

24th Aug Stragglers of Asia vs Sydenhurst Ramblers

Result: Draw

Team Batting First: Stragglers of Asia

	Inits	Name	How Out	Fielder	Bowler	Score
1	T	Brierley	Bowled		Phillips	37
2	A	Pickering	Bowled		Foster	9
3	C	Ward	Bowled		Underwood	57
4	C	Brown	Caught		Underwood	7
5	B	Sim	Caught		Underwood	31
6	W	Rodnight	Caught	Wair	Wair	12
7	J	Waugh	Caught		Underwood	1
8	P	Downman*	Caught		Wair	3
9	M	Hunt	Bowled		Wair	6
10	P	Friend	Bowled		Wair	7
11	N	Trapani+	Not Out			0
Extras:						15
Total for 10 wickets:						185

FOW: 1:29 2:88 3:105 4:125 5:150 6:157 7:169 8:177 9:185 10:185

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Goodall	9	1	43	0
Foster	8	1	35	1
S Phillips	8	1	35	1
Underwood	14.3	0	37	5
Wair	7	0	22	3

Team Batting Second: Sydenhurst Ramblers

	Inits	Name	How Out	Fielder	Bowler	Score
1		Foster	Caught	Trapani	Sim	33
2		Daugnpolt	Bowled		Rodnight	3
3		Suayne	Bowled		Sim	2
4		Swainson	Caught		Sim	22
5	J	Hamilton	Bowled		Friend	18
6	S	Phillips	Run Out			60
7	T	Moake	Bowled		Waller	22
8		Goodall	Not Out			9
9		Wair	Not Out			5
10		Phensmut	DNB			
11		Underwood	DNB			
Extras:						15
Total for 7 wickets:						186

FOW: 1:16 2:26 3:66 4:69 5:121 6:169 7:179

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Waugh	9	0	26	1
Rodnight	11	5	25	1
Sim	14	2	42	3
Ward	5	1	12	0
Friend	7	0	36	1
Hunt	3	0	16	0
Pickering	2	0	19	0

Match Report: This was our first fixture against Sydenhurst Ramblers. The game took place at Brook CC in deepest Surrey, with whom our opponents are closely connected. Having lost the toss we were inserted, not surprisingly as the pitch was too damp to afford a prompt start. Negotiations resulted in an early lunch being taken before start of play, so that ultimately just a little time would be sacrificed to the elements. Despite the conditions we got off to a solid start as Timian Brierley batted positively. Chris Ward at 3 provided the main and best innings with a stylish 57 and Ben Sim shepherded the middle and lower order. However, most of the rest of us succumbed to inappropriate shots and it was felt that we should have amassed more than 185.

The Ramblers had in excess of 50 overs to score the runs. However, good accurate bowling from our seamers ensured slow progress for the hosts who were 69 for 4 at one stage. Their number 6 batted well and reversed the rise in run-rate required for victory and the game remained evenly poised thenceforth, thanks also to some of the best Stragglers' fielding I have experienced. When S Phillips was excitingly run-out in the closing stages, even more drama was to come. In the penultimate over of the last 20 we thought we had secured another wicket and a dot ball with a high catch at mid wicket off a full toss. But while we celebrated the batsmen completed a second run because the delivery was adjudged a "no ball" on grounds of height and understandably we had not heard the umpire's call. When the last delivery was due the scores were even. The batsman shuffled down the pitch to meet the ball which hit him on the pads and they scrambled a single. Bad luck to the boys who had striven tirelessly for each other and showed magnificent team spirit.