

## Mayfield Saturdays vs Bamville



6<sup>th</sup> May 2017



Steve Jeffery

**Congratulations to Steve for writing and delivering the fastest ever match report!!**

**Bamville 214-7d**

**Mayfield Some runs for Some wickets**

**Match Drawn**

A fine afternoon's cricket on 6 May 2017 vs Bamville at home. The visitors showed up a little late, and a man short, which gave an opportunity for Ben Jeffery to step in and help out (more on that below).

Bamville batted first, and after a shaky start put started to pile on the runs steadily. Wickets didn't come easily, though sadly they could have done - a total of 7 dropped catches let Bamville off the hook on too many occasions.

Despite this, there were some impressive bowling performances, notably from Karl (3 wickets for 24 off 4).



**Famous Captain Karl's bearing all the class and demeanour that befits the position**

One moment stands out as a particularly memorable highlight. Femi had a good lbw shout off a straight ball that kept very low. After a long pause, the umpire called "no ball" for two bounces (clearly he thought it kept VERY low...!), though it wasn't really clear whether anyone, umpire included, really believed it. In a gesture apparently designed to placate a somewhat animated (!) Femi, the umpire offered to cancel the no ball. Femi wasn't impressed, and simply appealed for the lbw again, at which point Femi appealed for the lbw with characteristically enhanced vigour, prompting the umpire to reinstate the no ball decision. Play eventually resumed after Femi was persuaded to calm down a few degrees and abandon a plan to begin legal action.

Bamville eventually ended on 214 for 7.

Mayfield began their innings cautiously, conscious of the size of the total and the need to avoid a loss on a very uneven pitch. Facing some careful and intelligent bowling, Samit was unlucky to edge onto his stumps. But the total gradually edged upwards, Waleed making a notable contribution with a well-worked 34. Nonetheless, we never looked likely to get close to the total, and as the overs gradually ran out, the available wickets began to run short too.



**Femi showed characteristic reserve when his LBW shout was turned down.....  
three times!!**

Asked for a comment, Acting Captain Karl Cullen muttered something inaudible about "getting this over first", before heading back into the pavilion for his helmet.

It fell to Femi to inject some much-needed wisdom and perspective at the crease, and to block out the last few overs with Karamveer and Mo in support. Match drawn, time for a beer.

Man of the Match was Waleed for a fantastic and extended innings.

Golden moment to Femi for..... being Femi!



**A day out at Hazelwood vs Bamville 6<sup>th</sup> May 2017**