



# NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT



SYDNEY SHIRES  
CRICKET UMPIRES  
ASSOCIATION

SEASON 2019-20

# 2019-2020 Premierships

## Frank Gray Shield

16 February 2020  
Bexley Oval  
Lindfield 6/247  
(50 overs)  
defeated  
Georges River 6/242  
(50 overs)

Simon Dodwell  
Anthony Raymond

**1st Grade**  
Auburn

**2nd Grade**  
Auburn

**3rd Grade**  
Strathfield

**4th Grade**  
Strathfield

**5th Grade**  
Balmain South Sydney

**Chappelow Cup**  
Macquarie University



Pictured is Kanebridge Oval on 01.02.2020 – First Grade North West Sydney v Warringah Ian Bowman & Michael Dunn Temperature reached 47° Play called at 10:00am Stumps called at 7:37pm Day 2 washed out







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**Office Bearers**



**PRESIDENT**

2016–Present David Goodman  
 2013–2016 Mark Hughes  
 2008–2013 Peter Friend  
 2005–2008 George Richards  
 2004–2005 John Moore  
 2003–2004 Bruce Parfett  
 2001–2003 Peter Turner

**SECRETARY**

2001–Present Stephen Blomfield

**TREASURER**

2014–Present Trevor Schokman  
 2010–2014 Michael Wheeler  
 2001–2010 Gordon Smith

**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

*Back row left to right*  
 Ken Buckland, Patrick Smellie  
 Glen Hanshaw, Rick Crocono  
 Cameron Duff  
*Front row left to right*  
 Trevor Schokman, Stephen Clements,  
 David Goodman, Stephen Blomfield

**LIFE MEMBERS**

Ian Bowman, Stephen Blomfield  
 Trevor Schokman, Gordon Smith  
 (George Richards absent)

*Front cover: Anthony Raymond – Frank Gray  
 Grand Final. Back Cover: Cameron Duff – First  
 Grade Qualifying Final*





# Members PAST & PRESENT

1	Turner, Peter	65	Brady, Steve*	138	Davies, Reece	211	Cotter, Mark
2	Beesley, Graham*	66	Hammond, Brett*	139	Hamilton, Ian*	212	Elloy, Keith
3	Blomfield, Stephen <sup>LM</sup>	67	Hinks, Andrew*	140	McAndrew, Bob*	213	Lulka, Adrian
4	Carroll, Phil*	68	Roche, Glenn*	141	George, Cherian*	214	Maxwell, Stephen
5	Donnellan, Tom*	69	Thomson, Ian	142	Baxter, Brett*	215	Overland, Tim
6	Friend, Peter*	70	Tribolet, Brett	143	Conway, Michael	216	Sant, Shalil*
7	Guha, Ronnie*	71	Bharadwaj, Vijay*	144	Singham, Mano*	217	Thorpe, Jason*
8	Hanshaw, Glen	72	Cocks, Graeme*	145	Clements, Stephen	218	Khan, Zafar*
9	Haviland, Chris*	73	Dobbin, Patrick*	146	Bergman, Tony	219	Panse, Kushal
10	Hickey, Dave*	74	Hasty, Jon*	147	Clover, Stewart*	220	Basappa, Bharat
11	Holland, Ivan	75	Luke, William**	148	Vella, Aaron	221	Dodwell, Simon
12	ayaweera, Jay*	76	Maloney, Rob	149	Brown, Robert*	222	Evans, Shane*
13	Jegathesan, Jeriam*	77	Marquet, Jonathan*	150	Hameed, Asad*	223	Kirkness, John
14	Kearney, Chris**	78	Narayanan, Vishy*	151	Bell, Grahame	224	Ahmed, Afsar
15	Keierleber, David*	79	Pardy, Bill*	152	Decosta, Kaysee	225	Gavin, David*
16	Luckman, Terry *	80	Ponsford, Derek	153	Davies, Keith	226	Mullane, Peter
17	MacGillivray, Bruce**	81	Street, Gary*	154	Martin, Dean*	227	Pryde, Ian
18	Owen, Alan*	82	Hughes, Mark	155	Chakraborty, Bidhan*	228	Fagan, Dave
19	Parfett, Bruce *	83	Mathews, Rupert	156	Saha, Subrata*	229	Doughty, Ken
20	Pepper, Glenn*	84	Ritchie, Matt**	157	Debnath, Neil*	230	McTegg, Michael
21	Quaken, Keith*	85	Jones, Colin*	158	McCarty, David*	231	Abubakr, Irfan
22	Rajogopalan, Ragoo*	86	Romeo, Joe*	159	Jaensch, Ron*	232	Evans, Mick
23	Ralston, Tim*	87	Superina, Dean*	160	Steindler, Andrew	233	Tregeagle, Richard
24	Roberts, Michael	88	Parker, Graham*	161	York, Paul*	234	Srinivasakannan, Sundar
25	Sammy, Rajan*	89	Mooney, Peter	162	Barnes, John	235	Yasin, Sohail
26	Shiner, Tom *	90	Chambiras, Paul**	163	Tabrett, Ian	236	Sims, Matthew*
27	Smith, Gordon <sup>LM</sup>	91	Coleman, Paul*	164	Dunford, Clive*	237	White, Garry
28	Starks, Steve	92	Treloar, Ben	165	Hunter, Kim	238	Searles, Gary
29	Taylor, Geoff*	93	Gupte, Vinayak*	166	Riley, Gerard	239	Christopher, Grant
30	Thorpe, Ken*	94	Kingsford-Smith, Tony*	167	Oppenheim, Dennis	240	Reid, Glen*
31	Wentzel, Karl*	95	Nyers, Peter*	168	Pointer, Martyn*	241	Shankar, Arun
32	Yeend, Stuart*	96	Charlesworth, Adrian*	169	Sowter, Michael*	242	Cartwright, Graeme*
33	Buckland, Ken	97	Goodger, Darren	170	Ryan, Tim*	243	Sharkey, Vin
34	DeSilva, Kapila*	98	Watson, Arthur	171	Burke, John*	244	Taylor, Chris N*
35	Dhandapani, Khadhir*	99	Campbell, Neil*	172	Fonseka, Jude	245	Izard, Daniel
36	Gale, Andrew*	100	Stiller, Wesley*	173	du Plessis, Berend	246	Ganguly, Saurabh
37	Gandevia, Robin*	101	Smellie, Patrick	174	Fairlie, Simon	247	Jayakody, Dhanushka
38	Goodman, David	102	Moody, Andrew*	175	Hossain, Bayazed*	248	Patel, Hitesh*
39	Iyer, Malli*	103	Tunks, Greg*	176	Prabhakar, Yatin*	249	Iyer, Yegnesh
40	Johnston, Patrick*	104	Parker, Trevor	177	Rahman, Ashafur*	250	Smith, David
41	Moore, John*	105	Hood, Philip*	178	Turmanis, Juris	251	Vyse, Warwick
42	Richards, George <sup>LM</sup>	106	Dowling, Jason*	179	Turner, Michael*	252	Ottaviano, Joe
43	Rush, Gary*	107	Harvey, John*	180	Stubbings, Glen*	253	Sibtain, Syed*
44	Rutherford, Neil*	108	Apter, Jamie*	181	Brady, Jason*	254	Arok, Stephen*
45	Shellens, Jim	109	Alliston, Bill*	182	White, Graeme*	255	Leahy, Kevin
46	Whitehouse, Bruce	110	Ward, Malcom	183	Newsom, Ian	256	Ford, Noel
47	Younan, Daniel*	111	Clift, Paul	184	Scott, Ross	257	Hansell, John*
48	Byrne, Laurie*	112	Rowell, Adam*	185	Moore, Wayne*	258	van den Nieuwenhof, Tony
49	Christen, Richard	113	Yousef, Salman*	186	McGinn, Cameron	259	Bristow, Bradley
50	Garlick, Peter*	114	McLean, Scott*	187	Crocono, Rick	260	Haider, Meekail
51	Green, Alan*	115	Wheeler, Geoff	188	Raymond, Anthony	261	Solanki, Sachin
52	Harrison, Spencer	116	Wheeler, Mike	189	Duff, Cameron	262	Carew, Ian
53	Knowles, Warren*	117	Williams, Chris	190	Kenneally, Trevor*	263	Khan, Maqsood
54	McKinnon, Jeff*	118	Breakspear, Brian	191	Hendricks, Bill	264	Islam, Rafiqul
55	Mulligan, Luke*	119	Khale, Shailesh	192	DeCelis, Brian	265	Marsh, Paul
56	Murphy, Steve	120	Whyte, Craig*	193	Burton, Daniel *	266	Jha, Ashutosh
57	Ossewey, Brett*	121	Deacon, Lachlan*	194	Kotak, Kamlesh*		
58	Ridge, Owen*	122	Campbell, Malcolm*	195	Banodkar, Mahesh		
59	Schokman, Trevor <sup>LM</sup>	123	Smith, Cameron*	196	Baker, Andrew*		
60	Scott, Wesley*	124	Calvert, Scott*	197	Damodaran, Rajesh*		
61	Tasker, Peter*	125	Arora, Sunil*	198	Dunn, Michael		
62	Taylor, Chris	126	Robertson, Bob*	199	Chegwidden, Les		
63	Bird, Tony*	127	Raghavendra, Venkatesh*	200	Syed, Mirwais*		
64	Bowman, Ian <sup>LM</sup>	128	Lardner, Craig*	201	Lees, Craig		
		129	Madan, Ajit	202	Pardesi, Brijesh*		
		130	Cordner, Geoff*	203	Finnemore, Clay		
		131	Shield, Bob	204	Stewart, Nigel*		
		132	Wood, Stuart	205	Srinivasan, Pawan*		
		133	Ramakrishnan, Keeran	206	Pillai, Ananthan		
		134	Napper, Peter*	207	Pryde, Scott		
		135	Rees, Martin*	208	Alexander, Isaac*		
		136	Paxton, Homer	209	Boorer, Matt		
		137	Davies, Adam*	210	Carter, Charlie		

LM = Life Member

\* = no longer a member

\*\* = joined & resigned from  
the Association more than  
once

This list has been compiled in  
the order members have joined  
the Association



# Umpire of the Year

## Stephen Blomfield

Simon Dodwell	2018–19
Simon Dodwell	2017–18
Anthony Raymond	2016–17
Anthony Raymond	2015–16
Anthony Raymond	2014–15
Stephen Blomfield	2013–14
Stephen Blomfield	2012–13
Darren Goodger	2011–12
Brett Tribolet	2010–11
Peter Mooney	2009–10
Chris Taylor	2008–09
Bruce Whitehouse	2007–08
Chris Taylor	2006–07
Chris Taylor	2005–06
Stephen Blomfield	2004–05
John Moore	2003–04
Bruce Parfett	2002–03
Bruce Parfett	2001–02

Stephen Blomfield is the winner of the Shires Umpire of the Year award for season 2019–20 in a tightly contested race that saw three members all finish very close to each other after the tallying of all captains' marks were completed.



Stephen's captains' marks tallied up to an average score of 91.8 out of 100 with the overall Association average mark being 78.2 out of 100. At season's end Stephen's mark of 91.8 has narrowly beaten his nearest rival who finished the season on 91.6 out of 100, with third place tallying 91.4 out of 100.

Congratulations to Stephen on winning his fourth umpire of the year award.

# Masters' & Classics' UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

## Ian Pryde

Saurabh Ganguly	2018–19
Michael Wheeler	2017–18
Ken Buckland	2016–17
Ken Buckland	2015–16
Tony Bergman	2014–15



Ian Pryde is the winner of the 2019/20 Umpire of the Year - Masters and Classics Cricket Competitions

The criteria to win this award is that a member must have at least 10 captains assessments (ie have umpired at least five matches) in the Masters and Classics competitions during the season. The winner is the member with the highest season average mark from those assessments.

Ian has just completed his third full season with the SSCUA. Besides his contribution to Masters and Classics cricket his performances on field was rewarded in Shires Round 5 where Ian was elevated to his debut in Shires First Grade. From there he had an excellent season and was potentially in line for an appointment to one of the six Shires Grand Finals, however, the sudden truncation of the season with two weeks to go due to the Corona Virus cut short any potential for officiating one of those Grand Finals. No doubt Ian will be in contention again next season.

In Masters and Classics Cricket Ian stood in a total of six matches accruing a total of 12 captains' assessments while scoring a very high mark of 90.6 out of 100. Captains commented that Ian understood the game and the needs of the players, they say he reads match situations well while not wanting to get too involved. Well done Ian on topping the averages within the Masters and Classics cricket community. Your contribution to these competitions is greatly appreciated by those who play these mature aged competitions.



# Most Improved UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

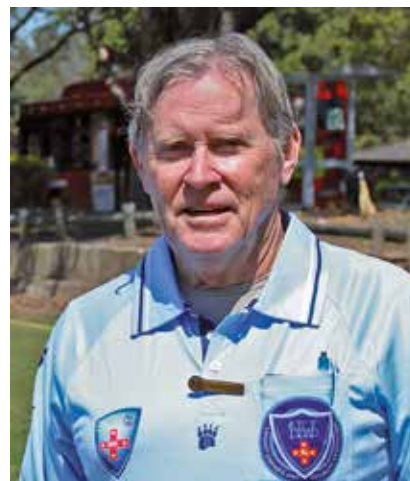
## Ross Scott

Michael Conway	2018–19
Michael Dunn	2017–18
Les Chegwidden	2016–17
Andrew Steindler	2015–16
Ivan Holland	2014–15
Stephen Clements	2013–14
Kim Hunter	2012–13
Rupert Mathews	2011–12
Ian Bowman	2010–11
Greg Tunks	2009–10
David Goodman	2008–09
Richard Christen	2007–08
Trevor Schokman	2006–07
Chris Kearney	2005–06
Geoff Taylor	2004–05

Ross Scott is the winner of the 2019–20 Most Improved Umpire of the Year.

Ross joined the SSCUA in August 2013 and has just completed his seventh season with the Association. A regular contributor to both Saturday and Sunday cricket Ross has during the last seven seasons officiated a total of 79 Shires matches as well as an additional 25 matches in the Masters and Classics competition.

This season Ross received some good assessments from team captains seeing his season assessment average mark in season 2019–20 improve by 16.71%. Another member had a slightly higher percentage improvement but that person was disqualified from this award as one of the other criteria to win is that you must attend at least one Association meeting during the season. Congratulations to Ross on winning this award and we hope to see Ross back next season to improve even further.



Maqsood Khan is the winner of the 2019–20 Rookie Umpire of the Year.

Maqsood joined the Association in August 2019 after having played for many seasons at Auburn Cricket Club. He was enthusiastic about continuing in the game of cricket acknowledging that his playing days were mostly behind him and was keen to start up his umpiring career.

Season 2019–20 saw Maqsood umpire a total of eight matches in Shires cricket all being in Third or Fourth Grade and he scored a solid captains assessment mark across the eight matches he officiated. Family commitments precluded Maqsood from umpiring all 13 rounds but I feel confident that with the experience he gained this season that he will be looking to stand in more games next summer to try and climb the ranks. According to peer assessments Maqsood showed a good aptitude for umpiring, has a solid understanding of the game and performed well when assessed by his more experienced peers.

We look forward to Maqsood's ongoing participation next season. With continued improvement and experience gained I feel confident that he could quickly find himself in Second Grade and from there it is up Maqsood to strive to get even better. Well done Maqsood on your first season of umpiring. May this be the start of many more successful seasons to come.

# Rookie UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

## Maqsood Khan

Vin Sharkey	2018–19
Ian Pryde	2017–18
Tim Overland	2016–17
Clay Finnemore	2015–16
Daniel Burton	2014–15
Anthony Raymond	2013–14
Glen Stubbings	2012–13
Ian Tabrett	2011–12
Aaron Vella	2010–11
Scott Calvert	2009–10







Tantallon Oval. January 11, 2020

# Spencer Harrison – **300** Games





# NSW State Umpires' Report

*It is a pleasure to provide this State Umpiring Manager report for the annual report of Sydney Shires Cricket Umpires' Association.*

*Congratulations to the SSCUA on the quality of umpiring and the quantity of matches covered across the 2019-20 season.*

*The SSCUA goes from strength to strength:*

- *under the leadership of David Goodman and the management committee*
- *due to commitment and hard work from Stephen Blomfield who is an outstanding Secretary and Appointments Officer*
- *because of a dedicated and capable active membership who are passionate about umpiring cricket and serving the Shires competition*

**Darren Goodger**  
State Umpiring Manager



I value my membership of SSCUA and believe members are serviced to an exceptional standard. I try to attend two meetings per year and am always heartened by the wonderful spirit that exists in the SSCUA along with the desire of members to improve their game.

During the season we were pleased to offer appointments to Simon Dodwell and Sachin Solanki. Simon umpired a WBBL trial fixture between Sydney Sixers and Sydney Thunder at Waverley Oval while Sachin umpired a Premier Cricket first grade match between Parramatta and Randwick Petersham at Old Kings.

We offer thanks to all active umpires in the SSCUA for your commitment. May the upcoming 20th anniversary season be one of genuine celebration. The Association has come such a long way and is truly respected by the Shires cricket community. The members are the heart and soul of the organisation.

Our Premier Cricket umpires performed strongly across the season. Information pertaining to captains' assessments on the performance of umpires is shared for your interest:

## NSW PREMIER CRICKET CAPTAINS' ASSESSMENTS

Captains' assessments  
2012-13 to 2018-19

Marks are out of 5. Match Average Only

	PANEL			
	1	2	3	4
2012-13	3.57	3.55	3.51	3.72
2013-14	3.64	3.82	3.65	3.58
2014-15	3.96	3.90	3.76	3.91
2015-16	4.00	4.03	3.82	3.94
2016-17	4.08	3.93	4.05	3.93
2017-18	4.15	4.35	4.11	3.95
2018-19	4.53	4.26	4.05	4.03

Captains' assessments across the panels—2019-20

Marks are out of 5

PANEL	DECISION MAKING	DECISIVENESS	MANAGEMENT / COMMUNICATION	CONCENTRATION	ATTITUDE	MATCH AVERAGE
1	4.38	4.46	4.57	4.57	4.67	4.53
2	4.37	4.52	4.56	4.55	4.68	4.54
3	3.68	3.89	3.91	3.91	4.08	3.89
4	3.85	4.00	4.03	4.06	4.31	4.03

These marks highlight our umpires serving cricket to a very good standard. They are commended for their performance and possessing a coachable attitude, along with their loyalty to Premier Cricket competitions.

## CNSW YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

One of the highlights of the season was the introduction of the CNSW Youth Championships. Two staff were employed to manage the day to day operations. Jess McMahon was the Youth Championships Officer and Stephen Blomfield was hired to facilitate the umpire appointments. Both did an outstanding job, ensuring the Youth Championships were a great success. Jess and Stephen were a credit to CNSW. They worked as part of the Competitions Team managed by SSCUA member, Bruce Whitehouse, which sits in the Cricket Performance Department.

To all members of SSCUA who officiated in Youth Championships in season 2019-20 we offer a sincere vote of thanks. Your commitment to the competitions, along with Stephen's dedication to the appointment process, saw 100% of matches have two umpires. Excellent coverage in the inaugural season of this exciting concept, and very much appreciated by players, coaches, administrators and parents. Having two qualified umpires officiating youth representative cricket adds so much to the experience for all involved. Your involvement was appreciated and assisted CNSW achieve its strategic objective, we do hope you enjoyed the experience.

Stephen Blomfield made 1,380 umpire appointments to the Youth Championships, a most impressive piece of work.

## PREMIER CRICKET UMPIRE OBSERVER TEAM

Our Premier Cricket umpire observers have done a wonderful job. Congratulations and thank you to Laurie Borg, Graham Chudleigh, Errol Cranney, Bob Davis, Rupert Mathews and Graham Reed. Rupert Mathews was an excellent addition to the panel.

Bob Davis does an outstanding job coordinating the Observer Team, keeping the team updated on progress regarding targets and strategy.



# NSW State Umpires' Report continued

The quality of the information provided by all observers is high. This has assisted in improving the umpiring standard to a point where umpires are delivering what the game expects. The content of the reports from all observers is excellent, highlighting umpires' strengths and areas for improvement. Our observers do an excellent job providing thought-provoking, individual and detailed feedback aimed at assisting umpires to achieve their goals and to aid the improvement of umpiring standards. Assessment drives behaviour and helps raise the bar.

## NSW STATE UMPIRE PANEL

There were seven umpires on the State Panel in 2019-20:

Berend du Plessis, Andrew Hamilton, Roberto Howard, Keiran Knight, Marc Nickl, Sharad Patel, Bede Sajowitz

All received opportunities to umpire in CA programs.

## CONTRACTED UMPIRE PANELS

CNSW has nine contracted umpires:

### Elite Panel of ICC Umpires

Rodney Tucker

### International Panel of ICC Umpires

Gerard Abood, Paul Wilson



Gerard Abood

### International Panel of ICC Development Umpires

Claire Polosak

### CA National Panel

Gerard Abood, Greg Davidson, Tony Wilds, Paul Wilson

### CA Supplementary Panel

Simon Lightbody, Troy Penman, Claire Polosak, Ben Treloar

New South Wales umpires account for 44% of the CA contracted umpire lists.

## ICC WOMEN'S T20 WORLD CUP

Claire Polosak was the only Australian umpire appointed to the ICC Women's T20 World Cup.

Claire had an excellent World Cup, performing strongly throughout which saw her appointed to umpire the England v India semi-final at the SCG, which unfortunately was abandoned due to wet weather without a ball being bowled.

Claire's on field appointments in the preliminary rounds were:

Thailand v West Indies—WACA Ground

Pakistan v West Indies—Manuka Oval

England v West Indies—Spotless Stadium

Pakistan v Thailand—Spotless Stadium

## CA NATIONAL FINALS 2019-20

We are very proud of all NSWCUA members appointed to umpire national finals in 2019-20, 18 appointments in all:

Gerard Abood

One Day Domestic Cup—Queensland v Western Australia, Allan Border Field (Brisbane)

BBL—Sydney Sixers v Melbourne Stars SCG

Vince Calabro

U15 Male—Victoria Country v Queensland, Eastern Oval (Ballarat)

Graeme Glazebrook

Australian Country Cricket Championships (Men's)—Victoria v Western Australia, Heritage Oval (Toowoomba)



Andrew Hamilton  
U18 Female (T20)—ACT/ NSW Country v Queensland, Blundstone Arena (Hobart)

U18 Female (One Day)—ACT/NSW Country v Queensland, UTAS Stadium (Launceston)

Roberto Howard

U17 Male—New South Wales Metro v Western Australia, Ray Mitchell Oval (Mackay)

Kumar Jeyakkumar

Australian Country Cricket Championships (Women's)—East Asia Pacific v South Australia, Harristown Park (Toowoomba)

Marc Nickl

National Premier T20—Adelaide University v Sydney, Karen Rolton Oval (Adelaide)

Kedar Oza

National Indigenous Cricket Championships (Men's)—New South Wales v Queensland, Traeger Park (Alice Springs)

Troy Penman

WNCL—New South Wales v Western Australia, North Sydney Oval

Claire Polosak

WBBL—Brisbane Heat v Adelaide Strikers, Allan Border Field (Brisbane)



Bede Sajowitz

National Premier T20—Adelaide University v Sydney, Karen Rolton Oval (Adelaide)

Neil Smith

Australian Country Cricket Championships (Women's)—East Asia Pacific v South Australia, Harristown Park (Toowoomba)

Ben Treloar

WBBL—Brisbane Heat v Adelaide Strikers, Allan Border Field (Brisbane)

WNCL—New South Wales v Western Australia, North Sydney Oval

Tony Wilds

Women's T20 International Series—Australia v India, Citipower Centre (Melbourne)

Paul Wilson

BBL—Sydney Sixers v Melbourne Stars, SCG

## OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Paul Wilson making his Test debut and receiving the CA Umpire Award for the third consecutive year.

Greg Davidson standing in two first-class matches in India as part of the annual umpire exchange between BCCI and Cricket Australia.

Adrian Tham making his first-class scoring debut.



Greg Davidson



Ben Treloar making his List A umpiring debut.

100% of Premier Cricket and Shires matches having two umpires appointed.

Continued umpire exchanges with Cricket Tasmania and the WACA, and the introduction of an umpire exchange with the SACA. These are fantastic opportunities and experiences for our umpires.

Umpiring milestones: Tommy Ang (200 matches), Tony Bergman (150), Stephen Blomfield (350), Richard Christen (200), Rick Crocono (100), John Darcy (250), Cameron Duff (100), Darren Foster (150), Ivan Holland (250), Mark Hughes (200), Dean Martin (100), Derek Ponsford (150), Steve Starks (200), Andrew Steindler (150), Brett Tribolet (100), Michael Wheeler (150), Bruce Whitehouse (150), Stuart Wood (150).

The launch of an online learning package on the Laws of Cricket, a new way of training prospective cricket umpires. Ben Treloar did an outstanding job with resource development and delivery of the course.

Presentations by State Panel umpires at each monthly OGM.

## NSWCUSA MANAGEMENT TEAM

We can very proud of the work carried out by the NSWCUSA Management Team in serving match officials across New South Wales in 2019-20. Troy Penman is commended for his excellent management of an exceptional team in his first year as Executive Officer.

## CHALLENGES

The 2019-20 cricket season saw issues with heavy rainfall, drought, extreme heat, air quality and then COVID-19. It made for a disjointed season and was disappointing to lose the Premier Cricket finals series due to the pandemic without a ball being bowled. A sensible decision made by CNSW to direct that the competitions be abandoned, supported by the Sydney Cricket Association Committee of Management.

Cricket will be played in season 2020-21 and we are busy scenario planning, preparing and budgeting for this.

In the meantime, stay safe and connected with your family, friends and fellow members.

## STRENGTH

*There is the strength of the wind that sways the mighty oak, and there is the strength of the oak that withstands the power of the wind.*

*There is the strength of the locomotive that pulls the heavy train across the bridge, and there is the strength of the bridge that holds up the weight of the train.*

*One is active strength, the other is passive strength.*

*One is the power to keep going, the other is the power to keep still.*

*One is the strength by which we overcome, the other is the strength by which we endure.*

*Dr Harold Phillips*



# New South Wales Cricket Umpires & Scorers Association

*The Sydney Shires Cricket Umpires' Association (SSCUA) has enjoyed a wonderful season. I commend the contribution of all members to the Shires Competition and thank you for your efforts in the middle. Your service to Shires cricket is appreciated by the players, clubs and Sydney Cricket Association (SCA).*

*This season saw the need for a standby list to be established for Sydney Shires umpires, remarkable to think of how far the Association has come since it commenced and the numbers that are now able to officiate each weekend. The dedication of the membership is there to see and may it long continue to grow and prosper.*

*Thank you for the opportunity to provide this report from NSWCUA in the annual report of Sydney Shires Cricket Umpires' Association.*

*Troy Penman  
Executive Officer, NSWCUA*



The work of the SSCUA Executive Committee, under the leadership of President David Goodman, is applauded. Acting with the best interests of members at heart they do a most professional job. Committed and hardworking they give their time as volunteers to ensure the administration and management of SSCUA is first-rate. The Committee has the full support of the NSWCUA Board and Management. Congratulations on a job well done in 2019-20.

Season 2019-20 will long be remembered for the unique events that players and match officials were required to manage and work through. We saw the implementation of a number of policies across many competitions to deal with the ever-changing world.

A helmet policy was introduced for Sydney Cricket Association matches and Country Cricket NSW Representative fixtures. The Air Quality Policy was introduced to manage the smoke haze and the SCA Extreme Heat Policy was well and truly tested on 1 February.

We thank the SCA Committee of Management (CoM) for their assistance across the season. Following the events of 1 February, the Committee sought feedback from the Association on how they can improve their policy to ensure the wellbeing of all involved. We thank them for their consideration and look forward to the adjustments that we know will be made ahead of season 2020-21.

Thank you to Stephen Blomfield for his commitment in ensuring that all NSW Premier Cricket and Sydney Shires Cricket matches were covered by two umpires throughout the season. Stephen does an excellent job as SSCUA Secretary / Appointments Officer. It was pleasing to see Stephen appointed to the role of Youth Pathways Umpires Appointments Officer at Cricket NSW for season 2019-20. His work looking after pathway matches and efficiency in appointing umpires to 528 matches was appreciated by all.

Whilst the season was cut short due to COVID-19 congratulations are offered to all SSCUA members who were selected to officiate in finals series matches that were played over the weekend of 14-15 March. Simon Dodwell and Anthony Raymond are congratulated on being appointed to umpire the Frank Gray Shield Final.

It has been a season of change for NSWCUA. A restructure at Cricket NSW saw the secondment of Darren Goodger to the role of Senior Manager, Cricket NSW. The secondment took Darren away from the day to day running of NSWCUA whilst remaining the State Umpiring Manager for NSW.

The match officials' team at Cricket NSW;

Administrator: Bede Sajowitz

Education Officer: Ben Treloar

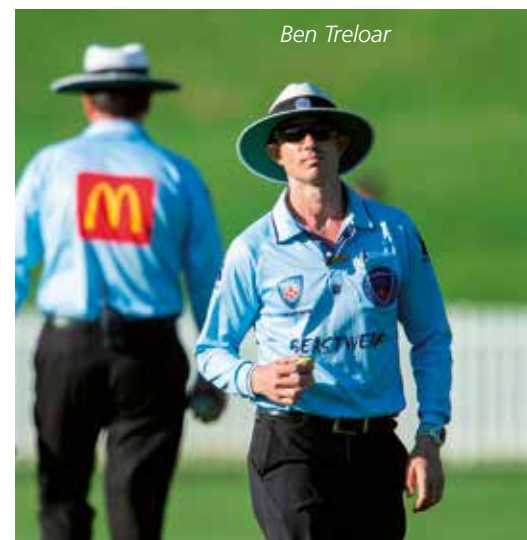
Umpire Educator/Female Umpire Engagement: Claire Polosak

State Umpiring Manager: Darren Goodger

Executive Officer: Troy Penman

Bede Sajowitz was promoted to the role of Administrator on October 19, this was recognition for his hard work, conscientiousness and dedication to the Association. The new role has seen him move into managing some of the Association's big-ticket items. Bede has had an outstanding year, working tirelessly to promote the Association through social media channels and provide exceptional service to the membership.

Ben Treloar commenced with the Association on November 22. Ben's focus is purely on member education. An initiative that commenced in October as a result of the excellent work that the Exam Committee were doing for each Ordinary General Meeting and a desire to provide further education to all members was monthly Laws of Cricket questions. These questions are to help members and affiliates with their development. Each month Laws of Cricket questions are provided with the answers provided the following week.



*Ben Treloar*



Ben has also developed our Level 2 Laws of Cricket courses into an online product that can be undertaken by prospective members via zoom. This has allowed NSWCUA to be a leader in online training and take advantage of people being unable to partake in winter sports during isolation.

Claire Polosak in her role as Umpire Educator / Female Engagement has done an outstanding job in facilitating 24 Level 1 courses across the state. These courses provide the basic umpiring information to prospective members and the flow-on effect to the NSWCUA Level 2 course is substantial. People attend the Level 2 course with a considerable level of knowledge which holds them in good stead for the more advanced course. The overall result is more members for NSWCUA.

Through Claire's excellent work we currently have nine female umpires officiating in NSW Men's Premier Cricket on a regular basis accounting for 152 appointments. Across the state in season 2019-20 there were 286 female umpire appointments an increase of 38% on season 2018-19.

Darren Goodger is thanked for his guidance and assistance throughout season 2019-20. Whilst stepping away from the day to day running of NSWCUA the success of the Association is always at the forefront of his thinking. His work as State Umpiring Manager continues to lead the way in Australia and it's no mistake as to why NSW is well represented at Cricket Australia National Carnivals and in the umpiring pathway.

NSWCUA membership stands at 1,320 with 45 affiliated associations. Because of training courses facilitated across the State we were able to accredit more than 138 new umpires, an outstanding result. The training team can be well pleased with this result. Laurie Borg and Darren Goodger are thanked for their continued effort in leading the way with training of prospective members. We constantly need new umpires coming into the ranks to ensure a strong officiating future for SCA competitions.

We were pleased to welcome Sachin Solanki to umpire in NSW Premier Cricket in 2019-20. He officiated the round 12 first grade fixture between Parramatta and Randwick Petersham at Old Kings Oval.

The fixture will be remembered for the extreme weather conditions that were experienced. Day 1 saw play commence at 9am and finish after 6pm, play was suspended during the day under the Extreme Heat Policy. Day 2 on the other hand saw no play due to constant rain and a wet wicket. Captains praised Sachin for accurate judgement and effective match management and communication throughout the testing conditions.

All SSCUA members are welcome to umpire a match in NSW Premier Cricket in season 2020-21. Please don't hesitate to ask if you would like to take up the opportunity. It will broaden your experience and present you with a new, and hopefully enjoyable challenge.

We were very pleased to offer members from NSWCUA country affiliates the opportunity to umpire in NSW Premier Cricket. We thank the following umpires for accepting appointments in 2019-20:

Alan Bonney (Central North), Ken Brooks (Riverina), Dennis Chaplin (Riverina), Gary Crombie (Central North / Newcastle), John De Lyall (Western), Steve Eccles (Central North), Jeff Egan (Riverina), Barry Ferguson (Greater Illawarra), Ian Furner (Greater Illawarra), Tony Hackett (Riverina), Murray Le Lievre (Riverina), Brenton Harrison (Riverina), Ross McKim (Newcastle), Glenn Pepper (Western), Phil Rainger (North Coast), Doug Sandry (Western), Peter Singh (Western), Neil Smith (Riverina), Andrew Still (Greater Illawarra), Matt Whitty (Riverina).

In all, we had 195 umpires stand in NSW Premier Cricket this season.

The umpires appointed to the various NSW Premier Cricket finals were:

#### **First Grade Limited Overs**

Sydney University v Randwick Petersham at University 1—Roberto Howard and Tony Wilds. Premiers Sydney University

#### **Kingsgrove Sports T20 Cup**

Sydney v Hawkesbury at Drummoyne Oval—Troy Penman and Ben Treloar. Premiers Sydney

#### **Poidevin-Gray Shield**

UTS North Sydney v Fairfield-Liverpool at North Sydney Oval—Sharad Patel and Bede Sajowitz. Premiers Fairfield-Liverpool

#### **AW Green Shield**

Eastern Suburbs v St George at Waverley Oval – Kedar Oza and Rod Porter. Premiers Eastern Suburbs

## **UMPIRE MILESTONES**

Congratulations to the following umpires who reached milestones during the 2019-20 season –

#### **350 matches**

Stephen Blomfield

#### **250 matches**

John Darcy, Ivan Holland

#### **200 matches**

Tommy Ang, Richard Christen, Mark Hughes, Steve Starks

#### **150 matches**

Tony Bergman, Darren Foster, Derek Ponsford, Andrew Steindler, Michael Wheeler, Bruce Whitehouse, Stuart Wood

#### **100 matches**

Rick Crocono, Dean Martin, Brett Tribolet

All are commended for their loyal service to umpiring in SCA competitions over many years. Thank you to Stephen Blomfield for an outstanding job in recording and maintaining the match statistics for all SCA umpires.

The Association offers congratulations to umpires Mitchell Claydon, Jeff Egan, Ian Furner, Brenton Harrison, Rod Porter, Sachin Solanki, Diana Venter and Andrew Yarad, each of whom made their first-grade debut.

## **SCORER MILESTONES**

The following scorers were appointed to the Cricket NSW Representative Scorer Panel for season 2019–20:

Christine Bennison, Toni Lorraine, Darren Mattison, Geoff Rogers, Robyn Sanday, Harpreet Singh, Adrian Tham, Kay Wilcoxon, Sue Woodhouse, Ian Wright.

### **Season highlights**

Test Match Australia v New Zealand SCG: Toni Lorraine and Darren Mattison

Women's World Cup Semifinals SCG: Christine Bennison and Darren Mattison

Big Bash League Final Sydney Sixers v Melbourne Star SCG Christine Bennison and Ian Wright

Women's National Cricket League Final North Sydney Oval Toni Lorraine and Kay Wilcoxon

Adrian Tham is congratulated on deservedly making his first-class debut NSW v Western Australia



**ANNUAL  
DINNER AND  
AWARDS PRESENTATION**

With COVID-19 restrictions preventing the Association from hosting its Annual Dinner and Awards Presentation scheduled for April 18, Award winners and specific milestones were recognised via email commencing on Tuesday April 21 and concluding on Friday April 24.

**Alan Marshall Medal**

Rookie Umpire of the Year  
Mohit Uppal

**Malcolm Gorham Scorers' Award**

Sarah Berman  
UTS North Sydney Cricket Club

**NSW Premier Cricket**

**Panel 4 Umpire of the Year**

Elizabeth O'Dwyer

**NSW Premier Cricket**

**Panel 3 Umpire of the Year**

Geoff Garland and  
Julian Humphrey (joint)

**NSW Premier Cricket**

**Panel 2 Umpire of the Year**

Mitchell Claydon

**NSW Premier Cricket**

**Panel 1 Umpire of the Year**

Darren Goodger

**Kevin Pye Medal**

Country Umpire of the Year  
Graeme Glazebrook (Western)

**Ted Wykes Medal**

Affiliated Association Award  
David Cullen  
Illawarra Cricket Umpires Association

**George Borwick Memorial Award**

Ben Treloar

Due to COVID-19 and government restrictions the date of the NSWCUA AGM is yet to be determined. Members will be advised when a date has been finalised.

Appreciation is extended to the Directors of the NSWCUA Board for their guidance, advice and support. They act with the best interests of NSWCUA at the forefront of their thinking. The Directors are supportive of the Management Team and their endeavours to develop and improve the Association. With this being my first season in the role, I have appreciated the leadership and counsel of Mark Hughes as Board Chair. Through these tough economic times NSWCUA remains in a sound financial position, we thank Laurie Borg for his prudent management of the Association's finances.

Congratulations to the SSCUA on a successful 2019-20 season. It is an excellent Association and members are serviced and supported to a high standard by a hard-working team of volunteers, with Stephen Blomfield the driving force behind the standards that are set and maintained.

As we look ahead to the upcoming season, we remain unsure of how much cricket will be played and under what circumstances, but there will be cricket and we will be able to continue to do what we love. I wish all members every success, whatever that entails for you, and much enjoyment in 2020-21 and beyond. Let the countdown begin.

*"The secret of success in life is for a person to be ready for their opportunity when it comes".  
Benjamin Disraeli.*





The 2018–19 Umpire of the Year, Simon Dodwell with Mark Hughes, Chairman, NSWCUA



The 2018–19 Masters/Classics Umpire of the Year, Saurabh Ganguly with Mark Hughes

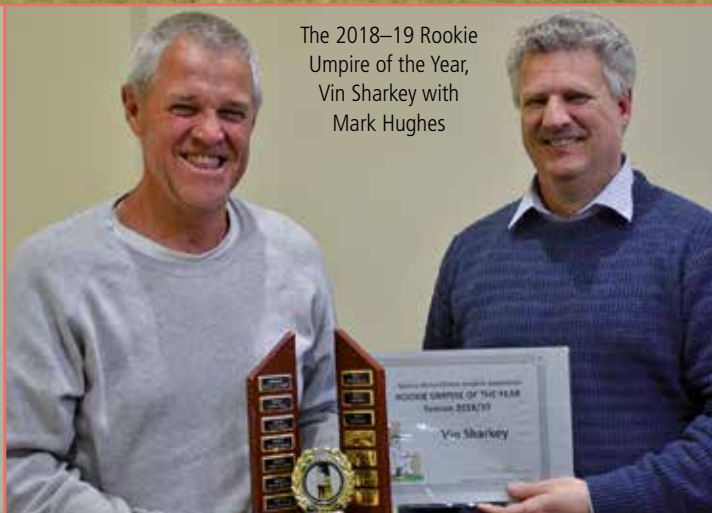


December 14, round 7 and Patrick Smellie notches up 200 games. Strathfield v Lindfield. First grade

# MILESTONES



Sean Mantle, Competition Manager, Sydney Shires Cricket attended the 2019 Annual General Meeting at Redfern



The 2018–19 Rookie Umpire of the Year, Vin Sharkey with Mark Hughes

*The 2019–20 cricket season was extremely challenging for players, administrators, volunteers and umpires. Extreme heat, air quality issues, torrential rain, the introduction of the helmet policy and the coronavirus all had an impact on the season.*

*I want to commend the Sydney Shires Cricket Umpires Association for their efforts through these challenging times. You deserve recognition in ensuring each and every round was officiated at a professional level and provided an environment for players to perform at their best. The clubs are fortunate to have you participating every round, across every grade.*

*John Biviano (right)  
Chairman, Sydney Shires Sub Committee*



After the weekend of the Qualifying Finals were played Cricket NSW, with support from the Sydney Cricket Association and the Shires Competition Sub-committee, decided to cancel the remainder of the Semi-final and Grand Final series, resulting in the Premiership titles being awarded to the Minor Premiers in First to Fifth Grades as well as The Chappelow Cup. This decision was made easier by the fact that the Minor Premiers across all six of the grades won their respective Qualifying Final fixtures.

I empathise with clubs, players and umpires who missed the opportunity to compete for titles and participate in the remaining scheduled finals matches. A disappointing way for the season to finish but ultimately the correct decision was made for health and safety reasons.

I would like to acknowledge and congratulate SSCUA members who passed significant career milestones in 2019–20 which are detailed elsewhere in this report.

On behalf of the Shires sub-committee and players I would like to thank all SSCUA members on their performance this season, your involvement adds to the competition and overall enjoyment both on and off the field. Despite the odd on-field incident and some poor player behaviour from time to time, all the players and clubs appreciate the time, effort and passion of your members and respect their knowledge of the laws of cricket and the competition playing conditions.

I wish to extend my thanks to David Goodman (President), Stephen Blomfield (Secretary) and the SSCUA executive for the successful administration of your Association.

Finally, I want to wish you all a safe and healthy off-season and all the best to all match officials and their families. I look forward to catching up with you next season to celebrate your Association's 20th anniversary in season 2020–21.

## SHIRES COMPETITION SUB-COMMITTEE

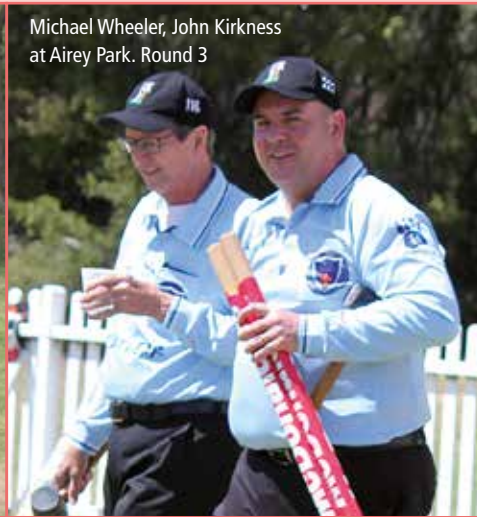
The 2019–20 Sydney Shires Competition Sub-Committee consists of - John Biviano, Chairman (Roseville CC), Anthony Boorer, Deputy Chairman (Epping CC), Greg Cook (Lindfield CC), Daryl Chappelow (Strathfield CC), Anthony Clarke (Burwood Briars CC), and Mike Wood (Auburn CC)



Stephen Blomfield at Weldon Oval. Round 8



Michael Wheeler, John Kirkness at Airey Park. Round 3

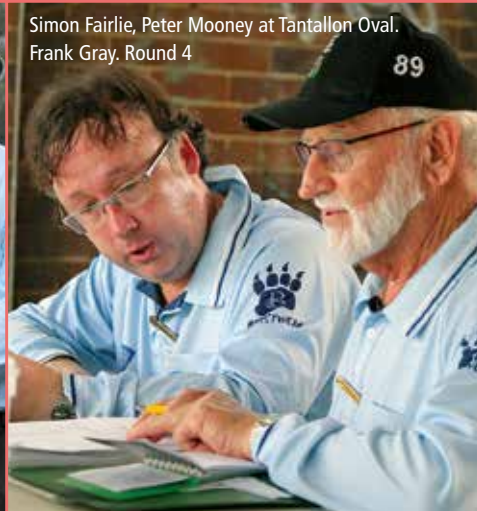


Michael Dunn at Kanebridge Oval. Round 11



Cameron Duff, Simon Dodwell at Ron Routley Oval. Round 9

Simon Fairlie, Peter Mooney at Tantallon Oval. Frank Gray. Round 4



David Goodman, Ian Tabrett at Weldon Oval. Frank Gray. Round 5

Brett Tribolet, Anthony Raymond at George Parry Oval. Round 13



Sachin Solanki at Ron Routley Oval. First grade QF





# President's Report

*For those active members in our 120 member Association, this was undoubtedly an unprecedented and, at times, frustrating season. A season that had every impediment thrown at it. With NSW in drought, we had matches affected by extreme heat, then by bushfires, with matches affected by visibility and air quality. If that wasn't enough, we had heavy rains affecting some of our later rounds including the complete washout of both Frank Gray Shield Semi-finals and then, most notably, during the Shires Qualifying Finals on March 14–15, our matches were rain affected. Then the spread of Covid-19 was the final nail in our season's coffin, succumbing less than two weeks before the Grand Finals.*

*David Goodman  
SSCUA President*



This year, while there were no new Laws coming from Lord's, it was all about new and revised Playing Conditions: Helmet Policy; Concussion Substitute Policy; Extreme Heat Policy; Replacement Players; Visibility and Air Quality. More than ever, our game was required to adapt quickly with the times. As we approached the end of the season, there were no more handshakes or team huddles and most importantly, umpires had to bring their own water bottle for use at drinks intervals and their own food. Cricket, of course, is the only sport where meals are a key part of the Laws, with Law 11 setting out the lunch, tea and drinks intervals.

Once again, we managed 100% umpire coverage in all Shires fixtures. My sincere thanks Troy Penman and Bede Sajowitz at NSWCUSA for their support in allowing the Shires Competition access to surplus umpires from Premier Cricket to cover the gaps, we sometimes had, in lower grade matches. And once again, we managed to supply one umpire to every game in the Sunday Masters, Classics and Vintage competitions.

## FINALS

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, all Shires Competition and the Chappelow Cup matches were cancelled two weeks prior to the end of the season. While it was disappointing to end the season on this note, our Association supports Cricket NSW and the Sydney Cricket Association in placing the welfare of all our Umpires, as well as the players and volunteers, as a main priority. As a result, it was decided to award Premiership titles to the Minor Premiers in each grade. It should be noted that in all grades the Minor Premiers advanced to the Semi-final stage of the competition as the number one ranked side after the Qualifying Finals.

As a result of this decision, the following Premiership winners were determined:

### **Shires First Grade**

The RB Clark Cup – Auburn CC

### **Shires Second Grade**

The SJ Mayne Trophy – Auburn CC

### **Shires Third Grade**

The JB Hollander Cup – Strathfield CC

### **Shires Fourth Grade**

The Harry Culbert Trophy – Strathfield CC

### **Shires Fifth Grade**

The Tim Creer Cup – Balmain  
South Sydney CC

### **The Chappelow Cup – Macquarie**

University CC

## **The Frank Gray Shield Final**

– went ahead as planned on 16th February 2020 at Bexley Oval with umpires Simon Dodwell and Anthony Raymond officiating. In an exciting match, Lindfield defeated the defending champions, Georges River, by just five runs.

Our congratulations also go to Burwood Briars Cricket Club, who claimed the Dave Tribolet Club Championship trophy for 2019–20. This was their 8th consecutive Club Championship and 23rd overall – clearly the most successful club in Shires Club Championship history.

## SPIRIT OF CRICKET

The Shires Spirit of Cricket Award is especially important to our umpires, being awarded as a result of the marks which we give teams after each match, across all the grades in our competition. There is no doubt that as umpires, there is greater pleasure in our match experience when a team's performance is conducted within the Spirit of Cricket. We are therefore delighted to congratulate Warringah Cricket Club as the recipient of this award for 2019–20.

## MASTERS', CLASSICS' & VINTAGE COMPETITIONS

I mentioned earlier that our Association provides umpires to the Masters, Classics and Vintage competitions. Congratulations to those three competitions' winners:

Masters – Auburn Cricket Club

Classics – Sri Lanka Lions Cricket Club

Vintage – Georges River Cricket Club

## NSW YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

The inaugural Cricket NSW Youth Championships were held October through December, marking an important and historic structural reform to junior pathways throughout the State. The Youth Championships unify the 29 Junior, 25 Metropolitan and four Regional Associations, within the NSW Districts Cricket Association. The Competition's team was lead by SSCUA Member Bruce Whitehouse, Jessica McMahon (program manager) and included our Association's Secretary and Life Member, Stephen Blomfield, who managed the umpires for these important fixtures. They did a fantastic job bringing the Youth Championships to reality and providing a wonderful opportunity for a large number of our

Association's umpires to experience Representative Cricket. A total of 49 SSCUA members participated in the tournament across the ten playing Sundays and this was invaluable in achieving the goal of 100% umpire coverage with 122 umpires needing to be sourced each Sunday during round matches.

## OUR EXECUTIVE

I would like to thank all our Executive Committee, who have met regularly over the course of a difficult season and are now learning to use video-conferencing so that we can continue to "meet" during these times of isolation.

They give freely of their time, supporting Shires Cricket and the interests of our Association's membership. They are Stephen Blomfield, Ken Buckland, Stephen Clements, Rick Crocono, Cameron Duff, Glen Hanshaw, Trevor Schokman and Patrick Smellie.

Our Association Secretary Stephen Blomfield continues to provide SSCUA members with excellent support off the field of play with our Shires handbook to assist with the SCA playing conditions as well as those for Masters, Classics and Vintage competitions, late start tables, and other useful information for first season umpires such as field craft and technique assistance. He ensures that all the match appointments are filled satisfactorily, results and reporting are completed correctly and statistics maintained. His preparation for our Committee and Members' General Meetings is always most thorough.

Our Treasurer, Trevor Schokman, is diligent and has done much to ensure our finances are in order and remain sound, providing us with budgets, actuals and forecasts at regular intervals. Thank you.

At our mid-season members meetings, we invite guest speakers. Darren Goodger, State Umpire Manager at Cricket NSW, spoke to the membership at our December meeting on a range of topics such as player management, conflict resolution and dealing with issues that result in code of conduct reporting. In February, Shannon Lane, who had a long and successful career in both Premier Cricket and Shires Cricket, spoke on his experiences as a player and a captain and about what he thought makes a good umpire and what captains look for when dealing with umpires.

## MILESTONES

We also celebrated a number of member milestone in season 2019–20:

300 Games - Spencer Harrison

250 Games - Peter Mooney

200 Games - Patrick Smellie,  
Michael Wheeler

150 Games - Kim Hunter,  
Derek Ponsford

100 Games - Stuart Wood

50 Games - Stephen Starks,  
Tim Overland

All of these members were awarded an Association Polo Shirt with the number of games milestone sewn under our Association emblem.

## AWARDS

We also congratulate our 2019–20 award winners:

Stephen Blomfield won our Association Umpire of the Year Award. Stephen won this award for the fourth time, just pipping out Anthony Raymond and Simon Dodwell who have kept an iron grip on this award the past few seasons. In a tightly contested race, these three members all finished very close to each other after the tallying of all captain's marks was completed. Stephen last won this award six years ago. A founding member of the SSCUA, Stephen is of course a stalwart of the Association off the field as our untiring secretary. It is therefore especially gratifying to see that his efforts to continually improve his umpiring skills have been rewarded with our premier trophy.

Maqsood Khan was our Rookie Umpire of the Year. Maqsood has proved to be a keen and competent umpire throughout his first season. Having umpired Masqood in past seasons when he was captaining Auburn's Fourth Grade, and noted his enjoyment of the game, it is great to see him succeeding at officiating in the game he so clearly loves. It is very satisfying to see cricketers making the transition to umpiring and finding that they can derive enjoyment while gaining a different perspective on our game. I look forward to seeing a lot more of Masqood as he continues umpiring next season.

Ross Scott won our Most Improved Umpire of the Year. He has had a very successful year showing great improvement in his Captain's match scores. I look forward to this continuing in 2020–21 when I would anticipate seeing Ross umpire in our Finals Series. Ross has been umpiring with the SSCUA

for seven seasons, so it is rewarding to show that even "old hands" with experience can still make significant improvement to their performance. Congratulations to Ross on winning this award. I hope this inspires, not just you, but other senior members to continually strive to improve our performance.

Ian Pryde won the Umpire of the Year – Masters and Classics Cricket. Ian has just completed his third full season with the SSCUA and you may recall he won our Rookie Umpire of the Year Award in his first season, 2017–18. Clearly he is deservedly putting his stamp on our Association Awards. Well done Ian on topping the averages within the Masters and Classics cricket community.

The staff at the Sydney Cricket Association do much to ensure the success of the Sydney Shires competition. In that regard, I would give special mention and thanks to Competition Manager Sean Mantle and Competition Secretary Bruce Whitehouse as well as Roy Formica at Cricket NSW. We are most grateful for their support and the grant that the SCA gives to us each season. I would also like to thank the SCA Code of Conduct Commissioner, John McGruther and his team.

Finally, acknowledgement and thanks are due to Troy Penman and Bede Sajowitz who work tirelessly for NSWCUA from the offices of Cricket NSW and not forgetting the support our Association also receives from Darren Goodger. It is greatly appreciated.

To all who umpired in Shires cricket in 2019–20, once again a big thank you! Next year sees the 20th Anniversary of the Sydney Shires Cricket Umpires Association. I look forward to all our members backing up for next season and enjoying another successful season of umpiring in the Shires competition. Let us hope and pray that it is one that goes smoothly.

Our Association's 19th Annual General Meeting is scheduled to be held at Club Redfern on Wednesday 5 August 2020 at 7pm. I hope to see all our members at this year's meeting.



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Rupert Mathews and Berend du Plessis



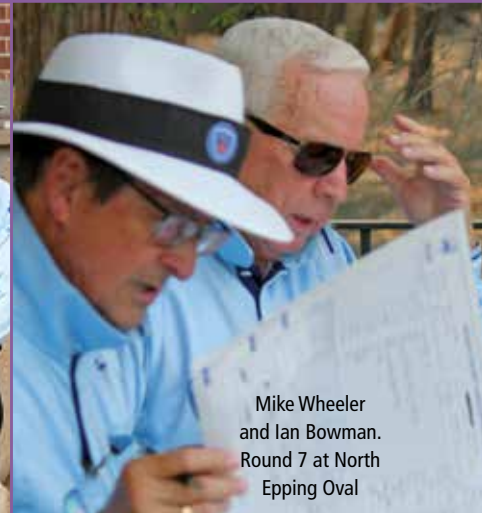
John Kirkness at Airey Park. Round 3

# AROUND THE OVALS

Michael Wheeler and Peter Mooney



Tim Overland with Stuart Wood. Round 12 at Weldon Oval



Mike Wheeler and Ian Bowman. Round 7 at North Epping Oval

Rupert Mathews with Rick Crocono



Simon Dodwell and Garry White Round 1. Frank Gray at North Epping Oval

Ian Tabrett with Tony Bergman at Weldon Oval. Round 4



Andrew Steindler with Kim Hunter Round 5 at Lindfield Oval





# Secretary's Report

*What a season we all had. The adventure was far from normal with a range of challenges that culminated in a thoroughly disappointing and frustrating end to the season that was sadly cut short by two weeks due to the escalating Coronavirus pandemic.*

*It is with much pleasure that I present this my nineteenth Secretary's Report for the Sydney Shires Cricket Umpires Association – Season 2019–20.*

Stephen Blomfield  
SSCUA Secretary



## SO MANY DIFFERENT CHALLENGES

Not only did we all have to deal with the pandemic, but through the season we had a range of new challenges including bushfires that caused matches to be affected with too much smoke in the air, dust storms that had a similar effect, and then there were, of course, the days where we had high to extreme temperatures. This resulted in the Sydney Cricket Association having to go back to the drawing board to redesign the Extreme Heat Policy.

Then there were additional new policies we all had to get our heads around: the concussion policy, the replacement player policy, the compulsory helmet policy. Each certainly kept us on our toes during what turned out to be a rather complex summer of cricket for us to officiate.

Then to end it all, the Coronavirus truncated the season at the time of year all players and officials really look forward to. However, what is most important is that we all recognise the fact that cricket is just a game. For many of us cricket forms an important part of our lives. But all this must be secondary to our ongoing wellbeing to ensure that you, your family and everybody in the community stays healthy and not become a victim of this insidious virus. The following report is a summary of what was a highly unusual season in the summer of 2019–20.

## THE SSCUA 18TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

As is now custom, the first meeting of the 2019–20 season was the holding of the Association's 18th Annual General Meeting on the first Wednesday of August, that date this year being 7 August 2019. A record total of 55 members (out of a total membership of 121 at the time) attended on the evening. Guests on the night were Sean Mantle from Cricket NSW and John Biviano being the Chairman of the Shires Competition Sub-Committee. SSCUA member Mark Hughes was also in attendance and addressed the meeting in his capacity as Chair of the Board, NSWCUA.

Stephen Blomfield (Secretary) and Trevor Schokman (Treasurer) were re-elected unopposed for their nineteenth and sixth terms respectively. David Goodman was re-elected unopposed for his fourth term as Association President with Stephen Clements being re-elected unopposed as the Vice President.

Ken Buckland, Rick Crocono, Cameron Duff, Glen Hanshaw and Patrick Smellie were re-elected onto the management committee which meant no changes from the previous 2018–19 season. The number elected to the Executive Committee was once again a total of nine, the maximum number allowable under the Constitution.

Mark Hughes, Sean Mantle and John Biviano all spoke to the meeting about their various roles and provided updates to the membership on issues that were relevant to the upcoming season.

## MASTERS, CLASSICS & VINTAGE CRICKET

Season 2019–20 was the eighth consecutive summer where our Association supplied umpires to the Masters, Classics and Vintage competitions. The season saw us comfortably appoint an umpire to all matches across each of these Sunday competitions. This is a significant achievement, particularly on certain Sundays, where our members also needed to be appointed to Sunday matches in Frank Gray Shield, NSW Youth Championships as well as Shires 5th Grade and Chappelow Cup.

During the course of the season a total 179 appointments were allocated which was covered by 43 members. This total was down on last season due to a number of washed-out rounds and the season ending two weeks early due to the Coronavirus pandemic. It is quite pleasing to see a large number of our active members engaging in these competitions. I hope to see more members get involved next season especially since umpiring in Masters, Classics and Vintage matches next summer will attract points towards the new George Richards Member of the Year award.

Congratulations to Ian Pryde on winning the Umpire of the Year in these competitions. Ian received lots of positive feedback from team captains about his umpiring across the six Masters, Classics and Vintage matches he umpired during the season. A more comprehensive description of this award can be found on page four of this annual report.





Umpire match fees for Masters, Classics and Vintage fixtures remained at \$160 for the second season in a row which saw each team having to pay half of the required fee to the umpire on match day. Whilst a review of the match fee is scheduled for August 2020 I think it's likely given the current economic climate that we may need to defer any increase discussions by an additional 12 months.

Whilst an increase in 2020–21 seems unlikely I would like to think that all members continue to strongly support the Masters, Classics and Vintage competitions. Receiving \$160 for a day of cricket with mature players who rarely misbehave is still a good day out in anybody's language. It would be great to see more of our members umpire in these competitions in 2020–21 – the environment these matches is played in is excellent, and the players genuinely appreciate the umpires.

The Masters, Classics and Vintage committee once again approved a grant to our Association in the amount of \$2,850 which represents a \$75 levy on each of the 38 teams that played across these competitions during the season. This grant compensates our Association with the large amount of administration time that is spent on organising umpires for these competitions. Thanks are extended to the Masters, Classics and Vintage Management Committee led by Stirling Hamman for making funds available to us.

The Masters Competition for players over the age of 40 had 16 teams again this season. With one round to go there were three teams that could still win this first past the post competition, those clubs being Auburn, who were running first on 369 points, Mosman-Collaroy, 2nd on 356 points, as well as Warringah who were 3rd on the ladder on 355 points. Unfortunately the final round was abandoned due to Coronavirus seeing the ladder positions unchanged. Auburn Cricket Club was then declared the Premiers for a third season in row.

The Classics Competition for players over the age of 50 was played by 14 teams which was a reduction of two compared to the previous season. This reduction was due to Ashfield Old Boys moving to the over 60's competition and the Kenthurst club who were unable to field a team in 2019–20.

The final round of the competition was played on 15 March just before all competitions had to cancel further matches due to Coronavirus. The day saw only three of the seven matches played with the remaining four washed out. After the completion of the 11 rounds Sri Lanka Lions were declared Premiers finishing on 377 points to win the Classics Competition for a third consecutive season. The win was quite narrow with second placed Georges River finishing just a few points adrift on 365 points. The Mosman Club were also nearby finishing on a total of 360 points.

The Vintage Competition for players over the age of 60 was played by 8 teams in a structured format for the first time. Previously matches for the over 60s were planned randomly and there was no formal competition ladder. Matches were played on the same Sundays as Masters Cricket, although not every Masters Sunday as less rounds were required to allow each team to play each other once.

At the end of the Preliminary rounds Georges River Cricket Club were declared Premiers finishing on 210 points. They were followed by Southern Highlands (205 points) and Lindfield (171 points). Unfortunately, the competition suffered with a lot of washed out fixtures with a total of 11 matches seeing no play occur.

We look forward to our Association's continued involvement in these mature age competitions. It is important that those persons that continue to play into their senior years should be afforded the same rights that other competitions sometimes take for granted. That of course is the supply of neutral match officials to oversee all games of cricket. If you weren't involved as an umpire in 2019–20 then please give it a go next season.

## SHIRES FIFTH GRADE & THE CHAPPELOW CUP

Season 2019–20 saw a major restructure occur regarding the Tim Creer Cup. Instead of it being a stand-alone competition, the Shires Clubs decided to formally incorporate it into the Shires competition and give it the title of Shires 5th Grade with Tim Creer's name to remain on the competition trophy. This opened the door for a rebranding of what was previously known as the second division of the Tim Creer Cup.

After much discussion the Sydney Cricket Association approved the naming of this competition to be The Chappelow Cup in recognition of Daryl Chappelow from the Strathfield Cricket Club who has been the driving force behind that club since its inception in 1982.

Both Fifth Grade and The Chappelow Cup remained in their regular format of 40 over-a-side matches with fixtures scheduled on Saturdays where possible. However due to lack of available Saturday venues only 48 of 264 fixtures across both competitions saw matches scheduled on Saturdays, with the remaining 216 played on Sundays. Shires Fifth Grade was a 13 team competition with Warringah being the only club not participating. Chappelow Cup was a 12 team competition with clubs allowed to field multiple teams where player numbers permitted. This meant a total of 12 matches were scheduled each weekend with one umpire appointed to each fixture.

These extra opportunities gave more of our members a chance to pick up an additional \$150 each weekend with each club in each match having to pay 50% of the umpire fee. I know many of our members who enjoy umpiring on both days each weekend were thankful for the fact that we had more opportunities to allocate around the membership.

During the season a total of 52 members participated in at least one Shires 5th Grade or Chappelow Cup fixture, most of these being Sunday appointments. This was an increase from 43 the previous season. I am really pleased with this number as it shows the membership really got behind the competition during the season and that everybody was willing to share the workload. Thank you everybody.

Captain's assessment feedback was also excellent with the average score across a total of 474 assessments coming in at a very respectable 80.2%. Moving forward into season 2020–21 I am hopeful that these sort of numbers can be maintained as well as my hope that more members get involved with these competitions.

At the completion of the 22 one day rounds of Shires 5th Grade and The Chappelow Cup the competition went into Finals Series where the Sydney Cricket Association sought the services of two umpires per game instead of one, and also covered the cost of the umpire appointments rather than the clubs having to pay.

My thanks to Sean Mantle, Competition Manager, as well as Bruce Whitehouse, Secretary of the Sydney Cricket Association, for their support of these competitions as well as the funding in their budget to pay for the umpires in the Finals Series. Our members greatly appreciated the work and support received from both Sean and Bruce.

I would hope that all active members are looking forward in season 2020–21 to once again getting behind the 5th Grade and Chappelow Cup competitions. Members wishing to be competitive for the George Richard Member of the Year award should be looking to umpire in these competitions to gain valuable additional bonus points towards this award.

## MEMBERSHIP

As at 29 March 2020, which represented the last scheduled playing date of the 2019–20 cricket season, we had taken on board a total of 11 new members during the season. The total membership count at this time was 120 which is the same as twelve months earlier. The loss of 11 members offset by the addition of 11 new members whilst disappointing on the surface wasn't a poor result by any means. Of the 11 members that left the Association, only one (Mano Singham) had made a contribution in excess of 15 career matches to the SSCUA.

The Association has been tracking upwards with its membership for quite a few years (see below graph). The fact we had a blip this year but still managed not to go backwards should be viewed as a positive. As I write this report in mid June 2020, I can confirm we have already had two new members join us for 2020–21. By the time we get to next season's start, hopefully there will be quite a few additional new members to report on to get our membership growth heading upwards again.

The below graph shows total number of members each season since the inception of this Association back in 2001–02.

Of our current 120 members as at 29 March 2020, a total of 41 members managed to umpire in 10 matches or more in the main Saturday competition during the 13 preliminary rounds. This compared to a figure of 39 last season. This increase continues an upward trend showing our members are committing to more Saturday rounds of cricket each season so we do not have to rely as heavily on filling gaps in our appointments from the overflow list of umpires in Premier Cricket.

My thanks are extended to those members who made a commitment to umpire the majority of rounds in 2019–20. Your enthusiasm to make a positive contribution does not go unnoticed.

The breakdown of our membership and what categories they fall into is summarised as follows. Of our current 120 members, 29 were inactive from umpiring in SCA controlled matches this season, a decrease of one compared to season 2018–19. Of the remaining 91 members who did partake in SCA controlled matches, 60 devoted full time umpiring to Shires Cricket on Saturdays, an increase of one compared to 59 the season before.

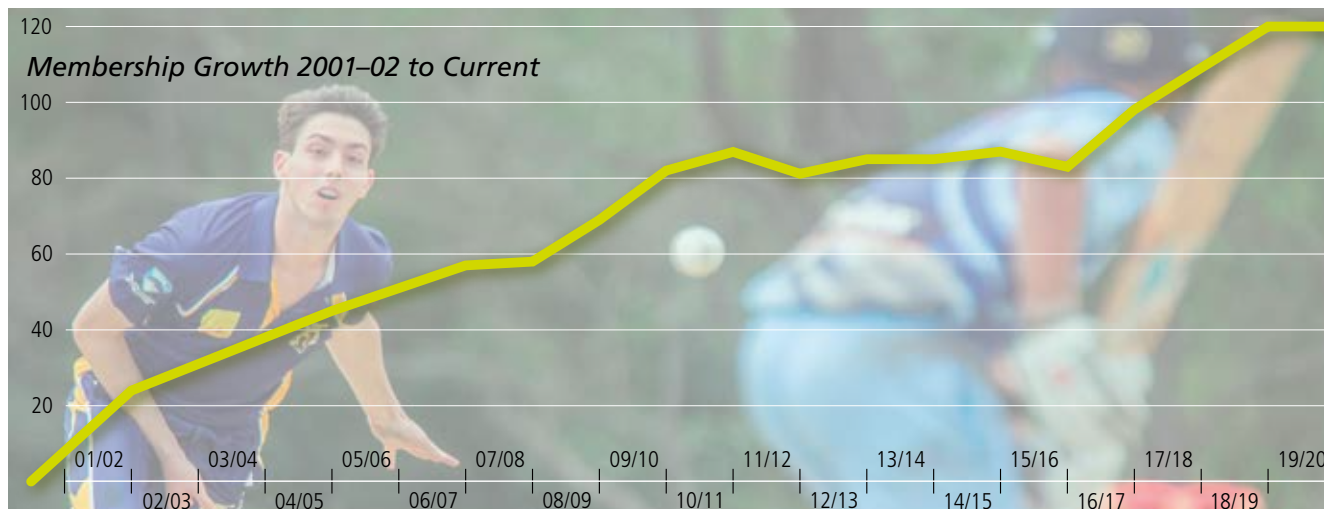
A further 18 umpired between one and six Shires matches during the season (these classified as part time members), and the remaining 13 devoted themselves as full time umpires in Sydney Premier Cricket. On the topic of Premier Cricket, we congratulate SSCUA member Darren Goodger who at the end of the season has once again won the Umpire of the Year in the Premier Cricket 1st Grade panel.



*Darren Goodger (left) umpired his 269th game in Premier 1st Grade on 30.11.20 moving to 3rd place in total matches umpired in the top grade of Premier Cricket. Darren's partner in this match was Rod Porter*

Darren clearly is the benchmark in Premier Cricket for others to emulate and the fact that he was assessed by captains during the season with a perfect 100% score in every match he umpired speaks volumes for his ability as a match official within the cricket community. Well done Darren on such an outstanding achievement.

Further congratulations are extended to SSCUA member Ben Treloar who won the prestigious George Borwick Award for the fourth time in season 2019–20. For those not aware, the Borwick award is presented to a NSWCUA member who participates in Premier Cricket and is deemed to be "the member who in the opinion of the Board of Directors best exemplifies the spirit of that contribution by his or her efforts both on and off the field during the season." It's really pleasing to see Ben, who started off as a player, and then as an umpire in Shires Cricket, go on to Premier Cricket and further progress to a paid umpiring contract with Cricket Australia on its national supplementary umpire panel. Congratulations on winning the Borwick for the fourth time Ben. We all look forward to seeing you umpiring first class cricket in the not too distant future.





## CONGRATULATIONS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Despite the fact that the Finals Series was cut short at the completion of the Qualifying Finals due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the Sydney Cricket Association made the sensible decision to award the Premierships to the Minor Premiers in each grade. Of note is that the Minor Premiers in all six grades won their respective Qualifying Finals making the decision to award Premierships to the Minor Premiers quite an easy one. Congratulations are extended to the following clubs:

First Grade Premiers	Auburn
Second Grade Premiers	Auburn
Third Grade Premiers	Strathfield
Fourth Grade Premiers	Strathfield
Fifth Grade Premiers	Balmain South Sydney
Chappelow Cup Premiers	Macquarie Uni

Of course, we did get one Grand Final played in February with the completion of the Frank Gray Shield. In one of the highest scoring Frank Gray Shield Grand Finals in history, Lindfield narrowly defeated Georges River at Bexley Oval. Congratulations to Simon Dodwell and Anthony Raymond on being appointed as the match officials for this game. A more comprehensive match report on this game appears elsewhere in this annual report.

The Spirit of Cricket Award was won by Warringah Cricket Club for the seventh time in the 17 seasons that this award has existed since its introduction in season 2003/04. Warringah won this award with a club average score of 7.737 out of 10 which was measured across Shires First to Fifth Grades as well as Frank Gray Shield. Epping Cricket Club (7.676), North West Sydney Cricket Club (7.667) and Burwood Cricket Club (7.597) were all very close to pipping Warringah for the award. The scoring system saw a range of just 0.685 between first and last place on the Spirit of Cricket table with Auburn Cricket Club finishing at the bottom of the table with a respectable club score of 7.052 out of 10. The competition average was 7.392 which showed a marked improvement on the competition average in the previous season being 7.193. In summary, player behaviour in 2019–20 seems to be on the improve.



*Bexley Oval, the home of Georges River Cricket Club*

Bexley Oval won the Ground of the Year with Trent Malley the head groundsman winning this award for the fourth time with the last being in season 2016–17. Bexley Oval won the award with an outstanding season average mark of 8.57 out of 10. Runners up in this award were Burwood's Rothwell Park (8.39), Lane Cove's Tantallon Oval (8.10) and rounding out the top four was Strathfield's Airey Park (8.02). At the bottom of the table Mount Pritchard Southern Districts Cricket Club's Greenway Park finished on 5.43 and Lindfield Cricket Club's home ground at Lindfield Oval finished on just 5.42 out of 10.

In what was at times a fairly close run race, Burwood Briars Cricket Club have once again prevailed to take out the Dave Tribolet Club Championship Trophy for the eighth season in succession. They were challenged at times by a number of other clubs but had a strong post Christmas performance to top the table finishing on a total of 1,229 points. Auburn Cricket Club who at stages during the season led the Club Championship had a few hiccups in the last few rounds and ended up finishing 66 points back on 1,163 points. Warringah Cricket Club finished third on 1,099 points and fourth place was taken out by the George's River Club finishing on 964 points. Ironically the top four clubs finished in the exact same order as the previous season. Across the 14 clubs the average score for the season was 728.6 and the lowest scoring club was Pennant Hills who finished the season on just 158 points.

The Executive Committee met on 4 March 2020 to choose umpires for this season's Finals Series including the allocations to the Grand Finals.

The committee was pleased with the high number of members seeking an appointment in the Finals Series and the selections that took place were therefore quite challenging for the committee. Whilst the selection process at that meeting was drafted for all three weekends of the Finals Series this unfortunately saw only the appointments for the Qualifying Finals published to the membership following Cricket NSW's decision to abandon the Semi and Grand Final matches due to the escalating Coronavirus issue at the time.

Congratulations to all members appointed to Qualifying Finals in season 2019–20. We hope that all members will be looking forward to next season and to be involved in Finals as I would anticipate both umpires and players alike from season 2019–20 will certainly be treating season 2020–21 as having a certain amount of unfinished business to attend to.

## AWARDS AND MILESTONES

The winners of the four major awards for season 2019–20 were Stephen Blomfield who won the Umpire of the Year Award, Ross Scott who won the Most Improved Umpire of the Year Award, Maqsood Khan who took out the Rookie Umpire of the Year Award, and Ian Pryde who won the Umpire of the Year (Masters & Classics Cricket) award. All four winners will be presented their respective perpetual trophies at our Annual General Meeting which is currently scheduled to be held at Club Redfern on Wednesday 5 August 2020. A full report on each member and the award they won is detailed on pages four and five of this Annual Report.

During the course of the season a number of members passed significant milestones which were acknowledged with the awarding of each members respective career games polo shirt. Their names are acknowledged in the President's report on page 17.

Further congratulations are extended to Ian Pryde and Sachin Solanki both of whom made their debut in Shires First Grade in season 2019–20. Ian was promoted in Round 5, and Sachin in Round 9 with both of these members making a positive impression with team

*David Goodman presented Ian Pryde with a commemorative medal for his 1st Grade debut at the November meeting*



captains during the season in the top grade. Both members were presented with a medallion commemorating this achievement at the Association meeting that was held in November (for Ian) and in February (for Sachin). We hope all members yet to reach First Grade will take inspiration from members like Ian and Sachin and strive to make it to the top grade next season.

## **CELEBRATING 300 GAMES – SPENCER HARRISON**

Congratulations to SSCUA member Spencer Harrison upon reaching his 300th match during season 2019–20. Spencer joined the Association on 1 August 2003 and has just completed his 17th season as an umpire. This is all the more remarkable as I vividly recall meeting Spencer for the first time and he made a comment to me that he was looking forward to contributing “for a few seasons”. Well here we are 17 years later and Spencer is still going strong.

By reaching 300 games Spencer becomes just the third SSCUA member to pass this outstanding milestone. He has been a loyal and committed member to our Association, is always

available to umpire on both Saturdays and Sundays, has a high attendance rate at SSCUA meetings and has the greatest respect of his peers as well as the players and clubs within the competitions we appoint umpires to. This is never more evident than by the fact that I received a number of requests from a few Shires clubs requesting if they could host Spencer's 300th game – now that's respect.

In his career with the SSCUA Spencer has umpired at the highest level standing in 74 matches in First Grade and also umpiring a number of Premiership deciders being selected to officiate the Third Grade Grand Final in 2006–07 as well as three Fourth Grade Grand Finals in 2005–06, 2007–08 and again in 2012–13.

In recent seasons Spencer has selflessly dropped down to lower grades where he helps and assists our newer and less experienced members. His knowledge and experience gained over a long umpiring career certainly has helped with the ongoing training and development of our newer umpires.

Besides the 300 matches umpired in Shires Cricket, Spencer has also made a significant contribution to Masters and Classics cricket where he holds the record for the most number of games umpired in these competitions currently having stood in 116 of these Sunday fixtures. These extra matches show that Spencer has stood in well over 400 appointments made by this Association. There is a designated photo section in this Annual Report that celebrates

*Peter Mooney partners Spencer for his 300th game at Tantallon Oval*



Spencer's 300 game achievement. Well done Spencer, we hope you continue to enjoy your umpiring for a few more seasons to come.

## **UMPIRE ASSESSMENTS**

The tenth season of the online umpire assessment facility provided via the “MyCricket” website once again gave the Association a quick and easy method to track the progress of our members according to the team captains.

The Executive Committee conducted a meeting on 4 March 2020 to select Finals Series umpires and it was once again noted that the nominal pecking order for the umpire appointments to the Shires Finals Series as suggested by the majority of the Executive Committee was very close to the ranking of our members by the team captains.

A percentage of our members don't always believe in the captain's assessment criteria. My comment to those members is this—Yes, one captain's mark standing alone does not equate to anything of significance—But when you add up and average out a large number of assessments across the majority of the season then you have a strong and reliable source of data that tells you how an umpire is performing. Your committee has great faith in this system and will continue using this as one of our trusted methods to track the progress of our umpires.

It was obviously disappointing to have the season cut two weeks short seeing the Semifinals and Grand Finals not played due to the escalating Coronavirus issue. This meant that the umpire appointments for those two weekends of cricket were not published. As a result, the committee determined it was not appropriate given the circumstances to announce what games members were likely to have been appointed to for those two weekends of cricket that did not go ahead.





# Secretary's Report continued

The introduction of Shires Fifth Grade as an officially sanctioned Shires competition in season 2019–20 meant that our umpires were being assessed by an increased number of team captains. As a result, the number of reports received this season saw a significant increase compared to the previous 2018–19 season. In total, season 2019–20 saw 1,880 umpire assessments captured in the "My Cricket" system across a total of 123 people who officiated in at least one Shires matches in the summer of 2019–20. This total of 1,880 received assessments compared to 1,677 assessments in the previous season where Fifth Grade (previously The Tim Creer Cup) did not count.

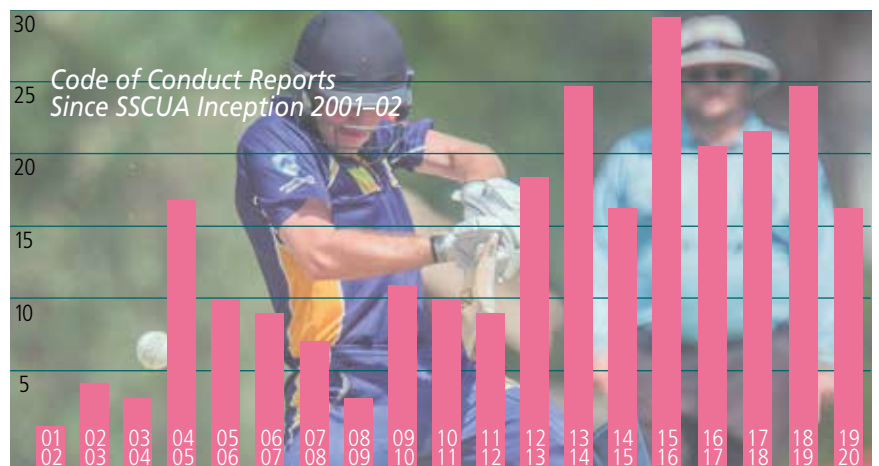


*Michael McTegg in the new umpires room at Bark Huts Reserve*

Of the 123 umpires who stood in Shires Cricket in season 2019–20 a total of 85 were members of this Association and the remaining 38 were NSWCUA members from Premier Cricket who assisted us during the season. The average captains' assessment mark of all umpires in Shires Cricket this season came in at 78.2 out of 100 representing an increase of 1.8% compared to last season's average of 76.4 out of 100. Each season for quite a few years now I have been pleased to report that the Association's average mark is going up as follows (out of 100):

2013–14 = 73.4	2017–18 = 76.0
2014–15 = 73.4	2018–19 = 76.4
2015–16 = 74.6	2019–20 = 78.2
2016–17 = 75.2	

As your secretary I am very proud of the above statistics. Our Association continues to improve each season with



our on field umpiring. It shows as a group we are committed to umpiring to the best of our ability for the betterment of the Shires competition. I hopefully look forward to another increase in the overall percentage mark in season 2020–21 - wouldn't it be great to be able to get above the 80% mark! Any members wishing to see all of their captains' marks for the season need only send an email to [shireumpires@iprimus.com.au](mailto:shireumpires@iprimus.com.au) - Please allow up to five business days for a response.

## PLAYER BEHAVIOUR / CODE OF CONDUCT

In total, there were 17 Code of Conduct Reports across Shires 1st to 5th Grade cricket this season. This was a pleasing decrease from the 25 reports recorded in 2018–19 and this season's count of 17 is the lowest number of reports since 2011–12. In addition, there were another three reports in The Chappelow Cup. However these are not included in the official figure, with Chappelow Cup not being deemed part of the Shires competition. As well as the 17 reports in Shires Cricket there were also an additional 18 reports in Premier Cricket bringing the total number of reports in SCA Cricket to 35 - a significant decrease of 19 compared to the 54 reports registered in season 2018–19.

The Association wishes to offer our thanks to the Code of Conduct Commissioner John McGruther and his assistants for their work in season 2019–20. John and his team provide the required support for our members when a judiciary hearing has to be held, and they ensure that our members are treated with respect at such hearings. Having said that, it was noted that not one of the 17 reports in Shires Cricket last season was referred to a full judiciary hearing with all reports ending up with warning letters issued, or early guilty pleas accepted.

Thanks are also extended to those members that supported the Code of Conduct and did not let matters of poor behaviour go unchecked. It is important to nip such issues in the bud when they happen because if you let it go then the player thinks it is OK, and then continues to behave the same way in future matches. This then causes stress for your fellow SSCUA colleagues that have to deal with such issues later in the season.

## SEASON ANALYSIS

Season 2019–20 once again saw SSCUA members in conjunction with our support network from Premier Cricket manage to achieve 100% umpire coverage in all matches across all grades. It's now been six seasons in a row with 100% coverage and you can effectively call it seven in a row if you want to count the 98% coverage in season 2013–14.

For those not aware, umpire coverage prior to season 2013–14 was in the low 80% range which effectively meant no umpires at all being allocated to our fourth grade competition. We owe much appreciation to our colleagues from Premier Cricket who willingly agree to stand in Shires Cricket to assist us in ensuring that all 28 Shires matches each Saturday are allocated two umpires in every game of every round. Without umpires in matches the integrity of the game suffers.

In the last few seasons, the number of Shires appointments on Saturdays officiated by members of this Association has been on the increase. This reduces our reliance on spare umpires from Premier Cricket assisting us to fill the gaps we have in the lower grades of Shires Cricket each round.

Last season I was pleased to report our total coverage of Saturday appointments had increased from 77.6% in season 2017–18 to 88.6% in season 2018–19. In last season's

annual report I expressed my hope that in season 2019–20 we could increase that figure to above 90%. It therefore gives me great satisfaction to report that in season 2019–20 members of this Association covered 685 out of 754 Saturday appointments in Shires 1st to 5th Grades during the preliminary rounds of the season. This represents a figure of 90.8%, a very impressive figure overall. These improving numbers reflect our growing membership as well as a heightened commitment from all of our active members to being available for more Saturday rounds than has been the case in the past. A medium to long term goal for the Association should be to get as close to 100% coverage in Saturday cricket each week to show we can be self sufficient and not always have to rely on seeking help from outside of our membership.

During the season our best served round of cricket occurred in Round 8 which was the one day game straight after the Christmas break. In that round we filled all 57 available appointments across Shires 1st to 5th Grades from our own membership. Our least served round occurred in mid November during the two day match in round 5 where we filled 49 out of 58 available appointments thus requiring help from Premier Cricket to cover the remaining nine vacancies. Across the preliminary rounds the average number of members available each Saturday was 51.8, an increase of 2.1 compared to the previous season's tally of 49.7 available members per Saturday.

Special mention and thanks is made to Troy Penman for his help in making umpires available to us in rounds where we did not have enough members to fill all of our appointments. It goes without saying that the support we get from NSWCUSA makes a huge difference in ensuring that all Shires games, in all grades, in all rounds, have umpires allocated to them. Thank you Troy, your help and cooperation is greatly appreciated by all our members.

## **IN OTHER NEWS THIS SEASON...**

### **Lots and Lots of Changes**

Season 2019–20 was not a run of the mill summer of cricket by any stretch of the imagination. A range of changes occurred and a number of new policies introduced that saw the way we umpire the game change quite dramatically.

**Concussion Policy** – Umpires now had the ability to allow a replacement player in the event of a player suffering a head

knock during a game. With doctors not being allocated to matches it was left to umpires to determine if a concussion substitute was allowable under this policy. To our knowledge the policy did not have to be implemented in any match during the season.

**First Grade Replacement Player Policy** (Two Day Cricket) – In an attempt to have the best players in the competition playing more often, the Shires sub-committee introduced a rule that allowed a team—only in First Grade fixtures—to nominate 12 players with one of the 12 playing on day one and the other on day two. This policy was utilised regularly throughout the season, however some clubs did use it in ways that appeared to breach the spirit of the arrangement. These circumstances were brought to the attention of Sean Mantle the competition manager.

**Helmet Policy** – The requirement by 30 November 2019, mandating it compulsory for players to wear a helmet when batting, and wicket keepers to wear a helmet, when standing up to the stumps, certainly caused some annoyance with a range of players during the season. It was a bumpy ride in the weeks after the legislated deadline with many players' names being reported to the Sydney Cricket Association for failing to wear a helmet when stipulated. Post Christmas the issue did however start to settle down as everybody began to get used to this new safety requirement.

**Poor Air Quality Policy** – The introduction of a poor air quality policy, to combat the NSW bushfires excessive smoke in the air, caused considerable angst for our members. The tools provided to umpires via a government phone app showing air quality readings in regions of Sydney proved to be problematic with readings lagging a number of hours behind "real time" and in many cases the ground you were umpiring at had no nearby location in the app. Hopefully these issues can be resolved for future seasons.

**Extreme Heat Policy** – The events that occurred on Saturday 1 February 2020 were trying and extreme with temperatures across Sydney ranging from the low 40's to as high as 47 degrees in the western suburbs. What occurred on this day exposed a number of unsatisfactory elements with the Sydney Cricket Association's heat policy. To those members that officiated on this day, I want to thank you for your commitment and courage to ensure as much cricket as possible could be played.

What will certainly transpire from these events is that the Sydney Cricket Association is going to take a serious look at the Extreme Heat Policy and make changes to ensure players and match officials alike will have processes in place that will ensure the health and well being of participants is paramount. The thanks of this Association goes out to NSWCUSA Executive Officer Troy Penman who conducted an across the board survey of members who umpired on this day and took all the received feedback to the Sydney Cricket Association to ensure that appropriate changes next season will be put in place.

### **NSW Youth Championships**

One of the most exciting innovations in season 2019–20 was the manner in which Cricket NSW took over the running of the District Cricket Association's representative under age competitions. These competitions which ranged from Under 12s to Under 16s were played in a ten Sunday window from season start in late September up to the Grand Finals that were played in mid December.

*Ken Buckland with the Parramatta  
Watson Shield captain*



I was fortunate enough to gain part time employment with Cricket NSW joining Bruce Whitehouse and Jess McMahon into the team that would oversee the running of these competitions with myself given the task of building a relationship with umpires from all over Sydney to ensure that every game in these competitions was allocated two umpires. At times the task was daunting with as many as 61 matches needing 122 umpires on most of the ten Sundays of play.

What I was extremely proud of was the number of SSCUA members that embraced these competitions and put their hand up to nominate to be appointed. Many of our members who





are not normally regular Sunday umpires decided to jump on board and support the Championships, recognising how important this project was to Cricket NSW. In total 199 umpires officiated in the NSW Youth Championships during the season of which 49 of these were SSCUA members. I think this was a great result and I am very proud of all our members who contributed to the NSW Youth Championships inaugural season.

Special mention and congratulations are offered to SSCUA members Ken Buckland and Arthur Watson who gained an appointment to one of the Grand Finals in these competitions. Ken oversaw the Under 16 Watson Shield decider, and Arthur was appointed to the Under 15 Margaret Pedan Shield.

*Rupert Mathews with Arthur Watson*



I look forward to next season and would hope that even more of our members want to get involved in these competitions. There are great advantages in nominating. You get to umpire at venues you may not have been to before, you get to meet and officiate with umpires from outside of our Association and you play a significant part in supporting what Cricket NSW considers to be an important youth pathway program within Sydney.

## **SSCUA Membership Cap**

Normally the Association likes to try and give all our members a free giveaway each season and the summer of 2019–20 was no exception. Following the introduction of the Association's aqua polo shirt in 2018–19, season 2019–20 saw us upgrade our Association cap, with the old grey cap made redundant in favour of a new black cap that better contrasted with the aqua polo.

Each member's new cap also had their membership number embroidered on the side and the general feedback was that the new cap was very well received. The funding of the cap was partially covered by a NSW State Government grant we received to offset the costs on our uniform. That grant is now fully expended.

## **Umpire Match Payments**

Umpire match fees for Shires cricket were once again increased more or less along the lines of inflation. Saturday competition preliminary round matches saw the daily umpire fee increased from \$140 to \$145 while the match fee for Sunday Frank Gray Shield limited over games, as well as Shires Competition finals series matches saw an increase from \$150 to \$155. Thanks are extended to the SCA for agreeing to the increases for all matches in the competition which are required to ensure we retain all our members officiating in SCA fixtures.

## **Fund Raising Raffle**

The Association once again conducted a fund raising raffle sponsored by Cricket Australia that saw three new Toyota cars listed as the first three prizes. The raffle was run a little differently this time seeing physical paper raffle books scrapped in favour of an online raffle. The digital raffle proved quite successful for the Association with 71 (out of 120) members making a contribution by purchasing as little as five tickets worth \$25 to as much as 20 tickets worth \$100. Our overall result saw us sell 608 digital tickets raising a total of \$3,040 for the Association coffers.

While I am not aware of any of our members winning a prize, the funds raised from this raffle greatly assists the Association with its day to day operations and will also offset the purchase of a significant giveaway to all members in season 2020–21 to celebrate our 20th anniversary. To those 49 members that chose not to support our fund raising efforts via this raffle I would like to say how disappointing this is. If every member chipped in and supported the raffle, even in a small way, then your Association would be in a better position to offer all members additional benefits. Next season the purchase of raffle tickets will be rewarded with points allocations towards our new "Member of the Year" award in season 2020–21. I hope this will incentivify all members next season to make a contribution to the raffle.

## **SSCUA Member Meetings**

Season 2019–20 saw the Association conduct five meetings in total, the first of those being the Annual General Meeting held on 7 August 2019 where a record AGM attendance of 55 members showed up on the evening.

The pre season meeting in September saw the limit of our meeting room at Club Redfern stretched to capacity with a strong attendance of 67 members on the night. At this meeting two changes to the Association's constitution were passed. The first saw the deadline date for payment of membership renewals changed to the date of the Annual General Meeting each year. The other change was a tidy up of the Association awards seeing outdated information updated to reflect that we now award members with a polo shirt each time they pass a match milestone in increments of 50 games at a time.

The November meeting saw 48 in attendance, a meeting in which Executive Committee Members, Cameron Duff and Rick Crocono, provided the membership with a walk through of a list of known errors that our members had created on field during the season to date. This proved to be a valuable learning session for those that attended.

The December meeting had an attendance of 50 on a night where SSCUA member Darren Goodger provided a presentation to members on a range of topics including match management and code of conduct reporting. As always, Darren's presentations are outstanding and packed full of information for our members to learn from.

The final meeting for the season held in February saw guest speaker Shannon Lane speak to an attendance of 54 members. Shannon, a recently retired player who had for many years captained teams in both Premier and Shires cricket, provided our members with an insight on how captains view match officials going about their work.

Throughout the season your committee had discussions about a percentage of members who seem to rarely or never attend our Association meetings and therefore miss out on valuable learning and development sessions. The committee feels that those who miss meetings are often the ones that make critical errors on field with playing conditions and other umpiring protocols that are discussed at meetings.

To address these issues your committee will be introducing a meeting adherence policy that all members will be advised about closer to the start of the 2020–21 season. It is also advised that the new “Member of the Year” award starting in 2020–21 will allow members to accrue as many as 16 points (out of 100) for those that choose to attend every meeting during the season. The criteria for this award showing how members can accrue points was sent to everyone via email in April 2020.

## THANK YOU'S AND CONCLUSION

To conclude, I would like to thank a number of others that make a contribution to the game of cricket and assist the day to day running of our Association -

First, my thanks to our Executive Committee. David Goodman our President in his fourth year in the role, was of great assistance to me during the season and became my sounding board on many occasions when we as a committee had some more difficult decisions to make.

Our Treasurer Trevor Schokman, in his sixth season with the finances, has had another tremendous year leading us to another net increase in our bank balance when the financial year ended on 30 April 2020. This increase places us in a solid position as we approach a Covid-19 year that may cause us some fiscal challenges in season 2020–21. Well done Trevor, thank you for your efforts, they are very much appreciated.

To the rest of our committee - Ken Buckland, Stephen Clements, Rick Crocono, Cameron Duff, Glen Hanshaw and Patrick Smellie. I wish to offer my thanks for your commitment to the Association's Executive Committee. We had some robust meetings and all of you came to the party with ideas and opinions to ensure every issue we discussed was for the benefit of the membership.

Thanks to Stephen Murphy and Ian Bowman who both do work for the Association in the background. Stephen runs the Association website where he hosts it on his server without charge. The website has been hosted on his site for nearly 15 years and provides members with everything they need to know about the Association. Ian of course needs no introduction. We all can see for ourselves the outstanding work that Ian puts into producing this world class annual report that you are reading right now. The time and effort put in

by Ian in preparing the annual report as well as a range of other projects is one that we cannot put too high a value on. Thanks Ian once again for your commitment to the Association.

Thanks are also extended to those who make a contribution to this annual report with the photos that are seen throughout this document. Both Margaret Tabrett from Warringah Cricket Club and Ben Churcher from Georges River Cricket Club are both significant contributors in regards to what you see throughout this report. Thanks also to SSCUA member Cameron Duff who takes photos at our Association meetings as well as SSCUA member Keeran Ramakrishnan who assisted the Association taking pictures at Spencer Harrison's 300th match in early January. A final mention to Rupert Mathews who also took some photos during the season at various venues where he was performing match observer duties. Without the contributions of these people who take photos, this annual report would be a very plain document, so thank you to all that made a contribution.

*Mike Wheeler with Stephen Blomfield at Weldon Oval. First grade round 8*



Thanks also to Roy Formica, Sean Mantle and Bruce Whitehouse at the Sydney Cricket Association for all the work they do to make sure the Shires competition is enjoyable for all its participants. The amount of work done in the administration of the competitions is enormous, something that I witnessed first-hand during the season when I worked alongside them in my new role at Cricket NSW. We also thank and show gratitude to the Sydney Cricket Association for the generous annual grant we receive to assist with the support of our own Association's administration. My thanks also to John

Biviano (Chairman) and his team who form the Shires Competition sub-committee. This committee does a lot of the work behind the scenes that holds the competition together. Thank you “Biv” and your team, we look forward to working with you all again during our 20th anniversary, next season.

I would also like to offer my thanks and gratitude to the umpiring team that works at Cricket NSW in a season that saw some restructure. Darren Goodger moved into a new role but retained the State Director of Umpiring position and Troy Penman took over the reigns as Executive Officer. Ben Treloar was a new addition in the office taking on the Education and Training Officer responsibilities and Bede Sajowitz and Claire Polosak continued in their existing roles. Our Association gets amazing support from these people and we, as an affiliate Association, are so very thankful for the time and effort that is put into assisting our members during the course of the season. As most of you would know I work closely with Troy Penman to ensure that we jointly cooperate with each other to ensure that all matches across Premier Cricket as well as Shires Cricket are covered with two umpires for each and every day of play. Without Troy's support we wouldn't be able to have 100% coverage in Shires. So thank you, in particular, to Troy for your efforts. They are appreciated by all SSCUA members, as well as the clubs and players involved in the Shires competition.

It is important that we also acknowledge and give thanks for the support we get from our parent body via the board of directors. Thank you to Chairman Mark Hughes who, in his second season as chairman, did a great job leading the Association from the front. It continues to be very satisfying to have an ex Shires player, who then moved on to start an umpiring career in Shires to now be leading the State Umpiring Association as chairman of the board. Thank you also to all of the other members on the NSWCUSA Board who support the SSCUA each season. The support we get from the board is always greatly appreciated.

A reminder to all members that the Association will be holding its 19th Annual General Meeting on the evening of Wednesday 5 August 2020 at our usual meeting place that being Club Redfern (aka Redfern RSL). If government restrictions are still in place and the meeting is not possible on 5 August 2020 then we have a fall back option of Wednesday 9 September 2020.





# Secretary's Report continued

I finally want to thank all of you, the members. It's been an unusual season for sure, but we have all once again achieved quite a lot. Umpire performances on field are still improving, code of conduct reports were significantly down, and lots of exciting cricket was played. Your patience and willingness to implement a raft of new playing condition policies was appreciated by your committee, as well as the competition governing bodies. I continue to be impressed at so many of you and your enduring commitment to the game of cricket that we love and are charged with officiating. And it is thanks to each and every umpire who makes such an important contribution to our Association when you take to the field every Saturday and Sunday in weather conditions that at times were extremely challenging. So thank you for being a member and thank you for what you do for the game.

The SSCUA was founded in August 2001. Next season will be this Association's 20th and it is an anniversary we will all rejoice in celebrating. Your committee has some exciting ideas which will be rolled out as the season progresses and I hope you will all be keen to get involved.

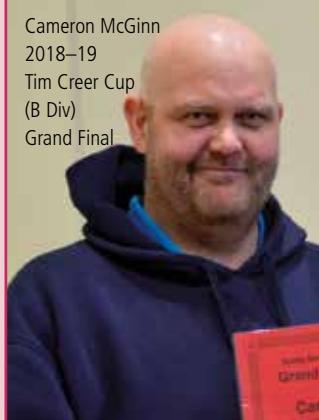
Due to Covid-19 community winter sports are not allowed to start playing until 1 July 2020. Information has recently been supplied that a deal was struck between Cricket NSW and the CEO's of the Sydney winter codes to vacate all venues by Sunday 11 October 2020. With winter codes this year playing into October this will inevitably mean a late start to our season. As it currently stands the Sydney Cricket Association is targeting a start date of 31 October 2020 for Shires Cricket – this is not yet locked in but is the most likely scenario at this stage. When we do start, I trust you will all have an exciting season of umpiring and I look forward to speaking to you all throughout our 20th anniversary.

*Stephen Blomfield*

Simon Dodwell with John Biviano, Chairman, Sydney Shires Sub-committee. 2018–19 First Grade Grand Final, Frank Gray Shield



Cameron McGinn 2018–19 Tim Creer Cup (B Div) Grand Final



Cameron Duff 2018–19 Third Grade Grand Final

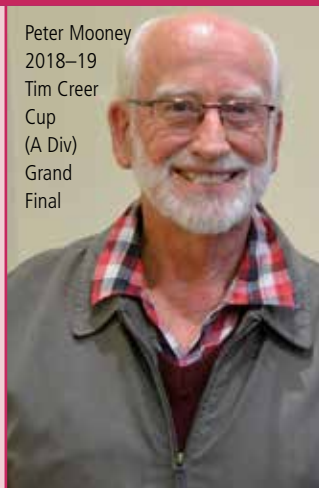


Groff Wheeler 2018–19 Fourth Grade Grand Final



## AGM AWARDS

Peter Mooney 2018–19 Tim Creer Cup (A Div) Grand Final



Tim Overland 2018–19 Third Grade Grand Final



Mike Wheeler 2018–19 Second Grade Grand Final



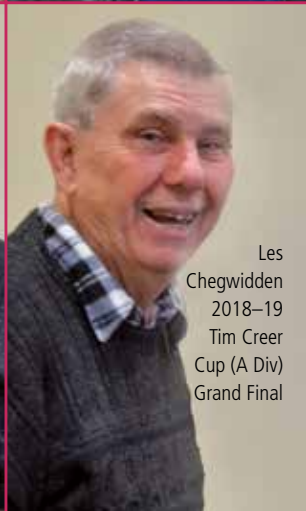
Andrew Steindler 2018–19 Fourth Grade Grand Final



Scott Pryde 2018–19 Tim Creer Cup (B Div) Grand Final



Les Chegidden 2018–19 Tim Creer Cup (A Div) Grand Final



# Treasurer's Report

Year ended  
30th April 2020.

*The financial year commenced on 1st May 2019 with a solid balance of \$6,756.00, a \$2,069.00 increase from the previous season.*

*Going into the 2019–2020 season your committee decided that we should budget for a further surplus so the Association would have sufficient cash security to fund our 20th anniversary celebrations in season 2020–21. I wish to report that this goal has been achieved and the final balance as at 1st May 2020 was \$8,305.00, a 23% increase. This increase was predominantly from membership registrations fees that were subsidised by Government sports grants that the Secretary had successfully applied for.*

*Trevor Schokman  
SSCUA Treasurer*



In connection with the two grants we received under the NSW Government sports program we had a balance of \$845.00 on 1st May 2019. This money has been spent on training & development and new member welcome kits leaving a nil balance.

In February 2020 the extremely infectious COVID-19 disease hit our shores prompting our governments to take firm and unprecedented actions to curb the spread of this viscous virus. These actions have crippled our economy and indications are that it could jeopardise our income for the 2020–2021 season thereby weakening our financial position. Income from the Sydney Cricket Association Grant, Cricket NSW Toyota sponsored Raffle sales and levies from the Masters/Classics/Vintage competitions could be significantly less than those received in the 2019–2020 season. In saying this, however, we are in a good financial position to manage some loss of income from these sources.

Yet again we are fortunate and grateful to the Sydney Cricket Association in continuing to provide financial and other support to our Association. Thank you very much to the SCA's Secretary Bruce Whitehouse for your efforts in securing much needed funding for our Association in the form of an annual grant currently standing at \$4,153.00.

Our Secretary has applied for further government sports grants but alas we recently received notification that the applications are being held in abeyance. In view of the Governments' humongous spending in the last three months in dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic we do not expect to receive the government sports grants we were seeking. This means that it will not be possible to subsidise members' registration fees for the 2020–2021 season.

I wish to extend my thanks to all members who participated in the Cricket NSW Toyota Sponsored Raffle. We received \$3,043 from ticket sales.

Season 2019–20 saw your committee approve funding of beverages and door prizes for members attending Association meetings. As in previous years the committee approved the necessary funds to cover the cost of producing the glossy SSUCA's Nineteenth Annual Report for the 2019–2020 season.

The committee also approved the cost of printing the SSCUA Umpires handbook. Many thanks are extended to our Secretary Stephen Blomfield as well as Life Member Ian Bowman for preparing the comprehensive Annual Report and the Umpires Handbook.

The Association continues to provide secretarial services and umpire appointments for the Masters, Classics and Vintage cricket competitions. This season, in addition to the Shires Fifth grade (previously referred to as the Tim Creer cup), secretarial services and appointment of umpires were provided for the inaugural Chappelow Cup competition. But unlike the Masters/Classics/Vintage competitions no levies were received for servicing the Chappelow Cup competition.

The additional secretarial services to cover the new Chappelow Cup Competition has further increased the workload of the Honorary Secretary. However, the committee will be recommending that there be no change in the Honorariums for the Secretary. The committee will also be recommending that there be no change to the Honorariums for the compiler of the Associations Annual Report and the Umpires Handbook; and for the operator of the Association's website.

I wish to take this opportunity to extend my warm thanks to our tireless secretary Stephen Blomfield for his superb and meticulous secretarial services during this and past seasons. The Association is indeed fortunate to have this competent, dedicated and diligent person in the role of Honorary Secretary. I wish to also thank our President David Goodman for his wisdom in presiding over our Association.

As is our custom, the Association's financial report, balance statement and list of assets for the year ended 30 April 2020 will be supplied to members as a separate insert to the Association's Nineteenth Annual Report.





# New Members

*Season 2019–20 saw the Association acquire the services of nine new members. Further to this we had an additional two ex-members who had previously held SSCUA membership and rejoined us for the 2019–20 season. Of the nine new members to join our Association a total of four of these new members already had extensive umpiring experience across previous seasons in other cricket competitions.*

New members, that were new to umpiring, received mentoring support during the season. This was the 12th season that this Association has supplied such a program where we dedicated specific time and resources into overseeing the experience that our first year rookie umpires had with the SSCUA. Mentoring resources were supplied only to those new members that were deemed either new to umpiring or those with limited experience.

All of our nine new members made a solid contribution to the running of the 2019–20 season which saw us once again having a reduced reliance of the need to have appointments covered by surplus umpires from Premier Cricket.

With only five of our nine new members needing specialised mentoring in their rookie season of umpiring any form of cricket, the role of mentoring those five fell exclusively to the Association Secretary, Stephen Blomfield. The five new rookie umpires in question received regular phone calls during the season and were provided the opportunity to talk through their debut season experiences. All in all, it is pleasing to report that all of our new umpires got through their debut season well and will look to improve even further as they transition in to their second season of umpiring in the upcoming 2020–21 season.

During the season we continued with the process used in previous seasons whereby all members umpiring a game with a first year umpire were asked to complete a written survey on the performance of that new member. These written reports add value to the assessment process of our rookie umpires and there is no doubt that all of those new umpires would have gained valuable feedback via this procedure we have in place.

Following is a summary of each of our nine new umpires that started umpiring in the Shires Competition during season 2019–20. The Association thanks each of these members for choosing to umpire in the Shires Competition and we hope all are looking forward to returning in 2020–21 as well as many more seasons to come.

## BRADLEY BRISTOW

Bradley Bristow come to our Association already having umpired 63 matches in Premier Cricket and joined us looking for a new challenge. He was one of our most committed members being one of a small group to have made himself available for all 13 Preliminary rounds of our Saturday competition.



As well as this Bradley made a positive contribution to our Sunday Cricket where he officiated in a total of seven Youth Championship fixtures as well as a couple of Chappelow Cup matches. Bradley moved up and down

the grades during the season spending time in 2nds, 3rds and 4ths. He also had a good track record with meeting attendances missing just one of the five meetings held during the season. He had a very solid season in his first as an SSCUA member and I look forward to Bradley umpiring with us again in season 2020–21

## IAN CAREW

Ian Carew's situation was similar to Bradley above. Ian had already spent a number of years in Premier Cricket having officiated 68 games by the end of 2018–19. For season 2019–20 Ian chose to make the transition to Saturday Shires Cricket looking for more opportunities while at the same time continuing his involvement with Sydney Women's Cricket on Sundays.

Ian did a great job in his debut season with the SSCUA, and like Bradley



above, was fully committed to the cause by making himself available for an appointment to all 13 Saturday Rounds of Shires Cricket seeing Ian appointed to 2nd and 3rd Grade fixtures throughout the season. Season's end saw Ian also appointed to a Shires 4th Grade Qualifying Final, and to top that all off he had a 100% attendance at meetings for the season. I look forward to Ian continuing his umpiring with us next season and making more positive contributions towards the running of our competitions.

## MEEKAIL HAIDER

Meekail Haider was one of our rookie umpires and at age 17 was quite comfortably our youngest member in season 2019–20. In total Meekail umpired just nine of the 13 rounds during the season but also managed to umpire some Sunday Cricket being appointed to two matches in the NSW Youth Championships.



Umpiring mainly in 3rd and 4th Grade Meekail got some positive feedback from the more senior umpires he stood with and will certainly improve with more experience. Some room for improvement would

be meeting attendance with only one out of five SSCUA meetings during the season seeing Meekail in attendance.

## RAFIQUL ISLAM

Rafiqul Islam was another of our first year rookies joining the Association after his recent move to Sydney. Rafiqul showed a great deal of enthusiasm about joining our Association and showed a great deal of commitment by making himself available for all 13 Saturday Preliminary rounds of the



season. He was also heavily involved in the Sunday Youth Championships being allocated to seven rounds in this competition.

During the season Rafiqul started in Shires 4th Grade and after receiving some

positive feedback moved into 3rd Grade - across the season he umpired equally across these two grades.

He also showed great commitment to the Association by having a 100% attendance rate at members meetings. I am confident that Rafiqal will have an even better season in 2020–21. Well done on your debut season.

## ASHUTOSH JHA

Ashutosh Jha joined the Association shortly after the start of the season and is another of our first year rookies. He started umpiring with us in Round 4 and was available for an appointment for the following Rounds 5 to 13. He was also appointed to a total of five Youth Championship matches during the first half of the season.



Ashutosh umpired a total of 10 Saturday Shires matches all of these being in 4th Grade. He received some positive feedback from his umpiring partners and will no doubt look to improve on this next

season. Another pleasing aspect with Ashutosh was his 100% attendance rate at members meetings, a sign that he was committed to the learning and development aspect of umpiring.

## MAQSOOD KHAN

Maqsood Khan is another of our rookie umpires who has direct links to the Shires competition being a player at Auburn Cricket Club. In total he umpired eight out of the 13 Saturday rounds mixed between 3rd and 4th Grades, and he impressed many of the more senior umpires he stood with. His captains marks were at times impressive and in the end analysis he finished with the highest average captain's mark of the season compared to all of the other first year rookie umpires.

Congratulations to Maqsood who therefore wins the Rookie Umpire of the



Year award—please refer to page five of this annual report for a more detailed summary of this award. One aspect for Maqsood to improve on next season is meeting attendance. Attending only one meeting during the

season means you miss out on invaluable learning and development sessions.

Congratulations to Maqsood on having a successful first season as an umpire. There is certainly talent there with Maqsood. Hopefully this should see him pushing for higher honours in season 2020–21

## PAUL MARSH

Paul Marsh joined the Association after having spent a year in Premier Cricket in 2014 and more recently having umpired in the local Fairfield Liverpool district competitions. Paul came to Shires looking for more structured cricket where he could umpire with a buddy rather than having to umpire solo which is a common aspect of umpiring local district cricket. During the season Paul contributed to 11 out of 13 Saturday Shires rounds, two Sunday 5th Grade matches, three Sunday Youth Championship fixtures as well as an additional five Sunday Chappelow Cup matches.



Paul spent the season doing a mix of 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade games showing that his previous umpiring experience was an asset to the Association. Unfortunately Paul only attended one out of five meetings

during the season thus missing out on a range of valuable learning and development sessions. I look forward to seeing Paul back in season 2020–21 officiating as many games as possible. Congratulations on your first season with the SSCUA.

## SACHIN SOLANKI

Sachin Solanki joined the Association after having umpired a significant amount of high level cricket in the United Arab Emirates (Dubai). In total he was available for 12 out of the 13 Saturday rounds of cricket during the season and was also keen to contribute to Sunday cricket where he participated in six Youth Championship matches, two matches in the Chappelow Cup and a further two in the Masters/Classics competition. During the season he had a 100% attendance rate at SSCUA meetings.

It was a pleasure to have Sachin join the Association as he immediately made an impact in Shires 2nd Grade before earning a rightly deserved promotion



into the top grade mid season. Further rewards also came to Sachin when he received an appointment to a Shires 1st Grade Qualifying Final. He was on track to umpire a Grand

Final with us in his debut season... alas Covid-19 had other ideas causing the Grand Finals to be cancelled. Congratulations to Sachin on his debut season with the SSCUA. We look forward to Sachin returning in 2020–21 as I am sure he feels like he has unfinished business given the cancellation of Grand Finals back in March.

## TONY VAN DEN NIEUWENHOF

Tony Van Den Nieuwenhof was our fifth and final rookie umpire for the season joining the Association in June 2019. Tony also has a direct link to the Shires competition with his son Ben having recently played 1st Grade for Burwood Briars Cricket Club. Tony had a bit of a disjointed season starting up in Round 1 but heading off overseas mid season before returning in February. In total he umpired eight out of the 13 Saturday rounds mixed between 3rd and 4th Grade matches. He also got some invaluable experience in the Youth Championships early in the season standing in a total of six games. Tony attended all meetings of the Association while not away overseas.



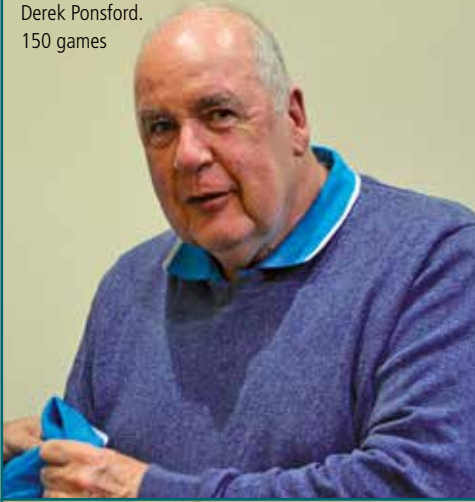
Tony had an enjoyable season as he learned the art of umpiring where he also received lots of good feedback from those more senior umpires that he officiated with. He had solid captains marks during the

season and was a strong contender for the Rookie Umpire of the Year. With this initial season of umpiring behind him I trust that 2020–21 will be an even more enjoyable year of cricket for Tony as he moves into his second season of match officiating with our Association. I am confident there are some good moments to come in the not too distant future for Tony.





Derek Ponsford.  
150 games



Steve Starks.  
50 games



Patrick Smellie.  
200 games



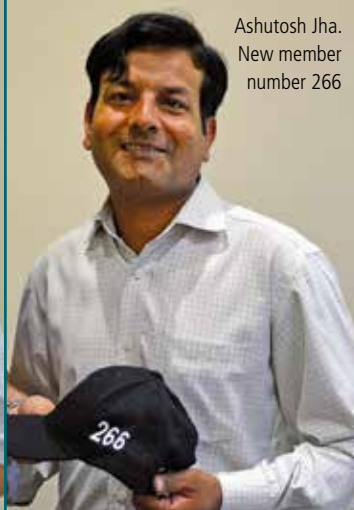
Peter Mooney.  
250 games



David Goodman with  
Spencer Harrison.  
300 games



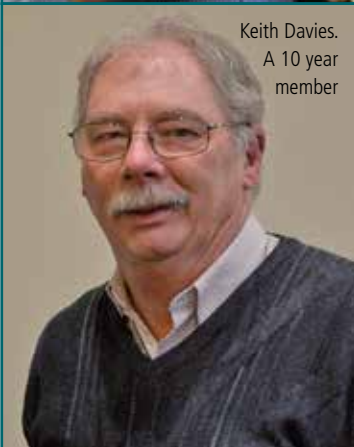
Ashutosh Jha.  
New member  
number 266



Brad Bristow.  
New member  
number 259



Keith Davies.  
A 10 year  
member



Grahame Bell.  
A 10 year  
member



Andrew  
Steindler.  
A 10 year  
member



Ian  
Tabrett.  
A 10 year  
member



# RECOGNITION

Kim Hunter.  
150 games



Brian  
Breakspear.  
100  
games



Stuart Wood.  
100 games



Dennis Oppenheim.  
50 games





# 2019-20 Season Review

*The advent of Coronavirus in Australia, starting in February 2020, and the escalating issues that came with this pandemic saw the Government take action in March 2020 that eventually saw the Sydney Cricket Association having to take the drastic decision to abandon the last two weekends of the season.*

*This decision was made in the best interests of the cricket community and had the full support of this Association's Executive Committee.*

*Normally each year, this is the section of the Annual Report that supplies a match summary on each of our Grand Finals. Fortunately the Frank Gray Final was contested in mid February 2020 and a full report is included. In lieu of no Grand Finals being played in 1st to 5th Grade as well as the Chappelow Cup this section will provide a brief summary of the season for each of these grades.*

## SHIRES 1ST GRADE THE RB CLARK CUP

### **Minor Premiers and Competition Winner – Auburn CC**

The season commenced with Mount Pritchard Southern Districts being the defending Premiers having won the RB Clark Cup in the previous three seasons. It was clear from Round 1 that the 2019-20 premiership was up for grabs with a large number of the Mounties lads from the previous season having decided not to continue with the club. Two of the better players from that team, Brad Maguire and Brenton Wright, had also made the move to play at Burwood Briars. By Christmas time the defending Premiers were all but out of contention lagging behind on the competition ladder on just 16 points.

At the Christmas break Auburn were on top of the ladder having won all seven matches without having played any of the stronger teams on the ladder. Post Christmas the crunch game leading into the finals was the round 12 match seeing 1st versus 2nd with the undefeated Auburn side playing Lane Cove. In this game Auburn prevailed with an outright win to all but cement their place at the top of the table.

At the end of the preliminary rounds Auburn had completed the season undefeated on 72 points. They were followed by Lane Cove (62), Burwood (60), Warringah (47), Georges River (44) and Balmain South Sydney (38).

The surprise packet for the season was clearly Balmain South Sydney who had failed to win a match in the previous season. Congratulations are extended to their captain Tahmid Islam who topped the bowling in 1st Grade taking a whopping 63 wickets at just 10.87 runs per dismissal. An outstanding effort.

*Round 12 First Grade. Ian Pryde at Airey Park*



At the other end of the table Pennant Hills took the wooden spoon failing to win a match during the season with Lindfield and North West Sydney also at the rear of the table, this being compounded by the fact that both lost competition points during the season for breaching the seasonal cap in regards to slow over rate penalties.

*Qualifying Final First Grade. Cameron Duff and Anthony Raymond at Tantallon Oval*







Special mention to Strathfield captain Paul Donovan who topped the competition batting stats scoring an amazing 951 runs at an average of 118.88 with a record breaking six centuries during the season from just 11 visits to the crease. This is even more remarkable in that Strathfield were well down the table finishing the season in 10th position.

### **Qualifying Final Results**

Auburn 206 defeated  
Balmain South Sydney 158

Lane Cove 8/100 defeated  
Georges River 99

Burwood 7/89 defeated  
Warringah 54

Auburn Cricket Club were declared premiers for season 2019–20 having played a total of 14 matches and remaining undefeated (12 wins and 2 draws). This was the clubs first premiership in the top grade since 1989/90 and it is the sixth time the club has won the RB Cup since joining the competition in 1951.

### **SHIRES 2ND GRADE THE SJ MAYNE TROPHY**

#### **Minor Premiers and Competition Winner – Auburn CC**

The season commenced with Burwood being the defending Premiers having won the SJ Mayne Trophy the previous season in a nail biting one wicket win against Auburn. Right from the start of the season it was obvious that the two grand finalists from 2018–19 were going to be right up there in contention again. By Christmas time there were still two undefeated teams with Auburn and Lane Cove both sitting on 40 points. The defending Premiers (Burwood) were also in the race sitting on 38 points with two losses.

Post Christmas there were two defining matches that would shape the season. Auburn and Lane Cove met in Round 12 in a first versus second fixture. Lane Cove came out on top to keep their unbeaten record intact which pushed Auburn back to third place with one game remaining. In Round 13 Auburn played fourth placed Warringah and came from a near impossible position to, not only win on first innings, but to then win outright in the last hour of the match on day two. This unexpected ten points catapulted Auburn to the Minor Premiership which ended up being a hugely important moment given the Covid-19 issues that were to transpire in the weeks ahead. At the completion of the preliminary rounds Auburn had completed the season with 70 points from its 13 matches followed by Burwood (68), Lane Cove (66), Warringah (51), Georges River (45) and Roseville (43). At the other end of the table Pennant Hills took the wooden spoon failing to win a match during the season with Balmain South Sydney only winning one match.

Georges River captain, Ben Saunders, had a great season with the bat accumulating the highest number of runs in the competition - a total of 655 runs in 15 innings at an average of 50.38 including three centuries. The best bowler in the competition was Auburn's Najeeb Azzimi who took 41 wickets at 9.61 runs per dismissal with a best of 7 for 54.

### **Qualifying Final Results**

Auburn 263 defeated  
Roseville 237

Warringah 187 defeated  
Lane Cove 169

Burwood 1/128 defeated  
Georges River 127

*Simon Dodwell, Sachin Solanki  
at Ron Routley Oval.  
Qualifying final. First grade*

Auburn Cricket Club were declared premiers for season 2019–20 having played a total of 14 matches (11 wins, 2 losses, 1 draw). This was the clubs first premiership in Second Grade since 2009/10 and it is just the third time the club has won the SJ Mayne Trophy since joining the competition in 1951.

### **SHIRES 3RD GRADE THE JB HOLLANDER CUP**

#### **Minor Premiers and Competition Winner – Strathfield CC**

The season commenced with Strathfield being the defending Premiers having won the competition in 2018/19 in a dour drawn affair with Burwood. Right from the start of the season Strathfield set the tone winning their first six games including three thumping outright victories. These early season points would prove crucial with Strathfield earning points in only two of the six round matches played after the Christmas break.

*Qualifying Final Third Grade.  
Peter Mooney and Patrick Smellie  
at Airey Park*



Post Christmas second placed Auburn and third placed Burwood played an exciting 142 run a side tie in Round 8 giving Strathfield a bit more breathing room at the top of the table. Round 11 saw Burwood and Strathfield play a close match that ended up in a draw with rain washing out the second day and Auburn's hopes of finishing in the top three faded quickly, as the wheels fell off, seeing them failing to earn any points from their last five preliminary round matches. At the completion of the preliminary rounds Strathfield had completed the season with 61 points from its 13 matches followed by Burwood (57), Warringah (55), North West Sydney (50), Auburn (44) and Georges River (36). At the other end of the table Balmain South Sydney took the wooden spoon failing to win a match during the season with Macquarie Uni not far behind only winning one match themselves.

*Qualifying Final Third Grade.  
Ian Bowman and Kim Hunter  
at St Lukes Oval*



In an interesting Qualifying Final fixture that due to rain only had a half days play on the Saturday, Strathfield who only needed to draw to advance to the Semifinal managed to block their way through 112 overs in scoring just 159 runs for the loss of six wickets and thus shutting their opponents out of the game who conceded the match at tea time on the Sunday.

The highest scorer in Third Grade for the season saw Auburn player Marlon Meurling total 528 runs in 13 innings at an average of 48 including one century. On the bowling side of things Strathfield's Kartikey Trivedi took the honours by taking 42 wickets at 12.5 per dismissal with a best of 6 for 32.

## Qualifying Final Results

Strathfield 6/159 drew with Georges River (did not bat)

Burwood 235 defeated Auburn 73

Warringah 3/176 defeated North West Sydney 173

Strathfield Cricket Club were declared Premiers for season 2019–20 having played a total of 14 matches (8 wins, 2 losses, 4 draws). They go back to back having won the competition in 2018/19 and it is the fourth time the club has won the JB Hollander Cup since joining the competition in 1982.

## SHIRES 4TH GRADE THE HARRY CULBERT TROPHY

### Minor Premiers and Competition Winner – Strathfield CC

The season commenced with Burwood being the defending Premiers having won the competition across the previous five seasons with Strathfield having been runners up in 2018/19. The defending Premiers as well as Strathfield and Warringah were the front runners throughout the whole season with each of these three teams all winding up the first half of the season with one loss each. The rest of the pack struggled all season to keep up with the "big three" and in the end there was a significant gap on the competition ladder separating the top sides with the others.

Post Christmas saw the "big three" continue their winning ways with all three not losing a match in the six preliminary rounds in the second half of the season. Therefore an exciting finals series was set up with a final competition ladder that looked like this - Strathfield (80), Burwood (75), Warringah (70), Mt Pritchard Southern Districts (63), Georges River (57) and Auburn (43). At the other end of the table Pennant Hills earned the wooden spoon winning just one match for the season - this becoming the 3rd wooden spoon across the top four grades earned by the Pennant Hills club in 2019–20.

The highest scorer in Fourth Grade for the season saw Warringah player Harrison Kantor-Smith total 419 runs in 9 innings at an average of 52.38 including two centuries. In the bowling department Strathfield's Abhishek Nahar topped the stats with 44 wickets at an amazing average of just 6 runs per dismissal including best figures of 7 for 22.

## Qualifying Final Results

Strathfield 224 defeated Auburn 47

Burwood 231 defeated Georges River 115

Warringah 8/414 drew with Mt Pritchard Sth Districts (did not bat)



*Qualifying Final Fourth Grade.  
Michael Dunn and Ian Carew  
at Bark Huts Reserve*

Strathfield Cricket Club were declared Premiers for season 2019–20 having played a total of 14 matches (12 wins, 1 loss, 1 draw). This was the clubs first premiership in Fourth Grade since 1994/95 and it is just the third time the club has won the Harry Culbert Trophy since joining the competition in 1982.

## SHIRES 5TH GRADE THE TIM CREER CUP

### Minor Premiers and Competition Winner – Balmain South Sydney

After 25 years of being played as a standalone competition with no administrative support from the Sydney Cricket Association, the Tim Creer Cup officially came under the umbrella of the Sydney Cricket Association and was rebranded to become the official Shires 5th Grade competition.

No major changes to the format of the competition - it remained a 40 over a side competition, played across 22 rounds with the majority of matches played on Sundays. This allowed some of the clubs to enter a team that played together and did not engage in the process of promotion and relegation as is the case with player selections in Shires 1st to 4th grades. By season's end it seemed that each of the teams that made the top six were stand alone sides that fitted this description.





The competition was also set up so that no club could enter a second side in 5th Grade but instead had to enter multiple sides in the lower ranked Chappelow Cup. It was also very positive to see that 13 of the 14 clubs entered a 5th Grade side into the competition with Warringah being the only hold out.

At season's end the stand alone sides had pulled away significantly from some of the other clubs. Across the 22 rounds a high number of competition points had been accrued with the top six looking like this - Balmain South Sydney (109), Georges River (102), Mt Pritchard Southern Districts (96), Strathfield (86), Roseville (85) and Macquarie Uni (72). At the bottom of the table Lane Cove and Lindfield both managed two wins across the 22 Preliminary rounds. Of note is that three teams also lost competition points for breaching their seasonal cap in regards to slow over rates

The highest scorer in Fifth Grade for the season saw Georges River captain Wade Butler score 528 runs at 56.08 with a top score of 128. The best bowler for the season came from the North West Sydney club with Siva Majji taking 31 wickets at 13.58. His best figures were 5 for 15.

### **Qualifying Final Results**

Each of the Qualifying Finals were rain affected with no play possible in the second half the day. All matches were drawn with Balmain South Sydney, Georges River and Mt Pritchard Southern Districts deemed to have won the match being the higher ranked side on the ladder.

Balmain South Sydney 3/95 drew with Macquarie Uni (did not bat)

Mt Pritchard Sth Districts 4/82 drew with Strathfield (did not bat)

Roseville 3/103 drew with Georges River (did not bat)

Balmain South Sydney were declared Premiers for season 2019–20 having played a total of 23 matches (16 wins, 2 losses and 5 draws). The club becomes the inaugural winner of the Shires 5th Grade competition.

## **THE CHAPPELOW CUP**

### **Minor Premiers and Competition Winner – Macquarie University**

The inaugural season of The Chappelow Cup was introduced to replace what was in season 2018/19 the second division of the Tim Creer Cup. Clubs can enter multiple teams into this competition where they have enough players to do so. The same playing conditions exist for this competition as is the case in Shires 5th Grade with the majority of matches played on Sundays.

As is the case with Shires 5th Grade, some of the clubs entered a team that were stand alone rather than engaging in promotion and relegation in regards to player selections. This caused a somewhat lop sided feel to the competition with some teams having players with a skill level that could see them competing at a much higher level.

At season's end the majority of the teams in the top six appeared to be primarily stand alone sides. The final ladder places looked like this - Macquarie Uni (104), Balmain South Sydney Knights (96), Mt Pritchard Southern Districts Gold (87), Balmain South Sydney Phoenix (77), Auburn Green (74), and Burwood Gold (67). At the bottom of the table Ryde Hunters Hill were clear wooden spooners with just seven competition points and were the only team in the competition to lose competition points for breaching their seasonal cap in regards to slow over rates.

The highest scorer in Chappelow Cup for the season was from Balmain South Sydney with Bagath Singh accumulating 630 runs at an average of 42 across 17 innings with a top score of 133. The best bowler Suranga Juliyangedon from Auburn cricket club took 39 wickets at 11.87 per dismissal with a best of 5 for 43.

### **Qualifying Final Results**

Each of the Qualifying Finals were rain affected with no play possible in one match and the game being cut short in the other games during the matches first innings. All matches were drawn with Macquarie Uni, Balmain South Sydney Knights and Mt Pritchard Southern Districts Gold deemed to have won the match being the higher ranked side on the ladder.

Mt Pritchard Southern Districts Gold 3/66 drew with Balmain South Sydney Phoenix (did not bat)

Burwood Gold 1/82 drew with Macquarie Uni (did not bat)

Balmain South Sydney Knights drew Auburn Green (No Play)

Macquarie Uni were declared Premiers for season 2019–20 having played a total of 23 matches (15 wins, 4 losses and 4 draws). The club becomes the inaugural winner of the Chappelow Cup.

# Frank Gray Shield

Bexley Oval

16th February 2020

Lindfield 6/247 (50 overs)  
defeated

Georges River 6/242 (50 overs)  
by 5 runs

Simon Dodwell

Anthony Raymond

The 2019–2020 Frank Gray  
Shield Grand Final featured  
the 2018–2019 Premier

Georges River and Lindfield

who last played a Frank Gray  
final in 2010–2011. The semi-

finals, the Sunday before,

were both washed out due to  
unprecedented levels of rain with  
Sydney seeing over 180mm.



Both teams came into this match as the top ranked clubs in the two divisions of the competition. Georges River in the western zone were undefeated in their preliminary round games accruing 40 competition points across six wins, all of which were comprehensive “floggings” of the opposition. To highlight their dominance, in the western zone they scored over 230 on four occasions including a massive 8/344 batting first against Southern Districts, and on the other two occasions (bowling first) they dismissed the opposition for under 100. For Lindfield, the path to the top of the northern zone was not as easy as it was for Georges River. Lindfield won five games and lost one (against Lane Cove) and finished on 33 points. Their five wins however were all comfortable which included a demolishing of Pennant Hills in round seven bowling them out for just 19.

The venue for the final was Georges River’s home ground, the picturesque Bexley Oval. As has become customary before the toss the umpires together spoke to both groups of players congratulating them on their achievement this season and reminding them that this was a showpiece of the Shires competition. At the toss Lindfield captain Josh Trewin called correctly and elected to bat.

*Thomas Martyn carried his bat  
for 89 not out*

Georges River captain, Pat Kennedy, opened the bowling with Luke Byron at the other end. Both bowled well to deny Lindfield early scoring opportunities. Luke Byron snared the first wicket of Sam Tapner, caught behind for a score of 4 off his 13 deliveries. Lindfield are now 1 for 5. Pommie import Ben Bhabra scores fairly consistently before he is dismissed LBW for 16 off his 25 deliveries. Lindfield have not made the most of the 10 power play overs and have scored a relatively modest 2 for 31.

Lindfield captain, Josh Trewin is next in to bat and makes his intent clear by dispensing his first few deliveries to the boundary with relative ease. Opening batsman Thomas Martyn and Josh Trewin have very different styles.

*Simon Dodwell*





# Frank Gray Shield Final continued

Thomas is playing a typical opening batsman's innings – leaving the good balls and waiting for the bad. Josh on the other hand is aiming to hit anything and everything.

After a long period of time without a wicket Josh Trewin is the next batsman to depart, caught by Curtis Cheney at slip off the bowling of spinner, Michael Labb for 92 off the 107 deliveries he faced. A potentially match winning partnership of 164 runs.

*Anthony Raymond*



Lindfield are now 3 for 193 with 7 overs left in their innings. Andrew Jerogin makes a cameo appearance for 10 off his 18 deliveries, caught by Mitchell Betts off the bowling of Pat Kennedy.

Lindfield progressing to 236 with only 10 balls remaining in the innings. James White contributes 4 off 5 deliveries before he is dismissed, bowled by Luke Byron and then Julian Chan manages to contribute a potentially valuable 5 off his 2 deliveries to end the innings.

At the end of the 50 overs opening batsman Thomas Martyn has carried his bat for 89 with Lindfield having set Georges River a target of 248 to win. Lindfield go into the lunch break full of confidence

having batted the 50 overs and also putting on their highest innings total of the season. Their total of 6 for 247 is also the highest total, batting first, in a Frank Gray Final since 1995. Georges River have it all to do as they now have to chase down the largest score to win the Frank Gray Shield in the history of the competition, which began in 1987.

Lindfield open their bowling attack with import paceman Ben Bhabra, who manages to snag the wicket of Jarrod Mazurkiewicz caught behind for 2. Curtis Cheney and Ben Saunders press the score on to 74 inside 15 overs before Curtis Cheney is caught by Josh

Trewin off the bowling of Julian Chan. Georges River are 2 for 74 with 35 overs left in their innings. From this point onwards Georges River start to lose their way and the run rate dries up. The lads seem to stop playing freely and the attacking flair that is associated with the home side's batting starts to disappear.

Ben Saunders and Michael Labb slowly edge closer to the required total before Ben Saunders is caught behind by Jono Bolt off Josh Trewin. Georges River are now 3 for 102 with a lot of work to do off the remaining 27 overs.



Brandon Labb is next to the crease, joining identical twin brother Michael. Both are using the same brand of bat, both have a black sweat band on their wrist and both are wearing the same colour helmet—what a nightmare for the scorers. Not so, thankfully Brandon has a red band of tape on his helmet so both brothers are credited their appropriate runs. Could this be the partnership to get Georges River over the line? The answer is no, as less than three overs later Michael Labb is caught for 18 by Josh Trewin off the bowling of Ben Bhabra. Georges River now 4 for 113 in the 26th over and batting resources are starting to run out.

Lindfield do not give Georges River an opportunity to get familiar with the bowling, they make frequent changes, swapping bowlers from ends and never allowing Georges River time to settle.

Alejandro Salgueira doesn't trouble the scorers too much as he is dismissed for 2 only 2 overs later. Georges River are now in a precarious position of 5 for 118 off 28 overs with a seemingly near impossible mountain to climb of 130 runs off 132 balls with half the team back in the shed.

Brandon Labb and Riley Orr then put on a charge and put Georges River in a positive position, needing 50 runs off the final 5 overs. Could it be a new record high run chase in a Frank Gray final?

With 13 balls remaining Brandon Labb is dismissed for 43, caught by Thomas Martyn off the bowling of Ben Bhabra. Georges River now 6 for 209.



The equation is 39 off 13 balls. Luke Byron and Riley Orr smash their way through 12 deliveries and unbelievably it comes down to a six being needed off the final delivery to give Georges River a come from behind win. Julian Chan steams in and delivers, Luke Byron swings and misses and the ball goes through to the keeper. Lindfield win the Frank Gray Shield for the first time in 23 years, last raising the trophy back in February 1997.

Onto the presentations and John Biviano, Shires Sub-committee Chairman, thanked Georges River for hosting and congratulated both teams on a fantastic season. John asked Georges River captain Pat Kennedy



to say a few words before asking Lindfield captain Joshua Trewin to say a few words. Joshua was unable to speak, apparently suffering from dehydration, so Lindfield President Greg Cook took to the microphone and thanked Georges River, the umpires and the spectators for their support. John Biviano finally presented Lindfield with the Frank Gray Shield.

*At top Simon Dodwell and Anthony Raymond congratulate the Player of the Final, Joshua Trewin*

*Left. Joshua Trewin with The Frank Gray Shield, Greg Cook with the microphone*

After an extensive discussion by the umpires, Lindfield captain Joshua Trewin was awarded the David Gilbert Medal for Player of the Final for his quick fire 92 runs with the bat and his contribution with the ball, where he took 1 for 13 off 5 overs. A special thanks to Georges River from both umpires for hosting the match and creating a great atmosphere on the day and thanks to all SSCUA members who made an appearance at the ground to support the on field umpires.







Kim Hunter. Round 5 at Lindfield Oval



Ian Bowman. Round 11 at Kanebridge Oval



Stephen Blomfield with Stuart Wood



Round 3 of Frank Gray for Ivan Holand and Tony Bergman



Andrew Steindler. Round 5 at Lindfield Oval



Cameron McGinn with Simon Dodwell. Round 6 at Weldon Oval

# AROUND THE OVALS



Michael Wheeler takes the new ball from Tristan Rajah. Round 7 at North Epping



Ian Pryde (left) travelled to Port Macquarie in February 2020 to umpire in the NSW Over 70s state championships



# Sydney Shires Bushfire Charity Match

Sunday  
23 February 2020  
Kanebridge Oval

Scott Pryde and Brett Tribolet

On Sunday, 23 February 2020, a group of the most talented cricketers in Shires made their way to Kanebridge Oval for a bushfire relief charity game. A 4pm start and 30 overs per side meant the lights would be switched on and a fun evening of cricket was ahead, with the 14 Shires clubs divided into two conferences (Sixers and Thunder, as they are in the Frank Gray Shield) and teams of 12 picked on merit to play the game.



Dan Lenehan, Brett Tribolet, Scott Pryde, Andrew Donovan and John Biviano

With LBWs all but obliterated, the two teams able to bat 12 and a flat pitch, it was always destined to be a high-scoring affair, and it was Paul Donovan who won the toss for the Thunder side, electing to bat first. The game began under overcast skies, with Lane Cove's Joe Scarcella taking the first over and promptly overstepping, leading to a free hit on the first ball, to the laughter of his teammates.

Donovan and Ashan Ul-Haq of the host club got things away to a fast start for the Thunder against Scarcella and Epping's Englishman Sam Rippington, who bowled excellently early on. With Scarcella going the journey, it was over to Macquarie University spinner Danish Ahmed to weave some magic, and it was his pressure which allowed Rippington to get rid of Ul-haq as the run rate fell following the fast start.

Wickets then flowed for the Thunder, with Donovan disappearing shortly afterwards for 21, before Balmain skipper Tahmid Islam was run out. Cameos from Rishi Patel (24), Jack Thomas (12) and Nasir Jalil (21) kept things moving for the Thunder, but when Burwood's Brenton Wright was bowled by Scarcella for 9, the score read 7 for 112 and it was pressure on, with skipper Daniel Lenehan (2/32) and Lane Cove's Greg Hunt (2/6) the pick of the bowlers through the middle overs.

Sam Wotton of Strathfield and Mark Bursa of Auburn, who made 17, then came together and put on an important 41 for the eighth wicket, with Wotton going on to be 39 not out, ensuring the Thunder could finish on the competitive total of 8/198 from 30, with Rippington finishing strongly with the ball, taking 1/28 from 5.

An extended break between innings for the raffle and dinner meant the lights were taking over by the time play resumed, but it looked for some time like the chase would be a walk in the park for the northern conference.

With Pennant Hills' Cosikan Beadle and Warringah's Hamish Ferguson at the crease, the score advanced at a rapid pace, before Beadle was run out for 32, leaving the men in Magenta on 1 for 69 in the 12th, still well on track to chase the total down. With Jalil and Bursa struggling with the ball early, it was over to Karl Stuart to swing it around corners, and spinners Wright and Islam to play the controlling role as they attempted to slow the run chase down.

As the lights took over, Ferguson ended up on 49, while Lane Cove's Greg Hunt also scored 46. The ball was passed back to the man of the match Jalil though, who tore through the middle order, removing Ferguson, Hunt, Matt Gubbay





# Sydney Shires Bushfire Charity Match continued

and David Brady to end up with 4/32 from 6, leaving the Sixers 5 for 123 and needing 76 from 9 overs. The northern conference side weren't going down without a fight as Lindfield's Frank Gray Shield winner, Benjamin Bhabra launched a quickfire 24, joined by Hamish Dodds and Daniel Lenehan as Bursa and Stuart attempted to close out the game for the Thunder.

Strathfield's Sam Wotton was forced to bowl a pressure over at the back end, but only went for six when the Sixers needed well north of ten runs per over, and eventually, Bursa closed out the game, with Lenehan attempting to hit 12 off the final 2 balls, but having to settle for a four on the second last thanks to some outstanding fielding on the long on boundary.

In the end, it was an incredibly tight six-run win for the Thunder on an outstanding evening of cricket.

There are genuine hopes this will become an annual event within the Shires community, with an All-Stars match for charity seen as a way to bring everyone together. Everyone present enjoyed the high standard of cricket on display, as well as the chance to mingle with players who would normally be on opposing teams, while the relaxed, yet serious nature of the contest, created an outstanding game of cricket.

A massive thanks to SSCUA umpires Simon Dodwell, Clay Finne more, Rick Crocono and Ian Pryde, who made the effort to come along and spectate the game, as well as to the North West Sydney Club for hosting on short notice, and to Sean Mantle and the Shires sub-committee for setting the game up and ensuring the teams had classy green and magenta playing kits.



# STATISTICS



# Match Appointments

SEASON 2019-20

SHIRES CRICKET  
FRANK GRAY SHIELD  
PREMIER CRICKET  
SEASON TOTAL

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Abubakr, Irfan	4	0	0	4	Izard, Daniel	1	0	0	1	Thomson, Ian	0	0	0	0
Ahmed, Asfar	0	0	0	0	Jayakody, Dhanushka	1	0	0	1	Tregeagle, Richard	0	0	0	0
Banodkar, Mahesh	10	0	0	10	Jha, Ashutosh	10	0	0	10	Treloar, Ben	0	0	11	11
Barnes, John	5	0	0	5	Khale, Shailesh	0	0	0	0	Tribolet, Brett	11	1	0	12
Basappa, Bharat	0	0	0	0	Khan, Maqsood	8	0	0	8	Turmanis, Juris	0	0	0	0
Bell, Grahame	13	0	0	13	Kirkness, John	8	4	0	12	Turner, Peter	0	0	0	0
Bergman, Tony	15	2	0	17	Leahy, Kevin	5	0	0	5	van den Nieuwenhof, Tony	8	0	0	8
Blomfield, Stephen	21	4	0	25	Lees, Craig	0	0	0	0	Vella, Aaron	0	0	0	0
Boorer, Matt	0	0	0	0	Lulka, Adrian	8	0	0	8	Vyse, Warwick	19	0	0	19
Bowman, Ian	17	3	0	20	Madan, Ajit	7	0	0	7	Ward, Malcolm	4	0	0	4
Breakspear, Brian	12	0	0	12	Maloney, Rob	0	0	0	0	Watson, Arthur	0	0	13	13
Bristow, Bradley	14	0	0	14	Marsh, Paul	13	0	0	13	Wheeler, Geoff	15	5	0	20
Buckland, Ken	3	0	15	18	Mathews, Rupert	0	0	0	0	Wheeler, Mike	15	4	0	19
Carew, Ian	14	0	0	14	Maxwell, Stephen	13	0	0	13	White, Garry	8	1	0	9
Carter, Charlie	0	0	0	0	McGinn, Cameron	9	2	0	11	Whitehouse, Bruce	1	1	11	13
Chegwidden, Les	19	0	0	19	McTegg, Michael	7	0	0	7	Williams, Chris	0	0	0	0
Christen, Richard	6	0	0	6	Mooney, Peter	21	4	0	25	Wood, Stuart	16	2	0	18
Christopher, Grant	13	0	0	13	Mullane, Peter	11	0	0	11	Yasin, Sohail	0	0	0	0
Clements, Stephen	9	0	0	9	Murphy, Steve	0	0	0	0					
Clift, Paul	0	1	0	1	Newsom, Ian	3	0	0	3					
Conway, Michael	9	0	0	9	Oppenheim, Dennis	7	0	0	7					
Cotter, Mark	5	0	0	5	Ottaviano, Joe	10	2	0	12					
Crocono, Rick	2	3	14	19	Overland, Tim	13	0	0	13					
Davies, Keith	3	0	0	3	Panse, Kushal	0	0	0	0					
Davies, Reece	0	0	0	0	Parker, Trevor	17	0	0	17					
DeCelis, Brian	13	0	0	13	Paxton, Homer	17	0	0	17					
Decosta, Kaysee	0	0	0	0	Pillai, Ananthan	7	0	0	7					
Dodwell, Simon	14	8	0	22	Ponsford, Derek	6	0	0	6					
Doughty, Ken	0	0	0	0	Pryde, Ian	16	3	0	19					
du Plessis, Berend	0	0	12	12	Pryde, Scott	17	2	0	19					
Duff, Cameron	15	3	0	18	Ramakrishnan, Keeran	0	0	0	0					
Dunn, Michael	12	1	0	13	Raymond, Anthony	9	6	0	15					
Elloy, Keith	11	0	0	11	Richards, George	0	0	0	0					
Evans, Mick	0	0	0	0	Riley, Gerard	0	0	0	0					
Fagan, Dave	0	0	0	0	Roberts, Michael	15	0	0	15					
Fairlie, Simon	2	1	0	3	Schokman, Trevor	12	1	0	13					
Finnemore, Clay	1	1	15	17	Scott, Ross	16	0	0	16					
Fonseka, Jude	0	0	0	0	Searles, Gary	9	0	0	9					
Ford, Noel	1	0	14	15	Shankar, Arun	11	0	0	11					
Ganguly, Saurabh	4	3	0	7	Sharkey, Vin	9	0	0	9					
Goodger, Darren	0	0	15	15	Shellens, Jim	0	0	0	0					
Goodman, David	13	2	0	15	Shield, Bob	1	0	12	13					
Haider, Meekail	9	0	0	9	Smellie, Patrick	18	3	0	21					
Hanshaw, Glen	0	0	0	0	Smith, Gordon	10	1	0	11					
Harrison, Spencer	12	0	0	12	Smith, David	5	0	0	5					
Hendricks, Bill	0	0	0	0	Solanki, Sachin	15	1	1	17					
Holland, Ivan	15	2	0	17	Srinavasakannan, Sundar	7	0	0	7					
Hughes, Mark	2	1	10	13	Starks, Steve	0	3	15	18					
Hunter, Kim	14	3	0	17	Steindler, Andrew	13	0	0	13					
Islam, Rafiqul	13	0	0	13	Tabrett, Ian	13	5	0	18					
Iyer, Yegnesh	8	0	0	8	Taylor, Chris	4	1	12	17					

# Career Match Appointments AS AT 2019-20

SHIRES CRICKET  
FRANK GRAY SHIELD  
PREMIER CRICKET  
SEASON TOTAL

Abubakr, Irfan	4	0	0	4
Ahmed, Asfar	20	0	3	23
Banodkar, Mahesh	65	0	2	67
Barnes, John	55	4	340	399
Basappa, Bharat	15	0	0	15
Bell, Grahame	69	0	51	120
Bergman, Tony	157	30	1	188
Blomfield, Stephen	346	142	13	501
Boorer, Matt	3	0	0	3
Bowman, Ian	191	45	0	236
Breakspear, Brian	117	1	13	131
Bristow, Bradley	37	0	40	77
Buckland, Ken	72	48	247	367
Carew, Ian	22	0	60	82
Carter, Charlie	5	0	0	5
Chegwidden, Les	90	0	0	90
Christen, Richard	145	14	59	218
Christopher, Grant	37	0	0	37
Clements, Stephen	114	4	0	118
Clift, Paul	10	29	0	39
Conway, Michael	109	2	2	113
Cotter, Mark	21	1	0	22
Crocono, Rick	52	13	58	123
Davies, Keith	70	0	0	70
Davies, Reece	15	0	1	16
DeCelis, Brian	82	4	0	86
Decosta, Kaysee	6	0	0	6
Dodwell, Simon	68	23	1	92
Doughty, Ken	17	0	0	17
du Plessis, Berend	12	0	105	117
Duff, Cameron	54	17	52	123
Dunn, Michael	77	1	0	78
Elloy, Keith	39	0	0	39
Evans, Mick	18	0	0	18
Fagan, Dave	0	0	0	0
Fairlie, Simon	28	9	0	37
Finnemore, Clay	53	14	31	98
Fonseka, Jude	29	0	0	29
Ford, Noel	12	0	45	57
Ganguly, Saurabh	18	3	9	30
Goodger, Darren	19	13	349	381
Goodman, David	114	25	0	139
Haider, Meekail	9	0	0	9
Hanshaw, Glen	62	11	0	73
Harrison, Spencer	263	42	2	307
Hendricks, Bill	6	8	326	340
Holland, Ivan	253	78	1	332
Hughes, Mark	62	16	148	226
Hunter, Kim	132	26	0	158
Islam, Rafiqul	13	0	0	13
Iyer, Yegnesh	19	0	0	19

SHIRES CRICKET  
FRANK GRAY SHIELD  
PREMIER CRICKET  
SEASON TOTAL

Izard, Daniel	15	0	4	19
Jayakody, Dhanushka	19	0	14	33
Jha, Ashutosh	10	0	0	10
Khale, Shailesh	32	2	0	34
Khan, Maqsood	8	0	0	8
Kirkness, John	29	5	0	34
Leahy, Kevin	32	0	217	249
Lees, Craig	12	2	57	71
Lulka, Adrian	20	0	0	20
Madan, Ajit	72	1	0	73
Maloney, Rob	49	6	61	116
Marsh, Paul	16	0	16	32
Mathews, Rupert	193	70	7	270
Maxwell, Stephen	46	0	0	46
McGinn, Cameron	27	14	84	125
McTegg, Michael	19	0	0	19
Mooney, Peter	230	43	243	516
Mullane, Peter	23	0	0	23
Murphy, Steve	10	0	12	22
Newsom, Ian	45	2	35	82
Oppenheim, Dennis	59	0	0	59
Ottaviano, Joe	24	2	28	54
Overland, Tim	55	0	0	55
Panse, Kushal	11	0	0	11
Parker, Trevor	173	16	0	189
Paxton, Homer	91	0	0	91
Pillai, Ananthan	19	0	0	19
Ponsford, Derek	155	0	0	155
Pryde, Ian	44	5	0	49
Pryde, Scott	69	8	0	77
Ramakrishnan, Keeran	49	2	70	121
Raymond, Anthony	89	31	8	128
Richards, George	111	25	149	285
Riley, Gerard	69	17	44	130
Roberts, Michael	153	14	80	247
Schokman, Trevor	212	13	3	228
Scott, Ross	77	0	2	79
Searles, Gary	25	0	0	25
Shankar, Arun	28	0	0	28
Sharkey, Vin	20	0	5	25
Shellens, Jim	184	75	36	295
Shield, Bob	72	16	92	180
Smellie, Patrick	188	25	1	214
Smith, Gordon	221	67	3	291
Smith, David	10	0	0	10
Solanki, Sachin	15	1	1	17
Srinavasakannan, Sundar	24	0	0	24
Starks, Steve	37	14	166	217
Steindler, Andrew	125	1	31	157
Tabrett, Ian	131	52	2	185
Taylor, Chris	148	59	70	277

SHIRES CRICKET  
FRANK GRAY SHIELD  
PREMIER CRICKET  
SEASON TOTAL

Thomson, Ian	30	0	0	30
Tregeagle, Richard	15	1	0	16
Treloar, Ben	11	11	217	239
Tribolet, Brett	103	10	2	115
Turmanis, Juris	20	0	126	146
Turner, Peter	11	0	17	28
van den Nieuwenhof, Tony	8	0	0	8
Vella, Aaron	42	25	44	111
Vyse, Warwick	38	0	83	121
Ward, Malcolm	107	4	0	111
Watson, Arthur	21	2	771	794
Wheeler, Geoff	185	45	3	233
Wheeler, Mike	156	50	1	207
White, Garry	23	1	0	24
Whitehouse, Bruce	93	34	64	191
Williams, Chris	21	0	1	22
Wood, Stuart	91	12	62	165
Yasin, Sohail	2	0	0	2

Note. NSWCUA match milestone achievements as listed on pages 9 and 11 of this report will vary to those records kept by this Association. Whilst all SSCUA records include appointments to the Frank Gray Shield, NSWCUA does not include this competition in its statistical records, as is also the case for matches umpired in Poidevin Gray or AW Green Shield fixtures in Sydney Premier cricket. This footnote is supplied for clarity where confusion may occur regarding statistics in this report that may vary from one section to another.





# 50+ Career Appointments

SHIRES - AS AT 2019-20

	FIRST GRADE	SECOND GRADE	THIRD GRADE	FOURTH GRADE	FIFTH GRADE	SUB TOTAL	FRANK GRAY	CAREER GAMES
Blomfield, Stephen	237	58	24	20	7	346	142	488
Holland, Ivan	92	95	41	17	8	253	78	331
Harrison, Spencer	74	95	56	29	9	263	42	305
Smith, Gordon	24	87	66	35	9	221	67	288
Mooney, Peter	145	37	32	5	11	230	43	273
Mathews, Rupert	105	46	24	14	4	193	70	263
Shellens, Jim	107	33	17	21	6	184	75	259
Friend, Peter	165	19	16	1	1	202	52	254
Bowman, Ian	62	80	21	18	10	191	45	236
Wheeler, Geoff	114	36	24	9	2	185	45	230
Schokman, Trevor	53	74	56	23	6	212	13	225
Smellie, Patrick	99	52	23	9	5	188	25	213
Taylor, Geoff	85	50	13	10	3	161	49	210
Taylor, Chris	118	14	9	3	4	148	59	207
Wheeler, Michael	81	50	16	5	4	156	50	206
Parker, Trevor	5	30	92	32	14	173	16	189
Bergman, Tony	34	80	23	15	5	157	30	187
Tabrett, Ian	64	36	25	3	3	131	52	183
Roberts, Michael	30	49	53	13	8	153	14	167
Christen, Richard	3	33	68	37	4	145	14	159
Hunter, Kim	65	39	19	4	5	132	26	158
Ponsford, Derek	53	77	15	7	3	155	0	155
Kingsford-Smith, Tony	46	31	17	16	2	112	38	150
Goodman, David	32	60	10	8	4	114	25	139
Richards, George	44	38	20	8	1	111	25	136
Whitehouse, Bruce	33	29	12	15	4	93	34	127
Steindler, Andrew	50	37	25	10	3	125	1	126
Buckland, Ken	27	10	12	17	6	72	48	120
Raymond, Anthony	69	17	1	2	0	89	31	120
Breakspear, Brian	24	38	41	11	3	117	1	118
Clements, Stephen	20	55	23	11	5	114	4	118
Shiner, Tom	50	39	2	3	0	94	19	113
Tribolet, Brett	73	15	11	3	1	103	10	113
Ward, Malcolm	43	40	17	3	4	107	4	111
Conway, Michael	0	25	64	15	5	109	2	111
Green, Alan	85	16	7	1	0	109	1	110
Wood, Stuart	28	34	18	7	4	91	12	103
Quaken, Keith	71	25	4	0	0	100	0	100
Gandevia, Robin	40	8	4	1	5	58	42	100
Singham, Mano	0	4	63	28	0	95	0	95
Paxton, Homer	0	5	36	45	5	91	0	91
Dodwell, Simon	53	10	4	1	0	68	23	91
Chegwidden, Les	16	39	21	5	9	90	0	90
Shield, Bob	29	20	15	4	4	72	16	88
Riley, Gerard	32	20	12	5	0	69	17	86
DeCelis, Brian	32	30	12	4	4	82	4	86
Moore, John	49	16	1	3	0	69	14	83
Parfett, Bruce	50	2	2	4	0	58	25	83
Hughes, Mark	45	6	2	7	2	62	16	78
Dunn, Michael	15	29	25	2	6	77	1	78

	FIRST GRADE	SECOND GRADE	THIRD GRADE	FOURTH GRADE	FIFTH GRADE	SUB TOTAL	FRANK GRAY	CAREER GAMES
Pryde, Scott	17	36	7	2	7	69	8	77
Scott, Ross	0	38	27	3	9	77	0	77
Hanshaw, Glen	32	17	9	3	1	62	11	73
Madan, Ajit	0	7	45	18	2	72	1	73
Duff, Cameron	25	17	6	5	1	54	17	71
Davies, Keith	0	30	34	4	2	70	0	70
Bell, Grahame	3	36	20	7	3	69	0	69
Ralston, Tim	53	11	3	1	0	68	0	68
Vella, Aaron	18	11	9	4	0	42	25	67
Finnemore, Clay	30	16	5	0	2	53	14	67
Donnellan, Tom	36	26	1	0	0	63	2	65
Osseweyer, Brett	33	7	2	2	1	45	20	65
Banodkar, Mahesh	0	5	31	28	1	65	0	65
Crocono, Rick	14	19	11	4	4	52	13	65
Moore, Wayne	17	24	8	5	0	54	10	64
Kearney, Chris	30	16	1	2	1	50	12	62
Campbell, Neil	0	8	32	20	0	60	0	60
Barnes, John	22	22	8	3	0	55	4	59
Oppenheim, Dennis	0	4	25	24	6	59	0	59
Thorpe, Ken	40	13	0	0	0	53	5	58
Maloney, Rob	26	13	4	2	4	49	6	55
Overland, Tim	22	20	9	4	0	55	0	55
Roche, Glenn	15	6	5	4	1	31	21	52
Ramakrishnan, Keeran	8	22	11	7	1	49	2	51
Starks, Stephen	18	12	2	4	1	37	14	51

Mike Wheeler's 200th game.  
Frank Gray round 6 at Weldon Oval



# Career Finals

AS AT 2019-20

QUALIFYING & SEMI-FINALS  
GRAND FINALS  
QUALIFYING & SEMI-FINALS  
GRAND FINALS  
CAREER FINALS

SATURDAY SHIRES  
FRANK GRAY

Blomfield, Stephen	37	18	29	7	91
Taylor, Chris	18	9	8	5	40
Friend, Peter	23	10	6	1	40
Mooney, Peter	28	8	2	1	39
Shellens, Jim	19	5	11	1	36
Harrison, Spencer	23	4	4	0	31
Wheeler, Geoff	19	8	3	0	30
Raymond, Anthony	11	6	7	5	29
Mathews, Rupert	23	3	2	0	28
Taylor, Geoff	18	3	5	1	27
Smith, Gordon	18	2	5	1	26
Wheeler, Mike	13	6	7	0	26
Holland, Ivan	22	0	4	0	26
Tabrett, Ian	12	4	7	0	23
Whitehouse, Bruce	10	4	7	0	21
Bowman, Ian	18	0	0	0	18
Parfett, Bruce	8	3	3	3	17
Smellie, Patrick	16	0	0	0	16
Dodwell, Simon	7	3	3	3	16
Tribolet, Brett	10	4	1	0	15
Bergman, Tony	15	0	0	0	15
Gandevia, Robin	6	2	4	2	14
Kingsford-Smith, Tony	9	2	2	1	14
Green, Alan	10	4	0	0	14
Moore, John	9	4	1	0	14
Osseweyer, Brett	6	2	3	2	13
Richards, George	11	0	1	1	13
Buckland, Ken	8	1	2	1	12
Hughes, Mark	9	2	1	0	12
Hunter, Kim	12	0	0	0	12
Vella, Aaron	6	2	3	0	11
Schokman, Trevor	11	0	0	0	11
Riley, Gerard	7	2	1	0	10
Finnemore, Clay	6	2	2	0	10
Steindler, Andrew	7	3	0	0	10

# Chappelow Cup

CAREER MATCHES  
AS AT 2019-20

THIS SEASON  
PREVIOUS SEASONS  
CAREER MATCHES

THIS SEASON  
PREVIOUS SEASONS  
CAREER MATCHES

THIS SEASON  
PREVIOUS SEASONS  
CAREER MATCHES

Abubakr, Irfan	6	8	14	Islam, Rafiqul	0	0	0	Solanki, Sachin	2	0	2
Ahmed, Asfar	0	0	0	Iyer, Jegnesh	0	0	0	Srinivasakannan, Sundar	0	0	0
Banodkar, Mahesh	0	0	0	Izard, Daniel	1	6	7	Starks, Steve	0	0	0
Barnes, John	0	0	0	Jayakody, Dhanushka	0	1	1	Steindler, Andrew	0	1	1
Basappa, Bharat	0	0	0	Jha, Ashutosh	0	0	0	Tabrett, Ian	0	0	0
Bell, Grahame	0	6	6	Khale, Shailesh	0	0	0	Taylor, Chris	0	5	5
Bergman, Tony	3	6	9	Khan, Maqsood	0	0	0	Thomson, Ian	0	0	0
Blomfield, Stephen	5	13	18	Kirkness, John	0	0	0	Tregeagle, Richard	0	0	0
Boorer, Matt	0	0	0	Leahy, Kevin	0	0	0	Treloar, Ben	0	0	0
Bowman, Ian	3	6	9	Lees, Craig	0	0	0	Tribolet, Brett	0	0	0
Breakspear, Brian	0	0	0	Lulka, Adrian	1	7	8	Turmanis, Juris	0	0	0
Bristow, Bradley	2	1	3	Madan, Ajit	0	0	0	Turner, Peter	0	0	0
Buckland, Ken	3	14	17	Maloney, Rob	0	0	0	van den Nieuwenhof, Tony	0	0	0
Carew, Ian	0	0	0	Marsh, Paul	5	0	5	Vella, Aaron	0	0	0
Carter, Charlie	0	0	0	Mathews, Rupert	0	8	8	Wyse, Warwick	7	7	14
Chegwidden, Les	7	10	17	Maxwell, Stephen	3	9	12	Ward, Malcolm	0	0	0
Christen, Richard	0	0	0	McGinn, Cameron	2	4	6	Watson, Arthur	0	0	0
Christopher, Grant	5	11	16	McTegg, Michael	0	0	0	Wheeler, Geoff	3	8	11
Clements, Stephen	2	0	2	Mooney, Peter	1	10	11	Wheeler, Mike	2	3	5
Clift, Paul	0	0	0	Mullane, Peter	2	1	3	White, Garry	0	0	0
Conway, Michael	1	6	7	Murphy, Steve	0	0	0	Whitehouse, Bruce	0	3	3
Cotter, Mark	1	4	5	Newsom, Ian	7	13	20	Williams, Chris	0	0	0
Crocono, Rick	5	11	16	Oppenheim, Dennis	1	5	6	Wood, Stuart	0	2	2
Davies, Keith	1	6	7	Ottaviano, Joe	3	0	3	Yasin, Sohail	0	0	0
Davies, Reece	0	0	0	Overland, Tim	0	0	0				
DeCelis, Brian	0	2	2	Panse, Kushal	0	0	0				
Decosta, Kaysee	0	0	0	Parker, Trevor	4	17	21				
Dodwell, Simon	0	7	7	Paxton, Homer	8	13	21				
Doughty, Ken	0	0	0	Pillai, Ananthan	0	0	0				
du Plessis, Berend	0	0	0	Ponsford, Derek	0	3	3				
Duff, Cameron	2	10	12	Pryde, Ian	4	8	12				
Dunn, Michael	4	8	12	Pryde, Scott	5	4	9				
Elloy, Keith	1	2	3	Ramakrishnan, Keeran	0	0	0				
Evans, Mick	0	0	0	Raymond, Anthony	0	4	4				
Fagan, Dave	0	0	0	Richards, George	0	0	0				
Fairlie, Simon	0	5	5	Riley, Gerard	0	2	2				
Finnemore, Clay	0	2	2	Roberts, Michael	2	13	15				
Fonseka, Jude	0	0	0	Schokman, Trevor	1	1	2				
Ford, Noel	1	5	6	Scott, Ross	4	7	11				
Ganguly, Saurabh	0	5	5	Searles, Gary	2	0	2				
Goodger, Darren	0	0	0	Shankar, Arun	0	0	0				
Goodman, David	0	0	0	Sharkey, Vin	1	0	1				
Haider, Meekail	0	0	0	Shellens, Jim	0	0	0				
Hanshaw, Glen	0	0	0	Shield, Bob	0	0	0				
Harrison, Spencer	0	5	5	Smellie, Patrick	6	10	16				
Hendricks, Bill	0	0	0	Smith, Gordon	0	2	2				
Holland, Ivan	3	13	16	Smith, David	3	2	5				
Hughes, Mark	0	0	0								
Hunter, Kim	2	1	3								

Note. Matches listed as "Previous Season" in the Chappelow Cup also include Tim Creer Cup round games for all seasons prior to 2019-20.





# Masters, Classics & Vintage APPOINTMENTS - 2019-20

THIS SEASON  
PREVIOUS SEASONS  
CAREER MATCHES

THIS SEASON  
PREVIOUS SEASONS  
CAREER MATCHES

THIS SEASON  
PREVIOUS SEASONS  
CAREER MATCHES

Abubakr, Irfan	0	2	2	Islam, Rafiqul	0	0	0	Solanki, Sachin	2	0	2
Ahmed, Asfar	0	0	0	Iyer, Yegnesh	0	0	0	Srinavasakannan, Sundar	0	0	0
Banodkar, Mahesh	0	0	0	Izard, Daniel	1	8	9	Starks, Steve	0	0	0
Barnes, John	1	15	16	Jayakody, Dhanushka	0	0	0	Steindler, Andrew	0	1	1
Basappa, Bharat	0	0	0	Jha, Ashutosh	0	0	0	Tabrett, Ian	0	4	4
Bell, Grahame	0	0	0	Khale, Shailesh	0	0	0	Taylor, Chris	5	17	22
Bergman, Tony	4	62	66	Khan, Maqsood	0	0	0	Thomson, Ian	0	0	0
Blomfield, Stephen	1	24	25	Kirkness, John	0	0	0	Tregeagle, Richard	0	0	0
Boorer, Matt	0	0	0	Leahy, Kevin	0	0	0	Treloar, Ben	0	0	0
Bowman, Ian	4	8	12	Lees, Craig	0	13	13	Tribolet, Brett	0	0	0
Breakspear, Brian	2	0	2	Lulka, Adrian	1	7	8	Turmanis, Juris	7	70	77
Bristow, Bradley	0	0	0	Madan, Ajit	0	0	0	Turner, Peter	0	0	0
Buckland, Ken	3	47	50	Maloney, Rob	0	0	0	van den Nieuwenhof, Tony	4	0	4
Carew, Ian	0	0	0	Marsh, Paul	0	0	0	Vella, Aaron	0	1	1
Carter, Charlie	0	0	0	Mathews, Rupert	0	39	39	Vyse, Warwick	0	0	0
Chegwidden, Les	5	26	31	Maxwell, Stephen	2	13	15	Ward, Malcolm	0	0	0
Christen, Richard	0	6	6	McGinn, Cameron	0	14	14	Watson, Arthur	0	0	0
Christopher, Grant	8	9	17	McTegg, Michael	0	0	0	Wheeler, Geoff	5	14	19
Clements, Stephen	0	0	0	Mooney, Peter	5	12	17	Wheeler, Mike	4	38	42
Clift, Paul	0	6	6	Mullane, Peter	8	11	19	White, Garry	0	0	0
Conway, Michael	4	20	24	Murphy, Steve	0	0	0	Whitehouse, Bruce	0	1	1
Cotter, Mark	0	3	3	Newsom, Ian	8	15	23	Williams, Chris	0	0	0
Crocono, Rick	4	22	26	Oppenheim, Dennis	9	87	96	Wood, Stuart	0	15	15
Davies, Keith	0	7	7	Ottaviano, Joe	0	0	0	Yasin, Sohail	0	0	0
Davies, Reece	0	0	0	Overland, Tim	0	2	2				
DeCelis, Brian	9	30	39	Panse, Kushal	0	0	0				
Decosta, Kaysee	0	0	0	Parker, Trevor	5	82	87				
Dodwell, Simon	6	13	19	Paxton, Homer	0	0	0				
Doughty, Ken	0	1	1	Pillai, Ananthan	0	0	0				
du Plessis, Berend	0	0	0	Ponsford, Derek	1	0	1				
Duff, Cameron	2	24	26	Pryde, Ian	6	10	16				
Dunn, Michael	2	8	10	Pryde, Scott	2	5	7				
Elloy, Keith	0	1	1	Ramakrishnan, Keeran	0	0	0				
Evans, Mick	0	0	0	Raymond, Anthony	0	1	1				
Fagan, Dave	0	0	0	Richards, George	0	0	0				
Fairlie, Simon	0	16	16	Riley, Gerard	0	13	13				
Finnemore, Clay	0	5	5	Roberts, Michael	9	26	35				
Fonseka, Jude	0	0	0	Schokman, Trevor	2	3	5				
Ford, Noel	1	1	2	Scott, Ross	3	22	25				
Ganguly, Saurabh	3	6	9	Searles, Gary	0	0	0				
Goodger, Darren	0	0	0	Shankar, Arun	0	0	0				
Goodman, David	0	1	1	Sharkey, Vin	0	0	0				
Haider, Meekail	0	0	0	Shellens, Jim	0	17	17				
Hanshaw, Glen	0	0	0	Shield, Bob	2	18	20				
Harrison, Spencer	15	101	116	Smellie, Patrick	7	40	47				
Hendricks, Bill	0	0	0	Smith, Gordon	1	3	4				
Holland, Ivan	2	19	21	Smith, David	2	1	3				
Hughes, Mark	0	0	0								
Hunter, Kim	2	26	28								



# Meeting Attendances

## ALL CURRENT MEMBERS

	THIS SEASON				CAREER ATTENDANCES				
	CAREER MEETINGS	% ATTENDANCE			CAREER MEETINGS	% ATTENDANCE			
Abubakr, Irfan	0	1	14	7.14	Islam, Rafiqul	4	4	4	100.00
Ahmed, Afsar	0	1	15	6.67	Iyer, Yegnesh	4	6	8	66.67
Banodkar, Mahesh	3	19	25	76.00	Izard, Daniel	1	4	9	75.00
Barnes, John	2	8	15	53.33	Jayakody, Dhanushka	0	1	8	33.33
Basappa, Bharat	0	3	17	17.65	Jha, Ashutosh	3	3	3	100.00
Bell, Grahame	5	21	34	61.76	Khale, Shailesh	0	11	48	22.92
Bergman, Tony	5	37	41	90.24	Khan, Maqsood	1	1	4	25.00
Blomfield, Stephen	5	63	66	95.45	Kirkness, John	1	2	17	11.76
Boorer, Matt	0	1	18	5.56	Leahy, Kevin	0	0	8	0.00
Bowman, Ian	3	39	59	66.10	Lees, Craig	0	5	24	20.83
Breakspear, Brian	3	21	48	43.75	Lulka, Adrian	2	5	18	27.78
Bristow, Bradley	4	4	5	80.00	Madan, Ajit	1	19	45	42.22
Buckland, Kenneth	5	47	65	72.31	Maloney, Rob	0	6	55	10.91
Carew, Ian	4	4	4	100.00	Marsh, Paul	1	1	4	25.00
Carter, Charlie	0	2	17	11.76	Mathews, Rupert	4	53	55	96.36
Chegwidden, Les	4	23	25	92.00	Maxwell, Stephen	5	15	18	83.33
Christen, Richard	0	20	59	33.90	McGinn, Cameron	4	11	29	37.93
Christopher, Grant	0	5	14	35.71	McTegg, Michael	5	12	14	85.71
Clements, Stephen	3	29	42	69.05	Mooney, Peter	5	47	55	85.45
Clift, Paul	1	25	48	52.08	Mullane, Peter	2	2	14	14.29
Conway, Michael	1	23	40	57.50	Murphy, Stephen	0	6	63	9.52
Cotter, Mark	0	5	18	27.78	Newsom, Ian	3	16	32	50.00
Crocono, Rick	5	29	29	100.00	Oppenheim, Dennis	5	29	36	80.56
Davies, Keith	1	12	40	30.00	Ottaviano, Joe	4	6	8	75.00
Davies, Reece	0	2	43	4.65	Overland, Tim	4	11	18	61.11
DeCelis, Brian	3	11	25	44.00	Panse, Kushal	0	5	17	29.41
Decosta, Kaysee	0	1	40	2.50	Parker, Trevor	4	46	49	93.88
Dodwell, Simon	4	16	17	94.12	Paxton, Homer	4	19	44	43.18
Doughty, Ken	0	5	14	35.71	Pillai, Ananthan	3	7	21	33.33
du Plessis, Berend	0	3	33	9.09	Ponsford, Derek	1	24	58	41.38
Duff, Cameron	5	23	29	79.31	Pryde, Ian	5	14	14	100.00
Dunn, Michael	3	13	25	52.00	Pryde, Scott	4	16	19	84.21
Elloy, Keith	1	6	14	42.86	Ramarkrishnan, Keeran	0	7	45	15.56
Evans, Mick	0	2	14	14.29	Raymond, Anthony	2	23	29	79.31
Fagan, Dave	0	1	14	7.14	Richards, George	0	44	65	67.69
Fairlie, Simon	1	14	33	42.42	Riley, Gerard	0	22	36	61.11
Finnemore, Clay	5	22	26	84.62	Roberts, Michael	4	56	66	84.85
Fonseka, Jude	0	3	33	9.09	Schokman, Trevor	5	60	63	95.24
Ford, Noel	3	5	7	100.00	Scott, Ross	4	25	29	86.21
Ganguly, Saurabh	3	6	9	75.00	Searles, Gary	1	5	14	35.71
Goodger, Darren	2	21	53	39.62	Shankar, Arun	4	7	10	70.00
Goodman, David	5	30	64	46.88	Sharkey, Vin	3	7	9	77.78
Haider, Meekail	1	1	5	20.00	Shellens, Jim	0	32	64	50.00
Hanshaw, Glen	4	37	66	56.06	Shield, Bob	2	25	47	53.19
Harrison, Spencer	5	53	63	84.13	Smellie, Patrick	4	44	52	84.62
Hendricks, Bill	0	1	28	3.57	Smith, Gordon	3	45	66	68.18
Holland, Ivan	5	59	66	89.39	Smith, David	1	1	8	12.50
Hughes, Mark	2	42	55	76.36	Solanki, Sachin	4	4	5	80.00
Hunter, Kim	5	35	36	97.22					
					Srinivasakannan, Sundar	0	1	13	7.69
					Starks, Steve	1	15	66	22.73
					Steindler, Andrew	4	13	38	34.21
					Tabrett, Ian	3	30	39	76.92
					Taylor, Chris	3	20	65	30.77
					Thomson, Ian	0	5	63	7.94
					Tregeagle, Richard	0	2	14	14.29
					Treloar, Ben	0	0	14	0.00
					Tribolet, Brett	4	21	63	33.33
					Turmanis, Juris	0	4	33	12.12
					Turner, Peter	0	5	40	12.50
					van den Nieuwenhof, Tony	4	4	5	80.00
					Vella, Aaron	0	14	41	34.15
					Vyse, Warwick	5	8	8	100.00
					Ward, Malcolm	3	30	47	63.83
					Watson, Arthur	2	24	52	46.15
					Wheeler, Geoff	5	39	48	81.25
					Wheeler, Michael	2	26	39	66.67
					White, Garry	3	8	14	57.14
					Whitehouse, Bruce	1	8	62	12.90
					Williams, Chris	0	5	39	12.82
					Wood, Stuart	5	22	44	50.00
					Yasin, Sohail	0	1	13	7.69

Note. Meetings held in season 2002–03 and 2003–04 are not included in these statistics. The meetings of minutes held in these two seasons were accidentally destroyed in August 2004.





# Finals Series Appointments

SYDNEY SHIRES CRICKET

Home teams  
are shown first.

\* Refers to the winning team, or higher  
placed team if match was drawn.

† Refers to an umpire who at the time of  
appointment was a non SSCUA member used  
to cover a shortfall of members to cover all  
appointments.

## FIRST GRADE

### 2001–02

Quarter Finals	South Sydney* / Pennant Hills S Blomfield / K Wentzell Lindfield* / Burwood B Parfett / S Starks Warringah / Epping* S Yeend / T Ralston
Semifinals	South Sydney* / Epping S Blomfield / K Wentzell Lindfield* / Warringah B Parfett / S Yeend
Final	Lindfield* / South Sydney B Parfett / S Yeend

### 2002–03

Quarter Finals	Strathfield* / Warringah G Rush / P Kite† Auburn* / Pennant Hills J Moore / G Pepper Burwood / South Sydney* B Parfett / S Blomfield
Semifinals	Strathfield* / Burwood S Blomfield / B Parfett Auburn* / South Sydney J Moore / G Pepper
Final	Strathfield* / Auburn J Moore / B Parfett

### 2003–04

Quarter Finals	Strathfield* / Burwood J Moore / S Blomfield Auburn / South Sydney* B Parfett / A Green Pennant Hills* / Lindfield R Gandevia / P Friend
Semifinals	Strathfield* / Auburn J Moore / B Parfett Pennant Hills / South Sydney* S Blomfield / P Friend
Final	Strathfield* / South Sydney J Moore / B Parfett

### 2004–05

Quarter Finals	Strathfield / Pennant Hills* C Taylor / J Moore South Sydney / Auburn* P Friend / B Osseweyer Warringah* / Burwood S Blomfield / A Hinks
Semifinals	Warringah / Strathfield* S Blomfield / P Friend Auburn / Pennant Hills* J Moore / A Green
Final	Strathfield* / Pennant Hills J Moore / A Green

### 2005–06

Quarter Finals	South Sydney* / Auburn C Taylor / B Osseweyer Warringah / Burwood* S Blomfield / P Friend Lane Cove* / Pennant Hills A Green / N Wennerbom†
Semifinals	South Sydney* / Warringah A Green / C Taylor Lane Cove / Burwood* S Blomfield / B Osseweyer
Final	South Sydney / Burwood* A Green / C Taylor

### 2006–07

Quarter Finals	Pennant Hills* / Auburn S Harrison / C Taylor South Sydney* / Burwood S Blomfield / P Friend Lane Cove / Strathfield* J Moore / P Mooney
Semifinals	Pennant Hills* / Lane Cove S Blomfield / P Friend South Sydney* / Strathfield J Moore / C Taylor
Final	Pennant Hills / South Sydney* C Taylor / P Friend

### 2007–08

Quarter Finals	South Sydney* / Strathfield M Hughes / A Green Pennant Hills / Auburn* T Kingsford-Smith / P Mooney Macquarie Uni / Epping* S Blomfield / B Whitehouse
Semifinals	South Sydney / Pennant Hills* P Mooney / P Friend Epping* / Auburn S Blomfield / B Whitehouse
Final	Pennant Hills* / Epping S Blomfield / P Friend

### 2008–09

Quarter Finals	Pennant Hills* / NW Sydney M Hughes / T Kingsford-Smith South Sydney* / Epping S Blomfield / P Friend Strathfield* / Lindfield A Green / C Taylor
Semifinals	Pennant Hills* / Lindfield M Hughes / S Blomfield South Sydney* / Strathfield C Taylor / P Friend
Final	Pennant Hills / South Sydney* C Taylor / P Friend

### 2009–10

Quarter Finals	Strathfield* / Epping P Friend / C Taylor Auburn / NW Sydney* P Mooney / G Wheeler Warringah / South Sydney* S Blomfield / B Tribolet
Semifinals	Strathfield* / Auburn C Taylor / B Tribolet South Sydney* / NW Sydney P Friend / P Mooney
Final	Strathfield / South Sydney* C Taylor / P Mooney

### 2010–11

Quarter Final	Strathfield* / Roseville S Blomfield / M Wheeler Burwood* / NW Sydney C Taylor / P Mooney Lane Cove* / Auburn B Tribolet / P Friend
Semifinals	Strathfield* / Auburn P Mooney / P Friend Burwood* / Lane Cove S Blomfield / B Tribolet
Final	Strathfield* / Burwood P Mooney / B Tribolet

### 2011–12

Quarter Final	Lane Cove* / Epping S Blomfield / P Mooney Burwood* / Macquarie Uni B Tribolet / M Wheeler Auburn* / Strathfield D Goodger / C Taylor
Semifinals	Lane Cove* / Strathfield C Taylor / B Tribolet Burwood* / Auburn S Blomfield / D Goodger
Grand Final	Lane Cove* / Burwood D Goodger / C Taylor

### 2012–13

Quarter Final	Burwood* / Roseville P Friend / M Wheeler Lane Cove / Lindfield* A Vella / C Taylor Auburn / Epping* S Blomfield / I Tabrett
Semifinals	Burwood* / Lane Cove P Friend / C Taylor Epping* / Lindfield S Blomfield / A Vella
Grand Final	Burwood* / Epping S Blomfield / C Taylor

### 2013–14

Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni / Burwood* I Tabrett / M Wheeler Warringah* / Epping S Blomfield / M Ward Roseville / NW Sydney* P Mooney / B Whitehouse
Semifinals	Warringah* / Macquarie Uni P Mooney / M Wheeler NW Sydney / Burwood* B Whitehouse / S Blomfield
Grand Final	Warringah / Burwood* S Blomfield / B Whitehouse

<b>2014–15</b>	
Quarter Finals	Georges River* / Lindfield S Blomfield / A Raymond Burwood / Macquarie Uni* D Burton / G Taylor MP-Southern Dist / NW Sydney* G Riley / I Tabrett
Semifinals	Georges River / Burwood* S Blomfield / A Raymond NW Sydney* / Macquarie Uni D Burton / G Taylor
Grand Final	NW Sydney / Burwood* S Blomfield / A Raymond

<b>2015–16</b>	
Quarter Finals	MP-Southern Dist* / Pennant Hills B Tribolet / A Steindler Burwood / Strathfield* S Blomfield / B Whitehouse (A) B du Plessis (B)**
Semifinals	Georges River* / Warringah A Raymond / G Wheeler MP-Southern Dist / Burwood* A Raymond / M Hughes Georges River / Strathfield* S Blomfield / B Tribolet
Grand Final	Strathfield* / Burwood A Raymond / B Tribolet

<b>2016–17</b>	
Qualifying Finals	NW Sydney* / Lane Cove C Finnemore / G Wheeler MP Sth Districts* / Burwood D Burton / M Hughes Georges River* / Strathfield S Blomfield / A Raymond
Semifinals	NW Sydney* / Strathfield S Blomfield / C Finnemore MP Sth Districts* / Georges River M Hughes / A Raymond
Grand Final	NW Sydney / MP Sth Districts* A Raymond / S Blomfield

<b>2017–18</b>	
Qualifying Finals	Burwood* / Auburn S Dodwell / C Finnemore MP Sth Districts* / Georges River A Raymond / C Lees Lane Cove* / Strathfield S Blomfield / M Hughes
Semifinals	Burwood* / Strathfield S Blomfield / A Raymond MP Sth Districts* / Lane Cove S Dodwell / C Finnemore
Grand Final	Burwood / MP Sth Districts* S Dodwell / A Raymond

\*\*Due to illness B Whitehouse was replaced by B du Plessis on day two

<b>2018–19</b>	
Qualifying Finals	MP Sth Districts* / Lindfield S Blomfield / C Duff Auburn* / Georges River A Monaghan / T Overland Warringah* / Burwood S Dodwell / M Wheeler
Semifinals	MP Sth Districts* / Burwood S Blomfield / S Dodwell Auburn / Warringah* C Duff / M Wheeler
Grand Final	MP Sth Districts* / Warringah S Dodwell / A Raymond

<b>2019–20</b>	
Qualifying Finals	Auburn* / Bal Sth Sydney S Blomfield / B Tribolet Lane Cove* / Georges River C Duff / A Raymond (A) / M Hughes (B)** Burwood* / Warringah S Dodwell / S Solanki

\*\*Due to illness A Raymond was replaced by M Hughes on day two.  
In the 2019–20 season, semifinals and finals were abandoned due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

## SECOND GRADE

<b>2001–02</b>	
Quarter Finals	South Sydney / Blacktown* P Friend / B Leader† Burwood* / Holroyd Hills D Keierleber / P Kite† Pennant Hills / Warringah* I Holland / T Shiner
Semifinals	Burwood* / South Sydney T Shiner / T Ralston Warringah* / Blacktown S Starks / P Friend
Final	Burwood / Warringah* S Blomfield / K Wentzel

<b>2002–03</b>	
Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Roseville G Richards / A Gale Strathfield* / Warringah G Smith / G Taylor South Sydney* / Holroyd Hills K Buckland / P Mooney†
Semifinals	Burwood* / Holroyd Hills G Taylor / A Gale Strathfield / South Sydney* G Rush / N Carson†
Final	Burwood* / South Sydney S Blomfield / G Pepper

<b>2003–04</b>	
Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Lane Cove G Smith / B Osseweyer Warringah* / Epping C Taylor / J Shellens Pennant Hills* / South Sydney G Taylor / J McKinnon
Semifinals	Burwood* / South Sydney J McKinnon / A Green Warringah* / Pennant Hills R Gandevia / C Taylor
Final	Burwood / Warringah* S Blomfield / P Friend

<b>2004–05</b>	
Quarter Finals	Burwood / Lane Cove* G Taylor / P Tate† Holroyd Hills* / Strathfield I Holland / G Smith South Sydney* / Lindfield R Gandevia / J Shellens
Semifinals	Holroyd Hills* / Burwood A Hinks / B Osseweyer South Sydney* / Lane Cove C Taylor / R Gandevia
Final	Holroyd Hills* / South Sydney S Blomfield / P Friend

<b>2005–06</b>	
Quarter Finals	Burwood / Auburn* G Roche / B Davis† South Sydney* / Holroyd Hills S Harrison / G Taylor Lane Cove* / Warringah J Shellens / T Bird
Semifinals	South Sydney* / Burwood G Roche / P Friend Lane Cove* / Auburn S Harrison / T Bird
Final	Lane Cove* / South Sydney S Blomfield / B Osseweyer

<b>2006–07</b>	
Quarter Finals	Burwood* / South Sydney K Buckland / C Kearney Warringah* / Auburn J Shellens / G Smith NW Sydney* / Lindfield G Hanshaw / I Holland
Semifinals	Burwood* / Lindfield G Hanshaw / S Harrison Warringah* / NW Sydney J Shellens / P Mooney
Final	Burwood* / Warringah S Blomfield / J Moore

<b>2007–08</b>	
Quarter Finals	Auburn / Lindfield* R Mathews / J Shellens Lane Cove* / Burwood G Smith / A Charlesworth Roseville* / Pennant Hills S Harrison / C Jones
Semifinals	Lane Cove* / Auburn A Green / T Kingsford-Smith Roseville* / Lindfield M Hughes / J Shellens
Final	Lane Cove / Roseville* B Whitehouse / P Mooney

<b>2008–09</b>	
Quarter Finals	Lindfield* / Strathfield P Mooney / T Schokman Pennant Hills* / Georges River G Taylor / J Shellens Auburn / Burwood* G Smith / D Goodman
Semifinals	Lindfield / Auburn* T Kingsford-Smith / J Shellens Pennant Hills / Burwood* B Whitehouse / A Green
Final	Burwood* / Auburn S Blomfield / M Hughes





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placed team if match was drawn.

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to cover a shortfall of members to cover all  
appointments.

## 2009–10

Quarter Finals	Auburn* / Macquarie Uni G Smith / G Taylor NW Sydney / Warringah* M Wheeler / J Shellens Burwood* / Lane Cove K Ramakrishnan / R Maloney
Semifinals	Auburn* / NW Sydney S Blomfield / B Breakspear Burwood* / Warringah K Ramakrishnan / G Wheeler
Final	Auburn* / Burwood S Blomfield / B Tribolet

## 2010–11

Quarter Finals	NW Sydney* / Lane Cove S Harrison / D Martin Strathfield* / Auburn J Shellens / G Wheeler Warringah* / Burwood S Wood / K Ramakrishnan
Semifinals	NW Sydney* / Burwood C Taylor / G Wheeler Strathfield* / Warringah J Shellens / M Wheeler
Final	NW Sydney / Strathfield* S Blomfield / P Friend

## 2011–12

Quarter Finals	Strathfield* / Epping I Tabrett / G Wheeler Lane Cove / Auburn* G Smith / R Mathews Burwood / Warringah* P Friend / A Vella
Semifinals	Strathfield* / Lane Cove P Mooney / R Mathews Warringah* / Auburn M Wheeler / A Vella
Grand Final	Strathfield / Warringah* S Blomfield / B Tribolet

## 2012–13

Quarter Final	Epping* / Pennant Hills G Taylor / G Wheeler Lane Cove* / Roseville S Harrison / R Mathews Burwood* / Warringah P Mooney / G Stubbings
Semifinals	Epping / Burwood* S Harrison / I Tabrett Lane Cove* / Warringah G Wheeler / M Wheeler
Grand Final	Lane Cove / Burwood* A Vella / M Wheeler

## 2013–14

Quarter Finals	Burwood* / MP-Southern Dist R Mathews / G Riley Warringah* / Roseville P Friend / A Raymond Auburn* / Epping K Hunter / P Smellie
Semifinals	Burwood* / Epping P Friend / I Tabrett Warringah* / Auburn A Raymond / R Mathews
Grand Final	Burwood* / Warringah P Mooney / M Wheeler

## 2014–15

Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Lane Cove R Mathews / R Damodaran Warringah* / Lindfield K Hunter / M Roberts Georges River* / NW Sydney P Mooney / G Wheeler
Semifinals	Burwood* / NW Sydney R Mathews / G Wheeler Warringah* / Georges River G Riley / I Tabrett
Grand Final	Burwood / Warringah* D Burton / G Taylor

## 2015–16

Quarter Finals	Warringah / Georges River* K Hunter / M Roberts MP-Southern Dist* / Macquarie Uni P Mooney / R Crocono Epping / Burwood* C Finmore / R Matthews
Semifinals	MP-Southern Dist / Warringah* R Mathews / G Wheeler Burwood* / Georges River A Steindler / P Mooney
Grand Final	Burwood / Warringah* S Blomfield / B Whitehouse

## 2016–17

Qualifying Finals	Warringah* / NW Sydney S Dodwell / A Steindler Burwood* / Lindfield P Mooney / S Pryde Epping* / Balmain Sth Sydney L Chegwiddden / I Tabrett
Semifinals	Warringah* / Balmain Sth Sydney D Burton / S Dodwell Burwood* / Epping I Tabrett / G Wheeler
Grand Final	Warringah / Burwood* D Burton / C Finmore

## 2017–18

Qualifying Finals	Burwood* / Georges River K Hunter / A Steindler Epping* / Lindfield P Mooney / G Wheeler Warringah* / Auburn R Mathews / P Smellie
Semifinals	Burwood* / Auburn K Hunter / R Mathews Epping / Warringah* P Mooney / G Wheeler
Grand Final	Burwood / Warringah* S Blomfield / C Finmore

## 2018–19

Qualifying Finals	Auburn* / Epping G Wheeler / S Pryde Burwood* / Roseville P Mooney / L Chegwiddden Lane Cove / Georges River* C McGinn / S Wood
Semifinals	Auburn* / Lane Cove S Pryde / A Steindler Burwood* / Georges River T Overland / G Wheeler
Grand Final	Auburn / Burwood* S Blomfield / M Wheeler

## 2019–20

Qualifying Finals	Auburn* / Roseville G Wheeler / S Pryde Burwood* / Georges River I Tabrett / D Goodman Lane Cove / Warringah* T Overland / I Pryde
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In the 2019–20 season, semifinals and finals  
were abandoned due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

## THIRD GRADE

### 2001–02

Quarter Finals	Warringah* / Cant/Bexley G Pepper / L Buckingham† Auburn / Strathfield* B Goddard† / L Kain† Burwood / South Sydney* C Kearney / G Chudleigh†
Semifinals	Warringah / Auburn* G Pepper / L Borg† South Sydney / Strathfield* I Holland / T Kingsford-Smith†
Final	Strathfield / Auburn* P Friend / S Starks

### 2002–03

Quarter Finals	South Sydney* / Warringah K Dhandapani / D Tyson† Macquarie Uni / Lindfield* R Gandevia / C King† Burwood* / Strathfield I Holland / B Lalor†
Semifinals	South Sydney* / Macquarie Uni T Shiner / I Holland Burwood / Lindfield* G Richards / H Owen†
Final	South Sydney* / Lindfield G Taylor / G Rush

### 2003–04

Quarter Finals	Auburn / Macquarie Uni* I Holland / N Carson† South Sydney / Burwood* D Timbs† / B Wylie† Holroyd Hills / Warringah* T Schokman/T Kingsford-Smith†
Semifinals	Warringah / Auburn* G Taylor / B Osseweyer Burwood* / Macquarie Uni G Smith / J Shellens
Final	Burwood* / Auburn A Green / R Gandevia

### 2004–05

Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Strathfield T Bird / D Tyson† Roseville / Macquarie Uni* T Schokman / G Richards Warringah / South Sydney* I Thomson / B Hammond
Semifinals	Burwood* / Roseville G Smith / J Shellens South Sydney* / Macquarie Uni G Taylor / I Holland
Final	Burwood* / South Sydney A Hinks / C Taylor

### 2005–06

Quarter Finals	Auburn* / Strathfield G Smith / N Carson† Burwood / Macquarie Uni* K Buckland / K Leahy† Warringah* / South Sydney G Richards / D Ponsford
Semifinals	Auburn / Burwood* J Shellens / G Richards Warringah* / Macquarie Uni G Taylor / K Buckland
Final	Warringah / Burwood* G Roche / P Friend

### 2006–07

Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Auburn C Jones / T Schokman South Sydney / Macquarie Uni* R Christen / P Coleman NW Sydney / Lane Cove* G Richards / P Chambiras
Semifinals	Burwood* / South Sydney G Smith / I Holland Lane Cove* / Macquarie Uni K Buckland / C Jones
Final	Burwood* / Lane Cove S Harrison / G Hanshaw

### 2007–08

Quarter Finals	Pennant Hills* / Roseville P Coleman / R Christen Burwood / Macquarie Uni* G Richards / I Holland Warringah* / NW Sydney T Schokman / P Smellie
Semifinals	Pennant Hills* / Burwood S Harrison / R Mathews Warringah* / Macquarie Uni G Smith / C Jones
Final	Pennant Hills / Warringah* M Hughes / J Shellens

### 2008–09

Quarter Finals	Auburn* / NW Sydney I Holland / D Ponsford Georges River / Lane Cove* R Mathews / T Parker Burwood / Warringah* M Wheeler / R Gandevia
Semifinals	Auburn / Georges River* G Smith / G Taylor Warringah / Lane Cove* D Goodman / P Mooney
Final	Lane Cove / Georges River* T Kingsford-Smith / A Green

### 2009–10

Quarter Finals	Auburn* / Lindfield S Wood / I Bowman NW Sydney* / Lane Cove S Harrison / T Schokman Burwood* / Georges River T Kingsford-Smith / R Mathews
Semifinals	Auburn* / Georges River G Smith / J Shellens NW Sydney* / Burwood M Wheeler / G Taylor
Final	Auburn* / NW Sydney B Breakspear / G Wheeler

### 2010–11

Quarter Finals	Warringah* / NW Sydney B Baxter / T Schokman Auburn* / Roseville I Bowman / M Ward Burwood* / Strathfield B Shield / A Vella
Semifinals	Warringah* / Strathfield S Harrison / A Vella Auburn / Burwood* S Wood / D Martin
Final	Warringah / Burwood* C Taylor / M Wheeler

### 2011–12

Quarter Finals	Auburn* / Strathfield S Harrison / M Ward Burwood* / Warringah B Shield / I Bowman Lane Cove* / NW Sydney J Shellens / S Wood
Semifinals	Auburn / NW Sydney* P Friend / I Tabrett Burwood* / Lane Cove G Smith / G Wheeler
Grand Final	Burwood* / NW Sydney P Mooney / M Wheeler

### 2012–13

Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Lindfield G Riley / B Shield Strathfield* / Georges River M Ward / T Bergman NW Sydney / Warringah* K Hunter / S Wood
Semifinals	Burwood* / NW Sydney R Mathews / G Riley Strathfield* / Warringah P Mooney / G Taylor
Grand Final	Burwood* / Strathfield G Wheeler / I Tabrett

### 2013–14

Quarter Finals	Macquarie Uni* / Strathfield G Taylor / C Duff Burwood / Epping* S Harrison / I Newsom NW Sydney* / Warringah S Clements / T Bergman
Semifinals	Macquarie Uni* / Burwood S Harrison / K Hunter NW Sydney / Epping* G Riley / P Smellie
Grand Final	Macquarie Uni* / Epping I Tabrett / P Friend

### 2014–15

Quarter Finals	Burwood* / NW Sydney S Harrison / R Crocono Georges River / Strathfield* I Bowman / W Moore Warringah / Macquarie Uni* P Smellie / T Bergman
Semifinals	Burwood* / Georges River S Harrison / P Mooney Macquarie Uni / Strathfield* K Hunter / P Smellie
Grand Final	Burwood / Strathfield* G Riley / I Tabrett





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appointments.

## 2015–16

Quarter Finals	Burwood / Epping* I Bowman / M Dunn Macquarie Uni* / Georges River I Tabrett / W Moore Warringah / NW Sydney* W Luke / P Smellie
Semifinals	Macquarie Uni / Burwood* M Roberts / R Crocono NW Sydney / Epping* C Finemore / K Hunter
Grand Final	Epping / Burwood* A Steindler / G Wheeler

## 2016–17

Qualifying Finals	Auburn / Strathfield* S Clements / D Goodman Burwood / Georges River* R Mathews / P Smellie Warringah* / Epping T Bergman / R Scott
Semifinals	Warringah* / Auburn L Chegwiddden / P Mooney Georges River* / Strathfield T Bergman / S Pryde
Grand Final	Warringah* / Georges River S Dodwell / G Wheeler

## 2017–18

Qualifying Finals	Georges River* / Auburn T Overland / S Pryde Burwood* / Warringah L Chegwiddden / S Clements Epping* / Strathfield M Dunn / T Bergman
Semifinals	Georges River* / Strathfield T Overland / D Nichols† Burwood / Epping* M Dunn / P Smellie
Grand Final	Georges River* / Epping P Mooney / G Wheeler

## 2018–19

Qualifying Finals	Burwood / Strathfield* K Hunter / M Dunn Georges River* / Epping I Pryde / P Smellie NW Sydney* / Warringah R Mathews / S Ganguly
Semifinals	Georges River / Burwood* C McGinn / P Mooney NW Sydney / Strathfield* L Chegwiddden / R Mathews
Grand Final	Strathfield* / Burwood C Duff / T Overland

## 2019–20

Qualifying Finals	Strathfield* / Georges River P Smellie / P Mooney Burwood* / Auburn I Bowman / K Hunter Warringah* / NW Sydney S Wood / C McGinn
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In the 2019–20 season, semifinals and finals  
were abandoned due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

## FOURTH GRADE

### 2001–02

Quarter Finals	South Sydney* / Roseville R Rajogopalan / A Green† Warringah* / Epping M Jones† / G Callaway† Blacktown* / Holroyd Hills N Wennebom† / C King†
Semifinals	South Sydney* / Holroyd Hills C Kearney / R Rajogopalan Warringah / Blacktown* M Beaumont† / N Carson†
Final	South Sydney / Blacktown* T Shiner / T Ralston

### 2002–03

Quarter Finals	South Sydney* / Auburn J Shellens / P Hooper† Warringah* / Georges River D Goodman / B Wylie† Burwood* / Lane Cove M Verran† / K Leahy†
Semifinals	South Sydney* / Lane Cove G Smith / L Buckingham† Warringah* / Burwood K Buckland / T Kingsford-Smith†
Final	South Sydney* / Warringah G Smith / A Gale

### 2003–04

Quarter Finals	South Sydney* / Auburn C Weir† / P Honeywill† Burwood* / Macquarie Uni S Harrison / G Redman† Warringah* / Roseville E Nicholas† / K Leahy†
Semifinals	South Sydney* / Roseville I Holland / G Richards Burwood* / Warringah B Whitehouse / S Harrison
Final	South Sydney* / Burwood G Smith / C Taylor

## 2004–05

Quarter Finals	Holroyd Hills / Sth Districts* C Weir† / L Kain† Burwood* / Roseville G Roche / T Kingsford-Smith† South Sydney* / Warringah B Whitehouse / S Starks
Semifinals	Burwood / Holroyd Hills* B Parfett / N Wennerbom† South Sydney* / Sth Districts G Richards / B Hammond
Final	South Sydney* / Holroyd Hills R Gandevia / B Osseweyer

## 2005–06

Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Roseville G Street / B Cheetham† Macquarie Uni* / Pennant Hills T Schokman / K Ramakrishnan† Warringah* / Auburn W Luke / C Weir†
Semifinals	Burwood* / Auburn G Street / J Barnes† Macquarie Uni* / Warringah I Holland / B Parfett
Final	Burwood / Macquarie Uni* S Harrison / T Bird

## 2006–07

Quarter Finals	Macquarie Uni* / Pennant Hills I Thomson / B Davis† Burwood* / Auburn I Bowman / T Kershaw† South Sydney* / Roseville D Goodman / D Lenzo†
Semifinals	Macquarie Uni* / Roseville P Coleman / G Richards Burwood / South Sydney* R Christen / B Cheetham†
Final	Macquarie Uni / South Sydney* J Shellens / K Buckland

## 2007–08

Quarter Finals	Macquarie Uni* / NW Sydney G Roche / I Bowman Auburn / Lane Cove* G Tunks / G Verco† Lindfield / Georges River* R Davis† / K Ramakrishnan†
Semifinals	Macquarie Uni* / Auburn A Charlesworth / G Richards Georges River / Lane Cove* P Coleman / I Holland
Final	Macquarie Uni* / Lane Cove S Harrison / T Kingsford-Smith

## 2008–09

Quarter Finals	Macquarie Uni / Georges River* I Bowman / B Breakspear Burwood* / Warringah B Tribolet / R Christen Auburn / Lindfield* K Buckland / S McLean
Semifinals	Burwood* / Macquarie Uni K Buckland / R Mathews Lindfield* / Georges River I Holland / T Parker
Final	Burwood* / Lindfield J Shellens / B Whitehouse

<b>2009–10</b>	
Quarter Finals	Macquarie Uni* / Georges River J Moore / I Holland Warringah / NW Sydney* B Shield / T Parker Auburn / Burwood* L Deacon / R Christen
Semifinals	Macquarie Uni* / Warringah S Harrison / I Bowman Burwood / NW Sydney* T Parker / R Mathews
Final	Macquarie Uni / NW Sydney* J Shellens / M Wheeler

<b>2010–11</b>	
Quarter Finals	Warringah* / NW Sydney R Jaensch / I Holland Macquarie Uni* / Lane Cove T Parker / S Arora Strathfield* / Burwood R Christen / R Mathews
Semifinals	Warringah* / Burwood I Holland / K Ramakrishnan Macquarie Uni* / Strathfield I Bowman / B Baxter
Final	Warringah / Macquarie Uni* J Shellens / G Wheeler

<b>2011–12</b>	
Quarter Finals	Strathfield / Lane Cove* T Schokman / P Smellie NW Sydney / Macquarie Uni* R Christen / T Bergman Epping* / Burwood T Parker / G Riley
Semifinals	Epping* / Strathfield S Harrison / S Wood Macquarie Uni / Lane Cove* J Shellens / T Bergman
Grand Final	Epping / Lane Cove* A Vella / R Mathews

<b>2012–13</b>	
Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Pennant Hills B Whitehouse / P Smellie Warringah / NW Sydney* D Ponsford / M Roberts Strathfield / Georges River* G Smith / I Holland
Semifinals	Burwood* / Warringah B Whitehouse / B Shield Georges River* / NW Sydney T Bergman / M Ward
Grand Final	Georges River* / Burwood S Harrison / G Taylor

<b>2013–14</b>	
Quarter Finals	NW Sydney* / Lindfield I Bowman / W Moore Burwood* / Warringah D Ponsford / A Steindler Epping / Georges River* R Crocono / D Abbey†
Semifinals	NW Sydney / Epping* C Duff / T Bergman Burwood / Georges River* G Taylor / I Bowman
Grand Final	Georges River* / Epping A Raymond / G Riley

<b>2014–15</b>	
Quarter Finals	Georges River* / NW Sydney A Steindler / S Fairlie Burwood / Warringah* T Schokman / A Baker Auburn / Epping* I Holland / B De Celis
Semifinals	Georges River / Burwood* I Bowman / W Moore Epping / Warringah* T Bergman / R Crocono
Grand Final	Warringah / Burwood* R Mathews / G Wheeler

<b>2015–16</b>	
Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Epping I Holland / T Schokman Warringah / Strathfield* J Barnes / T Bergman Georges River / MP-Southern Dist* B de Celis / S Harrison
Semifinals	Burwood* / Warringah W Luke / I Bowman MP-Southern Dist* / Strathfield P Smellie / W Moore
Grand Final	Burwood* / MP-Southern Dist R Mathews / P Mooney

<b>2016–17</b>	
Qualifying Finals	Burwood* / Epping S Harrison / J Thorpe Strathfield* / Lindfield I Bowman / N Ford† Warringah* / Georges River T Overland / M Roberts
Semifinals	Burwood* / Georges River S Clements / P Smellie Strathfield* / Warringah D Goodman / R Mathews
Grand Final	Burwood* / Strathfield I Tabrett / P Mooney

<b>2017–18</b>	
Qualifying Finals	Georges River* / Lindfield K Elloy / I Bowman Burwood* / Auburn I Pryde / B de Celis Warringah / Strathfield* D Goodman / M Roberts
Semifinals	Georges River* / Warringah D Goodman / S Pryde Burwood* / Strathfield S Clements / T Bergman
Grand Final	Georges River / Burwood* M Dunn / A Steindler

<b>2018–19</b>	
Qualifying Finals	Warringah* / Auburn T Bergman / M Roberts Burwood* / Epping D Izard / S Clements Bal Sth Sydney* / Strathfield I Bowman / A Shankar
Semifinals	Warringah / Strathfield* S Wood / P Smellie Burwood* / Balmain Sth Sydney R Crocono / K Hunter
Grand Final	Burwood* / Strathfield A Steindler / G Wheeler

<b>2019–20</b>	
Qualifying Finals	Strathfield* / Auburn I Carew / M Dunn Burwood* / Georges River S Clements / W Vyse Warringah* / MP S/Districts L Chegwiddden / T Bergman

In the 2019–20 season, semifinals and finals were abandoned due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

## FIFTH GRADE

<b>2019–20</b>	
Qualifying Finals	Balmain South Sydney* / Macquarie Uni R Scott / A Pillai Georges River* / Roseville S Harrison / K Elloy MP Sth Districts* / Strathfield G Searles / I Holland

In the 2019–20 season, semifinals and finals were abandoned due to the Covid-19 pandemic.





# Finals Series Appointments continued

Home teams  
are shown first.

\* Refers to the winning team, or higher placed team if match was drawn.

† Refers to an umpire who at the time of appointment was a non SSCUA member used to cover a shortfall of members to cover all appointments.

## FRANK GRAY SHIELD

### 2001–02

Quarter Finals	Burwood* / Roseville K Wentzel / C Kearney Strathfield* / Blacktown T Shiner / G Taylor Warringah* / Pennant Hills G Beasley / K Thorpe
Semifinals	Burwood* / Pennant Hills S Blomfield / G Beasley Strathfield* / Warringah B Parfett / K Wentzel
Final	Strathfield* / Burwood B Parfett / S Yeend

### 2002–03

Quarter Finals	Lane Cove* / Holroyd Hills K Wentzel / K Buckland Pennant Hills* / Sth Districts B Parfett / K Dhandapani Burwood* / Auburn B Whitehouse / G Rush
Semifinals	Lane Cove* / Auburn G Taylor / R Gandevia Pennant Hills / Burwood* T Shiner / G Smith
Final	Lane Cove / Burwood* B Parfett / G Richards

### 2003–04

Quarter Finals	Lane Cove* / Epping J Shellens / J Moore Sth Districts / Auburn* B Whitehouse / G Rush Georges River / Burwood* G Smith / R Gandevia
Semifinals	Lane Cove* / Sth Districts S Blomfield / R Gandevia Burwood* / Auburn B Parfett / B Whitehouse
Final	Lane Cove / Burwood* B Parfett / R Gandevia

### 2004–05

Quarter Finals	Lane Cove* / Burwood J Shellens / I Holland Warringah* / Pennant Hills S Harrison / G Richards Auburn* / Macquarie Uni S Blomfield / B Osseweyer
Semifinals	Lane Cove* / Macquarie Uni G Taylor / B Whitehouse Warringah* / Auburn R Gandevia / A Hinks
Final	Lane Cove / Warringah* R Gandevia / B Osseweyer

### 2005–06

Quarter Finals	Lane Cove* / Macquarie Uni J Shellens / S Blomfield Warringah* / Strathfield S Harrison / B Osseweyer Burwood* / Epping G Roche / I Holland
Semifinals	Lane Cove / Burwood* B Osseweyer / G Roche Warringah / Epping* S Blomfield / G Taylor
Final	Epping* / Burwood B Osseweyer / G Roche

### 2006–07

Quarter Finals	Lane Cove* / Strathfield J Shellens / I Holland Macquarie Uni / Auburn* S Harrison / P Coleman Sth Districts / Georges River* S Blomfield / R Gandevia
Semifinals	Lane Cove* / Macquarie Uni G Smith / K Buckland Georges River / Auburn* S Blomfield / J Shellens
Final	Lane Cove* / Auburn G Smith / K Buckland

### 2007–08

Quarter Finals	Warringah / Roseville* S Harrison / P Coleman Sth Districts / Auburn* B Whitehouse / I Holland Georges River* / Strathfield S Blomfield / M Hughes
Semifinals	Georges River / Warringah* T Kingsford-Smith / J Shellens Auburn* / Roseville S Blomfield / B Whitehouse
Final	Warringah* / Auburn T Kingsford-Smith / J Shellens

### 2008–09

Quarter Finals	Strathfield* / Epping S Blomfield / G Smith Auburn* / Warringah P Friend / J Shellens Burwood* / Sth Districts T Parker / C Taylor
Semifinals	Strathfield* / Sth Districts S Blomfield / B Whitehouse Auburn* / Burwood J Shellens / C Taylor
Final	Strathfield* / Auburn S Blomfield / C Taylor

### 2009–10

Quarter Finals	NW Sydney / Lindfield* S Blomfield / G Wheeler Auburn / Macquarie Uni* M Wheeler / G Smith Strathfield* / Roseville T Kingsford-Smith / J Shellens
Semifinals	Strathfield* / NW Sydney C Taylor / P Friend Macquarie Uni* / Lindfield S Blomfield / J Shellens
Final	Strathfield* / Macquarie Uni C Taylor / P Friend

### 2010–11

Quarter Finals	Warringah* / South Sydney J Shellens / M Wheeler NW Sydney / Lindfield* S Blomfield / P Clift Strathfield* / Epping P Friend / C Taylor
Semifinals	Warringah* / NW Sydney M Wheeler / C Taylor Strathfield / Lindfield* S Blomfield / P Friend
Final	Warringah* / Lindfield S Blomfield / C Taylor

### 2011–12

Quarter Finals	Sth Districts / Strathfield* S Blomfield / A Vella Warringah* / Burwood D Goodger / C Taylor NW Sydney* / Auburn P Friend / M Wheeler
Semifinals	Warringah* / Sth Districts C Taylor / M Wheeler NW Sydney* / Strathfield S Blomfield / D Goodger
Grand Final	Warringah* / NW Sydney D Goodger / C Taylor

### 2012–13

Quarter Finals	Lindfield* / Strathfield S Blomfield / M Wheeler NW Sydney / Epping* P Friend / I Tabrett Warringah* / Sth Districts A Vella / B Tribolet
Semifinals	Lindfield / NW Sydney* C Taylor / I Tabrett Warringah* / Epping S Blomfield / A Vella
Grand Final	Warringah* / NW Sydney S Blomfield / C Taylor

### 2013–14

Quarter Finals	Warringah* / Macquarie Uni P Friend / R Mathews Georges River* / Burwood G Riley / I Tabrett Epping* / NW Sydney S Blomfield / M Wheeler
Semifinals	Warringah* / NW Sydney P Mooney / B Whitehouse Georges River* / Epping S Blomfield / I Tabrett
Grand Final	Warringah* / Georges River S Blomfield / P Mooney

## 2014–15

Quarter Finals	Warringah* / Roseville P Mooney / R Mathews Georges River* / Lindfield A Raymond / I Tabrett Burwood* / Epping S Blomfield / G Taylor
Semifinal	Warringah* / Epping S Blomfield / A Raymond Georges River* / Burwood G Taylor / I Tabrett
Grand Final	Warringah / Georges River* S Blomfield / G Taylor

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## 2015–16

Semifinals	Epping* / Balmain Sth Sydney S Blomfield / G Wheeler Georges River* / Lindfield R Maloney / A Raymond
Grand Final	Georges River* / Epping S Blomfield / A Raymond

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## 2016–17

Semifinals	Lindfield / Georges River* S Blomfield / A Raymond MP Sth Districts* / Epping C Finnemore / D Burton
Grand Final	MP Sth Districts / Georges River* S Blomfield / A Raymond

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## 2017–18

Semifinals	Burwood* / Lindfield S Blomfield / S Dodwell Warringah* / Strathfield C Finnemore / A Raymond
Grand Final	Burwood / Warringah* S Dodwell / A Raymond

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## 2018–19

Semifinals	Georges River* / Warringah S Blomfield / S Dodwell Epping / Burwood* A Raymond / I Tabrett
Grand Final	Georges River* / Burwood S Dodwell / A Raymond

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## 2019–20

Semifinals	Georges River* / Warringah S Dodwell / Anthony Raymond Lindfield* / NW Sydney S Blomfield / G Wheeler
Grand Final	Georges River / Lindfield* S Dodwell / A Raymond

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