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Norfolk Cricket Alliance Premier League

North Runcton CC V Diss CC

After a loss and one abandonment, Diss travelled to North Runcton looking to pick up their first league win of the season. The three seamers of Germon, Gooderham, and Dawson justified Simon Cooper's decision to bowl first by keeping the run rate down as well as picking up three early wickets. The highlight being a majestic swan dive catch by Robert Tooke at first slip off the bowling of Dawson. Runcton took back the initiative during the middle overs with a couple of strong partnerships, and with wickets in hand coming into the last 10 overs the long handle came out as they bludgeoned their way over the 200 mark, in particular taking a liking to one horrific over by Germon going for 20, to finish on 214 for 5.

In reply Diss started well, with the new opening partnership of Wilby and Spinks seeing the score past 80 without loss. Unfortunately an eight over spell was to swing the match right back into Runcton's favour, as Diss lost 4 wickets, including key man Rob Tooke for 0. Skipper, Simon Cooper, joined Will Dawson at the crease and together took the fight back to the North Runcton bowlers, but with wickets continuing to fall 215 started to seem a distant target, which left Gooderham and Weal to easily see off the last 2 overs and secure a losing draw.

North Runcton 214 for 5 (W. Dawson 3-20, Gooderham 1-10) drew with Diss 201 for 8 (W. Dawson 48, B. Spinks 44, J. Wilby 41)

North Runcton 14 pts

Diss 10 pts