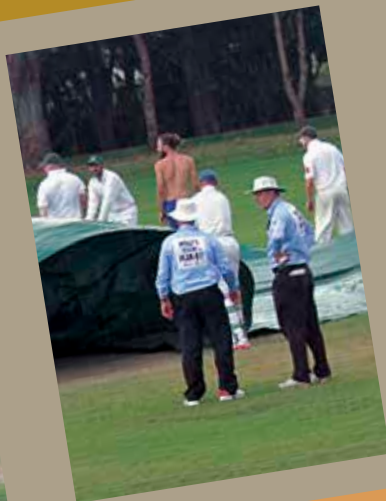




SYDNEY SHIRES CRICKET UMPIRES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT 2014-15







FIRST GRADE

RB CLARK CUP

Blacktown International
Sports Park No 2

28 and 29 March 2015

Burwood 277 defeated
North West Sydney 205

Anthony Raymond and
Stephen Blomfield

THIRD GRADE

JB HOLLANDER TROPHY

Rothwell Park

28 and 29 March 2015

Strathfield 155 and 9/158
defeated Burwood 152

Ian Tabrett and Gerard Riley

FRANK GRAY SHIELD

Weldon Oval, Curl Curl

Sunday 1 March 2015

Georges River 4/127
defeated Warringah 126

Geoff Taylor and Stephen Blomfield

SECOND GRADE

SJ MAYNE TROPHY

Tunks Park, Northbridge

28 and 29 March 2015

Warringah 180 and 5/92
defeated Burwood 113 and 158

Daniel Burton and Geoff Taylor

FOURTH GRADE

HARRY CULBERT TROPHY

Weldon Oval

28 and 29 March 2015

Burwood 5/172
defeated Warringah 171

Geoff Wheeler and Rupert Mathews

Bexley Oval, home of Georges River Cricket Club, has for the second consecutive season, won the Shires Ground of the Year for season 2014/15. Shown here during round 5 of the Frank Gray fixture played on Sunday 18 January 2015. Umpires are Ken Buckland (near end) and Stephen Blomfield (far end). Picture courtesy Margaret Tabrett, Warringah Cricket Club

OFFICE BEARERS OF THE SYDNEY SHIRES CRICKET UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

President

Mark Hughes	2013-2015
Peter Friend	2008-2013
George Richards	2005-2008
John Moore	2004-2005
Bruce Parfett	2003-2004
Peter Turner	2001-2003

Secretary

Stephen Blomfield	2001-2015
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Treasurer

Trevor Schokman	2014-2015
Mike Wheeler	2010-2014
Gordon Smith	2001-2010



Management Committee

Stephen Blomfield
Ken Buckland
Paul Clift
Glen Hanshaw
Mark Hughes
Trevor Schokman
Aaron Vella



L to R: Aaron Vella, Trevor Schokman, Ken Buckland, Mark Hughes, Glen Hanshaw, Stephen Blomfield, Paul Clift



THE HISTORY OF OUR ASSOCIATION

1	Turner, Peter	54	McKinnon, Jeff*	107	Harvey, John*	160	Steindler, Andrew
2	Beesley, Graham*	55	Mulligan, Luke*	108	Apter, Jamie*	161	York, Paul*
3	Blomfield, Stephen ^{LM}	56	Murphy, Steve	109	Alliston, Bill*	162	Barnes, John
4	Carroll, Phil*	57	Osseweyer, Brett*	110	Ward, Malcom	163	Tabrett, Ian
5	Donnellan, Tom*	58	Ridge, Owen*	111	Clift, Paul	164	Dunford, Clive*
6	Friend, Peter	59	Schokman, Trevor	112	Rowsell, Adam*	165	Hunter, Kim
7	Guha, Ronnie*	60	Scott, Wesley*	113	Yousef, Salman*	166	Riley, Gerard
8	Hanshaw, Glen	61	Tasker, Peter*	114	McLean, Scott*	167	Oppenheim, Dennis
9	Haviland, Chris*	62	Taylor, Chris	115	Wheeler, Geoff	168	Pointer, Martyn*
10	Hickey, Dave*	63	Bird, Tony*	116	Wheeler, Mike*	169	Sowter, Michael*
11	Holland, Ivan	64	Bowman, Ian	117	Williams, Chris	170	Ryan, Tim*
12	Jayaweera, Jay*	65	Brady, Steve*	118	Breakspear, Brian	171	Burke, John*
13	Jegathesan, Jeriam*	66	Hammond, Brett*	119	Khale, Shailesh	172	Fonseka, Jude
14	Kearney, Chris**	67	Hinks, Andrew*	120	Whyte, Craig*	173	DuPlessis, Berend
15	Keierleber, David*	68	Roche, Glenn*	121	Deacon, Lachlan*	174	Fairlie, Simon
16	Luckman, Terry*	69	Thomson, Ian	122	Campbell, Malcolm*	175	Hossain, Bayazed*
17	MacGillivray, Bruce**	70	Tribolet, Brett	123	Smith, Cameron*	176	Prabhakar, Yatin*
18	Owen, Alan*	71	Bharadwaj, Vijay*	124	Calvert, Scott*	177	Rahman, Ashafur*
19	Parfett, Bruce*	72	Cocks, Graeme*	125	Arora, Sunil*	178	Turmanis, Juris
20	Pepper, Glenn*	73	Dobbin, Patrick*	126	Robertson, Bob*	179	Turner, Michael
21	Quaken, Keith*	74	Hasty, Jon*	127	Raghavendra, Venkatesh*	180	Stubbings, Glen*
22	Rajogopalan, Ragoo*	75	Luke, William*	128	Lardner, Craig*	181	Brady, Jason*
23	Ralston, Tim*	76	Maloney, Rob	129	Madan, Ajit	182	White, Graeme
24	Roberts, Michael	77	Marquet, Jonathan*	130	Cordner, Geoff*	183	Newsom, Ian
25	Sammy, Rajan*	78	Narayanan, Vishy*	131	Shield, Bob	184	Scott, Ross
26	Shiner, Tom*	79	Pardy, Bill*	132	Wood, Stuart	185	Moore, Wayne
27	Smith, Gordon	80	Ponsford, Derek	133	Ramakrishnan, Keeran	186	McGinn, Cameron
28	Starks, Steve	81	Street, Gary*	134	Napper, Peter*	187	Crocono, Rick
29	Taylor, Geoff	82	Hughes, Mark	135	Rees, Martin*	188	Raymond, Anthony
30	Thorpe, Ken*	83	Mathews, Rupert	136	Paxton, Homer	189	Duff, Cameron
31	Wentzel, Karl*	84	Ritchie, Matt*	137	Davies, Adam*	190	Kenneally, Trevor
32	Yeend, Stuart*	85	Jones, Colin*	138	Davies, Reece	191	Hendricks, Bill
33	Buckland, Ken	86	Romeo, Joe*	139	Hamilton, Ian*	192	De Celis, Brian
34	DeSilva, Kapila*	87	Superina, Dean*	140	McAndrew, Bob*	193	Burton, Daniel
35	Dhandapani, Khadhir*	88	Parker, Graham*	141	George, Cherian*	194	Kotak, Kamlesh
36	Gale, Andrew*	89	Mooney, Peter	142	Baxter, Brett*	195	Banodkar, Mahesh
37	Gandevia, Robin*	90	Chambiras, Paul	143	Conway, Michael	196	Baker, Andrew
38	Goodman, David	91	Coleman, Paul*	144	Singham, Mano	197	Damodaran, Rajesh
39	Iyer, Malli*	92	Treloar, Ben*	145	Clements, Stephen	198	Dunn, Michael
40	Johnston, Patrick*	93	Gupte, Vinayak*	146	Bergman, Tony	199	Chegwidden, Les
41	Moore, John*	94	Kingsford-Smith, Tony*	147	Clover, Stewart*	200	Syed, Mirwais
42	Richards, George ^{LM}	95	Nyers, Peter*	148	Vella, Aaron	201	Lees, Craig
43	Rush, Gary*	96	Charlesworth, Adrian*	149	Brown, Robert*	202	Pardesi, Brijesh
44	Rutherford, Neil*	97	Goodger, Darren	150	Hameed, Asad*	203	Finnemore, Clay
45	Shellens, Jim	98	Watson, Arthur	151	Bell, Grahame		
46	Whitehouse, Bruce	99	Campbell, Neil	152	De Costa, Kaysee		
47	Younan, Daniel*	100	Stillier, Wesley	153	Davies, Keith		
48	Byrne, Laurie*	101	Smellie, Patrick	154	Martin, Dean*		
49	Christen, Richard	102	Moody, Andrew*	155	Chakraborty, Bidhan		
50	Garlick, Peter*	103	Tunks, Greg*	156	Saha, Subrata*		
51	Green, Alan*	104	Parker, Trevor	157	Debnath, Neil*		
52	Harrison, Spencer	105	Hood, Philip*	158	McCarty, David*		
53	Knowles, Warren*	106	Dowling, Jason*	159	Jaensch, Ron*		

^{LM} Life member

* No longer a member

** Has joined and resigned from the Association more than once

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

UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

THE PETER TURNER AWARD

Anthony Raymond	2014-2015
Stephen Blomfield	2013-2014
Stephen Blomfield	2012-2013
Darren Goodger	2011-2012
Brett Tribolet	2010-2011
Peter Mooney	2009-2010
Chris Taylor	2008-2009
Bruce Whitehouse	2007-2008
Chris Taylor	2006-2007
Chris Taylor	2005-2006
Stephen Blomfield	2004-2005
John Moore	2003-2004
Bruce Parfett	2002-2003
Bruce Parfett	2001-2002

Anthony Raymond is the winner of the Shires Umpire of the Year award for season 2014/15. Anthony in only his second season with the Association has won this award narrowly with another three members finishing closely behind him. Anthony's captain's marks tallied up to an average score of 83.8 out of 100 with the overall Association average mark being 73.4 out of 100

Anthony's excellent performances on the field were acknowledged by the Executive Committee with Anthony receiving appointments to the Shires First Grade Grand Final with Stephen Blomfield as well as making it through to the Frank Gray Shield Semi Final.

Anthony received positive feedback from most captains during the season as well as getting complimentary feedback from those umpires that stood with him.

With a First Grade Grand Final under his belt Anthony has the capacity to become one of the leading umpires in the Association for many seasons to come. Congratulations Anthony on a fantastic season.



Anthony Raymond standing in this season's rematch of the 2013-14 First Grade Grand Final—Warringah v Burwood



MOST IMPROVED UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

Ivan Holland	2014-2015
Stephen Clements	2013-2014
Kim Hunter	2012-2013
Rupert Mathews	2011-2012
Ian Bowman	2010-2011
Greg Tunks	2009-2010
David Goodman	2008-2009
Richard Christen	2007-2008
Trevor Schokman	2006-2007
Chris Kearney	2005-2006
Geoff Taylor	2004-2005

Ivan Holland is the winner of the 2014/15 Most Improved Umpire of the Year.

Ivan is one of the SSCUA founding members joining up during the Association's inaugural season of 2001/02. Late in season 2014/15 he passed the milestone of 250 career Shires matches and then ended up the season on 256 matches therefore taking over second place in the number of career matches list

Ivan spent the season mainly in Second Grade and had a much improved summer in respect of his captain's marks. Overall Ivan's marks this season were 21.1% higher than the previous season and his improvement percentage was a long way ahead of the person who ran second for this award who had an improvement percentage of just 6.92%

Ivan received an appointment to a 4th Grade Qualifying Final and is a highly valued member of the Association.

Congratulations Ivan.



ROOKIE UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

Daniel Burton	2014-2015
Anthony Raymond	2013-2014
Glen Stubbings	2012-2013
Ian Tabrett	2011-2012
Aaron Vella	2010-2011
Scott Calvert	2009-2010

Daniel Burton is the winner of the 2014/15 Rookie Umpire of the Year.

Daniel came to the Association following his retirement as a player from Auburn Shires Cricket Club the season before. Daniel had a long career at Auburn and brings to umpiring a wealth of recent playing experience where he knows many of the players within the competition. Daniel, in his debut summer, has had an excellent rookie season impressing many of the umpires he stood with as well as receiving high marks from the majority of team captains in the competition.

Starting in Second Grade, Daniel stood in a total of five matches in Second's before feedback received on his performances as well as outstanding captains' marks cried out for a promotion to First Grade starting in Round 6. Once in First Grade, Daniel's ability started to shine even brighter, and it was obvious that the Association had a member that was going places.

Strong captains' marks through to the end of the preliminary rounds saw the Finals Series selection committee choosing Daniel in First Grade for both the Qualifying Final and the Semi Final. His season then peaked with an appointment to the Second Grade Grand Final. This is the highest appointment ever awarded to a rookie umpire. It also shows that the selection committee was prepared to choose umpires for Grand Finals based on form regardless of how many games a member may have on their CV

If his good form continues, next season should see Daniel cement his place as one of the leading umpires in our Association. Well done Daniel on a terrific rookie season with the SSCUA.



NEW SOUTH WALES CRICKET UMPIRES & SCORERS ASSOCIATION



Darren Goodger
Executive Officer
NSWCUSA

NSWCUSA is proud to have Sydney Shires Cricket Umpires Association as an affiliate.

The SSCUA provides excellent service to its members and to the Sydney Cricket Association Shires Competitions.

This is primarily due to the efforts of Secretary Stephen Blomfield who liaised closely with Troy Penman and Jay Lenton with regard to umpire appointments to ensure a successful season. To have two umpires appointed to every match in the Grade and Shires competitions in season 2014-15 is an outstanding achievement with full credit going to Stephen, Troy and Jay for making this dream a reality. The efforts of the NSWCUSA training team is also acknowledged and appreciated.

Stephen is totally committed to his volunteer role and to improving service to members. Stephen is sincerely thanked for another season of efficient administration and for his support of NSWCUSA. His efforts are appreciated. It was pleasing to Stephen honoured with the Ted Wykes Medal at the NSWCUSA Annual Dinner and Awards Presentation – a truly deserving recipient.

The thanks of NSWCUSA are also offered to President Mark Hughes who has lead the SSCUA with strength and integrity.

The congratulations of NSWCUSA are offered to all SSCUA members who officiated in finals series matches in the Shires Competitions and Frank Gray Shield. Anthony Raymond is acknowledged and congratulated – what a season standing in the 1st Grade Shires Grand Final for the first time and being crowned Shires Umpire of the Year.

In the Grade competition this season Manly-Warringah set the standard winning the Club Championship, Belvidere Cup and Mitchell Cup. Manly-Warringah's Ahillen Beadle won the O'Reilly Medal being crowned the 1st Grade Player of the Year while Hurstville Oval won the coveted Ground of the Year.

The Grade Grand Finals were umpired by NSWCUSA members as follows:

1st Grade–Manly-Warringah v Bankstown at North Sydney Oval. Umpires Greg Davidson & Anthony Wilds. Premiers–Manly-Warringah

2nd Grade–Sydney University v Manly-Warringah at University 1 Umpires Darren Goodger & Anthony Hobson. Premiers–Sydney University

3rd Grade–Manly-Warringah v Eastern Suburbs at Manly Oval. Umpires Keiran Knight & Muhammad Qureshi. Premiers–Manly-Warringah

4th Grade–Sydney v Penrith at Drummoyne Oval. Umpires David Taylor & Ben Treloar. Premiers–Penrith

5th Grade–Northern District v Manly-Warringah at Mark Taylor Oval. Umpires Gary Crombie & Glen Stubbings. Premiers–Northern District

The premiers in each grade being:

Manly-Warringah–1st Grade
Sydney University–2nd Grade
Manly-Warringah–3rd Grade
Penrith–4th Grade
Northern District–5th Grade

Details of other Grand Finals in the Grade Competition were:

1st Grade Limited Overs Competition
Bankstown v Manly-Warringah at Glenn McGrath Oval. Umpires Greg Davidson & Anthony Wilds. Premiers–Bankstown

Twenty20 Cup–Sydney University v St George at Sydney Cricket Ground. Umpires Simon Lightbody & Ben Treloar. Premiers–St George

Poidevin Gray Shield–Sutherland v Northern District at Glenn McGrath Oval. Umpires Darren Goodger & Anthony Hobson. Premiers–Sutherland

AW Green Shield–Bankstown v Sydney University at Bankstown Oval. Umpires Berend du Plessis & Glen Stubbings. Premiers–Bankstown



NSWCUSA members were involved at representative level on various umpire panels:

ICC Elite Umpire Panel—Rodney Tucker.

Highlight - appointment to umpire the ICC Cricket World Cup Semi Final between New Zealand and South Africa in Auckland.

ICC International Umpire Panel

—Paul Wilson. Highlight - One Day International debut as an umpire standing in the match at Townsville between Hong Kong and Papua New Guinea on 8 November 2015.

Cricket Australia National Umpire Panel

—Gerard Abood. Highlight - standing in seven first class matches this season, including two in the Sunfoil Series in South Africa.

Cricket Australia National Umpire Panel

—Greg Davidson. Highlight - being elevated to the NUP for season 2014-15 and standing in four Sheffield Shield matches and a T20 Tour International between a Cricket Australia XI and the South Africans.

Cricket Australia Emerging Umpire Panel

—Anthony Wilds. Highlight - First Class debut as an umpire standing in the Sheffield Shield match at No. 1 Sportsground in Newcastle between New South Wales and Western Australia.

Cricket Australia Project Panel

—Claire Polosak. Highlight - umpiring the Final of the U18 Female National Championships in Ballarat between Victoria and New South Wales at Ballarat.

Other umpires involved in the Cricket Australia umpiring pathway from NSWCUSA include:

Simon Lightbody who was appointed to: A Futures League match between New South Wales and ACT at Rosedale. The U19 National Championships in Adelaide. Australia v England U19 Four Day Match at the WACA Ground.

Anthony Hobson who was appointed to: The U17 National Championships in Hobart. Two WT20 matches.

Muhammad Qureshi who was appointed to: The U17 National Championships in Hobart. One WNCL match.

David Taylor who was appointed to:

A Futures League match between New South Wales and ACT at Rosedale. The U19 National Championships in Adelaide.

Ben Treloar who was appointed to:

A Futures League match between South Australia and Queensland in Adelaide. The U19 National Championships in Adelaide.

SSCUA members can be proud of President Mark Hughes who was appointed by Cricket Australia to umpire a WNCL match at BISP1 between New South Wales and Western Australia. Mark was also appointed to umpire the Final of the U15 Female National Championships at Raby 1 in which New South Wales defeated Queensland. It is pleasing to see Mark's ability, commitment and positive attitude rewarded with appointment to umpire matches in the national umpiring pathway. We look forward to Mark receiving further opportunities in 2015-16.

It was a busy season for the NSWCUSA representative umpires and wonderful to see our members receiving due recognition from the International Cricket Council and Cricket Australia.

The road to the top of the umpiring funnel is a long journey, those who reach the summit have displayed dedication to self-improvement, hard work and an excellent attitude in all respects. Patience for aspiring umpires is so important, very few get the chance to perform at the professional level of the game, so it is important to maximise any opportunity that presents itself along the pathway.

Joyce Meyer wrote that patience is not the ability to wait, but the ability to keep a good attitude while waiting – how true this is for aspiring and emerging cricket umpires.

Patience involves productive activity. It means doing your very best with the resources available to you, while understanding that the results you seek are worth the required time and effort, and not available elsewhere for any less time and effort.

In other words, patience is the ability to keep a good attitude while working hard on the activities and goals that bring you happiness.

Our scorer members continued to receive opportunities at representative level with the Australia v India Test Match at the SCG scored by Christine Bennison and Adam Morehouse, both of whom went on to score all five ICC Cricket World Cup matches played at the SCG.

Other scorers to officiate at the First Class level in season 2014-15 were Toni Lorraine, Darren Mattison, Robyn Sanday, Kay Wilcoxon and Ian Wright.

Kay Wilcoxon and Sue Woodhouse were the scorers for the WNCL Final at BISP1 in which New South Wales defeated South Australia.

Scorers are valued members of the playing control team at all levels of the game and their contribution is recognised by NSWCUSA.

The NSWCUSA Annual Dinner was attended by 170 members and guests at Bankstown Sports Club on Saturday 18 April 2015. We were pleased to have all three patrons in Brian Booth, Alan Davidson and Dick French able to attend. Trent Copeland was a polished MC and Greg Matthews provided excellent entertainment. Thank you to those SSCUA members who supported NSWCUSA by attending this function. We certainly hope you enjoyed the evening.

The winner of the George Borwick Memorial Award was Anthony Hobson while the prestigious 1st Grade Umpire of the Year Award was taken out by Anthony Wilds who performed consistently well throughout the season.

Merilyn Fowler, a former International Scorer, a member of NSWCUSA since 1997, now a Principal Member and current Chair of the Scorers Committee was honoured by being inducted as the 12th member of the NSWCUSA Hall of Fame on the recommendation of a sub-committee comprising Graham Chudleigh, Dick French and NSWCUSA Board Chair, Geoff Garland.

I offer a vote of thanks to all SSCUA members for your commitment to umpiring in SCA competitions. It is appreciated by the players, clubs, SCA and NSWCUSA. In wishing you all well for the 2015-16 season I encourage every umpire to keep working to improve your skills and knowledge, to prepare as well as you can for every day's

play, make the most of the experience in your association to help benefit your umpiring and, above all, be yourself and enjoy your cricket in the middle from the best seat in the house.

The will to succeed is important, but what's more important is the will to prepare—Bobby Knight

I wish to sincerely thank the administration staff of NSWCUSA – Troy Penman and Jay Lenton. They are outstanding young men and highly efficient administrators. Both do a superb job for NSWCUSA. They serve our membership to the highest standard and are valued and respected members of staff at the New South Wales Cricket Association.

In closing I wish to share a piece sent to me by a friend during the season with regards to mental strength.

Six things mentally strong people do:

They move on. They don't waste time feeling sorry for themselves.

They embrace change.

They welcome challenges.

They stay happy. They don't waste energy on things they can't control.

They are kind, fair and unafraid to speak up.

They are willing to take calculated risks.

They celebrate other people's successes. They don't resent that success.

Season 2015-16 will be here before we know it. The Annual General Meeting of NSWCUSA will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 1 July 2015 at Bowlers' Club of NSW. You are all welcome to attend—hope to see you there.

SYDNEY SHIRES COMPETITION SUB-COMMITTEE



Glenn Workman, Chairman
Shires Competition Sub-Committee
2014/15 Season.

I write today to bring the best wishes of the Shires Competition Sub Committee for season 2014/15.

With the ever increasing numbers from both within your Association and the ranks of the Grade Panels, SSCUA has managed to achieve one of its ultimate goals—100% umpire coverage in all fixtures from First Grade to Fourth Grade on Saturdays as well as Frank Gray Shield on Sundays. Congratulations to all persons within your Association on this momentous achievement!

This feat has made a true improvement to Shires Cricket generally, with increased levels of enjoyment on and off the field experienced by all participants—players, club officials and no doubt all of your members. Many years of hard work in recruitment, education and strategy have finally paid off for the competition as well as your own Association.

The mentoring and education structures for your Association in recent seasons have been a great success. Learning and improvement have been evident, with umpires from the upper echelon of the Grade Panels, sharing their experience and knowledge with members within your Association. Shire Umpires are also in great demand in Grade Cricket, due to these structures and processes.

It is also a positive that current players are seeing their recently 'retired' contemporaries umpiring, particularly in the top two grades. This will surely see more retired players decide to take the decision to join your ranks after their playing days have come to an end. This is a very positive thing for the future development of the SSCUA. I also applaud the many opportunities offered to members to officiate in the various Sunday competitions whether it be Frank Gray Shield, Masters and Classics, or in some cases members seeking appointments for the Grade competition's AW Green Shield.

The Shires Competition Sub Committee gives thanks to the Executive of your Association for their tireless efforts in administering your vibrant Association. Shires Cricket as a whole, faces many challenges in the near future and with such a strong Umpires Association, many of these will be easily overcome.

Congratulations to all SSCUA members who took to the field in season 2014/15. The Shires Competition is richer for the amount of generous time you all volunteer each weekend to make Shires Cricket the success that it is today. Your continued contribution in season 2015/16 will, as always, be greatly appreciated by the clubs and the players. I look forward to seeing you all around the grounds next season as you celebrate your 15th anniversary as an Association.



Geoff Taylor ensures correctness of stumps prior to the Frank Gray Grand Final



Anthony Raymond, Stephen Blomfield check the books during a Frank Gray semi-final



Gerard Riley during a First Grade match in Round 13



Rupert Mathews at Rothwell Oval, Round 3 of the Frank Gray



Tony Bergman and Pink Stumps Day at Weldon Oval



Gerard Riley and Ian Tabrett check the books during Round 4 First Grade at Northern Oval



Peter Mooney, Rupert Mathews deep in paperwork during a Frank Gray Qualifying Final



MILESTONES

Gerard Riley
50 games



Kim Hunter
50 games



Mano Singam
50 games



Pete Frend
250 games



Trevor Schokman
150 games



Trevor Parker
100 games



Stephen Clements
50 games



Rupert Mathews
150 games



Derek Ponsford
10 year membership



Mirwais Syed
Cap number 200



Daniel Burton
Cap number 193



Michael Conway
5 year membership



PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Mark Hughes
President
Sydney Shires Cricket
Umpires Association
2013-Current

The Sydney Shires Cricket Umpires Association has much to be proud of after season 2014/15.

For the first time in our history, every match in every grade in Shires Cricket had two umpires appointed and present at each game. This was achieved due to a number of factors, including strong availability and commitment from our members, as well as the support from our parent body, NSWCUSA which supplied the remainder of matches with appointments to Shires cricket.

When I first started playing Shires cricket in the early 1990's it was not uncommon for players to be umpiring their matches in 2nd grade, let alone having 'penguins' in a 4th grade match.

I want to thank each and every member for their commitment, however large or small in umpiring in Shires cricket in 2014/15, as well as Darren, Troy and Jay at NSWCUSA along with the trainers, educators and grade panel umpires who made this all possible.

Our relationship with NSWCUSA and strong support of Darren Goodger to Shires cricket continues to benefit our membership and should not be underestimated. Darren recommends a number of new umpires each season to our Association, and offers us the opportunity to stand with experienced grade panel umpires when we ask for support.

This partnership improves the skills of our membership who gain from the experience provided by those who umpire with us and our ranks could not be healthier than at present with a growing depth of quality umpires in our ranks. In turn, we have seen a number of umpires who have cut their teeth in Shires to go on and advance their umpiring careers at SCA Grade cricket and beyond.

I congratulate our honorary secretary, Stephen Blomfield on his achievement in being awarded the E.F.Wykes OAM Association Medal at the end of season awards night for NSWCUSA, held at Bankstown Sports Club in April. Stephen is a deserved winner of this award, being recognised for his outstanding commitment and contribution to Shires Cricket.

We all know how much time and effort Stephen goes to making our lives as umpires in Shires that much better, and it was fitting that we had a table of members on hand to witness and celebrate Stephen's success.

Thanks to our Executive Committee who have met diligently over the course of the season, selflessly giving of their time to make our association the best it can be and taking into account the needs of our membership first and foremost. It has made my job as President that much easier having such a great group of men to work with.

I would also like to thank Ian Bowman for his efforts in the publication of this annual report. Ian puts his personal time and effort into compiling an excellent report for our benefit and has done so for a number of years, making our annual report one that we can be proud of.

Congratulations to all of our members who experienced finals, grand finals and milestones in 2014/15. I wish you an enjoyable off-season, and look forward to next year when we will celebrate our 15th anniversary as our Association goes from strength to strength.

SECRETARY'S REPORT



Stephen Blomfield,
Honorary Secretary
July 2001 - Current

It is with much pleasure that I present this, my fourteenth Secretary's Report, for the Sydney Shires Cricket Umpires Association—Season 2014/15.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

Clearly the most important moment in this Association's fourteen year history has occurred during this 2014/15 cricket season. This sees me reporting to the membership with great pride that every single Shires game in every single grade during this 2014/15 season has received two umpires appointed to it. One Hundred Percent umpire coverage—all season, every game, every grade. What an amazing achievement. This has never before happened in the 92 year history of the Sydney Shires Cricket Competition.

Never in my wildest dreams did I envisage that we would ever achieve this goal. When I took on the role of SSCUA Secretary in 2001 we were lucky to have enough members to appoint umpires to Shires First Grade. Umpire coverage in Second Grade was rarely better than 50%. Third and Fourth Grade miraculously seemed to survive with the players umpiring their own games.

We have come a long, long way since those days and I am very proud of the fact that all players in the SCA competitions now have the privilege of umpires overseeing their matches every weekend. No more of the bad old days with players umpiring themselves with on field arguments regularly occurring over what many would often say was deliberately dubious decision making. No longer can a player (as happened to me) be dropped for giving his captain out LBW !!

In celebrating this event, I need to acknowledge and commend to you the outstanding work of Darren Goodger, Troy Penman and Jay Lenton in the umpires department at Cricket NSW. These outstanding people have worked closely with me over the last few seasons to put out umpire appointments week in week out. They have acknowledged the importance of having umpires in all SCA games of cricket, and have acted significantly beyond their role of fulfilling umpires solely for the Grade competition. They have worked above and beyond my expectations to ensure that there were enough available umpires on the books to supply officials not just to the Grade competition, but

also to ensure adequate surplus to place those not appointed to Grade Cricket into the gaps that needed to be filled in the Shires competition. The SSCUA is highly appreciative of the fact that around 29% of umpire appointments in the Shires competition this season have come from umpires who nominated Sydney Grade Cricket as their preferred place to umpire. The fact that there was enough surplus umpires on the books to offer that 29% extra coverage is a strong testimony to the amazing work that Darren, Troy and Jay have done to build up available umpire numbers for Sydney Cricket. Without these gents passion and commitment to this issue the concept of 100% umpire coverage in Shires Cricket would simply be a 'pipe dream'. Thank You Darren. Thank You Troy. Thank You Jay. We couldn't have done it without you.

My sincere thanks are also extended to all SSCUA members this season for your commitment to stand in the Shires competition week in and week out – without your commitment for the game this amazing achievement would never ever come close to being the reality it has turned out to be.

So my overriding message for this year's annual report is quite simply put ... "MISSION ACCOMPLISHED"—Let it continue for every future season ahead.

THE SSCUA 13th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 14th season of the SSCUA began with the holding of the 13th Annual General Meeting on Wednesday night 23 July 2014 at Club Redfern. A record attendance of 40 members (from an overall membership of 85) attended this Annual General Meeting. Guests on the night were NSWCUA Board Chairman Geoff Garland and Glenn Workman, the Chairman of the Shires Competition Sub Committee.

Mark Hughes (President) and Stephen Blomfield (Secretary) were re-elected unopposed for their 2nd and 14th terms respectively, and Trevor Schokman was elected to the Treasurer's role filling the gap left by Michael Wheeler who resigned his



membership for the 2014/15 season. Paul Clift was elected unopposed as the Vice President with Ken Buckland retaining his place on the Executive committee. Vacant positions on the Executive committee were filled by Aaron Vella and Glen Hanshaw without the requirement of a ballot.

MASTERS AND CLASSICS CRICKET

Season three of our involvement with the Masters and Classics Competitions was once again a positive experience for our members.

Prior to season start I was able to have approved an increase from the Masters/Classics committee that saw the umpire match fee increase from \$132 to \$140 per day. This fee will likely be in place for a two season period before being reviewed again for season 2016/17.

The Masters/Classics committee were also quite generous in increasing the annual levy that is paid to us to cover our administration costs. Previously \$40 a season, the increase to \$50 per team saw us claim \$1700 in revenue from the 20 Masters and 14 Classics sides that entered the competition in season 2014/15. The figure of \$1700 was an increase of \$420 from the previous season administration levy which raised \$1280.

Now in our third season dealing with this competition, I found that the clubs are now more in tune with what is expected from them in regards to keeping umpires in the loop about last minute venue changes and advising our members if a game has been washed out. A significant reduction was noticed in the number of "stuff ups" compared to previous seasons – in fact I was only aware of three instances where umpires were not communicated about a change of match circumstances. This is a vast improvement on the last two seasons. Still however there is room for improvement.

Congratulations to Tony Bergman who at the end of the season had the highest captains mark assessment for 2014/15 in the Masters and Classics competitions (based on a minimum participation of five matches). Tony ended the season with an average of 84.7 out of 100. Overall there

were 289 assessments during the season with an overall Association average of 79.4 out of 100. Captain's marks are available on request.

In regards to umpire appointments to this competition we were very close to supplying umpires exclusively from our own members. In all, a total of four appointments were made to umpires who were not members of our Association. Additionally there were three matches during the season where I was unable to appoint any umpire to a game due to lack of numbers or where an umpire disappointingly pulled out late on the Sunday morning. In summary, we managed to appoint an SSCUA member to a total of 176 out of the possible 183 appointments that were available over the 11 rounds in both the Masters (over 40's) and Classics (over 50's) competitions. My thanks to every one of the 30 members that chose to participate in the Masters and Classics competitions during the season. I commend you all for your commitment to allowing our more mature cricketers to enjoy a game without the aggravation (for them) of having to umpire the game themselves. I encourage more members to get involved in Masters Cricket next season. It's a very worthwhile and rewarding experience.

MEMBERSHIP

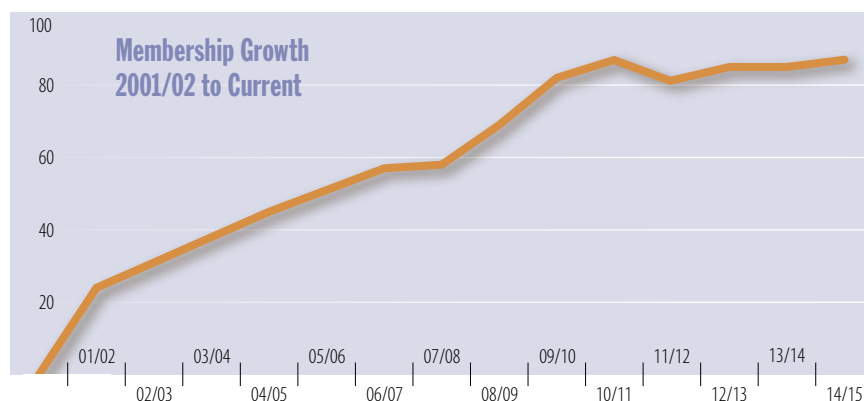
As at 29 March 2015 which represents the last playing date of the 2014/15 cricket season, we had taken on board a total of thirteen (13) new members this season. The total membership count at this time registered 87, which is an increase of two from the same date twelve months earlier.

The current membership of 87 equals the highest membership count in the Associations history with 87 also being the number of registered members back in season 2010/11. Of the thirteen new members to join us in season 2014/15, twelve were new applications with one being an ex member deciding to re-join us. In the losses column a total of eleven members left us with three of these allowing their memberships to lapse and another eight choosing to resign prior to the 31 August 2014 deadline to pay ones annual membership fee.

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

Of our current 87 members as at 29 March 2015, a total of 33 members managed to umpire in 10 matches or more in the main Saturday competition during the Preliminary Rounds. This compared to a figure of 30 last season. The increase is pleasing and shows that our members are becoming more committed to umpiring more often. This is a statistic that I would love to increase so I would welcome more of our part time members trying to make themselves available more often where possible.

Of our current 87 members, 12 were inactive from umpiring in SCA controlled matches this season, a decrease of two compared to season 2013/14. Of the remaining 75 members who did partake in SCA controlled matches, 44 devoted full time umpiring to Shires Cricket on Saturdays, a major increase compared to 36 the season before. A further 15 umpired between one and six Shires matches during the season (these classified





as part time members), and the remaining 16 devoted themselves as full time umpires in Sydney Grade Cricket. On the topic of Grade Cricket, we congratulate Berend Du Plessis who received his debut appointment in 1st Grade during the final round of the Grade cricket season.

CONGRATULATIONS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Congratulations are extended to the premierships sides this season, the clubs that won major awards, as well as the SSCUA members appointed to officiate in Grand Finals this season:

First Grade Premiers - Burwood

Stephen Blomfield & Anthony Raymond

Second Grade Premiers - Warringah

Daniel Burton & Geoff Taylor

Third Grade Premiers - Strathfield

Gerard Riley & Ian Tabrett

Fourth Grade Premiers - Burwood

Rupert Mathews & Geoff Wheeler

Frank Gray Shield Premiers

- Georges River

Stephen Blomfield & Geoff Taylor

Spirit of Cricket Award - Warringah

Ground of the Year - Bexley Oval

(Georges River CC)

The Burwood Club won the Dave Tribolet Club Championship Trophy for the third season in succession finishing on a total of 1,574 points. The Georges River Club fought hard all season and at times were in front of Burwood but by the end of the last round slipped back into second place finishing on

a total of 1,485 points. Warringah finished third followed by North West Sydney in fourth position.

While on the topic of the Dave Tribolet Club Championship trophy it would be remiss of me to not acknowledge the sad passing of Dave, aged 77 on 29 April 2015. Dave was well known to many of our members and was a great supporter of this Association. To Brett Tribolet, who of course is one of our members and son of Dave, and to Dave's wife Ros, we offer the condolences of this Association. Dave gave 60 years of his life to Sydney and Shires Cricket and he will be sorely missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Appointments for Grand Finals this season were once again hotly contested with a lot of good members deserving of a Grand Final missing out on the final weekend of the season. Special mention to Daniel Burton who in his debut season was rated so highly that he received an appointment to the Shires Second Grade Grand Final. This appointment was good for Shires cricket as it showed the selection committee was happy to appoint umpires based on merit which is all the players could ask of us. Anthony Raymond is to be congratulated on his appointment to his debut First Grade Grand Final only in his second season. Anthony has quickly become one of the most respected umpires in the competition and his years of playing First Grade Shires before taking up umpiring has certainly helped him to become the umpire he is today. If he keeps up his current form many

more First Grade Grand Final appointments are possible for Anthony. Geoff Taylor also deserves special mention climbing back from not being considered for a Grand Final in 2013/14 to find himself being selected for the Second Grade Grand Final as well as picking up one of the appointments in the Frank Gray Shield decider. Well done Geoff, you had a pretty good season. The Executive Committee is hopeful that more members will be pushing hard next season to umpire on the last weekend of the summer. There is nothing better than finals series cricket.

AWARDS & MILESTONES

The winner of the three major awards for season 2014/15 were Anthony Raymond who won the Umpire of the Year Award, Ivan Holland who won the Most Improved Umpire of the Year Award, and Daniel Burton who took out the Rookie Umpire of the Year Award. Both the Umpire of the Year and Most Improved Umpire awards were very close run races whilst the rookie award was won by Daniel by quite a margin. A full report on each member and the award they won is detailed more towards the front section of this Annual Report document (See Page 4 and 5)

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. Congratulations are extended to the all of the below listed members on reaching these achievements –



350 Games - Stephen Blomfield

250 Games - Ivan Holland

100 Games - Tony Bergman, Michael Roberts, Derek Ponsford, Ian Tabrett, Patrick Smellie

50 Games - Michael Conway, Andrew Steindler

Special congratulations to members Daniel Burton, Rick Crocono, Rajesh Damadoran, Wayne Moore and Andrew Steindler. During the course of the season these five members were rewarded for their hard work and good umpiring being allocated to their debut matches in Shires First Grade.

Each was presented with a gold medallion commemorating that event at members meetings during the season just completed. Well done guys, you are the future of our First Grade panel of umpires.

Special mention to Ivan Holland who moved into second place this season in the total number of career Shires matches umpired. Ivan finished the season on 256 career games and has now gone past Peter Friend (254) and Jim Shellens (255). Ivan has been a loyal and dedicated SSCUA member going right back to this Association's debut season in 2001/02. Well done Ivan on taking second spot on the Association's order of merit list.

UMPIRE ASSESSMENTS

The fifth season of the online umpire assessment facility provided via the 'My Cricket' website once again gave the Association a quick and easy method to track the progress of our members (according to the captains).

An overview of all captains marks received when the Executive Committee sat down on March 8 to select finals series umpires revealed that the ranking of our members by the captains was reasonably close to where the committee was ranking the membership without the use of the captains marks.

This just goes to show that once a member has been assessed a reasonable number of times by the captains then the overall results are acceptably accurate. This without a doubt gives us a great indication as to who our better performing umpires are.

Of the reports received this season, a total of 1770 umpire assessments were captured in the 'My Cricket' system with the average mark coming in at 73.4 out of 100. Ironically, this is exactly the same average mark that was recorded in the previous season.

The non movement of the overall umpire average mark shows a great sign of consistency from our members as well as all of our colleagues from Grade Cricket who generously stood in Shires Cricket during the course of the season to bolster our numbers – the end goal being that they assisted us to ensure the magnificent achievement of 100% umpire coverage to every Shires match played during the season. The goal now for our members is to try and improve on the 73.4 average mark in the upcoming season.

PLAYER BEHAVIOUR / CODE OF CONDUCT

In total, there were 17 Code of Conduct Reports in Shires cricket this season. This is a reduction from last season's all time record of 25 reports. As well as the 17 reports in Shires Cricket there was also an additional 20 reports in Grade Cricket bringing the total number of reports in SCA Cricket to 37. Overall between the two competitions there were 16 less reports compared to season 2013/14 which is a good sign for the competition in general. The message from the SCA that was received early in the season that asked for umpires to be more vigilant with very loud audible obscenities also had an impact with a number of

players being charged with such offenses during the season. The Executive thanks all members who went to the effort to report Code of Conduct breaches – your support of the Code is vital to ensure that our competition is played in a manner that upholds the ideals of the Spirit of Cricket.

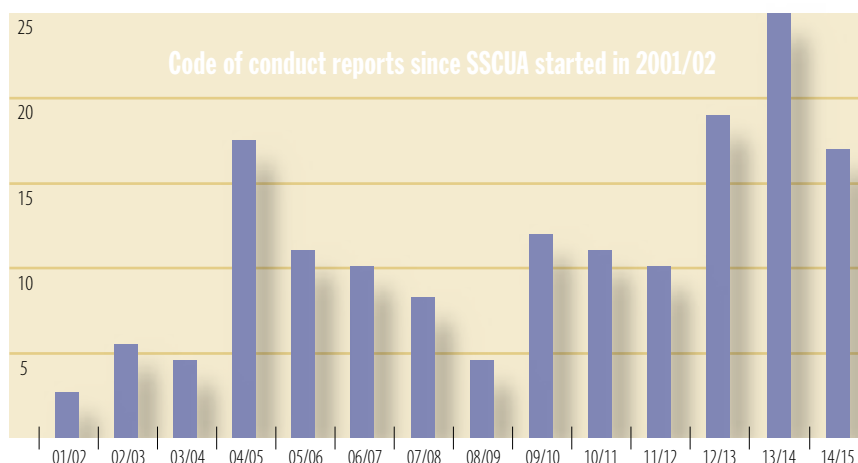
SEASON ANALYSIS

I have already discussed previously in this report the fact that we achieved 100% umpire coverage in all grades this season for the first time in the history of the competition dating back to the start of the Shires competition in 1923. This almost makes this section of my report redundant. Despite the 100% coverage there are a few interesting points to report on.

Members of this Association covered 71% of appointments during the 13 preliminary rounds of the season. The remaining 29% was covered by fellow members of the NSWCUA who chose Grade cricket as their preferred competition to umpire in.

The 29% coverage is also summarised in the table over the page. This table shows the statistics of how many surplus Grade Umpires stood in a day of cricket in the Shires Competition during 2014/15 as opposed to the previous 13 seasons.

This season's number of 334 is slightly less than last season which is explained by the fact that Shires only played 13 rounds this season as opposed to 14 rounds in 2013/14. The reduced figure is also explained by the fact that a slightly higher number of appointments this season were filled by our



own members requiring a smaller number of participants from the Grade umpire panels.

I once again thank Darren Goodger, Troy Penman and Jay Lenton for the support given to allow us to have so many members from the Grade Panel participate in the Shires Competition.

Surplus Grade Umpire Appointments Allocated to Shires Preliminary Round Matches Each Season

2001/02	57	2002/03	28
2003/04	35	2004/05	101
2005/06	46	2006/07	5
2007/08	45	2008/09	11
2009/10	134	2010/11	23
2011/12	71	2012/13	89
2013/14	375	2014/15	334

Each statistic in the above table represents one day of cricket umpired by a Grade umpire in the Shires Competition. If a Grade umpire officiated both days of a 2-Day game then this counts as 2 in the above statistics.

SOCIAL GATHERINGS

NSWCUSA conducted its Annual Dinner on Saturday night April 18 at Bankstown Sports Club. The SSCUA once again put together a table for this event with attendees being Stephen Blomfield, Ian Bowman, Ken Buckland, Rick Crocono, Mark Hughes, Anthony Raymond, Trevor Schokman, Aaron Vella and Geoff Wheeler.

Other SSCUA members in attendance spread around the room being Grahame Bell, Bidhan Chakraborty, Cameron Duff, Berend Du Plessis, Darren Goodger, Bill Hendricks, Craig Lees, Rob Maloney, Cameron McGinn, Bob Shield and Bruce Whitehouse. My thanks to all 20 members who attended and supported this function run by our parent Association.

Congratulations to Ken Buckland, Rick Crocono and Geoff Wheeler who were the recipients of a complimentary ticket to the event won via the raffles that were conducted at SSCUA members meetings during the season. The night was a huge

success with guest speaker Greg Mathews keeping the crowd entertained during his speech.

Special mention to members Bob Shield, Geoff Wheeler and Bruce Whitehouse who were all presented with NSWCUSA match milestone certificates on the evening as well as Cameron Duff who won the rookie of the year award in his debut season in Grade cricket. Next year we would like to see more of you attend, it's an outstanding evening that deserves our support.

IN OTHER NEWS...

The big news of the season was the introduction of the "Plan B" field shirts which saw every member supplied two free field shirts via the sponsorship arrangement that Cricket NSW organised through the NSW Roads and Transport Authority.

This sponsorship arrangement is slated for two seasons and will continue until the end of the 2015/16 season. Our thanks to the staff at Cricket NSW for organising these free field shirts for all members. We also support and embrace the important message the sponsorship brings, and if just one person chooses not to drive while drunk because of the message on our backs then without a doubt that is a great result.

The December meeting was a highlight during the season due to guest speaker Kris Griffith Jones. Kris is an ex player from Parramatta Grade club having spent a significant time in First Grade. Later in his

career he moved across to Shires Cricket where many of our members would remember him being captain of Macquarie Uni First Grade.

However, it is what Kris has done post cricket that brought him to speak to our members in December. As many would know Kris is widely regarded as one of the best football (soccer) referees in the country and is often seen on TV overseeing matches in the National 'A League' competition.

Kris spoke to our members and gave a wonderful insight into what it is like officiating football at the highest level in Australia. Some of his tips on how to manage players was certainly something that was worth listening to as player management is such a big issue for cricket umpires as well. The experience that Kris brought to our meeting on this topic was a very valuable exercise and I feel confident that many of our members took away some positive tips from the discussion.

If any member knows somebody else that would be a worthy guest speaker at any of our meetings I am happy to hear your suggestion. Please contact me at anytime.

Another bright note this season which created significant comment from the membership was the upgrade to our website that now has a picture slide show on the home page.

I want to single out and sincerely thank SSCUA member Stephen Murphy for taking on the task of adding this feature to our webpage. This was by no means an

*Stephen Blomfield
offers his opinion
during a Frank Gray
Semi Final*



easy upgrade. The processes involved for Stephen to do the background work to programme the website to run this slide slow was quite significant. I had originally planned for this to be up and running a season earlier thinking (initially) that it wasn't a big project. More fool me for being so assumptive. Stephen worked on this project off and on for over 12 months before it was ready to launch. The results speak for themselves and we now have in my opinion an "A" rated webpage to go with our first class Annual Reports. Thank You Stephen for your work in hosting our webpage on your own time on your own computer server.

Season 2014/15 saw the publication of the Second Edition of the SSCUA Handbook. The handbook was updated for the members to ensure they always had an up to date guide for the season ahead. It is the wishes of the Executive Committee that this handbook now become an annual project—we feel it's vital that members have as much easy access to information that makes the job of umpiring Shires cricket as easy as possible.



On a disappointing note it was discovered a number of times during the season that some members when confronted with a late start due to weather conditions failed to use the late start tables supplied in the handbook but instead chose to work out calculations manually. On each of the five known occasions where a manual calculation was applied it was found that the calculations applied were incorrect.

Why members would disregard information hand fed to them in the handbook is a mystery to me. No doubt some of our members learned a valuable lesson in this regard during the season.

THANK YOU'S & CONCLUSION

To conclude, I'd like to thank a number of others that contribute to the smooth running of the cricket season.

Thank you to our President Mark Hughes in his second year at the helm. Mark does an outstanding job for the Association and runs an excellent meeting. His support to me during the season when I needed a second opinion was first class and I thank him for his guidance on some more curly issues that we had to overcome during the season.

Trevor Schokman took on the role of Treasurer this season after the resignation of Mike Wheeler. Trevor supplied the Association the right amount of support in keeping the budget in check as well as guiding us to a very sound financial position as at the end of our 2014/15 financial year. Thank you Trevor, for all of your assistance during the season.

To Ken Buckland, Paul Clift, Glen Hanshaw and Aaron Vella who make up the rest of

the management team, I wish to offer my thanks for your support and contributions this season. I feel as a committee we achieved a lot this season and you should all be proud of the fact that you were on committee

to oversee the implementation of 100% umpire coverage in Shires Cricket this season. Well done guys.

Thanks to Stephen Murphy and Ian Bowman who both do work for the Association in the background. As discussed earlier, Stephen hosts the Association website and the addition of that picture slide show this season was quite an achievement. Ian's work in producing our Annual Report is simply outstanding. The quality and attention to detail that Ian provides in this report would put many larger corporate annual reports to shame. Thanks Ian, we truly appreciate your efforts.

Thanks also to the staff at NSWCUA – Darren Goodger, Troy Penman and Jay Lenton. As previously stated at the beginning of my report, these guys deserve our utmost thanks for the support they give us.

The SSCUA would not be able to function properly if not for the support of the NSWCUA – they provide us the vital information and resources to enable us to be the Association that we are.

The achievement of 100% umpire coverage this season should not in any way be understated, and it goes without saying that the Shires competition community as a whole owes much to Darren, Troy and Jay in allowing 100% coverage to occur in "our" competition. Thanks guys...your effort in supporting our Association does not go unnoticed.

A reminder to all members that the Association will be holding its 14th Annual General Meeting on the evening of Wednesday 22 July 2015 at our usual meeting place that being Club Redfern (aka Redfern RSL). Club Manager Anthony Mac Alpine is very generous to our Association as he chooses not charge us a fee to hire the meeting room. To reciprocate that generosity it would be appreciated if you please consider joining the club as a member—it only costs \$5 a year.

I offer my apologies to the membership as I will not be in a position to attend the Annual General Meeting in July as I will be on annual leave overseas following the Aussie's on their Ashes tour of the United Kingdom.

I wish to thank every member for your support and participation during the recently completed season. I wish all members well for the Annual General Meeting and I look forward to celebrating with you all during the summer of 2015/16 as we conduct our 15th Anniversary season. Exciting times lay ahead.

Mission Accomplished.

Geoff Wheeler remakes the wicket during the Fourth Grade Grade Final on Weldon Oval



Stephen Blomfield and Ken Buckland at Bexley Oval for Round 5 of the Frank Gray Shield



Malcolm Ward and Rupert Mathews at Weldon for First Grade's Round 7



Paul Clift and Simon Fairlie at Weldon for Round 1 of the Frank Gray Shield



Tony Bergman at Frank Gray for a Third Grade Qualifying Final



TREASURER'S REPORT



Trevor Schokman
Association Treasurer

The Association financial year ending 30 April 2015 is viewed as showing many of the aspects of the previous year and keeping close to our projected budget.

Accordingly the financial report and balance statement show that we had a challenge to keep the financial situation likened to previous years and on target. There was a slight increase of the Grant from the Sydney Cricket Association.

This season saw the committee's approval to fund the procurement of new merchandise products such as tie bars, bowling markers, embroidered milestone shirts and caps and will increase our stock levels for the future. The decision by Cricket NSW to free-issue umpiring shirts may have contributed to the drop in sale of related merchandise and will have a bearing upon the future sale of merchandise.

If the current trend of increasing membership continues there is a guaranteed income from membership fees for the future.

Our investment with ING is favourable and gave us a modest annual income.

The Association is administering the appointment of umpires for the Masters and Classics cricket competition for the third consecutive year. The levy we receive from each of the clubs in this competition has increased. It should be appreciated that the provision of this secretarial service requires both time and effort to schedule appointments each week. For this reason it should be expected that the honorarium to the Secretary to continue performing this task would increase and consequently available revenue from this service to members will diminish next season.

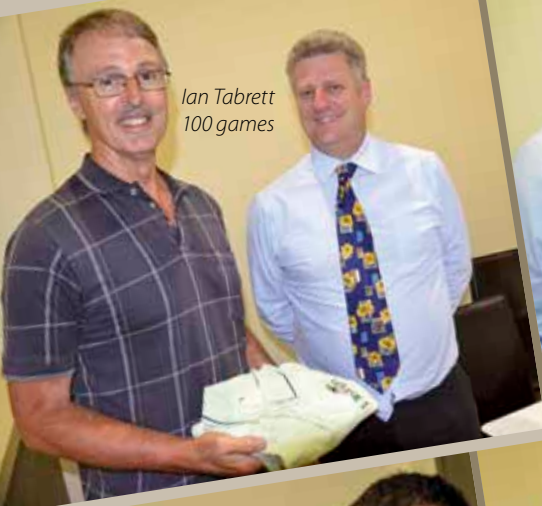
Once again the Association had a good response to the voluntary take-up of Cricket NSW raffle tickets. The commission received from ticket sales is earmarked for the Association's 15th anniversary in season 2015/16. Other items where we gave back to members included the funding of the supply of food, beverages and door prizes at Association meetings.

The committee again approved funding of the high quality glossy presentation of this season's annual report.

The Association managed a healthy balance to be handed over to the next season. This will ensure a continuation of cash flow until the new seasons' receipts of membership fees are in hand.

As in previous years the financial report and balance statement will be supplied to members as a separate insert to the annual report.

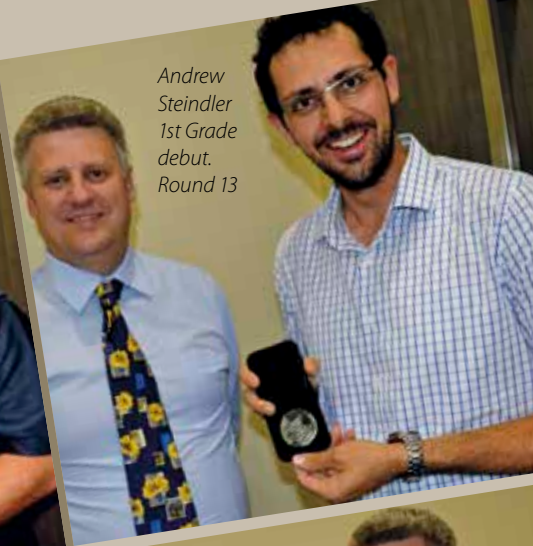
MILESTONES



Ilan Tabrett
100 games



Rick Crocono
1st Grade debut.
Round 11



Andrew Steindler
1st Grade debut.
Round 13



Wayne Moore
1st Grade debut.
Round 10



Michael Conway
50 matches



Tony Bergman
100 matches



Michael Roberts
100 matches



Derek Ponsford
100 matches



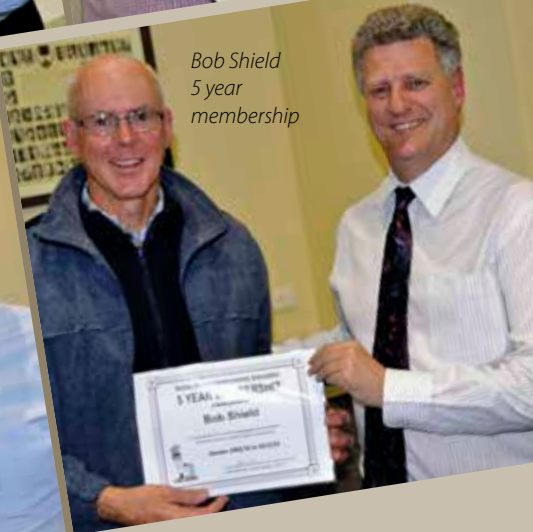
Ivan Holland
250 matches



Stephen Blomfield
350 matches



Andrew Steindler
50 matches



Bob Shield
5 year membership



MENTORING PROGRAMME REPORT

**“This was the seventh year of the mentoring programme where we dedicated specific time and resources into overseeing the experience that our first year rookie umpires had with the SSCUA”.
Stephen Blomfield**

This season we had an increased number of new members compared to last season's total of eight. This season we took in a total of 13 new members, 11 of which were new to SCA umpiring. John Barnes and Craig Lees were the other two “new” members – John rejoining us after a long career in Grade cricket who was looking to umpire some Masters matches, and Craig who currently umpires Grade Cricket but was also looking for some extra opportunities in Masters fixtures.

It was the eleven “rookie” members that the mentor programme focussed on this season and a short summary of those members and how they progressed through their first season with us appears further down in this report.

My thanks are extended to Mark Hughes, Aaron Vella and Ken Buckland who assisted me speaking to our rookie umpires on a regular basis to see if they had any issues that they wanted to discuss. This method of contacting our rookie umpires once a month I feel is one positive way of letting these members know in their debut season that they don't have to fend for themselves.

We once again continued with last season's process which saw lesser experienced umpires receive a written assessment from more experienced members that they were appointed to umpire with. This process was quite productive and gave our new members feedback from most of the games they umpired in. It was acknowledged that this was a far more practical way of assessing how our new umpires were performing rather than relying totally on what is often considered to be unreliable captains assessments.

We intend to continue with the mentoring programme again next season with the assistance of the quality materiel available from the NSWCUA Education and Training Division. Thanks to Darren Goodger for all of his assistance throughout the season past.

Following is a short summary of each of our eleven “rookies” that started umpiring in the Shires Competition during season 2014/15. The Associations thanks each of these members for choosing to umpire in the Shires Competition and we hope all of these members choose to come back for another season in the summer of 2015/16



Andrew Baker

Andrew was one of two new members who came directly into Shires umpiring after having played the previous

season with Auburn Cricket Club, the other being Daniel Burton (see below). Being an ex player in the Shires competition Andrew brought to umpiring a skill set that often gives ex players an advantage over those that take up umpiring having not previously played in the Shires competition. To Andrew's credit, he umpired every round of the season and was keen to learn as much as possible in his debut season. He also quickly found his way into umpiring some Sunday Masters matches on his own which is a big ask for a first season umpire - to all accounts he went pretty well. With Saturday cricket Andrew spent the bulk of the season in Second Grade and will be pushing hard for a First Grade debut fairly early in the upcoming season. Andrew was appointed to a Fourth Grade Qualifying Final as well as a Tim Creer Cup Semi Final. Congratulations Andrew on a good start to your umpiring career



Mahesh Banodkar

Mahesh came to Shires cricket having started his career in Grade cricket the season before, but often finding himself

on the reserve list. It was a wise decision to join up with us as this guaranteed Mahesh a game every round. He was available, and appointed to, 12 of the 13 preliminary rounds during the season umpiring mainly in Third Grade. Mahesh settled in well to Shires cricket but unfortunately was not available to umpire in finals series matches. Next season we hope to see Mahesh back and looking to push for some games in Second Grade.



Daniel Burton

Daniel came into umpiring straight out of playing Shires cricket with the Auburn Club and had an outstanding

season first up impressing everybody with his decision making and man management. After only a handful of games in Second Grade it was obvious that Daniel was ready for First Grade receiving his debut in the top grade in Round 6. Approaching the finals series the selection committee could not deny Daniel from achieving an appointment in First Grade in the Qualifying and Semi Finals. His appointment to the Second

Grade Grand Final is the highest grade that a rookie umpire has ever been selected in his debut season. Daniel was a clear winner of the Rookie Umpire of the Year and should continue to impress next season. Congratulations Daniel on a stellar debut season.



Les Chegvidden

Les came to Shires umpires via another SSCUA member Trevor Kenneally who recommended to Les that

he should umpire with us. Les was a very committed member in his debut season being available to umpire all 13 Preliminary rounds as well as being selected for a Tim Creer Cup Qualifying Final. Les did pretty well in his debut season umpiring in a mix of Third and Fourth Grade matches. With a full season under his belt I am sure that Les would be looking forward to the opportunity to umpire some matches in Second Grade on clubs number one ovals. Well done Les on a pretty solid debut season with the SSCUA



Rajesh Damodaran

Rajesh came to us from far North Queensland where he umpired First Grade in the Rockhampton competition.

After just three games in Shires Second Grade, Rajesh earned a promotion to First Grade where he spent the rest of the season. In total Rajesh umpired 11 matches this season in the Saturday competition preliminary rounds as well as one Frank Gray Shield game. He earned an appointment to a Second Grade Qualifying Final but personal reasons unfortunately saw him unavailable for a Semi Final or Grand Final appointment.

Brian De Celis

Brian was another of our more committed members who made himself available to umpire all bar one of the 13 preliminary rounds. Brian showed a keen interest to learn as much as possible and put his hand up early in the season to also be appointed to a few Sunday matches in the Masters and Classics games. After spending the first half





of the season in Third Grade, Brian found himself promoted to Second Grade post Christmas where he did a pretty good job for a first season umpire. Brian

was rewarded for his good performances being selected to stand in a Fourth Grade Qualifying Final as well as a Tim Creer Cup Semi Final. A good solid member who should reap the rewards of his debut season, and make further inroads during 2015/16



Michael Dunn

Michael came to Shires Cricket not being available for Round 1 but from that point on umpired every one of the preliminary

rounds. Michael spent all of his debut season in Third Grade with the exception of one appearance in Second Grade. This was followed up with an appointment to a Tim Creer Cup Qualifying Final. Started the season a little uncertainly, but after a few games under his belt improved rapidly receiving some good feedback from both captains and his umpiring partners. With a full season behind him I feel Michael will continue to improve next season and will hopefully be looking to umpire some more matches in Second Grade.



Clay Finnemore

Clay joined the Association at the half way point of the season having decided to stop playing in the Shires

competition where he had a long career with Macquarie Uni, Georges River and South Sydney Cricket Clubs at various points of his career. Being a long time player in the competition and also with a background officiating in another sport (Hockey), Clay fitted in really well in to Second Grade for the six rounds he umpired with us and finished his season off with a Qualifying Final in the Tim Creer Cup. With a taste of umpiring this season I am confident that Clay will have an improved full season during the upcoming summer.



Kamlesh Kotak

Kamlesh came to us after having umpired for a few years in the local competition conducted in New York, USA.

Unfortunately for us, Kamlesh's job situation saw him have to accept an employment offer in Melbourne which saw him move away from Sydney after standing in only six matches. This was a loss for the Association as Kamlesh up to that time showed that he was quite an accomplished umpire. We wish him well on his new life in Melbourne.



Brijesh Pardesi

Brijesh had a diverse season where he umpired a bit and also played a bit. He started umpiring in Grade Cricket

but then decided to commit to Shires from Round 4. He umpired to Round 7 and then went back and played with his club (Pennant Hills) while the one day games were scheduled from Rounds 8 to 10 before umpiring the last three rounds of the season. He finished his season with an appointment to a Tim Creer Cup Qualifying Final. Showed a great keenness to learn and develop his umpiring and should progress further next season particularly if he commits full time to umpiring.



Mirwais Syed

A recent arrival in Australia, Mirwais came into Shires umpiring and acquitted himself quite well in his debut

season completing 12 of the 13 preliminary rounds. Umpiring a mix of Third and Fourth Grades he started slowly but by season's end was getting some good feedback from his fellow umpiring partners which will definitely put him in a good position to start the 2015/16 season well. Well done Mirwais on a successful first season.

FIRST GRADE GRAND FINAL

North West Sydney v Burwood

Blacktown International
Sports Park No 2

28 and 29 March 2015

Burwood 277 defeated
North West Sydney 205

Man of the Match
Daniel McLachlan–Burwood

Umpires
Stephen Blomfield and
Anthony Raymond



The First Grade Grand Final for season 2014-15 featured the premiers from the past two seasons, Burwood Briars and North West Sydney, playing in their first Grand Final as a merged club

North West Sydney entered the final as the highest ranked team after finishing the regular season in 4th position and having two strong finals wins against Mt Pritchard Southern Districts and Macquarie University. Burwood who finished the regular season in 2nd position surrendered their advantage after a tight loss to Macquarie University in the Qualifying Final, but qualified for their fifth Grand Final in a row with a strong performance against Minor Premiers, Georges River in the semi-final.

Arriving at the ground on Saturday morning, Sydney's Greater West had turned on a stunning morning, the sun was shining, there was not a cloud in the sky and the ground looked in immaculate condition. A pitch inspection, showed it looking close to something resembling the Great Western Highway, it was hard, brown in colour and devoid of grass, the outfield was absolutely superb, looking more like a bowling green than a cricket field. The Conditions made for a perfect days cricket between two very good and committed teams.

The first surprise of the day occurred at the toss with North West Sydney Captain Damien Duroux winning the toss and asking Burwood to bat first.

After 4 overs, he seemed a genius with dangerous Burwood opening batsmen Chris Hart and No: 3, Max Squires both back in the pavilion after making 'ducks', North West Sydney opening bowler Nick Chant on fire with 2 wickets in one over, Burwood 2/5.

Mark Seymour batting at No: 4 began playing some shots but lost other opener Seb Blaszczyk who feathered another Nick Chant delivery to the keeper in the 14th over, Burwood 3/42. Burwood captain Jason Holley joined Seymour and the revival seemed on until Seymour edged a wide delivery from Mick Kirwan for a quick-fire 50, Burwood now 4/72.

Burwood lost their next 3 wickets on the same score, with Nick Chant tearing through the Burwood batting line-up to have six of the first seven wickets falling, Burwood in major trouble at 7/72, limping to lunch at 7/104 with Peter Burkhart and Andrew Jalalaty the not out batsmen.

North West Sydney ruing a simple dropped catch by keeper Alex Daniels off Jalalaty when he was on 6.

After lunch Burkhart and Jalalaty set about rescuing the Burwood innings, with Burkhart playing some immaculate shots, the quick outfield allowing both batsmen to get full value for playing balls into the gaps and



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along the ground. When Burkhart departed for a classy and chanceless 70, he and Jalalaty had put on 127 for the 8th wicket and Burwood were back in the game.

Burwood number 10 batsman Simon Nardo joined Jalalaty and the pair continued to dominate the North West Sydney bowlers, when Jalalaty was stumped for a match high score of 92, Burwood were 9/262 and compiling a very competitive total, eventually bowled out for 277 in 73.5 overs, with Nardo not out 34. Nick Chant with the bowling honours for North West Sydney taking 6/56 from 19 overs.

After such a sensational comeback with the bat, Burwood were fired up in the field with North West Sydney having 28 overs to bat until stumps on Day 1. With Daniel McLauchlan taking the new ball, Burwood were quickly on the front foot with North West Sydney opening batsman Alex Daniels nicking a wide one to Burwood keeper Jalalaty, North West Sydney 1/0 after the first over.

Geoff Reid joined other opening batsman Lee Ryanhart, and began playing some nice shots getting the scoreboard ticking over. However a deep foot hole at one end of the pitch saw McLauchlan change ends and then struck again in his second over, with Ryanhart nicking a quick delivery to the keeper, 2/16.

Reid continued playing shots taking it to Seymour, who struck back by bowling No: 4 batsman Noel South for 9, when Reid was

caught at the wicket off the bowling of McLauchlan, North West Sydney were in trouble at 4/54 with 16 overs still left in the day.

At the fall of this wicket North West Sydney Captain Damien Duroux was joined by former NSW representative Don Nash and both survived until stumps taking the score to 4/81.

Day 2 commenced on time, the pitch again looking something like the M4 and offering no assistance to the bowlers, however with a bit of cloud cover around, the ball began to reverse slightly. With this slight movement and pace Daniel McLachlan had both not out batsmen playing and missing at different times. Runs were hard to come by but both batsmen were knocking the ball around for singles and getting the odd boundary here and there.

With the score on 123, Duroux survived a very confident LBW appeal, but next ball edged McLauchlan to Seymour at first slip, making a very controlled 34, North West Sydney now 5/123. Nash followed Duroux shortly thereafter for 44 in exactly the same circumstances, McLaughlan taking his fifth wicket, North West Sydney 6/138 with only the bowlers to come.

A bowling change by Burwood captain Jason Holley, introducing Simon Nardo's left arm orthodox immediately brought success with Nardo bowling Joel Scurr and Mick Kirwan in the same over, North West Sydney now 8/141 and staring defeat in the face.

Enter Alex Bird who made a quick-fire 17 before becoming McLauchlan's 6th wicket, being bowled lock, stock and barrel.

A fighting last wicket stand by Daniel Johnson and Nick Chant, saw North West Sydney through to lunch clinging to hope with one wicket to spare. After lunch both batsman nudged and nicked the ball around frustrating the Burwood bowlers who suddenly looked a little nervous as the score reached and went passed the 200 mark.

In his 15th over Nardo finally got one past the bat of Nick Chant who was adjudged LBW, the game ending with North West Sydney all out for 205 and Burwood celebrating their 3rd First Grade premiership in a row.

Much discussion was had by both umpires and reserve umpire John Evans before deciding the winner of the Peter Toohey Medal for Player of the Match should be awarded to Daniel McLauchlan from Burwood who took 6/63 from 29 overs bowling unchanged from the railway end on day two.

Congratulations goes to both sets of players for a hard fought match generally played in the right spirit and worthy of a First Grade Shires Grand Final.

Many thanks goes to the ground staff and staff at Blacktown International Sports Park for the facilities provided for this match, everything was absolutely first class.



SECOND GRADE GRAND FINAL

Burwood v Warringah
Tunks Park, Northbridge
28 and 29 March 2015
Warringah 180 and 5/92 defeated
Burwood 113 and 158
Man of the Match
Brad Lewis –Warringah
Umpires
Geoff Taylor and Daniel Burton



The Second Grade Grand Final was played at a neutral ground, 'Tunks Park' Northbridge

Hosting of the event was provided by the North Sydney Cricket Club and a special thanks to Bevan White, Dave Rodgie, Liz Rodgie and Cathy Campbell for providing the support to allow the event to run smoothly.

Special thanks go to Bernie and Andrew Vince in preparing the oval for this match. The wicket and grounds were first class and provided an even contest for both teams. Burwood Cricket Club was the higher placed side at the end of the preliminary rounds. Their opponents were Warringah who had been their grand final opponents from the previous season.

The two appointed umpires were Daniel Burton and Geoff Taylor. This was Daniel's first grand final in his first year of umpiring Shires Cricket and Geoff Taylor's third.

DAY 1 A mild sunny day greeted the captain's for the toss. The pitch looked hard and true and would provide that little extra for the team that put in. Burwood won the toss and elected to bat.

Burwood's start could only be described as disastrous being 3/7 off three overs. Early wickets were Jack Rogers (1) run out, Joseph Todd (1) caught in the slips and Brad Sculley (1) caught short cover by Tristan Rajah off a blinder. Captain Rob Nandi and Guy Smith

steadied the ship but had some anxious times with each player being dropped and Smith being caught in the slips off the only no ball of the day. With lunch approaching Burwood had recovered to be 3/66 and looking to be set for a reasonable score. At 3/66 with lunch approaching disaster struck again with Burwood losing another three quick wickets which took them to a precarious 6/69 at the break. Guy Smith (28) run out by Brad Lewis and Craig Pecar then Rob Nandi (32) caught at backward square leg by Craig Pecar and finally Ben Chapman (2) who was LBW to Andrew Mahn being the three to fall just before the lunch break.

Burwood after lunch limped to a total of 113 off 54.1 overs with the wickets to fall being Brett Bastow (10) caught by Daniel McKenna, Declan Kennedy (12) stumped brilliantly by keeper Brad Lewis standing up to the stumps off the pace of McKenna again, Doug Loth (7) LBW to Andrew Mahn and finally a third run out in the innings saw Paul Pannuti stranded attempting a quick single. Peter Catalovski (10) was the not out batsman and the innings concluded at 2.15pm off 54.1 overs. Best of the bowling was Daniel McKenna 2/38, Lenny Jones 2/33, and Andrew Mahn 3/12. Keeper Brad Lewis had a part in four of the dismissals (3 run outs and a stumping). In hindsight, for Burwood to



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lose three wickets as run outs in a Grand Final most would probably consider unforgivable.

Warringah was left with 47 overs to face for the day. Captain Nick Burrows (2) made his intent clear by immediately attacking the bowling only to be brilliantly caught by the bowler Paul Pannuti. Warringah 1/2 after 1 over. Brad Lewis joins Scott Ryan at the crease and together they build the match winning partnership before Ryan (23) is dismissed with the total on 85. Craig Rupert (0) comes and goes with the score remaining 85. Peter Catalovski who has only just come into the bowling attack has applied the brakes. Craig Pecar steadies with Brad Lewis to ensure Burwood's score is passed and Warringah have the first innings win. However Burwood are not done and claim the wickets of Pecar (10), Lewis (76) and Mahn (0) in the space of 3 runs to have Warringah 6/123 and far from consolidating the first innings lead. Daniel McKenna comes to the crease and with Tristan Rajah takes to the attack of Burwood. Stumps are only a few overs away when Warringah lose two quick wickets Rajah (15) and Maksimovic (1) and finish the day at 8/157.

DAY 2 The start of day 2 saw Warringah chew up a valuable 16 overs to take their final score to 180 giving the "Green Men" a valuable lead of 67 going into the second innings.

Rodgers and Smith open the batting and immediately the intent is clear with runs flowing very quickly with Smith (38) caught off a lofted cut by Pecar at point, Burwood

1/57 after 10 overs. Chapman joins Rodgers and the run chase continues with Rodgers (32) caught by Leach in the deep, 2/89. Lead of 22 with 8 wickets in hand. Bastow (1) joins Chapman but is LBW to Rupert and Burwood are 3/93. Kennedy (2) also LBW Rupert and the score is 4/103. Chapman is joined by skipper Nandi and the pair pushes on for quick runs. Chapman (10) is caught in the deep by Percar, Burwood 5/103 (lead of 36). Sculley (5) is bowled by McKenna and the score is now 6/123. Loth (0) bowled by Rupert 7/124. Todd joins Nandi and the pair pushes the score on to 149 before Todd (12) is caught by Rupert off McKenna. McKenna has bowled unchanged from the Northbridge end of the ground and with the wicket of Todd claims his 5th wicket of the innings. Pannuti (3) is caught Leach bowled Rupert to give Rupert his 4th wicket of the innings. The final wicket of Nandi (36) falls with the score on 158 off just 34 overs. Burwood have a lead of 91 with 47 overs left in the day to get a result one way or the other. Best of the bowlers. McKenna 6/63 off 17 and Rupert 4/35 off 11.

For Warringah to win the premiership they need 92 runs or bat out the 47 remaining overs, Burwood need 10 wickets.

Burrows and Ryan open the batting intent on not losing a wicket early and building a foundation to win the match. Burrows (5) is the first to go with the score 1/18. Lewis joins Ryan and continues where he left off in the first innings building the score to 2/34 before Ryan (22) is brilliantly stumped by wicket keeper Todd. A few wobbles could

be appearing; however Rupert (21) who has had a great day with the bat and ball consolidates with Lewis (31) to take the score to 3/80. Lewis is caught two balls before tea by Pannuti in the deep running backward and grabbing the catch one handed. Tea is taken with Warringah needing 12 runs and Burwood needing 7 wickets.

Final session the umpires are looking forward to the game being over, it has been a long two days with lots of twists and turns as the play has ebbed and flowed from one side to the other. Catalovski resumes the bowling and immediately has Rupert (21) out caught trying a big hit to win the game. At 4/80 Pecar (0) is caught behind of Catalovski and now it's 5/80. Rajah (11 no) and Mahn (1 no) acquire the additional runs for Warringah to win outright and become the Second Grade premiers.

Brad Lewis received the "Man of the Match" medallion for his first innings batting display, supported by his second innings batting along with a brilliant stumping and combining with the fielders to contribute to three runs outs. Daniel McKenna deserves special mention for his contribution to Warringah win with his batting and bowling, 35 runs in the first innings, 2/32 and 6/63.

Warringah deserved to win having out played Burwood on Day 1 in restricting them to 113 and then not getting the wobbles on Day 2 when the final run chase was on.

A great game and well umpired as expressed by the two captains in the trophy presentations.



THIRD GRADE GRAND FINAL

Burwood v Strathfield
Rothwell Park
28 and 29 March 2015
Strathfield 155 and 9/158
defeated Burwood 152
Man of the Match
Dhaval Amin–Strathfield
Umpires
Ian Tabrett and Gerard Riley



Sunny skies and a good weather forecast greeted us for the first time in this year's finals series on our arrival at Rothwell Park

Strathfield's Captain Matthew Abrahamian called correctly and had little hesitation in putting first runs on the board.

Strathfield made a shaky start when an inspired piece of ground fielding by Ben Critchley at extra cover saw opener Niruban Sivendra run out by the length of the pitch without registering a run. Niruban drove the ball firmly wide of Ben who flung himself to his right, full length grasping the ball cleanly in one hand and quickly tossing it to his Captain and wicketkeeper to complete the run out.

After this Rohan Soni joined Dhaval Amin at the crease and for the only time in the match batting was made to look easy. Whilst they were together it looked as though Strathfield would amass an imposing total. They took the score from 11 to 74 before the fall of a wicket. Dhaval batted aggressively and regularly looked like giving a chance whilst Rohan was a good solid foil for his more exuberant partner.

As we headed off for lunch it looked like being a high scoring match but after the forty minute meal break everything changed. First up Atul Mahajan got the important wicket of Dhaval (54) followed by Rohan Soni for 32. Atul bowled with a little away movement with an unusual action.

He also bowled from the end where the Rothwell hill is steeper. He overcame that challenge to finish a polished display with 6 for 35. At the time it appeared he may have bowled his team to victory. The last five Strathfield batsmen failed to reach double figures. Janak Khatri was left stranded not out on 29. Wickets also fell to opening bowler Mick Towells (1-40) and spinner Sanjiv Khalkho (2-31).

By the innings end a massive change had taken place in the match. The batting team had lost 8 for 58. They had finished a promising innings all out for 155. Strathfield now had it all to do.

The Burwood innings was dominated by two players. Dhanush Devidas bowled with energy and pace throughout the innings. In the end he finished with 4 for 25 off 21 overs of quality fast bowling. I note his season tally of 56 wickets in third grade this season. He shouldn't spend too much time down there next year. The other player to star was Ben Critchley who almost on his own gave Burwood a chance of chasing the 156 required for a first innings win. Ben finished with 75 well compiled runs. Plenty of 1's and 2's in his innings with a big drive over mid off for 6 late on day 1 being the most memorable.



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Tom Jackson scored a positive 21 at the top of the order for Burwood but with his opening partner and number 3 both making ducks, it was not the start Burwood were looking for in this Grand Final. Luka Kalic looked good at the crease but fell for 15 and Captain Gareth Robson was defiant more than anything else for his 12. When Gareth fell to Dhanush with the score on 102 the job looked like it would get done. The very next ball Strathfield's LBW appeal was rewarded and it was game on once again.

As in the first innings of the match the bottom 5 for Burwood were unable to make a contribution. No player in the bottom five reached 10. Whilst Ben Critchley was there, it still seemed doable. However when Ben Critchley fell for 75 Burwood still needed 6 with only one wicket in hand. Shortly after, Dipen Patel claimed his second wicket and a giant step toward Grand Final success. Burwood had been dismissed for 152. Strathfield had shared the wickets with 6 wicket takers for the innings. The star however was Dhanush who bowled himself almost to a standstill.

As the umpires headed out for the start of the third innings there was a strong feeling that there would be a fourth innings to decide the match. Two early wickets to Mick Towells had Strathfield in trouble at 2 for 9 and it was looking like going to the fourth innings. As he had in the first innings Dhaval Amin, initially with aggression and then with more stoicism, in partnership with bowling hero Dhanush they stopped, most importantly, the fall of wickets.

However, just when it appeared to be headed to a quiet ending the match turned once more. Dhanush retired hurt with cramps in his hand. This same injury had him hospitalised earlier in the season. Shortly after Dhaval fell for 42 to the bowling of first innings destroyer Atul Mahajan. Two new batsmen at the crease and things had changed. Diren Reddy got a wicket and Towells picked up a third and Strathfield had the shakes at 5 for 87 and plenty of time remaining. This time around though, the tail was not willing to go quietly. Although they lost wickets they kept to scoreboard ticking over. For the first time in the match players in the bottom half of the order reached double figures. Darshit Suthar scored 30, Rohan Patel 19 not out and Dipen Patel scored 14.

Wickets to first innings bowling hero Mahajan (4-39) were enough to bring injured batsmen Dhanush back out at the fall of the ninth wicket. They were in the end not enough to force a fourth innings. When the players headed to drinks at 9/158 and only an hour's play remaining Burwood skipper Gareth Robson graciously conceded defeat.

Man of the match was Dhaval Amin from Strathfield for his strong performance with the bat scoring 54 in the first innings but just as importantly 42 in the second innings.



FOURTH GRADE GRAND FINAL

Warringah v Burwood

Weldon Oval

28 and 29 March 2015

Burwood 5/172

defeated Warringah 171

Man of the Match

Lloyd Andrews–Burwood

Umpires

Geoff Wheeler and Rupert Mathews



Saturday morning produced a beautiful day for cricket. We walked out to the middle where the groundsman was rolling a very good looking wicket, which had a glassy sheen to it

The formalities over, the toss was made, which was won by Jeremy Haikin the Burwood captain who slightly hesitated then asked Andy Ryan the Warringah captain to bat.

Tommy Threlkeld and Asif Ahmed opened the bowling and both achieved lots of swing while the wicket was playing well. Asif bowled Keiren Nixon to take the first wicket of the day with only a few runs on the board. Tommy then bowled a great out swinger to bowl Paul Chapman out and all of a sudden Warringah were in a bit of trouble at 2 for 10 with a rescue mission being needed. With the opening spells over, the ball continued to swing making it difficult for the batsman at the crease. A close call for a run out (given not out) summed up the tenseness. Warringah had scored twenty runs off around the same number of overs to make this a usual blue print for a grand final. A double bowling change kept the pressure on with the swinging ball still dominating. Lunch was taken with the score at 2 for 51 off 39 overs, a very good over rate.

Warringah supplied a super lunch of chicken, salads and fruit followed by Margaret's sensational Rocky road and Master Chef quality cakes.



Twin spin straight after lunch and the grind continued. A further bowling change at over 45 saw Tommy Threlkeld come back into the attack. The score progresses slowly to 2 for 73 off 54 overs. The next over saw Burwood begin to take the ascendancy with the introduction of Lloyd Andrews. Warringah opening batsman Huw Griffiths who had batted all this time for a patient 32 in a partnership of 63 with Jake Ellis is dismissed and the door is open with three wickets now being down. Then a mini collapse happens with Nick Osbourne being bowled, Jake Ellis being caught and skipper Andy Ryan getting out caught behind with all four wickets in this period falling to Lloyd Andrews. What was earlier a solid 2 for 73 has now ended up into a worrying score of 6 for 88—a collapse of 4 for 15 in a short space of time. It's time for Warringah to dig in again and consolidate.

Introduction of a twin spin attack again at the 73 over mark was to hasten the prospect of taking the new ball at 80 overs. At this stage Burwood were 10 overs ahead of the required over rate which is an excellent effort. Opening bowlers Tommy and Asif took the new ball as soon as it became available and bowled a further 9 overs with Warringah not losing a wicket.

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Eventually Warringah lost their 7th wicket after a valuable 56 run partnership and the score is now 7 for 144 after 93 overs. The tail end of the batting line up fought hard for the last three wickets and added a further 27 runs before being bowled out for 171 off an incredible 111.1 overs. Credit must go to Warringah for batting all day which is a rare feat for a Fourth Grade Grand Final. Burwood batted out a solitary maiden over at the end of the day and went into day two needing to score 172 to take the premiership trophy. The chase was on for Sunday.

Sunday's weather was again spectacular. We met with the groundsman and the pitch rolling went ahead with no problems. The pitch still looked good although showing signs of wear. The game started on time and with some excitement as Scott Brennan was lucky not to lose his wicket in the first over with a run out attempt missing the stumps with Scott well out of his ground. Will Denny and Laughlan Kerr opened the bowling and were doing well making the batsmen play with both finishing their six over spells. With no wickets down after 13 overs a change in bowling was required so Jake Ellis came on to bowl some spin. The 15th over saw Surab Ganguly caught and bowled Jake Ellis and the score was 1/40, a good start for the run chase.

Drinks came at 1 for 46 off 19 overs. Nick Osbourne finished his spell at 21 overs and the score was 1 for 51, to be replaced by another young bowler, Huw Griffiths. Burwood increased the tempo towards lunch with Scott Brennan hitting a straight six in the 34th over. Tom Moffitt was out just prior to lunch with the score on 2 for 90 when he was caught and bowled by Will Denny. Lunch came at 42 overs with the score being 2 for 97.

Lunch was again spectacular and lots of praise must go the Warringah club in the way this match was hosted.

Laughlan Kerr and Ben Ryan resumed the attack after lunch and after a very good innings Scott Brennan was out caught to the bowling of Ben Ryan. It's now 3 for 102 and the situation is getting a little nervous for both sides. How would the game have changed if Scott was run out for 1 and not for 70, we will never know? Lloyd Andrews was in and taking the attack to the bowlers hitting two consecutive fours. The game changed again with Warringah tying up the batsmen with the runs drying up. Then we had a big over with 13 runs coming off it. At 60.5 overs another wicket Daniel Fraser was bowled by Will Denny.

Drinks were taken and no doubt final tactics discussed. The spells of Will Denny and Nick Osbourne were completed as the score progressed. The Burwood Skipper Jeremy Haikin was out caught off the bowling of Huw Griffiths with the score 5 for 150. Two vital catches were put down from Lloyd's bat but with very sensible play and his experience saw Burwood get the winning runs for the loss of just five wickets. The game finished just before tea which was taken with both teams in total agreement on one thing, the sausage rolls were the best ever, thanks to Huw's mum.

The man of the match medal was contested between Scott Brennan who kept wicket all day and made 70 for Burwood and Lloyd Andrews who took 5 wickets and made 40 not out. We decided unanimously that the medal would go to Lloyd Andrews...a worthy winner.

This was an exciting Grand Final with the young Warringah team showing lots of promise for the future, and Burwood being well led and clinical whenever it mattered. The spirit of cricket was tremendous as with the facilities and the hospitality as previously mentioned.



FRANK GRAY SHIELD GRAND FINAL

Warringah v Georges River
Weldon Oval, Curl Curl
Sunday 1 March 2015
Georges River 4/127 defeated
Warringah 126
Man of the Match
Ben Vella–Georges River
Umpires
Stephen Blomfield and Geoff Taylor



The Frank Gray Shield Grand Final was played at the home ground of the Warringah Club, the higher placed side at the end of the preliminary rounds

Their opponents were George's River who had been their grand final opponents from the previous season. The two sides had previously met during Round 5 on 18 January where Warringah won a close fought match by a margin of 4 wickets passing the Georges River total of 191 with 3 overs to spare.

In season 2014/15 the competition was that close that any of three teams–Warringah, Georges River or Burwood–could have been the victors.



The two appointed umpires were Stephen Blomfield and Geoff Taylor who between them had amassed around 550 career matches in Shires Cricket. It was Geoff's first Frank Gray Shield Grand Final, while for Stephen it was his fifth.

The day was very hot and steamy with a 90% chance of showers and thunderstorms due mid to late afternoon. Warringah captain Ethan Collett won the toss and had

no hesitation in electing to bat with the pitch looking a belter with the prospect of a lot of runs to be scored.

Warringah started cautiously looking to get the side off to a solid start when in the fifth over Ben Vella had Nick Cohen caught for 4. Warringah were off to a shaky start being 1 for 12. The very next over James Crombie was caught off the bowling of Byron for a duck and all of a sudden it was 2 for 14. Ethan Collett strode to the crease determined to stable proceedings only to be dismissed an over later having his middle stump cart wheeled by Ben Vella for 2. Warringah were now in deep trouble at 3 for 18 off 7 overs.

Opener Dom Wheeler stayed composed as wickets fell around him and looked very solid. Hamish Ferguson came and went with the score now being 4 for 28 off 12 overs with Georges River prowling for the kill and right on top. Matt Lamb came to the crease and with Dom Wheeler took the score to 58 to then only be caught by Roland O'Connor at mid off with what many were saying was the catch of the season from a shot that had four written all over it. Four overs later saw the dismissal of Wheeler for 29 from a very good caught and bowled by Daniel Yates. Warringah was now 6 for 82 off 24 overs and now in real trouble.



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As is often the case, the tail wagged with Chris Beaumont–Dark (14), Andrew Mahn (21) and Hayden Patrick (11) lifting the final score to 126 all out from 43 overs.

Georges Rivers bowling had been tight except for the 17 wides conceded, ground fielding and catching was of the highest order with no chances missed and a run out been effected. The best of the bowlers was Ben Vella 3 for 13 off 8 tight overs and Daniel Yates 2 for 11.

A fantastic lunch was provided by the host club Warringah, for all players and officials, one does enjoy being hosted by the Warringah Club in any match or grade for the great job the support people do.

Georges River got off to a great start being 1 for 71 after 16 overs and the game starting to look very secure. A well compiled 36 by Curtis Cheney had laid the platform well. Four overs later saw James Kirkness run out in the worst situation for all batsmen, backing up, batter straight drives, bowler gets a touch by the bowler and it cannons into the stumps with the non-striker stranded. Georges River was now 2 for 76 off 20 overs.



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Chris McArthur and Nick Henriques consolidated and took the score to 3 for 94 (29 overs) before Henriques was dismissed for 7. Warringah were fighting back and mounting pressure on the Georges River batsmen and at the fall of the 3rd wicket questions were being asked about whether Georges River could finish the job.

Yet another wicket with the score on 102 saw Chris McArthur depart the crease and with 25 runs to get the pressure was mounting.

Roland O'Connor strolled to the crease full of confidence after his amazing catch earlier in the day and with 25 to get, a lot of overs



to bowl, amid a very warm greeting from the Warringah players.

To the west a severe thunderstorm was forming and the day was darkening, the wind had picked up to be cooling, but the tension in the centre was now extreme. Every ball was greeted with enthusiastic response from the supporters as the two batsmen Alex Wall and Roland O'Connor nudged their way towards the 127 run victory total.

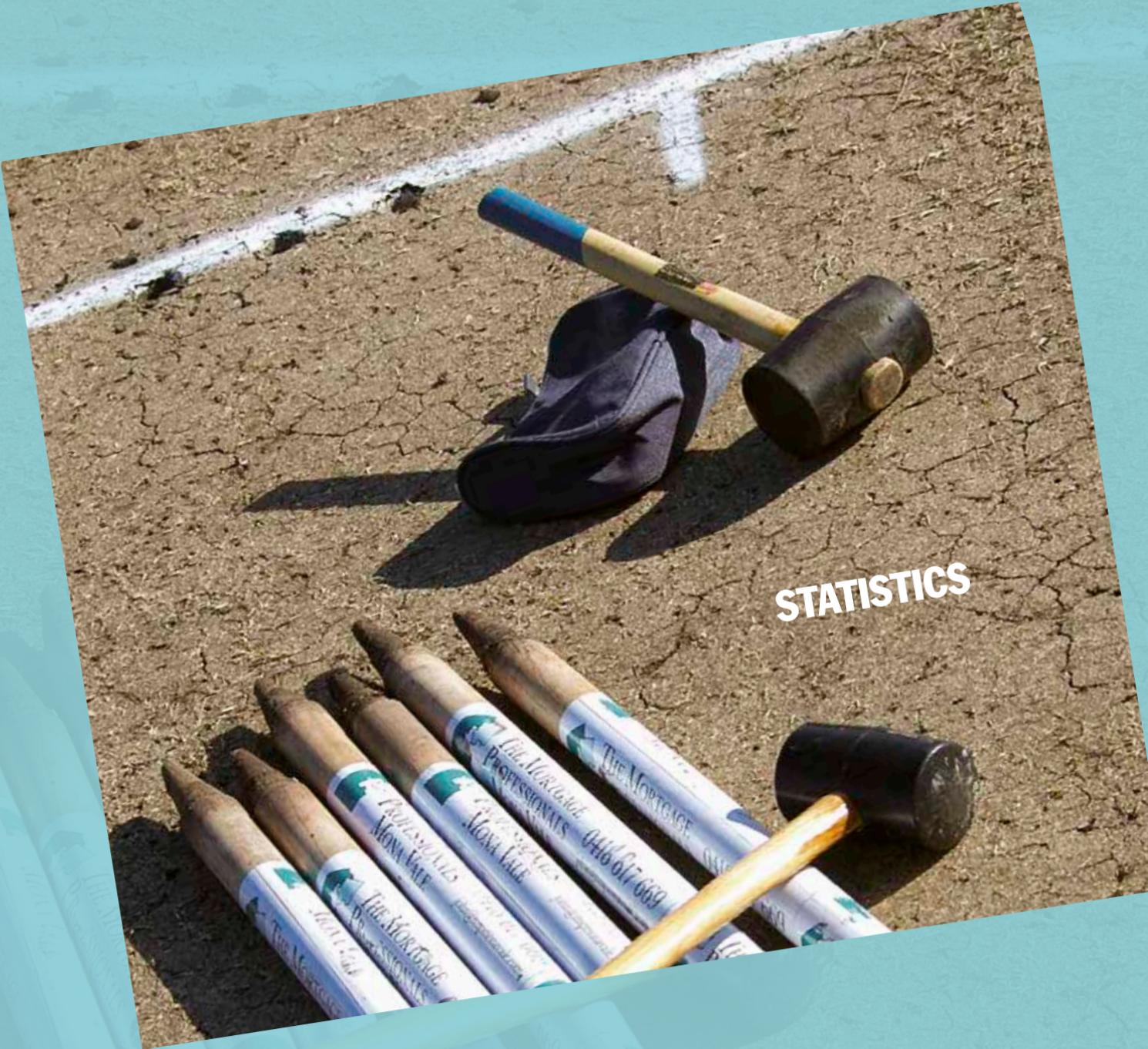
In the 37th over the total was passed and Georges River were the victors and Frank Gray Shield title holders for the 2014 / 2015 competition.

Ben Vella received the David Gilbert Medal as the Player of the Match for his bowling performance in putting Warringah on the back foot and being responsible for having them 4 for 28 early in their innings.

Georges River deserved the trophy as they had completely outplayed Warringah with

the bat and ball. Thanks are extended to SSCUA members Derek Ponsford, Clay Finnmere, Ian Tabrett and David Goodman who all came along to the game to support the two on field umpires.





STATISTICS

SEASON MATCH APPOINTMENTS

	Shires games	Frank Gray games	Grade games	Season total
Baker, Andrew	15	2	0	17
Banodkar, Mahesh	12	0	0	12
Barnes, John	6	0	0	6
Bell, Grahame	2	0	7	9
Bergman, Tony	15	4	0	19
Blomfield, Stephen	17	10	0	27
Bowman, Ian	14	3	0	17
Breakspear, Brian	7	0	0	7
Buckland, Kenneth	0	3	17	20
Burton, Daniel	16	2	0	18
Campbell, Neil	4	0	0	4
Chakraborty, Bidhan	6	0	3	9
Chambiras, Paul	1	0	0	1
Chegwidden, Les	14	0	0	14
Christen, Richard	9	0	0	9
Clements, Stephen	11	0	0	11
Clift, Paul	1	3	0	4
Conway, Michael	12	0	0	12
Crocono, Rick	15	2	0	17
Damodaran, Rajesh	12	1	0	13
Davies, Keith	9	0	0	9
Davies, Reece	1	0	0	1
Decelis, Brian	14	0	0	14
Decosta, Kaysee	0	0	0	0
Duff, Cameron	1	3	15	19
Dunn, Michael	13	0	0	13
Du Plessis, Berend	1	0	16	17
Fairlie, Simon	9	3	0	12
Finnemore, Clay	7	0	0	7
Fonseka, Jude	6	0	0	6
Friend, Peter	0	0	0	0
Goodger, Darren	1	0	20	21
Goodman, David	0	0	0	0
Hanshaw, Glen	4	0	0	4
Harrison, Spencer	15	1	0	16
Hendricks, Bill	1	3	14	18
Holland, Ivan	12	5	0	17
Hughes, Mark	0	1	14	15
Hunter, Kim	14	3	0	17
Kenneally, Trevor	0	0	0	0
Khale, Shailesh	0	0	0	0
Kotak, Kamlesh	6	0	0	6
Lees, Craig	1	0	13	14

	Shires games	Frank Gray games	Grade games	Season total
Madan, Ajit	7	0	0	7
Maloney, Rob	1	2	11	14
Mathews, Rupert	16	6	0	22
McGinn, Cameron	1	1	14	16
Mooney, Peter	13	6	0	19
Moore, Wayne	14	3	0	17
Murphy, Steve	0	0	0	0
Newsom, Ian	9	0	0	9
Oppenheim, Dennis	5	0	0	5
Pardesi, Brijesh	10	0	0	10
Parker, Trevor	14	0	0	14
Paxton, Homer	6	0	0	6
Ponsford, Derek	11	0	0	11
Ramakrishnan, Keeran	9	0	0	9
Raymond, Anthony	15	6	0	21
Richards, George	0	0	0	0
Riley, Gerard	16	3	0	19
Roberts, Michael	12	0	0	12
Schokman, Trevor	14	1	0	15
Scott, Ross	12	0	0	12
Shellens, Jim	0	0	0	0
Shield, Bob	0	2	14	16
Singham, Mano	12	0	0	12
Smellie, Patrick	15	5	0	20
Smith, Gordon	4	2	0	6
Starks, Steve	0	0	0	0
Steindler, Andrew	14	0	0	14
Syed, Mirwais	12	0	0	12
Tabrett, Ian	15	8	0	23
Taylor, Chris	0	3	14	17
Taylor, Geoff	13	8	0	21
Thomson, Ian	0	0	0	0
Tribolet, Brett	2	0	0	2
Turmanis, Juris	1	0	0	1
Turner, Michael	10	0	0	10
Turner, Peter	0	0	0	0
Vella, Aaron	1	2	14	17
Ward, Malcolm	5	0	0	5
Watson, Arthur	0	0	12	12
Wheeler, Geoff	15	0	0	15
White, Graeme	8	0	0	8
Whitehouse, Bruce	4	0	0	4
Williams, Chris	0	0	0	0
Wood, Stuart	3	2	11	16



CAREER MATCH APPOINTMENTS

	Shires games	Frank Gray games	Grade games	Career total
Baker, Andrew	15	2	0	17
Banodkar, Mahesh	20	0	2	22
Barnes, John	44	2	337	383
Bell, Grahame	39	0	19	58
Bergman, Tony	83	19	0	102
Blomfield, Stephen	256	106	12	374
Bowman, Ian	118	26	0	144
Breakspear, Brian	64	0	13	77
Buckland, Kenneth	68	39	169	276
Burton, Daniel	16	2	0	18
Campbell, Neil	43	0	1	44
Chakraborty, Bidhan	38	0	20	58
Chambiras, Paul	17	2	14	33
Chegwidden, Les	14	0	0	14
Christen, Richard	108	14	59	181
Clements, Stephen	61	0	0	61
Clift, Paul	9	23	0	32
Conway, Michael	52	0	2	54
Crocono, Rick	32	2	0	34
Damodaran, Rajesh	12	1	0	13
Davies, Keith	42	0	0	42
Davies, Reece	14	0	1	15
Decelis, Brian	14	0	0	14
Decosta, Kaysee	6	0	0	6
Duff, Cameron	18	3	15	36
Dunn, Michael	13	0	0	13
Du Plessis, Berend	8	0	32	40
Fairlie, Simon	20	3	0	23
Finnemore, Clay	7	0	0	7
Fonseka, Jude	29	0	0	29
Friend, Peter	202	52	2	256
Goodger, Darren	19	13	258	290
Goodman, David	57	15	0	72
Hanshaw, Glen	54	11	0	65
Harrison, Spencer	200	42	2	244
Hendricks, Bill	6	8	326	340
Holland, Ivan	193	63	1	257
Hughes, Mark	42	13	99	154
Hunter, Kim	61	8	0	69
Kenneally, Trevor	8	0	0	8
Khale, Shailesh	32	2	0	34
Kotak, Kamlesh	6	0	0	6
Lees, Craig	2	0	28	30
Madan, Ajit	44	1	0	45
Maloney, Rob	44	2	45	91
Mathews, Rupert	136	53	5	194

	Shires games	Frank Gray games	Grade games	Career total
McGinn, Cameron	3	1	44	48
Mooney, Peter	153	27	243	423
Moore, Wayne	29	3	0	32
Murphy, Steve	10	0	12	22
Newsom, Ian	34	1	35	70
Oppenheim, Dennis	30	0	0	30
Pardesi, Brijesh	10	0	0	10
Parker, Trevor	103	16	0	119
Paxton, Homer	37	0	0	37
Ponsford, Derek	107	0	0	107
Ramakrishnan, Keeran	47	2	70	119
Raymond, Anthony	29	6	0	35
Richards, George	111	25	149	285
Riley, Gerard	67	14	0	81
Roberts, Michael	92	13	76	181
Schokman, Trevor	165	10	3	178
Scott, Ross	22	0	0	22
Shellens, Jim	181	74	36	291
Shield, Bob	63	15	44	122
Singham, Mano	64	0	2	66
Smellie, Patrick	110	7	1	118
Smith, Gordon	183	59	3	245
Starks, Steve	34	2	101	137
Steindler, Andrew	57	0	29	86
Syed, Mirwais	12	0	0	12
Tabrett, Ian	77	31	2	110
Taylor, Chris	143	53	36	232
Taylor, Geoff	153	46	1	200
Thomson, Ian	30	0	0	30
Tribolet, Brett	78	9	2	89
Turmanis, Juris	18	0	126	144
Turner, Michael	37	0	0	37
Turner, Peter	11	0	17	28
Vella, Aaron	42	22	31	95
Ward, Malcolm	82	4	0	86
Watson, Arthur	20	2	703	725
Wheeler, Geoff	105	25	3	133
White, Graeme	22	0	0	22
Whitehouse, Bruce	77	32	26	135
Williams, Chris	21	0	1	22
Wood, Stuart	56	7	36	99

50 OR MORE SHIRES CAREER MATCHES

	1st Grade	2nd Grade	3rd Grade	4th Grade	Tim Creer Cup	Sub Total	Frank Gray Shield	Career Matches		1st Grade	2nd Grade	3rd Grade	4th Grade	Tim Creer Cup	Sub Total	Frank Gray Shield	Career Matches
Blomfield, Stephen	178	41	22	15	0	256	106	362	Bergman, Tony	22	39	11	10	1	83	19	102
Holland, Ivan	92	64	21	15	1	193	63	256	Quaken, Keith	71	25	4	0	0	100	0	100
Shellens, Jim	107	31	17	20	6	181	74	255	Gandevia, Robin	38	8	4	1	5	56	42	98
Friend, Peter	165	19	16	1	1	202	52	254	Tribolet, Brett	54	11	10	2	1	78	9	87
Smith, Gordon	24	83	50	19	7	184	58	242	Ward, Malcolm	35	29	13	2	3	82	4	86
Harrison, Spencer	72	67	35	23	3	200	42	242	Moore, John	49	16	1	3	0	69	14	83
Taylor, Geoff	79	49	12	10	3	153	46	199	Parfett, Bruce	50	2	2	4	0	58	25	83
Taylor, Chris	118	14	9	2	0	143	53	196	Riley, Gerard	30	20	12	5	0	67	14	81
Mathews, Rupert	73	35	14	11	3	136	53	189	Shield, Bob	27	17	12	4	3	63	15	78
Mooney, Peter	107	22	20	2	2	153	27	180	Goodman, David	14	36	3	2	2	57	15	72
Schokman, Trevor	53	70	27	12	3	165	10	175	Ralston, Tim	53	11	3	1	0	68	0	68
Kingsford-Smith, Tony	46	31	17	13	2	109	38	147	Hunter, Kim	18	27	9	2	4	60	8	68
Wheeler, Michael	63	24	13	4	1	105	39	144	Donnellan, Tom	36	26	1	0	0	63	2	65
Bowman, Ian	35	54	13	12	4	118	26	144	Osseweyer, Brett	33	7	2	2	1	45	20	65
Richards, George	44	38	20	8	1	111	25	136	Hanshaw, Glen	32	13	6	3	0	54	11	65
Wheeler, Geoff	57	23	18	6	1	105	25	130	Breakspear, Brian	24	26	10	2	2	64	0	64
Christen, Richard	3	33	51	18	3	108	14	122	Vella, Aaron	18	11	9	4	0	42	22	64
Parker, Trevor	5	29	50	15	4	103	16	119	Singham, Mano	0	2	45	17	0	64	0	64
Smellie, Patrick	50	40	14	6	0	110	7	117	Wood, Stuart	22	21	8	4	1	56	7	63
Shiner, Tom	50	39	2	3	0	94	19	113	Kearney, Chris	30	16	1	2	1	50	12	62
Green, Alan	85	16	7	1	0	109	1	110	Clements, Stephen	7	29	17	5	3	60	0	61
Whitehouse, Bruce	27	25	7	14	4	77	32	109	Thorpe, Ken	40	13	0	0	0	53	5	58
Tabrett, Ian	46	13	16	1	1	77	31	108	Steindler, Andrew	1	31	18	5	2	57	0	57
Buckland, Ken	26	10	12	17	3	68	39	107	Hughes, Mark	29	4	2	7	0	42	13	55
Ponsford, Derek	44	47	10	4	2	107	0	107	Roche, Glenn	15	6	5	4	1	31	21	52
Roberts, Michael	26	23	33	7	3	92	13	105	Conway, Michael	0	4	39	9	0	52	0	52



100 games for Michael Roberts (right) are acknowledged with a guard of honour at Macquarie Uni's Northern Oval

CAREER FINALS SERIES MATCHES

10 FINALS SERIES MATCHES
OR MORE TO QUALIFY

MASTERS & CLASSICS MATCHES

	Saturday Shires		Frank Gray Shield		
	Qualifying & Semi-finals		Qualifying & Semi-finals		Career Finals
	Grand Finals		Grand Finals		
Blomfield, Stephen	28	14	24	5	71
Taylor, Chris	18	9	8	5	40
Friend, Peter	23	10	6	1	40
Shellens, Jim	19	5	11	1	36
Harrison, Spencer	20	4	4	0	28
Mooney, Peter	19	5	2	1	27
Taylor, Geoff	18	3	5	1	27
Smith, Gordon	18	2	5	1	26
Wheeler, Mike	11	5	7	0	23
Holland, Ivan	19	0	4	0	23
Whitehouse, Bruce	9	3	7	0	19
Mathews, Rupert	15	2	2	0	19
Parfett, Bruce	8	3	3	3	17
Tabrett, Ian	8	3	6	0	17
Wheeler, Geoff	10	4	1	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
Bowman, Ian	12	0	0	0	12
Tribolet, Brett	7	3	1	0	11
Vella, Aaron	6	2	3	0	11
Riley, Gerard	7	2	1	0	10
Schokman, Trevor	10	0	0	0	10

	2014-15 Career			2014-15 Career	
Baker, Andrew	5	5	McGinn, Cameron	5	10
Banodkar, Mahesh	0	0	Mooney, Peter	1	3
Barnes, John	12	12	Moore, Wayne	1	6
Bell, Grahame	0	0	Murphy, Steve	0	0
Bergman, Tony	11	33	Newsom, Ian	0	0
Blomfield, Stephen	2	9	Oppenheim, Dennis	12	38
Bowman, Ian	0	3	Pardesi, Brijesh	0	0
Breakspear, Brian	0	0	Parker, Trevor	14	34
Buckland, Kenneth	9	24	Paxton, Homer	0	0
Burton, Daniel	5	5	Ponsford, Derek	0	0
Campbell, Neil	0	0	Ramakrishnan, Keeran	0	0
Chakraborty, Bidhan	0	0	Raymond, Anthony	0	0
Chambiras, Paul	0	0	Richards, George	0	0
Chegwidden, Les	0	0	Riley, Gerard	0	9
Christen, Richard	0	6	Roberts, Michael	2	6
Clements, Stephen	0	0	Schokman, Trevor	0	3
Clift, Paul	2	6	Scott, Ross	2	7
Conway, Michael	0	0	Shellens, Jim	0	15
Crocono, Rick	9	9	Shield, Bob	3	3
Damodaran, Rajesh	0	0	Singham, Mano	0	0
Davies, Keith	2	2	Smellie, Patrick	9	14
Davies, Reece	0	0	Smith, Gordon	0	0
Decelis, Brian	3	3	Starks, Steve	0	0
Decosta, Kaysee	0	0	Steindler, Andrew	0	0
Duff, Cameron	6	16	Syed, Mirwais	0	0
Dunn, Michael	0	0	Tabrett, Ian	0	4
Du Plessis, Berend	0	0	Taylor, Chris	5	9
Fairlie, Simon	1	13	Taylor, Geoff	2	17
Finnemore, Clay	0	0	Thomson, Ian	0	0
Fonseka, Jude	0	0	Tribolet, Brett	0	0
Friend, Peter	0	3	Turmanis, Juris	7	30
Goodger, Darren	0	0	Turner, Michael	0	3
Goodman, David	0	0	Turner, Peter	0	0
Hanshaw, Glen	0	0	Vella, Aaron	0	1
Harrison, Spencer	15	42	Ward, Malcolm	0	0
Hendricks, Bill	0	0	Watson, Arthur	0	0
Holland, Ivan	0	0	Wheeler, Geoff	0	4
Hughes, Mark	0	0	White, Graeme	0	0
Hunter, Kim	4	19	Whitehouse, Bruce	0	0
Kenneally, Trevor	0	0	Williams, Chris	0	0
Khale, Shailesh	0	0	Wood, Stuart	4	11
Kotak, Kamlesh	3	3			
Lees, Craig	7	7			
Madan, Ajit	0	0			
Maloney, Rob	0	0			
Mathews, Rupert	5	16			

MEETING ATTENDANCES

ALL CURRENT MEMBERS



SSCUA member Ian Thompson now lives in Hong Kong and umpires at venues like the Kowloon Cricket Club



Patrick Smellie at Frank Gray Third Grade Qualifying Final



Peter Mooney at Weldon Frank Gray Qualifying Final



Ian Tabrett at Tantallon First Grade—Round 10

	2014-15 Career Attendance Career Meetings %					2014-15 Career Attendance Career Meetings %			
Baker, Andrew	3	3	3	100.0	Mathews, Rupert	4	32	33	96.9
Banodkar, Mahesh	2	2	3	66.6	McGinn, Cameron	2	3	7	42.8
Barnes, John	2	3	6	50.0	Mooney, Peter	2	26	33	78.7
Bell, Grahame	1	9	15	60.0	Moore, Wayne	4	7	7	100.0
Bergman, Tony	4	17	19	89.4	Murphy, Stephen	0	5	41	12.1
Blomfield, Stephen	4	42	44	95.4	Newsom, Ian	2	4	10	40.0
Bowman, Ian	3	24	39	61.5	Oppenheim, Dennis	3	11	14	78.5
Breakspear, Brian	2	11	26	42.3	Pardesi, Brijesh	2	2	2	100.0
Buckland, Kenneth	4	28	42	66.6	Parker, Trevor	4	25	27	92.5
Burton, Daniel	3	3	3	100.0	Paxton, Homer	1	8	22	36.3
Campbell, Neil	1	10	30	30.0	Ponsford, Derek	3	17	36	47.2
Chakraborty, Bidhan	0	4	18	22.2	Ramarkrishnan, Keeran	1	7	22	31.8
Chambiras, Paul	0	1	19	5.2	Raymond, Anthony	4	7	7	100.0
Chegwidden, Les	3	3	3	100.0	Richards, George	3	37	43	86.1
Christen, Richard	0	20	37	54.1	Riley, Gerard	4	13	14	92.8
Clements, Stephen	3	14	20	70.0	Roberts, Michael	4	35	44	79.5
Clift, Paul	1	14	26	53.8	Schokman, Trevor	4	38	41	92.6
Conway, Michael	3	10	20	50.0	Scott, Ross	4	6	7	85.7
Crocono, Rick	4	7	7	100.0	Shellens, Jim	0	31	42	73.8
Damodaran, Rajesh	3	3	3	100.0	Shield, Bob	1	14	25	56.0
Davies, Keith	1	5	18	27.7	Singham, Mano	4	18	20	90.0
Davies, Reece	0	1	21	4.7	Smellie, Patrick	4	26	30	86.6
De Celis, Brian	3	3	3	100.0	Smith, Gordon	2	33	44	75.0
Decosta, Kaysee	0	1	18	5.5	Starks, Steve	0	13	44	29.5
Duff, Cameron`	2	5	7	71.4	Steindler, Andrew	2	4	16	25.0
Dunn, Michael	2	2	3	66.6	Syed, Mirwais	2	2	3	66.6
Du Plessis, Berend	0	3	11	27.2	Tabrett, Ian	3	15	17	88.2
Fairlie, Simon	3	9	11	81.8	Taylor, Chris	0	14	43	32.5
Finnemore, Clay	1	1	1	100.0	Taylor, Geoff	3	31	44	70.4
Fonseka, Jude	1	3	11	27.2	Thomson, Ian	0	5	41	12.1
Friend, Peter	1	38	44	86.3	Tribolet, Bref	2	15	41	36.5
Goodger, Darren	2	12	30	40.0	Turmanis, Juris	0	2	11	18.2
Goodman, David	1	12	42	28.5	Turner, Michael	1	7	11	63.6
Hanshaw, Glen	3	20	44	45.4	Turner, Peter	0	5	18	27.7
Harrison, Spencer	3	34	41	82.9	Vella, Aaron	1	14	19	73.6
Hendricks, Bill	0	1	6	16.6	Ward, Malcolm	3	19	25	76.0
Holland, Ivan	3	39	44	88.6	Watson, Arthur	1	15	30	50.0
Hughes, Mark	3	30	33	90.9	Wheeler, Geoff	4	22	26	84.6
Hunter, Kim	4	14	14	100.0	White, Graeme	0	2	10	20.0
Kenneally, Trevor	0	3	7	42.8	Whitehouse, Bruce	0	4	40	10.0
Khale, Shailesh	0	10	26	38.4	Williams, Chris	0	5	26	19.2
Kotak, Kamlesh	1	1	3	33.3	Wood, Stuart	1	16	22	72.7
Lees, Craig	1	1	2	50.0					
Madan, Ajit	2	13	23	56.5					
Maloney, Rob	0	5	33	15.1					

A number of general member's meetings (approximately 3 or 4 in total) held in seasons 2002-03 & 2003-04 have not been included in these statistics due to the minutes of these meetings being lost.



SYDNEY SHIRES FINALS SERIES

FIRST GRADE	Game	Home team	Away team	Umpires
2001-02	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Pennant Hills	S Blomfield / K Wentzel
	Quarter Final	Lindfield*	Burwood	B Parfett / S Starks
	Quarter Final	Warringah	Epping*	S Yeend / T Ralston
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Epping	S Blomfield / K Wentzel
	Semi Final	Lindfield*	Warringah	B Parfett / S Yeend
	Final	Lindfield*	South Sydney	B Parfett / S Yeend
2002-03	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Warringah	G Rush / P Kite†
	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Pennant Hills	J Moore / G Pepper
	Quarter Final	Burwood	South Sydney*	B Parfett / S Blomfield
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	Burwood	S Blomfield / B Parfett
	Semi Final	Auburn*	South Sydney	J Moore / G Pepper
	Final	Strathfield*	Auburn	J Moore / B Parfett
2003-04	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Burwood	J Moore / S Blomfield
	Quarter Final	Auburn	South Sydney*	B Parfett / A Green
	Quarter Final	Pennant Hills*	Lindfield	R Gandevia / P Friend
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	Auburn	J Moore / B Parfett
	Semi Final	Pennant Hills	South Sydney*	S Blomfield / P Friend
	Final	Strathfield*	South Sydney	J Moore / B Parfett
2004-05	Quarter Final	Strathfield	Pennant Hills*	C Taylor / J Moore
	Quarter Final	South Sydney	Auburn*	P Friend / B Osseweyer
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Burwood	S Blomfield / A Hinks
	Semi Final	Warringah	Strathfield*	S Blomfield / P Friend
	Semi Final	Auburn	Pennant Hills*	J Moore / A Green
	Final	Strathfield*	Pennant Hills	J Moore / A Green
2005-06	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Auburn	C Taylor / B Osseweyer
	Quarter Final	Warringah	Burwood*	S Blomfield / P Friend
	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Pennant Hills	A Green / N Wennerbom†
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Warringah	A Green / C Taylor
	Semi Final	Lane Cove	Burwood*	S Blomfield / B Osseweyer
	Final	South Sydney	Burwood*	A Green / C Taylor
2006-07	Quarter Final	Pennant Hills*	Auburn	S Harrison / C Taylor
	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Burwood	S Blomfield / P Friend
	Quarter Final	Lane Cove	Strathfield*	J Moore / P Mooney
	Semi Final	Pennant Hills*	Lane Cove	S Blomfield / P Friend
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Strathfield	J Moore / C Taylor
	Final	Pennant Hills	South Sydney*	C Taylor / P Friend
2007-08	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Strathfield	M Hughes / A Green
	Quarter Final	Pennant Hills	Auburn*	T Kingsford-Smith / P Mooney
	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni	Epping*	S Blomfield / B Whitehouse
	Semi Final	South Sydney	Pennant Hills*	P Mooney / P Friend
	Semi Final	Epping*	Auburn	S Blomfield / B Whitehouse
	Final	Pennant Hills*	Epping	S Blomfield / P Friend
2008-09	Quarter Final	Pennant Hills*	NW Sydney	M Hughes / T Kingsford-Smith
	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Epping	S Blomfield / P Friend
	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Lindfield	A Green / C Taylor
	Semi Final	Pennant Hills*	Lindfield	M Hughes / S Blomfield
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Strathfield	C Taylor / P Friend
	Final	Pennant Hills	South Sydney*	C Taylor / P Friend

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FIRST GRADE

	Game	Home team	Away team	Umpires
2009-10	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Epping	P Friend / C Taylor
	Quarter Final	Auburn	NW Sydney*	P Mooney / G Wheeler
	Quarter Final	Warringah	South Sydney*	S Blomfield / B Tribolet
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	Auburn	C Taylor / B Tribolet
	Semi Final	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
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	NW Sydney	C Taylor / P Mooney
	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Auburn	B Tribolet / P Friend
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	Auburn	P Mooney / P Friend
	Semi Final	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
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Macquarie Uni	B Tribolet / M Wheeler
	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Strathfield	D Goodger / C Taylor
	Semi Final	Lane Cove*	Strathfield	C Taylor / B Tribolet
	Semi Final	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
	Quarter Final	Lane Cove	Lindfield*	A Vella / C Taylor
	Quarter Final	Auburn	Epping*	S Blomfield / I Tabrett
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Lane Cove	P Friend / C Taylor
	Semi Final	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
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Epping	S Blomfield / M Ward
	Quarter Final	Roseville	NW Sydney*	P Mooney / B Whitehouse
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Macquarie Uni	P Mooney / M Wheeler
	Semi Final	NW Sydney	Burwood*	B Whitehouse / S Blomfield
	Grand Final	Warringah	Burwood*	S Blomfield / B Whitehouse
2014-15	Quarter Final	Georges River*	Lindfield	S Blomfield / A Raymond
	Quarter Final	Burwood	Macquarie Uni*	D Burton / G Taylor
	Quarter Final	MP-Southern Dist	NW Sydney*	G Riley / I Tabrette
	Semi Final	Georges River	Burwood*	S Blomfield / A Raymond
	Semi Final	NW Sydney*	Macquarie Uni	D Burton / G Taylor
	Grand Final	NW Sydney	Burwood*	S Blomfield / A Raymond

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SECOND GRADE

	<i>Game</i>	<i>Home team</i>	<i>Away team</i>	<i>Umpires</i>
2001-02	Quarter Final	South Sydney	Blacktown*	P Friend / B Leadert
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Holroyd Hills	D Keierleber / P Kite†
	Quarter Final	Pennant Hills	Warringah*	I Holland / T Shiner
	Semi Final	Burwood*	South Sydney	T Shiner / T Ralston
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Blacktown	S Starks / P Friend
	Final	Burwood	Warringah*	S Blomfield / K Wentzel
2002-03	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Roseville	G Richards / A Gale
	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Warringah	G Smith / G Taylor
	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Holroyd Hills	K Buckland / P Mooney†
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Holroyd Hills	G Taylor / A Gale
	Semi Final	Strathfield	South Sydney*	G Rush / N Carsont
	Final	Burwood*	South Sydney	S Blomfield / G Pepper
2003-04	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Lane Cove	G Smith / B Osseweyer
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Epping	C Taylor / J Shellens
	Quarter Final	Pennant Hills*	South Sydney	G Taylor / J McKinnon
	Semi Final	Burwood*	South Sydney	J McKinnon / A Green
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Pennant Hills	R Gandevia / C Taylor
	Final	Burwood	Warringah*	S Blomfield / P Friend
2004-05	Quarter Final	Burwood	Lane Cove*	G Taylor / P Tatet
	Quarter Final	Holroyd Hills*	Strathfield	I Holland / G Smith
	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Lindfield	R Gandevia / J Shellens
	Semi Final	Holroyd Hills*	Burwood	A Hinks / B Osseweyer
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Lane Cove	C Taylor / R Gandevia
	Final	Holroyd Hills*	South Sydney	S Blomfield / P Friend
2005-06	Quarter Final	Burwood	Auburn*	G Roche / B Davist
	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Holroyd Hills	S Harrison / G Taylor
	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Warringah	J Shellens / T Bird
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Burwood	G Roche / P Friend
	Semi Final	Lane Cove*	Auburn	S Harrison / T Bird
	Final	Lane Cove*	South Sydney	S Blomfield / B Osseweyer
2006-07	Quarter Final	Burwood*	South Sydney	K Buckland / C Kearney
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Auburn	J Shellens / G Smith
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney*	Lindfield	G Hanshaw / I Holland
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Lindfield	G Hanshaw / S Harrison
	Semi Final	Warringah*	NW Sydney	J Shellens / P Mooney
	Final	Burwood*	Warringah	S Blomfield / J Moore
2007-08	Quarter Final	Auburn	Lindfield*	R Mathews / J Shellens
	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Burwood	G Smith / A Charlesworth
	Quarter Final	Roseville*	Pennant Hills	S Harrison / C Jones
	Semi Final	Lane Cove*	Auburn	A Green / T Kingsford-Smith
	Semi Final	Roseville*	Lindfield	M Hughes / J Shellens
	Final	Lane Cove	Roseville*	B Whitehouse / P Mooney
2008-09	Quarter Final	Lindfield*	Strathfield	P Mooney / T Schokman
	Quarter Final	Pennant Hills*	Georges River	G Taylor / J Shellens
	Quarter Final	Auburn	Burwood*	G Smith / D Goodman
	Semi Final	Lindfield	Auburn*	T Kingsford-Smith / J Shellens
	Semi Final	Pennant Hills	Burwood*	B Whitehouse / A Green
	Final	Burwood*	Auburn	S Blomfield / M Hughes

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	Game	Home team	Away team	Umpires
2009-10	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Macquarie Uni	G Smith / G Taylor
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney	Warringah*	M Wheeler / J Shellens
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Lane Cove	K Ramakrishnan / R Maloney
	Semi Final	Auburn*	NW Sydney	S Blomfield / B Breakspear
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Warringah	K Ramakrishnan / G Wheeler
	Final	Auburn*	Burwood	S Blomfield / B Tribolet
2010-11	Quarter Final	NW Sydney*	Lane Cove	S Harrison / D Martin
	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Auburn	J Shellens / G Wheeler
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Burwood	S Wood / K Ramakrishnan
	Semi Final	NW Sydney*	Burwood	C Taylor / G Wheeler
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	Warringah	J Shellens / M Wheeler
	Final	NW Sydney	Strathfield*	S Blomfield / P Friend
2011-12	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Epping	I Tabrett / G Wheeler
	Quarter Final	Lane Cove	Auburn*	G Smith / R Mathews
	Quarter Final	Burwood	Warringah*	P Friend / A Vella
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	Lane Cove	P Mooney / R Mathews
	Semi Final	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
	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Roseville	S Harrison / R Mathews
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Warringah	P Mooney / G Stubbings
	Semi Final	Epping	Burwood*	S Harrison / I Tabrett
	Semi Final	Lane Cove*	Warringah	G Wheeler / M Wheeler
	Grand Final	Lane Cove	Burwood*	A Vella / M Wheeler
2013-14	Quarter Final	Burwood*	MP-Southern Dist	R Mathews / G Riley
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Roseville	P Friend / A Raymond
	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Epping	K Hunter / P Smellie
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Epping	P Friend / I Tabrett
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Auburn	A Raymond / R Mathews
	Grand Final	Burwood*	Warringah	P Mooney / M Wheeler
2014-15	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Lane Cove	R Mathews / R Damodaran
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Lindfield	K Hunter / M Roberts
	Quarter Final	Georges River*	NW Sydney	P Mooney / G Wheeler
	Semi Final	Burwood*	NW Sydney	R Mathews / G Wheeler
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Georges River	G Riley / I Tabrett
	Grand Final	Burwood	Warringah*	D Burton / G Taylor

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THIRD GRADE	<i>Game</i>	<i>Home team</i>	<i>Away team</i>	<i>Umpires</i>
2001-02	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Cant/Bexley	G Pepper / L Buckingham†
	Quarter Final	Auburn	Strathfield*	B Goddard† / L Kain†
	Quarter Final	Burwood	South Sydney*	C Kearney / G Chudleigh†
	Semi Final	Warringah	Auburn*	G Pepper / L Borg†
	Semi Final	South Sydney	Strathfield*	I Holland / T Kingsford-Smith†
	Final	Strathfield	Auburn*	P Friend / S Starks
2002-03	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Warringah	K Dhandapani / D Tyson†
	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni	Lindfield*	R Gandevia / C King†
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Strathfield	I Holland / B Lalor†
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Macquarie Uni	T Shiner / I Holland
	Semi Final	Burwood	Lindfield*	G Richards / H Owent
	Final	South Sydney*	Lindfield	G Taylor / G Rush
2003-04	Quarter Final	Auburn	Macquarie Uni*	I Holland / N Carsont
	Quarter Final	South Sydney	Burwood*	D Timbst / B Wylie†
	Quarter Final	Holroyd Hills	Warringah*	T Schokman/T Kingsford-Smith†
	Semi Final	Warringah	Auburn*	G Taylor / B Osseweyer
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Macquarie Uni	G Smith / J Shellens
	Final	Burwood*	Auburn	A Green / R Gandevia
2004-05	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Strathfield	T Bird / D Tyson†
	Quarter Final	Roseville	Macquarie Uni*	T Schokman / G Richards
	Quarter Final	Warringah	South Sydney*	I Thomson / B Hammond
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Roseville	G Smith / J Shellens
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Macquarie Uni	G Taylor / I Holland
	Final	Burwood*	South Sydney	A Hinks / C Taylor
2005-06	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Strathfield	G Smith / N Carson†
	Quarter Final	Burwood	Macquarie Uni*	K Buckland / K Leahy†
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	South Sydney	G Richards / D Ponsford
	Semi Final	Auburn	Burwood*	J Shellens / G Richards
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Macquarie Uni	G Taylor / K Buckland
	Final	Warringah	Burwood*	G Roche / P Friend
2006-07	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Auburn	C Jones / T Schokman
	Quarter Final	South Sydney	Macquarie Uni*	R Christen / P Coleman
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney	Lane Cove*	G Richards / P Chambiras
	Semi Final	Burwood*	South Sydney	G Smith / I Holland
	Semi Final	Lane Cove*	Macquarie Uni	K Buckland / C Jones
	Final	Burwood*	Lane Cove	S Harrison / G Hanshaw
2007-08	Quarter Final	Pennant Hills*	Roseville	P Coleman / R Christen
	Quarter Final	Burwood	Macquarie Uni*	G Richards / I Holland
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	NW Sydney	T Schokman / P Smellie
	Semi Final	Pennant Hills*	Burwood	S Harrison / R Mathews
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Macquarie Uni	G Smith / C Jones
	Final	Pennant Hills	Warringah*	M Hughes / J Shellens

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	Game	Home team	Away team	Umpires
2008-09	Quarter Final	Auburn*	NW Sydney	I Holland / D Ponsford
	Quarter Final	Georges River	Lane Cove*	R Mathews / T Parker
	Quarter Final	Burwood	Warringah*	M Wheeler / R Gandevia
	Semi Final	Auburn	Georges River*	G Smith / G Taylor
	Semi Final	Warringah	Lane Cove*	D Goodman / P Mooney
	Final	Lane Cove	Georges River*	T Kingsford-Smith / A Green
2009-10	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Lindfield	S Wood / I Bowman
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney*	Lane Cove	S Harrison / T Schokman
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Georges River	T Kingsford-Smith / R Mathews
	Semi Final	Auburn*	Georges River	G Smith / J Shellens
	Semi Final	NW Sydney*	Burwood	M Wheeler / G Taylor
	Final	Auburn*	NW Sydney	B Breakspear / G Wheeler
2010-11	Quarter Final	Warringah*	NW Sydney	B Baxter / T Schokman
	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Roseville	I Bowman / M Ward
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Strathfield	B Shield / A Vella
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Strathfield	S Harrison / A Vella
	Semi Final	Auburn	Burwood*	S Wood / D Martin
	Final	Warringah	Burwood*	C Taylor / M Wheeler
2011-12	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Strathfield	S Harrison / M Ward
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Warringah	B Shield / I Bowman
	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	NW Sydney	J Shellens / S Wood
	Semi Final	Auburn	NW Sydney*	P Friend / I Tabrett
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Lane Cove	G Smith / G Wheeler
	Grand Final	Burwood*	NW Sydney	P Mooney / M Wheeler
2012-13	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Lindfield	G Riley / B Shield
	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Georges River	M Ward / T Bergman
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney	Warringah*	K Hunter / S Wood
	Semi Final	Burwood*	NW Sydney	R Mathews / G Riley
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	Warringah	P Mooney / G Taylor
	Grand Final	Burwood*	Strathfield	G Wheeler / I Tabrett
2013-14	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni*	Strathfield	G Taylor / C Duff
	Quarter Final	Burwood	Epping*	S Harrison / I Newsom
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney*	Warringah	S Clements / T Bergman
	Semi Final	Macquarie Uni*	Burwood	S Harrison / K Hunter
	Semi Final	NW Sydney	Epping*	G Riley / P Smellie
	Grand Final	Macquarie Uni*	Epping	I Tabrett / P Friend
2014-15	Quarter Final	Burwood*	NW Sydney	S Harrison / R Crocono
	Quarter Final	Georges River	Strathfield*	I Bowman / W Moore
	Quarter Final	Warringah	Macquarie Uni*	P Smellie / T Bergman
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Georges River	S Harrison / P Mooney
	Semi Final	Macquarie Uni	Strathfield*	K Hunter / P Smellie
	Grand Final	Burwood	Strathfield*	G Riley / I Tabrett

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FOURTH GRADE

	<i>Game</i>	<i>Home team</i>	<i>Away team</i>	<i>Umpires</i>
2001-02	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Roseville	R Rajogopalan / A Greent
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Epping	M Jones† / G Callaway†
	Quarter Final	Blacktown*	Holroyd Hills	N Wennebom† / C King†
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Holroyd Hills	C Kearney / R Rajogopalan
	Semi Final	Warringah	Blacktown*	M Beaumont† / N Carsont
	Final	South Sydney	Blacktown*	T Shiner / T Ralston
2002-03	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Auburn	J Shellens / P Hoopert
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Georges River	D Goodman / B Wylie†
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Lane Cove	M Verrant / K Leahy†
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Lane Cove	G Smith / L Buckingham†
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Burwood	K Buckland / T Kingsford-Smith†
	Final	South Sydney*	Warringah	G Smith / A Gale
2003-04	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Auburn	C Weirt / P Honeywill†
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Macquarie Uni	S Harrison / G Redmant
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Roseville	E Nicholast / K Leahy†
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Roseville	I Holland / G Richards
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Warringah	B Whitehouse / S Harrison
	Final	South Sydney*	Burwood	G Smith / C Taylor
2004-05	Quarter Final	Holroyd Hills	Sth Districts*	C Weirt / L Kaint
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Roseville	G Roche / T Kingsford-Smith†
	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Warringah	B Whitehouse / S Starks
	Semi Final	Burwood	Holroyd Hills*	B Parfett / N Wennebom†
	Semi Final	South Sydney*	Sth Districts	G Richards / B Hammond
	Final	South Sydney*	Holroyd Hills	R Gandevia / B Osseweyer
2005-06	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Roseville	G Street / B Cheetham†
	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni*	Pennant Hills	T Schokman / K Ramakrishnant
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Auburn	W Luke / C Weirt
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Auburn	G Street / J Barnes†
	Semi Final	Macquarie Uni*	Warringah	I Holland / B Parfett
	Final	Burwood	Macquarie Uni*	S Harrison / T Bird
2006-07	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni*	Pennant Hills	I Thomson / B Davist
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Auburn	I Bowman / T Kershaw†
	Quarter Final	South Sydney*	Roseville	D Goodman / D Lenzot
	Semi Final	Macquarie Uni*	Roseville	P Coleman / G Richards
	Semi Final	Burwood	South Sydney*	R Christen / B Cheetham†
	Final	Macquarie Uni	South Sydney*	J Shellens / K Buckland
2007-08	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni*	NW Sydney	G Roche / I Bowman
	Quarter Final	Auburn	Lane Cove*	G Tunks / G Vercot
	Quarter Final	Lindfield	Georges River*	R Davist / K Ramakrishnant
	Semi Final	Macquarie Uni*	Auburn	A Charlesworth / G Richards
	Semi Final	Georges River	Lane Cove*	P Coleman / I Holland
	Final	Macquarie Uni*	Lane Cove	S Harrison/T Kingsford-Smith
2008-09	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni	Georges River*	I Bowman / B Breakspear
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Warringah	B Tribolet / R Christen
	Quarter Final	Auburn	Lindfield*	K Buckland / S McLean
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Macquarie Uni	K Buckland / R Mathews
	Semi Final	Lindfield*	Georges River	I Holland / T Parker
	Final	Burwood*	Lindfield	J Shellens / B Whitehouse

FOURTH GRADE

	<i>Game</i>	<i>Home team</i>	<i>Away team</i>	<i>Umpires</i>
2009-10	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni*	Georges River	J Moore / I Holland
	Quarter Final	Warringah	NW Sydney*	B Shield / T Parker
	Quarter Final	Auburn	Burwood*	L Deacon / R Christen
	Semi Final	Macquarie Uni*	Warringah	S Harrison / I Bowman
	Semi Final	Burwood	NW Sydney*	T Parker / R Mathews
	Final	Macquarie Uni	NW Sydney*	J Shellens / M Wheeler
2010-11	Quarter Final	Warringah*	NW Sydney	R Jaensch / I Holland
	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni*	Lane Cove	T Parker / S Arora
	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Burwood	R Christen / R Mathews
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Burwood	I Holland / K Ramakrishnan
	Semi Final	Macquarie Uni*	Strathfield	I Bowman / B Baxter
	Final	Warringah	Macquarie Uni*	J Shellens / G Wheeler
2011-12	Quarter Final	Strathfield	Lane Cove*	T Schokman / P Smellie
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney	Macquarie Uni*	R Christen / T Bergman
	Quarter Final	Epping*	Burwood	T Parker / G Riley
	Semi Final	Epping*	Strathfield	S Harrison / S Wood
	Semi Final	Macquarie Uni	Lane Cove*	J Shellens / T Bergman
	Grand Final	Epping	Lane Cove*	A Vella / R Mathews
2012-13	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Pennant Hills	B Whitehouse / P Smellie
	Quarter Final	Warringah	NW Sydney*	D Ponsford / M Roberts
	Quarter Final	Strathfield	Georges River*	G Smith / I Holland
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Warringah	B Whitehouse / B Shield
	Semi Final	Georges River*	NW Sydney	T Bergman / M Ward
	Grand Final	Georges River*	Burwood	S Harrison / G Taylor
2013-14	Quarter Final	NW Sydney*	Lindfield	I Bowman / W Moore
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Warringah	D Ponsford / A Steindler
	Quarter Final	Epping	Georges River*	R Crocono / D Abbey†
	Semi Final	NW Sydney	Epping*	C Duff / T Bergman
	Semi Final	Burwood	Georges River*	G Taylor / I Bowman
	Grand Final	Georges River*	Epping	A Raymond / G Riley
2014-15	Quarter Final	Georges River*	NW Sydney	A Steindler / S Fairlie
	Quarter Final	Burwood	Warringah*	T Schokman / A Baker
	Quarter Final	Auburn	Epping*	I Holland / B De Celis
	Semi Final	Georges River	Burwood*	I Bowman / W Moore
	Semi Final	Epping	Warringah*	T Bergman / R Crocono
	Grand Final	Warringah	Burwood*	R Mathews / G Wheeler

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FRANK GRAY SHIELD

	<i>Game</i>	<i>Home team</i>	<i>Away team</i>	<i>Umpires</i>
2001-02	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Roseville	K Wentzel / C Kearney
	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Blacktown	T Shiner / G Taylor
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Pennant Hills	G Beasley / K Thorpe
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Pennant Hills	S Blomfield / G Beasley
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	Warringah	B Parfett / K Wentzel
	Final	Strathfield*	Burwood	B Parfett / S Yeend
2002-03	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Holroyd Hills	K Wentzel / K Buckland
	Quarter Final	Pennant Hills*	Sth Districts	B Parfett / K Dhandapani
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Auburn	B Whitehouse / G Rush
	Semi Final	Lane Cove*	Auburn	G Taylor / R Gandevia
	Semi Final	Pennant Hills	Burwood*	T Shiner / G Smith
	Final	Lane Cove	Burwood*	B Parfett / G Richards
2003-04	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Epping	J Shellens / J Moore
	Quarter Final	Sth Districts	Auburn*	B Whitehouse / G Rush
	Quarter Final	Georges River	Burwood*	G Smith / R Gandevia
	Semi Final	Lane Cove*	Sth Districts	S Blomfield / R Gandevia
	Semi Final	Burwood*	Auburn	B Parfett / B Whitehouse
	Final	Lane Cove	Burwood*	B Parfett / R Gandevia
2004-05	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Burwood	J Shellens / I Holland
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Pennant Hills	S Harrison / G Richards
	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Macquarie Uni	S Blomfield / B Osseweyer
	Semi Final	Lane Cove*	Macquarie Uni	G Taylor / B Whitehouse
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Auburn	R Gandevia / A Hinks
	Final	Lane Cove	Warringah*	R Gandevia / B Osseweyer
2005-06	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Macquarie Uni	J Shellens / S Blomfield
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Strathfield	S Harrison / B Osseweyer
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Epping	G Roche / I Holland
	Semi Final	Lane Cove	Burwood*	B Osseweyer / G Roche
	Semi Final	Warringah	Epping*	S Blomfield / G Taylor
	Final	Epping*	Burwood	B Osseweyer / G Roche
2006-07	Quarter Final	Lane Cove*	Strathfield	J Shellens / I Holland
	Quarter Final	Macquarie Uni	Auburn*	S Harrison / P Coleman
	Quarter Final	Sth Districts	Georges River*	S Blomfield / R Gandevia
	Semi Final	Lane Cove*	Macquarie Uni	G Smith / K Buckland
	Semi Final	Georges River	Auburn*	S Blomfield / J Shellens
	Final	Lane Cove*	Auburn	G Smith / K Buckland
2007-08	Quarter Final	Warringah	Roseville*	S Harrison / P Coleman
	Quarter Final	Sth Districts	Auburn*	B Whitehouse / I Holland
	Quarter Final	Georges River*	Strathfield	S Blomfield / M Hughes
	Semi Final	Georges River	Warringah*	T Kingsford-Smith / J Shellens
	Semi Final	Auburn*	Roseville	S Blomfield / B Whitehouse
	Final	Warringah*	Auburn	T Kingsford-Smith / J Shellens
2008-09	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Epping	S Blomfield / G Smith
	Quarter Final	Auburn*	Warringah	P Friend / J Shellens
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Sth Districts	T Parker / C Taylor
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	Sth Districts	S Blomfield / B Whitehouse
	Semi Final	Auburn*	Burwood	J Shellens / C Taylor
	Final	Strathfield*	Auburn	S Blomfield / C Taylor

SYDNEY SHIRES FINALS SERIES

FRANK GRAY SHIELD

	Game	Home team	Away team	Umpires
2009-10	Quarter Final	NW Sydney	Lindfield*	S Blomfield / G Wheeler
	Quarter Final	Auburn	Macquarie Uni*	M Wheeler / G Smith
	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Roseville	T Kingsford-Smith / J Shellens
	Semi Final	Strathfield*	NW Sydney	C Taylor / P Friend
	Semi Final	Macquarie Uni*	Lindfield	S Blomfield / J Shellens
	Final	Strathfield*	Macquarie Uni	C Taylor / P Friend
2010-11	Quarter Final	Warringah*	South Sydney	J Shellens / M Wheeler
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney	Lindfield*	S Blomfield / P Clift
	Quarter Final	Strathfield*	Epping	P Friend / C Taylor
	Semi Final	Warringah*	NW Sydney	M Wheeler / C Taylor
	Semi Final	Strathfield	Lindfield*	S Blomfield / P Friend
	Final	Warringah*	Lindfield	S Blomfield / C Taylor
2011-12	Quarter Final	Sth Districts	Strathfield*	S Blomfield / A Vella
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Burwood	D Goodger / C Taylor
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney*	Auburn	P Friend / M Wheeler
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Sth Districts	C Taylor / M Wheeler
	Semi Final	NW Sydney*	Strathfield	S Blomfield / D Goodger
	Grand Final	Warringah*	NW Sydney	D Goodger / C Taylor
2012-13	Quarter Final	Lindfield*	Strathfield	S Blomfield / M Wheeler
	Quarter Final	NW Sydney	Epping*	P Friend / I Tabrett
	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Sth Districts	A Vella / B Tribolet
	Semi Final	Lindfield	NW Sydney*	C Taylor / I Tabrett
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Epping	S Blomfield / A Vella
	Grand Final	Warringah*	NW Sydney	S Blomfield / C Taylor
2013-14	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Macquarie Uni	P Friend / R Mathews
	Quarter Final	Georges River*	Burwood	G Riley / I Tabrett
	Quarter Final	Epping*	NW Sydney	S Blomfield / M Wheeler
	Semi Final	Warringah*	NW Sydney	P Mooney / B Whitehouse
	Semi Final	Georges River*	Epping	S Blomfield / I Tabrett
	Grand Final	Warringah*	Georges River	S Blomfield / P Mooney
2014-15	Quarter Final	Warringah*	Roseville	P Mooney / R Mathews
	Quarter Final	Georges River*	Lindfield	A Raymond / I Tabrett
	Quarter Final	Burwood*	Epping	S Blomfield / G Taylor
	Semi Final	Warringah*	Epping	S Blomfield / A Raymond
	Semi Final	Georges River*	Burwood	G Taylor / I Tabrett
	Grand Final	Warringah	Georges River*	S Blomfield / G Taylor

* 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



