



Battle of the A52

Nottinghamshire Law Society

'v'

Derby & District Law Society



And so, the scene is set, a tranquil cricket pitch in Attenborough Village on a sunny summer's evening on the 11th August 2022.

Teams assembled from both sides of the A52 for the cricket match of the year...

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The coin toss....

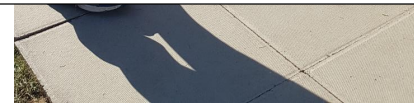
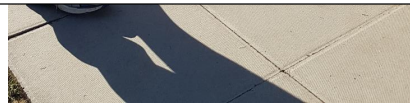
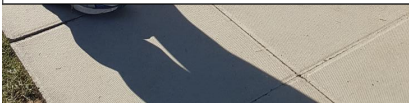


Derby to open batting...



Nottinghamshire to field...

Let battle commence!



Jagdish Parwar and Alex Needham opened the batting for Derby & District Law Society (DDLS), with Aaron Singh and Matt Slade bowling for Nottinghamshire Law Society (NLS).

After some fantastic bowling, Matt finally bowled out Alex Needham, leading Nick Wright into bat for Derby next.

NLS then changed their bowling tactics bringing into Grant Benskin to bowl to Nick Wright, which was caught fantastically by Aaron Singh. Hugh White was next into bat for DDLS.

The scores at this point of play for DDLS was 44 runs, 2 wickets and 9 overs! At 10 overs we changed ends and beginning the batting for DDLS was Phil Bramall, team captain but, didn't manage to stay in for very long being caught out at 55 runs, 3 wickets and 12 overs.

NLS bowling pairs were Billy Shaw and Ben Shellard, with John Ellis batting for DDLS but, not for long as Matt Slade fielding caught a brilliant hit perfectly – Ellis out! James Newton, next into bat and according to match scorer Dave Wykes, there were a lot of wides (who am I to know that information)!

Aaron Singh steps back into bowling paired with NLS Captain Kassra Powles, we are now at 73 runs, 5 wickets and 15 overs.

Longstanding DDLS batter Jagdish Parwar is finally caught out by an amazing catch from Matt Slade, after 21 runs!





Stepping up to bat next is our very own Joanne Derbyshire from NLS. Joanne was on loan to DDLS due to shortage of players and because her name was Derbyshire, we thought it would work.

Joanne put on a great performance for the DDLS team, she has a great batting skill and one NLS will be keeping hold off in future games for 2023.

Unfortunately, our loan of Joanne to the DDLS team and was replaced by Graham Dean batting alongside James Newton.

Then it's all over for DDLS at 89 runs, 8 wickets and 18 overs!

Time for NLS to take to the bat beginning with Paul Hinchliffe and Shoaib Azad, with motivational words at the break from Head of Operations, Michelle Foster, "no pressure guys, let's bring this trophy home" the guys went out there to show them what the battle of the A52 is all about.

Alex Needham began the bowling for DDLS taking out Paul Hinchliffe at a wicket, next into bat was devoted NLS cricket player Martin Foulds. After approximately 20 minutes of play, NLS are at 31 runs for 1 wicket and 4 overs – not bad!

DDLS Captain Phil Bramall steps up to bowl his best against the Nottinghamshire team and it is at this point that Shoaib is caught out by Alex Needham at 42 runs, 2 wickets and 6 overs.

Well done, Shoaib!

Aaron Singh comes into bat with Martin Foulds and this time it is Jagdish Parwar bowling for DDLS.

At 7:45pm, NLS were at 59 runs, 2 wickets and 9 overs we were storming ahead!

From then it is a blur of fantastic batting, runs and then Aaron is caught out. George Neville steps up for the team to bat against James Newton bowling.

And at 7:58pm it is all over, 90 runs, 3 wickets and 11 overs – Nottinghamshire Law Society championed the Battle of the A52 again this year!



After a scrumptious cricket tea, the presentation of the trophy was made by Derby & District Law Society President, Manesha Ruparel to NLS Captain Kassra Powles.





Nottinghamshire Law Society Team
Joanne Derbyshire, Ben Shellard Martin Foulds, Alistair Rose, Billy Sharp, Liam Wilkinson, Wesley Walton, Shiv Nand, Kassra Powles (Captain)
Grant Benski, Shoaib Azad, Matt Slade, Paul Hinchliffe, Aaron Singh



Derby & District Law Society Team
Jagdish Parwar, James Newton, Martin Salt, Phil Bramall (Captain) Nick Wright, John Ellis, Alex Needham, Hugh White, Graham Dean



Always time for a selfie....

Thanks was given to Derby & District Law Society for hosting the game at Attenborough Cricket Club and to the supportive umpires Ruki De Silva and Charlie Langton.

Derby & District President Manesha Ruparel with spectators



Cricket match scorer, Dave Wykes with team members from the DDLS

Until then, we will see you to defend the trophy next year...