

Monte Carlo Club Cricket Club Newsletter 2 Season 2006

Welcome everyone, new and old members, to the 2006 cricket season. We are looking forward to the upcoming season and continuing on with that winning form we had achieved towards the end of last season. That form has continued into this season with wins in our first two games.

Results so Far:

Monday May 1st vs. Tunbridge Wells.

Monte Carlo won the toss and elected to bat. They managed to achieve MCCC 5/234 (40 overs). We got off to a great start being 0/70, thanks to Nick Thomas 20 and Terry Allen 50, the top order were able to establish the innings, through the efforts of Ed Porter 25, but then had a middle order slight slump to slip to 5/150. We managed, however, to add 84 runs in the last 10 overs for the loss of no wickets to achieve a very combative total. This was due to another magnificent innings from our skipper Shea Parnell 82* and Neil Savage 23*. The entire top order batsman had a great run in the middle, all making a start and getting valuable on field batting time.

Tunbridge Wells 199 all out (40 overs), Bowling honors: Shea Parnell 3/31, Will Durden 4/11, M. Malik 1/35. We bowled well in patches; however our fielding let us down at numerous times during the day, dropping catches and missing run outs. Altogether, it was a good game for the team to get rid of all its cobwebs and great to start the season with a win.

Man of the Match Shea Parnell.

Sunday May 7th vs. Riviera

Monaco won the toss and batted, making 7/228 off our 40 overs. We once again got off to a reasonable start, with our entire top order batsman getting to double figures, Andy Lee 64, Shea Parnell 25; however, no one was able to go on and get a big score and, as a consequence, we found ourselves at 6/140 off 28 overs. The tail was able to wag and add 88 off the last 12 overs, Dan Talbot 25, Neil Savage 27* culminating with some very big hitting from Gilbert Clark, 27* off 11 balls at the end to allow us to achieve a great final total. Riviera made 158 off their 40 overs, bowling honours Gilbert Clark 4/31 8 overs, Don Talbot 3/29 8 overs, Shea Parnell 1/44 8 overs and Nick Thomas 2/5 off 4 overs. It was a fine effort from all our bowlers supported by some great fielding. No doubt as a result of the addition of youth in the team, this being our new recruits from Nice University.

Man of the Match Gilbert Clark

Well done to everyone for their hard work in making the two games so enjoyable, on and off the field. The food and drink has been fantastic and is warmly appreciated by all concerned. Winning has been great as well, the bonus being that everyone has contributed in one way or another.

Well done to everyone!!

Upcoming Fixtures June

Sun, 11th June	League	Monte-Carlo vs. Entrecasteaux @ Entrecasteaux
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Fees 2006

The Club needs the valued and continued support of its membership. For locals subs it will remain at Euro 50.00 for the year. If you are unable to get to the AGM and pay then, would you kindly send a cheque made out to "Monte Carlo Cricket Club" for 50 Euro.

UK based members should please make out a cheque for £15.00 payable to Ed Porter.

Cheques should be sent to:-

Ed Porter (edward.porter@catellacfo.com) or + 377 93104275

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Website

We have a website now, any information that you may require you can find on the website including all upcoming fixtures and social events. If you have any information that you would like to add to the website or any information you think would add value please feel free to contact the Club with your suggestion. The website can be found at the following address:

<http://www.mccricket.com>

Training

Yes, training happens every Wednesday night... The venue is at Terry Allen's place. If you need further details on how to get there please feel free to contact him at terry@leviathanmarine.com.

Captains Corner

Cricket is a bat and ball sport. The objective of the game is to score more runs than the opposing team. A match is divided into innings during which one team bats and one team fields. Season 2006 has started well for us; with two wins from our first two matches because we have been able to make more runs than the opposition. It's a simple game cricket if one looks at in this light. Of course, we know that there is much more than that which makes a game of cricket. There is heaps of planning and coordination required to ensure a good day on and off the field. Not only with our efforts on field, which have been fantastic, but we have managed to be very coordinated as well off field. Hearty thanks here must go to Muneeb, Ed, Terry and

Gilbo for all their hard work.

We have three more fixtures in the local league, it is important that we continue with our present form if we are to win these games. The final result from these wins could be a trip up to Paris. Now wouldn't that a fantastic climax to the end of a season. If, as in 2003, we win the local league, there is the prospect of a national semi final and final in September in Paris. Memories of the 2003 trip, especially the social ones are fast fading. It would be great to repeat this. So stiffen the sinews and come and score some runs and take some wickets for your club and let's aim for Paris again.

New Members and Players

If anyone has any information regarding future members, whether they are none or playing members, please feel free to contact myself with their details. We are always happy to welcome them into our club.

MCCC Committee