

COLORADO CRICKET LEAGUE

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Undefeated Littleton Cricket Club are Division 1 Champions

Denver Cricket Club are Division 2 Champions

Defending champions Littleton Cricket Club completed an undefeated T20 season with a scintillating performance against Fort Collins Cricket Club. FCCC put up a decent score of 167 with all the top order batsmen reaching double figures. Darshan (46 off 24) and Sagar (42 off 35) were the leading scorers.

But no target is too stiff for the Lions. Their openers Dhiren (43 off 26) and Dharam (49 off 38) came out with all guns blazing and by the break they were way ahead of the required run rate. Bodha then put the finishing touches with his now familiar strike rate of 300 scoring 39 off 13 deliveries to finish the match in the 17th over.

Manoj Acharya was the Man of the Match for his miserly spell of 1 for 16 in 4 overs.

In the second division finals Denver Cricket Club came back from losing the first qualifier to win back to back games over the weekend, first the second qualifier against LCC Tigers and then the finals against Boulder Cricket Club.

The opening bowlers Jaswinder and Kanay took three wickets each to tighten the screws on the BCC batsmen, keeping them down to 129. Narender (35 off 36) and Om (36 off 16) were the main scorers. In reply the DCC openers Manjinder (55 off 44) and Harpreet (57 off 57) had a century partnership to take the fight out of the opponents. DCC finished the chase in the 18th over for the loss of just one wicket. Harpreet was man of the match.

On Saturday FCCC had crushed CCB while DCC had overcome LCC Tigers to make the finals via the second qualifier.

CCB could only put up 89 runs thanks to a low order 31 off 17 by Shree. FCCC completed the

formalities in the 16th over. Venkatesh was top scorer with 39 off 21.

DCC batted first and put up 149. Manjinder (34 off 37) and Sameer (33 off 23) were the leading scorers. The Tigers folded for 101 with Imran being the highest scorer (27 off 15).

In the Division 1 plate finals, RCC defeated highly regarded FRCC Spartans by 9 runs. Vikesh scored his second T20 hundred when it was most needed to put RCC in the driver's seat with a daunting target of 184. When Rajdeep had Sumeet caught by Srikant, the battle was half won. Sanket fought valiantly with 57 off 38 and Afshin (24 off 15) and Sridhar (23 off 10) caused some flutters but could not quite get to the finish. Rajdeep had figures of 4 for 9 off his 4 overs.

In the Division 2 plate finals LCC Panthers rolled over Mile High Cricket club. Panthers scored 207, with Eugene leading from the front with his maiden century (102 off 57). Raj provided valuable support with 68 off 46. In reply MCC could muster only 142. Sanket was their main scorer with 60 off 46.

In the Division 1 game for the 7th position CCCC Gold easily chased DDCC's formidable target of 174 in just 15.2 overs. Swaroop (49 off 16) and Surender (32 off 20) had displayed some power hitting for DDCC but Srinivasan (54 off 35) and Anil (51 off 22) outdid them to take Gold to victory with Sandeep not even getting a bat.

In the Division 2 game for the 7th position YCC beat CCCC Green by 6 wickets. Green scored 123. Mehul (34 off 35) and Rajesh (23 off 21) were the main scorers. YCC reached the target in the 18th over. Bharath was the scorer-in-chief with 42 off 38.

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Youth Cricket Camps in Springs, Denver and Longmont



For the first time in the history of Colorado Cricket, youth cricket camps were conducted simultaneously in Colorado Springs, Denver and Longmont.

Players from CSCC, LCC and CCCC, the three leading clubs in CCL took the initiative under the guidance of Zubin Surkari, the ICC Development officer and a member of LCC. Zubin provided the three regions with age appropriate equipment from the ICC. He also provided the curriculum which was used to conduct the eight week long camp. Several kids from ages 6–13 took part in the camp. The kids were given custom Jerseys with their names and numbers. The program was an introduction to cricket. The participants were taught the basics of batting, bowling and fielding.

The parents were very appreciative of the efforts put in by the clubs and they hope to come back for future programs.

The kids from the Longmont region even played a friendly match against the Cricket Academy team.

Vinod Murthy has started the youth cricket academy in Denver and we hope to partner with him to build a solid youth cricket program in Colorado.

With skilled players such as Jay and Nayab stepping in to train the kids, we feel the future is bright for the youth of Colorado.

We request all the clubs to support this initiative and give back to the game we all love.

Howzzat Answers

1. **A** — When the ball is dead you signal leg byes.
2. **C** — When the first run is completed you signal dead ball and disallow the runs. No penalty runs are awarded.
3. **A** — To field in a close catching position.
4. **B** — 12 minutes.
5. **C** — When umpire calls play for the resumption of the match.
6. **B** — Practicing on the match pitch.
7. **C** — Bowling and catching practice on the outfield.



Featured Club

Littleton Cricket Club

Littleton Cricket Club was founded in 1994-95 by Dan Ruparel and a merry band of cricket-crazed chaps who sketched out their plans for a new club on bar napkins. The club soon found its home at picturesque Cornerstone Park in Littleton and rapidly grew, despite the onerous task of having to manually roll the turf wicket before games. At various points, LCC initiated youth programs at local schools, ran an indoor cricket league in the winter months, and had multiple teams: LCC Red and LCC Blue. Some of LCC's early stars included Kit Dias and Nayab Khan, who are still astounding the league with their class performances despite the heavy mileage and perhaps slower reflexes. But, the club also took care to nurture young guns such as Dharam Patel, who joined at the tender age of 13 and continued to blossom into the force he is today. LCC were league KO champions in 1999 and 2001 (the KO format preceded today's playoff setup) and continued to be competitive for many years before hitting somewhat of a lean patch. The club's fortunes revived around 2012 with the happy fortune of an influx of tremendous stars such as Jay Pathak, Dhiren Patel, and Bodhayan Chakraborty. Since then, LCC has had the fortune of a stable core of players and consistent performances, leading to a steady stream of championships in both the 40 over and T20 formats. Still, LCC took the brave step

of adding a second team (Tigers) in 2015, with the idea of growing the club and also providing a home for more casual players and retirees. In 2019, LCC was able to add a third team as well (Panthers), and has overall benefited from the increase in talent to the club. Nevertheless, this growth has not been without some pains along the way. This year, thanks to the energies of folks like the President, Karthik Bhaskarabhatta (coach) and Zubin Surkari (Mr. ICC), LCC has helped initiate a youth program and is drawing ever more kids into this glorious sport. The club's success, however, owes much to the stalwart support of our most enthusiastic friends, David and Marilyn Whitcombe. D&M, as we fondly referred to them, started following cricket in the early 2000s on their overseas travels. They quickly connected with LCC and steadfastly came to our games, both home and away, cheering, commiserating, encouraging, but always wholeheartedly. David sadly passed away this year, but his memory lives on and Marilyn has continued to trek here from New Mexico as her schedule allows. The club owes much to D&M!

Through it all, LCC has consistently striven to be a responsible and active member at the league governance level and looks forward to many more years of productive citizenship in CCL.

Go Cricket!!!



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Did you know? (Interesting facts)

- ◇ The first ever cricket match was played between the USA and Canada in September 1844 at St George's Club Ground.
- ◇ Cricket was played in 1896 and 1900 in the Olympics.
- ◇ Virender Sehwag is the only batsman who got an 80+ strike rate after playing 100 or more tests.
- ◇ Viv Richards played both cricket and football world cups.
- ◇ Wilfred Rhodes took 4000+ wickets in first class cricket.

Howzaat? Laws 23, 24 & 25 (Byes & Leg Byes/Fielders' Absence; Substitutes/Batsman's innings; Runners) (Answers on Page 2)

1. A fair delivery is bowled and the batsman attempts to play at it but misses—it hits him on the leg and runs into the outfield. The batsmen complete one run. What do you do?
 - A. When the ball is dead you signal leg byes
 - B. When the ball is dead you signal byes
 - C. When the first run is completed you signal dead ball and disallow the runs.
2. A fair delivery is bowled and the batsman makes no attempt to play at it. It hits him on the leg and runs past the keeper and hits the helmet. The batsmen complete one run. What do you do?
 - A. When the ball is dead you signal leg byes
 - B. When the ball is dead you signal 5 runs penalty byes
 - C. When the first run is completed you signal dead ball and disallow the runs. No penalty runs are awarded.
3. A fielding substitute is allowed
 - A. To field in a close catching position.
 - B. To act as captain of the fielding team.
 - C. To bowl.
4. A fielder leaves the field of play with a muscle injury and is off the field for 12 minutes of playing time. After he returns, after how long can he bowl?
 - A. Immediately.
 - B. 12 minutes.
 - C. 90 minutes.
5. A wicket falls just before the drinks break, which is taken immediately. When does the inning of the new batsman commence?
 - A. As soon as he steps on to the field of play
 - B. When he is ready to receive his first delivery.
 - C. When umpire calls play for the resumption of the match.
6. Which of the following actions on the field is never allowed
 - A. The bowler having a trial run-up.
 - B. Practicing on the match pitch.
 - C. Bowling practice on the square.
7. Before the start of play on the day of the match, in which of the following forms of practice can the players partake?
 - A. Practice bowling on the match pitch.
 - B. Practice bowling on the rest of the square without the umpire's approval.
 - C. Bowling and catching practice on the outfield.