

Wandering About

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Monners runs (his mouth)...

We really are at the pointy end of the season now. It's no real secret that a few guys are unavailable this week, so in a real case of "all hands on deck", players have been recalled from as far away as Junee and New Zealand (actually not really, Hersch was going to be back anyway). By virtue of 1st Grade and 4th Grade losing their qualifying finals last week, all matches are now sudden-death from here on. If you've ever meant to get out and show your support for the Wanderers this season, this is the week to do it. Here is where everyone is playing:

1st Grade – Rivett, Bangalay Cct

3rd Grade – Wanniasa (the "220 ground"), Cnr Sternberg Cres and Wheeler Cres

4th Grade – Narrabundah, Cnr Sturt Ave and Captain Cook Cres

This week we've got a Prez Says, normal reminders and updates, the shortest match report I've ever done plus a call for a couple of cricketers to play cricket in Thailand. Phuket, why not?

Don't forget if you've got something to say, send it to matthew.sk.morrison@gmail.com or josh.crase@gmail.com. It might be your last chance this year!

Cheers,

Crazy and Monners.

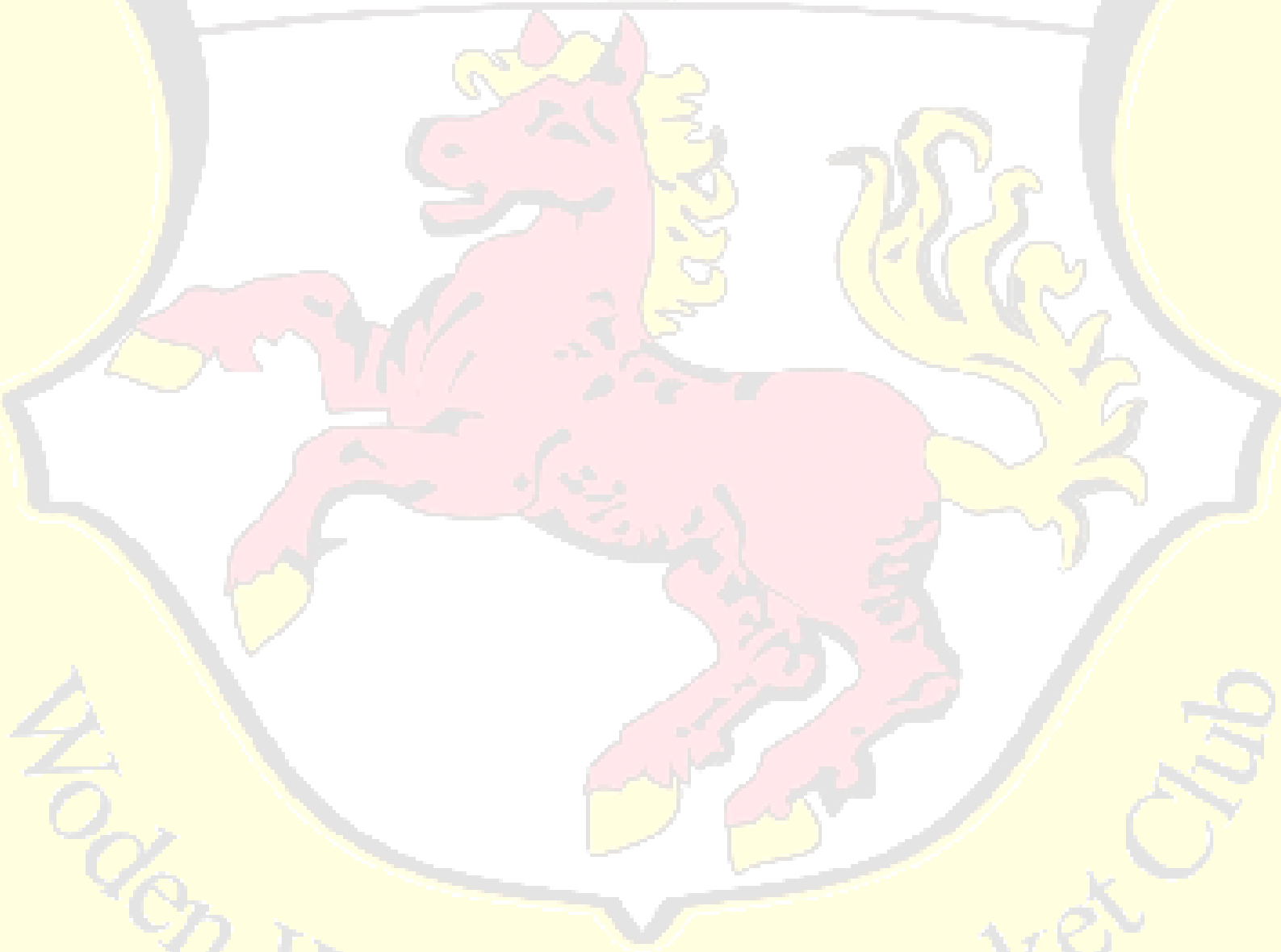
Prez Says...

A massive effort from the 3s last weekend has kept them in the hunt, while things didn't quite go the way that 1s and 4s would want. The lucky thing is we're all still in the finals this weekend and you all still have a chance to win a Presidential keg off me this weekend!!!

We have a wealth of talent and experience in all three sides again this weekend. More than enough to knock off Baaarton and Workers. Trust in each and every member of your team and above all else enjoy your cricket out there this weekend. It's a heck of a lot easier to win when you're there to have fun.

If you haven't received an invitation to this years Presentation night (which is on Saturday 4th April) it may be because we don't have your most up-to-date postal address details. Please send these to me ASAP and I'll get your invitation out in the mail.

I look forward to seeing you all back at the Club this Saturday night.
GO YOU WANDERERS!!! GO YOU GOOD THINGS!!!



Training

Assuming a team wins this weekend, training will be on at **Duffy Oval** (Dixon Drive) on **Wednesday** at **5:00pm**. Come down if you can and help the boys out. The less I bowl, the less of the batsmen's time is wasted.



Training. You won't know what you've got 'til it's gone...

Selections

If you're likely to play in a 1st, 3rd or 4th grade team in the coming weeks, make sure you have notified selections@wodenwandererscc.com of your availability. If circumstances change, please also contact this address as soon as possible. Don't forget that your availability affects not only your team, but teams in every grade below you.

To see where you're playing go to <http://www.wodenwandererscc.com/site2/pages/Selections/>.

Presentation Night

Presentation Night is on Saturday April 4 - hopefully you got your spiffy invitation sent to you through snail mail. If you haven't got your invitation yet, check your mail. If you can't find the mail key, it's probably in your housemate's trousers. Canapés will be served from 7pm, so if you need a cover for your ute be on time. Dress is semi-formal, and the cost is \$40 per person and \$70 for a couple. RSVP to the Prez, Peter Bowman, by Saturday 21 March.

International Cricket Sixes Competition

This is from Madame Treasurer, Caitlin Hammick:

My friend Rachel Tham is looking for one or two cricketers to join a team to play in the International Cricket Sixes Competition in Phuket. Rachel and her husband own a wine export business, Custom Wines, exporting wine to China and as a part of their client activities, they sponsor a team in this competition.

The competition runs from 15 – 19 April 2008. All items associated with the cricket - uniform, transport, functions, equipment, entry fee etc. will be paid for. You would need to pay for your own airfare and accommodation. From Canberra to Phuket return for that period is around \$1500 so it's a cheap holiday. (**Editor's note:** it could be even less than that ex Sydney). Accommodation at the team hotel is only \$100 per night and I think includes breakfast.

There would also be a few meals to pay for. You can also turn it into a holiday and stay longer (at your own expense). They are looking for around 'D' grade cricketer level or higher and women cricketers are welcome. Partners are welcome and their fee to be a part of the competition as a spectator would be paid for.

It is part of the Custom Wines overseas advertising promo for this year and promises to be lots of fun. For more info log onto www.phuketsixes.com and if you are interested, please call Rachel on 0416 006 978 or Caitlin (Madame Treas) on 0412 737 851.

Contact Details

Here are the details of people you may need to contact at the club:

President	Peter J Bowman	0419 293 592	president@wodenwandererscc.com
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A word from our sponsors...



The **West Deakin Hellenic Bowling Club** has been the home of the Woden Wanderers Cricket Club since the 2004/2005 season. After games on Saturdays, players of all grades retire to the "Bowlo" to swap fishing tales from the day's play over a couple of beers. Every week the captains deliver a "Call of the Card", a barbecue is held and those present go into the draw for a meat tray.



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Kingston Butchery provides the meat trays for the badge draws after games each Saturday. If you spend \$40 or more at the Kingston Butchery this season you will get 20% off the purchase price. We recommend any of Jody's prize-winning sausages, with his marinated roasts and steaks fantastic for any occasion.



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Weston Indoor Sports Club offer indoor cricket, access to a cricket bowling machine, netball, volleyball and soccer for people of all ages and all sporting levels. You'll find plenty of Wanderers at Weston Indoor Sports in teams such as the Polar Bears and the Partridge Famulee Sporting Club on Tuesday nights.

The **Civic Merry-Go-Round** is run by a new Wanderer to the club, James Penny. He has generously donated some vouchers valid for 10 free rides on the Merry-Go-Round. If you are interested in collecting one of these vouchers, whether for yourself or someone of a more appropriate age, send an email to president@wodenwandererscc.com.



JP will hold your hand if you're scared

Match reports

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1st Grade, Major Semi Final vs Northside Lightning at O'Connor by Matthew Morrison

1st Grade headed to O'Connor to play Northside in the Major Semi Final. The ground was in immaculate condition, and although the forecast maximum was 32 degrees, a steady breeze meant that conditions were quite bearable. Pipey won the toss and put Northside in to bat. Crazy had to withdraw at the last minute due to a nasty bug, so Mick Foti got a late call-up.

Northside batted with a combination of skill and luck, which is always bad news for the bowlers. Our first wicket didn't arrive until the 27th over, with the score on 161. JP bowled craftily, picking up our first two wickets and ending up with 2/29 off 6 overs. Blake probably bowled the best he has for 1st Grade (at least the best I've seen from my vantage point of deep mid-wicket). 3/43 off 9 overs were fantastic figures given the context of the game and the speed of the outfield. Damo kept well again, and even got a couple of stumpings off Blake. For Starky it was a case of "better late than never": he only bowled 4.2 overs, but took 4/21. At one stage Northside looked like they might make 1000, so it was a relief that we managed to restrict them to 254.

When we batted, a lot of guys got starts (four of our top five got more than 20), but nobody went on with it. Losing 3/0 shortly after drinks really hurt, and then the run rate became something we just couldn't overcome. Starky hit a massive 6 to deep left-centre that provided some entertainment for the punters from 3rd Grade who made their way over from Lyneham, but we eventually were bowled out for 194 with 3 overs remaining to lose by 60 runs.

Next week 1st Grade plays Barton at Rivett, and from now on all games are sudden-death. We'll be missing some players, so we'll need something special from someone next week to keep our season alive.

Huge thanks must go to:

- Jeremy Marples, for scoring all day
- Boxy, for giving 100% while filling in as a fielder once The Chad went down. It should also be noted that we dominated the period that he was at the game. You should've stayed longer!
- Anyone else who turned up at any point during the day to lend their support.

All of your efforts were much appreciated.