

Blog from the Boundary, 1st XI v Preston Bissett 7th June 08

Credit where's credit due, we got done over good and proper. PB batted, fielded and bowled better than we did.

After a close divisional cup game against our hosts a couple of weeks earlier it was always going to be close, not that close as it turned out.

Stuey won the toss and fielded first, on a track that kept lower than a snake's belly. Things went accordingly to plan in the first 20 over's, 74 for 2 quickly turned to 90 odd for 4. Perhaps we thought the best batting had come and gone? Cox and Leddingham helped themselves to a match winning 85 partnership, thanks to some shoddy fielding (with at least 4 good chances spilled) and buffet (help yourself) bowling, PB finishing on 202-7, at least 50 more than we should have allowed.

GP's innings didn't really get going; early wickets from some tight line and length stuff meant we were never in the running. Poole and Hunt both taking 4 scalps apiece meant we stuttered along to 78 all out. Only two GP soldiers making double figures!

To top that there was not even any entertainment at our local hostelry for the Sat'day night team to enjoy.

Let's look on the positive side though.

- We're still in the running, only 4 point behind 2nd and 14 behind top spot
- We fielded the youngest bowling quartet that Div 3 has seen for a many a year, Ash being the old man at 18!
- Our fielding can't get any worse than this, can it?

You can sense Dot really wants to wind up this report rapid.

Finally some wise words from the old owl.

If you can't accept losing, you can't win.- **Vince Lombardi (American Football Coach)**

Keep Your Peckers Up!- **Dot (GP's number one fan)**

More soon, Dot