

Campbelltown Camden District Cricket Club CELEBRATING 30 SEASONS

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SCA Round 4 v Sydney University CC Day 2

A two hundred run 4th wicket partnership by Sydney University on Saturday took the game away from the Ghosts 1st Grade on a perfect Raby batting wicket. The Ghosts bowlers toiled solidly but were unable to take a wicket until 40 minutes after lunch.

Sydney University batsmen Liam Robertson batted superbly for a total of 193 to shut the Ghosts out of the game.

Wayne Bull ended the day with three wickets when the visitors finally declared at 7/357 and asked the home side to have another bat as they pursued second innings points.

Adam Coyte scored 42 runs in the second innings and when stumps were drawn the Ghosts were 4/97 having suffered a first innings loss to last year's Premiers.

The Ghosts lost 2nd Grade in match that went so close to being won by either side... twice throughout the day. Earlier in the day the locals had come within 8 runs of attaining 1st innings points. Nicky Craze's 52 not out not enough as the Ghosts tail fell around him.

In the second innings the Sydney University captain opened up the game declaring at 5/156. Mitch McGrath taking 2-40 for Campbelltown-Camden on the Sydney University main ground.

The opposing captains sporting declaration had left the Ghosts a tough, but achievable total of 165 to win off 32 overs. Opening batsmen Jaydyn Simmons left no one in doubt that he thought this could be achieved. Simmons hit the ball clean on his way to 89 before he was dismissed in the 31st over. Nicky Craze had added 23 but sadly the Ghosts fell 18 runs short when play was closed at 7 for 147.

A similar game scenario was also set up on Raby # 2 as the Ghosts 3rd Grade, having lost the first innings, attempted to win outright. Captain Michael Baker was again in great touch scoring 84 at the top of the order and his second half century for the

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match. Zac Browne joined the skipper for a 138 run partnership of which he scored 70.

The Ghosts 3rd Grade declared at 3/163 leaving the door open for either side to win outright. The visitors were set a total of 158 and whilst the Ghosts bowlers threatened to go through them the visitors hung on to keep the first innings points and deny Campbelltown- Camden an outright victory.

Josh Appleton bowled superbly in the second innings taking 4-44 as well as Kain Flynn-Duncombe with 2-17.

Fourth Grade came within 32 runs of winning and again rising star Chaitnya Sharma impressed. A brilliant innings of 81 took his aggregate after 4 matches to 325 and his teams total against Sydney University to 234. Sharma's team mate Aaron Viles also scored 40 runs at the St Paul's Ground.

Fifth Grade were unable to chase down 249 on Raby 3. Lachlan Binskin (54 runs) and Nicholas Mortimer (40 runs) were the pick of the Ghosts bats who were all out for 186.

Next week the Ghosts First Grade travel to Waverly to take on Eastern Suburbs in their Round 5 fixture. Raby will host 2nd and 4th Grade matches from 10.30am.

Meanwhile the two leading run scorers after four rounds of the McDonald's Sydney First Grade competition, Campbelltown-Camden's Ryan Gibson and Bankstown's Daniel Solway, have been selected in the NSW team to play Tasmania in a Toyota Futures League match.

The Four Day fixture will be played at the Kingston Twin Ovals in Hobart starting on Monday (November 17).

Gibson, who started the season with three consecutive centuries, was part of the side which defeated Queensland in NSW's opening match of the competition two weeks ago.

He sits on top of the list of leading First Grade run scorers with 516 at 103.20.

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