

## 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](http://www.baulkocricicket.com.au) The site will be updated regularly, and the club history is being added to as time permits.

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

To see your team's results, go to [www.baulkhamhills.nsw.cricket.com.au](http://www.baulkhamhills.nsw.cricket.com.au), select 'Team Results' then select your team (grade). For details of your team's draw select "Fixtures". For the progressive points ladder select "Ladders".

### To all Captains, Coaches and Managers

#### Match Results

All match results must be uploaded onto the [www.baulkhamhills.nsw.cricket.com.au](http://www.baulkhamhills.nsw.cricket.com.au) website by 12 noon Sunday **following the conclusion of each game**. A brief message stating the match result should also be emailed to [results@baulkocricicket.com.au](mailto:results@baulkocricicket.com.au), together with a short list of outstanding performances. If no results are submitted you get **NO POINTS and your team may be fined!** It is up to you to get the results in on time – the club will not chase you. Please ensure all details are entered correctly, as both teams must agree on the submitted match result.

#### Team Reports

Team reports for this newsletter can be put in the box at the Club or emailed to [owzatt@baulkocricicket.com.au](mailto:owzatt@baulkocricicket.com.au) by Tuesday night after the game. Newsletters will be published during the week after a game.

### Team Performances

16/1B	7/214	12/1	1/151 (dec) & 10/17 & 10/40
15/1	2/255	10 White	Ave 33.5

### Individual Achievements

W Smedley	B2	3/12	R Robertson	16/2	28
B Murphy	B2	2/19	I Masud	15/1	149 & 3/7
M Ritchie	B7	72	A Subramaniam	15/1	51 & 2/25
R Deane	B7	5/35	S Svanetti	15/1	26*
D Tipton	B7	2/7	J Norton	15/1	2/10
R Alawi	B8	64 & 4/33	G Joseph	14/1	3/27 & 53*
R Khan	B8	62	J King	14/1	2/11
R Gunasinghe	B8	6/39	L McCallister	14/1	46
A Thomas	B9	7/38	S Shaheen	14/1	29
J Cutler	B9	2/22	J Smith	13/1	100*
A Subramaniam	B9	28	I Masud	13/1	3/3
R Bailey	B11	2/26	B Peisley	13/1	2/4
A Liyanage	B12	67*	J Farrell	12/1	5/1 & 41
M Djurichkovic	B14	2/23	L Jerome	12/1	2/6 & 2/6 & 38*
M Samuels	B14	2/31	S Burns	12/1	2/7 & 4/5
M Webb	16/1A	28	A Gioffre	12/1	48*
T Lockhart	16/1A	26	A Dhaliwal	11/1	2/5
A Vaidya	16/1A	2/6	G Quinn	11/2	3/1
B Newman	16/1A	2/16	N Jones	11/2	3/10
A Castellarin	16/1B	42	M Dunn	11/2	2/0
J Balzarolo	16/1B	37*	T Shekher	11/2	2/9
B Bestford	16/1B	35	A Mujtaba	10 Red	3/3
T Samuels	16/1B	30	A Biswas	10 Red	2/5
M Sibley	16/1B	3/9	H Sutherland	10 White	23 & 2/3
M Planinic	16/2	57	M Blinman	10 White	12 & 3/4
G McIntyre	16/2	35	J French	10 White	9 & 3/5

## Team Rosters

### 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. This season's canteen duty roster is listed below.

DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON
January 8	No junior games	16/1A
January 15	No junior games	15/1
January 22	B4	10 White
January 29	B2	16/2
February 5	B1	16/1B
February 12	B7	15/2
February 19	B8	14/1
February 26	B11	14/3
March 5	A Grade	13/1
March 12	B13	13/2
March 19 (Sat)	B14	12/1
March 20 (Sun)	B12	12/2
March 26 (Sat)	10 Red	11/1
March 27 (Sun)	10 White	11/2A & 11/2B

#### AM Canteen Duty

DUTY: FROM 8.20 TO 12.00

COLLECTION OF KEYS:

Canteen Coordinator will phone in week prior to organise

RETURN CASH TIN & KEYS TO SPORTS CLUB FRONT DESK

#### PM Canteen Duty

DUTY: 1.15M TO 6.00 PM

COLLECT KEYS & CASH TIN FROM SPORTS CLUB FRONT DESK

RETURN CASH TIN & KEYS TO SPORTS CLUB FRONT DESK

### Meat Raffle Roster

The following teams have been rostered to sell tickets for the Saturday Night Raffle, to be held back at the club after the game. Please make every effort to ensure your team helps out in this important fundraiser for the club.

This season the raffles are only being held on the first week of every senior game. Ticket sales are to start by 6:30pm.

DATE	TEAM
September 11	B1
September 25	B7
October 9	B8
October 23	B10
November 6	B12
November 20	A Grade
December 4	B14
January 22	B11
February 5	B2
February 19	B13
March 5	B4
March 19	B9

## The President's Roundup

A busy period in the first half of February, with Seniors v Colts & Junior double wicket held.

The Seniors v Colts match was held at Charles McLaughlin on Sunday 6 February. The seniors got home in a tight game. I would like to give you the scores, but the scorebook disappeared and nobody says they have it. Seniors batted first and got off to a shaky start but they consolidated to make around 140.

The Colts batted well and were looking the part until Ian Chatman delivered the sucker punch by dismissing young Dan Chatman – caught on the boundary. Ian celebrated the wicket and assisted Daniel with directions to the dressing sheds! The only casualty was Jeremy Billings who wore a ball on the sunglasses & cut the bridge of his nose

Thanks to Andrew McLellan for organising the Seniors and Greg McLoughlin for the Colts.

The junior double wicket competitions were held on Sunday 13 February. The Intermediate competition was completed, whilst the junior comp was stopped after the semis due to persistent rain & joint winners were declared. Thanks to all who helped run the day, especially junior secretary Phil Waddups.

Well done to the Parramatta Durham Shield team (U19) who won the NSW DCA competition with a comprehensive victory over Camden in the final.

Well done to the Parramatta DCA U13 Twenty20 team who were undefeated in winning the inaugural NSW DCA Twenty/20 competition at Maryong in January. BHCC were represented by four players from the 13/1s, Michael Bellam (Captain), Chris Blinman, Brad Ripps and Daniel Waddups. All boys reportedly played well and were instrumental in the team's victory.

Our Baulko website has lots of information & is constantly updated by webmaster Rick Thomas. Have a look at [www.baulkocricket.com.au](http://www.baulkocricket.com.au). Our website also has a link to the new PDCA website, (<http://pdca.nsw.cricket.com.au>), where results, tables and scoresheets can be viewed.

Peter McLoughlin  
President

## Junior Double Wicket Report

A massive rollup for the junior section of the double wicket comp, with 28 keen and eager young men registering for a game. Many had never played this format before, but were keen to get stuck in once the rules had been explained and their playing partners had been determined by a highly sophisticated statistical seeding model.

First round was to sort those that would proceed through to the prestigious Cup playoffs, and those going through to fight it out for the Plate. Jake Smith set the scene with a couple of towering sixes in the first innings of the first game. This was watched on in awe by some of the younger players, with tactics quickly being realigned as a result. There were a couple of close games in this section, and also some highly fancied teams going down to their unheralded rivals.

At the end of the seven games, we had 8 teams going into the Cup – the highest scoring losing team in Round 1 (Gioffre and Jagdahl) getting a wildcard entry – and 6 teams proceeding to the Plate. Now that all teams had had one game under their belt, we saw confidence levels grow and another step up in competitiveness. The quarter finals saw some low-scoring close games, highlighted by a 4-all draw in the Plate between Waddups/Balzarolo v Wijesira/Bultitude. Match officials had to quickly consult the documented playing conditions to determine that the result would be settled by a one 'super-over' play-off – eventually won via a massive one-bounce four to Sam Balzarolo to the applause of all and sundry.

Semi-finalists in both competitions were finalised, and after a hearty lunch featuring delicate minced beef parcels, lightly sautéed onions, oven smoked damper and a daub of tomato jus, play was resumed. Unfortunately, by this stage, precipitation was more and more prevalent, and the ground, ball, players and spectators were getting damper by the minute. The cup semi finals were played to a standard fitting of this lofty competition, with two high-scoring and closely contested matches going right down to the wire. In the end, the partnerships of Luther/Abbot and Bellam/Wilkinson prevailed, and with play being abandoned due to the inclement weather, both teams were named joint winners for 2011.

Some highlights:

- Graeme King umpiring all 16 matches – an inspiring effort.
- The high standard of wicket keeping and fielding throughout the whole day – special mention to Jake Rose, Stephen Burns and Harrison King.
- The highly acclaimed Blake Peisley getting two golden ducks, and his junior partner Lachlan Palaster carrying him through the competition with great poise.
- The big hitting pairing of Alec Gioffre and Viresh Raghavan – get your money on them next year.
- Will Abbott and Josh Wilkinson making it through to the final in their first year – well done young lads.
- Wijeth Wijesira and Harrison Bultitude – two young blokes paired up together and putting it to the big blokes all day.
- The fathers who scored unerringly and/or umpired at square leg for long periods of time – a big thank-you.
- The fantastic organisation by Peter Burns – keeping the games flowing and the boys on their toes.
- Rick Thomas' all day stint in the canteen – much appreciated by all.

## Results in detail:

1st ROUND		CUP - Quarters		CUP - Semi		CUP - Final	
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Jake Smith	40	Jake Smith	17				
Cameron Edwards		Cameron Edwards					
Vs		vs					
Alec Gioffre	18	Malachi Mashiah	10				
Viresh Raghavan		Alex Johnson					
Daniel Waddups	10	Stephen Burns	2	Jake Smith	28		
Sam Balzarolo		Jake Rose		Cameron Edwards			
Vs		vs		vs			
Malachi Mashiah	11	Jason Luther	4	Jason Luther	29	Jason Luther	Joint
Alex Johnson		William Abbott		William Abbott		William Abbott	Winners
Vs		vs		vs		vs	
Blake Peisley	5	Aidan Gioffre	2	Daniel Joller	18	Michael Bellam	Joint
Lachlan Palaster		Sohan Jagdahl		Harrison King		Joshua Wilkinson	Winners
Vs		Vs		vs			
Stephen Burns	6	Daniel Joller	3	Michael Bellam	22		
Jake Rose		Harrison King		Joshua Wilkinson			
Michael Bellam	40	Michael Bellam	13				
Joshua Wilkinson		Joshua Wilkinson					
Vs		Vs					
Jimmy Farrell	22	Chris Blinman	12				
Sohan Jagdahl		Tusher Shekher					
Jason Luther	18	PLATE - Quarters		PLATE - Semi		PLATE - Final	
William Abbott		Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Vs		Jimmy Farrell	16				
Aidan Gioffre	4	Luke Perkin					
Sohan Jagdahl		vs		Alec Gioffre			
Chris Blinman	16	Alec Gioffre	18	Viresh Raghavan			
Tusher Shekher		Viresh Raghavan		vs			
Vs		vs (won on super-over playoff)		Daniel Waddups			
Wijeth Wijesira	3	Daniel Waddups	4	Sam Balzarolo			
Harrison Bultitude		Sam Balzarolo		vs			
Kapil Chatabbar	15	Wijeth Wijesira	4	Blake Peisley			
Ryan O'Hare		Harrison Bultitude		Lachlan Palaster			
Vs		vs		vs			
Daniel Joller	20	Blake Peisley	4	Chris Blinman			
Harrison King		Lachlan Palaster		Tusher Shekher			
		vs					
		Kapil Chatabbar	3				
		Ryan O'Hare					

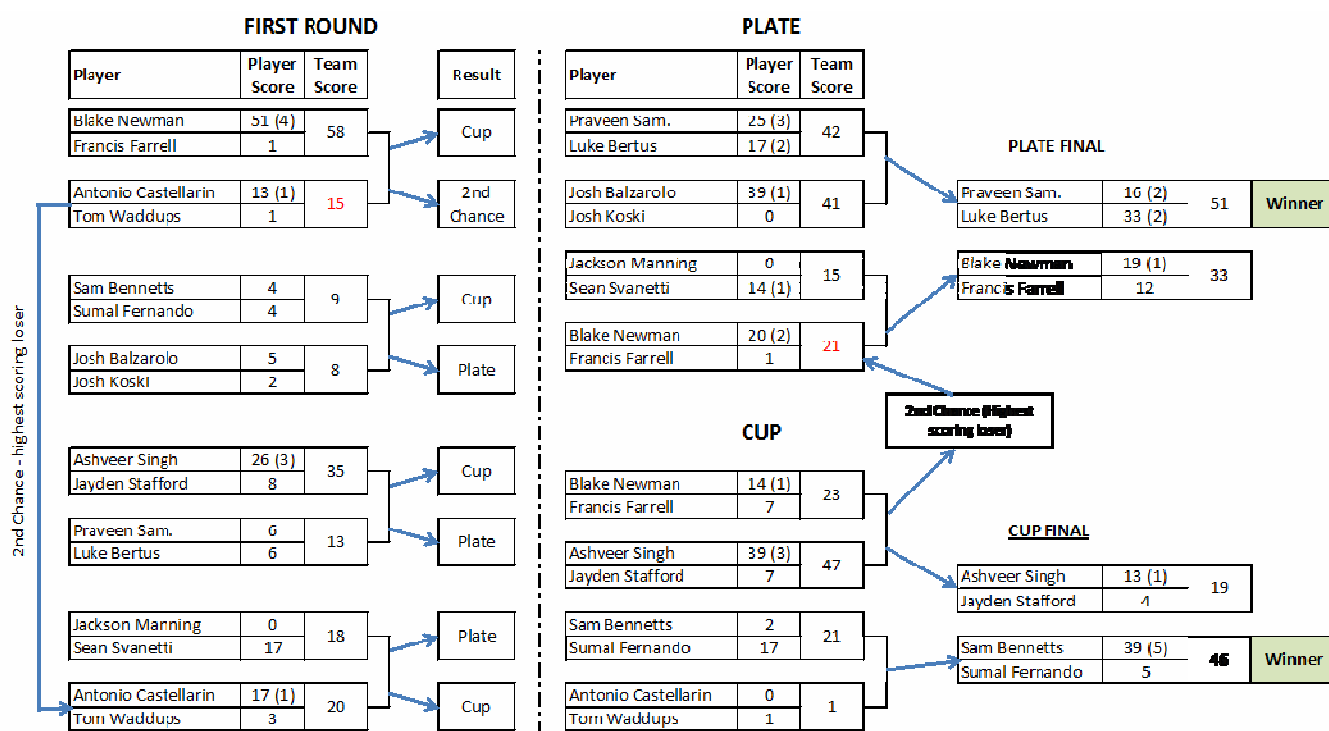
## Intermediate Double Wicket Report

We had a good roll up of 14 players for the Intermediate Double Wicket. It looked like the players had a "Team Talk" and decided not to bowl pace. This suited Blake who set a cracking pace in the first game of the day scoring 51 of their 58 runs to go through to the Cup. Sam and Sumal looked in trouble defending 9 runs with the Josh's 0 for 7, but with two quick wickets for one run they got through to the Cup. Ashveer hit 3 big sixes finishing on 26 not out which set he and Jayden up to go through to the cup. Antonio and Tom received a second chance as they were the highest scoring losers and made the most of this going through to the Cup.

Another second chance was on offer with the highest loser in the Cup getting a chance to play in the Plate. In the first Cup game Ashveer did the damage belting 39 runs not out, which included 3 big sixes taking their total to 47. When Blake was caught by Jayden on 14 this left Francis with a big challenge. He pushed for every run possible which ultimately saw him run out short of their target. However as the highest scoring loser, they received a 2nd chance going into the Plate round. When Sam was stumped on 2, Sumal stepped up pushing one's and two's on every ball scoring a very respectable 17. Sam bowled the first over, and that was all that was required, picking up both wickets taking him and Sumal to the Cup Final. Sam saved his best for the final hitting the first ball for 6 and repeated this another 4 times in his innings. Sam & Sumal put on 46 runs which they defended bowling out Ashveer and Jayden for 19 runs.

In the Plate Josh Balzarolo played a brilliant innings scoring 39 runs setting them up with a very defendable total of 41. Luke and Praveen took to their bowling and reached the target on the 5th ball of the 3rd over taking them to the Plate Final. Blake and Francis made the most of their second chance going through to the Plate Final after beating Jackson and Sean. Luke and Praveen won the toss and batted first, Luke took to the bowling hitting two sixes and 4 fours scoring 33 runs not out with Praveen doing much the same adding 16 more to have a very defendable total of 51 runs. Blake and Francis gave it their best, Francis belting a very nice four behind square and Blake another six. A great effort by Blake and Francis but the target set by Sam and Sumal proved to be a winner on the day.

Thanks to Peter Newman, Tony Senior, Kevin Balzarolo, Ward Koski, Phil Waddups, Rick Thomas in the canteen and all of those who cooked the BBQ and made it a great day for the Intermediate Double Wicket. Congratulations to Sam Bennetts and Sumal Fernando our Intermediate Cup Winners and Luke Bertus and Praveen the Intermediate Plate winners.



## Match Results and Reports

<b>10 Red</b>	8 for 109 (Ave 12.1)	Winston Hills	8 for 133 (Ave 14.77)	Loss on Averages
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<b>10 White</b>	3 for 134 (Ave 33.5)	Guildford Leagues	15 for 69 (Ave 4.3)	Win on averages
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Mother nature made life tough for the team this round. The boys played brilliantly in the extreme heat making 4/78 against 10/36. The following week when the blankets were brought out in the crowd, they continued with 0/56 against 6/33. Fantastic stuff team. The overall result 3/134 average 33.5 to 15/69 average 4.3.

Harry, Michael and Jarrod continued their good batting. Harry top scored with 23 including 4 boundaries. The bowling honours were shared across Michael 3/4, Andre 3/4, Jarrod 3/5, Harry 2/3 and Brendan 1/1. The fielders backed up the bowlers with good run outs including a direct hit from Ryan and well taken catches by Alexander, Jake and Harry.

Of special note was our champion substitute fielder and general life of the party, Aaron. Not only did he show great spirit in the field but Guildford kindly let him bowl him an over, where he gave Jake a workout and conceded only two runs. Bravo! Watch out for him next year.

<b>11/2B</b>	2 for 73 (dec) & 1 for 21	Hills Barbarians	10 for 45 & 10 for 48	Outright Win
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No report submitted.

<b>11/2A</b>	6 for 89	Kings Langley	10 for 31	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

<b>11/1</b>	8 for 72	Hills Barbarians	5 for 83	First Innings Loss
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Baulkham Hills won the toss and elected to bat on a very hot day.

Hills Barbarians bowling was superb in the conditions and Baulkham Hills reached 8 for 72 by the end of the day (CC). Luke scored 10, Adam 8, Cameron and Blake 5 each.

Baulkham Hills then bowled the following week with a slippery ball and pitch! Two contrasting days.

All the boys bowled 3 overs each. Some tight bowling; however our fielding today let us down (apart from Ryan's great run-out). Best bowling Armaan 2 for 5. Also Cam 1 for 7 and Man of the Match Rohan with 1 for 10 (and 4 runs while batting).

Rain then intervened and match was finished. Some encouraging signs however as Baba's were 0 for 34 at one stage and then were 5 for 58.

Looking forward to meeting the Baba's again in the semis!

<b>12/2</b>	10 for 53 & 3 for 27	Rouse Hill Rams	10 for 123	First Innings Loss
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We lost the toss & were put into bat by our opponents, listing only (9) players for our 1<sup>st</sup> Innings attempt.

The day was going to be hot, with temperatures heading up into the high 30's...We started positively but the guys were just really beaten by the heat & we soon melted after only 27 overs to be 8 wickets for only 53 runs.

Our opposition also started their 1<sup>st</sup> Innings steadily, presenting no early opportunities for us in the field. But soon they too yielded to the intense heat of the day & with some nice bowling from Josh & Fabian – together with a great first “baller” from Charan, at the close of first days’ play they were 3 wickets for 65 runs.

The following Saturday saw our opposition build onto their ledger. They finished at 9 wickets down for 123 runs & asked us to bat again...

With a possible outright win for them looming, we tried to hang around & make it at least difficult for them. But



the weather began to set in with solid rain showers, which finally concluded play & we ended on a defiant 3 wickets down for 27 runs.

Once again we avoided an outright win to the opposition with best batting performances going to Fabian & Nathan who defiantly held out until conclusion of play.

We conceded only a First Innings Loss to Rouse Hill.

<b>12/1</b>	<b>1 for 151 (dec)</b>	<b>Kellyville</b>	<b>10 for 17 &amp; 10 for 40</b>	<b>Outright Win</b>
Jimmy Farrell 5/1 & 41				
Stephen Burns 2/7 & 4/5				
Luke Jerome 2/6 & 38 no & 2/6				
Aidan Gioffre 48 no				

A massive toss to win & elect to bowl first in extreme heat. A very pacey & hostile opening spell by Stephen & Luke saw our opening bowlers pulverise the opposition top order & have them in a heap of trouble at 4/13 after 8 overs. Stephen was unlucky not to have bagged a hat trick. What happened next can only be described as unbelievable. Jimmy Farrell coming on & proceeded to rip through the rest of the team taking an astonishing 5 for 1 in two overs. Although a low total, our fielding was brilliant with no dropped catches or misfields. Our fieldsmen were hungry for the ball & it was pretty much only the edges which found the gaps. Going out to bat, we were obviously going to pass a score of 17 but our main goal was to score as many runs as we could on day 1. Luke & Jimmy put on a fantastic opening stand of 59 which set us up nicely. Luke & Aidan put us into a great position & helped our batting average for the run home for the finals. Unluckily for Aidan, he ran out of time to get his half century by the end of the day. Day 2 saw an immediate declaration & Stephen rip through the top order but this time taking 4 wickets & once again saw him on a hat trick for the second time in the game. Luke bowled well again & also found himself on a hat trick. Our other bowlers Malachi, Alec, Ramal & Ryan all got a wicket each & bowled well. The only difference in the opposition total for the second innings was that they hit more balls over the top of our fieldsmen. Our fielding was excellent again & we managed to finish them off to get the ten points before the rain came. A brilliant result boys with our second outright in a row but now the challenge starts for the next two games before the finals.

<b>13/2</b>	<b>10 for 96</b>	<b>Kings Langley</b>	<b>10 for 135</b>	<b>First Innings Loss</b>
No report submitted.				

<b>13/1</b>	<b>2 for 190</b>	<b>Kellyville</b>	<b>10 for 123</b>	<b>First Innings Win</b>
Of all the days to lose the toss.....AGAIN!! 2 from 10!! Why do we even bother!!				

Stinking hot at 8 am. Forecast to be an absolute scorcher. We're heading for the field. No-ones happy.

Coach's instructions – get out quick and let's bat! It almost worked but the heat worked us over instead, and no one could be blamed.

Once again Ibteeda and Brad opened the bowling and as usual they kept our opposition to a slow start. Then Ibteeda when Bang, Bang, and as he has done many times, picked up two wickets in one over. Kellyville were 2 for 3. Great. Then he got a third and Kapil chipped in straight after with a fourth. Kellyville were 4 for 10. This wasn't going to take long.

Hmmm...

With Kellyville's best two batsmen at the crease one more wicket would have had us well on the way for a brief fielding stint but unfortunately some good batting got in the way and modest partnerships followed, as did dropped catches and some sloppy fielding, most of which could be attributed to the heat. Wickets eventually came with Blake getting 2 and Chris, Matthew, Jason and Michael getting one each. Everyone bowled well considering the conditions but it is particularly pleasing to see Blake finding some really good form. Daniel toiled away well behind the stumps but was visibly drained by the days end.

Plenty of drinks breaks were taken and we did manage to get through 44 overs, thankfully bowling them out for 123, probably 50 runs more than we would have had the weather been better. A brief four overs of batting at the



end of the first day and we went to the break at 0 for 10.

Day 2 came and we set about chasing our 124 target with confidence. A 57 run partnership between Kapil and Jake set the scene and from here Kellyville never had a chance. Kapil was dismissed for 23 runs. Chris followed with a modest 10 runs and Daniel finished out the innings with Jake. Daniel getting 21 not out before stumps were called and our score had reached 2 for 190, well ahead of our target.

The star of the day though was Jake. Reaching his maiden 100 in fine style from just 38 overs and fighting the drizzling rain at the close of play. Jake has betted well most of this year but of late is starting to find his best form. So far his season has included three 50's and now a 100. His form is looking ominous and we hope it continues all the way through the finals too. Congratulations Jake. The first 100 is always one to remember but somehow I think there will be more.

<b>14/3</b>	<b>Wenty Leagues</b>	<b>Won on Forfeit</b>
Baulko won after Kings Langley forfeited.		

<b>14/1</b>	<b>2 for 145</b>	<b>AKA Crusaders</b>	<b>9 for 142</b>	<b>First Innings Win</b>
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Day one of this match will go down as one of the hottest on record. Even at 8am it was already sweltering, and as luck would have it, we lost the toss that had to be won. Not surprisingly, AKA decided to bat, so we slip, slop, slap ..... and slurp (plenty of water) in preparation for what was going to be a tough day in the field. To make matters worse, the outfield was tinder dry and cut short like carpet. There was going to be full value for shots today. Our problem was – this was a match we had to win to stay in the hunt for a semi final position. A loss would make our task of qualifying almost impossible. The key instruction from the coach before taking the field – stay focused and energised, don't let the heat get to you, even if things don't go our way keep the talk and energy up, take our catches, attack and stay positive. Oh .... and nothing short and no sundries.

By end of play on day one we had lost 2 players to heat exhaustion, shed who knows how many kilos in body weight, consumed gallons of water and sunscreen, dropped a couple of absolute 'sitters' and played in the most oppressive conditions ever encountered on a cricket field. (Well, at least until seniors later that afternoon). But in the course of proceedings, the team put together one of the most fighting, courageous and skilful displays of cricket ever witnessed. (Okay, a bit of hyperbole, but you had to be there). Tight bowling and fielding, some sensational catches and a commitment to stay on top saw us not only get through our 57 overs (I reckon we were one of the few teams right across the Association to actually achieve this in the conditions), but we kept AKA to a very modest 9 for 142 in the process. Given we only had 9 players for an extended period, this result was extraordinary. Only two of the opposition got into double figures. Our bowlers consistently hit line and length (with the odd threatening bouncer thrown in), and our fielders backed them up with a more than polished performance in the field. A couple of real spectacular catches (Josh Byron, Troy Black, Sanjay Siddanth, Sumal Fernando) and a commitment by all to push through the heat and pain for their mates next to them were highlights. We shared the overs across 9 different bowlers, and none of them let the team down. Best figures were George Joseph (10 overs, 3 for 27) and Josh King (7 overs, 2 for 11) – but really all the players deserve praise for the job well done. The coach and parents were all very proud of the team. We were right in the game. Now just needed our batting to 'man up' on day 2.

Dawn on day 2 arrives and the coach's worst nightmare looks set to unfold – its raining and there is forecast for showers on and off throughout the day. A draw is no good to us. The sprinkling eases as we get closer to oval, and despite the early morning showers we miraculously get the game started on time. With the threat of showers and possibly not getting all the overs in, it is important we try and get ahead of the required run rate, and our makeshift openers (Saad Shaheen and Luca McAllister) did just that. This pair put together a fine 47 run opening partnership in quick time before Saad is dismissed for a classy 29. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> wicket partnership (Luca McAllister and George Joseph) then proceed to work over the very good AKA bowling attack, taking singles and working the ball around, alternating strike between the left and right hander when possible. At drinks we are in a solid position at 1 for 80, needing a further 63 off 29 overs the win the match. The same pair continued to knock off the required runs after the break, and things are starting to look very comfortable as the deficit is whittled away. With only 13 runs to go, and about 16 overs to spare, a few sprinkles from the heavens sent the coach's heart beat racing ..... surely the cricketing gods couldn't be that cruel? The rain holds off, however, Luca is sadly adjudged LBW just 4 runs shy of what would have been a well deserved half century. George goes on to register his 50 and score the winning runs, with Baulko finishing on 2 for 145 with still 8 overs to spare. A comfortable, clinical win in the scorebook – but a

fighting, courageous victory in real life. The end score will contribute positively to our quotient (4<sup>th</sup> spot will almost definitely come down to this at the end of the season), and the experience will hold us in good stead with the big matches coming up between now and seasons end.

(Note: I don't like singling out individual players in our team report, but George Joseph has now had 9 innings this year for the U14/1's, scoring 403 at an average of 80.6. This includes 6 half centuries, 4 of them unbeaten. Skilful, yet humble – a real class act).

<b>15/2</b>	10 for 105	Hills Barbarians	10 for 69	First Innings Win
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<b>15/1</b>	2 for 255	Seven Hills RSL	10 for 142	First Innings Win
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<b>16/2</b>	10 for 154	Pendle Hill Colts	7 for 212	First Innings Loss
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<b>16/1B</b>	7 for 214	AKA Crusaders	6 for 54	Match Drawn
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This was a game played in as diverse conditions as possible – scorching heat the first week and rain the second. We won the toss and batted. The over rate was quite slow even with the heat and lost balls over the fence and the game became a 55 over match. Antonio Castellarin continued his good form and led the way with 42. Joshua Balzarolo (37 no), Billy Bestford (35) and Trent Samuels (30) also contributed well.

In the field, we began very well and were on target for a very solid win when rain interrupted the match. Matthew Sibley bowled very well with 3/9. Antonio, Joshua Balzarolo and Billy Bestford each chipped in with a wicket.

It was disappointing not to be able to finish the game off but the boys did a good job and it was a good all round effort. Good luck next week in the local derby against BHCC!

<b>16/1A</b>	10 for 157	Pendle Hill Colts	4 for 72	Match Drawn
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No report submitted.

<b>B14</b>	6 for 94	Kings Langley	6 for 237	Match Drawn
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After finally getting on the field at 2 pm the first day, the team endured 42 degrees C heat in the field to be smashed for 6/237 declared.

The second day again started at around 2 pm but the game was eventually washed out with Baulko at 6/94.

<b>B13</b>	10 for 218	Rouse Hill Rams	4 for 105	Match Drawn
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No report submitted.

<b>B12</b>	6 for 129	Wenty Leagues	10 for 120	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

<b>B11</b>		Seven Hills RSL	5 for 137	Match Drawn
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The first day's play was called off due to the heat, with the match becoming a 1-day fixture on the second day.

Seven Hills reached 5 for 137 after 26 overs when rain ended play. Ryan Bailey finished with 2 for 26, with single wickets to Bryce Jones, Simon Ruxton and Chris Blinman, making his senior debut and impressing with his spin bowling. Jake Smith from the 13/1s also played for us. Thanks Chris and Jake for your efforts.

<b>B10</b>	2 for 120	The Bulls	9 for 192	Match Drawn
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No report submitted.

<b>B9</b>	10 for 101	Kings Langley	10 for 155	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

<b>B8</b>	10 for 197	Sydney Supersonics	10 for 82 & 0 for 35	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

<b>B7</b>	10 for 137	Hills Barbarians	10 for 97	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

<b>B4</b>	10 for 147	AKA Crusaders	2 for 116	Match Drawn
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No report submitted.

<b>B2</b>	3 for 25	Winston Hills	10 for 110	Match Drawn
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No report submitted.

<b>B1</b>	6 for 178	AKA Crusaders	10 for 176	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

<b>A</b>	10 for 77	Seven Hills RSL	10 for 291	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.