

U11 Manannans Take The First Round

On Sunday 26th June the first round of the U11 and U13 Super 2s matches took place at Crosby and Cronkbourne respectively.

The U11s started on time at Crosby even though it was drizzling and the Glashtyn's captain Dollin Jansen won the toss and decided to bat first. Nathan Brew and Joe Humphrey walked out to open the batting to face Manannans captain Jacob Butler. The Glashtyns made a steady start against some tidy bowling from Jacob and Michael Webber until Joe was bowled by a dipping ball from Jacob. James Weight joined Nathan at the crease but unfortunately Nathan had to retire hurt diving in for a quick single and was struck on the shoulder by a throw. Nathan was replaced by Brodie Hatcher at number 4. Brodie supported Finch Hill team mate James who played some excellent cuts and cover drives. Brodie was bowled by the impressive Charlie Brkic and then Nathan feeling better after an ice pack returned to the crease and proceeded to play some lusty pull shots. He eventually was bowled by Henry Telford for 11. James was also out shortly afterwards caught down the leg side by wicketkeeper Harry McAleer for 18. Teammates Isaac Quayle and Christian Webster came together and batted well with Christian hitting a large 6 over mid on. The introduction of leg spin in David Sargent brought some quick wickets with Christian stumped by Harry and Isaac falling to an excellent catch by Luke Parry at point. After drinks Dollin Jansen and Nathan Williams proceeded to re build the innings with 20 overs still to play. Nathan though fell for 2 by hitting a pull shot straight to Henry. Toby Poole Wilson 1, Ziv Rosenthal 1 and Brodie 2 not out batting again supported Dollin with some excellent clips off his legs and cover drives until he was the last wicket to fall for 22 caught by Bliss Murtagh off the bowling of Michael Webber. The Glashtyns finished on 107 all out from 27.2 overs.

All the bowlers and fielders did well in the wet conditions with Charlie Brkic 5.2 overs 1 maiden 3 wickets for 10 runs and David Sargent 6 overs 1 maiden 4 wickets for 16 runs. Jacob, Henry and Michael all picked up 1 wicket each and only bowling 12 extras in 27.2 overs. Harry also conceding 0 byes and taking a stumping and a catch.

Opening the batting for the Manannans was Bliss Murtagh and Harry McAleer. Bliss and Harry started the innings well against opening bowlers Dollin and Ziv Rosenthal. Bliss eventually fell for 11 bowled by Dollin. Harry was joined by Luke Parry and these two proceeded to score runs freely all round the ground putting on 28 for the second wicket. Harry was then run out for a well made 28 by an excellent direct hit from Nathan Williams from square leg. Harry learning from the previous days match had played particularly well hitting straight down the ground. Luke Parry was joined by Henry and these two batted until drinks with the Manannans looking very well placed. But as often happens Henry fell almost immediately after drinks bowled by Nathan. In came Jenson Eve at number 5 after being promoted up the order. Luke Parry fell shortly afterwards bowled by Joe for a well made 18. This brought Luke Ward to the crease. Jenson played some excellent cover drives however each time the ball hit the middle of the bat a run out looked possible and so one occurred as Luke was run out by Joe with an excellent direct hit from cover. Ethan Hawley joined Jenson; but Jenson was then out LBW to Ziv for 17 and it was left to Ethan and Jacob to knock the runs off with the first victory going to the Manannans.

The Glashtyns had bowled valiantly with Dollin, Ziv, Nathan and Joe picking up a wicket a piece but 107 just wasn't enough. Isaac also did an excellent job wicketkeeping conceding only 5 byes having never kept wicket for more than 16 overs before.

1-0 to the U11 Manannans!

There had been some excellent cricket on display in wet conditions with the bowlers showing good control and a number of catches and run outs in the outfield. A big lesson to learn is batters kicking on from good starts and making valuable contributions and utilising all 40 overs to make big scores.

Down the road at Cronkbourne the U13 Super 2s was being played. However rain was having a bigger influence here with the Glashtyns finishing on 107 for 5 and coming off for rain. Edward Walker and Jamie Hopwood were 20 and 14 not out respectively. Ibrahim Muhammed having figures of 5 overs 3 wickets for 22 runs and Spencer Clarke and Lewis Olier picking up a wicket a piece.

The next round of games is Sunday 10th July hopefully with the sun returning!

Huge thanks to the efforts again from the volunteers at Cronkbourne and Crosby CC.

Scorecards are here:

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