



The Northern Knights Notice

The Knights Follow The Dragons Lead & Smash Manly

Under 10's Foster Shield

Under 11's Creak Shield **Loss**
HKHDCA 9/136 Def by Manly 6/165

The boys all came to the match excited for their first game as a team welcoming in Fraser Wilson, Jarrod Knox and Matthew Wright (Benjamin Burgoyne absent). We won the toss and all started well. With no batter getting double figures, Quentin definitely had the most notable and impressive performance with 72 not out. Everyone had a chance to bowl with the following wickets taken: A Harvey 1/10, J Plummer 2/22, J Cheng 1/12, J Shaw 1/20, a combined run out from J Knox / J Shaw and 2 top catches from Fraser Wilson. Matthew bowled well and was unlucky not to get a wicket and Dash kept well and did a great job for the whole 50 overs. Although we didn't win, we certainly put Manly under pressure throughout their innings and it was a good start to getting to know each other on the field.

Under 11's President's Cup **Loss**
Manly Warringah 5/139 def. HKHDCA 8/115.

Batting: L Modde 21 not out and L Williams 15 not out.
Bowling: L Modde 1/8 from 3 overs - C Bish 1/9 from 3 overs

L Modde was named man of the match for his great all round performance with bat and ball. Hornsby batted first. After a slow start, two consecutive fours from L Williams lifted the boys and they went on to post a solid 115. C Bish took a quick wicket in the second over with his second ball, putting Manly at that stage 1 for 3. However Manly had a couple of big hitters who put on a combined 50 runs before being retired. R Khan took a great catch in the 16th over but Manly went on to post 5/139.

Under 12's Cawsey Shield

Win

5/119 def Manly 118

The team this year welcomed the selection of three new members, William Giacometti, Kristoff O'Meara and Michael Stephens who as the day progressed would make their presence felt and who will no doubt add some bowling fire power and batting depth to the team. Having batted and sent Manly in, the Northern Knights set about the task of demolishing Manly. The bowling, aided by enthusiastic fielding, was rewarded early with Manly 1/4 in the 4th over. The extreme pressure maintained by the team was evident in the score being 2/14 after 15 overs. Each of the bowlers performed their task extremely well, with the take home message for training being to avoid giving away quite so many sundries. Thomas Randall and Eknor Singh both finished with 2/7 and multiple maidens, while Kristoff's figures of 2/14 from 8 with figures of 1/2 after his first spell provide an insight into why Manly struggled to get a start. Shubang 2/15 and Peter Lautre 1/19 were the others to clean up.

Chasing a modest 118, the boys began well and completed the task with the loss of only 5 wickets. The game provided Marisa the opportunity to bat each player and so many boys retired in their late teens.

A spirited and enthusiastic effort in the field as well as excellent play resulted in a fine start to the year boys. Marisa has plans for improvement at training so let's all arrive at Greenway Park, Cherrybrook at 4.30 tomorrow ready to learn and train hard.

Under 12's President's Cup

Win

HK&HDCA U12 Presidents Cup team 183 defeated Manly U12 President Cup team 164.

As this was our first trial game with a number of new members in the team, we took the opportunity to let all members of the team have a bat. Bailey Miedler was the highest scorer with 36. Bowling and Fielding were excellent with three run outs. Wickets were evenly distributed across the team, with Bailey Miedler achieving 2 for 29.

This is a good start to the season, and augurs well for the rest of the season.

Under 13's Gee Shield

Win

4/198 Defeated Manly 11/120

Winning the toss the home side elected to bat.

Letting the opposition bat all 12 players the Manly side only got 120 even with 11 wickets due to some sharp fielding early & great catches after morning tea.

All boys except the keeper got to bowl with the best figures of 3/8 to one of the new boys in the team Sid Dissanayake.

After lunch it was time for the knights to show what it is you are meant to do with the willow & with top score of the day, Taylor Davies hit 52* from 53 balls in a Matt Hayden style of opening. With the only thing in his way being the coach he was retired for another to show what they can do. Again a new boy to the team & in fact rep cricket Matt Mc Vay came out & scored 22 from 19 balls to be caught at cover. The second top score of the day was to Alex Dolly with 47* off 55 balls.

We also welcomed Ben Jones to the team with 1/16 off 6 overs & 14* runs off 36 balls, another great day for a new boy to the team. Others of note were Ben Wallwood 14 runs from 13 balls, Connor Hammond 10* runs from 16 balls & John Anderson 3/15 off 6 overs.

Well done boys just 2 runs short of the total set by coach Dolly at the beginning of the innings.

Under 13's President's Cup

Win

The U13 IDCA side played their Manly counterparts on Sunday 19th at Lionel Watts Oval.

Manly won the toss and put us in to bat. We posted 180 runs for the loss of 9 wickets with good contributions from Praneeth Weerasooriya (24) and Dylan Mares(40). With a heavy outfield the boys kept the fielding side under pressure with good running between the wickets, forcing numerous misfields and over-throws.

When it was our turn to bowl we did so with discipline, maintaining pressure with accurate bowling and sharp fielding, to dismiss them for 27 in 23 overs. Pick of the bowlers was Kush Kundra with 3/5 off 3 overs. Other good contributions with the ball came from Etash Pandhi (2/1) and Dylan Mares(2/2), who also took the man-of-the match award for his all round performance. The difference in the quality of the bowling and fielding was self evident when comparing the measly 4 extras given away by us versus the 58 by Manly.

A promising start to the season.

Under 14's Moore Shield

Win

The boys had a good win over Manly today with only 9 players on our side.

Manly 4/182 off 50 overs

HK&HD 6/226 off 47 overs

Bowling was tight to restrict Manly to 182 off 50. The wicket takers were:

Luke Modde 2/35

Jackson Preedy 1/30

Aditya Ramakrishnan 1/24.

The highlight of the batting was a quick fire 64no by Nic Hey. He was ably supported by nearly every boy with the following key contributors:

Oliver Hing 28

Aditya Ramakrishnan 21

Sam Heinrich 19no

Jackson Preedy 22

Nic Miller 23no

Our batting line up looks very solid and while our bowling was tight we need to work on taking wickets. I think the pitch at Thornleigh will be favourable for most batting sides but not offer much for the bowlers.

Under 14's President's Cup

Under 15's Weblin Shield

Win

This was the first trial game for Northern Knights and played at Nolans 1 on a very overcast morning. Manly elected to bat first and the openers gave a solid start with a partnership of 77 off 20 overs before Ferguson. H fell to a run out. With the introduction of leg spin from Nictora. D, Northern Knights were able to slow down the run rate before a well compiled 25 and 35 respectively from Boyer .J and Crombie. J took the score to 5/164. At the end of their 50 overs Manly was able to set a respectable target of 190. Logendran. K and Partridge. J finished with the bowling figures of 3/45 and 2/32 respectively.

Northern Knights started their run chase with full of confidence before they lost their first wicket at 71 after 19 overs . At this stage the game looked evenly poised before De Kauwe put a quick fire 50 with Somaiya.U and took the score to 2/163 after 37 overs . Somaiya went on to make a well compiled 71 before he was retired . Manly fought back hard and able to take the game to 48 th over with Northern Knights reached 3/191 .The off spinner Mehta . R finished with the bowling figure of 2/28 after a very nervous first over .

Under 15's Presidents Cup

Win ??

The U/15 Presidents Cup side has started the season on the right foot with a morale building trial win against a willing Manly side.

From the outset upper order batsmen –Will, Albert, and Daniel – kept the run rate ticking over. Eventually Hornsby posted a competitive 178.

The bowling was very solid; it is fair to say that the Hornsby bowlers had the measure of the Manly batsmen. The pace bowlers notably Daniel, Dylan, and Cameron all had the Manly batsmen well contained. Kartik and Rory also bowled steady spells mid innings. Spinners Mark and Will provided some good variety and complimented the efforts of the early bowlers.

All in all it was a sound first up effort.

Under 16's Watson Shield

Under 16's President's Cup.