



# NORTH SHORE CRICKET CLUB

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### Latest news

There is little in the way of on field action to report given the continuing monsoon. B Grade had a good go at defying the elements to get a game in on Sunday but unfortunately, the laws of physics won that particular battle. Things did dry out enough for a casual single wicket competition, narrowly won by Ali Youssofzay and Keith Seghers.



Kurt, Dutts and Ali refuse to be beaten

### The Road to the Finals

With just two rounds to go below is the state of play in each of the grades.

#### A Grade

A Grade sit in third place in the ladder and are virtually assured of making the finals. The last two games are against The Bats and Mosman, the teams that currently fill the bottom two places in the ladder and favourable results could see a second place finish.

For the third year running, a semi final against Cammeray is on the cards. Hopefully it will be third time lucky having gone out in the semis for the last two years.

In the one day competition, A Grade are top of the ladder and a win in the final game against bottom place Mosman would seal the one day trophy for the third year in a row.

#### A Reserve

The A Reserve competition seem to have suffered more than most from the weather and the ladder is extremely close. In simple terms, a win in Round 13 against Old Ignatians is vital if A Reserve are to make it to the finals. A loss will mean that the results in various games in the last round will need to go the right way in order to make it.

A Reserve are topping the one day ladder and can wrap up the title with a final day win against last placed Cammeray.

#### B Grade

B Grade are second in the ladder and with two big wins could sneak the minor premiership. Winless Cammeray are the opposition in Round 13 and victory would set up an exciting last round. Defeat could mean a tense match against 5<sup>th</sup> place Bears in the last game of the season

In the one day competition, a bonus point win in the last game of the season would secure the title.

#### B Reserve

For the first time in three years there will be no B Reserve team in the finals. Having slipped down to 7<sup>th</sup> in the table and with a bye in the final round, the season will finish with a game against table toppers Old Ignatians.

#### B2

B2 will also be absent from the finals and will look to win their final one day game against Central to end on a high. B2 have a bye in round 13.

#### C1 Day

The One Day team are the undoubted success of the season. Having finished last in 2006/7 they are now assured of finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the ladder. Bottom placed Bats are the opponents in the last game and the One Day Grade will be looking for a big win to go into the semi final full of confidence.

Whilst the opponents will not be known until after the last game we do know that the semi final will be played on Sunday February 24<sup>th</sup> at Blackman Oval in Lane Cove. As no other grades are playing that day, if you are not involved why not grab a chair and some beers, pop on your North Shore shirt and come down on to cheer your clubmates on.

### Unavailability & Training

Training will continue each Tuesday & Thursday to the end of the season. Even if your team's season ends early please do try to keep coming to support the rest of the club as we look to better last year's trophy haul.

With a lot of crucial games to come please check the unavailability list on the club website and let us know if this is not up to date. Let's try to have 11 on the field for each and every grade for the rest of the season.