



# Kings Langley Cricket Club

## Semi Finals

<b>Team</b>	16/1	<b>Round</b>	Semi
<b>Result</b>	KL Won 1 <sup>st</sup> Innings	<b>Score</b>	Kings Langley – 8/210 Rouse Hill Rams - 130
<b>Honour Roll</b>	Brad Smith 72		

<b>Team</b>	16/2	<b>Round</b>	Semi
<b>Result</b>	KL Won 1 <sup>st</sup> Innings	<b>Score</b>	Kings Langley – 102 Seven Hills - 58

<b>Team</b>	15/2	<b>Round</b>	Semi
<b>Result</b>	KL Won 1 <sup>st</sup> Innings	<b>Score</b>	Kings Langley – 8/231 Pendle Hill - 103
<b>Honour Roll</b>	Tim Mayfield 63		

<b>Team</b>	15/3	<b>Round</b>	Semi
<b>Result</b>	KL Lost 1 <sup>st</sup> Innings	<b>Score</b>	Kings Langley – 65 Kellyville - 120
<b>Honour Roll</b>	Joshua Nicholas 3 Catches		

<b>Team</b>	14/1	<b>Round</b>	Semi
<b>Result</b>	KL Won 1 <sup>st</sup> Innings	<b>Score</b>	Kings Langley – 4/136 Baulkham Hills B - 89
<b>Honour Roll</b>	Jordon Mulder Retired Hurt 50, Luke De Sylva Retired Hurt 50		



<b>Team</b>	<b>14/2</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley - 105 Greystanes - 110</b>

**Match Report**

Greystanes won the toss & chose to bat Their openers are the main batsman of the team. Mathew & Nathan bowled extremely well & kept them under pressure. Dulan took a great catch of Nathans bowling to get the first wicket. He injured his finger in doing so; Doctor Gav had to fix it! Then the wickets started to tumble Cale their no 1 batsman was stuck @ the other end as Chris & Nathen tore thru the middle order. Luke got the all important wicket of Cale & Dulan picked up the next two, 8/81 Then the game got away from us with some big hitting by the tail to get to 110. KL had only 1 over to bat for the day & with Patrick injured Brayden & Dulan opened the innings, Unfortunately Brayden got a ripper of a delivery to be bowled. Luke came in as night watchman & kept his wicket intact. A beautiful day greeted us on Sunday with Luke & Dulan digging in. They batted extremely well against some very good bowling & put on 20 runs before Dulan was out then Luke tapped one around the leg side to be caught. A fine 13 his best score well played. Diwan 9 & Japs 7, were soon out 5/39 & in trouble, then Mathew & Chris got us back in the match with some fine shots & great running between the wickets until Chris played a nothing shot to be caught. Jason came in next & they put together a quick 22 run partnership to get us to 102 then 3 quick wickets fell. Mathew was stuck @ the other end 9/104. Patrick with his injured back got padded up to help the Team because we would have been 1 player short. Thankyou Patrick for making the effort to play today he made 1 run but then was given LBW to end the innings Leaving Mathew shattered @ the other end 34no One of the gutsiest knocks I've seen for a long time. So our arch rivals Greystanes won & will play the winner of Pendle Hill & Baulko in the GF. Thankyou Gav & Ken for a great season Thankyou to the Parents for supporting the boys each week Wayne & Jann for those great sausage bacon & egg sangers See you all next season.

<b>Coach</b>	<b>Gavin Strangwick</b>	<b>Manager</b>	<b>David Jenkin</b>
<b>Assistant Coach</b>	<b>Ken Baker</b>	<b>Captain</b>	<b>Chris Jenkin</b>



<b>Team</b>	<b>12/1</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 9/36 Baulkham Hills – 3/37</b>

### Match Report

The first day was washed out when the heavens opened up just before the start of play in our semi-final match against Baulkham Hills. At about 9.30 am with the pitch saturated and one end a pool of water, coaches and umpires agreed that there was little prospect of play. This was unfortunate as most games in the areas went ahead and our boys were keen to get out there even though we had lost the toss.

An early start on Sunday in the Crestwood fog meant a re-toss of the coin. Will Reardon, our captain was successful this time with the toss and decided to bat. Our aim was to score 90 runs if possible in the 31 overs by running our singles, backing up at the bowler's end and good quick calls and responses.

We fell short of our target and did not implement out batting and running between the wicket plan. By not moving the field around with short singles Baulko were able to easily cut off our scoring chances in the slow outfield. Baulko took 3 excellent catches including a spectacular diving catch behind square to dismiss Patrick.

Our slow batting at the top of the order put immense pressure on the lower order. When the game called for some risk taking and aggressive shots and running we were unable to get out of first gear such that our scoring rate was barely matching the overs being bowled. This played into Baulko's hands. Finishing at 9 for 36 is never going to win you many games let alone a semi -final against a very well drilled side like Baulkham Hills. None of our batters got going. Will was unfortunately run out in a mix up with Patrick. It is never good to see both batsmen at the same end and despite going all the way down the wicket Will nearly made it back to the other end.

Baulko had little trouble in knocking off the required runs in 15 overs losing only 3 wickets. If a miracle was to happen we needed to take all our chances. Instead, we dropped the BH opener (20 not out) 3 times and also missed an easy run out. Simply put we were not on our game. Our wicket takers were Simreet and Varun.

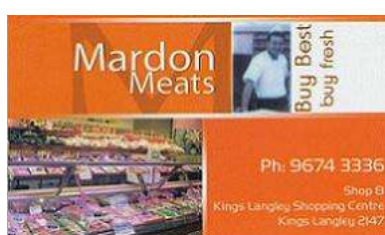
A very disappointing effort all round. Certainly not the way we wanted to finish the season. Particularly disappointing was that we did not have 100% commitment from all players to the team strategy and put our supporters through torture in our batting effort.

Final score: KL 9 for 36 lost to Baulkham Hills 3 for 37 on first innings.

Thanks to Michael Beattie and Keith Bain for scoring this match and to Jarad Wyton for the 12-2's for helping us out on the Sunday.

<b>Coach</b>	<b>Peter O'Reilly</b>	<b>Manager</b>	<b>Veena Naidu</b>
<b>Assistant Coach</b>	<b>Michael Beattie</b>	<b>Captain</b>	<b>Will Reardon</b>
<b>Scorer</b>	<b>Keith Bain Michal Beattie</b>		

<b>Team</b>	<b>11/1</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Lost 1<sup>st</sup> innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 44 Greystanes - 99</b>



<b>Team</b>	<b>A Res</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 132 NSW Tamils - 133</b>

<b>Team</b>	<b>B 1</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Won 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 85 &amp; 5/46 AKA – 67 &amp; 89</b>

<b>Team</b>	<b>B 4</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Won 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 184 Pendle Hill - 54</b>

<b>Team</b>	<b>B7A</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 144 Parramatta Crusaders - 178</b>

<b>Team</b>	<b>B7B</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 239 UTY &amp; VOT – 9/243</b>
<b>Honour Roll</b>	<b>N.Joshi 61, M.Medhekar 56</b>		

### Match Report

We found our way, unrepentantly, into the semi-final. We were relaxed because we felt we had nothing to lose after planning end of season activities with only 2 rounds of the competition left. Winning the toss and having learnt the lesson during the competition we decided to bat. A short delay due to wet weather was only going to help to dampen the ball. Our openers, Gaj and Nishan, got off to a good start before Gaj was out on 14, a partnership of 28 setting the tone. Neeraj was hitting some big scores lately and continued on his way. A 40 run partnership with Nishan, who got out on 22, saw the other side scratching their heads. Jenahan joined Neeraj and they continued with a 56 run partnership before Neeraj was out on 61. Another inform batter, Mehul, joined Jenahan and they put on another 44 runs when Jenahan was out on 36. Mehul got to his maiden half century before getting out on 56. Ragulan put on a quick 16, but the others couldn't keep it going. We made 239, our highest score of the season and the first time lasting the full 70 overs.

Into day 2 and now the boys were feeling confident, more so when the big hitting opener was out for 4 in the second over. The opposition settled down and started to put together some partnerships, but we were still taking a few wickets. The fifth wicket partnership started unsettling us with 82 runs and the total sneaking up to 200. We finally had the 5th wicket out with the total on 162. Another big hitter come in and smashed 23 in 4 overs and to really deflate the egos. We had them 6 for 191 and with a drinks break with the score on 199 we decided it was all or nothing. We took the new ball out and as soon as a run was scored we took it with immediate success, 7 for 205. They still had their top scorer in and needed to get him. The other wicket fell and they were 8 for 221. Edging closer, the other side were getting noisy until we got the highest scorer out only 3 runs short of the target. It was clear the last two batters were praying for a miracle and after facing two overs of the ball whistling past the bat and without scoring any runs, one batter decided to close his eyes and have a swing. It was the only way he was going to hit it and it sailed over the boundary to end our dreams. O so close.

<b>Team</b>	<b>B 12</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Won 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 9/269 Winston Hills - 129</b>
<b>Honour Roll</b>	<b>Gavin Strangwick 113, Gavin Strangwick 5/6</b>		

#### Match Report

KL won the toss and elected to bat in overcast conditions, Kenny Baker proved that he is human and was out early for a quacker. The loss of the early wicket seemed to spark Shay as he knuckled down to play a very responsible innings of 34 and in doing so set the game up for the middle order to put the foot on the gas and score runs at good pace. After Shay was finally dismissed for his best innings for the season and Shane came and went cheaply, Ant and the 'Old Bloke' joined forces to take the game right up to the Winston Hills bowlers. A surprisingly subdued Ant was all concentration as his Winston Hills nemesis attempted to bait him and distract him. Ant whet on to make a solid 41 and provide a great platform for the 'Old Bloke' to feast on the fatigued Winnie bowlers. Stork joined in the party and continued his recent good form as did Pete and Paul with entertaining cameos, Renny hit the biggest six of the game and 'H' played some lovely shots towards the end of our innings. Whilst all this was going on the 'Old Bloke' was having a little party of his own knocking up 113 runs to steer the team to a very competitive 9/269. Day 2 started well for KL with JC and 'H' bowling a tight line and quickly had the Winnie boys in trouble with a couple of wickets each. Pete bowled well with little luck and Shay had them jumping around with his pace and bounce.

Once our boys had dismisses the top order the Vice Captain gave the order for the 'Old Bloke' to stop bludging and have a bowl.

With little resistance from the tail Gav finished with 5/6 of 7 overs - "good call Stork", Winston Hills were eventually all out for 129 giving KL a comfortable win and a Grand Final berth.

Well done boys

<b>Captain</b>	<b>Gavin Strangwick</b>		
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<b>Team</b>	<b>B 13</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 146 Baulkham Hills - 166</b>

<b>Team</b>	<b>B 14</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Won 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 8/266 NSW Tamils - 205</b>
<b>Honour Roll</b>	<b>Mark Allport 69</b>		



<b>Team</b>	<b>C Grade</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Semi</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>KL Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Kings Langley – 69 Guildford Leagues – 83 &amp; 4/69</b>

### Match Report

Semi-final day began wetter than I thought - it was meant to be sunny I heard! Anyway, I lost the toss and Guildford elected to bat, which I wasn't necessarily unhappy about, as I think bowling is our strength. The ground had HUGE boundaries and longish grass and scoring did prove difficult. The grass was wet also, which meant the ball did get waterlogged pretty quickly also. Daniel and Michael Turner opened the bowling and after a few wayward overs, Michael zoned right in on the stumps and removed both openers bowled - Guildford were 2/11. Tyler and Mal then bowled and we were unable to get any more breakthroughs in the first hour. Guildford's number 3 was batting very well and Dean came on to bowl and had a caught and bowled chance which unfortunately went begging. Just when it seemed like Guildford were maybe going to get away on us, Daniel was reintroduced into the attack and bowled the other batsman who had been providing steady support. He let the ball go and it cut back from outside the stumps to bowl him. Great work Daniel! Guildford continued on to 3/70 before Mitch Alberts came on as our secret weapon. Bowling very straight and getting just enough movement, Mitch wreaked havoc. He clean bowled 2 batsmen in quick succession and then Daniel dismissed D Fogarty for 51 with a brilliant diving catch in the slips from Deano. Kings were back in it very much! The collapse continued - Mitch snapped up a brilliant diving catch at midwicket off Daniel and then Daniel, continuing to move the ball away, snared a caught behind (Richard) and then another catch to Dean at 1st slip. Mitch picked up another wicket; courtesy of a catch at mid-on to Mal. Guildford had gone from 3/70 to all out 83 - a remarkable collapse. Daniel had picked up his 3rd 5 wicket haul for the season with 5/20 while Mitch had the remarkable figures of 6 - 3 - 3/4.

So, it was up to us if we were good enough to bat and pass the score to get into the final. Unfortunately, Mitch and Ankit, who have provided such good partnerships through the year, fell early and then when Esteban also was bowled, we were looking very sick at 3/10. Mal had also done his calf muscle and had to call for a runner, for the second time this year against Guildford. Mal and Dean then had a good partnership and had got Kings to just over halfway to the target when Dean unfortunately was run out trying to sneak a second run, Mal was then caught skying a pull shot and at 5/49, it was again a game in the balance. I was very disappointed to get out so close to stumps - what would have been if I was still there the next day! Daniel and Michael saw us to stumps, though not before Daniel was dropped off the second last ball of the day!

On the second day, hope was still there in our minds, but Guildford's left arm bowler L Cocks tore us apart with some fine swing bowling. He finished with 6/11 and we unfortunately could only muster 69. Our batting scorecard saw Mal with 27, Dean with 11 and Richard with 7.

Our only hope was to quickly get Guildford out again and so, we started off with Michael and Daniel. Michael again got an early wicket but Guildford soon got to 1/31 before we again tossed the ball to Mitch. What a dynamo - Mitch proceeded to scythe through, with 3 wickets. Obviously inspired by Libby's presence, who had called in to see how we were going, we continued to press for further breakthroughs, but from 4/33, Guildford consolidated. Two young guys who are fine solid batsmen held us out and eventually, I gave everyone a bowl to finish off our season and we called the game at 4.30pm. Mitch Alberts had amazing figures of 6 - 5 3 for 2. That's match figures of 6 for 6 off 12 overs!

Although we bowled out, it was a pleasure to play with the guys this year. Everyone gave their best and we had some memorable moments - above all, we had fun and all players achieved individual highlights during the year, Well done - don't know if we'll get together next year to do it again, but I hope you all continue to play for KL! Cheers! A huge thanks to Mark Alberts who faithfully came every week to score for us and provide some well judged advice and tips to support us through the campaign.

<b>Captain</b>	<b>Malcolm Pass</b>	<b>Scorer</b>	<b>Mark Alberts</b>
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