

# CAIRNS FUDGE CC



**Oxford Fudge vs London Fudge @ Kingston On 19<sup>th</sup> April 2008**

**Match type: Pro40      Weather: Cold/Wet/Misty      Wicket: Far from true...**

**Toss won by Oxford Fudge and they elected to Bat First**

## **Innings of: Oxford Fudge**

With the weather looking very unpredictable, Andrew decided that Oxford Fudge would bat first and to the crease came Mark Small and Ian (the bulldozer) Francis. After a lively opening over from the gasman Nick Cudahy, Francis and Small started to settle in, with Francis playing some carefully placed shots all over the ground. This didn't last long, as in the 3<sup>rd</sup> over; Small was caught out by a humdinger of a bowl by Cudahy, who uprooted his off stump. Celebrations were ongoing as Dave Jeffery cautiously made his way to the wicket. Jeffery looked to be shaken by Matthew Correal's sledging, as he slayed several air shots against both the excellent Kristian Jensen and Nick Cudahy. So shaky, in fact that with legs – a –wobbling and sweat – a –dripping, Jensen bowled him clean for a total of 3. He was replaced with Jim Clark, an unknown entity to the London boys, and a new challenge. And what a challenge it was, as Clark slowly played his way to an excellent 52, despite missing his blue blow up chair which had been occupied by a slovenly Jimmy Ray on the sidelines. Whilst Clark was playing, Kristian Jensen, the London captain made a change in bowling and brought on Jimmy Fargher and Barney Guest. Fargher bowled consistently for several overs, but to no avail and was eventually replaced by Steen Jensen. What an inspired move as he destroyed the Clark / Francis partnership by tempting Francis to fish in front of him and slap a straight drive right into the (swollen) hands of Simon Weaver. Weaver held on to what will possibly be the biggest moment in his cricket career. With fairy dancing consuming the London team, nobody noticed Andrew Milne make his way to crease. Cudahy was brought back in to the attack whilst Milne and Clark gathered runs. Clark underestimated Milne's speed, which ultimately led to the lolloping giant being run out for 10, thanks to some excellent fielding from John Monks. In came Jimmy Ray, blocking out all sunlight with his bulging muscular frame. He also looked to be in good nick and made his way to a steady 27 before being flummoxed by the sublime bowling of Barney (Autobahn) Guest. In came Chris Brougham, a product of the Fudge Academy. Again, another batsman in good nick and he made a steady partnership with Clark, before Clark retired on 52 to go back and slop in the blue blow up chair. Matthew Johnston joined Brougham and the two younger lads put on a fine show, racking up 25 and 32 respectively. Johnston was eventually caught by Daf (The eagle) Howells of K. Jensen's bowling. Andy Small came in to unleash hell, hitting a few cheekies, which eventually led to 18 not out. Brougham went

back to the sidelines with 25 having been bowled out by Nick Cudahy. The heat in the park stepped up as Paul (the Barrowmeter) Barrow came out. Having hit 2 excellent singles onto the offside, Fargher eventually got his wicket, slicing the bails off Barrows stumps with a slower delivery. Phil White came out to finish proceedings and hit a 4 not out, with London having bowled all their allocated overs. Oxford total: 254.

Batsman	How Out	Bowler	Total
1 M Small	Bowled	Cudahy	0
2 I Francis	Ct - Weaver	S. Jensen	38
3 D Jeffrey	Bowled	K. Jensen	3
4 J Clark	Retired		52
5 A Milne	Run Out	Cudahy	10
6 J Race	Bowled	Guest	27
7 C Brougham	Bowled	Cudahy	25
8 M Johnston	Ct -Howells	K. Jensen	32
9 A Small	Not Out		18
10 P Barrow	Bowled	Fargher	2
11 P White	Not Out		4
		<b>Extras</b>	<b>43</b>
		<b>Total</b>	<b>254</b>

Catches Dropped	
Weaver	

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Cudahy	8	1	25	2
K. Jensen	7	0	30	2
Fargher	8	1	50	1
Guest	4	0	30	1
Boden	4	0	13	0
Weaver	2	0	26	0
S. Jensen	2	0	12	1
Griff	3	0	30	0
Monks	2	0	26	0

### Innings of: London Fudge.

It was huge ask for the newly created London team to rummage out 254 runs, but K. Jensen was confident, putting out a pure firepower line up. Simon Boden and Steen Jensen opened the batting. Dressed in what can only be described as arctic attire, Jensen faced the first Ball from Phil White. He fished hard for runs but eventually got into trouble, squaring a pulled shot straight into the hands of Chris Brougham off the economical Matthew Johnston's bowling. Bamey Guest joined Boden, still buzzing from his bowling in the previous innings. Despite playing some steady defensive drives and looking as cocky as ever, he was dismissed trying to cut a 'tip ticker'. Mr Dependable, Ian Francis was at hand and caught Guest Out. Things weren't looking good for Jensen's Lions, although he knew what Paul Griffiths was capable of with the bat. Needless to say, The Griffter looked in great nick and continued to pile on the runs for the flagging London Fudge. Boden was dismissed having been caught by Jim Clark off Whites bowling for what can only be described as the longest 4 in cricket history. With Griff at the helm, he was joined by John Monks, who despite looking like a rabbit in car

headlights, played himself well into the game, surprising bowler Dave Jeffery. Jeffery got the hump and stepped it up a level. It worked and Monks, growing in confidence attempted to smash Jeffery's delivery straight back over his head. Unfortunately it trickled off his middle straight back in to Jeffery's hands. Jeffery smiled a Golem-esque smile, cuddling 'his precious' ball. Monks went off to be replaced with Jimmy Fargher. Jeffery had 4 balls remaining. Fargher hit 5 off 3 deliveries before playing a ridiculous piece of cricket, trying to play the ball with his feet having missed the ball completely. Leaving the wicket to raucous laughter, Fargher scowled and went back to the clubhouse to dry his eyes. All the while, Griff was powering away and all of the bowling Oxford had to offer. Much amusement was had at consecutive 6's of Milne's bowling, with Mexican waves erupting from the sidelines. Matthew Correal had joined Griffiths and began a dogged innings of 1. He coped well with the sledging, being a master of abuse himself. Little did this help, as his arch nemesis Andy Small clean bowled him. Out came the 'Dream' Weaver, hands still pumping red from his catch in the field in innings. With Tiger Woods -esque stokes, Weaver powered a sweet 4 off Small's bowling although the joy was short-lived as he was bowled by Small next ball. It was OK though, as Weaver is used to short-lived pleasures. He was replaced with Nick Cudahy, predominantly a bowler, although perfectly capable with the bat. Not this time, as Brougham appealed for a plum LBW shout. It was given, and London looked down and out. Daf Howells came slid out, having applied plenty of Vaseline to his red raw thighs. Shortly after Daf's arrival, Griffiths got a hot head attempting to play a straight drive from Brougham's delivery, resulting in a debatable LBW call. Applause rippled round in recognition of Griff's innings of 83. Kristian Jensen joined Howells at the crease putting on a great little partnership, despite the tie being over and done with. Howell's was eventually bowled out by Brougham for 10, leaving Jensen of 12 not out.

## OXFORD FUDGE WIN BY 113 RUNS

Batsman	How Out	Bowler	Total
1 S Boden	Ct Br'ham	Johnston	4
2 S Jensen	Ct Clark	White	4
3 B Guest	Ct Francis	White	0
4 Griff	LBW	Brougham	83
5 A Monks	C + B	Jeffrey	7
6 J Fargher	Bowled	Jeffrey	5
7 M Correal	Bowled	Small	1
8 S Weaver	Bowled	Small	4
9 N Cudahy	LBW	Brougham	0
10 D Howells	Bowled	Brougham	10
11 K Jensen	Not Out		12
		<b>Extras</b>	<b>11</b>
		<b>Total</b>	<b>141</b>

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
White	4	1	19	2
Johnston	4	1	13	1
Barrow	3	0	21	0
Jeffrey	2	1	2	2
Brougham	4	1	10	3
Milne	5	1	31	0
Small	2	0	8	2
Francis	2	0	20	0
Clark	2	0	14	0

An excellent day was had by all, leaving to much optimism for future inter-club matches.