



**UNSW
CRICKET CLUB**

University of NSW Cricket Club Life Member Profiles.

Geoff Garland



Player 1978



2022

Roles and Honours

Honorary Secretary	1963-65
Chairman of Selectors	1965-66
NSWCA and SCA Delegate	1973-79
UNSW Sports Association Delegate	1965-66

Team Captain	A Shires 1971-72, 1972-73, 1st Grade 1973-74, 3rd Grade 1976-77, 4th Grade 1979-80, 1980-81, 1981-82
Premiership Teams	A Shires 1964-65, 1965-66, 1970-71, 1971-72
UNSW Sports Recognition Award	1978
Ted Davis Player of the Year	1969-70, 1970-71, 1972-73
Barr-Turn Trophy	1969-70

Individual Profile

Where were you born and where did you grow up?

Born Belmore 1941. Grew up in Punchbowl (26 years)

Where did you play your junior/local cricket or become interested in cricket?

Attended my first Test 1954-55, Sydney. Frank Tyson blew us away, except for Neil Harvey.

Played 2 years, 1958, 59 with school mates (CBHS Lewisham) with Croydon.

When and why did you become involved with UNSWCC?

Joined UNSWCC in 1960.

Left briefly to play with Sydney University (1967-68) in second grade and study in the United States.

Returned in 1970 to again play Shires and work for promotion to Grade competition. Many others more involved than me.

What did you like about UNSW Cricket?

Enjoyed great experiences and friendships, and some success. Enjoyed Intersarsity V Queensland, ACT, Western Australia, New England, Combined New Zealand Unis (1st encounter with John Rogers) that provided the chance to play against many interstate Sheffield Shield cricketers.

What is your Club nickname (Explain who gave it to you and why – if not obvious
Originally called “Judy” (no explanation required), then was christened G2 - G squared - (again no explanation required).

The Table above outlines some of your Club achievements, roles, and honours. Can you give us an insight into how you saw your contribution to UNSW Cricket, which do you consider the most important?

**Involved in club administration and lobbied for years for Grade status.
Worked with many others.**

What did it mean to you to be awarded life membership?

Proud to be awarded life membership and appointed A Shires captain in last 2 years of Shires.

What is your greatest memory or memories of UNSW Cricket?

My proudest moment was to lead UNSWCC in 1st grade v Balmain at the Village Green in September 1973. When we went to grade we were probably at our weakest for 10 years.

Played for our first 10 years in grade working my way down. Proud of our achievements.

Captained many lower grade sides and hope I supported many of our future players to come through the grades.

Played baseball (10 years) for UNSW when a winter sport.

In what profession or area of work are/were you mainly involved? What are your main interests outside cricket?

School teacher 1965-2004, with some breaks.

High School Principal 15 years (1989-2004)

Managed and coached schoolboy Rugby – NSW Combine High School, NSW All Schools. Served on Waratahs Board (4 years).

Coached and managed at Eastwood Rugby Club (and still there)

Where are you now?

Family – wife and four children, Michelle, Sean, Patrick and Matthew. All of them have done well.

Anything else you would like to add

Thinking of moving into a retirement village.

Playing Record

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Years Played		Grade			1973-1983				
		Shires			1960-1973				
BATTING									
Grade	Games	Inn.	NO	Total	Ave.	Highest	Caught	50's	100's
1	12	16	9	47	6.7	14	6		
2	24	24	10	162	11.6	26	10		
3	38	33	8	395	15.8	52	9	1	
4	70	79	10	1514	21.9	87	21	9	
5	3	4	2	38	19.0	3	1		
CS	2	2	0	15	7.5	14	1		
Shires	Unav.	115	46	1055	15.3	98	74		
Totals	149	273	85	3226	17.2	98	122	10	
BOWLING									
Grade	Games	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average	5WI	Best	
1	12	76	9	6	387	64.5			
2	24	222	47	37	778	21.0	1	5 for 16	
3	38	291	51	67	1046	15.6	3	5 for 11	
4	70	399	67	71	1398	19.7		4 for 24	
5	3	29	3	7	118	16.9	1	5 for 23	
CS	2	5	1	1	20	20.0			
Shires	Unav.	1366	266	408	4381	10.7		Unav.	
Totals	149	2388	444	597	8128	13.6	Unav.		



Circa 1978 – John Rogers, Unknown, Bob Bennett and Geoff Garland



1961 Intersivity squad for Queensland at Mascot Airport

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