

This week saw another tough fixture with the promise of silverware in the form of the Parfett Cup as Leigh were the visitors. This has always proved an enjoyable, if routinely unsuccessful fixture, with the close links between the teams.

Fortunately Dangerous was back to offer some runs up top with the dangerous Denzil bolstering the stock of right arm medium slow bowlers. Josh had also recovered and looked better than you imagined, facially, though once again looked like a vagrant who'd been taken to see for 6 months.

Apparently there was no toss but an 'agreement' which saw Downe, as always, batting. Spindles started slowly whilst Dangerous continued in an attacking manner as you would expect following his 150 in the opening week. Such confidence was misplaced though on a two paced track and a catch was soon taken. Spindles having blocked every ball suddenly went mad thrashing 13 in one over, though again just as things looked to be progressing a lifter took the glove and a catch was taken. Marcus had now been joined by Josh at number 4 in what was either a stroke of genius or madness ! Sadly it proved the later and more were to follow his quick departure as wickets tumbled and in a blink of the eye it was 89-7 with around 20 overs still to play. One now suspects that the foot was 'taken off the throat' as the bowling changes were rung and runs flowed mainly to Doughnut who put on 54 with young Zack who resolutely held an end. Both departed in quick succession to leave the last pairing of Denzil and Nev to add another 40 odd. Denzil swung in typical fashion with one slash over extra cover for 6 the pick of the bunch. An unlikely total of 182 resulted.

Excellent teas were again provided by Danielle who has set a fairly high bar on the home made cake front.

This week saw Josh joined by his old partner Sweet and an early break through settled the teams nerves. A second followed with some cunning play as Sweet sent one leg side with Trub performing an excellent take and taking the bails off. Josh soon found his mark and bails again were flying. With Leighs two key batsmen at the crease both openers were bowled out, with Sweets final delivery lifting and taking the glove of Sam. Trub chested the ball upwards with Spindles taking a superb catch to underline his claim to be a specialist slip fielder. This made up for his earlier effort when diving out of the way of the ball following which he and The Bear discussed who would be pursuing the ball. Apparently they decided it was too much effort as Trub eventually pursued it. The two Dave's had now taken over and things looked a little dodgy when Doughnut's first ball went for 6. We needn't have worried as he soon picked up Harry to a mistimed drive with Bear remarkably being alert enough to not only see the ball but take the catch. He then threw the ball in the air only to panic as he feared the ball would land on him. Remarkably Bish was hiding down at number seven and first ball was spanked. Sweets dive was so poor that even the Bear felt able to comment. This however was the stroke of genius Trub had been searching for as he was kept on strike and immediately caught next ball. Ben was then run out by Josh and the innings was in tatters. The last rites were left to Zack and Denzil who took a wicket each with Zack bamboozling the batsmen who shouldered arms to an away swinger only to see it seem back in ! Remarkably a huge win occurred considering the earlier position.

Sadly Trub never got his hands on the cup as mysteriously Bish could not find it, apparently being somewhere in his house or car. No doubt it will stay lost until Leigh are victorious again