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# WOW!

What an amazing bunch of semi finals!! With 3 wins and a heartbreaking loss, it was a fantastic day for the club. Commiserations to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade who after a bad start made a terrific effort and came agonisingly close to winning, losing by only a wicket. Congratulations on a fantastic season to PD and the boys. A grade had a similarly close game and managed to win by a wicket with Vealy and Philo putting on 13 for the last wicket to win by a wicket, what a game! The 3rds won by 22 runs in what was also a close game the feature of the game was the bowling, with 8 batsmen bowled! The 4ths also had a close game winning by 2 wickets with Joey and young Ryan Moore getting them over the line in what was a very tense Sunday afternoon at both the BCC grounds. More information below in the match reports.

Congratulations to everyone on the weekend and hopefully we can celebrate with 3 premierships over the next couple of weekends.

What an atmosphere their was in the rooms Sunday night with a lot of back slapping and stories of the day. But lets not think that was the final, we have one game to go. We don't want to go in thinking it will happen again, we need to make it happen on the weekend. Don't be complacent, if you think Sunday had a great feel to it, imagine what it would be like if you won the grand final!

## Sponsorship

All the sponsors are on the last page have a look. If you require anything check with them first as they are supporting the club, so we should get out and support them.

## Bits & Pieces

- Thanks to all the ladies who brought down salads for the BBQ on Sunday night they were delicious.
- Thanks to TV for cooking the BBQ
- Judges have decided that the sprint between the clubs 2 fastest men, Butts and Scooby, was a draw.

Hopefully we can organise a rematch in the not too distant future.

• Thanks to the Bowlers, Kev and Marg not philo and vealy!, for running the canteen for us this weekend while we all play and support. It is very much appreciated!!

# **Coming Attractions**

## **Presentation Night**

The presentation night this year will once again be on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April. It will be held at La Fontana, 410 Main Road Lower Plenty, starting at 7:00pm. The cost will be \$40 per person which includes a 2 course meal, beer, bottled wine, soft drink, tea & coffee. Please make sure to keep this date free in your diary. RSVP Jed by 19<sup>th</sup> April with numbers.

### **Juniors Presentation**

The juniors will be having their presentation night at the clubrooms on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 7-9:00pm. BBQ Dinner. Come down lend a hand and congratulate the juniors for a fine season.

## **Fast Men Raffle**

Tickets to 'The Fast Men' picture are selling like hot cakes. Because of the increasing interest, it is now valued at \$2999 fully framed! This magnificent photograph would look great in your poolroom, study or even your bedroom! Some tickets are behind the bar, see gibbo for more tickets. Gibbo needs tickets and money in to him no later than next Thursday, that's the  $22^{nd}$ .

## Quote of the Week

We have someone new this week, at last!! Jeff Wilson gets the selectors nod with this gem.

"I'm working at the Deep Purple concert tomorrow night, there will be 5000 gibbo's there!"

### **Editors Note**

As this will be the last howzat for the year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank some people for their help this year. Damo for his web feedback, match reports and comments. Big Dave for his insight to the world and for the articles he's given me this year. The puppeteer for his match reports and beasty for this weeks 4<sup>th</sup> grade report, he's set a new record for the longest match report!! Jed for his reports for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and the under 12's. Luke and Graham for the under 16 & 14 reports. Transfield & the department of defence for the paper!! Also to the mystery writer who stirred the club last week with "The Dope at Banyule".

Cheers Dasha

# Interview with a Vampire

Name: Michael Francis Harte II Are you a vampire: Only of livestock Age:31 *Playing weight:* 66 kg Star Sign: Taurus-it's a load of crap Job: Research Chemist Brothers/sisters: 4 bro's, 2 sis' Marital status: Very (to the lovely, tolerant Karen), one son-Matthew Marital aids: Sleeping Baby Republican or Monarchist: Re Publican Hobbies outside cricket: Reading, Family Dinners, Eating, checking the HDCA website Favourite TV show: Channel 2 news, Smack the pony, Micallef, The Bill Favourite movie: Pee Wee's Big Adventure Favourite beer: Cascade Light (at the moment) Favourite meal: Roast meat with spuds, vegies and choc pudd. Next favourite beer: Crownies Favourite drink: Diet Coke (used to be banana Big M) Favourite band: Smiths, Matthew Sweet, P.J Harvey, Moby, Seconds From Falling *Least favourite beer:* Budweiser (cat's p...) Favourite song: This Charming Man (Smiths) Outside love interests: my cd collection Animal that best describes you: family dog, easy going but territorial TV character that best decribes you: Peter Brady Dream rotten egg victim: Damo-he deserves it Dream date: Karen Maree Crothers (whilst leaving the bub with the folks) Synchronised swimming? They should hold it in the sea and cover themselves in pig fat

Worst bowler to face at training: Billy, Marty Phillips, Joffa Why: Billy-it's obvious, Marty and Joffa-they always give me massive bruises on my thighs Dream player to bowl bouncers at: Used to be Scooby but he plays em alright now, no-one *Why:* I'm not fast enough Highest score for Banyule: 151, this season Best bowling haul for Banyule: 7/6, this season-I can't believe it either Ambitions for 00-01 season: PREMIERSHIP Most admired player at the club: Ando, Jedda, Gibbo Best Banyule player seen: Ando, Philo, Marty Veal (in U16's he was the side) Biggest disappointment at BCC: Semi final loss 98-99; being the captain of the only Banyule side not to make the finals in 99-00. Most memorable moment at BCC: hopefully playing in a premiership this weekend *Best birthday prezzy ever:* Surprise 30<sup>th</sup> birthday party-I had no idea Something you can't live without: Karen, cd collection Who wrote Lord of the Flies: Socrates Name of Australia's first prime minister: Eddie Barton Boy Where did you go to school: St Martin of Tours, Marcellin College Best holiday: Rosebud-summer of 87-88-mates, sun, surf, beer, girls and I was young enough to enjoy it Best bloke to go to a nightclub with? Matthew-chicks love babies Favourite pub: The Clyde on a Friday night Third favourite beer: Guiness What did you do last Sunday: Won a semi final If you were stranded on a deserted island, who would you want to be with? Morrissey-he'd be more depressed than I was. Superman-he could fly me off *Favourite pick up line:* So, what music do you like? If they say alternative-keep talking. If they say Brian Adams-GET THE HELL OUT OF THERE!! Hairstyle tips: Lose the mullet. Words of advice: Don't give up sport too early!

### **Past Players Association**

As President of the BCC Past Players Association I'd like to congratulate all teams on magnificent fighting cricket last weekend.

Courage was shown by all teams. Draw on that this week and you'll get success.

Neal Butterworth

## Interview with a Vampire No 2

Name: Craig Stephen Parry Are you a vampire: No – I faint at the sight of blood Age: 33 Playing weight: 65 kg – all muscle Star Sign: Capricorn Job: Asst Mgr Rebates & Allowances, Coles Myer Ltd. Brothers/sisters: Brothers Reggie & Werdy Marital status: married Marital aids: my penis Republican or Monarchist: Monarchist for now Hobbies outside cricket: stamp collecting, model airplanes Favourite TV show: Seinfeld, M\*A\*S\*H, Black Adder Favourite movie: Braveheart, Saving Private Ryan, Flying High Favourite beer: VB Favourite meal: Any seafood Next favourite beer: Carlton Draught Favourite drink: VB Favourite band: Kiss, Pumpkins, The Cult (hi Marty), Green Day, Stereophonics Least favourite beer: Becks - looks & tastes like yak's piss Favourite song: Cherub Rock - Pumpkins Outside love interests: trees, flowers etc. Animal that best describes you: a Panther, like my fielding TV character that best decribes you: Eddie Booth Dream rotten egg victim: Eddie Maguire Dream date: Elaine Bennis Synchronised swimming? Like a broken pencil - pointless Worst bowler to face at training: Joffa Why: Don't know – he just is Dream player to bowl bouncers at: Everyone Why: They'd be terrified if I actually got a ball to bounce over knee height Highest score for Banvule: 169\* *Best bowling haul for Banyule:* 6/24 Ambitions for 99-00 season: To see 3 premierships this weekend (or next) Most admired player at the club: Renna Best Banyule player seen: Anderson bros, Goulding, Gibbo, Philo *Biggest disappointment at BCC:* Losing the 5<sup>th</sup> grade GF by one run in 90/91. Most memorable moment at BCC: My first senior game (aged 13 at Chelsworth - J.Veal, Don Richmond, Rowdy, Kooka, Steve Noble, Wally Mikac all played – I made 8) Best birthday prezzy ever: BMX - aged 12 Something you can't live without: TV (television, not Veally) Who wrote Lord of the Flies: Wee Jock Poo-Pong McPlopp Name of Australia's first prime minister: no idea - did he barrack for Carlton? Where did you go to school: Banyule primary, Rosanna East High Best holiday: UK, Europe '99 Best bloke to go to a nightclub with? Marty Phillips – the only bloke I can out-drink. Favourite pub: OE, Newmarket Hotel - Adelaide Third favourite beer: Optus Oval Carlton Draught in a plastic cup What did you do last Sunday: watched 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> grade play If you were stranded on a deserted island, who would you want to be with? Tania Favourite pick up line: You're really ugly, I'd be doing you a favour. Hairstyle tips: bring back the mullet!

Words of advice: Never miss field when Reggie's bowling.

### RESULTS

#### D Grade

Banyule 7/215 defeated Macleod 205

The fourths were facing Macleod at home. This was not going to be an easy task as Macleod were on top of the ladder 30 points clear of us. Furthermore our side was decimated by the exclusion of Justin Poyser, Holsty and Daniel Barnes which trounced Watsonia the week before. So we went into the match with 5 kids - 3 of whom were playing the under 14 semi final in the morning and two other kids who were in the under 16's.

Macleod who had beaten us earlier a few games ago were full of confidence - including their support team. They arrived early and were eager to roll us over and get ready for the grand final. We lost the toss and Macleod eager to pile on the runs sent us to field. Their batsmen were in for a rude shock when they came out to bat, with Steve "THE MENACE" Poyser hitting the captain on the head and quickly followed up with his wicket. Following this he and Graham rolled through the next 2 fairly quickly and we really had them on the ropes at 3/49 at first drinks. Graham had taken 1/?? and Steve had figures of 2/??

The masterstroke of the game came when Craig "THE PUPPETEER" Hunniford came on and immediately took wickets, he ended the match with figures for 4/37. I guess an equally brilliant masterstroke came when Joey "THE WOG" D'Agastino came on and rolled 3 wickets in quick succession for 30 odd runs. This bowling was backed up equally well with some superb fielding and catching. Anthony O'Donnell starred in the field with 3 great catches and Graham with 2 catches. Special mention to Scotty Clapton who fielded MAGNIFICNETLY at fine leg. We had dismissed Macleod for 204 runs in the 59th over.

We had 21 overs to bat before stumps on the first day. The openers O'Donnell and G. Clapton got off to a flyer with 18 runs coming from Graham's bat in the first 3.2 overs, unfortunately he got an edge and was dismissed, we consolidated the first night to be 3 for 54 with Beasty and Steve at the crease. The next day began with us being favoured slightly, however things changed pretty quickly with Beasty out for 20 -lbw, and Aidan next in. Aidan was run-out for 9, while trying to make the crease on his 3rd run. This brought together the match winning pair of Steve Poyser and Craig Hunniford, they took the score from 86 to 167, a partnership of 81 runs that saw them last over 30 overs. You could feel the tension as we edged every run closer to the target, however Craig skied a ball and was caught on the boundary. Through all of this Steve who had been guiding North Star of 4th grade was NOW sharing the crease with "THE WOG". They batted very well with the score creeping along to 179 when Steve smashed a ball in close to silly mid off and was caught. This innings was one of the best - 35 runs from 60 odd overs, it was all class and concentration because it ground Macleod out of the game

All year "THE WOG" had been claiming, telling and announcing to the whole world at what he was going to do, now was his chance, and boy did he seize it, he batted magnificently with Ryan Moore and we passed the total in the 83rd over. Ryan smashed the last 7 runs with two 4 fours that saw Macleod lose their composure as they just wanted to get the hell off the field. Oh the joy, the jubilation and certainly the excitement from this match was electric. It now needs to be carried into the final as we have an equally tough opponent. The side can do it.

Finally - to all the kids Luke Venning, Ryan Hartnett, Scott Clapton, Aidan Young, Justin Poyser, Ryan Moore, Adetch Singh, Andrew Clapton thanks for a great year and let's cap it off with a premiership.

D Grade play East Ivanhoe at Banyule Flats North.

#### C Grade

#### Banyule 213 defeated Macleod 190

Third grade won the toss and batted. P.A had to go early for a clandestine affair in a prominent city hotel complex, so he was promoted to open with Ritchie Crockford. They put on 60 for the first wicket. Ritchie got thirty odd. P.A was finally dismissed for 70 runs, Usher 26 runs, Holsty 18 runs, and J.D Poyser made a fantastic debut with 28 runs in a 9th wicket stand of 31 greatly supported by Alex Covey who made 1 not out. We were dismissed in the 77th over for 213. We had 2 overs at them, leaving Macleod 0-3 overnight still requiring 211 runs for a win. Next day Alex Covey tore through the Macleod top order to take 5 for 19 off 18 overs. All his dismissals were bowled. Usher got the next 2 wickets during a Macleod fight back which had them requiring 40 runs with 3 wickets in hand before Daniel finished them off. He bowled both the 10th and 11th batsmen. Macleod 22 runs were shy of the target and Daniel finished with 3 wickets. Of the Macleod batsmen, all but 2 were bowled which speaks volumes for bowling stump to stump in a final. Well done to the whole team who supplied great pressure in the field and we eagerly await Rosanna this week at War Memorial Oval in Greensborough.

#### A Reserve

Banyule 217 vs Greensborough 9-218

Won the toss, we batted, soon were 7-80 with Crawfo and Damo in. Crawfo played innings of a life time and made 109. Crawfo and Damo put on club record 8th wicket partnership of 110. Crawled to all out for 217. I dont think anyone in our team though we would lose with that much. We had Greensborough on the ropes at 4-50, then again at 7-160, then at 9-200 but they crawled over the line and won. Barnesy bowled real well for 4, PD and Mosh 2 each. They deserved to win, we just didnt deserve to lose. Saddest, most disappointing game of cricket I think any of us have ever played in, not made much better by being only team not to make granny. Lets hope that the 1s, 3s, and 4s all win and make us proud.

#### A Grade

#### Banyule 9/218 vs Macleod 217

It doesn't get much closer than that! Philo lost the toss and we were in the field. Dasha dropped a catch in the first over, his 7<sup>th</sup> for the year!, and we were off to a bad start. The Macleod batsmen edged their way to tea at 3/117, and we were facing the prospect of chasing a big target. Ferral and Vealy put on the clamps, and vealy got an early wicket after tea, caught by dasha (his first for the season!), and things tightened up for the opposition. Dasha was finally brought on! (one guess who's writing this!!) and together with Ocka kept the screw tight and Macleod finished 8/217 with Dasha getting 4/26. The second day saw us off to a good start after the early loss of Ocka, Marty & GR had a good partnership, Marty making 46 and Russ 32. A lucky catch and some bad umpiring decisions saw us fall into trouble at 6/130. Then the match winning partnership of ferral and gibbo came together. Fez looking scratchy early but got going and made a great 37 before going out 20 runs short with 3 wickets in hand. 2 quick wickets and we were in trouble, still requiring 13 runs for victory. Philo hung around while Vealy dispatched a couple of boundaries and as veally had been singing all day "it's a beautiful day!" We meet Banksia at Chelsworth Park next week to rectify last seasons loss.

#### JUNIORS

#### Under 14's

We lost the toss and Rosanna batted and after 50 overs were 8/160. Marcus Kernaghan was the pick of our bowlers to finish with 4/14 from 8 overs. This was Marcus's best result for the year. We began the run chase the next day and unfortunately lost early wickets but Marcus and Gus Rigby answered the challenge to bring us back into contention. Marcus got out on 34, his highest score for the year. Gus continued to score and was finally out for 42 also his highest score to have us 7/127 with 5 overs to go. Andrew Clapton continued on where Gus left off by moving the score along and was finally out for 23 with us falling 12 runs short with 9 balls to go, this was Andrews highest score for the year as well. Even though we lost the boys displayed a lot of character to fight back and give themselves a real chance of winning and should all be proud of there performances throughout the year.

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