

Dunsfold Cricket Club vs XXXXXXXX

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Well I'm struggling for numbers with only nine but well have a go



We are a bit unsure which green has been prepared, it could be that one?



Or the one over there?

But we decide to play on this one...



The green keeper has done a splendid job but I think it controversial that the pin is set so far to the back of the green, are we playing a four ball? Stapleford rules?

Oh it's a cricket pitch?! I put the golf clubs away. Queen Liz comes up trumps, what a toss to win on a green top clearly doctored to favour the home side. We'll bowl. Are you sure? Yes!

Adam starts us, still in contention for the bowling trophy trailing the absent Seb by a couple. Ed joins him and is getting some handsome swing and is unlucky not to have one caught edging.

Adam too has no luck finding a gap the slips. More slips please! Instead he bowls their opener. That brings their skipper Denton to the crease.

I rest my opening pair at over number eight. Peter and I take over, I'm struggling to generate the pace I'm famous for nursing my sore ankle.

A push to deepish mid-on and Denton thinks there is a single and there nearly was till Ed comes swooping from mid wicket to cut it off and under arm it at the stumps just shaving them to tickle off the bails, run out for 13. That's twice run out by Dunsfold on this ground in the bashes series this year, that's gotta hurt. This time we got him for 13

Peter has pace in abundance and bowls the other opener who is looking to get on with it.

They then hit the doldrums so I mix it up giving Lucas a go. He gets the junior bowled but as he is a junior he disputes the balls legality as it bounced twice. I give him a reprieve simply because young Harvey Stiles had walker plugged one of our gaps in the field. His older brother Jacob has been plugging another for us.

Besides its Conrads job to get the juniors out, you're up Conrad. Lucas has to console himself getting their number four to play on to only his second bad ball, it's all the good balls that does it.

Conrad can't seem to get the junior, strange?! Young Max Coveney is called into action showing promise for the years ahead. Stiles senior likes his bowling so unfortunately his spell is cut short.

Go on then Ed and Adam finish them off. Adam traps Stiles senior lbw while Ed has junior caught by his big brother. Here comes the Cronk, there goes the Cronk bowled by Adam. Oh and another for Adam caught by Whitney.

Here comes young Keith Gooch (70 next year) not impressed by the runless youngsters picking up a single first ball only to be left watching the dots from the other end as Cranleigh run out of overs just before they run out of wickets. 9-132 off 35 overs.

A lovely joint effort on the teas thanks Julie and Mrs Denton senior.



Julie spies something in the kitchen that might get slipped into the committee minutes!



Mike and Jacob open for us, Mike shows him the way, see you miss the one that's clipping the top of off stump, bowled quack. Jacob takes a while but sure enough follows Mike's lead in the fifth bowled the same way. At least he got a run Mike, just saying! Robs good for a boundary before the cunning old Gooch is back in the thick of it enticing a top edge caught by fine leg for 6. Peter gets to watch Ed show us how it's done before giving Dave White his third wicket. The postman has delivered three wickets but has run out of overs. Ed blasts a six to finish Gooch's seven nearly depositing it in the scorers lap, he gets a clap for the six and his fifty, not bad considering the total is 66.

Whitney had joined Ed and uncharacteristically starts with a trickle of singles before upping the rate. We were starting to speculate whether Ed can get to a ton despite the target only being 133. Pauls flurry puts pave to that notion as the deficits disappears. Another six to Ed is his swan song caught next legal delivery for a handsome 72.

Conrad joins Paul, we need twenty more which soon evaporates, Rob comes on to change things, the only change is the end of the game as Conrad slams him for four to win the Bashes series for Dunsfold

Dunsfold win by 6 wickets with 10.3 overs remaining.



I get my mits on the trophy, well done boys



Basking in the glory of victory



Sampling the sweet nectar of success



My Boy done good



A bowling "trophy" and 4 wickets, Can you play next week Seb??



Goochy decides to call it a day, we've got a bench for you over at Dunsfold, I'm sure the boys can make room for you