

Playing cricket against your mates is a strange experience. For a start the games often lack intensity and drama. As with everything there are exceptions and when you play against the Wright brothers it normally produces anything but the norm. That said, James and Ian are two of the blokes you'd want in your team when you are in deep shit and your backs against the wall and for that reason, you wouldn't want to be against them too often either.

Maybe that was why we tried to keep things light hearted and not get involved in a blood and guts style battle. Simon Walker's return saw some strange names going down in the 20/20 scorebook and Nick Arnold was in a buoyant mood as he looked forward to an unexpected piece of pork pie at the break.

Our final score of over the 100 mark was down in the main to Sean Bradford's return to form and whilst he fell one short of a well deserved 50, he had at least given the side a real chance. That said, we still needed to bowl well, and we did at the start with Delaney and Simon pegging Freith down. The middle overs were tight though and it could really have been anyone's game. Geoff Mattingley disappeared down a hole in the corn field to give us one of the comedy moments of the season to lighten the mood and with introduction of Des O'Connor we tightened our grip and won.