

# Guernsey v Jersey Inter Insular T20 International 2019 Game 2

Played at KGV, Guernsey  
on Saturday 1st June 2019 at 10.30am  
for the InfracsoftTech Trophy  
International T20 game 2

Umpires: Richard Veillard (Guernsey) and Neil Hall (Jersey); R Stockton (3rd)

Scorers: Bob O'Brien (Guernsey) and Gina Kearns (Jersey)

Toss won by Guernsey who elected to field

Jersey won by 41 runs

Man-of-the-match N Ferraby (J)

Reds go up a gear at KGV

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THE Game Two result was as comprehensive as the disparity between the two sides as Jersey took an unassailable 2-0 lead in the series on Saturday. The Reds carried their momentum from the super-over win the night before at the College Field down to the KGV with them and once they had got off to a flier in the glorious morning sunshine, they did not look back, a 41-run victory in no way flattering the visitors in a one-sided affair. On a lightning fast outfield and good batting pitch, Nick Ferraby was soon making hay against some erratic Guernsey bowling, finding the boundary rope often and with ease, helped by the early fielding restrictions. On this occasion, Jonty Jenner missed out, carving a wide Will Peatfield delivery down to third man where Nic Buckle took a well-judged catch, but that did not halt the momentum as Jersey rattled along at nigh-on 10 an over in the powerplay with Ben Stevens having now joined Ferraby. At the halfway stage of the innings, Jersey looked well set for a score in excess of 180 and perhaps even 200, so Guernsey could take some solace from the fact that they reined their opponents back in to some degree as pace came off the ball and boundaries became harder to come by due to the men patrolling the rope.

With the second-wicket pair having added 74 and taken their side past the 100, Stevens departed for a well-constructed 39 as he got a slight nick behind when attempting to advance down the wicket to Ant Stokes, but Dom Blampied joined Ferraby in putting together another half-century stand for the third wicket to set up a good total. Blampied fell just before the end of the innings, attempting an extravagant shot off David Hooper, but man-of-the-match Ferraby saw the job

through to carry his bat for an excellent 81 made from 64 balls, hitting 10 fours in the process, To stand a chance of sending the series into a deciding match rather than a dead rubber, Guernsey needed to get out of the blocks quickly in the powerplay. However, unlike Jersey who were afforded plenty of poor balls to gather momentum, Ash Wright and Lucas Barker had to force the issue against some accurate bowling. Wright managed to crash one boundary, but an attempted pull off Elliot Miles hit the splice of the bat and looped up to give Chuggy Perchard a straightforward catch. Barker followed in similar vein in the next over – trying to pull Will Robertson and only succeeding in skying a catch to Blampied at deep square leg – and Guernsey were already in deep trouble. With Josh Butler and Matt Stokes trying to build some sort of foundation, they were unable to take risks against the tidy Jersey attack and by the end of the powerplay the home side were not even going at a run-a-ball.

It made the remaining 14 overs redundant. Butler played some nice shots on his way to top scoring for his side with 38 while Stokes chipped in with 28 and together they put on 63, but the Greens were never really in the game. With the required run-rate going through the roof, Guernsey had to throw the bat and Perchard ended up capitalising with five wickets, helped in no small way by his fielders, to end up with the 13th best figures in T201 cricket to date. Jenner took a couple of fine catches, but it was Stevens' stunning effort, one-handed high above his head at extra cover to remove Luke Le Tissier, that was the highlight of the innings.