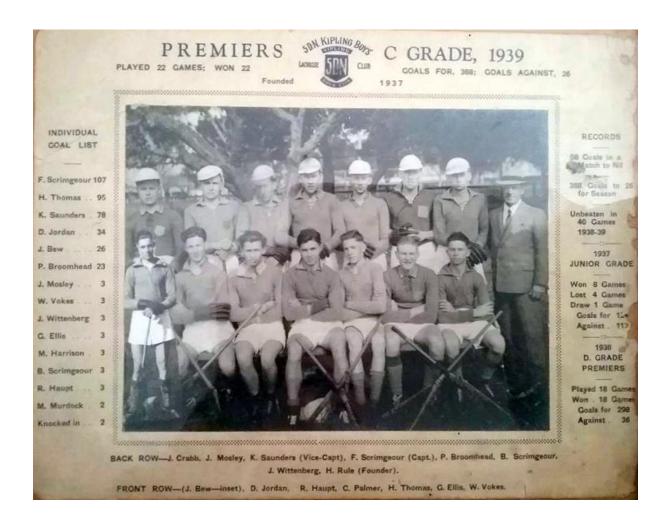
5DN KIPLING BOYS LACROSSE CLUB

The 5DN Kipling Boys Club was formed in 1935 by the Adelaide radio station 5DN, following cable acceptance by the writer and poet, Rudyard Kipling, to be the club's patron and to have the club named in his honour, which soon had more than 6,000 members. Mr Marsh, the General Manager of 5DN, had been inspired by Kipling's poem "If" and felt that the poem embodied the ideals and principles of a boys club. What was the appeal to join the club, this is a question that needs to be answered.

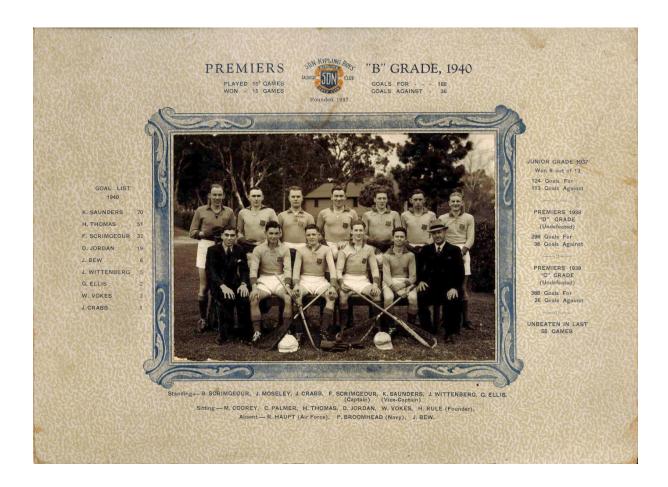
On 7 August 1935 the Advertiser wrote "More Than 6,000 Members".

"More than 1,500 people attended the 5DN Kipling Boys' Club opening night at the Adelaide Town Hall last night. Every seat was occupied. There was a queue waiting at 6.30 pm, and the "house full" sign had to be posted. The general manager of 5DN (Mr Marsh) said today that there was already a membership of between 6,000 and 7,000. The principals in last night's concert, including the president (Don Bradman) and the conductor (Bert Woolley), had received many messages of congratulation. One supporter today paid £1 for membership of the club, which is fixed at 2/. The club will hold another concert in the town hall next Tuesday night."



The 5DN Kipling Boys lacrosse team was formed in 1937 and joined the SALA in the new junior (U18 / "D") grade section. In 1938 they won D Grade, the next year they won C Grade,

and followed that with the B Grade premiership in 1940. In 1941 they entered A Grade and finished 5th out of 7 teams.



While an unofficial SALA competition continued from 1942-1945, the 5DN Kipling Boys Club took no further part in lacrosse after 1941.

The following is the club's honour roll from WW2.

