



CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY

GIDEON HAIGH *and* TIANA MARTEL

Author and commentator **Gideon Haigh** is the Society's guest of honour on Friday, 23 November, talking about cricket's tumultuous times which he has analysed in his just-published book *Crossing the Line - Has Australian Cricket Lost Its Way?* His 37th book disseminates the culture of the game across all levels, via dozens of interviews.

Born in London, Gideon grew up in Geelong and now lives in Melbourne from where he writes about cricket for *The Australian*, *The Times*, and *The Cricketer*.

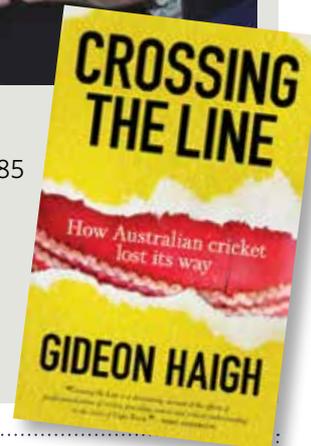
At the top of our Christmas Comes Early show, the talented Canadian-born vocalist **Tiana Martel** makes her Kelvin Club debut accompanied by guitarist **Keiran Ryan-Colton**. Tiana is a rising star of the Australian musical scene whose versatile honey-sweet voice and extensive repertoire will delight



Date: Friday, 23 November, 2018. **Time:** Noon for 12.15 pm

Venue: The Kelvin Club, Melbourne Place, CBD. **Cost:** Members & Members' Partners - \$75; Guests - \$85

Please pre-book: with ACS Secretary Wayne Ross at PO Box 4528, Langwarrin, Vic., 3910 no later than Wed. 21st November next. EFT payments are preferred. If paying by electronic transfer use this info: ACS Account: BSB 633-000 Account Number 143226314. Please include your Surname with SL - e.g - MANNINGSL as well as the names of any guests for whom you are paying. Cheques should be made payable to the Australian Cricket Society. Wayne's phone number is 0416 983 888. His email address is info@australiancricketsociety.com.au. Please also advise any special dietary requirements.



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Future Activities & Events

2018 CHRISTMAS TEST MATCH DINNER: with HARSHA BHOGLÉ KOOYONG, THURSDAY, 27 DECEMBER, 2018.

Harsha Bhogle has been covering Indian cricket since his teen years working for All India Radio. Most Australians first heard his dulcet tones and impeccably spoken Indian English when the ABC engaged him to describe India's matches during their 1991-92 tour here, and then at the tail-end of that season for the ICC's World Cup matches played in this country and New Zealand.

Since 1995 Harsha has presented Indian cricket all around the world, working in the main for ESPN Star Sports. He was recently voted the world's most popular cricket commentator on television by Cricinfo users.

The Society looks forward with eager anticipation to the Boxing Day Test Match in Melbourne when not only will we be able to see many of the world's best cricketers in action, but we shall also have the pleasure of listening to the world's most popular cricket commentator doing what he does best during the day and reminiscing for us at night.

It promises to be an experience not to be missed.

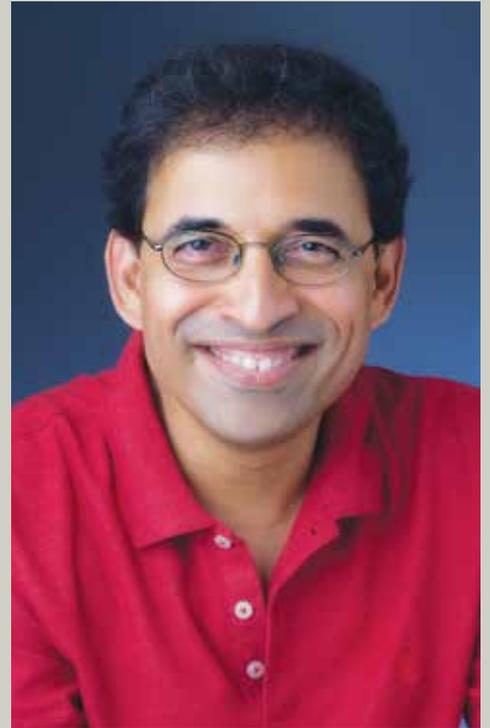
Date: Thursday, 27 December, 2018

Time: 7pm for a 7.15 pm start

Venue: Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club, 489 Glenferrie Road, Kooyong

Cost: \$115 for members and members' partners; \$125 for guests

Bookings: Please through Wayne Ross (*his details on p1*)



The President's Piesse

Catching us all unawares

Sportsmen love to dream. Whether it's doing a Jack Nicklaus and storming home in the US Masters, or making 100s on consecutive days in a Boxing Day Test a la Justin Langer, we all wish for a supreme sporting moment.....one to tell the grandkids.

It wasn't until my 50th birthday when I finally conceded that my dream of representing Australia was over. Bert Ironmonger was 50-something when he played his last Test. He was the oldest Australian ever. By years. But he was a top notcher. I was purely club standard. Nigel Murch still talks about the time Steve Waugh whacked my high-flung leggies for 32 in an over one not-to-be-forgotten afternoon at Royal Ascot. "I've never seen anything like this before", he kept on saying from short cover. It was like a tennis match - 646466. The first only just cleared mid-on. The rest were out of the screws.

To survive at any level I realized I'd have to learn some change-ups, some variations. Maybe a slider. And once or twice in my roller-coasting journey at Port Melbourne and beyond, I found myself on a hat-trick - without ever getting close to achieving one.

The opportunity in '99 to spend a week with Warnie's coach Terry Jenner and assist on his autobiography was a Godsend. We became really good mates. One Frankston pre-season, when I was struggling to dismiss even our elderly practice captain, I emailed



HIS FIRST HAT-TRICK IN 54 YEARS: ACS president Ken Piesse with captain Phil O'Meara (left) and the catcher of the hat-trick wicket, Graham Cudden.

Terry and asked him for some advice. Within 24 hours came the reply. "Master," he said. "Have you thought about retiring?"

This summer, my 54th as a club cricketer, I'm still playing, albeit well down the grades. In mid-October our ACS Over 60s lads were playing at McDonald Oval, Black Rock, where it had all started for me in '64 at the age of nine. My old Port captain Phil O'Meara

graciously allowed me to bowl with the wind, and with the sixth ball of my fourth over, Richmond's ever-young Eane Whitten top-edged an attempted wrong-un straight to point.

When the opportunity came for me to bowl again, 40 or so minutes later, I got lucky again when a fella immediately danced at me, missed, and was bowled. The ball basically grubbed, hitting the very bottom

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of middle stump. The next man flicked his first ball, which bounced more, straight to backward square leg where Graham Cudden accepted the catch with both hands – a nice take to his right. None of us thought too much about it. But after being thrashed the previous Sunday, I was happy. I had a third wicket for not many runs. As we gathered, someone from the sidelines yelled out "It's a hat-trick." Like Merv Hughes in Perth a generation earlier, none of us had any idea that a third wicket had fallen in three balls. I reckoned I'd been on a hat-trick seven or eight times over the journey without ever coming close to taking one. Now I had one, convoluted like Merv's, spread over two overs and with a 40 minute gap in between spells. How sweet it was! No wonder most of us want to play forever.

Seeing The Light

When cricket was plunged into an abyss last autumn some despaired if the game would ever recover. But six months on, with a new season beckoning, there is fresh hope buoyed in part by Australia's Great Escape in Dubai and the rise of unsung youngsters like Pucovski, Sangha and Philippe. The team may have stuttered at Abu Dhabi but the home summer is being given a vital injection which will again woo big expectant crowds to all the mainland venues. No longer are we wondering if the southern sun will ever again shine on our wonderful game.

Warner, Smith and co may have damned cricket's good name like never before, and with doubts surrounding the availability of

Khuwaja (injured) and S. Marsh (form) for Adelaide, suddenly all the white ball and Sheffield Shield preambles have taken on extra significance.

Will Pucovski's sublime double century in the season opener in Perth has us all wondering if we are seeing another young Doug Walters on the rise. At 20 young Will is a similar age to Doug who started his Test career in fairytale fashion in 1965 with back-to-back centuries in his maiden appearances. Suddenly the top order may not be so vulnerable should he be able to return soon with all his renowned energy.

With Finch, Maxwell, Harris and Tremain also in the mix, Victoria could have three and even four in the XII for Adelaide. Bring on the Indians!— KP

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OUR PLAYING XIS

ACS CRICKET FIXTURES – SEASON 2018 – 19

Wandering XI (Over 40s Matches)

Co-ordinator – Anthony Hall (0409 804 478)

Match 1. ACS 8-141 (Piesse 40 retired, Robins 40 retired, Stockdale 14) lost to MCC XXIXers 5-142 (Piesse 2-12, Craig 2-10) at the Walter Galt Oval, Parkdale. Turf.

2. 4 November v the Victorian Umpires, Caulfield Park

Over 60s

Co-ordinator – Ken Piesse (0419 549 458)

Match 1. October 7: ACS 3-248 c.c (Hammet 26, I. Gibson 31, O'Meara 40, Anderson 38, Piesse 40, all retired) d Ringwood 8-174 (N. Smith 3-20) at Mt Eliza CC (hard wicket)

2. Oct. 14: ACS 3-200 (I. Gibson 42, O'Meara 41, D. Gibson 20 (all retired), Penaluna 25, Maliq Deane 23 (both not out) d Richmond Union 9-103 (Piesse 3-3 including a hat trick, N. Smith 2-13), at McDonald Oval, Black Rock (turf)

3. Oct 21: ACS 2-169 (Piesse 40, Maliq Deane 31, D. Gibson 26, all retired) lost to Yarra Valley 2-170 (Piesse 2-17, Blyth 2-31) at Seville (hard wicket)

4. November 4: Mornington (a), Jubilee Park, Frankston

5. December 2: Leongatha (h)

6. Dec 9: Gippsland (a), Bundulaguah

7. January 20, 2019: Benalla (h)

8. Jan 27: Geelong W (a)

9. February 24: Canterbury (h), Jubilee Park, Frankston

Over 70s

Co-ordinator – Ian Gibson (0402 254 891)

18 November, 2018 v. Geelong – Dendy Park
13 January, 2019 v. Koo Wee Rup – Koo Wee Rup

3 February, 2019 v. Iona – Frankston

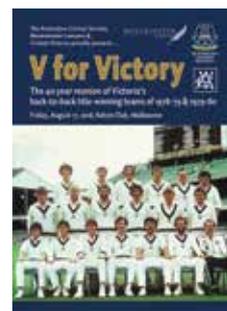
V for Victory' Reunion Luncheon, Kelvin Club, Friday, 17 August, 2018

There was an excellent attendance of Society members and friends at this luncheon graced by a number of team members from Victoria's title winning teams of 1978-79 and 1979-80. The luncheon was a great opportunity for the cricketers present to indulge in one of their favourite pastimes—reminiscing.

Ray Bright: the

Victorian and Australian left-arm orthodox spin bowler and down-the-list batsman was first to speak. Most of what he had to say related to his recollections of his Test career (He played in 25

Tests for Australia.) He recalled the halcyon days of the 1981 Ashes Tests in England and the infamous betting plunge of his team-mates Lillee and Marsh who are reputed to have bet at odds of 500-1 against Australia winning at Leeds. He also recalled the famous tied Test match in Madras (Chennai) in which he played



V FOR VICTORY: Seven of the Victorian team from 1979-80 attended our wintertime nostalgia reunion

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where the tension towards the end of the game was almost too great to bear

Johnny Douglas: reminded us of one of his major claims to fame - the fact that he once claimed the wicket of the great Barry Richards in a match in South Africa. He also spoke about his long career with Carlton in district cricket under the captaincy of Keith Stackpole. John has been Carlton CC president since the early '90s.

Trevor Laughlin: Down from Brisbane where he lives, 'Larry' recalled his days playing for Australia during the World Series Cricket years. He pointed out that his son Ben was currently doing nicely in various Twenty20 leagues around the world. He also told us that he was a good mate of Bobby Rose jnr. who was a great cricketer before a tragic car accident put him in a wheelchair for the rest of his short life.

Jim Higgs: Took 67 wickets for Victoria during the two Shield-winning seasons. Was also instrumental in the Vics winning the final in Adelaide in March, 1980 when he took 5-16 after lunch in a match-winning spell of leg spin bowling. In his 22 Test matches he took 66 wickets for Australia. He told us that he helped get the young Shane Warne established at the top level with his mentoring and support. Insisted on paying for his own lunch.

Graham Matthews: 'Lurch' a long-time ACS member played in 13 matches as an opening batsman during Victoria's two Shield winning seasons. He also was a veteran of 220 games with the Hawthorn-East Melbourne combine. In addition during later years he had also played for the ACS. He mentioned how smoothly the players of his era had united and played with determination and purpose under the captaincy of Graham Yallop and Dav Whatmore. Took the afternoon off from his school duties to be with us.

Jeff Moss: 'Groucho' was one of the top batsmen in the side. He made a couple of 100s and two 200s during the two seasons when the Vics did so well. He twice batted with Border in his only Test match. He counted it an honour to bat in partnership with the future great Australian captain. He also recalled a match-winning partnership with Matthews against SA which strengthened the Victorians' position.

Mick Taylor: Was a young emerging batsman at the time. He also made a century for Australia against South Africa with Kim Hughes's rebel side which toured during the apartheid era. He told us that he didn't have a state or national contract at the time, and at the age of 29 he reckoned he had little choice but to make the most of his opportunity.

In conclusion, on behalf of the group Ian Crawford, the long-time ex-Prahran CC president and our president's fourth XI captain expressed our sincere thanks to the players who had taken the trouble to attend the Society's reunion luncheon. It was a truly wonderful afternoon of nostalgia.

The ACS's 51st Annual General Meeting, MCG, Monday, 24 September, 2018.

Our 2018 AGM in September saw two of our younger members in Sam Ferguson and Keiran Croker take on senior committee roles. Ken Piesse was returned for a thirteenth year as President, while Wayne Ross is in his ninth year as Secretary/Administration Manager.

In his President's address, Ken again spoke of the need to involve people with passion and vision willing to energise the Society and keep it strong, vibrant and relevant. A sponsorship manager is pivotal to the continued success of the Society's charitable endeavours, he said.

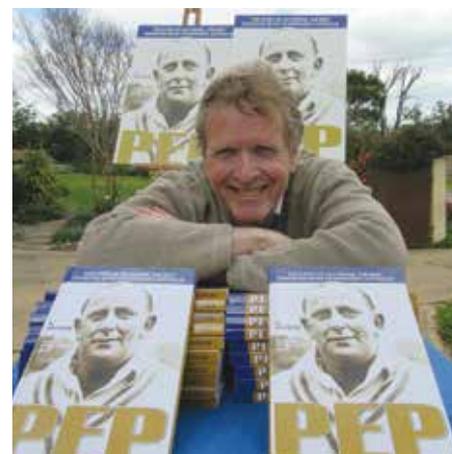
The task of Wandering XI Match Manager was taken on by Vice President Anthony Hall, who works closely with Sam Ferguson in managing the ACS website and e-bulletins.

The following members were elected to serve on the executive committee of the ACS for the coming twelve months period:

President:	Ken Piesse
Vice Presidents:	Doug Manning, Anthony Hall
Secretary:	Wayne Ross
Treasurer:	Brian Tooth
Committee:	Keiran Croker, Sam Ferguson, David McNamara, Mike Rose.

Almost 30 members attended the AGM where a new vintage of Heathcote/ACS Shiraz was unveiled.

At the conclusion of the AGM, Ken Piesse spoke about his new biography of Cecil



PEP: Our president Ken Piesse with his latest book, launched in Melbourne on AGM night and in Parkes, Pep's old home town on November 16

Pepper which he has entitled *Pep, the Story of Cec. Pepper The Best Cricketer Never To Play for Australia*. Ken was very convincing in his contention that Pepper could easily have been a Bradman Invincible in 1948 but for a mid-pitch run-in with the Don on New Year's Eve 1945-46.

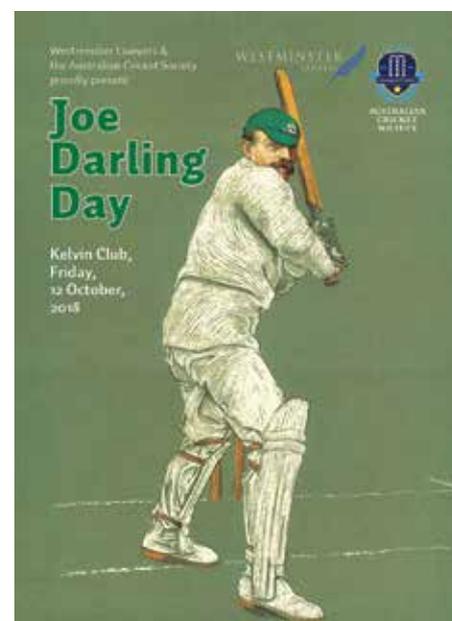
Ken's self-published biography has some extraordinary twists, including intimate details of Pepper's roller coasting private life which included three sons with three different women. For 30 years he lived in a ménage a trios with his lover and her husband.

The book is available exclusively from Ken at cricketbooks.com.au

Joe Darling Celebration Day, Kelvin Club, Friday, 12 October, 2018

An excellent and highly expectant gathering of Society members and friends assembled in the well-appointed dining room of the Kelvin Club to enjoy a fine luncheon. The meal was followed by a fascinating talk from the two authors of the recently published and much celebrated biography of Australia's famous captain and leading batsman during the late 19th and early 20th century, Joe Darling. There were ample copies of the book entitled *Joe Darling - Cricketer, Farmer, Politician and Family Man* to satisfy the demand by members which occurred as soon as our guests had concluded their talk.

Graeme Ryan, who was also responsible for publishing the biography, wrote those sections of the book dealing with Darling's busy life after cricket when he became fully occupied as a family man. He fathered sixteen children, was a successful farmer and politician in his home state of Tasmania. He operated out of his home



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GUEST OF HONOUR: Bernard Whimpress with Ken Piesse and his latest book, a biography of the golden age icon Joe Darling, available from cricketbooks.com.au

base at his mixed farming property known as *Stonehenge*. Bernard Whimpress, one of our foremost and most widely read cricket historians, focused on Darling's distinguished career as a cricketer. Graeme introduced his good friend and colleague Bernard Whimpress, who spoke about Joe Darling's remarkable cricketing career.

Bernard spoke glowingly of Darling's distinguished playing achievements, commencing with his score of over 250 in a school match for Prince Alfred College v St. Peter's College in Adelaide. A quite remarkable score for a 15 year-old school boy. He then ranged through his four Ashes tours of England, three of them as captain. Darling made three Test centuries, all in his stellar season of 1897-98, and eight Test

50s. His career spanned the period acknowledged to be Australia's most successful before the Bradman era. He was of medium height, well-built and very strong in the arms and shoulders. Darling was an aggressive strokemaker noted for his ferocious hitting power and his fast scoring rate. He was a dynamic leader who was able to get the most out of the players.

Later in life he mixed work on his farming property near Oatlands in the Tasmanian midlands with the demands of political life in Hobart.

It was agreed this book launch by Graeme and Bernard had been among the most compelling the Society had ever staged. Our two guests of honour were given a rousing reception by members.

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Three ACS Men Win Australian Honours

This story contributed by Ian B Gibson:



Australian Over 70s in the UK, on the eve of the ODI against Wales, back row: John Terrell, Phil Smith, Roger Edmunds, Alan Reid, John Stackpool, Ian B Gibson (ACS), Ron Kasputtis, Tom Woods. Front: Wavell McPherson (ACS), Margaret Smith (scorer), Colin Cooke, Ian A Gibson (ACS), Ian Petherick, Stirling Hannan, Tim Spear, Robin Court and Bruce Pooley

The recent tour of the UK was greatly enjoyed by the group of 18 Over 70 cricketers selected to represent Australia. What an honour, what a privilege, what an opportunity to play at "the home" of cricket and to enjoy the camaraderie of the touring group and their partners as well as our English opponents.

The ACS had three of its members within this talented group - the two Gibbos - Ian A. Gibson from Gippsland and myself - and that remarkable resident of Brim (near Horsham), Wavell McPherson.

Throughout August 13 games were played - 8 matches against the various counties resulted in easy wins. The game against the

UK Chairman's XI was lost by one run. The international ODI against Wales was won easily, and the results of the ODIs against England were 2 - 1 in their favour. In the first ODI we batted first and made 205 to win narrowly. The second ODI we lost by 21 runs after we dropped numerous catches. In the final ODI Australia was set the challenging

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total of 251. It came down to the last over, and in fact to the last ball. We needed just 6 to win, but during the over our captain Ian Petherick, who was on 140, was caught off the third ball. The last ball was hit to deep long-on – almost for 6 – but alas, was caught. So England won the match by 4 runs, and the series – the Silver Ashes.

The grounds were a treat to play on, and the hospitality, which included dinner after each game, was delightful. On one occasion the dinner was held in a building that 300 years ago had been a barn. The sight-seeing opportunities, which included tours of Lord's and the almost as historic Trent Bridge, were also enjoyed. – **Ian B. Gibson**



BRIM LEGEND: Wavell McPherson

NOTE: Our ACS members all enjoyed some individual success on the tour. Ian A. Gibson made more than 200 runs and was dismissed only three times. He played in each of the ODIs against England as the wicketkeeper and took a diving catch, but to no avail, as the umpire ruled “no ball..” Ian B. Gibson retired on 50 against Norfolk/Suffolk, and on 40 against Worcester. Wavell McPherson's opportunities with the bat were rather limited, but he finished with an average of 29. Behind the stumps he took two catches and effected five stumpings. Ian B. Gibson and Wavell both played in the ODI against Wales. – **KP**

ACS Young Cricketers of the Year Doing Well In Rep Ranks

As the Australian first-class season gets under way it is very pleasing to note that three of our ACS Young Cricketers of the Year have started with a bang. Both **Meg Lanning**, the captain of the Australian Women's team, who won our YCY award in 2010 and **Sophie Molineux**, the Australian team's top spin bowler, who won our award in 2014 starred in the Australian women's whitewash 3 – 0 win over the Kiwis in an ODI series in October.

In Victoria's first Sheffield Shield match against WA in Perth young **Will Pucovski** top scored with a superb innings of 243. His

innings was instrumental in enabling the Vics to start their season with a win. Will, who is only 20 years of age, won our YCY award last year. His double century put him in a select band of only nine Australians, including our patron Ricky Ponting, who have made a double century in first-class cricket before the age of 21. Congratulations to these three gifted young players. The Australian Cricket Society is proud of all your achievements. Keep up the good work.

The ACS's Jack Pollard Trophy – 2017-18.

The Jack Pollard Trophy for the best Australian cricket book written during the current publishing period which is awarded by a panel of judges convened by our Life Member Roger Page has gone to Denis Brien for his club cricket history entitled *All The King's Men*. The book records the history of the oldest continuously operating cricket club still in existence in South Australia – the Hindmarsh CC (now West Torrens). We congratulate Denis on his labour of love and wish him well in his future writings.

Alan Clark's Latest Book on Cricket

Alan Clark, AM, one of our most distinguished interstate members, who received an AM award from the Queen in 2003, has published another history of a local country cricket club. At a grand book launch hosted by the Kangaroo Valley Historical Society during October Alan's latest production entitled *A History of Kangaroo Valley Cricket* was launched. Any members and friends of the Society who may be interested in obtaining a copy of this important local history should contact Garth Chittick, the president of the Kangaroo Valley Historical Society on (02)4465 1367.

The MCC Cowdrey Spirit of Cricket Oration at Lord's – 6 August, 2018.

This year's Cowdrey Spirit of Cricket Oration sponsored by the Marylebone Cricket Club took place at Lord's Cricket Ground on the 6th August. The Oration was delivered by David Richardson, the former South African wicketkeeper, now CEO of the International Cricket Council. In his lecture Richardson addressed the ball tampering scandal during the South Africa – Australia Test series last autumn. He told his distinguished audience at Lord's that ball tampering and other forms of cheating in cricket would not be tolerated. Referring to the fact that Steve Smith and David Warner had been given twelve month suspensions for their part in the scandal, whilst Cameron Bancroft had been given

a lesser sentence, Richardson said that “cricket's DNA is based on integrity but we have seen too much behaviour of late that puts it in jeopardy. Sledging that amounts to no more than personal abuse, fielders giving send-offs to dismissed batsmen, unnecessary physical contact, players threatening not to play in protest against an umpire's decision and ball tampering – all such behaviour has got to stop,” Richardson said.

Richardson went on to say “This isn't the version of our game that we want to project to the world. The public reaction around the world to the incidents in the recent Australia – South Africa series was an eye-opener. The message was loud and clear, cheating is cheating and it's not what we signed up for.”

The former South African wicketkeeper also called for greater diversity in the game. “For too long we have ignored the potential of women in cricket. But that is changing significantly and will continue to do so. Last year the Women's World Cup, and particularly the final at Lord's, showed us the huge opportunity the sport has to attract more women and girls. We must remove any barriers to entry based on gender,” Richardson concluded.

ACS Merchandising



The Society has an excellent Heathcote Shiraz available for sale to members at \$18 a bottle or \$180 per dozen. It comes with an ACS label. Orders should be placed with Wayne Ross.

He will also take orders for the CDs produced for the Brad Hodge Annual Dinner at \$25 including post.

News of Members

Keiran Croker - The ACS'S Newest Committee Member

Keiran's first memories of cricket were from

the mid 1960s growing up in the eastern suburbs of Melbourne. He remembers well Bob Cowper's triple century at the MCG which he followed eagerly on the radio.

Like many kids he played in the backyard with his elder brother, at school in breaks, and on holidays with cousins. Competitive cricket started with secondary school and local Under 16 teams. A memorable achievement was taking seven for 29 bowling leg spin.

By the mid 1970s Keiran started attending Test cricket at the MCG. What an era that was with the rampaging Lillee and Thomson devastating England and the West Indies. By this time the young Keiran had morphed from a spinner to an opening batsman. That ensured he always got a hit.

Keiran played most of his senior cricket in the Ringwood District Cricket Association competition. Whilst he only played a handful of games in the First XI, he was proud to have scored his only century opening for the Second XI. In due course he undertook the roles of captain, president, and secretary for his club.

After a ten year break Keiran returned to play veterans cricket, finally getting to play in a premiership team in which he top scored in a victorious run chase. Playing with the Ringwood Possums and with the ACS has given Keiran the opportunity to travel overseas to Sri Lanka and New Zealand as well as interstate within Australia. The result has been the formation of many friendships.

Keiran still enjoys watching Test cricket at the MCG. In recent times he has become a SACA member which gives him the opportunity to travel to Adelaide each year. And of course, he enjoys attending ACS functions from time to time ensuring friendships are maintained and an interest in the history of the game can be cultivated.



ACS Cricket Profile - David McNamara

I commenced playing cricket in Warrnambool aged 11. That was in the Under 17's, the only junior competition available. Moved to Geelong playing juniors at East Belmont in the morning then Seniors during the afternoon. Our Club won the District Thirds Premiership when I was 17. Played Geelong Junior Country Week with future Victorian fast bowler Graeme Ross. Played Dowling Shield cricket in 1968-69 with Hawthorn-East Melbourne. In one game against Richmond I got Graham Yallop out. The Hawthorn-East Melbourne captain was Graeme Matthews; Steven Whitelaw was a team mate. Both played for Victoria. After one season with Geelong (1970-71) in the Sub-District, I joined St. Joseph's College Cricket Club in the GCA where I opened the bowling in the firsts and seconds until 1991. I moved to Melbourne in 1992



and joined the Caulfield Cricket Club. I am still there serving on the Club Committee. I joined the ACS Committee in 1997 when the late Richard Elvins was the President and have had continuous involvement on the Committee, playing with the ACS Over 60s side and the Wandering XI since.

Awards and Recognition: St. Joseph's Cricket Club Geelong -2nd XI Bowling Average 1975-76 ,1976-77. Best Clubman 1975-76 - Highest Score - 77 Batting Number 11. Caulfield Cricket Club - the H.H.Little Best Clubman - Awarded Life Membership - both in 2013-14 Committee Member since 2005.

ACS Committee Member from 1997.

Cricket Touring Experiences

I have been on every Ashes Tour since 1972. My room mates have included John Craig (Ormond Hall of Fame Member). Have toured Canada (twice), Sri Lanka, New Zealand (twice), Fiji, South Africa (twice), Perth, the Sunshine and Gold Coasts. I organized many of these tours with the ACS in conjunction with the Ringwood Possums. I also toured Botswana and Barbados (2017).



WANDERING XI 2018-19: Our lads have a 1-1 record coming into December. After going down to the MCC XXIXers, our boys were victorious against the VCA Umpires at Caulfield Park.

New Members

Since the last *Scoresheet* was issued in August the Society has welcomed the following new members **Dr Phil Bergman, Marino Bovo, Geoff Craig, and John Robins**. Any changes in addresses or

email addresses should be notified to the ACS Secretary Wayne Ross at P.O.Box 4528, Langwarrin, Vic, 3910. Phone: 0416 983 888; Email Address: info@australiancricketsociety.com.au.

The deadline for inclusion of material for the Summer 2019 edition of Scoresheet is Friday, 18 January, 2019. The Editor's home phone number is 9876 3909. His email address is dmanning8@bigpond.com

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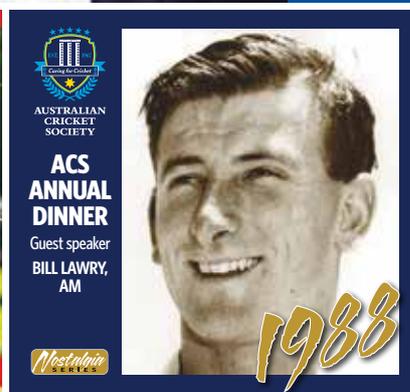
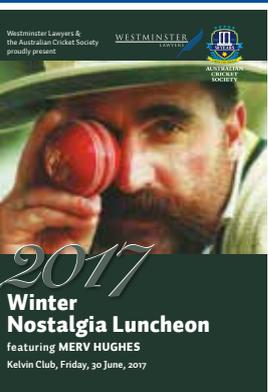
Membership is open to cricket lovers Australia-wide.

We watch, we tour, we support, we play.

With members Australia-wide, we send young scholars to the Elite Cricket Academy and support our gold charity partner the Ponting Foundation, assisting families of children with cancer.

Our annual Christmas Test match function has seen some of the biggest names in the game appear. This summer it's famed Indian broadcaster Hasha Bhogle. In 2019 we will be in England at the Tests... why not come and join us!

Our patron is the legendary Ricky Ponting.



Membership is open to all — and costs \$75 for adults (living in Victoria), and \$40 for juniors, interstaters and overseas members. To join us, email, phone, write — or sign up via our website

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