

Fixtures - Final week of stage one

Monday 24th June
Ground 1: Super Rangers v London Tigers
Ground 2: Expat v Victoria Lounge
Ground 3: Wapping Dolphins v Mad Marrocas

Tuesday 25th June
Ground 1: London Fields v Mile Tailenders
Ground 2: Millwall v Sky
Ground 3: Phoenix v Sports Interactive

Wednesday 26th June
Ground 1: Masiha v Camel Lights
Ground 2: Regents v Bansko Bears
Ground 3: The Royal Strikers v MUFG

Thursday 27th June
Ground 1: Old Fallopians 2 v Pacific
Ground 2: Old Fallopians 1 v Rose & Crown
Ground 3: Broadway v Homerton

Weekly Tip - Phase 2 clarification

Div 1 & Div 4 carry points forward from Phase 1

Div 2 & Div 3 don't - as they won't all have played each other from Phase 1

Season stat

Dudley Spiers (Wapping Dolphins) and Sunny Sanger (L&Q Living) are the only two players who have batted for 5 innings, scored 190+ runs and yet to get out.



Sky's Mohammed Hafeez following his 6-27

It was another battle against the elements for cricketers at Victoria Park in the penultimate week of stage one of the midweek league, with many teams jostling for positions as the tournament prepares for a mid-season split into four divisions from the current three.

Division Two high flyers Victoria Lounge earned a tense victory over Bankso Bears on Monday in the Victoria Park Community Cricket League. Bansko batted first and made an impressive start thanks to the top scoring opening pair of Olly Meikle (46) and Will Arnold (42). Bankso's progress slowed once both were run out, but a solid stand from Andy Butel (28) helped the Bears to finish on 143-4. Victoria Lounge's Tom Stevens continued his fine form with a confident 44 alongside skipper Jim Crutcher (24), with the chase ending in a thriller as Rob Tatton-Brown (31) helped the Lounge over the line with three balls left and wickets to spare. Bankso's battle to retain a place in the new Division Two will go to the final week with victory needed over Regents to avoid a mid-season relegation.

Trent Bryne looked in great shape for Expats as they defeated Regents on Pitch 1. With relegation certain for Regents, Expats are still battling for a key top four finish and unsurprisingly elected to bat after winning the toss. After losing skipper Alex Hickson cheaply, Bryne (53) and Liam Grayzer (34) put on a superb partnership as the Aussies took control. With some late blasting from Ed James (35), Expats finished their innings on a challenging 177-2. Regents fell well short, ending on 119-5 despite a spirited unbeaten 33 from Luke Slate, and a solid 26 from Jake Salomsmith - with Expat bowler Tom Corkery taking 2-22.

Regents will be facing the irresistable Wapping Dolphins in the new Division Three after the league newcomers made it seven out of seven with a last-over win over fellow promotion chasers Royal Strikers. The Strikers made a superb recovery after falling to 15-3 with Chris Monger taking two quick wickets. Som Chottekalapanda led the comeback with a fantastic fifty alongside Sumit Mittal (36) as the Strikers finished on 163-4. For Wapping Dolphins, Chris Monger (50) and


Division 1 - Sky

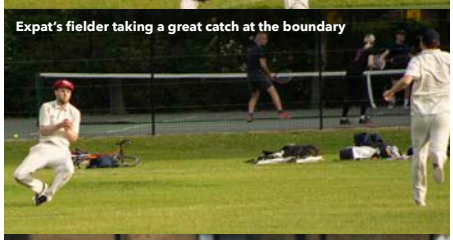

Division 2 - Regents



Cup newcomers 'We Don't Like Cricket'


Matt Redgrave on route to 69 for Camel Lights


Regents Mark Partridge in full flow


Expat's fielder taking a great catch at the boundary


A sly edge from newboys I Don't like Cricket's Tom Gower


Another great innings from Rich Carrington on his way to 49


Nagarjuna Mangalagiri of Rose and Crown about to run out Oli Turner


London Fields' Histesh Naik on his way to 65

Charley Wright (50) led from the front as their side looked in total control. A couple of cheap wickets briefly gave the Strikers hope before Andrew Magro (20) helped the Dolphins over the line with five balls to spare for the loss of three wickets.

Tuesday saw just a single match in the park as debutants I Don't Like Cricket (IDLC) saw off Division Two's Masiha in their round of the league's knock-out cup tournament. Masiha captain Jamal Ali made it an impressive six coin-toss defeats in a row as his side was put into bat. Gus Mackay and Andrew Whitehead kept Masiha on track for a decent score after the early dismissal of the dangerous Sheldon Greenland. However, late wickets saw them restricted to 133-5 with IDLC's Price taking 3-25. The newcomers never looked in trouble, despite losing an early wicket as Tom Gower hit a debut club 50 alongside some great hitting from Ross Legg (43) as IDLC eased home with four overs to spare.

London Fields produced a fantastic display against Rose & Crown on Wednesday. Hitesh Naik returned to the crease to hit a superb unbeaten 65, alongside Robin Friend's destructive 48 as London Fields set a target of 168-6, with the Crown's Joe Fisher taking all three bowling wickets for a tally of 3-39. The Crown never found top gear as the Fields' Tom Darrent took an impressive 3-20. Joe Kendrick (22) and Santosh Reddy (14) were the top scorers as Rose & Crown finished on 108-7.

The Old Fallopians first team enjoyed a close battle with already relegated Mile Tailenders on Pitch 2 in a restricted 14-over Division One contest. Some great bowling from the Tailenders, including removing the dangerous Farhad Waqar early for five, restricted the Fallopians to 139-3, despite a beautifully destructive knock from keeper Ollie Wrighton (51) and 29 from Rav Matharu. In reply the Fallopians kept the lid on the Tailenders with some tight bowling, leaving room for Sheraz Shahid to capture a pair of wickets for 23 runs. Despite Rich Carrington reprising his destructive innings the previous week with another hard-hitting 49, it wasn't enough as the Tailenders finished on 115-6, some 24 runs short.

On the neigbouring pitch L&Q Living saw off the the Old Fallopians seconds in a closer 14-over battle in Division Three. L&Q finished on 121-2, with all four batsmen in the runs. Openers Waqar Ali (22) and Keith Petty (27) set up a decent opening stand, setting a foundation for James Boon (36) and Sunny Sanger (24) – a batsman who has still to get out this season. In response, Ollie Gold hit a solid 50 for the Fallopians, and despite an unbeaten 23 from Jack Turner, the Fallopians fell nine runs short ending on 112-3.

Thursday saw Division One leaders Super Rangers enjoy a tense victory over Sky on the wide expanses of Pitch 3. Despite a superb 50 from Mohammed Naveed and Manish Kandal's 49, the Rangers always looked edgy. That was largely thanks to an incredible spell of bowling from Mohammed Hafeez, who delivered a rare triple-wicket maiden and ended with stunning figures of 6-27. Super Rangers finished their overs on 142-7. Coming into bat Sky looked set for victory despite the immediate loss of their opener Zahid, with Aleem Hussain knocking up a patient 50. However, a regular fall of wickets and the loss of Aleem's brother Nozmul for 32 saw Sky fall behind the rate and they finished three runs short on 139-5, leaving Rangers once again unbeaten this season.

Pitch 2 saw a crucial battle for Division Two places as Broadway and Camel Lights met for a keenly fought contest. Both went into the game on seven points, knowing that the winner would rise into the promotion zone at the top of the division, handing them an advantage going into the final week. The Camels won the toss and chose to bat first, with opener Matt Redgrave smashing his way to the third highest score of the season, an unbeaten 69. Broadway's Richard Grubb bowled an impressive 3-29 to help dismiss the Camels out for 132 with all seven batsmen clean bowled. Chasing the target, Broadway made a solid start before Redgrave and Andrew Miller removed both openers, leaving the match wide open. However, Camels skipper Ben Howard once again struck a patient and at times dramatic half-century, effortlessly hitting five sixes as Broadway reached their goal with three overs to spare.

Mad Marrocas kept alive their hopes of overtaking Wapping Dolphins in Division Three with an explosive display against Pacific. Batting first, Pacific opener Jaimie Deighan (36), alongside Muntz Siddiqui (27) and Jaimie Hargeaves (22), top scored as their side struck 129-5. Mad Marrocas, confident as ever, saw openers Tom Woodcock (50) and Jaimie Cox (50) returning to form, as the pair blitzed towards victory in just over eleven overs. It's going to be a great match if Mad Marrocas play like this against Wapping in next week's top-of-the-division decider.

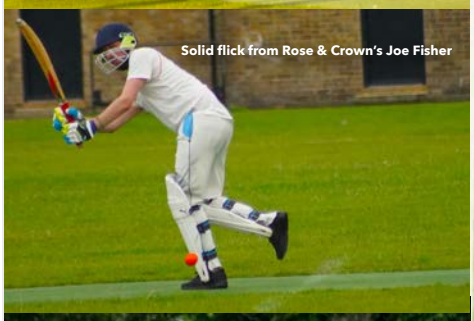

Broadway's Ben Howard on his way to another 50


Some big hitting by OF's Ollie Wrighton

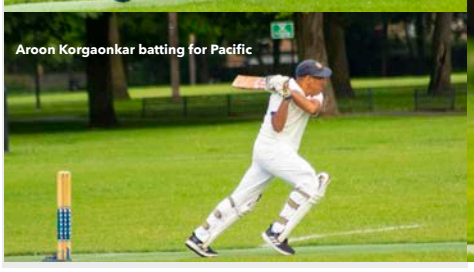



Mad Marrocas's Tom Woodcock on his way to 50


Victoria Lounge's Tom Stevens


Solid flick from Rose & Crown's Joe Fisher


Rizwan Siddiqui in a run out moment for Sky


Aroon Korgaonkar batting for Pacific


Iqbal Miah of Super Rangers is run out.

Super Rangers hit heights as big total proves too much for Mile Tailenders to overcome

Division One leaders Super Rangers smashed one of the highest scores of the season in the latest round of Victoria Park Community League matches.

Cricket

After the first total washout of the campaign, Rangers reached a fourth-best 191-5 against Mile Tailenders thanks to half-centuries from Ajmal Afzal and Suki.

Richard Carrington (27) tried to rally Tailenders after the loss of early wickets, with John Tilley (27) also making a start as they came up well short on 104-6.

Homerton (155-1) let slip the chance to extend their lead at the top of Division Two as they fell to a narrow defeat against Expat (156-6).

Len Hutchinson (50) top scored for Homerton but Trent Bryne (61) and Sam Addis (51) helped Expat to victory.

Danny Williams took a season's best 4-2 as Mad Marrocas (140-4) defeated Sports Interactive (45) by 95 runs.

And Division Three promotion hopefuls Royal Strikers defeated Old Fallopians seconds in a rainy 10-over contest after making 100-4.

Mohan Gandhi (30) led the way for Strikers, before Fallopians let a decent start go to waste as they finished well short on 78-6.

Millwall returned to winning ways as aggressive batting from Muzzammal Salman saw him hit a quickfire 52 – with five sixes – to help them to 183-3 alongside Shumon Miah (50).

Patrick Heaphy (34) and Joe Fisher (22) got Rose & Crown off to a flyer, but once they fell the rate climbed and they closed on 144-6.

Masiha captain Jamal Ali extended his unlucky streak with the toss, losing for a fifth successive time, and Regents posted 113-4 despite the loss of both openers to Sheldon Greenland (2-11).

Jake Salmonsmith fell six short of a half-century alongside another decent knock from Luke Slater (27), but Stuart Miller played with great finesse for Masiha, hitting his first half-century of the season alongside Fozal Stevens (38) as they claimed a fourth straight win with four overs left.

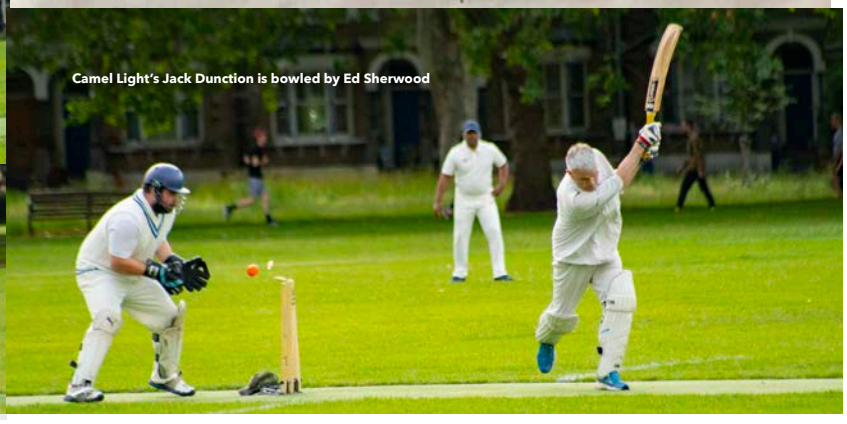
Phoenix All Stars made 128-5 in warm sunshine on Friday, as opener Ravi Sagi blitzed his way to fifty and Mo Ansari (27) and Mo Iqbal (25) gave support.

Bobby Watson (2-9) was the pick of the Wapping Dolphins attack, before Charlie Wright (31) and Ollie Davies (37) led their run chase.

Iqbal took two wickets as Dolphins slipped to 60-4, but David and Sam Gillett sealed victory for Wapping with a couple of overs to spare.




Rich Carrington hits out for Mile Tailenders (above) as Phoenix All Stars face the camera (right).


Camel Light's Jack Dunction is bowled by Ed Sherwood

Highest team total:
1. 217-2 - Sky
2. 209-0 - Wapping Dolphins
3. 199-2 - Mad Marrocas
4. 191-5 - Super Rangers
5. 186-5 - Super Rangers
6. 183-3 - Millwall
7. 182-2 - L&Q Living
8. 180-1 - London Tigers
9. 178-6 - Super Rangers
10. 175-3 - Homerton

Highest individual batting score:
1. 81 - Alex Hickson (Expat)
2. 80 - Sheldon Greenland (Masiha)
3. 69 - Matt Redgrave (Camel Lights)
4. 66 - Alex Hickson (Expat)
5. 65 - Tom Wright (MUFG)
6. 65 - Hitesh Naik (London Fields)

Best Bowling figures:
1. 6-27 - Mohammed Hafeez (Sky)
2. 4-2 - Danny Marshall (Mad Marrocas)
3. 4-9 - Sam Gilliat (Wapping Dolphins) - (Cup match)
4. 4-22 - Dudley Spiers (Wapping Dolphins)
5. 3-7 - Ty Graham (London Fields)
6. 3-14 - Altaf Bhat (Super Rangers)

Most 4s:
1. 31 - Alex Hickson (Expat)
2. 30 - Jaimie Cox (Mad Marrocas)
3. 28 - Sagar Bora (Homerton)
4. 26 - Dudley Spiers (Wapping Dolphins)
5. 25 - Sunny Sanger

Most 6s:
1. 13 - Ben Howard (Broadway)
2. 10 - Chris Monger (Wapping Dolphins)
3. 7 - Altaf Bhat (Super Rangers)

* eight players are on six


Sumit Mitta of Royal Strikers batting against Wapping


Ollie Meikle in form for Bansko


Will Isaac and Tom Darrant celebrate a catch


Wapping's Charley Wright

CURRENT TABLES

	DIVISION 1	P	W	L	T	A	PTS
1	Super Rangers	6	6	0	0	0	18
2	London Tigers	6	3	0	1	2	13
3	Old Fallopians 1st VIII	6	3	1	1	1	12
4	London Fields	6	2	3	0	1	7
5	Sky	6	2	3	0	1	7
6	Millwall	6	2	3	0	1	7
7	Rose & Crown	6	2	4	0	0	6
8	Mile Tailenders	6	0	6	0	0	0

	DIVISION 2	P	W	L	T	A	PTS
1	Homerton	6	5	1	0	0	15
2	Victoria Lounge	6	4	1	0	1	13
3	Expat	6	4	2	0	1	12
4	Broadway	6	3	2	0	1	10
5	Bansko Bears	6	2	3	0	1	7
6	Camel Lights	6	2	3	0	1	7
7	Masiha	6	2	4	0	0	6
8	Regents	6	0	6	0	0	0

	DIVISION 3	P	W	L	T	A	PTS
1	Wapping Dolphins	7	7	0	0	0	21
2	Mad Marrocas	7	6	1	0	0	18
3	The Royal Strikers	7	5	2	0	0	15
4	Phoenix All Stars	7	3	3	0	1	10
5	L&Q Living	7	3	4	0	1	10
6	MUFG	7	2	3	0	2	8
7	Old Fallopians 2nd VIII	7	2	5	0	0	6
8	Pacific	7	1	5	0	1	4
9	Sports Interactive	7	0	6	0	1	1


Super Rangers skipper Altaf Bhat prepares to go in


Bden Howard and Tom Porter


Saif Mohammed is run out for Super Rangers


Aleem Hussain looking in form for Sky

VPCCL Bowls Challenge - Friday 28th; 6-9pm

Just a reminder that the first VPCCL trophy of the season will be presented on Friday 28th June - The VPCCL Bowls Challenge Trophy!

There are no minimum numbers for a team, and there are currently three players partners/wives already signed up .... in case any of you wish to do similar.

Please do bring some of your team along - It will be great fun ....
A disappointing response so far, but hey ..... we're all gonna have fun

So far we have teams from:
Pacific
Camel
NMCC
The committee

An invitation team of individual members
You don't have to come with a team .... you are welcome to just come and join in as an individual.
But we will be awarding the first ever
VPCCL Bowls Trophy!

For those of you who don't know, the bowling green is just on the other side of the trees - next to the nets; pop round and take a look!


I Don't Like Cricket's Tom Gower celebrating his first 50

BATTING STATS

Rank	Player	Club	Mat	Inn	NO	100's	50's	4's	6's	HS	Runs	Ave	BF
1	Alex Hickson	Expat Cricket Club	5	5	3	0	4	31	2	81*	257	128.50	0
2	Sagar (Cigar) Bora	Homerton Cricket Club	6	6	3	0	4	28	2	58	235	78.33	0
3	Larry (Mr Cricket) Hutchinson	Homerton Cricket Club	6	6	4	0	4	21	0	50*	233	116.50	0
4	Jaimie Cox	Mad Marrocas Cricket Club	6	6	4	0	4	30	2	54*	225	112.50	0
5	Sunny Sanger	L&Q Living Cricket Club	6	6	6	0	2	25	4	51*	215	-	0
6	Joe Fisher	Rose and Crown Cricket Club	6	6	2	0	1	10	0	56*	199	49.75	0
7	Dudley Spiers	Wapping Dolphins Cricket Club	5	4	4	0	3	26	4	52*	195	-	0
8	Trent Byrne	Expat Cricket Club	5	5	3	0	2	22	5	61*	191	95.50	0
9	Chris Monger	Wapping Dolphins Cricket Club	6	6	4	0	3	20	10	51*	186	93.00	0
10	Andrew James	Sports Interactive Cricket Club	6	6	1	0	1	23	1	50*	178	35.60	0
11	Altaf Bhat	Super Rangers Cricket Club	6	6	2	0	1	12	7	58*	171	42.75	0
12	Mohammed Fahad	London Tigers Cricket Club	4	4	3	0	1	17	4	50*	168	168.00	0
13	Will Arnold	Bansko Bears CC	5	5	2	0	2	19	1	50*	167	55.67	30
14	Ben Howard	Broadway Mkt CC	4	4	3	0	3	15	13	53*	165	165.00	0
15	Arif Ahmed	Millwall Community Cricket Club	5	5	2	0	2	2	0	53*	154	51.33	0
16	Matt Redgrave	Camel Lights Cricket Club	3	3	1	0	1	17	4	69*	154	77.00	0
17	Farhad Waqar	Old Fallopians Cricket Club	5	5	2	0	1	19	4	50*	151	50.33	0
18	Richard Hagan	Camel Lights Cricket Club	4	4	2	0	1	16	3	50*	150	75.00	0
19	Som Chottekalapanda	The Royal Strikers Cricket Club	5	5	2	0	1	12	1	50*	147	49.00	0
20	Muhammad Naveed	Super Rangers Cricket Club	5	5	1	0	1	11	4	52	146	36.50	0

BOWLING STATS

Rank	Player	Club	Mat	BB	M	R	W	5WI	10WM	BBI	Ave	S/R	Ecn
1	Iqbal Miah	Super Rangers Cricket Club	6	126	0	147	10	0	0	3/30	14.70	12.60	7.00
2	Mohammed Hafeez	Sky Cricket Club	5	76	1	110	8	1	0	6/27	13.75	9.50	8.68
3	Jamil Ahmed	Millwall Community Cricket Club	5	107	0	132	8	0	0	3/23	16.50	13.38	7.40
4	Altaf Bhat	Super Rangers Cricket Club	6	126	0	147	8	0	0	3/14	18.38	15.75	7.00
5	Bobby Watson	Wapping Dolphins Cricket Club	7	156	0	157	8	0	0	2/9	19.63	19.50	6.04
6	Sean Feeney	Rose and Crown Cricket Club	5	102	0	169	8	0	0	2/29	21.13	12.75	9.94
7	Stu Hill	Mile Tailenders Cricket Club	6	108	0	183	8	0	0	3/33	22.88	13.50	10.17
8	Zak Ahmed	Old Fallopians Cricket Club	4	90	0	117	7	0	0	3/25	16.71	12.86	7.80
9	Ty Graham	London Fields Cricket Club	4	48	0	68	6	0	0	3/7	11.33	8.00	8.50
10	Dudley Spiers	Wapping Dolphins Cricket Club	5	90	0	81	6	0	0	4/22	13.50	15.00	5.40
11	Danny Marshall	Mad Marrocas Cricket Club	5	101	0	90	6	0	0	4/1	15.00	16.83	5.35
12	Richard Grubb	Broadway Mkt CC	3	66	0	96	6	0	0	3/29	16.00	11.00	8.73
13	Chris Monger	Wapping Dolphins Cricket Club	6	90	0	113	6	0	0	2/21	18.83	15.00	7.53
14	Mo Ansari	Phoenix All Stars Cricket Club	6	93	0	120	6	0	0	3/32	20.00	15.50	7.74
15	Andrew Whitehead	Masiha Cricket Club	5	107	0	140	6	0	0	3/25	23.33	17.83	7.85
16	Joe Fisher	Rose and Crown Cricket Club	6	85	0	145	6	0	0	3/39	24.17	14.17	10.24
17	Lorenzo (The Duchess) De Glossop	Homerton Cricket Club	3	72	0	84	5	0	0	3/18	16.80	14.40	7.00
18	Dom Borger	Mad Marrocas Cricket Club	5	72	0	84	5	0	0	2/25	16.80	14.40	7.00
19	Tom McMahon	Expat Cricket Club	4	78	0	97	5	0	0	3/27	19.40	15.60	7.46
20	Firoz fizz Husain	Phoenix All Stars Cricket Club	5	96	0	107	5	0	0	1/14	21.40	19.20	6.69


Camel Light's Andrew is bowled on the final ball of their innings by Richard Grubb