

SUBSTANDARD PATTAYA CRICKET CLUB LOSE TO SIAM CC

A lacklustre performance in all departments cost Pattaya Cricket Club a victory over Siam CC in the latest round of league fixtures.

After winning the toss at the stunning Thai Polo Ground and asking the opposition to bat first PCC began well with Salman and Thomas bowling a disciplined line and length that kept the SCC batsmen in check and the score at 33/1 after 7 overs.

Dan Nicholson held two excellent catches but wickets were hard to come by, particularly when a couple of routine chances were dropped and the Siam CC batsmen began to take advantage of their fortune. Brett Taylor (46) and David Curry (38no) increased the tempo, assisted by some inept outfielding efforts, as Siam CC set a challenging 166/5 from the allotted 25 overs. Salman was again the pick of the bowlers with 21/1 from his 5 overs.

A solid start was needed but both openers Venky (6) and Dan (9) fell cheaply. Colin Clark (23) looked in excellent touch before he edged to the keeper followed by John Speirs (8) and Simon Philbrook (13). To add insult to injury, literally, Paul Hack (14no) retired hurt with a tweaked fetlock and PCC were effectively 86/6 with 10 overs remaining. Salman (15) kept up the run chase but wickets kept falling all too regularly. Bernard Lamprecht (12) and David Scott (22) very nearly secured an unlikely victory with some excellent hitting late on but the experienced Dave Curry bowled the final over expertly to ensure Siam CC remained in control to win by 5 runs.

PCC travel to Bangkok next weekend to play in the Southerners sixes tournament.

Anyone wishing to play, support or get involved are encouraged to contact the club via the website www.pattayacricketclub.com or visit the club Facebook page.

PCC are always grateful to Pattaya Sports Club for its continued support.