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Heavy Rainfall washes out the Under 15 Queensland regional carnival

Overcast skies and rain have been the dominant factor for this heavily weather affected carnival.

The first day's play was a complete wash out, the second day was interrupted and luckily a full game was snuck in on the third day.

Unfortunately the semi final match between Northern Territory and Brisbane North was again washed out before the beginning of the second innings.

The game was a rematch of last year's grand final with the winners of pool A (NT) facing off against pool B's second place team Brisbane North.

Losing the toss and being sent in to bat, the NT knew rain was just around the corner and pushed the run rate up early in case the game was reduced in overs.

Lachlan Griffiths was steadfast partnering first with Shihub Rahman (12) and Pat Pisel (2) before skying out for 17 just before drinks.

Leading run scorer Jake Weatherald came to the crease and settled in to a long partnership of 101 runs with Alice Spring's batsman Ben Ellis.

Weatherald made 57 from 75 deliveries while Ellis made a personal best of 88 from 119.

At the close of the first innings NT boys made 258 runs for the loss of 8 wickets.

This was going to be a very difficult total for Brisbane North to chase and momentum was with the NT team.

During the lunch break the sky opened up and rained heavily.

The match had to be abandoned without bowling a ball in the second innings.

The NT moved on to the finals against the Sunshine Coast after a strong performance throughout the group stages.

True to the predicted forecast of rains, the final between Northern Territory and the Sunshine Coast was a complete washout.



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As a result the Northern Territory was awarded championship winner by default.

Jake Weatherald was named the player of the carnival.

Pat Pisel, Ben Ellis, Akash Patel and Jake Weatherald were all selected in the team of the carnival.

Northern Territory v Brisbane North (Semi Final)

(Batting: B Ellis 88, J. Weatherald 57, J. Dix 32, L. Griffith 17, T. Mullen 13, M. McGregor 5, S. Smith 4*, P. Pisel, 2J. Crees 0*)

(Bowling:)

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