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Banyule claims the Butterworth Shield

In the battle of the only 2 undefeated teams in A Grade, with the Neal Butterworth Memorial Shield at stake, the good guys from Banyule in trying conditions recorded a well-deserved victory. Glenn Butterworth, on behalf of the Butterworth family, made a presentation to the Banyule Cricket Club. Although Glenn was disappointed, Darren was elated from over in Perth to hear the news we had brought the Shield to Banyule for the first time:

"Thanks to the A Grade boys for winning the Butterworth shield back on the weekend. It gave me great pleasure ringing home Saturday night asking Kev what the score was (Kym was messaging me at the fall of each wicket). Look forward to seeing the trophy up in the rooms upon my next visit home. Keep up the good work, hopefully another 4 wins this week will add the Pilkington Shield to the cabinet. Hopefully the two's can get a lucky break and sneak in to the finals!"

Cheers, Western Warrior

PS Ocka you only have 10 catches this season so I have you covered by 1!"

With an outright victory from third grade, a fantastic victory, played on the second day without skipper Brad Russell, which now sees them atop the ladder, (great work acting skipper Ian Crawford) Banyule is leading the Pilkington Shield with only one round remaining. Greensborough are only 1 point behind us 537 to 536, as close as it can get so we need 4 wins this weekend to make sure we stay on top. This Shield is an indicator of the consistency across all grades within a club so to win this would be a great achievement.

With the finals very close, here is a quote by Steve Waugh, from one of the coaching staff. Just something to keep in mind as we enter the business end of the season:

"Fielding performance is always a good indicator of whether or not a team is truly that – a team. I believe this is because a player doesn't really get statistically rewarded or recognised for fielding, so there is no other incentive than doing it for the team.

If you have 11 guys doing that, then the unit is strong and hard to break."

Good luck to all teams in the final round prior to the finals, at present 2nd Grade can still make the finals



Dasha celebrates Banyule's shield triumph in Perth.

Special Mentions

- Congratulations to Aiden Young who received the call up to the HDCA senior side Sunday week ago to play against Diamond Valley. It took Banyule's representation in the game to 5 players, all of whom did well in the field, but not too great with the bat in a losing team. Believe we made 8 runs across the 4 players who batted – of which the cockroach (Brent O'Connor) made 7.

Man and Sponsor of the Match

Congratulations to Matthew O'Ryan (Scooby) on winning the Man of the Match award last round. Last season Scooby had a great finals series and on last week's batting form could be in for another bumper this season. Also a great performance by John Karis (Yarni) saw him rewarded with his second straight Ron Butler award, well done Yarni. With the sponsor of the round it went to John Stanton of the Banyule Post Office & Newsagency. So six Crownies on there way to you John.

Beck's Bedding Quotes of the Week

A few quotes this week. I think Ian Crawford getting sledged on the local radio show takes the cake, it is below, read them all and enjoy.

Jedda: "Is that Waheed that just went out?"

Bigtom: "I think Waheed is in Pakistan, Jed."

Jedda: "I've got good eyesight."

Scooby: "Where's your club cap, Rhino?"
Rayan: "Doesn't fit - my hair's too big."

This quote comes not from a Banyule player but rather Ken Petrucco, host of the HDCA radio program held each Saturday morning at 10.00am on Inner FM 96.5. Ken's sidekick Rob Greenway was competing the usual rap of the previous Saturday's highlights, which included the mention of Ian Crawford's bowling figures of 6/20. As Rob was about to continue Ken intervened with this classic sledge, "Now hold on there a second Rob, I've seen Ian bowl and frankly a few of those batsman ought to be ashamed of themselves. He's one of those bowlers that lets it come down from a great height." But Ken wasn't finished, "He likes to bowl it up there and get his wickets waiting for the batsman to come out to it (the ball we presume)". To soften the blow Ken did finish with, "Crawfo, my old mate won't mind me saying this, I hope he's enjoying the show".

A better summary of Crawfo's bowling we'd like to see!

Social Calender

One big day left on the calender before the finals start, \$1000 draw. The date of the draw is the **29th of February**. Always an entertaining day with \$1000 up for grabs as well as a nearest the pin golf competition as well as other fun activities. A big family day so make sure you're all there as well as sell you tickets.

Trivia

Trivia is back, and there is a free pot on offer for each of the questions to the first person to give me the correct answer.

N.B – Stats are to the end of the 2002/2003 season.

1. Current players Greg Anderson, Russell Felthouse, Ash Gannon, Martin Phillips, Martin Veal and Brad Russell have scored a total of 25,324 runs for Banyule. For a free pot I need in correct order which three players have the highest batting averages of the group.
2. The same players have been known to bowl a bit. (sometimes not pretty) They have managed to take a total of 242 wickets (between 5 as one of them has never taken a wicket), which doesn't say too much about the quality of batsmen playing for opposition teams. Similarly to the first question for a free pot I need in correct order which three players have the lowest bowling averages of the group.

Interview with a Vampire

Name: Andrew Young

Age: 40

Playing weight: 95kilos, I wish

Star Sign: Taurus

Job: Supervisor at city west water

Brothers/sisters: Steven, Fiona, Megan

Marital status: Was, not now

Marital aids: None don't need em

Hobbies outside cricket: Golf, drinking (I think you'll fit in fine at Banyule with these, Ed)

Favourite TV show: Simpsons

Favourite movie: Caddy Shack

Favourite beer: v.b

Favourite meal: Pasta, v,b

Next favourite beer: v.b

Favourite drink: v.b

Favourite band: Red Hot Chilli Peppers

Least favourite beer: Light ale

Favourite song: Under the Bridge

Outside love interests: mmmmmmmmm let me think

Animal that best describes you: Dinosaur

TV character that best describes you: Homer Simpson,doh

Dream rotten egg victim: My Brother

Dream date: Cameron Diaz

Worst bowler to face at training: Chooka

Why: He can't bowl

Dream player to bowl bouncers at: My 12 year old son

Why: He can't bat yet and won't spank me

Highest score for Banyule: 42

Best bowling haul for Banyule: 2 for plenty

Ambitions for 03-04 season: Play A grade

Most admired player at the club: Aiden Young

Best Banyule player seen: who else ANDO

Biggest disappointment at BCC: none as yet

Most memorable moment at BCC: first game

Most embarrassing moment on a cricket field: Standing next to scoob in slips

Best birthday prezzy ever: Being alive

Something you can't live without: Beer n smokes oh and my family

Where did you go to school? School wot school, Watsonia tech sometimes

Who do you prefer, Madonna, Justin Timberlake or Brittany Spears? Madonna

Best holiday: Sufers Paradise

Best bloke to go to a pub with? Ray Kelly (good mate)

Favourite nightspot: Home

Third favourite beer: v.b

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

Best pick up line: Don't need em

Hairstyle tips: Keep it short

Word Associations:

Sledging: Never have never will

Warney: Can play but I would belt him

Chokers: Greensborough

Scooby: My god can he talk

Words of advice: Play hard and fast

Senior Results

A Grade

Banyule 180

Def

Greensborough 127

R Felthouse 38

C Carroll 4/14

M Veal 30

B O'Connor 2/22

A Young 29

P Barnes 2/38

The much anticipated battle between the top two undefeated teams loomed at last. We ventured to Memorial Oval

Greensborough with the Neal Butterworth Memorial Trophy and the psychological high ground leading into the finals at stake.

After winning the toss we decided to have a bat. Things got off to their usual hectic start with Chooka (R. Felthouse) and Peter Costello (J. Wilson) at the helm. Peter was the first to depart with the score on 36 after receiving one of the worst LBW decisions ever seen. He fair dinkum whacked it into his own pad with a half hearted shout from only the bowler getting the nod from the man in white. Peter uncharacteristically vented his frustration on a toilet door that now has some permanent ventilation. From there we batted fairly well with the other top six batsmen all getting starts of sorts. Chooka racked up a brisk 38 before holing out. He is very close to breaking through for big score, let's hope it's this week. Colonel (A. Young) contributed a classy 29 whilst Chicken Man (A. Stuart) made 16 and Ocka (B. O'Connor) a decent effort of 27. Ando (G. Anderson) chipped in with 13 and Marty Veal another consistent effort of 30. At this point we were 7/175 and still hopeful of posting 200+. Unfortunately the tail failed to wag this game and we were quickly wrapped up from there for 180. At least we had 7 overs at their batsmen and we decided to throw everything at them bar the kitchen sink. With fielders ringing the batsmen offering all sorts of helpful advice, Ocka picked up the first wicket with an LBW shout from all 11 players that would have been easily heard in Sydney. He then picked up his second wicket of the evening clean bowling the other opener. In scenes reminiscent of a grand final against Heidelberg a couple of years back we then had to catch Ocka as he celebrated with his now famous airplane antics covering large sections of the oval. We went in that evening well satisfied that we had dented Greensborough's confidence as they stood at 2/15.

41 degree temperatures greeted us as we arrived the next week to defend our challenging total. As sweat poured off us during the very short warmup we knew this was going to be an ugly ugly day. There was no panic in the rooms however as we all sensed this was an opportunity for a supreme sacrifice with the chance of a memory making team victory as the reward. Philo (P. Barnes) picked up the 3rd wicket quickly clean bowling their no. 3 batsman. It was lucky he kept his focus and wasn't distracted by the batsman who seemed to have an unusual stance being as it was somewhere out near the square leg umpire. Ocka kept the pressure on at the other end before being replaced by Fez (C. Carroll) as short spells were the order of the day. We had talked before the game that catches would be the key today and the next 3 wickets paid testament to that. Firstly Peter Costello seized a beauty in his left hand at short mid wicket from a shot right out of the middle off very tight bowling by Fez. Then Fez collected his next victim getting one to pop up off the shoulder of the bat to be superbly caught by Chooka running and diving full length forward from his gully position. Then D-Lo (D. Barnes) enticed an edge from a left hander to be brilliantly snared by Fez low and to his left in one hand at first slip. With the score now at 6/61 there were celebrations and send offs a plenty as we joyously gathered for each wicket. The bowling changes continued a plenty but for a short period were blunted as the 7th wicket proved harder to come by. Finally Philo conjured some magic getting one to nip back and grab our next wicket as the batsman shouldered arms only to have his off stump uprooted. The next wicket fell to Chicken Man who by this time had sent down over 10 straight overs with his left arm orthodox

spin, getting a caught behind which was well taken by Colonel doing a wonderful effort of concentrating behind the stumps. Fez was then introduced downwind and firstly removed Greensborough's mainstay of the innings falling to another scintillating catch by Ando running in and diving forward from a deepish cover position. Then Fez thankfully collected our final wicket with a straight one trapping the no. 11 dead in front. Our joy at winning was like discovering a hidden oasis in the desert. We could finally celebrate and get off the bloody field. A wonderful effort in extreme conditions by all the bowlers likewise matched by one of our best ever efforts in the field. A great team performance by all 11 players that we will not forget for a long time but which also now gives us enormous confidence heading towards the finals.

Bloody beauty were Darren Butterworth's words as we joyously conveyed to him by phone to Perth that we had won his Dad's trophy.



Ocka raises the Butterworth Shield

B Grade

Greensborough 9/256	def	Banyule 228
F Neilson 4/50		J Karis 63
T Veal 2/50		F Neilson 44
		M Phillips 40

We lost the TOSS and the Borough decided to BAT. Tim (Veal) and Doc (Fraser Neilson) opened the bowling in what can only be described as the BEST bowling spell of the summer so far. G-Borough were 20 runs after 23 overs and at teatime they had consolidated to 4 for 90 odd runs. A couple of dropped catches from PD's (Paul Davis) bowling did not help as their batsmen consolidated. After Tea we put more pressure on the batting with some good fielding and bowling to have them at 7/170 odd just before drinks, however the last hour cost us dearly with the heat taking its toll on all players. Greensborough finished at 9/256 with a large chase on our hands. Once again a special mention to our young wicketkeeper (Graham Bennett) - in all those runs he did not let a singly bye through - pretty amazing effort, well done Graeme. To Tim and Doc, magnificent effort with Fraser taking 4/50, great support from all the other bowlers also.

We all know the following Saturday was a HOT one and in this heat the batsmen were going to find it hard going. We got off to a great start with the little RED BULL and Yarni (John Karis) opening, whereby they put on 20 in no time when the little RED BULL played and missed, another quick wicket fell after to bring Yarni and Marty (Phillips) together to consolidate the innings whereby they took it to 80odd runs

before Marty was caught. PD and Luke Taylor fell cheaply and at tea time we were 4/89 runs with Yarni and Vealy at the crease, a quick 60 odd run partnership b/w these two put us right back into the hunt with the heat taking its toll on the fielding side but also YARNI who batted for almost 60 overs for his 60 runs. This was one of the best knocks ever in the heat. All of us on the boundary cannot believe the stamina, concentration and gutsy effort from him - **TRULY AMAZING**. Runs from Doc, Billy (Sier) and Vealy were not enough to get us over the line as we ran out of overs.



Yarni goes out to bat last Saturday

C Grade

Bellfield 87 and 67 d.outright by Banyule 5dec/227

I Crawford 6/20 1st inns M O'Ryan 74

M Kernaghan 2/20 1st inns B Russell 43

Finally Brad won a toss and sent the opposition in on what turned out to be a pleasant day for cricket. We soon had them 1/1 after 6 very tight overs from both Greg Barnes & Rayan Moore and some good fielding. Their 2nd wicket put on 32 with us putting down 3 catches, 2 which should probably been taken, having them 1/33 after 16 overs with 7 maidens bowled between both openers. Rayan finished up with 8 overs 3 maidens 1/9. Dave Veal replaced Rayan with more tight bowling ending up with 5 overs 2 maidens 1/9 and after 23 overs we had them 2/40, with Greg bowling 11 overs 4 maidens 0/29. Ian Crawford and Marcus Kernaghan continued the tight bowling, being well backed up in the field by all players, with Dave Wilson taking a specky and Rennah chipping in with a stumping we ended up having them all out for 87 off 39.5 overs just on Tea. Crawford ended up with figures of 8.5 overs 2 maidens 6/20 with his lolly pops and Marcus 7 overs 2/20. We had 40 overs to bat for the day with Brad and Dave opening unfortunately we lost Dave early bowled for 1. Marcus joined Brad taking the score to 86 when Marcus was given out unluckily LBW after 25 overs we were 2/86 and with only 2 runs required for a 1st innings win unfortunately we lost Brad on the same score with a well made 43 including 6 fours, his last 5 scoring shots being 4's. Matty O'Ryan and Adrian Brown took us past their score and to 3/117 at stumps. The summer that had been missing for cricket on a Saturday, arrived with a blast with temperatures in the 40's. With Brad unavailable Crawford took on the Captaincy and looked extremely nervous, don't know why. Brownie & Scooby really went after the bowling taking us to 4/157 adding 40 runs for the day off 6 overs. Geoff Place joined Scooby with Scoobs

showing us his form of last years Finals with a well made 74 including 3 6's and 6 4's together they took the score to 214 off 53 overs with Jed (10) doing the right thing and giving Scooby the strike. Crawford declared with the score 5/227, Jed and Crawford both not out 11. The team added 110 runs off 16 overs which was a great effort considering the heat. After putting them in again trying for the outright we soon had them in trouble with Barney taking the 1st wicket 1/4 both Barney and Rayan bowled extremely well in the oppressive conditions with Rayan 6 overs, Barney 6 overs 1/9 after 12 overs we had them 3/26 and looking well and truly at an outright, considering they were one batsman short, and were also too busy deciding where they were going for a swim while others were batting. At Tea Bellfield were 4/33 off 18 overs, with Crawford and Dave Veal bowling tightly and to the field that was set. The standard of fielding set in the 1st innings continued with Lucas (Hollywood) subbing for Brad combined with Rennah for a run out, by this time Bellfield had well and truly lost interest in the game and had started arguing, swearing, down grading their own team-mates. Fortunately for us they lost quick wickets after Tea losing 5 for 34 off 18 overs.

This outright win was a great team effort with all players being involved in one way or another, Rennah with 2 stumpings for the match, Big Dave 4 catches. All bowlers used in the 2nd innings toiled extremely well, with Barney 1/9 off 6, Marcus 1/7 off 6, Big Dave 1/3 off 3, Scooby 1/4 off 5 balls. Also the fielding was of high standard considering the conditions and everyone did well to keep their concentration. At one stage the Umpire had had enough and was wanting to call it quits and came off the ground saying he wasn't feeling crash hot, leaving us to finish the game with 2 Bellfield guys umpiring.

This win takes us to top spot with Greensborough (3rd) to play last game. We need to continue the performance of this match for the rest of the season, and not let our efforts and performances of the last couple of matches go to our heads.



Acting Captain Crawford enjoyed a long bowl on Day 2.

D Grade

Banyule 123

A Clapton 44

S Darling 36

Lost To Old Ivanhoe 7/150

M Holmes 2/13

G Clapton 2/36

Losing the toss once again we were asked to bat on a lovely summers day. Googs and Spud got us off to a great start with the first wicket to fall at 44. Ralph and his Puppeteer came and

went facing 4 balls between them as we lost 3 wickets for 1 run. Spud was joined by Gus and they knuckled down with a 51 run partnership. Four for 96 and we were still looking at a big score on a slow ground. Unfortunately this was not to be as our batsmen came and went quicker than a lion during mating season. Being the ever optimistic 4th grade side that we are, we still felt we could win. The Clapton connection set about to see who could get most angry. Bowling with fire pouring out his nostrils the elder Clapton drew first blood early on. Old Ivanhoe then sent in their most experienced bat and he defended his wicket like Davey Crocket at the Alamo. Over night they were 2/65.

Week 2 saw Death Valley like heat engulf Ford Park. Unperturbed our bowlers set about bringing the downfall of the rest of the Old Ivanhoe batting. The Wiz continued his good form confusing the batsmen quite regularly, with his young protege Matty Holmes bowling a great spell to pick up a couple as well. The Clapton gang again flew the flag, but they can't do it alone, time for some help now. A disappointing game but that's out of the way and its Greensborough and then the finals. One last thought, why did those two Old Ivanhoe batsmen retire hurt???

For the BCC 4thXI

Cameron Diaz



Clapton the Elder summons his mental strength

Under 16's

Banyule 163 Lost To Edinbrough

We were unable again to defeat Edinbrough in another game full of controversy. We failed to bat out our overs and were all out in the 39th for 163, Edinbrough 0/1 overnight from 1 over. They passed us with 9 wickets down in the 40th over.

Michael Ryan 43

Aidan Young 25 LBW for the 2nd time against this team.

Aidan Young 2/10 bowling smoke.

Scott Shelton 2/21

Michael Delaney 2/50

I am sure things will be more even in the finals if we meet again.

Banyule 3/190 Lost To Viewbank 6/204
A Clapton 51 Ret
A Young 46 N.O
S Shelton 2/28
A Young 2/32

After our last defeat we were keen to perform well against the ladder leader. Winning the toss we batted and were soon in trouble with Michael Ryan playing across the line to be bowled for 14, he was soon followed by a scratchy Glynn "Framework" Frame for 7 having us 2/30 in the 10th over.

Viewbank bowled consistently outside the off stump not allowing us to work the ball through the legside gaps with only 9 players early in the game. Graham Bennett and Andrew "Spud" Clapton settled things down to take us to 3/98 in the 29th over with Graham departing on 25. Spud and Aidan "Colonel" Young set about pushing the rate along with Spud retiring on 51, this brought Scott Shelton to the crease with only a handful of overs to set us finish on 3/190 from our 45 overs. Colonel finishing with a blistering 46 N.O. and Scott a workman like 15 N.O.

We started day 2 quietly confident that we could hold the Viewbank juggernaut to less than 190, unfortunately we were unable and Viewbank passed us in the 44th over with 5 wickets down. We fumbled at vital times in the field when the pressure was on and some of our bowlers failed to follow basic good line and length bowling which would allow us to set a field. Viewbank picked up too many easy singles as we were sitting back thinking things would just happen. If we are to go further in the finals than the Semi we need to improve in the field and our bowling needs to become a lot tighter. We have one more game to show that we can be competitive and not just rely on our batsmen to post a high score and hope that things will just happen.

Under 14 Blue

Banyule Blue 8/157 Def Edinbrough 58
O Gualano 26, M Abrahams 50 ret. R Allen 2 for 1, R Gooch 2 for 11, M Abrahams 2 for 10

After winning the toss we were in trouble at break, being 5 for 56. A great innings by skipper Mick Abrahams 50 ret. assisted by Ollie Gualano 26 put us back on track to amass a respectable 8 for 157. Wet weather on the Wednesday as firmly in Edinbrough's favour. Line and length bowling and tenacious fielding soon saw the bowlers make inroads into the Edinbrough batting line up. Bec Allen, Rob Gooch and Mick Abrahams all took two wickets. Tom Woodman, Nikhail Joseph and Cam McDonald got one each. It was good win considering we didn't have opening bowler Rhys Bevan (injured back) and Luke Giles (Camp). Thanks to our 2 substitutes, Lewis Melton and Jed Place for filling in.

Banyule 7 for 161 Def Viewbank 126
N Joseph 40 J Arrowsmith 3/19

A great effort against the undefeated Viewbank. Nikhail Joseph 40, Mick Abrahams 27 n.o. Tom Woodman 21. If we win this it will be a superb effort given we are missing bowlers Ollie Gualano and Tom Woodman (School Camps) and Rhys Bevan (injured back).

Under 14 Maroon

Banyule 6/142 lost to Bellfield 182
Josh Young 53 retired, Lachie McMahan 44 not out, Steve Matheson 3 for 7, Hamish Phillips 2 for 16.

A good batting effort by this young side. Josh is back in form and Lachlan continues his great year for Banyule on debut to junior cricket. Keeper David Majerczak got two stumpings. The coaching staff of the Lukes were unimpressed with the side's sloppy fielding which cost them early wickets and have warned of a heavy fielding session on Thursday night. As we attempt to consolidate a spot in the four, we must improve our fielding if we wish to keep playing into March.