Old Scotch Football Club CRACKERS CHRONICLES – CLUB LEGENDS 1960s (1960 – 1969)

Welcome back to this week's edition of "Crackers Chronicles".

Each week in this column we will trace some of the history of the *Old Scotch Football Club* by recounting the contributions made by some of our club legends.

This week we focus on club legends of the 1960s ...

I. McK. lan Wilson

In 1961, Ian Wilson, an old boy of *Scotch College*, was recruited to our club from *University Blacks* and played 162 games for the *Old Scotch Collegians Football Club* from 1961 – 1970, debuting in our Seniors on 22 April 1961 and playing in the number "5" jumper. He played in our 1961 & 1967 Reserves premiership teams, and our 1965 & 1970 B Section premiership teams. Ian captained our club for four years from 1963 – 1966.

In 1965, coached by Don Howell, **he captained the club to be a** *B Section Premiership* - *Old Scotch* 18.10.118 defeated *Caulfield Grammarians* 4.11.35. He was also a Victorian State representative in 1963. Later after he retired, in 1988 & 1989 he was Club Secretary and in 1990 he coached our Reserves. lan died in 1998. **Our annual "Encouragement Award" is named after lan**.

In 2017, Ian was named in the forward pocket and vice-captain of our *OSFC Reserve Team of the Century*. Ian is the father of OSCFC Player Tom Wilson (1988 – 1999).

G. E. Geoff Speed ("Sammy")

Geoff Speed was recruited from *Scotch College* in 1960. He played 144 games for the *Old Scotch Collegians Football Club* from 1960 – 1971. He played in the Reserves premiership teams of 1961, 1967 & 1969, and in the Club 18 premiership team of 1971.

Geoff went on to be President of the Old Scotch Collegians' Association in 1992, and fifteenth President of the *Old Scotch Collegians Football Club* for five years from 1999 – 2003. He was awarded a Life Member of the Club in 2003. He continues to act today as a match-day statistician. In 2017, to celebrate the VAFA's 125th anniversary, the VAFA awarded a personalised medal to Geoff for making a most significant contribution to the ongoing success of our club between 1992 – 2017. Geoff's most significant contribution to our club has been in leading our club, mentoring incoming presidents, with a particular focus on collecting player subs and selling club memberships.

Geoff is father of OSCFC player Andrew Speed (1992 – 2001).

D. J. David Hughes

In 1961, David Hughes was recruited from *Scotch College* as a Junior player and debuted in our Seniors on 12 August 1961 going on to play 163 games for the *Old Scotch Collegians Football Club* from 1961 – 1976 in the number "1" jumper. He was our club's leading goalkicker in 1962, 1964 (also VAFA leading goalkicker), 1968, 1969 & 1970. He was our club's Best & Fairest in 1967 and captained our Club for three years from 1969 – 1971. He was a Victorian representative in 1964, 1965, 1967, 1968, 1969 & 1971, and captained Victoria in 1969. He was also an Australian Amateur Football Council representative in 1964, 1965 & 1968, winning the AAFC Medal in 1964, and captaining the AAFC team in 1968.

In 1970, coached by David Kidd, **he captained the club to a** *B Section Premiership* – *Old Scotch* 14.22.106 defeated *St Bernards* 7.9.51.

After retiring from playing, **David served on the VAFA Independent Tribunal for 32 years** from 1984 until today.

David returned to our club to manage our Under 19 Team for 6 years from 1998 – 2003. He was awarded a Life Member of our club in 2000.

In 2000, he was named at full-forward in the OSFC Team of the Century.

The VAFA awarded David a Certificate of Merit in 2000. He was elected a Life Member of the VAFA in 2011 and named a VAFA Big V Champion in 2011.

Next week we will look at club legends of the 1970s ...

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