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4 From 4 – Great Start!

Another great start to the season with strong wins in each grade. The players who did all the pre season work generally showed the way with the bat and ball, reaping the benefits for all their hard pre season work. We need to continue to work hard on the track to get all sides off to a great start, and to put us in a strong position come Christmas.

Thanks to everyone that came down on Saturday night, also to those who made it down for at least a part of the night. We need to make sure we all make a special effort to get down to functions this year as we don't have many.

Don't forget that next Tuesday is our last night where we have the indoor facilities at our disposal at 8pm. This Tuesday just past there wasn't a big crowd so all players got both to use the bowling machine and bat in the net, so make sure you come along and enjoy the last session.

This Week's Games

1st Grade V West Ivanhoe @ Home

2nd Grade V Heidelberg West @ Heidelberg Park

3rd Grade V East Ivanhoe Saints @ Chelsworth Main

4th Grade V Viewbank @ Home

Full fixtures can be seen on the HDCA website, a link to this website is in the website section of this Howzat.

Election

Don't forget to vote before you go to your game this week, we don't want anyone to get a fine because they were playing cricket!

Special Mentions

- Thanks to those that helped out at the club BBQ last Saturday night, and in particular our resident chef Tim Veal and all those lovely people that brought Salads.
- Congratulations to those players who represented the BCC in seniors for the first time, Paul "Rowdy"

McMurray, Michael "Johnno" Johnson, Elliot Everson, Greg Staff, and Sunil George.

- For those with Foxtel or have seen some of the cricket highlights from the first test, the Steve "Doc" Pinner sightings have started. He was the Aussie in a yellow shirt and green hat "holla dancing" after a Michael Clarke 6! He has gone across to represent both the BCC and as a roving columnist for the Howzat, so we look forward to his column when he returns.

Sponsor Advertisement

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Duck Award

A new weekly award was started last week, the duck award. The prize is you get to carry with you after the game a furry, squeaky Duck! The award was given last week to the person who recorded the least number of balls duck, and there were 5 to choose from! Both Dasha (Darren Butterworth) and Beasty (Feroze Chowdary) shared the award with their ducks lasting only 2 balls, but Dasha took the duck with him after protesting his innocence and saying he didn't hit the ball he was given caught behind to! Look out if you do make a duck in the future lads, as you may just find yourself quacking all week long!

Junior News

This week brings on the first games of the season for our 5 of our 6 junior teams. All games will be played on **Sunday Morning** so if you are able to get along to support the teams or help out the coaches please do, your support will be appreciated. Good Luck to all involved.

U/16 Blue V Greensborough @ War Memorial Park
U/16 Maroon V Rosanna @ Home
U/14 Blue V Greensborough @ Home
U/14 Marron V Edinburgh @ Shelley Reserve (Mel 19 G12)
U/12 Comp V Edinburgh @ Fairlea West (Mel 2D G3)

Night At The Races

You all should be aware by now our clubrooms are being renovated this season. In order to complete these renovations Senior and Junior Football clubs and ourselves need to raise \$60,000 (we tried to get Jamie Durie and team in but failed). In order to raise this money the 3 clubs have combined to come up with a few functions, the first of which being on Saturday 13th of November. It is being held at the Manningham Club and will be a spring racing carnival theme. Tickets are \$100, which includes Beer, wine, Champagne and soft drink as well as some guest speakers and lots of fun and frivolity. We are hoping to get 400 people in attendance (it includes the other 2 clubs) so please make sure you get behind the fundraising committee and get yourself and as many friends as you can gather along to what will be a fantastic night. More details will be further in the Howzat. See Plugga for tickets.

Membership

Match fees and Memberships have increased for the first time in at least 6 years (been so long that no-one can remember the last increase). This reflects the growing increase of running the club, we've all heard about the increases in insurance over the last few years, so please make sure you pay them as soon as you can. We got off to a good start last week with several players paying up already, please see Marty or Dlo to work out a payment plan if you are struggling a bit in the hip pocket. Don't forget we do have credit card facilities so you can pay now and deal with it later! **Everyone is expected to have paid by the 25th of November or have made an appropriate payment plan well before then.**

Membership:

Senior	\$140	incl GST
Student	\$70	incl GST
Junior	\$70	incl GST (includes cap, drink bottle, and match fees)

Match Fees:

There has been a change to the match fees as we now play both 1 day and 2 day games regularly throughout the season.

The price has been set as an amount per game not playing week as it has been in the past, so when it shows \$15 for a 2 day game this works out to be \$7.5/week of the game.

A Grade - \$15 for a 2 day game, \$10 for a 1 day game
B Grade - \$15 for a 2 day game, \$10 for a 1 day game
C Grade - \$10 for both a 1day game and a 2 day game
D Grade - \$10 for both a 1day game and a 2 day game

Social Calender

This season as the clubrooms are being renovated we are still unsure of our facilities to host functions and we will also be involved in functions with the other clubs as part of the appeal to raise funds for these new rooms. This has made planning for the social functions difficult so watch this space for updates, but this is what has been pencilled so far:

November 13th – Night at the Races – Manningham Club
November 27th – Trivia Night (Its Back!)
December 18th – Christmas Break Up
February 6th – A Race Day at Healesville
February 20th – The 30th Double Wicket Day as well as the Premiership reunion for the 1984-85 Premiership Side.

Interview With A Vampire

Name: Michael Johnson

Age: 29

Playing weight: 100 kg's (working on it, not sure which way it will go yet!!!)

Star Sign: The fishy one

Job: Marketing Development Manager

Brothers/sisters: 2 older sisters

Marital status: Married.....to the lovely Kylie (she may read this, better give her a gee up!!!)

Marital aids: Beer on my behalf and champagne on KJ's part

Hobbies outside cricket: Golf and fishing

Favourite TV show: The Man Show.....a great sexist foxtel show!!!

Favourite movie: Lock Stock & Two Smoking Barrels

Favourite beer: James Boags Premium

Favourite meal: Chicken & Mushroom Risotto

Next favourite beer: Kilkeny.....an English beer.

Favourite drink: Strawberry Squeeze from Boostjuice

Favourite band: Hard to say.....listen to everything

Least favourite beer: Anything that's light!!!

Favourite song: Superstyling by Groove Armada

Outside love interests: My big screen TV

Animal that best describes you: Dog.....loyal and friendly

TV character that best describes you: Tim Taylor (Home Improvements) where more power or bigger is better theory, not the accident-prone side of him.

Dream rotten egg victim: No one at the club yet, but give it time someone will earn the dubious honour.

Dream date: At the Crown Towers restaurant and then spend a night there.

Worst bowler to face at training: The bloke with dark hair...still learning the names of everyone
Why: Was a generic answer as to not offend anyone.
Dream player to bowl bouncers at: Anyone who can't bowl quick!
Why: Self-explanatory
Highest score: 99
Best bowling haul: 8/42
Ambitions for 04-05 season: Consolidate myself within the club as a valuable member and contribute wherever required.
Biggest disappointment in cricket: 99!!!!
Most memorable moment in cricket: 2001/02 A Grade Premiership @ WYCCC (Adelaide)
Most embarrassing moment on a cricket field: Bowling a ball last season and falling over as I delivered it and thought I still seen it okay and appealed for an LBW and it was given out. The boys then informed me that I was the only one who appealed and found out afterwards he actually inside edged it onto his pads.
Best birthday prezzi ever: Can't really remember any of significance, but just happy to get one.
Something you can't live without: My big screen TV
Where did you go to school? Port Augusta High School (Country SA)
Best holiday: Hyatt Coolum.....honeymoon.
Best bloke to go to a pub with? After just moving to Melbourne, anyone that says yes!!
Favourite nightspot in Adelaide: PJ O'Briens was the king there in my single days!!!
Favourite nightspot in Melbourne: Still looking.
Third favourite beer: Tooheys Extra Dry
If you were stranded on a deserted island, who would you want to be with? My wife Kylie and Angelina Jolie.
Best pick up line: Whatever I slur out at that point of time.
Hairstyle tips: I'm not the right person to be answering this....but just use the Keep It Simple Stupid method is the one I subscribe too.
Word Associations:
Port Adelaide: Give me the shits.
John Howard: Eyebrows
Rove McManus: He is his own biggest fan.....but is funny at times.
Aiden Young's Hair: Eye catching, but the second most recognisable in the club!!!
Words of advice: If the club expects me to find my way to away games, then they'll need to get someone to pick me up or give me an accurate address as I have no idea of where anything is in Melbourne yet!!!

The Quote of the Week.

Philo (Philip Barnes) makes it into this section 2 weeks in a row. In his first official game as Captain Philo had been preparing an inspirational speech for his troops, don't know what happened to it though as this is all he could muster. "You only have to get a batsmen out once"
 Good to see the new Captain has taken over from the last Captain Ocka (Brent O'Connor) in filling the quotes of the week section for me.

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.

Every player sponsor will also receive a certificate of appreciation from the Club.

We urge all players to support the club in securing a player sponsor, and they should see Greg or Daniel Barnes for any assistance that is required. I also have information sheets for you to have filled in by your new sponsor.

Club Shirts

This season the club will have new after game shirts for all players. It has been a few years since the last shirt came out and in that time we have had 2 new Gold sponsor's join with Banyule and this also has contributed to the need for new apparel. The shirts will have all 3 major sponsors on the shirts as well the Banyule logo and will be made from a cool, dry material that will be perfect for summer wear.

Various sizes are available from small through to the big guys at extra extra large. They can be purchased by anyone including players (senior and junior), wives and partners etc, children, family and other valued supporters. It is of course **strongly recommended** by the committee that all senior players purchase a shirt and wear it on game days to promote a strong, proud and unified club.

The shirts are currently on order and will be in shortly, we believe they will be around the \$30 mark, and be well worth the price.

Please see Ian Crawford to place an order.

Neal Butterworth Red Wine Club

Once again the Neal Butterworth Red Wine Club will be in full force this season. It will commence **next Thursday the 14th of October**. All it involves is letting Dlo know that you want to be a part of the club and I will roster you

on for a selection night, and on that night you need to bring along 2 bottles of red wine. You will be rostered on with another person so in all 4 bottles will be shared between the members.

Web News

With Dave Wilson away this season the web page will be updated by yours truly, so have patience I'm only learning. For the results there is a link on our web site to the HDCA web site where you will be able to get all the results from around the traps.

The two page addresses are:

www.banyulecc.50megs.com

<http://hdca.cricketvault.com/?recent=100>

Senior Results

A Grade

Banyule 7/191(cc)	Def	Old Ivanhoe 8/98(cc)
J Karras 53		C Carroll 3/3 (5)
J Poyser 52 not out		A Young 2/28 (8)
J Wilson 41		

Philo was named captain after several stints as replacement skipper and was keen to set the tone for the season with a team meeting on Thursday night! Not since the Some Place Else bar/PJ O'Brien's debacle have we had a pre game team meeting.

After speculation of the round being cancelled due to uncovered pitches, then being relocated, A Grade was pleased to start the 2004-05 campaign vs Old Ivanhoe at Chelsworth Park NW.

Philo won the toss and was happy to bat first. Chooka (Russell Felthouse) and Yarni (John Karras) opened the batting with chooka being beaten by the slow pace of the pitch and was out first over, 1-2. Jeff (Wilson) strode to the crease and together Jeff and Yarni put on 76 before Jeff was out for an entertaining 41. Yarni showed the way with the bat being patient early on, then once he had his eye in upped the tempo and was dispatching balls to all parts of the field before he was out for a very well compiled 53. Colonel (Aiden Young) made an elegant 20 odd and new player Mick Johnson opened his scoring with the club with a 6 then went out next ball, a few others came and went. JD was at the other end during all this patiently accumulating runs and was joined by Fez. Fez worked the singles to get JD on strike while JD exploded! He went from 25 to 51 in the second last over with some lusty blows. The good guys finishing on 7-191, an opposing total.

The new kids on the A Grade block showed just that by asking "bowlers name" when Philo was stepping out his run up! They then proceeded to show as much with the bat with Philo and another new player Paul 'Rowdy' McMurray beating the bat generally 4 times an over, Rowdy almost killing the opening bat with a lightning fast shortish ball. Old Ivanhoe were never in the hunt and when Fez came on and took 3-3 and colonel got a great run out, the game was over. They then shut up shop basically blocking out the last 15

overs which was good for us as everyone got a bit of a bowl and we got to field the full 37 overs.

A solid start to the season, which will hopefully be the foundation for a solid year.



(Old Ivanhoe fighting out of their division on Saturday)

B Grade

Banyule 6/150(cc)	Def	Bellfield 81
T Veal 60 not out		L Taylor 4/15 (8)
M Phillips 36		(inc Hatrick)
		M Harte 4/21 (8)

Well that time of year again - we have dusted off the cobwebs in the cupboard where the kit and clothes were lying and found out on Sat morning that another pair of whites was required so off we rush to the Sports shop to buy a pair only to realise that they did not have the size you wanted.

Anyhow 2nd grade were playing at home - with Marty leading his charges into battle for another season. His pre-match speech was again inspirational and full of cliches endearing to all who heard it - me I could not even remember it. Lost the TOSS and were asked to bat with young Ryan Hartnett and Waheed opening the batting and a solid foundation was established with 28 runs on the board when Ryan was bowled, the next two batsmen (not even worthy of a mention) did not even bother the scorers, however Fraser and Waheed steadied the ship with Waheed adding 20 and Fraser 6. Next Marty came in only to face half trackers which he summarily despatched to the boundary with a quick fire knock of 36 only to be trumped by Tim Veal "that is correct - Tim starred with the bat" 60 runs. He and Usher Harte took the score to 150 which was going to be a formidable target.

The bowlers began brilliantly with Billy Sier and Fraser "Doc" opening UP. Bill bowled his heart out - without luck, a quick change at the other end with that man HARTE doing it again with the pill - 4 for 21. Marty with a flash of brilliance brings on Luke Taylor - who bowled well with very little luck and Marty was going to PULL HIM OFF, but to the protests of Vealy (the VC) - Marty had to leave him on and wouldn't you know it the little bugger takes 4 for 15 - oh did I mention the hatrick in this 4 wicket spell. Well punters it was amazing the first one bowled, the second one bowled, the third one "you guessed it BOWLED", Luke had a hatrick - it would have been good to see Marty PULL LUKE OFF, but his hatrick was much better. Doc and Moshy pitched in for a wicket each - no dropped catches, no silly fielding mistakes and no

grumpiness on the field. The day truly belonged to the TWO's with a double RAINBOW, a Hatrick and a win what more could you want!!!!

C Grade

Banyule 7/98(cc)

Def

Edinburgh 45

G Place 23

S Clapton 3/8 (8)

B Russell 18

A Young 3/8 (7)

After winning the 3rd grade title back to back we were intent on starting the season off with a win over Grand Final opponents from last season in Edinburgh. We started off well winning the toss and batting on what was the thickest and slowest we have seen our High school ground for some time.

Brad Russell and Geoff Place opened the batting and apart from a number of hairy runs succeeded in taking the score to 32 before Brad was out for 18, Daniel Barnes a late admission came and went chasing runs and after 12 overs we were 2/35. Matthew O'Ryan (8) and Geoff took the score to 55 before Matthew was run out, Geoff was then bowled for top score of (23) the remainder of the batsmen were all out chasing runs Paul Davis (1), Andrew Young (8), Ian Crawford (11) Marcus Kernaghan (9no) and the come back king Brad Bowler (6no) taking us to 7/98 off our 37 overs.

Considering the state of the ground that was a reasonable score. Edinburgh started their inning facing Paul Davis and Scott Clapton (up from 4th grade last season) with both bowling extremely tightly with Scott claiming the 1st wicket bowled. Edinburgh 1/8 off 4 overs they were soon in a desperate situation with Paul taking the next wicket and then Scott taking his 2nd and after 10 overs were 4/16. Scott ended up with figures of 8 overs 4 maidens 3/8. Paul Davis 6 overs 2 maidens 2/10. Andrew Young and Marcus Kernaghan then took over and demolished the batting with Andrew 7 overs 2 maidens 3/8, Marcus 5 overs 2/14. The bowlers were well backed up by the fielding with Rennah taking a great catch, Paul Davis taking a running catch over his shoulder, and over illustrious leader Brad Russell taking a forward diving one handed catch. We ended up dismissing Edinburgh for 45 which is a good start to the season, however not all games are going to be like this, with our next two matches being a 1 dayer against East Ivanhoe Saints at Chelsworth Main and a 2 dayer against Edinburgh at Alfred Crescent.

Let's make these 2 matches our real start to the season with wins.

D Grade

Banyule 3/90

Def

Edinburgh 9/83(cc)

R Kernaghan 57 not out

E Everson 3/13 (8)

R Kernaghan 2/8 (6)

Season 2004/05 opened with our first game at Edinburgh where traditionally we struggle no matter how strong or weak our team is. Substitute Captain for the day , Ganno, won the toss and decided to have a bowl. After a slowish start the bowlers got on line and kept it tight, on a very slow ground, and before too long wickets began to tumble at regular intervals. All bowlers performed very well with Elliott the stand out with a very good and controlled spell which rewarded him with figures of 3 for 13 from his 8 overs.

A few highlights from our time at the bowling crease. As fate would have it the club Coach features in all of them. Ganno

at mid off waiting for the catch to come down, pants beginning to fall, a quick hitch up of the dacks and the catch successfully completed under duress. Ganno again. At the fall of a wicket he would gather us around to keep us focused. We knew what he was trying to say but the words were gibberish. Another wicket and more of the same - he gave up in the end. Ganno again and this will be hard to beat for many years to come. Ball was hit over Ganno's head at mid off. As he turned to go after the catch those pants began to move again. Ganno had to make a little dive towards the ball to complete the catch. Alas!, he was unsuccessful. Those pants had fallen to around his ankles.

Ganno has trouble with his pants as he attempts a catch!

The Coach of the club, a highly respected cricketer and teacher of the game, diving for a catch with his trousers around his ankles, with his grey jocks visible to everyone and his mother and grandmother with a perfect view from their vantage point on the boundary. They missed his earlier 2 catches but were there for the dropped one. Umpire was laughing, batsmen were laughing, team-mates were laughing - no place to hide. We completed 37 tight overs and restricted Edinburgh to a more the reasonable score to chase.

When it was our turn to bat we lost Greg & Goosy early but a good partnership between Ralph & Dave Veal steered us out of early trouble. Ralph & Scott Darling passed Edinburgh's score with no further alarm and Banyule recorded a very comfortable first up win at a venue where we usually struggle.

The 4th Grade Juggernaut has been entrusted into the care of Craig ' the Puppeteer" Hunniford this year. Graham Clapton is currently side lined with a back problem, which will hopefully see him back in action later in the season. Graham has left some big shoes for Craig to step into but if we all pull together and give Craig out support we can help keep the Juggernaut on track for another FLAG. The problem is now that Craig has the POWER and what will happen when Graham is fit. Will Craig have Graham walk straight back into the 4's or will he make him earn his place back via the 1's, 2's & 3's.



(Craig's big shoes to fill)