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| **201** | **Carl Ernest Beal** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Club | East Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 12/7/1887 | Launceston |  |  |  |  | Died | 16/08/1916 | Melbourne | |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |  |
| **1913/14 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 115 | 25/12/1913 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 1 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 16 | no |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **116** | **1/01/1914** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | **105** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 117 | 23/01/1914 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 13 | ro | 48 | 2 | 16 | 2 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 8 | b | 30 | 3 | 15 | 0 |  |  |
| 118 | 13/02/1914 | Otago | Carisbrook | 16 | ct | 24 | 0 | 16 | 1 |  |  |
| 120 | 13/03/1914 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 17 | ct | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 22 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1914/15 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **121** | **25/12/1914** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | **58** | **no** |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| 122 | 1/01/1915 | Auckland | Eden Park | 1 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 44 | b | 12 | 0 | 10 | 0 |  |  |
| 123 | 6/01/1915 | Hawkes Bay | Hastings | 13 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 124 | 9/01/1915 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 15 | ro |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1913/14 | 5 | | 9 | | 1 | 105 | 198 | | 24.75 | 1 | |  | 3 | | 108 | 6 | 47 | 3 | 15.67 | 2/16 |  | 43.52 | 36.00 |
| 1914/15 | 4 | | 6 | | 1 | 58\* | 135 | | 27.00 |  | | 1 | 1 | | 12 | 0 | 10 | 0 |  |  |  | 83.33 |  |
| **Total** | **9** | | **15** | | **2** | **105** | **333** | | **25.62** | **1** | | **1** | **4** | | **120** | **6** | **57** | **3** | **19.00** | **2/16** |  | **47.50** | **40.00** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 3 | | 4 | | 2 | 58\* | 91 | | 45.50 |  | | 1 | 2 | | 24 | 0 | 16 | 1 | 16.00 | 1/16 |  | 66.67 | 24.00 |
| Wellington | 2 | | 4 | | 0 | 105 | 124 | | 31.00 | 1 | |  | 1 | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Auckland | 2 | | 4 | | 0 | 44 | 66 | | 16.50 |  | |  | 1 | | 90 | 5 | 41 | 2 | 20.50 | 2/16 |  | 45.56 | 45.00 |
| Australia | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 22 | 39 | | 19.50 |  | |  |  | | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hawkes Bay | 1 | | 1 | | 0 | 13 | 13 | | 13.00 |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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**Beal** began his cricket in Dunedin in December 1906 playing for the Grange club before moving to the Carisbrook club for the 1908/09 season. Aged 20 he played two matches for Otago: in February 1907 against England scoring 25 and 5 and in January 1909 against Hawkes Bay scoring 29 not out and 3.

He joined the Lancaster Park club on moving to Christchurch in December 1909 and a year later on 21 November 1910 he scored 205 against West Christchurch, the team total of 487 being a new record for district cricket. After three seasons he joined the East Christchurch club and from 1912 to 1915 he played 22 matches for the club and scored 1,331 runs in 31 innings. He had the high average of 51 with two centuries and nine half centuries. He created a record score for the club when playing against Kaiapoi in the 1914/15 season he scored 242 not out.

Beal scored his only first class century in his second match for Canterbury. Beal came to the crease with the score at five for 166 and with Paterson they batted attractively to take the score to 289, Canterbury reaching 367 and eventually winning the match by 243 runs. Batting at eight his 58 not out against Otago in December 1914 was the top score in a Canterbury total of 218, a lead of 110. Otago only made 84 in their second and lost by an innings and 26 runs.

Beal had a younger brother William who played one match for Otago in February 1910. However he was better known as an umpire officiating in a number of matches between 1920 and 1930. He died in 1953 aged 73.

A Beal, possibly his father, was President of the Dunedin club and was in Melbourne in 1874 trying to arrange a visit to New Zealand by the Victorian team. The terms were 300 pounds to Victoria with games against Otago, Canterbury and Auckland. The tour did not eventuate.

Beal married Lilian Broome in 1915 but died within a year at the very young age of 29. In 1911 he was living at 98 Ferry rRd and was working as a soapmaker. His younger brother was also living at the same address with the same occupation.

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| **202** | **Louis Richard Brunton** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | W/K |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | St Albans |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 29/12/1891 | Christchurch |  | Died | 23/03/1934 | Christchurch | |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** | **Stumpings** |  |
| **1913/14 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 115 | 25/12/1913 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 5 | ro | 1 | 2 |  |
| 116 | 1/01/1914 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 21 | ro |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | b | 1 | 1 |  |
| 117 | 23/01/1914 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 1 | ct |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | b |  | 1 |  |
| **1918/19 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 129 | 25/12/1918 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 17 | no | 2 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 39 | b | 3 |  |  |
| 130 | 22/01/1919 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 23 | st | 1 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 25 | ct |  | 2 |  |
| 131 | 21/02/1919 | Auckland | Hagley Oval | 40 | ro | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | ct | 1 | 1 |  |
| **1919/20 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 132 | 25/12/1919 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 0 | b | 1 |  |  |
| 133 | 2/01/1920 | Auckland | Eden Park | 1 | lbw | 4 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | b |  |  |  |
| 134 | 8/01/1920 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 15 | lbw | 3 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | ct |  | 1 |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *140* | *11/03/1921* | *Australia* | *Lancaster Park* | *5* | *no* |  | *2* |  |
|  |  |  |  | *5* | *b* |  |  |  |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 144 | 23/12/1922 | England | Lancaster Park | 9 | no | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |  |  |
| *147* | *23/02/1923* | *Wellington* | *Lancaster Park* | *3* | *b* | *1* |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | *8* | *ro* |  |  |  |
| **1925/26 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 156 | 25/12/1925 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 18 | ct | 1 | 1 |  |
| 157 | 1/01/1926 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 1 | b | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | b |  |  |  |
| 158 | 8/01/1926 | Auckland | Eden Park | 12 | ct | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 49 | ct | 2 | 2 |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| 1913/14 | 3 | | 5 | 0 | | 21 | 35 | 7.00 |  |  | 2 | 4 |
| 1918/19 | 3 | | 6 | 1 | | 40 | 163 | 32.60 |  |  | 8 | 5 |
| 1919/20 | 3 | | 5 | 0 | | 15 | 32 | 6.40 |  |  | 8 | 1 |
| 1920/21 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 5\* | 10 | 10.00 |  |  |  | 2 |
| 1922/23 | 2 | | 4 | 1 | | 9\* | 20 | 6.67 |  |  | 2 |  |
| 1925/26 | 3 | | 5 | 0 | | 49 | 83 | 16.60 |  |  | 5 | 3 |
| **Total** | **15** | | **27** | **3** | | **49** | **343** | **14.29** |  |  | **25** | **15** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| Otago | 2 | | 2 | 0 | | 18 | 23 | 11.50 |  |  | 2 | 3 |
| Wellington | 7 | | 13 | 1 | | 39 | 162 | 13.50 |  |  | 13 | 6 |
| Auckland | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 49 | 139 | 17.38 |  |  | 9 | 4 |
| Australia | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 5\* | 10 | 10.00 |  |  |  | 2 |
| England | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 9\* | 9 | 9.00 |  |  | 1 |  |
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**Brunton** played senior cricket for the St Albans for 17 years from 1910. He played 113 matches and scored 3,312 runs in 168 innings. His highest score was 90 but in addition he scored 11 half centuries. As a wicket keeper he made 74 catches and 72 stumpings, quite a remarkable statistic. On occasions he bowled and with 591 balls he took 25 wickets. He was club captain of St Albans for two years from 1921/22.

In his debut season Canterbury won their four matches easily and retained the Plunket Shield. Victories were achieved by six wickets against Otago, by 245 runs against Wellington, by 318 runs against Auckland and by an innings and 32 runs against Otago. His highest first class score came, batting at seven, in his last match which was against Auckland. Canterbury lost by 32 runs just failing to reach the target of 274.

His ratio of catches to stumpings is the best for any Canterbury keeper and a reflection of not only his ability behind the stumps but also the use of slow bowlers and the batsman’s approach in this period.

Brunton served in the Army in WW1 and sent a note of appreciation back to his St Albans club mates “thank you for the thoughtful Christmas package which has not turned up yet but I trust it has been appreciated by someone in the thick of it”.

On his return he married Jessie Duff on 26 March 1919 she was 26 and came from Irwell, Brunton’s occupation was given as a wharehouseman. Jessie died in 1938. In 1913 Brunton was living at 123 Canon St and was a glass beveller, still there in 1928.

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| **203** | **George Charles Lee Wilson** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| School |  |  |  | birth | 1/5/1887 | in war history | |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Sydenham |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 23/6/1889 | Christchurch |  | Died | 14/12/1917 | Belgium |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |  |
| **1913/14 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 115 | 25/12/1913 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 3 | lbw | 84 | 0 | 44 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 52 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 1 |  |
| 116 | **1/01/1914** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 19 | no | 150 | 1 | 76 | 4 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 16 | ct | **238** | **9** | **80** | **7** |  |  |
| 117 | **23/01/1914** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 34 | no | **150** | **4** | **73** | **5** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **64** | **no** | **201** | **3** | **117** | **6** |  |  |
| 118 | **13/02/1914** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | 13 | ct | **156** | **5** | **95** | **5** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 186 | 1 | 88 | 2 |  |  |
| 119 | 27/02/1914 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 1 | lbw | 114 | 2 | 96 | 0 |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1913/14 | 5 | 8 | | 3 | | 64\* | 168 | 33.60 | |  | 1 | 1 | | 1331 | 28 | | 678 | 31 | 21.87 | 7/80 | 4 | 2 | 50.94 | 42.94 |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 2 | 2 | | 0 | | 13 | 16 | 8.00 | |  |  | 1 | | 478 | 9 | | 236 | 9 | 26.22 | 5/95 | 1 |  | 49.37 | 53.11 |
| Wellington | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | 19\* | 35 | 35.00 | |  |  |  | | 388 | 10 | | 156 | 11 | 14.18 | 7/80 | 1 | 1 | 40.21 | 35.27 |
| Auckland | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | 64\* | 98 |  | |  | 1 |  | | 351 | 7 | | 190 | 11 | 17.27 | 6/117 | 2 | 1 | 54.13 | 31.91 |
| Australia | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 18 | 19 | 9.50 | |  |  |  | | 114 | 2 | | 96 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 84.21 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | |  | | |
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**Wilson** was known as the “midget” and joined the Sydenham club as a junior in 1908/09. He played 57 first grade matches for the Sydenham club until 1914. His slow spin bowling brought him 217 wickets at 15 and 15 times he took five wickets in an innings and on four occasion’s ten wickets in a match. Wilson scored 971 runs at 18 with a top score of 88. He was a member of the first grade team which won the championship in 1912/13 and 1913/14 taking 57 wickets and 52 wickets in those two years.

In his only first class season Wilson had an exceptional year with 31 wickets, a high percentage of which were bowled. Playing against Wellington in January 1914 Canterbury had a lead of 198 and their second innings score of 253 gave Wellington a target of 451. Wilson opened the bowling and his seven wickets gave Canterbury a victory by 243 runs. At one stage he bowled six consecutive maidens. Some 20 days later he played against Auckland and scored 34 not out in Canterbury’s first innings putting 83 for the tenth wicket with Monaghan, a record that still remains. He followed this with 64 not out in the second innings and again had another great partnership with Monaghan for the ninth wicket of 59. Canterbury made 362 and 372 and Wilson’s 11 wicket haul saw Canterbury win by 318 runs, the second largest victory ever against Auckland. Prior to the game against Otago Canterbury played Southand in a two day match bowling them out for 100 and 97, Wilson taking 13 wickets for 110. The final match of the season against Australia is renowned for the huge partnership between Sims and Trumper when they put on 433 for eighth wicket. Canterbury lost by an innings and 364 runs. Wilson was expensive and only bowled 19 of the 153 overs.

He played for New Zealand against Australia in March 1914 and in the only innings required to bowl he had figures of 0 for 39 off eight overs. New Zealand lost by seven wickets.

He was the son of Samuel and Jane Wilson, of Christchurch 249 Milton St Sydenham, single and working as a joiner prior to his embarkation on 26 April 1917 on the Turakina bound for Plymouth England. He served in the 25th Reinforcements Canterbury Infantry Regiment C Company and was killed in action at Ypres Belgium. He is buried at the Polygon Wood Cemetery, Zonnebeke, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

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| **204** | **Harold Wyatt Monoghan** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| School | Wellington College | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | East Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 7/10/1886 | Wellington |  |  |  | Died | 15/10/1958 | Levin |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1913/14 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 115 | 25/12/1913 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 4 | no | 54 | 2 | 19 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 84 | 5 | 19 | 4 |  |
| 116 | 1/01/1914 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 10 | ct | 145 | 6 | 46 | 4 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | no | 150 | 9 | 48 | 1 |  |
| 117 | 23/01/1914 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 46 | ct | 144 | 9 | 46 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 39 | ct | 198 | 7 | 73 | 3 |  |
| 120 | 13/03/1914 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 21 | lbw | 120 | 4 | 81 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1913/14 | 4 | 7 | | 2 | | 46 | 133 | | 26.60 |  | |  | 2 | | 895 | 42 | 332 | 16 | 20.75 | 4/19 |  |  | 37.09 | 55.94 |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 4\* | 4 | | #DIV/0! |  | |  |  | | 138 | 7 | 38 | 4 | 9.5 | 4/19 |  |  | 27.54 | 34.50 |
| Wellington | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | 13\* | 23 | | 23.00 |  | |  | 1 | | 295 | 15 | 94 | 5 | 18.8 | 4/46 |  |  | 31.86 | 59.00 |
| Auckland | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 46 | 85 | | 42.50 |  | |  |  | | 342 | 16 | 119 | 5 | 23.8 | 3/73 |  |  | 34.80 | 68.40 |
| Australia | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 21 | 21 | | 10.50 |  | |  | 1 | | 120 | 4 | 81 | 2 | 40.5 | 2/81 |  |  | 67.50 | 60.00 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | |
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**Monaghan** was a member of the Wellington College Old Boys club and began his first class career playing 11 matches for Wellington from 1905 to 1911 scoring 221 runs at 15 and taking 43 wickets at 20 with best figures of seven for 50 against the MCC in December 1906.

He played for New Zealand against the Melbourne Cricket Club in March 1906 in a match not granted first class status. He made 1 and 17 and took one for 50 in 23 overs.

In his only season in Christchurch in 1913/14 Monaghan had a very good match against Auckland with good batting and bowling doubles. He batted at eleven and with GCL Wilson he put on 83 for the 10th wicket, this still remains a record against Auckland. Another good partnership followed in the second innings helping Canterbury to a victory by 318 runs. Reese considered him “ a left arm swerver who gave every chance of being a champion”. His club record at East Christchurch is unknown but by 1914 he was living at Ross on the West Coast. Westland. Four years later he had moved back to The Vicarage in Pahiatua.

Monaghan graduated MA from Victoria University and was ordained a Deacon in 1912 in Christchurch. From 1928 to 1944 he was vicar at St Mary’s Anglican in Timaru later being appointed the Archdeacon. His final appointment was as Archdeacon in Rangiteki. He wrote a number of books about the Church, his best known was “From Age to Age the history of the Church of England in Wellington from 1858 to 1958”.

One of his sons David, who played in the 1st XI at Christ’s College, played a first class match for the South Island Army in February 1943 and was killed in action in Italy in January 1944 at the age of 22. Another son was also killed in WW2.

He married Jessie Marian Butler in 1913, she died in 1961 at the age of 73.

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| **205** | **Frank Butler** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| LHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Mentone College | Melbourne |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | West Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 13/11/1889 | Brighton | Victoria | Died | 8/05/1965 | Kew | Melbourne |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** |  |  |
| **1914/15 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 121 | 25/12/1914 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 4 | b |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1914/15 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 4.00 |  |  |  |

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**Butler** in his one season with the West Christchurch club had 13 innings and scored 325 runs at 25. His highest score was 118. Butler also took seven wickets in his 210 balls at an average of 27.3.

Prior to coming to New Zealand he had played two matches for the Victorian colts against NSW colts in the 1913/14 season making 26 and 47 in the first match and 29 in the second match. He may have played for Linwood in the 1913/14 season but certainly played for a “Next Eleven” along with Reese, Whitta and Nixon in April 1915 against a Representative team.

On his return to Australia Butler played three first class matches for Tasmania, in 1921/22, 1922/23 and 1923/24. He had six innings for 179 runs with his highest score of 54 against Victoria in February 1922. He also played in a number of non first class matches for North Tasmania against South Tasmania between April 1919 and December 1926.

He was an insurance clerk.

Mentone is a suburb of Melbourne some 21 km south-east from the central business district. In 2006 it had a population of over 11,000.

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| **206** | **Duncan Bell McLachlan** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | LHS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | West Christchurch/East Christchurch | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 30/10/1893 | Dunedin |  |  |  | Died | 15/09/1958 | Chatswood NSW | | |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |  |
| **1914/15 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 123 | **6/01/1915** | **Hawkes Bay** | **Hastings** | 0 | b | **60** | **0** | **57** | **7** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **48** | **3** | **17** | **5** |  |  |
| 124 | **9/01/1915** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 1 | no | 127 | 6 | 59 | 4 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b | **126** | **9** | **43** | **6** | 1 |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 140 | 11/03/1921 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 0 | b | 120 | 2 | 74 | 2 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | ct | 8 | 0 | 11 | 0 |  |  |
| **1921/22 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 142 | 31/12/1921 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 10 | ct | 131 | 3 | 38 | 4 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ro | 128 | 5 | 62 | 0 |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1914/15 | 2 | | 3 | 1 | | 1\* | 1 | | 0.50 |  |  | | 1 | 361 | | 18 | 176 | 22 | 8 | 7/57 | 3 | 2 | 48.75 | 16.41 |
| 1920/21 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | | 0.50 |  |  | |  | 128 | | 2 | 85 | 2 | 42.5 | 2/74 |  |  | 66.41 | 64.00 |
| 1921/22 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 10 | 10 | | 5.00 |  |  | |  | 259 | | 8 | 100 | 4 | 25 | 4/38 |  |  | 38.61 | 64.75 |
| **Total** | **4** | | **7** | **1** | | **10** | **12** | | **2.00** |  |  | | **1** | **748** | | **28** | **361** | **28** | **12.89** | **7/57** | **3** | **2** | **48.26** | **26.71** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Hawkes Bay | 1 | | 1 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 0.00 |  |  | |  | 108 | | 3 | 74 | 12 | 6.167 | 7/57 | 2 | 1 | 68.52 | 9.00 |
| Wellington | 2 | | 4 | 1 | | 10 | 11 | | 3.67 |  |  | | 1 | 512 | | 23 | 202 | 14 | 14.43 | 6/43 | 1 | 1 | 39.45 | 36.57 |
| Australia | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | | 0.50 |  |  | |  | 128 | | 2 | 85 | 2 | 42.5 | 2/74 |  |  | 66.41 | 64.00 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | | |
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**McLachlan** made his first class debut playing for Otago against Canterbury in March 1913 taking two wickets for 26 in the only innings as Otago lost by an innings and 51 runs. A year later, in February 1914, he played in a two day match for Otago against Southland with match figures of two for 53 off 17 overs and none for 57 off 12 overs.

He moved to Christchurch in 1914 and joined the East Christchurch club. In that 1914/15 season he took 55 first grade wickets at 9.6 with best match figures of 13 for 83 and 12 for 81.

This success brought selection for Canterbury and he had an extremely good debut season. In his first match for Canterbury against Hawkes Bay he opened the bowling and had two of the first three batsmen stumped and then wrapped up the tail by bowling the last four batsmen. The Bay were all out for 89, Canterbury made 337 and McLachlan took another five wickets in eight overs, three of whom were bowled. Hawkes Bay made 99 and lost by an innings and 149 runs. In the next match two days later he was less successful as Wellington took a first innings lead of 25 with their score of 269. Canterbury only made 232 in the second turn at bat but McLachlan was at his very best in taking six for 43 off 21 overs, bowling unchanged from one end. Wellington were all out for 115 and lost by 92 runs.

The war years affected his career and when he returned he was living in Poverty Bay and played two minor matches for the Association. In December 1919 he had figures of 2 for 36 and 4 for 32 against Wanganui and in February 1920 playing against Wairarapara 2 for 39 and 0 for 38.

He returned to Christchurch in 1920 and joined the West Christchurch club. Over the next three years he played only 10 matches for the club but bowling 1,444 balls he took 66 wickets at 14.7. On five occasions he had five wickets in an innings and one occasion ten wickets in the match. McLachlan only played two more first class matches and none at the same level of success. His strike rate, however, of a wicket every 26 balls is one of the highest ever recorded by a Canterbury player.

McLachlan was said by Brittenden “to bowl left arm spinners at a brisk place but with the delicate touch of his profession as a piano tuner”.

He served in the Army in WW1. He married Clarice Ivie Hughes, she came from Westport, on 23 April 1921. In 1914 he was at 246 Gloucester St, probably living with his unmarried sister. The 1919 electoral role indicates he was living at the Arcardia hotel in Gisborne but after that date it would seem that he had moved to live in Australia.

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| **207** | **Roger Charles BLUNT** | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | RHS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christs College | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | West Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born: | 3/11/1900 | Durham UK |  |  | Died | 22/6/1966 | London |  |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |  |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 125 | 25/12/1917 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 17 | ct | 96 | 2 | 47 | 2 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | ct | 84 | 2 | 60 | 4 |  |  |
| 126 | 31/12/1917 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 1 | b | 36 | 0 | 19 | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 32 | ct | 66 | 0 | 55 | 0 |  |  |
| 128 | 30/03/1918 | Otago | Carisbrook | 22 | st | 102 | 3 | 48 | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | ct | 102 | 3 | 44 | 2 |  |  |
| **1918/19 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 129 | 25/12/1918 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 17 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 6 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1919/20 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **132** | **25/12/1919** | **Wellington** | **Hagley Oval** | **73** | **lbw** |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 24 | ct |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |
| **133** | **2/01/1920** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | **72** | **ct** | 64 | 1 | 34 | 2 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **56** | **b** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **134** | **8/01/1920** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 40 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **137** | **no** |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| 135 | 20/02/1920 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 18 | b | 8 | 0 | 4 | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 21 | no |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 136 | 25/12/1920 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 12 | ct | 40 | 1 | 19 | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct | 99 | 2 | 30 | 3 |  |  |
| 137 | 1/01/1921 | Auckland | Hagley Oval | 41 | ct | 24 | 0 | 13 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | ct | 56 | 0 | 38 | 1 |  |  |
| 138 | 18/02/1921 | Otago | Carisbrook | 6 | ct | 40 | 1 | 23 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | ct |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |
| 139 | 23/02/1921 | Southland | Invercargill | 46 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ***140*** | ***11/03/1921*** | ***Australia*** | ***Lancaster Park*** | ***80*** | ***ct*** | 16 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 18 | b | 24 | 0 | 11 | 2 |  |  |
| **1921/22 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 141 | 24/12/1921 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 40 | b | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 32 | ct | 56 | 0 | 22 | 0 |  |  |
| **142** | **31/12/1921** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 39 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **54** | **b** | 24 | 0 | 20 | 0 |  |  |
| **143** | **6/01/1922** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | **57** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | b |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ***144*** | ***23/12/1922*** | ***England*** | ***Lancaster Park*** | *13* | *ct* | *40* | *0* | *22* | *0* |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | ***174*** | ***b*** |  |  |  |  | *1* |  |
| **146** | **26/01/1923** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | **77** | **b** |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | no |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **147** | **23/02/1923** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 44 | b | 17 | 0 | 4 | 1 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **116** | **ct** | 8 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 148 | 25/12/1923 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 45 | b | 8 | 0 | 2 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 35 | ct | 32 | 1 | 19 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 149 | 31/12/1923 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 25 | ct | 8 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 21 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| **150** | **5/01/1924** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | 8 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **104** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 151 | 22/02/1924 | NSW | Lancaster Park | 21 | ct | 48 | 0 | 32 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 17 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 152 | 25/12/1924 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 32 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 24 | b |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| **153** | **1/01/1925** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | **73** | **lbw** | 8 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 39 | ct |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |
| 154 | 6/02/1925 | Otago | Carisbrook | 11 | lbw | 88 | 0 | 39 | 2 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 155 | 27/02/1925 | Victoria | Lancaster Park | 0 | b | 112 | 1 | 57 | 3 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 152 | 0 | 87 | 1 | 1 |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1917/18 | 3 | | 6 | | 0 | 32 | 90 | | 15.00 |  | |  |  | 486 | | 10 | 273 | 10 | 27.3 | 4/60 |  |  | 56.17 | 48.60 |
| 1918/19 | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 17 | 23 | | 11.50 |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1919/20 | 4 | | 8 | | 2 | 137\* | 441 | | 73.50 | 1 | | 3 | 6 | 72 | | 1 | 38 | 3 | 12.67 | 2/34 |  |  | 52.78 | 24.00 |
| 1920/21 | 5 | | 10 | | 0 | 80 | 218 | | 21.80 |  | | 1 | 5 | 299 | | 4 | 141 | 7 | 20.14 | 3/30 |  |  | 47.16 | 42.71 |
| 1921/22 | 3 | | 6 | | 0 | 57 | 223 | | 37.17 |  | | 2 | 2 | 88 | | 0 | 51 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 57.95 |  |
| 1922/23 | 3 | | 6 | | 1 | 174 | 436 | | 87.20 | 2 | | 1 | 2 | 65 | | 0 | 30 | 1 | 30 | 1/4 |  |  | 46.15 | 65.00 |
| 1923/24 | 4 | | 8 | | 0 | 104 | 276 | | 34.50 | 1 | |  | 5 | 96 | | 1 | 60 | 1 | 60 | 1/19 |  |  | 62.50 | 96.00 |
| 1924/25 | 4 | | 7 | | 0 | 73 | 179 | | 25.57 |  | | 1 | 7 | 360 | | 1 | 187 | 6 | 31.17 | 3/57 |  |  | 51.94 | 60.00 |
| **Total** | **27** | | **53** | | **3** | **174** | **1886** | | **37.72** | **4** | | **8** | **27** | **1466** | | **17** | **780** | **28** | **27.86** | **4/60** |  |  | **53.21** | **52.36** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 8 | | 16 | | 2 | 77 | 359 | | 25.64 |  | | 1 | 7 | 624 | | 13 | 317 | 13 | 24.38 | 4/60 |  |  | 50.80 | 48.00 |
| Wellington | 9 | | 18 | | 1 | 137\* | 753 | | 44.29 | 2 | | 3 | 10 | 306 | | 3 | 162 | 6 | 27 | 3/30 |  |  | 52.94 | 51.00 |
| Auckland | 5 | | 10 | | 0 | 104 | 396 | | 39.60 | 1 | | 3 | 5 | 144 | | 1 | 85 | 3 | 28.33 | 2/34 |  |  | 59.03 | 48.00 |
| Southland | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 46 | 55 | | 27.50 |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Australia | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 80 | 98 | | 49.00 |  | | 1 | 1 | 40 | | 0 | 18 | 2 | 9 | 2/11 |  |  | 45.00 | 20.00 |
| England | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 174 | 187 | | 93.50 | 1 | |  | 1 | 40 | | 0 | 22 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 55.00 |  |
| NSW | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 21 | 38 | | 19.00 |  | |  |  | 48 | | 0 | 32 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 66.67 |  |
| Victoria | 1 | | 1 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0.00 |  | |  | 3 | 264 | | 1 | 144 | 4 | 36 | 3/57 |  |  | 54.55 | 66.00 |
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| **Grounds** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eden Park | 3 | | 6 | | 0 | 104 | 298 | | 49.67 | 1 | | 3 |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hagley Park | 7 | | 14 | | 1 | 73 | 268 | | 20.61 |  | | 1 |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carisbrook | 4 | | 8 | | 1 | 77 | 146 | | 20.86 |  | | 1 |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basin | 3 | | 6 | | 1 | 137 | 316 | | 63.20 | 1 | | 1 |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lancaster | 9 | | 17 | | 0 | 174 | 803 | | 47.24 | 2 | | 2 |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Invercargill | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 46 | 55 | | 27.50 |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | |  | | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | | |
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**Blunt** came to New Zealand when he was six months old as his father Professor Thomas Blunt had been appointed to chair the French Department at Canterbury University. He attended Christ’s College from 1913 to 1918 and had two years in the 1st XI, captain in his final year. He was also a prefect in 1918.

He played for the West Christchurch club from 1915 to 1926 and had 80 matches, 97 innings and scored 5,178 runs at an average of 57. There were 22 fifties and 16 centuries and he also took 207 wickets at 20. In the 1923/24 season he hit seven sixes off an eight ball over bowled by Ernie Caygill and went on to score 266 in the very quick time of just under three hours. This remains the second highest score by a Burnside West Christchurch cricketer, behind the 334 not out of HB Lusk in 1915/16 season. He headed the Canterbury first grade aggregates on three consecutive seasons from 1920/21 with 614 runs, 1921/22 with 572 runs, 1922/23 with 621 runs. His best season came in 1924/25 with 1,071 runs, which included six centuries, at 97.4. WA Hadlee holds the club record with 1,110 runs in the 1941/42 season.

Blunt was first selected for Canterbury while still at school and had great success with the ball in his debut taking six wickets in the match. In the first innings he took the wickets of the first two batsmen and in the second innings he claimed the first four. His batting came of age three years later in the 1919/20 season when he scored 441 runs at 73, the highlight being when he batted through the innings against Wellington to score 137 and become the first Canterbury player to achieve that feat. Wellington required 360 runs for victory but in a close exciting finish they staved off defeat and were nine down for 288 at the close. Another successful season was the 1922/23 year when he scored 436 runs with an innings of 174, 25 fours, against the MCC the highlight. Canterbury had to follow on and Blunt and Worker put on 208 for the first wicket but the remaining batsmen collapsed and the team was all out for 295, losing the last nine wickets for 87. Two months later he was again in dominating form when Canterbury played Wellington at Lancaster Park. Canterbury were 145 runs behind after the first innings but led by Blunt’s 116, scored in 270 minutes with 13 fours, they recovered in the second innings to post 432. Wellington were dismissed for 173 and lost by 114 runs.

At the end of the 1924/25 season Blunt moved to Otago and had six seasons for the province. His highest first class score of 338 not out came against Canterbury in December 1931. Otago were behind by 311 runs when Otago began their second innings and they were nine for 405 when Hawkesworth joined Blunt. The two then had a remarkable last wicket partnership of 184 runs scored in 106 minutes, Blunt scoring 163 runs of them and he hit a total of 41 fours in all. Canterbury eventually won the match scoring the 279 required with the loss of seven wickets.

Blunt first played for New Zealand in March 1921 against Australia and thereafter for the next ten years he was clearly New Zealand’s most outstanding batsman. He toured England in 1927 scoring 1,540 runs at 44.0 and took 78 wickets at 24.9. He toured again in1931 scoring 1,592 runs at 43.02 and took 34 wickets at 34. His highest score in the 1931 tour of 225 not out was made against the Gentlemen of England. His highest career test score came in the 1st test played at Lords in June 1931 when he score 96.

At the end of the 1931/32 season he left New Zealand to take up a business appointment with Sir Julien Cahn in Nottingham. Blunt toured North America with Cahn’s team in August, September 1933 playing over 19 matches. He continued to play a number of matches for Cahn over the next few years and was involved in many matches during the WW2 such as the one innings match between the British Empire and the Royal Air Force. He was a strong supporter of the London New Zealand cricket club and one of his last matches was for the club against the MCC in May 1954 at the Oval. Blunt was described by some as “quiet, meticulous, charming and mild mannered”. Reese said “he was always stylish, sometimes brilliant, he was nearly always, after the first few overs, at least, certain of himself and certain of his way and firmly took it”.

Blunt had a year teaching at Christ’s College in 1920. He is remembered in Christchurch club cricket by the RC Blunt Trophy which is awarded each year to the player making the most runs in Christchurch first grade cricket. In 1928 Blunt is listed as living with his parents at 19 Carlton Mill Rd and also at 300 High St in Dundin, either a costing clerk or a salesman.

In England Blunt worked for the Cake and Biscuit Alliance company and married a German lady, Helen, and was for a time interned early in the Second World War. He was a Wisden Cricketer of the year in 1928 and later in 1965 awarded the MBE. He died from cancer.

His full career was 123 matches, 209 innings for 7,953 runs at 41. He took 214 wickets at 31.

He played 9 tests and scored 330 runs in 13 innings at 27.50, highest score 96.

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| **208** | **Harold Cooper Watson** | | |  |  |  |  |  |
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| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | West Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 24/12/1879 | Notts England |  |  | Died | 2/07/1958 | Auckland |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |  |  |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 125 | 25/1/21917 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 3 | b | 1 |  |  |
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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1917/18 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1.50 |  |  | 2 |

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**Watson,** born in England, was the club professional at the Clifton cricket club in Swinton Lancashire from 1902 to 1905. The club was founded in 1874 and the club’s history suggests that he travelled along with his brother Leo to try his luck in New Zealand.

Shortly after his arrival in August 1906 Watson was appointed caretaker and groundsman at Carisbrook Watson was to play nine games for Otago from 1907 to 1915 scoring198 runs in 18 innings at an average of 11. On his debut match against Canterbury in December 1907 Watson was out first ball to a brilliant catch by Moorhouse, rather reflecting his first class career. Brother Leo played one match for Otago in December 1911.

After 10 years in Dunedin Watson moved to Christchurch in 1916 and had two seasons with the West Christchurch club playing 21 matches and scoring 1,327 runs at the good average of 39. He had six half centuries and one century and in addition bowled 2,244 balls and took 51 wickets at 21. In the 1916/17 and 1917/18 seasons he headed the Christchurch club aggregates with 512 and 553 runs respectively. He coached at Christ’s College for five years from 1917 to 1922.

In the winter he played for the Linwood rugby club. Watson had previously played rugby in Dunedin for the Zingari club and was at full back for Otago when they played Canterbury on 19 September 1914, Otago lost 31 to 8.

In 1921 a subcommittee of Reese and Wilding was formed by the Victory Park Board to consider improvements to the outfield and match wickets and Watson was consulted due to his great knowledge regarding seed, fertilizer and the various top dressings available.

He later moved to Wellington and had one match against Otago in January 1924 making 29 and 0. In 1930 Watson became the groundsman at Eden Park, living at 45 Walters Rd. He acted as umpire in some first class matches and in a Veterans match Auckland against Wellington in March 1940.

Florence, his wife, died in 1962 aged 85.and they had four daughters and two sons.

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| **209** | **James Campbell Hay** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |
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| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |
| Club | St Albans |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 28/12/1885 | Akaroa |  | Died | 18/10/1936 | Pidgeon Bay |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| 125 | 25/12/1917 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 5 | b |  |
|  |  |  |  | 16 | ct |  |
| 126 | 31/12/1917 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 14 | b |  |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | st |  |
| 127 | 21/01/1918 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 0 | ro | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 18 | b |  |
| 128 | 30/03/1918 | Otago | Carisbrook | 0 | b | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |
| 1918/19 Season | |  |  |  |  |  |
| 131 | 23/02/1919 | Auckland | Hagley Oval | 0 | ct |  |
|  |  |  |  | 30 | b |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1917/18 | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 19 | 72 | 9.00 |  |  | 2 |
| 1918/19 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 30 | 30 | 15.00 |  |  |  |
| **Total** | **5** | | **10** | **0** | | **49** | **102** | **10.20** |  |  | **2** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Otago | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 6 | 21 | 5.25 |  |  | 1 |
| Wellington | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 19 | 51 | 12.75 |  |  | 1 |
| Auckland | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 30 | 30 | 15.00 |  |  |  |
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**Hay** attended Christchurch BHS from 1899 to 1903 and was a member of a very well known Banks Peninsula family.

His grandfather, Ebenezer, arrived in Wellington in February 1840. After three years and unable to get land he moved to Pidgeon Bay in February 1843. Hay’s father, James was born in Petone in1841 and along with his brother Tom they developed the Pidgeon Bay farm and became successful farmers and stockbreeders. The farm “Annadale” was split up in 1882 and James moved into a cottage called “The Glen”. In 1897 James went abroad for a trip, later retiring to Turret House in Bealey Avenue. From there he wrote a book on “Early Canterbury” which was published in 1915. He died in 1922.

James Campbell Hay was his only son who in 1915 built a fine home called Glenralloch which had been designed by Cecil Wood. His two sons, James and Donald farmed adjacent properties and family still continue to own land in Pidgeon Bay perpetuating the name of the family which has been in continuous occupation for over a 160 years.

On his first class debut Hay batted at three in the first innings and then opened with Harold Watson in the second innings. Canterbury was tied with Otago after the completion of the first innings but was able to roll the opposition for only 104 and won the match by five wickets. This was an unusual match in that 16 players were making their first class debuts with nine from Canterbury. Hay opened the batting in both innings in his second match and had partnerships of 39 and 59. The match was drawn. Against Wellington in January 1918 Canterbury led by six runs on the first innings and although they made 229 in their second effort Wellington reached the target with only three wickets lost. In the final match of the season, again batting at three and opening, Hay had a pair in a match that Otago won by seven wickets.

Hay only played one match the following season which Canterbury won by 192 runs. They had a lead of 149 and Hay with his 30 and with six other batsmen who reached double figures Canterbury scored 288 to give them an easy victory. He was lost to cricket after that match concentrating on his farming career.

James Hay married Catherine Maud Bunning on April 6 1914, she died in 1966 aged 78.

(Gordon Ogilvie)

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| **210** | **Everard George Perrin** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| LHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | East Christchurch/Lancaster Park | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 8/9/1890 | Bulls |  |  | Died | 25/12/1945 | Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls Faced** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |  |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 125 | 25/12/1917 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 9 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 21 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 126 | **31/12/1917** | **Wellington** | **Hagley Oval** | **64** | **st** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | ro |  | 18 | 0 | 26 | 0 |  |  |
| 127 | 21/01/1918 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 10 | b |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1918/19 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 129 | 25/12/1918 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 0 | b |  | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | b |  | 36 | 0 | 19 | 0 |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** |
| 1917/18 | 3 | | 6 | | 0 | 64 | 118 | 19.67 |  | 1 | 1 | 18 | 0 | 26 | 0 |  |  | 144.44 |
| 1918/19 | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 12 | 12 | 6.00 |  |  |  | 42 | 0 | 20 | 0 |  |  | 47.62 |
| **Total** | **4** | | **8** | | **0** | **64** | **130** | **16.25** |  | **1** | **1** | **60** | **0** | **46** | **0** |  |  | **76.67** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** |
| Otago | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 21 | 30 | 15.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wellington | 3 | | 6 | | 0 | 64 | 100 | 16.67 |  | 1 | 1 | 60 | 0 | 46 | 0 |  |  | 76.67 |
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**Perrin** was a member of the Lancaster Park club for over 18 seasons from 1910 to 1927 and had a very consistent and successful career. He played 86 matches and in 146 innings scored 3,216 runs at 25 with a highest score of 90. He collected 114 wickets at 20.6 and took five wickets in an innings on four occasions and once ten wickets in a match. Before he joined the Lancaster Park club Perrin had played for the Richmond cricket club, a club he played rugby for in 1908/1909 and was their goal kicker. A brother Karl was secretary of the Lancaster Park club from 1922 to 1929.

In his 64 against Wellington in December 1917 Reese records that in the first innings “he played the rock game while 150 runs were scored”. He top scored in a team total of 244 but after a declaration Wellington were left to score over 400 for victory. A much better batting display saw them reach 312/5 at the close and achieve a draw. Perrin achieved little success in the remainder of his career and in his last match against Wellington Canterbury were defeated and the Plunket Shield went to Wellington for the first time.

He married Lilian Ponnsford, who was born in Melbourne, on January 20 1921, she was aged 30. They had a child Beverley born on March 1 1921 but by December 1921 they had separated and were living apart. They were divorced in 1925 on the ground of mutual consent and had been living apart for three years. At the time of the divorce Perrin was living in Richmond Terrace and working for Hurst and Drake. He was a lead light maker.

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| **211** | **Ivan Douglas Allardyce** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |
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| School | CBHS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Sydenham |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 15/4/1895 | Christchurch |  | Died | 14/11/1967 | Foxton |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Caught** |  |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 125 | 25/12/1917 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 39 | ct |  |  |
| **126** | **31/12/1917** | **Wellington** | **Hagley Oval** | 35 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **60** | **ct** |  |  |
| 127 | 21/01/1918 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 33 | st |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | b |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1917/18 | 3 | | 5 | 0 | | 60 | 174 | 34.80 |  | 1 |  |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Otago | 1 | | 1 | 0 | | 39 | 39 | 39.00 |  |  |  |
| Wellington | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 60 | 135 | 33.75 |  | 1 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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**Allardyce** as a young man served overseas in World War 1. He was a rifleman but after becoming being seriously wounded early in 1917 he was rehabilitated back to New Zealand. Once fully recovered on his return to Christchurch he joined the Sydenham club.

In his second first class match in December 1917 he had a good double against Wellington. The innings was described by Reese “as hitting hard with forceful cricket”. Batting at five he had a number of excellent partnerships in both innings and when Canterbury declared leaving Wellington 415 to win they were 312/5, at the close of play, a draw was the result. Three weeks later he was playing another match against Wellington and batting at three his 33 was second top score in a total of 159. Canterbury gained a lead of 6 runs and their 228 gave the opposition a target of 234 which they achieved with the loss of three wickets. This was Wellington’s their first victory over the province since the 1909/10 season and in doing so they won the Plunket Shield.

Allardyce then moved to Wellington and the following season he had one match for Wellington which against Canterbury. Batting at eight he scored 4 and 5 in a match that Wellington won by two wickets.

He played at least three other non first class games. For Wanganui against North Taranaki in January1923 scoring 3 and 12 not out, for Marlborough against Nelson in December 1924 scoring 1 and 5 and against Nelson in December 1925 scoring 8 and 0.

In 1928 Allardyce was living at Wither Run in Blenheim and working as a poultry farmer. By 1946 he had moved to Heretaunga and was a clerk and three years later he was a caterer living in Auckland. In 1957 he was the gardener at the Marton school and by 1963 he had retired to Foxton beach.

Allardyce married Gwynneth Espie in 1940. He was one of four children born to Janet and William Allardyce. Mavis was born 1897, Alan born 1893 and Alexis born 1903.

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| **212** | **Daniel Whitelaw Reese** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | St Albans |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 19/10/1898 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 11//1/1954 | Victoria Australia | |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |  |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 125 | 25/12/1917 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 128 | 30/03/1918 | Otago | Carisbrook | 4 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 137 | 1/01/1921 | Auckland | Hagley Oval | 13 | b | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b | 16 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 138 | **18/02/1921** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | 1 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 27 | ct | **56** | **1** | **33** | **5** |  |  |
| 139 | 23/2/19121 | Southland | Invercargill | 1 | b | 16 | 0 | 14 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 140 | 11/03/1921 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 16 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1917/18 | 2 | 3 | | 0 | | 7 | 11 | | 3.67 |  | |  | 1 | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1920/21 | 4 | 8 | | 0 | | 27 | 60 | | 7.50 |  | |  | 1 | | 96 | 1 | 52 | 5 | 10.4 | 5/33 | 1 |  | 54.17 | 19.20 |
| **Total** | **6** | **11** | | **0** | | **27** | **71** | | **6.45** |  | |  | **2** | | **96** | **1** | **52** | **5** | **10.4** | **5/33** | **1** |  | **54.17** | **19.20** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 3 | 5 | | 0 | | 27 | 39 | | 7.80 |  | |  | 1 | | 56 | 1 | 33 | 5 | 6.6 | 5/33 | 1 |  | 58.93 | 11.20 |
| Auckland | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 13 | 13 | | 6.50 |  | |  | 1 | | 24 | 0 | 5 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 20.83 |  |
| Southland | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 1 | 1 | | 0.50 |  | |  |  | | 16 | 0 | 14 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 87.50 |  |
| Australia | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 16 | 18 | | 9.00 |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | |
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**Reese**, the son of TW Reese (no 112), attended Christchurch BHS from 1908 to 1918. He was the senior monitor and captain of the 1st XI in 1917 and 1918.

Reese was a member of the St Albans club from 1917 to 1927. He played in 46 matches and scored 1,482 runs in 68 innings at an average of 24. Highest score was 132 and in all he made two centuries and four half centuries. He took 56 wickets at 26 bowling 2,155 balls.

His best bowling performance in first class cricket came in a match where both teams had low scores in the first innings, Canterbury opened with 138 and Otago replied with 147. Otago made 307 in their second innings and may have scored more until Reese “bowling fast with a gale behind him” took four of the last five wickets and Otago collapsed from five for 267 to be all out for 308. Canterbury lost by 94 runs only making 205 in their second innings.

Reese and his father remain the only instance in New Zealand cricket of playing a match together which occurred in March 1918 against Otago at Carisbrook. Tom Reese at the age of 51 out scored his son with scores of 17 and 1.

In 1919 Reese was living at 102 Rossall St and was a timber salesman. By 1928 he had moved to Timaru with his wife Dorothy and was at 166 Wai-iti Rd. He later moved to Australia and was living at 471 St Kilda St Elwood when he died. He left a son David.

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| **213** | **James Gray** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Sydenham |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 15/3/1885 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 17/11/1975 | Christchurch |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **125 c** | 25/12/1917 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 20 | ct | 24 | 2 | 12 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 32 | st |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| **126 c** | 31/12/1917 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 11 | st |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | ct | 18 | 0 | 13 | 0 |  |
| 127 | **21/01/1918** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 9 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **87** | **b** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **128 c** | 30/03/1918 | Otago | Carisbrook | 9 | lbw | **162** | **10** | **44** | **7** | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 10 | b | 133 | 10 | 43 | 1 | 1 |
| **1918/19 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 129 | **25/12/1918** | **Wellington** | **Hagley Oval** | 35 | ct | 9 | 0 | 4 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **100** | **ct** | 36 | 4 | 10 | 0 |  |
| 130 | 22/01/1919 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 4 | ct | 18 | 0 | 14 | 0 |  |
| 131 | 21/02/1919 | Auckland | Hagley Oval | 25 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 28 | no |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1919/20 season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 132 | 25/12/1919 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 133 | 2/01/1920 | Auckland | Eden Park | 1 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 10 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| 134 | 8/01/1920 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 4 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 14 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1917/18 | 4 | | 8 | | 0 | 87 | 183 | | 22.88 |  | 1 | | 4 | | 337 | 22 | 112 | 8 | 14.00 | 7/44 | 1 |  | 33.23 | 42.13 |
| 1918/19 | 3 | | 5 | | 1 | 100 | 192 | | 48.00 | 1 |  | |  | | 63 | 4 | 28 | 1 | 28.00 | 1/4 |  |  | 44.44 | 63.00 |
| 1919/20 | 3 | | 5 | | 0 | 14 | 29 | | 5.80 |  |  | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total** | **10** | | **18** | | **1** | **100** | **404** | | **23.76** | **1** | **1** | | **4** | | **400** | **26** | **140** | **9** | **15.56** | **7/44** | **1** |  | **35.00** | **44.44** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 2 | | 4 | | 0 | 32 | 71 | | 17.75 |  |  | | 3 | | 319 | 22 | 99 | 8 | 12.38 | 7/44 |  |  | 31.03 | 39.88 |
| Wellington | 6 | | 10 | | 0 | 100 | 269 | | 26.90 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 81 | 4 | 41 | 1 | 41.00 | 1/4 |  |  | 50.62 | 81.00 |
| Auckland | 2 | | 4 | | 1 | 28 | 64 | | 21.33 |  |  | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | |  | | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | |
| b | | 4 | |  | | | | b | | | | 5 | |
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**Gray** will remain in Christchurch club records forever as the holder of the highest first grade score of 343 not out which he achieved in the 1917/18 season playing against Christ’s College. This beat by one run the previous highest score of 342 not out by HB Lusk in the 1915/16 season. College were in first grade due to the war and batting first were dismissed for 185. At stumps Sydenham were 248 for one with Gray 151 not out. On the second day Sydenham declared at 597 for four, there were 77 extras, and College were dismissed for 86. Roger Blunt was in the College team. Gray was a member of the Sydenham club from1911/12 to 1925/26 and played 134 first grade matches and scored 4,125 runs in 197 innings. There were five centuries and eleven half centuries. He also took 180 wickets at 19 and on nine occasions took five wickets in an innings. He captained the senior team in 1914/15, 1918/19 and 1920/21 when it won the competition. Gray worked on the general committee of the Sydenham club for a number of years and in 1922 he captained the second grade B team which mainly consisted of younger players. Gray had a brief spell on the CCA competitions committee in 1922/23. He became a life member of the Sydenham club in 1926 and his death is simply recorded in the 1975/76 annual report without any acknowledge of his outstanding career.

On his debut for Canterbury he captained the side, only five players have achieved that honour. In his third match he made 87 by “forceful cricket” but Canterbury lost by seven wickets. Reese records an unusual experience when Gray was bowled with one bail falling off but that remained unnoticed till after the umpire had called over. The following season he scored his only first class century. Canterbury were 121 runs behind when they went into bat again and they quickly lost wickets to Brice’s fast deliveries to be five for 80. Gray and Jones put on 120 for the sixth wicket and then Gray with Brunton added another 70 runs and helped Canterbury to reach 345. Gray hit 14 fours in his century. Wellington reached their target with eight wickets down, the ninth wicket partnership was unbroken and put on 38 runs to win the match. In March 1918 playing against Otago he achieved his best bowling figures and helped Canterbury to a first innings lead of 20. However they failed in their second innings being all out for 110 and Otago reached their target with three wickets down. Gray’s bowling figures of seven for 44 are the second best ever achieved by a captain, just behind Fred Wilding’s figures of seven for 31.

Gray died at the Burwood hospital, his wife Lilla who he had married in 1906 had died earlier in 1965. They had three daughters and two sons. Messages were to be sent to 6 Miller St Beckenham. Gray was a builder.

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| **214** | **Rex Hall Booth** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Sydenham/West Christchurch | | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 9/7/1893 | Christchurch |  | Died | 25/4/1967 | Christchurch | |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |  |  |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 125 | 25/12/1917 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 31 | b |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | no |  |  |  |
| 126 | 31/12/1917 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 2 | b |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 22 | ct |  |  |  |
| 127 | 21/01/1918 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 0 | b |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |  |  |
| 128 | 30/03/1918 | Otago | Carisbrook | 49 | no |  |  |  |
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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 19171/8 | 4 | | 8 | 2 | | 49\* | 106 | 17.67 |  |  |  |
|  |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Otago | 2 | | 4 | 2 | | 49\* | 82 | 41.00 |  |  |  |
| Wellington | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 22 | 24 | 6.00 |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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| ro | | 1 | | |

**Booth** attended Christchurch BHS from 1908 to 1912. He was a member of the Sydenham club for two seasons from 1917 to 1919. In 1918/19 he had 11 innings and scored 406 runs at 36.9, highest score was 139. Later as a member of the West Christchurch club from 1924 to 1930 he had 53 innings for 860 runs at an average of 17. He took four wickets at 36 bowling 174 balls. Booth was club captain for two seasons from 1926 to 1928.

His top first class score of 49 not out came in March 1918 in a game dominated by Otago. Booth came to the wicket with Canterbury at five for 57. He added 50 runs with Tom Reese but Canterbury only made 161. They had another poor batting performance in their second innings and Otago only need 131 for victory, this they achieved with three wickets down.

Booth was living in Opawa in 1914 and listed as an engineer. Booth married Waveney Isabel Bowbyes in 1952 and there were no children mentioned in his will of 30 October 1959. In 1963 he was a draughtsman living in Bellvue Avenue Papanui.

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| **215** | **Herbert Forsyth** | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |
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| LHB | W/K |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Lancaster Park | |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 8/7/1896 | Christchurch |  | Died | 3/05/1969 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** |  |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| 125 | 25/12/1917 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 1 | no |  |
| 126 | 31/12/1917 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 3 | ct |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 19171/8 | 2 | | 3 | 1 | | 3 | 4 | 2.00 |  |  |  |
|  |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Otago | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 1\* | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Wellington | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 3 | 3 | 1.50 |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
| b | | 1 | | |
| ct | | 1 | | |

**Forsyth** was a member of the Lancaster Park team that won the senior championship in 1917/18 but he had a very short career with the club, playing less than 20 senior matches. Forsyth was secretary of the club from 1917 to 1920 and played for the CCA against the NZC on March 17 ???????? V

In his debut first class match he batted at eleven and in a low scoring game Otgao made 171 and 104. Canterbury reached their target of 110 with the loss of five wickets. The match was completed in two days. Forsyth was promoted to ten in his second match and when Canterbury declared at 293 for nine in their second innings Wellington required 415 for victory. The match was drawn when Wellington were 312 for five.

He married Dorothy Smith on December 30 1925, she died in 1974 at the age of 73. In 1928 they were living at Waipara and he was a train examiner. They continued to live there until 1946 when they moved to Lowe St in Riccarton, still working for the Railways. By 1957 he was now termed a storeman. They had two children and when he died in 1969 son John was living in Ashburton and daughter Sylvia was living in Christchurch.

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| **216** | **Robert Henry North** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Riccarton/East Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 21/9/1883 | Dunedin |  |  | Died | 8/06/1952 | Christchurch | |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 126 | **31/12/1917** | **Wellington** | **Hagley Oval** | 40 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **75** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 127 | 21/01/1918 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 18 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| 128 | 30/03/1918 | Otago | Carisbrook | 22 | ct | 12 | 0 | 9 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | b |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1917/18 | 3 | 6 | | 0 | | 75 | 166 | 27.67 |  | 1 |  | 12 | 0 | 9 | 0 |  |  | 75.00 |  |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Wellington | 2 | 4 | | 0 | | 75 | 140 | 35.00 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Otago | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 22 | 26 | 13.00 |  |  |  | 12 | 0 | 9 | 0 |  |  | 75.00 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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**North**, the son of TH North (no 139) and known as Harry, had a short first class career but he spent a life time in cricket administration. He played for East Christchurch from 1905 to 1915 scoring 660 runs in 65 innings and 44 matches with an average of 11. He took 16 wickets at 24. On moving to Riccarton his career improved and he scored three centuries for his new club with 156 against East his highest score. North was club captain and treasurer from 1915 to 1918. He was a member of the Riccarton champion winning team in 1919/20. He then joined St Albans and for the next nine years he played another 57 matches and in 83 innings he scored 1,385 runs at 20, with a highest score of 75 not out. He took14 wickets at an average of 19. North was involved with one of the largest partnership ever recorded in club cricket. In 1926/27 along with N Doreen they put on 311 runs unfinished for the fourth wicket against West Christchurch. Doreen scored 226 and North’s contribution was 65 and the innings was declared at 505 for four. He was St Albans club captain from 1923 to 1944.

North had a very good debut match opening the batting in both innings. His 75 in the second innings was the top score and Canterbury declared at 293 for nine. The match was drawn with Wellington five wickets down chasing 415.

He joined the CCA in 1924 and was Chairman from 1941/42 to 1943/44 and President from 1944 to 1947. He was a school teacher and began his career in 1899 at Opawa before moving to New Brighton, Greendale, Riccarton, Elmwood and Linwood Avenue. He was head master at both the Prebbleton and Aranui schools.

North was honoured with life membership of the St Albans cricket club, the HSOB rugby club and the Canterbury Cricket Association. He managed many Canterbury rugby and cricket teams.

North married Ruby Ruth Berry on March 7 1907 at the Christchurch Registry office, they were both 22. They had one child Clifford Hargreaves, born July 30 1907 who died in 1967. Sadly Ruth was confined to the Sunnyside Medical Hospital on January 22 1917 where she remained for the rest of her life. She died in 1963 aged 78. Divorce proceedings were began in July 1950 on the grounds that she was of unsound mind and unlikely to recover. It was made absolute in June 1951. As a couple they were living at 36 Elizabeth St Riccarton in 1919. By 1928 North at moved to 15 Ayr St where he died in 1952. According to his will his sole beneficiary was Ada, a widowed sister living in Whakaktane.

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| **217** | **James Nankivelle McEwin** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | RLB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Sydenham/East Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 11/9/1898 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 13/06/1979 | Christchurch | |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 126 | 31/12/1917 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 8 | no | 97 | 0 | 54 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 8 | no | 90 | 0 | 73 | 0 |  |
| **1918/19 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 129 | 25/12/1918 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 14 | b | 24 | 0 | 36 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 27 | b | 42 | 0 | 30 | 1 |  |
| 130 | **22/01/1919** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 12 | ct | **174** | **0** | **108** | **5** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **174** | **2** | **87** | **5** |  |
| 131 | 21/02/1919 | Auckland | Hagley Oval | 17 | b | 141 | 5 | 54 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | ct | 174 | 7 | 63 | 3 |  |
| **1919/20 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 132 | 25/12/1919 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 10 | b | 72 | 0 | 38 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 72 | 1 | 27 | 2 |  |
| 133 | 2/01/1920 | Auckland | Eden Park | 3 | st | 240 | 3 | 108 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 39 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| 134 | 8/01/1920 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 25 | b | 152 | 5 | 54 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 16 | ct | 96 | 1 | 33 | 2 |  |
| 135 | 20/02/1920 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 6 | b | 48 | 1 | 14 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 32 | 1 | 12 | 0 |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 137 | 1/01/1921 | Auckland | Hagley Oval | 10 | ct | 240 | 3 | 89 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | no | 88 | 0 | 49 | 0 | 1 |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 146 | 26/01/1923 | Otago | Carisbrook | 3 | no | 16 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 40 | 1 | 15 | 0 |  |
| **1925/26 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 156 | 25/12/1925 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 0 | ct | 32 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 88 | 1 | 36 | 2 |  |
| 157 | 1/01/1926 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 1 | lbw | 128 | 0 | 77 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 10 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 158 | 8/01/1926 | Auckland | Eden Park | 26 | lbw | 192 | 1 | 112 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 28 | lbw | 40 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 1 |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 163 | 31/12/1927 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 17 | no | 102 | 2 | 60 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | no |  |  |  |  |  |
| 164 | 6/01/1928 | Auckland | Eden Park | 2 | no | 60 | 2 | 30 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | no |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1917/18 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | 8\* | 16 | |  |  |  | |  | 187 | | 0 | 127 | 4 | 31.75 | 4/54 |  |  | 67.91 | 46.75 |
| 1918/19 | 3 | 5 | | 0 | | 27 | 73 | | 14.60 |  |  | |  | 729 | | 14 | 378 | 15 | 25.2 | 5/87 | 2 | 1 | 51.85 | 48.60 |
| 1919/20 | 4 | 6 | | 0 | | 39 | 99 | | 16.50 |  |  | |  | 712 | | 12 | 286 | 12 | 23.83 | 3/54 |  |  | 40.17 | 59.33 |
| 1920/21 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | 10 | 15 | | 15.00 |  |  | | 2 | 328 | | 3 | 138 | 1 | 138.0 | 1/89 |  |  | 42.07 | 328.00 |
| 1922/23 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 3\* | 3 | |  |  |  | |  | 56 | | 1 | 19 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 33.93 |  |
| 1925/26 | 3 | 5 | | 0 | | 28 | 65 | | 13.00 |  |  | | 3 | 480 | | 2 | 265 | 5 | 53.00 | 2/36 |  |  | 55.21 | 96.00 |
| 1926/27 | 2 | 4 | | 4 | | 17\* | 32 | |  |  |  | | 1 | 162 | | 4 | 90 | 3 | 30.00 | 2/60 |  |  | 55.56 | 54.00 |
| **Total** | **15** | **25** | | **8** | | **39** | **303** | | **17.82** |  |  | | **6** | **2654** | | **36** | **1303** | **40** | **32.58** | **5/87** | **2** | **1** | **49.10** | **66.35** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Wellington | 7 | 12 | | 4 | | 27 | 157 | | 19.63 |  |  | | 3 | 1223 | | 11 | 677 | 26 | 26.04 | 5/87 | 2 | 1 | 55.36 | 47.04 |
| Auckland | 5 | 10 | | 3 | | 39 | 137 | | 19.57 |  |  | | 3 | 1175 | | 21 | 533 | 9 | 59.22 | 3/63 |  |  | 45.36 | 130.56 |
| Otago | 3 | 3 | | 1 | | 6 | 9 | | 4.50 |  |  | |  | 256 | | 4 | 93 | 5 | 18.60 | 2/14 |  |  | 125.00 | 51.20 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | | |
| b | | | 7 | |  | | | b | | | | 13 | | |
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| lbw | | | 4 | |  | | | kct | | | | 1 | | |
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**McEwin**, known as Cocky, was a clever right hand leg spinner who played for East Christchurch and Sydenham. McEwin played 93 matches for Sydenham scoring 2,058 runs at 16 with one century and six half centuries. He took 454 wickets at 16 and on 40 occasions took five wickets in an innings and on seven occasions 10 wickets in a match. At the age of seventeen he took 61 wickets at 9.8 and in the 1917/18 season he took 70 wickets. He joined East Christchurch in 1925 and over the next three years he took 118 wickets at 19. McEwin played 29 matches and in 40 innings he made 1,104 runs at 29. There were seven half centuries and his highest score was 95. He headed the Christchurch first grade bowling figures in 1927/28 with 64 wickets. After he retired he helped with coaching the young players at the Sydenham club and also had a time as selector for the club in the 1950’s.

McEwin had a long first class career career with good success, although quite expensive. His ten wicket match bag in January 1919 against Wellington was an important part of Canterbury’s seven wicket victory. They were 185 runs in arrears when Wellington batted in their second innings but McEwin and McBeath rolled them for 163 and with Jones. Patrick and Thomas batting well and having “charmed lives” they quickly reached the target of 303 and won the Plunket Shield. McEwin had the unfortunate experience a month later of playing against Auckland and “dropping a simple catch” off McBeath when McBeath had already taken the first nine wickets. McEwin then took the last wicket five runs later.

McEwin was one the second of seven children born to George and Emily McEwin. In 1919 he was living at 440 Colombo St and was a confectioner. In 1935 he was still at the same address living with George McEwin, his brother. In 1938 Emily McEwin, his mother, was at the same address and both were also listed at 67 Springfield Rd. By 1954 McEwin had moved to 72 Durham St, living alone and was a labourer. He remained there for the rest of his life.

No marriage was found.

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| **218** | **Arthur Charles Fuller** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | W/K |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | West Christchurch/Riccarton | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 9/8/1880 | Christchurch |  | Died | 27/09/1947 | Christchurch | |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** | **Stumpings** |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 127 | 21/01/1918 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 7 | ct |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | b |  |  |
| 128 | 30/03/1918 | Otago | Carisbrook | 3 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 31 | ct |  |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 138 | 18/02/1921 | Otago | Carisbrook | 5 | b | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | no |  |  |
| 139 | 23/02/1921 | Southland | Invercargill | 3 | no | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 11 | b | 1 |  |
| **1921/22 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 141 | 24/12/1921 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 4 | b |  | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 142 | 31/12/1921 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 9 | ct |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | b |  |  |
| 143 | 6/01/1922 | Auckland | Eden Park | 0 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |  |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 145 | 29/12/1922 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 31 | no | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | b | 1 |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 148 | 25/12/1923 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 1 | no | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | no |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| 1917/18 | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 31 | 44 | 11.00 |  |  |  | 1 |
| 1920/21 | 2 | | 4 | 2 | | 11 | 20 | 10.00 |  |  | 3 |  |
| 1921/22 | 3 | | 5 | 0 | | 9 | 17 | 3.40 |  |  | 1 | 3 |
| 1922/23 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 31\* | 38 | 38.00 |  |  | 2 | 1 |
| 1923/24 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | 12\* | 13 |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| **Total** | **9** | | **17** | **5** | | **31\*** | **132** | **11.00** |  |  | **7** | **6** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| Wellington | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 9 | 23 | 5.75 |  |  |  | 2 |
| Otago | 4 | | 7 | 3 | | 31 | 57 | 14.25 |  |  | 2 | 3 |
| Auckland | 2 | | 4 | 1 | | 31\* | 38 | 12.67 |  |  | 3 | 1 |
| Southland | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 11 | 14 | 14.00 |  |  | 2 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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| ct | | 4 | | |

**Fuller AC** was known as Ernie and as a member of the West Christchurch club’s first grade team from 1905 to 1912 he played 48 matches scoring 737 runs at 13 with a highest score of 104. He took 13 wickets at 27 and had 12 catches and 7 stumpings. He then joined the Riccarton club and played senior cricket until the 1928/29 season scoring 2,152 runs at 17.8 with 8 centuries. He made 92 catches and 61 stumpings in his 114 matches. Fuller was a member of the 1919/20 team that won the first grade competition and was captain when they again won the grade in 1926/27.

Fuller in his debut first class match, batting at 11 with Reg Read, helped Canterbury to reach 159 after they were eight down for 97. They dismissed Wellington for 153 and gained a first innings lead but Wellington were able to make the 235 runs for victory with only three wickets down. In his second match a few weeks later batting at three, after batting at ten in the first innings, he top scored with 31 and Canterbury only reached 110. Otago won easily by seven wickets. Another 13 matches and three seasons passed before he again played for Canterbury In the Auckland match of December 1922 he batted at ten and equaled his top score with another 31. He and Rix put on 29 for the last wicket and Canterbury made 358. They won the match by 66 runs.

Fuller played for a Christchurch team against Ashburton in January 22 1921 and scored 54 in 241/5 when rain stopped the game. Ashburton had earlier scored 325.

He married Florrie Jones on 6 November 1907 at St Michael’s church at the age of 33, she was 24 and came from Chelsea. He was a shop engineer his parents were painters. In 1919 they were living at 24 Coronation St Spreydon and he was a fireman. By 1928 they had moved to 261 Cashel St and Fuller was crane driver working for NZ Railways. The 1935 electoral role shows that they were now living in Cheviot and running a boarding house from a private hotel. A final move in 1946 was to 6 Cashel St and still a boarding house keeper.

A record of his military service from 1899 to 1902 is lodged with Archives NZ.

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| **219** | **Leslie Albert Chester Gordon** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | St Albans |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 1882 Richmond Victoria |  |  | Died 28/10/1946 Christchurch |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |  |
| **1917/18 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 128 | 30/03/1918 | Otago | Carisbrook | 19 | ro | 36 | 2 | 10 | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 11 | b | 18 | 1 | 4 | 0 |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1917/18 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 19 | 30 | 15.00 |  |  |  | 54 | 3 | 14 | 0 |  |  | 25.93 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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**Gordon** career falls into the relatively unknown category. There is no mention of him in the St Albans cricket club’s history and no record of his first grade career. However he played senior grade cricket from the 1916/17 season until 1919/20. He had a very good season in 1917/18 with scores of 70, 45, 35, and a century of 101 against Christchurch Boys High School.

In his debut match he batted at nine and eight and although Canterbury had a lead of 20 they collapsed to be all out for 110 in their second innings. Otago scored 131 and won by seven wickets. Gordon opened the bowling but had little success.

Early Press club match reports give his initials as LS but later matches in 1920 and in his first class match his initials are LA. These are also used in the CCA annual report of 1946/47 recording his death. He is registered as enlisting for WW1.

Gordon married Florence Shaw on April 21 1909 in the St Pauls Church Papanui. He was a wharehouse man born in Richmond Victoria and was living at 106 Forfar St in St Albans. His father Charles was a proof reader. Leslie was 27 and Florence was 28 born in Birkenhead England. In 1919 they were living at Forfar St and he was an insurance agent working for T and G Mutual Life Society. By 1935 they had moved to 39 Watford St where he died.

They had one son, Leslie, born 5 January 1910 who attended Christchurch BHS, and was working in Hobart for the Commonwealth of Australia Insurance Company at the time of will in June 1945. Another son Donald Victor was a soldier based in Christchurch.

His son Leslie may have married Mary Emily Manson in 1934. A Donald Gordon died in 1953 at the age of 42, he was cremated at the Karori Crematorium.

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| **220** | **Noel Harrington Pryce Jones** | | | | | | | | | | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  |  |  |
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| School |  | | | |  | | | |  | | |  | | |  |  |  |
| Club | Lancaster Park/East Christchurch | | | | | | | | | | |  | | |  |  |  |
| Born | 11/12/1891 | | | | Christchurch | | | |  | | |  | | |  | Died 11/5/1948 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | | | | **Opposition** | | | | **Venue** | | | **Batting** | | | **How Out** | **Catches** |  |
| **1918/19 Season** | | | | |  | | | |  | | |  | | |  |  |  |
| 129 | **25/12/1918** | | | | **Wellington** | | | | **Hagley Oval** | | | 3 | | | b | 1 |  |
|  |  | | | |  | | | |  | | | **57** | | | **st** |  |  |
| 130 | **22/01/1919** | | | | **Wellington** | | | | **Basin Reserve** | | | 15 | | | b | 1 |  |
|  |  | | | |  | | | |  | | | **88** | | | **b** | 2 |  |
| 131 | **21/02/1919** | | | | **Auckland** | | | | **Hagley Oval** | | | 10 | | | ct |  |  |
|  |  | | | |  | | | |  | | | **51** | | | **lbw** |  |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | | | | |  | | | |  | | |  | | |  |  |  |
| 138 | 18/02/1921 | | | | Otago | | | | Carisbrook | | | 0 | | | ct |  |  |
|  |  | | | |  | | | |  | | | 25 | | | b |  |  |
| 139 | 23/02/1921 | | | | Southland | | | | Invercargill | | | 2 | | | ct |  |  |
|  |  | | | |  | | | |  | | | 1 | | | b |  |  |
| **Season** | **M** | | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1918/19 | 3 | | | 6 | | 0 | 88 | 224 | | 37.33 |  | | 3 | 5 |
| 1920/21 | 2 | | | 4 | | 0 | 25 | 28 | | 7.00 |  | |  | 1 |
| **Total** | **5** | | | **10** | | **0** | **88** | **252** | | **25.20** |  | | **3** | **6** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** |
| Wellington | 2 | | | 4 | | 0 | 88 | 163 | | 40.75 |  | | 3 | 5 |
| Auckland | 1 | | | 2 | | 0 | 51 | 61 | | 30.50 |  | |  |  |
| Otago | 1 | | | 2 | | 0 | 25 | 25 | | 12.50 |  | |  |  |
| Southland | 1 | | | 2 | | 0 | 2 | 3 | | 1.50 |  | |  | 1 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | |
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| st | | 1 |

**Jones** was a member of the East Christchurch club when first selected for Canterbury. Later he joined the Lancaster Park club and from 1920 to 1924 he played 30 matches, 49 innings and scored 967 runs at 21, highest score of 69 with five half centuries. Jones was a member of the first grade champion team in 1921/22.

He had a brief first class career with good success in his first season. Against Wellington he batted with Gray and put on 120 for the fifth wicket to enable Canterbury to reach 345. Wellington reached their target of 225 with eight wickets down. The following match he was promoted to open and in the second innings batting with Patrick they put on 87 and Canterbury went on to score 303 and win the match by seven wickets. In his final match for the season he had an opening partnership of 140 with HB Lusk and Canterbury reached 288. Auckland were dismissed for 245 and Canterbury won the match by 192 runs and the Plunket Shield

Jones was employed as a coach of the St Andrews’s College 1st XI from 1920 to 1923. He was instrumental in raising the quality of cricket at the College and they earned promotion to third grade in 1921. He resigned in 1923 due to ill health.

Jones married Noreen Gazzard June 4 1928, she died in 1935. He remarried. Jean Margaret Rodger in 1940 and his will named his wife and his brother Alfred Lionel Jones as the executors. The will was dated 26 February 1946 and he left an estate worth over 4,500 pounds.

In 1914 Jones was living at home at 207 Wilsons Rd and working as a clerk. By 1928 he was living at 115 Hackthorne Rd and was a cycle importer, however the role of 1935 shows wife Noreen still at Hackthorne Rd while Jones had moved to 12 Ensors Rd. In 1946 Jones had retired and was now at 100 a Papanui Rd.

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| **221** | **Charles Edward Guiney** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |
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| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Riccarton |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 29/4/1895 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 15/12/1972 | Auckland |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |  |
| **1918/19 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 129 | 25/12/1918 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 1 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | st |  |  |
| 130 | 22/01/1919 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 11 | b | 1 |  |
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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1918/19 | 2 | | 3 | 0 | | 11 | 12 | 4.00 |  |  | 1 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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**Guiney** attended Christchurch BHS from 1908 to 1914 and was captain of the 1st XI in 1913 and 1914. He was also a member of the 1st XV.

Guiney was a long standing member of the Riccarton club playing from 1916 to 1927. He played 74 matches, 107 innings and scored 2,384 runs at 24.5. He had three centuries, highest score of 148 not out, and 13 half centuries. Guiney took 13 wickets at 36 bowling 673 balls. His best season was in 1918/19 when he headed the club aggregates with 504 runs. He was one of three brothers who played for the club and from 1922 to 1926 was secretary.

Guiney also played rugby and was a member of the Christchurch rugby club in 1914, before moving to the HSOB club where he was club captain in 1924. Guiney represented Canterbury at rugby in 1919.

Guiney had little success in his two matches for Canterbury batting in the middle order. In his first match Canterbury lost by two wickets in an exciting game but in the second match Canterbury scored 303 in their second innings to win by seven wickets.

In the late 1920’s he moved to Auckland and managed a number of Auckland Plunket Shield teams. Guiney also took an interest in umpiring and was in charge of the Auckland Wellington Shield game in February 1937.

In 1919 he was a farmer living in Springston but having married Ivy Hay on December 8 1926, they moved to Auckland in1928. There they lived at 29a Gibraltar Crescent Auckland East. He was a journalist and served in the Army in WW1. Ivy died in 1943 aged 46.

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| **222** | **Daniel Jason McBeath** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| LHB | LM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Riccarton |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 8/4/1897 | Kimberley North Canterbury | |  |  |  | Died | 13/04/1963 | Timaru |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1918/19 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 129 | **25/12/1918** | **Wellington** | **Hagley Oval** | 0 | ct | 198 | 15 | 71 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 11 | no | **186** | **9** | **86** | **5** |  |
| 130 | 22/01/1919 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 4 | no | 138 | 5 | 71 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 108 | 1 | 46 | 2 |  |
| 131 | **21/02/1919** | **Auckland** | **Hagley Oval** | 0 | lbw | **144** | **7** | **56** | **9** |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct | **222** | **4** | **112** | **6** |  |
| **1921/22 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 141 | 24/12/1921 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 20 | b | 80 | 0 | 42 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 56 | 1 | 20 | 0 |  |
| 143 | **6/01/1922** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | 0 | b | **200** | **4** | **96** | **8** | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b | 56 | 0 | 30 | 0 |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 148 | **25/12/1923** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | 7 | lbw | 104 | 1 | 53 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | b | **181** | **2** | **91** | **5** | 2 |
| 149 | **31/12/1923** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 0 | b | 184 | 2 | 70 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | st | **110** | **2** | **31** | **5** |  |
| 150 | 5/01/1924 | Auckland | Eden Park | 6 | st | 132 | 1 | 76 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | no | 68 | 1 | 19 | 0 |  |
| 151 | 22/02/1924 | NSW | Lancaster Park | 2 | no | 264 | 0 | 179 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | no |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 152 | 25/12/1924 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 8 | no | 168 | 9 | 26 | 2 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | no | 56 | 2 | 13 | 1 | 1 |
| 153 | 1/01/1925 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 14 | b | 120 | 0 | 59 | 2 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | no | 144 | 1 | 69 | 3 |  |
| 154 | **6/02/1925** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | 2 | b | **129** | **7** | **32** | **6** |  |
|  |  |  |  | 10 | no | 40 | 1 | 22 | 0 |  |
| 155 | 27/02/1925 | Victoria | Lancaster Park | 3 | ct | 155 | 3 | 59 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 248 | 3 | 112 | 1 | 1 |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 160 | 1/01/1927 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 3 | no | 176 | 3 | 93 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | no | 112 | 0 | 57 | 2 |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1918/19 | 3 | 5 | | 2 | | 11\* | | 15 | 5.00 |  | |  | | 1 | 996 | 41 | 442 | 25 | 17.68 | 9/56 | 3 | 1 | 44.38 | 39.84 |
| 1921/22 | 2 | 3 | | 0 | | 20 | | 20 | 6.67 |  | |  | | 1 | 392 | 5 | 188 | 8 | 23.5 | 8/96 | 1 |  | 47.96 | 49.00 |
| 1923/24 | 4 | 8 | | 3 | | 13 | | 28 | 5.60 |  | |  | | 3 | 1043 | 9 | 519 | 20 | 25.95 | 5/31 | 2 |  | 49.76 | 52.15 |
| 1924/25 | 4 | 7 | | 4 | | 14 | | 38 | 12.67 |  | |  | | 4 | 1060 | 26 | 392 | 19 | 20.63 | 6/32 | 1 |  | 36.98 | 55.79 |
| 1926/27 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | 12\* | | 15 |  |  | |  | |  | 288 | 3 | 150 | 4 | 37.5 | 2/57 |  |  | 52.08 | 72.00 |
| **Total** | **14** | **25** | | **11** | | **20** | | **116** | **8.29** |  | |  | | **9** | **3779** | **84** | **1691** | **76** | **22.25** | **9/56** | **7** | **1** | **44.75** | **49.72** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Wellington | 5 | 9 | | 5 | | 14 | | 45 | 11.25 |  | |  | | 3 | 1476 | 38 | 653 | 27 | 24.19 | 5/31 | 2 |  | 44.24 | 54.67 |
| Auckland | 4 | 8 | | 3 | | 8\* | | 14 | 2.80 |  | |  | | 2 | 1046 | 28 | 428 | 30 | 14.27 | 9/56 | 3 | 1 | 40.92 | 34.87 |
| Otago | 3 | 5 | | 1 | | 20 | | 52 | 13.00 |  | |  | | 2 | 590 | 12 | 260 | 11 | 23.64 | 6/32 | 2 |  | 44.07 | 53.64 |
| NSW | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | 2\* | | 2 |  |  | |  | | 1 | 264 | 0 | 179 | 3 | 59.67 | 3/179 |  |  | 67.80 | 88.00 |
| Victoria | 1 | 1 | | 0 | | 3 | | 3 | 3.00 |  | |  | | 1 | 403 | 6 | 171 | 5 | 34.2 | 4/59 |  |  | 42.43 | 80.60 |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | | **Runs** | | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | | **5W/I** | | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hagley | 2 | 750 | | 35 | | 325 | | 23 | 14.13 | 9/56 | | 3 | | 1 | 43.33 | 32.61 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carisbrook | 1 | 169 | | 8 | | 54 | | 6 | 9.00 | 6/32 | | 1 | |  | 31.95 | 28.17 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basin | 2 | 540 | | 10 | | 218 | | 10 | 21.80 | 5/31 | | 1 | |  | 40.37 | 54.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eden | 2 | 456 | | 6 | | 221 | | 12 | 18.42 | 8/96 | | 1 | |  | 48.46 | 38.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lancaster | 7 | 1864 | | 25 | | 873 | | 25 | 34.92 | 5/91 | | 1 | |  | 46.83 | 74.56 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | |
| b 7 | | |  | |  | | b 30 | | | |  | |
| ct 3 | | |  | |  | | ct 33 | | | |  | |
| lbw 2 | | |  | |  | | lbw 11 | | | |  | |
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**McBeath who** came from Kimberley near Darfield gained prominence as a talented 16 year old school boy cricketer. In his first club year he had immediate success in the 1915/16 season with 70 wickets at 9.2 He then joined the Army and served overseas in 1916 and 1917 and on his return he moved to Dunedin and joined the Albion cricket club making his first class debut against Canterbury in December 1917 taking nine for 102 in the first match and six for 102 in the second game. He then moved to Christchurch for the 1918/19 season and joined the Sydenham club. After one season he returned south playing for the Wyndham club in Southland for two seasons before returning to live in Christchurch for the 1921/22 season. After another move to Dunedin for the 1922/23 season where he was a member of the Grange club he was back in Christchurch for two seasons, 1923/23 and 1924/25. McBeath was overseas with the NZ team during the 1925/26 season before he had one final match for Canterbury during the 1926/27 season. He concluded his playing career with South Canterbury and a final Hawke cup match in 1931 against Waikato. In his final club season in Timaru he took 63 wickets. As a member of the Sydenham club in Christchurch he played 53 matches, and scored 763 runs in 68 innings at 13. He took 331 wickets at 11.8 and on 32 occasions took five wickets in an innings and on six occasions he took ten wickets in a match.

McBeath first played for New Zealand against the Australians in March 1921 and in all he played nine International games taking 26 wickets at 33.6. Touring Australia in December 1926 he played two first class matches as well as three minor matches and achieved his best International bowling figures with five for 89 against Victoria.

McBeath had a remarkable first season for Canterbury with the highlight being 15 wickets against Auckland which remains the second most number of wickets taken by a Canterbury bowler in match, behind Calloway’s 15 for 60 in 1903/04. He was unfortunate not to take ten wickets in the first innings as McEwin missed a simple catch and then to rub salt into the wound a few runs later McEwin took the final wicket. Eleven of the fifteen wickets taken by McBeath were bowled. Auckland were dismissed for 142 and 245 and lost by 192 runs. Three years later McBeath had another great bowling performance with eight wickets against Auckland, however they reached 352 which gave them a first innings lead of 96. Canterbury were all out for 198 in their second innings and Auckland went on to win the match by eight wickets. His most expensive match was against NSW in February 1924 and remains the second equal highest number of runs ever conceded by a Canterbury bowler in an innings. Brittenden commented “that he was a bowler of demanding accuracy with great endurance” while Reese said” he bowled at medium pace, always over the wicket, and kept an accurate length with a decided leg break”. He kept aiming at the blind spot all the time”.

His full first class career figures were 32 matches, 56 innings, 346 runs at 10.2 with a highest score of 35. He bowled 8,062 balls and took 170 wickets at 20.8.

In 1919 McBeath was living in Kimberley and was a farmer. He moved to Timaru in 1928 and had became a saleman living at Latter St. By 1938 he had moved on to Mere Mere St and was now a garage proprietor. Later after his wife died he was at Park Lane before spending his last years at the Empire Hotel with his occupation listed as a company director.

He married Agnes Aburn on January 23 1929, she died in 1946 aged 44. He was a company director.

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| **223** | **Phillip Stanley Foster** | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | RHOB |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Otago BHS |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | West Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 4/4/1885 | Timaru |  | Died | 20/03/1965 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** |  |
| **1918/19 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| 130 | 22/01/1919 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 31 | ct |  |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | lbw |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1918/19 | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 31 | 44 | 22.00 |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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| lbw | | | 1 | |

**Foster** attended Otago BHS from 1899 to 1903 and had a brilliant career at school winning a medal for French and in his final year won a Junior National Scholarship. He graduated from the Otago medical school in 1909

Shortly after graduating, Foster played for Wellington against the touring Australians in February 1910 scoring 7 and 0 in a seven wicket loss. He then moved to Christchurch and was a member of the West Christchurch club from 1910 to 1927 playing 105 matches and scoring 3,166 runs in 152 innings. There were two centuries and 12 half centuries with a highest score of 189 against East Christchurch in the 1918/19 season. He bowled 4,512 balls and took 129 wickets at 28. Three occasions he took five wickets in an innings. Foster was part of a very successful club team that for seven years from 1919 won the first grade competition on two occasions, second three times and third on two occasions. He had a period on the NZ Cricket Council.

In his only first class match he opened the batting and Canterbury had a great victory scoring 303 in their second innings to win by seven wickets.

Foster was a keen golfer and is remembered by the local medical fraternity by the Fosters Cup competed for by the doctors in April every year. He obtained his FRCS in 1913 and his FRACS in 1927. He began working as a surgeon in 1914 in Christchurch and from 1934 to 46 was Director of surgical services at the Christchurch Hospital. Foster was President of the NZ Branch BMA 1939 to 1940, Chairman of the NZ Medical Council 1948 to 1957 and served on the North Canterbury Hospital Board for 23 years between 1927 and 1959. He was honoured with the CMG in 1953 and was considered a pioneer of neurosurgery in NZ.

He also was involved with Rotary attending overseas conferences, in particular one in Minneapolis in June 1928 when he gave an address titled “Knowing the other fellow”. Foster was an enthusiastic performer with the Christchurch Liedertafel, joining in 1918 and was elected a life member in 1943.

He lived at “Woodford” 399 Papanui Rd from 1929 to 1949. It was a very large house of considerable historic importance, initially built in 1887 by Albert Kaye, a prosperous grain merchant. The Woodford name came from the town near London where Kaye was educated as young man, Woodford green. At one time it was over 1,000 sq m in size with 40 rooms until Foster reduced it to 27 rooms. It is now a heritage listed building.

Foster served in WW1 working on the hospital ship the “Maheno” making trips from Gallipoli back to New Zealand. He married Florence Harriet Chisholm on December 28 1914, she died in 1978 at the age of 98.

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| **224** | **Cyril Edward Evans** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | RLB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Riccarton |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 10/1/1896 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 13/05/1975 | Christchurch | |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls Faced** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1919/20 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 132 | 25/12/1919 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 13 | b |  | 32 | 0 | 13 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 133 | 2/2/19120 | Auckland | Eden Park | 39 | no |  | 48 | 0 | 53 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 134 | 8/01/1920 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 17 | ct |  | 16 | 0 | 7 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 138 | 18/02/1921 | Otago | Carisbrook | 11 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct |  | 32 | 0 | 22 | 1 |  |
| 139 | 23/02/1921 | Southland | Invercargill | 5 | b |  | 24 | 0 | 10 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1921/22 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 141 | 24/12/1921 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 32 | b |  | 48 | 0 | 21 | 2 | 1 |
| 142 | 31/12/1922 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 6 | b |  | 40 | 1 | 15 | 2 | 1 |
| 143 | 6/01/1922 | Auckland | Eden Park | 6 | b |  | 48 | 0 | 41 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 25 | ct |  | 16 | 0 | 9 | 0 |  |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 161 | **4/02/1927** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | 9 | b |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | **62** | **b** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 163 | 31/12/1927 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 20 | ct |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 14 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 164 | 6/01/1928 | Auckland | Eden Park | 40 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 24 | b |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 165 | 2/03/1928 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 29 | b |  | 24 | 0 | 16 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 20 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1928/29 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 166 | 25/12/1928 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1919/20 | | 3 | 6 | 1 | | 39\* | 85 | 17.00 | |  |  | 1 | | 96 | 0 | | 73 | 3 | 24.33 | 1/7 |  | 76.04 | 32.00 |
| 1920/21 | | 2 | 4 | 0 | | 11 | 16 | 4.00 | |  |  |  | | 56 | 0 | | 32 | 3 | 10.67 | 2/10 |  | 57.14 | 18.67 |
| 1921/22 | | 3 | 6 | 0 | | 32 | 69 | 11.50 | |  |  | 2 | | 152 | 1 | | 86 | 4 | 21.50 | 2/15 |  | 56.58 | 38.00 |
| 1926/27 | | 1 | 2 | 0 | | 62 | 71 | 35.50 | |  | 1 | 1 | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1927/28 | | 3 | 6 | 0 | | 40 | 147 | 24.50 | |  |  | 1 | | 24 | 0 | | 16 | 0 |  |  |  | 66.67 |  |
| 1928/29 | | 1 | 2 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | |  |  |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total** | | **13** | **26** | **1** | | **62** | **388** | **15.52** | |  | **1** | **5** | | **328** | **1** | | **207** | **10** | **20.70** | **2/10** |  | **63.11** | **32.80** |
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| **Opponent** | | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Auckland | | 4 | 8 | 1 | | 40 | 146 | 20.86 | |  |  |  | | 112 | 0 | | 103 | 1 | 103.00 | 1/53 |  | 91.96 | 112.00 |
| Otago | | 3 | 6 | 0 | | 62 | 114 | 19.00 | |  | 1 | 2 | | 80 | 0 | | 43 | 3 | 14.33 | 2/21 |  | 53.75 | 26.67 |
| Southland | | 1 | 2 | 0 | | 5 | 5 | 2.50 | |  |  |  | | 24 | 0 | | 10 | 2 | 5.00 | 2/10 |  | 41.67 | 12.00 |
| Wellington | | 4 | 8 | 0 | | 20 | 74 | 9.25 | |  |  | 3 | | 88 | 1 | | 35 | 4 | 8.75 | 2/15 |  | 39.77 | 22.00 |
| Australia | | 1 | 2 | 0 | | 49 | 49 | 24.50 | |  |  |  | | 24 | 0 | | 16 | 0 |  |  |  | 66.67 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | |  | | |
| b | 15 | | | |  | | | | b | | | | 4 | | |
| ct | 10 | | | |  | | | | ct | | | | 6 | | |

**Evans** attended Christchurch BHS from 1910 to 1913. He was a talented sportsman representing the province at both cricket and rugby. Evans joined the Riccarton club for the 1914/15 season and played 136 matches finishing his first grade career in the 1934/35 season. Evans made 3,171 runs in 178 innings at 19.5 with a highest score 154. He had two centuries and 14 half centuries. With the ball he took 444 wickets at 19.6, his best effort was a nine for 48. He took the most wickets in 1914/15 with 28, 1915/15 with 43, in 1919/20 with 40 wickets and finally in 1927/28 with 60 wickets. Evans had a four year term as treasurer of the club from 1920.

His cricket career with Canterbury was limited somewhat due to the spin bowling competition from Reese and Merritt. In his only half century score for Canterbury he batted at eight and with Bill Cunningham put on 62 for the tenth wicket. This left Otago to score an unlikely 418 for victory, they were all out for 157 and Canterbury had the game by 260 runs. In his last match he made a pair batting at eight and again was not used at the bowling crease, a strange decision as Auckland made 330 in their first innings and only required 78 for victory in their second innings. Clearly his bowling was now no longer of value but batting low in the order he made many valuable contributions.

Though his nickname was "Scrum," Evans played all his rugby, in what was a brief first class career of just 10 matches, far away from the forward hurly burly. He was fullback His debut for Canterbury was in a 1920 Ranfurly Shield challenge against Wellington in a match played at Athletic Park on King's Birthday. Canterbury lost 15-3 but Evans must have made an impression for, later that month and without playing another first class match, he was in the South Island side for the annual interisland match. Evans played in all Canterbury's six remaining matches that season and in 1921 was in the side which beat the Springboks 6-4, the tourist’s only loss to a provincial side. It was the only game Evans had for Canterbury that year and he won praise for his display, press reports of the time singling him out for his superb tackling and line kicking. Evans then made his only national appearance when he was in the NZ team which met the touring New South Wales side in Christchurch. The unofficial test, lost by New Zealand 17-0, was to be Evans' last first class appearance, but was a good one. He was praised for defending, the high standard of his tackling and his line kicking.

In 1919 Evans was living at 52 Matai St and was working as a clerk. He still had the same occupation in 1928 but was now in Garreg Rd.

Another move to Glandovey Rd followed in 1938 where he remained for the rest of his life.

He married Sylvia Harrison August 17 1922, she died in1971 aged 73. A son Trevor was named as a trustee of his October 1971 will along with the Pyne Gould Guinness company of which Evans had been a company sub manager.

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| **225** | **Rupert Vivian de Renzy Worker** | | | |  |  |  |
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| LHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Auckland Grammar | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | West Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 15/4/1896 | Auckland |  |  | Died | 23/04/1989 | Napier |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |  |
| **1919/20 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 135 | 20/02/1920 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 11 | lbw |  |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 138 | 18/02/1921 | Otago | Carisbrook | 14 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 22 | b | 1 |  |
| 139 | 23/02/1921 | Southland | Invercargill | 23 | lbw |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ro |  |  |
| 140 | **11/03/1921** | **Australia** | **Lancaster Park** | **54** | **ct** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 14 | no |  |  |
| **1921/22 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 141 | 24/12/1921 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 44 | ro |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | ct |  |  |
| 142 | 31/12/1922 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 7 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | ct |  |  |
| 143 | 6/01/1922 | Auckland | Eden Park | 7 | lbw |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw |  |  |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 144 | **23/12/1922** | **England** | **Lancaster Park** | 16 | ct | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **65** | **ct** |  |  |
| 145 | 29/12/1922 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 19 | lbw |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 42 | b | 1 |  |
| 146 | 26/01/1923 | Otago | Carisbrook | 20 | lbw |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | no |  |  |
| 147 | 23/02/1923 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 27 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 48 | b |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1919/20 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | 11 | 31 | 31.00 |  |  |  |
| 1020/21 | 3 | 6 | | 1 | | 54 | 127 | 25.40 |  | 1 | 1 |
| 1921/22 | 3 | 6 | | 0 | | 44 | 76 | 12.67 |  |  |  |
| 1922/23 | 4 | 8 | | 1 | | 65 | 244 | 34.86 |  | 1 | 2 |
| **Total** | **11** | **22** | | **3** | | **65** | **478** | **25.16** |  | **2** | **3** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Otago | 4 | 8 | | 2 | | 44 | 151 | 25.17 |  |  | 1 |
| Southland | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 23 | 23 | 11.50 |  |  |  |
| Australia | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | 54 | 68 | 68.00 |  | 1 |  |
| Wellington | 2 | 4 | | 0 | | 48 | 87 | 21.75 |  |  |  |
| Auckland | 2 | 4 | | 0 | | 42 | 68 | 17.00 |  |  | 1 |
| England | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 65 | 81 | 40.50 |  | 1 | 1 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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**Worker** was a school teacher and moved around New Zealand considerably in his profession.

He debuted for Auckland in 1914/15 before moving to Christchurch to a teaching appointment at Christchurch BHS from 1919 to 1923. Worker was head of cricket at CBHS in 1921 when the team had players of the caliber of Cromb, Burrows and Page who was captain.

From 1923 to 1926 he was at Otago BHS where he played nine matches for Otago. He then to Napier BHS and played seven matches for Wellington. He concluded his teaching career at the Marton DHS. He was a member of the West Christchurch club and attended their 75th jubilee celebrations in 1980. Between 1919 and 1923 Worker played 28 matches for the club and had 40 innings scoring 1,585 runs at 42.8. There were four centuries and eight half centuries with a highest score 145. An occasional bowler he took seven wickets at 30. Worker was the top run scorer in Christchurch club cricket in 1919/20 with 609 runs at 76.1

Worker’s first half century came in a match against the Australians in March 1921. He batted at seven and Canterbury reached 311. Australia gained a lead of 45 but Canterbury failed in their second innings only scoring 102 and lost by seven wickets. Worker was one of four batsmen who reached double figures and was left short of partners. Unusually his second half century came against another International team in December 1922. MCC declared at 454 for six and Canterbury after scoring 181 followed on making 295 in their second innings. Worker opened in both innings and had a marvelous double century partnership 208 with Blunt, however the rest of the team failed and the match was lost by eight wickets. In his final match he had a good match against Wellington which helped Canterbury to a victory by 114 runs.

Worker first represented New Zealand in February 1924 against NSW. A year later he played two matches against Victoria and then in December 1925 he toured Australia playing against four States. In all he played eight matches scoring 368 runs at 24.5 with a highest score of 89 against Victoria in December 1925 at the MCG.

In the 1924/25 season, he won the Redpath Trophy scoring 491 runs at 49 with a highest score of 121 not out against Victoria at Carisbrook. Worker was a very consistent batsman getting to double figures on most occasions.

He was the son of Mary De Renzy and William Howse Worker and married Lily Emerson in 1928. While in Christchurch in 1919 he lived at 28 Oxley St with his mother.

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| **226** | **Edward Brosnahan** | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | East Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 24/2/1884 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 1951 | Christchurch | |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1919/20 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **135** | **20/02/1920** | **Otago** | **Hagley Oval** | **73** | **no** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 136 | 25/12/1920 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 28 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 30 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 137 | 1/01/1921 | Auckland | Hagley Oval | 6 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 17 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 140 | 18/02/1921 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 5 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | b |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| **1921/22 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 141 | 24/12/1921 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 43 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| 142 | 31/12/1921 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 13 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 143 | 6/01/1922 | Auckland | Eden Park | 12 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | b | 8 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  |
| **1928/29 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 166 | 25/12/1928 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 14 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | b |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** |
| 1919/20 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 73\* | 73 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1920/21 | 3 | | 6 | 0 | 30 | 95 | 15.83 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1921/22 | 3 | | 6 | 0 | 43 | 94 | 15.67 |  |  |  | 8 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  |  | 50.00 |
| 1928/29 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | 14 | 19 | 9.50 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total** | **8** | | **15** | **1** | **73\*** | **281** | **20.07** |  | **1** | **1** | **8** | **0** | **4** | **0** |  |  | **50.00** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** |
| Auckland | 3 | | 6 | 0 | 17 | 73 | 12.17 |  |  |  | 8 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  |  | 50.00 |
| Otago | 2 | | 3 | 1 | 73\* | 123 | 61.50 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wellington | 2 | | 4 | 0 | 30 | 71 | 17.75 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Australia | 1 | | 2 | 0 | 9 | 14 | 7.00 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | |
| b | | 10 | |
| ct | | 2 | |
| lbw | | 2 | |

**Brosnahan** played for East Christchurch from 1915/16 to 1935/36. In 151 and 214 innings he scored 4,152 runs at 20, with a highest score of 122 against St Albans in 1919/20 season. He had three centuries and 22 half centuries. He also took 21 wickets at 25.7. Brosnahan missed three club seasons from 1916/17 so possibly was away serving in WW1. He was made a life member of the club and died in 1951 according to the book on the club’s history. A brother LT Brosnahan also joined the club in 1914.

In his debut first class match the Press said “that no more sounder or patient innings has been seen on Hagley Park, his batting was slow but his defence was so good it was heart breaking for the bowlers…. you must remember that he was only selected to make good in his first big match”. Brosnahan batted at three and his 73 not out took for three and half hours, Canterbury making 236. Otago with scores of 130 and 145 lost the match by ten wickets with Blunt and Worker making the 41 for victory within eight overs. His only other score of note came two years later in the match against Otago which was the first occasion that the Plunket Shield was played for on the tourney system, previously it had been played for on the challenge basis. Again batting at three he had good partnerships with Blunt and Grant and Canterbury made 307 in their first innings. They reached the target of 201 with six wickets down. Brosnahan played for a South Canterbury XV in a two day match against the Australians in March 1914 scoring 4 batting at 14. He bowled nine overs with figures of none for 68.

Unfortunately little has been found about his life nor his full name. The East Christchurch club records were in the keeping of Ray Cairns who wrote the 75th history of the club and they were destroyed in a fire at his home.

Edward Brosnahan was living at142 Chester St in 1914 and 1919. In 1928 he was a farm labourer in Halswell.

Timothy Brosnaham married Mary Maloney 1926.

Thomas Edward Brosnahan married Kathleen Baines in 1920

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| **227** | **Henry Morgan Taylor** | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |
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| W/K |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Lancaster Park | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 5/2/1889 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 20/06/1955 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** | **Stumpings** |
| **1919/20 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 135 | 20/02/1920 | Otago | Hagley Oval | 0 | ct | 2 |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| 136 | 25/12/1920 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 0 | ro | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | no | 1 | 1 |
| 137 | 1/01/1921 | Auckland | Hagley Oval | 32 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | ct | 1 |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| 1919/20 | 1 | | 1 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |  |  | 3 | 1 |
| 1920/21 | 2 | | 4 | | 1 | 32 | 40 | 13.33 |  |  | 3 | 1 |
| **Total** | **3** | | **5** | | **1** | **32** | **40** | **10.00** |  |  | **6** | **2** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| Otago | 1 | | 1 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |  |  | 3 | 1 |
| Wellington | 1 | | 2 | | 1 | 7\* | 7 | 7.00 |  |  | 2 | 1 |
| Auckland | 1 | | 2 | | 0 | 32 | 33 | 16.50 |  |  | 1 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | |
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| ct | | 2 | |
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**Taylor** attended Christchurch BHS from 1904 to 1908 and was the senior athletic champion in 1908. Harry Taylor was one of Canterbury's most

accomplished and versatile sportsmen in the years immediately before World War I, excelling at cricket almost as much as he did in rugby.  
 He was a member of the Lancaster Park club from 1909 to 1922 playing 80 matches and scoring 949 runs in 116 innings. Only one half century which was 57. He had 74 catches and 30 stumpings.

However cricket took a back seat while his rugby career flourished. In 1910, aged 21, he came into the Canterbury representative team playing at either halfback or first five eighths. One of his earliest provincial matches was in 1910 when Canterbury lost 6-4 to Auckland in a Ranfurly Shield match at Alexandra Park. Canterbury were leading with two minutes to play. Taylor made his All Black debut in the first test in 1913 at halfback against Australia at Athletic Park. Because of an injury he was forced to retire at halftime but he was sufficiently recovered to be picked for the tour soon after of North America. One of two halfbacks in the squad, he took advantage of an injury to Teddy Roberts to established himself as first choice. He played in 10 of the 16 tour matches, scored five tries and was in the only international of the tour against the American All Stars. Taylor retained his All Black spot for the tour of Australia in 1914 along with Roberts. But with one of the wings, George Loveridge, suffering an early injury Taylor was shifted to the three quarters, where he proved to be an outstanding success. In 11 appearances, including all three tests, he scored 15 tries and in the second test landed a hat-trick of tries. He also scored in the final test. With 21 matches for Canterbury, appearances for the South island in each of the 1913-14 seasons as well as his 23 games for New Zealand, Taylor had played in 46 first class matches when his career was interrupted by the outbreak of war. Despite a few appearances while on military service in Wellington he never played at first class level again. His son Robert Taylor kept three of his caps from his playing days, and donated them to Christchurch BHS. They were his Boys High cap, the All Black cap and the Canterbury cap.

He first played cricket for Canterbury in January1913 in a non first class match against the South Melbourne club scoring 0 batting at eleven. Canterbury won by an innings and 34 runs. His only score in double figures came in his last match when batting with Dan Reese they put on 71 for the last wicket “with some hurricane hitting” and Canterbury reached 178. Auckland had a lead of 113 and with Canterbury all out for 92 in their second innings the match was lost by 382 runs. This loss remains Canterbury’s heaviest defeat against all teams.

Taylor lived on the corner of Fitzgerald Ave and Ferry Rd and when his mother heard the final whistle she would turn on the hot bath for him and Taylor would run home. He lived at 30 Fitzgerald Ave until in 1928 when after his marriage to Gwen Williams on June 5 1918, they moved to 52 Merivale Lane. By 1946 they were living at 8 Allister Ave before a final move to 3 Wairapara Terrace.

A successful businessman with a major plumbing business in Christchurch, Taylor was prominent in cricket administration for the CCA and served on the NZ Cricket Council from 1934 to 1949.

(NZ Rugby Museum)

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| **228** | **Thomas Alexander Brandon Grant** | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| LHB | LHS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | North Canterbury HS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Lancaster Park | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 1894 | Australia |  |  | Died | 9/06/1966 | Wellington |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 136 | 25/12/1920 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 6 | b | 16 | 0 | 14 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | ct | 16 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1 |
| **1921/22 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 141 | **24/12/1921** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | 78 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | ct | 72 | 1 | 27 | 1 |  |
| 142 | 31/12/1921 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 0 | ct | 40 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | 16 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 143 | **6/01/1922** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | **66** | **no** | 24 | 0 | 17 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **64** | **no** | 48 | 0 | 19 | 2 |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1920/21 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 6 | 7 | 3.50 | |  |  | 1 | 32 | | 0 | 20 | 0 |  |  |  | 62.50 |  |
| 1921/22 | 3 | | 6 | 2 | | 78 | 226 | 56.50 | |  | 3 | 2 | 184 | | 2 | 70 | 3 | 23.33 | 2/19 |  | 38.04 |  |
| **Total** | **4** | | **8** | **2** | | **78** | **233** | **38.83** | |  | **3** | **3** | **216** | | **2** | **90** | **3** | **30.00** | **2/19** |  | **41.67** | **72.00** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Wellington | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 16 | 23 | 5.75 | |  |  | 3 | 72 | | 1 | 27 | 0 |  |  |  | 37.50 |  |
| Otago | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 78 | 80 | 40.00 | |  | 1 |  | 72 | | 1 | 27 | 1 | 27.00 | 1/27 |  | 37.50 | 72.00 |
| Auckland | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | 66\* | 130 |  | |  | 2 |  | 72 | | 0 | 36 | 2 | 18.00 | 2/19 |  | 50.00 | 36.00 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | |
| b | | 2 | | |  | | | | b | | | 1 | |
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**Grant** moved to NZ at a young age and had a brief but very successful first class career for Canterbury. He was a member of the Lancaster Park club from 1912 to 1922. He played 57 matches, 91 innings, scored 2,406 runs at 29.7. Grant scored three centuries, highest score of 108, and 13 half centuries. He took 79 wickets at 23.9.

His 78 against Otago in December 1921, although being dropped three times, enabled Canterbury to reach 307 and take a first innings lead of 86. They reached the 201 for victory with six wickets down. Three low scores followed before he ended his career with Canterbury with an outstanding double against Auckland. Batting at five he came to the wicket with the Canterbury score at 101. However a seventh wicket partnership of 129 with Sandman brought the score to 244 but the final three wickets fell with the addition of only another four runs. Auckland gained a lead of 104 and with the top order failing again Canterbury were at 69 when Sandman joined Grant. They put on 81 to reach191 but the final three wickets produced only seven runs. Garrard, the former Canterbury cricketer, took the last four wickets in two overs and Auckland won by eight wickets.

At the conclusion of his last match for Canterbury Grant played for the South Island against the North at Lancaster Park in March 1922 scoring 7 and 4. The North Island won by five wickets. He then moved to Wellington for the 1922/23 season and over the next three seasons played four matches for the province scoring 61 runs at 7.2 and taking four wickets at 42. Grant spent part of the 1923 year living in the Manawatu and played two minor matches against the MCC and Wanganui.

He served in WW1 and married Edna Gerritzen on December 4 1928. In 1919 while in Christchurch they lived at 113 Stanmore Rd. Grant was an insurance inspector and died at his residence 35 Mills St Lower Hutt.

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| **229** | **Charles Wright Allard** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | St Albans |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 29/12/1885 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 2/04/1965 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Caught** |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 136 | 25/12/1920 | Wellington | Hagley Oval | 0 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Ct** |
| 1920/21 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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| ct | | 1 | | |

**Allard** attended Christchurch BHS from 1899 to 1901 and after graduation from University he had a short time teaching at Christchurch BHS. He then moved to West Christchurch BHS and taught at that school from 1907 to 1927 where he initially taught the matriculation class. He later was appointed first assistant before his final move to become headmaster at the Opawa school where he remained for 18 years until his retirement in 1945. In the history of the West Christchurch school Allard was reported “to have a happy and friendly manner, an upright and confident walk and particularly well liked”. Allard was active in musical circles and while at the Opawa school he organized the Primary Schools Musical Festival.

Allard was a member of the St Albans Cricket Club and was secretary from 1906 to 1908. Allard played very few first grade matches for the club and has the unfortunate record of recording a pair in his only first class match. He batted six and in a low scoring game Canterbury scored 176 and 141 in their two innings and lost the match by 71 runs.

He served on the Canterbury Rugby Football Union from 1923 to 1926 and was heavily involved with rugby as a referee. He was on the Big Five panel of the NZRFU in 1922 and controlled several Ranfurly Shield matches.

Allard married Harriet Anthony on January 18 1911, she died in 1969 aged 83. In 1919 they had a home at 203 Cameron St East in Ashburton but by 1928 they were living at 219 River Rd Christchurch. They remained there until on his retirement they moved Leithfield beach

There he became chairman of the Leithfield Domain Board and a lay preacher of the Church of England.

His will indicated that they had a daughter Ruth who was married and living in Upper Moutere.

His father, born in Essex in 1857, came to NZ with his parents on the “Victory” in 1859 and after education at St Michael’s school became a clerk with the North Canterbury Education Board. He spent his life working for the Board and in 1895 became the Treasurer.

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| **230** | **Milford Laurenson Page** | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | RHS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | HSOB/St Albans | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 8/05/1902 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 13/02/1987 | Christchurch | |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 138 | 18/02/1921 | Otago | Carisbrook | 9 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 38 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 139 | 23/02/1921 | Southland | Invercargill | 26 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 8 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| 140 | 11/03/1921 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 27 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 145 | **29/12/1922** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 30 | b |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | **65** | **b** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 151 | 22/02/1924 | NSW | Lancaster Park | 21 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1925/26 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 156 | **25/12/1925** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | **71** | **b** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 157 | 1/01/1925 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 1 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 21 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| 158 | 8/01/1926 | Auckland | Eden Park | 30 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 18 | ro |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 159 | **25/12/1926** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 30 | st |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **78** | **lbw** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 160 | 1/01/1927 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 30 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 41 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 161 | **4/02/1927** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | **73** | **b** |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | 8 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **162 c** | **24/12/1927** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | **51** | **ct** | 66 | 3 | 31 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | ct | 78 | 0 | 57 | 1 | 1 |
| **163 c** | 31/12/1927 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 0 | lbw | 36 | 1 | 37 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 21 | ct | 24 | 0 | 21 | 0 |  |
| **164 c** | **6/01/1928** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | **76** | **lbw** |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| **165 c** | 2/03/1928 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 20 | lbw | 18 | 0 | 13 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1928/29 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **166 c** | **25/12/1928** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 44 | st | 72 | 1 | 33 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **76** | **ct** | 18 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  |
| **167 c** | **31/12/1928** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | **71** | **ct** | 72 | 1 | 41 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 90 | 8 | 18 | 2 |  |
| **168 c** | 22/02/1929 | Otago | Carisbrook | 43 | ct | 24 | 1 | 14 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | ct | 168 | 6 | 90 | 2 | 1 |
| **1929/30 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **169 c** | **24/12/1929** | **England** | **Lancaster Park** | 26 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **86** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **170 c** | 28/12/1930 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 17 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| **171 c** | **4/01/1930** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | **78** | **st** | 42 | 0 | 30 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | no |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1930/31 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **173 c** | **25/12/1930** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 12 | ct | 78 | 3 | 44 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 58 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| **174 c** | **1/01/1931** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 28 | ct | 12 | 1 | 4 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **116** | **b** | 48 | 1 | 21 | 2 |  |
| **175 c** | 23/01/1931 | Otago | Carisbrook | 10 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1931/32 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **176 c** | 25/12/1931 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 24 | ct | 24 | 1 | 14 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 26 | ro |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| **177 c** | **1/01/1932** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 27 | ct | 6 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | **206** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **178 c** | 8/01/1932 | Auckland | Eden Park | 1 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1932/33 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **179 c** | **26/12/1932** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | **78** | **ct** | 18 | 0 | 7 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 17 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| **180 c** | 31/12/1932 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 45 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| **181 c** | 3/02/1933 | Otago | Carisbrook | 16 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 27 | ro |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| **1933/34 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **182 c** | 23/12/1933 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 20 | b | 36 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | ct | 12 | 1 | 6 | 0 |  |
| **183 c** | 30/12/1933 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 23 | lbw | 6 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 21 | ct |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| **184 c** | 6/01/1934 | Auckland | Eden Park | 10 | ct | 36 | 0 | 23 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 32 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| **185 c** | 23/02/1934 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 1 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| **1934/35 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **186 c** | 25/12/1934 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 6 | ct | 42 | 2 | 17 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | ct | 42 | 1 | 21 | 0 |  |
| **187 c** | 31/12/1934 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 1 | ct | 12 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| **188 c** | 22/02/1935 | Otago | Carisbrook | 0 | lbw | 32 | 1 | 14 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 24 | no |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1935/36 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 192 | 14/02/1936 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 19 | ct | 23 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1936/37 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 193 | **25/12/1936** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | **73** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 37 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| 194 | **1/01/1937** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | **83** | **ro** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 195 | 19/02/1937 | Otago | Carisbrook | 15 | lbw | 18 | 0 | 12 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 20 | b |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1920/21 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 38 | 108 | 18.00 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1922/23 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 65 | 95 | 47.50 |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1923/24 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 21 | 34 | 17.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1925/26 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 71 | 141 | 28.20 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1926/27 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 78 | 260 | 43.33 |  | 2 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1927/28 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 76 | 196 | 24.50 |  | 2 | 5 | 222 | 4 | 159 | 2 | 79.5 | 1/31 |  | 71.62 | 111.00 |
| 1928/29 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 76 | 237 | 47.40 |  | 2 | 1 | 444 | 17 | 200 | 6 | 33.33 | 2/18 |  | 45.05 | 74.00 |
| 1929/30 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 86 | 229 | 45.80 |  | 2 | 1 | 42 | 0 | 30 | 0 |  |  |  | 71.43 |  |
| 1930/31 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 116 | 233 | 38.83 | 1 | 1 |  | 138 | 5 | 69 | 2 | 34.5 | 2/21 |  | 50.00 | 69.00 |
| 1931/32 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 206 | 284 | 56.80 | 1 |  | 4 | 30 | 2 | 14 | 1 | 14 | 1/0 |  | 46.67 | 30.00 |
| 1932/33 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 78 | 183 | 36.60 |  | 1 | 3 | 18 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 7 | 1/7 |  | 38.89 | 18.00 |
| 1933/34 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 32 | 114 | 16.29 |  |  | 4 | 90 | 1 | 49 | 0 |  |  |  | 54.44 |  |
| 1934/35 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 24\* | 44 | 11.00 |  |  | 2 | 134 | 4 | 67 | 2 | 33.5 | 1/14 |  | 50.00 | 67.00 |
| 1935/36 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 19 | 38 | 19.00 |  |  | 1 | 23 | 0 | 8 | 0 |  |  |  | 34.78 |  |
| 1936/37 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 83 | 228 | 45.60 |  | 2 |  | 18 | 0 | 12 | 0 |  |  |  | 66.67 |  |
| **Total** | **41** | **75** | **2** | **206** | **2424** | **33.21** | **2** | **14** | **27** | **1159** | **33** | **615** | **14** | **43.93** | **2/18** |  | **53.06** | **82.79** |

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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Wellington | 12 | | 19 | 0 | | 206 | 772 | | 40.63 | 2 | 2 | | 11 | 312 | | 13 | 161 | 6 | 26.83 | 2/18 |  | 51.60 | 52.00 |
| Auckland | 12 | | 23 | 1 | | 78 | 865 | | 39.32 |  | 8 | | 3 | 348 | | 7 | 179 | 5 | 35.8 | 2/90 |  | 51.44 | 69.60 |
| Otago | 12 | | 23 | 1 | | 73 | 551 | | 25.05 |  | 3 | | 13 | 481 | | 13 | 262 | 3 | 87.33 | 1/7 |  | 54.47 | 160.33 |
| Southland | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 26 | 34 | | 17.00 |  |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NSW | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 21 | 34 | | 17.00 |  |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Australia | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 27 | 56 | | 14.00 |  |  | |  | 18 | | 0 | 13 | 0 |  |  |  | 72.22 |  |
| England | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 86 | 112 | | 56.00 |  | 1 | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Ground** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lancaster | 23 | | 40 | 0 | | 116 | 1491 | | 37.28 | 1 | 11 | | 12 |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basin | 5 | | 10 | 0 | | 206 | 356 | | 35.60 | 1 |  | | 6 |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eden | 5 | | 9 | 1 | | 78 | 248 | | 31.00 |  | 2 | | 2 |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carisbrook | 7 | | 14 | 0 | | 73 | 295 | | 21.07 |  | 1 | | 7 |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Invercargill | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 26 | 34 | | 17.00 |  |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | | |
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**Page**, always known as Curly, attended Christchurch BHS from 1915 to 1919. He was the Senior Monitor, Deans Memorial Scholar and captain of the 1st XI in 1920 and 1921. Page was also an accomplished tennis player being the senior tennis champion in 1917, 1919, 1920 and1921.

After initially joining the HSOB club he was instructed by the CCA to move to St Albans in 1931, later he rejoined the HSOB club. In all club cricket he scored 5,523 runs in 174 innings and at an average of 31. There were 11 centuries and 23 half centuries with a highest score of 186. More than an occasional bowler he took 207 wickets at 20.8.

Curly Page was among that elite band of New Zealand sportsmen who have played both rugby and cricket for the country, the so called "double All Blacks". Page was more eminent in the summer sport and commitments there undoubtedly curtailed his rugby career which was somewhat disjointed at top level.

While still at school Page played his first cricket match for Canterbury in February 1921 at age 18. But he had a slow start to his career. It was not until five years later that his performances improved and he became recognized for his attacking batting abilities, determined defence and very quick and sure fielding, particularly in the slips. Later he was noted for his efficient and undemonstrative abilities as a captain, winning 12 and losing 7 of the 27 games. His score of 71 in December 1925 against Otago came in the match that Cox made Canterbury’s first double century. The two of them had a partnership of 149 and the team reached 495 winning the match by an innings and 28 runs. The following season, 1926/27, Page was very consistent and his highest score of 78 came when the team was in trouble at five down for 60. He and Boon put on 52 and when he was out Page had scored 78 of the 112. Canterbury lost the match by five wickets. His first century for Canterbury came in a remarkable game against Wellington in January 1931. Canterbury only made 214 and were behind by 138 runs on the first innings. He came to the wicket with the score at 205 for three and with a seventh wicket partnership of 105 with Lester he departed at 407. Canterbury finally reached 519 and went on to win the match by 139 runs. His 206 the following season against Wellington remained the highest score by a Canterbury player for 31 years until Graham Dowling made the same score in the 1962/63 season. Wellington made 553 and lead Canterbury by 277 runs and when Page came into bat they were three for 50. However with Roberts they had a fourth wicket partnership of 278 and Canterbury declared at tea on the final day at 526 for eight. Rain interfered and the match was drawn. Reese records that Dempster “dropped him four times before taking a brilliant catch to dismiss him”. His partnership of 278 with Roberts remains the highest for the fourth wicket against all teams. He was only bowled on ten occasions in his 73 dismissals, a very low percentage.

He toured England with the New Zealand cricket team in 1927 scoring 1,154 runs at 35, in 1931 scoring 990 runs at 27 and as captain in 1937 he scored 665 runs at 24. His one test century of 104 was against England in 1931 at Lords which was the first occasion a New Zealand player achieved that mark at that ground.

In his rugby career he played 19 matches for Canterbury, from the Sheffield club, as an inside back in what were two distinct batches, the first being as a five eight in the 1922-23 seasons and the second in 1928-29 when he was recalled to stand in for the province's regular halfback Bill Dalley who was touring South Africa. Page was an accomplished footballer, who played with plenty of pluck despite being lightly framed at around 60kgs.In 1923 he played in the Canterbury side which lost narrowly to Hawke's Bay in a Ranfurly Shield challenge and that season he was also in the South Island side. In 1928 he was not only recalled for the absent Dalley but was made the Canterbury captain. He led the province to a successful shield defence against South Canterbury but four days later he handed the "Log o' Wood" over to Bert Cooke who led Wairarapa to an 8-7 victory. Later that year Page made his only All Black appearance playing half back in the third test in Christchurch against New South Wales and winning 11-8. In 1929 he made one more appearance for Canterbury before returning to his first sporting love and thereafter concentrated on cricket.

Page farmed at Waddington for a period of six years from 1920 to recover from suspected tuberculosis. He was said to be a man of fixed views and unbending of his treatment of players he did not rate. Cromb was not selected for the 1937 tour of England by Page’s stance and Walter Hadlee remembers being admonished by him for shaking his hand and congratulating him on a century. Page said “a tip of the cap is all that is required”.

Brittenden writing of Page in 1961 said that “ he was quiet, modest, kind………. his name recalls an age when all the pitches seemed to be fast and true, when there were no television replays, the game was without gimmicks, he stood for all that was best in one of cricket’s golden ages”.

Page worked for E Reece, a sports shop, during his playing career and later for ABC Cables. He married Phyllis Plimmer in 1935 and they lived at 10 Manning St. In 1949 they were at 9 Roa Rd and Page strangely gave his occupation as a soldier. He and Phyllis remained there for the rest of their life.

Page played 132 matches in first class cricket for 5,857 runs, an average of 29.88 and nine centuries including a best score of 206. He played 14 tests, captain in seven, scoring 492 runs at 24.60

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| **231** | **Cyril Gore Crawford** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | St Albans |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 13/3/1902 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 17/06/1988 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |  |
| **1920/21 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 139 | 23/02/1921 | Southland | Invercargill | 41 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw |  |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 149 | 31/12/1923 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 0 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 22 | b |  |  |
| 151 | **22/02/1924** | **NSW** | **Lancaster Park** | **61** | **b** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | ct |  |  |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 152 | 25/12/1924 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 27 | ct | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | ct |  |  |
| 153 | 1/01/1925 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 1 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 23 | ct |  |  |
| 154 | 6/02/1925 | Otago | Carisbrook | 37 | b | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 23 | ro |  |  |
| 155 | **27/02/1925** | **Victoria** | **Lancaster Park** | **70** | **ct** | 1 |  |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 159 | 25/12/1926 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 6 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 15 | ct |  |  |
| 160 | 1/01/1927 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 1 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 23 | b |  |  |
| 161 | 4/02/1927 | Otago | Carisbrook | 6 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 45 | ct |  |  |
| **1928/29 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 166 | 25/12/1928 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 10 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | ct |  |  |
| **1929/30 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 172 | 28/02/1930 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 35 | b |  |  |
| **1931/32 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 178 | 8/01/1932 | Auckland | Eden Park | 15 | lbw |  |  |
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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1920/21 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 41 | 41 | 20.50 |  |  |  |
| 1923/24 | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 61 | 88 | 22.00 |  | 1 |  |
| 1924/25 | 4 | | 7 | 0 | | 70 | 195 | 27.86 |  | 1 | 4 |
| 1926/27 | 3 | | 6 | 0 | | 45 | 96 | 16.00 |  |  |  |
| 1928/29 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 10 | 14 | 7.00 |  |  |  |
| 1929/30 | 1 | | 1 | 0 | | 35 | 35 | 35.00 |  |  |  |
| 1931/32 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 29 | 44 | 22.00 |  |  |  |
| **Total** | **13** | | **24** | **0** | | **70** | **513** | 21.38 |  | **2** | **4** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Wellington | 3 | | 6 | 0 | | 25 | 72 | 12.00 |  |  |  |
| Auckland | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 29 | 118 | 14.75 |  |  | 1 |
| Otago | 3 | | 5 | 0 | | 45 | 146 | 29.20 |  |  | 1 |
| Southland | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 41 | 41 | 20.50 |  |  |  |
| NSW | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 61 | 66 | 33.00 |  | 1 |  |
| Victoria | 1 | | 1 | 0 | | 70 | 70 | 70.00 |  | 1 | 2 |
| **Batting dismisslas** | | | | |
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**Crawford** attended Christchurch BHS from 1917 to 1919. He played for the St Albans club from 1919 to 1948 and played 223 matches. In 302 innings he scored 8,158 runs at 30 with ten centuries and 44 half centuries. He also played senior cricket for East and CBHS and ended his career with 8,860 runs, the sixth highest total ever achieved. Brittenden commented that “he was a stylish batsmen noted for his silky footwork”.

His first class career was unremarkable and somewhat lucky to have played as many matches as he did. His first half century for Canterbury came in the match against NSW when the top order batted well. He had a good partnership with Patrick of 84 but the tail failed and Canterbury were all out for 241. NSW destroyed the bowlers led by Macartney 221 and Andrews 111 not out and declared at 599 for 8. Canterbury totally collapsed in their second innings and were all out for 81 losing the match by an innings and 276 runs. Unusually his only other half century came against another visiting side but on this occasion Canterbury scored well making 426 with four scores in excess of 70. Victoria had to follow on after only scoring 232 but they made amends by making 448 for 7 when the game was concluded. Crawford toured Australia in 1925 with the New Zealand team playing two matches against Victoria and South Australia scoring 0, 5 no, 30no and three. He also played three non first class matches.

Crawford became heavily involved in administration at club and provincial level and was President of the St Albans club, President and Chairman of the CCA, life member of both organizations as well as the Canterbury Rugby Referees Association. Crawford also had a period as a Canterbury selector and after resigning from the position spent many years as the radio commentator at Lancaster Park. He also had a year coaching at Christ’s College in 1949.Crawford, after he retired from cricket, became a very keen member of the Burnside Bowling club.

He married Isobel Searby on April 20 1927 at St Michaels church, Crawford’s father was a printer while Isobel’s father was a medical practioner. Isobel died in 1978 aged 79. They lived at 2 Corson Avenue and Crawford was listed as a clerk. They separated on July 10 1934 and the divorce was granted on February 2 1938 on the grounds of mutual separation. There were no children. By then Crawford was living in the family home at 56 Fitzgerald Avenue and was a salesman. He married Clara Ester **????** in 1939, they were living at 2 Titoki St and Crawford was an insurance superintendent. On his retirement Crawford and his wife moved to Pear St in Yaldhurst.

WR Playle, the NZ and Auckland cricketer, was a nephew.

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| **232** | **Jack Young** | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Sydenham |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 19/2/1901 | Christchurch |  | Died | 20/3/1949 Dunedin |  | | |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |  |  |
| **1921/22 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 143 | 6/01/1922 | Auckland | Eden Park | 2 | ct |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 35 | b |  |  |  |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 144 | 23/12/1922 | England | Lancaster Park | 0 | lbw |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 28 | no |  |  |  |
| 145 | 29/12/1922 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 1 | ro |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw |  |  |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 148 | 25/12/1923 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 5 | b |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 23 | b |  |  |  |
| 149 | 31/12/1923 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 33 | no |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | no | 1 |  |  |
| 150 | 5/01/1924 | Auckland | Eden Park | 0 | ct |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 8 | b |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1921/22 | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 35 | 37 | 18.50 |  |  |  |
| 1922/23 | 2 | 4 | | 1 | | 28\* | 29 | 9.67 |  |  |  |
| 1923/24 | 3 | 6 | | 2 | | 33\* | 88 | 22.00 |  |  | 1 |
| **Total** | **6** | **12** | | **3** | | **35** | **154** | **17.11** |  |  | **1** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Auckland | 3 | 6 | | 0 | | 35 | 46 | 7.67 |  |  |  |
| Otago | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 23 | 28 | 14.00 |  |  |  |
| Wellington | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | 33\* | 52 |  |  |  | 1 |
| England | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | 28\* | 28 | 28.00 |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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**Young** had a long career for the Sydenham club playing 150 first grade matches and scoring 4,246 runs in 200 innings at 24.7. He scored five centuries and 20 half centuries with a highest score of 115 not out. Occasionally used as a bowler he took 13 wickets at 40.8. His 4,246 runs placed him eleventh in the aggregates and his 150 matches placed him sixth in appearances for the club. He was a member of the Sydenham champion winning teams in 1920/21 and 1923/24 and captain in the 1931/32 season. When his senior career finished in 1932 he had four further seasons as captain of the second grade side.

Young had a briefand average career for the province. On debut his 35 in Canterbury’s second innings helped the team to the low total of 198. Young was one of Garrard’s eight dismissals, six of whom were bowled. Auckland only required 95 runs to win by eight wickets. His best performance came in December 1923 against Wellington when he was left undefeated in both innings. He batted at eight and had a good partnership of 56 with Sandman as Canterbury reached 237. Wellington gained a lead of 86 and with Canterbury dismissed for 174, Young and Sandman had another good partnership, Wellington reached their target with the loss of six wickets. He scored 238 against Hawkes Bay in January 1920 playing for a Canterbury B team.

After retiring he became involved as an umpire and was in charge in 1938/39 of two first class matches and ten years later in January 1949 the Otago v Wellington match at Carisbrook.

Young was the eldest son of six children of Nathan and Edith Young who lived at 88 Southampton St, his father was a painter. Young worked at the Addington Workshops before he moved to Dunedin. He married Violet Line February 12 1924 and left one son, Des, when he died.

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| **233** | **Frank Aston Smith** | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Lancaster Park/Rangiora | |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 21/3/1893 | Christchurch |  | Died | 18/10/1975 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| 144 | 23/12/1922 | England | Lancaster Park | 19 | b | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |
| 145 | 29/12/1922 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 39 | b |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |
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| 1922/23 | | 2 | 4 | 0 | | 39 | 58 | 14.50 |  |  | 1 |
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| **Opponent** | | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| England | | 1 | 2 | 0 | | 19 | 19 | 9.50 |  |  | 1 |
| Auckland | | 1 | 2 | 0 | | 39 | 39 | 19.50 |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
| b | 4 | | | |

**Smith**, father of FB Smith (no 309) and grandfather of GB Smith (no 434) was one of the most flamboyant batsmen of his time. Brittenden writing in 1981 in the centenary history of the Lancaster Park club said “he was nearly always an extremely fast scorer, as was his son Brun, who went on to represent New Zealand with distinction. Frank Smith made the square cut is his specialty, and he made many runs with the shot, hitting the ball like a bullet. Small, cheerful and ruddy of face, Smith played some highly spectacular innings during the time he played for Lancaster Park from 1914 to 1942”. He played 103 matches and in 151 innings scored 4,481 runs at 32.7. He had seven centuries and 25 half centuries with his highest score 151. Seldom bowled he took 15 wickets at 35.4. Smith was captain of the 1922/23 team that won the first grade competition. He had a magic day in the 1930/31 season playing against St Albans. Batting with Ian Cromb the two of them put on 302 in 127 minutes, both reaching their century in 90 minutes. Park made 473/9 declared.

Surprisingly he only played two matches for Canterbury. Batting at seven against Auckland he came to the wicket with the score at 121 and added 71 runs with Sandman. Canterbury went on to 358 and by dismissing Auckland for 204 gained a first innings lead of 154. Canterbury won the match by 66 runs. Smith has the unusual distinction of being bowled in all four dismissals.

Smith was builder and from 1955 to 1974 he was the grounds man at Rangiora HS. He also had time to coach lower grade teams at the Sydenham club. In 1914 Smith was living at Beach Rd Woodend. He married Mary Catherine Brunton on June 8 1921, her surname was maintained by the second name given to their son Frank and grandson Geoff. By 1928 they had moved to Ayes Rd Rangiora and in 1935 to 5 Thorrington Rd. Smith was now a coal merchant. 14 years later they were in Worcester St and Smith had returned to building.

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| **234** | **Charles Theodore Rix** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| LHB | LHS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Riccarton |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 15/6/1891 | New Zealand |  |  |  | Died | 21/11/1958 | Temuka |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 144 | 23/12/1922 | England | Lancaster Park | 0 | b | 128 | 1 | 70 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 145 | 29/12/1922 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 17 | b | 32 | 0 | 15 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 10 | no | 64 | 0 | 31 | 2 |  |

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| **Season** | | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **St** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1922/23 | | 2 | 4 | 1 | | 17 | 27 | | 9.00 |  |  | | 1 |  | | 224 | 1 | 116 | 2 | 58 | 2/31 |  | 51.79 | 112.00 |
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| **Opponent** | | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **St** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| England | | 1 | 2 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 0.00 |  |  | |  |  | | 128 | 1 | 70 | 0 |  |  |  | 54.69 |  |
| Auckland | | 1 | 2 | 1 | | 17 | 27 | | 27.00 |  |  | | 1 |  | | 96 | 0 | 46 | 2 | 23 | 2/31 |  | 47.92 | 48.00 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | | |
| b | 3 | | | |  | | | b | | | | 1 | | |
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**Rix** had a long career in senior cricket with the Riccarton club beginning in 1909 and finishing in 1934 although he was out of the city living in South Canterbury for nine years from 1913 to 1921 which cost him the opportunity to impress the selectors and play for Canterbury. He played 155 matches, 192 innings, aggregate of 1,953 runs at 13.1.There were three half centuries with his highest score 86 not out. He bowled 22,019 balls and took 691 wickets at 18.1. His best figures were nine for 47 achieved against St Albans in the 1921/22 season. On 45 occasions he took five wickets in an innings and in 15 seasons took the most first grade wickets. In ten seasons he took 40 wickets or more and was the top wicket taker in Christchurch club cricket in 1921/22 with 71 wickets, in 1932/33 with 52 wickets and in 1933/34 with 46 wickets. Rix is second to Jack Kiddey in the most wickets for the club, Kiddey took 822 wickets. Tony Murdoch writing in the club’s history said “he was a short man of

about 5ft 4ins height who was an extremely accurate and persevering orthodox spinner. Rix was club captain of Riccarton from 1924 to 1932 and was also involved in the club as a coach and mentor to the younger players”.

He had a brief and unsuccessful career for Canterbury and joins that unfortunate group of players who had a pair on debut. While living in Timaru he had the unforgettable experience of playing against the Australian visiting team in March 1914. The South Canterbury Association did not want to play the match but the Temuka club offered their ground and Rix prepared the wicket. Schools were given the day off and many businesses closed for the day. South Canterbury batted first and made a respectable 180 and at the close of play the visitors were 117 for three. The next day was notable for 805 runs being scored in 262 minutes. At one stage the Australians were five for 284 but Crawford, 354 and Trumper 135 put on 289 for the eighth wicket before finally closing at 922/9. 11 bowlers were used and Rix bowled 33 overs taking five for 229.

Rix was a member of the CCA from 1927 to 1932 and in 1937 he married Ruby Comer. In 1914 Rix was living with his widowed mother and three of the family at 13 Spencer St Sydenham. By 1935 Rix was living alone at 98 Picton Avenue and was an insurance agent. Three years later Rix and his wife had moved to King St in Temuka and he was a clerk. A final move was to Cass St Temuka where they remained for the rest of their lives.

He was related to Joshua Rix who died on March 26 1887. Rix had arrived in Wellington in January 1849 with his family of two but after a few months moved to Little Akaloa where he settled with his family. He had a large family some of whom became resident in Little Akaloa and Okains Bay while others had moved to Christchurch.

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| **235** | **William Henry Ranger Cunningham** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | RFM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Sydenham/East Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 23/1/1900 | Christchurch |  |  |  | Died | 29/11/1984 | Christchurch | |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 145 | 29/12/1922 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 12 | ro | 64 | 1 | 49 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | lbw | 56 | 1 | 19 | 0 |  |
| 146 | 26/01/1923 | Otago | Carisbrook | 0 | b | 120 | 4 | 34 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 72 | 3 | 15 | 3 |  |
| 147 | **23/02/1923** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 8 | b | 200 | 6 | 73 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 33 | b | **170** | **5** | **72** | **5** |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 148 | 25/12/1923 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 13 | lbw | 160 | 1 | 83 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 17 | ct | 104 | 0 | 48 | 1 |  |
| 149 | 31/12/1923 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 1 | b | 296 | 7 | 122 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw | 32 | 0 | 23 | 0 |  |
| 150 | 5/01/1924 | Auckland | Eden Park | 17 | no | 96 | 2 | 35 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 14 | lbw | 24 | 0 | 9 | 0 |  |
| 151 | 22/02/1924 | NSW | Lancaster Park | 1 | b | 304 | 2 | 178 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 152 | **25/12/1924** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 1 | lbw | 72 | 1 | 18 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | b | **134** | **4** | **33** | **6** |  |
| 153 | **1/01/1925** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 33 | no | **195** | **2** | **83** | **5** |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | lbw | 184 | 4 | 81 | 0 | 1 |
| 154 | 6/02/1925 | Otago | Carisbrook | 0 | no | 232 | 1 | 90 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw | 56 | 2 | 22 | 1 |  |
| 155 | 27/02/1925 | Victoria | Lancaster Park | 1 | ro | 120 | 1 | 53 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 256 | 4 | 122 | 4 |  |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 159 | 25/12/1926 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 9 | lbw | 224 | 3 | 80 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | ro | 144 | 1 | 60 | 2 |  |
| 160 | 1/01/1927 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 0 | ct | 224 | 1 | 132 | 2 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | ct | 177 | 1 | 94 | 4 |  |
| 161 | 4/02/1927 | Otago | Carisbrook | 14 | b | 128 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 22 | no | 144 | 4 | 41 | 2 |  |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 165 | 2/03/1928 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 16 | no | 18 | 1 | 10 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | no |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1928/29 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 166 | 25/12/1928 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 5 | no | 148 | 9 | 48 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | no | 52 | 4 | 15 | 0 |  |
| 167 | 31/12/1928 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 9 | no | 192 | 3 | 84 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 48 | 2 | 22 | 0 |  |
| 168 | 22/02/1929 | Otago | Carisbrook | 19 | ro | 72 | 1 | 62 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 78 | 0 | 51 | 0 | 1 |
| **1930/31 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 174 | 1/01/1931 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 0 | no | 108 | 1 | 80 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 8 | b | 24 | 0 | 17 | 0 |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1922/23 | 3 | 5 | | 0 | | 33 | 55 | | 11.00 |  | |  |  | 682 | | 20 | 262 | 15 | 17.47 | 5/72 | 1 |  | 38.42 | 45.47 |
| 1923/24 | 4 | 8 | | 1 | | 17\* | 65 | | 9.29 |  | |  |  | 1016 | | 12 | 498 | 13 | 38.31 | 4/83 |  |  | 49.02 | 78.15 |
| 1924/25 | 4 | 7 | | 2 | | 33\* | 37 | | 7.40 |  | |  | 1 | 1249 | | 19 | 502 | 21 | 23.9 | 6/33 | 2 |  | 40.19 | 59.48 |
| 1926/27 | 3 | 6 | | 1 | | 22\* | 60 | | 12.00 |  | |  | 2 | 1041 | | 10 | 457 | 14 | 32.64 | 4/80 |  |  | 43.90 | 74.36 |
| 1927/28 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | 16\* | 19 | |  |  | |  |  | 18 | | 1 | 10 | 1 | 10 | 1/10 |  |  | 55.56 | 18.00 |
| 1928/29 | 3 | 4 | | 3 | | 19 | 36 | | 36.00 |  | |  | 2 | 590 | | 19 | 282 | 7 | 40.29 | 4/84 |  |  | 47.80 | 84.29 |
| 1930/31 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | 8 | 8 | | 8.00 |  | |  |  | 132 | | 1 | 97 | 1 | 97 | 1/80 |  |  | 73.48 | 132.00 |
| **Total** | **19** | **34** | | **10** | | **33\*** | **280** | | **11.67** |  | |  | **5** | **4728** | | **82** | **2108** | **72** | **29.28** | **6/33** | **3** |  | **44.59** | **65.67** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Auckland | 5 | 10 | | 3 | | 17\* | 66 | | 9.43 |  | |  |  | 1014 | | 26 | 366 | 19 | 19.26 | 6/33 | 1 |  | 36.09 | 53.37 |
| Otago | 5 | 8 | | 2 | | 22\* | 85 | | 14.17 |  | |  | 3 | 1166 | | 16 | 496 | 17 | 29.18 | 4/83 |  |  | 42.54 | 68.59 |
| Wellington | 6 | 11 | | 3 | | 33\* | 106 | | 13.25 |  | |  | 2 | 1850 | | 32 | 883 | 26 | 33.96 | 5/72 | 1 |  | 47.73 | 71.15 |
| NSW | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 2 | 3 | | 1.50 |  | |  |  | 304 | | 2 | 178 | 4 | 44.5 | 4/178 |  |  | 58.55 | 76.00 |
| Victoria | 1 | 1 | | 0 | | 1 | 1 | | 1.00 |  | |  |  | 376 | | 5 | 175 | 5 | 35 | 4/122 |  |  | 46.54 | 75.20 |
| Australia | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | 16\* | 19 | |  |  | |  |  | 18 | | 1 | 10 | 1 | 10 | 1/10 |  |  | 55.56 | 18.00 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | | |
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| ct 4 | | |  | |  | | | ct 34 | | |  | | | |
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**Cunningham**, uncle of GF Anderson (no 327), was an aggressive fast bowler who exhibited all the characteristics associated with the profession. He played 95 matches for Sydenham from 1922/23 to 1929/30 and scored 1,420 runs in 120 innings at 17.1. His highest score was his sole century 103, made in the 1926/267 season, and there were three half centuries. Cunningham took 412 wickets at 15.2. On 35 occasions he took five wickets in a match and on two occasions ten wickets in a match. He joined the East Christchurch club in 1930/31 and after a brief period retired but continued to take a keen spectator interest in the game.

The 1924/25 first class season began well for Cunningham with 13 wickets in the first two matches. Against Auckland his eight wickets for the match saw them dismissed for 88 and 73 and a victory by 332 runs which remains the second largest victory ever achieved by a Canterbury team. A week later he performed well with bat and ball. Batting at ten in the first innings Cunningham had good partnerships with Sandman and McBeath to take the team score from 184 to 290. His five wicket bag gave Canterbury a lead of 74 and they eventually won the match by 57 runs. He was very consistent during the 1926/27 season taking wickets in most innings although his strike and economy rates were quite high.

Cunningham played for New Zealand on the tour of Australia in 1925/26, appearing in four matches, and was the leading wicket taker with 13 at 48.8. He gained selection for the first national team to tour England in 1927 but clearly fell out with the captain Lowry and only appeared in seven first class matches. He bowled 75 overs and took five wickets, on some occasions not even being given the ball. However he played in 11 of the 12 minor matches often with great success. Cunningham in an interview with Dick Brittenden in 1982 said that “he believed that after being friends with Lowry in earlier times he turned against him because of his working class background. His father had come from Ireland and Lowry did not like that”. On his return from the 1927 tour Cunningham lost confidence and was not able to swing the ball both ways as previously, his first class results for Canterbury reflect that decline. He played little cricket after that tour.

He was secretary for the Sydenham club in 1924/25 and played rugby league for Canterbury. Cunningham married Marian Francis Reynolds in 1934 and in 1935 they were living at 16 Fielding St and he was a labourer. In 1946 Cunningham was at Centennial Ave and in 1957 he was at the Burnham Military Camp and said to be a soldier. In 1963 he was still there with Marian living in Ladbrooks but by 1972 he had retired and was at 2 Kawaka St Riccarton.

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| **236** | **George Richard Gregory** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | East Christchurch/West Christchurch | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 1892 | Madeley Shropshire England |  |  | Died | 17/08/1970 | Christchurch | |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 146 | 26/01/1923 | Otago | Carisbrook | 8 | b | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 147 | **23/02/1923** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 12 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **51** | **lbw** | 16 | 0 | 4 | 0 |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 148 | 25/12/1923 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 2 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 10 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 149 | 31/12/1923 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 37 | ct | 16 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 150 | 5/01/1924 | Auckland | Eden Park | 7 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 155 | 27/02/1925 | Victoria | Lancaster Park | 28 | ct | 16 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 1 |
| **1925/26 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 156 | **25/12/1925** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | **53** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 157 | 1/01/1926 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 5 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 21 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 158 | **8/01/1926** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | **58** | **b** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 6 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 159 | 25/12/1926 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 6 | ro |  |  |  |  |  |
| 160 | 1/01/1927 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 10 | ct | 8 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 162 | 24/12/1927 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 48 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 18 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| 163 | **31/12/1927** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 44 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **58** | **lbw** |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 164 | **6/01/1928** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | **67** | **ro** |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 165 | 2/03/1928 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 7 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 23 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1928/29 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 167 | 31/12/1928 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 26 | b |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1922/23 | 2 | | 3 | 0 | | 51 | 71 | | 23.67 |  | | 1 |  | | 17 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 4.00 | 1/0 |  |  | 23.53 | 17.00 |
| 1923/24 | 3 | | 6 | 0 | | 37 | 61 | | 10.17 |  | |  | 2 | | 16 | 0 | 9 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 56.25 |  |
| 1924/25 | 1 | | 1 | 0 | | 28 | 28 | | 28.00 |  | |  | 1 | | 16 | 0 | 22 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 137.50 |  |
| 1925/26 | 3 | | 5 | 0 | | 58 | 143 | | 28.60 |  | | 2 |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1926/27 | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 10 | 25 | | 6.25 |  | |  | 1 | | 8 | 0 | 17 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 212.50 | 17.00 |
| 1927/28 | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 67 | 277 | | 34.63 |  | | 2 | 1 | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1928/29 | 1 | | 1 | 0 | | 26 | 26 | | 26.00 |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total** | **16** | | **28** | **0** | | **67** | **631** | | **22.54** |  | | **5** | **5** | | **57** | **0** | **52** | **1** | **52.00** | **1/0** |  |  | **91.23** | **57.00** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 4 | | 6 | 0 | | 53 | 139 | | 23.17 |  | | 1 |  | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.00 | 1/0 |  |  | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Wellington | 6 | | 11 | 0 | | 58 | 276 | | 25.09 |  | | 2 | 4 | | 40 | 0 | 30 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 75.00 |  |
| Auckland | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 67 | 158 | | 19.75 |  | | 2 |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Victoria | 1 | | 1 | 0 | | 28 | 28 | | 28.00 |  | |  | 1 | | 16 | 0 | 22 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 137.50 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | |
| b | | 11 | | |  | | | b | | | 1 | | |
| ct | | 10 | | |  | | |  | | |  | | |
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**Gregory** was another player who had a long first grade career. He played 92 matches for East Christchurch from 1919 to 1930. In 149 innings he scored 4,923 runs at 37.8 with a highest score 129 not out. He made eight centuries and 31 half centuries. With his bowling he took 82 wickets at 33.1. Gregory was secretary of the club from 1919 to 1929. He headed the Christchurch club aggregates in 1926/27 and 1927/28 with 808 and 842 runs respectively. In 1930 there was concern that St Albans and West Christchurch had been become weakened by the admission of the HSOB and Old Collegians clubs to first grade cricket. A proposal put forward by Ernie Caygill was that there be a voluntary change over by a few players from the stronger clubs and so Gregory made the move to West Christchurch. For the next ten years until 1940 he played 66 matches and scored 3,147 runs in 111 innings with one century and 12 half centuries.

His first match for Canterbury was for the B team against Southland in January 1921 in which he scored 55 and two years later he made his first class debut in a match where Canterbury were behind by 145 runs after the first innings were completed. An all round batting performance in the second innings, in which Gregory was one of the leading contributors with 51, saw the team reach 432. Wellington were rolled for 173 and Canterbury won by 114 runs. This match is notorious for allegations that the wicket was watered and the dispute was referred to the NZC who took no action. At the beginning of the 1927/28 season he scored consistently well and was one of the leading batsmen. The Auckland match in January 1928 was a thrilling game with Canterbury winning by 11 runs. Canterbury led by 46 runs on the first innings and an even batting display enabled them to reach 251 in their second innings. Auckland were on track at 227 for four but a collapse triggered by Read and Newman gave Canterbury the victory. Gregory was described by Brittenden “as a short rather round and slightly bowlegged batsman who hit with great power”.

Later he became involved as an umpire and stood in the March 1937 match when a combined Canterbury Otago match played the MCC at Lancaster Park.

In 1919 Gregory was a clerk and he gave his address as 213 Fitzgerald Ave. In 1935 and 1938 he was at 111 Totara St, a salesman and living with Renie Mamaeroa Gregory. In 1949 Gregory was at 4 Edgeware Rd, a company manager and living with Doris Muriel Gregory. By 1963 he had retired. He made his will in 1951 and left the estate to his daughter Elizabeth. Doris died in 1970 aged 80.

**Find his marriage**

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| **237** | **Ronald Osmond Talbot** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | RM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | West Christchurch/Lancaster Park | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 26/11/1903 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 5/01/1983 | Auckland |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 146 | **26/01/1923** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | **105** | **lbw** | 88 | 1 | 38 | 3 |
| 147 | 23/02/1923 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 25 | b |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | lbw | 40 | 1 | 16 | 0 |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 148 | 25/12/1923 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 19 | b | 48 | 0 | 34 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 20 | b | 8 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| 149 | 31/12/1923 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 3 | ct | 16 | 0 | 17 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  |
| 150 | 5/01/1924 | Auckland | Eden Park | 0 | b | 24 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | b |  |  |  |  |
| 151 | 22/02/1924 | NSW | Lancaster Park | 0 | b | 56 | 0 | 53 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | b |  |  |  |  |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 154 | 6/02/1925 | Otago | Carisbrook | 12 | b | 8 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | 35 | b |  |  |  |  |
| 155 | 27/02/1925 | Victoria | Lancaster Park | 2 | ct | 24 | 0 | 21 | 0 |
| **1925/26 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 156 | 25/12/1925 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 34 | b | 40 | 0 | 30 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 104 | 0 | 63 | 3 |
| 157 | **1/01/1926** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 0 | b | **144** | **0** | **106** | **5** |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  |
| **158** | 8/01/1926 | Auckland | Eden Park | 34 | ct | 136 | 6 | 68 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b | 120 | 0 | 38 | 1 |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 161 | 4/02/1927 | Otago | Carisbrook | 26 | b | 59 | 1 | 19 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | ro |  |  |  |  |
| **1929/30 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 169 | 24/12/1929 | England | Lancaster Park | 8 | b | 36 | 0 | 14 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | 11 | ct |  |  |  |  |
| 170 | **28/12/1929** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | **50** | **ct** | 18 | 0 | 19 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | **113** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |
| 171 | 4/01/1930 | Auckland | Eden Park | 24 | lbw | 132 | 2 | 80 | 1 |
| 172 | 28/02/1930 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 23 | ct | 90 | 5 | 30 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 60 | 3 | 19 | 3 |
| **1930/31 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 173 | **25/12/1930** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 1 | ct | 90 | 2 | 38 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | **74** | **ct** | 132 | 4 | 70 | 2 |
| 174 | **1/01/1931** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 42 | b | 132 | 4 | 41 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | **61** | **b** | 78 | 4 | 32 | 0 |
| 175 | 23/01/1931 | Otago | Carisbrook | 4 | ct | 42 | 3 | 9 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw | 30 | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| **1931/32 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 176 | **25/12/1931** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | **72** | **ct** | 54 | 1 | 19 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | 6 | lbw | 78 | 0 | 78 | 1 |
| **1932/33 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 179 | **26/12/1932** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | **55** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **117** | **lbw** |  |  |  |  |
| 180 | 31/12/1932 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 11 | ct |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | no |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1922/23 | 2 | | 3 | 0 | | 105 | 149 | | 49.67 | 1 |  | | 2 | 128 | | 2 | 54 | 3 | 18 | 3/38 |  |  | 42.19 | 42.67 |
| 1923/24 | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 20 | 46 | | 5.75 |  |  | | 3 | 152 | | 0 | 117 | 2 | 58.5 | 1/34 |  |  | 76.97 | 76.00 |
| 1924/25 | 2 | | 3 | 0 | | 35 | 49 | | 16.33 |  |  | |  | 40 | | 0 | 27 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 67.50 |  |
| 1925/26 | 3 | | 5 | 0 | | 34 | 68 | | 13.60 |  |  | | 6 | 544 | | 6 | 305 | 11 | 27.73 | 5/106 | 1 |  | 56.07 | 49.45 |
| 1926/27 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 26 | 35 | | 17.50 |  |  | |  | 59 | | 1 | 19 | 2 | 9.5 |  |  |  | 32.20 | 29.50 |
| 1929/30 | 4 | | 6 | 0 | | 113 | 229 | | 38.17 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 336 | | 10 | 162 | 6 | 27 | 3/19 |  |  | 48.21 | 56.00 |
| 1930/31 | 3 | | 6 | 0 | | 74 | 182 | | 30.33 |  | 2 | | 1 | 504 | | 20 | 194 | 6 | 32.33 | 2/41 |  |  | 38.49 | 84.00 |
| 1931/32 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 72 | 78 | | 39.00 |  | 1 | |  | 132 | | 1 | 97 | 3 | 32.33 | 2/19 |  |  | 73.48 | 44.00 |
| 1932/33 | 2 | | 4 | 1 | | 117 | 192 | | 64.00 | 1 | 1 | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total** | **22** | | **39** | **1** | | **117** | **1028** | | **27.05** | **3** | **5** | | **14** | **1895** | | **40** | **975** | **33** | **29.55** | **5/106** | **1** |  | **51.67** | **57.18** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 8 | | 13 | 0 | | 105 | 365 | | 28.08 | 1 | 1 | | 6 | 709 | | 17 | 356 | 19 | 18.74 | 3/19 |  |  | 50.21 | 37.32 |
| Wellington | 6 | | 12 | 1 | | 113 | 333 | | 30.27 | 1 | 2 | | 6 | 428 | | 9 | 231 | 7 | 33 | 5/106 | 1 |  | 53.97 | 61.14 |
| Auckland | 5 | | 9 | 0 | | 117 | 306 | | 34.00 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | 634 | | 14 | 300 | 6 | 50 | 2/68 |  |  | 47.32 | 105.67 |
| NSW | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 3 | 3 | | 1.50 |  |  | |  | 56 | | 0 | 53 | 1 | 53 | 1/53 |  |  | 94.64 | 56.00 |
| Victoria | 1 | | 1 | 0 | | 2 | 2 | | 2.00 |  |  | |  | 24 | | 0 | 21 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 87.50 |  |
| England | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 11 | 19 | | 9.50 |  |  | | 1 | 36 | | 0 | 14 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 38.89 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | | |
| b 16 | |  | | |  | | | b 15 | | | |  | | |
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**Talbot**, cousin of GL Talbot (no 260) was the son of an old boy andattended Christ’s College from 1913 to 1922 being appointed a prefect in 1922 He was an outstanding school boy sportsman, a member of the 1st XI from 1919 to 1922 and captain in his final two years. He was also captain of the 1st XV in 1922. Playing against Otago BHS in 1920 he took ten wickets in an innings.

Talbot’s first club was West Christchurch, being a member from 1920 to 1924. He scored 517 runs in 15 innings at 36.9 with a highest score of 71. He then played for Lancaster Park from 1925 to 1927 scoring 1,058 runs in 22 matches and 30 innings at an average of 35.3. He hit two centuries and eight half centuries with his highest score 120. He took 62 wickets at 19.3 and on three occasions had a five wicket bag. In the 1925/26 season he headed the club aggregates with 554 runs. After 1927 he moved to join the recently formed Old Collegians club. His highest club score was 193 against Technical College, it included 13 sixes.

By scoring a century on his first class debut he became the third Canterbury players to achieve that feat. At one stage he had 17 singles in succession but later hit out well. Canterbury reached 284 and with rain over night Otago fell for 97 and had to follow on. A better performance in their second innings enabled Otago to reach 207 but Canterbury won by 10 wickets. One of his best performances was against Wellington in December 1929. In response to Wellington’s 366/9 declared Canterbury only made 209 with Talbot and Roberts making half centuries. Canterbury needed 408 for victory and the team responded well. Talbot batting five came to the wicket at three for 111 and a century partnership in an hour with Lester brought the score to 290 when Talbot left. The lower order also contributed and Canterbury only failed by 19 runs. Talbot played an important part in the famous match against Auckland in December 1930. Auckland made 164 and Canterbury responded with 229. All the Auckland batsmen contributed to make 537 and lead by 472 runs. In a remarkable display of aggressive batting Canterbury scored at 75 runs per hour and reached the target with four minutes to spare and with four wickets in hand. He had another great match in December 1932 playing against Auckland. Heavy rain prevented any play on the first day and Talbot opening the batting was brilliant with a number of good partnerships. Canterbury led by nine runs on the first innings and at the end of the third day Talbot was 33 not out. He batted aggressively on the final day and dominated the game. Canterbury were all out for 255 but Auckland only had two and half hours left and ran out of time. He is one of only three players who have made a century and a half century in the same game.

Talbot moved to Dunedin and played four matches for Otago from 1933 to 1936 scoring 151 runs at 18.7 with one half century.

He was selected for the NZ tour of England in 1931 playing 24 matches. In 38 innings he scored 759 runs at 23.7. In Hintz’s book on the tour Talbot was said “to have dropped his natural forcing game for orthodox batting and was not very successful”. Towards the end he changed his approach and one instance is remembered for almost clearing the pavilion at Lords with a straight drive, only achieved once before. He has been described as “broad of shoulder, square of jaw, an aggressive all rounder particularly strong on the cut and drive, a dashing player inclined to be ineffective when orthodox”.

Talbot played rugby for Canterbury as a centre in 1924 and 1925 and spent a year in 1933 coaching at Christ’s College. He served in World War 2 and worked in the insurance industry before moving to Dunedin as manager of the SIMU branch.

In 1928 Talbot was living at 59 Gloucester St, an insurance clerk and living with Rita Talbot, a spinster. He married Jennie Noble Adams in 1930 and in 1938 they were Grendon St Dunedin North. They lived there until he retired and moved to Auckland in the mid 1970’s,

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| **238** | **Robert Frederick James Powell** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | West Christchurch HS | |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Riccarton |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 27 April 1902 | Sydney Australia |  | Died | 25/2/1976 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |

**1922/23 Season**

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| 146 | 26/01/1923 | Otago | Carisbrook | 41 | b | 2 |  |
| 147 | 23/02/1923 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 10 | lbw | 1 |  |
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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1922/23 | 2 | 3 | | 1 | | 41 | 79 | 39.50 |  |  | 3 |
|  |  |  | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Otago | 1 | 1 | | 0 | | 41 | 41 | 41.00 |  |  | 2 |
| Wellington | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | 28\* | 38 | 38.00 |  |  | 1 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
| b | | | 1 | |
| lbw | | | 1 | |

**Powell**, brother of JL Powell (no254), attended Christchurch BHS from 1912 to 1918. He played for the Riccarton club from the 1919/20 season to 1923/24. In a short career he scored 988 runs in 44 innings and 52 matches with a highest score of 107. There were four half centuries. Bowling 1,416 balls he took 46 wickets at 21.3. He only played one first grade match in his first season scoring 11 but he obviously had made a rapid promotion going from the Junior B and Junior A teams. A century score of 138 not out for the A’s clearly hasten his advance. A third younger brother, Frank, joined his two brothers in the Riccarton senior team from the 1922/23 season.

Tony Murdoch writing of the Powell’s said “that they lived in Picton Ave and had followed their father to the Riccarton club. The family was very much part of the grass roots of the club and folk lore has it they were a bit of a handful living life to the full, particularly after their mother died.

In his debut first class match batting at six he had a partnership with Talbot of 109 and the team reached 284. Otago batted poorly and Canterbury won by 10 wickets. In his second match a month later he batted at eight and then at nine in the second innings. Canterbury were 145 runs behind on the first innings but Powell and Gregory put on 73 for the eight wicket as Canterbury made 432. They gained a famous victory by 144 runs when Wellington were all out for 173 in the second bat.

Powell maintained his interest in the sport after retiring becoming an umpire and stood in a Hawke Cup match in March 1956 between Waikato and Manawatu and later two Plunket Shield matches in 1961/2 and 1962/63, both played in Hamilton.

In 1928 Powell was a stock agent living in Culverden. He married Edna Miles in 1932. They were at 27 Banks Ave in 1946 and still there in 1972.

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| **239** | **Malcolm Kittson Boon** | |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | W/K |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | West Christchurch HS | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Lancaster Park | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 22/7/1902 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 12/07/1988 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** | **Stumpings** |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 146 | 26/01/1923 | Otago | Carisbrook | 1 | ct |  |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 149 | 31/12/1923 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 28 | ct | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | b |  |  |
| 150 | 5/01/1924 | Auckland | Eden Park | 11 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  | 1 |
| 151 | 22/02/1924 | NSW | Lancaster Park | 0 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 13 | b |  |  |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 152 | 25/12/1924 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 17 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 25 | ct |  |  |
| 153 | **1/01/1925** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 6 | ro | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **62** | **b** |  |  |
| 154 | 6/02/1925 | Otago | Carisbrook | 0 | ct | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | ct | 1 |  |
| 155 | 27/02/1925 | Victoria | Lancaster Park | 11 | ct |  |  |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 159 | **25/12/1926** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 2 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **72** | **b** |  |  |
| 160 | 1/01/1927 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 0 | b | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 41 | ct |  |  |
| 161 | 4/02/1927 | Otago | Carisbrook | 18 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 26 | b |  | 1 |

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| **Season** | | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| 1922/23 | | 1 | 1 | 0 | | 1 | 1 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |
| 1923/24 | | 3 | 6 | 0 | | 28 | 59 | 9.83 |  |  | 1 | 2 |
| 1924/25 | | 4 | 7 | 0 | | 62 | 133 | 19.00 |  | 1 | 6 | 1 |
| 1926/27 | | 3 | 6 | 0 | | 72 | 159 | 26.50 |  | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| **Total** | | **11** | **20** | **0** | | **72** | **352** | **17.60** |  | **2** | **9** | **4** |
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| **Opponent** | | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| Otago | | 3 | 5 | 0 | | 26 | 57 | 11.40 |  |  | 2 | 2 |
| Wellington | | 3 | 6 | 0 | | 62 | 144 | 24.00 |  | 1 | 7 | 1 |
| Auckland | | 3 | 6 | 0 | | 72 | 127 | 21.17 |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| NSW | | 1 | 2 | 0 | | 13 | 13 | 6.50 |  |  |  |  |
| Victoria | | 1 | 1 | 0 | | 11 | 11 | 11.00 |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
| b | 9 | | | |
| ct | 10 | | | |
| ro | 1 | | | |

**Boon** played for Lancaster Park from 1921 to 1929. He scored 2,580 runs in 101 innings and 72 matches. There were four centuries and 11 half centuries with a highest score of 122. He made 47 catches and 8 stumpings. Boon was a member of the third grade champion team in 1920/21 before moving to the senior team the following season which won the first grade competition. Boon was secretary of the club in the 1929/30 season.

His first half century in first class cricket of 62 came in January 1925 in a 99 run partnership with Patrick and Canterbury scored 315 and won the match by 57 runs. Against Auckland in December 1926 Canterbury were behind by 92 runs on the first innings and were 60 for five when he joined Page. The two had an aggressive partnership and Boon, later joined by Read, saw Canterbury through to 257. Auckland reached their target of 165 runs with five wickets down.

Boon was selected to play for New Zealand against NSW in February 1924, batting at ten he scored 0 and 1. He took one catch and NZ lost by seven wickets. Three years later he played his last first class match which was for the Rest of NZ against the returning 1927 NZ team. Played at Lancaster Park, Boon scored 21 and 2 and his team lost by an innings and 43 runs.

By 1930 Boon was living in the Poverty Bay area and he played a number of matches for the province from December 1932 to February 1937 for the Hawke and Kirk cups. Boon also played for Poverty Bay against the MCC team in February 1936. His highest score in these minor matches was 57 against Hawkes Bay in December 1936.

Boon was an outstanding lawn bowler, a specialist singles player and a shrewd lead. He won five Canterbury titles and represented the province over a long period, even at the age of 70. He represented NZ at the 1962 commonwealth Games in Perth, playing as the lead in the fours.

In spite of his sporting success Boon was particularly well known in golfing circles for a remarkable birdie at the Christchurch golf course. In 1968 playing the par five fourth hole his drive found the middle of the fairway. However his second shot was sliced on to the road and hitting a passing car rebounded back on to the fairway. His third shot had a similar fate landing on a passing van and bouncing on to the green 10 metres from the hole. Boon sanked the putt for a unique birdie.

Boon had a very large estate when he died, well over $300,000. No children were mentioned in his will dated September 18 1987, but he left substantial amounts to family and $20,000 each to organizations such as the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Cats protection Society, the Anglican City Mission and Nurse Maude.

In 1928 Boon was living at 55 Mathesons Rd with his family. He was clerk. He married Marguerite Millard in 1930, and shortly after they moved to Gisborne and were living at 222 Whitaker St in 1935. By 1949 they had moved back to Christchurch and were in the family house. In 1957 they were living at 748 Gloucester St and stayed there for the rest of their lives. Marguerite died 1979. Boon was a civil servant and did not work in the family firm of Boon and company.

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| **240** | **Jack Newman** | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | LM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Nelson College | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | East Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 3/7/1902 | Nelson |  |  | Died | 23/09/1996 | Nelson |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1922/23 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 147 | 23/02/1923 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 1 | no | 176 | 5 | 54 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b | 40 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 2 |

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| **Season** | | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1922/23 | | 1 | 2 | 1 | | 1\* | 1 | | 1.00 |  |  | | 2 | 216 | | 5 | 69 | 2 | 34.5 | 2/54 |  | 31.94 | 108.00 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | | |
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**Newman** attended Nelson College from 1917 to 1922 and was a prefect in his final year. From 1920 he was a member of the 1st XI and 1st XV.

He was first selected for Nelson in the 1918/19 season at the age 16 and came to prominence in the 1921/22 season when he took 27 wickets in three Hawke cup matches. His five for 93 for the Minor Associations against the MCC in 1922/23 brought him selection for Canterbury’s final match of the season in February 1923. This, his only match for Canterbury, was the well known game where Canterbury compiled 432 in the second innings to win the match and take the Plunket Shield.

His next first class appearance was for Wellington eight years later as by this time Nelson had became aligned to that province. In all he played 13 matches for Wellington between 1932 and 1936 scoring 172 runs at 9.5 and taking 65 wickets at 21.

Newman was selected for NZ to play against South Africa in February 1932 and he had his final two tests against the MCC in March 1933. In that series Hammond was in superb form and Newman had figures of 0 for 91 and 0 for 87 and suffered the fate of three successive sixes hit off him. He played three tests for NZ scoring 33 runs at 8.2 and took two wickets at 127.

His entire representative career covered 38 remarkable seasons with his last match for Nelson in the 1955/56 season. Newman was a NZ selector for five seasons from 1958/59 and President of the NZ Cricket Council for three years from 1964/65. Newman was a life member of NZ Cricket and NZ Cricket Foundation which he helped to establish in 1974.

He was a pioneer of the road transport industry in New Zealand joining the small family business in 1922 helping to transform it into a major bus company. It later expanded into the airline business became Anset airlines. He was on the Board of Governors of Nelson College and was knighted in 1977. When he died at the age of 94 he was New Zealand’s oldest living first class cricketer and the world’s oldest test cricketer.

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| **241** | **Charles Joshua Oliver** | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Sydenham |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 1/11/1905 | Wanganui |  |  | Died | 25/09/1977 | | Brisbane | |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 148 | **25/12/1923** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | 4 | ct |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | **58** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 149 | 31/12/1923 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 20 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 33 | ct |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| 150 | **5/01/1924** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | 5 | st |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | **72** | **st** |  |  |  |  |  |
| 151 | 22/02/1924 | NSW | Lancaster Park | 3 | ro | 8 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 14 | ro |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 152 | 25/12/1924 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 46 | ct |  |  |  |  | 3 |
|  |  |  |  | 15 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| 153 | 25/12/1924 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 13 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 154 | 6/02/1925 | Otago | Carisbrook | 10 | ct |  |  |  |  | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | 39 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 155 | **27/02/1925** | **Victoria** | **Lancaster Park** | **91** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 159 | 25/12/1926 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 29 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 160 | **1/01/1927** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 16 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **62** | **ct** |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 161 | **4/02/1927** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | 19 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **66** | **ct** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 162 | 24/12/1927 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 4 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | no |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1934/35 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 186 | 25/12/1934 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 13 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 35 | b | 6 | 0 | 5 | 0 |  |
| 187 | 31/12/1934 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 5 | b |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| **1936/37 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 193 | 25/12/1936 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 35 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| 194 | 1/01/1937 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 2 | b |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1923/24 | | 4 | 8 | | 0 | 58 | 209 | 26.13 |  | 2 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 10 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| 1924/25 | | 4 | 7 | | 0 | 91 | 214 | 30.57 |  | 1 | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1926/27 | | 3 | 6 | | 0 | 66 | 192 | 32.00 |  | 2 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1927/28 | | 1 | 2 | | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1934/35 | | 2 | 3 | | 0 | 35 | 53 | 17.67 |  |  | 1 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| 1936/37 | | 2 | 3 | | 0 | 35 | 41 | 13.67 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total** | | **16** | **29** | | **1** | **72** | **713** | 25.46 |  | **5** | **13** | **14** | **0** | **15** | **0** |  |  | **107.1** |  |
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| **Opponent** | | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | | 4 | 8 | | 1 | 66 | 200 | 28.57 |  | 2 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wellington | | 5 | 8 | | 0 | 62 | 151 | 18.88 |  | 1 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Auckland | | 5 | 10 | | 0 | 72 | 254 | 25.40 |  | 1 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 0 |  |  | 83.33 |  |
| NSW | | 1 | 2 | | 0 | 14 | 17 | 8.50 |  |  | 1 | 8 | 0 | 10 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| Victoria | | 1 | 1 | | 0 | 91 | 91 | 91.00 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting Dismissals** | | | |
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**Oliver,** as an 18 year old, represented Canterbury at both rugby and cricket and later became one of a select group of sportsmen to have represented New Zealand at both cricket and rugby. He was a member of the Sydenham cricket club and after two seasons in the lower grades first played senior cricket in 1923/24. He played 170 matches and scored 7,852 runs in 190 innings. There were 20 centuries and 46 half centuries with a highest score 195. He took 129 wickets at 24.1 and on six occasions took five wickets in an innings. His best season was in 1934/35 when he made 972 runs and hit five centuries with his highest score of 162 against West Christchurch. His aggregate ranks him fourth in Christchurch club cricket and his total of five centuries is second behind Blunt who made six centuries in 1924/25. Reese said “he was a dashing batsman, a little lacking in defence”.

His debut first class match involved a heavy defeat with Otago winning by 218 runs. Canterbury were behind by 154 runs on the first innings and although ten batsmen got into double figures with Oliver top scoring with his 58 they were soundly beaten. Reese said “that his 58 was a merry hit, the brightest innings of the match”. Two weeks later he was again on the losing side with Auckland winning by 10 wickets. In Canterbury’s second innings Oliver had a 111 runs partnership with Blunt and the two of them scored 176 of the team’s 242 runs. Oliver’s highest score of 91 came against Victoria in February 1925. He came into bat at seven with the score at 267 and had a good partnership with Patrick of 63. Canterbury made 426 with four players making more than 70. Victoria replied with 232 and at the end of the third day they were 448 for seven. The match was drawn.

After an average 1924/25 season he was selected to tour Australia in the 1925/6 season playing four matches and scoring 218 runs at an average of 31.14. He toured England in 1927 but was less successful, Reese commenting that “throughout the tour he was unlucky but as fielder in the deep he was outstanding and never lost his flashing energy”. Cunningham, his fast bowling compatriot on the tour, believed that Lowry disliked them because of their working class background. Oliver only played in ten first class matches averaging 15.21 in 17 innings with a highest score of 31.

In February 1935 he played for the South island in an inter island match and had a good double of 58 and 71, the South won by six wickets. His final first class match was in April 1943 playing for NZ Air Force against the NZ Army at Lancaster Park. Captaining the Air Force he batted low in the order with 1 and 17 not out. In later years he coached extensively at the Sydenham club and for the CCA.

Oliver played rugby for Canterbury from 1924 to 1935. He was captain of the Ranfurly Shield team in 1931. He first played for the All Blacks in 1928 against New South Wales, and then toured Australia in 1929, playing in two of the test matches. He was next chosen for New Zealand in 1931, for the one off test against Australia, but had to withdraw because of blood poisoning after having his hand bitten in a provincial match. After touring Australia with the All Blacks in 1934, Oliver was made vice-captain of the 1935/36 team to Great Britain, playing in 21 matches including all four tests. Despite suffering a leg injury early on he was one of the tour successes, and was rated by some as the outstanding player of the side. With fellow team member Eric Tindill, Oliver broke new ground by writing a book “The Tour of the Third All Blacks”. He was considered a steady player, quick in seizing an opening and a fine defender. His son-in-law Dave Gillespie was an All Black in 1957, 1958 and 1960.

Oliver, who was considered a down to earth fellow by team mates, worked in the Breweries, later as a carpenter for New Zealand Railways. Oliver lived at home at 37 Malcolm Ave until he married Jean Gurney in 1936. They lived in Fitzgerald Ave but by 1946 they had moved to 61b Tasman St Brooklyn in Wellington where his occupation was given as a physical director. Later he was a commercial traveller and in 1954 was living in Karori. In 1969 Oliver and his wife had retired to Hastings.

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| **242** | **Kendall Reginald James Von Tunzlemann Saxon** | | | | |  |
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| W/k |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Nelson College | |  |  |  |  |
| District | Nelson |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 1/9/1894 | New Zealand |  | Died | 1/06/1976 | Harrow Middlesex |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** |  |
| **1923/24 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| 151 | 22/02/1924 | NSW | Lancaster Park | 43 | b |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b |  |

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| **Season** | | **M** | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1923/24 | | 1 | 2 | 0 | | 43 | 43 | 21.50 |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
| b | 2 | | | |

**Saxon** attended Nelson College from 1908 to 1912, a member of the 1st XI 1910 to 1912 and a member of the 1st XV in 1911.

Saxon played four Hawke Cup matches for Nelson in the 1922/23 and 1923/24 seasons and also against the MCC in January 1923. He opened the batting and was very successful, clearly Nelson’s best batsman.

Saxon was selected for Canterbury while playing in Nelson and in his only first class match opened with Blunt putting on 31. Canterbury made 241and NSW dominated the bowling declaring at 599 for eight. There were eight byes. Canterbury failed badly in the second innings, all out for 81, and lost by an innings and 277 runs.

Saxon was also a very talented rugby player and played for Nelson. He moved to England to study at Emmanuel College Cambridge and gained a blue for rugby and athletics, graduating with a MA in 1925. He continued his cricket career in England playing 27 matches in the Minor Counties championship for Cambridgeshire from August 1927 to August 1934. Saxon was a reserve for England on the wing in 1921 and 1922.

He taught at Nelson College between 1913 and 1925 before his move to Cambridge. He was on the staff of Merchant College from 1922 to 1925, later at Tailors School Middlesex from 1928 to 1954 and he had a final move to a school in Boscombe in Hants.

Saxon was the youngest of seven children born to Clara Harriet and James Buller Saxon. He had a twin Kathleen. Brother John was killed France in WW1 in 1917. Interestingly there was a school teacher, Von Tunzleman, at Nelson College from 1875 to 1876, who taught French, the same name as the third christian name of all Saxon’s siblings.

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| **243** | **Earnest Arthur Gasson** | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Sydenham |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 14/8/1887 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 3/03/1962 | Christchurch | |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 152 | 25/12/1924 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 27 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 21 | lbw |  |  |  |  |  |
| 153 | 1/01/1925 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 20 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 154 | 6/02/1925 | Otago | Carisbrook | 0 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 18 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1925/26 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 156 | 25/12/1925 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 0 | ct |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| 157 | 1/01/1926 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 17 | st |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 27 | b |  |  |  |  |  |
| 158 | 8/02/1926 | Auckland | Eden Park | 5 | ct | 24 | 0 | 12 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 20 | st |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1924/25 | 3 | 6 | | 0 | | 27 | 93 | 15.50 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1925/26 | 3 | 5 | | 0 | | 27 | 69 | 13.80 |  |  | 5 | 24 | 0 | 12 | 0 |  |  | 50.00 |  |
| **Total** | **6** | **11** | | **0** | | **27** | **162** | **14.73** |  |  | **5** | **24** | **0** | **12** | **0** |  |  | **50.00** |  |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Auckland | 2 | 4 | | 0 | | 27 | 73 | 18.25 |  |  | 3 | 24 | 0 | 12 | 0 |  |  | 50.00 |  |
| Wellington | 2 | 4 | | 0 | | 27 | 71 | 17.75 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Otago | 2 | 3 | | 0 | | 18 | 18 | 6.00 |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
| b 4 | | |  | |
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**Gasson**, father of EA Gasson (no 281), played 81 first grade matches for Sydenham and scored 2,239 runs at 22.8 in 113 innings. He made two centuries and five half centuries with a highest score of 121. Bowling he took 41 wickets at 16.9. Gasson joined the club as a schoolboy in 1898 and played senior cricket until 1925. He held various offices in the Sydenham club and in particular took a keen interest in the younger players. He was made a life member in 1949 and was Patron of the club from 1956/57 until his death in 1962; an active involvement with the club for over 60 years.

His first class career was brief and relatively unsuccessful. His highest score of 27 came in his debut match which created a record victory over of 342 runs. Gasson opened the batting and put on 63 with Blunt. Canterbury went on to score 214. Auckland were bowled out for 88 and Gasson, and again batting with Blunt put on 32 for the first wicket. Canterbury had a lead of 415 and Cunningham’s six wickets destroyed Auckland who were all out for 73. He was less successful in January 1926 when Canterbury lost by an innings and 332 runs. After Wellington had scored 497, Canterbury were bowled out for 37 with Gasson top scoring with 17. Following on they fared little better by making 128 and Gasson, batting at six, top scored with his 27.

Gasson was a Canterbury selector in the 1956/57 and 1957/58 seasons. He was a builder on his own account but later was a government valuer. Gasson played rugby league for Canterbury and took a keen interest in boxing, being on the Canterbury Boxing Association for some years.

He married Vera Brunsden in September 19 1907 and she died September 9 1986 at the age of 99, their first son Ernest was born on November 11 1907 and died in the Second World War. A daughter Vera was born in 1910. Unusually his son had the same first name as his father. Five years after his marriage they were at 98 Queen St before moving to 39 Langdown St Sydenham until a final move to 39 Waltham Rd in 1949.

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| **244** | **Arthur Cox** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |
| Club | Riccarton |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 7/12/1904 | Christchurch |  | Died | 19/09/1977 | Christchurch |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |
| **1924/25 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| 155 | **27/02/1925** | **Victoria** | **Lancaster Park** | **82** | **ct** |  |
| **1925/26 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| 156 | **25/12/1925** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | **204** | **st** | 1 |
| 157 | 1/01/1926 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 5 | b |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | ct |  |
| 158 | **8/01/1926** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | **87** | **ct** |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | lbw |  |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| 159 | 25/12/1926 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 0 | ct |  |
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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1924/25 | 1 | 1 | | 0 | | 82 | 82 | 82.00 |  | 1 |  |
| 1925/26 | 3 | 5 | | 0 | | 204 | 304 | 60.80 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1926/27 | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 10 | 10 | 5.00 |  |  |  |
| **Total** | **5** | **8** | | **0** | | **204** | **396** | **49.50** | **1** | **2** | **1** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Auckland | 2 | 4 | | 0 | | 87 | 101 | 25.25 |  | 1 |  |
| Victoria | 1 | 1 | | 0 | | 82 | 82 | 82.00 |  | 1 |  |
| Otago | 1 | 1 | | 0 | | 204 | 204 | 204.00 | 1 |  | 1 |
| Wellington | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 5 | 9 | 4.50 |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
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**Cox** attended Christchurch BHS from 1919 to 1920. As a member of the Riccarton club from 1924/25 to 1931/32 he scored 2,763 runs in 97 innings and 74 matches. Cox scored four centuries and 11 half centuries with a highest score of 166. He made 33 catches and three stumpings.

He had a great start to his first class career, coming to the crease with Canterbury at three for 51, he had century partnerships with Crawford and Patrick and when he was out caught Canterbury had reached 267. Victoria only made 232 in response to Canterbury’s 426 but following on they were 448/7 at the close of play on the third day. A year later he opened the batting against Otago and scored the first double century for Canterbury. Cox had partnerships with Talbot of 69, Page 149 and Gregory 123 and a victory by an innings and 28 runs was achieved. In recognition of his performance the Riccarton club gave him a travelling bag at one evening’s practice. Two weeks later Cox had an opening partnership with Gregory of 113 and the team made 423 in reply to Auckland’s 416. Canterbury required 280 for victory but failed by 32 runs. Until Peter Fulton scored 221 not out in the 2004/05 season Cox’s double century was the highest score ever achieved against Otago.

Cox had a short first class career in part because he had just established a nursery/market garden business in Spreydon and could not afford the time away. In addition a badly cut hand meant he could not grip the bat properly. His son later took over the nursery. Cox was married to Dorothy Gladys May???? and in 1935 was living at 15 Wychbury St. He was a tomato grower and were still at that address in 1963.

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| **245** | **James Lloyd Findlay** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | LHS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Wellington College | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | West Christchurch | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 6/10/1895 | Christchurch |  |  |  |  | Died | 17/03/1983 | London |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1925/26 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 156 | 25/12/1925 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 9 | no | 138 | 2 | 54 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 161 | 5 | 71 | 2 |  |
| 157 | 1/01/1926 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 6 | no | 224 | 7 | 91 | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 8 | no |  |  |  |  |  |
| 158 | 8/02/1926 | Auckland | Eden Park | 1 | ct | 188 | 2 | 91 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 6 | no | 64 | 0 | 22 | 0 |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1925/26 | 3 | | 5 | 4 | | 9\* | 30 | | 30.00 |  | |  |  | | 775 | 16 | 329 | 9 | 36.56 | 4/54 |  | 42.45 | 86.11 |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | | **50** | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Auckland | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 6\* | 7 | | 7.00 |  | |  |  | | 252 | 2 | 113 | 2 | 56.50 | 2/91 |  | 44.84 | 126.00 |
| Otago | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 9\* | 9 | |  |  | |  |  | | 299 | 7 | 125 | 6 | 20.83 | 4/54 |  | 41.81 | 49.83 |
| Wellington | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | 8\* | 14 | |  |  | |  |  | | 224 | 7 | 91 | 1 | 91.00 | 1/91 |  | 40.63 | 224.00 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | |
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**Findlay**, was the second son of Sir John Findlay, a lawyer, who was a [New Zealand](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Zealand) [politician](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Politician) in the [Liberal Party](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Zealand_Liberal_Party) and the [Attorney-General](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Attorney-General_(New_Zealand)) from 1906 to 1911. He was a member of the West Christchurch club between the years of 1923 to 1936. He played 85 matches and scored 1,201 runs in 104 innings at an average of 14.1. There were two half centuries and a highest score of 74. He took 201 wickets with his 10,134 balls at 26.3, there were 10 occasions that he took five wickets in an innings.

Findlay’s best first class bowling effort came in his debut match against Otago and in his first over he had Knight stumped by Brunton for 0 and later had Blamires caught by the keeper. Otago made 191 in reply to Canterbury’s 495 in which Cox had scored his double century. Canterbury won by an innings and 28 runs. Five weeks later playing Auckland he opened the bowling and like all five bowlers used was very expensive as Auckland made 416. Canterbury replied with 423 but were unable to gain a win being dismissed in their second innings for 248 and losing by 32 runs.

After leaving Wellington College he began studying at the Imperial Service College, England, where he was subsequently captain of the College. He was in the East Survey Regiment and was wounded at the Somme in 1916, the action he was involved in brought him the MC. The following year he joined the RAF but after he was demobbed in August 1921, he was one of the first officers to join the New Zealand Permanent Air Force at Wigram. He commanded the Wigram base from 1926 to 1938. In 1930 and 1931 he was attached to the RAF and again from 1938 to 1941 when he commanded 48 Squadron and the Hooton Park Station. Findlay was then recalled to New Zealand to command Central Group, RNZAF.

In 1954 he retired to London, after having had 10 years as head of the New Zealand Joint Staff Mission and as Air Attache in Washington D.C. Air Commodore Findlay was awarded the Chevalier of the Legion d'Honneur and Commander of Legion of Merit, U.S.A. He was awarded the CBE in 1944.

He was married on August 17 1921 to Ruby Finch. A brother John Findlay played four matches for Wellington between 1910 and 1912.

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| **246** | **James Thomas Burrows** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | RHM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | HSOB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 14/7/1904 | Prebbleton |  | Died | 10/07/1991 | Christchurch | |  |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 159 | 25/12/1926 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 4 | no | 64 | 1 | 19 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | no | 40 | 0 | 14 | 0 |  |
| **1929/30 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 172 | 28/02/1930 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 3 | no | 102 | 6 | 36 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 72 | 2 | 23 | 2 | 1 |
| **1930/31 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 173 | 25/12/1930 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 5 | no | 96 | 3 | 29 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 262 | 14 | 89 | 2 |  |
| **1931/32 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 176 | 25/12/1931 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 8 | no | 48 | 3 | 22 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 192 | 10 | 68 | 4 |  |
| 177 | 1/01/1932 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 14 | no | 282 | 17 | 100 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 18 | 0 | 10 | 0 |  |
| 178 | 8/01/1932 | Auckland | Eden Park | 1 | no | 78 | 9 | 24 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 120 | 5 | 56 | 1 | 1 |
| **1932/33 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 179 | 26/12/1932 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 0 | no | 126 | 5 | 42 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | no | 66 | 2 | 26 | 1 |  |
| 180 | 31/12/1932 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 0 | no | 48 | 3 | 12 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 126 | 8 | 38 | 2 |  |
| 181 | 3/02/1933 | Otago | Carisbrook | 0 | no | 126 | 4 | 46 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | no | 72 | 3 | 30 | 1 |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1926/27 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | 4\* | 5 |  |  |  | 1 | 104 | 1 | 33 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 31.73 |  |
| 1929/30 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 3\* | 3 |  |  |  | 1 | 174 | 8 | 59 | 4 | 14.75 | 2/23 |  |  | 33.91 | 43.50 |
| 1930/31 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 5\* | 5 |  |  |  |  | 358 | 17 | 118 | 4 | 29.50 | 2/29 |  |  | 32.96 | 89.50 |
| 1931/32 | 3 | | 3 | 3 | | 14\* | 23 |  |  |  | 1 | 738 | 44 | 280 | 13 | 21.54 | 4/24 |  |  | 37.94 | 56.77 |
| 1932/33 | 3 | | 5 | 5 | | 0\* | 0 |  |  |  | 1 | 564 | 25 | 194 | 10 | 19.40 | 3/46 |  |  | 34.40 | 56.40 |
| **Total** | **9** | | **12** | **12** | | **14\*** | **36** |  |  |  | **4** | **1938** | **95** | **684** | **31** | **22.06** | **4/24** |  |  | **35.29** | **62.52** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Auckland | 4 | | 6 | 6 | | 5\* | 11 |  |  |  | 2 | 852 | 39 | 299 | 12 | 24.92 | 4/24 |  |  | 35.09 | 71.00 |
| Otago | 3 | | 4 | 4 | | 8\* | 11 |  |  |  | 1 | 612 | 28 | 225 | 14 | 16.07 | 4/68 |  |  | 36.76 | 43.71 |
| Wellington | 2 | | 2 | 2 | | 14\* | 14 |  |  |  | 1 | 474 | 28 | 160 | 5 | 32.00 | 2/38 |  |  | 33.76 | 94.80 |
| **Bowling dismissals** | | | | |
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| lbw | | 5 | | |

**Burrows** attended Christchurch BHS from 1918 to 1922, and was the senior boxing champion in his last two years. He was captain of the 1st XV and 1st XI in 1922 and the Deans Memorial scholar in 1922.

He had one season with the St Albans club before joining the newly formed HSOB club and from 1923/24 until 1933/34 he played 53 senior matches scoring 636 runs at 64 innings at 14.5 average. His highest score was 81, his only half century. Burrows took 165 wickets at 18.3 bowling 7,800 balls. On four occasions he took five wickets in an innings.

After a slow start to his first class career Burrows became one of the most successful bowlers in the team in his last two seasons. The December 1931 match against Otago is one of the most remarkable matches between the two provinces. Canterbury replied with 472, all batsmen except for Burrows got to double figures, to Otago’s 161. In Otago’s second innings Blunt was at his brilliant best and scored 338 putting on 184 with Hawkesworth for the 10th wicket. Burrows was the best Canterbury bowler with four for 68 off 32 overs and although Canterbury struggled to reach the 278 required for victory they reached the mark with seven wickets down. Burrows best bowling feat came against Auckland in January 1932 when his four for 24 helped to dismiss the opposition for 56. It was said to be a good wicket and conditions were ideal. In a low scoring match Canterbury reached their second innings target of 98 with only two wickets down. Reese believed “that he was the bowler of the side, a genuine steadier who generally kept the batsmen quiet”. An economical medium pace bowler Burrows had the unusual distinction that in his 12 first class innings he was never dismissed.

As a boxer he won a New Zealand University blues but ability in rugby was just one of the many qualities distinguishing his life. Burrows played in some outstanding Christchurch Boys High School first XVs in the early 1920s, starting as a backrow forward but switching to a hooker in the old 2-3-3 scrum formation and winning his All Black colours in this position. After making his representative debut as a 19-year old in 1923 Burrows reasserted himself in the 1925,1926 and 1927 seasons as a Canterbury and South Island representative and won an All Black jersey on the strength of a good 1927 trial. Injury frustrated his tour of South Africa in 1928 and limited him to only nine appearances. But over the latter stages he showed such good form he almost forced his way into the side for the fourth test. He was a regular member for Canterbury and the South Island in the next couple of seasons, making his last major appearance for his province in a 14-8 win over the British touring team of 1930, after which he retired with a leg injury.

An astute analyst of the game, Burrows served Canterbury rugby as the sole selector in 1932 and 1933. He was appointed to the National panel in 1936 for a two year term along with five other selectors. Burrows was the All Blacks' manager coach for the three Tests against the touring Springboks in 1937.

Burrows followed the school teaching profession after graduating from university. He taught at St Andrews College from 1923 to 1926 and then moved to Christchurch BHS until 1944. From 1945 to 1949 he was the Rector of Waitaki Boys High School. He resigned from the position when the Board rejected his nominee for the position of first assistant, which Burrows considered implied a lack of confidence in him or his judgment. Within two weeks of his resignation he was offered an appointment with New Zealand Regular Force with the rank of Colonel. Later when he had reached the retiring age of 55 he took up a position with Civil Defence for the South Island.  
 In World War II Burrows commanded the 20th Battalion in Egypt in 1940 and finished the war with the rank of Brigadier, being awarded the DSO in 1942, a bar in 1944 and the Order of Valour (Greece). In 1954 he commanded the New Zealand K Force during the Korean war and was honoured with the CBE in 1959.

A James Thomas Burrows married Mary Hogarth in August 5 1925 but she would have been aged 43 at the time, possibly incorrect. He married Elsie Wilson in 1929. Burrows had a daughter Jocelyn and a son Ian who also served in the Armed Forces. He published his autobiography, Pathway Among Men, in 1974.

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| **247** | **Douglas Charles Nixon** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| LHB | RM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | HSOB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 10/9/1898 | Fairlie |  |  | Died | 3/10/1980 | Christchurch | |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 161 | 4/02/1927 | Otago | Carisbrook | 4 | lbw | 88 | 0 | 28 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 39 | ct | 32 | 1 | 17 | 0 |  |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 162 | **24/12/1927** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | 5 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **81** | **ct** | 144 | 2 | 74 | 4 | 1 |
| 163 | 31/12/1927 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 10 | ct | 138 | 6 | 61 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | ct |  |  |  |  |  |
| 164 | 6/01/1928 | Auckland | Eden Park | 13 | ct | 30 | 0 | 15 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 44 | ct | 78 | 2 | 39 | 1 |  |
| 165 | 2/03/1928 | Australia | Lancaster Park | 4 | ct | 24 | 0 | 28 | 0 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | ct | 24 | 1 | 8 | 0 |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1926/27 | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 39 | 43 | | 21.50 |  |  | | 1 | | 120 | 1 | 45 | 1 | 45 | 1/28 |  | 37.50 | 120.00 |
| 1927/28 | 4 | 8 | | 0 | | 81 | 179 | | 22.38 |  | 1 | | 1 | | 438 | 11 | 225 | 7 | 32.14 | 4/74 |  | 51.37 | 62.57 |
| **Total** | **5** | **10** | | **0** | | **81** | **222** | | **22.20** |  | **1** | | **2** | | **558** | **12** | **270** | **8** | **33.75** | **4/74** |  | **48.39** | **69.75** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | **Inns** | | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 2 | 4 | | 0 | | 81 | 129 | | 32.25 |  | 1 | | 2 | | 264 | 3 | 119 | 5 | 23.8 | 4/74 |  | 45.08 | 52.80 |
| Wellington | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 19 | 29 | | 14.50 |  |  | |  | | 138 | 6 | 61 | 2 | 30.5 | 2/61 |  | 44.20 | 69.00 |
| Auckland | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 44 | 57 | | 28.50 |  |  | |  | | 108 | 2 | 54 | 1 | 54 | 1/39 |  | 50.00 | 108.00 |
| Australia | 1 | 2 | | 0 | | 4 | 7 | | 3.50 |  |  | |  | | 48 | 1 | 36 | 0 |  |  |  | 75.00 |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | | **Bowling dismissals** | | | | | |
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**Nixon** attended Christchurch BHS in 1913 and 1914. He played for the HSOB club from 1914/15 until 1936/37 and scored 1,566 runs in 51 matches and 59 innings at an average of 28. There were three centuries and seven half centuries with a highest score of 204. He made 15 catches and took 138 wickets at 19. On three occasions he took five wickets in an innings. His highest score was made against East Christchurch in the 1926/27 season.

He was a good all round cricketer who had a brief first class career. His highest score came against Otago on a wicket that helped the bowlers on the first two days. Otago went into bat in their second innings with a small deficit of 22 runs. An improved effort saw them score 378 and when Nixon came to the wicket Canterbury were 168 for four. However a 172 run partnership with the Hampshire professional J Newman meant Canterbury had scored 340 when he was out caught. The target of 356 was soon reached and Canterbury won by four wickets. His best bowling performance came in the same match, strangely he was not used in the first Otago innings.

Nixon played rugby for Canterbury in 1924.

He served in WW1 and was a captain in the Army in WW2. In 1919 Nixon was farming with his older brother William at 131 Riccarton Rd but by 1928 he was farming in Woodend. In 1935 he was back in Riccarton Rd and remained there until 1957 he was salesman in real estate. Around 1970 he retired and lived with his younger sister Roberta at 40 Acacia Ave. No wife or children are mentioned in his will of 25 August 1980. He left $2,000 to nephew, Russell Nixon and niece Jean Burnette, the remainder to Kathleen Plowman.

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| **248** | **Ian Malone Hamilton** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |
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| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| District | Mid Canterbury | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 13/12/1906 | Christchurch |  |  | Died | 29/08/1992 | Ashburton |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |  |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 161 | 4/02/1927 | Otago | Carisbrook | 8 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 48 | b |  |  |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 162 | 24/12/1927 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 2 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 29 | b |  |  |
| 163 | **31/12/1927** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | **77** | **ct** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 14 | b | 1 |  |
| 164 | 6/01/1928 | Auckland | Eden Park | 27 | lbw | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 26 | b | 1 |  |
| 165 | **2/03/1928** | **Australia** | **Lancaster Park** | **69** | **ct** | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | b |  |  |
| **1928/29 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 166 | 25/12/1928 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 4 | ro | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 18 | b |  |  |
| 167 | 31/12/1928 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 9 | ro |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7 | no |  |  |
| 168 | **22/02/1929** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | **77** | **lbw** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 5 | b |  |  |
| **1929/30 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 169 | 24/12/1929 | England | Lancaster Park | 9 | ct | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | ct |  |  |
| **1930/31 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 173 | **25/12/1930** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 40 | b | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **80** | **st** |  |  |
| 174 | 1/01/1931 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 5 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 24 | ro | 1 |  |
| 175 | 23/01/1931 | Otago | Carisbrook | 24 | b | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw |  |  |
| **1931/32 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 176 | 25/12/1931 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 16 | lbw | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 30 | lbw | 2 |  |
| 177 | 1/01/1932 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 47 | b | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 12 | ct |  |  |
| **1932/33 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 179 | 26/12/1932 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 10 | ct | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 3 | ct |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| 1926/27 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 48 | 56 | 28.00 |  |  |  |
| 1927/28 | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 77 | 247 | 30.88 |  | 2 | 4 |
| 1928/29 | 3 | | 6 | 1 | | 77 | 120 | 24.00 |  | 1 | 2 |
| 1929/30 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 9 | 18 | 9.00 |  |  | 1 |
| 1930/31 | 3 | | 6 | 0 | | 80 | 173 | 28.83 |  | 1 | 3 |
| 1931/32 | 2 | | 4 | 0 | | 47 | 105 | 26.25 |  |  | 5 |
| 1932/33 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 10 | 13 | 6.50 |  |  | 1 |
| **Total** | **15** | | **30** | **1** | | **80** | **732** | **25.24** |  | **4** | **16** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** |
| Otago | 5 | | 10 | 0 | | 77 | 239 | 23.90 |  | 1 | 5 |
| Wellington | 4 | | 8 | 1 | | 77 | 195 | 27.86 |  | 1 | 3 |
| Auckland | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 80 | 208 | 26.00 |  | 1 | 6 |
| Australia | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 69 | 72 | 36.00 |  | 1 | 1 |
| England | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 9 | 18 | 9.00 |  |  | 1 |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
| b 12 | |  | | |
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| st 1 | |  | | |

**Hamilton** attended Christ College from 1920 to 1925. He was a prefect in his final year and a member of the 1st XI and 1st XV for three years from 1922. Hamilton played for the Old Collegians club up until 1929 while studying in Christchurch and gaining his ARANZ.

On his first class debut he had a second innings partnership with Oliver of 123 runs for the fourth wicket. Canterbury had a good victory by 260 runs. His first major score came in the December 1927 match against Wellington in an opening partnership with Gregory of 91 but the rest of the team failed and Canterbury were all out for 252. Wellington gained a large lead of 153 and only needed 110 to win by five wickets. Hamilton’s highest score came in the remarkable match against Auckland in 1930. Canterbury needed to score 472 runs to win, this they achieved with six wickets down and Hamilton top scoring with 80. According to Reese “he had to play the rock game allowing others to score freely”. This total still remains the highest fourth innings by a winning Canterbury team and the second highest in the first class history in NZ cricket.

Playing against the Australians in March 1928 he was one of the few players to be able to combat Grimment who took 13 wickets for the match and that form brought him selection for the two tests against the touring team. Batting at three in the first match played at Eden Park he scored 40 but rain interfered with the game and it was drawn. In the second match played at Carisbook Hamilton batted at six and scored 12 and 4 and NZ lost by seven wickets.

Two years later he moved to live in Timaru and Ashburton setting up as a public accountant. He played many Minor Association matches for South Canterbury and Ashburton. He helped to select NZ trial teams for the 1949 tour and was a selector for the Ashburton Association for many years. His last match for Ashburton was against Wellington in February 1940, opening the batting he scored 18 and 15 in team scores of 182 and 119.

Hamilton had eleven years on the NZCC as the South Island Minor Association representative.

While in Christchurch he lived at 24 Main Rd Redcliffs. He married Helen Harper in 1940 and they lived at 10 Peter St Ashburton, later moving to 10 Philip St.

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| **249** | **William Edward Merritt** | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB | RHLB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School | Christchurch BHS | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | HSOB/St Albans |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 18/8/1908 | Sumner |  |  | Died | 9/06/1977 | Christchurch | |  |  |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Balls** | **Maidens** | **Runs** | **Wickets** | **Catches** |
| **1926/27 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 161 | **4/02/1927** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | 5 | b | **152** | **2** | **48** | **5** | 2 |
|  |  |  |  | 18 | ct | 48 | 2 | 20 | 3 |  |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 162 | **24/12/1927** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | 9 | ct | **141** | **4** | **73** | **5** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 186 | 4 | 88 | 1 |  |
| 163 | 31/12/1927 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 20 | ro | 198 | 2 | 133 | 4 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct | 58 | 1 | 40 | 1 |  |
| 164 | **6/01/1928** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | 37 | ct | **182** | **6** | **69** | **5** | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | b | 102 | 1 | 65 | 1 |  |
| 165 | **2/03/1928** | **Australia** | **Lancaster Park** | 2 | st | **156** | **0** | **105** | **5** |  |
|  |  |  |  | 14 | b | 34 | 0 | 30 | 0 |  |
| **1928/29 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 166 | **25/12/1928** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | 19 | b | 156 | 1 | 94 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | **84** | **ct** | 42 | 1 | 21 | 0 |  |
| 167 | 31/12/1928 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 46 | b | 228 | 5 | 127 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 120 | 8 | 39 | 1 |  |
| 168 | 22/02/1929 | Otago | Carisbrook | 0 | ct | 162 | 4 | 86 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 342 | 9 | 148 | 4 |  |
| **1929/30 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 169 | **24/12/1929** | **England** | **Lancaster Park** | 1 | b | **136** | **4** | **97** | **5** | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 9 | no |  |  |  |  |  |
| 170 | **28/12/1929** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 10 | ct | **204** | **3** | **133** | **5** |  |
|  |  |  |  | **57** | **lbw** | 144 | 2 | 74 | 4 |  |
| 171 | 4/01/1930 | Auckland | Eden Park | 8 | ct | 288 | 5 | 143 | 3 |  |
| **1930/31 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 173 | 25/12/1930 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 7 | b | 102 | 0 | 63 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 10 | no | 198 | 3 | 137 | 1 |  |
| 174 | 1/01/1931 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 33 | ct | 181 | 5 | 93 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 38 | b | 164 | 5 | 69 | 3 | 1 |
| 175 | **23/01/1931** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | 2 | b | 48 | 2 | 14 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 31 | b | **81** | **3** | **23** | **6** | 1 |
| **1931/32 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 176 | 25/12/1932 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 20 | ct | 96 | 3 | 28 | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 14 | no | 228 | 3 | 143 | 2 |  |
| 177 | **1/01/1932** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 2 | b | **288** | **1** | **159** | **7** |  |
|  |  |  |  | 17 | ct | 36 | 2 | 13 | 0 |  |
| 178 | **8/01/1932** | **Auckland** | **Eden Park** | 19 | ct | 18 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **198** | **2** | **105** | **8** | 1 |
| **1932/33 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 179 | 26/12/1932 | Auckland | Lancaster Park | 0 | ct | 206 | 5 | 92 | 3 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 34 | b | 48 | 0 | 39 | 0 |  |
| 180 | **31/12/1932** | **Wellington** | **Lancaster Park** | 15 | st | **96** | **10** | **54** | **6** | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 149 | 1 | 78 | 3 |  |
| 181 | **3/02/1933** | **Otago** | **Carisbrook** | **50** | **ct** | **264** | **9** | **100** | **5** | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 35 | b | 132 | 5 | 52 | 3 |  |
| **1935/36 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 189 | 24/12/1935 | England | Lancaster Park | 5 | b | 174 | 6 | 111 | 3 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | b | 36 | 2 | 19 | 0 |  |
| 190 | **27/12/1935** | **Wellington** | **Basin Reserve** | 4 | ct | **139** | **2** | **72** | **5** |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b | **84** | **1** | **49** | **5** |  |
| 191 | 2/01/1936 | Auckland | Eden Park | 0 | ct | 301 | 9 | 144 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 29 | b | 228 | 9 | 82 | 4 | 1 |
| 192 | **14/02/1936** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | 0 | b | **98** | **2** | **56** | **6** |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct | **264** | **9** | **125** | **7** |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| 1926/27 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 18 | | 23 | 11.50 |  |  | | 2 | 200 | 4 | 68 | 8 | 8.50 | 5/48 | 1 |  | 34.00 | 25.00 |
| 1927/28 | 4 | | 7 | 0 | | 37 | | 91 | 13.00 |  |  | | 2 | 1057 | 14 | 603 | 22 | 27.41 | 5/73 | 3 |  | 57.05 | 48.05 |
| 1928/29 | 3 | | 4 | 0 | | 84 | | 149 | 37.25 |  | 1 | | 1 | 1050 | 28 | 515 | 12 | 42.92 | 4/148 |  |  | 49.05 | 87.50 |
| 1929/30 | 3 | | 5 | 1 | | 57 | | 85 | 21.25 |  | 1 | | 1 | 770 | 14 | 447 | 17 | 26.29 | 5/97 | 2 |  | 58.05 | 45.29 |
| 1930/31 | 3 | | 6 | 1 | | 38 | | 121 | 24.20 |  |  | | 2 | 774 | 18 | 399 | 19 | 21.00 | 6/23 | 1 | 1 | 51.55 | 40.74 |
| 1931/32 | 3 | | 5 | 1 | | 20 | | 72 | 18.00 |  |  | | 2 | 864 | 11 | 454 | 22 | 20.64 | 8/105 | 2 | 1 | 52.55 | 39.27 |
| 1932/33 | 3 | | 5 | 0 | | 50 | | 134 | 26.80 |  | 1 | | 2 | 895 | 34 | 415 | 20 | 20.75 | 6/54 | 2 |  | 46.37 | 44.75 |
| 1935/36 | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 29 | | 39 | 4.88 |  |  | | 2 | 1324 | 40 | 658 | 34 | 19.35 | 7/125 | 4 | 2 | 49.70 | 38.94 |
| **Total** | **24** | | **42** | **3** | | **84** | | **714** | **18.31** |  | **3** | | **14** | **6934** | **163** | **3559** | **154** | **23.11** | **8/105** | **15** | **4** | **51.33** | **45.03** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | | **Cts** | **Balls** | **Mdns** | **Runs** | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |
| Otago | 7 | | 12 | 1 | | 50 | | 184 | 16.73 |  | 1 | | 5 | 2242 | 61 | 1004 | 56 | 17.93 | 7/125 | 6 | 2 | 44.78 | 40.04 |
| Wellington | 7 | | 12 | 0 | | 57 | | 242 | 20.17 |  | 1 | | 3 | 2089 | 48 | 1133 | 49 | 23.12 | 7/159 | 5 | 1 | 54.24 | 42.63 |
| Auckland | 7 | | 12 | 1 | | 84 | | 256 | 23.27 |  | 1 | | 4 | 2069 | 42 | 1060 | 36 | 29.44 | 8/105 | 2 | 1 | 51.23 | 57.47 |
| England | 2 | | 4 | 1 | | 9\* | | 16 | 5.33 |  |  | | 2 | 344 | 12 | 227 | 8 | 28.38 | 5/97 | 1 |  | 65.99 | 43.00 |
| Australia | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 14 | | 16 | 5.33 |  |  | |  | 190 | 0 | 135 | 5 | 27 | 5/105 | 1 |  | 71.05 | 38.00 |
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| **Ground** | **M** | | **Balls** | **Mdns** | | **Runs** | | **Wkts** | **Ave** | **Best** | **5W/I** | | **10W/M** | **R/100B** | **S/R** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lancaster | 12 | | 3237 | 81 | | 1781 | | 62 | 28.73 | 7/125 | 6 | | 2 | 55.02 | 52.21 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basin | 4 | | 1151 | 14 | | 673 | | 31 | 21.71 | 7/159 | 4 | | 1 | 58.47 | 37.13 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carisbrook | 4 | | 1229 | 36 | | 491 | | 33 | 14.88 | 6/23 | 3 | |  | 39.95 | 37.24 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eden | 4 | | 1317 | 32 | | 614 | | 28 | 21.93 | 8/105 | 2 | | 1 | 46.62 | 47.04 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |  | | **Bowling dismisslas** | | | | |
| b | | 18 | | |  | | b | | | 53 | |
| ct | | 17 | | |  | | ct | | | 58 | |
| lbw | | 1 | | |  | | lbw | | | 14 | |
| st | | 2 | | |  | | st | | | 29 | |
| ro | | 1 | | |  | |  | | |  | |

**Merritt** attended Christchurch BHS from 1923 to 1926. He played for the HSOB club from 1926/27 until 1935/36 when in that season he was a member of the St Albans club as he was contracted to the CCA as their full time coach and took 40 wickets at 16.20. His full senior career shows he played 61 matches and scored 2,093 runs in 86 innings at 27.2. There were two centuries and 12 **fifties. He took 123 wickets and on 54 ocacsions took five wickets in an innings and 18 times ten wickets in a match.** His highest score was made in the 1930/31 season against East Christchurch.

Called into the Canterbury team for the last match of the 1926/27 season Merritt had a meteoric rise to fame by taking five for 48 in Otago’s first innings and followed that with three for 20 in their second innings. He then played a non first class match against the Melbourne Club taking four wickets and two weeks playing for NZ he took three wickets for 88. On the strength of those performances Merritt was selected for New Zealand’s 1927 of England. Though no [Test matches](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_cricket) were played, the tour was a triumph. Merritt took 107 wickets and [Wisden](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wisden_Cricketers%27_Almanack) noted that though "he showed no great command of length... on certain days… and these were fairly frequent… he had the best of batsmen in trouble". On the team’s way home they played NSW and Merritt took five for 218 runs in their innings of 571. The following domestic season was very successful beginning with six wickets against Otago and a victory by four wickets. The next match against Wellington was lost and although Merritt took five wickets, six catches were dropped off his bowling. More wickets followed in the final two matches but the Australians were able to counter his spin bowling by using their feet cleverly and they won by five wickets. His highest first class score for Canterbury came the following season against Auckland. Canterbury only made 153 in reply to Auckland’s 330 and following on little improved. Merritt batting at six came to the crease at five at 117 and with Burns added 52 for the ninth wicket leaving the crease with the score at 235. However Auckland only required 78 for victory and this they achieved without losing a wicket. Merritt obtained his best figures for Canterbury in his last match in New Zealand with match figures of 13 for 181. In spite of his success Canterbury failed with the bat and Otago won by 119 runs. Merritt reached 100 wickets for Canterbury in 17 matches, second only to Callaway’s 12 matches but at 23 years 143 days he is the youngest player. However his economy rate at 50.8 runs per 100 balls ranks him fifth worst of all bowlers who have taken more than 50 wickets.

When New Zealand was elevated to Test status with the [MCC](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marylebone_Cricket_Club) tour of 1929/30, he was a certain selection but unfortunately failed to live up to expectations. In the four Tests, he took just eight wickets and, though he bowled more than any other New Zealand player, his bowling was hit for more than 3.6 runs an over, a high scoring rate for those days. Returning to England on the 1931 tour, he took 99 first-class wickets, but failed in the Tests and was dropped for the final Test at [Manchester](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Old_Trafford_(cricket)), which was in any case ruined by rain. Wisden noted that "he had his great days but in many matches bowled the bad ball far too often". Problems with maintaining a length were compounded by a tendency to over-bowl the googly at the expense of the more effective leg-break.

At the end of the 1931 tour, Merritt broke a written agreement that he would return to NZ for two years after the tour. For financial reasons he stayed in England and played League cricket for Rishton and by 1938 he had qualified by residence to play for Northamptonshire. In his one full season for the county in 1939, he scored 926 runs and took 87 wickets, though in this one English season of eight-ball overs he was conceding runs at almost five an over. Merritt returned to Northamptonshire to play one season after the [Second World War](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Second_World_War), but his appearances were restricted by a League contract to midweek games. He had initially played for Riston, later for East Lancashire and finally for Dudley before retiring in 1953. In all he scored more than 7,000 runs and took 1,150 wickets in his league cricket. Merritt played 41 matches for Northamptonshire and made 1,077 runs at 23. Bowling he took 151 wickets at 26.

He played in 60 matches for NZ, including six tests. His best bowling for NZ was eight for 41 against Essex in the opening match of the 1931 tour of England. Merritt had a number of matches for the Army in England during WW2, even a game in Bari Italy in June 1945 for West Italy against East Italy. In this match he took six for 107 and none for 43 in his 45 overs.

He was a keen member of the London NZ club and one of his last matches was for the club in April 1958 against the touring NZ team at the Oval. He bowled three overs for 35 runs.

.Merritt was a talented rugby player and was the top points scorer in Christchurch senior rugby in 1929 with 96 points, a record that stood until 1939. He represented Canterbury in the same year. Merritt also played professional rugby league in England in the 1930’s

In the 1929 he set up a sports shop with Ian Cromb, the shop maintained its name for many years even although both players had long gone. In 1935 Merritt was living at 12 Dryden St Sumner with six other people. In 1969 he was retired living at 6 Staines St with Doris Merritt and was still there in 1972.

When he returned to live in Christchurch in 1966 he was for a time was employed as a coach for the Canterbury Cricket Association. Merritt took a great interest in supporting cricket in Canterbury and was a long time member of the Canterbury cricket supporters club becoming Chairman from 1969 to 1972.

His final first class figures were 125 matches, 191 innings, 3,147 runs, hs 87, ave 19.9 24379 balls, 537 wickets 25.5 ave, best 8/41

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| **250** | **Jack Jacobs** | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RHB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Club | HSOB/Riccarton | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born | 16/4/1909 | Dunedin |  | Died | 15/06/2003 | Southport Queensland | |
| **Match** | **Date** | **Opposition** | **Venue** | **Batting** | **How Out** | **Catches** |  |
| **1927/28 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 162 | **24/12/1927** | **Otago** | **Lancaster Park** | **61** | **ct** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **69** | **ct** | 1 |  |
| 163 | 31/12/1927 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 1 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | lbw |  |  |
| 164 | 6/01/1928 | Auckland | Eden Park | 1 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 23 | ct |  |  |
| 165 | **2/03/1928** | **Australia** | **Lancaster Park** | 24 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | **60** | **ct** |  |  |
| **1928/29 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 167 | 31/12/1928 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 26 | ct |  |  |
| 168 | 22/02/1928 | Otago | Carisbrook | 10 | ct |  |  |
| **1929/30 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 172 | 28/02/1930 | Otago | Lancaster Park | 28 | ct | 1 |  |
| **1930/31 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 173 | **25/12/1930** | **Auckland** | **Lancaster Park** | **52** | **ct** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 46 | no |  |  |
| 174 | 1/01/1931 | Wellington | Lancaster Park | 0 | b |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | b | 1 | 1 |
| 175 | 23/01/1931 | Otago | Carisbrook | 2 | lbw |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | ct |  |  |
| **1937/38 Season** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 197 | 31/12/1937 | Wellington | Basin Reserve | 15 | ct |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 0 | ct |  |  |

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| **Season** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| 1927/28 | 4 | | 8 | 0 | | 69 | 239 | 29.88 |  | 3 | 1 |  |
| 1928/29 | 2 | | 2 | 0 | | 26 | 36 | 18.00 |  |  | 1 |  |
| 1929/30 | 1 | | 1 | 0 | | 28 | 28 | 28.00 |  |  |  |  |
| 1930/31 | 3 | | 6 | 1 | | 52 | 102 | 20.40 |  | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| 1937/38 | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 15 | 15 | 7.50 |  |  | 1 |  |
| **Total** | **11** | | **19** | **1** | | **69** | **420** | **23.33** |  | **4** | **5** | **1** |
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| **Opponent** | **M** | | **Inns** | **NO** | | **HS** | **Runs** | **Ave** | **100** | **50** | **Cts** | **St** |
| Otago | 4 | | 6 | 0 | | 69 | 172 | 28.67 |  | 2 | 3 |  |
| Wellington | 4 | | 7 | 0 | | 26 | 42 | 6.00 |  |  | 2 | 1 |
| Auckland | 2 | | 4 | 1 | | 52 | 122 | 40.67 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Australia | 1 | | 2 | 0 | | 60 | 84 | 42.00 |  | 1 |  |  |
| **Batting dismissals** | | | | |
| b | | 4 | | |
| ct | | 12 | | |
| lbw | | 2 | | |

**Jacobs** attended Christchurch BHS from 1921 to 1925. He initially played for the HSOB club from 1926/27 but in 1929 the CCA compelled some players to leave the stronger clubs and Jacobs joined Riccarton. He played senior cricket for his new club from 1929/30 to 1950/51 in 135 matches and scored 5,765 runs in 170 innings at an average of 36.2. Jacobs scored 14 centuries and 22 half centuries with a highest score of 202 not out. There were 87 catches and 25 stumpings. He bowled on occasions and took 19 wickets at 32.3. However in all senior cricket he scored more than 7,000 runs and finally finished with 16 centuries and 33 half centuries. He was club captain of Riccarton from 1933 to 1938 and headed the club aggregates on four occasions with scores of 579, 724, 654 and 632. His highest club score came in the 1948/49 season playing against Lancaster Park. Chasing Park’s score of 390 Riccarton were 60 for five but Jacobs batting with Cassidy and Strachan saw the score reached 290. A final partnership with Thomas of 148 runs in 66 minutes gave Riccarton the victory and Jacobs his only double century.

As an 18 year old he had a brilliant beginning to first class career, batting at three he had a second wicket partnership of 108 with Gregory although the team only reached 226. In Canterbury’s second innings, chasing 356, they were at one stage three for 92 but Jacobs again reached his half century and helped stem the loss of wickets with Newman. Canterbury reached their target with four wickets in hand. A run of low scores followed before he ended the season with another half century playing against Australia. Canterbury were 99 runs behind on the first innings and only made 201 in the second bat. All the Canterbury batsmen were troubled by Crimmett but Jacobs top scored batting “confidently throughout his innings although some of his shots were uppish”. The following two seasons were less successful and it was not until the first match of the 1930/31 season that he again reached the half century. His double was part of a very remarkable scoring match by Canterbury. Requiring 472 to win Canterbury were three for 396 after great batting from Page and Talbot. However both left at the same score and when Cromb left at 446 Canterbury had to score 26 in the remaining half hour. When Merritt arrived and hit a six on to the roof of the No 3 stand many minutes were lost finding the ball and the crowd was dismayed as much time was lost in finding the ball. With time almost up and eight runs required Jacobs faced Matheson and he scored the required runs, an over throw sealing the victory. Jacobs scored six fours in his 46 and scored quickly to complete the victory.

Jacobs served with the 23rd battalion in WW2 in Greece, Crete and North Africa. On returning to London he played six matches for the NZ Services team between May and July 1945 against a variety of teams. These games were one innings matches and in five innings Jacobs scored 58 runs at 19 average. On another occasions he played for PF Warner’s XI against NZ Services but was not required to bat. His final first class match was for the NZ Services against a very strong Leveson- Gower’s XI at Scarborough in September 1945. Batting high in the order Jacobs scored 11 and 33.

Jacobs served on the CCA and was assistant secretary in charge of club competitions in 1937/38. He married Edna after his return to NZ and immigrated to Australia in 1960. In 1938 he was a warehouseman living at 86 Springfield Rd. After the war in 1946 Jacobs and his wife lived at 235 Ashgrove Terrace. A final move was to 58a Murray Place in 1954 before emigrating to Australia.