



The Bear Pause

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C2 Bear Brett Gordon works with a young slugger during last Sunday's Try Baseball Day.



F Troop manager Mark Holman explains the finer points of the game to an eager swarm of youngsters. "If the ball goes out there... run after it as fast as you can... then gasp for air... then run a bit more..."

Missed Try Baseball Day? Another Chance This Sunday.

Last Sunday approximately 40 children between the ages of 5 and 10 came down to Flat Rock to learn some Baseball and T-Ball skills. It was great morning which was beneficial for both the kids and the senior players who were helping out.

It is on again this Sunday morning at Flat Rock. We are expecting most of the same kids from last week plus several new ones. And word would have surely passed around the parents and schools about how professional an outfit we looked last Sunday.

Senior players will get a \$10 discount off their next registration (Summer or winter) for 1 day's help and \$30 discount for 2 days. Please email Michael Hagarty on mhagarty@optusnet.com.au as to your availability to help out this Sunday from 8:30am-11:30am.

Wine Fundraiser To Benefit Yvette Miller's USA Trip.

Yvette Miller, a Bears Senior Player, has been selected to tour the USA with the Aussie Hearts Baseball team which is basically the level beneath the National Side. As part of this, Yvette is raising money through a wine fundraising event. You can find the order form attached and please consider contributing to Yvette's cause!

Willing drunkards can Fax the form back to Yvette on 9264 9482 or give the form to her at training on any Thursday Night before Friday 19th of August. (You've only got one more!)

C2 Bears Start Playoffs This Saturday Against Castle Hill At Auluba Oval (North Turramurra)



C2 slugger Colin Edwin connects to drive in one of his 3 RBIs in last week's win v. Castle Hill

As you may or may not be aware, we have a team in the semi finals this weekend. The C2 Bears led by Darren Llewellyn and Paul Van der Westhuizen will be playing this Saturday at Auluba Oval (Kissing Point Road, Turramurra) at 12:30 pm against Castle Hill.

Please come down and watch the sole surviving Bears in their attempt to make it to the grand final against North Ryde RSL. Hope to see plenty of Bears there!



Bears pitcher Adam "Barto" Barton chucks the rock in a rare C1 appearance.

C2 Bears Hold Aces Up Sleeve

The C2 Bears closed out the regular season with a confidence building win over their semi-final opponents, Castle Hill. In a game where neither side wanted to show their "A" game, it was the Bears solid fielding and batting that supported the inspired pitching of Doc and Spud.

The final score of 10-6 was set up with a 3rd inning rally of 7 runs from the Bears that consisted of aggressive base-running and patience at the plate. Stars with the bat were Col (2-3, 3 RBI), Rich (1-2, 2 RBI) and Jim (1-2, 1 RBI).

It was a sad end for the C1 Bears, coming up against the finals bound Greenway. The side consisted of the NSW U/16 squad who are about to embark on a trip to China. Their skill (and young legs) were too much on the day, and they posted a 15-0 win. It was a frustrating day with only 5 batters reaching base (1 hit, 1 walk, 1 error and 2 HBP).

The pitching of Barto, Badger and Hags toiled hard in short stints but were unable to stem the flow of runs. Cookey was the standout on the mound with a single hit off 2 strong innings, restoring confidence for the game next week.

A reminder to all that the C2 Bears take on Castle Hill for a place in the Grand Final at Auluba (North Turramurra) this Saturday from 12:30 pm. Be sure to come along and support the C2 Bears.

News And Notes

Summer Baseball

The Summer Baseball Registration Kit is now online at www.northsydneybaseball.com.au for all of you that are intending to play in the upcoming season. Please attend to this ASAP and forward them through to the address provided or bring to training with you. Training will continue to be on a Thursday night between 8 pm and 10 pm until the AFL season finishes then will be 7 pm-9 pm.

Every player needs to have all paperwork and fees attended to previous to playing your 1st game, as you will not be registered until all is completed.

Members of the North Sydney Baseball are all aware they need to be a member of the Leagues Club previous to this date as well and the registration package outlines ways to attain this.

There will be no AA competition this Summer so all of the AA Players returning will be coming back to A Grade. It is intended that we will have a tryout day for the A Grade Squad in the next few weeks for anyone who is interested. A date is yet to be confirmed but will be sent out as we know about it.

Presentation Night

Cliff is in negotiations with a few different venues at the present moment re: where to have the presentation night. It is likely to be on the afternoon of Sunday 28th August but will keep you informed as we confirm. On that note, all team managers are requested to get details of your 2 team awards to Cliff ASAP on cliffvillaruel@hotmail.com We definitely needs these by Monday 15th August to get time to engrave them.

Flat Rock Ground Changes

After the 14th of August the Willoughby Council are attending to some minor ground alterations down at the Flat Rock Baseball Diamond. They are bringing the grass in the infield to the foul lines (i.e. Yankee Stadium) and decreasing the amount of dolerite areas around the bases to a 4m radius. This is all in an attempt to keep the ground in playable condition during wet weeks of the years. It will be unavailable for use until the 1st game of the season on September 17th.

AGM

As previously stated the Baseball Club AGM is down for 7:30 pm on Wednesday 17th August in the Kameraigal Room at North Sydney Leagues. I would encourage all of you to attend and if anyone is interested in running for office, we would welcome you with open arms.



C1 Bears Michael Hagarty and Jason Cooke in action against Greenway on Sunday.

In The Next Issue:

Want to submit something for the next issue of The Bear Pause?

Submissions: Jim Strachan 0404843569 jim.strachan@patts.com.au



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