My Dear Friends,

Another close call on Sunday. Well not quite. We had them 6 for 30 and they squeaked to 86 before they were all out. Peter and Sean O'Kane combined to take the first wicket. With Sean taking Honnsie's gloves for the day. Peter bowled very well to take 2 for 28 off his 7 overs as he eased back into cricket after a long absence. KG was slapped around to field and went for a massive 3 runs off his 5 overs. It wasn't clear who was more bamboozled by his movement and guile, the stand in keeper or their batters. The new recruit to the club Charlie (Graeme) Jackson bowled 5 sharp overs to take 1 for 21 and he seems destined to play in the higher grades. His wicket came off a sharp edge when Possum took a freakish left handed catch at second slip. Sniper took 2 for 3 and Juka took 1 for 15. Both bowled with control and had quite a bit of movement. I chimed in with a couple and if Seano is to keep next week he has requested ear plugs to minimise the fizzing noise. The fielding was very good, with particular mention to the Possum who held a second catch and Odie and KG were also very safe. Seano adopted Honnsie whole body keeping method and I believe the only part of his body that he didn't use at some stage was the roof of his mouth. (Thanks to Merv Williams for that reference).

We were relatively confident of an early day when Odie and Possum opened proceedings with a careful partnership of 12 off 6 overs. Sean came in after Possum selflessly gave up his wicket. He missed his first ball. I will list each of his balls as they it is quite staggering. Odie made a single off the first ball of the next over. The rest of the over went 6,6,6,6,6,6 which included a no ball. Odie then faced a maiden over from their impressive young quick. The Greenvale Skipper made a bowling change from the other end. That over went 4, 6,6,6,6,6. Odie faced another maiden. Sean then hit the first ball of the subsequent over for 6 to take us past their score in 10.1 overs. To save the maths Sean made 76 in 14 balls. He got to 50 off 9 balls. Odie and Sean had a 77 run partnership. It was awesome, brutal hitting.

Cheers Brett

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