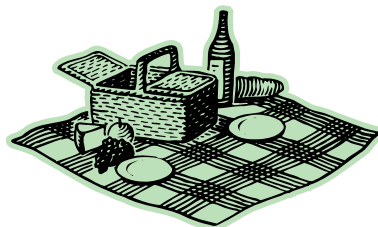


Under 11's Newsletter.

Sandwich was no picnic!



Hythe U11s played Sandwich U11s at the Butts on Sunday 5/7/09 and lost by 90 runs.

Sandwich batted first and benefitted from some tremendous hitting by one of their openers who scored 51. That was apparently his third half century this season. A very talented player and, as well as praying he didn't hit the ball at you, I hope you watched how well he hit the ball with a lovely follow through.

Sam and **Dylan** bowled well to the first pair despite the carnage and Sam managed to pick up one wicket.

Things calmed down a little after the first pair and **Tom** bowled tightly to regain some control. **James**, **Harry** and **Jamie** all stuck to their tasks though did not pick up a wicket.

Max bowled well, as usual giving himself the responsibility of the last over. He picked up our only other wicket with a lovely in swinging Yorker. He also once again displayed his understanding of the game with good bowling and field changes.

I thought our fielding was excellent.

Sam put down a hard chance in the covers and I was delighted that **Euan** dropped what Max assured me was a thin edge as I hadn't heard it and would have given it not out anyway!

A special mention for Euan who as usual kept wicket very well. Desperately unlucky to drop a skied top edge he covered the ground to the ball and dived and caught it only to bang his elbows on landing and see the ball roll out of his gloves. Also a very quick attempt at the stumping I asked for from the last ball of the Sandwich innings.

The team looked very sharp in the field. **Sam** threw himself all over the place as usual and I saw **Dylan** attacking the ball on several occasions to prevent the batsmen taking a single. **A bravery award should go to Max** who saved a certain boundary off his own bowling from a fiercely struck drive straight back to him. Max got a hand on it and saved 3 runs.

We bowled a few more wides /no balls than last week and did not get the chance to run anyone out, though all throwing in was accurate.



Our batting was vastly improved. It was lovely to see everyone batting with real intent and aggression.

Harry smashed a couple of 4s in a good opening partnership with **Dylan** who supported and ran well. **Harry** showed real determination in his innings and has a very good eye for the ball. I also noticed his concentration was much higher today. *A good opening partnership against a fast attack.*

Tom and **Euan** went about their business very efficiently and scored 32 runs between them. They did suffer 4 dismissals though which obviously undid a lot of the good work they had put in. Never the less great to see the ball disappear to the boundary so often.

Jamie and **Max** kept the momentum going with Max playing a supporting role to Jamie who batted very well. **Jamie was once again the top scorer for us.** An angled front foot drive for four past cover was the highlight. They both did very well to avoid a few fast beamers provided by a Sandwich bowler.

Sam and **James** persevered at the crease though got stranded at the same ends and were unable to nick the quick singles the other partnerships had excelled in. Both however did not get out and that helped improve the value of the partnership.

Lovely to see **James hit his first boundary for the team**, an extra cover drive I'm sure he is still talking about to anyone he can find that will listen!

I was unable to see exactly how many boundaries we hit but it was around 14 which was the target set. A great achievement against probably the best bowling we will see this season.

I really enjoyed the game and can assure you not many teams will score as many runs against Sandwich this season.



Bowling Stats	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Sam	3	0	31	1
Dylan	3	0	33	0
Jamie	3	0	27	0
Tom	3	0	17	0
James	2	0	19	0
Harry	3	0	25	0
Max	3	0	18	1

Batting Stats	Runs	Dismissals
Dylan	5	1
Harry	11	1
Tom	13	1
Euan	19	3
Jamie	20	1
Max	3	1
James	5	0
Sam	7	0

Bowling point goes to Max

Batting point goes to Jamie

Player of the day goes again to 2 players. Firstly James for the pleasure he showed after hitting his first boundary and to Tom for yet another solid all round display.

Tom's game is improving every match and I have noticed a real maturity showing through in how he not only conducts himself on the field but also the encouragement he gives others.

It was hard to pick a Player of the day for this match as I think you all played well and were a credit to Hythe Cricket Club.



Match against Folkestone:

We have been able to re-arrange our rain affected fixture with Folkestone B. It will be played at **Cheriton Rd on Sunday 12/7**. If selected please be there at 09.00 for a 09.30 start.

I appreciate this is short notice and if unavailable please let me know so I can arrange a replacement.

Team to play Folkestone B

Max
Tom
Harry Stracey
Theo
Sam
Dylan
Euan
Jamie

That should do it....

Just to mention that Clare and Amy raised **£41.50** for U11 funds serving food and drink today at training. This is building up nicely now and without the coaching to pay for we are not sure how to best spend it to benefit the lads. **Any suggestions welcome**. Some suggestions include a family fun day at the end of the season and winter indoor coaching.

Look forward to seeing you all next Sunday.

Practice that bowling and fielding and let's see if we can get another win under our belts.

One shot in particular to work on is the **leg glance**. A few of you are missing out on full balls on or outside leg stump by trying to hit across the line and hit the ball too hard. This is a simple area to score in. **Rather than swing across the line play straight at the ball with an angled bat and the ball will deflect down to fine leg.**

Cheers

Rod.