



Kings Langley Cricket Club

Match Reports – Round 1

Honour Roll

Name	Team	Achievement	Opponent	Round
Hayden Illingworth	11/2	52 no	Hills Barbarians	R1
Ryan Corby	12/1	65 no	Greystanes	R1
Ben P	12/1	3 Catches	Greystanes	R1
Jarad Wyton	13/3A	91	Pendle Hill	R1
Patrick Lee	15/2	64	Wenty Leagues	R1
Brayden Gibson	16/1A	108 Retired	Kings Langley	R1
Alex Monaghan	16/1B	54	Kings Langley	R1
Steven Jessop	16/2	4 Catches	Seven Hills RSL	R1
Brent McNee	A Grade	128 no	Hills Barbarians	R1
Brad Smith	A Grade	114	Hills Barbarians	R1
Todd Swift	A Res	83	Hills Barbarians	R1
Daniel Rice	A Res	57	Hills Barbarians	R1
Jason Dowie	B1	50	Wenty Leagues	R1
Aaron Turner	B1	5/32	Wenty Leagues	R1
Alvin	B6	97	Parramatta Crusaders	R1
Jenahan	B6	137	Parramatta Crusaders	R1
Senal	B6	5 Wickets	Parramatta Crusaders	R1
Ben Arthur	B9	62	Baulkham Hills	R1
Adam Blackman	B9	5/42	Baulkham Hills	R1
Malcolm Pass	B11	68	Greystanes	R1
Mark Grinham	B11	50 no	Greystanes	R1
Tyler Hodson	B11	5/19	Greystanes	R1
Paul MacNamara	B13	100	NSW Tamils	R1
Mark Anderson	B13	50	NSW Tamils	R1
Mark Anderson	B13	3 Catches	NSW Tamils	R1
Alex Monaghan	B15	54	Rouse Hill Rams	R1

Junior Match Reports

Team	Modified Red	Round	R1
Result	Result not known	Score	

Team	Modified White	Round	R1
Result	Lost	Score	Kings Langley – Avg 9.2 Kellyville – Avg 18.3

Match Report

After finally finding the correct field we lost the toss and Kellyville batted. Kellyville were a player short and we had an extra player so Lachlan offered (along with almost all of the rest of the team) to have a bat for Kellyville. Like a true sportsman Lachlan performed well (second best batting figures) for the opposition, which didn't help our cause at all.

A bemused coach and manager decided on a complex strategy for the bowling order, so alphabetical it was. We had a mix of new players and returned players from last year. Our bowling performance showed that this was the first innings of a new year, however there were several very close calls as well. With a little consistency we will build a formidable bowling attack. Wickets from Shivansh, Ronit, Nathan S, Tyson and Matthew (out last five bowlers) gave the opposition an average of 18.3. Thanks to Nathan S for his continuous rendition of the Macarena throughout the innings, it kept the umpire entertained through the slower periods.

Day two started with all players excited to get into the pads and helmets. We only lost 2 wickets in the first 13 overs which is a vast improvement over last years start. Brittany, Nathan F, Ryan, Lachlan, Nathan S and Matthew all performed well with the bat all scoring off the bat but the two stand outs were Blake (8) and Tyson (5) scoring a 4 each. Our batting showed lots of promise; we just need to protect our stumps a little more. At the end of the day our average was 9.2.

Well done guys, a great match played in the spirit of the game.

Coach	Ray Maher	Manager	Mike & Libby Brown
Scorer	Ray & Libby		

Team	Modified Blue	Round	R1
Result	Result Not Known	Score	



Team	11/1	Round	R1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 9/134 Wenty Waratahs – 4/162
<u>Match Report</u>			
The season begins			
Week one: We lost the toss and were sent in to bat, we managed to bat for the full 55 overs which was very pleasing and reached a total of 9/134. Gurnoor top scored with 36 a great effort and he was well supported by Joseph 10, Aryian 16 and Dylan B 17 not out!			
Week two: This seemed a defendable total but some wayward bowling (too many down leg side) and some fairly average fielding allowed Wenty to score freely. Our best bowling performances came from; Gurnoor 7 overs 1/7, Gabriel 5 overs 1/10, Dylan B 4 overs 0/7, Nathan 6 overs 0/9 and Joseph 6 overs 0/13. Pretty good first up effort, I'm sure we can improve on this as the season progresses!! -Sarah Tunks (match reporter)			
Coach	Peter Tunks	Manager	Claire
Scorer	Claire & Mark	Captain	Nathan

Team	11/2	Round	R1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 8/148 Hills Barbarians – 2/151

Team	12/1	Round	R1
Result	Won Outright	Score	Kings Langley – 7/206 Greystanes – 50 & 107
<u>Match Report</u>			
<p>The opening match of the season pitted last season's semi final combatants against each other. Greystanes again won the toss but this time elected to bowl. A solid start from KL openers Frasier & Shaun M set the platform for a solid KL batting display. The top order all contributed as KL reached 3-78 at drinks. Post drinks, the heat took its toll on the Greystanes players and Shaun M (30), Daniel B (22) and Ryan C (64n.o) capitalised. Ryan in particular with some controlled power hitting. KL ended the day at 7-206.</p> <p>The boys arrived for week 2 anticipating a long hard battle in the field as Greystanes are renowned for their strong batting. However an inspired display of controlled bowling and excellent catching put Greystanes on the back foot from the start and from there KL controlled the innings. A brilliant opening bowling spell from Daniel B (2-3 off 3overs) set the tone and some excellent spin bowling from Matthew G (3-2 off 3 overs) saw Greystanes dismissed for 50.</p> <p>KL enforced the follow on in an attempt to give the bowlers some practice and also hoping force an unlikely outright victory. However, Daniel B picked up an early wicket and new recruit Nick S (3-19) set up the chance of outright victory. Greystanes dug in as we knew they would but again the slow bowling combination of Matt G (2-3 off 5 overs), Corey Mc and Shaun Mc took control. Corey picking up a vital wicket with 6 overs to play and Matthew picking up wicket in the second last over. It was then all up to skipper, Shaun Mc to bowl KL to an unlikely outright win and that he did knocking over the stumps of then Greystanes batsman with 3 balls to spare.</p> <p>It was a very pleasing effort by KL with the coach particularly happy with the team performance. All players contributed with whole squad of 12 either taking a wicket or a catch and 10 of the 11 bowlers used picking up a wicket.</p>			
Coach	Michael Beattie	Manager	Paul G

Scorer	Craig Mc	Captain	Shaun Mc
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Team	12/2	Round	R1
Result	bye		

Team	13/1	Round	R1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 103 Pendle Hill – 9/264

Match Report

We were up against the newly promoted premiers from Division 2 in our first game at our new home ground of Allen Robertson. The three new players into the U13 Div1 team for this year were awarded their caps before the start of play. Best wishes to Ethan Austin and Daniel Dumbrell, promoted from the Division 2 and 3 sides from last year, and to Robert Williamson, who has joined us from Hills Ba Bas. Welcome also to the new families joining us for this year.

Being sent into bat we were quickly in trouble against some good bowling. Our openers Daniel Pesavento and Nick Chymiak had a tough time with Daniel beaten by an in-swing in the first over and Nick being struck on the arm and having to retire hurt. Patrick O'Reilly steadied the innings at first wicket down and at 2 for 50 after an hour things were improving. However, Patrick was out immediately after drinks for 32 (5 fours) and then there was just a steady procession of wickets to be all out for 103 off 46 overs. This was not enough runs on a fast ground and disappointing because of a number of soft dismissals to easy catches. Our running between the wickets cost us plenty of runs as we turned 2s into 1s and 1s into 0s etc....

A short bowling spell at Pendle Hill got us to 4 for 39 by the end of the days play with the match evenly poised if we could get a couple of early wickets. Two good wickets to Robert Williamson in his first match for Kings Langley was great to see. Congratulations Robert! I am sure there will be many more. Liam hit the stumps with the last ball of his spell and Will knocked over one of the PH danger men with a great in-swing.

Unfortunately our bowling was not able to exert enough pressure on the Colts batsmen. Our only glimmer of hope came with Nick C's first two balls- 2 wickets. Patrick and Nathan Maguire bowled some good overs of spin at the start but we were leaking sundries all day and this proved costly. Pendle Hill were not in any real trouble in passing our total 6 wickets down and judging on their undefeated last wicket partnership of 114 piled on after passing our total they had something in reserve in their comfortable win (or had reversed their batting order!).

Lots of work to do: The first three things being-

- Bowling length was far too short- this bowling will be punished by strong players.
- Total sundries of 49- must get this number down or it will cost us games.
- Running between the wickets – must call early and run hard.

Match Result: Pendle Hill Colts 9 for 264 defeated KL 103.

Bowling: Robert W 2 for 21, Nick C 2 for 30.

Batting: Patrick 32.

Fielding: Robert, Nick C and Liam.

Coach	Peter O’Rielly	Manager	Fiona Reardon
Scorer	Fiona Reardon	Captain	Will Reardon



Team	13/3A	Round	R1
Result	Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 7/166 dec Pendle Hill - 144

Match Report

After securing the toss, KLCC elected to take to the field.

The Pendle Hill Colts set a cracking run rate in the first session, with the loss of one wicket for 60 runs. However, a strong bowling effort by Ben 'the Baseballer' and Sunny slowed the runs whilst securing wickets. The KLCC team wrapped the Colts up during the last session, the wickets were shared equally with Ben securing the solid figures of 3 for 12 off 4 over's.

The envious task of seeing off the new ball was undertaken by Lachlan and Jarad, with both batsmen looking strong until Lachlan was bowled near the close of play. This brought in Jack "Mr. Reliable" to see out the first day's play.

The second day's play began strong with a tradesman like effort with the loss of two wickets, Hayden like Lachlan, was looking strong. Unfortunately luck was against both. This brought Ben 'the Baseballer' into the centre for the first time who reached double figures in style, securing his first boundary. The next batsman to face the music was Tim 'Larry' who stepped up the pace with some confident running between the wickets. Eric 'the Coaches Son' was next to stroll to the centre, and saw the team past the Colts total whilst reaching double figures which included two strong boundaries. Simon Phelps from the KLCC 12's has been assisting our team and saw out the innings with some strong defense and a striking cut shot.

There were a number of other highlights:

- 5 partnerships over 30
- Tim 'The Big O' ground fielding and bowling once he found his line and length.
- Daniels line and length, which was rewarded by the taking a wicket

However, there was one other highlight and what a highlight it was; with Jarad opening the innings on the first days play (11:29am) only to be dismissed with 3 over's remaining on the last session of play on the last day. After securing 13 boundaries, 3 threes, 7 twos and countless singles and being involved in 7 partnerships including 5 partnerships over 30, batting 4 sessions of play...this innings fell short of a century by 9 runs. Jarad's innings displayed concentration, guts, fitness and brut determination and will be a memory to keep for all who witnessed this epic innings. Congratulations Jarad, a job well done mate.

Bowling award – Ben the Baseballer Talintyre

Fielding Award – Lachlan Dorahy

Batting Award – Jarad Wynton

Team Captain – Lachlan Dorahy

Honor Roll – Jarad Wynton 91 runs

Regards,
Coach Scott

Coach	Scott Reibelt	Captain	Lachlan Dorahy
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Team	13/3B	Round	R1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 118 Wenty Leagues – 7/174



Team	14/2A	Round	R1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 57 & 4/38 Baulkham Hills – 95 & 7/94

Match Report

We had a tough one first up, taking on last year's Premiers, Baulkham Hills at their home ground. On the positive side, it did provide us with a great opportunity to gauge where we are in terms of the standard of this year's competition.

Baulko won the toss and batted, and Zac and Ravin bowled accurately but without luck, holding them to 0-18 in the first 10 overs. This provided a great platform for Nathan and Fletcher to take over, and the wickets began to tumble. At one stage Baulko were 8-60, but a 34 run, 9th wicket stand helped them to a respectable total of 95. Nathan was the pick of the bowlers with 4-14, with good support from Fletcher with 2-16. James, Janith and Jordan chipped in with one each and Brianna orchestrated a spectacular run out.

Unfortunately there weren't too many highlights in our first innings. Having talked about the importance of occupying the crease and letting the runs come, we proceeded to play as if it was a T20 match. We were bowled out in 22 overs for 57, sundries having top scored with 20!

Our fielding let us down in the second innings with a few dropped catches and too many sundries (20 byes!). Baulko declared at 7-94, Nathan had the figures again with 2-5 off 5 overs.

Faced with an uncomfortable hour or so to bat in order to prevent an outright, wickets fell a bit too regularly for anyone to relax. Zac showed some resistance, making an entertaining 12 including two sparkling fours. Then Jono and Nathan came together and looked so solid against some very searching bowling that Baulko's coach gave up and pulled stumps without using the extra time available.

What can we improve on for next round? We can certainly sharpen up in the field and stay alert, so we can take the chances when they come. However the greatest potential for improvement is in our batting, in particular our shot selection; we lost too many wickets to unnecessary shots, rather than waiting for the bad ball to put away. We definitely have the ability to be competitive at this level, if we practise hard and play smart!

Coach	Mark Webster	Manager	Diana & Steve Barnett
Captain	James Kitto/Jonathan Barnett		

Team	14/2B	Round	R1
Result	Bye		

Team	15/1	Round	R1
Result	Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 109 & 3/71 Rouse Hill Rams - 93

Match Report

We turned up to play the first round of the season hoping to get off to a good start. We lost the toss and were sent in to bat. We had a bad start as opener Brayden Griffiths was dismissed for a duck with Jordan Mulder not far behind as he got an edge caught behind by the keeper also for 0. Mitchell Apps along with our other opener Alex Ieroianni put up a fight creating a partnership worth 16. Alex was next to go after scoring 15. Taylor Bills was out next due to the good bowling of opposing captain Tyler Joyce. Luke came in next and suffered the same fate also being bowled by Joyce. In next was Jack Feeney who stabilised the innings with number 8 batsmen Kanav Bhama putting on a total of 25 denying the Rams an easy wicket. After Kanav was dismissed for a strong 11 came in captain of the side, Nikhil Krishnan. He was unlucky after getting a leading edge which popped up to bowler Sean Eustace for a simple catch. Following this dismissal Jack Feeney with Chris Jenkin put on 27 with Jack getting hit on the pads right in front of the wickets. Chris was in fine touch hitting boundaries when number 11 batsmen John McShane were run out for 0 with Chris finishing on 13 not out. Our team finished with a hardly defensible total of

109.

We had a team talk and we all knew we had bowl line and length, giving the batsmen nothing if we wanted to win the match. We came out fired up and bowled well with Jordan Mulder taking an early wicket with Luke Brant being wrapped on the pads for LBW. Our pressure in the field was responsible for creating a run out chance that we took dismissing Riley Judd for 9. Captain and leg spinner Nikhil bowled fantastic cleaning up number 3 batsmen Sean Eustace for a duck. We came back the following week still with plenty of work left to do. Jack Feeney swung the ball around dismissing key batsmen Scott Baldwin cheaply. Nikhil continued his good bowling taking a caught and bowled off Josh Aspinall to see another wicket. But a dangerous partnership was taking place between Jake Sultana and captain Tyler Joyce making 62. Jake was hitting us all over the park taking the Rams closer and closer to our total. Jack Feeney broke the partnership by clean bowling Tyler Joyce for 24. Opening bowler Nevin Arora received his deserved wicket getting Sultana caught behind for 32. We were on top at this point but with great bowling by Jack Feeney he finished off their innings by taking 2 more wickets finishing with 4/6. It was an excellent game to start the season making all the boys work really hard for the win.

Coach	Gary Kitto	Manager	Wendy & Mike Feeney
Captain	Nikhil Krishnan		

am	15/2	Round	R1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 9/211 Wenty Leagues – 9/276

Match Report

Day 1

This year's division 2 team consists of a mix of last year's division 2 and 3 teams, so it might take a few games to fully gel. Having said that, even after one session in the field it is obvious the team are working well together and will be competitive.

Not a bad start to the season. Playing one of the likely front runners, the team dug in while finding their feet with the ball and ended up with nine wickets including some good catches. Wenty did however, get to 276 by the end of play with some very good stroke play including a lost new ball with a well hit six into an overgrown creek (hopefully we can limit this problem throughout the season).

Fielding generally was pretty good with a lot of commitment. We did drop something like eight or nine catches though, with the positive being that the bowling was good enough to create the chances. I'm sure some team work, and especially some individual practice, will see a marked improvement in the catching department over the next few games.

Day 2

Chasing a healthy target, our innings was all about Gav and Ken getting an idea of each batsman's skills and about forming partnerships.

We got off to a flyer before Patrick and Dulan knuckled down to a very strong partnership paving the way for a determined run chase. A very good 30 from Dulan was followed up with a strong 22 from Max (including a superb 6) and 29 from Nathan (including 5 fours).

Most of last year's Div 3 players got off to a start and a special mention goes to Alex who was batting well when caught on 11.

But the standout performance was Patrick who batted through 5 partnerships, and was somewhat unlucky to be dismissed LBW for a very well constructed 64. Top job Patrick.

Also, thanks to Jason who did a great job filling in as Captain and also to our injured Captain Luke who is still very supportive of the players while sidelined.

All in all, it was a fine effort with the bat and showed Gav and Ken the potential of the team. A few more catches taken and we could have seen a different result.

Coach	Gavin Strangwick	Manager	John Braddock
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Team	16/1A	Round	R1
Result	Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley A – 9/206 Kings Langley B - 151

Team	16/1B	Round	R1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley B – 151 Kings Langley A – 9/206

Match Report

For the 1st game of the year it was Kings Langley 'B' Team rising to the Div 1 ranks after winning Div 2 last season to face their biggest challenge of the season so far. They were playing the other Kings Langley team, the majority of which had division 1 and Green Shield experience. It seemed as though the 'A' team had the upper hand, but the 'B' team, determined to defeat their opposition/friends, put up a good fight knocking away a good 151 to start off the match.

Blake raked in a quick 22 and got us off to a good start. Chris missed out on the big runs this week but kept the team going scoring 7 getting caught on a beautiful drive stopped in its tracks by an amazing one-handed catch from Harry. Next thing we knew Hattingh was batting for the first time for Kings Langley after switching from Rouse Hill. He unfortunately got caught on 4 by Lochie. Jake thought he'd take 13, Josh sledged a fast 12, the ball skimmed Tim's bat and he was caught behind on 3 early on, McKinnon was beginning' to rack up some runs when he was stumped on 8, Dominic flicked it over to Asad who took a lovely catch and in anger James was in flames after being ducked. Unperplexed, Alex made his way onto the honour roll and knocked a comfortable 56 only to be bowled by Lochie. And finally at the end of the day Marcus was in focus but was left not out on 1.

As the Kings Langley 'A' team went into bat the 'B' team was missing a keeper! Marcus had mysteriously failed to show up. So we had to make do with 2nd best. Just kidding Josh, (not really). Early on Blake took a catch in slips and had Harry out for a duck. Not long after, Jake bowled one down off and Scott Madden who looked to be up for a big score clipped it over to Tim in slips. An inspirational catch for the start of the season! And as usual the team which has been for 7 yrs - still has the same spirit they've had all along. Wickets followed with catches from Chris Hattingh, Josh, Josh again, Hayden and Dom. Due to a lack of spin on the day, we summoned our keeper Josh to bowl an over or two. And who else to replace the replacement keeper than Jake Famularo. Yes, our opening fast bowler made his debut in wicket keeping and might be doing it again after, (would you believe) a speedy stumping after A. Rizvi stepped out of his crease to attempt a smash off Josh's bowling. Soon after, off Chris' bowling, the ball was skied and as all the whole team told him "we are so gonna kill you if you don't take this catch" Jake cushioned it nicely into his gloves, and the team attacked and abused him with happiness.

So the underdog 'B' team came close to a victory, but after a brilliant batting performance from Brayden Gibson, who retired at 108 with 18 boundaries, the 'A' team won by 1 wicket and 55 runs. The game was won 11 overs before we rapped up for the day, but confused by the 'B' team's continued spirit and heightened excitement, the 'A' team asked "you guys know you've lost right?"

Special Mentions should go to :

James 'Bob' Regan - Jimminy Billy Bob Regan's efforts in 'pepping' up the team were fabulous. Never would James let His guard down. Constantly, from fine leg and square leg we could hear, "come on boys, let's talk it up!"

Chris Hattingh - For coming to the team he was quite recently beaten by in the grand final.

A good start to the season Kings Langley 'B' Team!

Alex Monaghan

Coach	Greg Monaghan	Manager	Paul Regan
Assistant coach	Brett Gilbert		
Scorer	Anne Famularo	Captain	Chris Portlock

Team	16/2	Round	R1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 71 & 101 Seven Hills RSL – 90 & 3/37

Match Report

While the scores indicate a loss, for our first game of the season, the boys did play well. Unfortunately sundries let us down with too many byes and wides. Without these, or a few less, we could have been first innings winners.

Another good, solid start by Alex who weathered the initial storm from the opposition bowlers and was unluckily run out after a ball was hit straight back down the pitch. Good partnership between Andrew and Spyros of 32 in the middle order helped our cause, with Spyros finishing 19 not out unfortunately running out of batting partners. A bit more effort in the nets will hopefully allow us to increase these scores.

Good effort in the field saw us bowl them out for 90 however as mentioned above 21 sundries is way too many and gave them the game, that was also their highest scorer. Great effort by Steven in his first club game taking 3 good catches.

Another shaky start in the second innings until Shiv and Jake steadied the ship with a 35 run partnership, then Steven and Ben with a 26 run partnership that got us up over the 100 mark. Good batting by Shiv 26, Ben 24 and Matt and Steven both scoring 11.

With 30 minutes left at the close of our innings, the opposition were confident, chasing 80 - odd, for the outright however with a bit more time it could have gone either way. With Josh picking up a wicket with the second ball and Ben 2 in the next couple of overs saw them in a bit of trouble at 3/23 after 4 overs. A good catch by Jake although Steven took another great catch down near the boundary, taking his match total to 4. Great effort.

Coach	Matthew Williams	Manager	Shane McCarthy
Scorer	Shane McCarthy	Captain	Jake Gunns

Senior Match Reports

Team	A Grade	Round	1
Result	Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 5/337 Hills Barbarians - 300

Match Report

A great game to the start the new season with over 600 runs scored between the two teams. A big welcome to Brent McNee and Owen Roberts to the team. We won the toss and on a warm day chose to bat 1st. Terence and Freney got us off to a good start with the first wicket falling on 32. Terence continued on and made a well earned 46. With the score 3/75, Brad Smith joined Brent and took the Barbarians' attack to the cleaners. The pair combined for a 4th wicket 233 run partnership. The boys put on a great performance with Brad finally falling for 114 (including 17 fours and 2 sixes). Finchie joined Brent and with some hitting at the end of the innings took the score to 5/337 at the end of the days play, Brent finishing with 128no (21 fours and 1 six)!!!

We knew that Barbarians were going to give us a run for our money, and with a very fast field they got off to a good start with the first wicket falling on 69. Wickets were hard to come by, with Freney picking up the 1st two wickets, and with Owen picking up the key wicket with the score at 3/165, we knew it was game on. From there Owen continued to bowl a very tight spell of off spin, picking up regular wickets finishing with 3/69 off 15.4 overs. Tets also bowling well after the main drinks break with tie barbarians down, finishing with 1/65 off 15 (very unlucky not to have a few more). Paul chipped in with some accurate bowling at the end and finished with 2-29. A big difference between the teams was the fielding, with our boys not giving away any overthrows, holding our catches and taking our run outs. A big thanks to Brad Smith, Jason Farrugia and Paul Guemelli for filling in.

Captain	Matt Klaczkwicz
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Team	A Res	Round	1
Result	Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 8/270 Hills Barbarians - 158

Match Report

Day 1

After a committed pre-season including a practice match at Pearce Reserve against a Hornsby Shire side, we were keener than a barber's cut-throat razor to get onto the paddock and lock horns with our old rivals from Hills Barbarians. A dusty paddock it was too, resembling more of the Nullarbor Plain than a cricket oval in the usually green pastures of the hills district.

Luckily for us I won the toss and elected to bat first so we didn't have to rely on Swifty's [electric] blower to get rid of the sand dunes on the pitch, which last year destroyed our new ball within about 12-15 overs.

Back for another crack at the top of the order, I took aim with the swashbuckling Andy keeping the crease warm at the other end. Some good bowling and a watchful start saw us shimmy along slowly until Andy tried to up the tempo and was nailed in front of the sticks with 11 runs on the board.

Out came Matty, the prolific run scoring machine from last year, to help steer the ship. However, we continued our slow march until I was surprised by a slippery yorker that swung both ways, dipped then ricocheted of a stray fly before cleverly sneaking through to demolish my woodwork with the score at 2-43 in the 21st over.

Not to be concerned, out came the in-form man of the moment Swifty (besides suggesting the use of an [electric] blower miles from any power point) to get us back on track. Matty and Swifty then put on a steady partnership before Matty used his renown intelligence to smash a wide full toss (according to Swifty it was going to be a no ball) straight to extra cover after compiling a watchful 34 with the score at 3-86 in the 33rd over of the day.

But the Rice brand wasn't finished with yet as our other prolific run scorer from last year Dan crept up to the crease doing his best simple person impersonation (Dobbo can take credit for this) under his new lid. It was a shaky start for Ricey but soon both he and Swifty picked up the tempo dispatching the ball fluently to all corners as they shared the spoils with our first century partnership of the year both bringing up fine half centuries.

Unfortunately, Ricey's earlier impersonation came back to haunt him as he couldn't understand what "NO" meant and was run out for 57 after looking in ominous touch. A quick glimpse at the Hunter Pacific scorebook read 4-191 after 51 overs.

We then watched with anticipation as our new recruit and former 2nd Grade batting maestro Lali strode out to the crease and took aim. However, it wasn't Lali's day as he phantom edged the ball through to their keeper on a duck and received a polite sorry from the umpire with the score only progressing to 5-197 from 53 overs.

Looking to cement his spot at number 7 this year a refreshed and confident Dobbo lumbered to the crease to take centre stage. What was to come next was sensational as he and Swifty forgot about running between the wickets and went nuts sending the ball into orbit regularly with some monster bombs to put on 62 runs in under 6 overs.

Disappointingly, that was pretty much the end of the fireworks as the light deteriorated and Dobbo holed out after smoking 35, while Swifty did the same moments later after compiling an impressive and entertaining 83, departing with the score on 7-265 in the 61st over.

A useful contribution at the end of the innings in near darkness from young Mick Turner (7 not out), Ajit and Tezza helped the score along to 8-270 from 61 overs. An imposing total and what should be the foundations for our first win of the season.

An excited Wombat!!!!

Day 2

Well the day didn't exactly begin too smoothly for yours truly. After having lost the keys to my car during the week (yes, I'm an idiot), I realised that the stumps were still in the boot of it on the way to cricket. However, a crisis call to Tezza resolved a potentially disastrous situation as the opposition only had a set for one end.

A calm but upbeat dressing room before the commencement of play looked promising as we all welcomed Tazza

back from his 6 week family rendezvous across the vast expanses of seppoland. It didn't take a trained eye to tell he enjoyed it too looking very round and relaxed as he swiveled into his whites and called for one over spells.

Our human steam train Ajit kicked off proceedings letting fly with a loosener that was luckily dispatched over Tana's head down at fine leg for four runs. The big man got right back on track though to finish off the rest of the over in a menacing and tidily fashion. Then after turning up in his designer jeans and shirt, Prince Tana eagerly grabbed the opportunity to fire the new ball down from the other end.

It didn't take long for him to rekindle last year's early season form as he struck the Hill's skipper back on his crease in front and struck a pose to an obliging umpire to claim our first scalp of the year off his 3rd ball of the day. Tana and Ajit then continued to menace the batsmen missing the outside edge on numerous occasions while the Barbarians progressed slowly to 1-44 in the 19th over.

However, the early introduction of Towelie into the attack from Tana's end soon paid dividends as he unleashed a perfect out swinger in his 3rd over to find the edge and claim our second wicket. Picking up from last season, Matty made it look easy as at 1st slip catching a ball sliding down and to his right.

Next delivery Tezza decides to send down a zooming full toss to catch the new batsmen by surprise and claim another fine wicket. Though, it was only made fine by the fact of Tazza's sensational overhead one-handed snare whilst looking directly into the sun. Reminiscent of a backward bending orangutan catching a prized falling fruit from his favourite tree. Looking the goods, our Hunter Pacific scorebook read 3-44 after 21 overs.

Tension then grew as the Barbarians put on a rapid fire 41 from the next 8 overs until Ajit dug one in short and wide of off-stump to entice a loose shot from one of their big hitters who looked like he needed to be somewhere else in a hurry. Taking a tricky floating catch at point young Mick Turner showed us he's no sloth in the field, unlike some of us. A few untidy fielding errors during this partnership, including a harbour bridge from myself, got a few of us a little too riled up. We'll put this down to the smokey haze that ended up engulfing us for the rest of the day but not ideal or what we want to see throughout the year.

Soon after Matty and Swifty were introduced into the attack to ply their trades. However, an ideal and assisting breeze soon paved the way to have them swap ends and give Tazza his "one over spell" as the Barbarians put on another 40 odd run partnership. Finally, the breakthrough occurred when Matty sent down a grenade that turned and bounced a mile. Making up for an earlier missed stumping opportunity Dobbo claimed a difficult shoulder height snick to remove their opening batsman who'd compiled a patient half century.

The very next over on the same score Swifty enticed a big shot from their other big hitter and found a top edge that practically flew straight up and safely into Matty's awaiting mitts to have them in real strife at 6-127 off 43 overs. Realising the Barbarians only had 10 batsmen it was essentially a formality from then on as Swifty struck the next batsmen in front in his next over to finish with 2 wickets, and a few overs later Matty spun the ball past the advancing batsmen to offer Dobbo another keeping statistic and have them all out for 158 in the 49th over. Great win and I'm sure one of many more to come this year.

A content Wombat!!!

Captain

Mick Mara

Team	B 1	Round	1
Result	Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley - 8/191 Wenty Leagues - 119



Team	B 6	Round	1
Result	Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 4/361 Parramatta Crusaders - 151

Team	B 7	Round	1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 9/101 Greystanes - 163

Team	B 9	Round	1
Result	Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 193 Baulkham Hills – 96 & 119

Team	B 10	Round	1
Result	Bye		

Team	B 11	Round	1
Result	Won 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 8/229 dec Greystanes – 138 & 6/61

Match Report

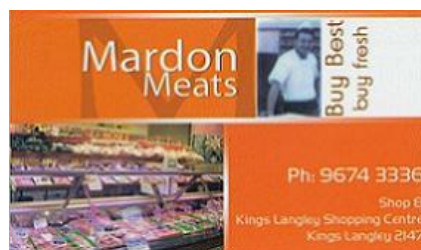
The first game of the year saw the usual pre-game chaos, with people not showing and last minute phone calls to have a full X1 but we took the field, having lost the toss, with a full complement. Richard and Mark opened the bowling and Mark did well, picking up the first 2 wickets, bowled and a catch to skipper Mal at mid-on. Despite tight bowling from Daniel and Mal, Greystanes made steady progress until Mark perfected a direct hit run out to break the partnership - 3/52. Another good partnership developed until Mitch (golden arm) broke through by bowling Greystanes top scorer. From 4/90, Greystanes collapsed and were all out for 138. Mitch got another wicket - a skier caught by Mal and Zane got an lbw with his crafty spinners. Mark came back for another spell and got an lbw against a dangerous hitter and then Jacob cleaned up the tail. A solid performance, apart from the skipper dropping two catches (he could have had 4). Mark Grin ham 3/24 (8 overs), Mitch Albert (2/26), Jacob Lewis (2/16) and Zane 1/18.

KL had about an hour to bat and as Daniel was not available next week, he opened with Mitch. A solid start until Daniel was caught behind off the glove for 11 and then Jacob and Mitch saw us through to stumps, looking very solid. 1/45 was a good position going into week 2.

A bad start in the second week, with both Mitch and Jacob out for no further addition to the score. Uveshan from the under 16s and Mark took the score along to 79 before Uveshen was caught behind. Then Richard combined with Mal to seal the win with a partnership of 91. The skipper's departure for 68 triggered a collapse of 3/0 before Mark steadied the ship and hit well to reach an unbeaten 50 - well done Mark! We promptly declared to give us 90 minutes to try for the outright - we thought we were a chance as Greystanes only had 8 batsmen.

Tyler, having missed out on a bat, tore in with the new ball and swung the ball and bowled with good pace. He took 5/19 off 6 overs, aided by good catches by Mark and Zane. Mitch again picked up a wicket and the day finished with all the men around the bat in the fading, smoky light trying for that elusive last wicket. A good effort all round guys and with the promise of two additional players next week, things are looking up, See you next week against Rouse Hill.

Captain	Malcolm Pass	Scorer	Mark Albert
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Team	B 13	Round	1
Result	Won Outright	Score	Kings Langley – 8/260 dec NSW Tamils – 89 & 114

Match Report

The bulk of this side was made up from last season's B14's, who only narrowly missed out winning the final. There was also the inclusion of some young juniors, a couple of returned players from semi-retirement, a player returning to the fold after testing the waters at another club and a new rookie. Everyone was excited about the season and itching to get underway.

The first blow occurred in the off season with Steve Scrimshaw, our captain, breaking his toe at soccer and missing for the first game. Luckily we had plenty of eager replacements to fill the huge hole in the line up. The second blow was losing the toss to the team who put on nearly 400 against us last season. We didn't let that faze us and started with our big guns, Jamie Purcell and Daniel McNamara, who had the openers struggling to make just 1 run in the first 5 overs. Daniel got the first wicket and Jamie tied up the batters, only conceding 5 runs in 5 overs. After 10 overs we brought on one of the new guys, Craig Hill, and he quickly picked up a couple of wickets to have 2/16 off 6 overs. Paul MacNamara supported from the other end bagging 2/22 off 6 overs. Another new guy, Erron Jones, was given a go and was bowling very tight. Daniel Brebrich was also brought on with his slow, left arm spinners and picked up 3 wickets. Erron finished off the opposition with the last wicket to have them all out for 89.

With one and a half hours to play we were looking for a solid start. Craig Pickett volunteered to partner Craig Hill in opening because he had a party to go. What followed was utter mayhem. Craig Pickett slashed 3 boundaries in the first over to set up a whirlwind 43 (with 10 boundaries). With his casual flare and range of shots he looked like Viv Richards, except he doesn't have a tan. Craig Hill also gave good support with a solid 15. Steve Doonan went in first drop and quickly returned to the enjoy the shade in the sheds. Matt Anderson and Macca had about 20 minutes before stumps and nudged our score past the opposition to secure the first innings on day 1.

With Macca not out and still at the crease we were all wondering whether he would make it to the game on time, but we had nothing to fear as he made it before the start of play. Matt and Macca took up where they left off the week before, with Macca quickly passing 50 and Matt joining him on 50 shortly after. When Matt fell an over later, with our lead over 100, a drinks break was taken and tactics were quickly formulated. Macca wanted to declare (probably because he was bugged by now), but we still wanted to get another 50 or so runs and allow a couple more batters to get out there. Steve Barnett went out to help Macca pile on some more runs. He put on 10 runs when he was run out going for a third. By now Macca was in the mid 80s and it was time for the rookie, David McNamara, to see what it was all about and try to help Macca to that ultimate goal. After blocking the first ball David swung wildly at a full toss and it sped to the boundary to get off the mark. With that out of the system Macca and David worked on ticking off the runs. With every run being notched up Macca was waiting for the applause, but the crowd was deathly silent. Unfortunately, Macca was run out trying to get on strike and came off to be told he had made only 98.

No time to ponder, we declared and put the Tamils back in. Jamie and Daniel Mc started with pace again and this time picked up 3 wickets in the opening spell. Steve Barnett and Shane McCarthy were first change and also picked up a couple each. Macca, finally refreshed after batting for over an hour, was brought on to pick up 2 wickets for 4 runs in 2.2 overs to secure an outright win.

During our fielding, Macca was in the ear of the umpire about a decision he made to change a 6 to a 4 during his batting innings. The umpire said he was sure it was a 6, but changed it when one of the Tamils said it was only 4. The umpire spoke to the captain of the Tamils and the fielder who was out on the boundary at the time and they agreed it was a 6. Consensus was reached to amend the scorebooks to show a 6, giving Macca a well deserved 100. Rumour has it that Macca was scouting the A Grade and A Reserve captains back at Pearce Reserve during celebratory drinks for a start with them next week. We hope their teams are full and we have the benefit of him being with us, even though we know we'll be getting an earful.

Captain

Steve Scrimshaw



Team	B 14	Round	1
Result	Lost 1st Innings	Score	Kings Langley – 157 Wenty Waratahs – 8/164
<u>Match Report</u>			
<p>We won the toss decided to bat, unrepentantly well performance by the boys 157 both openers getting double figures (Harsimran 26, Inderpreet 21), followed by a blasting quick 46 by Jeetu. Good performance by the whole team contributing to the scorecard (Shiblee 21). End of first Saturday we went into bowl and got a awakening welcome of 60/1 of 11 overs.</p> <p>Having a fresh start the following weekend the boys went in and rocked the opposition with Inderpreet (Spin King) taking crucial 2 wickets in the 3rd over of the day. Good bowling performance followed by Morris Luckwell 3/25 and Dildeep Singh 3/25 knocking the stumps right out of the ground twice.</p> <p>We came very close, yet so far, lost by 1 wicket.</p>			
Captain	Harsimran		

Team	B 15	Round	1
Result	Won Outright	Score	Kings Langley – 211 Rouse Hill Rams – 22 & 129
<u>Match Report</u>			
<p>Started the season in B15 after nominating to play C Grade. But no C Grade comp this year. Fronted up the first week with our team of U16 boys and their dads. Some experienced at the game and some not so much. Rouse Hill consisted of a number of players from the U15 team we won against in last years hard fought grand final. KL batted first opening with father and son combo of Brett & Blake Gilbert with Brett out scoring his son this round with 36. Alex Monaghan followed on from his morning's innings of 56 to score another quick fire 54. Captain Calvo (27) and Ben Williams (28) bolstered the total and our elder statesman Monners was left 4no with the score on 211.</p> <p>We felt it was decent total but we would have to ball and field at our best. Well we certainly did that bowling the 1st six batsman for 13 runs and then had the team out for 22. Fantastic bowling from the boys Tim Mayfield 3/4, Jake Famularo 1/5, James Regan 4/1 ably supported by Brett Gilbert and Gary Portlock.</p> <p>Day 2 we sent Rouse Hill in to bat again with Chris Hattingh who plays for KL in the morning and Rouse Hill in the afternoon scoring a fine 51, But with no one to support him and 2 players down in the second week they were all out for 129. We had our first victory an outright. Again 6 of the players were bowled. Special mention to Gary Portlock who took 2 wickets the first in a number of years and hopefully many more to come. Well done guys. Now you older fellas need to go home and soak in a long hot bath so you are fit for the next game especially the wicket keeper!!</p>			
Captain	Paul Calvert	Manager	Jenny Monaghan
Scorer	Anne Famularo		