



# BLUE MOUNTAINS BASEBALL Winter 2020

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## Back to baseball and other stuff!

Game 3 of the season, no rain - no worries!!

**AT's team headed to Corbin (too much fun!)**

Rd 1

The start of a new season saw some new boys come in and join some old boys. The average age of the team increased to give the team plenty of experience.

Todd took to the mound, throwing to Brad behind the plate, Steve at 3rd, Foz patrolling short, Glenn at 2nd, Randy at first, Ed at left field, Adam in centre (not a good move, where is the ball?? oh there it is, Brett in right and Jade DH.

First inning Todd created 5 outs with a few errors not helping but got out of the inning with giving up any runs

Unfortunately, the offence didn't eventuate, Quakers scored seven runs in the third inning with a few more errors not helping our cause

Bottom of the 3rd and skipper AT limped off after trying to reach 3rd on a triple, turning 2nd and the sniper got him. Bang hamstring goooooone

Todd gave up 10 runs, 2 earned. Stats show errors killed us, along with 11 of the 13 runs being scored with 2 outs. A few hard hit balls and lots of errors.

They scored 13 we allow had 2 cross the play.

Positive light new bit Randy lines 2 hits in a positive debut. Brett Phelan took a couple of pitches in his back and will have a few nice bruises to welcome his return back to baseball and was on the pitcher's mound for an inning also. Steve threw an inning late, but it wasn't to be.

Foz also plunked Kate at umpire behind the mound with a throw over from 3rd. Thanks for umpiring Kate. Hope you're ok. Also, thanks to Karen for scoring our game.

Game one can only improve from there

Round 3 saw us travel to Corbin after a week off due to rain. All 10 boys lined up again, though a few injuries to the old boys already not looking good. Perhaps a week off this week due to forecast rain may help

Game started well with us scoring 1 in the first to their none. They then scored 2 in the 2nd to make it 2-1 and the yo-yo began.

A few errors and they got out to 6-1 before we fought back to 6-5. The 9-5, turned to 9-7. Finally a 13-9 score line against.

A much better related game. Certainly, in it for long periods. An error or 2. A key hit goes our way and result could have changed. A few stolen bases from 16-year old's. Too young no brains, even a steal of home made Todd not a happy chappy.

Onto next week at Royal Lomatia. Maybe we it's not a lake with 20-40mm forecast. We will see if we need to bring out the canoes!!!



## **G3 North – Daves boys to the bistro!**

G3 North took on Rouse Hill on Saturday.

We started the game a bit rusty as a few errors crept in. Our Turn to bat and a few solids hit then James hit an inside the park homer! We really warmed up after that first dig and kept them fairly quiet. Some more solid batting with triples to Adam and Brett. Solid effort by everyone. Bring on the next one!

(Editor's note -They then proceeded to skull Great Northern's and heckle the G3 West game!!!!!!!!!!)



## **What was once H grade is now G3 and the potential is a slaughter!**

Game one was on or hallowed turf at Lomatia beginning with a dirt frenzy as the soil was only delivered and spread on the morning! Great working bee for all attendees and thanks to all involved.

Playing a Penriff team of great guys we got shucked 18-3 but lessons learned were – when they use a learner pitcher -score, score, score!

When you are rusty - laugh it off!

Only 8 on the day (plus a penny outfielder), but lots of heart and some good comedic turns from Shannon and an awesome catching stint from Tommy.

Poor Nikki -I guilted her into playing - thanks!

Game 3 – more like it. We tried out our all-star pitching staff of Jobbo, Phil and Matty. Nikki and Cate had A blinder of a game, Stevie Beard entertained and we almost made it -losing 13-12. Love a nail biter!

Again, great team from QH loaning us an outfielder without asking!

Next week a full team on deck and the return of the awesome DUDE!



This week G3 West (H) and FI/ G1 are at Lomatia 12.15 and 2.30 respectively,

Kurt's Marauders are at Andrews v Pussy Cats! At 12.15!

Best of British to you all!



## **The Annual General Meeting of the Blue Mountains Baseball and Softball Club**

For the first time our AGM was held at the Royal Hotel, Springwood,  
All the usual recalitrants were present (plus Pete) and the results were as follow: -

President - Wil Maartensz (returning)

Steve Leiter - Treasurer (returning)

Cate Moon – Secretary (new to the position)

Vice president Baseball – Dave Brodie (returning)

Vice President Softball – Steve Beard (new to the position)

Registrar Baseball – Kurt Scheinflug (returning)

Registrar Softball - Nikki Scheinflug (new to the position)

**Congratulation to all especially to the newbie – welcome!**

Thank you to Ben Palmer, your service to the BMB&SC was very much  
appreciated.



## **And now to the new “C” word – COVID 19**

You may have noticed at Royal Lomatia this season that, in line with the rest  
of the country, we have been required by BBNSW to comply with many  
regulations at our grounds.

Thank you to Adam Thomas for stepping up and being our official COVID  
officer and for springing into action so quickly.

Sanitizer is supplied on ground, please be mindful of others.

Below is a cut and paste of what we are required to do.



It is still strongly suggested that all participants:

- Prepare or dress for sport at home;
- Shower at home before and after sport;
- Bring hand wash or sanitizer to wash/sanitize your hands before and after sport;
- Bring their own drink bottle, towel etc.;
- Avoid unnecessary contact (i.e. shaking hands, 'high fives' etc.);
- If required, changing or putting on gear before and/or after sport should be done in, or near to, your own vehicle – or elsewhere away from the playing area;
- All equipment (particularly if touched by hands) should be wiped clean afterwards (e.g. balls, temporary goals etc.);

At a minimum there shall be adherence as per the above referred NSW Department of Health Public Order



To this we will add: -

- 1/ Please sign in on entry and encourage all others to do the same
- 2/ You must bring your own helmet
- 3/ Please leave the grounds as soon as possible after your game.



Lastly, your opinion please.

We the exalted high and almost all-knowing committee, with new addition Nikki, have a quandary for you to ponder.

What to do as a Presentation night this (shorter) season.

The 7 of us had 7 differing opinions so we decided to go democratic and ask you - the playing staff of this fine association for your opinions.

Should we do it as usual (Royal) or a BBQ at the park (or your place) or even nothing. All suggestions considered and weighed up.

In the same vein, awards -the usual or a simpler version or zip!

Talk to your coach – tell him what you really think!!!!

Till next week – PLAY BALL!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!