

The Boys are back the countdown begins



And the skipper is loosening up.

Despite the disappointing news this week that we have all been locked down for an extended period it was pleasing to hear that the Foxes could return to training at the FCG. After 3 months it must be hugely uplifting to the coaches and squad to come out of Furlough and get back to some sort of activity. Whilst the initial steps are small, individual player/coach sessions it is a long awaited step towards a possible return to cricket next month. It is to be hoped that these latest restrictions in the Leicester area do not scupper the hard work of so many

Dice Cricket County Championship Table 2020

Date:		1st July 2020		Division 2					
Team	P	W	D	L	Bat	Bowl	Total		
1 Leicestershire CCC	9	6	0	3	23	26	145		
2 Glamorgan CCC	8	5	0	3	11	23	114		
3 Middlesex CCC	9	4	1	4	18	23	108		
4 Sussex CCC	8	4	0	4	16	23	103		
5 Derbyshire CCC	8	4	0	4	12	23	99		
6 Worcestershire CCC	8	4	0	4	14	20	98		
7 Nottinghamshire CCC	8	3	1	4	16	20	87		
8 Durham CCC	8	2	0	5	16	22	70		

There was disappointment in the last round of the CricketWorld virtual championship as Foxes fell to their 3rd defeat of the season at home to Middlesex. In a low scoring affair the county were undone by an Eoan Morgan century which secured a healthy first innings lead. Failing to post a big score second time around Middlesex won by 9 wickets. Tom Taylor was the only Fox to pass 50 in the match

A weekend of cricket at the FCG has been a rarity in recent years

This weekend was scheduled to see the T20 Blast home encounter with local rivals Derby on Saturday, followed by round 10 of the CC starting Sunday against Sussex. Ah well !



Did you know that handling a cricket ball, having a cricket Tea or going into a changing room were some of the most high risk activities associated with catching Covid-19 ? I have been in a few dressing rooms and had a few teas where there has undoubtedly been a risk of catching something but I didn't anticipate that the deadly virus would be one of them !

Anyway in what appears to be either a U turn or just some better education the Prime Minister has now changed his mind and the Club game is due to recommence next week. But not in Leicester, where local clubs will have to wait for the lifting of this latest lockdown



Leicestershire

v Sussex

Matches 1st Played in 1900

Total 147 Leicestershire Won 35 Lost 58 Drawn 54 Abandoned 0

Highest total by Leicestershire			
609-8 Dec	A.E.Knight 182 H.Whitehead 116	Grace Rd	1900
Highest total by Sussex			
686 - 8	K.Ranjitsinhji 275 C.B.Fry 135	Grace Rd	1900
Lowest Total by Leicestershire			
40	No batsman made double figures	Hove	1960
Lowest Total by Sussex			
66	G.Geary 5-24 H.Smith 4-32	Aylestone Rd	1935
Highest individual score for Leicestershire			
232	Les Berry	Aylestone Rd	1930
Highest individual score for Sussex			
335*	Murray Goodwin	Hove	2003
Best Bowling in innings for Leicestershire			
8-73	Jack Walsh	Hove	1948
Best bowling innings for Sussex			
8-41	A.Relf in 1912 & A.F.Wensley in 1933	Hove Eastbourne	1912 1933
Best bowling in Match for Leicestershire			
15-100	Jack Walsh	Hove	1948
Best bowling in Match for Sussex			
15-77	A.Relf	Hove	1912
Highest Partnerships for Leicestershire			
1 st Wkt - 153	B.Dudleston & I.Butcher	Grace Rd	1984
2 nd Wkt - 216	B.Dudleston & C.Balderstone	Grace Rd	1973
3 rd Wkt - 163	G.Watson & M.Tompkin	Hastings	1947
4 th Wkt - 256	A.Knight & H.Whitehead	Grace Rd	1900
5 th Wkt - 208	D.Masters & J.Sadler	Hove	2003
6 th Wkt - 169	N.Armstrong & W.Astill	Aylestone Rd	1931
7 th Wkt - 171	V.Crawford & W.Odell	Eastbourne	1908
8 th Wkt - 100	G.Watson & H.Bowley	Aylestone Rd	1937
9 th Wkts - 133	A.Knight & A.Davis	Hove	1905
10 th Wkt - 86	R.MacDonald & J.Whiteside	Hastings	1901

Last season saw Foxes play Sussex only once in the opening fixture at Hove. Leicestershire won the game by 7 wkts. Tom Taylor took 10 wkts in the match for the first time and returned his best bowling figures of 6-47 in the first innings

Paddy Clift made the fastest recorded Championship hundred for the Foxes against Sussex at Hove in 1983 hitting 100* off 58 balls in 50 minutes