



England won the toss and chose to bat - England have scored 234 for 4 wickets

**England**

**FIRST INNINGS** Runs 6s 4s Bls Min

A J Strauss c Gilchrist b Lee	29	0	3	52	66
<i>defending, edged to keeper (36-1: 5.6ov)</i>					
A N Cook c Gilchrist b Clark	20	0	2	47	86
<i>attempted cover-drive, edged to keeper (58-2: 19.2ov)</i>					
I R Bell b McGrath	71	0	8	153	190
<i>through the gate after ball seamed back (167-4: 60.1ov)</i>					
K P Pietersen c Hussey b McGrath	41	0	1	104	162
<i>attempted pull, caught at silly mid-on (166-3: 58.3ov)</i>					
P D Collingwood not out	25	0	4	56	89
A Flintoff not out	42	1	5	70	81

Extras (lb1 w3 nb2) .....6  
**Total (for 4, 80 overs) .....234**  
 To Bat: J C M W Read, S I Mahmood, S J Harmison, J M Anderson, M S Panesar.  
 Bowling: G D McGrath 21-4-57-2, B Lee 15-3-50-1, S R Clark 19-3-54-1, S K Warne 19-1-59-0, A Symonds 6-2-13-0.  
 Australia: J L Langer, M L Hayden, R T Ponting, M E K Hussey, M J Clarke, A Symonds, J A C Gilchrist, S K Warne, B Lee, S R Clark, G D McGrath.

**Bowling Spells**

Morning Session	Spell	O	M	R	W
McGrath	1st	7	1	22	0
Lee	1st	4	1	12	0
Clark	1st	4	1	14	0
Lee	2nd	2	0	10	1

Afternoon Session	Spell	O	M	R	W
Clark	1st	3	1	4	1
Lee	1st	6	2	15	0
McGrath	1st	8	2	23	0
Clark	2nd	7	1	14	0
Warne	1st	7	0	21	0
Symonds	1st	4	0	13	0

Evening Session	Spell	O	M	R	W
McGrath	1st	6	1	12	2
Warne	1st	6	0	39	0
Lee	1st	3	0	13	0
Clark	1st	2	0	10	0
Warne	2nd	6	1	16	0
Clark	2nd	3	0	12	0
Symonds	1st	2	2	0	0

**Day 1 - Session Scores**

- **Lunch:** England: 58-1, (17 overs), Cook 20\* & Bell 7\*
- **Tea:** England: 149-2, (52 overs), Bell 58\* & Pietersen 36\* (This session: 35 overs, 1 wkts, 91 runs)
- **Close:** England: 234-4, (79 overs), Collingwood 25\* & Flintoff 42\* (This session: 27 overs, 2 wkts, 85 runs)

**Billy Bowden**

New Zealand  
**Born:** April 11, 1963, Henderson, Auckland  
**Test debut:** New Zealand v Australia at Auckland - Mar 11-15, 2000  
**Last Test:** Australia v England at Brisbane - Nov 23-27, 2006

**Aleem Dar**

Pakistan  
**Born:** June 6, 1968, Jhang, Punjab  
**Test debut:** Bangladesh v England at Dhaka - Oct 21-25, 2003  
**Last Test:** Australia v England at Melbourne - Dec 26-28, 2006

**10 Match Records**

Records for the last 10 Test Matches (prior to this one) played at Sydney.

The captain winning the toss has chosen to bat every time. In total 3 matches have been won by the team batting first, 6 by the team fielding first with one draw. Australia have won 8 times with one defeat by England and one draw.

The average first innings score is 385, the highest being 705/7 dec (by India v Aus 2-6 Jan 2004), the lowest being 150 (by India v Australia 2-4 Jan 2000)

The highest 4th Innings total to win a game is 288/2 (by Australia v South Africa 2-6 Jan 2006)

The highest 4th Innings total was 357/6 (by Australia v India 2-6 Jan 2004) India drew with Australia.

There have been 29 centuries scored (19 Australian, 10 opposition)

Leading Century maker RT Ponting 5

Leading Run Scorers RT Ponting 1068, JL Langer 730.

Highest Individual score 241 by SR Tendulkar for India v Australia 2003/04

Leading Wicket-takers SCG MacGill 44, GD McGrath 30

Best Innings Bowling A Kumble 8/141 for India v Australia 2003/04.

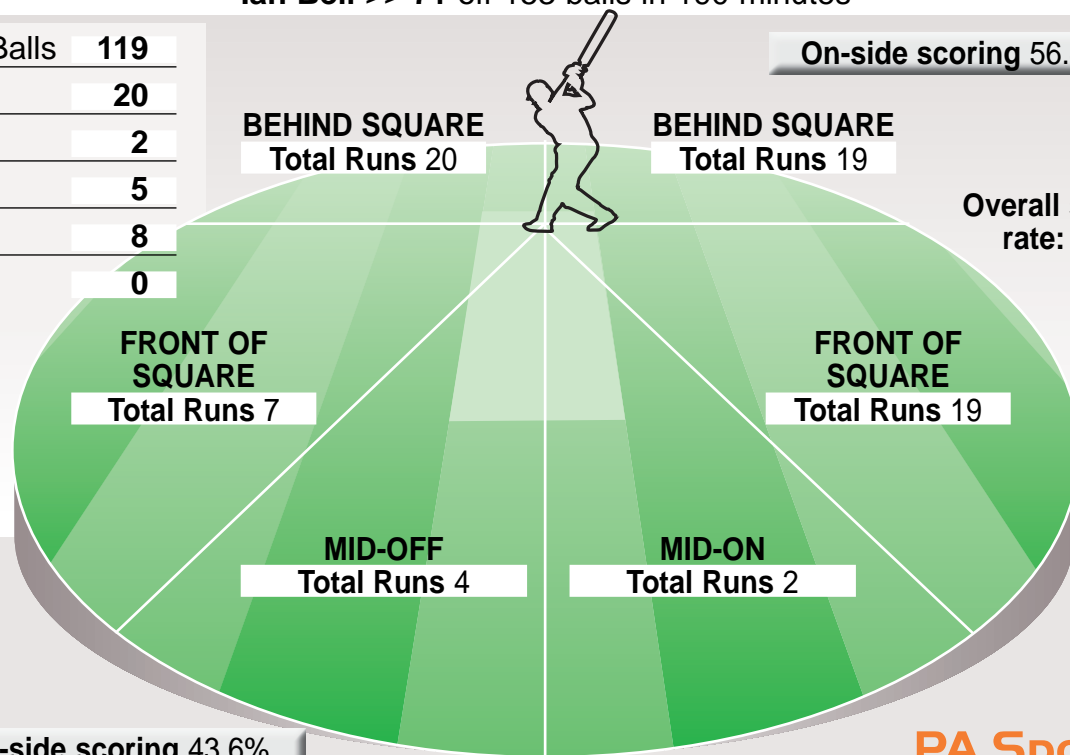
Best Match bowling SCG MacGill 12/107 for Australia v England 1998/99

**Best batting performance of the day**

Ian Bell >> 71 off 153 balls in 190 minutes

Dot Balls	119
1s	20
2s	2
3s	5
4s	8
6s	0

On-side scoring 56.4%



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**Session Track**

**Day 1 - Key Session**

**EVENING SESSION — Breakdown**

