

C.C.N.S.W. VINTAGE OVER 58s MATCH REPORTS 2018-2019 SEASON

VINTAGE OVER 58s ROUND 1 v GEORGES RIVER AT BLAND OVAL, RIVERWOOD ON SUNDAY 28 OCTOBER, 2018: REPORT BY GARRY WINNEY

Our first game for the season. Vintage teams are a conglomeration of players from various clubs to form a team so that we can play Over 60s cricket. There are 4 teams in the competition; each team is played twice so we get six matches. Our team is made up of C.C.N.S.W, Warringah, Pennant Hills and Burwood players. There was a sprinkling of NSW Over 60s players from both teams getting some much needed game time after all the washouts.

We lost the toss and were sent in to bat .The wicket was like a road. Garry Winney and Ross Dalgleish opened up against two NSW bowlers. They kept the attack at bay but runs were hard to come by. Both were caught in the seventh over from Steve Lucas trying to force the pace. At 2-15 Wasanta Hettiarachchi ("Wasa") and Peter Rolls took over, settled in then runs started accumulating through booming cover drives from Peter and nice placement shots from Wasa. By drinks we were 2-85 with both bats shortly afterwards retired at 30*. John Mesar and Joe Scarcella showed fine touches as they worked the ones until John went lbw for 14, now 3-103. David Wright got a dubious lbw decision for 0 which brought Ajoy Roy into bat and he plundered a few boundaries before being bowled for a well compiled 21, now 5-139 with 5 overs to bat. Lucas came back into the attack and ran through the tail with a good spell taking 3 for 4 as we finished up 8-149. A defendable score if we could contain their main batsmen.

Georges River were soon in trouble, John Mesar tied up an end while Joe Scarcella's late inswing caused their top order to tumble. His three wickets were bowled (2) and lbw as he took 3-11 in his spell. They consolidated with some solid batting from captain Mick Collins 30* retired, a cameo 30* retired from Chas Viner and 29 from Remfrey as they asserted their authority. Paul Georgiadis, Wasa and Ajoy worried their bats but they were too solid for our attack to dismiss and passed us 5 down with four overs to go. A fine job by Dave Wright behind the stumps on a very variable bouncing wicket.

A commendable start to the season against one of the better teams. We made them fight all the way. A valuable hit out for players on both teams played in a sociable atmosphere.

The Team was: - Garry Winney (c) 4, Ross Dalgleish 4, Wasanta Hettiarachchi 32* ret, Peter Rolls 30* ret, John Mesar 14 , Joe Scarcella 16, David Wright (w) 0, Ajoy Roy 21, Ashok Ponnudurai 7, Christian O'Keefe 2, and Paul Georgiadis 0

The Result was:-

C.C.N.S.W.: 8-149 (W. Hettiarachchi 32* ret, P. Rolls 30* ret,) (40 overs)

Lost to

Georges River: - 5-153 (J. Scarcella 3-11) (35.4 overs)

By 5 wickets

FoW: - 1-16 (G. Winney); 2-18 (R. Dalgleish); 3-103 (J. Mesar); 4-104 (D. Wright); 5-139 (A. Roy), 6-143 (J. Scarcella); 7- 148 (A. Ponnudurai); 8 - 148 (P. Georgiadis)

The Bowling was: - J. Mesar 4-0-10-0, J. Scarcella 5-2-11-3, P. Georgiadis 9-0-34-1, P. Rolls 3-0-18-0, W. Hettiarachchi 7-0-32-1, A. Roy 3-0-12-0, G. Winney 3-0-15-0, A. Ponnudurai 2-0-14-0

The Fielding was: -

Stumping: - Nil

Catches: - Nil

Run outs: - Nil

Player Points: - 3 points to W. Hettiarachchi ; 2 points to P. Rolls ; One point to J. Scarcella

VINTAGE OVER 58s ROUND 2 v LINDFIELD AT BLAND OVAL, RIVERWOOD ON SUNDAY 2 DECEMBER 2018:

Lost by forfeit.

Despite almost none of his potential players playing in the Classics over 50s on Sunday (Report above), Garry Winney was unable to raise a side. It is hoped the game can be rearranged later in the season, maybe even midweek

VINTAGE OVER 58s ROUND 3 v LINDFIELD AT ACRON OVAL, ST IVES ON SUNDAY 20 JANUARY 2019: REPORT BY GARRY WINNEY

Our second game for the season played at Acron Oval. The wicket was a bit damp from overnight rain. John Mesar captained and decided to bat as the ball would become spongy after a while. The outfield was slow and boundaries were rare, so lots of running in humid conditions.

Runs were hard to come by but Prianta Kariawasam used the lofted route well. Partner John Jackson worked the ones until Prianta had a ball seam a long way back to bowl him for 16, a well compiled innings. 1-30 off 10. Wasantha Hettiarachchi (Wasa) drove a slower ball full toss straight back to Adams for 1, now 2-31. John Mesar and Jackson ran quick singles until Jacko was well caught for 25 (top score) runs. He did cause the wrath of the umpire beforehand and C.C.N.S.W. were penalised 5 runs for running on the wicket!!! Not seen before by our players – and nearly cost us the win. Now 3-49 at drinks.

Garry got out to one that popped for 4, Peter Rolls hit some booming shots for 14, also out caught and bowled, Ajoy Roy copped one that was ankle high, lbw 6. Then John Mesar was run out when trying to scamper through for a quick single – 18 singles in his 20 valuable runs.

Doug Wright copped a shooter as well, bowled for 2. Runs were scarce to get but our tail of Joe Scarcella and Jay Patel added 15 invaluable runs. Score 8-109 was not bad on a wicket doing a bit & a slow outfield.

Lindfield got off to a good start until Joe Scarcella took a good c & b to have them 1-21. John Mesar then got rid of the dangerous Hutton bowled, now 2-24. Wasa and Paul Georgiadis came on and runs dried up. Paul bowled Nes trying to hit him out of the ground 3-36, and then got Khodeir to a neat c & b 4-48 at drinks. Game evenly matched.

Wasa was next to strike lbw 5-62. Clark frustrated us before Jackson had him caught behind by Doug 6-76. The score crept up until Paul Georgiadis returned and had Latto caught in covers by Jay Patel, 7-87. Paul struck next over Collins caught by Doug Wright for 19 – now 8-98 with 3 overs remaining. Ajoy Roy was thrown the ball and did not let us down. Bowled their number 10, now 9-99, 2 overs remained. Singles took them to 9-104. Last over. A single, a two – getting tense – Jacko praying his 5 run penalty would not be our undoing. Thankfully Ajoy bowled their no 11 – all out 107. Whew. An exciting finish to a good friendly game.

The Team was: - Prianta Kariawasam 16, John Jackson 25, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 1, John Mesar (c) 20, Garry Winney 4, Peter Rolls 14, Ajoy Roy 6, Doug Wright (w) 2, Joe Scarcella 7*, Jay Patel 6*, and Paul Georgiadis (dnb)

The Result was: -

C.C.N.S.W. 8-109 (J. Jackson 25) (40 overs)

Defeated

Lindfield 107 all out (P. Georgiadis 4-15) (39.3 overs)

By 2 Runs

F.o.W.: - 1-29 (P. Kariawasam), 2-31 (W. Hettiarachchi); 3-49 (J. Jackson), 4-58 (G. Winney), 5-80 (P. Rolls), 6-88 (A. Roy), 7-90 (J. Mesar); 8- 94 (D. Wright)

The Bowling was: - J. Mesar 7-1-14-1, J. Scarcella 6-1-19-1, P. Georgiadis 9-1-15-4, Hettiarachchi 9-0-22-1, J. Patel 3-1-5-0, J. Jackson 3-1-13-1, A. Roy 2.3-0-10-2

The Fielding was: -

Stumping: - Nil

Catches: - 2 to D Wright (c); one each to P. Georgiadis, J. Patel and J. Scarcella

Run outs: - Nil

Player points: – 3 points to P, Georgiadis , 2 points to J. Jackson, One point to J. Mesar

VINTAGE OVER 58s ROUND 4 v GEORGES RIVER AT CAMPERDOWN OVAL, CAMPERDOWN ON SUNDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2019:

Cancelled by rain

VINTAGE OVER 58s ROUND 5 v NORTHERN STARS AT CAMPERDOWN OVAL, CAMPERDOWN ON SUNDAY 10 MARCH: REPORT BY PETER ROLLS

20 more runs would have made for a close game!

A warm, humid 30°C but with a nor-easter. Lucky to get on after much rain the day before. Thankful for the covers. The Northern Stars won the toss and elected to bowl on a green top. A bit of both ways movement and variable bounce.

1 for 22 after six overs for a good start by Bandula Wijesinghe and Prianta Kariawasam who kept the scoreboard ticking. Bandula caught at backward square pulling a short ball.

2 for 27 after 8 overs with Prianta caught at first slip from a ball that stopped on him trying to cut.

3 for 37 after 14 overs. Wasantha Hettiarachchi ("Wasa") received a good ball that took a faint edge to the keeper.

4 for 44 after 16 overs. Keith Elloy played over the top of a full ball after looking promising with a hard hit boundary the over before.

5 for 55 after 20 overs. Peter Rolls caught behind from a faint edge from a full and wide ball after getting a boundary to mid-on the over before. The Stars bowling was tight from both ends.

6 for 80 after 26 overs. John Mesar judged LBW after getting a faint edge onto his pads. John and Garry Winney had done well to consolidate.

7 for 86 after 27 overs. Garry bowled by a full toss from Lawrence Natale. Lawrence will be dining out on that for months even though Garry had despatched him to the boundary a couple of times in the previous over from other full tosses. Things looking grim to reach 100.

8 for 116 after 37 overs. Ashok Ponnudurai and Andrew Wright partnered well to get us past 100 and a respectable total. Andrew caught at slip from a one handed sharp catch.

9 for 121 after 38 overs with Paul Georgiadis bowled trying to increase the run rate.

10 for 122 with Shamal Pannila bowled by Khan, his Classics Pennant Hills team mate on the last ball of the 39th over.

A below par total it was thought but still competitive considering a variable pitch. But we would need to bowl and field well to restrict 3.05 per over.

We started strongly with a wicket in our second over by Paul Georgiadis with a very good one-handed catch low down by John Mesar at mid-on who lunged and bent his back at the last second to snare the ball. John said his back had not warmed up yet. Whose does at this age! John bowled tighter than a cyclist's spandex and without luck.

2 for 67 off 19 overs with the Stars having one retiree. Peter Rolls found the edge of their strongest batsman with a sharp catch by keeper Keith Elloy who had to move to first slip to take the ball. Been a while since Keith has been required to put on the gloves but he was "evergreen"!

3 for 71 off 22 overs with another sharp catch from Keith. This time off Wasa's offies with a thin edge from Cuthbert Berenger who was on 27 and looking in great touch for a 73 year old. A glimmer of hope swelled the team. If only we could get a couple more quick wickets.

4 for 97 off 29 overs and the Stars only just on the run rate but with wickets in hand. A good catch by Peter Rolls at deep mid-wicket off Garry Winney continued the hope. Fielding by the team was exceptionally good with Bandula diving on ground balls like a spring chicken! Ashok bowled a good line and length and unlucky not to pick up a wicket.

5 for 110 off 32 overs and 6 for 110 off 33 overs gave us even more hope with Keith Elloy taking a sharp stumping off Garry Winney and Shamal Pannila in his first over bowling Khan his Classics Pennant Hills team mate to make it "tit for tat"!

Alas the Stars reached our total without any further loss of wickets with 2.5 overs to spare. If only we had 20 more runs. A good game of cricket by all played in the right spirit judging by the after game banter and bevies!

The Team was (playing 11): - Bandula Wijesinghe 14, Prianta Kariawasam 12, Keith Elloy (w) 13, Wasantha Hettiarachchi 4, Peter Rolls (c) 4, John Mesar 11, Garry Winney 20, Andrew Wright 9, Ashok Ponnudurai 25, Paul Georgiadis 0, Shamal Pannila 0.

The Result was: -

C.C.N.S.W: 10-122 (Ashok 25*; G. Winney 20) (39 overs)

Defeated by

The Northern Stars: 6-125 (37.3 overs)

By 4 wickets

FoW: - 1-22 (B. Wijesinghe), 2-27 (P. Kariawasam), 3-37 (W. Hettiarachchi), 4-44 (K. Elloy), 5-55 (P. Rolls), 6-80 (J. Mesar), 7-86 (G. Winney), 8-116 (A. Wright), 9-121 (P. Georgiadis), 10-122 (S. Pannila).

The Bowling was: - J. Mesar 5-0-9-0; P. Georgiadis 4-0-15-1; W. Hettiarachchi 9-0-31-1; P. Rolls 6-1-21-1; G. Winney 5.3-0-17-2; A. Ponnudurai 5-0-21-0; S. Pannila 3-2-7-1.

The Fielding was: -

Stumpings: 1 to K. Elloy

Catches: 2 to K. Elloy, 1 to J. Mesar, 1 to P. Rolls.

Run outs: Nil

Player points: - Three points to G. Winney; Two points A. Ponnudurai; One point to K. Elloy.

VINTAGE OVER 58s ROUND 6 v NORTHERN STARS AT MANDALONG OVAL,
MANFALONG ON SUNDAY 7 APRIL

Game called off on the preceding Thursday with ground under water