

TWO BLUE TRIBUNE



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Navy through to another grand final by Warwick Hadfield

The Newtown and Chilwell Cricket Club's First XI is through to the Barwon Women's C Grade grand final for the second year in a row after six run win over Wallington in the semi-final.

Navy batted first and were off to a flyer, Lauren Marino (36) and Bianca Duff rattling up 62 for the first wicket.

Without her opening partner, Bianca Duff continued to score runs, and was the prime mover with an unbeaten, run a ball 44, in the Two Blues reaching 9-128 from their 20 overs.



Bianca Duff smashes one behind square.

For the early part of Wallington's reply, that didn't look enough with the openers bullying their way to 75 before Alison Wedding got the first of her two wickets and Florianne Twaddle held the mark of the year.

"It was smoking," said coach Phil Twaddle. "She took it high over her head and it really turned the game."

Certainly the tone of the match changed, Lauren Marino pulling off a vital run-out, the run rate getting higher, more wickets falling.



Lauren Marino throws down the stumps

"After they got away to a good start, we knew we had to hang tight and hope for the wickets, and that's what happened," said Phil Twaddle.

Such that by the final over, Wallington needed 10 to win.

As per the game plan, Susan Meaney strode meaningfully to the top of her mark for that last over.

After getting a duck when the Two Blues batted, the talents and combative nature that made her an Australian representative in netball was always going to surface somewhere else in the game.

There was a no ball, two singles, and a lot of precious dots, then the last ball run out, followed by the celebrations, and another grand final, the chance to go one better than last year.



Susan Meaney bowls the last ball ensuring the Navy is thru to the grand final.

The grand final opponents will be Bell Park after the Dragons bowled out the minor premier, Queenscliff, for 41 after scoring 4-103. The match will be played at Victoria Park, Bannockburn on Sunday at 1:30pm.

The Second XI set the powerful North Geelong side a target of 93 to win after Bec Wright had scored 30 in their semi-final at Osborne Park.

The target was reached in the 15th over, eliminating Cambridge, but their injured skipper Jules Holt was proud of the team after another great season.

"North are a very strong team, the first time we played them, we were all out for 21, the next time, we got 71 and then today, we got 92, our batters did so well today," she said.

"I am just so proud of what we did today, and what we did over the whole season to make the semi-finals."

TRAINING FOR THE FIRST XI IS ON SHAW OVAL ON THURSDAY.

Meanwhile the Men's First XI continues its charge to the finals with a hard fought win led by Ronnie McKenna...see page 2 for Saturday's match reports...

Ronnie McKenna ton keeps Two Blues Ones in final contention

Words by Warwick Hadfield pics from Wes Cusworth

"If I get half, you can get the other half." - Bill Lawry.

Applying to a run chase for the second game in a row the William Morris Lawry theorem, Ronnie McKenna's deliberate 106 piloted the Two Blues GCA Men's **First XI** to a crucial win over Lara on KFC Oval.

In fact, Ronnie got more than half of the runs - 106 in pursuit of Lara's 195 - with the necessary handy contributions coming from an equally patient Nick Burke, a careful Chay Deary and then the pyrotechnics to secure, then celebrate the win from Dylan Hodge.



Ronnie McKenna drives majestically.

Needing to rebuild after being reduced to 4-17 early on day two, Nick Burke (24) did the Rembrandt thing, his night watch extending to 132 balls, by which time he and Ronnie had taken the score to 5-91.



Teamates celebrate Ronnie's second ton of the season

Stoic batting from Noah Guida and Chay in support of an increasingly expansive Ronnie took things to 8-179 before the century-maker's departure - game again in balance as the best GCA Men's First XI number 10 in a long time decided to put the matter beyond doubt.

Hodgey, who hits the ball through mid-wicket as hard as anyone, went full Tim David, scoring 46 from 19 balls with four sixes.

On the balcony there was broad-grinned discussion about how many of Dylan's fours were snicks, educated edges, or deliberate shots adjacent to the slips cordon.

"At least they were all along the ground," a wry sage noted.

The same sage was also reminded that the week before, Paddy McKenna had done most to subdue the always bellicose Lara batting, taking 4-21 from just over a dozen overs.



Dylan Hodge sends one down

So, holding the abacus upside down and giving it a real good shake, the Two Blues, who have blossomed as a two-day cricket team, can still make the finals, so long as they first beat Highton in the final home and away round, then sit on the benighted PlayHQ watching other scores.

Finals however, is beyond the **Second XI** after losing to Lara in a tight one, NCCC's 216 passed eight wickets down.

Sam Taylor with four-for and Archie Fleet with two-for late in the day were the best of the bowlers while Jarad Battenally and Lachlan Norton got half-centuries on day one.

In the **Third XI**, Father Time went wandering back into an era some thought long gone as Rod Kiddle reminded all and sundries of why he is regarded as one of the best cricketers ever to grace the GCA, on turf, and now on the hard stuff.

His towering 131 allowed the Thirds to draw the game after during day one Lara, replete with their own ageless player, scored 9(dec)-327. Rocket brought up his 5000th club run at career average 40.2 and his sixth century made in 167 matches.

The Thirds sit in second place.

The **Fourth XI** swept aside Lara out there, Jordan White taking four-for on day one, then another member of the ageless brigade, Mark Ainsworth scoring 74 not out as 137 was chased down with five wickets in hand.

The **Fifth XI** had another impressive win over an East Belmont outfit replete with some of that club's most famous names.

There was, happily, a famous name playing for the Two Blues, Life Member G. Whiteside, who had a day out in front of and behind the stumps.

Grant scored an unbeaten half century, featured in two runouts, and two stumpings, one of those off Rohan Wardle, who had a Michelle.

Included in Rohan's 5-44, and causing a grin or two around the place, the two prized EB scalps.

Going into the final fortnight of the home and away bit, three club championships teams are in finals contention, while the Fifts are on top of the ladder with two rounds to go.

The rest is self-evident.

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Two Blue scoreboard 2023/24 round 13



FIRST XI defeated Lara on KFC Oval

Umpires: Greg Illingworth & Steve Keating Scorers: Mark Turnley & Werner Weigl

Dylan Hodge won the toss and sent Lara in.



McKenna ton boosts Two Blues by Wes Cusworth & Dan Batten of the Geelong Advertiser.

Day 1... A Daniel Weigl double has ensured Lara's contest with Newtown and Chilwell is evenly poised following the completion of the first day's play at KFC Oval.

A critical 96-run fourth-wicket partnership between Rob Sodomaco (74) and Weigl (47) was the cornerstone to Lara's competitive, albeit under-par, 195 against the Two Blues.

Sitting six points outside the top bracket and needing to win to maintain their tenuous finals hope, the Two Blues were buoyant early as the bottom-of-the-table-placed Cats slipped to 3-63 in the face of the home side's nagging line and length bowling.

The experienced pair of Sodomaco and Weigl then proceeded to steady the ship through a union lasting 25 overs that comprised attractive stroke-play coupled with

judicious work between the wickets.

Sadly for Lara, the loss of Sodomaco precipitated a procession of wickets as Pat McKenna's 4-21, coupled with a pair of costly run outs, saw it lose its last seven wickets for just 36 runs.

However, the hosts' optimism was short-lived as Weigl (2-13) took the new ball and struck twice in the shadows of stumps to have them 2-14 and requiring a further 182 to keep their season alive.

Day 2... An important century from young gun Ronnie McKenna has kept Newtown & Chillwell's finals hopes alive, with the Two Blues securing a two-wicket win in a finals-shaping weekend of GCA1 first grade action.

McKenna came to the crease with the Two Blues in serious

strife at 4-17 chasing 196 and with wickets falling around him, the number six batter managed to hold his nerve.

The youngster hit 10 boundaries in his measured knock of 106 off 201 deliveries and was the Two Blues' eighth wicket to fall needing another 16 to win.

Captain Dylan Hodge, who came in at number ten after two night watchmen were sent in the previous week, hit the winning runs and teed off at the end, blasting 46 from just 19 deliveries with four sixes.

Lara quick Daniel Blatherwick was sensational again claiming 5-74, putting him five wickets clear at the top of the GCA1 first grade bowling leaderboard.

Hodge praised McKenna's resolve and played down his own cameo as Newtown & Chilwell moved to fifth on the ladder.

"We had a few other guys that struggled and kept losing consistent wickets but he was our rock. He simplified everything, he hit everything along the ground the whole innings, he didn't take any risks," Hodge said.

"He was just locked in all the time so it is probably the most mature knock I've seen him make for the last couple of years. He carried us it is fair to say.

"It was good to hit the winning runs at the end and then I probably cashed in on some stuff towards the end when the game was done that probably made the scorecard look more flattering than it was. But it was good to spend some time in the middle, a couple of our bats hadn't had a bat since December."

MOMENTUM
FINANCIAL GROUP

Lara 195

		Runs	BF	4s	6s	SR
Jhiah Baxter	c: D Hodge b: J Lewis	13	31	3	0	41.93
Kaden Marum	c: P McKenna b: D Hodge	17	49	2	0	34.69
Jordyn Nolan	b: N Burke	13	59	2	0	22.03
Robert Sodomaco	c: N Burke b: P McKenna	74	131	10	1	56.48
Daniel Weigl (c)	run out: A Bain	47	90	4	0	52.22
Daniel Blatherwick	lbw: P McKenna	17	59	1	0	28.81
Jack Borchard	b: P McKenna	1	5	0	0	20.00
Lucas Paatsch	c: N Burke b: S Allen	4	22	0	0	18.18
Daniel Hughes	run out: T Windus, P McKenna	0	0	0	0	0
Robert Pehar	b: P McKenna	5	26	0	0	19.23
Jaymee Guy	not out	0	6	0	0	0.00
Extras	2WD, 0NB, 2LB, 0B, 0P	4				
Total	(79.4 overs)	195				

Fall of wickets: 1-25 Jhiah Baxter, 2-31 Kaden Marum, 3-63 Jordyn Nolan, 4-159 Robert Sodomaco, 5-193 Daniel Weigl, 6-181 Jack Borchard, 7-188 Lucas Paatsch, 9-194 Daniel Blatherwick, 10-195 Robert Pehar.

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WDNB
Archie Bain	10	2	28	0	2.80	0 0
Jorden Lewis	17	10	29	1	1.70	0 0
Dylan Hodge (c)	13	5	29	1	2.23	0 0
Nick Burke	7	3	17	1	2.42	1 0
Sam Allen	11	0	32	1	2.90	0 0
Noah Guida	9	0	37	0	4.11	1 0
Patrick McKenna	12.4	4	21	4	1.65	0 0

Newtown & Chilwell 8/236

		Runs	BF	4s	6s	SR
Samuel Mitchell	lbw: D Weigl	1	13	0	0	7.69
Tyson Windus	b: D Weigl	0	1	0	0	0
Nick Burke	c: ? b: R Pehar	24	132	0	0	18.18
Jorden Lewis	b: D Blatherwick	12	12	2	0	100.00
Patrick McKenna	c: ? b: D Blatherwick	0	7	0	0	0
Ronnie McKenna	c: ? b: D Blatherwick	106	201	10	0	52.73
Noah Guida	b: D Blatherwick	5	33	0	0	15.15
Chay Deary	c&b: D Blatherwick	21	35	3	0	60.00
Archie Bain	not out	10	16	2	0	62.50
Dylan Hodge (c)	not out	46	19	3	4	242.10
Sam Allen	dnb					
Extras	2WD, 7NB, 2LB, 0B, 0P	11				
Total	(77 overs)	8/236				

Fall of Wickets: 1-0 Tyson Windus, 2-2 Samuel Mitchell, 3-17 Jorden Lewis, 4-17 Patrick McKenna, 5-91 Nick Burke, 6-120 Noah Guida, 7-178 Chay Deary, 8-179 Ronnie McKenna.

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WDNB
Daniel Blatherwick	25	6	74	5	2.96	2 3
Daniel Weigl (c)	16	4	46	2	2.87	0 2
Daniel Hughes	7	3	19	0	2.71	0 2
Jaymee Guy	12	1	36	0	3.00	0 0
Robert Pehar	12	2	26	1	2.16	0 0
Kaden Marum	4	0	25	0	6.25	0 0
Lucas Paatsch	1	0	8	0	8.00	0 0

SECOND XI

lost to Lara
on Bisinella Oval

Newtown & Chilwell 216

Jordan Tegelhuter	b: M Heyward	30
Darren Fleet	c: ?b: B Ash	2
Jarad Battenally	c: ?b: C Walsh	50
Tom Kiddle	lbw: G Blatherwick	4
Lachlan Norton	c: ?b: M Richmond	56
Sam Meaney	c: ?b: G Blatherwick	4
Jack Royce	c: ?b: M Richmond	20
Joshua Norman	b: C Walsh	13
Bailey Young	c: ?b: B Ash	10
Sam Taylor	c: ?b: C Walsh	4
Arch Fleet	not out	5
Extras	2WD, 5NB, 3LB, 8B, 0P	18
Total	(50.1 overs)	216

Fall of Wickets: 1-14 Darren Fleet,
2-39 Jordan Tegelhuter, 3-74 Tom Kiddle,
4-126 Jarad Battenally, 5-154 Sam Meaney,
6-171 Lachlan Norton, 7-196 Jack Royce,
8-196 Joshua Norman, 9-201 Sam Taylor,
10-216 Bailey Young.

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Brad Scown	7	-	49	0	7.00	-	-
George Blatherwick	10	-	34	2	3.40	-	-
Matthew Richmond	11	-	38	2	3.45	-	-
Blake Ash	6.1	-	19	2	3.08	-	-
Mitchell Heyward	8	-	44	1	5.50	-	-
Charlie Walsh	8	3	21	3	2.62	-	-

Lara 8/220

Varinder Singh Cheema	b: S Taylor	0
Jai Ash	c: J Tegelhuter b: S Taylor	25
Allen Smart	b: S Taylor	0
Timothy Bailey	b: S Meaney	15
George Blatherwick	c: S Meaney b: S Taylor	9
Brad Scown	lbw: J Norman	48
Jason Hewitt	not out	62
Blake Ash	c: J Royce b: A Fleet	18
Rhys Bath	c: J Battenally b: A Fleet	4
Matthew Richmond	not out	26
Extras	1WD, 8NB, 3LB, 1B, 0P	13
Total	(90 overs)	8/220

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Sam Taylor	22	5	5	14	2.31	-	4
Joshua Norman	20	9	40	1	2.00	1	2
Arch Fleet	20	4	37	2	1.85	-	2
Sam Meaney	10	3	1	71	1.70	-	-
Lachlan Norton	11	2	46	0	4.18	-	-
Jack Royce	3	1	15	0	5.00	-	-
Bailey Young	4	1	10	0	2.50	-	-

THIRD XI

drew with Lara
on Shaw Oval

Lara 9d/327

David Roach	c: A Kalz b: J Harmon	123
Joe Garipoli	c: M Scott b: Z Stokes	55
Patrick Dearnaley	c: A Knott b: Z Stokes	12
Flynn Higgins	c: M Scott b: J Harmon	13
Inam Ullah	c: M Chapman b: L Povey	5
Nate Scown	b: L Povey	0
Rahul Prashar	c: A Grace b: B Twaddle	7
Dallas Grech	c: A Knott b: L Povey	4
Jack Goodwin	not out	37
Drew Kinsella	b: B Twaddle	10
Extras	5WD, 3NB, 14LB, 35B, 0P	57
Total	(75 overs)	9d/327

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Lewis Povey	20	2	89	3	4.45	-	-
Adam Kalz	13	-	56	0	4.30	-	-
Brendan Twaddle	16	1	50	2	3.12	-	-
Zac Stokes	10	1	37	2	3.70	-	-
Aidan Grace	7	-	23	0	3.28	-	-
Jacob Harmon	9	2	22	2	2.44	-	-

Newtown & Chilwell 6/290

		Runs	4s	6s
Rodney Kiddle	c: ? b: D Roach	131	16	3
Brendan Twaddle	c: I Ullah	47	5	1
Jacob Harmon	run out	69	2	1
Hunter Norman	run out	5	-	-
Matthew Scott	not out	0	-	-
Zac Stokes	run out	3	-	-
Lewis Povey	run out	1	-	-
Mike Chapman	not out	0	-	-
Andrew Knott	dnb	-	-	-
Adam Kalz	dnb	-	-	-
Aidan Grace	dnb	-	-	-
Extras	9WD, 8NB, 5LB, 5B, 0P	27	-	-
Total	(62 overs)	6/290	-	-

Fall of Wickets: 1-83 Brendan Twaddle,
2-252 Rodney Kiddle, 3-269 Hunter Norman,
4-278 Jacob Harmon, 5-281 Zac Stokes,
6-286 Lewis Povey.

FOURTH XI

defeated Lara
at Lara #2

Lara 137

Alan Guy	b: T Agar	2
Tony Longley	c: A Sadowy b: M Patel	24
Chris Runia	c: L West b: J White	26
Luke Milinkovic	c: M Patel b: J White	16
Bryan Candy	c: M Patel b: J White	1
Zachery Johnson	b: J White	2
Joel Weber	c: J White b: B Williams	12
Harry Goodwin	b: L West	7
Jakob Milinkovic	not out	2
Mitchell Caldwell	c: A Sadowy b: L West	0
Extras	4WD, 9NB, 2LB, 0B, 0P	15
Total	(64.4 overs)	137

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Jack Gordon	17	6	26	0	1.52	0	0
Tom Agar	8	2	14	1	1.75	1	0
Jordan White	17	3	47	4	2.76	2	3
Mihir Patel	14	2	35	2	2.50	0	1
Levi West	2.4	1	7	2	2.62	0	1
Barnaby Williams	6	2	6	1	1.00	0	4

Newtown & Chilwell 5/138

Andrew Sadowy	c: T Longley b: M Caldwell	5
Mihir Patel	lbw: T Longley	20
Mark Ainsworth	not out	74
Madden Sadowy	c: C Runia b: L Milinkovic	22
Angus Duff	c: C Runia b: T Longley	6
Barnaby Williams	b: L Milinkovic	0
Jordan White	dnb	-
Tom Levick	dnb	-
Levi West	dnb	-
Tom Agar	dnb	-
Jack Gordon	dnb	-
Extras	2WD, 1NB, 7LB, 1B, 0P	11
Total	(58.2 overs)	5/138

Fall of Wickets: 1-12 Andrew Sadowy,
2-57 Mihir Patel, 3-116 Madden Sadowy,
4-137 Angus Duff, 5-138 Barnaby Williams.



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Two Blues Lotto luncheon at the Diggers

by Graeme Chisholm

With apologies from members that ranged from living overseas and interstate to holidays, conferences, medical conditions, family bereavements, baby sitting, fishing trips and of all things attending the Shelford Duck Races, we had a turn up of 24 members.

The winners of the major prizes were:

\$500 - #34 Andrew O'Brien

#29 Craig Hosking

\$100 - #41 Mark Sanders,

#2 Cath Bentley,

#31 Don Barton,

#33 Dan O'Leary, #13 Max Ellis.

Hospitality was extended until 3.30p.m. Attendees then retired to the public bar to enjoy the hospitality available there.

Another successful season completed.

There will be some falling out next season- if you want to be a part of next year's action let me know.



Geelong Cricket Association
18th - 19th

Congratulations to every one involved in a highly successful Melbourne Country Week campaign, bringing home the spoils with today's defeat of Ferntree Gully CA. Once again a team bowling performance ensured our rivals were never really able to gain momentum with the bat as Dan Blatherwick (2-38), Sam Ellis (2-30), Josh Lacey (2-46) and Sam Coutts (1-42) contributed to a steady flow of wickets. Bailey Sykes was quite extraordinary once again with his three maidens pivotal to returning the game's best figures of 2-16 from 10 overs. Set 175 for victory, we lost Sam Hall for 12 before Rob Smith and Greg Willows (45) carried the innings beyond 50.

FIFTH XI round 15 lost to Grovedale at Grovedale Reserve

Newtown & Chilwell 8cc/130

Craig Green	retired not out	52
Adam O'Connor	b: S Patterson	5
Banjo Savage	c: J Cobb b: S Patterson	8
Matt Suvoltos (c)	c: C Brown b: J Cobb	19
Jack Hastie	c: A French b: J Cobb	0
Grant Whiteside	c: J Ross b: S Donohue	23
Anthony Lean	c: J Cobb b: Z Pearce	7
Rohan Wardle	b: J Ross	7
Rex Suvoltos	c: ? b: S Donohue	1
Steven Abram	not out	3
Henry Meaney	dnb	
Extras	1WD, 2NB, 1LB, 1B, 0P	5
Total	(40 overs)	8cc/130

Fall of Wickets: 1-21 Adam O'Connor, 2-47 Banjo Savage, 3-85 Jack Hastie, 4-91 Matt Suvoltos, 5-112 Anthony Lean, 6-120 Grant Whiteside, 7-124 Rex Suvoltos, 8-130 Rohan Wardle.

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Simon Patterson	8	2	21	2	2.62	1	-
Andrew French	8	-	28	0	3.50	-	1
Jake Cobb	8	1	24	2	3.00	-	-
Jake Ross	6	-	31	1	5.16	-	-
Scott Donohue	7	3	9	2	1.28	-	-
Zac Pearce	3	1	15	1	5.00	-	1

Grovedale 5/133

Jake Cobb	c: G Whiteside b: J Hastie	7
Scott Donohue	c: A Lean b: J Hastie	24
Cameron Brown	c: J Hastie b: R Suvoltos	41
Jason Hornibrook	c: J Hastie b: S Abram	13
Simon Patterson	c: J Hastie b: R Suvoltos	27
Zac Pearce	not out	2
Simon Pearce	not out	4
Extras	8WD, 3NB, 2LB, 2B, 0P	15
Total	(28.3 overs)	5/153

Fall of Wickets: 1-31 Scott Donohue, 2-40 Jake Cobb, 3-57 Jason Hornibrook, 4-126 Simon Patterson, 5-127 Cameron Brown

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Rex Suvoltos	8	3	33	2	4.12	1	-
Jack Hastie	5.3	-	30	2	5.45	7	-
Steven Abram	5	1	20	1	4.00	-	3
Anthony Lean	4	1	15	0	3.75	-	-
Banjo Savage	1	-	2	0	2.00	-	-
Henry Meaney	4	-	11	0	2.75	-	-
Craig Green	1	-	18	0	18.00	-	-

Robin fell for a quickfire 24 before Greg and Nick Butters saw us to just shy of three figures, with the loss of Greg's wicket at 98. Nick stroked a nice 44, although with him falling just short of the target it was left to Phil Visser (31*) and Ronnie McKenna (14*) to see the champs home with six wickets and 20.3 overs spare. Congratulations to Brad Hauenstein on his leadership of this crack outfit!

(🏏 North Geelong Cricket Club)



FIFTH XI round 16 defeated East Belmont at Eastern Park #3

Newtown & Chilwell 5cc/216

Adam Patching (c)	b: J Cooper	4
Adam O'Connor	lbw: J Timberlake	44
Banjo Savage	c: C Totton b: A Fairlie	1
Grant Whiteside	retired not out	54
Charlie Suvoltos	c: J Cooper b: B Montgomery	32
Rohan Wardle	c: C Totton b: A Fairlie	40
Jack Hastie	not out	29
Rex Suvoltos	dnb	
Steven Abram	dnb	
Grant Meaney	dnb	
Henry Meaney	dnb	
Extras	2WD, 4NB, 6LB, 0B, 0P	12
Total	(40 overs)	5cc/216

Fall of Wickets: 1-4 Adam Patching, 2-23 Banjo Savage, 3-53 Adam O'Connor, 4-125 Charlie Suvoltos, 5-216 Rohan Wardle.

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Joel Cooper (c)	6	-	46	1	7.66	-	-
Angus Fairlie	7	1	14	2	2.00	-	-
James Timberlake	7	1	24	1	3.42	-	-
Blake Montgomery	6	-	37	1	6.16	-	-
Stephen Harper	7	-	45	0	6.42	-	-
Abu Sayeed Md Nasif	3	-	20	0	6.66	-	-
Byron Hunt	4	-	24	1	6.00	-	-

East Belmont 198

Abu Sayeed Md Nasif	st: G Whiteside b: G Meaney	23
Alistair McKenzie	c: A O'Connor b: R Wardle	45
Christopher Totton	st: G Whiteside b: R Wardle	33
James Timberlake	c: S Abram b: R Wardle	20
Alan McSparron	c: B Savage b: R Wardle	4
Byron Hunt	c: C Suvoltos b: R Wardle	1
Harrison Glover	b: H Meaney	11
Stephen Harper	not out	24
Joel Cooper (c)	b: H Meaney	0
Angus Fairlie	run out: J Hastie, G Whiteside	17
Blake Montgomery	run out: G Meaney, G Whiteside	1
Extras	7WD, 6NB, 5LB, 3B, 0P	21
Total	(38.5 overs)	198

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Rex Suvoltos	2.5	-	20	0	7.05	-	3
Grant Meaney	5	-	29	1	5.80	-	-
Charlie Suvoltos	0.1	-	0	0	0.00	-	-
Jack Hastie	8	-	31	0	3.87	1	-
Steven Abram	6	-	35	0	5.83	-	-
Rohan Wardle	7	-	44	5	6.28	-	2
Henry Meaney	8	-	27	2	3.37	-	-
Adam Patching (c)	1.5	-	4	0	2.18	-	-



Rohan Wardle celebrates his *Michelle* in the 5ths on Saturday.

BWCC 1sts C grade round 14 defeated Anglesea on KFC Oval

Anglesea 3cc/83

		Runs	BF	4s	6s	SR
Hannah Donoghue	b: H Birah	0	2	0	0	0.00
Noelle Taylor	c: M Gavin b: M Birah	11	23	0	0	47.82
Janet Lister (c)	not out	50	58	6	0	86.20
Tija Bormanis	b: M Birah	7	23	0	0	30.43
Jaime Kelly	not out	8	17	0	0	47.05
Extras	3WD, 3NB, 0LB, 1B, 0P	7				
Total	(20 overs)	3cc/83				

Fall of wickets: 1-0 Hannah Donoghue, 2-30 Noelle Taylor, 3-54 Tija Bormanis.

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Susan Meaney (c)	4	1	14	0	3.50	1	0
Harman Birah	4	1	21	1	5.25	1	0
Bianca Duff	4	0	12	0	3.00	0	0
Mehar Birah	3	0	16	2	5.33	0	2
Belinda Milverton	3	0	12	0	4.00	1	0
Allison Wedding	2	0	7	0	3.50	0	1

Newtown & Chilwell 1/87

		Runs	BF	4s	6s	SR
Lauren Marino	not out	37	43	7	0	86.04
Bianca Duff	b: Cindy Adelia	27	20	4	0	135.00
Kate Seiffert	not out	12	22	1	0	54.54
Allison Wedding	dnb					
Annabelle Johanson	dnb					
Belinda Milverton	dnb					
Florianne Twaddle	dnb					
Harman Birah	dnb					
Mehar Birah	dnb					
Michelle Gavin (vc)	dnb					
Susan Meaney (c)	dnb					
Extras	0WD, 10NB, 0LB, 1B, 0P	11				
Total	(13 overs)	1/87				

Fall of wicket: 1-56 Bianca Duff.

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Janet Lister (c)	4	0	14	0	3.50	0	0
Tija Bormanis	3	0	18	0	6.00	0	0
Cindy Adelia	3	0	31	1	10.33	0	6
Jaime Kelly	2	0	13	0	6.50	0	0
Claire Stephenson	1	0	10	0	10.00	0	4



BWCC 2nds E grade round 14 lost to North Geelong on Shaw Oval

North Geelong 2cc/106

Gracie Whitford-Price	run out: R Wright	17
Charlene Quagliaro	retired not out	19
Alex Joyce	c&b: Carly White	24
Heidi Windt	not out	10
Danielle Mather (c)	not out	8
Extras	9WD, 18NB, 0LB, 1B, 0P	28
Total	(20 overs)	2cc/106

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Scarlett Hanneysee	3	-	13	0	4.33	-	-
Jules Holt (c)	3.3	1	12	0	3.42	-	-
Alice Marquand	1.3	-	9	0	6.00	-	-
Maddison Tegelhuter	4	-	23	0	5.75	-	-
Carly White (vc)	4	-	24	1	6.00	-	-
Steph Wynd	4	-	24	0	6.00	-	-

Newtown & Chilwell 5cc/63

Keely Franklin	retired not out	1
Leah Irving	b: C Quagliaro	0
Alice Marquand	retired not out	9
Kirsty Mellross	b: S Emery	5
Maddison Tegelhuter	lbw: G Whitford-Price	1
Carly White (vc)	not out	5
Erin White	not out	5
Rebecca Wright	c: ? b: S Emery	10
Steph Wynd	dnb	
Scarlett Hanneysee	dnb	
Jules Holt (c)	dnb	
Extras	10WD, 9NB, 0LB, 8B, 0P	27
Total	(20 overs)	5cc/63

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WD	NB
Alex Joyce	4	-	10	0	2.50	-	-
Kirralee Lewis	4	-	7	0	1.75	-	-
Sophie Emery	4	1	10	3	2.50	-	-
Charlene Quagliaro	1.3	-	7	1	4.66	-	-
Gracie Whitford-Price	3	-	9	1	3.00	-	-
Heidi Windt	0.3	-	1	0	2.00	-	-



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BWCC 1sts C grade semi final defeated Wallington at Wallington Recreation Reserve

Newtown & Chilwell 6cc/128

		Runs	BF	4s	6s	SR
Lauren Marino	lbw: T Smith	36	35	7	0	102.85
Bianca Duff	not out	44	47	4	0	93.61
Susan Meaney (c)	c: ? b: C Ralph	0	2	0	0	0
Kate Seiffert	b: J Cartin	2	6	0	0	33.33
Michelle Gavin (vc)	run out: R Wright	13	18	1	0	72.22
Belinda Milverton	b: K Atkinson	0	1	0	0	0
Allison Wedding	b: T Smith	1	6	0	0	16.66
Florianne Twaddle	not out	6	18	0	0	33.33
harman birah	dnb					
Mehar Birah	dnb					
Annabelle Johanson	dnb					
Extras	6WD, 16NB, 0LB, 4B, 0P	26				
Total	(20 overs)	6cc/128				

Fall of Wickets: 1-62 Lauren Marino, 2-65 Susan Meaney, 3-75 Kate Seiffert, 4-107 Michelle Gavin, 5-108 Belinda Milverton, 6-112 Allison Wedding.

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WDNB
Ruby Wright	4	0	27	0	6.75	0 4
Prue Davies	3	0	21	0	7.00	0 2
Kirah Atkinson	4	0	20	1	5.00	2 2
Jemima Cartin	3	0	20	1	6.66	2 1
Tara Smith	4	0	23	2	5.75	1 1
Christie Ralph	2	0	13	1	6.50	1 6

Wallington 5cc/122

		Runs	BF	4s	6s	SR
Sarah Kelsall (c)	lbw: A Wedding	43	33	6	0	130.30
Christie Ralph	c: S Meaney b: M Birah	35	47	5	0	74.46
Ruby Wright	c: F Twaddle b: A Wedding	2	16	0	0	12.50
Melanie Kelsall	run out: L Marino	3	6	0	0	50.00
Tara Smith	b: B Duff	12	19	0	0	63.15
Prue Davies	not out	4	5	0	0	80.00
Heidi Haberman	not out	2	8	0	0	25.00
Extras	3WD, 17NB, 1LB, 0B, 0P	21				
Total	(20 overs)	5cc/122				

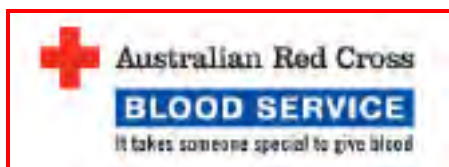
Fall of Wickets: 1-75 Sarah Kelsall, 2-94 Ruby Wright, 3-94 Christie Ralph, 4-105 Melanie Kelsall, 5-115 Tara Smith.

BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	Econ	WDNB
Susan Meaney (c)	4	0	26	0	6.78	2 3
Harman Birah	4	0	22	0	5.50	0 3
Mehar Birah	4	0	33	1	8.25	1 1
Bianca Duff	4	0	23	1	5.75	0 2
Belinda Milverton	1	0	8	0	8.00	0 3
Allison Wedding	3	0	9	2	3.00	0 5

BWCC 2nds E grade semi final lost to North Geelong at Osborne Park #2

Newtown & Chilwell 5cc/92

North Geelong 1/93



Two Blues girls under 12s



Top row from right: Bryson Milverton (coach) Winnie Carson, Georgia Milverton, Meher Dhamija, Aurelia Iser, Asha Milverton, Belinda Milverton (coach).

Front row: Quinn Wall, Thea Gleeson, Della Carson.

Absent: Neve Draper, Matilda McMahon, Alyiah Mellross-Bradley



Thea Gleeson, Winnie Carson, Georgia Milverton, Della Carson, Aurelia Iser.



Aurelia Iser.



Meher Dharmija, Asha Milverton, Georgia Milverton, Aurelia Iser.



Two Blue Junior scoreboard

COMPLETED Two Blues Boys U17 Taylor won by 8 wickets

Grovedale Junior Boys... 3-219 & 0-0

Two Blues Boys U17... 2-222d & 0-0

Grovedale Secondary College

COMPLETED Two Blues Boys U15 Crane won by 114 runs

Two Blues Boys U15... 4-256 & 0-0

Lara Cricket Club U15 Boys Gillett 142

Queens Park 2 Shaw Oval

COMPLETED Two Blues Boys U13 Royce won by 4 wickets

Queenscliff 8-103

Two Blues Boys U13 Royce 6-108

Royal Park

Fri 16 Feb

COMPLETED Highton U13 Boys Daffy won by 96 runs

Highton U13 Boys Daffy 5-194

Two Blues Boys U13 Morgan 98

McDonald Reserve 2

COMPLETED Two Blues Boys U13 Barnes won by 10 wickets

Two Blues Boys U13 Barnes 0-123

Barwon Heads U13 Goddard 61

Queens Park 2 Shaw Oval

Fri 16 Feb

COMPLETED Barrabool U13 won by 5 wickets

Barrabool U13 5-126

Two Blues Boys U13 Chisholm 6-106

Ceres Recreation Reserve

COMPLETED Highton U13 Boys Wills won by 6 wickets

Highton U13 Boys Wills 4-134

Two Blues Boys U13 Royce 4-96

Belmont Common North 2

COMPLETED Alexander Thomson U13 Hose won by 65 runs

Alexander Thomson U13 Hose 8-117

Two Blues Boys U13 Barnes 6-52

South Barwon Reserve 3

Byes

Two Blues Boys U13 Morgan

Two Blues Boys U13 Chisholm

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MCKENNA MAKES A MASSIVE MARK

Eyes are on English teen

Newtown & Chilwell's Ronnie McKenna is a young gun on the rise, an opinion shared on British television by former England captain Nasser Hussain and vindicated by some classy performances in our region's top tier.

Despite his still tender years, the 19-year-old wicketkeeper-batsman is no stranger to pressure having served as a substitute fieldman in the Lord's and Oval Test matches through the 2023 Ashes series.

Relishing a second season at Queens Park, following in the footsteps of former Gooch/Insole Scholarship Holders Dan Lawrence and Feroze Khushi, the Essex-raised cricketing prodigy predicts big things on the horizon for the Two Blues. He shared his journey with GCA1 reporter Wes Cusworth.

Wes Cusworth: Where did your path to elite cricket and the Essex Academy begin?

Ronnie McKenna: I've been at Essex since I was seven, so I played in the under-9s and have gone through the pathway ever since. I've been in Essex my whole life and live literally 20 minutes away from Chelmsford where they play.

WC: How has it been to rub shoulders with famous Essex players like Sir Alastair Cook and Dan Lawrence?

RM: It's surreal to be honest. Even when I was sub-fielding in the Ashes, Sir Alastair Cook came into the rooms afterwards and just came up and started talking to me like a friend. Then being with Dan Lawrence at Essex the whole time, guiding me through the whole experience is unbelievable. Then being mentioned by Nasser Hussain on TV, as well, I'm very lucky to have those sorts of people backing me.

WC: I was going to mention Essex legend and former England captain Nasser Hussain talking you up as an up-and-coming wicketkeeper-batsman on television. How did you feel about that wrap?

RM: It was unbelievable that he did that. I wasn't watching it at the time and then my phone started blowing up. I was like, what's happened here? What have I done? Then I saw the videos and I just couldn't believe it to be honest. I had no idea he was going to do it, but it was unbelievable.

WC: Where were you introduced to wicketkeeping?

RM: I've been keeping from the age of seven, because I was a small junior. I knew I wasn't really going to be able to be a quick bowler or anything, so, I was asked if I wanted to take the gloves and it's been that way ever since then, the last 13 years.

WC: Given this is your second season at Newtown & Chilwell, how has the experience been different for you coming back to Australia?

RM: There's obviously been a little more pressure being the first XI overseas player. Everyone at the club looks at you as the main guy. Being there last season, I knew everyone, so coming back felt quite normal. We've not had the greatest season, but we're still in contention for finals, so it's been really good.

WC: Who have you identified as the most talented players you've come up against in your time in the GCA?

RM: I'd say a lot of the North Geelong boys are. They're probably the strongest team in the GCA. So, obviously Sam Hall and then Dale Kerr as an opening bowler, he's very, very good. Obviously, the overseas boys in each of the teams as well. I think, to be fair, most of the GCA players are very talented and obviously very good cricketers.

WC: Who has most helped your game through your time at the Two Blues?

RM: I'd say Hodgey (Dylan Hodge) and Paddy (Pat McKenna). Paddy is our new coach for the rest of the season. He's played a lot of cricket and he's done an amazing job. He's very experienced and just the way that he talks to us young

players has been very good. Then Hodgey being the leader that he is, it's handy to have someone like him leading the way for us, especially being such a young side.

WC: Last round's success, including your own 72, must give you a sense of what Newtown & Chilwell can achieve when you click as a batting unit.

RM: Like I said, we've not had the best season. It's been quite frustrating chasing scores like 340 like we did against South last Saturday and chasing 240 against Grovey, only three down as well, but then being bowled out quite cheaply in most other games. But it also shows the quality that we've got, we've got depth. It shows just how strong we can be when we get kicking.

WC: You've spent a lot of time at the crease with Pat McKenna this season, whose powers of concentration seem quite remarkable. What's the conversation like as you team with him in some of those lengthy partnerships?

RM: Paddy's been brilliant this season, probably our best batter. The experience that he's had and the level of cricket he's played in the past has helped massively. When we're in the middle, he just ticks off 10 runs at a time. Tick them off, tick them off, don't worry so much about the score, just two or three-over blocks every time and before you know it the score speaks for itself.

WC: What does the future look like for the Two Blues given there are so many talented young players like Archie Bain, Noah Guida,

and everything came out of the middle.

WC: Finally, what does the future hold for you personally?

RM: Fingers crossed, once the season's over here and hopefully we have a bit more success and end up in finals, then I'll go back home and hopefully have a roll with Essex back in the twos for T20 and four-day competitions. Then hopefully I'll get a go in the ones for the 50-over competition when all the big names go and play in 'The Hundred'. Hopefully I'll be able to have a go in the 50-over comp with Essex and sign my first professional contract.

Two Blues English import Ronnie McKenna. Pictures: Wes Cusworth



Nick Burke, Tom Kiddle and Tom Patterson beginning to make an impression?

RM: It's very exciting. We've got a very young squad in the ones and even down below we've got a very young core. In the next few seasons, I can only see them getting better and making their way into the ones and putting in good performances like Archie and Noah have done so far this season. It's only going to improve. Noah struck the ball so well on Saturday, it was amazing. It's probably the best I've seen him bat all season. He got stuck-in, in the first 10 or 15 balls, and then just launched

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Seniors



	<u>Played</u>	<u>won</u>	<u>lost</u>	<u>bye</u>	<u>drawn</u>	<u>tied</u>	<u>forfeit</u>	<u>Ladder position</u>	<u>Players used - 105</u>
GCA1 First XI	13	5	7	-	1	-	-	5 th of 8	18
GCA1 Second XI	13	5	6	-	2	-	-	5 th of 8	25
GCA1 Third XI	13	6	2	-	5	-	-	2 nd of 8	32
GCA1 Fourth XI	13	8	2	-	3	-	-	1 st of 8	29
GCA1 Fifth XI	16	11	3	-	2	-	-	1 st of 8	28
BWCC C grade	15	11	3	-	-	1	-	grand finalists	18
BWCC E grade	15	8	6	1	-	-	-	3 rd of 8	14
TOTAL	98	54	29	1	13	1	-	4th in the Club Championship	

Won 55.10% Lost 29.59%

Juniors

	<u>Played</u>	<u>won</u>	<u>lost</u>	<u>drawn</u>	<u>tied</u>	<u>bye</u>	<u>Ladder position/Section</u>
Under 17 Taylor	10	4	5	1	-	-	5 th of 8 in the Just section
Under 15 Crane	10	3	5	2	-	-	6 th of 8 in the Emond section
Under 13 Royce	14	10	2	2	-	-	4 th of 8 in the Norquay section
Under 13 Morgan	13	2	10	1	-	2	7 th of 7 in the Agg section (Friday night)
Under 13 Chisholm	14	5	6	1	-	2	7 th of 9 in the Jefferies section (Friday night)
Under 13 Barnes	16	9	7	-	-	-	4 th of 8 in the Hansen section (Friday night)

5 wickets or more in an inning (10)...

Levi Irving	5 for 18 versus Grovedale 2nds on 7/10/2023.
Noah Guida	5 for 46 versus East Belmont 1sts on 14/10/2023.
Lewis Povey	6 for 21 versus East Belmont 4ths on 14/10/2023.
Steve Abram	5 for 15 versus St Josephs 5ths on 21/10/2023.
Archie Bain	6 for 27 versus Grovedale 1sts on 11/11/2023.
Brendan Twaddle	5 for 42 versus Grovedale 3rds on 18/11/2023.
Jorden Lewis	5 for 58 versus North Geelong 1sts on 20/01/2024.
Aiden Grace	5 for 7 versus South Barwon 4ths on 3/02/2024.
Sam Meaney	5 for 43 versus South Barwon 3rds on 3/02/2024.
Rohan Wardle	5 for 44 versus East Belmont 5ths on 24/02/2024.

Centuries (6)...

Paddy McKenna	115 not out (off 173 balls with 13 fours, one six) versus Grovedale 1sts in round 6 on 18/11/2023.
Ronnie McKenna	104 (off 169 balls with 13 fours) versus Grovedale 1sts in round 6 on 18/11/2023.
Paddy McKenna	141 not out (off 231 balls with 16 fours and 5 sixes) versus South Barwon 1sts in round 12 on 10/02/2024.
Jacob Harmon	110 (off 148 balls with 13 fours) versus South Barwon 4ths in round 12 on 10/02/2024.
Ronnie McKenna	106 (off 201 balls with 10 fours) versus Lara 1sts in round 13 on 24/02/2024.
Rod Kiddle	131 (with 16 fours & 3 sixers) versus Lara 3rds in round 13 on 24/02/2024.

Partnerships over 100 runs (8)...

115 runs unbeaten for the 1 st wicket by Jordan Tegelhuter (82no) & Tim Hosking (21no) versus East Belmont 2nds in round 2 on 14/10/2023.
201 runs for the 3 rd wicket by Paddy McKenna (115no) & Ronnie McKenna (104) versus Grovedale 1sts in round 6 on 18/11/2023.
A record partnership for the 3 rd wicket in the First XI.
100 runs for the 8 th wicket by Tom Levick (68no) & Max Inderberg (48) versus Grovedale 4ths in round 6 on 18/11/2023.
116 runs for the 3 rd wicket by Jarad Battenally (78) & Tom Patterson (81) versus Highton 2nds in round 9 on 16/12/2023.
157 runs for the 3 rd wicket by Paddy McKenna (141no) & Ronnie McKenna (72) versus South Barwon 1sts in round 12 on 10/02/2024.
102 runs for the 5 th wicket by Jacob Harmon (110) & Angus Duff (49) versus South Barwon 4ths in round 12 on 10/02/2024.
108 runs for the 6 th wicket by Jacob Harmon (110) & Zac Stokes (93) versus South Barwon 4ths in round 12 on 10/02/2024.
169 runs for the 2 nd wicket by Rod Kiddle (131) & Jacob Harmon (69) versus Lara 3rds in round 13 on 24/04/2024.

Milestones...

Andrew Knott	50 club matches	Matt Suvoltos	300 club wickets	Andrew Sadowy	1000 club runs
Sam Mitchell	100 club matches	Brendan Twaddle	250 club wickets	Jack Hastie	50 club wickets
Harry Christie	100 club matches		200 club matches	Noah Guida	50 club wickets
Jordan Tegelhuter	100 club matches		2000 club runs		50 club matches
	50 club wickets	Ronnie McKenna	1000 club runs	Matt Scott	50 club matches
Jordie Lewis	200 club wickets	Adam Patching	250 club matches	Tom Levick	200 club wickets
Grant Whiteside	450 catches	Jordie Lewis	200 club matches	Rod Kiddle	5000 club runs
Isaac Hogan	1000 club runs	James Purcell	200 club matches	Dylan Hodge	1000 club runs
Sam Taylor	50 club wickets	Nick Burke	50 club wickets	Grant Meaney	50 club wickets
Adam O'Connor	6000 club runs	Arch Fleet	50 club wickets		



2023/24 Top 10 after round 13 sponsored by



Batting

runs

Ronnie McKENNA	472 @ 42.91
Paddy McKENNA	446 @ 44.6
Adam O'CONNOR	404 @ 44.89
Bianca DUFF	393 @ 56.14
Jacob HARMON	392 @ 43.56
Lauren MARINO	358 @ 71.6
Rod KIDDLE	320 @ 64
Jarad BATTENALLY	318 @ 28.91
Andrew SADOWY	296 @ 26.91
Mark AINSWORTH	276 @ 27.6

Bowling

wickets

Sam TAYLOR	23 @ 17
Jordie LEWIS	23 @ 23.3
Brendan TWADDLE	18 @ 15.94
Mehar BIRAH	17 @ 14.76
Jordan WHITE	17 @ 18.18
Rex SUVOLTOS	17 @ 22.65
Henry MEANEY	16 @ 20.94
Archie FLEET	16 @ 23.56
Paddy McKENNA	15 @ 14.8
Tom LEVICK	15 @ 21.2
Lewis POVEY	15 @ 22.93
Nick BURKE	15 @ 28.53

Player of the Season

Paddy McKENNA	811
Ronnie McKENNA	682
Jacob HARMON	667
Bianca DUFF	653
Jordie LEWIS	639
Tom LEVICK	613
Sam TAYLOR	502
Zac STOKES	500
Adam O'CONNOR	484
Jordan WHITE	470

Brendan TWADDLE	464
Adam PATCHING	453
Noah GUIDA	449
Mihir PATEL	449
Susan MEANEY	446
Lauren MARINO	438
Grant WHITESIDE	438
Jack HASTIE	424
Levi IRVING	417
Sam MEANEY	413
Lewis POVEY	406
Rod KIDDLE	400

Catches - fielders

Jacob HARMON	8
Tom LEVICK	7
Aiden GRACE	7
Andrew KNOTT	7
Jordan WHITE	7
Archie BAIN	6
Susan MEANEY	6
Sam ALLEN	6
Bailey YOUNG	6
Darren FLEET	6
Mark AINSWORTH	6
Jack HASTIE	6
Andrew SADOWY	6
Adam O'CONNOR	6
Henry MEANEY	6

Dismissals 'keepers

Rebecca WRIGHT	17 (16c, 1st)
Grant WHITESIDE	15 (7c, 8st)
Mike CHAPMAN	14 (8c, 6st)
Ronnie McKENNA	13 (9c, 4st)
Charlie WINDT	7 (5c, 2st)
James PURCELL	7 (7c)
Madden SADOWY	7 (7c)
Michelle GAVIN	7 (6c, 1st)
Tom PATTERSON	6 (6c)
Florianne TWADDLE	6 (6ct)
Adam PATCHING	4 (4c)
Tim HOSKING	2 (2c)
Max INDERBERG	2 (1c, 1st)

	Club Championship		
	after round 13 unofficial	TOTALS	
1	North Geelong	91.5	
2	East Belmont	80.5	
3	South Barwon	74.5	
4	Newtown & Chilwell	66.5	
5	Grovedale	56	
6	Lara	51.5	
7	Highton	50	
8	St Josephs	49.5	





The great Two Blues' run chases



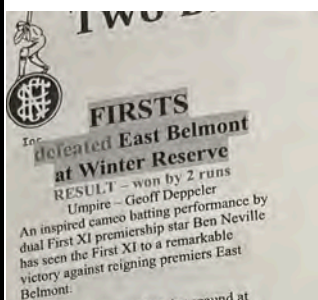
The 1st XI's run chase in round 13 against South Barwon is now officially the greatest in the club's history with 3 for 342 knocking off the 8/290 against St Josephs in round 3 of season 2016/17.

The great run chases...

- N&C 3/342 defeated South Barwon 9cc/337 round 12, 2023/24.
- N&C 8/290 defeated St Josephs 2/287 round 3, 2016/17.
- N&C 6/283 defeated East Belmont 4/281 round 8, 2006/07.
- N&C 8/270 defeated North Geelong 8/268 semi, 1999/2000.
- N&C 5/255 defeated Leopold 252 round 12, 2018/19.
- N&C 7/247 defeated Lara 9/241 round 8, 1997/98.

Benny Neville loved those run chases!

To balance the ledger slightly, the greatest loss in a run chase was in round 3 in 2001/02 when North Geelong 5/286 chased down the Two Blues' 8/280.



On an unforgivingly fast dry ground at Winters Reserve the Ones toiled to hold the home side to 4 for 281 prior to taking on one of the greatest run chases in the club's history. With John Rees (77), skipper Barry Tsitas (34) and Simon Pearce (52) all firing the Two Blues looked well placed at 2/188 after 37 overs.

Wickets tumbled as Ben Neville playing his first game for the club in four seasons took to the wicket with those 13 overs remaining and plundered 74 not out of the last 95 runs of the innings. Six sixes and 3 last 95 saw him single handedly seal a magnificent victory with just 3 balls remaining on a ground "The Freak" has made his own with some magnificent batting over the years.

East Belmont 4/281

A. Baars	std M. Kelson b S. Pearce	111
J. McDonald	c M. Kelson b S. Mullen	7
H. McDonald	c M. Kelson b J. Rees	17
D. Allan	bowled S. Gove	85
M. Hanley	not out	42
J. Noble	not out	1
50 overs	TOTAL	4 for 281
FOW: 13, 83, 167, 279.		
Bowling:	Shannon Gove	7/0/143
	Scott Mullen	5/1/120
	John Rees	9/1/130
	Simon Rau	5/0/0/43
	Simon Pearce	10/0/141
	Barry Tsitas	9/0/0/63
	Ben Neville	5/0/0/35

Newtown & Chilwell 9/283

John Rees	c M. Hanley b D. Allan	77
Barry Tsitas	lbw J. Timberlake	34
Simon Pearce	c M. Hanley b G. Dew	52
Mick Kelson	run out	15
Josh Hunt	c H. McDonald b D. Allan	7
Ben Neville	not out	74
Rhys Bennett	lbw G. Dew	1
Adam Lavars	run out	2
Shannon Gove	lbw B. Allan	6
Simon Rau	bowled B. Allan	0
Scott Mullen	not out	1
Extras		14
49.3 overs	TOTAL	9 for 283
FOW: 52, 163, 188, 189, 210, 218, 234, 264, 264.		
111 run second wicket partnership by Rees/Pearce.		
Bowling: B. Allan 6.3/4/2/11, L. Allan 7/0/0/63, J. Noble 10/0/0/43, J. Timberlake 8/0/1/45, D. Allan 10/0/2/45, G. Dew 8/1/2/65.		

FIRST XI defeated St Josephs on Zampatti Oval

St JOSEPHS 2/287cc

LA Ibbs	b N McGuane	115
JD Foss	lbw b N McGuane	68
L Kentish	not out	65
A Hodgeon	not out	12
Extras	(nb 6, w 14, b 0, lb 7)	27
Total	50 overs	2/287 (cc)
FOW: 196 (JD Foss) 218 (LA Ibbs)		
Bowling	O	M W R Nb Wd
J Clark	10	2 0 60 3 1
N McGuane	10	1 2 48 0 6
J Davis	4	0 0 22 1 1
H Christie	6	0 0 39 1 4
G Chisholm	10	1 0 40 0 1
C Bingham	6	0 0 34 0 1
S Franklin	4	0 0 37 1 0

NEWTOWN & CHILWELL 8/290d

G Chisholm	c TA Walerys b A Casey	49
W Simson	run out	47
C Bingham	b F Gill	9
T Hosking	c TA Walerys b F Gill	2
J Clark	c McTaggart b DJMorgan	57
N Waldie	lbw b JD Foss	0
Y Roussety	run out	51
S Franklin	b S McTaggart	39
H Christie	not out	26
J Davis	not out	1
N McGuane	dnb	
Extras	(nb 0, w 3, b 1, lb 5)	9
Total	49.4 overs	8/290
FOW: 72 (G Chisholm) 96 (C Bingham) 111 (W Simson) 111 (N Waldie)		
112 (T Hosking) 195 (J Clark)		
244 (Y Roussety) 284 (S Franklin)		
Bowling	O	M W R Nb Wd
F Gill	10	2 2 26 0 1
TA Walerys	8	0 0 54 0 2
L Kentish	9	1 0 67 0 0
S McTaggart	6.4	0 1 53 0 0
A Casey	6	1 1 31 0 0
JD Foss	8	0 1 32 0 0
DJ Morgan	2	0 1 21 0 0

SEMI FINAL SCOREBOARD

FIRST XI

North Geelong first innings	
R. Aylmer c L. Muller b G. Castle	3
N. Alford c R. Kiddie b D. Royce	49
G. Beaumont c J. Vinken b G. Castle	5
A. Clark c B. Neville b L. Muller	128
S. Blackford c J. Vinken b D. Royce	9
S. Hall c J. Vinken b D. Royce	13
P. Quick c & b D. Royce	18
P. Kenyon not out	25
A. Muncey lbw L. Muller	0
J. Brown not out	8
Sundries	10
Total (for eight wickets)	268
Fall: 16, 22, 75, 92, 143, 179, 250, 251.	
Bowling: G. Castle 21-3-2-51, S. Hucker 20-0-0-69, B. Royce 31-10-4-77, R. Kiddie 10-2-0-28, L. Muller 3-0-2-5.	
Newtown & Chilwell first innings	
J. Muller c S. Hall b P. Quick	8
H. Stephenson c & b A. Muncey	8
M. Wood c P. Kenyon b A. Muncey	10
L. Muller c S. Hall b J. Brown	26
R. Kiddie bowled P. Quick	48
B. Neville run out	123
H. Clarke c P. Kenyon b A. Muncey	2
J. Vinken c Clark b A. Muncey	4
D. Royce not out	14
G. Castle not out	20
Total (for eight wickets)	270
Fall: 18, 28, 29, 83, 125, 172, 200, 237.	
Bowling: P. Quick 26-3-2-91, A. Muncey 20-1-4-71, A. DiGiacomo 5-1-0-24, R. Aylmer 21-10-0-36, J. Brown 7-3-1-14, G. Beaumont 4-0-0-24.	



Ben Neville slammed his way to a match-winning knock of 123.

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Joeys throw away victory

LACHIE YOUNG
GCAI

NEWTOWN pulled off one of the most stunning victories in recent GCAI memory on Saturday, winning a thrilling encounter against St Joseph's by two wickets.

Having been set a target of 288 by Joeys, the Two Blues fought their way back from 5-112 thanks to half centuries from Jordan Clark (57) and Yves Roussety (51) to give themselves a hope of pulling off an upset.

Newtown captain Shane Franklin (39) looked set to play the role of hero for his team but was bowled off the second ball of the final over with just three runs needed for the victory.

The new man to the crease, Jackson Davis, managed to score a single to give Harry Christie the strike, and when Christie hit the ball directly to mid-off, St Joseph's had an easy chance for a ninth wicket.

However, the throw to the wicketkeeper's end missed its target and the ensuing overthrows gave Newtown its third win of the season.

Franklin said while he would have liked to be out there to hit the winning runs, the win was all that mattered. Earlier in the day Luke Ibbs (115) smashed a century for Joeys and received able support from Justin Foss (68) and Leigh Kentish (65 not out).





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