

The Eifion Jones Single Wicket Competition at Prévessin on Sunday, August 21st, 2022

The Single Wicket competition took place on a beautiful day with 17 players participating, plus two umpires.

Having more than 16 players meant that one preliminary round match was necessary. Ian Coltart (7) played Matthew Martin (21), thus Ian was the first to be eliminated, making it a long afternoon ahead for him in the field.

In the first round, there were four scores of over 20 - Sohaib Qazi (29) beat John Osborne (18), Dawood Ahmed (26) won against Partha Paul (9), Matthew Watkins (22) prevailed against Julian Olsen-Pendergast (21) in a very close game and Irsalan Ahmed (21) won against Finlay Feakes (10). Other players eliminated in this round were Pascal Badan, Bilal Kiani, Ibtisam Aslam and Matthew Martin.

In round 2, for the first time in the competition, players from the same family (Imtiaz Ahmed and his 3 sons, Dawood, Saud and Irsalan, qualified for the semi-finals, Imtiaz taking full advantage of his +9 runs.

In the semi-finals, both matches were very close, in the first one Irsalan (9) beat Imtiaz (7) thanks to some excellent bowling, getting Imtiaz out 3 times. In the second match, Dawood (20) beat Saud (19) in a tense match.

The final, which is three overs each, saw Irsalan score 18 and Dawood, batting second, only managed 13.

Congratulations to Irsalan for winning the trophy for the first time,

Thanks to Chris Onions for umpiring and scoring all day and to Colin Carter for standing as square leg umpire.

Many thanks to all who participated to make this another memorable day in memory of Eifion Jones.

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