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Bankstown Sports:

Baulkham Hills Sports Club is a great supporter of all the Sporting Divisions. Bankstown Sports have once again provided Baulkham Hills Cricket Club with a grant towards the costs of our Juniors. This is greatly appreciated and helps keep our costs down. Support your club by getting to the Sporto whenever you can. Thanks to Sports Administrator Marie Kanaan for her input and assistance.

Competition Dates:

One more round to go. Money time for some teams! Remember that the finals are held over two (2) weekends - played on both Saturday & Sunday. Semis are 22/23 March & Finals 29/30 March.

Junior Double Wicket:

The Junior Double Wicket was held on Sunday 23 February at Ted Horwood. Results:

Intermediate (U14-U16):

Final: Luke Jerome & Chris Blinman defeated Stephen Burns & Will Campbell.

Plate Final: Michael Bellam & Jaydon Eades defeated Jason Luther & Harrison Hall.

Junior (U11-U13):

Final: Harry Sutherland & Kiran Surendran defeated Ryan Johns & Chris Durante.

Plate Final: Ryan Smith & Michael Blinman defeated Harrison King & Oscar Turner.

Well done to these players and thanks to all the players who came along and played! Thanks to all who helped with umpiring, scoring, organizing the players, cooking, manning the canteen and organizing the day. Well done everyone! And whilst the weather started poorly, it cleared up to a lovely day.

Team Photos:

Team photos were held on Saturday 22 February and 1 March. Day 2 was terrible weather, so the photo shoot was moved indoors to the Sports Club. Thanks to Kevin Balzarolo for helping the photographer set up at the Sporto. Thanks to Secretary Rick Thomas for organizing the photographer & rostering teams. Thanks to Junior Secretary Peter Burns for overseeing the days.

Final Series Umpires

Teams who miss the semis may be asked to umpire a semi-final. BE READY and have somebody available. NO EXCUSES! Teams who lose a semi may also be required to provide an umpire for the finals. Remember, all umpires in the finals series get paid!

Equipment

Club Equipment Officer Terry Webb is ready to take your kits once your season is over. Make sure the kit is clean and all used and new balls are returned.

Grounds Update: BHCC have had discussions with Council regarding the construction of new nets at Ted Horwood. It is hoped that this project will be completed early in the 2014/2015 season. There are also some improvements to the nets at Crestwood planned.

The Grapevine:

- Traitor or Tactician? Who was the Baulko coach wearing a Babas shirt? Was it because the batsman could not see the red ball against the Baulko club shirt or was he preparing for a defeat? Whichever way, it worked, as Baulko defended 107 by rolling the opposition for 98!
- Good to see the B4's are on the ball. Apparently in round 10, when they played Guildford Leagues, the teams took each other's scorebooks. Nothing said until Guildford asked us on Monday this week if we could swap scorebooks! Interesting to see what both teams did on day 1 of round 11!
- Happy 25th birthday for last Saturday to Simon Ruxton.
- Well done to the U13/2 team. They were on meat raffle duty last Saturday. Nearly all the team and their families came along to enjoy dinner at the club and then the boys, together with Coach Peter Zann and Manager Dave Taylor sold the tickets.
- And a Happy birthday as well to Andrew McLellan (AKA Schicky) for last week. How old is this guy?
- Congrats to Chris Hush of A Res who was married last Saturday. Just look at some of the guests shown here!
- And to Karyn & Chris Springall on Jen's wedding last Saturday. No more hand in the pocket Pres?
- And on special Events- Happy 25th Wedding Anniversary to Treasurer Peter Gunton & wife Priscilla. But going out to dinner instead of attending monthly meeting? Why not come to the Sporto for a romantic dinner?
- The submission of team reports for the Owzatt by some teams, especially seniors, has been poor. Hopefully next year we can get a better response?
- If you have any interesting stories, please contact us by email to: vicepresident@baulkocricket.com.au



PDCA: PDCA is holding a Planning Meeting tomorrow night (Wednesday 5 March). Clubs have been asked to submit ideas for improvement to competition or any rules changes that are thought to improve the competition or just remove any errors from the rule book.

200 Club: Getting down to the latter stages, with the big prize up for grabs late in March. Thanks to those who supported this event.

Upcoming Events

Grand final BBQ: Sunday 30 March, at the Sports Club. It commences at 6.00pm. Come along and reminisce over the season and how you were hard done by! Maybe we can celebrate a premiership of two!

Presentations: Seniors: Friday 23 May. **Juniors:** Sunday 26 May.

Both events will be held at the Baulkham Hills Sports Club. More details on time later.

Reminders:

Monthly Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month during the season. Next meeting Tuesday 1 April (last one for this season)

Meat Raffle: 8 Mar: B14, 15 Mar: U12/2.

Umpire Duty (Seniors). Rd 14: B7

Website: For all the latest information, go to our website: www.baulkocricket.com.au