

2009 Secondary Schools U-15 Boys Cricket Championship

Report on Semi Finals and Final

The semi finals of the competition saw the Portsmouth Secondary School (PSS) hosting the St. Mary's Academy at Portsmouth on May 8th, while the Castle Bruce Secondary School and the Dominica Grammar School met at the Botanic Gardens, also on the same day.

At the Gardens, the CBSS batted first after they lost the toss and made an impressive *201 for 3 declared*. Windward Islands U-15 player CHAD PHILLIP made 93 and diminutive National U-15 player GEAN BENJAMIN was 67 not out at the declaration. In reply, the players of the Dominica Grammar School were bowled out for 70. Only SYRIAN TOUSSAINT with 24 made any meaningful contribution. DEVON GEORGE with 5 for 17 was the main wicket taker for CBSS.

At Portsmouth, SMA batted first and after having a good start with the openers DYLAN JOSEPH - 26 and ALJAI LIVERPOOL - 21 putting on 50 for the first wicket, they



collapsed and were bowled out for 82. BRIEL THOMAS, the Windward Islands U-15 player was the best Portsmouth bowler with 4 for 6. PSS lost six (6) wickets in seeking the runs. They were 83 for 6. KIMRAN GEORGE who opened the batting was 37 not out. DYLAN JOSEPH took 4 for 33 for SMA.

The Final match was played at Portsmouth on 14th May and it was heartening to see the Castle Bruce Secondary School traveling to Portsmouth with four bus loads of children to give their team support.



The Portsmouth Secondary School won the toss and inserted the Castle Bruce Secondary School who were restricted to 87. BRIEL THOMAS 3/19, KIMRAN GEORGE 3/18 and TRAVIS DANIEL 3/10 were the main

wicket takers for PSS. PSS only made 63 in reply. Once again, KIMRAN GEORGE opening the batting, batted very well to top score with 34. CHAD PHILLIP 4 for 15 and KYLE CABEY 5/28 did the damage for CBSS.

Batting a second time, CBSS were 41 for 4 when the match was called off.



Castle Bruce Secondary School was duly declared as the winners of the 2009 Secondary Schools U-15 Championship.