

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 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, 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 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, 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 by Tuesday night after the game. Newsletters will be published during the week after a game.

Team Performances

B11	Outright Win	B13	Outright Win
B12	Outright Win	15/1	241

Individual Achievements

D Primmer	B2	40	J Balzarolo	16/1B	4/34
S Freeman	B2	25	J Benton	16/1B	3/28
A Hitchcock	B2	25	A Castellarin	16/1B	2/24
J Rich	B2	2/7	C Jarvis	16/2	34 & 3/18
J Freeman	B2	2/19	T Stewart	16/2	29
M Hardy	B2	2/54	T Ripps	16/2	6/13
W Koski	B4	51	B Stewart	15/1	81
T Senior	B4	26 & 3/30	A Subramainiam	15/1	50 & 5/41
J Benton	B4	3/33	I Masud	15/1	27
R Deane	B7	56 & 5/105	J Norton	15/1	2/8
R McInerney	B7	2/35	G Joseph	14/1	80
R Gunasinghe	B8	4/63	J King	14/1	26
R Fernando	B8	2/21	T Waddups	14/1	2/26
M Toomey	B11	45* & 3/2	A Arulyarman	14/3	36
S Howpage	B11	25	J Robson	14/3	6/10
S Ruxton	B11	4/38	J Storr	14/3	2/3
J Farrell	B11	2/23	F Farrell	14/3	2/5
R Bailey	B11	4/8	J Gardiner	13/1	57*
J Bailey	B11	2/12	I Masud	13/1	3/17
C Gunton	B11	2/25	M Hinds	13/1	2/8
P Coundrelis	B13	66	J Rose	13/2	60
K Mahoney	B13	50	J Cramer	13/2	3/11
P Searson	B13	7/30 & 2/19	A Ghatge	13/2	2/12
C Millgate	B13	5/36	D Keheewararajah	13/2	2/21
M Samuels	B14	76	J Farrell	12/1	51 & 3/17
J Foscett	B14	33*	J Subramaniam	12/1	3/20
M Waddups	B14	5/61	C Thorncraft	12/1	2/9
N Smith	16/1A	112	S Pirie	12/1	2/11

J Pienmunne	16/1A	37	C Whittaker	12/1	2/11
B Newman	16/1A	28	A McElroy	11/1	40
T Rahman	16/1A	2/12	H Bultitude	11/1	2/7
A Vaidya	16/1A	2/13	S Jagdale	11/1	2/17
I Shekker	16/1A	2/17	L Palaster	11/2B	35
A Kapila	16/1A	2/28	G Quinn	11/2B	34* & 2/1
			M Dunn	11/2B	3/4

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
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
February 5	B2
February 19	B13
March 5	B4
March 19 (Sat)	B9

The President's Roundup

Junior photos were held over the last two Saturdays. Thanks to all coaches and managers for their assistance in getting the job done efficiently. A special thank you to Phil Waddups for organising the event and to Rick Thomas & Leigh Griggs for all their work on both days.

The Trivia Night was held on Saturday 26 February and the attendance was very poor to say the least. A club of 28 teams and we only had around 40 people attend. A lot of time and effort was put in by the Social Committee to organise this event. Thanks to Sally, Leigh, Rick & Jeremy for their efforts. A total of 5 senior players attended, whilst juniors had 3 teams represented. Thanks to those who came along and special thanks to all who donated prizes.

Blake Newman (U16/1A) has been selected in the NCSW CHS U15 team for the Australian Championships. These are being held in late February/early March in the Barossa Valley. We wish Blake well. And it must be tough for parents Peter & Karen to go to watch the games! A few quite reds after games?

One round to go now and a number of teams are still fighting to make the semis. The battle of the U16/1's saw the A's come out on top over the B's, with Nathan Smith making 100. The teams will in all likelihood match up in the semis!

In this last round, I assisted A Grade by fielding for them for 2 hours or so. The heat was tough and with only 9 fielders it was all the more difficult. But, I must say the attitude of the team was fantastic and they never threw in the towel. Player shortages have caused major problems since Christmas, but the guys battle on. Well done lads.

Ground applications for the 2011/2012 season closed with Council on 25 February. For some reason, this is some 4 months earlier than last year. We will know the allocations on 28 March and hopefully we will keep all of the grounds from this season. And we continue the fight to keep the turf pitch at Charles McLaughlin.

Remember, teams who fail to make the semis may have to umpire, so being ready!

Our Baulko website has lots of information & is constantly updated by webmaster Rick Thomas. Have a look at 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

Match Results and Reports

10 Red	Result not Submitted	Seven Hills RSL	Result Not Submitted
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No report submitted.

10 White	3 for 132 (Ave 32)	Hills Barbarians	7 for 117 (Ave 14.6)	Win on averages
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A high quality match was played between the two teams, Hills Barbarians being the only team the boys had lost to this year. At the halfway stage the scoreboard was Hills Barbarians 2 for 68 v Baulkham Hills 3 for 81. Michael, Ryan and Jarrod made good contributions with the bat, but there was consistent scoring by the whole team. In the field, after a sluggish start, fuelled by a bit of chocolate at the break the boys lifted their work rate with Michael and Maaran taking wickets. We really played a strong second half adding a further 51 without loss. Harry making 16 and featuring in a number of good partnerships. The effort in the field was first rate taking 5 for 39. Maaran and Jarrod again taking a wicket as well as Ryan. There were 2 well executed run outs. Final score Baulkham Hills 3 for 132 average 32 [almost an identical effort to last week] def Hills Barbarians 7 for 117 average 14.6. A solid team performance where everyone played very well.

11/2B	6 for 140 (dec)	Kings Langley	10 for 44 & 10 for 37	Outright Win
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No report submitted.

11/2A	9 for 47	Rouse Hill Rams	8 for 77	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

11/1	7 for 149	Guildford Leagues	10 for 135	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

12/2	10 for 52 & 10 for 15	Wenty Leagues	?? for 136 (dec)	Outright Loss
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We lost the toss & were put into bat first again by our opponents...

We started our innings a little slow & scratchy. Our opponents were rewarded with their positive approach & soon had us down & almost out for not very many at all. The highlight of our innings was a defiant little stand by opener Fabian & wicket keeper Nathan. But we all eventually circled to be all out for only 52 runs.

Our opposition also started their 1st Innings steadily, presenting no early opportunities for us in the field. They continued on solidly & with our wayward bowling attack they reached 30 runs with only one wicket down at stumps on the first day. Our only wicket of the day going to our wicket keeping all-rounder Nathan, who produced a looping dropping straight one, trapping his opponent right in front...

The following Saturday saw our opposition build onto their score from the previous week. We were finding it very hard to break through as nobody got into any real bowling rhythm. Our best overall efforts came from Joshua our strike bowler, picking up 3 wickets again & Nathan bagging 2 wickets & a very cool run-out. They finished by declaring at 8 wickets down for 136 runs & asked us to bat again with about an hour & fifteen to go...

We found ourselves yet again in another possible outright win for them, situation... We put in a "beaten-before-we-started" performance & suffered the consequences – we were all out for only 15 runs.

We were badly beaten, conceding a First Innings & an Outright Loss to Wentworthville.

12/1	10 for 112	Wenty Waratahs	9 for 163 (dec)	First Innings Loss
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Jimmy Farrell 51 & 3/17

Scott Pirie 20 & 2/11

Cody Whittaker 2/11

We got off to a good start but our middle order crumbled & struggled to recover although we did manage to bat until the 50th over. We didn't bowl or field well this game & it cost us dearly. Better luck next game.

13/2	8 for 174	Pendle Hill	10 for 144	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

13/1	6 for 121	Kings Langley	8 for 117	First Innings Win
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We lost the toss again! We now stand at 2 from 10 in what is an exact reversal of last season.

To our disappointment, Kings Langley decided to bat first. Although it was a steady start for them, their batting was a little slow and wickets were not forth-coming. Brad Ripps bowled an unbelievable first spell of five overs but was unable to get a wicket, finishing with figures of just 0 for 2 in what is probably his best spell this season. Kapil, Ibteeda and Jason provided excellent support with Ibteeda finally getting the break-through in the 14th over with the score on 22. From here, wickets were picked up at regular intervals with most bowlers chipping in. Jimmy, Michael and Blake all took one wicket, whilst Blake picked up two and Ibteeda returned later in the innings to get two more wickets to finish with three all up. Kings Langley batted pretty well and had their shining moments, but their scoring rate remained slow. Their final score was 8 for 117 from their minimum 57 overs.

The following week we were full of confidence with most boys thinking that 118 to win would be a walk in the park. Like Kings Langley the week before, our innings started just as slow; Matt Hinds really struggling after being hit in the leg and then again in the 'middle leg'. Bravery abounded, together with a couple of wry smiles, and Matt pushed on for several more overs until he finally lost his wicket in the 16th over. All jokes aside, Matt was in considerable pain but refused all offers to leave the park – inspirational effort. At the other end Jimmy set about building an innings with vigour and determination that has been a little lacking this year. Jimmy has had an unusual season this year and has no doubt performed below his own high standards. This game though, he showed some real signs of a return to good form and batted for the entire innings to remain 57 not out. Supporting Jimmy along the way were Blake, Brad, Jason, Michael, Jake and Kapil, who all contributed in small to modest ways to help us reach the asking total. All up we finished at 6 for 121 after 50 overs but this turned out to be no walk in the park. With the semi-finals just around the corner, let's hope this tight game shows the boys that turning up does not mean winning. Effort is always required.

Nonetheless, it is another win and there is starting to be a bit of a buzz about the form of some players. I'm feeling good things heading to finals time.

14/3	10 for 129	Hills Barbarians	10 for 50 & 4 for 32	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

14/1	9 for 145	Pendle Hill Colts	7 for 172	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

15/2	Results Not Submitted	Kellyville		First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

15/1	10 for 241	Kings Langley	10 for 131	First Innings Win
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Round 10 v Seven Hills RSL

A welcome return to the winners list after three consecutive defeats and without doubt the star of the match was Ishmam.

Seven Hills batted first and all our bowlers performed well as we dismissed them for 142 off just 39 overs. Jarred was very economical with two for 10 off six overs; Amar took two for 25 off seven, and Luke Bertus took one for one off one. However Seven Hills had no answer to Ishmam, who returned figures of three for seven off six overs, which included three maidens.

Ishmam's bowling was just the warm up act though. He also opened the batting with Amar and they took us through to stumps on day one at none for 33. It was a disciplined performance and both players picked up where they left off the following week with Amar going on to score a fine half century before he was bowled on 51. Ishmam though was in brilliant touch and we were well past Seven Hills' score when he was dismissed for a magnificent 149, in the process taking over Michael's mantle of the highest score in this team since it was formed in the U/11's. Ishmam hit six sixes and 15 fours in an innings where he never looked like getting out, until he did. A tremendous performance. He was well supported by Sean after Amar got out, with Sean ending the match on 26 not out.

All in all, a good team effort which hopefully will give us confidence for the tougher matches ahead.

Round 11 v Kings Langley

Another solid performance from a team that is going to give this competition a real shake in the semi finals.

Congratulations to Bryce who scored 81, by far the highest score of his career to date. Bryce has looked in brilliant touch all season, but has batted without luck. In this match it all came together and hopefully he will now have the confidence to get the

runs his talent deserves.

We batted first and scored 241 after at one stage being two for 163. Fresh from his century in the last match, Ishmam looked in brilliant touch again, but alas there was to be no fairytale repeat as he fell for 27. Amar continued his excellent recent form with his third 50 of the season, but a flurry of late wickets stopped a big score from being a huge one. That's cricket. Josh looked in terrific touch until being run out for 18, his second run out in three matches!! When your luck's out, it's out.

Amar backed up his half century with a sterling performance with the ball. Five for 41 off 15 overs, including two maidens. Josh, Jarred, Luke Jayden and Jackson were all also very economical as we dismissed Kings Langley for just 131 off 47 overs. We have an embarrassment of riches in the bowling department with 11 players able to bowl consistently well. It's a big strength of a team in which every player makes a valuable contribution.

Next match we play Rouse Hill as we go in search of our third win in a row.

16/2	10 for 126	Kellyville	10 for 99	First Innings Win
No report submitted.				

16/1B	10 for 91	Baulkham Hills	10 for 222	First Innings Loss
See Combined Match Report with 16/1A.				

16/1A	10 for 222	Baulkham Hills	10 for 91	First Innings Win
This round was the BHCC local derby. Over the years there have been some good games and tense tussles. Everyone was geared up for another.				

The 'A's' won the toss and batted. They were very solid and built a good innings. Nathan Smith led the way with a solid performance to score a good century (112)! Joel Pienmunne batted very well for 37, building a very solid foundation with Nathan. Blake Newman also provided a very handy 28.

The cause was assisted by some very ordinary fielding and very poor catching by the 'B's' who dropped far too many catches to maintain any pressure. Josh Balzarolo bowled well against the tail to take 4/34. James Benton was also very good with 3/28 and Antonio Castellarin 2/24.

Week 2, the 'B's' were confident they could make a challenge and started well. It was a good opening 30 minutes with solid bowling and good batting. Then the wickets started to fall. A combination of some tight bowling and poor shot selection saw the 'B's' rolled for their 2nd worst performance of the season – 91. Antonio scored 20 but there wasn't much after that. Taseen Rahman (2/12), Ishan Sheker (2/17) and Anshul Kapila (2/28) led the bowling for the 'A's'.

It was a very solid performance by the 'A's' and a well-deserved win. It is likely the 2 teams will meet again in the semi-finals. Good luck to both teams!

B14	10 for 215	Guildford Leagues	7 for 218	First Innings Loss
No report submitted.				

B13	10 for 190	NSW Tamils	10 for 82 & 10 for 106	Outright Win
No report submitted.				

B12	10 for 109 & 7 for 105	Voice of Tamils	10 / 33 & 9 / 180 (dec)	Outright Win
No report submitted.				

B11	10 for 77 & (for 130	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 149 & 10 for 56	Outright Win
Outright win to B Hills after trailing on 1 st innings.				

Pendle Hill took only 28 overs to reach their first innings total of 149, led by an aggressive 71 from Steve Upton. Simon Ruxton led the way with the ball for Baulko taking 4 for 38, well supported by Matt Toomey's 3 for 2 in his first game back from injury. Jack Farrell took 2 wickets and Ryan Bailey 1. What followed was a most disappointing batting performance from B Hills that saw the innings slump to 6 for 10. Thankfully, Matt Toomey's excellent attacking unbeaten 45 and support from Chris Gunton saw the team past the follow-on mark of 74, but all out for 77, a deficit of 72 on the first innings.

This left Pendle Hill 30 minutes to bat on the first day. They reached 2 for 20 at stumps which became 3 for 20 with the not out batsman absent on the second day. Fortunately for B Hills the dangerous Steve Upton was dismissed on the first ball of the second day's play. Pendle Hill never really recovered from this to be all out for 56. This left B Hills requiring 129 runs for outright victory. Ryan Bailey led the way with the ball with 4 for 8 off 10 overs, well supported by 2 wickets each for Chris Gunton and Jake Bailey, and 1 wicket for Matt Toomey.

The B Hills second innings was a see-sawing affair with both sides seemingly holding the aces at different stages. What a relief to see Mitchell Webb hit a boundary to secure the victory target. Saj Howpage top scored with 25, closely followed by 22 from Matt Toomey. There were useful contributions from Jack Farrell, Bryce Jones, Sam Hubbard, Chris Gunton, and Jake Bailey but more application with the bat is needed if the team is to challenge for the title.

At least the outright win secured the team's semi-final spot.

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Nothing to report.

B9		BYE		BYE
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Nothing to report.

B8	Result Not Submitted	Pacific Oceans XI	10 for 116 & for 120	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

B7	10 for 179	Kings Langley	8 for 258 (dec)	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

B4	10 for 181	Guildford Leagues	10 for 198	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

B2	10 for 152	Kellyville	10 for 231	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

B1	10 for 106 & 2 for 69	Guildford Leagues	8 for 107 (dec)	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

A	9 for 99 & 6 for 87	Greystanes	10 for 254	First Innings Loss
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It is not very often that you can get comprehensively beaten only one wicket from an outright loss and say as a skipper that you are ecstatic with your team's performance.

This team walked out onto the pitch to play A Grade cricket in 35 degree heat with only 10 men. This was further reduced to 8 men after only 2 hours due to a heatstroke illness and lack of availability. These 8 men included a keeper with a gastro virus, a fieldsman with a twisted ankle and a bowler who had to leave the field with a finger injury towards the end of the day. The guys worked their guts out to save every run and take every wicket against an opposition who were playing to retain their place in the top 4. After having Greystanes 9 for 204 we inevitably ran out of steam and were set 254.

Week two brought a similar feel once again with only 10 men available to bat on an up and down pitch. This led to a first innings total of 99 with the innings closing at 3:45pm. We were once again left with only 8 batsmen for our 2nd dig due to availability issues. Instead of throwing it away for an early finish the boys fought for their wickets and saved the outright defeat by one wicket with the innings closing at 6:15pm at 6 for 87.

Yes there were individual performances of note in this game such as a 15 over continuous spell for Michael Bennetts returning 3 wickets, 3 wickets for Tassie Rahman in his A Grade debut, 3 catches to both Tommy and Stuey, Tommy's 21 and 19, Joey Gurka's two match savings innings of 30 and 35no and the club president answering the call mid game to help out in the field. But what stands out above all else to me was this team's willingness to fight when there was nothing left to fight for.

No, we are not going to make the semis and no, we were not going to win the game, but yes, all 8 of us are going to fight for our pride, our teammates and our club.

Today, in the face of our biggest loss of the year, I stand proudly as captain and say yes, I play in the Baulkham Hills A Grade Cricket Team. Thank you gentlemen.