



Veterans Cricket Australia

Over 70s MATCH REPORT

GAME DETAILS:	Lead-up Match # 1
OPPOSITION:	OXFORDSHIRE SENIORS
GAME LOCATION:	Challow & Childrey Cricket Club, Oxfordshire
DAY & DATE:	Friday 19 July 2024
TOSS WON BY:	Oxfordshire Seniors

MATCH DETAILS

We enjoyed a good start - everyone was on the bus on time, and we found out Rex Bennett can count to 23. It was a nice leisurely one hour bus trip into Oxfordshire.

The lead-up game vs **Oxfordshire Seniors** — today's team: Lanigan, Bennett, Bulger, Davis, Drescher, Harrison, Lyon, Preston, Riley, Southall, Wijeratne and Wilson.

Inserted by the locals, we enjoyed a steady start with retirements to Wijeratne, Lanigan, Harrison, Wilson and Davis, saw the tourists amass 2 for 275 after 45 overs.



An early casualty in the bowling innings was Phil Drescher, who spiked himself while fielding and had to go off to the local hospital for stitches.

Rex Bennett and Ian Southall bowled tightly in the first 15 overs. The Oxfordshire seniors were cautious and the Australians bowled stump to stump, with the score at 2/35 at the first drinks break after 15 overs.

By 30 overs, the Oxfordshire Seniors had batted with enterprise, particularly Charlie Anderson retiring for 40. With a couple of late wickets, the score was 4 for 104 at the second refreshment break after 30 overs.

At the end, Oxfordshire reached 8 for 195. The wickets were spread fairly evenly, with the stand out being Ian Davis with a tidy 2 for 13 off 5 overs. Nine bowlers were used.



Challow and Childrey provided a beautiful setting for game one of the tour, and the club's hospitality was first-class. Everyone will be better for the run.

One element of good news is that only four stitches were required for Phil Drescher [just a scratch in his mind]. This should see him resume in a couple of games or so.

INNINGS OF		AUSTRALIA OVER 70s		
#	Batsman's Name	How Dismissed	Runs Scored	Balls Faced
1	Simon Lyon	Run Out	6	6
2	Asoka Wijeratne	Retired -- Not Out	40	53
3	Phil Drescher	Caught Manger Bowled Houseman	35	22
4	Kevan Lanigan [c]	Retired -- Not Out	42	51
5	Murray Harrison	Retired -- Not Out	40	54
6	Graeme Wilson	Retired -- Not Out	22	39
7	Ian Davis	Retired -- Not Out	43	33
8	Vince Bulger	Not Out	27	23
9	Mike Riley	Not Out	5	8
10	Ian Southall	Did Not Bat		
11	Rex Bennett	Did Not Bat		
12	George Preston	Did Not Bat		
	Extras	1 Leg Bye , 14 Wides	15	
	INNINGS TOTAL		2 / 275	

#	Bowler's Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs
1	C Houseman	5	0	1	57
2	A Haynes	9	0	0	43
3	A Weaver	9	1	0	35
4	R Pykett	9	0	0	50
5	A Manger	9	0	0	58
6	M Warry	4	0	0	31
	Leg Bye				1
					275

INNINGS OF		OXFORDSHIRE SENIORS		
#	Batsman's Name	How Dismissed	Runs Scored	Balls Faced
1	A Beecroft	Caught Davis Bowled Southall	3	35
2	... Watts	Run Out Lanagan / Harrison	6	12
3	C Anderson	Retired ... Not Out	40	59
4	A Shah	Bowled Wilson	29	43
5	G Senior	Bowled Davis	3	12
6	A Haynes	Caught Lanigan Bowled Wijeratne	38	40
7	A Manger	LBW Davis	11	11
8	P Howe	LBW Bulger	8	13
9	N Warry	Not Out	10	8
10	A Weaver	Caught Harrison Bowled Lyon	2	9
11	C Houseman	Not Out	8	3
12	R Pykett	Did Not Bat		
	Extras	6 Byes / 5 Leg Byes / 21 Wides / 5 No Balls	37	
	INNINGS TOTAL		8 / 195	

#	Bowler's Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs
1	Ian Southall	7	2	1	21
2	Rex Bennett	5	2	0	7
3	Mike Riley	7	0	0	30
4	George Preston	6	0	0	28
5	Ian Davis	5	1	2	13
6	Graeme Wilson	5	1	1	32
7	Vince Bulger	5	0	1	17
8	Asoka Wijeratne	3	1	1	17
9	Simon Lyon	2	0	1	191
	5 Leg Byes / 6 Byes				11
					195