

## **Foreword**

It is indeed an honour to have been given the privilege of writing the Foreword to this publication "A TALE WORTH TELLING"

The Taranaki Cricket Association has fashioned an enviable record as a leader in the Minor Associations area of New Zealand cricket. However, the way in which this has evolved has not been officially recorded until now.

This publication has the distinction of being the first historical record of the background to the formation of the Taranaki Cricket Association, and the subsequent development in over 100 years of existence.

It is comprehensive in its statistical detail of both club and representative highlights, and of the personalities involved in the playing and administration of cricket in Taranaki since its inception.

If, as President of the Association I may presume to speak for the cricketers of Taranaki, I express our sincere gratitude to the author of this publication, Brian Bellringer, for his untiring efforts in compiling this invaluable historical record of Taranaki cricket and for his long and dedicated service to the Association. This publication represents a commemoration of the past and an inspiration for the future.

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