

Bairdy's Banter !

This season we are using an online automated registration and payment system for all players wishing to play for us; instructions on how to register and the link for registration are on our website. This will be a more accurate and efficient registration process and ALL grades/levels (including the Milo Kids) are to use the online system. Fees for 2009/10 are MILO KIDS (U/6-U/10) \$55 (includes a special cricket kit), U/11-U/13 \$185, U/15-U/17 \$220, Seniors \$365 and Masters (Over 40's) \$85 (plus ball fees). All players (excluding Milo) receive a 2009/10 Season Club Playing Shirt and Cap and all insurance. 2009/10 Player Sponsorship Packages are also now available for sale (see website for details) and can reduce your own playing fees by \$200.

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to call me on 0413 116 555. Paul Baird. Club Treasurer.



BOWLING

Ask the coaches: How do you stop a young player bowling down the leg side?

You have tried to get him in a better position in his delivery stride by telling him to look over his front shoulder but he still sprays it past leg stump?

1. Stretch Correctly during warm up

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3. Bowl around the wicket

BATTING - THE WAY THE AUSSIE TEAM DOES!!

If you don't bat with good technique and mental strength you are wasting your talent. Great natural ability counts for little if you have technical flaws. Your desire to be a cricketer success is wasted energy if you have the wrong attitude.

Mental toughness

The Australian top order batters get big scores because they are disciplined, focused and, above all, don't give their wickets away lightly. Bowlers have to work hard to dismiss them as they don't often get themselves out. They know it's what goes on in your head that sets the good players apart from the average players. In short, Australian batters value their wicket

Solid technique

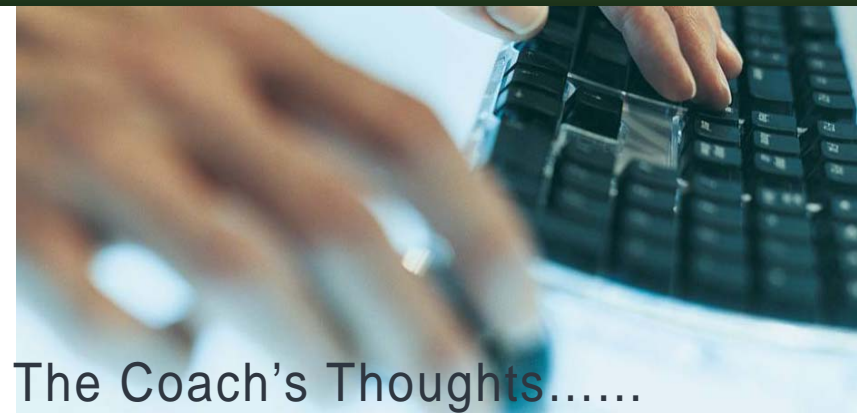
The Australian's technique is about getting the job done rather than flair and how many different shots they can produce in an innings.

Correcting batting technique

The technique may appear to be sound. However, if you put it under the microscope and look with a critical eye you will find that many players have intricate flaws. Some small technical changes will make a big difference. 'Alignment' is at the top of the list. Playing straight well is the key but you can't do this effectively and consistently if your alignment is out.

a) Back foot Sideways

The 'closed off' position causes you to tip towards the off side. The batsman is forced into playing too square on the leg side and not quite straight enough on the off side. The simple change of turning his back foot in will help him to access the ball better with a straight bat thus being well balanced and aligned with the ability to play the ball back where it came from with the full face of the bat. With an opened stance slightly he could lead with his head towards the ball when it pitches on middle and leg, this would help him automatically turn his back foot in.



The Coach's Thoughts.....

Fellow Hawks

Please take the time to download the attachments sent out to all club members by email. They are my documents created on word, there is no spam attached. Go and sit somewhere and really think about what your reading let it sink in.

I found last season extremely complex on so many levels. But that was last season. This season is so exciting!!! We have a playing group with great spirit and matched with ability. Success is something we will celebrate during the season. The HAWKS have some dead set superstars, some of which don't even know it, believe in yourselfs guys, I DO, the club is full of match winners.

"Commitment with accountability closes the gap between intention and results".

The pre season sets up the season, a lot of planning has gone into it, with practice matches, training and fitness. Don't let yourself down, by not challenging yourself. I have bottle green and yellow pumping through my veins!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Swanny.



ALL PLAYERS FOR THE 09/10 SEASON CAN PAY FEES ONLINE AT THE CLUB WEBSITE OR AT THE CLUB USING OUR NEW EFTPOS FACILITIES.

SUPPORTING THE CLUB IS ABOUT PAYING FEES ON TIME. THESE NEW FACILITIES WILL MAKE IT EASIER FOR ALL MEMBERS.





DON'T FORGET!!!!

Sponsorships are a vital part of a new season. We need to have all finalized by end of August.

Upcoming Calender Events:

- Sign On Day for 09/10 Season –16 /09/09
- Sunday Training - 2,16,23rd August .
Get into the season early at Sunday training. 10am - 1pm.
- Pre-Season Games: Ian please fill in Aug/Sep games

Upcoming Social Events:

- 03 Sep: 1st Club Night - Welcome to New Players - BBQ, Happy Hour, Club Goals Night.
- 10 Oct: Free BBQ, Cheap drinks
- 24 Oct: Ping pong tournament – Doubles

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Presidents' Report

I take this opportunity to welcome back for season 09/10 all members of the Helensvale Pacific Pines Hawks. I thank you now for your continued support of our great club. I would also like to welcome all new players, parents, supporters and sponsors as we launch into an exciting year for the Hawks.

Over the winter break the club has elected a new Committee and I welcome to the team new members Nigel Nulty, Gareth Philpott, Brendon Laakso, Will Robinson, Marcus Dehne, Rob Minchinton and Chris Dickson. Alongside our restanding Committee members Paul Baird, Brett Burke, Steve Wilson, Conrad Dickson and Josh Bird, the new look executive has set a fierce pace reshaping the clubs future.

One of the first duties was to advertise for a senior coach and the club welcomes the reappointment of Matthew Swan as senior coach. "Swanny " is preparing for a big season ahead and is eager to get all the team down on to the training track at Hession Oval. Now retired from playing duties, he will be able to concentrate 100 % of his time to developing the skill levels of the playing group. As well as senior coach, all junior coaching positions have been filled and I thank all our coaches for their timeless dedication and commitment. I welcome to the juniors coaching dept Gareth Philpott, Brendon Laakso and Chris Glasgow to join current coaches, Paul Baird and Dave Houghton. I also welcome Pradeep Pereria as coach of the Milo In2 Cricket juniors.

The second major appointment was that of appointing Barry Turner as Head Curator and Groundsman at Hession Oval. Barry comes to the Hawks from Runaway Bay Cricket Club and takes over from Rick Shenton. I would like to acknowledge the work done by Rick and thank him for getting the wicket block at Hession Oval back to the wonderful condition it is now in. The club received numerous compliments on the pitch and this season under Barry's care, we will see that work continue.

The club also rewrote the sponsorship packages for this season. Under the new framework of Community Partnership Program, the club is pursuing new sponsors and supporters to join the Hawks this season. I especially want to thank my wife Karyn for all the hours spent on the computer writing up the words and laying up the artwork. Special thanks to Paul and Nigel for all their contribution to this essential part of the club. Without our sponsors we would struggle to survive and I thank all those that continue to support the club. I also wish to thank Major Club sponsors from last season the Helensvale Tavern and Stockland. Unfortunately due the economic slow down both companies are unable to continue their relationship with the club.

The club is awaiting the final draft of its State Govt funded Strategic Plan. This document puts down on paper the clubs direction and agenda for the next 5 years and beyond. It is an essential part of our long term plans for the ongoing success and future of the Hawks. The clubs executive will utilise this document to further our case in securing funding for future projects such as

- New fencing for Hession Oval.
- Air Conditioning for Clubhouse.
- New Practice net facilities (expansion to 5 nets) and new lights.
- Installation of portable Sight Screens.
- Improved drainage of Hession Oval.
- Installation of 2 new turf wickets on centre block.

The club will also continue its work on developing new cricket playing facilities in Pacific Pines and possibly at Helensvale State and High Schools. The Committee will work hard to provide our members the best possible facilities to play cricket, both at junior and senior levels.

On behalf of my Committee I look forward to the challenges that lay ahead and trust that you share my enthusiasm for a very successful season for us all.
Go Hawks!

Ian Wade-Parker—President

SIGN ON DAY

09/10 SEASON

**Sunday 16th
August, 2009.**

To commit as a valuable member to the Hawks for the upcoming season, come along to sign on day. All those interested should attend between 9 & 1pm.

**Sponsors on board
for 09/10 season:**

- Albion
- WPC Clothing
- Paul Baird Mortgages
- Chiro One
- Outback Jacks