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Chant and sing for an Ashes win

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Andy Bellairs, David Brooks and Greg Champion. Picture: Fiona Hamilton

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THERE are plenty of punters claiming Australia won't win the Ashes series.

But founder and frontman of The Music Men, David Brooks, is hoping a collection of cricket songs may help inspire our cricketers to prove the nay-sayers wrong.

Brooks, an ex-pat Pom with divided loyalties, has teamed up with Greg Champion and producer Andy Bellairs to record Songs For Singing at Cricket Matches.

With chants such as We had Dennis Lillee, You had Phillip Tufnell, Champion said it was crucial Aussie supporters turned out in big numbers to spur on their side.

"These are songs to rival the Barmy Army. They constantly out-sing our supporters," Champion said.

"We want to get the Aussie fans singing loud this summer."

Leading sports psychologist Phil Jauncey said Ashes success was all about winning the battle of the mind.

"There's a myth in sport surrounding the concept of form," Mr Jauncey said.

"Form doesn't exist. I keep telling people there's only four reasons you fail: you don't know what to do, you don't know how to do it, you don't have the ability and the fourth one is a choice."

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