

The Third Man's Report

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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	14/1	5 for 247 (31 overs)
B16	Outright win	14/3	Wenty Waratahs 10 for 34

Individual Achievements

Sumit Kalia	A	51 no	D Smith	B14	54
Andrew Pittman	A Res	64	A Meakins	B17	5/23
Nathan Blake	A Res	6/23	S Fernandez	B17	5/35
Pat Mamo	B5	7/17	Tom Gurka	C	78
Graham Baker	B5	69	Sean Abbott	14/1	128
Sam Freeman	B7	61	Nick Bertus	14/1	51
Greg McLoughlin	B7	50	Abbott/Bertus	1st wkt partnership -	164
S Koralege	B14	56	Asad Rizvi	12/1	5/13

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
22 October 2005	B17	Under 12/1
29 October 2005	B9	Under 11/1A
05 November 2005	B8	11/1B
12 November 2005	B15	11/2
19 November 2005	B7	10 Red
26 November 2005	B6	15/2

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
22 October 2005	B1
05 November 2005	B4
19 November 2005	B8
03 December 2005	B11

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.

Shopping Trip

The planned shopping trip in November has been cancelled due to lack of responses. Apologies to those who were looking forward to it.

Have-A-Go Clinic – Registration Night – Friday October 28

Once again we will be running the Milo Have-A-Go clinic for 5 to 8 year olds on Friday nights. The clinic begins with a Registration Night on Friday October 28, at Charles McLoughlin Oval. Jeff Warland will again run the clinics, along with his merry band of assistants.

If you have any queries, you can contact Jeff by e-mail at haveago@baulkocricicket.com.au or our Junior secretary at juniors@baulkocricicket.com.au or check out the Have-A-Go page on our web site.

We are looking for helpers to run the sessions. Last season we had several parents and Under 16 and 15 players assisting. The sessions run 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.

Caught In Slips

(All the latest from around the club)

Welcome to all the players, parents and supporters who are new to Baulko this season. We hope you enjoy your cricket and stay with us for the long term. A special mention to the B16's who have come to us from the Hornsby comp.

A massive job to get 30 teams on the park this year. Thanks to Senior Registrar Jason Currey, Junior Secretary, Equipment Officer Terry Webb and everyone else who was involved in the grading, selection & other tasks.

If you want to find out what is happening at Baulko, log on to the website at: www.baulkocricket.com.au.

Speaking of new players, Graham Howard joined us this season. Not only did he take on the job of captain (B14), but also volunteered to coach the U15/2. Well done Graham.

Quietly listening to Sports Today on 2UE on September 30, when an announcement of the winner of the West Tigers gear was made. "The winner is Glenn Kennaway of Castle Hill". Now that is a familiar name. Surely not two of them! A quick phone call found a very excited Tigers supporter. And he thanked his wife Kirralee for writing down the questions (and correct answers).

Good to see Luke Dempsey has made a recovery from a "school yard incident" which left him injured and out of cricket for a few weeks. But then father Mark damaged his back. How was it done – just getting up from a chair was it? Must be just the marching on of father time.

B7 captain Sam Freeman had a real struggle getting a team together for round 3. With 8 of the 12 teams members unavailable, a desperate search for players was conducted. C grade, B9 & U16 provided the fill ins, except that a last minute withdrawal left only 10 players. Quickly he was on the mobile with an S.O.S. to Greg McLoughlin who was unavailable for week 2, but was coming to the game. "It's 1.20pm, we're short, your in, we've won the toss, we're batting & your opening." Luckily he was nearby and made it in time (except for his bat which came in mum's taxi). Seemed it did him no harm, as he made 50.

Shock, horror. It finally happened. The U14/1 team lost its first ever game. After over 3 seasons undefeated, they fell in a close one-dayer. Now if they match the 3 years undefeated, it would take them to the end on U16's!

Have-A-Go registrations take place at Charles McLaughlin Reserve on Friday October 28, starting at 6.15pm. The program commences on November 4, at the same venue.

It seems that Michael Homsy (B5) took a super catch this season. And it was caught on camera. Ask Homsy for a look.

Steve Hobbs (B1) made a good 50 recently. However, he pulled a calf muscle while batting & needed a runner. Out came Mitch Walters to do the job. But did Mitch actually raise the bat when Hobbsy reached 50?

C Grade has a number of our U15 team, playing with their fathers. In round 2, we had the Gurka's - Joe 39 & Tom 30 no. top scoring with the bat, while the McNaught's – Brett 3/32 & Luke 3/11 starred with the ball. Good doubles!

Looking forward to the next match report from A Reserve. So far we have seen them play the "Sugar Plum Fairies" & the "Powder Puffs". Who is the next opponent?

Thanks to the Aussies for their wins over the Rest of The World. At least it silenced (well slightly) the Australian chairman of the Barmy Army – Graham Baker.

PDCA rep trials were held over the last few weeks. Good luck to all those trialists

Congratulations to Tom Gurka (U15/1), Max Pobihuszka (U16/1) & Mat Scholz (U16/1) on their selection in the Parramatta A.W. Green Shield squad (U16).

The U14/1 may have lost a match, but the opening partnership in Round 1 will take a lot of beating. Sean Abbott (188) & Nick Bertus (128) put on 318 in just 50 overs. Can anyone better that!

Get back to the Sporto each week after the game & support the club. Don't forget the raffle held on the first Saturday of each senior game. Come back and hear about the games played. Support your club!

Unfortunately, we have been experiencing some problems with grounds – especially North Rocks Park. Council has been carrying out maintenance works, which unfortunately have not taken account of the disruption to cricket. We are hopeful it might be completed in a few more weeks. We apologise to the teams affected by it.

Disappointing that the proposed Shopping Tour had to be cancelled due to lack of interest. Hopefully we will see a good response to the NSW Cricket raffle. Come on, get those tickets sold & the money back to Leigh Griggs.

The committee is planning to replace the Senior double wicket with a Seniors v Colts match on the turf pitch in February. The selectors are looking at the form to come up with the sides. So practice hard!

Congratulations to Yvette and Adam Shearman from B5 on the arrival of their little girl, Emalie Eva. Despite a false start with a runaway e-mail announcing the birth several days early, all are doing well.

Also making news in B5 are Fiona and Sacha, who recently announced their engagement. Congratulations.

It is very disappointing that some seniors have not paid their registration fees yet. After all, it has been close on 6 weeks since the season commenced. Come on, get your money to your captain or any of the committee. As list of all defaulters will be given to captains at next monthly meeting (November 1).

If you have some interesting items for inclusion in the Owzatt, contact the editor (owzatt@baulkocricicket.com.au) or the president (president@baulkocricicket.com.au).

Match Results and Reports

10 Blue	3 for 47	Kings Langley	2 for 42	Loss on averages
<p>Baulko batted first in a low scoring game. Michael (1) and Mitchell (3) opened the batting for Baulko. The boys continue to value their wickets and we only lost 3 wickets. Other run scorers were Joe (1), Siddhant (1) and Tanveer (4).</p> <p>Baulko's turn to bowl and Sumal (0 for 2) and Tanveer (0 for 6) opened the bowling. Despite some accurate bowling we only managed to claim 2 wickets and although scoring more runs we lost on averages. The best bowler was Joe (2 for 2) while Sumal, Joe and Michael (0 for 1) all bowled maiden overs.</p> <p>A big thanks to Paul McConnell for helping out with the unavailability of the coach.</p>				

10 Red	2 for 66	Winston Hills	9 for 49	Win on averages
<p>Another very solid win for the boys, with all areas of the game improving, notably the bowling - a lot less wides and no balls.</p> <p>Batting award to Owen Smith with 10.</p> <p>Josh Koski 6 John Hollins 5 Tom Waddups 5</p> <p>Bowling award to Mitchell Taylor 1-3 and much improved line and speed.</p> <p>Liam Graham 2-0 Owen Smith 1-0 Josh Koski 1-1 Luke Bertus 1-1</p>				

10 White	8 for 71	Guildford Leagues	5 for 23	Win on averages
<p>Again well played. Unfortunately Guildford only had 8 players, however they played well.</p> <p>Guildford batted first and after their 18 overs we restricted them to 23, with 9 runs of the bat. 2 wickets to Kunal and one to Tarush and a good run out by Dan / Sean.</p> <p>Our batting was sound however there were 4 run outs and 3 bowled. We need to take care when running and remember block the straight ones. Batting scores: Sachin 4n/o, Dan 5, Sean 4n/o, Kunal 1n/o, Blaine 1, Nicholas 5n/o, Yuvn 1n/o, and Vithushan 2 n/o.</p> <p>Thanks to all team members for helping Guildford out in the field.</p>				

11/2	10 for 55	Greystanes	6 for 129	First innings loss
<p>Winning the toss and electing to bowl found the Greystanes opposition at 2 for 16 of 8 overs, a good decision by the captain. From there, too many sundries and a good batting display, netted a run chase of 129.</p> <p>It was terrific to see all our players have a bowl with Yardivan taking 3 for 12 off 4 overs and Tim 2 for 19.</p> <p>The fielding was much improved with Greg taking a tremendous diving catch at mid wicket.</p> <p>Greystanes bowled very accurately pinning our batsmen down, with Sumedh keeping them at bay for 18 overs.</p> <p>Points for improvement: Back up behind the stumps and play straight.</p>				

11/1B	8 for 98	Wenty Waratahs	8 for 82	First innings win
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11/1A	7 for 76	Norwest	1 for 77	First innings loss
<p>Baulko lost toss and were sent in and had a very sound start with Blake & Jonathan putting on an opening partnership of 39. After that we couldn't really get any momentum mainly due to some very accurate bowling and some batting that probably lacked a bit of confidence!</p> <p>However we did reach a total of 76 for 7 off our overs which was quite a respectable score due to the large boundaries and slow outfield.</p> <p>In the field we also did well conceding only 10 wides & no balls altogether and kept the scoring rate right down, however they just crept over the line with an over to spare. We were only able to get 1 wicket and if a few catches were held and a few byes were kept to a minimum might have made a different result!</p> <p>So it was our first loss of the season but I'm sure the boys learnt a lot from it, and importantly they never gave up right up to the last ball - well done.</p> <p>I have to mention Shannon's great catch off Geoffrey in the gully - very sharp!</p>				

12/2	8 for 58	Winston Hills	7 for 57	First innings win
<p>Bowling Ryan Bailey 8 overs 3 maidens 4 for 9. Michael Waddups 4 overs 2 maidens 2 for 2.</p> <p>Batting Jake Bailey 16.</p> <p>Some excellent bowling and fielding set up our third straight win for the season. Another outstanding pace bowling performance from Ryan Bailey. Despite some tense moments chasing the 58 run victory target we managed to achieve it with 2 wickets in hand and 4 overs to spare. The batting was led by 16 from Jake Bailey and a fine effort of 5 not out from Dineth Dayananda which saw us to victory.</p>				

12/1	5 for 52	Pendle Hill Colts	9 for 114	First innings loss
<p>We lost the toss and Pendle Hill decided to bat. After a great start we had them 2 for 5 after 12 minutes of play but let them slip away to post a total of 9 for 114. Great bowling by Asad with figures of 5 for 13. Well done Asad.</p> <p>Our batting was slow with a lack of urgency. In this one day match with a decent total to chase it became a hard task ahead which we were not able to achieve. We definitely need to improve our batting and we will be concentrating a great deal on that part of our game at training.</p>				

13/2	6 for 148	AKA Sports	10 for 68	First innings win
<p>Down to only 9 players due to injury and holiday engagements the boys were determined to carry on where they left off in the previous game. After winning the toss and batting on wet, windy morning we were always in control. Openers Elliot and Daniel set a good foundation with another 50 partnership. After Daniel's departure Elliot batted on to score his second 50 in as many games. Despite a slight stumble in the middle order sensible hitting from Toby and Matthew saw us reach the sizeable total of 6 for 148 after our allotted overs.</p> <p>After a short break it was time to unleash our attack on their batsmen. A fiery opening spell from Elliot and Alex well backed up by Toby and Adam tore through their top and middle order leaving Matthew and Kiveshan to finish off the tail for an excellent team performance!</p> <p>Special mention to Dillon who played his first game of rather club and to Vrushank who was outstanding in the field</p> <p>BATTING Elliot 72 Daniel 16 Matthew 14 Toby 14(not out)</p> <p>BOWLING Elliot 2 for 12, Alex 1 for 9, Adam 2 for 7, Toby for 7, Matthew 1 for 12, Kiveshan 1 for 2</p>				

13/1	6 for 106	Kings Langley	4 for 107	First innings loss
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14/3	3 for 36	Wenty Waratahs	10 for 34	First innings win
<p>Matt took on the role of captain today and continued the team's good luck this year by winning the toss again and putting a full strength Wenty side into bat on a wicket that was damp to say the least from overnight and early morning rain.</p> <p>With only 9 players due to school holidays we needed to contain our opponents early and not let them get away on us. Well the boys did exactly that with some accurate bowling all round. Kieran and Adam started off bowling 2 maidens before Adam clean bowled the Wenty opener for a duck. Two overs later Adam was at it again with a good full ball to bowl their No 3 batsmen. Just before Wenty's dangerous batsman got going Kieran took out his middle stump to have Wenty reeling at 3/7 after 8 overs.</p> <p>Just as things were starting to settle down for Wenty, Robert cleaned bowled another batsman and Kieran ran out another one just one run later and Wenty were in all sorts of trouble at 5/21. Again Wenty settled down and we needed to bring Adam back on before another 2 wickets fell in his 6th over. Then it was time to bring our other bowlers into play with both Luke and Daniel not content to watch the wickets fall, they too got straight into the action. Luke produced a great ball to bowl his opponent, but one of the highlights of the day was Daniel coming on with Wenty on 8/34 and claiming both wickets in his first and only over. Dan's first wicket came through some good work by Cameron behind the stumps to remove the bails with the batsman out of his crease. A couple of balls later Daniel produced a great ball to rattle the furniture of his opponent and send Wenty out for a total of just 34 runs. Great stuff.</p> <p>Matt took up the challenge of opening the batting with Kieran to have some time at the crease. Kieran was deceived by a good spinning delivery to be caught behind for 1. Matt did really well defending the ball until he was bowled to a good full ball for 1 and we were all of a sudden 2/4 on a very tough wicket. Adam joined Luke at the crease and played some good strokes before the ball rolled back onto his stumps and we were 3/9 after 10 overs. Paul joined Luke and these two guys lead the team brilliantly showing great patience and in Paul's case great luck to see us pass Wenty's target without losing another wicket. This was a great effort by both boys as it was such a tough wicket to score runs on and it was their first go of the bat for the season.</p> <p>Well done to win so convincingly with only 9 players. Match stat's –Adam 4/9 off 7 overs, Kieran 1/5 off 5 overs, Robert 1/0 off 5 overs, Luke 1/4 off 2 overs and off course Daniel Gibb 2/0 of just 5 balls! Paul 13 not out and Luke 10 not out.</p>				

14/1	5 for 247	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 81	First innings win
<p>Sean Abbott 128 (70 balls) Nick Bertus 51 (48 balls) First wicket partnership 164 runs</p> <p>We won the toss for the third time this season and elected to bat. Sean & Nick opened the batting making their intentions known scoring 8 from the first over. Sean blasted his way to fifty from just 39 balls, this was so quick he did not know why we were clapping him. Nick also scoring faster than a run a ball and soon reached his fifty from 48 balls. A couple of balls later Sean hit a huge 6 to be 102 runs from just 61 balls, his second 50 coming off 22 balls. After a brilliant opening stand of 164 runs from 18 overs the partnership was broken when Nick (51) was out LBW. Ben joined his brother at the crease and for a short 11 minutes adding 36 runs when Sean was caught on 128 from just 70 balls in 80 minutes. Aleem (5) came to the crease looking to good but gave them a chance and they took the catch. Sam (14) played some great shots pushing for runs but was unfortunately bowled with only 3 overs to go. Ben (16 from 19 balls) batted very well playing each ball on its merit but was unfortunately caught pushing for those extra runs at the end of an innings. Well batted Teshan (10) and Josh (2) both not out at the end of our innings.</p> <p>Michael & Samira opened the bowling with Michael taking a wicket in his first over. Samira was just unplayable taking a wicket in his 4th over to have both openers gone for ducks. Brendan and Teshan came on next maintaining the pace with Brendan picking up two wickets and Teshan one to have them 5/43 in the 17th over. Ben bowled very well taking two wickets, the first with a great catch by Daniel on the boundary and the second from a sharp stumping by Nick. Aleem took two wickets the second another to Daniel at first slip who somehow reached backwards taking a one handed catch to a very fast ball. Josh knocked over the stumps to take the last wicket to have Pendle Hill Colts all out for 81 in the 29th over. Bowling Michael 5-1-1-13, Samira 5-3-1-4, Brendan 5-2-2-12, Teshan 5-1-1-16, Ben 3-0-2-6, Aleem 2-0-2-13, Daniel 2-0-0-7 and Josh 1.1-0-1-6. A great team effort.</p>				

15/2	6 for 83	Winston Hills	2 for 84	First innings loss
<p>Yet again we lost the toss and this time Winston Hills sent us into bat. Our innings got off to a shaky start with three wickets falling in the first four overs. Things then settled down with Alex B and Mithran forming a partnership that anchored our innings and put on 40 runs. Adam, Daniel and then Gareth then combined in the closing overs to push on and help post a small but defendable total. At the completion of our 31 overs we were 8/83. Our middle order made most of our total with Alex B (22), Mithran (13) and Adam (19) all scoring runs.</p> <p>With a relatively small total to defend we needed to both take wickets and keep the runs down to stay in the game. Early indications were promising with Winston Hills losing a wicket in their first over. However our early optimism was soon deflated, with their remaining opener able to make runs relatively freely. The loss of his partner in the seventh over slowed the pace. Mithran and Adam then capitalised on their hesitancy and produced a tidy spell that saw us still well in the match after the halfway mark. Unfortunately we were unable to maintain the pressure and failed make the most of several opportunities to break the ensuing partnership. By this time the Winston Hills batsmen had settled in and again began to make runs freely. Winston Hills finally passed our total in the 24th over with the loss of two wickets.</p>				

15/1	6 for 148	Seven Hills RSL	10 for 86	First innings win
<p>Seven Hills came into this game having been easily beaten in its first two games. They sent us in to bat and had us in some trouble at 2-17 in the 10th over. A great captains knock of 36 by Luke McNaught steadied the ship. He was abley supported by Matt Gunton who made 10. Luke Dempsey, in his first game back from injury scored at better than a run a ball to make 30 not out. Alex Mihalyka, 19 and Jacob Astill, 10 n.o. also made valuable contributions to a total of 6-148 in 31 overs.</p> <p>When it was their turn to bat, run rate was never an issue. They showed no fear by pulverising our early bowling scoring 48 runs in the first 6 overs. Unfortunately for them, they had no batting depth past their openers and once the breakthrough was made, wickets fell rapidly. They went from 2-69 to all out for 86 in 23 overs. Owen Butler starred with the ball taking 3-3 in 6 overs and Hari Raja mesmerised the batsmen with his leg spin to take 2-7 off 6 overs. Evan Platt also took 2-7. 3rd successive win and a good start to the season. Next game is against last season's premiers and arch rivals Hills Barbarians. We need to improve our bowling and fielding to challenge them.</p>				

16/1	10 for 30	Wenty Waratahs	3 for 31	First innings loss

C	10 for 168	Wenty Waratahs	10 for 233	First innings loss
<p>Alex Mihalyka 4-34 Tom Gurka 78</p> <p>They say catches win matches so as part of their learning experience the team decided to test the theory. There was no rule required to what was dropped, hard ones and easy ones were treated the same and final estimate was that about 12 catches were dropped and at a rough guess it cost the team about 100 runs. Opponents Wenty Waratahs amassed 233 runs in an entertaining manner with great assistance from the fieldsmen off only 48 overs.</p> <p>The lesson was learned by Baulko, which is a team of mixture of experience and youth with the talent to threaten to win this 'C' grade competition once they get the confidence to realise the standard is not much different to their morning comp. The opposition dropped one sharp chance only and won by 65 runs.</p> <p>Wenty lost their last 8 wickets for 87 runs and the damage was done early with the dropped catches. In the run chase on the 2nd week Baulko reached 3 for 102 before their wicketkeeper decided to bowl and took two wickets with his first two balls. Baulko eventually reached 168 off 55 overs.</p> <p>Two 14yos did best on the scoreboard. Tom G batted brilliantly for 78 before an unfortunate runout. Alex took 4 for 34 with the ball before 2nd top-scoring with 27 runs. However every player had their moments contributing positively with bat, ball or in the field.</p> <p>This was an entertaining game which will give the Baulko side genuine hope that they will do well in this comp despite their one win-two loss start to the season.</p> <p>Round 2 vs Guildford Leagues</p> <p>We lost the toss and fielded. It took a while to get the first wicket which fell in the 11th over with the score on 28. We then proceeded to take wickets regularly having them 7-68 in the 28th over thanks to great bowling by Brett McNaught who bowled 12 straight overs to take 3-32. A frustrating 8th wicket partnership of 51 saw them recover to 119 before Luke McNaught (son of Brett) took the last 3 wickets finishing with 3-11 off 6 overs. They were eventually all out for 122. We should have had them out for less except for some poor umpiring decisions, dropped catches and some players more focussed on the AFL grand final than fielding. Owen Butler and Joe Gurka had to face 8 overs until bad light stopped play. We were 0-11 at the end of the day.</p> <p>Owen was unable to play the second week, so Troy Higginbotham went in with Joe. They took the score to 30 before the loss of Troy's wicket. Evan Platt looked steady and safe before being stumped for 5 and then the Gurka combination of Joe and Tom looked like they would bring home the bacon when Joe was fooled by a flighted ball outside off stump to be out for 39. Alex Mihalyka and Martin Ams gave Tom valuable support before a suspect LBW decision saw Martin out for 4. Tom then found a solid partner in Chris Slaviero. They reached the target in the 56th over, with Tom making 30 not out. Our first win of the season which will give us confidence for future games.</p>				

B17	10 for 95, 10 for 73	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 66, 2 for 114	First innings win, Outright loss

B16	10 for 202, 2 dec 117	Norwest	10 for 137, 10 for 99	Outright win

B15		BYE		BYE

B14	10 for 181, 10 for 211	Pendle Hill Colts	6 dec 332, 5 for 87	Outright loss

B11	10 for 85, 10 for 106	Greystanes	10 for 230	Outright loss
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B9		BYE		BYE
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B8		BYE		BYE
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B7	10 for 214	Granville Pats	10 for 144	First innings win
<p>ROUND 2: Baulkham Hills 287 (G McLoughlin 72, A.Wilkins 66, M Hardy 52 no) def Kellyville 67 (B. Dooley 5-20, J. Thomson 3-11)</p> <p>Game was moved to Harold West and no umpires showed up so had to umpire ourselves. Won the toss and batted on the Swans big day. Noddy and Wilko opened and were out there for a while. The bowling attack was better than the score suggests and a bit of luck saw the openers get their eye in. The return of an ex Baulko/Emerging Blues player from juniors did nothing to deter them, as he was smacked all around the park. Noddy fell for a well made 72 (scored double the amount of sixes than he had in his life) and a partnership of 124. Pity he missed most of the Swans Grand Final, after providing TV for everyone. Sam, Dooley and Joel all got into the teens before throwing away their wickets away before Hardy joined Wilko out in the middle just after he passed 50. Wilko next out for 66 and then we had a collapse due to the fading light. 9-278 at close of play with Hardy 46 no. Next week we had 1 over and Hardy got to 52no before we were all out for 287. Well batted by all the team.</p> <p>Into the field we went and bowled superbly, with Dooley bowling the whole innings. Dooley 5-20 (11.2overs), Will 2-26 (8) and Tanga 3-11 (3) made sure it was an early finish as they rattled the stumps 9 times out of the 10 wickets. All out for 67 it a very well polished performance, we opted against going for outright and chose to go home. Great win by over 200 runs. Thanks to Josh for filling in for this game.</p> <p>Mahony (B9) and Charles for being available to fill in for our team. Bye in Round 4!</p> <p>ROUND 1: Baulkham Hills 147 (B Dooley 66) lost to NSW Tamils 238 (S.Freeman 3-37)</p> <p>Sent into the field on the first day of the new season with a few new faces to the semi final losers of the previous years. Welcome to Dan and Tanga who were not in the squad last season and welcome back to Wilko after recovering from ligament damage to his knee.</p> <p>Bowling was a bit all over the shop today, with no one having bowled for a long time. Enter Sam who brought himself on in desperate times and got a wicket in his first over. He went on to get 3-37. Will bowled well for his 2-33 and Ben Dooley got 1-56. Keith showed the usual energy from the previous season and chipped in with 2 wickets. Noddy and Wilko both chipped in with a wicket each to pass their combined tally from the past season as the Tamils cruised to 238 all out.</p> <p>2nd week saw Wilko open, and Dooley joined him as he had to leave early. Looking good at 0-80 after 10 or so overs. Dooley fell for 66 including 5 sixes in about 45mins! Wilko was next to go with 19 and then Noddy went for 4 after a disastrous runout where he dropped his bat and collided with a very fired up bowler. No one showed real determination to stick around after the great start and the only resistance was from Dooley with 66 and Joel with 33. 9 out (all out) for 147. Everything needs improving.</p>				

B6	10 for 86, 10 for 89	NSW Tamils	9 dec 226	Outright loss
<p>A very disappointing result. With Brett Stapleton, Dean Stapleton and Brett McLaren out we where always going to find it difficult losing three middle order batters and change bowlers. Only highlight of the first week was Jeremy's and Darren's catches both one handed screamers. Darren McInerney on debut showed signs of enthusiasm in the field and so did a few others. Thanks to Darren McInerney for filling in. Congratulations to the NSW Tamils who where the better team simply because they did three things better than us, batted, bowled and field.</p>				

B5	10 for 253	Winston Hills	10 for 66, 10 for 105	Outright win
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A Res	10 for 279	Guildford Leagues	10 for 146	First innings win
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Game three and finally the hallowed turf at the home of Baulko cricket was ready for play. Charles McLoughlin was the place to be and the Guildford Leagues Girl Guides were the opponents. The pitch was a soft green top so we thought we would get first use on a windy day. After a solid start with wickets tumbling, we were looking at chasing around a hundred runs. Our usual retarded fielding efforts let the Girl Guides back into the contest with a total score of 147.

Nat King Blake (6/26) starred with the ball in the difficult conditions. Bart Simpson (2/15) once again proved his worth in cleaning up the tail.

Once again J-Dub (28) and The Pitts (68) got us off to a flyer with things looking sweet at none for 49. Things got a little uglier an over later at 3 for 49 with 3 of our more prized wickets disappearing to some interesting umpiring decisions. Bag (21) and The Pitts saw out the rest of the day to have the game evenly poised at 3/80.

Day two brought the whitewash. Confidently passing their measly total 6 wickets down with quality still in the sheds was satisfying. The Pitts was still at the crease when the winning runs were hit in what was a patient display of batting. So satisfying was the win that we decided to bat on and have a shot at the outright. Runs to all including Glenn "I Might Not Play This Year" Kennaway (45) and Nick "Im Really A Lefthander" Connellan (38).

The highlight of this batting display would have to be the confusion that is Nick Connellan. The bloke can't decide if he is a right or left handed batsman, so he thought he'd try both. The bowler thought he was being a fool to stand on the wrong side of the bat and gave him a short ball at head height that was savagely pulled left handed to the fence in what was the shot of the day.

The Girl Guides may not have been happy about us batting through our ten wickets and scoring 289 runs, but too bad. All your batsman had a hit so all of ours got a hit too. It ain't our fault you were not good enough to make this a contest and there is always lawn bowls if you don't enjoy fielding. Till next time.

A	10 for 120	Guildford Leagues	10 for 336	First innings loss
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