

# MEMORABLE MATCHES

## 1980/81 – CARLTON v RICHMOND

Played at Albert Ground on March 28, 29 & April 4, 1981. Toss: GN Yallop (Rich).

Carlton won on first innings by 107 runs. Umpires: RC Bailhache & RA French.

### CARLTON 1st Innings

IR Taylor c Richardson b Leehane	1
WM Tyson c Hyde b Higgs	34
* WJ Scholes run out (Burridge)	78
DM Jones c Rogers b Russ	9
NR Buszard b Leehane	19
IW Callen run out (Hyde-Quinn)	9
KR Stackpole c Hyde b Burridge	11
GA Smyth c Hyde b Russ	0
+ KA Whichello st Hyde b Higgs	57
MG Laidler c Hyde b Russ	4
RE Lawrence not out	11
Sundries (4b 5nb)	9

**TOTAL** ..... 242

**Fall:** 3, 84, 111, 147, 157, 159, 159, 177, 185, 242.

**Bowling** (O-M-R-W) Leehane 28-12-35-2,

Burridge 19-10-28-1, Russ 28-8-90-3,

Higgs 43.2-14-80-2.

### RICHMOND 1st Innings

GW Richardson c Whichello b Callen	47
MB Quinn c Stackpole b Laidler	11
AJ Quarterman run out (Buszard-Whichello)	14
* GN Yallop c Tyson b Stackpole	3
BA Rogers c Scholes b Callen	22
RJ Sincock lbw b Laidler	12
+ PA Hyde run out (Smyth)	3
JI Russ c Scholes b Lawrence	2
AI Burridge c Buszard b Lawrence	2
JF Leehane b Callen	0
JD Higgs not out	0
Sundries (5lb 1w 13nb)	19

**TOTAL** ..... 135

**Fall:** 32, 82, 84, 86, 118, 127, 131, 131, 133, 135.

**Bowling** (O-M-R-W): Callen 25-9-50-3,

Lawrence 25.5-15-21-2,

Laidler 19-8-17-2, Stackpole 14-5-28-1.

*Sent into bat by Richmond captain Yallop (pictured right), Carlton overcame the loss of an early wicket to bat solidly, even if apparently over-cautiously, throughout the first day. Scholes batted almost the entire day to finish 78 not out in the final score of 4/165. Richmond fought back well on the second day taking three quick wickets as Carlton collapsed to be 9/184. At this point Carlton wicketkeeper Whichello was joined by Lawrence and this pair added what was to prove a virtual match-winning partnership of 58. Whichello batted extremely well, not only protecting Lawrence from the bowlers wherever possible, but also taking full toll of any over-pitched or ill-directed bowling in his hand of 57. The partnership was able to regain the initiative for Carlton.*

*Richmond started solidly, losing only one wicket before stumps while scoring 50 runs and appeared to be in a strong position entering the final day. However, this was soon to change as the Carlton bowlers and fieldsmen exerted great pressure on the batsmen. Wickets fell regularly and Richmond was finally dismissed for a disappointing 136.*

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This was Carlton's last premiership success and the Blues' third flag win in four years, each of those wins over the Tigers. Richmond finally broke through two years later, defeating the Blues in the Final. Carlton also won the VCA Club Championship in 1980/81. The Ryder Medal was won by Northcote's Gary Cosier (35), with Prahran's Simon Davis (26) second and Richmond's Andrew Quarterman (25) third. The Buddogs' Vid Richardson (543 runs @ 45.25) led the VCA batting aggregates for a second successive season, while Carlton fast bowler and current club president John Douglas topped the VCA bowling aggregates with 42 wickets @ 16.35.

