

Wednesday 12th August Crabtree vs SFDWP

Last night was a reminder that cricket is about far more than runs, wickets and results.

Against the norm the Saddoes elected to bat first and set Crabtree a target of 112, a little shy of our standard 120. Uva and Roffers opened the batting and built a solid opening partnership before Adam Batty headed out to bat at 3.

In true Adam style, he spent most of the innings taking his time, intent on batting with everyone and using the full allotted overs. A beautifully crafted 19 off 50 / 60 deliveries kept the cobwebs just about off the scoreboard.

Then followed a quick team photo Infront of the eclipse, which suitably framed a fine team of Saddoes ready to take the field as one.

Adam was a true gent and a beautiful example of what makes the SFDWP's special. Even when the standard of cricket around him was, at times, questionable, he always took to the field with a huge smile on his face. Adam was the first to run in and congratulate the wicket taker and you could always hear his constant words of encouragement to all of his teammates. He truly encapsulated what it means to be a part of the SFDWP: let's give it a go, have a laugh and head to the pub for a post-match sausage, chips and a pint.

Adam mentioned on tour his Saddoes ambition was to surpass 100 career runs, it certainly brought a tear to my eye to see Frazer share:

With his score of 19 vs Crabtree on the 12.08.2026, Adam Batty finished his SFDWP's career with 104 runs.

You did it mate, well played.



The light clearly shone in and around him

Adam Batty

Forever a Saddoe.

RIP

