

NSW Bar v Qld Bar

On 27 March 2004 the NSW Bar played against the Qld Bar at Camperdown Oval.

The toss was won by Queensland, who had no hesitation in sending the home team in on a wicket which looked to have something in it for the Queensland quicks, that term being used in a relative sense.

Dagleish and Durack saw off the Queensland opening bowlers and things were looking promising at 0/47 after 10 overs. Durack fell shortly afterwards for a well compiled 30 and Dagleish, setting himself for a big innings, was joined by Steele making his debut for the side.

Dagleish's fine hand of 47 came to an end shortly after, and then Steele took the long handle to the Qld bowlers hitting three sixes on his way to a stylish 50. He was ably supported by Foord and Burge in getting the score up to 3/150.

The now customary middle order collapse followed, but a rearguard action by Neil and Scruby, the latter managing to take 16 off the last over, saw the home team reach 8/186 after the allotted 40 overs.

The Qld innings got underway and Naughtin and King SC, improving each season like a couple of good reds, delivered a miserly opening spell to have Qld 3/51 after 16 overs, with Qld mainstay Taylor at the crease. The next few overs were to prove crucial as Gyles snuck one through Taylor's defence, and a couple of balls later had the gun Queensland bat Traves



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stumped by White SC (as he then was), the high point of what has turned out to be the stalwart White's final game for the Bar.

Foord, Durack and Hastings QC then put the screws on the Queensland tail, and in combination with some athletic fielding in the deep by Steele and Scruby, saw the Queenslanders restricted to 7/174 when the final ball was bowled.

The Callinan trophy now safely back on this side of the border, we look forward to repeating the performance next season and recording our first away win since 1993.

The Crown Cup

By Andrew Givney

The day after the interstate Bar cricket match at Camperdown Oval on 27 March 2004, the barristers and solicitors of western Sydney played for the Crown Cup.

The Bar was captained by Givney and the solicitors by Ric Gonzalez. The match commenced at eleven-ish.

Players were suitably attired in shirts embossed with the players of yesteryear - Benaud, Simpson, Laurie, O'Keefe, together with caps appropriately emblazoned with the coat of arms.

Berry and Heazlewood resolutely umpired under a boiling sun. Various interlopers joined the match, including Morrison SC.

Naughtin, having played for the Bar on the Saturday, formed the view that he was living at Camperdown. His perseverance was rewarded by removing solicitor Tilley twice in the opening over for the Bar.

The Bar batted first due to the late awakening of some older members, and scored one hundred and fifty-ish.

Luncheon was taken at one-ish, as catered by solicitor Susan Warda under the splendour of a century-old fig tree.

Each batsman strode to the crease to an appropriate tune, as selected and played by Karen Haga.

Sadly, chasing the massive total obtained by the Bar, the solicitors failed to reach the mark, although Glenn Walters did club two sixes and three fours in rapid time before being brilliantly caught by McElhenny of the National Australia Bank, to whom many from the Bar are indebted in more ways than one.

Thus, the Bar reclaimed the Crown Cup.

The match was completed by four-ish, and drinks were taken and presentations made. Luke Jokovic (son of solicitor Michael Jokovic) was Man of the Match. In passing, however, Viney played above his abilities, being outstanding in batting, bowling and keeping.

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