

Hampshire Hogs v Honourable Artillery Company (HAC)

22nd June 2008

Hampshire Hogs, 191 for 9 (M T C Allom 58*, A Pick 4-64), drew with HAC, 195 all out (K Hancock 76, B Heavey 4-22, C D E Bazalgette 4-24).

In a thrilling finish, the Hogs failed by just 5 runs to overhaul the HAC, who themselves let the match slip through their fingers by dropping a handful of catches. Matt Allom's aggressive leadership with the bat (58*) was only let down by his leaving The Gette to face the last 2 balls when but a fourth six would have brought him glorious victory.

HAC, inserted by the Hogs, started well with Hancock (76) and Newman (37) dominating until Dom Allom (2-44 and 3 catches) struck twice in one over and opened the door for the partnership of Heavey (4-22) and Bazalgette (4-24) to take the last 8 wickets for 99.

As the pace of the wicket slowed to a crawl, the Hogs' batsmen struggled with their timing but a patient innings of 34 from Came, helped by Hughes's more fluent 26, set the scene for Matt Allom's heroic display as batting partners fell around him.