

**CLASSICS ROUND 1 v ASHFIELD DE LA SALLE OLD BOYS AT RON ROUTLEY OVAL,  
ROTHWELL PARK, CONCORD, ON SUNDAY 7 OCTOBER, 2018**

Game cancelled because of rain

**CLASSICS ROUND 2 v LINDFIELD LARRIKINS AT CAMPERDOWN OVAL,  
CAMPERDOWN ON SUNDAY 21 OCTOBER 2018: REPORT BY PETER ROLLS**

**Catches win matches and so we succeeded.**

With four of the eight Classics matches in this round washed out after a monster storm on Saturday night, we can be grateful to the Council and curator for getting us a game. A big thanks to Greg Brooks and co. for putting down the covers on Thursday night. The wicket had a tinge of green but was hard and true. Conditions overcast and a cool 18°C.

Captain Mick McCormick won the toss and elected to bowl. A decision worthy of a knighthood. Maybe he can ask Harry and Meghan to put a good word in for him when they get back to the Queen.

Stuart Ridge was on target from the first ball and only took 3 balls to penetrate the stumps like a fox through a crack in a hen house. Lindfield one wicket for 0 runs. A second wicket to Ridge in his third over with one that seamed back to again hit the stumps to give him two wickets for 0. Standing military proud as if to say "*I an Invictus*"! His opening partner, Andrew Spedding complementary with also amazing accuracy considering he hadn't bowled a ball since the last game of last season. Spedding had 0-2 off three overs. Lindfield 2 for 2 off six overs and more nervous than a duck in a doona factory.

The third wicket saw the end of a resurgence from Lindfield. Mick bowling Ness who made a quick fire 22 with opener Heffernan who compiled a strong 30\* retired. 3 for 54.

Fourth wicket a sharp catch low down by Garry Winney at first slip off Brooks who also bowled an impeccable line. 4 for 67.

Fifth wicket another superb slips catch, this time by Brooks off Mick McCormick who bowled some awesome nuts. 5 for 76.

Sixth wicket a good catch at cover by Spedding off Winney who bowled with more bamboozling variety than a McDonalds drive through. 6 for 89.

Seventh wicket another slips catch by Brooks off Winney without adding to the score. Rare to see slips catches in Classics let alone three. 7 for 89.

Eight wicket was bowled by Mike Weaver for his first Classics wicket with 3 invasive overs. 8 for 90.

Ninth wicket was another solid catch by Spedding at mid off from Ridge. Then return of danger man Heffernan. 9 for 93.

Tenth wicket followed soon after by an LBW to Winey for their number 11 after a tight over by Ridge made sure Heffernan did not advance his tally the over prior to Winney All out 95.

Tight bowling and catches made a big difference to getting out Lindfield cheaply. Could have been even less if McCormick had have decided to take an overhead catch at mid off instead of trying to wave in an A380 on its decent to Mascot.

Mike Pinter and Michael Weaver got us off to the perfect start with them both reaching 30 at a cracking pace before twenty overs were bowled. Two in the bank at 0 for 80 off 18 overs.

Spedding was keen to press but holed out to mid off for 2. One for 82. McCormick still tingling from an Over 50's tournament two weeks ago and an over 60's tournament in the previous week, hit his first ball for 4 but

holed out to point on his second ball. 2 for 88. Peter Rolls also tried to press hitting a firm cut shot to a shocked point who looked stunned when the ball stuck in his hand. 3 for 88. Glenn Mortell had an unlucky caught behind that went nowhere near his bat. 4 for 89.

A nervous few overs before Brooks and newcomer David Craig steady the ship to get us safely home with 15 overs to spare.

A big thanks to Pinter for being able to play his first Classics game after a stress call from McCormick at 10.30am after a late pull out. Also welcome to Michael Lee and David Craig for their first game for C.C.N.S.W. All three also made a big difference in the field.

A few well-earned beers between the two teams and fun banter after an entertaining day's cricket that we didn't expect to get.

**The Team was (playing 11):** - Mike Weaver 33\*; Mike Pinter 32\*; Peter Rolls 2; Andrew Spedding 3; Mick McCormick (c) 4, Glenn Mortell (w) 0, David Craig 0\*: Greg Brooks 7\*; Garry Winney dnb, Stuart Ridge dnb, and Michael Lee dnb

**The Result was:-**

**Lindfield Larrikins: 10-95 (G. Winney 3-4; S. Ridge 3-9)** (35.5 overs)

**Lost to**

**C.C.N.S.W.: 4-98** (M. Weaver 33\*; M. Pinter 32\*) (24.5 overs)

**By 6 wickets**

**FoW:** - 1- 82 (A. Spedding); 2- 88 (M. McCormick); 3- 88 (P. Rolls); 4- 89 (G. Mortell)

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 8-5-9-3; A. Spedding 6-2-12-0; M. McCormick 7-0-26-2; M. Lee 2-0-20-0; G. Brooks 5-1-13-1, M. Weaver 3-0-7-1, G. Winney 5-2-4-3

**The Fielding was: -**

Stumping; Nil

Catches: G. Brooks 2; A. Spedding 2; G. Winney 1

Run outs: Nil

**Player Points:** - 3 points to M. Weaver; 2 points to S. Ridge; One point to M. Pinter

### **CLASSICS ROUND 3 v PARRAMATTA AT CAMPERDOWN OVAL, CAMPERDOWN ON SUNDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2018: REPORT BY MICK McCORMICK**

The shortfalls of artificial intelligence were again on display at Camperdown Oval as the dressing sheds failed to open yet again on the back of the emu brained system that the Council has implemented. Stumps were the main problem as they were in the equipment room.

After a call to the Council and a text message saying they would "*respond within 10 days*" it was decided to send last year's 'clubmen of the year' in pursuit of another title by venturing to the nearest Rebel store seeking a set of senior stumps. One set of stumps was available at Rebel Broadway.

Mick Weaver took on the task. Murphy's Law then intervened and the rooms opened like Aladdin's cave just as he left. Frustration from both captains and the umpire was put to bed as the game started some 25 minutes late.

C.C.N.S.W. won the toss and elected to bat on a grassy but firm track closest to the RPA fence. Wasanta Hettiarachchi ("Wasa") went early caught and bowled, followed by Mick Pinter LBW. Garry Winney was given

the task of shoring up the order while Mick Weaver was down at Broadway. Garry and Mick McCormick batted patiently, Mick retiring on 33\*. Jim Hadley at the crease looked threatening before lofting one down the throat of the square leg boundary rider.

Mick Weaver after his shopping expedition settled into the pitch playing some fine shots including his sway back pull over mid-on. He retired on 31\*. Glen Mortell was in fine touch timing his drives well until being caught for 16. Russell Biddle's innings saw the trigger raised somewhat quickly instantly enlightening him that getting hit on the pa's in Classics is fraught with danger.

The lower order than set about vying for promotion up the ladder by crafting aggressive quick scoring 30s. Garry James and Stuart Ridge picked the ideal balls to hit and both retired on 30\* bringing the score towards 200, always an excellent Classics score. Michael Lee played the perfect role at 11 scampering between the wickets like a bandicoot as we ended with 6-209..... an excellent score.

Stuart Ridge in stupendous form picked up an LBW in his first over, an occurrence that is almost becoming predictable this season. Jim Hadley opened from the other end and had the ball on a string making it difficult for the batsman to score and mounting sustained pressure resulting in wickets being taken in a regular pattern. Stu picked up 4 for 23 off 9 overs in another outstanding spell perfectly supported by Jim Hadley with 2 for 16 off his 9 overs. Mick McCormick and Garry James sustained the pressure. Only the Parramatta captain managed a 30 and Parramatta adopted a Boycott approach to scoring which did curtail the ability of the bowlers to take the final wickets. Parramatta ending on 8/98. Glen Mortell had a fine day behind the stumps stopping many a stray leg side ball.

An excellent win all round in all aspects and it is hoped that the pressure cricket that is being played by the classics squad can continue in the next top of the table clash with Sri Lanka next Sunday.

Result was C.C.N.S.W. 6-209 defeated Parramatta 8-98.

**The Team was:** - Mike Pinter 7, Wasanta Hettiarachchi 6, Garry Winney 27, Mick McCormick (c) 34\*, Jim Hadley 6, Mike Weaver 31\*, Glenn Mortell (w) 16, Russell Biddle 0, Garry James 31\*, Stuart Ridge 31\*, Michael Lee 9\*

**The Result was:-**

**C.C.N.S.W.: 6-209 (M. McCormick 34\*; M. Weaver 31\*; G. James 31\*. S. Ridge 31\*) (40 overs)**

**Defeated**

**Parramatta: - 8-98 (S. Ridge 4-23) (40 overs)**

**By 111 runs**

**FoW:** - 1-7 (W. Hettiarachchi); 2-19 (M. Pinter); 3-84 (G. Winney); 4-88 (J. Hadley); 5-133 (R. Biddle); 6-140 (G. Mortell)

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 9-3-23-4; J. Hadley 9-4-16-2; M. McCormick 5-1-10-1; G. James 7-0-26-0; M. Lee 4-0-11-1; Wasanta Hettiarachchi 3-1-3-0; M. Weaver 2-1-5-0; G. Winney 1-0-1-0

**The Fielding was: -**

Stumping: - One to G. Mortell

Catches: - Nil

Run outs: - Nil

**Player Points:** - 3 points to S. Ridge; 2 points to M. McCormick; One point to J. Hadley

## CLASSICS ROUND 4 v SRI LANKA LIONS AT GODDARD OVAL, CONCORD ON SUNDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2018: REPORT BY PETER ROLLS

**Batting first on a good wicket in Classics is an advantage.**

A picturesque Goddard Park with lush outfield was the alternative ground for the home side, the Sri Lanka Lions as Monty Bennett was not available. Conditions patchy clouds but a comfortable 21°C.

The Lions won the toss and elected to bat. An even wicket but slow bounce compared to Camperdown.

Welcome to Marc Rees for his first game in Classics who displayed a tidy pair of gloves behind the stumps. Stuart Ridge was pounding in with good line but not much response from the wicket. Lions were patient waiting for overpitch or short pitch. Andrew Spedding was accurate and rewarded with our first wicket in the fourth over, caught at mid-wicket by Mike Pinter. Lions 1 wicket for 13 runs.

Second wicket wasn't until the twentieth over with two Lions already retired for 30. Peter Rolls swallowed a towering hit off Mick McCormick at deep mid-on that went higher than Centre Point. So high it drove him into the ground on impact. Lions 2 for 79 and more swashbuckling than an Errol Flynn movie.

Third wicket lbw danger man Labrooy by Dale Richards who bowled a very invasive spell and could have had more wickets. Wasanta Hettiarachchi ("Wasa") had them guessing with good variety and some balls kicking off a good length. 3 for 86 of 22 overs.

Fourth wicket a freakish overhead caught and bowled by McCormick that could have ended with a collision had Mike Weaver not backed off from McCormick's loud early call. 4 for 120 off 32 overs.

Fifth wicket a sharp run-out by Pinter with the Lions running on anything so they could sacrifice to get their big hitting retirees back in. 5 for 149 off 36 overs.

Sixth wicket another run-out. This time to Richards at cover with a simple throw to Michael Lee at the bowlers end. Lee bowled some unplayable outswingers. Not a good result for us as in came their big hitter that smashed our last 3 overs for 26 runs. 6 for 150 off 37 overs.

We knew a chase of 176 was going to be a big task against a youthful fielding side, a sharp keeper who stands up to the stumps for all bowlers and a big, slow outfield.

Not the start we were looking for with Pinter seeing a spectacular diving catch at first slip taken on the second attempt in the first over. You don't see many catches in slip in Classics, especially like that.

Wasa went in the eighth over holing out to mid-wicket. Craig Somers and Rolls steady the ship with plenty of sharp singles until a superb piece of fielding by Labrooy to cleanly pick up and throw to a freakish keeper who backhanded a wide throw to the stumps that saw Somers short of his ground by only inches.

McCormick and Weaver came and went quickly trying to push the run rate which we were well behind. Rolls also went soon after trying to force the pace.

Spedding and Richards played some fine shots to get us over 100. Ridge solid and made sure we did not lose anymore wickets.

The Lions were too strong on the day but very hospitable after the game with beer and banter that made for enjoyable company. Compassionately, they also found something else entertaining to talk about other than the result.

**The Team was:** - Craig Somers 28, Mike Pinter 0, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 5, Peter Rolls 19, Mick McCormick (c) 6, Mike Weaver 0, Andrew Spedding 15, Dale Richards 17\*, Stuart Ridge 5\*, Michael Lee dnb, Marc Rees (w) dnb

**The Result was:-**

**Sri Lanka Lions: - 6-176** (40 overs)

**Defeated**

**C.C.N.S.W.: - 7-110 (C. Somers 28)** (40 overs)

**By 66 runs**

**FoW:** - 1-1 (M. Pinter); 2-16 (W Hettiarachchi); 3-56 (C. Somers); 4-64 (M. McCormick); 5-68 (M. Weaver); 6-70 (P. Rolls); 7-99 (A. Spedding)

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 9-0-44-0; A. Spedding 5-0-16-1; W. Hettiarachchi 9-1-28-0, M. McCormick 7-0-36-2, D. Richards 6-1-22-1, M. Lee 4-0-28-0

**The Fielding was: -**

Stumping: - Nil

Catches: - one to M. McCormick, one to M. Pinter and one to P. Rolls

Run outs: - One to M. Pinter and one to D. Richards

**Player Points:** - 3 points to C. Somers ; 2 points to M. McCormick ; One point to W. Hettiarachchi

**CLASSICS ROUND 1 (REARRANGED) v ASHFIELD DE LA SALLE OLD BOYS AT RON ROUTLEY OVAL, ROTHWELL PARK, CONCORD, ON SUNDAY 2 DECEMBER 2018: REPORT BY STUART RIDGE**

C.C.N.S.W. won the toss on a hot, windy day and elected to bat.

After a slow start and the early run out of Wasantha Hettiarachchi ("*Wasa*") for 8, Greg Brooks and Craig Somers increased the tempo in a stand of 47 in 10 overs before Brooks (27) was caught in the deep attempting to reach his retirement by smashing it into the car park. Shortly afterwards Craig completed a typically tidy 30.

Mick McCormick (17) and Andrew Spedding (30\*) then took up the running with a brisk partnership of 44 off the next eight overs with Glenn Mortell (17) and Dale Richards (14) keeping things ticking along at 5 an over.

With a couple in the bank this set the platform for a late onslaught, against a tiring fielding side, from Garry James (30\* retired) and Stuart Ridge (26) to complete a strong all round batting effort. C.C.N.S.W. finished with 8-220 from their 40 overs.

Ridge and Spedding took the new ball with increasingly blustery conditions making control difficult. 'Speds' made early inroads with the assistance of Dale Richards taking two sharp catches at point. The first in particular was a great effort by the fielder to parry a stinging cut shot and chase down the rebound to complete the catch.

DLSOB made it to 30 without further loss. Mick McCormick and Dale Richards then joined the attack for an early bowling change in the sapping conditions. Mick broke through straight away knocking back off stump and Dale chipped in with another sharp catch off his own bowling.

Rotating the bowlers, C.C.N.S.W. then turned to spin with *Wasa* and Garry James bowling tidily but not getting much change out of a lifeless track and DLSOB tracking the run rate from the C.C.N.S.W. first innings fairly closely. With the opener and next two batsmen retiring, they had 3 in the bank and 120 required from 16. However, with new batsmen at the crease, the returning Spedding struck twice to halt any momentum.

David Craig took an over or two to hit his line and length, and the skipper had to get his field placings right, but he picked up a wicket bowling the next batsman. He then earned himself a couple more overs by fizzing the next two balls past the outside edge of the returning danger man for DLSOB who didn't look at all comfortable against the leg spinner.

With the Masters playing on the same day, we were missing some of our more mobile fielders and a strong arm from the boundary so we leaked a few more runs than we should have. However, despite having wickets in hand, DLSOB were unable to increase the run rate, finishing with 8-186. Stuart Ridge and Greg Brooks closed things out for what, in the end, looked like a comfortable winning margin but was hard fought in difficult conditions.

A good all round effort across the team with bat and ball, Spedding the standout with an unbeaten 30 and 4 wickets.

**The Team was :** - Craig Somers 30, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 8, Greg Brooks 27, Mick McCormick (c) 17 , Andrew Spedding 31\*, Glenn Mortell (w) 17, Dale Richards 14, Garry James 30\*, Stuart Ridge 26, Marc Rees 2 and David Craig 5\*

**The Result was:-**

**C.C.N.S.W.:** 8-220 (**A. Spedding 31\***; **G. James 30\***; **C. Somers 30**) (40 overs)

**Defeated**

**Ashfield De La Salle Old Boys:** 8-186 (**A. Spedding 4-30**) ( 40 overs)

**By 34 runs**

**FoW:** - 1- 17 (W. Hettiarachchi); 2-64 (G. Brooks); 3-108 (M. McCormick); 4-141 (D. Richards); 5-163 (G. Mortell); 6-206 (M. Rees); 7-216 (C. Somers); 8-216 (S. Ridge)

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 8-1-32-0; A. Spedding 8-0-30-4; M. McCormick 3-0-22-1; D. Richards 3-0-9-1; W. Hettiarachchi 5-0-18-0; G. James 6-0-28-0; D. Craig 6-0-30-1; G. Brooks 2-0-6-1

**The Fielding was: -**

Stumping: - Nil  
Catches: - 3 catches to D. Richards  
Run outs: - Nil

**Player Points:** - 3 points to A. Spedding; 2 points to C. Somers; One point to G. James

## **CLASSICS ROUND 5 v ROSEVILLE LORDS AT ROSEVILLE CHASE OVAL, ROSEVILLE ON SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER 2018: REPORT BY PETER ROLLS**

**A tight tussle that could have gone either way.**

A warm 30°C but with a relieving breeze. A hard pitch and fast outfield.

Roseville Lords won the toss and elected to bat. A bit more bounce and sideways movement compared to Camperdown but the ball came onto the bat hard.

Stuart Ridge struck in his first over with an inside edge onto the stumps.1 wicket for 4 runs after one over. Tough going after that with a sharp chance at first slip put down in the fourth over and the batsman made us pay. Also our keeper Marc Rees strained a quad muscle after the tenth over which restricted his movement but he soldiered on gallantly.

The second wicket wasn't until the 20<sup>th</sup> over with three Roseville Lords players already retired for 30\*. Mike Weaver took a good catch from a flat hit to cover off David Craig. 2 for 111 ... Nelson strikes again!

The third wicket was bowled by Wasantha Hettiarachchi ("*Wasa*"). 3 for 163 from 32 overs.

The fourth wicket was bowled by Andrew Spedding with the Roseville Lords looking for quick runs. 4 for 166 off 33 overs.

The fifth wicket was bowled by Ridge with the Roseville Lords running on anything so they could sacrifice to get their big hitting retirees back in. 5 for 194 off 37 overs.

All the bowlers toiled hard, especially Mick McCormick bowling 9 overs straight in the hottest part of the day and changing colour more times than a Dulux colour card. Cream to pink to red to purple!

We knew a chase of 215 was going to be a big task after the effort put into the field chasing leather. A brisk start by Mike Weaver and Mike Pinter until a direct hit from cover on a quick single exited Weaver. Then Wasa ably assisted Pinter by ticking over the strike and punishing anything short. Pinter reached his 30\* ret in quick time. Peter Rolls came and went to a dubious LBW from a bowler getting big off-cutters and bowling many deliveries down leg side. 2 for 74 off 18 overs.

McCormick charged straight into it with what energy he had left. Wasa retired soon after on 30\* ret. Spedding was run out by a mix up after he stopped mid-wicket for a chat with McCormick after thinking the ball had reached the boundary cones. A freak event (*Editor's note Imitating the Pakistanis number 3 batsman Azhar Ali v Australia on 16 October in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Test match in Abu Dhabi!*). 3 for 106 off 26 overs.

McCormick reaches 30\* ret. Another LBW to the same seaming bowler with Garry Winney the victim. 4 for 158 off 32 overs. Ridge had fired up to keep the run rate up but holed out to mid-on. 5 for 158 off 32 overs. Marc Rees was the 6th wicket down and David Craig soon after to get our retirees back in. 7 for 166 off 35 overs. 50 needed off 5 overs. Wasa became the eighth wicket to fall at 180. Pinter and McCormick tried valiantly but needed 6 off the last ball. With every man except the bowler and the keeper on the fence on a big oval we could only managed a single. A good effort in the end to get so close but well played Roseville who also showed they were good hosts and good sports by lending us a fielder as we were one player down.

**The Team was (playing 10):** - Mike Weaver 15, Mike Pinter 62\*, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 37, Peter Rolls 1, Mick McCormick (c) 35\*, Andrew Spedding 9, Stuart Ridge 29, Garry Winney 6, Marc Rees (w) 1 and David Craig 0

**The Result was:-**

**Roseville Lords: - 5-215 (40 overs)**

**Defeated**

**C.C.N.S.W.: - 8-210 (M. Pinter 62\*; W. Hettiarachchi 37; M. McCormick 35\*) (40 overs)**

**By 5 runs**

**FoW:** - 1- 36 (M. Weaver); 2-74 (P. Rolls); 3-106 (A. Spedding); 4-158 (G. Winney); 5-158 (S. Ridge); 6-159 (M. Rees); 7-166 (D. Craig); 8-180 (W. Hettiarachchi).

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 8-0-36-2, A. Spedding 9-1-41-1, M. Weaver 2-0-19-0, M. McCormick 9-0-40-0, D. Craig 9-1-39-1, W. Hettiarachchi 3-0-7-1

**The Fielding was: -**

Stumping: - Nil  
Catches: - One to M. Weaver  
Run outs: - Nil

**Player Points:** - 3 points to M. Pinter; 2 points to W. Hettiarachchi; One point to M. McCormick

## CLASSICS ROUND 6 v GEORGES RIVER AT CAMPERDOWN OVAL, CAMPERDOWN ON SUNDAY 23 DECEMBER 2018: REPORT BY MICK McCORMICK

### “From the embers of oblivion, the Phoenix rises”

A fortunate observation by local cricket ground enthusiast Mike Pinter resulted in a series of panicky phone calls on Saturday afternoon regarding the absence of covers observed at Camperdown Oval. Luckily the covers were then placed by clubmen of the year, frequent flyers Mick Weaver and Mike Pinter. Equally diligent preparation from John Lee (Master turf technician) allowed the numbers 2 and 3 teams on the table to tussle on the Sunday morning.

Surrounded by an iridescent blue sky with the corpulent doses of sand finally doing their job in creating a grassy weave resembling a Cotswold meadow, the protagonists took to the field. As the Sydney weather had moistened the pitch and surrounds. Mick McCormick on winning the toss decided to bowl first.

Stuart Ridge relished the conditions and honed in on the openers like a drone over Gatwick. The Georges River openers were steadfastly obstinate but like a Brexiteer, failed to understand the consequences of their obstinacy, with the effect that the numbers became more adverse in the slowing environment.

The C.C.N.S.W. medium bowlers kept it under control and then Garry James off spin literally extracted some hand grenades from the pitch not seen since Army reserve training occurred in the open fields around Camperdown in 1914. Balls going over heads from spinners, batsman and wicketkeepers beaten all ends up and umpires unsure what to signal (bouncer, wide, no ball or ridiculous), captains chastising wicketkeepers, wicketkeepers chastising captains. In the Bill Lawry vernacular, *“it was all happening!”*

Things settled down as Peter Rolls tested his fit bit being pursued by the ball on the long on boundary like an internet date with a National party politician. Mike Pinter chased all day resembling a greyhound-rabbit cross. The President, Greg Brookes bowled a superb mid-session spell with some notable Alec Bedser leg cutters. The C.C.N.S.W. fielding became Grinch like in the Christmas effervescence cutting down many valuable runs. *“Dead eye”* Dale Richards direct hit run out halted the momentum of the final batsman.

The batting from the Georges River team was constructive and aggressive but the bowling and fielding kept the scoring within reasonable parameters, certainly gettable, providing wickets were maintained. The lunch saw the ham and turkey dominate a pleasingly well supplied pre-Christmas fare. The plum pudding would come later.

C.C.N.S.W. opened with clubmen of the year frequent flyers Mick Weaver and Mike Pinter. On the third ball of the innings the Punter seemed to be saying *“I SWISH you a Merry Christmas”* as the timber rattled. At the other end Mr Murphy from G River was creating some turbulence and induced a nick from Wasantha Hettiarachchi (*“Wasa”*) with a sharply rising delivery to be caught behind..... Next ball to Mick McCormick a decent off cutter ... an inside edge onto belly, onto bails ....out. Andrew Spedding then saw his stumps implode from the same bowler in the next over 4 for 23.

The scorebook now looked like a web guide to how to ring emergency with triple zeroes neatly transcribed in descending order 000. It did at that point, at least in cricket parlance seem like a medical emergency. The pulse was fading, a grey colouring prevailed and the drug effectiveness (mainly Volantarin) was declining rapidly. The fighting spirit of C.C.N.S.W. had however not been dissuaded. The President, like Napoleon on the verge of the verges cut and swathed a majestic collection of whipped willow, dispatching the leather unit to all the ground's wagon wheel extremities. Weaver at the other end was building his innings with the deft precision of a Swiss watchmaker. The partnership with G. Brooke's saw a foetal Phoenix forming from the embers of oblivion.

Weaver retired on 35\* followed by Greg Brooks reaching his 30. Garry James played some nice late cuts before a miscued drive was swallowed by the safest hands in the opposition. Dale Richard's calf twanged like a cheap banjo after facing his first ball. A runner was dispatched to provide the between the wickets mobility until his discomfort was accentuated as a ball got through his defences. Victory looked as far off as Saturn.

Stuart Ridge then came to the crease with doses of good form under his belt. He started watchfully. Jay Patel, a vital 9.19 am sub on the morning of the game, proceeded to treat the Georges River bowling with disdain. The partnership developed and like green shoots after a bushfire the Phoenix was starting to flap its wings. By



the 30th over the anxious actuaries in the C.C.N.S.W. bunker realized the target was within reach at around 7 an over. Each boundary was greeted with gusto by the swelling crowd as Tom Robertson whipped up a cacophony of commentary from the sidelines.

Jay Patel defied the bookies and with Stuart Ridge putting on the after burners with a 4 and a 6 in his final scoring spree the target of 183 loomed large, a formerly forlorn fantasy at 4 for 23 after 10 overs. Stuart and Jay both retired on 32\* putting an invaluable four players in the bank.

Mick Weaver returned with Peter Rolls and immediately was striking the ball well. But the work still had to be done...every run was cheered, every boundary worshipped. 'Rollsey' went for 3 after picking up some valuable runs with hard running between the wickets. The President recycled but was controversially fired as a ball clipped his pad shooting down the leg side to the keeper...not over yet....

2 overs to go 5 runs to get, but just 2 wickets in hand and their best bowler steaming in. Stuart Ridge returned to the crease... would Jay Patel top off a fairy tale innings and be required to hit the winning runs? Would the opening bowler who rendered havoc earlier snatch the final two wickets? The crowd was alive with expectation. However it was man of the match Weaver, calmer than a Fijian cucumber, who put the finishing touches to the fully formed Phoenix with nine balls to spare.

A phenomenal effort to beat the second placed side from a car crash start. Jay Patel had a grin wider than Bass Strait soaking up his performance. Mick Weaver fully deserved man of the match finishing on 52\* ably supported by Greg Brooks but the partnership between Stuart Ridge and Jay Patel was a "*come from the clouds performance*" unlikely to be witnessed at Camperdown again any time soon. The Tuesday Turkey will taste that much sweeter as did the celebratory beers.



**The Team was (playing 11):** - Michael Weaver (w) 52\*, Mike Pinter 0, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 0, Mick McCormick (c) 0, Andrew Spedding 4, Greg Brooks 34, Garry James 6, Dale Richards 7, Stuart Ridge 32\*, Jay Patel 32\* and Peter Rolls 3

**The Result was:-**

**Georges River: - 5-183 (40 overs)**

**Lost to**

**C.C.N.S.W.: - 8-185 (M. Weaver 52\*; G. Brooks 34, S. Ridge 32\*; J. Patel 32\*) (38.3 overs)**

**By 2 wickets**

**FoW:** - 1- 6 (M. Pinter); 2-13 (M. McCormick); 3-13 (W. Hettiarachchi); 4-23 (A. Spedding); 5-70 (G. James); 6-82 (D. Richards); 7-177 (P. Rolls); 8-180 (G. Brooks).

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 9-1-25-1, A. Spedding 5-0-19-0, M. McCormick 5-0-23-0, D. Richards 4-0-23-0, G. James 9-0-45-2, G. Brooks 6-0-34-1, W. Hettiarachchi 2-0-6-0

**The Fielding was:** -

Stumping: - Nil

Catches: - One to each of P. Rolls and M. Weaver (w)

Run outs: - One to D. Richards

**Player Points:** - 3 points to M. Weaver; 2 points to J. Patel; One point to S. Ridge

## **CLASSICS ROUND 7 v BURWOOD AT CAMPERDOWN OVAL, CAMPERDOWN ON SUNDAY 13 JANUARY 2019: REPORT BY STUART RIDGE**

With Mick McCormick absent, this match marked the return to C.C.N.S.W. captaincy duties for Stuart Ridge after a break of 14 years. Anxious to maintain his unbeaten record from the 94-95 C&S Season, a sleepless night was spent researching the opposition on MyCricket and scheming how to use the array of senior talent on offer.

Burwood Briars won the toss and elected to bat but after a couple of rousing run chases in the previous two rounds, along with the sight of a well grassed Camperdown wicket, the skipper was not too disappointed to get early use of a new Kookaburra. Andrew Spedding opened from the other end and both bowlers found a good length to regularly beat the bat and draw a number of false strokes with no luck. The Burwood opening pair weathered the early movement and started picking off the runs to bring up a solid 50 partnership in the 13<sup>th</sup> over.

President Greg Brooks had strained his back on yet another emergency Friday night covers run to save the Saturday C&S game from an overnight deluge. Doubtful that he could bowl before the game, a miraculous recovery was made after watching the seam action in the early overs from first slip. *"Let's try a couple"* and he was into the groove straight away, bowling one of the Burwood danger men off the inside edge. However, celebrations were cut short and the batsman recalled as the umpire signalled no-ball.

It was beginning to look like it was not our day until we finally got the breakthrough in the 16<sup>th</sup> over. After good piece of fielding off his own bowling with the non-striker sent back, the President coolly beat the stranded batsman to break the stumps and the opening partnership at 56.

Meanwhile, Garry James' flighted off spin was tying things up at the other end and despite the lack of wickets, the run rate remained under control with the bowlers supported well by a good fielding effort. One opener retired and 1-77 at drinks, Burwood's Greg Shamatov, their other main batting threat, looked to break the shackles with a six to the long mid-wicket boundary off Garry. But before he could do any further damage, Mike Weaver, taking up where "Brooksie" had left off, jagged one back to have him plumb in front. A big wicket, 2-95.

Burwood quietly accumulated, putting on another 30, and a bowling change gave us spin from both ends, with Wasantha Hettiarachchi ("Wasa") continuing to keep things tight. At 2-126 inside the last 10 overs, Burwood had the platform to accelerate. Wasa picked up the third wicket and then switched ends to allow Stuart to return with the wind at his back.

Suddenly, a couple of misfields and a dropped catch and we looked like we were starting to let things get away from us. Then Wasa turned things round with the play of the day, a diving, juggling, rolling caught and bowled at the fourth or fifth attempt, before sending the next bat back first ball supported by a more orthodox catch from David Craig.

Stuart, still getting plenty of movement with the old ball, cleaned up two more of the Burwood lower order in the next over. Wasa then closed out one end with another tidy over, including a sharp run out by David Craig to complete a stunning Burwood collapse of 5-5 in just 12 balls. This brought the retired opener back to the crease but the returning Spedding kept him quiet in the last over to contain the Burwood total to 8-164.

Mike Weaver and Mike Pinter kicked off the Cricketers' Club reply. The captain wanted 40-0 off 10 – ticked off without much drama. Next step, two in the bank but both openers forgot the script, each falling for 27 to the change bowlers after comfortably seeing off the opening attack.

Wasa fell to an unfortunate LBW after cracking a couple to the square leg boundary and the President was bowled before hitting his stride to leave us 4-96 after 25 overs. Runs were drying up from one end with an impressive spell from Shamatov who soon picked up Michael Lee with another leg before to leave us 5-101.

Glenn Mortell and Andrew Spedding steadied the ship, watchfully seeing off Shamatov's remaining overs with the required run rate creeping up to 55 from 10 overs. Their patience was rewarded next over with the rusty fifth change bowler starting his spell with a head high full toss followed by a double bouncer which was disdainfully swatted over the mid-wicket fence by Andrew – 8 runs and the over still yet to start! A change of strike and Glenn also tried to cash in hitting the ball straight down a fielder's throat to become the third batsman to fall just short of retirement. Garry James then also failed to clear the field – 7-124, 41 needed from 9 overs.

Stuart Ridge came out on a good run of form from the recent chases, rotating the strike to edge closer to the required total without too much risk. Then seeing a well struck shot from "Speds" pulling up just short of the boundary, he decided to show off his speed between the wickets with an all run four. Sadly he didn't notice that his partner was content with three as he joined him at the same end. 8-142, 23 needed from 5 overs.

Garry Winney showed a cool head working the singles as Andrew approached his 30. Would David Craig be required to come out and hit the winning runs? With 10 needed from 3 overs, Garry punched a short one to the midwicket boundary, with a no-ball and 2 more runs taking a potential Spedding retirement out of the equation. With the field in, Andrew then played out 5 dots before levelling the scores off the last ball of the penultimate over leaving Garry to hit the winning runs through the crowded ring with 5 balls to spare.

Another good win, set up by a strong all round bowling and fielding display, giving away very little throughout and preventing Burwood from capitalising from their wickets in hand in the death overs. The chase was made harder than it should have been with a number of batsmen falling just short of retirement but despite the loss of wickets we again showed our batting depth to bring it home.

*(Editor's Note: Despite bravely turning out, Greg Brooks is in some pain from his chronic bad back and seeing a physiotherapist this week)*

**The Team was:** - Mike Weaver 27, Mike Pinter 27, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 13, Greg Brooks 8, Glenn Mortell (w) 24, Michael Lee 0, Garry James 2, Andrew Spedding 29\*, Stuart Ridge (c) 6, Garry Winney 13\* and David Craig dnb

**The Result was:-**

**Burwood C.C.:** - 8-164 (40 Overs)

**Lost to**

**C.C.N.S.W.:** 8-165 (39.2 overs)

**By 2 wickets**

**FoW:** - 1-56 (M. Weaver); 2-63 (M. Pinter); 3-74 (W. Hettiarachchi); 4-96 (G. Brooks); 5-101 (M. Lee); 6-120 (G. Mortell); 7-124 (G. James); 8-142 (S. Ridge)

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 9-0-27-2; A. Spedding 5-1-24-0; G. Brooks 6-0-23-0; G. James 9-1-26-0; M. Weaver 4-0-12-1; D. Craig 2-0-16-0 ; W. Hettiarachchi 5-1-26-3;

**The Fielding was: -**

Stumping: - Nil

Catches: - two: one each to D. Craig and W. Hettiarachchi

Run outs: - two: one each to G. Brooks and D. Craig

**Player Points:** - 3 points to W. Hettiarachchi; 2 points to A. Spedding; One point to .M. Weaver

**CLASSICS ROUND 8 v MANDALONG LAWYERS AT MANDALONG ON SUNDAY 3  
FEBRUARY 2019: REPORT BY MICK McCORMICK**

**No report was ever submitted**

**The Team was (playing 11):** - Glenn Mortell (w) 30, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 19, Peter Rolls 2, Greg Brooks 10, Mick McCormick (c) 0, Andrew Spedding 0, Dale Richards 1, Stuart Ridge 2, Michael Lee 16, David Craig 2 and Michael Weaver 10

**No report has been provided**

**The Result was:-**

**C.C.N.S.W.:** - 10-100 (G Mortell 30\*) (40 overs)

**Lost to**

**Mandalong Lawyers C.C.:** 1--103 (32 overs)

**By 9 wickets**

**FoW:** - 1- 33 (W. Hettiarachchi); 2-40 (P. Rolls); 3-57 (G. Brooks); 4-58 (M. McCormick); 5-63 (A. Spedding); 6-64 (D. Richards); 7-72 (S. Ridge); 8-80 (D. Craig); 9-99 (M. Lee); 10-100 (M. Weaver).

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 8-5-11-0, A. Spedding 4-1-10-0, D. Richards 5-0-16-1, W. Hettiarachchi 2-0-17-0, G. Brooks 3-0-11-0, D. Craig 3-0-10-0, M. Lee 1-0-14-0

**The Fielding was: -**

Stumping: - Nil

Catches: - Nil

Run outs: - Nil

**Player Points:** - 3 points to G. Mortell; 2 points to S. Ridge; One point to W. Hettiarachchi

**CLASSICS ROUND 9 v MOSMAN AT RAWSON OVAL, MOSMAN ON SUNDAY 17  
FEBRUARY 2019: REPORT BY MICK McCORMICK**

**Second thrilling finish this season and this one by only one run!**

A warm 30°C but with a slight breeze. A hard, crumbling pitch and big, slow outfield. Mick McCormick won the toss and elected to bat. A bit of bounce and sideways movement but ball came onto the bat hard.

2 for 4 after the first over for a shaky start. Glenn Mortell caught behind with new ball moving about. A bit unlucky as the bowler looked to have overstretched the mark and should have been called a no ball. Next and first ball to Greg Brooks was called a no ball then even unluckier next ball to be given out caught behind down the leg side when Greg actually hit the ground not ball.

3 for 12 after 4 overs. Wasantha Hettiarachchi received a ball that stopped on him for an easy catch to short cover. 4 for 53 after 17 overs. A rally by Mike Weaver and McCormick until Mick played over the top of one. Weaver and Peter Rolls consolidated with good running between the wickets. Rolls hitting out and Weaver picking up more singles than a Tinder account. Rolls retired on 30\* with score on 95. Weaver retired next over on 30\*.

5 for 128 after 35 overs. Stuart Ridge holed out to mid-on trying to lift the run rate with Andrew Spedding. Handy runs. David Craig enters the fray. 7 for 132 after 36 overs. Andrew Spedding a handy quick knock also holed out forcing the pace. Jay Patel batting a foot out of his crease is out first ball LBW while Craig watches in disbelief. Patel not happy Jan! (An early morning rescue call from Mick to get him on the park after a pull out at 9am).

8 for 138 after 37 overs. Jon McCormick (Mick's younger brother) luckily believes in brotherly support to be a late call up after a drop-out the night before. Jon hits a smashing four to long-on boundary then unselfishly tried again but was caught and bowled to bring back Rolls.

9 for 138 on last ball of 37<sup>th</sup> over as Craig is bowled from a good length ball cutting back. Weaver back in at the non-strikers end for start of 38<sup>th</sup> over. Rolls and Weaver take 10 runs off the returning opening bowler.

10 for 148 from first ball of 39<sup>th</sup> over. Weaver hits his first "pure" shot of the day and was looking for his first boundary except deep mid-on caught it well at chest height right on the fence. Mosman bowler Elliot ends up with a hat trick (as he had 2 wickets off the last 2 balls of his previous over). A reasonable total it was thought considering a slow outfield and crumbling pitch. But we would need to bowl and field well to restrict 3.7 per over.

Mosman started strongly and 9 overs passed for 27 runs before we broke the cherry with Mick McCormick's second over and a brilliant low down diving catch at mid-off by Ridge. Ridge and Brooks opened the bowling and kept it tight. Brooks bowling 9 overs straight and was "fired up" after his dusty dismissal. His maiden over and many dot balls put immense pressure on Mosman. Brooks unlucky not to snare a wicket after beating the bat repeatedly. Ridge getting the next wicket caught and bowled from his fifth and final over in his first spell. Mosman 2 for 42 off 14 overs, still in control.

Elliot retired at 30\* to be Mosman's one and only retiree. Then the wickets began to tumble and our fielding lifted. Jon McCormick did a spectacular two metre high leap near the fence at mid-wicket boundary to stop a hard hit, one bounce certain four. He knocked more wind out of his lungs than a Gallen/Hopoate fight. This lifted the rest of the fielders; except for Weaver who was playing with hammies tighter than his jock strap. He bled a couple of runs by fumbling the ball, trying to bend over slowly like he was trying to prevent his trousers from splitting. You need that deep tissue massage Weaves!

Spedding and Wasa provided some valuable tight overs to assist the cause. Craig bowled exceptional leggies without any long hops and without any luck. He focused well on his rhythm and length and deserved a couple of wickets. Ridge bowled his last 4 overs for 14 runs and picked up two important wickets to make his tally three.

Enter Patel, the last man picked and last man to bowl. Patel, McCormick and Ridge bowled the last few overs exceptionally well to keep us in the game. One bad over from any of them and it would have been all over. In the dying overs, Mortell took a sharp caught behind off Ridge and even sharper caught behind off Patel from a swift arm ball while up to the stumps.

Mosman needed 15 off the last two overs to win with 4 wickets in hand. McCormick bowled the second last over and cleaned bowled the Mosman captain (on 10 and who looked ready to unleash) on the first ball of his over. 6 runs from McCormick's over with Mosman doing tip and run. 9 required off last over by Patel. Balls went as follows: 1.122 so 3 required off last ball. Last ball hit firmly along the ground to Weaver at short cover who miraculously was able to bend over, grab the ball with both hands and run to the stumps. Redemption! Only one run scored and victory by one run.

All in all a fantastic team effort with the bowlers doing themselves proud to get us a euphoric win against our old nemesis.

**The Team was (playing 11):** - Mike Weaver 31, Glenn Mortell (w) 2, Greg Brooks 0, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 5, Mick McCormick 24, Peter Rolls 38\*, Andrew Spedding 17, Stuart Ridge 5, David Craig 2, Jay Patel 0 and Jon McCormick 6

**The Result was:-**

**C.C.N.S.W.:- 10 - 148 (P. Rolls 36\*; M Weaver 31) (38.1 overs)**

**Defeated**

**Mosman C.C.: 8- 147 (40 overs)**

**By 1 run**

**FoW:** - 1- 3 (G. Mortell); 2-4 (G. Brooks); 3-12 (W. Hettiarachchi); 4-53 (M. McCormick); 5-127 (S. Ridge); 6-130 (A. Spedding); 7-131 (J. Patel); 8-138 (J. McCormick); 9-138 (D. Craig); 10-148 (M. Weaver).

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 9-0-29-3; G. Brooks 9-1-22-0; M. McCormick 6-0-16--3; D. Craig 4-0-16-0, A. Spedding 3-0-15-0; W. Hettiarachchi 3-0-10-0; J. Patel 6-0-28-2

**The Fielding was: -**

Stumping: - Nil

Catches: - 2 to G. Mortell (w) and 2 to S. Ridge

Run outs: - Nil

**Player Points:** - 3 points to S. Ridge; 2 points to J. Patel; One point to M. McCormick

## **CLASSICS ROUND 10 v WESTERN SUBURBS ON SUNDAY 3 MARCH 2019: REPORT BY STUART RIDGE**

Mick McCormick won the toss on another green Camperdown strip. With a team short on batsmen but loaded with eleven bowlers and aware of the previous day's carnage in the C&S game, he had no hesitation in inviting the visitors to bat.

There were no complaints from the opening bowlers, Stuart Ridge accompanied by Mick Knox, making his first appearance of the season. They soon had the Cavaliers openers playing and missing and it wasn't long before one was bowled through the gate by a Ridge inswinger. In his next over Stuart dropped a sharp caught and bowled chance off the other opener before trapping him lbw with a slower ball next delivery. Mick Knox was looking equally dangerous at the other end with no luck but the pressure led to a poor call and the new batsman left stranded by a superb direct hit from Dale Richards at mid-on.

The Cavaliers batting couldn't have been less cavalier, now in survival mode and seeing out 5 consecutive maidens.

Change bowlers Dale Richards and Mick McCormick continued to keep things tight but the next pair rode their luck. In particular the number 3 edged and chipped an extraordinary number of shots agonisingly between, over and short of an expectant ring field, somehow surviving to drinks at 3-35.

The skipper then turned to Garry James and Andrew Spedding who ended the charmed life of the number 3 by nipping a ball back into his abdominal protection for him to be adjudged LBW. The next bat came out with a bit more intent but after a couple of mishits attempted one big shot too many to be bowled in "Speds" next over.

Garry James' flight and bounce had the batsmen and novice wicket keeper Garry Winney guessing with one of the highlights of the day the look of joy and surprise on the wicket keeper's face as he threw out his left hand for a clean leg side take with everything else going the wrong way.

The mainstay of the Cavaliers, innings having batted 20 overs for his first 15 runs emerged from his slumber to hit a couple of shots over the short boundary to quickly bring up his retirement.

With spin from both ends, the catches finally started going to hand. Two wickets apiece to Garry James and David Craig saw the Cavaliers collapse to 9-85 with an early tea break on the cards.

The retiree returned for a stubborn last wicket partnership of 34 helped by some generous fielding as a succession of catches were now grassed. This included three in 6 balls from Stuart and a second off his own bowling before he wrapped up the innings in the last over.

The final Cavaliers total of 119 was a lot more than they had looked like getting all afternoon and certainly gave their bowlers something to work with on a difficult wicket with a weakened C.C.N.S.W. batting line up.

However, Mike Weaver and Dale Richards got us off to a perfect start with a run a ball opening partnership of 29 before Mike was trapped LBW for 13.

Dale with some nice cuts through the offside field and Wasantha Hettiarachchi (Wasa) then added another 25 picking off the runs against a steady Cavaliers attack before Dale was trapped in front for 14 at 2-56 in the 14th over. Mick McCormick then joined Wasa with Mick watchfully picking off the singles before starting to spread the field and Wasa playing straight but quick on to the pull for a couple of rare boundaries.

With the target in sight, the 100 was raised in the 26th over. Wasa retired with a tidy 30\* and Mick was bowled for 29 to bring two fresh batsmen, Garry James and Andrew Spedding to the crease. Both fell cheaply, Garry caught and Andrew stumped trying to force the pace.

Needing 12 from 12 overs, Stuart and Garry Winney took no further risks and blocked and nudged the remaining runs to get us over the line for a comfortable win.

Cavaliers did well to set a target after a torrid start and although C.C.N.S.W. had the better of the batting conditions, the Cavaliers' bowling was still difficult to get away. However, a good start and contributions from the top four got us close enough to avoid any late dramas.

**The Team was (playing 11):** - Mike Weaver 13, Dale Richards 14, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 30\*, Mick McCormick (c) 29, Andrew Spedding 2, Garry James 4, Stuart Ridge 8\*, Garry Winney (w) 5\*, Jay Patel dnb, David Craig dnb, Michael Knox dnb

**The Result was:-**

**Western Suburbs Cavaliers: - 10 -119 (S. Ridge 3-14) (39.5 overs)**

**Lost to**

**C.C.N.S.W.: - 5-120 (W. Hettiarachchi 30\*) (33.2 overs)**

**By 5 wickets**

**FoW:** - 1- 29 (M. Weaver); 2-56 (D. Richards); 3-102 (M. McCormick); 4-107( G. James), 5-110 (A. Spedding)

**The Bowling was:** - S. Ridge 7.5-4-14-3; M. Knox 8-2-18-0; M. McCormick 4-1-14-0; D. Richards 4-2-9-0; G. James 7-1-13-2; A. Spedding 3-1-8-2; D. Craig 4-0-30-2; W. Hettiarachchi 2-0-7-0

**The Fielding was: -**

Stumping: - Nil

Catches: - 2 to M. McCormick; one each to W. Hettiarachchi and G. James

Run outs: - One to D. Richards

**Player Points:** - 3 points to S. Ridge; 2 points to W. Hettiarachchi; One point to M. McCormick .

**CLASSICS ROUND 11 v LANE COVE CAVALIERS AT CAMPERDOWN OVAL,  
CAMPERDOWN ON SUNDAY 17 MARCH 2019:**

Game cancelled by rain

**Sydney Masters Cricket Association - Sydney Classics Over 50s  
LEAGUE TABLE 2018-2019 SEASON**

No.	TEAM	P	W	D	L	WKTS LOST	RUNS FOR	WKTS TKN	RUNS AGST	PTS
1	Sri Lanka Lions	11	9	2	0	35	990	64	786	388.50
2	Warringah	11	8	2	1	68	1690	84	1360	370.50
3	Georges River	11	6	2	3	62	1445	82	1083	314.25
4	Lane Cove	11	7	1	3	59	1342	81	1207	312.10
5	<b>Cricketers' Club of New South Wales</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>1565</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>1486</b>	<b>310.25</b>
6	Mandalong Lawyers	11	6	2	3	50	1002	79	1066	298.10
7	Mosman	11	6	1	4	72	1445	81	1321	297.75
8	Burwood Briars	11	4	2	5	73	1400	60	1415	250.00
9	Pennant Hills	11	4	1	6	74	1187	77	1397	241.35
10	Western Suburbs Cavaliers	11	4	2	5	70	1387	50	1395	241.35
11	Lindfield	11	4	1	6	75	1152	72	1216	237.60
12	Roseville	11	4	2	5	57	1115	66	1153	225.75
13	Parramatta Golden Oldies	11	3	1	7	79	1177	58	1525	198.85
14	De La Salle College (Ashfield) Old Boys	11	1	1	8	83	1108	44	1426	159.40
15	Ku-ring-gai	11	0	0	9	74	1092	61	1198	155.60
16	Kenthurst Upper Hills	11	2	2	7	71	905	48	978	153.25