

FROM A LAND DOWN UNDER

John Bleazard on being subscriptions secretary

I was subscriptions secretary for 15 years. It was a job that revolved around membership forms and I set up a comprehensive database.

I think we have 850 members in total, with most living locally, except the chap who lives in Australia and comes over once a year in May and June! I think he's a university lecturer in Melbourne but used to live in the village.



Most members come for the cricket but some don't actually come down to watch games that much. The key to doing the job was being organised!

I'd say the cricket club is the focal point of the village, both socially and otherwise. People come to meet and have a drink – and we're obviously a social club as well as a cricket club these days.

I was vice-chairman for six years, which meant I stepped in for the chairman when necessary. I'm a vice-president now and I keep active and will always maintain an interest in things.