

# Owzat?

## Under 13's



30 June 2011

Played 10 won 10 is a great record for 2011 so far. LPCC is the only unbeaten team in the York & District Junior League under 13's.

What's more, the cricket has been great fun, and of a remarkably high standard, even if we could have hoped for stronger opposition to make matches rather closer. I am sure that those closer matches will come very soon, as we get to the later stages of cup and league, with just a few matches left. Big wins have meant that a number of players have not had the opportunities (particularly batting) which we all want them to have. I am very aware of that, but I think that even for those who have not batted as much as they wanted, playing and practising with good players raises everyone's standards.



### **LPCC 114-4 beat Bishopthorpe 30 all out**

Another handsome victory at Bishopthorpe, with the usual formula of batting first, scoring lots of runs, breaking the back of the opposition batting and allowing everyone to participate. On this occasion LPCC's fielding was at its best. A direct hit from Tommy Hudson started the rot, backed up by excellent catches at mid-off and mid-on by Angus Field, Toby Stephenson, and two (I think) from Ben Shingles. Rory Stephenson finished the innings with two wickets in consecutive balls to set up a hat-trick the following week, with the Stephenson cousins picking up five wickets between them. Earlier Tommy and Ben battled well to an opening stand of 45 before skipper Nathan Saltmer turned on the turbo chargers, with both Nathan and Ben retiring after reaching 30. Angus and Lewis Medley added umph at the end, both getting to double figures. Bishopthorpe were shell-shocked.



### **LPCC 107-2 beat Bishopthorpe 29-8 (again)**



In almost identical fashion Londesborough went through to the next round of the in a replay of the previous week's league match. This time the intimidating Bishopthorpe opening attack bowled very well, with Ben and Harry Gamble battling hard establishing a good platform until Harry was run out. Nathan rattled up 30 again and Charlie Cartwright showed why he thinks he should be batting higher up the order with an excellent 20 not out at the end. Without divine intervention Bishopthorpe subsided in a replica of the previous match. Joe Shingles, bowling a full four overs as Londesborough tried to beat the rain, took six wickets for three runs, a record return for LPCC under 13's bowling, as his accuracy with pace and swing left arm over the wicket proved far too much for the home batsmen. Rory could not quite muster a ball good enough to get his hat-trick set up the previous week.

### **LPCC 120-3 beat Yapham 25 all out**

A weakened Yapham side was demolished at Londesborough, and had to content themselves with enjoying a perfect morning at the Park. Jonty Atkinson and Ben started things off well before both found themselves at the bowler's end while the ball found its way to the 'keeper and Jonty departed. Ben and Nathan went on to retire on 30. Yapham subsided to 3 for 6 before stubborn resistance took them on to respectability. Owen showed good style behind the stumps and is developing into a very useful wicketkeeper. Ben's well flighted off spin brought him three wickets for no runs.

**Training** – I have not been able to make it to training on Tuesdays very often, and I am very grateful to George Drewery, Rich Hanley and Phil Stephenson for being there to help. It is very important that everyone at the club treats others, coaches, team mates, parents and opponents with respect at all times. If behaviour is not good, training and matches won't happen. If there has been a problem with this, I know that I can rely on all players from now onwards to behave well. There is more to cricket than batting, bowling and fielding.

**Caps awarded** - congratulations to Nathan, Ben, Joe, Phil, Charlie, Owen, Toby and Lewis, all of whom have been awarded their club caps after playing in seven matches this year. Let's hope they are useful for keeping off the sun rather than the rain!



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### **Fixtures:**

3 July            Selby (H)

5 July Malton & Norton (A), Cup  
10 July Woodhouse Grange (A)

Mid-week play-off semi-final

17 July Cup/Plate Final

24 July Championship play-off final

**League table (before last weekend's games):**

	P	W	L	PTS
Londesborough	6	6		12
Dunnington	6	5	1	10
Bishopthorpe	6	3	3	6
Woodhouse	6	3	3	6
Yapham	6	3	3	6
York B	6	2	4	4
Selby	5	1	4	2
Stamford	5	0	5	0

