



Crow Calls

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**TWO CROWS' TEAMS READY
FOR FINALS CHALLENGE**

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“NEWS FROM THE NEST”

The home and away season has only one week to go and the club is happy to say that two of our five sides - Seventh Grade and One Day E Grade - have claimed an SMCA finals berth, with the Sevens meeting Armadale (the venue still to be determined) in next week's Semi-Final whilst the One Day Es could finish as high as second or as low as fourth.

Training will continue at Burrendah Reserve for the length of our teams' finals campaign and assistance from any player who wants to help out at training will be greatly appreciated. The committee would also like to see people volunteer to act as scorers or team managers for both finals teams so that they players can concentrate on playing and not worry about scorebooks or setting up cones or stumps out. If you can assist in this way, then let either of the two captains (Rob Sims or James Della Bona) know so they can get things organised.

The 2009-10 season wind up is to be held at the Last Drop in Canning Vale on Saturday March 27. The cost per head will be \$35, which will include your meal as well as a small contribution towards drinks. After the allowance for drinks is used, then you will need to purchase your own drinks from the bar at our own cost. Nat James will be updating everyone on the details for payment, confirmation of numbers, etc. in the next weeks.

The Committee decided at their recent meeting that on this same day, we would have the 2010 AGM at Willetton Reserve on the same day (March 27) at 1.00pm preceding a Twenty20 match between 'the Aussies' and 'the World'. We have a fantastic club, but we need more people to help and assist with the running of the club if we are to be the best club we can be. We will put out more details regarding positions available and jobs to be done in the weeks before the meeting.

If you want to be part of the Twenty20 match, please advise Derek Mott so that he can organise team allocations. This is a great chance for our English, Pakistani, Indian (and Victorian) members of the club to exact revenge for the walloping they have received at the hands of the Aussies over the last hundred years or so. Be part of it and it should be a good day and then good night at the wind up.

Finally, the club's statistical records are close to completion. The club has been able to locate a number of scorebooks from the 1970s and 1980s, including the scorebook from our first season in 1973-74. We aim to have a full record completed in the off-season and start putting this information to good use thereafter. One thing we are short of is old team and player photographs and club memorabilia (caps, etc.) - if you have any of these then Rob Sims and Derek Mott would love to borrow them, copy them and return them so that the items can be used in the club's 40 Year history book, the text of which is currently in its infancy with a projected completion date of mid-2013.

Go Crows!



FIRST GRADE

After the success against Kardinya Lakes in late January, the Willetton Crows were unfortunately not able to add further victories for the season and look as though they will be returning to Second Grade in 2010-11 unless proposed moves to retain the same number of teams in First Grade come to fruition.

The Crows sent Cockburn into bat in their ninth round encounter and the Cavaliers made 245, with Timmy taking 4-63, Tunni finished with 2-32, Chucky ended with 2-43 and Sav had figures of 2-49.

Willetton's reply recovered from 2-7 early on to be at 2-93 thanks to Rich Soulsby (67) and Paddy (33), with Browny making 20 in the middle order as well. Unfortunately, the last six wickets fell for 22 and the Crows were all out for 170.

Batting again, Cockburn reached 5-121 with Timmy, Sav, Tunni, Paddy and Sloany all taking one wicket each.

The Crows faced another finals certainty in their next match against Phoenix, who batted first and posted a score of 252. Chucky's good form with the ball continued as he finished with 4-23 from 16 overs with 7 maidens and Rich Oliver took 2-44 from 13.3 overs.

Once again, the Crows batsmen failed to lay solid foundations for the innings, with Rich Soulsby and Paddy both top-scoring with 26 - some lower order contributions from Chucky (19) and Sloany (17) allowed the Crows to reach 126.

The Crows made good inroads into Phoenix's order in the second innings with an end total of 9-114 from 13 overs. Rich Oliver took 3-15, Chucky nabbed 2-5 and Elliott finished with 2-33 from 3 overs.

THIRD GRADE

Willetton made advances on the Third Grade ladder and are likely to finish just outside the 'Four with five wins, a tie and nine losses for the season after finishing with first innings points in each of their last three matches.

The Crows sent Kelmscott into bat and the Cats were dismissed for 146, after being 3-109 at one point. Simo nabbing 4-22 from 10 overs, Spooner took 3-39 and BJ had figures of 3-61.

Willetton replied with 229, with Simo (80) and Pushy (70) leading the way with the bat and allowing the Crows to take first innings points with five wickets in hand.

Kelmscott batted a second time and were 5-81 from 20 overs at stumps, with BJ tearing through the top order with 4-28 from 10 overs.

The Crows then hosted Kardinya Lakes at Burrendah Reserve and made an imposing 8-271 after choosing to bat first. Brownly top-scored with 52, BJ made an unbeaten 51, Simo opened the batting and hit 44 and Nick Macek chipped in with 38.

In reply, Kardinya Lakes were dismissed for 128 as the wickets were shared by Carlos (4-12 from 8), BJ (3-32) and AJ (3-50). Simo then closed the Crows' second innings at 0-0 in an attempt to secure an outright win to propel the Crows towards a spot in the 'Four, setting Kardinya Lakes 144 to win. The visitors made 5-145 in 20.4 overs to end the Crows dream of sneaking into the finals in the last round. Simo took 2-53 and Steve Patmore and BJ took a wicket each.

The Crows' final match of the season, a 'dead rubber' against bottom team East Fremantle was run and won on the first day with both sides deciding not to continue the match on the second day (details from this match will be included in the next edition of *Crow Calls*).

SEVENTH GRADE

The Willetton Crows were unable to bring home the One Day Final crown against Kenwick in January, having been beaten by seven wickets at Mills Park. Batting first, the Crows were dismissed for 96 in the 30th over, with Simo (41), Trev (17) and Mayo (14) the only players to reach double-figure tallies. The Royals made 3-98 from 26.2 overs in reply with Simo (2-23) and Mayo (1-16) making the breakthroughs.

The Crows had a narrow escape against Maddington at Harmony Fields. The Bulls decided to bat first and were reeling at 5-26 at drinks before being dismissed three balls after tea for 72. Motty (3-12), Tommy (3-15) and Andy (3-15) shared the wickets in an excellent performance by the bowlers and fielders.

Willetton edged their way to 7-87 at stumps before advancing the total to 105 on the second day. Dan Worth batted responsibly to hold the innings together in an unbeaten 36, Drewy made 18 and Palwinder Singh contributed 18 to the total.

Maddington batted briskly to make 8-128 before their declaring their second innings. Palwinder bowled well for his figures of 3-26 and Motty finished with 3-28, with the Bulls setting Willetton 92 to win in a minimum of 20 overs.

Things looked bad at 1-0, worse at 3-3 and even worse at 8-17 in the 11th over. With Trev unavailable to bat due to injury, the last pair of Andy (1no) and Wes (6no) kept the Bulls at bay for 11 overs to deny the home side outright victory with a score of 8-23 from 22 overs.

In a match that would go a long way to determine who would host the other in the upcoming Semi-Finals, the Crows succumbed to Armadale by 14 runs on the first innings. Batting first, the Crows made 140 with Drewy top-scoring with 34, Tommy ensured the tail wagged with an unbeaten 29 and opener Nev Ram made 23.

Armadale batted patiently and made 9-154 from 60.4 overs, despite the efforts of young guns Andy (3-24) and Tommy (3-45) with Motty taking 2-51.

Batting again, the Crows finished with 3-55 from 10 overs with Owen Lawton unbeaten on 26 and Nev Ram scoring 23.

ONE DAY A GRADE

Four consecutive losses have deprived the Willetton Crows of the opportunity to reach the finals and currently sit almost 11 points outside the 'Four with one round of matches remaining.

The last success came with an exciting one-wicket win against Bicton-Attadale at Willetton Reserve. Having won the toss and deciding to bat first, the rookie club made 9-137 from their 40 overs with Pravin Umrani scything through the middle order to take 4-27 from his eight overs, Dobbo took 2-16 and wickets were also taken by Hillsy, Mayo, Hoggy and Spearsy.

In reply, the Crows made 9-139 from their 40 overs with Chad Forsyth top-scoring with 45, Hoggy made 33 and Ev Mc hit 14. Willetton's last pair added seven crucial runs after being 4-126 at one point then losing four for seven in the middle order.

Finals contender Forrestdale ended the Crows winning run on the back of a 142-run opening stand when they were sent into bat en route to a score of 9-197. Pravin was once again amongst the wickets with 3-35, Spearsy took 2-21, Forsyth finished with 2-27 and Hillsy ended up with 2-37.

Willetton made 101 in reply with the best with the bat being Nev Ram and Dobbo, who both made 24, with Judgey's 13 being the only other multiple score.

Thornlie sent the Crows in in their clash at Cassidy Street and the visitors made 187 from 39.5 overs with Ev Mc (86) and Hoggy (67) being star performers with the bat. They added 154 runs for the fifth wicket but there was little in the way of support from the other batsmen, save for a 14 from the returning Kev Savige.

Dobbo (3-19 from 8) and Hoggy (2-34) were the best with the ball but Thornlie showed why they have only lost two matches for the season with a strong performance with the bat as the Lions made 6-215 from their allotted overs.

Bicton-Attadale extracted revenge for their earlier defeat when they were victorious by 55 runs at Tom Perrott Reserve. The home side were sent into bat and made 138 as Dobbo was amongst the wickets again with 4-18 from 6 and Hillsy and Nav took two wickets each. The Crows responded with just 83 from 28.3 overs Kev Savige scoring 17, Hoggy hit 16 and Andy Morrice made 14.

The Crows' finals hopes were ended by Thornlie, who made 7-274 with Harris unbeaten on 144 and Pravin Umrani was the pick of the bowlers with 3-35. The Crows were dismissed for 114 in reply with Charleigh Close hitting 32, Pravin made 19 and Ev Pappas making 14.



SLATER - GARTRELL SPORTS

ONE DAY E GRADE

Willetton are locked in a three-way battle to host a Semi-Final in a week's time. The Crows play against bottom side Riverton-Rostrata, whilst the second placed Kardinya Lakes (who have the bye) are four points ahead of the Crows and Phoenix -who meet top side Kelmscott this week - are less that two points behind the Crows. A tense weekend awaits these three teams.

The Crows batted first against Phoenix and made 9-173 from their 40 overs, with Faz (33), Jackson SJoseph (32) and Kieran Sheehan (28) the best performers with the bat.

Phoenix scored kept their finals destiny in their own hands when they made 8-192 in reply. The leading wicket takers were Pom with 3-22 and Huggy had figures of 3-32.

After a bye, the Crows tackled Armadale on the new fourth wicket at Gwynne Park. Armadale chose to bat first and were dismissed for 132 in the 31st over with Zaheen Zaki taking 3-17, Livey snaring 3-26, Palwinder ended up with 3-49.

The Crows made a steady 5-140 in reply as Faz made 44 opening the batting, Livey contributed 24 and Palwinder was unbeaten on 21.

Top team Kelmscott squared off with the second-placed Crows at Willetton Reserve in Round 17 and the Cats came off the better with an 82-run win. Kelmscott were sent into bat and they made 177 with Spooner taking 3-26, Talha Khan took 2-23 and Clarkey finished with 2-32. Spooner (34) and Talha Khan (24no) were the bright spots in a disappointing reply as Willetton were all out for 95.

Leeming were sent into bat in the Crows' most recent clash and the Spartans made 196, with Talha Khan taking 4-27 and Palwinder had figures of 3-44. The Crows made 102 in reply with Jackson Joseph top-scoring with 26, Faz made 23 at the head of the order and Palwinder hit 15.

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S.M.C.A. LADDERS - 2009-10

FIRST XI - FIRST GRADE

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Points</u>
* LEEMING SPARTAN	9	7	0	2	122.18
* COCKBURN	9	6	1	2	105.41
* PHOENIX	9	5	1	3	95.57
* RIVERTON-ROSTRATA	9	5	1	3	93.05
* CBC	9	5	0	4	89.20
* ARMADALE	9	4	0	5	80.79
* Hilton Palmyra	9	4	1	4	80.63
* East Fremantle	9	4	0	5	76.41
* Kardinya Lakes	9	3	1	5	72.00
Kelmscott	10	3	0	7	69.53
* WILLETTON CROWS	9	1	1	7	53.69
* Bye					

SECOND XI - THIRD GRADE

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>1-Day Pts</u>	<u>Points</u>
COCKBURN	13	9	1	3	56.53 *	128.28
RIVERTON-ROSTRATA	13	9	0	4	55.44	123.29
ARMADALE	13	8	0	5	56.76 *	113.32
LEEMING SPARTAN	13	7	0	6	48.56	105.97
WILLETTON CROWS	14	5	1	8	33.29	102.18
Kelmscott	13	5	0	8	43.03	89.70
Kardinya Lakes	13	5	0	8	32.65	89.07
East Fremantle	14	4	0	10	34.55	81.69

THIRD XI - SEVENTH GRADE

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>1-Day Pts</u>	<u>Points</u>
KENWICK	14	11	0	3	80.21 *	140.76
ARMADALE	14	9	0	5	72.81	126.35
WILLETTON CROWS	14	9	0	5	78.79 *	117.03
KELMSCOTT	14	5	0	9	56.28	81.50
Maddington	14	4	0	10	47.74	76.38
Canning Districts	14	4	0	10	48.05	75.44

FOURTH XI - ONE DAY A

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Points</u>
THORNLIE	20	18	0	2	190.800
LEEMING SPARTAN	20	15	1	4	165.670
FORRESTDAL	20	14	0	6	156.026
RIVERTON-ROSTRATA	20	8	0	12	115.470
WILLETTON CROWS	20	7	1	12	104.670
Bicton-Attadale	20	6	0	14	101.900
Armadale	14	7	0	7	88.880
Phoenix	20	2	0	18	66.180
Kelmscott	6	1	2	3	28.780

W.C.C.C. FIXTURES - 2009-10

FIRST XI

(First Grade)

October

3/10 Armadale 273 & 1-42 b **WCCC 207**
17/24 Hilton Palmyra 199 drew **WCCC 5-160**
31/7 Kelmscott 197 b **WCCC 184**

November

14/21 CBC 9-246 b **WCCC 125 & 1-104**
28/5 Riverton-Rostrata 105 b **WCCC 81 & 7-146**

December

12/19 Bye

January

9/10 Leeming Sptn 359 b **WCCC 125 & 2-41**
16/23 **WCCC 2-120** b Kardinya Lakes 83 & 249
30/6 Cockburn 245 & 5-121 b **WCCC 170**

February

13/20 Phoenix 252 & 9-114 b **WCCC 126**
27/6 East Fremantle Burrendah

March

13/14 Qualifying Finals
20/21 Semi-Finals
27/28 Final

SECOND XI

(Third Grade)

October

3/10 Cockburn 360 drew **WCCC**
17/24 **WCCC 220 & 2-60** b Riverton-Rostrata 115
31/7 Armadale 303 b **WCCC 178**

November

14 Cockburn 7-214 b **WCCC 115**
21 East Fremantle 167 b **WCCC 147**
28 Riverton-Rostrata 4-215 b **WCCC 7-196**

December

5 **WCCC 234** b Kelmscott 8-185
12 **WCCC 5-194** b Armadale 8-164
19 Kardinya Lakes 4-239 b **WCCC 119**

January

9 Leeming Spartan 7-200 b **WCCC 9-164**
16/23 Leem Sptn 268 b **WCCC 103 & 3-119**
30/6 **WCCC 229** b Kelmscott 146 & 5-81

February

13/20 K/Lk 128 & 5-145 b **WCCC 8-271 & 0-Dec**
27/6 East Fremantle Preston Point

March

13/14 Semi-Finals
20/21 Final

THIRD XI

(Seventh Grade)

October

10 Armadale 9-165 b **WCCC 128**
17/24 Kenwick 144 & 5-136 b **WCCC 127**
31/7 **WCCC 209 & 7-125** b Canning Dist 130

November

14 **WCCC 8-229** b Kenwick 163
21 **WCCC 171** b Maddington 6-117
28 **WCCC 163** b Canning Districts 93

December

5 **WCCC 9-190** b Kelmscott 159
12 **WCCC 5-351** b Maddington 190
19 **WCCC 8-225** b Kenwick 195

January

9 Kelmscott 190 b **WCCC 9-167**
16 Canning Districts 8-182 b **WCCC 156**
23 **WCCC 119** b Armadale 98
30/6 **WCCC 105 & 8-23** b Madd'ton 72 & 8-124
31 ODF Kenwick 3-98 b **WCCC 96**

February

13/20 Armadale 9-154 b **WCCC 140 & 3-55**
27/6 Kelmscott Rushton

March

13/14 Semi-Finals
20/21 Final

FOURTH XI

(One Day A)

October

3 **WCCC 114** b Armadale 88
10 Thornlie 7-255 b **WCCC 96**
17 Leeming Spartan 8-189 b **WCCC 169**
24 Riverton-Rostrata 6-166 b **WCCC 80**
31 Kelmscott 182 tied **WCCC 182**

November

7 Forrestdale 8-290 b **WCCC 9-124**
14 Riverton-Rostrata 7-147 b **WCCC 77**
21 **WCCC 7-209** b Phoenix 4-186
28 Leeming Spartan 185 b **WCCC 9-147**

December

5 Forrestdale 189 b **WCCC 96**
12 **WCCC 6-192** b Phoenix 6-188
19 **WCCC 9-239** b Armadale 182

January

9 Leeming Spartans 6-242 b **WCCC 92**
16 **WCCC 7-168** b Armadale 8-146
23 **WCCC 138** b Phoenix 91
30 **WCCC 9-139** b Bicton-Attadale 9-137

February

6 Forrestdale 9-197 b **WCCC 101**
13 Thornlie 6-215 b **WCCC 187**
20 Bicton-Attadale 138 b **WCCC 83**
27 Thornlie 7-274 b **WCCC 9-114**

March

6 Riverton-Rostrata Willetton
13 Semi-Finals
20 Final

W.C.C.C. FIXTURES - 2009-10

FIFTH XI

(One Day E)

October

10 Kardinya Lakes 6-226 b **WCCC 102**
 17 **WCCC 186** b Phoenix 170
 24 Leeming Spartan 142 b **WCCC 87**
 31 **WCCC 8-184** b Armadale 89

November

7 **WCCC 5-232** b Riverton-Rostrata 49
 14 **WCCC 7-172** b Kardinya Lakes 8-105
 21 Phoenix 6-140 b **WCCC 134**
 28 Bye

December

5 Kelmscott 8-190 b **WCCC 9-134**
 12 **WCCC 196** b Armadale 55
 19 **WCCC** b Riverton-Rostrata (forfeit)

January

16 **WCCC 5-197** b Leeming Spartan 7-196
 23 **WCCC 134** b Kardinya Lakes 81
 30 Phoenix 8-192 b **WCCC 9-173**

February

6 **BYE**
 13 **WCCC 5-140** b Armadale 132
 20 Kelmscott 177 b **WCCC 95**
 27 Leeming Spartan 196 b **WCCC 102**

March

6 Riverton-Rostrata Willetton
 13 Semi-Finals
 20 Final

FIFTH XI - ONE DAY E

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Points</u>
KELMSCOTT	11	10	0	1	123.290
KARDINYA LAKES	17	9	0	8	111.173
WILLETTON CROWS	16	9	0	7	107.490
PHOENIX	16	9	0	7	105.730
Leeming Spartan	16	8	0	8	93.110
Armadale	16	5	0	11	78.580
Riverton-Rostrata	16	4	0	12	65.120

THE EQUATIONS

First Grade (11th with one round remaining)

Cannot make the 'Six
 22.72 points behind eighth place (First Grade status for 2010-11)

Third Grade (5th with one round remaining)

3.79 points outside the 'Four

Note: The club's last match has already been completed, with the other three matches are still in progress.

Seventh Grade (3rd with one round remaining)

40.65 points inside the 'Four (certain to make the finals)

Will finish 2nd if Armadale loses (Armadale 223 v Kelmscott), with the Semi-Final being Willetton v Armadale.

Will finish 3rd if Armadale beats Kelmscott, with the Semi-Final being Armadale v Willetton.

One Day A Grade (5th with one round remaining)

10.80 points outside the 'Four

Play against Riverton-Rostrata (4th) and need a large victory to force their way into the 'Four.

One Day E Grade (3rd with one round remaining)

14.38 points inside the 'Four (certain to make the finals)

Play against Riverton-Rostrata (7th) and could finish as high as second and as low as fourth.



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