

2017 Rathbones Premier League & Bollywood Bytes Division 1
Handicaps

The Rathbones handicap is back this year. Below is a reminder of how you can score points. The overall winner will be either the batsman or bowler with the most points. There are no points for catches, run outs, stumpings etc and will not include T20 matches.

The system aims to give everyone some sort of chance as it awards those who bat lower down the order more points for their runs and bowlers who bowl well without taking any wickets, points for economy rates. Opening batsmen are both recorded as 1.

Batsmen's points are scored using the following formula;
Runs scored x (batting position x 0.1) x (strike rate off four balls)
So if number 1 bat scores 50 runs off 50 balls
His total points are;
 $(50 + (50 \times (3 \times 0.1))) \times 4 = 220$ points

Bowler's points are scored using the following formula;
 $(\text{Wickets taken} \times 20) - (\text{Batsman's batting positions}) \times (10 - \text{economy rate})$
So if a bowler takes 2 wickets and his victims were both opening batsmen at an economy rate of 4 he would score
 $(40 - 2) \times (10 - 4) = 228$ points

If a bowler doesn't take a wicket he can score points the following way;
 $(10 - \text{Economy rate}) \times \text{Overs bowled}$
So if a bowler bowls 10 overs at an economy of 2 he will get;
 $8 \times 10 = 80$ points.
Hope that all makes sense.

It seemed to work last time as there were five bowlers and five batsmen in the top 10. It does require scorecards to be accurate however so please make sure all information is recorded.

Jon Giles of Rathbones has once again generously offered a prize of two tickets to Lords and hamper for the winner.

Bollywood Bytes have offered a meal for two for the winner of the Division 1 handicap.

Weekly standings will be available on the website.

Good luck everyone!