

West Indian Softball Association (WISA) Week 6 – Round Up United ‘wallop’ Young Guns – 508 runs!

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In what may be a record for runs scored in a 25 Over game in any form of organized competition, United and Young Guns combined to score 508 runs. That feat was achieved in one of the quarter finals of WISA's *Division I* playoff last Sunday at Indian Field in the Bronx.

United batted first and were off to a flying start, with Amar Singh and S. Deodat stroking the ball effortlessly around a quick outfield. At the end of the eight over, United were 102 without loss.

Amar was the aggressor and it was evident when he was caught off bowling of R. Mulla's fifth delivery. That dismissal happened on the penultimate delivery of the break. Amar made an aggressive 92 from the score of 147.

Anand Singh joined Deodat and the fireworks really 'lit up'. While at the wicket, Anand saw the wickets of Deodat fell for 47 and A. Mangar for 11 before he was caught off the bowling of P. Gobinraj for a swashbuckling 80. He struck eight sixes and five fours.

United was well place at 272 for 4 in the 22nd over when he tried to hit what would have been the fifth consecutive six off two bowlers combined.

At the end of the twenty fifth over, United had amassed a mammoth 304 for 7. Six of Young Guns' seven bowlers took one wicket apiece.

Young Guns started their reply disastrously, losing the wicket of P. Gobinraj for 5 off the bowling of Troy Singh. The score was 1 for 9 after four overs.

R. Mulla joined G. Khadar and the two repaired the damage somewhat by adding 66 for the second wicket in eight overs before Mulla was out for 36. Khadar soon followed for 36 with the score on 97 for 3. They were 99 for three at the break.

Needing to score quickly, and not lose wickets after the break to have a remote chance of winning the game, Young Guns did the opposite and would loose their next six wickets for twenty seven runs. This one was all over as far as United was concerned.

But, wait, Rishi and W. Newland had other ideas – the two frustrated United's attack with a last wicket partnership of 74 in seven overs. Rishi made an entertaining 42 with seven fours and a six while Newland, who batted at number 11, made 31 not out with six fours.

Young Guns managed to get to 204 all out in 24.5 overs. A valiant effort, but they still lost the game by a whopping 100 runs. A. Ali was United's chief wrecker with figures of four wickets for seven runs in five overs. Troy Singh and A. Singh supported him with two wickets apiece.

In the other quarter final games; Richmond Hill SC beat Canjie, Patriots beat Crushers and Scramblers beat Untouchable.

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Richmond Hill SC vs. Patriots at Tudor Park (80th Street & N. Conduit)
United vs. Scramblers

Dynasty ‘sailed’ around Ocean XI

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Dynasty beat Ocean XI by eight wickets at Charles Drew Park to advance to the semi finals of WISA’s **Premier Elite** playoff. After winning the toss, Dynasty put Ocean XI in to bat. They made 165 for 7 off their allotted 25 overs. Ocean XI’s captain, L. Mohan (Junior) was the main contributor with 47. He was supported by Nick Ramsingh with 26 and C. Warren 23.

Dynasty replied with 170 for 2 off 21.4 overs. Vicky Subkarran was unbeaten on 89 while the “patient inefficient” Prasana Malipaul made 53. There was nothing inefficient about Malipaul’s contribution this week

Rebels ‘captures’ Majestics’ ‘magic’

In the other **Premier Elite** quarter final game which was also played at Charles Drew Park, Rebels got its revenge against Majestics for last week’s defeat. In the regular season finale last week, I said that “Majestics showed some magic against Rebels by beating them to maintain some respectability”.

This week, Rebels’ rebellion was good enough to negate Majestics’ magic. The difference, Rebels moves on to the semi finals while Majestics ponders its future for a few weeks.

Rebels won the toss and asked Majestics to bat first. Majestics made 145 for 7 off their allotted 25 overs. Devin Kishun top scored with 25 while Gansham Persaud and Haseeb Ali made 19 each.

Mike Balkarran was Rebels’ most successful bowler with 3 for 23. Raj Mathura, Mark Bobb and S. Balkarran all chipped in with one wicket a piece.

Rebels replied with 147 for 9 off 23.5 overs. S. Balkarran was the main run scorer with 36 while Narine Algu contributed 32. Gansham Persaud and Shashi Wilfred each took two wickets for twenty six runs.

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Wild Bunch, Warriors, Dynasty & Rebels will do battle. Fixtures for these games were not available at press time.