



Gary John Cosier – born 25 April 1953

Gary Cosier became the club's first Australian representative when he played against India at the Gabba in December 1977. He was an established Test player at that stage having already played nine Tests. He was the eleventh Australian player to score a century on debut – 109 against the West Indies in Melbourne in December 1975.

Coach John Bell recruited Cosier to play for Wynnum Manly when he moved north for the 1977-78 season from South Australia where he had played for three seasons after starting his Shield career in 1971-72 for Victoria.

Cosier played in the Centenary Test in Melbourne in March 1977 and toured England in 1977 but did not play a Test and he was one of four tourists not offered a World Series Cricket contract. He played four Tests against India and three in the West Indies in 1977-78 – the season he played for Wynnum Manly.

Because of representative commitments, Cosier played only two innings for Wynnum Manly (0 on debut and 93). Cosier's last Shield innings as a Wynnum Manly player coincided with Wayne Broad's Shield debut in January 1978. Broad and Cosier therefore played together for Queensland without playing together at Wynnum Manly, as Broad was seconded to play for Colts in 1977-78 & 1978-79.

Cosier was selected for the 1978 Australian Tour to the West Indies. On his return he transferred to Western Suburbs where he played a further two seasons 1978-79 and 1979-80 but again because of representative duties played only two Club matches in the 1978-79 season. He played his last two Tests - against England while at Wests.

He then returned to Victoria as Captain Coach of Northcote where he had made his debut as a fifteen year old in 1968-69 and where he played in the 1973-74 premiership side before he moved to South Australia. On his return to Northcote in 1980-81, he became the first Northcote player to win the Jack Ryder medal. He continued to play and was part of St Kilda's 1984-85 and 1985-86 premiership sides.

He returned to Brisbane as Captain Coach of Colts for 1989-90 and scored a century (137*) against Wynnum Manly at Boundary St on 9 December 1989.

In all, he played 18 Tests for Australia, four Shield matches for Victoria (2 at the start & 2 at the end of his career), 24 for South Australia and 26 for Queensland.

While we claim Gary Cosier as a Test player it was Greg Ritchie, Carl Rackemann and John Maguire who were home grown players having played their initial Club cricket at Wynnum Manly before gaining Queensland and Australian selection.

In Greg Ritchie, Carl Rackemann and John Maguire Wynnum Manly had three players in the same Test team when they played in one Test against the West Indies at St John's, Antigua in April 1984 (the fourth Test of the West Indies tour). This was a rare event at that time and more so with three players who had begun their representative careers with the same Club.

They also played in seven Benson and Hedges World Series Cup ODI games against Pakistan and the West Indies in January 1984 and one further one day game at Castries, Saint Lucia, in the West Indies in April 1984.



Gregory Michael Ritchie – born 23 January 1960.

Greg Ritchie was recruited by Coach John Bell from Toowoomba and went straight into first grade to become the youngest Wynnum Manly first grade debutant at the age of 16 years and 240 days on 18 September 1976. This was also Bell's debut match having joined Wynnum Manly from Northern Suburbs. Ritchie played 46 matches for Wynnum Manly over eight seasons and held the highest first grade score of 210* against Norths in December 1981 until Ryan Broad scored 241 against University in October 2005.

Ritchie first played for Queensland on 24 October 1980 against Victoria at the Gabba and played his first Test against Pakistan at Karachi on 22 September 1982. He scored a century (106*) in his second Test at Faisalabad and went on to score 1690 runs (3 x 100) in a 30 Test five season career.

On his return from the West Indies Tour in May 1984 he left Wynnum Manly and joined Valley where he played for three seasons. In 1984-85 and 1985-86 Ritchie joined Valley players Allen Border and Kepler Wessels in playing eight Tests for Australia in further instances of three club players in the same Australian team.

Ritchie then played for Eastern Suburbs from 1987-88 to 1991-92 where he finished his club and representative career after 106 Queensland appearances having scored 7014 runs at 44.96.



Carl Gray Rackemann – born 3 June 1960

Carl Rackemann was recruited by John Bell as a Kingaroy schoolboy and debuted for Wynnum Manly at 17 years and 106 days on 17 September 1977. He played 31 matches for Wynnum Manly from 1977-78 to 1983-84 but played two seasons 1978-79 and 1979-80 for Colts.

Starting on 2 November 1979 against Western Australia at the Gabba Rackemann played 18 seasons for Queensland where he became the leading wicket taker on 383. He has since been overtaken by Michael Kasprowicz and Andy Bichel.

While on an Esso scholarship in 1981 playing for Surrey he was called up to play for Australia against Warwickshire in a limited overs match.

He played his first Test, against England at the Gabba, on 26 November 1982. This was also Kepler Wessell's Test debut where he became the thirteenth Australian to score a century (162) on debut. It was almost a year later (11 November 1983) before Rackemann played his next Test – against Pakistan in Perth where he took 11 wickets for 118 in the match. He played a total of 12 Tests (39 wickets) – four of those while at Wynnum Manly.

On his return from the West Indies tour in May 1984 he and John Maguire left Wynnum Manly to join Sandgate Redcliffe.

Initially selected for the Australian tour to England in 1985 he declined and joined an Australian rebel tour to South Africa where he played 15 matches over two seasons 1985-86 and 1986-87.

After returning from South Africa he played for Western Suburbs for 10 seasons. He toured England with the Australian team in 1989 but did not play a Test. He played his final test against England at Sydney on 4 January 1991.

He was part of Queensland's successful Shield win in March 1995 where he took the final catch to win the match. He was then called up as a replacement in the Australia tour of the West Indies but did not play a Test.

He coached Zimbabwe in 2000 and 2001.

He was a director of Queensland Cricket since 2004-05 until he resigned in August 2008.



John Norman Maguire – born 15 September 1956

John Maguire debuted for Wynnum Manly at 20 years and 74 days after being discovered playing Warehouse cricket. He played over eight seasons from 1977 to 1984 for Wynnum Manly where he took 96 wickets at 19.18. He played the 1981-82 season at University.

He first played for Queensland against Western Australia at the Gabba on 10 February 1978 and he played in 64 matches until March 1989 taking 178 wickets at 34.20. He played the first of his three Tests in the fourth Test against Pakistan at the MCG on Boxing Day 1983 where he played alongside Greg Chappell, Dennis Lillee and Rod Marsh but was replaced by Rodney Hogg in the fifth Test in Sydney which was the final Test of these three great players. He was selected for the 1983-84 West Indies tour under Kim Hughes where he played the fourth and fifth Tests – the fourth, the historic Test with Ritchie and Rackemann.

He made 23 limited over appearances for Australia, the first of which was historic in that he was called up while playing a Shield match against New South Wales at the Gabba, being replaced by Michael Maranta.

On his return from the West Indies tour in May 1984 he left Wynnum Manly to join Sandgate Redcliffe.

When the Australian team to tour England was announced in 1985 Terry Aldermann, Rod McCurdy and Steve Rixon pulled out since they had signed to a rebel tour of South Africa. They were replaced by Maguire, Rackemann and Ray Phillips. However Maguire and Rackemann declined to tour and joined the Australian rebel tour to South Africa where Maguire played 15 matches over two seasons 1985-86 and 1986-87.

After returning from South Africa he played for Western Suburbs for two seasons 1987-88 and 1988-89 and played those two seasons and a further 19 games for Queensland.

He then returned to South Africa and played two seasons for Eastern Province finishing his career in the 1991 English season with Leicestershire.



Adam Craig Dale – born 30 December 1968.

Adam Dale joined Wynnum Manly for the 1993-94 season after moving from Melbourne for work reasons and played 67 matches for Wynnum Manly taking 239 wickets at 14.96 over 10 seasons. In his last season in 2002-03 he coached the Club to a narrowly lost final against Gold Coast.

Dale played for Northcote in 1990-91 winning the bowling average with 36 wickets at 16.94. He played for North Melbourne for three seasons 1991-92 and 1992-93 and when he returned to Melbourne in 2003-04 where he took a total 106 wickets. Dale was Club champion for North Melbourne in 1991-92 and again in 2003-04.

Dale played 44 matches for Queensland starting against Tasmania at the Gabba on 6 November 1996 and ending in March 2003. He took 202 wickets at 21.76 for Queensland. He played in three Shield finals 1996-97, 2000-01, and 2001-02. He played two Tests for Australia. Against India at Bangalore in March 1998 he took the wickets of Tendulkar (admittedly on 177), Ganguly for 17 and Harbhinder Singh for 0. He played against the West Indies in April 1999 at St Johns, Antigua. He also played 30 ODI games for Australia

He won the Peter Burge medal for best and fairest first grade player on two occasions – 1993-94 (41 wickets at 14.82) and 1995-96 (55 wickets at 12.32) On his return to Melbourne in 2003-04 he won the Jack Ryder medal with 61 wickets at 12.38 with 5 returns of five or more and twice took ten or more in a match.



Stuart Grant Law – born 18 October 1968.

Stuart Law joined Wynnum Manly from Valley in September 1997 to play with his mates Ken Healy and Scott Prestwidge. He made 141* on debut against South Brisbane. He was at that time a successful Sheffield Shield winning captain - 1994-95 and 1996-97.

Law made his first class debut for Queensland versus New South Wales at the Gabba on 28 October 1988, the first of his record 158 appearances for Queensland, scoring 4 and 24. He captained 5 winning Shield finals.

He played one test match for Australia against Sri Lanka in Perth on 8 December 1995 in a match where M.J.Slater scored 219, M.A.Taylor 96, M.E.Waugh 111, R.T.Ponting 96 out of 5 declared for 617 Law scored 54*.

He played 54 one day games for Australia, 10 of those while at Wynnum Manly.

At Valley he played 58 matches between 1983-84 and 1995-96, made 5 centuries and scored 2136 runs at 42.72, captaining the first grade team in some matches in 1994-95.

He played one season for Eastern Suburbs in 1991-92.

For Wynnum-Manly he scored 1104 runs at 52.57 scoring 3 centuries and because of representative commitments scored consecutive centuries 105 days apart.

He played County Cricket in Australia's off season initially for Essex from 1996 to 2001 and then Lancashire from 2002 to 2008. He is currently playing limited overs cricket for Derbyshire.

He represented Queensland Under 19 in 1986-87 and 1987-88; and Queensland Colts from 1986-87 to 1988-89. He toured New Zealand in 1986-87 with the Australian under 19 side playing three youth tests and played a further youth test against West Indies that year. In 1987-88 he was also a member of the Australian Youth team that beat Pakistan for the McDonald's Bicentennial Cup at Adelaide Oval



Ben Laughlin – born 3 October 1982.

Ben Laughlin has played all his cricket for Wynnum Manly, first turning out for the under 18's as a fifteen year old in the 1998-99 season. He has played 50 matches for first grade over six seasons playing lower grades in the 2004-05 season through injury. He has now taken 154 first grade wickets and 365 career wickets placing him in the top 10 Club career wicket takers. In three seasons he took 129 first grade wickets (43, 55, 33) which prompted a State selection.

He has played four Sheffield Shield games from a debut on 7 March 2008 against Victoria at the MCG – the last game of the 2007-08 season and three games in the 2008-09 season.

He has also played 11 Ford Ranger one day games after a debut on 15 October 2008 against Tasmania at the Gabba. In his second game he took 6/23 against New South Wales in Cairns – the second best figures behind Carl Rackemann in Queensland's one day history. He took 23 wickets for the season and played in both the Sheffield Shield and Ford Ranger finals in 2008-09.

His one day form led to his being sensationally selected for the limited over Australian campaign in South Africa in March 2009.

He played a Twenty 20 game against South Africa at Centurion Park, where he bowled the final over, followed by 5 one day internationals (three against South Africa and two against Pakistan in the United Arab Emirates).



England v Australia ODI, County Ground Derby, 29 June 2001

Julia Clare Price – born 11 January 1972.

Julia Price first played for Wynnum Manly in the 1995-96 season when women's cricket was restructured into the Club competition scoring 613 runs at 47.15. She has now scored 4878 runs at 44.75 and she continued to play after 13 seasons retiring in March 2008. She played 8 matches in fifth grade in the men's competition in the 1995-96 season and has played other men's matches since then.

She has played 89 National Cricket League matches for Queensland between November 1996 and December 2007 where she scored 1890 runs and has taken 78 catches and 23 stumpings.

She played 84 one day matches for Australia from February 1996 to September 2005 where she took 70 catches and 30 stumpings. She played in three World Cups - 1997-98 in India, 2001 in New Zealand and 2005 in South Africa where Australia was successful in two of those tournaments beating New Zealand in India and India in South Africa and losing to New Zealand by four runs in England.

She played 10 Tests for Australia starting against New Zealand at North Melbourne on 8 February 1996. She last played against England at Worcester on 24 August 2005.

She coached in Australia's off season in Ireland, Holland and Zimbabwe.



Sally-Ann Cooper – born 12 October 1978.

Sally Cooper first played for Wynnum Manly in the 1999-00 season and played four seasons to 2002-03 with two games in 2004-05 and one game in 2005-06. She has scored 1488 runs and taken 45 wickets. She played seven One Day International matches for Australia against England, Ireland and New Zealand from July 2001 to March 2002. Interestingly she played only one of those matches in Australia, at Adelaide, against New Zealand and she played all seven matches with her Wynnum Manly team-mate Julia Price.

She played 42 one day games for Queensland over seven seasons from 1997-98 to 2003 04 but did not play in 1999-00. She scored 645 runs and took 5 wickets.