

VPCCL News

Victoria Park Community Cricket League

Tigers and Millwall dominate



Division 1

London Tigers continued their unbeaten run in the VPCCL as they and Friends pulled off a tense tie. Opting to bat first, The Tigers, aggressive as ever smashed 183-5 with Mitu returning to the crease and finishing unbeaten on 76. Mohammned Naveed looked in super form before being run out by the keeper for 40 as Friends kept up with the rate to take it down a nervous final over. Needing three of the final ball, they only managed to run two before being run out on the third run - with the league wide open only Millwall, who rest this week have a hundred percent record. After two tough defeats, Sky returned to form with a comfortable victory over London Fields. With skipper Aleem Hussain out with an injured hand, Sky elected to bat first and struck a huge 213-5. Tariz Mahmood (51) and Mustafa (50) top scoring. Despite skipper Will Issas's enjoyably aggressive 41, the Fields fell well short finishing on 127-6.

Old Fallopians 1st XI continued their good run with another comfortable victory against Best Nationals. Bowling out Best Nationals for just 119. OF chased down the score with ease. Junaid Mohi striking 51 off just 23 balls. At the bottom, Mile End Tailenders chased down Banko Bears's 170 in a tense encounter. Bankso, batting first and looked in good nick with Tom Curtis (50) contributing with the bat. They then removed all three of Mile Tailenders dangerous batsmen cheaply including the in-form Sanj Gunewardene. However, Wilson Digby (47) and Sojhan Ariyadasa (41) hit back as the Tailenders won with just four balls to spare finishing on 172-3.



Division 2

If Division 1 is close, then Division 2 ended the week incredibly close, with three points separating four teams.

Victoria Lounge moved back to top with a tight victory over Crossrail, albeit with a game more than the others. Crossrail, who have won more of their matches chasing opted to put Victoria Lounge into bat and on the batting hard surface. It proved to be a costly decision as the Lounge enjoyed a wicketless innings thanks to scores from John Crutcher (50) and Tom Stevens (52) finishing on 168-0. Crossrail wobbled in their chase and despite some late strikes from Firoz Hussain (34) finished on 134-5. Another top of the table clash saw Camel Lights take on ExPat. Camel who have found form at the perfect time, suffered the early blow in the field when Sam Berkson broke his thumb fielding. Expat, missing several key batsmen and nursing a poor run finished on 148-5, Sam Addis top scoring with 50. Camels once again showed their depth in winning the key games as they raced to victory with Matt Redgrave (50) leading the way as Camels finished on 149-3 in 13 overs. Another challengers for the title Broadway kept up their momentum with a hard fought victory over Old Fallopians 2nd XI. Reducing old Fallopians to 121-4, Broadway eased home in just 8 overs, thanks to some super hitting from Ben Howard (53) and super striking from Ed Sherwood (44 from 18 balls). Homerton also kept up their chase on the leading pack with a narrow victory over L&Q Living. Sam Hickey was the hero for Homerton as he struck a superb 52 and alongside some last gasp hitting from Tom Towie (35) Homerton finished on 163-5. In reply L&Q finished thirteen runs short on 153.5 with Khalid unbeaten on 46.

Another chasing team Mad Marroccas kept up their good form with a comfortable victory over Sports Interactive. SI, batting first were bowled out for 85. MM chased down their target in just 7.3 overs thanks to 35 from Charlie Cox.

Mashia's hopes of catching the leaders all but ended as they were beaten by Pacific. Mashia, after a slow started hit a confident 161-4 with skipper Adnan Ali unbeaten on 51. However, some fine smashing from the Pacific openers, Toby Chasseaud (53) and Ben Boorman (51) comfortably leading them to victory in 12 overs.

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London Tigers
v/s
Millwall

Highest scores this season

	BATSEMEN	SCORE
1	S. Guewardene	103
2	R. Siddiqi	83
3	S. Greenland	78
4	J. Mulla	68
5	R. Siddiqi	68
6	M. Salman	65
7	A. Hickson	63

	TEAM	SCORE
1	Sky	248-3
2	Victoria Lounge	234-1
3	Friends CC	229-3
4	Mad Marroccas	224-3
5	London Tigers	222-3