



HK&HDCA Representative Newsletter

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Match Reports

Gee Shield

Hornsby 6 for 183 def. South Eastern 10 for 182

Hornsby drawn to play the highly rated SE in the Quarter Final. This game was never going to be decided before 5 pm. Hornsby game plan was simply “to meet them in the middle”. Hornsby wins toss and bats.

Lachlan Shaw (99 no) bats the entire 50 overs. No question this was as good an innings you will see from a 12 year old. Let me acknowledge the partnerships that allowed this innings to unfold. Corey (8, p’ship 19) got the innings off to a steady beginning, Will called for the DRW review, very unlucky. Jack (13, p’ship 21) batted sensibly and maintained momentum. Jordan (39, p’ship 91) was an outstanding support, this was the R Hand / L Hand that every opposing coach dreads. Lachlan Soles (6, 21 p’ship) kept any SE enthusiasm at arms length, Yash (p’ship 21) took the score to 171, Varun (p’ship 12), 6 for 183 was competitive.

Work half done, the well coached SE were here to play cricket.

Jack (10 overs 2 for 37) was solid. Menuja (5 overs 1 for 16) was very accurate and took the wicket of the highly regarded opener. Varun (7 overs 0 for 30) bowled a good first spell. Yash (5 overs 0 for 17) tested SE ability to play leg spin. Corey (4 overs 0 for 9) is always economical. Jarrod (6 overs 0 for 18) bowled an outstanding first spell at a critical period in the game, with a 7 / 2 field setting, 5 overs 0 for 11 was significant whilst bowling to the well set SE batsmen. The tightness of the game did not allow Hornsby the luxury of using the Sol “trap”. At 4 for 172 SE appeared to be in a good position. Enter Jonathon (9 overs 5 for 28) who had earlier bowled a very threatening first spell returned to the crease using a very favourable breeze and simply “rattled” the castle or the pads, 5 wickets in 4 overs, Hornsby victors by a single run.

Fielding is always enthusiastic, good desperation on the boundary. Will deserves a mention, the master hustler, a simple piece of desperation deflecting allowed Jack to affect the first run out.

We have won the right to another game of cricket.

Peter Watts

Under 10 PC

HK and HDCA 8/95 def Canterbury/Wests 10/93

There were 12 very excited boys who were representing HK&HDCA for the first time in a competitive match as they took the field at Bennett Park, Roselands against Canterbury /Wests. Bowling first, we restricted Canterbury/Wests to 10 for 93 off their 40 overs. It was a great all round team effort in the field with all 12 boys bowling extremely well and some great catches taken. Aiden, Emerson and Ryan took two wickets each and were ably supported by everyone else.

There was a worrying start to the run chase with us being to 2 for 2 early on after some excellent bowling from their openers. Then Byron and Kai put us on track for victory with a 60 run partnership. They both batted with great confidence and ran very well between the wickets. There was a stutter in the chase after Byron was dismissed but Eamon hit the winning runs in the 38th over to get the victory and lots of cheering from everyone who was watching.

Canterbury/Wests were great hosts and it will, no doubt, be another close match when we play them at home. This Sunday the team will be playing against North Shore at Neutral Bay.

Paul McSweeney

Under 11 PC

HK and HDCA 5/160 def Hurricanes 8/105

The Under 11 President's Cup Team played the NSW Hurricanes in fine conditions at Bella Vista Oval. Hornsby won the toss and elected to bat. Opening batsman Tom played a careful and methodical innings, eventually retiring not out on 67. The Hurricanes' bowlers found their stride and took some wickets cheaply before Isaac (14) and Manas (27) steadied the batting.

As the overs ticked by, instructions from captain Hugo were to start to accelerate the run rate. Miles followed with a six off his first ball, hooked down to fine leg. Hornsby eventually finished the innings Hugo offered a clever bowling attack to the Hurricanes as the day began to heat up. After a steady accumulation of runs, he brought in a combination of a quick (Manas) and a spinner (Charlie). This caused the batsmen some frustration as the run rate fell away and offered some tidy opportunities for the later bowlers, with Kye and Jack both ending up with two wickets. Hornsby's fielding was outstanding, running out two batsmen, and restricting the Hurricanes to 8-105. It reflected the teamwork, encouragement and support that all of the boys provided to one another throughout the match.

Thanks to the Hurricanes for their warm hospitality (and the scones)

Under 12 PC

HK and HDCA 7/170 def by Central Coast 9/171

Round 1 was against Central Coast at home.

Boys were thrown into bat and set a very respectable total of 7-170. Great team contribution with the bat from Ben Elliott, Ben Fisher, Blake Davenport, Josh Ramachandran, Will Moody, Nilesch Nadanapatham and Ben Hunter all contributing towards very valuable partnerships throughout the innings.

All boys bowled and fielded very well taking 9 wickets, unfortunately Central Coast passed our score in the 44th over.

Special mention to Mikesch Wijesena and Keertheekann Nagarajah (Kitty) with some very economical bowling towards the end of the innings and applying pressure to the Central Coast batting.

Some outstanding fielding and catching by Daniel Hoare all day to support the effort put in by the bowlers.

Great effort boys and all the better for the upcoming game against Newcastle.

Under 13 PC

HK and HDCA 8/181 def Blacktown 3/179

Ahhh Sunday, another game and what's more, another tight match.

We won the toss and went into bowl on an overcast day and dry field .

We started off strong, our bowlers kept it tight, our talk was supportive and everyone was pumped.

It was a great start from our openers which was continued by the rest of the batsmen that followed. Some hard hitting at the end of the innings made it easier for the coach to smile.

I can't name names today as they all put in a strong effort. We continued to pressure them and we fought hard for a great win.

I would also like to thank the parents for being our number one supporters.

Ian Kimberley

Under 14 PC

Under 15 PC

Under 16 PC



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Under 10 PC

HK and HDCA 46 def by North Shore 2/47

After the excitement of last week's victory the Under 10s boys were primed for another competitive display against North Shore. Unfortunately, things didn't go according to plan after we won the toss and decided to bat first. A steady stream of wickets occurred and only one batsman, Kai, was able to hold out the North Shore bowlers for any length of time. A lot of valuable lessons were learnt by our batsman against a very good bowling and fielding team. We were all out for 46 in the 27th over.

The boys did not give up and came out and bowled and fielded extremely well. We took two wickets before they passed our total with a superb piece of fielding by Ryan leading to a Run Out. In the 14 overs we bowled there was not one wide or no ball bowled which again showed what a consistent bowling unit we have.

This Sunday we are playing against Northern District at Northholm Grammar and the boys are keen to put into practice what they learnt from last week and get back in the winner's list.

Under 11 PC

Under 12 PC

HK and HDCA 7/175 def Newcastle 174

Two Rounds into the competition and the boys have learnt plenty about dealing with pressure.

Round 2 was against Newcastle away.

Another pressure packed game ending with all boys and family members on the edge of their seat encouraging the boys on towards a hard fought win in the final over.

This time the boys won the toss and decided to chase a Newcastle total.

An outstanding opening bowling partnership with Will Moody and Ben Hunter had Newcastle 3-22 off 8 overs. Then supported by Josh Ramachandran bowling 3 straight maidens and taking a wicket and Newcastle in trouble at 4-38 off 18 overs. The middle order from Newcastle got away from us a little. However the boys fought back again with a good tight bowling spell at the end of the innings

from Blake Davenport and Kyal Cruickshank taking valuable wickets and bowling Newcastle out for 174 in the 49th over.

Again the boys fielded well with a special mention for Ben Elliott for an exceptional slips catch at the beginning of the innings.

With the bat, the boys played a very mature and patient innings playing the game down to the last over. Kyal Cruickshank was extremely solid at the top of the order scoring 59, a very solid innings from Josh Henderson rebuilding the innings, hard hitting from Josh Ramachandran and solid stroke play from Will Moody and Mikesh Wijesena to close out an extremely close and well fought innings.

Another great effort from the boys and great to see how well composed the players were under pressure.

Under 13 PC

HK and HDCA 4/215 def Central Coast 142

Central Coast won the toss and elected to send us into bat, given that it was going to be a hot one in the field later in the day.

Shaan (68no) and Ryan (15b) got us off to a steady start, Jayden (39b), Ollie (7b) and then James (6b) came in got the run rate moving, when Ben.D (60no) came in and boosted the score by making his runs off 57 balls, hats off to Shaan who keep the ship steady and tracking to a high score for the whole innings spending over 3 hours at the crease. At the close of innings we were 4/215.

After yet another lovely lunch compiled by the Hornsby team, it was our turn in the field and the temperature was a balmy 31 degrees with a nice southerly blowing across to field. Today our fielders were switched on, with 6 catches (Ben W, James, Ryan, Ollie, Louis & Jayden), a direct run-out (Ollie) and stumping (Sam). It was a spin bowlers day with Jayden 3/18, Ollie 3/16 & Mitch 1/13. James 2/18 & Ben W 1/2 rounded out the bowling wickets. In the end Central Coast were all out 10/143 after 47.3 overs.

It was great to see the boys backing each other up in the field and the positive chatter to encourage the bowlers and fielders to do their best was great to hear, a great game to watch and a good win. Well done boys.

Under 14 PC

Under 15 PC

HK and HDCA 10/113 def by 3/115

Batting first Hornsby started their innings steadily but lost quick wickets against a very good Newcastle attack. On a pitch offering the bowlers some early assistance Hornsby eventually made 113 of the 50 overs.

8 boys were caught in front of the wicket but they will be much better for the game as several had little experience of turf. Newcastle got the runs reasonably easily and they showed some excellent batting on pitch which flattened out. The boys were disappointed but the great thing was the way the game was played. Both sides showed excellent spirit and sportsmanship and congratulations to both sides for an excellent day's cricket played in a great way between some terrific young cricketers.

Under 16 PC