

## Dunsfold Cricket Club vs Downside Wanderers (H) Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2021

After a fantastic win over the presidents VI DCC was ready and up for yet another summer hit out and this week and welcomed the Downside Wanderers (DW) to their picturesque surrey hills pitch.

After winning the toss DCC chose to bat and the opening partnership of Max Cooke and Max Bell took to getting runs swiftly. Max Cooke scored a quick fire 18, but was dismissed by one of the sharpest bowlers DCC had faced this summer. In came his father Patrick Cooke who formed a great 2<sup>nd</sup>wicket partnership of 96 to take the scorecard to 1/139 off 23 overs- could we dare dream of reaching 200 on our own pitch off 35 overs. The DW fought back with the ball and took the next 4 wickets for 28 runs, but Christy Kulasingam and Steve McCullen steered us home so that we ended with a fantastic 197 on the board. Special mention goes to Max Bell who stood up to them and made a man of the match knock finishing with 70.

After a brief tea break DCC took to field with their tails high having an amazing 197 runs to defend, but were soon brought back down to earth when the first ball of the day was clattered to the boundary for 4. Apart from the innings first ball the opening bowling pair of Simon Benson and Harry Pite got us off the a fantastic start with both bowlers taking a wicket each in the first 4 overs. Most catches in the field were taken which assisted the bowling effort greatly and piled the pressure on the opposition batting attack. The DCC bowling attack was precise and methodical from start to finish with 6 of the 7 bowlers taking wickets to help steer us to a comfortable 60 run victory.

A special thanks goes out to the 3 Chelsea Arts CC players (Malik, James and Christy) who stepped in at the last minute and played well in all areas.

Next week DCC are heading to Alfold for what will hopefully be another great clash in the sun.

**Batting**:

M Bell: 70
M Cooke: 18
P Cooke: 31
M Berry: 0
J Jeans: 20
S McCullen 12 n.o
C Kulasingam: 16 n.o

**Bowling**: (Overs / Maidens / Wickets / Runs)

S Benson: 5/0/1/33 H Pite: 7/0/2/26 M Paterson: 5/1/8/2 M Kudmany: 5/0/12/2 J Jeans: 2/1/1/24 C Kulasingam: 5/1/2/9 S McCullen: 1/0/0/9

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