



TODAY'S TEAMS

NEW BRIGHTON

Hale PA (Capt & WK)
Botes L
Evans ML
Mohammed N
Mohammed Z
Nawab A
Roberts A
Thompson M
While DR
While JP
Wilson LI

FLEETWOOD HESKETH

from

Wells G (Capt)
Bimpson MJ (WK)
Bowden JS
Davies AJ
Halsall AD
Other AN
Prince MK
Rimmer ND
Rogan AD
Sykes D
Wareing TJ
Watts A

UMPIRES: Kevin Wilson and Ken Peers

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1st XI v's FLEETWOOD HESKETH

Captain's Comments

We welcome Gary Wells and his Fleetwood Hesketh team to Rake Lane this weekend. It has been noticed how well they have started the season and their successes so far have been achieved without their overseas professional Mahendra Nagamootoo. His arrival, in common with many other players from abroad this summer, has been delayed by his failure to secure a visa to enter the U.K.

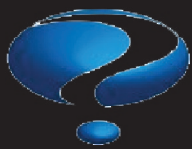
The old work permit arrangements have changed this year and have been replaced by a new process in which clubs can engage an overseas player by tier 5 (professional) or Sports Visitor visa (non-professional-expenses only). A quick look around the league shows that the delays in entry have been widespread.

We are coming off a disappointing weekend with two defeats in three games with only Monday's win at

Newton le Willows worthy of comment. It was great to see Martin and Logsy scoring runs and Ashraf and Alex taking wickets (even if the big guy's were 'pinched' at the end of the innings!)

Our batting needs to click into gear today if we are to get anything from this difficult game but we have the return of the experienced Louis Botes to look forward to. Many thanks for your flowers and 'get well slowly' cards! I should be back in action next weekend for the games at Hightown and at home to Vernon Carus (Lancashire Cup).

For those interested, it was only my wound that was glued together and not my teeth as some of you had requested! Enjoy the game and let's hope for some exciting cricket.



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