

Old Scotch Football Club  
CRACKERS CHRONICLES – LATE FIFTIES

Welcome back to **“Crackers Chronicles”**. This week we trace some of the history of the *Old Scotch Football Club* by recounting the contributions of two of our Life Members from the late 1950s.

**B. A. Bryan Gibbs (“Gibbles”)**

Bryan Gibbs was recruited from *Scotch College* in 1955 and played 107 games for the *Old Scotch Collegians Football Club* from 1955 – 1961. He was the club’s leading club goalkicker in 1960. After retiring from playing, Bryan coached our Juniors from 1969 – 1971.

During his playing career, Bryan was also Treasurer of our club from 1957 – 1963, committee member from 1964 – 1966, Vice President of the club in 1972 and then went on to become the twentieth Secretary of the OSCFC for eight years from 1973 – 1979, and again in 1997. During his term as secretary, he was a Reserves premierships secretary in 1973 and a premierships secretary in 1977 & 1978.

He was awarded a Life Member of the Club in 1978.

Since then, Bryan has acted as Chairman of Selectors from 1978 – 1979, Vice President of the club from 1980 – 1981, Treasurer again in 1983, eleventh President of the *Old Scotch Collegians Football Club* for four years from 1987 – 1990, Vice President in 1992 and currently is Chairman of the Match Committee from 2009 until now. During his term as President, he was an Under 19 premierships President in 1989.

Our annual award to a club member for “Distinguished Service” to our Club is named after Bryan Gibbs.

Bryan also served from 1974 – 1977 as OSCFC Delegate to the VAFA. Later, he joined the VAFA Executive Committee from 1980 – 1982 and acted as VAFA Under 18 Team co-ordinator from 1981 – 1983. He was awarded a VAFA Certificate of Merit in 1992.

Bryan is the father of OSCFC player and fellow Life Member Stuart Gibbs (1989 – 2000). He continues today to act as a match-day statistician.

**D. J. David Kidd (“Kiddo”)**

David Kidd was an *Old Scotch Boy* recruited from Ararat FC in 1957. He played 86 games for the *Old Scotch Collegians Football Club* from 1957 – 1960 & 1962 – 1963.

After retiring from playing, David coached our Juniors for four years from 1964 – 1967. He then coached our Reserves in 1968, before going on to coach the *Old Scotch Collegians Football Club* for four years from 1969 – 1972. During that time, he coached the “B” section premierships team in 1970. He was awarded a Life Member of the Club in 1973. He died in 1992.

He is the brother of OSCFC player Geoff Kidd (1965 - 1966) and club secretary (1966).

Next week we will look at the Life Members from the early 1960s ...

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