



## BASEBALL CLUB

### Match Reports

Round 5 - 22 October 2011

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#### September Team of the Month! Congratulations to the 9/1's!



**The 9/1 players will enjoy dinner courtesy  
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#### 9/1's - Sharks 33 Vs. Bosco 24

After a month off from playing due to school holidays and a wash out last week and a great training season on Tuesday the 9/1s headed out to Heathcote for our first 9 o'clock game of the season.

We had a shaky start with the bat at the beginning of the first innings but then came Natasha batting at number six to sort us out by belting a great ball and running three bases to bring Harry home. We then batted down to number nine to make it 7 home and Bosco are up to bat. Bosco's second batter hits a home run which reassures us we have a tight game on our hands. Kurtis tries to fix that by getting two outs at 2nd base but it wasn't quite enough and the score is locked in at 7 all.

We're on the edge of our seat again because of our batting. It must that early start! Joshua is out at 2nd base and McKenzie hits a fly ball to the pitcher. Who can we rely on this time to get us out of this mess? Byron decides he is the man for the job hitting a ripper along the ground this time to bring Sam and Natasha home. Score is 14-7. We nut it out in the field for our second innings with the only thing connecting being a play between Joshua at pitcher and McKenzie at 1st base. Bosco get 7 home. Score is now 14 all.

At the start of the third innings we think who can we turn to as Ben unfortunately struck

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himself out. The decision is made. The three Amigos! Reliable Ryan, Big Hitting Kurtis and McKenzie. Game on for these boys with them all hitting a home run. They must have had their Weetbix for breakfast! Score is 21-14. We head into the field and the three Amigos must have been on a high because they proceeded to get three quick outs with Bosco not getting a score on the board and we get a double play. McKenzie tags the first batter running from 1st to 2nd, Kurtis takes a catch at short stop and with his smart thinking throws the ball to Ryan on 1st base for our third out. 21-14 and we have the ball game!

Bosco try to match us when we head out to bat in the fourth innings because they caught a couple of our fly balls but luckily we still got 5 home. Score is now 26-14. We've got a pretty good lead but Bosco still have to bat and their second batter hits another home run. Rebecca switches on in the field and stops a certain home run ground ball at centre field, Sam takes a cracker catch at pitcher, unfortunately one of their players strikes out and McKenzie and Kurtis connect again in the field to get our third out. Score is 26-17.

Rivva is up first to bat at the top of the fifth innings and both teams get seven home with Joshua getting out at second again. The heat of the day is starting to set in and the umpire checks if we have a considerable lead to be able to call time and game after 66 minutes of play. He does and we have another win 33-24.

Player of the Match is Rebecca Thomas for her consistency, McDonald's award goes to Kurtis for leading the way with another home run and the Video Ezy award goes to Byron O'Halloran for his ripper hits.

We hope to see Nik back next week after a weekend at his Grandparents.

Thank you to Coach Paul and Assistant Coach Des for stepping in at short notice as Brian isn't well, Scorer Cindy returning after experiencing the earthquake in Bali and all the parents and supporters who are behind the 9/1s.

Get well soon Brian.

### **14-2 Sharks 21 v Comets 0**

After a few weeks off, it was good to have 9 players to take on Comets this weekend.

Our game plan of keeping the opposition in the field for as long as possible in the heat certainly was a success, with the boys batting through 7 runs each innings, and backing it up in the field with 3 straight innings of dominance in the field...

Although we played a team wrongly graded (now moving to the 14/3's), the boys showed great sportsmanship by allowing the Comets 10<sup>th</sup> batter to face our pitchers in a 4 out last innings...

Excellent patience in the box for the first innings by all the boys, followed by a hitting frenzy proved these boys are a force to be reckoned with.

Even stealing bases with the next base already occupied wasn't a problem for our team!

Congrats Nick Wilcox for your great all round game, and brilliant tag out at third to secure man of the match this week.

See you all at training Tuesday!

Jimmy