The Eifion Jones Single Wicket Competition at Prevessin on Sunday, August 13th, 2017

The Single Wicket competition was held on a glorious day, with 15 players participating, which meant that one player (Achintya Rao) had a bye into the next round. Five former winners were present.

During the first round, Saby Siddhanta unfortunately dislocated his finger trying to take a catch and had to be taken to hospital in the CERN ambulance. This meant that Daniel Manchala ended up with a bye to the next round. A couple of close games ended up with one previous winner, Chris Onions (5, not using his 10 bonus runs), losing to Pascal Badan (7) and another winner, Imtiaz Ahmed (21 with his 4 bonus runs) beating his son Dawood Ahmed (19). Elmer Sharp (28) beat former winner Dave Allen (17 with his 10 bonus runs).

In round 2, two former winners met, Imtiaz batting first made 27 and then Richard Onions hit 21 off the first over and looked in control but then only scored 3 off the first 3 balls and then was bowled going for a big hit. Needing 9 off 2 balls, he was then bowled out twice, giving Imtiaz the first hat trick in this competition. Well done Imtiaz! Pardeep Kumar (9) was beaten by Elmer (12), Pascal (7) was well beaten by Daniel (35) and Matthew Martin (21) beat Achintya (4).

In the first semi-final, Elmer, batting first, scored 8 and Imtiaz scored 13 (with his 4 bonus runs) to go through to the final. In the other semi-final, Daniel (4) was beaten by Matthew (17).

The final, which is three overs each, was a high scoring game, with Imtiaz scoring 41 but Matthew, batting second, paced his innings well to make 42. Neither player was out.

Congratulations to Matthew for retaining the trophy.

The score cards and results are available on the web site.

Many thanks are due to Colin Carter and Saud Ahmed for umpiring all day, and to all the participants for making this a very enjoyable day.