

Colombo East win by four wickets

Splendid bowling by Wimalaratne

A MAGNIFICENT piece of bowling by off-spinner Sarath Wimalaratne helped Colombo East beat Colombo South by 4 wickets, in the schools' inter-district final, on the St. Peter's College grounds yesterday. The match was over one and a quarter hours before time.

Maintaining a splendid length throughout, this young Anandian caused havoc in the South ranks and finished up by taking 8 wickets for 29 runs in 13.2 overs of which 6 were maidens. Five of his victims were clean bowled.

Colombo East, who had been 108 for 8 in reply to South's 142, were all out for 110—the last two wickets falling to Anton Perera.

Then came Colombo South's dramatic collapse for 71 runs, thanks to Sarath Wimalaratne's great bowling. The skipper, Samarasinghe, top-scored with 25. A. Anghie (19) and N. Senanayake (15) were the only others to enter double figures.

Colombo East, who had 104 runs to make for victory, started none too well, losing their first two wickets for only 19 runs. But two partnerships of 27 and 32 for the 3rd and 4th wickets respectively advanced the score to 78 for 4. Two more quick wickets fell, but East were able to get home for the loss of 6 wickets.

M. L. Fernando (24), Y. Amaradasa (20), S. Wimalaratne (10) and S. R. Sinniah (14 not out) were the chief contributors.

Le Mercier (3 for 42) and Idroos (2 for 22) again bowled well.

COLOMBO SOUTH—1st Innings 142

COLOMBO EAST—1st Innings (over-

night 108 for 8) cont'd.

G. Reimers, c N. Senanayake,	6
b A. Perera	6
D. de Silva not out	8
L. R. Gunatilleke, b A.	0
Perera	0
Extras	5

Total .. 110

Wickets fell at: 92, 97, 110, 110.

Bowling: D. Sahabandu 7—2—15—1; A. Perera 10.5—1—27—3; L. Senanayake 1—0—6—0; K. Wimalaratne 1—0—2—0; T. Le Mercier 11—3—17—2; M. L. Idroos 14—5—31—3; N. Senanayake 3—0—7—0.

COLOMBO SOUTH—2nd Innings

C. M. Ponniah, b Wimalaratne	5
N. Senanayake, c Smith, b Wimalaratne	15
L. Senanayake, b Wimalaratne	0
K. Wimalaratne, c Kodituwakku, b Wimalaratne	0
M. L. Idroos, b Wimalaratne	0
A. Anghie, c Polonowita, b Wimalaratne	19
A. Perera, b Wimalaratne	1
S. Samarasinghe, b Wimalaratne	0
Cooray, b Gunatilleke	0
Sahabandu, b Gunatilleke	0

T. Le Mercier not out	1	S. Wimalaratne, b Idroos	17
Extras	3	Y. Amaradasa, st. Anghie,	20
		b Le Mercier	14
Total	71	S. R. Sinniah not out	14
		G. Reimers, c Idroos, b Le Mercier	4
Wickets fell at: 18, 18, 18, 20, 25, 29, 43, 58, 64, 71.		T. D. Rajapakse not out	5
		Extras	5

Bowling: L. R. Gunatilleke 10—1—22—2; M. L. Fernando 6—1—8—0; S. Wimalaratne 13.2—6—29—8; Y. Amaradasa 3—1—8—0.

COLOMBO EAST—2nd Innings

P. Polonowita, c and b Wimalaratne	6	Bowling: D. Sahabandu 5—1—8—0; A. Perera 5—1—18—0; K. Wimalaratne 3—1—2—1; T. Le Mercier 17—3—42—3; M. L. Idroos 12—3—22—2; S. O. Samarasinghe 2.3—0—10—0.
D. Kodituwakku, c Sahabandu, b Le Mercier	10	
M. L. Fernando, st. Anghie, b Idroos	24	

Total (for 6 wkts.) .. 105

Wickets fell at: 17, 19, 46, 78, 80, 93.