

# AT THE CREASE

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Carnegie South Cricket Club Newsletter

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## WHAT'S YOUR GOAL?

Here we are again for another summer of cricket with the mighty red-backs. As always, we'll enjoy our cricket and create happy memories of good times in an atmosphere of comradeship with mates, all with their own aims and expectations.

We can make our year far more satisfying however, if we set ourselves a goal and plan an all-out attack on achieving that goal. To reach an aim set by yourself is always a most rewarding experience. Each individual in this club should have his own target and should relish the challenge of pursuing and conquering that aim.

Too often we hear people say "Oh, I can't do that" or "It's no good asking me to do that".

That's too negative! A positive attitude of "Well, I'm going to give it my very best effort, I don't want to let my mates down" will always reap better results.

A prime example of a negative attitude is the player who doesn't want to play in the high grades because he 'doesn't get a bowl as often' or because he 'bats too far down the list'. Not only is that a selfish attitude, but an immature one. A man who has that outlook will never be a success in any walk of life. He's a Loser! He wants the easy way out and there is no such thing. Nobody cares if you're a winner or a loser, as long as you're a 'goer' and want desperately to do your very best at all times.

Your target may be to score more runs than last season, or to hold more catches, or to take more wickets than ever before. It may just be to gain a better understanding of rules and tactics, but whatever it is — set a target to improve yourself!

The great thing about this game of cricket is that it doesn't matter how young or old you are, you can still do better than last week or last year if you grit your teeth and apply yourself all the time. And that includes practice.

Let's take a look at our team targets for 1980-81. Naturally, it's the ultimate aim for every team to win the premiership, but if we look at our situation realistically, we may derive more value from lesser, more practical aims.

The **FIRST XI** target is to get back into B Grade, and that means to play off in the Grand Final (and naturally to win it). This means an improvement of at least one position (or one win) on last season. Anything less than that should be deemed a failure, given normal circumstances. A supplementary target here would be to perform better under pressure.

For the **SECOND XI**, a place in the finals is the goal. This team has improved its position every season for the past five years but must improve on its 7th place last season to keep its record intact. However, anywhere outside the four must be considered a failure to reach its target for 1980-81.

The **THIRD XI**'s record is in sharp contrast to that of our 2nd XI in that it has dropped in each of the past three seasons. In fact, we have dropped two grades in that time. The immediate challenge here is to stop the decline. However, our target must be to reach the J Grade finals and thus improve on our 8th place last season. This team has promised so much in the past but delivered so little. There is no doubt that the ability is there, but in the past, inconsistency has been our downfall. Here is a challenge to all 3rd XI players — improve and become members of our first 3rd XI to play in a finals series.

Our **FOURTH XI** has a single, simple aim — to move higher than 11th place in K Grade. To make the finals would be a bonus, but we must improve and begin our climb up the ladder. The 4th XI is now in its fourth season and should begin to stand up and be counted. The target is really to win more than one game in a season, something we have never achieved. It's all up to you, fellas.

The aim for our **UNDER-14's** is to win the flag. We've already reached the finals in our first season and that was a great effort. But the novelty of that is over now. We're on the march for premiership flags. We haven't had one since 1932, so here is an ideal chance for you boys to make club history. The challenge is yours.

The **UNDER-16** team has no past records to improve upon, but that doesn't mean we don't set ourselves a target. In fact, a bit of friendly rivalry with the Under-14 team may provide some inspiration. They made the finals in their first season. You'll have to do it too! It's a challenge for you not to be left out.

Of course, it goes without saying that our united target as a club is to play the game in the right spirit at all times and to always be proud to say "I play for Carnegie South".

### COMMITTEE 1980-81

President	—	H. WARD
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### Other positions:

Property	—	D. ATKINSON R. FAUVEL
Canteen	—	R. DAVID G. CALLANAN
Social	—	R. DAVID T. BARRY G. SCHWAB

### Captains

1st XI	—	John Earle
2nd XI	—	Dave Atkinson
3rd XI	—	Brian Lyons
4th XI	—	Peter Moait
Under 16	—	
Under 14	—	To be announced

### Vice-Captains

1st XI	—	Ian Wilton
2nd XI	—	Ron Fauvel
3rd XI	—	Greg Callanan
4th XI	—	John Foster
Under 16	—	
Under 14	—	To be announced

### Junior Managers

Under 16	—	Ron Fauvel
Under 14	—	John Earle

# From the Secretary.....

## INSURANCE IS OPTIONAL

This season's insurance cover on players will be optional and not included in the normal subscription fees. For a premium of \$2.50, players can receive the same cover as applied last season. Please see Daryl Pitman immediately if you wish to participate in this scheme. It must be noted that the club will not be liable for any compensation for players not registered under this cover.

## SUBSCRIPTION FEES

The annual subscription fee for 1980-81 is \$30, which includes all match fees. This is a rise of \$3, the first since 1978, and is necessary because of rapidly rising costs. The students' fee has risen to \$18, while the cost for juniors remains the same at \$5. Any player who is still unfinancial by the commencement of Round 6 will not be considered for selection. With many commitments including the practice nets, new equipment (a complete kit for the Under-16's), helmets and many others, it is imperative that players pay their fees as soon as possible.



## WE'VE GOT IT ALL!

McDonalds Family Restaurants have kindly undertaken to support our junior teams this season. Our boys in the Under-14 and Under-16 teams will enjoy the benefit of weekly incentive awards and end-of-season trophies from the food chain.

Many thanks to Anne Fogarty and McDonalds for their support.

## BUSY TIME FOR DAVE

Dave Atkinson became the first Carnegie South member to serve on the executive committee of the C.M.C.A. when he was appointed to that body in August. With his other duties as Vice-President, Property Steward and 2nd XI Captain, Dave will certainly have his time cut out this summer.

And as if Dave hasn't got enough on his plate, he announced his engagement to Debbie Wallace in September. Congratulations from all at the club go to Dave and Debbie.

Many thanks to Mark Bushfield for attending the Junior Delegates' Meeting at such short notice last Tuesday.

## SOCIAL NOTES

by LITTLE JIM

Welcome again to another season. I hope that we have a very successful year on the field and socially. Our first venture will be a **sausage sizzle** on the 2nd Saturday of the first game - October 11th. This will give us a chance to get together and have a chat about how we all went in the first game. Our most important function is of course the **Sportsman's Night** on the 31st October (see notice board). We will soon be paying for our new cricket nets, so it is a must that this night is a big success. Please get as many friends, etc. to attend. We don't like to hit the players for raffles all year, so if we do well, we will be able to continue that policy. As the **Chicken and Champagne** get together on **Cup Day** has been a success in the past, it's on again. As last year, it will be held at the King George Reserve in East Boundary Road on Tuesday, 4th November.

For something different, we would like to arrange a **Progressive Dinner**. Before we can go ahead with the arrangements, is there anyone willing to let us use their home for one of the courses on the night. We have a few names but the more the merrier! As most people would be leaving from the rooms we want to have the three stops fairly close together. Please let me know if you can help as it's a good way for the wives and girlfriends to have a night out. The date set for this is November 29.

For a change the Kids' Christmas Picnic will be at Gumbaya Park, just off the Princes Highway at Tynong North on the 14th December. It's a spacious park with pheasants, kangaroos, peacocks, etc. and should be great for the kids. It also has an adven-

ture playground, gas barbecues and bush walks. The cost is \$1 for adults and 50c for children.

No doubt, something will be arranged for the last Saturday before Christmas. I will welcome ideas that you might have to improve our social agenda.

-Tony Barry

## On the Lighter Side..

Dear Friend,

This chain letter is started by a man like yourself in the hope that this will bring happiness to tired and bored working men.

Unlike most chain letters, this does not cost a cent.

Simply send a copy of this letter to five of your friends who are equally tired and bored.

Then bundle up your wife and send her to the man whose name appears at the top of the list, add your name to the bottom of the list. When your name comes to the top, you will receive 17,747 women, some of these are bound to be an improvement over the one you have.

Have faith, do not break the chain. One man did and got his old lady back. Good luck.

Yours faithfully,

Sammy Davis Jr.  
Profumo  
Rock Hudson  
Lord Astor  
Albert Steptoe.

P.S., At the time of writing this letter, a friend of mine received 357 women. They buried him yesterday. It took five undertakers 36 hours to get the smile off his face.

Do not under any circumstances send a copy of this to Liberace, you may get his brother George.

## CARNEGIE SOUTH CRICKET CLUB SPORTSMAN'S NIGHT

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# Know Your Club

By Daryl Pitman

## ARTHUR'S REUNION

A forty-five year separation from the club he played a large role in founding ended recently for Arthur Tinsley.

Although the name would probably be familiar to few members except Cappy Ward, a former teammate, Arthur holds a special place in our club's history. He was the first ever Secretary, Treasurer and Delegate of our club, then known as Carnegie Traders, when it began back in 1927.

Arthur, now a spritely 70 years of age, was 21 when he played in our only premiership team of 1931-32.

I met Arthur whilst researching our club history, and although he was aware – through Cappy – that his old club still existed, he had no notion that it was any bigger than in his day.

"I had no idea the club was in such a big way", he said, sounding astonished.

Arthur has many happy memories of the late 20's and early 30's when our club was in its infancy. His vivid and colourful anecdotes about his mates of those days make you feel you know them personally. It is hard to believe this friendly retired plumber is one of only a few surviving members of the one, solitary team to win a flag for this club in its 53 years. Arthur could well be the sole surviving member, as nothing is known of the other two or three members who may still be living.

"They were all men in their 30's or older apart from me and Stan Thomas", recalled Arthur at his East Malvern home.

Arthur played football with Caulfield in the Federal League and he beams nostalgically when he remembers how good a side it was. Cappy Ward was President of Caulfield at that time.

Apart from serving as Secretary-Treasurer and Delegate from 1927 to

1934, Arthur earned himself a unique niche in our history by helping to lay the first wicket for our club at Flatman's Paddock (market gardens opposite the Truganini Road tram terminus where The Crossover now stands).

Arthur had a stint at Carnegie, but returned to the Traders after less than a season.

"They were a conservative lot, who didn't worry about fostering the youngsters – we did".

It may surprise many people to know we had two teams right back in the late 20's.

"The depression was a hard time, but we always had good equipment", mused Arthur, who boasts more muscles than the local fish shop.

His last cricket was played with East Malvern (Darling) just before the war. With his own business, there was no time for cricket after that. Arthur also played A-Grade tennis whenever he had the chance.

"If we finished the game on the first day, or early on the second day, we'd race off and have a game of tennis", he said.

No wonder he still looks so fit!

Arthur has been extremely helpful in the search for our past and has generously donated two of his prized possessions to the club – a 1931-32 C.T.C.C. Premiership cap and the 1932-33 scorebook – both in perfect condition. The photograph of the premiership team now hanging in our clubrooms was also made possible by Arthur's generosity in allowing us to copy his original.

Arthur Tinsley holds a special place in the history of our proud club and it will be great to see him back again. Make yourself known to Arthur and make him welcome.

Make him proud of what he and a few of his mates started 54 seasons ago.



Ssssh! Don't read this aloud. The information I'm about to divulge is a political red-hot potato and if it happened to fall into the wrong hands, all hell could break loose.

You see, I've been informed by a most reliable source that our home ground, R. H. Lord Park is actually situated on a sacred site.

You can imagine the fuss and furor that will cause if it leaks out. I mean, do you realize what it would be like to have a permanent wicket picket line?

Nobody from the Department of Cricket Grounds on Sacred Sites in Carnegie was available for comment last night, but the local Minister for Commotion, Confusion and Total Bewildrement said he was excited at the prospect.

"Just imagine the tourist trade", he enthused. "It's about time someone else had a turn. Why should the mining companies have all the fun?"

However, I must point out, my source of information did not say what kind or whose sacred site it was, but there must be something in it. Our batsmen always go on strike when they are asked to perform on it.

Anyway, Percy Peewell has never been wrong before.

Our old mate, Jack Tasker at Progressive Fencing says he doesn't care so much whether we win or lose, as long as we look and act like a team at all times. Clean boots, all walking on to the ground together and exemplary behaviour on the field are high on Jack's list of the essentials of a successful team.

I'll drink to that Jack!

You can take it from me that there is no truth in the story doing the rounds that Moorabbin Hospital is going to name the casualty room the John Foster Lounge. They did say, however, that they would keep an extra eye out for John in the future!

### DR. GLEN'S HANDY HINT

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## MORE GIRLS

That future girls' cricket team is really looking good with the arrival of two more little ladies in recent months. In July, Francis and Brian Lyons welcomed their third daughter, Kristy Ann, while Sue and Ken Pooley became proud parents for the first time when Sarah Elizabeth was born in September. This follows the arrival of daughters to the Heveys (Rene) and the Johansons (Reyna) at the end of last season.

Congratulations to all concerned!

## SPONSORS WANTED!

See Daryl Pitman or ring 546 2497.

A cleaning roster for the clubrooms is once again on the notice board. Read it and do your share to look after our rooms. It's YOUR facility!

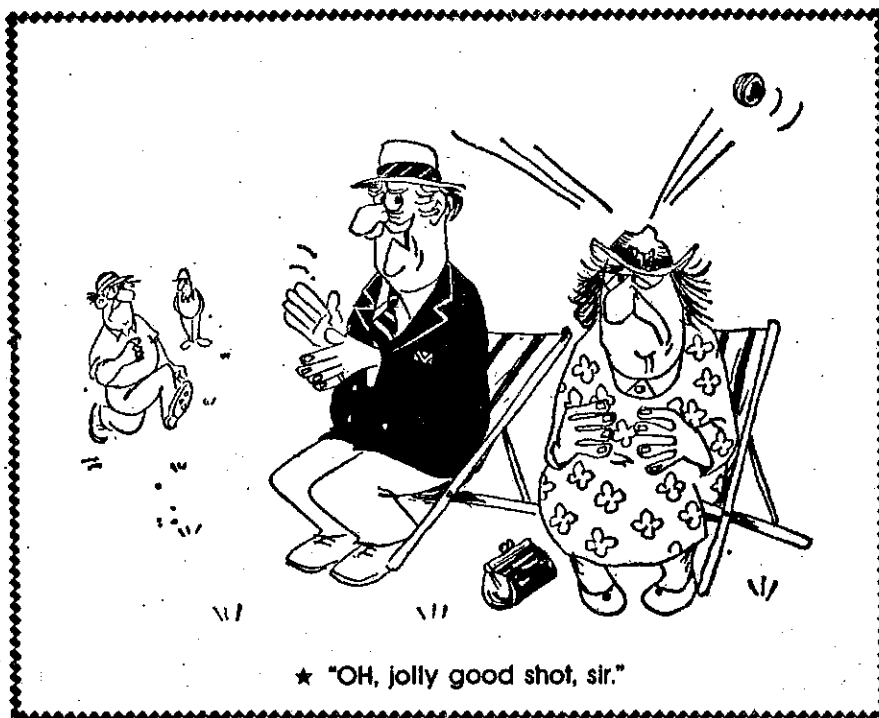
Mark Meredith has been elected Players Representative for this season. See Mark or any member of the committee if you have any problems. Never let them bottle up and grow out of proportion.

So Gazza Semmens is now a married man!

Our hearty congratulations and best wishes go to Sally and Garry on their recent marriage.

The number of the newly-installed telephone in the pavilion is:

211 6143



★ "OH, jolly good shot, sir."

# IMPROVE YOUR CRICKET

BY PETER PHILPOTT

Part 1.

## THE "REAL" CRICKETER

There is more to cricket than being a skilful batsman or bowler. The real cricketer is the man who attempts to learn and understand all facets of the game. So a batsman is interested in unravelling the mysteries of swing or spin bowling; a bowler is interested in the techniques of wicket keeping or opening batting; whilst every player needs to learn the game in order to "read developments" whilst fielding.

One simple explanation of this acquisition of all-round knowledge is that a batsman plays better against bowling he understands; a wicket-keeper is lost without a thorough knowledge of spin-bowling; whilst the knowledgeable fieldsman can be relied upon by his captain without constant supervision.

The real cricketer, whether a Test player or a mediocre club player, wants to investigate the entire game because he is absorbed completely in the intricacies and atmosphere of the game. Of course he wants to know how to bowl the googly, the off-cutter; of course he wants to know how to play the late cut or sweep shot; or when to give or stop a single. Some of these skills he will never perfect or even use, but he wishes to accumulate this knowledge for the sake of his understanding and enjoyment of the game.

Unfortunately players have even reached "first class" cricket without "knowing" the game. They usually reveal this in their out-cricket. Their captains need to constantly watch them, explaining to them, motioning to them. They are unable – or unwilling – to foresee developments, to study individual batsmen, to anticipate a captain's plan. Consequently they are not contributing as fully as they should to team

effort. They may be outstanding batsmen or bowlers but often they are not as valuable to a team as a slightly less talented player who thoroughly knows the game.

So to broaden your understanding of the game is not solely for interests' sake. It also makes you a better cricketer, a player who can fully utilise his or her ability. Certainly the more you know about the skills and methods of cricket, the more fascinating it becomes. It is such a complex game that all who play it continue to learn forever. Often the learning comes from the most unexpected people and places.

One of the strengths of cricket is the generosity of fellow cricketers. Seldom have I met experienced players who are unwilling to share their experience with a youngster. On the contrary most go out of their way to aid all those interested. There is very little age group jealousy in cricket.

But this generosity creates its own problems. The young player may be bombarded by advice from every side, all well-intentioned, some of it useful, some not. The balanced youngster must learn to accept all advice with grace and gratitude, but then to consider it – perhaps discuss it – and eventually decide for himself whether it is applicable or not. No one else can make this final decision.

The player who attempts to follow all advice without consideration is doomed to a career of frustrating theory; the player who listens to no-one will one day realise how much time he has wasted; but the player who listens, considers, balances, then makes *his* decision, is the one who should succeed.