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Tons of new roller – get on board

Newly elected club president Frank Tuskes asks you to support one of the most important fundraising activities in the history of the Newtown and Chilwell Cricket Club.

At the club's Annual General Meeting last night – and thanks must go to both David Barnes and through the Australian Sports Foundation – we launched the "Two Blues New Roller Fund".

The aim of this fund is to cover the purchase of a new roller for the turf wickets at Queens Park – the centre wicket on Stinton Oval, and the practice wickets adjacent to the oval.

Why the need for a new roller?

The existing one is old, in need of constant maintenance and is highly inefficient and time-consuming because of its weight and size.

The new roller will be a ride one roller making it more effective both from a matter of timeliness, and also because of the better quality wickets it will allow us to prepare.

Simply, as part of our on-going commitment to constant improvement, the best wicket in the GCA will continue to get better.

New efficiencies, flexibility and innovation are key part of the way the Newtown and Chilwell

Cricket Club needs to operate in an increasingly demanding sporting and community environment.

The cost of the new roller is approximately \$30,000.

We've already had a number of generous offers to support the project, but we need more.

Please make your own donation, and circulate this request and the details of the project to as many people as you can.

Because this project has been approved by the Australian Sports Foundation, donations are tax deductible.

Further details on the project, and how to make a donation can be clicking on the below link.

[Australian Sports Foundation – Two-Blues New Roller Fund](#)

[Youtube Video - click here!](#)

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Dan Lawrence – England Development Player of the Year May 20, 2016



The Newtown and Chilwell Cricket Club congratulates Essex's Daniel Lawrence on his dual achievement of a century against Derbyshire in the English County Championship, and being named England Development Player of the Year.

Daniel Lawrence played for the Two Blues under the unique arrangement

between our club and Essex – Gooch/Insole Scholarship – and had a stellar 2014/2015 season.

As well as scoring 556 runs at an average of 42.77, Daniel Lawrence won the prestigious Merriman Medal.

After making his First XI debut for Essex in 2014, scoring a century, Daniel

Lawrence acknowledged the impact on his career of his Australian summer.

He also had a big impact on us, and GCA cricket generally, with two centuries, including the mammoth 191 against South Barwon, and 18 dismissals behind the stumps – 14 catches and two stumpings.

Belmont dad donates 300 litres of blood, saves 1500 lives

Courtesy of the Geelong Advertiser

IT didn't take much to convince Adam Woollett to try donating blood; a free coffee, a sausage roll and the chance to skip out of work.



LIFE SAVER: Nurses Brenda Pritchard and Claire Barber celebrate Adam Woollett's 500th donation to the Red Cross Blood Service. He has saved an estimated 1500 lives.

That was 1987, and in the 29 years since the Belmont dad's motivations have changed markedly.

The Red Cross Blood Service said that Mr Woollett's 500 donations — totalling more than 300 litres of blood — have saved 1500 Australian lives.

His left arm has made each of those donations, sharing whole blood, platelets and plasma as demand arose.

He first took up the altruistic habit as a 21-year-old after snaring his first job as a graphic designer in a government department.

"They encouraged me to come along, and I thought 'How good is this? You get time off work, you get paid, and you finish off with a cup of coffee and sausage roll'," Mr Woollett said.

A short time later a friend was in a serious road crash, dying twice in the hands of medics but saved by multiple blood transfusions. It proved to Mr Woollett that donating blood was a worthwhile pastime.

While his days of donating during work time have long past, Mr Woollett has continued giving his time and blood, spending 90 minutes in the chair at the Geelong donor centre every fortnight.

"I've got family, I've got a girlfriend, I've got beautiful kids and a granddaughter, and I just want to make sure that if they ever have the need there's blood supplies there that could help them out and save their lives," he explained.

With his 50th birthday recently passed, Mr Woollett is not sure if he'll get to 1000.

"I'll be having a crack, it'd be a good milestone, but it wouldn't take much for it all to come unstuck; I'll just try to keep contributing," he said.

"They say you can donate up until you're about 70 ... so I figure I've still got a while left."

Mr Woollett is one of 500,000 Australian blood donors, but the blood service says 8.5 million others are eligible to do so. To mark National Blood Donor Week it wants more people to take up the cause. For information phone 13 14 95 or visit www.donateblood.com.au

An open letter from new President Frank Tuskes

First of all, I want to say thank you for the opportunity to be President of this club.

As those who have reminded over the years before I had the honour last season to become a premiership player, I have been at the club for a long time and it is a huge part of my life..

I guess it has just become an even larger part and it is a challenge I am looking forward too.

And there are many reasons for my enthusiasm.

As Neville Crane, in his of his last roles as senior vice-president, said at the Annual General Meeting last Monday night, never has the Newtown and Chilwell Cricket Club been in such a good place off the field as it is at the moment.

Neville was also at pains to point out that on the field improvements are needed and we are working on those.

And that brings me to the thing that most excites me about my new role – our junior development programs.

Last year Newtown and Chilwell Cricket Club invested heavily in the juniors and by March we were reaping the rewards just about everywhere you looked.

That investment will continue this season and the seasons beyond.

This year, to help ensure our junior programs grow in number and quality, we have set up a new junior committee, many of the name of the members of which echo through the history of the club – Jefferies, Croft, Windt, Royce, Kiddle.

But I assure you, and as people like Geoff Williams are already proving, you don't have to be a club legend to help out in the junior program. Every bit of assistance from no matter from where it comes is highly valued and appreciated.

Not only will having as many people on deck as possible enhance what we do for our juniors, it will spread the work load more evenly.

Can I say to parents of juniors reading this, if you haven't already offered to help would you please consider doing so now because the start of the season will be on us before we know it.

The development of the juniors will be a shared undertaking.

The club will throw in every resource it has available, and the best use of those resources will be made if parents pitch in to help the coaches and the junior committee members at every opportunity – a genuine community partnership.

We are a family club, some of those families spread across two and three generations.

Family elders, and even the youngster themselves, will tell you there are few better environments in which to learn about cricket and life in general than the Newtown and Chilwell Cricket Club.

I say that with pride, but I also say it with a determination to give that experience to as many people as possible, and because of the number of juniors we had last summer, and will have in the summers ahead, that is a large group.

So any parent reading this can be assured that your child will be given the best possible opportunity to not just enjoy cricket, but to thrive.

When we look at the club honours boards and the records, we know the juniors are our past, our present and most importantly as we approach the summers of 2016 and 2017 and beyond, our future.

As I said, it is an honour to be nominated as president of our great club.

In taking over from Phil Morgan, I want to offer him my great thanks for all the work he has done, and the guidance he gave to me when I first became secretary.

There is more to club cricket administration in the 21st Century than meets the eye, traps everywhere for young players.

Morgo guided me past most of these.

Thanks too to Mark Ainsworth, who is just the best treasurer we could hope for.

We had a solid body of people on our committee last summer, and it looks even better for the year ahead.

I want to thank all those who served last year, and welcome the newcomers.

One of those is our new Business Administrator, David Barnes.

He has already proven the wisdom of his appointment in just the first few weeks in the job.

As the season progresses, I am sure we will have many more examples of David's knowledge helping our volunteers get more satisfaction out of their roles.

David will also act as secretary in a temporary capacity, working with our new assistant treasurer, Zac Stokes.

As important an appointment as that of Barnso is the wonderful offer of Devon Royce to be Director of Cricket.

Like Barnso, in a very short space of time he has shown us the things of which he is capable.

He is assembling a top class cricket department.

- o Training & Performance Coordinator – Yves Roussety
- o Batting Coach & 2nd Captain – Rod Kiddle
- o Bowling Coach – Phillip Twaddle
- o Hard Wicket & 3rds Captain – Russell Mitchell
- o Fielding Coach – Brendan Twaddle
- o Conditioning & Activities – Adam Kalz
- o Coaching & Leadership Consultant – Damian Shanahan

Dev is outlining his other plans elsewhere in this edition of the Tribune, so I will leave it to him to explain his plans and philosophies.

I have already written to you about our new Australian Sports Foundation Account, the initial aim of which is to raise the funds to purchase the new roller. All donations are tax deductible.

That project would never happened without the initial generosity of our curator, Ian Simpson.

As Simmo works his magic with his new bit of kit and the best wicket in the GCA just gets better and better - and the facilities on which we practice, play and socialise remain un-matched in the region - there is no better time to be involved with Newtown and Chilwell Cricket Club.

So as cricketers, no matter what their age, as parents, as friends, let's all form one mighty partnership to ensure that the summer ahead is both satisfying and successful on and off the field.

Tony Jefferies N&CCC Life Member 42



Frank Tuskes presents Tony Jefferies with his life membership medallion
Go to the club Facebook for the video and Jaffas acceptance.

Don Royce formalises the nomination

Life Memberships should not be taken lightly. According to our Club's By Law 6 **they are awarded to those who have rendered special service to the Club or game.**

An extract from the NCCC's Statement of Purpose – A formal & enshrined statement that attempts to establish our Club's reason for existing.

“Furthermore it (the NCCC) will aim to foster cricket in the region & generally advance the interests of the game of cricket.”

If we refer to the aforementioned and apply our knowledge of Tony Jefferies' involvement in Geelong Cricket whether as a player at NCCC or the Geelong CC and as an administrator at NCCC and the Geelong Junior Cricket Association we would have no reservations in **supporting** the nomination of Anthony Jefferies for life membership of our club. He has certainly rendered special service to the Club and fostered the game across our region.

I want to share additional information related to his cricketing life at the Geelong CC, then later as a retired player, his contribution to junior cricket as a coach, NCCC junior coordinator and the Geelong Junior Cricket Association's My Cricket Administrator, much of which was managed while working in Canberra and/or Melbourne.

In 1993-94 after 7 seasons at NCCC, Tony was selected in the Geelong Cricket Club's inaugural 1st X1, Premier team and wore cap no 5, against the Richmond Club at Punt Road. Interestingly in the same X1 were NCCC players Brett Goggin & Brad Stacey and **our Club was proud**. Rod Kiddle was also a member of that historic X1.

In 1995-96 v Camberwell Magpies he opened and scored 131 his highest 1st score in Premier cricket. He played 51 matches, 44 in the ones, took 60 wkts & 23 catches. The then captain

and legendary Premier cricketer Peter Cox provided the following comments.

“Lots of people asked me early on. How can he (Tony Jefferies) be in the ones?” Peter's reply was, “From the very beginning and with a group of players together for the 1st time, Tony stood out for his work ethic, his athleticism, his height, his cricket smarts and stamina that enabled him to bowl long and economical spells. He very quickly adjusted to Premier Cricket and became our work horse bowler who the team could depend on. It was an important time in the Club's history, when we were seeking to be competitive and win respect. He was a valuable contributor to the Geelong CC in its formative years”.

Junior Cricket at NCCC.

Tony has become involved in NCCC Juniors like many fathers do because he has 3 sons who have played junior cricket with the NCCC. (Tom, Sam & Hayden). While I'm not sure of how many seasons he has spent coaching juniors at Queens Park, I think his contribution has been most significant since he has accepted the role of NCCC Junior coordinator in successive seasons since 2010-11. This role is a seriously important one ensuring that our juniors are all correctly registered with their individual details logged on My Cricket, that they are placed in teams appropriate to their ability levels, with their school mates to assist with travel arrangements, to meet and embrace parents and respond to their queries, to identify and appoint coaches, educate, inform and coordinate them, stock take and purchase team kits, distribute fixtures, attend NCCC committee meetings and represent the interests of junior players and their families. – and more...

Under his watch, our Club has attracted a most impressive group of junior coaches, supported 11 junior teams last season, and successfully eased a good number of junior cricketers into senior teams more successfully than we may have in previous times. It is also agreed that current juniors and their families are being embraced and inducted into our club due to a range of new activities and approaches. Due to recent changes in GCA regulations there is a greater need than ever before, to focus on and resource the development of home grown players. Under Tony's leadership and coordination we have responded.

Members of the Club in acknowledgement of his efforts coordinating NCCC juniors have awarded Tony the Vic Profit Trophy in seasons 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015 and the Syd Johnston Trophy in season '15-'16.

As well Tony has been a NCCC committee member for at least 9 seasons.

There can be many indicators that we are part of a strong and successful cricket club that we as members can be proud of. One, included in our Statement of Purpose is how successfully we foster cricket in the region & generally advance the interests of the game of cricket.

Tony Jefferies certainly covers this as the **My Cricket Administrator for the GCA Junior Cricket Association**. This role involves ensuring accurate registration and performance data is recorded on My Cricket for all individuals, teams and clubs in the GCA Junior CA.

Consider the numbers from last season. 215 teams from 49 clubs including Anakie, Little River, Lara, Queenscliff, Barwon Heads, Airey's Inlet, Winchelsea, Bannockburn and all clubs within. In the U/14 Emond section alone there were 154 players from 12 teams who participated last season. Sometimes club officials don't correctly record player details, individual performances, match results etc. That's when Tony has weekly work to do throughout the season.

Not only has he managed this responsibility efficiently, but he has brought credibility to himself, built links with local cricket leaders and has enhanced the status of our Club.

It is with confidence and irrefutable evidence that I second Tony Jefferies' nomination for Life Membership of the NCCC.

Don Royce OAM.

Tony JEFFERIES

	Debut season 1986/87							
<u>22 June 2016</u>	1STS	2NDS	3RDS	4THS	5THS	6THS	7THS	TOTAL
GAMES PLAYED	98	5	3	4	1	3		114
PREMIERSHIPS	3	-	-	-	-	-		3
INNINGS	98	4	3	2	1	2		110
NOT OUTS	5	1		1				7
HIGHEST SCORE	82	17	20	19no	-	17		82
AGGREGATE RUNS	2035	52	40	38	27	25		2217
AVERAGE	21.88	17.33	13.33	38.00	27.00	12.50		21.52
DUCKS	9							9
CENTURIES								
50s	10							10
CATCHES	42		1	3		2		48
STUMPINGS	1							1
OVERS BOWLED	1282.67	34	30	46.2	16	12		1420.87
MAIDENS	293	5	4	12	6	2		322
WICKETS	179	3	4	11	3			200
RUNS	3252	81	100	89	29	50		3601
AVERAGE	18.17	27.00	25.00	8.09	9.67	?		18.01
5 wickets/innings	5			1				6
BEST BOWLING	8/29	1/22	3/58	7/53	3/29	-		8/29
BALLS PER WICKET	42.99	68.00	45.00	25.20	32.00	?		42.63
RUNS PER OVER	2.54	2.38	3.33	1.93	1.81	4.17		2.53

- N&CCC First XI player no 358
- 3 First XI premierships
1987/88 defeated North Geelong in GF after a tie in semi against Leopold
1989/90 defeated East Belmont
1991/92 defeated North Geelong
- 3 times won First XI bowling average 1990/91/92/93.
- **11/2/90** was a member of the FIRST XI that claimed a unique record in Geelong cricket against Bell Post Hill when ten bowlers were used in the first innings with each bowler claiming a wicket!
- **23/2/91** took 8/29 in the second innings against East Belmont Firsts to complete match figures of 13 wickets for 74 runs - the best First XI bowling performance for nearly fifty years. His match figures were 33 overs, 12 maidens, 13 for 74.
- **1991/92** was named GCA Cricketer of the Year after taking 30 wickets at 15.67 and making 382 runs at 32. Won GCA Firsts bowling average with 26 wickets at 14.90 average
- Twice represented GCA at VCCL Country Week 1987-88
- 9 seasons as N&CCC Committee member and 7 as junior coordinator
- Member of Geelong CC inaugural VCA team

A new generation of ROYCE rolls into action at NCCC

Newtown and Chilwell Cricket Club has made another exciting move as it prepares for the summer of 2016-17 and beyond, appointing club legend Devon Royce as the Director of Cricket. Devon Royce takes over the role from his father, Don Royce OAM, one of Geelong's most revered cricket administrators.



"In so many ways, it is just the perfect appointment for us," said club secretary Frank Tuskes. "Don has given so much to our club over the years. "His wisdom is unsurpassed in Geelong cricket, and Devon has been absorbing that since he was a junior. "So many times on the field, Dev has played his heart out for us, and so we know it is in exactly the right place when he takes on what is one of the most demanding roles at our club.

"He's a life-member, he's a four-time premierships player and his knowledge of cricket is just enormous as those who have played with him, and against him, will attest. "Fittingly, his own son, Jack has been playing with us in both senior and junior cricket and given that experience, plus his father's reputation as one of the founders of junior cricket in Geelong, Devon will be right across not just our senior programs, but integrating the juniors into the club from the moment they begin playing with us."

Devon Royce will head up what will be re-shaped cricket department. "We are having a complete re-appraisal of our club structure," Frank Tuskes said. "The way to run a successful club has changed enormously in recent times. "Cricket clubs are like small businesses and needs to be run as such. "Devon's appointment, along with the appointment of David Barnes as our Business Administrator, is part of that appraisal and the club is looking forward to making some other significant announcements about appointments in the near future.

"There has never been a more exciting time to be part of the Two Blues."

10 QUESTIONS WITH DEVON ROYCE, NEWTOWN AND CHILWELL CRICKET CLUB'S NEW DIRECTOR OF CRICKET

- 1. What is your first memory of cricket?**
Spending Saturdays roaming Queens Park as a 6-12 year old while Dad was playing 3rds. Alternating between playing in the old tram in the playground, sitting in the scorers box with Charlie, scoffing Four n Twenty pies from the kiosk that Mrs Lodding used to give me, diving into the river off the third green for golf balls and most importantly watching the Platinum Era 1st X1 dominate on Stinton Oval. A truly charmed childhood.
- 2. Who has been the biggest influence on your cricket career?**
Dad (juniors) & Russell (seniors) I wished I applied Dad's advice a bit more early on. In hindsight he was so spot on. Russell gave me a bowl and taught me to be competitive.



