



MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

BBL FINALS - THE ELIMINATOR
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ADELAIDE STRIKERS V HOBART HURRICANES
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Today's Match: The Squads



Adelaide Strikers

Travis Head (captain), Wes Agar, Alex Carey, Harry Conway, Rashid Khan, (Afghanistan, Sunrisers, Sussex, Barbados Tridents, Lahore Qalandars, Trent Rockets Men), Michael Naser, Harry Nielsen, Liam O'Connor, Phil Salt (Sussex, Islamabad United, Barbados Tridents, Manchester Originals Men), Matt Short, Peter Siddle, Cameron Valente, Jake Weatherald, Jonathon Wells, Daniel Worrall, Matthew Renshaw, Liam Scott, Spenser Johnson, Danny Briggs (Warwickshire, Southern Brave Men), Ryan Gibson.



Hobart Hurricanes

Matthew Wade (captain), Scott Boland, Tim David (Singapore, Royal Challengers Bangalore, Lahore Qalandars, St Lucia Kings), Nathan Ellis, Peter Handscomb, Caleb Jewell, Sandeep Lamichhane (Nepal, Jamaica Tallawahs, Barbados Tridents, Delhi Capitals) Ben Mc Dermott, Riley Meredith, Mitchell Owen, Joel Paris, Wil Parker, D'Arcy Short, Mac Wright

Between the Teams

	Played	Strikers	Hurricanes	Ties	No Result	NRR
Overall	18	10	7	-	1	+0.454
Adelaide Oval	9	6	3	-	-	+0.535
Aurora Stadium	3	3	-	-	-	+0.651
Bellerive Oval	6	1	4	-	1	+0.218

Final Team Placings at end of BBL11 (Season 2021/22)

	Team	P	W	L	T	NR/A	BP
1	Perth Scorchers Men	14	11	3	0	40	0.926
2	Sydney Sixers Men	14	9	4	1	35	1.027
3	Sydney Thunder Men	14	9	5	0	35	0.725
4	Adelaide Strikers Men	14	6	8	0	28	0.237
5	Hobart Hurricanes Men	14	7	7	0	27	-0.332
6	Melbourne Stars Men	14	7	7	0	26	-0.222
7	Brisbane Heat Men	14	3	11	0	16	-0.91
8	Melbourne Renegades Men	14	3	10	1	16	-1.477

Notes: Points allocation – Win 3, Tie 1.5 each team, No Result or Abandoned 1.5 each team. A bonus point is awarded halfway through the second innings of a match. The team chasing is awarded the point if its score is above the equivalent 10-over score of the opposition. If the chaser is trailing the fielding side will be awarded the point. Net run rate is calculated by deducting from the average runs per over scored by a team in the tournament, the average runs per over scored against it.

Past BBL Finals at the MCG: A Retrospective

Since the inaugural staging of the BBL in season 2011/12 five finals matches have been contested on the MCG. In the 2013/14 season (BBL03) the Melbourne Stars met the Hobart Hurricanes in the First Semi-Final on 4 February, 2014; the Hurricanes being victorious. In the 2015/16 season two finals were staged at the MCG. On 22 January, 2016 in the Second Semi-Final, the Stars defeated the Perth Scorchers only to be defeated two days later in the Final by the Sydney Thunder. Two finals were also staged at the MCG in season 2019/20. In The Qualifier played on 31 January, 2020 the Sydney Sixers defeated the Stars. The home team, however, recovered to win The Challenger played on 6 February, 2020. A review of the first two of these finals is set out below.

Melbourne Stars v Hobart Hurricanes

At MCG, 4 February, 2014: First Semi-Final of BBL03. **MELBOURNE STARS 8/141** (20 overs) (BJ Hodge 51; CJ Boyce 3/11, B Laughlin 2/33) **lost to HOBART HURRICANES 3/142** (18.1 overs) (TD Paine 65, GJ Bailey 32*, BR Dunk 30) **by seven wickets**. *Player of match*: Cameron Boyce.

The Stars cruised through the season; winning all matches and topping the table. The Hurricanes, however, had won only three of their matches, losing four and finished fourth. The Stars and the Hurricanes were the only teams to finish the season with a positive net run-rate. The Stars, winning the toss and batting, were soon in trouble; losing 4/46 after 8.5 overs with Captain Cameron White (6), Luke Wright (13), Matthew Wade (8) and Glen Maxwell (12), all out. Cameron Boyce (3/11 for the match), who would later receive the *Player of the Match* award, already had two wickets. The Stars then staged a recovery. Brad Hodge (51 from 35 balls with four 4s and two 6s) found a reliable ally in David Hussey (24, 22 and four 4s) and 62 runs were added for the fifth wicket from 45 balls before Hussey became the wily Boyce's third victim in the sixteenth over. After Hodge was dismissed in the next over and the dangerous Marcus Stoinis had little impact, the innings closed at 8/141; a total considered to be insufficient. Ben Laughlin (2/33) had the best return of the other Hurricanes' bowlers.

The Hurricanes passed the Stars total of 141 in 18.1 overs; losing only three wickets along the way. The opening partnership was broken at 51 (5.5 overs) with Ben Dunk (30) being dismissed by John Hastings. His opening partner Tim Payne (65) then anchored the innings and shared a 64-run third wicket partnership with Captain George Bailey (32 not out) which assured a comfortable victory. No Stars bowler took more than one wicket. The Hurricanes would then play in their first Final; losing to the Perth Scorchers by 34 runs at the WACA Ground in Perth. This match was to be the last BBL appearance for the Stars by the Sri Lankan pace bowler Lasith Malinga. His 6/7 for the Stars against the Scorchers at the WACA in the 2013/14 season remains the best individual bowling performance in the BBL.

Melbourne Stars v Perth Scorchers

At MCG, 22 January, 2016: Second Semi-Final of BBL05. **PERTH SCORCHERS 7/139** (20 overs) (AC Voges 52, M Klinger 44; DJ Worrall 3/25) **lost to MELBOURNE STARS 3/140** (18.1 overs) (KP Pietersen 62, MP Stoinis 44) **by seven wickets**. *Player of the match*: Kevin Pietersen

The Stars had finished the home and away season second on the ladder; winning five matches and losing three. They were separated from the Scorchers (third) by net run rate only. The Stars won the toss and fielded. The Scorchers lost two early wickets - Marcus Harris (1) and English import Michael Carbury (13) to the bowling of Daniel Worrall but recovered with a 79-run partnership from 67 balls between Michael Klinger (44) and Captain Adam Voges (52) which took the score to 109. Wickets then fell regularly with the innings closing at 7/139; a score considered insufficient under the prevailing conditions. Worrall (3/25 from four overs) was outstanding and was best supported by international spinners Adam Zampa and Michael Beer (both 1/22 from four overs).

The Stars lost English international and consistent scorer Luke Wright (7) early. Consolidation then came through a 69-run partnership from 46 balls for the second wicket between opener Marcus Stoinis (44) and the Stars' second English international Kevin Pietersen (62 from 36 balls with five fours and two sixes) which took the score to 82. Pietersen, who would subsequently be awarded *Player of the Match*, was then joined by Peter Handscomb and a further 46 runs were added for the third wicket. The Stars reached the required 140 runs with 11 balls remaining. Slow left-arm wrist spinner Brad Hogg (1/20 from four overs) was the most impressive of the Scorchers' bowlers.

The Stars then played the Sydney Thunder in the Final and lost to the men from the north. It was to be the Thunder's only Final win to date in the tournament while the Stars have yet to record their first.

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