

# NICK

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Welcome to the first edition of **NICK**. He is the newest member of our umpiring team so please make him welcome to our ranks.

### ***New NDCUA Members***

Congratulations and a very special welcome to our new Umpires - Dominic Wenta, Terry Collins & Wayne Ford – they passed their Theory examination and Field Work and were assessed as competent during their personal Trial Match. We wish them well and trust they have a long and enjoyable future “out in the middle.” Also a special thanks to the Training Committee for their efforts in preparing Terry, Wayne and Dominic for their umpiring careers.

### ***Fast Trackers***

Steven Cooper, Michael Osbourne, James Seville, Ross McKim, Jordon Bobrowski, Cameron McGinn & Bryan Lambert. Attended and contributed to the Development Squad weekend with the focus being a fast track program to equip these Umpires with the skills and knowledge to Umpire at higher levels and accelerate their opportunities. Special Guest presenters were - Darren Goodger - Development Officer (NSWCU&SA) - Dr Stephen Poole - Board Director (NSWCU&SA) and Keith Griffiths - NSW Country Umpires Advisor.

### ***What's happening in the ranks***

Three of our new Umpires of last season Michael Osbourne, Mark Pinfold and James Seville have been recognised by their appointment to their initial 1<sup>st</sup> Grade games in the opening round of this season's competition.

It is also pleasing to see the return of Bruce Muddle and Vince Woodman to our ranks after overcoming their respective illnesses. Ross McKim also is available on a permanent basis after retiring from playing with the Wallsend Club.

Congratulations to David Ashton, Don Black, Steve Brady, Terry Dalley, Brian Lambert and, Joel McCrindle on their Level 2 Accreditation and formal acceptance by Cricket Australia.

### ***True/False Questionnaire***

The True/False questions attached to this edition of NICK have been developed to assist with your ongoing cricket law knowledge. Your correct answers from these True/False questionnaires will be aggregated and form part of the Bill Mewett/Alan Irons award points for this season. Please complete the questions and place a copy of your answers in the box provided at our October General Meeting. Please keep a copy as the correct answers will be published in the November edition of NICK. These questionnaires are being organized by our Assistant Secretary Bruce Muddle, in conjunction with our Training Committee who will also be utilising the Website as a Training medium. We value Bruce's contribution in this way.

**Some Trivia –**

1. Who is the 'Bodyline' style bowling attributed to?
2. In a One-Day match, if a team needed 8 to win from the last ball of the innings, what should the batter do?
  - a: Just hit a single if possible
  - b: Just block it or leave it.
  - c: Try to get as many runs as they can
  - d: Make sure that he doesn't get out - to improve the average.
3. Who was the first batsman to score more than 500 runs in a single first-class innings?
4. With which spinner did Nicorette chewing gum manufacturers Upjohn and Pharmacia sign a four-month deal on condition that he not smoke during that period?
5. Which team featured for the first time in the 1992, cricket World Cup.
6. Whose record did Len Hutton break when he set the record for the highest score ever made by an Englishman?
7. Which player was dropped from his team though he had scored a double century in the prior test match: **a:** David Gower **b:** Geoffrey Boycott **c:** Sunil Gavaska **d:** Allan Border?

See attachment for the answers.

**Have you gotta minute???**

A sarcastic bowler was disgusted by the umpire's decisions. "Have you got a minute?" he asked the umpire. "Yes," said the umpire. "Then why don't you tell me all you know about cricket."

**NSWCU&SA Convention 2009 –**

four of our members, namely; James Seville, Michael Osbourne, Don Tyson & Kim Norris attended the recent Tamworth convention. They reported to the September general meeting that they had a fantastic weekend apart from the sleeping arrangements – Kim did more than his share of snoring!!!!

**Vale Maureen Boyce**

It is with sadness that we learnt of the recent passing of Maureen Boyce who was the 1<sup>st</sup> Grade scorer for University for a number of years. Only weeks before her untimely death the University Club bestowed Life Membership on her. Our sympathy goes out to her husband, Ray, who is a C&S Umpire.

**THANK YOU**

Appreciation is expressed to all the Umpires who officiated at the recent Trial and the U15 and U19 Girls games. The assistance from the C&S Umpires for the girls' carnival was greatly appreciated.

**Dust off your bat & ball**

Come and show us your skills at an Indoor Cricket Social evening arranged for the Gateshead Indoor Complex for Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2009 @ 7-00pm. All members, their family and friends are invited. Names to be given to Cyril Manning by 21<sup>st</sup> October 2009.

<p><b>HERALD POINTS</b>  1st grade umpires are reminded that points for the Herald Player of the Year Award are to be forwarded to the Grade Administrator, Joseph Wenta by 5-00pm on the Sunday after the game. Phone 0422 436 424 or Email <a href="mailto:jpcwenta@gmail.com">jpcwenta@gmail.com</a>.  <b>Remember Points only - no verbal comments are required.</b></p>	<p><b>NEW NDCA DELEGATE TO the NDCUA</b>  The NDCA has this season appointed Peter March as their Delegate to our monthly meetings. Peter has had a broad experience in the cricket world having played 1<sup>st</sup> grade with Charlestown and Balmain, represented Country NSW, is a member of the NDCA Management Committee, the Representative Umpires' Committee and is Chairman of the NDCA Judiciary. Peter will be presenting at our October meeting.</p>
<p><b>VOLUNTEERS For the INTERSTATE MATCH</b>  NSW and Victoria will be playing a four day match at No.1 Sports Ground on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday 18<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> December 2009. The NDCA require as many volunteers as possible to assist on any day of the match. Any Umpire able to assist for half a day, a full day or several days should contact Joe Thomson by 18<sup>th</sup> November 2009.</p>	<p><b>SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS</b>  To all those young Umpires sitting for School Examinations in the coming weeks we wish you every success and look forward to your return to Umpiring in December.</p>
<p><b>Have you got your new RULES and FIXTURES BOOK?</b>  The new look book for this season is available from Joe Thomson and also at our Monthly meetings.</p>	<p><b>WEBSITE</b>  Webmaster, Cameron McGinn, is working on making our Website more functional and user friendly. Cameron would welcome any constructive suggestions for improving the Website.</p>
<p><b>Congratulations to Robert Holland</b>  On behalf of the NDCUA, President Joe Thomson extended congratulations to Robert "Dutchy" Holland on being awarded life membership of NSW Cricket at the AGM held on September 7, 2009. Dutchy joins Rick McCosker (1990) and Denis Broad (1992) as life members from Newcastle.</p>	<p><b>Don't miss the Next Meeting!!!!</b>  Our next Monthly meeting will be held in Wal Young House at 7-00pm on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2009. The Training segment at this meeting will incorporate a visit from the Code of Conduct Commissioner, Greg Wilson and also Representatives from the NDCA Judiciary Committee headed by Peter March. See you there.</p>

Attachments:

- a. True/False questions
- b. Trivia Answers

## TRUE/FALSE QUESTIONS

**Umpire:**..... (Please place completed questionnaire in box at the next meeting)

<b>The Laws of Cricket</b>	<b>True/False</b>
1. Each captain shall nominate his players in writing to one of the umpires before the toss. One player may be changed after the nomination without the consent of the opposing captain.	
2. If at any time the captain is not available, a deputy shall act for him. If a captain is not available during the period in which the toss is to take place, then the deputy must be responsible for the nomination of the players, if this has not already been done, and for the toss.	
3. In the event of a player failing to comply with instructions by an umpire, or criticising by word or action the decision of an umpire, or showing dissent, or generally behaving in a manner which might bring the game into disrepute, the umpire concerned shall in the first place report the matter to the player's captain, and instruct the latter to take action.	
4. According to the Laws the umpires and captains are the sole judges of fair and unfair play.	
5. <b>It is against the Spirit of the Game:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To dispute an umpire's decision by word, action or gesture</li> <li>• To direct abusive language towards an opponent or umpire</li> <li>• To indulge in cheating or any sharp practice, for instance:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) to appeal knowing that the batsman is not out</li> <li>(b) to advance towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing</li> <li>(c) to seek to distract an opponent either verbally or by harassment with persistent clapping or unnecessary noise under the guise of enthusiasm and motivation of one's own side</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
6. Captains and umpires together set the tone for the conduct of a cricket match. Every player is expected to make an important contribution towards this.	
7. A player wishing to change his shirt, boots, etc. must leave the field to do so. A substitute shall be allowed for him.	
8. The player acting as a runner for a batsman shall be a member of the batting side and shall, if possible, have already batted in that innings. The runner shall wear external protective equipment equivalent to that worn by the batsman for whom he runs and shall carry a bat.	
9. A batsman with a runner will suffer the penalty for any infringement of the Laws by his runner as though he had been himself responsible for the infringement. In particular he will be out if his runner is out under any of Laws 33 (Handled the ball), 37 (Obstructing the field) or 38 (Run out).	
10. Except at the start of a side's innings, a batsman shall be considered to have commenced his innings when he first steps on to the field of play, provided Time has not been called. The innings of the opening batsmen, and that of any new batsman at the resumption of play after a call of Time, shall commence at the commencement of the bowler's run up.	
11. Before the toss the umpires shall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) ascertain the hours of play and agree with the captains</li> <li>(i) the balls to be used during the match. See <a href="#">Law 5</a>.</li> <li>(ii) times and durations of intervals for meals and times for drinks intervals. See <a href="#">Law 15</a>.</li> <li>(iii) the boundary of the field of play and allowances for boundaries. See <a href="#">Law 19</a>.</li> </ul>	

(iv) any special conditions of play affecting the conduct of the match.	
(b) inform the scorers of the agreements in (ii), (iii) and (iv) above	
12. Before the toss the umpires shall agree between themselves and inform both captains and both scorers (i) which clock or watch and back-up time piece is to be used during the match. (ii) whether or not any obstacle within the field of play is to be regarded as a boundary. See <a href="#">Law 19 (Boundaries)</a> .	

## TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Harold Larwood Harold Larwood came up with his 'leg theory' for the 1932-33 Ashes series in England, when Australian captain Bill Woodfull said the famous quote of 'There are two teams out there, but only one team is playing cricket. The other is making no attempt to do so'.
  2. c: Try to get as many runs as they can. The bowler might bowl a no-ball, so the best thing to do is try for a six or four and hope. In this particular end-of-innings context, if the batter hits a six from a no-ball, then the scores are tied with one legal delivery still remaining.
  3. Brian Lara Lara scored 501 not out for Warwickshire against Durham in 1994. Hanif Mohammed came close. He scored 499 for Karachi against Bahawalpur in 1958.
  4. Shane Warne
  5. South Africa. They did not appear in the previous editions because of apartheid
  6. Walter Hammond Hutton broke his record six years after Hammond set it. Hammond broke the record set by Andrew Sandham
  - 7: b: Geoffrey Boycott, because of his incredibly slow scoring rate.
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