



## **CRICKET NORTH WEST – REPORT No.12 (25 Jan 2026)**

### **CNW Men's 1<sup>st</sup> Grade**

Reigning premier Ulverstone has quickly bounced back to form, dominating Burnie on the opening day of round 13 games on Saturday.

The Black Caps weren't the only team to take a stranglehold on proceedings, with ladder leaders Sheffield and Latrobe also in strong positions to press for an outright win on day two.

At UCI Oval, the home side heaped further pain on a Burnie team which had already fallen to the bottom of the ladder, ending day one with a 169-run lead.

The Hurricanes won the toss and elected to bat first but were soon under pressure when they fell to 3-18.

They recovered slightly to 3-45 before the spin twins of Brandon King and Toby Hutton wreaked havoc on the rest of the order, taking the remaining seven wickets between them to bundle the visitors out for just 89 in the 40<sup>th</sup> over.

King collected a season-best haul of 5-18 from his 10 overs, with Hutton (2-6) and Jayden Beaumont (2-12) the other multiple wicket-takers.

Faced with the best part of two sessions to round out the day's play, Ulverstone set about its reply on purpose with openers Jordan Kelly (51) and Rhys French (48) almost getting past the target themselves before Jackson Blair (54) and Jack Pearce (55) cashed in after tea.

The Black Caps will resume next Saturday at 4-258 and could even consider declaring before play resumes to allow themselves plenty of time for a second crack at the brittle Hurricanes batting line-up.

Latrobe made a welcome return to form on the road, and in the process, kept their finals hopes alive following a devastating final session of play against Wynyard.

After being sent in, the Demons batting order finally clicked to post a total of 243, with Callan Morse (49), Heath Davies (42), Eamon Young (37) and Kaleb Williams (36) the major contributors.

Young spinner Maxwell Innes had his best outing for the season, claiming 4-49 from 15 overs.

Left with 20 overs to see out the day, the Tigers reply was nothing short of disastrous and a complete reversal from their first innings performance two weeks prior.

Given the new ball, Duncan Grey (4-13) and Kaleb Williams (2-10), decimated the host's top and middle order to leave them reeling at 6-26 and in need of miracle from not out batsmen Gregg Sharman, in his 250<sup>th</sup> game, and Mason Hodgetts on day two.

It was a similar story at Sheffield, where the ladder leaders recovered from early trouble to have Devonport on the ropes by day's end.





Batting first, the Mountaineers fell to 5-48 in the first session thanks to the efforts of Patrick Power (4-61) but recovered either side of lunch to get to 5-125 courtesy of Alex King (40) and Eli Connelly (44).

With handy lower-order runs in good time from Marc Simonds (36), Sam Robinson (24) and Liam Slatter, Sheffield finished their innings at 246 in the 64<sup>th</sup> over.

Faced with the last session to make inroads into the target, the Orions weren't up to the task as mid-season recruit Mark Saunders claimed 3-13 to leave them floundering at 5-55 when time was called.

### CNW Men's Second Grade

Ulverstone belied its sixth place on the ladder with a rare all-day batting display against second-placed Burnie at West Park.

Led by 92 from veteran Drew Allan, the Black Caps justified their decision to bat first, ending with 263 after being dismissed in the shadows of stumps.

Another experienced batsman, Andrew Van Tatenhove added 53 at the top of the order while Jed Ling, Rohan Speglic and Jordan Quails all scored in the 20's to keep the scoreboard ticking over.

Grant Lohrey was the pick of the Hurricanes attack with 3-51 from his 15 overs.

The game at the Latrobe Recreation Ground appears evenly poised heading into day two with the fifth-placed Demons still needing another 89 runs for first innings points against Wynyard.

After four wickets from Peter Fulton reduced them to 7-71, the Tigers scrambled their way to a total of 142 thanks to a 70-run partnership for the eighth wicket between Edward Dudfield (41) and Leighton Burr (27).

Latrobe took a cautious approach to the run chase, ending the day at 3-53 from 41 overs, with Fulton (22 not out) and Tristan Brumby (5 not out) to resume on day two.

The remaining game between Devonport and Sheffield will be a Saturday/Sunday affair next week due to the unavailability of the Devonport Oval this weekend.

### CNW Women's First Grade

No games.

### CNW Under 16s

Ladder leaders Burnie made it five wins on the trot following a 10-wicket demolition of Ulverstone at UCI Oval.

Batting first, the Black Caps line-up was no match for the Hurricanes attack and were 9-38 before number 11 Harry Ling added some respectability to the score with 33 not out to give the hosts a final total of 83.

George Radcliff (3-30) and Judd Ryan (3-10) were the chief wicket takers for the Hurricanes.





The visitors made short work of the run chase, reaching the target in 12.5 overs thanks to 39 not out from Jacob Granger and 32 not out from Radcliff.

At Wynyard, the home side put a one-game gap between themselves and fifth-placed Devonport after a 64-run triumph against the Orions.

A half-century to Nate Stewart (53) was the highlight of the Tigers innings of 9-175, with Nathan Davis, Judd Broomhall and Tahj Wilson all taking two wickets apiece.

Broomhall backed up his performance with the bat, scoring 45, but was unable to find enough support as the visitors were bowled out for 111 in the 31<sup>st</sup> over.

William Elphinstone led the Wynyard attack with 3-24, while Jaxon Shea, Noah McCreddie and Wesley Redman each finished with two wickets.

In the final game, Latrobe was too strong for Sheffield in a 29-run victory.

Batting first, the Demons posted 9-210 from their 40 overs thanks to 48 from captain Jimmy Tueon, 33 from Cruz Ritchie and 29 from Tait Jeffrey, while Beau Woodiwiss (3-41) and Lachlan Davies (3-24) impressed with the ball.

The Mountaineers gave themselves a chance of an upset in reply through the efforts of Maklyn Jones (82) and Xavier Duff (28).

But with Ritchie (4-26) picking up regular wickets, Jones was unable to get the necessary help through the middle order and his team were all out for 181 after 33 overs.

