

ACS MEMBERSHIP BULLETIN NO 17 - AUGUST 2013



ACS London Meeting

The annual social meeting will be held on Saturday 23 November at the usual venue, the Yorkshire Grey public house in Holborn, central London. The meeting will begin at 12.30 pm with a sandwich lunch at 1 pm.

The next bulletin, to be published at the start of November, will give details of how to book your place. These details will also be sent to those on the email forum and placed on our website. In the meantime, please mark the date in your diary.

OFCA Reminder

In a repeat of last year's successful experiment, we are inviting advance orders for the 2013 edition of the ACS Overseas First-Class Annual. Advance orders are very helpful to the Association since they allow the committee to judge the appropriate print run for this publication. Please see details of how to order on the enclosed publications flyer.

Ambrose Award

This award, named after the late Don Ambrose, one of our most prolific and distinguished members, is made to recognise the best article published in *The Cricket Statistician* each year. The committee have decided to extend for a further year the offer of a cash prize of £250 to the winner of this award. We hope this might act as a spur to members to submit for publication their masterpiece that perhaps has lain dormant or under construction for some time.

Research Grants

It is also appropriate to remind members that research grants of up to £750 are available to help members with the cost of conducting original research that leads to material worthy of publication by the ACS. Please contact the Secretary (secretary@acscricket.com) for further details.

Membership flyer

You should have received with this mailing our latest membership flyer. We invite you to pass it on to a cricket-loving friend, pin it on your local club's notice board or otherwise spread the word. If you want to print extra copies, it will shortly be uploaded on to our website. (Go to acscricket.com, then click on 'Join the ACS' on the left-hand navigation bar.)

Elections - 15th November deadline

A reminder that any member wishing to stand for election to the committee must submit their nomination by 15 November.

Please send, in writing, any nomination – together with names and signatures of a proposer and a seconder – to ACS Nominations, 12 Russell Grove, London, NW7 3QX. Please note that your proposer and seconder should also be current members of the Association.

Not all of those current committee members due for re-election will be standing, so there is an opportunity to join to committee without feeling that by doing so, you are evicting an existing member.

Books needing a good home

In the previous bulletin, we told you about the collection of books offered to the ACS from the estate of the late Peter Byrne. It stated that, for reasons of space, books for which no offers are received by the end of August will have to be destroyed.

Sadly no offers have been received, so this is a reminder and last opportunity to boost your collection. Any amount accepted assumes the buyer will either collect the books from North West London or will arrange and pay separately for them to

be couriered. The main items offered are listed below (see the previous bulletin for the full list).

1. New Zealand cricket annuals, the first 50 editions (1948-1997)
2. South African cricket annuals, the first 35 editions (1952-1986)
3. Indian Cricket, 48 of the first 57 issues (up to 2004), excluding 1-4, 7, 8, 11, 13 and 32
4. Allan's Australian Cricket Annual, editions 3-14 inclusive (1989-90 to 2001)

Please write to or email the Secretary (secretary@acscricket.com) with your bids.

Committee Meeting Report

The second meeting of 2013/14 was held at the Space Centre, London, on Saturday 13 July. Apologies were received from Ric Finlay. The Chairman, Roger Moulton, welcomed Keith Gerrish to his first committee meeting.

It was confirmed that the 2014 AGM would be at Derby on 22 March. Derbyshire had offered to hold prices at 2013 levels.

The Chairman reported on plans for a joint conference with the Cricket Society, to be staged at De Montfort University in 2014, probably on the theme of 125 years (or not) of the County Championship.

A digitised version of the Famous Cricketers series was now available on the ACS website. It was hoped to launch the new record section on the website within weeks; the first-class section was approaching completion, and Tests and limited-overs cricket would be added later.

The committee were pleased to hear that Des Lee, the compiler of the archive of player photographs donated to the ACS, was still alive, contrary to earlier reports.

The dates for the next committee meetings are 28 September, 7 December and 18 January. Any member wishing to raise any matter should contact the Secretary.

Membership Update

We extend a warm welcome to the following new members:

Mr M.J.Bevan	Orpington, Kent	Mr A.J.Harris	Tibenham, Norfolk
Mr R.Greenhall	Oxford	Mr J.K.E.Higgs	East St Kilda, Victoria, Aus
Mr A.Haile	Wynyard, Co Durham	Mr A.H.Jackson	Llandaff, South Glamorgan
Mr P.Hardy	Radlett, Hertfordshire		

We require a change of address from the following member:

Mr P.T.Cresswell formerly of East Harling,
Norfolk

We regret to announce the death of the following members:

Mr P.A.H. Crofton	formerly of Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent	Mr B.M.Lawton	formerly of Toton, Notts
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