



# The Association of Cricket Statisticians and Historians

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### ACS Online Events in March, April and May 2026

The ACS is delighted to unveil its roster of online gatherings for the months ahead. These sessions promise a mix of lively discussion, scholarly insight and cultural exchange—perfect opportunities to connect with fellow enthusiasts, wherever you may be. For your convenience, each gathering will be hosted virtually, with details shared in advance. Please mark your calendars.

#### Literary Sports Journalism

**March 14, 10:00 GMT**

This landmark event, convened by Professors Tom Bradshaw, Kasey Symons, and Elizabeth Ellison, will explore the past, present, and future of a burgeoning field, with a special focus on cricket and the enduring influence of Neville Cardus. Expect stimulating dialogue, fresh perspectives, and a celebration of the rich interplay between sport and literature.

#### Annual General Meeting

**March 21, 10:00 GMT**

We warmly invite all members to join the 53rd Annual General Meeting of the ACS. This is your chance to take part in important discussions, hear updates on our activities, and help shape the society's future. To prepare, you can revisit the Minutes of the 2025 AGM and watch the 53-minute recording, both available in the password-protected [Members Area](#).

#### Evaluating the Whole Cricketer

**March 31, 19:00 BST**

In this seminar, Russ Houldin will present his important new paper “A Run is a Run is a Run,” exploring how cricketers might be evaluated as complete players, rather than merely as batsmen or bowlers. Drawing inspiration from baseball's sabermetrics and its influential Wins Above Replacement (WAR) model, he introduces a fresh statistical framework designed to capture cricketing quality in a holistic way. Blending rigorous analysis with new perspectives on the game's traditions and its future, this promises to be a unique and engaging discussion.



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### The History of the County Championship

**April 11, 10:00 BST**

We are excited to welcome Peter Cox for a special presentation on his new book, *125 Summers*, a sweeping reflection on the history and evolution of the County Championship. With the 2026 season on the horizon, Peter's insights will provide timely context, tracing the competition's development and its enduring role in cricket's grand narrative. This talk promises to blend historical depth with contemporary relevance, offering members a richer appreciation of the Championship's place in the game we love.

### Windrush Cricket

**May 12, 19:00 BST**

Here we host Michael Collins, author of the acclaimed *Windrush Cricket: Imperial Culture, Caribbean Migration, and the Remaking of Postwar England*. In this illuminating talk, Michael will explain how the arrival of Caribbean migrants reshaped the game in Britain, highlighting both the challenges they faced and the triumphs they achieved, both on and off the field. His insights promise to deepen our understanding of cricket's cultural transformation and the enduring legacy of the Windrush generation.

### Joining Details

All events will be hosted online. Links and access information will be circulated to members closer to each date. In the meantime, please register your interest with the membership secretary, Huw Nathan, at [membership@acscricket.com](mailto:membership@acscricket.com).

We look forward to your participation in these conversations, which extend the ACS's long tradition of blending scholarship, history and cultural appreciation.