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Incogniti C.C. Roll of Honour at Lord's

They shall grow not old,
As we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun,
And in the morning,
We will remember them.

For the Fallen by Laurence Binyon 1915.



Incogs at Cross Arrows Dinner by Memorial Board.

CAPT. THEODORE WRIGHT V.C.
15th May 1883 – 14th September 1914



Capt. Wright received his Victoria Cross during the retreat from Mons in August 1914. On the 23rd August 1914, a company of Royal Scots Fusiliers were attempting to defend a barricade at the north end of a bridge over the Mons-Condé Canal. A retreat had been called due to the severity of enemy fire and a Corp. Alfred Jarvis of the Royal Engineers had been instructed to blow the bridge but hadn't the required exploder and leads. Jarvis met Capt. Wright who, suffering from a head wound, told him to return to the bridge and he would bring the equipment. It was whilst trying to connect the leads that Wright won his V.C. as, after several attempts in which he was exposed to enemy fire, he lost his grip through exhaustion and fell into the canal where he was rescued. Corp. Jarvis also won the V.C. for his part in the action.

On the 14th September at Vailly, Capt. Wright was assisting the 5th Cavalry Brigade in crossing over a pontoon bridge when he was mortally wounded while trying to assist wounded men to shelter.

The London Gazette of 16th November 1914 printed the following citation:

“For gallantry at Mons on 23rd August 1914 in attempting to connect up the lead to demolish a bridge under heavy fire, although wounded in the head he made a second attempt. At Vailly on 14th September 1914, he assisted the passage of 5th Cavalry Brigade over the pontoon bridge and was mortally wounded whilst assisting wounded men into shelter”.

Theodore Wright was educated at Clifton College and represented the Royal Engineers at cricket between 1903-14 and played for the Army in 1906. He was a member of Incogniti C.C. and is commemorated on the Roll of Honour in the Lord's Pavilion.



Capt. Theodore Wright's medals.

FROM THE PRESIDENT
2018 SEASON
(157th Season)

I am pleased to be able to put in writing that the club gives every impression of being in good heart. Although, again, we had a somewhat difficult year organisationally, those at the helm pulled together and lessons have been learned and acted upon. There remains a keenness to tour amongst our players and supporters and that will manifest itself in this year's fixtures and next year's.

There continues to be a change of 'the old guard' with the stepping down of John Trumper from the organisation of the golfing section of the club. John has looked after our golf for about 45 years and the success of it has been thanks to his efforts and contacts. There will be an opportunity for the club to thank him at our Summer Meeting at New Zealand GC on 3rd July. Peter Crowcroft steps into his shoes but, as can be seen, he takes over a very limited golfing calendar.

The club's support of the Cross Arrows Dinner at Lord's reminded me that on our War Memorial in the Pavilion we have mention of a VC, Capt. Theodore Wright. As we have not had many with this accolade I asked Peter Wiseman to do a piece on him for this publication. He has done an excellent job and this appears on an earlier page.

I will take the opportunity, as usual, to thank Tom Wakeford and his team of Officers and Committee Members for their time and enthusiasm. Their efforts are responsible for the continued health of the club both in terms of the cricket we play and our sociability off the field.

I wish all members, whether playing or supporting, an enjoyable summer aided, we hope, by good cricketing weather.

Nick Gibbs
President.

Honorary Cricket Secretary's Report 2018

Firstly, arrangements for the coming season:

Please use the website to register your availability as a player. Increasingly, Match Managers are turning to the website first. The website means a manager can pick a team without waiting to hear from players or having to phone around. Of course, if players have contacted the Manager directly so he has your name in his back pocket, that's great. Even then, it would be sensible to use the website as well. Please keep your availabilities up-to-date as all of it becomes much easier with good communication!

It probably wasn't very sporting to start with admin rather than talk of Incogniti's cricket, but it is important and so deserved to be put up top.

In 2018 we saw another successful season with many more highs than lows. Thanks must go to Norm for another successful pre-season tour to Cape Town. Then, back in the UK, we started slowly and our 'term-time' fixtures against schools could particularly do with availabilities being flagged up early. We need to support these games better if we are to keep them!

Unusually, we didn't have a win in England until the 16th game of the season, and then won 10 out of our last 15 games! We particularly enjoyed a high-quality game against Free Foresters (and are glad to have put an end to the losing streak with a good win!) whilst our Cross Arrows victory was also the first for a while - another excellent encounter. Jim Green kindly managed the two-day Royal Navy game for the first time, which featured a 200+ partnership.

Thanks must also go to Tony Wood, who resuscitated the Western Tour and hopes he will have the support of more members this year now that it is an established fixture and firmly on the calendar. Thanks also to Jon Andrews for another successful Mid-West Tour; he nobly supported us on the field as well despite the fracture in his hand.

For the 2019 season we also have reinstated a mini-tour to Jersey and we hope to extend it in future years. Looking further ahead, we are exploring the possibilities of a longer and balmy out-of-season tour in 2020.

We have a full season lined up with a healthy influx of new members who are strong cricketers and great people to play cricket with. This includes a number of younger players who will hopefully enjoy Incogniti cricket for many years to come. It is good to see opening bowlers steaming in with the combined age of 35. It is also good to see sons and fathers playing in the same team, and these younger cricketers on the same pitch as players who have been a strong part of Incogs for many years and who are, of course, central to the Club's identity and ethos.

In short, Incogniti Cricket Club is very much 'open for business' and would most welcome further new candidates in the coming months.

**Tom Whyte
Honorary Cricket Secretary
Incogniti Cricket Club**

A potted History of the Incogniti

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.



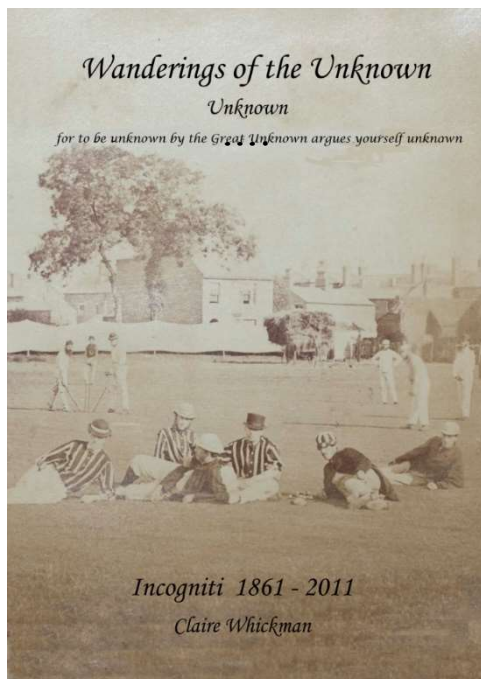
Bass was a prodigious wicket taker in the first 20 years

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 an recognisable 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 (13)

Groot Drakenstein
Garden Old Boys
Claremont
North London
Trowbridge
Honourable Artillery Company
Free Foresters
Stoics
Merstham
Cross Arrows
Old Hors (Balkan Bash 1)
Varianault (Balkan Bash 2)
New Victoria (Balkan Bash Final)

Lost (13)

Scorpions
Western Province
Cape Town
Dulwich College
Royal Household
Oratory School
Maidenhead & Bray
Budleigh Salterton
Wiltshire Queries
Malmesbury
Hinton Charterhouse
Chiswick
Tiffin Tercels

Drawn (9)

Jesus College
Hampshire Hogs
Royal Navy
Merstham
Millers
Old Leightonians
Ottery St. Mary
Beckenham
Highgate

No Play (2)

Mill Hill School
Sandhurst Wanderers

Total Matches Played 2018

35

Matches Played 1861 - 2018

Total 7961 Won 2907 Lost 2368 Drawn 2649 Tied 19

Notes.

1. Candidates are shown with a star (*) before their names.
2. Guests are shown with a hash (#) before their names.

INCOGNITI C. C. v SCORPIONS C.C.



Played at Stellenbosch on 3rd March 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		SCORPIONS C.C.	
S.King Not Out	52	G.Andre c & b Arnould	29
N.Saeed Run Out.....	19	U.Heine c Saeed b Malik.....	29
N.Malik c Andre b Van Rheese.....	41	T.Hayden b Naeem.....	63
P.Lyes c Nico b Van de Merwe.....	19	R.Nico Not Out	58
A.G.Wood c Shaun b Bosman	26	U.Johan b Ince.....	0
#F.Mushtaq Not Out	2	M.Shaun Not Out	0
*L.Dugdale DNB		R.Van Rheese DNB.....	
*E.Ince DNB		T.Van der Merwe DNB	
N.R.Dugdale DNB		K.Bosman DNB	
P.S.Arnould DNB		A.Franze DNB.....	
A.Naeem DNB.....		S.Martin DNB	
Extras.....	28	Extras	7
Total (for 4 wickets declared).....	185	Total (for 4 wickets).....	186

Bowling :Naeem 7-0-34-1; *Ince 4-0-14-1; Wood 4-0-24-0; Arnould 9-0-42-1; Malik 5-0-36-1; Saeed 3-0-23-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 6 WICKETS



INCOGNITI C.C. v WESTERN PROVINCE C.C.



Played at Rondebosch on 4th March 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		WESTERN PROVINCE C.C.	
*E.Ince c Fourie b Fraser	0	I.Van Rhyl c Dugdale b Khan.....	0
P.Lyes b Pope.....	50	N.Stevens b Khan.....	7
S.Razvi c Van Rhyl b Rosseau.....	14	A.Sell b Malik	0
A.Naem b Pope	4	C.Fourie Not Out	84
P.S.Arnould b Pope.....	17	S.Palframan LBW b Ince.....	20
*L.Dugdale b Palframan.....	13	R.Van Niekerk LBW b Saeed.....	55
S.King b Van Niekerk	32	L.Byrne Run Out	6
A.G.Wood b Fraser	10	T.Pope Not Out	15
N.Malik Run Out.....	32	C.Rosseau DNB	
I.Khan Not Out.....	1	I.Fraser DNB.....	
N.Saeed c Watson b Van Niekerk...	1	N.Watson DNB	
N.R.Dugdale DNB.....		.....
Extras	22	Extras	12
Total (for 10 wickets declared)196		Total (for 6 wickets)	199

Bowling :Khan 9-0-44-2; Malik 5-0-15-1; Naem 4-0-31-0; *Ince 6-2-17-1; N.R,Dugdale 4-0-25-0; Arnould 4-0-23-0; Saeed 3-0-15-1.

RESULT : LOST BY 4 WICKETS



INCOGNITI C.C. v CAPE TOWN C.C.



Played at Wynberg on 7th March 2018:-

INCOGNITI . C.C..		CAPE TOWN C.C.	
N.Malik c Storm b Gavin	2	Peter c Wood b Malik.....	57
A.Naeem b Graeme.....	18	Wayne b Ince.....	36
A.G.Wood b Gavin	26	Roger Run Out	31
S.Razvi Run Out	4	Storm Not Out.....	38
N.Saeed c Rehan b Wayne	28	Graeme Not Out.....	8
P.Lyes c Rob b Storm.....	16	Ian DNB	
S.King Not Out	40	Rob DNB	
#F.Mushtaq b Rob	3	Rehan DNB	
*E.Ince c Ian b Storm.....	16	Dameon DNB	
I.Khan b Rob.....	0	Alan DNB	
*L.Dugdale Not Out.....	1	Gavin DNB	
P.S.Arnould DNB.....		.....
N.Saeed DNB .....		.....
Extras.....	17	Extras	4
Total (for 9 wickets declared).....	171	Total (for 3 wickets).....	174

Bowling: Khan 5-1-23-0; Arnould 6-1-34-0; *Ince 8-1-27-1; Wood 5-0-26-0; Malik 8-0-37-1; Saeed 1-0-23-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 7 WICKETS



INCOGNITI C. C. v GROOT DRAKENSTEIN C.C.



Having lost our first 3 games on tour something had to change! Change of mind set was just go out there and be positive. Having looked at the batting order I decided with Norman (with great persuasion!) that a change of batting order was required.

With the beautiful setting in between the four mountains, playing at Groot Drakenstein is an absolute privilege. There was just enough breeze to keep it less hot. All I could say to the boys was keep some reserve in the tank, it's going to be a hot day. Of course as tradition goes at Groot the opposition are always invited to bat first. This tradition as far as I have known is to make sure the opposition don't have to field in the searing heat at the highest point of the day.

As mentioned above I decided to slightly tweak the batting, Imran Khan opened the batting with Stephen King. Such a contrast in their batting, Stephen the elegant batsman and Imi the beater of a cricket ball. King complemented Khan by giving him the strike to absolutely put the opening bowlers to the cleaners. Heads went down very quickly for the Groot boys as they consistently had to retrieve the ball from the carpark. This knock by Khan certainly gave the innings a major impetus and made it easy for the other batsmen to set themselves up for a good knock. This was reflective in Nick Wood's innings of 60 which showed class and quality. He had just flown the plane in from London to Cape Town and literally went straight onto the cricket ground and played a majestic innings. Sye Razvi, Louis Dugdale and Tim Sims all made contributions towards the back end of the innings and we managed to get a score of 203-5 in our allotted 35 overs.

As captain I wanted to make sure we had a tight start, wickets were not key but to use up as many overs as possible so I could use more bowlers towards the back end of the innings. I used my two most economical bowlers Assad Naeem and Anthony Wood, both bowled one side of the wicket which made it a dream as I could set fields one side of the wicket. Assad's figures were a respectable 7-1-32-2. Wood's figures were even more remarkable with 7-3-5-1. It was a majestic spell of bowling, impossible to get away with tight and accurate bowling.

Once the opening bowlers had bowled so economically, the opposition were always chasing the game. It was always a tough task as the run rate was always on the up and they seemed to be chasing the game. Nav Malik and Phil Arnold bowled the middle overs well to keep the oppo contained. Both operated well together, Nav Malik with figures 7-1-41-2 bowling in two spells. Phil bowled 7 overs conceding only 33 runs. I managed to get Paul/Sye and Steve King some overs towards which helped the oppo get to a respectable score!

Overall a great day, lovely opposition, beautiful place to play cricket a great win and the tour had finally started.

Naveed Saeed

Played at Pickstone Oval on 8th March 2018

INCOGNITI C.C.

S.King Run Out.....	13
I.Khan c Boulton b Simmers.....	63
N.Wood b Cloete.....	60
S.Razvi c Seaman b Myburgh.....	16
*L.Dugdale b Cloete.....	17
T.Sims Not Out.....	10
P.S.Arnoold Not Out.....	5
P.Lyes DNB.....	
A.Naeem DNB.....	
N.Malik DNB.....	
A.G.Wood DNB.....	
N.Saeed DNB.....	
N.R.Dugdale DNB.....	

Extras.....	19
Total (for 5 wickets).....	203

GROOT DRAKENSTEIN C.C.

T.Van Niekerk b Naeem.....	1
R.Izzard c N.R.Dugdale b Malik.....	13
C.Myburgh c N.R.Dugdale A.G.Wood.....	8
A.Simmers b Naeem.....	1
G.Seaman c & b Malik.....	22
G.de Kock Run Out.....	51
J.Boulton Not Out.....	56
E.Cloete c Arnoold b King.....	4
B.Taylor Not Out.....	5
C.La Grange DNB.....	
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Extras.....	11
Total (for 7 wickets).....	174

Bowling : Naeem 7-1-32-2; A.G.Wood 7-3-5-1; Malik 7-1-41-2; Arnoold 7-0-33-0; Lyes 2-0-22-0; Razvi 3-0-20-0; King 2-0-15-1.

RESULT : WON BY 29 RUNS



INCOGNITI C. C. v GARDEN OLD BOYS C.C.



Played at Vineyard Ground, Western Province on 10th March 2018

INCOGNITI C.C.	55	GARDEN OLD BOYS C.C.	17
*E.Ince c & b Velloen.....	55	W.Izzard b Khan	17
T.Sims b Nel	6	R.Izzard c Saeed b Malik.....	2
P.Lyes st W.Izzard b P.Izzard	69	P.Oosthuizen c Dugdale b Malik	13
#F.Mushtaq c Haye b P.Izzard	7	A.Willett b Khan	0
N.Wood c Barker b Swanepoel.....	42	S.Fouche c Naeem b Malik.....	45
A.G.Wood b Velloen	0	S.Barker c Khan b A.G.Wood	42
N.Saeed b Velloen	12	D.Swanepoel LBW b A.G.Wood.....	10
*L.Dugdale Not Out	1	H.Van der Merwe c Arnould b King	10
N.Malik Not Out	2	E.Velloen b Naeem.....	0
A.Naeem DNB.....	2	M.Nel b Ince.....	8
I.Khan DNB	2	G.Haye Not Out.....	1
#A.McGurdy DNB	2	.....	1
S.King DNB	2	.....	1
Extras.....	30	Extras	19
Total (for 7 wickets)	224	Total	167

Bowling : Khan 6-1-19-2; King 8-0-38-1; Malik 7-0-50-2; Saeed 2-0-16-0; N.Wood 2-0-19-0; A.G.Wood 2-0-5-2; *Ince 2.2-0-10-2; Naeem 1-0-9-1.

RESULT : WON BY 57 RUNS

INCOGNITI C. C. v CLAREMONT C.C.

The Claremont Gents finally had an outing, hosting the UK touring Incogniti CC. Bertus Erasmus (13) and Stevie Atkinson (11) opened the batting and didn't last long before Colin McGaw (0) made a very brief stay at the crease. Mark Ferrao (30) and Grant Long (25) steadied the innings but were pegged back by a combination of tight bowling and some soft dismissals to be 79/5 after 20 overs before the skip Richard Gill (52 not out) batted with the tail to eventually post a respectable 180 all out on the final ball.

The Incogs opening batsmen Immi Khan smashed a quick fire 55 before retiring and literally leaving to the airport to catch his flight home. On the receiving end of the barrage was Rich Sharp (0-27 in 3 overs) although Bertus Erasmus bowled well on the other end to end up with figures of 1-34-7. Pete Smith (0-27-4) Colin McGaw (1-26-7) and Gary Pentland-Smith (3-27-7) pulled back their innings before their batsmen took a liking to Mark Ferrao (0-21-2) and with the game on a knife-edge, Rich Gill (1-11-3) tried hard to contain the run rate before the winning runs were scored off the second last ball with Stevie Atkinson going for 16 runs in 2 overs, the Incogs ending their tour on a high note.

Special thanks to Norman Dugdale and Tony Wood for a great match played in good spirit as is always the case when these two teams meet every few years. Also a big thank you to the scorers Ann and Paul Verney for doing a sterling job.

Richard Gill (Claremont captain)

Played at Constantia Sports Club on 11th March 2018

CLAREMONT C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
B.Erasmus c Naeem b Arnould.....	13	I.Khan b McGaw.....	53
S.Atkinson c N.R.Dugdale Khan.....	11	N.R.Dugdale Retired Not Out.....	6
C.McGaw b Naeem.....	0	N.Saeed c & b McGaw.....	9
M.Ferrao c & b Malik.....	30	P.Lyes b Erasmus.....	10
G.Long c N.R.Dugdale b Malik.....	25	S.Razvi st Twyman b Gill.....	13
R.Gill Not Out.....	52	A.Naeem c & b P.Smith.....	14
G.Haines c & b Arnould.....	2	N.Malik c Ferrao b P.Smith.....	9
P.Smith c Malik b Arnould.....	10	P.S.Arnould b P.Smith.....	8
J.Twyman b Arnould.....	14	*E.Ince Not Out.....	29
R.Sharp Not Out.....	3	A.G.Wood Not Out.....	19
G.P.Smith b Arnould.....	2	*L.Dugdale DNB.....	
Extras.....	18	Extras.....	13
Total	180	Total (for 7 wickets).....	181

Bowling : Khan 4-0-23-1; Naeem 7-2-27-2; Malik 7-0-24-2; *Ince 7-1-36-0; Arnould 7-1-36-4; A.G.Wood 1-0-13-0; Lyes 2-0-13-0.

RESULT : WON BY 3 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C. C. v MILL HILL SCHOOL.

9th May 2018. Match cancelled.

INCOGNITI C.C. v DULWICH COLLEGE.

On a cool, cloudy May day, the Incogniti contingent of twelve including two candidates and two guests, arrived at the magnificent Dulwich College ground. A 35-over per side match was agreed with the College captain calling correctly and opting for first use of a firm, typical Dulwich deck.

Dave Boothroyd and Sam Bardon bowled steadily from the start without success but the College openers, Scarisbrick and Beckenham's Charlie Purwar, were soon into their stride with mature batting and the score mounted. Breakthroughs were not forthcoming and Scarisbrick completed a fine fifty from an opening partnership of 116 before the introduction of Nav Malik's off-spin sent him packing for 62. Purwar continued serenely with fine support from keeper Wilson and also achieved a splendid fifty and 79 more runs were added before Malik struck again with Purwar being held by Sunny Bowry for 73. With the overs ticking away, Wilson completed his fifty before falling again to Malik for 60 and, with Boothroyd picking up one more wicket at the death, the College closed on 253-4. For Incogs, Malik's 3-65 was the best return.

Facing the College new ball attack of Loynes and Stopford, were Nick Wood and guest Bradley Smith. Good progress was made with Smith playing the leading role with 35 being posted in five overs forcing the openers out of the attack. With 65 on the board in the 12th over, Wood fell to Cunningham for 27. Smith, meanwhile, continued to bat fluently and, with Cunningham and partner Stone instigating a middle order collapse, Smith had to resort to an anchorman role, reaching an excellent fifty before departing at 128 for 56. Bowry and guest Herath forced the pace in taking the score up to 158 before the former fell for 28 but the target was receding into the distance and the Incog's innings petered out to 186-9 leaving the College easy winners by 77 runs. Afterwards, with the College bar not being open, an exodus to the nearby Alleyn's Head ensued for crisp ones and socialising.

The moral of yet another heavy defeat by Dulwich College is to try and ensure that Incogniti field their strongest side against schoolboys who are superbly coached by Bill Athey on probably the finest playing surface the Club plays on all season.

Peter Wiseman (scorer)

Played at Dulwich College on 16th May 2018 (35 over win/lose game)

DULWICH COLLEGE.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
J.Scarisbrick c Green b Malik	62	N.Wood c Stone b Cunningham	27
C.Purwar c Bowry b Malik.....	73	#B.Smith c Cunningham b Kenningham ..	56
L.Wilson c Saeed b Malik.....	50	*L.Nicholson c Wilson b Cunningham.....	10
J.Crowfoot Not Out.....	12	J.Green c Wilson b Stone	8
A.Kenningham LBW b Boothroyd ..	22	N.Malik LBW b Cunningham	0
C.Cunningham Not Out	5	S.Bowry c Wilson b Loynes.....	28
J.Hooper DNB.....		#Y.Herath c & b Loynes.....	15
J.Stone DNB		S.Bardon b Beardmore	9
O.Stopford DNB		N.Saeed c Purwar b Beardmore.....	7
H.Loynes DNB		D.Boothroyd Not Out.....	1
E.Beardmore DNB		I.Valibhoy Not Out	0
.....		K.Smith DNB	
Extras.....	19	Extras	25
Total (for 4 wickets)	252	Total (for 9 wickets).....	186

Bowling : Boothroyd 6-1-45-1; Bardon 7-0-28-0; #Herath 7-1-42-0; Bowry 3-0-15-0; Malik 7-0-65-3; Smith 5-0-51-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 77 RUNS

INCOGNITI C.C. v JESUS COLLEGE.



On a glorious afternoon in a wonderful setting, Incogniti won the toss and elected to bat. Mason and Pugh (candidate) strode to the wicket to face the Jesus College opening attack of Mohamed and Thorley, a fast South African right arm bowler recently arrived at Jesus College. Mason found himself back in the pavilion in the fourth over, being well caught by Mohamed at deep fine leg after attempting to hook Thorley and getting a top edge. This brought Lyes to the wicket. Pugh continued his innings with elegance and grace, displaying excellence in shot selection, stroking 16 fours and taking well-judged singles. Lyes decided to take a more aerial route, clubbing 6 sixes and 12 fours but batting with great confidence.

Lyes was first to reach his fifty, shortly followed by Pugh as the Incogniti innings made steady progress. At drinks after 20 overs Incogniti were 105 for 1. Following drinks the run rate picked up - Lyes raced onto his debut century for Incogniti and had to retire hurt on 115. Bell replaced him and smashed 21 off 14 balls. When Incogniti reached 250 after 42 overs, Sims declared the Incogniti innings with Pugh on 95 not out.

The excellent Jesus College tea was supplemented by Incogniti port. The post tea session saw Incogniti taking the field and opening the bowling with Eyre (candidate) and Birtles - a combined age of 34. This must be some sort of record for Incogs as the youngest opening attack. Both Eyre and Birtles bowled with aggression and pace but the port had taken its toll on the slip cordon who collectively had developed an aversion to catching. Van der Byl (60) and Rutter (11) looked a strong opening partnership until the first wicket fell at 66 in 15th over following a bowling change introducing the flight and guile of Arnould and just the guile of Whyte. Arnould bowled well, having Thorley (his previous innings had been a century) expertly caught by Deighton after only 3 balls.

When the last 20 overs were called Jesus College needed 160 with 7 wickets standing but the remaining batsmen found it difficult to get away the accurate bowling of Arnould, Whyte and Malik. With seven overs remaining Jesus College had slumped to 137 for 7. The last seven overs saw the return of Eyre and Birtles, complimented by Whyte, but alas also the return of the slip cordon's aversion to catching. At the close Stackpole and Aspen from Jesus College had survived a torrid last 7 overs and the innings finished on 150 for 7.

As the sun set over Cambridge, Incog captain Sims presented the Jesus College captain with a signed copy of *The Wanderings of the Unknown* - 150 years of the Incogniti Cricket Club in recognition of the relationship between Incogniti and Jesus College illustrated by the clock donated by Incogniti to Jesus College in 1935.

Tim Sims

Played at Jesus College, Cambridge on 20th May 2018

INCOGNITI C.C.		JESUS COLLEGE.	
T.R.G.Mason c Mohamed b Thornley	9	N.Rutter c Bell b Arnould.....	11
*N. Pugh Not Out.....	95	R.Van der Byl b Arnould.....	60
P.Lyes Retired Hurt.....	115	L.Perera b Whyte.....	3
B.Bell c Dudley b Thornley	21	J.Thornley c Deighton b Arnould	0
T.Deighton Not Out	1	A.Evans b Eyre.....	13
B.Birtles DNB		D.Gallagher b Malik.....	9
*S.Eyre DNB		C.Read b Bell	14
N.Malik DNB		S.Stacpode Not Out.....	10
P.S.Arnould DNB		J.Aspden Not Out.....	5
T.Whyte DNB.....		M.Mohamed DNB.....	
T.M.Sims DNB		J.Dudley DNB	
Extras.....	9	Extras	28
Total (for 2 wickets declared)...	250	Total (for 7 wickets).....	153

Bowling : *Eyre 8-1-18-1; Birtles 7-1-43-0; Whyte 9-3-25-1; Arnould 10-3-32-3; Malik 4-3-1-1; Bell 2-0-17-1.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN



INCOGNITI C.C. v HAMPSHIRE HOGS C.C.

A beautiful and inviting summer's day, with idyllic, rolling countryside as the setting. Perfect for cricket - if, of course, you win the toss. This could be put down to lack of experience, as a new Match Manager took over the fixture. Or, more generously, you could put it down to fate. Which ever way you look at it, Incogs were asked to field first.

A positive start was made, with two early wickets falling, and Ben Birtles finding the perfect length, causing many half opportunities, as the batsmen struggled to drive on the up early on. Unfortunately, half-chances were all they were, and a third-wicket stand of 231 meant a hard day in the field, chasing the ball (often into neighbouring fields). The match saw a trio of Blyghtons bowling, unfortunately with the batsmen set, and a pitch offering little assistance, they did not make a breakthrough. As the closing overs approached, Nav Malik was the highlight with three wickets, and more chances created, and Boothroyd picked up a couple as the Hampshire Hogs looked to set a large total.

A target of 313 to win seemed a challenging, but not insurmountable total. A positive start from Billy Blyghton was main glimpse of the Incogs being able to chase the total. The batsmen demonstrated composure at the crease, however it was clear that it was not easy to score in the second innings. This was both down to some strong bowling, but also a ball that did not come off the bat well. A composed innings of 33 from Danny Blyghton, and an unbeaten 60 from Nav Malik meant that a defeat for the Incogs was never a likely outcome, but finishing at 159-4 meant we were well short of the total.

One thing that cannot be questioned, however, was the Incogs' dominance at lunch, with the president there to ensure we were suitably refreshed on such a hot day in the field...

David Boothroyd

Played at Warnford on 3rd June 2018:-

HAMPSHIRE HOGS C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
O.J.D.Kelly c D.Blyghton b Birtles.	11	T.R.G.Mason c Love b C.H.M.Browne....	2
M.C.Burkie LBW b Boothroyd.....	11	*B.Blyghton b C.H.M.Browne.....	15
A.Brown c S.Blyghton b Boothroyd	112	P.Lyes c R.J.Portal b C.H.M.Browne.....	18
M.J.Love st Pearce b Malik.....	125	N.Malik Not Out	60
A.J.T.Halliday c Mason b Malik.....	13	*D.Blyghton st Brown b Durston	33
J.Browne b Boothroyd	0	J.Ritchie Not Out	0
J.Portal c Mason b Malik	1	*P.Pearce DNB	
T.R.Durston Not Out	1	B.Birtles DNB.....	
C.H.M.Browne Not Out.....	15	S.Duggan DNB.....	
G.C.M.Browne DNB.....		D.Boothroyd DNB.....	
R.J.Portal DNB		*S.Blyghton DNB	
Extras.....	17	Extras	31
Total (for 7 wickets declared).....	244	Total (for 4 wickets).....	159

Bowling :Boothroyd 7-0-53-3; Birtles 7-0-31-1; *S.Blyghton 7-0-36-0; Duggan 3-0-28-0;
*B.Blyghton 8-0-57-0; *D.Blyghton 7-0-65-0; Malik 5-0-35-3.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN

INCOGNITI C. C. v ROYAL HOUSEHOLD C.C.

Played at Frogmore on 10th June 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		ROYAL HOUSEHOLD C. C.	
R.Sehmi c Ashfaq b Cornwell.....	51	T.Hann c Birtles b Y.Balasubramaniam ...	30
T.R.G.Mason c Cornwell b O'Leary	12	J.Martin st K.Balasubramaniam b Arnould	30
P.Lyes c Martin b O'Leary	0	B.Ashfaq c Arnould b Valibhoy	15
K.Balasubramaniam LBW b Cornwell	6	S.O'Leary Not Out.....	60
B.Birtles st Jordon b Hassey	4	M.O'Leary Not Out.....	76
D.Sehmi b O'Leary.....	50	Cornwell DNB.....	
*Y.Balasubramaniam c O'Leary b Cornwell	58	Morrisy DNB	
I.Valibhoy LBW b Morrisy.....	0	Jordon DNB	
G.S.Starost Not Out.....	12	Hassey DNB.....	
P.S.Arnould DNB .....		.....
D.Boothroyd DNB.....		.....
Extras.....	26	Extras	9
Total (for 8 wickets declared)....	219	Total (for 3 wickets).....	220

Bowling : Boothroyd 10.1-2-48-0; Starost 10-0-52-0; *Y.Balasubramaniam 6-0-5-1; Arnould 8-0-43-1; Valibhoy 2-0-22-1.

RESULT : LOST BY 7 WICKETS

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

Played at Grist's on 17th June 2018:-

SCORECARD NOT SUBMITTED BY MATCH MANAGER.

RESULT : LOST BY 20 RUNS

INCOGNITI C. C. v ROYAL NAVY C.C.

We travelled to the south coast in great spirits and full of hope; good facilities, welcoming hosts and great weather...plus we had 9 bowling options, an exciting batting line up and some fit young men to chase the ball in the field. Better still, the Navy agreed to play a 2 day, 2 innings game with a minimum of 90 overs per day. Proper cricket.

The Navy skipper won the toss and, predictably, chose to bat first on a flat, dry wicket. Dave Boothroyd led the attack bowling a tight, testing spell and consistently shaping the ball away from the groping bats of the right handed openers. Ben Wakeford ran in regally from the other end and served up a seductive mixture of magic balls and filth. Promising youngster Tom Pegler bowled a good spell of left-arm spin and was unfortunate to finish the innings wicketless. Ian Robinson bowled cleverly, Sam Bardon energetically (whilst also taking 3 catches) and Kelvyn Smith with wit and skill. The wickets were shared around, the pick of the bowlers being Boothroyd (10-5-13-2) and the Navy declared on 241-8 shortly before tea.

Nav Malik and Ben Birtles started calmly against some good and (from one end) quick bowling but both succumbed in the early overs bringing North London CC's Aussie Yass Herath and Wakeford B to the crease. Ben didn't last long and Green followed shortly after bringing in Sam Bardon to join his club colleague. We were wobbling at 50-4 and unworthy thoughts turned to being bowled out in the evening session (and the etiquette around being forced to follow on in a friendly fixture!) We need not have worried; Sam and Yass dug in and built an increasingly confident partnership that survived to the close of play (110-4) before diligently joining the rest of the team for ice baths and an early night.

Or not. Several Navy players joined us for drinks, beer was taken, meat was eaten and, bench surfing injury notwithstanding, a pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

Another perfect cricket day dawned and next man in Perry Pearce padded up to wait for his turn. Which he was still doing at drinks and still doing when the declaration came at 296-4! What a fantastic partnership, they put on more than 240 with Yass finishing on 133* and Sam 103*. An absolute pleasure to watch and with 70 overs left in the day and a lead of 55 Incogs were in the driving seat. There then followed an outstanding period of play; skilful, careful batting, tight bowling (great stuff from Ian Robinson and Dave Boothroyd), fireworks from Bens Wakeford and Birtles, an excellent spell from Tom Pegler (working over the first innings centurion before dismissing him) It was absorbing cricket and when Yass was finally brought on his 2 wickets in 5 balls caused the Navy to declare. The equation was clear; 139 in 23 overs on a crumbling, dusty wicket – tricky but doable we thought. We started well with Yass and Pearce playing shots and running well. However, Yass fell, Bardon was unable to repeat his first innings heroics, Wakeford threatened but all too briefly and finally Pearce succumbed for a fine 46. With 30 minutes remaining all 4 results had been possible...but sadly the chase was over. Nav Malik played well to see us safely to close and at 95-6 we shook hands on a well fought and absorbing draw. A great fixture, lots of excellent cricket and well done to all concerned. The Incogniti CC flag fluttered proudly above the pavilion for 2 terrific days. Thanks from the team to Lord and Lady Moss for umpiring and scoring respectively, to Duggers for helping us out on day 2 and to Nick Gibbs for the Presidential encouragement.

Jim Green

Played at H.M.S. Temeraire, Portsmouth on 21st & 22nd June 2018;-

ROYAL NAVY 1 st Innings.		INCOGNITI C.C. 1 st Innings	
J.Richards c Bardon b Boothroyd	6	N.Malik c Hilligan b Parker	11
L.Dixon c Green b Wakeford.....	30	B.Birtles c Buscombe b Wigley.....	4
M.Deacon c Bardon b Boothroyd	8	#Y Herath Not Out	133
L.Buscombe LBW b Bardon.....	39	B.Wakeford LBW b Wigley.....	1
J.Matthews c Bardon b Robinson.....	11	J.Green LBW b Dixon.....	5
J.Parker Not Out.....	105	S.Bardon Not Out.....	103
R.Wigley st Pearce b Bardon.....	16	*P.Pearce DNB.....	
M.Williams c Herath b Smith.....	1	K.Smith DNB.....	
M.Hutchins c Boothroyd b Smith	4	D.Boothroyd DNB.....	
R.Hilligan Not Out.....	5	I.Robinson DNB.....	
C.Turrell DNB.....		T.Pegler DNB.....	
Extras.....	16	Extras	39
Total (for 8 wickets declared)	241	Total (for 4 wickets declared)	108

Bowling : Boothroyd 10-5-13-2; Wakeford 6-1-31-1; Pegler 7-1-33-0; Robinson 5-1-22-1; Malik 3-0-11-0; #Y Herath 6-0-35-0; Bardon 10-1-39-2; Smith 6-0-41-2.

ROYAL NAVY 2 nd Innings.		INCOGNITI C.C. 2 nd Innings	
J.Richards b Wakeford.....	9	#Y Herath c Buscombe b Parker.....	10
L.Dixon LBW b Wakeford	51	B.Birtles LBW b Parker	0
M.Deacon LBW b Wakeford.....	0	*P.Pearce st Buscombe b Turrell.....	46
L.Buscombe b Birtles	36	B.Wakeford c Wigley b Turrell.....	7
C.Turrell c Pearce b Birtles.....	6	S.Bardon LBW b Turrell.....	0
J.Matthews c & b Herath	46	D.Boothroyd b Wigley	3
J.Parker c Malik b Pegler.....	13	N.Malik Not Out	22
R.Wigley Not Out.....	19	J.Green Not Out.....	0
M.Williams c Wakeford b Herath....	0	I.Robinson DNB.....	
M.Hutchins DNB.....		T.Pegler DNB.....	
R.Hilligan DNB.....		N.R.Dugdale DNB	
Extras.....	14	Extras	7
Total (for 8 wickets declared)	194	Total (for 6 wickets)	95

Bowling : Boothroyd 11-1-48-0; Robinson 7-1-29-0; Wakeford 6-1-17-3; Malik 8-0-31-0; Birtles 6-1-25-2; Pegler 8-0-34-1; #Y Herath 0.5-0-0-2.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN

INCOGNITI C. C. v ORATORY SCHOOL

Played at Oratory School on 27th June 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		ORATORY SCHOOL.	
S.King c H.Thorby b W.Thorby.....	8	T.Winterbottom b Cave.....	26
#J.Ince c Mather b Baxter	35	J.Wallace LBW b Malik.....	118
N.Malik b W.Thorby.....	0	C.Thomas b Malik.....	21
T.Deighton b W.Thorby.....	11	H.Thorby c Cave b Malik.....	27
*E.Ince c Kimber b Smith.....	37	B.Griffiths b Malik.....	0
N.Saeed b Wallace.....	56	W.Thorby Not Out.....	32
S.Bowry c H.Thorby b Wallace	70	A.Baxter Not Out.....	0
#S.Choudry b Kimber.....	0	A.Vile DNB.....	
S.Razvi DNB		S.Smith DNB.....	
#B.Cave DNB.....		J.Thompson DNB.....	
R.J.F.Tierney DNB		D.Kimber DNB	
Extras.....	19	Extras	15
Total (for 8 wickets)	238	Total (for 5 wickets).....	239

Bowling: *E.Ince 3-0-21-0; #J.Ince 4-0-24-0; #Cave 11-2-51-1; Tierney 5.1-0-63-0; Bowry 2-0-28-0; Malik 8-0-37-4; #Choudry 1-0-8-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 5 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C. C. v MERSTHAM C.C.

Following the late cancellation of the fixture against Berkhamsted CC, a hastily arranged fixture against a Merstham A XI saw an Incog side with a strong batting line up make their way to Merstham for a 40 over game. Incogs won the toss and decided to bat and, as with all strong Incog batting line ups, were 50 for 5 after the first 10 overs! A partnership between Paul Lyes (65) and Nav Saeed (38) shored up the innings, Lyes playing his usual expansive game hitting 13 fours and Saeed playing in a more tempered and watchful way. In the 40th over Incogs were all out for 193.

Merstham started their chase well, and found themselves on 123 in the 29th over before they lost their third wicket and then their fourth wicket in the 30th over when their leading batsman B. Harris (73) was well stumped by Sims off Rehman. Kaps and Padhani then came on and bowled beautiful and artful spells of spell bowling using an increasingly wearing and turning wicket. Padhani was the pick of the bowlers taking 5-18 off 5 overs. By the time Bowry (20 not out - an Incog who plays for Merstham) came to the wicket at no.8, Merstham had fallen behind the run rate and the total set by Incogs became unobtainable. Merstham finished their 40 overs on 172.

Tim Sims

Played at Merstham on 1st July 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		MERSTHAM C.C.	
A.Padhani b Sharp.....	0	S.Harris st Sims b Rehman	73
#W.Munis b A.Khan	1	J.White c Sims b Balasubramaniam.....	6
#D.Shaquel c ? b A.Khan.....	14	W.Preston b Balasubramaniam.....	3
N.Malik b A.Khan.....	16	B.Sharp c Malik b Padhani.....	39
K.Balasubramaniam b Sharp.....	4	R.Hardman c Munis b Padhani.....	1
P.Lyes c ? b Preston	65	A.Rashid b Rehman.....	1
N.Saeed b Rashid	38	R.Harris c Balasubramaniam b Padhani	12
T.M.Sims LBW b I.Khan.....	9	S.Bowry Not Out.....	20
#A.Reham c ? b Duncan.....	1	S.Duncan LBW b Padhani.....	0
T.Whyte c ? b Duncan.....	4	A.Khan c & b Padhani.....	1
P.S.Arnould c ? b Duncan.....	18	I.Khan st Sims b Malik.....	0
#R.Abdur Not Out.....	1	M.Pitcher Not Out.....	0
Extras	22	Extras	15
Total	193	Total (for 10 wickets).....	172

Bowling:Whyte7-3-16-0; Arnould 8-2-27-0; #Rehman 8-0-39-2; Padhani 5-0-18-5; Malik 3-0-19-1; #Abdur 1-0-7-0.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN

INCOGNITI C. C. v THE MILLERS C.C.

Played at Mill Hill School on 2nd July 2018:-

MILLERS C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
J.Droge c Munir b Whyte.....	2	#N.Malik b Lewis.....	8
J.Cicale LBW b Whyte	12	N.C.Beecroft b Lewis.....	10
N.Schild Run Out.....	7	R.Sezmi c E.Bamber b Lewis.....	86
C.Plummer b Pegler.....	91	#D.Shakim LBW b Thal.....	22
M.Butcher st ? b Munir.....	64	S.Bowry LBW b Plummer.....	3
A.Rennie b Whyte.....	1	#V.Munir c Lewis b Bamber	12
J.Lewis b Malik	20	N.Malik Run Out.....	11
E.Bamber Not Out.....	26	#M.Rashid b Thal.....	16
T.Bamber DNB.....		S.Razvi b Lewis.....	1
M.Thal DNB.....		T.Pegler Not Out	0
N.Hodgson DNB.....		#A.Rehman DNB	
Extras	23	Extras	21
Total (for 7 wickets)	246	Total (for 9 wickets).....	190

Bowling : Whyte 11-2-38-3; #Shakim 8-3-28-0; Pegler 10.2-0-43-1; #Rehman 5-0-20-0; Bowry 2-0-13-0; #Munir 4-0-33-1; #Malik 2-0-3-0; #Rashid 5-0-22-0; Malik 4-0-29-1.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN

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

Played at Maidenhead & Bray on 8th July 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		MAIDENHEAD & BRAY C.C.	
T.R.G.Mason b Moorthy.....	15	R.Lawrence Not Out.....	105
*Y.Balasubramaniam b Appavoo	0	S.Phillips-Williams Not Out.....	114
B.Bell b Appavoo.....	0	B.Ward DNB.....	
S.Bowry b Moorthy.....	24	S.Ball DNB	
K.Balasubramaniam b Butler	45	A.Amir DNB	
R.Sehmi c ? b Manchanda.....	24	A.Appavoo DNB.....	
N.Saeed c ? b Howard	17	B.Howard DNB.....	
I.Khan st ? b Manchanda.....	36	S.Manchanda DNB.....	
P.S.Arnould Not Out.....	22	M.Armstrong DNB.....	
T.Whyte Not Out	20	A.Moorthy DNB.....	
T.M.Sims DNB		C.Butler DNB.....	
Extras.....	25	Extras.....	12
Total (for 9 wickets)	228	Total (for 0 wickets).....	231

Bowling :Khan 5-0-29-0; Whyte 5-2-15-0; *Y.Balasubramaniam 2-0-22-0; Arnould 6-0-35-0; Bowry 4-0-21-0; K.Balasubramaniam 3-0-29-0; Bell 4-0-31-0; Sehmi 3.4-0-37-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 10 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C. C. v OLD LEIGHTONIANS C.C.

Not one blade of green grass greeted us as we arrived nice and early at Leighton Park School and the temperature was already 25 degrees. Not that I would have bowled first anyway, the dry-looking wicket did hide some dampness underneath and it was this that caused Adrian Beecroft to have to fend off a lifter that took the shoulder of his bat for a dolly catch to slip. Sunny Bowry had already been dismissed by a brilliant mid-off catch by OL's skipper diving forward to a very firmly hit drive, so we were in a bit of a mess at lunch after young Ben Birtles got another lifter just before lunch to give another dolly caught and bowled. Thank goodness we bat deep! With Paul Lyes looking solid and aggressive in his 40s there was plenty more yet to come even though 80 odd for 3 was not the greatest position to be in. After lunch, either the wicket had dried out a bit or the ball had got softer so their seamers were replaced by spinners, one of which managed to find the outside edge of Lyes' driving bat and was caught miraculously by Shreyas at close slip at head height! Next, in comes our second guest youngster and (I hope) future candidate, Seb Eyres who had been playing rugby two days before in Canada. First ball went straight over mid-on and he hit 30 off 14 balls with seven 4s before unbelievably missing an innocuous straight one from OL's dibbly-dobbly. So, an 18-year old is dismissed and replaced by the 15 year-old son of a modern Incogs' legend Tony Wood. Oliver Wood really looks the part and looked aggressive from the first ball he received, but it was this slightly over-aggressive approach that was his downfall when he could not resist hitting yet another on-drive and failed to clear mid-on and was out for a very good 18. I personally hope that we see a lot more of all these three teenagers and it's for old members like me (and you?) to make sure they are introduced, selected and welcomed to this club with positive praise and instruction, intelligent help and encouragement. After all, it was at that age that I was taken away from the game that I loved by all the other delights on offer!!!! Only to rediscover by chance six years later! Anyway, back to the match; even with these welcome contributions from the teenagers, we were not yet in a position of comfort and it took some very mature contributions from our mature lower middle order to get us to a point of declaration, especially knowing that the wicket had lost its spark and we'd need to 'buy some wickets'. Tony Wood's lovely innings of 62, Nav Malik's steady 34 not out and Imran Khan's very unselfish 27 were a great example of Incogs' rearguard and I was able to declare on 260 off 50 overs thinking that I'd be able to bowl the same amount of overs back in the three hours of play available. What I didn't take into account was the amount of time we'd waste looking for the match ball amongst the trees. The bowling figures speak for themselves, save to say that Immy deserved a wicket or two before he had to leave early by arrangement for a West End show, Oliver Wood bowled with very good pace and away movement and had keeper Tim Sims diving around like a teenage goalkeeper and took one of his wickets with a caught and bowled as good as I have ever seen from a quicky, and when he learns to bowl just a little straighter, will be a handful for most batsmen. After his first wayward over, Seb Eyre

forgot about his jetlag and bowled very quick and was unlucky (too quick) not to find an OL edge. Woodie senior bowled brilliantly but even with 3-4 around the bat just couldn't get a wicket. Nav Malik bowled a very good long spell in the heat and could've easily ended up with a fivefer with a little more luck. Sunny came on by request and got the wicket he knew he'd get and even I bowled my first Incog overs of the year and had the two chances I created been taken, might well have got through to OL's real tail and won. Teenager Ben Birtles, who might well have opened the bowling had he not been 'up the order' came on and bowled with good pace and very straight to get his wicket. Unfortunately, after the dropped chances, OL's two decided to close shop and secure a draw; it's times like this that scream out for a leggie, but unfortunately the one I thought I had, had to take his father to hospital. We managed to bowl 46 overs back which, with the wicket having been so spiteful in the morning, was a fair distribution and declaration if only we could have held on to our chances. By the way, it had reached 36 degrees by tea time! A good game of cricket all the same and as usual, a very amiable opposition whom myself and the Woodies joined for a little refreshment.

Norman Dugdale

Played at Leighton Park School on 13th July 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		OLD LEIGHTONIANS C.C.	
S.Bowry c Gillmor b Doraisamy	7	J.Ackland-Hood c Bowry b O.Wood.....	13
P.A.B.Beecroft c Shreyas b Patel	13	N.Hayles b Maik	24
P.Lyes c Shreyas b P.N.Price	47	P.N.Price c & b O.Wood	3
B.Birtles c & b R.Price.....	10	D.Doraisamy c Lyes b Dugdale.....	26
*S.Eyre b R.Price	30	T.Gillmor b Malik	31
*O.Wood c Pye-Smith b Shreyas.....	18	C.Pye-Smith b Birtles.....	5
A.G.Wood c Nat b Storey	62	N.Shreyas b Bowry.....	8
I.Khan st Hayles b R.Price	27	N.Nat Not Out	34
N.Malik Not Out	34	V.Patel Not Out.....	16
T.M.Sims Not Out.....	2	M.Storey DNB	
N.R.Dugdale DNB.....		R.Price DNB	
Extras	10	Extras	27
Total (for 8 wickets)	260	Total (for 7 wickets).....	187

Bowling: Khan 6-1-19-0; *O.Wood 6-2-17-2; Malik 11-3-35-2; *Eyre 6-0-27-0; Dugdale 6-0-32-1; A.G.Wood 5-1-18-0; Birtles 3-2-4-1; Bowry 2-0-7-1; Lyes 1-0-4-0.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN

INCOGNITI C. C. v SANDHURST WANDERERS C.C.

18th July 2018. Match cancelled.

WESTERN TOUR

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



Incogniti won the toss and decided to bowl first on what was our first game of the revived Western Tour under my leadership. The opening bowling of Oliver Wood (aged 15) and Kieron Brown (aged 18) was solid. At one end Oliver was tight with good pace and bounce keeping the opposition batsmen down to 11 runs off his allowable spell of 6 overs. At the other end the ball kept low and did not offer as much for the bowler. Piers Brown (aged 15) took the first wicket of Jeacock caught out deep by Tony Wood with his leg spin. Enter into the attack Steve Batey from Upper Lyme Regis CC as our guest. He bowled with a quick arm and undeniable accuracy. He clean bowled Tierney for 14 and then had Jackson caught by Kieron Brown for 2. Meanwhile Piers Brown kept wheeling away with his accurate leg spin and bowled J.Tierney for 0. The wickets dried up when captain Rob Johns came to the wicket for Ottery St Mary ably supported by West the club's Australian overseas player from Brisbane. West took time to get going against Batey and never looked to dominate Steve's bowling. He did hit the bad ball well as did Johns with his tall frame. Both men played solid innings with Johns out to Wood close to the end and it was good to see young Harry Gadsby bowling his right arm medium pace albeit at the end when the opposition batting were in their prime. West remained not out on 88 and Ottery St Mary set Incogniti a challenging total of 229 in no more than 40 overs.

Incogniti started with Steve Batey and Hugo Murray (aged 15). Both looked very impressive building a 70 run partnership for the first wicket. Murray played some lovely on drives waiting for the ball and then placing it through the mid-on and mid-wicket area. Steve Batey drove with power and perfection. Both looked to be in very good touch. Murray was out first for 30 runs followed by Batey for a very good 49. Enter young Harry Gadsby who with Piers Brown played some good shots between them both scoring 18 and 20 runs respectively to keep the run chase moving forward.

When both were out we were not yet finished. Oliver Wood managed to put a ball out to deep mid on and was well caught without adding to the total but then Louis Dugdale (15) and Jeremy Sims (23) kept the scoreboard ticking along just under the run rate but with consistency of shot selection which suggested we would get close. Unfortunately Louis was out stumped down the legside and the intensity of the run chase slackened off. Later batsmen could not find the scoring shots and Jeremy was left 23 not out.

A good start to our newly reformed "mini" western tour with a draw hoping to be invited back by Ottery St Mary next year. Well played to our young candidates and guests. Your support is appreciated and hopefully you will be back next season.

Tony Wood

Played at Strawberry Lane, Ottery on 17th July 2018:-

OTTERY ST. MARY C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
D.Jeacock c A.G.Wood b K.Brown ...	43	#S.Batey st West b Tierney	49
L.Tierney b Batey	14	#H.Murray LBW b Jeacock.....	30
O.West Not Out	88	#H.Gadsby c T.Jeacock b M.Jeacock ...	18
R.Jackson c K.Brown b Batey.....	2	#P.Brown LBW b Dallon	20
J.Tierney b P.Brown.....	0	*O.Wood c Dallon b M.Jeacock.....	0
R.Johns c H.Gadsby b A.G.Wood.....	46	*L.Dugdale st West b Dallon.....	15
T.Jeacock Not Out	14	#J.Sims Not Out	23
Dallon DNB.....		#K.Brown c Johns b Dallon.....	3
Maldon DNB.....		T.Gadsby c West b Maldon.....	4
M.Jeacock DNB.....		A.G.Wood Not Out	0
.....		N.R.Dugdale DNB	
Extras	23	Extras	25
Total (for 5 wickets)	229	Total (for 8 wickets).....	187

Bowling :*O.Wood 6-3-11-0; #K.Brown 8-0-63-0; #P.Brown 7-0-30-2; #Batey 9-2-26-2; A.G.Wood 5-0-24-1; #H.Gadsby 4-0-35-0.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN

INCOGNITI C. C. v BUDLEIGH SALTERTON C.C.

Our second fixture against Budleigh Salterton was an evening T20 at their delightful ground right on the coast. It is unfathomable to think this ground was six feet underwater last year when we experienced as a nation the heavy rains. This also included the clubhouse. To see it today with the burnished and brown outfield, hard but worn tracks and a very inviting clubhouse is to consider a different ground.

We won the toss and allowed our hosts the opportunity to display their talent. We started with the left arm spin of Tony Wood who perhaps uncharacteristically had little answer to the reverse sweeping and strong shots of young Oxland. Mejzner our guest at the other end was bowling his offspin to a good line and his field. He took the wicket of T.Anning caught out on the boundary by Tony Wood diving to his right and promptly falling on his inhaler which left a subsequent bruise for one week. Moral of the story....don't dive, catch it on your feet! With one Anning out this only brought another to the wicket. Strong shot making from both him and Oxland saw the score slowly climb to a predicted 200+ runs. However, welcome to the introduction of Hugo Murray and Piers Brown. Hugo bowled his medium pace to good effect and took the wicket of Oxland who was looking very dangerous. A high skying catch from young Louis Dugdale who must have twisted and turned more times than a Latin ballroom dancer took the opportunity presented and when Piers Brown bowled Leat with his leg spin, suddenly there was some relief from the boundaries. Anning and Bolt continued to score runs but now at a much reduced pace. Oliver Wood came into bowl in the final 4 overs of the game and bowled tight taking the wicket of Bolt to wrap up the Budleigh score at 178 off their allotted 20 overs. Notable performances from Tom and Harry Gadsby in the field often saving many fours with their tireless running and diving on the hard ground must have left them with a few bruises and cuts for their efforts. Also a big thank you Norman Dugdale who fielded for the first 10 overs. Bowled 2 overs against Oxland and Anning and reminded me when I took him off to get his gloves on for the second 10 overs as keeper that he had managed to get 2 balls past the bat!..That was a good reminder of how well the batsmen were playing. Piers Brown bowled well when he relinquished the gloves to Norman who danced like a star on "Come Strictly" in complete control against the pace bowling of Hugo Murray and Oliver Wood.

Our innings started well with an immediate boundary from our opening bat Arnold but that was it. Oliver Wood was out for a duck second ball driving to mid-off followed by Arnold bowled by Doble for 9. Enter young Harry Gadsby who played with great resilience against the Devon Lions pace bowler. The runs came but we were starting to look at an ever increasing run rate as is the case in T20. Harry played a couple of lovely shots for 4 off his legs and we hope he and his dad will be back next year for the tour. Both looked very good players and entered into the spirit of the tour. Harry spurred on by watching family scored 13. We had two runs outs in quite quick succession. Kieron Brown and then Louis Dugdale. Both had done the hard work of getting in with Louis especially playing one lovely four to

deep mid on. With 5 wickets down we needed some magic from somewhere. Tony Wood joined the wicket with Piers Brown and promptly the pair put on a 50 partnership. Piers Brown the aggressor sweeping the Devon Minor Counties spinner for 4 after 4 and Tony hitting a few fours down to deep long on and deep square. However, one too many for Tony as he was caught out on the deep pulling a short ball and this left Piers to go on and register his maiden fifty for Incogniti CC. Tom Gadsby hit a useful 9 runs to stay with Piers but it was the lofty hitting of Mejzner who took us to 135 off our 20 overs.

So 43 runs short of the opposition total but not a bad effort by Incogniti at all against an opposition who displayed Minor County, Devon Lions and good quality 1st and 2nd XI players in their side. Thank you Budleigh Salterton and Ray Dawson who is the brother of Incog Bobby Dawson for hosting us on such a nice ground and evening.

Thanks also go to Lord and Lady Moss for their respective duties as umpire and scorer. We hope to see them back again next year.

Tony Wood

Played at Budleigh on 18th July 2018:-

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
T.Oxland c L.Dugdale b Mejzner.....	79	#R.Arnold b Doble.....	9
T.Anning c A.G.Wood b Murray	5	*O.Wood c Leat b Doble.....	0
P.Anning Not Out	42	#H.Gadsby c Oxland b Proctor.....	13
J.Leat b P.Brown.....	19	#K.Brown Run Out.....	0
M.Bolt c Mejzner b O.Wood.....	14	*L.Dugdale Run Out	7
Proctor DNB		A.G.Wood c Proctor b Butler.....	17
Marran DNB		#P.Brown c Marran b Bolt.....	59
Doble DNB		T.Gadsby c Anning b Leat.....	9
Butler DNB.....		#H.Murray Run Out	0
.....		#M.Mejzner Not Out	17
.....		N.R.Dugdale Not Out.....	0
Extras	19	Extras	4
Total (for 4 wickets)	178	Total (for 8 wickets).....	135

Bowling: #Mejzner 4-0-29-1; #K.Brown 2-0-16-0; #P.Brown 2-0-13-1; #Murray 4-0-30-1; A.G.Wood 4-0-42-0; *O.Wood 2-0-10-1; N.R.Dugdale 2-0-22-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 43 RUNS

INCOGNITI C. C. v BECKENHAM C.C.

Played at Foxgrove on 25th July 2018:-

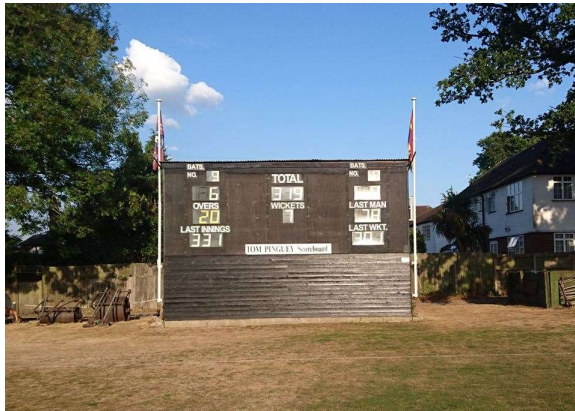
BECKENHAM C.C.	
R.Hari c Whyte b Bowry.....	101
A.Rowland st Smith b Bowry	138
J.Naughton Not Out	26
J.Pitblado b Malik	38
J.Jones Not Out.....	9
C.Le Bosquet DNB	
J.Baker DNB	
J.Edie DNB	
D.Baker DNB.....	
O.Civil DNB	
N.Eddy DNB.....	
Extras	19
Total (for 3 wickets)	331

INCOGNITI C.C.	
S.Razvi LBW b Hari	26
I.Valibhoy c Hari b Edie.....	29
#H.Nadir b Blake.....	82
S.Bowry c Pitblado b Hari.....	79
P.Lyes b Civil.....	37
A.Smith b Le Bosquet	5
#L.Tarafdor LBW b Le Bosquet.....	6
N.Malik Not Out.....	8
*R.Sharp Not Out.....	6
N.Saeed DNB.....	
T.Whyte DNB	
Extras	41
Total (for 7 wickets).....	319

Bowling: Whyte 14-1-82-0; *Sharp 7-1-46-0; #Tarafdor 8-0-53-0; Malik 10-0-58-1; 0-44-0; Bowry 5-0-36-2.

#Nadir 5-

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN



A fine game!

INCOGNITI C. C. v NORTH LONDON C.C.

Writing this report in February snow and to the very tight deadline set by 'The Keeper of Scores and Averages' just yesterday, much of this momentous August game is now beyond recall and, alas, may become lost in time. At this stage of the year, it is good to have a chance to think about days when there was a sun. Certainly, although the records show that Incogs won the toss, the decision was in fact gifted to us by the ever-hospitable North London team. Incogs, sporting a stronger team than in some recent years, opted to field first on a very hot day and to pretend the toss had been lost in order to avoid mutiny. (In addition, in case the reader is going to skip a later paragraph, it should be mentioned here - the scoresheet reveals a blistering batting cameo by Whyte which must never be forgotten. When he doesn't bowl, he bats. Apparently).

Less hazy is Steve Blyghton's immaculate spell (eleven overs and two wickets for a handful.) He completely tied up some of North London's stronger players with controlled swing, penetrating seam and impeccable length to leave other left-hand bowlers in the team somewhat jealous. 'Very impressive use of the new ball' would be British understatement. At the other end, Jack Grylls bowled thirteen strong overs - he too was making it all very easy for skipper Kaps. It was, I vaguely remember, Jack's first spell of the year and after thirteen overs he took a well-earned breather: the final three overs were all wicket maidens. Well bowled.

By then Tommy Pegler came on for a spell of left-arm spin. Two wickets and eight overs the scoresheet says. He is a canny bowler and it was kind of him to play for Incogniti when he was presumably also much in demand at his own home ground by NLCC. Yet what is really unforgettable about this spell is that Mr Pegler insisted on setting his own field and there were no fatalities, not even at the silly mid-on he'd presumably set for target practice! At the other end, Danny Blyghton, then young candidate and now full Incog member, showed us what we will hopefully enjoy from him for many years to come. He also picked up a couple of wickets.

None of our bowlers were really hit for enough to give brother Billy Blyghton much to do when he came to bat at number three but in any case we opened with Milo Jennings who hit a useful 40 against his own club, and Jim Green who carried his bat. Imran Valibhoy must have just become a father (congratulations) or was hurrying along because he was about to become one. This must explain the duck. James Kelly was bowled. I'm not sure how that happened but no doubt it won't happen again. And then I hit it all around the ground for a couple of balls.

Thanks to Kaps for skipping on a hot day and ensuring that our candidates got the game they deserved. It's a useful thing for a match manager when a car pulls up and it is full of Blyghtons and James Kelly of course is also an excellent find. But thanks especially of course to NLCC on the first day of their cricket week for their generosity and good humour.

Tom Whyte

Played at North London on 6th August 2018:-

NORTH LONDON C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
G.Harwood c Valibhoy b S.Blyghton.	4	M.Jennings c Riley b Tripp	40
T.Woodfield c Balasubramaniam b Grylls	22	J.Green Not Out.....	40
M.Riley b S.Blyghton	14	*B.Blyghton b Issitt.....	17
Y.Mudiyanselage b D.Blyghton.....	37	I.Valibhoy b Mudiyanselage.....	0
J.Berkmann c Jennings b Grylls.....	0	*J.Kelly c Berkmann b Issitt.....	8
D.Robinson c Kelly b Grylls.....	0	T.Whyte Not Out.....	18
N.Wells LBW b Pegler	21	K.Balasubramaniam DNB.....	
B.Ward st Balasubramaniam b D.Blyghton	14	J.Grylls DNB.....	
F.Issitt c & b Pegler.....	12	*D.Blyghton DNB.....	
D.Rosson Not Out.....	4	*S.Blyghton DNB	
H.Tripp Not Out.....	4	T.Pegler DNB.....	
Extras	10	Extras	20
Total (for 9 wickets)	142	Total (for 4 wickets).....	143

Bowling:Grylls 13-4-44-3; *S.Blyghton 11-2-18-2; Pegler 8-0-40-2; *D.Blyghton 7.4-1-32-2.

RESULT : WON BY 6 WICKETS

MID-WEST TOUR

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

Played at Tidworth on 7th August 2018:-

WILTSHIRE QUERIES C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
J.Bramwell b Balasubramaniam.....	76	S.Baxter b Fry	11
N.Jephson LBW b Grylls	7	N.Saeed LBW b Fry	4
P.Khanahurka c Kelly b G.S.Starost ...	2	*J.Kelly c Jephson b Roberts.....	41
J.Caunt c Baxter b G.S.Starost	81	K.Balasubramaniam st Jephson b Roberts	48
T.Churchill c Baxter b G.S.Starost.....	4	*L.Dugdale c Fry b Khanahurka.....	9
G.Ramsey st Baxter b Balasubramaniam	47	G.S.Starost b Khanahurka	4
T.Bossom b G.S.Starost	12	T.M.Sims LBW b Khanahurka	0
D.Fry Not Out.....	16	J.Grylls b Khanahurka.....	0
S.Campbell Not Out.....	1	#H.Starost b Khanahurka.....	6
N.Hasvet DNB		N.R.Dugdale Not Out.....	1
P.Roberts DNB		J.Andrews b Khanahurka.....	0
Extras	8	Extras	22
Total (for 7 wickets)	271	Total	146

Bowling:G.S.Starost 18-2-79-4; Grylls 10-1-48-1; Saeed 6-0-56-0; N.R.Dugdale 5-0-23-0; Balasubramaniam 11-1-51-2; #H.Starost 1-0-12-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 125 RUNS

INCOGNITI C. C. v TROWBRIDGE C.C.

Played at Trowbridge on 8th August 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		TROWBRIDGE C.C.	
N.R.Dugdale c Robinson b R.Hudd ...	12	R.Oakley b Duggan	4
S.Duggan b Tanner	10	C.Tarr st Sims b Saeed	4
*J.Kelly b J.Hudd	22	H.Veal b Duggan	53
S.Baxter b Tanner	2	L.Mitchell st Sims b Saeed	20
G.S.Starost b Robinson	16	J.Robinson b Saeed	2
N.Saeed b Robinson	10	J.Hudd Not Out	45
T.Whyte b Veal	40	J.Hughes c Baxter b Saeed	0
*L.Dugdale c Mitchell b Veal	19	S.Mitchell c Sims b N.R.Dugdale	10
T.M.Sims c Oakley b Veal	19	A.Tanner b N.R.Dugdale	0
J.Andrews Not Out	5	H.Robbins c & b Saeed	1
Absent		R.Hudd c Baxter b Whyte	9
Extras	24	Extras	15
Total	168	Total	142

Bowling: Duggan 5-1-33-2; Starost 2-0-14-0; Saeed 10-0-43-5; Whyte 6.4-0-25-1; N.R.Dugdale 4-0-19-2.

RESULT : WON BY 26 RUNS

INCOGNITI C. C. v MALMESBURY C.C.

THE ANTHONY RICHARDSON CUP

Current Holders: Malmesbury C.C.

Arranged: 2 Won: 0 Lost: 1 Drawn: 0 Unplayed: 1

Played at Malmesbury on 9th August 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		MALMESBURY C.C.	
*Y.Balasubramaniam b Cook	4	R.Gaunt Retired Out	79
N.Malik ct wkt b Lester	63	B.Oakley b Starost	4
K.Balasubramaniam b Cook	55	T.Blundell c Andrews b Y.B'maniam	23
N.Saeed b Toseland	10	J.Langley Retired Out	41
*L.Dugdale b Toseland	4	T.Kershan lbw b K.Balasubramaniam	26
G.S.Starost b Ward	23	A.Ward c ? b Whyte	2
S.Duggan b Lester	16	P.Cook b Whyte	0
*J.Kelly b Cook	18	B.Toseland Not Out	1
S.Baxter Not Out	23	M.Lester Not Out	4
T.Whyte b Ward	8	.....
J.Andrews DNB		t	
Extras	13	Extras	9
Total (for 9 wickets)	187	Total (for 4 wickets)	191

Bowling: Whyte 14-2-56-2; Starost 6-1-15-1; Malik 6-1-30-0; *Y.Balasubramaniam 4-0-30-1; Duggan 1-0-16-0; Baxter 1-0-14-0; K.Balasubramaniam 6-2-27-1.

RESULT : LOST BY 6 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C. C. v HINTON CHARTERHOUSE C.C.

Played at Hinton Charterhouse C.C. on 10th August 2018:-

HINTON CHARTERHOUSE C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
C.Antrobus c Drew b Eyre.....	73	N.Saeed b Clubbe.....	39
B.Hadfield c Duggan b Eyre	0	P.Lyes c Parfitt b Metcalfe	25
M.Parfitt c Starost b Malik.....	52	A.Drew c & b Metcalfe	12
White b Starost.....	1	S.Baxter c Cooling b Harden.....	15
W.Metcalfe b Starost.....	15	*L.Dugdale b Jacobs	26
J.De Lange b Eyre.....	0	*S.Eyre b Harden	8
J.Jacobs c Drew b Saeed	26	S.Duggan b Harden	15
G.Harden Not Out.....	21	N.Malik c Parfitt b Harden	2
H.Lee Run Out.....	0	G.S.Starost c & b Harden	0
Clubbe Not Out.....	9	T.Whyte Not Out.....	0
Cooling DNB		J.Andrews LBW b Jacobs.....	5
Extras.....	27	Extras	18
Total (for 8 wickets)	224	Total	165

Bowling : *Eyre 7-0-49-3; Whyte 5-0-37-0; Malik 7-0-43-1; Duggan 4-0-41-0; Starost 7-0-40-2; Saeed 2-0-16-1.

RESULT : LOST BY 59 RUNS

INCOGNITI C. C. v CHISWICK C.C.

Played at Chiswick C.C. on 12th August 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		CHISWICK C.C.	
N.Saeed b T.Harrison.....	4	H.Williams Retired Out.....	50
N.Malik LBW b Williams	0	E.Sykes Not Out.....	35
W.Lewis c Sehmi b T.Harrison.....	0	G.Swabey Not Out.....	6
D.Sehmi c Swaby b M.Harrison.....	14	A.Zende DNB	
I.Valibhoy b T.Harrison.....	1	M.Redfern DNB.....	
G.S.Starost b Williams.....	4	D.Hilton DNB	
#B.Lumm c Pearce b Hilton	4	R.Sehmi DNB	
T.R.G.Mason c Zende b Hilton.....	26	M.Harrison DNB.....	
P.S.Arnould c M.Harrison b Hilton....	16	T.Harrison DNB	
D.Boothroyd Not Out.....	13	J.Whiteside DNB.....	
M.G.O.Leighton b Whiteside.....	2	P.Pearce DNB	
Extras.....	9	Extras	6
Total	93	Total (for 1 wicket)	95

Bowling : Boothroyd 6-1-13-0; Starost 6-0-23-0; Leighton 4.3-0-31-0; Arnould 4-1-24-0.

RESULT : LOST BY 9 WICKETS

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



Played at Armoury House on 18th August 2018:-

H.A.C. C.C.	
R.Carter c K.Balasubramaniam b Naem	18
H.Lothan c Valibhoy b Whyte	17
L.Casey c Malik b Naem	72
T.Chappell Not Out	109
E.Haines Not Out	3
Dowie DNB	
Dhewan DNB	
Rajaratnam DNB	
Runkel DNB	
.....	
Extras	13
Total (for 3 wickets)	235

INCOGNITI C.C.	
N.Wood b Lothan	68
N.Malik c & b Carter	0
*Y.Balasubramaniam LBW b Runkel	68
K.Balasubramaniam b Lothan	7
*Y.Jackson Not Out	47
A.Naem b Runkel	3
I.Valibhoy b Runkel	3
K.Smith b Lothan	0
#D.McCaskell c? b Runkel	21
T.Whyte Not Out	6
T.M.Sims DNB	
Extras	13
Total (for 8 wickets)	236

Bowling : #McCaskell 8-0-29-0; Naem 13-1-53-2; Whyte 12-1-27-1; Smith 11-2-64-0;
*Jackson 6-0-56-0.

RESULT : WON BY 2 WICKETS

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

Moving from the original ground at Henley-on-Thames to the beautiful venue of Harpsden Cricket Club 1 mile outside Henley was an inspired move by the Foresters. The immaculate flat outfield nestled in between the golf club and the rolling downs cut a dashing sight for any cricketer on their approach to the pavilion.

At 11.43 Incogniti took to the field and kept the Foresters (I use the abbreviated term for the opposition endearingly) under lock and key. Oliver Wood (15 yo) took the new ball with H. Smith. Both bowled with pace and Wood was getting the ball to swing. The first wicket fell in the 3rd over to Wood caught behind by Alex Smith for 1 run. His namesake Woods from the Foresters made 4 and he was second out to Wood with the score on 11.



(Left: Oliver Wood being congratulated by Nick Wood (no relation I think..)

Incogniti started well on what looked a good batting wicket but there was always something in it for the bowlers. Wood due to age restrictions completed his spell of 6 overs taking 2-5 with 3 maidens. The strength of the Incogniti bowling continued. Young Smith continued his fine pace and bounce without reward of wickets but looked strong as an opening bowler playing his club cricket for Shepherd's Bush. He finished off his 10 overs 0-29.

Meanwhile at the other end young Billy Blyghton (son of Steve) was bowling his leg breaks and googlies with accuracy. He started with a maiden and in his first seven overs bowled a total of 4 maidens which was a very solid effort on a good batting track which did not offer a lot of turn. At the other end Steve Starost

bowled well off his five overs and then on came Ilya Kronic whose medium pace kept the Foresters batsmen guessing on both pace and subtle changes in line. Kronic was the pick of the bowlers taking 3-24 runs off 6 overs accounting for the opener Dickinson who scored a well-crafted 65.

It was good to see some father and son combinations for Incogniti in the names of Blyghton and Smith. Steve and his two sons play cricket at Highgate with Steve taking the wicket of P. Smith for 68 and the Smiths from Kent made the long trip to represent the Club and performed to the highest standard.

The Foresters however had some real fire power still in the middle order. P. Smith (not related) played a well organised innings of 68 with some solid looking shots to the boundary on a number of occasions and Birkett with a dashing 25 at the end before being run out for 25 took the Foresters score onto 199 for 8 off 48 overs. A timely declaration at 15.49 left Incogniti enough time to chase down the score.

Incogniti started at 15.59 with Nick Wood and B. Smith. The pair put on 70 runs for the first wicket which was just the required start. Wood was out for 31 but the run chase continued with Billy Blyghton playing a superb, well-measured innings of 78 facing 104 balls in 110 minutes. It was solid, risk free and ably supported by B. Smith who conjured 47 runs from very tight opposition bowling.

From 70-1 to 163 for 3. The total was being chased down. Unfortunately a loss of four middle order wickets for 22 runs marginally reduced the impact of this victory but it was left to Billy Blyghton and Ilya Kronic to see Incogniti CC through to a win by 4 wickets off 40 overs having had 2 hours and 2 minutes of batting.



Smith Senior finishing his innings of 47

Incogniti's sincere thanks go to Harpsden CC for their hospitality, wonderful catering and beautifully prepared wicket and ground. A super Mum, Dad and Son combination with the son captaining the Foresters. Thanks also to the Free Foresters for their opposition and the manner in which they played the fixture. On a lighter note I don't believe I have seen so many Smiths, Blyghtons and Woods as cricketers and names on both opposition sides!

Tony Wood

Played at Harpsden C.C. on 22nd August 2018:-

FREE FORESTERS C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
L.Dickinson c B.Blyghton b Kronic...	65	N.Wood b Stanley	31
N.Turk c A.Smith b O.Wood	1	#B.Smith c Smith b Woods	47
R.Wood c A.Smith b O.Wood.....	4	*B.Blyghton Not Out.....	78
N.Hadcock LBW b D.Blyghton	11	A.Smith c E.Birkett b Ticehurst.....	8
P.Smith b S.Blyghton.....	68	#H.Smith LBW b Sreenivasan.....	14
B.Oduwole c A.Smith b Kronic	1	G.S.Starost c E.Birkett b Sreenivasan....	0
E.Birkett Run Out	25	*O.Wood c & b Stanley.....	0
M.Stanley st A.Smith b Kronic	0	I.Kronic Not Out	4
J.Ticehurst Not Out.....	8	*S.Blyghton DNB	
A.Sreenivasan Not Out.....	1	S.Bowry DNB	
R.Birkett DNB		*D.Blyghton DNB.....	
Extras	15	Extras	18
Total (for 8 wickets)	199	Total (for 6 wickets).....	200

Bowling: *O.Wood 6-3-5-2; #H.Smith 10-2-29-0; *D.Blyghton 11-4-40-1; Starost 5-0-26-0; *S.Blyghton 7-0-46-1; Kronic 6-1-24-3; Bowry 2-0-12-0; N.Wood 1-0-9-0.

RESULT : WON BY 4 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C.C. v STOICS C.C.

Played at Finchley C.C. on 24th August 2018:-

STOICS C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
Y.Bharadia Retired Out.....	135	N.Wood c B.Pow b Oduwole	69
B.Powe LBW b Wakeford	5	P.Lyes c T.Powe b Taylor-Yeats	10
A.Bharadia Retired Out.....	62	S.Bardon c Y.Bharadia b Mumford.....	10
W.Leggett c Wakeford b D.Blyghton.	4	I.Valibhoy LBW b B.Powe.....	0
G.Leggett Run Out.....	19	*B.Blyghton c Y.Bharadia b T.Powe....	67
G.Taylor-Yeats c & b Pegler.....	1	I.Krunic Not Out	30
W.Mumford b B.Blyghton	2	B.Wakeford Not Out	42
B.Oduwole b B.Blyghton.....	0	*D.Blyghton DNB.....	
T.Powe Not Out.....	4	*S.Blyghton DNB	
B.Sears DNB.....		J.De Silva DNB	
.....		T.Pegler DNB.....	
Extras.....	12	Extras	17
Total (for 8 wickets)	244	Total (for 5 wickets).....	245

Bowling: *S.Blyghton 9-3-33-0; Wakeford 7-1-34-1; Pegler 13-0-85-1; *D.Blyghton 11-0-83-1; *B.Blyghton 2.1-1-2-2.

RESULT : WON BY 5 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C.C. v MERSTHAM C.C.

Played at Merstham C.C. on 2nd September 2018:-

INCOGNITI C.C.		MERSTHAM C.C.	
#H.Nadir c Nicholson b Maplesden ...	1	L.Nicholson b Boothroyd	27
#K.Mehrotra c & b Khan	0	B.Baker b Khan.....	8
*J.Kelly c & b Carrick	39	R.Hardman c ? b Boothroyd.....	4
S.Bowry c ? b Khan	56	Liton c ? b Khan.....	0
P.Lyes c & b Darrie.....	11	G.Corrie LBW b Boothroyd.....	9
T.R.G.Mason c ? b Khan.....	23	W.Preston LBW b Arnould.....	7
K.Balasubramaniam c Carrick b Khan	2	A.Maplesden b Karthik	8
*Y.Jackson b Hardman	34	F.Carrick b Arnould	18
P.S.Arnould b Khan	0	A.Sathya c ? b Nadir.....	14
I.Khan b Maplesden.....	4	A.Khan b Jackson.....	9
D.Boothroyd Not Out.....	8	T.Rickards Not Out	11
.....		T.Kenney c ? b Karthik.....	10
Extras.....	21	Extras	15
Total	199	Total	148

Bowling: Boothroyd 7-0-36-3; Khan 6-0-24-1; Arnould 6-1-26-2; #Karthik 5.2-1-9-2; *Jackson 6-0-29-1; #Nadir 4-1-13-1.

RESULT : WON BY 51 RUNS

INCOGNITI C.C. v HIGHGATE C.C.

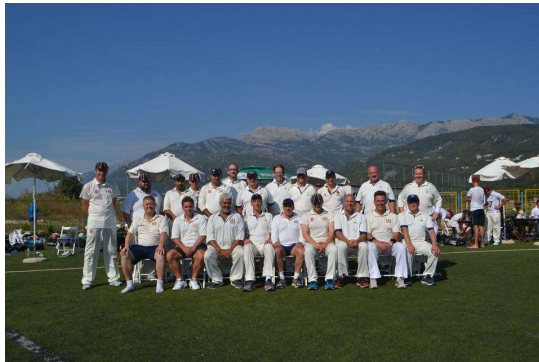
Played at Shepherd's Cot on 7th September 2018:-

HIGHGATE C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
C.Anil b Whyte	38	A.Leat c Newton b Gallagher.....	33
C.Fletcher c Leat b Wakeford	0	P.Lyes b Gallagher	22
R.Harrison LBW b Wood.....	21	A.Naeem b Blyghton.....	1
R.Gillham b Wakeford.....	10	A.G.Wood Run Out.....	5
N.Shelley-Smith c & b Jackson.....	22	A.Smith b Gallagher.....	9
C.Gallagher LBW b Whyte.....	0	*Y.Jackson c & b Anil.....	57
S.Ball c Naeem b Jackson	57	B.Wakeford b Gallagher.....	36
S.Rawson b Jackson.....	21	T.Whyte c Shelley-Smith b Anil.....	0
J.De Silva Run Out.....	20	P.D.Furness Not Out	12
J.Newton Not Out	1	M.G.O.Leighton Not Out	4
S.Blyghton Not Out.....	1	#S.Khan DNB.....	.....
Extras	19	Extras	22
Total (for 9 wickets)	210	Total (for 8 wickets).....	201

Bowling: #Khan 2.3-1-4-0; Wakeford 8-0-40-2; Wood 5.3-1-27-1; Whyte 10-3-25-2; *Jackson 14.5-0-56-3; Leighton 7-0-37-0; Smith 1-0-10-0.

RESULT : MATCH DRAWN

THE BALKAN BASH



Where to start with this one! My Tour started at 3a.m. as soon as I arrived at Gatwick. Unlike me, Leaky had decided sleep was superfluous to requirements and had cracked on through the night. My full English had already been washed down with a Guinness, and Leaky ensured that another couple of pints would be consumed to help us sleep on the flight... Sign of things to come..

After a day acclimatizing, it was down to business on the Friday. Our first fixture was against Old Hors. Incogs lost the toss and Hors decided to bat. I'm not sure they were quite expecting what followed, as a succession of balls varying from a length to quite a bit short of a length from Khan, Boothroyd, Wakeford and Birtles whistled past the Hors batsmen at between the navel and three metres over the head! The Montenegrin strip was at its most lively and the Incog bowlers were struggling to adjust to the only safe length, the half volley or fuller!

Things came to a head when Birtles, through no fault of his own bar being the fourth bowler in succession to provide chin music, was reprimanded by the Hors skipper. Various people became involved in a lively discussion of the rules, the spirit, our competence, and their manhood, but it was eventually agreed that we would try to pitch it up a bit more. Birtles duly obliged with a fuller half volley, which the Hors skipper duly dispatched for six. A lesson in how much rope to give batsmen for the young fast bowler!

In between the short stuff, and the frequent 'no balls' and free hits which ensued, Hors had managed to keep up a healthy scoring rate of over 7 an over in the first 10 overs. Partly because of this, and partly to avoid more throat ball controversy, the spinners were introduced. Wood, Bowry and Arnould shared the remaining overs and did wonderfully well to restrict the Hors to just over 150.

As was soon to become the pattern of the tournament, Incogs got off to an excellent start with Woods and Mason both reaching 40+ in their own very contrasting styles. Wood all elegant drives and pulls, Mason carving meatily between point and mid-off! A wobble in the middle was steadied by Khan and Wakeford striking some long high blows and Incogs were home and dry with a couple of overs to spare.

An immediate turnaround saw Incogs playing Czech side Varianault. While the result was ultimately very similar, this was a sterner test which could have gone other ways without a few key interventions. The first of these was provided by tour manager Wakeford, who made up for a wayward start by removing the dangerous and self-confident Muharroof. A classic double bluff of placing two fielders out at deep square, followed by a fuller ball to remove Muharroof's off peg when he was clearly set for the hook.

The next significant intervention was made by Arnould, with help from the faith of his skipper, and the safe hands of Khan. Varianault's star player Vivek had planted Phil's first five deliveries for 22 runs, the sixth was again bravely flighted, but was heading for another maximum at square leg before Khan intercepted the ball brilliantly on the run. Wicket purchased, at just about a price worth paying. Bowry and Wood then came on and made relatively short work of the players remaining. Varianault also ended up posting just over 150.

Another solid start from Mason and Wood, both posting 30s this time, set the scene for some more fireworks from Khan. A brief wobble again in the middle order, mainly caused by some excellent leg spin, left the result in doubt, but this time Bowry and Assad Naem saw us home with some classy strokeplay with about an over to spare.

This win was particularly well received as it meant we were in the final and therefore not on again until 3pm the following day. Great scope therefore for evening entertainment and Incogs' specialists in this did not disappoint. Gordon in particular led from the front. Having drained most of the free drink during the day (he had clearly explained to on field skipper Sunny Bowry that this was his intention) Gordon kicked on well into the night and was only finished off by Norman's Pear Rakki (and clear instructions to p*ss off upstairs and go to sleep). Other tour members, who will remain nameless for reasons of discretion were reported at the casino in Kotor as well as a nightclub in Budva (which is nearly 2 hours away from our base in Perast). Despite all this, everyone reported present for finals day.

Incogs were paired in the final with a team from Liverpool. As they had played their games on the Thursday our first view of them was late on the Friday evening as they came down to assess us. While we knew they had won both their heats, the sight of them playing headers and volleys half cut and in Hawaiian shirts had led us to believe the final might be quite easy. It was of course far from that.

Boothroyd and his Chiswick posy accounted for 3 of the Scousers very early on (ct Mason b Boothroyd twice, plus another catch for Arnould), but Khan was out of sorts with the ball and the Scousers' muscular and hirsute number 3 took advantage with some classy shots. He was given ugly but effective support from 'Paul' who rode his luck to whack a rapid 30-odd. Bowry (leading Incog wicket taker), Wood and Arnould, with great support from the catching of Birtles, accounted for quite a few of the Scouse middle order, but the runs never stopped ticking and when their number 3 returned to smash a few more at the end, Incogs were facing a total of 170 to win.

This should have been a daunting total, especially after a rare 'failure' from Mason who was bowled by a grubber early on. However, Wood and Khan kept us rattling along despite some good seam bowling. Wood again scored 40+ (making him leading run scorer for us) and Khan hit our first 50* retired in brutal fashion. Many of the many sixes he hit would have been sixes on any ground, and the sheer speed of his innings effectively won us the game (and him our man of the tournament award). Once Wood was out and Khan retired it was left to the class and experience of Bowry and the brutality and experience of Wakeford to see us home with about 8 balls to spare. A great chase, fine final, and silverware for Incogniti C.C.!

So that was the 'serious' cricket, but what about the rest. I've not the time, knowledge of, or permission, to list all that went on, so I'll list Finemaster Mason's fines to give you a flavour:

Norm 5 ball overs and claiming he counted 7

Norm asking for scoreboard every over before scorer has finished scoring the over

Phil crawling on the floor with trousers down whilst fielding, bowling 22 off 1 over then batting out a maiden

Phil refusing catch off free hit, then debating with the whole team about it whilst they take a run

Sunny for taking Phil off after taking wicket last ball in over and Sunny 2 over throws pretending he was 21 again and should have been sent off for throwing the ball at the umpire's head (Norman)

Immi & Sunny arriving at ground in cricket kit ready to play

Immi & Gordon for talking whilst bowler running in

Immi doing a warm up lap to intimidate oppo in final

Assad chesting the ball whilst batting and getting a duck after waiting 98 runs to get in to bat

Tim "Sun in eyes" refusals

Woody for dropped catch, especially for saying he couldn't think of us dropping any all day

Woody for denying Gordon a game all day

Leaky 2 non-mobile refusals and leaving the ball in a T20

Gordon thanks for coming and trying to take a stool sample off phil in the night

Birtles for dropping the cat Gordon threw at him in bed and bullying adults with his bowling and wearing a sleeping eye mask

Boothroyd & Birtles impersonating batsmen on the team photo

Boothroyd failing to buy host Norman a pastry for breakfast and whinging about Immi getting 2 lots of 4 overs "golden child"

Wakeford for bowling bouncers in a friendly and insisting the batsmen wore helmets so he could bowl more

Wakeford sliding for the ball, great throw to keeper, only to realise 9 yards outside the boundary

3 missed hat-trick opportunities!

Ian for faking injury to not play and stealing the trophy

Great fun, huge thanks to all involved, especially Norm who did so much to set it up, and somehow managed to put up with us all!

Roll on Serbia if we decide to defend our title :-)

Ben Wakeford

INCOGNITI C.C. v OLD HORS C.C.

(1st Round)

Played at Jaz Beach on 20th September 2018:-

OLD HORS C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
D.Fritton b Wakeford	13	T.R.G.Mason c & b Richardson	45
M.Jones b Khan	14	A.G.Wood c & b Jones	42
P.Richardson c Sims b Wakeford.....	0	A.Naeem c? Jones	0
J.Lovell st Sims b Wood	22	B.Birtles Run Out.....	4
E.Walters Not Out.....	36	B.Wakeford Not Out	18
R.Cant Run Out.....	5	I.Khan Not Out.....	0
B.Robertson c Sims b Bowry	3	S.Bowry DNB	0
G.Kerr Not Out	2	T.M.Sims DNB	0
.....		P.S.Arnould DNB.....	0
.....		G.Robinson DNB	0
.....		D.Boothroyd DNB.....	0
Extras	22	Extras	22
Total (for 6 wickets)	126	Total (for 4 wickets).....	130

Bowling:Boothroyd 2-1-5-0; Khan 4-0-25-1; Wakeford 3-0-16-2; Birtles 1-0-13-0; Arnould 4-0-29-0; Wood 4-0-18-1; Bowry 2-0-16-1.

RESULT : WON BY 6 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C.C. v VARIANAULT C.C.

(2nd Round)

Played at Jaz Beach on 21st September 2018:-

VARIANAULT C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
R.Probst LBW b Khan	12	T.R.G.Mason c? b Taylor.....	30
Muharroof b Wakeford	24	A.G.Wood c? b Simon.....	30
Shaun c? b Wakeford.....	12	I.Khan c? b Taylor.....	33
Vivek c? b Arnould.....	34	B.Wakeford c? b Simon	9
Vosta c? b Bowry.....	7	S.Bowry Not Out.....	12
Paul st Sims b Bowry.....	0	A.Naeem Not Out.....	13
Brigham c? b Arnould	24	B.Birtles DNB.....	0
Benji c? b Bowry	2	T.M.Sims DNB	0
David LBW b Wood	7	P.S.Arnould DNB.....	0
Simon Not Out.....	7	G.Robinson DNB	0
Paul S Not Out	3	D.Boothroyd DNB.....	0
Extras	23	Extras	33
Total (for 9 wickets)	157	Total (for 5 wickets).....	160

Bowling:Boothroyd 4-0-30-1; Khan 4-0-24-1; Wakeford 3-0-13-2; Arnould 2-0-26-1; Bowry 3-0-15-3; Wood 4-0-30-1.

RESULT : WON BY 5 WICKETS

INCOGNITI C.C. v NEW VICTORIA C.C. (Final)

Played at Jaz Beach on 22nd September 2018:-

NEW VICTORIA C.C.		INCOGNITI C.C.	
J.Sawbridge Jr. c Mason b Boothroyd	0	T.R.G.Mason b J.Sawbridge Jr.....	12
M.Howard c? b Arnould	34	A.G.Wood c? b Mills.....	20
C.Walker c Arnould b Boothroyd	7	I.Khan Not Out.....	51
B.Mills c Mason b Boothroyd.....	1	S.Bowry c? b Williams.....	25
J.Howard Not Out.....	63	A.Naeem b Howard.....	14
P.Sawbridge c Sims b Wood.....	28	B.Wakeford Not Out.....	28
J.Sawbridge Sr. c Birtles b Bowry	4	P.S.Arnould LBW b Williams.....	0
C.Williams LBW b Wood.....	0	B.Birtles LBW b Williams	14
M.Simpson c Birtles b Bowry.....	4	T.M.Sims DNB .....	.....
O.Jamieson Not Out.....	1	G.Robinson DNB .....	.....
M.Hindmarsh DNB.....	.....	D.Boothroyd DNB.....	.....
Extras.....	27	Extras	34
Total (for 8 wickets).....	169	Total (for 6 wickets).....	172

Bowling:Boothroyd 3-0-19-3; Khan 4-0-25-0; Arnould 3-0-32-1; Wakeford 3-0-13-0;
4-1-40-2; Bowry 3-0-17-2.

Wood

RESULT : WON BY 4 WICKETS



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

One of the highlights of an Incogniti season is a trip to the Home of Cricket in leafy St. John's Wood to do battle with the Cross Arrows on the delightful Nursery Ground. The day dawned bright and sunny and the suitably blazered and tied Incog contingent viewed a typical flat Nursery deck and the possibility of plenty of leather-chasing on this notoriously fast-scoring ground.

Incogs' skipper 'Kaps' Balasubramaniam duly won the toss and sportingly offered first use of the wicket to our hosts. Fraser Stewart and partner Gimber sallied forth to face the Incogs' opening attack of Dave Boothroyd and candidate Steve Blyghton, an excellent left-arm seamer with many years of experience playing for the Finchley 1st XI. The Incog scorer, having arrived literally just before the start due to some inconsiderate lorry driver deciding to ram a local railway bridge thus causing havoc with train services, could be forgiven for thinking that his glasses needed cleaning due to the strange events unfolding before him and worthy colleague Vic Devers. Instead of the normal guns blazing, ball disappearing to all parts of this lovely small ground, we were treated to one of the finest spells of new-ball bowling seen by an Incog attack for many years. A score of 25-0 after 7 overs is unheard of on the Nursery and this was entirely due to the excellence of Messrs. Boothroyd and Blyghton. The opening breach was made by Blyghton the following over when Tom Whyte safely held the chance offered by Gimber. The arrival of Geldenhuys sparked an increase in the run rate but Blyghton, meanwhile, was still giving absolutely nothing away from the Academy End after Boothroyd was rested and completed his 9 overs for a miserly 28 runs – a truly superb spell of bowling.

The Cross Arrows' score passed 100 with Geldenhuys completing a fine 50 before the introduction of Phil Arnould's canny off-spin removed him for 54. Sam Bardon chipped in almost immediately by removing Fraser when in sight of fifty and the home middle order then underwent a collapse with Arnould its perpetrator. Bell and Mannick both went in quick succession, the former due to a superb Kaps run out. Matters improved slightly for the Arrows through Ali (33) and Evans (24) until Arnould got into the act again by dismissing Ali and then another magnificent Kaps run out sent Evans on his way to make the score 162-6. Tom Whyte then bagged a wicket and the returning Boothroyd cleaned out the tail to leave Incogs the unprecedented target of 195 for a famous victory. It has to be said that all the Incog bowlers performed magnificently and the fielding backed the bowlers brilliantly with the skipper's two run outs notable highlights.

The Incogs' reply followed a similar pattern with Ben Birtles and Rav Sehmi needing to be watchful against some steady bowling from Cannon and Ali. It was the introduction of Bell that made the first breach with Sehmi falling for 28. The arrival of resident airline pilot Nick Wood increased the momentum with some excellent strokeplay and the score was 99 when Ali sparked a mini-collapse by dismissing Wood for 39 and Smith without scoring. Birtles, meanwhile, was still batting solidly in his role as anchorman until departing for a fine 36. The ensuing (and ultimately match-winning) partnership between the skipper and Tom Mason was a study in contrasting styles. On the one hand we had the fluent elegance of Kaps paired with the more firm-footed striking of his partner Mason. Collectively it was a most effective union and 71 splendid runs resulted from the partnership before Evans claimed Mason for 38 and victory was achieved in the penultimate over with Kaps unbeaten on 49.

This had been a magnificent performance by the Club and much enjoyed by the two scorers and spectators. Afterwards, crisp ones were downed at length outside the Academy bar before a trip up the road to a splendid Indian restaurant; a fitting end to a memorable day.

Peter Wiseman (scorer)

Played at Lord's Nursery Ground on 25th September 2018:-

CROSS ARROWS C.C.	
F.L.Stewart b Bardon	48
H.Gimber c Whyte b Blyghton	16
A.Geldenhuis c Blyghton b Arnould.	54
C.Bell Run Out.....	0
J.Mannick b Arnould.....	0
K.Ali b Arnould.....	33
D.Evans Run Out	24
O.Meyes b Whyte	1
S.Maloney b Boothroyd.....	8
M.Cannon Not Out.....	9
P.Knappett b Boothroyd.....	0
Extras	2
Total	195

INCOGNITI C.C.	
B.A.Birtles b Knappett	36
R.Sehmi c Meyes b Bell	28
N.G.M.Wood LBW b Ali.....	39
A.G.B.Smith LBW b Ali.....	0
K.Balasubramaniam Not Out.....	49
T.R.G.Mason c Bell b Evans	38
S.J.Bardon Not Out	0
P.S.Arnould DNB.....	
D.Boothroyd DNB.....	
T.J.Whyte DNB.....	
S.A.Blyghton DNB.....	
Extras	8
Total (for 5 wickets).....	198

Bowling:Boothroyd 7.5-2-24-2; Blyghton 9-1-28-1; Whyte 9-0-55-1; Bardon 8-0-57-1; Arnould 9-1-31-3.

RESULT : WON BY 5 WICKETS



BATTING AVERAGES OF MEMBERS

(QUALIFICATION 3 COMPLETED INNINGS)

	Matches	Inns.	N.O.	Runs	H.S.	Avgc	C.	St.
S. King	6	5	2	145	52*	48.33	0	
N. Wood	7	7	0	336	69	48.00	0	
R. Sehmi	4	4	0	189	86	47.25	0	
S. Bardon	5	5	2	122	103*	40.67	3	
I. Khan	11	10	3	268	63	38.29	1	
S. Bowry	11	9	1	304	79	38.00	2	
B. Wakeford	7	7	3	141	42*	35.25	2	
P. Lyes	16	15	0	514	115	34.27	1	
K. Balasubramaniam	9	8	1	216	55	30.86	4	2
A.G. Wood	13	12	2	257	62	25.70	3	
T. Whyte	12	8	4	96	40	24.00	2	
N. Malik	20	18	5	311	63	23.92	4	
T.R.G. Mason	10	10	0	212	45	21.20	4	
N. Saeed	17	14	0	254	56	18.14	4	
S. Baxter	4	4	1	51	23*	17.00	4	1
P.S. Arnould	16	8	2	84	22*	14.00	5	
S. Duggan	4	3	0	41	16	13.67	1	
S. Razvi	7	6	0	74	26	12.33	0	
T.M. Sims	12	6	2	46	19	11.50	5	6
B. Birtles	10	7	0	72	36	10.29	3	
A. Naeem	11	8	1	67	18	9.573		
G.S. Starost	7	7	1	55	23	9.171		
A. Smith	4	4	0	22	9	5.503		2
I. Valibhoy	7	7	1	33	29	5.501		

The following Members also played. M.Jennings (40), A.Leat (33-1c), D.Sehmi (50,14), J.Green (8,5,0*-2c), D.Boothroyd (7dnb,1*,3,13*,8*), N.R.Dugdale (5dnb,6r,0*,1*,12-5c), P.A.B.Beecroft (13), A.Drew (12-2c), T.Deighton(11,1-1c), B.Bell (21,0-1c), N.C.Beecroft (10), T.Gadsby (9,4), M.G.O.Leighton (2,4*), J.Andrews (0,5*,dnb,5-1c), T.Pegler (0*-2c), *N.Pugh (95*), J.Grylls (0), J.Kronic (30*,4*), J.De Silva (dnb), K.Smith (dnb,0), W.Lewis (0), R.J.F.Tiemey (dnb), P.D.Furness (12*), J.Ritchie (0*), A.Padhani (0-1c).

BOWLING AVERAGES OF MEMBERS

(QUALIFICATION 5 WICKETS)

	Overs	M'dns	Runs	Wkts.	Avge.
A. Padhani	5	0	18	5	3.60
B. Wakeford	36	3	164	11	14.91
S. Bowry	28	0	181	9	20.11
D. Boothroyd	74	13	334	15	22.27
N. Malik	115	8	597	26	22.96
A. Naeem	39	4	186	8	23.25
N. Saeed	27	0	192	7	27.43
P.S. Arnould	92	10	473	16	29.56
K. Balasubramaniam	28	4	148	5	29.60
A.G. Wood	50	6	272	9	30.22
I. Khan	53	3	255	8	31.88
G.S. Starost	54	3	249	7	35.57
T. Whyte	102	17	401	8	36.45
T. Pegler	46	1	235	5	47.00

Also bowled. K. Smith (16-2-115-0), M.G.O. Leighton (11-0-68-0), S. Razvi (3-0-20-0), P. Lyes (5-0-39-0), N. Wood (3-0-27-0), A. Smith (1-0-10-0), R. Sehmi (3-0-37-0), R.J.F. Tierney (5-0-63-0), S. Baxter (1-0-14-0), I. Kronic (6-1-24-3), S. King (10-0-53-2), I. Valibhoy (2-0-22-1), J. Grylls (23-5-92-4), B. Birtles (24-4-116-4), N.R. Dugdale (21-0-121-3), S. Bardon (25-1-124-3), B. Bell (6-0-48-1), I. Robinson (12-2-51-1), S. Duggan (13-1-118-2).

BATTING AVERAGES OF CANDIDATES

WHO HAVE BEEN ELECTED MEMBERS

	Matches	Innings	N.O.	Runs	H.S.	Avge.	C. ST.
Y. Jackson	3	3	1	138	57	69.00	1
B. Blyghton	4	4	1	177	78*	59.00	1
P. Pearce*	2	1	0	46	46	46.00	1 1
E. Ince	6	5	1	137	56	34.25	
D. Blyghton	4	1	0	33	33	33.00	1
Y. Balasubramaniam	4	4	0	130	68	32.50	
J. Kelly	5	5	0	128	41	25.60	2
S. Eyre	3	2	0	38	30	19.00	
L. Dugdale	12	10	2	112	26	14.00	2
L. Nicholson*	1	1	0	10	10	10.00	
O. Wood	4	4	0	18	18	4.50	1
B. Sharp*	1	1	1	6	6*	-	

BOWLING AVERAGES OF CANDIDATES

WHO HAVE BEEN ELECTED MEMBERS

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wickets	Average
B. Sharp*	7	1	46	0	-
O. Wood	20	5	43	5	8.60
S. Eyre	21	1	94	4	23.50
E. Ince	30	4	125	5	25.00
Y. Balasubramaniam	12	1	57	2	28.50
B. Blyghton	10	1	59	2	29.50
Y. Jackson	26	0	141	4	35.25
S. Blyghton	43	6	161	4	40.25
D. Blyghton	36	5	220	4	55.00

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

NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCES

BATTING

S. King.....	52	v Scorpions
P. Lyes.....	50	v Western Province
I. Khan.....	63	v Groot Drakenstein
N. Wood.....	60	v Groot Drakenstein
*E. Ince.....	56	v Garden Old Boys
P. Lyes.....	69*	v Garden Old Boys
I. Khan.....	53	v Claremont
#B. Smith.....	56	v Dulwich College
N. Pugh.....	95	v Jesus College
P. Lyes.....	115	v Jesus College
N. Malik.....	60*	v Hampshire Hogs
R. Sehmi.....	51	v Royal Household
D. Sehmi.....	50	v Royal Household
*Y. Balasubramaniam.....	58	v Royal Household
#Y. Herath.....	133*	v Royal Navy
S. Bardon.....	103*	v Royal Navy
N. Saeed.....	56	v Oratory School
S. Bowry.....	70	v Oratory School
P. Lyes.....	65	v Merstham
R. Sehmi.....	86	v Millers
A.G. Wood.....	62	v Old Leightonians
#P. Brown.....	59	v Budleigh Salterton
#H. Nadir.....	82	v Beckenham
S. Bowry.....	79	v Beckenham
N. Malik.....	63	v Malmesbury
K. Balasubramaniam.....	55	v Malmesbury
N. Wood.....	68	v H.A.C.
*Y. Balasubramaniam.....	68	v H.A.C.
B. Blyghton.....	78	v Free Foresters
N. Wood.....	69	v Stoics
*B. Blyghton.....	67	v Stoics
*Y. Jackson.....	57	v Highgate
I. Khan.....	51*	v New Victoria

BOWLING

P.S. Arnould.....	4 for 36	v Claremont
N. Malik.....	4 for 37	v Oratory School
A. Padhani.....	5 for 18	v Merstham
G.S. Starost.....	4 for 79	v Wiltshire Queries
N. Saeed.....	5 for 43	v Trowbridge

INCOGNITI GOLF SOCIETY

Sadly, 2018 marked the end of an era for Incog golf with our last, and possibly oldest, remaining fixture being cancelled by Tandridge shortly before the scheduled date. Whilst this was most disappointing, but perhaps not totally surprising, the Incogs (enhanced by the Grannies) are still involved with the Quadrangular match at Royal Porthcawl and the annual Summer Meeting continues, with the support of a few guests.

The results of these two events are shown below where it will be noted that the Grancogs, after winning the Trophy in 2017, this year finished with the Wooden Spoon !

The Summer Meeting was again reasonably well attended, this year with the support of a few guests; and this will again be the format in 2019 with Peter Crowcroft sharing with me the management duties. I would therefore urge all golfing members to support this meeting, with or without guests, failing which this could precipitate the end of Incog golf altogether.

PLEASE NOTE THE REVISED DATE FOR THE SUMMER MEETING

Peter will also manage the Quadrangular Match and take over the Secretaryship of the Golf Society, a role I have assumed for more years than I can care to remember.

I'm sure all Incog golfers wish Peter the best of luck, and I take this opportunity of thanking all members for their support and help for so many years.

MATCH RESULTS 2018

QUADRANGULAR MATCH AT ROYAL PORTHCAWL

The Grancogs halved their first round match with the XL Club but lost on a count back; the following day, we picked up the Wooden Spoon after being heavily beaten by the Free Foresters. The XL Club beat the MCC to win the decanter thus achieving a complete turnaround from last year when the Grancogs were victorious.

SUMMER MEETING

<u>Singles</u> - <u>Incogs</u>	1 st Peter Crowcroft	42 Points
	2 nd Michael Estorick	39 Points
	3 rd Michael Hickman	39 Points
<u>Guests</u>	1 st Phil Huby	44 Points
	2 nd Tim Begg	42 Points
<u>Foursomes (12 Holes)</u>	1 st Chris Walker & John Le Grys	25 Points
	2 nd Geoff Bond & Warwick Armstrong	21 Points

John Trumper
Hon. Secretary, Golf.

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.