

THE RAMPAGE

Ambrose Golf Day 2012

Many of us wish we had packed some gumboots as we competed in the annual Ambrose golf day at a very wet and muddy Morack Golf Course last

Sunday. The clouds looks threatening but the weather held off long enough for us to finish a round of 18 and catch up for a BBQ at the 19th. It was a close one this year with all teams having solid rounds. Scores for the day



Winners 56.37 Nett

Sean Pascoe
Brendan Dale
Adrian Berka
Cameron Webb

2nd - 57.50 Nett

Mick Ward
Dennis Ward
Adam Coll

3rd - 58.50 Nett

Julian Powell
Tony Hickey
Stephan Curtis
Neville Lee-Archer

4th - 59.50 Nett

Kevin Pumpa
Graham Vallance
Shayne Holien
Peter Whitworth

5th - 61.50 Nett

Adam Friend
Adam Holien
Kirk &
Luke Butler

Longest Drive Hole 12 – Cameron Webb

Julian smashed a drive in the 1st group to be knocked off by a fellow team mate in Tony Hickey which went some 20 metres past his drive. Not looking likely to be knocked off with Tony's monster the 5th group hit 2 past this mark with Cam Webb passing Tony's drive by around 10 metres. Well done Cam it was a great hit off the tee.

Closest the Pins Par 3's

Hole 4- Shayne Holien
Hole 6- Kevin Pumpa
Hole 10- Adam Coll
Hole 13- Cameron Webb
Hole 16- Adrian Berka

"Thanks to all that attended the day it was great fun as usual. The weather was very kind to us today with no rain & no wind. A nice BBQ to finish off the round for all attending. As expected the course was a bit wet with all the rain of late & particularly this month in general but with the above results from the day there was definitely good scoring on the course to be had. Adjust to the conditions was the key to success." Julian Powell



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Senior Vote Count Night 2012 – Saturday 25th August

25th August is the date of the Senior Vote Count for 2012. All 4 teams with a winner from each grade as voted by the umpires throughout the season. As usual this is one of our biggest Club nights so please make yourselves available. Continuing on with tradition, vote count is after the last round of games. (Unfortunately all Senior teams have away games this year). 7pm start with meal available @ \$10 per head. Drinks at reduced function prices &. Ladies 1st drink free (Champagne or white wine).

Junior Presentation Night – Friday 31st August

The junior presentation this year will be held on **Friday August 31st** at the **Sonix Laser Strike Family Entertainment Centre** (Fletcher Road, Chirnside Park). 7:30pm start, cost \$25 per head which includes 3 games of laser tag followed by presentations and dinner. Advise John ASAP the number attending for each member (friends and family welcome to attend).

Senior Presentation Night 2012 – Friday 21st September

The Senior Presentation this year will be held on **Friday September 21st** at the **Eastwood Golf Club** (Liverpool Road, Kilsyth Sth). 7:30pm start. Cost \$40 per head which includes a 3 course meal. Drinks at bar prices. Please save this important date in your calendars. Advise Julian ASAP the number attending for each member (friends and family welcome). A deposit of \$20 per head would be appreciated to secure your seat & for catering purposes. Deposits to Stephan or Julian at the canteen so a receipt can be issued. Please also advise any particular dietary requirements for the evening. Raffles will be held on the night with some great prizes on offer. Looking forward to seeing you all on the night.

Famous Quotes



"The great thing about baseball is when you're done, you'll only tell your grandchildren the good things. If they ask me about 1989, I'll tell them I had amnesia." - Sparky Anderson

"Walt Johnson had a fastball that looked about the size of a watermelon seed and it hissed at you as it passed." Ty Cobb

"The only way to pitch George Brett is way inside. That way you can force him to pull the ball and the line drive won't hit you." - Rudy May



Rampage Trivia

Earlier this year, Which 2 brothers became the first in MLB history to both hit their 100th career home run on the same day of the same season?

a) Erick and Willy Aybar

b) Jerry & Scott Hairston

d) Chris & Shelley Duncan

e) Adam & Andy LaRoche

c) Justin & BJ Upton



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On This Date 18th August

1962 - The game against Baltimore is delayed twice when Indians' starting pitcher Pedro Ramos is asked to change his uniform, with the right-hander complying to the request by first changing his shirt, then returning to the Memorial Stadium locker room for a different jersey and hat. The umpires suspect the Cleveland right-hander is doctoring the baseball.



1972 - After playing in 414 games & accumulating over 1500 at-bats, Phillies' shortstop Larry Bowa hits his first major league home run, an inside-the-park round-tripper at Veterans Stadium. The 26 year-old infielder, who will go deep only 15 times in his 16-year career, will not hit a homer over a wall until the beginning of the 1974 season.



1982 - Passing Hank Aaron, Pete Rose becomes the all-time leader in plate appearances when he steps up the plate for the 13,941st time.



1989 - The Orioles' Cal Ripken passes Steve Garvey for the third longest consecutive games streak by playing his 1,208th straight game.



1998 - Greg Maddux wins his 200th career game as the Braves beat the Giants, 8-4. All of Atlanta's nine hits in the game were doubles.

2000 - Tim Salmon becomes the franchise leader in home runs with his fourth-inning solo shot off Roger Clemens in the Angels' eventual 9-8 extra-inning victory over New York at Yankee Stadium. The Anaheim DH's 223rd career round-tripper surpasses Brian Downing's total, who had established the Halo mark in 1990.



2006 - Blanking the Mariners for seven innings at Angel Stadium, Jered Weaver joins Whitey Ford (Yankees, 1950) to become only the second American League rookie to begin a career with nine straight victories as a starter. The 23-year old Angel hurler will need to win his next four games to match Hooks Wiltse (Giants, 1904) who started his freshman season with 13 consecutive wins.

2006 - Alfonso Soriano becomes the third player in big league history to compile four seasons of 30 homers and 30 stolen bases. With his second inning swipe of second base in a 6-4 victory over the Phillies, the Nationals outfielder joins Barry and Bobby Bonds in accomplishing the feat for the fourth time.



2007 - Micah Owings, with two home runs, a double and a single, compiles 11 total bases in the Diamondbacks' 12-6 victory over the Braves, the most for a hurler since Braves right-hander Jim Tobin had 12 with his three homers in 1942. In addition to driving in six runs and scoring four times, the Arizona rookie tosses seven innings of three-hit ball to win his sixth game of the season.

2011 - Mike Jacobs becomes the first professional baseball player to be suspended for testing positive for human growth hormone. The 30-year-old



Game Results Round 15 – 04/08/12

Croydon 1st's lost to GMBC 5 - 4

Well the game's end didn't reflect the boys efforts. We played very solid ball all game with hits and bunts at key times, moving and scoring runners while the defence and pitching was tight. Adrian pitched great and held the GMBC boys to next to nothing. BJ and Grant combined to get a sneaky runner trying to take third. Sometimes in baseball when you play long enough the game just doesn't go your way, but its how you come back the next game and the next game.

Don't get down boys, a great effort. Daryn Cassidy

Other Games

GMBC	5
Croydon	4

Heathmont	16
Melbourne Uni	0

Greensborough	3
Watsonia	0

Research	9
Knox	3

North Balwyn	0
Ringwood	10

Croydon 2nd's lost to GMBC 13 - 4

We were never really in this one. Their lead off hit a home run and they batted pretty well all day. Unfortunately we didnt get the bats going and it was a pretty one sided game. A bit disappointing but good that we beat them last time and ended up square on the year. Tony Hickey

Other Games


GMBC	13
Croydon	4

Heathmont	10
Melbourne Uni	6

Greensborough	6
Watsonia	2

Research	0
Knox	26

North Balwyn	14
Ringwood	17



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Croydon 3rd's lost to Monash Uni 20 - 5

With a massive hitting battle last time we played Monash Uni, we were looking for another great contest, this time with some new faces in the team, Cam and Dave. But it was not to be. We started the game with a run, but our bats were never to be found. Monash had stolen them from us. 6 unearned runs, two home runs and a sea of green graced the pages. Monash's pages. 15 hits to 7. It was very disappointing. Everyone was trying, but we just couldn't get it together.

With 2 games to go, I hope we can try and finish this season on a high. We all deserve it. Matt, Cam and Joel got a hit and Adam and Lana got two for the day.
Adam Friend

Other Games

Monash Uni	20
Croydon	5

Westgarth	4
Mitchell Majors	6

Bundoora	4
Upwey FTG	11

Forest Hill	0
Knox	9

Doncaster	12
Research	3

Croydon 4th's lost to Glen Iris 16 - 0

As you can see by the score this was not one of our better games. Our pitching was good and our fielding was fine, in general our defence was OK. But our batting was terrible with only five hits for the game. Hopefully we will come away from this game with a more positive approach to our batting next time.

Thanks to Sean Balkin for scoring and Phu for umpiring. Mick Ward

Other Games

Glen Iris	16
Croydon	0

Westgarth	10
Mitchell Majors	4

Bundoora	0
Upwey	9

Forest Hill	6
Knox	12

Doncaster	4
Research	14



Junior Game Results 4th August 2012

Croydon U15's lost to Forest Hill 13 - 3

I seem to say it just about every week but again the score didn't reflect the game. From the start of the game it was a close battle, we'd score, they'd score, we'd score and found ourselves tied around 3/4 into the game. Unfortunately like we've done a little too often this year, we couldn't keep it up for the whole game and Forest Hill found the bats and started piling on runs to make a late charge to beat us by 10. You can see every week that all of the guys are getting a little better at something which is all you can ask for guys playing their first year so keep your heads up, enjoy your summer (good luck to you guys playing over summer) and hopefully I'll see you all back next season. Dennis Ward

Other Games

Croydon	3
Forest Hill	13

Knox	1
North Balwyn	9

(bye)	0
Ringwood	0

Croydon U13's Major lost to Ringwood 11 - 1

NO REPORT

Other Games

North Balwyn Hornets	7
North Balwyn Wasps	14

Croydon	1
Ringwood	11

03/08/2012 When the Arizona Diamondbacks Justin Upton and Tampa Bay Rays B.J. Upton went deep on this date, they became the first pair of brothers in Major League history to each hit their 100th career home runs on the same day and in the same season.

Trivia Answer
c) Justin & BJ Upton

Game Results Round 16 – 11/08/12

Croydon 1st's drew with Greensborough 1 - 1

The weather was shit but our heart was big as the Rams started the game well and led the whole way up to the end. Adrian back on the hill threw his guts out and bought his bat with 2 big nocks when needed. Carrie got snipered rounding third but he was ok. Defence was solid again and we have really come along way from the start of the season with that. In the end we had to make some changes and tried to give ourselves the best shot to win. However the luck was as bad as the weather and we held onto to a draw. Could have been better, could have been worse, either way be proud knowing that the Rams are giving the big teams a SCARE!!!! good job. Daryn Cassidy

Other Games

Ringwood	w/o	Knox	w/o	Watsonia	3
GMBC	w/o	Heathmont	w/o	Research	10

Croydon	1	Melbourne Uni	0
Greensborough	1	North Balwyn	15

	Team	P	W	L	D	PTS	FOR	AG	%
1	Research	16	13	2	1	27	119	55	684
2	Heathmont	16	10	3	3	23	112	75	599
3	Ringwood	16	9	4	3	21	95	62	605
4	GMBC	16	6	5	5	17	88	57	607
5	Knox	16	5	5	6	16	57	64	471
6	Greensborough	16	5	7	4	14	90	85	514
7	Watsonia	16	4	7	5	13	41	61	402
8	North Balwyn	16	5	10	1	11	51	76	402
9	Croydon	16	4	9	3	11	55	82	402
10	Melbourne University	16	3	12	1	7	43	134	243

Croydon 2nd's defeated Greensborough 12 - 6

We had a draw with these guys at home last round after leading for most of the game but thankfully we didn't give up the lead this time we just kept on batting, taking walks and coming up with two out hits. We scored 12 runs in four innings and Dennis held them to six. A really good win for us especially since they had won their last five games, beating Knox, GMBC, Heathmont, Watsonia and North Balwyn. Tony Hickey

Other Games

Ringwood	0
GMBC	0

Knox	0
Heathmont	0

Watsonia	5
Research	4

Croydon	12
Greensborough	6

Melbourne Uni	10
North Balwyn	11

	Team	P	W	L	D	PTS	FOR	AG	%
1	Knox	16	10	4	2	22	141	57	712
2	Ringwood	16	10	4	2	22	110	86	561
3	GMBC	16	9	4	3	21	117	88	571
4	Watsonia	16	8	5	3	19	89	68	567
5	Heathmont	16	9	6	1	19	120	109	524
6	Greensborough	16	8	7	1	17	91	85	517
7	Croydon	16	6	8	2	14	112	116	491
8	North Balwyn	16	5	11	0	10	86	133	393
9	Melbourne University	16	5	11	0	10	79	134	371
10	Research	16	3	13	0	6	71	140	337

Upcoming Games For the 1st's and 2nd's

TODAY – Croydon vs Research (HOME)

25/08/12 – Croydon vs Heathmont (AWAY)

Croydon 3rd's washed out vs Westgarth**Other Games**

Research	18
Bundoora	5

Mitchell Majors	14
Forest Hill	10

Croydon	w/o
Westgarth	w/o

Knox	1
Doncaster	13

Upwey FTG	6
Monash Uni	13

	Team	P	W	L	D	PTS	FOR	AG	%
1	Upwey FTG	15	10	2	3	23	76.7	178	59
2	Doncaster	14	10	3	1	21	75	160	54
3	Research	15	8	5	2	18	60	140	102
4	Westgarth	15	7	5	3	17	56.7	129	101
5	Mitchell Majors	15	7	6	2	16	53.3	130	112
6	Bundoora	15	7	6	2	16	53.3	94	100
7	Forest Hill	15	7	7	1	15	50	96	133
8	Knox	14	4	9	1	9	32.1	71	148
9	Monash University	15	4	11	0	8	26.7	129	224
10	Croydon	15	2	12	1	5	16.7	82	176

Croydon 4th's washed out vs Westgarth**Other Games**

Research	23
Bundoora	3

Mitchell Majors	11
Forest Hill	17

Croydon	w/o
Westgarth	w/o

Knox	4
Doncaster	9

Upwey	3
Glen Iris	27

	Team	P	W	L	D	PTS	FOR	AG	%
1	Doncaster	14	12	1	1	25	145	88	622
2	Research	15	11	2	2	24	191	88	685
3	Glen Iris	15	10	4	1	21	213	86	712
4	Upwey	15	7	3	5	19	132	108	550
5	Knox	15	9	6	0	18	148	111	571
6	Westgarth	15	5	7	3	13	101	116	465
7	Croydon	15	4	9	2	10	60	114	345
8	Bundoora	15	5	10	0	10	100	201	332
9	Forest Hill	15	4	11	0	8	136	184	425
10	Mitchell Majors	15	0	13	2	2	91	223	290

Upcoming Games For the 3rd's & 4th's

TODAY – Croydon vs Forest Hill (HOME)

25/08/12 – Croydon vs Doncaster (AWAY)

Junior Game Results 11th August 2012

Croydon U15's had a bye

NO REPORT - U15's had a bye

Other Games

(bye)	0
Croydon	0

Forest Hill	14
Knox	0

North Balwyn	7
Ringwood	2

	Team	P	W	L	D	Bye	PTS	FOR	AG	%
1	North Balwyn	13	9	3	1	2	19	113	89	559
2	Forest Hill	12	8	2	2	3	18	126	47	728
3	Ringwood	12	5	6	1	3	11	101	104	493
4	Knox	13	5	7	1	2	11	66	85	437
5	Heathmont	2	2	0	0	0	4	38	2	950
6	Croydon	12	0	11	1	3	1	55	172	242

Croydon U13's Major lost to North Balwyn Hornets 11 - 7

NO REPORT

Other Games

Croydon	7
North Balwyn Hornets	11

Ringwood	18
North Balwyn Wasps	4

	Team	P	W	L	D	PTS	FOR	AG	%	Win
1	Ringwood	14	12	2	0	24	169	74	696	85.7
2	North Balwyn Wasps	13	6	6	1	13	118	130	476	50
3	Croydon	14	6	8	0	12	96	108	471	42.9
4	North Balwyn Hornets	14	3	10	1	7	99	163	378	25
5	Heathmont	1	0	1	0	0	9	16	360	0

Upcoming Games For the U13's

TODAY 2nd Semi-final – Croydon vs Nth Balwyn Wasps (AWAY)

25/08/12 – Croydon U13's in Grand Final if we win Semi-final