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TWO BLUE TRIBUNE

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Vale Geoff Wells – patriarch of a cricket dynasty

Sometimes you are lucky, just plain lucky. Sometimes in your life you are blessed to meet someone, be quietly influenced by them and those around them, and just be plain lucky to have met them along life's journey. I have enjoyed such fortune in knowing Geoff Wells.

Last weekend the Newtown & Chilwell Cricket Club lost one of its greatest influences with the passing of our 9th Life Member Geoffrey Marcus Wells aged 85.

On a weekend when the rains finally tumbled down and the Club had little success to celebrate it is time to put things in perspective and celebrate the life of one of the Newtown and Chilwell Cricket Club's greats.

Geoff Wells was one from the old school, a total gentleman, honest as the day is long, always a contributor yet never seeking the limelight. And if anyone deserved the limelight at our club Geoff Wells was the one.

Having joined the club, newly married to Margaret and new to Geelong in 1947, he was to spend the next 50 years quietly achieving, significantly contributing and proudly looking on as his Club became the most dominant force in Geelong cricket. Geoff loved his sport, football, golf and cricket.

As a player he captained the club, enjoying his twilight years as long term 2nds skipper. He made 6863 runs at around 30 in over 280 games which including 7 premierships, five in the First XI.

As an administrator he contributed for a dozen years, four as Treasurer.

As a Life Member he continued to contribute for 40 years after his election, sometimes as assistant coach and always as an avid supporter.



A proud Geoff Wells with cricketing sons Allan, Greg and Stephen.

The fact that his sons Greg, Stephen and Allan were able to be involved when the club was at its most successful stands as a tribute to Geoff. Between the four they total 21 First XI premierships, an unparalleled performance in Geelong cricket.

We all have been blessed to have met or be affected in some way by Geoff along the way and have all benefited. Our sympathy goes to Marg, Kevin, Greg, Stephen and Allan and their families.

A great inning magnificently played with style and class.

- David Barnes TBT Editor

Rain cancels game

DRIVING rain ruined any chance of Newtown & Chilwell and South Barwon taking the field on Sunday as the match was called off before the scheduled starting time.

Set the challenge of chasing 228 for victory, the inclement weather may have pleased the Towners more than the inform Swans as the weekend proved to be far tougher for the batsmen across the competition than it had seven days prior.

However, according to Two Blues' president and opening bowler Scott Mullen, the visitors were disappointed about the washout denying them a chance to reel in the target.

"Rain, hail or shine, as cricketers we just want to get out there and play and the boys were disappointed about not playing," Mullen said.

The club's fixture against the top-of-the-table Grovedale next week promises to be a tense encounter with former Blues Michael Kelson, Simon Pearce and Barry Tsitas all lining up for the opposition come Saturday.

"We're really looking forward to it. Obviously Grovey are travelling pretty well at the moment and, with a few of our former players in their side, it should be a great game," Mullen said.

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*A blast from the past
from an ex - pat*

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Murray Hedgcock was the long-serving London correspondent for **The Australian newspaper**. He worked at **The Geelong Advertiser** in the early 1950's, fitting in games of cricket for N&CCC while pretending to be off doing his rounds. He reconnected with his old club via the modern wonder of Google.

For Murray Hedgcock, it was...

Destination - Newtown & Chilwell

It's a startling reminder of the passing decades when a scrapbook turns up a yellowing match clipping - and I am reminded it is nearly sixty years since I first played club cricket.

But there it is: back in February, 1948, Stratford defeated Maffra Colts by four wickets despite my one not out, batting Seven on debut for the Colts, and the two balls I bowled as victory neared.

From Gippsland to the Western District: my next cricket was with Warrnambool Methodists, before I joined **The Geelong Advertiser** as a cadet journalist in 1950.

Much Saturday work made club cricket difficult. But I scored the plum assignment of covering the match between a Victorian Country XI and Freddie Brown's 1950-51 MCC team, senior professional Cyril Washbrook in charge for this two-day fixture.

The temperature hit 114 degrees Fahrenheit on the first day, when the home team batted grimly to a dour 201 for five wickets, Newtown and Chilwell's 18-year-old future State player John Shaw contributing a dogged dozen.

To the astonishment of the tourists, the home team batted on next morning - but for only 28 minutes, when rain washed out the day, and the match.

I did play some cricket, for the Advertiser in the mid-week association, with matches on Wednesday afternoons.

Most of the teams were made up of shift-workers, such as a bakers' eleven, and one from the Geelong tramways (I always delighted in those toytown trams), plus "Reserve Ships" - sailors on the RAN vessels stationed in Corio Bay.

I must have had more free Saturdays late in 1952 when one of the printers, Wally Nankivell, suggested: "Why don't you try for Newtown & Chilwell?"

Living in Retreat Road, just behind the council offices, I was qualified residentially, and so turned up for nets at Kardinia Park.

I managed this only a couple of times (work still got in the road of such extras), but was vastly impressed that the club coach was Vin Hassett.

Having been born in South Melbourne, and barracking for its cricket and football teams all my life, I revered the name of Hassett - one of the eight Australian captains to play for that long-established club.

I recall one net session facing a genuine fast bowler who was playing district cricket in Melbourne - an

uncomfortable experience to remind me that whatever I did at Newtown & Chilwell, I was never going to reach any heights as a batsman.

But I was picked for the Fourths, to play some unremembered opponents on a sloping ground out in the wilds of Geelong West - and as far as I can recall, we were beaten.

There must have been something about the accomplished six runs I accumulated - or maybe it was because I had proper kit, unlike some teammates, that I caught the selectors' attention.

Next week, I was rocketed to the dizzy heights of the Seconds. I recall little of the game except that it was played at Queen's Park - a venue which I understand is a little more sophisticated today than it was then.

I contributed little except - to my slight shame - running out an opposing batsman when he and his partner thought an edge had beaten me in the slips.

It hadn't - and the unlucky batsman paid the penalty for having a crippled leg, and being unable to do more than hobble between wickets. He was a 3GL announcer named Dick Magree (anyone recall him?)

I had another couple of forgotten games with that team: clearly I did nothing either to paste into the scrapbook, or to persuade the selectors that I was true Second Eleven material.

So the axe duly fell, and I was shifted down to the Thirds - which produced the highlight of my career with N&CCC.

Playing Geelong West Cricket and Football Club at their oval, I was (rightly) No.11, coming in when we needed around 30 runs for first innings points.

The hopes of the side rested on that splendid veteran Vic Profitt. Somehow I stayed with him while we added 34, and secured those valuable points, to his approval.

That ended my Geelong cricket A few days later, I was on SS.Oronsay, sailing from Station Pier, Melbourne, to England.

There I was to play for Baskerville CC at Wandsworth, for South London Journalists, and, a dozen years later, on a return visit to the city where I now have been settled since 1966, Sheen Park, on the borders of Richmond Park in Southwest London.

Much to my regret, when I was elected a member of MCC - the Lord's lot - I found I had arrived a season too late to qualify as an ordinary member to play for the club with the famous egg and bacon colours.

There was an echo of Geelong one season when I met the cheery manager of the 1985 Australian team in England, and found he was a member of Newtown & Chilwell. Chap named Bob Merriman - you may have heard of him....

Now the closest I get to playing the game is escorting my 12-year-old granddaughter to coaching classes at the Lord's Indoor School, and reminiscing there with other fond parents and grandparents about days we too spent in the field.

And I always make sure to tell them about my time with Newtown and Chilwell....

*The club Yearbook and Annual Report publications
are available from the clubrooms or barnso@bigpond.com*

TWO DAY OR TOMORROW ... WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER.

Though it has served Australia well for more than a century, there has always been an inherent flaw in the two day turf club cricket set up. English observers have long struggled to come to terms with the fact you can bowl on a road one weekend and come back the next week to bat on a swamp. But that's just the way it is.

Having said that, the wash-out against South Barwon in the First XI was probably the fairest result after the drought took the weekend off. To have done so well with the ball first week on a pretty placid pitch, then to have had to chase on a pudding would have been a serious injustice.

Despite a few dropped catches, there was plenty to like about the first week's effort. (And on dropped catches, yeah they're disappointing but as Stephen Rodger Waugh would point out, at least they're a sign you're creating chances.) Scott was his bullish self with the new ball, the skipper bowled a marvellous spell that had him being talked about and analysed in forensic detail in the cheap seats, the ultimate sign of respect. Jaik also showed a bag with either bat or ball is not far away.

The Twos did it a bit tougher on day one, and things went mightily awry on day two when the factors mentioned above were melded into, from all objective reports, a mix of some good nuts and some bad batting. There's no other comment to make other than keep working. Turn up to training ready to push on. It was once said of an Australian captain that he wanted it to be day five with the spinner on every day. Cricket isn't like that - you'll get 20 kicks in the guts for every good day. The good players are those who work out how to get better after every boot into the mid-riff. Be a good player.

As for the thirds and the fourths - again cricket is a tough game, especially against a proud club which South Barwon is. They can never be under-estimated. If you challenge them, they will respond. They have developed into the sort of club where recruiting is a natural

development - players want to move there because of the positive nature of the club, not because of how much money can be stuffed into a plain brown envelope! The former is the direction in which we're going and it won't belong before we're there. One member of the First XI enjoying this year his involvement in the game at that level even reckons we're there already. Being positive never hurt anyone.

The Fifts had a solid won, built on an exquisitely crafted half-century in game 299 to Tony Devlin. What a club champion! Shake his hand for number 300.

It was great to see the Jaffas x2 in action, Tony and Tom both batting and bowling together. It's wonderful when you can give the kids a go, and at the same time a club legend. Tony might not be able to move freely again until Christmas, but he has had a moment as fulfilling as anything he might have achieved with Geelong or N&CCC in the past. To all the young Dads in the club, take it from some blokes who know, it doesn't get much better than playing with your off-spring.

Last weekend wasn't the best one for our club. But it wasn't the worst, not by a long shot. There were times last year when we lost all grades, well maybe all grades except for the Sixths. Privately, we wrote the plan for the way back then. In 2007/2008, we have not only publicly espoused it, but are "red-hot" determined to follow it. Stick together, play the kids, work hard off the field to create a genuine club approach to everything we do.

A loss is only a bad thing if you don't learn for it. Think about how you got out last Saturday. Was it the same way you've been getting out for the past little while? You don't get better by doing the same thing over and over again, either in the middle or in the practice nets. If you've got a problem, get advice. Work with the coach on how you can solve it. **And never forget, we're all in this together.**

Disability Cricket

The weekend's rain washed out the round one of the new season. Round two will be played on Sunday November 25th when we travel to Colac for a 10.30 start.

Office Bearers 2007/08

PRESIDENT	Scott Mullen	CLUB COACH:	Brett Bentley
SNR VICE PRESIDENT	Brett Bentley (personnel)	SELECTION MANAGER:	Stuart Day
VICE PRESIDENTS	Matt Suvoltos (membership officer) Mark Turnley (junior coordinator)	FIRST XI CAPTAIN:	Darren Fleet
SECRETARY	Warwick Hadfield PO Box 240 Geelong 3220 webmaster@newtownchilwellcc.com.au	SECOND XI CAPTAIN:	Damien O'Loughlin
TREASURER	Rhys Bennett	THIRD XI CAPTAIN:	Colin Cunliffe
GENERAL COMMITTEE:	Andrew Green Frank Tuskes Damien O'Loughlin (clubrooms) Millie Fleet (sponsorship/grants) James Purcell	FOURTH XI CAPTAIN:	Frank Tuskes/Jamie Pescott
		FIFTH XI CAPTAIN:	Warwick Hadfield
		SIXTH XI CAPTAIN:	Mark Turnley
		STATISTICIAN:	David Barnes
		FIRST XI SCORER:	Ange Fatone
		SECOND XI SCORER:	Stephanie Shaw
		CURATORS:	Graeme Taylor
		BAR MANAGER:	Claire Heath
		KITCHEN MANAGEMENT:	Elephant Castle Hotel

Honour roll 708 Win/Loss ratio



	Played	won	lost	drawn	Ladder position
First XI	4	1	2	1	10 th of 14
Second XI	4	1	3#	-	12 th of 14
Third XI	4	2	2	-	12 th of 14
Fourth XI	4	3	1	-	1st of 14
Fifth XI	2	2	-	-	2nd of 9
Sixth XI	2	-	2	-	7 th of 9
TOTAL	20	9	10		16 club championship points #lost outright

Century (1)

Paul Sheahan 112 not out in the 4ths versus North Geelong round 3

5 or more wickets in an inning (1)

Dave Boyanton 5/39 in the 1sts versus North Geelong round 3

Partnership

106 runs for the 1st wicket by Frank Tuskes (51) & Andrew Green (56) versus Geelong West 4ths on 13/10/07.

Milestones

Paul Sheahan 100th match in round 1

Matt Suvoltos 150th match in round 3

Warwick Hadfield 200th wicket in round 4.

Outstanding performance

Brad Petter took 3 for 24 including a hat trick in the 2nds versus North Geelong on 21/10/07. All batsmen dismissed LBW.

Venues round 4

Two day matches Nov 10 & 17

1sts versus Grovedale at Zampatti Oval St Josephs on Sundays

2nds versus Grovedale at South Barwon Reserve on Sundays

3rds versus Grovedale at Reserve Road

4ths versus Grovedale on Shaw Oval

5ths versus Grovedale at Grovedale Secondary College

6ths versus North Geelong at Elderslie West on Nov 10

There's no excuse now for not knowing where you're playing – the senior teams are online, yet another N&CCC innovation. Go to: www.newtownchilwellcc.com.au, click on news and results, and then senior teams.

Milestone

Congratulations to **Warwick Hadfield** who claimed his 200th club wicket last weekend in the Fifts victory over South Barwon. Warwick's 201 scalps have been snared at the miserly average of 14.17 with 9 five or more wicket hauls and a best of 7 for 36 over his 106 matches. He claims a wicket every 30 balls a fantastic strike rate.



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Two Blue Scoreboard 708

round 4



Click on http://gca.cricketvictoria.com.au/results/stats.cgi?site_id=1447:results for full scoreboards.

FIRSTS

drew with South Barwon at South Barwon

RESULT – drawn match abandoned due to rain.

On a track best suited to the batsmen, the Swans' captain Brad Hauenstein elected to make first use of it, but when he was dismissed for 18, the more-fancied South Barwon was in serious trouble at 4/55.

However, David Boyd (66) and the in-form Andrew Morrison (66) combined to shift the momentum back in the home side's favour with a vital partnership of 120.

Nevertheless, a quick flow of wickets to the Towner's stifled the Swans, restricting it to a reasonable 227 in a seesaw day's play. English prodigy Jaik Mickleburgh and skipper Darren Fleet were instrumental in Newtown's fight back with 3/34 and 3/58 respectively.

'We'll take 227 – I think most teams would – but we had a chance to make 260 and they at one stage may have dismissed us for 180,' said South Barwon left-arm paceman Darren Hauenstein, who hit a useful 19 not out at the death.

The Two Blues will be relying on its star batsmen this Sunday in Brett Goggin, Tim Clark and talented 17 year-old Mickleburgh as it aims to thwart a quality Swans pace attack.

South Barwon 227

J Kedey	c Eason b Mullen	6
S Whittingham	lbw Eason	4
D Hester	lbw Mickleburgh	14
B Hauenstein	lbw Fleet	18
A Morrison	lbw Mickleburgh	63
D Boyd	c Lavars b Mullen	66
G Hauenstein	c & b Fleet	2
S Breuer	lbw Mickleburgh	0
D Hauenstein	not out	19
B Anderton	b Fleet	1
P Hunt	run out (Clark)	2
	Extras	32
82 overs	TOTAL	all out 227
	FOW: 10, 14, 37, 55, 175, 186, 189, 220, 223, 227.	
Bowling:	Scott Mullen	18/6/2/33
	Dave Boyanton	7/2/0/12
	Simon Eason	7/1/1/30
	Jaik Mickleburgh	15/4/3/34
	Matt Jackson	8/1/0/34
	Darren Fleet	24/4/3/58
	Tim Clark	2/0/0/9

SECONDS

lost to South Barwon at South Barwon

RESULT – lost outright by an innings and 64 runs
South Barwon 286

Bowling:	Cam Russell	8/2/0/23
	Jackson Davis	12/1/0/40
	Luke Sharry	7/0/0/33
	Dev Royce	16.5/2/4/43
	Brad Petter	18/3/3/39
	Jai Sheahan	5/0/0/22
	Matt Suvoltos	13/1/1/48
	Damien O'Loughlin	5/1/1/22
	Extras	19
84.5overs	TOTAL	all out 286
	FOW: 38, 58, 194, 217, 218, 259, 261, 286, 286.	

Newtown & Chilwell 1st Innings 78

Andy Garrigan	5
Rhys Bennett	5
Jimmy Bottomley	0
Damien O'Loughlin	13
Matt Suvoltos	22
Jai Sheahan	8
Dev Royce	0
Luke Sharry	21
Brad Petter	3
Cam Russell	not out 0
Jackson Davis	0
Extras	2

32 overs **TOTAL** **all out 78**
FOW: 10, 10, 11, 26, 39, 44, 66, 78, 78, 78.

Newtown & Chilwell 2nd Innings

Rhys Bennett	3
Andy Garrigan	8
Jimmy Bottomley	6
Damien O'Loughlin	11
Matt Suvoltos	25
Jai Sheahan	29
Dev Royce	27
Luke Sharry	1
Brad Petter	5
Cam Russell	not out 21
Jackson Davis	0
Extras	8

41.5 overs **TOTAL** **all out 144**
FOW: 8, 18, 23, 39, 65, 106, 108, 117, 143, 144.

THIRDS

lost to South Barwon on Shaw Oval

RESULT – lost by 96 runs

South Barwon 204

Bowling:	Lucas Friend	17/4/1/45
	Nick Boyanton	19/7/4/34
	Nick Sutcliffe	8/3/1/19
	Luke Wierzbowski	12/2/2/40
	Jordie Lewis	11/3/2/50
	Matt Sheridan	4/2/0/6
	Sam Clark	2/0/0/10
	Extras	17
73 overs	TOTAL	all out 204
	FOW: 1, 3, 6, 13, 64, 154, 156, 171, 200, 204	

Newtown & Chilwell 108

Adam O'Connor	0
Iann Hastie	23
Luke Wierzbowski	9
Sam Clark	22
Yves Roussety	0
Matt Sheridan	0
Jordy Lewis	7
Nick Sutcliffe	3
Lucas Friend	not out 31
Grant Whiteside	6
Nick Boyanton	0
Extras	7

55.3 overs **TOTAL** **all out 108**
FOW: 9, 27, 39, 41, 41, 53, 69, 72, 84, 108

FOURTHS

lost to South Barwon at South Barwon

RESULT – lost by 36 runs

South Barwon 139

Bowling:	Jacob Simonsen	10/2/1/24
	Anthony Wilson	7/3/0/9
	Brett Loats	14/1/3/42
	Jamie Pescott	3/0/0/5
	Oliver Theobald	4/1/0/9
	Terry Hickey	10/0/2/25
	Tom Bates	6/1/2/15
	Extras	19
54 overs	TOTAL	all out 139
	FOW: 3, 11, 33, 91, 92, 107, 115, 116, 139	

Newtown & Chilwell 103

Chris Hocking	53
Jamie Pescott	4
Adam Patching	11
Oliver Theobald	0
Steve Lewis	4
Tom Bates	0
Frank Tuskes	6
Anthony Wilson	not out 5
Brett Loats	1
Terry Hickey	7
Jacob Simonsen	0
Extras	12

46 overs **TOTAL** **all out 103**
FOW: 23, 76, 76, 78, 84, 87, 90, 102, 103

FIFTHS

defeated South Barwon at Elderslie West

RESULT –

Newtown & Chilwell 266

Phillip Morgan	6
Warwick Hadfield	57
Anthony Devlin	50
Zac Stokes	3
Stuart Day	38
Tony Jefferies	27
Tom Jefferies	4
Brett Bentley	27
Ange Fatone	not out 24
James Hadfield	0
James Purcell	2
Extras	28

70 overs **TOTAL all out 266**
FOW: 7, 98, 110, 173, 182, 205, 220, 260, 266

South Barwon 194

Bowling: Tony Jefferies	16/6/3/29
James Hadfield	10/1/1/22
Tom Jefferies	4/0/0/26
Brett Bentley	8/2/1/17
Warwick Hadfield	19/4/2/61
Zac Stokes	4/0/0/17
Ange Fatone	5/0/0/18
Extras	4

66 overs **TOTAL all out 194**
FOW: 8, 15, 15, 71, 79, 127, 193, 194, 194

SIXTHS

Bell Post Hill at Flinders Peak

RESULT – lost by 9 runs.

Newtown & Chilwell 8/132

Mark Tunley	4
James Blight	0
Andy Bishop	11
Cam Bishop	retired 53
Patrick Eastman	0
Neville Crane	5
Dean Tunley	23
Angus Johnstone	4
Paul Eastman	6
Tom Chisholm	not out 3
Ben Jackson	not out 4
Extras	19

40 overs **TOTAL 8 for 132**
FOW: 5, 10, 20, 21, 53, 110, 121, 126

Bell Post Hill 5/141

Bowling: Andy Bishop	4/0/0/22
Cam Bishop	4/1/1/21
Patrick Eastman	6/1/3/34
Tom Chisholm	2/0/0/20
Ben Jackson	5/0/1/32
Dean Tunley	2/0/0/10
Extras	6

23 overs **TOTAL 5 for 141**
FOW: 10, 45, 73, 73, 97.

Junior Scores

round 2

Under 17

N&CCC Just 158 J Anvs 52, Jordie Lewis 43 versus East Belmont

Under 15

N&CCC Barnes versus Inverleigh 7/219

Under 13

N&CCC Royce 2/104 Lachie Ansell 30 not out versus Bell Park 1/94 C Skinner 1/14

ANSELL & CHOMLEY PUT NCCC ON RIGHT PATH

Ansell started the procedure well by winning the toss and ordering Bell Park to dish out there best performance, and it was close to it with Bell Park cruising to 1/94 after there 28 overs. Wickets were scarce as Ansell & Gribble failed to claim a scalp as did Smith, until Skinner claimed the only wicket of the innings. Ansell however was tight 0-3 (3), while Sudweeks was storming down the other end with 0-6 (3) but it was once again Bill Heenan whos bowling was second to none with figures of 0-4 (3) including 1 maiden. Garrat & Daymond performed as needed while Chomleys season drought of wickets continues.

Newtown came into bat with a big task at hand and got of the bat scoring well and fast, Callan fell for 2 but Lachlan Ansell put in a skippers innings beating his way to 30*. Chomley then had the responsibility to make some runs, it was day sha voo of Semi-Final of last year, Both Lachlan's came to the crease when the side was under the pump, there was cloud around, and Chomley was as nervous as ever, But Chommas smashed his way with 3 4's and 10 singles to be 22* at the break.

From the Coach:

Excellent batting performance so far, last week we were lazy and undisciplined and were bowled out after 18 overs for 82, This week was much more patient and skilful cricket, all the batters scanned the field for singles and worked well between wickets. Bowling was only average, work is needed compared to last weeks performances, there were too many extras and bowls way of the stumps. Obviously it was a low wicket affair but once we get into there middle order it will be expected they will crumble.

GO ROYCE! , Steve

N&CCC Pearce 8/98 versus Highton Harrison 4/125

N&CCC Clark 3/123 defeated Drysdale Gold 9/59 J Hickey 2/2, N McGuane 2/1

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Batting

Paul SHEAHAN	123 @ 123
Jai SHEAHAN	105 @ 21
Chris HOCKING	102 @ 51
Matt SUVOLTOS	102 @ 25.5
Russell MITCHELL	96 @ 32
Andrew GREEN	80 @ 26.67
Brett GOGGIN	78 @ 39
Frank TUSKES	69 @ 23
Nick RICHARDSON	68 @ 22.67
Warwick HADFIELD	67 @ 33.5

Bowling

Nick BOYANTON	9 @ 11.22
Devon ROYCE	8 @ 11.13
Terry HICKEY	8 @ 7.13
Scott MULLEN	8 @ 18
David BOYANTON	7 @ 16.71
Jai SHEAHAN	6 @ 15.5
Sam EASON	6 @ 16
Brad PETTER	6 @ 22
Tom ROBERTS	5 @ 5.8
Luke WIERZBOWSKI	5 @ 12.6
Matt TRELOAR	5 @ 12.8
Warwick HADFIELD	5 @ 15.2
Jaik MICKLEBURGH	5 @ 17.8
Nick SUTCLIFFE	5 @ 17.8
Jackson DAVIS	5 @ 22.4
Darren FLEET	5 @ 23

Catches

Grant WHITESIDE	6
Steven LEWIS	4
Luke WIERZBOWSKI	4
Darren FLEET	3
George CHISHOLM	3
Corey MATHIESON	3

Stumpings

Steven LEWIS	3
James BOTTOMLEY	2
Patrick EASTMAN	1

Player of the Season

Jai SHEAHAN	230
Devon ROYCE	176
Nick BOYANTON	174
Paul SHEAHAN	173
Scott MULLEN	169
Luke WIERZBOWSKI	169
Warwick HADFIELD	167
Nick SUTCLIFFE	155
Terry HICKEY	152
Brad PETTER	143

Junior Scores

Under 17

N&CCC Just defeated Grovedale 7/209

J. Andrews	23	1/27	
C. Bishop	2	0/11	
J. Clonan	0		1 catch
S. Connelly	39	0/28	
J. Grabowski	74	0/8	3 catches
J. Lewis,		3/22	
B. Mansell		0 not out	
J. Sheahan	2	1/34	
T. Simpson	7	0/14	1 catch
M. Stokes	4		
D. Turnley	5	1/49	

An outstanding victory first up for the U17 Just boys.

Day 1 saw Grovedale win the toss and elect to bat. Steady batting saw Grovedale post a very competitive 209 with a flurry of runs in the last 10 overs. Jordan Lewis was the standout bowler with 3/22 and Josh Grabowski sharp in the field snaring 3 catches.

A steady start had the boys very confident with a solid partnership from Lewis and Grabowski lifting the run rate. A few quick wickets had us 5/98 at break still in with a chance. Wickets being the issue a stunning performance from Josh Grabowski 74 and Sam Connelly 39 had us right back on top. Needing 19 runs of 18 balls it looked like it was going to go right down to the wire. Connelly claimed 16 off the over and added the winning runs from the last over of the day. A great effort from all the boys who are now looking to build on the win next week against East Belmont.

Under 15

N&CCC Chisholm 9/178 defeated Bell Post Hill 132.

George Chisholm, Gus Johnstone and Eddy Ratcliffe were elected by the team to be the team leaders for this season.

George promptly celebrated by winning the toss and we were off to have a bat.

With the two Georges (Chis and Cammo) and Eddy Ratters back in the sheds we were soon in shatters ditch at 3/8. Gus, Josh Carr and Hugo showed some signs of resistance but when those three went along with Bernie Chomers we were 7/58 and on very shaky ground. The Hill boys were cock a hoop thinking they were about to avenge last season's grand final but someone forgot to tell them that the Towners were only just warming up and in fact batted all the way down to 11.

Jamie Harrison (31) and Damian Hatch (53 not out) added 43 for the 8th wicket and then Hatchy along with Tom Chisholm (19) batted the final 25 overs to add 77 for the 9th wicket. Tom Chis was out with 7 balls of the innings to go and then Hatchy and Tommy Gee saw out the

last few balls. Hatchy batting at number 9 was brilliant--solid defence mixed with aggression at the loose ball culminated in his best innings in his so far short career at Newtown.

I had told the boys if you bat out your 55 overs then you usually win the game -- were we to be tested by the Hill boys who boast 2 of the finest batsmen in GCA U 15 cricket-Kiddle and Maclean? Day 2 and Jamie and Hugo opened the bowling in steady fashion. When Eddy bowling 1st change dried up the runs the pressure started to mount on the batsmen. Tom Chis entered the scene and picked up a couple of wickets including the aforementioned Kiddle 2/41 and still very much in the balance. The skipper was changing his bowlers around in an obvious effort to unsettle the batters and he was rewarded when Hugo claimed the prize scalp of Maclean for 17.5/89 and the pendulum swinging in our favour. Captain George chimed in with a couple of wickets from 6 tidy overs and then Hugo and Tom Chis cleaned up what was left. BPH all out got 132 and victory for the boys from Queen's Park.

A very good performance in the field although our front foot over the line needs a bit of work. George Cammo a fine slips catch, 3 catches to George Chis (whilst not wicket keeping) and a good outfield catch by Gus were all highlights.

SCOREBOARD;

George Cameron	2	2/1/0/2	1 catch
George Chisholm	1	6/3/2/4	3 catches
Angus Johnstone	9	2/1/0/14	1 catch
Eddy Ratcliffe	0		11/3/1/21
Hugo Steinfort	15	10/0/3/25	1 catch
Josh Carr	12		
Jamie Harrison	31		9/1/1/18
Bernie Chomley	1		
Damian Hatch	53	not out	1 catch
Tom Chisholm	19		8.2/0/3/31
Tom Goodear	1	not out	2/0/0/10

Next week Grovedale at Reserve Rd. Oval in Grovedale

N&CCC Barnes 9/161 defeated South Barwon 137

A McPherson	1	2/24	
N Grabowski	0		1 catch
P Eastman	6	1/5	3 catches
D Carragher	52	ret	0/11
J Thackeray	54	no	0/11 1 catch
J Barnes	27	2/3	1 catch
N Clonan	0	1/8	
L Chomley	3		
T Gribble	4		

H Andrews	0	1/5	1 catch
A Wilson	0	0/20	
L Simpson	3	no	2/16 1 catch
A Henderson		1/5	
I Cato		0/18	

An excellent first up win for the boys.

Day one saw Danny and Jack each make fine half centuries, with Josh also batting well as we put together a handy score. Steady bowling and fielding in the early season heat saw the Sth Barwon team always behind the required rate, a flurry of late wickets to the Two Blue boys the icing on the cake of a good all round performance. We head on into round 2 at home to Inverleigh with six points in the bank and the promise of lots of improvement to look forward to in all areas of our game.

U15 Taylor (77 & 99) lost outright to Grovedale (8-214)

M Allen 16, R Mackie 20, M Wood 31, T McDonald 22

C Duggan 3/19, M Allen 2/23

Under 13

N&CCC Royce 82 lost to St Josephs 95 Danny Smith 3/8 Bill Heenan 3/10

Such a great start to the season saw Newtown have Joeys at 8/44, but when the talked stoped so did the wickets, Joeys managed to pile on another 51 runs for there last 2 wickets and Newtown all of a sudden had there work cut out, Danny Smith starred with the ball with 3-8 and so did Bill Heenan with 3-10.

The batting performances were also a let down with almost all dismissals being lazy attempts for a 6. The fellas all gave away there wickets with countless run outs and undisciplined shots. This game provided many lessons, the main lessons was that the job isn't done until you have taken 10 wickets and Joeys were 8-44 and managed to win and it shows that if we were in the same position that it isn't over until its over.

N&CCC Pearce 2/109 versus Modewarre 7/111 Caleb Lun 2/7, Zac Sheahan 2/9



Congratulations to Life Member Tony 'Specs' Devlin who is due to play his 300th club match.

Anthony DEVLIN

Debut season 1981/82

5 November 2007

	1STS	2NDS	3RDS	4THS	5THS	6THS	TOTAL
GAMES PLAYED		11	93	108	59	28	299
PREMIERSHIPS		-	1	-	1	2	4
INNINGS		9	92	99	54	28	282
NOT OUTS		1	7	13	10	6	37
HIGHEST SCORE		28	93	116	101no	66	116
AGGREGATE RUNS		74	1667	2283	988	464	5476
AVERAGE		9.25	19.61	26.55	22.45	21.09	22.35
DUCKS		2	4	3	3		12
CENTURIES				2	1		3
50s			10	11	5	1	27
CATCHES		3	30	31	15	10	89
STUMPINGS							
OVERS BOWLED		56	834	852.33	166.5	108.5	2017.33
MAIDENS		14	197	208	42	27	488
WICKETS		5	98	98	30	20	251
RUNS		136	2277	2058	436	252	5159
AVERAGE		27.20	23.23	21.00	14.53	12.60	20.55
5 wickets/innings			4	3	1	1	9
BEST BOWLING		2/6	6/74	5/30	6/24	6/33	6/24
BALLS PER WICKET		67.20	51.06	52.18	33.30	32.55	48.22
RUNS PER OVER		2.43	2.73	2.41	2.62	2.32	2.56

Congratulations also to 4ths co-captain Frank Tuskes on 100 games

Frank TUSKES

Debut season 1998/99

5 November 2007

	1STS	2NDS	3RDS	4THS	5THS	6THS	TOTAL
GAMES PLAYED		8	36	51	4		99
PREMIERSHIPS		-	-	-			
INNINGS		8	36	45	3		92
NOT OUTS			2	6			8
HIGHEST SCORE		24	71	112no	70		112no
AGGREGATE RUNS		85	616	1022	144		1867
AVERAGE		10.63	18.12	26.21	48.00		22.23
DUCKS		2	5	3			10
CENTURIES				2			2
50s			4	3	1		8
CATCHES		3	16	26	4		49
STUMPINGS							
OVERS BOWLED		61.63	407	612.83	24		1105.46
MAIDENS		17	93	112	1		223
WICKETS		8	49	82	2		141
RUNS		135	1067	1649	128		2979
AVERAGE		16.88	21.78	20.11	64.00		21.13
5 wickets/innings				2			2
BEST BOWLING		4/21	4/76	7/47	1/33		7/47
BALLS PER WICKET		46.22	49.84	44.84	72.00		47.04
RUNS PER OVER		2.19	2.62	2.69	5.33		2.69

Make our home your (Elephant and) Castle!!

Don't forget, we have great meals on at the clubrooms after training this evening, provided by The Elephant and Castle.

So give the cook the night off and bring the family down. Bring your friends, too.

The family room is now in operation, so the children have somewhere to play while you're having something to eat and drink.

Let's celebrate our great new facility the best possible way ... By using it!!!!

You know you're from Geelong when....

1. You were born at Baxter House.
2. You still hang out with the same friends you had in high school.
3. You can't go out without seeing someone you know.
4. You always end up at Eureka every Saturday night.
5. You used to always end up at GH every Saturday night.
6. You remember the good old days at the Lyric.
7. You have eaten food from Kev's takeaway van on Gheringhap Street.
8. You have waited an hour for a taxi after a big night out then given up and walked home...because nowhere in Geelong seems very far when you're drunk (or sober).
9. You had schoolies in either Lorne or Torquay.
10. You hung out at Barwon Valley Fun Park as a kid.
11. You have attended a Poppy Kettle festival.
12. You have performed in a school play at GPAC.
13. You have been on a school excursion to Happy Hens and Warrumbidgee Farm.
14. You have been on a school camp to Sovereign Hill.
15. You remember when Waurn Ponds was one giant paddock.
16. You claim Missy Higgins as "Geelong's Own" because she went to Grammar.
17. You generally think people who went to Grammar are wankers.
18. You were possibly a "Joey's Boy" or dated a "Joey's Boy".
19. You know someone who went to Chanel or

Morongo.

20. You attended either Deakin or The Gordon at some point.
21. You know several people who work at Target.
22. You know someone who played for Falcons.
23. You have a Geelong Football Club sticker on your car.
24. You insist on still calling Skilled Stadium "Kardinia Park".
25. You regularly see footballers in your local supermarket and don't particularly care.
26. You know Lamby's is the place to be after a footy match at KP.
27. You think Billy Brownless should be our mayor.
28. You have a very strong opinion about Sam Newman.
29. You have a very strong opinion about palm trees in Moorabool Street.
30. You think The Advertiser's a load of crap, but you still read it every day.
31. You can leave work at 5:15 and still miss "peak hour traffic".
32. You have jumped off the tower at Eastern Beach and slid down the hill on a piece of cardboard.
33. You remember when Village only had two cinemas and going to the old Pix on Elizabeth Street.
34. You remember when Smorgy's opening was the biggest event in the town's history.
35. You remember when Club 4 Play was a creepy underground McDonalds.
36. You remember when OfficeWorks was World 4 Kids.
37. You remember when Brash's was a cool place to buy cassettes.
38. You insist on still calling Westfield "Bay City Plaza".
39. You remember when Bay City Plaza car parking was free for the first two hours.
40. You refer to "going shopping" as "going into town".
41. You went on a Contiki tour and met several other people from Geelong.
42. You know what "Buckets and Bouquets" are.
43. You know Geelong doesn't just rock. It K Rocks.
44. You always refer to Geelong as "G Town" when talking to Melbourne people (or any people really).
45. You acknowledge Geelong's a hole...but still get pissed off when Melbourne people call it "Sleepy Hollow"!

The Platypus

2 votes Andrew "Jarman" Garrigan ages days in seconds.

1 Vote each Jack Bentley and Sam Garrigan early nomination for Flaker wrestling belt.

3 Votes Zac Sheahan "What is the computer room used for..." Ahh, my guess, refrigeration.

1 Vote Sargeys new career match making ... trying to set up Hoss and Bea.

2 votes to Ange for running out the coach. Pretty keen on scoring not interested in playing Ange?

1 Vote Greeny calling the Fourths "The Beatles" the Fab Fours"

2 Votes Lucas Friend "I am not get a bat all season but will score plenty on the cricket trip."

1 Vote Lucas. Geelong's newest taxi service operates one day a year.

2 Votes Donna Sheahan rings Stevie Lewis to ask what he is wearing tonight Lewies response shorts T-Shirt.. Donna is it not semi formal. What the Degrandis sale.. Club opening next week...i

3 votes Greeny missing a game of cricket to take kids to a school fair

1 vote Nick Boyo, 1st ball of the game, mongrel full bunger that batsman lopped back to him caught and bowled but ugly ugly cricket.

1 Jordy Lewis. Keeps pinching Sargey's dvd player to watch whilst having a bath. Just as long not viewing any of Patch's movies Jordy.

3 votes Frankie Tuskes a right bowler bowling around the wicket to him end of over Frankie states he hates left arm bowlers. Which hand do you use for knife and fork Frankie?

2 Votes Tom and Tony Jefferies starring in their own movie "Return of the Jeffi"

1 Specs hits a monster six then has to spend all Saturday night justifying it and specs was it an edge?

2 Chris Hadfield studying Psychology at uni reckons he learnt more standing next to Russell Mitchell for the last two seasons.

Three votes to Greenie for not knowing the difference between psychology and philosophy. No doubt he thinks by standing next to Christopher Hadfield, Battler was a Freudian slip! Greenie, by the way, is the same bloke who can't tell a sheep from a rainy day or the difference between a damp and a dry cave!!!!

1 vote Chris Hadfield already has a client base once qualified and doesn't have to leave home.. Jimmy, Wocka and Jaik how much couch time do we have right there.

2 Votes Donna Sheehan for each hour she spent trying to buy jai some creams in the end borrowed Shannon Goves'.

1 Vote Jimmy Hadfield when asked about the Art of invisibleness claimed he practices it but doesn't work. An a typical cougar statement.

1 Vote after being dismissed for a golden duck Jimmy "the cougar" Hadfield stated he needs to practice the art of watchfulness.

1 Vote Mrs Jefferies, Tom's mum, watching her husband and son bat together, left after Tom's dismissal. No joy in watching Tony smash 'em around the park.

2 each Greeny and Wocka arguing about speleology; among other things

1 Vote Patch Don Adams is not the name of the actor the played the father in the Addams family.

1 vote Patch having a snooze on Sav's balcony. Well the couch was occupied by Knackers.



Stinton Oval after the downpour on Saturday night - photo by Jaik Mickleburgh.

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Backing you going forward

Specs plays his 300th game this week and here's some facts about him you may not be aware of:

- He once dropped a catch at Lara because 'the You Yangs distracted me'.
- After doing a runner from the Great Western Hotel he later informed everyone he didn't do a runner because 'I walked. I didn't run'.
- Over the years Specs has been known as – Specklahan, Speckle Edberg, Eldine Spectiste, Boris Boom Boom Specker, the wombat, Speckie McGee, Old Man Specka
- He was vice-president of the Inverleigh Footy Club. As a result they folded. After he left the club was resurrected because he wasn't there anymore.
- Inverleigh made Specs a life member. But they didn't bother to tell him.
- Specs claims he invented the upper cut shot where you deliberately hit the ball up and over slips or gully. He also claims every time anyone plays that shot they owe him a dollar
- He is so set in his routine he refused to give a bloke a lift home one night because he lived 'too far out of my way'. The bloke lived two blocks from Specs' house.
- Specs refused to have a 40th birthday party. His reason was that he hates parties. He goes to everyone else's party when there's free grog on, he was just too tight to return the favour for everyone else.
- Specs can never, ever just admit he's wrong. Give it a go, see if you can make him do it.
- Specs has his own song, sung to the Richmond theme song. Here's the updated version

—

Oh we love Specklahan,
That lovely redknob,
We love Specklahan,
In any weather you will see him with a drink,
Speaking before he can think,
If he's not blind,
Then never mind he's always on the brink,
Oh we love Specklahan,
He'll never leave until that final drink is gone,
Whether it's hot or it's cold,
We love Specs, he's old,
Oh we love Speckla
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Oh we love Specklahan!

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