

The Third Man's Report

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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 all Captains, Coaches and Managers

Match Results

I need match results in **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:

B12	10 for 231
14/1	7 for 224
10W	5 for 104

Individual Achievements

Ben Atkins	B1	90	Tom Ortiz	15/1	3/17
Scott Thorn	B1	56	Vrushank Bhakshi	15/2	4/6
Jason Currey	B2	50	Tom Hough	15/2	4/15
Greg McLoughlin	B4	63	Tevin Liyanage	14/1	64
Prasad Chelliah	B11	109 no	Sam Shiel	14/1	4/30
Nirav Goradia	B11	5/17	Ryan Bailey	14/2	55 no & 4/17
Tim Chesher	B12	95	Anoop Vaidya	13/1G	3/4
D Hugill	B13	70	Tom Lockhart	13/2	72
C Millgate	16/2	4/34	Amit Balakrishnan	13/2	3/18
A Jervis	16/2	4/24	Damon Luck	13/3	68
Omal Fernando	15/1	42	Liam Moxom	13/3	31
R Wilde	15/1	3/9	Malav Shah	12/2G	3/14

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
October 27	B9	14/3
November 3	B10	13/1G
November 10	B11	13/1M
November 17	B12	13/2
November 24	B13	13/3
December 1	B1	12/1

The President's Roundup

The committee would like to thank the Bankstown Sports Club for the generous support they provide to us every year. With some of the funds they have provided, we have had new practice nets built at Charles McLaughlin Oval. The nets have been completed for less than a week and already, practice times have been almost booked out. The club would also like to acknowledge the assistance provided for the project from Baulkham Hills Shire Council, Cricket NSW and the Doug Walters Club.

Have-A-Go started last week and we have already got 74 children signed up, with a promise of more to come! It is making life interesting. The program is held on Friday nights, at Charles McLaughlin Reserve, commencing at 6.00pm and runs for 10 weeks up until 21 December. If anyone can assist with coaching, please contact me – we would like to see some of the U16 & U15 players involved, even if only for a few weeks.

The annual Bankstown Challenge is on again, being held on November 25. It is our turn to host the event, so the games involving senior and U11 teams will be held at Charles McLaughlin Oval. We are looking for senior players, so if you are interested in playing, please contact Jason Currey or myself to be considered for selection.

Thanks to those who attended our last monthly meeting. Remember, they are held on the first Tuesday of each month and we require a representative of each team to attend. The next meeting is on November 6.

The Raffle tickets, which were given out to team officials at the September meeting, are due back at the November monthly meeting. All players should have received their tickets, so get them completed and returned to your team officials please. They are due back at the November monthly meeting.

The Baulkham Hills Sports Club is giving us some vouchers for use at the club restaurant. We will be handing these out to team's managers during the season and they will award them to players. For those who receive one, we ask that you use it at the club (they are valid for 3 months). Please support the Sports Club, as they support us. The restaurant menu is available on the cricket club website. Check out the restaurant menu here: [Tree View menu](#)

Good luck to all club members who are involved in PDCA rep teams, either as players, coaches or managers. We will acknowledge all players selected for rep duties in a future issue.

We would like to remind senior (and junior) teams that all players must be registered before they can play. This also ensures they are covered by insurance. Senior captains should contact Senior Registrar Jason Currey to ensure correct procedure is followed.

It is disappointing that we only have two senior reports in this edition of the newsletter, although we can excuse A Grade and B10, there's not a lot to say about a bye! The editor thinks it would be nice if the other senior teams could be bothered to spend some time to write a few lines about their game each round.

Peter McLoughlin
President
(with a little help from the Owzatt editor!)

Match Results and Reports

10 Blue 8 for 91 Wenty Leagues 10 for 85 Win on averages

Our boys batted first with Angus top scoring with 14 runs, pushed all the way by Malachi in their opening partnership, their running between wickets was a highlight. The boys were doing well till the last couple of overs losing 4 of their 8 wickets in their last 2 overs

Our boys fielded well with 9 on the field, still too many extras but they contributed in the wickets that counted.

Best bowling from Saxon with 4 wickets and a brilliant diving catch from Matthew the highlight so far in the year

Well done boys

10 Red 10 for 108 Winston Hills 5 for 133 Loss on averages

A much improved game for the boys. We scored over 100 runs which is excellent for a bunch of new players. Some better hitting this week & running between the wickets saw us achieve this goal. Our bowling continues to improve, although the no ball count let us down this game. To restrict the opposition to 133 was a great effort considering that most of their team batted like Adam Gilchrist. Well done boys!

10 White 5 for 104 Greystanes 7 for 89 Win on averages

After a convincing win versus Kings Langley the Whites were against Greystanes at their Home ground.

Brandon was assigned Captain for the game and promptly won the toss; deciding to bat.

Blake graciously offered to be 13th Man for the game.

Michael and Jason opened the batting. Jason faced a tight first over which was a maiden. After defending well and picking up two runs he was unluckily bowled on his last ball. Jason and Michael ran well between the wickets and pinched some cheeky singles.

Michael also faced some tight bowling and produced a solid innings of 6 runs without losing his wicket.

Jake was in next. Jake played his eye in, by picking up a few singles before unleashing the beast. Jake picked 3 boundaries in his last over and a high score of 17 runs without losing his wicket – excellent stuff!

Brandon came in next and made a promising start by immediately running a few singles. Unfortunately Brandon faced some excellent bowling and fielding that tied him down. However his defence was very solid and he kept his wicket intact for 3 runs. Jake and Brandon shared in a good partnership that accelerated the teams scoring rate.

Chris came to the wicket and faced some tight bowling early on. Chris' patience was rewarded with two excellent shots resulting in boundaries. Chris kept his wicket intact and scores 11 runs, great work.

Greystanes fielding was very tight during Arsh's innings. Arsh looked very solid except for one wayward shot where he was caught. Arsh scored four singles in his partnership with Chris.

Tarush was in next and proceed to bat with a lot of confidence. Tarush picked off the bad balls and scored 4 runs as well as keeping his wicket intact –excellent effort.

Brendan was in next. Brendon faced some of Greystanes best bowlers and was unlucky to be out caught and then bowled for no runs. Brendan batted with a lot of resolve today but not much luck.

Oliver joined Brendan and proceeded to put in a very determined effort which may prove to be a very crucial partnership. Oliver followed the coach's instructions to defend and look to score down the leg side. Greystanes tight bowling continued and Oliver repelled their attempts to take his wicket. Even though Oliver ended up with no runs he contributed to a strong partnership with Patrick by keeping his wicket intact – super stuff!

Patrick strode to the crease looking to up the run rate. The first ball was dispatched over the bowlers head for a scintillating boundary. Greystanes's responded by bowling well and restricted Patrick to a valuable 7 runs, for the loss of no wickets. A very strong innings.

Scott was in next looking to accelerate the scoring. Scott ended up with a total of four runs and kept his wicket intact. Scott contributed to a great partnership with Nathan that propelled the team's score over the 100 runs mark.

Nathan was last batsman in with the plan to finish the innings off with a flurry of runs. Nathan delivered, by scoring three sensational boundaries and picked up some singles for a total of 15 runs. Unfortunately Nathan was bowled out once. Nathan's partnership with Scott provided the team with an excellent finish to our innings.

The mighty Whites scored 73 runs off the bat and received 31 sundries for a total of 104 runs and an average of 17.33. This was a superb team effort. We need to replicate Greystanes accurate bowling and excellent fielding effort next week if we are a chance to win the game.

The team turned up for day two after practicing some tight bowling and fielding at training during the week.

Arsh opened the bowling and provided the team with the ideal start by removing the offside stump clean out of the ground with a magnificent first up delivery. Greystanes knew they were in for a fight. Arsh was unlucky not to get more wickets as a few catches were dropped off his bowling. Arsh bowled a very tight and economical spell of 4 overs (one maiden) for 6 runs and the single wicket – A great start.

Jake opened from the other end and also bowled a very economical effort, without any luck to finish with the equally excellent figures of 4 overs, including a maiden for 7 runs. Jake's bowling kept the pressure on Greystanes.

Oliver put his hand up next and proceeded to bowl his best spell of the season of three overs for only 10 runs, and was unlucky not to pick up a wicket - superb effort.

Brendan also contributed with some excellent bowling (best for the season so far!) bowling three overs for a miserly 5 runs

Oliver and Brendan's opening overs kept the pressure on Greystanes.

Jason produced an outstanding bowling performance of 4 overs, three maidens for only 2 runs. Jason also bowled without much luck a few chances were put down off his bowling.

Chris bowled before the break with another economical spell of 2 overs for 6 runs. Baulko were applying sustained pressure through tight bowling and excellent fielding.

Patrick spell of three overs 1 wicket for 5 runs kept the Greystanes team under pressure. Patrick put into practice what we trained for at training – excellent effort.

Scott's effort help the team move ahead in the game by claiming a wicket with his second ball. Scott finished up with a great 1 wicket for 14 runs off three overs – superb stuff.

Nathan put in a sensational effort by picking up a wicket with his third ball. Nathan's combined spells of three overs; one wicket for 6 runs turned the screws on the Greystanes team.

Tarush kept the pressure up. Tarush was held in reserve to be bowled against some of the Greystanes lower order. He responded well and bowled four overs, including a maiden for a miserly 9 runs – great result.

Brandon who was wicket keeper for the first half of the game bowled within himself today. Brandon secured a wicket in his first over, was a little unlucky in his second over but came back in his third with an excellent over of containment. Brandon finished up with one wicket off 3 overs for 13 runs – gritty effort.

Even though we struggled to get wickets in the second half of the game our fielding and tight bowling saw the mighty Whites emerge triumphantly. Greystanes scored 89 runs for the loss of 7 wickets with an average of 11.125. The mighty Whites victorious with an average of 17.33 strong result. We need to reduce the amount of wides and no balls that we bowl.

Man of the match was Nathan for his excellent all round effort of scoring 15 runs, 1 run out and a magnificent catch.

Scott was awarded the most improved award for his excellent bowling, sensational catch strong batting and great fielding.

Top fielding efforts (apologies if I leave someone out):

The team put in an excellent fielding effort today some of the highlights were:

- Nathan direct hit run out from long stop as well as tacking a sensational catch
- Oliver putting in an excellent effort in trying to cut off a boundary.

- Jason cutting off many fours and throwing in some great returns from deep square leg.
- Jake stopping numerous balls going for 4 at fine led.
- Scott taking a screamer of a running catch
- All the new team members bowling & fielding are improving with every game!!
- Chris for being on the ball and making a stumping
- Brandon with some excellent keeping and making a spectacular slide save cutting off a boundary, reminiscent of Ricky Ponting in the filed!
- Patrick making a freaky run out off his own bowling – spectacular stuff!
- Every one backed each other up when returns were coming to the stumps.

Next game is versus Seven Hills at Charles McLaughlin (Home game).

Boy's during the next game lets hear more talk and support each other in the filed – importantly lets have some FUN!!!

I will be away for day one of the next game and ask if some of the parents can assist Ray with the team.

11/3	10 for 118, 10 for 23	Hills Barbarians	9 for 169	Outright loss
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Day one saw Baulko win the toss and predictably took the opportunity to bat. We started off with a bit of a scare on 8 when William Rose accidentally hit his own wicket when attempting a hook shot for what should have been a great four if the bails didn't get in the way. Mitchell Gapper came to the crease with high expectations from himself, and the scorer, and hit a good knock of 14 before being bowled by a spin attack from the Barbarians. Great effort Mitchell and also to Thomas Flynn who stayed with you and smashed a great boundary himself before being bowled out.

Cameron Olijnyk was next to the crease but was unfortunately run out early leaving the score at 3 for 26. Thomas Andrews nervously approached the crease and much to the frustration of the opposition showed a great amount of patience in hanging around for 90 minutes before being caught behind for 3 runs. With him for most of the time was Francis Farrell who scored 11 before knocking his own bails off attempting a smash hook. Well done Tom and Francis on a very patient partnership of 43 runs that included the opposition bowling a lot of forced no balls in trying to get you both out. The final score finished at 9 for 118, our best score so far so well done boys on a great effort.

The Barbarians were sent in for their first innings towards the end of day one and were heading home at the finish of play with the loss of 4 for 47. At the beginning of day 2 there was a lot of confidence surrounding the players (and parents) that we were in for a close game.

Unfortunately the Barbarians were proving harder to remove then the previous week and settled in to score a total of 169. The scorer was told that they had learnt to be patient from Baulko the week before and not to go after everything and save their wickets.

Baulko did bowl well with the boys sharing the wickets; Tom Andrews 2 for 9, Jimmie Farrell 2 for 10, Mark Foskett 1 for 16, William Rose 2 for 25 and Francis Farrell 1 for 10. Congratulations boys on some good bowling.

Baulko were sent back in to bat needing 51 runs to catch the Barbarians first innings total and more if there was to be some hope of winning. The Barbarians came out firing and Baulko were sent packing all out for 23, disappointed but heads up for next week.

Special mention should be made to Daniel Kal of the Barbarians who finished with the impressive second innings bowling figures of 6 for 1 off four over's including 2 maidens and a hat trick. Congratulations Daniel.

11/2	10 for 43	Greystanes	10 for 112	First innings loss
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We were against the Greystanes team for this round. Our Captain for the match was Jehan. He won the toss & elected to field. He had such a confidence in his team that we can successfully chase any target. The weather was very good. We opened our bowling very well with Greystanes struggling at 5 for 45. But the team fought back very well to finish off at 112 in 44 overs.

All our bowlers did extremely well with Milo & Rithwik capturing 2 wickets each. Nicholas, Jehan, Cameron, Nathan, Ramal & Viva bowled brilliantly taking a wicket each.

The highlight of the match is a spectacular one handed catch by James, which would have made even Ricky Ponting very proud. Well done! James. Bravo!

Viva also pulled off a scintillating catch, which thrilled the spectators. We have shown that our fielding skills are improving a lot! Our batting efforts were not in our usual style. In accordance with our rotation policy, our middle order batsmen opened our innings with disastrous result. I would say that it is an experience that we learn from. All batsmen should be comfortable to play at any position. The main purpose is for each batsman to enjoy the game, whatever happens. As I say often, let the coach handle the pressure. Each player should play each ball at its merit.

We need more training to make our batsmen concentrate on their shot selection, for each delivery on its merit, whatever order, they play, top, middle or tail.

When James & Viva put together a very good partnership, things appeared bright. It is possible to win this match. But alas wickets fell regularly. Sebastian fought bravely, in his usual style and remained not out. Our new kid, Jordan, showed his enthusiasm in fielding & batting.

Again I have to tackle the difficult work of choosing the award winner:

- Man of the Match Award goes to: Milo for his fielding, bowling & a great batting effort.
- Catch of the Match Award goes to: James for the catch of the season.
- Special batting Award goes to: James for his patient & defensive Innings.

Finally, we succumbed to a very good bowling effort by the Greystanes Team. It is not a loss. It is an experience that would pave way for future successes!

We can be proud of our efforts. This has given us an opportunity to show more determination to learn & succeed. Milo talked to me after the match, saying that he wanted to have more training in batting. He is keen to improve his batting. That is the spirit that we all need to show, at this point. We can succeed, if we show more belief in ourselves, enthusiasm to learn, determination to succeed and willingness to put in the hard yards and enjoy this wonderful game.

Next week we are facing Winston Hills, at our home ground. Bring it on!

11/1	10 for 131	Rouse Hill Rams	10 for 89, 4 for 61	First innings win
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Well, round 3 saw us come up against the other undefeated team in the competition – Rouse Hill.

With Ryan as captain, we won the toss for the first time this season, and sent the opposition into bat on a field badly in need of a mow. From the get go, our boys put on a sterling show. With good line and length bowling there was a steady flow of Rouse Hill batsmen heading back to the pavilion throughout the morning. We did not allow them to construct any worthwhile partnerships, with sharp fielding backing up our bowling attack. Of the 10 bowlers used, best figures were returned by Liam Dunshea (3 for 19 off 7 overs), Owen Smith (2 for 10 off 8 overs), Troy Black (1 for 7 off 7 overs), Nick Andrews (1 for 5 of 3.5 overs), Michael McConnell (1 for 11 off 3 overs) and Tom Waddups (1 for 2 off 4 overs).

Definite improvement was also seen in the registering of our lowest total of sundries given away this season (18). In the end we rolled Rouse Hill to be all out for 89 off 43.5 overs, with only 2 of their batsmen reaching double figures. Our 4 catches were punctuated with a screamer taken by Michael McConnell (again) in the gully, and a clever run out by Owen Smith from the wicket-keeping position.

We commenced our innings late on day 1 with a new opening pair, and by stumps we were 3 for 34 and the match evenly poised. On day 2, with a freshly mown oval at our disposal, diligent batting and cleverly constructed partnerships helped us inch closer and closer to the required total, eventually passing their total with 7 wickets down. We batted on for some much required time in the middle, with the coach giving instructions to press ahead with the run rate. Eventually we were dismissed for a total of 131 off 53.3 overs – and a 1st innings lead of 43. The innings contained some great running between the wickets, and some unselfish batting as we tried to up the ante at the end. Best for Baulko were Troy Black (28), Liam Dunshea (16), Ryan Chelvarajah (14) and Owen Smith (11). Once again, ably assisted by S. Undries (37).

It was still early on day 2, so we sent Rouse Hill back in for another dig, and played around a bit with our bowling order. At stumps, Rouse Hills were 4 for 62 in their 2nd innings, and Baulko had secured the 7 points and outright (undefeated) lead of the competition. Best bowling was from Michael Bellam (0 for 0 off 3 overs), Daniel Waddups (1 for 3 off 2 overs), Brad Rippes (1 for 1 off 2 overs) and Michael McConnell (1 for 3 off 2 overs).

After only 3 rounds, some telling statistics for a Division 1 side indicate the all-round strength of our team, and our lack of reliance on any single “star” player:

- All 12 registered players have taken a wicket when bowling;
- No single player has bowled more than 14% of total overs bowled, or scored more than 22% of our total runs (off the bat);
- 28% of overs bowled have been maidens;
- 24 competition points achieved out of an available 27 (allowing for one-day game)

12/2 Maroon	10 for 134	Hills Barbarians	5 for 139	First innings loss
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Mitchell (0 for 5) and Utkarsh (0 for 13) opened the bowling and maintained a very tight line and length which the Hills Barbarian openers had difficulty scoring from. Their openers were very solid and did not take any risks and they did not lose a wicket until the 12th over when Varun (1 for 25) bowled one of the openers. Although we were not getting many wickets we still bowled well with not many runs were being scored. Other bowlers to take wickets were Joshua (1 for 29), Luke (1 for 16) and Kunal (2 for 7).

Utkarsh took a good catch in the slips and in general our ground fielding was of a high standard. However we missed several chances and the Hills Barbarians made us pay with their other opener scoring 75 runs after being dropped 3 times. Hills Barbarians ended up with 139 runs from 55 overs which meant that we had to bat very well if we were going to win.

Baulko's turn to bat and our openers, Siddhant (10) and Luke (17), really applied themselves seeing both opening bowlers off for the 1st time ever. At the first drinks break we were 1 for 52 and traveling along well. We continued to bat very well and steadily approached the Hills Barbarian total. We looked like we would be able to reach the required total when Joshua (17) was run out, in what was a controversial decision. In the end we fell just 5 runs short of our target in the 53rd over. The other batsmen to score runs were Mitchell (13), Utkarsh (6), Michael (2), Riaz (1) and Kunal (4 not out).

Although we didn't come away with the points the boys batted the best I have seen them bat this season, they really applied themselves well and it was great team effort. If we had held our catches we would have won easily, a hard earned lesson!

Player of the match was Luke for his 17 runs and bowling figures of 1 for 16.

12/2 Gold	10 for 69	AKA Crusaders	10 for 156	First innings loss
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We started the match short of both opening bowlers Jayden and Ishmam, but the boys did really well to restrict the opening batsmen in the early stages.

Unable to get an early breakthrough, the opening batsmen started to get on top of our guys. Ishmam arrived and gave the boys a new lease of life, but it was Benjamin Eades who finally broke through for the first wicket after an opening stand of around 50 runs.

All the boys were given an opportunity to bowl and they did really well. Special mention to Malav Shah with figures of 3 for 14 which included getting the opposition's most dangerous batsman out for a golden duck.

Jackson Manning was outstanding in the field taking 2 fantastic catches and did a great job in leading the team and applauding good efforts from his team mates.

We finally got them all out and then had the mammoth task of getting 150+ runs against a good side.

Malav Shah - 3 overs 3 wickets for 14 runs, Ishman Masud - 8 overs, 2 wickets for 15 runs, Jackson Manning - 8 overs, 2 wickets for 16 runs, Timothy Engdahl - 4 overs, 0 wicket for 10 runs, James Argent - 5 overs, 1 wickets for 25 runs, Benjamin Eades - 4 overs, 1 wickets for 11 runs, Lachlan Moore - 5 overs 0 wickets for 18 runs, Lucas Kent - 4 overs 0 wickets for 15 runs, Blaine Cuneo - 4 overs 0 wickets for 14 runs, Dylan Stalley - 2 overs, 0 wickets for 7 runs, Bradley Young - 2 overs, 1 wicket for 3 runs

Both opening batsmen did their best to stay not out after being forced to bat late on the first day. Early on the second day we lost both openers in quick time and were suddenly 4 down for next to nothing, Ishmam Masud came to the crease and showed what he's capable of with a gutsy and determined 19 runs, he was supported by Benjamin Eades who showed he deserves a rise in the batting order with a very handy 12 runs. But the task was too great and we fell for 69 runs.

Blaine Cuneo - 2 runs, Jackson Manning - 0 runs, Benjamin Eades - 12 runs, Dylan Stalley - 1 run, Lucas Kent - 2 runs, Ishmam Masud - 19 runs, Timothy Engdahl - 2 runs, James Argent - 1 run, Malav Shah - 1 run, Lachlan Moore - 1 run, Jayden Stafford - 4 runs (not out)

There was some really good fielding efforts in this game, Tim Engdahl did a great job stopping many balls destined for the boundary. Everyone else showed great improvement in returning the ball to the stumps and chasing after the ball, well done to everyone. But, the fielding award has to go to Jackson Manning for taking 2 very hard catches in close and leading his team by example. Well done.

I have to say, even though we lost, the boys showed that they are not far from a win. They have improved greatly and showed a lot of spirit in this match.

12/1	10 for 108	Wenty Leagues	10 for 154	First innings loss
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We won the toss for the third match in a row and with no luck batting first in our first 2 matches, we asked Wenty to have a bat. An early run out and good tight bowling from Michael and Ravi both 0 for 7 off their opening spell and we had them at 1 for 20 after 10. Bryce's leg spin captured our next 2 wickets then a 61 run partnership by Wentys 4 & 5 batsmen left us a little dejected. Josh finally broke through rattling the stumps with a high-speed inswinger giving the boys something to cheer about. Sachin and Ravi cleaned up the tail with Wenty losing their last 5 wickets for only 6 runs. Ravi's 3 for 20 from 8 overs and a

hat trick chance was the best of the bowlers, but we left our run a little too late, leaving us with a 155 run chase. Top scorer for Wenty was S.undries at 44, not our best effort.

We thought that 3 runs an over was achievable, as we had all morning to get them and the boys were really keen to have a bat. But we soon found out that Wenty's bowling attack was the reason they were on top of the competition ladder. Alex was the only batsmen to get into double figures, unbeaten on 46 and running out of partners on his way to a half century. Alex continued his good form and played some outstanding off side shots hitting 5 fours in the process. Alex showed us that playing a straight bat and waiting for the bad balls to score off was the way to go. Well done Alex, I'm sure a 50 is just an innings away.

We didn't bat out our 55 overs which is something we will need to work hard on in the future, but it's all experience and we shouldn't be disappointed. It was a good all round effort by everyone, we just need to score a few more runs, keep the sundries down and a win is just around the corner.

13/3	10 for 173	Kellyville	10 for 128	First innings win
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Baulko went into bat first and did a great job. Damon scored a magnificent 68 runs but couldn't get any of the top order to hang around for too long with him. Finally Liam came in at No 8 and decided to stay awhile. He made 31 brilliant runs. Well done boys and also to the other boys who contributed to our score. Kellyville got Baulko out early on the first day, which gave Baulko a chance to send Kellyville in to bat. Yardy got 2 fantastic wickets before the end of play on the first day, (2 for 6). Baulko were totally pumped and went home feeling very optimistic about finishing Kellyville off swiftly.

On the 2nd day of play Kellyville came into bat and decided to hang around and make some runs. Baulko's magic looked like it was disappearing. Ryan stepped up and bowled a great 2 for 10. Dimitri and Nicholas also got 2 out each which was excellent. The rest of the team made a positive contribution to the bowling and some great catches were taken. Baulko finally got Kellyville all out for 128 runs. Great effort boys! A magnificent start to the season with 2 out of 3 wins.

13/2	10 for 157, 4 for 57	Kellyville	10 for 108	First innings win
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Our first win for the season, and very well deserved with all the players contributing in an overall fine team performance.

Winning the toss and batting Baulko put on 157 before being bowled out in the 41st over. The highlight of the innings was a powerful 72 from opener Tom Lockhart (14 fours and 1 enormous six), with strong supporting contributions from Taylor Stewart with 19, Shannon Surendra 18, Ruben Roberston 9 and Jack Marton 8. The boys put some good partnerships together and if we can just learn to bat out our overs there will be some big scores coming!

At the end of the first day Kellyville were 1-30, so the game was in the balance.

The second day saw Baulko bowl with great consistency and with a pleasing lack of sundries being given away. Starting with a wicket off the first ball of the day the pressure was kept on and wickets fell steadily, with Kellyville being bowled out for 108. Highlights of the bowling were the spin combination of Amit Balikrishnan (3-18) and Tod Ripps (2-11), with the pace bowlers all bowling well and the wickets being shared around. Other wicket takers were Nevin Arora (1-13), Geoff McIntyre (1-7), Tom Lockhart (1-4), Gaj Sivapalan (1-7) and Tom Connell (1-12) with his very first wicket in cricket. Jack kept very well with few byes, a good catch and a sharp stumping.

Baulko's second innings saw the score progress to 2 for 57 off 20 overs before stumps were drawn. Harry Druery scored a well compiled 19 not out in his first go at opening, with Nevin Arora contributing 9 not out.

It was great to see the improvement in the batting this game and the consistency in the bowling as well. Everybody contributed to a well deserved win. Tom Lockhart deservedly won the Man of the Match award for his batting, a sharp spell of pace bowling and a well taken catch.

13/1 Maroon	10 for 114	Kings Langley	6 for 271	First innings loss
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This was one of the tough games. Kings Langley are one of the two stand out teams. They showed their class and gave our boys an idea of the standard they will meet in 1st division. In the field we let them get away after a pretty good start. Some of our bowlers went for a few runs but there were also some great efforts with the ball. Amar Subramaniam led the way with 2/26 off 10 overs and Tom Hughes also took 2 wickets (2/29). We will need to work more on our fielding to keep the pressure on and make it more difficult for teams to bat against us.

With the bat, we showed that we could match it with some of the best bowlers. We batted most of the day and each player showed good improvement. Nick McConnell led with 40 and Ashleigh Thomas was solid with 23. Overall there were some very positive signs and we are showing improvement every week. We look forward to our match against Pendle Hill and if the boys can take the same intensity into that game we should do very well.

13/1 Gold	10 for 147	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 119, 1 for 43	First innings win
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Pendle Hill won the toss and elected to bat. Our opening bowlers produced an excellent opening spell (Anoop 2 for 3 and James 0 for 1) and we had Pendle Hill at 2 for 4 after eight overs. Our first change bowlers Brent (1 for 7 off four overs) and Jack F. (0 for 7 also off four overs) kept the pressure on the batsmen and after 16 overs Pendle Hill was 3 for 22. Taseen (1 for 6 off four), Jack M. (2 for 12 off four), Mitchell (0 for 15 off five) and Blake (2 for 4 off five) made inroads into the middle order and at drinks Pendle Hill was 7 for 58. A fighting partnership of 38 by Pendle Hill's number 4 and number 9 threatened to blow out the score before Anoop and Jack F. returned to finish off the innings for 119. Anoop returned the impressive match figures of 3 for 4 off seven overs, while Jack F. finished with 1 for 12 off five.

Our run chase did not get off to the best of starts as Joel was bowled for a duck in the second over. This brought in Jack D. who made a quick fire 14 with three fours before holing out at long on. A 69 run partnership in 12 overs between Jonathan (36) and Blake (44) for the third wicket set up the win. Quick runs by Mitchell (10) and Jack M. (4) saw us reach the 120 runs required in the 26th over. Some cavalier batting by Taseen (3), Jack F. (16) and Brent followed before we were all out for 147.

Pendle Hill batted for a second time and were tested by Jonathan (0 for 12), Jack F. (0 for 1), Jack M. (0 for 14) and Joel (1 for 12) before stumps were drawn early, as an outright result seemed unlikely.

14/3	10 for 149	Winston Hills	1 dec 249	First innings loss
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14/2	8 for 148	Seven Hills RSL	10 for 113	First innings win
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After a solid 18 run opening partnership between Chris Gunton and Jonathan Fulcher, 5 wickets were lost very quickly, the score slumping to 5 for 32. However, this was the cue for Ryan Bailey to produce a career best effort of 55 not out, an innings including 7 4s. Ryan was first supported by Jake Bailey (25) in an excellent 54 run 6th wicket partnership. Good support from Amol Marwah, James Galofaro and Udit Pillay enabled Ryan to accelerate the scoring rate and lift the team total to 148 at the end of 60 overs. Another feature of the innings was some excellent running between the wickets.

Seven Hills made a spirited run chase, reaching 2 for 66 and 4 for 96. However, some fine pace bowling from Ryan Bailey (4 for 17 off 7.1 overs), James Galofaro (3 for 15 off 9 overs) and Jake Bailey (2 for 13 off 5 overs) maintained the pressure on the batsmen and enabled attacking field placings to be maintained. This saw the team take the last 6 wickets for just 17 runs, including the last 3 wickets for 0 runs.

This 35 run victory makes it 3 wins from 3 games but there is a long way to go yet and plenty of room for improvement.

14/1	7 for 224	Kings Langley	10 for 197	First innings win
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We won the toss and decided to bat. Being patient and punishing the bad ball was very much a part of Tevin's score of 64. Well done Tevin. Matthew's 31 (consisting of 6 boundaries) coming off around 20 balls was also a highlight of our teams batting performance, and was a joy for all the spectators. Asad's 27 also made a worthy contribution. At the end of our 60 overs we had amassed a score of 7 for 224.

The second days play started well. Karanbir's exceptional opening bowling produced 3 early wickets and almost provided a hat-trick. Kings Langley however due to some sloppy fielding, wayward bowling and a few dropped chances looked as if they might be able to chase down our target. After delivering a not so great first spell, Sam S was able to come back for his second and produce a very good display of straight bowling (which also provided a near hat-trick) to clean up their tail enders. Kings Langley All Out 197.

The wicket takers were Sam S 4 for 30, Karanbir 3 for 12 and Sam B 2 for 28

This victory was a little too close for comfort. We have a lot of work to do on our fielding at training, and I know we all can do a lot better.

15/2	10 for 59, 10 for 72	Seven Hills RSL	10 for 46, 3 for 43	First innings win
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A very exciting game of cricket indeed. the first day saw us two men short with 9 players and we lost early wickets in the face of some good bowling. Rob batted with great concentration for an hour and a half for 15 runs and saved the day for us. He was joined by Pasindu who also made 19, and together they took the score to 59. After being 6 for 27 it was a great fight back and at least gave us something to defend. We took the field with 9 players and a determined mind set and soon had them reeling at 6 for 13 in a sensational spell of bowling from Shivang, Vrushank, and Tom. We had them 9-45 at stumps on the first day with Vrushank 4/6 and Tom 3/15 cutting a swath thru their line up. Rob as stand in keeper was fantastic and when fielding executed a magnificent runout. This week we got the early break through thanks to Tom who finished with 4/15 and we got the first innings points in a fascinating contest. We had to dig deep in the second innings to ensure we were not outrighted with a full day left to play. Matt batted Boycott style for 29 overs for 10 runs and was instrumental in staving off an outright as we again got rolled cheaply for 72. Michael Gounder looked great for a while but went for 16 just before drinks. In the end we had

command when back in the field and Vrushank got another 2 to take his match figures to 6/16.

A tremendous team effort guys and we showed that this team never says die, no matter what the situation.

Special mention is requested for Vrushank for his match figures of 6/16 also included 15 overs of which 7 were maidens.

15/1	10 for 102	Kings Langley	10 for 131, 4 for 70	First innings loss
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The boys bowled well on the first day to get Kings Langley all out for 131 with Reece Wilde taking 3-9 and Ajay Joshi 2-18.

Unfortunately we were then 4-28 at stumps on the first day.

The boys battled but were only able to get 102 in reply with Omal batting well to be 42 not out coming in at No. 4.

We sent Kings Langley back in and despite Tom Ortiz taking 2 wickets in his first over we finished the game with Kings Langley 4 for 70.

16/2	10 for 53, 4 for 55	Winston Hills	10 for 125, 3 dec 86	First innings loss
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16/1	10 for 179	Kings Langley	7 for 180	First innings loss
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B13	10 for 181, 1 for 73	Kings Langley	7 for 301	First innings loss
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On a small ground we were chasing leather for most of the day, with Kings Langley scoring 301 runs for the loss of six wickets. (I Scollay 3/57). Dropped catches and some ordinary fielding were responsible for an imposing target.

When we batted, things were progressing fairly well until we hit the 100 mark. 4 wickets lost for just 12 runs!! D Hugill starred with the bat scoring a well put together 70, along with Jimmy Ou who scored 23. Thankfully, sundries were quite high (46) and an impressive 10th wicket stand of 49 between C Gunton and D Hugill saw us reach a respectable 181. We were forced to follow on and B Dunn and Jimmy Ou put on 52 for the first wicket with Jimmy remaining not out at 37 at the close of play.

A much better performance but greater consistency is still needed.

B12	10 for 231	Winston Hills	10 for 106, 3 for 78	First innings win
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B11	10 for 192	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 73, 5 for 181	First innings win
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B9	10 for 133	North Parramatta	9 for 156	First innings loss
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B8	10 for 96	Wenty Leagues	10 for 177	First innings loss
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B5	9 for 157	Hills Barbarians	10 for 149	First innings win
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R. McInerney 3 for 32 off 10 overs

B. King 2 for 27 off 10 overs

M. Ritchie 2 for 34 off 5 overs

R. Deane 2 for 36 off 12 overs

D. Stapleton 1 for 1 off 1 ball

B. McLaren 43

B. Stapleton 38 no.

R. Deane 25

M. Ritchie 20

Special mention to Lenny and Thirsty who both played a major part in this run chase to sweet victory.

Also to Jez who mistakenly or not, wore a new club shirt in the second week of the match. This would not have been such a problem other than he had actually purchased it for Puss. What made matters worse was that Jez then tried to pass his own old shirt off as a new one to the unsuspecting Puss who hadn't noticed the faded maroon and gold emblem and the stains on the sleeves until it was pointed out.

JUG PENALTIES:

Dropped Catches: M. Ritchie(2)

Ducks: R. McInerney, B. King, D. Henry

Leaving a ball and being bowled: B. King

Being the cause of a run-out: H. Izmirlian

It's always good to beat the Ba Ba's, even if it was by a whisker.

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B4	10 for 162, 3 dec 92	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 89, 3 for 151	First innings win
B2	10 for 137	AKA Crusaders	7 dec 301	First innings loss
B1	10 for 209	Kings Langley	9 for 267	First innings loss
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