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Royal Tigers captain Mubbur Jerry hits out. Picture: GEORGE WATSON

Victoria Park League's title races heat up as end looms

Cricket

The penultimate week in the Victoria Park Community League saw Anirban edge closer to the top with a tense victory over Old Fallopians as the heat for the title began to boil.

Anirban struck 146-6, led by superb half-centuries from Shakil Ahmed and Shumon Mah, before Fallopians fell short on 138 despite a solid start, with the top five all passing 10 and top scorers by Dilip Wright (32) and Mohammed Sinait (29).

Last year's champions Super Rangers beat London Fields in their final for the title as they scored 178-4 with Alif Bhat and Almal Adal striking half-centuries before Fields only managed 106.

Fields play Anirban next week and it's Anirban's title if they win. If they lose, it goes down to head-to-head in the division.

Rose & Crown saw off Victoria Lounge in a bottom-of-the-table



Liam Rodley on his way to 50 for I Don't Like Cricket. Picture: GEORGE WATSON

clash as they struck 151-4 with Charlie Chaffner (50) top scoring. Lounge ended on 114-4.

Wapping Dolphins lost their first ever league match this week to Mashtas as Jamal Ali's new hit 130-3 with top knocks from Tom Taylor (41) and Rizwan Siddiqui (38).

Despite an unbeaten 46 from Adam Haines, Wapping fell short in the gloom, ending on 122-4.

Meanwhile, Broadway had earlier seen off Camel Lights after hitting 1-4, with Shah Shabed (51) and Anandraj Venkatasamy (49) top scoring. Camels finished on 109 in reply.

Banako Bears ended their season with a comprehensive win over Mile Tallenders, striking 187-1, with top scorers from Kieran Kumaria (55) Andre Tate (50), before the Tallenders

finished on 91-6.

Royal Tigers smashed the highest score of the season against Old Fallopians in Division Three as they finished on 236-5 thanks to big knocks from captain Mubbur Jerry (52) and Qazi Hussain Shante (42). Despite an enjoyable, gritty 57 from Jack Turner, the Fallopians fell well short on 120-6.

The Tigers have dominated the league and their only opposition now for the title is Sylhet who edged past Phoenix All Stars.

Sylhet lost early wickets before ending on 123-5, thanks largely to a crucial 96 from opener Juma Khan, but Phoenix only managed 114-3 in reply.

I Don't Like Cricket fired on all four cylinders as they smashed a comprehensive 186-2 off 14 overs, with Liam Rodley (50) and Ross Legg (32) top scoring.

Lynx made a nightmare start in their run chase and failed to recover as Rohan Hope took a league season's best of 4-14, as IDLC dismantled them for just 86, cementing the title for IDLC.

NEWS

- We welcome feedback from the captains from this season, please click [here](#) for the feedback form
- The Divisional champions on 2020 are:
 - Division 1: Anirban
 - Division 2: Wapping Dolphins
 - Division 3: TBC (winner of Royal Tigers v/s Sylhet)
 - Division 4: I Don't Like Cricket
- I Don't Like Cricket have a fantastic podcast - <https://thecricketpod.com/>
- The committee will be meeting soon to discuss this season, we encourage all forms to be delivered as soon as possible so they can inform the meeting



REMAINING FIXTURES

	Sylhet Cricketers Association UK Sylhet SCA UK VIII		Royal Tigers Cricket Club Royal Tigers VIII	Sep 05:00 PM, BST	Victoria Park Cricket Ground Pitch 1	Victoria Park Community Cricket League 2020 Division 3
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MVP (With one game remaining)

1. 45.45 - Shameer Qureshi (Old Fallopians 1)
2. 45.02 - Ross Legg (IDLC)
3. 42.82 - Ajmal Afzal (Super Rangers)
4. 39.15 - Dudley Spiers (Wapping Dolphins)
5. 37.61 - Ishmail Malvad (Phoenix)
6. 37.28 - Tom Taylor (Masiha)
7. 33.27 - Andrew Tate (Bankso Bears)
8. 33.14 - Muhibur Jony (Royal Tigers)

Highest team score

1. 225-4 - (Royal Tigers)
2. 216-4 - (Sky)
3. 210-6 - (Sky)
4. 209-4 - (Lynxes)
5. 208-3 - (Old Fallopians 1)

Highest individual score

1. 67 - Mo Fahad (Sky)
2. 62 - Aminul Islam Amin (Anirban)
3. 62 - Safraz Ahmed (Sky)
4. 61 - Dave Rudd (Bankso Bears)
5. 59 - Andrew Tate (Bansko Bears)
6. 58 - Robbie Jacobs (Mad Marrocas)
7. 57 - Stefan Phillipson (Victoria Lounge)
8. 56 - Nozmul Hussain (Sky)
9. 56 - Troy Utz (London Fields)

Most Runs

1. 276 - Tom Taylor (Masiha)
2. 241 - Shameer Qureshi (Old Fallopians 1)
3. 217 - Dudley Spiers (Wapping)
4. 202 - Sagar Bora (Homerton)
5. 197 - Anandraj Venkatasamy (Broadway)
- 6.

Most wickets

1. 12 - Jamil Ahmed (Anirban)
2. 9 - Jamal Ali (Masiha)
3. 9 - Sheraz Shahid (Old Fallopians 1)
4. 8 - Tom Fulcher (Broadway)
5. 8 - Shameer Qureshi (Old Fallopians 1)
6. 8 - Iqbal Miah (Super Rangers)

Best Bowling

1. 4-14 - Rohan Hope (IDLC)
2. 4-19 - Tom Fulcher (Broadway)
3. 4-25 - Al Raji (Royal Tigers)
4. 4-38 - Alok Gope (Rose & Crown)
5. 3-6 - Danny Williams (Mad Marrocas)
6. 3-7 - Srikanth Kolan (MUFG)
7. 3-9 - Azharul Adnan (MUFG)
8. 3-10 - Bobby Watson (Wapping Dolphins)
9. 3-13 - Kiran Tailor (NMCC)
10. 3-15 - Chetan Phalak (London Fields)

Most 4s

1. 30 - Dudley Spiers (Wapping Dolphins)
2. 29 - Tom Taylor (Masiha)
3. 29 - Andrew Tate (Bankso Bears)

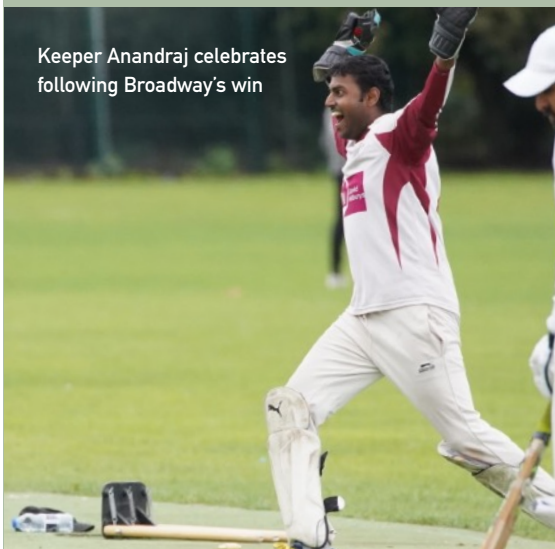
Most 6s

1. 12 - Hassan Ahmed (Sky)
2. 10 - Muhibur Jony (Royal Tigers)
3. 10 - Ahmed Salman Bappi (Royal Tigers)

DIVISION 1		Played	Won	Lost	Tie	Abandoned	Total points	Net run rate		
	Anirban Cricket Club, Anirban Viii	6	4	1	1	0	14.0	+1.658		
	Sky Cricket Club, Sky Viii	6	4	2	0	0	12.0	+0.474		
	Old Fallopians Cricket Club, OF 1st Viii	6	4	2	0	0	12.0	+1.105		
	Super Rangers Cricket Club, Super Rangers Viii	6	4	2	0	0	11.0	+0.704		
	London Fields Cricket Club, London Fields Viii	6	3	3	0	0	9.0	-1.095		
	Rose and Crown Cricket Club, Rose and Crown Viii	6	1	4	1	0	5.0	-1.149		
	Victoria Lounge Cricket Club, Victoria Lounge	6	0	6	0	0	0.0	-1.651		
DIVISION 2		Played	Won	Lost	Tie	Abandoned	Total points	Net run rate		
	Wapping Dolphins Cricket Club, Wapping Dolphins Viii	6	5	1	0	0	15.0	+2.213		
	Broadway Mkt CC, Broadway	6	5	1	0	0	15.0	-0.161		
	Homerton Cricket Club, Homerton Viii	6	4	2	0	0	12.0	+0.755		
	Masiha Cricket Club, Masiha Viii	6	4	2	0	0	12.0	+1.161		
	Bansko Bears Cricket Club, Bansko Bears Viii	6	2	4	0	0	6.0	+0.325		
	Camel Lights Cricket Club, Camel Lights Viii	6	0	5	1	0	2.0	-1.460		
	Mile Tailenders Cricket Club, Mile Tailenders Viii	6	0	5	1	0	2.0	-2.606		
DIVISION 3		Played	Won	Lost	Tie	Abandoned	Total points	Net run rate		
	Royal Tigers Cricket Club, Royal Tigers Viii	5	5	0	0	0	15.0	+3.572		
	MUFG Cricket Club, MUFG Viii	6	4	2	0	0	12.0	+1.610		
	Sylhet Cricketers Association UK, Sylhet SCA UK Viii	5	4	1	0	0	12.0	+0.886		
	Pacific Cricket Club, Pacific Viii	6	3	3	0	0	9.0	-0.273		
	Mad Marrocas Cricket Club, Mad Marrocas Viii	6	2	4	0	0	6.0	-0.046		
	Old Fallopians Cricket Club, OF 2nd Viii	6	1	5	0	0	3.0	-4.391		
	Phoenix All Stars Cricket Club, Phoenix All Stars Viii	6	1	5	0	0	3.0	-0.318		
DIVISION 4		Played	Won	Lost	Drew	Tie	Points	Abandoned	Total points	Net run rate
	I Don't Like Cricket Club, I don't like Cricket Viii	6	6	0	0	0	18.0	0	18.0	+3.528
	Lynxes Cricket Club, Lynxes Viii	6	4	2	0	0	12.0	0	12.0	+1.109
	De Beavour Dugongs Cricket Club, De Bouvoir Dudongs Viii	6	4	2	0	0	12.0	0	12.0	+2.517
	Wednesday Night Cricket Club, Wednesday Night Viii	6	1	4	0	0	4.0	1	4.0	-2.332
	Stokeley Scoundrels Cricket Club, Stokeley Scoundrels Cricket Club	6	1	4	0	0	4.0	1	3.0	-2.366
	NMCC Cricket Club, NMCC Viii	6	1	5	0	0	3.0	0	3.0	-2.937

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Keeper Anandraj celebrates following Broadway's win



Iqbal and Saif of Super Rangers



Royal Tigers batting against OF2



Run out off the final ball in the Anirban innings



Adnan 'Mak' Khan bowling for Masiha



Run out chance for NMCC batting against Stokey



The 'unofficial' wooden spoon match in Division 4 won by Stokey against NMCC



SUPER CUP HIGHLIGHTS



Jack Boone smashing a six for Broadway



Nine o'clock in the morning on a Bank Holiday isn't the obvious time for a cricket match, but Masiha and Broadway Market duly obliged with a rescheduled Division Two title deciding contest played in the hours before the first ever VPCCL Super Cup. Masiha only needed to beat Broadway to claim their first ever league title, whilst a win for Broadway would mean Wapping Dolphins gaining a third straight Divisional win. Opting to bat first, Broadway slipped to 40-2. Will Jack lost his wicket after he swung and missed in the second over off Jamal Ali, who claimed his second a few overs later - Anandraj Venkatasamy. The big hitting Venkatasamy had made a solid start, picking up an early boundary in his 14 before one too many heaves allowed Sheldon Greenland to take a fantastic catch at the boundary. The well-held take promoted Jamal to the second-highest wicket-taker of the season. Broadway opener and skipper Jimmy Knowles kept the runs ticking along in a patient but enjoyable 34. He was unlucky to be run out backing up after a strike back to the bowler Jason, who quickly snatched off the bails at the bowlers' end, leaving Knowles stranded and out. Jack Boone (30) alongside Ed Sherwood (26) continued to keep the runs accumulating, helping Broadway past 100 and towards the 150-mark. A few late hits from Luke Graham (23) and Tom Fulcher (11), carried Broadway to a total of 165-5.

In reply, Masiha's Amir Khan took the attack to the bowlers alongside team regular Tom Taylor. Khan unleashed a wonderfully aggressive 50, including five sixes, one beautifully struck over square leg. Taylor played his part with a wonderfully patient knock, cementing his place as the league's top run scorer this season with his fourth unbeaten 50 in six matches. Both men retired not out, leaving the match evenly balanced. Ramiz 'Rambo' Khan came into bludgeon Masiha above the strike rate with several swings. He eventually holed out to Luke Graham for 31 as Broadway took the initiative, with Jason following in quick succession, run out going for a quick single. In the final over Masiha needed just nine runs to win, but Broadway's Knowles cemented a superb all-round batting and bowling display by conceding just three runs. Adnan Ali was unable to get the ball away, with the big-hitting Sheldon Greenland stranded at the non-striker's end. Jamal Ali's men finished an agonising five runs short on 159-2. As a result Wapping Dolphins, who finished the division level on points with Broadway, claimed the title after having beaten Broadway earlier in the season.

Amir khan's square cut six for Masiha



Another fine knock from leading run scorer Tom Taylor



Crucial catch in the deep from Luke Graham



Captain and opener Jimmy Knowles hitting 34 for Broadway



Sheldon Greenland catching Anandraj Venkatasamy



SUPER OVER CUP

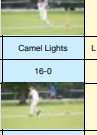
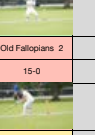
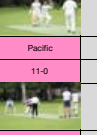
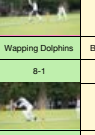
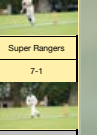
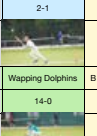
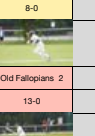
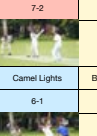
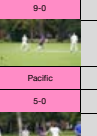
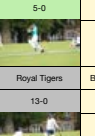
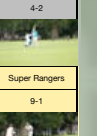
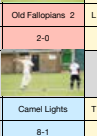
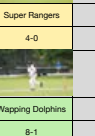
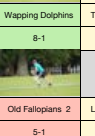
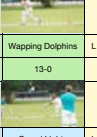
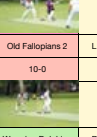
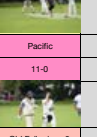
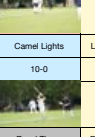
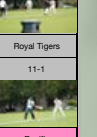
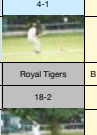
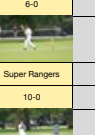
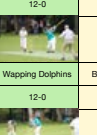
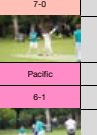
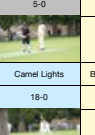
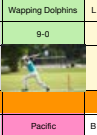
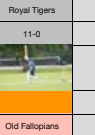
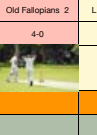
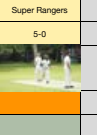
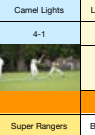
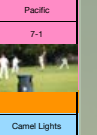
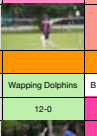
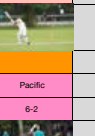
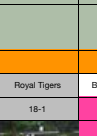
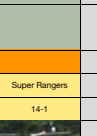
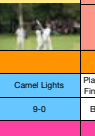
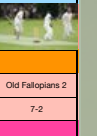
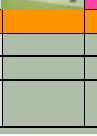
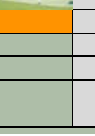
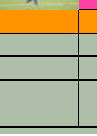
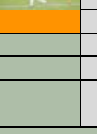
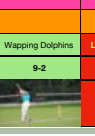
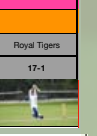
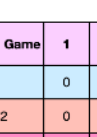
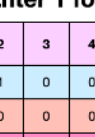
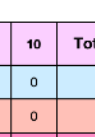
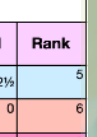
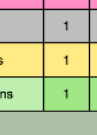
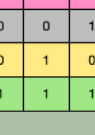
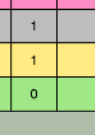
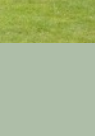
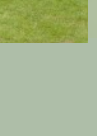
Covid-19 meant the League's annual knock-out cup tournament was abandoned this season for the first time in its 30-year history and replaced with a daytime Bank Holiday six-team super-over contest. Each team played each other twice in a group stage of 30 super over games across the three pitches. The top two gained a bye into the semi-finals, whilst the remaining teams met again in quarter finals, with the draw based on their finishing group stage positions.

Wapping Dolphins were the leaders at the half-way point of the group stage, winning four of their games and tying the fifth. Royal Tigers, Pacific and Super Rangers closely followed. Several highlights at the half-way point included Tim Gane's unbeaten 14, scoring all of Pacific's runs to defeat Division One's Super Rangers.

The second half saw Royal Tigers and Super Rangers claw their way back with victories over Wapping Dolphins. However, this wasn't enough for the Rangers as they finished fourth and booked a quarter final match against Camel Lights who had themselves tied with Wapping Dolphins. Pacific booked their quarter-final match against Old Fallopians, while Royal Tigers and Wapping Dolphins sailed through to the semi-finals on their

1st and 2nd place byes. Super Rangers eased past 5th-placed Camels, and Pacific defeated 6th-placed Old Fallopians. In the semi-finals, Royal Tigers edged past Super Rangers and Division 2 champions Wapping Dolphins beat Pacific to set up the final. Before this was played, Camels defeated Old Fallopians in the contest to find the winner of the wooden spoon.

With all of the remaining teams watching on, the Tigers batted first and struck 17 in the final, thanks to a glorious six from Azharul Islam Adnan who hit 16. In reply, Wapping lost an early wicket with Adam Haines run out for a quick single and, despite attacking prowess from Dudley Spiers, the Dolphins finished eight short on 9-1, handing the inaugural super over cup title to Royal Tigers.

Times		Pitch 1				Pitch 2				Pitch 3		
Round 1												
12 noon	Game 1	Camel Lights	L	Wapping Dolphins		Old Fallopians 2	L	Royal Tigers		Pacific	L	Super Rangers
		8-0		10-0		11-1		13-1		5-0		9-0
												
12:15	Game 2	Camel Lights	L	Old Fallopians 2		Royal Tigers	L	Pacific		Wapping Dolphins	B	Super Rangers
		16-0		15-0		10-1		11-0		8-1		7-1
												
12:30	Game 3	Camel Lights	L	Super Rangers		Old Fallopians 2	L	Pacific		Wapping Dolphins	B	Royal Tigers
		2-1		8-0		7-2		9-0		5-0		4-2
												
12:45	Game 4	Wapping Dolphins	B	Old Fallopians 2		Camel Lights	B	Pacific		Royal Tigers	B	Super Rangers
		14-0		13-0		6-1		5-0		13-0		9-1
												
1pm	Game 5	Old Fallopians 2	L	Super Rangers		Camel Lights	L	Royal Tigers		Wapping Dolphins	T	Pacific
01:15		2-0		4-0		3-1		6-0		8-1		8-2
												
01:30	Game 6	Camel Lights	T	Wapping Dolphins		Pacific	B	Super Rangers		Old Fallopians 2	L	Royal Tigers
		8-1		8-1		14-1		13-0		5-1		8-0
												
01:45	Game 7	Wapping Dolphins	L	Super Rangers		Old Fallopians 2	L	Pacific		Camel Lights	L	Royal Tigers
		13-0		16-0		10-0		11-0		10-0		11-1
												
2pm	Game 8	Camel Lights	L	Super Rangers		Wapping Dolphins	B	Old Fallopians 2		Royal Tigers	B	Pacific
		4-1		6-0		12-0		7-0		5-0		4-1
												
02:15	Game 9	Royal Tigers	B	Super Rangers		Wapping Dolphins	B	Pacific		Camel Lights	B	Old Fallopians 2
		18-2		10-0		12-0		8-1		18-0		9-1
												
02:30	Game 10	Wapping Dolphins	L	Royal Tigers		Old Fallopians 2	L	Super Rangers		Camel Lights	L	Pacific
02:45		9-0		11-0		4-0		5-0		4-1		7-1
												
end 3 Quarters												
3pm	Game 11	Pacific	B	Old Fallopians						Super Rangers	B	Camel Lights
		10-0		7-1						16-0		2-2
												
end 4 Series												
03:30	Game 12	Wapping Dolphins	B	Pacific		Royal Tigers	B	Super Rangers		Camel Lights	Plate Final	Old Fallopians 2
		12-0		6-2		18-1		14-1		9-0		7-2
												
Round 4 Final												
4pm	Game 13									Wapping Dolphins	L	Royal Tigers
										9-2		17-1
												

Enter 1 for a win, 0 for a loss

Game	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total	Rank
Camel Lights	0	1	0	0	0	½	0	0	1	0	2½	5
Old Fallopians 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Pacific	0	1	1	1	½	1	1	0	0	1	6½	3
Royal Tigers	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	2
Super Rangers	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	4
Wapping Dolphins	1	1	1	1	½	½	1	1	1	0	8	1





SUPER RANGERS
16-0



CAMEL LIGHTS
2-2

KO
STAGE
OF
SUPER
OVER
CUP



PACIFIC
10-0



OLD FALLOPIANS 2
7-1



ROYAL TIGERS
18-1

V



SUPER RANGERS
14-1

SEMI
FINALS



WAPPING DOLPHINS
12-0

V



PACIFIC
6-2



ROYAL TIGERS
17-1

V/S
FINAL



WAPPING DOLPHINS
11-1

WON BY
6 RUNS



ROYAL TIGERS

Instructions at the start of the day



Quarter and semi finalists announced



#VPCCL

TUESDAY



Sam Wildy striking a boundary for Rose & Crown



Super one-handed caught and bowled by Krisna Raha



London Field's Troy Utz having a smash

Tuesday saw Anirban crowned champions of the VPCCL league for the second time after defeating London Fields on Pitch 3. Tight bowling from the Fields had kept the Anirban batsmen in check as they struggled to get the ball away on the expanses of pitch 3. First to fall was the dangerous Shakil Ahmed, whose impressive run of half-centuries ended when he was bowled for 11. Mahran Rahman looked in good touch before slipping for 46, alongside knocks from Shumon Miah (18) and a crucial 26 from Saif Khan, as the Fields bowlers restricted Anirban to 137-3. London Fields struggled to get their reply going, slipping to 57-4. Jamil Ahmed, the League's leading wicket-taker for the second straight season, cemented his place at the top with two wickets. Sanjay Bupi (24) and Alex Day (18) briefly held out but the fount of wickets ran dry with several balls remaining as Anirban won with ease, the victors by 44 runs and reclaiming their league title from 2018.



Super Rangers' Asa Mujaba looking in great form

Super Rangers ended their season with victory over Rose & Crown On Pitch 2. Nagarjuna Mangalagiri was once again in stupendous form as he brutalised the Rangers' bowling attack, smashing a wonderfully charismatic 51, including four huge sixes. This was after Super Rangers had earlier removed Joe Fisher cheaply. Sam Wildy (34) and skipper Charlie Challinor (32) kept the runs ticking and were probably left a little frustrated with the final tally of 153-5. Opening their reply, Super Rangers threw caution to the winds, with batsmen Altaf Bhat lasting just three balls including a four and a six, as the Rangers slipped to 42-3. Asad's Mujaba's 31 pulled Rangers back into the game before he was superbly caught and bowled with a one hand yank in the air from Krisna Raha. However, despite the Crown's acrobatic heroics, Ajmal Afzal (17) steered the Rangers to victory with eight balls to spare.



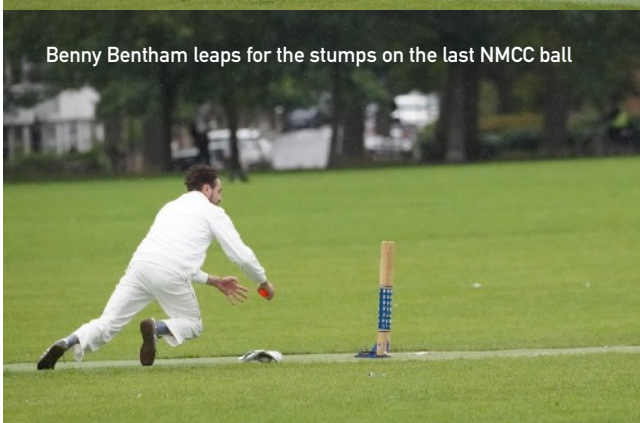
London Fields' opener Vijay Shah is caught behind by Arif Ahmed



Charlie Harmer hitting a boundary for Stoke



Dan Reynolds top scoring for NMCC

A third stumping for
Dominic Haddock

Benny Bentham leaps for the stumps on the last NMCC ball



NMCC Opener Reece Reynolds bowled for 7

On a drizzly Wednesday evening, Division Four's fifth-placed Stoke Scoundrels took on NMCC, the bottom side and still waiting for their first win. NMCC opted to bat first and struck 105-4 against the Scoundrels, despite losing three wickets cheaply, including 16-year old Reece Reynolds, son of Daniel, for 7 runs. Andrew Teague hit 29 alongside an aggressive knock of 33 from Dan Reynolds as NMCC finished their 12 overs on 103-4, with keeper Dominic Haddock proving to be lethal behind the wickets, taking three stumpings from the four wickets. Against Stoke's reply, a super spell from Kiran Tailor (3-13) and Chris Harris (3-19) tore through a batting line-up keen to gain their second win of the season. Slipping to 70-5, defeat looked inevitable for the Scoundrels. However, Charlie Harmer and Benny Bentham pulled their team back into the match with a fantastic partnership, both men taking on the bowlers and Harmer striking four boundaries. Eventually, Harmer fell for 27 when he misjudged a full length that clattered his stumps, providing Tailor his third wicket as Stoke entered the final over needing 10 to win with no wickets left. A wide off the opening ball reduced the target to nine, before the next ball saw a superb catch in the deep from Andrew Teague, his second of the innings, as Bentham misjudged for 17. The catch capped off a fantastic all-round display in a high-spirited match, allowing NMCC to close their season with a much-sought victory.



Chris Harris bowling for NMCC