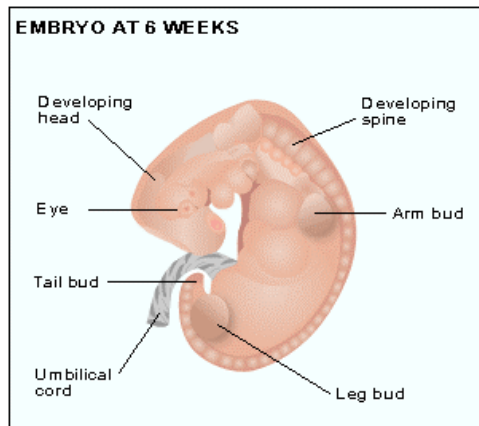


Senior Results

A Grade

Banyule 8/182 d. Bellfield 108
S.Elworthy 65 B.O'Connor 5/36
G.Anderson 53 A.Young 3/22
A Young 20

In a game where the loser would struggle to make the finals, the Bears were pumped for the clash with Bellfield. They were chock full of confidence after knocking off the top team the previous week, and when they won the toss they were happy to send us in. We went out keen to post a defendable score, and that we did. Snowy got us off to a flier against his old team, dispatching them to all parts of the ground making a fine 65. Aiden made a solid 20, then after a few wickets the ever reliable Ando kept the innings together (pity he couldn't hold his hammy together!) and saw us to 187, making 53 himself. After a few inspirational words, we went out to defend our total. Philo bowled too well as per normal with the batsmen not good enough to hit the ball (they were good enough to get hit themselves though!). Ocka bowled almost through the innings and was the pick of the bowlers with 5/36, while young Aiden Young (had to do it) bowled very well while the tail was swinging at everything and picked up 3/22. A clinical display that not even the Heidelberg players could stay around to watch. A crucial game this week against second placed Greensborough, which could seal a finals spot. A quick note to the A grade players for this week, we are playing against Greensborough for the Neal Butterworth shield so make sure you can hang a round after the game for a quick presentation. Let's make sure it's us that win it!



Aiden after another handy performance in A Grade.

B Grade

Banyule 5/197 d. East Ivanhoe Saints 173
M.Lower 70 T.Veal 4/30
J.Karas 39 G.Barnes 3/79

After losing Day 1 to the hottest day in Melbourne since 1939, on Day 2 the Magoos travelled to Chelsworth Park for a rescheduled 1-day match against East Ivanhoe Saints. Sitting on 3 wins, 4 losses beforehand, we had to win to keep our finals hopes alive. Chelsworth Park, known far & wide as "the MCG of Heidelberg" for its lush, smooth grass coverage, now more closely resembles the barren wasteland of Mad Max thanks to the Great Drought of SE Australia.

BB won the toss and chose to bat. The highlight of the day was the 100+ partnership for the 2nd wicket between Yarni

(39) and the Moshpit (70); at a pretty tidy run rate. They worked beautifully together, Yarni played the rock while Moshy played the poor Indian woman on the banks of the Ganges, flogging her washing against that rock, except he used a wider variety of strokes and certainly more cover drives. This cleared the way for BB, Brownie, JD and Willow to have a crack at the end. A flat 6 from BB had to be fielded by a guy on the far side of a neighbouring Old Ivanhoe ground. After our allotted 40 overs we were very happy to register 5/197.

Barnesy (3/79) & PD opened up the bowling and did well - taking an early one and causing a bit of trouble. Bowling to a thrashing machine is never easy, but when Willow brilliantly caught the East Ivanhoe shot-maker, things were looking up. Moshpit and TV (4/30) then bowled excellent spells - Moshy taking a wicket with his second ball of the day, following the 70 runs he'd made earlier. With five overs to go they needed ~45 to win. A potentially close finish was avoided when TV (again bowling in Bono-esque sunglasses) bowled a three-wicket maiden in about the 34th of the innings (X X • X • •) And that was that. Solid fielding and faultless catching a feature. Them All out: 173. Us: 4 wins-4 losses and Knocking On The Door.

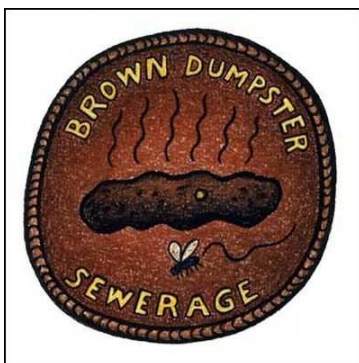


Brownie wanders the expanses of Chelsworth Park

C Grade

Heidelberg West 100 d.by Banyule 7/116
M.Harte 4/34 L. Willoughby 24
R.Moore 3/12 M.O'Ryan 20

A must win game that we played to perfection. Our fielding and bowling was sensational. Usher led the way with the ball with 4 wickets from the Sahara end of the A.J. Burkett oval. Ush has his knuckle ball honed to perfection. Bill Sier was at his best, he bowled fast and with accuracy from the Dog Shit end and was unlucky to get only the one wicket. Reggy and Rayan mopped up the middle order and tail and Wests were never really going to post a large score. We started our chase poorly and were 3 for 27 with Skull, Jed and Scotty Darling all sitting on the wrong side of the fence. Scooby got our innings going with a gritty 20 runs and young Hollywood Willoughby combined with Rayan and Reg to take us past their score. This win means that we're now 5th and we still have to win every game to have a chance of March action, but by knocking over the second side like this we have every chance of playing finals cricket.



Roy & HG's "Brown Dumpster" award goes to Bill Sier for his opening spell.



Wabbit season

D Grade

Banyule 6/222 def. Yarra Valley 6cc/173
 R.Kernaghan 117 G.Clapton 5/35 (13)
 C.Hunniford 32 A.Gannon 0/34 (4) and 16
 with S.Brandt 24 the bat

Graham won the toss and had no hesitation in electing to bat. Leader and Googs opened up in yet another attempt to find our openers. The score moved slowly to 22 before all their hard work was undone in the space of 3 balls. This brought Ralph and The Puppeteer to the crease. Having the Kernaghan household crown lifted by his son over the past few matches, Ralph was in a take no prisoners frame of mind. Not only did he reclaim his crown he did it in magnificent fashion. Picking off the ball of his choice and helping it either to the boundary or over it, whichever took his fancy. He was humorously supported by the Puppeteer who after being laughed at by Graham while he was umpiring, hit one straight at him nearly causing him another injury. A partnership of over 130 brought us back on track after a very slow start. Simon Brandt and the great man Ganno, in his final appearance, complimented out innings leaving us with a competitive score, although well short of the 280 Yarra Valley kept telling us we needed to win.

When it was our turn to bowl it wasn't long before the cries of 'He's Back' were heard throughout the Banyule Flats. After Papa Clapton claimed his first wicket the roar was so loud that the birds on the swamp fled in a flight of panic thinking that duck season had come early. He didn't stop there but kept on getting wickets and killed any chance of a Yarra Valley win by destroying their top order. He's Back and combined with Lukey Taylor spells trouble for any opposing team in the run to the finals.

Ashley Gannon provided us with the highlight of the day. After being given the rare chance to bowl, a caught and bowled opportunity arose after the batsmen skyed one up over Ashley's head. Realising he had a chance Ashley turned, hurdled the stumps ran around the umpire, called Mid On and Mid Off to stay out of the way, covered the 15 meters in 1.9 seconds and just fell short of claiming a caught and bowled chance. A magnificent effort from an old warhorse.

The Puppeteer

Answers

- A. Marshall Mathers III
- A. Gordon Sumner
- A. David Jones
- A. The Denmark Straight
- A. R. Gill (Puffa) & D Johnson
- A. P Barnes 33, G Clapton 31 & M Harte 25. W Gibson 547, M Harte 545 & M Phillips 519.

Sheffield Shield 1926/27

One of the more interesting scorecards...

Victoria v New South Wales

MCG: 24, 27, 28, 29 December 1926 (timeless match)

Result: Victoria won by an innings and 656 runs

Toss: New South Wales

Balls per over: 8

Close of play—

Day 1: New South Wales 221

Day 2: Victoria 573/1 (Ponsford 334*, Hendry 86*)

Day 3: Victoria 1,107

New South Wales 1st innings

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----|
| NE Phillips | c Blackie | b Liddicut | 52 |
| JG Morgan | c Love | b Liddicut | 13 |
| TJE Andrews | st Ellis | b Hartkopf | 42 |
| *AF Kippax | | b Liddicut | 36 |
| +AT Ratcliffe | c Ryder | b Liddicut | 2 |
| A Jackson | c Ellis | b Blackie | 4 |
| JEP Hogg | | not out | 40 |
| AA Mailey | | b Ryder | 20 |
| JN Campbell | lbw | b Blackie | 0 |
| RLA McNamee | | b Ryder | 8 |
| HV McGuirk | | b Ryder | 0 |
| Extras (b 1, lb 1, nb 2) | | | 4 |
| Total (all out, 81 overs, 304 mins) | | | 221 |

FoW: 1-25, 2-96, 3-122, 4-133, 5-152, 6-152, 7-207, 8-208, 9-217, 10-221

| Bowling | O | M | R | W |
|----------|----|---|----|---------|
| Morton | 15 | 4 | 43 | 0 (2nb) |
| Liddicut | 21 | 7 | 50 | 4 |
| Ryder | 9 | 1 | 32 | 3 |
| Blackie | 16 | 3 | 34 | 2 |
| Hendry | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Hartkopf | 17 | 1 | 57 | 1 |

Victoria 1st innings

| | | |
|--|-----------------------|------|
| *WM Woodfull | c Ratcliffe b Andrews | 133 |
| WH Ponsford | b Morgan | 352 |
| HSTL Hendry | c Morgan b Mailey | 100 |
| J Ryder | c Kippax b Andrews | 295 |
| HSB Love | st Ratcliffe b Mailey | 6 |
| SP King | st Ratcliffe b Mailey | 7 |
| AEV Hartkopf | c McGuirk b Mailey | 61 |
| AE Liddicut | b McGuirk | 36 |
| +JL Ellis | run out (Andrews) | 63 |
| FL Morton | run out | 0 |
| DD Blackie | not out | 27 |
| Extras (b 17, lb 8, nb 2) | | 27 |
| Total (all out, 190.7 overs, 633 mins) | | 1107 |

FoW: 1-375, 2-594, 3-614, 4-631, 5-657, 6-834, 7-915, 8-1,043, 9-1,046, 10-1,107.

| Bowling | O | M | R | W |
|----------|------|---|-----|---------|
| McNamee | 24 | 2 | 124 | 0 (1nb) |
| McGuirk | 26 | 1 | 130 | 1 |
| Mailey | 64 | 0 | 362 | 4 (1nb) |
| Campbell | 11 | 0 | 89 | 0 |
| Phillips | 11.7 | 0 | 64 | 0 |
| Morgan | 26 | 0 | 137 | 1 |
| Andrews | 21 | 2 | 148 | 2 |
| Kippax | 7 | 0 | 26 | 0 |

New South Wales 2nd innings

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-----|
| NE Phillips | lbw b Hartkopf | 36 |
| JG Morgan | c King b Liddicut | 26 |
| TJE Andrews | b Liddicut | 0 |
| *AF Kippax | b Hartkopf | 26 |
| +AT Ratcliffe | c Morton b Hartkopf | 44 |
| A Jackson | not out | 59 |
| JEP Hogg | c Hendry b Liddicut | 13 |
| AA Mailey | c Morton b Hartkopf | 3 |
| JN Campbell | c Ryder b Hartkopf | 8 |
| RLA McNamee | b Liddicut | 7 |
| HV McGuirk | b Hartkopf | 0 |
| Extras (b 2, lb 4, nb 2) | | 8 |
| Total (all out, 51.3 overs, 207 mins) | | 230 |

FoW: 1-67, 2-67, 3-77, 4-112, 5-164, 6-184, 7-189, 8-206, 9-229, 10-230.

| Bowling | O | M | R | W |
|----------|------|---|----|---------|
| Liddicut | 19 | 2 | 66 | 4 |
| Morton | 11 | 0 | 42 | 0 (2nb) |
| Blackie | 5 | 1 | 16 | 0 |
| Hartkopf | 16.3 | 0 | 98 | 6 |

great club that some of the guys mentioned in this poem you will play alongside on Saturday, or have sons playing or involved with the club.

(web readers – see About BCC section)

Poetry Corner

The following is a poem written by Garry Chapman, who you would remember from the “Chappy Remembers” articles. I think this was written in the mid 80’s (Ando will correct me if I’m wrong) and is worth the read. For the older players who remember these guys it’s a good chuckle, for the new players it can give you a bit of a background on some of the guys who have their photos on the wall. It’s also a testament to our