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ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

SEASON 1957-1958

SUTHERLAND SHIRE CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

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Office Bearers and Committee

Season 1957/58

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"C" Grade Delegates to Association:

L. TICEHURST, A. TREDINNICK

Umpires League Delegate to Association:

A. BROWN.

"C" GRADE COMMITTEE:

Chairman:

L. TICEHURST.

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The Annual General Meeting of Sutherland Shire Cricket Association will be held in Sutherland School of Arts Hall on Monday, 23rd June, commencing at 8.00 p.m. prompt.

- Business:
- a) Presentation of trophies.
 - b) Confirmation of minutes of previous Annual Meeting.
 - c) Presentation of Annual Report, Financial Statement and Balance Sheet.
 - d) Receiving of entries of teams.
 - e) Acceptance of notice to alterations to Constitution.
 - f) Accept nominations for Life Membership.
 - g) Election of Office Bearers, six Honorary Vice Presidents and two delegates to N.S.W. Junior Cricket Union.
 - h) General Business.

Refreshments will be available at the adjournment of the Meeting at 10.00 p.m.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The Season just concluded has given me little satisfaction because of a lack of achievement. In my opinion, this lack arises from:

- a) The poor standard of playing fields generally throughout the Shire, and, in particular, the surrounds of each wicket.
- b) The poor display of interest exhibited by most Members of the Association.

No doubt our Shire Council has many demands upon the limited finance available to it and we therefore cannot expect major alterations to the fields. However, I consider that Council could assist by properly maintaining the areas immediately surrounding the wickets, so that they are of an even nature, devoid of potholes etc., and generally of a safe nature to the players. A handful of Association Members assisted the Council this Season by preparing and laying several pitches, as well as the Association itself providing part of the cost. - a little attention by Council to the wicket surrounds would now make these playing fields a lot more attractive to cricketers.

My second thought concerns the apathy of most Members towards their Association and its attempt to foster the game. You don't need reminding that most Clubs are snail-like with their payments, some Clubs find it difficult

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Mr. President and Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Executive Committee I present for your consideration and adoption the Eleventh Annual Report, dealing with the activities of the Association during the 1957/58 Season.

MEMBERSHIP

Once again it is with pleasure that I report a further increase in the number of registered members, and affiliated teams. Including "C" Grade, a total of 828 players were registered, an increase of over 300 from the previous season. This advance in membership was chiefly due to the very successful "C" Grade Competitions which were carried out in a manner never before attempted by the Association. The "C" Grade Committee were an independent body, and functioned separately from the Executive. The President has often commented on the good work done by members of the "C" Grade Committee, and men like Leo Ticehurst, Alan Tredinnick, Jack Moodie, John Woodhouse, and all team managers deserve the highest praise.

COMPETITIONS

Twenty six teams affiliated in the senior competitions and were graded into four grades, - A1, A2, B1 and B2. Newly formed teams were - Jannali, Cronulla Caringbah League, Engadine Hotel, and Caringbah Rangers. All competitions were keenly contested, and the winning teams in each grade were in doubt right up to the last round. In the B1 and B2 Grades it was necessary to hold a play off to decide the Premierships. In the B1 Grade, Heathcote defeated Gymea Bay most convincingly on the first innings, and Southern United downed North Cronulla outright.

The Executive extend heartiest congratulations to the winning teams.

POINTS SCORES.

<u>A1.</u>		<u>A2.</u>	
Sutherland School of Arts	58	Gymea Bay	64
Miranda R.S.L.	56	Southern United	54
Woolooware	50	Cronulla	48
St. Patricks	41	Oyster Bay	38
Evoca	35	Council Employees	32
North Cronulla	22	Miranda Rangers	32
<u>B1.</u>		<u>B2.</u>	
Heathcote	62	Southern United	72
Gymea Bay	62	North Cronulla	72
Evoca	60	Oyster Bay	54
Cronulla Caringbah League	46	Miranda R.S.L.	34
Gymea Bay United	40	Engadine Hotel	24
Sutherland School of Arts	26	Caringbah Rangers	0
St. Patricks	22		
Jannali	18		

It will be noted that in the B2 Grade, Caringbah Rangers failed to record a win. This team forfeited several matches and were eventually declared in default for failing to meet their financial obligations to the Association.

INDIVIDUAL TROPHY WINNERS

"A1" GRADE

Batting Average	J. Dransfield	Miranda R.S.L.	38.8	Ave.
Batting Aggregate	J. Dransfield	Miranda R.S.L.	582	Runs
Bowling Average	A. Eagles	School of Arts	9.66	Ave.
Bowling Aggregate	J. Erickson	Woolooware	59	Wkts.
All Rounder	J. Marston	Miranda R.S.L.	99	Pts.
Wicket-keeper	A. Galbraith	Woolooware	16	Catches,
	31 stumpings, 127 byes in 2766 runs.			
Best Kept Score Book	Mrs. K. Broughton	School of Arts.		

"A2" GRADE

Batting Average	C. Heffernan	Southern United	52.4	Ave.
Batting Aggregate	C. Heffernan	Southern United	886	Runs
Bowling Average	D. Chapman	Gymea Bay	9.12	Ave.
Bowling Aggregate	D. Chapman	Gymea Bay	95	Wkts.
All Rounder	D. Chapman	Gymea Bay	131	Pts.
Wicket-keeper	E. Silva	Cronulla	10	Catches,
	5 stumpings, 109 byes in 2666 runs.			
Best Kept Score Book	Mrs. I. Leslie	Oyster Bay		

"B1" GRADE

Batting Average	J. Hamblin	St. Patricks	68.4	Ave.
Batting Aggregate	J. Porter	Cronulla Caringbah League	634	Runs
Bowling Average	R. Turner	Evoca	8.62	Ave.
Bowling Aggregate	N. McDowell	Gymea Bay	78	Wkts.
Bowling Aggregate	D. Geddy	Heathcote	78	Wkts.
All Rounder	N. McDowell	Gymea Bay	130	Pts.
Wicket-keeper	L. Crane	Gymea Bay	16	Catches,
	5 stumpings, 129 byes in 2506 runs.			
Best Kept Score Book	Mrs. J. Chivers	Evoca		

"B2" GRADE

Batting Average	J. Swinton	North Cronulla	33.63	Ave.
Batting Aggregate	J. Keenan	Southern United	634	Runs
Bowling Average	J. Phillips	Southern United	8.7	Ave.
Bowling Aggregate	J. Thompson	North Cronulla	83	Wkts.
All Rounder	P. Worsley	Oyster Bay	108	Pts.
Wicket-keeper	V. Judge	North Cronulla	14	Catches,
	8 stumpings, 59 byes in 1899 runs.			
Best Kept Score Book	Mrs. W. Yardley	North Cronulla		

Special trophies will also be awarded to C. Heffernan, Southern United and A. Galbraith, Woollooware. Heffernan netted a record number of runs in any season and Galbraith effected a record number of wickets for any season in the role of wicket-keeper.

Trophies will again be presented at the Annual Meeting and all trophy winners are asked to be in attendance.

It is not possible to publish team and individual outstanding performances as the majority of clubs did not complete and return the form which was distributed calling for any performances of merit. To those clubs who did co-operate in this regard, thanks are extended and apologies tendered.

INTER ASSOCIATION COMPETITIONS

Our Martin and Daily Telegraph Shield teams met with a fair measure of success and were a credit to the Association. The Martin Shield Team under the captaincy of K. Broughton played four matches, winning three on the first innings, and losing one on the first innings. Matches won were against C.Y.M. Balmain, and Bankstown and suffered defeat at the hands of Gordon Association. V. Ridge starred for Sutherland in all matches, and proved what a difficult bowler he is to play on turf. Vic. topped both the batting and bowling averages.

Bill Wakely again managed the team and this season he was able to confine his full attentions to the job in hand, and did not have to don creams and turn out with the side (as he has done in previous seasons) due to all players selected turning up.

Tom Keppie managed the Daily Telegraph Shield Team and his report is published as follows: -

"It is with pleasure I submit my report concerning the 1957/58 Daily Telegraph Shield Team.

This team was particularly young and the playing record was outstanding in convincingly winning one match, drawing a match when in a winning position, and losing one match narrowly.

Throughout the series the players conduct and sportsmanship was excellent, and generally all players subscribed in some way to the pleasing results that were obtained. John Hamblin proved to be an outstanding performer with both bat and ball. Other good performers were John Porter, Neville Webb and Reg. Courtney. Reg. also worked hard and most conscientiously as Captain and he must be commended for his organisation in practise and throughout the series. His work with this improved and more experienced young team in the future should bring to the Shire high honours and perhaps the Shield in the very near future.

In conclusion I thank all players for their thorough co-operation and congratulate the selectors in selecting this inspiring young team".

Signed.

T.H. KEPPIE,
(Manager)

The Executive thank all players, and managers who made themselves available during the holiday period, who unfortunately did not play one match at home. Thanks are also extended to the lone Sutherland Umpire who officiated, and the Moore Park Umpires Association who once again came to our assistance.

MARTIN SHIELD - LEADING PERFORMANCES

<u>Batting</u>						
	ins.	n.o.	h.s.	agg.	ave.	catches
V. Ridge	5	1	41x	119	29.75	1
C. Dalmazzo	5	-	62	146	29.2	3
H. Stewart	2	1	21x	26	26	-
M. Foster	3	-	41	73	24.33	-
M. Singh	5	-	61	85	17	2
J. Marston	5	-	46	82	16.4	1

<u>Bowling</u>					
	o	m	w	r	ave.
V. Ridge	33	1	21	133	6.33
D. DeWitt	30	4	8	126	15.75
W. Bartling	28	-	6	137	22.83

DAILY TELEGRAPH SHIELD

<u>Batting</u>						
	ins.	n.o.	h.s.	agg.	ave.	catches
J. Hamblin	3	-	41	86	28.6	2
R. Courtney	3	-	66	78	26	1
J. Porter	3	-	40	75	25	2
D. Dee	3	6	27	41	20.5	-

<u>Bowling</u>					
	o	m	w	r	ave
J. Hamblin	39	4	13	167	12.85
J. Keppie	14	1	6	87	14.5
J. Porter	29	4	5	121	24.2

The managers of both teams were asked to nominate the outstanding player in each team, who accordingly named V. Ridge and J. Hamblin. Special trophies will be presented to these players at the Annual Meeting.

GROUNDS

Considerable difficulty was encountered early in the season securing sufficient grounds to carry out the competitions. Tonkin Park, previously our best ground, is now being converted into a turf wicket, and was only available to the Association for the first two matches. Sutherland Council decided to re-grade and top dress the Sutherland Ground at the commencement of the cricket season, and Seymour Shaw East was made available to the Miranda Soccer

Club during the month of September. This ground was also ploughed up and top dressed after being available to the Association for one Saturday only. A very few members co-operated to assist in the laying of two new wickets at the recently cleared Waratah Ground, and a smaller number still, presented themselves at Breen Park, after all Club Secretaries and delegates had been circularised calling for working bees on these grounds. Later, at Council Meetings, complaints were mouthed by some delegates of the bad approaches to the new wickets. No doubt it is the responsibility of Sutherland Council to attend to the approaches, but there is nothing to stop individual team members spending an hour on their home ground wheeling a few barrow loads of soil and wielding a spade to improve the bowlers lot.

The Georges River Penshurst Association came to our assistance in making available one of their grounds, when the North Cromulla and Evoca Teams were without a ground for one match. We are truly thankful to our friends over the river, and appreciate their co-operation.

It was also necessary to transfer two teams out to the Menai Ground for several weeks until the new wickets became available. At the least, this occasioned a certain amount of inconvenience, but the excellent state of the Menai Ground compensated for this to a great extent.

Part of the expense of laying the three new wickets was borne by Association funds.

LIFE MEMBERS.

The first two members to receive the honour of Life Membership were nominated and duly accepted at the Tenth Annual Meeting.

The evergreen Jim Every and Russ Luxford richly deserved this honour, and both have worked hard for many years in the interests of the Association.

Mr. Every, now in his 77th year has been Secretary of the old Association and Executive Member. His slow left arm deliveries still tie up some batsmen and he was formally a most formidable bowler. It is worth mentioning that Jim made himself available this season for the working bees on the new wickets.

Mr. Luxford was present at the Inaugural Meeting of the Association in 1947 and has been an Office Bearer ever since. He has been President for five years, Secretary for three, Treasurer for two and Senior Vice President the remaining year. During that time there must have been in the vicinity of 350 Association meetings and it is only on rare occasions that Russ is not present. To accept office on the Executive of this Association for eleven consecutive years is quite unique, and I personally cannot envisage anyone else tackling such a proposition.

In recognition of the services of both these men, small presentations, suitably inscribed, have been presented to them.

N.S.W. JUNIOR CRICKET UNION.

The Junior Union again subsidized Associations taking part in the Inter Association Matches by paying a proportion of the ground fees, a fact which was omitted in the last Annual Report.

We were pleased to welcome Mr. Gee, President of the Union, at our Tenth Annual Meeting, who travelled all the way out from the North Shore. Mr. Gee presented some of the trophies, and addressed the Meeting. I hope that the Association can benefit from his remarks, at least, refreshments will be provided at the coming Annual Meeting. Mr. Gee has been connected with the Junior Union for a great number of years, and he has only one more year to go to reach twenty years service as President.

We were sorry to learn of the illness of Mr. Durham who has been confined to bed and wish him a speedy recovery.

SOCIAL MATCH

A social match was arranged by Jim Dransfield between a N.S.W. Cricket Association Eleven, and a representative team from this Association. Warren Saunders, State opening bat, captained the visitors and spectators were treated to some bright cricket. Proceeds from the match went towards the financial well being of the "C" Grade.

Thanks are extended to the Reverend Father McManus, who made available the St. Patricks Hall for the serving of luncheon.

FILM NIGHT

Two very interesting films were shown to delegates by the State and Australian cricketer, Bill Watson. Bill, who was a member of the Australian team to visit New Zealand and the West Indies, exhibited his film record of the two tours. An "off the cuff" discussion by Bill Watson and Warren Saunders, who accompanied him, provided an interesting diversion.

Another interesting interview was held with Umpire Tilley of the N.S.W. Cricket Association, who visited us one night and spoke on the laws of the game, and also related some of his personal experiences while wearing the white coat. On this occasion we were pleased to see several of our own umpires in attendance.

MELBOURNE CUP SWEEP

For the last six or seven years Ken Murphy of the Woollooware Club has printed free of charge tickets for the Melbourne Cup Sweep. It has been my pleasant duty to thank him for his valuable services each year while I have been Secretary, and I have almost run out of superlatives. This method of raising funds, which was first introduced by Ken has proved invaluable, and once again netted a profit to the Association of approximately £50. To you Ken, we do sincerely thank you for your efforts.

First prize of £20 went to J. Forsythe of Dapto.
 Second prize of £10 was won by W. Worsley of Oyster Bay.
 Third prize of £5 was won by A. Ringstad of Cronulla.

TROPHY FUND SCHEME

This scheme met with little success, and is a doubtful proposition for future Executives. When first introduced it was very popular, but the novelty now appears to have worn off. However, if all Clubs would put a little effort into the scheme pleasing financial results could be achieved.

ASSOCIATION NOTES

The Evoca Club have reported a proposed tour of Victoria early in 1959. Club Members will travel by coach and play a series of matches en route. This well organised Club is to be congratulated for their foresight, and the fact that all expenses will be borne from Club Funds.

The St. Patricks Club held a most successful social evening and the invitation to two members of the Executive to attend is appreciated. Len Leslie and myself went along and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves.

Gynea Bay report two record partnerships for the seventh and tenth wicket respectively.

N. McDowell 88 and J. Farrow 70 n.o. put on 112 runs for the 7th wicket in 59 minutes against Gynea Bay United on 22nd April, 1958. This beats the previous reported best partnership by 7 runs.

For the tenth wicket, R. Brothers 50 and L. Crane 59 n.o. scored 95 runs versus Cronulla Caringbah League on 9th November, 1957. Both these matches were B1 Grade fixtures.

Doug Chapman, opening bowler for Gynea Bay A2 bowled a record 295 overs throughout the season, and just failed to take a 100 wickets.

ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

A total of 13 Council Meetings were held throughout the season and although most teams managed to have one delegate present the Meetings generally were not very well attended. Clubs represented as follows: -

Caringbah Rangers	3	Miranda R.S.L.	13
Cronulla Caringbah League	5	North Cronulla	12
Cronulla	10	Oyster Bay	13
Council Employees	7	St. Patricks	13
Engadine Hotel	7	School of Arts	13
Evoca	6	Southern United	11
Gynea Bay	13	Woolooware	7
Heathcote	7	Umpires League	9
Jannali	6	"C" Grade	7
Miranda Rangers	7		

Office Bearers had a total of 71 attendances out of a possible 78.

Nineteen Meetings of the Executive Committee were held and an excellent attendance was recorded as follows: -

R. Luxford	19	
J. Dransfield	18	
J. Fraser	18	
D. Bray	18	
K. Cole	17	
M. Perry	17	
L. Leslie	16	
F. Gilbert	16	
W. Wakely	16	
K. Treadwell	15	
"C" Grade	9	out of a possible 12
A. Brown	8	

The above figures represent 187 attendances out of a possible 201.

CONCLUSION

The Executive extend thanks to all those people who made donations of cash and gear towards the "C" Grade, which was a great help. Details of donations appear in the Treasurer's Report.

I would personally like to thank and congratulate the President, Asst. Secretary, Treasurer and Recorder, for the good job they have done throughout the season.

Jim Dransfield, who came new to the Executive did a wonderful job, and had he had closer support from the Clubs, I feel sure he would have attempted more functions similar to the match versus the N.S.W. Cricket Association Eleven, and the film night. I appreciate the duplicating work he shouldered on my behalf, and numerous other jobs he could easily have avoided.

Len Leslie our Assistant Secretary was always willing to take on any jobs, from supervising concreting work, purchasing trophies, carting mats in his van, and generally doing all the odd jobs. Wherever Len went in his "Pantehnicon" he never failed to take his "Trouble Box" along, this box contained anything from a nail to a block of ice, and anything that was wanted, Len had it.

Our Treasurer, Russ Luxford was always on the ball with anything pertaining to finances, and it appears that he is cut out for this job.

Monty (75 fines) Perry did a good job of recording and publishing match results in the local press, and many clubs found that if their result slips were not received in the specified time, the fine incurred for this breach was imposed.

The past season could very easily be designated the "C" Grade year, and as previously mentioned, members of the "C" Grade Committee deserve the

highest praise. If only one really star cricketer is produced from their ranks, then the effort has been worthwhile. The "C" Grade Report which has been prepared by Alan Tredinnick is included for perusal and adoption.

D. BRAY.

Hon. Secretary.

39 Arcadia Avenue,
GYMEA BAY.

"C" GRADE REPORT

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

During the season 1957-1958 the "C" Grade Committee functioned as an independent body for the first time in the history of this Association. The following gentlemen have been prominent in the cause of school-boy cricket during that period: -

L. Ticehurst	President
J. Moodie	Recorder
J. Woodhouse	Treasurer
A. Tredinnick	Secretary

Committee: Sam Astle, Stan Neilson
and Jim Jamieson.

Many other men have been present at a large percentage of the committee's meetings. They were mainly team managers and club organisers. Ken Hopkins, Stan Cook, John Ladner, Roy Young and Les Keenahan were regular attenders, while Rev. Brother James Hamilton of Boy's Town and Rev. Brother Hannigan of Christian Brothers Sutherland attended whenever possible.

The "C" Grade was organised on three age levels, under 16's, under 14's and under 12's. In the under 12 group, two divisions were necessary, the competition being decided by a play-off between the two division winners. There were 26 teams in all with registrations totalling 385.

Competition Winners:

C1	Miranda Crusaders (36 points)
C2	Evoca (36 points - Boystown 36 points - Play-off)
C3	Magpies (Division (1) Caringbah - Division (2) Magpies - Play-off)

All three competitions were keenly contested with final games being vital to the result. No team won by an overwhelming margin. The division play-off between Caringbah Rangers and Miranda Magpies in the under 12 age group was won by two runs on the first innings.

In interdistrict competition the results achieved by our under 16's and under 14's were not outstanding, but all those who saw the games are convinced that our venture into this sphere was worthwhile because of experience gained. The prospects for next year should be considerably brighter. The under 14 team received the one and only home fixture. They won this match comfortably. All other matches were played away. Some considerable distances were covered by the players but transport was always available. In particular Mr. Len Leslie and Mr. Mick Foster deserve our thanks for services rendered.

Trophy winners this season were as follows: -

C1 - (Under 16)

Best Batting Average	R. Young (Rangers)	37.6	
Highest Score	N. Ryan (Crusaders)	77	Vs. Magpies.
Highest Aggregate	N. Ryan	272	
Best Bowling Average	N. Ryan	6.7	
Most Wickets in a Season	R. Young	32	
Most Wickets in Innings	B. McLeod (Rangers)	8 - 11	Vs. S. United
	R. Young)	8 - 55	Vs. Magpies
All Rounder	R. Young (Miranda Rangers)		

C2 - (Under 14)

Won by Evoca. The various trophy winners in this division were: -

Best Batting Average	C. McCann (Boys Town)	47.00	
Highest Score	K. Thompson (St. Patricks)	77	not our Vs. Caringbah Meths.
Highest Aggregate	R. Browne (Evoca)	210	Runs.
Best Bowling Average	R. Browne	5.7	
Most Wickets for Season	R. Browne	39	
Most Wickets for Innings	R. Browne	7.49	Vs. Boys Town.
Best All Rounder	R. Browne		

The standard of play in this division was high. All teams putting-up most creditable performances. Boys Town could be considered unlucky in losing members of its team. They defeated Evoca in the early rounds, in the final match they were in a commanding position but the "Bull Dog" spirit of the Premier side proved master. Better luck next time Boys Town.

C3 - (Under 12)

Won by Miranda Magpies. The trophy winners in this division were: -

Best Batting Average	P. Neilson (Gynea Bay)	49.2	
Highest Score	R. Every (Magpies)	105	not out Vs. Caringbah Sports.
Highest Aggregate	P. Neilson (Gynea Bay)	492	
Best Bowling Average	R. Watson (Magpies)	2.7	

Most Wickets In Season	P. Neilson	(Gynea Bay)	46
Most Wickets in Innings	(G. Shrubsole	(Magpies) 8.7 Vs. Boys Town
		L. Perkins	(Caringbah) 8.3 Vs. Magpies (Final)
Best All Rounder	P. Neilson	(Gynea Bay)	

The standard of play in this division was high.

Division A.

Caringbah went through scoring maximum points. The best performance from the team was 6 down for 364 runs, Caringbah getting this honour from Evoca. St. Andrews had three players getting the hat trick, also against Evoca.

Division B.

Miranda Magpies met tougher opposition in winning their division. The final between A and B Caringbah Vs. Magpies was played at Seymour Shaw Park with keen spirit being the order of the day. This game brought the greatest number of spectators to see a competition match in the Sutherland Shire, which showed the keenness this type of cricket will bring to the Shire. Magpies captured the honours by capitalising on Caringbah's nervousness.

Next year the game will again be played in the same standard and spirit as the season just completed and bring to cricket in this Shire the tonic it needs. Congratulations must go to the managers of the various teams, win or lose, for the standard of play in all divisions. No record ever shows what these men do for the game of cricket.

Much of the success of the "C" Grade Competition this year was due to the generosity of men who donated gear to the newly organised teams. Mr. Frank Hyde was responsible for equipping four teams of boys from Boys Town. Many clubs in the Shire helped with donations of gear. Mr. Thompson of Cronulla also helped with a donation of £5:5:0.

Nearly all teams had started the Season with practically no gear but within a short time there was a fair supply of gear for all teams.

Only one century was scored during the season. This was in the under 12 (C3) grade where R. Every, playing for Magpies against Caringbah Sports scored 105. The merit of this innings cannot be too highly praised as Robert was practically blind in one eye at the time. He has since entered hospital for an eye operation which has restored some of the sight to his bad eye. The association wishes him well and extends its sympathies towards all bowlers he may meet in the future. Other notable performances were put in by Phillip Neilson also of the C3 grade, who twice reached the nineties but just failed to get three figures in the book.

To all A and B Grade players I would like to pass on this message. The "C" Grade has a great deal to offer to cricket in this Shire. It is obvious to anyone that the cricketers of the future will come from its ranks. But more important than that the "C" Grade can be the salvation of cricket in this Shire, I think all who know cricket will agree with me that better organisation would make the game a whole lot more enjoyable. This is the great advantage that can be gained from "C" Grade. There are strong sporting organisations springing up at Caringbah and Miranda, so far they have confined their activities to school-boy cricket, but the time will come when they will spread further afield.

It is only from clubs of this sort that the Sutherland Shire Cricket Association can expect administrators keen enough and capable enough to provide the Shire with a good standard of cricketing enjoyment. An association is only as strong as the clubs which rely on it. Until we get powerful, well organised clubs, the Association will continue to struggle against the sort of apathy and irresponsibility which we have come to expect from cricketers, myself included.

There is a trend today towards community interest in sport. As evidence of this, I would cite the Caringbah Junior Sports Club which entered three under 12 teams in the C3 Grade this year. There is also the Miranda Magpies Sports Club which was inaugurated only this year, but which will almost certainly enter 3 teams in the "C" Grade Competitions next year. These clubs cover a great variety of sports - cricket, Baseball, Rugby League and Soccer. Their executives will be all the year round teams, and we can expect their representatives at Association Meetings to be interested and efficient.

It would be grossly ungrateful if I did not mention the debt I owe to so many for their assistance during the past season. The co-operation of the members of the "C" Grade Committee has been heart-warming and invaluable. The encouragement and understanding shown by all members of the senior body and especially the Executive has made our task much easier.

In closing I would like to thank all those managers who have written to comment on various phases of the "C" Grade Competition. They have invariably written in to speak of the enjoyment they have had from their cricket and the good sportsmanship and splendid conduct of the boys they meet. I can confidently say that the season has been a successful one, and that my work has been rendered much easier through the knowledge that my associates have only the interests of cricket at heart.

I would like to pay particular thanks to the Chairman, Mr. I. Ticehurst, Treasurer, Mr. Woodhouse and the Publicity and Recording Officer, J. Moodie for the assistance they have given me and I hope I have served my duties as desired.

Mr. Jim Dransfield deserves a special mention for the way in which he won the confidence of all "C" Grade Committee members. By his constantly reiterated avowal of faith in the Committee, he gave us a feeling of achieving something worthwhile. No one could have been more considerate.

Particular thanks must be paid to the Wives of Committee members - Neilson, Moodie and Tredinnick, also to the Christian Brothers of St. Patricks School for the use of their rooms, and also to the Miranda R.S.L. Club.

A. TREDINNICK.

Hon. Secretary.

MANAGERS OF "C" GRADE TEAMS

BOYS TOWN	(four teams)	Brother J. Hamilton,	Boys Town, Engadine.
CARINGBAH JUNIOR SPORTS CLUB	(three teams)	S. Cooke	45 Telopia Avenue, Caringbah.
Caringbah Eagles		K. Hopkin	48 Telopia Avenue, Caringbah.
Caringbah Rangers		A. Tredinnick	75 Port Hacking Road, Caringbah.
Caringbah Sports		J. Blackwell	387 Willarong Road, Caringbah.
CARINGBAH METHODISTS	(one team)	J. Fripp	43 Telopia Avenue, Caringbah.
EVOCA	(two teams)	J. Moodie	58 Acacia Road, Sutherland.
		J. Jamieson	9 Kenneth Avenue, Kirrawee.
ENGADINE SUTHERLAND METHODISTS	(one team)	J. Hastie	Lot 4 Calderra Street, Engadine.
GYMEA BAY	(one team)	S. Neilson	118 Gynea Bay Road, Gynea.
MIRANDA CRUSADERS	(one team)	J. Chamberlin	Wonga Road, Yowie Bay.
MIRANDA MAGPIES	(two teams)	R. Young	24 Kiwong Street, Yowie Bay.
		J. Ladner	Kiwong Street, Yowie Bay.
MIRANDA METHODISTS	(one team)	A. Peterson	32 Chapman Street, Gynea.
MIRANDA RANGERS	(one team)	A. Tredinnick	75 Port Hacking Road, Caringbah.
MIRANDA ROVERS		S. Astle	18 Gibb Street, Miranda.
		L. Keenahan	3 Woonah Street, Miranda.
ST. ANDREWS, CRONULLA	(two teams)	K. Llewellyn	President Centre, Caringbah.
		B. Kime	9 Poziere Street, Cronulla.
ST. JOHNS, SUTHERLAND	(one team)	C. Watts	The Rectory, Sutherland.
ST. PATRICKS	(four teams)	L. Ticehurst	84 Georges River Road, Jannali.
		Brother Hannigan	Christian Brothers College, Sutherland.
		Brother Bolton	" " " "
SOUTHERN UNITED	(one team)	M. Cooper	246 Gynea Bay Road, Gynea Bay.

NUMERICAL STRENGTH OF THE ASSOCIATION 1947-58

<u>Season</u>	<u>Teams</u>	<u>Members registered</u>
1947 - 48	24	Figures unavailable.
1948 - 49	37	586
1949 - 50	27	464
1950 - 51	17	315
1951 - 52	16	285
1952 - 53	15	272
1953 - 54	22	370
1954 - 55	20	380
1955 - 56	21	390
1956 - 57	30	498
1957 - 58	52	828

NUMERICAL STRENGTH OF EACH AFFILIATED CLUB 1957-58

<u>Club</u>	<u>Teams</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Registered Members.</u>	<u>Last Season.</u>
Caringbah Rangers	1	B2	21	-
Cronulla Caringbah Rugby League	1	B1	25	-
Council Employees	1	A2	26	26
Cronulla	1	A2	14	16
Engadine Hotel	1	B2	24	-
Evoca	2	A1 & B1	36	42
Gynea Bay	3	A2 & B1	56	50
Heathcote	1	B1	21	21
Jannali	1	B1	15	-
Miranda Rangers	1	A2	20	17
Miranda R.S.L.	2	A1 & B2	36	32
North Cronulla	2	A1 & B2	35	35
Oyster Bay	2	A2 & B2	33	35
St. Patricks	2	A1 & B1	36	37
School of Arts	2	A1 & B1	36	48
Southern United	2	A2 & B2	36	39
Woolooware	1	A1	14	15

The respective figures for each grade are as follows:-

- A1 six teams 87 members, last season, eight teams 122 members.
- A2 six teams 105 members, last season, no A2 Grade.
- B1 eight teams 164 members, last season, eight teams 149 members.
- B2 six teams 127 members, last season, eight teams 160 members.

A total of 385 members were registered in the "C" Grade.

SUTHERLAND SHIRE CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

Statement of Receipts and Payments from 4/7/57 to 14/5/58.

RECEIPTS:

Team Affiliations		26. 0. 0	
483 Registrations		108. 13. 6	134. 13. 6
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Match Fees			335. 10. 6
Fines			14. 2. 6
Clearances			6. 8. 6
Donations			5. 5. 0
Donations to "C" Grade		17. 17. 0	
"C" Grade Competition		30. 6. 0	
W. Watson Picture Night		3. 6. 0	
W. Saunders Match	21. 5. 6		
less Expenses	<u>4.13. 4</u>	<u>16. 12. 2</u>	68. 1. 2
Melbourne Cup Sweep		82. 16. 0	
less Prizes		<u>45. 0. 0</u>	37. 16. 0
Trophy Fund (profit and unsold prizes)			239. 8. 0
Transfer of Trust Account			62. 0. 0
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			£ 903. 5. 2
	CREDIT AT 4/7/57		139. 18. 3
	CHEQUE WRITTEN OFF		6. 0. 0
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			£ 1,049. 3. 5
	HELD FOR "C" GRADE		20. 4. 5
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			£ 1,028. 19. 0
	HELD FOR INSURANCE		19. 18. 0
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			£ 1,009. 1. 0
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Take note that certain items concerning the 1957/58 season are still to be paid, whilst certain clubs still owe fees.

The above statement is yet to be audited.

RUSS. LUXFORD. (Treasurer)

PAYMENTS:

Ground Rentals to Sutherland Council			82. 0. 0
Purchase of Matting	184. 1. 1		
Repairs to Matting	58. 3. 8	242. 4. 9	
		<u>23. 0. 0</u>	219. 4. 9
less Hirings			
Concrete for Cncl. Wickets		31. 15. 0	
Bal. Wicket Account to Council		20. 0. 0	51. 15. 0
		<u>24. 15. 0</u>	
Insurance Claims Paid			28. 8. 0
Public Risk Policy			3. 16. 6
Score-books		10. 16. 0	13. 19. 0
less Sales			
		<u>1. 10. 0</u>	12. 10. 0
Hall Rents			
Printing, Stationery		36. 6. 0	
Petty Cash		24. 11. 0	
Cheque Books		1. 10. 0	62. 7. 0
		<u>5. 5. 0</u>	2. 0. 0
Transportation			
Affiliation to N.S.W.J.C.U.		10. 11. 6	
Capitation Fees DO		6. 14. 0	22. 10. 6
Ground Fees DO			
		<u>16. 14. 10</u>	
Rep. Teams Caps	16.14.10		
Watson Shield Umpires	3. 0. 0		
Balls for Rep. Teams	10.13. 0	30. 7. 10	
		<u>8. 3. 0</u>	
less Batting Fees	8. 3. 0		
Refunds	13. 9	8. 16. 9	21. 11. 1
		<u>28. 11. 9</u>	
"C" Grade Equipment			28. 11. 9
Pennants and Trophies - 1956/57			21. 8. 9
4 x £15 Winning Teams 1957/58		60. 0. 0	
Trophies 1957/58		66. 7. 9	126. 7. 9
		<u>40. 0. 0</u>	
Honorariums 1957/58	Secretary	10. 0. 0	
	Treasurer	10. 0. 0	
	Asst. Secretary	10. 0. 0	
	Recorder	10. 0. 0	70. 0. 0
		<u>2. 2. 0</u>	
Donation to Empire Games Fund		2. 2. 0	4. 4. 0
Donation to N.S.W.J.C.U. Benefit			
		<u>2. 2. 0</u>	
			<u>£ 770. 14. 1</u>
			238. 6. 11
			<u>£1,009. 1. 0</u>
			<u>238. 6. 11</u>
			<u>£1,009. 1. 0</u>
			<u>238. 6. 11</u>
			<u>£1,009. 1. 0</u>

BALANCE 14/5/58

ASSOCIATION OFFICE BEARERS 1947-58

<u>Season</u>	<u>President</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
1947-48	R.E. Luxford	L. Ticehurst	C.L. Wiseman
1948-49	R.E. Luxford	L. Ticehurst	C.L. Wiseman
1949-50	R.E. Luxford	L. Ticehurst	C.L. Wiseman
1950-51	R.E. Luxford	J. O'Neill	C.L. Wiseman
1951-52	R. King	R.E. Luxford	J. McClymont
1952-53	R. King	R.E. Luxford	J. McClymont
1953-54	J. McClymont	R.E. Luxford	G. Bray and J.W. Fraser
1954-55	R.E. Luxford	D. Bray	J.W. Fraser
1955-56	E.H. Robinson	D. Bray	J.R. Corkish
1956-57	E.H. Robinson	D. Bray	R.E. Luxford
1957-58	J. Dransfield	D. Bray	R.E. Luxford

HONORARY SECRETARIES OF AFFILIATED CLUBS 1957-58

Caringbah Rangers	P. Iacono	322 Taren Point Road, Caringbah.
Cronulla Caringbah Rugby League	R. Willett	Riverview Road, Cronulla.
Council Employees	A. McLennan	12 Balfour Avenue, Caringbah.
Cronulla	R. King	5 Oxford Street, Sutherland.
Engadine Hotel	F. Williams	Ridge Road, Engadine.
Evoca	J. Moodie	58 Acacia Road, Sutherland.
Gymea Bay	G. Bray	39 Arcadia Avenue, Gymea Bay.
Heathcote	K. Cole	26 Grevillea Grove, Heathcote.
Jannali	J. Barton	3 Evans Street, Como.
Miranda Rangers	R. Fletcher	53 Attunga Road, Yowie Bay.
Miranda R.S.L.	J. Marston	6 Willock Avenue, Miranda.
North Cronulla	C. Cook	7 Kamira Road, Caringbah.
Oyster Bay	L. Leslie	65 Como Road, Oyster Bay.
St. Patricks	J. Woodhouse	122 Flora Street, Sutherland.
School of Arts	T. Skillcorn	Lot 143 Langer Avenue, Caringbah.
Southern United	A. Hammond	8 Oliver Road, Heathcote.
Woollooware	J. Schomberg	43 Chapman Street, Gymea.
Umpires League	A. Brown	45 Clements Parade, Sutherland.