

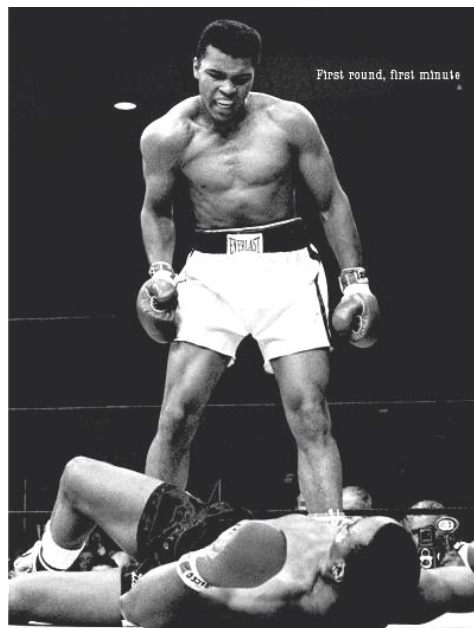


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THE OFFICIAL NIGHTCLIFF CRICKET CLUB NEWSLETTER

8th edition – 19 JULY 2007



MUHAMMAD ALI Vs. SONNY LISTON 25th MAY 1965

“THE GREATEST!”

MORE TESTIMONIALS

“Saucy” Papa Giuseppe

“Greasy!” Colonel Sanders

“So funny it’s criminal” Peter Adamson

“If you leave me, can I come too?” Sean Kenny

THE PREZ SAYS...

Love your Club. Keep working hard towards establishing a successful and harmonious club. Does anyone else wish to become involved in this Club at a Committee level? Put your hand up if you do. All you need is love...and a little time.

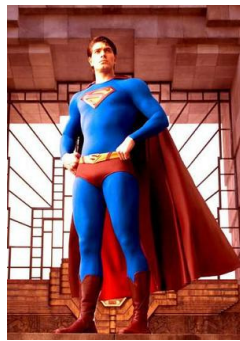
You've got to know when to hold them, know when to fold them, know when to walk away, know when to run. You never count your money, when you're sitting at the Committee table, there will be time enough for counting, when the Season's done.

All teams are performing well and we sit fourth in the Club Championship, which is pretty grouse seeing that we do not have an E-Grade side this year (hi Flash if you are reading this, hope you are well, keeping in shape and not putting on weight) and we have two sides less than a number of Clubs. But we require a concerted effort from all people involved in the Club to maintain that rage and that means training hard and together, helping each other at training and around the Club, following directions from **Supercoach** at training as well as Gregory Aldam when he is there – both have been engaged to help you and your game, so tap into their vast cricketing knowledge and experience.

As Bryan Ferry said, "*Let's stick together*" aye?

Brad Hatton
NCC President

JASON BREMNER SUPERCOACH TIPS OF THE WEEK



1. Train as you intend to play. Play as you intend to train to play.
2. Sing as if no one is listening, dance as if no one else is watching.
3. No matter what a man's past may have been, his future is spotless.
4. Life is a coin. You can spend it any way you wish, but you can only spend it once.

UPCOMING DRAW & DATES – JULY/AUG 2007**A GRADE:**

Saturday, 14 & /21 July 2007: vs **WARATAHS** at TIGERLAND
Saturday 4 & 11 August 2007: vs **CHARLES DARWIN** at NIGHTCLIFF

B GRADE:

Saturday, 14 & 21 July 2007: vs **WARATAHS** at KORMILDA
Saturday 4 & 11 August 2007: vs **CHARLES DARWIN** at KAHLIN

C GRADE:

Saturday, 14 & 21 July 2007: vs **TV RED ROOSTERS** at WULAGI
Saturday 4 & 11 August 2007: vs **BYE BYE BLACKBIRD(S)**

D GRADE:

Sunday, 22 July 2007 vs **PINTS OF JD & COKE** at MARRARA #2
Sunday, 29 July 2007 IT'S THE (MUPPET) SHOW – GAME OFF AGAIN!
Sunday, 5 August 2007 vs **CHARLES DARWIN** at NIGHTCLIFF



1. **Friday 3 August 2007 – MILO CLINIC** from **5.30pm – 6.30pm**. The MILO Clinic will run **each Friday thereafter** at the same time at Nightcliff Oval for about a further 4 weeks. All welcome, kiosk and bar (for parents) facilities open.
2. **Saturday 11 August 2007** from about **7.00pm** – Social Event – **NIGHTCLIFF CRICKET CLUB QUIZ NIGHT**. Lets Get Quizzical Tigers and get a team of 6 together before then. Truckloads of prizes will be on offer.

MATCH RESULTS**A-GRADE**

Nightcliff 8/238d (M.Hatton 57, T.Scollay 48) def
Palmerston Cheeses 116 (Haydos Martinez 5/24) & 214 (H.Martin 3/55, N.Tuelon 2/42)

After starting the day with 40 runs and 6 wickets in the bank, the Tigers went shopping for an outright win. Tiger stalwart **Steve Hatton** ventured down to Funkytown and saw his boys **Mark** registering his first 50 for the year and then the good son **Jason** put together some runs (22) before the Tigers looked to slice the Cheeses up for a platter of points. Tigers' Kiwi fruits (which can *sometimes* compliment cheese) **Hayden Martin** and **St Nick Teulon** devoured the top order early however some steady-eddy resistance led by a Red Hot Chilli Peppers roadie and a Hobbit was enough to steer the visitors to the relative safety of 214. The **Tigers** rose to third by virtue of their (Simon) good win & will look to cement (or at least lightly plaster) their spot in the Four in coming weeks.

In their next public outing against the Tahs, the Tigers chalked up 172, with **Paul Donoghue** making a welcome return with breezy 39, equal top scorer with a steadily built contribution from **Xavier Tras**. By stumps the Tigers had sent three Tahs kids to their room with about 80 chiseled from their less-than-ideal total, leaving them with a bit of work to do next time they don the whites.

B-GRADE

Nightcliff 169 (M.Bhatnager 44) & **4/72** def by Mrs Palmers 248 (Fergutator 2/20,
Whitworth 2/33) & 8/59 (W.Hawkins 4/12, S.Kenny 3/12)

In their Blues Brothers car chase of 249 runs, the Tigers caused some collateral damage with the crazy Sri Lankan **Manesh Bhatnager** pocketing some runs. However with less support than a **John Towell** man-bra the Tigers eventually fell short of the mark. But the **B-52s** then turned the game on its left ear led by a devastating David Copperfield spell of bowling from **Wade 'Jennifer' Hawkins** and backed up by **Sean "Who Killed" Kenny** (on a mission to play for every grade this season – under 17s could be a challenge), as the **Laura Palmers** were mercilessly slain in the second dig. But alas like **Icarus** the B-Like Mike's run chase soon melted after reaching dizzy heights and the Tigers eventually eased their guns back into their holsters to fight another day, albeit with a sense of knowing they are up to the battle.

In the next game against **Tahs & Feathers** the Tigers smashed 'em like plates at a Greek triple wedding. The Tigers rolled them like a joint at a Jamaican tea party for about 120 with **Whitworth** and **Wyles** slicing them up like OJ Simpson in a dispute resolution conference, robbing man-mountain and wicket-machine **Geordie Ferguson** of a bowl. Our heroes are already 5-155 in reply with solid citizen **Benny Mitchell** dishing out some punishment with a fine unbeaten 53. A huge chance for a well-earned outright win next week, with the B52's expected to roll the fluffy dice and attempt to send their Valiant of Victory into overdrive. Will **the Mitch-slapper** find some further gears himself and have a crack at a ton? Will **the Ferganator** look to bribe the skipper for a bowl in the second dig with chicken popcorn? Will **Kim "you keep me hanging on" Wyles** play his way into the A-Grade side next game with a further swag of wickets? Could the B52's actually find themselves in the Four by the end of the Round?

C-GRADE

Nightcliff 111 (J.Tate 39, N.Byrne 30) & **123** (K.Edwards 42, D.Mathieson 27)
def Waratahs 87 (T.Lahy 6/40, K.Wyles 3/5) & 7/130 (K.Wyles 4/24)

With more drama than a **Paris Hilton** prison sentence, the **C-No Evils** came within a bee's nostril hair of snaring their second successive outright win. After cleaning up the remains of day one to pocket first innings points the lads pinned the ears back in an effort to snare another valuable outright win. Led by a solid **Kyle "Tyson" Edwards** meaning-of-life the universe and everything innings (**42**) the Tigers then set the **Tah-zans** deep into the jungle requiring 140 runs in about as many seconds. Whilst returning Grand Master **Kim (take a walk on the) Wyles (side)** was able to cap off an impressive 7-wicket return to the Tigerland fray, the lads had to be content with another first innings victory and a consolidation of their place in the Four.

In the first week of their next game against **TV Dinners** (of the Code Red variety), the Tigers spent most of their day in the field however they were able to restrict the Dinners to 213 calories.

The Tigers had worked a few of those off by stumps but also lost two wickets including **Tate Snr**, who will now spend next Saturday roaming the Wulagi grounds proffering spiritual advice to incoming young Tigers bats in their quest for glory.

D-GRADE

Nightcliff 6/160 (J.Fryar 60, C.Collins 29, A.Krepapas 29) def
The Dick Tracys 157 (B.Foley 4/16)

Well the Murder Mystery that is D-Grade cricket unearthed some further clues as the Tigers took out the inaugural **Sheep Station Perpetual Trophy** after mauling the TV Dinners in between ad breaks. The Tigers were a rabble minutes before play but after some tight bowling and good catching (with **Matty 'Hidden' Tallents** fielding at the covers in a coma position even managing a catch after a ball landed on top of him), the **Dick Tracys** were restricted to 157. **'Axel' Foley** turned it on like a Mardi Gra for the rowdy Village Idiots crowd who had arranged for their tax refunds to be sent directly to Woolworths Liquorland, where they then filled up at least one Utility with provisions en route to the game.

And after the loss of early wickets, the Tigers run-rate took off like an Iraqi Dictator as **Johnny Fryar** tucked into some runs. His was a (Peter) sterling captain's knock just when needed, as he featured in solid partnerships with run machine **Alexander Krepapas** and the indomitable **Camer(o)n Collins**, to steer this ship home and ensure that Good once again triumphed over Evil. TV Dinners' skipper **Trev "Pinocchio" Woodhead** performed his best **Phillip Nitschke** impersonation at the end of the game by deliberately bowling a wide in an effort to put the match and his side out of their misery.

In their next game the Tigers batted first against top side **Palmerston** at Little Mumbai and could only post **Agent 99** (**Camero(o)n Collins** 29, **Rob 'Roy' Wheatley** 24) when some Maxwell smarter batting would have seen them yield more. After some spirited bowling and fielding, including a classic outfield into-the-sun-&-almost-on-the-bowling-green catch by **Hidden Tallents**, the Tigers almost snatched an unlikely victory with the sweaty Palmers staggering across the line with two measly wickets in hand. **Robbie (Williams) Wheatley** doubled up with a fine **3/16** whilst **Axel Foley** and Shakin' **Stevens took** two wickets apiece and toiled well in tandem to almost steal this show.

The mini Tigers were carved up like a Christmas ham by their arch-nemesis **Palmerston Cheese**. Our lads look forward to playing these guys when the nucleus of this improving Tigers side is still playing together in this Grade and much bigger and stronger with about 15,000 more **Weet-Bix** under their collective belts by this time next year. The **Feehan** Stakes, the **Tribe** and the **Kardy (Kardirgamar)** each took 2 wickets as the Tigers continued to grate the Cheeses during a long day in the field.

If the Tigers think *their* day in the field was long, spare a thought for **Waratahs' B-Grade** who spent the very same day retrieving more leather than Batman's dry cleaner as PINTS of Brew racked up the Chinese census score of **8/680**. Supercoach **Jason Bremner** was optimistic despite the defeat, "*The Sun will rise in the east again tomorrow, the river of personal development will continue to flow and we, the salmon of hope and glory, will continue to forge our way upstream.*"



"THEY SAID IT" - QUOTABLE QUOTES

<p><i>"Ouch!"</i></p>	<p>Life Member Jason Hatton attempting to move on any given Sunday after a fortnight of keeping (and batting) against the Parmirgianas. Great to see him chalk up some runs and feature in a handy partnership with brother Marky-Mark.</p>
<p><i>"Ouch!"</i></p>	<p>D-Generate all rounder Cameron (Diaz) Collins after going down like JFK on a day trip to Dallas after dropping & copping a ball smashed into the outfield against the TV (done like) Dinners.</p>
<p><i>"They could have stayed in Melbourne and copped less of a spanking at the Hellfire Club!"</i></p>	<p>Bombers' fan Anthony Snell enjoying the Hudson Hawks demise to the Froot Loops over in Alcatraz, which keeps his Dons v Hawks wager with mobile cricket shop Alex Krepapas alive at least for one more week.</p>
<p><i>"Great works are performed, not by strength, but by perseverance."</i></p>	<p>B Grade stand-in skipper Sean Kenny addressing his charges after the B-Minors fell short of Palmerston's total but then almost jagged an unlikely outright win on the back of a menacing Jennifer Hawkins' bowling display.</p>

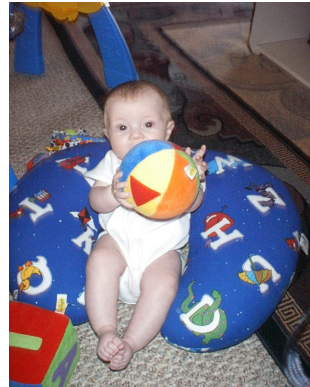
HOME & AWAY

Well there is the truth, damned lies and statistics. We feed you enough of the first two in this publication so let's just cut straight to the third here. We have in our midst a man who travels as well as ice cream in a heat wave - a **Fremantle Shockers** on two legs, a supreme bowling gladiator at home but a pussycat crossing the Autobahn if playing away from the Tiger's Den – we give you the Gospel according to **Matthew Tallents**.

PLAYING AT HOME				
OVERS	WKTS	RUNS	AVERAGE	R/RATE
40	15	148	9.87	3.70
PLAYING AWAY				
OVERS	WKTS	RUNS	AVERAGE	R/RATE
18	0	110	<i>nup hasn't got one yet</i>	6.11

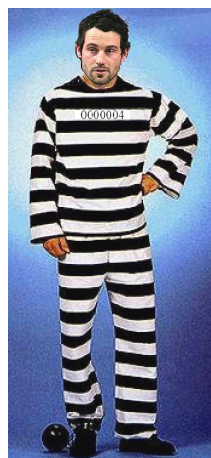


MATTY AT HOME



MATTY AWAY

SEEN THE NEW COLLINGWOOD AWAY STRIP?



PLAYER PROFILE

BRAD HATTON

After an upbringing of back yard cricket almost worthy of first class status, Brad burst onto the Nightcliff junior scenes and into the Premier team when he was only 13. He then settled into a long and distinguished career that has seen him play representative cricket, perform as an important cog in the 1996 premierships effort, assume the Nightcliff captaincy and even take on the Presidency with distinction (an Eddie McGuire special right there). Now an ornament to the game in the Top End, Brad has taken the most A-Grade wickets of any of the great gladiators who have donned the black and gold, with his tally nearing a massive 380 – can he pip the magical 400 before he’s done? And one more flag wouldn’t hurt either.

Date of birth?	22 April 1975
First ever cricketing memory?	Getting smacked in the head by a cricket bat wielded by my brother Mark – and bowling for <i>hours and hours</i> to Jason!
First Game for Nightcliff?	Under 12s, Doug Kerr was coaching, the sun was out at Nightcliff High School...and I did absolutely nothing all day. Great day!
Favourite drink?	A cool clear Carlton Cold. Happiness in a glass.
Favourite food?	Mmm, probably spaghetti bolognese.
Tracy Village – entrepreneurial cricketing superpower or out-and-out mercenary?	Mercenaries. As evil as Evel Knieval riding weevils eating cheezels. It’s good to at least see their seven C-Grade sides getting minced like garlic in a Greek kitchen. Not my bucket of fish I just don’t do business that way.
Most admired sportsperson?	Probably right at the minute, Lewis Hamilton the Pommy F1 driver, he’s just a freak! Also Glenn McGrath , for his durability and the fact he’s a wicket taking machine and a star. A national treasure.
Other hobbies & interests?	Computers, spending quality time with the family, spending quality time watching sport, computer games. Yeah that’ll do.
Jessica Alba or Jennifer Hawkins?	What happened to Megan Gale she went alright? Nup still Jennifer Hawkins for mine, one of God’s finer pieces of work. Special!

Favorite Spice Girl?	After last night Posh for sure, watched her show “ <i>Coming to America</i> ”, she is one tidy town.
Favorite Hatton?	Me baby, yeah! Sorry Jase.
Five people I’d invite to a dinner or cocktail party?	The Krepapas (a good stand up man – if he can stand up) and some chicks – Madonna (she can be my material girl), Drew Barrymore and that Hilary Swank of skank, Paris Hilton . And Jennifer Hawkins can suit up for good measure. Hey man, we didn’t come here to eat!
Complete this sentence...”I couldn’t live without...”my family.

ON THE REX HUNT

Follow *Brad Star* in the Darwin Carnival – next start in the Derby this Saturday.

An omen bet for Tigers players and fans alike and won by 5 lengths in the Guineas (1600m) Saturday week ago. But he won like a good thing and hit the line harder than **Robert Downey Jr** and looks as if the 2000m of the Derby will suit him so get out that pocket money & leg on board kids – well at least before *one* family does!

The Whisper: **Does anyone still think that Geelong can’t win the AFL Flag in 07? The Grawl’s tip West Coast - now looking as shaky as Muhammad Ali in a vibrating chair. And does anyone still think Essendon can finish higher than the high-flying Hawks in 2007? If so come and speak to the Grawl immediately and we’ll talk turkey!**

ODD SOCKS

THE NIGHTCLIFF COMMITTEE FINANCIAL TIP OF THE WEEK

Never lend your Gold card to a bitter ex-girlfriend or boyfriend (or both).

THE NIGHTCLIFF SHOPPING CENTRE WORD OF THE WEEK:

jabroni

Thought to have its origins from professional Wrestling, being a wrestler who loses a contest in order to make another wrestler look good – also called a *jobber*. Basically though it seems to now be a reference to a bit of a loser.

Ja-bro-nee

An example of its use might be, “C’mon *Jamesey* ya *jabroni*, give up champ - no means no buddy, lets go to the Vic!”

IT WON'T HAPPEN OVERNIGHT...

But it will happen! Okay, we can't really back that up now. Here's the blue print though...

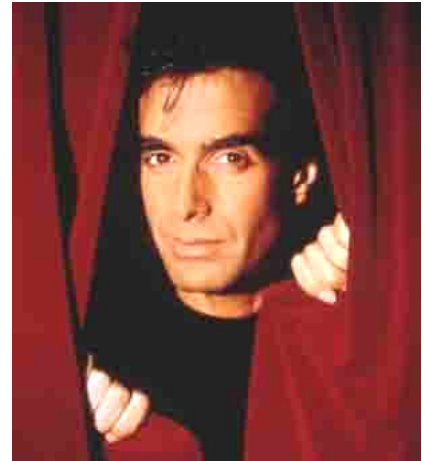


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JOKES

IF COMPUTERS WERE CARS

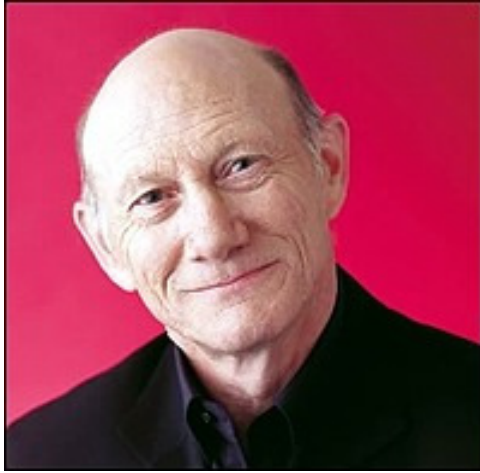
At a recent computer exposition (COMDEX), **Bill Gates** reportedly compared the computer industry with the auto industry and stated: "If **General Motors** had kept up with the technology like the computer industry has, we would all be driving \$25.00 cars that got 1,000 miles to the gallon."

In response to Bill's comments, **GM** issued a press release stating: "*If General Motors had developed technology like **Microsoft**, we would all be driving cars with the following characteristics*":

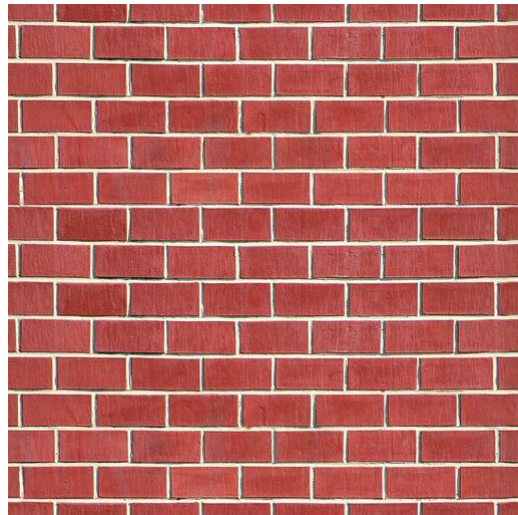
1. For no reason whatsoever, your car would crash twice a day.
2. Every time they repainted the lines in the road, you would have to buy a new car.
3. Occasionally your car would die on the freeway for no reason. You would have to pull over to the side of the road, close all of the windows, shut off the car, restart it, and reopen the windows before you could continue. For some reason you would simply accept this.
4. Occasionally, executing a maneuver such as a left turn would cause your car to shut down and refuse to restart, in which case you would have to reinstall the engine.
5. **Macintosh** would make a car that was powered by the sun, was reliable, five times as fast and twice as easy to drive - but would run on only five percent of the roads.
6. The oil, water temperature, and alternator warning lights would all be replaced by a single "General Protection Fault" warning light.
7. The airbag system would ask "*Are you sure?*" before deploying.
8. Occasionally, for no reason whatsoever, your car would lock you out and refuse to let you in until you simultaneously lifted the door handle, turned the key and grabbed hold of the radio antenna.
9. Every time GM introduced a new car, car buyers would have to learn to drive all over again because none of the controls would operate in the same manner as the old car.
10. You'd have to press the "Start" button to turn the engine off.

LOOK-ALIKES

Can you spot the difference?



Flick your eyes back & forward really quickly between the above for about 10 seconds – freaky!



THE END. NO MORE. ALL GONE.