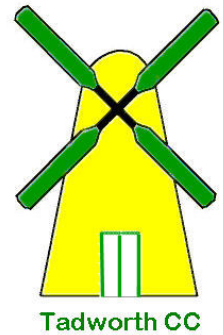


# SURREY DOWNS LEAGUE

## DIVISION 4

SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JULY 2008



### TADWORTH 2<sup>nd</sup> Xi v WOLDINGHAM 2<sup>nd</sup> Xi

TADWORTH 186 all out  
WOLDINGHAM 188 FOR 5  
Woldingham won by 5 wickets

Having gone 7 games without losing and with confidence high this was the game the Tadworth players had been waiting for, an opportunity to show they are no pushovers.

And to redeem themselves after the humiliation of being bowled out for 44 runs when they visited league leaders Woldingham earlier in the season. The result was not the one they wanted but this time they did at least compete and got much of their respect back.

Tadworth's more recent results must have given the Woldingham captain food for thought as he won the toss and asked the home side to bat, a decision which very early in the match proved to be the right one.

Gary Mason, Tadworth's most successful bat was back in the pavillion without scoring and with Dodsworth (13) and Davison(12) following soon afterwards Tadworth at 39 for 3 were in some trouble.

Tight and accurate bowling made runs hard to come by and in no time the batting side were falling well behind an acceptable scoring rate, Richards and Ahamed however persevered taking the total to 67 before Ahamed went for 17. Richards and Anthony continued the revival and with the Woldingham back up bowlers falling short of the standard set by their openers there were now loose deliveries and runs came easier.

Richards and Anthony put on 50 for the 5th wicket before Richards was dismissed for 39, Napier was then sent in to push things along, which he did with a quick cameo 15.

It was now 137 for 6 and the rate far more reasonable but then Anthony's innings came to an end after he had hit a vital 33. Skipper Gary Sewell(28) and Paul Griffiths (13 not out) took over at 150 for 7 taking the score on to 184 before Sewell went but only two runs later Tadworth were all out for 186.

Woldingham's best bowler Hamilton with 3 for 58.

Tazer and Dhileepar opened the batting for Woldingham and had a reasonable start putting on 35 for the first wicket before Dhileepar was caught behind by Napier off Mason. Tazer was then joined by Karthi and the pair took the score on to 84 when we had the unusual dismissal of Tazer for 44 when he handled the ball.

Karthi's new partner was Crowther and the pair were rarely troubled by the Tadworth bowlers, Crowther in particular showed little respect for any bowler and although limited in his shot selection thanks to having a good eye hit most of what was thrown at him.

With 160 on the board part time occasional spinner Sarfras Ahamed was given the ball bringing immediate success with only his third delivery Crowther caught by Dodsworth for 49. Within the space of two overs Ahamed had picked up two more wickets and I am sure his countryman Murali would have been proud to have the figures of 3 for 7 which Sarfras returned. It was all too late though and shortly

afterwards Woldingham reached their target 188 for 5 running out comfortable winners, Tadworth probably flattered in only going down by 5 wickets.

The questions to be asked did the usual Tadworth wicket taking bowlers under perform or were the Woldingham batsmen on the day just too good for us?

Now for Netherne and hopefully back on the winning trail.

Not sure who wrote this report, I will know better after the last game.

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