

SPORTS.....CRICKET

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SECRETARY, RICHMOND CRICKET CLUB

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- The Club was organized in 1966; they started playing in 1967.
- About the Club getting organized she says: "Ivor Dunham was the moving spirit of the whole thing, he really started up".
- Some of the original organizers of the Club were former members of the Kerrisdale Club.
- Although there wasn't a large membership at the outset of the club, about enough for one club, enthusiasm was high.
- The Club did not encounter much difficulty in getting organized although there was a bit of red-tape that had to be gone through.
- The Club has always played in Minoru Park.
- The Club has just recently started getting juniors, ages 7 - 9.
- The Club has one intermediate team and they are trying for two senior teams this year.
- The Club has no affiliations outside of B. C.
- The Club holds an annual general meeting and executive meetings in which they cover topics as finances, tours, and the general running of the Club.
- There are 26 - 30 teams in the mainland league in which the Richmond Club participates. This league includes such places as Abbotsford, Vancouver and Burnaby.
- Richmond won the league cup in 1967-68 (Division 3).
- Richmond has always been near the top in the league...last year they came second.
- The league in which Richmond plays is divided into divisions depending on the strength of the team: i.e. the 1st and 2nd division team would be stronger than the 3rd and 4th division; Richmond is a 3rd division team at present.
- Cricket is played the same in Richmond as it is in England, there are no rule differences, etc.
- The Club has never had any real financial difficulties.
- The Club has never been sponsored by any local merchants.