

## THE MANGO CUP 2013

27<sup>th</sup> October 2013, Upjohn Park, Nolan Oval, Rydalmere, NSW  
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The MANGO CUP is a Triangular Cricket limited overs tournament between the Mangloean Catholic Association of Sydney (MCAS), Australian Residents Anglo Indian Association (ARAIA) and Goan Overseas Association-NSW (GOA).

The MANGO CUP was a concept initiated by MCAS & GOA with the objective of bonding member families of both the associations together for a fun event. As Cricket is a common binder it was decided to have a T20 cricket contest between the two associations with the families joining to cheer both teams in a picnic type atmosphere. The tournament was called MANGO CUP to cast the names of both associations MAN=Mangalore & GO=Goa.

The first three editions contested between MCAS & GOA were held in 2008 at Auburn & 2009 & 2010 at Marayong. Whilst MCAS won the first two editions, GOA came back very strongly in 2010 to beat MCAS by a huge margin of 63 runs. For the 4th edition in 2011, ARAIA joined the party and the MANGO CUP appeared an apt name for such a triangular contest as M=Mangalore, AN=Anglo & GO=Goa. The format was altered to accommodate three teams with an initial 6 overs a side round robin league, with the 1st & 2nd placed teams playing in the 8 overs a side Finals. The 4th edition was won by MCAS who beat the GOA team in the Finals by a very narrow margin of 9 runs. In the 5th edition the ARAIA team got the better of GOA to win their first MANGO CUP title.

This year, the 6th edition of the MANGO CUP was held on Sunday, 27th October 2013 at Upjohn Park, Nolan Oval, Rydalmere. The Captains of the 3 teams were Brian Mathias (GOA), Joylene Moras (MCAS) & Carl D'Silva (ARAIA). The GOA team won both their round robin matches beating both MCAS & ARAIA, whilst MCAS beat ARAIA to set up a title clash with GOA in the final. In a very keenly contested final with 12 overs aside, the GOA team got the better of MCAS by a 4 wicket win with 2 balls to spare to win their second MANGO CUP title.





Tournament Match Details as follows.

Round Robin Stage (6 overs aside):

**Game#1:** GOA v/s MCAS: GOA beat MCAS. GOA 86/1, Tony Fernandes 45n/o, Paul Anush 35n/o, Valerian 1 for 15. MCAS 63/3, Valerian 34, Nigel 17, Clinton 1 for 9, Gilroy 1 for 5, Savio 1 for 18.

**Game#2:** MCAS v/s ARAIA: MCAS beat ARAIA. ARAIA 55/1, Dean 30, Carl 19, Valerian 1 for 5. MCAS 58/1, Nigel 49 n/o.

**Game#3:** GOA v/s ARAIA: GOA beat ARAIA. ARAIA 25/6, Ashley 4, Nick 4. Paul 2 for 4, Sanford 1 for 2, Gilroy 1 for 6 & savior 1 for 2. GOA 29 for no loss, Sanford 19 n/o, Roy 6 n/o.

**Finals:** (12 overs aside): GOA beat MCAS. GOA won the toss and elected to field.

MCAS: 113/4, Valerian 70 n/o, Kapil 19. Nereus 2 for 8, Clinton 1 for 9. GOA 114 for 3, Brian Mathias 61 n/o, Sanford 34. Valerian 1 for 14 , Hubert 1 for 22.

The Prize presentation was held after the finals. GOA President Tony Colaco & MCAS President Stanley D'Cruz spoke and stressed the need for all the three communities to come together at such social functions. The GOA team swept the individual prizes. The following players were amongst the prizes.

1. Best Fielder: Sanford Mendonca (GOA).
2. Best Wicketkeeper: Paul Anush (GOA).
3. Best Bowler: Nereus D'Mello (GOA).
4. Best Batsman: Brian Mathias (GOA).
5. Player of the Tournament: Valerian D'Souza(MCAS)

