**Rules:**

1. **Aim**

**1.1 - The enjoyment for, and fair play by, all players.**

1. **Pitch**

**2.1 - Two sets of wickets, 17 yards apart.
2.2 - Boundaries - maximum of 35 metres apart but can be reduced to accommodate more matches.**

1. **Teams**

**3.1 - Each team comprises of 6 players. The wicket keeper can change during the game.**

1. **The Start**

**4.1 - The two teams toss a coin to decide which team has the choice of either batting or fielding first.**

1. **The Game**

**5.1 - Throughout the Festival each game shall consist of one innings per team, each innings to be 9 overs long.**

1. **Batting & Scoring**

**6.1 - The batting side shall be divided into pairs, each pair batting for 3 overs each. Batters will swap at 3, 6, 9
6.2 - Each team starts batting with a score of 0 runs.
6.3 - Each time a batter is out, 5 runs are added to the fielding sides score and the other batter of the pair faces the next ball.**

**6.4 - A batter may be out bowled, caught, run out, stumped, hit wicket.
6.5 - There is​ *no LBW law unless the batter deliberately blocks the ball*​ with a leg or foot.
6.6 – If the ball hits the wall, 1 run is scored. If the batters run between the wickets, 2 runs are scored. If the ball hits the wall and the batters run, 3 runs will be scored. A ball hitting the back wall along the ground will score 4 runs. A ball hitting the back wall and not touching the ground, will score 6 runs.
6.7 - 2 runs will be awarded to the batting team for each wide ball and no-ball bowled, but no extra ball will be allocated, except in the final over of each innings when, in addition to the 2 runs, an extra ball will be bowled.
6.8 - At the end of the first 3 overs, the first pair of batters retires and is replaced by the second pair until all 3 pairs have batted for 3 overs each. When the batters are replaced,
6.9 - The second team then bats for its 9 overs.**

1. **Bowling and Fielding**

**7.1 - Each player on the fielding side must bowl 1 over.**

 **7.2 - If a player gets a wicket, 5 runs will be added to the fielding teams score.**

**7.3 Bowling will be over arm only.**

With the exception of the wicketkeeper no fielder may field within 10 yards of the wicket, measured from the middle stump except behind the wicket on the off-side. A fielder may move into the restricted area to field a ball provided she was outside the area when the stroke was made.

**8. The Result**

**8.1 – During the second innings that batting sides revised target will be changed and displayed on the score board at the fall of a wicket.**

***E.g. if a team took 4 wickets when bowling and scored 50 runs during their batting innings, their total score would be (4x5) + 50 = 70 runs.***

All games are friendly and so whilst a score is kept, there is no league for the teams entered.