

Following last weeks near heroics there were more changes to the top order with perhaps the oldest opening partnership for the club, as old timers Parf and Kipper hands Liam set forth. Sadly I missed this momentous moment but I don't think it lasted long as Parf was already back in the pavilion with his favourite son in law both apparently bowled. Trub was finally back, apparently he's been working on a new wonder ball and the BBQ's merely sustenance to keep him going. Well he looked in reasonable nick with the ball being regularly dispatched. Liam also progressing nicely until caught. George struck out immediately and also managed to get Trub running as well with the score rattling on. Both departed following attacking intent to result in last weeks hero's being unleashed. Bear sadly departed following a couple of big hits whilst Sweet managed the tail. A last over slog saw Sweet caught in the deep with Skipper moaning about having to bat for the last four. Bill's quick departure saw Tom belatedly trudge to the wicket, when he surely should have been timed out, went first ball to leave skipper stranded at the other end.

An imposing 218 got even harder when some tight bowling from Sweet and Josh saw only 30 from the opening 14 overs. Sadly no wickets though a certain hatrick was ruined after kipper hands dropped a sitter off Sweet. I say hatrick as having seen the next two in I have no doubt what would have followed.

The game was over to be frank with Tom and kipper hands next up. Tom was on fire and was even made to bowl 7 straight overs despite feigning injury on a couple of occasions. With Liam bowling his overs at an express rate, the team were greatly amused as Tom having just settled for a break was called back. Wickets were now tumbling and next up was Bear and Marcus who took a wicket with his new ball called The Thing.

There were also some strange fields which resulted in Marcus chasing the ball to the mid on boundary, having bowled, and the keeper likewise to the third man boundary when he looked round to see Bill, Skipper and Martin all refusing to move. The biggest laugh probably went to the Bear who having tried to jump out the way of a pull was simply poleaxed.

It is often said that waking a bear is a dangerous event and this week we saw the results. Quietly sleeping on the outfield some wag thought it would be fun to gently throw a ball in his direction. With aim not usually seen in the club a bullseye was struck and a very unhappy Bear roused.