



HK&HDCA Representative Newsletter

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Foster Shield U10's: Round 2

Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills 4/115 cc def Camden 111

R Bridgewater 25 R Bridgewater 4/27 K Murugathasan 2/5 JK James 2/13

Creak Shield – Under 11s: Round 2

Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills 3/107 def Northern Districts 106

J Netto 52no R MacKay 4/44 S Singh 3/5

Cawsey Shield – Under 12s: Round 2

Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills 0/116 def Liverpool 8/112 cc

W McFadden 62no H Boulden 32no V Bhatia 3/8 H Boulden 2/20

Gee Shield – Under 13s: Round 2

Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills 8/199 def Bankstown 197

O Jennings 54B Harris 26 W McCarroll 3/35 B Fisher 2/13

Moore Shield U14's : Round 2

Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills 6/244 cc def Northern District 8/131

L Shaw 47 31 W Coffey 46 V Ravindran 38 Y Patel 26 J Fullager 26 M Goonaratne 2/6

Weblin Shield U15's : Round 2

Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills 9/162 cc def by Newcastle 170

K Chu 46 C Rose 35 JD Hiley 4/30

Peden Shield – Female Under 15's Round 4

HK and HDCA 7/81 def by North Shore 4/177 cc

Watson Shield – Under 16s: Round 2

Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills 6/288 cc def Camden 9/185 cc

N Andreou 127 B Camp 72 S Rana 35 R Behlevanas 2/7 A Lake 2/18

Match Reports

Watson Shield

Weblin Shield

Hornsby entered the game against Newcastle feeling confident after an impressive first round win against Canterbury knowing Newcastle, the losing finalists from 2015/2016, would be strong opposition in their home ground.

Joe Hiley, the captain for the 2016/2017 Weblin Shield, won the toss and chose to field on a pitch which was showing wear from the previous day's match.

A change from normal tactics saw a mix of pace and spin when James Reynolds and Jordan Hayes opened the bowling. Tight and accurate bowling saw Newcastle struggle to score runs in the first 10 overs as they progressed to 15-1. The first change bowlers, Ken Chu and Cooper Davenport, continued the tight bowling and by drinks Newcastle was 42-1 from 18 overs. Newcastle resumed after drinks with a clearer sense of purpose and 10 runs from the next 2 overs resulted in bowling changes at both ends. Joe Hiley immediately tightened the screws with 3 wickets in his first 4 overs. However, the opening batsman was still playing aggressive shots against Oliver Cunningham from the other end, which saw Ollie being replaced by Vedant Virmani after just 3 overs. At the second drinks break Newcastle was 100-5 off 32 overs and the match was evenly poised. The Hornsby fielding was not as impressive as that against Canterbury and several catches were missed, though quick thinking from Nick Hammond in the 39th over saw the back of the Newcastle opener run out at the non strikers end for 72. Honours were even during the final overs of the innings with Newcastle progressing to 170 before losing its final wicket in the 50th over.

The Hornsby innings started brightly with Charlie Rose (35) looking in good form as the score raced to 16-0 after 3 overs, before Jarrod French (1) was clean bowled in the 4th over. An injury to one of the Newcastle opening bowlers saw the early introduction of spin at one end and the scoring rate slow significantly. This resulted in a spin bowlers operating from both ends and at drinks Hornsby was 49- off 16 overs. Tight spin bowling and well placed fielders continued after drinks and the Hornsby batsmen struggled to increase the run-rate and by the 33rd over Hornsby was 82- 5 and looking in deep trouble. Ken Chu (46) and Kieren Krishnan(15) steadied the loss of wickets before gradually increasing the scoring rate, before Kieren was out in the 45th over with the score on 127-5. 44 runs to get and just 5 overs remaining, Hornsby led by Ken Chu and supported by the tail-enders pushed as hard as they could to get the winning runs but in the end fell just 8 runs short.

Peden Shield U15 Girls Round 4

It has been an incredible journey our U15 Peden team have been on in the last few weeks. Five weeks ago we were scrambling around to get enough girls together on the pitch but we got there in the end. Most of our girls are playing just their second summer of cricket (almost all just a T20 format with early retirements after just 25 balls) and almost none had played on turf before. So far we have played against over half the NSW Under 15's squad which has been a huge step up for our girls who are so new to the format and in many cases so young. Three of our squad should be playing Under 13's ideally and one of them will play in the Under 15's for four seasons!

Michael and I explained to the girls that every Rep player has had to start somewhere but they must enjoy it, play the game in the right spirit and they will reap great benefits from this opportunity. New and strong friendships have developed and the girls keep bouncing back week after week, no matter what their results. Every run is cheered, every wicket taken (and there have not been many) have been celebrated as a team without exception.

We then had to play the strongest two teams in our group in weeks 1 and 2 and we suffered massive losses but the girls kept smiling and trying their hardest. Week three saw the girls avoid an outright for the first time so it was clear that the girls are getting better and learning how to play the longer stronger format of the game.

Week 4 saw us take a trip to Kingsford Smith Oval to play North Shore. The girls arrived smiling as always and we set out to achieve our next goals, keep the opposition under 200 and not be all out in the 40 overs.... Just four weeks ago we would have said both these targets would most likely be beyond us. The girls bowled and fielded magnificently and at 30 overs the score was just under 100. The team were most unlucky with a catch not given with 9 overs to go and the floodgates opened as the girls tired and the batters went for broke. Having said that, each and every one of the girls was happy to bowl if asked while the ball was being smashed to all parts and despite the final carnage the score was kept 23 short of our goal which was a wonderful result for the team.

We knew that the target was almost certainly beyond us when we went in to bat against very tight bowling and fielding. All the girls got their heads down and batted sensibly. Amy Hale batted almost an hour before retiring through heat exhaustion and then bravely went back out at the end to see out the last 4 overs and all treasured their wickets and batted as long as they could until a few good balls accounted for wickets. Great excitement as the overs ticked down and then finally the last few balls seen out with only 7 wickets down. Two batters left in the shed and the girls had batted a full 40 overs, fantastic effort!

The girls were exhausted at the end but this was a huge performance by each and every one of the girls who have come so far and improved so much. Doubts about whether the girls were good enough to play Reps and a lack of self-belief from many is slowly being replaced with confidence and the chatter and encouragement among the team throughout a hot and very humid day as each and every one gave their all to achieve their goals was wonderful to watch. The most exciting thing is that most of this squad will be available to play next season.

Moore Shield

Sunday was as much about playing to a game plan as winning the game itself. I believe the team executed perfectly.

Winning the toss and choosing to bat Hornsby openers Lachlan (47) and Corey (14) were solid early, Varun (38) is in good touch (sounds familiar). Our plan is to build the innings steadily and then up the tempo with wickets in hand, the boys are very quick on the up take. Lachlan played an excellent openers innings before being replaced by Will (47) "shortly" after drinks. Again Will kept the innings building patiently, whilst Varun played his shots. Jordan (26) came to the wicket and similar to the 1st round Jordan moved the team from 1st gear to 2nd gear. Jordan is playing a vital role at No 5. Jack (17 no, 16 balls), Yash (26, 19 balls) & Jayden (4 no, 4 balls) accelerated into top gear, in effect batting the opponents out of the game.

Hornsby 6/244, without an individual 50.

Varun (5 overs 1 for 9) continues an impressive start to the season, whilst Menuja (4 overs 2 for 6), bowled well, with early wickets. Game over (at least from the lack of intent from our opponents), Hornsby still had to bowl 40 overs. At this age it can be difficult to bowl teams out on the carpet, next year turf will be a leveller. Jonathon (0 for 14) is coming along well after a slow start to season (injury). Jack (10 overs, 5 maidens 1 wicket for 26) bowled very well, if not a little unlucky. Jarrod (5 overs for 7 runs) has been very tight mid innings by simply dropping the ball on a 5c piece, Jarrod provides an ideal foil for our spinners, and an accelerator to the over rate. Will (5 overs 1 for 11) gives the team options in the spin department, as well as bowling the strategic overs around the "coffey break", this week it was the Jordan run out. Jayden (7 overs for 19 runs) is providing a positive injection, at the same stage of the innings whether batting or bowling. Lucah (4 overs for 11 runs) continues to learn and impress. Yash (5 overs 1 for 17) is a serious talent and will have a day out before seasons end. Northern District 8 for 131.

Fielding was tough, with little intent shown from Northern district batsman. Will and Corey provided pressure in close, Yash brilliant when the ball came his way. I believe the team did very well in a game they were expected to dominate- sometimes that can be a curse.

Gee Shield

Under 13 Gee shield headed to Mt Kuringai Oval hopeful of bouncing back after a disappointing outcome against North Shore last week.

Bankstown were coming off a strong win the week before. They won the toss and elected to bat.

A strong start saw them at 0/54 after 8 overs so Will McCarroll was bought into the attack. A change of pace by the Captain Patrick Xie saw Will's leggies snag 3 quick wickets which included a very good caught and bowled and an excellent catch on the boundary by our super sub, Blake Davenport. Some sharp fielding by Patrick Xie also saw another batsmen run out with Will collecting the ball one handed and knocking the stumps over in a single movement. Bankstown were all of a sudden 4/75 after 13 overs. A sharp spell from Ben Fisher of 4 overs and 2/13 and Jackson, Shaan Baakshi, Blake Harris and Blake Davenport all bowling well.

It became a bit of an arm wrestle through the mid section of the innings with wickets falling regularly and in the end, Bankstown were bowled out in the 41st over for a total of 197, a score at the upper end of the HK and HDCA teams regular totals.

Some solid early batting by our openers Max Marden and Blake Davenport saw the first wicket fall in the 10th over for a total of 33. A strong start. Regular wickets fell in the second session with the score at 4/76 in the 24th over when Blake Harris and Oliver Jennings came together. They put on a strong 70 run partnership which steadied the ship however with rain looming we were still behind on run rate. Quick fire runs from Ben Fisher, Toby Pilbeam and Alistair Weston helped things along, however we still needed 31 runs off the final four overs with 4 wickets in hand..... you could cut the tension in the parent and players on the sidelines with a knife!!

After Oliver Jennings dismissal in a game changing effort of 54 runs, Ben Fisher and Alistair Weston were at the crease and they started to have a swing, 9 runs off the first, then a wicket! Enter Billy Jameson, a quickfire 8 off 7 balls then runout in the last over!

Alistair and Jackson Rishworth at the crease with Jackson on strike. A quick single and then Alistair whacks a ball back over the bowlers head for four! So now, 2 balls, 1 run..... and a quick single saw the boys grab a terrific win on the second last ball of the day and a VERY relieved and happy group of parents.....

Cawsey Shield

The Hornsby Cawsey Shield boys took on Fairfield at Thornleigh Oval on an overcast day after a very narrow loss to the Dogs last week.

Fairfield won the toss and nothing went their way after electing to bat.

2 early wickets from Vanch (3/8 off 8) backed up by Avi (1/11 off 8) saw Hornsby apply the pressure from the start.

Just as Fairfield looked to settle in Will (0/1 off 4) caught a blinder in the deep. Not to be outdone Jack (0/6 Off 4) took a sharp catch in slips and Avi at point.

Evan shook off some bruises from last week and kept well taking a late catch.

Fairfield posted 8/112 off 50 as Yvette's fantastic lunch was called. Cam 1/10 off 6 and Hugo 2/20 off 5.

Hornsby got the runs in 26 over's after lunch for no wicket Will 62* Hugo 32*.

Nice way to come back from a loss. The boys are starting to think and act as a team.

Big game coming up this week V the Eels away.

Creak Shield

Foster Shield

HKHDCA U10 Foster Shield Team's second game was played at Northholm Grammar School Ground. It was an overcast day and light rain expected late in the evening. Naden won the toss and elected to field first to make use of the conditions.

Jai & John opened the bowling for HKHDCA. Both were on target from the start not letting the CDCA opening batsmen to play freely. It was John who took the first wicket, pitched at the right place and hitting bails. In the next over Jai removed the other opening batsman. Both bowlers gave a good start. After 6 overs Naden brought his leg spinner Regan in. Scoring become harder against Regan's excellent leg spin deliveries. By 10 overs CDCA was 4-32 and Regan has taken 2 wickets at this stage. Wickets kept falling once Naden introduce Krishan into attack. By the 2nd drinks break CDCA was 7-64 in 20 Overs. Regan took 4 for 27 in his 8 Overs and Krishan took 2 wickets in his first spell for just 5 runs. John took another wicket when he came back to bowl. And Joshua took the last wicket to restrict the CDCA to 111 at 38 overs. Congrats to Krishan, Jai & Joshua for their first time wickets in Rep Cricket.

Lunch was provided by HKHDCA. Thanks to all parents who brought in the lovely food plates.

Shortly after lunch HKDCA opening pair walked into the middle to start their innings chasing 112 to win. Naden & Regan opened the batting. Both confidently started their innings, ran well between the wickets to get the score moving. It was unfortunate Naden got run out who looked again very confident at the crease. By the first drinks break score was 1/29 while Regan & Anushman at the crease. Regan kept the scoreboard ticking by scoring around the ground taking on all CDCA bowlers. Once Anshuman got out for a catch, John joined Regan and did not waste any time to start scoring. At the second drinks break score was 2 for 65. However, within next 4 overs, team lost 2 more wickets. We saw some excellent fielding display by CDCA fielders! Looks they were back in the game!! But Joshua & Alex steadied the innings. And took all chances to score as well. By 30 overs score was 4/94 and reached the final score 5 overs to spare.

HKHDCA U10 Team won their second game by 6 wickets. Another fantastic win for the U10 team and very pleased see the talents all around.