



# Red Star Observer

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Newsletter of the Reds Cricket Club  
“Win Nervously, Lose Tragically”

## A Grade Match Report

### CURRENT MATCHES

Reds 7-340 (Kahn 56 Davies 55 Bevis 54) v Power House

A:

Sat 29 Nov 2008 1:00 PM,  
Sat 6 Dec 2008 1:00 PM

Power House v Reds

Venue: Fawkner Park  
1, Armadale Street, South  
Yarra [Melway 2L B6]

*‘Why would anyone take a cricket bat to a wedding?’*

*Saturday 12.30*

Arrive at number 1 (home of park cricket) to the usual post rain number 1 pitch where rain got under the covers and we wait for an hour for it to be barely playable. Trotts last night advised of his theory that 7 out of 10 times the coin face down before tossing lands up. My theory is that after 5 heads in a row regression to the mean must mean a tail is due. Miller holds the coin head up so I call tales. Heads and he bats and departs the scene with unhidden joy having spent an hour saying the pitch would be fine by 2 as it was last week (despite his team having a massive collapse when it went out to bat at 2 last week). I skulk off and wonder if we can get even half way to our top score of the year of 40% of bugger all (we actually got to 178 in one game, 130 best after that). The first few overs look bad. The powder attack is not what it was but nick is being rapped on the gloves by well pitched cutting deliveries and Alec is berating himself.

C:

Sat 29 Nov 2008 1:00 PM,  
Sat 6 Dec 2008 1:00 PM

Reds v Power House

Venue: Edmund Herring  
Memorial Oval, Domain  
Road, South Yarra [Melway  
2K K2]

*Saturday 3 pm*

Things are looking actually ok. Diabolical events surely beckon but we’ve survived the first hour and change bowlers are on protecting temporarily our stylish dashers (aka intellectually unencumbered).

D:

Sat 29 Nov 2008 1:00 PM,  
Sat 6 Dec 2008 1:00 PM

Monash Uni Gryphons v Reds

Venue: Fawkner Park  
2, Slater Street, South Yarra  
[Melway 2L B5]

## A GRADE RESULTS

*Reds 7-340 (Kahn 56  
Davies 55 Bevis 54) v  
Power House*

*Burnley 5-dec-146  
(P.Maloney 54\*) v Melb  
Uni 64 (Mendo 5-18) & 1-  
46*

*Emmanuel 127 v Monash  
Uni 3-46*

*Indigos 165 (V.Singh 50  
Cherry 5-40) v Sacred  
Heart 4-81*

*Salesian OB 324 (Hart 114  
Krishnan 108) v Carnegie*

### *Saturday 4pm*

Our two best batsmen have to leave at 5 and 6 so best team man Nick sacrifices his wicket by walking down the pitch and pretending to play and miss a non turner from a non leg spinner. So Caps has a chance to make runs, he gets away with a couple of iffy shots but puts his head down gets his eye in and gives himself every chance. Alec, the only batsmen experienced in these conditions and mentally pre-disposed to preparing for extreme difficulty in everything has been dropped a couple of times after 'guiding his edges to the slip who couldn't catch'.

*Tea  
2 for 120*

### *Saturday 5pm*

After Cap's perfectly positioned 49 Brent follows the trend of blocking very safely and picking his balls while He Who Must Be Named pushes and does turn over the strike sensibly. Brent eyes the 'leg spinner', a nut a little too keen on his chances, and Mielak, a dreadful bowler who of course often takes wickets against batsmen rattled by the tight bowling at the other end. He almost gets to fifty before Voltemort and is cashing in on his vast talent and returning his street value.

### *Saturday 6pm*

Things are moving along completely smoothly. The MMOC has not occurred (therefore Steve and Darce win shared man of the match award regardless of even someone getting a 10 for), Alec has gone so that things can pick up and the brilliant start him (it?) and nick gave us can be fully utilised. Darcy Bales and ol uncle Steve Davies get a start and their cool heads don't over attack but we move along at a perfect rate. (diversion: we arrived at the ground with the powder scoreboard still showing the 240 off 57 overs. We laughed heartily imagining it were our score while waiting for the water logged pitch to dry having mostly scored barely half that this season. We in fact passed that score during the 58<sup>th</sup> over.) Blair comes in to prove a steady head, after a 2 over panic from the intolerant and suspicious of any person with a red cap on his head and a bat in his hand bowlers union foreseeing the traditional using of a tired bowling attack for steady batting practice Blair and Steve then Squid and Tomek throw the bat and get our score to an incredible 340!! What a day. We have enough

beer in the fridge and everyone stays for a brilliant evening.



## C GRADE RESULTS

*Reds 75 v Power House 61 & 82*

*Parkville Dist 180 (Maddison 55) v Carnegie 1-16*

*Burnley 125 & 4-48 v Hydro Flow 106*

*Bentleigh 1-161 (Coppens 65\* Glew 55\*) d Youlden-Parkville 149*

*Coles 155 (Hutchesson 54\*) d S.Yarra 9-cc-145*

### **Sunday 6.30am**

Wake in fright. It was all a dream. After 3 wickets in the first over from an unpayable seaming delivery and injudicious desperate swipes outside off stump we rally but then have the mandatory middle order collapse. I've been dismissed plumb LB for a hat trick for the second time this year and we are all out for 80 after Tomek is reported 7 times after being dismissed caught behind from a ball the bounces 3 times on the way to cover. Miller having won the toss and now batting on a dry placid pitch punishes our young attack and powder finish the day on 1 for 149 eyeing an outright next week. John Howard is in his fifth term and after extending the IR laws to include the controversial maximum wage has decreed compulsory church attendance and outlawed the teaching of evolution. Jeb Bush has won the 08 election in a landslide after terrorist attacks destroyed 2/3rds of Europe and with a filibuster proof 30 majority in the Senate has outlawed thought. The digital revolution never occurred after George Bush Snr banned the internet in his second term and I'm working in Geelong stamping and filing invoices. Where would we be if we couldn't dream? At least I felt content in blissful slumber for a few hours. I hear one of the four kids crying. The pneumonia has not improved. Things have been a little rough after Kate left me for that BMW dealer after I did 6 months when caught with ½ a gram of weed at that Cold Chisel reunion concert in Johnson's Park. Better brave the cold and go for the hour wait at the

Grovedale GP. I wish the 8 year drought would break so I could play cricket again, I kind of miss it.

- Brett Byrne

### ***5/13ths through season review***

Having no game on this afternoon gives the perfect opportunity to replace the usual impossible to understand if you weren't there match reporting and do a sound, clear, concise and easily digestible almost mid season review.

#### **D GRADE RESULTS**

*Reds 6-325 (Bull 97\*  
Rogerson 94 I.Clark 59) v  
Monash Uni*

*Hydro Flow 218 v  
Barnawartha 80 & 6-26*

*Sacred Heart 156 v  
Canterbury 0-41*

*Parkville Dist 117 (Rees  
72\* S.Leydon 5-35) d  
Burnley 103 (Irving 50)*

We started the season out at Emmanuel with 2 blokes Tobe and Blobbsy at the ground 10 mins before the start. We were quickly 7 for 13 roughly. The only way seemed to be up from here but this was a forlorn hope. We soon had no hopes left to dash which is always when we are at our most dangerous. Round 2 saw us finish within 200 hundred of the opposition at Carnegie. I don't remember winning a game at these grounds for years so on par at this stage. The next 2 though were against teams I rarely remember losing to so behind par after 4 games. We were a fair bit better than rnd 5 (most recent) games opponents Melb Uni but were washed out which seemed as likely to happen as Brent and Nick swapping occupations, so slight misfortune and much chance to deny responsibility for our predicament. This would still have left us 2 behind par so we are going to have to beat top teams to get back on track. Actually winning a game however is possibly ahead on the needs hierarchy.

A distinct change of vibe occurred in round 4. This was the point when having lost Ross and rounds 1-3 we were paying very good odds to go into complete disarray and have infighting and sackings and coups and general looting of each others' valuables. Somehow out of nowhere a balanced and handy team emerged. An extensive Obama style headhunting search and vetting process was employed and after rigorous testing and interviewing of thousands of young players throughout the world found some recruits and we finished the match with very decent looking batting and bowling line-ups. (translation we nicked 2 blokes who hadn't warranted a game from the c grade because we literally had no one else to play and the paper assets we already had finally found a bit of touch (except me but good form is always one very lucky game

away so no need to change potentially almost competent techniques).

Current hopes may be dashed at any moment but as of this going to print fantastic analysis and justifications happily can be written.

Despite the large score we conceded on the first day of said round 4 everyone did enjoy the day quite a lot and saw some signs and we left in rather jovial spirits (in contrast to the previous week where the captain was thought of by some to be despotic and unilateralist, an extraordinary allegation considering I hadn't given approval for any of these people to speak).

This vibe carried through to the next week, unfortunately it didn't translate into actual runs for anyone in the first innings which due to administrative vagaries are when the points are given. But by the end of the second innings and avoidance of the outright we had Brent, Nick, Sam, Caps and Toby all having had some slightly confidence building time in the middle. So the top order now has the vague resemblance of a top order which is more than a reds captain can hope for. The attack of Tobes (getting closer

to his very good best despite limping around with a dodgy knee while denying it is any reason to be bowled for less than 23 overs a session) Tomek (slightly off match fitness blaming medication for this just to ease concerns it wasn't really him – has a good opening spell in him and has taken up off spin as a compliment, the spin is very handy helped by the 2 golden rules of MCA spin bowling: 1. It doesn't have to spin 2. The IQ of any batsman plummets to single figures whenever a spinner is brought on.

Those of us who know him could have easily guessed he would be very good at this because he always was remarkably gifted, just the minor handicap of being completely and utterly insane brings his impact on a game back to the level of the rest of us, wonderfully exemplified last season when he was unplayable for 3 months then couldn't buy a wicket at a sub prime financial institution asset sale in the PL period – 'post loss of ability to reason'. I for one am extremely glad to have him back (see lament on lack of madness this year in general below). Coops (apparently very keen to play has been picked a few times and almost lead the attack with sharp probing bowling but hasn't actually been sighted at all, he has hardly bowled a bad ball though) Brad (see the 2 rules of MCA spin bowling, he is an old style leg spinner tossing up garbage and good toughies, his 4 for 70 odd off 16 from 2 games is a top start – years off

## OTHER INFO

*Ladders:*

<http://tinyurl.com/5az7ps>

*Scores and statistics:*

<http://tinyurl.com/6z98e6>

*Wet Weather Line: 1900-939238 after 9.45am on match day*

*Season fixture:*

<http://tinyurl.com/6edjre>

*Reds website:*

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watching Ross and Warney made us forget dross is a big part of a spinners armoury and that normal spinners can't be kept on too long because as we know from batting after 4 or so overs we realise the guy is selling us snake oil and we belt his short and full balls like we should have all along), Squid (despite appearing to be suffering the effects of a 6 month sail here without any fruit stocked he has a brilliantly deceptive and economical run in then bowls left arm quite sharp with very good bounce from a length, he is the key to our attack having variety and therefore having any effect breaking as he does the 8 slow medium right arm short bowler nexus) Me (finding fitness and form, getting compliments for not being quite as slow as in the first few games – there are endless requests for me to bowl more, I haven't established the motivation for them yet but remain very suspicious, are now said with slightly straighter faces which is very encouraging – I went a whole net last week without Alec asking me to go to the other net and get him someone reasonable pace to face) and of course the wonderfully entertaining and inspiring Blair (concerns have been expressed by a variety of people including him and no one else that he has been criminally under bowled, his sparse use however has been because of rumours that bowling coach Troy Cooley's spies gave up on their mission to dress as drunks at Arden Street and steal Dion Newburn's bowling secrets and have been wandering around Melbourne with cameras trying to discover the magic ingredient that makes Blair's bowling so devastating, he has therefore been kept under wraps until intelligence arrives that Troy has given up again and moved on to figure out how Panda makes the ball sometimes get to the other end of the net with his dubious right armers – the zero wins record could have been avoided its true if Blair had have been released but instead we cunningly waited until Carnegie had already beaten us then got him to deliberately be hit for 22 off an over by Jazzy as a matter of prudence) oh and the only fit bloke Kenno (is also hopefully around more having been tied up with study for the first part of the season, in the first game I suggested he was a way off his very good best having not been able to train and that medium bowlers need a lot of recent overs in their legs to play to their potential, he duly disappeared and was not sighted at training or games for 3 weeks then returned to dispel this truism by bowling beautifully with accuracy and movement being the pick of the bowlers against whatever hacks we played that week – Sacred Heart I think, the team

established by Jason Evans having as its motto 'we haven't sacked Jason yet because we are brand new', but enough about Jason and if the mole is reading this pls tell Jason I didn't know the bloke's mate's brother had cancer and therefore had every right to be playing)

We've also managed to stabilise the bleeding from dropped catches and missed stumpings and miss fields so even the fielding is getting good\*.

It seems like absolute heresy to say it but the reason we shouldn't go down to B grade (Ross) is absent most of this season so the issue is worth considering. We are not a really strong team at the moment but most players are able to match it at A grade level. We aren't often able to make the finals since the long seam bowler famine began with the drought of a few years ago sending most of us medium pacers to self destructive disturbing behaviour patterns but that's more because other teams have people who concentrate and bat for long periods of time (where are the days when we could rely on 160 being enough because batsmen for other teams batted like true park cricketers and accommodatingly tossed their wicket away when we were in any danger of getting a little tired in the field). Our blokes aren't lesser batsmen than the good teams we just slightly lack belligerent refusers to give their wicket away ala J Todd (most belligerent batsman in cricket, enough already on the acronyms though) who can actually score runs (rather than stay in for 100 overs for 27). Anyway by the time this has to be revisited *he'll* back and the issue will be moot. Therefore this paragraph can probably be ignored if it wasn't being already.

Minor issues:

There's been an appalling lack of opportunity to get stuck into Alec's madness, only one game from Voldemort and he took a catch and gave us a good start with the bat alas (he showed no sign of walking to a toilet 100 metres away when he was about to bat even!) Nige in the C's, Tomek in the sin bin. A shortage of insanity on the whole hopefully slightly alleviated by this report. Mad Tom Clarke was a rare source of true madness in the A grade last year with the C grade greedily taking most of it, but he went completely mad and requested demotion to the C grade then by-passed Rhidian wisely to demotion

to oblivion. Ashan strangely did the same in solidarity with Tom after being promoted to the A grade and bringing the field in to go for a hat trick after taking the just the first wicket. Nigel did a 'power spew' (source D Scorge) in an attempt to hold things together and force guilt on the opposition that pointlessly kept his team out there long after the game was decided, but he has been distracted by a complete lack of any form with ball or bat. We had 2 players reported in the first 2 games but they were only trivial really, and the involvement of Schreier from Emmanuel brings into question whether we added to the madness at all on that occasion. We resorted to playing with only 9 blokes in the only game we were going to win to minimise incompetence levels and then debated whether on not to bring on the tenth man at 5 o'clock and spoil the numeracy of our day, but real madness has been hard to find. Recent returns give hope in this area however. But past players are called upon to do their bit, specifically R Lane, M Leone, P Bickle, S Roberts, Chief, J Todd, D Carling, Freight Train, Run Machine, inter many many alia. People, get involved please. I don't know who we play next week but a win is just round the corner if you want something to look at on a Saturday afternoon.

## C Grade Match Report

*Reds 75 v Power House 61 & 82*

## D Grade Match Report

*Reds 6-325 (Bull 97\* Rogerson 94 I.Clark 59) v Monash Uni*

Playing cricket in the park can often leave a person in a moment of stunned disbelief, questioning what they have just been told or heard (and this goes beyond just listening to Tomek).

First it was Will's mother Jen telling me 30 minutes before the start that Will would be in Sydney next week, which after the weeks usual selection drama's, poised its own problems, but Will went on to redeem himself in glorious

terms. Secondly, Richard Lovett committed an act of cultural treachery when confessing he would be barracking for the Wallabies overnight, which got a suitable response from the men in red. Thirdly, the Monash Captain who won the toss and said “we’ll bowl!” – I thought “thank you”.

Fawkner Park number 2 was its usual flat firm green self, the only issue being some slow parts in the outfield.

If man-love is all the vogue for openers in the modern game, then Woody and Mr Cricket are the Matt and Justin of the park. Chasing another sparkling start, Woody stretched a bit too much in the opening over and tickled a short wide ball to the keeper to be 1-0 after the first over. Mr Cricket was joined by Rogo, freed from parenting duties, and they hunkered down in solid fashion to make an impressive 50 run partnership. Mr Cricket continuing his stellar form before falling to slip. Then it was a case of the old firm of Rogo and Panda who took full advantage of the now glorious conditions and posted what may be a record partnership in excess of 130 before Panda went for a sparkling 59, Rogo carried on and was unfortunately caught a mid-wicket for a p.b. of 94. I am tempted to suggest that the innings deserved an extra 6 runs, but am reminded of William Money out of Missouri – deserve’s got nothing to do with it!

REDS 3-200, just half way through the afternoon.

If we thought the game couldn’t get any better, the Young Guns: Will and Tom entertained and inspired the team for the rest of the afternoon with yet another century partnership. They simply batted and ran the Monash team into limp submission before flaying the bowling and taking the REDS to a score of 300. Tom held the partnership together with a well made score of 21 whilst Will grabbed the glory with 97n.o. in a great team performance. REDS finished the day at 6-325 and with a real chance to give the Monash Gryph’s a real going over next week now that our bowling attack has been bolstered by the return of the other hyphen. As if one Thurlow-Cole was enough, now there are two!

Clearly Will has redeemed himself prior to his absence this week; I’m sure the

Monash Captain will be throwing away his tattered copy of “Pearson’s Strategic Guide to Cricket Booklet” and Richard Lovett will be set to produce the fielding display of his career.

- Rhidian Thomas.

PS Wales 21, Aust 18.

## Mercantile Association Roundup

### Round 6 scores

Bowlers enjoyed the first day of round 6, with the juiciest pitches in several years and few scores over 200.

A few batsmen prospered. In A grade, Salesian Old Boys and Reds ran up 300-plus totals that could send Carnegie and Power House tumbling out of the four next week. For Salesian, in-form Ashley Hart and opener Kasturi Krishnan hit centuries to set Carnegie an imposing 324. Reds went on a run-a-ball spree after tea against Power House's normally frugal attack, racing from 2-122 to 7-340 as five batsmen got past 40. Top side Burnley had no such problems. Seamer Luke Mendo ran through Melbourne Uni with 5-18 despite a remarkable lone hand by George Gabrielson, who was undefeated on 49 in the Students' 64. The Emmanuel-Monash and Indigos-Sacred Heart games are evenly poised.

The recent high scoring in B Grade came to an abrupt end, with only bottom side Power House getting a solid total on the board. Third-placed National fell to earth with a thud after two 360-plus scores, crashing to a first innings defeat by Bentleigh. Paul Critchley's half-century gave Coles the points in their top-of-the-ladder clash with Monash.

In C grade, a big stand by veterans Brad Coppens and Paul Glew took top side Bentleigh to an easy win over Youlden-Parkville. But inconsistent

Coles upset second-placed South Yarra by ten runs to throw the four wide open. The four teams below South Yarra -- Parkville, Carnegie, Burnley and Hydro Flow -- are playing each other in cut-throat games that could go either way. Reds could also charge up the ladder after thirty wickets fell in a day at Herring. Off-spinner Steve Thompson completed the day's carnage with a hat trick to finish with 3-3-3-0, after earlier batting Reds to first innings points with nine down.

C Sunday grade saw the weekend's closest games. Sacred Heart figured in yet another gripping finish, tying with Burnley after Burnley's last pair levelled the scores with a 13-run stand. South Yarra Whites, the club's fourth XI, narrowly avoided embarrassment, getting home by just one run over South Yarra Blues, the club's fifths. Second-placed Month Albert had a comfortable win over top side Glen Iris, while third-placed Malvern will be looking for outright points against Maccabi-Ajax who collapsed badly late in the day. Monash Uni nearly won outright in a one-day game over Emmanuel thanks to all-rounder Desai, who made 91 and took 7-19 and 2-7.

The day's most dramatic fightback came in D grade. Teenager Sean Leydon grabbed three wickets in four balls as third-placed Parkville District slumped to 8-59 in pursuit of bottom side Burnley's modest 103. Then big-hitting Daniel Rees belted an undefeated 72 to get the Parkers home after the ninth wicket fell with scores level. A pair of nineties from 15yo Will Bull and veteran Dave Rogerson has put second-placed Reds in a strong position against Monash. Top side Sacred Heart is struggling against Canterbury and could tumble several places as fourth side Hydro Flow looks set for maximum points against Barnawartha.

### **U21s just miss out**

Ringwood 170 (Kiernan 3/26, Adam 2/31, Costigan 2/42, Gatehouse 1/15) *defeated* Mercantile 163 (Baird 41, Heathcote 35, Costigan 28\*) by 7 runs.

*U21s coach James Righetti reports:*

Last week's match against BHRDCA was postponed due to bad weather,

which therefore meant that the MCA U21 side arrived at Brighton Beach oval for the first match of the Neil Wright Shield against Ringwood.

Having lost the toss, the MCA boys took to the field looking for early wickets. Within the first over Emmanuel all-rounder Tom Costigan struck to have Ringwood reeling at 1-1. Only three overs later the emphasis placed on fielding became abundantly clear when Sultan Kirby (Glen Iris) had the other opener run out at the bowler's end. Ringwood needed a partnership and it came as Noy & Ott put on 74 for the third wicket. It took another sensational run out, this time from Tim Heathcote (Melb Uni) to break the dangerous pair, allowing the MCA to claw Ringwood back. Some tight bowling by skipper Cam Adam (Glen Iris), Will Kiernan (Malvern) and Scott Gatehouse (Glen Iris) had Ringwood steadily losing wickets throughout the rest of the innings. To add to the two run outs, Will Kiernan took a sensational one-handed catch well behind his head, stunning everyone around the ground, only to be bettered overs later by Glen Iris' Lachie Ferguson, who sprinted back with the flight of a swirling ball before diving and at full stretch reining it in. The fact that the boys identified fielding as the area they wished to dominate, and rose to the challenge, is testament to how mature this young group is. Ringwood finished with a respectable 170.

The boys recognised that a good start was needed, and it duly came on the third ball of the day when Ringwood's stand-out bowler Collins dropped one short to Tom McDermott (Glen Iris). Tom not only hooked the ball for six, but he cleared the ground, the boundary fence, the train line and the road before the ball landed somewhere near the beach. Collins learnt from his mistake, unfortunately, and two overs later was on a hat-trick, having clean-bowled young Glen Iris opener Nick Jamieson and, on the following ball, MCA skipper Cam Adam. McDermott had also been claimed, leaving the MCA in trouble at 3/17. Andrew Baird & Tim Heathcote set about rebuilding our innings and put together a sensational 68 run stand. Both boys batted with a mix of control, placement and destructive hitting. When both batsmen fell looking to increase the rate, MCA looked to be in massive trouble. But youngsters Lachie Ferguson

and Tom Costigan, whose 30 run partnership equated to their combined ages, simply smashed the Ringwood bowlers. Despite a tense last over where anything looked possible, MCA ended the innings all out on 163, just seven runs short.

We will certainly learn a lot from this match. The boys know they're capable of playing a very high standard of cricket, and other than a couple of patchy overs, there was very little to split the two sides.

Many thanks to team manager Mick Costigan for doing absolutely everything, and to squad members Will Bull & Lach St Clair for supporting the boys. Next week sees us take on Southern Churches at Monash University, Clayton. Support would be greatly appreciated. Burnley has set a big score for fourth-placed Malvern to chase outright, after losing outright in a day last round.

### **U21 Wright Shield side and replacements**

The final squad for the U21 representative team will be announced via the MCA website on Monday/Tuesday. All clubs are requested to view the website. Those selected in the squad are required at training on Wednesday night, 7pm-9pm. The first shield match is this Sunday.

All clubs should be aware of the replacement rule (rule 2.4), which states that those players selected to represent the MCA next Sunday who are currently involved in a two-day match can be fully replaced by any player who has played MCA at the same or lower level this season. For example:

If Tom played this weekend and was not-out overnight, next week his

replacement will be able to continue his innings, bowl and wicket-keep.

MyCricket allows extra players to be listed, and "retired not out" should be used for any not-out batsmen who are called away for U21 duty.

If there are any concerns or queries with the replacement rule, please contact Match Secretary Alec Kahn.

The final XII for the first Wright Shield match will be announced via the website after Wednesday training. Captains of players selected in the XII who have concerns about player workloads should then contact James Righetti to discuss the issue.

All members of the MCA are invited to show their support for their U21 representatives at Toorak Park next Sunday, when we take on Box Hill Reporter. The next two weekends see us tackle Ringwood at Brighton, then Southern Churches at Monash Uni.

- Alec Kahn

## Sundries

Looking at the Greens website, why wouldn't you vote for Tobes? Send him to Canberra, I say.



“Toby Archer - North-East Ward

*Toby is a policy worker for a community legal service where he works to improve the rights of public and private renters and campaigns for more affordable housing. He lives in Coburg.*

*Toby was The Greens candidate for Wills in the 2004 Federal Election. He has been involved in local campaigns on sustainable transport and public open space.*

*Toby is passionate about making Moreland a more environmentally and socially just city – he believes local government can help residents create the city they want to live in. His priorities are restructuring Council's community committees to give them real decision-making powers and fighting for a better deal from the state government on planning, transport and social services. He will continue to fight to save the parklands on the Merri and Edgar's Creek in Coburg North.*

*"The City of Moreland can lead the fight against climate change, the crippling price of petrol and the obesity crisis. We need to improve local sports and recreation facilities as well as bike and foot paths, and invest in public transport to give people the choice to leave the car at home.*

## Ladders

A Grade		B Grade		C Grade		D Grade	
<b>Indigos</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Monash</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Bentleigh</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Reds</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Burnley</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Coles</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Carnegie</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Canterbury</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Power House</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>National</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>S.Yarra</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Monash</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Bentleigh</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Hydro Flow</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Hydro Flow</b>	<b>8</b>
Carnegie	8	Gunbower	4	Coles	6	Sacred Heart	8
Emmanuel	4	Burnley	4	Youlden-Pkv	4	Parkville D	6
Salesian OB	4	Power House	0	Reds	4	Barnawartha	4
Monash	4	Sacred Heart	0	Parkville D	4	Burnley	0
Melb Uni	4			Burnley	4		
Reds	0			Power House	0		