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FIVE FORMS OF CRICKETING PARTISANSHIP

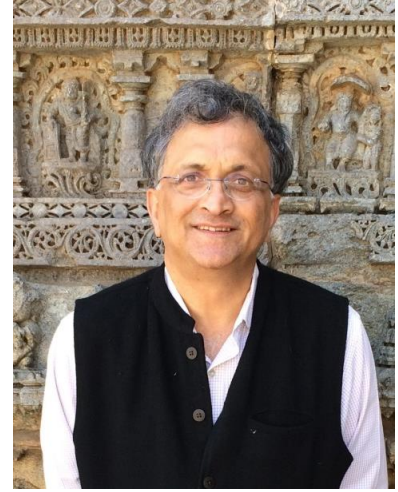
Exclusive dinner with Ramachandra Guha *Historian, Biographer and Cricket Writer*

Date: Thursday 10 November, 2016

Time: 6.30pm for 7.00pm start – 9.30pm

Venue: Olympic Room, Melbourne Cricket Ground – Brunton Avenue, Richmond VIC 3002

RSVP by Thursday 3 November, 2016



The sports writer Mike Marqusee once called Ramachandra Guha 'the laureate of Indian cricket'. Ever since joining his first club in Bangalore, India as a five year old, Guha has maintained a love affair with the game. A prolific commentator on cricket in India, he provides an inspired take on the role it has played in his country's history and national identity.

In this address, Guha will identify and defend five distinct forms of cricketing partisanship. Based on more than 50 years of loyal devotion to his local club and a style of the game, he will provoke debate and disagreement with colourful anecdotes from cricketing history. This dinner will also be a celebration of Diwali, a Hindu festival of lights spiritually signifying the victory of light over darkness.

Ramachandra Guha is a historian, biographer and cricket writer based in India. The New York Times has referred to him as “perhaps the best among India’s non-fiction writers”, Time Magazine has described him as “Indian democracy’s pre-eminent chronicler”, and the renowned Indian cricket journalist Suresh Menon has described him as “a polymath who happens to write superbly on cricket”. He has held academic positions at Yale, Stanford, the University of California Berkeley, London School of Economics, and the University of Oslo. Guha is an author of several award-winning books across history, anthropology, environmentalism and cricket. Guha’s books on cricket have included *Wickets in the East*, *the States of Indian Cricket*, and the award winning *A Corner of a Foreign Field*. Guha has received numerous awards including the Padma Bhushan, the Republic of India’s third highest civilian honour and an honorary doctorate from Yale University, the Fukuoka Prize, and the Daily Telegraph/Cricket Society Prize. In 2008 and 2013, Prospect Magazine nominated Guha as one of the world’s most influential public intellectuals.

We hope you are able to join us for this event.

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