

Blog from the Boundary, 1st XI v Wardington 5th June 2010

After a week out of action due to rain we skipped over to Wardington, 2nd in the league and looking to knock GP off the top spot. Pinny (on some sort of jaunt to the smoke) and Kaush (out with a compound fracture/ triple break/ stitches/ bruising/ broken nail (delete as appropriate) of the little finger couldn't make the game so in stepped Miles and Chirag.

Not knowing how the green top would play Lee asked them to set the target.

Ash and Chi opened up. You could describe the opening over's as wayward but that's doing wayward a disservice, offside and leg side wides meant we gave them a mind numbing total of 28 extras during the innings. To be fair when we got the cherry on target they weren't really knocking it off the square.

Chirag took his first wicket for the Saturday side, getting one to rise with bloky gloving through to Lee. Asher followed this by taking a brace leaving the home side on the ropes at 30 odd for 3 after 13 over's.

Things started to look up as the 4th wicket stand started to take shape. With the score moving on to 50 odd before Wardington pressed the destruct button. Ady replaced Chi, even with a pulled Gluteus Maximus (arse cheek to you) he bowled off his short run and snaffled 3 wickets for 7 runs off 5 over's.

Sensing there was a bag full on offer Craig begged Lee to replace Ash and it didn't take long to join the party. His 4 over's went for 7 and in doing so took a cheeky 4 scalps.

So if you have been keeping up the 9 over's from the dynamic duo brought 7 wickets, all out for a mere 62 in the 21st over. Craig 4, Ady 3, Ash 2 and Chirag 1 all dipped their wick into the wicket bag.

Whilst we got them out for next to nothing we went back to the bad old days. We gifted 28 of the 62 runs they scored. Only one bat got into double figures (13).

It must be noted that the fielding was tip top. 7 catches, two notable clutches from Jase at 2nd slip/ gully.

Lee and Miles set about trying to knock off the total in double quick time. OK Lee slashed the first two balls through the slips for 4's but unless it hit them on the noggin they had no chance of snaffling. Miles took a liking to bloky, 6, 4, 4, 4 in the 2nd over took GP to 34 after only the 2nd over.

Miles did tickle one through to the keeper but Scott came in and kept up the momentum, passing their score after the 8th over.

Must be mentioned in dispatches that even when the scores were level Mr Peterson was pacing up and down the pavilion psyching himself up to go in to knock the winning run. Although with 32 over's left he may have had to push himself.

All done and dusted by 4pm, another 20 in the bag and zippo for the opposition who must be congratulated on taking this defeat in good spirit, a good bunch of chaps who must have been gutted after their good start to the season.

Following a sumptuous tea we tripped on back to Wootton to see the 2nds take a famous win against Middleton Cheney.

5 wins from 6 and with MK Air losing means we have stretched the gap at the top to 27 points. Dot thinks it's time for a couple of wise words, keep it up people.

- If you aren't going all the way, why go at all?- **Joe Namath (ex American footy player)**
- Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.- **Ralph Waldo Emerson (some American philosopher)**

Dot's play of the game- Miles hitting a monster 6

Dot's 'other' play of the game- Joshi taking one for the team in the outfield. Teeth all in place, just.

More next week! Dot