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Premier One Day - MCC 1st Team vs Claremont CC played away

CLAREMONT THRASH MILLIES – A WAKE UP CALL??



Teams warming up with the weather ahead, but this picture tells the story of the day..... one lonely MCC Cooler Box!

Overcast conditions, Millies win toss and ask Claremont to bat first. Veterans, Petersen and Nabes open the innings and Nabes beats Hendricks in his third bowling him, CCC 20/1.

Campbell joins Elsworth and Nabes strikes again, Elsworth LBW and CCC 40/2. Change of armoury and Milne and Cloete give the openers a break and Milne has Botha caught by Cloete and CCC 44/3.

This was where Millies got stuck with Campbell and Breed batting well, but taking advantage of some ill-disciplined short, poor bowling and continued to an amazing 143 partnership before Breed was dismissed by a great catch from Petersen, bowled Cloete for 52. CCC 187 in only the 42nd over.

Next to go was Campbell, very unluckily given LBW, when on 97..... Bat pad, but this innings / partnership setup the launch and Skipper Stevens needed no written invitation with some big hitting and adding 40 off 15.

Claremont ending with 263/8 and basically put victory in their pockets. A great day for Claremont who have experienced some poor results recently.

Cloete of MCC the only notable, 4/61 off his ten, he is off to the alter next week!

Lunch professionally prepared, served and enjoyed by all – many thanks to the Restaurant team.

Millies positive, start their campaign, but unfortunately the CCC bowlers had their tails up, its been a long time abegging that they had a target they could bowl to and express themselves.

MCC loosing wickets for 1; 16; 33; 52; 64; 66, that's your top order back in the hut and it did not get better. Bowled out for 83, a huge defeat by 180 runs.....!

That loneliness of that Cooler Box maybe had a meaningful message.....!

REPORT COMPILED BY: COACH CRAIG

(That's cricket, we need to show character and pull out all the talent in the final 4. The Stag never gives up, we are a Premier team – lets show all!!!!)

Res 'A' One Day – MCC 2nd Team vs Durbanville CC played at MCC 'A'

2nd's REPEAT FIRST'S WIN OVER DURBANVILLE

Well reporting from a Match card is never easy, so Millies were up first with Hardenberg and Jaycee opening. Johnson followed with Schoonraad giving added support.

Jaycee getting into the fifties, but the tail failing to see their required overs out and MCC 146/10 in 38.3 overs. Jaycee 54, Schoonraad 24 and youngster Johnson 23.

DCC getting ever so close, but also falling fowl of seeing their overs thru and concluding their innings in a nail biter 142/10, yeah 5 runs short of victory!

Sass turning his arm 3/18 off 5, Hoefer adding another 2 for the season.

Millies beating Durbanville by 4 runs.

REPORT COMPILED BY: COACH CRAIG

(Skippers must not think that I will do reports going forward, it's just that a great game finishing tight needs to be in the history book – LONG LIVE "THE ROPE")

Res 'C' – MCC 3rd Team vs Somerset West CC

SOMERSET WEST TAKE HONOURS

Somerset West CC 161/10 after 41.5 overs.

L. Cupido 5/27 wrapping up the innings in his 9.5 overs.

Milnerton CC only managing 120 in 43.1 overs.

Pappin contributing with 31.

Millies losing by 41 runs and conceding a bonus point.

REPORT COMPILED BY: COACH CRAIG

(No match report for the umpteenth time this season!!!)

3 'A' MCC 4th Team vs St Augustines Cc played

THRASHING AUGS CONCLUDES 2019 RASHIONED SEASON

No Report

REPORT COMPILED BY: DEWALD MYBURGH

(Well it's taken a whole season and many there before for Skipper Dewald to post a 50..... and well backed by DAD Papayanni's return, does not take long for a wife to suggest when you playing cricket again..... 😊)

3 'B' MCC 5th Team vs Tygerberg played at MCC 'B'

BATTING DOUBLE FIGURES NEEDED.....!

Final game of the season and everyone's looking forward to finishing off the 18/19 season on a high!

Boundary rope commentator has 15 minutes to deadline so here's the SS Blitz Highlights: stand out moments of the game... and lessons learnt.

Tygerberg Batting Innings:

Big hitter outsmarted - a combination of bowling to a player's strengths, a packed off side field and mind games from (Ruan "runs" Swanepoel) help to dismiss the free scoring opening batsman and put Tygerberg in trouble at 73/7 after 22 overs.

LBWhat?? - not gonna go there :)

Great catches - we've missed some catchable ones this season, but the boys have certainly taken some blinders too.... 2 spring to mind in today's game by Tristan Stolle, in from the boundary, and David Abramovic, over the shoulder (ones for the memory bank)

Killer instinct needed - when you have a team down, make sure you finish them! Kudos to the young No.6 who played sensibly to see his team finish on 135 all out. Wickets shared amongst the bowlers but should have looked to keep them under hundred.

MCC Batting Innings:

Umpires take a close look at the ball - #4PieceGate - everything is sorted out in the end and the game is reset, no damage done.... or so we thought!

Forgettable last game - coz our innings never really got off to any sort of start with wickets falling too regularly, MCC 5ths 56 all out! Off season batting clinics needed guys :)

Looking forward to seeing everyone back next season where we can do this all over again!

REPORT COMPILED BY: SHIRAZ KHATIB

(The Fighting Fifths Fall..... catches win matches, balls can be caught in Winter! LBW's against or for??))

3 'B' MCC- B 6th Team vs Blue Downs CC

A SEASON'S END

Today was a bitter sweet day for my troop, a cricketing oxymoron, as we travelled out to our final game, in the deep part of the Boerewors Curtain, Bluedowns Cricket Club, where we were surprised to find out we were playing on a well-prepared turf wicket, surrounded by a dust bowl, that was hard and super-fast. We were on the chase of a win with a bonus point, to mathematically leapfrog ourselves into 4th place in our league's log, and the team was raring to go. Gareth Swarts made a guest appearance for the Silverbacks, again at short notice, and we thank him for his effort!!!

We won the toss, and the whole team made the decision to bat first in our final outing. Gert Badenhort (2) and I (1) struggled with a swinging ball, and we were both out very early into the piece, ending our respective seasons, as the top run scorers for our team, Gert ending on 315 runs in 15 games and myself on 364 runs in 14 games. On a side note, thank you Gert for the great partnerships this season. Back to our game – enter Chris “Baby” Silver (62) and Richard “Foetus” Silver (5) and the twins got us through to the tenth over, before Foetus was caught-and-bowled by a blinder of a catch from the opening bowler, leaving us struggling at 38-3.

Gareth Swarts (73) and Baby then righted the ship, and their partnership was dominated by Baby (10 fours and a six), who cut and pulled the Bluedowns attack to all parts, taking us just past the early break (in the sixteenth over), where he was bowled, with the score on 91 in the 19th. Gavin Levey (2) came and went quickly, bringing his son (and fantastic to have father-son players in our side), Cameron Levey (46) to join Gareth, and they both exploded out of the blocks, and had an awesome partnership of 90 runs in eleven overs, taking us deep into our innings to the 34th over, before young Cameron narrowly missed out on his first 50 for our team, trying to keep the pace going, and was tragically run out. Gareth was then caught after really smashing the last few overs to all parts of the ground (4 fours and 3 sixes), Sheldon “The Gun” Van Der Merwe got a GOLDEN DUCK, then Kevin “Sheldon’s Dick” Kruger (5*) and Vernon “Banker” Van Den Berg (1*), in potentially his last game for the club with imminent retirement looming, got us through to the close of play, with our 5th time past 200 in the season, leaving us on 216 -8 in 35 overs.



With both of our traditional openers not available to play, I gave the responsibility of opening the bowling to Cameron and The Gun, who both took up the challenge and bowled extremely tightly, with the Bluedowns openers getting lots of edged runs until the 10th over when The Gun struck, leaving them, 53-1 in ten overs. Both openers were very unlucky during their spells and they can be proud of their new-ball efforts, great to see new talent for the Stag coming through. On the point of our normal openers not being available, both ended up as the best bowlers of the season with Garth West (17 wickets) and Byron Boonzaaier (18, and winning the wicket taker’s title race), and they were well supported by Kevin “Sheldon’s Dick” Kruger who got 14 sticks this year, and bowled extremely well, into the wind, at the death. Back to our game – After the opening spells, it was time for Kevin Squared, as Kevin

“Sheldon’s Dick” Kruger (4-46 in seven) and I (2-12 in seven) bowled in tandem, and in our first 10 overs together, we halted their run chase, and had very special things

happen. Baby took a catch at 1st slip off my last ball of an over, the next ball, I caught one at 1st slip off Kevin, and the NEXT ball, Foetus caught one at mid-off – a hat-trick of Silver brothers hat-trick – and the NEXT ball with Sheldon’s Dick on HIS hat-trick, he had a plumb LBW shout that was NOT given....what can one say about that, especially after we had given the opponents 2 LBW’s!!! Gareth (0-9 in one over) and Baby (2-5 in 2,2 overs) also had a trundle, and with a bonus point in mind, we tried hard to finish the game before the 29th over...sadly this didn’t happen but a good run-out by Gavin in the 31st secured us the points, with Bluedowns ending up all out, on 151. On a fielding note, I dropped the only catch of the game, Iwan Boonzaaier took his first catch of the season, making this outing our best fielding display yet, and Gert wins the fielding prize with 11 dismissals, well done, old friend!!!

Captain’s thoughts:

Season done!!! And on reflection, as Ian Ross said, probably my best season in my career, but not for the reasons we were discussing at the time, but because I saw a lot of youngsters come through our team and get the nod up, I saw a group of elderly statesmen enjoying their cricket to the full, I could share the field with my brothers, have my father there to experience this, AND be our dedicated scorer, and I saw a team gel into a really cohesive cricketing unit and become friends. From the early fitness preseason efforts, to the games that followed, this band of brothers flew the Silverback flag extremely well, and we have branded this team in our club and put fear in the opponent’s minds.

Thank you to every player for all your hard work and dedication, and for your time and sacrifice, without all of you, we wouldn’t have this team. To my father, Keith “Senioreset” Silver, thank you for scoring and your commitment to this team. To the support staff at the Stag, from the kitchen to the committee, a big thank you for all your efforts in making our club as strong as it is. Special mention to the captaincy team, and in particular, the club captain, Neil Perich, for the fair and easy handling of our selection process, and the rein to run this team correctly.



My troop made me proud this season, we will be back.

This is your captain speaking,

Kevin "Senior" Silver, the Silverback

REPORT COMPILED BY: KEVIN "MOGGY" SILVER

(Well done Skipper, you lead with enthusiasm and I am sure all enjoyed a great season, they say there is always a "Silver Lining to every cloud")

Until next week.....

From the Boundary Rope was edited by Coach Craig

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