



# IN BLACK & WHITE

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### ANNUAL CONVENTION

The NSWCUA Annual Convention will be held at West Tamworth League Club on 28-29 August 2021.

We look forward to seeing many members in attendance for the traditional curtain-raiser to the season!



Sharad Patel receives the George Borwick Memorial Award from 2019-20 winner Ben Treloar // Steven Smith

Cover Photo: Graeme Glazebrook and Bruce Baxter taking to the SCG for the Plan B Regional Bash Final

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## Chairman's Welcome

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### Mark Hughes

Dear Members,

Season 2020-21 has come to an end. Congratulations to Cricket NSW and local competition organisers across the state for an outstanding effort in ensuring cricket has been able to have been played in a safe and enjoyable environment for all participants over the last summer.

As we watch the world continue to struggle with the pandemic at hand, we can count ourselves fortunate that we have been largely untouched here in Australia.

To all of our members who serve our affiliates in administration and training, a special thanks to you all for your hours behind the scenes in preparing our members for the challenges of officiating cricket in a safe environment. Our on-field members are to be congratulated for

navigating changing and challenging playing conditions, whilst continuing to keep their focus on every ball bowled during the season.

Many players and team officials have offered their thanks to us for what we have done this last season, and we can all be proud of our efforts.

This edition of *In Black & White* acknowledges the many members of ours who had great seasons over 2020-21. Our Annual Dinner and Awards Night was a great encouragement to see so many of you who travelled far and wide to Sydney to enjoy each other company and celebrate successes and milestones.

I wish you all a refreshing winter break and look forward to what 2021-22 has to offer.



Ian Thomas and Terry New received 40 Years of Service badges at the Annual Dinner // Steven Smith

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## *Executive Officer Update*

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### **Troy Penman**

Dear Members and Affiliated Associations,

We have come to the end of another season, one which we have never witnessed before. When you place that on the back of the previous season where we had to manage heat, air pollution and other matters it has been a challenging couple of seasons.

NSWCUSA members have stood up across these times and I'd like to thank everyone for their efforts and contribution.

The way in which match officials have led from the front in relation to COVID-19 Playing Conditions and shown empathy to players when coming to terms with these changes has been appreciated by all. It was commented on positively by many stakeholders.

The SCA and Country Cricket Committees of Management are thanked for their efforts in facilitating matches for players to play, umpires to umpire and scorers to score. The efforts of both committees leading up to and during the season were incredible and greatly appreciated by the Association.

The Cricket NSW Competitions staff led by Bruce Whitehouse are acknowledged for their work in organising matches to be officiated. The Competitions Team were presented with a number of challenges this season and at every turn they continued to

ensure matches we played in a COVIDsafe environment.

The Cricket NSW Pathways staff, including Nic Bills, Mark Cameron, Steve Jenkin and Leah Poulton are thanked for organising multiple underage representative fixtures for members to officiate.

Once again, we have been able to achieve 100% coverage of all match in SCA competitions. No mean feat given the flexibility required throughout the season. We have now achieved this coverage for the past seven seasons.

The SCA observers completed 267 reports on 146 umpires. Laurie Borg, Graham Chudleigh, Errol Cranney, Bob Davis, Berend du Plessis and Rupert Mathews are thanked for their hard work and support of the umpires throughout 2020-21. Members were provided with excellent feedback which assists with their progression and development.

A number of incredible milestones were reached during the season, which highlights the commitment and dedication of these members to the Association. All have made significant contributions to the Association and we are grateful for this. Members make the Association tick.

- Brian Walker – 850 Matches (Wagga Wagga)
- Arthur Watson – 800 Matches (SCA)
- Kim Norris – 700 Matches (Newcastle)
- Lindsay Kain – 650 Matches (SCA)



- Greg Lill – 550 Matches (SCA)
- Tony Hackett – 550 Matches (Wagga Wagga)

Our volunteer Committee members are thanked for their efforts throughout a challenging season.

The Exam Committee have done a sterling job providing education to members on a monthly basis. Thank you to Andrew Coates for his leadership of the committee.

The Scorers' Committee under the leadership of Adrian Tham have had another busy season. I thank former Chair Marilyn Fowler for remaining on the committee and assisting with Adrian's onboarding. We've seen a large uptake of new scorer members through the number of training courses that have been facilitated.

The Representative Scorer Selection Committee dealt with a number of challenges this season, I thank my committee colleagues Darren Goodger, Marilyn Fowler and Narelle Johnston for their efforts and flexibility with appointing our scorers this season. Numerous Zoom meetings and emails were required given the changing nature of the cricket schedule. All matches in the WBBL required appointment. There were times where scorer appointments were finalised and within an hour the dates and locations of matches had changed, meaning a reshuffle. With this our representative scorers thanked for their understanding and patience with the late notices that came through these schedule changes.

Our Office-Bearers have also been very busy, including:

- John Evans has again done an outstanding job in delivering the role of Merchandise Officer in the COVID environment. No doubt John is excited and looking forward to this year's Convention being in person.
- Our Zone Representatives have again worked positively in their local areas to build spirit and ensure that matches are covered. We look forward to the winter months and holding a number of training sessions in each zone.
- Ian Wright is thanked for his work with the Social Match Appointments, many requests were received particularly after Christmas and were managed with aplomb.
- Neil Findlay is thanked for providing excellent support to our affiliated associations throughout a challenging season.
- Stephen Blomfield as Honorary Statistician has again provided excellent support to the Management Team to ensure milestones are appropriately recognised.

Directors are thanked for their continued support, assistance, and guidance of the Management Team.

We look forward to an off season full of face to face training courses which were not possible last season. We know there will be a high level of interest from Zone Representatives and Affiliated Associations for training in their area and our training team are ready to go.

Last year's online convention set the bar incredibly high, but as a team we're committed to ensuring that we match or improve on what was delivered. With the





Convention to be held in person we look forward to seeing members from across the state in attendance.

To the team - Claire, Ben and Bede - thank you for the immense contribution you have made to the Association this season. You have all worked long hours to make sure the Association continues to move forward. Members receive excellent service and you all should be proud of your

efforts in delivering a season that provided us with so many challenges.

I again thank each and every member for their efforts this season, you have all gone above and beyond to deliver for our key stakeholders. Enjoy some time off and focus on recharging the batteries as no doubt season 2021-22 will be bigger than ever.



Joint winners of the Malcolm Gorham Scorers' Award  
Janelle Carew and John Kilford // Steven Smith



Dick French presents the E. F. Wykes OAM  
Association Medal to Pat Holt // Steven Smith

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## State Umpiring Manager Update

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### Darren Goodger

The opportunity to contribute to *In Black and White* is appreciated and is taken to offer deepest thanks to all members for their support and contribution to cricket and the NSWCUA in season 2020-21.

With everyone's hard work and commitment we delivered a season of cricket during the pandemic. Outstanding attitudes and resilience displayed from all concerned. Midway through 2020 we may have been forgiven for wondering if a cricket season would even begin. The fact that it commenced and was completed with minimal interruptions is great credit to people's ability to collaborate effectively in the best interests of cricket and the people we serve.

Congratulations and thank you to the NSWCUA Board and Management Team. The Association was well managed and led during a challenging period. Many new members came on board because of the high-quality training programs for prospective umpires offered by Ben Treloar, Claire Polosak and our training team. Thank you to all who made such a positive contribution.

You are to be commended for finding a way and for developing such an excellent online training program with new and engaging materials. Participants were enthused and they enjoyed what was on offer. To Ben, Claire and the trainers we commend and extend our appreciation to you.

The Annual Dinner and Awards Presentation was a season highlight. Those who attended seemed to really enjoy the occasion and being able to catch up with colleagues in person. Bill Harrigan was an engaging, entertaining and thought-provoking guest speaker. Troy Penman and Bede Sajowitz organised the dinner and did a great job. It was wonderful to see so many country umpiring colleagues in attendance. We appreciate you all travelling to support this key event on our calendar. Congratulations to all award winners.

Special mention is made of the Association's two major awards:

Sharad Patel was the recipient of the George Borwick Memorial Award. Sharad had an outstanding season. He had a match average of 4.92 (out of 5) in captains' assessments, respected among Men's Premier Cricket clubs for his decision making, composure and exceptional communication and match management skills. Sharad was appointed to umpire the Men's Premier Cricket Second Grade Final, all reports received indicated he handed in an outstanding performance.

Pat Holt was the recipient of the Ted Wykes Medal for a member of an Affiliated Association. Pat is a member of the Far North Coast Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association. He performed to a high standard in the LJ Hooker League, Northern Rivers Cricket League and



Coastal League. At representative level, Pat was a strong performer at the Bradman Cup Carnival played in Tamworth and in the Women's Regional T20 Bash Final played at North Sydney Oval.

Sharad and Pat were humble and deserving winners.

Graeme Glazebrook is well worthy of mention. Graeme received the Kevin Pye Medal for the sixth consecutive season being named the Country Umpire of the Year. He umpires in the Bathurst Orange competition and in Western Zone representative fixtures.

Graeme is an outstanding umpire and he also does a great job for the Association as Western Zone Umpire Representative. In 2020-21 he umpired the final of the Men's Country Championships and the final of the Men's Regional T20 Bash.

Since our last edition of this journal, there have been several representative appointments for umpires and scorers. Roberto Howard and Sharad Patel umpired a four-day State Second XI fixture at Rosedale Oval between NSW Metropolitan and ACT NSW Country. For both this was their "red ball" Second XI debut and they can be well pleased with their performance. They were supported through this fixture by scorers Sarah Berman and Ian Wright.

Other CNSW representative appointments included:

#### *U19 Male Two-day Representative Match*

NSW Metro v ACT/NSW Country  
Pratten Park; March 30-31.

Umpires:

Andrew Coates & Bob McGregor

Scorers:

Harpreet Singh & Sue Woodhouse

#### *U19 Male One-day Representative Match*

NSW Metro v ACT/NSW Country  
Pratten Park; April 1.

Umpires:

Sachin Solanki & Bruce Whitehouse

Scorers:

Harpreet Singh & Sue Woodhouse

There was a series of U19 Female representative matches hosted by Cricket Albury Wodonga played between Victoria Country, Victoria Metro, ACT NSW Country and NSW Metro. Thank you to Duncan Harrison (Cricket Victoria) and Steve Jenkin (CNSW) for their organisation and inviting New South Wales umpires to be part of this series. The NSW umpires involved were:

- *Day 1 (April 8)*  
Ken Brooks & Neil Smith
- *Day 2 (April 9)*  
Dennis Chaplin & Anthony McGettigan
- *Day 3 (April 10)*  
Jeff Egan & Pat Kerin
- *Day 4 (April 12)*  
Dennis Chaplin & Tony Hackett
- *Day 5 (April 13)*  
Ken Brooks & Neil Smith

John Pearce was the country umpire appointed to the U16 Country v City Challenge match played at Phillip Hughes Oval, Macksville, on April 11 in which Northern District defeated North Coastal by five wickets.

CNSW hosted a series of U19 Female representative matches between New



South Wales and South Australia at Raby.  
The match official appointments were:

#### *April 17*

2 x T20 matches

Umpires:

Dave Cullen & Peter McNamara

Scorers:

Robyn Sanday & Harpreet Singh

#### *April 18*

50 overs per side match

Umpires:

Stephen Blomfield & Simon Dodwell

Scorers:

Peter Garlick & Adrian Tham

#### *April 19*

2 x T20 matches

Umpires:

Mark Hughes & Elizabeth O'Dwyer

Scorers:

Geoff Rogers & Ian Wright

Our scorers did a fantastic job across the season. Congratulations to Janelle Carew (UNSW) and John Kilford (Sydney University) on receiving the Malcolm Gorham Award for 2020-21, the first time the award has been shared.

To all scorers who officiated at representative level we commend and thank you for representing our Association with distinction. Toni Lorraine, Kay Wilcoxon and Ian Wright officiated in national finals, Toni and Ian recording the BBL Final and the One Day Cup Final, Toni and Kay being the scorers for the WBBL Final. Toni and Ian were the scorers for the Men's Australia v India Test Match at the SCG, this being Ian's debut. Outstanding recognition for a truly dedicated member and accomplished scorer.

Congratulations to Kay Wilcoxon on her career as a representative scorer. Kay decided to retire from representative scoring after the WBBL Final. Kay has been an exemplary scorer over a long period for Fairfield-Liverpool and in representative programs. She scored at the highest level, respected by all. We thank Kay for her contribution and wish her the very best in her future endeavours.

Congratulations to all members who were appointed to umpire national finals by Cricket Australia. We are pleased for you and very proud of you:

#### *Sheffield Shield*

Paul Wilson

#### *One Day Cup*

Gerard Abood

#### *BBL*

Paul Wilson

Gerard Abood (TV Umpire)

#### *WNCL*

Claire Polosak

Troy Penman (TV Umpire)

#### *WBBL*

Claire Polosak

Tony Wilds (TV Umpire)



Troy Penman, David Taylor and Claire Polosak at the presentation after the WNCL Final // Getty

All our contracted umpires are wonderful advocates for and supporters of the NSWCUA.

Due to the pandemic our State Umpire Panel received limited opportunities this season, however Roberto Howard, Sharad Patel and Bede Sajowitz were appointed by Cricket Australia to umpire matches in the WBBL, all three being involved in the WBBL hub in Sydney prior to Christmas. Andrew Hamilton, Sharad and Bede were involved in umpiring matches in the WNCL.

All opportunities were gratefully received, and each umpire put his best foot forward. Our State Umpire Panel continues to perform strongly, they represent CNSW and NSWCUA with pride and have performed very well.

Congratulations are offered to all umpires appointed to finals to competitions across New South Wales. Here are the finals appointments to Sydney Cricket Association and New South Wales Country Cricket Association competitions:

#### *WPC First Grade*

Tim Donahoo & Peter Tate

#### *WPC Second Grade*

John Colwell & Elizabeth O'Dwyer

#### *WPC Third Grade*

Scott Fraser & Kevin McFarlane

#### *WPC Brewer Shield*

Katie Collins & David Stewart

#### *MPC First Grade*

Ben Treloar & Tony Wilds

#### *MPC Second Grade*

Simon Lightbody & Sharad Patel

#### *MPC Third Grade*

Andrew Hamilton & Troy Penman

#### *MPC Fourth Grade*

Darren Goodger & Bede Sajowitz

#### *MPC Fifth Grade*

Roberto Howard & Daniel Moran

#### *Metropolitan Cup*

David Abbey & Andrew Coates

#### *Shires First Grade*

Stephen Blomfield & Simon Dodwell

#### *Shires Second Grade*

Cameron Duff & Tim Overland

#### *Shires Third Grade*

Ian Pryde & Geoff Wheeler

#### *Shires Fourth Grade*

Scott Pryde & Ian Tabrett

#### *Shires Fifth Grade*

Cameron McGinn & Peter Mooney

#### *Chappelow Cup*

Ian Carew & Kim Hunter

#### *Country Championships*

Graeme Glazebrook & Keiran Knight



Keiran Knight, Neil Findlay and Graeme Glazebrook ahead of the Country Championships Final // Bruce Whitehouse

Special mention is made of member Gary Crombie who is now living in Western Australia, and as such has indicated he will not be available to continue as Zone Umpire Representative for Central Northern nor as a member of the Country Umpire Representative Panel.

Sincere thanks are extended to Gary for his admirable service. He has done a wonderful job coordinating training and development in the Hunter Valley and Northern Inland and as an umpire is highly respected by his colleagues and the players.



Gary Crombie and James Figallo together during the 2019-20 season // Bruce Whitehouse

Two of our former NSWCUSA staff in Nic Bills (Sydney) and Jay Lenton (Manly-Warringah) played in the Men's First Grade Final. Sydney defeated Manly-Warringah on first innings to win the Belvidere Cup. Nic and Jay were selected in the First Grade Team of the Year. Congratulations and well done to both.

It will be a requirement in season 2021-22 for an umpire to have their CA Representative Officiating accreditation up to date if they wish to be appointed to umpire:

- NSW Men's Premier Cricket First Grade, Second Grade & Third Grade
- Kingsgrove Sports T20 Cup
- Poidevin-Gray Shield
- AW Green Shield
- NSW Women's Premier Cricket First Grade
- Representative matches in Country Cricket NSW programs (Country Championships Male & Female; Country Colts; Bradman Cup)
- Regional T20 Bash (Male & Female)
- CNSW representative & pathway matches (Male & Female)
- CNSW State Challenge (Male & Female)

<https://www.community.cricket.com.au/umpire/get-involved/representative-officiating>

There is no cost for members to reaccredit at their existing level, for those wishing to complete the Representative Officiating accreditation for the first time, there is a cost of \$100 which is valid for four years.

Anyone wanting more information or needing assistance to go through the online learning process, are encouraged to contact Claire Polosak for further information. Claire's email address is [Claire.Polosak@cricketnsw.com.au](mailto:Claire.Polosak@cricketnsw.com.au)

The Representative Officiating accreditation course is designed for the match official who is paid to officiate in organised games of cricket as part of a



registered association. Expectations of competence increase as you move into higher levels of cricket, so therefore the Representative course provides upskilling on all aspects of the role. This upskilling includes match management strategies for handling difficult situations.

The course assesses knowledge of the current Laws of Cricket, but is not an exam, rather it is self-paced competency-based learning and assessment. The intent of the program is to reinforce what you know rather than test what you don't know.

The time taken to complete the on-line course is in excess of two hours and we recommend doing it in two or three sections to ensure full understanding of the content. The system will automatically bookmark where you have left the course.

Once you have completed the full accreditation program you will receive an accreditation certificate with your accreditation number. This accreditation is valid for four years and at the end of this period you may complete a reaccreditation program to continue holding the Representative Officiating accreditation.

We are here and pleased to support you through the accreditation / reaccreditation process, so please do ask if you require assistance.

I read recently a lovely piece written by Adam Addicott in which Ash Barty is interviewed. The article was well worth the read. I have taken some of the points made in it and include them here for your interest:

*I think a lot of the confidence I've gained this year was from the work that I'd done with my team prior to even playing my first match.*

*Without a doubt, you grow with each match that you play, every opportunity you get to try something new or try and rectify a few mistakes that you made in previous matches. That's all learning.*

*I think the confidence comes from the practice and the preparation. Then the match is the opportunity to go out there and hone your craft.*

*I think with more matches that you play, it's always a different opponent, different conditions. I think there are so many different variables in tennis, that's the challenge, just trying to bring your best regardless of those conditions, regardless of who you're playing, what surface, whether it's windy, cold, rainy, whatever it is. Trying to adapt to that as best you can. I feel like we've (my team) had a really good balance of that this year.*

*For us, the growth never stops. When the growth stops, the game stops for me. It's a massive part of me, always trying to get better every single day.*

Ash Barty is current world no. 1 and a wonderful role model. So much we, as match officials striving to be the best we can be, may learn from her. As we review our respective seasons as honestly as possible, what may we take from Ash Barty's messages about:

- Teamwork?
- Confidence; where does it come from and what gives us the right?
- Grabbing opportunity?



- Do we treat mistakes as friends?
- Being open to learning?
- Quality of our attitude and preparation?
- Adaptability?
- Balance?
- Growth?
- Commitment to self-improvement?

*The best impromptu speeches are the ones written well in advance.*

Ruth Gordon

To all staff in the Competitions and Officiating Team at CNSW, congratulations, well done on and thank you for a fabulous year, you can be proud of what you achieved:

- Stephen Blomfield
- Roy Formica
- Sean Mantle
- Jess McMahon
- Troy Penman
- Claire Polosak

- Bede Sajowitz
- Ben Treloar
- Bruce Whitehouse

You delivered a cricket season and found a way in all instances.

Troy and Bruce have led their respective teams with excellence, encouragement and positive energy.

To Lee Germon, members of the CNSW Senior Leadership Team, John Knox and the NSW Cricket Board we extend our appreciation for your leadership and support of match officials. Character is exhibited in a crisis. We owe CNSW a great deal.

Thank you again to all NSWCUA members, what we achieved together in season 2020-21 was incredible. We may be proud of our efforts in serving cricket.



Phil Rainger and Ross McKim take to the SCG for a Plan B Regional Bash Conference Final

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## Education Officer Update

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### Ben Treloar

It has been a somewhat quieter period for the training team with no umpire training courses held since February. The February course was a successful one and has culminated in many participants attaining the NSWCUA Level II accreditation and subsequently being invited to join and welcomed to the Association.

Sincere thanks are offered to the trainers involved in the February course for the hours they put into their preparation. This set them up for success and was measured by their engaging delivery and the positive feedback received.

With March comes finals cricket and this saw a rules night held for those who were selected to officiate throughout the NSW Men's Premier Cricket Finals Series. The night was held at the Bankstown Sports Club, with the purpose of the night being was to have our umpires together and work through the playing conditions for the finals series matches, highlighting the differences in applying Game 1 and 5.

With the 2020-21 season coming to an end, our focus shifts to preparing for what will be a huge winter program for our training and education team. This period will see the team facilitate numerous umpire training courses and professional development workshops across NSW along with the Annual Convention in Tamworth.

### Regional Education Opportunities

- 3 & 4 July – Orange  
(Laws of Cricket – Level II)
  - Please contact Graeme Glazebrook  
[graeme.glazebrook@bigpond.com](mailto:graeme.glazebrook@bigpond.com)
- 17 & 18 July – Newcastle  
(Laws of Cricket – Level II)
  - Please contact Kim Norris for details  
[kimnorris@bigpond.com](mailto:kimnorris@bigpond.com)
- 31 July & 1 Aug – Cootamundra  
(PD Workshop)
  - Please contact Pat Kerin for details  
[pk1951@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pk1951@bigpond.net.au)
- 31 July & 1 Aug – Armidale  
(Laws of Cricket – Level II)
  - Please contact Gary Crombie for details  
[gary\\_crombie@hotmail.com](mailto:gary_crombie@hotmail.com)
- 7 & 8 August – Albury  
(Laws of Cricket – Level II)
  - Please contact Geoff Beer for details  
[secretary.murrayborder.cua@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.murrayborder.cua@gmail.com)
- 14 & 15 August – Central Coast  
(Laws of Cricket – Level II)
  - Please contact David Grainger for details  
[dkgrainger.cricket@gmail.com](mailto:dkgrainger.cricket@gmail.com)
- 14 & 15 August – Lismore  
(Laws of Cricket – Level II)
- 15 August – Lismore  
(PD Workshop)
  - Please contact Doug Trigg for details  
[dlktrigg@bigpond.com](mailto:dlktrigg@bigpond.com)
- 28 & 29 August – Tamworth  
(Annual Convention)
  - Registration to be through NSWCUA
- 11 & 12 September – Camden  
(Laws of Cricket – Level II)
  - Please contact David Stewart for details  
[dstewart@macarthur.nsw.edu.au](mailto:dstewart@macarthur.nsw.edu.au)





- 11 September – Illawarra  
(PD Workshop)
  - Please contact Neil Findlay  
[nwfindlay@hotmail.com](mailto:nwfindlay@hotmail.com)
- 3, 5, 10 12 & 17 August – Parramatta  
(Laws of Cricket – Level II)
  - Ken Bakon  
[bakon@optushome.com.au](mailto:bakon@optushome.com.au)
- 17, 18, 19, 24, 25 & 26 August – Newcastle  
(Laws of Cricket – Level II)
  - Please contact Kim Norris for details  
[kimnorris@bigpond.com](mailto:kimnorris@bigpond.com)

Planning is well underway for the Annual Convention, this year to be held in Tamworth over the weekend of 28 & 29 August, so please have this in your diary. Future correspondence will be sent to members advising of how you can register

for the event. It would be great to see as many members in attendance as possible. It's an engaging weekend, jam-packed with education and development sessions as well as a wonderful opportunity to catch up with our colleagues.

The Laws of Cricket questions will continue to be rolled out every month with answers to follow the next week. If there are specific scenarios you would like to see discussed, please send your ideas to [ben.treloar@cricketnsw.com.au](mailto:ben.treloar@cricketnsw.com.au) and we could see them included as part of future editions.

Wishing everyone well for the off-season.



Sue Gregory and Aldo Cantori together ahead of a match at Bensons Lane

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## *2021 Annual Dinner & Awards Night*

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### **Bede Sajowitz**

Sharad Patel has taken out NSWCUA's highest honour – the George Borwick Memorial Award – for the second time at the Association's Annual Dinner and Awards Night in Bankstown on Saturday night.

With just 0.33 separating the top six, the award highlights an outstanding season for Patel, which saw him umpire in the WBBL and WNCL as well as a Second XI fixture and the NSW Men's Premier Cricket Second Grade Final.

Alongside excellence on field, the award recognises his commitment to the Association by way of meeting attendance and availability to officiate.

Patel first won the award in 2017-18, the season in which he made his First Grade debut.

Over 170 members and guests attended the evening at Bankstown Sports Club which celebrated the 2020-21 summer and the achievements of members across the state and around the country.

Far North Coast Cricket Umpires' and Scorers' Association member Pat Holt was awarded the E. F. Wykes OAM Association Medal for excellence and commitment to an affiliated association.

Holt performed strongly across the season which saw him on-field for the NSW Women's Regional Bash Final at North Sydney Oval as well as the Bradman Cup carnival in Tamworth.

He also oversaw matches in all rounds of local competitions – the LJ Hooker League, the Coastal League and the Northern Rivers Cricket League.

The Malcolm Gorham Scorers' Award was presented to joint-winners for the first time with Sydney University CC's John Kilford and UNSW CC's Janelle Carew unable to be separated, recognising significant contribution they make to their club as scorers.

Graeme Glazebrook received the Kevin Pye Medal for Country Umpire of the Year for a record-breaking sixth occasion in a season where he again umpired the Finals of the Plan B Regional Bash and the Country Championships.

The best umpire from each of the Men's Premier Cricket Umpire Panels were also recognised and celebrated on the night.

Darren Goodger received the Panel One Award for the eleventh time and sixth in a row, completing a second consecutive season with a match average of five out of five from captains.



David Abbey won the Panel Two Award, with an average of 4.72 across a season in which he debuted in First Grade.

The Panel Three Award was presented to Allan Owens, who debuted in and umpired five matches in Second Grade, finishing the season with an average of 4.76.

Nathan Harvey marked his second season of umpiring with a Third Grade debut and the Panel Four Award, averaging 4.5 across 12 matches during 2020-21.

Special presentations were made to former representative scorers Christine Bennison and Kay Wilcoxon, Life Member Graham Reed and former Cricket NSW General Manager, Cricket Performance David Moore to commemorate their work for and support of the Association over a prolonged period.

Sarah Berman (men's List A and men's First-class), Troy Penman (men's List A), Adrian Tham (men's International T20),

Ben Treloar (men's First-class) and Ian Wright (men's Test) were all recognised for making significant debuts across the season.

Christian Rayner was awarded the Alan Marshall Medal for Rookie of the Year in his first season umpiring Men's Premier Cricket, officiating 11 matches across Fourth and Fifth Grade, averaging 3.99.

16 umpires and scorers in attendance were recognised for achieving significant milestones, including Arthur Watson and Kim Norris who umpired their 800th and 700th matches during the summer.

22 members were presented with Years of Service badges, including Terry New and Ian Thomas who this year brought up 40 years as members.

Certificates were also presented to 40 members in attendance recognising matches officiated at a representative level as both umpires and scorers.



(left to right) Award-winners Graeme Glazebrook, Sharad Patel, Allan Owens, Janelle Carew, Pat Holt, Darren Goodger, Christian Rayner and Nathan Harvey



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## *Ben Treloar Makes First-Class Debut*

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### **Bede Sajowitz**

When he takes to the field at the Adelaide Oval on 6 March, Ben Treloar became the 83rd NSWCUA member to umpire men's first-class cricket.

In his fourth season on Cricket Australia's Supplementary Umpire Panel, Treloar was also on field in the One-Day Cup match between the same teams on 4 March - his second men's List A match after making his debut last season when South Australia hosted Tasmania at Karen Rolton Oval.

NSW State Umpiring Manager Darren Goodger said, "it takes a long time to become an overnight success. He has earned this first-class appointment on merit having been very patient and working his way methodically through the Australian umpiring pathway for a decade.

"We can be proud of Ben. He is an exceptional person, as real as they come, and umpire."



Mike Graham-Smith and Ben Treloar take to the Adelaide Oval // Getty

Having joined the Association in 2006, he has now umpired 240 SCA matches, with 155 in First Grade. In that time, he has overseen two Limited Overs Cup Finals and

five Kingsgrove Sports T20 Cup Finals.

At a representative level, Treloar also oversaw the final of both the WNCL and WBBL last season.

He attended five underage male National Championships carnivals between 2010-11 and 2015-16 – two Under 17s and three Under 19s – and officiated in U19 international series against Sri Lanka and New Zealand.

He also has experience officiating touring sides, umpiring matches between the Cricket Australia XI and the Pakistanis and then the England Lions last summer as well as the Governor-General's XI against England and New Zealand Women's sides.

Off field, Treloar's contribution to umpiring extends to his professional life where he is the NSWCUA Education Officer, a role he has held since November 2019.

Goodger said, "Ben is an outstanding employee at CNSW in the area of umpire education and development, enthusiastic about training prospective umpires and doing the best he can for the members of NSWCUA and to improve the Association.

Tasmanian Mike Graham-Smith was his partner in the middle, Steve Davis the Match Referee, with Neil Ricketts and John Tregloan scoring the match.

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## Around the Zones

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### Neil Findlay

#### *Camden District CUA*

The CDCUA Executive was very proud of our members throughout the 2020-21 season for their professionalism and consistency as they fluently implemented the COVID-19 playing conditions to ensure community safety and to avoid interruptions to the season.

We welcomed six new members to our Association this season – the captains certainly appreciated the quality of our new umpires with the captains' marks across our six new umpires averaging an excellent 22.1 out of 25. The CDCUA was very pleased to have one of our members, Erica Looyen, become the first female to officiate in an U16 CDCA Final, which is the pinnacle of junior cricket in the district. Mark Kraljevic and Rob Pinney represented our Association admirably as they were appointed as umpires for the Martin Shield Semi Finals, with Rob Pinney then appointed to officiate in the Martin Shield Final for the second year in a row.

#### *Central Coast CUA*

Umpire milestones during the season:

- Tony Booth - 375 games
- Mark Ronson - 200 games
- Tom Maurer - 175 games
- Hamish Millen - 125 games
- Bill Colbran - 100 games
- John Davidson - 100 games
- Dave Grainger - 75 games
- Elisabeth Houston - 50 games



David Moore presents John Davidson with a representative match certificate // Steven Smith

#### Umpires Retiring:

- Joe Dowden - 237 games
- James Figallo – 184 games.

#### *Churches Cricket CUA & Inner West Harbour CUA*

Inner West Harbour seniors and Churches Cricket ran a full combined competition in the 2020-21 season. Umpires from Inner West Harbour and Churches supported by umpires from Premier and Shires umpires officiated in more matches per round than ever before including the first female umpire, Leone Mizzi, who has a very bright future.

#### *Highlands District CUA*

Season 2020-21 has been a good one for the HDCUA. Our small association continues to cover a lot of ground both with our local competition and with representative appointments.

On the local front, we covered more matches than previous seasons, which was appreciated by the clubs and players. Again, we were fortunate to have Simon Taufel officiate for us this season and we utilised Simon's wealth of experience and knowledge to further improve our skills, in a coaching and mentoring way, as match officials throughout the season.

This season we were able to cover all Representative matches scheduled in the Highlands with two umpires - a big thank you to those umpires who made themselves available to officiate.

Season 2020-21 saw the HDCA introduce a women's T20 mid-week competition - the Tina Macpherson Cup. Tina is a former International and is a local in the Highlands. A big thanks to Simon Taufel, Byron Kauflin and John Burgoyne who officiated these matches.

Our Association continues to have a healthy relationship with the HDCA, and we thank the HDCA for this good relationship.

#### *Hornsby Ku-ring-gai and Hills District CUA*

Jason Fletcher umpired his inaugural A Grade Final while Geoff Hasler officiated in his 16<sup>th</sup> A Grade Final.

Three NSWCUA members reached milestones during the season – Geoff Halser (464 matches), Simon Moore (410 matches) and Ian Lewis (202 matches).

#### *Murray Border CUA*

MBCUA has had another successful season which was unique in that for the early

rounds umpires who officiated in Victoria had to wear masks.

Paul Johnson is to be congratulated on umpiring his first Cricket Albury-Wodonga Provincial A Grade Grand Final.

Other highlights of the season include:

- Wayne Cook officiating in his 25<sup>th</sup> year of Junior Country week.
- Neil Smith and Ken Brooks being appointed to the NSW Country Panel.
- Peter Bridle and Norm MacLure umpiring in the and Bradman Cup.
- Ken Brooks and Stuart Lancaster officiating in the Gorrel Cup, Raj Kapoor, Tim Hanlon, Norm MacLure and Geoff Beer in the Coulston / Scammel Shield and Tim Hanlon and Peter Bridle in the final of the O'Farrell Cup.

#### *Newcastle District CUA*

NDCUA celebrated its Centenary during the season: 1921-2021 (100 Years).

Members were involved in 21 finals for season 2020-21, with a record 27 NDCUA members appointed to finals.

NDCUA members were appointed also to a record of over 40 school matches over the season, often travelling outside of the Newcastle area to officiate.

#### *North Coast CUA*

NCCUA inaugural President Brian Kennedy was awarded Life Membership at the last AGM. This is our first member to have Life Membership bestowed.





Steve Cameron made his debut in First Grade GF in Lower Clarence CA competition, after five years as a NSWCUA member and umpiring in this competition. He has also clicked over 100 matches finishing with 118 at the end of the season.

Bill McCarron, a NSWCUA Principal Member, has finally put the counter away. Bill has been a NSWCUA member since 1996 and it is recorded that he has umpired in excess of 230 matches in that time. He didn't give away playing cricket until he was 68 in 2009 and started full time umpiring in 2010.

Dave Whitby brought up 150 matches for Lower Clarence, 155 at season's end. Dave also had a number of years in the Clarence River cricket competition but there are no stats for those years.

#### *Northern Inland CUA*

We currently have 23 members and have covered games in M. A. Connolly Cup and Northern Inland Cricket Council junior competitions with umpires travelling to Glenn Innes, Walcha, Gunnedah, Narrabri, Quirindi, Bingara, Moree, Inverell, Tamworth and Armidale.

We currently have two female umpires both accredited by NSWCUA.

The following umpires were appointed to Plan B Regional T20 Bash at Scone in November 2020: Steve Eccles, Ian James, Rod Porter and Peter Smith.

The following umpires were appointed to Cricket NSW U13s Youth Championship in

Scone in December 2020: Lauren McGill, Peter Smith, Ian James and Steve Eccles. Geoff Hoy and Wayne Solomons were appointed to Cricket NSW U13s & U14s carnival in Dubbo.

The following umpires were appointed to Women's U17s & U19s Country Championships in Tamworth in January 2021: Steve Eccles, Geoff Hoy, Ian James, Lauren McGill, Mike McKenzie, Dan O'Connor and Wayne Solomons.

The M. A. Connolly Cup Grand Final umpires were Geoff Hoy and Wayne Solomons and the Gunnedah First Grade Final was umpired by Beryl McCormack and Mick Silver and the Second Grade Final was umpired by Geoff Hoy and Wayne Solomons.

#### *Riverina Cricket Zone*

The following Riverina umpires officiated in NSW Men's Premier Cricket matches during the season:

First Grade: Brenton Harrison (Griffith CUA), Jeff Egan and Murray Le Lievre (Wagga Wagga CUA).

Second Grade: Pat Kerin (Cootamundra CUA), Dennis Chaplin and Graham Moon (Wagga Wagga CUA).

#### *Shoalhaven District CUA*

Dr William (Bill) Crozier returned to the umpiring ranks in Shoalhaven following his previous career in the Cooma-Monaro area.

Umpire milestones during the season:

- Peter Done – 500 matches
- Darrell Craft – 150 matches



### *Sydney Shires CUA*

Season 2020-21 represents the SSCUA 20th anniversary since formation in 2001. As part of our 20th anniversary season members who have held membership for 5, 10, 15 and 20 consecutive years were awarded a commemorative lapel pin at the pre-season meeting in October 2020.

Of note is that over the course of these 20 years the SSCUA has seen a total of 277 people hold membership at one time or another however only 6 members who joined in our inaugural season of 2001-02 remain as members today.

Those members were acknowledged at the pre-season meeting with the awarding of the 20 year membership lapel pin. Those members were Stephen Blomfield, Glen Hanshaw, Ivan Holland, Michael Roberts, Gordon Smith, and Stephen Starks.

During the course of the 2020-21 season the following members have officiated milestone matches as follows with each member receiving an Association polo shirt with their number of games officiated embroidered on the shirt –

- Stephen Blomfield 500 matches
- Gordon Smith 300 matches
- Ian Bowman 250 matches
- Tony Bergman 200 matches
- David Goodman 150 matches
- Simon Dodwell 100 matches
- Les Chegwiddden 100 matches
- Homer Paxton 100 matches
- Stephen Maxwell 50 matches
- Cameron McGinn 50 matches
- Warwick Vyse 50 matches
- Keith Elloy 50 matches
- Bradley Bristow 50 matches
- Grant Christopher 50 matches

### *Sydney Women's CUA*

Considering the disruptions and uncertainties caused by COVID-19, it was very pleasing that a full 2020-21 season was played without too much interruption.

It has certainly been a challenging year. However, everyone involved has worked hard to ensure that players were able to have an enjoyable season. Our members quickly adapted and were able to closely follow the extra protocols implemented to deal with COVID-19. Once again, the Association managed to successfully provide two umpires for every match in every grade in NSW Women's Premier Cricket.

COVID-19 restrictions meant that all regular monthly meetings of the association had to be cancelled and the AGM, which is normally held in August of each year, had to be postponed until February.

The SWCUA currently has a total of 81 members (66 active). It was pleasing to see that membership has continued to increase with 17 new members joining the Association during the season.

With a maximum of 26 Women's Competition appointments each Sunday, many of our umpires also assist in other competitions when needed. There is close liaison with Stephen Blomfield (Youth Championships) and Ian Wright (Social Appointments) and with a number of other local competitions.

The Association had the pleasure to host county umpire Lauren McGill who travelled from her hometown of Tamworth on two occasions during the season to officiate in



the Women's First Grade competition. Lauren is a young lady with enormous enthusiasm who demonstrated great maturity and competence on the field. We wish her well in the career development and we look forward to more opportunities to host her, and hopefully a few others, in coming years.

The season was marred by the untimely passing of long-term member and representative on the SCA Women's Sub-committee, Gerry Forliano. Gerry was and will continue to be missed by his fellow umpires, the players and the various administrators with whom Gerry worked very closely. May he rest in peace.

Congratulations are extended to those umpires who were appointed, several for the first time, to officiate in the various Finals matches.

Finally, many thanks go to Darren Goodger plus Troy Penman, Bede Sajowitz, Claire Polosak and Ben Treloar for their on-going support of the SWCUA. Thanks also to Sean Mantle and all the members of the Women's Sub-committee, whose excellent management ensured another successful and rewarding season for Women's cricket.

#### *Tamworth District CUSA*

The 2020-21 season again followed the pattern of the last few years with new challenges including floods, washed-out games and ongoing COVID-19 restrictions. The highlights for our Association included:

- Hosts the 2021 NSWCUA Annual Convention
- Six members were appointed to officiate at NSW carnivals (Geoff Hoy,

Ian James, Lauren McGill, Mike McKenzie, Dan O'Connor and Wayne Solomons)

- Providing umpires in matches at our cost due to TDCA clubs losing funding for the 2020-21 season
- Lauren McGill officiating in a Men's Premier Cricket Third Grade match and Women's Premier Cricket First Grade match.



Steve Lalor & Mike McKenzie at the Fourth Grade Semi-Final

Our Association covered all grades, senior and junior representative matches, women's, veterans and both primary and secondary school matches during the season.

Additionally, we provided umpires for Central Northern representative fixtures (these included Steve Beaton, Leon Erich, Ian Furner, Geoff Hoy, Al Herbert, Lauren McGill, Paul Purdy and Wayne Solomons.



TDCUSA has 22 members on our books currently and providing officials for so many matches was a sterling effort.

Wayne Solomons and Geoff Hoy also officiated in the Gunnedah Grand Finals in late March.

#### *Wagga Wagga CUA*

Anthony McGettigan umpired his inaugural First Grade Final while, in the Fourth Grade Final, NSWCUA Principal Member Brian Walker officiated in his 850<sup>th</sup> match.



Newcastle DCUA's Ross McKim and Central Coast CUA's David Grainger on duty at a Country Cricket NSW carnival in Tamworth

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## *CAS Cricket Umpires*

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The cricket umpiring group within The Associated Schools of NSW (CAS) became an affiliate of NSWCUSA in 2018-19 and appreciates the support received from Cricket NSW and the State Umpiring Headquarters, particularly Darren Goodger, Troy Penman, Bede Sajowitz, Claire Polosak and Ben Treloar.

The Secretary of the CAS Umpires' Association is Mark Bos, the CAS General Convener. Bruce Wood is the CAS Umpires' Co-ordinator and is an office-bearer on the CAS Umpires' Association in the role of Training Officer. Bruce undertakes all functions associated with the management of the CAS umpiring panel.

The CAS had a successful season of cricket in 2020-21, completing all competition rounds from October to March, with appropriate COVID-19 protocols in place.

The CAS First XI umpiring panel includes Bruce Wood, Dom Credentino, Tim Creamer, Brad Cole, Ayan Lahiri, Phil Gordon, Joe Scarcella, Pete Schouten & Arees Rauf. Other umpires helped to fill vacancies as required, including Scott Reid, Robin Smith & Michael Schokman.

Two umpires were appointed to all CAS First XI competition matches in 2020-21, including the Limited Overs (50 overs and T20) fixtures.

The CAS introduced new badges to acknowledge milestones such as 50 or 100 competition matches umpired.

Mark Bos was pleased to present Bruce Wood with the first official milestone badge for umpiring 100 CAS First XI (Archer Shield) competition matches, and a CAS tie for his honorary work as the CAS Umpires' Co-ordinator. Brad Cole is to be congratulated on receiving the CAS milestone badge for 50 Archer Shield (First XI) matches.

Cranbrook School defeated Knox Grammar at Woollahra 2/3 Oval in Round 10 on 6 March 2021 to secure back-to-back CAS First XI premierships. Phil Gordon and Ayan Lahiri umpired this important match, which determined the outcome of the Archer Shield. St Aloysius College finished the CAS competition in a credible second position.

Cranbrook also won the CAS T20 title, defeating Barker College in the Final at Dangar Oval, Rose Bay, on 3 February 2021. Bruce Wood and Dom Credentino were appointed to umpire this Final.

The leading batsman in the CAS this season was NSW U15 representative, Sam Konstas from Cranbrook, who scored 499 runs @ 71.29 average, with highest scores of 111 and 102 no.

Sam has been selected in a Cricket Australia squad to attend a training camp at the National Cricket Centre in Brisbane in July 2021.

In representative cricket, the annual CAS v. GPS matches were held at Barker College on 28 February 2021. Bruce Wood (CAS) and Drew Morrow (GPS) umpired the First



XI match, while Dom Credentino (CAS) and Evan Nicholas (GPS) umpired the U16 clash. The results were shared with a win a piece.

The CAS is looking to expand its umpiring panel in 2021-22 so they have enough

umpires to cover the Second XI matches as well. Any interested umpires are welcome to contact Bruce Wood - [brucegwood27@gmail.com](mailto:brucegwood27@gmail.com)



Mark Bos presents Bruce Wood with a tie and milestone badge celebrating his service to CAS cricket with Dominic Credentino



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## *New Umpires in Sutherland Shire*

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Sutherland Shire Cricket Umpires' Association (SSCUA) have a number of new recruits following their success in the NSWCUA Laws of Cricket examination program.

Duncan Howard of Kirrawee was assigned to his first official umpiring duty during the season on Saturday 19 December.

He was partnered with Craig Lardner of Burraneer Bay for the U16A one-day match of Gymea/Cronulla vs Bangor at Gawley Oval - Craig was doing his 100th match.

The SSCUA have introduced a program for new umpires to partner them with an experienced umpire for their first match to assist with their introduction to the craft.

Of the initiative, Craig commented, "being a mentor for a new umpire in their early matches can help build their confidence and ensures a solid understanding of the Laws of Cricket is instilled.

"It also builds accuracy and quality of the umpires' decision-making."

After the match, a three-run cliff-hanger that saw Gymea/Cronulla took the points in the last over, Duncan added, "That was great, you pick up so much when you have some experience out there with you and close at hand during the game. I'm ready to go solo now!"



Craig Lardner marks his 100th match with new recruit Duncan Howard doing his first

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## *Wilson On-Field for Sheffield Shield Final*

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### **Bede Sajowitz**

NSWCUSA member Paul Wilson was on-field in the Sheffield Shield Final between Queensland and New South Wales, which took place at Allan Border Field beginning on April 15.

It was the fourth time Wilson officiated the decider – having stood in the 2015-16, 2016-17 and the most recent final prior to this season’s – the 2018-19 iteration which saw Victoria beat New South Wales in Melbourne.

His partner for the match was Tasmanian Sam Nogajski, himself officiating his third Shield Final – which saw the pairing oversee their second consecutive final together.

The appointment concluded a busy summer for Wilson, having officiated the

Third and Fourth Test matches and one match in each of the One-Day and T20 International series against India.

On a domestic front, he also officiated three Shield matches during the regular season – including the clash between the same two states earlier in April in Wollongong – as well as one match in the One-Day Cup and five in the Big Bash League.

The match was the second domestic final overseen by Wilson and Nogajski this season, having also been on-field for the BBL Final at the SCG in February.

For Wilson, it was his 65th men’s first-class match since debuting in the 2009-10 Shield season at the WACA Ground when Western Australia hosted New South Wales.



Sam Nogajski and Paul Wilson take to the field // Getty

Queenslander Donovan Koch was also involved in the Shield final for the first time, overseeing proceedings from the Third Umpire’s chair.

Local scorers Tracey Moody and Doug O’Neill recorded the match, with Bob Parry officiating as Match Referee.

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## *NSWCUSA Pair Oversee WNCL Final*

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### **Bede Sajowitz**

NSWCUSA members Troy Penman and Claire Polosak were appointed to officiate the WNCL Final between Victoria and Queensland at Melbourne's CitiPower Centre held on 27 March.

Polosak was on-field, partnered with Queensland-based David Taylor, whilst Penman officiated as Third Umpire – the trio all being members of Cricket Australia's Supplementary Umpire Panel.

Since making her debut in the format – also in a match between Victoria and Queensland – Polosak has umpired 23 women's List A matches, five of those coming in the WNCL.

One of those was the 2016-17 Final between Queensland and New South Wales, played at the Gabba, which was also the most recent match she officiated in the competition prior to the Final.

Earlier this season, Polosak was on-field for the WBBL Final at North Sydney Oval, together with Eloise Sheridan becoming the first female pairing to officiate a senior national final.

Whilst Penman has been on-field for three WNCL matches, including last year's Final, the match was his first time as Third Umpire in the competition.

Penman was Third Umpire in the One-Day Cup match between Tasmania and New South Wales at Blundstone Arena earlier in March and has overseen seven WBBL matches from the Third Umpire's seat in addition to last summer's Governor General's XI match against the touring Indians.

Bob Parry was the Match Referee with local pairing Shelly Baulch and Natasha Noblett appointed as scorers.



Polosak and Taylor during the WNCL Final // Getty



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## *Four Involved in One-Day Cup Final*

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### **Bede Sajowitz**

Gerard Abood was appointed on-field in the One-Day Cup Final between New South Wales and Western Australia at Bankstown Oval on 11 April – one of four NSWCUA members to be involved.

Mosman CC's Toni Lorraine and Sydney CC's Ian Wright were appointed to score the match, with Honorary Member David Gilbert overseeing the fixture as Match Referee.

The final concluded what was a busy season for Abood – having been involved in all three formats of the Indian international tour, five Sheffield Shield fixtures, two One-Day Cup matches and ten BBL matches.

It was consecutive finals for Abood and Victorian Shawn Craig, who umpired the 2019-20 Final together at Allan Border Field as Western Australia defeated Queensland.

The match was Abood's 54th men's List A fixture since he debuted in the format during the 2005-06 season when Victoria hosted New South Wales at Wangaratta.

For scorer pairing Lorraine and Wright – it was the ninth match they recorded



Gerard Abood and Shawn Craig ahead of the 2019-20 One-Day Cup Final // Getty

together this season, including one in each format of the India tour, the BBL Final, a WBBL semi-final and the Premier Cricket clash between their two clubs.

It was Lorraine's 36th men's List A match, whilst Wright recorded his 37th in the format – for each they were scoring their first One-Day Cup Final.

David Gilbert was appointed Match Referee for the Final, his second match in the competition this season, alongside three Sheffield Shield matches, three WNCL, four BBL and 14 WBBL.

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## Affiliated Association Finals

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### Neil Findlay

#### *Bathurst-Orange Inter-District Cricket*

##### **First Grade**

St Pat's Old Boys v. Orange City  
Graeme Glazebrook & Steve Warrington

#### *Bathurst*

##### **Second Grade**

O.R.C. Cricket Club v. SPOBs White  
Greg Jones & Gary McAulley

##### **Third Grade**

Rugby Union Cricket Club v.  
O.R.C. Cricket Club  
Malcolm Campbell & Terry Strong

##### **President's Cup**

SPOBs White v. SPOBs Gold  
Gary Cole & Jim Wood

#### *Blue Mountains*

##### **First Grade**

Leura v. Falconbridge Oaks  
Craig Kelly

#### *Camden*

##### **First Grade**

Ingleburn v. Bradbury  
Mark Kraljevic & Rob Pinney

##### **Second Grade**

Campbelltown RSL v. Bradbury  
Peter Murray & Barry Thebridge

##### **Third Grade**

Cobbitty Narellan v. Bradbury  
Alan Bell & John Rees

##### **Fourth Grade**

Liverpool Catholic CC v. Tahmoor  
Brian Muir & Peter Woodyatt

##### **Fifth Grade**

Bradbury v Cobbitty Narellan  
Tim Hand & Erica Looyen

##### **Sixth Grade**

Collegians v. Westerners  
John Hows & Geoff Schliebs

##### **Seventh Grade**

Westerners v. Camden  
Steve Boyd & Shahzad Malik

##### **Eighth Grade**

Liverpool Catholic CC v. Ingleburn  
Kevin Browning & Venkat Chada

##### **Ninth Grade**

Magpies v. Cobbitty Narellan  
Chris Harvey & Shannon McEwan

##### **One-Day Comp**

Oran Park v. The Oaks Burragorang  
Michael Bartlett & David Stewart

#### *Central Coast*

##### **First Grade**

The Entrance v. Terrigal  
John Davidson & David Grainger

##### **Second Grade**

The Entrance v. Lisarow  
Tom Maurer & Mark Ronson

##### **Third Grade**

The Entrance v. Kincumber  
Paul McIvor & Hamish Millen

##### **Fourth Grade**

Terrigal v. The Entrance  
Alex Brown & Elisabeth Houston

##### **Fifth Grade**

Lisarow Black v. Brisbane Water  
Robert Bowen & Geoff Pebbles

##### **Sixth Grade**

Wyong Gold v. Warnervale  
Mal Emerson & Lyle Fry

##### **Seventh Grade**

The Entrance Blue v. Kincumber  
Bill Ashe & Tony Booth

##### **Eighth Grade**

Kincumber v. Warnervale Blue  
Seamus Heaphey-Millen &  
Warren Jackson



**Women's A Grade**

Wyong v. Lisarow White  
Bill Colbran

**Women's B Grade**

Wyong v. The Entrance  
Darryl Webb

*Central Western Cricket Council***Rod Hartas Trophy**

Bathurst v. Blue Mountains  
Gary Cole & Jim Wood

**Under 14**

Bathurst v. Orange  
Gary Cole & Jim Wood

**Under 12**

Orange v. Dubbo  
Liam Dillon & Chris King

*Church Cricket-Inner West Harbour***A Grade**

Castle Hill Wesley v.  
St. Matthew's Baulkham Hills  
David Finlay & Ron White

**B Grade**

Cool Runnings v. India Avenue Royals  
Tony Bergman & Alan Jansson

**C Grade**

Ashfield CC Gold v. Concord Briars Gold  
Richard Christen & Graham Parsons

*Clarence River***First Grade**

Brothers v. Tucabia Copmanhurst  
Bruce Baxter & Tony Blanch

*Coffs Harbour***First Grade**

Diggers v. Sawtell  
Ted Bailey & Garry Campbell

*Dubbo***Megahit T20 Cup**

RSL Colts v. Dubbo Rugby  
Colin Harper & Phillip Leonard

**First Grade (Whitney Cup)**

RSL Colts v. Dubbo CYMS Cougars  
John De Lyall & Marc Munro

**Second Grade (Pinnington Cup)**

South Dubbo United v. Newtown (Dubbo)  
Nathan Astri & Dwayne Kent

**Third Grade (Kelly Cup)**

Newtown Tigers v. Macquarie Cricket Club  
Andrew McKittrick & Glenn Pepper

*Gilgandra***First Grade**

Doug Low

*Griffith***First Grade**

Leagues Club Panthers v. Hanwood  
Peter Davis & Brenton Harrison

**Second Grade**

Coro Club Cougars v. Coly Nomads  
Richie Alvaro & Joe Catanzariti

**Third Grade**

Leagues Club Panthers v.  
Coro Club Cougars  
Garry Tucker & Liam Warren

*Gulgong***First Grade**

Goolma v. Coolah  
Gary O'Reilly & Alan Seis

*Gunnedah***First Grade**

Albion Cricket Club v.  
Court House Cricket Club  
Beryl McCormack & Mick Silver

**Second Grade**

Kookaburra Cricket Club v.  
Albion Cricket Club  
Geoff Hoy & Wayne Solomons

*Highlands***First Grade**

Robertson-Burrawang Bulls v. Bowral  
Angus Humphreys & Richard McHarg

**Second Grade**

Wingello Tigers v. Bowral Blues  
Bill Croese & Dennis Purcell





### **Third Grade**

Mittagong v. Robertson-Burrawang Bulls  
Mark Coles & Byron Kaufling

### **Stage 3**

Bundanoon v. Bowral Kookaburras  
Graham Dodd

### **Stage 2A**

Oxley Glory v. Chevalier College  
Norm Stanton

### **Stage 2B**

Bowral Thunder v. Bowral Blues  
Iain Greaves



Geoff Hoy & Wayne Solomons at the  
Gunnedah Second Grade Final

### *Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills District*

#### **A Grade**

Berowra v. Glenorie District  
Jason Fletcher & Geoff Hasler

#### **A Reserve Grade**

Berowra v. Normanhurst-Warrawee  
Stephen Hill & Ian Lewis

### **B Grade**

Kenthurst Upper Hills Cricket Club v.  
Berowra  
Simon Moore & Steve Redman

### **B Reserve Grade**

WPHC v. Castle Hill  
Peter Lee & Damian Lewis

### **C Grade**

Sydney Lions Sports Club v. Berowra  
Raja Mohan & Bruce Wood

### **C Reserve Grade**

WPHC Blue v. Thornleigh Cricket Club  
Leonard Gregory & Sue Gregory

### **C3 Grade**

Castle Hill v. Mount Colah Cricket Club  
Brendon Lowndes & Indranil Mukherjee

### **C4 Grade**

WPHC v. Berowra  
Adam Hawken & Rejith Raj

### **D Grade**

WPHC Blue v. Hornsby District Cricket Club  
Alf James & Peter Schouten

### **D Reserve Grade**

WPHC v. St. Ives  
David Bostridge & Chaminda Egalla

### *Illawarra*

#### **First Grade**

Wollongong v. University  
Dave Cullen & Neil Findlay

#### **Second Grade**

Keira v. Northern Districts  
Jeff Charlesworth & Frank Ciocci

#### **Third Grade**

Wollongong White v. University Green  
Barry Ferguson & Peter Murphy

#### **Fourth Grade**

Keira Red v. Corrimal Red  
Scott Greenwood & John Oliver

#### **Women's T20 League**

Wollongong Gems v. Corrimal Cougarettes  
John Oliver & Andrew Still

#### **First Grade T20**

Northern Districts v. University  
Dave Cullen & Neil Findlay

### **Second Grade T20**

Northern Districts v. Port Kembla  
Jeff Charlesworth & Scott Greenwood

### **Third Grade T20**

University Grey v. Keira Black  
John Oliver & Steve Saye

### **Fourth Grade T20**

Keira Red v. Northern Districts Gold  
David Dobinson & Peter Murphy

### *Lachlan Cricket Council*

#### **Premier League**

Trevor Chatman & Mark Ryan

### *Lismore*

#### **First Grade**

Marist Brothers Lismore v.  
Goonnellabah Workers Sports  
Kenneth Bridge & Pat Holt

#### **Second Grade**

Evans Head v. Marist Brothers Lismore  
Wayne Garrad & Cecil Keep

#### **Third Grade**

Southern Districts (Lismore) v.  
Kyogle Turkeys  
Bruce Johnstone & Andrew Thomas

#### **Fourth Grade**

Goonnellabah Workers Sports v.  
Lismore Workers  
Ian McLennan & Norm Ryder

### *Lower Clarence*

#### **First Grade**

Lawrence v. Yamba  
Steve Cameron & David Whitby

### *Macquarie Valley*

#### **Brewery Shield**

Narromine v. Bourke  
Nathan Astri & Dwayne Kent

### *Murray Border*

#### **Provincial A**

North Albury v. Lavington  
Paul Johnson & Norm Maclure

### **Provincial B**

Corowa v. East Albury  
Peter Bridle & Brendon Wood

#### **District A Grade**

Yackandandah v. Kiewa  
Ken Brooks & Neil Smith

#### **District B Grade**

Yackandandah v. Baranduda  
Roger Burns & Stuart Lancaster

#### **C Grade Division 1**

Corowa v. St Patricks White  
John Boyd & Anthony Holmes

#### **C Grade Division 2**

Howlong v. Albury Blue  
Geoff Beer & Raj Kapor

#### **C Grade Division 3**

Yackandandah v. Dederang  
Rex Forest

#### **Hume A First Grade**

Henty v. Brocklesby-Borrumbuttock  
Peter Scammell

### *Murray Valley*

#### **A Grade**

Deniliquin Rhinos v. Cobram  
Col Smith & Matt Whitty

#### **B Grade**

Cobram v. Berrigan  
Allan Haddrell & Lindsay Riedel

#### **C Grade**

Cobram v. Finley  
Mike Cleary & Dean Meredith

### *Nambucca Valley*

#### **A Grade**

Nambucca Heads v. Scotts Head  
Chris Kearney & Barry Welch

### *Newcastle*

#### **First Grade**

Wests v. Belmont  
Keiran Knight & Phil Rainger

#### **Second Grade**

Stockton & Northern Districts v.  
Merewether  
Kim Norris & Paul Olsen



### **Third Grade**

Merewether v. Charlestown  
Ross McKim & Darryl Price

### **Fourth Grade**

Waratah Mayfield v. Merewether  
Scott Thomas & Stephen Wade

### **Development League**

Merewether Lions v. Newcastle City  
Bill Bannon & Alan Nichols

### **Tom Locker Cup (Limited Overs)**

West v. Hamilton-Wickham  
Keiran Knight & Ross McKim

### **Royce McCormack Cup (Limited Overs)**

Newcastle City v. Merewether  
Paul Olsen & Scott Thomas

### **NCC T20 Summer Bash**

Sabres v. Waratah  
Keiran Knight & Phil Rainger

### **Dennis Broad OAM Cup (T20)**

Newcastle City v. Merewether  
Michael Burns & Paul Olsen

### **Masters T20 League**

Toronto Workers v. Wests Phoenix  
Bill Bannon & Graeme Bruce

### **Women's T20 League**

Waratah Mayfield v. Newcastle City  
John Canning & Robert McQueen

### **U21 T20 Competition**

Newcastle City v. Merewether  
Scott Thomas & Stephen Wade

### **U15 T20 Competition**

West v. Charlestown  
Glenn Benton & Terry Collins

### **Suburban Districts Division 1**

Merewether v. Mary Ellen Mudrats  
Graeme Bruce & Tanmoy Sana

### **Suburban Districts Division 2**

Adamstown Rosebuds v. Nelson Bay  
Glen Benton & Martin Burgman

### **Suburban Districts Division 3**

Maryland Tavern v. Nelson Bay  
Michael Burns & Keith Davies

### **Suburban Districts Division 4**

The Dukes v. Hillsborough  
John Canning & Terry Collins

### **Suburban Districts Division 5**

Edgeworth Tavern v.  
Lake Macquarie Lords  
Gary Mott & Neil Smith

### **Suburban Districts Division 6**

Adamstown Picnic Ducks v. Warners Bay  
Ujjal Sarder & Geoff Scully

### **Suburban Districts Division 7**

Beresfield Memorial v. Waratah Mayfield  
Brian Dryden & Sophia Richards

### **Suburban Districts Division 8**

Redhead v. Teralba Billy Goats  
Andrew Hollingsworth & John Porcheron

### *Newcastle City & Suburban*

#### **A Grade**

The Journeyman v. Waterboard CC  
Kevin Jarvis & Steve Rafter

### *Northern Coast Cricket Council*

#### **Premier Grade**

Sawtell v. Northern Districts  
John Pearce & Rob Pye

### *Orange*

#### **Second Grade**

Orange City v. Centrals Red  
Liam Dillon

#### **Third Grade**

Gladstone v. Spring Hill  
Chris King

#### **Centenary Cup**

Cavaliers v. Orange City  
Mathew Tabbernor

### *Parramatta*

#### **A Grade**

Wenty Leagues White v. Baulkham Hills  
R. Dryburgh & G. Serrao

#### **A Reserve Grade**

AKA Crusaders v. Support 11 Sports  
K. Bakon & J. Kennedy

#### **B1 Grade**

Seven Hills v. Winston Hills  
D. Everton & J. Jayapragash





**B2 Grade**

Wenty Leagues Grey v. Hills Barbarians  
S. Thuraishwamy & D. Trivedi

**B3 Grade**

Baulkham Hills v. Wenty Leagues  
R. Clarke & D. Henry

**B4 Grade**

Cheetahs v. Winston Hills  
M. Sandhu & D. Vella

**B5 Grade**

Hills Barbarians v. Guildford Leagues  
B. Challappa & A. Gupta

**B6 Grade**

Seven Hills RSL v. Kings Langley  
M. Cotter & J. Gnanasegara-Sarma

**B7 Grade**

AKA Crusaders v. Guildford Leagues  
S. Gangula & A. Lahiri

**B8 Grade**

Indian CC v. Kellyville Supersonics  
V. Bansi & C. Lenard

**B9 Grade**

Seven Hills v. Kings Langley  
N. Narendiran & P. Narendiran

**B10 Grade**

Cheetahs v. Baulkham Hills  
C. Pandiaraj & L. Visvanathan

**B11 Grade**

Wenty Leagues v. Kellyville Supersonics  
S. Gopalsami & S. Sethuraj

**B12 Grade**

Baulkham Hills v. Rouse Hill Rams  
M. Alagaraja & S. Konduru

**B13 Grade**

Harris Park v. Western Legends  
S. Amirtharaj & M. Balakrishnan

**B14 Grade**

V One v. Winston Hills  
D. Kahlon & A. Subramaniam

**B15 Grade**

Harris Park v. Seven Hills RSL  
H. Balasubramaniam & S. Surana

**U17/1**

Winston Hills v. Hills Barbarians  
J. Gupta & P. Wilson-Mosey

**U15/1**

Winston Hills v. Guildford Leagues  
M. Balakrishnan & P. Damle

**U14/1**

Baulkham Hills Gold v. Wenty Leagues  
M. Alagaraja & G. Ramanathan

**U13/1**

Wenty Leagues v. Winston Hills  
R. Rangappa

**U12/1**

Rouse Hill Rams v. Wenty Leagues Grey  
M. Vella

**TGL**

Pendle Hill Fillies v. Winston Hills Black  
A. Vella

*Shoalhaven***First Grade**

North Nowra-Cambewarra v.  
Shoalhaven Ex-Servicemens  
Peter Done & Steve Woolley

**Second Grade**

Bomaderry v. Sussex Inlet  
Bill Crozier & Cathy Russell

**Third Grade**

Batemans Bay v.  
Shoalhaven Ex-Servicemens  
Darrell Craft & Barry Marshall

**Fourth Grade**

North Nowra-Cambewarra v.  
Shoalhaven Ex-Servicemens  
Terry Richmond & Ted Street

*South Coast***First Grade**

Lake Illawarra v. The Rail  
Ian Davidson & Steve Ward

**Second Grade**

Lake Illawarra v. The Rail  
David Schofield & Steve O'Meara

**Third Grade**

Kiama v. Lake Illawarra  
Evan Lane

**Fourth Grade**

Kookas v. The Rail  
Greg Miles



**First Grade One-Day**

The Rail v. Lake Illawarra  
Jeff Charlesworth & Steve Ward

**First Grade T20**

Lake Illawarra v. Shellharbour  
Ian Davidson & Steve Ward

**Second Grade T20**

Kiama v. Gerringong  
Evan Lane & Frankie Ulcigrai

*South West Slopes***Division 1**

Come Alive Crusaders (Cootamundra) v.  
Young Services Club Blues  
Dennis Elphick & Jeff White

**Division 2**

Temora Ex-Services Renegades v.  
Family Hotel Bulldogs Cootamundra  
Pat Kerin & Tom O'Brien

*Sydney Shires***First Grade**

Epping v. Burwood  
Stephen Blomfield & Simon Dodwell

**Second Grade**

Linfield v. Lane Cove  
Cameron Duff & Tim Overland

**Third Grade**

Lane Cove v. Warringah  
Ian Pryde & Geoff Wheeler

**Fourth Grade**

Burwood v. Warringah  
Scott Pryde & Ian Tabrett

**Fifth Grade**

Strathfield v. Pennant Hills  
Cameron McGinn & Peter Mooney

**Chappelow Cup**

Auburn Green v.  
Mount Pritchard Southern Districts  
Ian Carew & Kim Hunter

**Frank Gray Shield**

Warringah v. Epping  
Stephen Blomfield & Simon Dodwell

*Sydney Women's***First Grade**

Sydney v. Northern District  
Tim Donahoo & Peter Tate

**Second Grade**

Manly-Warringah v. Sydney  
John Colwell & Elizabeth O'Dwyer

**Third Grade (One Day)**

Gordon v. Manly-Warringah  
Scott Fraser & Kevin McFarlane

**Third Grade (T20)**

Campbelltown-Camden v. Gordon  
Victor Gauci & Kevin McFarlane

**Brewer Shield (U18)**

Sydney v. Parramatta  
Katie Collins & David Stewart

*Tamworth***First Grade**

North Tamworth v. Old Boys  
Leon Erich & Mark Mitchell

**Second Grade**

North Tamworth v. City United  
Allen Herbert & Paul Purdy

**Third Grade**

South Tamworth v. Bective-East  
Ian Furner & Lauren McGill

**Fourth Grade**

Bective-East v. North Tamworth  
Mike McKenzie & Arthur Yates

**First Grade One-Day**

Steve Beaton & Ian Furner

**Second Grade One-Day**

Lauren McGill & Mark Mitchell

**Third Grade One-Day**

Aaron Follington & Simon Hood

**Fourth Grade One-Day**

Mike McKenzie & Warren O'Rourke

**First Grade T20**

Ian James & Mark Mitchell

**Second Grade T20**

Lauren McGill & Paul Purdy

**Third Grade T20**

Aaron Follington & Lauren McGill

**Fourth Grade T20**

Mike McKenzie & Arthur Yates



### *Upper Hunter*

#### **A Grade**

Belltrees v. Bulls

Steve Eccles & Ross Maben

### *Wagga Wagga*

#### **First Grade**

South Wagga v. Koorungal Colts

Murray Le Lievre & Anthony McGettigan

#### **Second Grade**

St Michael's v. Wagga City

Lee Barclay & Steven Carracher

#### **Third Grade**

Wagga City v. St Michael's Warriors

Brian Robinson & Bob Ward

#### **Fourth Grade**

Lake Albert Maroon v. Koorungal Colts

Paul McKelvie & Brian Walker

### *Western Zone*

#### **Western Zone Premier League**

Bathurst v. Dubbo

Greg Jones & Colin Pepper

#### **Western Plate**

Narromine v. Bathurst

Nathan Astri & Dwayne Kent

#### **Western Zone Colts**

Bathurst v. Chairman's XII

Greg Jones & Doug Sandry



Sydney Shires' Stephen Blomfield and Simon Dodwell after the Frank Gray Shield Final

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## *Female Engagement*

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### **Claire Polosak**

The season 2020-21 saw the largest number of female umpires appointed to matches in New South Wales to date - with 330 appointments filled by females across the state. Nearly half of these appointments have occurred in NSWCUA affiliated associations.

Thank you to the associations who are able to and do provide opportunities for new umpires - both male and female.

This increase shows the fantastic work that is occurring in the Affiliated Associations around the state, we are aware of females regularly umpiring as members of:

- Murray Border CUA
- Fairfield-Liverpool CUA
- Newcastle District CUA
- Northern Inland CUA
- Parramatta District CUA
- Shoalhaven District CUA
- Sutherland Shire District CUA
- Sydney Women's CUA
- Tamworth & District CUA

During March, Gerard Abood presented to a group of female umpires around dealing with mistakes and his experiences while umpiring, it was a very candid discussion and held in a hybrid manner, so the session was accessible for female umpires across the state.

Congratulations to Sue Gregory and Elizabeth O'Dwyer who were appointed to

Men's Premier Cricket Second Grade matches in Rounds 13 and 14. This was most deserving after both had very strong seasons. Lauren McGill also travelled to Sydney from Tamworth for the first time to umpire in a Men's PC Third Grade match, and a Women's PC First Grade match as well. We look forward to next season welcoming more female umpires from regional areas to NSW Premier Cricket.

Many female umpires were involved in the finals series of their competitions, with 16 appointed to the final round of the competitions, while it should not be a goal to officiate at the pointy end of the season, it is always rewarding to do so after having had a strong season, and to finish the season off strongly as well.

Congratulations to Erica Looyen for winning the Camden District CUA Panel 2 Umpire of the Year at the Association's Annual Dinner on April 10, after having a fantastic season.

Plans are in place for a female umpire training weekend during the winter months. For the meantime, well done on a busy and sometimes hectic season, I trust you are all enjoying a well earned break during the offseason, I look forward to catching up with many at either a winter training course or the Annual Convention in August.



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## Technical

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### Ben Treloar

Just recently we've seen a batter given out stumped when the wicket-keeper didn't actually have the ball in hand. A tough one for the striker's end umpire as there is so much going on. Hindsight is a wonderful thing and after watching the replay it's easy to see the issue, but it's also easy to understand how it was missed.



<https://bit.ly/3uEi2Lg>

The appeal for caught behind and then the sleight of hand from the wicket-keeper that any halfback playing in the NRL would be proud of. The wicket-keeper doesn't actually appeal to the striker's end umpire, but as we know, an appeal covers all modes of dismissal. Was there a chance for an umpire's peripheral vision or match-awareness to 'kick in' and take notice of the whereabouts of the match ball? Is this a situation covered by law where the umpires can consult on a point of fact?

I'm not convinced the bowler's end umpire would have noticed this either as their focus was answering an appeal of their own, there is also the chance the striker obstructed their view of the wicket being broken. Should the wicket-keeper have

advised his captain and withdrawn the appeal? We will all have a different answers and opinions to these questions.

Some years back now, I remember a convention held at Riverside Oaks where a session was facilitated by Alan Mantle. A few of us, maybe four or five, got up, stood in a circle facing each other. Alan gave us one red tennis ball – the 'match ball', to focus on and throw around the group. Catch and throw, catch and throw...easy enough.

Gradually, he added another ball, this time a yellow tennis ball to the mix, and another and another and so on. Soon, we had tennis balls flying everywhere, catches being dropped with the four of us running all over the shop and sweating with the room erupting in laughter at our feeble fielding attempts. After what felt like an eternity, though probably only 30 seconds of HIT, we were stopped and asked how we thought it went. "We started off well and found it harder when the extra balls were added". A normal response he said. But he posed the question, "would you have found it easier if you only focused on the match ball?". "Yes" we replied in unison.

A simple but powerful reminder of distraction control, concentration and where our focus needs to be at any one time. Easier said than done but important

to strive for that awareness. For stumpings, the focus would normally be on the back foot of the striker whilst making sure the wicket-keeper hasn't encroached – he wasn't grounded behind the popping crease when the wicket was put down, but was the wicket put down properly? Not on this occasion because the hand without the ball removed the bails.

This brings us to another application of Law. When is the wicket considered to be down?

Answer is, when a bail has been completely removed or when a stump is struck or pulled out of the ground. In this example - <https://youtu.be/OyQXuDUYFlo> - the bail has been disturbed and not completely removed – the wicket remains intact and a very fortunate batter continues their innings.

Let's have a look at how the wicket can be put down using three different scenarios:

- bails on top of the stumps
- bails that have been removed whilst the ball is in play
- bails that have been removed due to high winds



When the bails are on top of the stumps, we have a normal game of cricket. The wicket can be put down by either:

- the ball (<https://youtu.be/ST4G2LGoDV0>)
- by a fielder with their hand or arm up to their shoulder, providing the ball is held in the hand or hands so used ([https://youtu.be/z25ZA\\_vSX4M](https://youtu.be/z25ZA_vSX4M))

If only one bail has been knocked off during play, to put the wicket down a fielder can remove the remaining bail in any of the ways stated above.

If, however, during play, both bails have been dislodged, to put the wicket down a fielder can either:

- knock a stump completely out of the ground by hitting it with the ball either in a hand or by a throw

(<https://youtu.be/Yq65KeE-Goc>)

- place the ball in hand on a stump and pulling it out of the ground (<https://youtu.be/X-FTs7uE2Vg>)

- place one or both bails back on top of the stumps and remove



There could be a situation while the ball is still in play after all three stumps at one end have been struck and are lying on the ground. For a fielder to put this wicket down they have the option of re-making the whole wicket or part of it and removing a bail or, they could place a stump back in the ground and completely remove it again by striking or pulling it out of the ground. The umpires don't offer a free service and are not to remake the wicket while the ball is in play, leave this for the fielders to do.

The third scenario is that there are also times during a match when the wind plays havoc with the bails, continually blowing them off the stumps no matter how many times we try to put the bails back in place. If we continue to do this, we would be losing playing time. Law 29 allows for the

bails to be removed from both wickets during play. Important to remember that the bails must be removed from both wickets. By removing the bails, it dramatically changes how a wicket can be put down.

When playing without bails, the umpire concerned need only be satisfied that the ball has touched a stump (<https://youtu.be/KfWBUOCx-j4>). If during play, the wicket is struck by a fielder's throw and the stump is now askew and the ball remains in play, the ball only needs to touch either of the stumps still in the ground to constitute the wicket being put down. The stumps do not need to be realigned.

It can be difficult to see whether the wicket has been put down when playing without bails so, the advice is to get those bails back on at both ends ASAP when conditions allow.

When we talk about putting the wicket down, we also need to consider the striker and combine them with the hit wicket law. If the striker puts the wicket down within

the time frame for hit wicket, they can be dismissed. The ways in which the striker can put the wicket down are, when read in conjunction with Law 35, is when a bail has been dislodged by the:

- striker's bat ([https://youtu.be/2ZOj8E\\_FMIk](https://youtu.be/2ZOj8E_FMIk))
- striker's bat if it has broken
- striker's clothing or equipment becoming detached from their person (<https://youtu.be/u7QwPSKcfzU>)

If the game is happening without bails due to wind, then the striker's person, clothing or equipment need to also only touch the wicket in the time frame for hit wicket to be valid.

The striker's end umpire has the jurisdiction of hit wicket, and so it is very important to remain aware of the striker and the stumps until the time for hit wicket has elapsed and we can continue with our other routines for during play. It is a horrible feeling to be at the striker's end and not know how or when the bails made it to the ground.



Umpires ensuring the stumps are set up and aligned at Mark Taylor Oval // Ian Bird

**CRIC-O-KU Number 13***Clue: A key to successful umpiring*

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Every row, column, and 3x3 box must contain each of the nine symbols, just like a normal Sudoku.

With *Cric-o-ku*, the symbols are letters and numbers, not just numbers, and when you've worked them all out, one of the rows or columns will be a cricket term.

The answer will be in the next issue of *Black and White*.

Enjoy!

**CRIC-O-KU No 12: Solution**

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### **Troy Penman**

The Association is in a fortunate position where we have strong partnerships and relationships with a number of recognisable brands and companies.

Season 2020-21 saw NSWCUSA continue its sponsorship agreement with global fast food chain McDonald's. The sponsorship deal with McDonald's was in conjunction with a larger deal between Cricket NSW and McDonald's. McDonald's continued on the back of the Association's field shirts. For this exposure the Association received \$7,500 + GST. With the revenue from the sponsorship deal with McDonald's being invested in items for members, education and development, offsetting the cost for members and guests to attend Association events and an upgrade to Association products.

Since 2016, Beastwear has manufactured our merchandise – we were pleased for this association to continue in season 2020-21. The Association looks forward to continuing this partnership into the future and ensuring members are provided with quality on and off field wear.

In recent years, the Association has hosted a number of events at Bankstown Sports Club. These include Annual Dinners, Annual Conventions and in recent seasons both OGMs and training courses. On a number of occasions, by way of a grant, the club have covered the cost of the venue hire, freeing

up Association funds to be available to be used for the benefit of members. We thank the Club and their Board for their continued support.

Another of the Association's partners – the Bradman Foundation – continued its support of the Association and its members in season 2020-21. All members received a 10% discount on entry into the Bradman International Cricket Hall of Fame at Bowral and a 10% discount on all products in their Merchandise Store.

Additionally, they are offering an umpire mug at the special price of \$16 including postage. To reserve one please at the special price, please contact [store@bradman.com.au](mailto:store@bradman.com.au) with your postal address and you will be sent a link for payment.

As we move forward to season 2021-22, we have commenced discussions with all partners to renew and build on our agreements for the benefit of members. Initial discussions with McDonald's are positive and we are hoping to finalise a new two-year deal in the coming weeks. A two-year deal would see \$33,000 come into the Association, funds would then be used to improve the experience for all members.

We thank each partner for their assistance and support throughout season 2020-21, it is greatly appreciated by Management and Board.



## 60 SECONDS WITH...

*Jeff Egan*



*Janelle Carew*

*Nathan Harvey*



## 60 SECONDS WITH JEFF EGAN

<b>Day Job?</b>	Farmer and handyman
<b>Officiating Debut? The first time you fired someone?</b>	In the Wagga cricket season 2005-06 a Fourth Grade match, an inside edge, I didn't see it - finger went up - he wasn't very happy but see you later pal.
<b>Career officiating highlight (so far)?</b>	2 First Grade matches in NSW Men's Premier Cricket Country Colts Carnival in Albury Regional T20 Bash in Wagga U19 Female Series Albury First Grade Grand Finals in the South West Slopes Cricket League competition
<b>Best cricketer you have officiated?</b>	In the local Wagga competition, it has to be Jono Nicholl, he just makes it look so easy in the middle.
<b>Strangest/funniest thing to happen whilst on a cricket field?</b>	Standing with Daniel Moran in a Second Grade match at Coogee, the fielding captain was asking his player at long off to move in five metres to his left to which he was refusing due to a snake he could see on the field. We stopped the game to investigate but was nothing more than a slug both sides just lost it laughing
<b>Who is your favourite official to have or still is officiating in a sport (any sport)? Why?</b>	Umpires like Darren Goodger, Bob McGregor, Dennis Chaplin, Tony Hackett, Pat Kerin, Murray Le Lievre, Graham Moon, Anthony McGettigan are fantastic umpires just to name a few and all of the observers that have come to watch me in the middle, they given me a lot of useful advice about umpiring. I have learnt so much about different umpiring techniques from them, which has been extremely helpful.
<b>Any superstitions?</b>	None
<b>Any special talents?</b>	No real special talents
<b>Best piece of advice?</b>	The 6 Ps - prior preparation prevents piss poor performance. And call them as you see them, the umpire who doesn't make mistakes hasn't been born yet.
<b>What got you into umpiring?</b>	Saw an ad in the local Wagga paper - went there with a mate from school, Jack Mission was the Instructor and I'm still loving it today.
<b>Three people you would love to have dinner with?</b>	Kerry O'Keeffe Simon Taufel Ricky Ponting

## 60 SECONDS WITH JANELLE CAREW

<b>Day job?</b>	Personal Assistant to Director and Employed Solicitor (2 people) in the Personal Injury Team at Colin Daley Quinn Solicitors Kogarah
<b>Officiating Debut? The first time you recorded a smudge?</b>	Have scored Pathway games now for a few years, but 2020 with the pandemic gave me the opportunity to score in the WBBL. Can't recall ever scoring a smudge yet, but I keep my eye out for one constantly!
<b>Career (to date) officiating highlight(s)</b>	WBBL and a double century by Matthew Gilkes for UNSW First Grade.
<b>Best cricketer you have officiated?</b>	Loved watching and scoring Meg Lanning in the WBBL, great technician with the bat.
<b>Strangest (funniest) thing to happen whilst on a cricket field?</b>	I wasn't scoring at the time, and it goes back to when I was Association Secretary for what was then Georges River St George District Cricket Association. I was asked by Council to delay games on a large park one Saturday morning so that a family could land a helicopter at the ground to pick up their Great Grandparent and whisk them off somewhere for lunch to celebrate a milestone birthday, just can't recall if it was 90 or 100!
<b>Who is your favourite official to have or still is officiating in a sport (any sport)? Why?</b>	Can't say I have a specific favourite. There are quite a few umpires, and scorers, that when I see they will be at my game, I know things will run smoothly.
<b>Any superstitions?</b>	Not walking under ladders or putting new shoes on a table and definitely no umbrellas up inside a building.
<b>Any special talents?</b>	None that I'm aware of.
<b>Best piece of advice?</b>	Take one day at a time. Given to me in 2014 when I lost my eyesight, due to a rare antibody found in my system, that thankfully with treatment returned after about 8 weeks.
<b>What got you into scoring?</b>	Me! It was so I would stay awake at my son, Dayle's, junior cricket games!
<b>Three people you would love to have dinner with?</b>	Barak Obama Oprah Winfrey Kate Middleton (Duchess of Cambridge)



## 60 SECONDS WITH NATHAN HARVEY

<b>Day job?</b>	I currently work part-time as a law clerk at WMD Law. I am also in my final year at the University of Wollongong studying a double degree in Law and Economics and Finance.
<b>Officiating Debut? The first time you fired someone?</b>	My first game that I umpired was back in 2013-14 with the Sutherland Shire Cricket Umpire Association in the IDCA Presidents Cup. I have no doubt that I fired somebody in that game. My grade debut came in the 2019-20 season at Tonkin Oval in Fifth Grade between Sutherland and Gordon where I stood with Tony Vasey. I definitely fired a Sutherland batsman out LBW in the second innings. With strong winds about, it sounded all pad and looked plumb for me. Unfortunately, the batsman was not too impressed – I think I may have missed an inside edge!
<b>Career (to date) officiating highlight(s)</b>	The 2020-21 season as a whole was a huge highlight. I had the honour and privilege of winning the Panel 4 Award. I made my debut in the AW Green Shield with Mark Hughes. That was a special game for me given that I played in that competition about seven years ago. I also made my Third Grade debut in Men's Premier Cricket with Adam Cleary this year. This was a highlight for me because moving up the umpiring ladder was both exciting and a privilege. Lastly, umpiring a Youth Championship Semi-Final with Arthur Watson. That's a cherished moment for me given Arthur's standing in the game and the opportunity to learn off him was great.
<b>Best cricketer you have officiated?</b>	To date, I have not had the privilege to umpire anybody that has played at the highest level. However, some of the more senior players bowling in the lower grades that have spent significant time in the higher grades have been good to watch. For example Stephen Wark (St George, Fourth Grade Captain) and Nathan Whittingham (Sutherland, Fifth Grade Captain). I have also umpired some very fine young cricketers over the last few seasons that I have no doubt we will hear more about in the years to come.
<b>Strangest (funniest) thing to happen whilst on a cricket field?</b>	Not so much the funniest, but probably one of the strangest and scariest things to have occurred on the cricket field. It happened in the 2017-18 season in an U11 District Cricket game (now called the Youth Championship) between Sutherland and St George at Evatt Park. After I called 'Play' to commence the 1st innings of the match I noticed the non-striker from Sutherland with his helmet off, looking very pale and unwell. As I started signalling dead ball, he started vomiting. I glanced over to my other

	umpire to seek his thoughts. Unfortunately, he was lying on the ground. Several spectators and I rushed over to see if he was okay. A spectator from the sideline, called an ambulance immediately. Luckily one of the parents on the sideline was a paramedic and stayed with him until the ambulance arrived. We think he may have fainted and he left the ground in a stable condition. Thankfully, play was able to resume about an hour later with me umpiring at the bowler's end for the entire match. The game ended up being decided by one run.
<b>Who is your favourite official to have or still is officiating in a sport (any sport)? Why?</b>	AFL field umpire Matthew Stevic. This is because he exhibits a lot of the characteristics of a very good match official. Firstly, he is a very well respected by all players in the game. This is because I think he often goes unnoticed in games and that to me is a sign of an official doing a really good job. Secondly, he looks calm and composed when making crucial decisions in big games and more often than not gets them correct as well. Lastly, he maintains control throughout the games because he is a clear communicator and his match management skills are excellent.
<b>Any superstitions?</b>	I had none until the start of this season. On my way to each game I would stop at my local corner store to buy two cheese and bacon rolls to eat at lunch. I am not really sure why this started. However, I will not be changing this routine anytime soon!
<b>Any special talents?</b>	None that I will admit to – otherwise I will have to prove it and we all know how that would go!
<b>Best piece of advice?</b>	The best piece of advice I have ever received is: “it’s the preparation that makes the difference”. This not only applies with my cricket umpiring but with work and my personal life as well. If you prepare for something, it makes you more confident and more often than not, you perform better on the day.
<b>What got you into umpiring?</b>	I started umpiring at my local association for a bit of cash on the side when I wasn't playing on the weekend. After I played a season of Green Shield and my one and only grade game for Sutherland in 5th Grade, I started losing the love of actually playing the game. I went back and played a few more years of park cricket which I really enjoyed. At this stage I was umpiring more regularly with my local association. At the end of 2018/19 season, I did a local junior final with fellow member Laurie Taylor. He asked at the end of the game whether I had ever considered umpiring Grade cricket. I debated with myself over the off-season about it – I still loved playing the game,

	but I really did enjoy my umpiring as well. In the end, I decided to join the NSWCUA at the start of the following season to umpire grade cricket. A decision that I can happily say after two seasons that I do not regret!
<b>Three people you would love to have dinner with?</b>	<p>Lleyton Hewitt: he was always the underdog whilst playing and I loved his never say die attitude.</p> <p>Gabriel Macht: loved the way that he played the character of “Harvey” from the TV Series <i>Suits</i>.</p> <p>Marnus Labuschagne: he is a massive cricket nuffy, similar to me!</p>



Members and guests in attendance at the Annual Dinner // Steven Smith





# NEW MEMBERS

Name	Suburb	Name	Suburb
<b>Bharath Narayanan</b>	Greystanes	<b>Nathan Brown</b>	Panania
<b>Garry Mott</b>	Arcadia Vale	<b>Neil Brener</b>	Roseville
<b>Grahame Danaher</b>	Lithgow	<b>Nithin Salgunan</b>	Westmead
<b>Jennifer Campbell</b>	Meadowbank	<b>Rory Fagan</b>	Bronte
<b>Justin Gross</b>	Thornleigh	<b>Rory Mackie</b>	Penshurst
<b>Kazim Parkar</b>	Beaumont Hills	<b>Sheikh Hossain</b>	Blacktown
<b>Krishna Srinivasan</b>	Schofields	<b>Sheshank Nara</b>	Granville
<b>Lucky Singh</b>	Quakers Hill	<b>SM Arifuzzaman</b>	Blacktown
<b>Mahbubur Rahman</b>	Lakemba	<b>Sundarrajan Sundarakatti</b>	Kogarah
<b>Michael Withers</b>	North Manly	<b>Supreeth Shambhu</b>	Westmead
<b>Mitch Clark</b>	Miranda	<b>Sushil Tripathi</b>	The Ponds
<b>Muhammad Salahuddin</b>	Lakemba	<b>Syed Qadri</b>	Greenacre



Arthur Watson presents the Alan Marshall Medal to Christian Rayner // Steven Smith



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## *Elite Panel of ICC Umpires*

Bruce Oxenford (Aus.)

**Rodney Tucker** (Aus.)

Paul Reiffel (Aus.)

## *International Panel of ICC Umpires*

**Gerard Abood** (Aus.)

Shawn Craig (Aus.)

Sam Nogajski (Aus.)

**Paul Wilson** (Aus.)

## *Development Panel of ICC Umpires*

**Heath Kearns** (Jersey)

**Claire Polosak** (Aus.)

Eloise Sheridan (Aus.)

## *CA National Umpire Panel*

**Gerard Abood**

Darren Close (Tas.)

Shawn Craig (Vic.)

**Greg Davidson**

Phil Gillespie (Vic.)

Mike Graham-Smith (Tas.)

Donovan Koch (Qld.)

Sam Nogajski (Tas.)

**Tony Wilds**

**Paul Wilson**

## *CA Supplementary Umpire Panel*

Darren Close (Tas.)

Nathan Johnstone (WA)

**Simon Lightbody**

**Troy Penman**

**Claire Polosak**

**Ben Treloar**

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Sathish Kumar

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Adrian Tham (Chair)

Kay Wilcoxon

Ian Wright

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Kedar Oza

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Neil Findlay presents the Kevin Pye Medal to Graeme Glazebrook // Steven Smith



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