

# BES Cricket Club

Did you know that the Shul has its very own cricket team? It goes by the name BESCC and on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the team played a 20 over midweek game vs Stanmore Shul.

## VICTORY IS OURS!!!!

### BESCC 116-8

Saul Freedman 27 not out  
Jeremy Turek 21  
Brian Green 21

### Stanmore Shul 96 all out

Jonathan Freedman 2-4  
Phil Lassman 3-13  
David Marks 3-15  
Jacob Freedman 1-0  
Saul Freedman 1-35

## BESCC WON by 20 runs

This was the first midweek game for BESCC and it was exceptionally pleasing to see a full team especially as they had struggled for fielding a Sunday team so far this season. Having lost the toss, stand-in Skipper Harvey Samuels was pleased when his opposite number decided that BESCC should bat first. He was going to do that anyway!

But the start was not as intended... losing Jacob Freedman and Harvey Samuels both in the very first over of the match for few runs, and then falling to 10-3, it did not look good. Regular team captain and manager Joel Sager was not amused at home either when getting text updates!!!!

A quality mid-innings batting partnership of 47 between Jeremy Turek and Brian Green not only steadied the ship but also created an excellent foundation for the lower order to set up a reasonable score to defend.

After Turek and Green were both out, each for 21 runs, there was another batting collapse taking the score from 57-4 to 73-7. Little did we know that a late excellent cameo role from Saul Freedman, finishing on 27 not out, took the BESCC final score to 116-8 off their allocated 20 overs; a highly credible score.

There was still work to be done though... The drive and desire from the BESCC fielders pushed them to keep the bowling tight and hence, the wickets came. From his 4 overs, Jonathan Freedman, making his debut for BESCC conceded only 4 runs, 3 of which came in his first over. His final 3 overs went for 1 run, taking 2 wickets in the process – an excellent performance Mr Freedman Snr!

Stanmore's first batsman was dismissed with an excellent catch from Harvey Samuels (knowing Harvey, Joel doesn't believe it!!!) off Saul Freedman's very first ball... and the wickets continued to come especially through the efforts of Phil Lassman, also on debut taking 3-13. The excellent bowling performances continued with David Marks, also on debut rolling back the years with 3-15. Stanmore's inning was finally completed when their final wicket was clean bowled by Jacob Freedman, not on debut, creating a 20 run victory.

This was a very pleasing performance, played in an excellent spirit... a big thank you to BESCC debutants Phil Lassman, Brian Green and David Marks as well as to Dan Freedman who came along only to watch but due to the late withdrawal of David Shaw, was asked to help out by playing and not only did he field very well but also came on to bowl at the end when victory was in our sights.

Further midweek games are going to be organised so we look forward to many more enjoyable Wednesday evenings on the cricket field and hopefully with our now fit again Captain and glorious leader, Joel Sager back in our midst.

If interested in playing for BESCC and are currently a member of the Shul, please email [joelsager@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:joelsager@yahoo.co.uk) for further details.



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