The Armidale School’s Firsts cricket team have made it through to the semi-finals of the prestigious Douglas Shield inter-schools competition, having defeated Calrossy Anglican School at TAS yesterday (11 February).

Both teams came into the third round with two wins under their belt in the Douglas Shield, for independent schools not otherwise involved in a regular inter-school competition.

Calrossy put plenty of runs on the ground before they were all out for 252, before TAS in reply made 4/258, with Rory Spiers making 90 and Jack Bennett 84 not out and five wickets in hand.

“We made it hard for ourselves and they got plenty of runs on the board, however the boys put in a great effort with the run chase and reflected a belief in themselves,” cricket MIC Jim Pinnington said.

Pinnington said attending an invitational camp at Downlands College in Toowoomba during the holidays was great preparation.

“The team gained some important experience up there. Defeat by Downlands and St Ignatius College in the first two matches was turned around to a win against Canberra Grammar in our third game, and the lessons learnt augured well for our fixture against Calrossy.”

TAS will later this month make the trip down south to play Kinross Wolaroi School at Orange, in the semi finals.

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