



Campbelltown Camden District Cricket Club

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"Feel the Spirit"

SCA 5th Grade Grand Final Campbelltown Camden DCC V Eastern Suburbs CC (Two-day match)

In what was the closest of all SCA Grand Final's played over the weekend the Ghosts have raised the David Sherwood Cup after plenty of nervous moments. The Young Ghosts side just managed to out play their Eastern Suburb's opponents on Raby # 1 over the two days.

The win tops off a tremendous season for the Ghosts 5th XI who deserved to contest the Grand Final having captured the minor premiership after Rd 15.

Eastern Suburbs skipper George Black won the toss on Saturday morning and elected to bat in front of a good crowd at Raby. At first his decision appeared to be a positive one as the Easts top order took the score to 2-53.



The Ghosts strong bowling attack then took control of the game. Patrick O'Neill and Lleyton Wallace combined to completely destroy the Easts top and middle order. Between them they took seven wickets and when Andrew O'Halloran ran the last Easts batsman out, the visitors had lost 8-42 leaving the Ghosts 95 runs to chase. O'Neill had bowled 11 overs for figures of 4-21. Lleyton Wallace also bowling superbly to return with 3-27 off 14 overs.

On the Saturday afternoon the Ghosts bats found 95 not the easiest of totals to chase and to their credit the Easts bowling attack lifted and bowled exceedingly well. Only three Ghosts batsman managed to get a start at the crease. The Ghosts lost wickets at regular intervals with the exception of a match winning partnership of 39 runs between Todd O'Keefe and Lleyton Wallace.

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The Ghosts returned for Day 2 requiring 13 runs with 4 wickets in hand and immediately lost night watchman Andrew O'Halloran leg before wicket. Nervously the Ghosts tail approached the wicket as Easts lifted the pressure for good results. In form Ghosts skipper Michael Strong was bowled for 2. Wickets fell at 83 and 84 and when the ninth wicket of Todd O'Keefe fell in controversial circumstances, the Ghosts required 3 runs from their last pairing of Patrick O'Neill and Iain Carlisle.

The Raby complex was in complete silence for the next twenty minutes as the Easts bowlers attacked the Ghosts stumps with a highly restrictive field in position. It wasn't until Patty O'Neill punched one through the covers that first innings victory was achieved. Shortly afterwards he was run out taking the match into a second innings. The Ghosts led by 4 runs with almost a full day's play yet to occur.

O'Keefe's innings of 27 patient runs from 130 balls had proven to hold the Ghosts 1st innings together. Lleyton Wallace (25 runs) and Nick Appleton's 17 runs at the top of the order were the only other Ghosts batsmen to reach double figures.

Eastern Suburbs managed 101 runs in their second innings as the Ghosts bowlers again did their job. Lleyton Wallace bowled superbly once again. Lleyton took a further four wickets to give him match figures of 7-51 from 26 overs whilst his fellow opening partner Iain Carlisle knocked over the top order. Iain dismissing three of the top four Easts batsmen.

With the match again in the balance Campbelltown Camden DCC required 97 to achieve outright victory. This time the Ghosts top order took control. Vincent Hreszczuk treated the crowd to some beautiful "drives" down the ground before being dismissed for 36. Likewise, Nicholas Appleton, batting at three, was strong at the crease. His forceful shots square of the wicket also a delight to watch.

Brandon Redman and Nathan Baker then steered the Ghosts home inside 34 overs. The locals celebrating as the score board read 3-98.

Sydney Cricket Association Committee Representative Richard Cook was on hand to present the trophy to Ghosts Captain Michael Strong. He noted this was the Ghosts fifth 5th Grade Premiership win and they had played against a side they met in the first and last matches of the 2015-16 season. Veteran wicket keeper Todd O'Keefe was awarded the Player of the Final Medal on the back of his 1st innings resistance with the bat and his solid work behind the stumps throughout the both days.

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The young Ghosts side were most deserving of this premiership win. In eighteen matches they won thirteen games, drawing three whilst losing on only two occasions. They have played consistently well as a team throughout the whole season. Captain Michael Strong thanked his team for their application and dedication to practice over the long season.

It is extremely unlikely that many of the young Ghosts players will return to 5th Grade next season. Their development this season has been most pleasing and higher grade captains will be demanding them in their teams next season.

Congratulations to Michael Strong and his team.

Vincent Hreszczuk, Cameron Binskin, Todd O'Keefe, Nicholas Appleton, Nathan Baker, Brandon Redman, Lleyton Wallace, Andrew O'Halloran, Patrick O'Neill, Iain Carlisle, Samuel Okely and Luke Miner.

Well done lads... a tremendous achievement.



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