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.



We traded the heat for rain in Round 14!

Its seems ironic that after so many weeks of playing in the heat, people were wearing jumpers this weekend, and a number of the afternoon time slot games were called off due to rain and thunderstorms! Everyone has done a fantastic job over the last four rounds dealing with the weather!

Because of the storms that came over last weekend, the CNSA movie night on the diamond has been postponed to this weekend, Saturday 25 February 2017. Same time, same place - see you all there!

Given that we have had so many upsets with the weather over the last few weeks, please make sure you have your coach's contact details and have liked and follow our Facebook page (as well as the CNSA's Facebook page). We will be posting updates there regularly, and so that is the best place to get all the information when it is released.



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We are also currently having issues sending emails from the club email address, and so all important information for club members will be delivered via your coaches, Squeeze Play, Facebook, and/or on the club website!

With only one round to go before the Semi Finals, here are the current ladder positions of each of our teams (good luck!):

Junior Boys: 4th place. Ladies B Grade: 5th place. Ladies A Reserve: 4th place. Mixed Division 3: 6th place. Mixed Division 2: =1st place. Men's Division 2: 4th place.

This Week: 24-25 February 2017

Team	Game	Diamond	Duties	Plate
Men's Division 2	SG Friday 9:00pm vs. Titans	2		
Junior Boys Combo	IPP Saturday 11:00am vs. BYE	-		
Ladies B Grade	IPP Saturday 12:30pm vs. Phoenix	7	Umpiring IPP @ 2:00pm, Diamond 9	Rochelle
Ladies A Reserve	SG Saturday 12:45pm vs. Seven Hills	3	Canteen SG @ 3:30pm-5:00pm	-
Mixed Division 3	IPP Saturday 2:00pm vs. Raptors	7		
Mixed Division 2	SG Saturday 3:45pm vs. Eagles	4	Umpiring SG @ 2:15pm, Diamond 4	Michelle

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 Black

Loss by Forfeit

MVP: N/A

Unfortunately we didn't have enough people to take the diamond this week, and had to forfeit. Fingers crossed we are able to keep a hold on fourth place for the semi finals in two week's time!

SATURDAY GAMES

Junior Boys Combo vs. Cruisers / GreystanesLoss 14-6

The boys had a great game this week against Cruisers / Greystanes, and put up a great fight. Unfortunately they couldn't quite come away with the win. This was the team's last game of the regular season, as they have the BYE next week. We hope you have enjoyed your season and made a lot of new friends, and fingers crossed the team is able to make the semi finals!

Ladies B Grade vs. Eagles

Draw 11-11

MVP: Zoe Atkins Smith

With only two rounds to go before the finals start, we were looking for a win to keep us in contention this week.

Batting first, Gina got us started with a fine double, followed by solid hits to Julie, Kristy, and Rochelle, who this week only hit five foul balls in a row! Fielding time, and after four quick runs by Eagles we managed to end the innings with very fine catches to both Julie and Zoe.

After scoring three runs in the first innings, we came out swinging the bat as good as we have all season, with hits all around the park. The only way we looked like getting out in the second innings was by coach's error, pushing players for extra bases. We scored five runs; however, it could have been a couple more with some patience from the coach (sorry ladies). Eagles scored another five runs with some very good hitting before we got a couple of outs, and with loaded bases Julie was under a high ball for the catch before she was knocked over by the runner in a very heavy collision. We all hope you are recovering well!

Batting again, and we needed to score some quick runs to take the lead and give us a chance as the time was starting to get away from us (unfortunately we had no umpires at the start of the game). Kristy, Rochelle, and Laura all hit doubles to get us started, and after fine team play we scored three runs to take the lead before we sacrificed ourselves to have a chance at the win.

The first batter was struck out by Rochelle, with the next couple of players making it on base (with a little help from us), before a tough call by the umpire allowed them to score a runner. At this point we were only one run in front with another runner at third base, and so in a last ditch attempt to keep the runner at bay, all of the fielders were moved inside the diamond. We were unlucky not to get the outs we needed, and with the game tied after the third out, both teams decided to take the two points each. Fantastic effort ladies, and hopefully next week things go our way!

Ladies A Reserve vs. Blacktown Workers

Loss 2-1

MVP: Aimee Sutton

A really tough game against BWC this week, with only seven players. Thank you so much to Meera who missed her Ladies B Grade game to play for us!! You did an awesome job!

We struggled with the bat this week, with noone making it onto base until the third innings, where our only safe hit went to Sutto! We scored our one and only run in the fifth innings, off a beautiful hit to centre field by Deon, followed by a batting comeback with safe hits to Carolyn and Jenny. Meera put down an awesome bunt in an attempt to score a second run, but was unfortunately tagged out on her way to first base, effectively holding Carolyn at third.

In the field, however, we were just as competitive against the BWC hitters. We had some great infield plays, with Emma, Sutto, and Carolyn taking a number of outs at first base. Most impressive were the infield changes for the left-handed batters, where everyone moved to play a different position and cover the gaps! Aimee and Deon had a great game at the plate as well, striking out two batters and almost getting the tag play at home plate to stop BWC scoring their second run. Great effort overall ladies -hopefully we have a bit more luck next week!

Match Reports



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!





Mixed Division 3 vs. BYE

BYE

MVP: N/A

Our Mixed Division 3 team had the BYE this week! Good luck to this team in Round 15 for their final game of the season.

Match Reports

Mixed Division 2 vs. Greystanes

Washout

MVP: N/A

After having to deal with the heat for the last three weeks, it was ironic that our game was called off this week due to a monstrous thunderstorm! It came over really quickly at the beginning of the time slot, and we were stuck in the dugout watching the rain and hail for at least half an hour! By the time the storm had passed, both Diamonds 1 and 2 at Stanhope Gardens had turned into mud lakes. Fingers crossed next week is kinder to us in the weather department!!











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

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