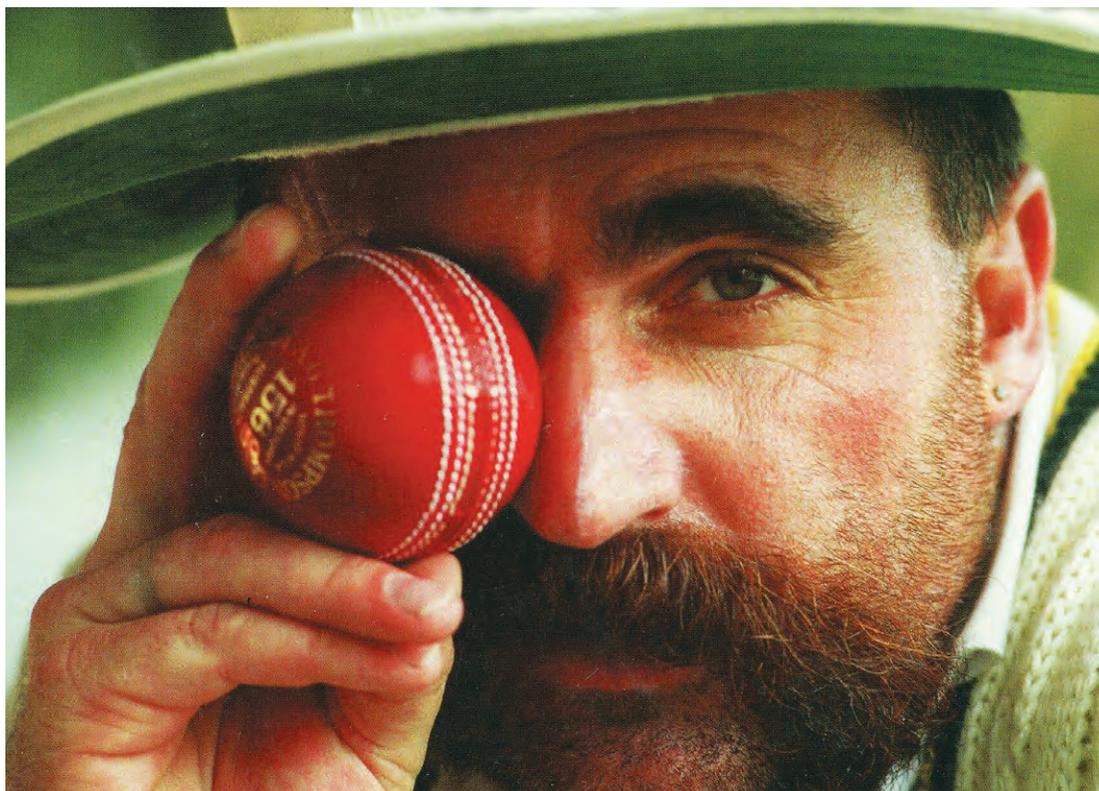




WINTER NOSTALGIA LUNCHEON: Featuring THE GREAT MERV HUGHES



Long-time ACS ambassadors Merv Hughes is guest of honour at our annual winter nostalgia luncheon at the Kelvin Club on Friday, June 30. Do join us for an entertaining afternoon of reminiscing, story-telling and hilariously good fun - what a way to end the financial year!

Merv remains one of the foremost personalities in Australian cricket. His record of four wickets per Test match and 212 wickets in all Tests remains a tribute to his skill, tenacity and longevity. Standing 6ft 4in in the old measure Merv still has his bristling handle-bar moustache and is a crowd favourite with rare people skills. And to think that Ian Chappell once said of him "The trouble with Merv Hughes is that he thinks he is a fast bowler!" This should be another great Society occasion, so do put it down in your diary and plan to be there with a friend. We'd love to pack our upstairs room.

**Friday, 30 June, 2017,
12 noon for a 12.25
start, The Kelvin
Club, Melbourne
Place (off Russell
Street), CBD.**

COST: \$75 - members & members' partners; \$85 - non-members.

TO GUARANTEE YOUR PLACE: Bookings are essential. This event will sell out. Bookings and moneys need to be in the hands of the Society's Treasurer, Brian Tooth at P.O. Box 435, Doncaster Heights, Vic. 3109 by no later than Tuesday, 27 June, 2017. Cheques should be made payable to the Australian Cricket Society. Payment by electronic transfer please to ACS: BSB 633-000 Acc. No. 143226314. Please record your name and the names of any guests for whom you are paying. Please label your payment MERV followed by your surname - e.g. - MERVMANNING. Brian's phone number for contact is 0400-501-473. His email address is batooth@hotmail.com

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SOUTH AFRICA - 2018 - JUST FIVE PLACES LEFT

The travel arm of the Australian Cricket Society continues to offer delightful sojourns at overseas Test venues. Next autumn twenty of us will be visiting Cape Town and Johannesburg, as part of an unforgettable and highly affordable South African experience. Fifteen have so far committed, and if you do wish to join us, do act now and talk to our travel partners Events Worldwide.

We are touring from March 20 to April 4, 2018 - with the option of exciting must-see add-ons at Kruger National Game Park and Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe from April 4 - 9. Our hotels are booked and we have negotiated a most competitive price with many exciting extras, thanks to our longtime travel partners Glenn and Gayle Hedley from Events Worldwide who have again coordinated our itinerary in consultation with tour hosts ACS President Ken Piesse and his wife Susan.

"This is our sixth ACS/ Events tour and as always we travel with no more than twenty, ensuring a fraternity and intimacy", said Ken. "You are also guaranteed Test tickets in the best available positions and the opportunity to meet and greet some famous players.

"In between the two Tests, in Cape Town and Johannesburg, we have two nights in Stellenbosch. We also have membership of two



Beautiful Newlands Cricket Ground-Capetown

private clubs in both Cape Town and Johannesburg, so we cater both for those who love cricket and also those who want to see and experience the sights."

Our Hotels: Cape Town: Breakwater Lodge - March 20 - 27; Stellenbosch - Protea Hotel - March 27 - 29; Johannesburg - The Wanderers - March 29 - April 4.

Booking Hotline: (03) 5989 7666. Ask for Claire or Victoria - or visit Ken Piesse's website and download the brochure: www.cricketbooks.com.au

The President's Piesse

MY NEW BOOK: "HEROES OF THE HOUR"

Winter time is always an opportunity for those of us who love their cricket books to enjoy some lazy Sundays in front of the wood fire with two or three new books. I have been busy this autumn completing my new book "Heroes of the Hour", to be published in October. Hopefully it can be another 'Ken Piesse' title on your bookshelf.

Here is a sample:

Cricket folklore revolves around the extraordinary. From the heroics of Don Bradman's Invincibles at Leeds in 1948 to Mark Waugh's steely matchwinning 100 at Port Elizabeth in 1997 and David Warner's exuberant century before lunch in Sydney in 2017, we thrive on the game's signature moments.

Ashes performances define a cricketer's true worth. Dennis Lillee, Steve Waugh, Steve Smith, Ricky Ponting.....they have all delivered when it was most crucial; against the English.

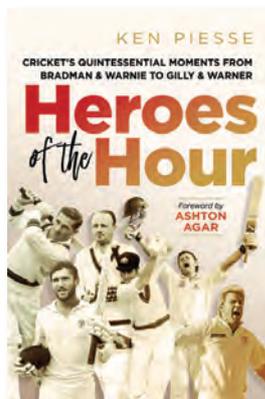
For key occasions when Tests have been turned by a ball, a catch, or a fabulous innings, cricket purists can tell you their exact location, even their row and seat number.

When Warne famously flipped Richie Richardson at the MCG I was positioned five

rows back almost directly behind the wicket in the old Cigar Stand at the MCG with my mate Graham Wilson from the Four Kinsmen. The commentators initially called it a googly, but Warnie rarely bowled one.

Initially he'd worried that it would bounce twice. Instead he perfected a slider and then a quicker one again, his famed flipper first learnt from the Cricket Academy's Jack Potter before refinements encouraged by his long-time mentor Terry Jenner. Watching on tv that early afternoon from his home in Glenelg, 'TJ' almost jumped out of his lounge chair as the ball scuttled under Richardson's bat and zeroed into his middle and off stumps. It was every coach's dream ball.

Years earlier, also in Melbourne, everyone's hero, high-powered pace man Graham McKenzie took six wickets all before lunch on the gloomiest of late December days against the Nawab of Pataudi's startled Indians. It was 15, maybe 16 degrees, but with the southerly blowing straight down the ground from the Antarctic it felt like 10. My dad, mum and I were all huddled together in our jumpers and coats. But the cricket was electric. Garth bowled like the wind.



I was there when Steve Waugh smote the final delivery of the day from Richard Dawson through extra cover to bring up his century at the Sydney Cricket Ground in early 2003. Everyone in the press box jumped to their feet in acclamation. Later, when Steve entered the press conference area with that Charlie Chaplin walk of his, the whole media contingent stood and applauded. Even the Poms. The buzz around the Australian team at practice the following morning was amazing. Everyone wanted to talk about it.

A decade later, in July 2013, we were with 400 equally animated Aussies in Nottingham in a big barn of a room on the eve of the first Test in Robin Hood country. Ashes trio Nathan Lyon, James Faulkner, and Matthew Wade, all in official Australian garb, were among the guests of honour. It was clear Faulkner and Wade were reserves, but surely not Lyon. He'd taken a 'seven-for' in his last Test appearance, just three months earlier. As soon as the speeches finished, I bowled up to Australia's spin king and suggested that he should be back at the Park Plaza 'resting up for tomorrow'.

'Oh, they haven't picked the team yet,' he said.

As the team's frontline spinner, Lyon had every right to think he would be among the first selected, but he already knew he was in the backblocks. He just couldn't say so publicly. We were being thrown a curve ball.

The President's Piesse

These were bizarre days for Australian cricket. Humbled 4-nil by India in autumn, four players had been suspended for not completing a mid-tour homework chore. It was the most pie-eyed, ludicrous administrative bungle in Australia's cricket history. Those disciplined included the vice-captain Shane Watson who went home temporarily, very publicly questioning the worth of High Performance Manager Pat Howard and castigating him for his role in the stand-downs. A week later he was back in India as the team's stand-in captain!

The once proud leaders of the cricket world were losing face like never before. Just days into the new tour the head coach was sacked and frontline batsman David Warner sent to Siberia. Two reinforcements, Steve Smith and teenager Ashton Agar, were lifted into the group, totally from left field. Was veteran selection chairman John Inverarity publicly admitting he'd bungled the selection of the original 16? That night 'Invers' was out to dinner at the same venue as our Australian Cricket Society Ashes party. Our conversation was light and short and revolved around the event which we'd all just attended - and the composition of next day's team. 'Picked a good XI Invers?' 'Hope so.' Any shocks?' 'Not to us.'

The following morning, bright and early, our group marched into historic Trent Bridge, the one-time home of old Bodyliners Harold Larwood and Bill Voce. Directly

ahead of us on the arena just in front of the dressing rooms stood the unmistakable figure of Glenn McGrath. The pace legend, in a huddle with Michael Clarke and the Australian squad, was handing over a brand new baggy green to a tall, tanned kid, unknown to most of our ACS tourists. It was Agar, the athletic bowling allrounder from De La Salle College, lured west to fast-track his first-class ambitions. Australia had selected a first-game smoky, so unknown that a week earlier his own captain had to introduce himself. He'd never even seen him play. Agar's parents John and Sonia and younger brothers Will and Wes were also there, having just flown in from Melbourne. They'd been told of young Ash's selection 36 hours earlier. Agar, 19, was to be Australia's specialist spinner and bat at number 11. One of the officiating umpires, Kumara Dharmasena, a former Test spinner, asked Clarke about Agar's bowling. 'He's good,' said Clarke. 'But he's an even better batsman.' Agar's debut was astonishing. Australia was being pummelled early before the little-known teenager scored 98 in a remarkable 163-run 10th wicket stand with Phillip Hughes. Australia lost what was to become an epic match, but Agar was the hero of the hour.....and the inspiration behind this book.

"Heroes of the Hour" will be available from www.cricketbooks.com.au from October at a cost of \$50 posted.

For your diary



Christmas 2017 Dinner Special Guest- Geoff Boycott

DECEMBER 27, 2017: Our annual Christmas function at Kooyong this year features one of the icons of Yorkshire & English cricket Geoff Boycott.

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OUR 50TH ANNUAL DINNER, KOOYONG, FRIDAY, 10 MARCH

There was a distinguished gathering of 125 members, sponsors and friends at this red-letter function in the Society's history - our 50th annual dinner once again held at the mighty Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club.

We were all eagerly awaiting the commencement of proceedings on this historic occasion. Right on cue, our president Ken Piesse introduced Australian quintessential tenor David Hobson, who with his musical director David Cameron, proceeded to entertain us all with a bracket of songs drawn from his favourite fields of light opera and musical comedy. Among the more memorable songs was the famous love song Shenandoah, a classic that Paul Robeson used to also sing many, many moons ago. David's 20-minute bracket was greeted with thunderous applause. What an honour for us to have David appear!

It was a splendid start to our gala night.

The Toast To Cricket

The doyens of sports broadcasters Tim Lane led us for our traditional Toast to Cricket. Tim, who is a veteran of more than five decades



Tim Lane, Mike Hussey, David Hobson and Ken Piesse at the 50th Annual Dinner.

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of sports broadcasting, began by tracing his lifelong love of cricket back to his earliest days of childhood when his father began taking him to various inter-club and interstate cricket matches in his native Tasmania, almost as soon as he could walk. He recalled being enthralled by the broadcast of the tied Test match in Brisbane against the West Indies back in 1960. He remembered how his attention was caught and retained by the magical voice of John Arlott when the Australians played various Ashes series against the old enemy in the years following the tied Test match. He also reminisced for some little time about the Packer years and how the face of cricket had been changed forever - mostly for the better - because of the pervading influence of those World Series Cricket years. Finally, before calling upon his audience to charge their glasses and drink with him the immortal toast to cricket, he made a passing reference to Australia's recently concluded tour of India and the thrilling and highly competitive cricket which had been played by both sides, which was a great credit to the game, he concluded.

Life Memberships

Our President, Ken Piesse had much pleasure in presenting Life Memberships

to two foundation members of the Society who had served the organization in various official capacities during its fifty year history. The two gentlemen - Andrew Woolfe on behalf of his father Ken Woolfe and David Jukes were warmly applauded as they received certificates of life membership. Both had joined the ACS in 1967-68, Ken serving a stint as president and David being assistant-secretary in the early days.

The Presentation of Awards

The President then proceeded to present Society awards to the following cricketers who had achieved distinction during the 2016-17 season:

Young Cricketers of the Year - The Steve Mason Trophies: Will Pucovski & Annabel Sutherland.

The ACS Best Wandering XI Cricketer Award - the Box-Grainger Trophy: Mark Browning

The Richard Elvins Memorial Trophy for the Best Over 60s Player: Peter Robertson

Our Guest of Honour

Mike Hussey, 'Mr Cricket' himself was the Society's guest of honour on this historic occasion.

In a colourful and fluent speech, Mike proceeded to entertain his enraptured audience with a priceless stream of reminiscences during which he revealed much about himself and his cricketing career. The following are a few highlights from his talk, which was one of the most absorbing which the Editor has listened to in the fifty year history of the Society.

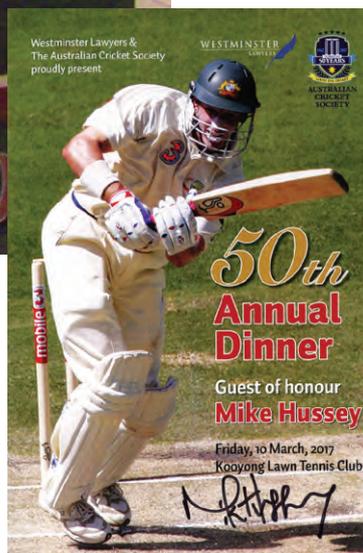
After thanking Ken for his generous introduction, Mike told us a little about how he came to acquire the tag of 'Mr. Cricket'. He started being called 'Mr.Cricket' when he was playing county cricket for Durham on a cold, miserable day. He was batting in a match against Lancashire. He was charging up and down the wicket enjoying his batting, calling for every run and sneaking a few quick singles. Andrew Flintoff was playing for Lancashire. Turning to Brad Hodge, the overseas professional for Lancashire at the time, he said "Hodgey, who on earth is this guy? He must love cricket more than anyone I know. He must be 'Mr.Cricket'"

Unfortunately, Brad Hodge brought it back to Australia, and informed Andrew Symonds, and Andrew Symonds did not let the world forget. So the tag stuck more or less permanently.

Mike told us how much he admired Allan Border. He loved the passionate uncompromising left-handed way he played his cricket. He even changed his own batting style from right-handed to left-handed, just to bat like AB. Later on when 'Hus' was in the Australia A squad which was under Allan Border's guidance

at the time, Mike told us how the great Australian batsman and coach was instrumental in teaching the young Hussey the vital importance of learning how to bat all day in a match. On one occasion when there was a blank Saturday on which there was no play, Border had his charges batting and fielding all day just for the experience. Mike recalled that this experience was quite vital in teaching him how to bat for long periods of time, something for which he became noted throughout his Test career during which, he said, the example of Allan Border was his inspiration.

Mike looked back over his long apprenticeship with WA in the Sheffield Shield competition. He told us how valuable it was in teaching him how to play the game. He said that it was only when he decided to simply play his way and enjoy his cricket at



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Shield level that he began to produce performances which were consistent enough to enable him to come into contention for a Test batting spot. When at last he got his opportunity to play his first Test match in Brisbane against the West Indies at the ripe old age of 30, as the result of an injury to Australia's WA opener Justin Langer, Mike said he was ready, though highly apprehensive. At last he was in the Australian team with some of his heroes – Glenn McGrath, Shane Warne, Matthew Hayden and Ricky Ponting – and he wasn't going to let this opportunity slip. Although he didn't set the world on fire in that first Test match in Brisbane it wasn't long before he became a regular member of the Australian side.

Our guest of honour told us that undoubtedly the most difficult bowler whom he had to face in international cricket was little Murali from Sri Lanka who used to approach the bowling crease with big brown eyes which seemingly penetrated right through you and then delivered a ball from a very dodgy bent arm action. He could turn the ball either way without you the batsman knowing which way it was going to turn. That was quite scary for you when you were batting, Mike said.

Our guest of honour paid a warm tribute to John Buchanan for his coaching methods when he was in charge of the Australian team. His understanding of people and personalities was second to none, Mike said. He motivated his players according to their different personalities. The first group of players he called the 'moozies' – guys like Ponting and Symonds who played on instinct. The second group were the enforcers – guys like Hayden and Warne who liked to dominate the opposition, whilst the third group of players were the thinkers who needed to have everything organized

and planned, among whom 'Hus' included himself. The last group Buchanan called 'the feelers'. These guys, 'Hus' said were guys like Nathan Lyon who needed a bit of love. They needed to be told how important their contribution to the overall success of the team was. At times our guest said, he numbered himself in this group. Whatever you might think of this approach to coaching, the fact was, it worked. Buchanan presided over one of the most successful eras in Australian cricket.

One of the most dramatic days in Mike's career was Day 5 of the Adelaide Test match in the 2006-7 Ashes series. England had made 550, and Australia had replied with a score of 500. England began the last day of the match one down for 50 or 60 runs. The match looked for all money to be heading towards a draw. Ponting the captain and Buchanan the coach called a team meeting before play on Day 5 and challenged the team with the fact that instead of allowing the match to peter out into a tame draw, they could win it if they focused on victory and went all out to win it. Ponting challenged the team to go flat out for wickets. Quick wickets would be the key to making victory possible.

The Australians were well equipped for the task. They had the great Shane Warne who bowled almost non-stop from one end, allowing the captain to rotate his quicks from the other end. Warne got the England opener Strauss out. There was a run-out. One by one the England wickets fell. You could feel the tension growing in the England camp as the wickets fell, whilst the belief that victory was possible grew amongst the Aussie team members. In the end the Australians dismissed England by tea time on this dramatic last day leaving the Australians to make 160-odd runs in the last session to win the match. History records

that Australia won and our guest of honour was there during most of that electric final innings to savour the taste of a great victory. What a win!

Mike told us the story of how he came to inherit the custodianship of the team song from Justin Langer when he retired and how he came to the decision to pass the honour onto Nathan Lyon when in his turn he retired. He based his decision on a number of characteristics which he wanted to pass on to the next generation of Australian Test players – such characteristics as respect for the baggy green cap, respect for the game, and respect for past players and the history and tradition of the game. Looking back on the way Nathan Lyon has conducted himself since inheriting the custodianship of the team song from 'Hus' our guest of honour can be well pleased with his decision when he retired from the Australian Test team.

Finally, and at the behest of our President, Ken Piesse, our guest of honour told us how he came to propose to his lovely wife Amy here in Melbourne in the vicinity of the St. Kilda Pier whilst they were both in our town for an Allan Border Medal presentation a few years ago. And now they have four beautiful children. So life goes on. Our guest of honour sat down to thunderous applause from an audience which had sat spellbound throughout his entertaining and thought-provoking address.

Our President, Ken Piesse, called upon one of the Society's long-serving ambassadors Bryce McGain, a former Test cricketer, to thank our guest of honour for an absorbing and stirring address on the occasion of the ACS's 50th anniversary. And this our good friend Bryce did with characteristic grace and humility.

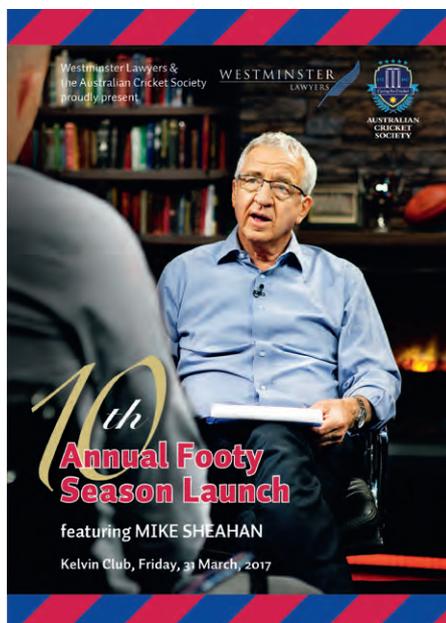
Our 10th Annual Footy Season Launch with Mike Sheahan, Kelvin Club, Friday, 31 March

Following in the footsteps of Huddo, Lethal Leigh, Barass and Parko, football's leading writer Mike Sheahan proved to be an inspired choice for our 10th Annual Footy Season Launch.

Mike started out by firing a few rockets – Mick Malthouse is unlikely to get a Christmas card any time soon. He elaborated on some of his most celebrated interviews in his popular *Open Mike* segment on Foxsports.

Just that morning he'd interviewed Erin and Greg Phillips, the most famous father-daughter combination in football. Young Erin had just won the best and fairest award in her first year of AFLW footy which proved to be such a success during February and March. Erin's proud dad Greg was a SA football legend who also played some mighty footy at Collingwood.

Mike seamlessly weaved his own cricket background into the conversation. He once



faced Keith Miller, albeit in a driveway where 'Nugget' was bowling nothing more lethal than a tennis ball. He also got to speak one-on-one with Kerry Packer who admired his even-handed reporting.

He was in New Zealand in 1977 when John Cornell and Austin Robertson were making their raids and signing on the who's who of Australian cricket. "Those of us covering the cricket tour missed the biggest story in cricket history – the recruitment of virtually all the guns of Establishment cricket for World Series," Mike observed.

Mike's first 'gong' in a long and most distinguished media career was the VCA District Cricket award for a story on Eddie Illingworth published in the 'Age'. Eddie was quick with a brand new Kookaburra for years forming a menacing combination at Brunswick Street with Alan 'Froggy' Thomson who was to play Test cricket. He covered cricket for the 'Age' and the old

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'Herald' for 7 - 8 years. One of his favourite cricket memories involved Doug Walters in New Zealand during the Christchurch Test. Dougie was holding up the bar in the Australian team's hotel after play had ended on the first day. He had made a not out ton on that first day. He took block at the bar for about five hours with a fag in one hand and a beer in the other. He made 250 the next day. He was an amazing player.

Mike concentrated on football after crossing from the 'Age' to the 'Herald' in 1979 to succeed the legendary Alf Brown. He worked hard and became the newsbreaker in the game, his biggest exclusive being the announcement in 1982 of Brownlow Medallists Peter Moore and Kelvin Templeton being for sale for \$1million. It was the front page lead in the 'Herald' - one of dozens in Mike's auspicious career.

Mike's multi-media work paved the way for print journalists to branch out into radio and television, which so many do these days. He answered questions from the floor, signed copies of his book 'Open Mike', and received some ACS goodies from our function sponsors, Westminster Lawyers and JR Duty Free. It was a grand occasion, capped off by all those present signing a giant birthday card for one of our most popular members Bobby Hopkins who was 78 not out. — KP

Scores and Best ACS Performances in 2016 - 17 (continued)

Wandering XI Fixtures

15 January, 2017 - The ACS v. the Eccentrics

The ACS - 5/195 - Miller 33, Browning 36, Anderson 38, McLure 23 v The Eccentrics - 158 - Smith 2/19, Hall 4/25. Match Won.

29 January, 2017 - The ACS v the Ballarat Bushwackers.

The ACS - 5/135 - M. Delaney 32, Stockdale 32, Hammet 22 v The Ballarat Bushwackers - 3/132 - Le Leive 30, Argall 30, Delaney 1/24. Match Won.

26 February, 2017 - The ACS v A Supreme Court XI.

The ACS - 74 - Hammet 19, Pinder 19 v A Supreme Court XI - 7/171 - Hopkins 3/20, Browning 2/22. Match Lost.

5 March, 2017 - The ACS v. Powerhouse.

The ACS - 6/139 - Browning 40, Corney 23*, Quayle 19* v Powerhouse - 4/147 - B. Scotland 37, Quayle 1/25, Leggett 1/17, Hopkins 1/10, Piesse 1/28. Match Lost.

Over 60s Fixtures

5 February, 2017 - The ACS v Vic Country.

The ACS - 6/134 - Stockdale 30, Wilson 28, Gibson 20 v Vic. Country - 9/124 - Smith 2/13, Robertson 2/13. Match Won.

Twenty/20 Fixture

19 February, 2017 - The ACS v. Ringwood.

The ACS - 2/98 - Robertson 40 v Ringwood - 3/90 - Cook 3/25. Match Won.

26 February, 2017 - The ACS v. Sunbury

Points gained by the ACS. Sunbury forfeited the match.

Our Teams

Almost 60 ACS cricketers of all ages, waistlines and skill-sets enjoyed the fraternity of Wandering XI and Over 60s cricket during the 2016 - 17 season. We again fielded two teams which extended to almost 30 matches all up, with the Australian Over 60s Championships in Perth last November, being the highlight of the season.

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The Steve Mason Trophy Winners

Our Young Cricketers of the Year for 2016 - 17 **Will Pucovski** from the Melbourne CC. and **Annabel Sutherland** from Prahran each received the Steve Mason Trophy at our annual dinner.



Ken Piesse with a 2017 Steve Mason Award Winner, Will Pucovski

Will created new run records for the Victorian Under 19s during the National Championships held in Adelaide in early December last year. It was part of a scintillating season which also saw him make his Sheffield Shield debut for Victoria a day before his 19th birthday. His batting during the under age carnival according to cricket great Greg Chappell was 'phenomenal'. State coach Andrew McDonald described Will as an 'immense talent' who is coming back into cricket again after suffering bouts of concussion while playing football. During the Under 19 National Championships Will made 650 runs at an average of 162.50.

Annabel Sutherland, 15, started her career in 2007 when she was just five years of age when she took part in the Milo into cricket program. From the age of eight she played in an all-boys team at Malvern Junior CC. During her time there the team won three premierships.

She is now into her third season playing Premier firsts with the Prahran CC. This season she also played in the Cricket Australia Under 16s in December at the

Under 18 National Championships and also captained the Victorian Under 15s in the National Championships which were held during January. She was also selected to play in several matches in the women's Big Bash series for the Melbourne Renegades.

We wish both of these young champions all future success as they pursue their careers in cricket. Annabel, of course, is the daughter of James Sutherland, the former Victorian fast bowler, who is now the CEO at Cricket Australia.

Tess Flintoff - one to watch

Over the summer Tess Flintoff, who is one of four ACS Scholarship holders learning how to play at the Bryce McGain Elite Academy, captained the Outer East Eagles at the Under 16 State Championships where she made 151 runs in four innings with a highest score of 50*. Tess also represented Victorian Metro at the Under 15 National Championships in Canberra

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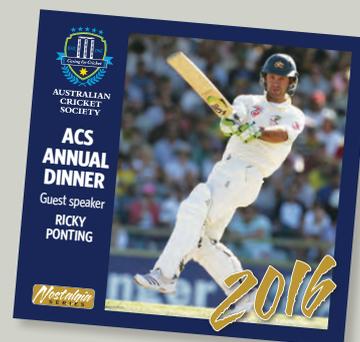
during January. She finished as the leading run scorer for Vic. Metro with 153 runs and a highest score of 44*.

In her first year of Women's P2 Premier Cricket, Tess had a successful season playing with the Ringwood CC where she won the batting award for the 2016 - 17 season. Well done Tess. We here in The Australian Cricket Society are following your career with great interest. We wish you well in the future.

ACS Scholarship Holder Tess Flintoff

ACS Merchandise

This is just a quick reminder that members and friends of the Society can purchase CDs of the best of our annual dinner guest speakers at a cost of \$20 each, ACS ties are available at \$40 each, and Society 50 year lapel badges can be supplied to interested members for \$10 each. Just apply to the Society's Administration Manager, Wayne Ross at info@australiancricketsociety.com.au if you want any of the above items. Please note Wayne is currently away until June 1st.



News of Members

Mike Rose - Our New Merchandise Officer.

The Society is fortunate that Mike Rose joined the ACS Committee recently and is now serving happily as the ACS's Merchandise Officer. He is a retired secondary metallurgist who was educated at Oakleigh Technical College and RMIT University. He has five daughters and eight grand children. In his younger days he played cricket and football for Oakleigh and Elsternwick. After enjoying playing cricket for so many years he became a cricket umpire serving in the Mercantile Cricket Association, and more latterly with Cricket Victoria. He has also umpired in the last three National Over 60s Championships in Melbourne, Hobart and Perth.



New ACS Merchandise Officer, Mike Rose

playing cricket with the Society's Wandering XI. A left-hand high order batsman and a right-arm off-spinner, Mark is very competitive even against the young blokes. Mark also shouldered match day management duties on several occasions.

Peter Robertson - The ACS's Richard Elvins Memorial Trophy Winner for Season 2016 - 17.

Peter Robertson capped a magnificent season of

Over 60s cricket by being named as an emergency for the Australian Over 60s team which is touring the UK this winter. (We are hoping that he may become an 11th hour inclusion in the touring side - Ed.)

He was a runaway winner of the Richard Elvins Award for the most outstanding Over 60s cricketer in our 12-match season. He was also one of the stand-out players during the Over 60s National Championships in Perth last November. Peter bats right-handed and bowls right-arm offies.

Mark Browning - The ACS's Box-Grainger Trophy Winner for Season 2016 - 17

Author and classy Geelong-based allrounder Mark Browning won a second Box-Grainger Trophy after another consistent season

The Death of Keith Bollard.



Keith Bollard with Susan Piesse at the 2017 50th annual dinner

It is with deep regret that we have to report the death at the age of 91 of our long-serving and very loyal member Keith Bollard. We are all pleased that Keith was able to join the Society's tour to New Zealand in February of 2016, and that he obviously enjoyed the tour very much as a lively member of the touring group. We express our sincere condolences to Keith's family.

New Members

Since the last issue of *Scoresheet* was published during February the following new members have joined the Society: **Anthony Condon, Luke Curtain, Liam Finlayson** and **Peter Knuppel**.

We welcome these new members to the Society. Any changes in address or email address should be conveyed to the ACS Administration Manager Wayne Ross at P.O. Box 4528, Langwarrin, Victoria, 3910. Phone 0416 983 888. Email Address: info@australiancricketsociety.com.au.

The deadline for the inclusion of material in the Winter issue of Scoresheet is Bastille Day, Friday, 14 July, 2017. The Editor's phone number is (03) 9876 3909. His email address is dmanning8@bigpond.com

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