

# Gingins Indoors U11 Cricket Tournament

5 & 6 March 2016

Five teams travelled to Geneva for the second major tournament of the season at the Madame-de-Staël school. Each team would play each other once over 15 overs, with the trophy going to the team with the most points.



## Match 1: GRYCC

Due to traffic accidents and the Geneva Motor Show, Zurich had to start the tournament by borrowing players with three players stuck in traffic, necessitating a reshuffling of the bowling order as well as **Andreas** taking the gloves. Choosing to field, **Sasha** got things underway well by catching Adarsh first ball off his own bowling. GRYCC didn't seem too perturbed however and kept the run rate high. **Ryan** bowled George for 10, but after that wickets were hard to find, with Aarit (23), Finlay (23) and Kabir (21, Cossonay) all retiring. **Fynn** ran out Alistair cheaply, and **Fred** (Luxembourg) added a run out to his economical bowling against some big hitting. In the 15 overs GRYCC got to a very strong 171-4.

The GRYCC coach graciously allowed Zurich to replace the loaned players to take on the daunting total. **Vadim** opened, and he struggled to get bat on ball, managing 2 before being bowled by Kabir. Sasha worked the ball around for threes and made 17 before holing out off George. **Matty** (15) and Andreas (3) combined well before **Sankar** came in. He got going

quickly, hitting three fours and finishing on 22 not out, supported by Ryan who made 5. Zurich finished their 15 overs on 60-4.

Result: Lose by 111 runs.

### Match 2: Basel Dragons

Undeterred after the heavy defeat, Zurich felt confident against their "local" rivals, Basel. **Vadim** won the toss and elected to field. **Paolo** looked like he hadn't been away, with accurate left-arm pace bowling. He had Euan caught cheaply in his first over. Sasha followed suit in his second over trapping Finlay LBW. Paolo wasn't finished and bowled the dangerous Ali. Sasha did the same with Greg in his third over, and then Andreas bowled Kritik with his right-arm off spin. A quick wicket keeper change brought Vadim on, who bowled very economically and got Lewis caught behind with his leg spin. This brought Ross back from retirement, and trying to force the pace ended up caught behind off Ryan. Basel finished on 81 all out after 9.4 overs.

Zurich's reply didn't get off to the best start, with Vadim hesitating mid run and ended up run out on the first ball. Sasha and Paolo however calmly worked the ball around, with Sasha retiring on 23, and Paolo making 20. Sankar came in for Sasha and showed his now trademark hitting to make a quickfire 13 not out. Zurich polished off the runs in 9 overs.

Result: Win by 6 wickets.

### Match 3: Luxembourg

The next day brought back to back matches, the first of which against Luxembourg. Zürich needed to win this to have a chance of winning the tournament. Luxembourg won the toss and elected to put Zurich in. Vadim and Sasha started brightly, rattling along at 11 an over until both retired. Paolo and Shankar struggled to get the ball away and after a mix up both ended up at the same end, with Paolo ultimately having to go. Andreas and Fynn stuck around well, but under instructions to get runs or get the retired openers back in, Andreas ended up caught with one run. Fynn was unbeaten on two. Raiyan also made two with his first tournament innings. Sadly, neither Vadim or Sasha were able to add many runs, both getting caught trying to force the pace. Zurich finished on 100 all out.

Zurich started their bowling economically but unable to take many wickets. Paolo took the first, hitting the top of off beautifully to take Sasha. Fred and Rahul batted well and both retired before Vadim got the next, with Lydie edging the ball to the keeper. The run rate crept up as the less experienced bowlers came in, and aside from Shankar taking the third wicket of Malvine, there wasn't much for Zurich to cheer as Luxembourg knocked off the runs at the end of the 13th over for the loss of only 3 wickets.

Result: Lose by 5 wickets.

## Match 4: Gingins

Zurich losing to Luxembourg meant that Gingins had won the tournament, without having dropped a game so far. They also won the toss, and elected to field. Vadim started well, but struggled against the quick bowling of Malik and only made four before being caught. Sasha resisted well and then scored quickly and again retired. Paolo found runs from the bat difficult at first, but good running kept the scoreboard ticking over with byes. He managed 13 before another run out. Shankar recovered some of his form hitting a few fours and making 13 before falling to Malik. Ryan fell quickly, and Andreas made three before having his stumped knocked over by a fast ball from Kabir. Sasha paired with Fynn at the end and managed to only add a five runs to finish on 26. Zurich finished on 110-5.

In reply, Kabir kicked things off explosively, taking 16 from Sasha's first over - including one six! Paolo managed to pull things back with an economic over to Gianni. Sasha changed his line to come around the wicket and managed to keep Kabir a little more under control. The next over from Paolo brought wickets with Thomas getting caught and then Musshar getting run out. Sasha and Vadim switched gloves, and it immediately paid off with Sasha taking two stumpings (Harry and Malik) off Vadim's bowling, the second of which making a wicket maiden for the leg spinner. This brought Kabir back in. Ryan's over saw the loss of another wicket, as Bron knocked the bails off trying to pull the ball. This brought Gianni back in, and for the next three overs he and Kabir played carefully, to get the runs but not lose the final wicket. They knocked off the runs in the 12th over.

Result: Lose by 1 wicket.

On the basis of the results alone, Zurich could feel disappointed. However, the two games on Sunday were very competitive and could easily have gone the other way. The team included some new players (for two, this was their first tournament) and the whole team showed massive improvement over the two days. The whole team had great spirit and all contributed. The tournament All-rounder award again went to Sasha, for his 88 runs at an average of 44.0, 3 wickets and energy in the field and behind the stumps (including two stumpings). Vadim took the best fielder award for his stints keeping to the quicker bowlers. He was also Zurich's best bowler by far with 4 wickets and an amazing average of 7.5. The best batter award went to Kabir of Cossonay and the best bowler to Gianni of Gingins.

Congratulations to Gingins for playing fantastically well and not dropping a game. Luxembourg came second, only having lost to Gingins. Zurich came third (due to a better run rate) with Basel and GRYCC rounding out the table, all having won one game.

Huge thanks to Arnold and Gingins/Cossonay for putting on a great tournament and making us all so welcome and feeding everyone so well. Also to all the teams for some great, competitive cricket and to the players. Finally thanks to Khawer for umpiring, Shafi for organising the team and Juliet and Anna for scoring.

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## Statistics

### Bowling

<b>Bowler</b>	<b>Economy</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Strike Rate</b>	<b>Extras per Over</b>	<b>Analysis</b>
Andreas	10.20	51.0	30.0	2.80	5-0-51-1
Fynn	11.33	-	-	1.33	3-0-34-0
Paolo	8.14	14.2	10.5	3.43	7-0-57-4
Raiyan	9.00	-	-	6.00	1-0-9-0
Ryan	9.71	18.3	11.3	3.18	5.4-0-55-3
Sasha	9.25	37.0	24.0	0.67	12-0-111-3
Shankar	8.25	33.0	24.0	1.00	4-0-33-1
Vadim	4.29	7.5	10.5	1.57	7-1-30-4

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

<b>Batter</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Strike Rate</b>
Andreas	2.3	7	21
Fynn	-	2	18
Matty	11.0	11	65
Paolo	16.5	33	73
Raiyan	2.0	2	67
Ryan	2.5	5	42
Sasha	44.0	88	149
Shankar	24.0	48	63
Vadim	8.0	32	91

Average: runs scored per times dismissed

Runs: runs scored

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