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# HOWZAT

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## 12 From 12, But Work Still To Be Done

Welcome back to everyone, hoping you all had a great Christmas break and a fantastic New Year's and are refreshed and ready for to prepare for finals cricket.

What a finish to 2003 we enjoyed across all ranks. In the seniors 12 wins from our last 12 games; although all historical details are not available at present, this must be some kind of record for the club. These wins now see all teams in good positions for a finals tilt, but now is the important time when all teams need to keep performing as there are only 7 more Saturdays of cricket left before the finals. One bad day or game could see a team slip out of finals contention, as all four ladders are extremely close, especially in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade.



*Bookies "can't remember 12 from 12 ever happening before"*

## Special Mentions

- A special mention on behalf of the club to Kev and Margaret Bowler for once again putting on a great Christmas spread at the Christmas Party. Also to Brad for helping his folks with the cooking, a big thanks.
- A big thank you from all the children and parents to Santa Claus for his attendance and fabulous gifts at the Christmas Party.
- Congratulations to Jeff Wilson on a sort-of hat-trick – it was 3 wickets in 3 balls, but it unfortunately spanned two games. All 3 wickets were bowled – a pretty good effort.

## Double Wicket

On the 25<sup>th</sup> of January, not too far away at all we have one of the biggest days on the calendar, double wicket day. Always a great day when a group of seedy players brave the Sunday morning headaches in an attempt to hit each other out of the park for bragging rights. There are always great moments of happiness, hilarity, and stupidity on a day when everyone has the chance to upstage a fellow team-mate. Once again the umpire will have a headset on so we will all get an insight into his decisions, whether. It is also a great family day with lunch put on between rounds to give everyone a chance to enjoy a pleasant Sunday afternoon. Everyone is invited to play, no cricket talent needed, there's usually not much displayed during the games anyway, invite your friends for a great cricketing event. This year I have heard whispers that there could be outsiders from other clubs making an attempt to win our great competition. The double wicket shield is named in honour of Merv Anderson, so make sure we are all there to make this a great day and give yourself the chance to add your name to the shield.

## Man and Sponsor of the Match

A congratulation to last round's Man of the Match David Veal. Leader made a fine hundred on the first day of the game to set the fourths up for an easy win against another finals contender in Greensborough. The Ron Butler award last round went to Brad Bowler for coming out of retirement and helping out as a sub fielder in the thirds. The Sponsor of the round was L H & T O Green Pty Ltd, aka Wayne Gibson. With Ando up there over the Christmas break I'm sure the two of them enjoyed the Crownies.

## Membership

With only 4 games left this should not have to be mentioned, but unfortunately not everyone has done the right thing. If you haven't paid see Marty ASAP, with selection getting tight it the cockroach has already mentioned that membership will play a part in selection.

# Social Calender

As previously mentioned coming up on the 25<sup>th</sup> of this Month we have Double wicket day, but also the following week we have the return of the hugely popular Cocktail Party back at the club. Make sure we all get along, invite all our mates and put on our dancing shoes and all have a great night.

**25<sup>th</sup> January – Double Wicket Day**

**31<sup>st</sup> January – Cocktail Party**

**29<sup>th</sup> February - \$1000 Draw**

## Player Sponsorship

Player Sponsorship is critical to the running of our club and keeping our membership subscriptions so low. At this stage everyone should have made an effort to find a sponsor and so far only 15 players have personal sponsors.

Please make a big effort to find a \$50 or \$100 sponsor. Speak to Greg Barnes for assistance and possible ways to find one, and also for more information.

## Emails To The Editor

Received a couple of things, one from the web site and another a tale of a great adventure by our resident journeyman Big Tom (Dave Wilson).

Pass on my congratulations to Ando for another 'ton'. Best Wishes to all at the Club for a Happy and Safe Christmas. Puffa (Roger Gill)

Dave sent two versions of his trip to WA through on the email, both great reads, for spacing in the Howzat I thought I'd publish the short version.

Had a fun walk.

Cath & I are getting married.

We've found a rental house in Brunswick

Dave

## Interview with a Vampire

*Name:* John Veal

*Age:* 68 (retired at 60)

*Playing weight:* 100KG

*Star Sign:* Cancer

*Job:* Pharmacist Retired

*Brothers/sisters:* Peter, Joanne, Rosemary

*Marital status:* I HOPE I SIGNED THAT FORM:

*Marital aids:* Electric Blanket

*Hobbies outside cricket:* Gardening Golf, Grandchildren and Singing NOT ELVIS

*Favourite TV show:* Frasier

*Favourite movie:* South Pacific, Sound of Music, Muriel's Wedding

*Favourite beer:* Coopers Sparkling Ale (Beauty)

*Favourite meal:* What ever Dorothy Cooks

*Next favourite beer:* Molson (CANADA)

*Favourite drink:* Glenfiddich

*Favourite band:* Graeme Bell Look that up

*Least favourite beer:* Light Ice very pissy

*Favourite song:* Show Me The Way To Go Home

*Outside love interests:* Dog and Garden

*Animal that best describes you:* Cuddly Bear

*TV character that best describes you:* Charlie Brown

*Dream rotten egg victim:* Daniel Barnes

*Dream date:* Goldie Hawn

*Worst bowler to face at training:* Tim Veal

*Why:* Haven't any legside shots

Can't Bowl Bouncers otherwise LOOK OUT

*Highest score for Banyule:* 49 going for 100 when Chelsworth was flooded

*Best bowling haul for Banyule:* 7/10

*Ambitions for 03-04 season:* To Sell all BEER stock

*Most admired player at the club:* Don Richmond

*Best Banyule player seen:* Peter Goulding, and my 4 SONS

*Biggest disappointment at BCC:* Losing Grand Final by 1 Run and being NOT OUT BATSMAN

*Most memorable moment at BCC:* Hat Trick at Bundoora. Dorothy missed busy picking up 12<sup>th</sup> man

*Most embarrassing moment on a cricket field:* Getting Smashed in the face while Bowling

*Best birthday prezzy ever:* Christopher, David, Timothy, Martin

*Something you can't live without:* My Dog, Camera and 4 IRON for Golf

*Where did you go to school?* Northcote High, Vic Pharmacy College

*Who do you prefer, Madonna, Justin Timberlake or Brittany Spears?* Which one is a Girl?

*Best holiday:* Honeymoon (SURFERS)

*Best bloke to go to a pub with?* Larry

*Favourite nightspot:* OE

*Third favourite beer:* Any Grand Ridge (Gippsland)

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

*Best pick up line* "owyougoinmate orrite"

*Hair Style word of advice :* Get it bloody cut

*Word associations*

*Sledging:* SNOW GAMES

*Warney:* RIPPER

*Chokers:* DON'T WEAR THEM

*Scooby:* QUIET ONE

*Words of advice:*

Follow my Family Motto: DO IT AND BE QUIET

## Senior Results

**A Grade**

**Banyule 8/402**

**Def**

**West Ivanhoe 172**

**A Stuart 75**

**A Stuart 2/15**

**C Carroll 63**

**R Felthouse 61**

**M Lower 54 Not Out**

**M Veal 49**

On a fairly warm first Saturday we ventured down Oriel Rd to the ubiquitous Seddon Reserve. On first impressions just an average looking oval but equipped with a magnificent bar that would not be out of place in many a hotel or RSL.

After losing the toss we were asked to bat first apparently due to some shenanigan or other with the opposition player availability. We couldn't have cared less and went about our task with breathtaking audacity. Chooka (R. Felthouse) set to the opening bowlers with gusto amassing 61 in the blink of an eye. Peter Costello (J. Wilson), Colonel (A. Young) and Occa (B. O'Connor) all got starts and kept the score ticking along. Occa's innings was uncustomary for its lack of pace as he willingly played the support role to big hitting at the other end. He personally was going so slowly that his father, Brian O'Connor, one of the umpires even inquired as what he was doing. Chicken Man (A. Stuart) batting at five after opening most of the year relished the conditions knocking up a speedy 75 which ensured we were travelling at near six an over. We welcomed the return of Marty Veal after a long absence (I think he hasn't played A grade since 1991) batting at six. Like an old glove he showed all his usual characteristics knocking the ball into gaps and running hard between wickets for a well-compiled 49. Not bad for a bloke that was also feeling decidedly unwell on the day. Ando (G. Anderson) contributed a handy 36 batting at number seven. Late in the day saw Fez (C. Carroll) and Moshie (M. Lower) partnered for what we thought might be some handy late runs. In a record 8<sup>th</sup> wicket partnership for A grade of 96 they both pummelled the bowling each reaching 50 with Fez smashing 63 and Moshie an equally exhilarating 54no. Our total at the end of the day was 8/402!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I remember A grade making 396 back in 1991 but will need to be advised if we have ever made higher than 402.

With the game virtually a non-event by day 2 we all bowled well in wet and difficult conditions restricting West Ivanhoe to 172 off 60 overs. Philo (P. Barnes), Occa, D Lo (D. Barnes), Fez and Peter Costello all nabbed a wicket each whilst Chicken Man picked up 2. His Kevin Brady Medal chances again done no damage. Highlights of day 2 were the run outs effected by Marty Veal and Peter Costello and one of West Ivanhoe's batsman announcing at the end of one over "See you later fella's, I've got to go to work, have a Merry Christmas" and promptly walking off the ground. He was their best bat too being on 53 at the time. We also awarded Peter Costello a moral hatrick as he had collected wickets with his last 2 balls of the previous game and then clean bowled a batsman with his first ball of this game. We think he may be from the sub continent in a past life as he does some pretty interesting things with the old ball.

At Christmas we sit well clear in second place with a huge percentage. We still want top place though and need an outright victory and to also beat Greensborough to achieve this.



*The Poultry Hour with Chickenman (75) and Chooka (61)*

## B Grade

**Banyule 261**

**W Kazi 88**

**J Karis 36**

**J Andrew 35**

**T Veal 34**

**Def West Ivanhoe 200**

**B Sier 3/51**

**T Veal 2/34**

**L Taylor 2/38**

Well once again Marty lost the TOSS and we were fortunate enough for the opposing captain to only have 9 players available - so he put us into BAT. Once again the dynamic DUO of the RED BULL (Ash Gannon) and MOOKS (John Karis) opened, however an errant shot by the RED BULL cost us an early wicket and in walked the pugnacious PAKISTANI (Waheed Kazi). He and Mooksy put on a healthy stand before Yarni was bowled on 30 odd (CONSISTENCY is the key to his batting) and our new comer making his debut - Johnny Andrews strode to the wicket and right from the word GO he was despatching balls with a great partnership b/w JA and Waheed taking us to over a 100 at Tea.

After Tea - Waheed on a magnificent 88 hit a ball to cover to be out bringing Marty (NOT GRUMPY - THIS WEEK) to the crease. He and John Andrews put on a couple more runs before John holed out, it was a good knock in the 30's (GOOD DEBUT) to bring Beast out. Two very lucky catches (Marty and Beast) saw Tim Veal and Lukey Taylor at the crease putting on a valuable partnership with Tim spooning up a ball in close. The remaining batsmen (Usher (Michael Harte), Billy Sier, and Graeme Bennett) supported Lukey Taylor to bring the score to 262. The final wicket Luke was adjudged LBW - he thought it was a dubious decision - however from the Boundary it looked adjacent to the stumps, pretty plum if you ask me.

The following week saw the ground wet and slow - with rain beginning to fall steadily into the first hour and did not cease until after tea. The bowlers toiled hard and bowled an excellent line with John Andrews (Making another DEBUT) claiming his first wicket and the first wicket of the match. Aably supported by Tim - the two of them tied the batsmen down, then Billy Burro came on to claim an LBW and Timmy getting a bowled wicket. Usher chimed in for a couple of wickets with Lukey Taylor again doing the job with the ball claiming a couple more wickets. As usual the TWO's got the obligatory run out with Billy fielding a ball and taking clear instructions to throw it to the KEEPEEEEEER found the batsmen stranded at the keepers ends with the ball at the bowler's end "Well Listened Bill". Marty was getting desperate towards the end to wrap up the final wicket - so who did he turn to "MOOKSY" who with his chinamen cleaned up the tail as asked.

This was a great win and puts the magoos in a good position after XMAS. The one day match will be a good test for all and with the XMAS break over all players should be rested and READY. Finally a special mention to the RED BULL - "GANNO", his weary and tired body may be past its use by date - but you are not a MUTANT.



*Waheed dons a disguise to avoid the media throug*

#### C Grade

**Banyule 235**

**J Poyser 60**

**A Young 42**

**B Russell 34**

**Def Greensborough 139**

**P Davis 3/14**

**M Kernaghan 2/23**

**A Young 2/46**

This was a crucial game leading up to Christmas with Banyule 3rd playing Greensborough 1st, who had beaten Edinburgh outright, and we has lost to Edinburgh outright.

After losing yet another toss Greensborough sent us in on what was a reasonable ground, although the grass was quite long around the fence, and with the long range forecast looking like it was going to be a stinker on the 2nd week. We got off to a bad start losing Matty Holmes (2) early and were 1/3 after 3 overs, Marcus joined Brad, and together they started putting on quick runs and taking the score to 54 off 18 overs, they didn't look like getting out until Marcus ran himself out on 21. We then lost 2 quick wickets with Brad being caught behind for 34 (5 4's) and Scooby caught for 1 leaving us 4/65 off 22 overs, and at tea we were 4/123 off 40 overs with J.D. and Crawfo together. Soon after tea we suffered another collapse losing J.D. (60 7 fours), Crawfo (10), Hollywood (Lucas) (3), and Brownie (15) leaving us 8/163 off 56 overs and not looking too good, however we still had P.D. Andrew Young, and Big Dave to bat. P.D. and Andrew putting on 50 before Paul (20) was out caught leaving us 9/213 off 72 overs, Big Dave joined Andrew and took the score to 235 off 75 overs with some big hitting by Andrew (42 4 4's and 1 6) and Dave 6 no.

Greensborough had 4 overs to face from P.D. and Andrew and at the end of the day were 0/1 with both bowlers bowling 2 maidens each and the run being a leg bye.

The 2nd Saturday was not the conditions Greensborough had been hoping for quite cool and with rain forecast, and the ground slow, they started off very cautiously and after 13 overs for the day (17 for the match) were 1/16 with P.D. getting the 1st wicket caught behind by Brownie, we soon had them 2/22 when Andrew took his 1st wicket for the club caught by Big Dave, they then suffered a mini collapse with P.D. getting the next 2 wickets both bowled and we had them 4/38 off 25 overs. Marcus came into the attack replacing Andrew and kept the pressure on and in his 5th over took 2 wickets leaving them reeling at 7/70 and at tea off 38 overs were 7/72 requiring 163 runs with 3 wickets and 46 overs remaining. They gave us a bit of a hurry up when their no. 9 & 10 batsmen started swinging the bat, but it was to all avail with us getting them all-out for 139 off 53 overs. It was a great team performance considering the conditions before tea

with rain falling sometimes quite heavily, and at one stage came off, fortunately for us the seam split on the ball and we were able to replace it with a ball that was not waterlogged, and with some excellent bowling by all bowlers P.D. 15 overs 9 maidens, Andrew 20 overs 8 maidens, Marcus 7 overs, Big Dave 5 overs 1/15, Crawfo, 5.1 overs 1/25 and Scooby 1 over 1/8 and being backed up with some great fielding particularly by Lucas and 7 catches taken and maybe 2 missed.

This win has taken us to 2nd behind Edinburgh, with 4 games remaining. Although we play only 1 side in the four after the break we must keep the pressure on in each match and make sure we are there at the end of the season as one loss could see us miss the finals.



*Biguns commences his bowling approach*

#### D Grade

**Banyule 8/390**

**D Veal 103**

**C Hunniford 68**

**S Darling 67**

**R Kernaghan 45**

**Def Greensborough 221**

**G Place 2/14**

**S Anderson 2/21**

**G Clapton 2/59**

The coin was tossed and we batted on a typical weather-wise day in Melbourne.

Our openers got us off to a solid start but were both dismissed LBW style by our own umpire in the same over. After much debate about both the decisions we settled down to accumulate some runs. Jedda caressed the ball where he pleased, Ralphy was just starting to fire up when he hit one down a fielders throat. The Puppeteer was hitting cars on Grimshaw St and in the Car Park while Scotty Darling was putting them in the tops of the trees. All the while the carnage was happening Leader played a patient knock and earned himself a well made 100 (chanceless I think)

With the bowling the pace of Scotty with the assistance of the wind was frightening and he took great delight in seeing the keeper and slips half way to the fence. Googs kept well for the third match in a row taking a couple of good chances and not getting hit for the first time. Ralph's replacement fielder, Spud, took a catch in the first over which he was on the ground and the rest of his team mates gave Ralph a spray as he was leaving in his car. Shano bowled with a bit of a spark and is heading back to his form of old. Jedda kept us entertained, as he does with his bowling, with a couple and Captain Clapton bowled tirelessly as this ageing warrior does. The man of the moment was Kartik (Charlie to the rest of the club) at the close of the day. He grabbed his first ever catch with a low to the ground chance in the gully and also claimed his first wicket. A big slash outside off by the batsmen saw the ball catch the edge and it looked like flying past the Puppeteer in slip, but a leap sideways and into the air saw it caught safely. Charlie went off high fiveing everybody including the

opposition, umpires and spectators. A good win and saw us go into the break on top.

For BCC  
Groucho



*Shano gets pumped up*

## Junior Results

### Under 16's

<b>Banyule 5/230</b>	<b>Def</b>	<b>Greensborough 136</b>
<b>A Clapton 51 Retired</b>		<b>M Ryan 2/9</b>
<b>M Ryan 51 Retired</b>		
<b>A Young 50 Retired</b>		

With only 2 wins from 5 matches this was a must win against Greensborough going into the Xmas break. We won the toss and batted with Michael Ryan opening with Sam Place, Sam was looking okay but unfortunately got under one and hit it straight to cover to be dismissed for 2. Graham Bennett was moved into the #3 position to give him more opportunity to make some runs but was given out LBW for 8, this brought Andrew "Spud" Clapton to the crease and with Michael they moved the score along for Michael to retire on 51 which is his first 50, well done Micky. Aidan "Colonel" Young joined Spud and they began to dismantle the Greensborough attack with good running between wickets as well as some well timed shots to the boundary. Colonel was first to retire on 50 and was soon followed by Spud retiring on 51.

Loosing only our 3rd wicket in the 34th over and Greensborough's slow over rate did not leave us with many overs to have a real dip but the boys threw their bats at everything possible to finish on 230 from 41 overs. Glynn "Framework" Frame transformed his innings from our last match to make a swashbuckling 19 not out to the delight of his team-mates with Garrick Melton contributing 13.

We arrived at War Memorial on day 2 full of confidence that we could restrict Greensborough and collect an early Xmas present. Garrick Melton and Michael Delaney shared the new ball and bowled well in bursts but need to work on bowling too many extras. Scott Shelton was back to his normal tight bowling which we have missed in our last two matches. Greensborough never were in the hunt so this gave us the chance to throw the ball around and try a few things with Michael Ryan picking up 2 wickets, Sam Place 1, Alex Mullholland 1, Colonel 1, Sott Moran 1 and finally Evan Mullholland picking up the last wicket from his first ball to have Greensborough all out for 136 in the last over.

We bowled 21 No Balls (13) & Wides (8) which is an area we need to improve on if we are to be serious finals contenders

In the end this was a good result for the boys and keeps us in with a chance to play finals cricket.

A big thank you to Lewis Melton who helped us out when we were going to be short of players and even though his bowling

figures do not reflect his performance he showed that he has the basis to be a very good leggie. Thanks Lewis.

### Under 14 A's

<b>Banyule 137</b>	<b>Def</b>	<b>Heidelberg Gold 52</b>
		<b>C McDonald 2/0</b>

The team once again failed to bat out the 45 overs. We were dismissed for 137 in 39 overs. We had 7 players getting scores in the teens but no-one went on to make a big one. With our prospects of making the four hinging on this result, we bowled beautifully and fielded really well. We managed to dismiss Heidelberg Gold for 52 and gave them some more batting practice to have them 2 for 58 in their second dig. Ollie Gualano took 2 for 6, Cam McDonald 2 for 0 and Jack Arrowsmith 2 for 2. A great win, which propels us into 4th position. If we can learn to bat out our overs we should manage to remain in the four, and hopefully peak in the finals.

### Under 14 B's

<b>Banyule 4/70</b>	<b>Def</b>	<b>Rosanna 7/63</b>
<b>R Gooch 25</b>		<b>J Stuart 2/5</b>

Another good win for the U/14 B's who are going along well at this stage with improvement every week. Thanks to the guys that helped for the U 14 A's this week as the game was a Sunday morning games with many of the B's unavailable.



*As well as winning, the U14's are showing great signs of sportsmanship*

### Under 12 Competition

<b>Banyule 120</b>	<b>Lost To</b>	<b>East Ivanhoe 9/170</b>
<b>L Delaney 31</b>		<b>C Marotta 3/16</b>
		<b>J Moio 2/9</b>

First loss in a while for PD and the U/12 Comp team. East Ivanhoe are on top of the ladder and will be a team that we face in the upcoming finals. Good batting from Captain Luke Delaney and continuing his good form so far this season well bowled to James Moio with 2fa. Despite the loss the teams is still well on track to play finals cricket, and turn the tables on East Ivanhoe next time around. Good luck after Christmas guys.

### Under 12 Development

<b>Banyule 5/26 and 9/76</b>	<b>Lost To</b>	<b>East Ivanhoe 6/64 and 9/52</b>
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