



# Eagle Eye

Newsletter of the North Canberra Gungahlin Cricket Club

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## Eagle Rock (Club Song)

For those of you that are new to the club this is the song that is sung after every game that we win regardless of Grade. It is steeped in tradition and has been sung loud and proudly after Northies wins for some time. So as new members of the North Canberra Gungahlin

Eagle Family it is your responsibility to familiarise yourself with the song as I can guarantee that you will be singing it on numerous occasions this season. To those whom this is not their first season at Northies and don't know the song, shame on you, this is a chance to redeem yourself so learn and sing it loud and proud!

Ooooh!!!!!!

The Northies boys fly high,  
Like an eagle in the sky,  
Full of courage,  
And will to win the game,  
We will win!  
And wherever we will go,  
We'll let everybody know,  
That we are Northies!  
And proud of our name.

Ooooh!!!!!!

Northies oh Northies you beauty,  
The honour the glory the bliss,  
By day-time we go out and dominate,  
By night-time we suck on the p\*ss!

Now there are no excuses when we win all eight games this weekend for people not knowing the club song as it is on the front cover.





## A Message From El Presidente

Thanks again to Tommy and Hally for producing another great Eagle Eye and welcome back to everyone. I hope you had a safe and happy break.

The club has had a lot of highs this year already, with some fantastic individual and team efforts with bat and ball through the grades. If there is one thing we've been guilty of as a club it's been being a little too inconsistent. I think every grade remains in contention at this stage though, which shows that we are continuing to improve as a club. Hopefully with finals coming up, we'll see everyone at training working hard to find that extra little bit that might lead us to a premiership or two.

I thought I'd take this time to remind everyone about our functions at the Tradies every Saturday night at 7pm. Attendance has dropped a little (as it always does) through December and January, but it is important that everyone makes the effort to come back. Not only do we look great to our sponsor, but it is also a good chance to support for your club mates efforts that day. We only ask that you come for about 15 minutes, so I hope to see the numbers back at the club grow in the coming weeks.

See you all at training, games, at the Tradies or at the various social events in the coming weeks.

Cheers,

Albert "Closer" Eichholzer





## Treasurer's Tirade

Pay your fees or I will get this guy onto you!





## NCGCC Selection Criteria

Overall responsibility for the selection of teams rests with the Selection Committee consisting of three members. These are appointed by the Club for the specific purpose of selecting competitive teams to represent the Club in all grades each week. The Selection Committee for the coming season is:

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Team selection is a difficult task that can be made more challenging by poor communication between players and the Selection Committee regarding availability. In this regard, it is essential that you advise the selectors if you are unavailable for any reason as soon as possible but no later than the Tuesday prior to the commencement of the game.

While team selection will primarily be based on form the selectors will also take into account the following:

- Financial status
- Balance of the team
- Status of a younger player who may have potential to develop greater skills by playing in a higher grade than form warrants.
- Attendance at and participation in training sessions.
- Commitment to the team, such as attending matches on time.

As part of their deliberations the Selection Committee will also consult with the Club Coach and team Captains as necessary but the final decision will rest with the Committee.

Team selections will be announced at training on Thursdays and posted on the club's website [www.ncgcc.org.au](http://www.ncgcc.org.au) on Friday afternoon. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are aware of what team you have been selected in and what ground and time you are playing. If you do not have access to the Internet or if you become unavailable after





teams have been selected you must contact the Chairman of selectors in the first instance or your team captain as soon as possible.

Failure to observe these requirements creates unnecessary problems for the selectors and team captains and may have an adverse impact on your selection for future games.

It is important to note that if you have any issues in relation to where you have been selected to play or with the selection process generally please raise them with the Chairman of Selectors.

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## Club Captains Report

With the regular season almost finished, we can be proud of what we've achieved so far. We've had excellent results with most grades inside the top 4 in the 2 day competition. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade have won 1 day grand final and 4<sup>th</sup> grade unfortunately got done in their semi. All that we've accomplished will mean little if we don't finish the season as well as we can. Other clubs will be picking up their intensity as they move into finals contention, we must make sure we do the same and do it better. So that means that we all need to **get to training** twice a week and when there we need to do make sure we're prepared for the weekend. This differs for every person but everyone needs to show intensity and focus on what they will be required to do on the weekend.

Good luck and see you at training

Peter "Radders" Radford

## Studzies

Ever wanted to be a studzy? Ever wondered what a studzy was? Ever wondered who the random blokes watching you at the cricket are?

The Northies Studzy tradition was conceived when a group of ex-Northies Superstars began coordinating their visits to Keith Tournier Oval in order to critique the sides in action, the pitch, the outfield, and each other.

The Studzy group has always been an unofficial group with no affiliation to the actual cricket club... Until now!

As a way of thanking our ex-players, supporters, and randoms, the NCGCC committee is working to officially recognize our Studzies. The cost (to be finalized) to join the Studzies will be a one-off joining fee of approximately \$20, and Studzy benefits include:

- \* Your own NCGCC Studzy shirt;
- \* Emails relating to NCGCC matches social events and news;
- \* Free tea and coffee at Keith Tournier Oval;
- \* Text message match updates from Allan "Not Small" Hall;
- \* Other great benefits not yet thought of.

To register your interest, contact Matt Jeppesen at [matt.mb.jeppesen@centrelink.gov.au](mailto:matt.mb.jeppesen@centrelink.gov.au).





## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade (Hot Buns)

The second half of the season for first grade has been a frustrating one. We are still unbeaten from round one but have had 3 draws in a row in matches we were expected to win. This has placed us precariously in equal 3<sup>rd</sup> position, 2 points above Weston Creek. The match against Weston Creek this weekend looms as an important game in our bid to secure a semi finals birth.

We have played some exceptional cricket and dominated games, but haven't been able to finish sides off on batting friendly pitches. Some fantastic personal performances were Murph's 4/67 against Tigerland, Axe's 68 no and 5/80 against Eastlake, and Albert's hard fought 56 against Tuggies. A particular highlight was Albert's run out against Ginninderra, possibly the most amazing thing seen on a cricket field. If you don't know the story then Albert will be more than happy to fill you in.

With 2 games to go we need to hit our straps to be a force in this year's competition. If we can all play somewhere to our capability then we are a very good chance to take the title.

Peter "Radders" Radford





## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (The Magoos)



### **Vs ANU 28 Nov-5 Dec 09 Norths win outright**

#### **Agony to Ecstasy**

Having had our pants pulled down by the Ginninderros, 2s struck back with a vengeance to capitalise on an excellent wicket and the strongest 2<sup>nd</sup> grade side seen in a number of years. Batting first on a KTMO flat one, we piled on 7-324 with Victor (79) and the G (82) putting on 150 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> wicket. Contributions from Stepho (21), Hall (37), Jack Donaldson (24\*) and Mick Kaminski (41\* off about 15 balls) allowed us to declare early. Magic Tones Murphy then destroyed their top order to leave them teetering at 5-12 overnight and in sight of one of the lowest scores ever recorded. However on day 2 ANU rallied strongly to be 97 all out, with magic taking 4-20. In innings 2, it was the turn of the spinners, well one spinner and one burglar to destroy ANU. Tommy T smoker picked up his first bag of 5 and G chipped in with some good full bangers to remove tenacious ANU batters and picked up 4 for into the bargain. Game over, and 10 points to us.

### **Vs Wests 12-19 Dec Norths win on 1<sup>st</sup> innings**

#### **Stepho's last game, what a cracker**

I haven't been involved in too many better games than this. Stepho announced before the game that he was off to experience the blonde laden wastes of Stockholm for 3 years and so this was his last opportunity to get a hungee for the club for a while and also to reap some points from Wests. It started with some intensity with Schnitzel von Crum Bissell and Jimmy G bowling up a storm. We became untidy as the day progressed and despite good bowling from all seamers (Jimmy G 3-22), Wests still made 262. That was probably about 40 more than they deserved but still gettable given that we still had 26 overs of the day remaining and what appeared to be a great batting line up including Sam 'Funky' Miller being awarded his 2<sup>nd</sup> grade cap for making a debut. Sadly, just because you can smash runs for the Comets doesn't mean that you can make runs in 2nd grade, and so it turned out. Mind you, he wasn't alone there and quicker than you can say 'yer a nobhead' 2s were 4-10 with Miller, Lamond, Gnads and G back in the hutch. Enter Hall and Stepho with determination befitting a man of such surly stature. The pair repaired the damage to leave the game nicely poised at 4-90 overnight, needing 173 runs to win and a whole day to get them. Day 2 saw Hall and Stepho continue their domination and the pair put on 116 before Hall nicked one to 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> skip. The mini cetacean came in and provided excellent support to Stepho. Stepho and Fitzzy took the score to 210 before Stepho, much to his bat smashing ire got caught at midwicket for the 10<sup>th</sup> time this season. After this Fitzzy stole the show smashing a hapless Wests for 83, before Schnitzel and Jimmy G saw us home by 1 wicket. A great game and an effort befitting Stepho.





### **Vs Wests 9 Jan 2010 Wests win**

I don't know what it is, but our ability to translate some 2 day magic into one day form is questionable. And so it proved in a nondescript game at KTMO against an average Wests team. After a decent start, 3-121 in 30 overs, with G, Vic and Beames all making contributions, the momentum fell away and we surrendered 4 wickets to an embryonic 4<sup>th</sup> grade leggie, who burgled more wickets than any skipper, to be 168 all out on a flat wicket that looked as though it may get better. Tom Mailing aka 'the postman' made his 2<sup>nd</sup> grade debut and opened up with Jimmy G. No bowler had much success on this slow and dead track and Wests were always going at 4s. Despite numerous bowling changes which saw 8 would be heroes turn their arm, the game was brought to a close quite appropriately with Chook Closer being dominated by Wests' skipper in the 35<sup>th</sup> over. A poor day's cricket and one which must leave people wondering why we bother playing one day cricket.

### **Vs Ginninderra 16 Jan 2010 Norths win on faster run rate**

#### **Here comes the rain again**

I have never seen Kippax 2 looking as good. With a wicket that any 1<sup>st</sup> grade would be happy to play on and a lightning outfield, the scene was set for a high scoring game, and so it proved, or would have done if thunder, lightning and rain hadn't intervened. A solid batting performance from Norths, which included an excellent cameo from Hall, a solid 78 from the solid Beames and some lower order magic from Louis 'the Fly' Rutzou saw Norths make 9/253. With hopes high, Schnitzel Bissell and Tom the Postman mailing attacked Ginninderra. Ginninderra, however, were well prepared and brought up their 50 after 7 overs. The introduction of Jelfs into the attack brought some sanity to proceedings and after 24 overs, the score had slowed to less than 5s. it was at this point that the skies darkened sufficiently and thunder, lightning and rain brought a halt to proceedings. While GWB wanted to wait, they were about 50 runs behind the run rate and realised that it was a forlorn hope. So, 6 points to Norths, but unfortunately we still didn't qualify for one day finals.

### **Vs Eastlake 23-30 Jan 2010 Eastlake win on 1<sup>st</sup> innings**

If KT had seen his beloved wicket, he would have been a mite disappointed. We were somewhat fortunate, though not in hindsight, that the game continued past the first few overs on day 1 as Eastlake's opening bowler struggled not to break his ankle on the shifting sands that were the bowling crease. By the end of the day the pitch resembled a battle zone, with North's batsmen, due not to the pitch, but more from some questionable adjudication, being the main casualties. Contributions from G and Brock 'Spankler'







### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (The Magees)

We are good; we are premiers so eat it.



### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (The Al-Gores)

#### Round 6v Ginnindera at Dickson

NCGCC won toss and elected to bat in our 1<sup>st</sup> two day game.  
10 / 190 Sundries 18, Bryan Coughlan 40, Mark Strong 38  
Other contributions of mid 20's and mid teens  
4th wicket partnership b/w Coughlan and Howes 51  
6th wicket partnership b/w Docker and Strong 63

Opening the bowling were Lance Moulton 15-3-5-42  
and Jack Connell 12-3-5-34, Brian Coughlan chimed  
in with 2-2-0-0. Ginnindera all out for 84, follow on enforced,  
couple of early chances down Ginn made 171,  
Tom Docker 11.5-4-5-37 Salvo Delorenzo sneaky 3-1-2-4.  
We reqd 66 off two overs for the outright.

#### Round 7 v ANU at Dickson

NCGCC won toss and elected to bat in our 2nd two day game.  
10 / 189 Sundries 13, Bryan Coughlan 28, Paul Harders 44  
Other contributions of mid 20's and mid teens

Dropped one fellow on 30 he made 88 dropped the other on 20 he made 118.  
ANU insisted we let their guy get 50, he then just teed off.  
Matt Smith 12-3-2-44, Salvo Delorenzo, sneaky 1-0-2-5

#### Round 3 v WEST at Reid

Won the toss and the Skip decided to Bowl in our 3rd two day game, snick up on the  
third ball, it went down, S. Hook decided to rampage, he did, got a blood nose and retired  
hurt. Google was thrown the ball, 23-5-6-60. Wests dec 9-321 off 79 overs.  
NCGCC 10 / 191 Sundries 21 from 59 overs, Paul Harders 49, Matt Smith 26,  
Jacob Little 24.

#### Round 6 1Day v WEST at Reid

Lost the toss and had a bowl, bowling lines were good, Wests 10-188 in 48,  
Matt Smith 8-2-2-19, Stephen Moore 7-0-2-22

NCGCC 10-100 Sundries 23, Stephen Moore 32, Darren Eichholzer 11.





5th wicket partnership b/w Moore and Routzo 31  
West's undefeated in **BOTH** One and Two day **SO** far.

### **Round 7 1Day v GINNINDERRA at KIPPAX 1**

NCGCC won toss and elected to bat.

10 / 180 Sundries 25, Bryan Coughlan 57, Stephen Moore 24

Salvo Delorenzo 20 not out

3rd wicket partnership b/w McDonald and Moore 37

10th wicket partnership b/w Coughlan and Delorenzo 48

Ginninderra looking to win with the wet weather coming started to paste the ball but did not calculate properly and only made 2-95, this ended their One day season, but breathed life back into Northies by securing 4<sup>th</sup> by net run rate to push Eastlake to 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Round 4 Two Day v Eastlake at "The Mint"**

Well as usual, lost the toss and had to bowl. Eastlake all out for 170.

All Ten wicket taken from the Southern end with Louis Rutzou 2-37 opening and in partnership with James Russell's return to the club, 12 overs, 9 maidens, 0 for 3, Yes that is correct (12-9-0-3), Lance Moulton then became the destroyer taking 6-19 from 10, he needed a drink and the skip took over with a wicket and a sneaky run-out in the same over.

Batting went well and we ended up 2-38 at the end of play, with Bala Mohan no 21. We resumed the following week where there were good performances especially from the lower end of the order, to get us to 216 at tea. We could have called the game at that, but cricket is cricket and we went for the kill, we did manage to take 6wickets but did not quite have time to push the advantage. James Russell finishing with 4-37.

### **1Day Semi v WEST at Kaleen**

Good toss to win, with my Old Captain Tony "Kebabs" Harman saying "not a bad pitch to bowl on" (not a bad call from a batsman) so yet again, lost the toss. We bowled and knocked over the undefeated team for 106, Louis Rutzou bowling well from one end and Lance Moulton from the other, wickets shared by the team with Dinesh Chovatiya backing up from his effort the previous day with a sneaky 4-7. Great team fielding and bowling effort.

At 1-45 we were looking good Tony Harman (22) and Tommy "Quags" Docker (16) batting well, but strange things happen when you bring on a junk bowler, everyone want





to hit them for six! Consequently the junk bowler took 6-30 odd. Louis Rutzou (youngest in the team) showed how with 16no. All out 82, enough lesson Learnt.

### **Round 5 Two Day v Tuggers at “The Chisolm Dome 2”**

With the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade comp close, this was a chance to get into the middle of the top four. With the toss lost and moisture in the deck we batted, and soon found ourselves a couple down, but Tony Harman showed how to play, with front foot cuts and lovely drives for 43. Good support was given by the top order to Tony even though the batsman scored single figures, but at the back end is where it gets interesting with, no's 8,9,10 and 11 batting for spots, the 9<sup>th</sup> wicket yielded 43 runs to bring the tally to 159, with Joel Rivers 24 and Matt Smith 18.

We had a great start with Rivers taking a very good catch at Short Cover from Lance Moulton (2-7) and the most unlucky bowler (or luckiest Batsman 21no) edges everywhere, Andrew Macdonald (0-12 from 6), we finished the day with them 2-28. Consequently, all was washed out.

We now have Weston Creek at Reid and Queanbeyan left, two wins and we finish in third, if we lose one we will struggle for the finals.

Keep working lads lots more cricket to come.

Get to training.

Cheers

Stephen “Google” Moore





## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (The Porn Star XI)

5<sup>th</sup> Grade season update – Dec until now

Results since December are:

5	North Canberra Gungahlin	def	ANU CC	
8 Dec	<b>165</b> C Stephens 34	by	<b>184</b> A Harris 4/20	Reid
09	BM Mohan 33		A Calder 4/43	
12	North Canberra Gungahlin	def	Queanbeyan	
9 Dec	<b>102</b> S Delorenzo 31	by	<b>5/103</b> M Chapman 31	Dickson
09	J Fern 5/5 J Martin 2/14		A Harris 3/27	
19	Western District & University of Canberra	def	North Canberra Gungahlin	
10 Dec	<b>8/137(cc)</b> C Ravinuthala 25		<b>8/134(cc)</b> S Grimmett 33*	Aranda
09	A Grimmett 4/12		BM Mohan 28 AR Day 2/22	
	L Rutzou 3/18			
	S Delorenzo 2/17			
16	Ginninderra Cricket Club	def	North Canberra Gungahlin	
11 Jan	<b>92</b> S De Ferranti 3/16	by	<b>3/81</b> BM Mohan 35*	Aranda
10	D Chovatiya 2/10		J Singh 2/25	
	A Grimmett 2/11			
	S Grimmett 2/14			
23	North Canberra Gungahlin	def	Weston Creek	
12 Jan	<b>139</b> D Chovatiya 32	by	<b>140</b> S Ehlers 49*	Dickson
10	S Beban 28 S Spencer 3/10		d axelby 4/15 Y Negi 3/5	
	J Gosling 2/26		J Gunning 2/10	
30	Eastlake Cricket Club	def	North Canberra Gungahlin	
13 Jan	<b>262</b> T Hill 49 S Coulter 42	by	<b>7/263</b> D Chovatiya 97	Dickson
10	A Masud 33* JA Watt 29		S Grimmett 40	
	J Southwell 28		M Donaldson 40	
	D Chovatiya 5/35		A Sherlock 3/16	
	BP Morris 2/62			
14	6 Feb ANU CC	drew	North Canberra Gungahlin	O'Connor
13				
15	Feb North Canberra Gungahlin	drew	Tuggeranong	Dickson
10				





The season continues to yield varied fortunes for the fives, but recent results argue for a solid finish to the season.

Languishing at the bottom of the ladder post Christmas a couple of solid results have seen us climb into 6<sup>th</sup> spot above Ginninderra and the Creek. While a top four finish is now (thanks to the rain) out of our grasp – we can still effect some rearrangements of the table with some application to the task for our remaining games.

The highlight of this session has had to be our win against top placed Eastlake in Round 13. Batting first they scored a whopping 262 at Dickson. The only joy we could draw from the game at the break was that we had actually bowled them out (in the 40<sup>th</sup>) with a huge effort from Dinesh Chovatiya with his 5/35.

Our run chase started well with an opening stand of 126 at pretty quick rate and a follow up 40 from Mikey Donaldson at number 3 saw us 2/192 and right on the cusp of a major upset. Unfortunately that second wicket was Dinesh, run out for 97. Jackson Nicholls then chimed in for a handy 23.

All the while the overs were racking up and our run rate started to fall off with the loss of a few wickets in the middle order, but Ben Godwin and Josh Hogan took us into the last over with only 4 runs needed for a win. The previous over Josh had withstood the rage and fury of their opening bowler who, through a slight miscalculation of exactly how far off the ground Josh actually is, managed to bowl a couple of well needed full toss no-balls. Josh stood up to this barrage and actually “went” the bowling.

Upshot was we got the runs with 3 balls to spare. What a win!!

We were so fired up after that win that the following week against ANU was going to be something to see as was the week after that against Tuggeranong. Sadly, the rain had other plans and so we wait for Round 16 against Ginninderra to continue our strong run home.

Steve “Clarrie” Grimmett





## Women's Report

The Northies women have finally found post-Christmas form, despite some underwhelming and at times unflattering results.

In the first game of the year Northies faced a young and enthusiastic Tuggers side. Some loose bowling suggested we were stuck firmly in holiday mode, although Jen Macklin with 2/16 and Shanny Byrne 2/26 stopped Tuggers' total from blowing out beyond 155. Salvaging some respect from the game, the Northies girls batted out the 20 overs, setting up some promising partnerships at the top of the order. The lower order bats struggled against some sharp young bowlers, with chase drawing to a close at 7/80. With a hell of a lot to take from the match, the girls knuckled down at training and took stock of our strengths and opportunities to improve.

Unfortunately, we immediately faced the other dominant force in womens' cricket, Eastlake. Searching for a consistent opening bowling combination, our at times erratic approach was severely punished in what ended up a horrifically frustrating day. But for a good run out by Jill Sheppard and Addy Jones, Eastlake's innings was remarkably fruitless for Norths. Chasing 1/156, the batting started steadily. A tidy opening partnership between Liz Quinn and Jill was continued by Quinny and Addy, before we were exposed by some careless running between wickets and a general lack of confidence. Laura Bush contributed a handy knock down the order, stopping the rot before rounding out the 20 overs at 8/65.

Facing a break while the other second grade sides played out the Glenda Hall finals series, interest turned to the first grade Lynne O'Meara Cup. With injuries to many of the Meteors and genuine first grade players, second grade hacks Quinny and Jill stepped up as four extra legs in the field and two mouths filled with endless motivational clichés. Throwing themselves into the year-opening T20 double header, both Quinny and Jill took wickets and contributed with some tidy fielding, while in the second game (against Queanbeyan) Northies' Bec Maher kept as gorgeously as ever, made a 50-odd not out and hit the winning runs in the last over. The next week saw Great Impressions (Norths/ANU) take on the Eastlake-based side, once again winning comfortably, with some minimal contributions from Quinny and Jill and significant contribution from Marzie.

Minor premiers, Great Impressions headed straight for the grand final against a young and sprightly Queanbeyan side. Throwing Queanbeyan a chase of 227, Marzie made a typically dominant 54, in an impenetrable partnership with Meteors captain Kris Britt (84). Great Impressions set off hard in defence with some variable bowling but rock solid fielding. Quinny took what has since been described as the Catch of the Century and took the wicket of Queanbo's most frustrating batsman, while Marzie was once again everywhere behind the stumps, and handy with the ball. With Northies well represented, GIs cruised to a 50-odd run win to take the Lynne O'Meara Cup. Hopefully more Northies girls will be encouraged to offer themselves up for selection next season; as





always Northies players proved themselves committed, competitive and supportive teammates, earning praise and not a little jealousy from the other clubs represented. Back in seconds, Northies threw themselves into the post-Glenda Hall season 40-over competition ready for a win. And satisfyingly, it came against Wests. Some astounding opening bowling from Shanny-poo Byrne and Eastlake's Naiha Chopra showed Wests we were serious, and the wickets flowed as an undermanned Wests collapsed for 76. Best of the Northies bowlers were Marzie with 3/15 and Addy with 2/12, although Shanny only bled five runs from her three overs. With the chase never in doubt, Marzie and Quinny systematically pulled apart Wests' bowling, wrapping things up in 11 overs. Marzie capped off her three-for with 56 not out, possibly earning man of the match accolades despite turning up halfway through Wests' innings. Infinitely more comfortable back playing 40 over games, the Northies girls expect to be able to report two more victories from the remaining matches, and to go into next season stronger, more united and more competitive than ever.

### Juniors News

The season is progressing well for the NCG Junior sides with several sides in contention for the semi finals. This year ACT cricket has introduced a semi final system from u11 Division 1 and above for the first time in a while rather than just the top two teams playing off in a final.

Probably the pick is the 16-18 Colts Division 1 NCG who remain undefeated with a number of good performances from Louis Rutzou, Ollie Caruana- Brown, Chris Zhang Jordan, Goodieson, Chamara Liyange and Jacob Little. Coach Stephen Howes has the team playing consistent high standard cricket.

### NGCC Under 14 div 1 def Queanbeyan 6 & 13 Feb - Game Summary abridged version from team scribe Dave McGarry

**Day 1** The first session started with some good some lusty hitting from the Queanbeyan openers but a couple of early wickets had them on the back foot we had them 4 down at the first break for 105, due to some good catches. We held all of our early chances, Josh McGarry at point holding on to a cracker started the ball rolling. Going into the second session Queanbeyan had a good run rate and continued to score reasonably freely, punishing almost every bad ball. Their batsmen consolidated and were looking at pushing onto a big scores. Then we had a match turning spell of bowling by Josh McGarry, Cameron Sell and Brad Thomas, great line and length and the batsmen were stifled. More importantly the boys lifted in the field and supported the bowlers. The pressure mounting at drinks 4 for 180. The final session saw our boys stay on top the batsmen were frustrated and a couple of wickets had the momentum staying with NGCC. Hugh Parsons came on and added to the pressure I think the comment was "are you batting with a donut





or what?" Some really hard chances went down but most importantly we didn't drop the bundle and we restricted Queanbeyan to 7 for 244 (only 64 runs in the final session). Jana Daw also took two wickets on debut for the team bowling excellent leggies. All round an excellent effort to restrict Queanbeyan to 244.

**Day 2** The NCG openers put on an opening stand of 45 before Arpoov got one that skidded right through him. We had our solid start. Jackson Nichols and Hugh Parsons kept the scoring ticking over and we moved into drinks at 1 down. After drinks Hugh and Jackson set about taking apart the bowling attack Queanbeyan were having difficulty with the ball as it was like a bar of soap. Hugh and Jackson both bringing up their milestones. Just before the session finished disaster struck, Jackson (52) was unlucky caught on the boundary (although difficult to be 100% sure it did look as though it was on or over the boundary when it was caught). The very next ball Hugh was out in almost identical circumstances caught out in the deep (great innings of 85). The boys had put us in a great position. Brad and Jana found themselves at the crease and the second session finished at 4 for 184. After another couple of wickets we were closing in on the target and everyone was getting tense, Coach Mark Duggan was chewing on his elbows and the rain was starting to fall. I think everyone was thinking the same thing and was wishing the rain away. We still had a couple of overs up our sleeves and only 9-10 runs to make, Jana found the boundary and took the pressure off and then a couple runs later it was all over. NGCC has won. Jana on debut finishing with 38 runs great innings.

## Social Happenings

### PIPE NIGHT 2010 (TBC)

When: Saturday 13th March 730pm - 930pm

Where: Filthy McFaddens, green Square, Kingston

What: The night where we crown the NCGCC Pipe Master. If you think you can dominate Carpy in the most esteemed arm wrestling comp this side of the equator then I'll see you there.

### PRESENTATION NIGHT 2010

When: Friday 9th April

Where: The Tradies, Dickson

What: A chance to look back at the season and celebrate the successes. A chance to farewell the season with your team mates and fellow clubmen. A chance to enjoy a sensational dinner.

Cost: TBC but around \$50

Keep on being Socialable,

Social Committee.





## Sponsors Plug



### **Tradies & CFMEU**

[www.thetradies.com.au](http://www.thetradies.com.au)

The Tradies and CFMEU are our new major sponsors, and have been extremely generous, including the best financial agreement for a Canberra cricket club, caps for all junior and senior players and playing and training shirts for the seniors. On top of all that they provide a fantastic venue for post-game sneakies.

Do the right thing and support the sponsor that supports you, by heading to the Dickson Tradies after your game for a cold one and to share tales of Northies glory with your team mates.

### **Blueys Café**

Dickson Tradies

There have been some exceptional on-field efforts so far this season, and part of the credit must surely go to the best hot-dog venue around. Bluey's Café, located at the Dickson Tradies, have been providing a free hot dog to the "Player of the Day" for each grade each week.

Even if you can't out-shine your team-mates to win a free one, you should still get stuck into a Bluey's dog. They are dog gone delicious.

### **National Indoor Cricket Centre**

[www.niccweb.com.au](http://www.niccweb.com.au)

The Indoor centre has been looking after Northies for several years, providing the perfect venue for pre-season training and post-pre-season training sneakies.

Check out [www.niccweb.com.au](http://www.niccweb.com.au) if you're interested in some indoor cricket, netball, or even beach volleyball action, and tell them you play for the mighty Eagles.

### **Infinite Networks**

[www.infinite.net.au](http://www.infinite.net.au)

Infinite Networks host our magnificent web site, so we love them. If you're looking for an Internet Service Provider, or need web design or development, ADSL/ADSL2+, Naked ADSL2, TransACT, Fibre termination, web hosting or co-location solutions, check them out at [www.infinite.net.au](http://www.infinite.net.au).





### **Filthy McFadden's Irish Pub**

[www.lovefilthys.com](http://www.lovefilthys.com)

Filthy McFaddens Irish Pub in Kingston has been supporting Northies for several years through a player sponsorship agreement. Northies superstars such as Allan "Not Small" Hall, Matt "Jeppo" Jeppesen and Scott "Darth Trunk" Smith and the club as a whole have all benefited from Filthy's sponsorship, not to mention their beverages.

If you're in the mood for a mid-week sneaky or a few lazy ones on a Saturday night, think Filthy thoughts. Check out Hally's blog at [www.lovefilthys.com](http://www.lovefilthys.com).

### **Pirate Pub Run 2010**

Yarr! The ultimate pre-season get-together will be coming around again in 2010. A fantastic day for the older Northies boys and girls, this fundraiser netted over \$1000 for the club. As a juicy bonus, all Northies boys and girls who attend go into a draw to have their fees covered for the season. To find out how good that feels, talk to 2009 winner Steve "Magictones" Murphy.

### **Jim Murphy's**

Jim Murphy's have so many convenient locations all over Canberra and the surrounds. They are your one stop shop for anything of an alcoholic nature. They also gave us plenty of grog and plonk for the trivia night so thank you Jim Murphy's.

### **Electrodry**

<http://www.edry.com.au/>

5<sup>th</sup> grade sometimes-skipper Salvo Delorenzo is your Northies carpet expert and a our newest player sponsor (of Salvo). For carpets, upholstery, tiles, rugs, mattresses, leather, flood and fire restoration experience Salvo's Electrodry difference.

### **Manteena**

[www.manteena.com.au](http://www.manteena.com.au)

Manteena are a new sponsor to Northies. For over 33 years, Manteena has provided professional services in project and construction management to clients engaged in commercial, industrial, institutional and multiple residential building projects in both the private and public sectors.





### **Ainslie Football Club**

[www.ainsliefc.com](http://www.ainsliefc.com)

Norths have had a long standing relationship with the Ainslie Football Club and Gungahlin Lakes Golf Club. Previously our major sponsor, we are pleased that the Ainslie continues to be a part of the Northies family.



### **Belconnen Soccer Club**

[www.belconnensoccerclub.com.au](http://www.belconnensoccerclub.com.au)

The BSC have sponsored North's pre-season match against Wests for the last two seasons. The management of their two clubs are big supporters of sport in Canberra.

### **5 Star Plus**

<http://www.5starplus.com.au>

5 Star Plus (aka "Crazy Sab's Cricket Warehouse") has been looking after Northies boys and girls for years. If you need any cricket gear, see Sab first and if you mention Northies he'll look after you.

### **IMB**

<http://www.imb.com.au>

IMB is one of Australia's largest building societies, and offers full-service face-to-face and electronic banking facilities including home and personal lending, savings and transaction accounts, term deposits, business banking, financial planning and a wide range of insurance products. IMB have offered Northies a special sponsorship arrangement where if any Northies player or family member (including Juniors) takes out a homeloan through IMB, 0.25% of the loan amount will be donated back to the club. For more information, head to the IMB branch in Civic.

### **Tiffen & Co**

<http://www.themortgagedetective.com.au/>

Whether you are a first home buyer, refinancing or an astute property investor, Tiffen & Co endeavour to provide you with attentive personal service and expert advice. Not only that, but if you mention Northies when you borrow through Patrick Bouquiaux at Tiffen & Co, they will donate \$250 to the club. For bookings, contact Patrick's assistant at [alice@tiffenandco.com](mailto:alice@tiffenandco.com).





Dear Dr. Eagle Eye

Well, here I am again. I just hope that this club has taken a step in the right direction.

Dear Doctor Eagle Eye,

I am a famous cricketer and everyone around Canberra knows my name, particularly the taxi drivers. But every time I go out on the town, I get mobbed by thousands of ladies and I end up with bite marks and scratches all over me. I do enjoy my celebrity status, but it is starting to endanger my health and I think my team mates are starting to get a bit jealous. What should I do? Please help me.

Regards,  
A-Grade Celebrity

I think that you are absolutely full of it. The taxi drivers only pretend to listen to you so they can take you on a longer ride and get more money out of you. What clubs are you going to anyways? Why don't you be a good clubman and share those ladies around. Then your mates might not be so jealous. That's the solution sharing caring.

Dear Doctor Eagle Eye,  
The Boxing Day Test was supposed to be cancelled this year and it was not. Why is that?

Regards,  
Bagging the Boxing Day Test

For starters I don't have anything to do with Cricket Australia so asking that question of me is completely Frivolous. You need your head examined if you think that they would cancel the Boxing Day test, enough said.

Dear Doctor Eagle Eye,  
I nervous prior to the KT Day exhibition match because I know as a batsman that a particular spin bowler just has the wood on me. How do I combat this come game day?

This bowler sounds almost unplayable. Well I think that you are going to have to try to play him as well as you can even though this will not be good enough. Good Luck

Regards,  
Sweating Seriously Through My Beard





### Are you a Frenchman or a Walrus? Take our Quiz

1. Do you intend to play for Wests next year?      A) Yes      B) No
2. Which do you prefer, croissants or fish?      A) Croissants      B) Fish
3. Do you bring an 80 litre esky to every game?      A) No      B) Yes
4. Have you ever thrown bat in the nets at training?      A) Yes      B) No
5. Are you a sensible Poker player?      A) No      B) Yes
6. Which is a more appropriate form of facial hair?      A) Dirty French Moustache  
B) Whiskers
7. Which do you prefer?      A) Smoking      B) Swimming
8. Which do you prefer?      A) Rugby      B) Golf
9. Which do you prefer?      A) Sitting Down  
B) Playing Cricket

If you answered mainly A, then you are Frenchman who enjoys throwing bats and eating Croissants. If you answered mainly B, then you are a walrus who has a large esky and enjoys playing golf.





## The Google's Nest

This just in “Yes that’s right, this edition’s questions if answered correctly are worth three quarters of a case!!!!”

1. All five questions have to be answered correctly, and correlate with the answer that 'Google' supplies (they are his questions).
2. The first person with the correct 5 answers, will get as a result of their hard work, a six pack of beer (brand depending), to which 'Google' may agree to. The catch is that everyone only has 1 week from when the Eagle Eye is released to submit their answers otherwise it jackpots to the next Edition of the Eagle Eye.
3. If they are under age, lolly water.
4. The answers to the questions can be given by a direct phone call to 'Google'. (0400656211), at training or game day.
5. No correspondence will be entered into.
6. Information will be from the web and other (beer caps) scenarios.

### The Questions for this Edition are:

1. How many people attended the Super Northies Trivia night on Feb 6 2010? (Suck eggs if you weren't there)!
2. Who was the Major sponsor on the Night. (Trick Question)
3. How much money was handed over from Andrew Grimmatt’s Table?
4. What was the name of Steve Moore's counting assistant?
5. What was the Colour of Lara Bingles Evening Gown at the Allan Border Medal?

"That's right Trivia"

Good Luck Remember you only have a maximum of 1 week to answer the questions,  
Stephen ‘The Googling Google’ Moore





## What would happen if...

What would happen if Leigh Gibson were to captain an eleven of his choice against an eleven of temporary Paul Stephens' choice and the teams were as follows:

### Leigh's Larrikins

1. Leigh Gibson
2. Seb Blasczcyk
3. Victor Gnanadurai
4. Myron Meates
5. Steve Moore
6. Luan Dang
7. Brendan Eichholzer
8. Andrew Grimmett
9. Tristan Du Toit
10. Tim Halvarsen
11. Daniel Stephens
12. Cody Stephens

### Stepho's Soldiers

1. Paul Stephens
2. Rowan Thompson
3. Gordon McGurk
4. Brock Winkler
5. Kyle Piper
6. Gavin McDonald
7. Liam Greenwood
8. Steve Grimmett
9. Ryan Bissell
10. Bruce Mikkelsen
11. Dennis Axelby
12. Allan Hall

The best match report for this match gets their report put in the next Eagle Eye and a 6 pack from yours truly. Good Luck and Happy Writing. Remember you must use everyone's name at least once to qualify.

