

## 2024 Season Sunday Report

A Total of 45 players rocked up for Friendly Cricket matches over the course of this season, ranging from ages 11 to 67. All of them a pleasure to be on the pitch with as the Sunday side enjoyed a very successful season.

20 Games played in total, with 13 wins. And 90% of those being very competitive and close matches. Braishfield bringing in the entire Trojans 2nd team following the shame and embarrassment caused to the village by Dave Parrys majestic tonne last season.

Highlight of the season for me was Toby Lambley getting his maiden 100, a superb knock against a notoriously decent side in Phoenix. Toby then further showcased his 1st team potential by initially refusing to retire as there was "no point".

By no means was Toby the only youngster to shine this season, Billy Parry, Dan Prentice, Ewan Whittaker and Drew Bennett all had stellar seasons. Hythe's great white hope Ollie Dixon made his senior debut this year, fending off county 1 bowlers that we didn't realise Parley had for 5 overs, and nicking off former hythe player and all round top bloke Kadjet Sharma in his first spell with the ball in senior cricket.

Scott Rollinson tying Dorset Opener Ben Rodgers in knots with his heavy heavy balls also a highlight of the season. Bens currently underperforming over in Australia this winter, the only thing that could explain this collapse in form, is that he's still haunted by the images of a big viking looking bloke bouncing him off 2 steps.

Keegan won the batting award again this season, topping the runs total he hit in his first spell at the club. Really appreciated having him play all the Sunday games this year, huge for everyone to have someone of his level to learn off.

A real low point of the season was the injury of Kev Mccarthy in the game vs colden common, a man that has epitomised Sunday Cricket at hythe for as long as I can remember. I'm sure I speak for the rest of the team in saying that we are wishing Kev a speedy recovery, and looking forward to sharing the pitch again with him at some point in the future.

A big thank you to everyone who made Sunday Cricket possible this season. To Chiv for everything he does and producing some quality wickets this year. To the Prentice Family, to Fletch, to Kartik & to Deano for stitching TJ out of his Maiden Ton.

Interest for Sunday cricket was fantastic all last season. New colts moving up the age groups and new players coming into the club gives me the hope that next season will be even better.