

NBMCC Summary of Club's early history (c 1973)

CLUB HISTORY

The North Blackburn Methodist Church was instigated in 195[?], and land purchased in Koonung Rd. with a view to establishing permanent church buildings. The first of these buildings was officially dedicated in .

During 1959 a meeting held at 6 Merle St. first considered the formation of a cricket club among members of the N.B.M.C. Rev. Pask, Messrs. A. Skelton, N. Piggot and W. Cuddon were appointed as a temporary committee. The names of 16 definite players (including 4 Juniors), 6 possible players and possible supporters were noted. A comprehensive list of necessary materials, ^{costing} total of £81.10.0 (\$163) was drawn up. Ormond Cricket Club was approached and were most helpful in contributing suitable equipment to assist the formation of N.B.M.C.C.

At the inaugural meeting of the club (6/7/1959) it was decided to have a committee of six members, ^{in addition to} excluding the President. Previous members of the temporary committee were reelected and Messrs. R. Chambers G. Tregaskis and K. Hughes added.

The initial joining fee of £3 was later reduced to £2 and the annual subscription was also reduced from £1.5.0 to £1 (\$2). Junior fees were set at £1 for joining and 15/- per season.

Nunawading City Council gave approval for use of the ground at the rear of the Blackburn Hotel. This ground (Lynch's Oval) was used for 3 seasons. In 1963 the increased demand for parking space to cope with traffic in this area on Saturday afternoons, saw the Club reluctantly accept the City Council's offer of an unimproved Koonung Reserve, for one season prior to the planned commencement of extensive site works.

During the following two seasons, the club was allotted use of an oval at Willison Park East for a fee of \$4.20 per season. ~~As from~~ In season 1966-67, with site works completed at Koonung Reserve, the club rented No. 2 oval for \$85 per season. ^{although plagued by continued} ~~exorbitant~~ rent increases have continued to ~~use~~ use this oval ~~at~~ the pavilion

with the introduction of the ^{Senior} 3rd XI in 1970-71 we were unable to obtain a ground in Nunawading & have, each season since, been forced to obtain one in another area.

The 3rd eleven was disbanded ^{after season 1971/72} after 2 years operation.

The successful progress ^{of} the N.B.M.C.C. has enjoyed in the past ~~few~~ seasons is due to many people who have actively supported the club in many ways both on and off the field

Since its inception in 1959 Club statistics reflect ~~this~~ ^{the} active support and interest shown at North Blackburn.

NORTH BLACKBURN METHODIST CRICKET CLUB 1ST. ELEVEN

SEASON	CAPTAIN	VICE CAPT.	GRADE	POS'N	Team Champion CLUB AWARD (John Tombs Memorial Trophy)
1959-60	G. Tregaskis	A. Skelton	C2	11	J. Adlam
1960-61	K. Hughes	A. Trethewey	C2	4	A. Trethewey
1961-62	K. Hughes	A. Trethewey	C1	1	W. Courtis
1962-63	K. Hughes	R. Courtis	B2	7	R. Davison
1963-64	K. Hughes	R. Courtis	B2	11	G. Ross
1964-65	K. Hughes	R. Courtis	B2	4	R. Courtis
1965-66	R. Courtis	K. Hughes	B2	3	R. Courtis, equal W. Courtis
1966-67	R. Courtis	D. Beanland	B2	1	R. Davison
1967-68	D. Beanland	R. Davison	B1	4	R. Davison
1968-69	R. Davison	J. Boldiston	B1	8	R. Davison
1969-70	R. Davison	J. Harris	B1	2	T. Tombs.
1970-71	R. Davison	R. Blake T. Tombs	B1	6	T. Tombs.
1971-72	R. Davison	R. Blake	B1		D. Boldiston
1972-73	R. Blake	D. Boldiston	B1		R. Blake

NORTH BLACKBURN METHODIST CRICKET CLUB 2ND. ELEVEN

SEASON	CAPTAIN	VICE CAPT.	GRADE	POS'N	Team Champion CLUB AWARD
1965-66	C. Boldiston	C. Bell	D2	6	C. Boldiston
1966-67	C. Bell	F. Blackham	D	7	T. Tombs
1967-68	A. Rash	R. Dolbel	D	3	A. Rash
1968-69	A. Rash	R. Dolbel	D	2	T. Steele
1969-70	A. Rash	R. Dolbel	D	9	A. Rash.
1970-71	C. Hosking	?	C3	4	C. Hosking
1971-72	C. Hosking	G. White	C3	4	P. Chapman
1972-73	I. Toogood		C3		I. Toogood.

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1970-71	K. Clarke		D	7	W. Courtis
1971-72	W. Courtis	I. Toogood.	D.		I. Toogood.

OFFICE BEARERS

	PRESIDENT	CHAIRMAN	TREASURER	SECRETARY
1959-60	Rev. Pask	A. Skelton	W. Cuddon	N. Piggott
60-61	Rev. Pask	A. Skelton	W. Cuddon	J. Tombs
61-62	Rev. Pask	A. Skelton	J. Richards	J. Tombs
62-63	Rev. Hazlewood	R. Smith	R. Davison	J. Richards
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64-65	Rev. Hazelwood	<u>J. Adlam ?</u>	R. Davison	J. Richards
65-66	Rev. K. Bennett	J. Adlam	R. Davison	J. Richards
66-67	Rev. K. Bennett	K. Hughes	R. Davison	J. Richards
67-68	Rev. K. Bennett	K. Hughes	R. Davison	J. Richards
68-69	Rev. I. Blake	K. Blackham	P. Glasscock	F. Blackham
69-70	Rev. I. Blake	C. Hosking	G. Wilkinson	A. Rash
70-71	Rev. I. Blake	C. Hosking	E. Irons	A. Rash
71-72	Rev. I. Blake	B. Store	G. Ray.	A. Rash.
72-73	Rev. I. Blake	B. Store	G. Ray	A. Rash.