



THE WANDERER WHISPER

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Five senior sides again!

After a season's hiatus it's great to see the Wanderers once again fielding five sides in the senior competition. With the influx of new recruits, graduating Under 16's to senior ranks and juniors available to play in senior teams, our numbers swelled to a very healthy 63 available for the last round of matches. It augurs well for not only this season but the coming seasons too. A situation such as this puts the onus on all players to perform because there will be plenty of selection pressure with such numbers keen for a game. The Whisper is also informed our Under 16's now have three sides as well – a club first for this age group.

New Wanderers

Speaking of new players to the Wanderers club, we welcome the arrival of the following new playing members – Tony Purcell, Chris Miles, Dylan Perera, Peter McLaughlin, Ryan Czernecky, Richard Henderson, Tom Parsons and Nick Trucano. Along with the imminent return of such old stagers as Matt Butcher, Ethan Groves and Andrew Collauti, the club is sure to have a wealth of talent at its disposal at each level of the club. Names of other new recruits will be published next issue.

Merchandise update

As each day passes, Chris Groves, our merchandising manager takes possession of a new range of club apparel. Chris displays the new range of stock on the upper walls above the canteen, so if it's there it is now available – this includes hats, caps, match shirts, pants, jumpers, after match and training shirts and shorts. See Chris or Ian Groves for all your needs in this area.

Fat Clubbers

The latest news from our Fat Clubbers is that Dozie has taken the lead in the weight loss stakes and has even been seen bringing down his own fat free cuisines for dinner on training nights. Sadly, we must report that early favourite Bernie made a mess of himself on last Thursday's fish and chip night. The Whisper is sure this was just a 'one-off' slip up. Our money is still on the old fella!!

Melbourne Cup Family Night

This special night on the Wanderers social calendar kicks off at 6.30 this Saturday night at the clubrooms. All Wanderer families and their friends are urged to join in the festivities. At \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 per family, a cheap but great night's entertainment is assured. Price includes a barbecue and a soft drink. All other drinks are at bar prices. The night will include kids races and activities, a phantom race call, sweeps and the famous Wanderer Calcutta.

Membership

Just a short reminder to both junior and senior members to have all your fees paid by Saturday November 20. This is the cut off day for all payments. See Ian Groves if you have any concerns. If you have paid already and not received your new membership card, it could be waiting for you at the canteen.

Pool Comp

The draw for Doc's pool competition has been completed and the first round of matches have been written up in the clubrooms. Check out to see who you are playing and how this great competition works. The first round of matches will certainly result in some intense struggles as a number of early favourites have been drawn to play each other.

Clubroom edicate

Clubroom staff has passed a message on to the Whisper to remind all senior and junior members to keep our rooms clean and tidy. It's our clubrooms so it is everyone's responsibility to do their bit and clean-up after themselves, replace furniture if it is moved and use the bins as provided.

Butt Out!

While on the question of tidy rooms, a special vote of thanks is extended to BT and Dozie for creating and fixing the new butt-out ashtrays to the posts outside the clubrooms. No more butts on the ground fellas – the ashtrays are now there to use.

Milo Mania

Amazing news arrived from the Junior Milo Program this week. Craig Ondarchie reports that almost 100 signings were taken on the recent registration day – almost double of preceding years. Obviously the in-schools program and the Club brochure sent out through the local newspaper has had a devastating effect. If we can channel just a small percentage of these numbers into our junior team ranks in the coming years our club is sure to be on a very healthy track for a long and prosperous future. Added to that great news, the club has also been awarded the Milo Program 'Club of the Week' for its sterling effort in junior cricket promotion. Well done Big O and the Milo team!

Café New

We can't under-estimate the incredible role Chris and Ian Groves play in this area of club life. Not only does Chris handle our merchandising arm but her service to the club as far as purchasing and stocking our bar, canteen and Café New is nothing short of sensational – flat tyres and all!! We are indeed very fortunate to have such great people looking after such an important part of the club.

Author, Author!!

Phill Harris - the published author. Yes, you heard right. After his exploits of last season in Japan, Phill has just published his memoirs of that extraordinarily memorable year. Entitled 'My Year as a Geisha Boy', Phill retells his amazing adventures in Japan in a humorous light-hearted travelogue style that only Phill could possibly do. Congratulations Phill on your first published book. There is no truth in the rumour that Phill and Bernie are starting up their own personal Author's Club.

Senior Results

Ladder

<p>Money Shield, Round 2: 1st XI 124 & 1/65 lost to Whittlesea 156</p> <p>Man of Match: Brett Temple 7/57. A Stacey 2/45, B Monger 20, AL Mann 19 & 22 no</p> <p>Another poor batting display proved too much to make up for with the ball. BT's spell on the first day was outstanding, taking 5/11 off 10 overs, leaving Whittlesea at 6/26.</p>	<p>1 TU 16</p> <p>2 LS 12</p> <p>3 WH 12</p> <p>4 PH 12</p> <p>9 NE 0</p>
<p>Money Reserve, Round 2: 2nd XI 6 dec 265 defeated Whittlesea 141 & 5/75</p> <p>Man of Match: Dylan Perera 63. M Pasquali 57, S Keane 61no, S Eastwood 28, M Reid 3/35, L McQuilken 3/13</p> <p>Another good win for the 2nds sees them head the Money Reserve ladder. A great man of the match debut by Dylan Perera was the highlight of a solid batting effort, which was then well backed up with the ball.</p>	<p>1 NE 12</p> <p>2 LS 12</p> <p>3 SM 12</p> <p>4 EC 12</p> <p>5 MC 10</p>
<p>D Grade, Round 2: 3rd XI 8/204 defeated Eltham Collegians 184</p> <p>Man of Match: Daniel Capaldo 75. A Crawford 31no, J Crossman 23 & 3/35, R Smith 3/46, J Waters 2/15 off 14 overs.</p> <p>The thirds opened their account after a good team effort with the ball was then well chased down. The batting was built on good partnerships and a brilliant 75 from Daniel Capaldo.</p>	<p>1 HB 16</p> <p>2 RV 12</p> <p>3 EL 12</p> <p>4 YB 12</p> <p>8 NE 6</p>
<p>F Grade, Round 1: 4th XI lost to Thomastown 7/362</p> <p>Man of Match: Craig Ondarchie 52. J Ryan 41, J Stevenson 33, M Stevenson 33</p> <p>Some good batting performances by the top order on a small ground delivered a competitive but not ideal total. This proved easily obtainable by Thomastown.</p>	<p>1 PH 10</p> <p>2 MY 10</p> <p>3 TU 6</p> <p>4 MP 6</p> <p>8 NE 0</p>
<p>G Grade, Round 1: 5th XI defeated Montmorency on Walkover</p>	

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Junior Results

Ladder

U16 (1) Round 2 Walkover from Mernda	1 NE 18
Round 3 NEW 2/132 Def Eltham 125	
James Stevenson 52no, Jesse Waters 36no, Michael D'Agastino 17, James Stevenson 4/21 & Michael D'Agastino 4/19	2 EP 12
	3 RH 12
Great all round efforts from James Stevenson & Michael D'agastino saw us home easily with over 10 overs to spare, which maintained our unbeaten record	4 YB 12
	5 TU 12
U16 (2) Green Round 1 NEW 109 lost to Whittlesea 132	
A disappointing batting effort saw us fail to reach a gettable target set by Whittlesea.	
U16 (2) White Did Not Play this round	
U14 (1) Round 2 NEW 6/177 DEF Mernda 63	1 EP 18
Round 3 NEW 9/93 DEF Eltham 7/59	
Round 2 - Man of Match: Cameron Jordan 5/14. Jack Young 41no, Tom Memmler 31, Mitchell Damiani 25, Matt Ondarchie 3/10	2 NE 18
A comprehensive victory for the boys with Cameron Jordan the start taking 4 wickets in 1 over!	3 YB 18
	4 RH 12
	5 TU 12
Round 2 - Tom Moody 21no, Cameron Jordan 3/14 & Paul Bastin 2/7 After an average battibg effort the 14 1 's lifted in the field , with Cameron Jordan again the star with 3 wickets & getting good support from the skipper, Paul Bastin, with 2 wickets.	
U14 (2) Round 1 NEW 6/157 dec DEF Research 53	1 EP 6
Ryan McLaughlin 23no, Andy Evans 20, Dayne Sweres 20, Tait Forster 14no, Mitchell Anderson 14, Dayne Sweres 2/1, Andy Evans 2/4 & 6/58 Chris Ramlu 4/6	2 NE 6
NEW proved far too good for old foes Research, with a pleasing team effort where every team member contributed at some stage to the win. Ryan moved within 1 run of Peter in the Mclaughlin 'run battle'	3 DC 6
	4 PY 6
	5 SM 3
U14 (3) Round 1 Walkover from Whittlesea	1 DC 10
	2 NE 10
	3 EP 10
	4 RV 6
	5 EL 0
U12 (1) NEW 76 & 1/97 LOST to Research 6/135 dec	
Stephen Cain 15, Nick Vlastuin 32no, Marcus Allen 22no, Jordan Cisek 2/7 A disappointing batting effort in the first innings made like difficult in this game. A better effort in the second dig will hopefully set us on the right track for the remainder of the season	
U12 (2) NEW 90 lost to Research 5/145 cc	
Aaron Lombardo 24 An inexperienced two' s team were unable to match Research, although our early batting was steady, before the boys tried to hit out & lost wickets.	
U12 Development NEW 161 V Eltham 151	
Matt Booth 18, Jamie Maskell 17, Braidon Horkings 12, Luke Rio 12 & Mitch Gneil 10, Thomas Gray 2/10, Luke Sandy 2/7 & Mitchell Gneil 2/1 Some promising performances as these youngsters step up from the mods, coached Jarryd & Rhys reported to be happy with the effort!	