

# WORLD PAVILION

*At Château-Thoiry the first 'Test' is a draw*

## FRANCE V BELGIUM

France won the toss.

BELGIUM		At Château-Thoiry.	
K. Farniloe (Antwerp), c Payne, b Ebert	35	lbw b Hewitt	16
G. Broadbent (Antwerp), b Ebert	0	c Payne, b Hewitt	10
W. Ahmed (Pakistanaise de Belgique), c Shahzada, b Brumant	27	c Godfrey, b Ebert	35
J. Vaughan (Royal Brussels), run out	5	b Ebert	19
F. Malik (Royal Brussels), not out	51	lbw Ebert	22
P. Larivière (Mechelen Eagles), lbw b Hewitt	0	not out	9
K. Aga (Indiens d'Anvers), lbw b Hewitt	5	run out	0
I. Saddiqi (Royal Brussels), b A. Karunanayake	13	run out	32
J. Thornback (Royal Brussels), lbw b Brumant	24	not out	6
P. Ryan (Antwerp), not out	3	b Ebert	3
Extras	31	Extras	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>169</b>

Did not bat: S. Tahir (Malines).

Fall of wickets: 1-3, 2-57, 3-65, 4-84, 5-93, 6-95, 7-121, 8-180.

Bowling: Ebert 17-5-44-2; Hewitt 14-3-48-2; Brumant 23-6-43-2; A. Karunanayake 12-5-11-1; Rogers 2-0-3-0; Shahzada 0-0-9-0; Short 4-0-6-0; Godfrey 2-0-10-0.

Fall of wickets: 1-3, 2-46, 3-31, 4-34, 5-149, 6-150, 7-152, 8-155.

Bowling: Ebert 12-0-41-4; Hewitt 9-0-39-2; Brumant 7-0-34-0; A. Karunanayake 16-2-45-0.

## FRANCE

J. Short (Standard Athletic), not out	62	c and b Ahmed	36
M. Hafiz (Château de Thoiry), b Malik	3	st Thornback, b Saddiqi	65
S. Karunanayake (Sri Lankals), c Broadbent, b Vaughan	4	not out	7
S. M. Hewitt (Château de Thoiry), c Farniloe, b Ahmed	15	c and b Saddiqi	13
S. W. Shahzada (Château de Thoiry), b Ahmed	15	c Ryan, b Vaughan	31
D. F. Godfrey (Toulouse), c Ahmed, b Vaughan	8	run out	6
P. R. Rogers (Perpignan), not out	16	b Saddiqi	10
A. Karunanayake (Sri Lankals), did not bat	0	not out	3
L. G. Brumant (Paris Universitè)	0	c Ryan, b Ahmed	7
Extras	14	Extras (for 7 wickets)	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>180</b>

Did not bat: J. V. N. Payne (Standard Athletic), J. Ebert (Sri Lankals).

Fall of wickets: 1-7, 2-12, 3-59, 4-82, 5-93.

Bowling: Vaughan 14-2-48-2; Malik 7-2-11-1; Saddiqi 3-1-13-0; Ahmed 9-3-2-39-2; Farniloe 3-1-9-0; Tahir 3-0-10-0. Scorers: Andrew Dumford, Paul Schoffel and Lise Shaw.

Fall of wickets: 1-73, 2-83, 3-116, 4-127, 5-157, 6-168, 7-171.

Bowling: Vaughan 8-0-48-1; Malik 4-0-26-0; Saddiqi 8-0-38-3; Ahmed 10-0-68-2.

## MATCH DRAWN

The fact that the first recorded cricket match in Belgium was played by officers of the army of the Duke of Wellington prior to Waterloo did not augur well for the French hosts of the first ever 'International' match to be played in France and if Wellington's victory was all about overwhelming numbers, supply, artillery and organisation succeeding over dash, élan and sheer courage then such was the course of this first International at Chateau-Thoiry.

Belgium hogged the bowling to such an extent that this draw left honours even in the mind and hearts of both teams. Perhaps Belgium feared the consequence of the gala dinner on the Saturday night and thus opted for every possible advantage to be gleaned from the opportunity provided by being invited to bat first by France.

Dominique Perrin reports thus:

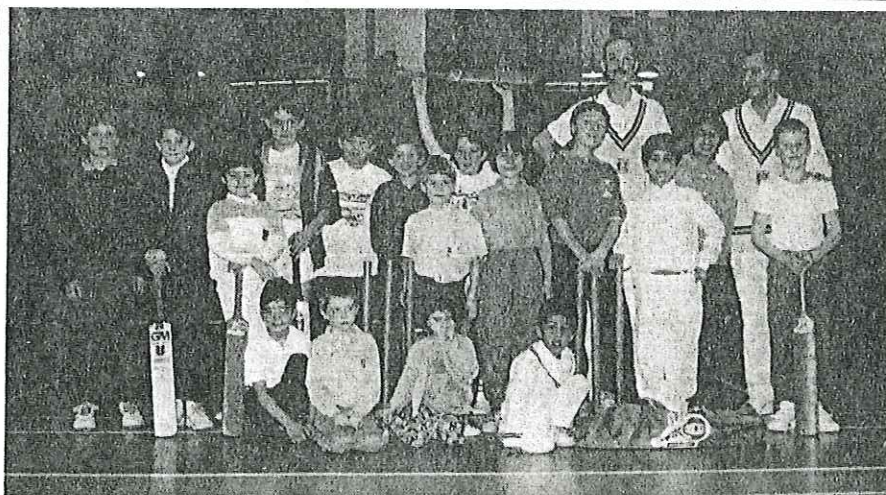
Belgium made heavy weather of the French attack after being put into bat, labouring to 194-8 declared off a mammoth 77 overs. Top scorer Farookh Malik made 51\* in 3½ hours at the crease. In reply, France rustled up 137-5 off 39 overs, Jack Short hitting 62\*, before declaring 57 behind.

Belgium refused to take the bait and batted steadily through Sunday afternoon. Fast bowler Jeva Ebert grabbed 4-41 before Belgian skipper Kenny Farniloe declared at 169-8, leaving France a target of 227 from 40 minutes plus 20 overs. Mohammad Hafiz raced to 65 as France stormed to 156-4 off just 24 overs. But wickets fell and the French called off the chase, finishing on 180-7, 47 runs short.



France-Belgium at Thoiry, 27th-28th April 1991. Dinner at the Château: the guests at the table. 'The Viscontesse' in the middle, with on the left Paul Larivière, President of the B.C.F. and Ken Farniloe on the right, captain of the Belgium National Team. Simon Hewitt, President of the Comité National de Cricket is facing camera in the foreground.

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