

## University of NSW Cricket Club Life Member Profiles.

## **David Lemon**



**Life member presentation 2003** 

## **Roles and Honours**

Australian Representative – Test + ODI	1984-85 Scorer
First Class Representative	1984-85 Scorer
NSWCA Publicity and Promotion Committee	1982-89 Member
NSWCA Umpires and Scorers Assn	2003 to date Member
UNSWCC 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	1978-84 Scorer; 1989-94 Joint Scorer with Tom Boyce

## **Individual Profile**

Where were you born and where did you grow up?

I was born in Sydney NSW on 11 October 1955. We lived at Bardwell Park from 1955 to 1983 and then relocated to Wahroonga.

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

I never played cricket although I had a number of cricket friends at school, in particular Steve Campbell. I went to UNSW to study Arts/Law and became interested in cricket in 1977 when Steve Campbell was first selected in 1st Grade.

When and why did you become involved with UNSWCC?

Steve Campbell suggested I come along to watch a game at the beginning of the 1977/78 Season – Splinter was the Manager and invited me to operate the score board at the Village Green, Tom Boyce was the 1<sup>st</sup> Grade scorer that season and he showed me the intricacies of scoring in the Green Book and I filled in for him on a few occasions. Tom Boyce took the 1978/79 Season off to travel and JR invited me to be 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Scorer in Tom's place.

What did you like about UNSW Cricket?

I particularly enjoyed the camaraderie and all the personalities involved with the Club: players and their families and friends. Jack Skiller, JR's uncle, was a fountain of information and encouraged my abiding interest in cricket statistics and we remained close till he passed away in 2005.

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

Dave – it was my nickname at School and when Steve Campbell introduced me to everyone on day 1 of the UNSWCC journey it was "Dave Lemon" – and it stuck. No one outside of UNSWCC calls me Dave.

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?

Without doubt, being the 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Premiership Scorer in 1980/81. It was also a huge honour to be invited to score international matches at the SCG in 1984/85 – particularly to be the first International Scorer from a University Club.

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

It meant a great deal to became a life member alongside so many legends of the Club most of whom who I had the great honour and good fortune to know personally.

What is your greatest memory or memories of UNSW Cricket?

Being the 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Scorer for the winning Premiership Team in 1980/81.

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

After graduating in 1979 I became a corporate lawyer – I was an employed solicitor in the practice of C.R. Fieldhouse, Solicitor from 1979-2007 when he unexpectedly died in late 2007 - I then opened my own practice in February 2008. My main interests outside cricket are history, classical music and travel.

Where are you now?

Pymble NSW.

Anything else you would like to add.



The ritual reading of the scorebook after the 1980-81 final, David at left





**Premiers 1980-81** 

Back: Asoka Wijeratne, Nigel Perger, Neville Jansson, Bruce Handley, Geoff Lawson, Steve Campbell, Terry Buddin, Peter Tout, David Lemon

Front: Greg Livingstone, Chris Chapman, Mark Raty, Jim Robson, Chris Hanger, Jim Dixon