



Sweep shots, Pull shots and excellent running between the wickets. These were some of the standout features of both of Ben Pomare's innings over the past couple of weeks, as he started off the season with the purest of form, knocking up his second and third Premier Centuries.

The Wicket Keeper Batsman has taken up the challenge of batting at the number 3 spot for the Marlins, after the loss of Niven Dovey among others over the off season.

Premier Captain Matt Golding says that Pomare was the frontrunner to take more responsibility and move up to the number 3 position.

"Bender has opened the batting in previous seasons, however moved to first drop this season to accommodate some of the younger players in our side. This is further proof of his willingness and ability to adapt to change and shows a real team first attitude and growth mindset."

In round one of Baywide, Pomare crafted an innings of 108 (120) which included 12 boundaries, and helped the Premier side gain an outright victory in their first match of the 2022 Baywide campaign.

His 108 Against Tauranga Boys College did not come easy, as he batted with 8 different partners, highlighting the tough nature of the Wicket and the accurate bowling of the Tauranga Boys attack. Pomare's grit to keep hanging in there with wickets falling around for much of the innings showed a great ability to absorb pressure and help the Mount through to a target they would feel comfortable to bowl at.

In Round two of the Baywide cup, it was a slightly different task. Historically hundreds in a run chase don't happen often in club cricket, but when you're chasing 271 for outright victory in 49 overs, it was going to take somebody grabbing the game by the scruff of the neck. Pomare came in with the Mount only having 2 runs on the board and began to curate one of the finest hundreds you'll see in club cricket. He reached his triple figure score with work still to do. 78 runs needed and 14 overs in hand, Pomare picked up his already fast paced innings and guided the mount home with 5 overs in hand to keep them undefeated in Baywide.

Pomare says his 161 against Papamoa CC was the more satisfying of the two.

"Both were incredibly satisfying but the one against Papamoa was harder as I had to be there at the end for us to win."

Bay Of Plenty Cap #541, and the Bay Of Plenty mens skipper says the opportunity to shift up the order is welcomed with open arms.

"Moving up to 3 has been a great transition for me. We have lost a few players, so there's more ownership on me to bat through the innings and I have really enjoyed that responsibility so far."

As far as looking to make it three hundreds in a row, that will have to wait. Wet weather has denied Pomare the chance for 3 hundred in 3 weeks. There will be no doubt he will be looking to take his rich form into the Bay Of Plenty's first two day match of the summer against Northland on Bay Oval this weekend.



No club can run without the help of loyal and passionate volunteers. The Mount Maunganui Cricket Club is very, very lucky to have the services of one of the best blokes going around, Steve Robinson.

Steve first Joined the club in 2017 after being asked to come along by his mate who some will know, Andrew Coogan. Coogan sold Robbo on a fun and enjoyable culture and he didn't hesitate to get involved. Since the day he joined, he has gone onto captain the 3rd XI, he has sat on the committee for over four years and is currently the Twilight Competition Director for the Mount Maunganui Cricket Club. The running of the twilight competition is no easy job. The league contains 28 teams, who play in two different divisions on a Monday and Tuesday night.

The Twilight competition brings in revenue for the club that allows day to day operations to be able to run. The importance of providing a good product is of the utmost importance, and Steve does a fantastic job to ensure players enjoy the competition, which runs from October to March.

Steve makes an effort to always be trying to make the competition a better product. The past couple of seasons he has introduced spot prizes, which have bee sponsored by the clubs major sponsor, Bond&Co.



STEVE WAS NAMED "PHIL SNOW MOUNTIE OF THE YEAR" AT THE 2021/22 PRIZE GIVING.

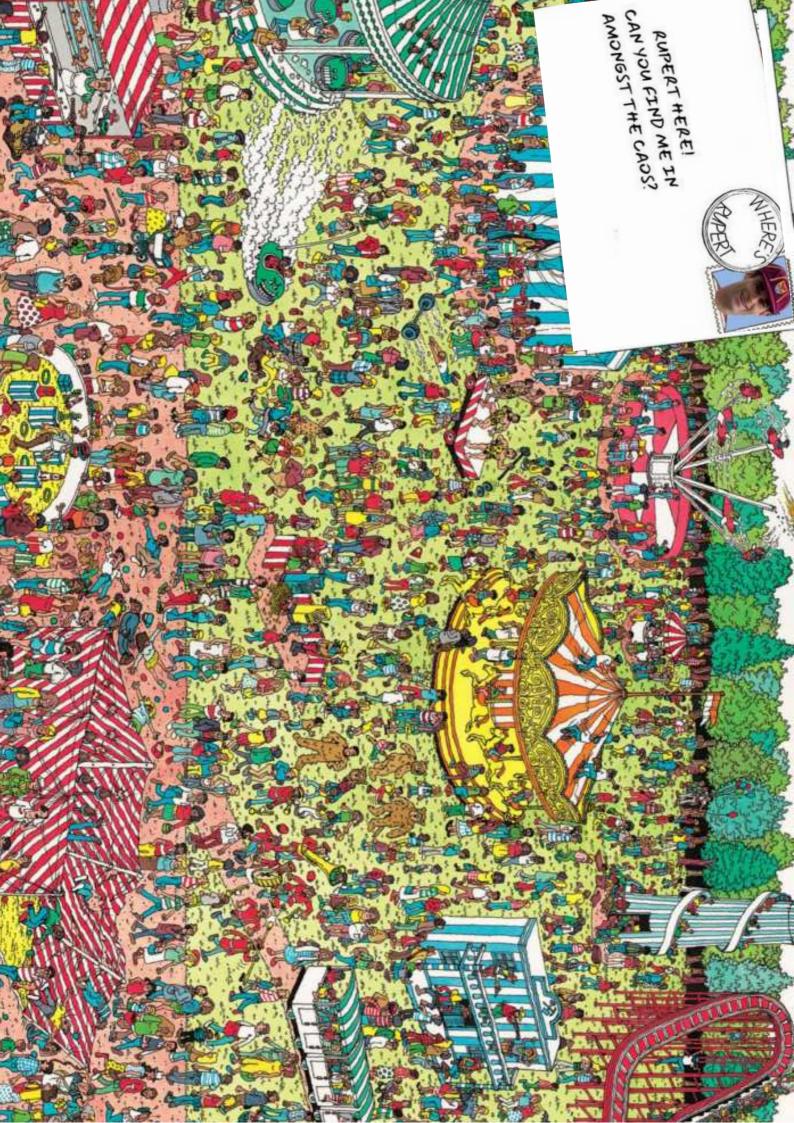
Robbo has always been a great club man, whether it's fixing the nets, or getting down to the park to help with covers or a working bee. In the spring of 2021, he gave the club's storage lock up a massive makeover, giving us a tidy space to operate out of in the meantime.

Please be sure to get Robbo a cold beer or give him a hand if you see him doing something around the club, Clul men like him are massive assets and never get enough thanks. Cheers Robbo!

2021/22 SEASON BOND&CO TWILIGHT SERIES

Div 1
Winner - Portside
Runners up - Dad Bod Squad
Shield Winners - Dad bod Squad (New addition to twilight winner gets a box on finals day)
Peoples Champions - Vee Dee (Selected by their peers as best team to play)

Div 2 Winner - Sticky Wickets Runner up - BBC Shield Winners - Speight Ultra Smashers Peoples Champions - Verge Halfcut



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STUMPS WORLDCUP VICTORY
HUNDRED RUNS SIXES OUTFIELD

BRAINTEASER



FOUR PEOPLE ARRIVE AT A RIVER WITH A NARROW
BRIDGE THAT CAN ONLY HOLD TWO PEOPLE AT A TIME.
IT'S NIGHTTIME AND THEY HAVE ONE TORCH THAT HAS
TO BE USED WHEN CROSSING THE BRIDGE. PERSON A
CAN CROSS THE BRIDGE IN ONE MINUTE, B IN TWO
MINUTES, C IN FIVE MINUTES, AND D IN EIGHT MINUTES.
WHEN TWO PEOPLE CROSS THE BRIDGE TOGETHER, THEY
MUST MOVE AT THE SLOWER PERSON'S PACE. CAN THEY
ALL GET ACROSS THE BRIDGE IN 15 MINUTES OR LESS?

ANSWER

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STREXT, C AND D CROSS AND B BRINGS THE LIGHT BACK. THIS BACK, THIS TAKES 3 MINUTES.

FOUR MUST FOLLOW THESE THREE STEPS. J.FIRST, A AND B CROSS THE BRIDGE AND A BRINGS THE LIGHT

YES, THEY CAN CROSS IN EXACTLY 15 MINUTES. THE GROUP OF

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"I ONLY REALLY HAVE ONE PROBLEM WITH THE WORLD TEST CHAMPIONSHIP AND THAT'S HOW THE HELL ARE YOU MEANT TO DRINK OUT OF A MACE?"

- ALLROUNDER JIMMY NEESHAM DOESN'T THINK NEW ZEALAND'S
LATEST TROPHY ISN'T VERY PRACTICALLY DESIGNED

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