

Northern District v Marrickville

Match 1, 1925-26 Round 1, Saturday 3-Monday 5 October 1925, at Waitara

Northern District won 1st innings by 185 runs

Toss won by Northern District

Northern District 1st Innings

Batsman			Runs
RR Loder		b B Russell	93
FT Wright	lbw	b B Russell	29
WW Alexander+		b B Russell	1
WL Berry	c A Gee	b A Thatcher	63
FC Buckle*	not out		106
HG Burdon		b A Thatcher	12
LC Chin		c&b A Thatcher	3
CE Griffin		b B Russell	10
TL Brett		b B Russell	2
RC Coogan		b B Russell	2
L Elvin	not out		1
extras			11
TOTAL		9 wickets (declared) for	333

Fall of Wickets: 1-54 2-60 3-187 4-190 5-229 6-237 7-289 8-305 9-327

Bowler	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts
B Russell	17	0	96	6
G Amos	6	1	35	0
S Wesley	2	0	14	0
A Thatcher	18	0	108	3
GW Williams	2	0	19	0
H Steele	6	0	41	0
N Grant	2	0	9	0

Marrickville 1st Innings

Batsman			Runs
A Thatcher		b CE Griffin	45
A Dein	c FC Buckle	b TL Brett	9
GW Williams*	c FT Wright	b L Elvin	23
H Steele		b CE Griffin	10
A Gee		c&b CE Griffin	0
N Grant	c WL Berry	b L Elvin	4
J Armstrong	st WW Alexander	b L Elvin	9
B Russell	not out		27
S Wesley		b L Elvin	0
G Amos		b CE Griffin	0
E Tyler+		b L Elvin	16
extras			5
TOTAL			148

Bowler	Runs	Wkts
TL Brett	29	0
WL Berry	22	0
RC Coogan	18	0
L Elvin	41	5
CE Griffin	33	4

NORTHERN DISTRICT CLUB.

UNFURLING OF PENNANT.

During the interval in the match between the Northern District Club and Marrickville, at Waitara Oval on Saturday afternoon, the new club's pennant was unfurled by Councillor James, president of the Hornsby Shire. Mr. H. J. Bennett and Councillor Councillor Allen (vice-presidents of the Northern District Club) referred to the formation of the club, and expressed the opinion that the new team would add lustre to first grade cricket, and would justify the action of the association in agreeing to the formation of the new district. Councillor James, in unfurling the pennant, said that he hoped that in all matches on the Waitara Oval the best team would always win. The club's colours are Royal blue, old gold, and maroon. (The Sydney Morning Herald, Monday 5 October, page 11)

GOOD BEGINNING

Northern District made an excellent entry into grade cricket by topping the 300 mark against Marrickville at Waitara Oval. Buckle won the toss from Williams and batted. Loder and Wright gave their side a good start. Wright, however, in trying to glance Russell, got his leg in front and paid the penalty. Loder was unfortunate in missing his century, Russell beating him with a ball that kept low. Loder batted solidly, hitting 12 fours. Berry gave a sparkling display, which included seven fours. Buckle was uncertain at the start, but when set batted attractively. Nineteen fours were included in his total, which took 95 minutes to compile. Russell and Thatcher bore the brunt of the attack, bowling 17 and 18 overs respectively. Thatcher brought off a good catch in dismissing Chin: the ball was driven hard and low, Thatcher taking it with his left hand. (The Sun, Sunday 4 October)

NEW CLUB'S GOOD START

Northern District, the new club, commenced well by scoring 333 for 9 wickets against Marrickville. Frank Buckle, the old Glebe and North Sydney player, made 106 not out; hitting 19 fours. R. Loder, late of Gordon, hit up 93 (12 fours), and Berry batted brightly for 63. It was a splendid opening for the club. B. Russell, who was absent from Marrickville towards the close of last season made a splendid re-start, taking 6-96, keeping a splendid length. (Truth, Sunday 4 October)

Splendid Entry

Northern District have made a splendid entry into First Grade cricket, scoring 333 for nine wickets, F. Buckle making 106 by brilliant batting, and Loder scoring 93. Russell bowled finely for Marrickville. (Sunday Times, Sunday 4 October)

Marrickville 2nd Innings

Batsman		Runs	
H Steele	b TL Brett	16	
B Russell	b TL Brett	60	
A Gee	b RC Coogan	23	
GW Williams	c&b TL Brett	4	
A Dein	not out	24	
S Wesley	hit wicket	2	
J Armstrong	lbw	7	
A Thatcher	not out	5	
extras		11	
TOTAL	6 wickets for	152	
Bowler		Runs	Wkts
WL Berry		23	0
CE Griffin		36	0
TL Brett		49	3
RC Coogan		33	3

Close of Play 3 October: Northern District 9-333

NEW CLUB'S DECISIVE WIN

The new club, Northern District, beat Marrickville in decisive fashion. The newcomers scored 333 and dismissed Marrickville for 148. Following on Marrickville fared little better, losing six wickets for 152. The credit for the visiting team's collapse must be given to L. Elvin and C. Griffin, who were making their first appearance in grade cricket. The former, a slow left-hand bowler, captured five wickets for 41, and the latter four wickets for 33.

(The Sydney Morning Herald, Tuesday 6 October)

Northern District glory

The first round of grade cricket was concluded yesterday, a principal feature being the success of the new Northern District Club. Northern District covered themselves with glory against Marrickville on their introduction to first grade cricket. Griffin, their junior bowler, performed very well for his first grade match. The fielding of the newcomers was very fine.

(The Labor Daily, Tuesday 6 October)

New club did well

The new club, Northern District, did well, scoring 333 for 9 wickets against Marrickville. Frank Buckle hit up the best score - 106 not out. There were some misgivings as to how Northern District would shape, but they appear to have justified their existence. Loder, who just missed the century (93), is an ex-Gordon player who did not get in the side regularly owing to the many good cricketers in that district. A very sound batsman when he is moving, he should get a lot of runs this season. W. L. Berry made a number of fine scores with Glebe some seasons back, but orcharding or some other rural pursuit called him, and though he did not entirely give up the game, he did not throw himself as keenly into it as he did when one of the Wentworth Park brigade. His start of 63 (seven 4's) is very promising. Barney Russell made a re-appearance after being out of the game since the middle of last season, and hopped off by taking 6 for 96, which is good in a score of 333. (Sydney Sportsman, Tuesday 6 October)

SECOND DAY'S PLAY

Northern District closed with their Saturday score of 333 for nine wickets, and dismissed Marrickville for 148, and, in the second innings, 152 for six wickets.

(Sydney Sportsman, Tuesday 6 October)

Success of Young Bowlers

Two Northern District colts — Elvin and Griffin — created a sensation at Waitara by routing Marrickville.

SUCCESS OF COLTS

Playing against Marrickville, L. Elvin, a tall left-hander, and C. Griffin, a slow leg-break bowler, made splendid first appearances in grade cricket. Elvin kept a fine length, and was swinging the ball disconcertingly. He bowled nine overs, including two maidens, for five wickets and 41 runs. In one over he captured three wickets and took a wicket with the second ball he bowled. Elvin was not bowled in the second innings. Griffin bowled remarkably well, turning the ball both ways, and nipping sharply off the pitch. He finished with four for 33 runs off six overs, but was inclined to tire.

(The Daily Telegraph, Tuesday 6 October)