

THE ENTRANCE DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

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Introduction

The primary purpose of this booklet is to provide a brief 100 year history of The Entrance District Cricket Club (TEDCC) from its formation in 1911/12 to this current season 2011/12. It is by no means a definitive history of the club, but merely a framework or the basis of a future and more detailed account for others to pursue.

Due to limited written historical material specific to TEDCC, especially in the very early years, the information is not always complete. The research for this booklet was carried out with the assistance and acknowledgement of the following:

- NSW Cricket Association
- NSW Country Cricket Association
- Central Coast Cricket Association
- Oral and written recollections of past and present club members and supporters
- Extensive research and documentation provided by Mr Phil Dales

My deepest thanks to the Centenary Committee for their support and guidance in compiling this document which I hope will be a reference point for ongoing research of TEDCC.

As I researched, discovered and collated the information and stories of 100 years of cricket at TEDCC, there was a recurrent theme of the very spirit of the club. This spirit is of strong voluntary administration, combined with dedicated and loyal players and supporters who always gave their utmost, who never gave in, who played cricket hard but fair in the true spirit of the game, who always celebrated and enjoyed the social events and after match functions, who enjoyed being with their mates and who continually endeavoured to improve all aspects of the club both on and off the field for the benefit of its members and the greater community.

It is important that this booklet is also a recording of the debt owed to the pioneers of cricket in The Entrance district – those who created the traditions of the club. In some ways it is hoped that this booklet captures many of those traditions so that we may all appreciate our club's heritage.

“The significance of history is that it presents a mirror for the future; the farther one looks back, the further forward you are likely to see.” (Winston Churchill)

Bob Newman

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with great pride that I am able to write a President's Message for an organisation celebrating 100 years in existence. It is quite humbling to put this achievement into perspective. For 100 years, The Entrance District Cricket Club has been a sporting club, a social outlet, a support base, a spectators' hobby and above all a great cricket club. It has provided so many hours of fun, stories and the platform for so many to simply have a game of cricket. We have seen many amazing players, administrators and passionate supporters come and go who have all been a vital part of the club and its success. All our volunteers who have taken on jobs like driving mini buses, cooked BBQs, manned canteens or helped prepare wickets – it is all these people that make a club what it is and why we are still here today.

Special mention must go to the wonderful support of all our sponsors now and in the past. They are a vital part of the club and we are so glad to have many of our current sponsors here tonight. Also, to our previous club committees and executives, it is a testament to their hard work that we are still here celebrating this milestone.

All of Season 2011/12 is a celebration worth noting. It is not just about one night or about this weekend, but about every game, every ball, and every moment where you can be proud to say – I am part of something that has been going on for 100 years.

A very special thank you must go to all those members who have put so much into the preparation of this night and this weekend. Special mention and our appreciations to the Centenary Committee for their ongoing hard work over many months. They have worked tirelessly to make all this happen and to make tonight a reality.

To all our members, both past and present, to our sponsors and our supporters – be proud of this night, it truly is something special.

Michael Phillips

A BRIEF HISTORY OF TEDCC

The first cricket ground at The Entrance was a paddock located behind the Tuggerah Guest House, now the site of Ebbside Mall. The club was formed in 1911/12 and played in matches in the Wyong area. The Wyong District Cricket Association (WDCA) was formed in 1912/13. The competition fielded teams from Wyong, Long Jetty, Tuggerah, Tumby Umbi, The Entrance, Ravensdale, Yarramalong, Tacoma, Wyong Creek and Dooralong.

The Entrance Cricket Team of 1912 taken at Tuggerah House cricket pitch.



From left (standing): Mr Harry Denniss Snr, Bert Ruff, Alf Watkins Snr, Fred Ruff, Alf Watkins Jnr, Bill Swadling Snr. **Sitting:** Arthur Swadling, Ray Taylor. **Boys (front row):** Perce Swadling, Roy Swadling (with pads on)

In the 1920s to the 1940s TEDCC was active in the WDCA competition on Saturdays and against teams from Sydney and Newcastle on Sundays. Players came from many of the pioneering families of The Entrance: Swadling, Denniss, Taylor, Clifford, Barrance and Gleeson. Many of the players worked in their family owned guest houses and were excellent at finding grade cricketers who were staying at the boarding houses, then offering them a game of cricket. When the First World War started in 1914 there were only about 50 permanent residents at The Entrance – but of course in the holiday season there were hundreds of visitors staying in the guest houses and camping tents along the channel.

In the 1920s, the Chipperfield family came to live at Long Jetty. They built a home in circ. 1930 just opposite the Tuggerah Lakes Memorial Club now Diggers @ The Entrance. Jack Chipperfield was the

local bootmaker. His son Arthur, the eldest of three boys, was an outstanding cricketer. His talent saw him selected as an Australian representative from 1934-38. He played in 14 Tests (see later profile).

Also in the early 1920s, Les and Austin Taylor and Mrs Adella Denning, the children of Richard Taylor, decided that they would dedicate a parcel of land to Erina Shire Council for a community park. It was known as The Entrance Park and is now known as Taylor Park. It became the home of cricket in The Entrance.

The Entrance Cricket Team of 1932



In the background can be seen Tuggerah House Guest House.

Back Row (Left to Right): Jack Glover, Harry Denniss, Bill Douglas, Alf Clifford, Tibby Barsley

Front Row (Left to Right): Fred Douglas, Austin Taylor, Peter Clifford, Frank Plunkett, Alf Watkins, Page Pearce

The Entrance was first grade premiers in 1934/35 and finished second in the 1936/37 season and continued to play in the Wyong District competition, remembering TEDCC only had one team.

The Entrance Cricket Team of 1934 taken at Taylor Park



Standing from left: Roy Swadling, Doug Barrance, Ralf Hicks, Jack Watkins, Austy Taylor, Jack Glover, Page Pearce, Walter Barrance. ***Kneeling from left:*** Les Swadling, Bill Glover, Les Brogden, Perce Evans, Mick Mainwaring.

TEDCC entered the Gosford District Cricket Association (GDCA) in the 1947/48 season in first grade. In the 1950/51 season TEDCC were first grade premiers and repeated this feat in both 1952/53 and 1953/54. It was in 1948/49 that TEDCC fielded a second grade side as well. The club had further success in 1959/60 winning the first grade premiership.

Throughout the early 1960s TEDCC was competitive and still had a 1st and 2nd grade team. In 1966/67 the club was first grade premiers and in 1968/69 fielding the second team in 3rd grade became premiers in their first year in that grade.

The 1970/71 season saw the formation of the Gosford-Wyong District Cricket Association (GWDCA) and TEDCC fielded three teams: 1st, 3rd and 4th grade. The club would have to wait another seventeen years before another premiership with both 4th Grade and 5th Grade being Premiers in 1987/88.

From the 1990s onwards TEDCC has become an extremely strong force in Central Coast cricket, both on and off the field. The development of juniors which commenced in the 1970s, the business-like approach of the club's administration including corporate sponsorship, the coaching programs and the ability of the club to have the right mix of youth and experience on the playing field, have combined to see the club take out premierships throughout the grades as well as being Club Champions on a number of occasions. Indeed, from the 1996/97 season through to the 2010/11 season (the last 15 seasons) TEDCC did not rate lower than 5th in the District Club Championship out of the 12 to 13 clubs on the Central Coast. This is a truly wonderful achievement and a testament to the strength, depth, character and spirit of the club.

LIFE MEMBERS

Mr W Andrews

Mr W Ashworth

Mr N Brown

Mr S Byfield

Mr R Caddis

Mr M Chalmers (Deceased)

Mr P Chalmers

Mr J Ditton

Mr E Fogarty

Mr T Foott

Mr N Frost

Mr N Hodge (Deceased)

Mr W Martin

Mr R Nicol

Mr G Robilliard

Mr R Rosewell

Mrs G Wilkinson

Mr J Wilkinson

ADMINISTRATION AND OFFICE BEARERS

<u>President</u>		<u>Secretary</u>		<u>Treasurer</u>	
1922-32	R. R. Taylor	1924-34	F. J. Plunkett	1933-34	W. Glover
1932-33	T. Glover	1949-50	C. Kellner	1945-46	H. B. Atkinson
1933-34	A. R. Taylor	1950-51	H. Brown	1946-4	J. T. Hodson
1945-46	A. R. Taylor	1953-57	R. Halliday	1948-49	B. Powell
1951-58	J. J. McElhone	1960-61	P. F. Dunn	1954-56	C. Easey
1958-59	K. Rees	1967-70	I. Hodge	1956-57	J. Beach
1968-78	L. Richardson	1970-71	A. Wilkinson	1957-61	J. Lemmon
1978-79	W. Richardson	1971-74	I. Hodge	1964-65	P. F. Dunn
1979- 4/12/85	M. Chalmers	1974-79	R. Cochrane	1965-67	G. Banks
1985-86	N. Brown	1979-83	G. P. Bauer	1968-69	G. Secomb
1986-88	S. Byfield	1983-87	C. Suttie	1979-80	G. Bauer
1988-94	W. Martin	1987-89	A. Sherwood	1985-97	R. Nicol
1994-97	G. Castles	1989-90	G. Taylor	1997-99	R. O'Sullivan
1997-98	T. Foott	1990-91	Mrs J. Foott	1999-2000	D. Leete
1998-99	G. Castles	1991-94	N. Frost	2000-01	D. Pragasam
1999-2001	R. O'Sullivan	1994-96	P. Chalmers	2001-05	S. Kehde
2001-08	L. DeKauwe	1996-2001	Mrs A. Hemsworth	2005-07	R. Wales
2008-09	J. Reynolds	2001-04	B. Semple	2007-08	B. Emanuel
2009-12	M. Phillips	2004-08	J. Reynolds	2008-12	B. Eirth
		2008-09	B. Emanuel		
		2009-12	S. Bull		

* The Club Secretary and Club Treasurer was often a joint position.

* Up until the end of the 1970's the club usually only held annual meetings. In 1978 the club began to hold monthly meetings.

DISTRICT OFFICE BEARERS

The following club members have held positions at a district or Central Coast level:

B. Buckley, N. Hodge, M. Chalmers, I. Chalmers, C. Suttie , G. Taylor, W. Martin, L. De Kauwe, M. Staff, B. Semple , W. Ashworth, R. Davis

OUTSTANDING CLUB ACHIEVEMENTS

Club Statistics

On 30th April 2006, Mitchell Staff, then Senior Vice-President of TEDCC, presented a wonderful document outlining TEDCC Historical Statistics. As Mitchell stated in the introduction to the booklet: "Although we have pictures of a team that played for The Entrance in 1912, details of that season are not available to us. Indeed the only accurate records that we have begin in 1947 and even then some records from that year on have been buried in the sands of time. The records for the seasons 1948/49, 1951/52, 1952/53 and 1956/57 are not available at this time.....These records are the result of three years of research and sifting through documents and then typing them up on a spreadsheet. Given that we are talking about over 1000 individual records I hope you can all see some benefits in what I have done. Enjoy this glimpse through the statistical history of The Seagulls."

Mitchell's work was very extensive and a highly valued contribution to our club's history. It has since been updated. However, we are still missing the records of the seasons mentioned above.

The full individual record of players is not the domain of this booklet. However, we do recognise and celebrate the following achievements. ***Please note that these records are as accurate as possible up to and including the season ended 2010/11.***

Most Games

Rod Rosewell	342
Wayne Ashworth	340
Edward Fogarty	309
Noel Hodge	280
Clive Gray	265
Nigel Frost	262
Glenn Robilliard	255
Sam Nicol	247
Rick Caddis	232
Robert Newman	216
Steven Byfield	215
Paul Chalmers	203
Richard O'Sullivan	203
Terry Foott	202
Jason Blackwood	201
Jason Ditton	199
Adam Malm	195
Brad Howe	194
Robert Gray	191
Brendon Parry	185
Michael Thorpe	185
Jim Lemmon	179
Brad Eirth	179
Brendan Thornton	178
Darren Martin	177

Most Runs

Jim Lemmon	8,314
Edward Fogarty	6,493
Nigel Frost	5,144
Glen Hannah	4,918
Noel Hodge	4,683
Steve Handel	4,682
Clive Gray	4,611
Ian Hodge	4,163
Keith Forster	4,009
Adam Malm	3,953
Wayne Ashworth	3,949
Brad Howe	3,948
Ken Rees	3,887
Paul Chalmers	3,817
Jeff Knox	3,776
Chris Luck	3,696
Terry Foott	3,625
Brendon Parry	3,599
Bruce Lenden	3,532
Brendan Thornton	3,512
Darren Martin	3,475
Dale Dezius	3,421
Rod Rosewell	3,309
Phil Thornton	3,265
Michael Forster	3,238

<u>Most Wickets</u>		<u>Most Dismissals</u>	<u>Catches</u>	<u>Stumpings</u>	<u>Total</u>
Rod Rosewell	784	Wayne Ashworth	376	126	502
Glenn Robilliard	725	Nigel Frost	208	37	245
Rick Caddis	494	Steve Davis	172	21	193
Steven Byfield	456	Brad Eirth	162	27	189
Jason Ditton	451	Doug Kingston	144	19	163
Edward Fogarty	447	Lance Richardson	154	0	154
Robert Newman	384	Simon Myers	118	23	141
Richard O'Sullivan	372	Edward Fogarty	141	0	141
Jason Blackwood	361	Rod Rosewell	137	0	137
Don Trigg	329	Adam Williams	104	17	121
Noel Hodge	329	Glenn Robilliard	115	0	115
Mark Shelley	314	Robert Proctor	112	2	114
Jim Lemmon	297	Robert Gray	108	3	111
Robert Makin	295	Jeff Hemming	96	13	109
Mitchell Bruce	289	Noel Hodge	108	0	108
Greg Duffy	287	Clive Gray	105	0	105
Colin Suttie	276	Ross Barry	95	8	103
Glen Taylor	275	Jason Blackwood	99	0	99
Steve Handel	273	Glen Hannah	99	0	99
M Russell	262	Sam Nicol	96	0	96
Sam Nicol	253	Gary Pascoe	88	4	92
Luke Wilson	250	John Sexton	89	3	92
Robert Gray	246	Scott Williams	91	1	92
Keith Forster	239	Ryan Lambert	91	0	91
Roy Gilbert	236	Brendon Parry	91	0	91

Highest Scores in each Grade

<u>1st Grade</u>	Craig Chilvers	200	1997-98	v	Doyalson
<u>2nd Grade</u>	Jason Bradley	141	1993-94	v	Woy Woy
<u>3rd Grade</u>	Ricky Sullivan	181	1003-04	v	Woy Woy
<u>4th Grade</u>	Steve Handel	150	2003-04	v	Terrigal
<u>5th Grade</u>	Dave Piggins	221	1994-95	v	Toukley Gold
<u>6th Grade</u>	S. Leidich	198	2002-03	v	Doyalson
<u>7th Grade</u>	M. Williams	198	2006-07	v	Lisarow Black
<u>8th Grade</u>	S. King	133	2005-06	v	Lisarow White
<u>9th Grade</u>	P. Dalton	144	2009-10	v	Mountains
<u>10th Grade</u>	Mark Kitchen	188	2009-10	v	Narara
<u>ODLO</u>	B. Smith	143	2000-01	v	Umina

DISTRICT AWARDS ACHIEVED BY THE CLUB

Club Championship:	1996/97, 1998/99, 2003/04, 2005/06,2010/11
1st Grade Premierships:	1934/35, 1950/51, 1952/53, 1953/54, 1959/60, 1966/67, 2000/01, 2004/05, 2005/06
1st Grade Minor Premierships:	1952/53, 1953/54, 1959/60, 1960/61, 1966/67, 1984/85, 1996/97, 2000/01, 2005/06, 2009/10
2nd Grade Premierships:	1999/00, 2003/04, 2009/10
2nd Grade Minor Premierships:	1982/83, 1983/84, 1990/91, 1991/92, 1996/97, 2003/04, 2005/06, 2010/11
3rd Grade Premierships:	1968/69, 1991/92
3rd Grade Minor Premierships:	1971/72, 1986/87, 1991/92, 1993/94, 1996/97
4th Grade Premierships	1987/88, 2003/04, 2009/10
4th Grade Minor Premierships:	1998/99, 2002/03, 2003/04, 2010/11
5th Grade Premierships:	1987/88, 1988/99
5th Grade Minor Premierships:	1987/88
6th Grade Premierships:	1992/93, 1993/94
6th Grade Minor Premierships:	1992/93, 1993/94, 1998/99
7th Grade Premierships:	2009/10
8th Grade Premierships:	2005/06
8th Grade Minor Premierships:	2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08
9th Grade Minor Premierships:	2009/10
10th Grade Premierships:	2009/10
O.D.L.O. Premierships:	1999/00, 2000/01, 2001/02
O.D.L.O. Minor Premierships:	1999/00, 2001/02
Under 16 Premierships:	1985/86
Under 16 Minor Premierships:	1974/75, 1985/86

INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT AWARD WINNERS

District 1st XI Player of the Year

2002/03	M. Shelley
2003/04	A. Alley
2004/05	A. Alley
2005/06	J. Hemming
2009/10	M. Harvey

District Colt of the Year:

1967/68	I. Hodge
1968/69	I. Hodge
2000/01	J. Hemming
2001/02	A. Alley
2002/03	A. Alley

Under 16 Player of The Year:

1979/80	I. Chalmers
1982/83	C. Steele

Under 16 All rounder of the Year

1985/86	P. Watt
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Youth Player of the Year:

1988/89	P. Watt
2000/01	J. Hemming
2001/02	A. Alley

Highest Score in 1st Grade

1990/91	D. Rowlands	118 no.
1997/98	C. Chilvers	200
2000/01	J. Hemming	142
2004/05	M. Forster	157 no.

1st Grade Player of the Grand Final:

2004/05	M. Forster
2005/06	J. Ditton

1st Grade Captain of the Year:

2008/09	D. Stevenson
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Director of Coaching Award:

2006/07	M. Muir
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INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT GRADE AWARD WINNERS

1st Grade:

Batting Ave:

1948/49	K. Rees	30.00
1955/56	J. Lemmon	68.42
1960/61	K. Forster	82.00
1961/62	J. Lemmon	100.22
1963/64	J. Lemmon	64.75
1965/66	J. Lemmon	86.40
1966/67	J. Lemmon	68.22

Bowling Ave:

1953/54	R. Makin	11.80
1957/58	M. White	15.03
1958/59	K. Forster	13.07
1966/67	J. Dunnage	11.08
1985/86	D. Gibson	9.82
2000/01	A. Semple	11.89
2002/03	J. Ditton	11.87

Catches:

1955/56	R. Makin	14
1957/58	N. Sell	13
1973/74	L. Richardson	15
1975/76	L. Richardson	17
1988/89	G. Sherwood	19
1997/98	W. Ashworth	24

Dismissals:

1989/90	P. Watt	56.25	2004/05	A. Semple	11.14	2000/01	J. Hemming	24
1998/99	C. Chilvers	62.10						
2000/01	J. Hemming	55.09						
2001/02	A. Alley	75.17						
2003/04	A. Semple	59.33						
2004/05	M. Forster	60.43						
2007/08	D. Stevenson	67.00						
2010/11	A. Hardy	107.83						

2nd Grade:**Batting Ave:**

1954/55	G. Glading	42.42
1955/56	H. Secombe	47.75
1960/61	J. Wilkinson	34.55
1974/75	J. Murray	43.00
2004/05	D. Bowcock	45.00
2010/11	M. Brown	47.50

Bowling Ave:

1982/83	C. Suttie	8.06
1983/84	C. Suttie	7.75
1984/85	S. Nicol	9.30
1985/86	C. Suttie	10.58
1991/92	G. Duffy	15.21
1996/97	T. Allison	12.60
2005/06	P. Castles	7.67

Dismissals:

2002/03	W. Ashworth	25
2006/07	A. Williams	28

3rd Grade:**Batting Ave:**

1968/68	C. Cochrane	67.50
1969/70	C. Cochrane	58.30
1982/83	M. Molloy	79.00
2010/11	J. Dunn	65.83

Bowling Ave:

2005/06	S. Bull	7.14
2009/10	M. Shone	7.92
2010/11	S. Handel	7.39

Catches:

1968/69	R. Rosewell	10
1972/73	K. Hay	13
1979/80	R. Proctor	20

Dismissals:

1997/98	N. Frost	23
2006/07	W. Ashworth	28
2010/11	W. Ashworth	28

4th Grade:**Batting Ave:**

1971/72	S. Frewin	34.37
1988/89	M. Farrant	55.00
1989/90	S. Dunn	61.16
2003/04	S. Handel	72.50

Bowling Ave:

1987/88	G. Robilliard	7.81
1988/89	G. Robilliard	9.42
1990/91	R. Caddis	13.28
2005/06	R. Newman	8.85

Catches:

1991/92	S. Baker	18
1992/93	B. Geddes	25

Dismissals:

1997/98	D. Kingston	28
2001/02	B. Carmichael	24
2010/11	N. Frost	31

5th Grade:**Batting Ave:**

1998/99	J. Knox	49.90
2001/02	G. Fogarty	39.17

Bowling Ave:

1987/88	C. Lloyd	11.48
2004/05	L. Cannon	6.97
2009/10	R. Newman	8.00

Catches:

1985/86	D. Payne	13
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6th Grade:**Batting Ave:**

1989/90	P. Forster	67.00
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Bowling Ave:

1987/88	P. Lackner	8.60
1992/93	D. Gahan	6.45
1993/94	B. Griffith	9.59
2007/08	D. Campbell	6.61

Catches:

1992/93	K. Brookes	19
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Dismissals:

2003/04	S. Kehde	25
2010/11	S. Mortimer	24

7th Grade:**Bowling Ave:**

2009/10	L. Wilson	6.37
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8th Grade:**Batting Ave:**

2007/08 F. Higson 66.43

Bowling Ave:

2005/06 J. McLean 8.67

Dismissals2007/08 D. Kingston 18
2010/11 M. Foxall 21**O.D.L.O.:****Batting Ave:**

1999/00 D. Dezius 74.30

Bowling Ave:1999/00 G. Robilliard 9.39
2001/02 J. Blackwood 8.40**Dismissals**

2000/01 S. Meyers 23

Under 16:**Batting Ave:**1974/75 G. Hannah 78.00
1981/92 P. Thornton 43.00**Catches:**1974/75 G. Hannah 12
1981/82 K. McDiarmid 21
1984/85 G. Sherwood 19**District Player of the Year****1st Grade:**1989/90 P. Watt
1989/99 C. Chilvers
2000/01 J. Hemming
2005/06 A. Semple**2nd Grade:**1983/84 C. Suttie
1985/86 C. Suttie
1987/88 M. Bruce
1989/90 M. Bruce
1991/92 G. Duffy
1996/97 T. Allison**3rd Grade:**1985/86 E. Fogarty
1986/87 E. Fogarty**4th Grade:**

1986/87 R. Rosewell

5th Grade:

2000/01 S. Handel

6th Grade:

1990/91 D. McKenna

7th Grade:

2007/08 N. Lapington

8th Grade:

2008/09 G. Patman Snr.

HISTORICAL POINTS OF INTEREST

What follows are some of the many interesting points in our club's history. They will no doubt arouse discussion, perhaps some alternative expressions of opinion and also hopefully shed new light on additional information of TEDCC and its past.

- Taylor Park was the home ground and had a concrete wicket which was covered by Kippax matting held down by valve stems from car engines. Taylor Park was also used as the first Rugby League ground in the area. It had a cycle race track around the outside and in the very early days was also used to promote boxing matches. Taylor Park was also the first home of The Entrance Women's Hockey Club in 1955. It was not uncommon for the travelling circus to set up in the park.
- A turf pitch was installed at Bateau Bay (EDSACC South) by Wyong Council and the first game played on this turf pitch was a 1st Grade game between TEDCC and Kincumber-Avoca on 30/10/1971. When 3rd Grade and later 4th Grade were introduced, they played at Jubilee Park.
- The turf pitch at Taylor Park was constructed by Wyong Council for the start of the 1981/82 season. The first game played on this turf pitch was a 2nd Grade match between TEDCC and Umina on 3/10/1981.
- Wyong Council upgraded Jubilee Oval and constructed a new turf wicket. The official opening of the new ground was celebrated on 23/9/2007. The first competition match was a 1st Grade game played between TEDCC and Umina on 6/10/2007.
- In the 1920s to cover the cost of a new ball, each player paid one shilling (10 cents) per match.
- On 27th August 1933 a practice match was played between "Married v Single". The match commenced at 10am with the umpires being F. Plunkett and A. J. Miles. A batting fee of 6 pence (5 cents) was required.
- The Annual Meeting of the club was held at "Ozone" on Wednesday night 9th August 1932. Owing to the length of time occupied by business, the intended sing-song was not held, but supper provided by various members and supporters, was enjoyed.
- 1946 – Stan McCabe bats cost the club six pounds and ten shillings (\$13).
- In the 1947/48 season, Ken Rees and Trevor Chapman were the first Cricketers from TEDCC to represent the Gosford District Cricket Association. They were both selected in the district John Bull Shield team to play in the Hunter Valley Cricket Council John Bull Shield Competition. The Gosford District team won the John Bull Shield in that season. In one match against Muswellbrook at Muswellbrook. Muswellbrook were dismissed in the 1st innings for 6 runs and in the 2nd innings for 32.
- TEDCC lost the 1949/50 First Grade competition premiership due to the Association deeming that Keith Forster was not residentially qualified. He had failed to receive a clearance from Matcham CC. He lived three or four houses north of where now exists the roundabout at the intersection of the Central Coast Highway and Ocean View Drive, Wamberal. The Entrance went through the competition undefeated, but then had all points taken from them.
- 1952/53 season and Col Easy takes 14 wickets for 79 runs in the 1st Grade semi-final. It is believed that this performance still stands as a 1st Grade record for most wickets taken in a

game. Col was Treasurer from 1954/56 and in 2006 received the Order of Australia for his services to cricket as an administrator and player for over 60 years.

- Mowing of the ground at Taylor Park cost three pounds (\$6) in 1949.
- In 1955/56 a donation of ten pounds (\$20) was made to Wyong shire for a new pitch at Taylor Park.
- In 1955/56 the "Annual Smoko" refreshments amounted to three pounds and five shillings (\$6.50).
- Presentation Night eats and drinks totalled five pounds, three shillings and four pence (\$10.35) in 1959/60.
- In 1964/65 TEDCC paid for three protectors which cost a total of two pounds, fifteen shillings and five pence (\$5.55).
- A large outlay of funds in 1968/69 was for new mats. These cost the club \$147.85. Two piece balls cost \$2.56 each.
- 1974/75 – the expenditure for the annual cricket dinner was \$198.00 and a photographer for the night cost \$5.00 who was paid cash in hand.
- In the 1983/84 season TEDCC wins the prestigious Hunter Valley Cricket Council Prudential Cup Limited Over Knock Out Competition.

1952/53 Undefeated First Grade Premiers



Taken at the original Central Coast Leagues Club in Georgiana Terrace, Gosford.
Seated from left going clockwise: Col Easey, Wally Gray, Jack Beach, Noel Hodge. **Standing from left:** Jack Holden, Jim Lemmon, Jack McElhone. **Seated continuing clockwise:** Arthur Archer, Bob Makin, Charlie Whittaker (Gosford CC). **Absent:** Ken Rees (Capt), George Glading, Abby Fairall, Gordon Beach. Apologies to the many unknown women!



1983/84 Prudential Cup Winners

Malcolm Chalmers Memorial Bar opened

Shire president, Cr Stephen Cutler, shire clerk, Mr John Dawson, and Mrs Nan Chalmers were among the special guests present for the opening of The Entrance Cricket Club's new clubhouse and Malcolm Chalmers Memorial Bar at Taylor Park last Saturday.

A host of Entrance cricketers were also on hand to witness what many described as the club's proudest moment of Cr Cutler officially opening the new clubhouse.

Mrs Nan Chalmers was then called upon to open the Malcolm Chalmers Memorial Bar, named in honour of one of the former shire president and great Entrance clubman who was tragically killed in a car accident earlier this year.

The official opening followed a successful club six-a-side competition which saw all club members involved.

The Entrance's team selections for the opening round matches against Wyong saw a number of new faces sprinkled through the top grades.

The first grade clash at Baker Park will see four newcomers pad up for The Entrance. They are opening batsman Lance Rhodes, young wicket-keeper Glenn Sherwood, and opening bowlers Dave Gibson and Andy Gabb.

To be led by former Waverly all-rounder, Bob Wilson, The Entrance has a happy blend of youthful flair and experience that could well see the club's first grade team regain a position at the top of local competition.

Wilson said that the second grade team is also looking particularly strong, with a number of players narrowly missing selection in the top grade for the opening round.

"The pressure is really on all the fellows in first grade," Wilson said.

Club training will now be held at the EDSACC nets every Thursday afternoon from four.



Our picture shows the scene at last Saturday's official opening of the Malcolm Chalmers Memorial Bar in The Entrance Cricket Club's new clubhouse at Taylor Park.

Pictured (from left) are Mr John Dawson, Col Suttie, Bob Nichol (obscured), Mrs Nan Chalmers, Stephen Byfield (obscured), Cr Stephen Cutler, Ian Chalmers and Bob Wilson.



First Grade 1997/98 at the old clubhouse at Taylor Park

Back Row (L-R): Jason Ditton, Peter Woodwood, Ryan McQueen, Ross Hampton, Wayne Ashworth, Ross Steele (Capt) **Front Row (L-R):** Jim Smith (Manager), Brendan Thornton, Mark Shelley, Graham Norris, David Leete, Anne Hemsworth (Scorer). **Absent:** Bruce Lenden.

What an Entrance: two titles in a row

28/3/06
By GREG DANVERS

THE ENTRANCE are the toast of local cricket after winning back-to-back premierships at Erina Oval on Sunday.

Opponents Narara, who had three sides in the grand finals, elected to bat first and would have expected to pile on 180 to set the minor premiers and defending champions The Entrance a competitive tally.

But some very tight bowling and excellent fielding by The Entrance had Narara on the ropes and reeling to be all out for 73 in 47-overs.

Narara won the toss and elected to bat on a wet track, which in the end favoured the bowlers.

"The weather played its part," Entrance skipper Mark Shelley shared with *The Daily Telegraph* yesterday. "They won the toss and decided to bat on a soft deck."

"We had a good day on Saturday, only dropped one catch in the early overs. But everything else seemed to click and we played some really good cricket. It was a great win and a great way to finish the year."

"We haven't beaten them for three years."

Opening quicks Adam Semple and man-of-the-match Jason Dittton tore the heart out of Narara's attack, taking seven wickets between them.

Dittton captured 3-30 and Semple 4-24 to scupper any chance that Narara had of making a game of the season decider.

The Entrance cruised to 4-144 before stumps were drawn on the first grade season to set up a party that went late into Sunday night and continued yesterday.

"Adam Semple has been a stand-out all year," Shelley said.

"I think he finished with 54 wickets for the season and 560 runs."

"Jason Dittton, who got man of the match, was just awesome — he lives for the big games."

"He bowled really well, he was sensational and got the big wickets. Clint Higson batted well, put on a quick 29 opening the batting. He played one false shot and got out."

"Steve Davis [unbeaten on 61] batted very well."

Mountains (6-115) rolled Narara for 102 in the Grand Final of the second grade competition.



Party time . . . the team celebrate and (inset) Steven Davis swings the bat. Pictures: JEFF HERBERT

Vince Nicholls top-scored with an unbeaten 42 in the Mountains win.

Narara managed to win the third grade decider by 44 runs in the first innings over Wyong.

Winners: first grade, The Entrance; second grade, Mountains; third grade, Narara; fourth grade, Gosford; fifth grade, Wyong; sixth grade, Lisarow; seventh grade, Lisarow Black; and eighth grade, The Entrance Blue.



Narara v The Entrance, Erina Oval

Narara		The Entrance	
P CROSS b Dittton.....	15	C HIGSON c Marchant b Shooobridge.....	29
T MARCHANT lbw Semple.....	2	B HOWE lbw Shooobridge.....	12
A SHOOBRIDGE c Semple b Blackwood.....	20	M FORSTER lbw Toyer.....	7
P GALLICHAN c Shelley b Dittton.....	10	J HEMMING lbw Toyer.....	9
G SMITH c&b Shelley.....	3	A HARDY not out.....	16
S WILSON c Hemming b Dittton.....	0	S DAVIS not out.....	61
A MURRAY lbw Semple.....	9	Sundries	10
A RYAN b Semple.....	5	Total	4/144
W CHARLTON c Howe b Shelley.....	4	Bowling: J Toyer 16-3-32-2, A Ryan	
J TOYER c Hemming b Semple.....	0	10-0-27-0, A Shooobridge 18-5-32-2, A	
M DUHIGG not out.....	1	Murray 2-0-7-0, W Charlton 3-0-13-0,	
		M Duhigg 6-0-29-0, S Wilson 1-1-0-0	
Sundries	4	Total	73
Bowling: A Semple 16-2-4-24-4,		The Entrance win grand	
J Dittton 15-7-30-3, J Blackwood		final on first innings	
8-4-9-1, M Shelley 7-3-7-2			

2005/06 First Grade Premiers

WYONG SHIRE'S ONLY TEST CRICKETER

ARTHUR CHIPPERFIELD

Born 17/11/1905 Died 29/07/1987

In the late 1920's in The Depression years, Mr Jack Chipperfield with his family took up residence at Long Jetty. Arthur was the eldest son of the Chipperfield family and was a great sportsman especially in local tennis and cricket. He represented in a Combined Gosford and Wyong Under 25 years side against a Don Bradman XI at Wyong in 1931/32. Arthur played for the Western Suburbs DCC in the Sydney First Grade Competition from 1927/28 to 1936/37 and for Northern Districts from 1937/38 to 1944/45. His selection for the 1934 Australian team to tour England came as something of a surprise, following only three first-class matches. Arthur was then 28 years old, but 152 for Northern Districts at Newcastle against Jardine's 1932/33 MCC side had given notice of his ability. With 84 against Queensland on his state debut for NSW, he furthered the good impression already made. In England, he did not enjoy the best of health, but finished the tour with 899 runs at an average of 40.86 showing good defence and could when required hit hard and score at a good pace. He was a fine slip fieldsman and a useful bowler of leg-breaks.

Arthur made his Test debut in the First Test at Trent Bridge, Nottingham in the 1934 series, where having reached 99 by lunch on the second day, he was out without addition to the third ball afterwards, caught behind by Ames off Farnes. He was the first to be dismissed for 99 in his first Test. He played in the remaining four Tests. He toured South Africa in 1935/36 where he scored his only Test hundred, 109 in Durban. He played against England in three Tests when they toured Australia in 1936/37 and he was selected in the Australian team to tour England in 1938 where his only and last Test was in the Second Test at Lords. During this 1938 tour, Arthur was very ill for much of the time, was operated on for appendicitis and missed most of the matches.



1933 - Australian Test Cricketer

Arthur Chipperfield

Photo courtesy McClure family.

He played 14 Tests, 20 innings, scored 552 runs at an average of 32.47. In his First-Class career he played 96 matches, scored 4295 runs at an average of 38.34 with a top score of 175 against Essex. He took 65 wickets for 2582 runs at an average of 39.72 with his best bowling performance being 8/66 in the first innings of the match between an Australian XI against the visiting MCC team at Sydney in 1935/36.

Arthur Chipperfield is the only cricketer from the Wyong Shire ever to have played in Test matches for Australia.

TEAM OF THE CENTURY

In selecting The Entrance District Team of the Century, the Centenary Committee and the Centenary Selection Panel agreed, to certain selection criteria. These included highest representative honours, their role within and their contribution to the team and 50 First Grade games for the club. It was also decided that there should be six batsmen, a wicket-keeper and five bowlers (at least one of whom would be a spinner). Some of the players could well be all-rounders. It took many meetings, phone calls and emails and hours of mental anguish and painful deliberations but the Selection Panel came up with the following nominees:

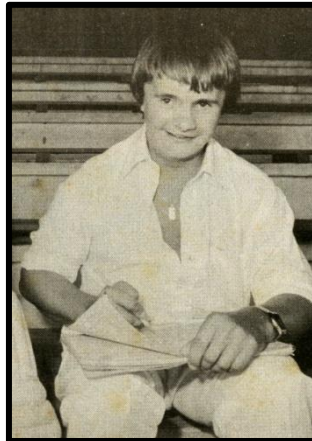
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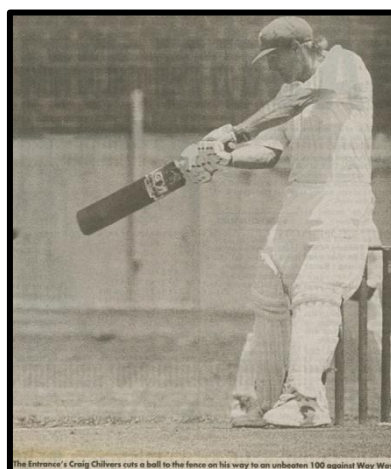
WAYNE ASHWORTH: Wicket-keeper; 32 seasons and 343 games for the club; local junior and Life Member; First Grade 1985 – 2002. 502 dismissals including 126 stumpings. Scored 3949 runs. District Rep. Captained First Grade for two seasons. Several District Awards for Most Catches/Dismissals.



STEPHEN BYFIELD: Right arm spinner; 22 years service, local junior and Life Member. 215 games for the club, 456 wickets at 18.11. Combined NSW Country Rep. District Rep. Hunter Valley Rep 1975 – 1981; Northern NSW Rep. Combined North West/North Coast Zone Rep. Emu Club New Zealand Tour 1978 and World Tour in 1979. Hunter Valley Bowling Award 1977/78 and 1978/79. Played for Northern NSW against New Zealand in 1980/81. First Grade Captain.



CRAIG CHILVERS: Right hand batsman; hard hitting and fast scoring player; right arm med/fast bowler. Seven seasons of 1st Grade with the club and scored 2359 runs at an average of 41.38 with top score of 200. Second most centuries (8) in club history. Captained 1st Grade to Premiership. Twice club Player of the Year; District Player of the Year in 1998/99. District Batting Award 1998/99.

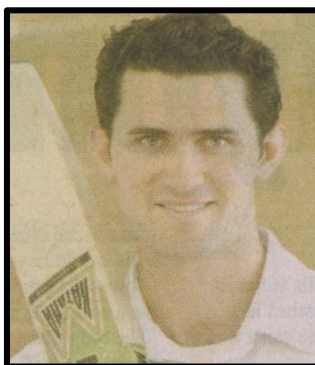


JASON DITTON: Right arm fast/medium bowler; local junior and Life Member; 17 seasons in mostly first grade has taken 451 wickets at 14.53; NSW Country Rep; District Rep; District Bowling Award 2002/03; Captained 1st Grade; 2005/06 1st Grade Player of the Grand Final in 2005/06; Club Colt and Player of the Year in 1993/94; Clubman of the Year 2000/01.

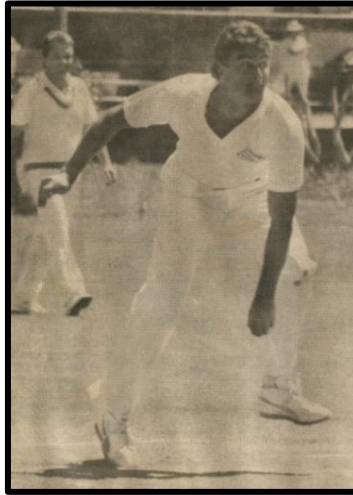


KEITH FORSTER: Faithful servant of the club playing 72 games. Dashing left hand batsman who scored 4009 runs at an average of 36.12 hitting 7 centuries – all in 1st grade. Took 239 wickets at 12.98 with right arm leg spin. District Rep; District 1st Grade Batting Award in 1960/61 with 574 runs at 82.00 and in 1958/59 took the District 1st Grade Bowling Award with an average of 13.07. Rated by the legendry Paddy Clifton as an outstanding cricketer and selected in his team of the best players on the Central Coast 1945 – 1958.

MICHAEL FORSTER: Right hand batsman and handy medium pace bowler; District Rep; four times winner of club Colt of the Year; ten seasons of mostly first grade scoring 3157 runs at 28.40; scored 8 centuries; 72 wickets and 64 catches – neat slips fieldsman. District 1st Grade Batting Award in 2004/05 and Grand Final Player of the Match in 2004/05. Local junior and three time Premiership winner.



ANDREW GABB: Left arm fast bowler; hurried on to batsmen with swing and pace. 110 games for the club, mostly in 1st Grade. Took 236 wickets at 18.57. Clubman of the Year three times in his twelve seasons with the club.



GLEN HANNAH: Right hand batsman who scored 4918 runs at 28.76 with five centuries (three in one season in U16s when they were part of the senior competition). District and Hunter Valley Rep. Played over 170 games for the club during his 18 years of service. Middle order batsman with solid defence and strong player off the front foot. Local junior.



ASHLEY HARDY: Right hand batsman; aggressive player; handy off spinner. Nine seasons with the club all in 1st grade scoring 3131 runs at 35.66 with 7 centuries; District Rep; 2010/11 District Batting Award 742 runs at 107.83; Club Player of the Year in 2010/11.



JEFF HEMMING: Right hand batsman; wicket-keeper; 2230 runs at 40.73 in eight seasons of mostly first grade with the club. 109 dismissals. NSW Country Rep; District Rep; 2000/01 Club and District Player of the Year; District Colt of the Year in 2000/01; District Batting and Dismissals Awards 2000/01. Named as one of the CCCA's most influential cricketers/top 12 rep. players of the last 15 years in 2010.



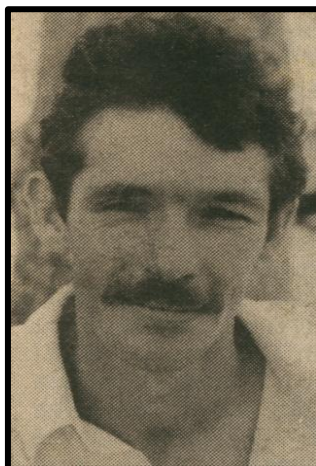
IAN HODGE: Right hand batsman; right arm medium pace bowler; local junior; in 13 seasons scored 4136 runs and took 226 wickets. Elegant and stylish stroke maker and good timer of the ball. Combined NSW Country Rep and Northern NSW Rep 1967/68 to 1973/74; Hunter Valley Rep; District Rep. 1968 to 1974. Hunter Valley Colt of the Year 1969/70; District Colt of the Year 1967/68 and 1968/69. Emu Club Colts 1968 – 1970; Emu Club World Tour 1970 and Singapore and Malaysia Tour 1972. Played for Northern NSW against West Indies in 1968/69, against Rest of the World team in 1971/72 and against Pakistan in 1972/73.



NOEL HODGE: Life Member; played 280 games for the club over 25 years' service; great leader and clubman; scored 4683 runs as a right hand batsman and took 329 wickets with right arm leg spin; took 108 catches. Regularly took his 20 wickets a season and troubled all batsmen on the bouncy Taylor Park wicket.



GLEN JACOBS: Right arm fast bowler; swing, cut and bounce were a feature. First joined the club in 1980/81; played mostly 1st Grade taking 225 wickets at an average of 14.15; in 1990/91 season took 6/26, 6/48 and 6/59. District Rep. Club Delegate to Association in 1981/82.



JIM LEMMON: Left hand batsman; 179 games all in first grade; most runs for the club scoring 8314 runs at an average of 42.20; 19 centuries; would bat all day. Right arm medium pace swing bowler took 297 wickets at 18.09. Took 7/39 and 6/36 in losing final to Narara in 1964/65. Hunter Valley Rep; District Rep; District 1st Grade Batting Award in 1955/56, 1961/62 (902 runs at an average of 100.02), 1963/64, 1965/66 and 1966/67. Inaugural District Cricketer of the Year in 1965/66.



ROBERT MAKIN: Left arm “Chinaman” bowler and aggressive hard hitting batsman. Only played 54 first grade games for the club but took an amazing 295 wickets at an average of 12.02; took five or more wickets in an innings 21 times; scored 1554 runs at 24.28; District Rep; Hunter Valley Rep in 1950/51; District 1st Grade Bowling Award in 1953/54 with 55 wickets at 11.80. Refused many offers to play in Sydney. Selected by Paddy Clifton in his all time best Central Coast Team of 1945 – 1958. Rated by Jim Lemmon as the best bowler he had ever seen, including Benaud.



KEN REES: Right hand batsman rated by the legendary Frank Baxter as one of the region’s best ever stroke makers. Over 100 games for the club from at least the 1939/40 season to at least the 1961/62 season. Scored 3887 runs at 20.29. Represented Hunter Valley at Country Week; District Rep. First Grade Captain when TEDCC entered GDCA competition in 1947/48. Premiership winning captain.



ROD ROSEWELL: Right arm bowler; played 31 seasons for the club and 342 games; Life Member; all time most wickets for the club with 784 wickets at an average of 15.82. Played many seasons of 1st grade and many other grades throughout his career. District 4th Grade Player of the Year in 1986/87; District Most Catches Award in 3rd Grade in 1968/69.

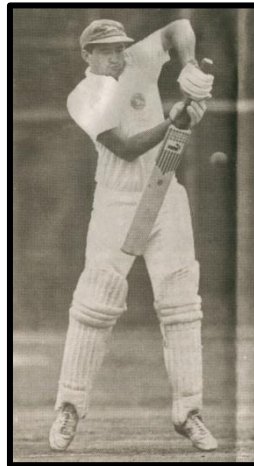
ADAM SEMPLE: Left hand batsman; right arm fast bowler; local junior; nine seasons of mostly 1st Grade scoring 2365 runs at 35.30 and taking 220 wickets at 14.80; District Rep and named as one of the Central Coast's most influential cricketers/top 12 rep players of the last 15 years in 2010. District 1st Grade Player of the Year in 2005/06(560 runs and 54 wickets); District 1st Grade Batting Award winner in 2003/04; District 1st Grade Bowling Award winner in 2000/01 and in 2004/05. Made his first 1st grade century in winning Grand Final in 2000/01. In 2003/04 hit 100 off 28 balls against Doyalson. Club Player of the Year twice.



MARK SHELLEY: Right arm off spin bowler; right hand hard hitting, fast scoring batsman; local junior; 13 seasons mostly first grade took 314 wickets at 18.74; gifted fieldsman taking 86 catches in 138 games. NSW Country Rep; District Rep; Captained 1st Grade in two seasons for consecutive Premierships; winner of club Spin Bowler Of the Year Award five times; club All Rounder of the Year in 1998/99; club Player of the Year in 2001/02 and in 2004/05; club Dedication to the Game Award winner twice; Central Coast Rep Player of the Year in 2002/03.



BRENDAN THORNTON: Left arm spinner and right hand batsman. Prodigious turner of the ball with a unique action. Took 213 wickets at 16.82 in 178 games for the club and scored 3512 runs at 21.44. In 1985/86 scored 397 runs and took 58 wickets in an outstanding 1st Grade season. NSW Country U/17 Rep in 1987/88. District Rep. Local junior.



DON TRIGG: Right arm spinner. Accuracy and drift were his strengths. Played 128 games over 11 seasons with the club taking 329 wickets at an average of 13.00. District Rep.

PAUL WATT: Right hand bat; powerful hitter. Local junior. Played 63 games for the club and scored 2152 runs at 32.12. District 1st Grade Player of the Year in 1989/90 also District 1st Grade Batting Award winner in the same season scoring 701 runs at 53.92. Handy seam bowler who took 131 wickets in his 6 seasons at TEDCC.

ALAN WILKINSON: Left hand batsman. Played 124 games over 13 seasons. Scored 2770 runs at an average of 20.83. Local junior who shared three successive century partnerships with Jim Lemmon for the 3rd wicket in the 1965/66 season. District Rep. A very correct batsman.



CLUB SONG

The tradition of singing a victory song is not something that every player in the club would be aware of. Clint Higson, current 1st Grade Captain states, "As long as I have played for TEDCC we have never to my knowledge had a club victory song, but that changed when Jason Ditton took over the 1st Grade captaincy. He asked me to write something that we could sing after a victory." The song itself goes like this:

The Entrance Gulls are who we are,
You've probably seen us at the bar.
But there is nothing that's more glorious,
Than to see this club victorious.
So join our song for Blue and Gold,
Uphold our standards as of old.
We did it for me and you,
We did it for the Baggy Blue!

Clint adds, "The song is simple, certainly nothing special. What it represents however, is where its strength lies. The song itself is almost irrelevant; that it represents a celebration of achievement with a group of good friends is what's important. It is a celebration of the culture that defines TEDCC, at least the culture that I have experienced in my years anyway."

SPECIAL TRIBUTES

Malcolm Chalmers

Malcolm Chalmers, the then President of TEDCC, was tragically killed in a car accident on 4th December 1985. At the time Malcolm was also the Gosford and Wyong District Cricket Association Secretary as well as a delegate to the Hunter Valley Cricket Council and an executive member of that council. In the 1985/86 GWDCA Annual Report, the President Warren Arkell wrote:

"Those of us who had worked with Malcolm over the years were well aware of his abilities, leadership and sincere qualities and I must say that the establishment of the Malcolm Chalmers Memorial Trophy for the Club of the Year is a most fitting way to remember his contribution to Club Administration and his work with the Association."

This trophy is now presented to a person for their services to the Association. At our own club, in the old clubhouse at Taylor Park, there was the Malcolm Chalmers Memorial Bar. As well, each season, the Malcolm Chalmers Memorial Trophy is awarded to the Clubman of the Year.

Mitchell Bruce

During the 1992/93 season, Mitchell Bruce died suddenly from an undiagnosed heart disorder. Mitchell was a young man full of life who played and worked hard and who had a huge personality and a most generous nature. He played junior and senior cricket with TEDCC and would often be the last to leave the training nets and the last to leave the clubhouse on any social occasion. Mitchell played 110 games for the club, scored 1513 runs and took 289 wickets. He was the District Player of the Year in 2nd Grade in 1987/88 and 1989/90.

He was a true all rounder both in cricket and in life.

TEDCC remembers Mitch each season by the awarding of the Mitchell Bruce All Rounder of the Year trophy.

Brad Dyson

It was on 5/2/1999 that Brad Dyson was suddenly and tragically killed in a workplace accident. Brad was a very young man whose passion for cricket and commitment to his team and club was evident to all those who had the honour and pleasure to meet him or to play with or against him.

The Brad Dyson Memorial Trophy for “Dedication to the Game” is awarded each season to the player or club member who epitomises all the qualities that Brad had and for which he so proudly stood.

As Brad had also played cricket with the Wyong District Cricket Club, it was appropriate that each season the WDCC and TEDCC play for the Brad Dyson Shield.

A FINAL WORD

TEDCC clearly has a long and prestigious history. Portions of that history have existed only on pieces of paper, in scrap books, in old Minutes Books, in photo albums, on YouTube and in folklore and oral stories passed on from one generation to the next. For all the memories and memorabilia that have existed, we have lacked a single authoritative history of the club.

This booklet is a small step in an attempt to bring previously separate chunks of information together into some kind of very short summary so that we would have, at the very least, something which I hope is of interest and of value for this Centenary Celebration.

Obviously much more can be added! To use a cricket analogy: We've started the innings and we have got off the mark, now to build up to a decent score.

This project has been limited by a printer's deadline. Unfortunately this has meant that this booklet has had less time to check facts and figures and less time to fill gaps. In many instances information about the club is left out or could not be found, knowing that moments after people look at this booklet someone will tell me they could have told me the missing information.

I apologise for any errors and/or omissions and I am happy to stand corrected on any details in this booklet.

To all those who have been part of The Entrance District Cricket Club over the past 100 years, thanks for your involvement. To supporters, helpers, sponsors, players, administrators and all who love the club, thanks for doing all the things that in time became history.

GO THE GULLIES!

Bob Newman

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