

# *Overview of the Monash Tigers*

The **Monash Tigers** is the recent adopted trading name of the famous Richmond Cricket Club (RCC) which was established in January 1854 following the Club's first official meeting, held at the Punt Road Hotel (now the Royal Hotel) on October 1855.

On the 18th of November 1855, permission was granted for the Richmond Cricket Club to take possession of the famous Punt Road ground, which remained the home of the Tigers until 2011.

The first documented cricket match that Richmond took part in was against the Melbourne Club on December 27th 1856, with Richmond winning by 40 runs.

"The Coppin Challenge Cup"- named after the theatrical entrepreneur and founding member of the RCC, the Honorable George Coppin, is believed to be the oldest cricket cup in the history of Australian Cricket and it can still be viewed as part of the Richmond Cricket Club's Museum collection.

When England and Australia first played Cricket on equal terms in 1877, RCC had 2 players in the initial Australian XI - bowlers Tom Kendall and Jim Hodges.

In 1882, Australia selected Richmond player Sam Morris to play his one and only Test match. Morris was born in Hobart of West Indian parents, becoming the first black man to represent Australia. His score of 280 against St.Kilda at Punt Rd in the the 1881-82 season is the highest on that ground and the best by any Richmond player - ever

The Richmond Cricket Club won Premierships in 1859-60, 1860-61, 1876-77 and 1894-95, but was forced to wait until 1946-47 to snare their first win as part of the new Victorian Cricket Association.

The Club produced only 1 premiership from the turn of the century up to 1954 when the R.C.C. itself turned 100, but at the same time it produced Test cricketers in Dave Smith, Leo O'Brien, Ernie McCormick, Doug Ring and Bill Johnston.

Richmond champions also of that period who headed a fine group of State players included, Les Keating and Jack Ledward, the dashing Wally Driver and Bill Cockburn, former New South Wales player Arthur Allsopp, Stan Smith, Clive Sindrey and George Newstead, just to name a few.

It took 32 years to 1976-77 for Richmond to win another 1st XI Premiership. The Club was not completely devoid of success, winning 5 x V.C.A. Championships, 2 x 2nd XI and 2 x 3rd XI premierships.

The Club helped two exciting young cricketers to emerge, in Jim Higgs and Graham Yallop, who worked their way from the Richmond 1st XI to Victoria, and then onto the Australian Team to proudly represent their country.

Eight more state players followed their path to first class success with wicket keeper David Cowper, batsmen Peter Williams and Russell Sincock among those to achieve higher honours.

The backbone of the Club in the early 80's was a group of wonderful cricketers and fantastic Clubmen such as Victorian fast bowler John Leehane, batsmen Ian Simpson, Andrew Quarterman, Rod Byrnes and Warren Whiteside, and pace bowlers Peter McKay and Andrew Burridge.

Another outstanding crop of young cricketers arrived at Punt Rd in the 80's to compliment the experienced Geoff Richardson, they were Brian Rogers, Jim Higgs, Michael and Paul Quinn and Graham Yallop. (Yallop notching up an outstanding century in our 1982-83 grand final win)

In 1987, former Victorian and Australian player Ray Bright was appointed Captain - Coach and during his tenure, the Club won another 1st XI Premiership in 1989-90, a Club Championship in 1987-88 and the 2nd XI won Premierships in 1987-88, 1988-89 and 1990-91.

Players nurtured and encouraged to higher honours were Paul Reiffel (Richmond's 11th Test Cricketer), Paul Jackson - Victoria & Queensland, Geoff Parker - Victoria & South Australia, David Harris - Victoria, and Michael Foster - Victoria. Two former Tigers who also moved into first class ranks were Gerard Clarke and David Saker - albeit at other Clubs.

The Season of 1997-98 saw the start of a Tiger renaissance that set the scene and structure for Richmond's 1999-2000 (the fifth) 1st XI Premiership. Captain David Harris, Gavin Holland and Paul Reiffel were joined by 1st class players Ian Hewett and Jason Arnberger, and modern Club legend Allan Wise (Victoria & South Australia).

English import, Paul Collingwood brought great pride to the Club during the 2000-01 season when he won the Jack Ryder Medal, the first Richmond player to perform this fete. Paul Collingwood has since been a regular international representative for England.

The Tigers recently embarked on a new era after a bold move (in 2011) from their spiritual home at Punt Rd to their new home at Central Reserve, Glen Waverley. A strong contingent of current and former 1st class players including Cameron White, Will Sheridan, Ryan Carters and Captain/Coach Allan Wise were pivotal in leading the Club to its sixth 1st XI Premiership in Season 2011-12.

Season 2014-15 proved to be a most successful one for the club with all 4 XI's making a finals appearance, with the 1st XI runners-up & the 2nd XI winning their 13th premiership.

A guest appearance of Kevin Pietersen in a 20/20 match was a highlight of the season & watched by a large crowd at Central reserve.

This up-coming season sees our Australian players Cameron White & Dan Christian together with former Victorian & SA player Alan Wise & State representative Will Sheridan join our exiting group of young players as we attempt to win our 7th 1st XI premiership & continue to develop future State & Australian representatives.

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*October to February* season 2016/17

*(plus any Home Finals)*



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- Training nights – corporate image or company logo displayed on Tuesday and Thursday nights between 6-8pm
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