

HYTHE UNDER 11'S

CRICKET

Match report:

Hi all:

The U11 team played Folkestone A at Cheriton Rd on Sunday 24/5/09 and lost by 36 runs.



Hythe fielded first and the first thing to comment on was the superb improvement in the bowling. We gave away far fewer wides and no balls.

This, plus some accurate line and length bowling from everybody, restricted Folkestone to a score of 289.

Leading the way again was Dillon with 2 wickets with Jamie and Theo picking up a wicket each. Sam bowled a very lean spell conceding only 8 runs from his 3 overs. Tom, Max and Harry also bowled well without picking up a wicket. Max once again took on the responsibility of bowling the last over which is the only over when wides or no balls have to be rebowled.

The fielding was on the whole very good, with some good throwing in, particularly Tom and Sam who threw in well from the boundary. Euan gave another excellent display wearing the gloves, especially on the leg side, with only 2 byes getting passed him and a couple of quick thinking attempts to stump batsmen.

There were a few misfields and I would remind you all to get down low when fielding the ball with your knee on the floor using your lower leg as a barrier to stop the ball incase you miss it with your hands. I would much rather send you to the pavilion for an ice pack for your bruised shin with you having stopped the ball than signal a four after a mis-field! It would be good to hear a little more noise whilst you are in the field, clapping good balls and encouraging the bowler.

Our batting again progressed steadily but no one was able to really get going against what was an excellent bowling performance by Folkestone. Jamie, Harry and Sam all top scored with 7 each. Tom and Max showed some good aggression but were unable to get going. Dillon persevered for an unbeaten 5.

Whilst I was umpiring I noticed that several of our batsmen did not take a guard when arriving at the crease. It is important to do this as the mark you make lets you know where your stumps are and therefore enables you to judge if a ball is going wide or hitting the stumps. if you are not sure how to ask for a guard ask me at coaching on Sunday and I will show you. Also try to remember to run your bats in to the crease when taking singles as we nearly lost a couple of wickets to run outs. Again, for those of you that don't understand this I will demonstrate at coaching.

In all another good performance against a strong side.



Bowling v. Folksetone A

Sam:	3 overs	0 maidens	8 runs	0 wickets
Tom:	3 overs	0 maidens	15 runs	0 wickets
Jamie:	3 overs	1 maiden	12 runs	1 wickets
Max:	3 overs	0 maidens	28 runs	0 wickets
Theo:	3 overs	0 maidens	21 runs	1 wicket
Dillon:	3 overs	1 maiden	6 runs	2 wickets
Harry:	2 overs	0 maides	15 runs	0 wickets

Batting v. Folkestone A

Jamie:	7 runs	1 dismissal
Theo:	1 run	No dismissals
Dillon:	5 runs	No dismissals
Harry:	7 runs	No dismissals
Max:	5 runs	2 dismissals
Tom:	3 runs	1 dismissals
Euan:	3 runs	2 dismissals
Sam:	7 runs	2 dismissals

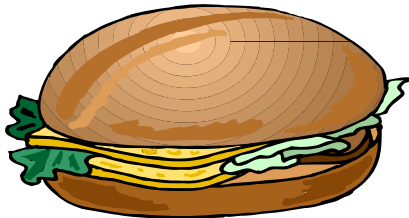
We are going to award points for best batsman, best bowler and player of the day for each match we play with a prize for the winner in each category at the end of the season.



Against Sibton in our first game the bowling point went to **Dillon**, the batting to **Jamie** and the player of the day went to **Euan**.

For yesterdays game the bowling point again went to **Dillon** for bowling 3 overs 1 maiden 2 wickets for 6 runs. **Harry** won the batting point for scoring 7 runs and not being dismissed and the player of the day was **Theo**. Theo wins this because I have seen him bowl twice at Folkestone with very little luck. On one occasion a delivery passed between middle and leg stump but did not dislodge the bails and another time he hit a batsman's pads and the ball rolled on to hit the stumps again not dislodging the bails. Undaunted he persevered and finally picked up a well deserved wicket with almost his last ball of the day. A great determined attitude.

There is no match this Sunday so training as usual. Our next game is on the 7/6 and we face a wicket keeping crisis as Euan is unavailable that day. *If anyone fancies themselves as an up and coming Geraint Jones let me know at training.*



I would like to suggest that any parents coming to the training on Sunday do not eat breakfast before leaving home and instead enjoy a bacon roll (or 2, or even 3 if unaccompanied by a calorie counting partner!) My wife, Clare, will be selling these plus a selection of hot drinks at very cheap prices to raise money for the U 11 squad. Hopefully any monies raised plus the match fees collected will pay for midweek coaching for the lads. Any over at the end of the season will go to the club colts section.

Well done to all that played on Sunday and I hope those that attended practice enjoyed themselves. I am going to rotate players to give everyone at least one match this season and preferably a minimum of two.

All the best and see you all on Sunday.

Rod.