## INVITATION



## THE HOWZAT ADELAIDE OVAL ROTARY LUNCHEON FEATURING GUEST SPEAKERS WAYNE PHILLIPS AND HENRY OLONGA

Wednesday 29th November 2017. 12.15pm for 12:45 – 2:00pm Adelaide Oval, Ian McLachlan Room

Come along and hear former test cricketers, Henry Olonga and Wayne Philips preview the upcoming 2nd Ashes test. With both Henry and Wayne's quick wits this is sure to be an entertaining event as they touch on cricket, music and life. Make sure you invite your cricket loving friends as this will be a lunch not to be missed!

## **WAYNE PHILLIPS**

Wayne is a former Australian cricketer, who played in 27 Tests and 48 ODIs from 1982 to 1986 as a batsman and wicket-keeper. He played for South Australia between 1978 and 1991.

He made his first class debut during the 1977-78 season, and over the summer he played three Sheffield Shield matches and a single one-day match as a middle class batsman, with a top score of 22.

Phillips did not play first class cricket again until the 1980-81 season, when he was picked for South Australia's last match of the Sheffield Shield. He made the most of his opportunity, scoring 111 and 91 as an opener against Victoria.

Phillips was picked as opener for the first test against Pakistan during the 1983-84 summer and scored 159 in the first innings. He played for the rest of the series, ending with 362 runs at an average of 60.33, and was selected for the 1984 tour of the West Indies. During the summer he was also picked as wicketkeeper for some one day games for South Australia, which led to further calls for him to play in this position for Australia.

## **HENRY OLONGA**

The first black cricketer and youngest-ever player to represent Zimbabwe at international level, Henry Olonga came back from being called for throwing in a Test in early 1995 and rebuilt his action completely. At full pace he was rated as the fastest bowler in the country but also one of the least accurate, with a tendency to bowl more no-balls and wides than most. He also had difficulties with injury. His ability as a strike bowler was shown in the 1998-99 tour of Pakistan when he ripped through the experienced Pakistan top-order to set up a win in the first Test.

Olonga made his first-class debut at the age of 17 in the Logan Cup for Matabeleland against Mashonaland, taking five wickets. He had mixed fortunes the following season, and it came as a general surprise when he was chosen for the Test team to play Pakistan in 1994-95. He took a wicket in his first over but was also no-balled for throwing. Olonga sought advice from Dennis Lillee, modified his action slightly and the question marks disappeared.

Olonga is a fine role model for young cricketers, one whose cheerfulness, humility and positive attitude win him friends wherever he goes.

The cost is \$40 per person - includes lunch, coffee & tea and a shared cheese platter and support for a combined Adelaide Rotary Clubs Rohingya refugee emergency response project. Drinks are available for purchase at the bar

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