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Corinthian Cricket Club

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The only cricket newsletter in the USA whose title appears in Turkish.

Corinthians 3-3

Corinthians hold on to third place in Division 2...

Corinthians v Hollywood 2 – Won by 2 wickets

The Corinthians got off to the perfect start despite losing the toss and being asked to field. Some devastating quick bowling from openers Richard (3-24) and Gokul (1-11) had Hollywood reeling at 24 for 4 after 10 overs. The Corinthian attitude in the field was superb and even the toughest catches were taken, notably by Gokul and Masud. Faran (2-43), Deep (3-43) and Amit (1-12) all got in amongst the wickets and spinners Masud and Andrew both bowled good tight lines. Hollywood rallied, mainly due to Gary Crocker's sensible knock of 75, but the innings ended in the 36th over, all out for 173. The day didn't go by without incident. Two Corinthians players ended in the local hospital, Gokul, who split the webbing on his fingers going for a catch, and Masud, who dislocated his shoulder. Gokul returned to the field with a heavily bandaged hand to take two further catches. The Corinthians batsmen made heavy work of reaching a modest total. Raj Naik was the star of the day. He opened and batted sensibly right the way through the innings, carrying his bat for superb knock of 77 while wickets fell at regular intervals at the other end. At 55 for 4 the game was swinging Hollywood's way but some fine late middle and tail end batting from Paul Severn and Michael Flood edged Corinthians ever closer to the win. At 9 wickets down and with only the injured Masud left to bat it was left to Raj and captain Kelly Dunagan to hit the final runs in the 43rd over. A nail biting finish to a great days cricket.

Corinthians v Britamer – Won by 101 runs

Another great win for the Corinthians and another great game to watch. After losing the toss Corinthians were put into bat. Openers Gokul and Raj looked in control but both fell relatively cheaply. Mark Punshon, making his debut after recovering from an ankle injury, batted with confidence, taking good quick singles, putting the bad balls away for 4, and showing he could play as well off the front foot as the back, making an impressive 56. He was well supported by Faran (22) and Conan (20) who resolutely stayed at the wicket and actually faced more balls than anyone else. ("I counted them!" *The Editor*.) Then came a middle order collapse where the Britamer spinners claimed 6 wickets for just 15 runs and the game looked to have got away from the Corinthians, until the last pair of Amit and skipper Kelly came to the crease. Sensible defense and sound shot playing by the pair moved the total from 137 to 190 before the last man fell, a fantastic stand of 53 for the last wicket. Corinthians took the field, fired up and ready to go. Opening the bowling Richard bowled a devastating spell of 2 wickets for just 4 runs in 4 overs and once again Gokul showed his ability at this level, bowling accurately with pace and swing, taking a match winning

5 for 28 from 9 overs. This was a great effort in the field from the Corinthian team with Cliff and Mark both running out Britamer batsmen and catches for keeper Paul and Raj and Richard in the slips. Batting at number 9 and 11, Suleman and Bilal put on a spirited last stand of 47 before Raj got Bilal to edge one to slips and the Britamer innings came to a close at just 99 runs.

Corinthians v United – Lost by 7 wickets

This was a day of good starts for the Corinthian batsmen. Opening, Mick Durant and Raj batted sensibly to see off the new ball on a track that had a little early movement for the bowlers but which then turned into a great batting wicket. Mark, Faran and Andrew Price all played some good shots and made it into the 20's but neither they or any of the other Corinthian batsmen could go on to make a score. All credit to the United bowlers who bowled a tight line and length without giving away many extras. The Corinthian innings ended in the 44th over with just 173 runs scored. Playing his first game Mick Durant took over the opening bowling spot for the injured Richard and did well to get an early wicket. Gokul bowled a good line with Raj and Andrew both returning to form with the ball. Unfortunately too many short balls from the Corinthian bowlers sat up and begged to be put away, and the United batsmen were happy to oblige. Chances were created but it was just one of those days when nothing seems to go to hand. At the end 173 was never going to be enough runs and United easily brought the game home.

Casuals 2-2

And it's even stevens in Division 3...

Casuals vs Regal – Lost by 2 wickets

With Adnan leading the side in place of the injured Phil Traynor, Casuals won the toss and elected to bat. It turned out to be an extremely uneven and dangerous matting strip. (*Note to SCCA: Someone could get hurt!*) Rameez opened the batting with some crisp strokes all around the park but eventually played one big shot too many. From then on Casuals started losing wickets at regular intervals since none of the batsmen took responsibility to stay on, and the team scored only 135. Casuals started their bowling with Adnan who took two wickets in his first over which indicated a nail biting finish for the game. Regal lost their first four wickets for 11 but then Sai, who was dropped on 0, and Sagar played wonderful innings to take the score to 67. Couple of run outs opened the door for Casuals and Regals were 113 for 8, but the last two Regal batsmen played sensibly and won the game for them. Overall a great game.

Club President In Urdu Scandal

Mr. Max Zaidi, the CCC President, refused all requests for interviews yesterday following allegations that he distinctly listened to someone speaking Urdu recently.

One witness told *The Cow*, “Well, I was shocked – being an English-language-only club and all. I wouldn’t have believed it if I hadn’t heard it with my own ears, even though I come from Leeds and I don’t speak Urdu anyway.” It transpired that a visiting spectator had lured the president to drop his guard by publicly engaging him in a wordy monologue in Urdu during a recent away fixture. “It might have been about cricket, because we were watching a game at the time,” said another witness, “but there was definitely something about a sprinkler head, and something to do with ‘model shows.’ But I don’t understand Urdu either.”

When asked if the president betrayed any element of return communication, in flagrant breach of club rules, witnesses were less sure. “Well, I don’t know,” said one. “I’m from Australia and I wouldn’t have understood it anyway.”

Star Aussie Net Bowler in ‘Straight Ball’ Shock

Star Aussie batsman Conan Fulton was at the center of another controversy this week after managing to deliver a straight ball during club net practice. “Strewth,” commented Fulton, “it was perfect - straight, controlled and only bouncing once. The batsman had no idea.” “Well,” explained the batsman in question, “that’s only because I didn’t expect one on target.”

“I’ve told the skipper I’m available this week, but it’s about time I was considered an all-rounder by now,” continued Fulton. “After all, it was straighter than anything you’ve seen from Shane Warne.” Asked whether he would be concentrating more on ‘sliders’ or ‘doosras’ in future, Fulton commented “I dunno yet. I’ll see what the missus says.”



Star Aussie Batsman Fingering In Coke Dealing Scandal

Team Captain Caught Again Talking To A Woman Scandal

Another scandal rocked the Corinthian CC to its core yesterday, when it was revealed that Corinthians captain Kelly Dunagan was overheard engaging yet another mysterious female beauty in a secretive, probing conversation.

Hotly pursued by our reporter in a pre-dawn chase, the beleaguered Dunagan was followed to a gas station outside of Riverside, California, where he was overheard making breathy and salacious advances to the dark-eyed, dusky 18-year-old Sangeeta “Starlips” Patel, a part-time topless model and junior sales assistant at Patel’s Discount Gas Outlet on Oak Street.



Sangeeta “Starlips” Patel yesterday

“I didn’t like to talk so much, because I was working,” confessed Patel to *The Cow*. “He was asking lots of questions.” When pressed to reveal more, she added, “to begin, it was innocent enough, about the price of donuts and coffee. But soon he said something about being lost, and needing to find a friend. Naturally I felt sorry for him. So I sold him some of our special magazines.”

Asked whether she was shocked by the stunning advance, she blushed playfully. “In my culture, we must respect old people.”

Lawyers for Mr. Dunagan responded only with a Cease And Desist order and a final demand concerning his flower bed.

Hollywood Reporter columnist Polly Snapper, who has followed celebrity gossip for years, was asked by *The Cow* yesterday if this is always how it starts. “Yes,” she replied.

Match reports written by Messrs. Blackledge and Shoab.

This month’s extra scandals supplied by Gokul Swamy and Raj Naik.

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****Reminder** Membership Forms 2007**

Your club is now officially registered in California as “**The Corinthian Cricket Club, Inc.**” Because of this, a **new requirement** for **ALL current members** will be to complete and submit a Club Membership form. This acts as confirmation of your ongoing membership, and will ensure our members’ registration into LASCA and SCCA leagues.

England Tour – August

Don’t forget, members all, that the departure date for the Corinthian CC tour to England is approaching fast.

This will be our first major tour since 2001 and is guaranteed to be a truly memorable trip. Games to be played at beautiful venues, great accommodation, ODI tickets (England v India), possible celebrity encounters, trips to the pub (*Editor’s note: “Historical Monuments, surely..?”*) and lots more besides.

All the latest details and news can be found on the club website. Check it today!



Borg’s seed discovered in LA!

Los Angeles: Little is known of tennis legend Bjorn Borg before he won his first US open. Until now. It was recently discovered after frequent guessing that the lost son of great Borg was Cliff the cliff-climber, a surfer dude from LA who was recently seen looking concerned, yet unfazed - an expression his famous father was known for.

However, Cliff still managed a smile. “Dude...like, this is awesome..” he muttered showing us all his teeth, rather like the legendary Borg from whose loins he sprang from many mysterious years ago. Unlike an ungrateful Luke Skywalker who reacted in horror when being informed who his father was, Cliff has welcomed the idea of his own true lineage and has vowed to grow back his hair as a tribute to his father.
-Reuters