



NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the Season 2012/13!
Here we go - Three in a Row!



Welcome back to the new season, one that has our A Grade team at the top of the heap in all three versions of the game - Senior BDCA cricket, One Day competition and T20 cricket!

The club, both on and off the field, is performing well, but this is a new season, with new

challenges and we all need to work hard, enjoy the game and see what comes!

"Do your best and have fun!"
 a great motto for all players - old and young.

Go Suns!

The Right Arm Offie

2011/12 BDCA Grand Final

SMCC - 10/270

B DeAraugo - 72

C Taylor - 50

C Howard - 42

T King - 31

D Taylor - 19

L Jacobs - 19

R Haythorpe - 13*

DEFEATED

BUCCs 10/236

B DeAraugo - 2/67

J DeAraugo 2/15

D Taylor 1/32

C Howard 1/64

B Hocking 1/32



INTRODUCING - THE SOCIAL CLUB AT SMCC

During the off season the committee decided to initiate a Social Committee to allow all our faithful supporters to join a group that's sole purpose is to add to the culture of the club and be rewarded for supporting our great club.

There are 3 levels of Social Club Membership. **Gold** (club shirt, hat, first drink free at Bell Oval etc.), **Silver** (club

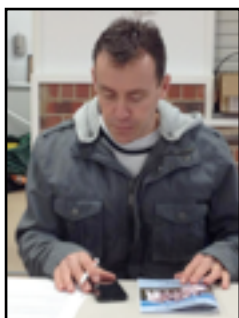


hat, first drink free at Bell Oval etc.) and **Bronze** (first drink free at Bell Oval etc.).

If you wish to become a member contact any of the committee members or the coach of your junior team.

Then, get along to Bell Oval, wear your shirt or hat and enjoy the game!

THE NEW COMMITTEE REVEALED



At the Annual General Meeting, all Committee roles were spilled and elections were held. The following positions were finalised:

President - Sean McCann
(pictured receiving a congratulatory text from outgoing president Rich)

Vice President - Travis Ledwidge

Secretary - Michael Prowse

Treasurer - Ben DeAraugo

Also at the meeting, Cameron Taylor was announced as the Senior Coach, with Linton Jacobs A Grade captain, Darren Hocking B Grade captain and Brad Shepherd/ Cam Carter as joint captains of C Grade.

The Committee were quick to praise the efforts of a number of people who were key players in the clubroom developments, the efforts of all players and the ongoing efforts to transform Strathdale Park into a cricket complex for all ages.

It is a first for the Right Arm Offie, that in all the years of playing cricket, this season marks the first time there are female members of the Senior Committee. Welcome to them and all new members and let's continue to work hard for all the men, boys and girls who wish to play the great game of cricket in the Strathdale area.

AGM The first AGM in the new buildings

Committee Man Dean Proudly wearing his Premiership medal

The Right Arm Offie hasn't told anyone that when Heath Behrens was caught behind for a golden off Jake, his fingers were shaking that badly that he couldn't tweet properly. The news was slow getting out!

A WICKET IN A GRANNY - EXAMINED!



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The batsmen, beaten in flight and going back on his stumps

The bat - what you are supposed to hit the ball with, but he didn't

The pads - the thing that the ball hit and would have gone on to hit the stumps

The keeper - low, eyes on the ball. He is a good keeper - he is lower than most!

The ball - round leather object that **MUST** be watched all the way!



OUT!

- AND THE UMPY SAID -

"THAT IS PLUMB SON - ON YOUR WAY!"

That's not what he really said, that would be unprofessional. But, he did think it!

AN INTERVIEW WITH BRAD SHEPHERD

RAO: Well Brucie, after a great year last year, you are sharing the C Grade captaincy this year with Cam. What's the strategy for going back to back?

BS: I think we will train hard, bowl good lines/lengths, value our wicket and build partnerships.

RAO: Cut the BS, BS. What's your plan?

BS: Bowl me as much as we can and open with me. If everyone can support me through the order, we should be okay.

RAO: What about Cam - what do you think his role will be?

BS: I've made Cam's role very clear - back me up when we are bowling and I'll try and get him out of number 10!

RAO: Who do you think will be your biggest threat?

BS: I think Cam will be. I'll have to watch him!

RAO: Worst memory in cricket?

BS: Playing at Fire Brigade in Ky, there was this bloke at Kyabram who carted me all over the place and got me out everytime I batted. Still gives me nightmares - he pops up every now and then.

RAO: Advice for young cricketers?

BS: Be an allrounder. Don't get sucked into that specialising stuff!



A RULE AND A QUIZ



This part of the newsletter in the 2012/13 season will be where we learn a little more about the rules and have a cricket quiz. There are free soft drinks if you can answer the quiz and tell the Right Arm Offie (but first you have to find him!)

Rule:

Runs are scored by the two batsmen leaving their crease and

making it to the crease at the other end after the batsman on strike has hit the ball.

If the batsmen run multiple runs, they must 'touch down' in the crease at the other end, before they return for another run. A short run is called by the umpire if the player does not touch down or they fail to touch down over the crease line.

If both batsmen run short (in the same run) only one short run is called.

If you only run one run and it is a short run, you are out run out.

Quiz:

1. If a bowler bowls a bouncer, hits the batsman on the helmet whilst he is ducking and the ball flies over the boundary on the full, what should the umpire signal?

- a. 6 leg byes
- b. 4 leg byes
- c. dead ball



Get along to the
Golf Day on
Oct 31st and
enjoy the day at
Bendigo Golf



ALL THE GOOD OIL

Premiers - Again!

On the 18th of March, 2012, Strathdale-Maristians Cricket Club was crowned Premiers for the second year in a row.

Again, the Grand Final adversary was Bendigo United Cricket Club with whom we have a huge rivalry, built up over a number of seasons.

Most of the team have saddled up again and we look set to be right in it again.

STORIES FROM THE CLUB

Talented Seconds

B Grade was awash with talent in the first game of the season. Darren Hocking, taking over as captain, must have thought he was in heaven with Barry Findlay and Andrew Price batting at 7 and 8!

Baz also probably fulfilled a dream many of us older blokes have in that he got to play with his son, Tyson.

C Grade Premiership

Trav and his team finally got a C Grade premiership after a few years in the wilderness. In fact, they did something that isn't

accomplished very often - they went from last to first in the space of a season. Trav was very humble in letting the Right Arm Offie know who was the better captain!

Scores: SMCC 5/187 def BUCCs 5/185. Brock made 90, Brodie 27, Brucie 23, Fozzy 15* (important!) and Heels 11.

Dazz and Cam C picked up 2 wickets each.

Under 13 Bs are Premiers

The Spider Bakes coached Under 13 B's were premiers making 8/124 and beating Bendigo who made 8/104. Best with the bat were James V - 28*, Hunter L - 16* and Sean O - 12. Ben H chipped in with two wickets.

Well done boys!



Who's getting into the drinks?

Social Calendar

October 21st, 2012

Golf Day - Bendigo Golf Club

See a committee member for details.

December 22nd

Christmas Party - Rising Sun Hotel

January 27th, 2013

\$1000 Draw - Clubrooms

March 31st

Senior Presentation Day

Bendigo Club

Around the Traps

ANDREW CHALKLEY



We wish Andrew all the best with his career at

Richmond. Andrew was a member of the last two A Grade Grand Finals.

UNNAMED EX PLAYER



Apparently, a former player was asked to leave his own 21st! AND,

he had it at home!

TRAVIS LEDWIDGE



After many years of toiling away as a player, captain and committee member,

Trav was rewarded with a Premiership medallion as Captain of the victorious C Grade team.