



Warrandyte Cricket Club Newsletter

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LITTLE BALLS, BIG SHOULDERS

Daniel Barry aka Little Balls aka Mr Big (his girlfriends name for him) saved the day for the Two's on Saturday, smashing 14 off the final over, highlighted by a dirty slog over midwicket for four off the last ball to tie the match. The exciting finish happened with a top of the table clash against Croydon North. The two's were set 177 to win with Croydon North having a lower order collapse after being 4/150 and in a strong position to set a high total with Warrandyte struggling in the field, including Hoiberg dropped the softest catch ever, Tyson Walshe proved why he is pushing for one's selection, picking up two wickets in an over and two's debutant Tulloch Grieve run out the new batter knocking down middle stump to get three wickets in an over. Grieve proved his worth with the ball as well, picking up two late wickets to finish with figures of 3/45 off 8. Walshe was the pick of the bowlers, finishing with 3/30 off 8 as well. Warrandyte went out to bat and was met with some sheer pace by the Croydon North captain and opening bowler. In his opening spell, he managed to shake up Hoiberg and Marc Centofanti, and whilst they were going at a run a ball for the opening over's the bowler manager to shatter Centofanti's foot, fill Hoibergs underwear with urine and scare Grieve into "Wearing a thigh pad for the first time in his cricket career". Hoiberg (10) departed in the tenth over, and Daniel Wellesley came to the crease. Warrandyte was dismayed to see that Dumb Dan went out to bat and after a common brain fad Wellesley soon joined Hoiberg in the stands, not troubling the scores. With Centofanti bravely fighting on with his foot injury Warrandyte pushed on with the job, but after a steady flow of runs and wickets were looking in trouble at 9 -161 with an over to go. Enter Barry. Barry strutted out to the crease, obviously feeling uncomfortable wearing his cricket shirt instead of his trade mark singlet, but was confident in his ability. Barry set the crowd on fire, stealing the points



for Warrandyte and when the ball flew to the boundary to tie the match Barry and Hoiberg (running for Beardall who was bitching about his leg) embraced in the middle, reminding spectators of why we play this great game.

Moses this week led his Third XI disciples to Gracedale Park to take on an undermanned Ainslie Park 4th XI who batted first. At 4/35 the difference is skill level was evident, but one batsman, who was dropped 4 times, including some sodas from the usually reliable Gids & Chris Douglas off his own bowling, got his team to 8/99 on a superb outfield. Stuart Haworth was again the pick of the bowlers with 2/8 off 7 & just 1 wide, along with Gids 3/12 from 7, Mitch Gaffney gets better every game (1/22) & J-Mac was steady (1/20). But the catching was disappointing. We began our chase with Moses Goddard departing in the 4th over for 14, and Crebes joined Jack Wrong in the middle who carefully got to 1/46 in the 12th over, before Jack went for 20. Largey made 3, and Braydan hung around to see the team across the line until he went with 10 over's remaining. Enter J-Mac, who bludgeoned 65no from just 30 balls. All the time Crebes was up the other end, and with an over to go needed 8 runs to bring up consecutive tons. But after we yelled this out to him, he went for a dirty slog & was clean bowled. So

another easy win has the 3rds undefeated on the top of the ladder, but further proof they need win the flag & close the big gap to A-Grade.

The Fourth Eleven rolled on this week, with the Juggernaut picking up pace, with Warrandyte pulling down Ainslie Park's park and giving them a good spanking. Warrandyte batted first, and after losing early wickets to be 3-31 Geoff Zach and Mitch Canham combined for a 125 run partnership with Canham scoring a massive 102 runs for his maiden century and Greater Zach scoring a solid 48 before being run out. After setting Ainslie Park 211 for victory, the Warrandyte boys set out to roll Ainslie Park and get back into the club house for a few brews. John Prangley followed up with 10 wicket haul with the top three wickets, and with Peter Sharpe and Graham "Chuck Norris" Rees picking up three wickets as well, the Warrandyte boys wrapped up another easy victory. The Fifth Eleven were back out on the ground this week following an unfortunate forfeit the week before, lead by super captain Luke Revell, who was able to sober up for an afternoon to set his captaining record at 100%. One from One. After being set 251 by Warrandyte for the victory, Warrandyte chased it down whilst laughing at how easy this game can be. Warrandyte got the runs, got the points, and didn't put in any stats to the RDCA so I have no idea who did what. Solid effort boys. PTO for one's report.

Current Ladder Positions (Round 4)

First XI Wilkins Cup	6th - 2W 2L
Second XI A Grade	2nd - 3W 1T
Third XI F Grade	1st - 4W
Fourth XI I Grade	1st - 3W 1D
Fifth XI M Grade	1st - 4W
U/16 (U/16-2)	1st - 2W 1D
U/14 (U/14-1)	5th - 1W 1L

Upcoming Events at your club

- 7/8th of November - Relay for Life at the WCG
- 15th of November - Life Members Dinner
- 24th November - RSA Course at club

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ROUND 4 CONTINUED

The Ones were coming off a fantastic two day match where they almost escaped with an outright victory. They traveled to St Andrews, who had started the season strongly, placed second on the Wilkins ladder. Warrandyte batted first with Captain Adam White and Ben Taylor getting the team off to a good start but losing White for 15 when he was bowled with the score 1-30. Campbell Holland came then left and Justin Cleaves strolled to the crease immediately demanding respect from his opponents. He combined with Taylor for a stabilizing partnership but when Taylor departed for 27 and then Skermer for 15, and Cleaves threw away his wicket soon after losing Skermer Warrandyte were in trouble at 5 - 106. Dave Mooney and Lee Evans went about repairing the damage, scoring 22 and 19 respectively, and were able to push Warrandyte's score to be all out for 157, but making the cardinal sin of not using all their over's, bowled out in the 39th over. Warrandyte's attack was missing the ever reliable and tight Gerald Walshe, but had St Andrews at 3 - 36 and then 4 -63 and where looking strong after Cleaves one handed screamer. But the wheels started to fall off for the Dytes, with St Andrews regrouping and pushing the runs along, and after President Matthew Chapman got smacked in the lip by a slower ball the boys needed to lift. St Andrews never really looked back after this and though all the bowlers walked of the pitch with wickets, St Andrews were victorious, sending them to the top of the table and Warrandyte outside the top four, down to sixth. What must be noted is that this report has been made with me not being at the game and not hearing any reports so I wouldn't have a clue what happened but I assume it went a bit like that.

Player Profile



Name – Lachlan Dougherty

Nickname – Leaf

Bat – I dunno

Bowl – Lightning

Highlight – Eating a leaf

Funniest moment – Beating up J-Mac

Favourite Drink: Sap

Best thought ever – I once came up with an idea to deliver alcohol, but someone stole it.

Future Company slogan— “Don't blow those leaves away, Ill eat them”

Favourite Season– Autumn. Its like an all you can eat session.

Favourite Country - I really respect the Irish, and am a big fan of their four leaf clovers. Its really a whole meal in the palm of your hand.

Biggest Enemy—Leaf Blower, Fires

TEN WICKETS NOT ENOUGH???

Whats the difference between John Prangley and Steve "Buckets" Lockie?? One takes 10 wickets in a match ripping through the opposition and the other doesn't pick up a wicket. One gets locked up for pissing all over Glenferrie Road, the other is locked into the fours because he is to old. Both of these fast bowlers deserve the respect of all batsmen, and they also deserve the respect of the selectors. Whilst doing the job of selecting the teams would be a fate that no one would want to have to deal with, and we don't know what is spoken behind doors, we still have the right to question some decisions that Warrandyte's version of the Jedi Council makes. One such question raised recently was about the choice not to promote Prangley to his beloved three's, oh whom he has toiled for in the past because of his age. As a younger member of the club I am gratefully for the opportunities that are given through the youth policy at Warrandyte but surely no one can say that Prangley did not deserve a promotion. With two vacancies in the 3rd Eleven squad in the 4th round surely Prangley should have been a certainty. I'm sure that Johnny would never say a word against the decision and cope it on the chin as he always does, hence my reasons for writing this article. I just hope that at times the selectors may be able to look past their youth policy once in a while to give the heart of the club a chance to beat at a higher level. I invite anyone to submit a response to this article as is only fair, but I do wish to plead the case of some of the members of the club whom, to quote Dean Gidley, “ who goes 110% on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday”.

