

Christchurch Sat 3rd Match Reports 2008

Mundeford 4th, 17th May. Barrack Road.

After the stand-in Captain Nick Mullings lost the toss we were put into bat by Mundeford and this fell to Matt Norman and Ollie Green who then put on over 80 runs before Matt Norman was bowled having been dropped 4 times previously. Ollie Page went in at No 3 and also scored 33 whilst Ollie Green amassed 71 runs stylishly and effortlessly. The only wayward batting went skyward but there was some good confidence building run scoring by Ant King and new player Ben Smith, who were replaced by Kit Vincent and N Mullings who took the score up to 227 for 6 with some fast scoring at the end.

Ant King and Jake Dear opened the bowling well with some straight and non nonsense bowling although the pitch was lifeless and the batsman slowly played themselves in. Some line and length bowling kept the run rate down below ours and the pick of the bowling saw Tom Havelock take 3 wickets, and J Dear and O Green take 2 wickets ably supported by K Vincent, Piyush and N Mullings. Mundeford did not put up much of a struggle despite having more adults than Christchurch and finished on 138 all out - some 90 runs short of what was needed.

An excellent result for this first return by a Christchurch team to the Christchurch Barrack Road pitch after an absence of many years.

Nick Mullings