

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:

B5	Outright win	B15	7 for 299
B7	10 for 287		

Individual Achievements

C North	A	80 no	A Wilkins	B7	66
S Kalia	A	51	McLoughlin & Wilkins	1st wkt partnership - 124	
P Micali	A	5/41	M Hardy	B7	52 no
R Simpson	A Res	81	B Dooley	B7	5/20
K Galas	B4	83	M Bracken	B9	6/45
P Mamo	B5	5/19	S Khoury	B11	97
S Hillbrink	B5	5/35	T Josan	16/1	52
D Tipton	B6	71	Elliott Stillman	13/2	69
D. Tipton & B. King	1st wkt partnership - 114		Anoop Vaidya	12/2	5/12
G McLoughlin	B7	72			

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
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
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@baultkocricicket.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	4 for 63	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 72	Win on averages
<p>Another great result for the boys, which makes it 2 wins in a row.</p> <p>Baulko won the toss and decided to bat. Tanveer (3) and Siddhant (0) opened the batting. After the early loss of 2 wickets the batsmen put their heads down and we only lost another 2 wickets. Batsmen to contribute the most runs were Tanveer (3), Sumal (3), Joshua (1), Joe (1), Michael (5) and Bryce (1). The highlight of the batting was a powerful pull shot for 4 by Michael.</p> <p>Pendle Hills turn to bat and Manmit (1 for 5) and Michael (0 for 4) opened the bowling with Manmit taking a wicket in his 2nd over. From this point wickets fell at regular intervals and although Pendle Hill scored more runs than Baulko it was our wicket taking that won us the game. The most pleasing part of the fielding effort was the catching by the boys, which was nothing short of sensational with 2 catches each to Mitchell, Bryce and Ben. Other wicket takers were Joshua (2 for 7), Ben G (1 for 3), Mitchell (1 for 12), Sumal (1 for 6), Joe (1 for 3) and Taneer (2 for 3).</p>				

10 Red	Average 12.87	Kellyville	Average 6.42	Win on averages
<p>Batting award to John Hollins 8 runs including a huge 4. Josh Koski and Owen Smith also scored 6.</p> <p>Bowling award to Troy Black with 1-4. Luke Bertus kept up his form with 2-5, and Josh Koski with 2-7.</p>				

10 White	8 for 53	Pendle Hill Colts	9 for 57	Win on averages
<p>Well guys we can't get much closer than this!</p> <p>A great game against a very good side, well done We bowled first and contained Pendle Hill. There last batters scoring 30 runs of 24 balls and we witnessed some BIG hitters. Great bowling from Ramal 2/1, and one wicket each to Nicholas, Blaine, Yuvin, Vithushan, and Devin. Catches to Devin and Nicholas, one stumping to Kunal and a combined effort for a run out Kunal-Utkarsh. Good fielding from Tarush.</p> <p>We batted well and it went down to the last ball. Solid batting all-round, Daniel 10no, Sachin 5, Devin 5no, Nicholas 4no, Kunal 3no, Utkarsh 2no, William 2 and Ramal 1no.</p> <p>Again guys well done.</p> <p>Round 1:</p> <p>Congratulations to all the boys. We had four players in their first season Daniel, Blaine, William and Tarush.</p> <p>We batted first and scored 6/111. Top score to Kunal 12n/o and good batting by Daniel 7n/o, Sean 7, Nicholas 6n/o, William 6, Sachin 4n/o, Utkarsh 2n/o and Blaine 1. Good batting by Yuvin</p> <p>The second week we were in the field and limited Wenty to 6/67 with one wicket each to Sachin, William, Ramal and Tarush. Good wicket keeping by Nicholas 2 stumpings, 1 catch and an assisted run out with Kunal. Good fielding by Vithushan and Devin.</p> <p>Well-done guys a win with good cricket played.</p>				

11/2	10 for 29	Kings Langley	0 for 30	First innings loss

11/1B	7 for 109	Baulkham Hills A	8 for 145	First innings loss
<p>Taseen 3 for 7</p> <p>This was always going to be a tough but fun match against the other Baulko side. The A's won the toss and elected to bat. After a good first spell from Taseen and Josh S we had them 3/10. Things could've got a bit harder for them but unfortunately we missed a couple of tough chances. They took advantage of our misses and with some fine batting they posted a very good score. We bowled well but they batted intelligently picking up a lot of quick singles and finding the gaps.</p> <p>When it was our turn to bat we struggled to keep up with the required run rate as they bowled and fielded well. We ended up losing wickets trying to increase the run rate but unfortunately got too far behind. This was a new feeling for a lot of the side as we didn't experience defeat last year. Far from being disappointed I saw a lot of positives to come out of the game and if we can learn from it, it won't be a bad thing.</p> <p>Our bowling was quite good, apart from too many extras, with Taseen, 4-0-3-7, and Josh S, 4-1-1-15, once again forming a very good opening partnership. Amar, Anupam and Trent all chipped in with a wicket each. In the field Amit and Trent both took good catches in the slips and Tom once again was very good behind the stumps only conceding 3 byes.</p> <p>When batting we showed we could hang around but need to look at picking up the singles and rotating the strike. For the second game in a row Tom top scored, with 18, and Taseen batted well before running himself out chasing quick runs. The game was played in excellent spirit and the boys gave their best.</p>				

11/1A	8 for 145	Baulkham Hills B	7 for 109	First innings win
<p>Mitchell Webb 32 n.o. Blake Newman 25 n.o. Nicholas McConnell 27 n.o.</p> <p>It was our first taste of inter club rivalry playing against the other Baulko side, so it was no wonder there were a few nerves around. We won the toss and decided to bat on a very hot Saturday morning. Baulko B's started off spectacularly taking 3 early wickets with some very accurate bowling. Then the A's started to get their confidence going and the runs started to come. In our middle order we had magnificent batting by Mitch, Blake & then the ever reliable Nick who each scored 32, 25, & 27 respectively and all not out. With great support by Shannan, George, Jonathan & Cody we were able to reach a score of 145. What was impressive about the innings were a few things,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The outstanding running between the wickets at certain times that must have given us about 20 extra runs! 2. The footwork used at times especially against some very good spin bowling! 3. The outstanding outfielding by the 11/1B side where I feel saved them about twenty runs. <p>In our bowling, Gaj started off very well with some accurate bowling & was unfortunate not to have grabbed a couple of wickets, but he set the trend for the innings putting 11/1B behind the run rate early and they found the going difficult from then on! All our bowlers did well with single wickets being shared by Pavan, Cody, Shannan, George, Blake & Nick. We fielded very well with Blake being rewarded for a sharp run out which Cody completed being the keeper at the time, and Mitch Webb taking a magnificent catch in slips.</p> <p>There were a lot of positives coming out of the game especially on such a long hot morning.</p> <p>WELL DONE!!!</p>				

12/2	10 for 76	Hills Barbarians	9 for 55	First innings win
<p>Batting Ryan Bailey 30 runs, Sam Hubbard 12 not out, Aidan Cousin 12 runs.</p> <p>Bowling Anoop Vaidya 8 overs 0 maidens 5 for 12 Ryan Bailey 8 overs 1 maiden 2 for 11.</p> <p>Another strong victory. After a shaky start a fine partnership of 41 for the 5th wicket between Ryan and Aidan put us in a position to post a competitive total. This was aided by some fine late order batting from Sam. However, the win was sealed by some fine accurate bowling and excellent fielding. Well done boys. Let's keep up the effort and team spirit.</p>				

12/1	10 for 57	Kings Langley	5 for 59	First innings loss

13/2	7 for 180	Wenty Leagues	8 for 114	First innings win
<p>Bowlers - Toby Davis 2-17, Matt Farrand 2-2, Adam Nugent 1-14, Shivang Sharma 1-6, Elliott Stillman 1-13 Batters - Elliott Stillman 69, Daniel Marlow 19, Toby Davis 25, Adam Nugent 22</p> <p>A great win by the boys in a real team effort. This group of boys has terrific camaraderie and it really shows on the ground. The batting was sensational led by our Captain Elliott Stillman with a magnificent 69. Daniel Marlow back up his 42 last week with a solid 18, and Toby and Adam were damaging but still very much in control with their whirl wind knocks of 25 and 22 respectively.</p> <p>The bowling was good also with Elliott and Alex bowling with good pace (if not a tad short!). Toby, Adam and Matt Newson bowled good line and length to contain Wenty's top order bats, who looked impressive. Shivang and Matthew Farrand came on at a tough time towards the end and really held their ends up with some very encouraging bowling. Kevishan showed he has real potential with his fluent fast medium pace bowling action and Abbasheik bowled his first ever over and gave it his best effort and both will improve from the experience I am sure.</p> <p>Some excellent fielding was executed by both the Matthews, Toby, Abbasheik, Kevishan, Alex, Adam and Elliot. A much improved effort in the field by the entire team, but we will train hard in this area over the school holidays, in an effort to be the best fielding team in the competition!!</p>				

13/1	6 for 64	Seven Hills RSL	10 for 60	First innings win
<p>Raveen De Silva 4 for 10 Michael Bennetts 3 for 4 Omal 19</p> <p>We won the toss and sent them in, bowling early was still a bit erratic. We then turned to our spinners Raveen and Michael who bowled fantastic. One ball from Raveen was an absolute cracker turning at right angles and taking off stump. Fielding is on the improve but more concentration is still needed. Batting was a little shaky but a determined Omal with 19 helped see us home. Have a good holiday boys, plenty of time for some extra practise and get prepared for our next round tussle.</p>				

14/3	2 for 88	Wenty Leagues	10 for 83	First innings win
<p>First one-day game of the year against a much improved opponent from last year in Wenty Leagues. After coming off the big win the prior week Wenty Leagues were going to be difficult in a one-day game.</p> <p>Our captain, Luke, got us off to a good start by winning the toss and electing to send Wenty into bat. After a rusty start in the last match our strike bowlers wasted no time in finding their form of last year. Adam started with a good tight first over and then Kieran claimed his first wicket with his first ball through a sharp catch in second slip by Christian. Then Adam got into the swing of things with a beautiful ball resulting in Cameron taking a good catch behind the stumps. Kieran claimed his second wicket in identical fashion with Christian taking the exact same catch off the first ball of Kieran's second over. By the time Kieran had finished he had rattled the furniture of Wenty's most dangerous looking batsmen. By then Wenty were in trouble at 4/13 after just 4 overs. But to Wenty's credit they settled down and played some good shots and defended well to get back on track before Christian claimed their prize scalp with a good catch in close by Scott (our super sub). Christian then backed it up with another wicket two balls later to have Wenty back on their heels at 6/44. It was then time to bring our captain on to bowl and after a couple of leg side balls, Luke decided to come around the wicket and claimed his first wicket by taking the middle stump of the batsman just as he was settling in. Once Luke knew how it was done he did it again in his second over with the exact same ball to produce a wicket maiden! Matthew came on to clean up the tail and needed only 4 balls, with Christian taking a great catch in close to have Wenty all out for 83 runs.</p> <p>With plenty of time up our sleeve to get the runs Robert went into open the batting with Adam and boy did these guys go about their work. While Adam was getting his eye in, Robert played some great shots all around the park and when Adam found his mark he put the opposition away with 5 consecutive boundaries before losing his wicket. But not before the boys had racked up 75 runs in just 15 overs. Poor Mason could only face 2 overs before the game was done.</p> <p>Well done team with another good win. Our fielding still needs a lot of improvement though with a number of catches put down today and misfields. Let's get this part of game under control and we will have a good year. Special mention to Scott for helping out.</p> <p>Match stat's – Christian 3/28, Adam 1/10, Kieran 3/5, Luke 2/3 and Matthew 1/1. Adam 40 runs with the bat and Robert 33.</p>				

14/1	4 for 111	Wenty Leagues	9 for 112	First innings loss
<p>It had to happen sooner or later and it happened today, we lost our first game in over 3 years.</p> <p>We won the toss and elected to bat. Daniel and Gabriel, the two not out batsmen from round one, opened the batting. The bowling was tight and unfortunately Gabriel spooned one up to be caught on 2 runs. Daniel dug in taking a while to get off the mark, but once off the mark he scored well including a big six off Mitch Lucan. Brendan and Daniel had added 65 runs when Brendan was bowled on 21 runs. Michael and Daniel then put on a 23 run partnership when Daniel (44) was caught pushing for runs. Ben came out with less than 3 overs to go and blasted 10 runs from 5 balls when caught. Sean (1) and Michael (16 from 16 balls) were both not out after our 31 overs for a team total of 4 for 111. With only 10 fielders this would take some defending.</p> <p>Sean and Michael opened the bowling with Michael getting the breakthrough in his 5th over with two wickets. Samira took one over to loosen up and then took 3/10 from his 5 overs. Teshan bowled well but could not get a wicket. Aleem took a wicket with his first ball to have Wenty 6 for 70 after 21 overs. Wenty needed 4.2 an over for the next 10 overs so the game was going to be close. Aleem picked up another wicket to have Wenty 7 for 88 after 25 overs needing only 24 to win. Michael and Sean bowled the last 6 overs, Michael over took a wicket giving away only one run and then Sean bowled a maiden (with a leg bye). This looked better, 22 runs from 4 overs, with two wickets in hand. Michael took a wicket off his last ball which meant we needed one wicket and Wenty needed 3 runs to win. Unfortunately the batsmen took their chances drawing the scores level with two balls remaining and then scrambled through on the last ball to score the winning run. Well bowled Michael 8-1-4-22, Samira 5-1-3-10 and Aleem 3-0-2-6 who were supported by some very good fielding.</p>				

15/2	7 for 131	Hills Barbarians	8 for 128	First innings win
<p>A hard fought win where the guys were rewarded for fighting right to the end.</p> <p>The Hills Barbarians won the toss and sent us into the field. Our bowling attack toiled admirably but was unable to break the Bar bars opening partnership, which put on 72 runs in just 14 overs. Our persistence in the field was finally rewarded in the 15th over when an athletic fielding effort by Adam, off his bowling, resulted in a run out. Our bowling attack then hit its stride; a good tight from Kanav saw the runs dry up at one end, which allowed Alex G to claim three wickets during his four overs at the other. Shane then chimed in to claim the next three wickets, before Daniel took a final wicket in the second last over of their innings. At the completion of their 31 overs the Barbarians were 8/128. All of our bowlers contributed well with Alex G (3/20), Shane (3/15), and Daniel (1/16) taking the wickets.</p> <p>The guys set about chasing the required total in a business like manner, with our opening pair of Aaron and Pranav adding 24 runs for the loss of our first wicket. A series of partnerships between our middle-order batsmen saw us still 44 runs in arrears with 8 overs remaining. Adam and Daniel combined in a swashbuckling partnership that lasted 6 overs before the dismissal of Daniel brought Garath to the crease. He and Adam then brought the match to a nail-biting conclusion, which saw us pass their total with one over remaining. Overall, a pleasing result where all of the team contributed to the win with the majority of our batsmen reaching double figures.</p>				

15/1	2 for 78	Guildford Leagues	7 for 74	First innings win
<p>This one-day game saw a clinical win by Baulkho. After losing the toss and bowling first, tight bowling by every bowler restricted Guildford's total to 7/74 after 31 overs. "New boy" Alan did best with 2/3 off 3 overs, with Tom, Alex, Hari and Luke all contributing with a wicket each with a run-out thrown in for what was a good team bowling and fielding effort. Baulkho batted like they wanted to be home for the start of the 2nd grade AFL Grand Final, let alone the main game, quickly rattling up 2/78 over only 12 overs. After a breezy opening partnership of 20 between Owen and Alex, Tom replaced Owen and the 2nd wicket partnership was 45 runs in 16 mins and 5 overs! Alex's dismissal for 31 saw Evan and Tom steer the side home for a comfortable win. Great effort by Tom who compiled a brilliant 32no and took 3 sharp catches in slips to add to his wicket with the ball.</p> <p>Round 1 vs Pendle Hill Colts</p> <p>We won the toss and elected to bat on a hot day for an early season match. We lost an early wicket but Owen Butler and Jacob Astill steadied the ship for a 36 run stand before Owen went for a well made 22. Jacob then supported Tom Gurka for another 36 runs before he was finally out for a solid 27. The highlight of the innings was the 80 run partnership between Tom and Evan Platt, which ended when Tom was caught trying to accelerate the run rate. He made a chanceless 66. Evan followed soon after for a stylish 40 runs. We managed to bat out all the overs to be a solid 9/185 at stumps.</p> <p>The next week we started brilliantly taking a wicket in the first over. They never really recovered with their highest partnership being their last wicket for 22 runs. They were all out for 73. Best of the bowlers were Owen Butler 3/6 (6 overs) and Hari Raja 3/17(4 overs). Tom Gurka took 3 catches at first slip. We sent them in for the outright but wickets didn't fall steadily enough. We still managed to take 6 wickets for just 63 runs. Jacob Astill (2/21) and Owen Butler (2/4) were the best of the bowlers and Tom took another 2 catches in slips giving him a total of 5 for the day. A convincing first innings win to kick off the season - well done boys, lets keep it going.</p>				

16/1	6 for 172	Norwest	7 for 176	First innings loss
<p>T Josan 52 M Pobihuszka 2/20 K Yadav 2/27</p>				

C	6 for 126	Guildford Leagues	10 for 122	First innings win
<p>Joe Gurka 39, Tom Gurka 30 n.o. Luke McNaught 3/11, Brett McNaught 3/32</p> <p>Round 1 vs AKA Sports</p> <p>We've been waiting all off season for the moment to arrive when the dads can play cricket with their boys and hopefully show them how its done. We won the toss and elected to field and managed to get amongst the wickets pretty early with Owen Butler and Brett McNaught making early breakthroughs. The Gurka connection of Tom and Joe managed to pick up a further 3 wickets between them before the star with the ball, Evan Platt ripped through the middle order clean bowling 3 batsmen in 2 overs. Tim Littlejohns cleaned up the tail taking 2/9 and we had them all out for 94 in 35 overs. Martin Ams was brilliant in the field taking 2 catches and giving away no runs. We had about an hour to bat on the first day and got off to a shocker. What sort of shot was that, Brett?? A second ball duck to our opener exposed our middle order early to a tear away 17 year old. He ripped through our top order and mamed Owen who retired hurt for the day. We were reeling at 4/16 when Martin Ams and Evan Platt came together to take us cautiously through to stumps and a little recovered at 4/34.</p> <p>The next week started badly with Martin falling early and a further 3 wickets soon after having us 8/52 and still well short of their score. Tim Littlejohns joined Evan Platt and they put on a valuable 16 runs before Evan was finally dismissed for a brave and determined 25. Come in our number 11, Peter Butler (father of Owen), who has never played a game of outdoor cricket before. Peter gave Tim great support as Tim started to attack the bowling with a string of boudaries. We suddenly went from 28 runs to win to 7 runs to win in a matter of just 3 overs. Then the remarkable happened - Peter pulled their opening bowler for 4 bringing the crowd (maybe 15) to their feet. 3 runs to win and memories of Edgbaston came to mind. Next ball - alas!! Peter got an edge and was caught at the wicket and Baulko lost by 2 runs. We sent them back into bat in the hope we might roll them for a quick run chase. Whilst we still got amongst them, time ran out too quickly and we agreed to call it quits with them on 6/89. Martin Ams grabbed 2 wickets (2/6) in his first bowl for 10 years. Whilst the game was lost, we had great fun and were not disgraced. We will improve as the season goes on. So far, the boys are outshining the dads!!</p>				

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B16	10 for 107, 10 for 134	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 303	Outright loss
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B15	7 for 299	Norwest	10 for 136	First innings win
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B14	10 for 93, 10 for 41	Norwest	10 for 128, 5 for 186	Outright loss
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B11	8 dec 192	Norwest	6 for 196	First innings loss
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B9	9 dec 131	Kings Langley	10 for 104	First innings win
<p>C.White 47, B. Gallard 25 M.Bracken 6/45</p> <p>Undefeated after two rounds, and, although we had another shaky batting performance, we definitely deserved this win.</p> <p>We elected to bat and despite a controversial wicket in the first over moved quickly to 29. However, the top order collapse inevitably ensued, as we crumbled to 5/41. Enter Braith and Whitey. The first a seasoned veteran who showed the youngsters how it's done by occupying the crease for 17 overs for a well-compiled 25. The latter, our flashy fast bowling fast batting captain, who dispatched the bowlers to all parts, and was unlucky not to make 50, caught on 47. Together they resurrected our hopes with an 82 run stand, but unfortunately the Mahony Brothers tail could not wag, and we were dismissed for 131.</p> <p>Kings Langley revealed their trump card early in the form of their hard-hitting opener, and at stumps on the first day the game was evenly poised, with the opener still in and their score at 3/62.</p> <p>Matt and Whitey picked up their ferocious fast bowling on day 2 where they had left off, and before long made serious inroads into the opposition. Pace and accuracy were rewarded in this low scoring game, as our openers bowled 7 of Kings Langley's batsmen. Solid fielding and good catching supported the bowlers, who comfortably took the game for us, Matt making the best possible return to opening the bowling with 6/45, and Whitey backing up his batting effort with 4/58. Kings Langley were keen to call it a day after falling 27 short, and knowing they could offer little resistance to these bowling machines. And we threw them a lifeline, with some people eager to make their nightly appointments.</p> <p>A good effort to follow up the first win boys, with a victory that was far more convincing then the scorebook suggested. However, we must improve our resolve and concentration with the bat. 131 every week will not win us the comp.</p>				

B8	10 for 80, 2 for 72	Winston Hills	10 for 214	First innings loss
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B7	10 for 287	Kellyville	10 for 67	First innings win
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B6	4 for 189	The Bulls	5 for 172	First innings win
D. Tipton 71 B. King 46 1st wicket partnership between D. Tipton & B. King: 114 Confusion over the venue reduced this game to a one day match at the unfamiliar Crestwood Oval and we knew that it was going to be a bit of a slogathon with only 32 overs allocated to each side. The Bulls elected to bat and began to amass a large total on a ground with a dead pitch, fast outfield and smallish boundaries. Brett McLaren was the best of our bowlers with two wickets and a reasonable economy rate, while the rest were largely pasted to every corner of the ground. Cameron effected a rare direct hit run out, while Darren and Jeremy combined for another, but once again way too many catches were spilt. The Bulls ended on a formidable 5/172 and we were looking down the barrel of our second defeat from as many matches. However no one told Darren and Brian, who put on a sensational partnership of 114 in just 15 overs at an unbelievable rate of 7.60 runs per over. Fours and sixes went to all points of the compass, but very few risks were taken. Brian was eventually dismissed just short of a deserved fifty, ending a partnership that really made victory in this game a formality. Darren went on to a superb 71 including nine fours and two sixes before finally holing out, more through tiredness than anything else. Richard (18), Brett Stapleton (16*) and Jim (12*) saw us over the line with three overs to spare. A great win to get our season on track, but our bowling and fielding still needs a lot of work.				

B5	10 for 137, 3 for 51	The Bulls	10 for 54, 10 for 125	Outright win
The B5's are back in the winners circle this round after a close loss in round one. Winning the toss the cap took the bat so we could listen to the Swans beat West Coast. Unfortunately things didn't pan out that way and at 2/1 no one was thinking about the swans. We clawed our way to 137 thanks to some big hitting from Brad (33) and Ads (40) though we were still out quickly with the last wicket falling just after drinks (Half time in the swans game). With the swans score banned from being yelled from the sideline we set about tearing the bulls apart, and ended up doing so in 17 overs for 54 allowing us to hear the last 3 minutes of the game. GO THE SWANS. Play finished straight after with the ump (of all people) calling light. Day 2 saw the chance of outright and early beers. Pat and Sach picked up where they left off with shorter spells allowing some new people to take the ball. Homsey bowled well and at one stage had figures of 2/0 from 3 overs. The bulls were 5/23 before a slog session from their No 6 forced us to bat again. Ads chimed in with his customary 2 wickets (He's done it every time we've played at this ground) that included a great caught and bowled, the batsman were literally half way through their second run before the ball came out of the sky for Ads to catch. Chasing 43 for outright the batting order was rearranged and 3 wickets were lost before we reached 50 and the win. Dushant carried his bat in the second dig with 24no. 3 things must be mentioned about this win. 1. Our batting needs abit of improvement. 2. Griggys is the unluckiest guy in B5 cricket after getting out to the 2 best catches of the season and not getting a wicket when his bowling deserved 5. 3. Give Homsey a chance and he's show you he's got some good cricket in him as a photo of his amazing catch this game will surely make its way around the club. Thanks again to our fill-ins Dushant, Ash and Hilton with Ash actually having played more cricket with us than over 2/3rds of our rostered team this season. 1st Innings P.Mamo 5/19, S.Hilbrink 5/35 A.Shearman 40, B.Murphy 33 2nd Innings M.Homsey 3/24, A.Shearman 2/5, J.Thornthwaite 2/29 D.Rao 24no, B.Murphy 14no				

B4	7 dec 265	Parramatta Leagues	7 for 270	First innings loss
Keenan Galas: 83 Dave Higginbotham: 2-20 Super declaration that.				

B1	10 for 242	Parramatta Golf	10 for 330	First innings loss

A Res	10 for 199	Kings Langley	7 for 172	Draw
<p>What started out as a great game of cricket turned out to be a boring, forgettable match-up. This is the first time our team has experienced a team playing for a draw at the start of the second day. A disappointing and somewhat unbelievable decision when the Kings Langley Powder Puffs target was a miserly 200 runs.</p> <p>We won the toss and decided to bat on an overcast day. J-Dub (38) got us off to a good start with Bart Simpson (81) continuing the good work with Bag (34) providing moral support. At 5-192 after 50 overs we were looking at a sizeable total.</p> <p>In failing light and keeping with team tradition, we lost our next 5 wickets for 7 runs in 2 overs. Some may say this was a poor effort but I would say that it was a miracle of sorts. How else can you describe the loss of 5 batsman who would normally put on 150 plus between them to a tiring medium pace bowling attack, praise the lord I say. The excellent plan from our lower order to give us one over at the Powder Puffs came to fruition. The result was a wicket on the last ball of the day with poor light stopping play at 5:15.</p> <p>Day two saw the re-emergence of the sun for what turned out to be a long day in the field. You would think there is a limit to the amount of catches you can drop in a year, the good news is that limit has been reached after this fielding effort. We turned half chances into no chances and certainties into embarrassment in a forgettable fielding effort. This was a total reversal from last games excellent fielding performance.</p> <p>Our bowling was tight but lacking in fire with the only real highlight being the return of Desperate Housewife's Mike Delfino who grabbed three quick wickets in the middle overs when the game progression was very, very slow.</p> <p>However, we did manage to get in 66 overs on day two with the Powder Puffs putting on 172 runs and calling it quits again with 3 wickets still in hand. Somewhat unbelievable that they wouldn't have a slog with only 30 to get and take up the bad light option when they were nine down. But I guess both teams made mistakes, if we batted for fifteen more minutes until bad light stopped play on day one the win would have been ours. Game drawn, lets hope this is the last time it happens.</p>				

A	2 for 173	Greystanes	10 for 164	First innings win