



NEWSLETTER 4 *(FINAL EDITION FOR SEASON 25/26!)*

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END OF SEASON DEBRIEF

Post season, there will be an MCA umpires get together for members to have a meal, consume some drinks and discuss the season that was. This is generally held at Elgin Hotel, Hawthorn, and the Mercantile Cricket Umpires' Association subsidises the cost, for part of the evening. More details to follow in the coming weeks.



FINALS RULES FINDER



RULE 18

Hours of play

Matches 90 overs, 12pm start (unless executive advise otherwise), Tea interval 30 minutes

Over restrictions for bowlers

A limit of 9 overs shall apply to each bowler during the 45 overs

- 8 if entitlement for each side is reduced to 36-40 overs,
- 7 for 31-35 overs, 6 for 30 overs.

Wides

Delivery passing leg side of batsman (without touching bat or person):

- Shall be called a "wide" if, in the umpire's judgement, the ball when passing the popping crease is wider than 30cm/1 foot from leg stump.

Fielding restrictions

- In first 10 overs of an innings only 2 fielders shall be permitted outside the circle, and after that only 5 fielders (before bowler enters delivery stride), otherwise call no ball.
- Limit of 2 fielders outside the circle shall apply for 9 overs in a 36-40 over innings match, 8 overs in 31-35 overs, 7 overs in a 30 over innings match.
- Maximum 5 fielders are permitted on leg side, otherwise call no ball.

Semi Final - If a semi-final is drawn or tied, the winner shall be decided by the ladder positions (after H&A).

Grand final: Super over - Tie in a one-day Grand Final shall be broken by Super Overs:

- Each team faces one Super Over at a time (until the tie is broken).
- 2 wickets allowed in a Super Over.
- Team that previously batted last bats first for each set of Super Overs.
- Bowling side has choice of end for 1st Super Over, then change ends for each further so.
- No bowler may bowl two Super Overs, and no batsman who is dismissed in a Super Over may bat again. Each team shall bowl with the ball that they previously used.

HAT TRICKERY

Stephen Hickman, playing for Power House in March 2002, achieved a hat-trick spread over:

3 overs, 2 innings, 2 days: involving the same batsman twice, observed by the same nonstriker.

Bowler type: Off spin

1st innings

Gunbower United Cricket Club 8 for 109 when Hickman came on to bowl

Wicket 1: Last ball of his 3rd over.

Wicket 2: 1st ball of 4th over: Bowled number 11 batsman (Richard Higgins), to complete the Gunbower innings, leaving Chris Taylor the not out batsman.

Power House scored 361 putting the game out of reach of Gunbower.

2nd innings

Wicket 3 (hat trick): 1st ball of his 1st over, clean bowled Higgins. Higgins scored a pair of golden ducks. Chris Taylor again at the non-striker's end.

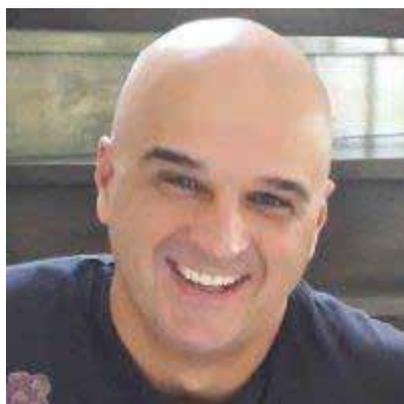
Merv Hughes achieved the same feat, 2nd Test Australia vs West Indies, December 1988



MERV HUGHES

**A Hat Trick in 3 Overs, 2 Innings,
and 2 Days**

BLAST FROM THE PAST



Jason Ivanecky

a prominent former MCA umpire who regularly officiated in A grade matches.
Best First Year Umpire: Season 2021/2022

STATISTICS AS A PLAYER

250 MATCHES

All Seasons - National Cricket Club, All formats

BATTING

Innings	Runs	Average	High Score
211	1997	11.61	73
100s	50s	Ducks	Not Outs
0	5	33	39

BOWLING

Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
2158.4	364	6633	436
Best Bowling	Average	Economy	
5-8	15.21	3.07	

PICTURE PERFECT

GRAHAM



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MERCANTILE ORIGINS

Mercantile Cricket Association was formed in 1922 by some of the major businesses in innercity Melbourne, with the primary objects being to promote cricket and friendship between the participants. Until the 1960s, all costs were borne by the businesses concerned, and players had to be employees to play for their team. The word mercantile was adopted as it describes efforts to buy and sell things to make a profit, relating to trade or merchants. Examples of businesses that have competed in MCA:



POCKET PROFILE

Name: Dean Caia

Plays like: Mark Ramprakash (ENG)

Country supported: Italy

Mode of transport: Public Transport

Favourite cricketer: Carl Hooper (WI)

More liked fielding position: Leg slip

Best loved watering hole: The Fifth Province St Kilda



**Stuart
Black**

Byes

CRAWFORD CANNED

Crawford Oval was a pretty, tree-fringed ground that hosted cricket and football for almost seventy years. In recent years, the ground acted as home for Indigos Cricket Club and co-habited with a smaller, newer club, the Melbourne Falcons. But no longer, the turf table has gone under the plough.

As part of the Crawford Oval renewal, the cricket pitch has been removed and will be replaced with natural turf. This will transform the oval into a multipurpose sports field - catering for a wider range of sporting activities.

Unsurprisingly, the MCA executive has taken umbrage, arguing that the council is failing to support the growth of cricket in the City of Melbourne. This is supported by the fact that MCA has doubled in size in the last fifteen years, however over the same period, City of Melbourne council has reduced the number of turf pitches available to community cricket by 25%.

Crawford Oval Sportfield Redevelopment

Tender ID: 571569

Tender Details

Organisation : City of Melbourne	Publish Date: 2 November 2024
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Tender #: 8818A	Closing Date: 28 November 2024
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Status: Closed



Princes Park renewal works just axed its cricket pitch for something bigger



SEEING 'EM WEL



Legend that is - Peter Maddocks

WINNER WINNER CHICKEN DINNER

