



Major Hubert Melville Jay AAMC (Reserve)



Played with Adelaide University



Cricket Club: 1908/09 A Grade
(Member of First SACA A-Grade Team on October 3rd, 1908)
Other Sports: Athletics & Lacrosse

MB BS (1908)

Background

Coinciding with the Centenary of Anzacs our incentive behind the series of biographical publications is the Adelaide University Football and Cricket Club's desire to honour our players who served in the Great War (1914 - 1918). These brave men put on hold their academic, professional and sporting careers for King and Country in the name of peace and freedom. The AUFC/AUCC WW1 Memorial Committee is endeavouring to identify every one of our players who served and prepare life stories on all. This is to ensure their sacrifices and further contributions to society will be recognised by future generations.

On Anzac Day 2015, the Centenary of the Gallipoli landing, a memorial plaque was unveiled on the Adelaide University Oval Pavilion and this was followed by the erection of a picket fence between the pavilion and the scoreboard with each picket bearing a plaque with the name of an AUFC/AUCC player who served.

The following documentation relates to the life of Hubert Melville Jay who in 1908 was a founding member of the Adelaide University Cricket Club. It is compilation of information and photographs collected from a variety of historical sources.

(Those men who enlisted, but were required to serve in important capacities at home and did not serve overseas, are still included in the list of AUFC & AUCC players recognised as serving their Country)

Early Life and Education

Hubert Melville Jay was born at North Adelaide on January 3rd, 1886. His parents were Melville Richard Hindmarsh Jay and Clarissa Eveline (née Bowman). Their residence was at Buxton Street North Adelaide. Both his Father and Grandfather, Richard Gardiner Jay (an early colonist), were members of the medical profession.

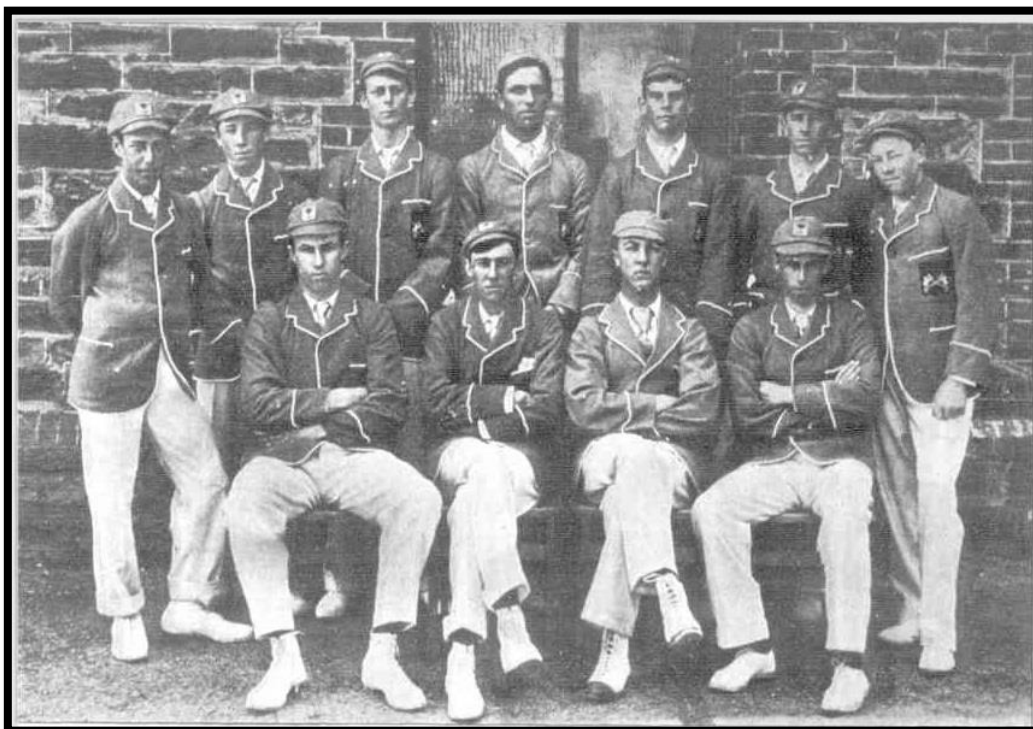
Early Schooling was at Queens School, North Adelaide where he sat for his Junior Public Examinations in 1899 and 1900. He played in the Queen's School Cricket team against the other colleges.



Queen's School Boys at Cricket (c1900). Although players in the photograph are not named Hubert Jay is likely to be in this photo. (State Library of SA)

As was common in this era, parents then sent their sons to St Peter's College (SPSC) to complete their Senior Public Examinations and Higher Certificate. Hubert attended from 1901 until 1903 completing the Adelaide University Senior Public Examinations and passed enough subjects to qualify for entry into medicine and follow in the footsteps of his father and grandfather. At Saints he showed great sporting ability and first played in the 1st XI cricket team, including the intercollegiate cricket match against Prince Alfred College (PAC) in 1902. Unfortunately, PAC were too strong and SPSC were soundly beaten. Hubert bowled well taking 3 wickets and made 32 runs and a duck batting.

1902 St Peter's College Intercollegiate Cricket Team



H.M Jay (Standing 2nd from right)

Register (Adelaide, SA : 1901 - 1929), Thursday 18 December 1902, page 3

COLLEGE CRICKET. ST. PETER'S V. PRINCE ALFRED. EASY WIN FOR THE REDS. [By Recorder.]

ST. PETER'S COLLEGE. First Innings.

D. C. Campbell, c. Bowen, b. Jeffries	8
W. R. Reynell, c. Homburg, b. Christoph ..	3
A. B. Fotheringham, c. Christoph, b. Jeffries ..	2
W. G. Duncan, b. Christoph	12
W. McFie, b. Hill	7
W. H. Stevenson, c. Hill, b. Christoph ..	80
W. H. Bakewell, l.b.w., b. Hill	0
D. L. Smith, c. Steele, b. Jeffries	27
H. M. Jay, c. Hill, b. Cowan	32
G. T. Harvey, b. Christoph	0
L. G. Toms, not out	2
Byes 3, leg byes 2, wide 1	6

Total 179

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Christoph	22.2	11	38	4
Jeffries	16	3	61	3
Hill	5	1	12	2
Townsend	2	—	10	—
Steele	2	—	17	—
Bowen	3	—	15	—
Cowan	4	—	20	1

Second Innings.

G. C. Campbell, run out	21
W. R. Reynell, l.b.w., b. Hill	25
W. H. Stevenson, b. Hill	4
W. McFie, c. Holland, b. Hill	19
W. G. Duncan, c. Townsend, b. Hill	22
A. B. Fotheringham, c. Drew, b. Christoph ..	6
G. L. Smith, c. Townsend, b. Christoph ..	1
E. K. Bakewell, c. Townsend, b. Christoph ..	2
H. M. Jay, c. Townsend, b. Christoph	0
L. G. Toms, not out	10
G. T. Harvey, b. Christoph	0
Byes 2, leg byes 3	5

Total 115

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Christoph	30.3	14	38	5
Jeffries	10	3	21	—
Hill	26	10	25	4
Townsend	5	2	10	—

PRINCE ALFRED COLLEGE.

First Innings.

W. A. V. Drew, b. Bakewell	31
H. C. Bowen, b. Bakewell	29
J. Homburg, b. Jay	62
S. Hill, run out	90
H. G. Darling, b. Bakewell	47
W. Christoph, b. Jay	0
D. R. Cowan, b. Jay	0
B. Townsend, c. Stevenson, b. Bakewell ..	20
W. C. Holland, b. Toms	21
A. T. Jeffries, b. Toms	0
D. Steele, not out	0
Bye 1, leg byes 8	9

Total 315

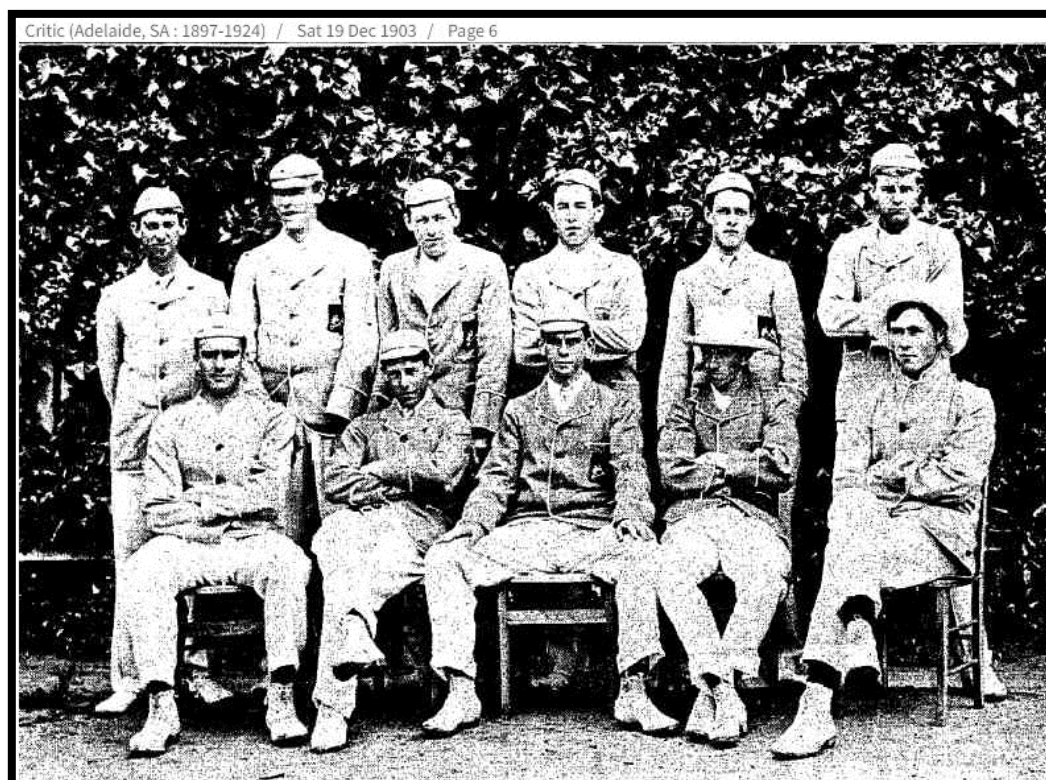
Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Toms	23	4	66	2
Bakewell	34.1	2	138	4
Stevenson	12	1	51	—
Jay	12	1	39	3
Campbell	4	—	15	—

Umpires—Messrs. T. A. Reeves and G. A. Watson.

Played, 26. St. Peter's, 14; Prince Alfred, 13; drawn, 2.

In the 1903 Intercollegiate match Saints again lost to PAC. Hubert, like most of his team-mates failed with the bat, but again bowled well. He headed both the batting and bowling performances for the school in 1903.



H.M Jay (Seated 2nd from right)

Express and Telegraph (Adelaide, SA : 1867 - 1922), Monday 14 December 1903.

St. Peter's Versus Prince Alfred. Victory for the Princes.

ST. PETER'S COLLEGE.				
W. H. Stevenson, c. Strickland, b. Dolling .. .	4			
H. M. Jay, b. Dolling .. .	9			
W. G. Duncan, b. Strickland .. .	38			
J. A. Yuill, l.b.w., b. Dolling .. .	3			
C. Mackenzie, b. Townsend .. .	0			
F. J. Buttfield, c. W. Drew, b. Townsend .. .	0			
K. A. Duncan, c. Townsend, b. Strickland .. .	4			
G. S. Reinecke, b. Rounsevell .. .	5			
W. R. Chambers, run out .. .	8			
R. Moffatt, b. Strickland .. .	1			
W. H. Job, not out .. .	3			
Sundries .. .	5			
Total .. .	80			

Bowling.				
	O.	M.	W.	R.
R. B. Townsend .. .	9	2	2	16
C. E. Dolling .. .	8	2	3	29
A. A. Strickland .. .	8	1	3	15
R. Rounsevell .. .	7	1	1	15

Second Innings.				
H. M. Jay, c. Townsend, b. Dolling .. .	1			
W. R. Chambers, c. W. Drew, b. Townsend .. .	2			
F. J. Buttfield, b. Townsend .. .	0			
H. Stevenson, l.b.w., b. Townsend .. .	2			
W. G. Duncan, c. Kennett, b. Dolling .. .	31			
J. A. Yuill, stpd. V. Drew, b. Dolling .. .	40			
C. H. Mackenzie, c. C. Drew, b. Dolling .. .	0			
K. A. Duncan, b. Townsend .. .	9			
G. S. Reinecke, c. Kennett, b. Townsend .. .	2			
W. H. Job, c. and b. Townsend .. .	10			
R. J. B. Moffat, n.o. .. .	2			
Sundries .. .	11			
Total .. .	107			

Bowling.
Townsend, six for 31.
Dolling, four for 25.
Rounsevell, none for 11.
Kennett, none for 19.
Strickland, none for 10.
Prince Alfreds won by an innings and 18 runs.

PRINCE ALFRED COLLEGE.				
H. G. Darling, c. Stevenson, b. Buttfield .. .	28			
C. E. Dolling, c. Jay, b. Yuill .. .	9			
W. A. V. Drew, b. Stevenson .. .	2			
M. D. C. Paton, b. Jay .. .	44			
R. B. Townsend, c. W. G. Duncan, b. Buttfield .. .	4			
A. A. Strickland, st. Duncan, b. Yuill .. .	57			
W. H. Lang, b. Jay .. .	0			
R. Rounsevell, st. Moffatt, b. Yuill .. .	10			
W. Kennett, st. Duncan, b. Yuill .. .	0			
A. T. Jefferis, not out .. .	35			
C. Drew, c. W. G. Duncan, b. Buttfield .. .	2			
Total .. .	200			

Bowling.				
	O.	M.	W.	R.
J. A. Yuill .. .	27	5	4	84
W. H. Stevenson .. .	13	2	1	34
H. M. Jay .. .	16	6	2	42
F. J. Buttfield .. .	7.1	—	2	22
W. G. Duncan .. .	3	—	—	16

The same year (1903) he won the College Cup at the school's athletics carnival held on Adelaide Oval, narrowly defeating W.L. Strachan 13 points to 11.

Evening Journal (Adelaide, SA : 1869 - 1912)

Mon 28 Sep 1903 / Page 2

College Cup, 100 Yards Flat.—First Event—H. M. Jay (10 yds.), H. M. Muirhead (11), and W. C. Strachan (11). Time, 10 2-6s. Second Event—H. M. Muirhead, H. M. Jay, and W. C. Duncan. Time 20 1-6s. Third Event—H. M. Jay, H. M. Muirhead, and W. L. Strachan. Jay, 13 points; Muirhead, 11; Strachan, 4; and Duncan, 2.

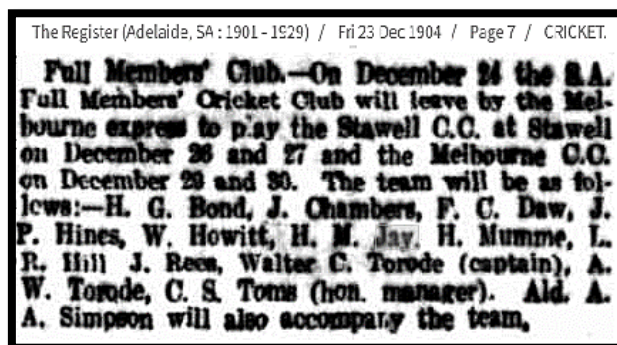
Critic (Adelaide, SA : 1897-1924) / Sat 3 Oct 1903 / Page 5 / ST. PETER'S COLLEGE SPORTS AT ADELAIDE OVAL.



3. Top row: L. C. Lewis, hon. sec. of the committee. H. M. Muirhead, second in the College Cup, W. G. Duncan. Bottom row: C. N. McKenzie, H. M. Jay, winner of the College Cup, G. C. Campbell.

In 1904, at the time of commencing his medical studies, the University did not have an established cricket team. The fine young all-rounder from Saint Peter's College had been already recognised as a talented player by the North Adelaide SACA Electorate cricket club (for whom he was residentially bound) and had been selected for a single match in their A grade team at the end of the 1902/03 season. After leaving St Peter's College he naturally continued his cricket with them until the end of the 1907/8 season.

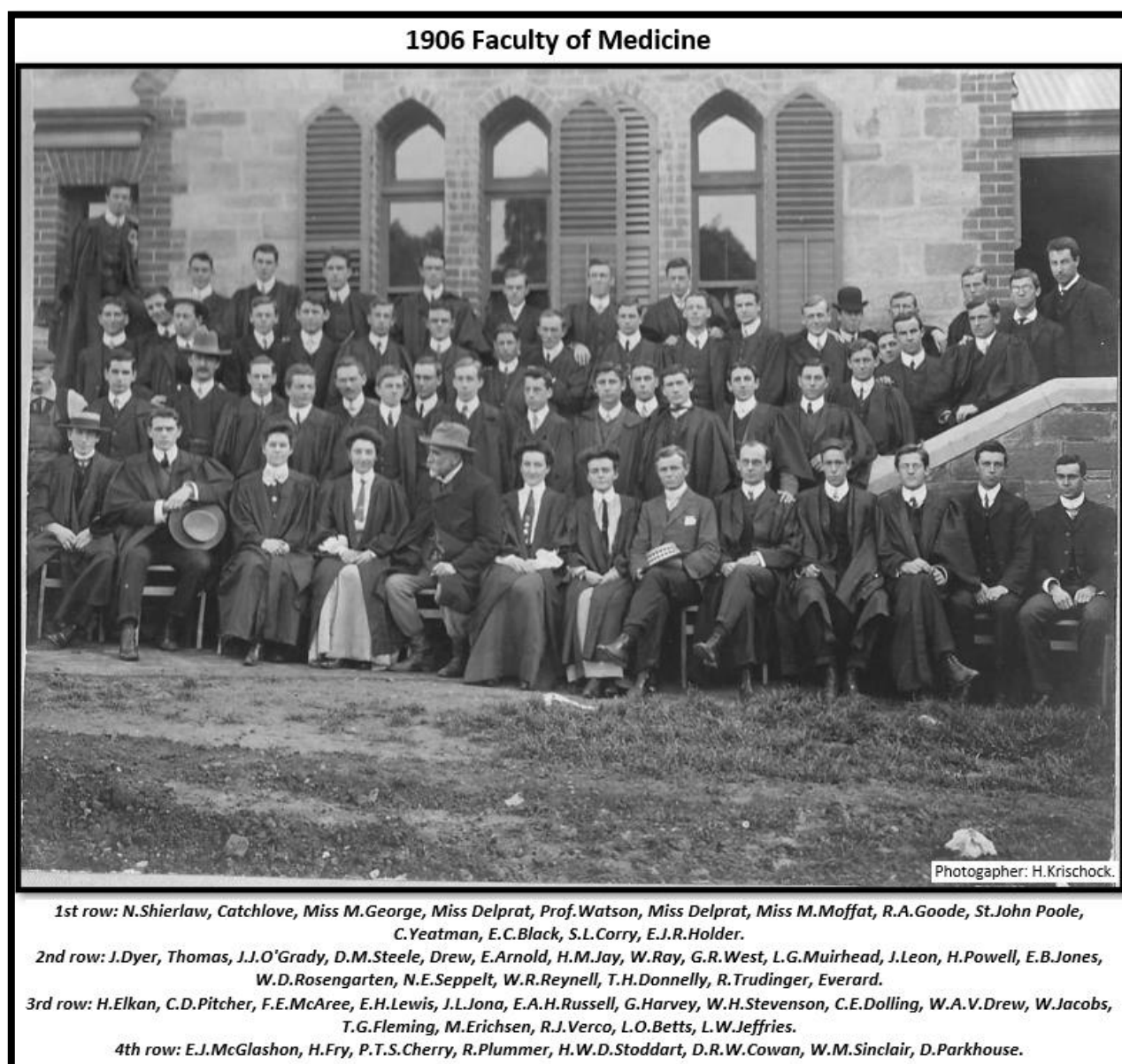
At the end of 1904, while Electorate matches were in recess, Hubert travelled to Victoria with the "Full Members' Cricket Club" (a SACA Members group) to play matches against the Stawell C and Melbourne Cricket Club.



Hubert was also a keen golfer, playing at the Adelaide Golf Club. Later becoming the Royal Adelaide Golf Club his father also played there as would many future generations of the Jay family.

Adelaide University

Hubert enrolled in medicine at Adelaide University in 1904. His medical studies progressed well, and he was awarded his M.B. B.S. at the end of 1908.



Adelaide University Sport

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The Adelaide University Cricket Club had become a member of the AU Sports Association in 1907 and in the 1908/09 season was finally admitted to the SACA A Grade District competition. The proposal for the Club to have a team in the highest level first came in 1897 but the other clubs were always hesitant to accept this as they would lose some of their better young players. Although nearing the end of his medical course, Hubert as an already established player and SACA full member, was very supportive of the AUCC's inclusion. At a specially convened meeting (just before the SACA Annual General Meeting) in September 1908 the Cricket Committee was to consider the admission of two new clubs: Glenelg and University. There was no problem with the admission of the seaside-team, but controversy raged about including the student side. At the meeting, numerous speakers put up their point of views and it was Hubert Jay that made a most rational and convincing argument.

Advertiser (Adelaide, SA : 1889 - 1931),
Thursday 17 September 1908, page 9

CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

TWO NEW CLUBS ADMITTED.

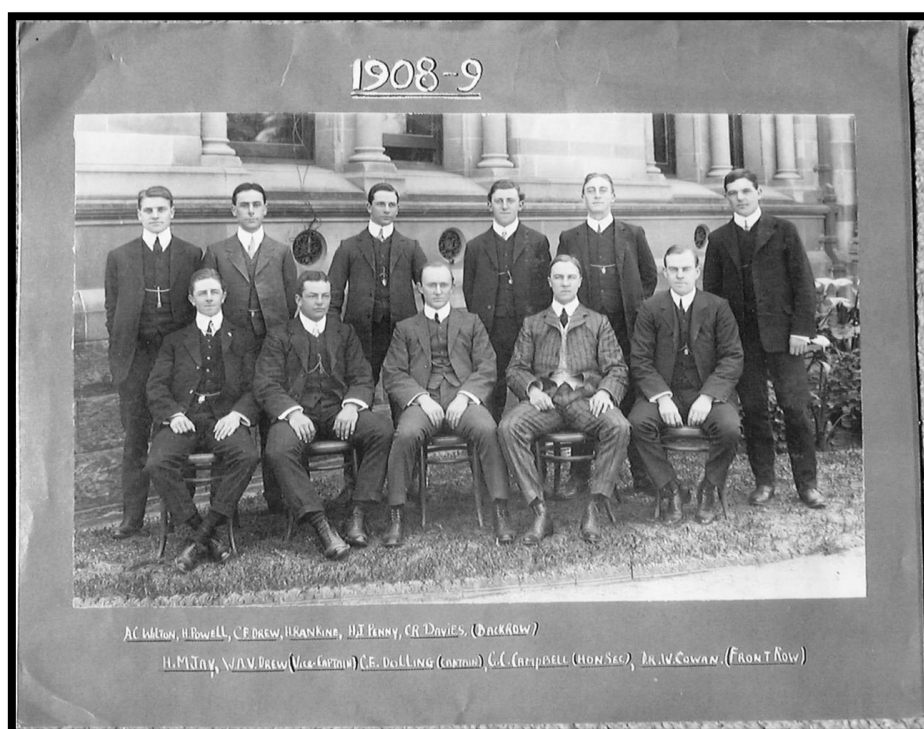
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The President said he had no desire to debate the matter, but the suggestion of the cricket committee should carry some weight. The meeting had been convened for the purpose of determining the question. (Mr. Claxton—"Certainly.")

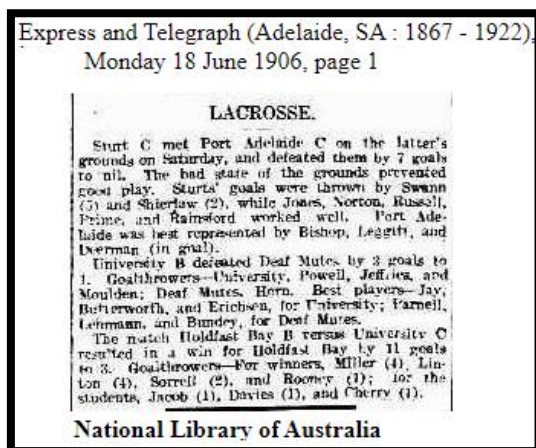
Mr. H. M. Jay said that as the Cricket Association claimed to be fostering the best interests of the game the University should be admitted to A grade matches, as it was essentially a recruiting ground for young players. When promising young men went to the University they had to play with outside clubs, and did not have the opportunity of improving themselves by playing with the superior clubs. There were between 300 and 400 players at the University to choose from.

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Hubert was only able to play a few A Grade games for the AUCC before embarking on his professional career. He had been an important proponent for the Club's formation and admission and was a member of the first Adelaide University Cricket Club side that took the field on the 3rd of October 1908 against the other new club, Glenelg at Glenelg Oval.

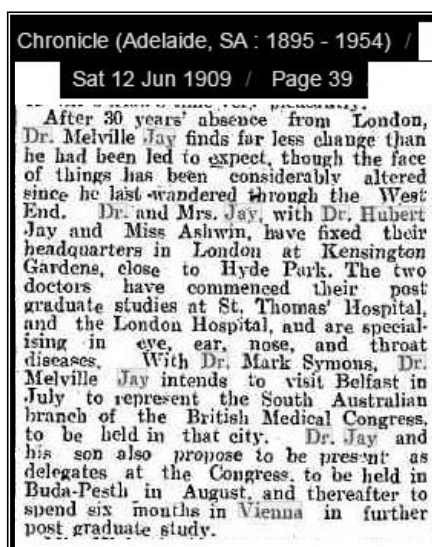


Hubert also participated in university athletics as a participant and official during his student years. He also kept fit during the winter months playing Lacrosse.



Embarking on a Professional Career and Service in World War 1

Soon after graduation Hubert travelled to London and the Continent to pursue post graduate studies in the eye, ear, nose, and throat specialties.



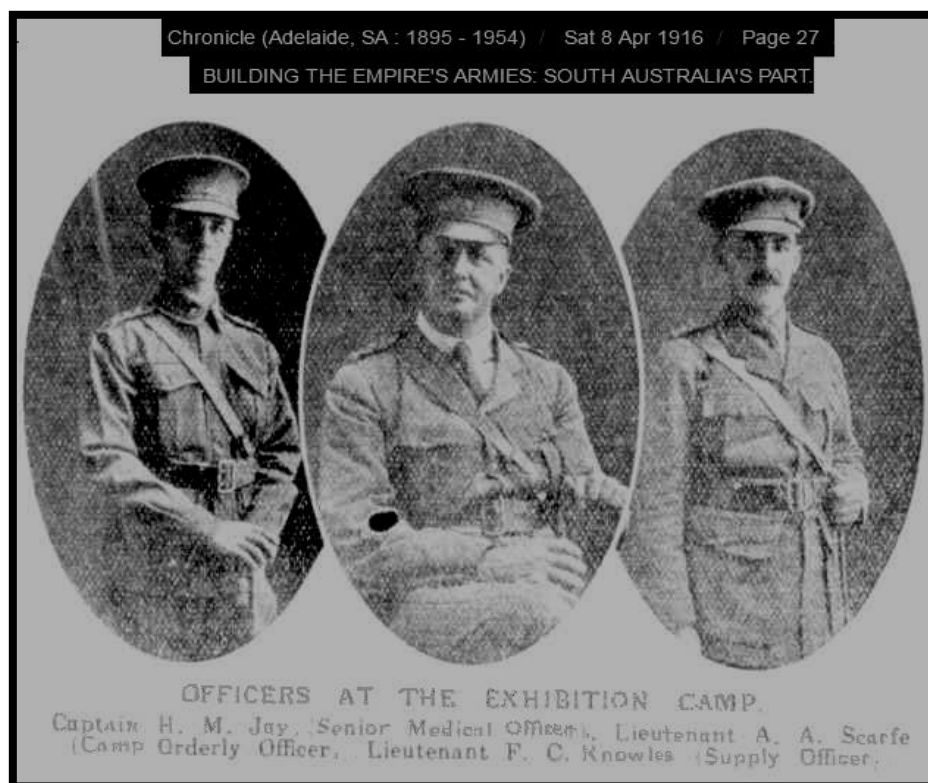
Later on, returning to Adelaide after his specialist studies in London and Vienna he married Dorothea von Doussa daughter of Alfred von Doussa¹ of Hahndorf in November 1914. With the outbreak of war and Australia's commitment to the Empire, family life would be affected for the next four years. Fortunately, Hubert would be required to serve as a medical officer on the home front. There had been a relative shortage of doctors in South Australia at the time, a result of the Adelaide "Hospital Row" (1896 - 1902) when clinical training was suspended because of a dispute between medical consultants and the hospital board over a nursing appointment.

Service in World War 1

In September 1915 Hubert Melville Jay was appointed under State Commandant District Orders published in the Australian Government Gazette to the Australian Army Medical Corps Reserve with the rank of Captain. He was appointed to the position of Senior Medical Officer at the Exhibition Camp which was

¹ Founder of the Oakbank Racing Club and its Secretary for 55 Years. The annual Von Doussa Steeplechase is named in his honour

located near Jubilee Oval behind the North Terrace Exhibition Building. The location today would be between the Barr Smith Library and Frome Road on the Adelaide University Campus. His main role initially would be conducting the medical examinations of new recruits.



A.A.M.C. Exhibition A.I.F. Camp
 DECEMBER, 1916



G. L. Marchant, Photo

Eye Randle St, lower Stevens, Chemist

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Capt. H. M. Jay (Seated Centre)

Group photo of the A.A.M.C. Exhibition A.I.F. Camp., December 1916.

Back row (from left) D.L. Heading, A.V. Gray, J. Butler, W.H. Bennett, E. Wall, H.C. Waterhouse, H.V. Poole, F.B.E. Dobson, R.G. Sheppard.

Third row (from left) E.E. Heath, W.I. Hearn, A.H. Virgint, E.J. Menecke, E.A. Poole, H.O. Hogg, E.C. Bruce, H.W. Wills, N.H. Oldfield, A.W. Gordon.

Second row (from left) Corp. J.F. Moore, Sergt A. Cummins, Sergt A. Hammond, Capt R.G. Frayne MO, Capt H.M. Jay SMO, SSM T. Banner, OMS

A.S. Cocks, SS H. Pritchard, Capt H.F. G. Fromm, F.G. Hubbard, P. Scragg.

Front row (from left) H.H. McCarthy, L.H. Redding, C.H. Mares, J. Hoyer, O.C. Henstridge, W.R.H. Skinner. Photo by G.L. Marchant.

In 1917 he was promoted to the rank of Major and was appointed as Secretary and Registrar of the No. 7 Australian General Hospital at Keswick where servicemen who were repatriated back to Australia with war injuries and illness could be cared for.



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No 7. Australian General Hospital Keswick

Service in World War 2

In the Second World War at the age of 53, he enlisted and served in the Australian Army Medical Corps (1939 - 1948).



The screenshot shows the RSL Virtual War Memorial website. At the top is the RSL logo and the title 'RSL VIRTUAL WAR MEMORIAL' with a search bar. Below is a navigation menu with links: Home, Explore, Community, Education, Gallery, Research, Donors, and About. The profile for 'Hubert Melville (Budge) JAY' is displayed, with an 'Update Details' button. On the left is a portrait of a man in a military uniform. To the right of the portrait is a 'Make a Dedication' button. Further right is a detailed profile for 'JAY, Hubert Melville' with tabs for 'Personal Details', 'Service History', and 'Personal Stories'. The 'Personal Details' tab is active, showing the following information: Service Number: S100009, Enlisted: 29 October 1940, Wayville, SA, Last Rank: Captain, Last Unit: Not yet discovered, Born: Adelaide, South Australia, 3 January 1886, Home Town: Burnside, South Australia, Schooling: St Peters College, Occupation: Medical Practitioner/Oculist, Died: 27 November 1963, aged 77 years, cause of death not yet discovered, place of death not yet discovered, Cemetery: Not yet discovered, and Memorials: . There is a 'Report' link and a 'Show Relationships' button at the bottom right of the profile.

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Hubert Melville Jay's career and interests are concisely summarised on the following page in the publication "*Who's Who*" - 1936

HUBERT MELVILLE JAY, M.B., B.S. Private Address: "Barton Croft," Burnside. Business Address: 175 North Terrace, Adelaide. Sports: Athletics at School; Lacrosse at University; Golf, Tennis, Cricket, Field Shooting, Motor Boating. Club: Adelaide Club.

Hubert Melville Jay, M.B., B.S. (Adel.), F.R.A.C.S. Born North Adelaide, January 3rd, 1886. Only son late Melville R. H. Jay. Educated Queen's School, St. Peter's College, Adelaide, Adelaide University. Post Graduate work, London and Vienna. Member of B.M.A., and Secretary of Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Section; Foundation Fellow of Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, and Secretary for South Australia; Hon. Aural Surgeon Adelaide Hospital, 1920 to ; Lecturer in Aural Surgery, Adelaide University, 1935 to ; Lecturer to Nurses' Registration Board; Ophthalmic and Aural Surgeon to Repatriation Department; Ophthalmic and Aural Surgeon to Home for Incurables; President Section of Otorhinolaryngology, 4th Australasian Medical Congress, Hobart; Captain A.A.M.C., 1915-1917; Major A.A.M.C. 1917-1918. whilst Secretary and Registrar No. 7 Australian General Hospital; Captain A.A.M.C. Reserve. Married Dorothea von Doussa, daughter of late Alfred von Doussa. 1914. Two sons, three daughters.



Faculty of Medicine 1935

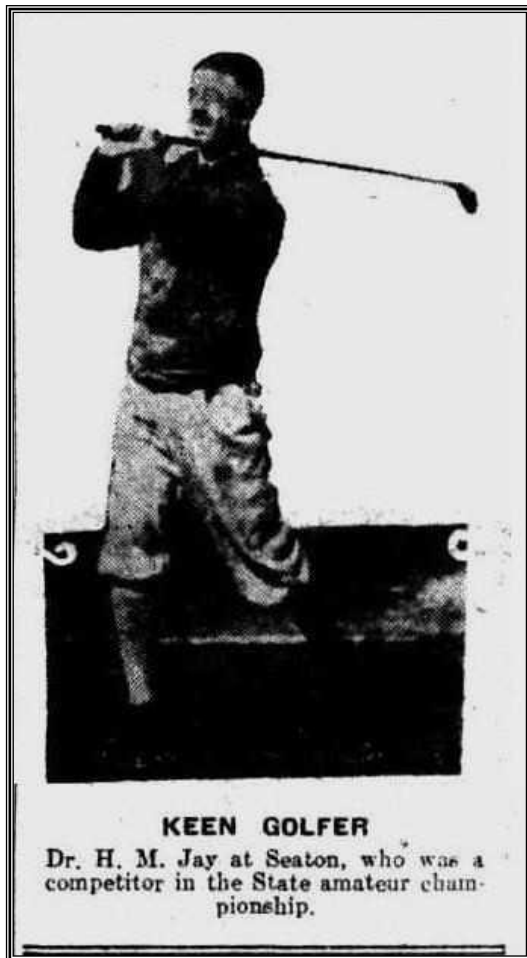
B & w photograph. Front row: H. M. Jay, H. Gilbert, J. Brook Lewis, Helen M. Mayo, Sir Henry Newland, Professor A. Killen Macbeth, Professor T. Harvey Johnston, Professor J. B. Cleland, C. T. Ch. de Crespigny (Dean), Professor H. J. Wilkinson, Professor J. G. Wood, Professor Kerr Grant, R. S. Rogers, A. M. Cudmore, W. Anstey Giles, W. Ray, Edgar Brown, C. S. Mead. Second row: F. J. B. Miller, F. H. Beare, R. T. Binns, H. M. Birch, J. R. S. G. Beard, R. F. Matters, R. E. Magarey, H. C. Nott, E. F. Gartrell, I. B. Jose, W. T. Cooke, A. T. Britten Jones, M. T. Cockburn, A. E. Platt, Mary T. Burnell (nee Angel). Third row: A. E. Shepherd, E. A. Matison, R. A. Laughton, A. L. Dawkins, R. M. Glynn, A. H. Lendon, K. S. Hetzel, P. Santo Messent, F. H. Makin, G. H. Ramsbottom, H. R. Pomroy, A. D. Lamphee, C. O. F. Rieger, W. C. T. Upton, H. E. Pellew, N. S. Gunning, S. R. Burston, I. A. Hamilton. Fourth row: W. Sangster, B. H. Swift, D. L. Barlow, H. M. Fisher, W. A. Pryor, W. J. W. Close, R. N. Reilly, A. J. Hakendorf, E. Couper Black, L. A. Wilson, R. G. Ch. de Crespigny, Laura M. A. Green, J. G. Sleeman, M. L. Mitchell, M. Schneider. Fifth row: G. H. B. Black, L. O. Betts, G. H. Solomon, R. S. Burdon, R. L. T. Grant, B. S. Muecke, E. Angas Johnson, J. Andrews, J. C. Mayo, A. G. Schroeder, A. F. Hobbs.

Royal Adelaide Golf Club

Away from his medical practice Hubert had many sporting interests with golf among them. His father had been Club Captain at the Royal Adelaide Golf Club in 1903 and he no doubt introduced his son to the sport at a young age to begin a lifelong association with the Seaton club. His prowess saw him competing in the State Amateur Championships.

He would become Club President in 1961, a position he held until his death in November 1963. He and Dorothea had five children, two sons and three daughters.

Following the family traditions one of his sons, Peter Gerald Jay (1917 - 1972), also became a doctor (MB. BS. 1941) and would become captain of the Royal Adelaide Golf Club (1966 - 1967).



Hubert's Grandson's Michael and Sandy also would play golf at Royal Adelaide with Michael becoming Club Captain (1912-14). Further, Michael (MB. BS. 1972) followed the specialty of his grandfather becoming an Ear, Nose and Throat Surgeon.

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