



Welcome to the Tuggies Tele, a weekly view of what's been happening on and off the ground at the Mighty Tuggeranong Valley Cricket Club!

LATEST CLUB NEWS

Congratulations to Tuggeranong's own (6 games enough to claim her as ours?) Erin Osborne, on being a big part of the Sydney Thunder's triumph in WBBL #01. The better Osborne (or SOCL depending on your viewpoint) also claimed player of the final with the figures of 3/21 off 4 overs.

Well done also to Amit Sharma whose sheer weight of runs this season saw him get a shot at the ACT Comets selection trial game. Whilst missing out on a big score this time, here's hoping the runs keep flowing and another shot at rep cricket is just around the corner. (Should probably mention that TVT was selected as well but we are getting used to seeing that! #teambizzard)

Match Reports:

1st Grade

TVCC 100 (Sharma with 65 of those!) & 110 outrighted by Wests 223 (D Burgess 3/51, G Miller 3/54).

TVCC 193 (Keithan 86, Ding 43) & 17 (yes really) outrighted by Creek 6/305 dec (D Burgess 3/76).

2nd Grade

Vs Wests

With incumbent skipper Justin "I only play cricket at Chisholm" Haywood surprisingly playing at Chisholm, the captaincy reins were handed over to the guru of the grass Craig Devoy for our clash at the 'delightful' (Kaleen should still be number 1) Jamison Oval.

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With the mercury already nudging the mid-thirties, Craig did the right thing by winning the toss and having a bat on a very dry looking deck. TVCC was looking to keep the wood over Westies after our victory in the one day final. However a combination of unavailability, injury and couldn't be bothered playing saw a much younger and inexperienced line up face an almost unchanged Westies line up.

Unfortunately our inexperience was shown up as Matt McGann ripped through the top order, claiming the top five all cleaned bowled. After a start like that (5/30 odd) it was always going to be tough and the red men were soon bowled out for 130. Logan Ayers was the pick of the bats, top scoring with 35 despite being lidded twice (maybe start swaying Loges!).

As we prepared to take the field in near 40 degree heat amidst the screams of the kids at big splash having a much better time than us, we knew we would need to start well with the ball to have any chance of victory.

Honky blowing out his knee in his second over wasn't what we were after and once again the Valley was in strife. However, also once again, Logan Ayers stepped up claiming 3 big wickets on his way to 3/27. Honks bowled 20 overs off a single step, DJ style! (Wrong leg).

By the time Devoy (3/60 suffering illness) had cleaned up the tail, Wests had managed 218 runs and the Valley had another crack at batting. Initial hopes of building a lead and putting some pressure on Westies were soon scuttled as once again the combination of the dodgy deck and poor shot selection saw us being rolled for just 106.

Special mention to Dave "Chat sh!t, get Banged" Bickerton who opened again to McGann with what later turned out to be multiple fractures in his hand. Might be time to stop sledging the bowlers hey Bicko?

Some lower order hitting by G Hammond ensured that he doesn't need to get nude at end of year, but more importantly made Wests have to bat again.

Only defending 18, and with Devoy finally succumbing to his tonsillitis, acting captain Hammond decided to live the dream and open the bowling in the second

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dig. He picked up 2/11! (I don't know what's so tough about bowling? Set straight fields, bowl full, and they just get themselves out!)

In the end Wests won by 8 wickets with about an hour still left in the day. It was disappointing to be outrighted, but hopefully with some fit bodies we can bounce back next week!

V Creek

With the red men looking to bounce back from last week's disappointment, we were greeted by a typical Stirling deck that had a pedestrian crossing on it just short of a length. With some late withdrawals from the team, due to first grade call ups and injury, we were desperately short of bowling options on paper so the plan was to win the toss and bat. Of course Hammond lost the toss and we were asked to have a bowl.

Benny Haywood and Logan Ayers were the makeshift openers and both stepped up. Creek nudged it around to be 2/80 + a retired hurt at lunch - TVCC's session! After lunch the Creek put their foot down piling on the runs to be 4/250 at tea, and the Valley looking at a day of 400 plus put on them. After tea the makeshift attack was superb in restricting the Creekers to 330, when Creek declared with about 20 minutes left in the day. Nikesh backed up the openers with a superb 0/35 off 15 overs and was critical in pegging back the runs, as was Tyler with his second spell also hitting the right areas.

Benny though was superhuman. With every other bowler in the line up subject to junior bowling restrictions or a spinner, he trucked in all day and ended up with 4/61 off 25 overs.

So we were only chasing 330 on a flat deck when we should have been chasing over 400. TVCC with a big sniff!

Day two and the rains had come. Starting an hour late meant a tricky hour to bat pre lunch and a 3 hour session at the end of the day. Pre game talk was to start slow and attack the last 3 hours with wickets in hand and tired bowlers.

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With a deck that had sweated up under the covers all week, makeshift openers Hammond and Pappas made a cautious start until Jaydo was trapped LBW. Ads Seary continued the steady theme and we went to lunch 1/30. Skip was happy with that, and wanted 150 at tea with wickets in hand to chase 180 in the 3 hour session. Once again it all went to plan as we slowly ramped up the scoring rate for the loss of only 2 more wickets, Seary (34) and Jake Flo (21). Tea came and we were 3/157, Hammond still there batting time and Logan Ayers making batting look ridiculously easy and with the Creek running out of bowlers the game was turning the way of the Valley.

After tea Loges continued to bang them everywhere and Creek had run out of ideas so they gave the keeper a bowl. Sure enough Loges chopped one on from him and was out for an effortless 39.

With 4/183, less than 150 required and Craig Devoy coming out to bat, I thought we were still on track for the win. However this was reassessed when Craig ran himself out first ball and then Tom Seaman chipped one to mid wicket soon after. 4/183 to 7/185 in the space of an over or two and that 150 odd required looked miles away.

Burgie (23) batted really well, never gave up and suddenly we were back in the game! Only a hundred to get and a bit under 2 hours of play left. Do we dare to dream? Then, closing in on an unlikely maiden grade century, Hammond choked and popped a ball up to the gully. Out for 96... Shattered!

From there the tail wagged a little for TVCC to be dismissed for 254 with about an hour's play left. Disappointing result again after setting up the game so well. Without losing the 3/2 after tea, we probably could have chased down that 330 for a famous victory...

3rd Grade

V Wests

We arrived at Chisholm 2 to find a very good looking pitch which looked like it would produce runs, and wickets for those good enough to use it properly. Jake

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once again won the toss (that is about 8 out of 10 this year, so go with Jake on Anzac Day) and we decided to bat. After picking up and disposing of the used syringes lying around the roller door and scoring area, we proceeded to do a scan of the ground to make sure there were no more, only to come across broken glass on the field which we had to get rid of.

Before play started it dawned on us that we did, in fact, have no wicket keeper! Hardly a great way to approach a must win game!!

Anyway, once play started we looked OK, but the fall of a couple of quick wickets made us look a little shaky. Crusher decided that his best form of cricket was to attack and he chanced his arm smashing 16 (1 massive 6 and two 4s) taking us to 3-39. When TK went for a nicely made 11 we were in some trouble on a good deck. Jake Floros survived a chance 1st ball and went on to make a very hard hitting 83 with twelve 4's and 3 sixes, and with Matt Reynolds, together they put on 84 before Jake was out. Late contributions of 33 from Nemesy and our new acquisition Gillespie from Qbn, took us to be all out for 278. Matt Reynolds was eventually out for an excellent 52.

We had 10 overs to bowl that afternoon and had them in trouble at 2-25 at the close. Sunday came and it looked like being hard work with their batsmen scoring freely until Jake Adamson struck and started the rot for them. From 2 - 107 they were suddenly 7-137 and eventually all out for 164. Tyler Hayes managed 3 wickets, Hesse and Adamson 1 and old man Nemesy 4.

Special mentions to Tyler Hays who had to keep wicket at very short notice and did a very admirable job, considering he hasn't kept for a number of years and even then only in juniors. Also another special mention goes to Drew Armstrong who kept wicket while Tyler was bowling and also did a good job. Crusher also took a very good and not so simple outfield catch at a vital time.

Great effort from all involved. 3rd grade are now clear on top of the 2 day ladder.

V Creek

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We turned up at Chisholm 2 to see a great looking wicket once again. Here we are 4 rounds to go, on top of the ladder and playing the bottom side who have not won all year. We continued Jake's tradition of winning tosses, and chose to get greedy and go for 10 points. We planned to bowl and look to roll them quickly, get past them, send them back in, bowl them out and then chase down a small total. Good plan!!

1-12, 2-15, 3-52, plan going along nicely. 4-71. Then we strike trouble. After replacing Nemesy, Jack Adamson broke down with back soreness after 3 overs. Until this time we were looking good. Jesse Burge bowled very well and got rid of numbers 3 & 4 who had looked like they could cause us a few issues. The next 2 partnerships saw Creek put on another 100+ and we fielded and caught particularly poorly. 5 dropped catches later and numerous bad ground fielding efforts, where not getting down to the ball, going for it one handed or not bending at the knees had us drop our heads and struggle to make a breakthrough. We fought back well to have them at 8-183, which on that wicket and outfield wasn't too bad. The last 2 pairs put on 52 and we eventually rolled them for 238, with Daniel Hesse grabbing 3 wickets with some well thought out change up balls, Jesse Burge 2, Gillespie, TK and Big Drew getting 1 each and the old man chipping in for 2 as well.

We had to bat a nervous 15 overs and looked to be solid and not lose any wickets so we could start afresh the next week. That theory lasted 3 overs when Curtis Taylor was out LBW. Drew and Nemesy batted the day out so we were 1-15 at the end of the day.

The following Saturday arrived after much rain through the latter part of the week, but outstanding consideration by the groundsman had covers on the wicket for the most of the end of the week revealing a pretty good surface. 2 small damp patches were evident, but through the efforts of Crusher and Matt Reynolds, who toiled hard to put things in a decent condition, we started the day at 2pm. Looking for 2.5 runs per over at Chisholm 2 on a good wicket is a very gettable if you play sensible and don't lose wickets. Drew was run out last ball of the first over of the day, when he turned a fairly regulation 2 into a 1.5. Good start to the day. Curtis McMillian was looking great until he pushed too hard at one and was out for 16. 3-60. Jesse Burge and Nemesy then set about

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chasing the match with some sensible batting and got us to 112 before Nemesy attempted to pull one too many short balls and was caught behind for 53. Matt Reynolds came and went quickly, followed by Burge for 31. At 6-113 we were in all sorts of trouble and despite contributions of 10 from TK and a standard hard hitting 14 from Crusher we capitulated for 147.

A poor result for the team. We fielded poorly and paid the price in having to chase about 80 more than we should have and then just didn't consolidate with the bat. With 3 rounds to go, we have to win at least 1 more game to make the semis, but that won't happen unless we pick up the execution in the field and in batting.

4th Grade

TVCC 9/210 dec (Pezzullo 62, Catters 39, Wilson 37) lost to Wests 5/214 (Zhao 2/22, Swannie 2/32)

Round 11 v Weston Creek

Phillip District presented a hard and relatively flat wicket with a little green grass just to make it interesting. We lost the toss and they decided to bat which of course means we had to bowl.

Long once again picked up an early wicket, dismissing the guy who banged us everywhere in the one dayer, through a great catch by the new boy Connor Welfare. We then fell into a hole and bowled the wrong length and lines, probably trying too hard to force a wicket rather than trusting the skill and the field to get the wicket for us. As a result the second wicket fell at 82 – far too many for an opener who **could not bat** and a No. 3 who only had one shot – the forward defensive. We chipped away as they tried to force an advantage and they were 4 down at tea. A change of tactics to the “forward defensive” straight after tea – all the fieldsmen in close catching positions – forced him into trying to play big shots he didn't have and we picked up another wicket with a good catch by young Connor. Bee then proceed to rip out their tail with three wickets in an over (5 balls actually) and they were out for 188. Good efforts from **all**

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the bowlers with Long (3/17) and Bee (4/13) leading the wicket taking honours.

We had a nervous (to quote Paul Nemes) 14 overs to face to end the day. Being short of batsmen I had to do something I don't like doing and asked the keeper (DOK) to open with Swanny. After surviving the initial couple of overs we lost DOK and that brought young Connor to the crease. After a nervous couple of initial balls, he settled down to display a reasonably sound technique in both offence and defence, playing some nice shots to most parts of the ground. Swanny ended up 11* and young Connor a very credible 6* off 25 balls. An excellent effort by these two, ensuring that their teammates were not required to do the job they had been asked to do!

There was an amusing incident towards the end of play when Swanny played a cracking pull shot off the middle of his somewhat large bat only to see the ball bounce twice in front of the square leg fieldsman and then rebound 25 metres straight back at him off square leg's knee. It made a hell of a crack which was only overtaken by the howl of pain from square leg, who immediately turned and started to hobble off the ground, only to collapse after 4 steps. Two guys ran to help him off the field but they were both at least a foot shorter than him meaning the arms around the shoulders support didn't work and he collapsed again. Two new taller supports quickly volunteered. Happy to report that no serious damage was sustained except for the flat spot on the ball.

Unfortunately the Creek boys are a lazy lot and moving the covers on the trailer on the side of the ground into the middle and covering the wicket was far too demanding a task for this bunch of useless numpties. As a result there was no chance of any play with the pitch a pool and the outfield fantastic. Very disappointing!

5th Grade

The first away game for I don't know how long saw the skipper relaxed on arrival at O'Connor oval for a bottom of the table clash. Even away from home the coin came down in favour of the opposition who sent the Good Guys in to bat.

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A quick start from the skipper (26) and Andrew Wilson (36) saw Tuggies get to 45 of the first 9 overs before the loss of the captain. With assistance from Richard Austin (33), Brett Ivery (29), Jaye Whelan (25) and a quick fire 16 from Shahid Khan got the total to 205 before we were bowled out chasing quick runs in the final couple of overs.

Tight bowling and some of our best fielding for the season saw a steady flow of wickets meant we were always in control. With two keepers in the team a game of scissors, paper, rock took place and Andrew Wilson was nominated as keeper and Jacob Stephenson getting a bowl, ending with figures of 2/38 of 7 overs. Shahid took 2/10 of 5 overs and Brett Ivery coming in to clean up the tail finishing with figures of 3/18 of 3.

All round a pleasing effort from everyone with the exception of the rendition of the club song which was mediocre at best.

Homework for this week is

- Bowlers need to target the stumps – we will get plenty of wickets in the next few weeks by bowling at the stumps
- Bowlers get their run ups right
- Batsmen need to concentrate on not getting out – we know we can score runs lets stay in for longer and score more!
- And most importantly – learn the team song so we can belt it out a few more times this season and not finish at the bottom of the table.

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CAPITAL CHEMIST ACT CRICKET JUNIORS TUGGERANONG RESULTS FOR 29-31 January 2016

METEORS JUNIOR CRICKET LEAGUE

Tuggeranong v ANU (Match cancelled due to weather).

Tuggeranong – 4 points ANU – 4 points

T20

UNDER 12 DIVISION 2 SOUTH

Grammar Sky 4/93 (M. Crafter 21*, S. Panagoda 20*, A. Young 3/15, C. Sloan 1/3) def Tuggeranong Hawks 7/55 (AO) (C. Sloan 6*, X. Egan 6, N. Shepherd 2/6, A. Truman 1/2).

Grammar Sky - 4 points Tuggeranong Hawks – 1 point

T20

UNDER 14 DIVISION 2

Grammar 8/126 (H. De Vries 2/12, R. McCaughan 2/13) def Tuggeranong Hawks 8/106 (R. McCaughan 30*, B. McKenzie 19*).

Grammar - 4 points Tuggeranong Hawks – 1 point

T20

U16-18 DIVISION 2

Tuggeranong Eagles (U16) 2/96 (A. Smith 32*, B. Crowe 26, C. McInnes 17, L. Woodbridge 1/11) def Ginninderra Bengals 8/76 (H. Jagers 40*, A. Murphy 13, L. Zwiers 2/11, T. Neill 2/13). Win occurred at end of 17th over.

Tuggeranong Eagles – 4 points Ginninderra Bengals – 1 point

Norths Maroon v Tuggeranong Hawks . Abandoned due to ground conditions.

Norths Maroon – 2 points Tuggeranong Hawks – 2 points

TUGGERANONG PLAYER OF THE WEEK

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Ryan McCaughan of U14 Tuggeranong Hawks with 30 not out and 2/13.

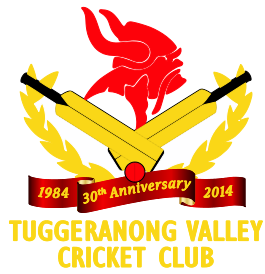
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