

## PATTAYA CRICKET CLUB DEFEAT ENGLISH TOURING XI

Pattaya Cricket Club hosted the English touring team Not The MCC at the beautiful Thai Polo Ground on Sunday.

In a format that included two innings per side, with 20 overs making up the first innings followed by a 15 over innings, NTMCC won the toss and elected to bat first. Laino (17) and Rymarsh (27) got the innings off to brisk start before Manik dismissed both batsmen in quick succession. Whately continued the innings momentum with a run a ball 29 but David Scott, PCC's 70 year old left arm spinner, and Arjun, PCC's 12 year old leg spinner, put the brakes on and NTMCC finished on 118 for 5. PCC opened with the eager Andy Emery and the equally eager Peter Gangur. Both took advantage of this opportunity as Andy compiled a textbook 52no in front of his adoring mother and Peter caressed and nattered a composed 31 watched intently by his Aussie mate Alan. Manik's 20 ensured PCC eclipsed the opposition's first innings score by 8 runs as PCC closed on 126 for 3.

With the second innings under way and suitably refreshed by the Shenanigans barbeque and bar NTMCC set about posting a competitive total. However, Paul Hack, the PCC captain, had other ideas as he unleashed the first team opening bowlers. Peter Bass (2/8) and Andy Emery (2/10) together with Dave Scott, Arjun and Manik, kept the batsmen subdued and NTMCC limped along to 80/4. To rub salt into a very open wound Hackie (26no) opened with himself and wonderfully supported by the rejuvenated Chris Waddington (33no) the pair soon knocked off the required 72 runs to win with 6 overs to spare.

After match activities began with the club chairman Simon Philbrook conducting the slammer session followed by various drinking games that always resulted in people falling over with a huge grin on their face.

PCC welcome anyone wishing to join the club to contact them via the club website [www.pattayacricketclub.com](http://www.pattayacricketclub.com) or the club Facebook page. PCC's next home league fixture is against the British Club on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March.