

## **Ghosts Cricket Third Grade Final**

Campbelltown Camden DCC secured their first Third Grade Premiership in Sydney Grade Cricket with a devastating victory against Mosman in the Final played at Glenn McGrath Oval last Saturday and Sunday.

Mosman won the toss and elected to bat and were never out of trouble as the relentless Ghost bowling attack led by Damian Briscoe who bowled superbly to capture 5-31 from just 12 overs along with left arm opening bowler Todd Warner 3-32 (12) and youngster Jake Mitchell 2-5 completely overwhelmed Mosman who crumbled to be all out for just 70 shortly after lunch losing their last 7 wickets for just 18 runs.

In reply the Ghosts started confidently with in form openers Mitchell Hinds (21) and Nathaniel Camarsh (28) posting a 42 run opening partnership. However the Ghosts slipped to 3-67 when Captain Ranil Peiris (6) was dismissed. Damian Wall (48) and Ben Maher (49) then combined in a bright and entertaining 54 run partnership before Wall was dismissed at 121.

Two left handers Maher and Reece Ogle then joined forces and knuckled down to the task and added 44 valuable runs before Maher holed out to a rank long hop with the score at 165. Maher's dismissal triggered a mini collapse with Anthony George (0) and Jake Mitchell (2) both dismissed within a run.

At 7-168 the Ghosts needed a consolidating partnership to end Day 1 in a commanding position. Murray Yabsley joined Ogle and the two batted confidently until stumps with Ogle 38no and Yabsley 16no with the Ghosts to resume Day 2 at Ghosts 7-211.

Mosman's only chance of victory when play resumed Day 2 was to clean up the Ghosts last 3 wickets and then set a run chase. The Ghosts had other ideas as Ogle (78no) and Yabsley (56 no) dominated the first hour with many fine shots to race the Ghosts to a match winning 7-284.

The spirited 116 run unbroken partnership broke the back of the Mosman team who conceded defeat with the Ghosts holding a 214 run lead to delirious cheers from the army of Ghosts supporters who celebrated well into Sunday the historic Premiership.

Ghosts captain Ranil Peiris heaped praise on his team for not only their outstanding cricketing talents but their many qualities as fine young men who have represented the club with distinction.

***We proved in this match we were the best balanced team in the competition – everyone has contributed to this title - Peiris added.***

***2007-08 Ghosts Presentation Night – Wests Leagues – 6.30pm - Saturday May 24 – further details to be advised – [www.ghostscricket.com.au](http://www.ghostscricket.com.au)***