



**UNSW  
CRICKET CLUB**

**University of NSW Cricket Club Life Member Profiles.**

***David Jebb***



***Player***



***Peter Richardson Clubman of the Year***

## Roles and Honours

Senior Vice President	2013-18
Chairman of Selectors	2005-07
Club Coach	2013-14
Team Captain	3rd Grade 1995-96, 1996-97, 4th Grade 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2010-11, UK Tour, 2001
Editor, Saturday Sledge	1996-2001
Barr-Turn	1996-97
Peter D Richardson Clubman of the Year	2000-2001
UNSW Sports Recognition Award	2005
Committee Member	1996-2018
Club Administrator	2018-present

## Individual Profile

Where were you born and where did you grow up?

**I was born on 1 January in an ambulance travelling from my parents' place in Revesby to Bankstown hospital. I grew up in Revesby until I was 4, Manly until I was 8 and then Canberra – all moves to do with my Dad's job in the Army.**

Where did you play your junior/local cricket or become interested in cricket?

**My best mate at school invited me, as an 8-year-old, to play in his Under 11s team at Norths Juniors in Canberra. I was really hopeless but loved it passionately and spent the whole following winter with a bat and ball in my hand. I was picked in the ACT Under 10s the following season as an allrounder and stayed in that rep side as an opening bowler right through to Under 17s. I really wish that there were the same Green Shield pathways as today (in those days not all clubs had a team and the opportunity to play**

from Canberra wasn't really there) – it would have been a great stepping stone.

When and why did you become involved with UNSWCC?

I turned up at the age of 28 in 1990, after playing for Mosman, on and off, since 1984. I knew Morgs Gallop indirectly from Canberra but, aside from that, I came “clean”. What drew me to the club was an anecdote from a mate who did a pre-season here once (but decided not to switch clubs – which he regretted) and the clincher was turning up at the VG one day to watch 1sts whilst waiting for a wet 3rds deck to dry out at DP North, and standing alongside some Bees and listening to their banter. Witty, intelligent psychos, as far as I could make out. I remember thinking “this is how it should be” and felt it was a much better fit for me than my current club. Incredibly, Livo has found a photo from that very day in the archives at UNSW – Disco and Jamie Baker are walking out to open and I'm in the background with my 3rds skipper and another Mosman guy.



What did you like about UNSW Cricket?

**It was the people and the culture. We are genuinely different to other clubs, a view drawn from my observations over nearly 30 years associated with Sydney grade cricket in one way or another. As I wrote in my 'Stump to Stump' blurb a little while ago: "... a bubble of cricket loving, egalitarian, witty, unpretentious lunatics, driven by a culture that goes back decades and took a quantum leap when the great John Rogers got involved in the club in the 70s and instilled some traits that still exist today".**

What is your Club nickname (Explain who gave it to you and why – if not obvious

**Rattler called me "Reg" for a while for a reason I can't recall – something to do with some business leader, I think, and a few blokes called me "Zola" (Budd) for a while because I used to always do my warmup laps at the VG in bare feet. But eventually, it just ended up as Jebby, as it generally has wherever I have landed in my life.**

The Table above outlines some of your Club achievements, roles, and honours. Can you give us an insight into how you saw your contribution to UNSW Cricket, which do you consider the most important?

**I was a "doer" for a lot of years and, while I was playing, put a lot of time and effort into the non-playing parts of the club which, alongside the contributions of people like Disco, Jonesy, Henry, Seros, and Matty Sanders, helped make it a great place to play no matter what level you were at. I'm sure the club could have taken or left me as a cricketer, so my off field contribution was probably my most important.**

What did it mean to you to be awarded life membership?

**It was a great honour, especially as I have a lot of respect for the people who decided I should get one, and then to have Disco give the speech introducing me at the annual dinner made it doubly so. I will forever remember the feeling in the room, with many close friends from over the years there.**

What is your greatest memory or memories of UNSW Cricket?

**There are many, literally hundreds of great memories over many years, both social and on the field. However, it's hard to beat Day 1 of the Edgbaston Test on the UNWCC 2001 UK Tour – 25 of us in Bumblebee jackets behind the bowler's arm watching the Aussies bowl England out for 295 and then our clubmate Slats scoring a sublime 77 not out in the time left before stumps. Nicely topped off by Porno spilling a pint all over Ian Healy's smart casuals and all of us catching up with Slats behind the dressing rooms after play.**



In what profession or area of work are/were you mainly involved? What are your main interests outside cricket?

**My work has been a varied ride over the years, including a lot of HR and a stint in an international bank working in the stock market world but, 20 or so years ago, I bit the bullet and went for love over money to do the TAFE Greenkeeping course, working towards becoming a full time cricket curator. 12 years of 1st Grade grounds later, I would say it definitely had its ups and downs, including getting the VG to 2nd in the ground rankings. However, a couple of years ago, after being shafted in the permutations of the contracting world, I decided to work closer to home in more general horticulture work. Right now, I work as a gardener on a large private property in Buxton, 10 mins from home. No weekends, no covers, no looking out the window cursing the weather. Outside of cricket, I have a wife and 4 kids over two locations in my orbit, so family is where most of my time is spent these days.**

Where are you now?

**I live an hour by car out of Sydney in Thirlmere, near Picton. It was where I could afford to buy a two bedder with a small yard about 6 years ago when I was looking. It's a semi-rural place but fast becoming less so as the spread of Sydney continues and the second Sydney Airport goes in. I certainly wouldn't have wanted to live here at any stage before my mid-50s, but it's not too bad for an older bloke.**

Anything else you would like to add

**The Bees are unique and the experiences and friendships the club has given me are precious and irreplaceable.**

# Playing Record

David Jebb									
Years Played		Grade		1990-2013					
		Shires		N/A					
<b>BATTING</b>									
Grade	Games	Inn.	NO	Total	Ave.	Highest	Caught	50's	100's
2	16	17	1	258	16.1	59	6	1	
3	98	101	9	2258	24.5	128	23	10	2
4	128	134	8	3429	27.2	131	33	19	3
5	15	14	2	299	24.9	66	1	2	
6	1	1	0	107	107.0	107	1		1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>6351</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>BOWLING</b>									
Grade	Games	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average	5WI	Best	
3	98	18.8	1	1	96	96.0		1 for 45	
4	128	31.4	6	4	142	35.5		1 for 8	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>50.2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>47.6</b>			



THE UK TOURISTS 2001

Back: T Buckett, M Gregg, M Mullen, K Taylor, C Jameson, R Hamman, M Plunkett-Cole, M Mag, T Richardson

Middle: W Saunders, D Dermody, B Nott, P Carson, D Carson, A Langdon, D Christian

Front: J Plunkett-Cole, P Richardson, L Taylor, D Jebb ©, G Lawson, M Elliott, A Lamb, G Robinson

Absent: D Quinlin