



**WELLINGTON
WANDERERS
CRICKET CLUB (INC.)**

**63RD ANNUAL REPORT
2008-2009 SEASON**

**Dedicated to young cricketers who
keep alive the traditions of the game
through generations**

OUR OBJECTIVES

**To provide Cricketers and
Enthusiasts with an opportunity
of playing social cricket with their
contemporaries and to encourage the
game by participation in matches
against Schools and Colleges in
New Zealand.**

WELLINGTON WANDERERS CRICKET CLUB (INC)

Notice is hereby given that the 63rd Annual General Meeting of the Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club (Inc.) will be held at the Featherston Tavern, cnr Featherston and Johnston Streets, Wellington on Wednesday 23rd September 2009 commencing at 6.00pm.

Business:

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Establishment of Quorum
4. In Memoriam
5. Minutes of Previous AGM held 17th September 2008, and matters arising there from
6. Adoption of Annual Report and Statement of Accounts
7. Election of New Members
8. Election of Officers for 2009/2010 Season:
 - a) 12th Man
 - b) Patron
 - c) President
 - d) Committee
 - e) Honorary Auditor
9. Subscriptions for 2009/10 Season
10. Amendments to Club Rules
11. General Business

E.J. Gray

General Manager

OFFICE BEARERS - 2008/09

12TH MAN

His Excellency The Hon Sir Anand Satyanand

PATRON

T.G. McMahon

PRESIDENT

C.J. Taylor

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

P. Steele

LIFE MEMBERS

W.B. Hunt

A. Hunt

J. G. Revell

M.D. Priest

R.J. Allan

B. Waddle

COMMITTEE

R. Allan (Chairman)

M. Coppersmith

M. Roche

R. Kinsella

D. McLachlan

W. Marshall

HONORARY AUDITOR

D. Lander ACA

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I am happy to report that the club remains in good health following another full and successful year with an increase in paid up members and revenue earned from off field activities, progress in the membership database and continued success on the field.

I am however extremely sad to report the passing of two well known and respected Wanderers.

Alvin Clement was a young Major in the army driving an E-Type when he started playing for the Wanderers. Over many years he showed his love of the game and his ability to play it, only recently 'retiring' from the crease. He was a Past President of the club and involved in most club functions. Alvin passed away after a very brief illness and will be missed by most members of the club. Our thoughts go to his family.

John Gibson was also a Past President of the club whose playing days were mainly at the Peter Field Oval in Waikanae and ended several years ago. However he has been a regular attendee at club functions and was much respected as a cricket lover, gentleman and legal mind. John only recently lost his long battle with illness and our wishes go to his family.

Evan Gray continued his good work organising the club during a successful year;

On the field we had 9 wins from 12 games with 3 games having to be cancelled. With good quality sides this year we managed to beat both the Governor General's Colleges XI and the NZ Gillette Schools XI. However we lost to two college XI's; Wanganui Collegiate and Tawa College.

Working alongside the Carillon club, Wanderers co-hosted two cocktail parties this year; one cricket function with Kerry O'Keefe as a speaker and one rugby function with Sir Colin Meads speaking. Both were great functions with very funny speeches and proved very successful fund raisers for the club.

The club again held a Test Breakfast before the Indian Test. This year it was decided the breakfast should only be held first day which meant increasing seats to about 150. With John Wright sharing some of his experiences and thoughts with us the breakfast was again a great success. John also managed to help the club with a bat signed by the Indian team which raised \$2200 from auction for the club. Thanks must go to Cricket Wellington for their support and assistance in making both the breakfasts and the Governor General's game such successes.

The other major function was the Golf Day held at Manor Park which saw an increased field of 24 taking part. Despite recruiting what I thought was a good team and still finishing well down the list and no 'hole in one' surprises, it was another great day of golf. Thanks must go to Leisure Days, Kevin Kelly, Kirstin Phipps, Alan Hunter and Manor Park Golf Club for their assistance in making this a great day and a successful fundraiser.

The success of each of these functions is down to hard work and thanks must go to Evan for his great efforts who, with support from Wads and Richard Allen, created

and managed each of the functions. They have resulted in a noticeable increase in the amount of 'funds' raised over previous years.

The administration of the club has continued satisfactorily, however recent changes to legislation regarding the tax free status of sports clubs and the current economic environment have meant the committee has had to focus on the contract for Evan's services and how that can be funded, the likely level of income from grants, the level of subs and of fundraising revenue necessary to sustain the club as well as the rules necessary to retain our current tax free status.

The Committee is confident the club is in good financial health but believes that the improved level of fundraising revenue this year must be maintained. There is however a need to once again amend the club rules in order to retain our tax free status. Included with this report is a recommendation from the Committee to amend the rules, thereby reinforcing the 'charitable' nature of the club. Thanks go again Alisdair McBeth for preparing this change to the rules.

The membership database has been slow progress but at last we have a reasonably up to date list of players and members as well as their contact details. Thanks to those who submitted their forms and paid their subs. For those who haven't yet done it – it's never too late and please support the club.

Another successful year for the Wellington Wanderers. My thanks go to all the Committee for their efforts in keeping the club moving and to Evan for his great efforts in keeping the club successful and in front of Wellington college cricketers. My thoughts for next year are around our linkages with Cricket Wellington and how they can help benefit members of both organisations.

Chris Taylor

CRICKET AND CUCUMBER SANDWICHES IN NORTH KOREA

BY JOSEPHINE MCDERMOTT

UK TELEGRAPH

During a cricket tour of North Korea, a team of expats enjoyed a privileged glimpse into a state rigidly isolated from the rest of the world.

It started as a bet. John Newton, president of Shanghai Cricket Club wagered two of his friends that they would not be able to organise a cricket tour to the totalitarian state of North Korea.

“One night in the pub, North Korea had come up as a suggestion for a place to tour and I said there was no way they would be able to pull it off,” he recalls.

Newton’s forfeit, should he be proven wrong, would be to organise for a roll-up wicket to be exported from England to North Korea for the match.

Given that a very limited number of visas are issued each year to the secretive state and that the majority of North Korea’s population has never seen a foreigner, let alone a cricket match, it seemed an impossible undertaking to bring the gentlemen’s sport to the one time “axis of evil”.

But “Ainsley Mann, being a Scotsman, will do anything not to lose a bet,” said Newton.

And nine months later, after considerable cost, Mann and club secretary, Denzyl Allwright (the third party to the wager) had secured 21 visas for two cricket teams from Shanghai Cricket Club to travel to the North Korean capital, Pyongyang.

“There was as much paperwork needed as there is to get into the US,” Newton joked.

The Ministry of Sport in North Korea agreed the club of expats could use Daesungshan Park in Pyongyang for three Twenty20 games, with six players per side. And so on April 25th 2008 the first games of cricket ever to be played in North Korea commenced.

“The park was a little too small for a standard pitch. The straight boundaries were very short. But batsmen walked through a ‘victory gate’ when they came on to bat,” said Newton.

The hastily thrown together Pyongyang Cricket Club was made up of two of the guides or minders put in charge of the team by the government, the team’s driver, two of the commercial tour operators who made the event possible and the man from DHL who had shipped the wicket from England.

They played two teams from Shanghai Cricket Club-SCC Juche and SCC Kaesong. The teams took their names from Korean words (“juche” means “main body” or “subject”, Kaesong was the capital of Korea during the medieval Koryo dynasty).

None of the North Korean team had picked up a cricket bat before. But Mr. Li, the driver, had played baseball before and scored the first boundary.

“At one point a marching band came past and stopped to watch what was happening. They had probably never seen a group of foreigners before, never mind foreigners playing cricket,” said Newton. But the usual procedures applied, of course-cucumber sandwiches were eaten at lunch time. SCC Juche were the eventual winners.

During the club’s five-day tour, members enjoyed a privileged glimpse into the country rigidly isolated from the rest of the world. Every aspect of their timetable was scheduled and approved beforehand and they were only allowed to take photographs of the things their guide said they could.

“North Korea is by far the strangest place I’ve ever been to. It was really a big eye opener. It was a privilege to be able to go,” said Newton.

“One thing struck me was that there were really wide roads with no cars, only buses. The only cars you would see were 1980’s Mercedes used as government cars,” he added.

The team stayed in a 40 story hotel for foreigners, nicknamed “the Alcatraz of fun” by westerners. Set in the middle of a river, it was eerily empty.

“If our lift stopped at any of the floors other than the top few where we were staying, they were dark and empty-looking like warehouses,” he said. The hotel had a golf course and a casino – but one which has no alcohol or music.

The restaurant bar, did, however, become the scene of another inaugural event- the country’s first ever pub quiz.

The tourists also had the rare chance of seeing the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) - a favourite for tourists in South Korea-from the North. Given that peace in the Korean peninsula is based on ceasefire rather than a peace agreement, the precariousness of the situation is enough to make even visitors to the safer south feel uneasy. But Newton said the cricketers never felt their lives were in danger.

“We never felt unsafe or worried about crime. That said, at the DMZ we realised if we stepped over the line separating the two countries, we could get shot”

“To be the very first people to play cricket in the country, after the trouble of getting there, was a pretty special feeling,” said Allwright.

“Sport has always had a friendship mission. From a personal perspective and from the point of view of everyone who went, had it not been for sport we would never have visited.

OBITUARIES

John Alexander Lemon Gibson, QC Lawyer and Cricketer

When a schoolboy cricketer John was very highly regarded and had the record and the references to support that.

He left Wanganui Collegiate in 1955 after 4 years in the First X1 in an era of very strong elevens. He was captain in his final year.

An elegant right hand top order bat he was a classic driver of the ball especially on the off side. He stood tall at the crease and being possessed with a sound defence, he was comfortable against all bowlers "except those that dismissed him" he would wryly comment.

Other strokes he perfected and with which he kept the scorers busy, were the leg glance, and that shot a little backward of square off his toes. Despite not being particularly nimble of foot, he made this shot an art form.

Whilst still at school he represented Wanganui in Hawke Cup matches. In one defense of that trophy against Hawkes Bay in the 1955/56 season at Cook Gardens, batting at 3, he had to contend with R.W. (Bob) Blair. Bob Blair was, in his day, the most menacing of fast bowlers in the country.

It's interesting to note that the Umpires who stood in that fixture were Messrs F.W.Gilligan and H.E.B.Newton both of whom were closely connected with WCS. "Newt" as he was called, is on record many years later as saying "Gibson was the best schoolboy batsman he had been associated with". Similar sentiments have been expressed by other colleagues.

John went on to also represent Waikato, and Wellington in some non first class matches, Wellington B, and NZ Nomads on 4 tours. He also represented NZ Universities although he did not play his club cricket for the Victoria University Club (which was theoretically a prerequisite for selection in NZU sides). It would have been natural for him to play for VUWCC as he first resided at Weir House when he came to Wellington to begin his Law Degree, but that club side considered themselves so strong at the time that John couldn't get a run. Instead he signed up with the Wellington Club and played alongside the likes of Trevor McMahon, Grahame Bilby and A.R. (Tony) MacGibbon.

In 1971/72 the Wellington Club amalgamated with W.C.O.B. to form what is now Wellington Collegians.

In that first season the club was considered strong enough to field two teams in the Senior Grade; the "first" side was full of stars eight of whom had or would play for N.Z. John captained the "second" team with such flair and distinction that they came 2nd in the competition.. This earned him a Norwood Award that year for the Most Enterprising captain in the region.

Despite his obvious love of the game John's cricket was always second fiddle to his family life and his Law career, in which he became firmly established at the top of his field in matrimonial law and as a Q.C.

After his playing days John found his special niche in cricket, firstly when he became a Wellington U23 selector and then when he became a Wellington selector for the 1981-82 season, during which Wellington won both the Shell Trophy and Shell Cup. For the next five seasons he remained a selector and was also team manager until 1987, during which time Wellington won the Shell Trophy twice.

He became a much loved figure among the players, with his dry wit, worldly experience, quick coloured phrases in his own enchanting way and sage advice which ensured that laughter and enjoyment were constant companions of the team.



John Gibson in 1955 scoring 114 retired for 1st XI

John Gibson believed that the rewards of life, as well as cricket, were worth little if you didn't play by the etiquette as well as the rules.

He was an honourable man.

Chairman of the New Zealand Law Society Criminal Law Committee.

Chairman of the New Zealand Law Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal.

Chairman of the Motor Vehicle Dealers Licensing Board.

Manager of the New Zealand cricket team in 1994.

President of Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club in 1996-97.

President of Cricket Wellington from 2001-2003.

Duncan Priest and Don Neely

Alvin Clement

Alvin Clement, Father, Soldier Wanderer passed away in Wellington on 20th May following a short illness.

Alvin joined who joined the Wanderers in 1968 had a varied and exciting life with

the New Zealand Defence Force. As a soldier he served in Singapore, Borneo, Malaya and Vietnam rising to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Throughout his 41 years of active involvement in Wanderers, Alvin was a highly respected member of our club. As a player Alvin played senior cricket for Midland St. Pats and Johnsonville and was a member of many New Zealand Combined Services teams. His involvement with the club took on many roles and culminated in him being president for two years from 2000-2002.

In his younger days he played in Christchurch and achieved selection in Canterbury age grade rep sides.

He was an avid student and player of the wonderful game of cricket.



Alvin Clement

Alvin, always keen to pass on his cricketing knowledge to young cricketers and so our club was the perfect vehicle for him to pass on his cricketing experiences. Indeed in the season gone Alvin played in what was possibly his last game of cricket when he played for Wanderers against SPC Silverstream 1st X1, a team in which his son Antonie was playing. Alvin also managed the 1st X1 and was involved in coaching as well.

Wanderer's tour in the late 60's thru the 70's and 80's meant Alvin and his beloved E Type jag. He made many of those four day tours and we got to know a guy who was organised, disciplined, an excellent wicket-keeper a middle order batsman who wielded the willow with enormous power and who was the life and soul of the aftermatch. There would be

few Wanderers members of those times who didn't avail themselves of a very quick trip back to Wellington following a match at our home ground Peterfield Oval in Waikanae or indeed an exhilarating ride along the Himatangi straight.

Alvin was one of those people who always stood tall and looked you in the eye, especially in the contest of a cricket match.

Alvin represented all that we respect in the great game of cricket.

He was one of life's gentlemen.

Alvin taken from us so very early in his innings is survived by his wife Frances and their children Paul, Poppy and Antonie.

Richard Allan

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE WELLINGTON WANDERERS CRICKET CLUB HELD ON THE 17TH SEPTEMBER AT THE FEATHERS BAR & RESTAURANT AT 6.15PM

Present:

24 members

Apologies:

John Revell and Bill Hunt

Obituary:

One minute's silence was observed to remember the life of one of our life members, Mick Randall who passed away during the year. Mick was one of the Club's stalwarts and a huge enthusiast of the game of cricket.

Minutes of 60th AGM.

These had been circulated and taken as read.

(C. Taylor / R.Allan)

Annual Report and Statement of accounts:

There was general agreement that Evan Gray had prepared an excellent Annual Report which showed an invigorated Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club was in great heart. Treasurer Murray Coppersmith spoke to the adoption of the annual statement of accounts. The only discussion came from Todd Foster who asked about the funding of gear and balls for the club. Murray replied they were financed by way of grants from charitable trusts.

(M. Coppersmith / M.Roche)

New Members:

Three new members were proposed and accepted into the Club:

Sam Priest, Terry O'Leary and Peter Ward.

(E.Gray / P. Steele)

Election of Officers for 2007/08:

The following were elected:

Patron: T.G. (Trevor) McMahon

President: Chris Taylor (for his second year)

Committee: All current committee members had indicated their continued availability:

Richard Allan, Don McLauchlan, Paul Steele, Murray Coppersmith, Roger Kinsella, William Marshall, Matthew Roche was also elected a new committee member (E. Gray / P. Steele)

Honorary Auditor: Denis Lander

Evan Gray proposed a new position of "twelfth Man" to be held by a person of note who adds something to the club by way of both name and tangible contribution. He proposed the position be held by the current Governor General of New Zealand Annand Satyanand who is an avid cricket fan and is responsible each year for his Governor General's XI team, made up of the best first XI players from colleges in the Wellington region, which plays against a Wanderers XI at the Basin Reserve.

Discussion revolved around the reason for such a position following a question from Matthew Roche; the question of was it within the club rules to make such an appointment. Our legal expert Alasdair McBeth (who has written the Club's new rules which were also up for discussion) advised that in principle it was OK. After more discussion it was agreed by the meeting to approve the new position.

(E.Gray / P.Steele)

New Life Member: Tony Hunt nominated Brian Waddle for the position of life member and spoke of Brian's contribution to the club over more than 40 years both as a committee man, assisting in club jubilees and organising many club functions through his connections as a cricket broadcaster.

Brian replied that he was honoured to have been involved and would continue to do so and help the club carry on and hopefully flourish. His election was greeted with a standing ovation.

Hunt / R. Allan)

Subscriptions: Treasurer Murray Coppersmith announced the committee's decision to keep the subscriptions at their current levels - \$50 for full playing members

\$25 for associate (non-playing) members

(M. Coppersmith / A. Cooper)

Proposed new rules: Copies of these new rules were available to members present to read, and discussion was started by Paul Steel who explained that the Club needed new rules to cope with modern times it was now in. Alasdair McBeth had been responsible for drafting the new rules and answered questions from the floor on why certain things had been done. After much discussion the rule changes were approved. The committee to produce the necessary document for the club.

(P.Steele / A.Cooper)

General business: The committee passed a big vote of thanks to Evan Gray for his work as the paid General Manager of the club, for the organising of fixtures, fund-raising, website etc. Subject to available grants from charitable trusts, his position was vital to the long-term future of the club.

President Chris Taylor thanked the committee for its work, to Alasdair McBeth for his work on the new rules, to Evan Gray for his work, to Treasurer Murray Coppersmith and Chairman Richard Allan. He noted that the position of chairman would go under the new rules.

The meeting ended at 7.00 PM after which the members present were invited to stay to have a meal.

AUDIT REPORT

To the Members of the Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club (Incorporated)

I have audited the financial report on pages 1 and 2. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club (Incorporated) for the year ended 30 June 2009 and its financial position as at that date.

Club Committee

The Club Committee is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the club as at 30 June 2009 and of the results and operations for the year ended 30 June 2009.

Auditor Responsibilities

It is my responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Club Committee and to report my opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Club Committee in the preparation of the financial report and;
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club (Incorporated) circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand, except that my work was limited as explained below. I planned and performed the audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which I considered necessary in order to provide sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial report is free from material misstatements, whether caused by error or fraud. In forming my opinion I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of the information in the financial report.

Qualified Opinion

Control over revenue prior to being recorded is limited, and there are no practical audit procedures to determine the effect of this limited control.

In this respect I have not obtained all the information and explanations that I have required.

In my opinion, except for adjustments that might have been found to be necessary had I been able to obtain sufficient evidence concerning revenues, the financial report fairly reflects the financial position of the Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club (Incorporated) as at 30 June 2009.

My audit was completed on 28 August 2009 and my qualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



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Wellington

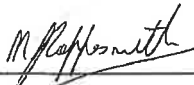
WELLINGTON WANDERERS CRICKET CLUB (INC.)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
INCOME			
Subscriptions		2,515	1,165
Interest		104	144
Donations		625	35
Grants	1	38,800	51,178
Surplus on club functions	2	19,480	10,501
		<u>61,524</u>	<u>63,023</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Club administrator	3	51,750	38,250
Box rental		150	150
Gear and balls		2,214	12,855
Insurance		370	342
Match expenses	4	1,806	1,293
Secretarial expenses	5	4,539	1,814
Depreciation	6	3,416	3,416
		<u>64,245</u>	<u>58,120</u>
SURPLUS		<u>(2,721)</u>	<u>4,903</u>

WELLINGTON WANDERERS CRICKET CLUB (INC.)
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2009

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
Balance 1 July		23,673	18,770
Surplus		<u>(2,721)</u>	<u>4,903</u>
		<u>20,952</u>	<u>23,673</u>
REPRESENTED BY			
Current Assets			
Ball Stocks		902	657
Bank		24,329	17,183
Debtors	7	2,159	0
Prepayments		0	4,500
		<u>27,390</u>	<u>22,340</u>
Less Current Liabilities			
Grant in Advance	1	9,855	5,500
Fixed Assets			
Jerseys	6	2,269	4,538
Laptop	6	1,148	2,295
		<u>3,417</u>	<u>6,833</u>
Net Assets		<u>20,952</u>	<u>23,673</u>

The financial statements are prepared on a GST inclusive basis.



Murray Coppersmith BCA, CA
Hon Treasurer

WELLINGTON WANDERERS CRICKET CLUB (INC.)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Grants

The club was successful with a number of grant applications during the year. The amounts and the use of these funds shown as revenue in the 2009 financial year were as follows:

Issuer	Amount
Infinity Foundation	5,500
Infinity Foundation	6,000
NZ Community Trust	7,500
Infinity Foundation	7,500
NZ Community Trust	3,300
NZ Community Trust	9,000
	<u>38,800</u>

All grants were applied to supporting the costs of the Club Administrator.

In addition to the grants listed above, the Club received a further grant from the Endeavour Community Trust of \$9,855 on 30 June 2009. This grant is to be applied to the purchase of cricket equipment and balls for the 2009/10 season. The amount has been treated as Grants in Advance as at 30 June 2009.

2. Surplus on Club Functions

The Club ran a number of successful functions which assisted with fundraising during the year. These included a breakfast and a cocktail function centred around the Basin Reserve test match, as well as a further cocktail function with Colin Meads as guest speaker and a golf day.

3. Club Administrator Costs

The increase in Club Administrator costs is largely due to a change in payment terms. Payment terms were monthly payments over a season and have changed to payment of the same aggregate amount in 12 equal monthly instalments. This means that the cost shown for the year ended 30 June 2009 includes payment for the full 2008/09 season (up to 31 March 2009), as well as payment for three months of the next season (April to June 2009). Payments are also GST inclusive.

4. Match Expenses

These primarily relate to the Governor General's XI match.

5. Secretarial Expenses

Includes the cost of printing the Annual Report and for 2009 the cost of setting up the Club website.

6. Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed assets are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. The straight line depreciation rate applied to both playing jerseys and computer equipment is 33.3% per annum.

Asset Class	Cost	Depn	NBV
Jerseys	6,806	4,537	2,270
Computer Equipment	3,443	2,295	1,148
	<u>10,249</u>	<u>6,833</u>	<u>3,416</u>

7. Debtors

The balance as at 30 June 2009 represents amounts earned but not banked from the Colin Meads function. The amount was banked on 6 July 2009.

8. GST Registration

The Club is not registered for GST. Due to growth GST registration will be sought during the 2010 financial year.

KERRY O'KEEFFE

Kerry O'Keeffe these days has more than googlies and wrong'uns in his kit bag. Kerry was the star turn in a combined Wanderers/ Carillon Club function held at Dockside in February.

He has a very close connection with Wellington and indeed his mother was born at 47 Adelaide Rd (the house still stands today and Kerry visited it when he was here.) and his grandfather Doug Chance was a long time member of the WRFU management committee and was a life member of Oriental Rongotai RFC. He had the choice of two countries for whom to play his cricket and he didn't choose New Zealand!

Kerry has a leg spinner's bag of tricks up his sleeve and you didn't have to be a cricket fan to have been thoroughly entertained by the stories he told. He spoke without a note for over 40 minutes and there wasn't a person present who didn't wish for him to have gone on longer.

Wanderers are indebted to the committee of Carillon Club who worked with us to ensure that the function was successful.

Kerry O'Keefe



Andy Wilson, Keith Quinn and Kerry O'Keefe

TWENTY YEARS AGO

(CRICKET IN NEW ZEALAND FROM A WISDEN ARTICLE WRITTEN BY C.R. BUTTERY)

The 1989-90 Shell Trophy went to Wellington, who won four of their ten matches and were the only team to finish the season undefeated. This was quite a remarkable achievement. At the halfway stage they were in last place, and were given little chance of overtaking Auckland, the competition leaders and clear favourites for the title. However, victories in their next three games took Wellington to the top of the points table, and in spite of intensive efforts by Auckland and Canterbury to dislodge them; they were able to maintain their lead. Batsmen Andrew Jones and Bruce Edgar were a tower of strength, and Jonathan Millmow, a tall fast bowler, took 33 wickets, which earned him a place in the New Zealand Side for the tour of England later that year.

Unfortunately for Wellington the season will be remembered for the farcical tactics at the end of the third day of their return match against Canterbury. In order to narrow the 94 run gap between the two sides, in the hope of buying the last two wickets to win the game, Wellington captain Ervin McSweeney incurred the wrath of cricket purists by instructing his bowlers to toss up a series of deliberate no-balls. In the penultimate over, comprising 22 balls, Robert Vance conceded a record 77 runs (1444664614116666600401), 69 runs coming from the bat of Canterbury wicket-keeper Lee Germon. In the circumstances the question of whether Germon's feat should go in the record books is debateable. As it turned out, McSweeney's tactics almost cost him the game, which ended in a draw with the scores level after the final over, bowled by Evan Gray, had produced a further 17 runs. The scoreboard attendants could not keep up with the rapid run rate from the last two overs, and neither side realised how close Canterbury were to victory until the match was over.

Shell Trophy 1989-90

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Pts 1st Inns	Pts Total
Wellington	10	4	0	6	14*	57
Canterbury	10	3	1	6	16	52
Auckland	10	2	3	5	28	50
CD	10	2	5	3	24	48
Otago	10	2	2	6	22*	42
ND	10	2	4	4	16	40

Win = 12pts; lead on 1st inns=4 pts

*First inns points share in one match, Wellington were penalised 5 points, Otago 4 points and Auckland 2 points for failing to achieve an average of 17 overs per hour during the competition.

BRYAN WADDLE

Bryan Waddle grew up in Karori and attended Karori West Primary School before moving onto Wellington College. On leaving Wellington College he played initially for the Karori club where his father George was scorer, secretary and life member. Bryan's mother Rita was also a huge contributor to the Karori club through her work in the kitchen. The afternoon teas at Karori were legendary.

From Karori Bryan moved to the Collegians club where he played in the senior team and from there made several appearances for the Wellington B representative side. In conjunction with his family Bryan made a huge contribution to the Collegians Club and to Wellington Cricket which continues to this day.

It was through his connection with both clubs that his association with the Wanderers began. He was involved heavily in the restoration of the ground at Waikanae with the likes of Tony Hunt, Ru Morgan, Tony Cooper, Arty Stodhart, Duncan Priest and Diddy Knapp to name but a few.

Bryan was responsible along with Tony Hunt and Duncan Priest for planting a row of Pohutukawa trees along the SH1 frontage of the Waikanae ground to act as a wind break and to lessen traffic noise.

In addition to his playing commitments to the Wanderers which included most of the early tours and many Sundays at Waikanae, Bryan served on the committee and also had a term as President of the club. He would have liked to been available for more fixtures but his commitments to International Cricket where he has broadcast well over a 100 tests has precluded this.

Bryan continues to serve the club very actively and was in the forefront when the club decided to organise pre test breakfasts at the Basin. He has arranged many of the speakers and also acted as MC in many of our functions. He has been responsible for carrying the Wanderers flag worldwide and our distinctive blazer has been seen in places as exclusive as the Lords pavilion.

Bryan continues to travel the world with his cricket, and he continues to serve the game he loves with a passion.

Bryan espouses the values of the Wanderers and thoroughly deserves to be accorded Life Membership of Wanderers Cricket Club.

WANDERERS GOLF DAY

Wanderers again held their annual golf day at Manor Park on a beautiful autumn Friday in April.

This was the biggest field we have had so far with 24 teams taking part. The weather helped in some very low scoring particularly by Wainui Cricket Club who ran out comfortable winners with a combined stableford of 106 points. Second place went to Grant Thornton who were some distance behind the winners from Wainui.

The aim of the tournament is to get members of Wanderers out together in a relaxed social environment. We are indebted to those members who were able to play and also to those who are not yet members but who have played in past years and have enjoyed the day and who were happy to return.

Kevin Kelly and Kirstin Phipps from the Leisure Days team were very helpful in organising the tournament, Steve Wallace and the staff of Manor Park were again most obliging, Alan Hunter kept everyone out on the course fed and watered and finally thanks to committee member Matthew Roche for organising a number of the teams who took part.



Team Zooter (Brodie Wilson, Christian Cullen, Matthew Roche and Gary Spratt)

ON THE AIR, IN THE AIR

Cricket journalists are occasionally accused of a lack of perspective, but Jonathan Agnew, the BBC's cricket correspondent has come up with one way of achieving the definitive overview. He has moved from the air waves to the air. Agnew decided to become a pilot during a "drunken evening" with his wife and friends last summer and got his licence two days before heading off to Australia to report on the Ashes.

"It's something I've always wanted to do," he says. "I did have a go at it about 20 years ago but only very briefly. Now I love it. Other people play golf on tour. I take an aeroplane up"

It takes a minimum of 50 hours' flying time to qualify, and Agnew says it's a lot of hard work. "But the big moment is when they let you go off and do a circuit of the airfield yourself. And then the landing, wow! It's a terrible but amazing feeling."

By the middle of the Ashes series, Agnew had graduated to the four-seat Cessna 172, and his ambition is "to do a Palin" and cover the 2010-11 Ashes series in Australia by plane. "I really want to get a film crew together, and drop into weird and wonderful bush strips and farms" (He could also take David Gower and John Morris up for a spin to mark the 20th anniversary of their infamous Tiger Moth flight over England's game in Queensland.)

So what is it about flying? "I once did Nottingham-Leicester-Nottingham on a beautiful summer's evening," he says. "I was there by myself. I went past a hot-air balloon, I saw my house in the distance, I saw the rolling fields of Leicestershire. I got back and told my wife it was better than sex. She wasn't thrilled."

TEST PLAYER GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER – AFTER 18 YEARS.

Former Indian Test player Navjot Singh Sidhu was convicted of manslaughter on December 1 2006, eighteen years after a 65 year old man died in a dispute about a parking place. The court concluded that Sidhu and his friend Rupinder Singh Sandhu had punched Gurnam Singh after dragging him out of his car. Gurnam Singh, who had heart trouble, collapsed and died. Sidhu was jailed for three years by the Punjab and Haryana High Court, but he served only one day before being released so he could appeal, and contest a parliamentary by-election. He was formerly MP for the Hindu Nationalist BJP.

SIR COLIN MEADS

Wanderers again worked with Carillon Club to bring Sir Colin Meads to Wellington to speak to the members of both clubs in the week leading up to the French test.

Colin is an icon in New Zealand sport and Dockside was packed to the rafters to hear the great man speak. Being a true 80 minute footballer “Pinetree” spoke for over an hour with only a three minute break at half time for an orange and to change ends.

He entertained us with stories from the past and gave us his thoughts on where the game is going today and didn’t hesitate to say where he thought things could be improved.

Thanks must go to the Murray Mexted for playing the curtain raiser and to the WRFU for agreeing to loan the Ranfurly Shield to both clubs for the night. That was another story in itself with Keith Quinn and Evan Gray picking the Shield up from Central Police Station at midnight!

Both the Sir Colin Meads and the Kerry O’Keeffe functions were very successful and this was in no small way due to the efforts of both clubs in working close together and to the very generous sponsorship of DB Breweries.



Keith Quinn with Ranfurly Shield at Central Police Station



Marius Jonker and George Clancy – International Rugby Referees

COMMENTATOR EXTRAORDINARY

Not much good news comes out of Zimbabwe these days, so it was uplifting to hear the story of Dean du Plessis, a 28 year old blind man who is making a name for himself as a cricket comments man on TV and radio. He started out doing mock commentaries at school and can tell bowlers apart by the sound of their run-ups: "The way Dwayne Bravo drags his feet, you can make him out, and Shane Warne sounds like he is constipated."

Batting gets similar treatment: "When a batsman hits through the off side, the ball makes a sharp cracking sound. When he plays to leg, it's a bit muffled because he is playing off his pads. I can tell when a bowler bowls a Yorker from the way the batsman jams down."

Neil Manthorp, the South African commentator recalls: Once, in a momentary lapse of concentration, I started an over with 'And her comes Agarkar again, from the Pavilion End....' Dean waited for the ball to go dead before quietly saying, 'Are you sure that's Agarkar, Neil?' Indeed, there had been a bowling change and it was Ganguly trundling in. Dean could tell the difference from the sound effects from the stump mike."

AN OCCASIONAL GAME OF CRICKET

The last time Henry Allingham popped in at the Oval for a spot of cricket, W.G. Grace was playing. When he returned on May 5, 2006 for the Championship match between Surrey and Gloucestershire, it was a month and a day before his 110th birthday, which made him Britain's oldest man- not to mention the sole survivor of the Battle of Jutland in 1916.

Unsurprisingly, there was some dispute over the precise gap between these visits to the Oval: some put it at exactly 100 years and others felt the day was 1903, when W.G. turned out for London County against Surrey. Mr. Allingham, not being what you might call a regular cricket fan, was a little hazy himself - but only about the details.

"I saw W.G. Grace bat," he said firmly on a day when we had lunch with the Surrey committee, met members of the team and went for a leisurely stroll around the boundary. "You could always tell who he was by his long beard. He scored quite a lot that day but I can't remember how many."

THE HONOURABLE SIR JOHN HANSEN KNZM

The recent investitures ceremony at Old St. Paul's Cathedral saw one of our Wanderers members honoured by another of our members, when The Governor General His Excellency The Honourable Sir Anand Satyanand bestowed upon Justice John Hansen the honour of Knight Companion of The New Zealand Order of Merit KNZM.

John, like another of our members the late John Gibson has a passion for the law and for cricket. The two seem to go together hand in hand. Educated at Otago Boys High where he was in the 1st XI and 1st XV, he completed a bachelor of Laws at Otago University in 1968.

From then his legal career took off and he left Dunedin in 1979 when a partner in John E. Farry @ Hansen Barristers and Solicitors. He worked from then until 1988 in Hong Kong where he served variously as a Magistrate, Coroner, Family Court Judge, District Court Judge and Master of the Supreme Court.

Returning to New Zealand in 1988 he was appointed Master of the Supreme Court sitting in Christchurch. In 1993 he was appointed Temporary Judge of the High Court of New Zealand and in 1995 Judge of the High Court of New Zealand. From 1997 to 2008 he was Executive Judge, South Island.

While the law played a huge part in his life, Sir John also found time for one of his passions, cricket. He played for the Dunedin Senior team alongside Frank Cameron and Wally Lees and after retiring from senior cricket played presidents grade cricket.

While in Hong Kong John played for the Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturdays and Sundays and in fact held an opening partnership record of 257-0 which stood until last year. Back in New Zealand he played for Oxford CC until 2007-08.



Sir John and Lady Anne Hansen

It was while he was in Hong Kong that he met members of the 1986 New Zealand Touring Side. That side included Martin and Jeff Crowe, Jerry Coney, Ewen Chatfield, Ervin McSweeney, Evan Gray, John Bracewell, Tony Blain and Martin Snedden. John showed outstanding expat hospitality to the team then and has remained firm friends with all of that touring team to this day.

John has been manager of the Hong Kong team to the ICC members trophy in the UK in 1986 and also manager

of the New Zealand Team to the Hong Kong International sixes tournament in 2003.

He has recently acted for the ICC in hearing the famous 'monkey case' involving Andrew Symonds and Harbajhan Singh. The day before he received his knighthood he returned from Dublin where he had been acting for the IRB in the case against the South African Rugby Union/Team for wearing the protest arm bands while playing against Australia.

John is a Wanderers member and also currently serves as President of the Willows Cricket Club.



Rodger McHarg and Tony Hill
Wanderers v Gillette Schools XI



Rodger McHarg and John Wright

CRICKET AT WELLINGTON COLLEGE

LUMEN ACCIPE ET IMPERTI

Wherever the Englishman goes his cricket bat goes. Such was the case in early Wellington and the history of Wellington College cricket commences about 1868 when the Grammar School found temporary accommodation in the Military barracks on the Thorndon Flat. Adjoining the barracks was a considerable area of unoccupied land named Clapham's Paddock and it was here, on this makeshift sports ground that Wellingtonians held their sport.

This then was the ground used by cricketing enthusiasts until the college was built on its present site in 1874

Boys at the school would have had the opportunity of watching and participating in football and cricket and on 21st February, 1871, the Grammar School played its first recorded match against Crofton College situated in the Upper Kaiwarra.

Until Mr. Firth and generous old boys bought the bottom ground into full use in 1886, and the Middle ground some thirteen years later facilities at the school for cricket were limited although the enthusiasm of the players was immense. It is interesting to note that much of the work done on the grounds in the early years was done by boys on detentions, voluntary labour from old boys and the use of prison gangs from the nearby Mount Cook Prison.

It must be recorded that the pitches from 1886 onwards were of such high standard that the Middle Ground pitch was used about 1910 for senior matches and in 1923 a Plunket Shield match between Wellington and Auckland in which 1531 runs were scored was played on the Bottom Ground.

After cricket flourished in the Firth era many excellent cricketers were produced. These included many who went on to represent Wellington. The College has produced many notable New Zealand representatives, these include: G.St.G. Gore, J.P. Blackmore, H.W. Monaghan, D.C. Collins, H.N. Lambert, K.C. James, E.D. Blundell, H. Foley, J.R. Lamason, C.K. Parsloe, G.C. Rowe, E.W. Dempster, J.E.F. Beck, R.T. Barber, B.F. Hastings, R.H. Vance and J.E.C. Franklin.

Mention of cricket at Wellington College cannot be made without acknowledging R.A. (Bob) Vance who captained Wellington over a number of years including winning the Plunket Shield, something his son Robert was to emulate many years later. Bob also served for many years as Chairman of Wellington and New Zealand Cricket and of course the Vance stand across the road at the Basin is named after him.

To this day a strong XI at Wellington College ensures the school continues to be at the forefront of Wellington and New Zealand Secondary Schools Cricket.



Bottom field at Wellington College circa 1910



Bottom field at Wellington College

CRICKET AT WANGANUI COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

VESTIGIA NULLA RETRORSUM

Cricket had its infancy at WCS in 1878 when a "cricket square" was prepared and matches commenced. Since those early days, traditional fixtures have been played against Wellington College (1898), Christs College (1913), New Plymouth Boys High (1918) and Kings College (1950). More recently the School has taken part in the Gillette Cup since 1990 making the finals 9 times from 1992 to 2008 winning the Cup in 1995 & 1997. The fixture against the Wanderers CC has been in place since the mid 1950's with many tales to be told around those tours enduring over 5 days of strong College opposition in Wanganui, Palmerston North and the Wairarapa.

A great supporter of fixtures between the Wanderers and WCS was HEB Newton, a passionate cricket lover and student of the game, who was to become an institution as the 1stXI coach from 1935 to 1963. Newt had played cricket, not terribly well, but he became a key member of staff with Headmaster, FW Gilligan who had twice declined MCC invitations to tour Australia and Sth Africa! FWW assisted Newt in coaching until Gilligan retired in 1954. A former captain of the XI, WR Strang, commented of Newt that ' he was a lovely character who attracted much admiration especially with his captains. Everyone knew where they were to go in the field and you were the perfect captain if you did what you were told".

Three players from WCS have represented NZ being EHL Bernau, HB

Cave who also captained his country, and AJ Penn. Many more achieved provincial honours foremost amongst that group being DH Payton who not only captained Central Districts but was also a selector and coach. Wanderers member JAL Gibson was a prolific run scorer for the XI From 1952-55 and MD Priest in 1960-61. RW Wake has been a strong link for the School with the Wanderers and was in the XI in 1959-60 and later umpiring 121 matches from 1974-2001 mostly with HS Fullerton-Smith.

A Cricket Supporters Club was established in 1997 with the aim of producing excellent cricket facilities. Some of these objectives were achieved by the restoration of the Pavillion, the laying of the main wicket in Patumahoe clay, the provision of 8 artificial wickets and 5 more wickets to 1st XI standard. A bore was also provided to supply water to all wickets.

So now, as we approach another new season of cricket, the ties between Wanganui Collegiate School and the Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club will continue thanks to the dedication of Dilan Raj and Evan Gray who will both ensure this fixture is hugely anticipated as a dual to be salivated, despite having to work around the exam curriculum. In the words of the School motto Vestigia Nulla Retrorsum, never a footstep back!



1sr XI taking the field in front of the pavilion



School building at Collegiate

MATCH RESULTS 2008-09 SEASON

Wanderers v Wanganui Collegiate: Played at Wanganui Collegiate 11.10.089

Wanderers 128-10 in 47.3 overs.

D. Raj 29, D. Ross 2-8, D. McKeefrey 2-28, H. Wells 4-38, E. Haggas 2-25

Wanganui Collegiate 130-5 in 44.5 overs

D. McKeefrey 51, M. Stolls 2-22, E. Gray 2-15

Wanganui Collegiate won by 5 wickets

Wanderers v Scots College: Played at Scots College 5.11.08

Wanderers 144-7 in 40 overs.

N. Pilalis 24, T. Boyer 30, C. Pile 30no

Scots College 89 all out in 31.3 overs

A. Roberts-Gray 24, B. Heather 4-15, A. Wilson 2-11

Win to Wanderers by 55 runs

Wanderers v Onslow College: 13.11.08 Match Cancelled Rain

Wanderers v SPC (Silverstream): Played at Silverstream 16.11.08

Wanderers 244-5 in 40 overs

C. Tait 82, A. Pennell 36 Retired Hurt, D. Houghton 23, R. Vance 20, S. McGavin 23no, G. Vance 22no

J. Renshaw 2-53, T. McCoy 2-47, M. Clarke 2-54

SPC (Silverstream) 169-9 in 40 overs

D. Maathius 22, J. Brosnan 22, S. Dean 27, J. Van Dissen 20, M. Best 2-37, S. McGavin 2-27, G. Vance 2-2

Win to Wanderers by 77 runs

Wanderers v Governor Generals Colleges X1: Played at The AFN Basin Reserve 23.11.08

Wanderers 250-3 in 40 overs

J. Wells 111no, S. Mather 79no, T. Boyer 37, Pentecost 2-25

Governor Generals Colleges X1 213-8 in 40 overs

V. Ward 20, T. Pere 64, Bassett 33, E. Chatfield 3-37

Win to Wanderers by 37 runs

Wanderers v Horowhenua U17 Colts: Played at Paraparaumu College 5.12.08

Wanderers 256-5 in 40 overs

J.Dean 58, T. Boyer 24, B. Thompson 46, J. Peters 77no,

Horowhenua U17 Colts 74-10 in 22.2 overs

A.Wilson 2-24, T. Boyer 2-4, S. Pyke 2-9, B.Coffey 2-0

Win to Wanderers by 182 runs

Wanderers v SPC (Town): Played at Kilbirnie Park 10-12-08

Wanderers 177-10 in 35 overs

A.Clement 25, M. Best 46, M> Low 2-24, R.Rajenda 2-33, O'Connor 2-38

SPC (Town) 154-10 in 40 overs

W.Lomax-Sawyers 37, R.Rajenda 20, K. Hitchman 3-15, A. Clement 2-40

Win to Wanderers by 23 runs

Wanderers v Rongotai College: Played at Rongotai College 18-12.08

Wanderers 226-8 in 40 overs

L. Edwards 53, L.Doolan 20, T. Blundell 46, M.Jones-Middleton 31, G. Girvan 2-47, Sameev 2-27, P. Jaynosh 2-34

Rongotai College 76-10 in 25 overs

T. Smith 35, D. Pile 3-11

Win to Wanderers by 150 runs

Wanderers v Eastbourne CC: Played at Eastbourne CC 19-01-09

Eastbourne CC 133-8 in 40 overs

Wanderers 122-10 in 36 overs

Win to Eastbourne CC by 11 runs

Wanderers V HIBS :11-02-09 Match Cancelled Rain

Wanderers v Nondescripts CC:Played at Naenae Park 15-02-09

Nondescripts CC 149-10 in 40 overs

K. Stewart 43, W. Henson 56, T. Foster 2-29, M. Hayman 2-2

Wanderers150-5 in 34 overs

M. Hammond 79, K. Patterson 22no,

Win to Wanderers by 5 wickets

Wanderers V Wellington College :24-02-09 Match Cancelled Rain

Wanderers v Tawa College: Played at Tawa College 26-02-09

Wanderers 182-9 in 40 overs

F. Quarterman 27, R. Kyne 58, Wade 3-15, S. Moore 3-42

Tawa College 186-8 in 40 overs

W. Coetzer 61no, K. Bellman 20, S. Moore 23, T. Hutchins 2-20, S. Mackey 2-18

Win to Tawa College by 2 wickets

Wanderers v HVHS: Played at HVHS 3-03-09

Wanderers 249-6 in 40 overs

V. Ward 89, T. Blundell 26, S. Baker 58, J. Joseph 2-31

HVHS 202-10 in 40 overs

Blucher 32, Ward 50, Pricemore 40, Gunn 26, E.McSweeney 2-16

Win to Wanderers by 47 runs

Wanderers v NZ Gillette Schools X1

N.Z. Gillette Schools X1 185-9 in 40 overs

B. Smith 56no, H. Wright 32, S. Doull 2-15, B. Williams 2-22, J. Hickey 3-20

Wanderers 186-9 in 40overs

J. Hickey 50, S. Deitz 36, S. Baker 21, M. Best 21, Tasman-Jones 3-30, H. Wright 3-48

Win to Wanderers by 1 wicket

Played 15, Won 9, Lost 3, Cancelled 3



Tim Boyer and John Wright –
Wanderers v Gillette Schools XI



John Wright facing with Tim Boyer backing up



John Wright on the drive



Picturesque Tretham Memorial Park



John Wright on the drive

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