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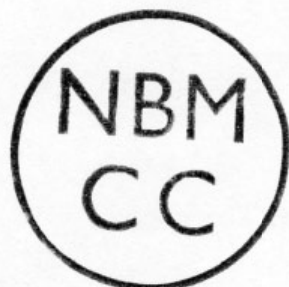


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B1 GRADE REPORT 1990/91

The start of the 1990/91 season was thrown into turmoil when the boy Sumich kicked a point to tie the Preliminary Final and thus pushing back the start of the season by one week . I could write a little more about Collingwood winning the flag , but after all they were only playing those pretenders Essendon ! Anyway let us get on with the report . In the first round we played our old mates St.Silas . Tupps lost the toss and we found ourselves out in the field , nearly up to our knees in grass , luckily this was only a one day match and we wouldn't have to come back to Gordon Barnard next week. After much coaxing and urging we managed to get Mike Jansen back in the first eleven ,and it wasn't long before he had the opposition reeling . At 8-37 things were looking bright for an untraditional first round win , thanks to Janno's 5 wicket haul and good fielding from Grant and Tuppen.t However St.Silas fought back and at the end of their allotted overs had made it to 8/89 . Still not all that a difficult task one wouldn't think . Part time opener and part time ventriloquist's dummy Hawkesy was first to go in the opening over flashing at one outside off stump for a change . Then Dick was caught short of his ground after failing to respond to a good loud , early and quite audible call from the non striker .Next in was the wizard of one day cricket - " ERNIE " . A 37 run partnership with the skipper (Ern made 2) saw the meths. ship steady a little -very little . A big collapse 6-9 . Jim was our last hope along with expensive international recruit James Tinsley But a silly shot from Bobhead saw our hopes go down the drain to be all out for just 72 runs.

Round 2 against Doncaster saw the debut in the first eleven of promising youngster Nathan Clark . However Nath didn't live up to his expectations and managed to take home the three TFC votes . Batting first on a good track we really struggled making just 147. Handsy made 58 while the next highest was no-balls .Barnesy was elevated to opener after his slashing effort in round 1 and by the time it was the tea break , Ern had amassed 9 runs .He was eventually dismissed after scoring 13 runs (all singles).Hawkesy hit a huge sixer , Jimmy and " THE BEAR " were both run out while Gus just had other things on his mind. The next Saturday saw Doncaster have no trouble in overtaking our mediocre tally.

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Traditional rivals "The Bapts" were next in round 3 .We needed a win and who better to beat than this mob ! After winning the toss and bowling (contraversial) we soon had them in trouble as they were reeling at 2 for 9 with superbat Dikschei (4) and cocky ei little Timmy (0) back in the pavillion. If we could get Nicko out they would fold like a deck of cards .Jim snapped him up off Clarky for 55 , then we could afford to bring on spinning ace Barnesy ,who cleaned up the tail taking three wickets . It really was quite embarrassing . The next week saw us piddle towards our first victory of the season with no special highlights except for Jimbos tonking at the end and Jannos monster hit to register the six points.

Round 4 at Myrtle Park against lowly Balwyn should have been a relatively easy win for us ,but little did we know what was in store for us .C. M. ,yep ,BIG COL, MADDO, arguably the best bat in the association since Gary Parker , or Pete Trahar .Maddocks was thrashing our bowling around at will and it was up to Handsy to produce a magical piece of captaincy in bringing on himself and expose the weakness in Col's technique. At the end of play Balwyn had made 243 ,even Pearce made runs ! Chasing runs has never been a strong point of our game and after the skipper had failed again it wasn't looking good at 2-31. A series of average partnerships followed with Gus and Jim making thirties After Clarky gave deep mid wicket catching practice and Janno ran down the pitch but missed the ball and Hawkesy failed to trouble the scorers ,we were 8-166 . Incoming batsman Athol was severly chastised by the skipper for saying that we had no chance of winning,this must have inspired Athol as he played the innings of his life along with evergreen legend Dick who happened to be in rare form himself. The pair put on an unbeaten partnership of 84. The win made up for the pathetic effort that we put up against them last season .

The next game was against Glen/Iris Uniting - one of the top teams in B1. This game saw the return of Johnny Tamblyn and not a moment too soon as Wogg was the mainstay behind our total of 215. Gus played a little gem to be 40 not out and Tambo's 52 were the only two to really get going.Handsys pitiful form continued. It was not going to be easy keeping this team under our total , but

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after picking up three early wickets through Janno and Gus who bowled both openers with full tosses. Athol bowled their captain for a golden duck and we were well on top. Then their tail wagged and the game was back in the balance until Tambo threw down the stumps at the bowlers end to give us victory. Lax polished off the day by reversing his car into the opposition skipper's car - it was difficult to hold back the laughter.

The pre christmas game was against St. Stephens and saw Gus taking over the role as captain. The story was that Handsy was sick, but some people, well nearly everyone reckon his was dropped because of poor form. We bowled first and bundled them out for 153. A good even performance from the bowlers with Ernie taking the honours with three wickets. With just a couple of overs to face before stumps and a nervous Lax and Ern went out to face the music. It wasn't long before Barnesy was on his way back - two balls actually. The run chase the second week began poorly losing Lax and Wogg quickly. Then Jim ran out Jonesy but it left to Stoney and Janno to make the rest of runs for a fairly unimpressive win.

Round 7 against "The Barnies". They were the bottom team so it should again have been nothing more than a training session for the boys from Koonung. But it was not to be. By tea we had them 3-78. All three wickets had fallen to run outs. At stumps they had made 215 - not an easy score to chase. Our opening stand of 118 from Laxxy and Wogg set us up for a comfortable chase. Ernie made 37, Handsy and Jonesy failed, but a fairly good win by 4 wickets.

The annual encounter with Cant/Mont Albert loses a little spark when they are without names like Moran, Tony Mahon, Nick Mahon, Ross Vincent, Eddie Secker. Although they still have the fastest bowler in B1 cricket - Ronnie Costa. We bowled first and early wickets had them 3-8 until they fought back to be 7-103 after their overs. Highlights included Hawkesys brilliant throwing down of the stumps to effect a run-out and Janno's tight bowling, 10 overs for just 9 runs. Great bowling in a one dayer. The run chase began poorly, losing Ernie in the fourth over for a duck, followed quickly by Handsy and then Jimmy found the

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bowling of Ronnie a little too slick (or is Jim getting a little slower?) and he was struck a sickening blow in the head . Not only that but when he fell to the ground he fell on his stumps. Then Stoney was bowled . A bit of resistance from Gus and Clarky followed but we were all out for 85 , an 18 run loss which made our quest for the finals look very shaky.

Round 9 was against Preston / Briar Hill at Trinity Grammar Ovals. A new Ernie went out to open with the man with the big reputation and Graphic Artist Jonesy . Barnesy outscored Trevor 5 to 1. A solid start of 23 , followed by Handsy who made double figures for the first time since round 2. Bobhead played a great knock of 48 not out and Clarky's cameo appearance at the end netted him a useful 17 not out. Special mention must be made of Athols umpiring although Athol claims he never heard the edge that came from the bat of young Steve Warrens bat , but it was the biggest nick you would ever want to hear - the boys from Preston were not to impressed! . It was a poor start to our defence of the total of 148 runs with Janno being hit around by their opener although it must be said that the unorthodox style of batting didn't make bowling easy . The task wasn't made any easier with the fielding standard being pitifully low . Several catches went down and a couple of stumpings were missed . In a last desperate bid for victory Barnesy was brought on with his finger spinners . A fine performance from Greg saw him collect a bag of 5 wickets , but his effort was in vain as we went down again by 21 runs .

Round 10 at the magnificent cricketing arena at Heathmont High was the didn't really have much interest for us as our finals bid was finished. After winning the toss and bowling on a breezy Saturday afternoon, the Hethmont top order proceeded to mount up the score on the woefully small and fast ground. By stumps they had reached 314 runs. Without some fine efforts from Jim behind the stumps and a good all round fielding performance from everyone the total could have been much higher . Making 300 on that ground shouldn't be that difficult , but with some terribly undisciplined batting from most of the top order saw us fall well short of the required tally , a loss by over 100 runs .

The final round at Koonung against the Gieks only interest was that we could keep them out of the finals. At the end of the first

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days play we had amassed 285 runs .After losing our first 4 wickets for 85 runs we needed to steady a little and Handsy and Clarky piddled their way to the tea break, ready for the assault after the long break. And an assault it was . In the 33 overs after tea we made 196 runs. In one over from the opener Handsy hit three sixers over mid wicket. When he was dismissed for 83 the main interest was whether Clarky could reach a really magical century.It was not to be , he was caught on the mid wicket fence on 97 .Barnesy had also helped our total with a fine 47. Jimbo made a duck . The result was never really in doubt especially when Jamno had removed the first 4 batsmen for only 60 runs. The slide continued with Clarky picking up four wickets.Before long we had removed the opposition for just 119. A farcical second innings left us 7/89 . Not the best of seasons for some of the most experienced players in our side ,but we still managed to have a great time.

Several people must be thanked for their assistance during the season. Not only to the team but to the club in general. I would like to thank Gus for his support and ideas on and off the field. Thanks Jim for constructive criticism, Ernie for his light entertainment(attempted spinners),Dick for advice . Thanks also to Bill Warren for the repairs to the mats.Thanks to Doug Hands flag repairing company , also special thanks to all our supporters -mums and dads , girlfriends and wives whose support is genuinely appreciated by all the players. Hope to see all players and supporters back next season to be a part of the North Blackburn Methodist Cricket Club.

DAVID HANDS (CAPTAIN)

TEAM CHAMPION - B 1

NAME	M	I	HS	NO	AGG	AVE	O	M	RUNS	WKTS	AVE	C	RO	PTS
BARNES G	11	12	56	0	272	22.65	60	5	221	14	15.80	6	0	457
HANDS D	10	11	83	1	312	31.20	64	8	219	7	31.30	9	2	452
CLARK G	11	12	97	2	258	25.80	119	19	357	15	23.80	6	0	443
JANSEN M	11	10	26	2	95	11.90	166	40	439	25	17.56	2	1	375
PHILLIPS J	11	12	48	1	245	22.30	3	0	36	1	36.00	16	3	360
WARREN S	11	11	40	2	136	15.10	118	28	350	11	31.80	7	1	306
KEMP A	9	5	41	2	59	19.60	102	21	252	12	21.00	5	1	239
TAMBLYN J	5	6	82	0	176	29.30	0	0	0	0	.00	3	1	196
LEGET A	6	7	47	1	141	23.50	0	0	0	0	.00	2	0	151
STONE R	10	7	51	3	116	29.00	5	0	27	1	27.00	4	0	146
HAWKES A	7	6	13	2	23	5.75	1	0	8	1	8.00	2	2	53
JONES T	3	3	28	0	36	12.00	8	1	26	1	26.00	0	0	51
KENNEDY R	2	1	13	0	13	13.00	6	0	12	1	12.00	1	0	33
CAMERON G	7	3	1	0	1	.33	1	0	2	0	.00	4	2	31
OSWIN D	1	0	0	0	0	.00	0	0	0	0	.00	1	0	5
CLARK N	1	1	2	0	2	2.00	4	0	17	0	.00	0	0	2
WHITING S	1	1	1	1	1	.00	0	0	0	0	.00	0	0	1
DE KRESTER J	1	1	0	0	0	.00	0	0	0	0	.00	0	0	0
TINSLEY J	1	1	0	1	0	.00	0	0	0	0	.00	0	0	0
ZELE A	1	0	0	0	0	.00	0	0	0	0	.00	0	0	0

HANDY PARTNERSHIPS.

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79 2nd HANDS (58) / BARNES (7) Vs. DONCASTER UTG .
42 4th CLARK (35) / PHILLIPS (3) Vs. B'BURN NORTH BAPTS.
40 6th PHILLIPS (20) / JANSEN (19) Vs. B'BURN NORTH BAPTS.
70 3rd PHILLIPS (33) / BARNES (30) Vs. BALWYN UTG.
84* 9th STONE (36) / KEMP (41) Vs. BALWYN UTG.
43 6th BARNES (18) / WARREN (24) Vs. GLEN IRIS UTG.
49 7th JANSEN (25) / WARREN (16) Vs. GLEN IRIS UTG.
43 4th JONES (26) / PHILLIPS (13) Vs. ST. STEPHENS .
54* 8th STONE (26) / JANSEN (26) Vs. ST. STEPHENS.
118 1st LEGET (47) / TAMBLYN (60) Vs. ST. BARNABAS .
46 2nd TAMBLYN (22) / BARNES (21) vs. ST. BARNABAS .
46 4th WARREN (15) / PHILLIPS (30) Vs. PRESTON/BRIAR HILL.
41 1st BARNES (20) / LEGET (21) Vs. HEATHMONT BAPTS.
46 3rd PHILLIPS (23) / TAMBLYN (22) Vs. HEATHMONT BAPTS.
42 7th JANSEN (10) / HANDS (30) Vs. HEATHMONT BAPTS.
145 5th HANDS (77) / CLARK (59) Vs. GLEN IRIS/EAST KEW.
41 7th CLARK (31) / JANSEN (6) Vs. GLEN IRIS/EAST KEW .

C.I. Report.

The season 1990/91 was not a very successful one for the seconds winning only three games for the season. Most of the other games were spent trying to avoid outright defeats.

Not having a full team for most of the year made it difficult to be truly competitive but when we had a full team we showed that we were able to mix it with even the top sides which was evident by beating the second top side Northcote S.A. by making a total of 4/245 and bowling them out for 238. Other wins against Deepdene and St. Barnabas, who were both good sides, showed that when we tried we were capable of good performances.

Thanks to all those players who played for the year on a regular basis and to those who filled in when required; too many to name. A special thanks to one of those fill ins, Rachel, who filled in on a couple of occasions and made her first run to get an average.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable season and will come back next season to improve on their efforts of this year.

The Players

Mike (The run machine) Walsh - as captain he had more pressure on him to perform this year and yes, as expected he did by making over 500 runs for the season. He is just getting better with age.

The team position on the ladder does not indicate what a great captain and inspiration to his team mates that he was. What a legend.

David (The Big O.) Oswin - Ossie, like his captain, turned up for another season. At times the Big O looked like tearing an attack apart however failed to go on with it. I think he is on the verge of making a huge score and maybe next season will be it. He didnt deck anyone this year which was a bit disappointing.

Nathan (Arnie) Clark - Nathan's season was highlighted by his bowling efforts and one day in particular when he took 7/94. Yes, believe it or not it actually did happen. The less said about his batting the better. I think he got most of his wickets by scaring the opposition out as all the body building he has done makes him a awesome sight to batsmen.

Adrian (N.C.O.) Gray - Adrian only played half the season as he was struck down by illness. The nightclub owner in eight innings did not make double figures and I guess that sums up his year. However now he is well again I'm sure when his nightclub hours scoreboard starts ticking again so will his cricket one.

Rob (The Bear) Kennedy - The Bear played most of the season in the two's however did make appearances in the firsts. Rob had the honor of bowling one of the worst overs I have ever seen, however when he worked out that you were allowed to hit the pitch he became a consistent team contributor. The Bear, like his football side, can look forward to good seasons ahead.

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Stuart (Brew) Hall - Stuart, one of the old guard, returned this year as a spin bowler. Well I did hear one batsman say one turned but I may have been mistaken. When he was able to play his experience was invaluable and hopefully he will be back next year. But as a bowler?

Jan (the Dandenong kid) Dekrester - I think Jan's season is summed up by the fact that he won the T.F.C. Award. He has failed to go on with it after making a century the other season. Now he has a car I think his mind must be on other things than cricket. Just remember Jan always wears a condom.

Hopefully Jan will continue at the club even though he has moved.

Ken (crusher) Phillips - Ken had his first year with the club and was a consistent contributor all season. Ken often got wickets by putting the batsmen off by letting his beer gut out for them to see.

Ken liked to give the ball a clout and improved as the season progressed. I hope we see him at the club again as nobody crushes a beer can like him.

Adrian (I'm modest) Zele - Adrain was the surprise packet of the season having a good year with the bat and ball and like Nathan he too took seven wickets in an innings taking 7/63. Zele's played all season and a number of games with his arm in plaster after doing acrobatics on Middleborough Road.

He was a great team performer all season.

Scott (King George) Whiting - Scott continued on from previous years being fairly consistent and I think with more attendances at practice he will be a good player in the future. His diet hasn't changed, eating a couple of picnics and three slurpees when ever he could.

Ross (the Buddie Chambers) - The Buddie didn't play many games but played when he could. He maintained his usual high standard and hope we see him back again next season.

TEAM CHAMPION - C 1

NAME	GAMES	INN.	RUNS	H.S.	N.O.	AVE.	OVERS	RUNS	WKTS.	AVE.	CAT.	R.O.	TOTAL
WALSH M.	11	16	520	107*	1	34.66	16	67	2	33.50	3	0	555
ZELE A.	7	6	93	37	2	23.25	114.4	411	18	22.83	6	2	339
CLARK N.	8	11	27	7	4	3.85	97	383	17	22.52	2	1	252
KENNEDY R.	9	12	137	40	3	15.02	82.2	267	8	33.37	2	1	237
DE KRETZER J.	10	13	140	40*	2	12.07	1	8	0	-	11	3#	210
PHILLIPS K.	8	11	107	29	2	11.08	58	210	7	30.00	2	0	197
OSWIN D.	11	13	170	45	-	13.07	3	17	0	-	3	1	190
HALL S.	5	5	83	41	-	16.06	18.5	64	6	10.66	2	0	158
LEGET A.	2	2	126	105	1	63.00	-	-	-	-	0	0	126
KEMP A.	2	3	31	17	-	10.33	33	59	7	8.43	2	0	121
GRAY A.	6	8	35	9	-	4.37	63	214	6	35.66	0	1	115
WHITING S.	9	11	78	17	2	8.06	9	38	1	38.00	4	0	113
CLARK K.	2	1	0	-	-	0.00	38	126	4	31.50	1	0	50
HAWKES A.	3	4	45	31	-	11.25	2	7	0	-	0	0	45
MOLLAR D.	5	4	15	8*	2	7.50	1	9	1	9.00	2	0	35
CHANTER A.	1	2	12	7	-	6.00	5	11	0	-	0	0	12
CAMERON G.	4	6	11	10	1	2.20	-	-	-	-	0	0	11
WALSH T.	1	1	9	9	-	9.00	9	28	0	-	0	0	9
BARNES R.	4	3	1	1*	2	1.00	-	-	-	-	1	0	6
BALLASONE D.	2	2	6	6	2	-	1	10	0	-	0	0	6
CLARK D.	2	1	2	2	-	2.00	-	-	-	-	0	0	2
CHAMBERS R.	4	3	1	1	-	0.33	-	-	-	-	0	0	1
PETROVIC A.	1	1	0	-	-	0.00	-	-	-	-	0	0	0



DAMN!... THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN AN OFF DRIVE!



MY BRAIN HURTS!

BARNEYS PIDDLING'S ENOUGH TO PLIT ANYONE TO SLEEP



DID YOU SEE THAT BIG EDGE I GAVE NOT OUT? EEH EEH EEH

AAYY





LAXXY IN
FULL FLIGHT



.... AND LATER
RELAXING WITH
ONE OF HIS
GROUPIES.





FIVE MORE VICTIMS
WITH THESE
WIZARDLY SPINNING
FINGERS

I'VE GOT TO PLAY
AN OFFSIDE SHOT
TODAY



I WISH I COULD
TAKE AS MANY
WICKETS AS
ERNIE DOES



THREE LITTLE BOPS By Shorty Rodgers

Remember the story of the 3 little pigs,
one played the pipe and the others danced jigs

the 3 little pigs are still around,
but they're playin' music with a modern sound

3 little pigs were in the groove
everything was running smooth

The pigs were due for a big surprise
for the wolf appeared with red rimmed eyes
"Ooh ya cool, Ooh ya cool, Ooh ya cool man cool"
Well to show he was friendly he shook their hand
Announced he was joining up with the band
Instead of starting an argument
a one and a two and away they went

The 3 little pigs were really gassed
they'd never heard such a corny blast
"we've played in the west", "we've played in the east",
"we've heard the most but your the least"

Well the big bad wolf was really mad
he want to play music and he want to play it bad
"They stopped me before I could go to town
so I'll huff and I'll puff and blow their house down"

The house of straw was blown away
The pigs had to find another place to play
A Dew Drop Inn , a house of sticks
3 little pigs were givin' out licks

Well the piano playin' pig was swingin' like a gate
do Liberace on an 888
" I wish my brother George was here"

3 little pigs were havin' a ball
when the big bad wolf he entered the hall
the big bad wolf he sat right down
"come on cats we're goin' to town"

From the crowd came an angry shout
"stop the music, throw the square out!"
The big bad wolf was really sore
"If they're gonna get tough I'll give 'em more"
"they don't know talent in this here town
I'll huff and puff and blow the place down"

Dew Drop Inn did drop down
3 little pigs crawled out of the rubble
"this big bad wolf gives us nothing but trouble"
"so we wont be bothered by his windy tricks"
"the next place we play must be made of bricks"

Sturdy place this house of bricks
built in 1776
high class place with a high class crowd
sign on the door - NO WOLVES ALLOWED

The wolf was sore and fit to be tied
he was swore and determined to get inside

He huffed and puffed at the house of bricks
but bricks are stronger than straw or sticks
He huffed and puffed and bleeped and blooped
and at 10 o'clock was completely pooped
when all of a sudden came a ray of hope
"I could disguise myself, boy what a dope!"

Well the big bad wolf took it all in stride
he figured out another way to get inside

"I'll show those pigs that I'm not stuck
If I can't blow it down I'll blow it up"

Well the big bad wolf was really gone
and with him went his corny horn
went out of this world without a trace
didn't go to heaven twas the other place

The Big Bad Wolf he learned the rules
You gotta get hot to play real cool!

1990/91 THAT WAS THE SEASON THAT WAS.... CAN WE EVER FORGET.....
Huge turn ups at training....Blacky Techs nets....theKemp brothers
bowling....Jannos reluctant return to the Ones.....St.Silas 8-37
"we'll win this outright".....traditional first round loss.....
Ernies piddling.....Handsys lone hand...MR-0...Jimmy caught short
by Ern...Gerry G's sixer...Grants consistent form...zip from 2...
Naths solid defence...The senator going through
Donnys skipper....new carpet in the rooms...the posters (ooh my)....
Gus under the thumb....Wals captaincy debut...Jims digital watch....
Dikshei"s wedding ring...our first win...Bobheads headbobbing
obscuring the scorers...the barbecue in the rooms...and mixed drinks
Maddo's afternoon out(71)...Athol and Dicks fightback...the paddock
against Glen Iris....Jannos umpiring -again....Gus's 40-could have
been 47....the girls picking on fat boy....Laxxys reversing skills..
..MR-50....Wals great knock...RM back in town...Gus the skipper....
Ernies great catching(off his own bowling)....Ernies golden....
yes hehit one down leg side!..Jim running out Trevor...the hail
storm...the waterfall at Koonung...Steve Macca excited...Grant
talking to himself in the dunny..."well mowled Bike!"...the revised
dart board...New Years up the bush....Lax and Woggs big opening
stand...Lax and Ern being dropped 8 times between them...Tuppen's
looming super 66 entry....Kenny Phillips shooting himself - with a
nail gun....Wal on fire....Zele's 7 fer....the Thursday pontoon club
....Bruce....the debarcle against C/M.A....Ronny too quick for
Jimmy"cost us the game" Filips....Athols umpiring V Preston....
..gun bat's continued failure...."The Bears" return....Iron Mikes
3 overs for 28....Teddys tonking....Barnesys five fer...Jims words
of encouragement after they've past us"Carn fellas, lets get back
on top"....Wal - he can't be stopped....Arnies 7 fer V Northcote....
..Clarky spooning it to mid wicket....Laxxys umpiring(against his
old side....Hawkesy flashing....Jims twenty minute duck....the
partnership between the Norway boys....Jannos bag to finish the year
...the tals of a merger....wierd Al's comeback -at last...the
return of the night club owner....what was that mysterious disease?..
...the strip night...lack of security....the theft of the pennants..
Dirtys twitch....Brian...Jannos target practice at training...
Janno aiming for the Buddies thighs...etc,etc,etc.....