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Big News

Rumors are ripe around the HDCA that troubled former Australian batsmen Michael Slater will be trying to regain form with the Banyule Cricket Club. Sources close to "Slats" say that the New South Welshman with 11 test match centuries to his name will be happy to get a game with our 4ths going on present form. But a response from a member of the 4ths known only as the puppeteer said "Slats would not be welcome, as he is an individual and I would not be able to pull his strings!" Current opener Ryan "Slasher" Hartnett has been heard to say "that Slater is not getting my spot, he wouldn't be able to handle the pressure cooker that is 4th Grade cricket!" More rumbling from around the 4ths have been heard from Luke Venning "I've served my apprenticeship down there, I've been scoring for 3 bloody years, and that Slater bloke reckon's he can waltz right in! What has he ever done? He can score, while I get a guernsey!" President of the BCC Greg Anderson said "we'd be happy to have Michael at the club in whatever role available, whether it's organising the afternoon Tea's or working behind the bar. As long as he's not friends with those old dills from Rosanna!"

Howzat will keep you updated on the saga.

Good work last week, with 17 players unavailable we managed to field all 4 teams and almost pull off 4 wins. With the seconds the only losers but were desperately close to pulling it off. A Grade had a solid win with Ando and Steve Piner making the runs and Ocka taking the wickets. The thirds posted a massive 238 at Heidelberg West with Daniel Barnes making his maiden ton of 112, and skipper Brad Russell making 80 no. The 4ths had a solid win with Craig Hunniford getting 70no and Ryan Hartnett batting through the innings getting 45 not out.

The seconds are now struggling to make the final 4 still 2 games out, but if they keep winning and other games go their way they might get in. The 1sts only need to win 1 more game for the season to make the finals, although we want to finish in the top 2 so it is important to win every game. The 3rds are second, but it's a lot closer in their grade. They are only 5 points clear of 5th spot. The 4ths are 3rd and only require 2 wins to cement a finals birth, but again 3 wins are required to finish as high as possible. Make sure you get to training by 6:00 so that cockroaches new training regime will work, and you'll get a better training session and your results will no doubt improve.

Special Mentions

- See the Social calender for all the up coming events!
- Hospital wards around Australia have had a rest this week as no-one from the BCC has had a baby!
- Congratulations to Ocka & Danie on this weeks announcement that they are not expecting any children and are not getting married.

Membership

Come on, if you haven't paid by now!!!

The "BECKS BEDDING" Quote of the week!

Butts set up this weeks quote, had to redeem himself from last week! He said during our innings on Saturday to Crawfo who was walking around without a shirt on "Crawfo I think your on sterroids", Dasha quickly jumped on that with "if he is he's wasting them!" Sorry crawfo but I thought it was pretty funny!

Special mention to Peter and Philip Barnes. Mr & Mrs Barnes are down for a holiday and were at the start of the A Grade game. When the found out that A Grade was batting and so was C Grade they went to see if Daniel might make a couple of runs. They'd been gone awhile and Peter jokingly said "maybe Daniel's made a hundred." They both had a bit of a laugh, but the laughing stopped when their parents arrived back with the news that he had infact made a hundred!

Play of the Week

I think this was from Graham Clapton this week. As we all know beasty and Craig have a competition who makes the most runs each week. And the last game before christmas beasty gave craig a bit of curry (no pun intended) about being there to witness Craig's duck. On Saturday, the 4th's were batting and the 1st's were fielding and some applause could be heard from across the Sahara. Then a booming voice calls out from the 4th's to the 1st's "I hope you made some runs this week beasty!" We believe that this came from Graham. His timing was impeccable as I think I had just started my run up as he yelled that out and everyone was quite. It caused me to laugh while bowling (luckily it hit the pitch!).

Sponsorship

If your sponsor hasn't paid up yet, get into them! Good to see a few new names in here this week.

Social Calendar

Phew, February means fun this year. We have a pretty busy Feb in store for you all this year. We have the big 3, also known as the Doble Wicket Day, Karaoke Night and \$1000 draw. A list will be on the board for the double wicket shortly, make sure you get your name up there, all players welcome. Make sure you start selling your \$1000 draw tickets also.

3rd February – Double Wicket Day

9th February – Karaoke Night

17th February – HDCA Vs Diamond Valley at Banyule

24th February - \$1000 Draw Day

Golf day sometime after christmas

More details will be published around the rooms and in the Howzat closer to the dates.

Trivial

- Q. Which board game has sold over 70 million copies and celebrates its 20th birthday this year?
- Q. Who posed for a 10 page photo essay for Playboy but embargoed the use of the pictures in Australian Playboy?
- Q. Who said "I'm the president of the United States and I'm not going to eat any more broccoli?"
- Q. What unit of measurement do you multiply by 0.39 to convert to inches?
- Q. Which Australian river system passes through four Australian States?
- Q. What Godfather role did Rod Steiger campaign for, despite being 30 years too old for the part?

Juniors

U/12 Development

Banyule 7-118 Def Macleod 9-47

O Gualano 13

N Lynch 2-0

J Truefeldt 11ret

S Matheson 10ret

Banyule 2-84 Def Rosanna Green 27

O Gualano 12ret

O Gualano 2-7

J Truefeldt 7ret

H McDonald 2-0

L Delaney 7ret

N Lynch 1-4

N Botham 6ret

T Kuszlaba 1-2

A Pearson 6

W Delahunty 1-5

U/12 Competition

Banyule 8-146 Def Yarra Valley 105

L Giles 17

J Young 3-14

M Collier 17

M Abrahams 2-14

M Collier 2-7

Under 14

Banyule 163 Def Macleod 56 & 3-75

M Ryan 28

A Clapton 2-6

A Clapton 55

S Shelton 2-13

T Collier 17

Under 16

Banyule 179 Def Olympic Colts 138

A Young 39

J Poyser 32

Answers

A. Trivial Pursuit

A. George Bush Snr

A. Centimeters

A. The Darling Murray

A. Michael Corleone

Results

A Grade

Banyule 8-192 Defeated Bellfield 110

G Anderson 69

B O'Connor 4-16

S Pinner 46

D Butterworth 3-36

B O'Connor 20

C Carroll 2

M Phillips 16

A good solid performance from the team in what could have been a danger game for us. Marty and Ocka got us off to a good start. Then Steve Doc Pinner and Ando put together a great partnership that really set up the game for us. Doc, in his first game in A Grade for some time made a great 46 and Ando was solid as a rock in making his 69. Ocka and Philo got us off to a great start keeping it relatively tight with Ocka picking up early wickets. Fez

and Dasha went through the middle order and ocka came on to finish it off and was definitely the pick of the bowlers. Special mention to all on the fielding performance, especially to Butts, Beasty and Crawfo, who missed out with the bat but showed plenty of life in the field and kept involved. Also a mention to ocka for his fine catch. Big game this week against Macleod, a win would confirm a finals birth and almost clinch at least second spot for us.

B Grade

Banyule 6-170 Lost to Macleod 5-175

D Harte 32

B Wilson 30no

J Poyser 22no

Heat. Sun. The smell of sun screen in the air as the coin is tossed and we're batting in the big one-dayer at Macleod and heat and dryness and the flies and we post an impressive total of 6/170 from 40 overs with style and panache. Damo hangs around like the rock of the innings (Harte of Stone?) and is good for 30-odd, with cameos from the other batsmen, including a beautifully struck Tommy Hicks from GR that guns off the S.S. Turbo and straight into the neighbouring creek on the full (cop that!). Great late order batting from Willo and J.D. Poyser brings us a winning feeling at the change of innings...

More sunscreen (re-apply) and more heat as the Macleod guys start well & we never really get on top of them. Bowling OK, fielding maybe could be better, and all of a sudden an entertaining match is looking like a defeat. Sure enough they pass us ~5 down with an over to spare. Disappointing to lose after posting a good score, but it was a far more exciting 1-day match than anything the VB series has thrown up so far. Hopes of playing in March now fading like Michael Slater.

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C Grade

Banyule 3-238 Defeated Heidelberg West 6/176

B Russell 80no

D Barnes 112

This could possibly be the day that never ends!! Playing at West, the thirds compiled a massive 3-238. With Skull making runs again and the late inclusion D-Lo making his maiden century (and the maiden century for the Barnes family). Pretty hard to lose from that position, and they didn't. Good bowling performance, but the bowlers would probably prefered the last 4 wickets. A good work out for the first 2 day game this week.

D Grade

Macleod Gold 8/154 lost to Banyule 2/171 (29 overs)

G Clapton 3 wickets

L Taylor 2 wickets

Hartnett 45 n.o.

Hunniford 70 n.o.

M Kernaghan 2 wickets

S Clapton 1 wicket

Macleod Gold won the toss and elected to Bowl. But after a quick discussion, and the fact they only had 5 players at the ground, they changed their mind's and decided to now bat (with some reference to doing a Gilchrist on us). Unphased our bowlers destroyed their top order and Macleod were reeling at 7/52 (more like a South African effort I believe!!!). Unfortunately we were unable to put them away and they finished up with a pretty healthy target of 154 from their allotted overs. Pick of the bowlers was Papa Clapton with 3 and the much younger Kerneghan. Marcus, in his first senior over, took a wicket with the very first ball and his third ball. So his first over left him with the reasonable figures of 2 for 0 off 1. We were able to pass Macleod's total with only the loss of two wickets and eleven overs up our sleeve. Ryan Hartnett carried his bat through the whole innings and his reward was a well earned 45 not out. His concentration and willingness to not allow any of the opposition get to him shined through. A great victory has set us up for the run home and hopefully we can continue on our winning ways. Note to Beasty: We would like to know how many you made this week? None of us saw you at our ground showing off

