

NORTH BLACKBURN METHODIST CRICKET CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT

1985/86



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G. Clark , S. Hackett , M. Jansen .

TEAMS FOR 1985/86 ;

" B1 " GRADE	Won 6	Lost 4	Drew 1	Position - 5 th
" C1 " GRADE	Won 1	Lost 9	Drew 1	Position - 11 th
" D2 " GRADE	Won 11	Lost 1	-	Position - 1 st .

SECRETARYS REPORT

The 1985/86 season saw the North Blackburn Methodist Cricket Club field just 3 teams - all senior sides . Yes , finally , we managed to field a 3rds team . After much hard work in the recruiting department , we managed to pick up several new players to our club .

Such great names such as Grant Cameron ,Derek Patterson , Paul Jones , John Waite, Guy Wilson-Browne ,John" Baggot" Nicholson, John Tompkins , and last but by no means least, the brilliant Greg Barnes , who after at last seeing the light and leaving Kerrimuir . The transfer fee is to remain undisclosed .

The first X1 had an excellent year - particularly with the bat . there were several highlights ,but none outshone our brilliant 470 against Trinity .Glenn Newnham made his debut in the first X1 this season , and Brew made a special guest appearance in one game . All in all a great effort by the side the team.

The seconds had a very poor seaso - winning only one game for the year . They had to struggle with only 8 or 9 players for the majority of the season . However all players gave 100% in the games and are to be commended on a gutsy performance against overwhelming odds . Congratulations also to Mike Jansen for a great effort as the Captain of the side in his debut year as skipper .

The thirds ,I am happy to say , won the premiership . They won all but two of their games for the season .Most of the players came up from the successful under 16's team of last year. Many players will be ready to play in the seconds next season ,and I am sure that they will be good enough to acquit themselves in the higher grade . Congratulations to Stewy Hackett and the boys for a well deserved premiership.

Unfortunately there was no junior teams in our club this season. The future of the club is in young players , so hopefully next year the senior members will make an effort to field at least one junior side .

In conclusion I would like to thank all players for a good effort during the season . Also thanks to my Mum & Dad for assisiting me in my job as secretary .I am sure that all team members enjoyed the season and nearly everyone gave the best of their ability in trying 100% in trying to win ,but at the same time not getting too serious and having lots of fun both on and off the field - something that is unique to the North Blackburn Methodist Cricket Club .

DAVID HANDS
(Hon. Secretary)

FIRST XI REPORT

Following our successful 1984/85 season the First XI embarked on a new season with high hopes. With only a couple of changes in personnel, and that extra year's experience under our belts, we could approach the 1985/86 season with confidence.

Our traditional first round loss did not deter us - nor need it detain us. A narrow victory over St.Silas was encouraging and the Round 3 massacre at Macleay Park even more so. The pleasure of rolling the Barnys by over 200 runs cannot be adequately described in words. The batting of Phillips and Clark was magnificent.

Deepdene at home resulted in another convincing victory as Handsy turned on another dazzling display with the ball. Neither should we ignore Polly's second innings ton. Entertaining but pointless.

Round 5 should have brought us another big win, but the notorious Melbourne weather intervened and Wizza's Wonders lived to fight another day. With Jimbo still in form and the skipper making a welcome RTF ton a total of over 300 was attained. When the rain set in St.Stephens were reeling at 4/32.

Our finals prospects suffered a minor setback in the following round as we let Summerhill well and truly off the hook. With 181 on the board and our opponents 8/99 we felt confident, but in the words of Shane Cooper (who will probably only ever be remembered for saying this)..... "Get a bag!"

The one-dayer against Richmond resulted in a tight finish but again the points went the wrong way. This despite some fine bowling from Chooka which caused Ronny Brown's Bogans to collapse from 1/78 to 8/89.

With three losses against our name we needed to steady ourselves and come home strongly if we were to make the finals. An excellent win over ladder leaders Balwyn seemed a good omen, and a percentage boosting victory at Frog Hollow certainly rekindled our enthusiasm. Thanks to Polly's monster innings and good contributions all round (except for Jim) we established all kinds of records with our mammoth 473. No thanks to the Trinity captain who failed to ring in the scores!

Wyclif at home was our biggest disappointment as we blew our chances of victory and a place in the semi-final with the rapid fall of our last 4 wickets. A win in the final round and some favourable results in other matches might have allowed us to sneak in to the four, but although we kept our end of the bargain Wizza let us down badly.

We didn't make it, but Round 11 against Doncaster produced a thrilling end to the season as we narrowly scraped home by a couple of runs as Doncaster's last batsman was run out from the final ball of the match. Amazing stuff!

The most pleasing aspect of the season was the marked improvement in our batting performances, but on the debit side our bowling was not always as inspired as it has been in recent seasons. Nor the fielding! Nevertheless, the development of a few of the younger players and the RTF of a couple of the older ones made it all seem worthwhile. Thanks to the team for their continued support and to Handsy for his helpful words of advice in times of crisis. I refuse to finish this report with the hackneyed phrase, "Maybe next year?"

Richard Stone (Capt)



D.W.D (Handsy) HANDS (VC) RHB RF

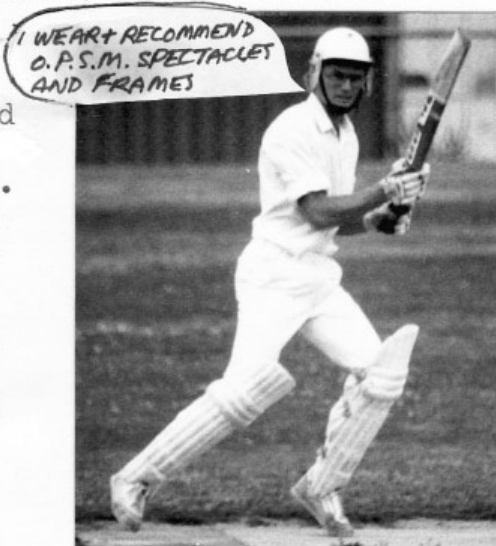
Although taking out the TC award yet again, Handsy did not achieve the level of success which he and the Club had anticipated. Ball control problems reduced the effectiveness of his bowling, but on his day Dave still menaced opposition batsmen. With the bat Handsy's season was the O.T.C.H.B.* as the familiar pattern of good start, early dismissal persisted. Probably the most encouraging aspect of Dave's season was a newfound ability to keep the dummy firmly in place - on the field at least!

FAVOURITE COMEDIAN: Benny Hill
 MOST ADMIRED FIELDSMAN: Ronny Brown

S. (Polly) POLLARD RHB RFM LSM

An extraordinary season from this extraordinary sportsman. Blessed with superb natural skills and a brain to match, Polly can both confound and delight his admirers in the space of a few balls. When he's good he's fantastic, but when he's bad he really is awful! At one point after Christmas Polly found himself in the unique position of being a favourite for both TC and TFC. Several excellent innings - notably a 179 and a 72x were balanced by a few piddlers. As a bowler Polly was an abject failure. His catching in the slips region was up to its usual high standard - but for one extremely vital chance.

FAVOURITE COMEDIAN: Elliot Goblet



G.R. (Clarky) CLARK LHB LF?

A season of mixed fortunes for this once slim, trim and superbly fit athlete. A changing lifestyle seemed to create motivational problems, whilst on field performances were hampered by a change in body shape. Greg's bowling in the early games lacked the nip and bite of recent seasons and he was relegated to the role of change bowler. Fortunately his ability to thump opposition bowlers was not affected and crowds were pleased on a number of occasions. However, he was clearly worried by Chookas rapid rise to success with the new ball, and to his credit, Greg engaged upon a strenuous program of physical activity under the close supervision of his private coach in an effort to shed excess calories. But it wasn't until he undertook an intensive 10 day course at Gloria Marshall's Gold Coast Clinic that we noticed any difference.

FAVOURITE FATTY: Broddy the Body
 MOST RESPECTED NEIGHBOUR: Eelsy





D. (Chooka, Goose) SENCEK

RHB RF

The big improver in 1985/86, Chooka relished the opportunity to use the new ball and his accurate, deceptively swift deliveries forced many an opposition batsman onto the defensive. 27 wickets at an average of 13 speaks for itself. If Chooka can maintain a reasonable brain cell count and produce the extra yard or two of pace of which he is capable, he will produce even better results in the future. As a batsman Chooka is a basher, and although he suffered his share of failures during the season, the sight of his eyes lighting up as he moved into a lofted drive provided more than adequate compensation.

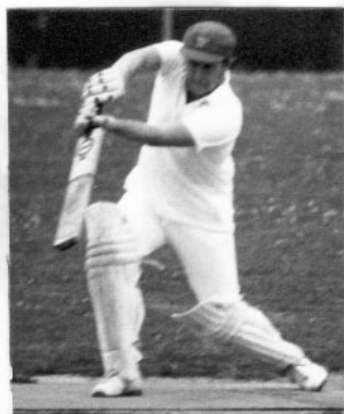
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Daryl Clark

D.M. (Ossie) OSWIN

RHB RM

Having been rubbished mercilessly by the world press last season, Ossie desperately needed to pull something from somewhere in 85/86. A hamstring was all he could manage until Round 9; then it happened. Yes, you guessed it....Ossie found touch! At first tentatively, then gradually growing in confidence Ossie moved into stride. The shots began to flow and the smile broadened. By the end of Round 11 Ossie was ready to take on the world! Not since the memorable day when the Big O hoiked the legendary Kingsley Webb over the air conditioner have we witnessed such awesome power from a member of the Oswin family.

SPORTING AMBITION: To score 200 runs in a season.



Dr.R.O. (Blakey) BLAKE

LHB RM ROS RLS etc.

Not one of the Doc's most spectacular seasons, but he continued to reveal glimpses of the form that has made him a household name in Gerbera Crt. A consistent contributor at the top of the order, Ron would regularly get a start but find his dreams of a big innings thwarted by inconsiderate opponents. A little gem of a knock at Frog Hollow revealed - albeit briefly - all of that old Blake magic. Shows potential as a leg spinner.

FAVOURITE MOVIE: "Cheaper by the Dozen"

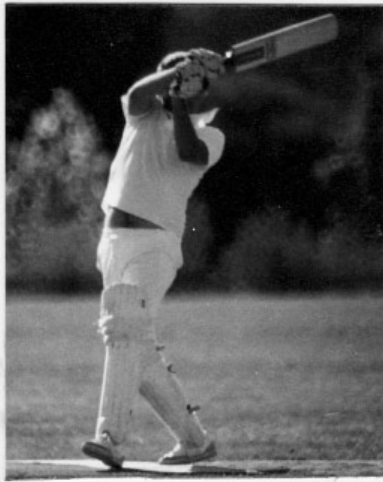
J. (Jimbo) PHILLIPS

RHB? WK ROS

The life of a wicketkeeper is not an easy one; when he's good everyone takes him for granted, when he's out of luck everyone gets on his back. Poor Jim copped his share of sledging during the season, but despite being catchless until round 6, it wasn't his keeping that drew the worst of the abuse - it was his batting, after excellent early form seemed to evaporate overnight. This may have been a side-effect of the shock which had set in after Kate finally popped the question. Nevertheless, Jimbo performed creditably in the TFC voting. He also succeeded in making Cleo's 'Ten Worst Groomed Men' list for the fourth year in a row. He also lost three combs and a brush in his hair.

MOST RESPECTED CRITIC: Gus Warren.





A. (Big Al, Booze Bus) PETROVIC RHB RM

Big Al consolidated his lower order batting berth in the Firsts and produced several sensible, controlled innings when the situation demanded. Unfortunately he also put in some shockers when the situation was even more desperate. This combined with a unique talent in the field of looking as though he is standing still whilst actually 'chasing' the ball ensured Big Al sufficient votes to take home the coveted TFC for 85/86. Alex's value as a treasurer is best measured in millilitres.

CAREER AMBITION: To become Managing director of Carlton & United, Swan Breweries or even Toothy.

R. (Rocket) COLDREY RHB

Promoted to the Firsts after a consistent season opening the batting in the Second XI, Rod acquitted himself well considering his limited experience. His best efforts with the bat came in difficult situations - after collapses or when facing the new ball. On these occasions Rocket showed good temperament and promising skills. His first catch (after a few practice efforts and some bruising) was warmly applauded. A ware tweat.

GREATEST INSPIRATION: Jim Phillips



G. (Grant) CAMERON RHB

Old Grammarian Grant Cameron was a welcome addition to the club this season, enriching our lives with his yarns, statistics, jokes, anecdotes and bullshit. You'll notice so far no mention of Grant's cricketing ability - this is not an oversight....what can you say about a man who has contributed a bare .039% of the team's seasonal aggregate? Not much except that if batting came as easily to Grant as talking he'd have outscored Polly two to one!

FAVOURITE EATING SPOT: Any McDonalds outlet.

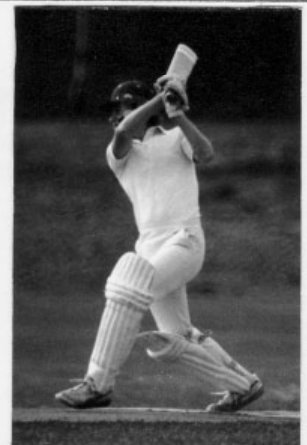
SECRET AMBITION: To pig out on junk food for 30 consecutive days. (And live to tell)

G. (Barnsey) BARNES RHB RM

Recruited from local rivals Kerrimuir, Barnsey joins an impressive list of ex-Muir's who have made Koonung Park their spiritual home. Given his chance initially in the Seconds, Greg soon established himself as a versatile batsman who can piddle and clout with equal ease. Despite a minor setback and a failed suicide bid, Barnsey impressed the selectors sufficiently to gain a promotion and he spent the final part of the season with us. A scintillating 68 against Trinity (5 sixers) and a fine spell of bowling under enormous pressure during the final round convinced us of Greg's talents.

FAVOURITE GROUND: Frog Hollow

BIGGEST THRILL IN CRICKET: Catching Dick in the 1984/85 Semi.





R.B. (Dick) STONE (c) RHB RLS (mainly wronguns)

As you can see, the skipper found it easier to smile this season. The knife wounds have healed and the runs are on the board....but you're only as good as your next innings. So let's hope its a big one!

SPORTING AMBITION: To see St.Kilda win 2 in a row.
(Games that is - not premierships!)

G. (Marty) NEWNHAM

LHB RM

Skipper of the successful 1984/85 Second XI team that took out a C Grade flag, Glen returned to the club during the season following a stint as Hector Crawford's personal sound effects adviser. Hiding in the kitchen saying 'Snap, Crackle & Pop' while Hector ate his porridge was a highpoint in Marty's life. Back in the real world, Glen established himself as a member of the Firsts after Christmas and revealed batting talents which will no doubt develop in years to come. As a mollydook Marty prefers the big hoik over mid wicket, but the sweep also has some appeal. A useful slips fieldsman and a fair consumer of the amber fluid.

FAVOURITE SOUND EFFECT: A letterbox exploding.



R. (Robby) WALSH RHB LM

Unfortunately for us Robby embarked on a life on the ocean wave, and his appearances this season were limited to guest spots. There is always a vacancy for this respected allrounder should he get seasick.

S. (Brew) HALL RHB

NBM & Wesley Old Boy Brew filled in for Blakey during round six and only dropped one catch.

D. (Danny) NOLAN ?

Danny nearly played a game but forgot to turn up.

SPECIAL THANKS to MR&MRS SENCEK and MR&MRS HANDS for their regular support.

* One That Could Have Been



OSSIE, CHOOKA, HANDSY, DICK,
MARTY, BIG AL

BARNESY, CLARKY, BLAKEY,
POLLY + JIMBO



THE HONEYWELL COMPUTER IN ACTION



BEHIND EVERY GREAT MAN....

YOUR NOT WRONG!



Thought bubble



"1" st X1 (B 1 GRADE) STATS .

	M	I	NO	HS	Agg	Ave.	O / M / R / W / Ave.	C	RO	Pts.
D. HANDS	11	11	1	58	245	24.5	140 / 7 / 468 / <u>30</u> / 15.6	4	1	118
S. POLLARD	11	12	2	<u>179</u>	<u>504</u>	<u>50.4</u>	34 / 2 / 150 / - / -	8	1	117
R. STONE	11	10	1	116	427	47.4	17 / 2 / 85 / 1 / 85	6	1	100
D. SENCEK	11	10	1	39	109	12.1	98 / 14 / 353 / 27 / <u>13.1</u>	4	-	83
G. CLARK	10	10	2	60	204	25.5	81 / 10 / 299 / 14 / 21.4	2	1	73
J. PHILLIPS	11	11	-	91	259	23.5	- / - / - / - / -	8	3	70
R. BLAKE	9	9	-	51	225	25	23 / - / 110 / 2 / 55	-	-	49
D. OSWIN	10	10	1	40x	187	20.7	1 / - / 6 / 1 / 6	2	-	43
A. PETROVIC	9	10	-	33	135	13.5	4 / 1 / 20 / - / -	5	-	37
G. BARNES	3	3	-	62	71	23.6	17 / 2 / 86 / 5 / 17.2	1	-	26
R. COLDREY	8	7	1	14	60	10	2 / - / 5 / - / -	3	1	19
G. NEWNHAM	4	4	-	30	80	20	- / - / - / - / -	1	1	19
R. WALSH	2	1	1	15x	15	-	10 / - / 46 / 5 / 9.2	1	1	13
G. CAMERON	5	4	3	1	1	1	1 / - / 3 / 1 / 3	3	-	8
M. WALSH	4	5	2	15x	22	7.3	2 / - / 7 / - / -	-	1	5
S. HALL	1	1	-	5	5	5	- / - / - / - / -	-	-	1

HANDY PARTNERSHIPS .

93	5th	CLARK / PHILLIPS	vs. St. Barnabas	Round 3
62	7th	SENCEK / PHILLIPS	vs. St. Barnabas	Round 3
80	2nd	STONE / HANDS	vs. Deepdene Utg.	Round 4
68	2nd	PETROVIC / POLLARD	vs. Deepdene .	Round 4 (second inn.)
56	1st	BLAKE / STONE	vs. St. Stephens .	Round 5
126	3rd	STONE / PHILLIPS	vs. St. Stephens .	Round 5
60	5th	HANDS / POLLARD	vs. Summerhill Rd.	Round 6
59	2nd	POLLARD / STONE	vs. Balwyn Utg.	Round 8
54x	5th	STONE / CLARK	vs. Balwyn Utg .	Round 8
77	2nd	STONE / POLLARD	vs. Trinity .	Round 9
133	4th	HANDS / POLLARD	vs. Trinity .	Round 9
81	6th	NEWNHAM / POLLARD	vs. Trinity .	Round 9
55	9th	OSWIN / BARNES	vs. Trinity .	Round 9
102	1st	BLAKE / STONE	vs. Doncaster .	Round 11

TROPHY WINNERS .

TEAM CHAMPION - DAVID HANDS .
 RUNNER UP TEAM CHAMPION - STEVE POLLARD .
 MOST CONSISTENT - RICHARD STONE .

C1 2nd X1 1985-1986

	M	I	NO	OKS	HS	AGG	AVE	O	M	R	W	AVE	C	R	PTS
M. JANSEN	11	15	0	0	53	442	29.42	150	17	638	25	25.52	0	2	140
G. BARNES	8	11	2	2	81X	243	27.00	97	17	361	12	30.08	2	2	78
A. KEMP	10	15	0	3	36	183	12.20	69	7	330	12	27.50	2	1	66
R. HAMES	11	14	1	1	26X	115	8.84	3	0	37	0	-	10	1	44
M. WALSH	5	7	2	1	45	94	18.80	18	1	127	4	31.75	1	0	29
S. WARREN	5	7	0	1	33	67	9.57	16	2	75	2	37.50	1	1	20
J. NICHOLSON	7	11	1	3	27	95	9.50	2	0	33	0	-	0	0	19
A. HIL	5	8	1	1	6	26	3.71	3	0	22	0	-	2	2	13
A. GRAY	7	10	3	3	8	28	4.00	7	0	42	1	42.00	3	0	11
R. COLOREY	2	3	0	0	37	49	16.33	3	0	10	0	-	0	0	10
G. CAMERON	5	6	2	1	23	37	9.25	4	0	21	1	21.00	2	0	9
G. NEWNHAM	2	2	0	0	40	42	21.00	1	0	21	0	-	1	0	9
C. PATRICK	2	3	0	0	7	17	5.66						3	0	9
N. CLARK	6	9	4	2	8	25	5.00	7	0	41	0	-	1	0	7
B. PATTERSON	3	5	2	1	13X	21	7.00	1	0	7	0	-	1	0	6
J. WAITE	3	3	0	1	11	22	7.33						0	0	4
S. ADAMS	2	3	0	2	1	1	0.33	6	1	23	1	23.00	0	0	2

The 1985-1986 Season proved to be much of a disaster after losing several key members of last years winning Premiership side. Personally it was difficult, from the big change of winning just about every game to losing most games, including two outright defeats. Unfortunately before Christmas the team moral was very poor and with the disability of fielding only 9 or 10 players, did not help matters. After Christmas things improved slightly, and by having Steve Warren and Mike Walsh playing, things became a lot better and we began to play as a team, which is what the game is all about.

GREG BARNES bowled very tight this year without too much luck, and before he was snatched by the 1sts he was probably our best bowler. Unfortunately Gregs' batting let him down on several occasions, but when he did get a start he proved to be a top batsman, especially against Nth Balwyn where he hit a blistering 81 not out to nearly win the game for us, before the close of play. I think Greg would like us to forget the kindergarten catch he dropped against Blacky Nth Bapts.

ATHOL KEMP bowled consistantly throughout the year never being really expensive, with a good line and length. With the bat he was similar to G.B. Once he got a start he would bat very well. The pleasing thing to see was his enthusiasm in the field and from the covers he was always putting pressure on the batsman.

RODNEY (IRON GLOVES) HAMES had an inconsistant season, but after a stretch in the field one game, he really knuckled down and did a fine job in the last couple of games. In one match he took 4 catches, and in our social game against the thirds he snatched another 3 or possibly 4 catches. Also Rodney put in a couple of valuble knocks with the bat.

MIKE (R.M.) WALSH was a valuble member of our side when he was playing with the 2nds this season. The run machine as he is known

C1 2nd X1 continued.

throughout the association, only got going in one innings unfortunately, Next year we hope this seasoned veteran can play more regularly.

JOHN NICHOLSON was lured to the Meths from an English County Club Unfortunately John couldn't come to terms with the bounce from the mats, and hopefully next year he can adapt to the pitch a little better. One day he relieved Hamesy of the gloves and did a fine job.

ADRIAN GRAY was a keen member of our side who didn't get much of an opportunity. When he did get a bowl one match, he picked up the prize scalp of old man Nicholson.

NATHAN CLARK was an enthusiastic member of our team who was always trying to talk the batsman out. Nathan was unlucky not to pick up a wicket bowling those big-off spinners, but with a bit more experience could prove to be a handy bowler.

STEVE WARREN played a handful of games but unfortunately couldn't regain last seasons form.

TED WALSH played about 4 or 5 games without stepping on the cricket field (what a wizard).

To sum things up, I think the main problem this year, was not enough players got to training regularly, also the lack of concentration while batting really stood out, by the team only making 90 or 100 runs each week.

With the addition of a couple of players next year, and if every player tries to improve a bit, I think we will do a hell of a lot better!

CAPTAIN
MIKE JANSEN

D 2 REPORT

Premiers - First of all congratulations must go to the lads for a fantastic effort in reaching the finals. Considering the fact that only Downey, Matt, and myself, the average age of the team was 17 years, this was a creditable effort in itself for even making the finals, let alone finishing on top. After being undefeated before Christmas with 3 outright wins under our belt everyone was full of confidence going into the new year & it paid off.

Quick scoring with the bat, tight fielding and some penetrating bowling made us one of the more outstanding teams in our grade. With the finals about to start we had to prove that with the extra pressure, we could still come out on top.

SEMI - FINAL

On a fairly overcast day, I lost the toss but fortunately Wyclif sent us in to bat. Batting first during the year seemed to bring us success, so hopefully this was going to continue. After an excellent start Craig and myself put on 108 before Craig was dismissed for an excellent 30. Not long after I followed and we were 2/110. With Dazza, Chris, Downey and a returned to form Matt we managed to put on 297, which was an excellent score to defend. With about 45 minutes to play on the first day we finished up having them 2/29 & our confidence was up.

After a slow start on the Monday we had them 3/55 and then the collapse began. Tight bowling and good fielding put the pressure back on Wyclif & despite a 9th wicket stand of 48, we bundled them out for a mediocre 170. With quite a comfortable win, we were fired up for the Barnies in the big one.

GRAND FINAL

After a delayed start I won the toss and off course elected to bat. With many new faces in the Barnies line up and some creditable performances behind them, we knew that this was not going to be a pushover. Craig and myself opened and put on a reasonable 46 before I was dismissed. The Barnies were bowling tightly and a grand effort was needed if we were going to put up a defendable score. At 8/157, things weren't looking good, but to the amazement of all of us, Matt played the innings of his life and absolutely massacred the Barnies bowling attack with an unbeaten 83. With some good support from Downey, Simmo, and Jonesy, Matt had put us in a real match winning position. With 222 to defend we were quietly confident. We got off to a great start with an early wicket but then the epileptics set in. Together with some questionable umpiring decisions and several dropped catches, we became frustrated and the task was certainly ahead of us. But to the credit of the team we fought back well. After claiming 6 wickets for 70 runs, we put ourselves in with a big chance. At 9/189 the Barnies still had a difficult job ahead of them but still we had to get that last wicket. When the tail enders started to hit out and start hitting a few boundaries, we had the pressure right on us, but when Downey bowled the last guy around his legs it was all over and the flag was ours. A tremendous team effort from all players - not only in the finals but during the whole season as well had paid off.

WELL DONE LADS !

S .Hackett.(Capt)

SEMI-FINAL				FINAL			
NBMCC	297	d	WYCLIF	NBMCC	222	d	ST.BARNABAS
Hackett	70		Hackett 4/41	Weekes	83*		206
Patrick	30		Richards 2/45	Patrick	27		Hackett 4/53
Richards	30		Adams 2/49	Hackett	25		Down 2/71
Adair	29			Down	20		Richards 2/20
Weekes	63			Adams	20		Adams 1/46
Down	21						

D 2 GRADE REPORT

Craig Patrick

Although being Scottish, Craig showed us that he can play cricket. He started off well but had to play several games with the seconds due to his good form.

When he returned to the thirds team he was promoted to opening batsman. He was involved in several brilliant partnerships with Stuart, even though his run tally was small. An average fielder but must learn to concentrate in slips. He bowled once and proved that he should stick to soccer when it comes to controlling a ball. An entertaining year both on and off the field. Good year Craig.

James Tompkins

Cheeky immature cricketer who leaves a bit to be desired. James has been an excellent fieldsman this season and quite a useful batsman and perhaps bowler. Overall James has been a great team member. But he should remember BLACK is not always beautiful.

Darren Richards

Known throughout the club as Long Pockets, or the Eggman. Had a sensational year with the bat and bowled considerably well as our first change bowler. Stop bringing out the form guide from your pocket and how about a bit of cash. Has got a bit of an attitude problem when it comes toward the club, but a good cricketer.

Simon Adams (Simmo)

The big bookie man of the team. Sim had an unconvincing year of cricket with his unorthodox style of batting. On a few occasions Sim showed some real "guts" batting without gloves. Bowled very well for the side but he was more interested in the 3rd at Flemington. His "Roger Harper" fielding was an inspiration but has an attitude problem.

Stephen Down

A personal friend of Mrs. Hames. An absolutely useless vice-captain. An unorthodox around the wicket bowler, but took several useful wickets. Although inconsistent with the bat, played some match winning innings. Average team member, very average drinker of beer. P.S. try spirits.

Paul Jones

Paul has been a really valuable player for the club this year in perhaps one match. His fielding has left a lot to be desired at the demanding position of fine-leg. If you want to bowl, show us that you can catch first! Well done Paul. Thanks for making up the numbers.

Anthony Mercer

Although T.F.C. winner for the season, Merc has shown considerable potential with the bat. Whenever the times got tough he always putting in 100%, often adding valuable runs to the score. Fielding needs a bit of work, but overall a good team member. Thanks for coming.

Bob Cavicchia (the tongue)

Bob started about a quarter of the way through the season. He performed well with the bat during the season although he should learn not to step backwards as his first movement. His favorite position is square leg, maybe because of the fact that he fielded there against a sheilas team and had a rocket in his pocket all day. A good team member who shows a lot of potential and team spirit for the team. Well done Bobby.

Matthew Weekes

Arrogant , Pig headed , vomit eating pounce . No not true - Matt has showed us this year that although looking like Kim Hughes , he doesn't always bat like him - more like Stevie Wonder ! With his lucky catches at first slip & two valuable innings in the finals he has been a useless member of the team .
Full of poop! .

Christian Adair

Muscle head of the team .Chris has shown some excellent form with the bat ball and gloves this season , but should learn to keep his mouth shut and opinions to himself. Chris had a good year and at times has been a useful member .Well done.

Compiled by
STUART HACKETT .

About the author ;

Stewy Hackett (Captain) . Elected captain at the start of the season . As the averages show,the pressure of being captain did not affect me at all . I had a sensational season with both bat and ball and even proved myself with the gloves .I made several match winning moves which helped us win the flag . I am a great cricketer - just ask me , I'll tell you.

Thanks to everyone who helped out this season . all assistance was much appreciated .

3 rd X1 Statistics

D 2 GRADE

	M	I	NO	HS	Agg	Ave.	O	M	R	W	Ave.	C	RO	Pts.
S . Hackett	12	13	-	117	417	32.1	119	22	415	37	11.2	8	1	175
D . Richards	11	13	1	98	401	33.4	96	22	309	23	13.4	2	-	130
S . Down	12	14	1	79	272	20.9	136	37	415	31	13.4	3	-	122
M . Weekes	11	14	3	83*	302	27.4	39	6	164	11	14.9	4	-	90
C . Adair	11	15	1	59	288	20.6	36	3	184	7	26.3	6	3	87
S . Adams	7	7	2	23	78	19.5	54	14	176	16	11.0	1	2	51
J . Tompkins	11	12	-	50	179	14.9	13	5	42	2	21.0	4	-	47
C . Patrick	8	8	-	58	172	21.5	1	-	24	-	-	2	-	38
R .Cavicchia	7	7	-	33	123	17.6	15	1	81	2	40.5	3	-	34
A Mercer	10	11	2	26*	122	13.5	1	-	8	1	8.0	-	-	26
P . Jones	5	6	1	20*	34	5.6	2	-	13	-	-	1	-	8
D . Patterson	1	1	-	12	12	12.0	3	-	41	1	41	-	-	4
A . Kemp	3	4	3	9*	11	11.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

ALSO PLAYED : D. Ots , S . Baker , S . Addicot ,
M. Laurie , P . Farrell , N. Clark ,

TREASURER'S REPORT

This season's trading showed a considerable improvement in the finance department as compared with previous years. Currently we have a bank balance approaching \$700. However, profits could have been even greater, but due to some scumbags, tightarses, sorry, certain people unfortunate enough not to be working, many Annual and Weekly Subs. were still left owing.

During the season revenue was generated through a beer raffle, lamington drive and a large quantity of beer sales (3060 cans just to be exact). Expenses mainly included a beer fridge, ground rental, affiliation fees, matting, cricket balls and equipment.

On the social side a successful Golf Day was had at the Chirnside Park Golf Course by the 13 players that participated. Polly took out the longest drive competition on the 10th, whilst Hamesy, yes Hamesy won the closest to the pin on the 12th. Well done fellas.

Another social event organised was a 2nd XI vs a 3rd XI game. An enjoyable day was had by everyone who turned up to this 2nd XI victory, which was highlighted by Nathan's slashing innings of 20.

Thanks must be given to the people, who during the season supplied me transport to and from the Trawool Licensed Grocery and the Blacky Hotel.



Club Treasurer,
Alex Petrovic.



OCH! NICE CATCH LADDIE!



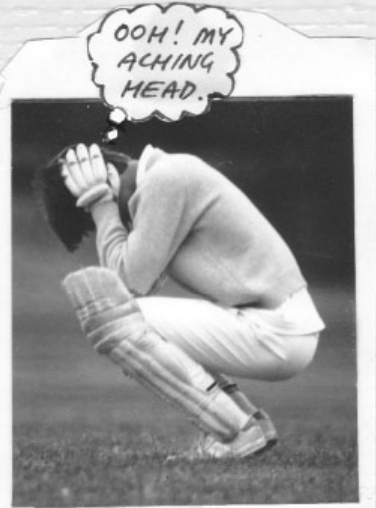
THIRD PACKET ALREADY...
AND IT'S NOT EVEN TEA!



OOH!

DON'T LAUGH DAZZA....
THIS IS SERIOUS

THIRDS FINALS ACTION



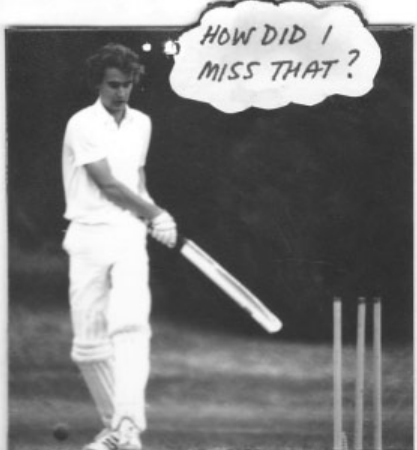
OOH! MY
ACHING
HEAD.



A SUPERB BAT(ON) CHANGE



ARE YOU SURE
YOUR MOTHER
SAID YOU HAD
A BRAIN?



HOW DID I
MISS THAT?



THIS IS
RIDICULOUS!



DENNIS LILLEE EAT YOUR HEART OUT!



HOW'S THAT ONE UMPIRE?



MATT WEEKES — BATTING SENSATION OF THE FINALS



DAZZA



STEWY



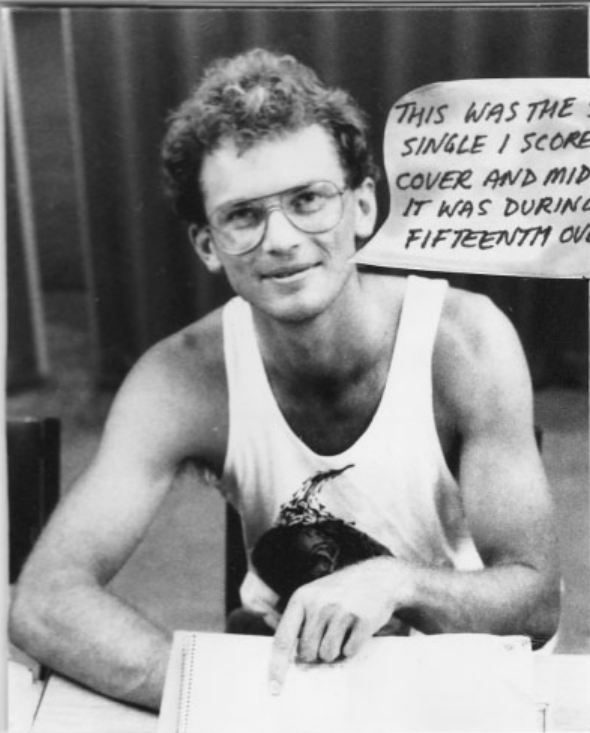
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A TALE OF TWO RUNOUTS

HACKETT



ANYONE FOR CROQUET?

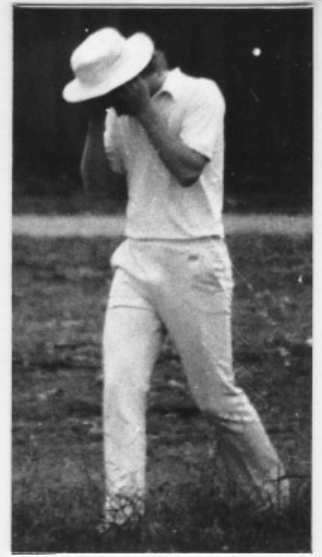


THIS WAS THE SEVENTH SINGLE I SCORED BETWEEN COVER AND MID OFF.... IT WAS DURING THE FIFTEENTH OVER AND....

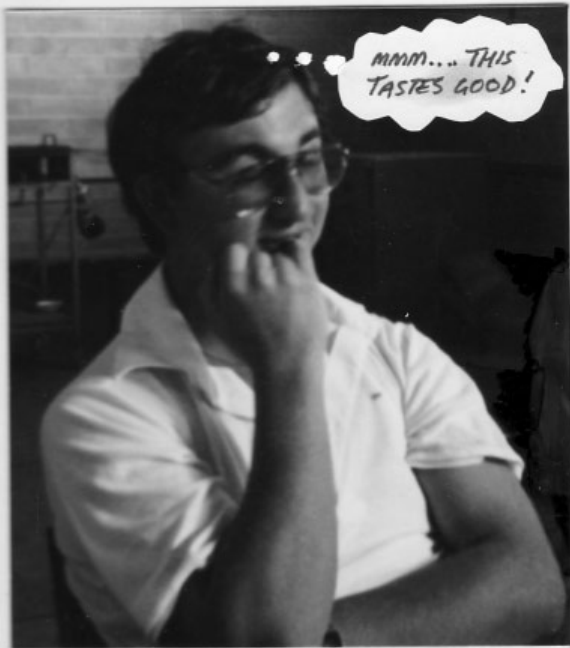
PROFESSOR POLLARD POINTS OUT ANOTHER BORING STATISTIC FROM ONE OF HIS LARGER INNINGS. (YAWN!)



EVERYBODY'S HERO



OSSIE, OSSIE, OSSIE.... (G. BARNES - RUN OUT 3)



mmm... THIS TASTES GOOD!

SO ANYHOW, THIS BLOKE....



NOT THIS ONE AGAIN!



A RARE BIRD IN ACTION

THIS REMINDS ME OF RIFLE DRILL BACK IN NEW GUINEA



NOW... HOW DOES ALEX DO IT... TWO TAPS... THEN PULL...

WHAT A WANKER!



THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME ISN'T IT?

AND LAST...



WHO ARE YOU CALLING FATSO FATSO!



OH MY!



ANATOMY OF AN ALCHO.

BRUISED EGO

CUTS + ABRASIONS

DENTED PRIDE

BROKEN BICYCLE



TAP TAP

GOOSH!



A PAGE OF LEGENDS

SEDGE



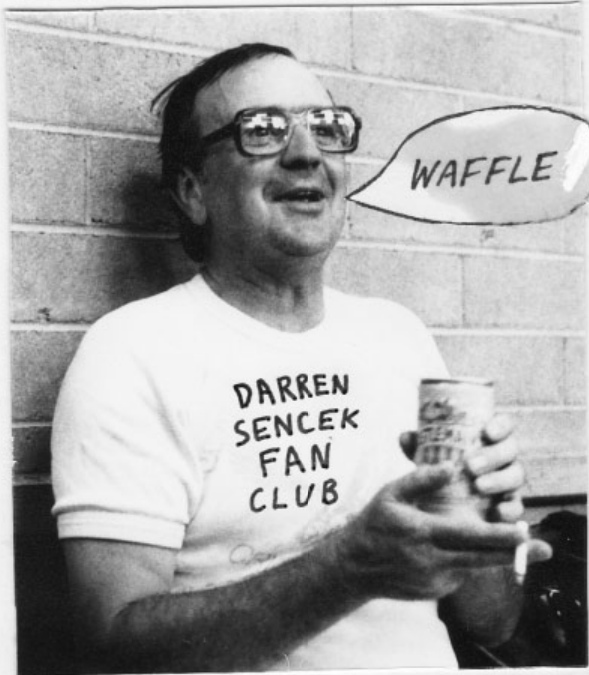
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CALVIN



BARRELL



THE IRREPRESSIBLE CLACKERS

FRANKY YAWN



MY HERO!



TAME



HAVE ONE ON ME!

1985/86 THAT WAS THE SEASON THAT WAS CAN WE EVER FORGET
Presentation night at "The Blacky"...Gus' bike riding skills... Gus' neck...The struggle for players...Pre-season at the High School... Waitey from The Blacky...111 Whitehorse Road...Barnesy -recruit of the year...if you can't beat em join them...the reformed thirds actually making it onto the ground - not our ground, but a ground...the North Blacky Baby Boom finally coming to an end - no Juniors....a real tragedy....October living up to its reputation....first day washout... but wait...the thirds are playing...put down that tinny...Old Father Marriott doing sumo wrestler impersonations...new skipper Stewy setting the pace with 5 sixers...95 opening stand....little Marriotts tight opening over - 6 no balls....first Golden of the year to Mr.A. Kemp.... the innovative fish and chip stubby holders...the 1sts caught unawares in the first round (again)....Chookas entertaining innings...keep your head down Darren...3 sixers off Faireys over...seconds seeking revenge against Wals favourite team....Jannos senior captaincy debut... Grant's inaugural duck...Koonung swamp unfit for play...Seconds win at Deepdene....Grant caught with his pants down....Johnny "I'll have a Look at Him " Waite's first ball swish...bowled...Ted Walsh's second game withoutleaving home...Thirds massacre Trinity at Temple' stowe...Dick subbing - what a thrill...Dazza's brilliant 55...Trinitys minor collapse - 7 for 10...Weeksys double fluke - 2 for 2.... Firsts first victory...Speedys big sixxrs...Polly's 3 catches.... Alex 3 TFC's...Thirds make it three in a row...Alex Kemp takes his second TFC...Dazza in scintillating form - 98 caught on the boundary- 11 sixers...Wyclif trying 11 bowlers...Stewys 6 for...Jannos juniors lose again...Athols lively innings - 22 singles in succession.... Round 3 at MacLeaya convincing Barny Bashing....a 200 run annihil- ation...Phillips in fine touch...Clarky walopping the so called spinner...54 out of 60 in boundaries...Oakers friendly advice to Polly..."Shut your *\$@"* mouth"...Pollys superb Golden...Wal the Windmill...Dingos catching skills...Grants reliable hands...you can open your eyes now son...Coldrey finally holding a chest mark... Dicks superb wrongun not given out...the outrights on fellas...get the new nut Alex...Alex?...Alex tsk tsk...Grants inaugural wicket... Hacketts Harriers win again...the Barnys 69er...another 6 to Stew... (yawn)...Craig McPatricks first half ton...Mercer opens his TFC account...Seconds outright loss at the High school...Nicko - the poor mans Tavaré - the first of many crowd pleasing knocks... Dazza and Sim off course, on field punters...BARNESY'S PAIR... including a golden...followed by a mystery disappearance and a threat of retirement...and we were really worried...Firsts take another 6 points...Dicks welcome return to form...Grants inaugural 1st XI run...Handsys bag of six...Alex dozing at fly slip...wake me up when the ball comes...Alex performing with the bat...Shane "Get a Bag" Cooper encouraging his team..."Dropped on 5 - Get a Bag...Dropped on 15 "G.A.B."...etc etc...Pollys ton (only second innings though).... Thirds win outright - on the first day (and they started late!.... GIEKs stand for sexual equality...with mixed results...All out 32&27... ..Simmo 3 for 1...Tompkins tonking innings...Bobby the tongue chatting up the square leg ump...Seconds draw boringly in the rain...what a run rate - 23 runs from 25 overs...Hilly and Barnesy sending the gravel in the car park to sleep...Washout at Leigh Park...but not before an entertaining first day...Wizza Captain of the Year... 5th in line for the job and you can see why...Dicks ton (thanks Sub)Jimbo's swashbuckling knock...Coldrey's first senior six - "I was inspired by Jim"...Well left Blakey...Dyso spitting it...Fred Ray subbing and stabbing...any general business...Chookas duck... Clarky's sisters wedding...Trahar looking for a transfer...Handsy - the case of the disappearing bowler...I'm sorry but I can't see the bowler...Dicks private fan club...Great innings mate...great catch... Pollys first TFC 3 voter (correction - 2nd)....Jim & Kate very much in love...Ingy flaunting and flirting...Biffa...Round six...Thirds take a dive...say no more...Jannos jerks fail again...Barnesy alight... 6 sixers...Shortys gutsy batting...Trevor Hoath in form...Jannos bowling - 0/100...Glens comeback - 1 over for 21 runs...Craigs desparate umpiring to avoid the outright....

Athol's good LBW decision....Polly's unbeaten 72....Brew's comeback....
Welcome back to the pavillion....Robbo's day out....Tames' straight six....
Brews' costly miss....Ossie's first wicket....C&B....Roberts' big sixer....
Tame run out....Stewys' maiden ton....Bobby & merc partnership....Downey &
Dazza 5 wickets each....Handsy failed to go with it (again)....
Poojabber....Richmonds collapse..1-78 to 8-89....Pollys dropped catch....
Chookas 4 fer....Fages - good batsman?....Jims tight keeping....Thirds thrashed...
Barnesys unbeaten 81....Waitys late arrival....Tiling at Hoppers....
Blind....Maddacks - what a girl....Handseys Colin Crofts....Face up wimp....
Chookas six fer....Clarkeys gut....Dicks skippers knock....62x....
Clarkys 46 not out - 32 boundarys (too fat to run)....Sandys early departure....
Cappas no-balls....Hacketts 49 out off 50....Downey 79 & 5 fer....
Alex getting sconed....Arty Pauls lip....Arty Pauls humour....Gus' bowling
comeback....Trinitys woeful ground....Handseys six wickets....Pollys roving
to Crusty....Barnesys specky....Mitch-well bowled....Big night at the Pizza
lodge....Merc's temper....The cricket trip that wasn't....The social game....
Janno refusing to retire....The can throwing....Patto's old mans comments....
Nathans drinking and Smoking - What a boy....Dazza not trying for a change....
Hansey's keeping....Lydia square legging....Barnesy's kitchen....Get off
the Piss!....Tuesday night training....More beer means more profits!....
Jims eleven cans and balance....Blacky norths strip night....Chaos....
Handsy body slamming the table....Handsy abusing Lenny....Dirty's twitch....
The Golf day....Jims sticky lie on the 5th....Ossie swearing....
Alex - "Wheres Janno the #¢@%#¢*!".....Bowling green reaction....The birds poo
on Al's hair....The smelly dunnys....GB no-balled by Chooka at training....
Galdy Gonads....Kate's 21st up the bush....Dale....Joy +Chief....Chook lighting
the candles....Steve Morse....The race to Nathalia....The Dino's van....
Hamesy's 21st....Mrs Hames - "We're not having any scrubbers here Rodney....
Pollys huge ton....Barnesy's first debut....Ossie's Flurry....Chookas new
bat....Jims first baller....Chris's first fifty....Bobby's highest score....
Henley....Glenn picking the fieldsman....Ossie's calling (sorry Greg)....
Barnesy sulking,...Baggot bowling....Look out fieldsman....Seconds versatile
bowling line up....Dick & Doc's century stand....Pollys lucky innings
(Dropped how many times?)....Ossie-yet again!....RRRR Rex....Handsy's back....
Chooka's Shoulder....Clarky's upset tummy....Blakey's spinners....
Frankies hairdo....Frankies tight pants....The last Ball victory....Barnesy
under pressure....Grant's highest score....Caught by Lax....Hamesy's umpiring....
Gus + Baggot (slower than Tavare & Boycott)....James spitting it....Throwing
Bat, Gloves, hat, box, dummy....Replace all divots....Stewy's run out....
The gelatie van....Wyclif's vocal scoreer....Barnesy's controversial
umpiring....Matt's big scores....Rod & Calvin (Heckyl & Jeckyl).... Matt -
Get a Heshian bag....Anthony's pair....Barnies cheer squad....Gary Parker's
Guest appearance....Oakars....Barnies - Good sports....third's disappearing
match balls....Third's premiers....Downey - Paro again....The Boys Home brew....
Chook driving to the AGM....Females in the clubrooms....Beer and Coke....
Brians gut....Janno's scorebook Mix up....Clarky under the thumb.... Clarky
under the palm....The boys at a portsea....The guy with the shotty....Chooka's
noisey triumphet....Craig's chucks...Guss's golden....Jim - come in like the
tide....Clarky getting a car....Alex on the road again....Len F....The boys
in Sydney...Alexs mate in the forward pocket....TAKE IT ALL! ... Etc, Etc.....