

BOOK NOTES

Alfred James, *Averages & Results of Australian First-Class Cricket. From 1850/51-1914/15*. The author, Wahroonga, 1985, pp.181. \$22 (includes postage) from the author, P.O. Box 136, Wahroonga, N.S.W. 2076.

This is a valuable reference book based on an enormous amount of painstaking research which will be very useful for researchers interested in this period of cricket. In addition to providing averages for players involved in intercolonial and international matches of this time James provides the dates, summary scores and venues for every intercolonial match and even lists variations in the over length (four, five and six ball overs) in various matches in the late nineteenth century.