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*Round 7 - 2007/08*

**Results – Round 7**

<b>TEAM</b>	<b>OPPONENT</b>	<b>MATCH DETAILS</b>	<b>RESULT</b>
A Grade	Wenty Waratahs	KL 5/200 vs 9/198 J. Dobson 54 M. Finch 39no & 4/4	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
A Reserve	Hills Barbarians	No play - rain	DRAW
B1	Inka Warriors	KL 7/119 vs 117	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
B2	Erskine Park	No play - rain	DRAW
B3	Hills Barbarians	No play - rain	DRAW
B9	Baulkham Hills	KL 5/81 vs 78	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
B10	Pendle Hill	KL 136 vs 45 A Turner 5/9	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
B11	Kellyville	KL 9/140 vs 47 M Allport 54	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
B13	NSW Tamils	KL 115 & 6/30 vs 72 & 70 G Clarke 7/25 M Cullen 51	<b>KL won outright</b>
C	Pendle Hill (Black)	No play - rain	DRAW
16/1	Pendle Hill	KL 3/135 vs 58 S Bristow 60no; Y Brown 5/7	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
16/2	Baulkham Hills	KL 137 vs 8/87 L Nelson 3 catches	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
15/1	Pendle Hill	KL 6/132 vs 130 T Doonan 74no; T McKenna 3/29	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
15/2	Rouse Hill	KL 81 v 117	KL lost 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
14/1	Pendle Hill	KL 85 & 1/32 vs 6/91	KL lost 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
14/2	Kellyville	KL 99 & 6/48 vs 50	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
14/3	Pendle Hill	KL 52 v 69	KL lost 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
13/1	Pendle Hill	KL 5/139 vs 58 A Ieroianni 51, A Damle 3/6	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
13/2	Seven Hills	KL 97 vs 82 & 109	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
13/3	Greystanes	KL 55 & 7/51 v 9/68 dec	KL lost 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
12/1	Wenty Leagues	KL 73 vs 99	KL lost 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
12/2	Hills Barbarians	KL 81 vs 4/84	KL lost 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
11/1	Baulkham Hills	KL 66 & 3/27 vs 150	KL lost 1 <sup>st</sup> innings
11/2	Baulkham Hills	KL 6/82 vs 6/81	KL won 1 <sup>st</sup> innings

<b>11/1</b>	<b>V's</b>	<b>Wenty Leagues</b>	<b>ROUND</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>KL 93 v WL 93 – Match TIED</b>			
<p>We came back from the dead in this match to claim 5 wickets for 1 run to tie with Wenty Leagues. The "FAT LADY" was definitely loosening up her vocal chords with Wenty at 5 for 92 needing only 2 more runs to win and their gun player 27 not out. However, Daniel Pesavento had other plans. He had their best bat caught at cover by Liam allowing our strike bowlers a chance at their tail. It was only a faint chance given we had not bowled the line and length required all day. Any loose ball and it would be all over. One more wide put the scores even. Please no more wides! Nicholas Chymiak bowled a maiden and then struck for two wickets in the one over. These were his first wickets in his cricket career and won't be his last. The Wenty supporters were getting nervous as their batsmen scurried to pad up. Daniel Beattie then had the challenge before him. Kings Langley supporters were holding their breath. No wides please! Great ball- on target - stumps smashed! Last man in- scores tied - top edge pull shot- over square leg - it all came down to this ball. Catch taken we tie, missed and we lose. More screaming and yelling as the ball is in the air- Daniel Pesavento runs around underneath takes a great catch under extreme pressure – more screaming and yelling and CHEERING by everyone on and off the field. We TIED the match but came off WINNERS.</p> <p>Daniel's fielding through out the match was sensational having nearly taken the catch of the year earlier diving full length and saving a certain boundary as well as his courageous and coolness under pressure on the last ball. The high skier catch when the game is on the line is the most difficult catch to take. He never looked like missing it. Great effort Daniel - you deservedly won the Man of the Match points given your all round batting, bowling and fielding in this match. Other strong performances were put in by Daniel B who claimed 3 for 8 off his 8 overs plus a run out from the deep from a good chase and throw. Nicholas Chymiak finished with 2 for 4 off 5 overs and bowled a great length in his second spell. We took a long time to find the right length to bowl and when we did we got rewards. Our wides and no balls tally was 35 so we need to improve here if we are to challenge the strong Baulkham Hills side this week. Our fielding was generally good. An early run out by Joshua. Lost track but I think it was Nick P who took a catch at mid wicket. Otherwise we need to put the same energy into the beginning and middle stages as we did at the end of the Wenty innings. Other wicket takers were Liam 1 for 7, Daniel 1 for 10, and Varun 1 for 14. Games like this one show you how every run is important. Our batting the week before was hard going in the heavy conditions at Pendle Hill Park. A last wicket stand of 19 between Tim and Lachlan shows how everyone contributes to the end result. Top scorers were Patrick (13) and Will (12). Only 4 twos and 3 fours scored all match by both sides showed how long and heavy the grass was. Our running between the wickets and backing up was much improved. This was led by Nicholas P and Daniel P opening the batting and getting our scoring going immediately. Tim fought hard for his 6 not out and showed courage and determination to build our score up to a competitive total. This result was worth more than the 4 points for a tie. Given the near impossible situation we walked off feeling like we had won the game. Wenty went home very disappointed. Thanks to Mark Pesavento for scoring this match, staying balanced and reconciled under pressure.</p>				
<b>COACH:</b>	Peter O'Reilly		<b>ASST. COACH:</b>	Keith Bain
<b>MANAGER:</b>	Veena Satish		<b>CAPTAIN:</b>	Nicholas P
<b>SCORER:</b>	Mark Pesavento			

<b>11/1</b>	<b>V's</b>	<b>Baulkham Hills</b>	<b>ROUND</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>KL 66 &amp; 3/27 v Baulkham Hills 150 – KL lost on 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>			
<p>This was always going to be a tough match against the competition leaders Baulkham Hills. With the tropical weather and the jungle like conditions at Golden Grove we were lucky to get on the field both weeks. The Grove swimming pool resurfaced at one end but two bags of kitty litter did the job the first week. Anyway, at drinks we had Baulko 5 for 63 with some prospects of keeping them to a reasonable score. Their batting order had kept back their run scorers from the first game so it turned out not to be as we hoped as they progressed to 8 for 137 at stumps on the first day through some solid batting. With 3 additional overs bowled the second week they finished all out for 150 off 51 overs. Given they had beaten us outright in our earlier encounter and are well clear on the ladder their confidence</p>				

that they have our measure was understandable. Our bowling continues to be off-line and often off-length. We gave away far too many wides and no balls (49). When we hit the full length we often have success and can take wickets in batches of 3 or 4 at a time. Best bowlers were Liam 2-11 and Daniel B 2-12. Other wicket takers were Nick P (1-17), Blake (1-12), Joshua (1-11) and Daniel P (1-14). A direct hit run out was expertly executed by Daniel B and Tim's run in got us a run out also. Varun took a very smart catch at gully and Joshua was safe at mid wicket.

The second week the grass was even longer with some chance of a lost ball (or a short legged fielder!). The total became even bigger when we quickly lost 6 wickets for 12 runs. Our middle and tail dug in but we were eventually dismissed for 66 off 30 overs leaving enough time for them to have a second crack at an outright against us. Varun (13) and Patrick (9) offered the most resistance. In the second innings we hung in at 3 for 27 with Patrick 6 N.O and Nicholas P 4 N.O showing resolve and determination to keep their wickets intact. The Baulkham Hills side took a number of very good catches, bowled straight and batted strongly. We are improving and learning as the season progresses but need to get on top of a few things:

- Must bowl fuller length and at stumps.
- Intensity and activity in the field (moving in with the bowler)
- Work hard for every run (backing up and calling)
- Be harder to get out (defend the danger balls with straight bats).

Our next game is against Guildford Leagues who are challenging us for a place in the top 4. They have improved since we beat them first time around so it should be a good game. Thanks to Matt Reardon and Alan O'Brien for scoring this match.

<b>COACH:</b>	Peter O'Reilly	<b>ASST. COACH:</b>	Keith Bain
<b>MANAGER:</b>	Veena Satish	<b>CAPTAIN:</b>	Daniel Pesavento
<b>SCORER:</b>	Matt Reardon and Alan O'Brien		

<b>11/3</b>	<b>V's</b>	<b>Pendle Hill</b>	<b>ROUND</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>KL 53 v PHC 101 – KL lost on 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>			
<p>Pendle Hill batted first on an overcast morning. We bowled well early and had Pendle Hill in trouble at 6-48 but an excellent partnership saw the 7<sup>th</sup> wicket fall with the score on 93. We rallied again to dismiss Pendle Hill for 101. Jarad with 3-7 and Shaun Madden 2-6 were the pick of the bowlers. Shaun Mc, Matty G, Ryan, Frasier all picked up a wicket each. We fielded very well in wet conditions with Frasier and Matty G taking some excellent catches.</p> <p>We had to bat for 30 minutes at the end of day one and we encountered some excellent bowling. We finished the day at 4-10.</p> <p>Week 2 arrived and we encountered similar wet and showery conditions. We battled hard but in the end were dismissed for 53. Frasier, Shaun Mc, Jarad and Ray were the pick of the batsmen. Pendle Hill had another bat and finished at 4-54. Haydn picked up two wickets and Corey and Harrison chipped in with a wicket each.</p> <p>We now have the bye and are lying 4<sup>th</sup> on the ladder. We need a big win in our last game before Christmas to go into the break on a high note.</p>				
<b>MANAGER:</b>	Paul Giumelli			

<b>14/1</b>	<b>V's</b>	<b>Pendle Hill Colts</b>	<b>ROUND</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>KL 85 v PHC 6/91 - KL lost on 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>			
<p>We won the toss and chose to bat. The bowling was tight, and the ground damp from the rain. This made scoring difficult. The fall of wickets began early - in the 3rd over and we lost wickets relatively steadily with a very low scoring rate. The only resistance we offered was seen in the 5th &amp; 6th wicket partnerships of 27 and 15 runs, respectively - between Aaron and Daniel Lewis and Aaron and Daniel McMaster. The lower order batting also put up some resistance by way of staying at the crease and finally playing out 59 overs. We ended up with 85 in 59 overs</p>				

(71 off the bat, 14 sundries). KLCC Batting:

M. Stafford bowled – 1  
 S. Rahman caught – 5  
 U. Munusamy caught – 2  
 A. Khongwar caught – 29  
 D. Lewis LBW – 0  
 D. McMaster runout – 5  
 S. Madden caught – 14  
 M. Webster bowled – 6  
 D. Hawes not out 6  
 S. Kumar caught – 1  
 K. Vason bowled – 2  
 Extras: 14  
 TOTAL: 85 (in 59 overs)

Pendle Hill scored quickly until they lost their first wicket in the 15th over, with the score on 40, with Matt Stafford getting the breakthrough. Although Pendle Hill lost wickets, they finally reached their target of 86 runs, in the 33rd over after losing 5 wickets. They finally declared at 6-91, and put us in to bat again. Our bowling and fielding started to improve only as Pendle Hill approached their target. It took Pendle Hill about 7 overs to score three runs! However, it was too little too late.

We were asked to bat again, and Uvesh and Shezad opened the innings, scoring slowly until Uvesh (3) was out with the score on 13, in 13 overs. Dan McMaster joined Shezad, and the pair put on another 19 runs before time was up. Shezad doing the bulk of the scoring and finishing with his season's top score of 19 not out, and Dan remained not out on 2.

KLCC Bowling:

B. Clift 2-5  
 A. Khongwar 2-27  
 M. Stafford 1-13  
 D. McMaster 1-18  
 D. Hawes 0-12  
 M. Webster 0-14

<b>COACH:</b>	<b>Reg Munusamy</b>	<b>ASST. COACH:</b>	
<b>MANAGER:</b>	<b>Mahesh Shirali</b>	<b>CAPTAIN:</b>	<b>Aaron Khongwar</b>

<b>16/1</b>	<b>V's</b>	<b>Guildford Leagues</b>	<b>ROUND</b>	<b>5</b>
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<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>KL 8/133 v GL – KL won on 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>
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Rain again had effected the time available for playing cricket with week 1 a total washout. Week 2 became a one day game and with a rare win of the toss we decided to bat. Jack Bracey opened with Rocket Brown for a handy 35 run partnership. Regular partnerships followed to build a respectable total of 133 on a very slow outfield. Snowy Fleming got his 1<sup>st</sup> chance to bat this season and made the most of the opportunity top scoring with 22.

Our bowlers started well keeping Guildford to only 7 runs off the 1<sup>st</sup> 6 overs. The pressure worked with Rocket getting the break through, bowling the opening bat. Things were fairly slow for next 10 overs until a batting collapse occurred with 8 wickets falling in about 11 overs including 3 run outs. All the bowlers finished with good figures, with BTS 3 for 15. Fielding was solid with 5 catches and the 3 run outs. A good win keeps the team on top of the points table having played all the teams in the 16 1's comp.

<b>COACH</b>	<b>Paul Brown</b>		
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<b>16/1</b>	<b>V's</b>	<b>Wenty Waratahs</b>	<b>ROUND</b>	<b>6</b>
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<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>KL 5/163 v WW 133 – KL won on 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>		
<p>Another wet overcast morning for cricket. Wenty won the toss and elected to bat. The ball became quite wet and slippery which made bowling and fielding very difficult. Both opening bowlers took early wickets with Wenty struggling at 2 for 11 after 7 overs. Wickets fell regularly throughout the morning with Wenty being bowled out in the 46<sup>th</sup> over at 11.17am for 133. Even allowing for the wet conditions our fielding was not up to the standard normally expected and we gave the opposition a few more runs in their innings. Best bowling performances (Anthony Child 3/43 and Brains Ashby 2/13). We then batted for 30 minutes and at stumps were 1 for 19 after 9.</p> <p>Day 2 and Wenty were looking for an early breakthrough to get back into the game. Jack Bracey and Brad Madden were patient and confident but punished any loose balls. With a very good approach to the batting task they compiled a 96 2<sup>nd</sup> wicket partnership and took the game away from Wenty. Both boys ended up with 50's and it was the 1<sup>st</sup> half century for Brad in Junior club cricket (well done). Steve, Anthony, Snowy and Rocket all batted well to take the total past the 133. Play finished at 11 am with KL on 5 for 163.</p> <p>Good win with fielding practice on the agenda for the coming weeks.</p>			
<b>HONOUR ROLL</b>	Jack Bracey 50, Brad Madden 51		
<b>COACH</b>	Paul Brown		

<b>16/1 Michael Clarke 20/20 Competition</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>Normanhurst CC</b>	<b>Rd 2</b>	<b>14/11/07</b>
<b>RESULT</b>	<b>KL 9/111 v Normanhurst 47</b>			
<p>Round 2 game for 20/20 we travelled up to Normanhurst and were lucky to get the game underway due to thunderstorms and lightening. Brownie won the toss again and we elected to bat. Brains picked the opening bat position from the hat and was looking forward to plenty of runs, but with the nature of 20/20 cricket wickets can happen pretty quickly. We lost 6 wickets in 12 overs but were scoring at 6 runs per over and ended up at 9 for 111 after 20. Anthony Child 24 no and Steve Bristow 28 were the pick of the bats.</p> <p>Our bowlers were just too accurate and kept taking wickets on a regular basis with Normanhurst never getting higher than 3 runs per over, finishing all out in the 17<sup>th</sup> over for 47. Bowlers Quincy Titterton 3 for 8, Anthony Child 2 for 7, Scrooge Turner 2 for 5. Brains got a direct hit for a great run out and Rocket took a screamer in the outfield. Scott Madden (specialist fielder) took 3 good catches.</p> <p>The boys celebrated the win with dinner at Macca's and are looking forward to the next game.</p>				

<b>16/1 Michael Clarke 20/20 Competition</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>Mortdale CC</b>	<b>Rd 3</b>	<b>5/12/07</b>
<b>RESULT</b>	<b>KL 143 v Mortdale 9/77</b>			
<p>Round 3 game for 20/20 was a knockout game, however as the No2 ranked team we would go through even with a loss. Mortdale travelled to Pearce and Brownie got 3 in a row for toss wins. In for a bat we were missing 3 of our regular bats so we decided to give a few of our bowlers a go in the designated batting roles. BTS and Steve got off to a positive quick start with BTS hitting a great straight drive for 4. With Brownie joining Steve the scored raced to 47 off 7 overs. Snowy was unlucky again to be run-out, then Brains went into full assault mode with 33 off 23 balls. Quincy finished the batting off well with 9no including a 4 off the 2<sup>nd</sup> last ball. Batting (S Bristow 26, Brownie 38 including 3 sixes and Brains 33)</p> <p>Our bowlers were a bit too good for Mortdale (who have only just moved from U14's to U16's) and had the opposition at 6-24 after 8 overs. With Steve keeping up to Quincy, he took 2 stumpings and 2 catches. Brains also got 2 catches. Quincy ended with 4 for 7 and Rocket 2 for 15 for the opening bowling spell. Brains came on in the 13<sup>th</sup> over and bowling a mixture of left arm medium, right arm pace and occasional leg spin took 3 for 22 including 1 bowled with left arm medium!! Mortdale finished at 9 for 77 after 20.</p>				

The game was played in great spirit. The players, officials and parents from Mortdale were a great group and enjoyed a BBQ after the game. Thanks to all. We now progress to the Quarter Finals.

<b>16/2</b>	<b>V's</b>	<b>BAULKHAM HILLS</b>	<b>ROUND</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>KL 137 v Baulkham Hills 87 - KL won on 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>			
<p>Once again, we were confronted with wet weather and a waterlogged pitch. Credit to Baulkham Hills, they were keen to play and after some effort by the adults to scrape mud and water off the pitch, we agreed to a late start. Quincy won the toss for us and we sent Baulko in, owing to the very damp conditions and long grass. It must have been the hour or so waiting around because the morning's cricket was very skittish. Baulko made some very hare brained running decisions and we reciprocated by some crazy fielding. It all seemed like we were very hypo. Daniel got 2 early breakthroughs, bowling a good tight opening spell and they were 2/9. There was a good partnership then and Melvin just as they may have been getting on top, produced two magnificent deliveries to clean bowl their main batsmen. The first drinks break came and Baulko were 4/60. Ankit came on to vary the pace and he got two valuable breakthroughs, by tossing the ball up and making the batsman play. Well done Ankit - 2/12. Daniel came back late and picked up a third wicket and Leo took his 3rd catch in the gully. Great fielding Leo! All out 87 did not seem too big a target. We had time for 4 overs and Mark and Tyler opened to try and take advantage of the harder ball, plus Mark was not available next week. Tyler hit a great 6 and there was a quick fire opening partnership of 16. Unfortunately, both were out to reckless shots, leaving us 2/20 at stumps.</p> <p>The second week dawned beautifully clear and warm. We did shuffle the order around to give guys a bat who hadn't batted in recent weeks and just like against Wenty Waratahs it didn't necessarily work so well for us. Melvin through it all batted beautifully and was the solid anchor - he finished with 47, hitting out to try and get his 50. The only other score of note was Harmon's 12 - he added 22 with Melvin to take us a bit close to victory, but it was left to Waseef to combine with Melvin and get us past the total with 8 wickets down. We continued batting and Waseef finished with 22 not out, a great innings. A 68 run partnership for the 9th wicket was excellent. A promotion may be in store for you Waseef! All in all, a good victory - two in a row now boys. Next week is tough with 3 guys away - we will have to play 1 short against Wenty Leagues, who are a pretty good side and the coach will be on hols. I'm sure you will give a good account of yourselves.</p>				
<b>HONOUR ROLL:</b>	Leo NELSON 3 catches			
<b>COACH:</b>	MALCOLM PASS	<b>MANAGER:</b>	MARK ALBERT	

<b>A Grade</b>	<b>V's</b>	<b>Wenty Waratahs</b>	<b>ROUND</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Kings Langley 5/200 v Waratahs 9/198 – KL won on 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>			
<p>What a win! After 3 wash outs in a row, we were getting a bit frustrated when the first week of this game was also washed out. It seemed we were to be the spectators of the season. However, a break in the rain and some saw dust (thanks Singers) saw us get on with a 42 over match. After winning the toss Waratahs elected to bat, and following some poor catching efforts managed an opening partnership of 75. Dobbo again bowled well, being unlucky not to claim a few scalps, finishing with 0/24 off 10 overs and another tidy display. Matt Rice also bowled well claiming 2/39 off 9 overs., whilst Terry, Wes and Andrew (Tets) all took a wicket each. Apart from some poor catching efforts, Waratahs innings was dominated by 1 player who scored 78, including 9 sixes! Even his miss-hits cleared the boundary and it seemed to be his day. However, when his wicket fell, Waratahs were 5/192, with 220+ in their sights. His wicket was taken by Michael Finch in his first over in A Grade. He finished with 4/4 off 2 overs, and definitely made a huge difference by holding them to a score of 198, instead of around 220. Matt Rice also bowled a good second last over taking 1/3, and a win was now on the cards.</p> <p>As Dan Rice and Todd 'Swifty' Swift took to the crease, there was a sense that something special was gonna happen today. Dan was looking good when he again was unfortunately given out LBW. The score was only 9, and a wobble was put into the chase. In came Dobbo!!! With a dominating innings he hit 4 sixes scoring 54. His partnership with Swifty took the score to 85, Swifty finishing with 21. Confident innings from both Matt K. (26) and Matt R (25), saw</p>				

us on 5/149 when Michael Finch and Wes came together. No more wickets fell, as Wes batted a steady end to Finchy's awesome innings of 39 not out. His control and temperament were far beyond his years as he hit 4 sixes to see us reach the target with an over in hand. Wes remained 13 not out, as our first win was chalked up from 3 completed matches. With the bye this game, the guys that didn't umpire the first round need to chip in and do their part, so we get our 10 points. As we head into a short break, the 3 one-day games are critical to seeing us make our way to the top. Our bowling and fielding can still improve, so as we bring that together (as we are more than capable of doing) we will become the force we know we can be. Have a very Merry Christmas all, and a happy and safe New Year.

Thanks again to Darryl Sinclair for his scoring and all his help. Paul Harvey and Shaun from 14 Degrees, and John at Lifetime Distributors for their sponsorship and support. Paul the shirts look great!  
Cheers Sean

<b>HONOUR ROLL:</b>	John Dobson 54		
<b>SCORER:</b>	Darryl Sinclair	<b>CAPTAIN:</b>	Sean Pracey