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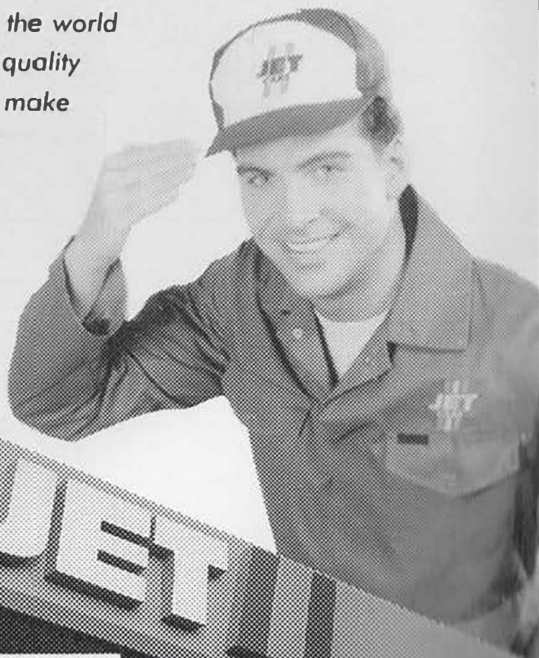
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Message from the President

FOREWORD

On behalf of Clontarf Cricket Club I extend a hearty welcome to the women cricketers of Denmark, England, Holland and Ireland.

We were delighted to accept the IWCU's invitation to stage such a prestigious event as the European Women's Cricket Cup Final despite the hard work that is involved in preparing the ground and facilities for such an important occasion. The work is shared by many and my thanks to them all.

It is only twenty years ago that women's cricket was revived in Dublin and it is incredible that the game has flourished so quickly to the extent that Ireland now compete to effect at both European and World Cup level. My congratulations to the hard working committee of the IWCU who have every reason to hold their heads high today.

It is my wish that the sun will shine and we will see an exciting game to culminate a fine tournament.

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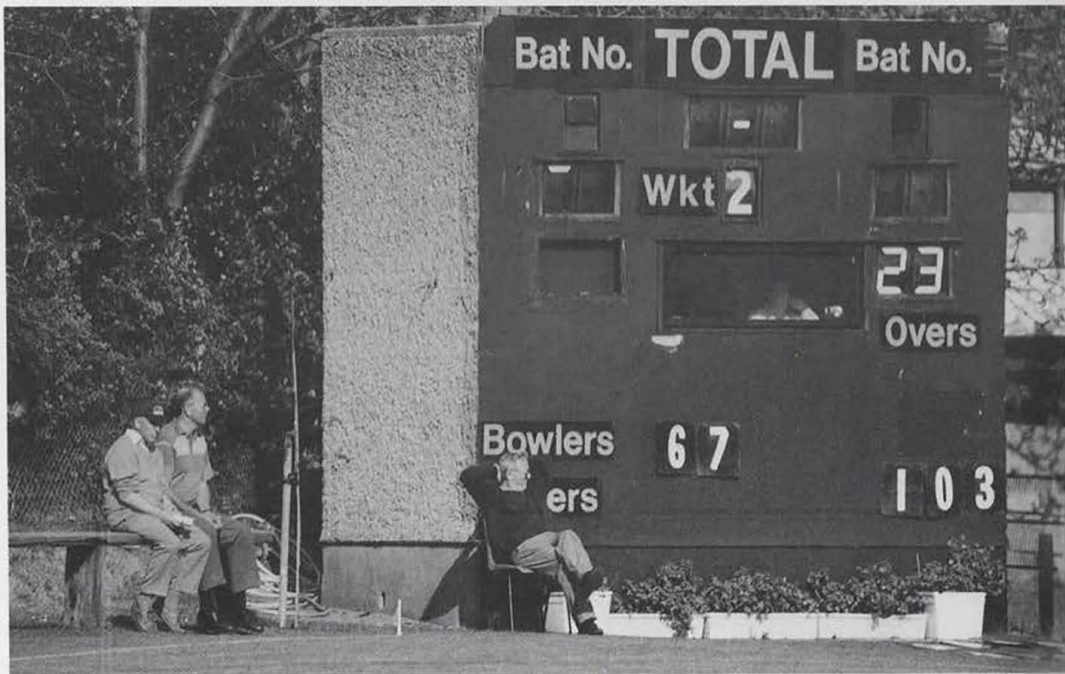
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Clontarf Batting Averages

(Excluding All Ireland competition)

Name	Career	Matches	Innings	Not Out	Most	Runs	Average	100s	50s
M. P. Rea	1989-94	83	80	9	114	3339	47.02	1	32
R. H. C. Waters	1967-69	46	45	5	120*	1496	37.40	2	9
D. A. Vincent	1981-94	220	214	25	161	6924	36.63	10	34
A. McClean	1985-94	176	161	32	121	4505	34.92	4	27
N. C. Mahony	1938-63	195	197	21	110*	5904	33.54	4	41
L. C. Jacobson	1944-60	149	147	11	103*	4023	29.58	4	17
W. J. Moynan	1945-55	121	119	20	122	2745	27.72	3	12
J. B. Bunworth	1962-89	299	289	39	128*	6745	26.98	7	33
E. A. McDermott	1963-93	539	485	55	130*	11583	26.93	10	59
J. D. Caprani	1937-51	141	144	23	119*	3027	25.01	1	20
N. P. Grier	1966-88	388	349	34	103*	7063	22.42	3	34
P. Prendergast	1981-94	138	125	9	108	2559	22.06	1	13
S. B. McMullan	1954-71	190	182	14	98	3510	20.89	—	17
B. P. Bergin	1975-94	280	236	46	83	3825	20.13	—	14
J. Fitzpatrick	1986-94	106	79	14	77	1300	20.00	4	—
M. A. Carroll	1953-77	209	190	20	124	3342	19.65	2	10
C. G. Daly	1976-93	108	89	16	62*	1384	18.95	—	4
G. J. Morgan	1930-42	137	134	8	104*	2360	18.73	2	7
F. J. Carroll	1957-90	460	353	89	109	4838	18.32	2	7
E. N. Seymour	1922-31	79	75	3	80	1303	18.09	—	7
J. M. Nolan	1968-87	259	226	63	67*	2948	18.08	—	5
E. d'H. Dexter	1944-64	155	147	15	94	2372	17.96	—	11
A. W. D. Spence	1956-89	247	217	23	74*	3323	17.12	—	10
J. W. Hill	1935-60	203	187	31	119	2481	15.90	2	3
L. P. Hughes	1959-87	370	286	41	103	3890	15.87	1	9
G. M. Carroll	1950-64	128	114	13	72*	1518	15.02	—	1
D. A. Sweeney	1954-68	108	106	7	77*	1427	14.41	—	4
D. F. Fitzgerald	1933-52	164	136	32	81*	1466	14.09	—	7
J. J. Ledwidge	1920-34	163	150	20	69	1699	13.06	—	3
P. J. Bourke	1936-52	194	173	9	91	1954	11.91	—	1
A. R. White	1920-43	215	197	31	87*	1709	10.29	—	2
E. H. Bodell	1944-76	350	231	57	49	1720	9.88	—	—

*Not out.

Qualification: 1,200 runs in Senior League and Cup competitions since 1920.



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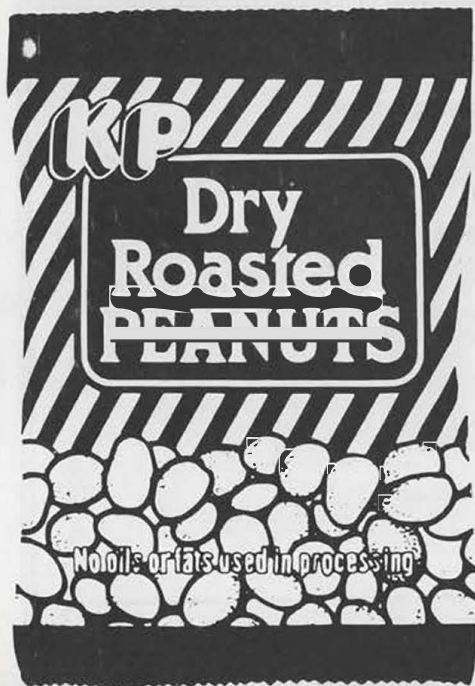
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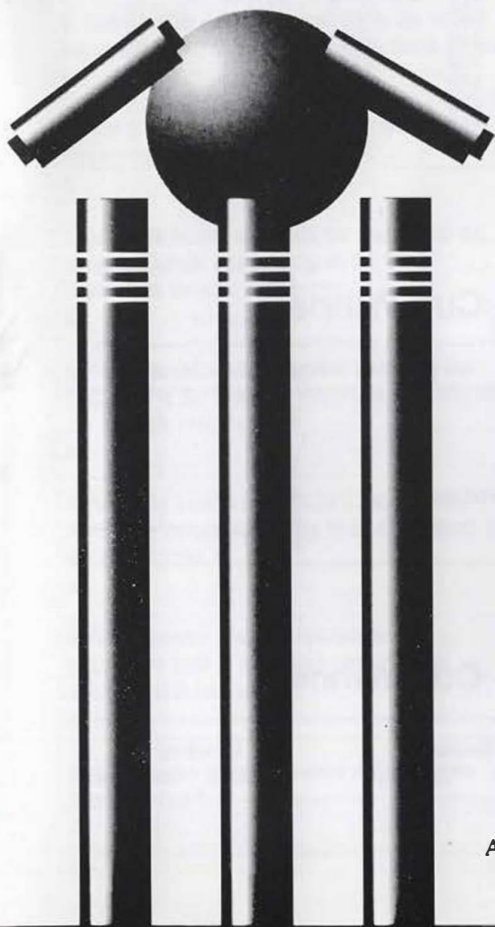
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Clontarf Bowling Averages

(Excluding All-Ireland competition)

	Career	Matches	Wickets	Runs	Average	5 Wkts in innings
G. A. Tyndall	1923-34	105	148	1488	10.05	8
E. N. Seymour	1922-31	79	129	1333	10.33	8
S. A. Martin	1932-35	38	108	1224	11.33	6
J. G. Aston	1920-28	77	155	1795	11.58	8
W. C. Pemberton	1925-50	94	264	3190	12.08	21
J. J. Ledwidge	1920-34	163	211	2661	12.61	11
J. M. Sweeney	1925-31	65	102	1340	13.13	5
G. A. Kirwan	1961-92	391	1033	14295	13.83	55
J. W. Hill	1935-60	203	609	8624	14.16	48
T. J. Dunne	1931-44	115	191	2706	14.17	15
R. J. Furley	1936-63	86	179	2561	14.30	11
A. R. White	1930-43	215	108	1577	14.60	5
E. H. Bodell	1944-76	350	786	11699	14.88	48
L. P. Hughes	1959-87	370	600	9567	15.94	25
D. C. O'Kelly	1965-79	76	121	1956	16.16	6
M. R. Bunworth	1968-88	240	407	7215	17.72	18
D. F. Fitzgerald	1933-52	164	214	3819	17.84	12
V. F. Savino	1953-69	182	217	4080	18.80	5
M. J. Delaney	1965-90	223	345	6537	18.94	15
N. P. Grier	1966-88	388	359	7021	19.55	16
P. M. Murphy	1968-77	87	100	2101	21.01	3
L. B. McMahon	1931-49	152	130	2948	22.67	4
F. O'Mahony	1987-94	103	136	3376	24.82	5
J. Fitzpatrick	1986-94	106	138	3520	25.50	2
B. McNeice	1986-93	112	132	3449	26.12	4

Qualification: 100 wickets.

Clontarf O'Grady Cup Winners

Year		Wickets	Average
1948	N. B. Hool (Played also with Dublin University)	41	11
1950	J. W. Hill	36	11
1963	L. P. Hughes (Dublin University and Malahide)	49	7
1982	G. A. Kirwan	82	11
1983	G. A. Kirwan	67	8

Clontarf Samuels Cup Winners

Year		Batting		Bowling	
		Runs	Average	Wickets	Average
1994	A. Botha	733	48.86	42	15.85

Windmill Quiz

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Q. Name the last player to score a hat-trick in an FAI Cup Final

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Q. Against which American Goller did Christy O'Connor Jnr. record a one hole singles victory in the 1988 Ryder Cup at the Belfry ?

A.

Q. Kerry won 4-in-a-row All Ireland senior football titles from 1978 to 1981 incl. Name the 4 winning captains

A.

Q. Who is the last cricketer to take a wicket with his first ball bowled in test cricket ?

A.

Q. Which player scored the last try in the recent rugby union world cup tournament in South Africa.

A.

Q. Who is the reigning women's 100 meters olympic champion in athletics ?

A.

Q. Name the jockey who rode the winners of the champion hurdle and gold cup at the 1995 Cheltenham National Hunt Festival ?

A.

Q. Who was defeated by Stephen Hendry in the 1995 final of the Embassy World Championship at the Crucible Theatre?

A.

Q. Name the Republic of Ireland's goalscorers during the Soccer World Cup finals tournament in the USA in 1994 ?

A.

Q. Which bowler took five wickets in five successive balls in a Leinster senior league cricket match last month ?

A.

Q. Who are the present holders of the Thomas Markham Cup ?

A.

Q. Which soccer club failed to win a league game during the 1984-85 season in league of Ireland ?

A.

Q. In how many all Ireland senior Football Goals did Dublin's (and Clontarf's) Brian Mullins play ?

A.

Q. Who defeated defending champion Steffi Graf in the 1st round of the Women's singles at Wimbledon in 1984?

A.

Q. Name the two players from Clontarf cricket club who played on the Irish side which defeated the West Indies at Six Mills in 1989

A.

Q. Who is the oldest player ever to make his debut in international rugby for Ireland?

A.

Q. Against which country were Warwickshire playing when Brian Lara scored his record 501 not out ?

A.

Q. Apart from Manchester Utd. and Newcastle Utd. Name any one of the three other league clubs for which Andy Cole has played ?

A.

Q. Who is the last player to score a goal from a penalty in an All Ireland senior football final ?

A.

Q. Name the horse, which in the 1880's won two successive races at the Cheltenham National Hunt Festival ?

A.

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Best Recorded Clontarf Batting Partnerships

Wkt.	Year	Runs	Opponents	Batsmen
1st	1990	205*	Old Belvedere	D. A. Vincent—P. Prendergast
2nd	1985	218*	The Hills	D. A. Vincent—N. P. Grier
3rd	1968	137	Leinster	J. B. Bunworth—M. A. Carroll
4th	1991	120	Carlisle	A. McClean—J. Daly
5th	1982	163*	Dublin University	N. P. Grier—J. M. Nolan
6th	1970	89	Pembroke	A. W. D. Spence—F. J. Carroll
7th	1967	106	Merrion	J. B. Bunworth—F. J. Carroll
8th	1970	100	Y.M.C.A.	A. W. D. Spence—F. J. Carroll
9th	1970	80	Y.M.C.A.	F. J. Carroll—E. H. Bodell
10th	1960	88*	Pembroke	V. F. Savino—J. A. Bell

*Unfinished

Centuries Scored by Clontarf Players up to 1991

E. A. Mc Dermott	10
D. A. Vincent.....	10
J. B. Bunworth.....	7
L. C. Jacobson.....	4
N. C. Mahony.....	4
A. McClean.....	4
N. P. Grier.....	3
W. J. Moynan.....	3
F. J. Carroll.....	2
M. A. Carroll.....	2
G. J. Morgan.....	2
R. H. C. Waters.....	2
H. R. Aston.....	1
J. D. Caprani.....	1
J. Daly.....	1
T. K. Gleeson.....	1
J. W. Hill.....	1
L. P. Hughes.....	1
P. Prendergast.....	1
M. P. Rea.....	1
R. T. Ruddock.....	1

Clontarf Marchant Cup Winners

Year		Average
1930	E. N. Seymour	37
1945	W. J. Moynan	39
1948	W. E. Haughton (Played also with Dublin University)	70
1952	N. C. Mahony	59
1959	L. C. Jacobson	49
1968	J. B. Bunworth	61
1978	J. B. Bunworth	56
1991	M. P. Rea	57

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Wicketkeeping

	Career	Matches	Caught	Stumped	Total
F. J. Carroll	1957-90	460	366	134	500
P. J. Bourke	1936-52	194	73	82	155
J. A. Bell	1953-66	121	68	20	88
J. Daly	1984-92	93	74	24	98
C. P. Stuart	1921-42	144	51	22	73
L. C. Jacobson	1944-60	149	47	11	58

Catches

	Career	Matches	Catches
N. P. Grier	1966-88	388	143
E. A. McDermott	1963-93	539	141*
J. B. Bunworth	1962-89	299	87
D. A. Vincent	1981-94	220	86**
J. M. Nolan	1968-87	258	85
B. P. Bergin	1975-93	279	79
V. F. Savino	1953-69	182	77
L. P. Hughes	1959-87	356	75
M. A. Carroll	1953-77	207	72
J. D. Caprani	1937-51	141	61
A. McClean	1985-94	176	64
G. A. Kirwan	1961-92	369	55
J. J. Ledwidge	1920-34	163	53
G. J. Morgan	1930-42	137	53
L. B. McMahon	1931-49	152	53
A. R. White	1920-43	215	52
E. H. Bodell	1944-76	350	51

Qualification: 50

*Includes 15 catches as wicketkeeper.

**Includes 9 catches as wicketkeeper.

1000 Runs and 100 Wickets by Clontarf Players

	Runs	Wickets
J. G. Aston	1125	155
E. H. Bodell	1720	786
T. J. Dunne	1016	191
D. F. Fitzgerald	1466	214
J. Fitzpatrick	1300	138
N. P. Grier	7063	359
J. W. Hill	2481	609
L. P. Hughes	3890	600
J. J. Ledwidge	1699	211
B. McNeice	1088	132
V. F. Savino	1127	217
E. N. Seymour	1303	129
G. A. Tyndall	1181	148
A. R. White	1709	108

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All-Ireland Cup Results

Year	Opponents	Venue	Result	
1982	Bangor	A	L	
1983	St. Johnstone	A	L	
1984	Lurgan	H	L	
1985	Sion Mills	H	L	Bowl Out
1986	Limavaddy	H	W	
	Phoenix	A	L	
1987	Downpatrick	H	W	Bowl Out
	Merrion	A	W	
	Railway Union	H	L	
1988	North Down	H	L	Bowl Out
1989	Sion Mills	A	L	
1990	Brigade	H	W	
	Phoenix	H	W	
	Waringstown	H	W	
	Woodvale	A	W	
	Lurgan	Rathmines	L	Final
1991	Brigade	A	W	
	Woodvale	H	W	
	Lurgan	A	L	
1992	Lurgan	H	W	
	Brigade	A	L	
1993	Drummond	H	W	
	North Down	A	L	
1994	Downpatrick	A	W	
	Strabane	A	L	

This competition was introduced in 1982. To date, Clontarf have played 25 matches, winning 12 and losing 13. The final was reached in 1990 when we were defeated by Lurgan by 73 runs.

The principal statistics are:

Batting

	M	Inn.	N.O.	H	T	Av.	100's	50's
B. Bergin	18	14	3	54	270	24.54		1
N. P. Grier	9	7	1	84*	234	39.00		1
A. McClean	20	17	1	66	247	15.43		1
E. A. McDermott	23	18	2	40	270	16.87		—
P. Prendergast	11	10		88	244	24.40		2
M. Rea	11	11	1	70*	385	38.50		3
D. A. Vincent	21	18	1	101*	625	36.76	1	4

Bowling

	Wkts	Runs	Av.	5 wkts/Inns
N. P. Grier	11	249	22.63	
G. A. Kirwan	30	638	21.26	
B. McNiece	19	297	15.63	
D. A. Vincent	16	372	23.25	1

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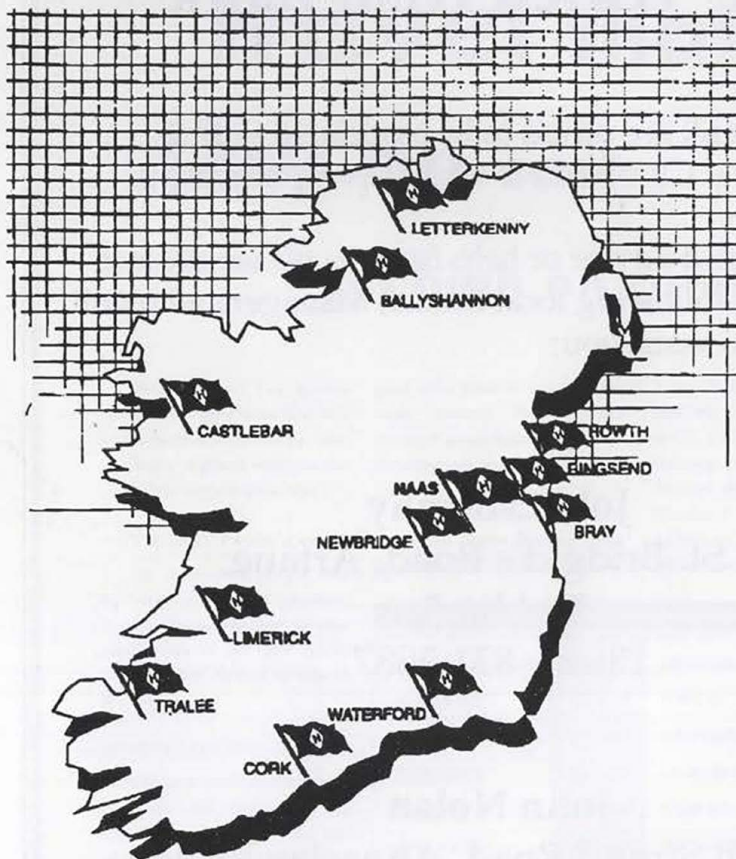
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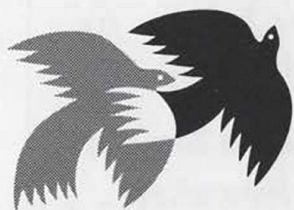
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Clontarf International Players

Name		M	I	Not out	H	R	A	Innings bowled in	O	M	R	W	A	Ct
J. G. Aston	1909-25	6	11	1	53*	91	9.10	6	69	11	114	10	11.40	6
E. H. Bodell	1954-59	6	10	5	11*	25	5.00	10	175	40	489	11	44.45	1
J. D. Caprani	1948-56	6	11	—	44	121	11.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
A. W. Cooper	1954	2	4	—	31	66	16.50	3	26	3	108	3	36.00	1
S. H. Crawford	1903	1	1	—	11	11	11.00	2	16	2	60	6	10.00	—
F. M. Filgas	1948	1	2	—	3	3	1.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
W. E. Haughton	1947-53	5	8	—	25	46	5.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
J. W. Hill	1946-51	14	21	9	27*	138	11.50	23	296	77	709	32	22.15	1
N. B. Hool	1947-57	13	21	10	27	171	15.54	21	282	60	801	27	29.66	4
L. P. Hughes	1965-78	13	21	6	35	159	10.60	21	257.3	67	763	15	50.86	11
L. C. Jacobson	1947-59	12	22	3	101	358	18.84	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
G. A. Kirwan	1983	2	2	1	0*	0	0.00	3	29	11	91	2	45.50	—
G. H. McCormack	1908	1	1	—	6	6	6.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
†E. A. McDermott	1981-82	10	15	—	80	378	25.20	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
N. C. Mahony	1947-53	9	17	1	42	299	18.68	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
G. J. Morgan	1934	1	1	—	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
W. C. Pemberton	1923-28	4	7	3	31	55	13.75	5	111	26	263	5	52.60	1
M. P. Rea	1988-94	49	68	3	115	1923	29.58	1	0.4	—	8	1	8.00	6
E. N. Seymour	1927-28	3	5	—	3	9	1.08	6	45	9	147	4	36.75	1
M. H. Stevenson	1951-64	11	20	2	80	467	25.94	1	4	—	27	—	—	4
D. A. Vincent	1986-91	21	31	3	52*	534	19.27	1	4	2	11	—	—	8
R. H. C. Waters	1968-69	11	18	1	70	330	19.41	—	—	—	—	—	—	8

†E. A. McDermott's figures include game against Lavinia, Duchess of Norfolk's XI.

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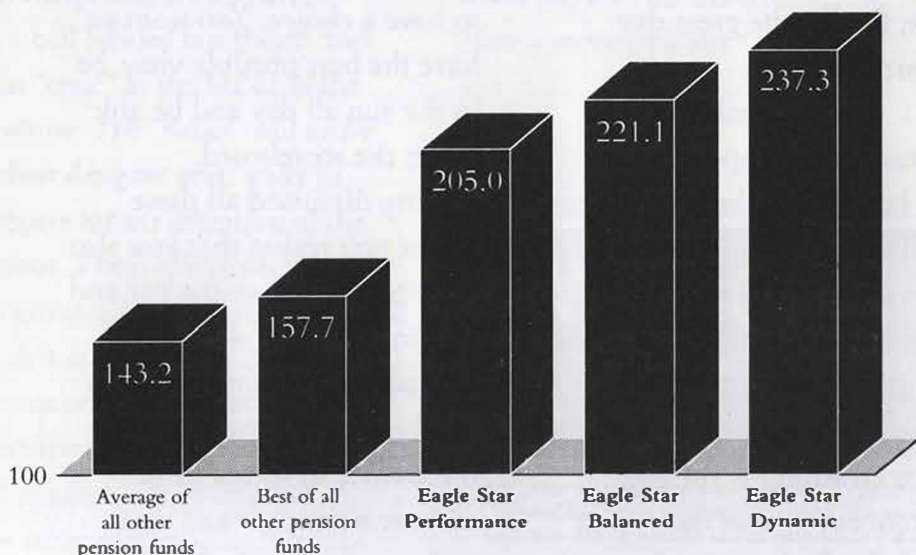
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Having discussed all these angles you realise that you also need to be close to the bar and within operating distance of the loos. The main attraction for the early visitors is having the chance to watch those athletic warm ups and that can complicate the seating equation further.

By the time the match actually starts, the ground is filling up and a steady stream of cricket fans and hangers on is pouring in. The one thing you notice about a crowd at an international is that all human life is there. Whole families arrive

with baby buggies and picnic hampers, closely followed by "the last of the summer wine" with their deckchairs and sunhats. Young cricket fanatics are proudly clutching their scorecards and pens in preparation for some serious autograph hunting. Some gangs arrive secure in the knowledge that they'll hardly see a ball bowled but they'll have great "craic" in the bar or in the sunshine. The "babes" will arrive in their designer gear, ready to compete for the attention of the famous. Then, of course, there are the genuine lovers of the game who see this as an opportunity to be present on another historical day. Memories of another Ireland/West Indies game will be recalled.

Few of us were actually present on that momentous day, but we have revelled in the grainy black and white T.V. coverage of the event, and secretly harbour the hope that it could happen again.

Days like this are seldom about competitive cricket in the eyes of the spectators.

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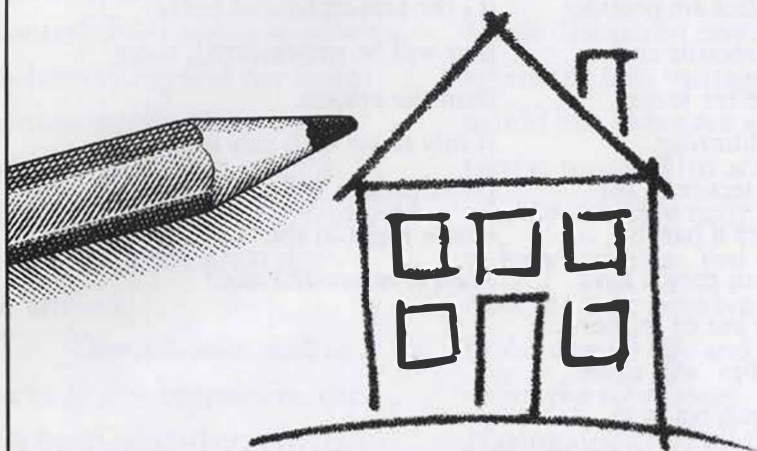
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Name		M	I	NO	HS	R	A	W	R	A	Ct	St
E. H. Bodell	1966-70	6	4	2	7*	10	5.00	9	169	18.77	1	—
B. P. Bergin	1988	1	1	—	0	0	0.00	—	—	—	—	—
J. B. Bunworth	1968-79	27	25	6	103*	390	20.52	—	—	—	9	—
M. R. Bunworth	1973-84	7	6	2	8	29	7.25	3	159	53.00	—	—
F. J. Carroll	1967-73	17	9	2	20*	96	13.71	—	—	—	17	1
M. A. Carroll	1966-69	3	3	—	16	27	9.00	—	—	—	—	—
C. G. Daly	1981-85	5	5	3	12*	30	15.00	—	—	—	5	—
J. Daly	1991-92	7	4	1	17*	31	10.33	—	—	—	7	1
M. J. Delaney	1968-72	5	—	—	—	—	—	6	107	17.83	—	—
J. Fitzpatrick	1992-94	9	8	2	46	86	14.33	13	344	26.46	2	—
N. P. Grier	1967-85	31	20	1	42	201	10.57	7	151	21.57	10	—
L. P. Hughes	1966-80	25	15	3	47	111	9.25	56	732	13.07	8	—
G. A. Kirwan	1966-85	25	11	7	6*	22	5.50	40	887	22.17	2	—
P. Lee	1994	2	2	—	4	4	2.00	—	—	—	—	—
A. McClean	1987-93	26	25	5	73	606	30.30	0	4	—	14	—
E. A. McDermott	1970-88	61	56	7	108	1328	27.10	—	—	—	19	—
S. B. McMullan	1966	1	1	—	9	9	9.00	—	—	—	—	—
B. McNeice	1991	5	2	1	24	34	34.00	4	145	38.33	—	—
F. O'Mahony	1989	4	3	1	35	45	22.50	1	63	63.00	1	—
R. O'Reilly	1994	2	2	—	14	27	13.50	—	—	—	—	—
P. Prendergast	1991-94	6	6	—	15	49	8.16	—	—	—	1	—
M. P. Rea NL & UT	1984-94	38	38	5	120	1365	41.36	0	7	—	8	—
D. A. Vincent	1983-91	36	35	2	145*	1361	41.24	0	25	—	9	—
R. H. C. Waters	1967-76	16	14	1	104	368	28.30	—	—	—	5	—

NL = North Leinster

UT = Ulster Town

*Not out.

Reflection Lords 1995

The annual England Test Match v the Touring Team at Lords each year is a particularly enjoyable and pleasant experience for all concerned.

Obviously it must be a great pleasure and privilege to actually play in a Test Match at Lords but indeed it is also a great pleasure and privilege to be present as an observer.

Some would say the best Test Match is England v the old enemy Australia but there are many who would prefer to attend when West Indies are at headquarters.

West Indies for some 20 years have bestrode the cricket world like a veritable colossus destroying all in their path.

However the recent retirement of some of their great stars seems to indicate the current West Indian XI 1995 version may be vulnerable and so it was to prove this year at Lords.

1928 saw the first West Indian touring team under the captaincy of Karl Nunes and this years trip is the 15th West Indian Touring Team to England.

West Indies lost their first 3 matches at Lords in years 1928, 1933 and 1939.

They achieved their first win in 1950 but did not win again at Lords until 1973.

Other West Indian wins at Lords were in 1984 and 1988.

England wins have been achieved in 1928, 1933, 1939 and the last as far back as 1957.

Other matches have been drawn.

The above brief preamble gives an indication of Englands poor historical performances at headquarters which for some reason appears to bring the best out of all touring teams.

Armed with this background information we wended our way to St. John's Wood on the Thursday morning. Rumour abounded.

Illingworth was to play ! Was this the Worcester Illingworth or was the Chairman going to play himself ?. Devon Malcolm, who most would have thought a potential English Test Match winner, had been left out.

The word was Illingworth had asked him to keep wicket but he had declined !

There were also rumours flying that Atherton was resigning as English Captain but going to allow his name to go forward for reselection in a move to reassert his authority !

All proved unfounded.

Illingworth, (the chairman that is) was not playing and Alec Stewart would keep wicket and open the batting and Illingworth, (Worcester) would appear.

West Indies were playing as per their Headingly selection with the exception that Otis Gibson replaced the injured Kenny Benjamin.

First sight of the pitch and the "Boycott interpretation" indicated it was very dry, unlikely to last the full five days and the side batting first would have a very substantial advantage.

The game commenced in front of a full house of 29,000 with England to

bat having won the toss.

The sun split the heavens and the temperature was in the low 90's.

We were treated to the standard health warnings over the PA system indicating the burning time 20 mins to 25 mins.

However initially the English openers were burned !

Fears concerning the wicket appeared to be correct as batsmen struggled and bowlers obtained some advantage from the pitch.

However as time went on it became apparent it was not a bad pitch but one that while giving a little help to bowlers also rewarded stubborn quality batting.

An enthralling match ensued. England and West Indies locked in combat for 5 days fought out a most engaging struggle.

This was not a game for the uninitiated but more a game for the true cricket aficionado.

We were not treated to any glorious batting displays. The bat did not dominate.

Instead both side struggled for runs as the bowlers fought to get on top.

How different this game was from my boyhood memories of the 3 W's in full flow and being matched by the quality batting of May, Cowdrey, Graveney and Dexter.

Occasionally the combination of a beer or two and the hot sun helped one nod off.

Then in the minds eye superlative play took place.

Ramadhin and Valentine bowling to Hutton and Compton.

Everton Weekes batting

magnificently at Lords.

Trueman, Statham, Loader, Lock and Laker dominating with the ball.

The dream moved on. 1963 the feline Frank Worrell playing with lazy grace, the great Gary Sobers an artist in every facet of the game. I could quite clearly see him batting with absolute authority and easy style, bowling with the new ball, drifting it across Boycott and then swinging it back late to dismiss him, fielding like a panther at short leg and finally bowling chinamen and googlies from the back of his hand.

What a player.

Incredible that a batsman as good as Kanhai could almost suffer by comparison with Sobers.

I dreamt on and could still see Dexter smashing Wes Hall and Charlie Griffith for 70 in about an hour at Lords in 1963 and also Brian Close advancing down the wicket to Wes Hall. The man must have had a death wish.

The daydreaming continued. The scene moved to the 70's the incomparable Vivie Richards dismissing all the bowlers from his presence as he dominated the summer of 1976.

Alongside Richards the great Gordon Greenidge, the stylish Lawrence Rowe, the brutal Clive Lloyd and the fast bowling team Andy Roberts, Michael Holding and Wayne Daniel.

And so I dreamed into the 80's with England struggling Greenidge and latterly Desmond Haynes, Lloyd and Richards and Kallicharan always batting sufficiently well to allow the West Indian fast bowling quartet to dismiss

the opposition.

Only the lone Botham appeared to stand in the way of the West Indies but even in the dream his record against West Indies is not comparable with his play against other countries.

I awakened. Reality intruded. The actual 1995 match continued.

A West Indian lead of 41 on the first innings might not be sufficient.

However would England bat well enough to set West Indies more than 150.

In the event they did. Graham Hick with a little bit of luck created the base and Robin Smith helped by Graham Thorpe produced an English total setting West Indies 296 to win in the fourth innings which was always going to be a struggle.

Luckily for England they were actually all out and the "adventurous Atherton" did not have to time a declaration.

His track record would indicate he would have batted sufficiently long to put the game beyond West Indies but in the process more than likely would not have allowed himself enough time to bowl out West Indies and win the game.

His adventurous approach was not tested on this occasion !

Although Lara threatened briefly and Sherwin Campbell looked to be playing an heroic innings almost on a par with that of Everton Weekes at Lords in 1957 the West Indies innings went into decline against some superb swing and seam bowling by Dominic Cork.

What of the game itself ?

Many players on both sides impressed although the abiding memory is of a very tough battle fought out between two sides of roughly equal merit with England shading the game possibly because they won the toss and played with slightly more grit and determination.

All in all a most excellent match thoroughly enjoyed by quite a sizable Irish contingent present.

Those of us who wish to see a Lara century will have to wait another day but none complained.

The series is now even at one all.

Who is likely to take the series remains anyone's guess.

If some think West Indies slightly vulnerable they may be in for a rude awakening.

As yet none of the West Indian batting guns have fully fired on all cylinders and a day of reckoning must be surely be in the offing.

Short of Hick or possibly Stewart, Smith and Thorpe dominating an innings England do not appear to have quite the same fire power with the bat.

The summer is set for an intriguing series of matches which hopefully will culminate in hot sunshine on a fast bouncy Oval wicket.

No doubt Devon Malcolm will be brought back but whether he is good enough to open the innings and keep wicket is a moot point !!

A fast bouncy Oval wicket may just give the West Indies the edge and as a result my forecast is West Indies will marginally shade the series.

Time will tell.

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Clontarf Ladies Cricket Club

The first Ladies Cricket Match was played in 1940 and in 1941 the Leinster Ladies Cricket League was formed. The first Clontarf Ladies Team entered the league at that time and was successful in the competition in 1942, under the captaincy of Miss E. Feeney an auspicious start to the fortunes of the Ladies Club, which continued to flourish for the next twenty years. During this time the club had the services of one of the greatest all-rounders to grace the Irish ladies cricket scene - Marie Coffey.

Unfortunately, ladies cricket fizzled out in the 1960s and didn't resume until 1975. Since then, the Ladies Club has gone from strength to strength winning its first trophy of the modern era - The Tyler Cup in 1977. The club has won a senior trophy every year since and has frequently swept the board winning all three senior trophies. We have also been the proud possessors of some Division II and III silverware over the years.

The strength of a successful club is usually in its depth and we have maintained our position as the largest club in Leinster for many years. There has always been great competition for places on the various teams, particularly on the 1st XI although it remained virtually unchanged for 10 years. We are greatly indebted to Podge Hughes who was our coach

and mentor for the club's most successful years. His fielding practises were legendary and could bring tears to the eyes of even the most hardened competitors. However, all the hard work paid off as we frequently had five Clontarf players as regulars on the Irish side, with others on the panel. At one stage the North Leinster team was made up almost exclusively of Clontarf players. In recent years the faces on the 1st XI have changed but some of the stalwarts still remain !

Phyllis Spence set up a school girls section which has insured that a steady supply of new blood, eager to compete at club level, would be available. The L.W.C.U. set up girls leagues to encourage new talent and these are proving very successful judging by the youthful faces on many senior sides. We have had Clontarf representatives on the North Leinster U-19 and U-15 inter provincial sides since their inception and currently have two U-19 internationals in Genevieve Kyle and Celine Byrne.

We would like to congratulate our current long standing internationals, Susan Bray and Elizabeth Owens, who have served their club, province and country well for so many years. We look forward to having many more club members on representative sides in future years.

TROPHIES WON BY CLONTARF SENIOR TEAMS

Year	Teams	Trophy
1898	1st XI	Irish Junior Cup
1905	1st XI	Irish Junior Cup
1924	2nd XI	Intermediate Cup
1926	1st XI	Senior League
1928	2nd XI	Intermediate Cup
1941	3rd XI	Junior League
1943	1st XI	Senior Cup
1944	2nd XI 3rd XI	Intermediate Cup Junior Cup
1946	3rd XI	Junior Cup
1950	1st XI	Senior Cup
1954	2nd XI	Senior II League
1957	4th XI	Junior League
1958	3rd XI	Intermediate Cup Irish Junior Cup
1960	2nd XI 3rd XI	Senior II League Intermediate Cup
1961	1st XI 2nd XI	Senior League Senior II League
1964	5th XI	Minor Cup
1965	1st XI 2nd XI 5th XI	Alan Murray Cup Senior II Cup Minor Cup

TROPHIES WON BY CLONTARF SENIOR TEAMS - Continued

Year	Teams	Trophy
1966	5th XI	Minor League Minor Cup
1968	3rd XI	Intermediate Cup
1969	1st XI 2nd XI 3rd XI 4th XI	Senior Cup Senior II League Intermediate Cup Junior League
1970	1st XI 2nd XI 3rd XI 5th XI	Alan Murray Cup Senior II Cup Irish Junior Cup Minor Cup
1971	1st XI 3rd XI	Beckett Cup Intermediate Cup Intermediate League
1972	1st XI 2nd XI	Senior League Alan Murray Cup Senior II League
1973	1st XI 2nd XI 3rd XI	Alan Murray Cup Beckett Cup Senior II League Senior II Cup Intermediate Cup
1974	2nd XI	Senior II League
1976	4th XI 5th XI	Intermediate League Junior Cup
1977	1st XI	Wiggins Teape League <i>(shared - Leinster, YMCA)</i>
1978	1st XI 2nd XI	Wiggins Teape League Senior II Cup Senior II League



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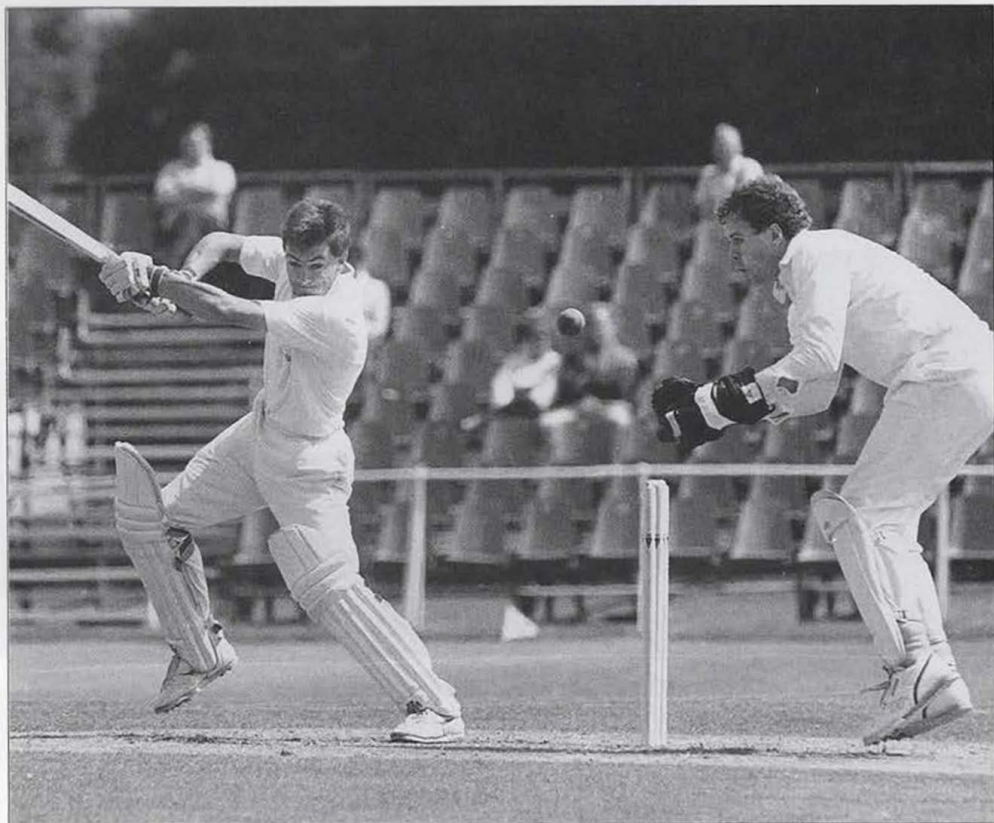


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Year	Teams	Trophy
1979	1st XI 2nd XI 5th XI	Wiggins Teape League Senior II League Junior League
1980	1st XI	Wiggins Teape League <i>(Shared - Leinster)</i>
1981	2nd XI	Senior II League
1982	4th XI	Intermediate League
1983	2nd XI	Senior II League
1984	2nd XI 4th XI	Senior II League Whelan Cup
1985	3rd XI	Middle Cup
1986	1st XI 3rd XI	Wiggins Teape League Middle Cup
1987	1st XI	Wiggins Teape League <i>(Shared - YMCA)</i>
1988	1st XI 2nd XI	Wiggins Teape League Senior II Cup Tillain Cup
1989	1st XI	Alan Murray Cup
1990	1st XI 3rd XI 6th XI	Wiggins Teape League Middle Cup Minor Cup Junior B League
1991	1st XI 3rd XI	Belvedere Bond League Wiggins Teape League <i>(Shared - YMCA)</i> Middle League



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Year	Teams	Trophy
1992	1st XI	Senior Cup
	2nd XI	Belvedere Bond League
	4th XI	Senior II League Intermediate Cup
1993	2nd XI	Senior II Cup Senior II League Tillain Cup
	1st XI	Wiggins Teape League Alan Murray Cup
1994	3rd XI	Middle Cup
	4th XI	Intermediate Cup

Clontarf Results Against Other Clubs Leinster Senior League and Cup since 1920

From Year	Club	Pl	Won	Tied	Drew	Lost
1941	Carlisle	47	24	1	12	10
1981	CYM	25	14	-	5	6
1920	Dublin University	91	43	-	18	30
1920	Leinster	145	43	1	35	66
1953	Malahide	85	33	1	17	34
1926	Merrion	132	63	-	41	28
1990	Nth. County	6	5	-	1	-
1957	Old Belvedere	82	34	-	26	22
1920	Pembroke	157	54	1	36	66
1920	Phoenix	135	34	2	32	67
1920	Railway Union	115	71	-	17	27
1983	The Hills	18	9	1	4	4
1934	Y.M.C.A.	119	50	1	32	36

Trophies Won by Clontarf Ladies

(1977 - 1994)

YEAR	TEAM	TROPHY	YEAR	TEAM	TROPHY
1977	1st XI	Division I League Tyler Cup	1987	1st XI	Division I League Senior Cup Satzenbrau League
1978	1st XI	Tyler Cup Division I League		2nd XI	Division II League Junior Cup
	2nd XI	Division II League			
1980	1st XI	Division I League <i>(shared with Leinster)</i>	1988	1st XI	Division I League Senior Cup Satzenbrau League
1981	1st XI	Division I League Tyler Cup	1989	1st XI	Division I League Senior Cup 40 Over League
1982	1st XI	Tyler Cup			
1983	1st XI	Division I League	1990	1st XI	Division I League Senior Cup
	3rd XI	Division III League		2nd XI	Division II League
1984	1st XI	Division I League	1991	1st XI	Senior Cup 40 Over League
1985	1st XI	Division I League Marigold Cup Satzenbrau League	1992	1st XI	Division I League 40 Over League
	2nd XI	Division II League			
1986	1st XI	Division I League Senior Cup Satzenbrau League	1993	1st XI	Division I League Windmill Leisure Senior Cup 40 Over League
	2nd XI	Junior Cup	1994	1st XI	Division I League



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