

Final Preview

The final weekend of the domestic cricket season is upon us and it promises to serve up a competitive encounter. Both St Ouen Springfield and Farmers Caesareans have enjoyed successful summers with each team taking home the 40 over and T20 silverware respectively.

St Ouen Springfield have been the consistent performers throughout the year with a team full of experience. Captained by Peter Gough, the leading run scorer in ICC World Cricket League history, they have a core group of senior players to call on with the potential to win any game on their day. Dom Blampied has been the mainstay of the St Ouen Springfield line up with 233 runs @ 77 and 16 wickets @ 13 with the ball. Having handed the captaincy over to Gough for this season it seems to have paid off allowing SOS to get the most out of him.

Gough, speaking about his side ‘we have a great group of blokes willing to work as hard as they can for others in the side. Its been a pleasure to skipper them this season and seeing some young players like Toby Clark and James Sunley come in and contribute straight away has been vital to the clubs development not just this year but in future years’.

‘It will be a great occasion (as always) at Farmers and I’m sure the spectators will get to see some excellent local cricket on show Saturday’.

Farmers Caesareans are beginning to see the emergence of youth within the club - having had 5 first team players in the Jersey U19 squad who travelled to the Netherlands recently. Add in the international caps of island captain Chuggy Perchard, Rhys Palmer, Nick Ferraby and Ben Kynman then you can see why the Farmers side have once again been challenging on all fronts. The U19 duo of Harrison Carlyon (233 @ 76) and Zak Tribe (203 @ 33) have led the way with the bat whilst Ben Kynman (11 @ 16) and Josh Lawrenson (8 @ 10) have done the damage with the ball.

Farmers captain, James Perchard, said ‘the CI League has been an excellent and exciting league once again, and the players have all enjoyed the challenge’.

‘We have had a strong season thus far winning the T20 Premier League earlier in the season, but SOS are a very strong side, particularly with the bat. We have played them four times this season, and it’s currently two wins each, so I think we should be set up for an excellent game’.

On what will undoubtedly be a good wicket at Farmers Field, where batters can hit confidently through the line and score big once in, it may be that the team who is most disciplined with the ball on this occasion will be lifting the trophy Saturday evening.

The PraxisIFM CI League final takes place at Farmers Field (Jersey) on Saturday 7th September at 11am