DEVON OVER 50s IIS v CORNWALL, CHUDI FIGH CC May 5th 2021

First Over 50s game for 18 months due to Covid, which meant more injuries than normal! Several hamstrings, quads and other muscles were pulled during the course of the afternoon with Tom Cooper, Steve Broad, Neal Peach, Ian Hayter & probably the other seven as well all suffering to some extent.

Winning the toss Devon batted first and at the half way stage were sitting pretty at 100-1 (Tom had retired hurt) with Jason Degg (40) and Richard Pyle (41) batting well together.

Cornwall's change bowlers settled in to a consistent line and length and pegged us back. As a result, wickets fell in the pursuit of runs and Martin Goff (28) and Steve Broad (14*) were the only other bats to make double figures. A total of 187 was below par.

After tea it was Neal Peach (2-25 off 9) and Paul Nott (0-25 off 9), making a welcome return to 50s cricket after several years in the wilderness, who put pressure on Cornwall and although it took them until the 43rd over to reach our total, wickets were hard to come by. James Ford snagged a couple and there was one for Jason Degg.

Many thanks to Steve Porter for umpiring &Chris Dove for scoring. Chris incidentally, starts his 20th season scoring for the Seniors – a fantastic achievement and one marked by a presentation of a box of Sandford Cider from our Chair Mike Canning.

Debuts: Jason Degg, Steve Broad

Scorecard: https://devoncb.play-cricket.com/website/results/4541193



Chris Dove receives a box of Sandford Cider from Mike Canning