

MATCH REPORTS — ROUND 8 Season 2020/21

























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Games Milestone

After starting his Senior career in 1985/86, Anthony Crowe played his 350th Senior game in this round. Over his career, Crowey has amassed 734 wickets (2nd overall) @ 15.23. This includes 29 5 wicket innings, 1 10 wicket match and best bowling figures of 9-32.

He now classes himself as a batsman, with 3597 runs @ 19.87 including 4 centuries, 3 of which have been scored in the last 2 seasons.

Fittingly Crowey is a Life Member (inducted 2011/12) and also a Hall of Fame member (inducted 2013/14).

Michelle

Ben White has become the 6th player to take a Michelle with his figures of 5/44 in the 1st XI on the weekend. This takes Ben's wicket tally to 17 for the season, and 5 ahead of his brother Josh who missed this match.

Bowling Masterclass

The 8th XI kids put on a bowling masterclass on Saturday with all 4 bowlers taking at least 1 wicket as they dismissed Croydon North for 9. This is the lowest ever opposition total on record surpassing the 18 scored by Montrose's 1st XI in 1926.

No debuts this week, however, one of our earlier debutantes, Lachie Dines, scored his maiden half century with 51 not out for the 8ths.





1ST XI V WARRANDYTE

The 1st Eleven adventured to Warrandyte for the 2nd of 5 away games in a row for the team. In early wet conditions, true to form wigs lost the toss again and we were sent out to bowl. We bowled and fielded well across the board, with Ben White's 5 wicket haul being the pick. Warrandyte left us with 152 to win.

B Osborne 71 J McDonell 21

After a promising partnership between snags and Benny Osborne we had struggled to move the game forward and Warrandyte took control taking us from 1-48 to 7-74. Benny Oz put the group on his back batting from the first over through to the last compiling 71, giving us only 7 to win off the last 6 balls. Falling short in what should be considered an off day with lots to learn from to improve

B White 5/44 T Hancock 1/13



LOSS
WPCC 145
Opposition 8/151

2ND XI V MOOROOLBARK

In an important game with first v third, the seconds came up against Mooroolbark at home.

Losing the toss and being sent into bat, we found ourselves in a bit of early trouble at 2-14 with Burkey (41) and Cam (25) coming to the crease, they put on a great partnership to put us back in control. From there, everyone contributed down the order with the star of the day Scrappy putting on a show hitting 5 sixes in his knock of 45* off 23 balls to help us to a healthy total of 7-198.

M Willamson 3/15 N Johnson 3/29 W Hartley 2/21

In the field Scrappy carried on from his batting taking 3-15 off his 8 overs whilst being well supported by Nick Johnson (3-29) and Billy (2-21). Mooroolbark was bowled out in the last over 62 runs short, consolidating our spot at the top of the ladder.

M Williamson 45* N Burke 41 L Court 32



WIN
WPCC 7/198
Opposition 136

3RD XI V MONTROSE

This week the 3s played Montrose at Keith Hume Reserve

Losing the toss, the 3s started the day off bowling, with openers Nick Palmer and Lachie Poli getting the 3s off to their usual start, having Montrose 3-25. However, normal viewing resumed shortly after, with a display of fielding that wasn't too impressive, supported by the fact that a bloke was dropped 7 times. These weren't hard drops either, half of them required zero movement and art least 5 seconds of reaction time, inducing a catch that weren't straight up back to the bowler and promptly landed safe on the ground next to the stumps. The dropped batsman proceeded to make 120 (good little batter), finally dismissed by Jake Guerin, contributing to his figures of 3/60 off.... doesn't matter how many off point is he took 3 wickets. Despite some tight bowling from Ethan Lovell, the centurion the second higher score of 33 extras set Wonga a chaseable total of 234.

Run Machine and Whitey opened the chase, with opening partnership form that has David Warne jealous. However, in a bizarre, Twlight Zone-esque set of events, Bailey Mullens was absolutely castled for a dismal 1, perhaps hinting at a return to form we all know and love from Bailey. This whole 'making runs' joke had gone on too long, and I'm glad he's finally decided to put it to bed. Whitey was dismissed shortly after, attempting to heave a wide ball outside off stump to cow corner, how uncharacteristic. Now occupying the crease were two ex 2's players, Dan Keane and Tyler Parker, with pressure on Tyler to make runs after he didn't cop a bowl (rightly so). However, to no one's surprise, Tyler was dismissed for 6 after picking out square leg. There's not really anymore jokes I can say about Tyler's batting, so bad luck mate, better luck next week. Dan Keane departed for a nice 12, brining Jake Guerin and Powerball to the crease. The 2 put on 70 (50 from Powerball), before both going for 22 and 58 respectively. After bash brothers Dan and Pete both fell the white flag was raised, with Ethan Lovell and Nick Palmer closing out the innings, brining the 3s total to 194, falling 40 runs short. Remember boys, catches win matches.



LOSS
WPCC 194
Opposition 8/234

4TH XI V HEATHWOOD

The 4th XI played Heathwood's 2nd XI on the top oval in Round 8. Heathwood is top of the ladder so we knew we'd need to play well to get the result we wanted.

Heathwood won what was a very eventful toss, with the coin getting stuck on a diagonal in the damp sand on the top oval! Heathwood's openers started off well without loss, despite some good bowling from both Hubba and Rob at the beginning of the innings. Some disciplined line and length bowling from Zach and Harry saw the runs begin to slow, and inevitably brought about the first loose shot from their batsmen, Phillo taking a nice catch of Zach's bowling at backward square to break the 65 run opening partnership. The runs further dried up thanks to a fantastic spell at either end from Chooka and Canga and generated further wickets, Heathwood now 4/85.

Realising they were well short on runs, Heathwood began to have a swing in the last ten overs, bringing about 2 wickets for Rob and a fantastic one-handed catch for Micheal! Unfortunately, our intensity in the field which had been present from ball one began to drop in the last 5 overs, resulting in Heathwood scraping their total to 6/172.

Canga 2/23 (8) Rob 2/29 (8) Zach 1/11 (5) Chooka 1/23 (8)

Fairly confident we could chase down the required runs for a win, we got off to a terrible start, leaving us 2/1 after the first over. Already on the backfoot, Canga came to the crease with energy and put the pressure back on the bowlers. Unfortunately, we kept losing wickets at the top of the order, resulting in us being 4/55 early on. Craig & Adam then took control of the situation and built a solid foundation for the rest of the team to score the remaining runs. However after that, unfortunately, we didn't keep our composure and steadily lost wickets, all out for 138.

Adam 43 Canga 33 Craig 19

Whilst the game resulted in a disappointing loss, there are many things that we can take out of the game and learn from. If we as a team can have energy in the field for the full 40 overs, and stay composed with our batting throughout our innings, we can beat any team we come up against.



LOSS
WPCC 138
Opposition 6/172

5TH XI V MT EVELYN

Wonga Batting

A Boxshall 54 A Crowe 28 W Ashby 12

Wonga Bowling

L Keyhoe 1/18 A Crowe 1/19 M Clarkson 1/28



LOSS
WPCC 177
Opposition 5/183

6TH XI V SOUTH WARRANDYTE

WASHED OUT





7TH XI V NORTH RINGWOOD

The 7th XI travelled to Barn, Barney, Barnegone - the ground near Diane Crescent in Croydon to take on 3rd placed North Ringwood. Having won the previous week, we were keen to get another win and move up the ladder from 4th position. The week was also a memorable one for G-Train (Gareth) who was playing his 100th game, after reaching a career 100 runs earlier in the season, he was sitting pretty on 49 career wickets - we didn't need to wait long as we bowled first -Again! (Daz loves it). Their opening pair batted well and were looking good until Pittsy took a couple of catches and we had them 2/41 - the run rate was slow ... Enter The Goat - aka Warney - he ripped this one more than the "Gatting ball" and Wayne was all over it - removing the bails and having the young lad stumped, except for the fact that the Purple Wiggle was standing at square leg and missed the entire thing ... Not Out ... G took it in his stride and quickly got on with business, firstly making sure that the umpire was awake #wakeupjeff. A short time later, Gaz had his man out, with a catch from Captain Doevs - giving G his 50th wicket. The wickets were shared, with Doevs and Willo snagging 2 each. We rolled them for 115 in the 33rd over and a smallish total was on the menu.

P Doevelaar 2/11 A Williams 2/30 G Curran 1/6

We lost Lach at 1/24 and shortly after Big Delta held out to a man on the boundary and we were 2/34. Pittsy and Treated Pine (Harwood) took us to 3/91 when Gaz was dismissed for a well made 34. Willo strode to the crease with G-Train's bat as his was cracked (surely due to some lofty hitting in previous innings). Willo then smashed the 10 year old for consecutive boundaries and this did not impress one of their players (possibly the little blokes Dad), Willo remained calm and the remaining runs were gained without further loss ... A well earned win and here's to many more and a tilt at Finals! Well done to Gareth on his 50 wickets and 100 games - a true Clubman!

G Harwood 34 D Hawley 24 M Pitts 16*



WIN
WPCC 3/116
Opposition 115

8TH XI V CROYDON NORTH

Back to Serrpells again for this game against the bottom placed Croydon Nth. With all players back this week it was a week where all the kids got to bat up the order. Losing the toss and batting we got off to a good start before Brodie tried to hit the ball into the Doncaster and got cleaned bowled. Lachie and Joel then put on a 96 run partnership with Joel retiring on 50 (1/124 off 20 overs). Lachie then retired 8 runs later for his highest score (51) and first 50 runs in cricket. We lost wickets every couple of overs but were still going at a good run rate. Zac got 18 followed by a quick fire 30 from Darcy. Mick came in at 8 and got cleaned bowled for a duck. We closed our innings after the 36 overs at 6/218.

L Dines 51*
J Glassborow 50*
D Close 30

We opened up with Bailey and Joel the 2 lefties and after 2 overs Croydon Nth were 0/5. The boys then decided to bowl full and at the stumps and they took 7 wickets in the next 21 balls to have Croydon Nth 7 for 9 off 6 overs.

At the change of ends the 2 Hood kids came onto bowl with both taking a wicket each for no runs. With one batsman injured we bowled out Croydon Nth for 9.

J Glassborow 4/5
Bailey 3/4
Darcey 30
Jaz 1/0
Brodie 1/0





WIN
WPCC 6/217
Opposition 9/9