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TWO BLUE TRIBUNE

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Ah.....Chrissy, and the Craney Cup comes home

The last weekend before the last weekend before Christmas turned out to be a reasonably good one for N&CCC, especially with the win in the First XI.

While we will enjoy Double Wicket, those of us who want to play cricket while ever there is a scintilla of sunshine, are justified in wondering about, and worrying about, a broader attitude afoot in our city that wants to play less, not more.

If there are people who don't wish to play cricket, let's establish a competition for them with plastic bats, stumps and balls and let the rest of us get on with it.

Anyway, we digress.

The N&CCC creche, aka, the First XI, had a good win over Bell Post Hole, the big one you have to cross to get to Myer Reserve these days, a win that was pivotal in the Craney Cup coming HOME!

It will be noted wryly that the babies are moving up the ladder and are well placed to improve on the efforts of the previous season, which was all we asked them to do in 2007/2008. Keep it going fellas.

It will also be noted that Doggie on two and none while poor persevering Fleetie is struggling a bit. Cruel game cricket, especially when you know how much Darren is bleeding for the club this year. Stick with it mate.

Congrats to the Pres, who is having an annus mirabilis with bat and ball, on his first five-for in the Firsts. Can anyone explain why he didn't bowl more last year?

Well done to Jaik for top-scoring on the Myer mattress and getting three-for when the Pres finally let him have a bowl with the wind at his back. Essex will have its best all rounder since Derek Pringle by the time we're finishing with you.

The twos are also fostering young talent, witness Jordie's first six on grass, and some blokes were on a steep learning curve out at Bell Post Hole.

But a valuable lesson should be being learned. When you carry on like a pork chop in the game of cricket, you do look very silly indeed.

So best not to do it, which of course is the Newtown way, anyway, especially under the new coach.

The thirds and the fourths have been in super form, well except for J. Pescott, who did, however, return to form in a style that silenced the selectors who had been quietly pondering a demotion.

Well one of the selectors, the birthday boy from December 18th, and we don't mean Keith Richards, or the captain of the 5ths, who was eagerly listening to the conversation and wondering where he might slot Pessie in if he was dropped.

But of course, none of that happened and the rest is history, a magnificent double century, one just shy of the club record.

And how good a cricketer would Steve Lewis be with two good legs and two good hands?

The 5ths were on the wrong end of the stick against East Belmont, but probably won the argument for which you get no points, but a fair bit of satisfaction.

The 6ths are coming good when it matters, though you wonder how long Turtle can hiding away talented youngsters like Darcy and Neville.

So we go to the break in pretty good shape for a club that has been publicly ridiculed in some quarters this summer.

Of course a lot of that ridicule stems from the fact that there are only two clubs in Geelong, those who are Newtown and those who want to be.

And gee, aren't the whispers growing strong that the number in the latter category wanting to make the shift to the former is growing by the day.

That clearance box out at Winter Oval might need to be enlarged next August!!!

The refurb, the sightscreens, the well-run administration, the commitment to youth and the drought proof outfield, inter alia, are causing an outbreak of green-eyed monsters about the place.

Whatever, it's all good fun. Cricket is a demanding mistress. She wants everything but promises absolutely nothing in return, and gives that more often than not.

But we persevere because when the precious moments do come, the fairy tales, the moments of schadenfreude and so on, they are brilliant and then some.

Let's all do it again from mid-January, yes mid-January, not early January, the conditional cricketers, the plastic batters, have been at it again.

Let this be their last summer and the first of N&CCC's rollicking journey along the way to the next generation of glory days.

The Platypus

2 Votes BOBO; described his cricket ability as can't bat, can't bowl but it's my fielding that lets me down.

2 votes Jaik Micka; In discussion Australia day activities asked what the day was for.. informed that is the day we celebrate the English invasion, that ended the Aborigines happy peaceful existence.. Jaik then enquired are Aborigines those slightly brown fellows.

2 votes jaik again whilst playing golf at Torquay looked over Bass Strait and asked "is that where Tasmaina used to be?" yes mate it is now located just off the coast of Uruagay.

1 Vote Bobo; convinced wife cricket strts at midday and finishes at 4am and is compulsory to come home blind drunk.

3 Votes Paul Sheahan's daughter after seeing a sign that read "Christmas Trees 600 metres" said " What would you do with a 600 metre tree.." Decorate it of course

2 Votes Donna Sheahan continually told Hayden Clarke no she is my daughter not my sister.. Donna do you think Hayden may have been winding you up.

3 Votes Jimmy Bottomley "Why would Warrick call his CD Dancing with Sow Crates?" that's socrtes Jimmy old greek bloke, wrote a bit of philospy in his time.

2 votes Warrick wearing a Balinese village on his head for sun protection.

2 votes Frank Tuskes "how do you eat pineapple and rock melon with the skin on, Daniela usually gives it to me with ice cream" Another sterling example of Grammar toughness!!!

2 votes Steff Shaw's overseas jaunt ends in a military coup in her hotel room complete with a tank in the lobby (for those of you who know Steff well there are no mixed metaphors in this paragraph)

3 votes Tom Hawkins not only manages to lock his car keys in the boot of cam Russell's car but cams as well along with Cam's spare set and mobile phone. Luckily a nice RACV man came to the rescue just in time for Tom to get a lovely (NOT) call from his nearest and dearest. A sheepish Tom departed soon after the day's [proceedings had ended.

2 Votes Luke" Atherton" Sharry when receiving applauds for this half century told knackers " The James Blunts are two runs wrong I am 52" Chin Up Luke your luck will change.

2 Votes Daniela Tuskes informed that pessie had made 231 asked "is that good?" It appears cricket knowledge runs deep at Castle Tuskes.

2 Votes Patch; whilst watching a linger parade on TV " There is Doogie Howser" forget about the ½ naked chicks Patchy.. and it has been well documented that Doggie Howser is gay not that there is anything wrong with that.

2 Votes Brett "toss em up Frankie Chine" Bentley should be a professional dart thrower

2 Votes battler after bragging to Lucas have caught 16 catches in a row not 10 seconds later dropped a soda.

2 votes Cougar, "They were fixing the mirrors at the gym last night- I got through my work out in half the time"

1 vote Big jess; two week suspension from indoor soccer after he tried to hit a girl.

3 Votes Patch after being bowled for a duck stated the short boundaries were to blame.

2 Votes Big Jesse CRICKET WHITES? I think not, not after he washed them with blue bed sheets.

2 Votes Stinka Whiteside 12 catches and 1 missed stumping in the one innings,

1 vote Stinka Whiteside making excuses for dropping catches before the ball hit his gloves, But as whitey says it's easier to catch without gloves on.

2 Votes Marcel "Stewie Leigh just said something sensible."

1 Vote Marcel wearing Shona's footwear at home is one thing but in public give us a break, what next her underwear?

2 Votes Cougar and the art of unreadiness took an hour to pad up, and this was only shorten as Warrick threw his pads onto the oval and told him to pad up on way to the pitch.

3 Votes BJ bowled 29 overs after doing a hamstring.

2 Votes Knackers worst reading of scorecards ever.

2 Votes Hoss for continually interrupting and dragging out the tiresome event.

2 Votes and a debut in the platypus Anthony "the esky" Wilson, so much for peace and good will on earth got king hit at carols by candlelight.

2 votes Greeny after ordering Pizza's late Saturday night proceed to drop the family sized chicken offering face up onto the new carpet at the clubrooms.

Honour roll 708 Win/Loss ratio



	Played	won	lost	drawn	Ladder position
First XI	8	2	5#	1	12 th of 14
Second XI	8	2	6#	-	14 th of 14
Third XI	8	5	3	-	3rd of 14
Fourth XI	8	6	2	-	2nd of 14
Fifth XI	6	2	4	-	6 th of 9
Sixth XI	8	3	5	-	8 th of 10
TOTAL	46	20	25		32 club championship points

43.48% won 54.35% lost #lost outright

Century (3)

Paul Sheahan 112 not out in the 4ths versus North Geelong round 3
Steve Lewis 124 ret hurt in the 4ths versus Bell Post Hill round 8
Jamie Pescott 231 in the 4ths versus Bell Post Hill round 8

5 or more wickets in an inning (3)

Dave Boyanton 5/39 in the 1sts versus North Geelong round 3
Dev Royce 5/26 in the 3rds versus Newcomb round 6
Scott Mullen 5/40 in the 1sts versus Bell Post Hill round 8

Partnerships

106 runs for the 1st wicket by Frank Tuskes (51) & Andrew Green (56) versus Geelong West 4ths on 13/10/07.
 110 runs for the 1st wicket by Russell Mitchell (59) & Sam Clark (48) versus Grovedale 2nds on 10/11/07.
 124 runs for the 3rd wicket by Matt Suvoltos (87) & Jimmy Bottomley (58) versus Grovedale 3rds on 10/11/07.
 236 runs for the 4th wicket by Steve Lewis (124rh) & Jamie Pescott (231) versus Bell Post Hill 4ths on 8/12/07 – **new record 4ths partnership.**
 96 runs for the 10th wicket by Neville Crane (62) & Dean Turnley (28no) versus Bell Post Hill 6ths on 8/12/07 – **new record 6ths partnership.**

Milestones

Paul Sheahan 100th match in round 1
Matt Suvoltos 150th match in round 3
Warwick Hadfield 200th wicket in round 4
Anthony Devlin 300th match in round 5

Frank Tuskes 100th match in round 5
Luke Sharry 100th match in round 5
Luke Sharry 100th wicket in round 7

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.
 The 4th XI set a new record innings score of 6/477 against Bell Post Hill in round 8 – 2nd highest team score in Club's history.
Jamie Pescott's 231 against Bell Post Hill in round 8 was a record 4th XI individual score and second highest Club individual score.

The Pair

Jackson Davis versus Grovedale 2nds in round 4, October/November 2007
 Nick Richardson versus Grovedale 1sts in round 5, November 2007.
 Grant Whiteside versus Grovedale 2nds in round 5, November 2007.



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Two Blue Scoreboard 708 round 8

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



FIRSTS defeated Bell Post Hill at Myer Reserve

RESULT – won by 14 runs
Umpire – C Kent

Newtown & Chilwell 160

Tim Clark	b Kiddle	15
Yves Roussety	lbw Kiddle	13
Jaik Mickleburgh	c McIlvenny b Sells	32
Adam Lavars	b Foord	7
Sam Eason	st McIlvenny b Stacey	6
Corey Mathieson	lbw Kiddle	25
Jai Sheahan	st McIlvenny b Stacey	7
Nick Richardson	b Foord	22
Scott Mullen	c Bott b Kiddle	11
Dave Boyanton	lbw Kiddle	0
Jackson Davis	not out	0
	Extras	22

76.4 overs **TOTAL all out 160**

FOW: 28, 33, 48, 74, 102, 120, 125, 155, 160, 160.

Bowling: M Lymer 11/0/0/32, D Kiddle

22.2.10/5/22, A Foord 11/5/2/17, M Shiells

5/1/0/9, B Stacey 12.2/2/2/24, T Sells 15/2/1/38.

Bell Post Hill 146

H Bush	c Mathieson b Mickleburgh	36
L McIlvenny	c Clark b Mullen	1
T Bott	c Mathieson b Mullen	4
B Stacey	c Mathieson b Mullen	1
T Sells	c Lavars b Mullen	11
D Kiddle	c Boyanton b Mickleburgh	18
A Moore	c Mickleburgh b Clark	6
M Reid	c Richardson b Mullen	36
M Lymer	c Richardson b Mickleburgh	3
A Foord	b Boyanton	0
M Shiells	not out	8
	Extras	22

62 overs **TOTAL all out 146**

FOW: 7, 21, 24, 54, 76, 87, 93, 101, 106, 146.

Bowling: Scott Mullen 22/7/5/40

Dave Boyanton 9/1/1/13

Jackson Davis 9/2/0/31

Sam Eason 6/1/0/18

Jai Sheahan 3/1/0/5

Jaik Mickleburgh 9/3/3/12

Tim Clark 4/0/1/13

SECONDS lost to Bell Post Hill at Myer Reserve

RESULT – lost by 88 runs
Umpire – J McGillivray

Bell Post Hill 8/214

Bowling: Matt Jackson	12/0/1/47
Lucas Friend	10/1/0/29
Damian O'Loughlin	11/4/0/16
Dev Royce	12/4/2/22
Brad Petter	10/4/1/39
Jordie Lewis	7.4/2/2/22
Matt Suvoltos	4/0/2/19
Extras	21

66.4 overs **TOTAL 8 (dec) for 214**

FOW: 50, 71, 116, 119, 151, 191, 202, 214.

Newtown & Chilwell 126

Russell Mitchell	1
Lucas Friend	2
Andy Garrigan	17
Brad Petter	14
Matt Suvoltos	13
Rhys Bennett	12
Damian O'Loughlin	15
Jordie Lewis	10
Dev Royce	7
Chris Hadfield	0
Matt Jackson	not out 0
Extras	35

61.5 overs **TOTAL all out 126**

FOW: 6, 6, 55, 55, 84, 90, 111, 121, 121, 126.

THIRDS defeated Bell Post Hill at Myer Reserve

RESULT – won by 213 runs

Newtown & Chilwell 8/310

Ian Hastie	65
Luke Wierzbowski	8
Adam O'Connor	44
Luke Sharry	89
Paul Sheahan	5
Col Cunliffe	17
Matt Treloar	33
Grant Whiteside	9
Nick Boyanton	not out 0
Extras	40

75 overs **TOTAL 8 for 310**

FOW: 21, 110, 159, 165, 218, 285, 305, 310.

Bell Post Hill 97

Matt Treloar	15/5/4/34
Nick Boyanton	13/2/1/21
Terry Hickey	7/2/0/9
Jacob Simonsen	5/2/2/13
Luke Sharry	5/0/2/13
Extras	11

46 overs **TOTAL all out 97**

FOW: 7, 28, 46, 63, 65, 75, 75, 76, 97, 97.

Newtown & Chilwell Second innings 0/28

Ian Hastie	not out 21
Nick Boyanton	not out 5
Extras	2
14 overs TOTAL	none for 28

FOURTHS defeated Bell Post Hill on Shaw Oval

RESULT – won by 309 runs

Newtown & Chilwell 6/477

Cam Russell	20
Andrew Green	8
Steve Lewis	retired hurt 124
	17 fours, 2 sixes
Tom Nice	0
Jamie Pescott	231
	24 fours, 15 sixes
Scott Sanderson	19
Tom Hawkins	28
Anthony Wilson	not out 5
Frank Tuskes	not out 14
Extras	28

75 overs **TOTAL 6 for 477**

FOW: 12, 34, 37, 273, 417, 454, 456.

New record innings score of 6/477 by the 4th XI – 2nd highest team score in Club's history.

Jamie Pescott's 231 a record 4th XI individual score and second highest individual score.

236 run 4th wicket partnership a new record for the 4th XI.

Bell Post Hill 168

Anthony Wilson	11/4/2/18
Scott Sanderson	12/3/1/49
Jamie Pescott	7/4/1/7
Brett Loats	14/1/2/59
Brett Bentley	6/2/1/9
Cam Russell	1/0/0/3
Frank Tuskes	3/0/0/10
Tom Hawkins	5/0/1/11
Extras	21

59overs **TOTAL 168**

FOW: 29, 48, 72, 85, 85, 97, 110, 169, 169.





Jamie Pescott (231) and Steve Lewis (124 retired hurt) set a new record partnership for the 4th XI against Bell Post Hill of 236 runs for the fourth wicket on 8/12/07.



The victorious Fourth XI which set a new record innings score of 6/477 in the Fourths. The second highest score in the Club's history.

FIFTHS

lost to East Belmont at Oberon High School

RESULT – lost by 189 runs

East Belmont 6/370

Bowling: James Hadfield	11/2/1/51
Zac Stokes	8/0/1/45
Adam Patching	5/0/0/31
Ben Jackson	28/4/4/120
Warwick Hadfield	13/0/0/54
Tom Bates	5/0/0/37
Extras	38
70 overs TOTAL	6 for 370
FOW:	41, 135, 227, 236, 340, 342.

Newtown & Chilwell 181

Anthony Devlin	19
Stuart Day	26
Jesse Thomas	9
Tom Bates	0
Adam Patching	0
Phil Morgan	54
James Hadfield	7
Ben Jackson	11
James Purcell	15
Zac Stokes	19
Warwick Hadfield	not out 3
Extras	18
62 overs TOTAL	all out 181
FOW:	36, 47, 58, 60, 128, 133, 149, 158, 181.

SIXTHS

lost to Bell Post Hill at Eastern Park round 8

RESULT – lost by 104 runs

Bell Post Hill were a unique opponent, in more ways than one, our bowling attack was put to the sword, perhaps a lesson in cricketing night mare could best describe the carnage. They were on target for around 350 but we managed to reign them in slightly to see the total 287 at the end of the allocated 40 overs.

The best of our bowlers was David Boyle who finished with 3 wickets late in the innings. The remainder will use it to build strength in times of trouble.

The run chase was a similar disaster saw us plummet to 9 for 86 in the 17th over, but Craney and Dean salvaged the afternoon with a spirited partnership that at least made the visitors' bowl the 40th over. Neville showed his partner, 47 years his junior, just what was required leading them to a club record 10th wicket partnership, for the Sixth grade of 96 runs. The partnership was only broken as Nev attempted to reach triple figures for the pair. Craney just surpassed his age with runs and Dean was a diligent assistant with

28 not out. As the sun set on a unique afternoon at Eastern Park, the Hillbillies took their Eskies, AC/DC music, bourbons, beers, bodies & blokes home, just a little later than they had earlier planned.

Bell Post Hill 7/287

Bowling: Jamie Harrison	6/0/0/49
Andy Bishop	6/0/2/28
Alex Carr	5/1/0/39
David Boyle	3/0/3/23
Patrick Eastman	3/0/0/22
Cam Bishop	6/0/1/35
Dean Turnley	3/0/0/36
Tim Simpson	6/0/1/36
Jack Thackeray	2/0/0/10
Extras	13
40 overs TOTAL	7 for 287
FOW:	40, 79, 104, 72, 240, 268, 268.

Newtown & Chilwell 183

Mark Turnley	20
James Blight	1
David Boyle	4
Alex Carr	25
Cam Bishop	10
Andy Bishop	1
Tim Simpson	2
Dean Turnley	not out 28
Patrick Eastman	6
Jamie Harrison	0
Neville Crane	62
Extras	14
39.5 overs TOTAL	all out 183
FOW:	23, 23, 36, 61, 62, 66, 81, 87, 87, 183.

Record last wicket 6th XI partnership of 96 by N Crane and D Turnley

SIXTHS

defeated Grovedale at Eastern Park round 9

RESULT – won by 15 runs

Grovedale were our last opponent before the 5 week break. Josh Carr joined his brother Alex for his first senior game. Darcy Del Rio was a welcome addition to the team after his 4th term stint overseas. Batting first Grovedale was cautious as Jamie Harrison and Andy Bish gave them nothing to hit. The carnage and dropped catches of last week were a distant nightmare we were all glad to be free of. Jamie got the respect he deserved bowling a difficult line, taking 2 early wickets, Bish had another and the visitors were struggling. Campbell and Darcy bowled 4 economical overs each. Dave Boyle continued on from last week with our 4th victim. The Carr brothers celebrated as they both claimed their first senior wicket. Dean was sent over the fence twice but bowled nicely to also pick himself up a wicket. The target of 131 was very achievable, but once again we found ourselves in the mire at 5 for 50 in the thirteenth over. Darcy

had been in since the first, but was still short of match play. Joined by fellow 15 year old Dean they set about righting the ship. The boys started cautiously but soon combined beautifully to build a match winning partnership. Their confidence and running between the wickets was excellent as they forged an unbroken match winning partnership. Darcy got right back to business achieving 54 not out as Dean continued to improve with a pb of 30 not out.

3 wins in our last 5 gives us a real positive as we break for Christmas/New year.

Have a safe a happy festive season. Turtle.

Grovedale 8/131

Bowling: Jamie Harrison	8/2/2/18
Andy Bishop	8/0/2/15
Alex Carr	3/0/1/22
Cam Bishop	4/1/0/16
Darcy Delrio	4/2/0/7
Dean Turnley	7/1/1/22
Josh Carr	2/0/1/6
David Boyle	4/0/1/14
Extras	20
40 overs TOTAL	8 for 131
FOW:	8, 22, 39, 75, 75, 117, 128, 130.

Newtown & Chilwell 5/146

Mark Turnley	28
Tony Marinelli	0
Darcy Delrio	not out 54
Alex Carr	0
Cam Bishop	5
Andy Bishop	2
Dean Turnley	not out 30
David Boyle	dnb
Jamie Harrison	dnb
Neville Crane	dnb
Josh Carr	dnb
Extras	27
32 overs TOTAL	5 for 146
FOW:	6, 37, 37, 47, 50.

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click on news and results, and then senior teams.

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Batting

Steven LEWIS	316 @ 158
Jamie PESCOTT	252 @ 63
Paul SHEAHAN	239 @ 47.8
Damien O'LOUGHLIN	210 @ 23.33
Matt SUVOLTOS	203 @ 25.38
Ian HASTIE	198 @ 33
Luke SHARRY	182 @ 22.75
Brett GOGGIN	180 @ 36
Russell MITCHELL	176 @ 25.14
Jaik MICKLEBURGH	152 @ 19

Bowling

Scott MULLEN	20 @ 16.7
Devon ROYCE	17 @ 10.06
Jackson DAVIS	12 @ 16.25
Ben JACKSON	12 @ 20
Warwick HADFIELD	11 @ 15.45
David BOYANTON	11 @ 21.09
Brad PETTER	11 @ 22.18
Jaik MICKLEBURGH	11 @ 22.91
Terry HICKEY	10 @ 10.7
Matt TRELOAR	10 @ 11.6
Nick BOYANTON	10 @ 14.6
Andrew BISHOP	10 @ 16.3
Darren FLEET	10 @ 25.9

Catches

Grant WHITESIDE	15
Corey MATHIESON	10
Steven LEWIS	6
Darren FLEET	4
Ian HASTIE	4
Frank TUSKES	4
Luke WIERZBOWSKI	4
Jorden LEWIS	4
Nick RICHARDSON	4
Terry HICKEY	4
Jaik MICKLEBURGH	4
Luke SHARRY	4

Stumpings

Chris HADFIELD	5
Steven LEWIS	5
James BOTTOMLEY	2
Patrick EASTMAN	1

Player of the Season

Steven LEWIS	476
Scott MULLEN	451
Jaik MICKLEBURGH	387
Devon ROYCE	375
Luke SHARRY	352
Warwick HADFIELD	346
Jamie PESCOTT	337
Damien O'LOUGHLIN	315
Paul SHEAHAN	309
Darren FLEET	281

ROCK AND ROLL ALONG TO TRAINING IN JANUARY

Training resumes on Elvis's birthday, January 8th, for those who don't know their rock and roll trivia, at 5.30pm.

Of course, if anyone wants to have a private net beforehand, they are more than welcome.

Junior Scores round 6

N&CCC Chisholm 7/138 defeated Highton 74

Hugo bronzing himself at Noosa and Hatchy in bed chundering meant we looked like being 1 short .A late night phone call to Big Jaffas and Little Jaffas (Tom Jeffries) was more than happy to fill the void.

We somehow managed to lose our 5TH consecutive toss and found ourselves in the field at McDonald Reserve No 1--yes that's correct, the number 1 oval-Highton had heard of our prowess on the hard wickets and thought they could throw us off our game by making us play on turf. Ha--little did they know we cut our teeth on this stuff at school.

Jamie and Eddy opened up and were very efficient in their opening 5 over spells--both claimed a wicket and the Highton Heat were 2/25 after 10 overs.

George Chis, Josh Carr, Tom Chis and Jaffas all bowled very economically and kept the heaters on a tight rein.

Tommy G chimed in at the end to claim 3 tail enders with his mixture of deliveries. He even got the wrongun going and impressed the opposition coach that much that he said to me--"wow did you see that --it went the other way. When I told him that was what a wrongun was meant to do-he couldn't quite grasp that an u 15 kid could bowl one as well.

74 was the target from 30 overs. The Heat tried an old Kiwi trick on us and opened the bowling with a spinner. When Gus knicked one off the very same bowler in the 4th over we were 1/15 and the boys from south of the river had won a small battle. Bernie Chomers and George Chis then added 27 for the 2nd wicket before Chomers missed one and was bowled for

7. At 2/42 in the 13th over we were in a good position.

George had reached 32 and needed to face 1 ball before he retired but Jamie Harrison's 3rd cousin had other ideas and knocked his off stump back for a well made 32.

Eddy the Rat and Tommy Gee saw us safely over the line with the rat playing yet another controlled innings--a big 6 over mid wicket the highlight of the day. Eddy retired on 22 to give the other guys a bat. Tommy G entertained the gathering crowd as he raced to 30 and retirement.

Ted McD, Jamie H, Carry and Camo didn't get a chance to settle and wasted their wickets in pursuit of quick runs. The Tom brothers-Jeffries 8 not out and Chis 1 not out saw out the remaining few balls and it was all over on 7/138--a comprehensive victory to the Two Blues from the right side of the river.

George Chisholm	32	5/0/0/8
Angus Johnstone	8	1/0/0/2
Bernie Chomley	7	
Eddy Ratcliffe	22*	5/0/1/18
1 run out		
Tom Goodear	30*	2/0/3/6
2 catches		
Ted McDonald	0	
Tom Jeffries	8*	3/1/2/11
Jamie Harrison	10	5/1/1/6
Josh Carr	2	5/0/1/12
George Cameron	7	W/K
Tom Chisholm	1*	4/0/1/8

An encouraging first half of the season sees us well placed to play finals cricket. We now need to enjoy the break, have a great festive season with family and friends and come back refreshed for the final 3 games leading into the finals.

See you all on Sunday Feb the 2nd when we play Nth Geelong at Queens Park in the last 1 dayer of the season--weather permitting.

Enjoy the break. HAVE FUN.

All Saturday morning games abandoned due to rain.



Junior Scores round 5

Under 17

N&CCC Just 7/171 lost to North Geelong

J. Andrews	61	dnb
C. Bishop	2	0/31
A.Carr	dnb	0/19
J.Clonan	4	dnb
S. Connelly	12	1/19
J. Grabowski	52	0/21
J. Lewis	0	1/39 1 catch
J. Sheahan	13 no	0/31
T. Simpson	7	0/15
M. Stokes	dnb	dnb
D. Turnley	2 no	dnb

The big match up for the season so far as the Newtown U17s boys met the North Geelong boys at home. We won the toss and elected to bat and the inform Jarrod Andrews kept up his magnificent start to the season with a big partnership with Josh Grabowski. Josh finished with 52 and Jarrod with 61. Some late wickets slowed the run rate but we finished with a very healthy 7/171. Fairly confident we could defend the target we claimed and early wicket and were right on top. Some brilliant batting from the Szponar boys had us headed towards yet another tight finish. Coming down to the last over North needed 11 to win and some classy batting saw them across the line in a thrilling victory. - Tim Simpson

N&CCC Crane 3/89 J Smith 35 not out defeated Thomson 38 J Smith 3/7

Under 15

N&CCC Chisholm 7/186 James Carr 32, Eddie Ratcliffe 32 not out, George Cameron 30 not out, defeated Lara 7/125

Another home game and another lost toss-this time by stand in skipper Gus, and we were banished to the field. Whereas bowling and fielding have been our strength of recent times today we struggled to gain any momentum and really failed to put pressure on the Lara batters. Whilst unable to gain an early breakthrough our enthusiasm was still evident as we never stopped encouraging the bowlers and supporting the fieldsmen. Dropped catches and a bit of sloppy ground work saw the Lara boys progress to 0/54 after 15 overs.

The possibility of a big run chase was looming large but yet again we rallied and after a breakthrough wicket from Eddy the Rat and a couple of brilliant throws from Josh Carr and Hugo resulted in run outs we were once again on top.

We closed out the 30 overs and kept them to a reasonable score for us to chase down--7/125. Once again no stand out bowlers with wickets shared between Jamie H, Hugo, Eddy and Tommy G. Gus and stand in opener Tommy Chis got us off to a great start and when Tom was out in the 6th over we were 1/33 and on our way. Gus again struck the loose ball hard and sped to 24 before one too many ambitious drives saw him holeout on his bogey score.

Josh Carr coming in at number 3 showed his versatility with the bat and pounded out a quick fire 32. Eddy, another smooth 32 not out, Bernie Chomers, a well compiled 21, Ginger Megs Cammo, the usual classy 30 not out with a huge 6 over mid wicket and the victory was ours.

Teddy McD, Hatchy and Hugo all had a hit to finish off the overs and we compiled 7/186 from our 30 overs.

From what was looking like a dirty day early turned into another workman like victory with the usual candidates coming to the fore when needed.

Gus Johnstone	24	1 catch
Tom Chisholm	2	5/0/0/27
Josh Carr	32	2/1/0/9 1 run out
Eddy Ratcliffe	32*	5/1/1/11
Jamie Harrison	2	5/0/2/25
Bernie Chomley	21	
George Cameron	30*	2 catches
Ted McDonald	3	
Damien Hatch	12*	3/0/0/11
Hugo Steinfort	14	5/0/1/11
		1 catch, 1 run out.
Tom Goodear	dnb	5/0/1/29

Last game before Chrissy versus Highton at McDonald Reserve no 2 Sunday at 8.10 am

N&CCC Barnes 4/169 defeated Leopold 8/115 at Memorial Park #2

Coming off a close loss the boys were very keen to show their true form this week. In absolutely perfect conditions on a still and pleasant Saturday morning we finally managed to win the toss, Patrick's decision to bowl first vindicated early on with a wicket each to Jack and Ned in the third and fourth overs. First change bowler Danny Carragher put us further on top, knocking out the off stump twice in consecutive balls, he and big Alex soon adding another one each to have the home team six down for not much more than 50 after 16 overs. The tail wagged a bit before Isaac, bowling full and at off stump as per instructions, grabbed a couple of well deserved scalps in the final overs, the final target of 116 similar to that of the previous week.

As is always the case in any batting effort, sensible batting at the top of the order was the key. To their credit openers Josh and Nick stuck to the plan well against some well directed bowling and although the first 10 overs only brought us 24 runs the platform had been set (last week we were 6/46 at the same time and

all but out of the game). In contrast the next 10 overs saw 60+ runs added as Nick upped the tempo with a few nice leg side shots in a well crafted innings of 24, the opening partnership of 58 just what was needed. Josh was called in after 18 overs, also with 24 against his name, leaving Danny, Jack and Patrick to finish things off in the happy hour, Patrick blasting 3 successive leg side sixes in his quick fire innings of 41 as we took the score to an impressive looking tally of 4/169 at the finish.

Nick Grabowski	24		
Josh Barnes	24ret		
Danny Carragher	34ret	3/8	
	1 catch		
Jack Thackeray	14	1/7	
Patrick Eastman	41ret	0/16	
Alex McPherson	0	1/18	
		2 catches	
Andrew Wilson	1no		
Blake Keating	2	0/22	
Lachlan Simpson	2no		
Harry Andrews	dnb		
Ned Clonan	dnb	1/16	1 catch
Andrew Henderson	dnb	0/19	
Isaac Cato	dnb	2/1	

An excellent morning of junior cricket with nearly to 300 runs scored and 12 wickets taken, with all the boys enjoying themselves.

N&CCC Taylor

Under 13

N&CCC Pearce 5/155 Charlie Felton 27 not out, Zac Sheahan 21 not out, D Robertson 17 not out defeated Grovedale Van Halen 8/105 M Payne 2/2, Harry Kershaw 2/5

N&CCC Clark 9/98 lost Drysdale Hawks 9/107

Under 11

N&CCC Merriman 11/139 M Maishman 24, H Shannon 17, D Harezon 15 lost to Highton Allen 6/188





Kumar Sangakkara

The crafting of a purple patch

Practice makes perfect

December 7, 2007

The first Test at Kandy was a special match. Once we heard Sanath Jayasuriya was retiring, it was always going to be an emotional occasion. Also, Muttiah Muralitharan reached 709 wickets, and Chaminda Vaas was playing his 100th Test. There was fantastic spirit in the team, and we had a lot to play for. The match lived up to the occasion. We came back from 45 for 4, came out of a 93-run deficit, and won it at the end, which was just fantastic.

After the match, the media has been asking me a lot of questions about my batting and run-scoring. The scores would say that I am batting much better than I have ever done before, but it hasn't been a sudden change - it has been a gradual build-up.

My strength in batting has always been that I work hard at practice. Under Tom Moody and Trevor Penney, and with John Dyson and Shane Duff before them, I managed to get a good understanding of what my strengths were, and how I could get better. Moody and Penney always pushed us out of our comfort zone, and that made me want to raise my game. Penney would talk to me about practising every single shot I could possibly play so that I could use them in a game and have options. Everything from a forward defensive to a lofted drive to a sweep to a reverse sweep was practised in the years leading up to this patch.

I have talked to people on how to build an innings; we had a psychologist, Sandy Gordon, and sometimes a few insights here and there from people like that make you understand what you can get better at.

My father has always been behind me. He has coached me since I was small. Whenever we have a chat, he has kept me grounded and focused. It has always been a case of going to him if anything bothers me, or having a chat with the coaches who have seen me since I was 13.

When I go in to bat, I try to keep things simple. I try and watch the ball and I try and make sure I am balanced. Those are the two most important things for me. Everything else I have usually covered through practice.

Building my innings starts with the first run, I try and get off the mark any which way I can. It really doesn't matter if it is an edge or a convincing stroke as long as I score my first runs.

The initial part of the innings depends upon the conditions, too: in Sri Lanka and Australia I'd be attacking early on because the wickets are batting-friendly. I like to get in a position where I am mentally comfortable and in control. I don't look at the scoreboard and I don't count my runs.

Batting with the tail is an important aspect of scoring big. The hundreds in [Wellington](#) and [Hobart](#) were big ones and came while batting with the tail. How you bat in those circumstances depends on the situation. If you have two or three wickets in hand, you may want to shield the tailender for a while, but once you have confidence in him, you bat like you would with a normal batsman. But if you are trying to save a Test, or the conditions are too bowler-friendly, you may want to farm the strike. More often than not, fielding sides try too hard to finish the innings off. That plays into the batsman's hand - he is allowed to just cruise along when the bowlers are too focused on the tailenders.



Magic wand: Sangakkara has scored 921 runs this year, at an average of over 184 © Getty Images

Not having to keep wicket has contributed to my run-making, too. These days I am not so tired when I go into bat; my mind and body are fresh. Also, there is pressure on me to do well with the bat because that's my only discipline: I have always got to deliver the runs. That pressure has worked positively.

When I started off, I was neither a complete wicketkeeper nor a batsman. I probably favoured my batting more than my wicketkeeping. Wicketkeeping has been a bit of a tough job for me, but one I have really enjoyed. Thanks to guys like Ian Healy and Duff, who worked hard on my wicketkeeping, I have managed to bring my keeping up to acceptable standards in international cricket. But it has been a long, tough learning curve for me in both disciplines.

As far as batting goes, I know I definitely need to improve. When you look at Ricky Ponting, Matthew Hayden, Jacques Kallis, Sachin Tendulkar and Rahul Dravid, they have set the standards in terms of consistently churning out runs. It leaves everyone a message that they have to catch up. I have a long way to go before I get anywhere close to these guys.

But having scored centuries in New Zealand and Australia is special because if you are a batsman, you have to score runs anywhere in the world. To go out of your comfort zone, away from your home ground, and to deliver is what every batsman wants.

The statistics, in terms of the number of runs and number of centuries, are important, but probably only when you are leaving the game. That's when you can look back and say, "Well, I scored 20 or 30 hundreds." Anyone who has scored over 20 hundreds is a very good Test batsman; but if you get to 30 and above, you're better than good.

Contrary to popular belief, the kind of numbers I have put up over the last two seasons haven't really put any extra pressure on me. I like spending time in the middle - myself against the ball. Whatever people say and expect doesn't matter as long as you know you're going about it right.

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WHAT ARE THE CHANCES?????

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The Cougar, The Wiz and The Wardrobe (with apologies to C.S. Lewis)

The day dawn sunny with a hint of heat sunscreen would be needed, the much loved Fifts skipper arrives at cricket wearing shorts over the top of his skins. Warrick loses the toss and hence the 5ths take to the field. The last hectic 10 minutes before the game starts are made even more hectic due to the fact the Wiz had forgotten his pants, a solution was needed. A hastily made phone call to the castle and Hadfield, for a pants delivery. In the meantime Warrick had several other less than brilliant ideas. Field in his skins and take the chance of being called Nureyev the rest of his life. This prompted the cougar to state "Warrick you look like you have 20cents worth the mixed lollies in your pants" As we all know the cougar practices the act of self enlargeness, so probably a fairer assessment would have been unlikely. The next option was to turn a pair of parachute tracksuit inside so the white lining would act as

whites, With much mirthful determination Warrick proceeds and ends up looking like he is wearing a mickey mouse mask over his lower trunk. The elders (Specs, Hoss, Morgo and Patch) are looking to the heavans for guidance as Warrick's madness seems to have taken hold he is convinced this solution will be appropriate as he is wearing is much loved cap and that's all the matters. Teamsheets to be filled out, a new pill to be located, bowlers to warm up and Warrick directing all looking like a cartoonist impression of a deranged cricketing prophet. Seconds before the commencement of play a messenger from the gods arrives in a white BMW the maid Hadfield has delivered strides, in scenes reminiscent of a pagan blood festival Warrick disrobes tracksuit pants, once again showing his skins to the world then dons his whites proper.

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