

Pulse

SUCH DEDICATION

"I'd be willing to sweat 365 days in a year for India."
- Indian great Sunil Gavaskar scoffs at suggestions cricketers risk burnout.

on the run



Former Western Bulldogs teammates Paul Dimattina and Geoff Poulter at DiMattina's place yesterday. Picture: MICHAEL KLEIN

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meant much to me. It's been a bloody nuisance, actually, having arguments in pubs with some bloke telling you that, in 1905, so and so was the youngest, or that Timmy Watson was younger.

You were younger than Tim Watson by 18 days.

Do you know I was coach of Dimboola when Tim was playing in the juniors? I remember him when he was seven or eight and he could kick a bloody football 20m and hit you on the chest then. I played with Dimboola for three years, coached for three years and was president for three years, and I was only going there for three years. I left there and went into pubs.

Where are you now?

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CHAN SLIPS SIX BEHIND

CHAN, the Hanoi Fruit Lady, tipped five winners in Round 3 but *Herald Sun* guru Geoff Poulter tipped six and leads our tipping challenge 17-11.

But Chan, who knows nothing about football, could be getting some help this week.

Players from the Hanoi Swans have read about the contest and are planning to show her a game on television.

"We might use it as a training run," team member Chris Canty said. "We'll run to the market, buy some fruit off Chan and run back to training carrying it."

BRYCE FOLLOWS DAD

WHO are the only father and son to represent Australia in international rules Tests against Ireland?

Answer: Bryce Gibbs, Australian captain in the under-17 series, and father Ross, who played in the 1987 senior series.

Ross was a member of the team that included Paul Roos, Danny Frawley and Steve Malaxos.

The fact came to light when team officials were speaking with Ross before the second Test.

HARRY AT THE MIKE AGAIN

HARRY Beitzel made a comeback to calling when he called the first of the under-17 Tests on Thursday.

He provided special comments while son Brad, a university lecturer, did the kick-by-kick.

The commentary is not for public consumption, but goes out on internal videos for players and officials.

JUDD SPURS YOUNGSTERS

WITH the third and deciding Test being played in Perth today, the Australian team organisers maintained their tradition of VIP speakers when they invited Chris Judd to address the boys yesterday.

The Eagles star follows Kevin Sheedy, Jim Stynes, Luke Darcy and Brett Deledio, who have been used for pre-match motivation during the series.

Judd, a member of the 2000 Australian under-17 team, spoke about how he felt when they got up in the dying minutes to win the third Test of that series in Ireland.