

# ZCCC Zuoz U11 Tournament Report

3 & 4 June 2017

Fingers were crossed and thumbs held for the weather for the 2017 installment of the Zuoz Festival of Junior Cricket. Teams from Basel, Gingins, Cossonay and Zurich made their way to the Engadin to compete for the trophy. The format was 8-a-side 16 overs (outdoors) round robin.

## Match 1: Cossonay

ZCCC U11 111-6 (Owen 17, Sasha 16\*; Matthew 3-23, Medansh 1-16) bt Cossonay 63 all out (Matthew 5, Medansh 3; Sasha 3-7, Shankar 2-2) by 48 runs



Saturday started with sunny conditions for the first match against Cossonay. Thomas G (Cossonay) won the toss and elected to field. **Sasha** and **Owen** came out to open, and quickly showed their aggressive running. Sasha worked the ball away for quick singles and twos, while Owen managed a couple of boundaries, including a fantastic off drive and retired. This brought new joiner to the team, **Hayden**, to the crease. He managed a few runs in his first match of competitive cricket for a few years before ending up run out. **Shankar** struggled to get the ball away and ended up bowled by Medansh. **Danyal** worked the singles and ran hard to make 9 before being bowled by Matthew. **Austin** struggled against Ryan's leg breaks and could only top edge the ball behind. **Andreas** (as a left-hander) swept the ball away for a single but chipped **Matthew** to Thomas G for 3. This brought Owen back out who managed two more before looking to go big and chipped Matthew to Ryan. **Fynn** ended the innings not out on 1 and Zurich finished on 111-6.

Owen struggled to find his line in his first over, but didn't give away a run off the bat. Sasha struck with his 4th ball bowling Tom H, and then had Ryan caught and bowled. Owen sorted his line and made Thomas G work before hitting him in the box. The next ball Thomas G backed away and ended up bowled. Sasha also struck in his second, bowling Aiden. Matthew and Medansh consolidated before Hayden bowled Matthew. Austin and Andreas bowled leg- and off-spin accurately and Cossonay struggled to get runs. With Hayden taking the gloves, Shankar came on and struck second ball having the dangerous Thomas A (on loan from Gingins) caught and bowled. He finished off the Cossonay reply by having Medansh caught by Owen.

## Match 2: Gingins

ZCCC U11 101-6 (Sasha 19\*, Hayden 15\*; Katie 1-15) bt Gingins U11 97-6 (Thomas A 17\*, Mushar 12; Shankar 2-22, Danyal 1-17) by 4 runs.



The Sunday morning brought the predicted rain, and so a move indoors for one match for each side. For Zurich that meant facing Gingins in a small hall for a 12 over match. Again Zurich batted first, and Sasha and Owen again got things underway quickly. Owen then edged a ball from left-armer Katie for a fantastic catch by Thomas A with limited room behind the stumps. Then followed a top/middle order collapse with Shankar, Danyal and Andreas all run out by direct hits

from Rory. Sasha quickly retired, and Hayden also went on to do so. Austin hit a quick 9 before being caught, and Alex was run out looking for runs. Sasha came back in with Fynn for the last ball and could only manage 3. Zurich finished on 101-6.

Knowing they had finished 15-20 runs short, Zurich had to bowl and field well. Owen started well with fast and accurate bowling, supported in the field. Mushaar survived ball after ball, including a well dug out yorker. Owen was supported behind the stumps by Hayden, who stopped all but one bye. Danyal wasn't his accurate best, but bowled Leo in his second over. Shankar had Katie caught with his first ball by Fynn with a fantastic instinctive catch, after the ball bounced off the wall. Gingins looked to be out of the game, but Thomas A and Mushaar started to up the rate, before Shankar bowled Mushaar. Thomas and Bron then ran well, and put the pressure back on Zurich, with Bron hitting two 4s before ending up run out. Thomas A retired, before a few of run outs brought him back (including a direct hit from Austin) and a suddenly gettable 23 off the last over. Shankar bowled it and Zurich kept their heads. It was expensive but not expensive enough and Gingins finished on 97-6.

## Match 3: Basel Dragons

ZCCC U11 103-0 (Sasha 16\*, Owen 16\*, Danyal 15\*; Quirjn 0-8, Matthjs 0-8) bt BDJCC U11 72-3 (Greg 10, Charlie 10; Shankar 1-4, Danyal 1-13) by 31 runs

The last match was spread over two days with the first innings played on the Saturday evening while the weather was dry, and was completed on the Sunday afternoon. Zurich batted first with cloudy skies and a stiff breeze blowing into the bowlers.

Sasha and Owen opened, and faced some prodigious swing from Charlie. As usual they pounced on any opportunity to run a bye or on a wide. Sasha made his runs through singles and twos, and Owen added a boundary. Both retired, which brought Danyal and Alexander to the crease. They batted the next 10 overs, with Danyal not in his fluent best, but grinding

out the runs. Alexander supported him well to finish with his top score of 6\*. Danyal retired just before the end of the innings, and Shankar added 2 with Zurich finishing on 103-0.



The following afternoon saw the match recommenced, with better weather. Owen started well, with a maiden to open his account. Danyal also bowled well and took a return catch off Mattijs. Sasha was under instructions to bowl short of a length to Charlie, and managed to do so before bowling fuller and went for two 2s. The brothers stayed in, but found run scoring difficult before George pulled a ball from Austin to Sasha for a wicket maiden. Shankar followed suit bowling

Charlie. A change of keepers had Fynn behind the stumps, who did very well keeping to the slower bowlers and Owen coming back on. Greg and Quirjn batted out the rest of the overs, unable to get near to the required rate with the accurate bowling and fielding. Basel finished on 72-3.

## Conclusions



The winning Zurich team. L-R, back: Shankar, Sasha, Danyal, Owen, Hayden;  
front: Fynn, Andreas, Alexander, Austin

The Zurich side continued with their unbeaten form all season to win the last trophy of the year with another fantastic performance (taking the “grand slam”). Even when things got tight

against Gingins, they held their nerve. The batting was set up by Owen and Sasha who combined well with hard running. Owen showed his strength and class with some creamed drives. Danyal and Hayden both contributed and retired once, and Alexander had his day with the bat too. Sasha managed to convert his indoor form, and made an all-run 50 without being dismissed and was awarded the batsman of the tournament.

The bowling made it difficult for the opposition to get close to the totals posted. Owen was quick and when on target very troubling. Andreas, Austin and Alexander showed how difficult accurate slow bowling can be to play. Shankar however stole the show, being incredibly accurate, getting some nice shape and taking 5 wickets. He was awarded the bowler of the tournament.

In the field, the team was sharp, turning twos into singles and singles into dots. Hayden and Fynn did great jobs keeping, including a very tough spell indoors standing up to the stumps. Fynn also took a fantastic catch off the wall to dismiss Katie. Owen, Danyal, Shankar and Sasha all ensured important catches and run outs were made to put pressure on the batting side. For his three runouts, Rory from Gingins was awarded the fielder of the tournament.

Results:

Position	Team
1	Zurich Crickets
2	Cossonay
3	Basel Dragons
4	Gingins

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Michael  
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## Statistics

Names with a \* include performances for the All Stars team.

### Bowling

Bowler	Economy	Average	Strike Rate	Extras per Over	Analysis
Alexander	8.00	-	-	4.00	2-0-16-0
Andreas	6.25	-	-	3.50	4-0-25-0
Austin	2.00	6.00	18.00	1.33	3-1-6-1
Danyal	6.50	19.50	18.00	5.00	6-0-39-2
Fynn	7.00	-	-	6.00	1-0-7-0
Hayden	4.67	14.00	18.00	3.00	3-0-14-1
Owen	3.75	30.00	48.00	2.75	8-1-30-1
Sasha	4.71	11.00	14.0	1.43	7-1-33-3
Shankar	4.20	5.60	8.00	0.60	6.4-3-28-5

Economy: runs conceded per over

Average: runs conceded per wicket

Strike rate: balls bowled per wicket

Extras per Over: number of wides or no balls conceded per over

Analysis: Overs-Maidens-Runs conceded-Wickets

### Batting

Strike rate only for matches against Cossonay and Basel.

Batter	Average	Runs	Strike Rate
Alexander	6	6	40
Andreas	3.5	7	75
Austin	4.5	9	
Danyal	12.0	24	50
Fynn	-	1	100
Hayden	20.0	20	26
Owen	39.0	39	138
Sasha	-	50	86
Shankar	5.5	11	77

Average: runs scored per times dismissed

Runs: runs scored

Strike rate: scoring rate, where 100 is one run per ball faced