

MATCH REPORT

The Noa V Woodend 05-12-2009

Well this one will be short and sweet, not a lot to tell really.

After Captain Hamilton and his Woodend counterpart mutually agreed that they would bat first, due to only having 7 players for the day and 3 of them had to leave at 5pm (turned out this was never going to be a problem) , they acquired the services of Murdoch junior to boost the batting stocks.

We went into the field with only 8 to start with ourselves, but soon had the full quota.... The opening bowling pair of Heffernan and Murdoch proved a real handful and the Woodend innings was soon in tatters, with an inspired spell of fast bowling from Heffernan, the wickets fell over after over and he eventually finished with the figures of 5 for 5 off 6 overs(there was mention of an honours board but we don't have one). Murdoch at the other end also caused some problems finishing with 2 wickets. Pope was bought on to mop up the tail and he did this with all the enthusiasm of the 10 year old he bowled to close the Woodend innings at 34 (big bully). Our opening pair of Ryan and Lang saw us home untroubled in just over 6 overs, this partnership included the running of a 5.

So for us the toughest part of the day was explaining to our wives that cricket does not always finish this early.