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THIS will be the third inter-provincial tournament, and although it is not played over the usual festive season it should still prove a very interesting one. I am sure every endeavour will be made by the provinces to send their best players to participate in the tournament and spectators can therefore be assured of witnessing some keen and closely contested matches especially as every province will be keen to take back the coveted trophy to their headquarters.

Natal, as the host, will leave no stone unturned to make the players' short stay in Durban as happy and enjoyable as possible. Durbanites are noted for their hospitality and visiting players may be tempted to pay more attention to the social activities than their cricketing duties — so managers be on the alert !

It is my earnest hope that at the end of the tournament new budding Basil D'Oliveira's, Rubidge's, Taliep Salie's, and Sakkie Abrahams's will have been discovered. Several of our lads have the natural ability to play this glorious game very well and given the opportunity and encouragement to improve will become as great players as can be found anywhere in our country.

May our players play bright, entertaining cricket so that spectators may go away satisfied and convinced that our cricket has a successful future.

J. S. VAN HARTE

President, South African Cricket Board of Control

South African Cricket Board of Control Officials : President, J. S. van Harte; Vice-Chairman, S. G. M. Booley; Hon. Treasurer, J. Carelse; Hon. Secretary, H. Howa.
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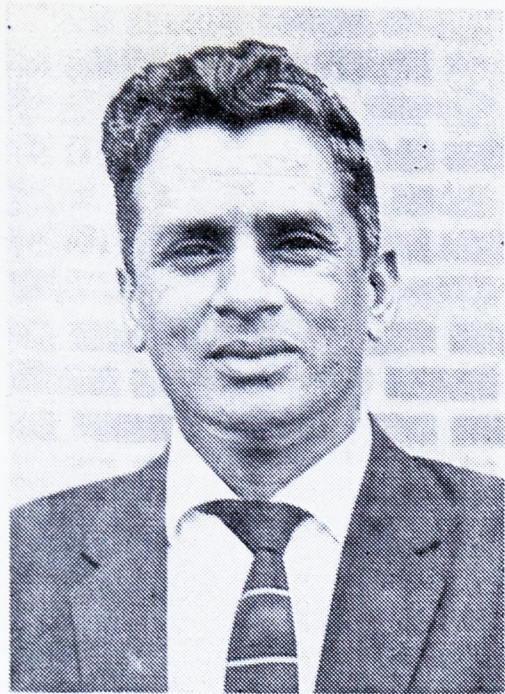


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THE third inter-provincial Tournament under the aegis of the South African Cricket Board of Control is to be played for the first time in the Garden Province of Natal. Although the Tourney itself will last for only 10 days, it is certain that it will leave an indelible impression in the minds of all sports loving people in this province for years to come.

I am happy to extend my cordial good wishes to all the participating teams and wish them a successful tournament.

Natal is renowned for the warmth of its hospitality and weather and it is hoped that participants will enjoy both to its fullest. The Natal Cricket Board of Control, with the assistance of its units, has planned a wide range of social events and may I urge on all players and officials to take full advantage of them.

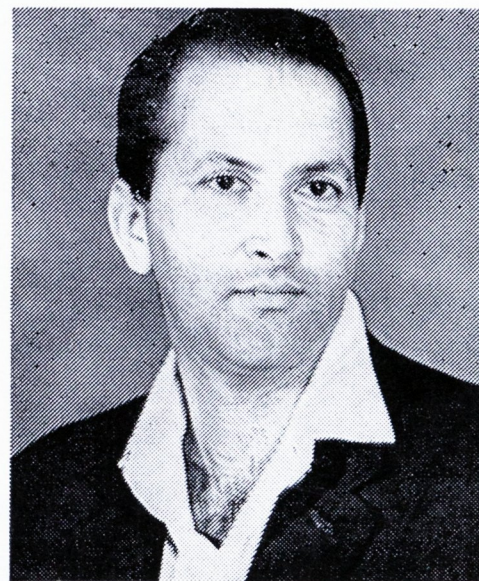
In wishing the players the very best of luck, I also hope that the games will be good and well fought and that good sportsmanship, as usual, will prevail and that the best team will deservedly win.

S. K. NAIDOO

President, Natal Cricket Board of Control.

Message from our own

BASIL D'OLIVEIRA



IT is a great privilege and pleasure for me to be asked to send this message from 6,000 miles for your Cricket Brochure. It is nice to know that our hard working Officials are still organising these Tournaments for our cricketers. I only hope the future will see more of our players having a try overseas. Believe me it is well worth it. Meanwhile may I wish all the players a most successful and enjoyable Tournament. Plenty of wickets, runs and catches. Play hard, lose well, and may the best team win.

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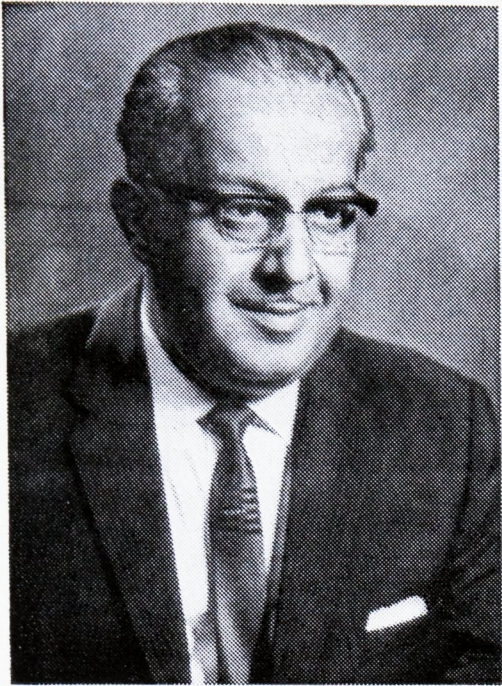
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Welcome and Goodwill

IT is indeed a joyful task for me, on behalf of table tennisites throughout South Africa to send this message of welcome and goodwill to the officials and players participating in the South African Inter-Provincial Cricket Tournament.

Being personally acquainted with a number of the players participating in the Tournament, I am certain that the people of Natal will be privileged to witness some of the best cricketers in the Republic display their abilities. What a pity that such talent should be denied its rightful recognition! Despite this however, I hope that there will be many thrilling moments during the Tournament and that all the players, not only those with big scores but even those with modest "noughts", will contribute to the success of the Tournament.

Natal has an excellent reputation for its hospitality and I have no doubt that the visitors will take away many happy memories of their stay here.

May the Tournament be an unqualified success and most important, may it engender goodwill, friendship and sportsmanship which are so necessary today.

C. M. BASSA

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N. S. MIDDLETON

*President, S. A. Soccer Federation
and
Northern Natal Soccer Board.*

IT is with great pleasure, that I extend on behalf of the S.A. Soccer Federation and the Northern Natal Soccer Board, my heartiest congratulations to your Board of Control (Cricket) for organising this South African Inter-Provincial Tournament in Durban.

I believe that your Board of Control has similar aims and aspirations as those of the S.A. Soccer Federation. For this reason, I am more than convinced that integration in all our sport has come to stay and is in fact a must. Your Board may justly be proud of its achievements to date. It must have been only due to collective efforts, goodwill and altruism that this tournament was organised.

I extend my very best wishes for a successful tournament, and I trust that the visiting players will enjoy their stay in Durban and take back with them, many happy memories of the occasion.



Time and Energy Well Spent

VASI NAIR

President, S.A. Senior Schools' Sports Association.

THE South African Senior Schools' Sports Association will follow with interest the South African Inter-Provincial Cricket Tournament. One of the reasons is that more than half the players selected to represent Natal have taken part in Inter-High School competitions. I am sure that other participating centres will also include players who have been "blooded" in the stern battlegrounds of High School cricket matches.

A little more than a year ago the first South African Schools' Cricket Tournament was held in Durban. The second such competition is scheduled to take place in Johannesburg in the next cricket season. Administrators of school sport feel that their time and energy is well spent if they know that the sportsmen they have nurtured and encouraged are given the opportunity of continuing their interest in sport after they leave school. This is yet another reason why SASSSA has pleasure in sending its greetings and good wishes to this tournament.

ENTERTAINMENT

5th APRIL

WELCOME RECEPTION:

Dance-Braaivleis sponsored by Durban District Cricket Union at Himalaya Hotel.

7th APRIL

Guests Avalon Theatre

8th APRIL

PICNIC AT TINLEY MANOR BEACH:

Sponsored by Stanger, Tongaat and Verulam Unions

12th APRIL

CIVIC RECEPTION:

Dinner in Durban City Hall Basement.

13th APRIL

Farewell Reception at Admiral Hotel by Natal Cricket Board of Control.

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FIXTURES

4th APRIL

Official Opening under floodlights at Curries Fountain

5th and 6th APRIL

Western Province	vs	Griqualand West	Springfield
Transvaal	vs	Natal	Curries Fountain

7th and 9th APRIL

Transvaal	vs	Griqualand West	Curries Fountain
Natal	vs	Western Province	Springfield

10th and 11th APRIL

Transvaal	vs	Western Province	Curries Fountain
Griqualand West	vs	Natal	Springfield

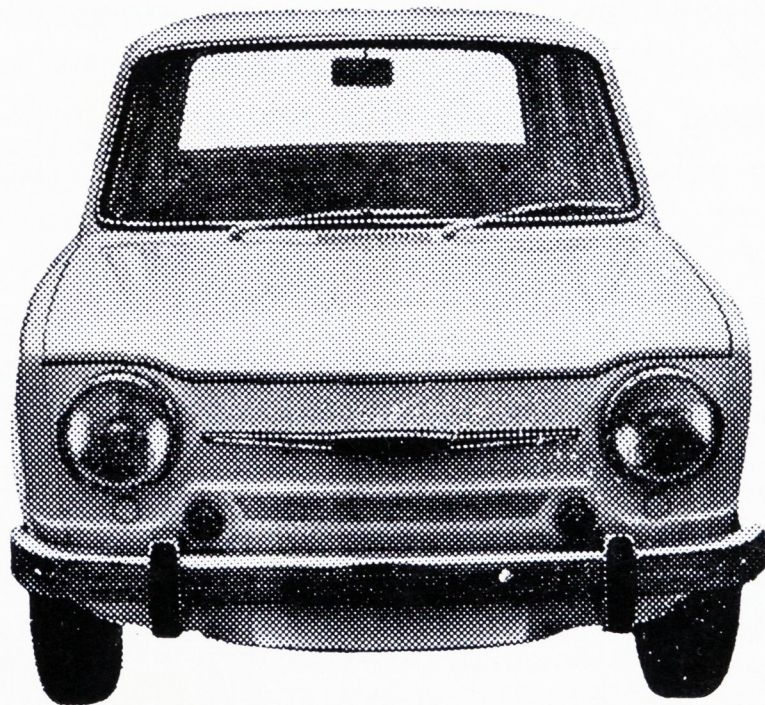
12th and 13th APRIL

President's XI	vs	The Rest	Curries Fountain
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Sincere Good Wishes . . .

MR. E. I. HAFFEJEE

Chairman, South African Soccer League.

IT is my honoured privilege to associate myself with the mammoth national Inter-Provincial Cricket Tournament which is being staged in Durban after the lapse of nearly eighteen years. It is indeed a long period for a particular centre to be deprived of a national tournament, and now that it is being staged here in Durban, it affords me great pleasure to welcome the cricketers and sportsmen in general to this fair City of ours.

The cricket-loving public of Natal and the cricketers themselves are bubbling with enthusiasm to witness the national tourney at their door-step. It is during the course of mass tournaments of this nature, an opportunity makes itself available for the creation and fostering of goodwill, fellowship and sportsmanship. It is happy occasions like these that bring our sportsmen together on a common forum and a great amount of friendship and cordiality is instilled.

This tournament has also aroused tremendous enthusiasm among the participants, and I am confident that the competitions will be keen and a high quality of cricket will be witnessed. Perhaps, this tournament will also serve as a yardstick to unearth more cricketers of international calibre, such as Basil D'Oliveira and Cecil Abrahams.

I know that the Natal Cricket Board of Control who are hosts to the tournament, have put in a lot organisational work to make this tournament a big success. Without any expression of parochialism, I want to compliment them for their splendid piece of work in this regard.

My sincere good wishes are extended to the officials of the South African Cricket Board of Control and may their ideals and objectives be crowned with every success.

To the participants and the visitors, I extend my sincere good wishes, and may they carry back happy recollections of this tournament and their visit to this City.

Good Luck . . .

OUR good wishes goes to you for a very successful tournament. May it strengthen, as it would, the ties of the various provinces taking part. We have tested the hospitality of Durban and we know that those taking part will leave with happy memories and making new friends.

Cricket is a wonderful game and played at its best will be enjoyed by spectators and players alike. At this end we will be watching with interest the outcome of your inter-Provincial Tournament, knowing you will put in your best. So good luck till we meet again.

J. OOSTERWYK

President, South African Amateur Athletic and Cycling Board of Control.

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WESTERN PROVINCE

THE Western Province Cricket Board was established in 1959 with 12 affiliated Unions to cater for cricket in the Cape Peninsula, Paarl, Wellington, Stellenbosch, Somerset West, Somerset Strand, Malmesbury, Caledon and Bredasdorp which is about 120 miles from Cape Town.

The Unions presently affiliated to the Board are:- Western Province Cricket Association; Cape & District Cricket Union; Maitland, Parow Cricket Union; Wynberg District Cricket Union; Metropolitan Cricket Union; Stellenbosch Cricket Union; Paarl Cricket Union; Somerset West Cricket Union; Hottentots Holland Cricket Union; Southern Cape Cricket Union; Wellington Cricket Union.

There are 3,600 registered players actively participating in fixtures.

The Western Province are the holders of the Dadabhoy Brothers Trophy which they won at Port Elizabeth in December, 1963.

A strong team has been selected for the Tournament and it is expected that Western Province will be hard to beat.

TEAM:- 1. S. L. Abed (*Captain*); 2. N. Lakay; 3. S. Conrad; 4. H. Carelse; 5. J. Neethling; 6. D. February; 7. S. D. Abed; 8. G. Williams; 9. R. Alexander; 10. J. Lambert; 11. T. Behardien; 12. A. L. Adams; 13. C. Joshua; 14. L. Martin. *Manager:* Mr. R. Mulder.

TRANSVAAL



H. Cassim (*Captain*); T. Barnes (*Vice-Capt.*); G. Johannisie; M. Dadabhay;
A. D. Kirstein; S. Chotia; A. Bhamjee; M. Saleh; M. A. Moolla; E. Gangat;
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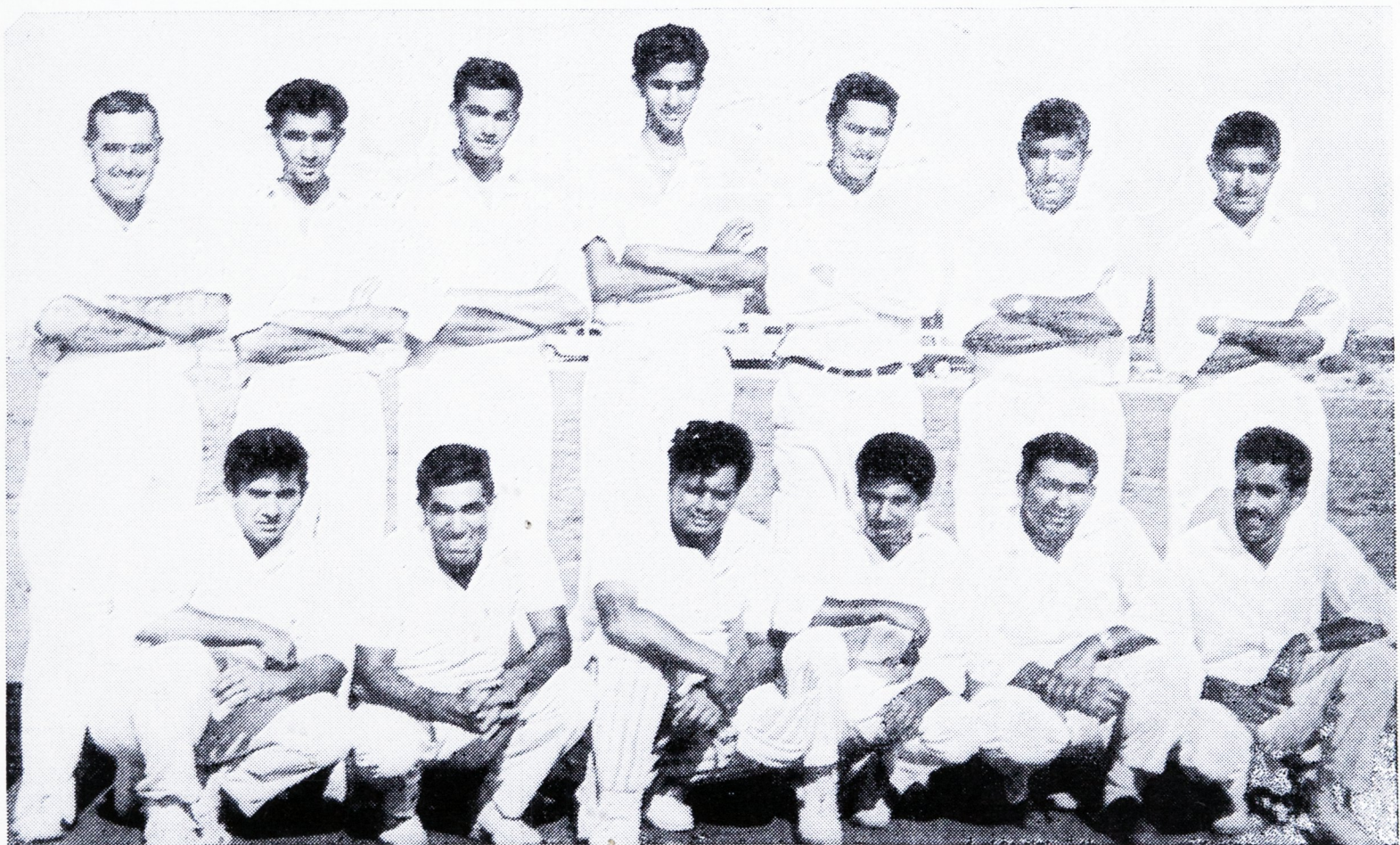
THE Board as presently constituted was founded in 1961, after the four racial (African Indian, Malay and Coloured) bodies decided to disband the G.W. Cricket Federation that was the body controlling cricket in the G. West, as it was felt that time had arrived to scrap all racial sports if progress was to be achieved in the desired manner. Though the Coloured and the African Units first supported the idea of one controlling body, these Units for reasons unknown have not come forward to bring about the Unity envisaged and are at present not affiliated.

Despite these bodies being out of the Board, the body has really progressed since its inception and today provides for organised sport in the area known as Griqualand West, and surely one of the largest in the Republic. Affiliated clubs which come from Kimberley, Vryburg, Schweizer-Reneke, Bloemhof and Warrenton-Christiana weekly travel hundreds of miles to fulfil their fixtures. The Boards' present officials, though they have for the time being lost the services of the great founder-member of the body Mr. A. R. Abass, who more than anyone wants the formation of one single controlling body here, are doing their utmost to have and give the highest grade of cricket to all concerned and annually have arranged friendlies with outside Provinces every season.

The future of the Board looks very healthy indeed, and as all concerned with the Board are ready to negotiate with the non-affiliated units in the area to bring them together and form one controlling unit, which as the S.A. Cricket Board of Control's Special Committee that visited the Province last recommended, for the game's upliftment and reaching the high standard desired, all concerned should dedicate to achieve this at all costs.

Present Officials of the Board being:

President: Mr. B. H. Leendertz; Vice President: Mr. A. R. Abass; Secretary-Treasurer: Mr. E. M. Jinnah; Record Secretary: Mr. A. K. Bhayat; Trustees: Mr. A. A. Hicks and Mr. B. H. Leendertz. Delegates to S.A.C.B.C.: Ms. Leendertz, Abass, Jinnah and Richards.



Standing left to right:- A. K. Bhayat; Solly Saloojee; A. Patel (Capt.); Aziz Saloojee; Kenny Johnson; O. Ghoor (V/Capt.); Ali Ghoor.

Sitting left to right:- A. Moolah; A. K. Saloojee; I. Cajee; G. Peerbhay; R. Cassim and Y. Bhayat.

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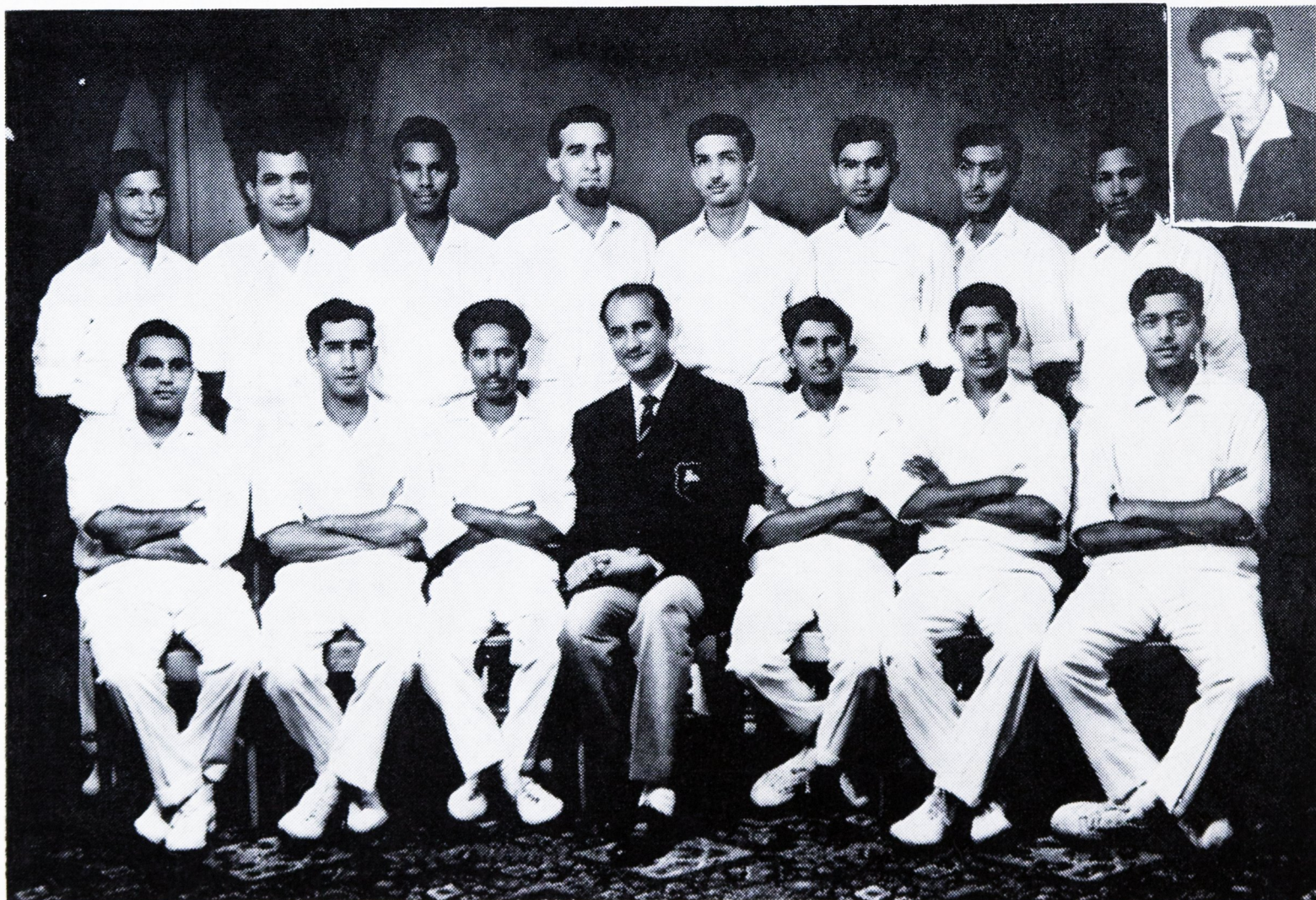
THE Natal Cricket Board of Control, as presently composed, was established on 15th October 1961 at a Conference of District Cricket Unions in Natal following the directive of the South African Cricket Board of Control to all the racial National Units to disband themselves and for the district Unions to band themselves under a provincial Union on a non-racial basis.

Previously, the body had been known as the Natal Inter-Race Cricket Board and while outwardly, the change may appear to have been only a change of name, it in fact ushered in a new spirit in Natal Cricket. There have, of course, been difficulties but it is pleasing to record that steady progress has been made in the last five years.

Natal participated in the two previous inter-provincial Tournaments and is the host for the current Tournament. At the first Tournament in Johannesburg, the Natal team upset all preconceived ideas when it defeated the favourites Western Province and lost to the Transvaal after having led on the first innings. They were thus deprived of winning the coveted Dadabhoy Trophy by one point. Natal's participation in the second Tournament in Port Elizabeth was not so successful and the team was placed fourth.

At present the Natal Cricket Board of Control has under its jurisdiction 11 district Unions with 99 clubs and 1599 players. It is pleasing to record that the Northern Districts and the Pietermaritzburg Unions have joined Natal this season. The Board conducts an inter-district competition, a knock-out competition for the winning team in each district and this season a new competition in which a selected number of the top clubs in Natal participate on the league and knock-out basis has been introduced. It has created tremendous interest both among the players and the public.

The staging of the Tournament here is bound to capture the interest of the players and spectators and must inevitably lead to all round improvement.



Standing: H. Lakay, P. Balkissoon, D. Naidoo, I. A. Timol, O. I. Vawda, J. Govender, I. M. Ebrahim, M. Patrick.

Sitting: A. Cassimjee, D. Asmal, T. Parsuramen, (*Captain*), G. N. Singh, (*Manager*), H. Samuels (*Vice-Captain*), P. Thopplan, M. G. H. Randeree. *Inset: E. I. Laher.*

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