

London Erratics v Shalbourne

A 35 overs match. On a hot, sunny afternoon, the Erratics won the toss and elected to bat. Chris Dunabin agreed to play for the home team to make it 11-a-side.

Match manager James Rivington maintained control of affairs just long enough to prevail upon Nasir Khawaja to bat at No. 3, then handed over the captaincy to him. Against a reasonably competent bowling line-up, almost all the Erratics batsmen got a start, then offered up catches while attempting attacking shots. Nasir held the innings together. When he was out with 10 overs still remaining, George Dabby batted sensibly to keep the innings going, in partnerships with Matthew Neal and Lester Alvis. In the 35th over, Richard Heller hit Chris for two boundaries, then let the excitement get the better of him. The best total of the season so far.

After his brief angry spell at Bampton, Matthew N was given the opportunity to be one of the openers, but the excellent tea had clearly robbed him of his fiery zeal. Brian Berrigan was his normal excellent self – but the breakthrough didn't come. The requirement to find five bowlers again taxed the Erratics. Matthew Eltringham bowled well, and finally broke the opening stand. A little flurry of wickets (good catches by Brian and George, and an excellent one-handed return catch by Lester) was more flattering than significant – in truth, the home side were well on their way to victory. Mr Dunabin was 0 not out at the end.

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LONDON ERRATICS — batting

		4s	6s
Rivington	caught	11	1
Andrews	caught	3	
*† Khawaja	caught	44	7
Berrigan	caught	8	2
Eltringham	caught	12	1
Poulter	caught	4	1
Hosken	caught	1	
Neal	caught	12	
Dabby	NOT OUT	19	1
Alvis	caught	12	1
Heller	b Dunabin	8	2

169 all out in 34.5 overs

Fall of wickets: 1(Andrews)–6, 2(Rivington)–41, 3(Berrigan)–67, 4(Eltringham)–103, 5(Poulter)–107, 6(Hosken)–108, 7(Khawaja)–123, 8(Neal)–133, 9(Alvis)–160, 10(Heller)–169

SHALBOURNE — batting

1	c Berrigan	b Eltringham	44
2	c & b	b Alvis	52
3	c Berrigan	b Heller	4
4	c Dabby	b Eltringham	1
5		b Eltringham	12
6		b Alvis	19
7	not out		20
8	not out		0
9			
10			
11			

170 for 6 in 31.2 overs

LONDON ERRATICS — bowling

Dabby	7	1	30	0
Neal	1	0	20	0
Berrigan	7	1	23	0
Heller	4	0	29	1
Eltringham	7	0	26	3
Alvis	5	0	40	2
Rivington	0.2	0	4	0

ERRATICS LOST BY 4 WICKETS