



Battle of the Blues

Royal Thomian Cricket Encounter 2016



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His Excellency Somasundaram Skandakumar who had specially travelled from Canberra (269 Kilometres by car) addresses the crowd speaking about his own memories with wit and style of Royal Thomian encounters past.

LR: Graham Masefield, Daya Thayananthan, S. Skandakumar



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MESSAGE

It gives me great pleasure to contribute this brief message to yet another annual tournament between the old boys of our two great schools on the lush fields of New South Wales. These unbroken tradition further endorse the mutual respect that has always prevailed among students of our hallowed Institutions.

The wealth of a nation is often reflected in its cultural diversity and ethnic harmony. There can be no stronger or finer binding force for that than the human relationships that emerge from this marvellous gentleman's game that we call cricket and our two schools continue to be a great example of that.

The age old adage "when that one great scorer comes to write against your name, he writes not that you won or lost, but how you played the game" has relevance both on and off the field and although much has changed over the years where the game itself is concerned, those noble values remain etched in time and continue to be scrupulously, upheld all by Royalists and Thomians.

As always may the winner show humility, the loser grace as the game holds its own above us all.

Have a truly great day.

S.Skandakumar

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Toss for the Open Game (EC Gunesekera Trophy) Denham Williams STC and Lalini De Silva RC, flanked by Umpires Ivan Holland and Peter Mooney



Toss for the Classics Game (Rama Sellamuttu Trophy) Prasanna Kariyawasam RC and Randolph Morrell STC



Toss for the Masters Game (Morrell Trophy) Lasantha Peris STC and Radesh Chanmugam RC

Royal and S Thomas Open game teams



Standing L:R Adrian Deeptha Perera (Sponsor), Ashan Senthirajah (STC), Jeeva Paski (STC), Pruthuvi Attanayake (RC), Umesh Paramasivam (STC), Harin Wijasundara (STC), Shmil Samarasinghe (RC), Lalin De Silva (Capt RC), Hiran Thilakarathne (RC), Gimantha Jayasinghe (STC), David Senathirajah (STC), Kavisha De Silva (RC), Charith Amarasinghe (RC), Devinda Kandaramage (RC), Minshin Ching (STC), Tenshin Ching (STC), Nishan Pathmanathan (RC), Dav Wijewardena (RC), Denham Williams (Capt STC), Druvi Perera (STC), Kugan Vijay (RC), Sam Spirou

Missing Rajitha Wijesekera (RC) Ruwan Gunasinghe (STC), Kulasiri Jayasinghe (STC)







Royal Thomian 2016 RC OBA NSW & ACT OPEN GAME

Name	House	Era
Lalin De Silva (Capt.)	BOAKE	1976-1987
Rajitha Wijesekera	HARWARD	1977-1988
Pruthuvi Attanayake	HARWARD	1998-2000
Devinda Kandaramage	REED	1999-2001
Kugan Vijay	REED	1988-2001
Dav Wijewardena	MARSH	1988-2001
Charith Amarasinghe	HARTLEY	2000-2002
Nishan Pathmanathan	BOAKE	1989-2001
Hiran Thilakarathne	HARWARD	1995-2003
Kavisha De Silva	HARTLEY	1994-2007
Shamil Samarasinghe	MARSH	1995-2008
Geerthan S Kumaran (12th Man)	REED	1993-2001
Supun Kulathilaka (Reserve)	HARTLEY	1993-2006

Royal Thomian 2016 STC OBA NSW & ACT OPEN GAME

Name	House	Era
Ashan Senthirajah	KEBLE (Prep)	1994-2000
Umesh Paramasivam	STONE	1984-1998
Denham Williams (Capt.)	WOOD	1989-2002
Gimantha Jayasinghe	WOOD	1980-1993
Jeeva Paski	DE SARAM (Prep)	1979-1989
Ruwan Gunasinghe	WOOD	1996-2007
Minshin Ching	WOOD	1996-2010
Teh Shin Ching	WOOD	1984-1997
David Senathirajah	KEBLE (Prep)	1996-2002
Druvi Perera	ABENAYAKE (Prep)	1990-1999
Harin Wijesundara	BUCK	1992-2005
Kasun Saminda Fernando	DE SARAM	1985-1989
Dilshan Ariaratnam		

Royal and S Thomas Masters game 2016



Standing L:R Shanthi Kumar, Gunaratnam Kandakumar, Prasad Chelliah, Janaka Subasinghe, Nimalan Karthikeyan, Aruna Wickramasinghe, Nad Balgunan, Radesh Chanmugam (Capt.) Pratah Sinnetamby, Kesara De Costa, Dinesh De Silva – Absent Rajkumar



Standing L:R Shaan Ching, Richie de Silva, Mahinda Seneviratne, Eksath Perera, Ravi Proctor, Imaharan Kathir, (Hidden) Chitral Perera, Nihal Ramanayake, Kamal Samarasinghe, Haunching L:R Lasantha Peris (Capt.), Nandakumar Jegarajah, Jerome Gasperson, Mahesh Naganathan





Royal Thomian 2016 RC OBA NSW & ACT MASTERS GAME

Name	House	Era
Radesh Chanmugam (Capt)	BOAKE	1977-1981
Dinesh De Silva	MARSH	1977-1981
Janaka Subasinghe	HARTLEY	1974-1976
Kesara De Costa	HARTLEY	1975-1980
Nad Balgunan	REED	1970-1974
Prasad Chelliah	HARTLEY	1976-1981
Pratah Sinnetamby	REED	1977-1981
Shanti Kumar	REED	1974-1979
Skanda Kandakumar	MARSH	1974-1975
Aruna Wickramasinghe	BOAKE	1976-1980
Nimalan Karthikeyan	HARWARD	1975-1978
Selva Rajkumar	BOAKE	1976-1982

Royal Thomian 2016 STC OBA NSW & ACT MASTERS GAME

Name	House	Era
Lasantha Peris (Capt.)	STONE	1968 - 1974
Shaan Ching	MILLER-CHAPMAN / DE SARAM	1970 -1972
Eksath Perera	BUCK	1963 - 1970
Chitral Perera	WOOD	1963 - 1971
Nihal Ramanayake	STONE	1961 - 1972
Kamal Samarasinghe	STONE	1960 - 1972
Richie De Silva	DE SARAM	1970 -1982
Jerome Gasperson	DE SARAM	1967 - 1977
Mahinda Seneviratne	BUCK	1963 - 1974
Nandakumar Jegarajah	BUCK	1973 - 1984
Mahesh Naganathan	DE SARAM	1970 - 1976
Imaharan Kathir	DE SARAM	1976 - 1983
Ravi Proctor		1972 - 1973

Royal and S Thomas Classics game 2016



Standing L:R Siri Mapa, Raj Karunairatnam, Mahen Selvarajah, Praba Prarajasingham, Panch Selvarajan, Kum Sooriyakumar, Channa Atukorale, Rohan Abayasekara, Ray Ramanan, Vipula Godamune
Haunches: Prasanna Kariyawasam (Capt.), Deva Mylvaganam, Suren Salgado



L:R Somesh Somasundaram, Derek Bolling, Jeremy Hillman, Graham Masefield, Randolph Morrell (Capt.), David Garth, Shaan Ching, Vimal Jayanetti, Dharma Karthikeya, Ananda Amaranath, Nihal Ramanayake, Eksath Perera





Royal Thomian 2016 RC OBA NSW & ACT CLASSICS GAME

Name	House	Era
Prasanna Kariyawasam (Capt)	HARWARD	1970-1976
Channa Atukorale	HARTLEY	1970-1976
Deva Mylvaganam	HARTLEY	1969-1973
Mahen Selvarajah	HARTLEY	1970-1972
Panch Selvarajan	HARTLEY	1969-1973
Praba Prarajasingham	BOAKE	1965-1972
Suren Salgado	HARTLEY	1969-1974
Siri Mapa	BOAKE	1958-1967
Kum Sooriyakumar	BOAKE	1967-1971
Raj Karunairatnam	BOAKE	1963-1971
Ray Ramanan	REED	1969-1974
Rohan Abayasekara	MARSH	1961-1968
Vipula Godamune	BOAKE	1960-1965

Royal Thomian 2016 STC OBA NSW & ACT CLASSICS GAME

Name	House	Era
Randolph Morrell (Capt.)	COPLESTONE-CLAUGHTON	1954-1964
Derek Bolling	TBA (STC Prep)	1962-1965
David Garth	DE SARAM	1953-1965
Graham Masefield	BUCK	1956-1969
Somesh Somasunderam	WOOD	1957-1968
Dharma Karthikeya	DE SARAM	1954-1966
Jeremy Hillman	MILLER-CHAPMAN	1959 - 1967
Ananda Amaranath	MILLER-CHAPMAN	1952-1965
Vimal Jayanetti	STONE	1953-1961
Shaan Ching	MILLER-CHAPMAN / DE SARAM	1970 -1972
Nihal Ramanayake	STONE	1961 - 1972
Kamal Samarasinghe	STONE	1960 – 1972
Eksath Perera	BUCK	1963 - 1970



Sunil De Silva and Graham Masefield



Wimal Jayanetti, Ananda Amaranath and Barney Reid



Daya Thayananthan, Somasundaram Skandakumar and G. Masefield



Lesley Manickam, Jeremy Vandersay and Sri Lanka Counsul General L. Wickrematunge



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Umpires for the open game Ivan Holland and Peter Mooney



L:R Barney Reid (back to camera) Wimal Jayanetti, David Garth and Graham Masefield after his wardrobe incident.



Suraj Jayawickrema and Jeremy Hillman



Prassana Kariyawasam winning Classics Captain and MC;
efficient and precise made sure all went to plan



Daya Thayananthan RC OBA President had the enviable task
of confirming Royal victories in all three formats in 2016



Graham Masefield STC OBA President congratulated the victors on
their wins and thanked RC OBA for organising events this year.



Important spade work that is months in the planning and execution to
keep traditions alive



We all stand as one to sing the anthems of Royal and STC far away from the Greenfields of our youth...

Random walks down memory lane, a Royal Thomian tradition enshrined in perpetuity

The Thomians were a mere 13 /3 and in deep trouble in the first innings when their star batsmen A.P.B Tennakoon (Attaya) walked in to bat. Royal hearts had been set alight as Thomian wickets tumbled. When Attaya was on 3 he skied a ball that came my way that was unfortunately grassed and he went onto to score 78 runs for STC. Had it not been for this sterling knock STC would have not won the Royal Thomian in 1964. If I thought that was going to be the end of my woes, I was in for a rude shock. A few overs later I was fielding alongside the boundary rope. When an inebriated Royalist physically dragged me over the boundary line and began to abuse me about the grassed catch. I was quite helpless and just as he was getting ready to physically harm me thankfully saner minds intervened and I was able to take my position on the field. At that time, in that era, it was over no sooner it happened. Nobody mulled about the incident. When I now look back I often wonder how different it would have been in this modern era. I must be the only player in the history of the Royal Thomian encounter who has had such an experience. I had to gather my wits quickly and get back into the game.

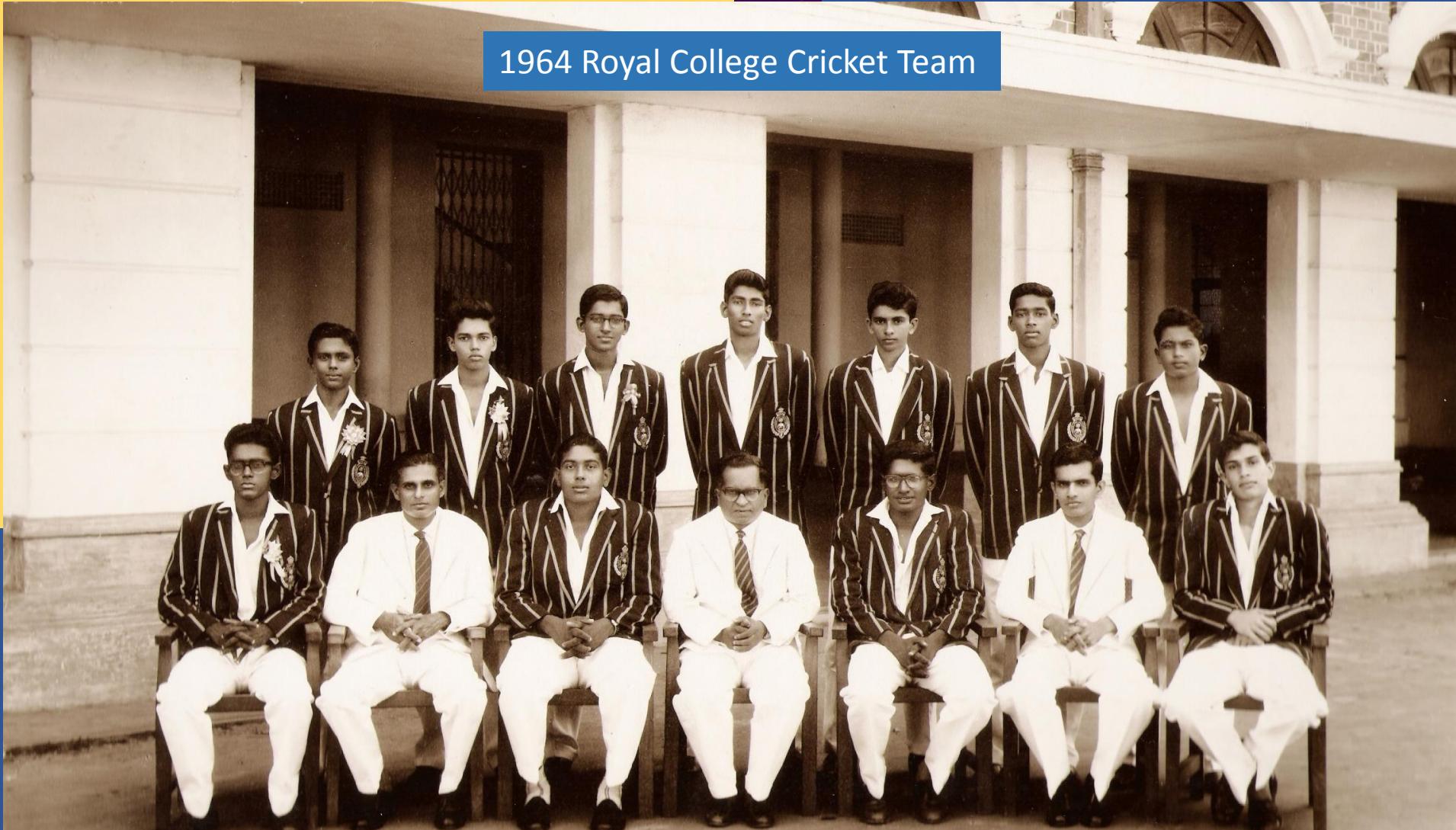
Soon after the match our Captain Shaw Wilson instructed the team to don their blazers which we did and we immediately walked across to the Thomian dressing room to congratulate them. It was a moving moment. We were not happy at our loss but Royal Thomian tradition and spirit had to be preserved and Shaw made sure that it was preserved. Later that night at the dinner for the two teams STC's Warden Davidson commented about Shaw's actions after the match.

Years later I visited Sri Lanka and went to the SSC grounds to see Sachin Tendulkar bat. As I entered the SSC I walked past two gentlemen who were amiably chatting away. As soon as I walked past them one shouted out to me, as I turned around he introduced me to his friend as the person who 'won' the 1964 Royal Thomian for STC! It was the Thomian Captain in 1964, Premalal Gunasekera, who had been chatting to Bertie Wijesinghe at the SSC.



Tommy Sivanesarajah and Ananda Amaranath - 2016

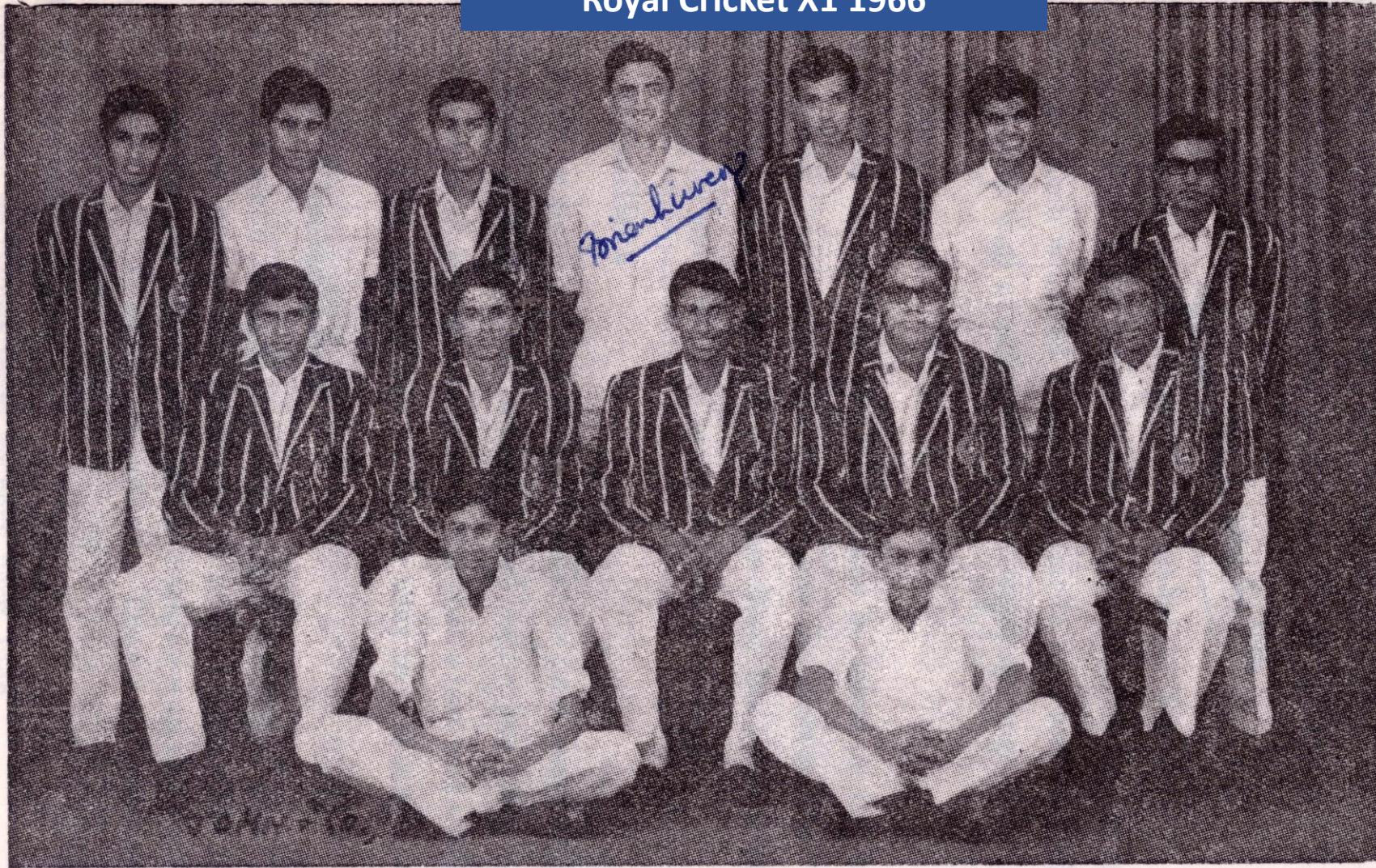
1964 Royal College Cricket Team



Standing L:R N.T Kurukulasuriya (Bunty), C.M Fernando (Cedric), A. Anketell (Arul), L. Thalayasingham (Lakshman), A.M Samarajiva (Asoka), T. Sivanesarajah (Tommy), H.N De Silva (Porky)

Seated L:R K. Sockanathan (Kevin), E.C Gunesekera (Master in Charge), J.D Wilson (Shaw), Dudley De Silva (Principal), S.Rajaratnam (Sugi), S.Goonetilleke (Sunith-Coach), H.M Macan Markar (Hamza)

Royal Cricket X1 1966



Standing L: to R:

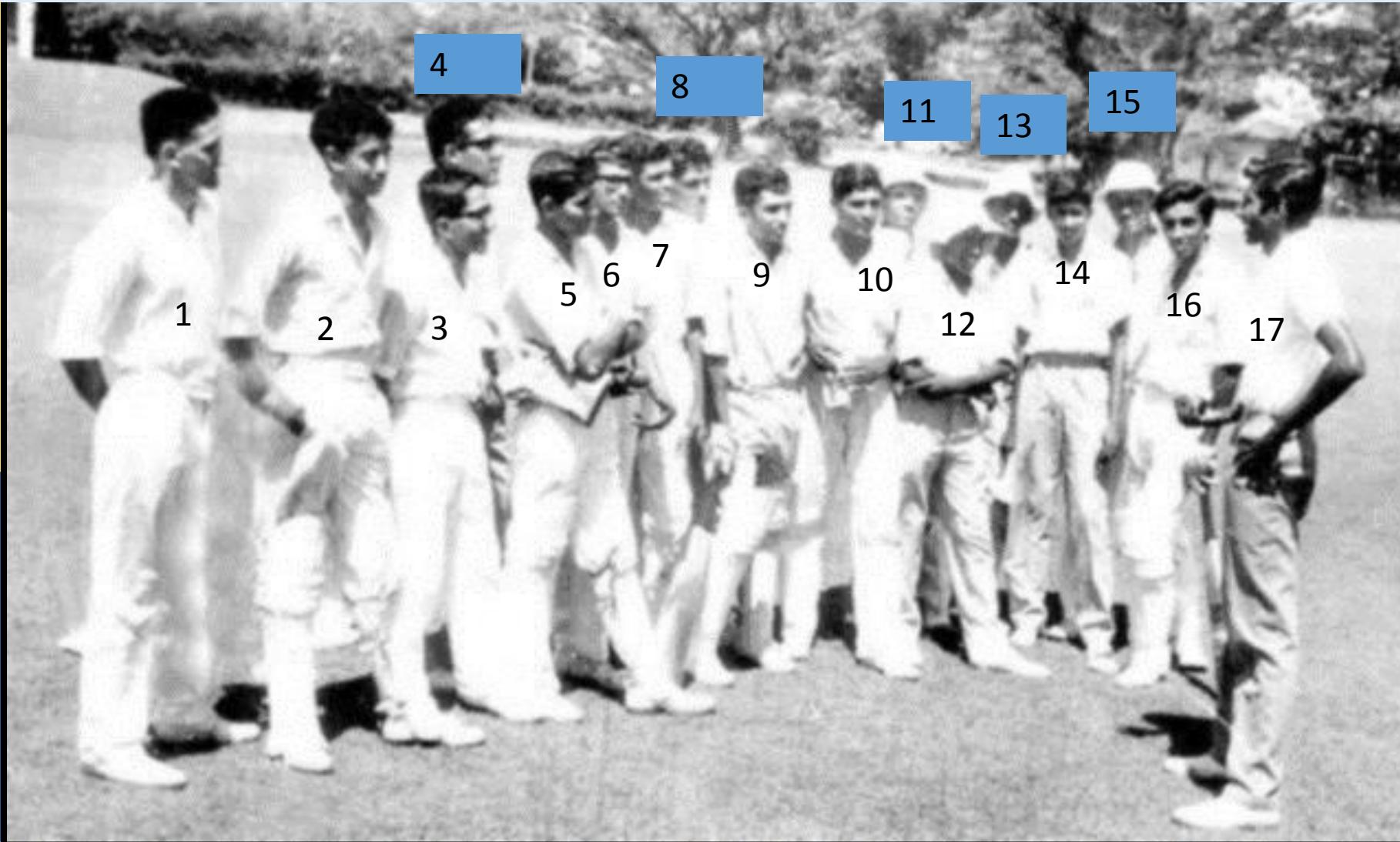
S. J. De Silva, A. R. Gunasekera, R. L. Wijetillake, N. B. L. Lieversz,
S. Skandakumar, J. Kudahetty, W. A. J. Wimaladharma.

Seated L: to R:

S. N. L. Wadugodapitiya, A. M. Samarajiwa, L. Thalayasingham (*Capt.*)
R. P. Liyanage, L. A. D. Sirisena.

On the ground L: to R: J. Wickramasuriya, B. N. R. Mendis.

Subtext in the mind: Every batsmen dreams of a 100, every bowler dreams of a hat trick and every fielder dreams of taking the catch that will bring victory ...and the Captain speaks to the committed and the transformed....



1. Brian Lieversz
2. Somasunderam Skandakumar
3. Wimaladharma
4. Rohan P Liyanage
5. Rohan Wijetilaka
6. S.P Sellayah
7. Jayantha Kudahetty
8. Asoka Samarajiwa
9. S.J de Silva
10. Nissanka Wadugodapitiya
11. A Ranjith Gunasekera
12. BNR Mendis
13. Suren Cooke
14. J. Wickramasuriya
15. ????
16. LAD Sirisena
17. Lakshman Thalayasingham

The Thalayasingham moment in 2016, the same message, different voices...tradition is alive

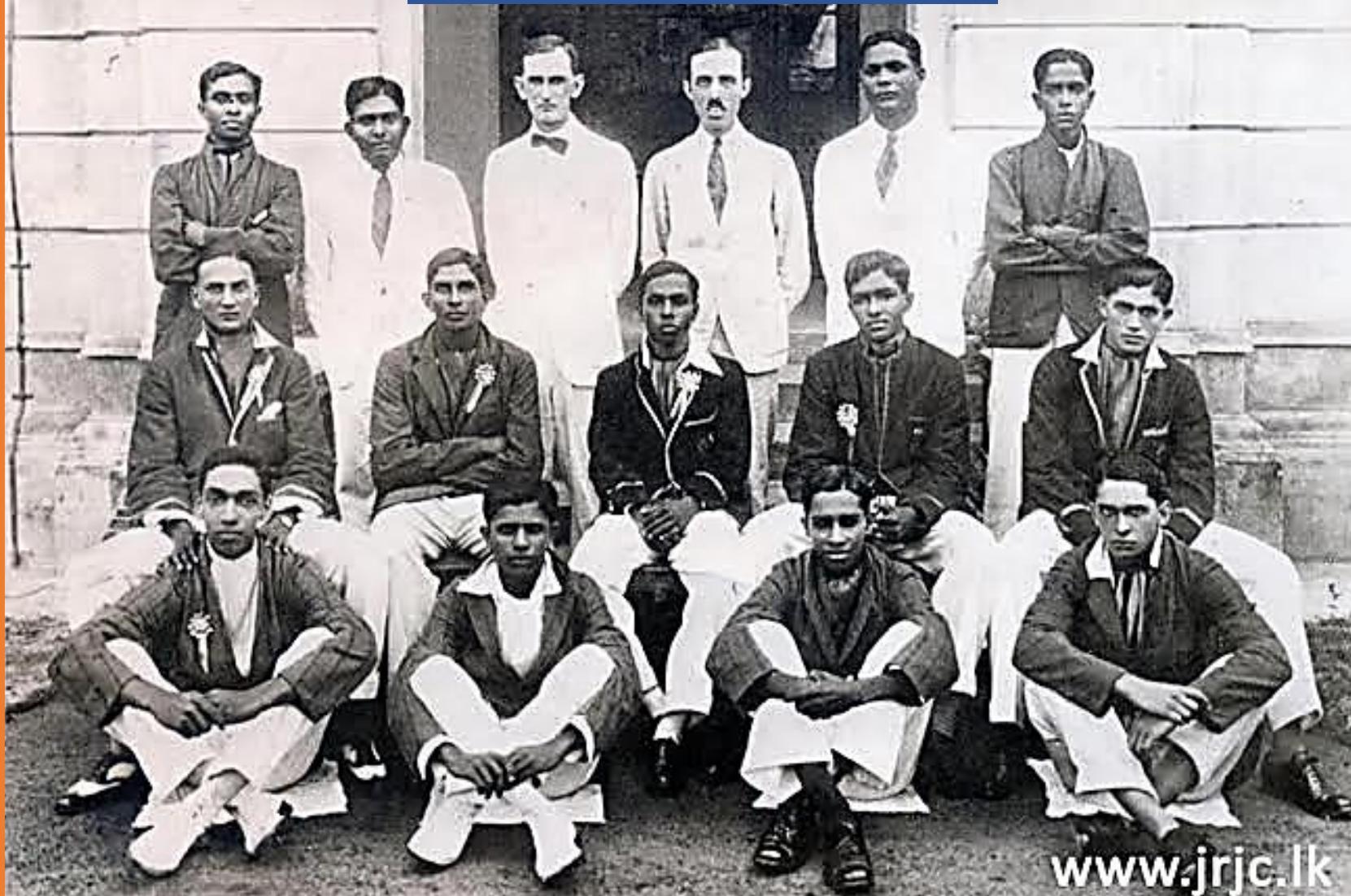




The College Grounds: "Arena"; "Coliseum"; "Melting-pot"; "Waterloo"!! The measure of the '**health**' and '**heart**' of a school'. Here, more than anywhere else, is 'College Spirit' born, inculcated, nurtured, matured and displayed. **Lifelong** associations begin here, with '**friend**' and '**foe**' alike...for **enmity lasts no longer than** the fading echo of the Referee's whistle, the Umpire's "**Stumps**" or the crowd's applause. Here, eager, young eyes watch heroes excel and lesser mortals fall. Here one learns the true meaning of Kipling's: "If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster...And treat those two impostors just the same;" Here one develops a reverence for "**Colossi**" gone before and resolves **not** to be found wanting. Upon this 'field' will that 'One Great Scorer' stand; and we would do well to remember: "...when the One Great Scorer comes to mark against your name, he writes, **not** that you won or lost, but how you played the Game."



Royal Cricket X1 1925



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Standing L:R H. Wijetunge, F. D. Wijesinghe, L. H. W. Sampson, H. L. Reed, Principal L. V. Gunaratne, W. J. P. Goonewardene
Seated L:R N. S. Joseph, D. W. L. Lieversz, L. D. S. Gunasekere, Captain, F. L. Goonewardene, H. Meedeniya
Seated on ground L:R J. R. Jayewardene, H. C. Dharmaratne, C. L. Perera, W. Ludovici

ROYAL THOMIAN 1960

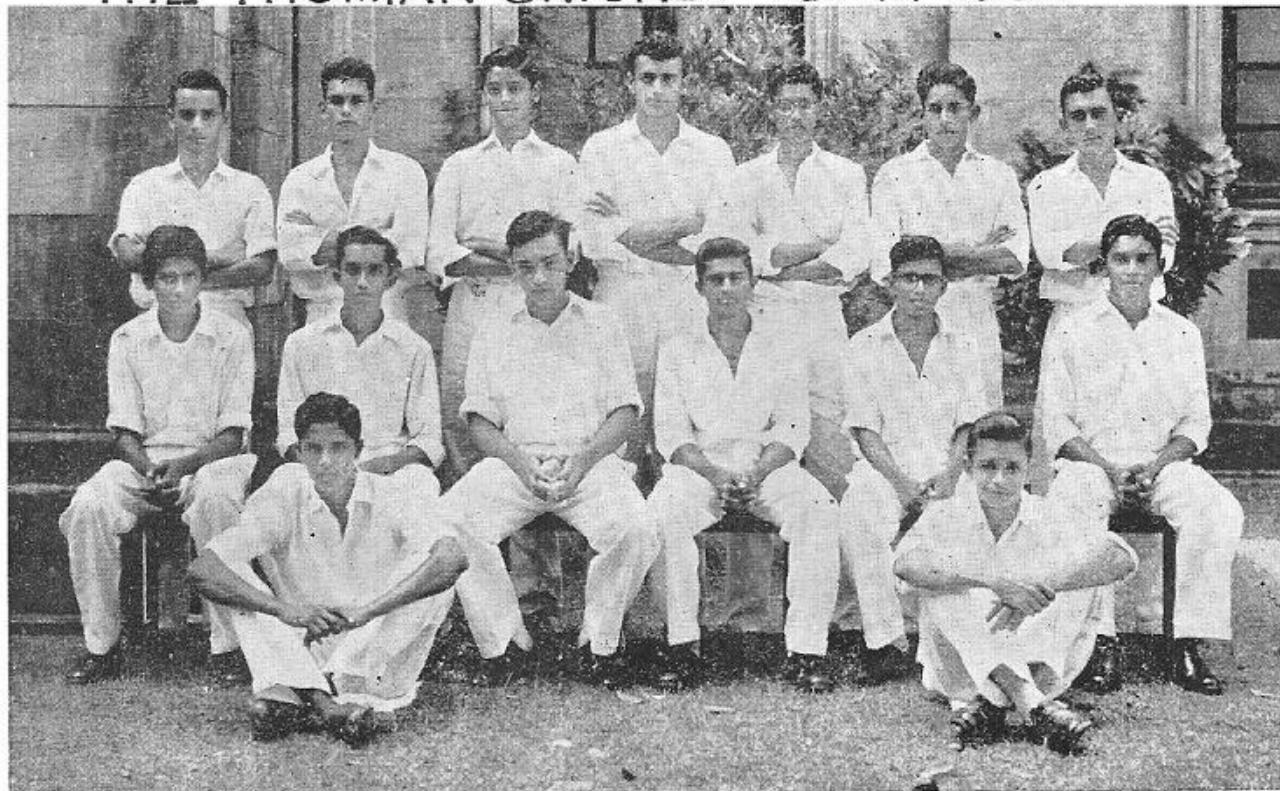
S. Thomas' College First Eleven Cricket Team
50 YEAR REUNION-12TH MARCH 2010



Standing (Left to Right): C.J.K Labrooy, P Wanduragala, M.D Fairweather, H.L.C d' Silva, G.S.Marapana, B.W.R Thomas.

Seated (Left to Right): C.E.M Ponniah, M.F Sproule, M.L Idroos (Capt), R.M Fernando, S.P Wijesinghe.

THE THOMIAN CRICKET TEAM 1960



Seated L. to R. :- C. M. Ponniah, R. M. Fernando, M. F. Sproule (Vice-Capt), M. L. Idroos (Capt.) S. P. Wijesinghe and B. W. R. Thomas.

Standing L to R. :- C. K. T. La Brooy, M. D. Fairweather, B. Gurusinghe (reserve) H. L. C. D' Silva; P. Wanduragala, G. S. Marapana, H. G. Patterson (reserve)

Seated on ground :- L. J. Brainard (reserve) and E. W. Scharenguivel (reserve)

...Baldwin's first Royal-Thomian as teacher.....

2015



Barney Reid (STC) with his arms over Royalists Rajkumar Karunairatnam and Prasanna Kariyawasam's shoulders as they sing the Royal College anthem, as did many Thomians in the audience, such is the way special moments are made...

THE WAY WE WERE...

The year was 1965. At the conclusion of our traditional big match versus St Thomas', the Royal team was summoned by the Principal and told that reciprocal matches had been initiated with schools in Jaffna and as a first step, the school's cricket team was to proceed over the weekend, for an encounter with St. John's College.

So a team of 14 players, comprising of a Muslim captain, ten Sinhalese, two Tamils and one Burgher bundled into the Yal Devi the following Thursday, and arrived at the Jaffna railway station to a truly warm reception. Over the next two days we played some fascinating cricket before an unprecedented and enthusiastic crowd. A challenging declaration by our captain, on the second day, in the true spirit of the game, left the Johnians around 140 runs to make from 20 overs. Their talented players rose to the task, to take them to victory, much to the delight of the very appreciative crowd, and Jaffna had seen a great game of cricket, played to its highest traditions. Yes, time wasting tactics in the face of possible defeat were unheard of in those days!!

At the closing banquet that followed, the night air was filled with songs, in Tamil, Sinhala and English, with team members exhibiting their talents in solos and duets. The warm and generous hospitality continued into Sunday as well, before we were escorted to the railway station for a memorable send off, and as the train pulled out of the platform, there was not one dry eye in the Royal team!! **S. Skandakumar (Hartley House 1959 – 1966)**

A Royal Sporting moment enshrined for posterity with a promise...

My lasting memory of this match is my tumble and injury and the Royalists very generous gesture of not running me out!

The very special Umpiring by our Chief Guest , Barney Reid , and this must be a first for this or any Competition anywhere in the world, and the weather which held out, an achievement of its own, considering what went on in the rest of Sydney!

Special thanks to those who came from "far and wide" Melbourne and Brisbane Sri Bawan and David Garth to help us out.

Unfortunately on the day we were found wanting but not from lack of trying!

The wet conditions did affect the ball and the runs scored as it did slow up in the outfield. batting honours went to Sri Bawan and Somesh Somasundaram who were the only batsmen who had the honour of retiring after reaching the set target .

On the whole our fielding was up to scratch and any runs conceded were earned by the batsman.

May we look forward to reversing the result next year.

Randolph Morrell (STC Classics Captain) 2015

There was a great display of sportsmanship on both sides. Early in the classics' game, star Thomian striker Randolph managed to find a good enough reason to stop for a quick forty winks midway during a run. As soon as Randolph hit the deck the Royalists in a show of great sportsmanship immediately went to his aid, ignoring an opportunity to run the batsmen out. Luckily for all, Randolph recovered, to continue his epic innings of 12 magnificent runs.

Early eighties Mackwoods were playing Aitken Spence in a vital Mercantile game on the BRC Matting. I led Mack while Spence were led by my friend & top Royal all-rounder of the early-mid sixties, Sugi (fondly called Sugga) Rajaratnam. We had many an enjoyable time off the field too reliving old tales, often arranged by that ubiquitous link man, late Lakshman(Laama) Thalaysingham.

We batted first. We lost an early wicket & I went in at 3. I was settling in pushing a few singles here & there, Sugga brought himself on I had faced him before in SSC/Tamil Union clashes. He had a curling inswinger which to me being a left hander was outswing. The first two swung early & I was able to leave them comfortably. The third came on middle & I was forced to play at it. It swung late, left me & went perilously close to the edge. I knew I hadn't edged it but I wouldn't have faulted the Ump had he given me out because my bat hitting the Mat made a sound & it was so darn close. I turned around but just as it thudded into the keeper's gloves everyone went up. It was very intimidating & most of the fielders even converged on the Ump who was unmoved, baying for the decision. I guessed many of them(if not all)may have been from the backwoods because they were chanting & ranting from the time I took guard. I must say the Ump was good, he could quite easily have given me out. Through all this I could see Sugga motionless in his follow through. Then suddenly he put his hands on hips & bellowed, **“He is a Thomian, if he nicked it he would have walked. Now get back to your places you mutts”**. I could see he was livid & those words still ring in my ears. This exemplified in no uncertain terms the brotherhood that exists between Royalists & Thomians.

We won in a close game & when I took my team to their Dressing Room as players of our time always used to do (I wonder whether it ever happens now) I found him still giving his boys a lecture on sportsmanship.

PLD Kariyawasam (De Saram House 1957 – 1970)

Thomian Second X1 Team 1966



Standing L:R Sunil Jayasekera, Ranjit Senanayake, Dennis Schrenguivel, Ajit Jayasekera, Ranjit Jayasinghe, Anura Gunasekera, Lakshman Watawala, Melvyl Fernando, Sarath Weerasinghe
Seated L:R R.Peter Mendis, Sri Bawan, Nihal Nilaweera (Captain), Warden Selvaratnam, Azam Hameed, Bandula Tennakoon, Quintin Israel (Coach)



"Christie" was an institution at Royal College. An "all rounder" - one might call him, (studies, sports, teaching and as administrator). Following the family tradition

- (Four of his uncles El, VR, DB. (Snr.) and HC (later CH.) represented Royal College. Christie was a perfectionist[^] He had determination to study every aspect of subjects allotted to him - as a cricketer, coach, teacher, administrator. In the college cricket team he was a brilliant fieldsman. He also tried his hand at boxing in the class in his years at Royal, He demanded the highest standards. Discipline was No. 1. No coming to class with "fancy" male hairstyles or extended "side burns", Boys must be boys!) Christie entered Royal in 1935 and passed the London Matriculation Exam in 1942. Passing out from the University College (then) in 1949 he applied some of his stern principles as a member of the St. Joseph's College staff while Master-in-Charge. In this capacity St. Joseph's produced some of the finest cricket teams in the 1950s. I do not know what he felt like when St. Joseph's scored 467 for 9 wkts. (d) in 4 hours and defeated Royal by innings and 354 mns Royals biggest defeat ever (1952). Coach Malcolm Spittel thought highly of his organising ability.

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To generations of Old Thomians Mrs Morrell was a second mother – a locum Parent. She knew each Boarder by name, House and dormitory and had an uncanny ability to read a student's mind. Her watchful eyes and experience would tell her when

to intervene and when to turn a blind eye and as often was the case to give in a clear and loud tone a piece of her mind to any boy trying a “fast one” to “cut prep” or “cut school” or “cut detention”. She knew how to be strict without sacrificing her standards of compassion. She healed our wounds & cooled our fevered brows while nursing us through Chicken Pox, Jaundice, Mumps & Measles and many varied sports injuries. Often she would be awake all night nursing a patient and be back at work the next morning looking forward to the challenges of a new day.

Donated by his wife Sharmini Sellamuttu



Eardley Lievesz shares his memories about the spirit behind the Rama Sellamuttu Shield.

Rama played under me in Royal's second XI and I can vouch for the fact that he embodied those qualities that hold Royalists in good stead wherever they go.

Rama was stubborn, dogged and persevering, and never threw his wicket away. And as a tail ender he bolstered the total which made a difference in low scoring games.

Then and now, leg spin is the least preferred option of those who take up bowling. But it is a tribute to Rama's temperament and willingness to accept challenges that leg spin came naturally to him.

On many an occasion I would call upon Rama's leg spin to keep things tight or to get that vital breakthrough in close games.



School of Our Fathers

Thy spirit first to life awoke
In eighteen hundred and thirty five
Beneath the sway of Marsh and Boake
Thenceforth did Lanka's learning thrive (Refrain)



School where our fathers learnt the way before us
Learnt of books and learnt of men, through thee we'll do the same
True to our watchword "Disce Aut Discede"
We will learn of books and men, and learn to play the game (Refrain)

Within thy shade our fathers trod
The path that leads to man's estate;
They have repaid the debt they owed;
They kept thy fame inviolate. (Refrain)



And we their loyal sons now bear
The torch, with hearts as sound as oak;
Our lusty throats now raise a cheer
For Hartley, Harward, Marsh and Boake. (Refrain)



Thomians young and Thomians old,
Thomians staunch and true!
Rally round the College Flag,
The Blue, the Black and Blue
To your Alma Mater sing,
Thomians near and far
Loudly let the echoes ring,
For all we have and are. (Chorus)

Like the serpent keen and wise,
Harmless as the dove,
By the cross we're knit in one
Holy bond of love.
Loyal to our Church and state
Both in peace and war,
To the College we will sing
For all we have and are. (Chorus)

In the field of intellect
Many a prize we've won,
And upon the field of sport
Thomians yield to none.



The Blue, Black and Blue forever!



Be it work, or be it play,
We will do and dare.
To the College therefore sing
For all we have and are. (Chorus)

We rejoice in victory,
When our foes we beat,
We have learnt, when fortune
frowns

How to take defeat,
All unfriendly rivalry
From our lives we bar
To the College therefore sing
For all we have and are. (Chorus)

When into the world we go
For our life's career,
As the call of duty sounds,
We will answer clear
Onward to the goal we press,
Guided by our star.
To the College therefore sing
For all we have and are. (Chorus)

THE POST MATCH E: SOUVENIR WAS SUPPORTED BY MANY. IT IS HOPED THAT IT WILL BECOME A FEATURE OF MATCHES IN THE FUTURE



The pictures on the day were kindly taken and provided by Duke Ramachandran (Left) and Rex Ratnam (Right).

Daya Thayananthan (RC), JP Jeyapalan (RC), Eksath Perera (STC), Graham Masefield (STC), Jeremy Hillman (STC), Rex Ratnam (STC), Shaan Ching (STC), Erdley Lievers (RC), David Sansoni (STC), Tommy Sivanesarajah (RC)

Interstate: Mrs. Corinne King (Methodist College), Maurice Fairweather (STC), Barney Reid (STC), Sri Bawan (STC).

Overseas: PLD Kariyawasam (STC), Ajit Jayasekera (STC)

Open: Winners Royal (Captain Lalin De Silva)

Man Of the Match: Shamil Samarasinghe (RC)

Best Batsman: Pruthuvi Attanayake (RC)

Best Bowler: Charith Amarasinghe (RC)

Best Fielder: Kavisha De Silva (RC)

Masters (Over 50): Winners Royal (Captain Radesh Chanmugam)

Man Of the Match: Dinesh De Silva (RC)

Best Batsman: Richie De Silva (STC)

Best Bowler: Nimalan Karthikeyan (RC)

Best Fielder: Mahesh Naganathan (STC)

Classics (Over 60): Winners Royal (Captain Prasanna Kariyawasam)

Man Of the Match: Mahen Selvarajah (RC)

Best Batsman: Channa Atukorala (RC)

Best Bowler: Vimal Jayanetti (STC)

Spirit of the Game Award: David Garth (STC)

