

# Fitzroy Doncaster Cricket Club

from 1862



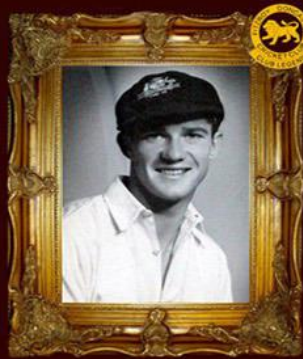
E P Illingworth



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R Harvey



R N Harvey



G M Watts



W L Jacobs



J Potter



A L Thomson

## Born in Fitzroy, living in Doncaster



2022-23 edition

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# OUR HISTORY

Fitzroy Cricket Club was formed by the amalgamation of the Prince of Wales and Collingwood Commercial Cricket Clubs. The first General meeting was attended by 14 persons and was adjourned for a week, when an increased attendance of 19 was secured. Mr Graham Berry, who was so well known afterwards throughout Victoria as a leading politician, acted as Chairman. The Annual Meeting was held on 17 September 1863 at which 26 members attended and elected Mr C. Vaughan the first president. The Club was also granted permissive occupancy of the original Brunswick St Oval in 1863, after separate grants of adjoining lands had been earlier given to the Prince of Wales and Collingwood Commercial Cricket Clubs, shortly before their amalgamation. The original area of 386 yards by 195 yards was however cut down, forcing the Club to obtain additional land next to the Merri Creek in Northcote, which became known as the William Barr Oval.

A detailed account of the Club's early history, including the personalities and activities of the early committees as they developed the fledgling club, is given in the Jubilee Annual Report of 1912-13, which can be found on the National Library of Australia's website at <http://www.nla.gov.au/apps/doview/nla.aus-vn4767108-p.pdf>.

The Club became a member of the Victorian Cricket Association in May 1880.

The 100th Annual Report of the 1962-63 season includes a Centenary Report which provides further detail on the Club's history. It identifies highlights in the development of the Club and its grounds in many of the seasons, and highlights some of the great players to play for the Club. It includes the election of Mr Wm. Barr as President in 1914, a position he held until 1951; the Club's first Premiership in 1930-31; numerous improvements to the ground and pavilion, and that in 1931 Haydn Bunton, a fine Fitzroy cricketer, won the Brownlow Medal as a Fitzroy footballer. This was to be the first of his 3 Brownlows. The report notes that in the 'Harvey Era' six brothers, Mervyn, Clarrie, Harold, Ray, Neil and Brian all represented the Club and all but Harold hit centuries in 1st XI. Mervyn's sons Graham and Jeff later also represented the Club. Robert Harvey, Jeff's son, also played cricket for Fitzroy Doncaster, and went on to win 2 Brownlow Medals in 1997 and 1998 playing for St Kilda Football Club.

Fitzroy CC continued to play at Brunswick St Oval until 1985-86, winning 6 premierships. At that time it amalgamated with Doncaster Cricket Club, a club then playing in the sub-district competition. The newly-formed Fitzroy Doncaster Cricket Club thereafter played at the Doncaster CC home ground of Schramm's Reserve, where it remains today. Four further premierships have been won since the amalgamation.

*References: Jubilee Report, Fitzroy Cricket Club 1912-13*

*Fitzroy Cricket Club 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Report 1962-63 including Centenary Report*

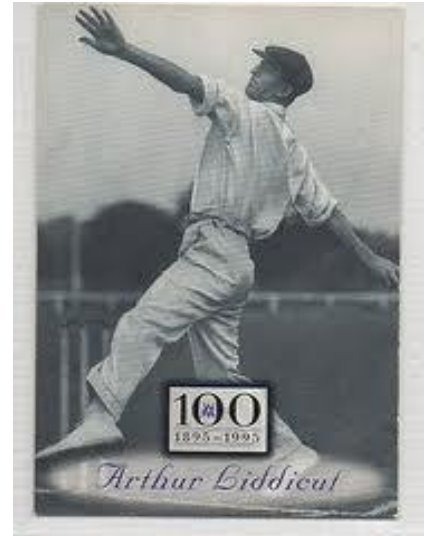
*Fitzroy Doncaster Cricket Club Annual Report 1986-87*

# PREMIERSHIPS

1930-31, 1938-39, 1939-40, 1953-54, 1960-61, 1966-67, 1993-94, 2001-02, 2015-16, 2016-17

The Club won its first premiership in 1930-31 against South Melbourne, on the back of a great contribution of a century and 4 wickets from the captain, Arthur Liddicut.

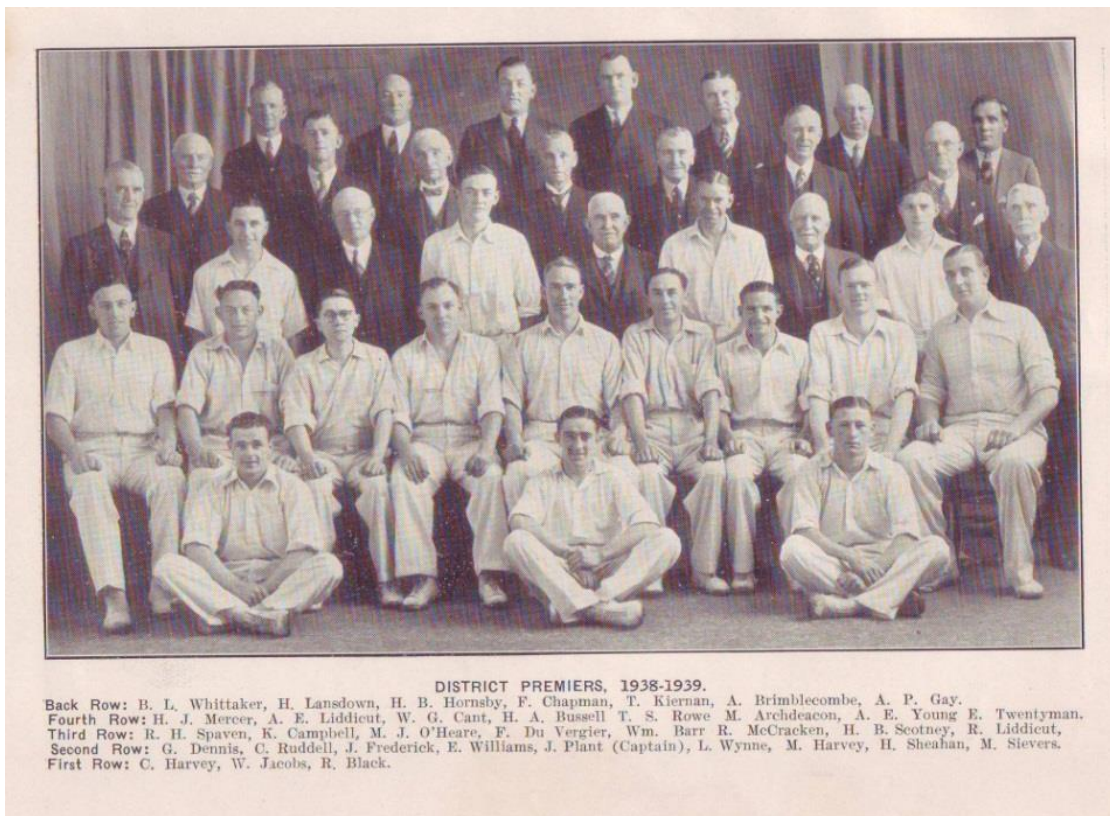
After being sent in to bat in damp conditions, Fitzroy made 341 after a 94 run opening partnership by the Lansdown brothers, Harold (60) and Bert (39), and 114 from Liddicut. Scaife, who had played well in the semi-final made only 1. Dummett made 32, Plant 29, Chapman 21, and wicketkeeper Wynne was 26 not out. Liddicut (4/40) and Bert Lansdown (4/45) dismissed South Melbourne for 167 to secure a comfortable victory. Three of Liddicut's wickets came from brilliant slips catches by Plant, A. Lansdown and Dummett. Two batsmen were run out.



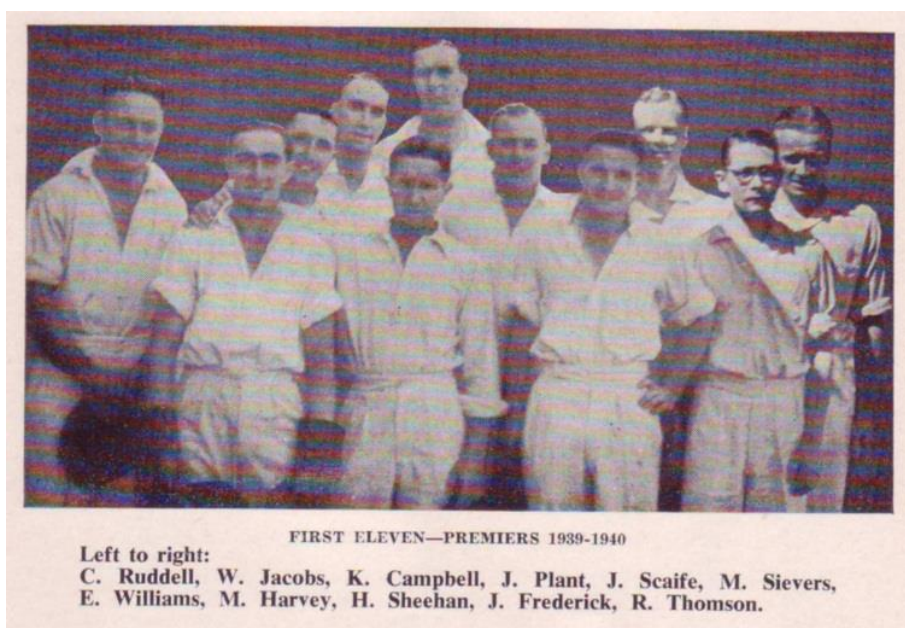
South was 5/94 in the second innings from only 7 overs, with 8 sixes being hit. Scaife (2/77) and H. Lansdown (3/16) were the bowlers.



A second premiership was won in 1938-39 against Richmond, when late partnerships from Jack Frederick (89), captain Joe Plant (59) and Bill Jacobs (28no) saw the team recover from 7/145 to make 341. Plant (3/41), Frederick (4/58) and Morry Sievers (3/41) then shared the wickets for a 100 run win.



A third premiership followed straight away against Melbourne in 1939-40, again captained by Joe Plant. Sievers with 93 led the batting in compiling 231. Melbourne replied with 5/207 before a burst of 4/4 from K. Campbell saw Fitzroy hold a 7 run first innings lead amid wild excitement. Campbell finished with 5/29. A second innings of 225 highlighted by C. Ruddell's 76 ensured that the premiership was safe.



The Club's fourth premiership came in 1953-54 against Prahran. Prahran made 198 after K. Peters took 6/89. In reply Fitzroy made a disappointing 149 with Ray Harvey making 39. Prahran's second innings of 125, with Harold Shillinglaw taking 5/50 and Don Arnall 3/35 brought the game back into balance. In the final innings, a 98 run opening partnership by Merv Harvey (54) and Arnall (49) set up the win with Ray Harvey hitting 7 consecutive boundaries in his 36no in a team total of 3/175. Captain and wicketkeeper Bill Jacobs took six catches for the match in a memorable victory.

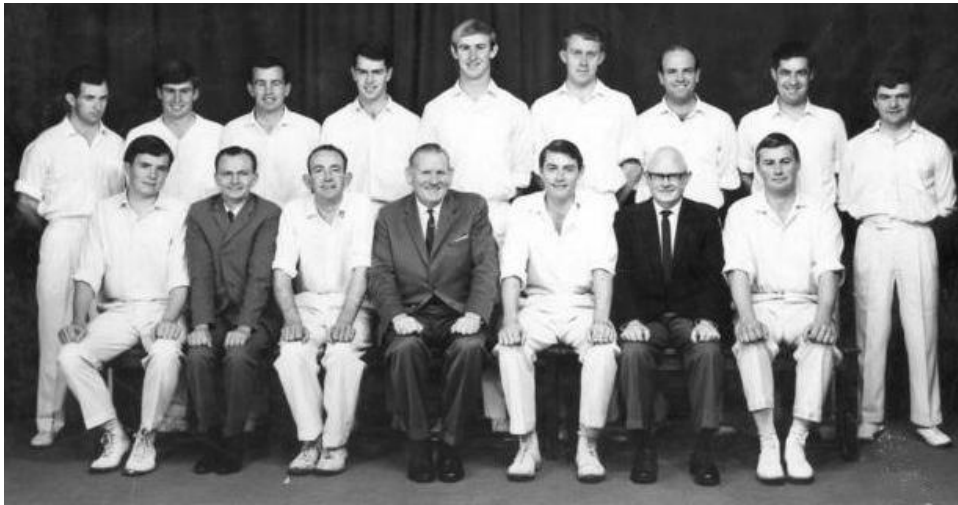


The fifth premiership was in 1960-61 against St Kilda; an outright win under the captaincy of Jack Potter. St Kilda collapsed for 137 to Illingworth (4/40) and Ray Harvey (4/32). An opening partnership of 151 by Ron Furlong (88) and David Anderson (71) got Fitzroy off to a great start, but wickets fell before some late hitting from Eddie Illingworth took the score to 280. St Kilda's 2<sup>nd</sup> innings of 212 (E Illingworth 3/61, C Adams 4/46, R Harvey 3/54) left Fitzroy to make 70 for outright victory, which it achieved with no loss of wickets.



**1960-61 Premiership Team**

The sixth premiership was in 1966-67 against Essendon. Jack Potter again led Fitzroy to an outright victory. Essendon made 161 with Alan Thomson taking 6/72. Fitzroy replied with 348, with the main contributions coming from Ron Furlong (99) and Jack Potter (100). Essendon's 2<sup>nd</sup> innings of 177 fell 10 runs short of requiring Fitzroy to bat again.



### **1966-67 Premiershipe Team**

Front row: D. Ashworth, K.Kearney (Secretary), E. Illingworth (Vice Captain), P. Hewitt (President), J. Potter (Captain), G.Murray (Coach), W.Heller. Back row: D. Anderson, P. Measom, W.Dunstan, D. Martin, R. Bitmead, A. Thomson, L.Hill, R.Furlong, G. Harvey

A seventh premiership, and the first after the Fitzroy Doncaster amalgamation, came against Melbourne in 1993-94 under captain-coach John Scholes. Stephen Cottrell (4/66) and David Hampton (4/53) restricted Melbourne's powerful batting line-up to 251. Fitzroy Doncaster lost two early wickets, but then a record partnership between Leigh Watts (131no) and Brendan Joyce (92no) took the score to 2/252 and victory.



### **1993-94 Premiershipe Team**

C. McKissack, J. Scholes (Captain-Coach), D. Hampton, L. Watts, D. Berry, S. Cottrell, B. Joyce, T. Smith G. Watts, A. Muir, D. McDonald, A. Dyer, A. Melbourne

The Club's eighth premiership came in 2001-02 against Melbourne University, under the captaincy of Brendan Joyce. Jarrod Travaglia took 5/32 as University was dismissed for 191. Fitzroy Doncaster's 2/195 passed the University's score to take the premiership by 8 wickets with the runs coming from Rob Bartlett (73), Joyce (60no) and David Plumpton (59no). Jarrod Travaglia was awarded the John Scholes Medal for the best player in the final.



**FITZROY DONCASTER**  
1st XI Premiers 2001-02

Back (L to R): A Williams, JP Renkin, DA McNees, CBD Street, LR Mash, CS Reidy.  
Front: JL Travaglia, RA Bartlett, SG Helmot (Coach), BA Joyce (Captain), DR Plumpton and RJ Sacristani.

The Club's ninth premiership was in 2015-16 against Ringwood, under the captaincy of Peter Dickson. Ringwood was dismissed for 96 under sustained pressure from the Fitzroy Doncaster attack, with Trent Lawford taking 3/31 and Matthew Frith 3/2 from 9 overs. Fitzroy Doncaster replied with 9/435, with Peter Dickson dominating with 226 retired hurt, and Liam Banthorpe (45) and Tim Sheehan (40) supporting Dickson well. Ringwood was 2/89 in the second innings when the game finished. Peter Dickson was awarded the John Scholes Medal.



**2015-16 Premiership:** Back row: G Cook (Pres), L Watts, M Delves, C Moore, S Duckworth, D Watts, S Pietersz, N Vardi, T Sheehan, L Banthorpe, P Lovell, J Augustin, W Stewart. Front row: M Frith, M Bremner, M O'Sullivan (Coach), J Blyth, P Dickson, A Perrin, E Alavi, T Lawford

The Club won back to back premierships for the second time in its history in 2016-17, defeating Melbourne in the Final to take its tenth premiership flag. Fitzroy Doncaster batted first, compiling 309, Lloyd Mash top-scoring with 96, Matt Frith making 44 and Liam Banthorpe 42. Melbourne replied with 266, Chris Moore and Matt Bullen both taking 4/59 in their first Final for the Club.



**2016-17 Premiership:** Back row: J Rudd, J Blyth, T Sheehan, C Moore, M Bullen, T Lawford.  
Front row: M Frith, L Banthorpe, M O'Sullivan (coach), E Alavi, P Dickson (capt), L Mash, N Vardi.

## 2<sup>ND</sup> XI PREMIERSHIPS (FROM 1906-07)

1909-10, 1934-35, 2007-08, 2013-14

## 3<sup>RD</sup> XI PREMIERSHIPS (FROM 1928-29)

1941-42, 1942-43, 1943-44, 1944-45, 1948-49, 1954-55, 1957-58, 1960-61, 1961-62, 1962-63, 1967-68, 1968-69, 1969-70, 2000-01

4<sup>TH</sup> XI PREMIERSHIPS (FROM 1928-29)      1955-56

5<sup>TH</sup> XI PREMIERSHIPS (FROM 1946-47)      1965-66, 1966-67, 1968-69, 1969-70

**CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**    1939-40, 1957-58, 1960-61, 1961-62, 2017-18

## ONE DAY PREMIERSHIPS

1<sup>ST</sup> XI            2015-16                            2<sup>ND</sup> XI                            2003-04, 2010-11

3<sup>RD</sup> XI            Nil                                      4<sup>TH</sup> XI                            2010-11

**KOOKABURRA PREMIER T20**                            Nil



# INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

## Australian Test representatives:

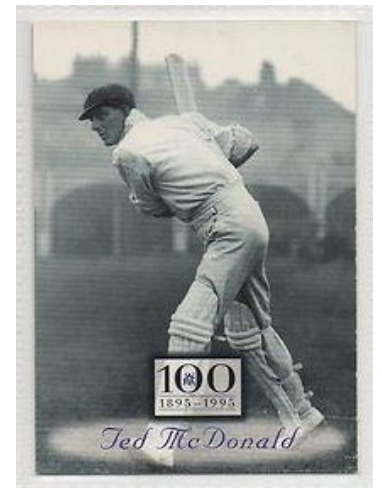
PG McShane 1884-88 (3 tests) [Cap 41]  
J Worrall 1885-99 (11 tests) [Cap 40]  
EA McDonald 1920-21 (11 tests) [Cap 114]  
MW Sievers 1936-37 (3 tests) [Cap 157]  
MR Harvey 1946-47 (1 test) [Cap 175]  
RN Harvey 1946-63 (79 tests) [Cap 178]  
AL Thomson 1970-71 (4 tests) [Cap 250]  
GJ Maxwell 2012-18 (7 tests) [Cap 433]



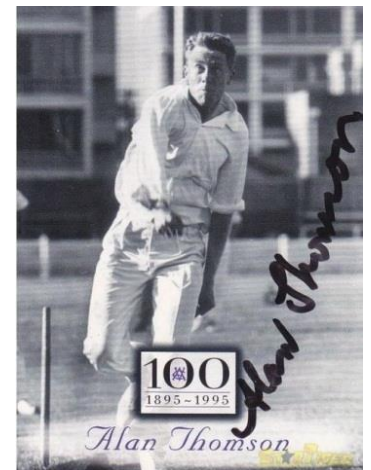
Jack Worrall



Morris Sievers

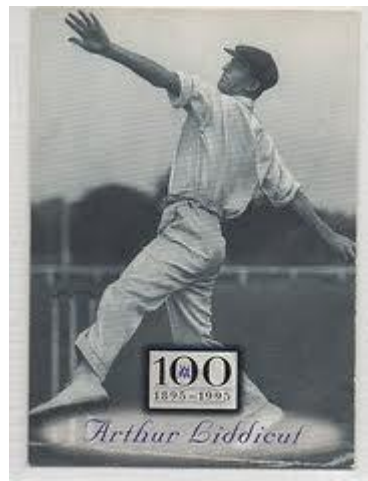


Glenn Maxwell

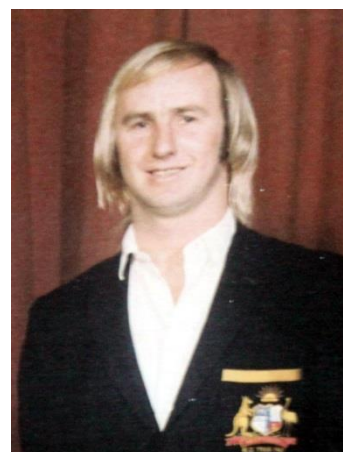
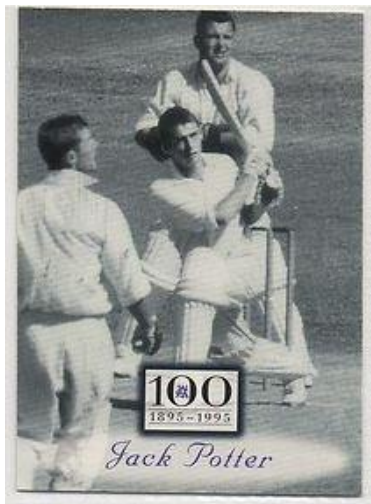


## Representatives in Australian Touring Teams:

C McKenzie (NZ, 1913-14)  
 AE Liddicut (NZ, 1920-21)  
 J Potter (NZ, 1959-60, England 1964)  
 RC Bitmead (NZ, 1966-67)  
 RC Jordan (India, South Africa 1969-70)  
 AL Thomson (NZ, 1969-70)  
 DS Berry (England, 1997)  
 GJ Maxwell (Sri Lanka 2022)



Darren Berry



Bob Bitmead



Ray Jordan



Colin McKenzie



Alan Thomson



Glenn Maxwell

## Australian ODI & T20 Representatives:

AL Thomson  
 DP Nannes  
 GJ Maxwell  
 IJ Harvey



Dirk Nannes



Glenn Maxwell



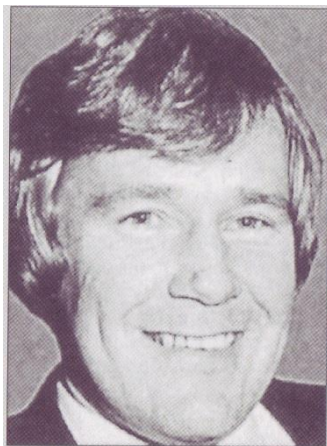
Ian Harvey



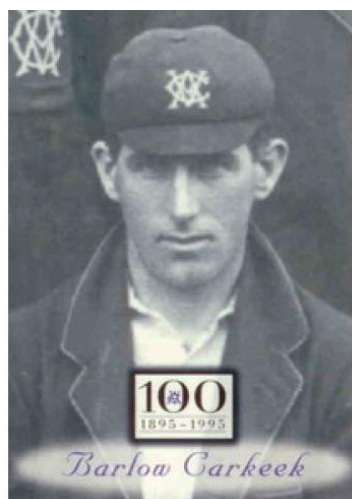
Alan Thomson

## Past Players who were Australian Test players while representing other Clubs:

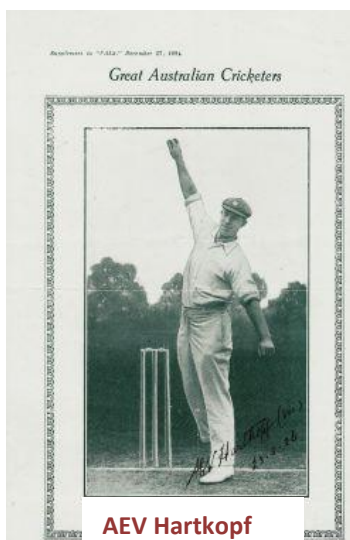
GHS "Harry" Trott 1888-1898 (24 tests)  
 W Carkeek 1912 (6 tests)  
 AEV Hartkopf (Dr) 1924-25 (1 test)  
 LJ Nash 1931-32 to 1936-37 (2 tests)  
 J Moroney 1949-50 to 1950-51 (7 tests)  
 PJ Allan 1965-66 (1 test)  
 LR Joslin 1967-68 (1 test)



Les Joslin



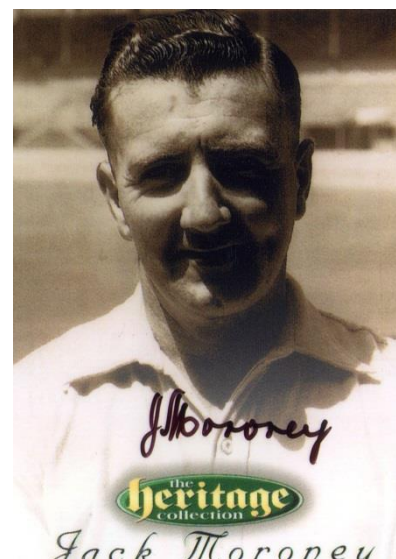
Laurie Nash



AEV Hartkopf



Harry Trott



Jack Moroney

## Test Players For Other Countries who represented the Club:

**RJ Bailey**, England, 1988 to 1989 (4 tests), Fitzroy 1985-86 (currently a Test Umpire)  
**JP Stephenson**, England, 1989 (1 test), Fitzroy 1983-84 & 1987-88 (currently Head of Cricket for Marylebone Cricket Club, Lords)  
**RS Mahanama**, Sri Lanka, 1992 to 1997 (52 tests), Fitzroy 1985-86 & 1988-89 (until recently a member of ICC Elite Panel of Match Referees)  
**AD Hales**, England, 2015-17 (11 tests), Fitzroy Doncaster 2016-17, current international player



Robert Bailey



Roshan Mahanama



John Stephenson



Alex Hales

# RYDER MEDALLISTS



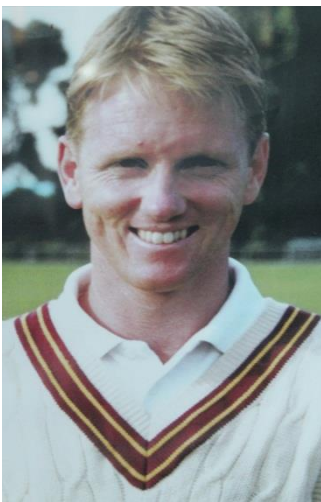
**1991-92 M.W. RIDGWAY**

**44 WKTS, AV. 21.18  
302 RUNS, AV. 23.23**



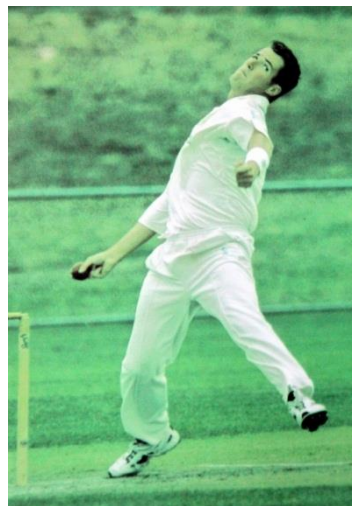
**1993-94 G.M. WATTS**

**907 RUNS, AV. 53.35**



**1995-96 B.A. JOYCE**

**915 RUNS, AV. 76.25**



**2002-03 C.B.D. STREET**

**67 WKTS, AV. 14.62  
284 RUNS, AV. 17.75**



**2017-18 T.L. LAWFORD**

**62 WKTS, AV. 13.24  
296 RUNS, AV. 24.67**

# TOP 20'S & CLUB RECORDS

## GAMES PLAYED

1.	GM WATTS	322
2.	WL JACOBS	265
3.	LJ WATTS	253
4.	R HARVEY	247
5.	PJ DICKSON	246
6.	AE LIDDICUT	237
7.	LR MASH	236
8.	EP ILLINGWORTH	233
9.	BA JOYCE	216
10.	AJ MELBOURNE	215
11.	MR HARVEY	207
12.	TV SHEEHAN	204
13.	RW WATTS	201
14.	HJ PLANT	194
15.	E ALAVI	182
16.	FD CHAPMAN	182
17.	C KIERNAN	181
18.	AJW LANSDOWN	174
19.	DP RUMBLE	167
20.	HC LANSDOWN	167

## RUNS SCORED

1.	GM WATTS	12,933
2.	R HARVEY	9146
3.	PJ DICKSON	8848
4.	BA JOYCE	7442
5.	LR MASH	7390
6.	LJ WATTS	6889
7.	MR HARVEY	6602
8.	AE LIDDICUT	6585
9.	C KIERNAN	6242
10.	TV SHEEHAN	5547
11.	AJW LANSDOWN	4589
12.	R FURLONG	4539
13.	RW WATTS	4471
14.	WA TARRANT	4421
15.	HC LANSDOWN	4298
16.	DR PLUMPTON	4290
17.	RN HARVEY	4044
18.	DJ ANDERSON	4044
19.	JW SCAIFE	3907
20.	HAE SHILLINGLAW	3801

**PJ DICKSON** also scored 1197 runs in 52 games for Melbourne CC, making him one of the elite few to have scored over 10,000 runs in Premier Cricket. He also took 200 wickets (FDCC 181, MCC 19) at 22.96.

## WICKETS TAKEN

1.	EP ILLINGWORTH	599
2.	AE LIDDICUT	542
3.	WH CANNON	494
4.	R MITCHELL	387
5.	EA MCDONALD	360
6.	C ADAMS	350
7.	HJ PLANT	325
8.	AL THOMSON	322
9.	J FREDERICK	300
10.	HAE SHILLINGLAW	299
11.	BJ WATERMAN	284
12.	K PETERS	282
13.	FD CHAPMAN	276
14.	CBD STREET	266
15.	E ALAVI	259
16.	AJ MELBOURNE	250
17.	TV CONSIDINE	247
18.	BT CONSIDINE	242
19.	MW SIEVERS	239
20.	JP FAGG	235

## WICKETKEEPING

1.	WL JACOBS	448 (279 C 169 ST)
2.	DP RUMBLE	276 (253 C 23 ST)
3.	LR BANTHORPE	233 (217 C 16 ST)
4.	JRH WOODFORD	161 (83 C 78 ST)
5.	BA KLINE	148 (108 C 40 ST)
6.	JM AUGUSTIN	123 (106 C 17 ST)
7.	DS BERRY	117 (92 C 25 ST)
8.	AB DYER	110 (100 C 10 ST)
9.	SJ STREET	99 (83 C 16 ST)
10.	LA WYNNE	83 (71 C 12 ST)
11.	RJ SACRISTANI	77 (76 C 1 ST)
12.	RW FURLONG	76 (70 C 6 ST)
13.	JB KLINE	73 (69 C 4 ST)
14.	KJ KEARNEY	70 (66 C 4 ST)
15.	JA ATKINSON	69 (52 C 17 ST)
16.	C DART	55 (39 C 16 ST)
17.	SC CAMPBELL	47 (28 C 19 ST)
18.	CM REARDON	46 (38 C 6 ST)
19.	PJ ROACH	46 (44 C 2 ST)
20.	JJ MULLENS	44 (33 C 11 ST)

## GAMES RECORD:

G.M. Watts 322

## BATTING RECORDS:

Highest Aggregate-Career: G.M. Watts 12,933  
Highest Aggregate-Season: B.A. Joyce 958 - 2001/2002  
Highest Individual-Score: G.M. Watts 260no v. Dandenong 1994/95

## PARTNERSHIP RECORDS:

Wkts	Runs	Batsmen	Versus	Season
1	216	C. McKenzie (123) & C. Kiernan (121)	Ess	1911/12
2	278	M.J. Bremner (122) & P.J. Dickson (162)	C/Mag	2011/12
3	259*	J.W. Scaife (172no) & L.A. Wynne (109no)	N.M.	1933/34
4	242	J. Potter (170) & D.J. Anderson (78)	H.E.M.	1967/68
5	204	C.J. Dart (177) & D. Martin (84)	N.M.	1968/69
6	166	D.R. Plumpton (103no) & M.R. Hague (86)	Ring	1997/98
7	140*	E. Tait (103no) & G. Brosnan (57no)	N'cote	1919/20
8	166	W. Carkeek (80) & L. Cogle (81no)	S. Melb	1899/00
9	166	J.L. Travaglia (68) & B.J. Waterman (102no)	Uni	2003/04
10	107	L.A. Childs (104) & S.J. Street (10no)	C/Mag	1999/00

## BOWLING RECORDS:

Highest Aggregate-Career: E.P. Illingworth 599  
Highest Aggregate-Season: C.B.D. Street 67 Avg 14.63 2002-03  
Best Analysis-Innings: M.W. Sievers 9/34 v. Melbourne 1941/42  
(H.A.E. Shillinglaw 9/38 v. Prahran 1953/4)  
Best Analysis-Match: A.E. Liddicut 14/49 (8/26 & 6/23) v. Prah 1929/30

## WICKET-KEEPING RECORDS:

Most Victims-Career: W.L. Jacobs 448 (279 ct 169 st)  
Most Victims-Season: P.J. Roach 46 (44 ct 2 st) 2005-06  
L.R. Banthorpe 46 (43 ct 3 st) 2017-18  
Most Victims-Innings: W.L. Jacobs 6 (4 ct 2 st) v. St. K. 1939/40  
J.B. Kline 6 (6 ct) v. St. K. 1989/90  
L.R. Banthorpe 6 (5 ct 1 st) v. G'vale 2017/18  
Most Victims-Match: L.R. Banthorpe 8 (7c ct 1 st) v. G'vale 2017/18  
B.A. Kline 7 (4 ct 3 st) v. N.M. 1960/1 (SF)  
W.L. Jacobs 7 (4 ct 3 st) v. N.Melb. 1940/1  
W.L. Jacobs 7 (4 ct 3 st) v. H.E.M. 1939/40  
W.L. Jacobs 7 (5 ct 2 st) v. St. K 1951/2(SF)  
W.L. Jacobs 7 (1 ct 6 st) v. Ess. 1941/42

# INTER-CLUB CUPS

## THE DOUG RUMBLE CUP



Doug Rumble was a wicketkeeper who played 187 games for Fitzroy and Melbourne University. He was born in 1955 and played his first game in 1970 at the age of 15, keeping to the likes of Eddie Illingworth and 'Froggy' Thomson, the most feared opening bowling combination in district cricket. He made 1658 runs and took 286 catches and 25 stumpings during his career. During his career he also played two seasons at Melbourne University CC while doing studies to become a PE teacher. After returning to Fitzroy he

became captain coach of the club for 2 seasons in the early 1980s.

Doug was tragically killed in a skiing accident in 1986, just before the commencement of the first season of the amalgamated Fitzroy Doncaster CC, leaving behind his wife Glenda and two young children, Jessica and Thomas, and robbing FDCC of a great clubman.

Such was the respect of both Fitzroy and Melbourne University clubs for Doug that they now play for the Doug Rumble Cup each time they meet. Doug earned this respect not only for the way he went about his cricket but the qualities he possessed as a person. On the field you knew that if the side was in trouble he would be the one

fighting back in the lower order to get the side out of trouble. Off the field he was a great clubman, who was only too keen to help others, but was also the first to enjoy a laugh and a joke with his mates. He was respected by both his team-mates and opposition alike, and was probably one of the most popular players in the game. So it is a very important Cup for both Clubs to honour Doug's memory and his contribution, and to encourage those qualities in the current generation of players. The trophy is kept by the winning club for the season and then presented to the next winner at the conclusion of each Fitzroy Doncaster vs Melbourne University game.

### Holders of the Doug Rumble Cup

1986-87 to 1988-89	Melbourne University CC
1989-90	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
1990-91 to 1991-92	Melbourne University CC
1992-93	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
1993-94	Match Drawn
1994-95	Melbourne University CC
1995-96	Match Drawn
1996-97 to 1999-2000	Melbourne University CC
2000-01 to 2003-04	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2004-05	Melbourne University CC
2005-06 to 2006-07	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2007-08	Melbourne University CC
2008-09	Match Drawn
2009-10	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2010-11	Melbourne University CC
2011-12 to 2012-13	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2013-14 to 2014-15	Melbourne University CC
2015-16 to 2018-19	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2019-20	Melbourne University CC
2020-21	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2021-22	Melbourne University CC

# THE ILLINGWORTH/MADDOCKS CUP

This Cup commemorates champions from two clubs, Eddie Illingworth from Fitzroy, and Dick Maddocks from North Melbourne.

Eddie Illingworth played 233 games for Fitzroy over 21 seasons, taking 599 wickets and making 2666 runs. He also played 5 games for Victoria. Eddie was inducted as one of the Club's first Legends at our 150 year function in 2013.

Dick Maddocks played 224 games for North Melbourne over 19 seasons, making 7402 runs and taking 43 wickets. He won the batting average a record 10 times. He also played 21 games for Victoria from 1948-57. He also played five games of VFL football for North Melbourne in 1948.

Both played the game in great spirit, highly competitive on the field, but the best of friends after play had closed. Eddie and Dick shared many an hour talking cricket and life after the game.

After Dick Maddocks died in 1968 at the age of 40, a Cup in the name of these two great champions was created to be played for each season, originally by Fitzroy CC and North Melbourne CC. It is now contested between Fitzroy Doncaster CC and Greenvale Kangaroos CC.



Eddie Illingworth



Dick Maddocks

## Holders of Illingworth/Maddocks Cup

1977-78	Match Drawn
1978-79 to 1981-82	Fitzroy CC
1982-83	North Melbourne CC
1983-84	Fitzroy CC
1984-85	North Melbourne CC
1985-86	Fitzroy CC
1986-87	North Melbourne/Geelong CC
1987-88	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
1988-89	North Melbourne CC
1989-90	Washed Out
1990-91	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
1991-92	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
1992-93	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
1993-94	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
1994-95	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
1995-96	North Melbourne CC
1996-97	Washed Out
1997-98	North Melbourne CC
1998-99	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
1999-2000	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2000-01	North Melbourne CC
2001-02	Match Tied
2002-03	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2003-04	North Melbourne CC
2004-05	North Melbourne CC
2005-06	Match Drawn
2006-07	DID NOT PLAY EACH OTHER
2007-08	North Melbourne CC
2008-09	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2009-10	North Melbourne CC
2010-11	Match Drawn
2011-12	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2012-13	North Melbourne CC
2013-14	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2014-15	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2015-16	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2017-18	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2018-19	DID NOT PLAY EACH OTHER
2019-20	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2020-21	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2021-22	Fitzroy Doncaster CC



# THE JOHN SCHOLES TROPHY

John Scholes was a champion player for Carlton and Fitzroy Doncaster. He played a record 396 games of Premier Cricket (278 for Carlton and 118 for Fitzroy Doncaster) in a career that spanned 31 seasons, making 12,693 runs, which was the record at that time and has only been surpassed by Gary Watts and Warren Ayres since. His career included a record 9 VCA Finals, winning 5 premierships (4 at Carlton and 1 at Fitzroy Doncaster). He scored an amazing 620 runs at 77.50 in those finals.



John also played for Victoria in 62 first class matches making his debut in 1968-69 aged just 18. He became captain of the Victorian team aged just 21. He made 3201 runs for Victoria, and was 12<sup>th</sup> man a record 21 times. He later coached the Victorian team, leading them to the Mercantile Mutual Cup in 1998-99, and 2 consecutive Shield Finals from 1999-2001, and served as Chairman of Selectors for a period as well.

John also played VFL football for North Melbourne from the age of 17, playing 30 games from 1967-1971 and kicking 35 goals.

John came to Fitzroy Doncaster as Captain-Coach after his long and successful career at Carlton. The Fitzroy Doncaster Premiership in 1993-94 that John led was the first for the Club since the amalgamation in 1986. His mentoring led to several of the players having their personal best seasons that year.

John died in July 2003 aged 53, leaving his wife Diane, and children Adam and Shannen. His loss was keenly felt by all in the cricket community and by both of his clubs in particular.

Cricket Victoria recognised his amazing record in finals by naming the award to the Player of the Premier Final the "John Scholes Medal". The Clubs also recognised his career, and a Trophy named in his honour is now keenly contested each time Carlton and Fitzroy Doncaster meet.

## Holders of the John Scholes Trophy

2003-04	Carlton CC
2004-05	Washed out (rd 5)
2004-05	Carlton CC
2005-06	Carlton CC
2005-06	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2006-07	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2006-07 (SF)	Carlton CC
2007-08	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2008-09	Match Drawn
2008-09 (SF)	Carlton CC
2009-10	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2010-11	Match Drawn
2011-12 to 2014-15	Carlton CC
2015-16	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2016-17	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2017-18	Match Drawn (rd 13)
2017-18	Fitzroy Doncaster CC (rd 18)
2018-19	Carlton CC
2019-20	Carlton CC
2020-21	Carlton CC
2020-21 (QF)	Fitzroy Doncaster CC
2021-22	Carlton CC

# FITZROY DONCASTER CRICKET CLUB HALL OF FAME & LEGENDS

In 2013 at the Club's 150 year celebrations, an inaugural Hall of Fame, comprising 11 players and one administrator were inducted. Those selected covered periods from 1900 to World War II, Post-War until Fitzroy's amalgamation with Doncaster, and post-amalgamation. Three of those selected were inducted as Club Legends. All of those who attended the 150 year function will remember how successful that evening was.

In 2015, we held a second Hall of Fame/Legends function, where seven new Hall of Fame inductees and two more Legends were recognised. At the third function in 2017, six more Hall of Fame members and two Club Legends were inducted.

However, such functions are not only to recognise those who will be inducted, but most importantly also, for all past players and supporters to get together and relive past times and friendships, thereby emulating the success of the inaugural function.

This Club has a rich history in its existence of over 150 years. We have had many players represent our country, the latest of course being Glenn Maxwell.

In selecting the Hall of Fame and Legend inductees, the Committee was keen that the three eras used for the inaugural Hall of Fame were covered. Consideration was given primarily to players' performances for the Club, but also to players who achieved representation at national and state level, as well as those who have made substantial contributions off the field as administrators.

Having said that, the on field criteria that were used by the selectors were:

- Players had retired for at least 5 years;
- Players had to play at least 100 games, including representative games;
- In the case of a batsman, a minimum of 4500 runs was achieved;
- In the case of a bowler, a minimum of 300 wickets;
- In the case of an all-rounder a points system was used.

The committee also took into consideration the conditions the players endured in different eras, for example uncovered wickets.

The inductees as Club Legends and the Hall of Fame for 2012-13, 2014-15, 2016-17 and 2019-20 are:

## HALL OF FAME 2012-13 INDUCTEES

### E.A. 'TED' MCDONALD

1st X1 career: 1912-13 to 1929-30 (11 seasons; 89 matches). Right arm fast bowler. 360 wickets, average 15.39.

1<sup>st</sup> Class Career: Appeared in 281 matches including 22 first-class matches for Victoria, and in 11 Test Matches.

In all first-class cricket captured 1395 wickets, average 20.76 and 2661 runs, average 10.40. In Tests, took 43 wickets at 33.27 and made 116 runs at 16.57 McDonald was one of Australia's greatest bowlers, forming an outstanding opening partnership with Jack Gregory. Named as one of Wisden's Five Cricketers of the Year in 1922.



### A.E. LIDDICUT

1st X1 career: 1914-15 to 1936-37 (23 seasons; 167 matches). All-rounder. 6855 runs, average 35.40 with 13 centuries; 542 wickets, average 17.09. Led Fitzroy to its first premiership in 1930-31.

1<sup>st</sup> Class Career: Scored 2503 runs at 31.28 with 3 centuries, and took 133 wickets at 27.56. Appeared in 54 matches for Victoria and toured New Zealand with the Australian team in 1920-21.

Long-serving Club committeeman and delegate to the Victorian Cricket Association for 39 years. VCA Pennant Committee member for 29 years, including 21 as Chairman.

Probably the Club's greatest servant.

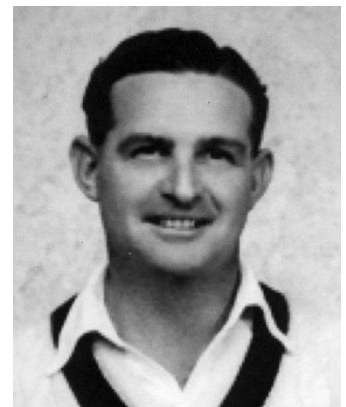


### M.R. HARVEY

1st X1 career: 1933-34 to 1954-55 (21 seasons; 207 matches). Aggressive right-hand opening batsman. 6602 runs, average 29.21, with 4 centuries. Captain for 5 seasons between 1948-49 and 1952-53. Member of 1938-39, 1939-40 and 1953-54 premiership teams.

1<sup>st</sup> Class Career: 1147 runs, average 38.20 with 3 centuries. Appeared in 20 matches for Victoria and 1 Test Match in 1947 (43 runs at 21.50).

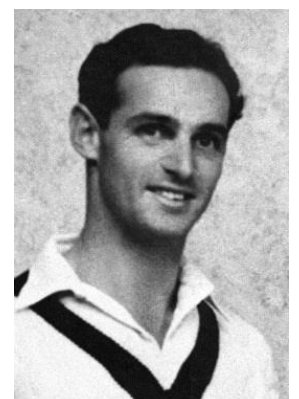
A gifted player whose international career was interrupted by the war.



### R. HARVEY

1st X1 career: 1941-42 to 1960-61 (20 seasons; 247 matches) All-rounder. Middle-order right-hand batsman. 9146 runs, average 36.29 with 19 centuries; Leg-break bowler. 217 wickets, average 20.98. Member of 1953-54 and 1960-61 premiership teams.

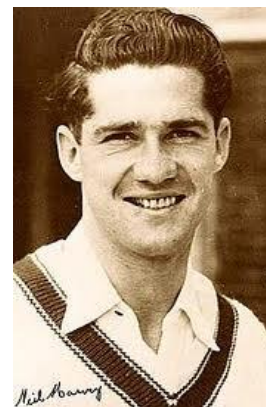
1<sup>st</sup> Class Career: Appeared in 40 matches for Victoria. 1970 runs, average 30.78 with 3 centuries and 5 wickets at 65.20 Stalwart Fitzroy player who came close to representing Australia.



## R.N. HARVEY

1st X1 career: 1943-44 (aged 15) to 1956-57 (13 seasons; 104 matches)  
Exceptionally talented left-handed batsman. 4044 runs, average 37.10 with 8 centuries.

1<sup>st</sup> Class Career: Appeared in 306 matches including 64 for Victoria and in 79 Test Matches (1 as captain). In all first-class cricket scored 21,699 runs, average 50.90 with 67 centuries and took 30 wickets at 36.86. In Tests, scored 6149 runs at 48.41 with 21 centuries and took 3 wickets at 40.00. Named as one of Wisden's Five Cricketers of the Year in 1954.  
Fitzroy's greatest batsman.



## W.L. JACOBS

1st X1 career: 1937-38 to 1955-56 (19 seasons; 265 matches). Captain/coach of 1953-54 premierships team. Member of 1938-39 and 1939-40 premierships teams.  
Superb wicket-keeper: 265 catches; 170 stumpings.  
Right-hand batsman: 2765 runs, average 15.27, with 1 century.  
Holds record for most consecutive 1st X1 appearances - 215 - in Melbourne district cricket.  
Committee member, VCA delegate and Victorian Selector for many years, as well as President from 1959-61.  
Manager, Australian Tours to South Africa (1966-67), West Indies (1973), and Rest of World team in Australia (1971-72).



## J. POTTER

1st X1 career: 1954-55 to 1967-68 (11 seasons; 95 matches)  
Polished right-handed batsman: 3609 runs, average 40.10, with 9 centuries.

1st Class Career: Appeared in 81 matches for Victoria, scoring 6142 runs at 41.20 with 14 centuries and 31 wickets at 41.51. Toured New Zealand in 1959-60 & England in 1964 with the Australian team.

An inspiring captain for 8 seasons. Led Fitzroy to premierships in 1960-61 and 1966-67.



## E.P. ILLINGWORTH

1st X1 career: 1957-58 to 1977-78 (21 seasons; 233 matches).

Tenacious pace-bowler & hard-hitting tail-end batsman: 2666 runs, average 14.03; 599 wickets, average 18.60.  
Member of 1960-61 and 1966-67 premierships teams.  
599 wickets is a Club record unlikely to be surpassed.

1<sup>st</sup> Class Career: Appeared in 5 matches for Victoria.  
153 runs, average 17.20, 15 Wickets at 27.60



## G.M. WATTS

1st X1 career 1975-76 to 2000-01 (26 seasons; 322 matches)

Prolific left-hand opening batsman. 25 centuries,

12,933 runs, average 42.26.

Member 1993-94 premiership team and Ryder Medallist in the same season.

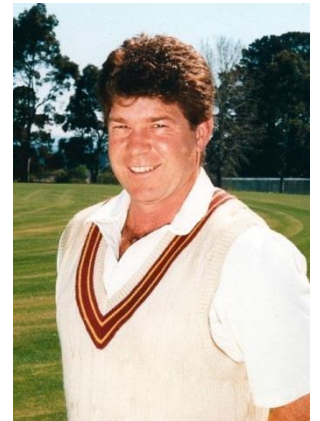
1<sup>st</sup> Class Career: Appeared in 67 matches for Victoria, scoring 3976 runs, average 32.86 with 8 centuries.

Holds these Club records:

Most matches - 322

Most runs – 12,933

Highest score – 260no



## L.J. WATTS

1st X1 career: 1981-82 to 1999-2000 (19 seasons; 253 matches)

All-rounder. Right-hand batsman. 6889 runs, average 30.75, with 7 centuries.

Right-arm medium-pace bowler. 155 wickets, average 29.24.

Century maker and top score (131no) in 1993-94 premiership. Shared record unbroken partnership of 221 with Brendan Joyce.

Club stalwart and current Board member.



## B.A. JOYCE

1st X1 career: 1989-90 to 2003-04 (15 seasons; 216 matches)

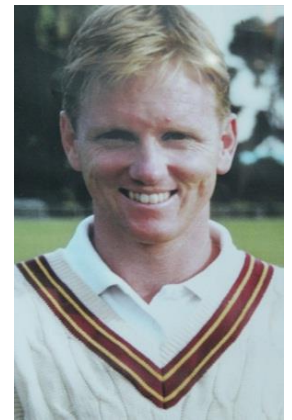
Splendidly consistent left-hand middle-order batsman. 7442 runs, average 39.37, with 12 centuries.

Holds Club record for highest season aggregate - 958 in 2001-02.

Member of 1993-94 premiership team, in which he shared record unbroken partnership of 221 with Leigh Watts.

Ryder Medallist in 1995-96.

Led the Club to a premiership in 2001-02.



## G.J. MURRAY

Following his 1st XI playing career of 70 games for StKilda, 24 for University and 66 for Footscray, has given almost 50 years' service to the Club, starting in 1965 as Coach for 8 seasons (1965-1973) and Captain of 2nd XI for 5 years (1965-70), making 2 centuries and winning the 1965-66 batting average.

Served as a Committee member for over 20 years, including as President from 1972-73 to 1983-84.

Chairman of selectors for over 20 years and VCA delegate from 1981-82 to 1990-91. Member of reconstituted Cricket Committee for past 3 years. Manager, Australian U19 Tour of England 1983 and numerous Victorian U19 Teams. A magnificent servant of the Club in many roles.

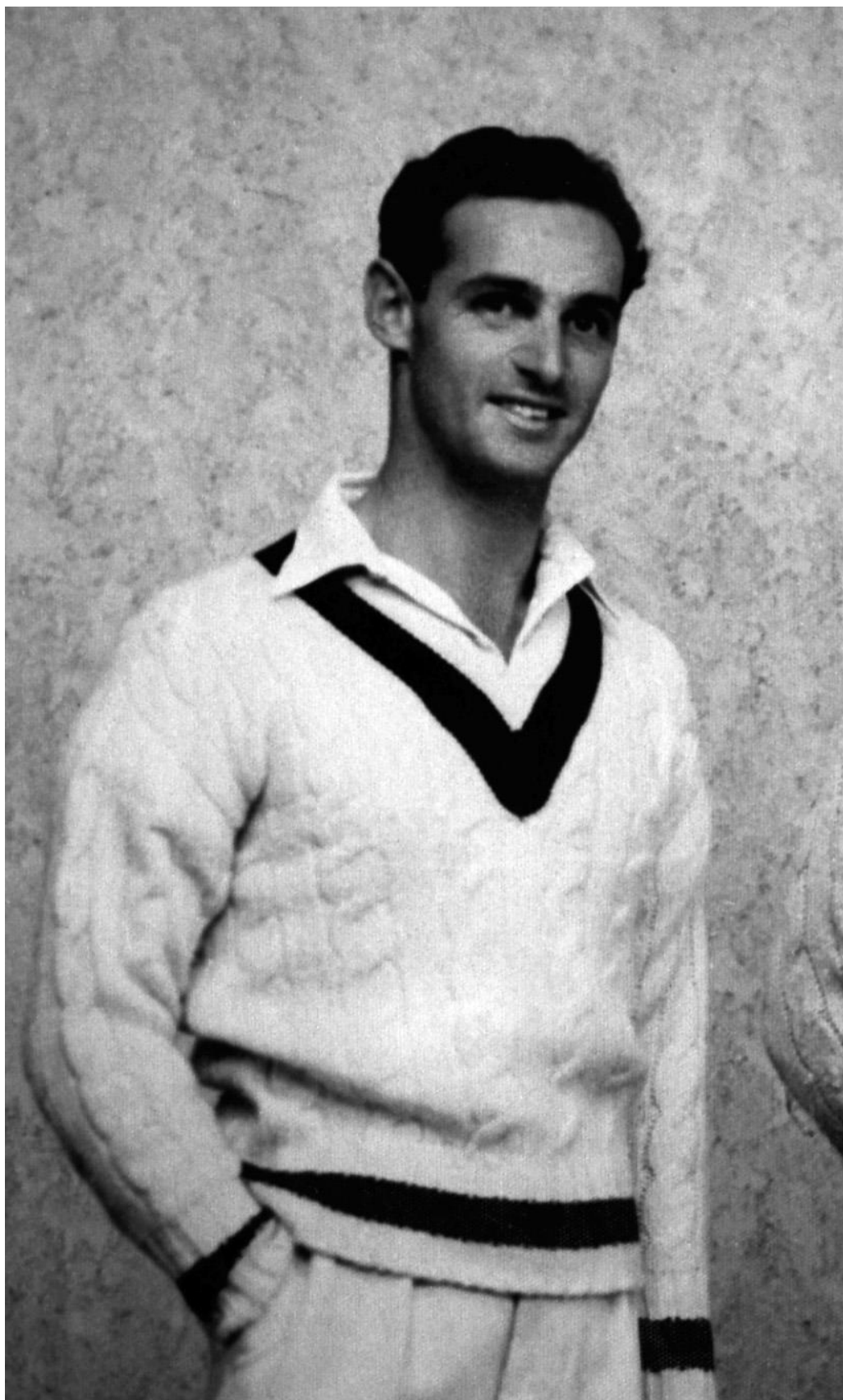


# INAUGURAL CLUB LEGENDS

2012-13 INDUCTION



A.E. LIDDICUT



**R. HARVEY**



**E.P. ILLINGWORTH**

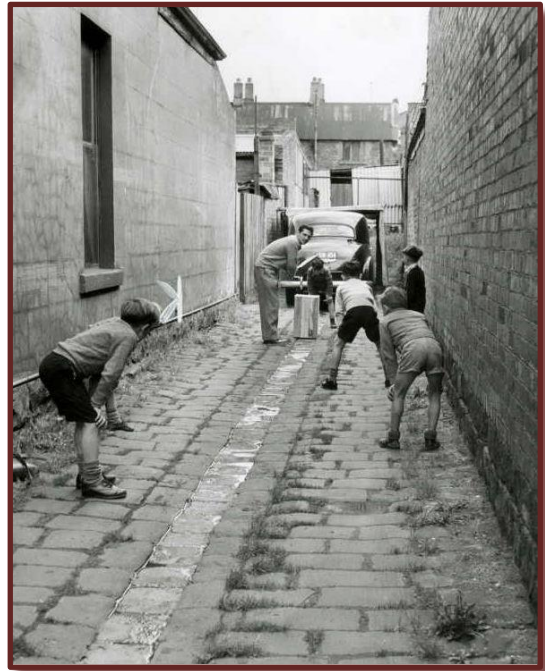


# CLUB LEGENDS 2014-15

R.N. HARVEY

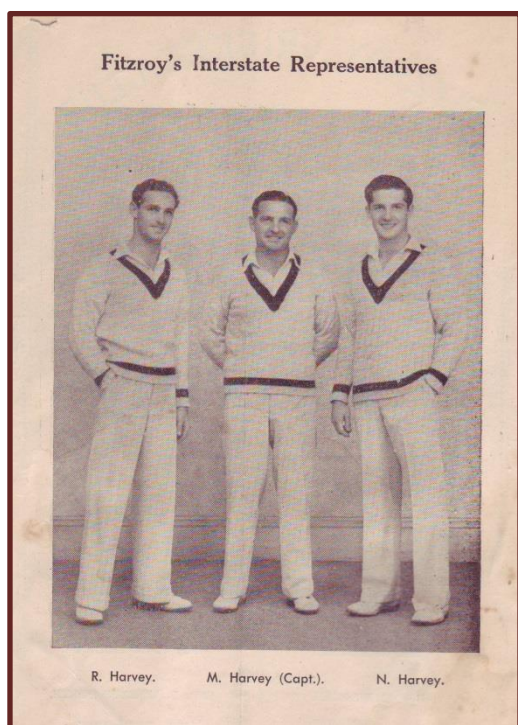


Neil Harvey grew up in Fitzroy, the second youngest in a family of six brothers and a sister. His eldest brother Mervyn also represented Australia (and is a member of the FDCC Hall of Fame), Clarrie (Mick) and Ray (also an FDCC Hall of Fame member) played for Victoria (Neil and Clarrie also played for NSW and Queensland respectively), and Harold and Brian played first grade cricket with Fitzroy. Neil learned his cricket playing with his five brothers and their friends with a marble and cut-down bat, and in the cobblestone laneway near their house. In his book, **“My World of Cricket”**, Neil says “practically every Sunday about ten of us would make up two teams for a weekly match. A tennis ball was used and naturally it would do some crazy things off the cobblestones.”



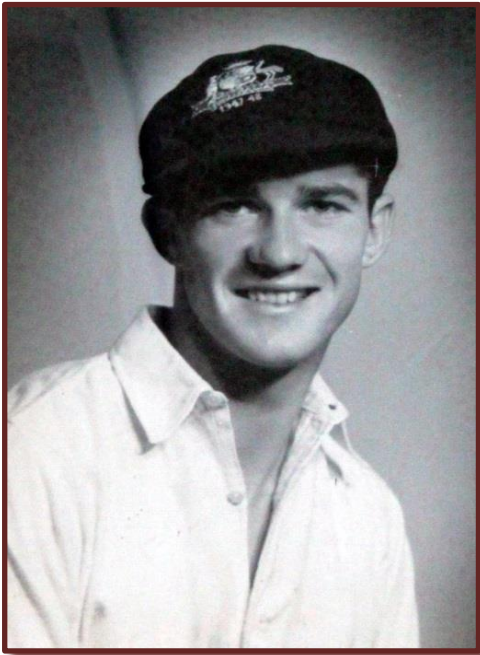
Neil followed his brothers to play for Fitzroy, and says of this in his book, “The Fitzroy Club, for which I played for 15 years, had a marvellous scheme in operation to help young cricketers make good. They donated a medallion to all schools in the surrounding area, to be given as an incentive to the leading young sportsman in each of the schools. This medallion entitled the lucky boy to share in all the facilities of the Fitzroy Club for that particular year, including the right to practise at the club nets with the leading players. Fitzroy secured some pretty useful players from the medallion winners and, if I remember correctly, all six Harvey brothers achieved that honour. I won my medallion at the age of twelve and wandered up regularly to practise on the club’s magnificent turf practice strips.”

His early coaching at Fitzroy was from Joe Plant and Arthur Liddicut. Neil says “Fitzroy had two coaches in charge at that time in Joe Plant and Arthur Liddicut.



Both had represented Victorian Sheffield Shield cricket and the club was indeed fortunate to have two such outstanding players on hand to instruct and improve the young players. I certainly have good cause to thank both of them, particularly Joe Plant, who watched my every move in those formative years.”

In 1941 in his first season, aged 13, Neil advanced from the Fifth XI to the Third XI, making 101 and 141no in the Third XI Final. After a season in the Second XI, Neil made his First XI debut aged 15. As Neil’s career advanced, a particular family thrill was in 1947, when Neil, Ray and Mervyn played together for Victoria for the first time, against NSW.



In Neil's career with Fitzroy he played 104 games, making 4044 runs at an average of 37.10 with 8 centuries.

For Victoria, Neil made 4955 runs at an average of 50.05, with 12 centuries.

In all First Class cricket he played 306 matches, making 21699 runs at an average of 50.93 with 67 centuries.

In Test cricket, he played 79 Tests and made 6149 runs at an average of 48.41 with 21 centuries.

There are many Test performances for which he will be remembered but foremost among them were his 153 against India in his second Test (an innings which made him the youngest-ever Australian to score a Test century); his 112 in the celebrated Leeds Test of 1948; his 151 in Durban in 1949-50; and his highest Test

score of 205 against South Africa in Melbourne in 1952-53. He amassed six centuries in his first 13 Test innings alone.

In later times, Neil continued to play a role at the forefront of Australian cricket as a national selector for a period of 12 years. In recognition of his string of outstanding achievements in the game, he was inducted into the Australian Cricket Hall of Fame in early 2000. He was also selected in the Australian Cricket Board's official Test Team of the 20th Century.

A further honour was the inclusion of a statue of Neil in batting pose in the MCG Avenue of Honour.

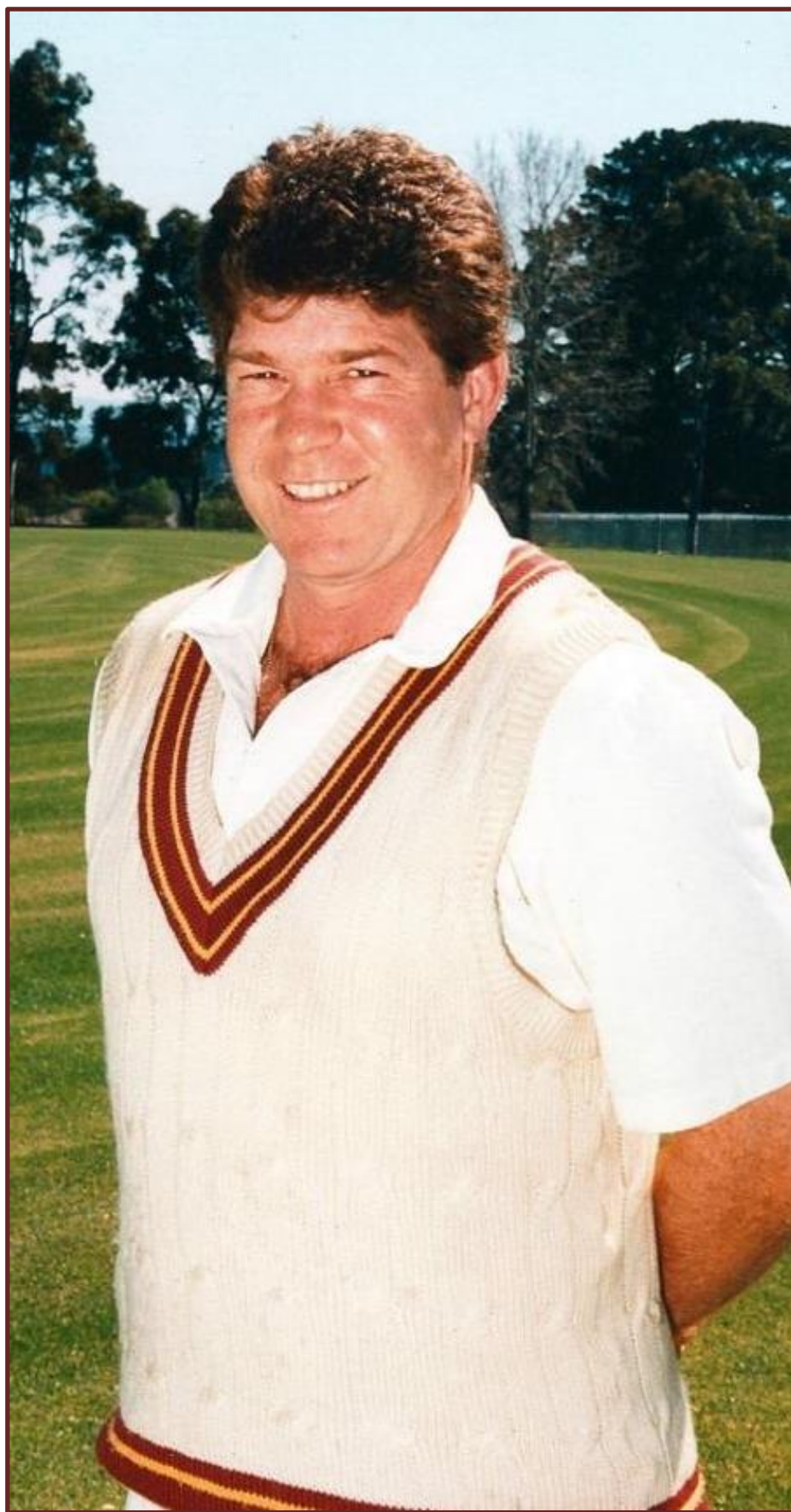


Neil Harvey using his feet while batting for Fitzroy, and on a recent visit to Brunswick St Oval



# CLUB LEGENDS 2014-15

G.M. WATTS





Gary Watts was recruited to Fitzroy while still a schoolboy living in Maryborough in central Victoria, having been spotted while playing Dowling Shield for University in 1972-73. His parents, Max and Norma, used to drive Gary down from Maryborough to play each weekend. Gary was later joined at the Club by younger brothers, Rod and Leigh. All three brothers are now in the Club's Hall of Fame.

Gary played his first game in Fitzroy's First XI in 1975-76, aged 17.

Gary represented Victoria in the U19 cricket carnival in 1976-77, and still holds a record of 7 dismissals while substituting as a wicketkeeper. He also represented the Australian U19 team on a Tour of England in 1977.

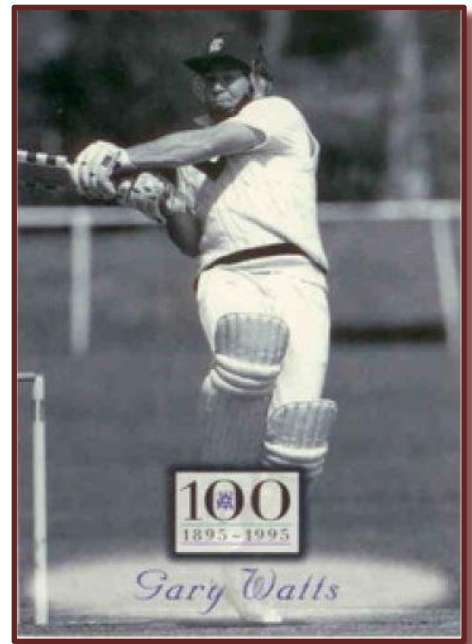
He quickly made his mark for Fitzroy as a prolific left-handed opening batsman, and was in the Victorian State team by 1977-78. His first game was at the MCG against NSW, where he ran out Test batsman Peter Toohey.

In his First Class cricket career, Gary played 67 games from 1977-91 for Victoria, making 3976 runs at an average of 32.85, with 8 centuries. He was a member of the 1990-91 team that won the Sheffield Shield.

His record for Fitzroy Doncaster is unsurpassed and he currently holds the club records for the most games played (322 games over 26 seasons), most runs scored (12,933), most centuries (25), and the highest individual score (260no). He also topped 50 on 75 occasions. His 12,933 runs was the highest for all time in the competition until more recently surpassed by Warren Ayres.

Gary was a member of the 1993-94 Premiership team, and in the same season won the Ryder Medal, scoring 907 runs at an average of 53.35 for the season.

Gary has been made a Life Member of the club.



## HALL OF FAME 2014-15 INDUCTEES

### M.W. SIEVERS

1st XI career: Played 77 games from 1934-35 to 1945-46, as an all-rounder. A right hand batsman making 2380 runs, average 30.12 with 4 centuries.

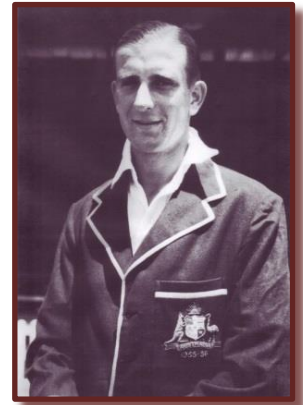
Right hand Fast-medium Bowler: 239 wkts, average 14.61, including 5WI 13 times and 10WM once.

Member of 1938-39 and 1939-40 premiership teams.

First Class career: 58 matches, making 2075 runs, average 29.64 and taking 116 wkts at 33.36 including 5WI on 4 occasions

Member of 1935-36 Touring Team to South Africa.

3 Test matches in 1936-37, making 67 runs, average 13.40 and 9 wkts, average 17.89 with 5WI once.



### H.J. PLANT

1st X1 career 1927-28 to 1947-48 (19 seasons; 194 matches)

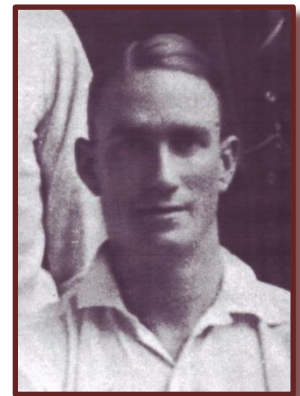
Genuine all-rounder. Left hand batsman, 3,421 runs, average 23.75 with 3 centuries.

Right hand off spinner, 325 wkts, average 18.35 with a best of 6/18 and 5WI on 12 occasions

Long serving captain, including captaining 2 premierships, in 1938-39 and 1939-40.

Noted coach of the Club. Later coached South Melbourne.

1<sup>st</sup> Class Career: Appeared in 20 matches for Victoria from 1932-36.



### A.L. THOMSON

1st X1 career 1964-65 to 1975-76 (12 seasons; 113 matches)

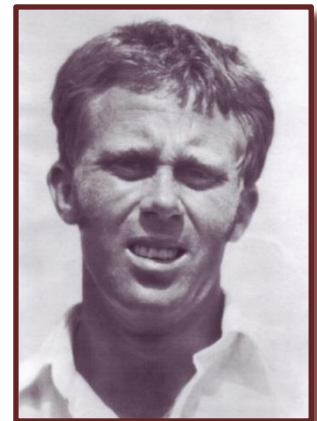
Right hand opening bowler, 322 wkts, average 17.67, including 5WI 19 times.

Member of 1966-67 premiership team, taking 6/72 in the Final

First Class Career: 44 matches, taking 184 wkts, average 26.72, including 5WI on 12 occasions. Member of Australian Touring Team to New Zealand 1969-70.

4 Tests, taking 12 wkts, average 54.50

Played in the first ODI, taking the very first ODI wicket.



### R.W. FURLONG

1st X1 career 1955-56 to 1968-69 (12 seasons; 133 matches)

Left hand opening batsman, 4,539 runs, average 32.89 with 8 centuries. Occasional wicketkeeper.

Member of 1960-61 and 1966-67 premiership teams.

1<sup>st</sup> Class Career: Appeared in 31 matches for Victoria from 1956-63, scoring 1722 runs, average 32.49 with 1 century.



## **R.W. WATTS**

1st X1 career 1977-78 to 1991-92 (15 seasons; 201 matches)

An all-rounder. Left hand batsman, 4,471 runs, average 26.77 with 3 centuries.

Right hand medium-fast bowler, 176 wkts, average 26.77 including 5WI twice.

Represented Victorian 2nd XI, Australian U19 and Victorian U19 teams



## **C.B.D. STREET**

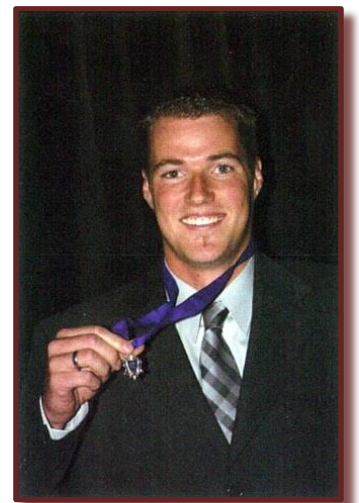
1st X1 career 1999-2000 to 2005-06 (7 seasons; 126 matches)

Right hand opening bowler, 266 wkts, average 20.72 including 5WI 8 times and 10WM once.

Right hand batsman, 1544 runs, average 19.06.

Member of 2001-02 premiership team.

Ryder Medallist 2002-03, taking 67 wkts, average 14.62



## **W. BARR**

Became a member of the Club in 1887-88.

In 1890, he was elected to the Committee and through his efforts facilitated the obtaining of extra ground for the laying of tennis courts, extra bowling rinks, the football stand, and the grant of 5 acres of ground at Merri Park, which was subsequently named the William Barr Oval, and was home to the lower XIs until Fitzroy amalgamated with Doncaster CC in 1986.

He was elected President of the Club in 1914, and held that position until 1951, a period of 37 years. In all, he served on the Committee for 60 years, a remarkable record.

He was also a delegate to the Victorian Cricket Association and Chairman of the Ground's Management Association.



# CLUB LEGEND 2016-17

W.L. JACOBS







Bill Jacobs played 265 games for Fitzroy over 19 seasons, playing in 3 premierships, 1938-39, 1939-40, and was Captain-coach of the 1953-54 premiership team. He was a superb wicketkeeper, taking 265 catches and making 170 stumpings. He also made 2765 runs at an average of 15.27, with one century and 4 half-centuries. He holds the record for the most consecutive 1<sup>st</sup> XI games – 215. He also played 7 matches for Victorian

XIs during the 1940s. Off the field Bill served on the Club Committee, was a Cricket Victoria delegate and a Victorian selector for many seasons. He was President from 1959-61, including for the 1960-61 premiership, which was captained by Jack Potter.

Bill was also appointed Manager of Bob Simpson's Australian Team that toured South Africa in 1966-67. He was also appointed Manager of the Rest of the World XI, captained by Sir Garfield Sobers, which toured Australia in 1971-72 when the proposed tour by South Africa had to be cancelled. The team comprised 3 West Indians, 4 South Africans, 3 Englishmen, 3 Pakistanis, 3 Indians and 1 New Zealander, and was staged while India and Pakistan were at war! Bill was also Manager of Ian Chappell's Australian team of 1973, which toured the West Indies and went through the tour undefeated. It would be many years until another team could defeat the West Indies on their home soil.

Bill was also a founding member of the Cricket Victoria 200 Club and a Life Member of Cricket Victoria.

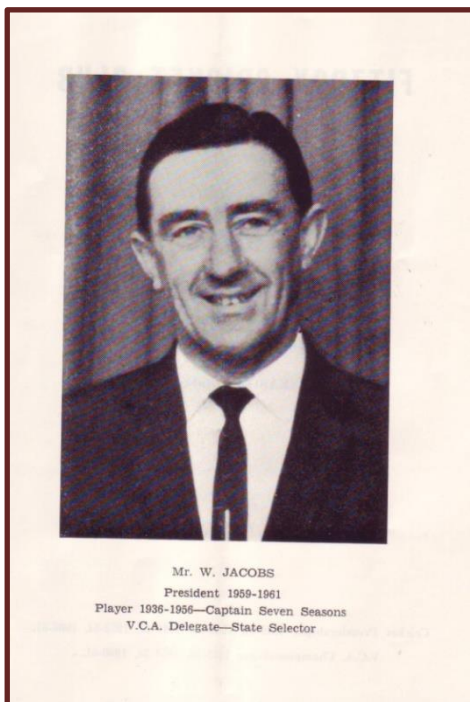
Bill was also a footballer, playing for Brunswick in the VFA and in 1941 for Fitzroy Reserves. In 1944, Fitzroy's last football premiership, Bill served as the Cricket Club's representative on the football club committee.

Bill became a famous football and cricket commentator on 3AW for 34 years, including calling 27 consecutive Grand Finals. He called VFA football on Channel 10 with Phil Gibbs.

He was a cricket commentator on Channel 9 during the 1960s with Tony Charlton, covering the 1963-64 South African Tour. He won a number of AFL and Cricket Victoria media awards over his career.

During the 1977 Centenary Test he was official TV interviewer with special guests during breaks in play. He also pioneered lunchtime entertainment at cricket matches

in the 1970s, with events including the footballers mile, hit the pin for golfers, etc.



# CLUB LEGEND 2016-17

J. POTTER

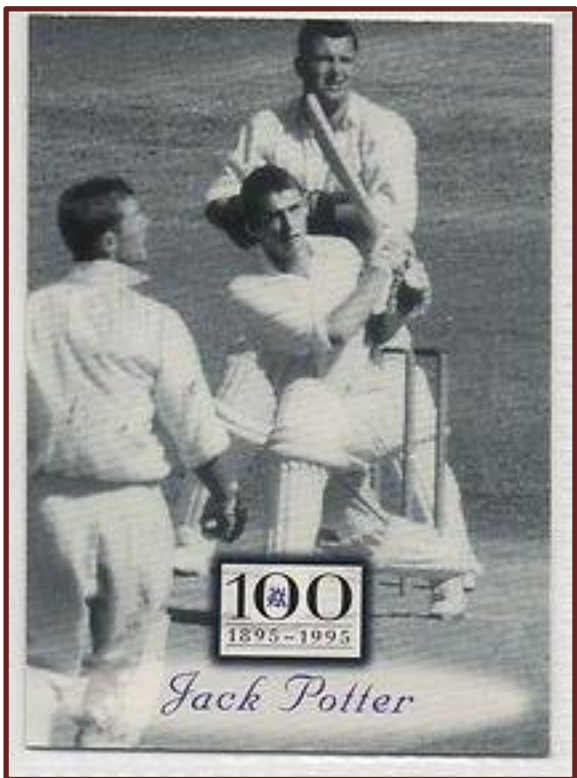


**JACK POTTER**

Members were very pleased when the Australian team to tour England in 1964 was chosen and the name of Jack Potter was included in the seventeen. Jack played his first game with the Fitzroy First Eleven in 1954-55 and was first chosen for his State in 1957. He has played 54 Sheffield Shield matches in which he has scored 2,874 runs. In 1959-60 he was selected in the Australian Team to tour New Zealand. In all first class cricket, prior to the commencement of the present tour, Jack had scored 4,020 runs, including 11 centuries with a top score of 156. As yet, he has not played in a Test match but it is hoped that he will make his appearance for Australia in the near future.



Jack Potter debuted for Fitzroy in 1954-55 aged 16 and went on to play 95 games for the Club over 11 seasons. He was a polished right hand batsman, and scored 3609 runs at an average of 40.10 with a highest score of 170 and 9 centuries.



Jack also played for Melbourne University Cricket Club while studying there, and on his return to Fitzroy in 1960-61 became captain of the Club, leading it to a Premiership in his first season as captain, aged 22. He made his first century for the Club in 1961-62, by which time he had already made 6 centuries for Victoria.

Jack made his debut for Victoria aged 18 in January 1957. Consistent scoring in 1959-60 led to his inclusion in an Australian B team to tour New Zealand. In 1963-64 he played a dominating innings of 123no against the touring South Africans and was selected in the XII for the second Test. However, he was made 12<sup>th</sup> man for the game.

In 1964 Jack was selected in the Australian touring team to England, however, while he

was 12<sup>th</sup> man again for the First Test, he did not play a Test during the tour. Towards the end of the tour Jack fractured his skull during a one-day match in the Netherlands. He was therefore unable to tour India and Pakistan along with the rest of the team, where he was likely to have made his Test debut, given that the other players who did not play a Test in England were all given at least one Test in India.

In 1966-67 he captained the Club to another Premiership, making a century in the Final. In the same season he captained Victoria to a Sheffield Shield win, while Bill Lawry and the Australian Team were away in South Africa. During that season he averaged 53 in interstate games and 100 for Fitzroy.

Jack's First Class record was 104 matches, 6142 runs at an average of 41.22 with 14 hundreds and 33 fifties. His highest score was 221 against NSW at the MCG in 1965-66. He also took 31 wickets at an average of 41.51 with a best of 4/20. He holds the record of being 12<sup>th</sup> man the highest number of times (3) without playing a Test.

In "Äustralian Elegance", by Marc Fiddian, the author compares the elegance of Jack's batting to Kippax and Trumper, saying "*One player who could have been in the same class as the above pair was Jack Potter, the Victorian batsman of the 1960's.....Potter, a lightly built man, scored his runs with an ease and grace that made the person on the other side of the fence grateful that they had seen him make 55 or 75. Surely a century would have crowned the innings. Indeed it would, but such a thought left you feeling utterly greedy rather than remaining thankful for what you had received. Watching Potter was an exercise in forgetting to look at the scoreboard. The focus was on his deft use of the bat, his sweetly timed drives and cuts, some majestic square drives and a neat leg-glance here and there. His hooks were so well executed that there was no sense of explosive power, yet the resultant boundary was the same*".

Jack retired from the Victorian team during the 1967-68 season, and the following season left Fitzroy to play sub-district cricket as captain-coach of Preston.

Between 1987 and 1989 he was the inaugural head coach of the Australian Cricket Academy.

## HALL OF FAME 2016-17 INDUCTEES

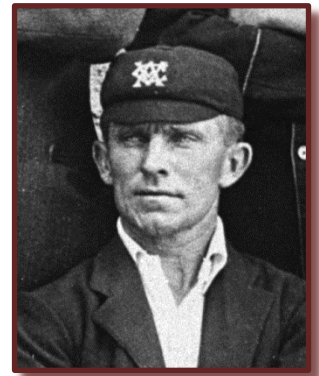
### C. KIERNAN

1st X1 career 1906-07 to 1922-23 (16 seasons; 181 matches)

Right hand batsman making 6242 runs ave. 31.84 with HS 166 (9 centuries).

Also took 72 wickets at 30.2 with a best of 6/33 and 5WI twice. Superb close in fieldsman.

Played 10 First Class games for Victoria, scoring 366 runs at 24.40 with HS 61, and taking 6 wickets at 30.00.



### D.J. ANDERSON

1st X1 career 1956-57 to 1969-70 (13 seasons; 130 matches)

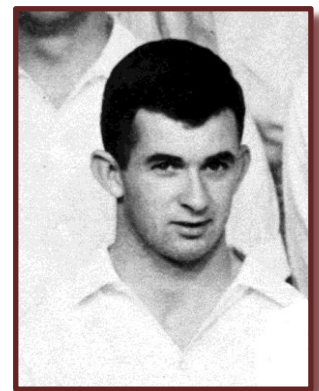
Dashing left hand opening batsman making 4044 runs ave. 30.87 with HS 132no

(1 century). Right arm leg-spin bowler who took 30 wickets at 27.8 with a best of 3/7.

Superb fieldsman in the covers.

Member of 1960-61 and 1966-67 premierships teams

Played 37 First Class games for Victoria, scoring 1829 runs at 34.50 with HS 136, and taking 9 wickets at 28.22. Vice-captain of Victorian Team for a period.



### D.P. RUMBLE

1st X1 career 1970-71 to 1985-86 (15 seasons; 167 matches)

Wicketkeeper, taking 253 catches and 23 stumpings

Right hand batsman making 1460 runs ave. 14.74 with HS 62.

Also captained and coached the Club in seasons 1981-82 and 1982-83.

Held in such high esteem by the Club and Melbourne University Cricket Club that each contest between the Clubs is played for a Trophy in his name.



## D.S. BERRY

1st X1 career 1986-87 to 1995-96 (9 seasons; 73 matches)  
Exceptional Wicketkeeper, taking 92 catches and 25 stumpings.  
Right hand batsman making 1551 runs ave. 31.02 with HS 128 (3 centuries)

Member of 1993-94 premiership team.

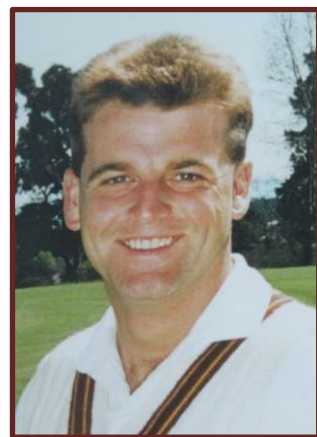
Played 153 First Class games for SA and Victoria, scoring 4273 runs at 21.58 with HS 166no (4 centuries), and taking 522 catches and 51 stumpings.

Broke record for most number of runs without conceding a bye.

Most dismissals by a wicketkeeper for Victoria.

Equalled Australian FC record of 8 dismissals in an innings.

Captained Victoria 45 times (27 FC) including to a Mercantile Mutual Cup victory.



## A.J. MELBOURNE

1st X1 career 1974-75 to 1997-98 (23 seasons; 215 matches)

Left hand orthodox bowler, 250 wkts, average 31.31, including 5WI twice, and bowling average winner 1995-96. Right hand batsman, 1641 runs, average 15.62 with HS 70.

Member of 1993-94 premiership team, taking 38 wickets that season.

Played over 400 games for the Club in all XIs and competitions.

Captained 2<sup>nd</sup> XI for a number of seasons.

Doug Rumble Memorial Trophy winner 1987-88 & 93-94

Secretary of Cricket Sub-committee & Hall of Fame Sub-committee.



## K.J. KEARNEY

1st X1 career 1951-52 to 1959-60 (8 seasons; 51 matches)

Wicketkeeper taking 66 catches and 4 stumpings

Right hand batsman making 581 runs ave. 12.10 with HS 69. Captained 2<sup>nd</sup> XI for several seasons.

Went on to serve on the Committee and in particular as Secretary of the Club from 1963-64 until 1971-72, and from 1974-75 until 1998-99, a total of 34 years, making a substantial contribution over that time. He also served several seasons as Assistant Secretary, and as a Vice-President.

Spent many years as a delegate to Cricket Victoria.



# CLUB LEGEND 2019-20

A.L. THOMSON

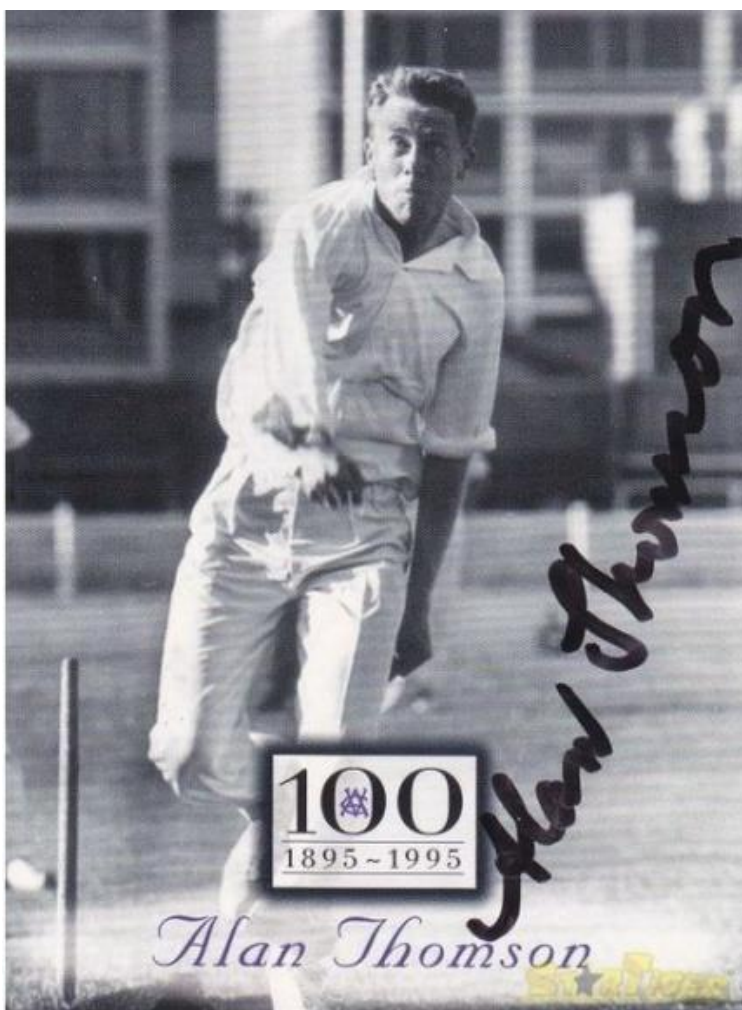


Alan Thomson was born and grew up in Reservoir, attending Northcote High School, and coming to Fitzroy Cricket Club in 1961, aged 16. He worked his way through the grades until he made the 1<sup>st</sup> XI in 1964-65. In his debut game he took 5/39 against Richmond. Alan ultimately played 113 games for Fitzroy, taking 322 wickets @ 17.67. Universally known as "Froggy" he had an unusual bowling action, which resulted in him having to do more than others to earn each promotion he achieved throughout his career.

Alan formed a great opening bowling partnership for Fitzroy with Eddie Illingworth, and opposition teams were never keen to come to Brunswick Street Oval in this era.

Alan was a key player in the Premiership in 1966-67, taking 6/72 and 2/40 in the final to bundle Essendon out for 161 and 177 to give Fitzroy (348) an outright win by an innings and 10 runs.

Alan also captained the Club for three seasons from 1973-74. The Annual Report from 1973-74 states that "In his first season as skipper of our Club, Alan Thomson set his players a fine example with his untiring efforts and dedication to the job of winning games for Fitzroy. Alan met challenges to his personal stamina as he had many long spells of bowling and his leadership brought about a return of team comradeship and spirit which has not been apparent for some time, and augurs well for the future."



In January 1969, Alan made his first class debut for Victoria against NSW in Sydney, taking 6/114 in the first innings. His next match for Victoria was against the touring West Indies side at the MCG, where he took 5/76 and 6/84. In the 1969-70 season, with the Test team away in India and South Africa, he was the outstanding players of the season, taking 55 wickets in 10 matches at an average of 18.74. Against NSW at the MCG, he took 5/54 and 8/87, his best innings and match figures for Victoria. At the end of that season Alan was selected as a member of the Australian Touring Team to New Zealand, opening the bowling in the first match against a Test-strength NZ team and taking 5 wickets.

Early in the 1970-71 season he took 6/80 and 3/101 against the touring MCC team, earning a





call up for Test cricket.

Alan played in 4 Tests, all in 1970-71 against England. The first was at the Brisbane where his only wicket was England captain Ray Illingworth. His final Test was in Adelaide where he took 2/94 and 3/79, his best Test figures. Overall he took 12 Test wickets at 54.50. Following the 1970-71 season he played only intermittently for Victoria, finishing in 1974-75.

At the end of his First Class career, Alan had played 44 matches, taking 184 wickets at 26.72, including 5 wickets in an innings 12 times. He was the fastest Victorian to take 100 wickets (16 matches); a record that still stands today.

Alan played in the first ODI match in 1971 against England, taking the first wicket (Geoff Boycott caught by Bill Lawry). It was his only wicket in the game and his only ODI. He was, however, the most economical bowler in the match taking 1/22 from 8 eight-ball overs.

Alan was also a VFL field umpire before the advent of the AFL and at a time when there was only one umpire controlling the game. While on the VFL list he umpired 6 Senior VFL games, 58 Reserves games and 94 VCFL games (including 5 grand finals), totalling 158 games in his VFL umpiring career.

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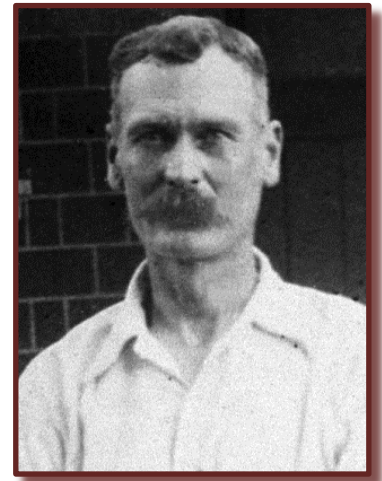
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### W.H. CANNON

1st X1 career 1908-09 to 1921-22 (14 seasons; 129 matches), debuting at age 37.

Right hand legspin bowler, 494 wkts, average 16.85, including 5WI 39 times and 10WM 7 times. Won bowling average 5 times (1910-11, 1911-12, 1912-13, 1914-15, 1916-17).

Played 7 First Class games, taking 23 wickets @ 25.21. Made his First Class debut in 1912-13 aged 41yr 106 days, which was the oldest First Class debut at the time.



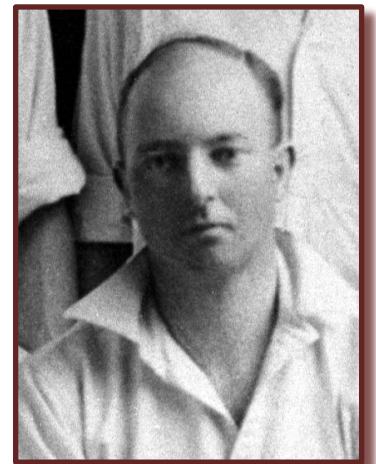
### A.J.W. LANSDOWN

1st X1 career 1915-16 to 1932-33 (18 seasons; 174 matches)  
Right hand legspin bowler, 212 wkts, average 25.26, including 5WI 12 times and best figures of 8/96. Right hand opening batsman, 4571 runs, average 29.68 with HS 183no and 7 centuries. Won batting average in 1924-25 & 1927-28.

Member of 1930-31 premiership team.

Played 8 First Class games, making 188 runs @ 18.80 and 18 wickets @ 29.88.

Also played 3 times for Australia at baseball in 1925.



### H.A.E. SHILLINGLAW

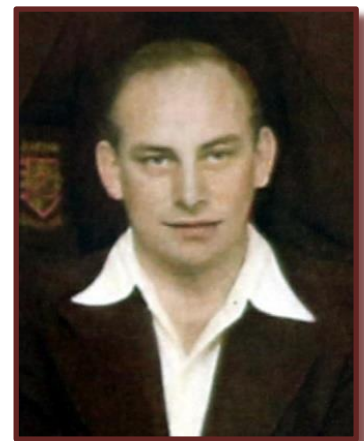
1st X1 career 1943-44 to 1959-60 (16 seasons; 157 matches)

Right arm medium pace bowler, 299 wkts, average 17.81, including 5WI thirteen times and 10WM once, Best figures of 9/38. Right hand batsman, 3801 runs, average 24.68 with HS 160no and 4 centuries. Won bowling average 3 times (1949-50, 1951-52, 1958-59).

Member of 1953-54 premiership team.

Played 3 First Class games, making 88 runs @ 17.60 and taking 8 wickets @ 20.25.

Also played VFL football for Fitzroy, 63 games from 1945-51. Debuted aged 17.



## C. ADAMS

1st X1 career 1952-53 to 1961-62 (9 seasons; 115 matches)

Right arm fast bowler, 350 wkts, average 14.64, including 5WI twenty times, and 10WM once. Won bowling average 4 times (1953-54, 1954-55, 1957-58, 1959-60). Right hand batsman, 375 runs, average 7.97 with HS 26.

Member of 1953-54 premierships team, winning the bowling average that season.



## M.W. RIDGWAY

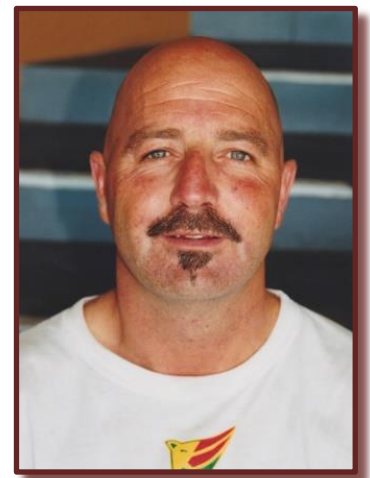
1st X1 career 1989-90 to 1992-93 (4 seasons; 56 matches)

Right arm fast medium bowler, 150 wkts, average 22.22, including 5WI nine times, and bowling average winner 3 times (1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93). Left hand batsman, 792 runs, average 19.80 with HS 98.

Ryder Medallist 1991-92, taking 44 wickets and making 302 runs in the season.

Played 46 First Class games for Tasmania, making 462 runs @ 11.84 with HS 70, and taking 161 wickets @ 33.60 with 5WI six times and best of 6/29.

Currently a Victorian selector



## M.M. SMITH

Played 137 games for Doncaster CC as wicketkeeper (189 c, 49 st) Captain for 2 seasons. Doncaster CC committee for 11 seasons, incl. terms as Secretary & Vice President. Delegate to Sub-district Cricket Association from 1979-80 to 1986-87.

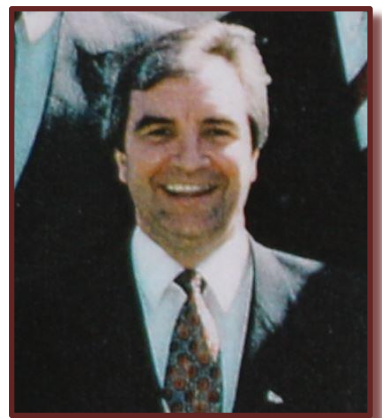
President of Fitzroy Doncaster Cricket Club 1991-2004, which includes 2 Premierships seasons, and the establishment of the new pavilion in 1998.

Cricket Victoria delegate from 1993-94 until 2011-12, and a CV Director from 2000-2013 – a role which included being match referee at numerous MCG matches from 2004-09. Received Life Membership of Cricket Victoria in 2014.

Chairman of Schramms Sports Club for 21 years - whose achievements include the establishment of the new pavilion in 1998, sale of land left to FCC by a Club benefactor, numerous ground improvements including an electronic scoreboard, and lighting upgrade.

Director of Melbourne Stars in Big Bash from 2011 -2019.

Also played 24 1<sup>st</sup> XI games for Hawthorn-East Melbourne as a wicketkeeper from 1968-69 to 1970-71, making 184 runs @ 11.50 and taking 34 catches and 9 stumpings.



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