



**UNSW  
CRICKET CLUB**

## University of NSW Cricket Club Life Member Profiles.

### *David Meagher*



*Player 1976*



*2000*

### *Roles and Honours*

<b>President</b>	1986-90
<b>NSWCA and SCA Delegate</b>	1984-96
<b>Team Captain</b>	1st Grade 1982-83, 1983-84, 1984-85, 1985-86, 3rd Grade 1988-89, 1989-90
<b>Premiership Teams</b>	<b>1st Grade 1980-81, PG 1976-77</b>
<b>Captain John Morris Fielding Trophy</b>	1976-77, 1977-78
<b>Barr-Turn Trophy</b>	1980-81
<b>Cricket NSW Director</b>	1989-1995

# Individual Profile

Where were you born and where did you grow up?

**I was born in Sydney, and grew up on Sydney's North Shore**

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

**I was introduced to cricket at a really young age by my father who was an avid cricket player and coach. He represented NSW Country in 1948 while playing for West Wyalong. Cricket seemed to be constantly being played in the backyard. Basically I played school cricket until playing Green Shield for Gordon DCC. I played two seasons with Gordon before moving to UNSW.**

When and why did you become involved with UNSWCC?

**While Gordon was a very successful club, winning the Club Championship, and I played in a couple of premiership teams in 1975/76, I wanted to be more involved in the "campus life"; I thought playing cricket for the Uni would be a good way to do this. My first season with UNSWCC was 1976/77**

What did you like about UNSW Cricket?

**It was a very welcoming club, with an emphasis on having fun. The actual cricket was taken very seriously, but not much else, it seemed.**

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

**I don't recall any nickname other than one that John "Rattler" Lupton gave me when I captained 3rds in the early 1990's - "Capt Mainwairing" from the British comedy "Dads Army".**

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 would like to be able to say that my on-field contribution was the most valuable. Unfortunately, my ability levels preclude me from doing so. The mid to late eighties and early nineties were turbulent times for Sydney Grade clubs with the threat of amalgamations and/or removal from the Grade competition constantly hanging around. The club needed delegates to the governing bodies who were prepared to give the time to take leadership positions and constantly articulate the enormous contribution that UNSWCC made to Sydney and NSW cricket. The club was lucky to have Terry Buddin as one of its delegates to NSW Cricket and Terry was the chair of the SCA Management Committee, providing first rate leadership to that organisation before retiring, when John Chapman, the Waverly delegate and Chris Chapman's father, took over. I learned a lot from both of them.**

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

**It was a very humbling experience. In the list of life members there are some very fine men who really made a difference to the club, on and off the field. I think that when I was involved with the club, playing, on committees or whatever, I did not realise the time I was spending in performing those roles. I was asked to fill some positions, so I did. It was really only when I was proposed for life membership that it brought home to me that my peers valued what I had done.**

What is your greatest memory or memories of UNSW Cricket?

**So many good memories: Watching Chris Hangar batting for about 2 hours for a draw on DP North to clinch the club championship, Seeing Henry get selected to play for Australia, captaining a very young 3rd grade team in a semifinal against Sutherland. Not such a great memory was dropping a catch in the gully that probably cost us that match!!**

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

**I was a lawyer in private practice for most of my career and am now retired. Interests include grandchildren, golf, walking, and travel with my wife of 35 years, Sue. Cruises to remote hard to get places are high on the list. But higher is towing our caravan in Australia.**

Where are you now?

**We are based in Sydney, and spend about half our time here.**

Anything else you would like to add

## Playing Record

David Meagher									
Years Played			Grade			1976-1991			
			Shires			N/A			
<b>BATTING</b>									
Grade	Games	Inn.	NO	Total	Ave.	Highest	Caught	50's	100's
1	76	85	13	2173	30.2	117	31	9	4
2	43	51	7	1322	30.0	100	14	7	1
3	76	86	11	2364	31.5	154	28	13	2
4	1	1		122	122.0	122			1
5	1	1		5	5.0	5			
CS	1	1		3	3.0	3			
PG	5	5		46	9.2	23	1		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>6035</b>	<b>30.3</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>BOWLING</b>									
Grade	Games	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average	5WI	Best	
1	76	1	0	0	1				
2	43	8	1	0	25				
3	76	14	2	0	72				
CS	1	3	0	0	25				
<b>Totals</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>N/A</b>			

PG premiers 1976-77



Back: Nigel Perger, Neville Jansson, Dave Meagher, Greg Livingstone, Geoff Kirkwood, Mick Watt, John Carmichael

Front: Peter Jourdain, Mick Bryce, Jim Robson (c), Geoff Lawson, Steve Howard