



Intro

Thermals were not needed at the weekend as we got some early season sunshine, despite the thick volcanic ash which has rendered the UK air industry as effective as a chocolate tea pot. SCCC are fully involved in the retaliation against Iceland, and have agreed to Ronnie Masters being sent to Reykjavík as "Ash Tsar". Updates to follow.

Reports

Saturday

Ed and Carlo opened against Fives on Saturday after they won the toss (in their changing room!). They both got some valuable time at the middle. Once Carl fell for a well paced fifty the innings began to lose momentum; Madhav (15 or so) began to get the tempo up, before Paul, Boris and Cam scored quickly, running hard to help us reach 167 off our 40 overs.

Once Mark Sayers had finished moaning about the lack of a second new ball, he opened the bowling for us, with Cam at the other end. Mark bowled tight (2 an over) whilst Cam got a couple of wickets (don't use them all up in pre-season!). Carl added a bit more pace to the attack, but this was just easier to hit on a fairly flat wicket. Less pace was called for and H was the man, on the spot, picking up two more wickets at under 2 an over off his 8. We finished off with the spin of Lal and Paul and combined with so good fielding restricted Fives to 160-5 off their 40 to win the first match of the season.

Sunday

Sunday saw us lend Harrow Weald the Piersons to make up their 11. Keith opened with Ben, an early candidate for run out of the season. The bowler thought he'd taken the edge of Ben's bat, yelling "yes". Ben, somehow unable to detect the difference between the deep voice of the bowler and Keith's, set off for a run. The keeper threw down the stumps and Ben was out – on the plus Boris can breathe a sigh of relief, he'll have to do something special to beat that one! Keith batted on to score a 50 before blaming fatigue when Timmy got him out! Newcomer Livo and Leroy shared an excellent stand with Liam finally managing to time a ball properly once he reached his 50, to get us to 193.

Unfortunately Harrow Weald struggled with the bat and were no match for our bowling attack. Rhodesy was on the spot as ever, Growler bowled well and another newcomer, Graham, showed promise with 4 wickets. Rob, also playing his first game for Compton claimed his first wickets with some wily leg-spin and Matrix showed good control with his off spin.

Teamshee		Saturday 24 th April	
Team	1 st XI – Home	2 nd XI	
Opponent	South Hampstead	No game	
Start Time	2.00pm		
Meet	1.00pm		
Ground	Hadley Field		
Directions			
	K Walker	Captain	
	R Patel	Rope off Wicket	
	L Frame	Outside Tables	
	C Wallis	Scorebox	
	D Rhodes	Rope off Wicket	
	B Shearly	Rope off Wicket	
	M Vulimiri	Tea Tables	
	R Fahey	Outside Tables	
	A Heaney	Boundary	
	L Perera	Screens	
	A Grayson	Screens/Match fees	
Umpire	Masters		
Scorer			
Available			

		Sunday 25 th April	
Team	Sunday XI – Home		
Opponent	Hadley Wood Green		
Start Time	2.00pm		
Meet	1.00pm		
Ground	Hadley Field		
Directions			
Team	A Grayson	Captain	
	D Anderson	Bar	
	R Handcoks	Scorebox	
	L Frame	Rope off Wicket	
	M Aerts	Rope off Wicket	
	E Puddick	Tea Tables	
	H Williams	Outside Tables	
	T Lovell	Boundary	
	G Pierson	Screens	
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	<i>A Colt</i>	Boundary	
Umpire	Masters		
Scorer	Any volunteers?		



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