

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. 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

B1	10/288	16/1	7/197
B2	9/263 (dec)	14/1	1/99 (cc)
B5	8/241	10 Red	Ave 23.67

Individual Achievements

A Shearman	B1	65	M Robertson	16/1	58
J Bocking	B1	45 & 4/7	J Koski	16/1	3/29
P Mamo	B1	40*	G Joseph	15/1	57
A Subramaniam	B1	3/26	J Gardiner	14/1	51*
R Konstantopoulos	B2	122*	B Ripps	14/1	3/8
J Rich	B2	41	L Jerome	13/1	2/9
A Castellarin	B2	3/17	S Burns	13/1	2/18
A Nicholls	B5	70	J Luther	13/1	2/20
C Springall	B5	66*	A Dhaliwal	12/1	28
C Millgate	B8	5/54	A McElroy	12/1	2/15
P Coundrelis	B8	4/20	T Shekker	12/2	4/7
D Fonseca	B12	57 & 5/82	N Ninan	12/2	2/6
A Khan	B13	5/9	L Perkin	11/1	2/3
S Sharma	B13	4/10	R Johnston	11/1	2/4
A Liyanage	B14A	80 & 3/37	A Anpalagan	11/3	2/1
J Manning	B14B	55 & 2/11	A Chennapragada	11/3	2/2
C Jarvis	B14B	4/6 & 3/11	J Cherry	11/3	2/5
T Connell	B14B	3/17	Lachlan	10 Red	3/5

Team Rosters

In2Cricket Roster – Charles McLaughlin Reserve

To help out with the in2CRICKET (formerly Have-A-Go) clinic, senior teams have been rostered to provide 4 players to one of the sessions. Please make every effort to ensure your team helps out in this important junior development opportunity.

The clinic is held on Friday nights at Charles McLaughlin Oval. The sessions run from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

Date	Team
September 16, 2011	B2
September 23, 2011	B1
September 30, 2011	Not Held - School holidays
October 07, 2011	B13
October 14, 2011	B12, B14A
October 21, 2011	B9
October 28, 2011	B5
November 04, 2011	A Res
November 11, 2011	B11, B14B
November 18, 2011	B6
November 25, 2011	B7
December 02, 2011	B8

Meat Raffle Roster – Baulkham Hills Sporting Club

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 6:30 pm.

Date	Team
September 10, 2011	A Res
September 24, 2011	B5
October 08, 2011	B6
October 22, 2011	B1
November 05, 2011	B7
November 19, 2011	B9
December 03, 2011	B8
January 21, 2012	B13
February 04, 2012	B12
February 18, 2012	B2
March 03, 2012	B14A

The President's Roundup

Round 2 marked the beginning of the School holidays with Juniors playing a "one-dayer" and Seniors finishing early on day one due to wet weather. Understandably bowlers shone through in these conditions:

B8's	C Milgate 5/82,
B13's	A Khan 5/9,
B14B's	C Jarvis 4/6 & 3/11
12/2's	T Shekhar 4/7

The exception to this was Rob Konstantopoulos from the B2's who added another unbeaten 122 to his first up 103 no. Congratulations Rob yours was the only Ton in Round 2.

A number of players performed well with both bat and ball including:

B1's	J Blocking 45 & 4/7,
B12's	D Fonseka 57 & 5/82,
B14A's	A Liyanage 80 & 3/37,
B14B's	J Manning 55 & 2/11
12/2's	N Ninan 30 & 2/6

It was pleasing to see all three Senior teams with byes fulfil their umpiring commitments in Round 1, a trend that I hope will continue. Please continue to check rosters for in2CRICKET & meat raffle duties.

Remember that ALL TEAMS must enter full scoresheets on the website. So far the response has been good. If you experience any difficulties please contact Rick Thomas ASAP.

I look forward to getting around to as many Junior games as I can on a Saturday morning and please remember to enjoy your cricket.

Chris Springall
President

Ted Horwood Canteen



The Canteen Crew at Ted Horwood.

Come along on Saturdays and enjoy a great cup of coffee, some cakes or freshly made sandwiches.

Hot Food		Drinks:	
Toasted sandwich	\$4.00	Water	\$2.00
Cheese/Ham & Cheese/Cheese, tomato & onion		375ml Cans	\$2.00
Single serve quiche	\$3.00	Powerade	\$3.50
Pies	\$3.00	Poppers	\$1.00
Sausage Rolls	\$2.50	Coffee	\$3.50
Raisin Toast per slice	\$1.50	Tea	\$2.00
Toast with butter and vegemite	\$1.50	Hot Chocolate	\$3.70
 Fresh sandwiches		 Chips:	
	\$4.00	Plain	\$2.00
Slice of Cake / Muffin	\$2.50	C C's	\$2.00
 Confectionary:		 Ice Blocks:	
Mars Bars	\$2.00	Paddlepops	\$1.70
Crunchie	\$2.00	Icy Twist	\$1.20
Frogs	10c	Magnum	\$3.70
Killer Python	\$1.00	Cornetto	\$3.00
Freddo	50c		
Mixed lollies	\$1.00		
 Specials			
Raisin toast and coffee	\$4.50		
Cake/muffin and coffee	\$5.00		

Match Results and Reports

10 Red	3 for 71 (Ave 23.67)	Rouse Hill	9 for 63 (Ave 7.0)	Win on averages
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No report submitted.

10 White	6 for 57 (Ave 9.5)	Rouse Hill	7 for 112 (Ave 16.0)	Loss on averages
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Tough day at the office for U10 Whites this week came up against a determined side in the Rouse Hill Rams who were very disciplined in their batting. Our boys put up a good fight with some excellent bowling, 5 out bowled and 1 caught and bowled. Matthew and Ben did really well to only concede 6 runs off their overs whilst Brendan and Josh took 2 wickets each. Only 1 run out this week, which is a huge improvement over last week when we lost 5 wickets to run outs, excellent work boys.

Congratulations to Rouse Hill.

11/3	3 for 50	Kings Langley	9 for 42	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

11/2	6 for 76	Wenty Waratahs	6 for 70	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

11/1	4 for 87	Kings Langley	9 for 83	First Innings Win
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Baulkham Hills won the toss and elected to bowl.

After a very good tight opening spell by Harrison King and Luke Perkin with an early breakthrough Kings Langley steadied the innings and started to build an imposing score. At one stage they were 2/62 off just 15 overs.

But then some very good bowling by Ryan (1/2 from 4 overs) and Wijith (1/1 from 3 overs) with Harrison King (0/4 from 4 overs) and Luke (2/3 from 4 overs) being re-introduced into the attack had Kings Langley under pressure with wickets falling and runs drying up. Cameron Noud bowled a great line and length for figures of 1/2 from 2 overs. Then the great debut from new boy Rhys (in his 1st ever cricket match) getting 2/4 from 3 overs. Two great run-outs by Harry Sutherland and Michael Blinman and Kings Langley were restricted to just 9/83 from their allotted 31 overs.

Baulkham Hills then went in to bat, needing 84 to win.

Ryan opened the innings and had his best ever score of 28 not out - including 6 boundaries. This combined with his very good bowling gave him Man of the match honours.

Harrison Bultitude also scored his best ever score of 22 before being bowled, including 3 boundaries. A very good start by the numbers 2 and 3 today.

Michael Blinman scored a well-composed 9 and Harry Sutherland a powerful 13 (with one 4 going another 30 metres past the boundary).

Harrison King (4 n/o) and Luke (5 n/o) finished off the match with a great 3 all run and then a boundary to Luke on the last ball.

Another very good win, this time chasing a pretty reasonable score by Kings Langley.

Keep up the good play boys!

12/2	2 for 83	Greystanes	2 for 49	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

12/1	5 for 71	Hills Barbarians	6 for 138	First Innings Loss
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Round 2 - Hills Barbarians v Baulkham Hills

This was scheduled to be a one day match due impending school holidays where each team played 31 overs. This was always going to be a tough game because Hills Barbarians are U11/1 premiers and a very good side.

Hills Barbarians won the toss and elected to bat first. Adam secured an early breakthrough for the team taking the first wicket with only 2 runs on the scoreboard. Adam turned out to be the most successful bowler as well, taking 2 wickets from his 4 overs. Tharindu was the next most successful bowler taking 1 for 7 from 3 overs.

Barbarians recovered quickly from the early set back and went on to score a formidable 138 for 6 in 31 overs. Our bowling was really tight conceding only 14 extras – a much better effort than the last match.

Prakhar and Anav opened our batting getting a modest start, but unfortunately got out just as they were settling in. Very good batting by Arman for 28, Rufus 13 and Lachlan 10 in the middle order got the team a respectable score. Armaan was particularly impressive as he found the boundary 5 times during the innings.

The team finished on 71 for 5 in 31 overs handing a win to the Barbarians, but overall the team bowling and batting performance was significantly better than the start of the season.

Round 1 - Pendle Hill Colts v Baulkham Hills

Sat 10 Sep 2011 (Day 1)

A glorious day to start the cricket season! Just winding down from Soccer, but the team was 2 players short due a clash with Soccer Grand Finals. Although there was no sign of rain on the day, the outfield was a bit damp due to the rain from the last week. Baulkham Hills won the toss.

It looked like a good toss to win given the damp outfield – they naturally sent the Colts to bat. However, the Colts got off to a brilliant start. The opening pair scored 68 without loss in the first 10 overs. Some lovely drives past the boundary in spite of the ground conditions.

Nicolas Jones got the first break through for the team in the 10th over. Good accurate bowling in the next 45 overs restricted the Colts to 183 for 6 in 55 overs.

Nicolas was the best bowler of the day taking 3 wickets for 35 runs in 6 overs. Other successful bowlers were Arman Dhaliwal 1 wicket for 39 runs in 7 overs, Prakhar Sharma 1 wicket in 6 overs for 12 runs and Adam McElroy 1 wicket for 6 overs and 9 runs.

Sat 17 Sep 2011 (Day 2)

The team started the chase in right earnest - 183 is not a small target. Lachlan held the fort from one end scoring a good 16 runs as an opening batsman. However the wickets continued to fall at the other end regularly. Aarman, Soham and Adam didn't find much luck in the top order.

Rufus played a great innings scoring 36 runs in the middle order. Several of his attacking shots found the boundaries with ease. Rohan and Nicolas followed later in the innings. They showed plenty of patience, conserving their wickets and scoring some opportunistic runs, but the target was already looking way beyond reach at that stage. Overall, the team finished up on 94 handing the first win to Pendle hills Colts.

13/2	8 for 84	Kellyville	0 for 98	First Innings Loss
No report submitted.				

13/1	8 for 65	Wenty Waratahs	8 for 183	First Innings Loss
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Performances:

Luke Jerome 2/9

Stephen Burns 2/18

You can't play with only 9 players against a side that has been minor premiers for the last two seasons and expect to win.

14/1	1 for 99	Pendle Hill	7 for 86	First Innings Win
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One-day games are always interesting; anything can happen. Playing a new team in last year's U13/2 premiers only made it more interesting. They hadn't gone so well in Round 1, avoiding an outright loss, but we knew we would have to watch them closely!

It was a cool morning that had followed several days of heavy rain. The ground was wet but playable, the clouds loomed threateningly; we were keen to get a start. Pendle Hill won the toss (our new captain was off to a poor start there) and they elected to bat without hesitation.

As we have become accustomed, Brad and Ibteeda laid out a solid start and a firm welcome to Division 1 for Pendle Hill. A wicket in just the second over of the day to Ibteeda, a beautiful edge and catch to Kapil at 1st slip (a perfect cricket wicket), and Pendle Hill were already reconsolidating and finding the run scoring very difficult.

Ten overs in they found themselves steadying the ship and forming a partnership but they only had 26 runs on the board. We had our noses firmly in front. Their partnership continued and just as the runs started to flow they lost their second wicket at the score of 41 to James with a good but reasonably easy catch to Luke. From there Pendle Hill tried valiantly to push on and were scoring 4 to 5 runs an over but their joy was only short lived when Michael knocked over the stumps to claim our third wicket with the score on 55 in the 19th over. The remainder of their innings was a shared battle between bat and ball, more often the ball winning but runs were steadily added and the score crept higher. Wickets to Adam in the 24th over (4 for 68), a run out by Jake to Dan "the glove man" in the 29th over (5 for 80), a fantastic direct hit run out from slip to the bowler's end by Chris in the 31st over (6 for 82) and another wicket in the same over to Ewan closed out Pendle Hill's innings at 7 for 86. We thought this was a gettable score. We had bowled pretty well. Our fielding had been good.

Shortly after Jake and James strolled to the crease. Jake, a little out of sorts and having had an unhappy start to the season the week before, was looking for some runs. James, having scored an unbeaten 128 the previous week, was looking to consolidate on his excellent start to the season. As is often said, the most important thing after scoring a ton is to get straight back out there and firm up the good form. It was long before both were underway.

Runs came easily from the start and although both batsmen were playing within themselves, they found the boundary semi-regularly and ran well between the wickets. At the ten over mark we were 40 without loss and the game was heading our way. Five overs later we were 68 and our openers were looking even better. Jake was getting more confident each over and James continued his excellent form. Pendle Hill were brave and their bowling was solid but it just seemed that extra penetration wasn't there for them today. Finally a wicket gave them some joy in the 16th over (Jake gone, caught for 33) but with the score already on 69 we weren't all that troubled. Michael joined James at the crease and the last 18 runs were a formality. We batted on a few overs extra and finished at 1 for 99 in the 22nd. Michael finished 7 not out and James was rewarded with an unbeaten 51 bringing his season tally to 179 runs without loss.

Two rounds into the season and we are two from two. It's hard not to be happy with that. Well done guys.

On another note, a big thankyou to our new team manager Lise Bellam. Already making her presence felt and organising all the parents on to a scoring roster for the season. Of course we all know you're all willing and you'll all do your best but losing our reliable and resilient team scorer from last season has meant that the rest of the mums and dads now have to stand up and be counted, even if it is a learning exercise for some.....



15/2	7 for 21	Kings Langley	1 for 24	First Innings Loss
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No report submitted.

15/1	8 for 133	Rouse Hill	2 for 137	First Innings Loss
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Performances: G. Joseph 57

We got two late registrations on the eve of the game, which meant we would have 11 to start. A big welcome to Troy Black and to James McCallum - thanks for helping us out when otherwise we would have had to take the field short. News that our best batsman had been graded with Blacktown was bittersweet – a great accomplishment for him (congratulations George!), but it would mean he has to leave early each week to fulfil these commitments. We won the toss and batted, and George opened our innings with a positive approach. In the best innings I have seen him play, George dispatched the Rouse Hill bowlers to all parts of the ground in a chanceless exhibition of fine batting. In particular his straight driving of the ball was beautiful to watch. Unfortunately it had to be called short early, with George retiring on 57 (in 45 minutes off 50 balls) so that he could head off to his other game. This was a welcome respite to the Rouse Hill opposition, as at this stage we were 2 for 88 (off 18 overs) and were looking to post a sizable score. Unfortunately, we didn't fully capitalise on this platform, with Baulko losing regular wickets from there on. Ravi Marwah (17) provided stubborn resistance and some glimpse of his good form from the previous week, and Troy Black (15no) with Jamie Bugden (13) put some quick runs on the board in the final overs to help us post a moderate target of 8 for 133 off our allotted 31 overs.

We knew we would have to bowl and field well to defend this total against a strong batting attack from Rouse Hill. Our opening bowlers put in a good, tight spell, in particular Saad Shaheen (1 for 17 off 6 overs) but after taking the first wicket we struggled to dislodge the 2nd wicket pair who put on a classy 100 run partnership to steal the game from us. Our bowling was inconsistent – some great balls followed by some pies that were just asking to be dispatched. Our ground fielding was poor – not a lot of energy or effort on display, and with only 10 men on the field the opposition were picking gaps in the field with aplomb. The new Rouse Hill opening batsman 'imported' from Hornsby took full advantage of this and put on a running between the wickets display that could go into any 'master-class' series.

Despite the defeat there were some positives coming out of the game. Ryan's keeping was 1st class (nil byes), Troy's batting (after the initial couple of scratchy strokes) was solid and powerful, we got to see a bit more of Jamie's potential talent with the bat, and our bowlers can keep the opposition runs restricted when we follow the coaches instructions and don't bowl short!

16/1	7 for 197	Pendle Hill	6 for 160	First innings Win
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No report submitted.

B14B	10 / 88 & 1 / 32	Seven Hills	10 / 57 & 9 / 57	Outright Win
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No report submitted.

B14A	6 for 185	Rouse Hill	10 for 182	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

B13	7 for 173 (dec)	Kellyville	10 / 28 & 2 / 77	First Innings Win
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No report submitted.

B12	10 for 136 & 0 for 55	Wenty Leagues	8 for 282 (dec)	First Innings Loss
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Wenty won the toss and sent B Hills into bat. Unfortunately, wickets fell at regular intervals with the mainstay of the innings being Dilshan with 57. The score of 136 all out was always likely to prove difficult to defend on a smallish ground and an outfield that was quite fast on the first day. Wenty achieved the first innings target with only 3 wickets down and with plenty of time available on the second day. They went on to 8 for 283 before declaring the innings closed, giving them a lead of 147 runs on the first innings. Dilshan was the pick of the bowlers finishing with 5 for 82 off 15 overs. The other wicket takers were Lasith with 2 for 16 and Chris Gunton with 1 for 23.

B Hills was then left with around 80 minutes to bat and finished at 0 for 55 when play was called off around half an hour early. Lasith and Neshan doing a good job to finish 28 and 24 not out, respectively.

Thanks to Chris Blinman for filling in and giving us a full team.

B11	BYE
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Nothing to report.

B9	BYE
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Nothing to report.

B8	10 / 93 & 10 / 76	Rouse Hill	9 for 202	Outright Loss
No report submitted.				
B7	10 / 44 & 10 / 73	Rouse Hill	1 for 168 (dec)	Outright Loss
No report submitted.				
B6	10 for 82 & 3 for 42	Kings Langley	8 for 246 (dec)	First Innings Loss
No report submitted.				
B5	8 for 241	Kings Langley	7 for 242	First Innings Loss
A Nicholls 70, C Springall 66no				

Week one saw the B5's assemble at the home of Cricket for the first time this season with players looking to exercise more than their index fingers after umpiring duties in Round 1.

The team looked good on paper being a combination of players from different teams last year. The toss was won and both Andy N & Ward set about building a steady opening partnership. With the score at 1/58 Andy "don't hit my pads" Denlow was given out and was joined in quick succession by Ben & Andy G. Sam provided A.N with good support and they took the score to 111 before Sam departed. By this time the sky had darkened and K.L felt certain of snaring a couple of easy wickets before the rains came. However, with whites that hadn't seen daylight for the past three seasons and a bat devoid of all branding the president himself strode to the crease. Mustering years of experience he basically stood in front of the stumps trying to see the ball. This continued until the rain fell and play was halted with Baulko at 6/178. Day one had belonged to Andrew Nicholls who played superbly for a fine 70.

Day two saw Baulko having only another 7 overs to bat, and after a cautious 17 from the first 4 the K.L fieldsmen were seen scurrying for cover as a further 46 runs came from the final 18 deliveries. Excellent hitting from Mat and Simon supported Chris's fighting 66no to give us a good total of 241.

Baulko started steadily with the ball as both Ward and Ben bowled tightly without a great deal of luck. K.L pushed on under better batting conditions to move to 1/97 and then the tide turned. The pres pulled off a brilliant run out showing the younger generation how it's done. Together with some great bowling and fielding by Simon and Ben saw K.L 5/196 in the 49 over needing another 46 from the remaining 42 balls. Unfortunately it was not Baulko's day and although putting in a great effort K.L passed the required runs on the last ball of the day.

A great game of cricket had been played and even though the hollow feeling of defeat took the edge off a well-earned beer. The team showed glimpses of talent that will hopefully see us through to victory next round.

B2	9 for 263 (dec)	Wenty Waratahs	9 for 65	First Innings Win
No report submitted.				
B1	10 for 288	Kellyville	10 for 204	First Innings Win
(Special Medieval Edition)				

Once upon a time there was a kingdom called Baulkham Hills. It was ruled by the noble King (captain) Matrick and for a throne he had a golden couch. His subjects, known around the land as the B1s, payed him homage and made sure that that he always had plenty of sport for entertainment. But then one day the Kellyville Horde invaded the land bringing war with them. And when King Matrick heard that they had abducted the fair maiden Jessica Yates he ordered his B1 subjects to meet their forces on the Wrights Road battlefield to do battle until only one team stood victorious.

In his vanguard (openers) he sent in his trusted comrade Lord Jason of Mango Manor and a new knight in his service, Sir Chesh. They donned their armour (pads) and met the charge of Kellyville on the greensward (pitch). The battle was fierce my friends and the B1s watched on nervously as their companions battled the Kellyville bowlers.

Lord Jason was first to fall, bravely spilling his blood for the cause. This brought the young warrior Amar into the fray and he used his rapier (bat) with skill and grace before committing to a suicide mission and being run out.

The King's erstwhile court jester, the Hoax, had been banished from court for treasury (kitty) controversies. Fearing torture from the black-masked executioner Masso for his crimes, he fled the land. With the Hoax now gone, it was left to Hoffy and Hushy, or the village idiots, as they were known in the Realm, to provide the humour on the sidelines. King Matrick was wroth with their antics though, and needed a human fire blanket to appease his anger.

Shearman, the Black Knight, was soon to take to the field and he flailed about him with illogical emails and his flashing bat, striking boundaries and dispatching any of the Kellyville bowlers who came up against him. He raced to 50 and was close to single-handedly routing our foes. But in his prime he was cut down by a stray arrow and grievously wounded. His comrades carried him from the field and a barrel of double bourbon was called for to staunch his wounds.

The battle raged on and good men perished as momentum started to swing back towards the Kellyville Horde. And so it was that the King sent his champion, Sir Sloggy, into the fray and he put on his armour and took up his mighty broadsword that he had named the Titan, and charged into the melee on his horse. Assailed by taunts from behind the stumps, the big man hewed with his giant sword and struck a number of boundaries to push back the enemy.

But alas, as he was warming to his work, a cunning ploy from their infantry (slower ball) cut him down. And women throughout the realm were distraught at his fall and damsels and housewives everywhere wept for the loss of the people's hero.

The village idiots had come and gone on either side of Sloggy and things looked grim as Kellyville threatened to win the day. And so King Matrick decided it was time for him to enter the field, and with him he took Sir JB who had acquitted himself so well in previous battles. And theirs was a special love that only cousins can share.

With a great roar (internally) JB hurtled into the battle with his King. JB was known throughout the land by both men and especially the women as the Excitement Machine. He and Matrick put together a partnership and beat back the Kellyville bowlers. And men feared them, as they seemed invincible as storm clouds drew down and the light slipped from the land. Their foes quailed before them and they led the B1s to a strong position before the trumpet sounded at nightfall for men to retreat and tend to their wounded. The King and his Knight were left unbeaten.

The horn sounded for battle to commence on day 2 and the King was soon joined by the golden-haired warrior Billy who laid about him with his willow and collected runs as quickly as the court jester Hoaxy can put away long necks.

The B1s were on top and looked to rout the Kellyville barbarians, and King Matrick decided to unleash another form of attack. A bright red cherry was called for and Sloggy took it up and cast down their big-mouthed warrior second ball. Then Woodsy, who had been held in reserve, came into the fray, with crazy eyes and a bustling run up. He struck early and Kellyville were reeling.

But they were not done with and they sent their own champion into the battle to frustrate the Baulkham Hills push for victory. It became a war of attrition as leather met willow and blood was spilt. The King himself and his idiot took a turn and the Kellyville champion met their challenge and scythed boundaries and runs in an hour of steely batting.

The peasants (fielders) were all out patrolling their pastures, scouring the ground for any red seeds that came near them to plant and hopefully sow some Kellyville wickets. But lo, a foul plague then descended upon the land and it came in the form of poor hand-eye coordination as no one seemed able to catch a cold there for the middle overs. Things were starting to look a little grim.

The King's counsellors met and were looking at devising a plan to get the black-masked executioner SK behind enemy lines to wreak havoc with their supply lines in a desperate bid to turn the tide of battle, when the Excitement Machine was called upon again to spark a change in fortunes.

And his gambling and concentration skills may be poor, but right now his cricket is strong and he and the young knight Amar suddenly ripped through the heart of the Kellyville forces and JB slayed their champion and exposed their tail. With spirits on the up, the B1s made one last push and the tatters of the Kellyville Horde retreated before them and were humbled. King Matrick then cast down the gates of their keep and reclaimed the fair maiden Jessica Yates and the B1s returned to their castle (the Sporto) to rapturous acclaim from the people. They had won the day and vanquished their foes.

All the next day they feasted and drank and gambled at the House of Hoff, but that, my friends, is a story for another day...

Hoffy Enterprises (c)

A Reserve	8 for 155	Hills Barbarians	7 for 157	First Innings Loss
No report submitted.				