



# Applecross CC

The Unofficial Newsletter of the Applecross Cricket Club Inc

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## Season Starts October 5th

Welcome to another cricket season at Applecross cricket club. This promises to be an interesting year with lots of changes around the club as we enter into the club's 22nd season. This year we have a new coach, a new A grade captain and a new president, who along with the committee thinks it is a long season already due to changes 1 and 2. This year we will continue to have six teams in the competition although there are changes there as well. As a result of Des Carruthers' sixth grade minor premiership, our third (6th Grade) team is now in 5th grade, and due to good luck more than good management, our fourth eleven has been promoted from seventh grade to sixth grade. As a club, this gives us a much better spread as in previous years the jump from 6th to 3rd grade has been a bit steep. Over the winter months, the club has invested in a video camera which we will use as a training aid. Coach Stef Perer will oversee the operation and allocation of this. The idea here was that often even low grade batsmen can fault problems in other players' techniques, but few if any have ever had the opportunity to see themselves bat or bowl and this should make it much easier to point out where people are going wrong.

It is very important that we make new players to the club feel very welcome. It's very easy for existing players to feel comfortable when we know everyone, but it can be a little daunting when you don't know anyone, so please make the effort to say hi, or even a friendly cripple nipple could help to break the ice (or their spirit).

Club fees are payable immediately if you wish. The fees are comprised of \$110 club membership, \$120 game fees and a \$40 AMPSA (Applecross Mount Pleasant Sporting Assoc.) levy. If you are able to pay the full fee by October 5, you will only have to pay \$240. Alternatively, you can make two payments of \$135 - one on October 5th and the other before Christmas. The Club is not a profit making body and it costs more than the fees charged for us to enter each player for the season in the competition. Also if you are able to come up with the cash before the end of September you will only have to pay \$220. If however, you are having some difficulty with this structure, a quick word to Vince (You need what?) Stackpole (me), or the affable Matt (well it looks like you're just going to have to sit this year out) Halliday should make some arrangement possible.

Another way of dodging fees is to convince someone to come up with \$500 worth of sponsorship for the season. If you are able to do this, your membership for the year will be waived. Sponsors are very important to the club and if you think you can offer something, speak to Me or (Rolls) Royce who will be able to convince you or your company of the limitless value of sponsoring Applecross.

If you are not happy with these arrangements, stiff shit. Blame it on the committee who are listed right. Also, if you think this page is a lot like the first newsletter last year - it is. Any editorial input from anyone regarding anything is welcome, however preference will be given to items which relate to the sport of cricket. "Ask Big Eater" will be back in the Christmas Bumper Edition.

### Bat Care

As many of you will just have lashed out and spent a ridiculous amount on a small piece of wood to defend self and wicket with, here are some instructions on how to prepare and look after it:

When first bought, natural-faced bats should be lightly oiled with raw linseed oil (or cricket bat oil) all over (except the splice as the oil weakens the glue). An extra coat should be put on the toe to protect from damp pitches. After a few days it should be oiled again. After this the bat only needs lightly oiling at the beginning of the season, after sanding down and before it is put away at the end of the season. Bats with antiscuff sheeting or poly faces should not be oiled on the face neither before nor after the antiscuff is put on, but should be oiled on the toe and back.

Never stand the bat in oil.

All bats need knocking in, and the more thoroughly this is done the less chance there is of a bat breaking. Knocking-in is best done with a bat mallet which has a wooden hammer head or ball on the end. An old ball bounced up and down on the face does not do enough.

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### Applecross Cricket Club Committee for Season 1995/96

President: Vince (Stacky) Stackpole  
 Vice President: Angus (Gus) Castley  
 Secretary: Brad (Sexual) Favas  
 Treasurer: Matt (Prodigal) Halliday  
 General Committee  
 Burt (Burt) Baetsen  
 Rob (Don) Pulley  
 (Rolls) Royce Spencer  
 Brett (Snake) MacGregor  
 Glenn (Ulysees) Wright  
 Russell (Big Man/Bomber Hack) Kingdon

The committee meets once monthly. If you have any matter which you think should be addressed by the committee, please feel free to alert any of the above people. Also if you would like to add anything to this newsletter which is already sadly lacking in input, please feel free to do so - just hassle me.

# Scorebook - 1995/96

## A Grade

1996/97 Captain: John Maguire  
Last Year  
Captain: Brian Bilton  
Position: 4th  
Best & Fairest: S.Perer/C.Stirling  
Batting Average: S. Perer (45.29)  
Bowling Average: R. Pulley (20.55)  
Fielding: B. Bilton  
Bowling Aggregate: C.Stirling (27 wickets)  
Batting Aggregate: S. Perer 634 runs

## 2nd XI

1996/97 Captain: Simon Shalders  
Last Year  
Captain: George Prince  
Position: 8th  
Best & Fairest: Peter Jordan  
Batting Average: Ryan Greenwell (39.0)  
Bowling Average: Al Field (8.16)  
Fielding: Kevin Miles  
Bowling Aggregate: Al Field/B.Seymour (19 wkts)  
Batting Aggregate: Peter Jordan (310 runs)

## 3rd XI

1996/97 Captain: Kevin Miles  
Last Year  
Captain: Des Carruthers  
Position: 3rd  
Best & Fairest: Val Steenholdt  
Batting Average: Ryan Greenwell (37.6)  
Bowling Average: Val Steenholdt (12.6)  
Fielding: Des Carruthers  
Bowling Aggregate: Val Steenholdt (29 wkts)  
Batting Aggregate: Greg Harrison Ward (356 runs)

## 4th XI

1996/97 Captain: Ken MacPherson  
Last Year  
Captain: Burt Baetsen  
Position: 3rd  
Best & Fairest: Burt Baetsen  
Batting Average: Luke Lindsay (42.0)  
Bowling Average: Garry Leask (9.51)  
Fielding: Ian Brotherton  
Bowling Aggregate: Garry Leask/Burt Baetsen (31 wkts)  
Batting Aggregate: Burt Baetsen (270 runs)

## 5th XI

1996/97 Captain: Glenn Wright  
Last Year  
Captain: Vince Stackpole  
Position: 6th  
Best & Fairest: Glen Warber  
Batting Average: Ron Kang (22.83)  
Bowling Average: Brad Millane (8.74)  
Fielding: Paul Carruthers  
Bowling Aggregate: Brad Millane (19 wickets)  
Batting Aggregate: Jackson Hunt (150 runs)

## 6th XI

1996/97 Captain: Russell Kingdon  
Last Year  
Captain: Brett Shortland  
Position: Low  
Best & Fairest: Ramon Fletcher  
Batting Average: Eddie Marti (15.0)  
Bowling Average: Ramon Fletcher (14.71)  
Fielding: Jeremy Speijers  
Bowling Aggregate: Ramon Fletcher (14 wickets)  
Batting Aggregate: Eddie Martin (255 runs)

A man, a pig, and a dog are the only survivors of a terrible shipwreck, and find themselves stranded on a desert island. After being there awhile, they get into a ritual of going to the beach every evening to watch the sun go down. One particular evening the sky was red with beautiful cirrus clouds, the breeze was warm and gentle - a perfect night for romance!

Well, that pig started looking better and better and pretty soon the man rolled toward the pig and put his arm around it. The dog was not very happy with this and growled fiercely at the man, until he removed his arm from the pig. They continued to enjoy the sunsets together, but no more cuddling.

A few weeks passed by, and lo and behold, there was another shipwreck. The only survivor was a beautiful young woman. She was in a pretty bad way when they rescued her and they slowly nursed her back to good health. When she was well enough they introduced her to their evening beach ritual. It was another beautiful evening, red sky, cirrus clouds, warm gentle breeze, perfect for romance, the four of them lying there. The guy started getting 'those' ideas again, so he leaned over toward the girl and asked, 'Would you mind taking the dog for a walk?'

# Upcoming Events

- **Saturday September 28: Grand Final Day**  
Big Screen at Shirley Strickland. Starts 10.30 am. \$15/head includes food. Beer \$2.00, Spirits \$3.00, Champagne \$1.00, Wine free. RSVP Don Pulley 457-6117 (after 6.00pm)
- **Thursday October 3: Players Tea**  
After last training session: Beer, food and ladies with questionable morals. Details to follow.
- **Thursday October 31: WASTCA Centenary Dinner**  
7.00pm Gloucester Park. Five course meal. Beer wine and bottom shelf spirits (Yes that includes Bourbon) included. Speakers: Doug Walters, Bruce Yardley, Mahatmacoat. \$75.00. RSVP to Stacky. Only 14 tickets left.
- **A Wednesday night in November - Annual Movie Night.** Beer, wine and Movie.
- **A Saturday Night in December: Annual Christmas Ball.** \$60/head. Final details to be advised - don't miss out, not after last year.

## This week's TV Highlights

Sunday 2.30: Brooksy's Footy Show. Neil Brooks gives you a valid reason to turn the TV off on Sunday

Sunday 6.30: Talk to the Animals. Dr Harry Cooper interviews David Calthorpe.

Sunday 7.30: Party of Eight. AFL finals

Monday 5.30: Wheel of Fortune. Tony Barber examines Hawthorns chances in the finals.

Monday 5.30: The Price is Right. Starring Nathan Buckley.

Monday 7.00: Sale of the Century. With Glenn Ridge and Nathan (not Nicki) Buckley

Tuesday 4.30: The Bold and the Beautiful. Starring Shane Watson and Damian Monkhorst (which is which?)

Tuesday 7.00: Home and Away. A Review of the season so far.

Tuesday 8.00: Animal Hospital. David Calthorpe has an Arthroscope.

Wednesday 4.00: A\*mazing. Daniel Metropolis is still playing AFL football.

Wednesday 12.00: The Price is Right. With Nathan Buckley.

Wednesday 2.30: Newlyweds. Starring Brisbane and Fitzroy. Watch out for the sequel with Hawthorn and Melbourne.

Wednesday 8.00: Money. Starring Nathan Buckley

Wednesday Movie 8.30: Dumb and Dumber. Fitzroy vs Dockers.

Wednesday 8.30: The X-Files. Scully and Mulder try to find out how Daniel Metropolis is still getting an AFL game.

Thursday 8.30: Full Frontal. Dale Lewis' bump on Ashley Macintosh.

Sunday 7.30: Home Improvement. This week featuring Optus Oval.

## Bat Care (continued)

This process must be done thousands of times on the face below the stickers. Start knocking-in gently but gradually build up pressure until you are hitting quite hard. You aim to compress the wood. Most important is to round the edges as this is where most damage occurs. The next process is to play with the bat in the nets against soft old balls. When the bat is first used in a match, ensure it is not against the new ball. If seam marks appear on the face, knocking-in needs to be done harder.

Do not worry about small cracks in the face, this is perfectly natural, and actually helps the ball drive a bit. Do worry about playing against hard balls especially early on. Yorkers with a hard ball against a new bat will compress or crack the toe. As you are hitting a hard ball with a piece of wood, minor damage will occur. This does not mean faulty wood or workmanship but natural wear and tear. With a little care these may not turn into major problems. Sand down thoroughly the area which is compressed or cracked, and then protect the area with antiscuff or fibreglass tape. A favourite bat may be given a "service" or a full "reconditioning" and major cracks can often be repaired.

An antiscuff sheet through which you can see the face of the bat generally doubles the life of the bat. Fibreglass will do a similar job and the fibres will "creep" into cracks, but it is the devil to take off later. Antiscuff can be just peeled off (gently and against the grain) and either replaced when worn or the face can be left natural. In this case, start oiling as if bought new.

When cleaning, natural faced bats should be lightly sanded to clean ball marks and especially mud. If it is heavily marked, a medium sandpaper may be used followed by fine grade. Always rub with the grain, not against it. A light coat of linseed oil evens up the colour. Bats with antiscuff can be washed with washing up liquid and water. Very stubborn stains may come out with kitchen surface cleaners, but this may dull the antiscuff.

All of the abovementioned factory maintenance can be done at Meuleman's in South Perth.



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End of Season Bumper Edition

## Three Strikes - We're Out!

Well the 1995/96 season finished with a resounding thud as we took three teams into the Semi Finals and had high hopes of taking at least one and hopefully three teams on step closer to the Grand Final. Alas it was not to be:

A grade journeyed down to College Park in Nedlands to take on the Italian Connection of Dianella Alexander. After a lot of rain on the Friday, there were doubts whether the pitch would be fit to play on and it was decided on Saturday morning that it was not. The game was rescheduled to be played on Sunday in a fifty eight over per side game. Dianella batted first and looked like settling down after losing an early wicket until Leigh Macintosh and Rob Pulley picked up Gary Ireland and Joe Santostefano in consecutive balls. Wickets fell consistently until at 8/167 with seven overs to go, we looked like a real chance at knocking them over for less than 200. The tail wagged however and we ended up chasing 220 odd. Things started very badly until Stef Perer and Peter (Bushranger) Godau got together and got us past the 150 four down having been three for thirty. The run chase ended with Leigh and Sex looking for 24 off the last two overs, and Sex realising the hopelessness of the chase ran Leigh out so he could improve his average (only joking).

6th grade went into their semi as unbackable favourites having been unbeaten during the home and away season and performed strongly on the first day by bowling out High Wycombe for 134. Steeny was the star of the day taking five wickets. 6ths had half an hour to bat and lost Steeny to be 1 for 10 overnight and looking pretty good to take the next step to the Semi Finals. Wickets fell consistently through the second day and High Wycombe ended up bowling us out eighteen runs short. Simon Shalders and Big Eater were very unlucky to be given out and it was these two along with Snake who offered the most resistance but were unable to get us over the line.

It is at this stage that I must apologise for lack of journalistic content. With all three teams losing, I was so disappointed, I took little notice of the presentation, instead preferring to get smashed on that night which I think I managed reasonably well. Suffice to say that Seventh Grade, chasing a modest target of 168 ended up 34 runs short, scoring 134. It's the old chocolates to boiled lollies thing really. A few people have mentioned to me how dismayed they are at the lack of finals success enjoyed by the ACC - it's almost like playing for Collingwood pre 1990! Anyway, not that anyone cares what I think, but being in the press corp, I feel I am qualified to make incisive comments about things which I know nothing about, so I reckon it is our batting which is letting us down. Speaking from an Eighth Grade perspective, we didn't have a batsman score more than 150 this season, and I wouldn't think there were too many people who could really say they have batted as well as they can this season, but that's something we can look at in 96/97. Anyway, this is the last edition for this season, I hope you have enjoyed the ACC newsletter this year, it will be back next year, but what I would really like is for a bit of editorial assistance next year, because it does take a bit of time to put it all together and I did lose the plot a bit later in the year.

Shit - presentation night starts in half and hour, I'd better get this thing printed