

It was another T20 we faced on Thursday 15th of February this time against the renowned Western Province at the picturesque Newlands Oval. The game started off well with promising overs from both Anna Squire and Katie Donovan. It was Donovan who claimed the first and well needed wicket of Lara Goodall, as we struggled to see the end of what seemed like continuous running and boundaries. Goodall was bowled.

The first change over came in the sixth over and most was uneventful until another change over occurred bringing on Chloe Rose, a medium right arm over bowler. Her wicket was gracefully and caught by Anna Squire at square mid-wicket. Similar to the opening of the innings a few overs went by with little action until Sophie Florides' third over ended on a wicket completed in style and caught by Maddie Holifield at backward point. Florides' wicket concluded the fall of bails on Western Provinces behalf as Donovan came back on to end the innings. The teams outstanding fielding efforts left Western Province on what seemed like a chaseable score of 110-3.

After a quick turnaround Rebecca Halliday and Daisy Meadowcroft were into bat. To begin with, the target of 110 seemed chaseable with consistent singles and quick running between the wickets. However, 48-1 after 11.5 overs may beg to differ. With Olivia Churcher coming in for Meadowcroft, after the loss of her wicket, the run rate stayed consistent. 6 overs went by with little action, just consistent singles from both batsman. Rose Ball was next in as Churcher was caught out by Vezi off Swanepoel's bowling. Balls entrance was attacking and standoffish giving us confidence to continue. Although perhaps it was Balls aggressiveness towards the ball that caused her exit. Rose Ball left the pitch with a 100 percent strike rate after being bowled by Talo Ross.

After Ball left the square Emma Seward replaced her only to unfortunately receive a Golden Duck. The last batsman in was Skipper Hutchins as she faced a single ball before both her and Halliday, the only remaining batsman, left the pitch on 86-3.

Although we weren't able to match Western provinces 110-3 we certainly gave them a run for their money as we left the pitch we lowered heads. Throughout the entire fielding innings Devon Girls most definitely gave the locals something to think about as performances in the field from Meadowcroft, Seward, Florides and Halliday ensured a low score under 120.

Unfortunately this wasn't the outcome we were hoping for, especially off the back of a performance like the one against Bishops college but hopefully we will be able to prove our abilities in the next one day game when we play them on the upcoming Sunday.