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## Corinthian Cricket Club

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### Corinthians 6-1..

#### **June 15 – Corinthians v Hollywood 2 (Marder)**

#### **Corinthians lost by 4 wickets**

Even successful teams have bad days, and lessons were definitely learned when the Corinthians went down to Hollywood 2 by 4 wickets. But bugger them.. We're 6-1.

#### **June 21 – Corinthians v Pioneer (Severn)**

#### **Corinthians won by 92 runs**

Captain Rich chose to bat on the Corinthians' favorite Severn pitch, but when Faran and Pauly were quickly out to the dangerous Sowlat, the Corinthians innings suddenly needed an injection of sensible and determined batting to avoid the mistakes of the previous week. It was at this point that Raj joined Imran in a partnership which was to take the match away from Pioneer. The pair put on 197 in 30 overs before Imran was out for a superb 101 (3x6, 10x4). Jay (38\*) then joined Raj, who completed his own brilliant 116\* (1x6, 10x4), and together took Corinthians to an excellent total of 283-4 off the 40 overs.

Pioneer have a useful batting lineup, but the only way to attack a monumental target is to score runs quickly; a task which more than one team has found tricky against this season's Corinthians bowlers. Sowlat (52) and Monty Venkarsamy (33) made a strong individual effort, but once Richard's 8 overs had gone for just 12 runs (with two wickets) the writing was already on the wall for Pioneer. Reaching 108-4 in the 19<sup>th</sup> over, the remainder of Pioneer's batsmen effectively shut up shop and gave up the chase, the innings eventually finishing at 191-9.

#### **June 29 – Corinthians v Britamer (Severn)**

#### **Corinthians won by 6 wickets**

For the second time in the season, Britamer could find no answer to the quality of the Corinthians' bowling. Despite winning the toss and batting, Britamer's batsmen simply could not settle and finally were pressurized into trying to take risks to score runs instead of accumulating; a risk that was unlikely to succeed against the Corinthians' tight fielding and bowling unit. Ultimately, only two batsmen reached double figures (both of whom got themselves out, unnecessarily) and the team could only limp to 112 all out in

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36 overs. Phil Traynor and Pricey took two good wickets each, but once again it was the skipper who did the damage with 5-19 off seven overs. Rich's accuracy has been a potent force this season, testament to which is the fact that all five of his wickets in this game were either bowled, LBW, or taken behind by the 'keeper Paul.

The total proved no challenge to the Corinthians, who were able to amble past the total in 25 overs for the loss of four wickets. Rich took the opportunity to rest some of the front line batsmen and allowed Cluffy Severn (25) and Phil Traynor (28) to get some batting practice. Pricey (24\*) finished the game with the sort of six that would leave any opposition demoralized.

### Casuals 4-4..

#### **June 1 – Casuals v San Diego 3 (Canyonside Park)**

#### **Casuals lost by 6 wickets**

A tough game on a tough pitch against a tough opposition... that should just about sum it up, but Casuals made a good effort and deserved a better result. Significantly, Casuals were put in on a mystery-laden matting wicket (just as significant and mysterious was the fact that SD3 opened with a spinner..) and struggled to score effectively early on. All the early batsman found the pace of the pitch impossible to read and gave plenty of catching practice; but Adnan (40), Saquib (26), Farhad (19) and Amyn (16) all made a fine effort in the later overs and helped Casuals to a total of 176. "Something to bowl at" we thought, and it wasn't for lack of trying.

San Diego's batsmen started their innings in a blatant attempt to finish the game within the first ten overs, but Asif Munir struck back with two wickets in two balls to give Casuals a fighting chance. Adnan and Amyn also took wickets at crucial times, and at 94-4 after 21 overs, the Casuals had the feeling that one more wicket might just clinch the initiative. Alas it was not to be, as opener Raju (59\*) and Pradeep (47\*) each recovered from a nervous start to take SD3 past the Casuals' total. The result seemed more comprehensive on paper than it was on the field. Asif was the pick of the bowlers, with 2-29 off 7 overs and 2 maidens.

### Sat June 21 – Casuals v BnB (Wright)

#### Casuals won by 2 wickets

Casuals needed a morale-boosting win, and got one in the very next game against BnB with a fine all-round team performance. Floody won the toss (*Wow! Editor.*) and put BnB in on what looked a great batting track ("Well, we have generally been better chasing.." said Floody.) It was Floody himself who took two early wickets, but BnB's Eddie Fanibanda kept the innings together with another of his unique, eccentric and highly effective contributions, scoring 79 before being run out by Saquib in the 37<sup>th</sup> over. Shahid, making a welcome return to the team, was very economical, as was Adnan (8-1-30-0), but most of the other bowlers suffered a little trying to keep the lid on. In the end, the total of 220-8 was about 20-30 runs more than we wanted to chase.

Looking at a run rate of 5, openers Lynchy and Amyn had to get moving immediately, and the two promptly launched themselves at everything within reach. With Amyn hitting intelligently over the top during the fielding restrictions, Casuals were soon 62 without loss after 12 overs. Spin bowler Mayank pegged the scoring back a little after the first water break, and swung the pendulum back to BnB with a spell of three wickets, including Lynchy (48) and Amyn (33), for ten runs in six overs. Once Mayank was out of the attack, however, Rameez (33), Saquib (32) and Max Zaidi (whose 36\* came off just 18 balls) began plundering the bowling, scoring at over 10 an over, and took the Casuals past the target in 37.1 overs. This was a fine win, a great team performance, proving Casuals have what it takes to go after challenging totals.

### Sat June 21 – Casuals v Anaheim (Wong)

#### Casuals lost by 53 runs

It might have been a similar story to the previous game, but this time the total really **was** far more than we wanted to chase..

Anaheim won the toss and batted on the hottest day of the year so far, and Casuals fielding suffered accordingly. Balls skittled out of fielders' hands, prize catches were dropped, run out chances narrowly missed the stumps.. it was that sort of day. By the time Shyam Rele started hitting out, it was as if nothing could be done to stem the flow of runs. Shyam batted brilliantly, finishing with 122\* off just 83 balls, and was impossible to bowl to. Anaheim finished with 256-5 and

Casuals found themselves with a mountain to climb. All the bowlers tried hard, but only Max Zaidi (8-0-39-2) escaped the slaughter.

Lynchy was out early, trying to force the pace from the outset, but Asif Munir stepped up to try to dig Casuals out of the hole. Despite near exhaustion in 100-plus temperatures, Asif played the innings of his life, playing every shot in the book (and a few which weren't) to drag Casuals within 67 runs of an improbable victory with 10 overs still left. Tragically, he fell LBW just two runs short of a remarkable century, and despite support from Rameez (25) and Max (25), the remaining batsmen found the task just beyond them, and the reply finished at 203 all out.

Mind you, for a time there, the mighty Anaheim were indeed a bit worried.

### Sat June 28 – Casuals v British & Dominion (Marder)

#### Casuals won by 28 runs

And so to the return game against B&D, in what was undoubtedly a must-win for both teams. B&D, having lost the first game narrowly when batting first, decided to insert Casuals on a slowish wicket and throw the initiative right onto the Casuals' batting line up. Against bowlers of the caliber of Grant, Jimmy, Pravin, Karthik (amongst others), this was going to be a challenge, but once again Lynchy (37) and Amyn (33) managed to be a challenge, but once again quickly, and put on 73 in the first 16 overs. When Lynchy was out at 109-2, Rameez (58) joined Asif Munir (85) and the pair added another 100 runs in the next 14 overs, both batsmen seemingly clubbing boundaries at will, with the normally unplayable Grant Gillingham going for 60 runs off his 8 overs. A flurry of quick wickets in the closing overs left Casuals at 253-7, but a strong B&D batting line up meant that this could still be perfectly gettable.

And, just five overs into the B&D reply, it seemed all the more gettable, with Nick Kapalia and Dave Collicutt having smacked 43 already and licking their lips for more. Floody immediately brought Amyn's spin into the attack, and the whole tone of the reply changed. Suddenly tied up and frustrated at the slowing of the scoring rate, the B&D batsman began to lose their wickets, with only captain Jimmy Pearce holding out. His class nearly saved the day, but Noman Khan finally prised him from the crease for a brilliant 82, and the B&D's inning closed at 225 all out. Another very satisfying win for Casuals, who once again played a good team game against a very challenging opponent.

## Interview With The Captain – Part 1



"Eee aye bloody greet innit battin' n' boolin' an' t'ole team is gi'in it a good clobber like an' playin' 'ard and wi' Pauly be'ind stoumps ee's grabbin' t t'ball like nobdy's bizness like an' six-wun we are like n' Rajeh's battin's bloody greet and bloody opponents west a' time nobbut bloody muppets aye.."

## Interview With The Captain – Part 2



“Yus, or think the bitting hus bin orkay, an’ the bolling, but the citchin hus nut an’ it’s citches wun mitches an’ too munny citches gut drorrped but the filding is ginrally orkay an’ we gort pritty gud lorn up ‘spicially wid the spun an’ swung bolling an’ bitting orl the way dorn an’ it hilps if or cun win the toors ivry nah an’ agin...”

## Tour Update (From our Aussie Prez)

Hello everyone,

As some of you may have read in earlier newsletters we are planning to tour Australia in March 2009. While many of the details are still to be finalized we would like to get an expression of interest from people who think they may want to join us for this exciting trip.

We have been able to secure some very good pricing for the flights and accommodation with the cost being about US\$3500 for the 2 weeks of the tour (tentatively departing March 6th and returning March 20th).

These prices include flights from Los Angeles to Sydney, Sydney to Cairns, Cairns to Brisbane and Brisbane to Los Angeles. The price also includes 12 nights of shared accommodation.

We are planning on playing about 5 games over the 2 week period including Twenty20 and 50 over matches with plenty of time for sight-seeing.

Please let us know if you are interested in taking part.

Regards,

Phil Traynor  
President  
Corinthian Cricket Club



## Star Aussie Batsman In Possible Tour Scandal

“I’ll go if I can,” Conan confirmed yesterday, “but I’ll have to see what the missus says.”

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## Answers to last month’s Kiwi Crossword

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## England Test Players Key And Jones Flock To Casuals Star Opener

“Just close your eyes, Jonesy, and maybe he’ll go away, like..”

“Who’s **this** tosser?”



“I scored 48, you know.”

## Upcoming Events

**Saturday July 12/Sunday July 13** – “United Nations Of Cricket” T20 Tournament at Woodley

**Saturday July 12** – Club Quiz Night @ The Sharma Residence

**Saturday July 19/Sunday July 20** – Shirley Cup

**Sunday October 26** – Fall Golf Classic

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Stay tuned for more corrections next month.

## Springbok Girls In Practically Nude Homage To Casuals Star Opener Scandal



“Oooh, we just love Lynchy..”

“I think it’s disgusting,” said Hollywood reporter-to-the-stars Polly Snapper yesterday. “And another thing that’s really disgusting is this joke Billy Armstrong told me. Apparently, an Irishman, an Australian and a Jew walk into a bar. At the bar is a donkey, and this donkey has an absolutely enormous

## Favorite Songs - #1

First in a new monthly feature. This month: **Pauly Severn**



**“Batsman”** (To the tune of The Beatles’ “Taxman”)

“Let me tell you how it will be  
 (Ha ha, Mister Blackledge)  
 I call for one, we’ll run for three  
 (Ha ha, Swamiji)  
 Cause I’m a batsman, yeah, I’m a batsmaa-aa-aan  
  
 And don’t you bowl that short at me  
 (Ha ha, Errol Dawkins)  
 I’ll hit you past that effing tree  
 (Ha ha, Chandra Roy)  
 Cause I’m a batsman, yeah, I’m a batsmaa-aa-aan...”

Next Month: **Lynch** (bet you can’t wait!)

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