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# HOWZAT

Under 16 Edition

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Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October

## Madman Stalks Yallambie

Reports came through last week that a madman stalked the streets of Yallambie in the early hours of Friday morning wearing nothing but training gear and a cricket helmet. Sources say that neighbours were fearful for their lives, with many too scared to leave their houses. Residents were pleased when the madman settled down (passed out) in a garage in Woonah Cr. Although it was a frightening experience, residents are comfortable that the events of last Friday morning won't be happening again!



(What the helmeted man might look like without the grill)

On a serious note, another pretty good weekend for the bears with A grade defeating East Ivanhoe, B grade defeating Clifton Hill & D grade defeating Greensborough, with C grade going down in a low scoring game against Greensborough. As skull said on Saturday night, hopefully the lessons were learned by those in C grade on Saturday and they can bounce back for a strong win this week.

I've attached a copy of the ladders this week for your perusal. A quick summary is that A Grade are 2<sup>nd</sup> on percentage, B Grade are 4<sup>th</sup> on percentage, C Grade are 8<sup>th</sup> on percentage and D grade are 5 points clear in 1<sup>st</sup>. Wins in all grades this week could see all senior teams in the top 4.

## Special Mentions

- We can all finally rest easy, the wait is over! Congratulations to Philo & Susan on the safe arrival of Alyssa Jane Barnes. All well, and the paternity test is scheduled in for next week!
- Scooby for wearing a helmet home last Thursday night/Friday morning. (For those of you who didn't know what that opening story was all about!)
- Congratulations to Fraser and Kari on the news they are expecting their second child.

## Membership

Our membership fees have not increased for the second year in a row, and will remain amongst the most competitive in the competition. The club has done the right thing, so make sure you do the right thing by the club and pay your membership early. Last year 90% of the club had paid in good time, lets all get our money in before Christmas and make it easy for Marty!

### Membership:

Senior	\$110 incl GST
Student	\$55 incl GST
Junior	\$25 incl GST (includes cap)

### Match Fees:

Have only changed for B Grade if they get 2 umpires to a game, which is unlikely though.

A Grade	\$7 per week
B Grade	\$5 per week, \$7 if two umpires.
C Grade	\$5 per week
D Grade	\$5 per week
Juniors	\$2 per week

# Social Calender

Make sure you start planning your calendar around these dates!! We are putting a lot of effort into these functions this year to be very enjoyable for all so please keep these dates vacant.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Ando's 40<sup>th</sup>

That's this Saturday night, make sure you get down and say happy birthday to the old man, I mean stalwart!

## 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Irish night. Details Below

## 21<sup>st</sup> December – Christmas Break Up

Other exciting events are being planned at present. Stay tuned to this section for updates throughout the season.

## Sponsorship

As you are all aware Sponsorship is a major source of funding for the club. So it is very important that every player gets out there and finds themselves a sponsor for the upcoming season. We are only after \$50 from your sponsor but we would obviously like more, as this year we plan to make sponsorship more attractive for interested participating companies. They will receive free advertisement in the BCC rooms and in the Howzat, regular copies of the Howzat, and prizes if their player wins the man of the match award. We are also introducing a 100 word advertisement in the Howzat for every sponsor that pays over \$100. This can be done by them and sent to myself at [butterd@transfieldservices.com](mailto:butterd@transfieldservices.com) and I will put it in the Howzat. See Scooby or Greg Barnes for more information. The sooner the better as we would like to get your sponsor up around the rooms ASAP for maximum advertisement.

## Interview with a Vampire

*Name:* Dot Veal

*Age:* 62

*Playing weight:* 2 stone lighter than now

*Star Sign:* Sagittarius

*Job:* Slave to John

*Brothers/sisters:* 1brother

*Marital status:* Yep

*Marital aids:* You're kidding

*Republican or Monarchist:* Monarchist

*Hobbies outside cricket:* Golf grandkids

*Favourite TV show:* The Practice

*Favourite movie:* Sound of Music

*Favourite beer:* V.B.

*Favourite meal:* Any crustaceans

*Next favourite beer:* Coldy

*Favourite drink:* Brandy and coke

*Favourite band:* London Philharmonic Orchestra

*Least favourite beer:* Light Ice

*Favourite song:* We are the Champions

*Animal that best describes you:* Koala Bear

*TV character that best describes you:*

*Dream rotten egg victim:* Daniel Barnes

*Dream date:* Imran Khan

*Synchronised swimming? Do it every morning cept it's supposed to be freestyle*

*Worst bowler to watch at training:* N\A

*Why:*

*Dream player to bowl bouncers at:*

*Why:*

*Highest innings seen for Banyule:* Lord 185n.o.Under 14's

*Best bowling haul seen for Banyule:* J.D.7fa 10

*Ambitions for 02-03 season:* Finals for everyone

*Most admired player at the club:* Dasha and he didn't pay me

*Best Banyule player seen:* Peter Goulding

*Biggest disappointment at BCC:* 90\91 losing Grand Final E grade

*Most memorable moment at BCC:* Peter and Tim batting to win a grade Grand Final followed by Rod and Marty's Blitz against Rosanna

*Best birthday prezzy ever:* Just having another one does me something you can't live without: Golf clubs

*Who wrote Cat in the Hat?* Have read it 1000 times and can't remember

*Name of Australia's worst Test Captain:* Ian Johnstone

*Where did you go to school:* PLC

*Best holiday:* Hong Kong in 72

*Best bloke to go to a pub with?* John He pays

*Favourite pub:* O.E.

*Third favourite beer:* Crowny

*If you were stranded on a deserted island, who would you want to be with?* Imran Khan

*Favourite pick up line:* Too Late

*Hairstyle tips:* Make sure you have got some

*Word Associations:*

*Bears:* Winners

*Light beer:* Yuk

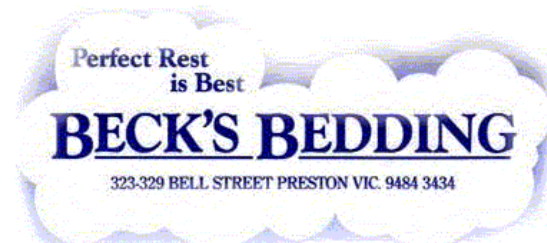
*Butts:* nice lad that

*The sanna's:* What's that

*Cocktail Party:* never been (but I'm sure she was thinking don't do your knee on the dance floor!)

*Words of advice:* Do the best you can at everything. Don't die wondering , but take the time to smell the roses

## The Beck's Bedding Quote of the Week.



Not a quote this week, but we had to give Scooby the award. In last weeks Howzat Scooby was the interviewee, he was seen sitting in the clubrooms laughing at his own answers to the interview questions!

## Demon Quicks

Letter received from the www...

"I have been playing cricket for over 30 years and I just could not let go what I witnessed on Saturday the 26th of October 2002 go by without passing comment. I have played with and against some fearsome fast bowlers of frightening pace. BUT I have never seen one of these fast bowlers put a batsman in hospital, let alone strike one in the head. The poor Greensborough batsmen facing up to that imposing athlete called "The Puppeteer Hunniford" just did not have a chance.

"Bowling with a nice high action and great rhythm Craig thundered in and pitched the ball on a perfect length only to see the ball explode off the pitch, like a striking Cobra, and strike the hapless batsman a sickening blow. Not only did the ball explode off a length but it viciously swung into the batsman giving him no chance. I suppose you could equate it to someone facing a firing squad. He had nowhere to hide. I can honestly say it would have to one of the most traumatic episodes I have ever seen in all my years of playing cricket. And to compound matters all that Craig could say later in the day was "have you ever put a batsman in hospital?" and that it was an "exclusive company". I never did find out whether Craig found anyone who answered the question in the positive. Not only has Craig become a fearsome and daunting extreme pace bowler, with only one delivery he is now talking the talk as all good fast bowlers do."

Ralph Kernaghan

## Blast from the Past

I haven't been able to put one together this week. This week we'll have another look at some stories from "Chappy Remembers" of the great Don Richmond. For you young fella's that's the guy who's here at 1:00pm every Saturday afternoon in the canteen.

Part of the "Chappy Remembers" collection (soon to be restored to the www) - by Chappy

Don Richmond's arrival at the club - I estimate it was around about 1970-71. Don's arrival was significant. Not only was I to personally play alongside Don for the next decade or so, but also, in Don, the club acquired a great bloke and a cricketer of considerable experience to provide the leadership and guidance needed in our lower grades. Don's contribution to the club didn't stop there, of course. His work as club secretary for over 20 years was exemplary - the envy of every club in the HDCA. That is because he did his job so well and because our club, unlike others, never came close to going off the rails. Stop for a few minutes and think about the behind the scenes work over the years that must have gone into making Banyule the great club that it is today. We've got to thank Don for much of this. He is rightfully a living legend of the club.

Don's family have also been heavily involved with us from the beginning - his son, Greg, played Juniors, and late wife Joan

and daughter Leanne were tireless workers for the club. But, enough of this sentimentality. Let's have a few laughs at Don's expense instead.

Firstly, there was the matter of his bat. While most of the young bucks at the club had expensive bats with flashy brand names and swords and stuff emblazoned on them, or scoops or hefty jumbos and managed to make the odd 30 or 40, Don was making 100's with a bat that you wouldn't look at twice in an op shop! It was skinny, looked to be fairly light, had no noticeable brand name, appeared to have been handed down through a few generations, and ... it was just about as black as the ace of spades! If a kid got that bat in a school game, he'd probably walk down the pitch every time it was his turn to face and swap it with the kid at the other end! But, that bat could hit the ball all right.

Don batted left-handed and always opened the innings. He'd occasionally go out early, but if they didn't get him before he got his eye in, he'd make them pay for it. Don made several centuries in his Banyule days and countless fifties. He generally only hit the ball a couple of different ways. He'd drive everything pitched outside off, and he'd murder anything outside leg with his lethal hooking - black blade flashing. Many was the time Don opened our innings and was still there as the tailenders began coming in. He taught us about patience and about waiting for the right ball to come along and about what to do with it when it finally came. Consequently, us young blokes would go out and block the first couple (as was taught to us by Rennahs in the Juniors), decide that the next one, no matter what, was going to be the right ball, and then hit it straight down some fieldsman's throat.

He'd come off to our applause, his cheeks red and dripping with sweat, his thin hair plastered to his scalp and his shirt wringing wet. He'd be absolutely bugged, but he'd know it wouldn't be long before he'd have the pads back on and be out there again 'keeping.

It was Don's keeping that we all loved. No one could appeal louder. I wonder if he still appeals from the other side of the fence when he hears a snick. He had a unique way of catching the ball. He'd stand back from the stumps to the opening bowlers. Upon hearing a snick, Don would immediately commence his appeal (prior to taking the actual catch). Not unlike "Oh, what a feeling ... Toyota!", Don would fling his arms wide and launch himself high into the air - "Owzaaat???" Meanwhile, the ball would continue on its journey through to the keeper - not to his gloves - they were two metres apart! The ball would generally canon into the region of Don's groin, immediately muffling the rest of the appeal and doubling him up quickly, as he desperately fumbled and clutched at the ball that was rolling back down between his legs to be finally caught in the top of his pads. Don would then remain absolutely still for fear that any movement would cause the ball to spill out onto the grass. It rarely did.

Look back through our first grade premierships photos. There'd be quite a few players in them who played their

first Senior games under Don. I played in two premierships sides with him and enjoyed every moment.

He used to say to me, "I'll give you the next over, but don't you dare bowl that fast rubbish!" "Why?" I would think. "That last snick hurt, didn't it?"

Perhaps his greatest mistake was the day he gave me out LBW against Greensborough, when any fool could tell the ball came off the centre of my bat!

The midfield confrontation went something like this:

Snick!!! (Wooden sound) THUD!!! (Pad sound)

"Howzat, Ump?"

"Out!"

"What??? You're #@\*%\$# joking, Don! What about the &\*%\$#@ snick? ....."

(and so on)

Understandably, Don is a Life Member of Banyule.

## Juniors

### Under 16

Banyule

Rd 2 vs Rosanna

We ventured of to Shelley Park to take on rivals Rosanna, Aditya won the toss and elected to bat. Once again he and Andrew got us of to another 50 plus run opening stand to have us 1/61 after 14 overs. With Aditya departing to his favoured pull shot for 42 we lost a succession of wickets to be 7/113 after 36 overs with Andrew "Spud" contributing 26. This bought Rayan & Elliott together for the last 9 overs and they put together a well made 37 run partnership with Rayan finishing on 23 N.O. and our final total of 8/150.

We went into the 2nd week with a plan to contain Rosanna to 120 runs but as the game progressed the boys reduced this to 100. Once again our bowling was tight and placed pressure on the Rosanna batsmen which began to produce wickets except when we dropped 3 easy catches. We finally dismissed Rosanna in the last over for 94 runs so the boys meet there target. Our most successful bowlers were Michael Ryan 2/11 (5 Overs) and a great caught & bowled wicket, Luke Vening 2/11 (8 Overs) & Andrew Clapton 2/8 (3.2 Overs). Another good win sees us with 2 wins from 2 outings. The McDonalds awards for Rd 1 went to Aidan & Rd 2 Aditya. Our next match is against Heidelberg at home.

### Under 14

Banyule Blue 126 defeated Rosanna 8/111

A great victory for these young fella's. We played the highly confident Rosanna team who had quite a representation of Mitchell Shield players. Newly appointed Skipper Scott Shelton lost the toss and Rosanna elected to bowl. We were confident of posting a decent score but 126 was a little low given our recent batting form. Micky Delaney made an enterprising 29, Skipper Scotty Shelton made a solid 19, Micky Abrahams 18 not out and emerging youngster Nikhail Joseph made an entertaining 13 runs. We were dismissed in the final over. The next Saturday we bowled poorly to begin with and Rosanna were 0-15 after 3 overs. Scott Shelton made the initial breakthrough and soon after Man of The Match Mighty Mick

Delaney got his first wicket from a well taken low down catch to keeper Zac Cole. Sanna's 2-45 11th Over. We had to slow their scoring down because they were using our pace to score their runs. We introduced Sam Place, Nikhail Joseph, Alex Mulholland and Jack Arrowsmith who all bowled to instruction by bowling on the spot. Nikhail made the vital breakthrough by dismissing their premier batsman with the score at 3-57 off 19 overs. Garrick Melton's second spell was economical and lively. They lost their 4th wicket in the 30th over but were only 74 runs. As the pressure grew we took wickets and they couldn't score freely. Mick Delaney took 4 for 17, Scott Shelton 2 for 18 and Nikhail 1 for 8 all off 8 overs. A great run out to Mick Abrahams and Zac left Rosanna at 8 for 111 after the final over. This win could set the tone for a great season.

P.S The Delaney brothers are nephews of the Flynn boys from Rosanna. It seems they save their best for Rosanna with Luke taking 5 for 1 and top scoring with 17 against them in Under 12's last week and Mick's heroics this game. It's great for the rivalry.

Banyule Maroon 8/42 lost to Greensborough 6/148

These boys are trying their hardest each week and improving every game. Many of them are new to cricket or in their first year of U/14. We will be further strengthened when some of Sat Morning Tennis players return. James Massei bowled well for 2 for 4. Chris Sullivan in his first game showed some promise. Hamish Phillips (nephew of former BCC great; Rod Campbell) took his first wicket. Tom Woodman has loads of potential and is our most consistent bowler. Our fielding is great. As we get better and bowl less wides and we get used to batting in the middle I am sure that this team will beat some of the others in the competition. Thanks to Jordan Fraumano (he lives in Ballarat and is the nephew of former BCC great; Marcus Fraumano) who filled in, making sure that we had a full side.

### Under 12

Banyule 4-214 Defeated East Ivanhoe Saints Red 9-80

L.Giles 52 ret

L.Delaney 50 ret

S.Matheson 25 ret

J.Moio 16 ret



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No Scores available. I think we lost.

# Results

## A Grade

East Ivanhoe Saints 175 defeated by Banyule 5/178

O'Connor 3-31                      Anderson 61\*  
D.Barnes 3-35                      FJ Butler 45\*  
Crawford 30 and disappointed not to bat on Big Chelsworth.

We bowled on Day 1 on the Premiership ground. They got 175. Lost their last 5 wickets for 2 runs... Again we (i.e. butterfingers at 1st slip) dropped several catches. Ocka again took 3 wickets and Laryngitis 3. Scotty put in a memorable day in the gully for spending the day moving with the speed & grace of the Franz Josef Glacier. All bowlers did a great job. Under seriously fading light we then had to bat for 5 overs. Relieved to survive the gloom, as East Ivanhoe were definitely using was one of those really dark red cherry pills. 0/9.

When we arrived at picturesque Chelsworth Park, Ivanhoe last Saturday, however, we found a large part of the pitch had been totally destroyed by fire. The pitch was unplayable. Grammar schools? What to do..?

Players & umpires relocated ~800m south west, to one of those small, cold, vacant ovals to continue the game. Yep - two ovals used for the same match. Incredible. Pretty soon we were in some strife at 3/30, but Ando & The Punter saw us to tea - 3/90-odd. Everyone gathered around to watch the Cox Plate during the tea break. Two quick wickets fell straight away - 5/110 - but they were the last wickets of the day. Ando batted on to be not out 61 when we passed them, with Franz Josef (FJ) Butler 45 not out. A good solid chase. BCC 1st XI 2-out-of-2.



## B Grade

We lost the toss and were asked to field,

Clifton Hill all out 96

G. (Sperm Whale) Barnes    3. for 22  
C (The Janitor) Carroll       3 for 2  
T. Veal                            2. for 20 odd

Moshy and Billy 1 wicket each

We made 6 184 Declared  
Willo 68 ( one run short of dinner for two)  
Moshy 39  
Scooby 26  
Billy 18 N.O

Clifton Hill Second Dig 3-103 (60 Boring overs)

We bowled really well in second innings just that they were more intent on staying in than playing anything which resembled a scoring shot. Probably the most boring day I've spent in the field, we used 10 bowlers, served up all sorts of tripe which they refused to sample. Got the points and increased our percentage which will be important later in the season.

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## C Grade

Banyule 83 lost to Greensborough 110

G Renshaw 29      D Veal 3-36

We kept Boro to 110. Some good bowling from Dave Veal and Shane Anderson plus two runouts helped our cause.

We then batted for 25 overs and lost Rayan Moore and Aditja Singh to be 2/21 overnight needing 90 runs with 8 wickets intact. It should have been an easy chase. We lost Dave Veal at 53

runs, so with us needing a further 58 runs with 7 wickets in hand it should have been even easier. Rennah was on 27 not out and we still had Skull, Jed, Reggy, Pete Adams and Justin Poyser to bat. Some tight bowling from Greensborough pair Tim Lower (Matty's evil brother) and Rod Loughrey pinned

us down. Frustration crept into our game and we blew it by being dismissed for 83. Well done to Boro, they played well and we didn't bat well (apart from the evergreen Rennah who made 29).

## D Grade

Banyule 9/254 cc def Greensborough 8cc/154 (64 overs)

Googs 68                              Hunniford 3/39  
Hunniford 63                         Big Graham 2/22  
Lil Graham 34\*                      Lil Graham 1/2 (5  
overs)  
Big Graham 20  
Ralphy 20

With poor crowd attendances in 4th grade this year, the HDCA couldn't have asked for a better clash than 1st v 2nd in round three. Top of the table Greensborough won the toss and surprised us all by electing to bowl in very windy conditions. Googs held down one end as per usual and scored at slightly better than one an over for his entire innings, chewing up 65 overs and the opposition's ears. The Puppeteer had a slap and the new kid on the Block Graham Bennet batted with patience beyond his years (very similar to a young Ryan Hartnett). Lukey Venning got amongst the runs claiming a career high score with a magnificent pull shot for 4. Confident in defending 254 the bowlers set out to defeat Greensborough. New opening bowler Marcus Kernaghan and Lukey Taylor bowled

extremely tight but had little luck only claiming one wicket. Graham picked up a couple but the opposition were looking pretty comfortable. In a cold sweat and after a glance at the scoreboard, Captain Clapton acted out of sheer desperation and asked the Puppeteer to have a bowl. After claiming a couple of wickets and sending the unluckiest batsmen alive to hospital with a vicious(well the result was vicious if not the ball) bouncer, the game had turned suddenly. With the ball being shared around it wasn't long after tea that the game was rapped up. Graham Bennet bowled a very Wiz like spell and Mr Hollywood claimed the last wicket to give Banyule a victory and top spot.



St.Patrick's Day in November-The Bears Are Going Irish!

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at the Merv Anderson Pavillion.

\$10 entry charge includes Irish Band "The Wake", Guinness, finger food and much more.

Be there!