

Devon Dumplings won their rain reduced match against touring Strollers comfortably by 70 runs, the planned all day match being reduced to one of 35 overs per side. Thanks to the efforts of the Exeter ground staff and their hard work the ground was playable allowing the game to go ahead.

After an early lunch Dumplings won the toss and chose to bat, making a slow start of 28 for 2 off 11 overs. The third wicket partnership between Exeter's Graham White and Shobrooke's Richard Pyle proved decisive with 132 runs coming in only 15 overs with Pyle making 58 off 45 balls and White 84 off 67 balls. Chris Kelmere then batted through to the end with 32 off 24 balls as the Dumplings finished on 218 for 5. The wickets were shared amongst the Strollers bowlers with Wethey doing best with 2 for 44.

Strollers reply got off to a stuttering start with Turnhill feathering his hook at a second ball bouncer to Du Buisson behind the stumps. Arnold and Porter made 35 and 31 respectively at numbers 3 and 4 before the introduction of spin with Still, Berman and Wilson reduced them to 90 for 8 in their 23rd over. A sparkling 49 off 37 balls in 38 minutes by Strollers number 8, Keith Rutherford, added respectability to the score, before he was last out in the 30th over with the total on 148. Phil Allen took 2 for 29, Callum Still a miserly 3 for 3 and Paul Berman 4 for 30. The final wicket was taken by under 14 bowler Dan Pyle in his only over.

Scores (35 overs game)

**Devon Dumplings 218 for 5 (White 84, R Pyle 58, Kelmere 32, Wethey 2-44).
Strollers 148 (Rutherford 49, Arnold 35, Porter 31, Berman 4-30, Still 3-3, Allen 2-29). Dumplings won by 70 runs**