

The Third Man's Report

Check out our web site

Have a look at the Baulko web site. All the news about club events, fixtures, results, ladders etc are all available at the following web site – www.baulkocricicket.com.au To see your team's results, go to baulkocricicket.com.au, select 'Team Pages' then select your team. From there you can see the ladder by selecting 'Ladder'.

The site will be updated regularly, and the club history will be added during the season.

There have been some changes to the committee this season. You can find a list of the committee members on the website

To all Captains, Coaches and Managers

Match Results

I need match results in by **Sunday afternoon** following the conclusion of the game, so they can be submitted to the PDCA. You can either drop them off at the club or email them to me at results@baulkocricicket.com.au If no results are submitted you get **NO POINTS and may be fined!** It is up to you to get the results to me – I will not be chasing anybody. When putting in players' names, can you put in their first name as well so that I can pass this onto the PDCA.

Team Reports

Team reports for this newsletter can be put in the box at the Club or emailed to me at results@baulkocricicket.com.au by Tuesday night after the game. Newsletters will be published during the week after a game.

Team Performances:

B9 Outright win after losing on first innings 14/1 2 for 352

Individual Achievements

S Smith	A Res	55 no	D Houlahan	B16	50
Graham Baker	B5	51	Tom Gurka	15/1	66
Ben Dooley	B7	66	Sean Abbott	14/1	188
Matt Bracken	B9	62	Nick Bertus	14/1	128
Martin Daniel	B9	50	Abbott & Bertus	1st wkt partnership - 318 runs	
Bracken & Daniel	1st wkt partnership	108 runs	Michael B	13/1	60 no
Reece Jones	B14	70	Nick McConnell	11/1A	50 no
W Koski	B14	5/40	O'Brien	11/2	5/37

Canteen Roster – Ted Horwood Oval

Teams are reminded to have people available to man the canteen at Ted Horwood Reserve. The canteens raise valuable funds for our club, which help us to keep the fees down. The following teams are rostered in the next few weeks –

DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON
24 September 2005	B5	Under 14/3
01 October 2005	No Junior Matches	Under 12/2
08 October 2005	B11	Under 13/1
15 October 2005	B14	Under 13/2
22 October 2005	B17	Under 12/1
29 October 2005	B9	Under 11/1A

Saturday Night Raffle Roster – At The Sporto

Most teams, both senior & junior, will be rostered to sell tickets back at the Sports Club on one Saturday. You only need two or three people to sell the tickets and it only takes about 30 minutes. Please ensure you turn up on your rostered night.

DATE	TEAM
24 September 2005	B15
08 October 2005	B16
22 October 2005	B1
05 November 2005	B4
19 November 2005	B8
03 December 2005	B11

BAULKHAM HILLS CRICKET CLUB SHOPPING TRIP

COME ON LADIES LETS GET TOGETHER,
HAVE FUN AND SHOP UNTIL WE DROP

SUNDAY 6TH NOVEMBER, 2005

DEPARTS FROM BAULKHAM HILLS SPORTS CLUB

TIME: TBA PROBABLY - 8:00 OR 8.30 AM

COST: \$40 EACH (includes lunch, morning & afternoon tea)

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT

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RSVP: ASAP

PAYMENT BY: 8TH OCTOBER 2005

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ALL WELCOME

(including any blokes who are game enough!)

Social And Other Stuff

Playing Fees

All players are advised that playing fees for the current season are now OVERDUE! If you have not paid your fees, please pay the money to your captain asap, or give it to any committee member at the Sporto on Saturday night.

Have-A-Go Clinic – Help Needed

The club will again be running a Have-A-Go Clinic on Friday nights for our youngest and keenest participants. The clinic will be run after daylight saving has commenced, starting in November. We are looking for helpers to run the sessions. Last season we had several parents and Under 16 and 15 players assisting. The session runs from about 6:00 to 7:30. If you are interested, talk to any committee member or drop us an email at committee@baulkocricicket.com.au

Saturday Night Raffles

The Saturday Night Raffles continue on the first week of each senior match back at the Sports Club after the Senior games. Ticket sales usually commence by about 6:30pm. This year the prizes are Woolies vouchers, which can be used at any Woolies, Big W, or Woolies Liquor stores

NSW Cricket Raffle

We are running the NSW Cricket Raffle this year. Tickets were given to each team at the first Monthly meeting. They cost just \$2 & there are some great prizes, including a corporate box at the Sydney Test on day one. Money and unsold tickets must be returned by November 25. Contact Leigh Griggs or anyone on the social committee.

Krispy Kremes Partnership Cards

As part of the fund-raiser conducted on Registration Day, the club has some Krispy Kreme partnership Cards for sale. The cards get you a free dozen doughnuts, with any purchase of a dozen. The cards are valid until 2007 and can be used up to 10 times. They are \$12, and can be purchased back at the club on Saturday nights during the Meat Raffles.

Other Events

Other events will include the Trivia Night in February & the meat raffle every week at the Sports Club. Full detail of the events will be given out at the next Captains & Manager's meeting. Check the will site regularly as details will be available once they are finalised.

CRICKET CLUB NOTICE BOARD

We now have our own notice board at the Sports Club. It is on the door, opposite the main bar. It will contain the player of week winners as well as the draw. Have look next time you are in the club.

Match Results and Reports

10 Blue	3 for 94	Greystanes	12 for 87	Win on averages
<p>What a promising start to the season! All the boys performed well and played with great enthusiasm. Greystanes won the toss and decided to bat. Joe and Ramit opened the bowling for Baulko with Ramit (2 for 8) taking a wicket in his 1st and 2nd overs getting us off to a great start. Wickets tumbled at regular intervals, with Mitchell (2 for 4), Ben M (1 for 14), Ben G (1 for 6), Siddhant (1 for 13), Michael (1 for 9), Viva (1 for 6) and Bryce (1 for 4) all taking wickets. Great fielding by Joshua, Tanveer and Joe helped restrict the score to 87.</p> <p>Baulko's turn to bat and Bryce and Viva opened the batting. It was a steady and consistent run chase with all batsmen contributing to the total. The most pleasing aspect of the batting was that we only lost 3 wickets, despite some accurate bowling from the opposition. The best contributions came from Joshua (1), Tanveer (8), Mitchell (3), Ben G (1), Michael (3), Siddhant (2), Joe (2) and Manmit (1). The highlight of the innings was a majestic cover drive for 4 by Tanveer.</p>				

10 Red	14 for 94	Greystanes	9 for 95	Loss on averages
<p>Bowling figures: Luke Bertus 3-7 Tom Waddups 2-5 Dan Waddups 2-6</p> <p>Batting: Owen Smith 5 Josh Koski 4</p>				

10 White	6 for 111	Wenty Waratahs	6 for 67	Win on averages

11/2	10 for 172	Kellyville	7 for 174	First innings loss

11/1B	6 dec 132	Hills Barbarians	10 for 37, 8 for 61	First innings win
<p>The first game of the season was an excellent game, where all boys contributed very well to a great match. After Hills Barbarians elected to bat and we bowled them out for 37. Ravi Marwah bowled very well (4 for 6) and was well supported by Josh Stevenson, Taseen Rahman and Trent Samuels, who each took 2 wickets. Tom Hughes led the batting charge with an unbeaten 43, well supported by Taseen Rahman with 24 not out. We declared at 6 for 132 and sent Hills back in. They batted very well in the second innings and although we went close, we couldn't get them all out. It was a very good first innings win and all of the boys made good contributions with bat, ball and in the field. The game was played in a good spirit and was enjoyable all round.</p>				

11/1A	9 for 156	Wenty Leagues	9 for 120	First innings win
<p>Nick McConnell 50 not out Blake Newman 26 Mitchell Webb 3 for 3 Gaj Sivaapalan 2 run outs</p> <p>Baulkham Hill batted first and the openers set a solid foundation and took the sting out of the bowling with a solid 15 to Cody and 14 to Jonathan. The middle order took full advantage of the foundations set by the openers with a magnificent chanceless 50 not out for Nick McConnell and a quickfire 26 off only 28 balls for Blake Newman. Nick christened his new bat the best way possible and he looks set for a great season. After 54 overs the boy reached 9/156 - a good total against very good bowling and fielding.</p> <p>The following Saturday Wenty started solidly in their run chase - Pavan and Geoff bowled a blistering opening spell without luck. Wenty' solid start was broken by a run out with a direct hit from the outfield courtesy of Gaj. Gaj had another direct hit for a run out latter in the innings in an outstanding display of outfielding. Matthew bowled a very consistent line at pace and was rewarded with a wicket. Blake and Mitchell bowled 8 overs for 1 run in the middle of the innings which put the brakes on the Wenty chase. Joel's spin bowling was almost unplayable and he was unlucky to walk away with only one wicket. Blake and Mich returned for a second pell with Blake picking up a wicket for figures of 1 for 3. Mitchell went around the wicket for his second spell- the change of line worked with Mitch picking up three quick wickets - all bowled. A highlight of the inning was the excellent out fielding resulting in three run outs. George put in a great stint behind the stump to both the pace attack and spin and looks the part. Wenty fought hard but come up a few run short against a tight bowling attack backed up with great fielding.</p> <p>A great start to the season.</p>				

12/2	5 for 73	Kings Langley	7 for 72	First innings win
<p>The match against Kings Langley was reduced to a 1 day game today due to the unavailability of North Rocks Park on the second week</p> <p>A good first up win. Some good all round bowling and fielding, followed by a strong reply with the bat with the target being reached with 8.5 overs to spare. In the bowling Ryan Bailey 6 overs 1 maiden 4 for 8, Anoop Vaidya 7 overs 2 for 22. In the batting Anoop Vaidya top scored with 16, well supported by 14 from Aidan Cousin and 11 from Chris Gunton.</p>				

12/1	10 for 86	Wenty Waratahs	10 for 103	First innings loss

13/2	6 for 126	Hills Barbarians	3 for 151	First innings loss
<p>Bowlers - Alex Dopper 1-22, Elliott Stillman 1-28, Adam Nugent 1-32 Batters - Daniel Marlow 42, Alex Dopper 29</p> <p>A good effort first up by the boys and excellent batting by Daniel Marlow who scored as much in one innings as the whole of last season. Very encouraging Daniel, keep it up mate. Alex Dopper playing his first game for the club also played batted very well. Elliott Stillman, Adam Nugent and Alex Dopper bowled well and Matt Newson took an excellent diving catch at second slip. Overall our fielding was disappointing though with too many boys not prepared to get down to the ball. We dropped too many catches and let through too many runs. All up a good first effort but plenty of work to do at training in the next few weeks.</p>				

13/1	5 for 175	Wenty Leagues	8 for 174	First innings win
<p>Michael B 60 n.o Mattheesha 38</p> <p>First week can best be described as a very rusty effort. Bowling lacked line and length, and the fielding was pretty ordinary too. Apart from Michael B and the two new guys Jason and Nealon everyone else was all over the place. Good catches by Ajay and Matt.</p> <p>Our batting effort was certainly the reverse from our effort the week before. Every one put great value on their wicket, and applied themselves well done boys.congratulations to Michael B for posting an unbeaten 60 and Mattheesha for a great 38. They were well supported by Omal, Ornob and Matt.Lets put in the same effort with the ball next game. Welcome to the team to Jason, Omal and Nealon.</p> <p>Thanks for Shan for again taking on our scorers role and to Sami for becoming my first manager it certainly does help. Once again well done guys for a great win!</p>				

14/3	4 dec 134	Norwest	10 for 96, 7 for 59	First innings win
<p>First game back for the team with a few new faces in Christian, Paul and Luke.</p> <p>The winter months must have gathered plenty of cobwebs and it took us some time to blow them out of the system.</p> <p>With Adam taking the lead and winning the toss we sent Norwest into bat to see what sort of opposition we had. It took us a while to get settled but then Kieran rattled the furniture of their opener with the score on 7. Both Adam and Kieran struggled to find their line and length and the opposition took advantage of it putting on a good partnership before Mason found the right spot to bowl one of their danger batsmen. Once Mace found his line he cleaned up the next batsman on the very next ball to be on a hat trick! Tiarne (our super fielder) then chipped in with a great catch at square leg off Christian to dismiss the other opening batsman who was really starting to settle in. By the drinks break we had Norwest 5 for 73. Our attitude in the field after the break improved tremendously and we got the rewards for our efforts by having Norwest all out for just another 23 runs. Good bowling by Paul, Christian, Mason and Cameron who collected a wicket with his only ball of the innings.</p> <p>Adam and Kieran opened the batting and played some good positive cricket with excellent running to have us 0 for 40 at the end of the day's play. The start of the second day was a little shaky with Adam losing his wicket on 21 with the score on 43. Solid opening stand boys. Then Cameron and Kieran went on with the job passing Norwest's total of 96 in just the 30th over. Now starting to play some shots Cameron was bowled for 35 after a 66 run second wicket stand. Kieran was finally bowled going after a loose ball for 38. Great to see Robert and Tiarne playing some positive shots and being rewarded for their positive attitude. We finally declared our innings closed at the drinks break at 4 for 134, giving us a 38 run lead.</p> <p>It was pleasing to see that the team has not lost any of its killer instinct from last year. Right from the first ball we set about going for an outright. Our bowling was a lot better this time and we continually had Norwest on the back foot with our sharpness in the field and improved accuracy with the ball. By the time Norwest had covered our lead, we had already taken 5 scalps. Unfortunately time beat us but not without a fright. Norwest were 7 for 59 at stumps.</p> <p>Good effort from Paul with match stat's of 3/17, Christian 4/23 and Cameron 2/1.</p> <p>Good start team, but remember when our attitude is not right on the field, then the game really teaches us a lesson.</p>				

14/1	2 for 352	Kings Langley	6 for 147	First innings win
<p>Welcome to Michael Harvey and Aleem Khan who have joined our 14/1's team.</p> <p>A good toss to win on a perfect batting ground under a blue sky. Nick and Sean opened the batting, both getting off the mark with fours in the first over. At drinks we were 0-114 scoring at 4.75 per over. Sean reached his 100 off 98 balls and if the bowlers thought they were doing it tough it just got worse. After 36 overs we were 0 for 177 and by 46 overs we were 0 for 290 and 0 for 318 at 49 overs. During this time Nick reached his first century from just 132 balls which is a great performance. Sean was stumped in the 50th over on 188, only 12 runs short of a double century. Sean's last 88 runs came from just 43 balls. Congratulations Nick and Sean with a great opening partnership of 318 runs. Unfortunately Nick was caught in the next over having scored 128 runs from 153 balls. Gabriel (15*) and Daniel (16*) having waited 3 hours and 45 minutes batted the last 4 overs out playing some great shots to be not out at stumps with the score on 2 for 352. Congratulations to Kings Langley who bowled very well giving away only 5 sundries for the game.</p> <p>We had some rain overnight before day two but by the time we started the ground was dry. Sean and Teshan opened the bowling with pace and accuracy with the batsman struggling to score runs to have them 0 or 14 after 10 overs. Samira and Michael Harvey bowled next maintaining the pace and accuracy with Samira picking up our first wicket in the 18th over to have them 1 for 28. Great bowling from Michael who gave away only one run from his 5 over spell. By now Kings Langley were never going to get the runs and dug in determined not to be bowled out. Brendan bowled the 37th over starting with a wicket maiden to a catch from Ben and then carried his form into his second over knocking over Steve Bristow's stumps. Four minutes later Josh had Ashby out for 1 run with a catch from Nick. Sean scattered the stumps in the 43rd over taking his first wicket. Daniel took the next wicket with another catch from Ben. Kings Langley held out to stumps to be 6 for 147 with a first innings win to Baulko. Well bowled Brendan 3-1-2-6, Daniel 5-1-1-8, Sean 6-2-1-10, Samira 5-2-1-14 and Josh 5-0-1-22. (overs-maidens-wickets-runs). Excellent fielding from Sam. A great start to the season against last years grand finalists.</p>				

15/2	10 for 49, 6 for 92	Norwest	10 for 139	First innings loss
<p>Unfortunately our first outing for the season resulted in a loss. Norwest won the toss and sent us into bat. The loss of two of our top order batsmen in quick succession put us under early pressure. While tight bowling and urgency in the field from Norwest made runs hard to come by. Wickets continued to fall steadily throughout the morning, with almost all of our batsmen getting a start but unable to build a significant total. Our innings came to a close after 32 overs with the total on just 49.</p> <p>Norwest commenced their innings late on the first day and we were able to take two early wickets before a solid partnership saw them come to within 2 runs of our total at the close of play. The start of play on the second day saw Norwest pass our total early before Alex took a blinder of a keepers catch off Arron's bowling which finally broke the partnership that had won them the first innings. Norwest then abandoned caution in an effort to build a total big enough to attempt an outright victory. Our bowlers did their best to contain them under difficult circumstances but Norwest declared their innings closed after 46 overs on 9/139. All of our bowlers contributed with Pranav (3/13), Arron (2/22), Kanav (1/12), Shane (1/11), and Daniel (2/38) all taking wickets.</p> <p>We were sent back to the crease with just over two hours play remaining and a deficit of 90 runs. Again we lost early wickets but a partnership between Kanav (16) and Mithran (13) anchored our second innings. Their dismissal saw Josh (25) and Arron (13/no); and then Gareth (7) and Shane (3/no) rise to the challenge. The arrival of midday saw the threat of an outright loss averted with our total at 6/92 after 33 overs.</p>				

15/1	9 for 185	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 73, 6 for 63	First innings win
<p>Tom Gurka 66, Evan Platt 40</p> <p>Owen Butler 3/6, Tom Gurka 3 catches and 6/63</p> <p>Tom Gurka took a total of 5 catches on the day - all at first slip</p>				

16/1	8 for 213	Kings Langley	10 for 135	First innings win
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C	10 for 92	AKA Sports	10 for 94, 6 for 89	First innings loss
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B17	10 for 159	Kellyville	10 for 74, 6 for 121	First innings win
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B16	10 for 103, 10 for 111	Seven Hills RSL	10 for 287	Outright loss
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B15	10 for 123	Kings Langley	10 for 176	First innings loss
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B14	10 for 157, 0 for 22	NSW Tamils	10 for 209, 6 dec 114	First innings loss
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B11	9 for 123	Wenty Waratahs	10 for 107	First innings win
Round 1 ended up being a one day game as the council would not allow us to take the field in week 1. They did nothing with the ground except remove the soccer posts and add a heap of dirt. What a disgrace for Baulkham Hills Shire Council.				

B9	10 for 117, 6 for 158	AKA Sports	10 for 165, 0 dec 106	Outright win after first innings loss
<p>An unlikely win, and after a luckless last season we needed this break to get the ball rolling. That being said, as good as it was to get the win, we shouldn't forget that we lost first innings, and on the second saturday played some of the worst cricket in our collective history. We have 10 points, but we also have a lot of areas we need to improve immediately.</p> <p>AKA won the toss and batted, reaping the rewards of an almost grassless outfield. Whitey and Wetta dismissed the top three early, but the next two wickets proved harder to come by, as powerful hitting and some rusty bowling (27 sundries, 12 of which were byes but weren't the keepers fault) let them get to 4/130. We bounced back however to clean them up for 165, which on this lightning fast ground seemed very achievable. Whitey lead the way with four wickets, Andrew chipping in with three.</p> <p>Matt and Marty showed just how quickly runs could be scored by racing to 30 in 4 overs, before Matt became the first of 5 batsmen to be bowled. The quick scoring continued when Goony came in, as we made 50 off 7 overs. But, in a scene tragically reminiscent of last season we lost three wickets for just 7 runs, to finish the day in the less commanding position of 4/61.</p> <p>Day 2 picked up where day 1 had finished, with early wickets falling, and little resistance being provided to the fairly harmless AKA bowling attack. We lost our next three wickets for 16, before Whitey made a brief but effective cameo, smashing 20 off one over. Jimmy was the only other batsman to offer a fight, compiling an undefeated 21 as the wickets fell around him.</p> <p>With a lead of just under 50 the AKA openers made their intentions clear. They belted, edged, and padded their way to 106 off 15 overs, before offering a more than sporting declaration, 154 runs ahead.</p> <p>After witnessing our first innings capitulation, AKA was confident they could roll us and claim the 10 points, but Matt and Marty had other plans. They dismissed the hapless AKA attack to all parts of the ground, racing against the dark to chase down the total. In 12 overs they amassed 100 runs, before Matt was dismissed for 62, the undoubted highlight being the three sixes he smashed off the second over of their opening bowler. Martin made 50 before holing out, and despite some wickets falling, and darkness enveloping the ground, the new Captain Whitey was there to hit four for the winning runs.</p> <p>It was a good win boys, but it was almost a very disappointing loss. We can't celebrate the win too much, because we all know that the team certainly didn't play its best cricket, and had it not been for the efforts of a few individuals we would be lamenting a loss. We have the technical potential, the skill to be a great team. But maybe we're lacking some mental strength. We are definitely lacking concentration, and the resolve to defend our wicket. We're lacking belief in the field - belief that we can take that catch, or stop that ball. We get our heads down to quickly, and keep our mouths shut - when we need 2 make the batsmen believe that they are under pressure and we are on top. When the pressure is on them, the catches become easier for us to take, the wickets fall far more quickly. And when we are batting maybe we need to return to the simplest theory of scoring runs. Block the ball when it's on your stumps, and hit it when it isn't. Too many batsmen were bowled on the weekend, and our middle order and tail definitely need to go a bit harder at those balls outside the offstump. I know that's easy for the useless no. 11 to say, but you all have the ability to do it.</p> <p>We were fortunate to start the season with this 10 points. Let's not waste that good fortune. It's time now to consolidate, and put in a more consistent and confident effort. We know now we can get these big wins, let's see that belief out on the field.</p>				

B8	10 for 63	Wenty Leagues	4 for 69	First innings loss
<p>Not the start to the season that myself or the team had hoped for but things can only get better. Our batting was not up to scratch and more often than not, we got ourselves out through impatience and ill disciplined shots rather than getting out to good bowling and fielding.</p> <p>However, all is not lost and there were a few positives to take from our game against Wenty Leagues. Brad " Wayne Arthurs " Green made a stellar debut for Baulko taking 2 for 18 off 7 overs and was supported well by Adam " Krispy " Fahey. We fielded well but were never in the match as Wenty cruised to victory in only 16 overs with 4 wickets down.</p> <p>Thanks to Ben for filling in for us at the last minute.</p> <p>Keeper signing off</p>				

B7	10 for 147	NSW Tamils	10 for 238	First innings loss
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B6	10 for 83	Guildford Bowling	5 for 125	First innings loss
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B5	10 for 155	NSW Tamils	10 for 165, 6 for 143	First innings loss
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B4	10 for 95	Seven Hills RSL	10 for 134	First innings loss
Keenan Galas: 26 Ben Atkins: 3-24 Dave Higginbotham: 3-20				
Failed to capitalise on a good bowling effort. At best, it was a rusty batting performance. A target of 134 should be achieved. Some dubious LBWs clouded the issue. It was a poor effort and we will have to improve if we are to be successful.				

B1	10 for 86	Hills Barbarians	10 for 208	First innings loss
We lost the toss and fielded. Barbars got off to a good start and losing only one wicket on their way past 100. After that they lost their last 9 wickets for around 80 runs to finish off at 208. Some good bowling by Mitch with 4/41 and excellent catching in first slip by Hobbsy with 3 catches helped in reining their free scoring shots.				
We had 5 overs to face with threatening bad light. Pat scored quickly off the first over with us being 0-20, four fours and four leg byes. A great way to start any match. We finished on the first day at 0/36 and looked ready to start the next week. If a week in politics is long our batting in the second week did not match it. We tumbled and threw our wickets away with reckless abandonment. All out for 86. Mercifully the opposition decided that drinks at the local was more enjoyable than putting us back in and we went back to the Sporto to win at the races.				

A Res	4 for 101	Seven Hills RSL	10 for 98	First innings win
What a start to the season. First, we have a ground change, then the game is changed to a 33/33 one day game to make way for the annual Australasian Frisbee Championships held on North Rocks Park the second week. So we turn up to the ground for our first game and it is covered in topsoil. But who gives a stuff, we're playing cricket again.				
The Seven Hills Sugar Plum Fairies were our first opponent after making the step up into A Reserves. Our newly appointed captain showed the traditional inept qualities of our old skipper when it comes to the tossing of the coin. J-Dub (under the influence of Codral tablets) lost the toss and we were sent into the field.				
Things looked pretty grim with the first over of the year going for three boundaries (apparently topsoil does not slow down the ball). 33 overs suddenly seemed like a long innings but things quickly changed due to some high quality bowling and fielding. Bag (3/30 off 10) started the rot which was completed by BS Simpson (3/10 off 5). Even The Pitts got a piece of the action at first slip taking a couple of introductory gems. Slippery Smith, Big Boy Byrne and Philbo Woods provided great backup with accurate pressure bowling in the middle overs, taking wickets at regular intervals.				
Set a fairly light total of 98, we sent out our new opening pair Scarlet and The Pitts. Unfortunately they decided it was better to watch cricket than to play it and joined us back on the sidelines after a few steady overs. That's when our new hero, Slippery Smith (55*), decided he would win the game for us with a dominant batting display and suddenly the job was done with the loss of only 4 wickets.				
Surely things can't continue be this easy, I'm sure the Sugar Plum Fairies were a few players short so I think we should be prepared for some tougher games to come. Seven points is seven points and we will take it and enjoy the week off. Anyone for Frisbee.				

A	10 for 125	Seven Hills RSL	8 dec 252	First innings loss
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