

MATCH REPORT
LNZCC vs RIPLEY CC
10 JULY 2022

After a few very late dropouts, we managed to field a full side in one of the club's original fixtures in a 40 over game. The weather was hot, the pitch dry and a little slow and the outfield brown and very fast. Past club player from the 70s who lives nearby **Euan Harkness** popped down to give his support.

Jacob Vanner received his Norman cap from **Cheyne Voss** at the start of the game

Skipper **Richard Fish** won the toss and decided to bat if nothing else to avoid the main heat of the day.

Dan Robinson and last week's centurion **Jacob Vanner** opened. Dan was in a hurry. Before the game he had said he wants to get to 1000 runs before he returns to NZ later this year. A flurry of runs from **Dan's** bat and a more circumspect **Jacob**. **Jacob** got one that was a little slow and popped and gave an easy catch to a short cover for a duck.

Dan then mistimed one and gave a return catch to the bowler for 21 4 and out from **Cheyne Voss** and we were in trouble at 30-3 off 10.

Time for some rebuilding. Last minute call up **Russell Kyne** and **Dickie Courie** did just that. With some positive batting and good running and very fast outfield they took us past 100 in the 18th. One sharp run too many saw Dickie needing a runner for a twinged hamstring.

The 100 partnership came and went. **Russell** was batting beautifully when he chanced his arm and holed out at mid-on for an excellent 82. Together **Dickie** and **Russell** put on 154 for the 4th wicket in 19 overs. An exhausted **Dickie** reach a well-deserved 52 before he too found himself caught.

Tony Penman did not last long, and it was down to **Shaun Raumati** and **Brogan McIlwick** to get us up to a respectable score. A well complied 49 run partnership saw us get up to 247 before **Brogan** got himself stumped.

Tim Mclean then came in for a brief cameo before out for 5 and **Peter Bellamy** was 2 not out alongside **Shaun** who batted very well for his 39 not out. So 269-8 off 40 was a lot better than 30-3 off 10.

A sumptuous tea between innings helped the team recharge their batteries for the battle ahead

Russell and **Brogan** took the new ball. It took a couple of overs for Ripley to start find the gaps. However, **Russell** had other ideas. He had Ripley Saturday captain bowled with a leggie and then in same over had other bowled for a duck. So similar to LNZ 2 for 27 early on. Unfortunately for NZ Ripley also then had their own big partnership. Their Kiwi pro **Bradley** and keeper Dan combined for a partnership of 143

We had our chances. A couple of hard chances in the deep were dropped by Shaun as the Ripley batsmen pilled on the runs. **Shaun** and **Dan** replaced the 2 openers but found no luck. It was up to chairman **Peter Bellamy** to finally make the breakthrough with a simple caught and bowled.

Like the number 11 bus, another couple of wickets followed very shortly. **Tim Mclean** bowled one and **Peter** had another catch caught by skipper **Richard**

Vossy tried his luck with his off spin but also found it hard going before **Russell** came back into the attack and had the kiwi pro well caught behind by Jacob. So, 188-6 in the 30th. Game on.

The Ripley batsmen then knuckled down not giving any chances and finding the gaps with the ball racing away to the boundary all too often. After a 62-run partnership we go a breakthrough with Jacob getting a very smart stumping off Shaun. **Jacob** had a very tough leg side stumping chance but could not quiet gather it.

250 for 7 with 36 overs gone. **Russell** had another bowled 259-8.

With the score on 262 with 1 over to go, **Russell** had the ball in hand. A single off the first ball brought the youngster to the striker's end. However, 2 low full tosses were then dispatched the square leg boundary and Ripley got home with 3 balls to spare. Ripley voted **Russell Kyne** as our Man of the March for his 82 and 3 wickets. We voted for **Toby Zapp** who anchored the end of run chase with 45 not out and 3 wickets and some committed diving on the rock-hard outfield.

A big thanks to Tim and Russell for answering the late call ups on Saturday night. A great day of cricket played in a good spirit at a very historic venue.

Batting	Runs	Catches/Stumpings
Dan Robinson	21	
Jacob Vanner+	0	1C/1S
Dickie Courie	52	
Cheyne Voss	4	
Russell Kyne	82	
Shaun Raumati	39	
Tony Penman	0	
Brogan McIlwick	22	
Tim McLean	5	
Peter Bellamy	2	1C
Richard Fish*	DNB	1C
Bowling	Figures O/M/R/W	
Brogan McIlwick	6 - 0 - 42 - 0	
Russell Kyne	7.3 - 1 - 55 - 3	
Shaun Raumati	7 - 0 - 44 - 1	
Dan Robinson	5 - 0 - 48 - 0	
Peter Bellamy	6 - 0 - 23 - 2	
Tim McLean	5 - 0 - 23 - 2	
Cheyne Voss	5 - 0 - 30 - 0	