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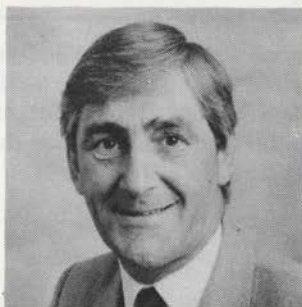
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IRELAND -v- WORCESTERSHIRE

Dates: June 11, 1983:

Venue: Rathmines

Worcester brought their best team and won this match easily, although Ireland were 85 for 2 at one stage. Garfield Harrison got his first cap as substitute for Roy Torrens. Now four Harrison brothers have played for Ireland as did four Quinns. This match was reduced to 45 overs each (from 60) due to late start (rain).

IRELAND

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	Score	BOWLING					Fall of Wickets
J. F. Short	st Humphries b Patel	25	Bowler	O	M	R	W	
M. A. Masood	L.B.W. b Warner	6	Elcock	4	0	17	0	1-13; 2-49;
R. T. Wills	st Humphries b Perryman	59	Warner	6	1	13	1	3-85; 4-89;
L. J. Anderson	b Patel	16	Perryman	9	0	31	1	5-98; 6-125;
M. F. Cohen	Run Out	1	Patel	9	2	23	2	7-138; 8-153;
J. A. Prior	c Neale b D'Oliveira	6	Illingworth	9	2	29	1	9-155
*J. D. Monteith	c D'Oliveira b Illingworth	10	D'Oliveira	8	0	29	3	
G. D. Harrison	b D'Oliveira	12						
S. C. Corlett	Not Out	5						
†P. B. Jackson	c Illingworth b D'Oliveira	2						
M. Halliday								
Extras	B 1; L-B 5; W 1; N-B 6	13						
Total	(45 Overs) for 9 wickets	155						

WORCESTERSHIRE

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	Score	BOWLING					Fall of Wickets
J. A. Ormrod	Not Out	77	Bowler	O	M	R	W	
M. J. Weston	c Anderson b Halliday	31	Corlett	9	1	35	0	1-66; 2-117
D. N. Patel	c Jackson b Anderson	18	Harrison	6	2	19	0	
D. B. D'Oliveira	Not Out	23	Monteith	7	0	29	0	
*P. A. Neale			Halliday	9	0	20	1	
†D. J. Humphries			Prior	6	0	28	0	
M. S. Scott			Anderson	6	0	18	1	
R. K. Illingworth								
S. P. Perryman								
A. E. Warner								
R. M. Elcock								
Extras	B 4; L-B 1; W; N-B 2	7						
Total	(43 Overs) for 2 wickets	156						

Toss: Worcestershire. Result: Worcs won by 8 wkts.

Umpires: S. Moore; L. Keegan.

Man of the Match: R. T. Wills (Ireland) J. A. Ormrod (Worcs).

Sponsored by Rothmans — Travel by Aer Lingus

IRELAND -v- WORCESTERSHIRE

Dates: June 12, 1983:

Venue: Rathmines

Ireland should really have won this match. Worcester were 56 for 7. A dropped catch at 83, allied to Warner's 97* in 90 minutes brought the total to 205. Only Harrison's brisk 36 towards the end gave Ireland's reply a respectable air.

WORCESTERSHIRE

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	Score	BOWLING				Fall of Wickets	
M. S. Scott	L.B.W. b Corlett	14	Bowler	O	M	R	W	Fall of Wickets
M. S. A. McEvoy	c Jackson b Harrison	3	Corlett	12	4	39	3	1-12; 2-15;
D. N. Patel	b Corlett	1	Harrison	12	2	36	1	3-25; 4-25;
M. J. Weston	c Corlett b Halliday	2	Halliday	12	4	19	3	5-36; 6-40;
D. B. D'Oliveira	b Halliday	8	Prior	12	6	19	1	7-56; 8-168;
*P. A. Neale	c Corlett b Prior	7	Monteith	5	1	24	0	9-179
†D. J. Humphries	st Jackson b Anderson	44	Anderson	7	0	50	1	
R. K. Illingworth	c Monteith b Halliday	7						
A. E. Warner	Not Out	97						
R. M. Elcock	b Corlett	1						
S. P. Perryman	Not Out	3						
Extras	B 2; L-B 9; W 5; N-B 2	18						
Total	(60 Overs) for 9 wickets	205						

IRELAND

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	Score	BOWLING				Fall of Wickets	
J. F. Short	b Elcock	2	Bowler	O	M	R	W	Fall of Wickets
M. F. Cohen	c D'Oliveira b Illingworth	16	Elcock	9	2	19	3	1-4; 2-25;
M. A. Masood	c Patel b Elcock	13	Warner	11	1	29	0	3-74; 4-80;
I. J. Anderson	c & b Patel	37	Perryman	12	1	44	0	5-82; 6-90;
R. T. Wills	Run Out	22	Illingworth	12	3	13	2	7-138; 8-150
J. A. Prior	b Illingworth	0	Patel	12	2	20	1	
*J. D. Monteith	Run Out	2	D'Oliveira	4	0	20	0	
G. D. Harrison	b Elcock	36						
S. C. Corlett	Not Out	13						
†P. B. Jackson	Not Out	4						
M. Halliday								
Extras	B 5; L-B 6; W 2; N-B 4	17						
Total	(60 Overs) for 8 wickets	162						

Toss: Worcester. Result: Worcs won by 43 runs.

Umpires: J. Heavey; R. MacClancy.

Man of the Match: A. E. Warner (Worcs); S. C. Corlett (Ireland).

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to cricket in Ireland.*

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IRELAND -v- SUSSEX
First Round — Nat West Trophy

Dates: June 29, 1983:

Venue: Castle Avenue, Clontarf

Anderson's inability to play was a big blow. As usual Ireland had a good phase. They put Sussex in and had them 96 for 4. Then a difficult catch was missed — off Imran when he was 14. Masood became Ireland's first Man-of-the-Match winner in our 4th Match in this Competition. His 69 in 128 minutes was the most fluent and highest innings in the match. Godfrey Evans made the award. Ireland were 94 for 2 in reply but, as usual, collapsed and failed to last the 60 overs. The attendance was most disappointing.

SUSSEX

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	Score	BOWLING				Fall of Wickets	
G. D. Mendis	c Warke b Harrison	11	Bowler	O	M	R	W	
*J. R. T. Barclay	c Jackson b Halliday	48	Corlett	12	0	63	1	1-19; 2-37;
C. M. Wells	b Harrison	11	Harrison	11	2	42	3	3-92; 4-96;
P. W. G. Parker	b Monteith	14	Prior	12	2	40	0	5-182; 6-190;
Imran Khan	b Johnston	41	Monteith	12	3	32	1	7-221
†I. J. Gould	b Corlett	46	Halliday	10	0	47	1	
G. S. LeRoux	c Prior b Harrison	22	Johnston	3	0	25	1	
C. P. Phillipson	Not Out	40						
D. A. Reeve	Not Out	16						
A. C. S. Pigott								
C. E. Waller								
Extras	B; L-B 6; W 9; N-B 1	16						
Total	(60 Overs) for 7 wickets	265						

IRELAND

BATSMAN	HOW OUT	Score	BOWLING				Fall of Wickets	
J. F. Short	L.B.W. b Le Roux	2	Bowler	O	M	R	W	
M. A. Masood	c Phillipson b Barclay	69	LeRoux	6	3	11	1	1-16; 2-50;
R. T. Wells	Run Out	10	Pigott	2	0	11	0	3-94; 4-95;
R. I. Johnston	b Barclay	17	Wells	8	1	25	0	5-97; 6-106;
G. D. Harrison	b Reeve	0	Waller	12	2	31	1	7-107; 8-130;
S. J. S. Warke	L.B.W. b Reeve	0	Barclay	12	1	28	3	9-141; 10-141
J. A. Prior	L.B.W. b Barclay	3	Reeve	12	1	26	3	
*J. D. Monteith	b Phillipson	22	Phillipson	0.3	0	0	1	
S. C. Corlett	c Pigott b Waller	5						
†P. B. Jackson	b Reeve	4						
M. Halliday	Not Out	0						
Extras	B; L-B 4; W 3; N-B 2	9						
Total	(52.3 Overs)	141						

Toss: Ireland. Result: Sussex won by 124 runs.
 Umpires: N. Plews; J. Birkenshaw.
 Man of the Match: M. A. Masood.

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IRELAND -v- SCOTLAND

Dates: July 14, 15, 16, 1983:

Venue: Downpatrick

The late Bob Law made this match a great success. A good crowd attended on three sunny days. Neither side was at full strength, Anderson and Masood being unable to play for Ireland. David Dennison got his first cap. Scotland batted slowly. Racionzer his 5 sixes but batted 256 minutes for the highest score by a Scottish batsman in Ireland since 1959. Ireland's younger brigade did well with the bat and Harrison, last out, almost scored a century on first class debut (86 in 92 minutes).

Halliday collected 5 wickets in his 50th match but Corlett's 4 for 5 on the third morning won the match. Monteith gained his record ninth win as Captain on the ground where he first captained the team (and won) in 1976. Wins and losses -v- Scotland now equal at 18.

The Down Council and Sports Council both hosted receptions during the match.

SCOTLAND		1st Innings	Score			2nd Innings	Score
W. A. Donald	L.B.W. b Corlett		6			c Dennison b Halliday	45
I. G. Kennedy	b Harrison		3			Monteith b Corlett	12
T. B. Racionzer	st Jackson b Halliday		115			b Halliday	3
*R. G. Swan	b Monteith		39			c Short b Halliday	5
C. J. Warner	c Jackson b Harrison		70			c & b Monteith	11
A. B. M. Ker	Not Out		27			L.B.W. b Corlett	20
†D. J. Haggio	b Monteith		0			L.B.W. b Halliday	9
E. J. McIntyre	Not Out		0			b Corlett	1
W. A. Morton						c Jackson b Corlett	5
J. E. Ker						c Monteith b Corlett	0
W. A. McPate						Not Out	5
Extras	B 5; L-B 8; W 2; N-B 2		17			B 4; L-B 1; W; N-B 8	13
Total	(for 6 wks dec.)		277				129

BOWLING		1st Innings				2nd Innings				Fall of Wickets
Bowler	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	1st Innings	
Corlett	22	6	53	1	23	8	40	5	1-11; 2-18;	
Harrison	18	8	30	2	6	3	10	0	3-108; 4-203;	
Monteith	37	10	88	2	14	5	22	1	5-276; 6-277	
Halliday	33	14	65	1	27	11	44	4	2nd Innings	
Prior	8	4	24	0					1-24; 2-39;	
									3-46; 4-79;	
									5-91; 6-112;	
									7-114; 8-119;	
									9-121; 10-129	

IRELAND		1st Innings	Score			2nd Innings	Score
J. F. Short	c Ker A.B.M. b Donald		30			b McPate	10
D. Dennison	b Ker J. E.		1			L.B.W. b Morton	16
S. J. S. Warke	Run Out		63			c & b Morton	45
R. T. Wills	c & b Morton		1			c Ker J. E. b Morton	3
R. I. Johnston	c Haggio b Morton		2			Not Out	14
J. A. Prior	c Swan b Ker J. E.		55			b Morton	0
*J. D. Monteith	c & b Morton		0			7) Not Out	21
G. D. Harrison	b Racionzer		86				
S. C. Corlett	c Swan b Racionzer		14				
†P. B. Jackson	b Ker J. E.		1				
M. Halliday	Not Out		0				
Extras	B 10; L-B 4; W; N-B 15		29			B 15; L-B 3; W; N-B 1	19
Total			282			(for 5 wickets)	128

BOWLING		1st Innings				2nd Innings				Fall of Wickets
Bowler	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	1st Innings	
Ker J. E.	18	3	45	3	5	1	18	0	1-3; 2-86;	
McPate	13	3	37	0	4	3	8	1	3-87; 4-89;	
Morton	27	6	94	3	18	6	40	4	5-128; 6-135;	
Donald	19	6	46	1	3	1	3	0	7-228; 8-268;	
McIntyre	4	2	20	0	1	0	4	0	9-277; 10-282	
Racionzer	1.2	0	11	2	15	7	36	0	2nd Innings	
Swan					0.4	0	0	0	1-15; 2-33;	
									3-57; 4-99;	
									5-99	

Toss: Scotland. Result: Ireland won by 5 wickets.

* Captain; † Wicketkeeper.

Umpires: J. A. Vaughan; P. Reith.

The Irish Touring Party of 1983.



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Sitting: R. T. Wills; J. F. Short; G. D. Harrison; J. D. Monteith (Capt.); J. D. Caprani (President); M. Halliday; J. B. Jackson.
Absent: I. J. Anderson; S. C. Corlett.

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IRELAND -v- GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Dates: August 17, 18, 19, 1983:

Venue: Bristol

This match was almost an epic win to rank with that -v- Sussex in 1977. After quite an even game, all four totals had only a 15 run span, Ireland were set 276 to win with no time problem. At 209 for 8 all seemed lost. Then Monteith and Halliday added 59, Monteith made a marvellous 91 in 103 minutes. He was out to a good catch. O'Reilly, released by Warwick for the tour, had to face and could not survive. Wills got his 3rd half century -v- County teams. Corlett, in his 50th match, took six wickets. Ireland's 2nd innings, 268, was our second highest fourth innings score ever. Jimmy Kirkwood got his first cap in this match when Ian Johnston cried off. Wright and Bainbridge's centuries provided the 6th instance of two in the same match against Ireland.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE		1st Innings	Score	2nd Innings		Score
P. Bainbridge	b Corlett		3	c Prior	b Monteith	105
A. J. Wright	c & b Harrison		109	5) c Wills	b Monteith	25
E. J. Cunningham	c Anderson	b O'Reilly	8	c Corlett	b Monteith	15
P. W. Romaines	c Wills	b O'Reilly	0	2) b Corlett		2
J. E. Skinner	c Jackson	b O'Reilly	36	6) Not Out		26
♂ J. Doughty	c Jackson	b Corlett	10	7) L.B.W.	b Corlett	15
K. G. Rice	b Corlett		0	8) Not Out		12
*D. A. Graveney	c Corlett	b Monteith	54	4) c & b Prior		58
W. M. Smith	c Short	b Monteith	14			
† A. J. Brassington	b Corlett		6			
G. E. Sainsbury	Not Out		1			
Extras	B; L-B 3; W 9; N-B 7		19	B 2; L-B 6; W 3; N-B		11
Total			260	(for 6 wkts dec.)		269

BOWLING		1st Innings				2nd Innings				Fall of Wickets
Bowler	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	1st Innings	
Corlett	35	7	74	4	20	5	55	2	1-12; 2-26;	
O'Reilly	17	4	62	3	14	3	46	0	3-32; 4-89;	
Harrison	14	2	39	1					5-139; 6-139;	
Halliday	11	4	21	0	15	5	55	0	7-219; 8-244;	
Monteith	12.4	3	45	2	25	6	82	3	9-258; 10-260	
Anderson					5	1	18	0	2nd Innings	
Prior					1	0	2	1	1-7; 2-68;	
									3-145; 4-210;	
									5-215; 6-239	

IRELAND		1st Innings	Score	2nd Innings		Score
J. F. Short	L.B.W.	b Sainsbury	3	b Smith		36
J. Kirkwood	b Bainbridge		27	c & b Wright		7
R. T. Wills	c Sub	b Doughty	62	c Romaines	b Bainbridge	4
I. J. Anderson	c Skinner	b Doughty	22	c & b Graveney		30
J. A. Prior	c Sub	b Doughty	12	c Graveney	b Bainbridge	48
G. D. Harrison	b Sainsbury		38	c Wright	b Cunningham	26
S. C. Corlett	b Graveney		9	c & b Cunningham		0
*J. D. Monteith	c Doughty	b Bainbridge	22	c Wright	b Bainbridge	91
† P. B. Jackson	b Graveney		42	b Graveney		0
M. Halliday	Not Out		3	Not Out		10
P. M. O'Reilly	b Smith		0	c Rice	b Graveney	0
Extras	B 1; L-B 10; W 2; N-B 1		14	B 6; L-B 8; W 1; N-B 1		16
Total			254			268

BOWLING		1st Innings				2nd Innings				Fall of Wickets
Bowler	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	1st Innings	
Sainsbury	12	3	31	2					1-3; 2-60;	
Bainbridge	15	4	34	2	15	4	41	3	3-96; 4-134;	
Smith	16.4	3	59	1	11	3	34	1	5-135; 6-175;	
Doughty	13	4	40	3	17	3	56	0	7-192; 8-226;	
Graveney	28	10	54	2	19	6	50	3	9-253; 10-254	
Cunningham	7	2	22	0	4	1	17	2	2nd Innings	
Wright					10	4	19	1	1-11; 2-29;	
Romaines					4	0	35	0	3-81; 4-83;	
									5-136; 6-136;	
									7-198; 8-209;	
									9-268; 10-268	

Toss: Gloucester. Result: Gloucester won by 7 runs.

* Captain; † Wicketkeeper.

Umpires: J. M. Bottley; C. A. Hale.

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IRELAND -v- WALES

Dates: August 21, 22, 23, 1983:

Venue: Neath

On a very sunny tour the first day was washed out by rain! The time could not be made up and the match meandered to a draw. Monteith's 7 for 67 brought his tally of wickets beyond 300. He finished the season at 305, two behind J. C. Boucher. He has now taken 5 or more wickets in an innings 26 times — 5 less than Boucher. Short, in his 50th match, scored exactly 50. Harrison breezed his way to 64 in 67 minutes. Nigel Roberts scored his third 50 -v- Ireland — one in each match in which he has played. Corlett and Anderson had to return before this match. Masood would not conform to travel regulations so Alan Lewis was sent for but did not play. Gerry Kirwan made his debut and bowled well.

WALES		1st Innings		Score	2nd Innings		Score
J. Bevan	b Monteith			35	c Monteith b Halliday		0
C. Ellwood	b Halliday			52	L.B.W. b Monteith		44
P. Hall	c O'Reilly b Kirwan			9	c Wills b Halliday		30
N. Roberts	c Harrison b Monteith			25	Not Out		67
G. Edwards	b Monteith			1	c Harrison b Monteith		0
*G. P. Ellis	L.B.W. b Monteith			42	Not Out		40
†M. Davies	c Kirkwood b Monteith			7			
M. Heames	L.B.W. b Monteith			0			
P. Lawlor	c Cohen b Monteith			10			
J. John	c Jackson b Kirwan			0			
L. Williams	Not Out			2			
Extras	B; L-B 2; W 2; N-B 3			7	B 8; L-B 3; W 1; N-B		12
Total				190	(for 4 wickets dec.)		193

BOWLING		1st Innings				2nd Innings				Fall of Wickets
Bowler	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	1st Innings	
O'Reilly	5	0	14	0					1-74; 2-89;	
Harrison	4	0	10	0					3-127; 4-127;	
Monteith	32.2	12	67	7	28	10	58	2	5-127; 6-149;	
Halliday	22	5	63	1	18	3	63	2	7-150; 8-176;	
Kirwan	12	6	29	2	6	1	31	0	9-178; 10-190	
Prior					4	0	29	0		
									2nd Innings	
									1-5; 2-72;	
									3-90; 4-90	

IRELAND		1st Innings		Score	2nd Innings		Score
J. F. Short	c Davies b Williams			50			
M. F. Cohen	c Elwood b Lawlor			19	1) Not Out		8
R. T. Wills	st Davies b Edwards			32			
J. W. Kirkwood	L.B.W. b Edwards			0			
J. A. Prior	Run Out			5			
G. D. Harrison	b Edwards			64			
*J. D. Monteith	Not Out			5			
†P. B. Jackson	c & b Edwards			9			
M. Halliday					2) st Davies b Edwards		2
P. M. O'Reilly					3) Not Out		0
G. A. Kirwan							
Extras	B 13; L-B 6; W 1; N-B 4			24	B; L-B; W; N-B		0
Total	(for 7 wickets dec.)			208	(for 1 wicket)		10

BOWLING		1st Innings				2nd Innings				Fall of Wickets
Bowler	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	1st Innings	
Williams	15	4	28	1	1	0	4	0	1-46; 2-106;	
John	6	0	17	0	1	0	5	0	3-106; 4-113;	
Lawlor	23	9	49	1	1	1	0	0	5-184; 6-196;	
Heames	5	0	10	0	1	0	1	0	7-208	
Edwards	17.2	6	50	4	1	1	0	1		
Ellis	9	1	30	0					2nd Innings	
									1-10	

Toss: Ireland; Result: Match Drawn

* Captain; † Wicketkeeper.

Umpires: L. Barrah; M. Cole.

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IRELAND -v- M.C.C.

Dates: August 24, 25, 1983:

Venue: Roehampton

Disaster was reserved for the last match played -v- M.C.C. at Bank of England C.C. in Roehampton. They had splendid facilities but no covers. Ireland had no seamers to exploit a damp wicket as M.C.C. scored 220 for 2 in 68 overs. Hayward made 100* in 2 hours.

Faced by A. J. Pollock, Cambridge University's opening bowler, Ireland collapsed for 49 — their lowest ever away score. The follow-on was not much better at 19 for 4. Then Robert Wills made his first century in any sort of Senior cricket. He batted 211 minutes and faced 193 balls in an innings of great courage and concentration. Pollock took 5 more wickets but at least M.C.C. had to bat again. M.C.C. now lead 19 wins to 18 in 69 matches.

M. C. C.	1st Innings	Score	2nd Innings	Score
G. W. Sandrock	c Short b O'Reilly	6	Not Out	18
R. T. Hart	Not Out	84	c & b Prior	6
J. A. Claughton	c Wills b Harrison	26	Not Out	14
R. T. Hayward	Not Out	100		
C. J. Warner				
*M. D. Mence				
†N. Smith				
R. S. Swindell				
P. A. Capes				
A. J. Pollock				
D. Wilson				
Extras	B; L-B 2; W 2; N-B	4	B 1; L-B; W 1; N-B	2
Total	(for 2 wickets dec.)	220	(for 1 wicket)	40

BOWLING	1st Innings				O	2nd Innings			Fall of Wickets
	O	M	R	W		O	M	R	
O'Reilly	12.3	4	32	1	6	2	12	0	1-34; 2-70
Harrison	11.3	2	39	1					
Prior	8	4	21	0	6	1	22	1	2nd Innings
Kirwan	11	4	31	0					1-10
Monteith	17	2	57	0					
Halliday	8	1	36	0					
Jackson					0.2	0	4	0	

IRELAND	1st Innings	Score	2nd Innings	Score
J. F. Short	c Swindell b Pollock	5	c Hayward b Pollock	1
M. F. Cohen	c Hart b Pollock	4	c Swindell b Pollock	5
R. T. Wills	c Smith b Pollock	2	b Capes	100
J. W. Kirkwood	c Capes b Pollock	7	c Smith b Pollock	2
J. A. Prior	c Hayward b Mence	11	L.B.W. b Pollock	3
G. D. Harrison	c Mence b Wilson	7	c Sandrock b Pollock	32
*J. D. Monteith	c Hayward b Wilson	2	c Smith b Wilson	23
†P. B. Jackson	c Claughton b Pollock	6	c Sandrock b Wilson	21
M. Halliday	c Hart b Pollock	1	c Sandrock b Wilson	5
G. A. Kirwan	Not Out	0	b Capes	0
P. M. O'Reilly	c Swindell b Wilson	0	Not Out	5
Extras	B; L-B 4; W; N-B	4	B 2; L-B; W 2; N-B 6	10
Total		49		207

BOWLING	1st Innings				O	2nd Innings			Fall of Wickets
	O	M	R	W		O	M	R	
Capes	9	3	8	0	18	12	17	2	1-5; 2-14;
Pollock	16	8	18	6	24	8	69	5	3-15; 4-30;
Mence	4	0	16	1					5-40; 6-40;
Wilson	3.1	1	3	3	28.4	9	79	3	7-46; 8-49;
Swindell					9	2	32	0	9-49; 10-49

Toss: M. C. C. Result: M. C. C. won by 9 wks.

* Captain; † Wicketkeeper.

Umpires: A. E. D. Smith; R. O. Hounsell

2nd Innings
 1-8; 2-9; 3-11;
 4-19; 5-110;
 6-141; 7-197;
 8-197; 9-197;
 10-207

CAREERS OF IRISH PLAYERS 1983

Debut Mts.	In.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Aver	100	50	Inns.		Runs	Wkts.	Aver	10 W. 5 W.		Ct.	St.
								Bd.	Ovs.				Mds.	Mt.		
1966	81	135	25	198*	3692	33.56	7	13	57	458	143	1215	48	25.31	39	-
1980	7	11	2	59*	169	18.77	-	1							3	-
1974	50	59	14	60	709	15.75	-	3	85	1418.2	361	3856	186	20.73	41	-
1983	1	2	-	16	17	8.50	-	-							1	-
1970	53	46	22	30	261	10.87	-	-	77	1223.3	357	3244	130	24.95	16	-
1983	7	10	1	86	322	35.77	-	2							3	-
1981	18	18	2	46	240	15.00	-	-	8	82.3	21	225	8	28.12	3	-
1979	15	20	5	72	361	24.06	-	2	1	.2	-	4	-	-	21	5
1983	3	5	-	27	43	8.60	-	-	7	31.3	-	181	4	45.25	3	-
1983	2	2	1	0*	0	-	-	-							1	-
1982	7	10	3	109	347	49.57	1	2	3	29	11	91	2	45.50	-	-
1965	71	95	16	91	1568	19.84	-	8	1	4	-	16	-	-	2	-
1982	6	8	4	5*	6	1.50	-	-	118	2218.4	809	5258	305	17.23	33	-
1981	16	23	1	119	551	25.04	1	2	10	121.3	23	417	14	29.78	2	-
1974	51	85	5	114	2355	29.43	3	13	14	96	27	304	4	76.00	11	-
1981	8	10	2	63	188	23.50	-	1	1	.3	-	5	-	-	33	-
1981	18	27	-	100	761	28.18	1	4							4	-
															6	-

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WELSH SCHOOLS -v- IRISH SCHOOLS

Dates: July 13, 14, 15, 1983:

Venue: Pontardulais

Third successive win over Wales after being set 379 to win. Ireland needed 21 to save follow-on but Kilgore and Bruce added 46 for last wicket, Bruce hitting four sixes. Kilgore opened 2nd innings as night watchman and put on 138 with O'Gorman. Then, at a crisis point of 256 for 5, Clarke joined Rea in a 79 run partnership. 1,267 runs were scored in the match and 29 wickets fell. 12 half centuries scored.

IRISH SCHOOLS		1st Innings	Score	2nd Innings		Score			
P. Morris	L.B.W.	b Bruce	50	2) c Garth	b Boucher	12			
A. Jenkins	c McGrath	b Bruce	14	1) c McGrath	b Clarke	75			
M. Cann	c O'Gorman	b Boucher	84	c Garth	b Clarke	51			
S. Maddocks	c O'Gorman	b Garth	94	L.B.W.	b Kilgore	19			
*M. Rossiter	Run Out		99	Not Out		59			
C. Jones	c O'Gorman	b Clarke	12	L.B.W.	b Kilgore	4			
M. Williams	Not Out		11	Not Out		30			
†J. Rees									
A. Thomas									
S. Watkins									
J. Francis									
Extras	B 5; L-B 2; W 2; N-B 4		13	B; L-B 2; W 1; N-B 1		4			
Total	(for 6 wks dec.)		<u>377</u>	(for 5 wks dec.)		<u>254</u>			
BOWLING		1st Innings		2nd Innings		Fall of Wickets			
Bowler	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	1st Innings
Bruce	21	2	81	2	6	2	27	0	1-41; 2-90;
Garth	15.3	3	61	1	3	0	14	0	3-178; 4-333;
McGrath	14	2	64	0	4	0	34	0	5-360; 6-377
Boucher	8	3	22	1	10.3	1	52	1	2nd Innings
Kilgore	19	3	78	0	9	1	63	2	1-19; 2-126;
Clarke	12	2	48	1	6	0	45	2	3-151; 4-182;
McCruy	3	1	10	0	4	1	15	0	5-194
McCrum									

WELSH SCHOOLS		1st Innings	Score	2nd Innings		Score			
K. McCruy	Run Out		89	4) b Francis		21			
J. Ireland	c Rees	b Watkins	0	5) L.B.W.	b Cann	20			
C. McCrum	L.B.W.	b Maddocks	38	c Francis	b Cann	65			
†S. O'Gorman	b Francis		4	1) b Francis		50			
*J. Garth	b Francis		0	8) Not Out		22			
M. Rea	c Maddocks	b Watkins	34	c Watkins	b Francis	25			
S. Clarke	b Francis		10	b Cann		60			
K. Boucher	c Rees	b Maddocks	0	9) c Watkins	b Cann	15			
M. Kilgore	Not Out		8	2) b Francis		86			
J. McGrath	L.B.W.	b Watkins	10	Not Out		1			
M. Bruce	b Thomas		36						
Extras	B 10; L-B 4; W 4; N-B 6		24	B 2; L-B 8; W 2; N-B 6		18			
Total			<u>253</u>	(for 8 wickets)		<u>383</u>			
BOWLING		1st Innings		2nd Innings		Fall of Wickets			
Bowler	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	1st Innings
Francis	20	5	51	3	30.3	5	94	4	1-8; 2-58;
Watkins	23	3	85	3	28	65	119	0	3-70; 4-74;
Thomas	10.1	6	13	1	14	2	43	0	5-164; 6-187;
Maddocks	19	6	67	2	18	1	55	0	7-194; 8-194;
Cann	4	2	13	0	12	2	54	4	9-207; 10-253

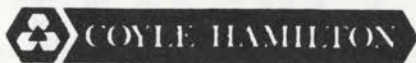
Toss: Wales. Result: Ireland won by 2 wks.

* Captain; † Wicketkeeper.

Umpires: R. Lovegrove; A. Walters.

2nd Innings
1-138; 2-155;
3-200; 4-255;
5-256; 6-335;
7-348; 8-368

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HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT, 1983

For the third successive year Ireland played seven matches, representing 14 days cricket. For the third successive time they won only once but this was a very sweet victory over Scotland. Five matches were lost. These results are not as bad as they seem for a number of reasons. The Selectors had a dilemma in that at no time were all the required players available. There were various reasons, illness, injury, business, holidays, other sports and two unfortunate and unprecedented incidents of players putting club before Country. Secondly, four of the matches were against professional opposition. One of these, the three day match -v- Gloucester was only lost, amid great excitement, by seven runs. Another, the second one-day match -v- Worcestershire, looked certain to be won when Worcester stood at 56 for seven but it was not to be. The only bad loss was -v- M.C.C. at Roehampton.

The batting average of the team dropped from 28 to just under 22. The bowling figure rose, for the fourth successive year, and now stands at an alarming figure of 32.89. Four centuries were scored against Ireland, more than ever recorded hitherto.

The Captain, Dermott Monteith, should be mentioned first. he scored a marvellous 91 -v- Gloucester which was within a blow or two of being a match winning innings in what would have been an epic victory. In the next match he took seven for 67 in the first innings -v- Wales and took his wickets tally beyond 300. He now has 305 wickets in his 71 matches, only two behind the incomparable Jimmy Boucher. Further, Monteith has now been Captain 32 times, four more than A. J. O'Riordan and his nine wins is one more than O'Riordan achieved as Captain.

17 players in all were called upon. Four of these were new caps. Garfield Harrison who played in all seven matches, scored 322 runs, averaged 35.77, scored 86 in his first first-class innings -v- Scotland, and headed the batting averages if one excludes Stephen Warke who only played twice. David Dennison, Jimmy Kirkwood (already a hockey International) and Gerry Kirwan were also capped for the first time. Kirwan's two caps, at the age of 41, were greeted with delight everywhere. He has been Dublin's best bowler for some five years.

Robert Wills continued his consistent form and scored 295 runs, average 29.50. He scored his first international century -v- M.C.C. and, like Jimmy Harrison before him, he had never before made a century in even Senior Club cricket. He has now played 18 successive matches for Ireland, scoring 761 runs.

Among the bowlers, Simon Corlett, as usual, had the best average, 22.43, for his 16 wickets. Monteith took most wickets, 18, at 28 runs each. Paul Jackson was his competent self as wicket-keeper in all seven matches. Six others played in all the matches — Halliday, Harrison, Monteith, Prior, Short and Wills. Halliday, Short and Corlett all went past the 50 cap mark. Anderson's tally is now 81, only six behind O. D. Colhoun's record number.

One very pleasant feature worth recording is that eight of the 17 players of 1983 were between the ages of 19 and 24, five of them 22 years of age or under. However, only one of them, Peter O'Reilly, could be described as a front line bowler and he has chosen to make his way in the professional game.

When reading this report at the Irish Cricket Union's Annual General Meeting there followed, at this point, a detailed description of matches played in 1983. All of these are contained in articles elsewhere in this Yearbook. To duplicate here would merely waste valuable space.

Four International players died in 1983. In March Frank Connell (Civil Service and Leinster) died in Dublin, aged 81. he played 11 times in the 1930s scoring 350 runs, average 16.66. In Leinster Senior Cricket he scored 18 centuries, six more than anyone else. He was a former Secretary of the Leinster Union. In September W. F. Aylward (Pembroke) died five days after his 79th birthday. In 1930 he played once for Ireland scoring 18 runs in his two innings. On October 16th Archie McQuilken of Muckamore was killed in a road accident in Belfast, a few weeks past his 50th birthday. He won nine caps between 1961 and 1967 and probably should have played a good deal more although he was never on a winning team. he scored 286 runs at 19.06 and took 15 wickets at 26.13. Archie was also an amateur soccer International.

Two weeks later Derry Gill died in Dublin, aged 64, after a long illness. He played for Y.M.C.A. and seven times for Ireland, 1947-1951. He scored 127 runs, average 11.54 and took four wickets. All seven matches in which he played were drawn.

Taking the Schweppes Cup into account 77 matches were played under Irish Cricket Union auspices in 1983. Many people, in different spheres, make it all possible. It begins with the Irish Cricket Union Committee and extends to Selectors, Managers, Sponsors, Club Committees and ladies catering Committees, Umpires, Scorers and the Media. To all of these our thanks for keeping the flag of cricket flying.

Every year provides some excitement or innovation. 1984 will be no different. We will welcome, sponsored by Rothmans, the West Indies and a visit from the English Schools, the latter for their first match in Ireland. Assisted by Aer Lingus the Nat. West match is at The Oval -v- Surrey, where we have played twice in the last seven years. Malahide will be a new International venue when Wales play there in July, and

the Under 15 Tournament will find a new location within Northern Cricket Union. An indoor school is being contemplated by the Leinster Cricket Union. Best of all, perhaps, is a tour to the Birmingham area by our Under 23 team for five days cricket in August.

As usual there was much coaching activity under Noel Mahony's benign guidance. The highlight was surely the first visit to Ireland in the Autumn by Keith Andrew, N.C.A.'s Director of Coaching.

Five very distinguished officials say their good-byes to Union activity to-day, three of them International players.

Gerry Duffy and Tom McCloy, both Selectors since 1978 are retiring. Tom also served as a Northern Cricket Union delegate for four years from 1978. Ken Kirkpatrick has been Joint Honorary Treasurer since 1976 and to-day hands over to Dessie McCall. Ken also did a six year stint as Selector from 1975. Kevin O'Riordan was a Selector from 1977 to 1981, a delegate from Leinster Cricket Union in 1978-1979 and took on the team management from 1978 to date. With a mixture of benign philosophy and worldly practicality Kevin considerably lifted and enhanced the job of Irish team manager.

Alex Dunlop's contact with the Union goes back to 1957 in which year he became Joint Honorary Treasurer, an office he held until 1965. He rejoined the Committee in 1974 as a Leinster Delegate. In 1976 he became President Elect and his year of Presidency was 1977. He dropped out for a year in 1979 and then became a Leinster Delegate once again in 1980. The absence of these five will make the cricket circuit a little duller in 1985.

Joe Caprani has laid down his Presidential office. As an International player and coach he had no problem carrying out his duties in splendid manner. He travelled as much as any previous President and sang more songs than all previous incumbents put together. In his place we welcome Dixon Rose. A hockey international he is also President elect of the Hockey Union — a unique double. Dixon was a Selector from 1971 to 1974 and has been a delegate since 1978 so he is well versed in Union affairs.

Finally my personal thanks to all with whom I had contact during Irish Cricket Union business in 1983. They were kind, stimulating and very diplomatic at overlooking secretarial errors.

January 1984

Derek Scott

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J. B. Hobbs's 12 centuries is easily the best for England -v- Australia. This is followed by Hammond with nine, Sutcliffe, eight and J. H. Edrich and M. Leyland have seven each.

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GUINNESS CUP, 1983

Ulster Town's third win in four years

Ulster Town moved smoothly and efficiently to their fourth Guinness Cup and their third in four years. Since mid-1979 Ulster Town have played 21 matches without defeat, winning 15 of them. In 1983 they emulated the feat of Ulster Country in both 1975 and 1979 by winning all five matches. Parkhill took over the Ulster Town captaincy from Corlett. He won three tosses and batted first once.

The regulations for the Cup changed for last season, there being now no drawn matches. This made little difference to Ulster Town who averaged 37.57 runs per wicket and only lost 21 wickets in their four matches. Warke scored a century -v- North Leinster and got 234 runs in all. He, Wills, Johnston and Corlett all averaged 48 or more. Corlett's 90 -v- Ulster Country was crucial in a chase to score 206 to win.

45 wickets fell to Ulster Town's bowlers. Corlett took 28 of these at 11.14 each to break Monteith's old record of 21 wickets in a season. 13 wickets fell to Haire, leaving very little for any other bowler.

Ulster Country lost twice but finished second. One defeat was difficult to explain on paper. South Leinster, batting second, scored 195 for nine in reply to 216 for 7 but yet won the match. This was because rain restricted the match and a run rate system came into operation. The win was achieved by the last pair off the very last ball. Monteith's 18 wickets carried his tally to 209, the first to pass the 200 mark. It was good to see Patterson making a quite successful bowling comeback and Goodrich was a century maker -v- Munster.

The two Leinster teams had an "in-and-out" season with North Leinster unfortunate to have two matches abandoned due to rain. The Derby between the two was a personal triumph for Masood who made a record score of 196* in North Leinster's successful search for 283 runs to win. The bowling of both these teams was mediocre.

Ulster Country pushed the record team total over the 300 mark by scoring 313 for eight in Cork.

Ashmore distinguished himself for Munster by making 52 on debut. Munster had a splendid win over North-West in their last match. Boosted by 85 from Mathews they reached 218 for six to win.

North-West had one win over South Leinster and by the season's end had settled on a youth policy which will mature in time. Moan, in his 60th match for North-West, became the first player to reach the 1,000 runs — 100 wickets double for any team in the Competition. The chase for 2,000 runs is now close to finality with B. A. O'Brien at 1,960 and Anderson at 1,951.

Masood swept to the top of the Competition's batting averages. In seven innings he has scored 563 runs, average 140.75 with three centuries and a fifty.

Among the younger players the following did well in this Cup: *Batting*: S. J. S. Warke (Ulster Town); R. Burton, D. and R. Dennison and J. W. Kirkwood (Ulster Country); J. Garth and D. A. Lewis (South Leinster); J. A. Prior (North Leinster) and K. Finlay (North-West). Of bowlers there were, alas, fewer:- R. Haire (Ulster Town); J. Patterson (Ulster Country) and A. Jeffrey (North-West).

RESULTS

May 29 at Muckmore — Ulster Country won by nine wickets. North-West, 117 (R. Collins 35*, J. D. Monteith 5-31). Ulster Country 120-1 (R. Burton 66*; D. Dennison 46).

May 29 at Ormeau — Ulster Town won by 29 runs. Ulster Town, 211-9 (R. I. Johnston 82, S. J. S. Warke 75, G. Delany 4-58); South Leinster 182-9 (B. A. O'Brien 59, S. C. Corlett 6-73).

June 5 at Cork — Munster -v- North Leinster. No play (rain).

June 19 at Kimmage — South Leinster won by six wickets. Munster 175 (M. Ashmore 52, J. Keogh 4-39, C. W. Davis 3-38, G. Delany 3-46). South Leinster 176-4 (B. Buttimer 72, D. O. Tipping 44).

June 19 at Malahide — Ulster Town won by 10 wickets. North Leinster 135 (M. A. Masood 31, S. C. Corlett 7-50, R. Haire 3-48). Ulster Town 141-0 (S. J. S. Warke 106*).

July 3 at Eglinton — Ulster Town won by nine wickets. North-West 115 (R. Moan 28, R. Haire 6-26, S. C. Corlett 4-58). Ulster Town 117-1 (R. T. Wills 68*, C. C. J. Harte 36*).

July 10 at Cork — Ulster Country won by 238 runs. Ulster Country 313-8 (A. Goodrich 101, D. Dennison 57, R. Burton 57, R. Dennison 51, K. D. O'Herlihy 3-122). Munster 75-9 (K. D. O'Herlihy 15*, J. Patterson 5-28, H. Cook 4-36).

July 12 at Woodvale — Ulster Town won by two wickets. Ulster Country 205-7 (J. W. Kirkwood 64, R. McCollum 44, S. C. Corlett 4-82). Ulster Town 209-8 (S. C. Corlett 90, S. J. S. Warke 36, G. McKenzie 35, J. D. Monteith 5-70).

July 17 at College Park — North Leinster -v- North-West. No play (rain).

July 31 at Park Avenue — South Leinster won by one wicket on better Run Rate. Ulster Country 216-7 (I. J. Anderson 58, R. McCollum 44, S. D. Molins 4-71). South Leinster 195-9 (J. F. Short 47, C. W. Davies 38*, J. D. Monteith 3-52, H. Cook 3-62).

July 31 at Comber — Ulster Town won by eight wickets. Munster 109-9 (D. Kirby 24, S. C. Corlett 7-49). Ulster Town 111-3 (R. T. Wills 64*).

August 6 at Cork — Munster won by four wickets. North-West 217 (C. Jeffrey 70, R. Moan 61, K. Finlay 43, M. Sheehan 6-52, R. Wilson 3-29). Munster 218-6 (J. Mathews 85, M. Ashmore 35, A. Jeffrey 3-39).

August 7 at Rathmines — North Leinster won by six wickets. South Leinster 282-4 (J. F. Short 65, D. A. Lewis 64, S. D. Molins 44). North Leinster 286-4 (M. A. Masood 196*).

August 28 at Strabane — North-West won by two wickets. South Leinster 187 (F. Kelleher 46*, J. F. Short 35, C. Forsythe 6-59, A. Jeffrey 3-47). North-West 191-8 (W. Henderson 53, Junior McBrine 31*, J. Keogh 3-43, J. Garth 3-47).

August 28 at Portadown — Ulster Country won by 42 Runs. Ulster Country 180-7 (J. W. Kirkwood 60, R. Monteith 49, A. J. Hughes 4-35). North Leinster 138 (J. A. Prior 37, J. D. Monteith 5-36).

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WARINGSTOWN PROVE A POINT

Waringstown felt themselves unable to compete in the inaugural year of the Schweppe's Cup in 1982. This was a great disappointment as, day in day out, they are the best club team in Ireland. All was put right in 1983. They entered and won. Along the way there were a few tremors. The draw was not kind to them, sending them to Dublin for three successive matches. They won the Cup because of their depth of ability, their fighting spirit and their tactical acumen.

Due to Waringstown's entry and an additional club in the Leinster Senior League (The Hills) there were 34 entries in 1983, two more than in 1982 and necessitated an extra round of two matches to reduce 34 teams to 32.

In the Northern Union Saintfield replaced the demoted Bangor and for similar reasons North Fermanagh replaced Bready in the North West. In Munster, Limerick, 1982 Cup Winners replaced Waterford.

First Round (home team first): C.Y.M. lost to Downpatrick and Phoenix beat Brigade.

It was a shame that two such good teams as Phoenix and Brigade had to meet so early. The match was reduced to 40 overs each but Brigade had only used 37 when they lost by 22 runs.

Second Round (home team first): Railway Union beat Cork County; St. Johnston beat Clontarf; North Fermanagh beat Pembroke; Ballymena lost to Y.M.C.A.; Coleraine lost to Woodvale; N.I.C.C. beat Carlisle; Eglinton lost to Donacloney; Lisburn beat Malahide; Merrion beat Lurgan; The Hills beat North Down; Limavady lost to Phoenix; Leinster lost to Waringstown; Sion Mills beat Downpatrick; Saintfield lost to Old Belvedere; Donemana beat Creevedonnell; Strabane beat Limerick.

What should have been "the feature match" (Leinster -v- Waringstown) saw the visitors win rather easily. Garfield Harrison, who would return to Rathmines within three weeks for his Irish debut, had a fine all round match but Michael Reith's four for seven won the individual award.

Woodvale went to Coleraine for the second successive year and repeated their 1980 win with Stephen Warke making 119 not out. Y.M.C.A. had an unexpected success at Ballymena where the youthful Alan Lewis made 70, Y.M.C.A. were pleased as they had ceded home advantage.

The Hills won at their first attempt as did North Fermanagh. Pembroke travelled to the latter and scored 245 for 3 (C. M.

Kuggeleijn 169, a record score). Then the rains came and Pembroke lost the "shoot out"!

Sion Mills repeated a 1982 win over Downpatrick. The first efforts of Saintfield and Limerick ended in failure. Phoenix had a fright at Limavady before surviving by only two wickets. Six teams won away from home in the 16 ties.

Third Round (*home teams first*): Railway Union lost to St. Johnston; North Fermanagh beat Y.M.C.A.; Woodvale lost to N.I.C.C.; Donacloney beat Lisburn; Merrion lost to The Hills; Phoenix lost to Waringstown; Sion Mills beat Old Belvedere; Donemana beat Strabane.

Of the eight matches only four were inter-Union affairs. Four of the five Northern Cricket Union teams found themselves in the same quarter of the draw. Not alone had they to play each other but the winners had to meet in the next round. The remaining Northern Cricket Union team, Waringstown, came to Phoenix for the match of the round. The visitors chased 208 and won by five wickets with four overs to spare. R. Dennison made a century while his brother, David, had blown away the Phoenix middle order with a hat trick. The Hills won at Merrion and became the only Leinster Cricket Union side in the last eight.

Mark Harper, Sion Mills's professional, was too good for Old Belvedere on whom they inflicted a 10 wicket defeat.

Fourth Round (*home teams first*): St. Johnston beat North Fermanagh; The Hills lost to Waringstown; N.I.C.C. beat Donacloney; Sion Mills lost to Donemana.

Only one inter-Union match in this round and it was the best contest of the four. For the third successive round Waringstown travelled to Dublin to play The Hills on their artificial wicket. The home team made a rousing 197, the last pair making 27 of these. The combined if varied skills of Roy and Garfield Harrison won the match by eight wickets but it was closer than the result indicated.

Semi-Finals: N.I.C.C. beat St. Johnston (home) and Waringstown (home) beat Donemana.

Both matches were North -v- North-West and the two Northern Cricket Union teams had rather easy wins. The match at St. Johnston was the better of the two. N.I.C.C. had to get 178 to win and lost three wickets for 74 before Crooks and Corlett added 104 to win by seven wickets.

Final: At Ormeau, Belfast on Saturday, September 3rd. Waringstown 190 for 8; N.I.C.C. 118.

After an awful night of rain it was luck which allowed the final to be played to its full quota of 50 overs. The draw had kept these two fine teams apart and, as expected, they had won through to contest the final.

North bowled first and used Heaney and Parkhill (10 overs for five runs!) to open the bowling. Waringstown reeled at 31 for 4 with Corlett

just beginning his spell. Deryck Harrison and Michael Reith then added 133 in 87 minutes and the crisis was over. Chances were missed and Corlett was not bowled out for his 10 overs in one spell. The might have been

North never looked as if they had the batting power to reach 191. So it proved. There were three run outs and Anderson collected four wickets. North, the reigning champions, had lost a match which had swung back and forth in the best traditions of a Cup Final.

Joe Caprani, Irish Cricket Union's President, gave Deryck Harrison the Man-of-the-Match Award for his innings of 60 in the crisis. Throughout the competition Waringstown showed their skill in adversity and proved themselves to be Ireland's finest club team.

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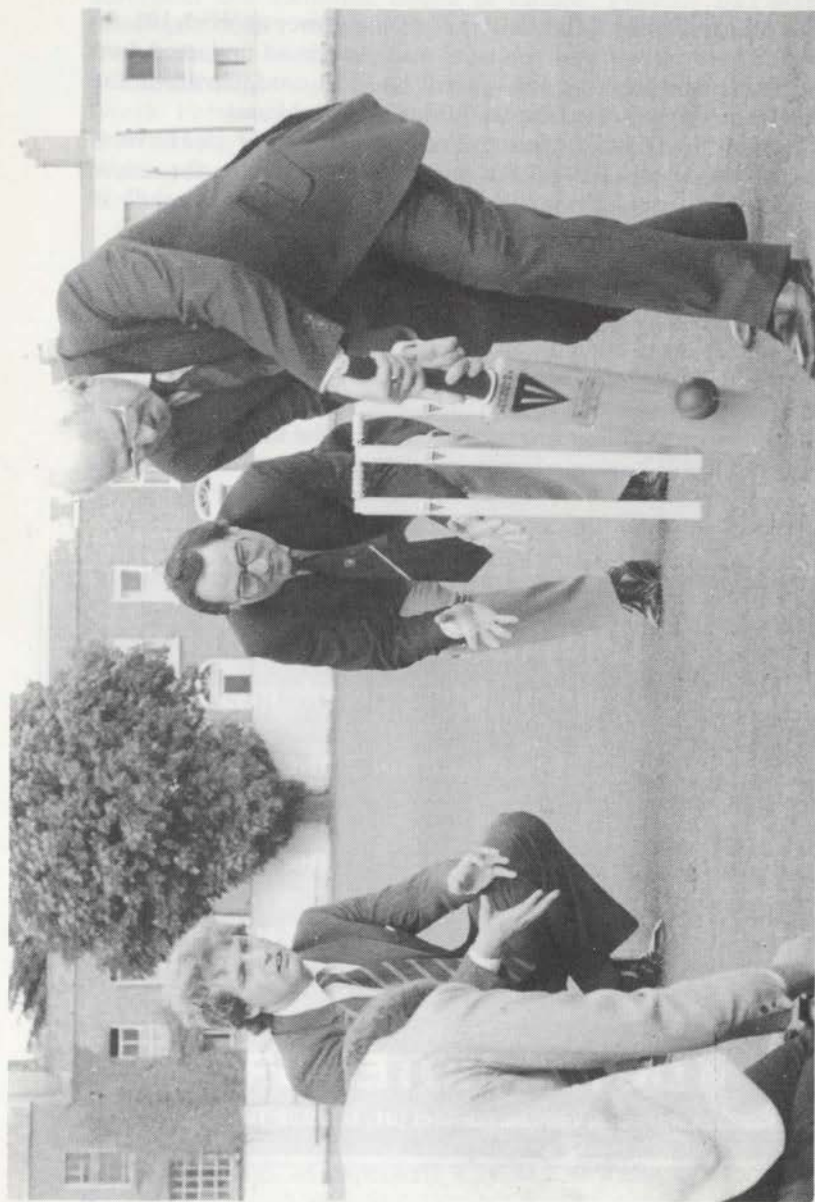
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The grip and the sharp eye that produced 11,000 runs in his career. Joe Caprani, President of the I.C.U. pictured at Rathmines before the Rothman's reception held in connection with Ireland's matches against Worcestershire in June 1983, which were sponsored by Rothmans. The close field comprises (from left) Paddy Rossi and Bill Morrison (both from Rothmans) and John Cunningham, President, Leinster C.C.

“THE DEAR DEPARTED . . .”

by Sean Pender

If for some bizzare reason or other I were asked to pick from among last season's group of men who so well served the Irish Cricket Union at legislative level two personalities most likely to make a living as a professional comic team I would unhesitatingly plunge for Joe Caprani and Kevin O'Riordan.

The first named is a superb song-and-dance artist who could have made a fortune in vaudeville, the other a rich conversationalist whose droll wit and keen observation defuses many an awkward situation.

How to categorise them as a pair is not so easy: Little and Large, the Two Ronnies, Mel and Griff, Rowan and Martin? They don't quite fill any of these bills. But I'm convinced there must be a music hall niche for them somewhere or other — a cult following. Arguably the old Capitol or Theatre Royal would best have suited their lavish brand of entertainment.

Of Caprani it can truly be said that he sings West Indies Calypso better than the West Indians themselves. Those who have not yet heard this animated rendering of the Banana Boat Song and his truly operatic De-O! have a delicious treat in store; for those lucky to have already enjoyed him in inimitable action, the pleasure actually increases with each subsequent performance.

The intimate by-play with the audience, the exuberant gestures, the exhortations to join in the act — the most professional professional could not get it all across more skilfully or time it more subtly.

You could listen to Joe forever, watch him put his show together cricket dinner after cricket dinner; always be entertained. Pure pantomime indeed. Coming from the ICU President himself!

That Joe Caprani missed out on his true vocation, I am convinced. Had he done a Larry Parkes shoe-shine on himself and taken to the music halls, we might well have had an Irish rival to Harry Belafonte.

Timing indeed is the most important ingredient of a song-and-dance routine. With Joe it is inherent in his very make-up, coming naturally to him.

So also with Kevin O'Riordan. He manipulates difficult players, nagging officials and pushing pressmen. As a funnyman working on troublesome audience, his timing is impeccable. And the comic remark is never very far away to take any sting out of the situation. He has an engaging answer for everything.

O'Riordan has been manager of the Irish team, not in itself as powerful a job as in soccer, but the perfect position for building a base

of influence and loyalty from players and officials from whom combined pressure can be exerted to have things done and changes implemented. This the Belvedere man most certainly did, primarily in regard to achieving needed improvements in conditions and travel arrangements for Irish teams.

Both Joe and Kevin have, however, now stepped down from ICU posts they graced so majestically. There is absolutely no truth in the rumour that they have been signed for a belated stage career by some shrewd entrepreneur, Pat Dineen and Des Cashell being among several names bandied about in this regard.

Nor does the current loss to the ICU end there. Alex Dunlop, Ken Kirkpatrick, Tom McCloy and Gerry Duffy, highly valued members of the administrative hierarchy for varying numbers of years — all of them not without a keen sense of humour also — have followed Caprani and O'Riordan into retirement from international affairs.

Alex Dunlop has made a special contribution to Irish cricket. No one has worked as conscientiously or as constructively for the good of the game over the past three decades. His top involvement with the Irish Cricket Union stretches back to 1957 when he assumed the post of honorary treasurer and his wise management of ICU finances covered nine bountiful years.

Subsequently, he threw much of his considerable energy into liaising with Noel Mahony on the establishment of coaching on an organised basis in this country. Serving as a Leinster delegate to the parent body for the past ten years — he was ICU President in 1977 — he shaped more than a little of the strategy that has Irish cricket now in such a strong and stable condition.

Gerry Duffy, the joker in the party, the perennial ball-hopper; Ken Kirkpatrick, whose supreme fitness was always a source of playful leg-pulling with those of the international team itself allegedly less agile in stooping down to retrieve balls; and gentleman Tom McCloy, whose sense of fun and enjoyment was no less acute but whose barbs were delivered with a softer touch — and always with compassion.

That trio in their different ways also helped to lighten dark days, to raise spirits and lift morale when things were not going smoothly. Particularly on tours, team tensions can run high, personalities can clash, moods can be volatile. Overall performances on the field suffer.

So it is essential to have some light relief to keep the party in the proper frame of mind. On coach journeys from ground to ground from city to city, during the waiting hours in hotels, the banter is healthy and non-stop, the ribbing unceasing. Nobody, but nobody, escapes.

During a crisis at Roehampton last summer, when Ireland, nervously following on after making only 49 in the first innings, were 19 for four and the morning dew still on the wicket and lunch looking likely to be the final act in what had been an unrelieved tragedy, O'Riordan inquired of the esteemed secretary would there be any hope of the chartered coach coming a few hours earlier than scheduled

so that an afternoon's entertainment in Soho might be partaken of before catching the evening flight to Dublin. We all laughed.

"We do have our serious moments, though, don't we?" O'Riordan followed up as one of the surviving batsmen made a terrible hash of an intended defensive stroke. "Do we?" responded Tom McCloy, as sharp as the bowling that had put Ireland in all sorts of trouble on a seamers wicket.

Can any sporting association afford — even survive — the simultaneous loss of men of this calibre? The ICU will carry on as ever, but one feels that a lot of the laughter and camaraderie of the past few summers will be sadly missing. And the whole scene will be the poorer for it.

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M. S. Reith is the last batsman to score a half-centure on finale. 59 -v- Scotland at Coatbridge in 1980.

It is 23 years since an Irish bowler took five wickets in an innings on debut. Given Lyness, in 1961 at College Park took six for 39 in M.C.C.'s 2nd innings (two for 51 in 1st).

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NORTHERN CRICKET UNION 1983

by Murray Power

The sun shone. Waringstown won the Cup. The Ulster Schools defeated the Leinster Schools. The restoration of these familiar certainties made 1983 a reassuring season in many ways.

Downpatrick too had a memorable season, winning the Benson and Hedges League by an emphatic margin and staging a highly successful international against Scotland as well as the best-attended and highest-scoring Cup Final for many years. Their success on the field owed much to their professional, the delightfully named Kamal Merchant. A lively medium-pace bowler, his accuracy and command of movement were of an order seldom seen in Ireland. Bowling unchanged in most matches, he sent down almost 450 overs, conceding under 750 runs for his 82 wickets. He also scored over 400 runs and so cannot have been left much time for selling humpy quadrupeds. Although by no means a one-man team — the all-round talents of Jim Patterson and the bowling of Geoffrey Ferguson were also well to the fore — it was Merchant's bowling which won Downpatrick the League. Whether anything similar will occur in 1984, when bowlers will be limited to 15 overs an innings, remains to be seen.

I shall, I fear, be in trouble with the Harrisons unless I turn to Waringstown soon. Disdaining hired outsiders — like Yorkshire without the strife — the villagers proved again their prowess at knock-out cricket by taking the Schweppes and John Player Cups in style despite tough draws in both competitions. In the latter they disposed of Woodvale, Lisburn, the R.U.C. and North of Ireland before meeting their near neighbours and intense rivals Lurgan in a final blessed with brilliant sunshine and the fastest pitch seen since the match moved to Downpatrick ten years ago. A couple of early wickets set the scene for David Dennison and Ivan Anderson to put on 200 at a hectic pace — a stand which, in retrospect, settled the match. Dennison's innings was a gem. On the ground where he had won his first Irish cap three weeks earlier, he placed and timed his shots superbly, missing a century before lunch by a whisker. Finally dismissed for 137, he had seen Waringstown well on the way to their total of 303 and was a popular choice as Man of the Match. To equal all this Lurgan needed great things from their batsmen, especially their Indian duo Rahul Mankad — over 1,000 runs in league and cup again in 1983 — and his acolyte Rohan Shah. Neither let them down, Mankad making a determined 80 in the first innings and Shah a fine century in the second, but the support did not materialise and Waringstown's legendary tight bowling and fielding saw them home by 92 runs.

Simon Corlett's herculean efforts almost won North of Ireland a share of the silverware. Only Merchant bowled more overs, and Simon topped his 82 wickets at 10 runs apiece with a series of memorable innings which yielded almost 500 runs at an average of 45. As with Lurgan, it was probably only the lack of consistent support which saw them fall short. Lisburn also had a good but unrewarded season, Richard Burton topping the batting averages with 600 runs at 60, Roger Monteith following not far behind, brother Dermott taking 50 wickets (and an Oscar from the Umpires' Association) and John Solanky as ever among the top all-rounders.

Ballymena had a fine run during the earlier part of the season, challenging the leaders mainly through the prolific batting of professional Abi Satham, Adrian Goodrich and Philip Carson before falling away in July and August. Donacloney had yet another almost unpronounceable Eastern professional — Raja Bhalakar — whose exploits kept them away from the relegation zone. This unhappy territory was occupied for most of the season by Woodvale, despite another productive year for Stephen Warke, North Down captained by 21-year-old Robin Haire, and newly-promoted Saintfield. Predictably the yo-yo pattern repeated itself and it was the newcomers who found themselves stranded, despite frequent hints that half the Hampshire team would be flying in to help them. They will, as usual, be replaced in Section I by their immediate predecessors, Bangor, who won Section II under the shrewd captaincy of John Elder. A major contributor to their success was one of Ireland's most promising schoolboy batsmen — Michael Rea — whose achievements at all levels won him the J. C. Picken Memorial Award for the N.C.U. Young Cricketer of the Year.

Other happy young cricketers included those of Queen's University, who won promotion to Section II after eight years in the obscurity of the lower league. This was a widely popular success, Ulster cricket as a whole standing to gain in the long term from a strong University side.

BENSON & HEDGES LEAGUE

(First Division, Section 1)

	Played	Won	Lost	Points
Downpatrick	18	16	2	64
North of Ireland	16	12	4	48
Lisburn	16	11	5	44
Lurgan	18	9	9	36
Ballymena	15	8	7	32
Donacloney	18	8	10	32
Waringstown	16	8	8	32
Woodvale	17	6	11	24
North Down	18	5	13	20
Saintfield	18	2	16	8



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MUNSTER CRICKET, 1983

by Ronnie McDowell

Because of the somewhat precarious financial situation of the Union it was decided not to acquire a cricket professional for the province as in 1982 and thus Munster were not in a position to avail of the previous season's special concession granted by the Irish Cricket Union for him to play in the Guinness Cup. The factor and the competition rule changes for 1983 were manifested in some of the results for 1983 when some heavy defeats were received in three of the four matches played. However the season ended on a high note when, for the third time running, Munster beat the North-West in The Mardyke thanks mainly to a fighting knock of 80 odd by Johnny Mathews. Whilst it is probably wishful thinking to expect that Munster, traditionally the weakest province, will become a force in the competition it is to be hoped that with proper preparation improvements can be built upon in the future.

The Under 19 side disappointed greatly in only winning one of their matches and a week Under 15 team were whitewashed in the national competition.

On the domestic scene Wanderers won the Senior League and Bank of Ireland Shield for 1983 thanks primarily to some excellent batting and bowling by Paddy Tynan and Derek Ryan respectively. Church of Ireland just got the better of Harlequins to win the Senior Cup, after a very tense final, by one wicket. John Wolfe performed with credit having been selected on the Irish Under 19 side in Holland.

The Union, chiefly through the auspices of Ian Devine, have been continuing coaching award courses in Cork and Limerick. There has been a further upsurge in the numbers of youngsters playing the game in Cork probably because of the advent of multi-channel television and the Union is devoted to trying to provide full coaching and playing facilities for them. Indoor nets continued throughout the winter in Ashton Comprehensive School for all grades of players.

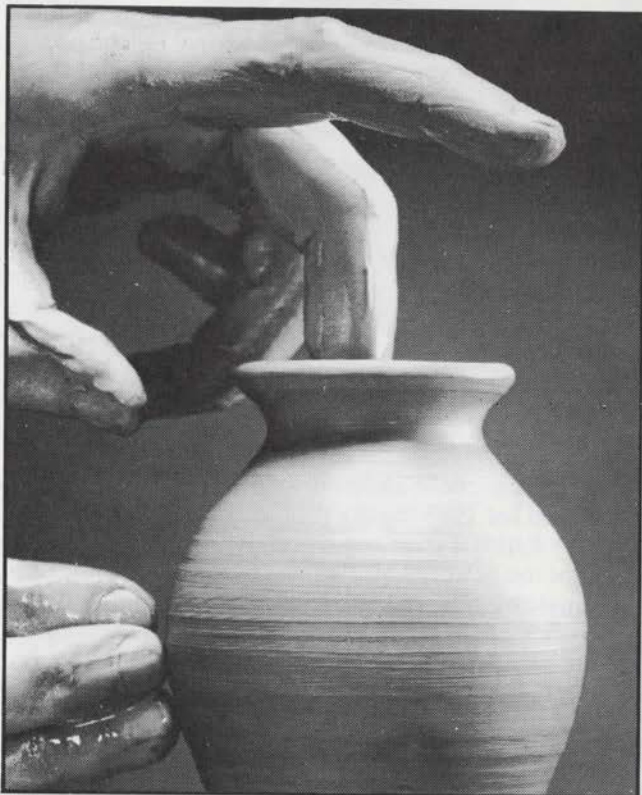
In conclusion, it is with pleasure that we welcome Bob Leslie to the Presidency of the Union. For long, he has been a bulwark of the game in a "non-cricket playing area", and it is largely due to his efforts that the game in Waterford is now on a solid footing.

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NORTH-WEST CRICKET 1983

by Joe Doherty

The North-West season had its most exciting climax for many years in the shape of a test match to decide the destination of the Senior League Championship Brigade, who had led the pack all season, faltered somewhat in August and allowed Donemana, who are traditionally strong finishers, to catch up and finish level on points.

The play-off was arranged for the Recreation Park, Strabane, on a murky day in September. Before a large crowd, Donemana batted first on a very slow wicket and were cruising at 80 for 3 when too many of their batsmen suffered "rushes of blood" and Ray Torrens helped himself to 7 wickets as the champions collapsed to 115 all out.

Brigade began disastrously in reply, losing Dean Simpson cheaply, but his fellow opener Colin Jeffrey steadied the ship and batted very confidently for a sound 55 not out and, with help from Ian Torrens and William Wilson, passed the winning post with seven wickets intact to send the Beechgrove champagne corks popping.

Elsewhere, the giant West Indian Mark Harper (Sion Mills) had stood head and shoulders above the rest, in every sense! The former Donacloney pro, whose younger brother Roger has now graduated to the Test side as a spinner, ran into a purple patch in June, scoring over 1400 runs in the month. Teams to suffer from his onslaught on bowlers included Creevedonnell (212 not out), Strabane (120 not out and 104), Old Belvedere (90 not out), Ardmore (148 and 65) and North Fermanagh (120).

His unbeaten century in the Cup semi-final at Strabane was a match-winning performance, surpassing Bobby Rae's 89 for the home team, and his 65 against Ardmore in the Final helped lay the foundation for a big Sion first innings total, the Tyrone villagers eventually winning by seven wickets (Manof-the-match: Raymond Moan).

1983 was also the year of the first umpire exchange exercise involving the North-West with officials from Leinster standing in Senior League fixtures at Strabane and Sion Mills while their North-West counterparts officiated in Dublin. This was a very welcome initiative by the umpiring fraternity and we look forward to repetition and further development.

North-West teams put up a reasonably good showing in the Schwepes Cup, Donemana and St. Johnston reaching the semi-finals. Hopefully the region will produce the winner of this excellent tournament soon — what price Brigade this year?

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LEINSTER CRICKET, 1983

by John Dawson

The 1983 season in Leinster like the rest of the country was a case of the first half being the rainy season and the second half being the sunny one. At one stage early on it looked like the new Belvedere Bond League would have difficulty producing finalists from the two sections for the final which was scheduled for July 2. However with a lot of goodwill between clubs when it came to refixing the vital games Phoenix and Pembroke emerged as the Winners of the respective sections and contested a first class final. Pembroke batting first scored 259 for 8 in their allotted 55 overs with Chris Kuggeleijn scoring 93 and Sandy Smith 37. Brian Freer, 4 for 77 was the most successful Phoenix bowler. When Phoenix batted the innings of Alf Masood was the dominant feature. He scored 150 which included two sixes and sixteen fours and led the way to a four wicket win. D. Pigot (44) featured in a first wicket stand of 144 with Masood and Chris Kuggeleijn with 3 for 88 in 23.1 overs completed a hard day's work for Pembroke.

The clubs met again in the semi-final of the Parliament/Sportsgear Cup and there was another tremendous day's cricket. Over 500 runs were scored for the first time in a limited overs' game. In this competition Pembroke won their way to the final where they met Leinster.

Pembroke, batting first, scored 265 in their 60 overs. Again Chris Kuggeleijn was the star with 124 runs including one six and 12 fours and he received good support from his skipper, Joe Byrne (42) and Gordon Mellon (30). John Wills with 4-51 in his 12 overs was Leinster's most successful bowler. Leinster's innings started drastically when they lost their three leading batsmen with only 9 runs on the board. They never recovered from this and were all out for 147 leaving Pembroke victorious.

The Wiggins-Teape League was dominated by Phoenix who went through their complete programme without losing a game and thus won their second League Title of the season with Old Belvedere filling the runners up spot. The Alan Murray 20 overs mid-week Cup was won by Pembroke and thus completed the domination of the Senior competitions by themselves and Phoenix. The individual awards were won by A. Masood, batting, with an average of 76.12; G. Kirwan (:Clontarf) bowling, with an average of 8.26 runs/Wickets; C. Kuggeleijn was best all-rounder and Fergus Carroll won the Hopkins Cup as the most successful wicket-keeper.

In the Schweppes All Ireland Cup The Hills, who were competing at

Senior level for the first time were our most successful club in reaching the quarter final where they lost to the eventual winners, Waringstown.

Off the field there was also plenty of activity in 1983. Our coaches were active in the various clubs and we also had our usual Easter Coaching course for schoolboys and schoolgirls. We ran an N.C.A. club coach award course which produced eleven successful candidates including the first lady candidate successful at this level. Our congratulations are extended to all the successful candidates, but particularly to Louise Murray and Mary Hackett. The highlight of the year in coaching was the visit of Keith Andrew and Doug Ferguson in September. Keith, who is N.C.A. Director of Coaching, was paying his first visit to Ireland and was very satisfied with the enthusiasm of the seventy plus people who attended the coaching seminar and the commitment of our advanced coaches to the new N.C.A. coaching scheme. Noel Mahony retired as Leinster Director of coaching in September after years of hard work appreciated by all. Vincent Savino is the newly appointed man in our Union. Our grounds committee, under the chairmanship of Stan Oakes, is ever active and offering advice to clubs on ground improvements. Congratulations are extended to Malahide C.C. whose hard work in improving their ground and pavilion in recent years is rewarded with the allocation of the International match -v- Wales in the 1984 season.

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FINAL LEAGUE TABLES 1983

BELVEDERE BOND SENIOR LEAGUE

Section "A"	Played	Won (12)	Draw (4)	Draw (3)	Draw (2)	Lost	Bonus Points	Total Points
Pembroke	(7) 6	5	1	-	-	-	30	94
Clontarf	(3) 6	5	-	-	-	1	27	87
Malahide	(2) 6	3	1	-	-	2	22	62
The Hills	(-) 6	1	1	-	1	3	16	34
Y. M. C. A.	(8) 6	1	-	1+	-	4	19	34
Merrion	(11) 6	-	-	2+	2	2	23	33
Dublin University	(10) 6	1	-	1	-	4	15	30

SECTION "B"

Phoenix	(6) 5	4	1	-	-	-	20	92
Leinster	(1) 5	3	-	-	-	2	18	54
Old Belvedere	(4) 5	2	1	-	-	2	18	46
Carlisle	(9) 5	1	-	-	3	1	18	36
Railway Union	(5) 5	1	1	-	-	3	15	31
C. Y. M.	(12) 5	-	1	-	1	3	11	17

+ = 3 pts each for equal Overs Bowled. Other 3 pts. Draw was rain affected.
 Phoenix (£500) beat Pembroke (£250) in League Final. 55 Overs each.
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THE WIGGINS TEAPE LEAGUE

	Played	Won (10)	Tied (5)	No Result (2)	Lost	Points	Prize
Phoenix	(5) 11	10	-	1	-	102	£500
Old Belvedere	(1) 11	7	1	1	2	77	£350
Clontarf	(3) 11	7	-	1	3	72	£250
C. Y. M.	(4) 11	7	-	-	4	70	£150
Pembroke	(8) 11	7	-	-	4	70	£150
Malahide	(1) 11	6	1	-	4	65	£100
Y. M. C. A.	(7) 11	5	-	-	6	50	-
Leinster	(10) 11	4	-	1	6	42	-
Merrion	(11) 11	3	1	-	7	35	-
The Hills	(-) 11	3	-	-	8	30	-
Carlisle	(9) 11	2	-	-	9	20	-
Railway Union	(5) 11	1	1	-	9	15	-

Figures in brackets denote final positions in 1982.

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Irish Party

Players: A. Lewis (Capt.), R. Dennison (Vice-Capt.), K. Boucher, M. Bruce, J. Garth, A. McClean, R. McCollum, C. McCrum, S. O'Gorman, M. Rea, M. Shannon, D. Vincent, J. Wolfe.

Managers: M. Boyce, T. McGeady.

The 5th International Youth Tournament was hosted by the Dutch Cricket Association at The Hague. Seven teams took part — Bermuda, Canada, Holland, Denmark, England North, England South and Ireland. The games were of one innings of a maximum of 50 overs per team, with a restriction of 10 overs per bowler. The games were played on artificial wickets at three cricket clubs in The Hague. The tournament was won by Denmark who defeated Holland in the final.

The tournament was excellently organised and run by our hosts and a special word of thanks is due to the tournament director, J. O. Walts, who was always on hand to smooth out any problems which arose. No effort was spared by our hosts, who housed the teams in a first class hotel where the accommodation and food were of the highest quality. Three barbecues were held in the evenings after matches and a formal dinner was held on the final night of the tournament, at which prizes were presented and gifts exchanged.

The Irish team, once again, had a good tournament, coming third after a bad start. The first two games were lost and in the second, A. McClean, one of our opening bowlers, was injured and took no further part in the tournament. However, in spite of these setbacks, the team showed true character and determination in winning and the remaining four games including a comprehensive win over the tournament winners, Holland. Each member of the team, by their endeavour and effort, contributed to this recovery and a special word is due to the captain, A. Lewis, for motivating the players and keeping the team spirit high after the initial setbacks. The overall balances of the team was affected by the injury to McClean which put an undue strain on our remaining bowlers, who found themselves after a heavy domestic programme, having to bowl six days in a row. They all deserve the highest praise for sticking to their task. The batting, as a unit, did not fulfill the expectation one had of it and we were saved



In Denmark for the Under 19 Tournament. D. A. Lewis (Capt); J. Boyce (Joint Manager); R. McCollum; J. Garth.

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from defeat on a number of occasions by outstanding individual performers.

The players, by their exemplary conduct on and off the field, proved to be excellent ambassadors of their country and their sport. The tournament continues to be an excellent training ground for our young cricketers and a number of the party may be expected to progress to the Senior-Irish XI in the near future.

MATCH REPORTS

**July 19. Denmark v Ireland at H.B.S. Denmark won by 3 wickets.
Ireland 180 Denmark 182 for 7**

Ireland, having been put in, got off to a good start and put on 88 before M. Rea (37) was out trying to force the pace. C. McCrum (50) soon followed. Yet, at lunch, Ireland seemed well placed at 120 for 2 with 18 overs remaining. Two wickets fell immediately after lunch and a short stand between R. McCollum and J. Garth took the score to 150 before Garth (18) was bowled. The Danish fast bowler Henriksen (4/25), who plays for senior Danish XL came back and wiped out the tail, McCollum (30*) being left without a partner with 4 overs remaining.

Ireland made an early breakthrough and had Denmark 32 for 2 but a good stand by J. Jensen (37) and Fron took the score to 101. Jansen (70) continued to bat well and took the score to 133 before being fifth out. Despite the best efforts of bowlers and fielders the Danish middle order kept up the required run rate and won in the last over with three wickets in hand. The match was lost due to the middle order batting collapse and the putting down of two catches at vital stages of the games.

**July 20. Ireland v England South at Quick. England won by 48 overs.
England N. 172 for 7 Ireland 124.**

England won the toss and batted and lost two early wickets for 8 runs. R. Mason (59) anchored the English innings and by lunch they had accumulated 100 for 5 of 38 overs. After lunch, they steadily increased the scoring rate and thanks to a good innings by P. Robinson (39*), they reached a total of 172 for 7. Ireland gave a poor batting performance in reply and only reached a total of 127 thanks to a first class innings of 61 by opening bat M. Rea, who unnecessarily gave up his wicket trying to force the pace. A. McClean got injured in this match while batting and took no further part in the tournament.

**July 21. Ireland v Holland at Quick. Ireland won by 9 wickets.
Holland 108 for 9 Ireland 111 for 1.**

Ireland lost the toss and took the field short a regular bowler and

knowing that they had to win to have any chance in the tournament. The team rose to the occasion magnificently and gave a first class bowling and fielding display bowling out Holland, who had won their three previous matches, for 108. All the bowlers performed well, especially K. Boucher who bowled 10 overs for 6 runs taking 2 wickets.

The Irish openers took the score to 58 before McCrum (29) was bowled. Rea (36*) and Dennison (35*) saw Ireland home by 9 wickets in the 28th over.

**July 22. Bermuda v Ireland at H.C.C. Ireland won by 3 wickets.
Bermuda 107 Ireland 108 for 7.**

This match was delayed due to a tear in the mat and played on a smaller reserve ground and reduced to 40 overs per side.

Bermuda won the toss and batted. Good bowling and fielding confined Bermuda to 107 all out. J. Garth (3 for 17) and K. Boucher (4 for 33) were the best of the bowlers. Ireland made a disastrous start and found themselves 45 for 6, but thanks to a magnificent fighting innings by R. McCollum (59) and an equally important uncharacteristic knock by J. Wolfe (10*) who held one end, the game was turned around in Ireland's favour. McCollum was caught on the boundary with victory in sight and it was left to Boucher to end the match with a 6.

**July 23. England North v Ireland at H.B.S. Ireland won by 6.
England 219 for 6 Ireland 223 for 4.**

England North won the toss and batted and made a steady start reaching 97 by lunch. After lunch, Shaw (52) and Smith (55*) plundered the Irish attack during which time the fielding and catching failed to take the pressure and England ended with 219 for 6. The poor performance in the field made the players more determined to make a match of it against Ireland. A poor start was made losing Rea at a total of 5 and Lewis at 30. However, McCrum and Dennison took the score to 74 when McCrum (38) was bowled. McCollum now joined Dennison and the pair gave a first class batting display putting on 140 for the 3rd wicket. Dennison showed all his class while McCollum rode his luck between some magnificent hits. McCollum (64) was finally out, caught on the boundary, with the score on 214 going for the winning hit. Dennison (84*) hit 8 fours and 2 sixes in a magnificent innings in which he never gave a chance.

**July 24. Ireland v Canada at H.C.C. Ireland won by 2 wickets.
Canada 169 for 6. Ireland 173 for 8.**

Ireland entered this match knowing they had to bowl Canada out for a low score and win by a wide margin to reach the final. The match was

delayed by rain with a reduction in the overs. Lewis at last won a toss and put Canada in. It was soon evident that six matches in six days was having its effect, especially on the bowlers, who with the exception of Shannon (2/20), were unable to contain the batsmen and Canada reached 169 for 6 off their 41 overs mainly due to Erwaroo (53*). Ireland made a poor start in reply with only Rea of the early batsmen getting his head down, the others got themselves out to poor shots. When Rea (31) fell trying to raise the run rate, Ireland were 72 for 6 and well behind on run rate. Wolfe (57*) after a shaky start, and having almost been decapitated by a bouncer, called for a helmet and took on the fast bowlers and proceeded to hit them all over the ground, much to the delight of the local spectators. During this period, he received excellent support from Vincent (25) and Bruce (10*) and saw Ireland home by two wickets with one over remaining. A match which appeared lost was won by a fighting individual performance, but Ireland lost out to Holland for a place in the final.

Batting Averages

Name	P.	I.	Runs	N.O.	H.S.	Ave.	Ctchs
R. McCollum	6	5	1611		64	40.25	2
R. Dennison	6	6	1592		84*	39.75	1
M. Rea	6	6	1661		61	33.201	
C. McCrum	6	6	148-		50	24.66	1
J. Wolfe	2	2	672		57*	-	-
D. Vincent	3	2	25-		25	12.50	2
J. Garth	6	5	391		18	9.75	2
A. Lewis	6	5	35-		12	7.00	10
M. Bruce	6	3	14-		10	4.66	3
K. Boucher	6	4	91		6*	3.00	2
M. Shannon	6	2	21		1*	2.00	3
S. O'Gorman	3	2	2-		2	1.00	2
A. McClean	2	2	0-		0*	-	-

Bowling Averages

Name	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
K. Boucher	53	10	179	12	14.91
M. Shannon	57	7	137	9	15.22
J. Garth	60	11	179	9	19.88
M. Bruce	51	7	189	8	23.62
A. McClean	16.5	2	47	1	47.00
A. Lewis	31.4	4	118	1	118.00
Also:					
M. Rea	4	0	19	2	9.50
C. McCrum	10	21	0	-	

NORTH LEINSTER WIN

“UNDER 19s”

The Under 19 competition for the first time since its introduction, was undertaken without sponsorship. The wisdom of the Irish Cricket Union in continuing this competition, despite its high cost, is fully justified by the continued good performance of the Irish Under 19 in the International Youth Tournament. The Under 19 competition is now of greater importance with the introduction of an Irish 23 XI.

The competition was closely contested this year again with North Leinster just winning from Ulster Town. A feature of the competition was four centuries all scored by Ulster Town players with G. Moore scoring two 103* 100, I. McCatchey 104* and M. Rea 100. Good performances were also achieved by C. McCrum (U.C.) 91 and A. Lewis (S.L.) 82. The outstanding bowler was W. Dwyer (N.L.) who took 15 wickets at a cost of 7.7 runs per wicket. M. Bruce (N.W.) also had a good tournament, 12 wickets at an average of 12.3.

Once again, thanks are due to all the clubs who generously made their grounds and facilities available for the running of the competition. The managers of the teams wish to express a special word of thanks to those club members who volunteered their cars and driving skills for away matches, without the assistance of these gentlemen, it would be impossible to run the competition.

Results 1983

July 6: At Mardyke South Leinster won by 86 runs. South Leinster 207/3 (A. Lewis 82, P. Meehan 77*). Munster 121 (K. Mockler 2-3).

July 7: At Mardyke North Leinster won by 3 wickets. Munster 96 (R. Barber 48, W. Dwyer 3-13). North Leinster 97/7 (N. Mills 23).

Aug. 1: At Lurgan Ulster Town won by 9 wickets. Ulster Country 214-7 (C. McCrum 44, R. Sturgeon 44). Ulster Town 218-1 (G. Moore 103* M. Rea 100).

Aug. 2: At Cabra match drawn. North Leinster 201/9 (P. O'Riordan 40, J. McGrath 35). Ulster Country 190/9 (A. Spence 81, S. Hutchinson 48, W. Dwyer 3/29).

Aug. 9: At Hills North Leinster won by 25 runs. North Leinster 195/7 (S. O'Gorman 67). South Leinster 168 (P. Meehan 48, G. Garth 40).

Aug. 9: At Shane Park Ulster Town won by 7 wickets. North West 219/7 (K. Finlay 63, D. Curry 43). Ulster Town 220/7 (I. McClatchey 59).

Aug. 10: At Phoenix North leinster won by 70 runse. North Leinster 208 (N. Mills 42, J. McGrath 41, G. Brolly 4/43). North West 138 (M. Kilgore 47, W. Dwyer 3/21).

Aug. 11: At Pembroke North West won by 4 wickets. South Leinster 220 (A. Lewis 67, P. Narty 45, M. Bruce 4/33). North West 221/6 (K. Finlay 55, D. Curry 50).

Aug. 16: At Anglesea Road Match abandoned. South leinster v Ulster Town.

Aug. 16: At Limavady North West won by 9 wickets. Munster 132 (K. Kerr 4/19). North West 133/1 (S. Browne 67*, K. Finlay 55*).

Aug. 17: At Muckamore Match drawn. Ulster Country 242/4 (A. Spence 73*, C. McCrum 38). Munster 64/5.

Aug. 18: At Coleraine North West won by 3 wickets. Ulster Country 113 (M. Bruce 4/35, J. Callaghan 3/34). North West 114/7 (K. Finley 50*, R. Shilliday 2/1).

Aug. 18: At Bangor Match drawn. Ulster Town 265/3 (I. McClatchey 104*, Moore 100). Munster 141/7.

Aug. 19: At Woodvale Match drawn. Ulster Town 238 (J. McCormick 42, G. Moore, 38, W. Dwyer 4/32). North Leinster 212/8 (S. O'Gorman 70, P. O'Riordan 48).

Aug. 19: At Downpatrick Match drawn. South Leinster 226/6 (J. Byrne 51, P. Narty 51, A. Dunlop 50). Ulster Country 213/9 (C. McCrum 91, A. Waite 44).

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UNDER 15 TOURNAMENT, 1983

“North-West become New Champions”

by John D. Ridgeway,

Unfortunately, due to inclement weather this year's competition was reduced to two days play and the draw was as follows: Leinster Cricket Union -v- Northern Cricket Union; Munster Cricket Union -v- North-West Cricket Union; the winners to meet the following day in the final.

Match Details: Ashley Butler did the damage in securing a very exciting 14 run win for Leinster by taking 3 for 27 in 10 overs. Leinster Cricket Union, 160 (C. Hoey 38; C. Kearney 36; L. Higgins 3-24). Northern Cricket Union, 146 (S. Harrison 49; G. Hunter 24 not out; A. Butler 3-27).

The North-West Cricket Union scored an emphatic win over a disappointing Munster Cricket Union side at Malahide and so qualified to meet Leinster Cricket Union in the final. Munster Cricket Union, 66 (R. Bryan 28; S. Gillespie 3-8). North West Cricket Union, 68 for 2 (C. Elder 40 not out; M. Gillespie 24 not out).

Thursday 18th August

North-West Cricket Union became the new king pins of all Ireland at Under 15 Interprovincial level when they ended the impressive four year reign enjoyed by Leinster Cricket Union, by a clear six wickets win. The Northern Cricket Union had a facile victory over Munster to decide the minor placings. Leinster Cricket Union, 117 (A. Butler 39; N. O'Riordan 30 not out; S. Beattie 3-14). North-West Cricket Union, 118 for 4 (S. Beattie 50 not out; M. Gillespie 23 not out; F. O'Mahony 2-18). Northern Cricket Union 194 for 9 (P. Lenehan 57; S. Harrison 28; P. Hayden 4-26). Munster Cricket Union, 69 (S. Gray 24; L. Higgins 2-10).

Awards

“Sports Gear” very kindly sponsored “Boy-of-the-Match” Awards for each game and the Irish Cricket Union presented a magnificent trophy for the “Boy-of-the-Series”, which was won by Stephen Beattie of the North West.

A special word of gratitude is due to the Lord's Taverners for their generous contribution towards the expenses of this very worthwhile tournament.

“25 AND ALL THAT”

Ireland -v- West Indies at Sion Mills, Wednesday, July 2nd, 1969

This 253rd match played by Ireland was surely the most extraordinary of all. In 25.5 overs the West Indies were bowled out for 25! West Indies were on a short tour to England. Their team was in the process of change and they did not do well, losing the Test series 2-0, with one drawn match. The great Gary Sobers, then Captain had a bad tour. He and the wicket-keeper Hendricks did not come to Ireland (both injured). This match was played at the picturesque Sion Mills ground, 12 miles South of Derry. The match followed immediately on the Lords Test which was a high scoring and thrilling draw. There was a good crowd in the little ground and they saw history made. The wicket was not bad. Due to rain it was damp and had a good deal of grass. The ball came through at varying heights but it was slow. The West Indies had come from fast conditions and played some fast wicket shots which got them out. Camacho, Butcher, Lloyd, Shepherd, Findlay and Shillingford had all been in the Test the previous day. Foster, Carew and Walcott (Manager) had all played Test cricket also. The other two were Blair (a fast bowler) and Roberts (slow left armer).

M. Reith, a young left handed batsman, replaced Monteith in the Irish team — the only change from the Scottish match. Camacho took a single in O’Riordan’s first over, attempting to hook Goodwin’s first ball, Camacho was caught at mid-wicket. In O’Riordan’s second over Carew also attempted a hook. The ball got up too high and he lobbed a catch to square leg. At 3 Foster was foolishly run out. Butcher hit a ball to Hughes’s left at mid off and called a run. Hughes fielded the ball and his throw to the wicket-keeper easily beat Foster who was not hurrying. Butcher and Lloyd got three singles. In O’Riordan’s sixth over one ball reared and struck Butcher on the arm. He slashed at the next and Duffy took a good low catch at gully. The portly 43 year old Walcott, who was out of practice, now appeared. He stayed on the back foot as was proper on this wicket. In Goodwin’s seventh over Lloyd misdrove a ball to mid off where Waters took an easy catch, 6 for 5! In Goodwin’s next over this became 8 for 6 when Shepherd played a bad cut shot at a short ball and Duffy took another good catch at gully. Walcott and Findlay were together for six overs. The score was 12 and Walcott had made all the six runs scored since he came in. In Goodwin’s 11th over Findlay stepped out to drive and spooned the ball to mid off where Waters almost dropped the easy catch. A bye was scored. Then O’Riordan took two wickets with the last two balls of his

12th over. Walcott swung at O'Riordan and Anderson caught a skier at cover.

Next ball Roberts swung to leg and skied to the wicket-keeper. Goodwin then bowled a maiden to Blair. O'Riordan in his last over conceded 12 runs to Shillingford and Blair both swinging gaily. With the fifth ball of the next over Goodwin bowled Blair and West Indies were all out 25. O'Riordan had figures of 13-8-18-4 (12 in his last over) and Goodwin 12.5-8-6-5. Goodwin's pace and whip suited the wicket admirably and his 5 for 6 is statistically the best ever. He had bowled unchanged with O'Riordan. This last happened versus Scotland at Derry in 1963 when O'Riordan and Ferguson did so. The score of 25 was the lowest ever against Ireland. The previous was 29 made by New York in New York in 1909. The previous lowest in Ireland was 32 by Scotland at College Park in 1910. This latter innings was also the last case of Ireland bowling out a side with no batsman reaching double figures until this current case (Shillingford's 9 not out was top score). The innings lasted 86 minutes.

With 25 minutes to lunch Pigot and Waters opened. Shillingford and Blair pitched much too short. Pigot was severe on Shillingford and 19 were scored in six overs. In Blair's fourth over Waters slashed on the back foot and was caught by Findlay at the wicket. Lunch was taken at this point. 19-1 with Pigot 17 not out. In the 11th over Pigot and Reith passed the West Indies total but there was ample opportunity of a result over two innings. Reith was hobbling from a recent ankle injury. He was L.B.W. to Shepherd who had come on after Shillingford had bowled two overs 30-2-10. Two overs later Harrison was also L.B.W. to Shepherd for 0. Blair, after 8 overs gave away to Roberts. At 51 Anderson was caught at slip off Roberts for 7. Four runs later Dineen played on, off foot and elbow. 55-5-0. Shepherd came off after 13 overs in which he took 3 for 20 and Shillingford returned. At 69 Pigot popped a ball off him to forward short leg. Pigot's 37 was a good innings lasting just two hours. O'Riordan and Duffy then had the best stand of the innings. They put on 34 in 27 minutes off Shillingford, Roberts and Carew (off spin). O'Riordan hit Carew for a four and a six off successive balls. In his next over Carew caught and bowled him for 35 scored in 51 minutes. Hughes came in after tea and scored 13 in 8 minutes. He hit Carew for a six and was caught at deep square leg next ball by Holder substituting for Blair who had strained himself. At this point Ireland declared with Duffy 15 not out.

With 95 minutes left West Indies went in again exactly 100 behind. Camacho took a single from O'Riordan. Then Goodwin took two wickets in his first over. Camacho again mid-hooked and Dineen caught him two handed high to his left at square leg. Four balls later Pigot dived in at short leg to catch Foster. One for two! Here ended Ireland's success for a while. Goodwin retired with a leg strain after bowling two overs. Waters took over the captaincy and Hughes came on to bowl. Duffy soon replaced O'Riordan. Hughes bowled 7 overs

for 10 runs and Anderson replaced him.

Butcher now cut loose and scored a number of fours and a six off Anderson. Butcher and Carew put on 72 in 73 minutes. Butcher went to his 50 with a snick over gully. First ball of Duffy's next over Waters at deep mid on judged a high catch nicely and Butcher was out for 50 scored in 73 minutes. In Duffy's next over Carew hit further and longer to deep mid on where Pigot caught him. No catch was dropped by Ireland during the day and they held some good ones. Walcott and Lloyd played out the remaining two overs. Lloyd miscued one stroke and Walcott called to him, "Be careful, don't embarrass us any more". On that note an extraordinary match ended. Mr. Herdsman's mill was closed for the day at Sion Mills. The owner supplied lunch and tea free to teams and officials. Next day the *London Times* had a front page column on the match, the *Mirror* a colour front page picture of Goodwin and O'Riordan and Roy Ulyett a cartoon in the *Express*. BBC Northern Ireland televised the play live and their tape was in much demand for National News and Sports programmes.

West Indies: 25 (G. C. Shillingford 9*, D. E. Goodwin 5-6, A. J. O'Riordan 4-18) and 78-4 (B. F. Butcher 50, M. C. Carew 25, D. E. Goodwin 2-1, G. A. Duffy 2-12).

Ireland: 125-8 Dec. (D. R. Pigot 37, A. J. O'Riordan 35, J. N. Shepherd 3-20, M. C. Carew 2-23).



C. S. PARNELL AND WICKLOW CRICKET

by Tom Pryal, Feb. 1984

The peak period ended for cricket in Co. Wicklow was in the 1860s and 70s. The clubs that flourished in that county then were Avondale, Laragh, Rathdrum, Ballyarthur, Mount Kennedy, Glendalough, Coolattin, Bray, Arklow, and Powerscourt. There was also the County Club, which played at Avondale, Coolattin, and Mount Kennedy. One of the prominent cricket devotees in Co. Wicklow at that time was Charles Stewart Parnell of Avondale.

Parnell's interest in cricket was inherited from his father, John Parnell, who had learned the game at Eton. John Parnell was among the earliest members of Phoenix C.C. Dublin (founded 1830), and in 1835 introduced cricket into Co. Wicklow, starting a club, in beautiful surroundings, on his estate at Avondale.

John Parnell's wife, Delia, was an American. She was the daughter of Admiral Charles Stewart of the U.S. Navy. They had eleven children, five boys and six girls. Their sixth child, Charles was born in 1846.

In 1859, John Parnell's doctor, advised him to stop playing cricket but he continued to play. That year, following a match at Phoenix Park, Dublin, he became ill. He died the next day at the Shelbourne Hotel. He was aged forty-eight.

Two of his sons had predeceased him, and so there were then three boys, Charles, John and Henry and their six sisters. At the age of seven Charles was sent to Miss Muirley's school in Yeovil, Somerset. After an illness in the second term, he was brought home. Back in Avondale, Charles was taught by a tutor, but did not get along well with him. Charles had a habit of making awful faces behind the tutor's back.

At the age of nine, he was sent to a small school run by Rev. John Barton, at Kirk Langley in Derbyshire. Charles was pleased to discover that the headmaster was a cricket enthusiast, but that was about all they had in common! He spent a year there, and then returned to the tutors in Avondale. Charles was aged thirteen at the time of his father's death.

Charles, three years younger than his brother John, and four years older than brother Henry, was a much keener and better cricketer than his brothers. Whenever a man failed to turn up for the Avondale Club, it was invariably Charles who filled the gap. At fifteen he was playing regularly for the Club, and the following year (1862) he scored 26 for

South Wicklow against North Wicklow.

in 1863, John and Charles entered an academy, run by Rev. A. Whishaw, at Chipping Norton in Oxfordshire. That school was a crammer for Cambridge. Evidently they did well there, but Charles, who was pushy and assertive, had some difficulties with teachers and students, before he settled down to work. He also played some cricket for a nearby club, and did well as a wicket-keeper batsman. After two years at Chipping Norton, John went to the College of Mining in Dublin, and Charles entered Magdalene College, Cambridge, staying there until 1869.

During his four years at Cambridge, Parnell played in only two matches for Magdalene College. Against Peterhouse, in 1867, he got a duck, and in a match with Trinity Hall in 1869, he scored 19. On vacations, though, in Wicklow, he played a lot of cricket.

When Parnell began to play regularly for Avondale, he often kept wicket but by the time he was seventeen, in 1863, he had become a useful bowler. That year, against Captain Bayley's side at Ballyarthur, he took four wickets. In 1864, Parnell was on the County team, and also on the County Committee with Hon. F. Ponsonby (President), G. Booth, F. Wright, H. Hodgson, and O. Simpson. (Parnell stayed on the County Committee for about ten years).

In June, 1864, Wicklow were beaten by Leinster C.C., one of the strongest clubs in Dublin (and they still are), at Avondale. Leinster made 159, with good scores by G. Barry, Barber, Parker, and Hudson. The bowling figures were not given in *The Irish Times* report, but the wickets were taken by Gaffney (3), Oliver (3), Parnell (2), Wright (1) and one run out. Parnell took the wicket of George Barry, (an outstanding batsman who played many times for Ireland). Wicklow's chief run-makers were Connell (35 not out) and Parnell (25). The report stated "Mr. Parnell played very well indeed, putting his 25 together well". The report also stated that the ground "was in good order and an excellent wicket was prepared". On the delicate matter of umpiring we are informed that it was "very indifferent", and no more.

Two weeks later, at Avondale, Wicklow beat a Military team by 17 runs. For Wicklow, Gaffney was top scorer with 36, and Parnell got 18. Then they ran into a very rough patch. On successive days they played Leinster C.C., again, Sandymount C.C., and Bray C.C. Against Leinster, at Rathmines, Dublin, Wicklow lost by an innings. Only Gaffney and Connell did well for the County against the strong Leinster side. (Parnell's brother, John played in that match, and went in last, for 0 not out, both innings.)

The following day, Wicklow played Sandymount C.C., at Sandymount, Dublin, in one of the most remarkable matches ever played in Ireland. (It was July 20 1864) Sandymount were keener on batting records that day, than wining the match. They hit up the staggering total of 524. Sandymount batted from 12 noon until 5.30 and Wicklow got only half an hour's batting! James Gilligan, at No. 4,

hammered the Wicklow bowling for 200, and was the first man to reach that mark in Irish cricket. R. Snow at No. 7, hit up 103, and was run out. Others who did well were J. Doran (65), A. St. Leger (48), L. Flanagan (26 not out), and F. McKenna (20). The Extras chipped in 47 (with 32 wides). The bowling figures were not given and that could have been some slight relief for the Wicklow bowlers. The wickets were taken by Parnell (3), Fetherston (3), Oliver (2), Galbraith (1), and one run out. Then Wicklow, in their half-an-hour's batting made 5 runs, and lost three wickets. So after all the fireworks and records they were not beaten. (Four days before that match, there was another remarkable game at that ground. A two-innings match between Sandymount 2nd XI and Powerscourt C.C. ended in a Tie.)

At Bray, that pleasant seaside resort, the Wicklow side were in action again next day. They were short two men who were probably worn out at Sandymount. Wicklow lost by a wide margin, but in their first innings they did quite well. Their best batting was done by Barnes (26) and Parnell, who had an innings of 18. Charles Barton (of Glendalough) bowled well for Wicklow, getting eight wickets. *The Irish Times* reported "Messrs. Barnes and Parnell played well for their respective scores, and the bowling of Mr. Barton was much admired. For Bray, Messrs. Croker, Jackson, Murray, Guinness, and Starkey, by steady play, placed double figures to their names, in honour of Bray". Arthur Dickinson, who was a brother-in-law of Parnell, was on the Wicklow team that day.

Surprisingly, the name J. Gilligan, the Sandymount star was in the Wicklow side for their match with Civil Service C.C. a few days after the game at Bray. Civil Service were a strong club, and Gilligan's scores were 19 and 16. Wicklow did well, but the match was drawn.

In August 1864, Sandymount were beaten by Leinster C.C. by an innings and 115 runs. James Gilligan scored 3 and 30. Gilligan was not very prominent in Irish cricket, but he had his days. In 1867 he had another big one, getting 161 in a match, for Sandymount. In 1868, Gilligan played for the Irish 22 -v- All England XI, which included George Parr, J. C. Shaw, and Tarrant. Alas, he got a "pair".

The Wicklow bowlers must have practised long and hard at the nets in 1865, because in their victory over a Military side that year, they bowled the Military out, in their first innings, for a miserable 9 runs, and three of those runs were extras! In their second innings, though, the Military made near 100.

Parnell was, for a period, a member of Phoenix C.C. Although his involvement with that club was not strong, he was on the Phoenix Committee in 1866. At a Committee meeting in November 1866, from which Parnell was absent, it was reported that he had not paid his subscription.

Many stories have been told concerning Parnell's captaincy of Wicklow. These stories suggest that Parnell was an autocrat, and a mean cricketer. If Parnell did get involved in disputes, we should know

the circumstances before we state he was always wrong. How reliable are these stories? We can be sure that they gained in the telling! We have all heard post-match storytellers, who after a few drinks can tell tall stories. We need not doubt that when Parnell became the most talked of man in Ireland, cricket stories told by cricketers who knew him, and by some who did not, were being inflated fast.

In 1867, to celebrate Parnell's coming of age, a three-day match was arranged for Avondale, between Wicklow and a team of Dublin Officers. Invitations were sent out, and tents and marquees were erected. Along with the cricket there were arrangements made for music, dancing and champagne. On the second day, many of the cricketers were losing interest in the cricket. The luncheon was very good and there were many ladies present. Parnell tried, but failed to get the players out on to the field, so the afternoon was given over to fun and flirtation.

Parnell played for Lord Fitzwilliam's 22 v. I Zingari at Coolattin in 1868. I. Zingari won by 6 wickets. For the visitors, Capt. C. F. Buller scored 24 and 66. Parnell was next with an innings of 17. Hon. F. Ponsonby (of Coolattin) was one of the founders of I Zingari, and was President of Na Shuler.

The Co. Wicklow Committee in 1872 was Hon. F. Ponsonby, C. S. Parnell, G. Booth (Laragh), C. Barton (Glendalough), Hon. H. Monck (Charleville), Major Cunningham (Mount Kennedy), Capt. Posnett (Enniskerry) and Capt. Bayly (Ballyarthur).

Parnell played little cricket after 1870. His political activities were developing rapidly, and his name was moving from the sports page to the front page. Parnell was elected M.P. for Co. Meath in 1875.

Charles Stewart Parnell died on October 6, 1891, at the age of forty-five.

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