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Rain cuts short BCC Charge

What a difference a week is in cricket... 8 from 8 last round, then beautiful conditions on the first Saturday of the game, only to have rain all week thwart Banyule teams on the second Saturday from achieving desirable results. In weather that was more suited to sinking beers whilst watching local football 1st Grade were forced to walk away with a draw, and 3rd Grade had to settle with only a 1st innings victory. Unfortunately 2nd and 4th Grade lost the opportunities they had for reverse outright wins with the downpour that ended play last Saturday. M Phillips (aka Geoff Wilson) did not appreciate Viewbank pulling up stumps without consulting him, they obviously didn't realise how supremely confident we are when our back are against the wall.

Congratulations to Brad and the boys in 3rds who are the only senior team to have made it 2 from 2. It has now become some sort of precedent that the threes continuously win, but it is a great effort with the team always being different and a lot of young players coming through the ranks, so great work guys.



Goosy gets some tips on Hat Hair from the Colonel

This Weeks Games:

Seniors

- A Grade V Bellfield (Home)
- B Grade V Old Ivanhoe (Chelsworth SW)
- C Grade V Edinburgh (W T Petersen Oval)
- D Grade V Edinburgh (Home)

Juniors (All games Friday night)

- U/16 V Edinburgh (Home) – 2 Dayer
- U/14 A's V Edinburgh (W T Petersen Oval) – 2 Dayer

- U/14 B's V Rosanna (Ford Park South) – 2 Dayer
- Also U/14 B's play Greensborough this Sunday morning in a 1 Dayer.
- U/ 12 Competition V Edinburgh (Alfred Crescent) – 2 Dayer
- U/12 Development V Edinburgh (Home) – 2 Dayer

Good Luck to all teams and support would be fantastic for the juniors on Friday night.

Special Mentions

- Congratulations to Karina and Bill Sier who have announced that they are expecting their first child.
- Well done to Steve Pinner who brought something edible for afternoon tea last week, great work Doc.

Cup Eve

The Melbourne Cup is only just around the corner now; the Cup Eve Extravaganza is a fantastic night that we have run before with success.

The night will involve Cup & racing festivities. Come dressed in the spirit of the event, whether that is as a jockey, a trainer or a spectator in your suits for the gents and colourful dresses and hats for the ladies. Our Fashion on the Fields judging has always been a highlight of the evening... (Alcohol is normally a good bribe for the judges). Also:

- our resident bookmaker taking bets on all the phantom races.
- a phantom call of the Melbourne Cup
- the running of the Banyule Stakes and Banyule Cup, featuring past and present players. The betting on these races is normally fast and furious, as egos get in the way of better judgement.
- a Melbourne Cup Phantom Call sweep

A \$10.00 per person entry fee is charged, with drinks at Bar prices.

The evening will start at 7:30pm, with cocktails on arrival. Lets all make an effort to attend and bring our mates along to make sure the night is a success as a lot of hard work has gone into making the night enjoyable for all.

Word from the Prez

Juniors

Friday nights begin for the juniors this week. Please find time to come down, to watch, help the coaches and generally support the future of our club.

Shade

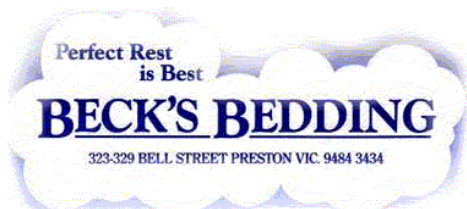
We have been lucky enough to receive a grant from Vic Health to purchase some portable shade for the High School oval. Each week the 3rds and 4ths will need to put this up and pull it down at the end of the day. It takes at least four players to do this. I am sure each and every one of you will sit underneath it on hot days, so don't always rely on others to set it up and pack it up. The chairs need to be returned the kit also. Don't leave it to the captain, he has after match duties to deal with, such as the umpires the opposition captain and reports to be filled out. I am asking that we all share the load.

Ando

The Beck's Bedding Quote of the Week.

"...thhhhhhhud upppp" - Luke Taylor proving that tongue piercings are no obstacle to conversation; Day 2, 3rd Grade.

"if Ravi gives one of us out LBW next week we're clearing the sheds baseball style" – Philo after yet another Yarra Valley batsmen was allowed to kick a full toss away in front of middle stump.



Man and Sponsor of the Match

An exceptional all round performance has seen Michael "Usha" Harte earn the Man of the Match award for round 2. Usha took 6/50, was involved in a run out and also made 20 runs. A great individual performance, something that we came to expect from Usha in 3rd Grade a few years ago, so great to see him now control games in 2nd Grade. Also congratulations to Ian Crawford on receiving the Ron Butler award for his performance with the bat and ball in 3rd Grade last game.

The Sponsor of the Match this week went to one of the club sponsors, Brolec Electrical Contractors. I'm sure the Crownies will go down well Rick.

Membership

Another reminder guys about memberships for this season. If you haven't paid, go and see our Honourable Treasurer, the Member for Whittlesea, M.Phillips.

Membership:

Senior	\$110 incl GST
Student	\$60 incl GST
Junior	\$55 incl GST (includes cap and match fees)

Social Calender

As we all know by now we have the Cup Eve function this Monday, the next function after that is Danie and Brent's Engagement Party. All players and partners are invited to join them in celebrating the evening. More details will come in the next Howzat but there is an invitation up on the notice board. Don't forget as Danie and Brent are putting on the evening that it is just for players and their partners.

- 3rd November** – Cup Eve Function
- 29th November** – Danie & Brent's Engagement Party
- 6th December** – Ladies Day
- 20th December** – Christmas Break Up
- 31st January** – Cocktail Party
- 8th February** – Double Wicket Day
- 29th February** - \$1000 Draw

Stay tuned to this section for updates throughout the season.

Player Sponsorship

Player Sponsorship plays an integral part in raising the necessary revenue to run our club successfully. It is our intention as a club to have a Player Sponsor for every senior player.

To become a Player Sponsor, a business or corporation can either donate as little as \$50 or alternatively \$100.

For this our Player Sponsors company name and contact details are displayed under an A4 photo of the player they are sponsoring. They will also have their details displayed within the Sponsors section of our fortnightly Howzat publication that is distributed to all players, sponsors and a large number of past players.

Those sponsors who contribute \$100 will also have a plaque with their company details displayed in the clubrooms, as well as a direct link to their web site through the sponsor's area of the Banyule Cricket Club web site. Additional to this is the opportunity to run an advert of up to 100 words in an edition Howzat publication.

We urge all players to support the club in securing a player sponsor, and they should see Greg Barnes for any assistance that is required.

Interview with a Vampire

Name: Feroze Chowdary (Beasty)
Age: 33
Playing weight: Too Much (98Kg)
Star Sign: Taurus
Job: Operations Manager
Brothers/sisters: 2 Sisters (Hands Off – One is married and the other is not interested)
Marital status: Definitely – YES.
Marital aids: Do not use any, however if I had the opportunity it would have to be a RED HOT POKER.
Hobbies outside cricket: Giving it to Collingwood supporters especially next year! 2 IN A ROW.
Favourite TV show: West Wing
Favourite movie: Ten Commandments (I do not live by any of them!)
Favourite beer: Being a prolific drinker – Elephant Beer (That's the Indian in me!)
Favourite meal: My last meal!
Next favourite beer: Carlton Draught
Favourite drink: Banana Smoothie (with Kahlua)
Favourite band: A nice HINDI band out of Bombay (Chappati Five)
Least favourite beer: Definitely that Irish Crap – Guinness.
Favourite song: Bring your dodgy vindaloo home tonight. (Chappati Five)
Outside love interests: Mammon.
Animal that best describes you: I would like to think a Dolphin – sleek and majestic, but more like a hippo, slow and solid.
TV character that best describes you: Maxwell Smart
Dream rotten egg victim: Hugh Hefner – He is living my dream!
Dream date: Jana Wendt.
Worst bowler to face at training: Rohan Parry at his prime.
Why: Could not pick him for what he was going to bowl.
Dream player to bowl bouncers at: N/A.
Why: : I wouldn't know I don't get a bowl. I hope Ocka is reading this. If I did it would be Philo & Scooby.
Highest score for Banyule: 161
Best bowling haul for Banyule: Refer to above answer about bowling at Training.
Ambitions for 03-04 season: Bowl in a game! C'mon Marty – give me a go! Tell Scooby to give it a rest.
Most admired player at the club: Greg Anderson.
Best Banyule player seen: Peter Goulding, The Andersons (All of them), Marty Veal, Phil Barnes, M Phillips, R McKinlay, take your pick....
Biggest disappointment at BCC: Losing the 4th Grade GF a couple of years ago.
Most memorable moment at BCC: 1st Grade premierships (I appreciate them now)!!
Most embarrassing moment on a cricket field: 3 years b/w catches (had plenty of chances just did not take them).
Best birthday prezzy ever: Radio system in Datsun 240K, it was worth more than the car.
Something you can't live without: My two children and Chappati Five.
Where did you go to school? Banyule High School (when it was still here)

Who do you prefer, Madonna, Justin Timberlake or Brittany Spears? Neither of them. I prefer Tsai Lun – he invented paper in China 3000 years ago.

Best holiday: A week in the Maldives.

Best bloke to go to a pub with? Craig Hunniford – because I can outdrink him.

Favourite nightspot: Canada Bar on AFL Grand Final Day / Night.

Third favourite beer: Grölsch

If you were stranded on a deserted island, who would you want to be with? The host of survivor – no tribal councils.

Best pick up line: I like my eggs poached.

Hairstyle tips: Cut it short – therefore no need.

Word Associations:

Sledging: Greg Russell (Jnr)

Warney: Scooby (I wish he could bowl like Warney)!

Chokers: Collingwood Football Club

Scooby: Warney (thinks he can bowl spin)!

Words of advice: "For all his admirable qualities man still bears the indelible footprint of his lowly origin" (Charles Darwin). So you see we are all apes when it comes down to it, so don't be so serious – enjoy life and have a good time.

Senior Results

A Grade

Banyule 3/132

J Wilson 32

A Stuart 29

S Pinner 27

Drew With

Viewbank 249

P Barnes 4/28

February weather arrived during October with a stinking hot day and hard ground greeting us first week. Naturally we lost the toss and were invited to bowl. Philo (P. Barnes) nabbed an early wicket (an understatement really as it was first ball of the match) and then another quick one and the good guys looked on top of our renamed Yarra Valley CC combatants. However we allowed a lengthy partnership to ensue only to be broken by a terrific runout by D-Lo (D. Barnes). A couple more wickets from Veally (T. Veal) and Chicken Man (A. Stuart) and we were back on top with Viewbank 5/120. After another partnership was broken we were still on top with the score 7/160. It was here though the unseasonal early heatwave took its toll as we all struggled like a Steve Bracks promise and Viewbank belted late runs. They confidently batted their overs finally all out in the 80th for 249. A tough but not insurmountable task if we just do the same and bat our overs. We may as well as flown to the moon such was the change in weather from day 1. Grey clouds and a forecast of incessant rain were our bedfellows as we begun our chase. Put on a happy face did our top 3, all playing exquisitely well before the heavens opened to ruin our day at teabreak. We were well placed at 3/130 at this stage more than half the runs down with good wickets in hand. Oh well, that's cricket. Chicken Man, (this scribes early favourite for the Kevin Brady Medal) a good follow up from last game made 29, Peter Costello (J. Wilson) a fine 32 and The Doc (S. Pinner) in his first match since the flag of 2001/2002 a well crafted 27. Note to umpires; learn the LBW rule as you are ruining the game.