



# The Sporting News

Winter Baseball 2015 Newsletter #20

## OH THE CONTROVERSIES!

**Entering into uncharted waters this week with all three teams into round one of the playoffs.**

**We managed to upset Mr. Grumpy who wanted to do an early game for F grade Castle Hill, but we couldn't field a team if it was early!**

**We won!**

**Take it a way A.T.....**

Well into the semis playing Archers, the same team we belted the week before.

Starting strong in the first inning with hit after hit piling on 6 runs. A few innings of low scoring with a few runners left on base saw the score out to 8-1.

Strong pitching from LJ never allowed them into the game

The score ballooned to 13-2 before we had one of our innings with a few errors. Overcame them, however, and

Jackson finished off the game with a 13-5 win

Well done boys - lets keep the momentum going into Hawkesbury next week

Thanks Wil for umpiring and Lochy for being base umpire

## G3WEST

**Adam is always so mature and diplomatic but Showbags forever lets it rip.....**

We travelled down to St.Mary's to play the undefeated Cardinals.

We started strongly with Mark on the mound and getting some early runs.

After 4 digs it was 4-2 to us and they where getting shirty. There was all sorts of

Hootin and a-Hollarin from our dug out as we where having loads of fun.

There where a few errors and some hit and miss batting innings but we held strong.

Mark pitched deep into the game but was tiring so with loaded bases and the game tied at 4-4

Showbags stepped up to the mound. After a 4 pitch walk and a hit by pitch they went ahead 6-4.

Rosco had dislocated his knee coming home in the last dig but didn't count as a run but was in serious doubt of not continuing and would cause an automatic out. We got 1 run back but with 2 dead, Rosco had to bat. Knee strapped and a heart as big as Phar lap got him to the plate. Alas he popped up and side away....

There is always next week. We play Penrith to make the Grand Final.

Rosco is still out of favour though as No Showing a game when your on Beer duties is inexcusable.

Quote of the week goes to Owen on Sunday for trying out my Southern Carolina Chilli paste rated at 2.2 million skofels.He was like its not too bad then 1 min later ..... MIIIIIIILK !!!!! Even Sunlaya (who is Thai and loves chilli ) was in shock of the potency.

Hilarious.

Great to see all the kids running around and we will have another bbq at a later date when everyone is free.



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## .....let me explain the other controversy!

A few weeks back , amongst a few others we believe we were forfeited against by the Mackillop Beachy team. I have been chasing the SMBL to correct the game result with them ( 4 attempts ). Finally Mr. Grumpy corrects and on Friday night Mackillop challenges it! Wil and I went into a frenzy of email reading and double checking both personal and work emails for the original notice. We could not produce the email, so I emailed the SMBL saying so and apologised. As a result we were down-graded to 3rd again this meant that Mackillop had to travel to Plumpton ( 1 ) and Plumpton ( 2 ) had to come up to us. Emails were full of the usual innuendo and accusation, saying that we cost him \$15 Dollars in phone call from Japan to sort it out. Nice problem for some! Ah there—vented!!!!

### Oh yes and then there was a baseball game!

The Blue Mountains Royals continued their finals dream on Saturday when they took on and pulled the pants down of Plumpton 2 at beautiful Lomatia. Stevie D aligned his auras with Gia's ley lines at the mound and took to the Plumpton batting line up like a Rugby Team at an all you can eat fried chicken buffet. Plumpton's first innings pitching was as inspiring as three day old coleslaw, with their starting pitcher being quickly intimidated by the steely good looks of our Master and Commander. Bedazzled by our skill, the pitcher reverted to the age old tactic of 'plunking' our batting line-up. Jobbo took one for the team and Clarkey made fantastic use of his nipple to stop a fast ball before Julie cropped a stinger and charged the mound! Benches were cleared but not before Julie fed the pitcher a knuckle sandwich and then it was on! A Wild crazy riot of fists and helmets with Julie getting the pitcher on the ground in a nuclear squirrel grip ...! ..... sigh ..'tis but a dream. ... but a dream. Poor kid pitcher lost his mojo and hit everyone but the catcher and was politely chucked. From then on the Royals were more dominant than Madam Lash at an afterhours lawyer's party and runs rolled in. Our eye catching and beautifully proportioned opening catcher tried to enter his name in the 'foul ball hall of fame' while Beachy paused from being fed grapes and having his nails manicured by Softball NSW selectors to crack a centre-field line drive with such power that the Plumpton outfield needed counseling to get them back to the dugout. Pete was, again, but a blur of colour and ponytail around the bases and at one stage running the bases in both directions while laughing haughtily at the 'so called' Fly ball rule. Jobbo's fake bunt (or was it a missed bunt ...?!) was a standout, though no more standing for our first baseman who appears to have snapped his foot off. Lochy and our hirsute closing catcher took over and dispatched the team and the game. 11-3 to the magnificent Royals. !

**Yes we have lost Mike for the season ( similar foot injury to your old one Eddy ).**

**And I promise to try to slide Wil.**

**Thanks to Wil and Adam for umpiring our game and full marks to Plumpton, they are such good sportsmen and fun to boot.**

**So in the end Blue Mtns 2—Mr. Grumpy 0**

**That 'll come back to bite me!**



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**SO FURTHER WE PRESS ON—  
Round 2—the elimination finals!  
F grade v Hawksbury @ Kellyville 2.45  
G3 WEST v Penrith @ Monfartville 12.15  
H grade v Plumpton 1 @ Melrose 12.15**

A big special thanks to Cate Moon for doing the Canteen at Lomatia last week. One day we will figure out the Coffee machine girl!

**Another Lad does good.**

Alex, stepson of Luke Ognibene (former BM Baseball VP), former BM softball junior and similar to Beachy moved on to Penrith then Dandenong Baseball Club has been selected to attend the MLB Baseball Academy on the Gold Coast. A grand achievement indeed!  
Congratulations!

## **Now for the Boring bits!**

Saturday week is the Barb Povic Dinner evening for our club, Most of you are going who is he on about and that 's cool. BUT if you intend to come and haven 't told anyone please let me know by 11am tomorrow as I have to have to the final numbers in then.

Yes, yes I know you optimists that it is grand final night—but I can do two things at once.

(Really Jen I can )

**LISMORE MASTERS—Registration closes this Friday—HURRY UP!!!**

Ma2t is in , LJ is in, why not you –come on Pete.

**BASEBALL PRESENTATION—26TH SEPTEMBER—BE THERE.**

What you hanging around here for?

The quote was in G3—go on get outa here!