

# From the Boundary Rope

61st EDITION

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## One Dayer – 1 'C' MCC 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs Khayalitsha CC played away

### DEBUTANT ADRIAANSE BREAKS SPINE OF KHAYA' TOP ORDER!

Arriving at Khaya after losing our convoy that ended up in New Ways, Skipper and I arrived at a very nice facility of Khaya CC. Eventually the team arrived and it was down to a Morgs team versus a whoever captained and if I got the call correct Morgs' team lost 2 – 0 this week!!! ***(Warm up soccer is put aside for the next two weeks where our focus will start upon arrival!!!)***

Faheem started with a maiden over and skipper Holman threw an arm ball by changing his initial thought of opening with himself when crossing "The Rope" and tossed the ball to debutant 17 year old Nic Adriaanse.....! After a very nervous first over, Nic brushed away the first 4 balls of his next over to get an edge and Crowley did the rest. K CC 17/1 in 4 overs.

With Faheem struggling into the wind, Nic in his third over had batter 3 in all sorts of trouble and took only five balls to have him cleaned bowled, great bowling conceding 2/11 in 3 overs.

Andy replaces Faheem and 5<sup>th</sup> ball got a LBW decision and KCC were now in trouble at 22/3. Only opener Worti putting up any resistance!

Nic clean bowls number 5 and K CC 23/4!

Andy continued with some very tidy bowling, but Skip Holman decided the youngster Nic had enough and replaced him from the clubhouse side. It was in Holman's second over that he found the edge and Crowley doing the business again, Holman in amongst the wickets again.....!

K CC 37/5 in 14 overs.

Wes G had replaced Andy and found the wide ball very close to the stumps in the first division, but after getting away with 5 off his first over bounced back to rid K CC of their opener caught on the square leg boundary by Sias.

K CC 45/7 and not much batting left!

Wes strikes again and has another scalp caught by Faheem and a maiden wicket was achieved with two in an over.

A few overs followed with not much pencil used in the scorebook and then Damian got a stumping off Copie and Rich wrapped the rest for Millies to have Khaya all out for 53 in 24 overs and 95 minutes.

Well Done Nic on debut 5 – 0 - 14 – 3.

Target 54 to win, with MCC needing a favour from The Plein in beating Otto's we went for net run rate and Faheem and Braham had fun and were just short of a 10 wicket victory when unfortunately Faheem was caught on the boundary for 14.

Damian put KCC out of its agony and smashed a winning six over long on to be undefeated on 17 and Braham also undefeated on 25!

Not the ideal warm up for Ottomans, but the momentum is building!

***(Guys as said last week, feet on the ground, address Ottomans as just another day of business..... Forget all about trophies etc, we there to score 180 and bowl them out and take it from there. I do ask of you all, minds strong at practice and lets work hard and you will be rewarded..... good luck boys, remember I have never beaten Ottomans, this is the second last Target Tick Box to be ticked for the season!!!)***

### **MCC Annual Six-a-Side Tournament 2010**

#### **AGGIES AND FAHEEM KNOCK THE LEATHER OFF THE BALL IN FIVE OVERS**



The 2010 six-a-side tournament saw 8 teams compete in a Club Challenge on the A field, 6 teams in a Social Challenge on the B field and 4 teams in the Ladies Challenge on the rugby field.

The ladies played 3 matches each and the Ladies in Black (wives and girlfriends of 6<sup>th</sup> XI) topped the table at the end of the round robin format. Many thanks to Luka for coordinating the ladies, Derek Osner and young Darren for umpiring and Andre, Sias, Damian for setting up the field with mat, wickets and boundaries and packing them away at the end.

After the round robin stage on the B Field, Aubrey's 6 played against Bosmansdam A in the 5<sup>th</sup> place play off. The semi final saw Eric's 6 unexpectedly triumph over the Super Sixes while Chad's 6 were too strong for Bosmansdam B. The final went down to the wire. Eric's 6 batted first and scored 46/3 (Tim Rowley 25\*) Chad's 6 chased the total with 1 ball remaining ending on 47/0 (Andrew Hall 26\*). Many thanks to official umpire Ebrahim Davids and Christo "Kwagga" van der Berg for overseeing proceedings on the B field.

The teams in the Club Challenge were determined by a draw that took place on Thursday. Two withdrawals on Sunday resulted in the following team starting line up:

Group A	Rajasthan Royals		Mumbia Indians		Royal Challengers		Kings XI	
	Player 1	Achmat Osman	Player 1	Shane Morgan	Player 1	Damian Crowley	Player 1	Justin du Toit
	Player 2	Faheem Bedford	Player 2	Sias Bezuidenhout	Player 2	Chris Gibson	Player 2	Ryan Carstens
	Player 3	Eric Osner	Player 3	Leon Russouw	Player 3	Dave "Irish" McCauley	Player 3	Gavin Smith
	Player 4	George Kamfer	Player 4	Wayne Beukes	Player 4	Matthew Rowley (U13)	Player 4	Slim Mydali
	Player 5	Wray van Schalkwyk	Player 5	Mike vd Merwe	Player 5	Darrin Ross	Player 5	Riaan Oodendal
	Player 6	Morgan Maxwell	Player 6	Vernon vd Berg	Player 6	Michael Gillespie	Player 6	Keith Eagar

  

Group B	Deccan Chargers		Knight Riders		Super Kings		Dehli Daredevils	
	Player 1	Zarin Hardenberg	Player 1	Braham van Wyk	Player 1	Andy Milne	Player 1	Richard Holman
	Player 2	Johno McDonald	Player 2	Jason Maritz	Player 2	Nadeem Bedford	Player 2	Wesley Groenewald
	Player 3	Daniel Snyman	Player 3	Kevin Barnes	Player 3	Marko Blazic	Player 3	Peter Hillman
	Player 4	Carl Smit	Player 4	Cameron Conolly	Player 4	Rick Tyalor	Player 4	Gert James
	Player 5	Stuart Maxwell	Player 5	Damon du Randt	Player 5	Gert Badenhorst	Player 5	Mike Reynders
	Player 6	Bruce Gillespie	Player 6	Tony Akerman	Player 6	Andre Theunissen	Player 6	Steve Harding

In order to prevent a repeat of last year's miscalculations, this year's tournament organisers introduced the use of technology by way of an Excel spreadsheet. After the 12 group games the final log standings were as follows:

Team Name	Runs			Wickets			Total Wins	Log Points	Group Position
	Game1	Game2	Game3	Game1	Game2	Game3			
Rajasthan Royals	62	45	59	3	2	1	1	25	3
Mumbia Indians	54	50	52	0	1	2	1	22	4
Royal Challengers	52	60	43	3	1	3	2	30	1
Kings XI	44	55	62	4	2	0	2	29	2
Deccan Chargers	61	43	54	0	3	3	2	29	2
Knight Riders	56	34	51	3	1	3	0	20	4
Super Kings	61	65	69	1	4	1	3	36	1
Dehli Daredevils	52	51	35	1	4	2	1	24	3

The final was contested between the Kings XI and the Royal Challengers. The Challengers batted first to post a massive 76/0 (Gert Badenhorst 17\*, Nadeem Bedford 26\* and Andy Milne 20\*). In response the Royal Challengers only managed to post 35/1 (Damian Crowley 25\*) off their allotted 5 overs and the Super Kings were crowned 2010 champs.

Thanks to Craig Phillips, even though he was not able to attend in his usual capacity he did all the behind the scenes work (organizing score sheets, clipboards, match balls umpires lunches etc). Thanks also go to A Field official umpire Cassiem Fredericks, resident DJ Tony Ackerman, kitchen and bar teams (Luka, Cornelia, Sue, Bianca etc) and Damon du Randt who sponsored a R300 winning purse for the Club Challenge winners.

Finally thanks to the "portofolio" committee of Sias Bezuidenhout, Leon Russouw and Mike Reynders for organising the successful event, initial indications are that a fundraising profit of R7000 was made on the day!

***(Say no more, this is The Stag on the day, no club can match us! A big thanks to Mike, Leon and Bass for the organizing of this event, I have heard rumours that next season the \$\$\$\$ will fly at the auctioning of players.....will Holman still get last selection?)***

### **BYE - Res 'B' MCC 2<sup>nd</sup> XI**

### **One Dayer - Res 'F' MCC 3rd XI vs WPCC played away**

#### **STAG UNDONE BY WPCC POWER MACHINE**

Millies arrive at WPCC to find a really good batting deck has been prepared for us. After loosing the toss we are put into the field to bowl. With it being such a good batting deck and such a fast out field we knew early wickets would be needed. Snyman provided us with a good start, getting one of the openers out caught by Jason. Followed by another quick wicket of there number three batter out bowled. At this stage things looked good. WPCC 2/21.

Enter there number four batter Mr. Abrahams. With a 101 run partnership between himself and the other opener, we knew it was going to be a big run chase. WPCC 100 came up in the 14 over of the day, with the ball being smashed to all parts of the field. With good balls and bad balls being treated the same; it really wasn't a good day to be a bowler. Zeeman eventually removed Mr. Abrahams for a well played 63.

Our best bit of bowling was done by Eric who managed to get the other opener out lbw for 74 and picked up a stumping to end with figures of 9-36-2. D. Snyman ended with figures of 6-49-3. the only other real high lights in the field was a really good catch taken by P Hillman off his own bowling and a one handed catch that had to be thrown back into the field by Zeeman before he fell over the boundary (saving a certain 6).

Notables for WPCC. Johnson 74, Abrahams 63, Hanslo 83

Wpcc ended there 45 overs on 297/7

New opening pair of George and Peter were sent out to try and get us off to a good quick start. Unfortunately Peter fell in the second over. Ryan Karsten then joined George at the crease and they started to move the score along nicely. They managed to get the score to 56 before George was caught. With wickets falling pretty regularly it was only when Jason and Marko got together that a partnership was formed. They managed to put on 60 runs together. With the game pretty much over millies tail decided to show WPCC that we bat all the way to number 11. Zeeman put on one of the fastest 40's I have ever seen. In the process hitting 5x4's and a huge six that landed in the road over the longest boundary. Snyman also entered the action by hitting 2x4's and a straight 6.

Milnerton ended on 221/9

Notables with the bat. Karsten 35, De Vries 32, Zeeman 40

In hindsight we did not field or bowl as well as what we should have. With better fielding and catching we could probably have saved another 30 or 40 runs in the field. We now know what awaits us in the last game of the season when we head back to WPCC for a 2day game. I don't think that wpcc realize that they have woken the stag up, we are now more determined than ever to go back there and show them the fight in Millies cricket.

### **3B - MCC 4<sup>th</sup> XI vs Edgemead CC played at MCC 'A'**

MCC 144 in 40 overs, Edgemead bowled out for 129. MCC win by 25 runs.

### **3D - MCC 5<sup>th</sup> XI vs Mowbray Away**

#### **CRUMBLING PITCH TAKES THE FIGHT OUT OF THE FIFTHS**

On arrival and quick pitch inspection of the Mowbray B field revealed a pitch that had last been watered with decent rainfall (November 2009?). Although not as bad as the Gaza Strip, the bumpy and dusty surface would definitely be a challenge to bat on. With only 3 opposition players in evidence by 13:30 the toss was claimed and the Fifths elected to bat first. By 13:45 a full team in whites with a set of stumps was ready to start the game, the opposition were clearly not aware of the new start time for 3<sup>rd</sup> division games.

Batting conditions proved tough as expected and by the 27<sup>th</sup> over the 5<sup>ths</sup> were 57/9 with none of the top 9 batsmen managing to get to double figures. Batsmen No. 10, Rory Keane and No. 11 Jade Eagar managed to guts it out and post a face saving partnership of 43 runs before Rory went out with a ball to spare in the 39<sup>th</sup> over. A score of 101 was posted thanks to Rory (18) and Jade (17), and the bowlers (turned batsmen) had something to bowl at considering the condition of the pitch.

The new ball was shared by Skipper Mike and usual opener Jade. Jade picked up an early wicket while the Skip finished with figures of 8-4-8-0. At drinks the Fighting Fifts were still in the game with Mowbray ducking and diving to 40/1. After drinks Shaun Wessels picked up the 2<sup>nd</sup> wicket. Unfortunately the opposition batsman then started playing some shots and reached 103 in the 32<sup>nd</sup> over without losing any more wickets.

Pink Cap incumbent Mike vd Merwe inexplicably arrived at the club with only Barney and no cap! After phoning a (new) friend, the cap found its way to the ground, but for reasons known only to VD (and Barney?) the cap failed to make an appearance on the field. Since the Mugabe vote had been forfeited by the Pink Cap no show, a unanimous team vote decided to enforce the follow on, and VD becomes the first team member to claim his hat-trick of Pinkies!

### **3D MCC 'A' "Closed XI" vs Bishop Lavis CC played away.**

#### **LAVIS HUMILIATED BY THE STAG – NOW THEY NEED THAT SPANBOU!**

The 'Closed XI' travelled to Bishop Lavis on a wonderful sunny Saturday afternoon. We were welcomed by some local fans who looked well organized and well oiled for a great day of cricket. Vice-Captain Ed was forced to take the toss as the skipper, Grant, was helping Rondebosch give Wynberg a cricket lesson. We lost the toss and were sent in to bat on an interesting wicket. Green in the middle and as dry as the Sahara on either end. Ed and Brett got us off to an absolute flyer and set the platform for a mammoth total. Brett was given out LBW for a well played 32 (This is what apparently happened: the ball pitched outside leg, turned sharply to the offside, Brett got an inside edge outside of off stump & the ball hit him in line). Ed top scored on the day with a superb 90. Then in walked Bryn, who proceeded to take the Bishop Lavis bowling apart. He eventually ran out of steam on 82. The skipper played a few glorious strokes but was caught on the boundary for 28. This catch was a one handed effort, which took the fielder about 20 seconds to realize that the ball was in his hand. Ewan showed us how to clear the boundary with ease and scored a very quick 56. We finished our 40 overs on 318/9. (New club record?).

The 'Closed XI Tigers' were keen for an early finish. Christo and Grant opened the bowling with the selfish intention of taking all the wickets. This was not to be, but they came close with figures of 3/13 and 4/25 respectively. We did manage to bowl Bishop Lavis all out in the 21<sup>st</sup> over for 55.

We beat them by 263 runs.

### **3E – League MCC XI vs played at home**

#### **SUPER SIXES WIN BY A WIDE**

Back to home base for the day and the Super Sixes are amped to repay United for the previous loss 2 weeks prior. Having lost to United B, the Super Sixes are eager to come back and thump United A. Let's send a message!

Gathering under the tree on the far side of the B track, MCC get organized and ready for a good game. United arrive at 13h00 and the toss is taken. Since JJ is away for the weekend, the toss duties are taken by Chris Coetzee. Unfortunately MCC lose the toss and United chose to bat. The Super Sixes were definitely going to bat first should we have won it but it was not to be. The Sixes gather on the field and set about duties. New opening pair of "Tin Tin" and "Waterboy" take the ball as Chris and Rob requested first change.

Clarence and Neil start beautifully as the first two overs went for 1 and 0 runs respectively. Clarence struck for the Super Sixes in his second. Bowling his banana balls, he hit the outside edge of the No2 which traveled to first slip who grabbed a beautiful catch diving forward leaving United on 5/1. Nice catch Rob.

Tin Tin was back in the action in his third over, again bowling the banana ball, providing Brett with a simple catch at keeper. United 13/2 after 5.

United managed to get a partnership going now, Some shots played and many, many shots missed, they got to the 19 over mark with their score on 66/2. Drinks taken an over early and MCC have a quick chat. Time to get this game finished. With the rugby on later we all wanted to see the Bulls crush the Warratahs. Enter Mr. Hughes who got the No 4 with his first delivery. He bowled a short ball that sat up outside off, the batsmen obviously couldn't believe his eyes as he managed to hit it straight to "Jakes" cover for a straight forward catch. Hashim struck again with his next delivery, bowling the new batsmen for a golden duck. Hashim confused the batsman totally with this ball as he went back, then forward and then back again, completely missing the ball.

Hashim picked up the last wicket of our last game and with these two wickets, Hashim grabbed himself a nice hatrick. The first hatrick for the Super Sixes. Well bowled boykie. United 68/4 after 20.

It took a further 5 overs and some slogging from United before MCC picked up another wicket, thanks to Chris as he bowled the already twice out batsmen. This batsmen was stumped by Brett and caught by Rob but intervention from the umpires saved his life. He was adjudged to be safe for the stumping and he was caught off a knee high full toss adjudge to be a no-ball. ( based on height, as square leg made the call ). Chris decided to send him back for good.

United's No 7 gave MCC a small amount of trouble but Chris kept his cool and combined with Mr Cricket dismissed the man thanks to a good catch, behind square on the leg side.

Chris took precisely one more ball to remove the next man, clean bowling him.

Jacques "Jakes" Lombard helped Chris out in his next over, taking a good catch to give Chris his 4<sup>th</sup> wicket of the day. Three balls later Chris got the edge but the catch was put down in the slips. Brett started moving across to take the catch but pulled out as he felt first slip had a better chance. Unfortunately slip thought Brett had it covered and only managed to pop the ball up to which Brett had a grab but could not get there. Sorry Chris, that could have been your 5 fer.

United end their innings on 141/8 after 40overs. Their No1 batsmen was still not out but with his score on only 64. He batted from the start but batted very slowly, bringing up his fifty in the 34<sup>th</sup> over. He was also dropped 4 times. I can and will appreciate a good batting innings but this one was just lucky. We asked him what his lottery number choice would be but he was not saying.

Now is the time for the Super Sixes to show what they are capable of with the bat.

Since JJ is away for the weekend, Chris put up his hand to open as Brett didn't want to change the middle order. The plan was for Chris to stay there and give most of the strike to Brett. Chris did his job perfectly.

United's No1 bowler had some decent pace but his length was a bit suspect. The first ball Brett received was a quick Yorker which Brett had to call for a spade to dig it out. The next 5 balls went for 2,2,4,2,1 and MCC are sitting pretty on 11/0 after 1 over. This bowler was about 3 feet tall but had a mouth on him that would put Mick Jagger to shame.

Brett took another 7 runs off the next over leaving MCC on 18/0 after 2. Only requiring 142 to win at a rate of just over 3.5, the Super Sixes had started well.

The third over saw a change in bowling since Brett was well on top of the first bowler. Introducing some off-spin into the attack. Chris was on strike and played within himself, ensuring survival. A maiden was obtained.

The third over saw Brett klap a length ball from the No2 bowler over square for 6. Brett going down on one knee, middled the ball and held his stance as he watched the ball sail over the boundary for 6. The ball was never seen again. A break of about 15 minutes was taken to find the ball but without luck. United had another new ball and since the first ball was actually only 3.3 overs old, the replacement ball was accepted and the game was back underway. The first ball bowled with the second new ball didn't help United and Brett smacked this one for a boundary. MCC 32/0 in 4 overs.

Brett continued to cause chaos, hitting 16 runs off the leg spinners over until he lost his wicket in the 7 over with the total score 59, scoring 45 runs off 21 balls. Brett admitted later that he was a bit upset for getting out but the bowling was just too gentle to push it around, and to sacrifice his wicket in the pursuit of quick runs to improve our net run rate.

Enter Jakes, who is improving his game with every innings. Jakes and Chris pushed the ball around well, running the quick singles and smashing anything loose to the boundary until Jakes was bowled by a full toss that hit the top of middle. MCC 93/2 after 14.

Brett was back on the field, now umpiring and while the bowler was walking back to his run up, A plastic bag came rolling across the field and across the pitch. It was rather amusing as it looked just like a tumble weed from a bad low budget western movie. The field was also deathly quiet at the time.

Rob Lucas now in to join his usual opening bowler partner. Chris and Rob played out of their shoes taking the score to 133 before Chris spooned a catch to cover. Chris normally bats down the order as we have a large amount of batting ability in this team, so considering that he opened today and batted to the 21<sup>st</sup> over scoring 36 was a great effort. He held the ships wheel and allowed the batsmen to bat around him.

Enter "Inzi" who is fresh from his season personal best. With nothing to gain and everything to lose since MCC only needed 9 to win, Inzi only had to keep his wicket and give Rob the strike. Inzi did just that and Rob smashed a few more runs leaving the Super Sixes on 140/3 after 22 overs.

The 23<sup>rd</sup> over only consisted of two wides and MCC win the game. The bowler told Rob before he started the over that he was going to bowl wides so that Rob could not hit the winning runs.

The Super Sixes had some great support again this weekend. A few wives and girlfriends arrived, thankfully the guys only brought one of them and not their wives AND girlfriends. That would be uncomfortable. 😊

Thanks for Jenna for scoring again and thanks to all the support. I am glad we could give you the victory.

The Super Sixes love playing on the B field as we have conceded 263 runs in two games and scored 266/4 at an average of 6 per over and

Until next week.....

From the Boundary Rope was compiled by Coach Craig  
Thanx for the input of the respective captains.