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Anirban



MVP: Ross Legg (IDLC)



Wapping Dolphins



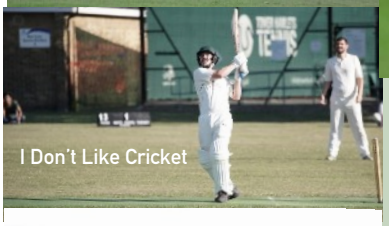
Sylhet CA UK







Gary patrolling



I Don't Like Cricket



Royal Tigers

Our fixtures secretary Peter Hollman's son Luke made his twenty20 debut last week for Middlesex cc, earning the man of the match. Keep an eye on Luke Hollman a huge talent. His last appearance in the VPCCL was a cup match in 2015 v Sterling Akroyd scoring 50 at just 15 years old.

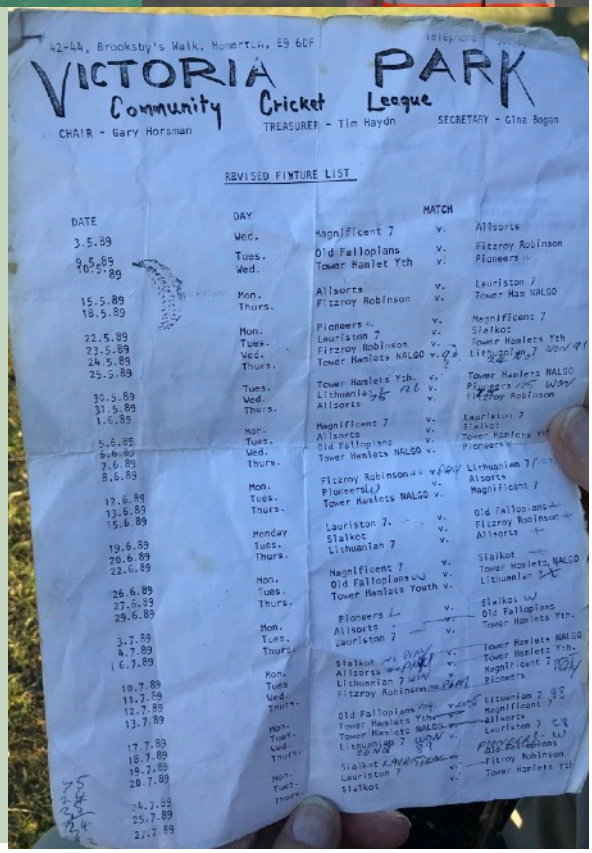
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VPCCL President Bert Vandermark

2020 ROLL OF HONOUR

Division 1	Anirban
Division 2:	Wapping Dolphins
Division 3:	Sylhet CA UK
Division 4:	I Don't Like Cricket
Super Over Cup:	Royal Tigers



42-44, Brooksby's Walk, Homerton, E9 6DF

VICTORIA PARK

Community Cricket League

CHAIR - Gary Horsman TREASURER - Tim Haydn SECRETARY - Gina Bogan

REVISED FIXTURE LIST

DATE DAY MATCH

WEDNESDAY (LAST DAY)


Royal Tigers' Salman bowled for 13


Sylhet's opener Zakoan Chowdhury

League cricket bid farewell to Victoria Park for another year with a one-off rescheduled match, as the unbeaten Royal Tigers took on local rivals Sylhet, with the Division Three title going to whichever team won the game. The Tigers have been ruthless and impressive this season, scoring the highest team score and clocking four totals past 190. They duly won the toss for a fifth time and, unsurprisingly, opted to bat. Their innings began with a blink-and-you-miss-it moment in the very first ball. Opener Akibur Rahman nicked Monul Haque behind for a safe catch, only for the ball to slip to the ground from keeper Sumon JB's gloves. Sumon quickly made amends when, just five balls later, danger-man AZM Jonny nicked his opening delivery behind into Sumon's grasp for a golden duck. It proved to be the start of a trend and was the first of four catches in the innings for Sumon JB. Opener Rahman recovered from his brush with an early bath to hit the top score of 35, but otherwise Sylhet ruthlessly ripped through the Tigers batsmen. The star of the bowling attack was paceman Shakil Mahmud, who took a stunning 4-30, the fourth-best league figures this season, tearing down an off-stump and forcing three edges behind. Miniul Haque ended with 2-18 as the Royal Tigers collapsed to just 105 all out, four short of their reduced 15 overs.

Nonetheless, the Tigers remained confident, remembering that Sylhet had failed to chase down 80 in a friendly played between the two sides a few days before. However, Sylhet's Zakoan Chowdhury (15) and Kohokon Ali (29) had other ideas, putting on a resolute opening stand and easing Sylhet closer to victory. Both men fell to Azharul Adnan as they went for the win but at this point success was beginning to look inevitable. Skipper and keeper Sumon kept his focus, doing what was required with simple chips and glances, guiding his team to victory with an assured 17, aided in similar fashion by an unbeaten 23 from Ali Sami. Sumon fell with just six runs needed, bowled by Tigers skipper Muhibur Jony, but it was all too late to stop the Sylhet momentum. An assured Aminul Haque Litu saw off three balls before a simple edge for four brought Sylhet to victory – and the Division title - in just 10 overs.


Azharul Islam Adnan caught behind


Royal Tigers' captain Muhibur hitting out


Akibur Rahman bowled by Jumma Khan


Sylhet's Sumon JB

FINAL LEAGUE TABLES

	DIVISION 1	P	W	L	Tie	A	PTS
1	Anirban	6	4	1	1	0	14
2	Sky	6	4	2	0	0	12
3	Old Fallopians 1st VIII	6	4	2	0	0	12
4	Super Rangers	6	4	2	0	0	11
5	London Fields	6	3	3	0	0	9
6	Rose and Crown	6	1	4	1	0	5
7	Victoria Lounge	6	0	6	0	0	0



	DIVISION 2	P	W	L	Tie	A	PTS
1	Wapping Dolphins	6	5	1	0	0	15
2	Broadway	6	5	1	0	0	15
3	Homerton	6	4	2	0	0	12
4	Masiha	6	4	2	0	0	12
5	Bansko Bears	6	2	4	0	0	6
6	Camel Lights	6	0	5	1	0	2
7	Mile Tailenders	6	0	5	1	0	2



	DIVISION 3	P	W	L	Tie	A	PTS
1	Sylhet CA UK	6	5	1	0	0	15
2	Royal Tigers	6	5	1	0	0	15
3	MUFG	6	4	2	0	0	12
4	Pacific	6	3	3	0	0	9
5	Mad Marrocas	6	2	4	0	0	6
6	Old Fallopians 2nd	6	1	5	0	0	3
7	Phoenix All Stars	6	1	5	0	0	3



	DIVISION 4	P	W	L	Tie	A	PTS
1	I Don't Like Cricket	6	6	0	0	0	18
2	Lynxes	6	4	2	0	0	12
3	De Beavour Dugongs	6	4	2	0	0	12
4	Wednesday Night	6	1	4	0	1	4
5	Stokey Scoundrels	6	1	4	0	1	4
6	NMCC	6	1	5	0	0	3



TOP STATS

Highest team score:
225-4: Royal Tigers

Highest batting Score:
67: Mo Fahad (Sky)

MVP
Rob Legg (I Don't Like Cricket)

Top Run scorer:
276: Tom Taylor (Masiha)

Best average:
217: Dudley Spiers (Wapping Dolphins)

Most unbeaten runs
202 Sagar Bora (Homerton)

Top wicket-taker:
12: Jamil Ahmed (Anirban)

Most catches:
9: Shumon JB (Sylhet)

Most stumpings:
7: Ross Legg (IDLC)

Most fours:
30: Dudley Spiers (Wapping Dolphins)

Most sixes:
12: Hassan Ahmed (Sky)

Best bowling:
4-14: Rohan Hope (IDLC)

Maidens:
Andy Scotts (Dugongs)
Srikanth Reddy Kolan (MUFG)

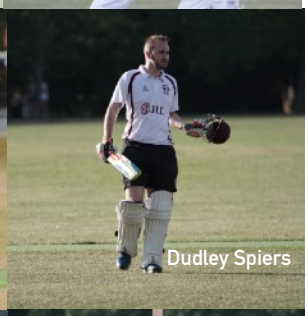
DEFENDING CHAMPIONS

2020 Anirban (Millwall)
2019 Super Rangers
2018 Millwall
2017 Rose & Crown
2016 Technosys (Super Rangers)
2015 Sky
2014 Dynamite Ducks
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2011 Sky
2010 East London Community
2009 Dynamite Ducks)
2008 Goodmayes
2007 Sky
2006 East End Cavaliers & Victoria Park Juniors (shared)
2005 Traditional Corsairs
2004 Tower Ravens
2003 Sky (Mola Jutt)
2002 Mola Jutt & Pacific (shared)
2001 Mola Jutt
2000 Newham A
1999 Hackney Grasshoppers
1998 Mola Jutt
1997 Globetown
1996 Globetown
1995 Millwall
1994 Tower Hamlets Nalgo (became Rose & Crown)
1993 Dover Castle
1992 Tower Hamlets Nalgo
1991 Bow Neighbourhood


Tom Taylor


Jamil Ahmed


Hassan Ahmed


Dudley Spiers

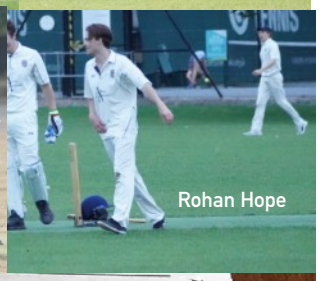

Sagar Bora


Mo Fahad


Sumon JB


Ross Legg


William Law, youngest player this season


Rohan Hope

Anirban are Victoria Park champions for second straight season after success over London Fields

Cricket

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Anirban were crowned champions of the Victoria Park Community League for the second time in two years after beating London Fields to end a fantastic season which saw four sides have title hopes.

Needing a win to finish top by a point, Arif Ahmed's men won the toss, elected to bat and hit a decent 137-4 with Mahan Rahman top scoring with a solid 44.

The Fields struggled to get going on a gloomy Tuesday evening, slipping to 40-4, and despite a 43-run stand from Sanjay (24) and Alex Day (18), were bowled out for 93, crowning Anirban champions of 2020.

Elsewhere, Super Rangers chased down Rose & Crown's 153-5 after Nagarjuna Mangalagiri was in outstanding form, smashing a typically brutal 52 alongside Sam Wildy (34) and Charlie Challinor (32) in the Crown total.

Despite losing regular wickets, Asad Mujaba (31) and Iqbal Miah (25) helped the Rangers to victory with 10 balls remaining.

The Division Two battle reached its climax with the league's earliest ever start at 9am as Broadway and Masiha met.

Victory for Masiha would have meant a first-ever title for Jamal Ali's men, while a win for Broadway would give he title for Wapping Dolphins courtesy of their head to head encounter.

Despite losing early wickets, Jimmy Knowles (34), James Boon (30) and Ed Sherwood (26) helped Broadway to a respectable 165-5.

Masiha made a blazing start with Amir Khan smashing a rapid 50, including a huge square leg six.

He was aided along the way by Tom Taylor, whose 50 guaranteed him as the league's highest run scorer of 2020, as Masiha cruised to 100-0 with six overs remaining.

With new batsmen in, Broadway hit back, taking two relatively quick wickets, leaving Masiha needing nine off the last six balls.

Jimmy Knowles followed up his 34 with a superb final over as the left-hander conceded just three runs as Broadway took a five-run victory and handed the title to Wapping Dolphins.

With the Division Three title match between Royal Tigers and Sylhet rescheduled to next week, the penultimate match of the season saw bottom side NMCC and Stokey Scoundrels of Division Four meet, with both teams declaring it the 'wooden spoon match'. NMCC picked up their first win of the season.



Anirban celebrate their Victoria Park Community League title success (left), as NMCC's Reece Reynolds (right0 is bowled.

Pictures: GEORGE WATSON

2020 STATS

Highest team score
1. 225-4 - (Royal Tigers)
2. 216-4 - (Sky)
3. 210-6 - (Sky)
4. 209-4 - (Lynxes)
5. 208-3 - (Old Fallopians 1)

Highest individual score
1. 67 - Mo Fahad (Sky)
2. 62 - Aminul Islam Amin (Anirban)
3. 62 - Safraz Ahmed (Sky)
4. 61 - Dave Rudd (Bankso Bears)
5. 59 - Andrew Tate (Bansko Bears)
6. 58 - Robbie Jacobs (Mad Marrocas)
7. 57 - Stefan Phillipson (Victoria Lounge)
8. 56 - Nozmul Hussain (Sky)
9. 56 - Troy Utz (London Fields)

Most Runs
1. 276 - Tom Taylor (Masiha)
2. 241 - Shameer Qureshi (Old Fallopians 1)
3. 217 - Dudley Spiers (Wapping)
4. 202 - Sagar Bora (Homerton)
5. 197 - Anandraj Venkatasamy (Broadway)
6. 194 - Andrew Tate (Bansko Bears)
7. 190 - Sam Hickey (Homerton)
8. 189 - Sam Wildy (Rose & Crown)
9. 186 - Larry Hutchinson (Homerton)
10. 186 - AZM Jony (Royal Tigers)

Most wickets
1. 12 - Jamil Ahmed (Anirban)
2. 9 - Jamal Ali (Masiha)
3. 9 - Sheraz Shahid (Old Fallopians 1)
4. 8 - Tom Fulcher (Broadway)
5. 8 - Shameer Qureshi (Old Fallopians 1)
6. 8 - Iqbal Miah (Super Rangers)

Best Bowling
1. 4-14 - Rohan Hope (IDLC)
2. 4-19 - Tom Fulcher (Broadway)
3. 4-25 - Al Raji (Royal Tigers)
4. 4-30 - Shakil Mahmud (Sylhet)
5. 4-38 - Alok Gope (Rose & Crown)
6. 3-6 - Danny Williams (Mad Marrocas)
7. 3-7 - Srikanth Kolan (MUFG)
8. 3-9 - Azharul Adnan (MUFG)
9. 3-10 - Bobby Watson (Wapping Dolphins)
10. 3-13 - Kiran Tailor (NMCC)

Most 4s
1. 30 - Dudley Spiers (Wapping Dolphins)
2. 29 - Tom Taylor (Masiha)
3. 29 - Andrew Tate (Bansko Bears)
4. 26 - Sagar Bora (Homerton)
5. 26 - Anandraj Venkatasamy (Broadway)

Most 6s
1. 12 - Hassan Ahmed (Sky)
2. 10 - Ahmed Salman Bappi (Royal Tigers)
3. 8 - Syed Bukhari (MUFG)
4. 8 - Nag Mangalagiri (Rose & Crown)
5. 8 - Muhibur Jony (Royal Tigers)

MVP 2020

1. 50.33 - Ross Legg (IDLC)
2. 49.11 - Ajmal Afzal (Super Rangers)
3. 48.03 - Shameer Qureshi (Old Fallopians 1)
4. 43.48 - Dudley Spiers (Wapping Dolphins)
5. 42.97 - Tom Taylor (Masiha)
6. 40.20 - Ishmail Malvad (Phoenix)
7. 37.45 - Sumon JB (Sylhet)
8. 36.02- Sam Hickey (Homerton)
9. 36.02- Andrew Tate (Bankso Bears)
10. 33.94 - Muhibur Jony (Royal Tigers)

*with all stats recorded including catches, the MVP is determined through CricHQ's algorithm with runs, wickets and catches and contributing.

2020 FACTS

Most Balls bowled
1. 144 - Chris Salter (Bansko Bears)
2. 144 - Jamil Ahmed (Anirban)
3. 126 - Sheraz Shahid (OF1)

Best bowling average
1. 5.00 - Chetan Phalak (London Fields)
2. 6.25 - Al Raji (Royal Tigers)
3. 7.00 - Aafaz Hafejee (Wednesday Night)
4. 8.20 - Asaduzzaman Ronee (Royal Tigers)
5. 8.33 Azharul Islam Adnan (Royal Tigers)

Best bowling economy
1. 2.00 - Aminul Litu (Sylhet)
2. 2.10 - Fayaz Hafeejee (Wednesday)
3. 3.67 - John Lon (de Beauvoir Dugongs)

- 447: Players who played this season

- 202: Number of wicket-takers

- 135: Number of 50s (including guest players)

- Opener Adam Haines (Wapping Dolphins) - (1st boundary in the 11th over) was the slowest batter this season., unbeaten on 46 at 16 overs.

- Bansko Bears were the only team to bowl 16 overs in every match.

- I Don't Like Cricket were the only team to not lose a match in their division.

- Due to Injury, Harry Molyieux was the only bowler this season to bowl under six balls, 2 in his one match.

- In all of their matches (6) only three players took a catch for NMCC.

- 3 members of the same family have played for x3 different sides in 3 different Divisions; Ashraf Molvi (Homerton), Firoz Husain (Phoenix, Ifraan Shaikh (Wednesday Night)

- Sam Hickey (Homerton) was not out the most times on 5, 5 people finished unbeaten 4 times.

MATCHES OF THE SEASON

MILE TAILENDERS V/S CAMEL LIGHTS

Mile Tailenders 147-4
Camel Lights 147-4
Match Tied

DIVISION 2




ANIRBAN V/S ROSE & CROWN

Anirban 143-6
Rose & Crown 143-6
Match Tied

DIVISION 1




LONDON FIELDS V/S VICTORIA LOUNGE

London Fields 166-4
Victoria Lounge 165-0
London Fields won by 1 run

DIVISION 1




LONDON FIELDS V SKY

London Fields 173-0
Sky 172-6
London Fields won by 1 run

DIVISION 1




OLD FALLOPIANS 2 V PHOENIX ALL STARS

Phoenix All Stars 144-5
Old Fallopians 2 145-4 (15.4 overs)
Old Fallopians won by 2 wickets
with 2 balls to spare

DIVISION 3




BROADWAY V/S MASIHA

Broadway 165-6
Masiha 160-4
Broadway won by 5 runs

DIVISION 2




SUPER RANGERS V/S ANIRBAN

Super Rangers 183-3
Anirban 176-3
Super Rangers won by 6 runs

DIVISION 1






Anirban's Arif Ahmed and Son



Regular Colin

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DIVISION 1 RECAP



Old Fallopians' Shameer Qureshi



London Fields' Robin Friend



Stefan Phillipson takes a catch for Victoria Lounge



Anirban's Shakil Ahmed



Sky's Mo Fahad smashing the highest score this season of 67

The Division One championship provided a thrilling close with the outcome uncertain up to the very end. Two teams in with a chance fell at the final hurdle in the space of a few days, leaving the field open for Arif Ahmed's Anirban to launch through the crowd and claim their second title in three years.

Sky started out as the front runners, comfortably winning their early matches and looking in great touch at the same time. After four wins in a row, their first defeat came with a surprise result against London Fields, who, like Sky, had made an excellent start. Sky's crucial match came against Anirban, where a win would have won Sky the title, thanks to a head-to-head victory against the Old Fallopians 1sts. However, a storming 50 from Shakil Ahmed saw Anirban comfortably hold on to a 62-run victory.

The Old Fallopians, who had lost just the one game to Sky, were next up to take on the title, knowing a win against Anirban would seal their first ever triumph. Again, the former champions batted first, and, despite strong batting in reply throughout the Old Fallopian innings, Anirban held onto a nine-run victory, denying the second team the chance and thrusting Anirban an opportunity of leap-frogging their way to the title. The Fallopians had gone into that match after pulling off impressive victories including a win over defending champions Super Rangers on a drizzly murky Wednesday evening.

Anirban had been behind the rest early on thanks to a defeat to the defending champions Super Rangers and a tense last-ball tie against Rose & Crown. Super Ranger's title defence had earlier been knocked out after defeats to Sky and Old Fallopians.

Victoria Lounge's first season in the Division ended with six defeats. However, they were much tighter than the table suggests, including a one-run defeat to London Fields and a last-ball loss against Super Rangers.

The 2017 champions Rose & Crown also had a wayward season. Losing their opening couple of games, they found their rhythm in an ultimately tied match against Anirban, almost but not quite chasing down 143 on pitch 3. But the Crown never found that same form again, with their only victory coming against Victoria Lounge in their penultimate match.

The league title went down to the final match between London Fields and Anirban. The Fields were a win away from joining Sky and Old Fallopians at the top on 12 points, whilst victory for Anirban would sneak them past everyone with a defeat and courtesy of that tie against the Rose & Crown. But the result never looked in doubt as Anirban won by 44 runs, claiming the championship. Anirban's Jamal Ahmed again finished top of the VPCCL wicket-takers table for a second successive year.



Altaf Bhat of Super Rangers



Rose & Crown's Charlie Challinor

DIVISION 1 - HIGHLIGHTS



Rose & Crown's Chris Sydney



Anirban's Salman takes a juggling catch



Troy Utz of London Fields



Marhan Rahman batting for Anirban



Sky's Rizwan



Sky's Hassan Ahmed



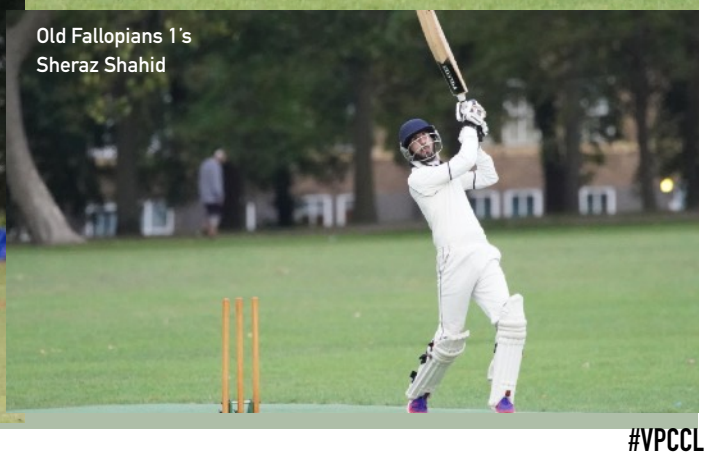
Rose & Crown's Nagarjuna Mangalagiri



Victoria Lounge's Jim Crutcher



Second in the MVP Ajmal Afzal of Super Rangers



Old Fallopians 1's Sheraz Shahid

DIVISION 2-RECAP

Division Two was another tight contest that went down to the final match on Bank Holiday Monday. Wapping Dolphins were the team to beat as they earned comfortable wins over throughout the season, on the way ending the rival title hopes of Homerton and Broadway Market. The Dolphins' only defeat came in their last match, when they struggled to chase down Masiha's total.

This unexpected setback meant the Division title was still undecided with one match remaining, between Masiha and Broadway. The two sides met in a sun-drenched 9am contest at Victoria Park on Bank Holiday Monday, with the outcome handing either the Dolphins or Masiha the title. Masiha looked in great touch but ran out of steam chasing down 165 and slipped to a five-run defeat, confirming Wapping Dolphins as the Division's champions.

With many teams sharing points at the top, Masiha closed the season in fourth place, despite Homerton providing their only other defeat. Homerton had a fantastic start to the season, only losing two wickets in their opening three matches, including an emphatic 182-0 innings against Bansko Bears. A midseason wobble ended their title hopes with straight defeats to Broadway and Wapping. Opening batsmen Sagar Bora smashing four consecutive fifties in his four matches. But it was Tom Taylor of Masiha who finished as the league's top run scorer, including a 50 against Homerton, only slipping against Wapping (41) and Homerton (32).

Broadway Market looked superb throughout the season, managing to chase down a Homerton total of 179. They went into their Wapping match unbeaten and were in high spirits, despite being beaten twice in a week last year against the Dolphins with both scores under 70. But history was to repeat itself as they were bowled out for 70, chasing down just 128, after having reduced Dolphins at stage to 12-3. This left Broadway on one defeat alongside the Dolphins, and, ultimately it was their head-to-head loss that denied them the championship.

All the way back in July, it was Division Two game that had started the much-delayed season. Bansko Bears and Wapping met on pitch 1 in the evening's sole game. The Bears' defeat was to be reflected across their season. Despite high scores and the fourth-highest individual knock this year from Dave Rudd (62), and the highest in Division Two, Bansko never found their rhythm. A two-run defeat to Homerton, chasing 182-0, was a good example of this. However, Bansko's two wins came easily against Camel Lights and Mile Tailenders, who both finished at the bottom of the table.

The Lights and the Tailenders fought their way to a tie in a tense match on pitch 3 which guaranteed everyone in Division Two a point. The Camels always looked dangerous, with their usual vocal support coming from Kit Caless, who always delivered with the ball alongside Rich Hagen with the bat. The Tailenders, once again led at the top of their innings by Felix Cofie and Wilson Digby, were unlucky to be beaten on several occasions, despite several high scores.



Bansko Bears' Dave Rudd hitting the club's highest score, 61



The season's top run scorer Tom Taylor of Masiha



Broadway's top run scorer Anandraj Venkatasamy



4/4 50s this season for Homerton's unbeaten Sagar Bora



Wapping Dolphins' Charlie Wright

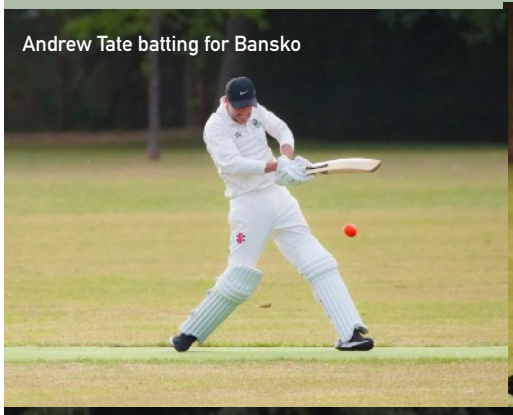


Camels captain and strike bowler Kit Caless

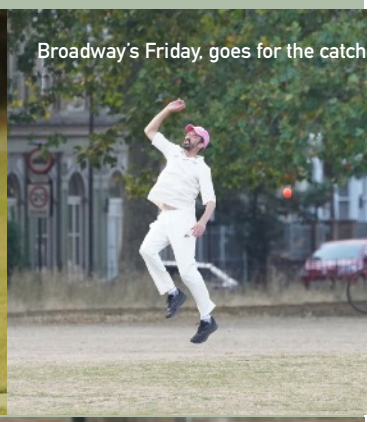


Mile Tailenders' opener Josh Cofie

DIVISION 2-HIGHLIGHTS


Andrew Tate batting for Bansko


Mile Tailenders' keeper Felix Cofie takes the run out to tie the match against Camels


Broadway's Friday, goes for the catch


Adnan Ali batting for Masiha


Sheldon Greenland takes a catch in the deep for Masiha

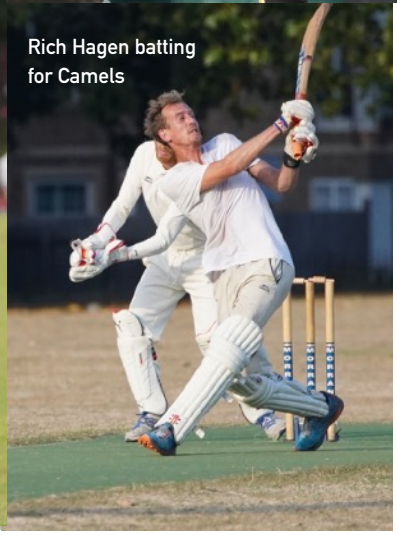

Homerton's Lorenzo 'Dutch' going for the run out against Wapping


Giaco Bridget keeping those hands sanitised


Quick chase for Stu Hill @ Mile Tailenders


Masiha's Mak Khan


Bansko Bears' Chris Salter hits his own stumps


Rich Hagen batting for Camels

DIVISION 3-RECAP


Royal Tigers' AZM Johnny


Sylhet's strike bowler Shakil Mahmud


Pacific's Tim Gane


Old Fallopians 2nds' Matt Wake


MUFG's opener Akok Reddy

The Division Three title also went down to its the final match – in fact the final game of the season - in a year that had until that night been dominated by one side, the newcomers Royal Tigers. The Tigers eased past everyone, batting first every game, except for their opening match where they narrowly chased down Phoenix All Stars in the final over. Batting first they were ruthless, always making blitzing starts and smashing over 190 four times, including the eventual highest score this season, 225 against Old Fallopians 2nds.

Phoenix came the closest to bringing the Tigers down, but still finished bottom of the table, on equal points with Old Fallopians but in last place because of the result between the two sides. Phoenix's single win was a stunning chase against Tirth Poddar's MUFG, who finished third in the league.

MUFG looked dominant at times with a very successful opening pair, defeating Sylhet and easing past Robbie Jacobs' Mad Marrocas who finished middle of the table. The Marrocas looked in good touch, always dangerous with the bat, but they struggled to convert their power into victories, despite smashing 181 against Old Fallopians, one of their two wins. Their middle-table match was a defeat against Pacific who, like Marrocas, ended mid-table with three wins.

Pacific were outmatched by Royal Tigers and Sylhet, but knocks from Tim Gane and Mutz Siddiqui always made them a testing side to beat.

MUFG pulled off a key win over new side Sylhet, but defeats to the Royal Tigers and Phoenix All Stars eventually pushed them down the table to third, despite their aggressive opening pair who always looked a threat.

Sylhet sprang the league's surprise in the final match against the Royal Tigers. Victory for the Tigers would make it six from six, whilst defeat would hand Sylhet the title. And after batting first again, the stars above the park were aligning for the Tigers. However, superb bowling from Sylhet denied the Tigers the crown. Sylhet easily chased down the Tigers' total of 103, taking the title.


Mad Marrocas' Jamie Cox


Phoenix's Mo Iqbal

DIVISION 3- HIGHLIGHTS



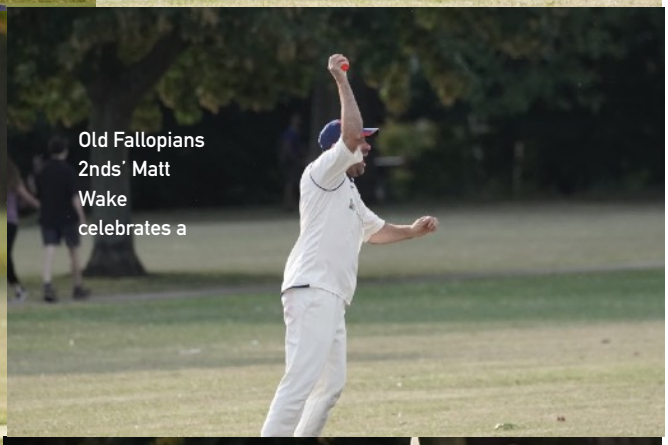
Pacific's Mutz goes for the stumping



Royal Tigers' Muhibur Jony



Sumon JB of Sylhet completes a run out against MUFG



Old Fallopians 2nds' Matt Wake celebrates a



Firoz Husain and Saj Rehman celebrating after Phoenix's win over MUFG



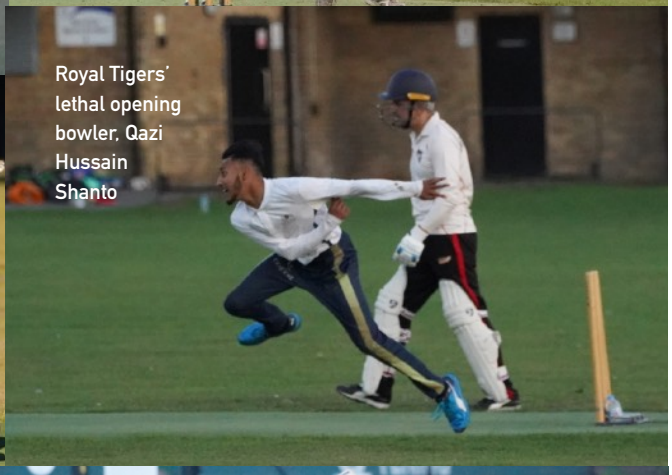
Mad Marrocas' Robbie Jacobs



Sylhet's Zakoan Chiwdhury



Mad Marrocas' Bill Wilson



Royal Tigers' lethal opening bowler, Qazi Hussain Shanto



MUFG's Manik P about to take a caught and bowled



Old Fallopians' top run scorer and keeper Jack Turner

DIVISION 4-RECAP

Division Four was a combination of new sides and teams who would have only played in the Cup had there been a full season. The divison was dominated by the top three sides, who looked a cut above everyone else. New team De Beauvoir Dugongs finished third, beating Wednesday Night in their final match, despite struggling to chase down 93. But Dugongs were outshone by the top two, newcomers Lynxes and I Don't like Cricket (IDLC). Lynxes finished second with an impressive chase against Dugongs, and high scores including 207 against NMCC.

However, it was IDLC who totally dominated the division, with comfortable wins over Lynxes and Dugongs prior to their final match. With one team less than the other divisions, the draw for the last matches was based on final league placings. The last game of the season was IDLC's best performance yet, smashing 185-2 in 14 overs and bowling Lynxes out for just 86. IDLC's Ross Legg dominated the stats, finishing second overall in the Most Valuable Player table thanks to his fielding prowess, including three stumpings in one match. Rohan Hope's 4-14 in that final match earned him the season's best bowling figures for the league as IDLC highlighted their class.

In the final round's other matches, winless NMCC took on Stokey Scoundrels who finished second bottom, to earn NMCC their first and only victory. However, NMCC still finished bottom as Stokey and Wednesday Night had earlier taken a point each from a no result. Stokey and Wednesday were equally matched and had to be separated by run rate following their final result.

In the league's individual player statistics, Old Fallopians' Shameer Qureshi finished top of the MVP list. The opener and fast bowler, who almost led his team to the title, finished second in the top run scorers whilst taking eight wickets, ending fifth in the bowlers ratings.

In other stats, Tom Taylor of Masiha scored the most runs (276), while Andy Scotts and Srikanth Kolan of Dugongs and MUFG were the only two bowlers to bowl a maiden. Chetan Phalak had the best average of 5.0, from his one match taking 3-15, while Jamil Ahmed of Anirban took the most wickets (12). Sumon JB of Sylhet took the most catches (9), followed by Ross Legg on six. Legg's seven stumpings for IDLC was miles clear of Stokey's Dominic Haddock's three.


Wednesday Night's opener Irfaan Shaikh


NMCC's Charlie Bosomworth


Sharp take by the Dugongs keeper


Stokey's Jacob Wyatt


Lynxes' opener Nick Manser

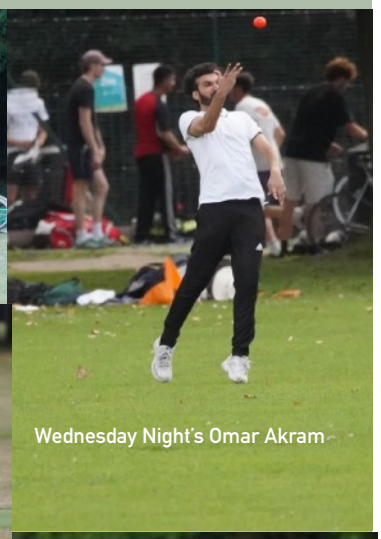

IDLC's Ross Legg joking with the Wednesday Night batsmen Aamir Shaikh


Stokey's captain Vivek Sarohiain the rain

DIVISION 4-HIGHLIGHTS

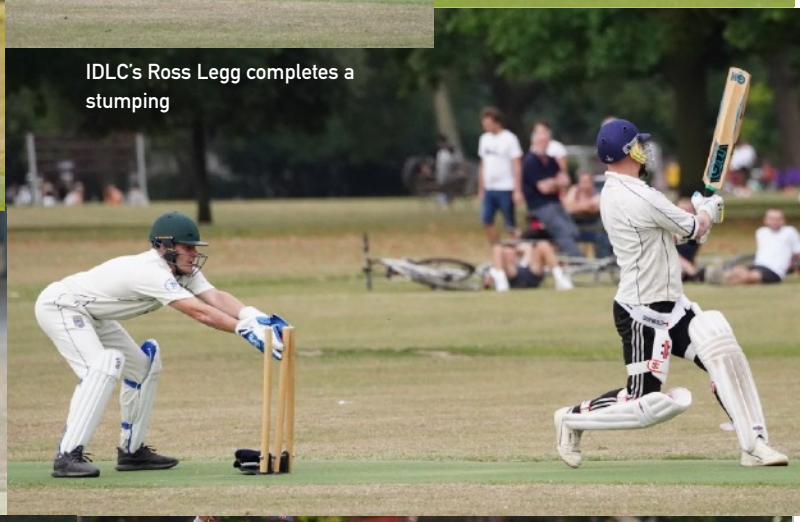

2 in 2 wickets for Bhargav Bharadwaj


Stokey's Benny Betham clapped off


Wednesday Night's Omar Akram


IDLC's Jack Hope


Lynxes' Jake Waring


IDLC's Ross Legg completes a stumping


Sixteen year old Billy Law batting for NMCC


Last gasp run out for Stokey Scoundrels


NMCC's Phil Law trapped lbw


George Gibbons of Lynxes completes a run out


IDLC's Tom Gower bowled


De Beauvoir Dugongs' Will Wright




Reynolds son and father, Reece and Dan

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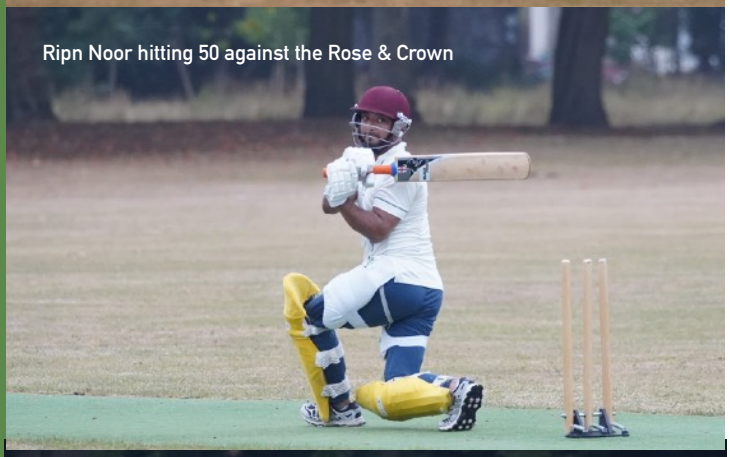
24th JUL Result	Royal Tigers Cricket Club, Royal Tigers Vii 136/4 (16.0 ov)	London Eagles Cricket Club, London Eagles Vii 140/1 (12.0 ov)	Venue: Victoria Park Cricket Ground - 3 Date(s): Fri Jul 24, 06:00PM BST
30th JUL Result	Wapping Dolphins Cricket Club, Wapping Dolphins VIII 175/1 (16.0 ov)	Maidens VIII, The Maidens VIII 138/3 (16.0 ov)	Venue: Victoria Park Cricket Ground - 3 Date(s): Thu Jul 30, 06:00PM BST
31st JUL Result	Victoria Lounge Cricket Club, Victoria Lounge 0/0 (0.0 ov)	London Eagles Cricket Club, London Eagles Vii 0/0 (0.0 ov)	Venue: Victoria Park Cricket Ground - 3 Date(s): Fri Jul 31, 06:00PM BST
7th AUG Result	Old Fallopians Cricket Club, OF 2nd VIII 145/4 (16.0 ov)	Maidens VIII, The Maidens VIII 122/5 (16.0 ov)	Venue: Victoria Park Cricket Ground - 3 Date(s): Fri Aug 07, 06:00PM BST
14th AUG Result	Rose and Crown Cricket Club, Rose and Crown Vii 138/3 (14.0 ov)	London Eagles Cricket Club, London Eagles Vii 155/5 (14.0 ov)	Venue: Victoria Park Cricket Ground - 2 Date(s): Fri Aug 14, 06:00PM BST
20th AUG Result	I Don't Like Cricket Club, I don't like Cricket VIII 165/7 (16.0 ov)	London Eagles Cricket Club, London Eagles Vii 219/5 (16.0 ov)	Venue: Victoria Park Cricket Ground - 3 Date(s): Thu Aug 20, 06:00PM BST
21st AUG Result	Stokey Scoundrels Cricket Club, Stokey Scoundrels Cricket Club 153/4 (16.0 ov)	Maidens VIII, The Maidens VIII 160/4 (16.0 ov)	Venue: Victoria Park Cricket Ground - 3 Date(s): Fri Aug 21, 06:00PM BST
27th AUG Result	London Eagles Cricket Club, London Eagles Vii 0/0 (0.0 ov)	Maidens VIII, The Maidens VIII 0/0 (0.0 ov)	Venue: Victoria Park Cricket Ground - 3 Date(s): Thu Aug 27, 06:00PM BST

The Maidens made their VPCCL league debut in a series of friendlies against Wapping Dolphins, Stokey Scoundrels and Old Fallopians 2nds, with their final match against London Eagles washed out. Maidens edged past Stokey Scoundrels whilst losing their other remaining games, Will Paton their top scorer of the season.

London Eagles, who were better known as London Tigers and pulled out of the 2020 season, also played several friendlies against Royal Tigers, Rose & Crown, and I Don't Like Cricket.
IDLC who won all of their Division 4 matches this season enjoyed the most testing match against London Eagles. Opener AZM Jony returned to the crease hitting a season topping score of 83 and despite IDLC falling well shortly, Liam Ridley top scored with 79, both scores unofficial due to them being in friendly matches.



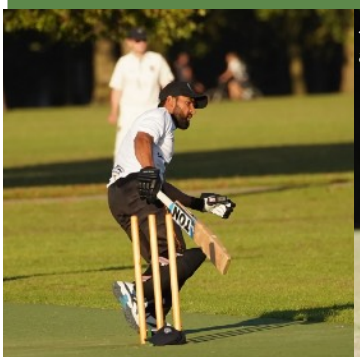
Sasha in bat against Stokey Scoundrels for the Maidens



Ripn Noor hitting 50 against the Rose & Crown



Pavan Kumar Chesetty taking a catch for Rose & Crown



AZM Jony on his way to 83 for Eagles



Jony batting for Royal Tigers against London Eagles



Liam Ridley smashing 79 for IDLC against London Eagles



Ross Legg of IDLC pointing out the line to Salman Ahmed of the Eagles



Ollie Davies batting for Wapping against Maidens.

Times		Pitch 1				Pitch 2				Pitch 3			
Round 1													
12 noon	Game 1	Camel Lights	L	Wapping Dolphins		Old Fallopians 2	L	Royal Tigers		Pacific	L	Super Rangers	
		8-0		10-0		11-1		13-1		5-0		9-0	
													
12:15	Game 2	Camel Lights	L	Old Fallopians 2		Royal Tigers	L	Pacific		Wapping Dolphins	B	Super Rangers	
		16-0		15-0		10-1		11-0		8-1		7-1	
													
12:30	Game 3	Camel Lights	L	Super Rangers		Old Fallopians 2	L	Pacific		Wapping Dolphins	B	Royal Tigers	
		2-1		8-0		7-2		9-0		5-0		4-2	
													
12:45	Game 4	Wapping Dolphins	B	Old Fallopians 2		Camel Lights	B	Pacific		Royal Tigers	B	Super Rangers	
		14-0		13-0		6-1		5-0		13-0		9-1	
													
1pm	Game 5	Old Fallopians 2	L	Super Rangers		Camel Lights	L	Royal Tigers		Wapping Dolphins	T	Pacific	
01:15		2-0		4-0		3-1		6-0		8-1		8-2	
													
01:30	Game 6	Camel Lights	T	Wapping Dolphins		Pacific	B	Super Rangers		Old Fallopians 2	L	Royal Tigers	
		8-1		8-1		14-1		13-0		5-1		8-0	
													
01:45	Game 7	Wapping Dolphins	L	Super Rangers		Old Fallopians 2	L	Pacific		Camel Lights	L	Royal Tigers	
		13-0		16-0		10-0		11-0		10-0		11-1	
													
2pm	Game 8	Camel Lights	L	Super Rangers		Wapping Dolphins	B	Old Fallopians 2		Royal Tigers	B	Pacific	
		4-1		6-0		12-0		7-0		5-0		4-1	
02:15	Game 9	Royal Tigers	B	Super Rangers		Wapping Dolphins	B	Pacific		Camel Lights	B	Old Fallopians 2	
		18-2		10-0		12-0		6-1		18-0		9-1	
02:30	Game 10	Wapping Dolphins	L	Royal Tigers		Old Fallopians 2	L	Super Rangers		Camel Lights	L	Pacific	
02:45		9-0		11-0		4-0		5-0		4-1		7-1	
Round 3 Quarters													
3pm	Game 11	Pacific	B	Old Fallopians						Super Rangers	B	Camel Lights	
		10-0		7-1						16-0		2-2	
Round 4 Semis													
03:30	Game 12	Wapping Dolphins	B	Pacific		Royal Tigers	B	Super Rangers		Camel Lights	Plate Final	Old Fallopians 2	
		12-0		6-2		18-1		14-1		9-0	B	7-2	
Round 4 Final													
4pm	Game 13									Wapping Dolphins	L	Royal Tigers	
										9-2		17-1	

Enter 1 for a win, 0 for a loss

Game	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total	Rank
Camel Lights	0	1	0	0	0	½	0	0	1	0	2½	5
Old Fallopians 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Pacific	0	1	1	1	½	1	1	0	0	1	6½	3
Royal Tigers	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	2
Super Rangers	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	4
Wapping Dolphins	1	1	1	1	½	½	1	1	1	0	8	1

SUPER OVER CUP

Covid-19 meant the League's annual knock-out cup tournament was abandoned this season for the first time in its 30-year history and replaced with a daytime Bank Holiday six-team super-over contest. Each team played each other twice in a group stage of 30 super over games across the three pitches. The top two gained a bye into the semi-finals, whilst the remaining teams met again in quarter finals, with the draw based on their finishing group stage positions.

Wapping Dolphins were the leaders at the half-way point of the group stage, winning four of their games and tying the fifth. Royal Tigers, Pacific and Super Rangers closely followed. Several highlights at the half-way point included Tim Gane's unbeaten 14, scoring all of Pacific's runs to defeat Division One's Super Rangers.

The second half saw Royal Tigers and Super Rangers claw their way back with victories over Wapping Dolphins. However, this wasn't enough for the Rangers as they finished fourth and booked a quarter final match against Camel Lights who had themselves tied with Wapping Dolphins. Pacific booked their quarter-final match against Old Fallopians, while Royal Tigers and Wapping Dolphins sailed through to the semi-finals on their

1st and 2nd place byes. Super Rangers eased past 5th-placed Camels, and Pacific defeated 6th-placed Old Fallopians. In the semi-finals, Royal Tigers edged past Super Rangers and Division 2 champions Wapping Dolphins beat Pacific to set up the final. Before this was played, Camels defeated Old Fallopians in the contest to find the winner of the wooden spoon.

With all of the remaining teams watching on, the Tigers batted first and struck 17 in the final, thanks to a glorious six from Azharul Islam Adnan who hit 16. In reply, Wapping lost an early wicket with Adam Haines run out for a quick single and, despite attacking prowess from Dudley Spiers, the Dolphins finished eight short on 9-1, handing the inaugural super over cup title to Royal Tigers.



SUPER RANGERS
16-0



CAMEL LIGHTS
2-2

KO STAGE OF SUPER OVER CUP



PACIFIC
10-0



OLD FALLOPIANS 2
7-1



ROYAL TIGERS
18-1

V



SUPER RANGERS
14-1

SEMI FINALS



WAPPING DOLPHINS
12-0

V



PACIFIC
6-2



ROYAL TIGERS
17-1

V/S FINAL



WAPPING DOLPHINS
11-1

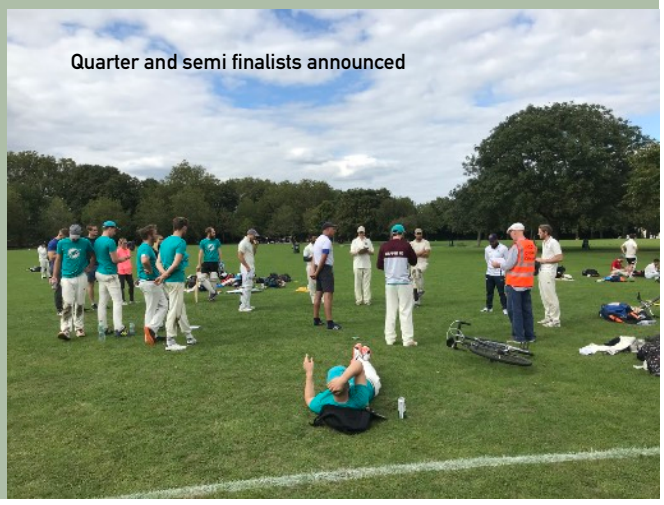
WON BY
6 RUNS



ROYAL TIGERS



Instructions at the start of the day



Quarter and semi finalists announced

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