

No Game Set & Match in SW19 For Yateley CC

Yateley Cricket Club played their first Surrey Trust League game on Sunday 21st June 2015 against the 2013 Champions Old Rutlishians Cricket Club from Wimbledon SW19.



The boys wore the new coloured kit (pics below) and were inserted into bat, the match turned into a thriller to keep everyone on the edge of their seats.

The average age of the team was only 19 so this was a very young but talented Yateley team who will have learnt lots from the experience.

Yateley started batted with a nice tempo against mainly spin bowling and at 20 Overs James Muir and Oliver Soames had put on 113 with James reaching his 50 off 56 Balls.

James fell not too long after drinks for a good 65 so Skipper Ryan Bone arrived at the crease and Yateley looked set for a big score, the scoreboard ticked over and Yateley lost a couple of wickets as we tried to accelerate



Oli kept the runs going and was rewarded in the last over with a century coming off 101 balls. A great knock from Oli and the first Yateley player in the STL to score a century



Yateley finished on 229 for 4 off our 40 overs.

We all went off in the impressive facilities at Old Ruts CC and enjoyed the Tea.



However we regrouped and headed on to bowl knowing wickets were the order of the day with the orange ball.

Jacques Pienaar and Kerr Franklin started off well and we soon had Old Rut's thinking of a collapse as 2 wickets a piece had the home side in trouble, Sam Sugars then joined the wicket taking spree by clean bowling their 5th batsmen, this left Old Ruts at 61 for 5 off 12 overs.

Cometh the hour!! Old Ruts had one of their best batsmen lurking at no 7 and the impressive R. Lever took the game by the scruff of the neck, his knock of 88 that included 11 x 4's and 3 x 6's gave Old Ruts the lift they needed. wickets were coming at the other end and finally when Lever was dismissed by Kerr at 190 for 8 with 8 overs left, the ninth wicket soon followed leaving the last pair still needed 34 to win.

Try as Yateley might that elusive last wicket never came and the final pair scrambled over the line with 2 balls to go in a thrilling finish.

A great thrilling game and many new friends and admirers in SW19. Well done to all that played this was a fantastic effort with plenty more to come.



Kerr Franklin in full flow with 4 – 41



Sam Sugars bowling well with 1- 33



Rhodes Franklin trying to get those wickets we needed.



YCC limbering up to do battle in the field.