

Castle Hill Softball Club Inc.

# Squeeze Play

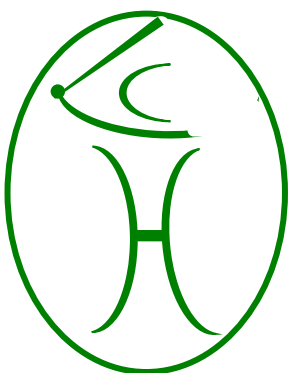


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If you are rostered on for an umpiring duty, please make sure you wear closed-in shoes and sign-on at the table outside the canteen at least 15 minutes prior to the game. Sign-on inside the canteen for canteen duties.

**Failure to complete a duty may result in the club being fined.**



## A super successful Round 8!

Congratulations to everyone for making it through the half-way point of the season! In particular, a special congratulations to our Mixed Division 3 team who had their first win of the season last week!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the fundraiser round this year, with the association raising a total of \$3,580 for the Children's Hospital at Westmead. Everyone looked fantastic in their colours, and our Men's team finished it off with some great tutus and fuzzy pink beanies!

To those of you who are a part of team management (coach, assistant coach, manager, and/or scorer), please make sure you have applied for a Working With Children Check, or have a current WWCC number. When you have this number and its expiry date, please email it through to the club email address. All those in team manage-

ment positions also need to be registered online (if you are not already registered as a player). Can you please make sure that you are registered before 2017 (this does NOT apply to team managers). Look out for emails regarding this in the next week or so.

Now that we are past the half-way point of the season, I thought you might all like to know where our teams are currently sitting on their respective points ladders! If you want to keep track of the games and ladders, these can be found in the 'Results' section of the Cumberland Nepean website. Keep up the great work everyone!!

Junior Boys: 4th place.  
Ladies B Grade: 5th place.  
Ladies A Reserve: 4th place.  
Mixed Division 3: 5th place.  
Mixed Division 2: 2nd place.  
Men's Division 2: 4th place.

## This Week: 2-3 December 2016

Team	Game	Diamond	Duties	Plate
<b>Men's Division 2</b>	SG Friday 9:00pm vs. Cruisers Black	2		
<b>Junior Boys Combo</b>	IPP Saturday 11:00am vs. Cruisers / Greystanes	9		
<b>Ladies B Grade</b>	IPP Saturday 12:30pm vs. Eagles	6		
<b>Ladies A Reserve</b>	SG Saturday 12:45pm vs. Phoenix	2	SG Ground Set-Up @ 12:00pm; Canteen SG @ 2:00pm-3:30pm	-
<b>Mixed Division 3</b>	IPP Saturday 2:00pm vs. Quakers Hill Blue	9		
<b>Mixed Division 2</b>	SG Saturday 3:45pm vs. Greystanes	4	Umpiring SG @ 2:15pm, Diamond 4; Canteen SG @ 5:00pm-6:30pm	Aimee

**Please Note: You must be 13 years or older to do an Umpiring or Canteen duty.**

## Match Reports

### FRIDAY NIGHT GAME

#### **Men's Division 2 vs. Cruisers Blue**

Loss 15-8

MVP: Matthew Nicholls

This was a very competitive match for our Men's Division 2 team, and the score doesn't really reflect just how close the game really was! After a bit of a slow start, we had some really great hits with the bat, especially Bren (a line drive back past the pitcher's feet), Danny (a stand-up triple to the fence at centre field), Carlos (a double to left field), Leanie (a single to deep left field and a double to centre field, that looked a lot like a magnificent cricket shot), and Allan (two great doubles to left field). Every single person managed to get on base at least once, and you can see our base running improving so much every week! Even with this great hitting however, they managed to hold us to only one run per innings—with the exception of the third innings, where we came out on fire, scoring five runs across the plate!

We had some great moments in the field as well, with Allan at left field, and Dante and Sean at right field, getting a great run with over half of the hits heading their way! Matt (Junior) had a fantastic full game at the pitcher's plate, with Danny, Carlos, and Bren all teaming up for a number of infield outs. We held them to only two and three runs each innings for most of the game, and coming into the final innings we were only down by one run. Unfortunately though, we couldn't hold back the Cruiser's hitting abilities, allowing them to score six runs across the plate in the last 15 minutes of the game.

Congratulations men - I am really proud of how well you are all progressing each week, and how much we are improving as a team overall! Thank you especially to Leanie for filling in for us this week - it is always a blast having you in the team! Thank you as well to everyone who dressed in colours this week to end the 'Colour Me Happy' fundraiser rounds - you all looked awesome! It's a shame we can't play in pink tutus and fuzzy hats all the time!!



## Match Reports

### SATURDAY GAMES

#### **Junior Boys Combo vs. Raptors**

Loss 5-2

Such a tight game for our Junior Boys team! They played exceptionally well this week, and were unfortunate not to come away with a win. Keep up the great work boys - your club is really proud of you and how much you are improving each week!

#### **Ladies B Grade vs. Eagles / Seven Hills**

Loss by Forfeit

MVP: N/A

Unfortunately, due to a number of other commitments this week, our Ladies B Grade team did not have enough players to take the diamond. Good luck to this team next week as they get back into the swing of things!

#### **Ladies A Reserve vs. Seven Hills**

Win 11-3

MVP: Carolyn Monk

This was a very tight game against one of our veteran opposition teams, and we did really well considering we only had eight players!

We started well with the bat, scoring three runs in the first innings off great hits to Ange, Aimee, and a double over left field's head to Carolyn. Into the field and we started off a little slow, with Seven Hills punching two hits into the gap between short stop and left field. Ange and Aimee in the outfield stopped this in its tracks, however, and a double-play by Carolyn and a fly catch by Jenny ended the innings, holding Seven Hills to only one run with loaded bases stranded.

The second innings was by far our best with the bat, as we scored six runs across the plate! Everyone had a solid hit, with Aimee, Deon, Jenny, Carolyn, and Sutto all connecting to deep left field. The hit of the innings however goes to Laura, who scored a huge three-run home run to centre field (we were playing on Diamond 3 at Stanhope Gardens, and the ball finally stopped moving at the outfield fence of Diamond 1)! In the field, we unfortunately let them get the better of us with some fielding errors, although we pushed back in the end, only allowing them to score two more runs, keeping us with the lead at 9-3.

As per usual, we had our accidental third innings slump, with Deon the only person succeeding in getting on base (with a great hit through short stop and out to left field). Our only saving grace was that we held Seven Hills to no runs as well, with great fly catches to Aimee, Coombsy, and a strike-out to Laura! Thankfully this slump didn't run on into the fourth innings, and we capitalised on Seven Hill's fielding errors, scoring two more runs to take the game with a margin of more than seven. Great hits went to Jenny (single to right field), Ange (single to centre field), Laura (another single to centre field), and Deon (an awesome line drive to third base, which was unfortunately caught to end the innings). We managed to end the game with five-up three-down in the field, with great plays by Coombsy, Jenny, Laura, and a spectacular pay-back line-drive catch to Carolyn at third base.

Congratulations ladies on another great win this week - we are definitely starting to get our groove back this season!

Congratulations to each and every Castle Hill Softball Club team member each week! We hope you are having a great time and meeting new people, and we are sure you are always representing the green and white well and giving 110% for every game.

Good luck to everyone for your next game, and most importantly, have loads of fun! See you all out on the diamond!

## Match Reports

### Mixed Division 3 vs. Raptors

Win 8-7

MVP: TBC

Batting first and Darren led us away with a good double to centre field. Everyone got bat on ball from that point onwards, and with some good base running we scored seven runs across the plate!

Fielding time and we realised very quickly that Raptors were a strong hitting team. Sean had a slow start at the pitcher's plate after the week off, and a few of their boys hit some big ones to the outfield. However, after some collaboration between pitcher and catcher, they slowed their boys down and got our three outs, leaving the score at 7-4.

Again we all managed to get bat on ball, but this time around we didn't hit the fielding gaps very well, only putting one more run on the board. In the second inning, Sean continued pitching and he and Julie worked very well to keep the big boys from hitting too far. A great job by Rochelle at second base to confuse the runner and then tag him out, and then Sean struck one out to finish the inning (and the game) with us still one run ahead!

Thank you to Rochelle for playing Mixed 3 with us; she was integral in at least half our outs as well as getting on base every time she came up to bat - you are welcome back anytime! Great effort everyone as we had no subs today. Our batting was really good with everyone confident to have a crack at the pitches. If there was anything to work on, it would be running onto the ball when fielding - we tend to stand back and wait for it to come to us (case on point: me on first base that time!).

Congratulations to all on our first win of the season - let's keep that momentum going!!

### Mixed Division 2 vs. BYE

BYE

MVP: N/A

A nice rest week this round for our Mixed Division 2 team! Good luck to everyone next week when they return to the diamond for Round 9.

*Please send us through any photos each week of your games, so that we can include them in Squeeze Play!*

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