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## EDITORIAL

This special edition of the "Bentley Cricketer" contains a brief summary of the 1971/72 season, a comprehensive coverage of the Club's records since 1953/53 and a critical look at our prospects for the coming season.

As usual, I don't mind if I tread on a few toes in this or any future editions, and I would more than appreciate printing any views or criticisms that any member of this Club may have to offer.

I found the old score books made very interesting reading and I hope that you find the records I have extracted from them just as interesting. I must emphasise that these records only go back to 1953, thus the figures applied to Roy Ritchie and others who played before that year are incomplete.

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## 1971/72 FIRST GRADE

This was a disasterous year for this side which finished a dismal last. The weakness was easy to find! BATTING! In this competition a score of at least 150 is required to have a chance of winning. This averages out at about 15 runs per man. However, when one considers that only 3 players averaged over 15 for the season it is easy to see where we fell down. Consider also that two of these three players only played in a total of 7 matches between them! The one batsman to perform with any semblance of consistently good form was Adrian Ball with an average of 21.7. At the beginning of the season, it appeared that the bowling would be the big problem but this was not the case. Although Tony Malins was well below his best form for most of the season, Stu Rankin and George Woodhead proved more than a problem to many opposing batsmen.

Some of the better individual performances during the season were:-

BATTING: S.Rankin 59 vs Swanbourne, 57 vs Mosman Park  
A.Ball 52 vs Claremont, 47\* vs Subiaco, 47\* vs Mt. Lawley  
P.Farrall 48 vs Teachers, 37\* vs Claremont  
P.Kenrick 44\* vs Mt.Lawley  
L.Thompson 40 vs Mosman Park  
K.Little 34 vs Swanbourne  
P.Wilson 33\* vs Nedlands

BOWLING: A.Malins 5-47 vs Mt Lawley, 4-30 vs Mosman Park  
S.Rankin 4-18 vs Nedlands, 4-23 vs Mosman Park, 3-9 vs Claremont, 3-25 vs Mt. Lawley, 3-31 vs Teachers  
K.Little 4-34 vs Swanbourne, 3-10 vs Mosman Park  
G.Dart 3-16 vs Subiaco  
G.Farrall 3-23 vs Mt. Lawley  
G.Woodhead 3-25 vs Claremont, 3-33 vs Teachers

Chief run scorers during the season were:- A.Ball (325), S.Rankin (236), P.Kenrick (199), K.Chapman (187) and L.Thompson (184).

Chief wicket takers were:- S.Rankin (27), A.Malins (27), G. Woodhead (29), K.Little (14).

## FOURTH GRADE

The Fourth Grade's performances during the season were in direct contrast to the inept efforts of the First Grade. It was possibly only lack of experience on turf that prevented this side winning the Grand Final. Many players gave outstanding performances at some stage of the season and it was this non-reliance on any individual that was the main strength of this combination. They had a wealth of bowling talent and also had batsmen down the list who were capable of rescuing a situation, as they did on many occasions.

It would be unfair to single out any particular players as being outstanding in this side, but some of the more outstanding efforts were:-

BATTING:-G.Farrall 59 vs Vic. Park, 37 vs Mt. Lawley, 31 vs Nollamarra  
 W.Harmer 51 vs Nollamarra, 40 vs S.T.C., 35 vs Vic. Park  
 R.Street 49 vs Vic. Park, 31 vs Wembley, 30 vs S.T.C.  
 P.Bradbrook 50\* vs Wembley, 50 vs Wembley  
 K.Ritchie 45 vs Mt. Lawley, 43\* vs Nollamarra  
 P.Kenrick 53 vs Nollamarra, 34 vs Mt.Lawley  
 T.Taylor 37 & 38 vs Vic. Park  
 P.Farrall 50\* vs Mt. Lawley  
 R.Ritchie 46\* vs Wembley  
 M.Guerds 43 vs Wembley  
 L.Moulton 36 vs Wembley  
 R.Dungey 32 vs Nollamarra  
 B.Haywood 31\* vs Teachers  
 R. Ehlers 30\* vs Vic. Park

BOWLING:-R.Ritchie 5-11 vs S.T.C., 5-19 vs S. Perth, 5-23 vs Vic. Park  
 3-17 vs S.T.C., 3-24 vs Wembley  
 G.Farrall 5-24 vs Vic Park, 4-25 vs Mt. Lawley, 4-29 vs Tea-  
 chers, 3-8 vs S.T.C., 3-15 vs Nollamarra, 3-17  
 vs Teachers  
 W.Harmer 5-17 vs Teachers, 5-32 vs Wembley, 3-14 vs S.T.C.,  
 3-17 vs Nollamarra, 3-23 vs S.T.C., 3-33 vs Mt. Law-  
 ley.  
 B.Haywood 6-19 vs S.Perth, 5-19 vs Teachers, 3-36 vs S.T.C.  
 R.Street 4-15 vs Nollamarra, 3-31 vs S.T.C.  
 T.Taylor 4-41 vs Vic.Park, 3-27 vs S.T.C.  
 P.Farrall 3-16 vs Nollamarra, 3-40 vs Nollamarra  
 M.Farrall 4-25 vs Teachers  
 S. Farrall 3-28 vs Nollamarra.

Chief run scorers during the season were:- P.Bradbrook (320),  
 R.Street (277), W.Harmer (247), G.Farrall (231), K.Ritchie (189).  
 Chief wicket takers:-G.Farrall (37), R.Ritchie (28), W.Harmer (26),  
 R.Street(25), B.Haywood (23), P.Farrall (17).

### RECORDS 1953/54 to 1971/72

#### BENTLEY NUMBER 1 TEAM

Season	played	Won O.	Won 1st I.	Lost O.	L. I.
53/54	13	1	3	6	3
54/55	10	1	-	8	-
55/56	11	3	-	7	1
56/57	12	4	2	4	2
57/58	11	6	2	1	2
58/59	10	8	1	-	1
59/60	11	5	-	2	4
60/61	10	2	3	2	3
61/62	11	3	4	2	2
62/63	11	4	4	2	1
63/64	11	1	5	3	2
64/65	10	-	3	3	4
65/66	10	-	-	2	8
66/67	11	-	1	2	8
67/68	12	-	7	4	1
68/69	14	3	5	1	5
69/70	10	3	1	4	2
70/71	11	-	6	3	2
71/72	14	-	2	1	11
TOTAL	213	44	49	57	63

NOTE: Grand Finals, Semi-Finals, Minor Premiership Games, Knock-out Games have all been included.

Games lost after holding a first innings lead are recorded as a loss outright ( and vice-versa ).

HIGHEST SCORES For: 349 vs Graylands 58/59, 257 vs Subiaco 68/69  
 Against: 8-305 Collegians 66/67, 308 Subiaco 71/72

LOWEST SCORES For: 15 vs Nedlands 56/57, 16 vs I.M.L. 54/55  
 Against: 14 Floreat Park 58/59, 15 R.P.H. 55/56

### CENTURY PARTNERSHIPS

176 for the 6th wicket	K.Downs-K.Esmond	vs Graylands 58/59
125 " " 3rd "	K.Chapman-K.Esmond	vs Wembley 63/64
123 " " 4th "	G.Farrall-K.Esmond	vs Graylands 58/59
121* " " 3rd "	J.Sarre-K.Esmond	vs Mt.Lawley 62/63
119 " " 2nd "	G.Dart-P.Farrall	vs Wembley 68/69
114 " " 5th "	N.Haines-K.Esmond	vs I.M.L. 62/63
106* " " 5th "	L.Dungey-N.Brown	vs S.Perth 67/68
106 " " 4th "	L.Dungey-S.Rankin	vs Swanbourne 68/69
104 " " 1st "	T.Harrison-D.Tobin	vs Nedlands 66/67
103 " " 5th "	N.Haines-K.Esmond	vs Millars 60/61
101 " " 2nd "	L.Dungey-P.Kenrick	vs S.Perth 70/71

### RECORD PARTNERSHIPS FOR EACH WICKET

1st Wicket	104	(see above for details)
2nd "	119	" "
3rd "	125	" "
4th "	123	" "
5th "	114	" "
6th "	176	" "
7th "	64	B.Sleeth-R.Down vs Millars 61/62
8th "	67	P.Wilson-J.Tower vs Nedlands 71/72
9th "	97	R.Ritchie-R.Gangell vs Pickering Brook 56/57
10th "	46	P.Farrall-T.Taylor vs Wembley 65/66

### INDIVIDUAL SCORES OF 80 OR MORE

138 K.Esmond vs Graylands 58/59	94 K.Esmond vs Wembley 63/64
132 S.Rankin vs Subiaco 68/69	94 L.Thompson vs I.M.L. 68/69
118 R.Sarre vs I.M.L. 63/64	92 K.Esmond vs Swanbourne 63/64
103 K.Esmond vs R.P.H. 58/59	89 P.Farrall vs Wembley 68/69
102* K.Esmond vs Floreat 58/59	88* S.Rankin vs Swanbourne 68/69
102* N.Browne vs S.Perth 67/68	86 E.Treasure vs R.P.H. 56/57
101 R.Downs vs Graylands 58/59	82 E.Treasure vs Pick.Brk. 56/57
94* L.Dungey vs S.Perth 70/71	81 R.Down vs Millars 61/62

### BATSMEN TO SCORE 50 OR MORE IN AN INNINGS

21 times-K.Esmond; 7-S.Rankin; 6-J.Sarre; 4-N.Haines, R.Down; 3-L.Dungey, G.Dart, P.Farrall, G.Farrall, E.Treasure; 2-T.Horsell, L.Thompson, R.Sarre, V.Sarre; 1-N.Brown, T.Harrison, E.Pumphrey, R.Coffey, K.Chapman, J.Spencer, R.Gangell, J.Leitch, A.Spencer, K.Eamus, P.Kenrick, A.Ball.

### BOWLERS TO TAKE 7 OR MORE WICKETS IN AN INNINGS

E.Treasure 7-12 vs Wembley 56/57 P.Farrall 7-34 vs Wembley 69/70  
B.Trouchet 7-18 vs Millars 61/62 R.Ritchie 7-35 vs Vic.Park 56/57  
B.Trouchet 7-20 vs S.E.C. 55/56 D.Tobin 7-37 vs Wembley 54/55  
K.Kewin 7-25 vs Teachers 67/68 A.Malins 7-38 vs Teachers 69/70  
B.Trouchet 7-29 vs Wembley 58/59 P.Farrall 7-45 vs Cl/mont 69/70  
C.Fitzpatrick 7-30 vs Mt.Lawley 53/54 G.Farrall 7-49 vs Nollam. 66/67

### BOWLERS TO TAKE 10 OR MORE WICKETS IN A MATCH

B.Trouchet 11-47 vs Wembley 58/59 R.Ritchie 10-49 vs Nedlands 56/57  
B.Trouchet 10-26 vs Millars 61/62 B.Trouchet 10-61 vs S.E.C. 55/56  
B.Trouchet 10-28 vs R.P.H. 57/58 A.Malins 10-65 vs Teachers 69/70  
N.Wright 10-38 vs I.M.L. 59/60 G.Farrall 10-81 vs Millars 60/61  
G.Farrall 10-44 vs I.M.L. 62/63

### BOWLERS WHO HAVE TAKEN 5 WICKETS IN AN INNINGS

26 times-G.Farrall; 16-B.Trouchet; 8-R.Downs; 6-A.Malins; 5-R.Ritchie, E.Treasure; 4-P.Farrall, N.Wright; 3-J.Sarre, T.Wedgewood; 2-E.Street, K.Kewin, M.Atthowe, D.Tobin; 1-W.Coles, S.Rankin, H.Wegile, V.Sarre, K.Chapman, R.Trouchet, E.Pumphrey, M.Jancy, R.Dungey, C.Fitzpatrick, G.Warner.

Well, that completes the number one team's records (perhaps I should avoid calling them number 1 or "A" team after last season). It is noticeable that in the number two team's records that follow, the batting records are much lower and the bowling records far more startling. This is to be expected in a lower grade and for this reason I have not combined the records. In the number 2 team's records one can see performances of some of our number 1 team's players when they first joined the Club.

BENTLEY NUMBER 2 TEAM

Season	Played	Won	O.	Won 1st Inns	Lost O.	Lost 1st
59/60	10	-	-	-	7	3
60/61	9	-	-	-	7	2
61/62	10	1	-	-	9	-
62/63	11	2	-	1	5	3
63/64	11	1	-	-	6	4
64/65	11	1	-	4	4	2
65/66	10	1	-	3	4	2
66/67	11	2	-	4	2	3
67/68	11	1	-	2	5	3
68/69	13	-	-	3	4	6
69/70	10	2	-	4	3	1
70/71	11*	3	-	4	2	1
71/72	14	3	-	9	1	1
TOTAL	142	17	-	34	59	31

\*One match drawn after a tie on the first innings.

HIGHEST SCORES For: 212 vs Mosman Park 68/69  
202 vs Graylands 59/60  
Against: 246 Wembley 59/60  
246 Navy 65/66

LOWEST SCORES For: 11 vs Wembley 65/66  
19 vs Wembley 59/60  
Against: 38 Mosman Park 67/68  
39 Wembley 65/66

HIGHEST PARTNERSHIPS FOR EACH WICKET

1st wicket	90	L.Moulton-P.Bradbrook	vs Wembley 71/72
2nd "	91	C.Grigg-R.Ross	vs Graylands 59/60
3rd "	76	W.Harmer-P.Farrall	vs Navy 67/68
4th "	82	R.Dungey-V.Sarre	vs R.P.H. 59/60
5th "	65	E.Treasure-B.Pumphrey	vs Wembley 62/63
6th "	70	G.Dart-G.Miller	vs S.Perth 64/65
	70	S.Rankin-L.Dungey	vs Swanbourne 66/67
7th "	66*	J.Clarke (snr)-S.Farrall	vs S.Perth 70/71
8th "	41	J.Clarke (snr)-R.Street	vs Mt.Lawley 70/71
9th "	47	R.Ritchie-G.Williams	vs Wembley 62/63
10th "	52	P.Farrall-M.Farrall	vs Mt.Lawley 71/72

It is worthy of note that the 7th and 10th wicket record partnerships are in excess of those for the number 1 team.

INDIVIDUAL SCORES OF 80 OR MORE

118\* D.Tobin vs Swanbourne 64/65  
100 S.Rankin vs Swanbourne 66/67  
88 D.Tobin vs Subiaco 64/65

BATSMEN TO SCORE 50 OR MORE IN AN INNINGS

3-S.Rankin, G.Farrall; 2-P.Farrall, P.Bradbrook, D.Tobin; 1-R.Dungey, R.Ross, V.Sarre, T.Harrison, G.Williams, L.Thompson, J.Clarke (jnr), K.Ritchie, M.Guerds, G.Clarke, F.Woods, R.Ritchie, P.Kenrick, W.Harmer.

BOWLERS TO TAKE 7 OR MORE WICKETS IN AN INNINGS

G.Farrall 8-16 vs Nollamarra 69/70 G.Farrall 7-15 vs Vic.Park 69/70  
G.Farrall 8-37 vs Subiaco 69/70 H.Wiegel 7-18 vs Mosmans 67/68  
M.Jancey 8-49 vs Nedlands 61/62 M.Jancey 7-21 vs Mosmans 61/62  
D.Doley 8-52 vs Graylands 59/60 E.Street 7-24 vs Mt.Lawley 66/67  
R.Ritchie 8-73 vs Mosman Park 63/64

BOWLERS TO TAKE 10 OR MORE WICKETS IN A MATCH

G.Farrall 14-43 vs Nollamarra 69/70 G.Farrall 11-61 vs Subiaco 69/70  
H.Wiegel 12-52 vs Mosman Park 67/68 R.Ritchie 10-92 vs Mosmans 63/64

BOWLERS WHO HAVE TAKEN 5 WICKETS OR MORE IN AN INNINGS

14-R.Ritchie; 7-G.Farrall; 4-E.Street; 3-E.Pumphrey, M.Jancey, K.Little,  
2-D.Doley, G.Williams, E.Treasure, T.Taylor, N.Van Roon, S.Rankin, W.Harmer,  
H.Wiegel, P.Farrall, M.Guerds, S.Farrall, B.Haywood; 1-A.Woolmer, J.Watson,  
B.Pearson, R.Trouchet, D.Smith, T.Harrison, K.Kewin, R.Street.

NOTE: Do not confuse D.(Dennis)Tobin who set records as a bowler in the fifties, with D.(Dave)Tobin who set records as a batsman in the sixties.

BATSMEN TO SCORE 1000, OR MORE RUNS FOR BENTLEY (any Grade)

G. Farrall(3448), K. Esmond(3197), L. Thompson(2122), R. Ritchie(2071),  
 B. Trouchet(1680), R. Dungey(1554), G. Dart(1485), T. Taylor(1451),  
 P. Farrall(1387), E. Pumphrey(1385), J. Spencer(1321), L. Dungey(1297),  
 S. Rankin(1279), T. Harrison(1257), R. Downs(1192), E. Treasure(1096),  
 K. Chapman(1025), V. Sarre(1012).

BOWLERS TO TAKE 100 WICKETS OR MORE FOR BENTLEY (any Grade)

G. Farrall(657), R. Ritchie(389), B. Trouchet(338), E. Treasure(197),  
 B. Street(148), A. Malins(142), P. Farrall(134), R. Down(122),  
 Den. Tobin(122), K. Little(117), E. Pumphrey(103).

ALL TIME BATTING AVERAGES OF CURRENT PLAYERS

Name	Games	Inns	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Ave
S. Rankin	36	61	7	132	1279	23.7
A. Ball	13	18	3	52	325	21.7
L. Dungey	63	95	19	94*	1297	17.1
L. Thompson	91	154	12	94	2122	14.9
P. Kenrick	35	55	6	64	733	14.9
P. Farrall	69	112	13	89	1387	14.0
B. Haywood	11	16	3	31*	179	13.8
R. Street	46	60	11	49	653	13.3
T. Taylor	94	149	36	39	1451	12.9
W. Harmer	24	36	1	51	448	12.8
G. Farrall	195	296	25	75	3448	12.7
G. Dart	86	138	16	55	1485	12.2
L. Moulton	39	57	6	36	553	10.9
M. Guerds	48	72	7	50	675	10.4
K. Ritchie	35	51	4	69	491	10.4
K. Little	70	106	7	38	760	7.7
R. Ehlers	12	12	5	30*	54	7.7
R. Ritchie	184	310	33	53	2071	6.9
S. Farrall	43	67	6	32	346	5.7
W. Saxby	19	24	4	44	106	5.3
A. Malins	46	60	9	27	261	5.1
W. Farrall	23	34	12	19	96	4.4
G. Woodhead	41	53	20	15	133	4.0

ALL TIME BOWLING AVERAGES OF CURRENT PLAYERS

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Ave.
K. Ritchie	7	-	4	18	4.5
M. Farrall	22	1	14	87	6.2
G. Farrall	1953	268	657	6795	10.3
B. Taywood	87	16	25	267	10.7
W. Harmer	126	22	38	426	11.3
L. Dungey	112	10	31	387	12.5
R. Ritchie	1339	147	389	4990	12.8
K. Little	522	83	117	1623	13.9
A. Malins	573	105	142	2086	14.7
S. Rankin	271	38	75	1121	14.9
P. Kenrick	32	1	11	161	14.9
P. Farrall	525	64	134	2068	15.4
M. Guerds	199	23	51	806	15.8
S. Farrall	345	53	75	1226	16.3
L. Thompson	136	22	35	575	16.4
G. Woodhead	115	2	35	608	17.4
R. Street	342	47	73	1298	17.8
T. Taylor	416	49	84	1551	18.4
G. Dart	46	1	12	242	20.2
L. Moulton	2	-	-	4	-
W. Saxby	1	-	-	4	-
A. Ball	1	-	-	5	-

It takes no more than a brief glance at these figures to realise that our Club has an abundance of capable bowlers but that we are lacking in batsmen who are capable of consistently amassing scores of particular note

With several of last season's players unavailable this year, we barely have the makings of two teams. Only 23 appear to be likely to continue playing this season. Undoubtedly the two hardest to replace will be Keith Chapman and Peter Bradbrook. However, the other players (Ralph Dungey, Phil Wilson, Bill Dartnell, John Towers, Graham Laerenos, Garry Bonser, Warwick Obles, Jim Whyte and Rob Kidd) played in a total of 28 games between them and thus were important, at various stages of the year, in our endeavours to have full sides at all games. 23 players means that no more than one player can be unavailable at one time. Unfortunately, some of these 23 have already indicated that they may miss games during the season. Looking on the brighter side of things, we always seem to manage a couple of new players each year. Let us look at the players we have now.

BALL Adrian - A reliable opening bat and useful wicket keeper who joined the Club last year. Adrian proved to be the backbone of the First Grade batting last season but he will need support if we are to improve in Second Grade this season.

DART Greg - Captain of the First Grade last season, Greg did not have a very good season with the bat. He made several promising starts to inningses but did not build a major score. Better things are hoped from Greg this season.

DUNGEY Lloyd - A classic batsman on his day, and a useful slow bowler who has been used only sparingly in recent seasons. Lloyd had possibly his worst season last year but only has to re-capture previous form to be a great asset in Second Grade this season.

EHLERS Ray - In his first season last year, Ray proved to be a useful bat and an excellent fieldsman in Fourth Grade. At training this season he has improved beyond recognition. He could also develop into a useful spin bowler if given the chance. I predict a very good season in Third Grade for Ray.

FARRALL Geoff - In the twilight of his career, Geoff now only plays in the lower team though I believe he would still be a success if he played in Second Grade this season. Geoff has scored more runs and taken more wickets than any player in the history of Bentley. His skill as a slow bowler and his batting ability will once again be invaluable this season.

FARRALL Michael - A youngster who shows a great deal of potential as a slow bowler. Michael also shows sound technique and good temperament as a batsman. With experience he should develop into a very useful player in third grade this season.

FARRALL Peter - Potentially the best all-rounder in the Club with the possible exception of Stu Rankin. Last season was not one of Peter's better years but I believe he will re-capture his form this season. Peter is an aggressive, hard-hitting bat, a useful medium-fast bowler, a potential match-winner as a spinner and the best slips fielder in the Club.

FARRALL Stephen - Due to injury, Steve missed many games last season. He is a good new-ball bowler in the lower grade who could develop into a bowler of the future. Stephen is also strong but somewhat unreliable bat. Should have a successful season in Third Grade.

GUERDS Mike - Missed the majority of the season due to an interstate trip last season. Mike is a hard hitting batsman and a more than useful medium pace bowler. He should do well in Third Grade and I'm tipping him to play Second Grade if any batsmen fail in that side.

HARMER William - Bill is a punishing batsman, useful medium-fast bowler and brilliant close to the wicket fieldsman who made a very successful comeback after an absence of 3 seasons. Bill has the ability to succeed in either Grade this season.

HAYWOOD Brian - In his first season with Bentley, Brian proved to be an all-rounder of great promise. Although he played the majority of games in Fourth Grade last season, I feel his batting ability and his medium-fast bowling would make him a success in Second Grade this season.

KENRICK Phil - A courageous and consistent opening batsman, Phil looks the logical choice to open the innings for Second Grade with

Adrian Ball. Phil has flaws in his technique but more than makes up for them with his fighting temperament.

LITTLE Ken - "Harold" is, at times under-rated as an all-rounder. His deceptive and economical swing bowling has earned him many wickets over the seasons and when in the right frame of mind he can be a dour batsman. Unfortunately his urge to "have a bash" rarely meets with consistent success. Capable of holding a place in Second Grade this season.

MALINS Tony - Although heading the First Grade wicket takers last season, his was a disappointing season. "C.A." is a shade above medium-fast and although he appears to lose a yard of pace each season he is the logical new-ball bowler for Second Grade this season. His batting ability is somewhat limited.

MOULTON Len - Len, the captain of last season's highly successful Fourth Grade side, is a grafter of runs. Although he rarely makes a major score, he consistently contributes for his side. With the absence of Peter Bradbrook, he is likely to open for the Third Grade.

RANKIN Stu - A brilliant but unpredictable all-rounder. Although essentially a batsman (and one of class at that) he performed exceptionally well as a swing-bowler in First Grade last season. At this stage he appears likely to share the new ball with Tony Malins in Second Grade although he prefers to be first change.

RITCHIE Ken - The Fourth Grade wicket keeper last season. Ken is a very hard striker of the ball and has some very good scores to his name. He is likely to 'keep in Third Grade again this season but he could possibly gain promotion on the strength of his batting.

RITCHIE Roy - Roy has been with the Club longer than any other player. Last season in Fourth Grade he did extremely well with his cunning slow bowling early in the season. Inexplicably he was not utilised later in the season. Roy is an aggressive but unreliable bat. His experience will be invaluable in Third Grade this season if he decides against retiring.

SAXBY Warren - Warren shows potential as a batsman and he is a reliable fieldsman. He should find himself representing the Club in Third Grade far more frequently than in past seasons.

STREET Ron - Possibly the most consistent all-rounder in Fourth Grade last season. Ron is a useful and economical medium pacer and a consistent run scorer. He should have another good season in Third Grade with definite prospects of promotion to Second Grade.

TAYLOR Terry - A "veteran" of the Club who will play his 100th game this season. Terry is a useful all-rounder whose medium pace bowling and dour batting have frequently met with success. Terry is a student of the game and I'm tipping him to lead the Third Grade side although his services may be required in Second Grade.

THOMPSON Lance - Another player in line for his 100th game. Lance is a versatile cricketer. He is a powerful batsman, efficient wicket keeper and useful medium pacer. He will probably 'keep for the Second Grade side who will be hoping he has his eye in with the bat.

WOODHEAD George - George surprised many with his greatly improved slow bowling in First Grade last season. The Second Grade side this season will be looking to a continuation of this form this season. George, who will develop further with experience, could prove to be a match winner in the future. His batting ability is restricted.

Well, these are the materials we have to mould into our Second and Third Grade sides. The experience is there, the ability is there. Let's hope that the dedication will also be there. The Second Grade should find things easier this season and with greater application could have a successful season. The Third Grade will find the going tougher after their promotion but if they continue with the same team spirit and will-to-win then they should succeed. In conclusion, all I can say is good luck to all players; take each game as it comes; never stop trying and let's see if we can make 1972/73 a vintage season.

C.A.