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FROM THE PRESIDENT
2024 SEASON
(164th Season)

2024 must go on record as one of our wettest starts to the season. Contrast this with our game and invitation to be back playing at Windsor Boys' School on 24th April only to find a hard track used effectively by the Boy's School to keep the Incogs batsmen on our toes.

We then had a couple of cancelled games in early May due to the weather and our season re-started at the end of May. We had a very good win against Oratory School which is the first time since I can remember we have beaten this school. This being down to a five-wicket haul by young Finn Wilshire for which there is sadly no match report only a photo to record how he achieved this feat. As a Club we need to ensure Peter Wiseman who is our Keeper of the Scores and Averages receives not only an accurate scorecard complete with all names and details but an accurate score card submitted in good time following completion of the fixture. The importance of this is being relayed by Tim Sims to all Match Managers for the 2025 season.

The Mid-West Tour was well run again by Jon Andrews who has since become both married and a father and I would like to wish both Jon and Maevis his wife a wonderful future together with their new baby.

The Western Tour I ran was well attended with good young cricketers. We had success on and off the field and thanks to Harry Gadsby we had our first Incogniti Grand Prix at the Go Karting circuit just outside Exeter on the morning before a game to settle our playing nerves! Alec Clarke was the inaugural winner. You can only guess who was last being the conservative driver! Specials thanks are also required to Tom Gadsby as we have secured a fixture versus Sidmouth CC at their beautiful ground by the sea as part of the 2025 Western Tour.

I would like to thank all members on the Incogniti Committee for their hard work in making the 2024 season so enjoyable, in particular, Tim Sims who continues to do an excellent job as Honorary Secretary keeping the Club's administration in line with current standards, Ben Wakeford for organising the fixtures, Peter Wiseman for once again putting together this wonderful booklet which will be on line on the Club's website and to Nav Saeed for his efforts in raising sides outside the two domestic tours and then running an overseas tour to Romania.

One note of caution is the need for the Club to continue to be vigilant to its financial position and for all match managers to ensure they provide an accurate record of receipts back to the Club's finance officer. We have tried to reduce costs by placing all previously printed documentation online and have looked hard at the cost of playing some of the marquee games at rented grounds. Sadly, the cost of ground hire and teas now makes some grounds unaffordable and we find ourselves being priced out of the market as a wandering cricket club.

Looking forward to a new season in 2025 catching up with old friends and making new ones.

Antony Wood
President.

Honorary Secretary's Report 2024

The world of cricket is undergoing significant changes. Bazball, limited over league cricket, 20/20 games are now being played instead of all-day games between schools, Development leagues now being played on Sundays which is leading partly to the demise of Sunday cricket at club level, and the welcome rise of more and more womens' participation in the game. All of this has provided some challenges for our Club, as there seem to be fewer opportunities to spread the game that Incogniti was founded on - namely the long form of declaration cricket which, if managed well, would lead to an enjoyable and exciting result - win, lose or draw.

Our Club has to evolve with all these changes, and it is pleasing to see how we are going about this. We do encourage our opposition to play declaration cricket - it is always amusing to be to see and hear the bemusement of the younger generation who have never played this form of the game - but where this is not possible, we are engaging in an increasing number of limited overs games. We are endeavouring, and have been successful in, recruiting a good number of younger players and this has been significantly helped by all the Oliver Battcock Fund donations that members have so generously provided. This is critical due to the diminishing number of more mature players from our playing membership, which has not recovered from the pause in cricket caused by COVID. We have also introduced a new range of modern playing and training kit which has gone down well with our younger members.

We are planning on keeping our fixture list to about 25 games a year. We are trying to structure these games to include our two successful and well-supported UK tours and an overseas tour, ensuring our regular fixtures are predominantly London-centric to meet the location of our playing demographic and to reduce travel time and costs, and avoiding fixtures that might fall during the Development League season in July and August. We are also ensuring that the mix of our fixtures fit our club's financial model. This means unfortunately that we are no longer able to maintain the range of fixtures that we used to have against other wandering clubs where we had to pay or share ground hire costs for example. Cricket is really becoming an expensive sport with the rise in cost of ground hire, catering and cricket balls.

As with many clubs, we have also now made the decision to publish all our publications on our Club website. This is to fit with our approach on sustainability as well as avoiding large increases in printing, material and postage costs. I am pleased to say that we will still send out hard copies of our fixture card and a quick review of the previous season's results. Please let me know if your address has changed as the Club can't afford to waste postage to incorrect addresses.

Overall the 2024 season went well. We played twenty-three games with four games being rained off, we had two really enjoyable and successful UK tours to Wiltshire and Devon, and Nav Saeed successfully led a tour party to Romania. It was great to see notable performances from our OBF-funded players - Bevan West scored 101 against John Lyon School and Finn Wilshire took 5 for 58 to help Incogs win their first game against a strong Oratory School side. Nav Malik and Imran Khan, representing the more mature end of our playing membership, scored 125 against Datchet and 109 n.o. against a Romanian XI respectively. We had many good days out, but probably the most notable were games at the wonderful Hurlingham Club, beating Oratory School, defeating Cross Arrows, managing to pluck defeat from the jaws of victory against Free Foresters at a most hospitable Datchet CC, and a wonderful day out at Burbage who fielded a team predominantly made up of youngsters from local public schools who we converted to declaration cricket!!

As ever, I would like to recognise our Committee Members for all the work they put into the running of the Club, all our Match and Tour Managers for organising teams and thank all our umpires and scorers for making themselves available to officiate at our games.

Tim Sims
Honorary Secretary
Incogniti Cricket Club

An abridged history of the Incogniti Cricket Club

On the 15th February 1912 some 300 cricketers gathered at the Hotel Russell, London for a celebratory dinner. This was the jubilee of the Incogniti Cricket Club and the date of the first Committee meeting 50 years previously. But there was another cause for celebration: the Ashes had been regained in Australia two days previously. On that day in 1912 the oh-so-famous Urn was the personal possession of a member of the club (they were bequeathed to the MCC after his death in 1927) and the Ashes, a concept born of a mock obituary of English cricket, had been won for England on two occasions by a major contribution from two members of the club. In its 150 year history there have been four Incogs who have captained England and eight or more Test players.

In Incogniti's first season, the year 1861, eight matches were played on a variety of grounds, starting at Lord's on 25th May v the X.Y.Z. It could have been the beginning and the end of the X.Y.Z. – they never reappeared in the amazingly complete and continuous record of the Incogniti – but Incogniti was to prosper and flourish. Tufnell Park was chosen as the home ground at that first Committee meeting, but after a week's tour to the Midlands in 1863 Incogniti became truly wandering, abandoning Tufnell Park the following year.



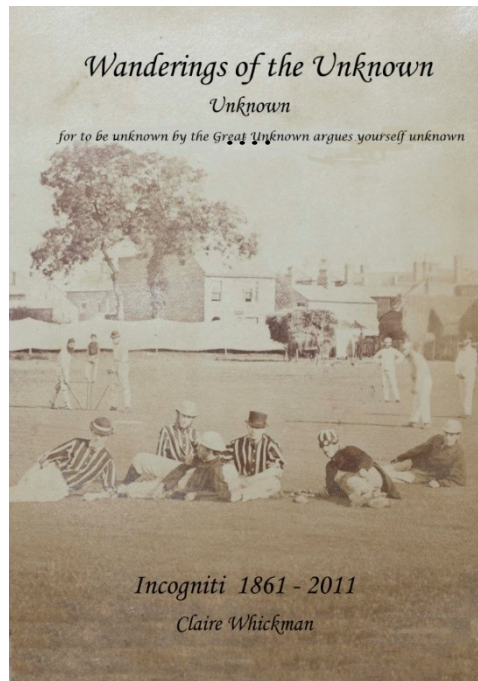
Bass was a prodigious wicket taker in the first 20 years

How truly great and wandering the club was to become is epitomised by the fact that both captains in the first Test series between England and New Zealand, played in New Zealand in 1930, were Incogs who had played together on the Incogniti Tour to America in 1924. And New Zealand had been put on the international cricket map by an Incog who had toured there, captaining a Fijian team prior to that Jubilee dinner. Two stalwart Incogs had played in opposing sides in an earlier Test series: 1905/6 England v South Africa.

An Incog forced the making of a new Law – the declaration. An Incog forced a change to the follow on Law. Two Incogs were heavily involved in the upgrading of the lbw Law. An Incog was largely responsible for acquisition of the southern end of the Nursery Ground at Lord's, when the whole of the ground was under threat from the building of a railway line. An Incog invented that deceitful ball, the googly. Incogniti has made its presence felt all round the world and over Europe with tours to Australia, South Africa, America, Canada, Goa, Singapore, Denmark, Holland, Malta, Cyprus and Gibraltar, and within the British Isles to Eire, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Wight. There have been Incogniti matches in nearly every county of England and even in Kenya.

The magic facts about the club, the sources of pride, have been that it is the third oldest wandering club and that it played its first game at Lord's. The first fact is false, as carved in wood on a plaque commemorating the International Millennium Cricket Festival for Wandering Clubs, Oxford 2000, but definitely debatable: this placed Incogniti as the fifth. The second fact is of little consequence since Lord's was in an appalling state at the time: anyone could play there for one shilling, inclusive of stumps, bat and ball. Maybe it is harder to remember all of the above facts but they are surely far more worth boasting about! Back in the early years of the club, the initials I.C.C. were used. Obviously they are not used today, in deference to a far more powerful organisation, but the initials had been taken from a club as meritorious in its own way. There has been unrecognisable change in the social landscape since the inception of the Incogniti and yet its essential character, the desire to play a fair and honourable game to a sporting conclusion, has not. Incogs remain passionate about the "proper" way of playing, about the joy derived from playing for a finish, and from playing with the opposition rather than against them. It is the preservation of this ethos that is now drawing cricketers, tired of the lack of these very qualities in league cricket, into the ranks of the Great Unknown.

Claire Whickman, Club Archivist



This is the story of the Incogniti Cricket Club, starting with eleven men, some if not all, recently having finished their schooling at Godolphin, Hammersmith, in a match on 25th May 1861 at Lord's cricket ground. With no boundaries, no declaration, a 4 ball over, under-arm or round-arm bowling and long-stops, cricket was then a significantly different game. Bowling was so much the lesser part that no analysis was kept – scoring 50 runs was considered as great a feat as a hat trick! The conditions acceptable for play were also considerably different - even Lord's had a rough wicket and ridge and furrow in the outfield. Play would continue through drenching downpours and on into darkness. Cricket had a long way to go to become the game that we know today.

Early in its history the Incogniti played counties and mostly won, fielding up to 9 first class cricketers in its side. Some 650 first class cricketers have been members, including 9 Test captains. A meritorious wandering club – one of those Test captains was of South Africa (having previously played for England) and another was of New Zealand.

Some 300 pages tell a personal story of a journey through the 76 kilos of leather bound records and 42 kilos of other memorabilia. It is eclectic, anecdotal, visual and colourful, including photographs taken from 1863 onwards. There is also a complete record of the opposition in the nearly 8,000 matches played; who, where, when and with what result.

Copies of “Wanderings of the Unknown” are available to purchase from the Club’s online shop, or you may contact Claire Whickman at: Winmalee, Long Lane, Shaw, Newbury, Berks RG14 2TH. Or gwhickman@btinternet.com

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED

Won (9)

Windsor Boys' School
Oratory School
Maidenhead & Bray
Trowbridge
Burbage & Easton Royal
Cross Arrows
Tipton St. John
Guards
Romania

Lost (11)

Free Foresters
Tiffin School
Datchet
Philanderers
Wiltshire Queries
Hurlingham Club
Sidbury
Chiswick
Romanian Bears
Romania
Romania

Drawn (3)

Tiffin Tercels
John Lyon School
Ottery St. Mary

No Play (4)

Honourable Artillery Company
Dr. Challenor's School
Hampshire Hogs
Malmesbury

Total Matches Played 2024

23

Matches Played 1861 - 2024

Total 8076 Won 2959 Lost 2412 Drawn 2668 Tied 19

Notes.

1. Candidates are shown with a star (*) before their names.
2. Guests are shown with a hash (#) before their names.
3. Details in RED on scorecards shown in the Handbook indicate an INCORRECT scorecard received from the Match Manager!

THE OLIVER BATTCOCK FUND

Dear Member

I am most pleased to be able to report that, over the last couple of years, the club has been represented on the field by more and more younger or student candidates.

Whilst this is healthy, it does mean that, although the club does its best to subsidise their cricket, many games are played at a financial loss. As a result of this the Committee has agreed to re-open the Oliver Battcock Fund, which some members will remember was set up on his death in 1970, with the objective of helping to subsidise younger or student candidates and members who would benefit from some financial support to help them with the costs of representing the club.

For those of you that don't know, Oliver Battcock was one of the Club's most influential members of recent times - playing two first class matches for the MCC and playing 115 minor counties games representing Buckinghamshire. He was a Life Member of Incogniti, taking 2,204 wickets at an average of 12.99 and scoring 7020 runs. The article that follows gives a wonderful insight to the man based on the reminiscences of club member Colin Schnadhorst.

Over the winter, a number of members have been kind enough to donate to the Fund and we are most grateful for their support. I am now hoping that other members might consider making a donation to the Fund, to a maximum of £50, thus making it possible for us to continue to support good young cricketers and encouraging them to adopt and enjoy the style of wandering cricket that the club is renowned for and the camaraderie that the club provides.

If you do feel inclined to support this initiative you can make an online donation to Incogniti Cricket Club, sort code 15-80-00, account number 63297936 reference by OBF plus your surname.

Many thanks for your support.

Tim Sims
Hon Sec

For the record, the Fund was utilised in 2024 as follows:

Match Fees £680.00
Subscriptions £220.00

The balance of the fund at the time of writing stands at £3,437

OLIVER GORDON BATTCOCK 1903-1970.

I first met Oliver during the summer of 1959 during the school holidays as my father was helping me to find a club in order to continue my cricketing education. A friend suggested Datchet where "there's a chap there called Oliver Battcock who might teach your son a thing or two". And he did!

He taught me how club cricket should be played, in the right spirit, seriously and fairly, always respecting the opposition and enjoying their company in the bar afterwards. In Oliver's case this would mean holding court with his pipe in one hand and a beer in the other! There was always a group around him enjoying his company and stories.

Before the days of League cricket when Sunday matches were all-day affairs when a good lunch would be enjoyed. If it was a home match and we were batting, Oliver, as captain, would take charge of the washing-up and would 'volunteer' others to help him!

He was a medium-paced swing bowler who played for Buckinghamshire between 1925 and 1939, and after the war from 1946-51 making 115 appearances in all. When the Australian touring party played a 2-day game at Eton College, they described him as one of the best swing bowlers they had met on tour.

He took 12 wickets in the match and was undoubtedly much sharper than in his later years. He was essentially an outswing bowler with the occasional off-cutter which was rather telegraphed by his clearly wrapping his fingers around the ball. A competent lower-order left-hand bat, he would normally field at mid-on, the boot being used as much as his hands when fielding in his later years! Playing into his sixties, Oliver took 100 wickets for both Datchet and the Incogs in his 60th year – some bowler!

Apart from Bucks and Datchet, he played a vast amount of cricket every summer, frequently more than one game a week. He subsequently became a stalwart and something of a legend to the Incogs. As a part-time groundsman at Datchet, he liked to use liquid cow manure in the preparation of the wickets. This was transported to the square in a wheelbarrow and, rumour has it, one sunny afternoon he was found enjoying forty winks in the very same barrow after his labours were done! This may explain why the ladies of Datchet repaired a pair of his favourite trousers with a red patch and, at the end of the season, hauled them up the flagpole and then ceremoniously burnt them much to Oliver's great indignation!

Datchet used to organise a series of tours to Wales and Oliver played in the first game of the inaugural tour. The accommodation was a B & B run by a very stern landlady. After a raucous night celebrating our first win and the ensuing noisy late night, breakfast was served in silence with the landlady announcing, "I want you all out by 11 o'clock!" Oliver's response from behind his newspaper was a rather unhelpful, "I've been thrown out of better places than this!" Subsequent negotiations revealed that the previous guests had been a rugby team who had left without paying and a cash advance resolved the impasse!

A less auspicious occasion occurred when Datchet played Ickenham away towards the end of his career and his health was suffering. He ran in to bowl and, in the final three delivery strides, he broke wind three times. The batsman looked at Oliver rather than the ball, slips and the keeper collapsed laughing and the ball went for four byes!



Whilst cricket consumed his summers, his other passion was the theatre and he loved acting, making his West End debut in 1931 under his stage name of Oliver Gordon. When the Second World War broke out, the then manager of the Theatre Royal Windsor, John Counsell, was called up and asked Oliver to take his place in running the theatre. In later years he was the Director-Producer of the Salisbury Repertory Company and he enjoyed playing the Dame in their pantomime. One year a group of Datchet players took a minibus to see the panto in which he was playing Widow Twankey, to find that he had reserved us front row seats. When the traditional sweet-throwing scene arrived, Oliver was unwise enough to aim some at the front row, only to receive a very accurate return volley! Being so close we clearly heard a stage whisper to the effect, "you bastards!"

Oliver led such a full and busy life and met so many people on the cricket field and in the theatre, that it was impossible for him to remember all their names. He duly adopted the simple tactic of employing the endearing greeting "Hello Cock, how are you?" What a character, and a lovely man.

INCOGNITI C. C. v WINDSOR BOYS' SCHOOL

In a sentimental nod to yesteryears, Incogniti CC squared off against Windsor Boys School, injecting the field with passion in a spirited early-season match on Wednesday, May 24th, 2024. With whispers of former showdowns echoing from the early 2000s, both teams readied themselves for an interesting contest.

The day unfolded with the arrival of the dependable umpire, Paul Furness, dressing his trademark Incogniti attire and armed with his trusty Ribena juice. A comforting sight that stirred memories and camaraderie, especially among Datchet CC comrades like Peter Brant and Dan Graham. Paul effortlessly slipped into his role as the sociable host, rekindling old friendships and laying the groundwork for a day loaded with banter and competitive cricket.

As the coin favoured Incogniti CC, anticipation soared for their batsmen to seize the spotlight.

Anthony Wood and Seb Eyre took to the crease, showcasing early promise until Wood surrendered to a fiery bouncer, courtesy of Windsor's emerging talent. However, Incogniti's resolve remained unshaken, with Anil Gill stepping up to steady the ship alongside Eyre, guiding the team to a respectable 73 before Eyre's departure.

Amidst discussions on tactics and the day's play, the players relished a feast fit for champions during the lunch break. With plates filled with delicious chicken and vegetable curry, fragrant rice, warm naan bread, and zesty mango chutney, they refuelled their bodies and forged bonds over shared meals, fortifying their resolve for the challenges ahead.

After lunch, Incogniti's batting lineup showcased depth and collectively setting an imposing target of 224 for 9 in 42 overs.

As Windsor Boys embarked on their innings, only to be swiftly dashed by Incogniti's bowlers. Despite B. Niblett's valiant efforts, emerging as Windsor's standout performer with the bat, the rest of the team wobbled against Incogniti's fearsome spin bowling attack. With Naveed Malik spearheading the attack taking three wickets, Windsor Boys School found themselves bundled out for a modest 93 runs in 31 overs, conceding victory to Incogniti CC.

In a match teeming with sporting genius, Incogniti CC emerged winners, and setting the stage for a promising season ahead.

Imran Khan

Played at Windsor on 24th April 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.

A.G.Wood c & b Niblett	6
S.Eyre b S.Ahmad.....	41
*A.Gill b Niblett	20
#G.Suma c Niblett b Pall.....	20
*D.Grahame b S.Ahmad.....	21
*S.Mughal b Niblett.....	0
#Q.Khan b Bront	33
N.Malik Not Out	25
#P.Brant b Bront	7
I.Khan c Pall b S.Ahmad.....	12
N.Saeed Not Out	1
Extras.....	38
Total (for 9 wkts.).....	224

WINDSOR BOYS' SCHOOL

K.Ahmad c Khan b Brant.....	1
S.Pall c Mughal b Saeed.....	1
J.Winch b Brant.....	3
K.Watson b Malik	12
B.Niblett c Khan b Malik	25
T.Roberts b Malik	7
L.Woolley c & b Mughal.....	12
S.Ahmad b Khan	1
A.Jacobs b Wood.....	10
H.Evans b Eyre.....	4
P.Bront Not Out.....	3
Extras	14
Total	83

Bowling :#P.Brant 6-1-11-2; Saeed 6-2-9-1; Malik 5-0-21-3; *Mughal 7-1-18-1; I.Khan 3-0-14-1; #Q.Khan 2-0-6-0; Eyre 2-0-8-1; Wood 1-0-1-1.

RESULT : WON BY 131 RUNS



INCOGNITI C.C. v HONOURABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY C.C.

4th May 2024. Match cancelled.

INCOGNITI C.C. v DR. CHALLENGOR'S SCHOOL

8th May 2024. Match cancelled.

INCOGNITI C.C. v HAMPSHIRE HOGS

26TH May 2024. Match cancelled.

INCOGNITI C.C. v FREE FORESTERS C.C.

Incogniti were hosted by Datchet CC for this annual fixture. Nick Gibbs as ex-President of Incogniti and previously a player and Chairman of Datchet CC put on a wonderful "light" lunch for some ex-players and Club officials and then enjoyed the game from the boundary.

The Free Foresters having won the toss batted first but the opening bowling of Ollie Wood and guest Dhinsa provided some early wickets for the Incogs. Nav Saeed took a good slip catch off Wood to dismiss Palmer early in his spell and Dhinsa got one to nip back which bowled R. Wood. Costin provided some relief with 26 and Venables 30 but none of the Foresters players went on to make a big score. Wickets were taken regularly by all the Incogniti bowlers except the President Tony Wood who was a tad expensive with 22 taken off 2 overs at the end.

The Foresters finished on 169 all out which was certainly gettable but the track certainly had a bit of life in it so Incogniti needed a strong start. Sadly, the early wickets of Nav Saeed, Seb Eyre and then Dan Grahame meant with 3 wickets down this was going to be a big ask to get the required 170 runs to win the game. Nav Malik (20) played some good shots as opener and formed a nice partnership with Jarvis Eyre (25) but both were out to Sceenivasan leaving Ollie Wood to play an individual and quite remarkable innings. Some strong shots on the leg side and a couple of reverse switch hits saw the modern-day player come to Incogniti's ranks. Unfortunately, no other player could stay with Ollie and when his dad Tony came in at No.11 he managed to get bowled leaving his son on 49 not out. Not a

great day's cricket for the President! Sadly this is the second time this has happened to Ollie so the President needs to stick around next time they bat together.

A few drinks in the bar afterwards and all was forgotten as we all made our respective ways back home.

Tony Wood



Played at Datchet C.C. on 29th May 2024:-

FREE FORESTERS C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
K.Palmer c Saeed b O.Wood.....	0	N.Saeed c Palmer b Clarke	0
R.Wood b Dhinsa	0	N.Malik b Scenivasan.....	20
M.Costin c Grahame b O.Wood.....	26	S.Eyre c Costin b Clarke	2
L.Dawson c S.Eyre b Dhinsa.....	9	*D.Grahame c Palmer b Clarke	9
J.Arnold lbw b Khan	6	#J.Eyre b Scenivasan	25
T.McLwaine c Kempe Gowda b J.Eyre	17	H.De Coteau lbw b Scenivasan.....	3
O.Venables c O.Wood b J.Eyre	30	O.Wood Not Out	49
E.Watkins c O.Wood b De Coteau...	17	I.Khan c Clarke b McHegney	3
W.McHegney c A.G.Wood b O.Wood	15	#V.Kempe Gowda c Costin b McHegney.	2
T.Clarke c Grahame b Kempe Gowda	25	#A.Dhinsa c Clarke b Scenivasan	0
A.Scenivasan Not Out	8	A.G.Wood b Palmer	10
Extras.....	16	Extras	2
Total	169	Total	125

Bowling: O.Wood 6.4-1-22-3; #Dhinsa 6-2-19-2; Khan 4-1-5-1; De Coteau 6-0-39-1;
#J.Eyre 5-0-24-2; #Kempe Gowda 7-2-16-1; A.G.Wood 2-0-22-0; S.Eyre 3-0-13-0.

RESULT: LOST BY 44 RUNS



INCOGNITI C.C. v TIFFIN TERCELS C.C.

We had a great game played at a good standard versus Tiffin Tercels on the 9th June 24, Tiffin School ground. Playing a traditional timed game.

Incogniti won the toss and decided to bat on a lovely sunny day. Nav Malik and Ben Birtles opened the batting, both started very cautiously and the first to go was Ben Birtles, bowled by a young left arm bowler (Seyon), certainly a very fiery and pacey young bowler. Definitely a player to look out for in the future. Malik batted sensibly anchored the innings. Tony came out to bat and played an elegant innings of 42 with some lovely shots off his legs, as always a pleasure to watch.

With a mini collapse we had young Jarvis Eyre and Ranalto or Buster as he likes to be called put on a large partnership in the middle overs which took our score close to 200. Renalto managed to score his maiden 50 for Incogs. With a late flurry from Imi Khan and our latest candidate Shahid Mughal we managed to score 234 for 8 in 43 overs.

Incogniti opened the bowling with the services of Ben Birtles and Shahid Mughal. Shahid converted from a left arm seamer to left arm spinner bowled a very tight 8 overs for 17 runs, with Ben at the end trying to take early wickets. We managed to take some early wickets, Birtles taking 2 of them, but Tercel dug in and 3 of their players got 50's. Imi Khan bowled well and was always striving to take wickets and was pick of the bowlers taking 3 wickets. The game was taken to the last over, where Tercels still had a chance of winning the game and Incogs were striving for wickets. Both teams fell short with Tercels finishing on 221 for 6.

A great day of cricket everyone had a good day out, with many family and friends watching the game. Thanks to Kaps for a great tea, with curry and rice.

Nav Saeed

Played at Grist's on 9th June 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		TIFFIN TERCELS C.C.	
N.Malik lbw b ?	27	Uday c J.Eyre b Khan.....	56
B.Birtles b ?	0	Jethro c J.Eyre b Birtles.....	13
A.G.Wood c? b?	42	Josh b Birtles	0
S.Bowry c? b?	16	Max c J.Eyre b Malik	54
S.Eyre c? b?	1	Labya lbw b Khan	0
#J.Eyre c? b?	38	Thaphar b Khan.....	53
#R.Relton c? b?	50	Sharma Not Out.....	19
I.Khan c? b?	26	Suj Not Out	7
*S.Mughal Not Out	11	Seyon DNB	
#A.Syed Not Out.....	4	J.Parker DNB	
N.Saeed DNB.....		I.Languish DNB	
Extras.....	19	Extras	19
Total (for 8 wkts).....	234	Total (for 6 wkts)	221

Bowling: Birtles 9-0-45-2; *Mughal 8-0-17-0; #Relton 8-0-62-0; S.Eyre 1-0-12-0; Malik 4-0-26-1.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN

INCOGNITI C. C. v JOHN LYON SCHOOL

Played at Harrow on 18th June 2024

INCOGNITI C.C.		JOHN LYON SCHOOL.	
H.Gadsby b Maqedonci.....	15	J.Patel c? b Mughal	8
*B.West c? b Vijayvargia.....	101	K.Gunaseelan Not Out	81
#Z.Asher c Chohan b Wijesinghe.....	26	R.Chohan c West b Birtles	6
B.Birtles Not Out	52	J.Ellis c? b Mughal	79
S.Bowry Not Out	6	G.Allen Not Out	4
S.Eyre DNB.....		J.Maqedonci DNB.....	
N.Saeed DNB		D.Wijesinghe DNB	
*S.Mughal DNB		D.Patel DNB	
*A.Iqbal DNB		A.Vijayvargia DNB.....	
#P.Brant DNB.....		I.Khan DNB	
*A.Gill DNB.....		W.Pye DNB.....	
Extras.....	20	Extras	12
Total (for 3 wkts.).....	220	Total (for 3 wkts.)	190

Bowling : *Mughal 10-3-22-2; Saeed 5-2-5-0; *Iqbal 7-1-26-0; Bowry 5-1-28-0; Birtles 8-2-26-1; Eyre 4-0-36-0; *West 6-0-14-0; #Brant 2-0-23-0.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN



INCOGNITI C. C. v ORATORY SCHOOL.

Played at Oratory School on 25th June 2024

INCOGNITI C.C.		ORATORY SCHOOL.	
*D.Grahame c Watson b Derbyshire	11	C.Tappan b Wiltshire.....	9
F.Harris c & b Burton.....	23	J.Burton b Wiltshire.....	1
#Z.Asher c Davies b Watson.....	11	R.Derbyshire c Grahame b Mughal.....	28
E.Ince lbw b Hector	47	T.Akaparapu c Grahame b Wiltshire.....	20
#A.Maplesden st? b Akaparapu	21	J.Jackson b Wiltshire	4
#Z.Khan b Hector	0	A.Hector c Grahame b Mughal.....	1
*S.Mughal lbw b Akaparapu	12	A.Wild c Maplesden b Khan	50
#F.Wiltshire b Taphouse	34	G.Gangabalan lbw b Saeed.....	14
R.Harris c Wild b Akaparapu.....	22	M.Taphouse b Wiltshire	24
S.Bowry Not Out.....	0	A.Watson b Khan	1
N.Saeed DNB.....		T.Davies Not Out	14
Extras.....	13	Extras	2
Total (for 9 wks.).....	194	Total	168

Bowling : #Wiltshire 13.4-2-58-5; *Mughal 11-2-41-2; Saeed 5-0-25-1; Ince 1-0-1-0; Bowry 2-0-26-0; #Khan 3-0-1-15.2.

RESULT : WON BY 26 RUNS



INCOGNITI C. C. v MAIDENHEAD & BRAY C.C.

Played at Bray on 30th June 2024

MAIDENHEAD & BRAY C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
Manchanda c Mughal b Nadir.....	47	H.Gadsby lbw b Armstrong.....	55
Denman c H.Gadsby b Jayamane	27	S.Bowry c? b Howard	37
Searing c Iqbal b Gadsby	65	#Z.Asher b Armstrong	42
Bailey c Bowry b Anoop.....	33	*A.Gill c? b Dahlya.....	4
Dahlya b H.Gadsby.....	0	H.Nadir c? b Dahlya	26
Howard c H.Gadsby b Anoop	0	*S.Mughal Run Out	2
Crayston Not Out.....	1	T.Gadsby b Armstrong.....	8
Child Not Out.....	4	#D.Jayamane b Armstrong	6
S.Manchanda DNB		#Anoop lbw b Armstrong.....	3
A.Moorthy DNB		*A.Iqbal Not Out.....	6
Armstrong DNB.....		N.Saeed Not Out	1
Extras.....	20	Extras	9
Total (for 6 wkts.).....	197	Total (for 9 wkts.).....	199

Bowling : *Iqbal 5-0-35-0; #Jayamane 7-0-36-1; *Mughal 7-0-27-0; Nadir 7-0-39-1;
#Anoop 6-0-46-2; H.Gadsby 3-0-14-2.

RESULT : WON BY 1 WICKET

INCOGNITI C.C. v TIFFIN SCHOOL

Played at Grist's on 3rd July 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		TIFFIN SCHOOL.	
H.Nadir c Holmes b?	16	U.Tolly c F.Harris b West	26
F.Harris lbw b?	18	N.Harish Not Out	114
#Z.Asher c Holmes b?	10	S.Kajus c Saeed b R.Harris.....	53
*B.West c & b?	21	S.Shaumugenathan Not Out	0
S.Bowry c & b?	14	J.Gaitskell DNB	
E.Ince b?	37	K.Syed DNB	
R.Harris lbw b?	0	A.Vishwanath DNB.....	
AG Wood b?	45	A.Ghag DNB.....	
I.Khan Not Out.....	14	H.Mudunkoctuwe DNB.....	
*A.Iqbal Not Out	16	?	
N.Saeed DNB.....		?	
Extras	19	Extras	19
Total (for 9 wkts.).....	210	Total (for 2 wkts.).....	212

Bowling: *Iqbal 8-0-26-0; Saeed 5-0-39-0; Khan 5-0-28-0; *West 6-0-35-1; Ince 4-0-22-0;
Bowry 4-0-36-0; R.Harris 3-0-26-1.

RESULT : LOST BY 8 WKTS.

INCOGNITI C.C. v DATCHET C.C.



Played at Datchet on 14th July 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.	
N.Malik b Kusal.....	18
H.Gadsby lbw b Iqbal	66
A.G.Wood b Kusal	28
S.Bowry lbw b Z.Khan.....	57
*S.Mughal c? b Singh	49
H.Rogers b Chaudhury	0
#I.Khattak b Z.Khan	1
N.Saeed Not Out	1
#Z.Khan DNB	
#J.Syed DNB	
I.Khan DNB	
Extras	30
Total (for 7 wkts)	250

DATCHET C.C.	
Samand c Mughal b Gadsby	125
Khalid c Saeed b Khattak	12
Zain c Rogers b Syed.....	31
Shane Not Out	45
Gareth c & b Saeed.....	4
Wasim b Saeed	3
Ibrahim Not Out	21
Kusal DNB	
Saifan DNB	
Ashar DNB	
G.Singh DNB	
Extras	13
Total (for 5 wkts)	254

Bowling:Mughal 7-0-60-0;#Khattak 4-3-31-1; #Syed 5-0-40-1; Gadsby 7-0-33-1; Malik 4.1-0-36-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 5 WICKETS.



INCOGNITI C.C v PHILANDERERS C.C.



After a great victory last year (Philanderers had not lost on a Sunday for over 9 years), we were looking forward to the fixture this season, again to be played at the picturesque Exning Park near Newmarket.

The day didn't start too well as we managed to mislay a player at Putney Station. As a result I received a phone call at 12.15 asking if I could play - as Hon Sec and living only 50 mins from the ground I had no choice but to agree to the request!!

I arrived at the ground 5 minutes after the start at 13.00 to see that Incogs were in the field - pity we had lost the toss on a flat belter and with the sun shining. I changed and rushed onto the field of play as over 3 was starting. I found out then that we had won the toss!!

Incogs opened the bowling with two young candidates with A Iqbal and S Stephens and after 12 overs Philanderers were 42 without lost - a steady start. Philanderers lost their first wicket at 43 and in spite of some good bowling from all the Incogniti bowlers, the Philanderers batters (M Chandaraker 101 n.o & E Pearson 77) were able to make steady progress and finally declared at 250 after 47 overs once Chandaraker had reached his century. Had they batted on too long?

Incogs did not have the best of starts to their innings as H De Coteau was bowled in the second over. T Stephens (20), Z Asher (20) and S Bowery (28) all made promising starts but at the start of the last 20 overs, Incogs were 88 for 5. We were now trying to save the game. Fifteen overs to go and we were 105 for six, thirteen overs to go and it was 109 for seven, twelve overs to go it was 111 for eight. N Malik and Ash Iqbal dug in and for a further nine overs the score remained at 111 for eight. We just had to survive another 3 overs. Ash Iqbal was then bowled and yours truly strolled to the wicket with S Stephens acting as my runner - I had pulled my hamstring after 4 overs of taking the field - but we only had to survive 2 overs. Ball four of the penultimate over Nav Malik decided to look for a single to protect me from having to face the last over - a wise strategic decision. Nav looked to work the ball into a legside gap, but alas after all his stoical defence he missed it and was bowled!! We had lost by 135 runs.

Who said declaration cricket couldn't be exciting. We had all had a good day of cricket and both sides enjoyed the game. I think we may even have converted some of the youngsters to the idea that declaration cricket can be exciting and that there was a real challenge to trying to save a game.

Tim Sims

Played at Exning Park on 21st July 2024:-

PHILANDERERS C.C.	
M.Ragnauth b Iqbal.....	26
M.Chandaraker Not Out.....	101
E.Pearson c Khattak b De Coteau.....	77
A.Lockie c Asher b Malik.....	16
R.Davidson c De Coteau b Malik.....	18
J.Rutt Not Out.....	6
E.Brown DNB.....	
S.Dean DNB.....	
B.Means DNB.....	
E.Radley DNB.....	
M.Coleman DNB.....	
Extras.....	6
Total (for 5 wkts.).....	250

INCOGNITI C.C.	
#T.Stephens b Dean.....	20
H.De Coteau lbw b Davidson.....	0
#Z.Asher c Pearson b Dean.....	20
A.Smith b Dean.....	3
S.Bowry c Ragnauth b Means.....	28
#I.Khattak c Coleman b Brown.....	13
N.Saeed lbw b Means.....	3
#S.Stephens c Means b Coleman.....	9
N.Malik b Davidson.....	4
*A.Iqbal b Butt.....	0
T.Sims Not Out.....	0
Extras.....	15
Total	115

Bowling: *Iqbal 7-3-18-1; #S.Stephens 4-0-17-0; #Khattak 7-0-35-0; De Coteau 14-0-83-1; Saeed 6-0-32-0; Malik 8-0-51-2; #Asher 1-0-10-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 135 RUNS



MID-WEST TOUR

INCOGNITI C.C. v MALMESBURY C.C.

29th July 2024. Match cancelled.

INCOGNITI C.C v TROWBRIDGE C.C.

After somewhat of a washout in 2023, fingers were crossed for glorious summer weather in Wiltshire in the last week of July. The cricket gods obliged and the Incogs managed three games in four days, with a full, healthy (as least at the start of the week) touring party. A rejigged schedule saw the tour start at Trowbridge, where player availability meant the game became an evening T20 at late notice. The Incogs were glad the game was not cancelled and took preparation that afternoon seriously, with half on the golf course and the other half enjoying the cultural experiences of Bath (not sure that Nandos counts as 'cultural'...). Batting first, the Incogs made 145 in their 20 overs, led by a classy 64 from Anghad who was supported by Zain with a watchful 39. With Trowbridge's power hitters well known, there was much speculation about whether the total would be enough. What transpired, however, was a commanding performance in the field from the 'Cogs. Some excellent bowling from Asher (3-22) and Sunny (3-19), along with athletic endeavour in the field, saw Trow finish on 109-9 in their twenty. The tour had started with a win.

Jon Andrews



Played at Trowbridge on 30th July 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		TROWBRIDGE C.C.	
F.Harris c? b Ealey.....	6	L.Hindle b Iqbal	0
#A.Ajgaonkar c? b Hurley	64	T.Lloyd b Iqbal.....	7
#Z.Ashaar lbw b Parks	39	J.John c? b Iqbal	16
O.Wood c & b Parks	0	J.Pretorius c O.Wood b Malik	8
#K.Sakhamuri st? b Wells.....	8	W.Hampton st Harris b Bowry	15
A.G.Wood Not Out.....	12	V.Naik lbw b Bowry.....	14
*A.Iqbal c? b Hurley	0	C.Baxter b Bowry	5
S.Bowry Not Out	5	J.Hurley c O.Wood b Afsar	2
N.Malik DNB.....		L.Parks b Afsar.....	9
N.Saeed DNB.....		J.Wells Not Out.....	9
J.Andrews DNB.....		J.Ealey Not Out	12
Extras	12	Extras	13
Total (for 6 wkts.).....	146	Total (for 9 wkts)	110

Bowling: *Iqbal 4-0-22-3; O.Wood 2-0-13-0; Malik 4-0-26-1; #Afsar 4-0-15-2; Andrews 2-0-16-0.

RESULT : WON BY 36 RUNS



INCOGNITI C.C v BURBAGE & EASTON ROYAL C.C.

On the Wednesday, Incogs visited Burbage and Easton Royal CC for the first time. Burbage rolled out the red carpet for the tourists, making the Incogs most welcome at their stunning ground. The day was a markedly special one, characterised by gentlemanly cricket, a good contest and much camaraderie (see photo). The game was expertly managed by the two captains – John Carrol for Burbage and Ollie Wood for Incogniti – for which everyone was grateful. Batting first on a beautiful track, Incogs made 225. Kiran's patient 41 deserves a special mention, as does 31 off 12 balls at the end of the innings by 'Lord Lucan', but much of the batting line-up help build the total. In the field, Incogs benefitted from a little more experience than the talented and youthful Burbage 11, who had done well to keep their standards up for a very warm 49 overs. A disciplined bowling display saw 'Cogs control their fielding innings, with the wickets spread around. Tony and Nav Malik bowled incredibly well for their two wickets apiece, as they had had to stick to their gameplan when Burbage rallied. In the end Incogs bowled out Burbage for 155 to claim their second win of the tour. To borrow a cliché, it was cricket that was the real winner, with the Incogs remaining on the outfield with the Burbage players and club members enjoying the West Country's finest cider as the sun set on a brilliant day. Burbage have invited Incogs back next year so we hope to make this a regular fixture on the Mid West tour.

Jon Andrews



Played at Red Lion Field on 31st July 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		BURBAGE & EASTON ROYAL C.C.	
F.Harris c Milne b Sadler.....	8	S.Woodford st Harris b A.G.Wood.....	28
#K.Sakhamuri b Carroll.....	41	T.Hall b?	8
#Z.Ashaar c & b Woodford.....	20	B.Makin st Harris b A.G.Wood.....	28
A.G.Wood c & b Milne.....	4	M.Milne c? b Ajgaonkar.....	27
#A.Ajgaonkar c Sadler b Lacey	18	C.Carroll b Malik.....	15
N.Malik b Buller	27	P.Buller c Harris b Malik.....	3
S.Bowry c? b Woodford.....	27	O.Sadler b Iqbal	9
O.Wood c? b Sadler	18	J.Carroll Run Out	24
I.Khan b Caruana	31	J.Lacey lbw b Khan.....	4
N.Saeed Not Out	4	H.Caruana b Khan	0
J.Andrews DNB.....		H.Boynton Not Out	1
Extras	25	Extras	8
Total	225	Total	155

Bowling: O.Wood 4-0-12-0; *Iqbal 5-0-13-1; Saeed 5-0-14-0; Malik 13-4-42-2; A.G.Wood 4-0-28-2; #Ajgaonkar 4-0-21-1; Khan 1.5-0-6-2.

RESULT : WON BY 70 RUNS



INCOGNITI C. C. v WILTSHIRE QUERIES C.C.

The final game of the tour was the annual showpiece at Tidworth of Wiltshire Queries vs Incogniti. This fixture has been a closely fought affair over the years – and recently Incogs have managed to play well to record a number of good wins here. This year, however, with news a day before the game of a very strong selection by the Queries, the Incogs knew they would be facing an uphill battle. Despite some disciplined and threatening bowling from Ollie and Asher, the Queries opening bats put on 122 for the first wicket. The Incogs stuck to their task but Queries made 266 before declaring after 48 overs. Tony had picked up another two wickets, as did Nav Saeed and Zain. The Incogs felt confident in their batting line-up, particularly given the two positive results on the tour thus far, but the reply was not as strong as they would have wished for. Wickets fell at regular intervals, often just as the Incogs' batsmen looked to be getting set. Nav Saeed contributed 27 but the team were bowled out for 115 in what had become a rather one-sided contest. The best games of cricket are chiefly good contests between two well-matched sides; we hope to return to that next year.

Once again, the week was an enjoyable one: sunshine, sixes and cider. The touring party was strong and there was an encouraging appetite amongst the playing membership to be involved. It was a true pleasure to welcome new members onto the tour and to spend time getting to know one another. Thank you to all those who played, captained the side, came along to spectate and support – and special note of thanks to Paul Furness who managed to juggle the AA, car hire and a smoking clutch on his vintage

MG to umpire in all of the matches. Rumour has it the car is still making its way back to Brighton as you read this in snowy February...
 Here's to 2025: do come and get involved!

Jon Andrews



Played at Tidworth on 1st August 2024:-

WILTSHIRE QUERIES C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
M.Bradley b Khan.....	86	S.Bowry b Croft	17
P.Dobson b Saeed	64	N.Malik b Croft.....	19
T.Shaw c Harris b Ashaar	10	F.Harris b Montgomery.....	10
C.Burnstorm c Malik b Ashaar.....	26	#A.Ajgaonkar Run Out.....	1
B.Hogan c Harris b Saeed	2	N.Saeed lbw b Grant.....	27
J.Bramwell c Khan b A.G.Wood.....	17	O.Wood st? b Garger.....	1
S.Montgomery b A.G.Wood	36	I.Khan b Burnstorm.....	12
J.Bond Not Out.....	16	#Z.Ashaar c Bradley b Croft.....	7
E.Garger Not Out.....	1	#K.Sakhamuri c Bradley b Garger.....	2
H.Croft DNB.....		*A.Iqbal Run Out.....	1
J.Bank DNB.....		A.G.Wood Not Out	9
Extras.....	8	Extras	9
Total (for 7 wkts).....	266	Total	115

Bowling: O.Wood 6-0-32-0;*Iqbal 6-1-37-0;Malik 5-0-37-0; Khan 8-1-40-1; #Ashaar 13-1-64-2; Saeed 8-0-33-2; A.G.Wood 2-0-17-2.

RESULT : LOST BY 151 RUNS



INCOGNITI C.C v HURLINGHAM CLUB C.C.

Played at Hurlingham Club on 4th August 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		HURLINGHAM CLUB C.C.	
H.Nadir c Falls-Anderson b Robyns...	15	E.Kilbee b Gordon.....	84
R. Sehmi c Kilbee b Chapman	7	S.Rhys c Gordon b Nadir.....	31
#J.Gordon c Pym b Falls-Anderson....	30	O.Logan Not Out.....	51
H.Rogers c Pym b Falls-Anderson.....	16	H.Robyns b Sehmi.....	63
#C.Aarons c Pym b Logan	58	E.Doughty c Rogers b Aarons	11
A.Smith b Logan.....	15	S.Pym Not Out	6
*A.Gill b Robyns	47	A.Pym DNB	
P.Pearce Run Out.....	20	A.Hancock DNB	
I.Khan Not Out.....	35	S.Chapman DNB	
N.Saeed b Robyns.....	1	H.Falls-Anderson DNB	
J.Andrews Not Out.....	6	W.Pym DNB	
Extras	9	Extras	15
Total (for 9 wkts.).....	259	Total (for 4 wkts)	261

Bowling: Khan 3.3-0-31-0; #Aarons 6-0-46-1; #Gordon 12-2-54-1; Rogers 2-0-14-0; Nadir 7-0-45-1; Saeed 5-0-27-0; Sehmi 5-0-33-1.

RESULT : LOST BY 6 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C.C. v CROSS ARROWS C.C.

Always a fixture to look forward to and this year did not disappoint. Berkhamsted CC looked a picture and the sun was shining.

Incogs won the toss and elected to bat. The team looked strong and boasted no less than five Oliver Battcock Fund sponsored players (under 21) and Justin Sprowl - a regular guest last year - from Claremont CC in Cape Town. It was not an unusual start for Incogs to see the scoreboard at 6 for 1 in the second over but Huss Nadir (57) and Zane Asher (42) settled the ship before the second wicket fell at a hundred. D Grahame (23), A Gill (20) and J Sprowl (36) all batted nicely and accumulated steady runs allowing Incogs to declare in the fifty second over at two hundred and two for seven.

J Sprowl (3 for 45) and A Iqbal (2 for 18) opened the bowling, taking regular wickets and making runs hard to come by for Cross Arrows. But the pick of the bowlers was Z Khan who came on to bowl four overs for three runs and took four wickets - brilliant. Cross Arrows were bowled out in the thirty second over for 107. Although yours truly was guesting for Cross Arrows, this was a well deserved and most welcome victory for Incogs.

Tim Sims



Played at Berkhamsted C.C. on 7th August 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.

H.Nadir Run Out.....	57
H.Gadsby b Garrett	1
#Z.Ashaar c Cham b Shrivastave	42
*D.Grahame lbw b Kanjia.....	23
*A.Gill b Kanjia.....	20
#J.Sprowl c & b Shrivastave	36
*S.Mughal c Shrivastave b Kanjia	4
#I.Khattak Not Out.....	9
#Z.Khan DNB.....	
*A.Iqbal DNB.....	
N.Saeed DNB.....	
Extras	11
Total (for 7 wkts).....	203

CROSS ARROWS C.C.

K.Cham c & b Sprowl	29
W.Midmore c Khattak b Iqbal	2
S.Pimm b Iqbal	14
J.Ashby b Sprowl	12
J.Donegan c Gill b Khan.....	20
P.Bagguley c Khan b Sprowl.....	10
A.Shrivastave c Khattak b Khan.....	5
K.Kanjia c Gill b Khan.....	0
H.Garrett lbw b Khan	0
A.Clarke c Khan b Khattak.....	2
T.Sims Not Out.....	0
Extras	13
Total	107

Bowling: #Sprowl 12-2-45-3; *Iqbal 5-1-18-2; #Ashaar 6-0-20-0; *Mughal 4-0-12-0; #Khan 4-0-3-4; #Khattak 0.1-0-0-1.

RESULT : WON BY 96 RUNS



WESTERN TOUR 2024

This summer if we had a summer for all the rain early in April and May it thankfully managed to leave the Western Tour untouched. We welcomed Norman Bygrave as our new scorer on tour and what a scoop this was for Incogniti. Norman who travelled from Norfolk to join us was a most welcome addition and a Tour Manager's dream. He arrived early at the ground, was all set up before we arrived having worked out where to plug in his extension lead for his computer and understood everything about Play Cricket. We sincerely hope Norman joins us again next year.

Christopher Dean our umpire also travelled from Cambridge. As I finish this column our intrepid umpire Chris is probably packing his bags to go off to Pakistan to watch England in the third test. Let's hope Pakistan do better than the pasting they got off the English cricketers in the first test in Multan.

On other news it was a pleasure to see Keith Robinson. Keith is the father of Ian who played for us in the last fixture versus Tipton St John. It was a pleasure to see Keith at Tipton.

Tony Wood

INCOGNITI C.C. v OTTERY ST. MARY C.C.

Ottery St Mary provided our first test on tour and it was a closer contest than in previous seasons.



Founded in 1858 three years before Incogniti this delightful club is located on Strawberry Lane running adjacent to the River Otter.

An uncontested toss saw Incogniti decide to bat first on a track which had seen a couple of previous games played on it so it was dry and hard. Harry Gadsby and Dan Kite saw Incogniti off to a good start but Gadsby was back LBW to the bowling of Prismall for 4. Conal Clarke bother to Alec was making his Incogniti Western Tour debut and he got off to a lovely start with a well struck off drive. Left handers always look so elegant batting. Both he and Dan Kite made steady progress taking the score to 62 before the loss of Kite for a well made 26. This time an LBW to Sophie Brandon who with her off spin bowling and late dip on the ball made it hard for the batters to time their shots.

Finn Harris as captain for the day struck the bad ball hard and, after a series of dot balls exploded with 4 fours and a 6 to ignite his innings. The third Incogniti wicket which fell at 79-3. Conal Clarke chipped one up to Brandon for her second wicket caught and bowled for a fine 40.

Nav Malik was watchful to begin but soon got into his stride with Harris as the score moved onto 145 before Harris was out for a fine 52 having completed his 50 in 37 balls with 8 fours and 1 six. He was bowled by the captain Alex Clements.

Oliver Wood joined Nav Malik in the 25th over and got away positively with a 4 off his first ball but the accurate bowling of Clements saw the back of Wood bowled for 14. Enter Jon Andrews for his first and only game on tour. He again was watchful as a few balls kept low but a four eased his early nerves and then a series of 1s and 2s and a well run 3 took him onto 14 meanwhile Nav Malik continued to occupy the crease at the other end.

After Jon Andrews was out for 14 it was left to Anthony Maplesden and Tom Gadsby to see Incogniti home to a respectable score of 222 declared off 40 overs leaving Ottery 44 overs to secure victory or draw the game.

Incogniti started with the bowling of Maplesden and Ben Willshire who endured some serious “pad rash”. Maplesden and Willshire were both accurate but unrewarded. The Ottery opening batters were in for a reasonable time and had a good start before the first wicket fell with the score on 71. Ollie Wood bowled Carstairs for 25 and then a further 7 wickets fell with the score only on 118.

Nav Saeed bowled the other opener and then proceeded to take a further two wickets with his accurate right arm off-spin bowled into the wicket. He ended with 3-39 off his 8 overs. Harry Gadsby with his right arm medium pace took three wickets with one being well caught by Jon Andrews. Harry took 3-13 off 5 overs.

For Ottery at 118-8 the future did not look bright but a gutsy partnership between skipper Alex Clements 58 No off 44 balls and Tom Jeacock 36 meant they pushed the total up to 211 for 9 and got close to the Incogniti total. But for a magnificent catch low down and diving out in the deep by Ollie Wood to dismiss Jeacock off the bowling of Saeed things would certainly have been different as Ottery needed 19 off 2 overs. In the end Ottery held out for a draw with 9 down for 211.



Back L-R: J.Andrews D.Kite F.Harris H.Gadsby T.Gadsby N.Malik N.Saeed C.Dean
Front L-R: O.Wood A.Maplesden A.Clarke B.Willshire C.Clarke

A meal at the Volunteer Inn after the game was enjoyed by all. Nav Malik was particularly obsessed by the need for Tartar Sauce with his fish and was promptly inundated with offers from the players. Our sincere thanks again to Kay Dean and Ottery St Mary for hosting us and Kay's very hard work again behind the bar and organisation of the teas. A small bouquet of flowers was presented to Kay after the game.

Tony Wood



Played at Ottery St. Mary C.C..on 20th August 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.	
H.Gadsby lbw b G.Prismall.....	4
D.Kite lbw b Brandon	26
*C.Clarke c & b Brandon.....	40
F.Harris b Clements	52
N.Malik b Buckland.....	24
O.Wood b Clements.....	14
J.Andrews c Thomas b Major.....	14
#A.Maplesden Not Out	18
T.Gadsby Not Out	13
*B.Willsher DNB.....	
N.Saeed DNB.....	
Extras	17
Total (for 7 wkts).....	222

OTTERY ST. MARY C.C.	
Z.Carstairs b Wood.....	25
C.Nancekivell b Saeed.....	35
B.Major lbw b H.Gadsby.....	21
J.Buckland lbw b Saeed.....	0
T.Prismall c Andrews b H.Gadsby	10
J.Randall b H.Gadsby	5
G.Prismall b Malik	2
M.Thomas c Harris b Willsher	2
A.Clements Not Out	58
T.Jeacock c Wood b Saeed	36
S.Brandon Not Out	1
Extras	16
Total (for 9 wkts)	211

Bowling: #Maplesden 6-1-26-0; *Willsher 8-0-43-1; Wood 6-1-20-1; Saeed 8-1-39-3; H.Gadsby 5-0-13-3; Harris 3-0-20-0; Malik 8-0-45-1.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN



INCOGNITI C.C. v SIDBURY C.C.

Sidbury CC won the toss and elected to field. Ed Chester the Sidbury Captain was very clear in his upfront declaration to me as Tour Manager they had some gun bats in certain positions. Well in fact Sidbury had gun bats in a number of strategic positions all the way through their line up and none other than Alex Paget whose 38 runs off 17 balls at the end clearly displayed their depth and prowess as a Club side who have grown in strength from last season's friendly fixture side and, who, this weekend gained promotion to the next rung of the Devon cricket league structure. Well done Sidbury.

In the end Sidbury ran out winners by 2 wickets in a closely fought game. A declaration game was agreed with 20 overs from 6pm. Harry Gadsby was the Incogniti captain. Incogniti started reasonably slowly. The track was firm with a hint of turn. Not a lot but the outfield was lush and well mowed. Conal Clarke was out first for 4 followed by Nav Malik for 14. Incogniti were 23-2. Nav Saeed got a snorter of a ball from the Sidbury paceman West which nipped back and Dan Kite after a watchful innings was out for 29. So in the 17th over Incogniti were 83-4. A precarious position.

Alec Clarke came in at 5 and the young Berkhamsted 4th XI player looked as good as any player in the middle. He hit the Aussie overseas for a couple of delightful fours. The first off his hips down behind square and the second a wonderfully timed off-drive. Add to that three further boundaries and Alec finished on 21 coming in at a time of the innings where there was pressure on him to stay at the crease but push the score on.

The innings was, however, held together by Finn Harris who scored a brutal 101 not out and Hugo Murray a candidate 58 not out. Harris looked impressive against both the pace and spin from Sidbury with Harris hitting 19 fours and 2 sixes in his 60 ball hundred. Murray hit 10 fours in his 63 ball fifty and they took Incogniti to a score of 248 for 5 wickets before skipper Gadsby declared after Harris' hundred on 39.2 overs.

Sidbury in return started slowly like Incogniti's batting innings. Ollie Wood and Anthony Maplesden combined well opening the bowling. Sidbury were 9-2 in the 9th over. Tony Wood came on first change with his left arm orthodox spin and took the wicket of Trawford LBW while Maplesden bowled Bishop. Sidbury's 3 & 4 batters played a solid game both building an innings.

Lines was run out by Maplesden who had just dropped a catch off Ollie Wood. With his quick thinking he launched the ball into the keeper's end and the run out was completed by Clarke. Bidder on the other hand hit some well timed fours and sixes showing his pedigree and reasons why he had previously played his cricket for Sidmouth as a Premier Devon player. He was out bowled by Ollie Wood for 68.

With the score on 205 for 5 in the 36th over and only 44 overs possible as Incogniti raced round just before the drinks to get an extra 2 overs in for the home side every possible permutation of win, loss, draw or even tie was on the cards. Sidbury then had a collapse losing 3 wickets in quick succession to the off-spin bowling of Nav Saeed and Dan Kite. So at 206 for 8 after 37.4 overs surely the advantage was with Incogniti.

Enter Alex Paget who we knew hit a big ball a long way and he held it together for Sidbury to do just that. A series of straight drives over long on, long off and over the River Otter were sufficient to claim the win for Sidbury. The unlucky bowler Dan Kite did exactly what was asked of him which was to keep offering it up and go for the wickets and win.

So Sidbury finished winners by 2 wickets chasing down the Incogniti total with a score of 252 for 8 wickets off 42.3 overs. A thoroughly enjoyable game had by all. We enjoyed the company of Sidbury after the game and then retired to the Firehouse in Exeter for some beers and their infamous 2ft x 2ft square pizzas.

Tony Wood

Played at Sidbury C.C. on 21st August 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		SIDBURY C.C.	
N.Malik lbw b Armes.....	14	M.Bishop b Maplesden.....	2
*C.Clarke b Armes	4	R.Trawford lbw b A.G.Wood.....	7
D.Kite b Lines.....	29	D.Lines Run Out	46
N.Saeed b West.....	2	W.Bidder b O.Wood.....	68
A.Clarke c Armes b West.....	21	J.West Not Out	35
F.Harris Not Out	101	S.Astley-Jones c Kite b Saeed	22
#H.Murray Not Out.....	58	S.Crick b Saeed	1
H.Gadsby DNB		S.Hall c Saeed b Kite.....	1
*B.Willsher DNB.....		D.Armes c Harris b Kite	0
#A.Maplesden DNB.....		A.Paget Not Out	38
O.Wood DNB		E.Chester DNB	
Extras	19	Extras	32
Total (for 5 wkts)	248	Total (for 8 wkts)	252

Bowling: O.Wood 8-2-31-1; #Maplesden 8-3-30-1; A.G.Wood 8-1-28-1; *Willsher 5-0-52-0; Gadsby 4-0-28-0; Saeed 5-0-23-2; Kite 3.3-0-44-2.

RESULT : LOST BY 2 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C.C. v TIPTON ST. JOHN C.C.

Tipton mauled by Incogniti Good fielding display by Tipton in vain

Tipton were honoured to host the nomadic touring side Incogniti for the third time. They were formed in 1861 so are a tad older than our 150 years. The teams assembled under leaden skies that thankfully did not deliver, unlike the car containing the freshly prepared teas that whizzed up the path just before the start, piloted by John Buckland.

It was decided that Incogniti would bat first which they did with Harry Gadsby and Ollie Wood who faced David Birch and Dave Alford. A maiden from Birch to Gadsby allowed the late running Buckland with to don his whites on the boundary and join the match. Wood got way first ball, but Gadsby had to wait for his 14th before he scored a 2. Birch struck the first blow for Tipton trapping Wood LBW for 3 in the 4th over.

Anthony Maplesden replaced him and was unsettled by the accuracy of Birch, which saw a few balls miss bat and stumps. He foretold his own fate to the fielders around the bat and contributed to it by advancing down the wicket to a ball from Birch and was stumped by a country mile by Dave Thayre for a 7 ball duck.

A sprinkling of fine drizzle saw the ball wiping cloths in action for a few overs but this soon abated. Harry Gadsby and Ben Wilshire survived another 10 overs although both had narrow escapes. Reece Whittington just got his fingers to a ball from Gadsby at short mid-off and John Buckland could not

grasp a ball at his feet at mid-wicket, but then he was only warming up. Alford bowled 6 overs from the river end (0-27) and was replaced by Arthur Coles, whilst Birch completed his full 8 with impressive figures of 2-10 with Phil Wright taking over. Wright did not start well with a Gadsby boundary followed by 3 singles. However, this probably gave Wilshere a false sense of security as he wound up to play an expansive shot to the final ball of the over, which arrived long after he expected and eventually hit leg stump. He had scored 17 off 31 balls.

This started a productive period for Tipton where 6 wickets were taken for 38 runs to put them in a good position. Tom Gadsby was next to go after facing just 5 balls, hitting out at Wright he failed to clear John Buckland at mid-wicket, but it took a good catch high over his head. Arthur Coles bowled a very good 4 over spell from the river end which cost just 9 runs. He was unlucky not to bowl Conal Clarke as the ball landed on a bail, which resulted in 2 byes.

At drinks with the sun now shining, Incogniti were 63-4. Buckland took over from Coles and took a wicket with his first ball in unusual circumstances. Harry Gadsby's long innings ended when he edged a ball low to the left of Phil Wright at slip. His two slip catches this season were self-preservation in catching the ball before it struck him in the head, but this one involved a dive to ground level, which surprised everyone including the participant. Gadsby Jnr had scored 30 off 66 balls. Buckland followed this up in his next over when Clarke was trapped LBW for 7 as the visitors slipped to 69-6. Tony Wood and Dan Kite added a further 20 before the Wright/Buckland combination worked again, this time Buckland taking a running catch at mid-wicket to remove Kite for 7.

Mike Bennett replaced Buckland and took his first Tipton wicket since 1988 when Finn Harris unwisely picked out Buckland at mid-wicket with the first ball he faced giving Buckland the 3rd catch of the innings. Wright's spell ended having taken 3-22 and was replaced by Arthur Coles. 90-8 was the good as it was going to get for Tipton as a late rally added a further 57 with Tony Wood doing most of the damage. He reached his 50 with a six and a four off Buckland, the second shot endangering the ball searchers from the first. However, he was dismissed off the next ball when top edging high behind keeper Thayre who sprinted back towards the boundary and intercepted it as it fell. Wood had scored 55 off 52 balls to switch the momentum of the match.

The final pair of Ian Robertson and Alec Clarke did even more damage with 11 runs each as Incogniti closed on 160-9. Buckland ended with 3-36 and Coles 0-37, but bowled better than those figures suggest as he came under the late assault by the batsmen. A great tea awaited provided by Helen Buckland and laid out by Luke Phillips and Jem Gillham (and possibly others)

To say that Tipton's reply did not go well would be a bit of an understatement. Full credit must be given to the bowling and slip catching by the Incogniti players who shop Tipton out for a miserable 47 runs. Tom Jeacock was the first victim of Anthony Maplesden's great opening spell when he was bowled for a single in the 2nd over. Fellow opener Brendan Coles was caught at slip by Dan Kite off Finn Harris for 4 before two more wickets fell in the 5th over. Maplesden too the crucial wicket of John Buckland when bowling him for 2 and Mike Bennett went first ball, also bowled.

Reece Whittington and Arthur Coles made a partial recovery with a partnership of 25, but then all hell broke loose. Whittington had reached 11 when he edged a ball from Tom Gadsby to Finn Harris at slip, then Coles was caught by Maplesden off Ian Robinson for the same score.

Dave Thayre became Harris's 2nd victim at slip off Tom Gadsby having scored 3 and Amelia Tolley followed him 4 balls later, trapped LBW for a single. Gadsby made it three wickets in an over when Birch was caught via a bit of juggling in the slips first ball with Harris claiming his 3rd catch.

At 43-9 Tipton were in danger of matching their poor score against Bakers earlier in the season. However, a leg bye and a single to Phil Wright avoided that. Dave Alford batted with intent with some adventurous air shots which suggested the last wicket partnership would not be long keeping the players from the Golden Lion. Wright avoided the Tom Gadsby hat-trick at the beginning of the following over with all fielders clustered around the bat.

After facing 5 balls from Ian Robinson without scoring in the 19th over, a big swipe by Alford was unsuccessful, but his pads prevented him from being bowled, but not dismissed for LBW by Jem

Gillham's upraised finger. Tipton were therefore all out for just 47. Tom Gadsby 4-6, Anthony Maplesden 3-12 and Ian Robinson 2-5 took the bowling honours.
 The John Williamson Tipton player of the match went to Phil Wright for his 3 wickets and rather good catch!



Back LR – N.Bygrave (Scorer), F.Harris, D.Kite, A.Wood (Capt), T.Gadsby, O.Wood, I.Robinson, C.Dean (Umpire)
 Front L-R A.Clarke, C.Clarke, B.Wilshere, A.Maplesden, T.Gadsby

Played at Tipton St. John C.C.on 22nd August 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.			TIPTON ST. JOHN C.C.		
H.Gadsby c Wright b Buckland	30		T.Jeacock b Maplesden	1	
O.Wood lbw b Birch	3		B.Coles c Kite b Harris	4	
#A.Maplesden st Thayre b Birch	0		R.Whittington c Kite b T.Gadsby	11	
*B.Willsher b Wright	17		J.Buckland b Maplesden	2	
T.Gadsby c Buckland b Wright	1		M.Bennett b Maplesden	0	
*C.Clarke lbw b Buckland	7		A.Coles c Maplesden b Robinson	11	
A.G.Wood c Thayre b Buckland	55		D.Thayre c Kite b T.Gadsby	3	
D.Kite c Buckland b Wright	7		D.Alford lbw b Robinson	1	
F.Harris c Buckland b Bennett	0		A.Tolley lbw b T.Gadsby	1	
I.Robinson Not Out	11		D.Birch c Kite b T.Gadsby	0	
A.Clarke Not Out	11		P.Wright Not Out	2	
Extras	18		Extras	11	
Total (for 9 wkts)	160		Total	47	

Bowling: Harris 6-0-18-1; #Maplesden 6-1-12-3; T.Gadsby 4-0-6-4; Robinson 4-1-5-2.

RESULT : WON BY 113 RUNS

INCOGNITI C.C. v CHISWICK C.C.

Played at Chiswick C.C.on 1st September 2024:-

COMPLETE SCORECARD NOT SUBMITTED.

RESULT : LOST BY 11 RUNS

INCOGNITI C.C v GUARDS C.C.

Played at Burton Court on 9th September 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		GUARDS C.C.	
F.Harris c Vaughan b Paynter	12	O.Greaves c De Coteau b Iqbal	7
#I.Khattak c Newton b R.Thompson .	62	H.Vaughan b Beldon	2
#A.Ajgaonkar c Wall b Paynter	0	M.Paynter c De Coteau b Iqbal.....	9
#A.Ali b J.Thompson.....	2	G.Williams st Harris b Beldon.....	2
H.De Coteau c Wall b R.Thompson...	3	G.Newton c Iqbal b De Coteau.....	17
*S.Mughal c Vaughan b Greaves	40	J.Benson c Beldon b Malik	8
H.Rogers Not Out	18	B.Kendall c Khattak b Malik	0
#F.Beldon b Greaves.....	0	D.Wall b De Coteau	4
*A.Iqbal Not Out	4	R.Bond b Ali	2
N Saeed DNB.....		R.Thompson b De Coteau	4
N.Malik DNB.....		J.Thompson Not Out	0
Extras	16	Extras	1
Total (for 7 wkts).....	157	Total	56

Bowling:#Beldon 2-0-20-2; *Iqbal 3-1-3-2; Malik 4-0-21-2; De Coteau 3-0-12-3; #Ali 0.5-0-0-1.

WON BY 101 RUNS

ROMANIA MINI-TOUR

We embarked on our second tour to Bucharest (Romania), arriving on Wednesday 25th September, and we all booked into the lovely Ganzo Hotel in central Bucharest. Our new guest on tour Nilesh Patel had already arrived before us, giving us insights into the best local restaurants. We had some new guest tourists who also joined us, Shahid Mughal, Asif Ali and Azeem Ahmed.

Thursday 26th September.

After a good night's sleep, we had prearranged a day out at the local spa, well the Europe's biggest Spa & Wellness centre thanks to Ali Pervaiz who recommended and booked tickets for all of us. With amazing pools, saunas, and relaxation areas we all had an enjoyable day out.

Friday 27th September 24: Moara Vlasiei Cricket Ground Bucharest:

Our first T20 game was scheduled for 3pm with most of us managing to take a trip into town and do some shopping early in the day. We arrived at the ground in good time and saw the opposition Romanian Bears preparing and practising for the game. The oppo won the toss and batted first and scored 171 for 9 in 20 overs. Incogs managed 153/6, falling short by 18 runs.

Saturday 28th September.

Incogs were scheduled to play two T20 games today therefore we had an early start. Meet time was 9am with a 10am start!

With all the players fresh from their prep work from the day before, Incogs won the toss and decided to bat first, the first game being against a combined league Romanian XI. Incogs managed to score 215/5 with Imi Khan scoring 109 in 59 balls aided by contributions from Asif Ali and Perry Pearce. We managed to restrict the Romanian Combined XI to 188/6 with Nav Saeed pick of the bowlers taking two wickets.

After a lovely lunch provided by our host, the Romanian Cricket President gave a speech giving us an insight of the history of the ground and cricket being played in Romania. We also had the head of ICC development in Europe come down to have a look at the facilities and Incogs reputation. He was impressed!

The second T20 game was a closer affair playing a Romanian XI. Incogs again won the toss and decided to bat scoring 161 for 4, with Imi Khan in the runs again with 48 and runs also from Asif Ali and Azeem Ahmed. The oppo managed to chase down the score in the 19th over for the loss of only two wickets. After a tiring day, some of the boys decided to go out to a local casino, some not returning until early hours of the morning!

Sunday 29th September.

Today we played a combined Romanian XI, the oppo scoring 184 for 5 in 20 overs. Unfortunately Incogs could only manage 109 all out in 15.4 overs which was a disappointing end of a great tour. The late night out resulted in some tired bodies and minds!

Overall, a great thank you to Abdul Shakoor who was a great host in arranging the ground, facilities, and great opposition. We certainly had another great tour.

Nav Saeed

INCOGNITI C.C. v ROMANIAN BEARS XI

Played at Moara Vlasiei Cricket Ground, Bucharest on 27th September 2024:-

ROMANIAN BEARS		INCOGNITI C.C.	
B.Ahmed b Pearce.....	32	I.Khan c Ahmed b Gill	13
N.Syed c Pearce b Mason	56	#A.Ali b Singh.....	13
R.Gill b Pearce.....	0	T.R.G.Mason c Gabriel b Jaspreet	21
S.Alam b Pearce.....	0	S.Bowry b Kumar.....	1
R.Kumar st Pearce b Wakeford	16	P.Pearce c Doekhie b Jaspreet	13
Jaspreet b Malik.....	0	A.Smith Not Out	45
S.Gabriel c Malik b Mason	8	#S.Ahmed c Gabriel b Shakoor	9
A.Shakoor c Saeed b Wakeford	29	D.Boothroyd Not Out.....	31
I.Doekhie b Khan	5	B.Wakeford DNB.....	
S.Singh Not Out	7	N.Saeed DNB.....	
.....		K.Balasubramaniam DNB.....	
.....		N.Malik DNB.....	
Extras	18	Extras	7
Total (for 9 wickets)	171	Total (for 6 wickets).....	153

Bowling: Malik 4-0-44-1; Smith 3-0-21-0; Mason 3-0-24-2; Saeed 3-0-33-0; Pearce 2-0-19-3; Wakeford 2-0-13-2; Khan 2-0-16-1.

RESULT : LOST BY 18 RUNS

INCOGNITI C.C. v ROMANIA XI

Played at Moara Vlasiei Cricket Ground, Bucharest on 28th September 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		ROMANIA XI	
*S.Mughal b Jassi	18	T.Udara c Arnould b Khan	67
#A.Ali b Saood	31	M.Mohammad c Mughal b Arnould.....	59
#A.Ahmed Not Out.....	27	P.Florin Not Out.....	17
N.Malik b Kumar.....	10	S.Saood Not Out.....	7
I.Khan b Safi.....	48	V.Sharma DNB	
A.Pervaiz Not Out.....	4	R.Kumar DNB.....	
N.Saeed DNB.....		S.Singh DNB.....	
P.S.Arnould DNB		U.Safi DNB.....	
P.Pearce DNB.....		W.Ahmed DNB.....	
S.Bowry DNB.....		R.Jassi DNB	
#N.Patel DNB.....		V.Thathsara DNB.....	
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Extras	17	Extras	12
Total (for 6 wickets)	177	Total (for 5 wickets).....	179

Bowling: Khan 4-0-32-1; #Ali 4-0-47-0; Arnould 4-0-32-1; *Mughal 3-0-29-0; Saeed 4-0-17-0; #Patel 0.2-0-4-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 8 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C.C. v ROMANIA XI

Played at Moara Vlasiei Cricket Ground, Bucharest on 28th September 2024:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		ROMANIA XI	
I.Khan Not Out.....	109	T.Udara c Mughal b Patel.....	99
#N.Patel c Udara b Mohammad	0	M.Mohammad c Ali b Malik.....	19
#A.Ali b Jassi.....	30	M.Koli c Khan b Bowry	37
P.Pearce c & b Thathsara	20	W.Ahmed c Saeed b Bowry.....	10
*S.Mughal c Jassi b Singh.....	9	V.Sharma b Saeed	3
A.Pervaiz st Udara b David.....	7	R.Jassi c Patel b Saeed.....	0
#A.Ahmed Not Out.....	5	Q.Khan Not Out	0
N.Saeed DNB.....		P.Florin Not Out	9
P.S.Arnould DNB		S.Singh DNB	
N.Malik DNB.....		A.David DNB.....	
S.Bowry DNB.....		V.Thathsara DNB.....	
Extras	35	Extras	11
Total (for 5 wickets)	215	Total (for 6 wkts)	188

Bowling: Saeed 4-0-32-2; Malik 4-0-45-1; Arnould 4-0-38-0; #Patel 4-0-31-1; Khan 2-0-18-0.
Bowry 2-0-16-2.

RESULT : WON BY 27 RUNS

INCOGNITI C.C. v ROMANIA XI

Played at Moara Vlasiei Cricket Ground, Bucharest on 29th September 2024:-

ROMANIA XI		INCOGNITI C.C.	
A.Kaka st Pearce b Ali.....	42	*S.Mughal b Vashisht	29
I.Ringku c Arnould b Ali	37	N.Saeed c Haider b Khadka.....	1
P.Kumar st Pearce b Ali	15	#A.Ali c Khadka b Manani.....	20
S.Vashisht Retired Hurt	54	#A.Ahmed c Koli b Warsi	9
I.Haider Run Out.....	15	S.Bowry b Vashisht.....	0
P.Florin Not Out.....	7	P.Pearce b Manani.....	26
A.Karthikeyan c Ali b Bowry.....	1	A.Pervaiz c Khadka b Warsi.....	3
I.Warsi Not Out.....	2	N.Malik c Kumar b Karthikeyan	0
M.Koli DNB		I.Khan lbw b Karthikeyan	0
V.Manani DNB		P.S.Arnould Not Out	7
J.Khadka DNB		#N.Patel b Karthikeyan	2
Extras	35	Extras	12
Total (for 5 wickets)	215	Total	109

Bowling: Saeed 2-0-21-0; *Mughal 3-0-15-0; Khan 1-0-15-0; Arnould 3-0-49-0; #Ali 4-0-22-3.
Malik 4-0-33-0; Bowry 3-0-29-1.

RESULT : LOST BY 75 RUNS

BATTING AVERAGES OF MEMBERS

(QUALIFICATION: 3 COMPLETED INNINGS)

	Matches	Inns.	N.O.	Runs	H.S.	Avg	C.	St.
I. Khan.....	12	11	3	303	109*	37.88	4	
A.G. Wood.....	9	9	2	211	55	30.14	1	
F. Harris.....	9	9	1	230	101*	28.75	11	3
H. Nadir.....	4	4	0	114	57	28.50		
H. Gadsby.....	7	6	0	171	66	28.50	2	
S. Bowry.....	14	12	3	208	57	23.11	1	
D. Kite.....	3	3	0	62	29	20.67	1	
P. Pearce.....	5	4	0	79	26	19.75	1	3
N. Malik.....	14	11	1	188	27	18.80	1	
O. Wood.....	7	6	1	85	49*	17.00	5	
S. Eyre.....	4	3	0	44	41	14.67	1	
N. Saeed.....	21	10	4	39	27	6.50	7	
H. De Coteau.....	3	3	0	6	3	2.00	3	

The following Members also played. B. Birtles (0,52*), E. Ince (47,37), A. Clarke (21,11*), A. Smith (3,15,45*), T.R.G. Mason (21), J. Andrews (2 x dnb, 6*,14,1c), H. Rogers (0,16,18*,2c), R. Harris (0,22), T. Gadsby (8,13*,1), R. Sehmi (7), A. Pervaiz (4*,7,3), D. Boothroyd (31*), P.S. Arnould (7*,2c), I. Robinson (11*), T.M. Sims (0*).

BOWLING AVERAGES OF MEMBERS

(QUALIFICATION: 5 WICKETS)

	Overs	M'dns	Runs	Wkts.	Avg.
A.G. Wood.....	17	1	96	6	16.00
H. Gadsby.....	19	0	88	6	14.67
S. Bowry.....	20	1	154	6	25.67
O.Wood.....	32	4	130	5	26.00
I. Khan.....	45	2	264	10	26.40
H. De Coteau.....	23	0	134	5	26.80
N. Malik.....	99	4	383	13	29.46
N.Saeed.....	78	5	392	13	30.15

Also bowled. E. Ince (5-0-23-0), A. Smith (3-0-21-0), H. Rogers (2-0-14-0), J. Andrews (2-0-16-0), T. Gadsby 4-0-6-4), I. Robinson (4-1-5-2), P. Pearce (2-0-19-3), B. Wakeford (2-0-13-2), T.R.G. Mason (3-0-24-2), D. Kite (3-0-44-2), B. Birtles (17-2-71-3), R. Harris (3-0-26-1), R. Sehmi (5-0-33-1), F. Harris (9-0-38-1), H. Nadir (14-0-84-2), S. Eyre (10-0-69-1), P.S. Arnould (11-0-119-1).

BATTING AVERAGES OF CANDIDATES

WHO HAVE BEEN ELECTED MEMBERS

Matches Innings N.O. Runs H.S. Avge. C. ST.

C. Clarke	3	3	0	51	40	17.00	
*B. West.....	2	2	0	122	101	61.00	1
B. Willsher	3	1	0	17	17	17.00	
A. Gill	4	3	0	71	47	23.67	
S. Mughal	10	9	1	174	49	21.75	
D. Grahame	3	3	0	43	23	14.33	5
A. Iqbal.....	19	7	3	31	16*	7.75	

BOWLING AVERAGES OF CANDIDATES

WHO HAVE BEEN ELECTED MEMBERS

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wickets	Average
*B. West.....	12	0	49	1	49.00
B. Willsher	13	0	95	1	95.00
S. Mughal	53	5	223	4	55.75
A. Iqbal.....	50	7	198	9	22.00

The following candidates have been deleted:

C. Creighton, M. Jackson, T. Newell, J. Wood, G. Radhakrishnan.

* Elected on 'fast-track' basis at Committee's discretion.

NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCES

BATTING

I. Khan	109*	v Romania
F. Harris.....	101*	v Sidbury
*B. West	101	v John Lyon School
H. Gadsby	66	v Datchet
#A. Ajgaonkar	64	v Trowbridge
#I. Khattak	62	v Guards
#H. Murray	58*	v Sidbury
#C. Aarons.....	58	v Hurlingham Club
S. Bowry	57	v Datchet
H. Nadir	57	v Cross Arrows
H. Gadsby	55	v Maidenhead & Bray
A.G. Wood.....	55	v Tipton St. John
B. Birtles.....	52*	v John Lyon School
F. Harris.....	52	v Ottery St. Mary
#R. Relton.....	50	v Tiffin Tercels

BOWLING

#F. Wilshire	5 for 58	v Oratory School
#Z. Khan.....	4 for 3	v Cross Arrows
T. Gadsby.....	4 for 6	v Tipton St. John

Safeguarding Policy Statement

Incogniti Cricket Club (The Club) is committed to ensuring all Children (i.e all persons under the age of 18) participating in cricket have a safe and positive experience. We will do this by:

Recognising all children participating in cricket (regardless of age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, ability or disability) have the right to have fun and be protected from harm in a safe environment.

Ensuring individuals working within cricket at, or for, our club provide a welcoming, safe, and fun experience for children.

Adopting and implementing the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) “Safe Hands – Cricket’s Policy for Safeguarding Children” and any future versions of this.

Appointing a Club Welfare Officer and ensuring they attend all current and future training modules required by the ECB.

Ensuring all people who work in cricket at, or for, our club (such as staff, officials, volunteers, team managers, coaches and so on) have a responsibility for safeguarding children, and understand how the “Safe Hands Policy” applies to them.

Ensuring all individuals working within cricket at, or for, the club are recruited and appointed in accordance with ECB guidelines and relevant legislation.

Ensuring all individuals working within cricket at, or for, the club are provided with support, through education and training, so they are aware of, and can adhere to, good practice and Code of Conduct guidelines defined by the ECB, and the club.

Ensuring the name and contact details of the Club Welfare Officer is available:

As the first point of contact for parents, children and volunteers/staff within the club.

As a local source of procedural advice for the club, its committee and members.

As the main point of contact within the club for the ECB County Welfare Officer and the ECB Safeguarding Team.

As the main point of contact within the club for relevant external agencies in connection with child safeguarding.

Ensuring correct and comprehensive reporting procedures exist for raising and managing child safeguarding concerns.

Providing an environment where the views of children, parents and volunteers are sought and welcomed on a range of issues. This will help us create an environment where people have the opportunity to voice any concerns (about possible suspected child abuse/neglect, and/or about poor practice) to the Club Welfare Officer. Details of the County Welfare Officer will be made available, in case the Club Welfare officer is unavailable, or the concern relates to the Club Welfare officer.

Ensuring all suspicions concerns and allegations are taken seriously and dealt with swiftly and appropriately.

Ensuring access to confidential information relating to child safeguarding matters is restricted to those who need to know in order to safeguard children – including the Club Welfare Officer and the appropriate external authorities, such as the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO), as specified within ECB child safeguarding procedures.

Code Of Conduct For Cricket Club Members, Candidates and Guests

All Members, Candidates and Guests of Incogniti Cricket club, including all members and officers, as well as individuals who watch/attend/participate/officiate in matches, will:

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person within the context of cricket.

Treat everyone equally and not discriminate on the grounds of age, gender, disability, race, ethnic origin, nationality, colour, parental or marital status, religious belief, class or social background, sexual preference or political belief.

Not condone, or allow to go unchallenged, any form of discrimination if witnessed.

Display high standards of behaviour.

Promote the positive aspects of cricket, for example fair play.

Encourage all participants to learn the Laws and rules and play within them, always respecting the decisions of match officials.

Actively discourage unfair play, rule violations and arguing with match officials.

Recognise good performance not just match results.

Place the well-being and safety of children above the development of performance.

Ensure activities are appropriate for the age, maturity, experience and ability of the individual.

Respect children's opinions when making decisions about their participation in cricket.

Not smoke, drink or use banned substances while working with children in the club.

Not provide children with alcohol when they are under the care of the club.

Follow ECB guidelines set out in the "Safe Hands – Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children" and any other relevant guidelines issued.

Report any concerns in relation to a child, following reporting procedures laid down by the ECB.

In addition, all club officials and appointed volunteers will:

Have been appropriately vetted, if required.

Hold relevant qualifications and be covered by appropriate insurance.

Always work in an open environment (i.e. avoid private, or unobserved, situations and encourage an open environment) NB This includes the online world – club officers and volunteers are actively discouraged from online or other electronic communication with children – any such communication should be via parents.

Know and understand the ECB's "Safe Hands – Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children".

Develop an appropriate working relationship with young players, based on mutual trust and respect.

Ensure physical contact is appropriate and necessary and is carried out within recommended guidelines with the young player's full consent and approval.

Not engage in any form of sexually related contact with a young player.

Attend appropriate training to keep up to date with their role, especially with respect to the safeguarding of children.

Privacy Policy Statement

Incogniti Cricket Club (the Club) is a nomadic cricket club and golfing society. We primarily operate within the UK and are bound by the principles of privacy contained in the Data Protection Act 1998, and the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) EU Laws.

The Club holds personal information on existing members, freely supplied by them when they applied to join the Club. The data which is stored is used to support the primary purpose of the Club which is to arrange, organize and deliver cricket or golf events, including the club's Annual General Meeting. This personal information may include the following:

- Full Name, Contact details such as email address, postal address and telephone numbers.
- Gender
- Date of Birth (only where necessary for our welfare obligations)
- Cricketing or Golfing ability (such as performance statistics)

This personal information is recorded and kept for all members on our Membership database, which is currently provided and hosted by Hitssports Ltd on secure servers within the European Union. The database is administered by authorised club members. Members' names and performance statistics are published on the website and visible to non-members, however all other personal information such as contact details are only accessible by other subscribed members of the club, via the club's annual Scores and Averages booklet, or via a login and password to the Club's website.

In order for the Club to operate effectively, the personal information of its Officers, Executive Committee members and key postholders including match managers, umpires and scorers is made available to the membership and third parties via the Club website and the Club's Annual Fixture List.

In certain cases Members' personal information may be supplied to third-parties where it is essential in order to fulfil the Club's primary function as a nomadic cricket club – for example where the names and details of players are required to be supplied to oppositions for security reasons.

The Club protects the personal information it holds from misuse, loss, unauthorised access, modification or disclosure by various means including password access and secure servers.

The Club endeavours to ensure that the personal information it holds is accurate, complete and up-to-date.

Members can access and update their own personal data via logging in to the Club's website, or by application to or contact with the Membership Secretary.

Incogniti CC will presume that any individual who is a fully subscribed member is willing for his or her personal information to be kept on the Club database, and shared internally or externally via the club's website, fixture list and annual scores and averages booklet, unless the Club hears from them to the contrary.

Members may 'opt out' from this presumed consent by contacting the Honorary Secretary and requesting that their personal information not be published in the aforementioned media, or indeed deleted entirely.

Should any Club member have any enquiries or wish to provide feedback about this policy, please contact the club's Honorary Secretary.