

AUSTRALIANS SHOW GOOD FORM ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
AT WORCESTER

LONG VERSION

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The ladies have a place to themselves at Worcester if they want it. Johnson put himself on here and <sup>soon</sup> ~~at the other~~ and the Worcester crowd renewed acquaintance ~~with~~ with Richie Benaud. He got Berry caught at wicket. ~~The~~ County were now faring very badly and were eventually all out for the very poor total of 90.

Australia opened with Macdonald and Burke, facing the ~~onslaught~~<sup>assault</sup> of the very fast Flavell, and at the other end the Oxford bowler G.H. Chesterton. Neil Harvey was temporarily in the film business. Burke was soon out, bowled by Chesterton for four. Ken Mackay took his place. Old hands at Worcester were congratulating themselves that nowadays there was no Don Bradman, to help himself to a double century. Both opening bowlers had catches dropped, the kind of lapses no team can ever afford against Australia. ~~X~~ Macdonald was now very comfortable and had 85 to his credit at close of play. Australia were 135 for one, the foundation of their big total next day.

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The Australians then slowly began the innings, amounting to some welcome batting practice, which next day totaled 438. Neither the very fast but <sup>erratic</sup> ~~amazing~~ Flavell nor any other bowler made <sup>much</sup> ~~any~~ impression. Macdonald had 85 runs on the board at close of play, when he and Ken McKay were undefeated at 135 for one. It was next day that Richie Benaud's sparkling 160 ~~hammer~~ dwarfed everything else.