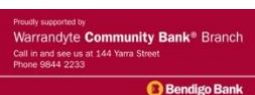




WONGA PARK CRICKET CLUB

MATCH REPORTS – ROUND 4 Season 2020/21





Stats by

Firstly apologies to Nick Palmer who took his first wicket for Wonga Park in Round 3 snaring 2/16 off 8 overs.

WPCC Debut

Dale McDonald (#1297) made his debut for the 5th XI in this round, scoring 17. Dale played last season with the Legends.

1st XI Debut

Cam Atkinson became 1st XI Cap #392 when he made his 1st XI debut this round. Unfortunately due to the strong batting performance from the top order he did not get to contribute with the bat but we are sure it won't be long before he is piling on the runs.

Milestone

Justine White passed the 6000 run milestone during his whirlwind 75 for the 3rd XI taking his run tally to 6,044 at an average of 26.63 over 289 matches from 1995/96. Whitey is just the 10th batsmen to pass this mark for Wonga Park and is now the 9th highest run scorer in our history. With 10 more matches for the season there is a good chance for him to sneak past Darren Howse into 8th spot.

Michael Pitts earned the unusual, and never before seen distinction, of catching more fish than scoring runs this week, bagging 7 fish during the week but only managing 6 with the bat on Saturday. Hopefully, he can reverse the trend this week.

1ST XI V WARRANWOOD

With first gamer Cam Atkinson we thought we would adventure down the road to the shark den Quambee Reserve. With a lush green deck Wigs lost the toss again and we bowled first. The White boys started strong getting their 2 star bats out in the first 10 overs to have them 2/30. From that moment we always felt on top, then enter to the attack the bowling prodigy D Mathews who they just couldn't get away, ending with outstanding figures of 2/20 off 7 to keep the Sharks to 9/173

B White 2/57

D Mathews 2/20

With Snags being injured this week Wigs thought it be a good idea to give Jacko a go up the top of the order and didn't that pay off with Benny and Jacko tearing the sharks bowling attack apart, making it to drinks at 0/66. Benny (where's Wally) unfortunately smashed one too deep mid wicket to make us 1/97. Jacko then passed 50, unfortunately he ended up spooning one to fine leg for a very well played 54. Then enter Tobias and Ben Osbourne who guided us home very comfortably with Wonga finishing 2/175

Jacko 54

Ben 43

Toby 35

Bowens
THE BUILDERS' CHOICE

WIN

WPCC 8/13 

Opposition

2ND XI V Croydon North

The 2's returned to the bottom oval this week, seeking to defeat Croydon North. However, the 1's had other ideas, taking last weeks Player of the round, Dyl Mathews and young gun Cam Atkinson. This only lead to good things, with the subsequent return of Mish, and the revolutionary line "2's don't lose".

Looking like a hero again, captain T-Mac lost the toss and got sent into field as he would've liked. Patto took the new pill, and claimed two in two balls, smashing middle stump out of the ground. In co with T-Mac, the bowling restricted the runs and allowed the other bowlers to ease into things. Scrapy then continued to apply the screws, taking a handy wicket. The run rate remained below 3, with Nick Johnson bowling in conjunction with the returning Tyler Parker who was a surprise selection following his duck in the 3s the previous week. DK clearly didn't want Tyler in the team missing a stumping down the leg side, a chance Cam definitely would have taken! The highlight of the fielding effort was the superman like run out from Hamish to remove a dangerous batsmen who chose the wrong bloke to sneak a single off! Ultimately the boys finished the innings superbly, restricting Croydon North to a very chaseable 9/108.

T Parker 2/13

S Paterson 2/16

M Williamson 2/25

The innings started at a good rate with Johno striking them well, unfortunately his opening partner Liam Rollo can't buy a run at the moment, disappointing not only his team but girlfriend who still "doesn't understand why he gives up his Saturday's to touch the ball 3 times in the field" and make a scratchy 20 odd (9). Xav Carrick and Johno kept the score ticking before Xav got the barbecue out in a comedic run out following a dropped catch, cutting short a very good innings from Nick. From here Liam court partnered X to help get the team home extremely comfortably with 14 overs and 7 wickets to spare! X finished on a classy 42 not out, making Croydon North pay for not appealing hard enough when he smashed one to the keeper!

X Carrick 42*

N Johnson 23



WIN

WPCC 3/100 

Opposition

3RD XI V East Ringwood

This week the 3s played East Ringwood at East Ringwood Reserve

Having lost Tyler Parker to the 2s after his mesmerising duck, as well as regular contributor Nick Burke, the 3s went into the game undermanned. Winning the toss, Wonga sent East Ringwood into bat, with new opening pair Lachie Poli and Jared Stone getting the team off to a good start, with Lachie unlucky to go wicketless with figures of 0/13 off 8.

The real star of the show was Dan Schlueter, taking 5/35 off his 8, having finally worked out bowling short rubbish on small grounds doesn't do you any favors. Despite being hit for one of the biggest 6s I've ever seen, Schlutes was the pick of the bowlers, with Brad Condick chipping in with 3 of his own genuine shickets. Jake Guerin also found a length snagging 2 of his own wickets.

Set a target of 170, Bailey Mullens and skipper Justin White opened the batting. Bailey was soon dismissed for a duck by a ball that "started outside off and came back a mile" (bloke wasn't moving it). In a completely unrelated announcement, I'd like to remind all 3s members that the bowling machine is available at training from 4:30, and perhaps some individuals would benefit from practicing sampling hitting the ball when it is pitched on the stumps.

Having been promoted up the order, Jake Guerin came to the crease, making a nice looking 20, with Whitey later being dismissed for a quick fire, and almost game winning 70. Whitey's dismissal led to a batting collapse (3s classic), with the team losing 7/25. Other notable scores were Matt Milnes 12, and Dan Schlueters 10, and the fact those are notable scores tell you all you need to know about the game. Other highlights included last week's news Ethan Lovell, absolutely barbecuing Pete Wright for a diamond duck.

In the end, managed 150, falling 20 runs short in another winnable game. Onwards and upwards fellas, Rome wasn't built in a day, and you've got a real jet in that young Guerin boy! In other news, congrats to Daz Hawley on his 4th 50 at 200 this year, whenever your reading to play some big boy cricket and give back to the club there is a spot available big fella



LOSS

WPCC 150 

Opposition 170

4TH XI V TEMPLETON

The 4th XI hosted Templeton 3rd XI on the top ground last week. After deliberation between myself, Rob and Craig we decided if we won the toss we would bowl first. As has been the case all season I won the toss and we sent Templeton in to bat. Both our opening bowlers Matt Phillips and Zac Walton had been getting us off to a great start the last few games, so we were sure we would get an early breakthrough! However it was not through the bowlers we would get our first wicket, one of the batsmen turned the ball down to fine leg and set off for a run. Smeads was at backward square and took off after the ball, the Templeton batsmen having no respect for his fielding ability returned for a second and Craig picked up the ball and threw it straight over the stumps to Greg Ford, with the batsmen 3 metres short of his ground we had our first wicket in the early overs ... Templeton have now learnt not to take on Smeads in the field!

From there we took wickets in groups after Templeton had some partnerships with Ben Parker finishing with 2/27 off 7 overs being the pick of the bowlers and Templeton finishing on 7/202 off their 40 overs. The other wickets were spread with Tom Glide, Caylen Forbes (a big welcome back to the Spin King of Wonga Park!), Rob Glide (our new 1st change bowler) and myself taking one wicket each.

B Parker 2/27

C Forbes 1/23

After a short break for tea we started our run chase with the 2 Glides opening the batting. After 5 overs we were 12 runs, then unfortunately we lost Tom Glide. This bought myself to the crease and with that Rob and I had a solid partnership (there were plenty of quick singles and boundaries). Rob was hitting the ball out of the middle to all parts of the ground in his usual fashion and the scoring moved along at a good pace. Unfortunately Rob was the next wicket to fall for an outstanding 76 with the score 2/117. This bought Kanga to the crease who hung around for 5 before he was caught. From there Smeads (31 n.o.) joined me at the crease and from there we took the game on bringing the win with 1 over to spare.

R Glide 76

J Lovell 84*

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auto care

WIN

WPCC 3/29 

Opposition

5TH XI V SEVILLE

Wonga Bowling 7/207

W Ashby 2/22

A Crowe 2/32

Wonga Batting 90

A Crowe 24

D McDonald 17

W Ashby 17

 **KINGFIELD** EQUIP

LOSS

WPCC 90



Opposition 7/207

6TH XI V MONTROSE

The afternoon presented grey skies and light rain with a band of showers on the radar. The expectation was that a heavy storm would come at some point during the afternoon. Captain Michael Larder won his third toss of the season and elected to bowl.

Opening the bowling was Murray Keen and Mike Brendle, Murray took a toe-crushing LBW in the first over and Mike started with a maiden in his first, getting the team off to a good start. Damien Osborn and Scott Parker took the second 6 overs with Scott snaring two wickets thanks to great catches taken by Gary Flewker-Barker and Nick Daniel. The third 6 overs featured Sean Stone and Gary Flewker-Barker, with Gary taking a handy LBW as we headed into the drinks break. With the score at 4/91, the team was feeling good but knowing quick wickets were required to wrap-up Montrose's innings.

On return, Sean bowled a cracker to dismiss the opener and Gary took a second wicket from his second over. Michael Larder and Lily Osborn joined the bowling line-up to round out 30 overs. Murray and Damien returned at over 30 with Murray taking 3 quick wickets which included a nice catch into the safe hands of Lily Osborn, and Damien cart-wheeling the middle stump from the ground with a beautiful full length ball. During the course of their innings Montrose used their local knowledge of the ground and peppered the short boundaries, ending up all out for 200. Whilst a formidable score, we felt we had the batting line-up and depth to reach their total.

M Keen 4/21

G Flewker-Barker 2/9

S Parker 2/35


Opening Wonga's batting was Tim George and Sean Stone, the pair started strong reaching 43 runs by the 5th over before Sean was caught out. Enter Damien Osborn who was dismissed with a first ball duck. Adam Atkinson and Tim George put on 61 runs before Tim, after giving us another batting masterclass, retired not out on 51 with the score at 2/105. Mike Brendle came in at number 5 and showed his intentions of making runs. Adam made a handy 18 before being caught while Mike at the other end kept the score book flowing. Nick Daniel made a short cameo and captain Michael Larder was out cheaply in very unusual style with him slipping only to have the ball bounce off his helmet and popping up into the air and straight down onto the stumps. After some outstanding batting, Mike Brendle was eventually caught with a sky ball making a much needed and well deserved 40 runs. With the predicted rain starting to come down heavy with just a few overs to go, Gary, Murray and Daryl Berg added single digits to the score leaving Scott Parker stranded and not out on 5.

In the end, Wonga fell 30 runs short of victory. A combination of some good stroke play and good bowling by Montrose saw them win what was a winnable game for us. We will learn from this and go into our next meeting with them confident we can beat them.

T George 51*

M Brendle 40



LOSS
WPCC 200 
Opposition

7TH XI V CHIRNSIDE PARK

WONGA BOWLING 5/178

G Curran 2/34

D Annells 1/10

P Doevelaar 1/25

WONGA BATTING 8/173

D Hawley 53*

L McBain 44

A Williams 28



WIN

WPCC 8/133 

Opposition

8TH XI V CROYDON

The 8ths ventured over to the new home ground for the first time on Saturday. Wally had to check his passport was up to date to travel that far.

We were greeted with great city views and a great playing surface.

Lost the toss and they decided to bat as they only had 6 players at that stage. Joel and Zac opened up and bowled with the wind. Sth Croydon were able to get off to a good start with a 44 run partnership before Mark took a great caught and bowled. By this stage the wind had really picked up and it was proving difficult to bowl into it. We then took wickets quickly to have them 5/67. After a bit of a partnership the kids cut the run rate down and we eventually got them out in the 35 over for 143. A great bowling effort in the windy conditions coupled with some great catches from Darcy and Mark. Special mention to Bailey and Mark who bowled all their overs into a howling breeze and also to Brodie who took on the keeping job after 15 overs.

Sth Croydon 143 all out
 Mark G 3/21
 Zac 1/11 of 6 overs
 Darcy 2/21
 Jaz another senior wicket


In the break we had a big job of collecting the boundary cones as most had blown away and we had to save Marks gazebo as it nearly took off to Doncaster.

The Hoods opened the batting this week with a quick opening partnership of 35 of 4 overs. Andrew again showed Brodie how not to bat and was first out for 13. Brodie and Darcy then put on 45 with Brodie out for a fine 43. Darcy then opened up hitting four 6s in his innings of 33. Joel and Lachie then got the last 40 runs to get the win of 21 overs.

Wonga Park 3/154
 Brodie 43
 Darcy 32
 Joel 33*
 Lachie 14*



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 Bendigo Bank

WIN
 WPCC 3/154 
 Opposition