

University of NSW Cricket Club Life Member Profiles.

Jock Martel





Roles and Honours

UNSW Blues Committee	1975-Now
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Team Captain	2nd Grade 1978-79, 1979-80, 1983-84, 1984-85, 4th Grade 1989-90, 1990-91, 1991-92,					
Premiership Teams	A Shires 1971-72, 1st Grade 1976-77, 2nd Grade 1977-78					
UNSW Sports Association Sportsman of the Year	1975 – Combined Universities Cricket and Rugby representative that season					
UNSW Sporting Blue	1974 (also Rugby Blue recipient)					
UNSW Sports Recognition Award	Life Member					
Captain John Morris Fielding Trophy	1971-72, 1972-73					
Australian University Cricket representative	1975 (v NZ in Adelaide), 1976 (v NZ in NZ)					
Sydney Cricket Association Cricket representative	1973-75					

Individual Profile

Where were you born and where did you grow up?

Junee Junee on land

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

I played very little until I came to Uni, mainly backyard cricket and as a 'fill in' for local bush teams. I was always interested in cricket, and would listen to tests on radio.

When and why did you become involved with UNSWCC?

I offered to play as a chance to meet others on arrival at Uni. At practice got selected for the second grade team, scored runs and then next week played first grade What did you like about UNSW Cricket?

The general friendliness and strong competitiveness to play to win, but with fun and good sportsmanship

What is your Club nickname (Explain who gave it to you and why - if not obvious

Jocko or Strapper

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?

Mainly I always enjoyed the company of those with whom I played.

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

Interestingly I was awarded it twice, but note club records for life membership aren't printed for a few years. I was given it first In late 70's, early 80's and given it again in 1999.

What is your greatest memory or memories of UNSW Cricket?

I think going interstate on old IV's and winning in Brisbane. Scoring 106 NO against 3 first class bowlers and Kerry O'Keeffe in my second first grade game; playing a "test match" in NZ for Australian Universities and top scoring and winning the game, with a tour average of 61.3. Generally meeting many club and opposition players.

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

GP, and supporting children's sport - I refereed senior water polo for many years

Where are you now?

Kogarah Bay Sydney

Anything else you would like to add

In relation to UNSW Sport in general, Doug Crawford, Ian Moutray and I spent from 1982 till 1986 formalising the first sports scholarship scheme in Australia. (We had to cross many hurdles as there was no such scheme in Australia). Later, called the Ben Lexcen Scholarship, commenced 1988, by giving our first scholarships. I have been on their Fund Raising, general and selection committees from 1988 till the UNSW morphed it into a new format for recognising sport students and their needs. Now run by the Uni with Helen Bryson's help. The advantage of this has been that both cricket and rugby have taken the blue print and can have tax deductible donations, thus supplementing their income.

In relation to the Cricket Club, I think playing lower grades with Darren Sue, Matt Sanders, Mike Gregg etc., who have given a lot back to the Cricket Club, is part of our legacy.

Playing Record

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Years Played			Grade			1973-1994				
			Shires			1968-1973				
BATTING										
Grade	Games	Inn.	NO	Total	Ave.	Highest	Caught	Stumpings	50's	100
1	70	89	3	1739	20.2	106	40		7	1
2	147	172	9	4106	25.2	109	77	1	22	2
3	14	17		595	35.0	95	3		4	
4	56	57	2	2097	38.1	212*	39	1	10	4
5	5	5	2	266	88.7	173	1		1	1
Shires	Unav.	52	9	1200	27.9	77			7	
Totals	292	402	25	10003	26.5	212*	160	2	51	8
BOWLING										
Grade	Games	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average	5WI	Best		
1	70	10.6	3	4	39	9.8		2 for 4		
2	147	98	12	21	349	16.6		4 for 11		
3	14	1		0	12					
4	56	9.2	0	0	46					
Shires		Unav.		Unav.	Unav.					
Totals		10.2	15	25	446	17.8		4 for 11		



UNSW Sports Association 50 years of service award 2021 – Jock at right, Doug Crawford on left

Intervarsity Champions 1973



Back Row: P James, J Barford, S Wiblin, ?, G Kirkwood, J Robson, S Tait, M Ray, C Brown

Front Row: R March, D Barbour, J Martel (c), C Chapman, P Gratten-Smith