

LEXDEN v WEST MERSEA 2ND At Spring Lane, Lexden

Sunday 23rd September 2007

PDQ North Essex Cricket League Division Two

Lexden won by 94 runs

Toss won by Lexden

LEXDEN

A Highfield	b Humphreys.....	128
C Martin	b Sanderson.....	0
A Shearman	c Hughes b Vince.....	25
J Jones	c M Humphreys b Sheldrick	45
M Howlett	b Sanderson.....	25
J Morgan	c Sheldrick b Sanderson.....	4
M Rudge	not out.....	14
Anderson	not out.....	4
Extras	(b 5, lb 5, w 13, nb 2).....	25
	Total (for 6 wkts, 45 overs)	271

Did Not Bat : E Vandermark, Summerfield, J Jenkins

Fall of Wickets : 1-5 (2), 2-98 (3), 3-189 (4), 4-243 (1), 5-248 (5), 6-267 (6)

Bowling : T Sanderson 9-1-46-3; M Humphreys 10-2-62-2; TJ Vince 10-1-49-1; J Tilsley 9-1-45-0
R Humphreys 3-0-31-0; SP Sheldrick 4-0-28-1

WEST MERSEA

J Tilsley	b Vandermark	24
SP Sheldrick *	run out.....	47
TJ Vince	b Jones	25
JC Woods	b Jones	37
M Hughes +	c unknown b Rudge	0
GS Pryke	c Martin b Jones.....	2
T Sanderson	not out.....	6
DC Fahie	b Rudge.....	2
R Humphreys	b Jones	2
Extras	(b 5, lb 4, w 23, nb 1).....	32
	Total (for 8 wkts, 38.4 overs)	177

Did Not Bat : M Humphreys (injured)

Fall of Wickets : 1-36 (1), 2-110 (3), 3-132 (2), 4-133 (5), 5-151 (6), 6-171 (4), 7-174 (8), 8-177 (9)

Bowling : E Vandermark 10-3-33-1; J Jenkins 7-0-42-0; Summerfield 3-0-28-0; J Jones 9.4-3-19-4;

N Rudge 9-1-47-2

The seconds ended their season in glorious sunshine at Spring Lane, Lexden. Acting captain Reg Sheldrick lost the all important toss and ten man Mersea were subjected to an afternoon in the field. An early success buoyed spirits but thereafter, Lexden made hay in the sunshine. Alan Highfield was the chief beneficiary of some slack fielding scoring a career best 128 and enjoyed sizeable stands with Shearman, Jones and Howlett as Lexden went on to record their highest ever league score 271 for 6. Tom Sanderson with 3 for 46 was the most successful of the Mersea bowlers. Mersea in reply were going along nicely at 110 for 1 in the 21st over, Tilsley (24), Sheldrick (47) and Vince (25) all scoring runs. The game swung with the introduction of Lexden skipper Jon Jones whose pace and bounce was too lively for the Mersea men. John Woods stuck to the task in hand with 37, as Jones ripped through the middle order to return 4 for 19. Ironically Graham Pryke had hidden down at number six to avoid the pace machine but Jones held himself back and duely sent Prykie back to the pavilion with two to his name.

Mersea were eventually bowled out for 177 having claimed their full quota of batting points and will now wait until Shalford's match next week at Eight Ash Green to see if they will finish bottom of the table. Martin Humphreys did not bat due to an injury to his hand sustained whilst fielding.

Mersea Man of the Match : SP Sheldrick