



PATTAYA CRICKET CLUB DOMINATE SIAM CC

Pattaya Cricket Club continued their impressive start to the season with a dominant display against Siam CC over the weekend at Horseshoe Point.

Saturday saw Siam CC win the toss and elect to bat in a 35 over game but the PCC bowlers immediately intimidated them with fast and hostile opening spells from Jack and Usman. Siam CC opener Brett Taylor realized as soon as the second ball of the day crashed into his helmet and lifted him off his feet how quick and accurate the opening bowlers of PCC were. Nadeem (5) soon departed caught at short leg and Brett (13) followed fending a rising delivery off the glove to the keeper. A double bowling change saw wickets fall at alarming regularity as SCC were reduced to 51 for 7. Jock Tuluk's experience saw him steady the innings before running out of partners to finish with a well constructed 40 and SCC were all out for 116. Sodhi was the pick of the bowlers for the second week running with figures of 1/14 from 7 overs and Andy Emery and Debdas each collected 3 wickets a piece.

The total was never going to be enough despite PCC reversing the batting order and Yasir being out first ball. Earl Brown made the most of his promotion in the order to craft a patient 20 from 49 balls. It took him 24 balls to open his account, 2 of which were defended off his sun burnt head, the result of which only improved his northern ginger appearance. Sunny increased the tempo with a rapid 55 not out which included the biggest six ever seen at the ground and PCC eventually won by 6 wickets in a little more than 21 overs.

Sunday's T20 game was the turn of the PCC batsmen to show off their skills and no SCC bowler was spared in the onslaught. Bindu (49), Jack (50 ret.) and Usman (51 ret.) all scored at alarming rates and ably supported by the batsmen at the other end PCC posted a total of 245 for 5.

This time PCC reversed the bowling order and Earl Brown, sporting two eggs on his head, once again jumped at the opportunity by clean bowling Phil Bond first ball of the innings. It went somewhat downhill from there and he now responds to the description of team 'all rounder', but all players know that is made in reference to his shape rather than ability. Don't tell EB. Carl Taylor (27) and Mike Hoolihan (39 no) ensured a spirited attempt to chase an improbable victory target but SCC lost by a mere 121 runs.

The result capped an end to another highly successful weekend of cricket after which the PCC captain Simon Philbrook commented "it is wonderful just having to turn up and set the field and then watch as the boys annihilate the opposition".

PCC Thoroughbreds (over 45's) play the British Club of Bangkok this Sunday at Horseshoe Point starting at 11am and all are welcome for what promises to be a very social friendly game of cricket.

For more details regarding PCC please see our website at www.pattayacricketclub.com