



The Duck Shooter

Cricket Wickets

Well done to the cricket wicket curators over the last few weeks. It has been a taxing time but a good individual effort from “John the Pom” has been the difference! John’s got his inherited problems at SRM, but if anyone can fix them, John can.

The Duckshooter’s Duck!

As promised in my first edition the duck shooter is looking out for Golden Ducks! GB’s Pom, Josh Rushmore is our first entrant for the season! Rushmore was facing Lake View’s Pom, Mickey Allen and Josh didn’t want to know about it! He was cleaned up first nut, after getting bowled. The Duckshooter’s advice “Don’t let em go on the stumps Josh”!

A Wet Start

It has been a wet start to the season. However thanks to a new set of covers we have only lost one game. From what I have seen, this is a coup for the Association, that we have these in place. Let’s

hope they save many more games from being washed out!!! Lake View stalwart, Bulla McGregor use to say “it don’t rain enough in Kalgoorlie to have covers”! Well done to Big Bird and Jonesy on sourcing the covers and for arranging the sponsorship of them.

Jonno’s Number One

Chris Johnston has proved beyond doubt that he is the No 1 batsman in Kalgoorlie. Batting without a helmet a couple of weeks ago, Jonno played a very impressive innings against the competitions best bowling attack, Lake View. If he gets away early, he will put you to the sword!

Very Good Recruit

David Lemm’s recruiting of Durham’s Mickey Allen has produced early dividends for the Viewers. Allen along with Sam Stephenson played with Lemm in the Northumberland-Tyneside Cricket league in Durham UK for Annfield Plain Cricket Club. Allen’s performance will no doubt make the EGCA selectors sit up and take notice to be the overseas player for representative cricket this season. In making 50 and taking 5fa against GB’s the duck shooter thinks he is a certainty!!!

GB’s Drink Cart

What a good idea. GB’s new cart was no sooner on SRM before it was banned. Someone from the Council informed GB’s that it was not allowed on the field, so that was that. The curator was under instructions from the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder to remove it from the playing arena. The Duckshooter thinks it is a good idea and great fun for popular GB member “Wayno” to have a day out!

Bowlers on Top

What is happening to our batsmen this year? Last Saturday, nineteen batsmen failed to score a run, then six batsmen made one. So between twenty five batsmen, six runs were made. What’s the problem? It’s not the pitches. Have the bowlers improved since last

year, or has the standard of batting dropped? I think so. Big improvements are required ASAP!

All Out For 41

Is this possible? Yes it is. Lake View's A Grade total last Saturday was just that, forty one. How did this happen? Although they were missing three good players, it was no excuse for that total. I feel for Zane, but this display of undisciplined, and lack of application gives him a chance to sort the boys from the men. A couple of nights on the Cruickshank's trotting track could be on the cards. Run Forrest Run!!!!

Danny Campo

Out of form or out of favour – either way Danny Campo is an A Grade Player. Regardless of his performance last weekend, Campo will and should be back in the A's. Rumour says Danny dropped himself to the reserves, but common sense says he will be back sooner rather than later. Campo is a good person as well as a great GB Clubman.

Century to Brabazon

Chris Brabazon returned to cricket last weekend with a century for Claremont-Nedlands. Brabazon has been in the UK playing around London. He is a former two time North Kalgoorlie premierships batsman and is also a very high level cricket coach at Claremont.

North Kal Back?

North Kalgoorlie A's had their first win last Saturday. North will not be easy beats and will pay a big part as the season progresses. North surprisingly declared after they passed Lake View's score. I for one could not and did not agree with the decision. However, with three players (batsmen) all destined to leave early for various reasons, an excuse this time was in order. Captain, Nick Willis, says this will not happen again. I for one hope so, as the ground, the wicket and the weather were perfect.

North in Whites

I hope the power to be people at North's continue to have their team play in white. They look like a cricket team – certainly different from the Christmas tree look of the other clubs. Colours are okay for the 20/20s, but not in the longer form of the game. Take a look at the friendly colours, they look awful and untidy. The EGCA needs to look more professional, reverse this colour rubbish and have the clubs back in white with club hats in colour.

No Duck

No first ball ducks were recorded last weekend. So as I mentioned earlier, Josh Rushmore stays at the top as our first and only Golden Duck. So out of all the nineteen ducks last week, Josh is still on his own. If I have missed any GOLDEN's then do in your mates to EGCA Chairman Andrew Zafer and he will let me know.

Keep Shooting,

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