

## Ghosts Women Rd 1

Round 1 of the SCAWC kicked off on Sunday, with the Ghostettes 1<sup>st</sup> grade taking on Gordon at Chatswood oval. Batting first, Gordon scored a very impressive total of 5/271 with Celeste Raack taking 3 wickets and Lauren Cheatle and Belinda Vakawera bowling well on debut.

In reply the Ghostettes top order started well with Vanessa Picker (26) and Claire Koski (20) taking us to 1/60 after the first 16 overs. The fall of these two wickets was the start of a collapse that saw the Ghostettes crumble to be all out for 137 from only 25 overs. Only Naomi Stalenburg with a handy 35 showed any resistance in the middle order.

An under strength 2<sup>nd</sup> grade took on Uni's on Raby 1 and were sent in to bat on a pitch that had some early life. Some very impressive batting from Kelsey Miller (37) and Hannah Trethewy at the top of the order combined with a great captain's innings from Bec Miller (67) and some handy late order runs to Jessica MacFeters saw the girls post a competitive 9/172.

In reply Unis looked to have the game well in hand and appeared to be coasting to a win at 1/118. The game began to turn when Rebekah Mallitt (1/28 from 8 overs) and Jade McEwan (5 overs for 16) dried the runs up and this resulted in 2 key wickets falling. With the game in the balance at the 40<sup>th</sup> over mark, Jessica MacFeters came on for her 2<sup>nd</sup> spell to take 6 wickets for 15 runs in 5 overs to turn the game on its head. The last over of the match saw Uni's needing 5 runs to win with 3 wickets in hand and when Uni's scored a 4 off the 3<sup>rd</sup> ball of the over, the game appeared lost. The next 3 deliveries saw Jessica take a hat trick to see the game end in a tie leaving players and spectators speechless.

Third Grade played Bankstown at Graham Thomas oval for their first T/20 of the season. Batting first the Ghostettes posted a competitive 6/117, with Yardley Polsen & Jessica MacFeters both scoring 30 n.o. In reply Bankstown were never really in the hunt and struggled to a total of 6/86 as a result of some very accurate bowling and tight fielding. The pick of the Ghostettes bowlers were Tanika Sibal 1/6 off 3 overs and Rebekah Mallitt with an early wicket.

Brewer Shield opened their season with a T/20 double header against Penrith and Gordon. In the first game the Ghostettes scored 102 on the back of runs to Yardley Polsen (30\*) and Sophie Heath (27). In reply Penrith never really challenged and fell well short of the target.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> game against Gordon saw the second tie of the day. Batting 1<sup>st</sup> the Ghostettes score a very handy 7/112 with Yardley Polsen again smashing a 30\* and Hayley Hoffmeister scoring a handy late order 16. In reply Gordon started slow but kept wickets in hand and in the later overs were able to hit out to force a tie.