

Staff Association



CRICKET

CERN CC at the B.Bailey's Cup (8 August 1993)

Like every year, CERN CC was invited to play the 'B.Bailey 6-a-side Cup' at the Bout-du-Monde Stadium. In this one-day cricket tournament, organized by Geneva CC, the strongest teams of the Geneva area take part. Since the number of players per team is limited to 6 (to play 10-over innings), it could be expected that each one of them would play their most attacking batting and likewise bowling, therefore being very attractive to watch. Indeed, a rather big crowd was present around the field all day long. The initial rounds of the tournament didn't cause any problem to CERN. It was as easy as flipping a coin - and by mid-day CERN found themselves in the 2nd semi-finals. The 1st semi-finals were Geneva CC vs Geneva Sri Lankans. Batting first, Geneva CC collected 89 well-deserved runs. The opponents struggled to 85 runs with only 2 (!) balls left off the final over. The last but one ball gave a boundary-4, making the score even! A breath-taking moment for the noisy audience? No! One ball left! Impossible! A tie? The fielders came in tight, the bowler ran up, the batsman swung his bat and the run was made! Scoring the winning run off the last ball of the match the Sri Lankans entered the Bailey-Cup-final! The 2nd semi-final, CERN CC vs Pak Friends, was somehow less balanced. Lacking - for unknown reasons - an experienced wicket-keeper in Mike S., CERN had a difficult fielding-side. The Pakistanis gathered 117 respectable runs off the 10 overs. In spite of the good performance of booming Dave Allen (46) CERN were 89 all out in the last over. Thus Pak Friends were in the final. Facing Geneva CC for the bronze, CERN batted first. Opening batter, Zingy Zuberi (not out), contributed 50 runs to CERN's rather meagre total of 88 runs. Then, CERN bowling, Onions (1 for 3) and Allen (1 for 8) got quick wickets. Schyns, who got slightly injured during the semi-final, managed to bowl 2 'Oakies' as a diversionary manoeuvre, leading to the fall of the 3rd wicket of the innings. At a score of 48 off 5 overs it still looked as though Geneva would win. Then Tsismelis (3 for 4) managed to get the crowd on the edges of their seats: he got two successive wickets! Noisy echoes in the stadium! With only one wicket left, again, like last week, another match-winning hat-trick leading to honourable bronze for CERN? No, Tsismelis took the last wicket two balls later, having Geneva CC 52 all out after 6 overs. The final, Geneva Sri Lankans vs Pak Friends, was an outstanding match, with many highlights. A very enthusiastic crowd enjoyed 148 (!)

off 10 overs. Up to the 6th over, the Cup-defending Pak Friends managed to keep up an even higher scoring rate per over than the Sri Lankans, but, in smelling victory, they lost 2 important wickets, making it impossible to win. Nevertheless they scored 129 for 2 of 10 overs. Thus Geneva Sri Lankans won the Bailey's Cup '93, Pak Friends were runners up, and CERN took the bronze, a good day for Suisse cricket.

The next match is on Sunday, 15 August at the Bout-du-Monde (12h00), vs Geneva CC for the John Harvey Memorial Cup. The reader and friends are most welcome.

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Chœur du CERN - CERN Choir

Nous serions très heureux d'accueillir de nouveaux membres, et tout spécialement des voix d'hommes - ténors et basses - en vue de notre prochain concert de Noël. Outre les traditionnels chants de Noël le programme comportera des œuvres pour chœur et orchestre de Hændel et de Vivaldi.

La première répétition aura lieu le mercredi 8 septembre 1993 à 20h00 à l'Amphithéâtre principal (Bât. 60).

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We shall be pleased to welcome new members, and will be particularly grateful for tenors and basses, for our Christmas concert. The programme will contain music for choir and orchestra by Hændel and Vivaldi, and a selection of Christmas pieces.

The first rehearsal will take place on the 8th of September 1993 at 8.00 p.m. at the main Auditorium (Bldg. 60).

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The annual match, Switzerland v. a representative Irish side, took place in Dublin on July 29 - 30th. Having lost the last three such matches, including against the French, the Irish selected virtually their national team. Result: Switzerland won only one match, though two others were very close.

The following week, our four players competed in various advanced and handicap events in the Championships of Ireland, playing competitors from Ireland, England, Scotland and New Zealand, an enriching experience, enjoying incredibly good weather after the wettest July for several decades.

Results: Ian Sexton won the Green Cup (for 5 & over handicaps) which Norman Eatough won last year. Ian and Peter Payne won the handicap doubles. Norman Eatough reached two semi-finals, beating the Irish champion on the way. Steve Hillier reached the semis of the over-10 handicap event.

Handicap changes: Ian 8 to 6, Peter 8 to 7, Norman 3.5 to 3.

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Weekend of 14-15th August: Midsummer event at CERN.

Weekend of 21-22nd August: Switzerland v. a representative England side, the top croquet nation, at CERN.

Spectators are welcome at both these events.

Le match annuel, la Suisse contre une équipe représentative Irlandaise, a eu lieu les 29 et 30 juillet à Dublin. Ayant perdu les trois derniers matches de ce genre, les Irlandais ont sélectionné virtuellement leur équipe nationale.

Résultat: La Suisse n'a gagné qu'un seul match, quoique deux autres étaient très serrés.

La semaine suivante, nos quatre joueurs ont participé à diverses événements dans le cadre des Championnats d'Irlande, rencontrant des joueurs d'Irlande, d'Angleterre, d'Ecosse et de la Nouvelle Zélande, expérience enrichissante, et ont bénéficié d'un temps incroyablement beau, suite au mois de juillet le plus humide depuis plusieurs décennies.

Résultats: Ian Sexton gagne la Green Cup (pour les handicaps 5 et plus), que Norman Eatough a gagnée l'année passée. Ian et Peter Payne gagnent le double

handicap. Norman Eatough atteint deux demi-finales, battant en route le champion Irlandais. Steve Hillier atteint la demi-finale des handicaps 10 et plus.

Changements de handicap: Ian 8 à 6. Peter 8 à 7, Norman 3.5 à 3.

Weekend des 14-15 août: Manifestation de la mi-été au CERN.

Weekend des 21-22 août: la Suisse contre une équipe représentative d'Angleterre, la nation la plus forte en croquet, au CERN.

Les spectateurs seront les bienvenus lors des deux manifestations.