

DAPTO CRICKET CLUB INC.
FROM 1857 TO CURRENT
A DOCUMENT TO BE ADDED TO EACH SEASON.



FOREWORD

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Welcome all to this Dapto Cricket Club's 150th anniversary season.

Where [have](#) the last 10 years gone? It seems like only yesterday when we all met at Dapto Leagues Club to reminisce about seasons past, to regale each other with stories of an innings that was [in all](#) honestly a very scratchy one of 10, but to only convince ourselves and others that it was actually a masterful innings of pure genius and imaginative stroke play. Most of all we were there to celebrate the first 140 years of cricket in Dapto.



Well, now here we are all 10 years down the track and we are doing it all again, but this time we are celebrating our 150th anniversary. What a magnificent achievement.

This year's booklet celebrates our history, whilst taking 150 years to create, has mostly been taken from the booklet released at our 140th celebrations, so it would be remiss of me not to take this opportunity to thank and congratulate the original contributors for all their hard work and time. They are Alan Hayes, Gordon Turner, David Fryer and the late Lisle House. To all these guys Dapto Cricket Club is profoundly indebted. Also, a big thanks to Ross Hawksworth for all his painstaking work in collecting and updating the club's statistics. I would also like to thank John Bown for his work in the sub - editing of the original book, and armed with the past 10 year's history, creating the finished product you have before you.

Many years of fun and friendships

Whilst this book tells us a lot about Dapto Cricket Club's statistical history, which is very important, it doesn't tell us about the friendships and camaraderie that has been created over the last 150 years.

It also doesn't tell us about some of the true characters of our club. People like Gordon Turner, who once parachuted into his own house warming party; Wayne Walters who one day at Figtree Oval purposely bowled wides so as to get a one armed umpire to signal wide only to be no-balled instead; and it doesn't tell us about the time John Gasparrini walked all the way off Figtree Oval after being dismissed during a seven – a - side tournament with his bat balanced on his nose to a standing ovation from a packed grandstand and hill area. It also doesn't mention the time two naked men and an escaped bear from Western Plains Zoo were seen walking into the Dapto Cricket Club team hotel in Dubbo.

So whilst Dapto Cricket Club has been a great sporting club over the last 150 years it has also been one that has brought together people and characters from all walks of life [from](#) in and around the Dapto area, and has given them the opportunity to not only enjoy their love of cricket but also the opportunity to form lifelong friendships and camaraderie.

So here's to not only the great history of Dapto Cricket Club, but also to the future of this proud club.

Dapto Cricket Club Team Of The Century

Criteria For Selection

Selection of the team took account of certain criteria. Unfortunately, due to the shortage of records relating to the earlier years it was necessary in some cases to make estimates or rely on recollection.

Included in the criteria were consideration and judgement of the following questions

1. Has the player either scored 1500 runs or taken 100 wickets in first grade for Dapto Cricket Club
2. Has the player played either 50 first grade games or five seasons of first grade with Dapto Cricket Club
3. Has the player achieved representative status at Illawarra, N.S.W Country, Sydney First Grade, First Class or International level
4. What was the players ability
5. Was the player a credit to the Dapto Cricket Club

The selection panel was Alan Hayes, Gordon Turner, Mick Carr, Mick Clark and Steve Davies.

(See team next page)

Committee Members also Honoured

The Dapto Cricket Club would also like to recognise outstanding and significant contributions to the successful running of the Club. Members who have held positions on the Club executive and chosen for such recognition are:

- John Swan
- Alan Hayes
- Bill Gunn
- Ian Sinclair
- Michael Carr
- Michael Clark
- Ross Hawksworth

THE TEAM

Coach	Colin Pitt
Captain	Colin Pitt
	Brian Brennan
	Stephen Davies
	Henry Longbottom
	Colin Pitt
	Bill Moffat
	Neal Schofield
	Ron Kerridge
	Bob Fox
	Trent Johnston
	Shannon O'Donnell
	Ray Morris
	Max Hurry

CRICKET IN DAPTO

The beginning 1853 to 1958

by Alan Hayes Life Member, Dapto Cricket Club

The early settlers brought cricket to the region and it played a very important social role in their lives. As large families were the order of the day, cricket was first played as a social game with married versus single men. Some matches had only five -a-side.

The topography of the Dapto valley: bounded on the North by the Farmborough Heights-Berkeley Range, Lake Illawarra in the East, Bong Bong Range in the West and Macquarie Rivulet to the South, resulted in a large fertile valley ideally suited for agriculture. Because of this, Dapto was settled faster than the narrow coastal strip to the North and led to Dapto becoming the founder of cricket in the Illawarra.

The Dapto area developed and subdivided into small localities namely: West Dapto, Avondale, Brownsville and Marshall Mount. From these communities cricket matches were arranged between localities and cricket began on a friendly game basis. At one time there were seven teams participating - playing during winter as well as summer.

On January, 10, 1857 a number of interested citizens and cricketers decided to form the Dapto Cricket Club, and called a meeting the following week to elect office bearers. The advertisement, which occurred in the Illawarra Mercury at the time, is shown below.

Dapto Cricket Club.
A MEETING of the above club will take place at the
Illawarra Hotel, Dapto, on SATURDAY next, at
two o'clock p.m., for the purposes of appointing Office
Bearers, and making Rules. All persons favorable are
most respectfully invited.

HENRY HARRIS,
Hon. Secretary, pro tem.

From this meeting the beginning of club cricket commenced in the Illawarra. Wollongong followed two weeks later (see advertisement) and decided to form the Illawarra Club.

To the Cricketers of Wollongong.

A MEETING will be held THIS EVENING at half past seven, at the FREEMASON'S HALL HOTEL for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of establishing A CRICKET CLUB. All persons desirous of promoting the practice of this popular and healthy amusement are respectfully invited to attend.

A report (as appeared in the Illawarra Mercury on the 20th April 1857) of the first interclub match in Illawarra is reproduced on the next page.

The following is a story related to me by a descendent. A team travelled to the foot of Bulli Mountain to play a side from Sydney with both teams travelling by horse and buggy. The local area team consisted of ten of the Brown Brothers and one Brother In Law named Brooks, all from Mount Brown. A bat 'was autographed' for the occasion and is still in the possession of a family member. The game being played in 1853.(update 18/9/96) The historic Brown Brothers Dapto Cricket Team.

Further research of the previous information reveals that the date 1853 is incorrect as I have located a photo of the Brown Brothers team that played W G Grace's Team at Bulli. The camera not having been invented until a later date 1853 must be regarded as incorrect. Also a family bible records reveal that some brothers were born in the 1850's (family information supplied by Trevor Brown, a grandson from Tuross Heads.)



Left to Right. Tom Musgrove, brother-in-law Edward, Bert, Jim, Fred, Tom, Will, Arthur, Alfred the brown brothers. Front Row Jim Cavell, George Wales, Albert Rixon, Unknown, Maybe Loveday.
Photo Courtesy of Allan Brown, Fred Browns Great Grandson

Many thanks to Trevor Brown for his wonderful help in locating this historic photo. The autographed bat has as yet not been located.

THE ILLAWARRA MERCURY, MONDAY, APRIL 20, 1857

THE CRICKET MATCH AT DAPTO.

On Monday last the first match this season between the Illawarra and Dapto Cricket Clubs was played at Dapto, in the paddock adjoining the Illawarra Hotel.

Considerable interest had been excited as to the result of the match, owing to its being the first between these clubs, and to the fact that many of the players, especially in the Illawarra Club, were new to the district. This interest would have been evinced by a larger attendance of spectators, had the weather been more propitious than it was. When had the day been favorable, the very heavy, recent rains have rendered the roads dangerous and difficult to travel over; this, of course, prevented many from a distance from attending. However, those who had the hardihood to "brave the dangers of the deep" - rats and quagmires of our treacherous roads were well rewarded for their daring.

The players of the Illawarra Club left the town in a body, and were fortunate enough to arrive in safety on the convincing ground shortly after ten o'clock. The Dapto players had all assembled, and shortly after the appointed time the wickets were pitched, the other preliminaries adjusted, and the players were ready to commence. No sooner were these matters thus far settled, than the heavy cloud, which had previously kept aloof, crept slowly down the mountain sides, settled in the valley, and soon opened their lead-colored bosoms, and gave forth as soaking a mist as any Soot could desire, or any comfort-loving Englishman dread. The players, however, were not daunted, and the choice of innings having fallen on the Illawarraites they sent the Daptonians to the stumps, gave them three hearty cheers, and the actual business commenced.

The first to take the bat were H. Harris and W. Brown to the bowling of Croft and Kettle. Both their wickets were lowered by Croft for 1 run which was got by Harris. Barrett and C. Hore took their places; the former lost his wicket by a ball from Kettle for 1 run, and the latter was bowled by Croft without adding to the score. Four wickets down for 2 runs. W. Harris and T. Nunan followed, and the former made a start, scored 7 in singles, and was then bowled out by Croft; Nunan scored 1, and was run out. Kettle had at this time added four to the score by wide-balls, owing to the bad state of the ground, and Murray took his place. Simpson and Rixon were the next to take the bat; the former by some fine and bold play scored 6, by two 3's and two singles, being the only player in the innings who succeeded in getting more than 1 for a hit; he was bowled out by Murray; Rixon was previously disposed of by Croft's bowling for 1. Eight wickets down for 17 runs. Kennedy was bowled by Murray without adding to the score, and Fry after scoring 1, was caught by Brown. A. Gillespie went in last, and carried his bat out without having a chance of distinguishing himself. There were 3 byes and 5 wide balls, which added to the 18 runs, made a total of 26 for the innings. In this innings 5 were bowled out by Croft, 2 by Murray, 1 by Kettle, and 1 run out.

The Illawarra club sent in G. Brown and P. Kelly to wield the willow first. The latter after scoring 1 was run out. The former, however, with steady play made a score of six, by two singles, a three (the only three made during the day) by a splendid hit to the leg, and a single; he was cleverly caught by Simpson on cover point. W. Croft, after a short stand, was dismissed by Barrett, tot 1, and Kettle was caught by Barrett after placing 3 to his name. Four wickets down for 11 runs. Murray then went in and after getting 1 run, was run out, his comrade, James Kixen, being caught by Fry to the leg, after scoring 1. Chilby and Devlin followed; the latter made a two and a single, and was bowled by Brown, and the former 1, and was caught by Brown. Kettle and Unthank then went to the wickets. Kettle was bowled by Brown after making 1, and was followed by Simpson, who was also bowled by Brown for 1, leaving Unthank to carry his bat out, without having added to the score. There was 1 bye and 1 wide ball, and 31 runs —total 23. Three of the players were bowled out by Brown, 1 by Barrett, 4 were caught, and 1 was run out.

After a short interval, during which luncheon was disposed of, the Dapto players sent in A. Gillespie and Henry Harris. Harris was soon disposed of by Murray who caught him out. His place was taken by Barrett who scored 3, and was declared out for having his leg before wicket. C. Hore followed and after making five by two twos and a single, was bowled out by Murray. Gillespie's wicket was brought down by Croft after he had scored 8, the highest score during the match, by two twos and four singles. W. Brown followed, added 5 to the score, and was then bowled out by Croft. Fry took his place, and after making 7 in singles, was bowled out by Murray. J. Nunan followed but was soon sent away by Croft for 0. A similar fate awaited J. Rixon. The bat was then taken by Kennedy who was caught by Kelly after making 3 singles. Simpson took his place, followed his example by making 3 singles, and was caught by Croft, leaving W. Harris to carry his bat out, with four singles and a two to his name. There were 4 byes and 1 wide ball, and 40 runs scored this innings—total 45, leaving the Illawarra Club, 49 to get to win. In this innings Croft bowled out 4, Murray 2, 3 were caught, and 1 had his leg before wicket.

The Illawarra Club then went into the wickets having 49 runs to get, and, considering that that was a greater number than had been obtained by either side in any of the previous innings', their prospect of winning was a poor one. In addition to this the ground, bad at first, had, of course, not been improved by the previous playing. Kelly and Croft were the first sent in; the former, after making a single, was caught by the long stop Nunan, and the latter by Simpson, after scoring a two and 2 singles. Kettle had taken the place of Kelly, and was caught out by John Nixon long-field-on. Brown, followed, made 3 singles, and was then caught by H. Harris. Murray took his bat, but was sent away by a ball from Barrett without adding to the score. Devlin then went in, made 3 singles, and was bowled by Brown. Keefe followed, and, after making a single, was caught by Kennedy. Chilby took the bat, held it while he scored 1, and was then caught by Barrett. James Rixon then went in, and, after scoring 0, was bowled out by Barrett. Us-thank and Sampson were now in possession of the wickets, and the game was closed by Unitland being given out for having his leg before wicket. Being a total of 13 runs for the innings, which, added to the total of the first innings, made a grand total of 36, against 71 made by the Dapto Club, leaving a majority of 35 in their favor. 2 were bowled out by Barrett, 1 by Brown, 1 leg before wicket, and 6 were caught out.

Thus was the game brought to a close, and we are happy to say, without any disagreeable incidents or interruptions, except from the weather. We will briefly allude to the principal features in the circumstances attendant on this match, as regards the ground, and the play on both sides, at the wicket and in the field. First, as to the ground, we must certainly say it was totally unfit for the purpose, and to this more than anything else, must be attributed the smallness of the score on both sides. Immediately where the wickets were pitched, the ground had not been prepared in any way; the grass was long, strong, and tufty, and the ground was very uneven, thus rendering the course of the ball very uncertain, and of course to the detriment of the batter who was thus deceived in his playing to the ball. In the field the effect of these drawbacks was shown by the impossibility to send the ball along the ground; the consequence of this was, that the batters were induced to "slug" and thus rise the ball, which led to many of them,—especially of the Illawarra Club who were unused to the ground,—being caught, as will be seen on reference to our remarks above and the score below. Towards the close of the match, to use the language of one of the players, the ground in the vicinity of the wicket was like a stock-yard for mud and roughness. This, of course, was a great drawback to the bowler as well as the batter, especially those who endeavoured to bowl swift. And now, as to the play, we feel bound to say we were agreeably surprised. The batting on the side of the winners was bold, but not finished, that is *artistic*, it may use the term; it was, however, far from mediocre in skill. Their bowling was neither good or effective; Brown was decidedly the most telling in his bowling, because more systematic; whereas that of Barrett was very variable, sometimes swift, and at other times of that description known in our younger days by the terms of "wobblers" and "crawlers"; however, by this style, he was managed to get at one or two wickets, which of course was his object. The fielding was admirable, and especially that of W. Brown, who, as wicket-keeper, when not bowling, elicited the praise of all on the ground. We must not omit to notice the back-stopping of Nupan; its character will be appreciated when we refer to the fact that he only allowed 1 by to be obtained during the whole of the match. All parties on the winning side had the advantage of playing on their own ground, which fact must not be overlooked in estimating the result. On the side of the losers we remarked, more especially, the batting of Brown, Croft, and Kettle, but the long grass and the unevenness of the ground told materially against their style, which is of that description known as "fine play." This remark will apply to most of the players on the losing side. The bowling of Croft was allowed by all parties, to be unexceptionable; it was effective in taking wickets and in preventing scoring, and was remarkable for its regularity of style. Kettle, a swift round-armed bowler, was completely puzzled by the ground it being so very different to what he had been used to; he could not keep his feet, and therefore to throw the ball with precision was impossible, this accounts for the wide balls whilst he bowled. Murray was more effective than Kettle, whom he succeeded, but was far from perfect, owing in a great measure to the ground, which told against him almost as much as Kettle. The fielding was fully equal, if not superior to that of their opponents, especially the wicket-keeping of Kettle.

and the play of Keefe and J. Rixon, in the vicinity of the wicket, and of Brown as long-stop, though the latter was evidently disconcerted by the roughness of the ground; besides it must be borne in mind that the bowling on the side of the losers was much swifter than that on the other.

The following is the score:—

DAPTO CLUB.	
First Innings.	Second Innings.
A. Gillespie, not out	0
J. Keanehy, b. by Murray	0
R. Simpkins, b. by Murray	0
J. Barrett, b. by Kettle	6
J. Harris, b. by Croft	1
F. Harris, b. by Croft	7
F. Fry, a. by Brown	1
J. Keanehy, b. by Croft	1
R. Brown, run out	0
J. Nunan, run out	0
J. Hore, b. by Croft	0
Byes	3
Wide balls	5
Total	25

Total, both innings 36
The Depto Club thus winning by 25 runs.

About six o'clock the players, umpires, scores, and a number of their friends, dined together at the Illawarra Hotel, Dapto. Host Brown's capabilities as a provider of the good things of the table are too well-known to require mention; we would merely say that his fully sustained his well-earned reputation in this respect on this occasion. Mr. William Brown, of the Dapto Cricket Club, presided in the chair, and Mr. T. Garrett as Vice-Chairman. After the dinner had been disposed of, the Chairman proposed the usual loyal toasts which were drank as Briton's always drink them, and then proposed "Success to the Illawarra Cricket Club," which was received by the Daptonians in the most hearty manner. The Vice-Chairman briefly responded, and concluded his remarks by proposing "Success to the Dapto Cricket Club" which was received in a similar manner to the former. Other toasts and several songs followed, and the company separated as they met, in good friendship and good humor with one another.

It was arranged that the return match should be played in Wollongong on Monday, the 4th proximo.

We have been thus lengthy in our remarks and precise in giving particulars of this event because we conceive that the cultivation of this amusement is advantageous to those who participate in it, and therefore ought to be encouraged by us to the utmost of our ability. We shall heartily welcome and endeavor to promote the institution of Cricket Clubs in every town, village, and hamlet throughout this district, and we conceive we cannot better encourage this than by giving "full, true, and particular" accounts of their proceedings.

THE ILLAWARRA MERCURY, MONDAY, MAY 11, 1857

THE RETURN MATCH BETWEEN THE ILLAWARRA AND DAPTO CRICKET CLUBS.

This event, "big with interest" to the cricketers, and many others of this district, came off, according to arrangement, on Monday last, in Wollongong, on the ground of the Illawarra Club. A more favorable day for both players and spectators could not possibly have been had. The attendance of spectators was not numerous until towards the latter part of the day, when there were upwards of two hundred present, and all evinced a great interest in the progress of the game.

The choice of innings fell to the Illawarra players, and they sent there competitors to the wicket first. We have not space to particularize the playing as on the occasion of the former match, but will confine ourselves to noticing the prominent features of each innings. In this inning the batting of Harris and Brown deserved particular mention, not merely because they added most to the score, but on account of the superior play by which they obtained their runs. The bowling of Croft was far from equal to that which he displayed on the former match, but Murray was as much superior. The fielding was not so good as it ought to have been by a long way; there was a want of unity in the players which renders skill as nothing in a few. The back stopping was inferior, as will be seen by the score, the byes numbering 16. The total runs obtained in this innings was 79. Murray bowled 4 out, Croft 2, 2 were run out, and 2 caught.

The Illawarras then took the bat. The scoring was not so generally spread over the eleven as in their opponents' innings, five of the players going out without adding anything to the score, and of these were some of their best men. However, others were more fortunate; Devlin succeeded in scoring 17 by some steady, but bold play; Kelly, 11, Mitchell 10, and Smith 8. The bowling of both Barrett and Brown was quite up to their former efforts. The fielding, in this innings, was much superior to that of their opponents, but the back stopping was not so good as at Dapto. The total notches this innings was 58, 21 below the score of the Dapto Club. Barrett bowled 5 out, Brown 4, and 1 was run out.

After a short interval devoted to the refreshing of the inner man, the Daptonians went in for the second time. This was a first-rate innings, the play being very spirited from the commencement to the end. Barrett made a stand and by excellent play made a score of 30; Simpson and Kennedy 13 each, and Nunan 8. Croft relinquished the ball to Wright, and shortly after Murray retired in favor of Rixon. The fielding partook of the same character as that in the first innings. The total number of runs obtained in this innings was 100, of which 13 were byes, thus leaving the Illawarra players, the large score of 122 to get to win. Murray

bowled 3 out, Croft 1, Wright 2, and Rixon 1; 1 was run out and 1 caught.

Notwithstanding the great number of runs they had to get, the Illawarras went in with good spirits and apparently determined to win if possible. The field were on their mettle, too, and as watchful and wary as cats, at the commencement of the innings. The beginning, however, was not encouraging to the Illawarra players; the two highest scorers of the first innings being put out for 5 runs. A change for the better was soon made by Croft, who seemed determined to make up for his deficiency in the first innings and in bowling, by his batting in this. By cool, scientific, and judicious play, he ran up the enormous score of 57, seeing several wickets down, all with runs, before his stumps were lowered. Mitchell rattled away in rare style and scored 19, and Rixon 17. The field seemed confused and disordered, and several runs were obtained for overthrows. The bowling, however, continued good, and a wicket after wicket fell towards the close of the game, the excitement became intense amongst both the fielders, players, and spectators. The last man went in and there was one notch to be obtained, it was got, and thus the game was won, contrary to the expectations of all, by the Illawarra Cricket Club. The total runs obtained in this innings was 123, of which 7 were byes and 5 overthrows. Four were bowled out by Barrett, 3 by Brown, 2 were caught, and 2 carried their bats out.

ILLAWARRA CLUB.

First Innings.

Croft, 1, b. by Barrett	...	...	...	1
P. Kelly, 23 3 1 1, b. by Barrett	...	...	11	
M. Devlin, 1 2 2 1 3 2 2 3 1, b. by Brown	...	...	17	
M. Murray, 0, b. by Barrett	...	...	0	
J. Unthank, 0, b. by Brown	...	...	0	
J. Keefe, 3, not out	...	...	3	
W. Wright, 0, b. by Barrett	...	...	0	
Jas. Rixon, 0, run out	...	...	0	
T. Chilby, 0, b. by Brown	...	...	0	
H. Mitchell, 1 1 2 2 1 1, b. by Brown	...	...	10	
G. Smith, 2 4 2, b. by Barrett	...	...	8	
Byes, 1 1 1 1 3 1	...	...	8	
Total	...	...	79	

Second Innings.

Croft, 1 1 1 1 2 2 3 1 3 1 1 4 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 1 3 1 1 1 3 1	...	57		
1 1 4 1 1 1 1 1 2 1, b. by Brown	...	2		
P. Kelly, 2, b. by Barrett	...	3		
M. Devlin, 1 2, b. by Brown	...	1		
M. Murray, 1, not out	...	0		
J. Keefe, 0, b. by Brown	...	0		
J. Unthank, 1, b. by Barrett	...	1		
W. Wright, 3 3, b. by Barrett	...	6		
Jas. Rixon, 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 3 1 2, c. by Simpson	...	17		
T. Chilby, 1, not out	...	1		
H. Mitchell, 1 2 3 1 1 1 2 2 1 2 1 1, b. by Barrett	...	10		
G. Smith, 2 2, c. by Barrett	...	4		
Byes, 5 1 1 1 2 1 1	...	12		
Total	...	123		
Grand Total	...	123		

DAPTO CLUB.

First Innings.

A. Gillespie, 1 1 1 1 1, b. by Croft	...	6		
R. Kennedy, 1, not out	...	1		
J. Barrett, 1 1 1 3, run out	...	6		
H. Harris, 1 2 1 2 1 1 1 2 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 1, b. by	...			
Murray	...	23		
W. Harris, 0, run out	...	0		
W. Fry, 2 2 1, c. by Croft	...	7		
J. Rixon, 1 1 2 1, b. by Murray	...	6		
W. Brown, 1 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1, b. by Murray	...	12		
T. Nunan, 0, b. by Croft	...	0		
C. Hore, 1, c. by Keefe	...	1		
R. Simpson, 1, b. by Murray	...	1		
Byes, 2 1 1 2 1 2 2 1 2 1	...	16		
Total	...	79		

Second Innings.

A. Gillespie, 0, b. by Wright	...	0		
R. Kennedy, 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 2 1, run out	...	13		
J. Barrett, 2 3 2 1 3 1 1 2 1 2 2 3 1 1 2, b. by Wright	...	30		
H. Harris, 1 2 1, b. by Murray	...	4		
W. Harris, 1 2 1 1 1, not out	...	6		
W. Fry, 1 3 2, b. by Murray	...	7		
W. Brown, 1, b. by Murray	...	1		
T. Nunan, 2 1 2 1 1, c. by Murray	...	8		
C. Hore, 2 2, b. by Croft	...	4		
R. Simpson, 3 2 1 3 4 1, b. by Rixon	...	14		
Byes, 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 1	...	23		
Total	...	100		
Grand Total	...	179		

In the evening the players and their friends dined together at Mr. S. W. Makin's Inn, Wollongong. Mr. T. Garrett presided, and Mr. G. W. Brown acted as Vice Chairman. After the dinner, which was of a substantial and suitable character, had been vigorously dealt with, the usual loyal and patriotic toasts were disposed of, together with others appropriate to the occasion. The most perfect cordiality and good feeling prevailed throughout the whole proceedings, and the company parted well satisfied, on all hands, with the events of the day.

The conquering match will be played on the Monday following the Queen's Birthday.

The 1858 Season:

January 4 th 1858

Two matches played Dapto versus Wollongong. Wollongong winning both. No need for the third match.

CRICKET.

A game of the above exciting and good old English game came off on Friday last (New Year's Day), between eleven of the Wollongong and the same number of the Dapto Cricket Clubs. It will be remembered that last season there were three matches played between the same clubs, and that two of these were won by the Daptonians. The Wollongongites, therefore, challenged the others to a game this season, as much to have a pleasant meeting as to have satisfaction for their former defeats. And, as will be seen by the score, they had satisfaction to their hearts' content. After some little delay caused by the pitching of the stumps, &c., the Umpires tossed for choice of innings, the Dapto Umpire proving the winner. The Wollongong men were accordingly sent in first.

The following is the Score :-

WOLLONGONG CLUB.

FIRST INNINGS.

James Rixon, b. by Brown	0
Fred. Chiby, b. by Brown	20
W. Croft, b. by Brown	12
H. Mitchell, b. by Barrett	8
M. Devlin, c. by Kennedy, b. by Brown	17
Peter Kelly, not out	88
S. Tilman, b. by Barrett	0
M. Murray, b. by Barrett	9
Wm. Wright, b. by Barrett	8
Chas. Hardy, b. by Barrett	2
John Keek, b. by Barrett	10
Byes	17
Total	136

DAPTO CLUB.

FIRST INNINGS.

Joseph Barrett, b. by Croft	0
Henry Harris, c. by Croft, b. by Devlin	0
W. Brown, b. by Croft	0
Thomas Nunan, b. by Devlin	1
John Boyce, b. by Croft	0
William Harris, run out	4
Richard Kennedy, a. by Murray, b. by Devlin	0
John Simpson, b. by Croft	8
William Fry, j.u., c. by J. Keek, b. by Devlin	32
Robert Simpson, c. by Devlin, b. by Croft	0
William Simpson, not out	0
Byes 8, wide ball (by Devlin) 1	0
Total	84

There being 102 notches in favor of the Wollongong men, it was deemed only right that the Daptonians should "follow their innings." They made no objection, and, as soon as a luncheon was disposed of, resumed the play, and scored as follows:—

DAPTO'S SECOND INNINGS.

Henry Harris, b. by Devlin	0
John Boyce, b. by Devlin	6
W. Brown, b. by Croft	2
Joseph Barrett, c. by Croft, b. by Croft	16
Robert Simpson, b. by Croft	8
Richard Kennedy, b. by Croft	0
W. Fry, b. by Croft	4
W. Harris, c. by Devlin, b. by Croft	0
Thomas Nunan, b. by Devlin	8
John Simpson, not out	1
William Simpson, b. by Croft	0
Byes	5

Total ... 40

Making a grand total of 74. Thus leaving the Wollongong Club winners (with a whole innings to spare) by 62.

We cannot pretend to assign the reason of the great difference between the result of this and the results of the former matches. The Daptonians attribute their defeat, in a great measure, to want of practice. For our own part, we must say that the play on the Wollongong side throughout this match was infinitely superior to any we have seen before at their hands. And we cannot help believing that the change in the result is principally attributable to that fact—and not to want of practice on either side, for one is nearly as useful in that respect as the other. Be that as it may, the difference between the scores was very great. It is but just that we should here remark that the Dapto men proved themselves first-rate losers; and we never yet witnessed anything go off more pleasantly, and, at the same time, so quietly. After all was over, the men of both clubs retired to host G. W. Brown's, to partake of a very nice little "spread," ordered by the Daptonians, and try to arrange when the return match should come off. No arrangement, however, could be arrived at, as the matter was left in the hands of the Dapto players. The Wollongong Club then gathered together in front of the Illawarra Hotel, and after receiving three hearty cheers from the Dapto men started for their homes.

1859 Cricket clubs started to be formed throughout the area and by 1859-60 season six clubs were in existence. These being Wollongong, Illawarra, Wollongong Union, Figtree, Bulli, Charcoal (Unanderra) and Dapto.

Dapto played Berrima on 3 January 1859 at Berrima and the result is as follows:
Dapto Total 115 (Simpson 47 not out), Berrima 107. Dapto won by 8 runs.

Dapto played Wollongong Union on 17 March 1859. Wollongong Union first Innings 45 runs and second 20 runs, total 65 runs. Dapto first Innings 20 and second 20 runs, total 40 runs. Highest score Simpson 6.

In the following years all matches were not reported, but Dapto and all clubs played friendly matches whenever weather and road conditions allowed.

1862 Cricketer's scorebook. M Mahon of George Street published a scoring book which shows considerable improvement on the former scoring papers, not the least its decreased size together with the greater distinctness with which the batting and bowling analysis are shown. (Mercury 17/1/1862)

1866 On the 24/4/1866 West Dapto School played Charcoal School on a site in a field near the Dapto Flour Mill. Highest scorer for West Dapto was B Marshall (24 runs) and best bowler for West Dapto was W. Moon (5 wickets). Dapto scored 98 runs in the first innings.

Charcoal scored 5 and 41 in their turn at batting. West Dapto won by an innings and 48 runs. Mr William Brown (who in the past was the captain of the Illawarra Cricket Club) of West Horsley was the umpire for the West Dapto team. At the end of the match Charcoal presented a new bat to the victors.

Return match

First innings West Dapto 32 and second innings 18, total 50 first innings Charcoal 33 and second innings 23, total 56. Won by Charcoal by 6 runs.

1875 December 10th Dapto Club married members played the single members at Dapto. Single first innings 48 and second innings 70, total 118. Married first innings 101 and second innings 48, total 149.

1876 January 7th Dapto versus Albion Park at Albion Park. Dapto first innings 75 and second innings 26, total 101 Albion Park first innings 59 and second innings 41, total 100. Win to Dapto by one run. Highest score Longbottom of Albion Park. March 10 th Dapto School versus Wollongong. Dapto won. Highest score Marshall of Dapto - no other details.

1883 Dapto Cricket Club played Cambridge Cricket Club at Brownsville on Boxing Day.

1884 Dapto Cricket Club played Kangaloon on New Year's Day.

1885 In December Dapto Cricket Club played Wollongong Borough Cricket Club in a match towards the Wiley Trophy. C Dawes bowled 2 for 27 off 78 balls and was 10 not out in the second innings. Dapto winning.

1886 Dawes was again selected to represent Dapto Cricket Club for the Wiley Trophy.

1887 Dapto Cricket Club played Bulli Cricket Club in January.
Dapto Cricket Club played Borough Cricket Club in March.

1892 August 1892 saw the start of a new era in Dapto. The old club had fallen by the wayside and movement was a foot to resuscitate it. A meeting was called late in August at Reeds Hotel when a group of members were elected to a working committee. The opening match of the Dapto Cricket Club took place on their new wicket on a Saturday afternoon in October 1892. Dapto Cricket Club's home ground was located on the eastern side of the Princes Highway on a paddock behind Reeds Hotel opposite Cleveland Road. The match was arranged between the married club members and the single members. In December, Dapto Cricket Club played the Lily White Cricket Club.

1893 In January Dapto Cricket Club again played Lily White Cricket Club. The match resulted in a win to Dapto Cricket Club 104 to 101. The following Saturday Dapto Cricket Club played Robertson. Win to Daptonians. Dapto played Thirroul at Brownsville 11/03/1893. No result.

Early Closing played Dapto April 1893. Report as follows.

CRICKET.

EARLY-CLOSING C.C. V. DAPTO C.C.

A match between teams representing the above clubs was played at Wollongong yesterday, and resulted in a victory for the home team by 5 wickets and 55 runs. The visitors went first to the wickets, and were all disposed of for the miserable total of 32 runs, Evans being the only batsman who managed to get into double figures. Richards was at the wickets for a long time, but the result of his innings was only 4 runs. The Early-closing representatives succeeded in scoring 87 for 5 wickets. Doyle played a dashing game for 42 (not out), and Hemmington (23) also shaped well. Following are the scores:

DAPTO.		
Lyons, b Doyle	...	0
Evans, b W. Wiseman	...	12
Richards, not out	...	4
Hemmington, b Doyle	...	3
F. Brown, b W. Wiseman	...	0
Leaper, b W. Wiseman	...	4
Waples, b Wiseman	...	0
Harvey, b Doyle	...	0
Swan, c and b W. Wiseman	...	3
Atkinson, b W. Wiseman	...	4
A. Brown, b W. Wiseman	...	0
Sundries	...	2
Total	...	32

EARLY-CLOSING.		
Doyle, not out	...	42
Hewlett, b Lyons	...	23
Stanbridge, b Lyons	...	3
M'Namee, l.b w., b Lyons	...	0
Treloar, b R. Minott	...	1
O'Neil, c A. Brown, b Lyons	...	8
Mackel, not out	...	6
Byes	...	4
Total—for 5 wickets	...	87

W. Wiseman took 7 wickets for 13 runs, and Doyle 8 wickets for 17 runs.

The First Annual Meeting Of The New Dapto Cricket Club Was On 3/08/1893 With T J Swan In The Chair. He Was Not Elected To An Executive Position For The Ensuing Year.

CRICKET NOTES.

Cricket clubs everywhere are getting into readiness for the coming season, and soon the oval will give way to the sphere.

The following officers have been appointed in connection with the Bulli Cricket Club:—Patron, Mr. Woodward; president, Mr. T. Farrell; vice-presidents, Mr. C. Dinning and the Rev. H. W. Taylor; secretary, Mr. A. G. Chapman; treasurer, Mr. W. Wade; committee, Messrs. C. Jones, C. Veigal, B. Wade, and officers, three to form a quorum; selection committee, Messrs. A. G. Chapman, W. Wade and C. Jones; representatives to the association, Messrs. A. G. Chapman and W. Wade.

The Bulli Cricket Club is never short of trophies, and in the respect is envied by all the other district clubs. For the coming season, trophies have been allotted as follows:—Medal by Mr. Heal.—For highest batting average. Winner must play half the number of matches played; in odd numbers either to count. Medal by Mr. Chapman.—For bowling. Winner to bowl half number of highest number of balls bowled. Bat by Mr. T. Farrell.—To go to highest aggregate. No limit to number of trophies to be won by one player.

The members of the Keira Cricket Club intend holding a social shortly.

A concert in aid of the funds of the Early-closing Club is to be held in the Church-street Hall on September 7th. The performers will include vocalists from Nowra, Kiama, Sydney, and other places, and it is expected the programme will be a first-class one.

To be a candidate for office in a cricket club no special qualifications are necessary. In this a cricket club resembles all other

institutions. The election to an office is always competitive, and if the club be a flourishing one excitement and party feeling run very high when an election is on. The position of secretary is the goal of a cricketer's ambition, and to fill the position properly it is necessary for the candidate to at all times command an abundance of Christian fortitude, and a bullet-proof sort of protection guarding his personal feelings. A treasurer does not require to possess so many brilliant attributes. His business is to keep the word "surplus" clear and distinct on his balance sheet, so that it can be read with pleasure at the end of the season. Cricketers are as honest as the sun, and acquire many friends and supporters, as evidenced at any cricketers' meeting by the number of small accounts which are generally passed for payment when funds are available. The funds, however, are very seldom available. Cricketers are also very kind and contribute to those who hold menial positions, such as the umpire and scorer, for instance. When on active duty these gentlemen are frequently abused and their veracity often questioned, but we have known successful batsmen and bowlers to treat them well and patronise them liberally. The office of umpire is a very honorable one, and no aspirant has, as yet, been able to hold it for any lengthy period. The season is generally brought to a close by the holding of a convivial meeting, at which the batsmen and bowlers taffy each other, and remunerate the officers in something like the following words:—“Mish Shairman (hic) I have much pleasure in proposing the health of our officers. Praps they have not been all we could desire as officers, and have made many mistakes, and have differed from us often; still (hic), their 'health.'”

In October 1893 Dapto played the juniors and were defeated 95 to 45 (The juniors of those days were under 21).

On 4/11/1893 Dapto met Mount Keira. Mount Keira 7 for 106. Dapto replied 7 for 58. Draw. Dapto also played Wollongong in November and Bulli in December. Then in November 1893 Dapto played Illawarra Juniors at Dapto at Baxter's Paddock. Juniors won 95 to Dapto 44. And on November 23rd Dapto played Early Closing who scored 4 for 98 to Dapto's 30.

1893 Cont:-

On December 21 1893 Dapto again met Early Closing. The match was once again played at Baxter's Paddock with Early Closing winning by 19 runs.

1894 A well attended annual meeting of the Dapto Cricket Club was held in the Old Presbyterian Church on 17th September. J T Swan occupying the chair. John Swan was elected to the selection committee and to a group to frame by laws to include provisions for the supply of luncheons for teams from long distances. The necessity for a committee to look after the tools was also formed.

Dapto Cricket Club played the Sherbrooke Club at Dapto.

Occasionally cricket matches were arranged with other than the regular members. One such game was on 29/12/1894 when the Country Milk Co played the Fresh Food and Ice Co. Country Milk 102 defeated Fresh Food 20 and 52.

Then on 24th October 1894 Dapto met Wollongong Juniors. For Dapto, Lyons, Swan, Remington, Quinn, Lindsay and Evans were all dismissed without scoring. Dapto totalled 45 runs and Juniors scored 95 runs.

1895 Dapto played Brownsburg in January. Brownsburg won on first innings by 48 runs with a score of 90 against Dapto 48 and 56. Brownsburg also played Helensburgh in February.

The Dapto and Brownsburg Clubs met on 13/04/1895. The result was a win for Dapto. Brownsburg was not in luck as just after their innings started a smart shower fell making the ground so wet that it was almost impossible to field and the ball so greasy that several very easy catches were missed. Dapto won 72 to 38.

Brownsburg again played Dapto in December at Dapto with the former scoring 3/102 to Dapto's 99.

Within four years of the "**resuscitation**" of the Dapto Cricket Club there was a new recreation ground in Dapto at Reed Park on Bong Bong Road. The first match played there was January 1897 when the Dapto and Brownsburg Clubs met. Brownsburg was soundly beaten 78 to 20.

In the Illawarra Mercury of 16/11/1897 there was a report on how incensed the Dapto Public School boys had become over false reports of their cricket matches having twice this season been published by their opponents. The latest occasion, Tuesday 9/11/1897 when they played Unanderra School. They won easily but at the conclusion of the game the Unanderra scoring book could not be found for comparison. Five members of the team requested the newspaper to state that they are willing to play the same eleven which Unanderra put in the field on Tuesday for a new bat and ball. The game to be arranged to be played on Reed Park on any Saturday or holiday which will not interfere with previous engagements of either club.

Brownsburg Cricket Club changed its name in 1898 to be known as Lake Illawarra Cricket Club.

1897 Cont:-

Dapto played Lake Illawarra in November 1898 at Reed Park. Lake Illawarra won 91 to 17. Dapto did better a week later against the West Sydney side. Dapto 76 and 94, West Sydney 52 and 6 for 63. Dapto again played Lake Illawarra 19/11/1898. Dapto losing 38 to 49.

1899 The annual meeting of Dapto Cricket Club was held at Curry's Hotel on Wednesday 30/8/1899. At this meeting John, Les and Harold Swan (three of the same family) were enrolled and Les was presented with a bat for best fielding performances of the previous season.

1899 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER, 2 1899.

CRICKET CLUB.

The Dapto Cricket Club held its annual meeting at Curry's Hotel on Wednesday evening. There was a good attendance, and, judging by the enthusiasm noticeable, there is no doubt that efforts will be made to bring the club to the fore this season. There were present:—Messrs. W. H. Kelly (b.o.s.s.), R. Morris, D. Chies, C. Jones, J. Heininger, L. Swan, W. Campbell, W. Rook, P. J. Curry (chairman), F. Brown, J. Piper, D. Copas, H. Swan, J. Holmes and Hanan. The balance-sheet showed a debit balance of 13s 8d. The names of Messrs. D. Copas, F. Brown, F. Brown, Hanan, D. Rook, Campbell, P. J. Curry, L. Swan, Geo. Oyston, J. Heininger, H. Swan, R. Morris, O. J. Jones, J. Balines, A. Campbell, E. Campbell, T. O'Brien, J. P. Swan, Burgess and several other enthusiastic cricketers were banded in for enrolment as members. The annual subscription was fixed at 5s. The election of officers resulted as follows:—Patron, Mr. E. A. Weinberg; president, Mr. A. J. Skarratt; vice-presidents, Messrs. R. Curry, W. Beach, J. Reid, W. S. Thompson and A. B. Chippindall; secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. Kelly. The following were elected to act as a working committee for the season:—Messrs. D. Copas, C. J. Jones, W. Rook, J. Holmes, and W. H. Kelly. A selection committee, consisting of J. Heininger, P. J. Curry, W. Rook, R. Morris and F. Brown, was also elected. A discussion took place as to which cricket ground should be used during the ensuing season. Mr. F. Brown said there were two wickets, one belonging to the Illawarra Harbour Company, the other being the property of the public; the former they would be in danger of losing at any time by sale or lease, and the latter they could claim a right to play on at any time. Mr. P. J. Curry doubted the possibility of the wicket on Reid Park being playable this season, and he favored the Lakelands ground. If it were sold or leased they could fall back on Reid Park. Mr. W. H. Kelly regretted that, after the trustees of Reid Park had endeavored to improve the

ground, they were obliged to find another; but, as the majority of players were inclined to favor the Lakelands wicket and Mr. Chippindall had kindly consented to its use subject to a right to evict should any purchaser or tenant object, he moved:—“That the Lakelands wicket be played on during the ensuing season.” This was seconded by Mr. Heininger and carried. At this stage of the proceedings, a feeling of liberality having inspired several members, the following trophies were promised:—Mr. P. J. Curry, gold Maltese cross for best batting average for two-thirds of the matches played during the season; Mr. J. Heininger, a cricket ball with winner's name on a shield, for best bowling average in first six matches; Mr. J. Heininger, half-a-guinea for best batting average in first six matches; Mr. L. Swan, a guinea bat if best fielding point throughout the season; Mr. D. Copas, half-a-guinea for highest individual score. Mr. J. Heininger moved, Mr. D. Rook seconded, and it was carried:—“That no one be allowed to play in any match until his subscription be paid.” It having been decided that a social be held, the following were appointed a committee to arrange it:—Messrs. C. J. Jones, J. Heininger, P. J. Curry, W. Rook, L. Swan, J. Holmes, and D. Copas (secretary). It was resolved that monthly meetings be held on the first Wednesday in each month. The following were elected practice captains:—Messrs. J. Heininger, F. Brown, and D. Copas. Mr. E. Armstrong was elected official scorer for the season. Mr. P. J. Curry moved a vote of thanks to the secretary (Mr. W. H. Kelly) for the excellent way in which he had attended to the duties of his office. This was carried by acclamation, and the meeting terminated.

The W Beach referred to in the above report is Bill Beach, a world champion sculler, and The Illawarra Harbour Company also referred to was the old smelting works in Kanahooka Road.

The first match of the season was played on 8 Hour Day (October 1899). Dapto having an easy win over a team from Leichhardt. The visitors scoring 71 and 75 and Dapto scoring 124 and 8 for 57. The next match was against Albion Park at Dapto and resulted in a draw. A cricket match between teams representing Avondale and Dapto Fresh Food and Ice Factories was played at Dapto on Wednesday 18/10/1899. An exciting game resulting in a win for Dapto- 76 and 7 for 67 versus 60 and 4 for 80.

THE 1900's

1900 On September 19th the third annual social of the Dapto Cricket Club was held at the agriculture hall. Tickets were three shillings (30 cents) a double and two shillings (20 cents) a single.

Cricket in Dapto changed dramatically in the late 1890-1900 era largely due to the railway having been completed enabling the club easy access to compete against Sydney teams thus upgrading the standard of play. Also, there were better playing fields and wickets. The

improved wickets were no longer treacherous wet or dry. They were originally cleared by hoe in a paddock of stubble and to score more than 0 was quite an achievement .

We also saw the introduction of competition cricket in the Illawarra, which included Albion Park and Shellharbour areas.

The next upgrade of wickets occurred when they were constructed of clay obtained from the large termite mounds found on the slopes of the escarpment (still to be found today). The clay was crushed then watered and rolled. Many hours of rolling was required in preparing a wicket suitable to play on. Next was half strips of concrete trowelled to form a glazed finish and this was followed by the import of Jute or Choir Matting. The improved batting surfaces resulted in higher scores by the batsmen.

In comparing scores of the early players to those in later years spare a thought to consider the circumstances the games were played under. There were only three Dapto batsmen to score more than 50 during the period from 1857 to 1905. In 1857, Croft scored 57, which consisted of 25 singles, 6 twos, 4 threes and 2 boundaries. In 1905 Swan scored 57, and in the same match Thomas scored the first century of 100 runs.

1901 Dapto Cricket Club continued to play social-friendly matches travelling to Berrima, Kiama, Bulli etc. No spectacular performances. Most discussion amongst cricket club members was the increase in the price of bread which was raised to 3 pence (2 cents) per loaf.

1902 Notice To Cricket Teams

A meeting will be held on Saturday April 12 1902 for the purpose of forming a South Coast Cricket Association for next season. All clubs from Helensburgh to Nowra are requested to attend.

On October 11 Dapto played Enmore (Sydney) at Enmore. Dapto scoring 121 to Enmore's 47. Quinn of Dapto top scoring with 25.

The next match was against Keira.

Also in October Wollongong journeyed to Dapto to engage in a match with the local team. For Wollongong Dr H. Lee retired on 112. The score, Wollongong 225 to Dapto's 6 for 69.

On the 5th November Dapto again played Wollongong. Dapto 112 to Wollongong 2 for 141. J Pippen of Dapto scoring 42.

The following week Dapto played Woronora at Dapto. Again Dapto lost with 69 against 9 for 103. This was followed by another loss to Waverley Waratah (Sydney); Dapto 144 and Waverley 164.

ILLAWARRA DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB COMPETITION.

The Illawarra District O.C. Competition will be advanced another stage this afternoon. Mt. Keira plays Balgownie, on the latter's wicket ; Dapto meets Helensburgh, at Helensburgh ; and Woronora plays Corrimbal, at Corrimbal. The Wollongong Club has drawn the bye. In the opening matches both Mt. Keira and Balgownie showed good form, Mt. Keira drawing with Dapto, and Balgownie easily defeating Helensburgh. This afternoon, therefore, a good contest should ensue between them. On form, Dapto should prove too good for Helensburgh, although the latter may play better on their own ground than they did against Balgownie a fortnight ago. Corrimbal is as yet an unknown quantity, as they drew a bye in the first round. Woronora bowled and fielded well in their opening match with Wollongong, and though beaten in their first match, may be expected to do much better, and may be one of the leading clubs by the time the competition closes. Mt. Keira, Dapto, and Woronora should be returned winners in their respective matches, this afternoon. Competition points, at present are as follows :—Balgownie 4 points, Wollongong 4, Mt. Keira 2, Dapto 2, Helensburgh 0, Woronora 0, Corrimbal.

On November 29 1902 Dapto played Wollongong in a competition match losing 75 to Wollongong's 164.

Then on December 5th 1902 Dapto played Kiama at Church Point, Kiama. Kiama 183 (Rickman 59 retired), Dapto 55 (Harris 25 not out.).

On December 20th 1902 Dapto met Shellharbour. And a rain interrupted clash finished in a draw.

1903 Annual General Meeting

Dapto Cricket Club.

DAPTO, Thursday.

The annual general meeting of the Dapto Cricket Club was held at Milling's Central Hotel on Wednesday night last. The secretary's report for last season showed the club played ten matches, of which six were won, 3 drawn, and one lost. Very generous trophies, as inducement to players were given to the club, viz, Mr. Milling, one set of practice nets and one bat; Mr. Fairley, 10s 6d; Mr. T. Jones £1 1s; and Mr. W. Green, one pair of silver-mounted pipes. The following officers were then elected: J. T. Swan, re-elected president; vice-presidents, Messrs. Fairley, and Milling; general committee, Messrs. T. Jones, M. Campbell, W. Harris, Milling, J. S. Piper; Mr. D. Copas was re-elected secretary and treasurer; selection committee, Messrs. M. Campbell, W. Harris, H. Swan. The meeting then closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

Dapto did not enter the district competition.

Dapto played Woronora winning 101 to 33.

Dapto played Mount Ousley Smelting Works winning by 29 runs.

Dapto played Wollongong.

WOLLONGONG v. DAPTO.

The above named clubs met on the Green on Saturday last, with the result that Dapto were decisively beaten. Play commenced soon after noon, Dapto being assisted by J. Easterbrook, of Wollongong club, and Sullivan of Balmain. Dapto batted first, and were disposed of for 89. The chief scorers were Campbell 16, Quinn 15, Sullivan 12, W. Thomas 11. The bowling for Wollongong was done by Irwin 2 for 9, Boatson 1 for 4, Cummins 4 for 21, W. Prott, 3 for 35. The fielding points were awarded to Irwin and Cook. Wollongong responded with 222 runs. Archie Boatson delighted the spectators with a faultless innings of 116. He made 17 boundary hits, and his strokes were good all round the wicket. Richardson played well for 23, but was more cramped than usual. Irwin hit up 18 quickly and remained not out; Cook made 16 by good attractive cricket; Layton, who opened his innings, treated the onlookers to a display of smiting worthy of Jessop. On the first over, from five balls, he scored 14, but fell a victim to the last ball, which bowled him. Cupit also made double figures, his score being 13. Sullivan did good service for Dapto with the ball, five wickets going to his credit. Derrick accounted for three wickets and A. Thomas for one.

The following team will represent the Wollongong C.C. to-day (Wednesday), at 2 p.m., against a team of Sydney teachers: —Dr. Loo, Messrs. Boatson, Richardson, Cummins, Easterbrook, Layton, Biddle, C. Prott, W. Prott, Cupit, Cook; emergency, Thomas.

Dapto 28 November 1903. A great cricket match is exciting the interest of the local knights of the willow at present. The contestants are to be a team of farmers versus a town team. The losing team to stand the winners a dinner at night.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE DAPTO CRICKET CLUB WAS HELD 30/05/1904

President J T. Swan

Dapto played matches against the following:

Oct 22 v Albion Park

Nov 5 v Wollongong

Dec 10 v Wollongong

Dec 17 v Wollongong

March v Sydney Tramway- Tramway 176, Dapto 8 for 128

April 4 th at Jamberoo. Jamberoo batted first and made 53. Dapto responded with 221 - W E Thomas 64 and H. Swan 63.

April 9 th v Shellharbour Cricket Club, who scored 43 to Dapto's 130. H Swan 40

Sept v The Fisherman at Dapto- Dapto win 128 to 59.

Dec v Bulli with the result a win for Dapto by 70 runs. H. Swan took 4 for 13.

1905 January: Dapto played Flinders at Dapto winning 172 to Flinders 50.

Monday 31st January 1905 Dapto journeyed to Sydney to play against the Colonial Sugar Co Cricket Club. Owing to the sodden state of the turf wicket at Redfern Park play did not commence until 2.30 pm, and after two hours play heavy rain stopped further proceedings. Thomas, who was stumped for 100 and H Swan run out for 67 batted splendidly for Dapto's 8 for 229. This is the first century recorded by a Dapto batsman and what a whirlwind of a century it must have been. No record of how many 6's or 4's were hit.

The match between Dapto and Wollongong, played on the green on Saturday 4/03/1905 was an extremely good and interesting game. H. Swan played a very aggressive innings of 103. The final scores Dapto 7 dec. 193, Wollongong 3 for 84.

The first century took 48 years to achieve the second coming only five weeks afterwards.

The Annual Meeting was held on Wednesday evening in August 1905 with J T Swan presiding. There was a good attendance. Mr Thomas Milling was elected president. with Mr D Copas re-elected secretary. The Dapto team announced they would play an Albion Park XI in September.

The opening match for the season was played against Tramways (Sydney) Club in September. Dapto scored 160 to Tramways 131. Harold Swan top scored with 78 retired. Their next match was against Albion Park on Saturday 23 Sept 1905 resulting in a draw. In Dapto's innings of 6 for 155 H Swan again top scoring with 31. Albion Park 3 for 63.

On September 19 1905 the IDCA held its annual meeting. Clubs represented for the season were Dapto, Keira, Wollongong, Flinders, Woonona, Thirroul, Balgownie, Bulli Rosebuds and Albion Park. All competition matches to be played on handicap basis.

1905 Cont:-

On September 29 Dapto Cricket Club entered 1st and 2nd grade teams in the competition.

Then on Monday 2nd October The Sutton Forrest Cricket Club played Dapto at Dapto. The locals played badly being beaten 89 to 229. Their next competition match was against Keira played at Mount Keira on Saturday 7/10/1905. Mount Keira closed their innings at 8 for 169 and at the call of time Dapto was 6 for 89.

Then on October 21 1905 Dapto met Wollongong. Wollongong 7 for 175, Dapto 105. The powerful Dapto batting team fell easy victims to the Wollongong trundlers.

And on November 5th Dapto again met Wollongong. Wollongong defeated Dapto 77 to 108. On 4/11/1905 Dapto played Bulli Rosebuds. Dapto winning with 7 for 185 against Bulli Rosebuds 74.

The December 5th Flinders v Dapto match resulted in a draw.

The Dapto and Fisherman (Brownsville) Cricket Clubs played a game on Saturday 19/11/1905 resulting in a win for Dapto by 69 runs. Dapto 128 to 59.

Dapto played Bulli on 3/12/1905 winning 100 to Bulli 30. Thomas of Dapto played another fine innings of 55, while in bowling Swan and Brown were practically unplayable Swan 4-13, Brown 5 for 4.

1906 Saturday 31/1/1906 saw Keira v Dapto at Dapto in a competition match. Dapto won on their handicap by 2 wickets and 2 runs. The scores Dapto 91 with Bert Swan again top scorer with 33. Keira 107. The handicaps for the competition matches are not recorded for the 1905-1906 competition season.

Wollongong played Dapto 27/1/1906 on the Green. Wollongong 9 for 141 against Dapto's 100.

The Dapto v Woonona match resulted in a draw on 10/3/1906. Played at Dapto the home team totalled 6 for 140. (Bert Swan 40). Woonona 7 for 85.

Saturday 7/4/1906 saw Dapto defeat Albion Park 62 to 53 in a competition match, Bert Swan again scoring 32 of Dapto's 62.

The Dapto Cricket Club is reported as holding its Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 9/5/1906 at Milling's Hotel. This was not usual as the AGM was generally held in August or September. I think this should have been reported as the **Annual Presentation Night**. The record for the season was 25 matches played, 13 won, 5 lost and 7 drawn. Trophies were given by Messrs Milling (Batting average), J T. Swan (Bowling) L W Swan (Highest individual score) A Brown, W N Kelly (Batsman making 20 runs the most number of times).

Bert Swan provided highest individual score although Bert Swan's batting average of 24.1 was the record for the season. He was barred from receiving Mr Milling's trophy having won the Highest Score. The trophy was subsequently awarded to D. Copas.

The Dapto Cricket Club held a social on Monday 1/6/1906 at the Agricultural Hall. There were 80 present and a very enjoyable evening ensued.

On Friday Aug 24 1906 a meeting was held to consider the relaying of the wicket at Reed Park. Estimated cost was five pounds (10 dollars). Mrs Rankin offered to give two pounds. Mr A Quinn offered to do the work provided the Club found the material and Mr A. Brown offered to finance the project until the money was forthcoming to reimburse him - a social to be held the next week to raise funds towards the project.

AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD 13/9/1906

Mr J T. Swan was elected President
Mr E Quinn Secretary.

On August 28 1906 a small boy named Hayes had two fingers broken after being struck by a cricket ball at the Dapto Superior Public School (it was my **Dad A H**).

Then on 1/10/1906 Dapto had its first game of the season travelling to Sutton Forest. Dapto won 160 to 66.

At Albion Park 20/10/1906 a cricket match was played between Dapto and Albion Park Public schools. The game resulted in a draw, Dapto 71 and Albion Park 71. Maybe the schoolboys should have been asked to turn out for the Dapto V Albion Park competition game held 15/12/1906 when Albion Park overwhelmed Dapto 106 to 54. In the previous match to the one mentioned, the Dapto Ô Willow Wielders inflicted a big defeat on Wollongong. The score Dapto 103 to Wollongong 56.

1907 On 7/3/1907 Dapto journeyed to Shellharbour for a match- the first game played by them for six weeks.

Then on Saturday 20/4/1907 Dapto met Keira in the final match for the season. Match drawn, Dapto 147 to Keira 3 for 54.

There were eight teams in the 1906/07 competition, namely Dapto, Albion Park, Keira A, Keira B, Wollongong, Woonona, Bulli and Balgownie.

Competition points Albion Park 18, Keira 18, Wollongong 14, Dapto 12, Keira B 6, Bulli 6, Balgownie 0. Woonona 0.

The decision of the I.D.C.A. in deciding the composition of the finalists resulted in many letters of protest in similar terms to the following letter.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1910.

CRICKET.

(To the Editor.)

Sir.—As a reader of your valuable journal, and as a member of the Albion Park Cricket Club, I wish to enter my individual protest against the contemptible action of the Illawarra District Cricket Association in excluding the A.P. C.C. from the semi-final of the present competition. I have played competition cricket in different parts of the State for the past twelve years, and in every case where two or more teams tied for a place it has been the rule that those teams should play off for that place, and there is no obvious reason why that course should not have been followed in the present instance. But apart from that aspect of the question I do most emphatically protest against the insulting letter sent by the secretary of the I.D.C.A. in reply to a request sent by our secretary (as the result of a motion) asking for a meeting of delegates to re-consider their decision in excluding Albion Park from further taking part in the competition. Let me tell the secretary of the I.D.C.A. that our secretary (Mr. Woolley) is a gentleman, whose word is his bond, and he is not the "Ahanias" that the secretary of the asso-

ciation implies in his letter. Albion Park has not yet received any official notification of their exclusion from the semi-final, and no one knows that better than the secretary of the association. Of course I will not say that the other teams competing in the competition are afraid of Albion Park, but as the Scotchman would say, things look very "suspicious." Any way, I am prepared to put up a ten pound note to say that Albion Park can play and beat any team in the competition, with the exception, perhaps, of Dapto.

E. A. FOREMAN,
Albion Park, Jan. 24th.

"Not Out" writes—"I understand Corinal, Flinders and Albion Park Clubs tied with 12 points each for a place in the semi-final. The association adopted a peculiar system of deciding the matter by counting the aggregate of each club, the team scoring the highest aggregate to have preference. Consequently Corinal was given a place in the semi-final. Albion Park's request for a re-hearing was ignored. Albion Park received two forfeits, which prevented them from making a good aggregate, and for which they were not allowed. Corinal was given a handicap of - 10 runs per innings, but Albion Park beat them by over 70 runs. The system of taking the aggregate to decide a tie is as much out of place as a frying pan in a drawing-room, and was never previously known in the history of Australian cricket before. In places where a play-off could not be arranged, the averages, and not the aggregates, were taken to come to a just conclusion. I would also point out that Flinders Club was treated in the same shameful manner, and I am sorry I cannot take the matter up on their behalf. The action of the association has not helped to strengthen the good feelings which should exist amongst cricketers."

A "True" Sport.

1907 Cont:-

Keira subsequently won the competition.

A meeting was held of the Dapto Cricket Club on 23/8/1907 when Mr D. Copas was presented with the medal given by Mr J T Swan for the best bowling averages.

It was decided not to play competition cricket this season. This decision was later reversed as the newspapers have reports of various matches. Mr J T Swan was re-elected president.

On October 1, 1907 it was announced that seven teams are to contest the I.D.C.A. competition for 1907-08 season. The handicapper allotted Keira B 30 runs start for each game. The competition to be one round of seven matches.

A team was selected to play Wollongong in September. Result not reported. In October a team was selected to play Marylebone Cricket Club at Dapto on the holiday weekend.

5/10/1907 Dapto V Keira A at Keira. Dapto made 50 and Keira 1 for 20- the match to be concluded in two weeks time at Reed Park. Keira eventually won scoring 153 in their first innings and dismissing Dapto for 102 in their secondnd innnings. On the intervening Saturday Dapto played Flinders Cricket Club at Stuart Park, Dapto winning.

Nov 1907 Dapto played Surrey United (Sydney) in an all day match at Reed Park. . Scores, Dapto 146, United 248. On Saturday the town and country players of Dapto played a match at Reed Park, the result a win for Town 154 to 127.

An Illawarra team was to be chosen late in November 1907. Much interest was displayed by the district players and others to the make up of the team. The South Coast Times made up a list of those whom they considered should be included on form which included Swan of Dapto.

On Saturday 23-11-1907 Dapto journeyed to Jamberoo and played an all day match being defeated, the scores Dapto 164 to Jamberoo 235. A week later Dapto played Keira B at Reed Park. Dapto 208, Keira B 93 plus 30 run handicap.

The following match was against Corrimal at Reed Park, result not published. The I.D.C.A. competition concluded on April 19th 1908. Dapto did not make the semifinals- Bulli winning the competition.

The 1908 Annual General Meeting of the Dapto Cricket Club was held in September. Mr J T Swan in the chair. It was decided to affiliate with the Illawarra District Cricket Association and the membership fee fixed at 10 shillings (1 Dollar). Mr J T Swan re-elected president.

The **1908-09** season opened with Dapto at home to Keira A. Keira scored 140 and Dapto were 6 for 104 at stumps- the game was not completed and no reference could be found to the second day's play.

24-10-1908 Dapto v Shellharbour at Reed Park. Dapto batted first scoring 266, Swan 65. Shellharbour 1 for 50 at stumps.

21-11-1908 Wollongong V Dapto on the Green at Wollongong .Wollongong scored 99, Dapto replied with 90.Then on 5-12-1908 Dapto V Wollongong at Reed Park, Wollongong 112 and Dapto 120.

12-12-1908 Dapto played Keira B with the home side scoring 130. Dapto were 4 for 175 at stumps. The match was to continue on the next day Saturday, but I don't have final figures.

1909 6-2-1909 Dapto V Bulli at Dapto, a win for Dapto.

27-3-1909 the Wollongong V Dapto competition match was played at Dapto over two Saturdays in March. The South Coast Times reported the match as follows.

SPORTING.

CRICKET.

Another interesting match took place in the Dapto Park on Wednesday afternoon last, between teams representing the ladies and gentlemen of Figtree, victory resting with the fair sex by the very narrow margin of one run. At the conclusion of the game the gentlemen entertained the ladies at tea on the green, finishing up with a very enjoyable dance in the Kille Club's Hall. Scores:—

LADIES.		GENTLEMEN.	
Miss G. Price	8	M. Campbell	1
A. Young	13	R. Barker	6
A. Burgess	20	O. Swan	6
R. Stone	4	D. M'Auliffe	0
M. Price	1	Y. Brown	16
S. Mareeau	0	J. Green	6
P. Benjamin	0	G. Murley	13
M. Mines	3	A. Swan	8
L. Benjamin	1	C. Lindsay	7
M. Malady	6	W. Bovard	1
G. Roberts	2	J. Raftery	0
Total	58	Total	57

In April 1909 Dapto played Keira A in the semi final of the I.D.C.A. competition at Figtree. Keira won the toss and sent Dapto in on a suspect wicket. Dapto all out 52. Keira responding with 122. Harold Swan bowled well for Dapto with 15 overs 5 maidens and taking 7 wickets. At stumps Dapto were 3 for 12 in their 2nd Innings. The match was to be concluded in two weeks time. Final details not published, but Dapto lost their first semi final in the season 1908-1909.

THE 1909 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WAS HELD IN JULY.

At this meeting fees for the ensuing season were fixed at 6 shillings (60 cents) 3 pence (2 cents) per match. Mr J T. Swan re-elected president. Bert Swan of the Dapto Club was winner of Mr Smiths (Bootmaker of Wollongong) trophy for the highest score in any match in Illawarra with a total of 142.

On 2-9-1909 Dapto commenced the season against Corrimbal at Reed Park. Corrimbal batted first and scored 82. Dapto replied with 5 for 213 at close of play. Bert Swan opened the batting and when dismissed had scored 103. The game was concluded the following Saturday. No report other than Dapto winning. Then on 16-10-1909 Dapto V Albion Park in their comp. Match. Dapto Batted first with Bert Swan 100 not out to give him centuries in two consecutive innings

CRICKET.

The competition match Albion Park v Dapto took place at Albion Park last Saturday, and resulted in a win for Dapto by 32 runs on the first innings after a very exciting match. The scores on the first day's play were Dapto 179, Albion Park three, wickets for 92 (Timbs 18, Mood 19, both not out). This total was brought up to 147, or 32 behind Dapto. Dapto then went in for a second innings, and notwithstanding the extraordinary long time taken by the visitors in getting to the wickets, they were disposed of in quick time for 53, which left Albion Park 86 to get to win within (according to the umpire's time) 35 minutes, but the boys they could do was 74 for the loss of two wickets, leaving 11 to get when the umpire called time. The match was then, of course, decided on the first innings. For Dapto B. Swan, Barber, Hegerty and Quinn batted and bowled well, and for Albion Park Timbs, Mood, Longbottom and Fleming batted well; while Graham, Matthie and Mood shared the bowling honors. Following were the scores:—

Dapto (1st Innings.)

B. Swan, not out	100
Hegerty, c Longbottom b Matthie	4
Barber, b Graham	27
Quinn, b Mood	0
H. Swan, c Matthie b Mood	2
M. Campbell, c Condon b Mood	13
Green, run out	0
Jolliffe, run out	0
E. Campbell, run out	0
O. Swan, c Raftery, b Graham	7
C. Lindsay, b Graham	1
Sundries	25
Total	179

2nd Innings.	
Swan, b Mood	6
Lindsay, b Mood	7
Green, b Graham	3
Hegerty, b Mood	10
Barber, b Matthie	4
Quinn, c Condon b Mood	18
M. Campbell, not out	9
Swan, b Matthie	0
Jolliffe, b Graham	0
Sundries	3
Total	53

Albion Park (1st Innings.)

Mathie, h.o.w., Swan	1
Zions, l.h.w., Swan	11
Timbs, b Barber	31
Mood, h.o.w., Swan	23
Graham, not out	1
Rutter, c and b Barber	7
Condon, b Quinn	0
Longbottom, b Quinn	26
Brown, run out	2
Flemming, h.o.w., Quinn	19
Woolley, b Quinn	0
Sundries	11
Total	142

Graham, st, Hegerty, b Barber	22
Flemming, c and, b Quinn	11
Brown, not out	13
Condon, not out	14
Sundries	14
Total for 2 wickets	73

The Jamberoo and Albion Park schools played a match last Saturday, which resulted in a win for the former by 42 runs, Jamberoo scoring 62 and 81, and Albion Park 59 and 46. Mick Walker, for Albion Park, scored 19 in each innings.

The following are picked to play against Corrimbal on Saturday next at Albion Park:—J. A. Raftery, 45; Longbottom, M. Brown, W. H. Mood, M. Matthie, W. Craig, S. Graham, W. Condon, E. Hughes, E. Foreman, T. Timbs, G. Woolley (12th), Bursill (13th).

30-10-1909 Dapto V Bulli competition match commenced at Reed Park. Dapto won toss and sent Bulli in to bat. Bulli quickly disposed of for 92 and at close of play Dapto was 1 for 153. Bert Swan 68, Hegarty not out 49, Quinn not out 26. In the concluding days play Quinn was out for, 54 and Harold Swan scored 39. Dapto total 340. Bulli 2nd Innings 65, an easy win for Dapto

Dec 1909 Wollongong V Dapto on the Green over two days. On the first day Wollongong made 206. Dapto were all out 197. Wollongong won on 1st Innings by 9 runs. Dapto and Keira met in the semifinal. Played over three days 22-1-1910 -5-2-1910 The scores were as follows:

Dapto 1st Innings 188 (B Swan 25, E Quinn 26). Dapto 2nd Innings 77. Keira 1st Innings 73 and 2nd Innings 223. (H Swan 5 for 34, Bert Swan 4 for 70) Keira won.

Season 1910-1911

Two matches were played at the beginning of the next season 1910-11 with Dapto V Wollongong on the Wollongong Green on Saturday 19-10-1911 and Bulli V Dapto the following Saturday. In the former Wollongong scored 145 1st Innings and 6/140 in their second. Dapto 1st innings 140, match drawn.

In the Dapto V Bulli match Dapto 1st innings 205 (E Quinn 31). Bulli 6 for 76. The match was to be concluded at a later date, but not reported.

On January 5-1911 Dapto V Wollongong in a return match.

Dapto was represented by the following, Rev O'Neill, W Watkins, R Morris, S Thompson, A Hickman, W Campbell, H Charlton, D Charlton, L Swan, E Quinn. Dapto 1st innings 241 (Hickman 69, Quinn 67). Wollongong 0-31 at stumps.

On January 10 1911 a Illawarra team was selected to play against a visiting **New Zealand** side to be played on the Wollongong Green. Two Dapto players were selected in the representative side namely W E Thomas and A Copas.

New Zealand 109 Illawarra 6 for 163.

Season 1911-1912

September 1 1911 the Annual General Meeting was held at Mr Maceaus Hotel. Mr J T. Swan presiding.

Election of officers.

President, Mr J T. Swan

Secretary. W. Campbell

It was decided to rejoin the I.D.C.A. competition.

September 23 1911 Dapto played a practice match against Albion Park. Dapto win with small scores the order of the day. No innings reached 100.

September 23-1911 the I.D.C.A. brought in handicaps this season. They were as follows - Wollongong scratch, Dapto 80 runs per innings, Bulli 80 runs per innings. Keira 130 runs per innings.

Four teams contested the competition with two rounds to be played.

Note: Wollongong will require over 200 runs per innings to have a chance.

Round 1 - Dapto V Keira. Dapto batted first scoring 98 + handicap of 80 - Total 178.

Keira scored 43 and handicap of 130 Total 173. Dapto a 1st innings win.

Nov 17 1911 Dapto V Wollongong, Wollongong scratch scored 217 and 9-173. Dapto scored 173 including handicap of 80. Win to Wollongong 1st innings by 44 runs.

Jan 9 1912 Wollongong V Dapto return, Wollongong 1st innings 243, Dapto 194 including 80 runs handicap, Wollongong by 49 runs.

Keira won the competition with the most number of points.

Season 1912-13

Eight teams entered the 1912-13 I.D.C.A. competition. The following are the teams and their handicaps:

Wollongong scratch, Keira 20 (110 penalty having won last season), Dapto 20, The Banks 35, Figtree 35, Flinders 50, Port Kembla 60, Excelsior 80.

The players nominated (registered) for Dapto were H Charlton, O Swan, L Swan, J Fitzgerald, S Thompson, W Thompson, E Quinn, W Wood, R Musgrove, D Macintosh, W Hegarty.

The **1912-13** competition commenced on October 15 1912 with Dapto V Figtree. Figtree 96 + handicap 35, total 131. Dapto 184 + handicap 20, total 204. Macintosh 35 and Hegarty were top scorers for Dapto.

Oct 24 1912 Dapto V Flinders. Flinders 47 and handicap of 50, total 97. Dapto 105 and handicap of 20, total 125. Bowling for Dapto, S Thompson 7-25

Nov 5 1912 Dapto V The Banks.

The Banks 141 and handicap of 35, total 176. Dapto 142 and handicap of 20 ,total 162.

Nov 29-1912 Dapto V Flinders. Dapto 187 plus handicap of 20, total 207. Flinders 22 and handicap of 50, total 72. Dapto winning by 135 runs with E Quinn scoring 111 for Dapto.

Dec 6 1912 Dapto V Wollongong.

Wollongong 65, handicap scratch, total 65.

Dapto 12 (lowest score by Dapto in its history) handicap 20, total 32. Dapto's highest scorer 2. Sundries top score with 5.

Feb 17-1913 Dapto V Port Kembla. Port Kembla 165 including handicap. Dapto 4-168 including handicap

Feb 26-1913 Dapto V Excelsior , Dapto win by 10 runs.

Competition points for the season 1912-13 were -

Keira 18, Wollongong 17, Dapto 15, Port Kembla 12, Figtree 9, The Banks 4, Excelsior and Flinders 3. Semi Finals Wollongong V Port Kembla and Dapto V Keira, Dapto lost on 1st innings. Wollongong winning the final.

Dapto were represented in the semi final by: S Thompson, G Timbs, R Musgrave, W Wood, E Quinn, D Macintosh, H Charlton, D Charlton, L Swan, M Hegarty and J Fitzgerald 12th man.

Season 1913-1914

On September 13th 1913 at the Annual Meeting of the I.D.C.A. it was decided that the southern boundary of Illawarra be fixed at Macquarie Rivulet.

The I.D.C.A. consisted of five teams only. Namely, Wollongong, Port Kembla, Excelsior, Figtree and Bulli. Dapto did not enter in 1st or 2nd grade.

1914-1915 to 1918-1919

Due to the heavy enlistments in the 1914-18 1st World War Dapto did not enter in the I.D.C.A. competition, but continued to play social matches both in the district and against Sydney teams.

In the **1915-16** season the I.D.C.A. decided to introduce 8 ball overs. It meant the saving of a half hours play in an afternoon. Five teams entered the competition, Keira, Port Kembla, Wollongong, Bulli and Excelsior.

It was also decided not to play junior competition as most young men (juniors were U/21) had enlisted or were enlisting.

Dapto did not play competition cricket until season 1919-20.

Season 1919-1920

Dapto Cricket Club held their annual general meeting September 12 1919 in The School of Arts.

Election of Officers

Patron	Mr J T Swan
President	Rev Godson
Secretary	R Bailey
Treasurer	W Arthur

The club decided to compete in 2nd grade as enlistments were no longer required, Clubs could register players confident they would fulfil their commitments.

Oct 17th Dapto's first game was against Thirroul. Thirroul 1st innings 289, Dapto 5-41 at stumps. (Swan 21). Final result not published.

Oct 31st Dapto V Tarrawanna at Dapto. Tarrawanna failed to turn up.

Then on November 2nd Dapto Cricket Club held a very successful concert in aid of the Club resulting in a handsome profit of 8 pounds (16 dollars).

Nov 7th Dapto V Woonona Baptists, No results reported

Nov 26th Dapto 7-39 V Corrimbal 167

Nov 28th Dapto 131 V Diggers 70. (Rev Godson Top scoring with 31).

In January 1920 two Dapto players were selected to represent the I.D.C.A. against Kiama District. W Arthur and H Charlton were selected.

Feb 6th Dapto 179 V Keira 4-59 at stumps.

Thirroul won the 1st Grade competition and Corrimbal the 2nd Grade.

On April 2nd E Quinn and L Swan were selected to represent Illawarra V Kiama District.

Season 1920-1921

In September 1920 the I.D.C.A. Annual General Meeting decided that cricket in the future would be played on a district basis instead of club cricket beginning this coming season, but players registered at present and up to the beginning of the competition may continue to play with their late clubs if they so desire. The districts to be as follows - Thirroul-Bulli, Woonona-Corral, Keira-Wollongong, Port-Kembla-Dapto-Albion Park. Until such time as Albion Park desires to enter a 1st side they may play with Dapto. The boundaries to be declared later

On September 17th 1920 the Annual General Meeting of the Dapto Cricket Club was held in The School of Arts with Rev Godson in the Chair.

Office Bearers Elected

Patron	J T Swan
President	Rev Godson
Vice Presidents	Numerous
Secretary	W Austin
Treasurer	W Arthur

Rev Godson and W Austin to be delegates to I.D.C.A. It was decided to play 2nd grade in the competition.

1st Round Dapto were defeated by Wollongong by 8 wickets.

2nd Round Dapto V Bulli - No result.

Nov 12th Corral defeated Dapto by 8 runs.

Points score to date:

Thirroul 12, Wollongong 10, Dapto 5, Bulli Woonona 4, Corral 4, Port Kembla 4, Diggers 4 and Methodists 0.

Nov 20th Port Kembla - Dapto dismissed Bulli - Woonona for 18 runs. (Brown 4-8, Musgrave 5/10).

Round 4 Dapto defeated Thirroul by 60 runs.

Round 5 Dapto received forfeit from Port

Round 6 Dapto defeated Corral by 34 runs on 1st Innings.

Points score to date Wollongong 26, Dapto 24, Thirroul 24, Corral 22

March 18th 1921 Dapto V Thirroul. Thirroul 57(W Arthur 7-27). Dapto 39 (W Arthur 18). Thirroul's win gives them the premiership.

Season 1921-1922

The Annual General Meeting was held September 9th 1921 at The School of Arts. Office bearers elected were-

President	J Swan
Secretary	R Hargrave
Treasurer	K Harvey.

Season 1921-22 I.D.C.A. competition. Six 1st grade- sides and ten 2nd graders. Namely Dapto-Keira-Mount Kembla-Thirroul-Port Kembla-Corrimal- Methodists-Bulli-Diggers-Flinders. On March 1921 Dapto will meet Wollongong in their deferred match of 26th Feb. Should Dapto win Thirroul they will be premiers on points. Final scores Dapto 128 and 74 defeated Wollongong 59 and 123. Bowling for Dapto W. Arthur 4-28 and 7-18, W Charlton 4-8.

March 10th 1922

Final points 2nd grade Competition

	PLAYED	WON	WON 1st	LOST	LOST 1st	POINTS
Bulli	9	7	-	1	1	29
O K Methodist	9	6	-	2	-	26
Dapto	9	6	1	2	-	25
Corrimal	9	5	1	3	-	23
Port Kembla	9	4	-	2	2	23

Corrimal defeated Port Kembla on averages. Leaving Bulli, O K Methodist, Dapto and Corrimal to contest finals.

Dapto Played Bulli defeating them 7 declared for 257. Bulli 147 and 5-47.

Dapto had to win outright to win the premiership. Final points for the season. Bulli 38- Dapto 32- Corrimal 31. O K Methodist 26. Bulli winners by 6 points.

Season 1922- 1923

On Friday September 18th 1922 Dapto seconds played Albion Park winning by 112 runs. W.Charlton scoring 55 runs retired and E Evans 35.

Dapto's registered players were V Beaton, W Charlton, W Brown, W Arthur, G Harvey, R House, R Fairley, F Meaney, P J Fields, L Evans, G Wood and W Clifford.

October 10th 1922 Dapto 9 for 385 V Flinders. Flinders forfeited on the second day.

October 27th Dapto 5-141 declared and 91 defeated Diggers 51 and 141 outright.

Feb 16th 1923 Dapto 7 for 309 (Fields 170, 8 sixes and 11 fours, House 52 not out) defeated Port Kembla 51.

Following are the averages for the undefeated 2nd grade team for the 1922-1923 batting. Winners of second grade competition and Mills Caps:

	Innings	Runs	Highest Score	Average
E L Evans	13	526	169	40.46
P J Fields	12	408	170	37.00
W Charlton	13	272	73	27.20
R Fairley	11	169	87	16.9
R House	11	116	52*	14.5
W Arthur	13	147	38	13.33
G Wood	12	37	36	12.5
G O'Keefe	2	11	6	11
W Brown	10	70	19	7.77
F Meaney	12	73	24	6.63
Cunningham	3	17	17	6.63
G Harvey	10	38	14	54.2
Bateson	8	26	6	4.3

FOLLOWING ARE THE BOWLING AVERAGES FOR THE 1922 1923 SEASON

PLAYER	WICKETS	RUNS	AVERAGE
P Fields	12	81	6.75
W Arthur	52	368	7.07
W Brown	18	159	8.83
E L Evans	28	252	9
W Charlton	12	138	11.05
G Wood	2	41	20.05

The Club scored 2108 runs for the loss of 113 wickets at an average of 18.65 as against their opponents 1183 runs for the loss of 138 at an average of 8.57 runs per wicket. Catches Evans 10, Meaney 6, Charlton 6, Brown 5, Wood 5, Field 3, O'Keefe 3, Fairley 1. P J Fields won the Jas McDonald trophy for highest score with 170 runs. W Arthur most wickets, 52, and E L Evans for most catches were presented with trophies by J McPhail.

SEASON 1923-1924

The Annual General Meeting was held on September 10th 1923. Office bearers elected were:

Patron	C E Hoskins
President	J T Swan
Secretary	E L Evans
Treasurer	G Harvey
Selectors:	W Arthur, G Harvey, E L Evans
I.D.C.A. delegates	Musgrave, Evans and Brown. P J Fields was elected captain for season 1923/24.

At the I.D.C.A. Annual Meeting the Secretary reported that the outlook for the forthcoming season looks very bright. Bulli - Woonona will in all probability drop from 1st grade and Dapto is expected to come from 2nd grade where they had an undefeated record with maximum points scored last season to fill the vacancy.

On October 5th the season opened in unpleasant weather conditions. Dapto the only team to lead on the first innings- Bulli scoring 78 to Dapto's 3-91.

Sept 21st Dapto and Port Kembla met for their first game of the season with Port Kembla winning on 1st innings 92 to 87. Dr Kirkwood captain of Port and W Arthur captain of Dapto. Oct 19th Dapto 185 defeated Bulli 78 and 5/85, winning on 1st innings.

Oct 26th Port Kembla 1st grade premiers and Dapto 2nd grade premiers met at Reed Park in a challenge match and at the end of the first day's play Dapto had the match well in hand. Port 1st innings 81 and Dapto 5-153. Final result Dapto 167 and 7/89, Port Kembla 81 and 8-186. Dapto win on 1st innings by 86 runs. For Dapto W. Charlton 36 runs and E L Evans 5 wickets for 49.

The November 23 match Dapto V Wollongong played at Dapto was productive of a very interesting game. Dapto won the toss and batted first compiling 143 in 2.5 hours. Fields top scored for the home side with 29 made in very good style while Arthur scored an aggressive 28. Wollongong batted poorly only Hegarty remaining not out displaying any confidence against Arthur. Wollongong finished the first day 71 runs behind with one wicket in hand.

The second day's play saw Wollongong take their score to 150- Mintorn, the last bat in scoring 30 and Hegarty being 70 not out .

Dec 14th 1923 Keira 191 defeated Dapto 77 and 97.

Jan 4th 1924 Thirroul 141 and 5-106 defeated Dapto 42 and 5/136 on 1st innings.

Jan 18th Nth Wollongong 191 defeated Dapto 9-93 on 1st innings.

Feb 22nd Dapto 113 defeated Bulli 110 by 3 runs on 1st innings.

March 23rd Dapto V Nth Wollongong match abandoned.

Wollongong and Port Kembla, the two teams leading on points, played the final with Port Kembla winning the premiership.

Season 1924 - 1925

The Annual General Meeting of the Dapto Cricket Club saw the following office bearers elected:

Patron Mr C E Hoskins,

President R Anderson,

Secretary E L Evans,

Treasurer Arthur,

I.D.C.A. delegates Anderson-Evans-Walker.

Trophies donated by Mr Jas McDonald for season 1923-1924 were won by P J Fields for the highest batting aggregate with W.Arthur the bowler taking the most wickets.

At the I.D.C.A. delegate meeting Shellharbour was admitted to the 2nd grade competition providing they travel to their opponents ground, both days if necessary. Albion Park withdrew their 2nd grade team and Tarrawanna 2nd's were allowed to enter two teams. The decision of the delegates at the previous meeting in allowing Kiama and Jamberoo to enter 1st grade was endorsed.

Snippet: While playing against White Sox team at Centennial Park Bill Mintorn, popular I.D.C.A. Secretary, received a nasty blow to the face knocking out several teeth.

On October 10th 1924 the competition commenced with nine teams in 1st grade. They were Wollongong, Kiama, Port Kembla, Keira, Bulli-Woonona, Jamberoo, Albion Park, Dapto and North Wollongong.

2nd Grade comprised 12 teams, but Dapto did not enter.

It was decided for 1st grade one complete round would be played at the conclusion of which the team at the bottom of the list would drop out. The first four teams to be grouped in one division and the second four in another. One round would be played and points to continue. At the conclusion of this second round the team leading on points to be premiers.

The October 17th Dapto V Albion Park match was a surprise result. Dapto 175 and 88 were defeated 145 and 8-129 by Albion Park. At the end of round one Dapto had only one point and being the ninth team dropped out of the competition. Wollongong winning the competition.

Season 1925-1926

Hockey.

The following will represent the North Wollongong Hockey Club, against the Dapto team, at Wollongong Showground to-morrow (Saturday), at 2.30 p.m.:—H. Hamilton, M. Fitzgerald, T. Britton, B. Smith, W. Britton, R. Graham, T. Gordon, E. Williams, E. Markham, M. Wall, K. Byron; emergencies, L. Willett, D. Fletcher, E. Cram.

Cricket.

DAPTO CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Dapto Cricket Club was held in the Dapto School of Arts on Monday night last, when there was a good attendance.

The president (Mr. Anderson) occupied the chair, and the following report was read by the Secretary (Mr. Lindsay Evans):—

The season, whilst unsuccessful as far as competitions were concerned, was one which has seen several of the younger players in town blossom out, and we wish them every success, whether join with us, or form a club of their own. Although the club was in a helpless position, in the competition table, we fulfilled every engagement, with the exception of one, which fell on a very wet day, and another which fell on the local show date. In consequence we had two forfeits registered against us. Our financial position is about scratch, and we must pay considerable attention to this during the coming season. Several subscriptions were unpaid during the last season, and had it not been for the splendid support of some of our citizens, the Club would have been in a serious position.

The report also dealt with the question of material, etc., and the secretary intimated that it would be desirable to elect a secretary resident of the town.

Mr. Anderson was re-elected president, and last year's vice-presidents were also re-elected. Mr. Sid Walker was elected secretary and treasurer. Messrs. Lindsay Evans and S. Walker were elected delegates to the L.D.S.A.

There was considerable enthusiasm shown in the proceedings and it is probable that 1st and 2nd grade teams will be selected.

Wollongong A.L.P.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Wollongong Labour League was held last Monday evening at the Miners' Hall, when there was a fair attendance.

Dapto Citizens' Association.

MOVEMENT AGAINST ABOLITION OF WARDS.

A meeting of the Dapto and District Citizens' Association was held in the School of Arts on Monday night last, and representatives from all parts of the district were present to report progress in connection with the canvas being made with the object of defeating the proposed movement to abolish the Ward System in Central Illawarra.

The chairman (Mr. Anderson) occupied the chair and the various members reported that a large number of residents of the district had been interviewed, and there was every prospect of a large poll on September 5th in favour of continuing the Ward system as at present, and against the abolition.

It was decided to communicate with the ratepayers on the roll who are absent from the district, asking them, where possible, to come and record their vote.

A further meeting is to be held in connection with the matter on September 2nd, at 7.30 p.m.

Dapto S. of A.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

A special meeting of the Committee of the Dapto School of Arts was held last Friday night. The president (Mr. J. G. Fairley) occupied the chair.

The Returning Officer, Mr. A. G. Martin, was present, and declared the following Committee elected for the year 1925/1926:—

J. G. Fairley, W. J. Smith, J. E. Duley, W. H. Arthur, T. M. Paull, J. H. Lindsay, Jas. Stevenson, R. Anderson, N. James, C. Pettigrew, R. Brown, A. Jackson, W. Waples.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Returning Officer.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, J. G. Fairley; vice-presidents, W. J. Smith, J. E. Duley; Secretary, W. H. Arthur; Treasurer, T. M. Paull; Games Committee, W. J. Smith, N. James, C. Pettigrew; Library Committee, R. Anderson, T. M. Paull, R. Brown; Building Committee, J. G. Fairley, W. J. Smith, J. E. Duley.

It was decided to hold a juvenile ball on September 18th, and the matter of arranging a suitable date for a big ball to wind up the season was left in the hands of Messrs. Arthur, Duley and Paull.

A GREAT NATIONAL INDUSTRY.
MAKING A MILLION TREES GROW
WHERE NONE GREW BEFORE.
CHEAP PAPER FOR
AUSTRALASIA.

(By William James Keyes, B.A.).

For many years earnest men interested in the development of Australasia's natural resources, have been seriously troubled by the denuding of great forest areas. Fire has ravaged vast tracts of land covered with magnificent timber, but the axe and saw of exploiters, careless of forest value have committed depredations not less serious than that of the fire fiend.

It has become increasingly necessary, within the past decade, on the part of different governments, to formulate stringent laws for the protection of valuable timber. Australasia, at this early stage of its nationhood, faced with a problem that became evident in America. In the latter country, owing to the activity of ruthless timber-getters, who have cut down millions of acres of lumber, the state has been faced with the possibility of what might be called timber famine. Timber, of every species is required by the whole world for building purposes just as much as ever it was, but with modern commercial complications, we see the anomaly of Australia and New Zealand actually importing timbers from America which can be grown quite as well in Australasia.

We also observe another anomaly wherein huge supplies of paper are imported from America and Norway, Sweden. Australasian newspaper owners have, for many years, had to huge freights besides being often waiting for a product which easily be made in this hemisphere.

After all the talk and reports conferences, it has remained for progressive New Zealand companies to co-operate with important Australian financial interests, to formula a scheme whereby forests can be protected, the nation's timber supply assured for centuries, and a world industry—that of papermaking—on a sound basis, with Australia's capital, directed by Australian brains.

The New Zealand Perpetual Foundation Ltd. has secured a vast area of able timber country along the Waikato River, between Putaruru and Taupo (New Zealand), and it is intention of this company to plant additional softwood forests. The land the area defined is ideally suited for the production of exotic pines, as *Pinus Insignis*, otherwise known as *Pinus Radiata* or the *Remar Pine*, which is very suitable for chemical pulping. Experts guarantee great commercial return within a decade of the planting of such species and the company, supported by financial power, has all the means at its disposal of backing up such an enterprise.

It is one thing, however, to conceive an idea, and another to carry it out, but New Zealand's enterprise appears, from latest reports, to have surmounted all the initial

1925-1926 Cont:-

Snippet: January 20th 1925 the girls of Port Kembla have taken to cricket and make their first appearance at practice on Wednesday evening. The girls are coached by Gus Bland and their outstanding players are Miss Bland and D Lennon.

Dapto entered both 1st and 2nd grade.

On Friday October 9th 1925 Dapto Cricket Club held a Euchre Party to raise funds. Then on Friday October 16th Dapto 1st grade played Port Kembla being thrashed 324 to 29. Dapto 1st's forfeited all remaining games of the season.

2nd Grade fared a little better winning five and losing six.. Flinders defeating Tarrawanna for the premiership.

1926-1927 season

The Dapto Cricket Club has promise of good support this season. The club has entered in the second grade competition and practice has already commenced. No report of elected office bearers, there being 18 teams in the second grade with the teams being divided into two divisions - North and South.

Dapto to contest the southern division.

On 16th September 1926 rumour has it that Dapto has visions of the glory that surrounded it in the past and that one or more old war horse will stage a comeback (was not to be AH).

Dapto not having entered a 1st grade side P J Fields played with Port Kembla. Other Dapto players who had been graded 1st grade did not participate with another club, probably because of transport difficulties.

Dapto finished 2nd last in the competition, winning only two games from 11.

Keira Juniors Premiers.

Season 1927-1928

The Dapto Cricket Club reorganised at a meeting in the School Of Arts and it was decided to play a first grade team in the I.D.C.A. competition in the forthcoming season. Five teams entered the competition which included Dapto.

First match Dapto V Wollongong. Wollongong 215, Dapto 79 and 85. Defeated outright.

Second match Dapto 113 and 79 lost to Port Kembla 200 and 9-96 dec.

3rd Match Dapto Bye.

4th Match Dapto V Wollongong Veterans. Wollongong Veterans 218 1st innings. Dapto 131 1st innings. Wollongong Veterans 5-103 2nd innings and Dapto 118 2nd innings. Defeated outright.

In January 1928 Dapto withdrew from competition. The old club players who were sidelined the previous season did not return as was expected, which left the club very weak.

Season 1928-1929

At the I.D.C.A. Annual Meeting Dapto was the subject of a scathing report from the secretary Mr Musgrave. Dapto's delegate said he wished to apologise to the many teams who were

disappointed in their games due to Dapto's withdrawal. Four teams only contested the 1st grade competition. 14 teams entered 2nd grade. Dapto did not contest either grade. Mr Musgrave attended I.D.C.A. delegate meetings, so club was still active.

CRICKET

I.D.C.A.

ILLAWARRA AMBULANCE

ADDITIONS TO STAFF AND PLANT.

A special meeting of the Illawarra Ambulance was held at the Ambulance Station, Wollongong, on Wednesday night. Present: Messrs S. R. Musgrave (chair), Rudd, May, Bevan, W. E. Jones, Croft, and Roberts.

The chairman said the meeting had been called to consider the question of increasing the staff and ordering another ambulance, as the present staff was hard put to it to maintain the efficiency of the service.

Mr. W. Rudd proposed that two additional Bearers be appointed, but his motion was not seconded.

Mr. Bevan proposed that applications be invited from the Hon. Bearers for Bearer for the permanent staff.

Seconded by Mr. W. E. Jones and carried.

Mr. Rudd proposed that the Superintendent obtain prices of chassis from the various agents.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Croft and carried.

It was decided to appoint Messrs. Musgrave, Jones, Bevan and Rudd as a Committee to finalise the purchase of the Ambulance, and to ask Superintendent Dolan of Newcastle to supervise the construction of the New Ambulance by Gilbert Bros.

Entries for the season's competitions closed with four teams in first grade and fourteen in the second grade, and the drawings were made for two rounds of the first grade and one round each for the North and South Divisions of the second grade.

Play on December 15th (test match Saturday) and December 22nd (Xmas Saturday) has not been arranged for, as it was found that in the case of the first grade the competition (if run in four rounds) will conclude on 30th March, after allowing for the dates mentioned; and in the case of the second grade, which is to continue till 11 games have been played by the 16th March, in this case also allowing for the same recess.

There is ample time for the second grade final, and in case a final is necessary in the first grade it could be played in April.

The season should be a strenuous one for first graders and also Southern Division second graders, with an easier time for Northern Division second graders.

There will not be a bye in any section.

The Grading Committee met and decided not to grant registration to H. Hamilton (Albion Park) and N. Swan (Flinders) to play second grade, as applied for by the teams concerned.

GRAND BALL.

AT DAPTO.

The Annual Ball under the auspices of the Dapto A. & H. Society took place on Friday night last and was a huge success, financially and socially. The music was supplied by the Sylvan Orchestra, and Messrs P. J. Webb and J. H. Hayes were the Ms. C. The supper was provided by the wives of members of the committee, and, as usual, the secretary, Mr. Coghlan, had all the arrangements in perfect order.

Season 1929-1930

On September 13th the grading committee met to review the teams and players for season 1929-1930. Eight teams will be appointed to 1st grade, the balance to make up 2nd grade. Teams to select from were Thirroul- Bulli-Corrimal (2 teams)-Tarrawanna-North Wollongong-Wollongong- Waratahs-Public Works-Coniston(2 teams)-Keira-Unanderra-Port Kembla (2 teams)-Mount Kembla-Cordeaux-Dapto-Wollongong High School.

The grading committee to also work out handicaps.

The teams nominated to contest 1st grade were Thirroul-Port Kembla-Keira-Waratahs-Coniston-Public Works-Unanderra and Wollongong.

Dapto was placed into the 2nd grade competition and was considered to be one of best teams if the players registered turned out. Corrimal, who will have a lot of last year's 1st grade players, will also be a force to be reckoned with. Dapto played Corrimal in the first match and was defeated 84 to 63. Players representing Dapto were Hope-Anderson-Johanson-Fields-Swan-Arnold-Foran -Seldon-Haug-Walker and Clifford.

Nov 15th Wollongong High School 220 defeated Dapto 37

Dec 6th Thirroul 6-119 defeated Dapto 25 and 68.

Jan 31st Dapto recorded one of its lowest scores against Corrimal. **Dapto batsmen chalked up six 6 ducks. (See below).**

Jan 28th 1930 Dapto V Corrimal A

Dapto 1st innings.

Swan	0	W Noonan	run out	1	J Arnold	bowled	1
G Seldon	bowled 0	W Johanson	bowled	1	H Hope	bowled	9
W Walker	bowled 0	P J Fields	bowled	1	S Haug	not out	0
E Clifford	bowled 0	B Bowery	caught	0	Sundries		2
Total	15	Corrimal 153			Swan 3-29.		

Dapto did not qualify for the finals which was won by Wollongong High School.

Season 1930-1931

The Annual General Meeting saw the following officers elected:

Patron, Jas McDonald

President B Swan,

Sec/Treasurer G Seldon,

The following is an extract from The Illawarra Mercury

"At the Annual Meeting of the Dapto Cricket Club held on Thursday evening last, James Macdonald of West Dapto was elected Patron; Mr B Swan, President and Mr G Seldon, Secretary and Treasurer. The club commenced its year with a dearth of seasoned players and a team largely composed of juniors was recruited, and although it suffered continual defeats, with only odd victories to encourage the players the team, with good sportsmanship, met every encouragement, and with the coaching it received and the experience gained last season it is felt that in this season's competition, as the ranks of active players will be augmented by several additional players who will be joining up, that prospects will improve. Altogether a most optimistic view of the future marked the Annual Meeting. To assist the clubs finances it was proposed to hold an Old Time dance on September 18th"

Twenty teams entered 2nd grade and were graded into two divisions – South and North.

1930-1931 Continued

On October 17th 1930 Dapto, wooden spooners of last season, sprung a surprise as they easily defeated Port Kembla scoring 178 to Port Kembla's 105. Which brought the following comment: Dapto cricket enthusiasts are delighted with the fine opening performance of its 2nd grade team in the opening round. The players registered are J.Fields-S.Fields-W.Noonan-A.Bailey-D.Foran-H.Hope-G.Seldon-S.Walker-B.Swan-R.Failey-M.Seldon 12th man.

The next match was not so successful as Dapto 49 and 80 lost to Glebe 105 and 2-25 by eight wickets.

On December 5th 1930 Dapto had another win defeating Coniston 76 to 63 to win by 13 on the 1st innings. Seldon 3-9 and Noonan 4-17 did the damage.

Dec 19th Keira easily defeated Dapto.

Jan 31st Dapto could not muster a side. Cordeaux were allocated maximum points (due to show).

Jan 24th Dapto had difficulty in fielding a side against C I C. but managed a 1st innings win. C I C 66(Noonan and Swan 4 wickets each), Dapto 75 with Foran scoring 35. Feb 6th Port easily beat Dapto 225 to 128. From a promising start the team did not perform well finishing well down the points ladder.

Keira winners of competition.

Season 1931-1932

On August 21st 1931 the Annual General Meeting was held and adjourned to a later date. It appears the club was without funds to purchase essential equipment for the coming season and in the meantime a canvas would be made for donations, the result to determine the future of this year's activities. (This was the period when the depression was at its worst)

The AGM was reconvened. In September. The club received a new lease of life as funds were raised to enable it to compete in this year's competition. The election of officers resulted in the following positions:

Patron,	Mr Jas McDonald
President	Mr R Fairley,
Secretary	L Scott,
Treasurer	A. Bowery.

The members expressed their appreciation to those who contributed and so allowing the club to continue to function. Dapto entered 2nd grade and were graded in South Division.

Oct 9th 1931 Dapto 131 and 9-74 defeated Wollongong Welsh 76 and 124 by one wicket.

Oct 18th Coniston 276 and Dapto 8-38 stumps. 2nd days play Dapto 51 and 88. Coniston won by innings and 140 runs.

Nov 7th Albion Pk 120 V Dapto 16 and 73. This is the second lowest score ever for Dapto (see December 6th 1912 for a lower batting score).

Nov 14th Dapto 138 and 3-36 defeated Port Kembla 65 and 102. (Hope 3-21, Arnold 4-27).

Nov 23rd: The cricket match Dapto V Keira which began today proved to be one of the most interesting ever staged on the local ground. The batting of Keira was attractive in scoring 168, but so was the fielding of Dapto. With Dapto 3-92 at stumps the game was in a very interesting position. The game concluded on Sat 4th Dec. and was won by Dapto by 4 wickets and 32 runs on 1st innings.

Dapto 1st innings: Arnold 26, W. Hazelton 63, D Foran 4, Humphries 39, MacKen 60, Burling 30, Fields not out 14, Sundries 12. Total 6 wickets 206.

Dec 6th Central Illawarra 68 and Dapto 3-78. Final result Dapto win outright.

Jan 15th 1932 North Wollongong 1st innings 80. (S Fields 3-3, Seldon 1-6). North Wollongong 2nd innings 28.(Hope 2-7, Fields 2-6).

Dapto 1st innings 70 and 2nd 28. Lost by 9 runs.

In the remaining six matches Dapto won one only and did not qualify for the finals. Helensburgh defeated Keira to win the premiership.

Season 1932-1933

CRICKET.

A delegate meeting was held last Saturday night.

It was announced that there were 23 entries for the competitions, 8 first grade and 15 second.

The second grade will be run in 2 divisions, 8 in the north and 7 in the south.

Two complete rounds will be played in both grades.

The first grade will be conducted on the handicap basis, the teams being graded as follows: Waratah and Pt. Kembla scratch, Glebe, Thirroul and Keira 15 per cent., Unanderra 20 per cent. and Corrimal and Cordeaux 30 per cent.

The team leading on points at the conclusion of the comp. being declared premiers.

The second grade comp. will be off scratch, and the division winners will play off for premiership honours.

The north-south second grade game will be played on Anniversary Day, and the following were appointed Management and Selection Committees: South, Messrs. S. Gilroy H. Bird and H. Brennan; North, Messrs. B. Black, V. Williamson and Robinson (T.P.M.L.).

At a meeting of the Port Kembla Cricket Club, it was decided to allow unemployed members to pay their subscription by deferred payments. This can be arranged on application to the secretary, though those in a position to pay are asked not to impose on the arrangement. The first game of the season will be played next Sunday, when a Port team will play Wollongong-Glebe.

A working bee was held last Sunday, when there was a good roll-up of members. The football fence was pulled down and the wicket prepared. Two new mats have been purchased and arrived during the week.

The Coalition delegates reported that the name of their Club had been changed to Gladstone C.C., and will in future be known as such.

It was decided there be no capitalization or registration fees for this season.

The competitions commence on Saturday, September 24th, and will continue with only one interruption (Dec. 3rd, for 1st Test match), till 25th March. Also a complete round will be played on Eight Hour Day.

The Dapto Cricket Club held an old time dance on August 25th to raise funds which was a huge success as the profit will give the club a good start for the season in these hard times.

The Annual General Meeting was held in September; Election of Office Bearers.

Patron	Mr Jas McDonald,
President	P J Fields,
Secretary	L Evans,
Treasurer	R Crooks.

Players registered were S Fields, S Haug, J Fields, W Noonan, A Bowlay, W Hazelton, R Foran, M Seldon, G Seldon, R Crooks, G House, J White, and M Prior.

Eight teams to contest South Division of 2nd grade.

Sept 24th: In the first match Dapto were defeated by Nth Wollongong by 47 on 1st innings even though G House took 3 wickets for 2 runs and W Noonan 3-8.

Oct 28 1932: Keira 8 wickets for 278 - Gray 135. Dapto 78 and 78. , Fields 31 not out.

Nov 18th Dapto V Glebe:

Glebe 1st innings 127 (M Seldon 5-23). Glebe 2nd innings 124 (S Fields 2-18).

Dapto 1st innings 113 (D Haug 40). Dapto 2nd innings 7-132 (W Hazelton 40).

Whilst Dapto had three wickets in hand and six runs required to win time beat them.

Nov 26th: Port Kembla 63 and 91 were defeated by Dapto 67 and 4/89. W. Noonan top scored with 42 and G House took 3 wickets for 20.

Dec 16th: Albion Pk 75 and 3-43 defeated Dapto 25 and 94 (Seldon 3 wickets 18) on 1st innings.

Jan 6th 1933 Nth Wollongong 157 defeated Dapto 81 and 32.

Jan 20th Dapto bye.

Jan 27th Gladstone 184 defeated Dapto 140 and 26. W. Hazelton 50 for Dapto.

Feb 17th Keira 59 and 269 defeated Dapto 45 and 51. S Fields 5 for 8 in the 1st innings.

Feb 26th Glebe 92 defeated Dapto 45 and 6-82 (W Noonan 9 wickets for 45)

This was the last game of season. Dapto took 5th position on the points table.

Season 1933-1934

On August 25th 1933 the I.D.C.A. delegates meeting decided to adopt the larger stumps for the future, it being pointed out that it was now mandatory. Team nominations totalled 13 and they were graded into 6 1st grade and 12 2nd grade. Dapto in the 2nd grade.

Oct 12th Cordeaux 93 and 9 for 54 defeated Dapto 53 and 93.

Oct 27th Keira 232 and 1-60 defeated Dapto 123 and 177 by 109 runs on 1st innings.

Nov 3rd Dapto 186 (G House 23, Foran 21, Brown 35, Seldon 33 and Macken 27) V Port Kembla 62 and 7-223.(G House 4 for 6). Dapto won by 118 on 1st innings.

Nov 17th Dapto 138 drew with Gladstone 4 for 106. G Seldon 47.

Dec 3rd Dapto lost on 1st innings to Cordeaux. Cordeaux 129 and 80. Dapto 97 and 8 for 80.

Dec 15th Dapto 119 V Berkeley 87. Dapto won on 1st innings.

Jan 12th 1934 Gladstone defeated Dapto on 1st innings.

Jan 20th Dapto defeated Port Kembla on 1st innings.

March 2nd Gladstone defeated Dapto outright. Gladstone and Berkeley played off for the right to play Thirroul winners of the Nth Division. Berkeley won. Berkeley to play off scratch with Thirroul to receive 20 percent of their opponents score Thirroul premiers by one wicket and 12 runs.

Season 1934 and 1935

In August 1934 the I.D.C.A. received an application from Wongawilli Sports Club for admission to the competition and were advised the application will be accepted if a concrete wicket is laid on their home ground. Wongawilli were unable to afford to do so and that was the end of that. (Will a ground be present in this vicinity by 2034/35?)

1934-1935 Cont:-

Oct 26 1934 Keira 166 were defeated by Dapto 239 and 6 for 69 outright. Dapto 1st innings: W Hazelton 8, R Foran 5, S Fields 19, V Cummins 6, G. Seldon 40, A Swan 0, R Crooks 73, S Haug 25, C. Burling 7, A. Bowlay 41, W Noonan not out 1, Sundries 13, total 239. Bowling for Dapto Burling, Noonan and Fields all took five wickets.

Nov 2nd Dapto V Figtree:

Dapto 1st innings 79 (Bowlay 20 and A Swan 13 not out). Dapto 2nd innings 120, J.Brown not out 87. Figtree 1st innings 114 (P Foran 7 wickets for 24). Figtree 2nd innings 6 for 166.

Won outright by Figtree.

Nov 23rd Dapto 127 and 4 for 81 defeated Cordeaux 68 and 59. S Fields 6 for 14.

Dec 7th Dapto 87 and 71 defeated Port Kembla 82 and 74 by one run.

Dec 21st Thirroul P M L. 122 and 6 for 94 defeated Dapto 90 and 126 by four wickets.

Jan 4th 1935 Woonona defeated Dapto- No details.

Jan 11th 1935 Dapto claimed game against Glebe by forfeit.

Jan 25th Dapto V Berkeley. No result as rain washed out all play.

No more cricket matches will be played until 9th February due to anniversary weekend and Wollongong show the following week.

Feb 15th Nth Wollongong forfeited last game of season. Dapto did not make the play offs. Thirroul winners of both 1st and 2nd grade premierships.

Season 1935-1936

Dapto graded into South Division of competition with six teams in 1st grade and 14 teams in 2nd grade.

Dapto registered the following: D Foran, H Evans, S Fields, G House, B Bowlay, G Seldon, S.Haug, A Swan, D Noonan, P Foran, W Noonan.

On October 4th 1935 Dapto opened the season playing Kemblawarra.

Kemblawarra 1st innings 159 (S Fields 5 wickets for 32). Kemblawarra 2nd innings 7-21 (W Noonan 3 for 29). Dapto 1st innings 87 and 2nd innings 3-31. Kemblawarra won on 1st innings by 72 runs.

Oct 18th Dapto and Port did not produce a very bright display and small scores were the order of the day with the bowlers being on top especially Noonan and Foran for Dapto. Port 1st innings 96 (D Noonan 3-15, P Foran 2-12, R Crooks 2-10, S.Haug 2-6). Port 2nd innings 83 (W Noonan 3-23, D Noonan 3-20). Dapto 1st innings 78 and 2nd innings 5 for 105 with R Crooks 47 not out.

Oct 25th Dapto 7-300 (G Seldon 100 and A Swan 54) defeated Gladstone 35. No 2nd day details.

Nov 8th Dapto 71 and 91 defeated Figtree 80 and 79 by 1 wicket. Fields 3 for 16.

Dec 6th Berkeley defeated Dapto outright by innings and 149 runs. No details. Dapto must have played a shocker.

Dec 13th Dapto 173 and 1-44 defeated Cordeaux 133 and 77 by 9 wickets. Form reversal.

On December 13th 1935 G House and W Noonan were selected to represent South Division V Nth Division.

Jan 3rd 1936 Dapto V Berkeley. No details.

Jan 10th Kemblawarra 117 defeated Dapto 70 and 31.

Jan 17th Dapto bye.

Feb 14th Port 6-348 defeated Dapto 88 and 179 by innings and 81 runs.

Feb 28th Dapto V Cordeaux no result.

March 6th Figtree 6-121 defeated Dapto 50.

March 27th Dapto V Gladstone no result.

Berkeley, the winners of South Division played Woonona Nth Div winners with Woonona taking the honours..

Season 1936-1937

The I.D.C.A. meeting of 31st July was held to receive the report of the sub committee appointed to revise the constitution and rules, to be in conformity with district cricket. District cricket having been adopted on January 24th 1936.

New Rules

Points to be allotted as follows:

Win outright 10

Win 1st innings 6 with 2 points allotted to opposing team.

Drawn game 4 points each.

Forfeited game maximum points scored by any team in that particular round.

1936-1937 Cont:-

On Friday September 18th the secretary of the I.D.C.A. advised he had received a letter from Dapto Cricket Club seeking permission to withdraw its affiliation with the I.D.C.A. and join the Albion Park Association. Dapto, a 2nd grade club, had affiliated with the association at the last meeting and had been drawn in the southern division of the second grade competition. Dapto's withdrawal will leave an odd number of teams in that division.

A special delegates meeting of the association will be held tomorrow Saturday at Wollongong School of Arts to consider the matter.

At the special meeting before discussion commenced the Dapto Secretary explained the position and requested the application be withdrawn and that Dapto be allowed to commence their matches a little later than 2pm on account of most of their players having to work late on Saturdays (44 Hour week required a half days work on Saturdays). A resolution was carried that Dapto be allowed to start not later than 2.30 p.m.

The 1936-1937 competition had eight teams in 1st grade and two divisions of six in 2nd grade.

CRICKET

I.D.C.A.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS.

A special general meeting of the Cricket Association was held on Saturday night to consider a few questions that have been exercising the minds of members for a number of months. There was a fair attendance, but not as large as it should have been when such important questions were on the business sheet.

DISTRICT CRICKET.

The first question dealt with was that of dividing the present area controlled by the I.D.C.A. into districts and the formation of clubs in these districts.

Mr. Morley (Glebe) moved "That we introduce District Cricket in this area."

Seconded by Mr. McNiven.

Mr. James Porter (Keira) speaking in support of the motion, said it was a most important question. This was the only Association which had not introduced districts. Mr. Porter referred to teams, such as Corrimal and Balgownie, which had gone out of existence, whereas if there had been districts, these teams would have been playing to-day. He contended that they must introduce District cricket to improve the game here.

Mr. Mills supported the motion. He referred to the fact that while at the present time there were six first grade teams playing, four of these were in Wollongong. Corrimal, he said, did not at present have a team, but if they looked among the other first grade teams, they could find enough players from the Corrimal area to form a good first grade team.

Mr. Emery (Waratah) opposed the introduction of District cricket. He maintained it was a move to have Waratah club disbanded. He referred to the disbanding of Corrimal club and gave as the reason for that area not having a team to-day as being a lack of interest. Tennis, Surfing, and other pastimes to-day was drawing the young men away from cricket and he considered the club that gathered in those interested in the game of cricket should be commended. He also stated the reason for disbanding of Balgownie Club was the lack of finance and the fact that they were now running their own competition on Sundays. He considered the introduction of District Cricket would not improve the game.

Mr. Mearns (Glebe) supported, and said he did not consider any teams playing to-day would have to disband, but the committee appointed would have to consider the question in the best interests of the game.

Mr Westwood said the introduction of districts would considerably weaken the teams and thus lower the standard of cricket.

Dr. Lee (Patron) made a very fine speech in favor of the introduction of District Cricket. He said he had been opposed to its introduction some years ago, but to-day he considered it was the only means of improving the game. He remembered the time when the Metropolitan area was divided into districts, and how it had improved the game in that area, and he considered the same would apply here. It may cause a set-back for a season or two, but after that, they would notice the improvement. Since the introduction of districts in Sydney there had never been any talk of going back to old club cricket, so if it was successful there it should be so here.

After Mr. Morley had briefly replied, the motion was carried, only 4 voting against.

The meeting then decided that a committee of seven, including the secretary and president be formed to draw up a scheme and submit a report to a general meeting to be held in June. The committee consists of Messrs Mills, Chapman, Mearns, Emery, McNiven and Sec. and president.

Dr. Lee asked, when this committee's report was submitted, would the Association have to accept same or could it be again thrown on the scrapheap, as many previous proposed schemes had been?

The president ruled that the scheme could be amended by the Association, if necessary, but could not be rejected.

ASSOCIATION FINANCE.

Finance was the next question considered. Mr. McNiven put forward a scheme, in which he quoted figures, which showed how the association could be financed, and also Umpires paid, without hardship to the players. The proposals included the running of an annual ball.

After much discussion, Mr. Mearns moved that a committee be formed to consider this matter and report to the delegate meeting on the first Saturday in March.

This was carried and the following committee was appointed: Messrs McNiven, T. Krome, Mills, Rock and Miller.

Oct 2nd Dapto 261 (Noonan run out 52) defeated Coniston 118 and 86 outright. Bowling G House 5 for 21.

Oct 9th Dapto met Port Kembla at Dapto. Dapto batted first scoring 135. W Noonan 33 and A Swan 39. Port replied with 275. Fitzgerald 4 for 59.

Oct 16th Berkeley 195 and 68 defeated Dapto 137 and 3 for 77 on 1st innings. Bowling for Dapto Noonan 6 for 54 1st innings. 2nd innings; House 6 for 32, Noonan 3 for 31.

Oct 30th Dapto 171 (A Swan 63) and 9 for 166 lost to Wollongong 8 for 269.

Nov 13 and 20th Dapto 171 and 54 lost outright to Kemblawarra 100 and 127 by 13 runs.

Nov 27th 1936 Berkeley 170 (W Noonan 5 for 49) and 131 lost to Dapto 179 - G House 59, V Cummins 57, W Noonan also 5 for 33 in 2nd innings.



DAPTO I.O.O.F. CRICKET TEAM

BACK ROW (L-R) : L. Crooks, D. Foran, Syl. Foran, B. Noonan, M. Seldon, F. Mylan, D. Noonan.

FRONT ROW: Pat Foran, G. House, J. Gillen, Cec Bright, W. Fitzgerald, B. Bailey.

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1936-1937 Cont:-

On Dec 11th and 20th Dapto batsmen rewrote the records. W.(Bill) Hazelton smashed a double century in four hours beating P J. (Jim) Fields record on 170, which was the highest individual score by a Dapto batsman in the previous 79 years.

The opening partnership must also be a club record. Whilst exact details are unknown, an opening batting performance of 216 for Bill Hazelton and 120 for Dick Foran as yet is unequalled. Bill Hazelton was also a first class tennis player. If he had been a dedicated cricketer Bill would most certainly have played in a much higher grade. With tennis commitments and being a professional fisherman he was absent when playing tennis or when the fish were on.

CONISTON B v DAPTO.

DAPTO 1st innings.

R. Foran, c Hummerston b Young	120
W. Hazelton, c Dobinson, b	
Hummerston	216
A. Swan, run out	0
V. Cummins, st Gray, b Young	51
W. Noonan, not out	9
G. Wilson, not out	11
Sundrie	23

4 wickets for 430

Bowling—Young 2-85; Hummerston 1-16.

Dapto declared their innings closed at 4-430. Coniston 1st innings 102. W Noonan four wickets and W Fitzgerald with five were the destroyers. Coniston 2nd innings was more of a success finishing at 9-203, thus limiting Dapto to a 1st innings win only.

Jan 15 and 22nd 1937 Dapto 170 (S Foran 43, G Wilson 40, D Foran 37) drew with Wollongong 6-104. Rain washed out 2nd day.

Jan 29th and Feb 5th Dapto 141 and 2-96 defeated Kemblawarra 88 on 1st innings.

Feb 11th and 19th Port Kembla 248 defeated Dapto 196 and 64 on 1st innings.

Feb 26th and Mar 5th Dapto records another big score. Dapto had to settle for a 1st innings win.

March 12th Port Kembla 126 defeated Dapto 57 on 1st innings and now qualify for the final V Nth Wollongong. Dapto 3rd on points.

DAPTO'S 365 AGAINST WOLLONGONG

CRICKET

DAPTO v WOLLONGONG

Dapto won the toss and batted the whole afternoon at McCabe Park against Wollongong, Dapto having 8 wickets down for 265 at stumps. Vin Commins played nice strokes all around the wicket and was top scorer with 82. One of Vin's finest shots is a hook on the leg side which brings him many runs. Bill Hazelton and Sil Foran were next best with 47 and 41. Sil Foran is becoming a very consistent batsman; his last four innings have netted him 43, 10, 30 and 41 respectively.

Season 1937-1938

On September 3rd the I.D.C.A. delegate meeting decided that the 2nd grade competition would be played in one division only until February 14th and the leading four teams will play semi finals and a final.

Oct 8th Dapto 266 defeated Coniston 106 and 49 outright- no details.

Nov 6th Dapto 62 and 125 defeated Wollongong 115 and 60 outright- no details.

Nov 19th Austinmer 127 and 3-145 defeated Dapto 58 and 9-210 outright.

Dec 3rd Corrimal 126 and 3-109 defeated Dapto 84 on 1st innings.

Dec 17th Dapto 5-282 defeated Kemblawarra 208 and 0-39 on 1st innings.

Jan 7th 1938 Dapto 6-331 defeated Waratah 99 and 73 outright- no details.

Jan 21st Dapto 210 V Pt 6-120 rain- match drawn.

The 'Gongs bowling wasn't quite up to standard, every man, but the keeper having a turn. There is some excuse for the bowlers in the fact that the ball and approaches to the wicket were very greasy after the rain. A very fine piece of work was done by keeper Barker in the stumping of W. Nunan off fast bowler, R. Dare. Scores:

DAPTO 1st innings	
W. Nunan, st.	Barker, b R. Dare 1
R. Hazelton, c	Barker, b R. Dare 47
S. Foran, b	A. Day. 41
V. Commins, b	A. Day 82
A. Swan, c	Smith b H. Browne 23
G. Wilson, c	Brown b David 0
W. Wood, not out	..... .... 6
P. Foran, c	David b O. Dare .. 1
R. Foran, c	O'Grady, b A. Day 28
G. House, not out	..... .... 20
Sundries ,.... 20	

8 wickets for 365
Bowling-- R. Dare 2-35, O. Dare 1-32, Lacey 0-39, Malone 0-36, David 1-32, Ramsay 0-8, O'Grady 0-14, A. Day 0-91, Smith 0-90, H. Brown 1-10

MARCH 11TH THE 1937-1938 SEMI-FINAL.

(Extract from a report that appeared in the South Coast Times under the name of Tim)

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DAPTO 1st innings.

G. House, c Grannell b Green	42
D. Nunan, lbw, b Mitchell	14
S. Foran b Mitchell	10
A. Swan, c Mitchell, b Sparks	15
G. Wilson, lbw, b Mitchell	7
R. Hazelton, lbw, b Anderson	18
W. Nunan, b Anderson	1
S. Haug, b Bieman	12
C. Mawbey, not out	12
G. Seldon, b Anderson	1
R. Crooks, c Mitchell, b Anderson	4
Sundries	9

Total 145

Bowling—Green 2-19, Sparks 1-32
Mitchell 2-35, Dick 0-12, Anderson
4-25, Bieman 1-11, Bradley 0-2.

AUSTINMER 1st innings.

Mitchell, c Wilson, b W. Nunan	2
Kinred, b G. House	4
Sparks, c D. Nunan, b W. Nunan	0
Burnett, b House	0
Anderson, b G. House	7
Grannell, b G. House	11
Dick, b G. House	0
Green, c S. Haug b R. Hazelton	39
Redfern, c Nunan, b W. Nunan	0
Bradley, run out	0
Bieman, not out	0
Sundries	4

Total 67

Bowling—G. House 5-39, W. Nunan 3-33, R. Hazelton 1-0.

On the second day's play Dapto scored 100 (D Noonan 39). Austinmer was 5-123 at stumps. On day three Austinmer increased their score to 173. G House and W Noonan took four wickets each. Dapto won by 5 runs.

SECOND GRADE FINAL

(As reported in the Illawarra Mercury)

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September 30th Dapto 182 defeated Berkeley 79 on 1st innings.

Oct 28th Dapto 92 and 91 defeated Kemblawarra 75 and 56. Bowling for Dapto 1st innings Garraty 4-32, 2nd innings W Noonan 7-20. Dapto by 55 runs.

Nov 11th Dapto 103 (S Haug 30) Figtree 46 (J Hazelton 3-9, R Hazelton 3-10, C Hawley 3-10).

Nov 25th Dapto 106 (S Haug 25) and 169 (A Swan 70). Port Kembla 212 and 3-67 (Hazelton 4-45)

Dec 8th Dapto 89 (S Haug). 29, Coniston 63 (D Noonan 4-12, J Hazelton 4-22)

Dec 23rd Dapto 137 (A Swan 40) and 0-8 defeated Keira 84 (W Noonan 7-37) and 57 (Mawbey 5-13). Outright by 10 wickets.

Jan 27th 1939 Kemblawarra 178 (D Noonan 4-34) defeated Dapto 51 and 71 outright.

G House returned to Dapto after two games with Coniston 1st grade.
Feb 12th Dapto 199 (A Swan 41) defeated Figtree 148 (W Noonan 4-36).
Feb 17th Port Kembla 205 defeated Dapto 114 (O'Hara 33) and 87 outright.
March 17th Dapto received forfeit from Coniston
March 24th Dapto 55 V Berkeley, rain washed out play.
Austinmer and Port Kembla played final.

SEASON 1939-1940

At the I.D.C.A. meeting of September 23rd 1939 the delegates agreed the competition will be decided on points. The team gaining the most points being declared the winner. 2nd grade to be run in one division.

Oct 13th Corrimal 152 V Dapto-score not published-only report is Dapto routed Corrimal in 2nd innings to win outright.
Nov 3rd Dapto 137 and 2-75 defeated Waratah 63 and 146.
Nov 17th Dapto 260 and 0-8 defeated Wollongong 148 and 146 on 1st innings.
Dec 1st Dapto 90 and 170 defeated Coniston 143 and 47.
Dec 15th Dapto 9-215 defeated Bulli 104 and 43. Competition points to date were Dapto 47, Berkeley 44, Woonona 41, Keira Juniors 37, Scarborough 32, Kemblawarra 27, Port 20, Austinmer 20, Keira 20, Coniston 18, Wollongong 11, Corrimal 11, Bulli 7, Waratah 1

Jan 19th 1940 Scarborough defeated Dapto on 1st innings- no details
Feb 9th Dapto were defeated by Woonona.

Feb 23rd Keira 140 (A Hazelton 5-20) lost to Dapto. No second day details. Woonona won the competition after leading for most of the season. Dapto only managed third spot.

Season 1940-1941

The I.D.C.A. received nominations from 11 teams for 2nd grade namely, Scarborough; Frog Hollow, Russell Vale, Tarrawanna, Waratah, Coniston, Keira, Port Kembla, Berkeley, Kemblawarra and Dapto. As there are no reported matches versus Frog Hollow I assume they withdrew.

Nov 1st 1940 Keira defeated Dapto outright- no details.
Nov 15th Port 181 and 8 for 83 defeated Dapto 173 and 90.
Points at end of round 3: Berkeley on top with 30, Dapto last with 0.

Form reversal- Dapto V Waratah.
Nov 29th Dapto 7-327, Waratah 6-192.
(W. Raiser 92, C. Mawbey 70, S Foran 21, E Blissendon 0, G House 27, A Swan NO 80, R Bailey 10, J Bain 8, Sundries 19. Total 327. Dapto won on 1st innings by 132.
Dec 13th Dapto 96 defeated Russell Vale 77 and 5 for 82 on 1st innings.
Jan 3rd 1941 Dapto 169 defeated Waratah 45 and 101 outright.
Jan 17th Keira 200 and 0 for 50 defeated Dapto 45 and 101 outright.
Jan 31st Dapto forfeited to Port.
Feb 14th Scarborough defeated Dapto - No scores.
Feb 28th Keira 66 and 137 defeated Dapto 59 and 81, outright.
March 7th Tarrawanna played Dapto at Tarrawanna where the spectators witnessed one of the best exhibitions staged on the South Coast. Tarrawanna won the toss and batted closing at 6-215 made in 90 minutes. A Thommone gave a fine batting exhibition belting 10 sixes and 10 fours in scoring 116 in 30 mins. (played with "Stalk" Thommone in the army - AH).

Dapto replied with a dismal 52 and followed on doing little better with 81 in the second innings.

Tarrawanna went on to win the premiership defeating Port in outright in the final.

Season 1941-1942

The September 19th 1942 I.D.C.A. delegate meeting reported that present indications point to there being eight teams in 1st grade and six in 2nd grade. For the first time there will be no Port or Wollongong 2nd grade teams. First grade is expected to be Port Kembla, Wollongong, Waratah, Corrimal, Keira, Woonona, Thirroul and Dapto. Dapto did not field a team in either grade.

Season 1942 - 1943

Six 1st grade teams were nominated including an Army side. Dapto entered a 2nd grade team, but later withdrew its nomination due to the heavy enlistments. Due to the difficulty of getting any type of matting most 2nd grade games will be played on concrete, the surface being glazed.

First grade teams were Woonona, Army, Waratah, Wollongong, Keira, Port Kembla. Waratah were premiers.

Season 1943 - 1944

The secretary of the I.D.C.A. reported that as far as can be ascertained seven first grade and 11 second grade teams will contest the coming district competition. Dapto, Port Kembla, Wollongong and Excelsior are likely additions. Eleven teams including Dapto nominated.

Dapto bye first round.

Oct 22nd 1943 Dapto 207 defeated Mount Kembla- no details.

Oct 28th Tarrawanna 69 defeated Dapto 40 and 23- outright. D Noonan top scoring in both innings with 11 and 3. Thommone 3-6 1st innings and 6-5 2nd innings the destroyer for Tarrawanna.

Nov 12th Dapto 196 (A Langlois 43, W Burrows 51) defeated Keira 176. Bowling W Noonan 6-65, D Noonan 4-62.

Nov 19th Dapto 85 defeated Wollongong 69- no details.

Nov 26th Dapto 114 tied with Woonona 114 on 1st innings.

Dec 3rd Dapto 109 defeated. A.I.S.T.O. 69

Dec 10th Wollongong 136 defeated Dapto 75 and 49 outright.

Dec 17th Dapto V Port - no result.

Jan 7th 1944 Russell Vale 140 defeated Dapto 84.

Jan 14th Dapto 5-167 defeated A.I.S.T.O. 132.

Jan 21st Woonona bowler H Flood routed Dapto at Nicholson Pk collecting eight scalps for 17 off seven overs.

Woonona 113 (R Bailey 5-19) defeated Dapto 1st innings.

Dapto 55 (D Noonan 32) and 6-63.

Feb 4th Russell Vale 170 defeated Dapto 138.

Feb 11th Dapto V Keira- no result.

Feb 18th Mount Kembla 6-230 defeated Dapto 206.

Feb 25th Tarrawanna 149 def Dapto 77.

Dapto finished fourth on points table.

Reminiscences from David (Choom McKay)

My first recollections of cricket in Dapto was of the team names being placed in Brown's Old Paper Shop. Next to the XY2 Chewing Gum Machine (if you remember that machine you are old) and going down to Reed Park to watch the games. The old gates were not constructed in those days. This was pre-war as the grandstand we knew was not constructed. The mats and flags were kept in an old building which was situated to the south of the concrete brick stand. This building had an earth floor.

Early Players I remember were:

George House - opening bat and bowler.

Danny Noonan - opening Bat and wicket keeper.

Cec Morbey - first drop bat and opening bowler.

Bill Noonan - spin bowler.

Alan Swan – batsman.

Cyril Foran – batsman.

Bill Fitzgerald - slow bowler.

Archie Hazelton - fast bowler.

Jim Hazelton - fast bowler.

Bob Hazelton – batsman.

Bill Hazelton - He came later, an opening bat.

J. Humphries - Who lived in Marshall St.

Bill Rason came to work at Bill O'Briens farm. He was a very good bat but got a duck first match for Dapto. Ken Patison was a good bat and bowler. He hit George House over the pines on the northern end on two occasions- the biggest hits I've seen. Old timers at the time said Jim Fields Snr hit the ball harder, higher, further and more often than any body else.

Along came a fast bowler who broke a stump when playing for South Coast in country week. I rode the push bike to see him play against Dapto.

KEEN SUPPORTERS

Dave McKay and Don Bailey used to ride their push bikes to places such as Port Kembla, Berkeley, Figtree (behind the Old Pub), Wollongong Showground and Corrimbal. Corrimbal being the furthest to watch, score and hoping to field if necessary. Talking of travelling I remember being invited to play with a Dapto u/14 school team to play Unanderra when 12 years of age. This meant I had to walk from Wongawilli to Unanderra. The playing field or rather paddock was where the BHP Rail is alongside Five Islands Road. I was fortunate to get an early wicket and this brought Col Pinch (later a representative cricketer) to the crease, who set about belting the ball scoring over 100. The consolation I had was to get his wicket. Plenty to think about on the long walk home.

Note: Col Pinch played for South Australia-scoring 3,751 runs at an average of 41. He scored 10 centuries and 19 half centuries and his highest score was 146 not out.

The club players in those days travelled in Gabe Timbs big hire car.

SEASON 1944-1945

At the I.D.C.A. meeting of the 8th September it was decided to reintroduce two day cricket as opposed to one day . (M Seldon, the Dapto delegate strongly opposed the move).

Oct 6th season opened- first game not reported.
Oct 26th Dapto 115 defeated by Mount Kembla 160.
Nov 10th Dapto 112 and 84 def Port Kembla 69 and 7-81 on 1st innings.
Nov 24th Dapto 123 and 5-107 defeated Coniston 43 and 107, outright.
Dec 8th Dapto defeated Unanderra on 1st innings- no details.
Jan 12th Keira 85 and 5-85 defeated Dapto 111 and 48, outright.
Jan 19th Mount Kembla 168 and 0-10 defeated Dapto 94 and 81. E Blissenden 26, R Hazelton 17.

Unusual decision (as reported by Illawarra Mercury)

Umpire Tolhurst made cricket history in the Dapto-Port Kembla second grade match. On an appeal from Port Kembla's Morgan Simon he gave Dapto's D Bailey out for exceeding the time allowed to an incoming batsman. I can recall no similar incident, either in Sydney, or South Coast Cricket.

Law 40 states that the umpire shall allow two minutes for each striker to come to come in, with the proviso that, when an incoming batsman exceeds the period allowed, the umpire at the bowlers end shall, on appeal by the opposing captain declare such batsman out. It was this rule that umpire Tolhurst invoked.

Dapto players were considerably annoyed over the incident, alleging poor sportsmanship on Port's part

Snippet: Feb 2nd L Hurry, brother of Dapto's Max, Jim and Nev scored 216 for Mount Kembla in a score of 6-432 made in only four hours.

Feb 9th Dapto 181 and 7-73 defeated Port O.R. 139 and 102.
Feb 16th Dapto defeated Unanderra on 1st innings- no details.
March 9th Dapto defeated Coniston on 1st innings-no details.
Mount Kembla finished 1st in South Division and Russel Vale in North.
Mount Kembla defeated Russel Vale to become premiers.

1945-1946 SEASON

Competition commenced October 6th with Dapto entering two teams in 2nd grade.
With the return of servicemen more players became available.

Oct 6th rain washed out all games.
Oct 20th Unanderra 193 defeated Dapto B 47 and 2-32. No play second day due to rain.
Dapto A 157 drew with Wollongong 5-115.
Nov 2nd Dapto A 105 and 53 lost to Dapto B 89 and 74, outright.
Nov 16th Port Kembla 156 and 0-5 defeated Dapto B 75 and 83 outright. Nov 30th Mount Kembla 2-195 defeated Dapto B 82 and 100. Dapto A 174 defeated Unanderra 138 on 1st innings.
Dec 21st Dapto B 168 and 9-163 defeated Wollongong 125 and 39 outright.
Jan 4th 1946 Unanderra 229 defeated Dapto B 96 and 52, outright.
Jan 25th Dapto A 5-153 defeated B 46 and 64, outright.
Feb 1st Mount Kembla 6-257 defeated Dapto A 9-241 (one man absent) on 1st innings.
March 13th Dapto B finished ahead of A on points.

FOLLOWING IS THE SEC-TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SEASON 1945-1946.

DAPTO CRICKET CLUB
Balance Sheet Season Ending 16/3/46

PATRONS :

Mr. G. PATON Mr. R. FAIRLEY

OFFICERS :

President: W. BURROWS Secretary: M. SELDEN

To Mr. W. Sanderson

DEAR SIR,

It is with pleasure that I submit to you the financial position of the Club for the 1945-46 season ending 16/3/46. In comparing the previous season with the one concluded, it is quite noticeable the difference in the Club's finance, this being due to the strike, which commenced in October and continued for the following 16 weeks, therefore it was impossible for the Club to achieve finance from any sources that were so willingly offered. For the first time in the Club's history, the demand for intending members was so great that it saw fit to nominate two 2nd Grade Teams, namely the A's and B's. 49 players were registered into their respective grades, of which 38 took part in one or more games. With the forthcoming season approaching, I have no doubt there will again be a large membership; also, it will be the Clubs' ambition to field two teams as it previously did, and although both teams failed to show to advantage, I feel sure with most of the usual players again participating, we are quite capable, with co-operation from the players, to the Club, of achieving much better success which could enable us to win the competition.

I take this opportunity, on behalf of the Club, to thank the Club's Patrons, Vice-presidents, Mr. Allan Swan, for donating material to the Club; also Mrs. G. Paton, who offered to donate a cake, and Mr. G. Parkes in offering the Theatre for a Picture Night, but as previously mentioned, we were unable to accept Mrs. Paton's and Mr. Parkes' generosity owing to the strike.

The Annual Meeting of the nearing season will be held as soon as possible after the Annual Meeting of the I.D.S.A.

Yours faithfully,
 M. SELDEN, Hon. Sec.

DONATIONS RECEIVED: D. F. Club £2, R. Foran £1/1/0, J. Timbs £1/1/0, T. Welford £1/1/0, P. Zantis £1/1/0, G. Parkes £1/1/0, G. Paton £1/1/0, J. Fairley £1/1/0, R. Vickery £1, J. Robinson 10/6, R. Swan 10/6, R. Bailey senr. 10/6, H. H. Beattie (N.P.M.) 5/-

NOTE.—It will be my pleasure to answer any question concerning Balance Sheet at the Club's Annual Meeting.

BATTING & BOWLING AVERAGES, 1945-46 SEASON

BATTING—A GRADE (8 Innings and Over)

	I.	N.O.	H.S.	Ttl.	Av.
S. Foran	9	2	63x	280	40.00
W. Hazelton	15	2	59	359	27.46
D. Nunan	8	—	50	182	22.75
A. Swan	11	2	56	191	21.22
D. Bailey	13	1	39	211	17.58
G. House	8	—	53	104	13.00
A. Langlois	12	—	72	153	12.75

BOWLING—GRADE A (10 Wickets and Over)

	W.	R.	Av.
W. Sanderson	11	144	13.0
R. Powers	12	157	13.0
D. Bailey	22	360	16.3
G. House	21	346	16.4
E. Rutledge	11	181	16.4

BATTING—GRADE B (8 Innings and Over)

	I.	N.O.	H.S.	Ttl.	Av.
J. Fitzpatrick	11	—	49	280	20.00
A. Burrows	19	—	55	260	14.15
A. Wells	14	1	60x	170	13.07
J. Bain	14	—	59	173	12.35

Balance Sheet Season Ending March, 1947

DAPTO CRICKET CLUB Balance Sheet Season Ending March, 1947

PATRONS:

Mr. G. PATON, Mr. R. FAIRLEY

OFFICERS:

President: W. BURROWS. Secretary: R. BAILEY.

To Mr.

DEAR SIR.—

With the 1946-47 season concluded, I have much pleasure in submitting to you the club's financial position, together with its most interesting activities for same. Unlike the previous season, it is noticeable that the club benefited to a much greater extent in finance due to the continuous work of industry and again to the generosity of its donors, together with others who assisted in raising same. It is quite apparent that the members appreciated the two 2nd grade teams as in the previous year, because it was able to complete another, though not successful as far as competition points were concerned, but a very enjoyable one, and was able to field full teams to the end.

My congratulations are extended to Ken Patison and George House in topping the batting and bowling averages respectively in the A's, and also Gibb Ellison and Arthur Hobbs in the B's; it is no doubt a pleasure to be able to congratulate Arthur in topping the bowling average in his first year in competition cricket. With the 1947-48 season nearing, I have no doubt it will be the club's ambition to again field two teams, and perhaps it will be able to improve on previous efforts. On behalf of the club, I take this opportunity to thank club patrons and vice-presidents, and Mrs. Paton for their generosity shown to the club.

The Annual Meeting will be held as soon as possible after the Annual Meeting of the I.D.C.A.

Yours faithfully,

R. BAILEY, Hon. Sec.

DONATIONS RECEIVED: Mr. G. Paton £2/2/0, R. Fairley £1/1/0, J. Fairley £1/1/0, A. Swan £1, G. Parkes £1/1/0, P. Zantis £1/1/0, J. Fitzpatrick sr. £1/1/0, Rex Swan £1/1/0, Dr. Rail £1/1/0, J. Timbs £1, Mr. Shaw and Duley £1, J. Fields 10/6, C. Tree 10/-, J. Robinson 10/6, W. Arthur 5/-, T. Longdon 5/-.

NOTE: It will be my pleasure to answer any questions concerning Balance Sheet at the Club's Annual Meeting.

BATTING & BOWLING AVERAGES, 1946-47 SEASON

BATTING—A GRADE (8 Innings and Over)

	Inn.	N.O.	H.S.	Ttl.	Av.
K. Patison	8	1	59	143	20.5
W. Hazelton	18	2	62	320	20.0
A. Langlois	12	3	41	171	19.0
A. Swan	17	1	107	278	17.6
D. Bailey	11	1	36	170	17.0
D. Nunan	10	—	59	160	16.0

BOWLING—A GRADE (10 Wickets and Over)

	W.	R.	Av.
G. House	51	625	12.2
A. Swan	20	346	17.3
E. Rutledge	13	304	23.3

BATTING—B GRADE (8 Innings and Over)

	Inn.	N.O.	H.S.	Ttl.	Av.
G. Ellison	9	4	57	108	21.5
A. Burrows	7	—	55	329	19.6
J. Fitzpatrick	17	1	57x	266	16.8
D. Blissenden	14	—	30	201	14.4
J. Jaffray	14	2	28	156	13.0
P. Foran	15	—	36	175	11.6

BOWLING—B GRADE (10 Wickets and Over)

	W.	R.	Av.
A. Hobbs	24	490	20.4
G. Ellison	10	208	20.8
P. Foran	12	402	33.5
J. Fitzpatrick	10	392	39.2

MATERIAL ON HAND at end of 1946-47 Season: 6 Bats, 2 Practice Bats, 7 Prs. Batting Pads, 2 Prs. W.K. Pads, 2 Prs. W.K. Gloves, 1 Set Stumps, 2 Batting Gloves, 2 Kit Bags, 1 Practice Ball, 1 Cricket Ball, 2 Protectors.

*Annual Meeting Monday 1st Sept
J Timbs Billiard Saloon*

INCOME

	£	s	d
Brought Forward, 1945-46	3	12	6½
Donations	14	10	0
Ball Fee	10	15	0
Membership	8	15	0
Raffles	17	3	0
Use of Material	4	0	
	£54	19	6½

EXPENDITURE

	£	s	d
Cricket Balls	8	19	0
Cricket Balls and Gloves	7	7	6
One Bat	3	17	6
I.D.C.A.	2	2	0
Registrations	2	2	0
Protectors	1	9	2
Repairs to Bats	1	18	3
Ground Fee	1	1	0
Presentation to M. Selden	1	3	0
Expenses on Games	1	0	0
One Wreath (late B. Paton)	1	1	0
Bus Trip to Berrima	14	6	
Score Books	8	6	
Stamps	5	0	
Raffle Books	2	0	
Postal Note	1	0	
Sympathy Cards	1	0	
	£33	12	5

TOTAL INCOME £54/19/6½; EXPENDITURE £33/12/5;

BALANCE ON HAND, £21/7/1½.

Season 1946-1947

I N C O M E

		£	s	d
Brought Forward, 1944-45	....	14	6	0½
Donations	....	12	3	6
Ball Fee	....	6	12	6
Membership	....	5	10	0
Overcharge (Ump., Ball)	....	1	1	6
Interest, 1944-45	....	3	4	
		£39	16	10½

E X P E N D I T U R E

		£	s	d
Cricket Kit	....	17	7	6
Balls	....	5	0	0
Registrations	....	2	9	0
Car Expenses	....	1	13	0
I.D.C.A.	....	2	2	0
Ground Fee	....	1	0	0
Bat Binding	....		18	0
Bond Money	....		19	0
Stamps	....		10	0
Phone Calls	....		9	8
Bat Repairs	....		9	0
Club Stamp	....		7	0
Rent, School of Arts	....		5	0
Memoriam (late F. Nunan)	....		6	6
Bat Handle Grip	....		4	0
Expenses for Kit	....		10	0
Telegrams (D. Nunan)	....		1	9
Inner Gloves (2 Pairs)	....		7	0
Tickets, Bat (Chegwyn's XI.)	....		5	0
Sundries	....		8	5
		£35	3	4

TOTAL Income £39/16/10½, Expenditure £35/3 4; Balance on hand, £4/13/6½.

Annual General Meeting held September 1946.

Election of Office Bearers.

Patrons G Paton, R Fairley
President W Burrows
Sec/Treas M Seldon.

Dapto entered 2nd Grade teams to be classified No 1 and No 2.

Oct 11th 1946 Berkeley 8-193 defeated Dapto No 1 67 and 115. (A Swan 46, D. Nunan 15)
 Port Kembla 299 (A Nobbs 6-54) defeated Dapto 2nd's on 1st innings.

Nov 15th Mount Kembla 5-226 drew with Dapto 2nd's 7-186.

Dapto 1 96 and 2-51 defeated Wollongong 84 and 6 (G House 3-6)

Dec 13th Dapto 2nd's 126 and 5-111 def Coniston 109 and 2-124 closed outright.

Jan 4th Unanderra 78 and 287 def Dapto 2nd's 69 and 6-100 on 1st innings.

Feb 21st 1947 Mount Kembla 140 (G House 4-38) def Dapto 1st's 134 (W Hazelton 46)

Dapto 2nd's def Berkeley outright. Batting E Blissenden 29, W Burrows 19. Bowling Ellison 2-57.

March 14th Berkeley 6-129 def Dapto No 1 119- Dapto forfeited 2nd day.

This was the final round. Dapto did not qualify for finals.

Season 1947-1948

Oct 16th Dapto 199 and 0-6 def Mount Kembla 103 and 98 outright.

Oct 23rd Dapto 201 (W Hazelton 44, E Stair 26, W Jaffray 55, A Langlois 18, C Bright 10 were the double figures Batsmen) V Unanderra 41. G Ellison 5-16. (Both Mercury and South Coast Times. micro film damaged, so no record until March 18th when Dapto played Woonona in the 2nd grade comp)

March 18th 2nd Grade Final Dapto V Woonona.

Woonona 1st innings 105 (D Bailey 6-42)

Dapto	1st innings	2nd innings
W Hazelton	5	9
A Langlois	0	9
E Stair	0	9
D Bailey	3	12
J Fitzpatrick	0	1
A Swan	0	6
A Burrows	1	0
R Hazelton	8 not out.	1
J Bain 2	2	
E Blissendon	1	
G Ellison	3	
	<u>Sundries</u>	<u>4</u>
Total	27	51

Dapto forfeited rest of match.

Season 1948 -1949

Annual General Meeting held 17th August at Timbs Saloon, which was the local barber salon and billiard room, now the site of the Dapto Leagues Club.

Election of Officers

Patrons	G Paton and J J Fitzpatrick
President	M Seldon
Sec Treas	J Fitzpatrick jnr
Assist Sec	J Bain

September 30th Dapto was elevated to 1st grade and will face the strong Port Kembla in the first match.

Dapto a new team in the 1st grade competition will consist of mainly 2nd grade players. These players will be drawn from 3 of last years teams: Berkeley, Unanderra and Dapto.

Henry Longbottom one of the best bats in the district has taken up residence in Dapto and should he play, will be the backbone of the side. Bill Jaffray playing for the Illawarra Colts has shown some good form and will develop into a good batsman.

Oct 7th Port 5-350 dec. def. Dapto 77 and 5-200. Dapto failed badly in 1st innings (Longbottom 42) but improved in 2nd with H. Longbottom 91 NOT OUT., A Swan 33 and W Hazelton 30.

1948-1949 Cont:-

Oct 26th Corrimal 225 def Dapto 106 and 88.

Nov 18th Thirroul def Dapto 155 (Yates 57). Bowling for Dapto Rutledge 3-29 and Ellison 5-82. Dapto 2nd innings 76 (Bailey 21) Thirroul 2nd innings 1-16. Dapto were without Lucraft and W Hazelton.

Dec 9 Dapto collapsed against Woonona being all out 52 and 58. Woonona 4-179. Dapto's fielding was a disgrace and unless there is a vast improvement they wont remain in 1st grade.

Dec 16th Dapto again is facing defeat at the hands of Port- batting first Dapto could only score 89. Longbottom and A Swan 29 each. Port are already 18 runs in front 3-107. The fielding of Bailey was 1st class taking a hot C&B chance. Port dec. 3-107 on 2nd day and Dapto managed 95. Hanna, Port's Captain reversed the batting order but the experiment backfired and with 2 runs to get the last two batsman were in.

Dec 16th 2nd Grade Mount Kembla 200. (A Hayes 5-48) def Dapto 139 (A Hayes top score with 20).

Jan 20th Port Kembla 228 (A Hayes 2-48). Dapto all out collapsing in the fading light.

Jan 27th Dapto 1st grade could only muster 68 in their 1st innings against Corrimbal, but provided Corrimbal with a shock dismissing 5 batsmen for 36 and had Trollope been run out when yards out of his crease the leaders of the comp would have been behind on 1st innings. However Trollope 26 NOT OUT. and Stiff 21 enabled them to reach 97. Rutledge 3-38, Ellison 3-20 and Bailey 3-25 bowled well. The 2nd day Dapto were expected to make a game of the match. However they only managed 63 leaving Corrimbal 48 to win which they achieved easily losing 3-58.

Jan 29th 2nd grade. Cringila 208 (A Hayes 3-45, D McKay 2-44, D Donaldson 3-54) def Dapto 6-67.

Feb 10th Dapto 1st grade break the ice. With four wickets in hand Dapto have established a lead of 16 runs over Thirroul. Dapto have not won a match in senior grade, but have a good chance of opening their account in this match. Thirroul totalled 84. Emery , Rutledge bagging the first 5 wickets. Dapto started their innings shakily losing the first two wickets without a run being scored. When Longbottom joined E Stair 3 wickets down for 3 runs. However Longbottom and Stair became associated in a partnership of 85. When Longbottom was dismissed for 55. Stair soon followed out for 31. All out for 109. The 2nd days play Dapto withstood Thirroul's second innings challenge of 116 (E Rutledge 6-49) Dapto began their 2nd innings needing 91 runs in 90 minutes and scored 95 for the loss of 5 wickets. Longbottom 25 not out

Feb 10th 2nd grade Unanderra 179 (Brown 3-38, Hayes 2-26) def Dapto 149 (K Wells 31).

Feb 24th Woonona sent in by Dapto to bat scored the big score of 315 (E Rutledge out of form taking 1-97) (D Payne 4-37). Dapto 1st innings reply 93 Longbottom 26 not out. Dapto 2nd innings 57 Longbottom 18 not out.

March 3rd Wollongong 129 (Payne 4-62, Longbottom 4-36). Dapto 4-33 2nd day play abandoned due to rain. End of season.

Season 1949-1950

During the year the secretary resigned and J Bain was elected sec. and A Langlois assist sec. The annual meeting held in the supper room of the agricultural hall 30-8-49.

Election of Officers.

Patrons	J J. Fitzpatrick, H Beattie
President	M Seldon
Sec Treas	J Bain

A motion was passed authorising the sec. to purchase 2 protectors. Dapto commenced the season against Wollongong who dec. 5-191 (McKay 1-22, Ellison 1-48 and Hayes 1-21). 2nd days play Dapto provided weak resistance against Wollongong's representative speed attack of McDonald and West- only double figure scores were Beattie 16 and A Hayes 15 NOT OUT. Wollongong won on 1st innings.

Oct 7th 2nd grade Port def Dapto 75 and 23.

Oct 20th Dapto batsmen failed against Woonona being dismissed for 78. Woonona declared 5-155 (Bowling D McKay 1-26, Ellison 0-24, Hayes 0-9, Hobbs 3-17 and W Jaffray 1-45). Dapto 2nd innings 70 (Hobbs 17, Hayes 9 NOT OUT. T/S).

Nov 3rd Dapto bats could only muster up 87 runs against Corrimal (J Jaffray 25, D Bailey 25). Corrimal quickly scored 190. 2nd day Dapto batted well to score 216 against last years premiers in the 2nd innings- B Dimond 66, J Jaffray 56. Corrimal required 115 to win and did so with 3 minutes of play remaining.

1949-1950 Cont:-

Nov 3rd 2nd grade Dapto 21 V Wollongong 6-94.

Nov 10th 1st grade West after an easy 1st innings win declined to force the follow on thus giving Dapto their 1st point for the season. The scores Wests 4-240 (Bowling Beattie 1-31, B Hazelton 0-18, K Thomas 0-48, W Jaffray 0-24, J Bain 0-11, D Bailey 1-39 and Hobbs 2-28). Dapto 1st innings 143 (W Jaffray 45, A Swan 40 and W Hazelton 31)

Nov 24th Keira thrashes Dapto.

Dec 1st Thirroul 103 def Dapto outright in one afternoon- Dapto 22 and 57.

Dec 16th 2nd grade Dapto 54 and 46 lost to Cringila 91 (Hayes 5-22 and McKay 3-39).

Dec 15th 1st grade Dapto fought back against Port Kembla who dec 5-159 in an endeavour to gain 1st innings points on the first day (Hayes 2-44, McKay 0-34, Ellison 3-34).

Dapto 6 for 78 are not expected to pass the Port score but could limit them to a 1st innings win. On the 2nd day Dapto increased the score to 117 but collapsed in 2nd for 47.

Jan 4th 1950 Wollongong 6-195 def Dapto. Former 2nd grade players Ray Kelly and N Clifford created some excitement in scoring a 110 run partnership in 40 mins. Wollongong won on 1st innings.

Jan 11th Dapto failed to beat Woonona by 3 runs.

Corrimal wins

Thrilling Finish at Dapto

(By "Owzal")

Premiers Corrimal went to Dapto last week expecting an outright win by three o'clock. They got it at three minutes to six—and then only after a hurricane 2nd innings knock of 4-115. The winning hit was made off the last ball of the second last over of the match.

Kangaroo International Rob Dimond, who hit up an invigorating 66 helped Dapto stage its amazing recovery after trailing 104 runs on the first innings. J. Jaffray also passed the 50 mark

CORRIMAL FIGHTS BACK.

Paced with the alternatives of standing for dishonourable 1st. Innings win or risking everything for an outright, Corrimal baulkmen Bignell, Trollope and Co. did the right thing and flung their bats at everything within reach—even if they had to stretch. As they had only 50 minutes to bat this meant they had to score at almost 21 runs per minute—but they made it.

During the afternoon 321 runs were scored—a commendable effort. I suppose you've heard about the Melbourne visitor who asked a few weeks ago: "What are those statues in that park?" and was informed:—"They're not statues. That's Woonona playing Western Buburba."

CORRIMAL v. DAPTO.	
Dapto, 1st. Innings	5. 07
Dapto—2nd. Innings	
R. Dimond c. Bignell	0
R. Hutton	66
J. Jaffray c. Ralton, b. McGoldrick	56
R. Hutton b. Kirkland	3
W. Jaffray b. Hutton	20
A. Hobbs c. Willoughby, b. Hutton	26
D. Hallay c. Bignall, b. Hutton	20
A. Bignall b. Hutton	6
A. Hutton c. and b. Kirkland	12
J. Bain c. and b. Hutton	0
A. Wells c. and b. Kirkland	3
Thomas not out	0
Bundies	3
Total	216
Bowling: Kirkland 3-63, dal Banto 0-20, J. McGoldrick 1-34, Ralton 0-73, R. Trollope 0-1, Corrimal, 1st. Innings	191
Corrimal—2nd. Innings.	
R. Bignell c. Dimond, b. Jaffray	0
R. Trollope c. Jaffray	0
Thomas	27
Bignall b. Thomas	5
Kirkland not out	10
Willoughby c. Jaffray	0
Thomas	1
dal Banto not out	5
Bundies	13
Total 4-115	
Bowling: Bain 0-42, Hobbs 0-17, Thomas 2-17, Jaffray 1-24	

MELODRAMA AT BULLI.

Scenes resembling the famous Charlot Race in "Ben Hur" were witnessed at Bulli Sportsground last Saturday, when another link was forged in the chain with which local trotters are apparently trying to strangle Woonona Cricket Club.

It was hoped that after the incidents of the previous week the cricketers would be allowed to enjoy the oval in peace, but if peradventure is a virtue there are some trotting drivers in this dis-

trict who will qualify for a front seat in Paradise.

Noted North Wollongong horseman, "Jockey" Elliott, was the caterpillar in the salad last Saturday. Although there is a strict rule that no trotters shall use the track while competition cricket is in progress, Mr. Elliott for a time successfully ignored pleas, commands and finally threats.

However, every occasion produces a man, and so Umpire Bill Walker staggered on to the track with a log of wood as big as himself, and stood in the path of the oncoming gig like Ajax defying the elements. Had he remained there, the acute shortage of umpires would have been accentuated, for the gig hurtled past like a shot out of a rocket gun.

At last the driver realised that if he attempted to circle the course again he would find it barricaded with everything including the kitchen sink and so the matter temporarily ended—to be revisited by Len Worthington and Harry Blood at the next meeting of the Bulli Sportsground Local Committee.

ANTI-CLIMAX.

Spectators at Bulli were disappointed when the trotting incident ended without bloodshed, for it would be difficult to imagine anything more anaemic than the cricket.

Replies to Woonona's 110, Thirroul followed its 1st. Innings 44 with an equally pathetic 0. Left-hander Kevin Flood played a nice knock for 23, and his hook shots off Len Worthington would have been pretty to watch had he connected. Except for these undignified swipes he played a singularly intelligent innings getting right behind the ball and middling it with his bat, and he impressed as the most promising of Thirroul's younger school of batsmen.

Woonona bowlers seem to be taking it in turn to get among the wickets, latest to come good being Keith Worthington, who snared 4 for 0 from 5 overs. Flood took 3-18 from 11 overs (4 maidens) making his match figures 10-30. Hobbs, Flood and the two Worthingtons have now between them taken 40 wickets for 304 runs at 8 apiece. The highest total registered against Woonona is Woots' 79—and all this has been done without Mick Woods.

WENTH WALLPED.

Keira, as expected, closed at its over-week score of 7-151, and annihilated Woots.

Opener Peter Beattie batted soundly in top scoring with 20, but Woods again batted badly and could reach only 80. Galsley, who had 2-1 at one stage, finished with 4-24.

THE BARE FOOTED BOWLING FIASCO

When Dapto players assembled at the shop to journey to Woonona on Saturday last the team was one man short. Opening bowler N Beattie absent. As usual on away matches we were to pick up J Jaffray on the corner of Keira and Crown Street's- John a barber at Ern Webbs Hairdressing Salon worked Saturdays until 1:00pm. Arriving at the pick up point talking to John was "Choom" David McKay who had just arrived from Sydney by train so we conned him into making up the eleven.

Dapto batted first scoring 96. Choom not having any cricket attire with him, we decided, so as he could bowl to exchange shirts with one of the other fieldsmen - that was O.K but the footwear was a problem. So he bowled barefooted and picked up three quick wickets, but on the arrival of Woonona's Captain Bill Bemi he promptly refused to bat unless the bowler wore white footwear as laid down in laws of correct attire.

A quick discussion and it was decided that Lofty Langlois was the only player with boots resembling "boats". Choom managed to squeeze his feet into them and the two remaining balls of the over was completed.

Bill Bemi being at the bowlers end had not faced a ball. Bowling from the other end I cleaned up his middle stump. As he walked past me he mumbled you wouldn't have bowled me if I had not been upset over the bare feet. However the following batsman suffered the same fate as the scores show. No hat-trick though. Crimped toes or not Choom snared three more wickets giving his best ever of 6-33 (A Hayes)

Failed by 3 To Beat Woonona

After J. Jaffray and A. Swan, with a solid partnership, had laid the foundations, fast bowler McKay and Hayes "batted" by three runs to dismiss Woonona, to register Dapto's first victory of the season.

Woonona won the toss and sent Dapto in to bat. The Worthington brothers immediately had the visitors in difficulty. The first four wickets fell with only 18 runs scored.

Left-handet A. Swan joined J. Jaffray, who had been bating solidly. Swan handled K. Worthington comfortably and when G. Rhodes relieved L. Worthington, this pair added runs in even time.

K. Worthington broke the partnership when he beat Jaffray with an outswinger.

Keith Worthington was the only Woonona bowler to trouble the batsmen. He bowled six of his seven victims and got the other lbw. Four catches dropped from his bowling could have improved his figures.

Woonona began disastrously against the attack of Hayes and McKay. The second, third and fourth wickets fell for the addition of one run. Bemi and Jones both hit successive balls on to their wickets.

K. Worthington survived the hat-trick only to see Rhodes and Fairfax dismissed with the score at 48.

Last man, Hargreaves, faced the final attack with confidence. With Col. Smith, he scored the 10 runs required to win.

McKay bowled exceptionally well and deserved his six wickets. He was given good support by Hayes. J. Jaffray took two excellent catches in slips.

DAPTO—1st Innings

J. Jaffray, b K. Worthington	20
R. Diamond, b K. Worthington	2
W. Jaffray, b K. Worthington	0
A. Langhorne, b L. Worthington	3
A. Hobbs, b K. Worthington	1
A. Swan, b K. Worthington	25
J. Ellison, b K. Worthington	6
A. Burrow, b Sutherland	12
A. Hayes, lbw b K. Worthington	8
D. McKay, v Carpenter, b Sutherland	2
N. Brown, not out	0
Sundries	4
Total	88

Bowling: L. Worthington, 1-18, K. Worthington, 7-39, G. Rhodes 0-18, P. Hargreaves 0-18, J. Sutherland 2-15.

WOONONA—1st Innings

G. Bemi, b Jaffray, b McKay	20
R. Large, c Burrow, b McKay	0
Key	1
G. Carpenter, c Jaffray, b McKay	0
W. Bemi, b Hayes	0
B. Jones, b Hayes	0
K. Worthington, b McKay	33
G. Rhodes, b McKay	0
J. Sutherland, b Ellison	14
G. Smith, not out	10
L. Worthington, c Swan, b McKay	0
P. Hargreaves, lbw b Ellison	1
Sundries	1
Total	98

Bowling: A. Hayes 2-11, D. McKay 6-33, W. Jaffray 0-10, G. Ellison 2-15.

DAPTO—2nd Innings

J. Jaffray, c Large, b Hargreaves	13
R. Diamond, c L. Worthington, b Rhodes	0
W. Jaffray, not out	11
A. Swan, c Bemi, b Hargreaves	0
A. Burrow, not out	4
Sundries	0
3 wickets for	40

Jan 23rd Low scores were the order of the day in the Corrimbal V Dapto match. Dapto lost a golden opportunity to lead on the 1st inns when they dismissed Corrimbal for 79. W Jaffray bowling on a sticky wicket was the destroyer taking 8 wickets for 37. No batsman played with any confidence only the tail wagged. The last two bats taking the long handle boosted the score. Dapto began well with 3-39 but with the introduction of Corrimbal's two spinners they were all out for 30. J McGoldrick's 1st over 3-0 and Rafton went one better Taking 4-0. 7 wickets in two overs.

2nd day Dapto 78 in 2nd innings (J Stiff 44) Corrimbal 129- Ellison 9-31.

1949-1950 Cont:-

Feb 13th Dapto 87 V Wests 2-92 rain washed out play.

Feb 20th Keira 5-121 dec. def. Dapto 33 and 69.

March 7th Thirroul 126 (W Jaffray 5-36) V Dapto 6-94 (W Jaffray 51 NOT OUT.). Rain washed out play.

Keira minor premiers.

Season 1950-1951

Annual General Meeting held in supper room Agriculture Hall 18th September 1950.

Patrons J J Fitzpatrick, H Beattie
President M Seldon
Sec. Treas J Bain

Oct 9th Thirroul made only a modest total of 102 against Dapto. Small as Thirroul's total was Dapto could only scratch up 74. Veterans G Ellison and A Hayes the only double figures with 18 and 17 respectively.

Dapto v. Thirroul

Thirroul 1st. Innings.

P. Cooney, c Swan b Hayes	10
R. Frost b Ellison	1
R. Murphy b Ellison	5
R. Sylvander c Jaffray b Beattie	4
R. Orchard c Ellison b Beattie	1
B. Fisher, c Swan b Wells	25
E. Woods b Beattie	0
W. Everett c Swan b Beattie	2
R. Brown not out	32
R. Large b Wells	4
J. Carey c W. Jaffray b Wells	12
Sundries	6
 Total	102

Bowling: G. Ellison 2-35, A. Hayes 1-8, N. Beattie 4-15, W. Jaffray 0-11, A. Wells 3-27.

2nd days play Thirroul scored 96 in their 2nd innings (Beattie 3-28, Hayes 1-31, Wells 3-8, Jaffray 2-4. Dapto 2nd innings 5-129 (R Hazelton 43). Dapto won outright.

It is rumoured that Henry Longbottom will don the flannels for Dapto this season. It is hoped so as he will make a huge difference to the batting and bowling.

Oct 23rd West 145 (G Ellison 3-17, A Hayes 1-8, H Longbottom 1-39, W Jaffray 1-31, Hobbs 3-22). Dapto 65 lost on 1st innings.

Nov 6th Wollongong 126 (Ellison 4-26, A Hobbs 4-28). Dapto 1st innings 75. Dapto 2nd innings 5-134 (Longbottom 61 not out., Beattie 27 not out.) Wollongong 2nd innings 91 (N Beattie 7-16). Dapto won outright.

Nov 13th Dapto crashed for 46 against Woonona (Longbottom 16, A Swan 10, A Hayes 5 NOT OUT.) Woonona 4-100 at stumps.

1950-1951 Cont:-

Competition leaders Dapto look set to lose their brief but glorious reign when they resume against Woonona who is already 55 in front with 6 wickets in hand.

Woonona closed 4-101 on the second day. Dapto on a rain affected pitch could only muster 49. Woonona outright.

14th Dec Dapto defeats Port. Port 1st innings 116 (Longbottom 4-40, A Hayes 3-34). Dapto 1st innings 102 (Jaffray 15). Port 2nd innings 8-117 (Beattie 2-30, Hayes 1-29, Longbottom 1-26, Hobbs 2-25). Dapto 2nd innings 4-135. Dapto outright.

Dec 20th Match of the day Dapto V Corrimal the two most improved teams in the competition. Dapto batting first failed badly scoring 55. Beattie 11 not out. H/S. Corrimal's reply 7-153 dec. Dapto bowling: Beattie 0-15, Hayes 0-11, Ellison 2-39, Longbottom 2-28, Hobbs 0-14, W Jaffray 1-38. 2nd day a much improved wicket. Dapto amassed a big score 3-201 (Longbottom 100 not out., J Jaffray 37, W Jaffray 53 not out.) Dapto lost on 1st innings.

Dapto Defeated Despite Longbottom's Century

Henry Longbottom returned to the list of century-makers last Saturday when he hit three sixes and seven fours in a chanceless 100 not out in Dapto's second knock against Corrimal. However, Dapto was beaten on the first innings.

1st GRADE COMP POINTS
Dapto, although beaten by Corrimal, still holds on to the second place in the competition ladder, but Keira has increased its lead.

Here are the points:
Keira 40, Dapto 32, Corrimal 29, Port Kembla 25, Wollongong 24, Woonona 23, Western Suburbs 18, Thirroul 9.

Hat-trick to Lear

Corrimal spin bowler, Johnny Lear took the hat-trick against Dapto when he obtained the wickets of Hazelton, Hobbs and Hayes with successive deliveries.

Lear, who also dismissed star bat Henry Longbottom for 8, finished with 5-11.

Dapto's meagre total of 55 presented no difficulties to Corrimal, who closed at 7-153. Skipper 'Scout' Willoughby played a good knock for his 38 while Trollope made 24 and Geary 20 not out. John Jaffray did some nice work behind the stumps, where he caught out one batsman, stumped another and assisted in two run-outs.

A SIZZLING CENTURY
Dapto went to the wickets again, needing nearly 100 to save an innings loss, but what a change was seen in their second innings.

Instead of, batting like a team struggling to avert outright defeat, Dapto belted up 201 for the loss of only three wickets. Longbottom pasted three sixes and seven fours in his scintillating, glorious century, Bill Jaffray (who helped Longbottom put on 97 in an unfinished fourth wicket partnership) clouted two sixes and five fours in an entertaining 53 not out, and John Jaffray made 37. Lear, who had demoralised Dapto in the first innings, took only 1-43.

It was another of Dapto's remarkable 2nd innings recoveries, for which they have already become justly famous. Had this match been played over two afternoons instead of being a one-day fixture, it is quite on the cards that Dapto would have once again come from behind to win.

Henry Longbottom has already passed the 300 runs for the season whilst no other batsman has reached 200.

Dec 23rd Dapto forced a draw with Keira in their one day match even though J Stapleton's double of 70 runs and 5-38 with the ball. Dapto was saved yet again by Longbottom with 60 NOT OUT. in Dapto's score of 8-152. Keira 7-216 (Beattie 0-49, Hayes 1-24, Hobbs 4-57, Longbottom 2-59, Ellison 0-15, W Jaffray 0-18.

JANUARY 15, 1951 ONE DAY MATCH VERSUS THIRROUL

Dapto, confident early in the afternoon of winning, would have been hard pressed to pass Thirroul's 229. However, rain washed out play after one over had been bowled in Dapto's innings, and the game ended in a draw.

The three remaining 1st Grade games were also abandoned when the rain set in.

HECTOR'S HECTIC HITTING

Freeman's century was the first ever registered on Thirroul's turf wicket by a Thirroul player, although Jim Laird of Northern Districts and Max Hanna of Illawarra have made three-figure scores on this ground.

He brought up his century in 45 minutes beating by ten minutes the previous fastest hundred ever bowled by a Thirroul cricketer. Bill Everett's 100 in 55 minutes for Thirroul against Woonona in 1943-44.

Max Hanna is reputed to have scored a century in Illawarra 1st Grade cricket in 44 minutes. Freeman's time was one minute slower than this, although when he had scored the first 87 runs in 27 minutes he seemed certain to break Hanna's record. However, a lost ball slowed him up a bit, and after this he reverted to the scoring rate of ordinary mortals to reach his 100 in three-quarters of an hour and his 112 in 55 minutes.

HAYES CAUSES HAVOC

When Thirroul had lost 6-45 early (five of them being bagged by Hayes, who also caught out the sixth man) things didn't look so hot for the Northerners. Then tail-ender Jack Cary, who had been sent in when the score was 5-39 in the hope that his big hitting would produce a change in the game, began to open his shoulders.

While Cary was at the wicket the tally moved on from 5-39 to 7-81, and of these 42 runs Jack scored 40, including 2 sixes and 5 fours.

Once again Cary had demonstrated that he could score more runs than most of Thirroul's recognised batsmen, but even better was to come.

RECORD EIGHTH-WICKET PARTNERSHIP

He Freeman joined Bill Bolt, and before this pair were separated by a well-directed missile from Ellison they had added 122 runs in a record breaking eighth wicket partnership.

Freeman, of course, in making the first century of his career, dominated the scoring. It was a grand, entertaining innings, marked by good, clean hitting that was a delight to the eye.

It is interesting to note that Bill Bolt scored 23 of 158 runs made while he was at the wicket. While he played second fiddle to both Freeman and Cary, it was a valuable knock.

Hayes, although he was unable to add to his early successes, was the best Dapto bowler, with 5-43, while Ellison cleaned up the tail-enders to finish with 4-41. Longbottom had 39 runs pasted from two overs in taking one wicket, and other Dapto bowlers to have their averages man-handled were Beattie, Hobbs and Len Jaffray.

Dapto's innings terminated at no wickets for six after one over when the rain pelted down. Within 20 minutes the pitch was under water and the game was abandoned.

Incidentally, I noticed a couple of Henry Longbottom's young sons conducting a private practice of their own. Judging by the power they were putting into their shots, they look like proving chips off the old block.

1st GRADE SCORES

THIRROUL v. DAPTO

THIRROUL—First Innings.

W. Everett, c and b Hayes	8
R. Orchard, c Beattie, b Hayes	9
R. Murphy, lbw, b Hayes	0
R. Annis-Brown, c and b Hayes	3
K. Frost, c Hayes, b Ellison	9
E. Woods, b Hayes	8
J. Cary, c Hobbs, b Longbottom	40
W. Bolt, b Ellison	23
H. Freeman, not out	112
K. Sylvander, c Beattie, b Ellison	1
P. Cooney, b Ellison	3
Sundries	3
Total	229

Bowling: Ellison 4-41, Beattie 0/45, Hayes 5/43, Longbottom 1-39, Hobbs 0/23, W. Jaffray 0/28.

1st GRADE HONOUR ROLL

BATTING

H. Freeman (Th) n.o.	112
G. Russell (K)	47
J. Cary (Th)	40

BOWLING

R. Jobson (PK)	5-26
A. Hayes (D)	5-43
G. Ellison (D)	4-41

Jan 29th 1951

Wollongong 156 (Beattie 1-11, Ellison 1-25, Hayes 4-28, Longbottom 3-6) 2nd innings 1-35 (Hayes 0-4, Longbottom, Ellison 0-10, Wells 0-4). Dapto 1st innings 119 (Longbottom 56, Hayes 13 NOT OUT.) rain washed out further play

THE PLAYERS COULD BE IN THE RUNNING

THESE PLAYERS COULD BE IN THE RUNNING

Last Thursday we published the leading 1st. grade averages, qualification 150 runs or 15 wickets.

There are, of course, many players who have done well in one or two matches, but who have not taken enough wickets or scored enough runs to figure in the official averages. In many cases another good effort could put them well in the running, and their present averages are given below so that their future performances can be watched with interest.

It will be noted that Dal Santo's bowling average is actually a shade better than that of Stapleton and Lear, who share the lead in the official bowling table published last week.

STAPLETON RACES AWAY IN BOWLING.

Keira all-rounder Harold Stapleton has raced away to such an unassassable lead in the bowling premiership that he could take none for 130 in his next match and still have a better bowling average than his nearest rival Keith Worthington.

Stapleton and Worthington have both registered outstanding all-round performances, Stapleton being first in the bowling and third in the batting, while Worthington is second in the bowling and fourth in the batting.

Corinal spin bowler Johnny Lear, who formerly shared the lead in the bowling table with Stapleton has dropped back in to third place as the result of the merciless pounding he re-

ceived last week from Jack Treanor. Still, it's an ill wind that blows nobody any good, and Treanor has accordingly moved into second place on the batting list.

However the batting premiership appears to be sewn up by Dapto star Henry Longbottom, who, with the colossal aggregate of 444 and average of 74, is far ahead of any other wicket-wielder.

An interesting feature is the appearance in the bowling table of four Dapto trundlers—Hayes, Ellison, Beattie and Longbottom. This is the highest representation Dapto has ever had in the Club's history.

Longbottom continues to be at the top of those who have qualified for the batting, and at the bottom of those who have qualified for the bowling.

Here are the complete 1st Grade averages, qualification 150 runs or 16 wickets.

BATTING	I	N.O.	I.S.	TOT	Avg.	BOWLING	WKTs.	RUNS	Avg.
Longbottom (D)	11	8	100x	444	74.0	Stapleton (K)	46	278	6.0
Treanor (K)	7	2	77	226	45.2	K. Worthington (Wnu.) ...	45	104	8.0
Stapleton (K)	9	3	116	217	41.1	Lear (C)	20	180	9.0
K. Worthington (Wnu.)	7	2	60x	167	33.4	E. Woods (Th.)	17	174	10.2
Russell (K)	10	1	69	262	29.1	Cary (Th.)	25	263	10.5
Hanna (PK)	9	0	133	258	28.0	L. Worthington (Wnu.) ...	31	335	10.8
Fairs (Wnu.)	9	2	45	164	23.4	West (Wg.)	23	257	11.1
Willoughby (C)	12	1	65x	234	21.2	Everett (Th.)	31	358	11.5
Webley (PK)	8	0	48	169	21.1	Orvad (C)	16	193	12.0
Gifford (Wg.)	12	0	79	250	20.8	Carr (Wg.)	18	210	12.1
T. Large (Wnu.)	11	0	62	213	19.3	Hayes (D)	18	221	12.2
J. Murray (WS)	11	0	42	195	17.7	Simon (PK)	18	237	13.1
Orchard (Th.)	11	0	50	185	16.8	MacDonald (Wg.)	23	312	13.5
Everett (Th.)	13	0	64	215	16.5	H. Murray (Wg.)	17	244	14.3
Beml (Wnu.)	11	0	112	176	16.0	Ellison (D)	19	279	14.0
Geary (C)	14	2	63	185	15.4	N. Beattie (D)	20	313	15.6
W. Justiny (D)	13	1	63x	160	14.0	Atcheson (WS)	17	315	18.5
Huff (C)	14	2	42x	165	13.7	Longbottom (D)	18	375	20.8

AUB. BLACK HEADS FIELDING

Connaisseurs of cricket will be surprised to learn that Western Suburbs' wicketkeeper Aub Black heads the season's fielding averages, with 6 catches and 7 stumpings, a total of 13 dismissals.

Black lacks the polish of some of our class-keeper 'keepers, but he certainly gets results.

NAME	CT.	STPD.	TOT
Black (WS)	6	7	13
Trollope (C)	11	0	11
J. Jusiny (D)	10	1	11
Beml (Wnu.)	10	0	10
Burrows (Wg.)	4	6	10
E. Woods (Th.)	9	0	9
Gifford (Wg.)	9	0	9
Willoughby (C)	7	2	9
McDowell (PK)	8	0	8
Stapleton (K)	8	0	8

Feb 12th Dapto V Woonona

Woonona 137 (A Hayes 4-37, Longbottom 4-39, Ellison 1-11, Beattie 0-21, McKinnon 0-14).

1951-1952 Cont:-

DAPTO, v. WOONONA	
Woonona, 1st. Innings	.... 137
Dapto—1st. Innings	
J. Jaffray c L. Worthington,	
b K. Worthington	.... 1
L. Dare b K. Worthington	20
A. Swan b K. Worthington	37
M. Longbottom lbw, b L.	
Worthington	.... 24
N. Beattie b Robinson	.... 23
R. Hazelton c Beattie, b K.	
Worthington	.... 25
K. Wells b L. Worthington	.. 0
C. McKenna b Robinson	.... 0
R. Evans c Longbottom, b	
K. Worthington	.... 18
A. Hayes c Woodford, b Beattie	34
G. Ellison not out	.... 8
Sundries	.... 15
Total	.... 205
Bowling: L. Worthington	2-38
K. Worthington	5-80, C. Robinson
2/39, Beattie	1-2, Woodford
0-1, Phillips	0-7, Carpenter 0-14.

Feb 26th 1951 Dapto V Port Kembla

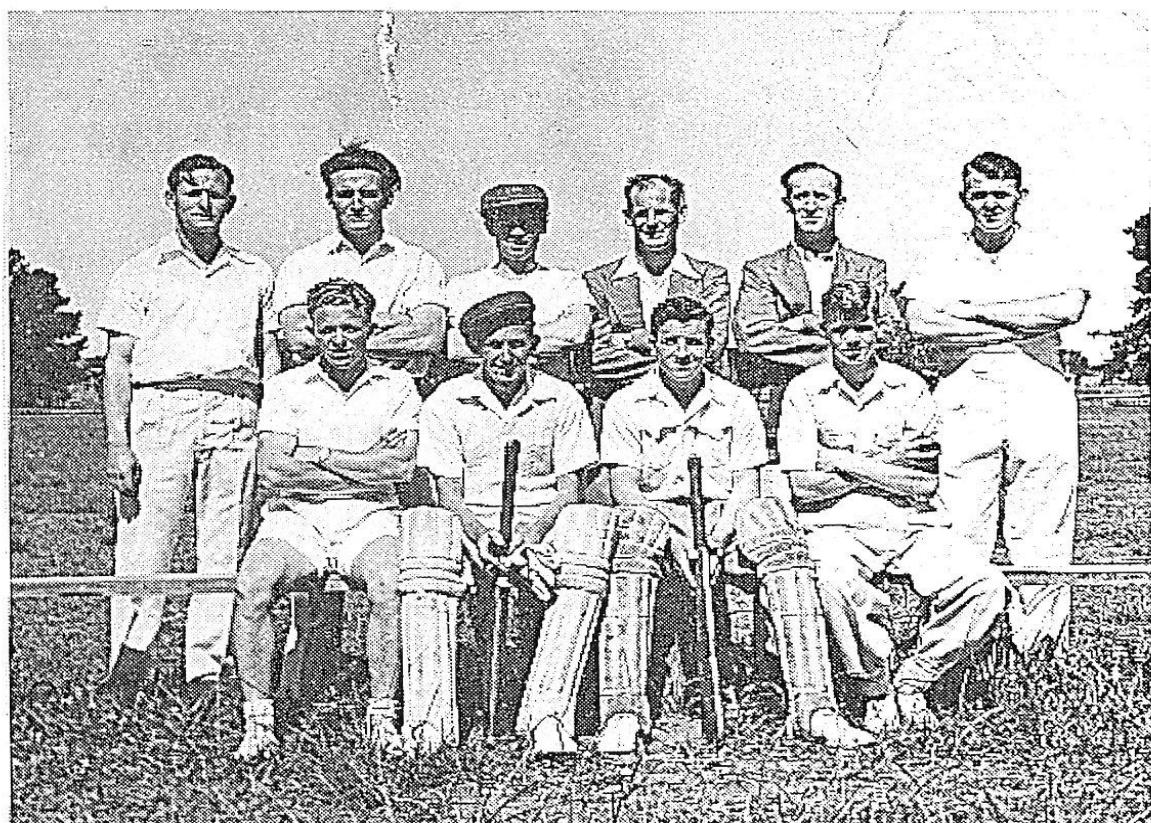
Port 132 (Longbottom 5-42, Beattie 4-40). Dapto 1st innings 78 (J Jaffray 29). Port 2nd innings 112 (Beattie 3-24, Hayes 1-24, Longbottom 1-37, Ellison 4-23).

Note: Bill Jaffray did not bat-reported he has gone to S.A.

March 8th 1951 Dapto V Corrimbal

Corrimbal 152 (Beattie 3-24, Longbottom 5-31, Hayes 0-27, Ellison 1-15). Dapto 65 and 61 were well beaten.

The 1946 or 1949 Team ?



Back Row John Bain, Bob Dimond, Albert Burrows, Bob Hazelton, Allan Swan, Keith Thomas, **Front Row** Bill Jaffray, Arthur Hobbs, John Jeffray, Keith Wells.
Photo courtesy of Keith Thomas.

1950-1951 ILLAWARRA DISTRICT AVERAGES

Individual performances registered by the players of each of the 1st Grade sides.

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OFFICIAL BATTING		BOWLER		OFFICIAL BOWLING		BOWLING		AVERAGES	
BATSMAN		I.	N.O.	H.S.	Total	Avg.	Wkts.	Runs	Avg.
Longbottom (D)	..	16	5	100x	633	48.4	..	..	5.7
Treanor (K)	..	11	2	77	308	34.2	..	..	6.5
Stapleton (K)	..	13	3	116	317	31.7	..	..	6.9
Russell (K)	..	10	1	69	262	29.1	..	..	7.3
Delavere (K)	..	10	2	66	221	27.6	..	..	8.0
McDowell (PK)	..	8	0	79	220	27.5	..	..	8.1
Hanna (PK)	..	15	0	133	397	26.4	..	..	9.2
K. Worthington (Wna.)	..	11	2	60x	208	23.1	..	..	10.0
B. Watt (WS)	..	16	1	109	324	21.6	..	..	10.3
Willoughby (C)	..	17	2	65x	323	21.5	..	..	10.3
T. Large (Wna.)	..	16	1	62	302	20.1	..	..	10.3
Harrison (PK)	..	13	1	49	211	17.5	..	..	10.3
Geary (C)	..	19	2	63	296	17.4	..	..	11.3
Bemi (Wna.)	..	14	0	112	243	17.3	..	..	11.3
J. Murray (WS)	..	16	1	42	230	16.4	..	..	11.4
Gifford (WG)	..	19	0	79	308	16.2	..	..	11.6
Beckett (PK)	..	15	2	34	207	15.9	..	..	11.6
Everett (Th)	..	2c	0	64	275	13.7	..	..	11.6
Frost (Th)	..	16	0	40	202	12.6	..	..	12.1
Ewin (WS)	..	17	0	38	211	12.4	..	..	12.1
OTHER BATTING		AVERAGES		AVERAGES		AVERAGES		AVERAGES	
BATSMAN		I.	N.O.	H.S.	Total	Avg.	Wkts.	Runs	Avg.
Freeman (Th)	..	8	2	112x	147	24.5	..	..	9.1
Wibley (PK)	..	8	0	48	169	21.1	..	..	11.6
Cullen (WS)	..	7	0	50	139	19.8	..	..	12.7
Fairs (Wna.)	..	12	2	45	193	19.3	..	..	13.3
Tooth (K)	..	10	0	63	171	17.1	..	..	13.8
Orchard (Th)	..	13	0	50	198	15.2	..	..	14.1
Lea (WG)	..	19	5	32	199	14.2	..	..	14.1
W. Jaffray (D)	..	14	1	53x	169	13.0	..	..	14.1
N. Beattie (D)	..	18	3	45x	194	12.9	..	..	14.1
Carpenter (Wna.)	..	14	1	63	163	12.5	..	..	14.1
Stiff (C)	..	17	2	42x	183	12.2	..	..	14.1
N. Watt (K)	..	11	2	36	108	12.0	..	..	14.1
Boyer (PK)	..	14	0	35	159	11.3	..	..	14.1
A. Smith (WS)	..	15	1	44	157	11.2	..	..	14.1
Trollope (C)	..	17	1	37	178	11.1	..	..	14.1
H. Murray (WG)	..	18	1	49	187	11.0	..	..	14.1
E. Woods (Th)	..	19	1	48	197	10.9	..	..	14.1
Ough (WG)	..	15	0	64	164	10.9	..	..	14.1
Black (WS)	..	16	3	44	135	10.3	..	..	14.1
Cary (Th)	..	15	2	40	134	10.3	..	..	14.1
Hazelton (D)	..	15	2	43	118	9.0	..	..	14.1
Murphy (Th)	..	20	1	29	133	7.0	..	..	14.1

1950-1951 Cont:-

April 2nd 1951. Dapto on a rain affected wicket were defeated by Keira 80 to 33. Last match of the season. Dapto performed well but still the premiership eludes them. Minor grade results not reported.

Season 1951-1952

The Annual General Meeting held in Timbs Saloon in August.

Election of Officers

Patrons: H H Beattie, J J Fitzpatrick

President: M Seldon

Secretary Treas: H Longbottom

Note: 7/9/1951 following H Longbottoms resignation Alan Hayes was elected to the secretary's position. Ball fees were increased to £0/2/0 20cents) to offset increased cost.

Oct 3rd 1951

First match of the season Dapto sent in to bat. Could only manage 66 runs (J Jaffray 29 NOT OUT., A Hayes 20). John Jaffray opening bat carried his throughout the Dapto innings of 66. The only batsman giving any support was Alan Hayes who contributed 20. With 11 sundries the rest of the side didn't score many- actually 6 runs between nine batsman. Wollongong scored 165. Dapto's 2nd innings a disaster caught on a wet wicket on the second day. All out 30- 1 batsman absent.

Oct 23rd Dapto again failed against Port scoring 119 (J Jaffray 32) and 64 to Port 1st innings 3 dec. 227- Port outright.

Nov 5th Dapto V Cringila. Cringila 1st innings 84 (Hayes 3-35, Ellison 0-32, Hobbs 3-52, M Hurry 0-15, Tuckey 0-23). Cringila 2nd innings 7-162. Dapto 1st innings 9-90 and Dapto 2nd innings 6-69. Dapto 1st innings win by 6 runs.

Nov 19th 1951 Dapto V Corrimal. Corrimal 5-230 def. Dapto 89 and 142 outright- no details.

Dec 3rd 1951 Dapto V Thirroul. Dapto 30 (L Dare 9, K Wise 6, A Hayes 5 Top S. Thirroul 123 (Ellison 2-36, Hayes 2-23, Hobbs 4-79, R Morris 0-39). Dapto 2nd innings 103 (K Wise 35).

Dec 17th 1951 Dapto V Wests. Dapto 123 (J Blissendon 16, A Hobbs 18, A Hayes 17, G Jaffray 25). Wests 6-254 (A Hayes 2-70, A Hobbs 1-65, Ellison 2-61). Dapto 2nd innings 2-61 (A Hobbs 28).

Jan 14th 1952 Dapto V Balgownie. Dapto 92 (K Wise 37, M Evans 15). Balgownie 9-263 (Ellison 2-43, Hayes 2-42, Hobbs 1-60, Wise 0-11, McKay 3-91). Dapto 2nd innings 83 (A Hobbs 24).

Jan 21st 1952 Keira V Dapto. Keira 6-217 (R Morris 0-72, D McKay 1-21, A Hobbs 3-68, W Tuckey 2-34, K Wise 0-19). Dapto 1st innings 98 (A Hobbs 52, W Tuckey 20). Dapto 2nd innings 60 (K Wise 15, A Swan 13, A Hayes 31 NOT OUT.) Keira won outright.

1951-1952 Cont:-

Feb 11th 1952 Dapto V Woonona. Dapto 1st innings 59 (A Hobbs 22). Dapto 2nd innings 58. Woonona 164 (Morris 2-32, Ellison 1-21, Hayes 1-14, Hobbs 5-66). Woonona won outright.

Feb 25th 1952 Dapto V Woonona. Last round. Woonona 4-212 (M Hurry 3-51, A Hayes 1-44, A Hobbs 0-54, W Tuckey 0-34). Dapto 1st innings 105. Dapto 2nd innings trapped on a wet wicket scored 22- H/S 9. A Hobbs absent. Dapto had a disappointing season 7 players from the previous years team unavailable.

1951-1952 2nd Grade.

Two 2nd grade games reported.

Nov 26th 1952 Dapto 106. (R Hazelton 18, G Lindsay 16) def. by Keira 128 (N Hurry 1-20, G Jaffray 1-20, L House 0-17).

Feb 11th Keira 7-124 (R Hazelton 1-24, K Thomas 3-45, M Hurry 2-18). Dapto 48 (G Morris 15) and 32 (Fitzgerald 14).

1952-1953 2nd Grade B

Oct 3rd Dapto B v Cringila. Dapto 75 & 114, Cringila 58 & 46 (K Wells 7-33) Dapto won outright.

Oct 16th Dapto B v Wollongong, Wollongong 107, Dapto 17 & 75 Wollongong win outright

Nov 1st Dapto B v Keira Dapto 91 & 72 M Evans 34, C Sandy 27 Keira 175, C sandy 4-31 Keira win outright.

Nov 15th Dapto B v Balgownie Dapto 46 & 78 N Brown 24, J Williamson 24. Balgownie 55 & 147. J Hurry 5-1 Balgownie win outright

Nov 29th Dapto B v Woonona, Dapto 116 & 4-56 J Hurry 35, N Steele 29. Woonona 70 & 123 L House 7-51 & 5-17 J Hurry 5-46.

Dec 8th Dapto B v Port Kembla. Dapto 148 & 60 N Steele 28, M Evans 24, Port Kembla 189, J Hurry 3-43, L house 2-58, Port Kembla won on 1st innings.

Dec 12th, Dapto B v Wests B Dapto 60 & 45 A Swan 23, Wests 172, N Steele 5-61, Wests win outright.

Jan 10th 1953, Dapto B v Corrimbal A, Dapto 22 & 85 N Brown 22, L House 28, Corrimbal A 110. L House 3-35. Corrimbal A win outright

Jan 17th Dapto A v Dapto B, Dapto B 27 & 86 C Rutledge 39, L house 21, Dapto A 4-53 & 9-73, L House 5-27, Dapto A win outright

Jan 24th Dapto B v Thirroul Dapto B 146 & 77. C Rutledge 33, M Evans 27, Thirroul 71 & 75 L House 5-25 & 4-29, R Morris 2-25 J hurry 3-14 D Bailey 3-9 Dapto win outright.

Feb 7th Dapto B v Corrimbal B, Dapto B 79 & 5-63, L House 42, N Hurry 30, Corrimbal B 61 & 77, D Bailey 4-23 J Hurry 6-27, Dapto B win 1st innings

Feb 21st Dapto B v Wests A, Dapto B 60 & 74, L House 22, Wests A 116 & 66, J Hurry 7-19, Wests win outright

Season 1952-1953

Annual General Meeting Held Agricultural Hall 25th Aug 1952.
Election of Officers.

Patrons: J J Fitzpatrick, H H Beattie.

President: B Thorne

Sec-Tres: A Hayes.

Dapto to nominate 1st and 2nd grade. The I.D.C.A. decided to re-introduce 3rd grade.
Dapto did not enter.

Oct 4th Dapto V Port Kembla, Dapto played Port Kembla in their opening match of the season. Port scored the huge score of 420. Dapto replied with only 104 of which Longbottom scored 45 not out. 2nd innings Longbottom again NOT OUT scoring 30 in a total of 85.

Oct 20th Thirroul V Dapto. Thirroul 76 (Clarke 6-32, Beattie 3-26, Hayes 0-9, Longbottom 1-7). Dapto 1st innings 79 (Longbottom 29). Rain washed out 2nd days play.

3rd Nov. Dapto V Keira. Keira 1st innings 139 (Longbottom 3-28, B Thorne 3-19, J Clarke 2-19). Dapto 1st innings 76 (J Geall 20). Dapto 2nd innings 131 (K Faulks 22, J Clarke 37). Keira 2nd innings 2-73.

17th Nov Dapto V Woonona. Dapto 40 (T/S Longbottom 8, Hayes 7). Woonona 124 (Morris 0-26, Hayes 1-14, Thorne 0-21, Longbottom 5-35, Humphries 0-14, Fitzpatrick 3-9). Dapto 2nd innings 74.

Dec 1st Dapto V Balgownie. Dapto 9-232 Dec. (J Jaffray 112, Longbottom 50). Balgownie 9-252. Dapto used six bowlers in its attack trying to shift Balgownie Bats (Hayes 3-30 wickets, Geall 3-36 having the most success).

John Jaffray's 112 for Dapto (as reported in the Illawarra Mercury)

"Dapto batsman, John Jaffray, became the seasons fourth century maker, with an aggressive 112 against Balgownie.

Dapto's total of 232-the clubs highest this season-shocked the critics, who claimed that if stalwart, Henry Longbottom, did not get amongst the runs, then Dapto would be dismissed cheaply, The fact that Longbottom only contributed 3 to the total will have the critics thinking a little before condemning Dapto's batting strength in the future.

Jaffray's innings, although not flawless, was sound and well compiled. He displayed a good variety of strokes and was severe on anything dished up a little loose.

His sixth wicket partnership with Jack Geall was a feature of the innings, Geall scored 50 and played good cricket. his understanding with Jaffray, who was more forceful, was very good.

At stumps, Balgownie had lost none for 13 and will have display better batting than has been the case in the last few rounds, to be considered a chance of overhauling the total."

Mon 15 Dec Dapto V Corrimal. Dapto scored heavily against Corrimal totalling 298 H Longbottom scoring a brilliant 110, J Jaffray 83- a partnership of 165). Corrimal could only manage 114 (R Morris 5-49, Hayes 1-41, Clarke 1-19, Longbottom 2-2).

1952-1953 Cont:-

Longbottom's record breaking fifth wicket partnership with Johnny Jaffray, who scored a century in the previous round, of 165 resulted in Dapto compiling the highest total ever scored by the club of 298.

Longbottom showed a return to his old form and his innings, which included sixteen boundary shots was without a blemish.

Longbottom and Jaffray saved the day for Dapto team, which was in trouble early. The first two wickets fell for only 14 runs, the third at 21 and the fourth at 74.

Then Longbottom and Jaffray got right on top of the attack and gave the Corinal fieldsmen a leather hunt.

J. McGoldrick, who at one stage had three for eight, failed

to take another wicket and finished with three for 44.

Jaffray looked set for another century, when he stepped out to one from A. Bowden and was clean bowled. He scored a bright and useful 83, which included nine boundaries.

Bowden bowled particularly well, and maintained a good length throughout. He finished with five for 63.

Play was halted at 5.35 p.m. with Dapto being dismissed for 298.

Jan 12th Dapto V Thirroul. Dapto 184 (Hay 55, A Swan 34, B Thorne 41). Thirroul 107 (Clarke 5-36, Longbottom 3-13). Dapto win on 1st innings.

Jan 19th 1953 Dapto V Keira.

Keira's Sensational Collapse

7 for 114, all out 114 !

The sensational collapse of Keira in the match against Dapto on Saturday is the most discussed topic of Illawarra's week-end cricket.

Dapto had compiled 116, and Keira appeared certain of a win when Bert Delavere and Don Townsend were together with the score at 114 and three more Keira batsmen still waiting to pad up.

At that stage Geall trapped Townsend lb.w. and the 7th wicket had fallen for 114.

Keira's outlook still seemed bright, since Delavere was still there, while Hunt, Frame and Stewart were still to bat.

But, in the same over, Geall secured the wickets of Hunt and Frame the latter with the last ball of the eight.

FATAL HIT

Alex Stewart joined Delavere who now faced up to Jim Hurry.

Delavere connected with a loose Hurry delivery, and the ball appeared destined for the boundary to bring up the necessary runs for the win

However, Ron Brownlow caught the ball right on the boundary fence and Dapto had won the game by two runs.

Recognised Keira batsmen Tooth, Rowles, Stir and Cooper all failed and Keira's prospects were not so bright when these and Johnston had been sent back with only 32 on the board.

Then came what seemed to be the winning partnership by Ted Green and Bert Delavere. When Green was bowled by Jim Hurry, six were down for 103.

Don Townsend remained with his captain until the score was taken to 114. The rest of the story has already been told.

Joe Geall (3 for 19) and Jim Hurry (2 for 3) not only had good figures, but secured their wickets at a most vital stage.

Max Hurry hit out lustily (if not always correctly) to make the top score of the match, 47. Max clouted ten fours.

John Jaffray's 30 proved to be a very valuable contribution. He too, hit out to get his runs.

1952-1953 Cont:-

Jan 26th 1953 Cringila V Dapto. Dapto 230 (J Humphries 66, Hay 43). Cringila 1st innings 83 (Hay 5-44, Clarke 3-25, Longbottom 2-9). Cringila 2nd innings 33 (Hay 2-19, Clarke 6-13). Dapto is showing a big improvement as the season progresses and scored the only outright win of the round- even though Longbottom failed with the bat. The win pushed them up the comp. ladder to sixth position.

Feb 9th 1953 Wollongong V Dapto. Wollongong 205 (Hay 4-37, Longbottom 3-52, Hayes 0-37, Geall 2-59). Dapto 1st innings 60 (A Swan 26). Dapto 2nd innings 169 (L Wade 40, Longbottom 58, Geall 26). Wollongong 1st innings win.

Feb 23rd Wests V Dapto. Wests 1st innings 91 (Hayes 0-1, Clarke 2-46, Hay 0-14. Longbottom 4-15, Geall 2-11). Wests 2nd innings 6-30 with 4 absent (Clarke 1-16, Hayes 1-4, Longbottom 0-6, Geall 4-3). Dapto 1st innings 105 (Longbottom 38, Clarke 36). Dapto 2nd innings 2-22. **Dapto outright.**

Port Kembla minor premiers.

Two centuries in the season were the highlights.

Dapto fielded two teams (A and B) in the 2nd grade competition for the 1953-1954 season. 23rd Feb 1953 Wests V Dapto. Wests A 116 (N Hurry 3-21, C Brown 2-11, D Bailey 2-21, J Hurry 1-31, N Steele 1-21) def Dapto B 60 (L House 30 N/O).

9th March Dapto V Wollongong.

Dapto A 69 (R Hazelton 19, J Scupin 15). Wollongong 7-58 (McKay 3-11, Ellison 3-17).

April 9th Dapto V Wollongong semi final.

DAPTO CRICKET CLUB

SECOND-GRADE "A" AVERAGES FOR 1952-53

BOWLING	O	M	R	W	Ave.
G. ELLISON	115	21	307	51	6.01
M. HURRY	92	22	212	32	6.62
C. SLOAN	102	16	320	45	7.11
D. MCKAY	70	7	262	32	8.18
J. FITZPATRICK	45	5	146	13	9.12

Best bowling in innings—Ellison 7-7, Sloan 6-6, Hurry 6-8.

McKay 5-10.

Most catches—J. Maker, 20.

Hat trick—C. Sloan.

BATTING	I.	H.S.	N.O.	Agg.	Ave.
M. HURRY	14	61	2	303	25.25
C. SLOAN	18	44	3	212	14.13
A. HOBBS	5	30	1	55	13.75
R. HAZELTON	19	55	0	252	13.26
D. MCKAY	19	37	0	205	10.78
J. SCUPIN	17	15	5	117	9.75
J. FITZPATRICK	18	28	4	135	9.64
G. JAFFRAY	15	35	1	112	8.00
C. JOHNSON	14	14	0	81	6.78
G. ELLISON	11	16	3	45	5.62
R. KELLY	9	15	3	28	4.66
J. MAKER	20	15	1	81	4.26
W. FITZGERALD	9	7	3	12	1.71

Highest aggregate—M. Hurry, 303.

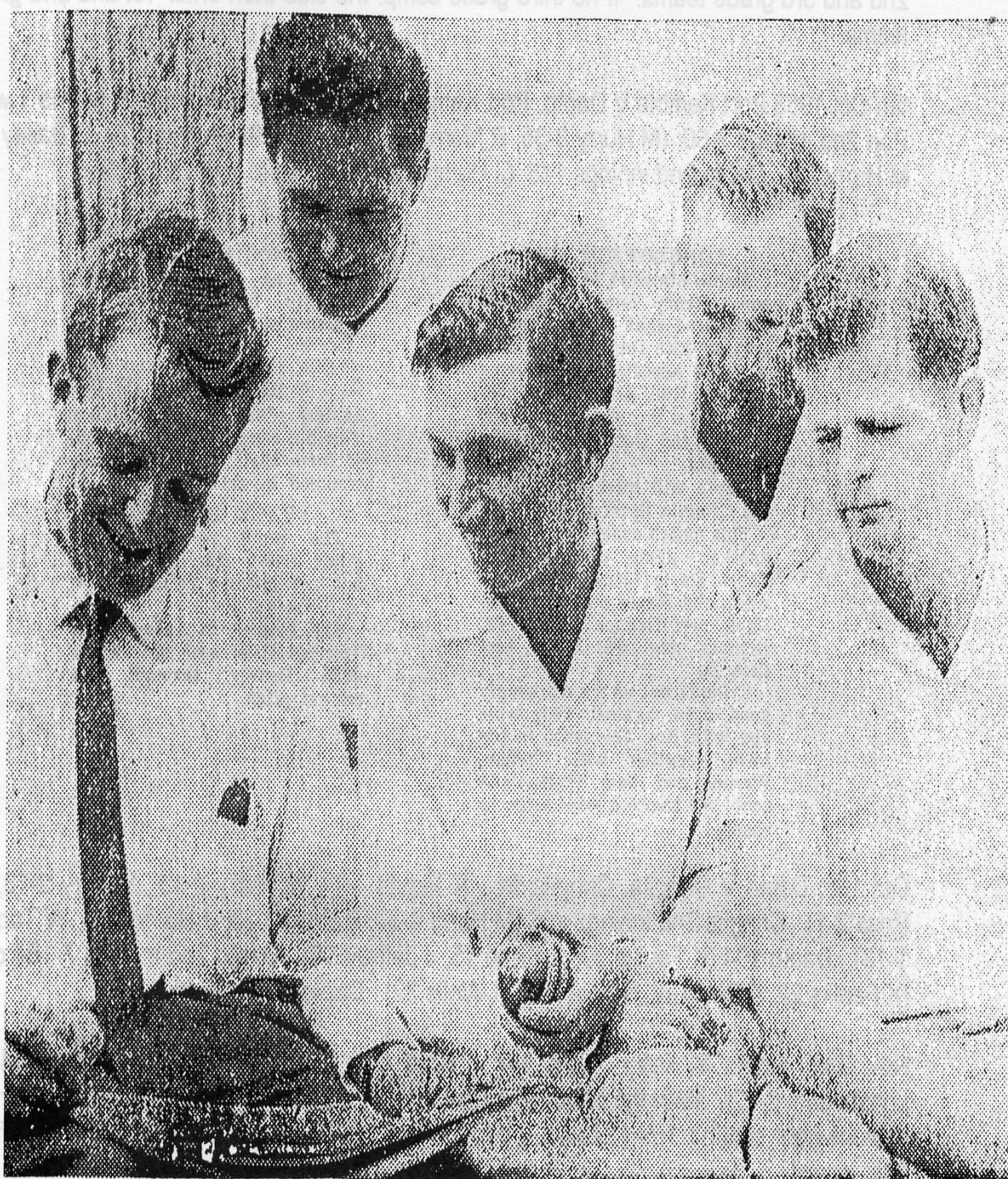
Highest score—M. Hurry, 61.

Hurry Takes His Time



Dapto batsman Max Hurry covers up in the match against Wollongong at Stuart Park on Saturday. Dapto failed by 30 runs on the first innings.

Checking The Score



Dapto cricketers, Ray Kelly, L. House, Max and Nev. Hurry checking the scorebook with Wollongong scorer, John Robiliard, at Dapto on Saturday. Wollongong defeated Dapto on first innings.

Season 1953-1954

The Annual General Meeting Held In The Agricultural Hall 25th Aug 1953.
Election of Officers.

Patron: H H Beattie.
President: B Thorne.
Sec/Treas: A Hayes.

D McKay offered to donate six pounds (12 dollars) towards the purchase of nets provided club members provided the balance of the cost. The meeting decided to nominate 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade teams. If no third grade comp. the club then enter 1st and 2nd grade teams.

5th Oct 1953 Port Kembla V Dapto. Port Kembla 178 (M Hurry 3 wickets, R Morris 1 wkt). Port 2nd innings 3-60 (M Hurry 3-35, R Morris 0-25). Dapto 98 (A Swan 29, D Bailey 19, M Hurry 16). Dapto 2nd innings 148. (J Humphries 39). Dapto lost 1st innings.

LONGBOTTOM OUT

Dapto stalwart of many seasons, Henry Longbottom, has announced that he will not be playing with Dapto this season.

Henry expects to be moving into the Bulli area in the near future and has decided against playing and then disorganising the team.

Dapto will meet Cringila on the Cringila Sportsground.

This match could also provide another game. Dapto with Thorn, Dare, Hurry, Humphries, Swan and Hayes put up a creditable performance against Pt. Kembla and will fully test Cringila.

Cringila put up a surprisingly good fight against Balgownie and with Roy Thompson in top form, together with Crehan, Werner and Sam Pianegonda could set Dapto a good score to chase.

Oct 19th Dapto V Cringila. Cringila 54 (R Morris 1-17, M Hurry 2-13, J Hurry 2-13, P Ross 2-1). Cringila 2nd innings 106 (M Hurry 4-32, P Ross 3-33, J Hurry 2-26, W Tuckey 1-13). Dapto 104 (K Faulks 39, A Swan 15, J Jaffray 16). Dapto 2nd innings 7-154 dec. (K Faulks 22, A Swan 22, M Hurry 38, K Wells 32). Dapto win outright.

Nov 2nd Dapto V Keira. Keira 147 (Ross 0-21, M Hurry 0-27, J Geall 6-44, H Longbottom 2-22). With the return of J Geall and H Longbottom Dapto showed a marked improvement scoring 159 (Geall 22, Longbottom 28, Brownlow 33 NOT OUT, J Jaffray 24).

WOONONA TIPPED

Woonona should have little difficulty in accounting for Thirroul at Stacey Flat.

Keith Worthington and Phillip Johnson proved they were in top form with the ball against Corrima, and unless Thirroul can produce a reversal of form their batsmen will be troubled by this pair.

VENUE CHANGED

The venue of the second grade match Thirroul v. Wests has been changed from Thirroul to Nicholson Park.

The Council has graded the Thirroul Oval and has left a deep furrow through the cricket pitch.

1953-1954 Cont:-

DAPTO TOPPLES KEIRA MARGIN OF 12 RUNS

Dapto created the surprise result of the third round of the Illawarra Cricket Association's first grade competition with a narrow first innings win over last season's premiers, Keira, by 12 runs.

Resuming with three down for 61, in reply to Keira first innings 147, the not out Dapto batsmen, Henry Longbottom and Jim Geall, weathered the storm in the opening overs on Saturday.

Geall was the first of the pair to go, after adding only five runs to his score, but Longbottom carried his score from 10 of the previous week to 28.

Johnny Jaffray and Reg Brownlow then became associated in the winning seventh wicket stand.

Jaffray went after scoring 24 and Brownlow remained unconquered with the top score of 33.

Bill Hunt (3/29) and Bill Frame (3/29) took the bowling honors for Keira.

With the tension relieved Keira batted a second time and at stumps had lost four for 83, of which Ted Stair had contributed 47 not out.

Nov 16th 1953 Dapto V Corrimal. Corrimal batted first scoring 76 (P Ross 2-18, M Hurry 2-18, Longbottom 4-18, Geall 1-8). Dapto replied with 9-152 (Longbottom 34, J Jaffray 20, K Faulks 22, D Bailey 29 NOT OUT). Corrimal 2nd innings 64 (P Ross 5-21, Geall 1-9, M Hurry 3-39).

Dec 7th 1953 Dapto V Thirroul. Dapto 1st innings 55- No details. Thirroul 9 dec. 102 and 74 (Geall 1-24, M Hurry 1-3, Longbottom 7-32). Dapto 2nd innings 7-73. Thirroul won on 1st innings.

Dec 14th Dapto V Woonona. Dapto 84 (Brownlow 33, D Bailey 24). Woonona 113 (Morris 3-47, Geall 6-20, M Hurry 0-18, P Ross 0-19). Dapto 2nd innings 6-146 dec (Geall 31). Woonona 2nd innings 5-73 (Morris 2-30, M Hurry 1-18, Geall 1-21, Ross 1-6). Woonona won on 1st innings.

Jan 18th 1954 Dapto V Keira.

Dapto 116 (M Hurry 47, J Jaffray 30). Keira 114 (M Hurry 3-29, J Clarke 1-38, J Geall 3-19, Morris 0-11, J Hurry 2-2).

Keira's Sensational Collapse 7 For 114, All Out 114.

Dapto complied the small total of 116 (M Hurry 47, J Jaffray 30). Keira seemed certain of a comfortable 1st innings win with Delevere and Townsend together and 3 more wickets in hand. At that stage Geall had Townsend LBW and 7 were down for 114 still 3 to bat. But in the same over Geall secured two more wickets-one with the last ball of the eight. Delevere faced Jim Hurry who bowled a loose ball which Delevere hooked- the ball appeared destined for the boundary and a win. But it was caught!

Jan 25th 1954 Dapto V Wests. Dapto 226 (R Wells 58, B Thorn 26, K Faulks 24, R Brownlow 30, J Clarke 39, J Hurry 31). Wests 171 (M Hurry 1-29, J Clarke 1-24, H Longbottom 3-50, R. Brownlow 0-18, D Bailey 0-22, J Hurry 4-17). West avoided follow on by 95 runs.

Feb 8th 1954 Dapto V Balgownie, Vital clash-defeat could mean the loss of a semi spot. Balgownie batted 1st scoring 172 (A Hayes 2-19, M Hurry 3-29, D Bailey 1-31, J Hurry 0-14, H Longbottom 0-22, J Geall 4-48). Dapto 141 (K Wells 40, H Longbottom 28). As a result of the loss on 1st innings Dapto dropped to 5th position.

Feb 22nd Dapto V Wollongong- last round. Wollongong 85 (M Hurry 7-27, J Clarke 3-42, H Longbottom 0-67). Dapto 5-119 (M Hurry 40). 2nd day rain washed out play and eliminated Dapto from the semifinals.

For the first time Dapto entered three senior teams in the Illawarra competition.

FIRST MATCH LAKELANDS OVAL 22-2-64



Dapto Cricket Club is working desperately to overcome its position of the only affiliated district club without a turf wicket for the 1963 competition.

The club has been accepted by Illawarra officials.

Players in all grades have shown their willingness in working on the Lakeland's project.

The problem of finding grounds for the four teams until the ground is fit for play has been the bone of contention.

The first-grade side will have to play away every match until the ground is ready and the other teams will be rostered on Reed Park.

Although hardly satisfactory, with so many players to look after, it is the only answer at this stage.

The completion of the Lakelands cricket surface will provide a first-class ground for the first and second-grade teams, and the two third-grade sides will be able to share Reed Park.

In addition to its normal first and second grade teams, the club has entered two third-grade sides.

To retain the interest of those players from 14 up to senior grades, an additional third-grade side was

PICTURE: "Council approval" could be the golden words spoken by Dapto player John Jaffrey as he showed a Mercury reporter the work already done on the Lakelands Oval yesterday.

**DAPTO PRIMARY SCHOOL CRICKET TEAM
1942 COMPETITION WINNERS**



Back Row Standing. Bob Murray, Geoff Lindsay, Henry Mayberry, Noel Smithers, Keith Turner, **Second Row Sitting.** Noel Steels, John Jaffray, Albert Burrows, Norm Steele Stan White. **Front Row.** Neil Young, Ken Harvey.

1953-1954 2nd Grade Season

Only a few 2nd grade and 3rd grade results were published during the season.

Oct 19th Dapto V Corrimal. Corrimal 49 and 101 (Ellison 4-28, Sloan 3-21, McKay 1-26, C Brown 1-0). Dapto 119 and 5-37 (R Hazelton 24, L House 23, R Brown 26). Won outright by Dapto.

Nov 1953 Woonona V Dapto. Dapto 1st innings 9-214 dec. Woonona 60 (A Hayes 7-29) and 152. Dapto won by innings and 2 runs.

5th March 1953 Dapto V Wollongong. 2nd grade semifinal. Dapto 1st innings 69 (Hay 19, Scupin 15). Wollongong 7-58. No further details.

Oct 19th 3rd Grade Dapto V Corrimal. Dapto 172 def. Corrimal outright. Corrimal 1st innings 70 (A Hayes 5-20, J Kelly 4-23). Corrimal 2nd innings 54 (A Hayes 7-12, K Thomas 3-20).

Nov 16th 3rd grade Dapto V Keira. Keira 60 (R Morris 5-31, K Thomas 5-13). Dapto 9-145 (M Evans 36, E Blissenden 32, C Brown 17). Dapto 1st innings win.

Oct 1953 Dapto V Corrimal. Dapto 172 (Donaldson 65). Corrimal 8-51 (J Kelly 4-23, A Hayes 4-6).

Nov 23rd 1953 2nd Grade Dapto V Balgownie. Dapto 130 and 9-76 (Sloan 28). Balgownie 145 and 7-103 (McKay 5-20, Sloan 3-24). Balgownie won on 1st innings.

Nov 23rd 1953 3rd Grade Dapto V Keira. Dapto 182. Keira 69 and 35 (K Thomas 4-12, R Morris 5-17).

Dapto fielded two teams (A & B) in the second competition for the 1953-1954 season

Discord at Cricket Council Meeting

Anything but harmony existed at the meeting of the Illawarra Cricket Council, held at Kiama on Friday night:

The trouble started when the holidays rather than on Sunday, Illawarra Association sponsored days, ed their notice of motion to alter the system of playing the inter-district competitions.

The Illawarra scheme was that Shoalhaven, South Coast and Moss Vale Associations play a series of matches, after which a combined team would be selected to play Illawarra.

Mr. Allan Hayes, who moved the motion, considered that last season the junior competitions in particular fell to a low level.

He said the Council was duty bound to create better competitive cricket, because the present junior player would be the seniors of the future.

He pointed out that Illawarra was prepared to play two matches in each particular grade against each particular team.

TRIAL PERIOD

He stressed the point that the scheme for 1956-57 would purely be a trial.

In seconding the motion, Mr. L. Ewin said they must investigate the best system of catering for junior players and pointed out that the present junior competitions were proving unsatisfactory for the production of future senior players.

He felt that this scheme could not prove any more unsuccessful than the present one.

Mr. K. Watts, Moss Vale, criticised Illawarra's idea and said that he considered Illawarra had a duty to play against the three weaker Associations and he said that some day the position may alter, whereby these Associations could topple Illawarra.

Various speakers opposed the motion and on being put to the meeting it was overwhelmingly defeated.

Illawarra president, Mr. don Rodwell, who occupied chair in the absence of Arty Smith, very pointedly warned that if the Association did not do the right thing, an honour their obligations for this season's inter-district matches, the Illawarra delegates would speak in no uncertain terms on the subject.

Information to hand revealed that applications by Newcastle and Illawarra Association to field teams in the Sydney Poidevan-Gray Shield competition for Under 21 players had been refused.

However, it was pointed out that the N.S.W. Cricket Association intended to take steps to provide inter-district competitive cricket for these areas.

The Moss Vale Association was successful in sponsoring a motion that the inter-district matches be played on public

HOLIDAY GAMES

This season's matches will be played on Boxing Day, New Year's Day and Anniversary Day.

The first inter-council match against Newcastle will be played at Newcastle on October 20-21, and the Illawarra team will be selected after a practice trial at Bowral on October 14.

The Council selectors will choose a squad of 22 players to participate in this trial.

The manager of the Illawarra team will be Mr. J. H. Murray, of Wollongong.

1953-1954 Cont:-

Feb 22nd Dapto V Wollongong. Wollongong 7-179 def. Dapto 71 and 97 (R Hazelton 32, C Sandy 28).

3rd Grade last competition round.

WOLLONGONG RETAINS LEAD. IN SECOND GRADE CRICKET.

Wollongong retained the lead in the second grade cricket competition with an outfit win over Port Kembla on Saturday afternoon.

Wollongong's form has been consistently sound in this grade this season and the team already seems assured of a semi-final place.

Port made only 50 odd in each innings and the 'Gong captain used only three bowlers in each innings.

No batsman reached the half century in Saturday's second grade, and amongst the bowlers Alan Hayes (Dapto) 7-29, Phil Dowsett (Keira) 6/30, and Rus Hewitt (Wests) 5-21 were on the spot.

Dapto Thirds won an important match against Wollongong and now hold a firm lead in the competition.

SECOND GRADE

Woonona v. Dapto

Dapto 1st innings 9-214 (declared).

Woonona 60 and 152 (R. Upton 49, W. Langston 31, J. Watson 23, J. Cummings 11; A. Hayes 7-29).

Dapto won by an innings and 2 runs.

THIRD GRADE

Wollongong v. Dapto

Wollongong 63 and 117 (Ted Keevers 36, W. Gaynor 24, W. Wynn 14; R. Morris 3/54, L. House 6/34).

Dapto 163 (R. Kelly 19, L. House 22, N. Hurry 17; M. Boon 4/51, S. Potter 3/34, W. Gaynor 2/32, R. Gorman 1/1) and 0-21.

Dapto won by 10 wickets and 4 runs.

CRICKET TEAMS OUT FOR NINE!

Two minor grade cricket teams failed to reach a double-figure total in matches in Illawarra competition on Saturday afternoon.

The teams were Woonona second grade and Wollongong third grade, each of which was dismissed for a total of nine runs.

Stuart Potter top-scored for Wollongong with three.

Ray Morris, who dismissed 5 Wollongong thirds for 4 runs has now brought his season's total to 54 wickets. His teammate Lionel House collected 4 for 3 in Saturday's match.

THIRD GRADE

DAPTO v. W'GONG

Dapto 185 (Ted Blissenden 18, C. Brown 10, D. Donaldson 41, W. Burrows 47, L. House 32, R. House 10; S. Potter 2/53, Clifford 3/76, Corran 4/32).

Wollongong 9 (R. Morris 5/4, L. House 4/3).

1953-1954 Third Grade Semi-Final.

THIRD GRADE

Dapto, — First Innings 62

Second Innings

E. Blissett b Reynolds ..	0
N. Hurry c Ledger b Reynolds ..	4
C. Brown c Kelly b Reynolds ..	6
D. Donaldson b Ring ..	0
L. Burrows b Reynolds ..	1
L. House b Ring ..	1
R. Morris b Reynolds ..	0
R. House not out ..	4
K. Thomas c Kelly b Reynolds ..	0
C. Johnson c Chilby b Reynolds ..	0
R. Kelly b Reynolds ..	1
Sundries ..	1
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Total	38

Bowling: Reynolds 8/18; T. Ring 1/19.

Corrimal — First Innings

Nine for 30 declared

Second Innings

B. Scott lbw, b House ..	0
W. Chilby run out ..	0
W. Ledger b House ..	0
T. Fryer b Morris ..	4
E. Ring b Morris ..	0
W. Ring c House b Morris ..	0
R. Kelly b House ..	0
J. Reynolds b Morris ..	0
J. McGoldrick not out ..	1
A. Masters run out ..	0
W. Kerr b Morris ..	0
Sundries ..	2
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Total	7

Bowling: Morris 5/3, House 3/1.

OUT FOR SEVEN

Corrimal third graders turned on the shock of the afternoon when they were dismissed for 7 by Dapto.

No fewer than eight "ducks" were recorded against Corrimal batsmen. There was only four scoring shots, a two, a three and two sundries.

Dapto scored 62 on the first day and Corrimal nine for 30.

Corrimal declared and dismissed Dapto a second time for 38, of which Duncan Donaldson scored 22. Reynolds took eight for 18.

Lisle House took three for 1 from 7 overs, which included six maidens and Ray Morris five for 3 of 7.2 overs, including five maidens.

Dapto and Corrimal players alleged that the MacCabe Park Oval was a disgrace and should be seen into by the Illawarra Association.

The fact that only 137 runs were scored over two days was able evidence of the ground, on which a semi final had to be played.

Corrimal and Dapto bowlers bowled well.

1953-1954 Third Grade Final

DAPTO LEADS

At stumps in the third grade final between Dapto and Wollongong, the country boys had established a first innings lead of 32 runs.

Wollongong bats crashed badly and only stout knocks by Kel Webber and Warren Wynn saved complete disaster.

Webber came in with the score at two for 6 and was the ninth man out. With Wynn he put on 42 for the fifth wicket.

Webber batted exceptionally

well and very confidently to score 25, which included only one four. Wynn topped the list with 26 and hit three fours.

Teenager Ray Morris once again took the bowling honours with seven for 28.

POTTER'S 7/39

Despite the fact that Stewart Potter took seven for 39 for Wollongong, Dapto was able to gain a first innings lead of 32.

E. Donaldson (20), N. Hurry (17), R. House (15), C. Johnson (13) and W. Burrows (10) all contributed valuable runs.

THIRD GRADE WOLLONGONG v. DAPTO

Wollongong 1st Innings

R. Gorman b House	4
R. Clifford b Morris	1
G. Conran lbw b House	0
K. Webber b Morris	23
P. Bill b Morris	2
W. Wynn c N. Hurry b Thomas	28
S. Potter c Johnston b Morris	2
A. Heggarty b Morris	0
B. Coombs lbw b Morris	0
J. Miller b Morris	0
G. Halpin not out	7
Sundries	8
Total	75

Bowling: R. Morris 7/28; L. House 2/34; K. Thomas 1/5.

Dapto 1st Innings

N. Evans c Halpin b Potter	3
N. Hurry c Potter b Miller	17
C. Brown, b Potter	0
E. Donaldson b Potter	20
L. House b Potter	0
R. Morris b Potter	9
R. House not out	15
E. Blissenden c Potter b Clifford	7
W. Burrows c Wynn b Clifford	10
C. Johnson b Potter	13
K. Thomas b Potter	1
Sundries	12
Total	107

Bowling: S. Potter 7/39; J. Miller 3/10; K. Clifford 2/30.

THIRD GRADE

Dapto v. Wollongong

Wollongong — First Innings 75

Second Innings

G. Gorman c and b House	1
R. Clifford c Thomas, b House	1
K. Webber b Morris	4
G. Conwin c Blissenden b Morris	8
P. Bill b House	0
S. Potter stpd. W. Burrows b House	20
A. Heggarty stpd. W. Burrows b Morris	4
L. Halpin b Morris	2
J. Miller not out	0
W. Wynn c Johnston b House	0
Sundries	11
Total	55

Bowling: R. Morris 4/20, L. House 5/11.

Dapto — First Innings 107

Second Innings

N. Hurry run out	7
E. Bliss b Miller	2
M. Evans c Webber b Miller	0
D. Donaldson not out	16
R. House not out	0
Sundries	2

Total, Four for 34

Bowling: J. Miller 3/10.

Final Written By Lisle House Who Played A Major Role In The Teams Success.

The premiership was the first since the win in 1922-1923 a period of 31 years. Dapto had participated in many semifinals-finals and finished runners up in the minor premierships when the competition was determined by the team gaining the highest number of points. Ironically the name of House featured in both the 1st premiership and 2nd premiership wins. Bob House-Father of Lisle and grandfather of Ray a prominent Dapto Cricketer of the 1920's.

A major event took place in 1955 which has had a tremendous influence on the Dapto Cricket Club-the formation of the Dapto Leagues Club. The Leagues Club was formed following a meeting of the representatives of Dapto's Sporting Organisations. The clubs objects were to provide both premises for a meeting place of the affiliated clubs and financial assistance where possible- as sports clubs had to rely on raffles and the goodwill of local shopkeepers for donations to survive. The Cricket Club enthusiastically supported the formation of the club and has been prominent in the clubs successful development. From a primitive beginning with assets of seven pounds (14 dollars) to the magnificent club of today with assets of millions of dollars requiring highly trained staff and skilled management expertise. Without the support of the Leagues Club, sporting organisations such as the Cricket club, would have great difficulty in meeting the high cost involved in the organising and promotion of the sport.

Season 1954-1955

The Annual General Meeting Held In Agricultural Hall 31st Aug.
Election of Officers.

Patrons: H H. Beattie, E Van Hetherson.

President: B Thorne.

Sec/Tres: A Hayes.

Assist Sec: C Sloan.

The meeting decided to conduct a raffle on the Melbourne Cup to raise finance for the club. Prizes to be £12 (\$24)1st, £5 (\$10) 2nd prize, £3 (\$6) 3rd prize.

Oct 4th 1954 Dapto V Thirroul. The first match of the season. Dapto 141 (K Faulks 65, J Jaffray 27, D Bailey 22). Thirroul 102 (Hayes 1-28, Morris 1-28, Hines 2-50, Longbottom 5-24). No second innings details. **Dapto won outright.**

1954-1955 Cont:-

Dapto went to the top of the points table with the only first grade outright win in the first round against Thirroul.

However, their encounter with the strong batting Port Kembla XI will give a better guide to the Country side's prospects for the coming season.

Veteran Henry Longbottom, who has displaced Ron Ring as captain of the Illawarra team, has a strong band of youthful players behind him and the Dapto boys could upset Port without surprising.

Longbottom has struck the "purple patch" early in the season both with the bat and ball and undoubtedly his efforts on Saturday will have a big bearing on the ultimate result.

Dapto has Keith Faulks, Johnny Jaffray, Doug Bailey, Ray Morris, Allan Hayes and Allan Swan to support Longbottom in the batting department and Morris, Hayes and Hines with the ball.

Morgan Simon, who scored the first century of the season in the first day's play in the first round, has only had one turn at the wickets and could again score well if allowed to get set.

Port also has a good line up of batsmen, as shown in their 269 against Balgownie. Doug Parker, Reg Leary, Col Matthews are again expected to get among the runs.

Port has a good array in their attack and will fully test the Dapto batsmen, with speedster Doug Barker to open followed by the slower men, Ron Shepherd, Morgan Simon, Bates, Leary and Shannon.

Unfortunately Jack McDonald has to work on Saturday and will miss this match.

Oct 18th Port 1st innings 123 (A Hayes 1-18, M Hurry 3-23, R Morris 2-36, Longbottom 1-23, Hines 0-8, J Hurry 1-0). Dapto 108 (Longbottom 52 not out, J Hurry 28). Port 2nd innings 96 (M Hurry 3-39, Longbottom 0-35, J Hurry 2-7, Morris 1-48). Dapto 2nd innings 9-90 (M Hurry 21, Hines 23 N/O). Port won on 1st innings.

Nov 4th Dapto V Balgownie. Dapto batting first scored 281 (Longbottom 80, L Hines 41, J Clarke 73 not out, J Hurry 21, D Bailey 22). Balgownie replied with 84 (Longbottom 3-0, M Hurry 2-37, R Morris 0-14, J Clarke 3-21, J Hurry 1-7). Balgownie 2nd innings 7-154 (Morris 1-15, M Hurry 1-28, Longbottom 1-35, J Hurry 3-54, Hines 0-10, Bailey 1-7). H Longbottom captured a hat-trick. Henry turned in an amazing performance. He only bowled one over in the first innings and took the last 3 wickets with the last 3 balls of the over. Longbottom's contribution of 80 runs and 3 runs allowed Dapto to win on 1st innings.

Nov 15th Dapto V Cringila. Cringila 1st innings 163 (R Morris 1-37, M Hurry 4-22, J Clarke 3-41, Longbottom 2-34, J Hurry 0-19). Dapto 1st innings 197. A chance less century by skipper Henry Longbottom paves the way for a Dapto 1st innings win. He was ably assisted with a solid knock by J Clarke who scored 52 (H Longbottom 114 not out, J Clarke 52). Dapto win on 1st innings.

Nov 29th Dapto V Wests. Dapto batted well for their 209 (J Jaffray 67, R Brownlow 25, A Swan 31, J Clarke 24 all contributing). Wests replied with 152 (R Morris 4-33, M Hurry 3-41, J Clarke 2-18, J Hurry 1-33, L Hines 1-14). Dapto 1st innings win.

Dec 9th Dapto V Wollongong. Dapto crashes against Wollongong. Wollongong compiling a good total of 292 (R Morris 3-42, M Hurry 2-82, J Hurry 1-46, L Hines 3-38, R Brownlow 0-6). Easily def. Dapto 63 (Bailey 18) and 112 (Dimond 16, Brownlow 36) outright.

1954-1955Cont:-

Jan 10th 1955 Dapto V Balgownie. Balgownie batting first could only manage 113 (M Hurry 2-35, Longbottom 2-35, Hines 6-28, J Clarke 0-14). Dapto 1st innings 8-168 (Hines 41, J Jaffray 55). Loft Hines with a good double of 41 with the bat and 6-28 with the ball. Dapto 1st innings win.

Jan 17th Dapto V Cringila. Cringila unable to handle the spin of Longbottom (6-40) and J Hurry (3-17) could only muster 123 (M Hurry 0-22, Stokes 0-7 and J Clarke 1-30 were the other bowlers used). Dapto replied with a good score of 4-194. H Longbottom 91 not out and J Clarke 69 leading the way-once again Henry Longbottom with 6-40 and 91 not out was the star. Dapto 1st innings win.

Jan 24th Dapto V Corrimal. Another reversal of form by the Dapto Batsmen. Corrimal 1st innings yielded 157 (M Hurry 5-50, R Morris 3-48, H Longbottom 2-33). Dapto 56 only 1st innings (Longbottom 26). Dapto 2nd innings 67 (J Hurry 16). If Henry Longbottom fails it appears the whole Dapto team fails. Dapto outright loss.

Feb 17th Henry Longbottom only needs 20 runs in the last of this seasons matches to clinch his 5th batting premiership. If he cannot he will run second to club mate J Clarke. Their averages as they stand.

Player	Innings	Not Out	Highest Score	Total	Average
H Longbottom	11	2	114*	471	58.8
J Clarke	5	1	73*	218	54.5
A Delavere	9	1	80	258	32.2

Neither Longbottom or Clarke played in the final game-thus Henry won his 5th batting premiership.

Feb 28th Dapto V Keira. Dapto played Keira in their last competition match for the season with little enthusiasm. Losing outright. Keira 144. Dapto 83 and 34 in 2nd innings. Four players absent.

What promised to be a very successful year ended in disappointment, Dapto lost a few points at crucial times. Even though they won 7 games, they failed to contest the finals.

1954-1955 Minor Grade Results

A few minor grade results were published as follows:

2nd Grade.

Oct 7th 1954 Dapto V Wests, Wests 299 (A Hobbs 4-66, K Thomas 2-24, D Donaldson 2-70). Dapto 5-59. No further details.

Oct 18th Dapto V Cringila. Dapto 8-179 (C Sloan 50, R Hazelton 22, J Scupin 25, K Thomas 16). Cringila 89 and 9-141 (D Donaldson 3-21, K Thomas 3-43, W Tuckey 2-15). Dapto won on 1st innings by 90 runs.

1954-1955 Minor Grade Results Cont:-

Nov 29th Dapto V Wollongong. Dapto 146 (R Hazelton 61, C Sloan 25). Wollongong 113
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(A Hayes 2-37, C Sloan 1-23, G Ellison 1-35, L House 1-2). Dapto 2nd innings 6-140 (C Sandy 26, L Dare 29).

Jan 17th 1955 Dapto V Woonona. Dapto 131 (C Sloan 42, A Hayes 21). Woonona 6-138 (R Morris 4-65, C Sloan 2-8).

3rd Grade

Oct 11th 1954 Balgownie V Dapto, Balgownie 53 and 184 (R Kelly 2-41, R M Kelly 2-48). Dapto 155 (P Dimond 28, R M Kelly 26 not out)

Dec 6th Keira V Dapto. Keira 175 (A Hobbs 5-45, J Kelly 2-23, N Dare 1-19). Dapto 126 (R Kelly 30, J Smith 32, M Evans 25). Keira 2nd innings 120 (D McKay 4-35, A Hobbs 4-45, J Kelly 2-30). Dapto 2nd innings 117 (A Hobbs 20, C Brown 39).

Dec 20th Dapto V Wollongong. Dapto 59 and 103 (R Kelly 41 not out). Wollongong 69 and 44 (D McKay 6-5, C Brown 2-13). The most flattering figures of 6-5 by D McKay against Wollongong was the highlight in minor grade.

Dec 24th Dapto V Thirroul. Dapto 171 (R Kelly 45, C Brown 37 not out, D McKay 22). Thirroul 4-54 (D McKay 2-13, Hobbs 2-22).

Jan 10th Dapto V Corrimal. Dapto 148 (K Wise 80, J Kelly 18) def. Corrimal 86 (L House 5-33, R Kelly 1-13, J Smith 4-21).

March 1955 3rd grade semifinal Dapto V Woonona.

Woonona 1st innings 110 (D McKay 6-44, L House 3-38). Woonona 2nd innings 104 (House 4-36). Dapto 49 and 64 (A Hobbs 15, D McKay 11). Woonona won outright.

1954-1955 Under 16 Junior Grade

Nov 4th Dapto V Balgownie, Dapto 5-162 (R House 64, P Dimond 29, A Steele 17) def. Balgownie 5-103 on first innings.

Nov 15th Dapto V Wests. **Dimond Cracks Century.** Dapto 4-213 (Dimond 119, T Webb 44, J Kelly 18) def. Wests 5-26.

Nov 29th Dapto V Thirroul. Dapto 113 (R House 34, A Steele 20, T Webb 19) def. Thirroul 7-53 (Rutledge 3-9, N Dare 2-6).

Dec 20th Dapto V Port. Port 163 def. Dapto 54 (R House 19 not out)

Feb 14th Ray House completed a good double for Dapto Under 16's in scoring 36 runs and taking 9-18 with the ball (I must have given him the new ball A H). The scores Dapto 126 (House 36, Dimond 43). Woonona 54 (R House 9-18).

1954-1955 Under 16's Cont:-

March 1955 Dapto V Wests. Dapto 55 def. Wests 32 (T Rutledge 2-3, R House 5-16).

Under 16 Final Dapto V Port Kembla

Unfortunately this had to be played as no grounds were available to the I.D.C.A. the next week. Port won the toss and sent Dapto into bat-rain falling steadily all morning. Dapto could only muster 34 even batting their required time. Barry Bates bagging 5-13. The ball was landing in puddles of water, splashing and then shooting through ankle high. During the lunch break the rain stopped and by the time Port batted the malthoid at McCabe Park was dry. Port lost 6 wickets for 36, winning the final. Had the game been played on equal terms I'm sure Dapto would have been successful.

Season 1955-1956

The Annual General Meeting held in Agricultural Hall August 30th 1955. An apology was received from Mr B Thorne advising he would not seek re-election as president. Sec. Alan Hayes also advised that he would not seek re-election having been elected secretary of the Illawarra District Cricket Association.

Election of Office Bearers for season 1955-1956 were elected as follows:

Patrons: H H Beattie, J Fairley.
President: A Swan.
Sec: W Tuckey.

Alan Hayes Was Honoured With Life Membership.

Dapto entered 1st, 2nd 3rd and U/16 teams.

3rd Oct 1955. Dapto V Keira Dapto opened the season against Keira suffering an outright defeat. Dapto 125 (C Sloan 41, W Tuckey 29, A Swan 12). Keira 3 dec. 269 (R Morris 0-32, M Hurry 1-50, Brownlow 0-24, J Hurry 1-57, J Learmonth 0-18, C Sloan 0-22). Dapto 2nd innings 126 (W Tuckey 41, M Hurry not out 39). Keira won outright.

Oct 17th Dapto V Port Kembla. Port 141 (R Morris 2-65, M Hurry 5-53, Brownlow 3-19). Dapto 165 (K Wells 44, R Brownlow 22, C Sloan 20). Port 2nd innings 9-155. Dapto 1st innings points.

Oct 31st Dapto V Wests. Dapto 251 (J Jaffray 60 not out, R House 28, J Hurry 29, C Sloan 36, K Wells 27). Wests 201 (R Morris 0-35, M Hurry 1-33, R Brownlow 3-63, J Hurry 6-53). Wests put up a good fight with D Baker 45 and Brother Alan 88 - a 91 run partnership.

Nov 10th 1955 Dapto V Balgownie. Balgownie 216 (R Morris 1-48, M Hurry 2-27, R Brownlow 3-42, J Hurry 1-24, C Sloan 1-35, W Tuckey 2-6, J Learmonth 1-16). Dapto 141 (K Faulks 35). Dapto 2nd innings 5-240 (K Wells 91, M Hurry 84, K Faulks 34). Another typical Dapto 2nd innings recovery but doesn't gain any points.

Former Dapto star H Longbottom who now resides at Corrimbal is to turn out with the Corrimbal Club.

1955-1956 Cont:-

Dec 5th 1955 Dapto V Thirroul. 1st day washed out- only 39 overs bowled. 2nd day Dapto dismissed for 62. Thirroul 75-winning on 1st innings by 13 runs.

Dec 12th 1955 Dapto V Woonona. Dapto 62 (K Faulks 33). Woonona 90 (R Morris 1-5, M Hurry 1-18, Brownlow 1-2, J Hurry 2-52, Hines 2-14). Unlucky Dapto. If they had won they would be in 4th position instead of 9th.

Jan 16th 1956 Dapto V Keira. Dapto 104 (M Hurry 21, J Hurry 18), Keira 4-58 (R Morris 1-32, M Hurry 3-47, Brownlow 0-27, Hines 0-26, J Hurry 0-10, Tuckey 0-9). Keira had little difficulty in winning on 1st innings.

Jan 23rd 1956 Dapto V Corrimal. Dapto collapsed for 59. Former team mate H Longbottom bagging 3 wickets for 16. Corrimal 184 (R Morris 1-41, L Hines 0-26, M Hurry 4-41, J Hurry 1-32, R Brownlow 0-13, C Sloan 3-14). Dapto 2nd innings 3-67 (R Brownlow not out 23, M Hurry not out 34).

Feb 12th 1956 Dapto V Wollongong. Dapto 61 (L Hines not out 28, K Wise 13). Wollongong 3-91 Closed. No further play due to rain.

Last competition round. Dapto a disappointing season.

The only minor grade games published were six 3rd grade games. Plus one second grade

1955-1956 3rd Grade

Oct 3rd 1955 Dapto V Woonona. Dapto 1st innings 124 (N Brown 44, J Kelly 16, J Smith 16, C Smith 14). Woonona 8-110 (C Smith 3-26, R Kelly 1-19, R M Kelly 0-19, G Weston 2-24, J Smith 2-5). Dapto 2nd innings 140 (N Brown 15-Ron Kelly 24 W Weston 42 not out, C Smith 22. Woonona 2nd innings 114 (C Smith 3-36 G Weston 2-28 J Smith 2-16 Ray Kelly 1-6). **Dapto won outright.**

15 October 1955 Dapto v Balgownie, Balgownie 1st innings 148 (C Smith 1-34, B Weston, 2-28 C Brown 3-48, G Smith 3-25) Dapto 1st innings 278 (Ron Kelly 69, J Smith 48, C Brown 41, W Weston 24) Balgownie 2nd innings 90 (C Smith 3-43 B Weston 2-16, B Johnston 2-6. **Dapto won outright.**

29th October 1955 Dapto v Keira, Keira 1st innings 142 (C Smith 1-48, N Hurry 7-22) Dapto 1st innings 115 (N Brown 46, N Hurry 31). Keira won on first innings.

2nd Grade

Date unknown, Dapto v Balgownie. Balgownie 1st innings 70 (A Hayes 6-21, C Sandy 3-6, G Ellison 1-17) Dapto 1st innings 8-105, Dapto won on 1st innings.

Dec 8th 1955 Dapto V Helensburgh. Dapto 137 (L House 25, R Hazelton 53, A Swan 17). Helensburgh 3-121 (L House 1-53, K Wise 1-45).

1955-1956 Cont:-

Jan 28th 1956 Dapto V Woonona. Dapto 84 (E Blissenden 15, G Morris 28). Woonona 20 and 30 (L Waters 6-9 and 3-10, C Smith 2-11 and 5-20).

Season 1956-1957.

The Annual General Meeting Held At The Dapto Leagues Club. Twenty Five Members In Attendance.

Election of officers.

Patrons: H H Beattie, J Fairley.

President: A Swan.

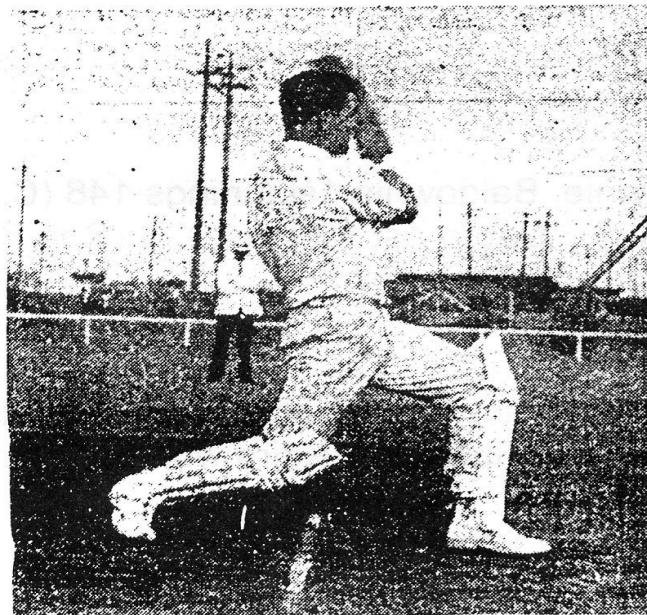
Sec: W Tuckey.

Assist Sec/Treasurer: K Wise

First day of competition. No play due to rain.

Oct 13th 1957 Dapto V Woonona. Dapto 1st innings win after Woonona Captain sportingly closed at 3-116. Both teams went for the runs. Woonona 3-116 dec. (R Morris 2-28, R Brownlow 0-20, C Sloan 0-9, I Sinclair 0-15, L Hines 0-28, W Tuckey 0-2). Dapto 3-130 (W Tuckey 45, C Sloan 46, R House 17). Over confidence by Woonona-lost by 14 runs.

Oct 22nd 1956 Dapto V Port Kembla. Port playing for the first time on their new turf wicket at A Wenham Pk. Port were invited to bat 1st and belted Dapto bowlers in scoring 5-210 (R Morris 1-58, R Brownlow 0-27, L Hines 3-64, C Sloan 0-21, I Sinclair 1-21). Dapto's poor response of 99 in 1st innings (L Hines 23, J Jaffray 12, P Dimond 19). The first 3 batsmen-R House, R Brownlow, R Hazelton all dismissed for 0. Dapto's 2nd innings was dominated by P Dimond who in a hard hitting display scored 72. Stubborn batting by C Sloan 21 and I Sinclair 14 saved outright defeat.



Dapto batsman, Peter Dimond hits out at Doug Barker in the game against Port Kembla at Wenham Park on Saturday. Dimond hit up 72 in Dapto's second innings.

1956-1957 Cont:-

Nov 5th 1956 Dapto V Thirroul. Thirroul 111 (L Hines 8-46, R Morris 1-21, R Brownlow 0-16, W Tuckey 0-19). Dapto 149 and 1-41 (L Hines not out 37- 1 six and 4 fours, I Sinclair 34, K Wise 24). Thirroul 2nd innings 76 (R Morris 3-33, R Brownlow 3-29, L Hines 2-14). Due to Lofty Hines purple patch with the ball, Dapto won outright.

Nov 15th 1956, Former Dapto star Longbottom will again turn out against his old club. Could be an interesting game.

Nov 19th 1956 Corrimbal V Dapto. Dapto batted first scoring a good total of 197 (P Dimond clouting 7 sixes and 4 fours in a breezy knock of 88, W Tuckey who retired hurt scored a solid 45). 2nd days play Corrimbal struggled to total 143 (R Morris 2-48, Hines 3-45, Brownlow 2-27, J Hurry 3-15)- (H Longbottom 23). Dapto 2nd innings a poor 33 (H S K Wells 10).

Corrimal 2nd innings 2-89 (Morris 0-34, Hines 0-24, Brownlow 1-24). One run out. After leading on 1st innings Dapto suffered outright defeat.

The selectors made two changes for the next match V Wollongong-M Hurry replaces R House and C Brown replaces K Wise.

ILLAWARRA 1st GRADE AVERAGES

(Qual. 200 runs or 20 wickets)

BATTING

Name	I.	N.O.	H.S.	Tot.	Av'ge
T. ROWLES (Keira)	6	1	119	329	65.8
D. BAKER (Wests)	12	6	77x	355	59.1
K. BARNES (Wollongong)	6	2	126x	233	58.2
S. WATT (Wests)	10	4	102x	337	56.1
J. TREANOR (Keira)	8	3	77x	277	55.4
R. RING (Wollongong)	9	1	67x	293	36.6
B. TABOR (Balgownie)	8	2	91	215	35.8
W. MURRAY (Wollongong)	9	3	72	207	34.5
B. FISHER (Corrimal)	11	0	93	358	32.5
T. LARGE (Corrimal)	11	0	86	328	29.8
A. DELAVERE (Keira)	8	0	75	203	25.3
M. HURRY (Dapto)	13	2	84	263	23.9
R. THOMPSON (Cringila)	12	2	54	222	22.2
W. WALSH (Port Kembla)	12	0	64	266	22.1
D. GEARY (Woonona)	11	1	38	204	20.4
S. SIMPSON (Woonona)	14	0	58	241	17.2
A. WASHBURN (Thirroul)	15	0	55	253	16.8
A. CHARTERS (Cringila)	14	1	75	216	16.6
K. WELLS (Dapto)	12	0	91	200	16.6
W. TUCKEY (Dapto)	16	1	41	233	15.5
D. NICHOLSON (Port Kembla)	13	0	42	201	15.4

BOWLING

Name	Wkts.	Runs	Av'ge
D. ROGERS (Corrimal)	39	303	7.7
R. RING (Wollongong)	58	470	8.1
K. BRADLEY (Thirroul)	23	188	8.1
W. CROSS (Wollongong)	33	274	8.3
R. WEST (Wollongong)	35	316	9.0
J. TREANOR (Keira)	32	337	10.5
E. GREEN (Keira)	44	470	10.7
J. MacDONALD (Port Kembla)	32	341	10.7
J. LOVE (Woonona)	27	291	10.7
D. LOVE (Woonona)	29	348	12.0
H. CIRSON (Thirroul)	21	254	12.1
T. ORVAD (Corrimal)	24	325	13.5
E. MCKEEING (Corrimal)	21	208	13.8
M. HURRY (Dapto)	22	343	15.6
R. BURGESS (Balgownie)	39	526	17.5

MOST RUNS — B. Fisher 358, D. Baker 355, S. Watt 337.

MOST WICKETS — R. Ring 58, E. Green 44, D. Rogers 39.

BEST ALL-ROUND PERFORMANCES — R. Ring 293 runs and 58 wickets; J. Treanor 277 runs and 32 wickets; M. Hurry 263 runs and 22 wickets.

Dapto In Reversal Of Form In Match Versus Wollongong

Dec 3rd 1956 Dapto V Wollongong..

Dapto batsmen belted the daylights out of the Wollongong attack in the Illawarra first grade match on Saturday and scored 329 runs in 200 minutes:

Wollongong began badly and the first three wickets fell without a run being scored, before stumps were drawn.

QUICK SCORING

Dapto batsmen, after settling down, piled on runs in rapid fashion.

They were assisted by the torpid attitude of the Wollongong fieldsmen, who let many runs slip through their fingers.

The fieldsmen had an exceptionally bad day. Firstly Ron Ring won the toss and sent the Dapto boys in to bat on a perfect wicket.

Then Bill Cross weakened the attack, when he withdrew because of a knee injury.

When he failed to add to the hurdles Wollongong fieldsmen dropped at least a dozen catches.

Dapto took advantage of all of Wollongong's misfortunes and rattled up over 300 for the first time, for many seasons.

Chump, Roy Brownlow, was stumped by Hopper off 31st, after scoring 4 and with the score at 16.

Then youthful District rep., Warren Tuckey, and Keith Morris got into stride to put on 72 runs for the second wicket.

Tuckey after a shaky start, when he was dropped in mid-wicket by Washbourne at 16, really gave a good exhibition of batting.

He went on to score 56, which included seven boundaries. Wells hit six fours in his 37.

Roy West had 19 runs scored off his fourth over and Dapto's first 50 came up in 35 minutes, and the 100 in 75 minutes.

Tuckey scored his 56 in 85 minutes.

Wells with Max Hurry, having his first game of the season, put on 34 for the third wicket.

Hurry, who batted soundly was joined by John Jaffray and they took the score to 199.

Ennever dropped Jaffray after he had scored 2, and he went on to score 27.

Hurry, who had scored a good 60, including eight fours, was beaten by Ring. He scored 50 in 53 minutes.

Challenger took Jaffray's wicket with the last ball of his third over.

FOUR SIXERS

Then the big hitting Dimond strode to the creases. The first three deliveries he received from Ring he clouted over the fence for six.

He again lofted the fourth ball over the fence and took a single off the last to score 25 off Ring's 11th over.

Dapto passed the 200 mark in 152 minutes.

Dimond was bowled by Ennever after scoring 39 in 20 minutes and the score at 299. Hines joined Sinclair and

hit a four to bring up 30 in 190 minutes.

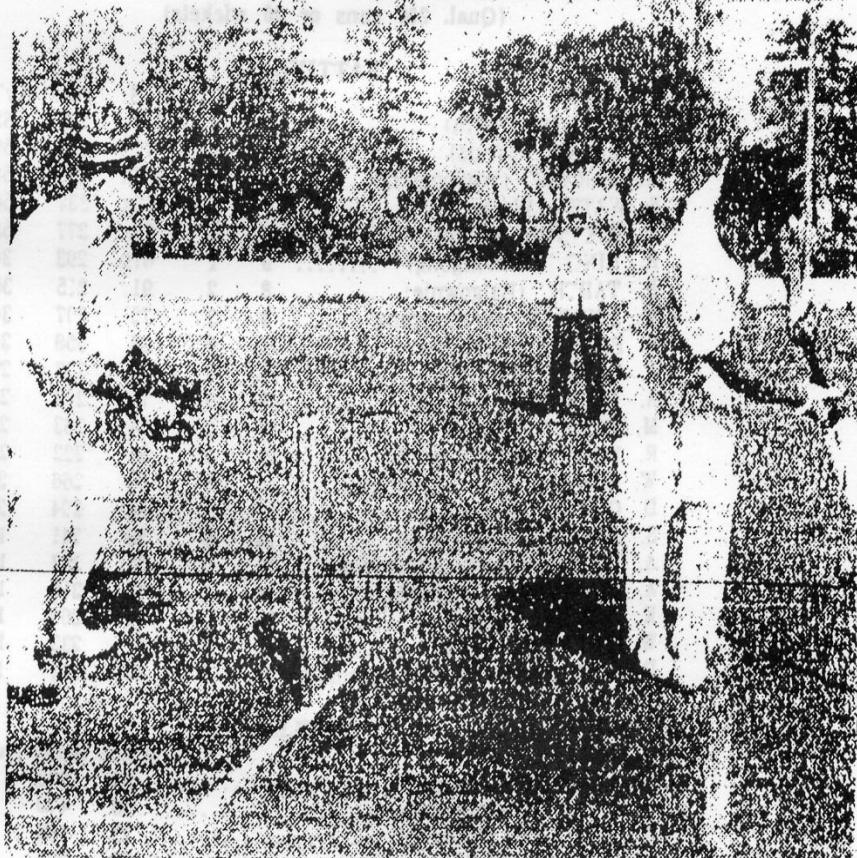
Sinclair in hitting his four lost his bat.

Dapto continued to run and the innings at 329.

Wollongong used nine ers.

THREE OUT

Disaster struck Wollongong in the remaining time with three down for no runs and the score at 299. Dapto's total, when pluses next Saturday.



Dapto batsman, Max Hurry, who top scored with 60 in Dapto's 329 against Wollongong at Stuart Park on Saturday. Wollongong wicketkeeper, Ron Hopper, watches anxiously.

Wollongong's innings began disastrously 3 for 0 and the fifth wicket fell at 15. K Barnes and A Washbourne had other ideas than defeat. Wollongong recovered to win on the first innings. The scores Dapto 329. Wollongong 349 (R Morris 2-126, M Hurry 4-68, Brownlow 0-15, K Hines 2-81, J Hurry 1-35). R Morris dropped K Barnes at 23. The loss meant Dapto slipped from near the top of the table to 7th position. Dapto has been in a winning position in the last two games but ended up losing.

1956-1957 Cont:-

Dec 17th 1956 Dapto V Balgownie. Dapto 154 (W Tuckey 69, I Sinclair 21, P Dimond 18). Balgownie 162 (R Morris 6-46, M Hurry 1-52, R Brownlow 0-25, L Hines 0-2, J Hurry 2-13). Dapto 2nd innings 9-115 (K Wells 31). Dapto loses 3 matches on the trot.

Jan 1957 Dapto V Cringila-one day match. Dapto 238 (K Wells 22, M Hurry 48 not out, I Sinclair 26). Cringila 96 (R Morris 7-42, M Hurry 2-24, R House 1-22). Dapto at last win on 1st innings.

Jan 20th 1957 Dapto V Corrimbal-one day match. Dapto and Corrimbal on equal points. Corrimbal 268 for 6 (M Hurry 2-61, J Hurry 1-50, I Sinclair 1-13, C Brown 0-7, L House 2-124). The bowlers copped a hiding. One bowler recording far from flattering figures-Lisle House recording a century 2-124 from 17 overs. Dapto 116 (C Brown 43, J Jaffray 31, R Brownlow 23). Corrimbal easy win.

Jan 24th 1957 Warren Tuckey of Dapto selected in Illawarra side in place of H Longbottom to play against Shoalhaven.

Jan 28th 1952 Dapto V Cringila, Dapto 238 (J Jaffray 35, K Wells 42, M Hurry 44, I Sinclair 29, R House 33). Cringila 203 (R Morris 4-27, M Hurry 3-47, J Hurry 2-44, L House 1-18). Dapto 1st innings win.

Feb 11th 1957 Dapto V Keira. Keira 4 dec. 273 (R Morris 2-53, M Hurry 0-38, L House 1-36, J Hurry 0-40, L Hines 1-36, W Tuckey 0-24, K Wells 0-13). Keira closed in bid for outright. Dapto 99 (L Hines 20, C Brown 18, P Dimond 19, M Hurry 16). Dapto 2nd innings 52 (Hines not out 21 the only bat to score double figures).

Feb 25th 1957 Dapto V Wests- last round. Dapto 79 (M Hurry 22, L Hines 14). Wests 1-142 (M Hurry 1-31, A Hayes 0-27, L Hines 0-27, L House 0-23, W Tuckey 0-20, I Sinclair 0-8). Dapto 2nd innings 9-139 (J Jaffray 34, L Hines 20, I Sinclair 45). West 2nd innings 5-50 (Sinclair 1-7, J Jaffray 1-12, C Sloane 2-12, C Sandy 0-3).

Dapto first finished in 7th position on points table.

Dec 3rd 1956. Warren Tuckey was selected to represent Illawarra V Chegwyn Eleven. Unfortunately Warren was bowled first ball by N.S.W. opening bowler Alan Wyatt. The team included **Alan Davidson, Norm O'Neill and Ian Craig**.

1956-1957 Second Grade.

Oct 14th Dapto V Port Kembla, Dapto 132 and 7-204 (A Swan 82, J Smith 29, J Marker 28) def. Port outright. Port 88 and 165 (A Hayes 4-63, C Sandy 3-28).

Oct 28th C Sandy Scores A Century.

Twenty Six Fours

Charlie Sandy hitting out freely scored a brilliant century crashing twenty six boundaries in his score of 156 against Wollongong. Sandy played shots to all parts of the ground in scoring his highest score.

Season 1957-1958

The Annual General Meeting Held Dapto Leagues Club August 1957.
Election of Officers.

Patron: Mr J Fairley.

President: K Wells.

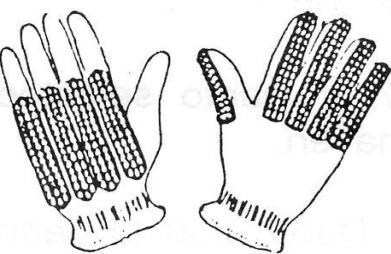
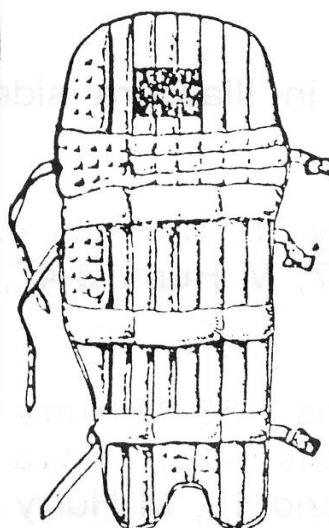
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Dapto nominated 1st, 2nd, 3rd and U/16 teams.

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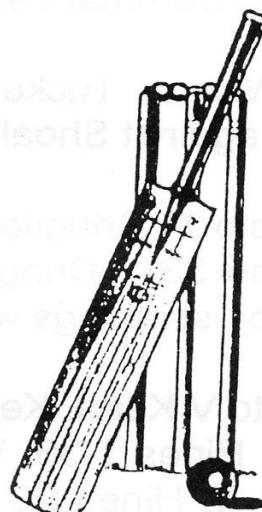
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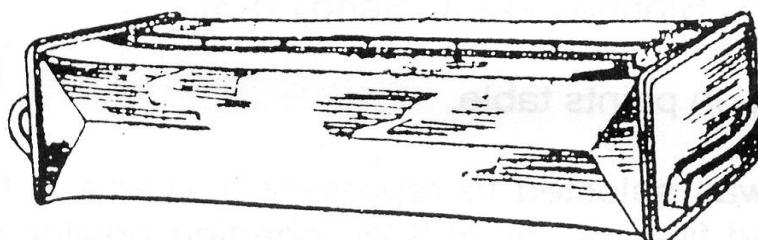
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Oct 7th 1957 Dapto V Port Kembla. Dapto opened the season with a score of 211 (I Sinclair 52, K Wells 35, M Hurry 35, S Dawes 33) flaying the Port attack which included representative bowler, Barry Bates. Port were in the same mode scoring 242 (R Morris 4-102, M Hurry 5-91, L House 0-35, J Hurry 0-12). Ray Morris having a century hit off his bowling. The game ended in a tense and dramatic finish- with 1 wkt to fall Port required 9 runs, however they succeeded gaining a 1st innings win.

1957-1958 Cont:-

Oct 21st 1957 Dapto V Wollongong. Wollongong 191 (R Morris 1-54, M Hurry 1-54, L House 0-26, J Hurry 4-42). Dapto 1st innings 38. Dapto 2nd innings 132 (F Dawes 38, W Tuckey 25, J Jaffray N/O 29). Wollongong outright win.

Nov 18th 1957 Dapto V Cringila. Dapto face a difficult task having lost the two previous matches and have recalled veteran A Hobbs. Dapto 188 (F Dawes 27, W Tuckey 57, M Hurry 14, A Hobbs 16, J Hurry 19, L House 16) all helped to a reasonable total. Warren Tuckey at his best with 57. Cringila 205 (R Morris 1-39, L House 0-33, M Hurry 1-36, J Hurry 2-32, A Hobbs 0-28, W Tuckey 0-11, K Wells 0-5). Dapto Captain. M Hurry used 7 bowlers trying to dislodge Cringila bats. Alan Charters, Cringila opener, was run out for 99 trying to steal a run for his century.

Nov 18th 1957 **The following players were selected to represent Dapto.**

1st Grade

M Hurry Captain., K Wells, I Sinclair, J Hurry, A Hobbs, F Dawes, P Dimond, L House, J Jaffray, C Sandy, R House 12th.

2nd Grade

A Hayes Captain., J Kelly, J Wrightson, K Kirk, D McKay, R House, T Webb, R Kelly, R M Kelly, R Wells, G Lindsay 12 th.

3rd Grade

E Blissendon Captain., L Waters, N Hurry, D Donaldson, C Smith, N Clarke, P Hurst, G Lindsay, G Morris, N Brown, T Johnson, G Wells 12th, W Haines 13 th.

Nov 25th 1957 Dapto V Cringila-1 Day.

Cringila 107 (R Morris 7-50, M Hurry 0-18, L House 2-27, J Hurry 0-25). Ray Morris, Dapto speed bowler, wrecked Cringila in snaring 7-50. Dapto 4-170 (K Wells 43, M Hurry 39 not out). Dapto avenged their recent loss.

Dec 10th 1957 Dapto V Woonona, Woonona 145 (Morris 1-19, M Hurry 1-36, L House 4-44, A Hobbs 0-22, J Hurry 4-14). Dapto 95 (K Wells 30). Dapto 2nd innings 95 (K Wells run out. 30, F Dawes 15, I Sinclair 12). Woonona 2nd innings 1-11 (M Hurry 1-6). Lisle House bowled well in taking 4-44 off 17 overs.

Dec 16th 1957 Dapto V Thirroul. Dapto 103. Thirroul 37 and 61 (R Morris 6-33, L House 4-23, M Hurry 0-0). Only sketchy details. Dapto 2nd position on points table at this stage.

Jan 13th 1958 Dapto V Balgownie In a very low scoring game Dapto won outright. Dapto 66 (M Hurry 23, L House 10). Dapto 2nd innings 71 (I Sinclair 14, K Wells 11). Balgownie 38 (R Morris 5-9, L House 4-25). Balgownie 36 (R Morris 7-19, L House 2-13, J Hurry 1-1). This was the first game to be played on Balgownie's new turf wicket and resulted in the lowest scoring match for 12 years.

Jan 27th 1958 Dapto V Wests. A vital game to both teams as they share fourth position. Dapto 212 (W Tuckey 41, J Jaffray 15, M Hurry 61, J Hurry 49). The two Hurry boys with their partnership of 98 have set Wests a big task. Wests 177 (R Morris 0-34, L House 0-18, M Hurry 0-17, J Hurry 3-54, W Tuckey 7-50). Dapto win by 35 runs.

Illawarra Cricket Comp. Wide Open

Resuming after an interval of three weeks, the Illawarra Cricket Competition is wide open with Keira and Port Kembla sharing the lead, closely pursued by Corrimal and Wollongong, who are (unofficially) three points behind the leaders.

Shock Possible?

However, a shock reshuffling of positions is possible, following on an announcement to the "Times" by Illawarra Association Secretary Mr. Allan Hayes.

Mr. Hayes stated that each and every club had had ample opportunity to furnish all outstanding results and any club still at fault (and it was hinted there are several) could be deprived of any comp. points due for results still outstanding.

Feb 8th 1958 Dapto V Keira.

Do or die for Dapto-must gain points to clinch a spot in semis. First day play washed out. The match to be played under two day rules. Dapto 146 (R House 38, P Dimond 24, F Dawes 24, L House 21). Keira 2-52 (R Morris 0-12, R House 0-12, M Hurry 0-1, J Hurry 0-17, W Tuckey 0-8). Match drawn.

Feb 22nd 1958 Dapto V Corrimal. Dapto have to win outright to make semi-final. Corrimal 273 on first day. No further details. Rain interfered with 2nd days play. Dapto 3-94 (K Wells not out 43, W Tuckey 28). Match drawn. Dapto finished in 5th position 7 points short of fourth spot.

1957-1958 Minor Grades.

Oct 14th 1958 Dapto V Port, Dapto 2nd grade recorded outright against Port. Dapto 122 and 7-204 (A Swan 82, J Smith 29, L Waters 28). Port Kembla 88 (A Hayes 4-63, C Sandy 3-28. Port Kembla 2nd 165 (No details).

Oct 28th 1957 Dapto 2nds V Wollongong. Dapto 295 (C Sandy 156-24 boundaries, D McKay 41) def. Wollongong 173 (A Hayes 4-56, A Hobbs 5-50).

1957-1928 3rd Grade.

Oct 28th 1957

Dapto keeper Bill Burrows was knocked out when struck on the head. Bill collapsed but resumed later. Dapto "B" 100 (B Waddell 19, B Hermes 11, B Fisherman 34, B. Tomerman 10). Port 8-173 (B Fisherman 1-40, N Seiler 2-28, G Ellison 2-34, T Johnson 2-22).

Feb 24th 1958 Dapto "A" V Keira. Dapto "A" 166 (J Smith 48- one six and five fours, N Clarke 28). Keira 6-108 (P Hurst 3-44, L Waters 1-25).

After several hundred hours of research on the microfilm of the Illawarra Mercury 1853-1957 and South Coast Times. 1900-1957 my research ends



Summary

The results are not a complete record of all games played or are they deemed to be. During the period 1857-1900 most games were not reported. 1900-1948 are briefly reported-outstanding performances attracting some comment 1948-1958. Most 1st grade matches are well documented. For the minor grades, the results published would be less than 50%. This is mostly due to clubs failing to forward details and because of this many fine performances with bat and ball are not recorded. The facts and figures provided are only those that have been documented (A H).

Dapto Cricket Club has had its ups and downs in the 100 years 1857-1957, having survived through wars (Boer War, World War 1 and 2) and then The Great Depression of the late twenties and early thirties when the club could not afford a new ball per match. However the club, unlike most Illawarra Clubs, has always maintained its original identity of Dapto Cricket Club.

Through the years the clubs activities have been greatly influenced by several stalwart families. The Swan family, in particular, have featured prominently both in administration and on the playing field. The first mention of a Swan was in the 1870. This was J T. Swan who had a saddlery business and he was the instigator of the revival of the Club in 1892. He also served as president on twelve occasions (twelve occasions are recorded but I have no doubt he was also president from 1895-1899). The family has been associated with the club from 1870 until the retirement of life member Alan Swan in 1958. During the late nineteen thirties and forty's the: Nunans; Forans and Hazeltons had 3 or 4 members of the family in the one team. During this time many generations of the House family have played for the Dapto Cricket Club. The four Jaffray boys were also prominent players as were the three Dimond boys.

Whether it be in sport or any other activity there is always one that stands out above all others and in the 100 years from 1857-1957 that person is Henry Longbottom. He is the cricketers cricketer of the Dapto cricket club and his records speak for themselves.

There have been many dedicated club officials. None more so than W.Arthur of the 1920's. Every Sunday morning, accompanied by his 5 yr old daughter, he would spend hours rolling the turf wicket for the afternoons play and have the kerosene tin (the universal hot water container of those times) steaming away on the fire for afternoon tea. Afternoon tea was some what of a social event for the ladies. The above information is from Joan Murray-Nee Arthur- daughter of W Billy Arthur.

Without the assistance of my son Robert and his computer I could never have completed the compiling of one hundred years of history of the Dapto Cricket Club- many thanks for your patience Robert.

Cricket is cricket and above all should be played as a sport- not for the points to be gained.

Alan Hayes

Items of Interest

World's Longest Six

Don Bailey playing for Dapto against Thirroul hooked a short pitched delivery over the square leg boundary, the ball landing in a blue metal wagon of a train travelling north through the Thirroul Railway Station at the time- the ball ending up in Darling Harbour Goods Yard Terminal Sydney (True Story I was there (A H).

Sunday Sinners

Once upon a time - no not really. It was one Sunday when Dapto was to play a social game against Albion Pk and when we were ready to leave from the paper shop the team was a player short, but who should be approaching up Osborne St none other Junior representative star 15 year old Warren Tuckey on his way to Sunday School. A lot of quick talk Warren was convinced a game of cricket was a better proposition to Sunday School.

At the end of a pleasant days play disaster struck Warren. During the day he had removed his gold watch, a recent birthday gift , and it was missing and could not be found. We dropped Warren off at his home, not dallying long to face the music. Being the manager of the A W Green Shield team, at that time, I always picked up Warren and found the other players at Wollongong Railway to journey to whatever Metropolitan ground we were to play at. Approaching Warrens place I noticed his mother standing on the footpath. On stopping I was given a very strong lecture on what heathens the Dapto players must be for encouraging a 15 year old boy to wag Sunday School and threatened to stop him playing cricket at all-the gold watch never got a mention.

Problem Players

George House never missed a horse race he wanted to hear or place a bet on. If he was batting he got himself out and if fielding someone always stood in for him. The same was always said about Keith Faulks and Alan Steele- all players who the side couldn't do without- true story.

Whacko Whacker

Whilst controlling a practice session in 1954 a new chap approached me and said he wanted to play cricket and join the club, so I told him to pad up and that he'd be next to practise. At the time one of our players with a sense of humour (the late M M Kelly) was bowling. First ball to this guy, who by the way was Ian Sinclair, was belted into the pine trees on the Southern end. Bill Kelly remarked to me as he went back to his run up Looks like we've got a whacker. 2nd ball same fate- Bill as he passed again remarked definitely a whacker. However a little bird told me Ian already had the nick name of whacker before coming to Dapto. Apparently he whacked a little playmate at the age of four of the feminine species. Ian has been a great asset to Dapto Cricket Club both as very capable administrator/ player who could sure whack them- one occasion a century.

Alan Hayes.

Great Feats With Bat and Ball

(By PHIL QUINE)

Two weeks ago I was one of money and sense and knew as the fittest men in this office, much then as I think I know there was not an ounce of now. I would have owned Crown superfluous flesh in all my 8 and Keira Streets to-day. Stone 13 lbs, and when stood Still, I haven't done so badly. When I first came here, years ago, I had nothing. Today, I owe the bank thousands of pounds.

"Who is that bronzed god

ever there, with arms like bands

of half-inch steel?" — to which

the boys would reply: "That's

Murphy Quine".

This, of course, was before I decided to check through seven years' back copies of the "Times" to bring my cricket records up-to-date. It was a process that aged me considerably.

MELANCHOLIA

The seasons I wanted were from 1936-37 to 1942-43, which had never previously been tabulated. It was an arduous but interesting job, though tinged with melancholy — especially when I read adverts offering new homes for £500 or tailored-to-measured suits for a fiver.

Gad! If only I'd had enough

Anyhow, to get back to these cricket records. (Editor's comment: It's about time!).

At one stage, it was an even-money bet whether I was going to finish the job, or it was going to finish me.

But I made it! I kept on and on. I was like the youth who, amid snow and ice, the banner with that strange device, Excelsior Colliery!

Until, finally, for the exclusive benefit of "South Coast Times" cricket fans, we are now able to publish below a complete summary of Illawarra 1st-Grade cricket records from 1936-37 to 1954-55 a total of nineteen consecutive seasons.

GREAT AGGREGATE BATTING

Batsman	I.	N.O.	H.S.	Tot.	Avge.
H. Longbottom	149	37	140x	5512	49.2
M. Hanna	151	25	215x	5383	42.7
A. Delavere	154	14	134x	4555	32.5
G. Russell	96	9	246x	2819	32.4
J. Treanor	182	17	174	3936	23.8
T. Willoughby	174	18	119	3667	23.5
S. Watt	109	10	192	2326	23.4
K. Worthington	133	29	114	2428	23.3
J. Lear	119	15	149	2027	19.5
R. Orchard	138	9	104x	2244	17.4
W. Everett	146	10	101x	2291	16.8

GREAT AGGREGATE BOWLING

Bowler	Wkts.	Runs	Avge
H. Stapleton	233	1647	7.0
L. Woods	715	5650	7.9
K. Worthington	461	4403	9.5
R. Ring	215	2354	10.9
F. Jones	292	3223	11.0
E. Green	219	2454	11.2
W. Caisley	411	4655	11.3
R. West	208	2492	11.9
J. MacDonald	451	5431	12.0
R. Orchard	229	2752	12.0
L. Worthington	339	4212	12.4
W. Everett	307	3902	12.7
J. Lear	291	3840	13.2

(Note: The above figures have been supplied to the I.D.C.A. for inclusion in their 1955-56 Year Book, which is now being printed for distribution to all cricketers in the area. Profits from the booklet have been earmarked for our A. W. Green Shield Colts, and I.D.C.A. officials Alan Hayes, Dave Ewin and their co-workers deserve a pat on the back for their initiative in producing it.)

THREE RUNS AN HOUR.

DASHING BATSMEN OF YORE.

Modern batsmen are so frequently condemned for slow play that one wonders how the impatient barracker of to-day would feel if by a miracle he could be forced to watch some of the matches of a hundred years ago ("Old Sport," in the August issue of "The Australian Journal"). In that early period of cricket history, as much importance was attached to style as to results, and it was considered bad form to be at all aggressive. To attempt to score off a straight ball was almost as unpardonable as to pull a slow long hop, and, to jump out to hit slow bowling was a cardinal offence. It is on record that in 1847 a promising colt was dropped from the Sussex team because he left his crease to drive a slow bowler, missed the ball and was stumped. The rash fellow did not get another trial. One of the authorities of the day, William Lillywhite, in his "Cricketers' Handbook," thus cautions batsmen against such recklessness: "If you once give way to running in to hit, you will never make a safe and steady player Stepping in is a style that many have tried, though few have found it to answer. Never leave your ground to play at any ball" The cricketers of the period followed the advice of their mentors to such effect that in 1827 one Pierpoint, playing for Sussex against Kent at Lord's, occupied the crease for 7½ hours while he made 31, while for the same team against the Rest of England in 1833, Morley took 3 hours to make 9. In the corresponding match 5 years later Napper put up an equally dashing performance when he batted for 2 hours for 7, while the famous Edgar Willsher, for Kent and Surrey v. the Rest of England in 1855, rattled up 20 in four hours. An old cricket identity of the time, Jimmie Dean, coming out of Lord's ground, was asked how the match in progress was getting on. "Capitally," he said. "The first two batsmen have been in 'arf an hour. They gets no runs, of course, but just as I left in Lordship kicked a beautiful leg-bye." In those days, the preparation of the wickets was a thing unknown, the stump being pitched in any likely spot in the middle of the ground. Fuller Pilch, a noted batsman of the 'forties and 'fifties, when on tour with the famous All England XI, always carried a scythe in order personally to attend to the wicket before the match started, in case a tuft or two of long grass might cramp his style. Pilch could be a fairly dogged player on occasions, as witness his effort for Kent against the Rest of England in 1851. He and Wenman were batting while Clarke and Day bowled no fewer than 32 successive maiden overs. The umpiring in those days was often open to question. In 1837, after a match between King's College and London University, it was discovered that the King's College team had the generous habit of paying the umpires double fees if they won the match!

Did You Know

Bob Fox scored 101 against Pt Kembla at the age of 14 on Dec 3, 1956.

Don Bailey, Dapto's brilliant fielder won the Umpire's award for the districts best fielder in season 1952-1953 (A.H.)

Henry Longbottom held the district batting average for 3 successive years with an average of 105.

CRICKET 100 YEARS AGO

"A flannelled fool standing out in the blazing sun armed with a piece of wood defending three sticks from a piece of leather hurled by someone equally foolish."

This description is applied in George Blaikie's feature on Australian cricket last century—"Long Before Bradman". It will be broadcast to-morrow night at 9.30 from station 2 FC.

In these days bats had no springs and no pads were worn—but "bodyline" was already a controversial issue.

There was the great occasion in 1856, when Melbourne challenged Sydney for a stake of £500, and Sydney, unable to match the stake, stood on its amateur status and won. A few years later the first team was lured from England on a bond put up by the proprietors of a Melbourne cafe—who reaped a nett profit of £14,000.

About the same time an unusual party left for England; a team of aborigines with long beards and coloured sashes, rejoicing in such names as Two-penny, Mosquito, and Dick-a-Dick. Boomerang-throwing was a sideline at the matches, which were a success from the publicity angle but a financial loss, and on return most of the team went bush.

1877 was the year of the first Test Match, won by Australia against James Lillywhite's English eleven. It was followed by a return visit of the Australians to England, memorable for Spofforth's feat in clean bowling the famous W. G. Grace.

A series of questions to stump the experts. If you get six right you're good—if you get them all correct, you've either looked at the answers first or you're needed down at the Illawarra Umpires' Association.

QUESTIONS:

- 1.—How heavy is a cricket ball?
- 2.—A batsman, from a big hit, successfully completes his first run and almost makes good his second before the ball is caught on the boundary. With how many runs is he credited?
- 3.—Does a bowler get credit for the wicket if a batsman is given out for wilfully preventing a catch?
- 4.—All disputes are determined by the umpires. What happens if the umpires disagree?
- 5.—Could a batsman be given out for handling the ball if he removed a ball that had lodged in his clothing?
- 6.—A batsman, in playing at a no-ball, snicks it into the hands of the keeper, who holds

the catch and then knocks off the bails while the batsman is out of his crease. Is the batsman out, caught or stumped?

- 7.—How wide is a cricket bat?
- 8.—How does an umpire signal one short run?

ANSWERS:

- 1.—Not less than 5½ ounces and not more than 5½ ounces.
- 2.—None.
- 3.—No. The correct entry is "Obstructing the field."
- 4.—The actual state of things shall continue.
- 5.—No. The ball is dead.
- 6.—Neither. He is "run out".
- 7.—A cricket bat shall not exceed 4½ inches in its widest part.
- 8.—By bending an arm upwards and touching top of nearer shoulder with tips of fingers.

CRICKET

I.D.C.A.

A meeting was held at the Friendly Societies Hall, on Friday night last.

Rule 42 was altered so that only delegates will have voting power to amend alter or cancel rules and by-laws of the Assn.

The question of playing comp cricket on either Saturdays or Sundays was debated at considerable length and after much discussion it was decided to play on Saturdays only.

Standing orders were suspended to allow of Industrial teams playing in the 2nd grade for this season only.

It was decided to play one-day matches from 2 till 6, the available playing time to be halved, and the team scoring the most runs to be declared the winner irrespective of wickets lost.

As the entries were very limited it was decided to extend the entry date till next Saturday, 26th inst. The competitions to start about 17th October.

There will be two first grade competitions, the first half of the season for the Copas-Mintorn Shield and the second half for the Wilton Shield.

The 2nd grade will compete as usual for the Chapman shield.

It is likely that a couple of Service teams will enter for the 1st grade comp and the other Districts likely are Thirroul, Woonona, Waratah, Wollongong, Keira, and Port Kembla.

The secretary is anxious for any prospective 2nd grade side to immediately contact him.

Teams mentioned on Friday last were Woonona, Russell Vale, Keira, Dapto and the A.L.S. Times office.

Tarrawanna, Premiers for the last two seasons have not yet intimated their intentions.

As a final reminder, the entries close this week end with the secretary, Mr. W. V. Mintorn, Phone 12, Wollongong.

CRICKET

The West Dapto school children journeyed to Wongawilli on Friday last for a game of cricket. Play improved, but West Dapto retained the "ashes." The captains are much more confident, and on this occasion the victors were congratulated and the good wishes acknowledged in real manly fashion. At the conclusion of the game the ladies of Wongawilli served a dainty afternoon tea which was enjoyed by all. I WAS A MEMBER OF THE WONGA TEAM (AH)

CRICKET

LONGBOTTOM — LASHES — OUT!

AMAZING INNINGS INCLUDES 10 SIXES, 13 FOURS!

(By "OWZAT")

Hitting the best of Sydney's bowlers all over the ground, Illawarra — Hampton, Henry Longbottom, turned on the fireworks at the Show-ground last Sunday, and treated spectators to the most brilliant and qualified exhibition of cricketing art ever seen on the oval. Jack Chegwyn scored a century in 38 minutes, and during one play 22 sixes and 32 fours were recorded.

Combination of heat, dust and wind. After lunch Longbottom continued to produce the most thoroughly unpleasant Wollongong day for six years, and in the circumstances attendance of 600 was remarkable. Had the day dawned earlier probably 2,000 would have passed.

However, despite the adverse conditions, spectators were treated to a feast of run-getting. 877 runs were scored in 5 hours, of which 340 came from sixes and fours.

Illawarra batted first, Searl and Hampton (each playing in their first representative game) opening. Ron Eaton opened the bowling unimpressively, but Bill Alley was in devastating form, and spread-eagled Searl's stumps with a vicious inswinger in his first over. He uprooted Hampton's timber in his next over with a similar blow, and Illawarra had lost 2 for 7 — a disastrous start.

Thorburn and Longbottom then took control of the bowling. The latter found touch immediately, and twice beautifully square-cut Eaton to the boundary. Jackson and Powell replaced Eaton and Alley. The change suited Longbottom, and his first six (off slow bowler Powell) was the most powerful hit of the match. The ball sailed gaily over two fences, landed somewhere on South Beach, and, after a new ball had been procured, was eventually located in the surf. Old-timers in the members' stand could recall no greater hit.

There was a stir from the crowd when O'Reilly came on to bowl. His first over was a deadly accurate maid-en, and had Longbottom in trouble, but the local champion soon tamed the Tiger, and there was thunderous applause when he hit the world's greatest bowler for six.

When the score reached 98 Thorburn was run out. The Woonona star had batted attractively, and proved an admirable foil for his aggressive partner. He made 25 (including 2 fours) and was missed in slips by O'Reilly off Eaton when he was 7. The partnership yielded 91 runs. Skipper Max Hanna played out time until lunch, while Longbottom continued hitting sixes and fours. Total at the adjournment was 3-123. Of 118 made while he was at the wickets, Longbottom had scored 91, including 8 sixes and 9 fours.

ILLAWARRA v CHEGWYN'S XI.

Illawarra — 1st Innings	1
R. Searl, b Alley	5
A. Hampton, b Alley	25
R. Thorburn, run out	157
H. Longbottom, not out	18
M. Hanna, b Alley	18
J. Cunningham, c and b Barnes	18
G. Dunn, st South, b Powell	1
J. Treanor, not out	30
Sundries (byes 5, no balls 2)	7

6 wickets (dec) for 280

Bob Richmond (Port Kembla's unorthodox slow left-hander) came on, and had bad luck in having Alley dropped by Hanna off his third ball. Shortly afterwards Alley was caught by Jones off Lear for 45. He received a tremendous ovation, for the irrepressible energy and zest with which he batted, bowled and fielded made an immediate hit with the crowd. In his first match here Alley has established himself as a bigger drawcard than Barnes, whose clowning antics have not endeared him to the Wollongong public.

The Sydney team had lost 3-88, including Barnes and Alley, and Illawarra seemed to be in a winning position. Then occurred an amazing partnership of 114 between Jack Chegwyn and Wal South, of which Chegwyn contributed 101. Chegwyn's innings must be rated below Longbottom's, because he was dropped twice off John-ny Lear's bowling, and also (with all due respect to Illawarra) made his runs against a weaker attack. Nevertheless, it was a scintillating display of hurricane hitting. In point of speed, it was the fastest innings seen in this district for many a day. Chegwyn brought up his century in 38 minutes, and finished with 112 made in 50 minutes, before being caught by Richmond off MacDonald. He hit 10 fours and 7 sixes, one of which beat altitude records. Four of the sixes came from one over by Jack Treanor.

After having 30 runs pasted from his first over, Treanor got his revenge by taking two wickets in his next. Walmsley was caught by Hanna, and if he had scored one more he'd have made a single. Jackson was caught by Longbottom for 2, when going for a big hit.

With 8-209, another quick wicket would have spelled victory for Illawarra, but the locals just couldn't click. South was clean-bowled by MacDonald, but an 8th wicket partnership of 78 between the reliable Algy Wright and big hitter George Powell clinched matters. Powell was surprisingly aggressive, and hit 2 sixes and 7 fours in his score of 49. MacDonald was easily Illawarra's best bowler. He was always dangerous, and despite the orgy of heavy scoring, his four wickets cost only 68 runs from 10 overs. Lear was the only other bowler to impress—he deserved better figures than his 1-45, and was at all times accurate and difficult to score from.



Left Alan Swan Honoured 1941

Dapto Cricket Clubs Second Life Member

Left Hand Second Wicket Batsman, Commenced Playing In 1934 And Played Until Enlisting In 1941.

Following His Return He Continued To Play And Take An Active Role In The Club's Activities.

Alan Was Club Secretary, Prior To His Enlistment, And President On His Return From 1955-1957.

Highest Score 107. Whilst Records Are Very Sketchy Over This Period He Has Recorded Over 1,000 Runs

Right Alan Hayes

Life Member Dapto Cricket Club 1955

Life Member Illawarra District Cricket

Association. Alan Commenced Playing With Dapto, Following World War Two. And Played From 1947 To 1974.

Right Hand Opening Bowler

Best Performances:

4 Wickets With Consecutive Balls

All Wickets In An Innings (One Batsman Absent.)

Highest Score 53

Honorary Secretary/Treasurer 1951-1955

President 1959-1972



HAYES, Alan Harwood

Passed peacefully at hospital surrounded by loving family on April 7, 2012, late of Dapto. Loved and devoted husband and best mate of Madge. Loving father and father in law of Beth & Paul, Joy & Ray, Robert, Leone & Bob. Cherished dadda to his eight grand children and twelve great grandchildren.

Much loved brother to Jack (dec), Mavis and Olga and their families.

Farewell after 93 years



Alan bowling in the Past vs Present game in January 2007.



Bob Hazelton 1916-1994

LIFE MEMBER

**Bob Hazelton. Honoured 1940.
The First Dapto Cricket Club
Member To Receive Life
Membership.**

Right Hand Opening Batsman
Right Arm Off Break Bowler.
Played For Dapto From Mid
1930's Until Enlisting In World
War 2. On Returning After
The War Continued To Play For
The Club For Many Years.
Highest Score 61. Best Bowling
4-45 And 3-10

Jerrematta Street
DAPTO NSW 2530
30.8.40

Dear Bob

On behalf of the Dapto Cricket Club I have much pleasure in informing you that you have been elected a Life Membership of the Dapto cricket Club.

The members fee that they owe you this honour for the earnestness, interest and sportsmanship which you put into the business and pleasure of the club while you were with us.

Also on behalf of the membership I wish you all the luck and good fortune possible and hope that it will not be long before you are back to take your place amongst us.

Yours sincerely
S G Swan, Honorary Secretary Treasurer
DAPTO CRICKET CLUB

A CASE OF POETIC JUSTICE

DAPTO V WESTS, REED PARK 1958-59 SEASON

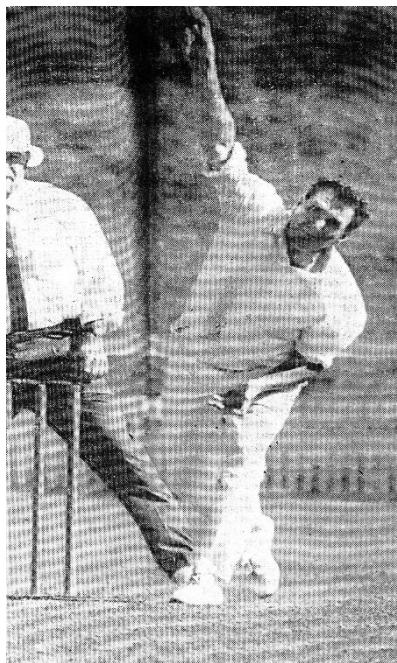
by Lisle House

Wests new player had come from the Orange area with the reputation of being a good batsman. It was the first time we had played against him, and he was facing the bowling of Max Hurry. Max got a ball to hurry through of the pitch, the batsman managed to get down on it at the last thing. Max thought the ball had got through, and choked back an appeal when he realised that it hadn't.

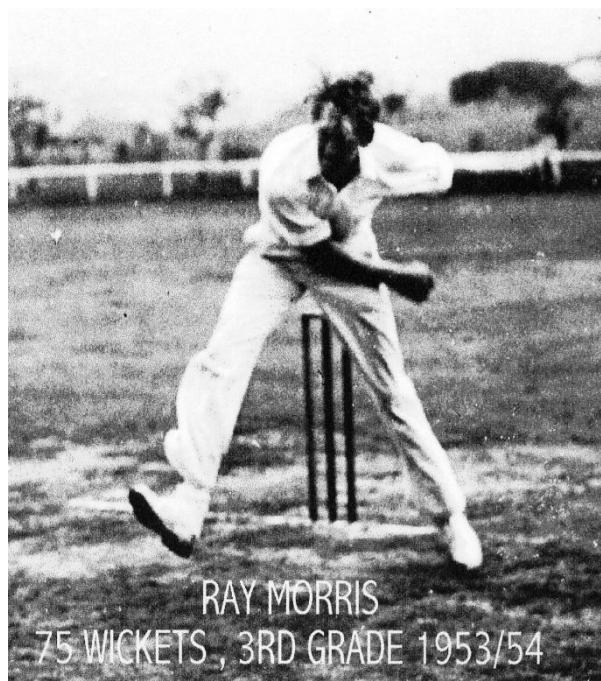
What are you appealing at you "MUG" the batsman said to Max, Max never replied, he never was one to let opposing players get to him, he ran in bowled the perfect answer, a ball which shattered the stumps "HOW'S THAT YOU MUG" shouted ten fieldsmen.

The new boy walked off, and the Reverend Roy Grey, Wests captain come out to bat, he inquired of me as he walked past what the antics were about?. I told him what had transpired, and he remarked, that jolly well served him right.

All the incident did was to spur Max on to a better things as he dismissed the next four Wests batsman without conceding a run, and finished with the good figures of 7 - 30.



Bob Fox – Life Member



1st grade report 1958-59 season

by Lisle House

A very poor season had by the batsmen with only two scores of any note Jack McInnes scored 48 against Wollongong, and Max hurry 43 n/o against Woonona.

The Bowlers in contrast had a good year, Ray Morris captured 53 wickets a club record at that time, a feature of Ray's bowling was an inspired spell against the Balgownie side, in the second innings Ray took 8-20 ALL BOWLED, which gave him a total of 14 wickets for 40 in this game.

Max Hurry also had a big game against West's when he took 7 wickets for 30, at one stage having taken 5 wickets without conceding a run, Max also took 6-19 against Thirroul.

Lofty Hines had a haul of 7-37, and Lisle House chipped in with 6 wickets against Cringila if the batsman had performed the season would have been a reasonable one as it appears the bowlers were up to the task.

There are no figures available for the second or third grades.

MAC PAVED THE WAY



Corrimal's star all-rounder, Edgar MacMicking, pushes this ball away to the off in the first-grade cricket match against Dapto at Cawley Park on Saturday. Wicketkeeper John Jaffrey and "Lofty" Hines, at square leg, look on expectantly. MacMicking made 50 in Corrimal's score of 273, and with Trevor Large paved the way for the team's big score.

A LONG TIME BETWEEN DRINKS

FOR THE DAPTO CRICKET CLUB

Dapto Cricket Club won the 2nd Grade competition in 1922-23 season, Lindsay Evans won the batting average @ 40·6 with a top score of 169.

Jim Fields won the bowling with 12 wickets @ 6·75, also getting the highest score of 170.

Bill Arthur captured 52 wickets @ 7·07.

Mr Jas McDonald donated trophies for the highest score & the bowler who took the most wickets. Jim Fields & Billy Arthur were the winners of these.

It was another 30 years before a Dapto side was to win another premiership 1953-54, Ray Morris was playing in the 1st Grade side & had taken 13 wickets, and was doing quite well, then in a match against Port Kembla had words with the Umpire who had no-balled him on several occasions.

Henry Longbottom the Dapto Captain asked Ray to apologise Ray refused. The club decided to deal with Ray by dropping him to third grade as a disciplinary measure.

Lisle House was playing in the 2nd grade side which was top heavy with good medium pace bowlers. despite having taken 7 wickets in the 1st game of the season he wasn't getting any bowling so the selectors decided to drop him to 3rd grade as well.

These two combined to be a very successful opening attack, also in the was a capable swing bowler Keith Thomas this 3rd option gave the side a well balanced attack, behind the stumps was one Bill Burrows probably the best wicketkeeper ever to play third grade in the District.

It was said that the only reason Bill never kept wickets for Australia side was because he was playing in the same era as Bert Oldfield. he came from the Bowral District and had played against Bradman. Bill was the veteran stage but still good enough to stand over the stumps to Ray Morris who bowled quick.

This gave the bowlers a decided advantage as the batsman remained anchored in their crease most of the time, those who moved out of the crease, and missed always paid the penalty,

The batting was lead by Duncan Donaldson who scored very well during the season, he was well supported by Bill Burrows, Nev Hurry, Cliff Brown, Col Johnston, Ray and Lisle House who during the season all made some valuable contributions with bat.

Merv Evans, and the evergreen captain Ted Blissenden also batted well on occasions.

The last match of the season was against Wollongong who were dismissed in their 2nd innings for 9 runs. Ray Morris dismissed 5 batsman for 4 runs, and Lisle House took 4-3.

The team had qualified for the finals, and were to play Corrimal in the semi-final. Dapto batted first, and compiled 62 runs, in Corrimal's first innings they declared with 9 down for

30. Dapto batted for a second time, and collapsed for 38 of which Duncan Donaldson scored 22, this left Corrimbal 70 runs for victory.

Their innings started disastrously, Ray Morris began with a maiden over & Lisle House took wickets with the 1st two balls of his opening over from the other end, after 14·2 overs Corrimbal were all out for 7 runs (the now Dapto's President David Fryer's brother Tom being the top scorer with 4 runs). of the Corrimbal batsman 9 failed to score, there were 2 byes and two run-outs.

Ray Morris took 5 - 4 off 7·2, eight ball overs Lisle house took 3-1 off 7, eight ball overs .

Wollongong beat Keira in the other semi-final , so it was Dapto V's Wollongong in the final, Wollongong batted first, and scored 75. They were in a lot of trouble early however Bill Burrows made a rare mistake dropped a catch.

The batsman then decided to hit out, and put on a partnership of 42, this brought about a change in the bowling Lisle House was taken off, and Keith Thomas took the ball. Ray Morris again taking the honours with 7·28, Lisle House 2·34, and Keith Thomas 1·5.

Dapto in their first innings scored 107 with Duncan Donaldson scoring 20 runs Nev Hurry 17, Ray House 15 n/o C Johnston 13 & bill Burrows 10.

Wollongong in their second innings scored 55 with only one batsman Stu Potter in double figures with 20, Lisle House took the bowling honours with 5·11, with Ray Morris Taking 4·29.

Dapto required 23 for victory, and lost 4 wickets for 34 Duncan Donaldson being 16 not out. With no batting figures available Duncan would appear to have been the most successful batsman,

Bowling; Ray Morris, and Lisle Hose shared the spoils Ray taking 75 wickets at an average of 4·6, Lisle 48 wickets at 4·1

Lisle, and Ray House who played in this side were a son, and Grandson of Bob House who played in the 1922-23 premiership winning team.

Lisle House

SELECTED TEAMS FOR THE FIRST ROUND 1958-59 SEASON

1st Grade

W Tuckey	L House	S Dawes
K Wells	J Jaffrey	M Hurry
J M Innes	I Wearne	I Sinclair
K Hines	R Morris	

2nd Grade

A Hayes	C Sandy	A Swan
C Brown	J Kimbal	R Burcher
J Detherbridge	B Waddell	A Hobbs
T Rutledge	R Kelly	

3rd Grade

J Smith
B Fishburn
N Hurry
A Lucraft

L Walters
J Seager
D Donaldson
C Smith

S Marsland
J Davies
A Steele
D Porter

Batting

J M Innes	48
M Hurry	38 not out

Wollongong
Woonona

Bowling

R Morris	8-20	Balgownie
R Morris	6-20	Balgownie
R Morris	5-23	Thirroul
R Morris	5-66	Wollongong
R Morris	5-67	Woonona
R Morris	5-74	Corrimal
M Hurry	7-30	Wests
M Hurry	6-19	Thirroul
M Hurry	5-23	Woonona
L Hines	7-37	Cringila
L House	6-33	Cringila

Club Record

Ray Morris	53 wickets for the season
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TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1959-60 SEASON

1st GRADE

J McInnes	L House	R Morris
J Detherbridge	M Hurry	N Hurry
J Jaffrey	W Gunn	R House
J Smythe	T Rutledge	

2ND GRADE

A Swan	E Aitken	R Kelly
C Brown	D Bailey	J Davies
A Lucraft	A Harrison	J Kimball
A Hayes	A Hobbs	

3rd GRADE

P Hurst	L Walters	J Smith
A Steele	K Carpenter	I Wearne
Bullard	G Jaffrey	D Middleton
N Seiler	T Sommerin	R Johnston

BATTING

W Tuckey	76	Cringila
M Hurry	40	Port Kembla
C Payne	38	Cringila

BOWLING

M Hurry	5-61	Cringila
L House	4-34	Corrimal
L House	4-42	Woonona
R Morris	4-23	

2nd GRADE

A Hayes	Hat Trick	Cringila
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3rd GRADE

I Wearne	135 (Club Record)	Corrimal
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BEST BOWLING FIGURES

N Seiler	8-18 (Club Record)	
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1959-1960

1st GRADE

The 1959-60 season was very wet, a lot of matches disrupted by the conditions. This was reflected by the low number of scores of any note, this in itself cannot be blamed for the overall poor performances.

Warren Tuckey was the only player to top 50 runs, Max Hurry the only bowler to take 5 wickets in an innings.

Batting Average	Warren Tuckey	150 runs @ 13.6
Bowling Average	Lisle House	12 wickets @ 19.9

2nd GRADE

Finished 5th in the competition, the batting being consistent without any big scores being registered, Jack Smith having one fifty to his credit.

The Bowling was much the same with the exception being a Hat-Trick by Alan Hayes, Alan took 4 wickets with successive balls, this was the 19th time that he had been on a hat-trick, and was the 1st time he was successful so it was well deserved.

Batting Average	J Detherbridge	114 runs @ 38.0
Bowling Average	A Harrison	15 wickets @ 8.0

3rd GRADE

The thirds also finished 5th in their competition. The two highlights of the season were Ian Wearne scoring 135, which was the Club record. and Neville Seiler taking 8.18 also a club record..

Batting Average	I Wearne	199 runs @ 39.8
Bowling Average	J Davies	29 wickets @ 11.4

TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1960-61 SEASON

1st GRADE

N Hurry	W Tuckey	L Dare
J McInnes	C Brown	R Kelly
W Gunn	A Harrison	L House
T Sommerin	R Morris	

2nd GRADE

A Hayes	D Aitken	J Smith
J Eason	I Sinclair	C Sandy
A Swan	J Ireland	J Smythe
A Steele		

3rd GRADE

J White L Walters N Morris
G Morris R Johnston N Seiler
R Turnball A Atkinson K Carpenter
P Hurst W Jackson N Clarke

BATTING

R Kerridge	50	Warrawong
R Kerridge	38	Corrimal
J Stephens	73	Warrawong
N Hurry	69	Woonona
M Hurry	43	Keira

BOWLING

M Hurry	5·47	Warrawong
M Hurry	4·20	Corrimal
M Hurry	4·27	Port Kembla
R Kerridge	4·9	Western Suburbs
R Kerridge	4·24	Corrimal
R Morris	5·32	Balgownie
W Tuckey	5·23	Woonona
L House	3·7	Balgownie

1960-1961

1st GRADE

This season was an improvement on the previous year, two players Ron Kerridge, and John Stephens proved to be good acquisitions. There were some good innings played but not with enough consistency to rise above 7th on the premiership ladder.

Ron Kerridge, John Stephens, Max Hurry, and Nev Hurry all made good scores while Ron Kerridge, and Max Hurry had some good bowling figures, unfortunately Warren Tuckey with the bat, and Ray Morris played well below their best.

Batting Average	Ron Kerridge	198 runs	@ 18·0
Bowling Average	Max Hurry	18 wickets	@ 12·3

2nd GRADE

The second grade once again were not far from a semi-final spot finishing in sixth position on the ladder. There were no performances of note however there must have been some consistency to finish so close.

Batting Average	Ian Sinclair	140	runs	@ 28.00
Bowling	J White	12	wickets	@ 10.8

3rd GRADE

The third grade side finished well down the ladder in 9th place. There were no performances to speak of, a disappointing year for the lower grade teams.

Batting Average	G Morris	78	runs	@ 78.0
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Bowling Average	R Johnston	13	Wickets	@ 9.8
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LIFE MEMBERSHIP

A Hayes was made a LIFE MEMBER of the Illawarra Cricket Association a distinction thoroughly deserved as Alan has set a fine example both as a player, and Administrator

TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1961-1962

1st GRADE

J McInnes	R Kerrigde	N Hurry
M Hurry	J Stephen	I Sinclair
J Ireland	C Quinliven	R J Kelly
W Gunn	C Brown	

2nd GRADE

D Bailey	A Hayes	N Seiler
A Harrison	T Sommerin	C Sandy
B Digby	G Morris	K Faulks
J Harrison	G Dimond	

3rd GRADE

C Sloan	L Walters	J Kelly
J Himde	N Morris	B Johnston
A Ashley	J Bolger	J Anderson
B Kirkup	A Fleming	J Storey
G Hynde	E Aitken	

BATTING

R Kerridge	68	University
R Kerridge	41	Warrawong
R Kerridge	35	Warrawong
C Quinlivan	58	Warrawong
C Quinliven	54	Balgownie
J Stephen	53	Woonona
N Hurry	52	Woonona

BOWLING

I Sinclair	5.54	Keira
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At the Annual General Meeting the Treasurer reported the club to be ".....in a sound financial position with a balance if £28.0.0. (\$56)"

It was also decided, after considerable discussion that our caps should be green with gold monogram and piping.

1961-1962

1st GRADE

This year the first grade side slipped back to 10th place. There were some good individual batting performances without any consistency. Ron Kerridge being best. Clarrie Quinliven also managed two half centuries, Nev Hurry, and John Stephens being the best of the remainder. Ray Morris never played, and his penetration was sorely missed in the bowling department, the other normally reliable bowlers such as Max Hurry had bad years.

The only bright spot was the selection of Ron Kerridge in The Illawarra Representative side.

Batting Average	Ron Kerridge	297 runs	@ 33.0
Bowling Averages	Jack McInnes	15 wickets	@ 17.3

2nd GRADE

An improved performance by the second grade side made the semi-final Brian Jeffries, and Keith Faulks batted consistently all season, Charlie Sandy bowled well, and he was well supported by Nev Seiler, Alan Hayes, and Allan Harrison.

Batting Average	Brian Jeffries	198 runs	@ 22.0
Bowling Average	Charlie Sandy	38 wickets	@ 8.6

FINAL

WESTS	1st Innings	183
Dapto	1st Innings	93
A Harrison		18
B Jeffries		93
J Smith		11
Dapto	2nd Innings	4.59
B Jeffries		30 *
C Brown		22

West won on the first innings

3rd GRADE

Finished 7th in the competition batting being their downfall. With the ball Jim Kelly had a good season.

Batting Average	Charlie Sloan	177 runs	@ 12.8
Bowling Average	Jim Kelly	23 wickets	@ 8.5

TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1962-1963

1st GRADE

W Tuckey	C Quinliven	R Kerridge
J McInnes	M Hurry	N Hurry
A Harrison	R Morris	E Nugara
T Sommerin	V Teheolde	

2nd GRADE

A Hayes	I Sinclair	N Seiler
J Smith	C Brown	C Sandy
R Sloan	J Hurry	L House
K Faulks		

3rd GRADE

L Walters	J Kelly	J Hynde
R Bolger	B Noonan	L Fitzsimmons
A McIlvar	G Dimond	B Digby
G Lindsay		
E Aitken		

BATTING

W Tuckey	75	Thirroul
W Tuckey	56	Warrawong
W Tuckey	36	Balgownie
M Hurry	52	Thirroul
M Hurry	44 *	Corrimal
R Kerridge	47	Wests
N Hurry	42	Corrimal

BOWLING

I Sinclair	7.37	Thirroul
I Sinclair	5.64	University
A Harrison	6.30	Thirroul
R Morris	5.42	Wests
R Morris	4.34	
R Morris	4.28	
M Hurry	3.14	Keira
J Kelly	3.11	

CENTURY IN 2nd GRADE

J Smith	100	Corrimal
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1962-1963

1st GRADE

Despite an improved all round performance with the both bat, and ball the team still finished well down the ladder in 9th place. It was good to see Warren Tuckey find some form putting together several good scores, he was helped by Max Hurry who was back in the side. The other batsmen however failed to get amongst the runs.

Ian Sinclair had a couple of good spells with the ball including one 7 wicket haul against Thirroul, Ray Morris was also back not as devastating as he had been previously but still getting amongst the wickets, Allan Harrison also took 6 in an innings against Thirroul.

Batting Average	Warren Tuckey	202 runs	@ 20.2
Bowling Average	Ray Morris	21 wickets	@ 10.6

2nd GRADE

The second grade side had a very good season were only beaten once in the premiership rounds. They were the minor premiers. The batsman had a good year led by Keith Faulks with some good scores, the best effort with the bat was Jack Smith's century against Corrimal.

The bowlers all chipped in, and shared the wickets around. Alan Hayes, Nev Seiler, Jim Hurry, and Lisle House all put together some good spells, unfortunately the team was beaten in the semi-final.

Batting Average	Keith Faulks	317 runs	@ 35.2
Bowling Average	Lisle House	25 wickets	@ 6.7

SEMI-FINAL

Dapto	1st Innings	147	Wests	1st Innings	226
					Lisle House 3.47

Wests won on the first innings

3rd GRADE

The third grade finished well down the ladder in 8th place, Geoff Lindsay led the way with the bat with some consistent scores. In the bowling the spoils were shared around between Kevin Kirk, Les Walters, and Gordon Dimond.

Batting Average	Geoff Lindsay	246 runs	@ 19.0
Bowling Average	Kevin Kirk	13 wickets	@ 12.5

TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1963-1964 SEASON

1st GRADE

I Sinclair	R Kerridge	G Boxsell	R Morris
K Faulks	R Williams	J Jaffrey	A Keay
R Pearson	W Tuckey		

2nd GRADE

A Hayes	J Kelly	J Blissenden	J Hurry
M Hurry	C Quinliven	B Jeffries	N Hurry
N Dare	R J Kelly	R Sloan	

3rd GRADE (Green)

G Lindsay	R M Kelly	J Smith	J Dungey
G Dimond	N Seiler	K Kirk	R Marshall
G Morris	T Sommerin	J Sutherland	

3rd GRADE (Gold)

W Gunn	G Bryant	K Thomas	N Williams
B Noonan	A McIlvar	J Burrows	M Carr
A Fleming	B Digby	A Steele	
(Reserves)	A Blain	A Swan	C Bond

BATTING

G Boxsell	115	Balgownie
G Boxsell	104	Woonona
G Boxsell	97	Woonona
A Keay	82	Woonona
A Keay	64	Balgownie
A Keay	52	Woonona
R Kerridge	79	Thirroul
R Kerridge	50 *	Port Kembla
G Bryant	55	Port Kembla

BOWLING

R Morris	6.64	Keira
R Morris	5.23	Port Kembla
R Morris	4.58	Balgownie
G Boxsell	5.43	Thirroul
G Boxsell	5.43	Warrawong
G Boxsell	4.35	Port Kembla
I Sinclair	5.63	Wollongong

1963-1964

1st GRADE

A new look first grade side took the field, with Geoff Boxsell, Alf Keay, Roy Williams, and Ron Pearson included a big improvement was expected. The expected move up the ladder did not happen only one place was gained 9th to 8th. This despite 2 centuries, and a 97 from Geoff Boxsell, three good scores from Alf Keay likewise Ron Kerridge with two good scores, G Bryant chipping in with a half century.

Geoff Boxsell, and Ray Morris headed the bowling with some good performances, the only other bowler to rake 5 wickets in an innings was Ian Sinclair, and that tells a story. The other bowlers couldn't have performed, it was a disappointing season.

Apart from Geoff Boxsell winning the clubs Batting, Bowling, and Fielding awards, he was,

"THE ILLAWARRA PLAYER OF THE YEAR"

Illawarra Batting Average	Geoff Boxsell	520 runs	@ 57.7
DCC Bowling Average	Geoff Boxsell	32 wickets	@ 12.9
Catches in Season	Geoff Boxsell	14	

2nd GRADE

The second grade side had a very good season they played good cricket all year, and capped it off by winning the final defeating Wollongong.

Brian Jeffries scored 391 runs which was a club record in this grade, Jim Kelly captured 49 wickets which was also a club record, the whole side performed very well, and it was a thoroughly deserved win.

Batting Average	Max Hurry	166 runs	@ 41.5
Bowling Average	Max Hurry	24 wickets	@ 7.4

FINAL

Dapto	1st innings	8.253	2nd innings	2.78
J Hurry	66 n/o		E Nugara	33
C Quinliven	57		N Dare	22
Wollongong	1st innings	63		
A Hayes	5.29			
J Kelly	3.24			

Dapto won by 190 runs on the first innings.

1963-1964 Cont:-

3rd GRADE

A top season was also had by the third grade sides, the Gold side being the premiers, and the Green side finished in the seventh spot.

Alex Fleming, and Noel Dare before he was promoted batted well, evergreen Jack Smith also batted well, Keith Thomas with 60 wickets Peter Mascara with 42, and Gordon Dimond all had good seasons with the ball.

Batting Average	Alec Fleming	@ 57.2
Bowling Average	Peter Mascord	42 wickets @ 8.0

FINAL

Dapto	1st innings 128	Thirroul	1st Innings	118
Jack Smith	33	Thirroul	2nd innings	48
E Bean	39 n/o	G Dimond		6.22
		P Mascord		3.25

DAPTO WINNING ON THE FIRST INNINGS.

The club opposed a move by the South Coast Association to have Dapto transferred to its area



1965 - 66 3rd GRADE PREMIERS

BACK ROW (L-R): Ray Kelly, Keith Thomas, Kicker Kirkland, Nev. Siler, Norm Cardwell, Gordon Morris, Ray Marshall.

FRONT ROW: Jack Smith, Trevor Johnston, Geoff Lindsay (Capt.), Taffy Sommerin, Nev. Hurry.

TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1964-1965 SEASON

1st GRADE

A Hayes	R Morris	M Hurry	R Kerridge
A Keay	W Tuckey	J Blissenden	J Jaffrey
B Jeffries	R Williams	C Quinliven	N Morris

2nd Grade

I Sinclair	J Kelly	P Mascord	R Pearson
R J Kelly	J McInnes	K Faulks	N Dare
J Hurry	J Smith	E Nugara	

3rd Grade (Green)

G Lindsay	G Dimond	J Sutherland	J Dungey
R M Kelly	R Marshall	W Freame	G Morris
T Sommerin	A Steele	N Taylor	

3rd Grade (Gold)

W Gunn	M Carr	J Stephens	K Kirk
J Burrows	B Noonan	R Sloan	A Fleming
A McIlvar	P Nunan	B Digby	R Walker (12th Man)

Batting

C Quinliven	107	Wollongong
C Quinliven	69	Port Kembla
A Keay	54	Warrawong
M Kelly	56	Corrimal
M Hurry	57	Warrawong
R Williams	55	Warrawong
R Pearson	45	Keira

Bowling

M Hurry	6·13 & 3·40	Woonona
M Hurry	8·44	Keira
M Hurry	5·45	Corrimal
M Hurry	5·56	Corrimal
M Hurry	4·42	Warrawong
N Morris	5·61	Thirroul
R Morris	4·21	Port Kembla
R Morris	4·51	Corrimal
R Kerridge	4·44	Woonona
R Kerridge	3·17	Port Kembla

1964-1965

1st GRADE

Geoff Boxsell's departure to try his hand in Sydney was a major loss. Clarrie Quinliven was back in the top grade, and scored a century against Wollongong, and a half century against Port Kembla. The batting was reasonable with Alf Keay, Roy Williams, Max Hurry, and Maurie Kelly all scoring fifties.

Max Hurry struck form with a vengeance after Christmas taking a lot of wickets, his best being 8·44 against Keira who were a good batting side, Ray Morris, and Ron Kerridge also bowled well at times.

The team finished 8th the same as the previous season.

Batting Average	Clarrie Quinliven	no figures available
Bowling Average	Max Hurry	37 wickets @ 10·6

2nd GRADE

Second grade made the semi-finals, Bill Jaffrey led the way with the bat, well supported by Jim Blissenden, Jack Murray, and G Bryant

Ian Sinclair was the best of the bowlers, with Jim Kelly, Peter Mascord, and Jim Hurry handy support. The team won the semi-final beating Wests, they then played Port Kembla in the final, and were soundly beaten.

FINAL

Dapto	1st innings	142	Port Kembla	1st innings	358
G Bryant		34			
J Blissenden		30			
J Hurry		21			
J Jaffrey		19			
J McInnes		13			

3rd GRADE

Both third grade sides finished out of the top four, highlight of the season was Bill Gunn's Century 118 n/o

Batting Average	Bill Gunn	No Figures Available
Bowling Average	R M Kelly	No Figures Available

TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1965-1966 SEASON

1st GRADE

C Quinliven	R Williams	G Bryant	E Nugara
M Hurry	J Kelly	W Tuckey	W Jaffrey
R Pearson	R Kerridge	T Johnston	

2nd GRADE

A Hayes	R J Kelly	A Kirkland	J Hurry
W Gunn	K Faulks	N Seiler	N Morris
J Blissenden	G Carpenter	A Ridley	J Burrows

3rd GRADE (Green)

G Lindsay	P Mascord	G Dimond	G Morris
R M Kelly	J Smith	T Sommerin	N Hurry
W Freame	R Marmont	A Mascord	

3rd GRADE (Gold)

G Smith	P Scupin	A McIlvar	A Smith
K Parker	B Noonan	M Carr	N Taylor
T Smith	A Sikk	R Mason	P Spicer

BATTING

G Carpenter	73	Wollongong
G Carpenter	64	Wests
G Carpenter	57*	Keira
G Carpenter	41	Warrawong
M Hurry	55	Wollongong
M Hurry	51	Port Kembla
C Quinliven	74	Balgownie
R Pearson	85	University
W Tuckey	46	Balgownie
J Hurry	42 *	University

BOWLING

M Hurry	7.29	Thirroul
M Hurry	5.18	Corrimal
M Hurry	5.43	Corrimal
M Hurry	5.31	Balgownie
M Hurry	4.30	University
G Bryant	5.23	University
R Kerridge	4.27	Corrimal
I Sinclair	4.35	Port Kembla

1965-1966

1st GRADE

Geoff Carpenter transferred from Corrimal, and had a fine season, with three scores over 50. Ron Pearson had a score of 85, and Clarrie Quinliven one for 74. Max Hurry also had two scores of 50.

Bowler Max Hurry had another excellent season with one 7 wicket haul, three of 5 wickets, and one of 4. But overall the other bowlers failed with several batsmen near the top of the averages and only Hurry a factor with the ball. The team finished 9th.

Batting Average	G Carpenter	404 runs @ 33.6
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Bowling Average	Max Hurry	39 wickets @ 12.9
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2nd GRADE

The side failed to perform, finishing 9th. The batting department was best served by Jim Hurry with limited appearances in the side. The evergreen Alan Hayes was the best with the ball. This was a disappointing year all-round.

Batting Average	Jim Hurry	148 runs @ 74.0
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Bowling Average	Alan Hayes	24 wickets @ 8.6
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3rd Grade

The 3rd grade (Green) side had an excellent year, winning the premiership. The 3rd grade (Gold) side had a reasonable year, finishing 8th. Jack Smith once again had a very good year with the bat, and scored a century against Wests. Norm Cardwell, Geoff Lindsay, Trevor Johnston, and Ray Marshall also contributed with the bat.

3rd Grade Century

Jack Smith	113 n/o	Wests
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Batting Average	Jack Smith	392 runs @ 28.0
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Bowling Average	Trevor Johnston	44 wickets @ 7.1
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SEMI-FINAL

Dapto 1st innings	171	Balgownie	49 & 121
Neville Seiler	29	Keith Thomas	4.18 & 3.27
Ray Marshall	23	Trevor Johnston	4.14 & 4.36
Trevor Johnston	21	Neville Seiler	2.50
Gordon Morris	21		

1965-1966 Cont:-

FINAL

Dapto 1st innings	134	Wollongong	9.46
Trevor Johnston	46	Trevor Johnston	6.11
Norm Cardwell	32	Keith Thomas	2.13
Geoff Lindsay	18	Neville Seiler	2.50
Dapto 2nd innings	88	Wollongong 2nd innings	91
R M Kelly	18	Trevor Johnston	1.13
Geoff Lindsay	18	Keith Thomas	3.32
		Neville Seiler	5.37

DAPTO WON OUTRIGHT



THE ASIAN TOURISTS – 1982/83

TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1966-1967

1st Grade

R Fox	R Williams	R Pearson	M Hurry
M Kelly	G Winchester	P Bayliss	A Fleming
W Haviland	M Robertson		

2nd Grade

W Gunn	T Hickey	T Jones	G Tasker
T Johnston	J Burrows	G Bryant	K Fanning
A Ridley	J Hurry	L House	

3rd Grade(Gold)

C Quinliven	G Smith	A Smith	S Smith
M Carr	N Taylor	N Williams	I Duncan
A Hayes	M Pollard	G Quinlivan	

3rd Grade(Green)

J Smith	R Marshall	N Hurry	N Cardwell
R Condon	A Mascord	G Dimond	J Relfe
W Freame	R Marmont	G Morris	

Batting

R Fox	80	University
R Fox	60	Warrawong
R Pearson	55	Wests
M Hurry	55	Woonona

Bowling

R Fox	7.18	University
R Fox	5.33	Port Kembla
R Fox	5.55	Warrawong
R Fox	4.30	Balgownie
W Haviland	5.24	Keira
W Haviland	5.42	Corrimal
P Bayliss	5.13	Wests
R Kerridge	5.19	Keira

Hatrick 1st Grade

Hat-Trick 3rd Grade

Warren Haviland	V	Keira	Neville Seiler	V	University
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<u>Century 3rd Grade</u>	Clarrie Quinliven	102	Woonona
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1966-1967

1st Grade

The club gained the services of Bob Fox, the IDCA player of the year the previous season, and was possibly the best all-rounder in the district. Warren Haviland an opening bowler from Corrimal, and Peter Bayliss a new ball bowler from Wests also joined the club.

With Max Hurry leading the bowling, and the attack having plenty of depth a promising season seemed assured. The bowling attack did perform quite well but it could be said that the batting was very ordinary. There were only four scores of more than 50, Bob Fox having two of these. Despite this poor batting the team finished 5th on the premiership table.

Batting Average	Bob Fox	274 runs	@ 27.4
Bowling Average	Bob Fox	43 wickets	@ 9.7



Merrick Mildenhall at the Tennis Club Building, Reed Park 1983/84?

2nd Grade

The second grade side also encountered batting problems. There were no performances to talk about. As in the first's the bowling was quite good with Trevor Johnston having 41 wickets to his credit.

Batting Average	Lisle House	223 runs	@ 17.1
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Bowling Average	Trevor Johnston	41 wickets	@ 9.3
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3rd Grade

Both third grade sides had successful seasons. The Gold side made it through to the final, and the Green side finished in fifth spot. The two experienced players Clarrie Quinliven, and Jack Smith once again batted well, Clarrie hitting a very good 100 against Woonona.

Neville Seiler was the best of the bowlers having one of his best seasons capturing 40 wickets.

Batting Average	Jack Smith	364 runs	@ 33.0
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Bowling Average	Neville Seiler	40 wickets	@ 8.0
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FINAL

Dapto	1st innings	133	Wests	1st innings	191
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Clarrie Quinliven	33	Wests won on the 1st innings
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TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1967-1968 SEASON

1st Grade

R Fox	J Blissenden	P Bayliss	R Williams
R Kerridge	R Pearson	W Haviland	K Wells
J Jaffrey	G Bryant	M Robertson	

2nd Grade

W Gunn	K Fanning	N Hurry	S Smith
R J Kelly	L House	D Lambert	P Troy
G Cork	T Johnston	M Murdoch	

3rd Grade(Green)

J Smith	G Morris	N Seiler	K Thomas
W Freame	R M Kelly	G Winchester	P Commane
G Neale	R Marshall	R Scupin	

3rd Grade(Gold)

C Quinliven	G Quinliven	A Smith	G Smith
N Taylor	J Bedow	M Carr	D Errington
A Hayes	G Kohler		

BATTING

R Williams	57	Woonona	R Williams	57	Port Kembla
R Williams	56	University	R Williams	42*	Thirroul
R Williams	43	Wests	R Fox	96	Warrawong
G Bryant	92	University	J Blissenden	57	Wests
A Langmore	59	Warrawong	R Pearson	55	Keira
K Wells	47	Thirroul	R Kerridge	41	Keira
S Smith	41*	Keira			

BOWLING

R Kerridge	7.87	Warrawong	R Fox	6.21	Balgownie
R Fox	5.31	Thirroul	R Fox	4.34	
W Haviland	6.37	Wollongong	W Haviland	4.30	Keira

2n Grade CENTURY

N Hurry	103*	University
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1967-1968

1st Grade

A reversal in batting fortunes this season with Bob Fox hitting 96 against Warrawong, and Graham Bryant hitting 92 against University. There were six half centuries. Roy Williams led the batting with five scores over 50.

In contrast the bowling was not of a high standard with four hauls of 5 wickets or better. Ron Kerridge had the best figures with 7.87. This meant the team slipping down the ladder to seventh position. Keith Wells was a welcome addition after missing several years due to work commitments.

Batting Average	Roy Williams	309 runs	@ 28.0
Bowling Average	Warren Haviland	15 wickets	@ 12.8

2nd Grade

An impressive season with Neville Hurry very consistent with the bat receiving good support from Steve Smith, and Doug Lambert.

Keith Fanning bowled very well, and received good support from Trevor Johnston, and Geoff Cork. The team made the semi-final playing Wollongong.

Batting Average Neville Hurry 362 runs @ 40·0

Bowling Average Keith Fanning 47 wickets @ 9·4

SEMI-FINAL

Dapto	1st innings	107	Wollongong	1st innings	159
Dapto	2nd innings	57	Wollongong	2nd innings	152
Steve Smith		26	Geoff Cork		7·58

3rd Grade

The Third Grade Gold side had another successful year wining the competition. Third Grade Green side finished seventh.

Another good year with the bat by Clarrie Quinlivan who compiled 453 runs, he was ably assisted by Mick Carr, George Smith, and Graham Kohler.

Batting Average Clarrie Quinlivan 453 runs @ 28·0

Bowling Average Keith Faulks 23 wickets @ 8·1

Clarrie Quinlivan took 69 wickets in the season at an average of 10·8

Thirty Nine members were present at the Annual General Meeting.

TEAMS SELECTED FIRST ROUND 1968-1969

1st Grade

R Fox	R Williams	T Jones	S Smith
R Pearson	G Bryant	W Haviland	R Kerridge
P Bayliss	N Murdoch		

2nd Grade & 3rd Grade Teams Not Available

BATTING

R Williams	71	Keira	R Williams	49	Thirroul
R Williams	45	Corrimal	R Williams	44	Wests
R Fox	63	Warrawong	R Fox	50	Warrawong
R Fox	44	Wests	R Pearson	71	Warrawong
R Pearson	60	University	C Pitt	42	University
D Lambert	41	Thirroul			

BOWLING

R Fox	7·61	Woonona	R Fox	4·26	Wollongong
R Fox	4·32	Warrawong	P Bayliss	4·37	Balgownie
P Bayliss	4·51	Port Kembla			

1968-69

1st Grade

The batting was again consistent Roy Williams starring with the highest score of 71, and three scores over 40, Bob Fox also scored well as did Ron Pearson.

The bowling once again faltered, only once did a player take five wickets in an innings, by Bob Fox 7-61. Despite the bowling weaknesses, if Dapto had won the last game of the season they would have qualified for the finals.

Batting Average	Bob Fox	382 runs	@ 38.2
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Bowling Average	Roy Williams	25 wickets	@ 14.7
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2nd Grade

The second grade finished a lowly eighth with stalwart Neville Hurry once again was the to the fore with the bat, the bowling attack was led by Trevor Johnston,

1968-1969 cont :-

Batting Average	Neville Hurry	253 runs	@ 19.4
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Bowling Average	Trevor Johnston	23 wickets	@ 10.8
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3rd Grade

The thirds performed well all season, and were undefeated until the last competition game. Jack Smith who seemed to get better with age scored 564 runs a club record in Third Grade. This was a very fine achievement by Jack who was a very good club man.

Clarrie Quinlivan had a big year as well not only with the bat, but with the ball as well.

Batting Average	Jack Smith	564 runs	@ 29.6
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Bowling Average	Clarrie Quinlivan	55 wickets	@ 8.7
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SEMI-FINAL

Corrimbal defeated Dapto

SELECTED TEAMS FIRST ROUND 1969-1970

1st Grade

R Pearson	S Smith	B Brennan	A Fleming
G Bryant	R Fox	C Pitt	T Jones
B Sowden	W Haviland	E Johnston	

2nd & 3rd Grades Teams Unavailable

BATTING

R Pearson	53	Thirroul	R Pearson	56*	Warrawong
B Brennan	59	Wollongong	B Brennan	58	Port Kembla
B Brennan	77	Warrawong			

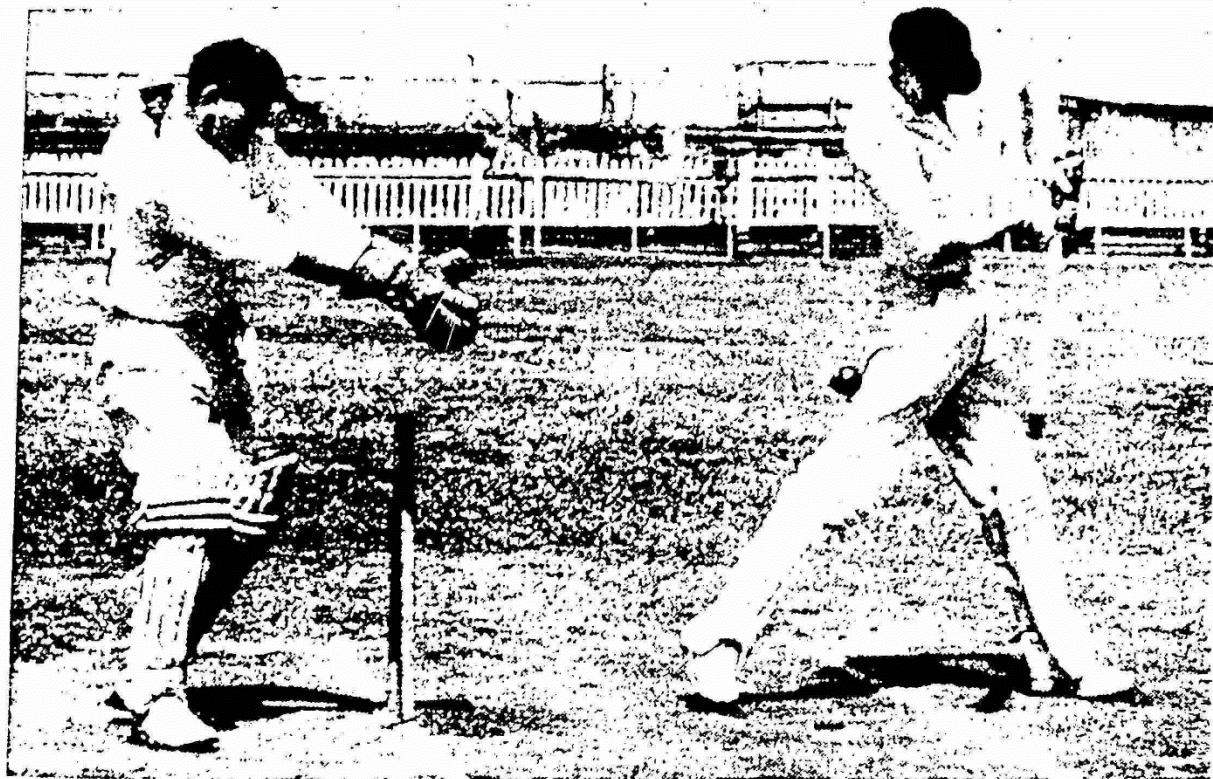
BOWLING

R Fox	6.36	Woonona	R Fox	5.40	Keira
R Fox	5.53	Balgownie	R Fox	4.45	Warrawong
P Bayliss	6.55	Warrawong	P Bayliss	4.60	Balgownie

3rd Grade BATTING

Greg Evans 107 Bill Fream 100 V's Warrawong
This Was A 200 Run Opening Partnership A Club Record In Third Grade

Warren Tuckey First Illawarra Representative Player



Dapto batsman Warren Tuckey missed this one against Cringila at Wollongong Showground on Saturday. The wicketkeeper is N. Brown. Cringila won on the first innings.

1969-1970

1st Grade

Two new faces for first grade side, Brian Brennan a very good opening batsman, and the IDCA cricketer of the year in the 1964-65 season. Along with Brian came Brian Sowden an all-rounder, both were from the Keira Club.

On the down side Roy Williams was lost to Wests. Roy had become a very useful all-rounder, and would be missed. Brian Brennan, and "Snicker" Pearson were the most successful of the batsmen, Brian scoring three 50's, and Snicker two.

Bob Fox, and Peter Bayliss were the best of the bowlers.

Batting Average	Brian Brennan	405 runs	@ 33.8
Bowling Average	Bob Fox	31 wickets	@ 13.5

2nd Grade

The second grade had an ordinary season finishing ninth. The best batsman once again was Neville Hurry. With the ball Jim Hurry had a good season, and finished second in the District bowling averages. Ian Sinclair also bowled well.

Batting Average	Neville Hurry	316 runs	@ 18.6
Bowling Average	Jim Hurry	26 wickets	@ 8.5

3rd Grade

The highlight of third grade's season was the double century opening partnership, 200 precisely between Bill Freame, and Greg Evans. Bill scored 100, and Greg 107. This was a very good effort by the old stager Bill, and the youngster Greg.

The team missed just missed out on the semi finals, finishing fifth. The bowling was quite a contest with both Alan Hayes, and Bevan Johnston performing well. Alan took the averages by just .2 of a run.

Batting Average	Bill Freame	243 runs	@ 24.3
Bowling Average	Alan Hayes	32 wickets	@ 10.0

CRICKET IN DAPTO

1970-79

by Gordon Turner

The 1970-1971 Season

The Illawarra competition this season included two clubs which have subsequently either merged or disbanded -Warrawong, and Woonona.

Again all first grade results are available but it has proven difficult to locate results of lower grades.

The season did not commence very well for Dapto. Batting first against Thirroul we were dismissed for a rather ordinary 126, Ron Pearson's 38 being the only contribution of note.

By the end of the first day's play the Thirroul openers had taken the score to 39 without loss, and seemed certain to record a win. On the second day however a devastating spell of bowling by Elwyn Johnston of 6-32 saw Thirroul dismissed for only 90.

In round two our bowling was not so effective, and Keira was able to declare at 9-296. This target was too difficult, and although Brian Brennan posted our first half century of the season we could only total 177.

Our second grade team was captained by Clarrie Quinlivan, and included George Smith (behind the stumps) and his son Anthony who generally opened the bowling. Another. son Steven, was a regular opener in first grade.

Round 3 saw our batting settle down a little better, and with solid contributions from Bob Fox (43) and Colin Pitt (41) we posted a very respectable 243, and then had Woonona 1-44.

The second day was unfortunately washed out. On the other hand our second grade had watched West's compile 6-274, and did not complain so much about the poor weather.

Western Suburbs proved a difficult opponent, and in spite of Bob Fox's 4-37 were able to declare at 9-204. Again this score was beyond us and no Dapto batsman really got on top of the bowling so that our total finished a less - than - impressive 135.

It is interesting to note that a prominent Illawarra cricketer was quoted in The Illawarra Mercury as follows. "The standard of cricket in the Illawarra is not as good as it was, but I think that has a lot to do with the outlook of the players. They just don't seem to have the same enthusiasm for the game these days....."

Bob Fox (57 no), and Brian Brennan (47) were the major contributors to our total of 184 but that was not sufficient as Warrawong compiled 189. Bob Fox completed a fine game by taking 7-62.

In second grade our lack of depth was clearly obvious. Whereas Warrawong were able to declare at 8-239 we would only muster totals of 42 and 52 in two efforts at the crease !!.

A one -day game against Woonona saw us muster a paltry 65. Woonona achieved this target but not without a struggle as Ron Kerridge took a most impressive 6-19.

At the Christmas break Dapto was sharing bottom place on the points ladder.

The first game of the New Year resulted in Balgownie running up a respectable 194. This was not an easy target but more determined batting (Brian Brennan 43, and Ron Pearson 38 no) saw us pass Balgownie's total with nine wickets down.

The batting improvement continued in the next game, and good efforts from Brian Brennan (64), and Steven Smith (53) saw us finish the day on 9-238. This was sufficient to hold out Corrimbal 172, Ron Kerridge having the best figures of 4-35.

These wins moved us up the ladder, and when our 196 (Elwyn Johnston 64, Bob Fox 71) proved just enough to hold out Port Kembla 193, Graham Wells taking 4-33, the local newspaper wrote ".... a thrilling form reversal.." and speculated on our chances of sneaking into fourth spot.

The next week-end seemed to reinforce this possibility when we managed to roll Wollongong for only 103. But the wicket proved a little tricky for us as well, and by the close of play we were 4-29 !. This was a position that we could not recover from, and the second day saw us all out for 87.

In the final game our low score of 9-102 (Bob Fox 44) was sufficient to defeat Thirroul who could only make 63 in the face of Ron Kerridge's accurate bowling which saw him finish with 4-16.

Overall, this was not a bad performance over the year, and we finished 6th, on the points table.

On an individual basis the club was honoured with Bob Fox's award of Illawarra Cricketer of the Year.

Second grade had a mixed year -putting up some good performances on occasions but generally not having the batting strength to worry most other teams.

Third grade had a very forgettable season - failing to win a single game and in an early match recording its lowest ever total of 11 !!!!

Long - serving Secretary, Bill Gunn reported that the last decade had seen "...much pleasing progress by the club....." Highlights included the laying of the turf wicket at Lakelands, one second grade and two third grade premierships.

Bill had served as Secretary for eleven years and his efforts for the club, both on and off the field were subsequently rewarded with Life Membership.

Averages

<u>First</u>	<u>Batting</u>	<u>Bowling</u>
	Bob Fox 333 @ 33.3	Ron Kerridge 23 @ 12.48
	Brian Brennan 317 @ 28.8	Elwyn Johnston 21 @ 14.33
<u>Second</u>	Neville Hurry 171 @ 12.2	Lisle House 15 @ 11.0
<u>Third</u>	No qualifiers	Hoppy Meeuwissen 21 @ 20.0

The 1971-1972 Season:

Again three senior teams were entered in the Illawarra District competition. This was the last season in which the "boundary" rule applied in the Illawarra. This meant that, (with the exception of the University Club) players were required to play for the District club within whose boundaries they resided.

Our first grade team was only slightly changed from last season, and the first day was spent in the field watching Balgownie compile 9·253. Bob Fox took 3·25, while playing his first game for Dapto, Warren Mann returned 5·85. The next week our batsmen responded with a sound but insufficient 9·222, Col Pitt scoring 59, and Bob Fox 53.

Our second grade started the season in good form by scoring 322 against Warrawong. (Ian Sinclair 141, and Neville Hurry 50) Ian then took 4·62 in Warrawong's total of 205.

The second round saw us roll Keira for 102 (Bob Fox 6·18), and then declare at 4·108. After Bob had taken 4·41 in its second innings. Keira declared at 7·128 leaving us a target of 122 for outright victory. Play closed with Dapto 8·100, and content with a first innings victory.

Batting first in a one-day game (the weather again !), 38 not out for Ron Kerridge, and 36 from Bob Fox contributed to a total of 6·159. This was sufficient against Balgownie - all out for 113 thanks largely to Elwyn Johnston's 6·25.

The next round saw a form reversal with Port Kembla mustering 9·214 in spite of Warren Mann's figures of 5·54. We could only reach 127 followed by 5·108. It was a simlar story in the second grade match(playing at Reed Park on mats) where, in reply to Port's 9·206 we could only manage 94.

In the final game before Christmas we passed Woonona's 173 (Ron Kerridge 5·46) by scoring 3·208 (Brian Brennan 103 not out).

In a third grade game Wollongong's 5·100 was too good for our 8·93 (Ray Galtress 4·44, and 31)

The first game of the new year saw us at 5·202 with Col Pitt 71, and Brian Brennan 42. Tight bowling from Ray House (3·33), and Bob Fox (3·54) confined Keira to 152, and meant that, at this stage Dapto was sharing fourth place on the competition ladder.

This position was not improved however when (one-day game) Corrimal scored 196 (Bob Fox 3·53), and in reply we could only total 67.

The following game produced a simlar result. Col Pitt scored 36, and Brian Brennan 33 in our total of 122 but Woonona easily passed this at 3·124.

Things did get worse however ! Wollongong scored 169 (Ron Kerridge 4·50) and at the end of the first day we were 3·30. The second day saw us all out for 54 followed by a second innings disaster of 68 !.

On the representative scene Col Pitt was selected in the Illawarra Under 21 team to play the A.C.T.

Elwyn Johnston was out for 99 in Dapto's total of 5·271 against Thirroul who could only manage 86 in the first innings, and 100 in the second.

In the last round we needed an outright win against West to finish in fourth spot, but in fact we lost on the first innings - West's scoring 217 (Elwyn Johnston 4·41, Bob Fox 3·41) while we only managed 134 of which Brian Brennan contributed 63.

In Second grade West's totalled 9·147 (Warren Mann 3·39) and then dismissed us for 107 (Ron Pearson 40)

While club spirit was quite high this was another season in which none of our teams made the semi-finals.

Our second grade had a fair chance to finish well up the ladder but were convincingly beaten in the final two games. Third grade were not strong, winning only one game in the season but captain Bill Freame ensured that team spirit was maintained at a high level.

1971-1972 Averages

<u>First</u>	<u>Batting</u>		<u>Bowling</u>	
	Brian Brennan	553 @ 41·33	Bob Fox	48 @ 12·81
	Bob Fox	379 @ 31·58		
<u>Second</u>	(Ian Sinclair	372 @ 41·33)	Ian Sinclair	24 @ 9·5
	(I.D.C.A Winner)		Lisle House	28 @ 13·39
<u>Third</u>	Peter Tibbits	273 @ 24·8	Keith Thomas	16 @ 12·1

The 1972-1973 Season

A significant change in Illawarra cricket commenced the season when "open" boundaries came into effect, although Dapto did not acquire many new players.

The first day saw us dismiss Port Kembla for a modest 124, (Bob Fox 5·23), and a first innings win seemed likely when we finished the day at 4·79. The next week was a different story, and we finished on 117 - Ron Person's 41 being the major contribution. Seeking outright points the Port Kembla captain declared at 6·142 leaving us to chase 150. This we managed with just one over to spare - Dick Dowse scoring 41.

Dick's good form continued in the next game when he knocked up 110 not out in our total of 248. Unfortunately the weather prevented us taking advantage of this good score, and the second day was washed out.

The following game was a different story as our total was a very ordinary 106 (Col Pitt 37). Bob Fox took two early wickets, and Balgownie would not have been too comfortable at 2·4. Bob's great form with the ball continued the following week, and he finished with the **incredible figures of 9·40!** (the last batsman was run out) This fine bowling enabled us to dismiss Balgownie for 94, and at that stage we were second on the competition ladder. In contrast, our second grade was running last.

Keith McWaters' bowling (5·33) enabled us to restrict Wests to 100, and Brian Brennan's 52 ensured a first innings victory.

In a one-day game Thirroul scored 9·151 (Bob Fox 4·65), and again Brian Brennan contributed a half-century in our total of 7·152.

Wollongong then inflicted our first defeat although Keith McWaters scored 51.

In the first game of the new year Keira scored 143 (Ron Kerridge 3·22), and we replied with 7·149 (Col Pitt 37 not out, Trevor Jones 37)

Woonona struggled to 83 (Ian Sinclair 4·29, Bob Fox 3·21) but that seemed a reasonable total when we finished the day at 6·56 ! More determined batting the next week enabled us to reach 98, and then roll Woonona in their second innings for only 90 (Bob Fox 3·13 Keith

McWaters 3·19). This meant that we needed to score 75 in 50 minutes which we did for the outright win.

Bob Fox 3·38, and Keith McWaters 3·57 bowled well in Warrawong's total of 208 but the following Saturday was washed out, so were the next four Saturdays, and we were then defeated in a one-day game by Wollongong, the competition leaders. (Dapto 7·144- Dick Dowse 53, Bob Fox 39 not out. Wollongong 5·145).

We suffered another defeat in the final round against Keira who scored 130 in reply to our 98 (Neville Hurry 28). Dapto had finished fourth, and became a first grade semi-finalist for the first time.

Our opponents were Wollongong, and the match was played at Crehan Park, Cringila. The first day was a wash-out, and Col Pitt sent Wollongong in - hoping for a small total to chase in the limited time. This turned out to be the case, Bob Fox (5·12), and Keith McWaters (5·61) bowling unchanged to dismiss the Minor Premiers for just 79. This low target began to appear a little difficult to reach however when we quickly found ourselves four wickets down for only nine runs!!

At this stage Col Pitt was joined by Dick Dowse, and these two saw us safely past the target - Dick scoring 32, and Col finishing on 48 not out. And so to our first final- against Corrimbal. We batted first, and although Brian Brennan compiled 75 our total was only 145. This did not prove too difficult for the Corrimbal batsman who finished on 5·273 thus ending our hopes of a first-grade premiership.

Our lower grade teams had not performed well - especially in batting. Our bowlers were consistent however, and in second grade Tony Smith (46 @ 12·41), and Ray Galtress (43 @ 13·16) figured in the Illawarra averages. In the third grade good figures were returned by Ray Morris (69 @ 8·55), and Hoppy Meeuwissen (36 @ 10·5).

Col Pitt shared the Illawarra wicket-keeping trophy with Peter Andronovski from the Wollongong club.

Three teams were again entered in the Illawarra competition, and with the addition of new players Max Justice, Frank Sheeran, and John Le Roux a successful season was confidently predicted.

The team started in good form dismissing University for only 114 (Bob Fox 6·25, John Le Roux 3·27) but bad weather intervened to prevent a result.

Batting first in the second round we finished the day at 9·246 - John Le Roux 53, and Trevor Jones 42. Steady bowling (Bob Fox 5·57, and Graham Wells 2·13) restricted Balgownie to 159.

Weather reduced the next game to a one-day affair with Berkeley posting 8·127 (Max Justice 4·44, Bob Fox 3·35). In reply however we could only muster 88.

The 1973-1974 Season

We fared no better in the next round-our total of 159 (Col Pitt 43, Dick Dowse 33) being easily achieved by Woonona.

In second grade we lost outright to Wollongong after scoring only 97, and 78. By December the Mercury commented "Big disappointment of the Illawarra cricket this season, Dapto looks to have a strong team but isn't getting the results"

When Jon Le Roux (4·28), and Bob Fox (3·44) restricted Thirroul to only 143 a win seemed almost certain but we were only able to total 136 (Bob Fox 32, Frank Sheeran 31). This loss removed any slim chance of a semi-final spot.

The first game of the new year produced another low score of 103 (Brian Brennan 41, Col Pitt 34) but this proved sufficient to beat University who scored 74 (Max Justice 5·21, Bob Fox 4·30)

In yet another low-scoring match, Port Kembla's 120 (John Le Roux 4·24, Ron Kerridge 2·11) was too many for our 98 (Dick Dowse 30).

Rain converted the next round to a one-day game in which our 7·107 (Col Pitt 46) was enough to defeat West's 91 (Bob Fox 5·35, Max Justice 3·24).

Wollongong then scored 8·220 (Keith Wells 2·23), and in reply we managed 193 (Col Pitt 49, Bob Fox 30 not out.)

John Le Roux took 4·48 in Balgownie's total of 7·164 but our batting fell away again, and even with Bob Fox's 44 we could only total 102.

Batting first against Corrimbal Dick Dowse contributed 62 to a total of 130, and Bob Fox then produced a fine bowling effort to take 8·41, and restrict Corrimbal to 97.

In the final game our batting was again mediocre. In reply to our 99 we did have Keira 6·62 but our score was passed without us gaining another wicket.

A new season, and a new approach. For the first time Dapto engaged the services of a professional player/coach, John Heiler. In addition we gained the services of former representative batsman Tony Evans.

Bad weather during the weeks prior to the opening round meant that turf wickets were even more unpredictable than usual!. At Gibson Park, the Mercury reported that "...Dapto batsman were soon ducking for cover on a treacherous wicket.....". Thirroul dismissed us for only 60, and finished the day at 2·35. In different conditions the following week Thirroul totalled 8·226, and we then responded with 2·111 (Tony Evans 55 not out Col Pitt 34 not out)

It was a similar story at Lakelands Oval in second grade when, on the first day our very ordinary total of 49 turned out to be enough for first innings points before tea !!!

The 1974-1975 Season

Low scores were again featured in the following game when we dismissed Keira for 87 (Bob Fox 6·28, Ray House 2·7) After Tony Evans had scored 53 we declared at 6·90 but were unable to dismiss Keira in its second innings.

Weather reduced the next game to one day, and Balgownie scored 142 (John Heiler 6·62, Col Pitt 3 stumpings). We took first innings points with 8·147.

First grade had a bye but our second grade lost to Wollongong, scoring only 63 in reply to 135.

When Woonona was dismissed for only 113 (Bob Fox 5·23) a win seemed certain but at 4·55 there was some doubt ! The next week however Tony Evans batted well for neat 100, and took our total to 208.

In the following round our batsmen continued to do well to compile a respectable 229 (Col Pitt 85, John Heiler 71) but Wollongong easily passed this at 3·241.

The Mercury noted that this season "... the ranks of umpires are severely diminished..."

Corrimal scored 143 (Graham Wells 4·41) but we barely made that total at 9·145 !

In a one-day game Keith McWaters returned great figures of 7·27 resulting in Wests being dismissed for 58 after we had scored only 121. At the stage of the competition Dapto was lying fourth on the table.

Our winning form did not continue however. Chasing University's 229 (Bob Fox 4·46) we managed 186 (Tony Evans 40, Trevor Jones 39, Nigel Hayes 38). In the following game we were in deep trouble at 8·63 before rain washed the match out.

Our batsmen performed quite well (John Heiler 76) to score 224 but Berkeley/Warrawong passed this with eight wickets down, and then we were coming seventh.

After another washed out game we scored only 73, and 48 to be soundly beaten by West's

The 1975-1976 Season

The club decide to continue with the principle of a player/coach, and acquired the services of ex-Petersham player Bill Moffatt, Frank Fox also decided to join his brother Bob, and Michael Maude strengthened the bowling department. A high level of enthusiasm in the Club meant that we were able to field four teams.

First grade got away to a great start with Col Pitt scoring 105 not out in our total of 222. When University batted Bill Moffatt (4·23), and Michael Maude (3·27) combined to restrict University to 109.

After the bye a one-day game saw us total 7·169 (Col Pitt 64), and then have Port Kembla in trouble at 6·77 (Bob Fox 2·5, Michael Maude 3·26) when bad light stopped play resulting in a draw.

Youngsters commencing in first-grade included Peter French, and Merrick Mildenhall.

Wests managed 93 against the accurate bowling of Bill Moffatt(3·16), and Bob Fox , 3·17. We finished the day at 3·70. Bill closed our innings early the next week at 4·96 in an attempt to force an outright result. Wests then declared at 5·129 but the target was way beyond us, and we were dismissed for 43 !!

Col Pitt continued his good form with the bat scoring 94 in our total of 4 dec 204, against Balgownie who were then dismissed for 113 (Michael Maude 5·36) Batting a second time Balgownie managed 108 (Michael Maude 3·35, Bill Moffatt 2·23), and we then got the runs required without loss for an outright win, and top position on the ladder.

We lost the next game to Keira in spite of Bill Moffatt's 8·39, and this dropped us back to third position. By way of contrast both third, and fourth grades were bottom of the ladder, while second grade was only in front of only one other team !

In the final game of the year our 3 dec 195 (Col Pitt 76, Bill Moffatt 67) was far too good for Corrimal 82 (Michael Maude 6·26, Bob Fox 4·23)

Bill Moffatt started the new year in fine form taking 5·9 in Thirroul's total of 71. With Col Pitt scoring 67 we had taken first innings points by the end of the first day - a lucky break as all games were washed out on the second day.

Berkeley scored 178 against us but again rain prevented the game's completion.

The Mercury reported that Dapto had ".....signed captain/coach Bill Moffatt for a further three years....."

Wollongong defeated us convincingly- 209 to our 122 (Bill Moffatt 48). At this stage Col Pitt was leading the Illawarra batting averages while Bill Moffatt, and Bob Fox occupied the first two places in the bowling.

Against last-placed Woonona we could only total 98 (Ray King 24 not out, Tony Evans 22) but that proved enough for first innings points as Bill Moffatt took 5·24 in Woonona's 92.

Chasing outright points, Bill declared our second innings at 4·59 but Woonona were able to score the required runs.

Port Kembla them hammered us for 348 but rain the following week prevented any attempt at reaching this target.

The first day of the final round was washed out, and we then recorded a narrow win over Corrimal. (Bill Moffatt 3·15). This win enabled us to finish second. Second grade, and Third grade had improved to 8th, and 6th respectively while fourth grade remained at the bottom.

And so to the second ever semi-final - on this occasion against Keira. We batted first, and Col Pitt played an innings of extreme concentration to score 66 in a fairly average total of 162.

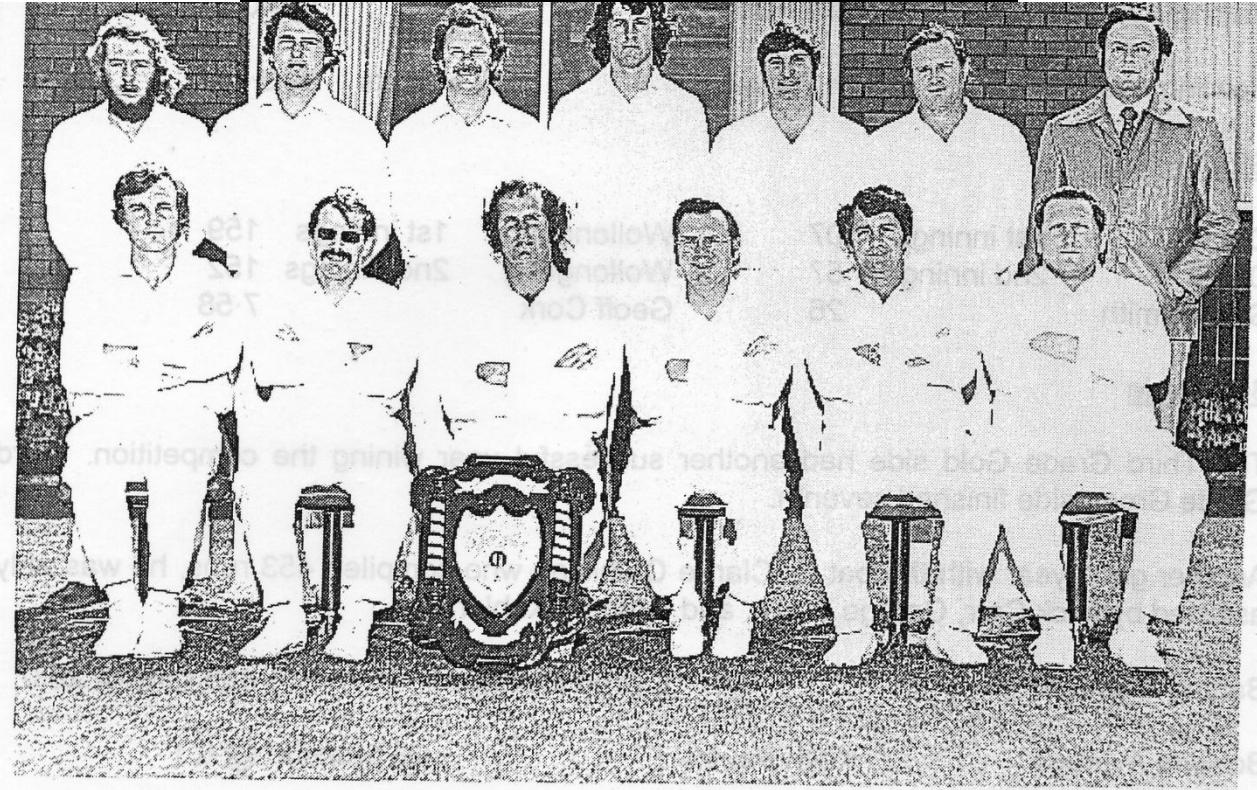
On the second day our bowling was accurate - Bill Moffatt bowled fourteen maidens in his first fifteen overs ! Eventually Keira got to within seven runs of our total before the final wicket fell (Michael Maude 3·33, Bill Moffatt 4·44)

The stage was set for the final against Wollongong but rain interrupted, and the match was postponed to the following weekend.

Wollongong batted soundly, and finished with a respectable 214. On the Sunday our batting started slowly, and at 2.39 the game was evenly poised. Bill Moffatt then joined Col Pitt at the crease, and the two left-handers produced a match winning partnership of 107 Col was dismissed for 65 while Bill continued and was 102 not out when Wollongong's Total was passed.

A large crowd was present to witness Dapto's first grade Championship - this season was undoubtedly a highlight in the Club's History

The Initial First Grade Premiership Team 1975-1976



Back Row John Rodgers, Merrick Mildenhall, Colin Pitt, Peter French, Keith McWaters, Ray King, Brian Poidevin (Secretary). **Front Row** Michael Maude, Trevor Jones, Bill Moffatt (c), Frank Fox, Tony Evans, Bob Fox.

The 1976-1977 Season:

A new season and the Illawarra Mercury (which cost 12 cents !) speculated on our chances of repeating last years performance.

The October weather was about normal with rain washing out the first day's play. Play did start the next weekend and Balgownie were in trouble at 5.67 (Bill Moffatt 3.17) but further rain stopped play.

The first day's play of the second round was also washed out and we were obviously in need of batting practice as Berkeley rolled us for only 60 !! They then had no problems scoring the required runs for the loss of only one wicket.

Weather again reduced the next game to one-day and Michael Maude's 3·15 restricted Thirroul to 5·64. We replied with 7·111 and were later surprised and delighted to discover that all other games had been abandoned.



BILL MOFFATT – 1ST GRADE CAPTAIN 1975/76 PREMIERSHIP

We found it difficult to maintain consistent form and although Thirroul only reached 127 (Trevor Jones 4·39) our reply was all out for 94.

In the next (one-day) game Keira totalled 9·150 but we scored the required runs with the loss of only one wicket thanks largely to Col Pitt's 75 not out.

With Bill Moffatt and Col Pitt away on representative duties we totalled only 82 (John Rodgers 30) in a one-day game against University. Michael Maude's figures of 4·32 were not enough to stop University passing us with five wickets down.

In the following match we dismissed Corrimal for 135 (Michael Maude 5·35, Bill Moffatt 2·2) and were 1·31 at stumps on the first day. Yet again the weather washed out the second day and we had to settle for a draw.

Our batting improved in the next game (John Rodgers 43, Merrick Mildenhall 42) and this gave Port Kembla 216 to chase. Our bowlers (Michael Maude 4·34, Bill Moffatt 3·16) ensured that Port Kembla were restricted to 126.

We could not repeat this performance against Wests however. Chasing 155, Col Pitt scored 73 not out in our total of 130.

At the Christmas break our second grade was equal fourth while third and fourth grades were both at the bottom of the ladder.

Michael Maude and Bill Moffatt were first and second in the Illawarra bowling averages while Col Pitt led the batting averages.

In what the Mercury described as a ".... vital one-day match....." we batted reasonably well for a score of 9·169 (John Rodgers 44, Col Pitt 43) and then dismissed Wollongong for 132 (Warren Mann 4·33).

The competition this season was extremely close and all of the ten teams had a chance to make the semi-finals.

It was necessary to continue winning and our 9.250 (Bill Moffatt 68, John Rodgers 47) seemed to be sufficient on the tricky Lakelands wicket. University had other ideas however and achieved the total.

Wollongong scored 251 (Bill Moffatt 5.70) but rain on the second day prevented us chasing that total.

The appalling weather continued and no play was possible on the first day of the final round. On the second day Keira scored 7.105 and we passed that with the loss of two wickets (Merrick Mildenhall 41, Col Pitt 32 not out)

The season closed with both first and second grades in sixth position while both third and fourth grade finished in front of only one other team.

“Col Pitt was named Illawarra Cricketer of the Year”

The 1976-1977 Averages

	<u>Batting</u>	<u>Bowling</u>
<u>First</u>	* Col Pitt 354 @ 70.8	Michael Maude 36 @ 12.69
<u>Second</u>	Neville Hurry	* Neil Cavill 41 @ 8.61
<u>Third</u>	Jeff Gray	Russell Banks 25 @13.88
<u>Fourth</u>	Paul Kay	Ian Burns

* Illawarra District Cricket Association Winners

The 1977-1978 Season

Again we fielded four teams. This was the first season in which the team batting first was allowed to continue batting on the second day.

Youngsters moving up to grade include Jeremy Lasek, Andrew Ramsay, Lance Turner, Stuart Brown, Kevin Harrison and Dale Sinclair.

Our 126 against Wollongong was rather ordinary but when we had them 2.1 at the end of the first day we thought we had a chance. On the following Saturday however Wollongong worked their way to 8.146 (Peter French 3.45).

Port Kembla compiled 9.194 (Peter French 4.48) - a quite respectable total but after the second day the Mercury was able to report “....brilliant innings by Col Pitt (101 not out) and Bill Moffatt (71 not out) gave Dapto a comfortable win at 3.197....”

In the following match we had Corrimal 6.123 but the tail wagged and they declared at 8.222 Col Pitt scored 86 in our 5.194 which meant that the game finished in a draw.

The number of umpires in Illawarra was sufficient that most second grade games had official umpires.

Good bowling by Gary Masters (4.38) and Michael Maude (3.27) restricted Thirroul to 138 but at the end of the day we were not too comfortable at 3.64. Bill Moffatt batted soundly for his 78 the following week enabling us to reach 7.197.

Against Keira we were in all sorts of bother until a ninth wicket stand between Gary Masters (55) and Michael Maude (30) enabled us to reach 161. As it turned out this was not sufficient and we lost on the first innings.

In the last game before the Christmas break we were feeling reasonably comfortable with our 9·280 (Alex Fleming 78, Jeremy Lasek 56 not out). The Balgownie batsman knuckled down to their task the following week and in spite of Michael Maude's great 7·62 finished the day at 9·263 and forced a draw.

In the New Year the Mercury described "an incredible seven wicket bowling haul by Dapto captain Bill Moffatt"

Incredible it was - Bill finished with 7·8 in Berkeley/Warrawong's total of 46. He was assisted by Michael Maude's 3·21. Col Pitt hit up 72 not out and then Bill declared. Unfortunately the first innings could not be duplicated and Berkeley/Warrawong declared at 7·246. Chasing 164 for an outright victory we finished the day at 3·92.

Col Pitt was selected to play against the touring Indian side at Canberra during the week and following the first Saturday of the next game the Mercury reported that. '..... The students had to bear the full weight of Pitt's brilliance....." as he scored 111 in our total of 8·262. Unfortunately rain the following weekend prevented us taking advantage of this good score.

Wests then hit 226 (Bill Moffatt 6·51) but we could only manage 164 (Col Pitt 50, Jeremy Lasek 44)

Our batting didn't measure up in the following game when, chasing Port's 158 (Michael Maude 6·49) we were all out for 97.

The final game was interrupted by rain on several occasions - Michael Maude taking 5·58 in Wests 194. In reply, we were 8·129 (Merrick Mildenhall 31) and the season ended with a draw. In-spite of some good individual performance we finished only eighth on the table.

Second grade finished ninth, third grade eighth, and fourth grade tenth of fourteen.

Col Pitt was the winner of the Illawarra wicket-keeping trophy with 22 dismissals (15 catches 7 stumpings)

Long serving and popular player Neville Hurry was honoured with life membership.

The 1977-1978 Averages:

	<u>Batting</u>		<u>Bowling</u>
<u>First</u>	* Col Pitt 548 @ 54.8 Bill Moffatt 358 @ 35.8		Michael Maude 36 @ 14.67 Bill Moffatt 25 @ 15.20
<u>Second</u>	Neville Hurry 302 @ 27.45		Warren Mann 31 @ 11.81
<u>Third</u>	Paul Kay 141 @ 15.6		T Bradford 21 @ 9.2
<u>Fourth</u>			Jeff Hollingsworth 28 @ 10.25

* Illawarra District Cricket Association Winner

The 1978-1979 Season:

For the first time five teams (two in fourth grade) were fielded and the Mercury reported "...Dapto will rely on youth this season....."

The October weather behaved as usual and rain washed out the first day's play. Under one-day rules we scored 7.128 (Col Pitt 35, Bob Corfield 34) but Berkeley totalled 6.130 (Neil Cavill 3.47)

Our second game was at an interesting stage at the end of the first day - Port all out for 132 and Dapto 7.72 (Col Pitt 5.20). During the week however the Council outdoor staff called a strike - wickets were not prepared and the second day's play was called off.

Col decided to continue his new career as a bowler rather than keep wickets and certainly justified this decision by taking 4.9 in Keira's 110. He then scored 53 not out enabling us to finish the first day at 3.119. We were quite content to be the only team with first innings points when rain washed out the second day.

Our batting did not fire in the next game against Wollongong and 152 was not nearly enough. Wollongong also soundly defeated us in second grade by scoring 4.213 to our 138 (John Vidler 40) and 6.97 (Lance Turner 38)

Brendan Fanning scored 42 in the third grade but again Wollongong were too strong.

Thirroul scored 208 (Michael Maude 4.38, Bill Moffatt 3.36) but this total was beyond us- Col Pitt's 48 the only notable contribution to our 121.

Merrick Mildenhall cracked 109 in third grade's total of 9.224 enabling a win over Thirroul.

Michael Maude took 5.51 to restrict University to a mediocre 159 but yet again our batting could not match this total. In spite of Bill Moffatt's 54 we fell 11 runs short.

The new year started with a most exciting game. Bill Moffatt's 5.18 destroyed Wests first innings for 56 and Bob Corfield then contributed 87 to our total of 9.152 declared. The Wests captain then made an excellent declaration at 6.227. This left us with a target of 132 for an outright, and John Rodgers (34) led the way enabling the winning runs to be scored from the **final delivery of the day !**

The next game was just as close. We were in real trouble at 6.48 but then a seventh wicket partnership of 88 between Michael Maude (56) and Bill Moffatt (36) allowed us to reach a

defendable 155. Corrimbal were looking safe at 2·53 but Michael Maude's bowling effort of 6·55 was a large factor in them falling short by just one run.

The Mercury noted that "...Dapto in 5th place needs a win to confirm its semi-final chances....'

We then had another tense struggle against Balgownie who scored an impressive 277. Our batsmen took up the challenge with Col Pitt scoring 91 and Bill Moffatt 53. At close of play we had reached 8·274 - falling four runs short of victory.

The touring England team wrapped up the Test series 5-1 and we were defeated by Corrimbal -160 to 147 (Bill Moffatt 6·42 and 72)

Rain washed out the first day of the last round but the final day, in a great game which had no bearing on the semi-final chances, produced "... a strange turn of events" Sent in on a "sticky" at Figtree Oval we were soon in the disastrous situation of being five wickets down for only 17 runs !! Col then declared our innings closed - no doubt hoping that Wests would score 20 or so runs and then declare. Wests did declare at 2·97 but by this time there was no chance of an outright result so Moffo took the opportunity to score 106 not out in our total of 1·131

This was another somewhat disappointing season. First grade finished eighth, second grade last, and third grade seventh. In fourth grade 'A' we finished last but our fourth grade 'B' performed better.

The 1978-1979 Averages

	<u>Batting</u>	<u>Bowling</u>
<u>First</u>	Bill Moffatt 397 @ 39·7 Col Pitt 360 @ 30·0	Bill Moffatt 31 @ 12·94 Col Pitt 25 @ 16·8
<u>Second</u>	Neville Hurry 228 @ 17·54	Phillip Dolan 16 @ 15·25
<u>Third</u>	Barry Ridley 288 @ 28·8	Col Reedyk 22 @ 9·72
<u>Fourth</u>	Peter French 460 @ 35·38	Jim Morris 13 @ 10·23

The 1979-1980 Season:

We lost fine players Col Pitt, John Rodgers and Michael Maude to the South Coast competition and entered only three teams - had World Series Cricket really done much for the game?

Once again early October produced "...torrential rain..." causing the abandonment of the first day's play. In the one-day game which proceeded the following week we were feeling very comfortable when Bill Moffatt (4·10) and newcomer Peter Bishell (2·14) left

Corrimal in tatters at 9·93. Our feelings of comfort turned to dismay however when no less than six of our batsmen recorded ducks to see us finish with a total of 42 (of which Bill Moffatt contributed 29) !!

Happily our batting underwent a significant change in the next game and we reached 9·259 (Bill Moffatt 90, Trevor Jones 40). Peter Bishell then took 6·64 in Keira's total of 117.

Against Thirroul Bill was again top scorer with 66 in our total of 175 and tight bowling by Tim Emery (3·9) and Neil Cavill (3·21) enabled us to restrict Thirroul to 72 and enforce the follow-on. Peter Bishell and Bill Moffatt then had identical figures of 5·54 while Thirroul scored 138 Requiring 35 for an outright win we did it comfortably - losing only one wicket in the process.

The next game proved equally interesting. Port Kembla had no trouble declaring at 4·115 in reply to our first innings of 78. We fared a little better in our second knock with 135 but this meant Port only required 99 for an outright victory. Again we produced some great bowling -(Bill Moffatt 4·8, Tim Emery 3·23, Peter Bishell 3·33) to restrict Port to 66 and give us ten points for another outright.

The Mercury described Dapto as ".....the surprise team in the competition with two outright wins....."

Our good batting form continued with Trevor Jones 45 and, lower down the order, Neil Cavill 52 not out steering us to 247. At the end of the first day Balgownie was 2·24 but rain prevented any play on the second day.

In cricketing news the N.S.W.C.A. was forced to impose a total ban on alcohol being taken into the S.C.G for day/night games.

In the last game before Christmas Neil Cavill again batted well for 49. Alec Fleming's 43 helped us to a score of 200 which was too much for Wests as Bill Moffatt (5·15) and Neil Cavill(3·16) kept their score down to 130.

As the new year started we were lying second on the competition table. Bad weather reduced the first game to a one-day affair and Berkeley only managed 117 after Peter Bishell had taken 6·45. Rodney Clarke and Bill Moffatt both scored 31 in our reply of 4·119.

The following game was a nail-biter. Wollongong scored 147 (Tim Emery 3·40, Neil Cavill (3·45) and we declared at 6·155 (Peter Bishell 32 not out). The Wollongong captain made a good declaration of 4·140 leaving us to score 133 for our third outright win. Moff set about this task in fine style and with some aggressive batting got us in the position of needing six to win off the last ball of the day. He made a great attempt but the ball landed about a metre inside the fence and rolled into the boundary for four (taking his score to 84 not out)

In yet another match interrupted regularly by rain we managed 172 (Bill Moffatt 60, Bob Corfield 35) but didn't have time to dismiss University who finished at 8·64 (Neil Cavill 5·24)

Peter Bishell took 4·38 in Corrimal's 184 but again the second day was washed out.

In the final round we only managed 168 (Alec Fleming 46) but then rolled Berkeley for 112 (Peter Bishell 5·45)

We finished second on the ladder but our second and third grades both finished last.

Corrimal was our semi-final opponent and we were delighted to dismiss them for exactly 100 (Peter Bishell 5·25, Tim Emery 4·22). In fact this target was not so easy and we struggled a little before reaching 138 (Neil Cavill 27)

In the final Port Kembla batted first. Bad light reduced playing time on the first day and Port finished with a reasonable total of 203 (Bill Moffatt 5·32). Unfortunately this was way beyond us and although Moff hit a solid 49 we were all out for 113. Nevertheless this was our best season since 75/76 and captain Bill Moffatt won the "Illawarra Cricketer of the Year" the Mercury "Player of the Year" as well as the district batting average.

Another decade had passed - one which saw many changes for our club. The game of cricket had also seen many changes including.

- * The first Test played in Perth
- * The England captain leading his team from the field after a spectator at the S.C.G had manhandled a fieldsman
- * The South African tour of Australia cancelled (as a result of its apartheid policy) and replaced by a "Rest of the World" team.
- * The first one-day World Cup final at Lords. (West Indies defeated Australia by 17 runs)
- * Vandals destroyed the wicket at Leeds prior to the last day of the Third Test.
- * The Centenary Test was played in Melbourne and won by Australia by 45 runs exactly the same result as 100 years earlier.
- * World Series Cricket came and went following an agreement with the Australian Cricket Board and the one-day game became firmly established.
- * Helmets became popular with both batsmen and close in fieldsman.

The 1979-1980 Averages

		<u>Batting</u>		<u>Bowling</u>	
First	*	Bill Moffatt	686 @ 49·0	Bill Moffatt	34 @ 8·65
		Alec Fleming	192 @ 21·3	Peter Bishell	51 @ 12·55
<u>Second</u>		Neville Hurry	308 @ 38·0	Ron Pearson	15 @ 12·33
		Mitchell Clarke	136 @ 19·43		
Fourth		Jeff Hollingsworth	141 @ 15·67	Jeff Hollingsworth	23 @ 13·0
	*	Illawarra District Cricket Association Winner			



Lisle House, Alan Hayes and Shannon O'Donnell – 3 great bowlers for Dapto CC.



Neville Hurry – Life Member who played over 300 games in his career

“FROM WILLO’S PADDOCK TO WEMBLEY”

In Osborne Street Dapto in the 1940’s there was a vacant block of land between Pop Williams’s, and Charlie Shirlaw’s houses known as “Willo’s” Paddock.

Weekends, and school holidays would see all the local kids down there playing cricket in the summer, and footy in the winter. There would be Warren Tuckey, John Williamson, twins Ray and Ron Kelly, Kevin Shirlaw, Ray and Lisle House John and George Jaffray, Keith Wells and Peter Dimond.

At one time or another all the local kids would be there, as they got older the games were played at Reed Park, This led to a series of matches against Marshall Mount who could round up enough players for a cricket team in those days.

They played two games each season one at each home ground. The Marshall Mount side consisted of the sons of local farmers. Ron Pearson and his cousins Owen, John and Terry Pearson, the Dare brothers Lionel and Noel, Bob and Colin Beattie, Brian Stuart, these players were the ones that played in most of the games.

The Dapto team mainly consisted of the Kids from “Willo’s” Paddock Ray Morris and Geoff Beattie also played. It was a big day for the boys up bright and early, Mum to pack lunch, pump up the tyres on their bikes, and ride them out to Marshall Mount ‘s ground near the school.

The games were keenly contested as the sides were evenly matched, and some interesting games were had. It reached a stage when Marshall Mount couldn’t field a team, they, then played against a composite side which included some players from Albion Park, the matches were then played at the Albion Park Showground.

Two of the players from this composite side, in later years were to figure prominently in the Dapto 1st grade team in the 60’s, they were Ron Pearson, and Roy Williams.

Of the Osborne Street Boys most of them went on to play grade with Dapto, Warren Tuckey represented the Illawarra against the Jack Chegwyns eleven.

John Jaffrey was the first local to score a century in 1st grade, Keith Wells, Ray & Lisle House played 1st grade at some time.

Peter Dimond went on to play 1st grade cricket with Dapto, he left the area to further his career as a Rugby League Player, Eventually Peter achieved the ultimate representing Australia in a Rugby League Test against Great Britain at WEMBLEY stadium London.

Peter achieved the ultimate for a Dapto kid - he went

“From WILLO’S PADDOCK TO WEMBLEY”

CRICKET IN DAPTO

1980 TO 1984

by Shannon (Sandshoe) O'Donnell

The early 80's was an important time in the Clubs history with the appearance of many young juniors making their presence felt at a young age. With bright futures lying ahead, experienced players such as Bill Moffat, Colin Pitt, John Rodgers, Jeremy Lasek, Neil Cavill took them in hand, guiding them through, making them hard cricket players believing in themselves.

A fine season was had in 1982-83 with Dapto led by the all-rounder Bill Moffat, making the semi-finals, Dapto lost by 80 runs, after Neil Cavill, and Shannon O'Donnell took 8 wickets to restrict Thirroul in-spite a fine 54 not out from Russell Hickson, one of the best batsmen ever seen in Dapto we fell short of the required total.

In January 1983 the Club decided to honour long serving player and life member, Neville Hurry. Wester Suburbs had a player, Alan Baker, with similar history of long playing service and a Testimonial match was arranged between teams captained by these two players.

The game was held at Figtree Oval and received good publicity and was followed that evening by a dinner held Neville's honour at Dapto Leagues Club.

Sydney players Rod Clark, and Wayne Walters performed well, and were great players for the club, especially Wayne who served Dapto for over a decade.

Neville Hurry, and Neil Cavill who were nearing the end of their fine careers, were also great assets to the club, Colin Pitt an aggressive player, and captain led sides in the mid 80's after a four year absence, leading the side to a 1st Grade Premiership in 1985-86, Col formed a great partnership with the big hitting Neil Schofield, they smacked attacks all over the park, and in 1985-86 hammered Corrimal with Col smashing 119, and Neil 95.

Mick Clark was a fine captain for the club guiding many young players through the early parts of their careers including SOD, Hurdy, Vyse, Mozzie, and Paul Carr who all went on to play 1st grade, and representative honours.

Such players as Lance Turner, Gordon Turner, Rodney Burnett, Simon Harding, Shane Barry, Troy Morgan, Trevor Jones, Jim Bailey, Geoff Needham, Jeff Hollingsworth, Glenn Coughlan, Mick Foster, Ray Gargett, John Gaspo, Brendan Fanning, and Alex Fleming served the club with distinction.

Another Sydney player Peter Bishell led the club for two seasons, he was a fine spin bowler, and lower order batsman. The young players after 3-4 years in grade were coming on well, and the future was looking good going into the late 80's, which was to be a testing time with many experienced players retiring after long, and successful careers.

The club moved to Hollymount from Lakelands 1980-83, 1984 to Reed Park, Bill Moffat was the Clubs paid Captain Coach for the 1982 Season



DAPTO CRICKET CLUB

ILLAWARRA FIRST GRADE PREMIERS 1985/86

BACK : R.HAWKSWORTH, C.PITT (C), S.PERRY, W.WALTERS, S.O'DONNELL, R.BURNETT.

FRONT : M.OBERG, P.BISHELL, I.WILLIAMS, P.CARR, J.GASPARRINI.

CRICKET IN DAPTO

1985 TO 1990-91

THE 1985-86 SEASON

The 85/86 season saw the continuation of Colin Pitt's reign as Captain -Coach of DCC. Colin had done well the previous season to guide the First Grade team to the final of the Bill Reynolds knockout and most pieces of the Premiership puzzle were in place. The missing pieces arrived at training pre-season.

Wayne Walters had missed the previous season with Dapto because of a leg injury and had played with Gymea in the Sutherland Shire competition. Also in the Gymea team were Scott Perry, Ross Hawksworth, John Walker, John McLean and Col Reid. All these players ended up playing with Dapto within two years.

Scott was a very talented batsman from North Queensland and a prolific scorer. Ross liked to hit the ball hard early in the innings. The decision was made to all play at Dapto due to Wayne's previous dealings with the friendly people at DCC.

Also arriving at pre-season training was Ivan Williams, a wicketkeeper from Wests who wasn't enjoying his cricket there. Ivan's father Roy (an ex DCC player highly respected around the district) recommended he play here.

Round 1 saw Scott Perry assert his authority with 90 in 98 minutes against Port. Paul Carr also scored 70 and hopes were high he would live up to his potential. Wayne starred with the ball against Wests with 7-37 in a rain affected loss. A one-armed umpire standing in this game refused to call wide when Wayne bowled straight to gully! Col scored 98 against Keira whilst Rodney Burnett held up one end. Rod was a debutante at the start of the season straight up from third grade and showed heaps of determination early in his career.

After five rounds Dapto's season was in the balance. Col decided the team wasn't getting a good enough start and promoted Marty Oberg and Ross Hawksworth to open the innings. Their first partnership yielded 46 and the team beat Balgownie. This saw the team go into the New Year in fifth spot and the semis were looking possible.

The New Year saw the return of Peter Bishell to Dapto. Peter was a fine off spinner and a handy batsman who had experience with University in the Sydney grade comp, also a recruit from Gymea. Also coming into the team was John Gasparrini, a correct batsman, agile fielder and the most entertaining Juggler ever seen at the bar of Dapto Leagues.

A narrow win over Berkeley was followed by flogging Corrimal (Peter Bishell 7-23) and a win over Wollongong at Stuart Park. Rod (5-63) and Shannon O'Donnell (4-63) gave us a taste of things to come and Scott scored 103 no after the side was in trouble at 5-49 chasing 195.

The last two rounds were against Wests and Keira, both ahead of us on the ladder. The pitch at Reed Park in those days was atrocious, slow, low and turning. We batted first against Wests and took 100 overs to make 109 runs. They were 4-70 and then 7-81 as the pressure was kept on them. They reached 7-107 and one good hit would have got them home. But they choked and lost 3-1, and we won by a run.

Arch-rivals Keira were then Minor Premiers going into the last round. They made 162, and that appeared to be a big target. Luckily Ivan Williams had to leave early and batted at three. He was asleep under a tree when the first wicket fell but he woke up and quickly knocked up a match winning 71 to get us home.

Finishing second was great, and with the other grades winning we had wrapped up the Club Championship. Now to finish the job. Going into the finals unbeaten and confident we realised it was our best chance of premiership glory and we were determined not to let ourselves down.

The semi final was against University. Col won the toss and we batted first. A series of partnerships saw us tally 255; with the top six all getting starts. Col made 56, with Scott, Ivan, and Paul 45 each. Uni only managed 193. Shannon took 3 wickets, and a classic catch on the mid wicket fence. Wayne and Peter also took 3 wickets.

This set up a showdown with Keira, led by Bill Moffat. In the week leading up to the game we trained hard, and Col reinforced our confidence.

The track at Stuart Park looked good and Col had no hesitation in batting when he won the toss. At the end of the day we were 7-251 and looking good. Marty Oberg fell early, and Ivan and Ross slowly built a partnership of 84. The turning point was when Dave Dobinson came on to bowl. He went for 38 off 5 overs as first Ivan and then Ross hit him over the fence, the latter taking 20 off four balls (6,4,6,4). This was Ross' first 50 for Dapto but unfortunately both he and Ivan fell in the same over. Col and Scott then had a small partnership and then there was a series of larger ones as the middle order took over. Wayne and John added 60 late in the day and that just about broke Keira.

Keira had a very good batting line up but two hours into their innings they were in tatters as Rod, Shannon and Wayne ripped into them. Rod bowled one of the most awesome spells of bowling seen by a few good judges. He had genuine pace that day and the ball was flying off a good length. Col and Marty both took catches flying off the gloves. We fielded as well as we could and missed nothing.

The fall of every wicket saw us more and more pumped up. The prized wicket of Bill Moffat fell just before tea. Wayne and Col set a trap with a fielder at point and Moffat fell for the wide half volley. Then Chris Parkes went soon after. At tea it was just about all over. The tail hung around for a while but the celebrations commenced as soon as the last wicket fell. Everybody mobbed Col and emotions were out of control.

The full impact of the result was not fully realised until everybody arrived back at Dapto Leagues Club.

Second and Third grade had also won their finals and unluckily Fourth Grade had fallen to Wests.

Seconds were led by Mick Clark and had experienced campaigners like Gary Masters, Graham McDonald, Geoff Needham and Don Tate in the side. Youngsters in the side included Jeff Hurd, Mark Reed, Mark Ashcroft, Steve Davies. They convincingly beat Keira in the final.

Thirds were capably led by Jim Stephen and had a great season. Mitchell Clarke and Phil Chamberlain scored centuries and youngsters like Steve Vyse and Steve Chamberlain did

well with the bat. Gordon Turner took 27 catches and was kept busy by bowlers like Simon Harding, Ian Burns, Mark Reed, Rod Croft and Ray Gargett.

Peter Kates led the Fourths and relied on Doug Mills, Chris Brodhurst and Darren Stephen to knock up the runs for his bowlers to defend. Rod Croft, Dave Halsey and Shaun Harvey bowled well at times.

Gordon Turner retired from Cricket at the end of this season and was inducted as a Life Member. Gordon continued to represent DCC on the Dapto Leagues Club Board until the late 1990s.

ILLAWARRA CRICKET FINALS

First grade

Dapto v Keira

at Stuart Park.

Dapto 1st innings:

M OBERG b Parkes	3
R HAWKSWORTH run out	59
I WILLIAMS c Bonham b Waugh	24
S PERRY c Ucles b Parkes	11
C PITC c Lancaster b Waugh	32
P CARR c Evans b Dobinson	23
P BISHELL c Evans b Parkes	37
J GASPARRINI b Parkes	36
W WALTERS lbw Parkes	28
R BURNETT not out	0
S O'DONNELL c Evans b Parkes	0
Sundries	14
TOTAL:	267

Bowling: J Waugh 2-7, C Parkes 6-93, W Moffatt 1-30, D Dobinson 1-51, I Lancaster 0-16.

Fall: 16, 87, 87, 105, 158, 173, 206, 286, 267, 267.

Keira 1st innings:

P EVANS c Oberg b Burnett	0
S BARNSLEY c Pitt b Burnett	5
D FULLER c Williams b Burnett	5
R BONHAM c Williams b Burnett	24
P BRAILEY c Oberg b Burnett	3
W MOFFATT c Gasparrini b Walters	13
I LANCASTER c Williams b O'Donnell	30
C PARKES c Perry b Walters	1
D DOBINSON c Carr b Bishell	16
J UCLES c Perry b Walters	10
J WAUGH not out	27
Sundries	8
TOTAL:	142

Bowling: R Burnett 5-31, S O'Donnell 1-45, P Bishell 1-30, W Walters 3-27, C Pitt 0-5.

Fall: 0, 10, 38, 41, 42, 73, 75, 93, 104, 145.

Dapto won on 1st innings by 125 runs.

Second grade

Dapto v Keira

at University Oval.

Keira 1st innings:

K McCONNOCHIE c Hurd b

Reed	3
K BAKER c Hurd b Reed	2
M WATERMAN b Reed	14
P THEODOSSIADIS c Hurd b	
Reed	2
A JOHNSON c Chamberlain b Masters	27
D SHARPE c McDonald b Masters	1
R EDGAR c Hurd b McDonald	1
P LIVINGSTON c Needham b	
Tate	7
P TURNER not out	9
M TAYLOR b Masters	1
B LAWLER c McDonald b Tate	0
Sundries	13
TOTAL:	80

Bowling: M Ashcroft 0-19, M Reed

4-13, G McDonald 1-6, G Masters 3-16, D Tate 2-15.

Dapto 1st innings:

P CHAMBERLAIN b Turner	18
D TATE b Sharpe	11
S DAVIES c and b Livingston	10
J RODGERS c Johnson b Lawler	17
G NEEDHAM c Livingston b	
Turner	5
M CLARKE b Turner	6
J HURD c Johnson b Sharpe	8
G McDONALD caught b Lawler	20
M ASHCROFT caught b Baker	37
G MASTERS not out	0
M REED caught b Taylor	0
Sundries	9
TOTAL:	141

Bowling: D Sharpe 2-51, P Livingston 1-37, B Lawler 2-22, P Turner 3-13, M Taylor 1-5, K Baker 1-4.

Keira 2nd innings:

K McCONNOCHIE c Hurd b Ashcroft	4
K BAKER c Chamberlain b Reed	1
P LIVINGSTON not out	6
Sundries	6
TOTAL: Two wkts for	17

Bowling: M Ashcroft 1-5, M Reed 1-7.

Dapto won on 1st innings by 61 runs.

Third grade

Dapto v Helensburgh

at Figtree Oval.

Dapto 1st innings:

M CLARKE caught b Peters	58
P LUSKAN lbw Campbell	7
C REID caught b Smith	4
S VYSE caught b Smith	60
J STEPHEN caught b Peters	22
S CHAMBERLAIN run out	1
R GARGETT caught b Warne	23
S HAROING b Campbell	6
R CROFT b Peters	3
G TURNER not out	5
I BURNS b Peters	1
Sundries	19
TOTAL:	209

Bowling: A Peters 4-52, G Warne 1-

28, J Smith 2-59, D Tipping 0-27, A

Van Zyl 0-3, R Campbell 2-30.

Helensburgh 1st innings:

D BROWN b Harding	30
T VAN ZYL b Burns	0
G BRAGG c Clarke b Burns	28
R PROUDFOOT b Croft	19
A PETERS c Clarke b Harding	4
G WARNE b Harding	7
M O'SHEA c Turner b Croft	15
J SMITH c Stephen b Harding	34
R CAMPBELL run out	4
D TIPPING b Croft	2
G McRAE not out	4
Sundries	12
TOTAL:	159

Bowling: I Burns 2-37, S Harding 4-

55, R Gargett 0-10, R Croft 3-51.

Dapto won on 1st innings by 50 runs.

Fourth grade:

Dapto v Western Suburbs

Dapto 1st innings:

R MORAN Hall	8
C BRODHURST c Stubbs b Hall	10
J HALSEY c Stubbs b Hall	25
D MILLS b Hall	36
D STEPHEN b Hall	18
M THOMAS b Hall	15
J BAILEY c Burrows b Hall	7
P KATES b Hall	2
D HALSEY b Markham	0
L ROUT b Hall	0
S HARVEY not out	0
Sundries	8
TOTAL:	130

Bowling: J Hall 9-57, G Murphy 0-

21, J Starr 0-44, J Markham 1-6.

Western Suburbs 1st innings:

B DALLAS lbw Harvey	38
V BURROWS caught b Moran	29
W MARKHAM b Moran	5
A BAKER caught b Moran	0
D SIMPSON c Kates b Moran	6
S MAYNE c Bailey b Harvey	2
M BRADLEY c Bailey b Halsey	17
J HALL b Thomas	60
R STUBBS c Bailey b Halsey	27
G MURPHY not out	14
J STARR c Harvey b Bailey	18
Sundries	22
TOTAL:	238

Bowling: R Moran 4-18, D Stephen

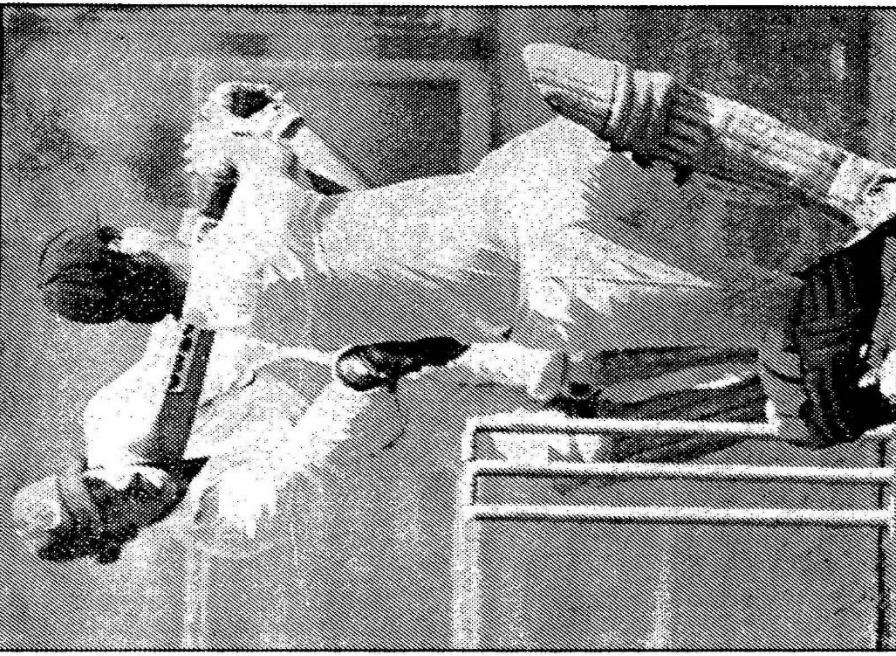
0-48, J Halsey 2-41, D Halsey 0-16, S

Harvey 2-59, M Thomas 1-16, P Kates

0-6, L Rout 0-4, J Bailey 1-14.

Western Suburbs won on 1st in-

nings by 108 runs.



DAPTO RECRUIT CLINCHES TITLE

By PHIL MURPHY

Dapto pace bowler Rod Burnett, a recruit from indoor cricket, ripped the heart out of the Keira side victory in the Illawarra first grade final at Stuart Park over the weekend.

Three years ago the only cricket Burnett had played was indoors and a he only joined Dapto when a friend said he should try his hand "outdoors."

"I went along to Reed Park and picked up a few wickets in the lower grades and I've been in first grade all this season," Burnett said.

"Getting a wicket in my first over spurred me on a bit, but the boys batted well on the first day."

His previous best effort in first grade was a five-wicket haul against Wollongong Set 268 to win, Keira were never in the hunt after 29-year-old Burnett struck with just the fourth ball of the innings. Burnett had Keira opener Peter Evans caught by Martin Oberg without a run on

the board and the Dapto attack held the upper hand from that point onwards.

Keira lost their second wicket with the total just 10 and slumped to be 5-42 with Burnett having claimed all the wickets to that stage.

The youngster had the impressive figures of 5-14 from his opening 11 overs and finished the day with 5-31 from 17 – eight of them maidens.

Dapto captain Colin Pitt said after the game he was elated that his club's policy of appointing him coach and sole selector had paid off.

Pitt was in the Dapto team when they last won the premiership 10 years ago under Bill Moffatt – ironically the man who led Keira this season.

"We batted well as a team on the first day, just as we did against University in the semi-final, and Burnett really bowled well today," Pitt said.

A second-wicket partnership of 71 between Ross Hawksworth and Ivan Williams paved the way for Dapto's big score.

Hawksworth hammered two sixes and nine fours in his top score of 59, while Williams (24) played a strong supporting role.

Both batsmen went with the score on 87 Hawksworth being run out, but Scott Perry and Pitt then got the innings back on its keel taking the total to 5-105.

Dapto's middle order then took control with Pitt finishing with 32, Paul Carr 23, Peter Bishell 37 (including five fours), John Gasparini 36 and Wayne Walters 28.

Walters and Gasparini frustrated the Keira attack with a dogged eighth-wicket stand of 60.

Col Parkes was the best of the Keira bowlers with 6-93 from a marathon 44 overs, all into the breeze, while John Waugh took 2-77.

Keira were always struggling after Evans went with Scott Barnsley (5) and Dave Fuller (5) having no answer to Burnett and his opening partner Shannon O'Donnell.

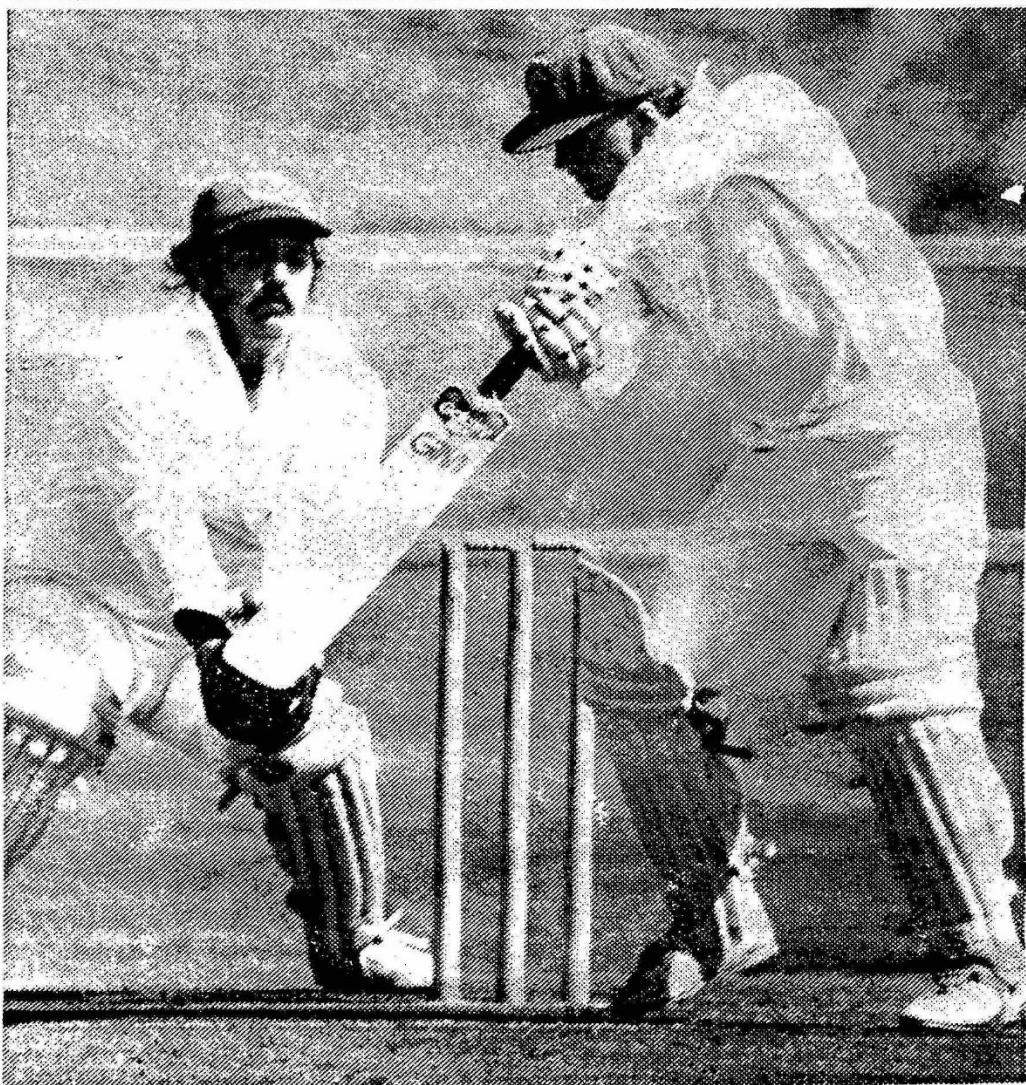
Ian Lancaster finished top scorer for Keira with 30, including a six and three fours.

Batting at number 11, Waugh held up Dapto's celebrations with 27 (two sixes and two fours) sharing a last-wicket stand of 36 with Joe Ucles.

The innings folded when Ucles went for a hook shot and fell to a juggled catch by Perry off the bowling of Walters.

● Keira wicketkeeper Joe Ucles looks on as Dapto Opener Ross Hawksworth goes for a big hook shot during his innings of 59 at Stuart Park on Saturday. Dapto won their first premiership in 10 years with a convincing 125-run victory.

Dapto scoop the pool



DAPTO has finished off a superb season by winning the first, second, and third grade premierships at the weekend, following their Club Championship win for the first time.

In the first grade final at Stuart Park, Dapto skipper Colin Pitt won the toss and elected to bat. After the loss of an early wicket, the Dapto batsmen produced a solid performance to reach 7-251 at stumps on Saturday. They were eventually all out for 267 after 30 minutes of play on Sunday.

Coombe on Cricket

Opener Ross Hawksworth top scored with 59 for Dapto, while Peter Bishell (37), John Gasparine (36) and Colin Pitt (32) played well.

Chris Parkes was the pick of Keira's attack and he finished with 6/93 from 44 overs.

Dapto's second grade side recorded a comfortable victory over Keira after Keira could manage 80 in their first innings. Dapto replied with

141 to take the premiership.

In third grade, Dapto scored 209 and then dismissed Helensburgh for 159. However in fourth grade, Dapto suffered defeat at the hands of Wests. Unanderra won the fifth grade after a comfortable win over Fairy Meadow B.

● IVAN Williams plays a shot through the covers while Keira wicket-keeper Joe Ucles was ready for the catch.

THE 1986-87 SEASON

After the successes of the previous season the 86/87 season was one of disappointment and frustration for D.C.C. Colin Pitt continued as Coach but handed over the captaincy reins to Peter Bishell. By Christmas there was no hope of achieving back to back premierships and avoiding the wooden spoon was a priority.

What went wrong was a combination of things. Opposing sides always lift their games against the reigning premiers and the bounce of the ball went against us regularly. Quite a few games were lost narrowly and once you start losing the confidence level of the team suffers. The loss of Scott Perry for this season and the loss of form of the new ball bowlers had a marked effect as well.

Only four batsmen reached fifty during the season and there were very few highlights. Peter Bishell took 37 wickets at 12.8 and was selected in rep teams. Paul Carr was consistent with the bat scoring 327 at 27 whilst Colin Pitt and Ross Hawksworth had one substantial partnership against Port Kembla in a game which saw us lose from a winning position.

Dave Middlebrook and Terry Hutchinson both made contributions during the year while Jeff Hurd, Rod Croft, Simon Harding and Peter Rodgers all made appearances in first grade.

Second grade again made it to the finals before losing to Keira in the semi. The innings was notable because eight Dapto batsmen were dismissed by being bowled. During the season there were a number of notable performers. John 'yobbo' McLean, and Terry Hutchinson both scored hundreds, Don Lees was reliable against the new ball. Steve Vyse and Steve Davies both contributed with the bat too. Graham McDonald, and Mark Ashcroft formed an effective opening attack taking 37 and 27 wickets respectively with support from Mark Reed, Rod Croft and John Rodgers.

Third grade also made it to the semis only to lose by one wicket to Helensburgh. This season saw the debuts of players like David 'Pyny' Pyne (A 7fa on debut), John Walker, Dean Callaway, and a 12 year old Trent Johnston. Ray Gargett, Gus Lopez, and Jim Stephen had big seasons with the bat whilst Rod Croft, Simon Harding and Dave Pyne all took over twenty wickets .

This season D.C.C. fielded two fourth grade teams. The 'A' side made up of older more experienced players and the 'B' side of young players in their first full season of grade .

The A side saw good batting performances from Dennis McPherson, and Jim Bailey. Dave Purdie, Phil Perry and Dean Callaway also batted well at times. Dennis also performed well with the ball, taking 20 wickets .

The B side just missed the semis after a slow start. Steve Owen performed well as an all-rounder. Michael Love, and Michael McAvoy made some good scores with Phil Green, and Peter Brown bowling well .

THE 1987-88 SEASON

Another successful season for D.C.C. with both Senior and Junior clubs winning their respective Club Championships. Russell Hickson made a comeback after a break and this season also saw the return of Neal Schofield and Scott Perry to the Canaries. Also joining the club was Dave Kingdom , a left arm spinner originally from Wales .

Early in the season it was evident that Russell was building good team and club spirit with his many team meetings at D.L.C. Training attendances were good and four teams were fielded.

Round 1 saw a great victory over Wollongong . They made 201 with Dave Kingdom 4-57 and Rod Burnett 3-40 doing well with the ball . Nightwatchman Dougie(40) and Ross Hawksworth(62) belted them all over the park in a 75 run stand and had the game won. Steve Davies, and Steve Vyse made 37 and 43 as well . The next two games were drawn, one due to rain, and the other due to Wests' negative attitude .

Neal made a ton against Wests and was supported by Paul Carr(49) and Ross(31). They finished nine down with Shannon taking 3-38 .

Port Kembla compiled 280 in Round 4 with Shannon taking 4-27 . We made 161 with Russell top scoring with 36 .

The next game saw Balgownie let off the hook and score 254, Dave "LA" Kingdom taking 4-85 . Russell read the riot act over the slackness which crept into our game in a team meeting at D.L.C. the night before we batted . This meeting ended at 8.30 but Skip didn't leave until much later . The loss of an early wicket and a hail storm made things difficult . Luckily Neal (95) and Scott (71) got together, and carved the bowling up with a stand of 114 runs in 79 minutes. Scott belted one six over mid-wicket into the famous gum tree . Skip made 30 and Paul 35 in quick time to finish the game early .

A disappointing loss to Berkeley followed . Rod taking 4-40 and Dave 4-98. We fell 16 short of them , Scott and Steve Davies scoring 50 and 69 respectively .

1988 started with a great outright win over Corrimal at Ziems Park. Dougie took 5-36 as we rolled them for 77. An opening stand of 62 by Ross(29) and Scott(41) and 37 from Paul saw a declaration at 3-131. They lost 5-30 but recovered to declare, and set a target of 119 off 18 overs. In the end it came down to the last ball which Rod deftly snicked down to third man, an overthrow getting us home. This lead to one of the biggest celebrations of a victory seen by this author, the Sambuca flowed like a river that night .

Round 8 saw the Butchers travel to Dapto. On the best wicket seen at Reed Park in a long time Thirroul only made 155 with Skip bowling like a genius to take 4-19, ably supported by Dougie 3-34 . Solid partnerships built around Scott (50) led to a declaration six down. They made 6-109 and declared, L A Kingdom taking 4-34 . After losing early wickets we gave up the chase at 6-43.

Scott scored a fine 115 against University at Reed Park the next game. Again it was a very good track to bat on with Neal (35) , Paul (30) and Steve Vyse (35) having good partnerships with Scott . Uni took most of the day to make 187. It was a struggle to dismiss them and Shannon (3-52) and Wayne (3-29) were the best bowlers on the day .

The clash with Keira is always keenly contested with Bill Moffat at their helm. We batted poorly to get to 8-152 off 50 overs with Ross (32) and Steve Vyse(46*) the best performers. A classic catch at first slip by Ross early in their innings led to a slump in the fielding standard and they reached the target in the last over nine wickets down, Shannon taking 5-72 off 24.4 overs .

This loss ended up costing us the Minor Premiership as the last round game against Port was washed out with us chasing a target of 153, which we were confident of achieving. Dougie bowled well to take 3-35 off 30 overs and LA 4-49 backed him up well .

The Semi Final against Wollongong was played at King George Oval. We won the toss, and batted on a good surface but struggled all day to reach 209 . Steve Vyse top scored with 73. They batted well to pass us five down. In the end they were too good on the day.

Second Grade had a great season under Clarkys' captaincy, the highlight being the hiding handed out to Wests in the final. It should be noted that the stability of the first grade side with only 12 players being used all season helped the stability of the seconds (**take note future players and selectors!**)

John Gasparinni had a top season finishing with an average of 43 and John Walker scored 412 runs to lead the aggregate. Dave Middlebrook and Jeff Hurd also scored freely at times, although Jeff showed his determination in the Semi by batting all one day, and into the next to score 57. The bowling attack was led by Graham McDonald and Phil Perry with 41 wickets and 23 wicket respectively. Simon Harding and Trevor Jones also chipped in when it mattered

The victory in the final was one of the most emphatic seen in years. Wests batted first and folded badly to be all out 98, Macca taking 5-19. Jeff and Dave then wiped off the deficit on their own with a stand of 113. Dave top scored with 67 and Jeff made 60, including a huge six onto the dressing shed roof (he later took the broken tile as a souvenir).

Third grade missed the semis but managed to secure the Club Championship with an outright win in the last round. They were again lead by Jim Stephen, who had a good season with the bat . Phil Chamberlain, Gus Lopez and Trevor Jones also contributed good scores. Russell Banks led the bowling with 26 wickets, supported by Jeremy Lasek, Dave Pyne, Dean Sumner and Ian Burns

Fourth grade had a mixed season both in results and gender, with Mrs Kate Schofield playing five matches and failing to score at her three trips to the crease. Geoff Needham resurfaced to score 259 runs in six at bats, Steve Owen, Chris Brodhurst and Dean Callaway also batting well at times. Steve also bowled well to take 25 wickets in the season. Dean Sumner earnt a promotion to thirds after taking 19 wickets at 3 and a haul of 7-11 in one game. Shaun Sanaghan and Simon Cameron also totalled over ten wickets.

THE 1988-89 SEASON

After the successes of the previous season the 88/89 season was a huge blow to the stability of D.C.C.

For numerous inexplicable reasons only two grades could take the field in 88/89. A quarter of the first grade side left, and the disturbing loss of keen lower graders meant we were going to do it tough.

After initially approaching Peter Bishell to captain the firsts', which he was unavailable to do, it was decided to appoint Ross Hawksworth as captain and Mick Clark again led second grade.

First grade started slowly , losing the first two games to Port and Wests. The promising performers in these games were Phil Green, a young off-spinner straight up from thirds and Wayne Walters, who took 7 wickets against Wests .

After a Sunday afternoon barbecue at Ross' home where some of the players met and talked to former great Windies fast bowler Charlie Griffith and his Barbados Masters team mate Lawrence Maxwell (the player Lance Gibbs kept out of Test Cricket), Phil was inspired and took 8-71 in round 4 against Corrimal.

The batting came together after a slow start with Paul Carr, John Walker, Steve Vyse and Steve Davies all contributing scores. By Round 7 we were in semi final contention .



Unfortunately Steve V left to play with Manly, Steve D succumbed to injury and John Walker moved back to Murwillumbah. Luckily Shannon, Wayne and Phil were bowling extremely well and we were still capable of defending smallish totals .

Round 7 was the turning point. Wollongong batting first in a rain interrupted round and declaring sportingly at 141. The two batsmen in the team who had been out of form, Ross(52*) and Jeff Hurd (83*) got together in a stand of 140 to wipe the score of in only 28 overs. This was an important win as it put us fourth spot .

The next game was washed out then another great win over Berkeley when defending 133 (Jeremy Lasek 31) kept us fourth. Another draw against Thirroul, notable for Paul Carr making his maiden grade century, maintained our position .

The last round clash with Keira saw them compile 234 on day one. After a solid start of 47 we collapsed to be 5-55. Then John Gasparrini and Wayne Walters batted out the rest of the time (214 minutes) in a stand of 88, resisting every physical and verbal attempt to upset them. This draw kept us in fourth spot .

The Semi Final against University was played at King George on a rainy March weekend. They batted first and took 133.3 overs to compile 224, Shannon taking 4-75 off 43.3 overs and earning a trip to the judiciary for verbal obscenities. Unfortunately our batting didn't fire and we were out for 84. It was a sad end to an interesting season .

With the high attrition rate of first graders it was always going to be a hard season for seconds To their credit they finished mid table after some good wins. Some younger players were blooded and notable performers with the bat were Phil Chamberlain and Dave Middlebrook. The wickets were shared around by Steve Owen, Graham McDonald, Trevor Jones, Gary Masters and Jim Morris.

The social highlight of the season was a trip to the Cricketers Club of NSW in Sydney where the Dapto boys rubbed shoulders and shared a few drinks with the touring West Indies and NSW players. Gus Logie and Richie Richardson spent the night chatting with Johnny Walker, Jim Morris and Ray Gargett .

THE 1989-90 SEASON

The 1989/90 season saw a resurgence in player numbers to D.C.C. with three grades taking the field .

Scott Perry returned after a year in Britain and Michael Lynch was recruited to play from Qantas. Gary Masters returned full time to take over as Captain-Coach .

The first four rounds resulted in four losses. The best performers were Jeff Hurd, who scored 95 against University, Wayne Walters (73) against Uni (including the introduction of the reverse sweep, an obsession which has brought him worldwide recognition) and Graham McDonald with two 4 wicket hauls .

Round 5 saw a change of fortune against Wests, with Wests being humbled for 67 after being 0-35 early on , Macca taking 4-20 and Froggy 4-11 . Two more good wins over Thirroul (Scott 74) and Berkeley saw confidence restored. A loss to Port (Steve Davies 50) dented hopes , but the last game before Christmas resulted in a win over Berkeley, Scott making

74 and Gaspo 70 . Shannon bowled well to take 3-31 . This saw firsts go into the New Year with a 4 and 6 record , not far out of the four .

The New year started with a loss to Wests (Scott 73, Jeff 52) and a lot hinged on the next game versus Port . They scored 245 and at 2-10 things were not all that promising. However Scott showed his class with an unbeaten 105, supported by Steve Vyse 58 and a win resulted

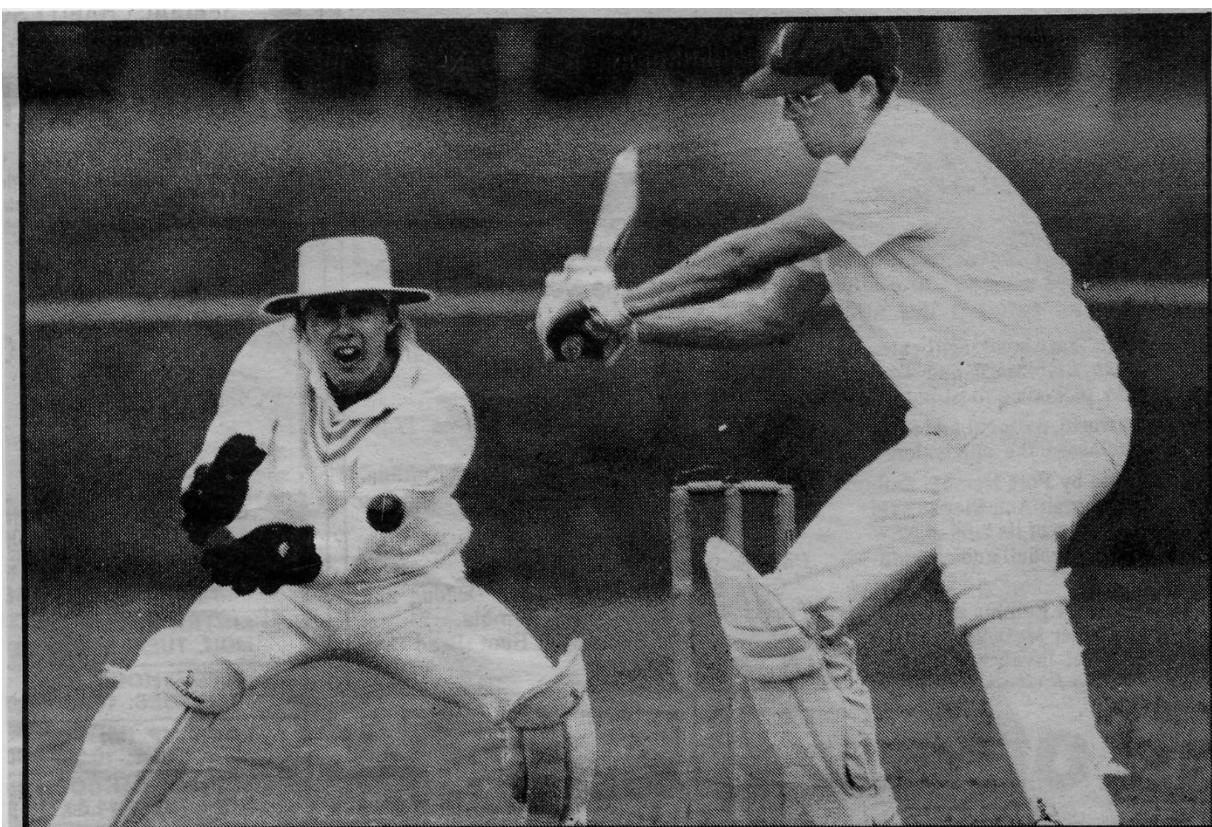
Round 13 resulted in a loss to Wollongong . We made 169 (Paul Carr 72, Ross Hawksworth 32) and they passed that five down. Froggy was devastated by the loss and resigned.

The next two games were washed out . Paul Carr had taken over the captaincy. The season ended on a low note with two losses and a draw.

Second grade also had a disappointing season with only 6 wins. Ray Capner, Dave Middlebrook and Ross Hawksworth had notable seasons with the bat with the bowling honours taken by Mick Keevers 38 wickets, supported by Rod Burnett, Dave Pyne and Russell Banks .

Third grade were led by Ray Gargett . They started well but eventually finished out of the top four . Ray had a good season with the bat , as did Mick Love, Ted Lasek, Trent Johnston, Adrian O'Donnell. and the Owen brothers. Best bowlers were Adrian O'Donnell, Steve Owen and David Conkey .

ROSS HAWKSWORTH



● Dapto opener Scott Perry shapes to cut this delivery, while Thirroul 'keeper Andrew Stewart looks on. Perry top-scored with 74 for Dapto in their eight-wicket victory over the competition leaders at Reed Park on Saturday.

The 1990-1991 Season

President Michael Clark

Captains 1st Grade Paul Carr

2nd Grade Michael Clark

3rd Grade Ron Breska

HIGHLIGHTS

1st Grade

Two centuries to Steve Vyse

Consistent batting from Paul Carr (*Four Half Centuries*)

Two six wicket hauls from Graeme Macdonald

Five wicket hauls from Shannon O'Donnell and Michael Keevers

2nd Grade

98 to Dave Nickle

Scores of 70 to Ross Hawksworth and Paul Owen

Five wicket hauls to Larry Wilson, Trevor Jones and Russell Banks.

3rd Grade

One century to Jason Spencer

Six wicket haul to Adrian O'Donnell

CLUB HONOURS

Player Of The Year: Trent Johnston

President's Award: Arturo Baz

Club Man Of The Year: Jim Morris

Under 21 Player Of The Year: Trent Johnston

The 1991-1992 Season

President: Michael Clark

Captains 1st Grade Neal Schofield
 2nd Grade Ross Hawksworth/Larry Wilson
 3rd Grade

HIGHLIGHTS

1st Grade

173 from Neal Schofield
Twin centuries to Trent Johnston
Consistent batting from Steve Davies (five half centuries)
Four five wicket hauls from Trent Johnston ***including 16 in one match***
One five wicket haul from Steve Davies

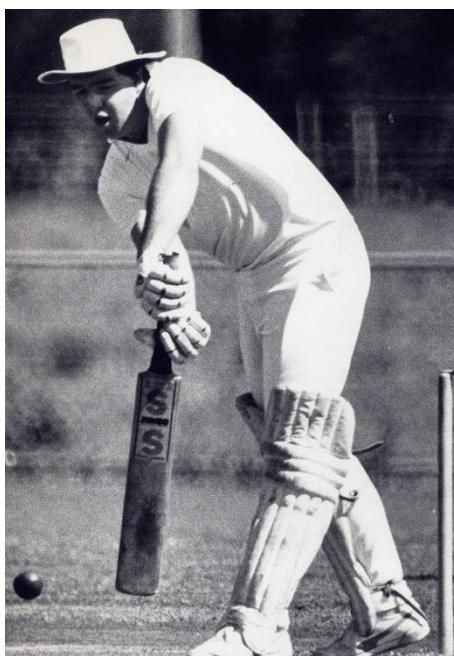
2nd Grade

Century from Ross Hawksworth
Five wicket hauls from Larry Wilson (6) and Mick Keevers (7)

3rd Grade

Representative Players/Awards

Trent Johnston - Illawarra Seniors, And Colts
Trent Johnston - Illawarra Player Of The Year
Trent Johnston - Umpires Best, And Fairest
Trent Johnston - Bowling Aggregate
Trent Johnston - Under 19 Country Cricketer of the year
Steve Davies - Illawarra Colts
Jeff Hurd - Illawarra Wicket-Keeper of the year



Neal Schofield

Club Honours

Player Of The Year	Trent Johnston
President's Award	Noel Spencer
Club Man Of The Year	Jim Morris
Under 21 Player Of The Year	Trent Johnston

The 1992-1993 Season:-

President Michael Clark

Captains 1st Grade Neal Schofield
 2nd Grade Ross Hawksworth
 3rd Grade Michael Love

HIGHLIGHTS

1st Grade

Reaching the Semi-Final and losing a rain affected game by two wickets in a close one
Twin centuries to Neal Schofield
90 from Chris Hogan
Two six wicket hauls from Trent Johnston
One five wicket haul from Greg Harvey and Wayne Walters

2nd Grade

Reaching the Semi-Finals
Centuries to Ross Hawksworth, Steve Davies, and Russell Hickson
Seven wicket haul to Steven Head, and consistent bowling from Russell Banks

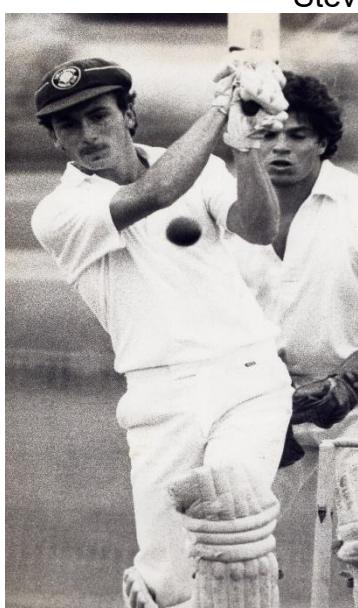
3rd Grade

Six wicket hauls to Steve Dungey and Adrian O'Donnell

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS/ AWARDS

Trent Johnston, Illawarra Seniors, and Colts, N.S.W Country, Illawarra Under 21 Player Of The Year.

Greg Harvey Illawarra Seniors
Steve Davies Illawarra Colts



CLUB HONOURS

Player Of The Year
President's Award
Club Man Of The Year
Under 21 Player Of The Year

Greg Harvey
Noel Spencer
Jim Morris
Trent Johnston

GREG HARVEY(WRAY)

The 1993-1994 Season:-

President Jim Morris

Captains

1st Grade	Neal Schofield
2nd Grade	Gary Masters
3rd Grade	Mark Venables
4/5th Grade	Bryan Millthorpe

HIGHLIGHTS

1st Grade

Won the One Day final

Made the Grand Final, losing by 11 runs in a rain affected match.

The outstanding feature of the game was the great innings of 70 not out by young Noel Spencer, An innings to remember.

Scores of 90 from Steve Davies and Neal Schofield. Five wicket hauls from Rob McMahon,(6 Wickets), Greg Harvey (7 Wickets) and Trent Johnston (5).

2nd Grade

Five wicket hauls to Mark Kirkland and Gary Masters
Centuries to Ross Hawksworth and Adrian O'Donnell
Score of 80 for Paul Owen and Arturo Baz

3rd Grade

A century to Steve Harris

4/5th Grade

Premiers

Century to Bryan Millthorpe

Five wickets hauls to Steve Owen and Keith Senior

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS/AWARDS

Trent Johnston	Illawarra Seniors, N.S.W Country, Illawarra Under 21 Player Of The Year
Greg Harvey	Illawarra Seniors
Rob McMahon	Illawarra Seniors
Noel Spencer	N.S.W Under 17 State side which won the tournament on the Adelaide Oval
Gary Masters	Illawarra Bowling Averages

CLUB HONOURS

Player Of The Year	Rob McMahon
President's Award	Noel Spencer
Clubman Of The Year	David Fryer
Under 21 Player Of The Year	Noel Spencer

The 1994-1995 Season:-

President Jim Morris

Captains 1st Grade Jeff Hurd
 2nd Grade Curtis Wilson
 3rd Grade Keith Senior
 4th Grade Dave Thompson

HIGHLIGHTS

1st Grade

Scores of 97 and 87 from Noel Spencer
Half centuries to Mick Lever, Steve Davies, Jeff Hurd, Paul Owen,
and Steve Vyse
Five wicket hauls from Shannon O'Donnell, Dean Sumner and
Anthony Golowenko.

2nd Grade

Century to Adrian O'Donnell
Scores of 70 from Simon Hartley and Curtis Wilson
Made the Grand Final after winning the Semi-Final by two runs

3rd Grade

Centuries to David Smith and Mark Bright
Scores of 80 to Mike Love and Troy Jenson
Consistent bowling from Steve Dungey

4th Grade

97 to David Thompson
Half centuries to Aaron Hickson, Michael McGuigan and Robbie Dean

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS/AWARDS

Steve Davies Illawarra Seniors

CLUB HONOURS

Player Of The Year	Steve Davies
President's Award	Steve Davies
Clubman Of The Year	Charlie Fryer
Under 21 Player Of The Year	Anthony Golowenko

The 1995-1996 Season:-

President Ross Hawksworth

Captains

1st Grade	Jeff Hurd
2nd Grade	Ross Hawksworth/Steve Harris
3rd Grade	David Thompson
4th Grade	Bryan Millthorpe

HIGHLIGHTS

1st Grade

Shannon O'Donnell claiming his 300 First Grade wicket.
Five wicket hauls to Shannon O'Donnell (8 wickets) Daniel Phillis (7 wickets) and Dean Sumner
Centuries to Steve Davies and Jeff Hurd
Half centuries to Simon Hartley
49 not out to Aaron Hickson at the age of 14 years and two months in his debut 1st Grade game (Top score)

2nd Grade

Century to Ross Hawksworth

3rd Grade

James Cummins consistent effort with bat and ball.

4th Grade

Making the Semi-Finals
Centuries to Stephen Head and David Smith
Half centuries to Bryan Millthorpe, Graham Farquar and Phil Chamberlain
Five wicket haul to Neil Street and Stephen Head.

REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS/AWARDS

Steve Davies	Illawarra Seniors
Greg Jones	Illawarra Colts
Daniel Phillis	Illawarra Colts
Shannon O'Donnell	Illawarra Bowling Aggregate (55)
Stephen Head	Illawarra 4th Grade Batting Averages

CLUB HONOURS

Player Of The Year	Shannon O'Donnell
President's Award	Steve Davies
Clubman Of The Year	David Fryer
Under 21 Player Of The Year	Greg Jones

1996-1997

PRESIDENT	D FRYER	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	J.HURD
SECRETARY	P SUNSHINE	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	A.FAUGHLIN
TREASURER	MRS M DAVIES	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	S.DUNGEY
COACH		4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	M.GRIFFITHS

The 140th season of Dapto Cricket Club saw 1st grade led by Jeff Hurd. They finished mid table with some good wins followed by some disappointing losses. Good efforts with the bat by Jeff Hurd, Paul Owen, Greg Jones, Aaron Hickson and Steve Davies. The bowling attack was again led by Shannon O'Donnell with support from Greg Dimond. Top grade debuts by Steve Wallace, Matthew Head and Brad Young.

2nd grade also had a mixed season under the leadership of Andrew Faughlin. The batting was led by Ross Hawksworth and Adrian O'Donnell with support from Brian Greenhalgh, Matthew Head, Brad Young, Steve Wallace and Steve Chamberlain.

Trevor Jones, Steve Chamberlain and Daniel Phillis were the main bowlers supported by Adrian O'Donnell, Greg Dimond and Andrew Faughlin.

3rd grade were led by Steve Dungey. After a slow start they finished strongly to reach the semi-finals. After a strong win over Northern Districts they put up a good effort but were defeated by University in the final. Strong batting performances during the season by Steve Dungey, David Smith, James Cummins, David Thompson, Steven Head, Wayne Farquar, Michael Love and Adrian Lemme. The bowling was led by Steve Dungey, Gary Masters, James Cummins, Wayne Farquar, Steve Wallace and Wayne Phillis.

As is always the case with 4th grade a cast of thousands represented the fiery 4th's during this season. Captained by Mark Griffiths the other strong performers were Dean Callaway, Scott Murphy, Peter Rogers and Basim Latif. Balgownie set a club record against us this season with 534 off 50 overs.

The real highlight of the season occurred on October 26th when nearly 300 past and present Canaries flocked together for the 140th Anniversary Dinner. Guest speakers were former Australian opener John Dyson and an impromptu speech by NSW Cricket Association President Alan Davidson about his experiences with Don Bradman was fascinating and entertaining. Mick Clark eventually claiming the Bradman autographed bat at auction and Jeremy Lasek did a fine job as M.C.



3RD GRADE 1996/97 – RUNNERS UP

BACK L TO R- A.MCGRATH, J.CUMMINS, W.FARQUAR, D.SMITH, S.DUNGEY, R.DEAN, D.THOMPSON
FRONT- D.FENNELL, M.LOVE, G.MASTERS, R.CROSS, A.LEMME

1997-1998

PRESIDENT	T.JONES	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	J.HURD
SECRETARY	P SUNSHINE	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH
TREASURER	D.FRYER	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	S.DUNGEY
COACH	P.OWEN	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	D.CALLAWAY

Jeff Hurd again led 1st grade in the 1997/98 season. They again finished outside the top four with some really good performances coupled with some indifferent efforts.

Stephen Davies scored a fine century against Wollongong in a losing team and other good efforts with the bat came from Jeff Hurd, Paul Owen, Aaron Hickson, Steve Wallace and Greg Jones.

Shannon O'Donnell again led the bowling attack, but no other bowler managed a five wicket haul during the season.

Scott Tutton, Adrian Lemme and Greg Neale also made 1st grade debuts in this season. 2nd grade were initially led by Mark Hoffman. He stood down after a few games and Ross Hawksworth took over the reins.

After a poor start the side picked up very well to be a finals possibility. Unfortunately, some selection mishaps saw the team play short a number of games and the opportunity was lost.

The batting was led by Ross Hawksworth, Mark Harriman, Troy Jensen, Daniel Castle and Trevor Jones.

Best bowlers were Steve Harris, Adrian O'Donnell, James Mani and James Cummins. Steve Dungey again led 3rd grade. They also started slowly then improved to record two outright wins and get into contention for the semi finals. Two outright losses saw a poor end to the season.

Jye Pitt, Steve Dungey, Greg Flack, Neil Cavill, John Lambert, Daniel Castle and Mark Bright posted good scores during the season with Neil Cavill, Rob Dean, Daniel Castle, Loris Bianco, Aaron Mc Grath and Steve Dungey recording strong bowling efforts at times. 4th grade's cast of thousands included a century from Deuayne Fennell and other good batting efforts from Daniel Castle, Dean Callaway, Paul Sunshine, Jye Pitt, Scott Pymont, Aaron McGrath and Brad Haines.

Good bowling performances from Dean Callaway, Craig Graham, Brad Haines, Graham Payne and David Fryer.



ALAN DAVIDSON CONGRATULATES MICHAEL CLARK FOR WINNING THE AUCTION FOR THE AUTOGRAPHED BRADMAN BAT – 1996 140TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

1998/99

PRESIDENT	T.JONES	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	G.PROUTEN
SECRETARY	P SUNSHINE	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH
TREASURER	D.FRYER	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	D.THOMPSON
COACH	G.PROUTEN	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	D.FENNELL

During the off season former Dapto all - rounder Trent Johnston was contacted by his North Sydney team mate Glenn Prouten about looking for a club to play for when he moved to Wollongong. Trent passed the information on to the committee and after some contacts Glenn joined Dapto as captain coach for the 1998/99 season with an option to continue in following seasons.

First grade enjoyed a mixed season with some good wins and some poor performances as well. The team qualified for the semi finals of the one day competition but was defeated. The best performers with the bat during the season were Glenn Prouten with 454 runs, Steve Davies (440), Steve Vyse (422) and Jeff Hurd (333).

With the ball Glenn Prouten completed a fine season with 40 wickets, Greg Neale also bowled well to take 29 wickets. They were supported by the O'Donnell brothers with Adrian taking 24 wickets and Shannon 22. Other notable performers were Brad Young and Chris Chase, but the lack of a quality spin bowler cost the team on a number of occasions.

Second grade were again captained by Ross Hawksworth with Jim Morris and Russell Banks coming out of retirement to lend some experience. After losing the first round to Northern Districts the team rattled off five wins in a row at Reed Park East (our Domain as the team described it). A mid-season slump was followed by winning four of the last five games to qualify for the semi-finals. The semi-final was rain effected and led to a loss to Wests. The batting was led by 24 year old debutante Richard Marsh, who showed rapid improvement to notch a century against Helensburgh in his 445 runs for the season. Ross Hawksworth, Troy Jensen and Brad Haines also scored well, while Phil Chamberlain was always ready to build a partnership around or just inspire the team. Sean 'the Pom' Milburn turned up one day and played well all season, always ready to socialise afterwards. His sendoff back to England was a highlight. Bowling was led by Russell Banks (43wkt), Jim Morris(34), Steve Harris (32) and Loris Bianco (25) formed a formidable bowling attack who generally kept the opposition down below 150. Shaun Epe made his debut as wicket keeper and became an integral member of the team.

Third grade were captained by David Thompson. They only managed five wins during the season but a number of future higher grade players made their debuts this season.

The batting was led by Brad Haines early on with a century and 50 before his promotion to two's. Other to notch notable batting performances were Steve Dyke, Brian Greenhalgh, Mark Hoffman, Stuart Masters and Hayden McKay. Strong bowling performances from 14 year old Joel Tuccia, Stuart Masters, Steve Dungey, Aaron McGrath and James Mani. Dave Thompson being the most frequent wicket keeper.

Fourth grade were a large squad of mates from the Dapto Leagues Club staff and other notables from around Dapto. They won five out of 14 games but enjoyed their cricket. Greg Flack had a great season with bat and ball scoring 331 runs and taking 19 wickets. Deuayne Fennell scoring 191 runs, Rod Cross 170, Craig Graham 123 and Stuart Masters 139. Chris 'Penny' Leikvoll celebrated his contract with the newly formed St George Illawarra Dragons by scoring 263 runs @ 65.8 and taking a few wickets as well. Jye Pitt scored 340 runs with a high proportion of 6's and also took 12 wickets. Notable future stars to debut this season in 4th include Tomi Bozinovski, Phil Bernie, Mark Street, Peter Calder and Daniel Cavill. Post season Glenn Prouten was offered and accepted a three year contract to continue as Captain Coach.

1999-2000

PRESIDENT	R.HAWKSWORTH	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	G.PROUTEN
SECRETARY	P SUNSHINE	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH
TREASURER	T.JONES	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	A.BARNES
COACH	G.PROUTEN	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN A	D.FENNELL
		4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN B	D.BIRKIN

After a solid pre - season expectations of an improved performance were high. However, some unfortunate off field incidents hampered the coach and committee for most of the season with some longer term effects as well.

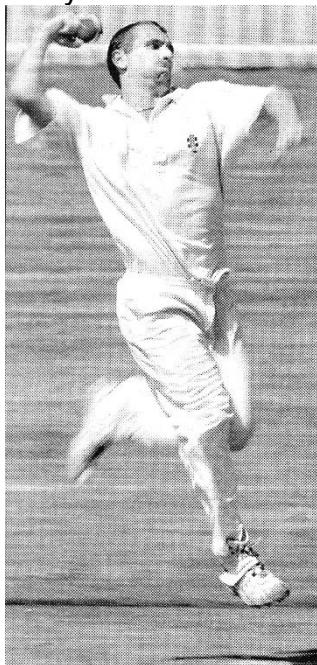
1st grade made a poor start and didn't recover. After a few games the less experienced players in the team were sent back to 2nd grade to work on their games while some senior members of the club moved into 1st grade. By mid-season the form of some 2nd graders warranted selection in 1st grade. By the end of the season 1st grade had strung some good wins together, but missed the semi-finals in both forms of the game. Glenn Prouten again performed well with bat and ball.

With the high turnover of players 2nd grade did well to play consistently for most of the season. Phil Bernie scored a sensational 143 in a high scoring game against Northern Districts with the result going in our favour at the start of their last over. Unfortunately, the team fell out of contention late in the season after losing outright to Balgownie in a game where both 1st innings and outright points were decided with Bally nine down chasing the runs.

Adam Barnes captained 3rd grade and did a good job managing a high turnover of players with a large proportion of under 21 players as well. Steve Dyke and Hayden McKay were the leading batsmen, while Adam Barnes, Aaron McGrath and Daniel Cavill led the way with respect to bowling.

Deuayne Fennell captained the 4th grade 'A' team which failed to make the semi-finals. Deuayne also had a good season with the bat as did Todd Murray, Greg Flack and Chris Covington. Greg Flack was the leading bowler with 25 wickets and Paul MacPherson also bowled consistently.

David Birkin captained the 4th grade 'B' team which led for most of the season. They were defeated in the semi-finals. Andrew Spence took out the hotly contested batting award for the team while David Birkin, Paul Chamberlain and John Brdar also batted consistently. Terry Wales was the best bowler with 32 wickets.



LEFT PHOTO

GLENN PROUTEN
CAPTAIN COACH 1998/99 TO
2000/01

RIGHT PHOTO

TRENT JOHNSTON
Former Dapto junior and player
who moved on to Sydney
Grade Cricket and played for
N.S.W.
Moved to Ireland 2004 and is
their national team captain.
Photo is Trent bowling to Ian
Harvey with Michael Vaughan
non striker, Ireland vs
Yorkshire 2006.



2000-2001

PRESIDENT	P.SUNSHINE	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	G.PROUTEN
SECRETARY	R.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH
TREASURER	T.JONES	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	G.FLACK
COACH	G.PROUTEN	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	D.BIRKIN

Another disappointing season for the top three grades but a success from 4th grade. First grade were again led by Glenn Prouten and inconsistency with the bat was the major reason for poor results. Steve Wallace had a consistent season with the bat without making a big score, while Scott Tutton, Richard Marsh and Glenn Prouten contributed some scores. Glenn Prouten was the leading bowler with support from Shannon O'Donnell, Scott Tutton, Phil Bernie and Wayne Walters. Wayne added to his legendary status by attempting the reverse sweep on a hat trick ball against Northern Districts which led to a headline of 'Bizarre Hat Trick' in the Mercury the following Monday.

Second grade were captained by Ross Hawksworth. They were also inconsistent with some good wins and then some poor efforts as well. Ross led the batting especially after the Christmas break when he scored four consecutive 50's. Greg Neale, Hayden McKay and Troy Jensen also provided some batting highlights. Russell Banks and Adrian O'Donnell were the leading bowlers, while Joel Tuccia started bowling very well towards the end of the season.

Third grade were captained by Greg Flack, who had a strong season with bat and ball. He was supported by Todd Murray with the bat and Tomi Bozinovski and Chris Sartori with the ball.

Fourth grade were captained by Dave Birkin and they were successful in winning the final against Keira in a one sided match. Dave had a big season with the bat scoring 700 runs, with Paul Chamberlain and Jamie O'Keefe scoring centuries. Steve Brown spearheaded the bowling attack with support from Jamie O'Keefe, Lupche Kominkovski and Terry Wales.

This season saw the introduction of the super 8 tournament where the juniors and seniors combined to form teams.

This proved to be a successful formula with some outstanding performances from the youngsters and some great interactions with the grade players.



OVER 1200 GAMES OF CRICKETING EXPERIENCE – DAPTO'S VETERAN PLAYERS
FEBRUARY 2001

2001-2002

PRESIDENT	S.O'DONNELL	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	S.DAVIES
SECRETARY	R.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	W.WALTERS
TREASURER	A.BARNES	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	D.BIRKIN
COACH	S.DAVIES		

At the completion of the previous season the committee and Glenn Prouten met to discuss the direction the club was heading and the result was that Glenn was released from the final season of his contract.

Subsequently applications were taken and Steve Davies was appointed as captain coach for three seasons as he had presented the committee with a detailed manifesto on where he would improve the club's playing strength. First grade again failed to reach the semi-finals in either form of the competition. There was, however, an improvement in the attitude and attendance at training sessions and this transferred to improved performance on the field. The best performed batsman was Steve Wallace with nearly 400 runs in the season. Scott Tutton led the bowling attack with 25 wickets, while Phil Bernie showed plenty of promise with both bat and ball at times.

Second grade were captained by wily veteran Wayne Walters. They too missed the finals and mixed some strong performances with some poor efforts. Hayden McKay performed well with the bat with 320 runs with Adrian O'Donnell taking 25 wickets.

Third grade were captained by David Birkin. After their victory in 4th grade the previous season the bulk of the team moved into 3rd grade and proved to be tough opponents. They reached the final and were defeated by University. Paul Chamberlain scored nearly 400 runs with good batting support from his skipper. Steve Brown was the leading bowler with 21 wickets.

During the season former Dapto and NSW player Trent Johnston helped arrange a visit and training session with his club team Mosman's coaches former England Test player Barry Knight and former Australian leg spinner Peter Philpott. After an entertaining dinner and drinks at Dapto Leagues Club the duo organised two coaching sessions the following morning. One session with some promising juniors and the other with the 1st grade squad. This was an enlightening and beneficial experience.

Chris Georgiou led his 'Armanis" side to victory in the Intra Club Super 8s.



2ND GRADE 2001/02

Back: B. Haines, T. Bozinovski, A. Barnes, C. Sartori, H. McKay, J. Campbell

Front: T. Jensen, R. Hawksworth, S. Epe, W. Walters, A. O'Donnell

2002-2003

PRESIDENT	S.O'DONNELL	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	S.DAVIES
SECRETARY	R.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	T.JENSEN
TREASURER	M.BARNES	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH
COACH	S.DAVIES	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	M.MILDENHALL

Steve Davies continued in his role as captain/coach this season. Again 1st grade failed to play in the post season and again some poor performances with the bat cost the side dearly. Brad Young received the batting award for his 321 runs with support from Aaron Hickson. Scott Tutton was the leading wicket taker with 23 wickets. Joel Tuccia represented NSW at under 17 level.

2nd grade were captained by Troy Jensen. They had an improved season and tasted defeat in the one day final against Balgownie. New players including Phil Farrance and Troy Redman, who added some experience and ability to the club and this side in particular. Phil was outstanding with 653 runs and 25 wickets to scoop the pool at the presentation night.

3rd grade was captained mainly by Ross Hawksworth, who took out the batting award for the team. Ryan O'Neill was the leading bowler for the team and Todd Murray played well over the whole season. Young players like Harry Bown, Brent Dawson and Josh Lehane made regular appearances in this team.

After not fielding a 4th grade team the previous season the fiery 4ths were resuscitated by recently returned club stalwart Merrick Mildenhall. Merrick had a strong season with the bat scoring 420 runs while Phil Holmes was the leading bowler with 21 wickets. The mixture of mature cricketers and promising young players saw a few good wins by this team, but they finished in the bottom half of the table.

Richard Marsh's "Marsh Flies" were successful in the Super 8's final.



DAPTO CRICKET CLUB INC. – 2002/03 2ND GRADE ONE DAY FINALISTS AND RUNNERS UP
 BACK: S.EPE, J.CAMPBELL, C.SARTORI, H.MCKAY, P.FARRANCE, T.REDMAN
 FRONT: R.PAYNE, C.GEORGIOU, A.O'DONNELL, T.JENSEN ©, A.BARNES, B.HAINES

2003-2004

PRESIDENT	S.O'DONNELL	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	S.DAVIES
SECRETARY	R.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	T.JENSEN
TREASURER	M.BARNES	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH
COACH	S.DAVIES	4 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	M.MILDENHALL
		4 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	A.STEVENSON

Steve Davies followed on from the previous season and continued in the role of captain/coach.

First grade again were disappointing with some good performances followed by inconsistency and missed the finals. Phil Bernie was the leading batsman with 300 runs, while Scott Tutton bowling well to take 32 wickets.

2nd grade were again led by Troy Jensen. They also missed the semi-finals with Troy Redman scooping the pool with all the team awards. Mark Simula also bowled well after joining the club this season.

3rd grade were captained most frequently by Ross Hawksworth. They finished one win from the semi-finals after an improved second half of the season. Matthew Head played a few games when his NRL commitments with the Dragons allowed him to play and scored 300 runs, which included a century against Wests. Brett Hayman was the leading bowler with 22 wickets.

Fourth Grade continued to become a growth area for the club with a second team being formed in this grade.

The 'A' team became known as the 'Sinners' as the members were those who may have experienced the 'darker' side of life. Merrick Mildenhall again captained the team and achieved 530 runs to lead from the front. Leading bowler was new player Jaimes Adlington with 28 wickets, which included a hat trick, while Dave McClure performed well with both bat and ball. The Sinners reached the Plate Semi Finals.

The 'B' team became the 'Saints' as good Christian lads made up the bulk of this team. Andrew Stevenson returned to his junior club to lead this team. Brian Lane led the way with 437 runs during the season, while Shannon Goodridge won the bowling award with 22 wickets. Paul McPhail and Andrew also had good seasons. The team were beaten in the semi-finals by the eventual winners University.

Troy Jensen's team were successful in the Super 8's and the under 16A team captained by Harry Bown and coached by Ross Hawksworth and Brad Haines won the combined competition defeating Balgownie in the final.



2004-2005

PRESIDENT	J.BOWN	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	G.JONES
SECRETARY	S.EPE	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	A.O'DONNELL
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	D.FENNELL
COACH	G.JONES	4 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	M.MILDENHALL
		4 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	A.STEVENSON

The 2004 annual general meeting saw a new committee structure introduced with a flatter hierarchy and sub committees operating in specific areas.

The playing subcommittee led by Richard Marsh started a recruiting drive to try and attract quality players to the club. After some early promise the end result was that no quality players came to the club and unfortunately some of the most promising younger players chose to leave the club for varying reasons.

Ultimately 1st grade were led by Greg Jones, who had a good all round season. Steve Davies scored 330 runs to be the leading batsman and Troy Redman was the leading bowler with 25 wickets. Brad Young received the Player's Player award in the team.

2nd grade led by Adrian O'Donnell qualified for the semis and in fact won the semi-final on the first day but let Wests back into the game and lost outright. Brad Haines was the leading batsman with only 220 runs, which is an indication of how the team struggled to mount good scores with the bat. Adam Barnes performed well to take 20 wickets while former Hawks' basketballer Matt Flinn returned to his first sporting love of cricket and was the Player's Player.

3rd grade struggled all season and finished with the wooden spoon. New player Troy Bonnitcha was the leading batsman with 159 runs while Pat Hutley took 14 wickets.

4th grade A, the Sinners, played well all season and after winning the semi-final by nine wickets down put up a good show in the final to go down by only five wickets.

Merrick Mildenhall was the leading batsman with 406 runs and Phil Holmes took 40 wickets. Dave Smith was the MVP/ Player's Player. 4th Grade B, the Saints, were defeated in the Plate final. Mark Edwards scored 580 runs and Tua Tomoare took 31 wickets to win the team awards.



4th GRADE 'A' – THE SINNERS – RUNNERS UP 2004/05

BACK : J.ADLINGTON, D.MCLURE, D.SMITH, P.HOLMES, C.COVINGTON

MIDDLE: B.BUCHHOLZ, T.NELSON, K.CULLEN

FRONT: R.HAWKSWORTH, M.MILDENHALL, S.MCNALLY, M.CRANE

2005-2006

PRESIDENT	M.MILDENHALL	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	S.COX
SECRETARY	M.SIMULA	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	M.SIMULA
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	P.SUNSHINE
COACH	P.FERGUSON	4 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	D.SMITH
		4 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	A.STEVENSON

The Playing Sub Committee formed a recruiting committee. This committee became active before the end of the 04/05 and had an early win by signing South Coast rep. all-rounder Scott Cox for three seasons. Further work looking to sign a quality coach led to well-known coach Peter Ferguson joining the club.

With the Finance Committee raising funds to enable the first grade team to be paid a win bonus and the Communications Committee instituting a Code of Conduct for the membership there was plenty of optimism for the season ahead.

First grade got off to a great start winning five of the first six games. A mid-season slump was followed by a strong finish into equal 4th place, missing out of the finals on percentages.

The batting was led by Richard Marsh, who scored his maiden 1st grade century. Brad Young and Steve Davies also batted well at times and Joel Brockley made his 1st grade debut aged 15.

Scott Cox had a marvellous season with 55 wickets with Tomi Bozinovski taking 25. Troy Redman also supplied a five wicket innings.

2nd grade were led by Mark Simula. They had an inconsistent season with some good wins and ordinary losses. Nobody really performed well with the bat and Mark bowled many long spells supported by Adrian O'Donnell.

3rd grade were captained by Paul Sunshine. They played with great spirit and team unity although they struggled against tough opposition for most of the season. The best batting performances came from Bob Bailey and Wayne Paton, with Wayne and Pat Hutley the best performed bowlers.

4th grade A, 'the Sinners', were captained mainly by David Smith. They played consistently all season and finished in second place before playing two great finals against the best two University teams. After trouncing the Whites in a lopsided semi-final the Sinners triumphed against the Golds in the final, a tremendous victory by a team of mature cricketers.

The batting was led by Chris Covington, Ross Hawksworth and David Smith, with Scott McNally, Mick Crane and Mark Pearson also scoring well at times. Troy Nelson was the leading bowler with the old reliable Dave McClure and Phil Holmes doing the business when it counted. Brendan Rice and Jaimes Adlington also bowled well during the season.



4th grade B were captained mainly by Andrew Stevenson. After a solid season where they were in the top four most of the season, but a couple of costly losses saw them drop into fifth spot and a place in the Plate playoffs. They were again defeated in the Plate final. Andrew Stevenson led the side with a strong all round performance supported by Mark Edwards and Greg Morris.

In August 2006 the club returned to cricket touring for the first time since 1983. A group of seven players and five partners embarked on a two week tour to the U.S.A and Canada with the main focus being participation in the Victoria International Six a Side Festival at Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

The team finished the competition in third position after being defeated in the semi-finals. The batting was led by Richard Marsh, who was awarded the batsman of the tournament for his 463 runs.

Chris Georgiou and Ross Hawksworth also batted well. Mark Simula and Greg Jones bowled well, while Wayne Walters was his usual entertaining self with some help from Shaun Epe. The highlight of the trip was the camaraderie amongst the team and the popularity of the group with the local hosts and the other touring teams. The true value of touring is found in the friendships made with fellow cricketers from all over the world.



VISAS TOURING TEAM 2006 BACK: WAYNE WALTERS, GREG JONES, ROSS HAWKSWORTH. FRONT: MARK SIMULA, CHRIS GEORGIOU, RICHARD MARSH, SHAUN EPE

2006-2007

PRESIDENT	J.HURD	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	A.STEVENSON
SECRETARY	M.SIMULA	4 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	J.ADLINGTON
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	4 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	J.COOMBES
COACH	M.FLINN/ P.FERGUSON	4 TH GRADE C CAPTAIN	B.MAGENNIS/ T.NELSON
1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	S.COX	4 TH GRADE D CAPTAIN	R.BAILEY
2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	W.FORREST		

The 150th season in the history of the club.

A change in the Playing Sub Committee structure was made in the off season with Matt Flinn becoming Training coordinator and Peter Ferguson assuming a less active role as Technical Director. The major recruit to the club this season was South Coast colts' rep Hayden Horne, but there was an influx of keen lower graders which led to the club having four 4th grade teams, with a total of 118 players donning the big canary shirt during the season.

First grade again got off to a great start winning 3 of the first 4 games. A mid-season slump was followed by a poor finish, missing out of the finals on yet again. Leading batsman was Hayden Horne with 316 Runs @ 26.33. Scott Cox was the leading bowler with 35 Wickets @ 17.22, also winning the Players' Player (PP), MVP and the Bob Hazelton award for Player of the year in the club.

2nd grade also had a mixed season and missed the finals. Batting award winners was Brent Dawson with 392 runs @ 24.5. Top bowlers were Adam Barnes with 37 wickets @10.66 and Wally Forrest 44 wickets@13.55. Walter was also the PP.

3rd grade batting award winner was Jason 'Bozo" Fulton with 701 runs @ 38.94. Greg Flack best bowler with 42 wickets @ 10.57. Greg was also PP and MVP.

4th grade A was basically the Sinners squad with the team making the top 4 but eliminated in the semifinals by a massive storm. Tony Curran scored 362 runs at 40.22 to take out the batting average while Ross Hawksworth scored 502 runs to collect the aggregate and the PP and MVP. Jaimes Adlington collected the bowling award with 26 wkts @ 19.8.

4th grade B was the Dandaloo 'Piggies' group, led with the bat by Ricky Clarke 492 runs @ 61.50. Troy Fleming collecting 28 wkts@15.8. Ricky also winning the PP/MVP awards'.

4th grade C batting award was won by Chris 'no more' Betts 543 runs @ 33.94. Also, the MVP winner. Jaryd Gillen 20 wkts@ 21.8 best bowler and Troy Nelson PP.

4th grade D was the later added team and this proved to be a good choice with the bulk of this team going on to be stalwarts for the club over the next 10 or so seasons. Batting award winner was Cameron 'Chicken' King with 357 runs @ 29.75, also winning PP. Patrick Hutley 23 wkts@20.3 and Tim Letterman 21wkts and 16.8 shared bowling honours while Troy 'Bakoid' Bonnitcha was the MVP.

January 26th 2007 Past vs Present game was played at Reed Park North. A lot of club legends attended. This photo L to R Troy Jensen, Scott Cox, Adam Barnes, Tomi Bozinovski & Adrian O'Donnell



Below L to R Ross Hawksworth, Alan Hayes, Richard Marsh, Ray Morris, John Jaffrey, Greg Evans, Jeff Hurd.





The O'Donnell Clan:- Shannon, Hunter, Emily, Tony and Brandon (our current groundsman!)

January 27th 2007, 150th Dinner @ DLC, Doug Walters and Steve Rixon were the guest speakers.



Committee of the Century awardees: -
Alan Hayes,
Mike Carr,
(Alan)Swan,
Mick Clark.
Ross Hawksworth and Doug Walters



Team of the Century Inductees: -

L to R back. Shannon O'Donnell, Bill Moffat, Stephen Davies, Trevor (Trent) Jonhston, Neal Schofield, Colin Pitt, Bob Fox, Ray Morris. Front Neville (Max) Hurry, Ron Kerridge.



L to R :- Jeff Hurd, Peter Ferguson, Steve Rixon, Doug Walters, Stephen Davies



L to R :- Neal Schofield, Wayne Walters, Trevor Johnston, Alan Hayes, Peter Dimond, Gordon Turner

PRESIDENT	J. HURD	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	A. STEVENSON
SECRETARY	A. STEVENSON	4 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	J. ADLINGTON
TREASURER	R. HAWKSWORTH	4 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	
COACH	S. DAVIES	4 TH GRADE C CAPTAIN	
1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	S. COX		
2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	W. FORREST		

1st grade strong side with Aaron Hickson returning, Nathan Dufty and Joel Nupier joining the club. Never quite got it together as a team and missed the finals narrowly. Greg Jones winning the batting award with 308 runs @ 25.67. Nathan Dufty 24 wkts@13.83 and Greg Wray 28 wkts@15.1 were the top bowlers.

2nd grade had a good season and were rewarded with the one-day championship with a narrow win over Balgownie. Jeff Hurd took out the batting award with 268 runs @ 24.36. Adam Barnes 28 wickets @ 9.61 was the leading bowler and Wally Forrest won the PP award. The Players' Player award for 2nd grade was renamed the Steve Harris award in remembrance of the late Steve Harris. 'H' passed away after a long battle with cancer (Melanoma) and is best remembered and respected by his teammates as a fiery competitor and great teammate.

3rd grade saw Harry Bown 258 runs @ 36.9 and Andrew Stevenson 276 runs @ 27.6 as the leading batters. They also led the bowling, Andrew 35 wkts @ 11.91 and Harry 24 wkts @ 7.5. Pat Hutley the PP. Bob Hazelton award winner was Andrew Stevenson

4th grade A batting award winners Cameron King 412 runs @ 29.43 and Jayce Chandler 429 runs @ 25.24. Chicken also collecting 34wkts @ 11.9 and the PP award.

4th grade B saw Kerry Bright score 302 runs @ 50.33 and PP award. Troy Fleming 31 wkts @ 12.6 and Scott Tozer 25wkts @ 10.1 the leading bowlers.

4th grade C leading better was Tony Curran 295 runs @ 29.5. Jaimes Adlington 22wkts @ 16.23 leading bowler and Tony took out the PP award.

Mike Carr and Paul Sunshine inducted as a Life Members.



1st Grade 2007/08:- Back Joel Nupier, Tomi Bozinovski, Greg Wray, Greg Jones, Danny Belo.
Front: - Hayden Horne, Richard Marsh, Brad Young, Aaron Hickson, Nathan Dufty, Adam Barnes

2008/09

PRESIDENT	J.HURD	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	A.STEVENSON
SECRETARY	A.STEVENSON	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	R.BAILEY
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	5 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	D.SUMNER
COACH	S.DAVIES	5 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	R.CLARK
1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	R.MARSH	5 TH GRADE C CAPTAIN	N.HARDY
2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	J.HURD		

1st grade won the one-day competition, 2nd grade runners up in both forms, 3rd grade semi finalists in both forms as well. Club champions for first time since 87/88. Major recruit this season Kyle Connor. 5th grade team led by Dean Sumner were premiers defeating the Dandaloo based side. Runners up at VISAS in Victoria BC Canada in the preseason. Richard Marsh scoring a century at the tournament and then following this up with a t20 century during the season.



1st grade limited overs winners. Back L to R:- Adam Johnston (sub), Kyle Connor, Danny Belo, Troy Gasseling, Jason Fulton, Tomi Bozinovski, Greg Jones

Front L to R Scott Cox, Stephen Davies, Brent Dawson, Richard Marsh, Adrian O'Donnell

The 1st grade batting awards went to Jason Fulton 391 runs @ 27.93 and Richard Marsh 379 runs @ 37.9. Scott Cox bowled well to an award for 35 wickets @ 11.97. Kyle Connor awarded the PP.

2nd grade were carried by Greg Wray with his 688 runs@ 49.14 and 58 wickets @ 9.36 as well as collecting the PP award for 2nd grade.

3rd grade award winners were Brian Lane 376 runs@ 53.71, Stephen Brown 30 wickets @ 13.20 and Patrick Hutley 29 wickets at 12.66. Adam Kirkland was PP.

4th grade award performers were Jayce Chandler with 595 runs @ 31.32 and Cameron King 40 wickets @ 13.85. Cameron also winning the PP award. The Players' Player award for 4th grade is now known as the JP Annesley Award in remembrance of Jean Paul Annesley, who tragically passed away at age 38 due to a heart condition during an indoor cricket game. JP was a popular member of the lower grade teams from 2004 until his passing and coined the phrase 'Dead Cow Bingo' to describe the Friday Raffle at DLC.

Three 5th grade teams battled it out with some very good players spread across these teams.

The Gold team were the 'Dandy' team with Kerry Bright scoring 238 runs @ 39.67, Scott Tozer 40 wickets @ 9.3.

The Blues were basically the 'League' team with Mark Kirkland scoring 477 runs @ 53 to win the batting award. Ben Mulcahy taking 37 wickets @ 8.97 and Dean Callaway the PP winner. This team won the 5th grade title for the season.

The White team were the 'Soccer' tea. Mitchell O'Donnell scored 429 runs @ 61.2 to win the batting award while the bowling award was contested by Kyle Triffitt 22 wickets and Aaron Mills 21 wickets @ 10.86. Millsy won the PP as well.



2008/09 5th Grade Premiers:- Back L to R:- Ben Mulcahy, Michael Sharman, Brett Kirkland, Daniel Lawler, Mark Kirkland, Dean Callaway, Matthew Head, Peter Sumner, Brendan Kirkland.

Front:- Mede Cuttill, Damien Dalbon, Wayne Mulcahy, Trevor Johnston, Dean Sumner.

2009/10

PRESIDENT	S.COX/H.BOWN	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	A.STEVENSON
SECRETARY	A.STEVENSON	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	C.KING
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	5 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	D.SUMNER
COACH	S.DAVIES	5 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	K.BRIGHT
1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	K.CONNOR	5 TH GRADE C CAPTAIN	N.HARDY
2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	A.O'DONNELL	5 TH GRADE D CAPTAIN	S.RYAN

1st grade premiers in the two day format, 3rd grade semi-finalists in both. 4th grade runners up in their competition, 5th grade led by Dean Sumner defeated the 'Soccer' boys in the final. Dale Scifleet and Michael Stephenson joined the club.



Dapto Cricket Club Inc. Illawarra 1st Grade Premiers 2009/10.

Back Row:- Richard Marsh, Aaron Hickson, Scott Sharman, Dale Scifleet, Harry Bown, Kyle Connor (C).

Front Row:- Greg Wray, Greg Jones, Michael Stephenson, Stephen Davies (Coach), Tomi Bozinovski.

This was the first season of the MyCricket website.

First grade inflicted a heavy defeat upon Balgownie in the final. Balgownie were bowled out for 150 on the first day, Tomi Bozinovski taking 5-45. Dapto passed the total 3 wickets down and when the game was called off were 4-183. Harry Bown 64 and Aaron Hickson 68 top scoring. Big night of celebration followed at DLC

	Dapto	Balgownie	
GF	27 Mar 10	4/183 A Hickson 68 H Bown 64 M Toussis def 150 J Lehane 59 T Bozinovski 5/45	North Dalton
	28 Mar 10	2/29 G Wray 2/18 DG Scifleet 2/40	

Aaron won the batting award with 606 runs @ 55.09. Tomi Bozinovski taking 45 wickets @ 12.69 and Greg Wray 43 wickets @ 11.30 the leading wicket takers. Tomi also won the PP for the team.

2nd grade finished 7th, Adrian O'Donnell 225 runs @22.5 and Troy Gasseling 205 runs @ 34.17 the leading batters. Shannon O'Donnell taking 23 wickets@ 12.91 to win the bowling award and collecting the PP award as well.

3rd grade finished in the top 4 for both formats of the competitions, losing the final of the one-day competition and semi-final in the 2 day competition. David Hicks scoring 273 runs @ 30.33 and Mark Pearson 405 runs @ 28.93 the batting mainstays. Andrew Stevenson enticing 28 wickets @ 13.11 with Pearson winning the PP.

4th grade finished 2nd in the competition and lost to University in the final.

University	Dapto	Figtree 2
GF 27 Mar 10 7/243(cc) DD Low 121* L Sweatman 48 R Irvine 25 C King 2/34	def 123 RA Hawksworth 41 R Hardy 27 S Gillespie 5/26 VA Kosiak 3/22	

Jayce Chandler had a strong season with 508 runs @ 29.88 and Daniel Sulcs belted out 420 runs @ 32.31. Cameron King 27 wickets @ 18.85 and Pat Hutley 25 wicket @ 16.44 the leading wicket takers. Chicken again taking out the PP award.

Four 5th grade teams, cricket was popular back in these days!

In the end the Blue team were successful in winning the title this season over the White team in the final.

Dapto Blue	Dapto White
GF 27 Mar 10 5/121 D Callaway 40 G Flack 27* L Niceforo 2/14	def 120 K Trifitt 28 M Cuttill 3/14 B Mulcahy Dalton - South 3/50 G Flack 2/15

Dean Callaway had a big season with 636 runs @ 48.92 to secure the batting award for the Blues. Greg Flack also scoring 406 runs @ 50.75. Mede Cuttill 28 wickets @ 4.29 winning the bowling award. Deano winning the PP award for the team.

The White team again world game based, Nick Hardy had a great season with 664 runs@ 51.08 and 27 wickets @ 9.81. Aaron Mills taking 37 wickets @ 9.95. Ross Fowler the PP award winner.

The Gold team was the Dandy side, David Smith of the sinners came back with 277 runs @ 25.18 and Scott Tozer had a strong season with 252 runs @ 28 and 31 wickets @ 10.1 Kerry Bright the PP award winner. They lost to the White team in the semi finals.

The Red team finished out of the top four. Steve Ryan scoring 278 runs @ 19.86, Sean Haigh 22 wickets @ 9.45 and Ryan Anderson was the PP.



4th Grade Runners up
2009/10 Back L to R:-
Matt Mallon, Adam
Naylor, Russell Hardy,
Jayce Chandler, Cameron
King, Brant Gillen. Front
Joshua Sigmond, Daniel
Sulcs, Pat Hutley, Ross
Hawksworth

2010/11

PRESIDENT	G.JONES	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	A.STEVENSON
SECRETARY	A.STEVENSON	4 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	C.KING
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	4 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	S.BROWN
COACH	S.DAVIES	4 TH GRADE C CAPTAIN	S.RYAN
1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	K.CONNOR		
2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	S.DAVIES		

The Club Constitution was amended at the AGM before this season with the Operations subcommittee abolished to allow the new Junior subcommittee to be created, with the VP of Juniors as the chair. This brought the junior subcommittee into direct alignment with the club structure, with VP juniors in charge of the junior structure.



Dapto Cricket Club Inc. Illawarra 1st Grade Premiers 2010/11.

Back Row:- Chris Georgiou, Greg Jones, Tomi Bozinovski, Jason Fulton, Richard Marsh, Troy Gasseling, Brad Young, Scott Sharman, Greg Wray.

Front Row:- Stephen Davies (Coach), Dale Scifleet, Michael Stephenson, Aaron Hickson, Kyle Connor (C).

1st grade premiers in the two-day competition with the final washed out late on day 2. Dapto were 7/122 chasing 291 so it was lucky that we had finished higher on the ladder than University. Semi-finalists in one day competition. Aaron Hickson 457 runs @ 45.7 collected the batting award and the PP award. Tomi Bozinovski 30 wickets @ 17.37 and

Greg Wray 28 wickets @ 12.89 the best performed bowlers.

University			
GF	26 Mar 11	Dapto	7/291 K Miller 96* A Balgi
	27 Mar 11	7/122 A Hickson 56 M Stephenson	drew 56 W Livermore 45 DA Murphy
		38 R Sykes 4/38 G Stinson 2/19	35 G Stinson 33 G Wray 3/76
			T Bozinovski 2/80
			North Dalton

Brad Young set a club record with a blistering 180 vs Berry Shoalhaven Heads in the SCG Cup. Also, the team reached semi-final stage of SCG Cup, beaten by Tamworth at Gosford. December.

Dapto CC			
Tamworth DCA			
SF	29 Dec 10	4/264(cc) SJ Norvill 122 AJ Flaherty	187 A Hickson 77 M Stephenson
		51* J Cook 38 AT Lole 36 G Wray 2/36	27 M Power 3/44 T Kensell 2/21
			BG Reynolds 2/30
			Mt Penang Oval

2nd grade semi-finalists in two day but game washed out without a ball bowled, lost in the one day final. Stephen Davies had a great season with the bat in winning the district averages with 395 runs @ 43.98. Cameron Magennis playing most of the season in the side as wicket keeper. Shannon O'Donnell collecting 45 wickets @ 10.4 in a Player's Player award winning season. Wayne Paton became the first player in club history to take all ten wickets in an innings against Keira after receiving a last-minute call up from 3rd grade.

Dapto			
Northern Districts			
GF1	13 Feb 11	7/139 L Turner 38* T Gasseling 2/13	9/150(cc) S Davies 54 T Jensen
		T Jensen 2/27	28 J Wilson 3/28 J Robinson 2/17
			Keira Village
			MS Doig 2/27

3rd grade runners up in two-day competition and semi-finalist in one day comp. Andrew Stevenson capped a good season with the bat with a century against University in the last round, taking advantage of being dropped on zero. He scored 475 runs @ 29.69 with Mark Pearson 361 runs @ 32.82. Chris Covington won the district bowling award with his 39 wickets @ 7.44, well supported by youngsters Kieran Doyle and Joel Hawksworth. Stevo winning the PP award.



3rd grade grand final team Back L to R: - Jake Ramirez, Zac Doyle, Dave Smith, Mark Pearson, Matt Cherry, Chris Covington. Front: - Shaun Epe, Andrew Stevenson, Joel Hawksworth, Keiran Doyle, Ross Hawksworth
4th grade Dandaloo team were minor premiers and premiers, Blue team finished 4th but the semi final was washed out, red team finished 9th.

Ricky Clark 425 runs @ 30.36 and Kerry Bright 396 runs @ 33 had heavy run scoring seasons while Stephen Brown won the man of the match award in the final with 50 and 4 wickets. He also scored a century and took a hat trick during the season. Scott Tozer 41 wickets @ 10.22 was dangerous with the ball and collected the PP award.

Daniel Sulcs scored 474 runs @ 36.46 for the Blues with Jayce Chandler and Ross Hawksworth scored well for the Blue team with Daniel's 118 against Keira a highlight. Joshua Sigmund bowled with great flight to take out the bowling award with 29 wickets while Pat Hutley and Russ Hardy bowled well too. Russ winning the player's player for the team.

Will Lucas had a strong season with the bat for the Red team with 348 runs @ 34.8, supported by Steve McLean. Sean Haigh had a good all-round season as player's player while Aaron 'Champ' Mooney topped 30 wickets @ 16.27.

Also, achieved Runners up at VISAS Canada for 2nd time in the preseason trip.



Dapto VISAS 2010 Squad Back L to R:- Greg Jones, Dale Scifleet, Dean Hayman, Brad Young, Brett Hayman.
Front:- Wayne Walters, Joel Hawksworth, Mark Simula, Richard Marsh, Ross Hawksworth

2011/12

PRESIDENT	G.JONES	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	A.STEVENSON
SECRETARY	A.STEVENSON	4 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	S.SIGMOND
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	4 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	S.BROWN
COACH	S.DAVIES		
1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	T.BOZINOVSKI		
2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	W.PATON		

Without doubt the wettest summer in over 30 years with 7 playing days washed out. This played havoc with all teams and cost at least one team a semi final berth.

1st grade were captained by Tomi Bozinovski after Kyle Connor stepped down. They finished 5th on the ladder and first on the one-day table, eventually losing the final to Helensburgh.

	Dapto		Helensburgh	
GF1 22 Jan 12	87 AO Northridge 2/7 LD Falkiner 2/12	def by	155 BC Marcianite 43 SD Blissenden	North Dalton
	BC Marcianite 2/20		35 G Wray 3/28 DG Scifleet 2/17	

Dale Scifleet was awarded the Bob Hazelton award as player of the year after winning the batting award with 282 runs @ 28.2, the bowling award with 24 wickets @ 9 and PP award and being a strong performer in the country championship winning Illawarra team. Michael Stephenson also contributed with the bat, as did Brad Young and Chris Georgiou.



1st grade one day finalists Back L to R:- Greg Wray, Dale Scifleet, Greg Jones Chris Georgiou, Aaron Hickson, Troy Gasseling, Kyle Connor. Front:- Stephen Davies, Richard Marsh, Brad Young, Michael Stephenson, Tomi Bozinovski, Ben Chapman.

2nd grade started off with Greg Jones as captain but as selection and availability came to the fore Wayne Paton took over. They finished 2nd last on the ladder. Mark Pearson had a good season with the bat with 212 runs @ 19.27 and was PP. Wayne was leading bowler with 12 wickets @ 16.25, supported by Kieran Doyle. Shannon O'Donnell started well but injury took it's toll.

3rd grade started out well with Ross Hawksworth as captain. Wet weather and availability saw Wayne Paton take over, but selection issues meant Wayne went to 2nd grade and Ross took over again. This side had some good wins against teams higher on the ladder but dropped games against some lower sides, which ultimately cost a semi-final spot, finishing 6th. Jayce Chandler scored well with 274 runs @ 27.4, supported by Ross Hawksworth and Wayne Paton. Pat Hutley bowled well with 13 wickets @ 14.46, supported by Joel Hawksworth and Cameron King.

4th Grade Gold the Dandaloo 'Piggies' went back-to-back with victory over Wests in the final. Gavin Chapman had an outstanding season with the bat, scoring 575 runs @ 71.88. Scott Tozer the leading bowler with 27 wickets @ 11.48.

	Wests Illawarra Blue		Dapto Gold	
GF 31 Mar 12	8/165(cc) K Irlam 26 S Brown 3/26 S Tozer 2/22 G Chapman 2/27	def by	7/166 G Chapman 85* AJ Turton-Peet 2/28 GJ Webster 2/44	Figtree 2

4th Grade blue was captained by Scott Sigmund and finished in 17th. Rob Corneteg had an outstanding comeback season with bat and ball with 158 runs @ 15.8, Josh Sigmund also bowling well to take out the award with 16 wickets @ 16.31. Rob winning the PP award.



First game of the season that was very wet.

2012/13

PRESIDENT	G.JONES	2 ND GRADE C	W.PATON
SECRETARY	A.STEVENSON	3 RD GRADE C	C.KING
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	4 TH GRADE A CAPTAIN	S.SIGMOND
COACH	S.DAVIES	4 TH GRADE B CAPTAIN	S.BROWN
1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	M.STEPHENSON		

Dale Scifleet took over as assistant club coach and gained selection in the NSW country team as well.

First Grade finished 5th on the ladder.

Dale had a strong all-round season with 359 runs @ 44.88, 35 wickets @ 10.63 and received the Bob Hazelton award on Dale's trophy night. Richard Marsh also had a good season with the bat.

Patrick Hammond took 28 wickets in 1st grade as well.

2nd grade finished last on the ladder. Jeff Hurd took out the batting award with 174 runs @ 17.4. Mark 'Bubbles' Bright claimed 14 wickets @ 18.57 to collect the bowling award. PP was Jake Harman.

3rd grade finished 6th on the table. Jayce Chandler again the leading batsman with 452 runs @ 28.25. Chicken King and Bakoid Bonnitcha shared the bowling honours with 31 wickets @ 16.9 and 25 wickets @ 13.12 respectively. Jayce was PP.

In 4th grade the Gold team (Dandaloo) finished 4th and the Blue (club) team 16th. An unfortunate misunderstanding over the qualification rules to play in the semi finals saw the Gold team eliminated after qualifying for the grand final. Ricky Clarke 323 runs @ 26.92 and Jon Cazelet-Smith 341 @ 26.23 shared the batting awards. Scott Tozer took 20 wickets @ 15.30 and Kerry Bright was PP award winner.

Blues awards were collected by Scott Sigmond winning the batting award with 251 runs @ 22.82. Jacob Podmore 13 wickets @ 22.38 and Scott Sigmond 12 wickets @ 16.75 shared the bowling awards and Josh Sigmond was the PP award winner.

Also, achieved Runners up at VISAS Canada for 3rd time in the preseason trip.



Dapto VISAS 2012 squad Back L to R:- Damian Grant, Wayne Walters, Ross Hawksworth, Brett Hayman
Front:- Greg Jones, Richard Marsh, Dale Scifleet.

2013/14

PRESIDENT	G.JONES	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	M.STEPHENSON
SECRETARY	R.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	K.CONNOR
TREASURER	M.PEARSON	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	T.BONNITCHA
COACH	D.SCIFLEET	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH

The committee decided early on in its tenure that the club would only have four teams for this season, for ease of player management and as a tool to pressure the membership to pay their fees on time. So the Dandaloo based team exited to play at Port Kembla.

Dale Scifleet took over as club coach and gained selection in the NSW country team again.

First grade was again led by Michael Stephenson and finished 3rd on the ladder and were eliminated by Keira in the semi-final.

		Dapto	Keira	
SF	22 Mar 14	134 R Marsh 63 L Bendall-Moon 4/17	def 9/297(cc) J Cook 83 D Murphy	
	23 Mar 14	J Cook 3/47 N Bell 2/24	by 79 GA Batty 50 P Hammond 5/46	Figtree 1
			DG Scifleet 3/102	

Richard Marsh was the leading batsman with 440 runs @ 40. Dale Scifleet taking 29 wickets @ 15.41 and also taking home the PP award.

Second grade were captained by Kyle Connor, who took on the role to pursue the development of younger players. This team made it into the semi-finals in 2nd place but were defeated in the semi.

		University	Dapto	
SF	22 Mar 14	237 KJ Majoor 125 R Verma	def 152 M Pearson 47 J Hurd	
	23 Mar 14	30 K Connor 6/67 T Driscoll 2/27	43 S Thompson 3/29 KJ Majoor 3/34	Keira Village
			D Henderson 2/25	

Jason 'Bozo' Fulton winning the batting award with 432 runs @ 39.27. Bowling award went to Kyle Connor with 23 wickets @ 15.22 and Colin Edwards 21 wickets @ 14.05. Wayne Paton was the PP award winner.

Third grade had an interesting season with some variable batting efforts during the season leading to them scraping into 4th place by 1 point. A rare win on run rate saw them make it thru to the final where they lost to Wests by 5 wickets.

		Dapto	Wests Illawarra	
GF	29 Mar 14	121 J Chandler 64 D Hassan 3/13	def 5/124 JR Muir 52 BR Lattin	
		PJ Murphy 3/29 TR Barrett 2/17	by 29 JA Harman 2/11 J Sigmond 2/33	Keira Village
		LJ Manton 2/28		

They also played in the T20 semi but lost to Wollongong.

		Dapto	def Wollongong	
SF	19 Jan 14	91 NP Chauhan 3/7 AM Newbold 2/8	by 8/93 AM Stevenson 3/13 P Hutley 2/14	Reed - North
		MC Meharg 2/15 BM Giddings 2/18		

Troy Bonnitcha was captain and led from the front with 285 runs @ 25.91. Jayce Chandler 352 runs @ 22 shared the batting award. Pat Hutley took 27 wickets @ 15.22 in an award winning effort and Troy took home the PP gong.

4th grade was captained by Ross Hawksworth. The team finished 7th and were beaten in the quarter finals by the Port Kembla based Dandaloo franchise... Ross won the batting award with 587 runs @ 41.93 and collected the PP award. Scott Sigmond claimed 29 wickets @ 9.38 to collect the bowling award.

2014/15

PRESIDENT	G.JONES	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	D.SCIFLEET
SECRETARY	MRS B CANN	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	W.PATON
TREASURER	B.HARVEY	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	T.BONNITCHA
COACH	D.SCIFLEET	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH

Dale Scifleet continued as club coach and captained First grade. The team finished 6th on the table.

Dale was the leading batsman with 440 runs @ 44, supported by Richard Marsh, Greg Jones and Chris Georgiou. Kendrick Hatton was leading wicket taker and took 7 wickets on debut in round 1. All up 36 wickets @ 12.89. Patrick Hammond also had a strong season bowling and won the PP award.

Second grade were captained by Wayne Paton and ended up in 5th place on the ladder. Wayne scoring 442 runs @ 31.57 and taking 36 wickets @ 9.63 in a PP award winning season. Shannon O'Donnell had a resurgence this season and took his 700th wicket for the club in all grades again Helensburgh.

Third grade had an interesting season with variable batting efforts leading to them finishing 6th. Troy Bonnitcha was captain and led from the front again with wickets and runs leading to winning the PP award. Jayce Chandler 203 runs @ 16.92 winning the batting award and Jamie 'Casso' Featherston taking 21 wickets @ 12.62.

4th grade was again captained by Ross Hawksworth,. The team finished 7th and missed the quarter finals by 1 point. Dean Callaway 369 runs @ 33.55 and Scott Sigmond 260 runs @ 37.29 sharing the batting awards. Daniel Madaschi 22 wickets @ 19.59 winning the bowling award and Ross Hawksworth was PP award winner, also passing 10000 runs for the club in the first game of the season against Red Scum.

A feature of this season was the strong performances of the u16 players who played grade during the season. Jye Phillips, Harry Magennis and Ryan Castles leading the way in 1st and 2nd grade. Kade Warrington, Dylan Welsh and Patrick Rees contributed in their games in 3rd and 4th grade.

The 14A, 14B and u11's all won their premierships with the u16a losing their final.

2015/16

PRESIDENT	G.JONES	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	C.GEORGIOU
SECRETARY	D.SCIFLEET	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	W.PATON/H.MAGENNIS
TREASURER	B.HARVEY	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH
COACH	D.SCIFLEET	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	M.HARRISON

Dale Scifleet continued as club coach.

First grade saw the recruitment of Ashan Wanagaratne to join the club and he had an outstanding season, scooping the pool of awards at Wanga's Trophy night with the PP award as well. Matt Brown also joined for the UK and had a mixed season. Ashan scored 291 runs @ 36.38, including a century against University. Kendrick Hatton taking 20 wickets @ 15.6.

Second grade were captained by Harry Magennis with guidance from Wayne Paton. Harry scored 278 runs @ 25.27 to take out the batting award. Wayne collected 16 wickets @ 16.56. PP was won by ?

Third grade finished 8th and was captained by Ross Hawksworth. Many stalwart players being unavailable or retiring during the season. Heavy reliance on youngsters this season. Jayce Chandler scoring 145 runs @ 24.17 and Patrick Hutley 13 wicket @ 9.5 to win the awards with Pat PP as well as collecting a hat trick and 300th wickets. Both left the club for career choices mid-season.

4th grade saw the return of the Dandaloo franchise to the club, finishing as minor premiers. They went all the way with victory in the grand finale.

University Blue	def Dapto Gold	Figtree 2
GF 19 Mar 16 69 A McGrath 4/12 S Brown 2/8 M Cuttill 2/12	by 4/70 S Brown 37* B Reid 2/27	

Stephen Brown scoring 398 runs @ 44.22 to win the batting award. Aaron McGrath 26 wickets @ 9.58 and Mede Cutill 25 wickets @ 8.80 the peak bowlers.

The other fourth grade team finished 11th. Chris Covington scored 255 runs @ 42.25 to claim batting honours. Curtis Faughlin took 22 wickets @ 11.73 for bowling award and Cov was the PP.

Trent Johnston inducted as a Life Member at the end of this season.



Life Members 2016 Presentation Dinner L to R Jeff Hurd, Jim Morris, Shannon O'Donnell, Stephen Davies, Trent Johnston, Ross Hawksworth, Wayne Walters (HLM) Michael Clark, Gordon Turner.

2016/17

PRESIDENT	D.SCIFLEET	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	D.SCIFLEET
SECRETARY	R.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	S.O'DONNELL
TREASURER	B.HARVEY	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	B.CURTIS
COACH		4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	M.HARRISON/S.BOND

1st grade finished 2nd on the ladder and qualified for the final with a washout. The final itself was a nailbiter with the lads prevailing by 19 runs.

GF	25 Mar 17	Balgownie		Dapto		
	26 Mar 17	109 C Brown 36 P Hammond 5/49	def	128 DG Scifleet 37 H Wanigaratne		North Dalton
		DG Scifleet 3/23	by	31 J Fleming 3/38 JK Bunyan 2/52		

Harry Magennis and Dale Scifleet were the batting award winners with 305 runs @ 30.50 and 261 runs @ 43.50 respectively. Pat Hammond collected 30 wickets @ 14.10 to win the bowling award and collected PP honours too.



1st grade Premiers 2016/17 Back L to R:- Colin Edwards, Chris Georgiou, Shannon Bonnie, Patrick Hammond, Richard Marsh, Brandon O'Donnell (12th). Front L to R:- Lleyton Callaway (13th), Ashan Wanagaratne, Blake Huard, Ben Chapman, Dale Scifleet, Jye Philips, Harry Magennis

Second Grade claimed the wooden spoon. Greg Jones scoring 265 runs @ 44.17 for the batting award win. Lleyton Callaway 12 wickets @ 16.08 winning the bowling award and Brandon O'Donnell was PP.

Third grade were 7th in the regular competition but went all the way with victory in the t20 competition.

GF 29 Jan 17	Northern Districts 95 SS Joubert 32 BC Curtis 6/18	def Dapto by 5/105(cc) BR Young 56 B Davis 3/15	North Dalton
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Mark Bright 333 runs @ 25.62 and Brad Young 280 runs @ 46.67 shared the batting honours, Brad also voted PP. Bob Curtis was the leading bowler with 21 wickets @ 17.00. 3rds were also graced by sporting royalty this season with legendary dual Rugby international Wendell Sailor playing a few games. His performance off the field at



Helensburgh was a sight to behold!

4th grade Gold finished third and advanced to the semi-final with a rain out. But the semi was washed out so they were eliminated. Steve Brown knocked up 344 runs @ 38.22 to claim batting honours. Thomas Berger 24 wickets @ 14.04 won the bowling award. 4th grade blue came 12th. Jamie Owens scoring 390 runs @ 78.00 to break the record in 4th grade, Scott Sigmond 18 wickets @ 14.61. Jamie also PP recipient.

Preseason saw the return of the VISAS Tournament to the calendar, defeated in the semi-finals.



Dapto 2016 VISAS Squad Back L to R:- Chris Georgiou, Geoff Benning, Wayne Walters, Adam Benning Dale Scifleet, Brett Hayman. Front Lucien Nel, Richard Marsh, Blake Millwood, Ross Hawksworth

2017/18

PRESIDENT	D.SCIFLEET	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	D.SCIFLEET
SECRETARY	R.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	S.O'DONNELL
TREASURER	B.HARVEY	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	B.CURTIS
COACH		4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	S.BOND

1st grade finished in equal 4th but missed the finals on quotient. Captained by Richard Marsh. Jye 'Meerkat' Philips 296 runs @ 29.6 and Dale Scifleet 280 runs @ 40 shared the batting awards. Pat Hammond the best bowler with 23 wickets @ 11.96. Jye was PP. They also had a successful run in the t20 competition, qualifying for the playoffs and going all the way with a win in the final.

SF	21 Jan 18	Helensburgh 5/131(cc) L James 68 M McCrae 25 P Hammond 2/13 LR Callaway 2/35	def Dapto by 4/132 JB Phillips 78*	Rex Jackson 1
GF	21 Jan 18	Balgownie 101 SB Bonnie 3/23 C Edwards 2/12 B Chapman 2/25	def Dapto by 4/102 JA Faughlin 32 J Fleming 2/26	North Dalton

2nd grade finished equal first (2nd on %). They lost in dismal fashion in the semi-final.

SF	10 Mar 18	Dapto	def Northern Districts	King George V
	11 Mar 18	75 GW Sismey 4/15 NP Riley 3/28	by 2/129 MA Cottom 54 L Clements 44*	

Tyler Warrington was the awarded batter with 373 runs @ 53.29. Brandon O'Donnell 26 wickets @ 18.69 was leading bowler and PP award winner. Adrian O'Donnell and Jayden Zahra – Smith scoring centuries during the season.

3rd grade also finished equal first (2nd on %). After a solid win in the semi-final they fell at the final hurdle.

SF	10 Mar 18	Dapto 6/145 A Owens 49 KJ Warrington 44 CJ Thorn 3/10 SA Maitland 2/41	def Wollongong 141 JB Cooper 49 D Buffoni 29 J Owens 2/4 KJ Doyle 2/18 C King 2/25 BC Curtis 2/31	Hollymount - East
GF	17 Mar 18	University 5/132 M Millar 83 KJ Doyle 4/20	def Dapto 131 A Owens 46 S Jancetic 3/35 SS Pathania 2/17 R Joyce 2/19 M Millar 2/24	King George V

Aaron Owens had a stellar debut season with the club, scoring 592 runs @ 49.33, taking 27 wickets @ 13.89 and winning the PP award. He also collected the Bob Hazelton award.

4th grade started out with 2 teams but the Dandaloo based team folded after 4 rounds. Shannon Bond captained the remaining team which finished 12th. Ross Hawksworth won the batting award with 284 runs @ 40.57, as well as the PP. Sean Findlay 14 wickets @ 14.71 the leading bowler.

2018/19

PRESIDENT	D.SCIFLEET	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	R.MARSH
SECRETARY	J.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	A.O'DONNELL
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	D.WELSH
COACH		4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	R.HAWKSWORTH

1st grade was captained by Jye Philips and finished 8th. Richard Marsh was the batting award winner with 303 runs @ 30.30. Pat Hammond winning the bowling award with 22 wickets @ 11.96. PP award went to ?

2nd grade were led by Adrian O'Donnell and finished 6th, also losing semi-finalists in the T20. Greg Jones scoring 252 runs @ 42 to claim batting award honours. He also claimed the bowling award with 18 wickets @ 13.33. Likely he also collected the PP award.

3rd grade had Dylan Welsh as captain this season and finished 7th. Dylan won the batting award with 400 runs @ 66.67. Brett Hayman highlighted with a 175 run innings vs Keira. Blake Ellul collected 11 wickets @ 15 to be the leading bowler.

4th grade started out this season with the Dandaloo franchise making up the bulk of the team. After a few games some key members were unable to continue and the team folded. After some scraping around for players a new team was formed with Ross Hawksworth as captain. The team ended up in 13th spot on the ladder. Ross took batting honours with 240 runs @ 26.67. Scott Sigmond took 8 wickets @ 13 and Les Sharpe was awarded PP. Preseason saw another trip to the VISAS Festival with defeat in the quarter finals.



VISAS 2018 Squad Back L to R:- Greg Jones, Richard Marsh, Aaron Owens, Dale Scifleet, Chris Georgiou, Brett Hayman
Front:- Kieran Doyle, Dylan Welsh, Dean 'Chopsy" Hayman, Lucien Nel, Ross Hawksworth

2019/20

PRESIDENT	D.SCIFLEET	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	J.PHILLIPS
SECRETARY	J.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	D.WELSH
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	A.O'DONNELL/R.HAWKSWORTH
COACH		4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	S.ORTON
		4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	S.BOND

First grade was captained again by Meerkat Philips, finished 8th but only one win out of 4th. Made it into the T20 playoffs but lost to NDs.

Jye had a great season with the bat scoring 486 runs @ 44.18, including 5 50s. Dale Scifleet taking 18 wickets @ 22.

200 club games for [Patrick Hammond](#), and 300 club games for Richard Marsh and Greg Jones. 500 club games by Ross Hawksworth also achieved. Great achievement guys.

SF	12 Jan 20	Northern Districts	Dapto	Hollymount -East
		3/102 LR Britt 61* DG Scifleet 2/3	def 101 JG Zahra-Smith 25 E Denhartog 4/17 NP Riley 3/16	

Second grade finished 6th on the ladder under the captaincy of Dylan Welsh. Kade Warrington scoring 311 runs @ 34.56 taking out the batting award. This included a mammoth 172no up at the Burgh. Tyler Warrington took 13 wickets @ 13.15 and Pat Hammond 11 wickets @ 10.27 sharing bowling honours. PP went to Kade Warrington. Third grade were captained initially by Adrian O'Donnell until he stepped down and Ross Hawksworth took over. They finished 8th. Adrian collected the batting award with 237 runs @ 23.70. Bowling award winner was Mark Simula with 18 wickets at 15.61.

We had 2 fourth grade teams this season. Gold finished 13th, Blue 14th. The Gold were captained by Steve Orton and Matthew Harrison was the leading batter with 240 runs @ 30. Bakoid took 11 wickets @ 12.27. PP was Scott Sigmund.

The Blues were mostly captained by Shannon Bond who collected the batting award with 239 runs at 39.83. Stephen Gimbert 13 wickets @ 22.23 and Jack Crehan 11 wickets @ the best performed bowlers and PP was Bondy.



PRESIDENT	D.SCIFLEET	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	R.MARSH
SECRETARY	J.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	D.WELSH
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	S.BOND
COACH			

First season in the Covid-19 pandemic. The season did start on time but was interesting to manage the games with the social distancing and non-contact rules.

First grade finished 8th in the premiership competition, which was all limited overs format and 7th in the T20 competition. Five games washed out due to unplayable conditions.

Richard Marsh was at the helm and Dale Scifleet claimed the batting award with 412 runs @ 58.86 including a 155 knock against Corrimal. Cooper Jensen collected the bowling award with 13 wickets @ 17.15. PP was Dale and he claimed the Bob Hazelton award as well.

2nd grade had a moderate season finishing 7th in the L/O comp and 6th in the T20, under the guidance of Dylan Welsh. Tyler Warrington the best batter with 281 runs @ 40.14 and also collecting the PP award. Aaron Owens returned and was bowling award winner with 15 wickets at 21.30.

3rd grade was captained by Shannon Bond, finishing with the wooden spoon in the l/o competition and out of the playoffs in the T20 competition. Bob Curtis was the leading batter with 237 runs @ 39.5. Mitchell Bonnie took 13 wickets @ 21.38 and also was the PP award winner.

Greg Jones and Richard Marsh were inducted as Life Members at the end of this season.

2021/22

PRESIDENT	D.SCIFLEET	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	J.PHILLIPS
SECRETARY	J.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	P.HAMMOND
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE CAPTAIN	M.SIMULA
COACH			

The second season during the Covid 19 pandemic.

This season started a month late due to restrictions and then it proceeded to rain and rain...

In the end it was intended to have been an 18 round competition of limited overs games.

Ultimately 1st grade played 6 matches in total, 2nd grade made the semi-finals undefeated but in 4th spot and lost the semi. 3rd grade were just short of finals after managing 9 matches.

The statistics for this season were quite low when giving out awards.

1st Grade were captained by Jye Phillips. Best Batter was Dale Scifleet with 159 runs @ 79.50, 157 coming in one innings. 1st Grade Bowling Best Bowler was Joel Hawksworth with 9 wickets @ 15.1, also taking out the Players' Player award.

Second grade were captained by Patrick Hammond. Pat was best batter with 156 runs @ 39.0. Also best bowler with 12 wickets @ 6.25. Not good enough to win the 2nd Grade Players' Player/ Steven Harris Award, Jack Naylor proving to be a popular teammate.

Third Grade Batting Best Batter was Scott Sharman with 152 runs @ 25.3

3rd Grade Bowling Best Bowler was Ben Mulcahy with 23 wickets @ 6.43. Ben was also 3rd Grade Players' Player, the inaugural Bob Fox award winner and took out the Bob Hazelton award for player of the year.



In May 2022 it was announced that there was an intention to build a new Cricket and AFL facility at the planned Darkes Town Centre. The big announcement included a contribution from the Federal Member for Whitlam of \$9M. Let's see how this unfolds for our club of the next few years.

2022/23

PRESIDENT	P.HAMMOND	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	E.BROOKES
SECRETARY	J.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	J.NAYLOR/D.PARKER
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE SUMPREME LEADER	M.SIMULA
COACH	S.DAVIES		

First season of relatively unrestricted cricket post COVID19. Remained as a T20 starter to the season and then onto limited overs cricket for each grade.

Stephen Davies returned to coaching the club again.

Initial season of the Play Hq system, numerous issues with this.

Elliot Brookes joined the club as wicket keeper and captain in 1st grade, leading the way with a batting aggregate of 351 runs @ 25.07. Batting Average went to the wily veteran Chris Georgiou with 283 runs @ 25.83. Gino also achieved 300 games this season. 1st Grade Bowling Award went to Joel Hawksworth with 35 wickets @ 11.14, also taking out the 1st Grade Players' Player and Bob Fox Award.



2nd Grade Batting Award went to Tyler Warrington with 245 runs @ 22.27.

2nd Grade Bowling Award winner was Chris Covington with 26 wickets @ 13.65, also winning the 2nd Grade Players' Player/ Steven Harris Award.

3rd Grade Batting Best Batter was Michael Sharman with 599 runs @ 46.08.

Unfortunately, not good enough to win the district batting award...

3rd Grade Bowling Best Bowler was Ben Mulcahy with 26 wickets @ 9.27, also winning the district bowling award.

3rd Grade Players' Player was obviously Michael Sharman who also collected the Bob Hazelton Award for best player in the club this season.



First edition of Old Timers Day held in February 2023, hopefully the first of many.

2023/24

PRESIDENT	C.COVINGTON	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	E.BROOKES
SECRETARY	J.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	J.NAYLOR
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE SUPREME LEADER	M.SIMULA
COACH	S.DAVIES	4 TH GRADE CAPTAIN	B.TATE/N.MALONEY

Preseason recruiting brought Aaron Whitehead and Ben Philips to the club.

1st grade were captained by Elliot Brookes and finished 5th on the ladder and missed the t20 playoffs as well. Ben Phillips had a massive season with 503 runs at 50.30, highlighted by his 115 versus Northern Districts on Old Timers Day. He also was selected in the Illawarra rep side and narrowly missed selection in the NSW Country team. Joel Hawksworth took out the bowling award with 27 wickets @ 12.15. He also achieved rep honours this season. Logan Jensen also represented at age levels and with CHS teams.



1ST GRADE team round 1 T20. Back L to R:- Tyler Warrington, Cooper Jensen, Tim Gilmore, Corey Judge, Aaron Whitehead, Joel Hawksworth. Front:- Ben Phillips, Elliot Brookes, Logan Jensen, Zac Craw, Ashan Wanigaratne.

2nd grade were usually captained by Jack Naylor. They finished 9th. Best batter was Daniel Parker and the bowling award winner was Corey Judge, who also collected the Steve Harris award winner for Player's Player.

3rd grade were supremely led most often by Mark Simula. They finished 11th. Best batter was Michael Sharman with 364 runs @ 33.09. Ben Mulcahy was the best bowler again with 21 wickets @ 11.38 and Sharmo was PP.

Grew back to 4 grades with a Father/Sons concept for the 4th grade team. Brad Tate had a monster season with 580 runs @ 96.67. David Sillitoe and Ben 'Gary' Maloney taking 19 wickets each. PP award went to young Gary.



2nd edition of Old Timers Day, freshly minted Old Timers Polos were a hit.



Cooper, Troy and Logan Jensen celebrate Troy's 300th appearance.

2024/25

PRESIDENT	C.COVINGTON	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	T.WARRINGTON
SECRETARY	J.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	T.JENSEN/M.SIMULA
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE SUPREME LEADER	N.MALONEY
COACH	S.DAVIES		

After the positive improvements of the previous season this season was quite difficult and bordered on depressing.

Half the 1st grade team from last season did not return and this put a lot of pressure on the Playing sub committee to get teams on the paddock each week. Initially we started with 4 teams and had around 55 players registered. The number eventually reached 70 players registered but frequent weeks there were less than half of them available. The 4th grade team was withdrawn one week into the season.

1st grade were captained by Tyler Warrington and finished 8th in the T20 competition and 10th in the limited overs competition. Best performed batters were Chris Georgiou and Zac Craw, with Joel Hawksworth and Lleyton Callaway putting up a great performance to eclipse the 9th wicket partnership record against NDs. Joel and Lleyton were also the leading bowlers with Tyler lending support.

2nd grade really suffered with the lack of quality depth and finished last in both competitions. Best Batting was supplied by Brad Tate and Michael Sharman. A few of the younger bowlers like Jackson Brown, Marcos Foster and Darryl Sillitoe had good performances.

3rd grade also languished in the bottom of the table, finishing 12th. Nick Maloney had a highlight with 167 vs Port, breaking the 2nd wicket partnership record with Daniel Adlington in support. Bowling was led by Nick and Ben Maloney with Todd Price taking a 5fa against Balgownie and Darryl Sillitoe a 5 fa in the T20 competition against IPCC.

If there was a highlight it was the number of new players who joined the club, unfortunately most wanted to play in the lower grades and the lack of depth saw many of them playing above their grade ability.

The highlight for the Juniors was the premiership won by the Under 13 B team.

2025/26

PRESIDENT	C.COVINGTON	1 ST GRADE CAPTAIN	T.FLETCHER
SECRETARY	J.HAWKSWORTH	2 ND GRADE CAPTAIN	J.NAYLOR
TREASURER	R.HAWKSWORTH	3 RD GRADE SUPREME LEADER	M.SIMULA
COACH	S.DAVIES		

Life Members

Carr	Michael
Clark	Michael
Davies	Stephen
Fox	Bob (deceased)
Fryer	Charles (Deceased 1996)
Gunn	Bill
Hayes	Alan (Deceased 2012)
Hawsworth	Ross
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Hurry	Neville
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Jones	Gregory
Jones	Trevor
Marsh	Richard
Morris	James
Pitt	Colin
O'Donnell	Shannon
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1858-1892		No Records			
1892-1895	J T Swan				
1895-1898	J T Swan				
1898-1899					
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1900-1902					
1902-1906	J T Swan	1903-1905	W Copas		
1906-1907	J Milling				
1907-1911	J T Swan	1907-1910	E Quinn		
1911-1918					
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		1920-1921	W Austen		
1921-1923	J T Swan	1921-1923	R Hargrave		
1923-1925	A Anderson	1923-1924	E Evans		
1925-1930					
1930-1931	B Swan	1930-1931	G Seldon	1930-1931	G Seldon
1931-1932	R Fairley	1931-1932	L Scott	1931-1932	D Bailey
1932-1933	P J Fields	1932-1933	E Evans	1932-1933	R Crooks
1933-1944	Annual General Meetings	Not Recorded			
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1947-1951	M Seldon	1947-1949	J Fitzpatrick	1947-1949	J Fitzpatrick
1951-1952	M Seldon		H Longbottom		H Longbottom
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1953-1954	B Thorne		A Hayes		A Hayes
1954-1955	B Thorne		A Hayes		A Hayes
1955-1956	A Swan		W Tuckey		W Tuckey
1956-1957	A Swan		W Tuckey		K Wise
1957-1958	K Wells		W Tuckey		C Quinliven
1958-1959	K Wells		Lofty Hines		C Quinliven
1959-1960	A Hayes		J Kimball		I Sinclair
1960-1961	A Hayes		J Kimball		I Sinclair
1961-1962	A Hayes		B Gunn		I Sinclair
1962-1963	A Hayes		B Gunn		I Sinclair
1963-1964	A Hayes		B Gunn		I Sinclair
1964-1965	A Hayes		B Gunn		I Sinclair
1965-1966	A Hayes		B Gunn		I Sinclair
1966-1967	A Hayes		B Gunn		I Sinclair
1967-1968	A Hayes		B Gunn		I Sinclair
1968-1969	A Hayes		B Gunn		M Carr
1969-1970	A Hayes		B Gunn		P Bayliss
1970-1971	A Hayes		B Gunn		C Pitt
1971-1972	A Hayes		B Brennan		C Pitt
1972-1973	I Sinclair		B Brennan		G Turner
1972-1974	G Smith		B Brennan		G Turner
1974-1975	R House		J Tibbits		G Turner
1975-1976	R House		B Poidevin		T Jones
1976-1977	J Rodgers		C Pitt		T Jones
1977-1978	J Rodgers		C Pitt		T Jones

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1981-1982	R Pearson	M Mildenhall	M Carr
1982-1983	R Pearson	M Mildenhall	M Carr
1983-1984	R Pearson	J Lasek	M Carr
1984-1985	R Pearson	C Perry	M Carr
1985-1986	M Clark	C Perry	M Carr
1986-1987	M Clark	A Green	M Carr
1987-1988	M Clark	A Green	R Hawksworth
1988-1989	M Clark	A Green	R Hawksworth
1989-1990	M Clark	A Green	C Fryer
1990-1991	M Clark	A Green	C Fryer
1991-1992	M Clark	M Keevers	P Carr
1992-1993	M Clark	E Lasek	M Love
1993-1994	J Morris	D Fryer	M Love
1994-1995	J Morris	D Fryer	C Fryer
1995-1996	R Hawksworth	D Fryer	C Fryer
1996-1997	D Fryer	P Sunshine	Mrs M Davies
1997-1998	T.Jones	P.Sunshine	D.Fryer
1998-1999	T.Jones	P.Sunshine	D.Fryer
1999-2000	R.Hawksworth	P.Sunshine	T.Jones
2000-2001	P.Sunshine	R.Hawksworth	T.Jones
2001-2002	S.O'Donnell	R.Hawksworth	A.Barnes
2002-2003	S.O'Donnell	R.Hawksworth	M.Barnes
2003-2004	S.O'Donnell	R.Hawksworth	M.Barnes

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	President	VP Communications	VP Finance	VP PSC
2004-2005	J.Bown	S.Epe	R.Hawksworth	R.Marsh
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2008-2009	J Hurd	A.Stevenson	R.Hawksworth	S.Cox
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2013-2014	G.Jones	R.Hawksworth	M.Pearson	K.Connor
2014-2015	G.Jones	Mrs B.Cann	B.Harvey	R.Hawksworth
2015-2016	G.Jones	D.Scifleet	B.Harvey	R.Hawksworth
2016-2017	D.Scifleet	R.Hawksworth	B.Harvey	S.Bond
2017-2018	D.Scifleet	R.Hawksworth	B.Harvey	S.Bond
2018-2019	D.Scifleet	J.Hawksworth	R.Hawksworth	S.Bond
2019-2020	D.Scifleet	J.Hawksworth	R.Hawksworth	P.Hammond
2020-2021	D.Scifleet	J.Hawksworth	R.Hawksworth	P.Hammond
2021-2022	D.Scifleet	J.Hawksworth	R.Hawksworth	P.Hammond
2022-2023	P.Hammond	J.Hawksworth	R.Hawksworth	D.Parker
2023-2024	C.Covington	J.Hawksworth	R.Hawksworth	D.Parker
2024-2025	C.Covington	J.Hawksworth	R.Hawksworth	L.Callaway

DAPTO CRICKET CLUB INC.	PREMIERSHIPS AND CLUB RECORDS
1ST GRADE PREMIERS	1975/76, 1985/86, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2016/17
ONE DAY TITLES	1993/94, 2008/09, 2017/18(T20)
2ND GRADE PREMIERS	1921/22, 1922/23, 1985/86, 1987/88
ONE DAY TITLES	2007/08
3RD GRADE PREMIERS	1953/54, 1963/64, 1965/66, 1967/68, 1985/86, 2016/17(T20)
4TH GRADE PREMIERS	2000/01, 2005/06, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2015/16
5TH GRADE PREMIERS	1993/94, 2008/09, 2009/10
CLUB CHAMPIONS	1985/86, 1987/88, 2008/09
Umpires Proficiency	1968/69, 1982/83, 1992/93, 2006/07

FIRST GRADE RECORDS TEAM AND

SEASONAL

HIGHEST SCORE FOR	382	HELENSBURGH	24/10/92
HIGHEST SCORE AGAINST	458/5	BALGOWNIE	14/12/96
LOWEST SCORE FOR	12	WOLLONGONG	06/12/12
LOWEST SCORE AGAINST	35	KEIRA	18/12/82
BATTING AGGREGATE	686	BILL MOFFAT	1979/80
BATTING AVERAGE	70.8	COLIN PITT	1976/77
HIGHEST SCORE (COUNTRY CUP)	173*	NEAL SCHOFIELD	25/01/92
	180	Brad Young	31/10/2010
BOWLING AGGREGATE	55	SHANNON O'DONNELL	1995/96
		SCOTT COX	2005/06
BOWLING AVERAGE	8.65 (34wckts)	BILL MOFFAT	1979/80
BEST BOWLING INNINGS	9 - 31	GIB ELLISON	1949/50
BEST BOWLING MATCH	16 - 83	TRENT JOHNSTON	26/01/92
W.K DISMISSALS INNINGS	7 (7,0)	JEFF HURD VS BERKELEY	25/01/92
W.K DISMISSALS SEASON	40 (32C,8S) 40 (29c,11s)	WAYNE CRAIG MICHAEL STEPHENSON	1993/94 2009/10
FIELDER INNINGS CATCHES	5	TROY JENSEN	09/11/96
FIELDER SEASON CATCHES	17	WAYNE WALTERS	92/93

FIRST GRADE CENTURIES

W.E. THOMAS	100	COLONIAL SUGAR	Jan-05
HAROLD SWAN	105	WOLLONGONG	04/03/05
BERT SWAN	142		1908/09
M.HEGARTY	100	WOLLONGONG	03/04/09
BERT SWAN	103	CORRIMAL	02/09/09
BERT SWAN	100*	ALBION PARK	16/10/09
E.QUINN	111	FLINDERS	29/11/12
HENRY LONGBOTTOM	100*	CORRIMAL	1950/51
JOHN JAFFREY	112	BALGOWNIE	06/12/52
HENRY LONGBOTTOM	110	CORRIMAL	13/12/52
HENRY LONGBOTTOM	114*	CRINGILA	15/11/54
GEOFF BOXSELL	115*	BALGOWNIE	1963/64
GEOFF BOXSELL	104	WOONONA	1963/64
CLARRIE QUINLIVAN	107	WOLLONGONG	1964/65
BRIAN BRENNAN	103	WOONONA	1971/72
DICK DOWSE	110*	UNIVERSITY	21/10/72
TONY EVANS	100	WOONONA	1974/75
COLIN PITT	105*	UNIVERSITY	05/10/75
BILL MOFFAT	102*	WOLLONGONG	03/04/76
COLIN PITT	101*	PORT KEMBLA	16/10/77
COLIN PITT	111	UNIVERSITY	22/01/78
BILL MOFFAT	108*	BALGOWNIE	13/12/80
BILL MOFFAT	100	CORRIMAL	28/02/81
RUSSELL HICKSON	107	CORRIMAL	06/11/82
BILL MOFFAT	106	KEIRA	19/02/83
COLIN PITT	128	WESTS	07/01/84
COLIN PITT	119*	CORRIMAL	27/10/84
SCOTT PERRY	103*	WOLLONGONG	08/02/86
NEAL SCHOFIELD	105	WESTS	31/10/87
SCOTT PERRY	115	UNIVERSITY	30/01/88
PAUL CARR	100*	THIRROUL	11/02/89
SCOTT PERRY	105*	PORT KEMBLA	13/01/90
STEVEN VYSE	106	WOLLONGONG	20/10/90
STEVEN VYSE	117	CORRIMAL	03/11/90
TRENT JOHNSTON	104*	BALGOWNIE	24/11/91
NEAL SCHOFIELD	173*	BERKELEY	25/01/92
TRENT JOHNSTON	104	PORT KEMBLA	29/02/92
NEAL SCHOFIELD	133	HELENSBURGH	24/10/92
NEAL SCHOFIELD	103*	KEIRA	28/11/92
STEVEN DAVIES	116	THIRROUL	20/01/96
JEFF HURD	101*	KEIRA	27/01/96

STEVEN DAVIES	101	WOLLONGONG	23/11/97
PHILIP BERNIE	143	WOLLONGONG	10/11/01
BRADLEY YOUNG	102*	PORT KEMBLA	19/10/02
RICHARD MARSH	102*	UNIVERSITY	17/12/2005
BRADLEY YOUNG	124	PORT KEMBLA	14/10/2006
HAYDEN HORNE	127	BALGOWNIE	11/11/2006
RICHARD MARSH T20	106*	WESTS	17/12/2008
AARON HICKSON	136	WOLLONGONG	14/11/2009
RICHARD MARSH	109	KEIRA	05/12/2009
BRADLEY YOUNG SCG CUP	180	BERRY SHOALHAVEN HEADS	31/10/2010
RICHARD MARSH	122	WOLLONGONG	05/02/2011
DALE SCIFLEET	108	WOLLONGONG	05/02/2011
DALE SCIFLEET	117*	PORT KEMBLA	24/11/2012
AARON HICKSON	115*	PORT KEMBLA	24/11/2012
DALE SCIFLEET	107	CORRIMAL	02/11/2013
HARINDU WANIGARATNE	102	UNIVERSITY	17/10/2015
HARRY MAGENNIS	150*	PORT KEMBLA	22/10/2016
RICHARD MARSH	108	CORRIMAL	10/11/2018
DALE SCIFLEET	155*	CORRIMAL	28/11/2020
DALE SCIFLEET	157*	HELENSBURGH	04/12/2021
BEN PHILLIPS	115	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	11/11/2023

SEVEN OR MORE WICKETS

S THOMPSON	7 - 25	FLINDERS	24/10/12
GIB ELLISON	9 - 31	CORRIMAL	1949/50
W.JAFFREY	8 - 37	CORRIMAL	23/01/50
NEVILLE BEATTIE	7 - 18	WOLLONGONG	1950/51
HENRY LONGBOTTOM	7 - 32	THIRROUL	1953/54
MAX HURRY	7 - 27	WOLLONGONG	22/02/55
KEVIN HINES	8 - 46	THIRROUL	05/11/56
LISLE HOUSE	7 - 14	THIRROUL	1957/58
RAY MORRIS	7 - 42	CRINGILA	1956/57
RAY MORRIS	7 - 50	CRINGILA	25/11/57
RAY MORRIS	7 - 19	BALGOWNIE	13/01/58
WARREN TUCKEY	7 - 50	WESTS	27/01/58
RAY MORRIS	8 - 20	BALGOWNIE	1958/59
MAX HURRY	7 - 30	WESTS	1958/59
KEVIN HINES	7 - 37	CRINGILA	1958/59
IAN SINCLAIR	7 - 37	WOONONA	1962/63
MAX HURRY	8 - 44	KEIRA	1964/65

MAX HURRY	7 - 24	THIRROUL	1965/66
BOB FOX	7 - 18	UNIVERSITY	1966/67
RON KERRIDGE	7 - 87	WARRAWONG	1967/68
BOB FOX	7 - 61	WOONONA	1968/69
BOB FOX	7 - 62	WARRAWONG	1970/71
BOB FOX	9 - 40	BALGOWNIE	18/11/72
KEITH McWATERS	7 - 27	WESTS	1973/74
MICHAEL MAUDE	7 - 67	BALGOWNIE	10/12/77
BILL MOFFAT	7 - 8	BERKELEY	07/01/78
WAYNE WALTERS	8 - 72	KEIRA	12/02/83
WAYNE WALTERS	7 - 37	WESTS	02/11/85
PETER BISHELL	7 - 23	CORRIMAL	25/01/86
PETER BISHELL	8 - 55	BALGOWNIE	29/11/86
WAYNE WALTERS	7 - 67	WESTS	08/10/88
PHILIP GREEN	8 - 71	CORRIMAL	12/11/88
TRENT JOHNSTON	7 - 48	BERKELEY	25/01/92
TRENT JOHNSTON	9 - 35	BERKELEY	26/01/92
GREG HARVEY	7 - 59	CORRIMAL	29/01/94
DANIEL PHILLIS	7 - 30	UNIVERSITY	30/09/95
SHANNON O'DONNELL	8 - 42	BALGOWNIE	28/10/95
SHANNON O'DONNELL	7 - 91	HELENSBURGH	17/02/96
SCOTT COX	7 - 37	WOLLONGONG	4/12/2005
DALE SCIFLEET	7 - 19	UNIVERSITY	2/2/2013
KENDRICK HATTON	7 - 52	WOLLONGONG	04/10/2015
PATRICK HAMMOND	7 - 20	UNIVERSITY	13/01/2024
<u>HAT TRICKS</u>			
HENRY LONGBOTTOM		BALGOWNIE	1954/55
RAY MORRIS		BALGOWNIE	1957/58
WARREN HAVILAND		KEIRA	1966/67
DALE SCIFLEET		BALGOWNIE	24/10/2015

SECOND GRADE RECORDS –
SECOND GRADE TEAM AND

HIGHEST SCORE FOR	430/4	CONISTON	1936/37
HIGHEST SCORE AGAINST	321/9	WESTS	05/02/94
LOWEST SCORE FOR	15	CORRIMAL	28/01/30
	15	WOLLONGONG	01/11/69
LOWEST SCORE AGAINST	22	UNIVERSITY	1962/63
BATTING AGGREGATE	688	GREG WRAY	2008/09
BATTING AVERAGE	66	BRENDAN FANNING	1980/81
HIGHEST SCORE	216	W.HAZLETON	11/12/36
BOWLING AGGREGATE	58	GREG WRAY	2008/09
BOWLING AVERAGE	6 (51W)	GIB ELLISON	1952/53
BEST BOWLING INNINGS	10-11	WAYNE PATON	15/01/2011
W.K CATCHES INNINGS	5	ROBERT DEAN	14/12/96
W.K SEASON CATCHES	27	SHAUN EPE	2008/09
	27	GREG JONES	1993/94
FIELDER INNINGS	3	ANDREW RAMSEY	03/12/77
CATCHES	3	DON TATE	15/03/86
	3	PHIL CHAMBERLAIN	03/01/87
	3	MICHAEL CLARK	04/11/87
	3	MARK BRIGHT	21/12/96
	3	ROSS HAWKSWORTH	21/03/99
	3	STEVEN WALLACE	20/11/99
	3	TROY JENSEN	02/12/00
	3	JOEL CAMPBELL	15/12/01
	3	CHRIS COVINGTON	8/11/08
FIELDER SEASON CATCHES	13	TROY JENSEN	2008/09

SECOND GRADE.CENTURIES.

LINDSAY EVANS	169	FLINDERS	07/10/22
JIM FIELDS	170	PORT KEMBLA	16/02/23
GEORGE SELDON	100	GLADSTONE	25/10/35
BILL HAZLETON	216	CONISTON	11/12/36
RICHARD FORAN	124	CONISTON	11/12/36
KEITH PATTERSON	172		12/12/44
ALAN SWAN	107		1946/47
MAX HURRY	100	CRINGILA	1951/52
CHARLIE SANDY	111		28/10/56
CHARLIE SANDY	156	WOLLONGONG	28/10/57
JACK SMITH	100	CORRIMAL	1962/63
NEVILLE HURRY	103*	UNIVERSITY	1967/68
STUART HESLOP	103	WOONONA	1970/71
IAN SINCLAIR	141	WARRAWONG	16/10/71
PETER WEBSTER	128*	BERKELEY	15/01/83
JEREMY LASEK	109	BERKELEY	17/11/84
TERRY HUTCHINSON	111	BALGOWNIE	24/11/86
JOHN McLEAN	114	KEIRA	28/02/87
ROSS HAWKSWORTH	112	THIRROUL	25/01/92
RUSSELL HICKSON	105	BALGOWNIE	10/10/92
STEVEN DAVIES	103	PORT KEMBLA	12/12/92
ROSS HAWKSWORTH	116	CORRIMAL	30/01/93
ROSS HAWKSWORTH	115	KEIRA	03/10/93
ADRIAN O'DONNELL	104*	HELENSBURGH	06/11/93
ADRIAN O'DONNELL	107	THIRROUL	15/10/94
ROSS HAWKSWORTH	117*	PORT KEMBLA	02/12/95
ADRIAN O'DONNELL	116*	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	30/11/96
RICHARD MARSH	103	HELENSBURGH	09/01/99
PHILIP BERNIE	143	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	27/11/1999
BRADLEY HAINES	104	KEIRA	27/11/2004
ADRIAN O'DONNELL	103*	HELENSBURGH	6/12/2008
GREG WRAY	137*	KEIRA	17/1/2009
GREG WRAY	117*	BALGOWNIE	8/2/2009
JEFF HURD	106*	BALGOWNIE	14/2/2009
TROY GASSELING	120	KEIRA	05/12/2009
JASON FULTON	117	BALGOWNIE	05/10/2013
JASON FULTON	100*	WOLLONGONG	23/11/2013
KYLE CONNOR	122	PORT KEMBLA	15/02/2014
GREG JONES	109*	HELENSBURGH	12/11/2016
ADRIAN O'DONNELL	103*	HELENSBURGH	25/11/2017
JAYDEN ZAHRA-SMITH	114*	WOLLONGONG	20/01/2018
KADE WARRINGTON	172*	HELENSBURGH	09/11/2019
PATRICK HAMMOND	120	PORT KEMBLA	29/01/2022

SEVEN WICKETS OR BETTER

BILLY ARTHUR	7 - 25	O.K METHODIST	11/11/1922
BILLY ARTHUR	7 - 36	ALBION PARK	02/01/23
BILL NUNAN	8 - 39	PORT KEMBLA	11/03/38
BILL NUNAN	7 - 20	KEMBLAWARRA	28/10/38
BILL NUNAN	7 - 37	KEIRA	23/12/38
GIB ELLISON	7 - 7		1952/53
KEITH WELLS	7 - 33	CRINGILA	03/10/52
LISLE HOUSE	7 - 51	WOONONA	29/11/52
JIM HURRY	7 - 19	WESTS	21/02/53
GIB ELLISON	7 - 37	KEIRA	07/11/53
ALAN HAYES	7 - 29	WOONONA	1953/54
ALAN HAYES	9 - 29	PORT KEMBLA	1957/58
ALAN HARRISON	8 - 43	WOONONA	1959/60
NEIL CAVILL	8 - 23	WOLLONGONG	08/01/77
NEIL CAVILL	7 - 49	UNIVERSITY	05/02/77
NEIL CAVILL	7 - 24	KEIRA	26/02/77
TREVOR BRADFORD	7 - 41	WOLLONGONG	08/10/77
WARREN MANN	9 - 20	THIRROUL	12/11/77
RON PEARSON	7 - 60	PORT KEMBLA	30/10/82
PHIL PERRY	7 - 38	KEIRA	18/12/82
JEFF HOLLINGSWORTH	8 - 34	BERKELEY	15/01/83
MICK KEEVERS	7 - 35	KEIRA	30/09/89
MICK KEEVERS	7 - 37	BERKELEY	09/11/91
STEVEN HEAD	7 - 56	CORRIMAL	31/01/93
DANIEL PHILLIS	7 - 37	BALGOWNIE	18/02/95
BILL SIMONOSKI	7 - 31	HELENSBURGH	17/02/96
STEVEN HARRIS	7 - 10	PORT KEMBLA	24/01/1998
WALLY FORREST	7 - 13	CORRIMAL	13/03/2004
MARK SIMULA	8 - 21	HELENSBURGH	15/10/2005
WALLY FORREST	7 - 89	KEIRA	25/11/2006
GREG WRAY	7 - 55	HELENSBURGH	7/12/2008
GREG WRAY	7 - 46	WOLLONGONG	20/12/2008
WAYNE PATON	10 - 11	KEIRA	15/1/2011
TRUMAN DRISCOLL	7 - 39	KEIRA	07/12/2013
WAYNE PATON	7 - 27	UNIVERSITY	07/03/2015
<i>HAT TRICKS</i>			
CHARLIE SLOAN			1952/53
ALAN HAYES	(4 IN 4)	CRINGILA	1959/60
WARREN MANN		PORT KEMBLA	22/10/77
JOHN LAMBERT		THIRROUL	12/11/93
GEOFF DAVID		WOLLONGONG	05/01/91
RUSSELL BANKS		BALGOWNIE	23/01/99
MARK BRIGHT	T20	WOLLONGONG	10/01/2015

THIRD GRADE RECORDS -
TEAM AND SEASONAL

HIGHEST SCORE - FOR	428	BALGOWNIE	19/10/2013
HIGHEST SCORE AGAINST	332	KEIRA	18/10/80
LOWEST SCORE - FOR	11	HELENSBURGH	03/10/70
LOWEST SCORE AGAINST	7	CORRIMAL	1953/54
BATTING AGGREGATE	701	JASON FULTON	2006/07
BATTING AVERAGE	57.2	ALEC FLEMING	1963/64
HIGHEST SCORE	175	BRETT HAYMAN	27/10/2018
BOWLING AGGREGATE	75	RAY MORRIS	1953/54
BOWLING AVERAGE	4.1 (48WKT)	LISLE HOUSE	1952/53
BEST BOWLING INNINGS	8 - 5	PATRICK HAMMOND	29/10/2011
W.K DISMISSALS INNINGS	5 5	DEUAYNE FENNELL DAVID BIRKIN	24/11/98 27/10/01
W.K SEASON DISMISSALS	29 (27C,2S)	DAVID BIRKIN	2001/02
FIELDER INNINGS CATCHES	4	DALE SINCLAIR MITCHELL CLARKE WAYNE FARQUAR ADAM FEDERICO JASON FULTON	09/02/85 16/11/85 01/02/97 13/01/01 16/12/2006
FIELDER SEASON CATCHES	16	JIM STEPHEN	1984/85

HAT TRICKS

NEVILLE SEILER		UNIVERSITY	1966/67
ERIC WHITE		THIRROUL	1975/76
PATRICK HUTLEY	T20	WESTS	12/10/2015

THIRD GRADE CENTURIES

IAN WEARNE	135	CORRIMAL	1959/60
BILL GUNN	118*	WESTS	1964/65
JACK SMITH	113*	WOONONA	1965/66
CLARRIE QUINLIVAN	102	WARRAWONG	1966/67
GREG EVANS	107	WARRAWONG	10/01/70
BILL FREAME	100	KEIRA	10/01/70
DALE SINCLAIR	101*	THIRROUL	03/12/77
MERRICK MILDENHALL	109	BERKELEY	1978/79
LES MILDENHALL	105	WOLLONGONG	15/11/80
ZORAN TALEVSKI	100*	PORT KEMBLA	15/12/84
STEVEN VYSE	101*	KEIRA	05/01/85
DAVID SIMMONS	133	THIRROUL	19/01/85
PHIL CHAMBERLAIN	101	KEIRA	16/11/85
MICHAEL CLARKE	100*	KEIRA	07/12/85
JASON SPENCER	113	THIRROUL	17/11/90
STEVEN HARRIS	100	KEIRA	02/10/93
TROY JENSEN	111	HELENSBURGH	15/01/94
DAVID SMITH	111	HELENSBURGH	22/10/94
MARK BRIGHT	157	UNIVERSITY	26/11/94
BRADLEY HAINES	118*	KEIRA	17/10/98
MARK HOFFMAN	100	WOLLONGONG	17/10/98
DAVID BIRKIN	101	PORT KEMBLA	19/01/2002
MATTHEW HEAD	139	WESTS ILLAWARRA	25/10/2003
JASON FULTON	105	WESTS ILLAWARRA	2/12/2006
DAVID BIRKIN	109	BALGOWNIE	27/1/2007
HARRY BOWN	125	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	8/11/2008
BRIAN LANE	124*	HELENSBURGH	31/1/2009
WALLY FORREST	111	WESTS ILLAWARRA	24/10/2009
MARK PEARSON	142	HELENSBURGH	06/03/2010
ANDREW STEVENSON	120	UNIVERSITY	05/03/2011
DANIEL SULCS	108	BALGOWNIE	19/10/2013
JACOB CANN	125	PORT KEMBLA	09/11/2013
BRADLEY YOUNG t20	101*	KEIRA	22/01/2017
BRETT HAYMAN	175	KEIRA	27/10/2018
DYLAN WELSH	123	UNIVERSITY	03/11/2018
MICHAEL SHARMAN	108	IPCC	26/11/2022
HAMISH OXMAN	123	CORRIMAL	16/12/2023
MICHAEL SHARMAN	122*	PORT KEMBLA	17/2/2024
NICK MALONEY	167	PORT KEMBLA	15/02/2025

SEVEN WICKETS OR BETTER

ALAN HAYES	7 - 12	CORRIMAL	19/10/53
RAY MORRIS	7 - 25	WOLLONGONG	1953/54
A. HOBBS	7 - 55	WOONONA	1954/55
NEVILLE SEILER	8 - 18		1959/60
STEVE ROBINSON	7 - 45		1978/79
RODNEY BURNETT	7 - 33	THIRROUL	02/02/85
MARK REED	7 - 31	BERKELEY	04/01/86
RODNEY CROFT	7 - 35	WESTS	15/03/86
DAVID PYNE	7 - 25	WOLLONGONG	1986/87
RODNEY CROFT	8 - 37	KEIRA	1986/87

ADRIAN O'DONNELL	7 - 71	BERKELEY	26/01/91
STEVEN DUNGEY	7 - 32	HELENSBURGH	12/10/96
STEVEN DUNGEY	7 - 28	PORT KEMBLA	17/01/98
PATRICK HUTLEY	7 - 20	CORRIMAL	11/12/2004
PATRICK HAMMOND	8 - 5	PORT KEMBLA	29/10/2011
JAMIE FETHERSTON	7 - 20	KEIRA	15/03/2014

FOURTH GRADE RECORDS -
TEAM AND SEASONAL

HIGHEST SCORE -	5/324	CORRIMAL	28/10/00
HIGHEST SCORE AGAINST	534	BALGOWNIE	21/12/96
LOWEST SCORE -	18	HELENSBURGH	19/10/96
LOWEST SCORE AGAINST	31	WOLLONGONG	16/02/85
BATTING AGGREGATE	712	DAVID BIRKIN	2000/2001
BATTING AVERAGE	96.67	BRAD TATE	2023/2024
HIGHEST SCORE	154*	BRIAN MILTHORPE VS BALGOWNIE	30/10/93
BOWLING AGGREGATE	74	RODNEY CROFT	1984/85
BOWLING AVERAGE	8.62	RODNEY CROFT	1984/85
BEST BOWLING INNINGS	8 - 18	DAVID MARSH	27/10/99
W.K DISMISSAL INNINGS	5	DAVID THOMPSON	05/11/94
	5	MARK YOUNG	17/01/2015
W.K DISMISSAL SEASON	31	STEVE RYAN	2009/10
FIELDER INNINGS	4	JAYCE CHANDLER	10/01/2009
CATCHES	4	CAMERON KING	8/11/2008
FIELDER SEASON CATCHES	17	CHRIS COVINGTON	2005/06

<u>FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE CENTURIES</u>	<u>RECORDS</u>	<u>COMBINED</u>	
TONY HUNT	101*	UNIVERSITY	17/12/77
PETER FRENCH	101*		1978/79
JEFF HURD	108	THIRROUL	02/03/85
DOUG MILLS	133	BALGOWNIE	04/01/86
CHRIS BRODHURST	121	UNIVERSITY	30/01/86
BRIAN MILTHORPE	154*	THIRROUL	30/10/93
BRIAN MILTHORPE	110	BALGOWNIE	06/11/93
STEVEN HEAD	101	BALGOWNIE	13/01/96
DEAN CALLAWAY	122	BALGOWNIE	21/12/96
DEUAYNE FENNELL	103*	BALGOWNIE 'B'	21/02/98
ANDREW SPENCE	100	BALGOWNIE	11/12/99
PAUL CHAMBERLAIN	101	UNIVERSITY B	04/03/00
PAUL CHAMBERLAIN	123*	KEIRA	21/10/00
JAMIE O'KEEFE	100*	CORRIMAL	28/10/00
DAVID BIRKIN	111	CORRIMAL	10/2/01
DAVID BIL	103	WESTERN SUBURBS	25/01/03
MERRICK MILDENHALL	103	CORRIMAL	08/03/03
CHRIS COVINGTON	100*	WESTS	10/12/2005
MARK RUSSELL	105	DAPTO C	28/10/2006
MARK EDWARDS	118*	HELENSBURGH	11/11/2006
DAVID SMITH	116*	DAPTO D	18/11/2006
MARK PEARSON	127*	DAPTO B	02/12/2006
TROY BONNITCHA	103	DAPTO C	9/12/2006
LUKE EVERINGHAM	116	KEIRA RED	3/2/2007
CHRIS GEORGIOU	107	WESTS RED	24/02/2007
CAMERON KING	111	DAPTO C	03/11/2007
ADAM KIRKLAND (5)	145*	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	11/10/2008
MITCHELL O'DONNELL (5)	105	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	01/11/2008
MATHEW HEAD (5)	107	DAPTO G	15/11/08
MARK KIRKLAND (5)	127	DAPTO W	6/12/08
DEAN CALLAWAY (5)	101	DAPTO W	6/12/08
AARON MILLS (5)	128	UNIVERSITY	20/12/08
NICK HARDY(5)	131	UNIVERSITY	10/10/2009
PAUL STONE(5)	102*	DAPTO WHITE	17/10/2009
AARON MILLS(5)	111*	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	31/10/2009
NICK HARDY(5)	104	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	21/11/2009
DANIEL SULCS	103	HELENSBURGH	12/12/2009
ROSS FOWLER(5)	117	UNIVERSITY	19/12/2009
DEAN CALLAWAY(5)	115	DAPTO WHITE	23/1/2010
NICK HARDY(5)	137	DAPTO GOLD	20/03/2010
RICKY CLARK	109	UNIVERSITY	18/12/2010
STEPHEN BROWN	128*	UNIVERSITY	18/12/2010
DANIEL SULCS	118	KEIRA	05/02/2011
STEPHEN BROWN	108	UNIVERSITY	25/02/2012
DAVID BIRKIN	104	WESTS	20/10/2012
GAVIN CHAPMAN	123*	CORRIMAL	17/11/2012
WILLIAM LUCAS	119	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	15/12/2012
ROSS HAWKSWORTH	116*	CORRIMAL	26/10/2013
DEAN CALLAWAY	111	UNIVERSITY	30/11/2013

SHANNON BOND	129	UNIVERSITY	29/02/2020
CHRIS DONOGHUE	130*	KEIRA	28/10/2023
BRAD TATE	141	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	18/11/2023

SEVEN WICKETS OR BETTER

IN AN INNINGS

SHANE BARRY	7 - 20	UNIVERSITY	17/12/83
S.JAMES	8 - 70	PORT KEMBLA	02/12/85
RODNEY CROFT	7 - 10	WOLLONGONG	15/12/84
RODNEY CROFT	7 - 51	THIRROUL	22/12/84
RODNEY CROFT	7 - 31	HELENSBURGH	16/03/85
RODNEY CROFT	7 - 15	HELENSBURGH	
DEAN SUMNER	7 - 11	HELENSBURGH	31/10/87
DEAN SUMNER	7 - 12	UNIVERSITY	14/11/87
DAVID MARSH	8 - 18	CORRIMAL	27/10/99
ADAM KIRKLAND (5)	7-5	UNIVERSITY	25/10/2008
GREG FLACK (5)	7-23	DAPTO G	15/11/08
AARON MILLS (5)	7-12	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	31/10/2009
SEAN HAIGH	7-18	DAPTO WHITE	27/2/2010

HAT TRICKS

RODNEY CROFT	WOLLONGONG	15/12/1984
JAIMES ADLINGTON	UNIVERSITY	01/11/2003
SCOTT TOZER	DAPTO A	8/3/2008
JESSE ROSE	DAPTO WHITE	17/10/2009
STEPHEN BROWN	UNIVERSITY	05/03/2011

FIRST GRADE PARTNERSHIP
RECORDS

1ST	167 HARRY MAGENNIS BLAKE HUARD	150* 55	PORT KEMBLA	22/10/2017
2ND	236 DALE SCIFLEET AARON HICKSON	117* 115*	PORT KEMBLA	24/11/2012
3RD	163 GREG JONES RICHARD MARSH	84 78	WESTS	22/02/2014
4TH	244 NEAL SCHOFIELD CHRIS HOGAN	133 94	HELENSBURGH	24/10/1992
5TH	165 HENRY LONGBOTTOM JOHN JAFFREY	110 83	CORRIMAL	13/12/1952
6TH	148 TRENT JOHNSTON JEFF HURD	104* 54	BALGOWNIE	24/11/1991
7TH	110 GREG JONES WALLY FORREST	77* 22	WOLLONGONG	10/01/2004
8TH	88 MAX HURRY JIM HURRY	61 49	WESTS	1957/58
9TH	90 JOEL HAWKSWORTH LLEYTON CALLAWAY	74 17	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	14/12/2024
10TH	66 TREVOR JONES WAYNE WALTERS	57* 38	WOLLONGONG	29/01/1983

SECOND GRADE
PARTNERSHIP RECORDS

1ST	***250 BILL HAZLETON RICHARD FORAN	216 124	FLINDERS	11/12/1936
2ND	137 GEOFF NEEDHAM PETER TALBOT	89 57	BALGOWNIE	03/03/1984
3RD	173 JOHN McLEAN TERRY HUTCHINSON	114 62	KEIRA	28/02/1987
4TH	162 PETER WEBSTER MICHAEL CLARK	128* 53	BERKELEY	15/01/1983
5TH	143 PAUL OWEN RUSSELL HICKSON	80* 70*	WOLLONGONG	11/12/1993
6TH	121 TERRY HUTCHINSON STEVEN VYSE	111* 44	BALGOWNIE	06/12/1986
7TH	207 LINDSAY EVANS BOB FAIRLEY	169 87	FLINDERS	07/10/1922
8TH	103 CHRIS GEORGIOU SHAUN EPE	66 50	UNIVERSITY	16/11/2004
9TH	71 RUSSELL BANKS JIM MORRIS	51 16*	CORRIMAL	17/03/2001
10TH	92 SIMON HARDING MICHAEL LOVE	62 34*	BERKELEY	12/12/1987

THIRD GRADE PARTNERSHIP
RECORDS

1ST	200 GREG EVANS BILL FREAME	107 100	WARRAWONG	1969/1970
2ND	185 NICK MALONEY DANIEL ADLINGTON	167 39	PORT KEMBLA	15/02/2024
3RD	180 MICHAEL SHARMAN MATTHEW SKORA	108 89	IPCC	26/11/2022
4TH	149 JASON FULTON ANDREW STEVENSON	105 76	WESTS	2/12/2006
5TH	154 BRIAN LANE PAUL GAETJENS	123* 57*	HELENSBURGH	31/01/2009
6TH	110 STEVEN VYSE STEVEN CHAMBERLAIN	89 52	KEIRA	01/03/1986
7TH	118 TROY BONNITCHA ROSS HAWKSWORTH	74 46	HELENSBURGH	21/01/2012
8TH	99 TODD MURRAY BRETT HAYMAN	79 44	CORRIMAL	21/12/2002
9TH	86 GREG AMADIO MARK SIMULA	41* 30	PORT KEMBLA	19/11/2022
10TH	85 STEVEN HARRIS CHRIS COVINGTON	100 20*	KEIRA	02/10/1993

FOURTH GRADE RECORDS

1ST	190 MARK KIRKLAND DEAN CALLAWAY	127 101	DAPTO W	6/12/2008
2ND	175 DEAN CALLAWAY PETER SUMNER	115 93	DAPTO W	23/01/2010
3RD	133 BRIAN LANE TUA TOMOARE	93* 70	WOLLONGONG	15/11/2003
4TH	207 STEPHEN BROWN RICKY CLARK	128* 109	UNIVERSITY	05/12/2010
5TH	139 KYLE TRIFFIT AARON MILLS	69 111*	UNIVERSITY R	09/01/2010
6TH	129 DEAN CALLAWAY CHRIS BRODHURST	52 83	THIRROUL	07/02/1988
7TH	97 PAUL CHAMBERLAIN GRAHAM STEWART	98* 30*	WESTS 2	25/11/2000
8TH	104 DEUAYNE FENNELL AIDEN CAVILL	103* 39*	BALGOWNIE B	21/02/1998
9TH	102 DANIEL SULCS JACK NAYLOR	103 37	HELENSBURGH	12/12/2009
10TH	59 TROY GASSELING ROSS FOWLER	41 14*	CORRIMAL	2/11/2002

First Grade Premiership Players Numbers (Premierships) All Formats

#1 Colin Pitt (2)	#2 Merrick Mildenhall	#3 John Rodgers
#4 Bill Moffat	#5 Bob Fox	#6 Frank Fox
#7 Trevor Jones	#8 Keith McWaters	#9 Ray King
#10 Peter French	#11 Michael Maude	#12 <i>Martin Oberg</i>
#13 <i>Ross Hawksworth</i>	#14 <i>Ivan Williams</i>	# 15 <i>Scott Perry</i>
#16 <i>Paul Carr</i>	# 17 <i>Peter Bishell</i>	#18 <i>John Gasparinni</i>
#19 <i>Wayne Walters</i>	#20 <i>Rodney Burnett</i>	#21 <i>Shannon O'Donnell</i>
#22 Stephen Davies (3)	#23 Neal Schofield	#24 Steven Vyse
#25 Noel Spencer	#26 Trent Johnston	#27 Chris Hogan
#28 Robert McMahon	#29 Wayne Craig	#30 Greg Wray(3)
#31 Dean Sumner	#32 Brent Dawson	#33 Scott Cox
#34 Jason Fulton (2)	#35 Greg Jones	#36 Richard Marsh (4)
#37 Adrian O'Donnell	#38 Kyle Connor (3)	#39 Troy Gasseling (2)
#40 Tommi Bozinovski (3)	#41 Danny Belo	#42 Harry Bown
#43 Aaron Hickson (2)	#44 Dale Scifleet (3)	#45 Michael Stephenson(2)
#46 Scott Sharman (2)	#47 Chris Georgiou (3)	#48 Brad Young
#49 Harry Magennis (2)	#50 Blake Huard	#51 Jye Philips (2)
#52 Ashan Wanigaratne (2)	<u>#53 Patrick Hammond (2)</u>	<u>#54 Ben Chapman</u>
<u>#55 Colin Edwards (2)</u>	<u>#56 Shannon Bonnie (2)</u>	<u>#57 Justin Faughlin</u>
#58 <i>Tyler Warrington</i>	#59 <i>Lleyton Callaway</i>	