RL50 Round 7 BLOG



Northants Steelbacks EDITION

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Family Fun Day at the FCG



It's Family Fun day this Saturday for the visit of the Steelbacks. With entry £1 for everyone, we can hope for another bumper crowd after the 4,000 that were at the FCG on Wednesday. With both sides unable to qualify for the later stages having won 1 game apiece, local bragging rights are the only thing up for grabs. Nevertheless we always have a competitive game with our local rivals, so come along & join in the fun



It was great to see the FCG busting at the seams with the biggest crowd for 4 years on Wednesday evening. We were treated to the finest of T20 innings by Babar Azam who hit 100 off only 63 balls. Pakistan bristled with quality throughout and it will be interesting to see how they go in the series against England before the World Cup starts at the end of the month. Mention also to Foxes Ben Mike for taking the game to Pakistan with some big hitting of his own









There's a quick turnaround after Northants with our next & final game in the RL50 ODC on Bank Holiday Monday against the Warwickshire Bears.

Make the most of this because there is then a 3 week gap to the next match at the FCG when we play Derbyshire in the Championship starting 27/5





The Guest cake for this match is Towcester
Cheesecake, available in the Meet from around
2.30 + the usual at seat service

Leicestershire V Northants Steelbacks



Records for List A matches include all 1 day competitions in the various formats from 1963 including Gillette Cup, B&H Cup, Sunday League, 40 Over comp and the current RL50

Matches 1st Played in 1964 (Gillette Cup 60 Over) Total 70 Leicestershire Won 26 Lost 31 No Result/ Abandoned 13

Highest total by Leicestershire			
268-6 (50 Over)	HD Ackerman 139	Northampton	2008
Highest total by Northants			
261-8 (50 Over)	N.O'Brien 95, L.Klusener 42	Northampton	2008
Lowest Total by Leicestershire			
56	P.Munden 15	Grace Road	1964
Lowest Total by Northants			
62	N.McVicker 4-26, K.Higgs 3-6	Grace Road	1974
Highest individual score for Leicestershire			
139	HD Ackerman	Northampton	2008
Highest individual score for Northants			
132*	A.Fordham	Northampton	1991
Best Bowling in innings for Leicestershire			
5-20	L.Taylor	Luton	1989
Best bowling innings for Northants			
5-22	A.Hall	Northampton	2011
Highest Partnerships for Leicestershire			
1 st Wkt - 158	T.New & D.Robinson	Oakham	2006
2 nd Wkt – 129	T.Boon & J.Whitaker	Grace Road	1990
3 rd Wkt – 130	J.Whitaker & P.Robinson	Lords (Nat	1992
		West Final)	
4 th Wkt – 121	J.Whitaker & L.Potter	Northampton	1991
5 th Wkt – 92	B.Smith & P.Nixon	Grace Road	1994
6 th Wkt – 58*	R.Tolchard & G.Cross	Northampton	1975
7 th Wkt – 61	P.Nixon & M.Gidley	Grace Road	1992
8 th Wkt – 116*	N.Burns & P.DeFreitas	Grace Road	2001
9 th Wkts – 37	T.Boon & J.Agnew	Northampton	1987
10 th Wkt – 15*	T.Boon & L.Taylor	Northampton	1987

You have to go back to 2011 to find a game that actually finished against Northants at Grace Rd. The last 2 meetings between the team in 2014 & 2017 both were washed out by the rain

In one day cricket games against Northants have the dubious record of being the most abandoned opposition. With that stat and it being a Bank Holiday weekend and Family Fun Day what are the odds of a completed game ?