

With last weeks memorable events fresh in the mind, the question was whether our 'history makers' could achieve such heights or come crashing down to earth. We didn't have long to wait as The G of D again batted first, partly due to tactical reasons and also so Skip and Big Tom could watch the Chelsea match.

To be honest I didn't pay too much attention to the cricket as the football was always going to win in a straight contest with watching Spindles. When we did look up things seemed to be going ok with Spindles appearing to be the more aggressive of our openers, who'd of thought!

Runs and beer were flowing, and Skip was doing his best to break all the clubs glasses. Spindles went first, don't recall any applause so it couldn't have been too many. Magic man Sweet came in next, promoted due to injuries and inebriation among our usual top order. Deciding attack was the best form of defence, having not seen a bat since September, a few lusty blows ended with a magnificent catch on the boundary rope.

Fools, the oppo clearly had forgotten who was in the shed, and quickly regretted their actions as the teams 'beef cake' Trub strutted to the middle. The cricket was now becoming more interesting than the football as six followed six and Trub's wand was soon held up for a 50 and then a 100. Dave offered good support when required and at the drinks break the score had somehow reached 200. Dave fell caught in the deep bringing forth The Bear. Even by his own standards The Bear was in a rather delicate state, following his 'all nighter', so it was anyone's guess as to what would happen. Surprisingly he was seeing the ball well and even running two's. Trub continued to smash the ball to all parts and even felled Umpire Sweet with one onto the fore arm. Such was the teams concern as it raised a bigger cheer than Chelsea scoring.

More records were now in sight, though a brief period of relative calm followed as Bear was replaced by Nev and Trub realised how close he was to his own personal best. Suddenly both were nudging and nudling and in fact the only boundaries came from Nev, in part due to the large number of fielders on the boundaries for Trub

As the score crept closer Trub finally found his range in the penultimate over smashing a couple of sixes and even kept strike.

With four required from the last over Trub's took a single first ball, to leave the honour to Nev who pulled a short one for four and to go down for ever in the history of the club!

Trub was now sitting at the non strikers end agonisingly short of a 'double'. A single was taken leaving him 7 short with two balls. The first was hit long and straight for his 18th maximum and the last a calmly taken single for 200 not out and the team a new club best of 339

Following an excellent tea the fielding was never going to reach the earlier heights. Parf and Sweet opened up and each took a wicket in their spells.

Both were unlucky to not pick up more as Spindles spurned two simple one's in his specialist slip position off Parf and Brady a further one behind the sticks. Trub showed he was human dropping a sitter of Sweet, before stating he was better with gloves on, only to be reminded that he wasn't last week when dropped one behind the sticks.

Bear and Big Tom then joined the fray with the Bear taking an immediate wicket whilst Tom did a spot of gymnastics in his follow through. Bear picked up two more before running out of steam. Guest player Howie sprayed a few down with Dave finding some zip from the pavilion end. Skipper then went to his 'last throw of the dice', with the game safe Spindles could be let loose. Not sure from where but he seems to have added a few yards of pace from last year. Sadly no wickets fell though there was some amusing fielding, by Trub and the Bear who managed to fall over one to the amusement of all bar one !

There was also a club first of 'dog tampering' when the newest addition to the Parfett family 'Milo' decided that he was clearly better at stopping the ball than the rest of them. In a movement rarely seen from the Parfett's he sprinted and gathered the ball in one movement, though to be fair he has not quite mastered the release as he decided to keep the ball to himself. The ball was eventually released after Milo was offered a snack, apparently a technique honed on Trub, though sadly the ball was deemed unsuitable due to sober and teeth marks though frankly I'd have given it to Spindles in any case

Well two weeks and two magnificent victories with virtually all batting records broken. Having viewed the club records, which need some updating I might add, it is interesting to note Trub has almost beaten 2003's record tally of 225!! Clearly the grass was a little longer that year !