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Campbelltown Camden DCC Men's Cricket Round 1 V Gordon CC Day 1

Campbelltown-Camden District Cricket Club's First Grade rewrote the club's record books in Round 1 of the 2013-14 season as they surpassed the club's previous highest total of 401 runs by 39. Posting a day one total of 440 runs for the loss of seven wickets, the Ghosts completely dominated the Gordon attack.

On the back of a brilliant 171 runs by Ingleburn's Ardil Domingo, the Ghosts batsmen demoralised their opponents as the first three partnerships each surpassed 100 runs. Opening bat Domingo featuring in each of them. Domingo, who has recently returned from a successful season in England, now has the third highest individual total in a first grade match for Campbelltown Camden, surpassing Shane Lee's 1993 effort of 166 against Hawkesbury. Domingo patiently steered the innings to secure a platform for the middle order to enjoy a "pressure free" afternoon in the middle of Chatswood Oval.

At the top of the innings Ardil was well supported by Josh Clarke (51) and Ryan Gibson (47) before Captain Scott Coyte joined him to score 70 runs at more than a run per ball. The locals must have been concerned when Coyte strode to the wicket at 2 for 223 and for good reason. Coyte continued the punishment before Ben Bourke totally controlled the Gordon bowling enjoying 32 not out runs from 14 balls at the end of the day.

In lower Grades mixed outcomes were the order of the day. The Ghosts second grade completed their day at 7 for 248 at Raby #1. Ghosts debutante, and last year's NSW Under Seventeen's Opening Batsman, Zac Churchill played some beautiful drives on his way to 59 before Captain David Ward took control of proceedings narrowly missing a deserved century. Ward fought hard in the wind to make 89 mainly in the company of Luke Webb whose 45 was extremely valuable in what was otherwise a fairly slow day at Raby.

The Ghosts third grade lost the toss at Killara and were asked to bat on a wicket lacking preparation. Captain Russell Gascoigne's innings of 48 paid dividends for the batsmen

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following him as Matt Inness (36) Sandy Craze (56) and Keegan Moodliar (28) assisted the third grade in achieving a respectable total. Gascoigne, who has stepped down from a lengthy first grade career, will add vital experience to the Ghosts third grade this season.

On Raby #2 the Ghosts fourth grade bowlers toiled well on a flat hard wicket and lightning outfield. Jamie Malskaitis and Aaron Viles each took two wickets as the Ghosts bowlers combined to restrict the visitors to 9/250 on a batting friendly wicket.

The Ghosts fifth grade's 9 declared for 167 may not be enough with Gordon replying with 41 runs for no loss before the close of day one. Veteran Todd O'Keefe scored a half century.

All in all, it was a positive season opener for Ghosts buoyed by the tremendous efforts of First Grade and some fine performances by several younger players.

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