



PCC Match Report – Indoor cricket league – Round 2

Thursday 19th September saw the 2nd round of the Pattaya Indoor Cricket league (PICL). It would appear that the Asian Stars are no longer interested in the PICL, so PCC played RST again but in a 10 man 15 over format. It is hoped that 2 other teams will join the PICL in the near future

This very close match should have seen the appearance of another new member to PCC – Alex McInnes, but he didn't turn up, along with Jainish Parikh. This left us 3 short, so yours truly became the scorer, umpire and Press correspondent. In terms of the game, Matt Harkness, Colin Clark and Luke Stokes batted twice. The bowling was shared by everyone except Colin who kept wicket.

Simon Philbrook was still unable to play, so captaincy was delegated to Wez Masterton. Wez decided to bat first as we were waiting for Andy Emery who had been delayed by a soccer match. PCC opened with Matt Harkness and Luke Stokes who added 40 in the first 3 overs, but Luke was run out, the first of many, and Matt was out too. This scenario continued throughout the game and proved to be PCC's undoing. That being said, Chris Lindop was bowling pretty well and quite pacey. Bernie Lamprecht and John Harvey bashed a partnership of 34 with Bernie luckily getting a 6 off Guthrie Miller's arm at Long Off, but they lost 3 wickets. John was run out by a direct hit, and later bowled by John Mayall whose style is similar to Slow Poison and Bernie was caught behind of John Mayall. Colin Clark and Wez Masterton scored 35, with Wez also getting a 6, but both were out to Matt Mann – one caught and one bowled. Andy Emery and Matt Harkness kept up the pace, because Matt got a 6, but a third run out took the edge off their score of 39. The final pair of Luke Stokes and Colin Clarke scored 30 but lost 2 wickets to John Mayall and 1 to Matt Mann via a stumping, a catch and a bowled. PCC scored 183 but 55 penalty points reduced the score to 127 for 11.

RST replied via Peter Reea and Chris Sizer. Peter was bowled first ball by Bernie, but they recovered to score 30. Scores almost level. Next was Guthrie Miller and Nick Hitchmough who added 32 but Guthrie was run out by a direct hit from Wez. After 6 overs RST was 56 for 3, (PCC was 49 for 5). Lewis Maddran and John Mayall were kept under raps by tidy bowling from Bernie and Andy Emery but managed to score 24 for the loss on 1 wicket to Andy. Chris Lindorp and Matt Mann were RST's best pair, taking 36 for no wicket with some subtle stroke play, just little glides and nudges. After 12 overs RST were 113 for 3, whilst PCC was 108 for 8. With RST 5 runs ahead, their final pair, Ryan Driver and Charlie Row took the crease. 18 runs and a wicket from the 13th and 14th overs left RST one behind. In the final over a 2, and a wide, an extra ball, a wicket and 3 off the last ball enabled RST to scrape a win by one run. RST 128 for 5.

PCC had by far the better scoring rate but wickets were given away too readily by risky running between the wickets and not defending their wicket against the good ball. Admittedly, their faster bowlers were getting some out swing but so did Wez, Andy and Matt. It allowed Colin to take some sharp catches low down. PCC effectively gave away 30 runs and lost the game.

Best bowling from PCC was Andy E with 3 overs, 25 for 2. John Mayall was the pick of the RST bowlers with 23 for 4 and Matt Mann was 29 for 3. Best batting for PCC was Matt with 6 overs for 43 with 2 outs. Best for RST was Matt Mann with 3 overs 20 for zero outs.

Anyway A really close match and let's hope we can triumph in the other matches.

PCC Statistics

Bowling

Name	Overs	Runs	Wkts
Bernard	3	24	1
Matt	3	30	1
Luke	2	28	0
John	2	22	1
Wesley	2	28	0
Andy E	3	25	2

Batting

Name	Overs	Runs	Outs
Bernard	3	19	1
Matt	6	43	2
Andy E	3	16	0
John	3	14	2
Wesley	3	17	1
Colin	6	33	2
Luke	6	31	3