

Rocklands v Diss 'A' in div 5 of the alliance league on Sat 21st May,

Rocklands won by 30 runs.

With the continuation of the dry weather and warm temperatures, and travelling with only ten men, Diss was hoping to win the toss and bat ! But sods law decreed that they lost the toss and had to field.

Although a man short Diss was showing great spirit in the field, this was buoyed by the early wkt of the dangerous Mann (6) when Alex Blakely had him caught at slip by Craig Barker. He then found the edge of Noonan's (8) bat with Colin Atkinson taking the catch down the leg side. This brought 3 more quick wkt's with Blakely and Atkinson accounting for Aamer (4), Andy Tebble having Hawkins (0) caught and bowled, and Pearce (0) caught Gareth Killian bowled Willy Ward. While this was all going on Will DeFoe was busy dispatching the loose balls to the boundary and with Les Able (18 no) amassed a 107 partnership, So from a promising 58 for 5, they had reached 165 for 5 when Kieran Pask induced a skied pull shot that seemed to be in the air for ever until Gareth Killian calmly held on to end DeFoe's inns for a match winning 103. Some hard hitting form Carr (30) pushed the score along before the returning Blakely removed him and Smith (4) to catches from Tebble and Abbott to leave a total of 201 for 8.

The Diss inns started with a six from the bat of Killian (15) but he was to perish early along with Barker (6) to bring young Pask and Blakely together, and while they were at the wkt Diss were in with a shout. So from 29 for 2 they pushed the score up to 127 when Pask was bowled for a very good knock of 65, wkts started to fall at regular intervals with Ward (4), Philpot (6) and Abbott (0) then Blakely fell for 45 and Diss were unable to hold on for the draw with Dan Betts 7 not out after losing Tebble (6) and last man Atkinson (0) to finish on 171 all out!