

CAIRNS FUDGE CC

Cairns Fudge CC vs Oxenford CC @ Warneford On Saturday 26th April 2008

Match type: Pro40

Weather: Sunny

Wicket: Cracking

Toss won by Oxenford and they elected to Bat first

Innings of: Oxenford

After losing the toss it was key that the Fudge made a strong start. Chris Brougham and Phil White shared the responsibility of the opening exchanges and ensured that Oxenford were restricted to few runs. Fudge were keeping it tight but seemed unable to get that decisive breakthrough.

Dave Jeffrey came on at the Hospital End and had an almost immediate impact picking up the wicket of Oxenford All-Rounder Simon Wharton. This seems to be the turning point for the whole innings.

Skipper Andrew Milne joined Dave and increased the pressure on the visitors, having opener Das dismissed after some tidy work behind the stumps by Mark Small.

The Fudge then really began to turn the screw. A fine catch from Matt Correal which took an age to come to him, and an acrobatic effort from Daf Howells were backed up by a spell of 15 overs for under 30 runs, largely down to Andrew conceding a mere 4 runs of his 8 overs.

After the excitement of learning some of Daf's "Favourite Thing's", 2 more excellent catches were made by James Race and Andy Small (now fielding at deep-slip due to the pace of Chris Brougham!) as the home team began to close the innings.

Phil and Chris took another wicket each before Jay Ray finished up with a scalp with the last ball.

Batsman	How Out	Bowler	Total
1 Das	Stumped	Milne	36
2 Wharton	Bowled	Jeffrey	33
3 Glenn	Ct. Correal	Milne	0
4 Bastaple	Ct. Race	White	14
5 Mills	Ct. Howells	Milne	2
6 Kumar	Ct. Small	Brougham	31
7 Hamp	LBW	White	0
8 Owen	Bowled	Brougham	1
9 Martin	Not Out		2
10 Banks	Bowled	Race	3
11 Terry	Did not bat		
		Extras	17
		Total	139

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
C Brougham	8	0	45	2
P White	8	0	41	2
D Jeffrey	8	1	23	1
A Milne	8	5	4	3
A Small	7	1	20	0
J Race	1	0	3	1

Catches Dropped	
Milne 2	

Innings of: Cairns Fudge

Fudge opened the innings with a flourish, hitting two big boundaries in the first over. This was added to quickly by both openers, as it became clear that they weren't going to hang around.

Some comedy umpiring then nearly upset the ship, as Mark Small was adjudged LBW after his pad made an uncharacteristic bat sound. This was soon put right and he was allowed to continue, much to the approval of his seething brother.

Sadly this didn't last as Mark was soon given LBW again, but to his credit did not argue the again somewhat interesting decision.

Fun Dad was joined by Dave Jeffrey at the crease and the innings was soon back on track with some steady batting and some trademark fine shots off Dave's legs. Just as they seemed to be getting into their stride, Dave was bowled for 10 meaning the introduction of Matt Correal.

Matt showed patience with some strong defensive strokes as he tried to get off the mark. He was soon in the runs 2 overs later as he latched onto a wider delivery. Ian was still going strong at the other end as he closed in on his half century and the privilege of becoming the first batsman to achieve his half colours.

Soon after he got off the mark, Matt was back in the pavilion as he left a delivery, only to lose his leg stump.

Chris was now at the crease, playing some blinding shots and making Ian run 3, something that hasn't happened since the Titanic left Southampton. The Fudge were well and truly on top, and closing in with overs, and men spare.

Chris was eventually caught by the catch of the match for 12, as he seemed to be in full control.

Smally joined Ian with the information that he had reached 49. 3 balls later the comedy umpire struck again, giving yet another controversial LBW decision, much to the surprise of Ian. To his credit Ian showed his age and took the decision on the chin?

It was left to Smally and Jay Ray to see the Fudge home with 11 overs still to go.

Result: Cairns Fudge Win by 5 wickets (29 overs)

MOTM: Ian Francis

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1 M Small	LBW	Wharton	14
2 I Francis	LBW	Hamp	49
3 D Jeffrey	Bowled	Owen	10
4 M Correal	Bowled	Martin	2
5 C Brougham	Caught	Martin	18
6 A Small	Not Out		18
7 J Race	Not Out		20
8 D Howdls			
9 N Ragg			
10 P White			
11 A Milne			
		Extras	19
		Total	140

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Wharton	6	0	23	1
Kumar	5	0	5	0
Banks	4	0	29	0
Owen	6	1	30	1
Martin	5	0	18	2
Hamp	3	0	27	1