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It was bat over ball again on Day 3

he second round of two-day games at the St David's Marist Inanda Fasken Time Cricket Festival got going on Saturday, and it was more of the same – domination of bat over ball.

There were three hundreds and 14 fifties scored on the day, and four four-wicket hauls.

St David's captain, Jason
Rowles, continues to impress.
He got his second century of
the week on Saturday – 100 vs
the Lions Invitation side – to go
with his 116 not out in the 1st innings
against Waterkloof on Thursday, and
56 not out in the second.

The other hundreds were by Wian du Plessis of Waterkloof, who was 102 not out at the end of play against Jeppe; and Tiago Dias who was 101 not out for KES against Clifton.

The KES captain declared on 205/3 – just seven runs ahead against Clifton, and his bowlers had taken two wickets by the end of the day's play, making a result in this game likely.



Noordheuwel went one better. They declared on 187/6 – three runs behind Nelspruit and are clearly backing their batsmen for the win.

Ombesa Matsha of St Stithians got his second big score of the week, 79 against St Andrew's, to go with the 80 he made against the Lions in his first game. He was one of three players to be given a second Purple Cap by his opponents on the day. The others were Jason Rowles and Alec Loveland.

Clifton's mystery spinner, Shiraz

Perumal, never took a wicket in the first innings against KES, but he still leads the wickettakers with 12, thanks to the two six-wicket hauls in the first game.

Summarised Scores

St David's 1st inns 302/9 (Jason Rowles 100, Jonah Gruskin 35, Hayden Campbell 50; Tebogo Lebuya 3/50).

Lions XI 1st inns 125/7 (Matthew Barbour 51; Morteza Maneck 4/51).

St Charles 1st inns 242/8 (Andre Bosman 49, Daksesh Rajah 34, Caleb Sharp 76, Ryan Clarke 58; David Ireland 3/37, Alec Loveland 3/79).

St John's 1st inns 178/7 (Michael Stubbs 29, Alec Loveland 36, Aiden Barberini 29; Keegan Vermaak 3/37).

St Stithians 1st inns 243 (Ombesa Matsha 79, Nicholas Bayly 26; FG Botha 4/28).

St Andrew's 1st inns 229/5 (Andrew Sobiech 34, Jonathan Hinckley 91, Grove du Preez 66 not out). Jeppe 1st inns 296/8 (Aiden Reyneke 34, Vegas Scott 51, Zizi Mkhize 31, Ryan Young 32, Lincoln Casias 54, Ethan Elliot 56; Rivan Booysen 4/67).

Waterkloof 1st inns 211/3 (AJ De Villiers 29, Wian du Plessis 102 not out, Franco Schmidt 46). Clifton 198/8 (Muhammed Malek 53, Hayden

Drieselman 50; Steele Grooteman 4/58). KES 1st inns 205/3 (Tiago Dias 101 not out, Troy Gordon 64).

Clifton 2nd inns 17/2.

Nelspruit 1st inns 190 (Luan Siebrits 54; Dihan Grove 4/60).

Noordheuwel 1st inns187/6 (Dian Taljaard 40). Nelspruit 2nd inns 4/1.

100 up for young Ryan

Jeppe captain Ryan Young beame the second player to celebrate a 100th cap for his first team at this St David's Marist Inanda Fasken Time Cricket Festival when he reached the milestone in the Jeppe vs Hoërskool Waterkloof game on Saturday.

Ryan made his debut at the Fasken festival four years ago

when, as a Grade 8 boy, he was called up as an emergency replacement when the 1st team wicketkeeper broke a finger.

"It's great that I got to 100 matches back here," he said. "It's my fourth Fasken Festival. I'm still in Grade 11, so I'll be back again next year, hopefully."



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Day three Purple Cap recipients



Jason Rowles, St David's (100 runs vs Lions XI). Tebogo Lebuya, Lions XI (3/50 vs St David's).



Tiago Dias, KES (101 not out vs Clifton). Aiden Drieselman, Clifton (50 runs vs KES).



Lincoln Casais, Jeppe (54 runs vs Waterkloof). Wian du Plessis, Waterkloof (102 not out vs Jeppe).



Dihan Grove, Noordheuwel (4/60 vs Nelspruit). Luan Siebrits, Nelspruit (54 runs vs Noordheuwel).



Johathan Hickley, St Andrew's (91 runs vs St Stithians). Ombesa Matsha, St Stithians (79 vs St Andrew's).





Alec Loveland, St John's (3/79 and 36 runs vs St Charles). Rowen Rajah, St Charles (34 vs St John's).