

DEVON DUMPLINGS CRICKET CLUB

PLAYING REPORT 2018

FIXTURES 22 : WON 6 : DRAWN 3 : LOST 9 : CANCELLED 3 : ABANDONED 1

I am pleased to present my first report as Keeper of the Records.

We had a much busier season with 22 fixtures compared to 13 in 2017. It was a mixed season weather-wise with rain early but developing into the finest summer for quite some time. Consequently, rain caused 1 match to be abandoned and 2 matches to be cancelled, as well as 1 being cancelled because the Dumplings were unable to raise a team.

The style of matches was split between 10 time/declaration games and 9 limited overs ones. The 6 wins being shared equally between the two types of matches.

Our fifth Oxford Tour was a great success, particularly, because, although the heatwave of midsummer had passed, the weather behaved itself and, consequently, our 3 matches were completed with 2 victories and 1 draw being recorded. As always, it additionally provided an excellent opportunity to refresh friendships with distant Dumplings who find it difficult to play in Devon.

There was an increase in centuries being scored this year for the Dumplings with 5 recorded but only 1 being scored by our opponents. Additionally, 18 half centuries were scored by Dumplings. The Dumplings centuries were scored by Joel Seward, Oliver West, James Grady, Andrew Donovan and James Horler. Our top run scorer was Charlie Neilson with 261.

No five wicket hauls were achieved this year for the Dumplings but there were 5 examples of 4-fors. These were taken by Bernie Wilson (twice), Charlie Neilson, Dan Fogerty and Paul Berman. The top wicket taker was Bernie Wilson with 17, over twice as many as any other bowler but he did bowl twice as many overs than anybody else.

108 players played for the Dumplings this year, an increase of nearly 100 % over last year. Of these 71 only played in one game but 12 played in 5 or more games. Of the 108 players, 10, who all played in only 1 game, "did not bat". We had 73 bowlers only 10 of whom bowled 20 or more overs. 26 took no wickets whilst 53 bowled in only one match.

Thank you to our Umpires, Match Managers, other Officers and, particularly, to our Scorers without whose hard work I would have no stats to report.

Peter Langford, Keeper of the Records.

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MATCH RESULTS 2018

April 29th at Shobrooke Park: DD v Devon Seniors. CANCELLED because of a wet ground after rain.

May 2nd at Exeter School: DD 205-7 (35 overs. Robin Fern 90, Graham White 58, Oliver West 29. Ben Hayes 5-28) BEAT Exeter School 203-4 (35 overs. Ben Abrahams 61. Dom Tuohey 2-43) by 2 runs

Despite heavy overnight rain, the scheduled 35 over match started on time. The School fielded a strong team featuring numerous young Dumplings including their captain Jamie Khan. Dumplings skipper Graham White called incorrectly at the toss and we were asked to bat first on a damp pitch. Opening bats, debutants Oliver West and Robin Fern, took their partnership to 54 before Sam Read trapped West lbw for 29. The next two wickets fell for the addition of only 22 runs. There then followed a fourth wicket partnership of 121 between Robin Fern and Graham White. The Dumplings posted a very competitive 205-7 in their 35 overs.

Ben Abrahams and Sam Read had a solid start for the School putting on 53 for the first wicket before Read was dismissed for 27. Abrahams was then joined by Tom Lammonby and they put on 73 before Lammonby was dismissed for a quickfire 40. Abrahams was next out for a solid 61 but by now the School were “behind the clock” and something special would be required. That came from Jamie Khan who smashed 44 in just 29 balls including 4 sixes. The last over to be bowled by Ben Slaviero arrived with 7 runs needed to win. An excellent over of “death” bowling saw just 4 runs conceded and the Dumplings celebrated a fine win by a mere 2 runs.

May 7th at Shebbear College: DD 92 ao (27.2 overs. Dan Fogerty 28. Ed Jones 3-3) LOST to Shebbear College 93-2 (24.1 overs. Z Jaftha 46) by 8 wickets.

No report has been submitted.

June 15th at Shobrooke Park: DD 197 ao (35 overs. J Seward 129. P. Lang 6-39) LOST to Somerset Stragglers 251-8 (40 overs. Dan Rudge 65, Tom Smith 64, James Haggett 31*. Joel Seward 3-46) by 54 runs.

No report has been submitted.

June 20th at West Buckland School: CANCELLED. It was agreed that the Dumplings would bat but the rain and drizzle caused an early lunch. The game was finally abandoned at 1.30pm without a ball being bowled.

July 2nd at Exeter: DD 267 ao (53 overs. Tendai Maruma 66, Ben Abrahams 63no. Josh Holmes 3-35) BEAT Wye Rustics 128 ao (34.5 overs. Ryan Waldock 30. Bernie Wilson 4-26) by 139 runs.

No report has been submitted.

July 4th at Sidmouth: DD 183-4 (29 overs. Ben Abrahams 63, Kenton Vos 53. Nikkil Chavda 3-23) LOST to The Haberdashers’ Aske’s Boys’ School 185-4 (27.4 overs. Vinosh Jegatheesan 88*. Bernie Wilson 2-30) by 6 wickets.

The match started on time at 11.00am but there was a rain delay at 11.30am. On resumption at 1 29pm the match was reduced to 29 overs a side.

The Dumplings batted first and had exactly 100 on the board before losing their first wicket when Kenton Vos was caught on the boundary for 53 off 42 balls. His surviving partner, Ben Abrahams, continued in majestic form with his 50 coming off 53 balls but he was eventually out for 63. Alex Haywood and Aviwe Mgiijima, the Sidmouth overseas player, took the innings on before closure at 183-4 with both not out.

The School was quickly into its stride with openers Freddie Wright and Vinosh Jegatheesan taking the score to 61 before the former was out for 36 when Tallan Burns took a catch in the covers off Bernie

Wilson's bowling. They soon lost their captain cheaply and the run-rate was slowing with Vos bowling spin and unlucky not to take a wicket during his 6 over spell. However, Jegatheesan was batting well and with support particularly from Harry Cobb, who hit 20 off the penultimate over, saw the school home with 8 balls to spare. Jegatheesan finished not out on 88 very well played runs and deserved to have scored a century.

July 10th at Seaton: DD 195ao (40.4 overs. Joel Seward 51, Billy Rudolph 37, Brian Cann 30. Rhys Jones 4-67) LOST to Free Foresters 196-5 (49.5 overs. Neil Baker 80*, George Sandbach 39, Nick Baldwin 31*. Billy Rudolph 2-21) by 5 wickets.

Captain for the day, Graham White, won the toss and opted to bat. Openers Brian Cann and Joel Seward put on 80 for the first wicket before Cann was caught behind for 30. Wickets fell regularly through the rest of the innings, the highest of the subsequent partnerships being 60 between 15-year-old Adam Small and Billy Rudolph, and the innings closed at 195. Pick of the bowlers was 14-year-old leg spinner Rhys Jones with 4-67. Wicketkeeper Neil Baker finished with three catches and a stumping.

Free Foresters lost wickets at regular intervals before arriving at 97-5. At this point Neil Baker was joined by Nick Baldwin and they saw the FF home with an unbeaten partnership of 99. Seven bowlers were used, of whom the most successful was Billy Rudolph with 2-21.

July 18th at Clyst St George: DD 185-7 (39.2 overs. Stephen Bourke 40 retired not out, Bertie Creer 36*, David Mason 31. Colin Hutchesson 2-20, Richard Lower 2-39) BEAT South Australia Over 70's (40 overs. Jeff Cole 40 retired not out, Peter Franklin 40 retired not out, Ian Pritchard 38*. Bernie Wilson 2-12) by 3 wickets.

The match was one of 40 overs per side with batsmen retiring not out on reaching 40. The Dumplings were Match Managed for the first time by Dom Tuohey. As captain he won the toss and invited the opposition to bat. The Dumplings had a good start when the visitors lost their first wicket after just three balls. However, they reached 65-5, which in its way was a recovery, before their captain Jeff Cole and Peter Franklin, with help from the tail, saw them finish on 181-7. In the 28th over with the score on 108, the captain brought on Dumpling debutant Rob Larkman who took a wicket with his first ball.

The Dumplings had a bad start to their innings when wicketkeeper Nick Dubuisson was out second ball and were soon 23-2 and then 59-3. When Steve Bourke retired on 41 with the score at 136 still 50 were needed. Freddie Creer then joined his brother but was stumped first ball. However, Dom Tuohey and Bertie Creer saw home the Dumplings with the latter hitting a 6 to win the match.

July 23rd July at Clyst St George: DD 165ao (39.2 overs. Charlie Neilson 56, Dan Fogerty 21. Archie Walker 4-37) LOST to Arden Taverners 172ao (34.3 overs. Dellan Waddington 63, Michael Godwin 53. Charlie Neilson 4-20, Tom Fogerty 3-37) by 7 runs.

After winning the toss and deciding to bat, Arden lost their first wicket with only 1 run on the board before Michael Godwin and Dellan Waddington had a partnership of 110. However, wickets fell at regular intervals thereafter and the innings ended at 172 with Charlie Neilson wrapping up the tail. The Dumplings fielding was outstanding throughout with especially, Dan Fogerty taking 3 catches in the deep.

After a steady start by James Horler and Ben Abrahams, the Dumplings lost its middle order and were 64-5 before Charlie Neilson together with Dan and Tom Fogerty steadied the ship but the innings ended 8 runs short of victory.

July 25th at Heathcoat: DD 179ao (39.1 overs. Joel Murphy 44, Andrew Jackson 31, Kanda Kumar 29, Gary Abraham 27) LOST to Sydney Classics 197-2 (40 overs. Paul Adams 1-41, Paul Berman 1-48) by 18 runs.

This was a 40 over per side game with batsmen retiring when reaching 30 runs. A shortage of Dumplings players due to a crowded fixture list, resulted in four of the tourists becoming honorary Dumplings. The visitors won the toss and chose to bat. Our newest recruit, Paul Adams, soon removed one of the openers (the tour manager!) but runs soon started to flow. Three successive batsmen retired after passing 30 and the second wicket did not fall until Paul Berman bowled Chas Viner in the 32nd over. The innings eventually ended at 197-2. Tidy spells from Mark Floyer, Joel Murphy and Kanda Kumar had given the Dumplings an eminently reachable target.

Dumplings opened the innings with two guests, Andrew Jackson and Kim Taylor, who put on 41 runs at a good rate but were both out by the end of the 12th over. Gary Abraham and Kanda Kumar added 63 at 5 an over but were then out almost together. Joel Murphy and Richard Cragg added 30 before wickets fell regularly before the innings arrived at 164-9. Joel, having retired earlier, then returned to company Paul Berman. They managed to add 15 hectic runs but, needing 18 from the last over, Joel was run out not quite making his ground for another scrambled two.

July 27th at Plymouth College: DD v Old Plymouthians CC. Match CANCELLED. Regrettably, the Dumplings were unable to raise a side.

August 2nd at Instow: DD 204ao (50.4 overs. Charlie Neilson 77, Dan Fogerty 52. Ian Chapman 1-14) DREW with UCS Old Boys CC 156-7 (Tom Pickhaver 32*. Bernie Wilson 2-23).

The Dumplings decided to bat on winning the toss on what at first was a dull day and when the score was 37-3 and later 90-5, the decision looked questionable. Match captain, Charlie Neilson, played the innings of the day scoring 77 off 88 balls and, with Dan Fogerty, had the main partnership putting on 79 together. Dan was out sacrificing himself to a run out when batting with Bernie Wilson! Stories will be told for some years!

In the 50 minutes before tea, UCSOB's lost 3 wickets for 44 runs, the last of these being opener Imtiaz Hussain who made 27 off 35 balls. Despite using 8 bowlers including a very impressive debut performance by 15-year-old Charlie Presswell bowling leg-spin and variants to finish with figures of 1 for 22 runs off 9 overs with 2 maidens, the last 3 wickets could not be taken to leave the match drawn.

August 6th at Exeter: DD 284-6 (50.3 overs. Oliver West 136, James Grady 50, Brian Bosomworth 45. D Wethey 2-71) DREW with The Strollers 240-9 (41 overs. T Tennant 93, R Stephen 44. Alec Holifield 2-11, Maddie Holifield 2-39).

No report has been submitted.

August 7th to 9th inclusive – The Fifth Dumplings Tour to Oxford

August 7th at the Queen's College Ground, Oxford: DD 268-4 (50 overs. Charlie Neilson 95*, James Grady 41, Christian Cabburn 38, Drikus Janse Van Vuuren 29*. Ben Monk 2-50) BEAT The Wanderers CC 221-9 (50 overs. Matthew Nichols 78, Ben Monk 40. Bernie Wilson 4-37) by 47 runs.

The Dumplings won the toss and elected to bat. The innings was based on four half-century partnerships. 53 for the first (Ben Abrahams and Christian Cabburn), 50 for the second (Cabburn and James Grady), 90 for the fourth (Grady and Charlie Neilson) and an unbeaten 56 (Neilson and Drikus J Van Vuuren). The 50 over innings closed at 268-4.

For the Wanderers, runs were hard to come by with only 12 off the bat in the first ten overs. They slumped to 28-3 before a partial recovery to 60-4 due to a partnership by their two Dumplings (James Ewen and

Matthew Nichols). Always behind the run rate, the innings finished with the Wanderers still 48 runs from victory.

August 8th at the Queen's College Ground, Oxford: DD 210-4 (40.2 overs. James Grady 105*, Ben Abrahams 36, Charlie Neilson 33. N Trevedi 2-38) BEAT The Frogs 207-9dec (53.1 overs. Andrew Lawton 73, Richard Lawrence 36. Matthew Nichols 2-10, Dominic Tuohey 2-42) by 6 wickets.

The Dumplings lost the toss, found themselves bowling, and the score had reached 39 before the first wicket arrived courtesy of a run out by James Dann. Wickets fell on a regular basis with 68 for the seventh being the highest partnership. The innings ended with another run out, this time by Dan Fogerty, with other wickets spread among five bowlers.

Dumplings tried a pinch-hitting Dan Fogerty as an opener but he was out for 6 with 7 on the board. This brought in James Grady for a beautifully constructed unbeaten century to manage the run chase at over 5 an over. He and opener Ben Abrahams fell just short of a century stand when Ben was out at 103. James, then with Charlie Neilson's support, brought the score to near parity before James's 18th four won the match by 6 wickets.

August 9th at the Queen's College Ground, Oxford: DD 256-8dec (48.4 overs. Matthew Nichols 61, Drikus Janse Van Vuuren 38, Christian Cabburn 32*, Ben Abrahams 31) DREW with South Oxfordshire Amateurs 251-6 (46 overs. Hajii Saddiqi 80, Alex Ling 35, Frankie Crouch 35*. Matthew Nichols 2-30) by 5 wickets.

The Dumplings, electing to bat after winning the toss, had an innings starting with three half-century partnerships with a fourth for the seventh wicket. The innings ended with a "sporting" declaration by skipper Graham White after the only first ball dismissal of a Dumpling on tour!

For the SOA reply, Dumplings used a mere 7 bowlers compared with 9 for each of the first two matches. The innings of the day was by Hajii Saddiqi with 80 off 69 balls putting SOA in with a good chance of a victory. Frankie Crouch and Jonathan Meardon pressed for the win with an unbeaten 55 at more than a run a ball, but the match ended in a draw which was perhaps the best result for an excellent, competitive game of cricket.

So, another great "Tour" played in wonderful spirit and weather which was a tremendous improvement on last year; all three matches were completed with 2 wins and one Draw.

Our players:-

Ben Abrahams, Christian Cabburn, James Grady, Charlie Neilson, Freddie Creer, Drikus Janse Van Vuuren, Bernie Wilson, Dan Fogerty, Bertie Creer, Craig Penberthy, Paul Berman, Matthew Nichols, James Dann, Jack Stirling, Dominic Tuohey and Graham White.

Our Officials:-

Wendy Hardy, Derek Hardy, David Salter, Peter Jolliffe, Paul Berman and Peter Langford.

Our Supporters:-

Andrew Stirling, Iain Creer, Judy Jolliffe, April Marjoram, Brian and Jean Smith together with David (Brian's brother-in-law).

Very many thanks go to Dr Peter Jolliffe, Tour Organiser and Match Manager.

August 15th at Instow: DD 247-8 (40 overs. Andrew Donovan 113, Gareth Tidball 54, Freddie Creer 29*. Archie Popham 3-33) LOST to North Devon CC 249-4 (38.1 overs. Adrian Isherwood 152, Jay Rothery 32. Ollie Manning 2-58) by 6 wickets.

No report has been submitted.

August 24th at Exeter: DD 193-3dec (38.5 overs. Dominic Tuohey 51, Matt Crampton 47, James Ewen 34*. Greg Pearson 2-39). South Oxfordshire Amateurs 67-1 (11 overs. Dan Fogerty 1-26). Match ABANDONED because of rain.

There were three interruptions for rain in the Dumplings innings and the match was finally abandoned at 5.46pm.

No report has been submitted.

August 28th at Exeter: DD 192ao (43.4 overs. Gary Sizmur 51*, Dan Fogerty 47. Joe O’Gorman 8-71) LOST to The Frogs 231-8dec (57 overs. C Carson 59. Dan Fogerty 4-21) by 39 runs.

Two strong, young sides met as Same Ewen lost the toss in his first match as Match Manager with The Frogs electing to bat. Consistent batting through the innings meant that The Frogs were able to declare after 57 overs with the score on 231-8 despite some testing bowling from the Dumplings attack led by Dan Fogerty who finished with 4 wickets.

The reply by the Dumplings started well with James Ewen and Jack Lewis negating the new ball. However, the introduction of Joe O’Gorman’s leg spin proved the downfall of the Dumplings with an extraordinary spell spanning 2 balls short of 16 overs and taking 8 wickets. The main resistance came from Gary Sizmar and Dan Fogerty who put on 73 for the 8th wicket but it wasn’t enough as the Dumplings finished 40 short of victory.

August 29th at Sidmouth: DD 199-8 (40 overs. Jasper Presswell 50*, Oliver Chatterjee 39. Mitch Millington 3-19) LOST to Old Broxfordians 261-7 (40 overs. Steve Cole 58, Bryon Knowles 43. Charlie Presswell 3-52) by 62 runs.

No report has been submitted.

August 30th at Shobrooke Park: DD 272-6dec (57 overs. James Horler 125* Eddie Jones 70. Milly Squire 2-40, Becca Silk 2-60) BEAT Devon Women 88ao (34.2 overs. E Martin 21. Paul Berman 4-8, **Eddie Jones 3-12) by 184 runs.

No report has been submitted.

AVERAGES AND STATISTICS 2018

BATTING

(Minimum – 100 Runs in Minimum 2 innings)

	Matches	Innings	Not Out	Runs	Highest	Average
Charlie Neilson	5	5	1	261	95*	65.25
Ben Abrahams	6	6	1	230	63*	46.00
James Grady	3	3	1	196	105*	98.00
Joel Seward	2	2	0	180	129	90.00
Dan Fogerty	9	6	0	177	52	29.50
Oliver West	2	2	0	165	136	82.50
James Horler	6	5	1	159	125*	39.75
Andrew Donovan	2	2	0	116	113	58.00

BOWLING

(Minimum : 20 Overs and minimum of 4 wickets)

	Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Econ	SRate
Bernie Wilson	12	79.1	12	364	17	21.41	4.59	27.94
Dan Fogerty	9	38	11	150	7	21.42	3.94	32.57
Paul Berman	4	29	4	120	6	20.00	4.13	29.00
Craig Penberthy	6	28	6	101	4	25.25	3.61	42.00
Dom Tuohey	5	23	5	103	4	25.75	4.47	34.50
Freddie Creer	6	27	0	160	4	40.00	5.92	40.50
DJ Van Vuuran	5	27	5	137	3	45.66	5.07	54.00

CENTURIES (5)

Oliver West	136	v The Strollers	at Exeter
Joel Seward	129	v Somerset Stragglers	at Shobrooke Park
James Horler	125*	v Devon Woman	at Shobrooke Park
Andrew Donovan	113	v North Devon CC	at Instow
James Grady	105*	v The Frogs	at Oxford

CENTURY PARTNERSHIPS (5)

1st Wicket

132	Andrew Donovan & Gareth Tidball	v North Devon CC	at Instow
114	Matt Crampton & Dom Tuohey	v South Oxford Amateurs	at Exeter
100	Ben Abrahams & Kenton Vos	v Haberdashers' Aske's School	at Sidmouth

4th Wicket

121	Robin Fern & Graham White	v Exeter School	at The School
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6th Wicket

170	James Horler & Eddie Jones	v Devon Women	at Shrobrooke Park
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BEST BOWLING

4-8	Paul Berman	v Devon Women	at Shobrooke Park
4-20	Charlie Neilson	v Arden Taverners	at Clyst St George
4-21	Dan Fogerty	v The Frogs	at Exeter
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4-37	Bernie Wilson	v The Wanderers	at Oxford

WICKETKEEPING DISMISSALS

5 – James Horler	3 catches	2 stumpings
4 – Adam Small	2 catches	2 stumpings
3 – Niall Leahy	3 catches	0 stumpings

CATCHES IN THE FIELD

5 – Ziphokuthula Zondo
5 – Dan Fogerty
4 – James Grady

APPEARANCES

12 – Bernie Wilson
9 – Dan Fogerty
6 – Ben Abrahams, Craig Penberthy, Freddie Creer, James Horler
5 – Bertie Creer, Charlie Neilson, Graham White, Dom Tuohey, Ziphokuthula Zondo

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