



STRATHDALE MARISTIANS CRICKET CLUB NEWSLETTER



Water flowing from the swamp behind Bell Oval was a common occurrence in the first part of the season.

The Drought is Broken !

Newsletter Two has been difficult to write as there hasn't been a lot more cricket than last time. The C Graders had 8 rounds before Christmas and only completed 1 of them!

The pictures above were taken at Bell Oval in the midst of the wet spell and show the amount of water that flowed across the oval and down to the lower oval.

Our New Clubrooms

Just before Christmas, it was announced that we were going to receive the funding we needed to build our new clubrooms. This will mean the

redevelopment of the Dick Conroy Pavilion, upgraded toilets and a space that we can call our own.

Prowsy has been busy making our memorabilia ready for the new rooms and it will really add to the look and feel of the club.

These redevelopments should begin shortly and all things being equal, we should be starting the 2011/2012 in the new clubrooms!

A huge thanks must go to Andrew Price and his team who have been

following these plans through at a number of levels.

Future plans could include hard wickets so we can play our juniors and seniors at the one location - a real bonus for our club!

The Bendigo Advertiser article is on our website under Downloads - check it out!

Go Suns!

Right Arm Office



WHERE IS THIS?



WHAT IS THIS MYSTERIOUS
PIC ?

FIND OUT ON THE BACK PAGE!



SOME OF OUR NEW APPAREL -
CHECK OUT THE WEBSITE FOR
MORE!

All the News from Around the Club

Our First Tons!

With limited cricket comes limited opportunities to make runs. Two of our players (nearly three!) have against tons in the season to date. Against White Hills in Round 7 Jono Davidson made a brilliant 127 and Brenton Conforti (better known as fish) was sensational in Round 5 making 153 not out! Congratulations to both of these players and make sure we add to this total before the season ends.

Training Inside

With the huge number of wet days (especially on the weekend) we have been forced to train inside on a number of occasions.

We have used the Indoor Cricket facility in Kangaroo Flat and we also went 10 pin bowling one night which was a great way to enjoy each others' company.

Check out the video of the big (and little !) boys on the Club website under media and videos:

www.strathdalemaristianscc.com

Also check out the other videos and images that we have accumulated over the last few years.

T20 Cricket

The T20 side has been performing beautifully and are likely to again make the final.

They received a bit of a shock against Kangaroo Flat as the Flat took it right up to SMCC and almost stole it in the end.

Check out the video of the Kangaroo Flat game on our website - in particular, watch the slow motion catch of Dom - expertly captured by the resident paparazzi. (To see videos, go to MEDIA => Videos)

Batting and Bowling Leaders

Batting:

A Grade - Jono Davidson - 182
B Grade - Brenton Conforti - 289
C Grade - Darren Hocking - 155
U 17s - Liam Ireland - 106

Bowling:

A Grade - Ben Dearaugo - 10
B Grade - Brenton Conforti - 7
C Grade - Rob Murrell - 6
U 17s - Dylan Bailie - 6

THE ACTION IS IN 'C' GRADE!



JIMMY LAIDLAW IN ACTION



MUZZA ON THE ATTACK



OH, THE PAIN!



TRAV TAKES A BIT LONGER TO PAD UP THESE DAYS



JONO MADE 127 IN ROUND 7

The Interesting Stuff Goes Here!

Interview with Chris DeAraugo

RAO: So Chris, what's it like being the sire of two great SMCC cricketers?

CD: Hang on, I've just noticed my initials - I was born to be a musician!

RAO: Ah, yes.. so which do you prefer - cricket or music?

CD: When I am playing at all the gigs - it is music - when it is my kids playing - it is music!

RAO: Favorite memory?

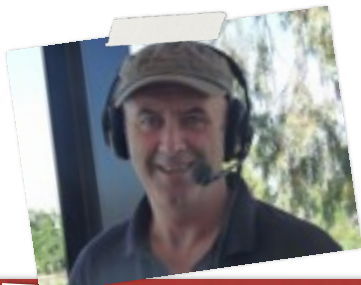
CD: Playing with my boys in England - Ben was on tambourine!

RAO: What is your advice best for young cricketers?

CD: Have an outlet for your music - cricket is good for that.

RAO: Last word...?

CD: 'Brendan Dreschler has a car for you!'



THE STYLE OF DOMMA!

CRICKET TRIVIA

IN HIS LAST TEST MATCH, DON BRADMAN MADE A DUCK - LARGELY BECAUSE HIS EYES WERE FULL OF TEARS AS THE OPPOSITION HAD GIVEN HIM THREE CHEERS.

HOW MANY RUNS DID HE NEED TO MAKE TO HAVE HAD AN AVERAGE OF 100 IN TESTS?

Quotable Quotes:

Only Initials allowed here - so you have to work out who said what!

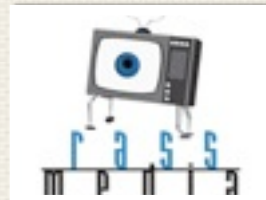
1. Said at a committee meeting recently:

"The tenders have just gone in for the refurbishments."

AC: "So who got it?"

2. "Ouch that hurts!" RA, TF, MA, GF, CH, AD, PC, DH (only for a day though!)

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ALL THE ANSWERS HERE



Cricket Trivia

In the last newsletter, you were asked to nominate the joke about the West Indian cricketers. Here are the answers:

1. The two West Indian cricketers were: Clive Lloyd and Joel Garner
2. They were on the Sydney Harbour Bridge, and
3. They were doing a wee!



Mystery Picture

Training in the Wet

When you can't train outside, what do you do?

Go bowling, of course! The boys trained at the Bendigo Bowl in November. Here is a picture of them hard at it!

The mystery pic was of course the pins that players were aiming at! (left - Mystery Picture below is Travis scaring the gutters!)



127 Magnificent runs!

Here you can see Jono walking off the ground at the conclusion of his fantastic innings in Round 7 at White Hills. Fish (Brenton Conforti) is our other century maker with 153 not out - a truly fantastic achievement.

Front Page Answer - Roller on Page 1 is at the MCG - Day three of the Boxing Day Test.

Upcoming Functions - Golf Day and Trivia Night

SOCIAL CALENDAR

1. CHRISTMAS BREAKUP - 11TH DEC AT THE RISER ✓
2. GOLF DAY - 6TH FEB AT AXEDALE
3. TRIVIA NIGHT - 19TH FEB AT THE BENDIGO CLUB
4. PRESENTATION DAY - SUNDAY 3RD APRIL AT THE BENDIGO CLUB



Annual Golf Day

Our fantastic Golf Day will be held later than usual this year on the 6th of February at the Royal Axedale course.

Cost is \$100 per team of 4 which entitles you to a game of golf, a feed before play gets underway and your first beverage.

As usual, there will be prizes for the winners, so we are encouraging you to get together a group of friends and enjoy a good day out.

Contact Prowsy with your team ASAP!

Trivia Night - Feb 19th

Our trivia night/ auction will be held at the Bendigo Club and will again have an auction as part of the evening. You can see some of the items that may be up for

auction on this page. We would appreciate items being paid off on the night. Get your tables together for what promises to be a great night !

