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Premier One Day - MCC 1st Team vs Ottomans CC played at MCC 'A'

MILLIES BOWLERS PULL OFF GREAT VICTORY

Milnerton back at home, contractors preparing the pitches (looks just as good as a BG pitch!). Top Officials present, and we always look forward to a close contest against Ottomans. Behardien wins the toss and knowing the Millies strip asks Max to padup.

We all know the juice in the pitch for the first hour, but credit has to go to Fanie and Josh for some real decent upfront bowling, dismissing Potgieter LBW, MK caught keeper, Jono cleaned bowled with assistance of a little pitch ridge, but the scoreboard read 14/3, AGAIN!

Waller next to go, soft dismissal and Yiatsis followed caught at slip, Millies now 26/5.....

The middle order and tail did well to pull back and get to a low total of 94 all out, Petersen again holding his own and enjoying it out there for 28(70). Thanks to Van Blerk with a 16 run innings, but a stabilizing 56 balls faced.

Roach and Butler saw the innings closed after 41 overs, Milnerton again not posting winning, challenging totals for our bowlers.

Well, Ottomans had 8 overs to lunch and I suppose that this is One Day Cricket small bag fear..... and it showed with Du Toit LBW to Roach, Behardien caught Potties and then Adams brilliantly run out by MK, lunched called 21/3.

Not sure what Skip Waller spoke at the break, but bar a 20 run 4th wicket partnership, there was not much offered as the Millies bowlers dug deep and got wickets at good intervals.

Sheik put up a huge challenge, although Roach will have a say about this, but the fall of the 10th wicket was getting a tad close, 74/9.....

It was Waller that brought himself on again, not sure why he removed himself initially, but got Davids LBW and Millies recorded their first win of the season.

Well done to the lads, it was a great comeback, but we are nowhere where we should be, and the next fixture vs top of table Durbanville will show us where we are.....

On a sad note, the attendance and support is still very poor, maybe the win will bring about filling the grand stands. Thanks to the regulars who are always there to give us the from the Rope support.

Thanks to all that made this victory possible, BA at the scoreboard, BG as curator, Deb's kitchen feeding the lads and Bar staff. Special mention to the Officials, Clinton and Tom, for the communication on the day which was well received by all on the park.

Durbanville we are coming..... last season we threw it away, but we are back....!

REPORT COMPILED BY: COACH CRAIG

(Played 5, won 1 – league not won half way thru November!)

Res 'A' One Day – MCC 2nd Team vs WPCC played away

LUSH OF THE VINEYARD

There is obviously no better place to spend your Saturday than at the Vineyard. Very good batting Deck and a lush green lightening quick outfield the stage was set for a good game of cricket.

Stand in skipper JC Oliver got to the middle with the opposition skipper with intent on bowling 1st backing ourselves to chase down anything on what looked like a 250+ wicket. After losing the toss the boss from Millies got what they wanted and were sent in to field.

Victor Geldenhys and Kyle Hoefler were responsible for the new nut and although Kyle bowled extremely well upfront victory just couldn't find a rhythm. The skipper then chucked the ball to young Liam Margaman and Sheldon Sabatta who bowled very well, and Liam picked up 2 wickets after drinks to put Millies back in a better position. Sheldon bowled a superb line and length.

Next in to turn their arms were Werner Schoonraad and Shaun Wessels who in tandem bowled 20 on the trot. Bowling good lengths and taking a few sticks along the way which seemed to put the boys from Milnertons tails up with a bit of hope. It wasn't meant to be as the last 3 wickets just seemed out of reach for the boys eventually Sheldon bowling a great last 3 overs to end the day. With a few costly drop catches and drop in energy and concentration in the last 10 overs WPCC posted 284 all out.

Bowling figures.

V Geldenhys 2-0-16

K Hofer 9-0-60
L Margaman 9-2-66
S Sabatta 9-2-44
W Schoonraad 10-3-42
S Wessels 10-1-52

With a huge total to chase down the 2nds went in positive they could do it. 1st in were Brandon Naaido and Liam Hayes Liam didn't last long and got caught behind leaving us 10/1 after 3. JC joined Brandon at the wicket and the 2 seemed to be going nicely and the pair looked comfortable and ready to bat all day before JC scooped 1 to square leg with a nothing kind of shot. Daniel Crowley was next in and after playing a few great shots was soon dismissed. Chris Freeman who was not feeling well went to the middle. Him and Brandon put on a sensational 70 run partnership and had Every1 in the change room believing that we could do this. Chris was then caught for a very well-played 44 and Brandon followed not long after that for a very well batted 50. There was not much to speak of from the batting department after that as Werner, Shaun were out cheap. Even though Hofer put up a slight fight it just wasn't enough as we were bowled all out for 158.

Batting achievers

B Naaido 50
C Freeman 44

The 2nds team played good cricket in patches but couldn't maintain the consistency throughout the day. Top order all able to get starts but not being able to push on from there. Small lapses in concentration was the difference between losing by 130 run and being very competitive. We will get them next time chaps.

Thanx to Mandi for scoring and to everyone who came down and supported us.

REPORT COMPILED BY: JC

Res 'C' – MCC 3rd Team vs played at MCC 'B'

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

3 'A' MCC 4th Team vs Montrose CC played at the Dam

A GOOD WIN IN THE WIND

Another Saturday and another day for cricket, a bit windy but at least we can play! After a bit of a busy and rushed morning we were lucky enough to play the lovely Bosmansdam ground

against Montrose CC. Toss was lost and Montrose decided to have a bowl in the wind (thinking it might get worse as the day went on!)

First out was the trusty "I need runs Wesley Green" and the return of a club stalwart George Kamfer. Unfortunately, it was not the most gracious return or maybe he was not keen on the wind but George was caught behind. In at 3 was Kyle Peters who joined Wesley and they started ticking the score board over with the help of the extra's column. Kyle started off slow and I have first attacking shot just miss timed it slightly and was caught at mid-wicket. Keegan Gillespie joined Wesley and they put together the best partnership of the day. Together they put on 66 with Keegan really looking like is finding some form. His was unlucky when he was trapped in front and was adjudged out by the umpire.

Gareth Powell joined Wesley and they batted with a sense of freedom. Wesley looked like he was rolling back the years playing shots all around the ground, until he decided that one reverse sweep is not good enough... and got bowled! Very well batted Wesley and a deserved 60.

Next in was Dewald Myburgh who scratched around a bit before getting stumped... again... Gareth kept going with the tail but ended up caught after trying to up the rate in the last couple of overs. 146 in 34.2... We will take it in the wind but felt it might have been about 15 runs short...

With the wind not changing possibly getting stronger, we take the field... Sinclair Taylor stuck his hand up to run into the fierce South Easter first... Well it was as struggle into the wind as the ball was swinging more than a kid at the park... Then from the other end Gavin Cussons came running in with the wind and could not understand the struggles the other bowlers were experiencing. Gavin Bowled a fantastic spell and was unplayable at times. He hit the right areas and made the ball do the work. He was reward with figures of 7o – 2m – 13r – 2w. While Gavin was doing a tremendous job from the one end, Kyle Peters was asked to replace Slinky. Well 7 overs later, 12 wides (so let's call it 9 overs), Kyle ripped the heart and soul out the batting attack as he went on to bag 6 wickets. He bowled with aggression and swing (too much swing at times) but when he got it right the batsmen had no other option but to take the long walk back to the other side of the boundary. His return figures were 7o – 1m – 32r – 6w. Dheral Moodley replaced Gavin Cusson and wrapped up the last wicket in his 3rd over. It was a mighty performance in tough conditions and the guys showed some real character. As a team we are starting to get to know each other now and the lads are starting the show they are there for each other. I for see some big games for this team in the future if the current gees and camaraderie is kept.

MCC 4th win by 83 runs

REPORT COMPILED BY: DEWALD MYBURGH

3 'B' MCC 5th Team vs Fish Hoek CC played away

SCENIC DRIVE THE WINNER

We arrived at Fish Hoek after a long scenic drive. We lost the toss and Fish Hoek decided to have a bat first. With 3 players short, Fish Hoek posted a total of (184/7) in 33.2 overs. Malcolm Hillerbrand & Ruan Swanepoel bowled incredibly well upfront but couldn't get an early breakthrough. In returned our middle order bowlers struggled to contain the flow of runs. Malcolm & Ruan were the pick of the bowlers with Malcolm returning figures of (1/16) in seven overs and Ruan (2/12) in six overs. Reg Vraagom added value with, (3/19) in four overs. Not to mention, if it wasn't for their inexperience umpires who at the end deprived us from a few wickets, the score would have been different.

Our batting reply got off to a dismal start with the top order crumbled to (22/5) and couldn't recover after the collapse. We eventually got bowled out for 101 runs in 25 overs to hand over victory to Fish Hoek. Malcolm Hillerbrand top scored with a decent cameo of 44 not out. Areas of improvement - we need to build meaningful partnerships to post/chase big scores. Altogether, it was a good game of cricket which we all enjoyed at!!

REPORT COMPILED BY: REGGIE VRAAGOM

3 'B' MCC- B 6th Team vs Victoria CC played at Sunningdale

A YOUNG HAWK SOURS THE SILVERBACKS TO THE TOP

A home game in heart of Sunningdale!

WOW! What an awesome facility for young budding cricketers to be nurtured. Whilst there was a resemblance of a postage stamp to the size of the field, it was gonna be the same for both teams and to this end, the Silverback's favorite 'tossler' got it right again...Skip called correctly again and decided to bat!

A slight variance to the opening stanza of the last few weeks...Our Skip succumbed early to a ball that did not quite come onto the bat and he was out for 2. It was young Corrigan's chance to make his mark at the top of the order and he proceeded to do just that and he punished anything wayward...

Baby Silver who had joined him at the crease was just starting to settle before he was undone by West, the umpire and was judged to be trapped leg before!

Just for a moment I thought our Baby Silver would toss all his toys out of the cot and give us his best 'Roachy' impersonation, but sanity prevailed and that brought our little Hawk into the fray.

The south Easter to had decided to up the anti and at one stage I felt as if it was best suited to promote a veld fire than a cricket match. Whew, did she blow!

This young budding all rounder was not bothered in the least as he drove, he pulled, he lapped and he bludgeoned the attack to all parts of this cozy little suburb. Corrigan joined in the fun and these best mates were clearly enjoying their afternoon. Corrigan unfortunately fell

for a well-played 38 before Gert joined our Eyas (a young Hawk!) at the crease. The left/right handed combination further frustrated the Vic's bowlers and soon the partnership grew and grew!

Again, our favorite cricketing foe, the drinks break grabbed his wicket with the departure of Gert for a well-played 23. He had rotated the strike sufficiently to see young Hawkins go past the fifty mark as his flight continued. Then time stood still...Our soaring Eyas was joined by a rank old timer who had been shifted up the order with a view to desecrate the bowlers as he had done 25 years ago. However, he too had realized that his only part in this equation was to run with young lad.... A thought, which only added to his load! Unfortunately, even after scampering off the mark and rotating the strike, he was undone by a wicked, vicious, evil and possessed delivery which turned square out of the rough and missed every part of his person (which is an achievement in itself) and rattled the woodwork! At least he had contributed to the score...

The Hawk's batting display continued and he was ably supported by both Byron with some lusty blows and Uncle Vern, who easily played the shot of the day with a vintage square drive, on the up, that split the field and sped hastily to the boundary with the fielders only turning to watch it in admiration as it skipped over the rope!

Be bold, Be brave, Be You...as young Hawkins got to 81 with two overs left, he was still playing every ball on it's merit, 4,6,6, and he did not blink when he entered and flew through the nervous 90's and went on to his maiden ton with a reverse sweep for four! An awesome innings of 120* from a young man who, if mentored and nurtured correctly, has the ability to deliver at a much higher level!



The Silverbacks innings ended on exactly the same score as last week, 236/7 after 35 overs.

Blow baby Blow! The south Easter had cranked up to another level as the Silverbacks took to the field.

On the face of it, the Vic's batters did not inspire much resistance on face value, but never judge a book by its cover. West was clinical, yet unlucky as he beat the bat at will and only some eye raising fielding blunders left him wicket-less at the end of his opening spell.

Young Corrigan had the task of taking on Mrs. Easter and it was a tough ask! However, his confidence and positivity from his earlier knock helped him through and he soon gave the Silverbacks the much needed break through.

All the bowlers, Frodo, West & Byron toiled into the wind and bowled well in patches. With 4 wickets down for 90 and the drinks break having been concluded, it was time to take the bull by horns, and mesmerize it. The Skip threw the ball to young Hawkins, who again proceeded to turn on his magic. He broke the back of the Vic's middle order and albeit a small cameo at the end from the Vic's French cricket import, the points were in the bag. Vic's ended on 188/9 after 35 overs. Not our best fielding display, in fact a very poor one. The wind did not help and it was a good test of character for this positive band of social, passionate and experienced cricketers! The league is not won in November, but the aspirations are high and the school is tough and failure is not an option!

Man of the match was clearly young Hawkins with his maiden hundred 120* and his bowling return of 3/26, Corrigan with

Oh, and by the way...Darrin Ross was in the Silverback's team....



REPORT COMPILED BY: "MOGGY" SILVER

Until next week.....

From the Boundary Rope was edited by Coach Craig

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