Cricket

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The 10th and 11th floors Wentworth opened the cricket season with a genteel match at St Andrews College, Sydney University in late October. Angus Lang set the pace early with some accomplished stroke play as the 11th floor's uniquely slow medium bowling attack was put to the test. A typically stylish and chanceless knock from Gyles SC, which included a spirit breaking partnership with Gyles junior, helped the 10th floor towards a comfortable score in the 120s.

The 11th floor top order were pinned down by the metronomic medium pacers Lang and newcomer Hilbert Chiu, before the mesmerically unpredictable Stuart Lawrance was unleashed. In a spell that kept everyone on the square guessing and occasionally ducking for cover, Lawrance snared a handful of wickets as the Wombats' wild ambitions proved greater than their talents. Fortunately there was wag in the tail as the junior Pikes and Tom Bell-Bird compiled some much needed runs.

The match culminated in an epic encounter of Ali-Foreman proportions, as King SC took up the ball against the lower order pairing of Poulos QC and Maconachie QC. Improbably, King accumulated three wickets from the exchange. Poulos was so impressed with his first dismissal that he demanded an action replay. King duly obliged.















