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One Dayer – Grand Challenge - MCC 1st XI vs Montrose CC played away

WALLER SCORES MAIDEN 50 FOR THE STAG

The Stag lost the toss and Montrose elected to bat on a pitch that looked as it could play difficult later in the day. We welcome debutant Ben Ward into the Stag One Day squad.

In the absence of my Scorebook, we will note the scores only.

Set a target of 177, some indifferent fielding, but some class shown in a old man Milne classic catch, but he got it and got himself back onto the Waller Xmas list!
The following was the order of the day.

Max Waller 58, Crowley 49* winning the game with some brilliant support from Milne who stood tall and allowed his Skip to win the game. It was not a few they needed they were required to put a decent partnership together, but let's not forget the faith we have in Botties at 11, he was waiting and ready.
Millies win by 2 wickets.

One Dayer –MCC 1st XI vs Rondebosch CC played Sunday on MCC A

STAGS NOT UP TO SUNDAY CHALLENGE

Rondebosch, asked to bat first were bowled out for 181. MCC were then bowled out for 111 to record their first loss in the 1 day competition.

One Dayer Res 'A'– MCC 2nd vs Claremont cc played at MCC 'A'

MILLIES START ONE DAYERS WITH BONUS POINT WIN

Another Saturday morning and another toss won by skipper Sias, electing to bowl with home ground knowledge, Claremont skipper looked surprised but we know you always bowl first at home.

Roach and Grant started with the new ball with Grant striking twice in his opening 4 overs, unfortunately Claremont started scoring at 4 runs per over. Levi and Andy replaced the 2 opening bowlers slowing the scoring rate down a bit before Levi broke the 3rd wicket partnership. Sias came on after Levi and bowled in tandem with Andy, both bowling their 10 overs on the trot, Sias claiming 3/22 and Andy 0/17 with a run out to leave Claremont in all sorts of trouble. Claremont skipper Elsworth scored a brisk 27 before Latham dismissed him and Roach came back at the end to bowl number 10 and 11 with Claremont ending on 141 all out.

Gareth Swardt and Kassie opened our reply and progressed steadily before Kassie was removed for 17, Glanville joined Swardtsie and the 2 added another 36 runs before Brad was out LBW. Veteran Justin du Toit joined Swardtsie and the 2 played some glorious shots with Gareth bringing up his 2nd 50 for the season. We reached the winning target in 33 overs with Gareth 63* and Justin 31* securing us a bonus point win.

Overall a great result and special mention to debutant keeper Keenen Nortjie that kept wicket very well at a tender age of 16! Well done lad.

REPORT COMPILED BY: SIAS BEZUIDENHOUT

(Impressive win and also great to see young Keenen has again got the gloves on, waited a very long time for that.)

Day 1 Res 'D'– MCC 3rd vs Avendale CC played away

CONSISTENCY, CONSISTENCY, CONSISTENCY

After a great start to the season having carried on where we left off from last year, we wanted to finish this half of the season well which would see MCC 3rds remain unbeaten for a season and a half. Well to be honest, Avendale didn't have a chance.

We arrived at the ground to find a strip that looked like it hadn't seen a drop of water for weeks and a roller in even longer. Dodgy for both teams but batting first would prove better as the track would get worse to bat on later and break up badly. We lost the toss and we were put into bat. A toss won!

Opening partnership of S Wessels and Nyland get ready to send Avendale a message. Not knowing what would happen off the pitch was put to rest as their 2nd opening bowler proceeded to bowl his first 6 deliveries wide which left Millies at 14 without loss after 2 overs. We lost S Wessels lost his wicket in the 10th over to ball that pitched half way down the track and hit middle stump half way up. No fault from Shaun as he had smashed 2 deliveries from that area over square for 6 a piece. Out for another start of 23.

Last weeks 2nd wicket stand was a good one and today would prove much the same as Nyland and W Cupido would taunt the bowlers on a pitch that suited bowling. After almost 3 hours of batting, Nyland middled a pull to midwicket and was caught by a fielder who didn't see the ball for a superb 89. A hundred avoidance but a fantastic carry on of form from his 58 the week earlier. BVDP joined Wez for a few minutes until Wez was out for a solid 60. Another superb following on knock from his unbeaten maiden 108* the week prior. Paps joined BVDP for 15 minutes before a ball popped up to catch the leading edge ensuring Paps' season stays a shocker. Out for 5.

New comer Devvyn Herron in with BVDP played a class knock, He settled in to the team like hes been in it for years, Smashing the bowlers around and was only dismissed when he edged one behind which the keeper grabbed one handed full length. Aiden up the order provided some great support for BVDP who was making a mockery of the bowling attack. BVDP ended the innings on 48* and Aiden on 7* taking our team score to 310/5 after 50 overs. A score aided by 38 bowling extras. Now to bowl them out.

Joining Peter Hillman with the new ball would be Devvyn. He fit the role extremely well as he picked up 3 wickets in his 3 rd over leaving the Dalers at 19/3 after 6. A partnership developed here until the other opener had to retire with heat stroke. He went off, new batter came in and knicked the 3rd ball he received from Brandt to Paps at 1st slip who happily grabbed it. A juggle but safely held.

The next batter was out shortly afterwards as he tried to hit a six to the short boundary but was snatched up by young Heyne. Great catch in the deep. Number 8 survived being caught behind and stumped due to some selective umpiring but karma was in full force as A Wessels bowled a half tracker which rolled and the batter saw his middle peg knocked back.

Now with 6 wickets down, BVDP was brought on to bowl. His bowling figures were the following. 1, 1, dot, dot, Wicket, dot. Dot, dot, dot, dot, dot, dot. Dot, dot, Wicket, dot, wicket, dot. Dot, dot, dot, dot, dot, dot. Dot, Wicket and he finished the innings with 4.2 – 3 – 2 – 4. That's right, 4 for 2 in 4.2 overs. Brilliant stuff. Before the last wicket fell, Peter Hillman threw the ball to Paps. Ja, the team was shocked. Paps took up the challenge and bowled the

best over MCC has ever seen, He bowled a maiden! Yes a Maiden! Paps was a shocked as you are reading this. Think he's earned another over??????

Millies win by 147 runs and secure top spot going into the break.

Notables for the day.

C Nyland 89

W Cupido 60

D Herron 32 and 3/20

REPORT COMPILED BY: BRETT PAPAYANNI

(It all seemed a great day of fun, well I see some "big" names in this team, we must be careful we don't get hit for loading..... only joking, but good to see my prodigies still out there enjoying and performing. "Dirk" great innings!)

3 'A' MCC 4th Team vs Wynberg CC played Away

Match lost. No Report.

3 'A' MCC 5th Team vs Avendale CC played at Bosmansdam

Match won. No Report.

3 'D' MCC 'A' 6th Team vs Somerset West CC played away

YOUNGSTERS PERFORM TO MAINTAIN WINNING CULTURE

So as always when playing in Somerset West it will be one of the hotter days of the year! Off course it will be the day we lose the toss and are sent in to field first. Opening the bowling was Malcolm Hildebrand and Chad Newman. Malcolm struggled a bit upfront to hit his area but rectified his errors as the day went on. Chad supported him on the other and bowled a fine first spell of 5 overs in the heat taking the first 4 wickets of the day. The first came in his first over when he nicked of the opener to 2nd slip where Alfonso Africa took a good catch. The other 3 wickets which followed were all clean bowled!

Jono Reynders replaced Malcolm at the other end and bowled economically but was unlucky to only take one wicket. Michael De Jongh replaced Chad from the other end and bowled consistently without getting a wicket. Towards the end of the innings Malcolm and Mike Reynders bowled well together to get 2 wickets a piece and we bowled them out for 127 in 34.3 overs.

Opening the batting was Gert Badenhorst and Jordan Van Vuuren who got us off to a blistering start! Two weeks in a row they put up an opening stand of 71 to relieve any pressure their might have been. Gert was the first to go and Jordan followed an over later. The two new batsmen at the crease was Alfonso and the inform Leon Russouw. Leon looked comfortable and was unlucky when he hit a full toss back to the bowler. Alfonso was batting well on the

other showing lots of patience. Next in was Dewald Myburgh and with only 30 runs required to win Dewald and Alfonso batted well together to knock off the required runs. We won with 7 wickets and this victory should put us top of the log.

Notables

Gert 28

Jordan 34

Alfonso 18*

Chad Newman 7 – 2 – 20 - 4

REPORT COMPILED BY: DEWALD MYBURGH

(Well done young Chad, great to see you enjoying your cricket and doing well. Also, Jordan another MCC junior coming through the ranks with success. I trust that Russouw was fined for runs avoidance at the fines session, shocking that his name is not on the notables!!!! Well done Skip, you riding a winning wave!)

3 'D' MCC 'B' 7th Team - BYE

3 'D' MCC 'C' 8TH Team vs Primrose 'B' played at MCC 'B'

OUTCLASSED ONCE AGAIN

This week saw the 8th team at Home on the "B" track against Primrose "B", actually not too sure as we played Primrose "A" last week and their "B" team turned up with half the "A" team!!!

Toss taken and Millies decide to have a bat first with the return of Andre T & Josh to open. First few overs saw little runs coming from the bat but with plenty being added to extras. This soon dried up which coincided with the fall of our wickets at regular intervals. With only 2 players batting into double figures we were eventually bowled out for 76 runs of which 24 was extras. Another nonperformance week with the bat in hand.

Change of innings and Primrose open with Achmed who the previous week had hammered us all around the park on his way to making 100+. Again he showed his class and this time his playing partner let Achmed have the strike and in turn he finished the game off in double quick time and finishing on 52 runs not out.

Millies lose the game by 10 wickets

REPORT COMPILED BY: DAVID "IRISH" McCAULEY

(A heavy defeat, guys heads up – we know we are playing cricket to enjoy ourselves on a Saturday in this low league, BUT sometimes we face challenges from opposition, do not lose faith. MCC has a very strong Committee and if seen fit will elevate to those levels and eradicate any unfair play from our wonderful game of cricket!)

LADIES PREMIER LEAGUE MCC LADIES XI vs Bellville CC – DEFAULT WIN

Until next week.....

From the Boundary Rope was edited by Coach Craig

Thanks for the respective input from the roaming reporters / skippers.