



Kings Langley Cricket Club

Senior Match Report – Round 14

Team	A Grade	Round	14
Result	KL Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 173 Guildford Leagues - 143
Honour Roll	Yusof Brown 5/22		

Team	A Res	Round	14
Result	KL Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 8/233 AKA – 9/241

Team	B 1	Round	14
Result	KL Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 154 The Bulls - 130

Team	B 2	Round	14
Result	BYE		

Team	B 4	Round	14
Result	KL Lost Outright	Score	Kings Langley – 115 & 142 Pendle Hill - 258



Team	B 7A	Round	14
Result	KL Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 85 Hills Barbarians - 141
Honour Roll	Quincy Titterton 6/31		

Team	B 7B	Round	14
Result	KL Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 164 Greystanes - 156
Honour Roll	N.Joshi 54		

Match Report

Coming into the last round in 4th place and playing 5th place, we knew the winner will go through to the finals and the loser would pack away the gear for another season. We started well by winning the toss and decided to bat. Some early wickets and a slow start were not looking good. Nishan was trying his best as opener and put on 24 before getting out. Neeraj and Mehul came together for a 60 run partnership before Neeraj was out for 54. Eric joined Mehul and they put on another 40 runs before Eric fell on 12 and Mehul on 43. We ended up with 164 by the end of the day.

Day 2 and we had to take wickets otherwise it was the end. With a fielder short we roped in the services of Sean Pracey who showed up to watch his son, Chris, play. We couldn't have started better with Yog and Ragulan taking a wicket in each of the first 2 overs. Yog's 4th over netted another 2 wickets and Greystanes were reeling at 4 for 14 and we were only into the 7th over, followed by 4 maidens in a row. Greystanes became defensive, however, the lack of runs only frustrated themselves and we bagged another 4 wickets to have them 8 for 45 in the 27th over, 2 hours into the innings.

Then came the classic case of taking the foot of the pedal and it was another 50 runs before we took another wicket. One to go and still 60 runs behind. The last pair also started to accumulate runs and you could sense the shift in dominance. Misfields started occurring as quick singles were being taken. A couple of dropped chances heightened the tension. With less than 10 runs the difference Gaj threw the ball to Kartik, who hadn't had a bowl all day, with instructions for a miracle. Dot, dot, wide, than another dot, followed by another dot and then another dot. Last ball of the over and only one run had been given away. Kartik ambled in and pitched it on a good length. The batter swung and missed. Kartik had bowled true and the ball slammed into middle stump. It became mayhem out in the middle. Even Sean couldn't contain his excitement. We were into the finals.

We were in for yet another surprise when the other results came through. Last place had beaten third and we were catapulted into third place and avoided playing the dominant Seven Hills RSL side. We have had a great run in the second half of the season and it is in our hands what happens next. Good luck to all the teams who made the finals.



Team	B 9	Round	14
Result	KL Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 230 Wenty Leagues - 158
Honour Roll	B.Arthurs 51, G.Nix 65		

Team	B 11	Round	14
Result	KL Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 157 Pendle Hill - 118
Honour Roll	Daniel Embleton 55		

Team	B 12	Round	14
Result	KL won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 207 AKA - 204
Honour Roll	Gavin Strangwick 67 no, P.Mitrovich 52		

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Whilst the result of this match was going to do little to alter either teams finishing position on the ladder the Kings Langley boys were very keen to test themselves against the undefeated AKA team. After we won the toss and sent AKA into bat KL were quickly into gear having them reeling at 2/0 with JC and Pete taking an early wicket each. A 68 run stand for the 3rd wicket was finally broken when JC took his second wicket. From this point wickets fell regularly as AKA moved on to 9/160. As has been the case a few times this season we struggled to get the last wicket, finally JC got the job done and we had them out for 204. JC bowled the best he had all season to finish with 3/46 of 17 overs. Paul and Shane grabbed 2 each, Pete and Shay one a piece. Our batting started badly losing Shay for a quacker and Shane for a couple. Paul and Pete came together to steady the ship and put on an excellent 61 run partnership. After Paul got out for 24, big Pete decided to open up the shoulders and hit some massive blows as he raced to his first ever half century (52). After Pete's innings ended, Ant came and went quickly to have us at 5/111 and the game in the balance. The Captain and Vice Captain the came together for an entertaining unbeaten 96 run partnership to safely see us pass the AKA total with 5 wickets in hand. The old Bloke finished 67 not out and in a welcome return to form Vice Captain Stork was 25 not out.

Captain	Gavin Strangwick		
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Team	B 13	Round	14
Result	BYE		



Team	B 14	Round	14
Result	KL Won Outright	Score	Kings Langley – 205 Seven Hills – 54 & 133
Honour Roll	Steve Scrimshaw 56, Mark Allport 57, Jayson Baker 5/20		

Team	C Grade	Round	14
Result	KL Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 148 Pendle Hill - 192

Match Report

The final round saw us fighting for a top two finish. The competition has really tightened up, with only a few points separating the top 4 teams. Having won the toss, KL decided to bat. Mitch and Ankit batted really well, resisting Pendle Hill's opening bowlers. They hit out on the loose stuff and defended the good balls well. A solid stand of 42 ended when Mitch "walked" after nicking to the keeper. I don't think the umpire was going to give him out, so well done Mitch - excellent sportsmanship! From there, we lost wickets steadily, which was disappointing - we all made starts but basically got ourselves out. Michael Turner and Daniel added 30 valuable runs for the 8th wicket, but we were dismissed for a disappointing 148. Richard got a good 26, Ankit top scored with 27 but otherwise not so good.

Left with an hour and a half to bowl, we thought we could charge in and make early inroads. Unfortunately, we really lost the game in this session - dropped catches, bizarre fielding and generally being distracted by spectators and our own desire to be intense, meant we finished the day with Pendle Hill at 1/97. It was a disappointing end to the day. Thankfully, we had a week to reflect on our errors and when we returned for day two, we were determined to put our best foot forward - to play sensible and focussed cricket, like we have most other weeks.

I was pleased with our effort the second week. Michael Turner opened the bowling and got a wicket in the first over! Daniel kept the pressure up from the other end and swung the ball well away from the batsman. A good slip catch by Dean and a sharp one in the gully from Leo both off Daniel's bowling saw Pendle Hill suddenly 4/103. Could we pull off a miracle?

Dean replaced Daniel and promptly took 2 wickets in his first over - a caught behind and bowled. Pendo 6/124 - still 25 to get and we were into the tail! Unfortunately, the small ground meant one guy managed to slog a few 6s and got them over the line. Mal took a wicket and Leo and Mitch came on at the end and picked up a wicket each. Leo and Tyler took 2 catches each for the innings. Even though we lost, we had taken 9/95 today - a great effort and a good one to focus on for next weeks semi final. Bowling figures - Daniel 3/39, Dean 3/37, and Michael T 1/14.

Even though we have now lost our last 3 matches in a row, and they are all of the teams in the finals, we can still look towards giving it our best shot next week. So guys - I have enjoyed playing with you each week. We have achieved well and no matter what the result, we have exhibited good team spirit and cooperation.

Bring on Guildford (probably) next week.

Captain	Malcolm Pass
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