



GOOLWA CRICKET CLUB



FIRST RECORDED GAME

From the Adelaide Observer Nov 12 1859

Nov 7 1859 – match between Pt Elliot and Goolwa

I subjoin the particulars of a very animated and spiritedly contested cricket match played here on Monday last between the Pt Elliot and Goolwa Clubs, recent organizations whose ardour in this athletic pastime led to a friendly trial of skill.

Pt Elliot	1st Inns		2 nd Ins	
James Smith	b. Sumpter	0	b. Harding	11
A.Phil	LBW Harding	0	b. Smith	11
J.Ewens	c. Hill	18	Run Out	32
Ezra Robinson	b. Smith	20	st Sumpter	3
? Trualore	c. Harding	0	c. Jersey	4
S.Trigg	Run out	15	Run Out	5
F.Dodd	b. Harding	1	st Sumpter	4
C. Walton	b. Harding	0	Not out	1
W.Myers	b. Smith	0	c. Adams	2
J.Dodson	b. Smith	0	b. Harding	0
J.Franklin	b. Smith	0	c. Adams	3
Extras		2	Extras	1
		56		77
	Grand Total	133		
Goolwa				
G.B.Smith	Not out	3	c. Phil	15
George Sumpter	c. Ewens	3	b. Ewens	0
Dr Hill	b. Robinson	0	b. Ewens	2
H.H.Adams	b. Phil	11	c. Robinson	2
Wm Harding	b. Phil	2	b. Robinson	0
C. Brewerton	b. Robinson	0	b. Ewens	0
J.W.Jones	b. Robinson	0	c. Myers	19
H.D.Jersey	b. Phil	12	b. Robinson	15
Thom Jones	c. Robinson	1	b.Trigg	2
G. Highland	b. Robinson	0	b. Ewens	3
F.Wright	b. Phil	0	Not out	6
Extras		1	Extras	6
		33		70
	Grand Total	103		

The weather was delightfully fine, and the township wore the appearance of a gay holiday. Among the spectators were many visitors from the country, embracing a few fair equestriennes, whose presence gave additional charm to the scene. The proceedings throughout were unmarred by any circumstances which could detract from the harmony which prevailed. At the close of the day the victors dined with and upon the invitation of their less successful rivals at Dodd's Hotel, where an admirable spread engaged the more delicate manipulation of the wearied combatants. The chair was occupied by Mr Jones, the District Chairman, assisted by Mr S.B. Smith. The greatest hilarity prevailed. The usual toasts incident to such occasions were loyally drunk, with due honours to the toast of the evening "Success to the Cricket Clubs of Port Elliot and Goolwa". Some excellent songs were sung, and the festivities terminated in a renewal of challenge from the Goolwa Club; the game be played at Goolwa next week.



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SECOND RECORDED GAME

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Nov 14 1859 – match between Pt Elliot and Goolwa

The return match between the Port Elliot and Goolwa Cricket Clubs was played at Goolwa on Monday last, the result being the complete victory of the latter. This is attributed by some to having recruited to their ranks by the admission of some good hands from a distance, while the Port Elliot Club was embarrassed by the defection of some of its members. The score was as follows

Pt Elliot	1st Inns		2 nd Inns	
Samuel Trigg	b. Harding	3	b. Taplin	1
Ezra Robinson	b. Taplin	5	b. Taplin	0
A. Phil	b. Harding	1	b. Harding	0
W.Rust	b. Taplin	0	b. Taplin	0
John Ewens	b. Taplin	0	put himself out	1
Frederick Dodd	b. Harding	4	Run out	11
J.Dodson	b. Harding	3	b. Harding	0
J.Miers	b. Taplin	2	b. Taplin	6
J.Franklin	Not out	2	b. Taplin	3
Chas Walton	Run out	0	put himself out	0
John Mayfield	c.Sumpter b. Harding	0	Not out	0
Extras		0	Extras	1
		20		23
	Grand Total	43		
Goolwa				
H.D.Jersey	c. Franklin b. Robinson	23		
H.H.Adams	b. Robinson	1		
G.B.Smith	c. Ewen b. Phil	13		
George Sumpter	b. Phil	7		
W. Taplin	b. Phil	13		
Wm Harding	c. Franklin b. Robinson	1		
Dr Hill	Run out	5		
J.W.Jones	b. Robinson	2		
W.Packer	b. Robinson	3		
John Varcoe	b. Robinson	3		
Thomas Jones jun	Not Out	1		
Extras		4		
	Grand Total	76		

An excellent dinner was provided at Varcoe's Hotel, of which 40 or 50 gentlemen partook. The stakes played for embraced the payment of this repeat by the defeated ranks, and was consequently defrayed from the Port Elliot exchequer. The conviviality of the evening was conducted under the presidency of Mr Jones, assisted by Dr Hill. A few good speeches and some excellent songs formed the outlines of the social enjoyment. The proceedings finally closed with a ball which was conducted with much spirit.

2nd Recorded game 14 / 11/1859

Cricket. — The return match between the Goolwa and Port Elliot clubs took place on Monday, the 14th instant, and a glorious day's sport was the consequence. The Goolwa folks, having great confidence in their powers, had the hardihood to send a challenge to Port Elliot, and got a particularly good thrashing for their pains last week.

But being made of true British stuff, instead of despairing, they made up their minds to go in and win on the next opportunity. And win they did on Monday last to some tune, showing themselves off particularly as bowlers and fielders, in a style that; would not have. disgraced Seven Oaks or Lord's.

The Port Elliots went in first, and all their best wickets went down with very small figures on the score, 20 being the sum-total of their first innings. The Goolwa lads then took up their bats and knocked the ball about to the tune of 75 runs, treating the bowling of Messrs. Robinson and Phill in a very off handed sort of manner. The dead horse, left the Port Elliot bats to work out, was too much for them, and an additional 23 runs was all they could put to their account, leaving the Goolwa lads victors by 32 runs and 11 wickets.

This result had not been anticipated, the odds being rather on the other side in 7 the morning ; but there were no signs of disappointment, for the Port Elliot chaps took their beating with such thorough good temper and jolly sportsman like fashion that thrashing them was far more pleasure than trouble. Another bit of a sport filled up the time till dinner, in which, as is often the case, the playing was better than in the more important event. This closed the sports in the field. The early part of the day was beautiful, but towards the afternoon the players could well have put up with a little more sun and a little less sand; but take it altogether, it was none so dusty.

About 50 gentlemen, sat down, to dinner,; which was provided by Mr. John Varcoe, whose name is quite sufficient guarantee for the quality of- the repast. There was a more than ordinary number of good singers present, which, of course, added greatly to the pleasure of the evening and the speechifying, for truth, point, and brevity, might be imitated with great advantage in higher quarters. A dance concluded the sport, and the sun got up and put an end to a long holiday, that left nothing to regret but the necessity for its termination