

## PCC Host British Club Bangkok in One-Sided Friendly

Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March saw the Pattaya Cricket Club take on the British Club Bangkok in a friendly fixture at the beautiful Thai Polo Club. The long standing rivalry between the two sides is always played in good faith and this match was no different.

Debutant captain Andy Emery won the toss and decided to bat and in lieu of many of Pattaya's first team being rested, new openers Alex McInnes **(17)** and Sam Nethery **(15)** made a solid if not circumspect start before both fell to silly shots.

The middle order fared no better with Jagadesh KB, **(1)** the captain **(17)** and Salman Kahn **(13)** also giving their wickets away causing some unease and nail bitten fingers. Enter the evergreen 'Disco' Dave Scott **(30 not out)**. Calling upon all of his 50+ years at the crease, the man with the shiny red shoes cut, pulled and drove his way to compulsory retirement.

At the complete-other end of the scale 16-year-old Hamza Khan **(30 not out)** quietly gathered runs at the other end with help from Khalid **(15)** before he was also forced to retire after a brilliant innings.

The lower order revival pushed the total through to highly competitive **176/6** off the 30 allotted overs. Two bowlers from BCC stood out head and shoulders above the rest with Dhilip **(2 for 20 off 6 overs)** and Rahul **(2 for 36 off 6 overs)**

Buoyed by their batting effort PCC's opening bowler Sam Nethery struck in the 6<sup>th</sup> over with a lovely ball to Speddo **(13)** that held its line to hit the top of middle.

Wickets then fell at regular intervals with only Haroon making a boundary laden **38 not out off 28 balls**. Spinners Khalid **(2 for 21 from 4 overs)**, David Scott **(1 for 2 from 2)** and Usman Janjua **(2 for 19 from 2)** did the bulk of the damage to see a comfortable 37 run win for the Pattaya Cricket Club.

A league fixture is next on the cards on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March for PCC as they look to make amends for their devastating loss to the Strikers last week.

The club would like to thank the support of the Pattaya Sports Club and encourage anyone wishing play or support to visit the club website at [www.pattayacricketclub.com](http://www.pattayacricketclub.com) or the club Facebook page.