

## 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](http://www.baulkocricicket.com.au) To see your team's results, go to [baulkocricicket.com.au](http://baulkocricicket.com.au), select 'Team Pages' then select your team. From there you can see the ladder by selecting 'Ladder'.

The site will be updated regularly, and the club history 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](mailto: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](mailto:results@baulkocricicket.com.au) by Tuesday night after the game. Newsletters will be published during the week after a game.

### Team Performances:

### Individual Achievements

#### Round 10

Sumit Kalia	A	98 & 4/17
Jason Currey	B2	39
Chris Hush	B2	31
Pat Mamo	B2	3/32
Troy Higginbotham	B2	2/10
Richard McInerney	B7A	5/10
James Chatman	B8	5/8
Tony Senior	B8	66
Daniel Chatman	B8	54
John Mclean	B10	3/36
Adam Meakins	B10	2/18
John Weatherall	B10	2/30
Bryce Jones	B14	6/13

#### Round 9

Adam Tinley	A	58no
Steve Sarlog	B2	39
Pat Mamo	B2	3/29
Troy Higginbotham	B2	2/15
Josh Rich	B3	38
David Higginbotham	B3	35
Mitch Walters	B3	3/32
M Ritchie	B7A	52
R McInerney	B7A	2/16
Rob Tatko	B10	50
Mohit Kumar	B10	25
Grant Korny	B10	4/8
Adam Meakins	B10	3/32
Ash Jolly	B13	51
Adam Fahey	B13	46
Matt Toomey	B14	3/31
Bryce Jones	B14	33

## 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. The following teams are rostered in the next few weeks -

<b>DATE</b>	<b>MORNING</b>	<b>AFTERNOON</b>
January 24 2009	B10	12/3
January 31 2009	B11	11/1
February 7 2009	B13	15/1
February 14 2009	B3	15/3
February 21 2009	B7A	14/1A
February 28 2009	B14	14/1B
March 7 2009	B2	14/2
March 14 2009	B8	10 Blue & White

### 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.

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TEAM</b>
January 24 2009	B3
February 7 2009	B7
February 21 2009	B10
March 7 2009	B13

## The President's Roundup

Christmas has come and gone and now we are into 2009. I hope everyone had a great New Year. The fireworks were spectacular! Good to see an ex PDCA senior in Doug Bollinger making his debut for Australia in the Sydney Test.

Seniors have played two one-day games since Christmas, with mixed results. A Grade performed well, with a tie against Guildford Leagues, led by Adam Tinley's 58. Then they had a win against last year's premiers Greystanes, with captain Sumit Kalia getting a good double – 98 & 4/17! The results show most teams had a win and a loss, although B3, B7 & B14 went winless. Best performers with the bat included Ash Jolly (B13) 51, Tony Senior (B8) 66, Daniel Chatman (B8) 54, Rob Tatko (B10) 50 & Mark Ritchie (B7A) 52. Best bowlers were Richard McInerney (B7A) 5/10, James Chatman (B8) 5/8, Bryce Jones (B14) 6/13 & Grant Korny (B10) 4/8.

The AW Green Shield competition has reached the final, but unfortunately Parramatta was defeated in the semi finals. They had been unbeaten until then. Nick Bertus was the captain of the team this year, with other Baulko players Ben Abbott, Michael Bennetts & Gabriel Joseph also in the squad. The guys all performed well, with Ben Abbott making 103 in the quarter final. Riley Astill played for Fairfield Liverpool, who incidentally was also undefeated until a loss in the semi. Riley performed very well with the ball. It was good to see Sean Abbott playing for NSW in the U17 Australian Championships in Perth earlier this month. The PDCA Martin Shield team, containing a number of Baulko players, made the quarter finals, but were defeated by Sutherland at Glenn McGrath oval. Back luck guys, but thanks to Sumit Kalia for organising the team.

Lots of events will take place in February, starting with the annual Bankstown Challenge on Sunday February 8. The Junior Double Wicket will follow on Sunday February 15 at Ted Horwood Reserve and the Trivia night will be held on Saturday 28 February at the Sports Club. We are seeking prizes for the trivia night – all teams are asked to donate a prize or cash to the value of \$50. More details on all these events at the February meeting

Don't forget the 90th Anniversary Wine offer – see the website for details. Having bought all 6 selections of red and white, I can definitely vouch for them!

Peter McLoughlin,  
President

## Match Results and Reports – Round 10

<b>B14</b>	10 for 49	Kings Langley	10 for 134	First innings loss
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Kings Langley won the toss and elected to bat. Their openers put on 40 for the first wicket and they reached 2 for 91 before a terrific spell of pace bowling from Bryce Jones reduced Kings Langley to all out 134. Bryce finished with the excellent figures of 6 for 13 off 5.4 overs. Ben Selwood chipped in with 2 handy wickets with Simon Ruxton and Sachin Sachdev also picking up a wicket. Another highlight was Sachin Sachdev taking 4 smart catches in the field.

The Baulkham Hills innings was quickly in trouble with Chris Gunton and David Wilson the only top order batsmen to offer much resistance. The batting highlight came from Simon Ruxton who came in at the fall of the sixth wicket and played a bright innings to finish 18 not out when the final wicket fell for just 49, 85 runs in arrears of the Kings Langley total.

<b>B13</b>	10 for 112	Seven Hills RSL	4 for 115	First innings loss
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No report submitted.

<b>B11</b>	10 for 107	Wenty Leagues	9 for 206	First innings loss
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No report submitted.

<b>B10</b>	9 for 79	Wenty Leagues	10 for 158	First innings loss
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This round unfortunately for the B10 warriors wasn't a great game for us. It was a game that would make the victors and losers alike look back and ask themselves "what the heck just happened?". It was a game for us where every unlucky and annoying thing that could occur happened to us all in the one game.

We started the game short one player (due to captain's administrative error). However Ben Eades was filling in for us so we had eleven on the field but only 9 wickets to use batting. Our two regular opening bowlers were missing in action due to commitments and a third was nursing an injury. It was down to Clint Harding and Adam Meakins for his first opening spell for the year to start us off. With 9 runs between them for the opening spell it was job well done. The first change consisted of Jason Faulkner and Hozefa Rangwala with his first bowl of the year. Jason had a good four over spell of 0/12. Hozefa bowled better than his 1 for 24 figures suggest. He had the ball swinging 1/2 a metre however as it was his first spell for the year it proved a difficult to control. The wicket ball that claimed the opener however was one of the best balls I have seen this year which shows what he is capable of. Even though runs weren't flowing quickly the batsmen were hanging in there refusing to get out. It was time for a change.

John Mclean who was nursing a back injury put his hand up. With a slight change in his action things turned out well and the batsmen never new what hit them. From the other end I gave myself my first spell of the year. Runs came to halt and in the last two overs before drinks 3 wickets fell in quick succession.

At 4 for 68 it was anyone's game. However after the break things slowly didn't work in our favour. We did end up getting all their wickets however it was at this stage that Murphy's law started working against us. Dropped catches, a weird shaped and small field that were giving top edges runs to a very trigger happy umpire when it came to wides got Wenty Leagues to 158 runs.

The batting proved to be even more unlucky for us. Murphy continued his work against us. Even though our stroke play was a lot smoother and better than our opposition it wasn't the way to bat on this ground. The ground was deceptively slow and ground shots that would normally go for 4 were pulling up for singles. Their edges would go for six, ours went to fielders. Their big shots would go for 4 if not 2, ours pulled up shorter and we got run out. Maybe we should've had our heads in the sky and just hoped we hit it. John Mclean and Glen Eades batted really well putting up our biggest fight.

A tough day had by us all without any much luck going our way. However its not as bad as it might seem as we are still second to the team on top and I believe we are the best team in the comp to bring them back to earth. We have in my eyes the best complete bowling attack that doesn't rely on two bowlers like most other teams including the top team. I also believe that the next few games will get us back on track and back in form.

<b>B9</b>	7 for 131	Wenty Leagues	10 for 123	First innings win
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After a well earned holiday the team launched into the New Year with a New Year's resolution - to be much nicer to our opponents than we were last year. As you all know, the guys were ruthless, particularly one guy towards the end of the year.

In the New Year's spirit we gifted the first match of the year to the opponents. We hoped that this would make up for us beating them in the grand final last year. The only thing worth reporting from that match was there was nothing to report. Other than Charuka and Las contributing with the bat while Aneesh and Sacha talked a bit with the ball, the only thing to

report was that it was a nice day.

So we decided it was time bring back Stanley from Sri Lanka. An emergency SOS was sent to Colombo asking him to cut his holiday short. He said from his holiday resort that he would only come back if the coach was sacked. The lack of brains and trust immediately gave the coach the boot. No one is quite sure who the coach was though because he had never been spotted at any of the practice sessions or team bonding sessions that were never held.

This game was meant to be a walk in the park against a team we have beaten quite easily in the past. And Sacha's contribution with the ball should have ensured it was a walk in the park. Sacha balls looked like they were tied to a string. He was swinging them to the left and the right and making them do all sorts of funny things. But mostly he was just fondling them.

Whatever it was he was doing, it was working, because the guys were mesmerized and the only runs the batsmen were getting were byes and fours through the slips - that would have been wickets on any other team. When the batsman finally managed to hit the ball in front of the wicket, it went straight up in the air to Rickster. He was so excited by the prospect of adding another catch to his growing tally that he started doing some Travolta disco moves. At the end of his disco routine, he picked the ball up from the ground and passed it back to Sacha who had to then try again to get the guy out. Wisely (Sacha is not on the lack of brains trust) he decided to just bowl the batsman out.

The ball was so good that the batsman came and asked Sacha for his autograph. Truth is the batsman missed a straight ball and got bowled, which is something our batsmen are very familiar with. Sacha then managed to get the next batsman to nick a ball that went straight into the keeper's hands before ending up in the hands of first slip. In the end, second slip claimed the catch.

Sacha ended up with 4 wickets for hardly any runs. We had them 7 down for about 50 runs which got us a bit concerned because we needed more runs for Stanley to chase. That's when they sent in their secret weapons – a China man with a curry.

This was a deadly combination. The China man was determined to keep everything out while the curry had the runs. The China man even used his hands to stop the ball from hitting his stumps. When we appealed, the umpire decided to give him the benefit of the doubt. According to Rajitha who was bowling at the time, it was doubtful that the China man was aware of all the rules of the game. However, according to Charuka who was behind the stumps and quizzed the batsman on the intricacies of the game, it appears that he had a good grasp of all the other rules of the game.

Whatever the case, the China man kept the ball away from the stumps while the man on the other side had the runs flowing. The partnership ensured they got past a 100 before we finally convinced the China man to play a shot. He did and it went straight in the air to Rajitha who was so impressed with Ricky's disco moves that he did a few of his own. Like Ricky, he too ended up picking the ball off the ground and passing it back to the bowler to try again. Eventually Sameera managed to get the China man out and we finally cleaned up the tail. We had to get 123 to win.

Stanley was sent out alone to get the winning runs. He was asked to take his time. Rajitha kept shouting 'no hurry' while Ricky just kept shouting.

The first ball was a wide. The second ball got despatched to the next suburb. Three fielders were seen jumping over the neighbour's fence, dogs were heard barking and eventually they came back with a ball. The next ball was sent straight back into the same neighbour's house. The three fielders went back. This time the dogs didn't bark and the neighbour invited them in for a cup of tea. The neighbour then put on his whites and agreed to get on his roof and catch the next six.

So Stanley sent the fourth ball straight down the ground towards a different neighbour. At the end of the first over, we had 20 runs on the board! Looked like we only needed another five overs. Stanley then took strike on the other side. He hit a couple of more fours before Ricky shouted to Stanley to get out so that he could score the remaining runs. Stanley obliged and went back with 27 in nine balls.

From that point on, the bowling suddenly became unplayable. Wickets started tumbling and there wasn't a run to be bought. The neighbour on the roof went back into his house. Charuka and Rajitha made it into their twenties before finding the pavilion. Ricky was given a promotion after he got on his hands and knees.

He was a bit concerned because the neutral umpire was someone that he had given out lbw when Ricky was the neutral umpire earlier in the season. Ricky's karma had come back to pay him. So he was seen buttering the umpire all day and was at one stage even seen grabbing the ump's left butt cheek. Fortunately for Ricky the ball never hit his pad. In fact, fortunately the ball was missing everything including the keeper.

Ricky did eventually go nuts and knock the ball around the park before getting out to a China man bowled by an Indian man. Aneesh, aka Rambo, then came in with the scores tied and promised not to lose the match – which would have been impossible unless he managed to score a negative run, which upon reflection, is not beyond some of our batsmen. The field

was brought up and he was surrounded. Rambo was not going to take any prisoners and he tonked his first ball to the boundary. The fielder who felt the wind of the ball passing his left ear was seen thanking his lucky stars before pleasantries were exchanged and we called it a day.

In then end we stumbled over the finish line with only a couple of wickets to spare.

<b>B8</b>	10 for 164	Wenty Waratahs	10 for 58	First innings win
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<b>B7A</b>	10 for 51	Parramatta Crusaders	10 for 140	First innings loss
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No report submitted.

<b>B3</b>	10 for 61	Pendle Hill Colts	10 for 185	First innings loss
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No report submitted.

<b>B2</b>	8 for 144	Cumberland Community	10 for 145	First innings loss
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No report submitted.

<b>A</b>	9 for 198	Greystanes	10 for 104	First innings win
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No report submitted.

## Match Results and Reports – Round 9

**B14**                      10 for 122                      Rouse Hill Rams                      10 for 199                      First innings loss

Rouse Hill won the toss and elected to bat and a tight opening spell from Bryce Jones and Jeff Foskett restricted the Rouse Hill scoring. Rouse Hill lost its 2nd, 3rd, and 4th wickets with the score at 48. However, Tom Ortiz, having come to the crease at the fall of the 1st wicket, steadied the innings before going on to complete a well compiled 68, the backbone of the innings. Although B Hills continued to maintain pressure, especially through the bowling of Bryce Jones (1 for 19), Jeff Foskett (1 for 37) Matt Toomey (3 for 31) and Simon Ruxton (2 for 23) the unavailability of Chris Soares meant the team was a bowler short and Rouse Hill was able to pile on the runs in the latter overs before being all out in the 40th over for 199. David Wilson chipping in with 2 wickets in the last over (his only over of the innings).

Despite useful innings from Sachin Sachdev (25), Matt Toomey (20), and Bryce Jones (33), the team was not able to achieve the run rate required to achieve the victory target and was finally dismissed for 122.

**B13**                      7 for 162                      Pendle Hill Colts                      10 for 104                      First innings win

After a relaxing break, the boys were keen to get into the second round game against a young and improving Pendle Hill team. The return of our skipper from a broken bone in his hand was a bonus for us; however, other players would be absent as a result of overindulging in Mexican cuisine.

We won the toss and elected to bat. Our improvised opening pair of Ian Renton and Russell Howell didn't work out too well with Russ out for a duck. Ian, who is known for his ability to make time stand still when batting, steadied the team and managed to score his first run in the 9th over. A further early innings highlight was Greg Leeson's ability to get bowled by a full toss and blaming the umpire for the ball being above waste height. Lesson learnt Greg, dispatch the ball over the fence next time!

The team pushed on to 3-52 by drinks with Ash Jolly playing some crafty shots. A 61 run partnership between Ian and Ash was setting us up for a competitive total on a slow Ted Horwood 2. Ash, in the process of quashing some of his demons was eventually dismissed for a well played 51.

Bring on a refreshed skipper and some lolly-pop bowling. Adam Fahey, who had missed the last game before Christmas, was keen to prove that he was capable with the bat. A quick-fire 47 run partnership between Adam and Dan McLean saw our total advance quickly and out of the reach of Pendle Hill. Adam, who played some lovely shots, was unlucky to miss out on his maiden 50, but was satisfied with his new top score of 46 and the team total of 6-162.

With one player short, it appeared that Pendle Hill would struggle. Despite an impressive, yet lucky start for Pendle Hill, we managed to quickly move through their top order. As a result of solid fielding and good bowling, we had Pendle Hill at 6-48 by drinks. The wickets were distributed amongst the team fairly evenly with a terrific spell from Matt (Mall) Gall who took 2-12 off 6 overs. Matt Adams, Ian Scollay, Christian Millgate and Dan McLean all chipped in and bowled quite well.

Interestingly, the Pendle Hill tail wagged scoring 60 runs for the last 3 wickets. We eventually bowled them out for 104. Special thanks to Pat "Beep-Test" Searson for coming down and playing for us. If only we could be as keen and as fit as you.

**B11**                      5 for 41                      Pendle Hill Colts                      10 for 37                      First innings win

No report submitted.

**B10**                      6 for 139                      Merrylands Social                      10 for 122                      First innings win

The first week back in the new year proved to be fortunate for the mighty Baulkham Hills B10 Warriors. Fortress Yattendon is still proving to be an impenetrable stronghold that cannot fall for the mighty B10 Warriors. With a number of kiwis in our team we are becoming akin to the Auckland Warriors and have yet to become successful when we invade an away pitch. This however will soon be remedied.

After many attempts at winning the toss throughout the year to everyone's surprise including my own I actually won it. Although if you want to get technical I didn't win the other captain lost it as it was his call. The call was made for the Mighty B10 Warriors to strap on the pads.

Upon the walk out to the pitch it was noticed that they were a little short with only six players starting for them. A forfeit could've been requested from us but they had players on the way and they were willing to go out short and I was prepared to let them have gaps in the field. These gaps were soon found by our openers Mohit and an under 16's fill in Rob Tatko. Young Rob offered to go out and open and had no problems holding his own. The first 4 overs were going along nicely at 8.6 an over to get us to 26.

It was at this point that the cavalry started to arrive for Merrylands including their normal opening bowler who was little quicker than the current attack. When the gaps started to fill our batsmen were still hitting the ball nicely however instead of finding holes in the field they found opposition players. This slow down in runs bought us to 32 runs after 10 overs. However without a wicket falling during this time due to some solid batting from the boys we were in a good position. When he was legally able the captain then thought he could press us further into drought by introducing his quick bowler. His first ball was to Rob and it was a beauty of a short ball that had Rob needing to take cover. This ball was followed up two balls later with a wide (good work). Mohit then next over decided he would take a wander down the pitch so he could miss the ball and get stumped. Grant Korny was the man in. He proceeded to start look in good form in the last 5 over before drinks with a nice little four and what was at the time the biggest straight six at Yattenden Oval we had seen. However on last ball before drinks tragedy struck. A rather dubious decision saw Grant given caught behind that came off his pad. That made us at drinks 2/59. A good position for the second half of our innings.

Rob was joined by John Mclean in the middle after the break. While Rob was happy to get his runs at an even pace and provide what became an anchor to our innings John came out and batted with an aggression missing from previous outings. He proceeded to hit the bowling with great power by sending the ball nearly out of sight in the air and with even better accuracy by placing these when they eventually came down from orbit perfectly between fielders. This played a great role in frustrating the opposition and taking them off their game. While Grant was happy with his record six John also thought he would smash this record and hit an even straighter and longer six in the same direction. A few overs later all seemed well and even though I was in next I felt I had time for a bathroom break. Unfortunately the boys in the middle didn't see it that way and John thought he would get out. Their partnership of 43 was our best for the game. I was feeling very rusty and not so fit after xmas. In my efforts to support Rob get his 50 I managed to get myself 10 runs after a couple of overs. This particular bowler hadn't bowled a short ball all day until one shot up got my top edge grazed my cheek and went straight up nicely for the keeper. It wasn't until a few metres away from the pitch I realized I wasn't given out and there was no appeal from the fielders. But I was out. Although if I didn't get the edge I would've had a nice bruise for people to laugh at.

The very next over Rob got his 50. His innings proved to be anchor that held us together so well done mate. We then thought he might start swinging now that he got his 50. He did swing nicely for one more ball. It was a really nice looking swing. It was straight out of the text book. It looked like the ball was set to sail over the fence. He missed the ball. Rob was clean bowled. Good work mate. But seriously well batted.

There were 4 overs to go now and with two new batters anything was on. Jason Faulkner made a quick 6 runs but then was nice enough to let Adam Meakins and Terry Manning finish off the innings on a respectable 6/139. A very defendable total.

We were missing one of our regular opening bowlers in John Young who was in Melbourne for a much needed holiday. This was Clint Harding's chance at the big time. Although he doesn't intimidate batters with sheer pace he can bowl a nice clean and length that can prove difficult to get away. This was rewarded with a spell of 1/16 in 8 straight overs. Grant at the other end started with an opening spell of 1/5 from 3 overs before not liking the run up or the wind or something and asked to change ends. He can wait. I wanted to use him later anyway. This was the start we wanted with only 8 runs coming from our first 8 overs. Jason Faulkner came on after and followed them up with some nice tidy early bowling. It was when Clint got the second wicket when the trouble started.

The next man for Merrylands was a man mountain with shoulders that resembled boulders came out. Over the next 15 overs he practised the theory that 'there is more room in the air than the ground for the ball' and regularly put the ball past the fence. This included smashing the record for biggest six at Yattenden Oval not once but twice. It was time for my big guns to put him down. Time for Grant to come back with John Mclean at the other end. They not only slowed the runs but got the man mountain out.

Switching back to Jason and Adam again to continue the attack against the new batters the runs were again restricted but wickets weren't falling as much as preferred. However time was getting away from the Merrylands team. There was even a moment where emotions could have boiled over when Clint Harding took a great catch on the boundary. The monumental force of the ball forced Clint to roll with it when he caught it. The batter was given out and was almost halfway back when Merrylands were then seen claiming that Clint had rolled over the boundary line. Although the situation could have gotten out of control cool and gracious heads won the day and the batsmen came back out. With a six to his name. This provided the entire fielding team with the motivation and lift to finish this game off properly. We only needed another 6 overs to get the last 4 wickets we needed at the time.

Although we won there was still a bit of rust that got shaken off for a few moments in the field. This includes myself who couldn't glove a ball properly all afternoon which proved costly with two dropped catches. Sorry lads. We'll be back to our normal selves and become unstoppable in the field which is our main strength. Our batting which has sometimes been scratchy is now starting to gel and come together. I can't wait to see what the rest of the year holds for the Mighty B10 Warriors.

<b>B9</b>	10 for 94	Parramatta Crusaders	2 for 97	First innings loss
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<b>B8</b>	10 for 129	Parramatta Crusaders	8 for 159	First innings loss
No report submitted.				
<b>B7A</b>	10 for 109	Kings Langley	7 for 138	First innings loss
No report submitted.				
<b>B3</b>	10 for 142	Wenty Leagues	8 for 143	First innings loss
No report submitted.				
<b>B2</b>	10 for 109	Wenty Leagues	10 for 94	First innings win
No report submitted.				
<b>A</b>	9 for 175	Guildford Leagues	8 for 175	Tie on first innings
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