



## **2014 NEWSLETTER NO. 16: SATURDAY, AUGUST 2**

# **Hyde lead by 16 points as Bowdon slip to bottom**

MORE dreadful weather failed to dampen spirits on Saturday with 12 out of 17 scheduled 1st XI League games played – almost all with reduced overs – one was abandoned – and only four cancelled. This was down to the enthusiasm and determination of players, officials and supporters, encouraged by positive umpiring, to render pitches fit for play despite disheartening conditions.

Such was the case at Neston v Toft in the **ECB Premier League** where the Parkgate ground was underwater at noon after monsoon type rain had consumed the Wirral. Skippers David Hurst and Toby Drummond (see back page) were determined to play so they got their players to work hard to render the pitch and square fit. They succeeded and although losing 40 overs, a terrific match ensued with just three balls remaining at the end.

Said home skipper Hurst: “We are glad we played even though we lost and got only 10 points. This is what Saturday afternoons are all about”.

Toft stay firmly in second place after this latest victory, replying with 190-6 (Henry Hughes 65, David Blackburn 51) in 34.3 overs after Neston had posted a daunting 189-5 off their 35, Jack Smith 65, David Hurst 48, Ryan Dickenson 3-65.

Hyde also got their pitch at Werneth Low fit for play after rain and were rewarded with a seven wickets victory over Grappenhall, who had knocked them out of the RedInsure T20 at Chester six days earlier. Grappers totalled 140-9 (Josh McClelland 35, Matt Hanna 4-54), batting only 10 men when wicket keeper Liam Parkinson’s train was late. Hyde replied with 144-3, Dave Fitzsimmons carrying his bat for 54 and skipper Danny Berry 41 also not out.

Hyde lead Toft by 16 points with six games remaining and they are a further 19 points ahead of reigning champions Chester Boughton Hall, who were unable to start at home to Bowdon.

This inactivity means Bowdon drop to the bottom of the table for the first time, being overtaken by fast-improving Oxton, who beat Alderley Edge by four wickets in another rain-reduced match in the Wirral. Alderley were restricted to 161, Charlie Reid 48 not out, Gayan Fernando 3-82 and Oxton made it comfortably at 171-6 Glenn Querll 50, James Fennah 30.

The match between Marple and Nantwich was cancelled, leaving the Dabbers needing points urgently as those below them creep up.

Struggling Bramhall’s situation was not eased when they mustered only seven points from a rain-ravaged draw at home to Urmston. Their visitors posted 178, Andy Turrell 45, Simon Wilkinson 7-80 off 22 accurate overs.

Bramhall’s response was cut from 44 to 38 overs by further rain and they had reached 118-9 at the close, Matt Hughes contributing a vital 43. Adam Syddall took 4-34 and Matt Parkinson 3-34.

**POINTS APPEAL:** Toft (4) and Oxton (5) have had points deducted for slow over rates which caused a late finish to their ECB Premiership game on Saturday, July 26. Toft won by four wickets and took 25 points to Oxton’s 10.

An appeal has been lodged by both clubs which is due to be heard on Wednesday this week. In the meantime the deducted points are not shown in the league table on page 5

**DIVISION 1**

**Cheadle rained off again – Macc take lead**

WITH Cheadle restricted to seven rain points for the third time in six weeks, Macclesfield took full advantage to go top of **Division One** for the first time.

They beat bottom side Brooklands by 82 runs with another impressive all-round performance led by skipper Nick Ross with a superb innings of 103 out in a declared tally of 208-5 from 32 overs. He was helped by Rob Porter, 35 and Tom Parfitt, 33. Brooklands were all out for 126, A.J. Hart 39, Porter's 4-60 clinching full points with four balls left.

Cheadle's game at Middlewich lasted only 15 overs, in which time the home side posted 59-2, Jordie Gibbens 25 not out, before heavy rain washed out further play.

Didsbury stuttered again in third place when they lost at home to improving Sale by five wickets. Didsbury mustered a below par 138-9 ( Matt Spells 53, Tyrone Lawrence 6-77) and Sale responded with 141-5, the outstanding Lawrence 40. with just two balls remaining.

The Christleton v Widnes and Davenham v Timperley matches were both called off without a ball being bowled, leaving the situation at the foot of the table unchanged: Brooklands 80 points; Widnes 129, Middlewich 130 all in most danger of relegation.

The Oulton Park v Cheadle Hulme fixture has been re-scheduled for Sunday, August 10.

**DIVISION 2**

**Tattenhall beat leaders**

WEAVERHAM lost their second game of the season at Tattenhall, whose promotion prospects from **Division Two** continue to look bright.

Weaverham were bowled out for 163, Wilden Cornwall 37, Owen Williamson taking 5-49 and Tattenhall just made it at 164-5 with two overs of an innings reduced by rain. Kiwi Dan Power scored 50 and Sam Green a key, unbeaten 46, while Rob McMillan took 3-49.

Second-placed Stockport reduced the gap to 32 points continuing their winning run at home to Congleton, whom they restricted to 111-7 in 35 overs, Tom Leese 41, Ryan Booth 41, the last three wickets all falling at 111 – Nelson! Stockport's outstanding Aussie Josh Manning hit a fine unbeaten 62 as the Cale Green men replied rapidly with 114-2 in 18 overs.

There was a flurry of activity at the foot of the table where Heaton Mersey beat Poynton and Irby defeated Northwich.

'Mersey bossed their opponents throughout a key game at The Heatons, restricting them to 127-9 from 42 overs, club chairman Brian Kingham making a rare appearance to top score with 24, while Shery Hassan took 4-33 and Saqib Ali 3-24. 'Mersey replied with a comfortable 131-5, solid knocks of 38 each from Ayaz Cheema and Shery Hassan helping them record their third win of the campaign.

'Mersey stay in 11th place, however, as Irby continued the improvement they showed at Weaverham the previous week with a two wickets win over Northwich at Mill Hill road. Northwich were all out for 142, Lee Evans 62, Mark Walker 50, Mark Newman 3-27, before Irby replied with 131-5, thanks largely to South African all-rounder Kagisho Pedi with a quality innings of 78.

Only three points separates 'Mersey and Irby from Bredbury St. Mark's, trounced at home by Warrington, whose Aussie pacesman Kyle Adams continues to do wondrous things. He claimed 7-25 to bowl Bredbury out for 62, after a plucky last wicket stand worth 28 between Rick Wilson and Andy Whittaker. Warrington coasted home with 65-1, Richard Heaney 33 not out.

Alvanley stay fourth after a tense two runs win at Upton where bowlers dominated. Alvanley mustered only 119, Simon Gee 36, Gary Dixon 5-54, but the Wirral men fell short at 117, Jamie Eccleston taking 3-18 and Ed Speakman 3-33.

All games were played in Division Two on a very wet day ..... congratulations to all.

**Top League stats after 15 games**

**PREMIER LEAGUE BATTING:** oBegbie (Bramhall) 669 runs; oHancock (Toft) 646; cLivingstone (Nantwich) and Jones (Toft) both 479.

**BOWLING:** Parkinson (Urmston) 42 wickets; Lomas (Toft) and oHanna (Hyde) 39; oFernando (Oxton) 37.

**DIVISION 1 BATTING:** oRoss (Macclesfield) 684 runs; Naughton (Widnes) 484; Bentley (Oulton Park) 467; oRenecke (Brooklands) 461.

**BOWLING:** oMoore (Cheadle) 40 wickets; oBurton (Cheadle Hulme) 39; Anderson (Didsbury) 35; Naseer (Christleton) 34.

**DIVISION 2 BATTING:** oCornwall (Weaverham) 547 runs; oManning (Stockport) 475; Sadler (Tattenhall) 447; oPotter (Upton) 437.

**BOWLING:** oAdams (Warrington) 49 wickets; oCornwall (Weaverham) 40; J. Williams (Poynton) 32; Hassan (Heaton Mersey) 28.

o = overseas player; c =contracted player.

## **SATURDAY'S ROUND-UP**

### **ECB Premiership**

**BRAMHALL (won toss, 7 pts.) drew with URMSTON (12 pts.)**

Urmston 178 (44 overs: A Turrell 45, C Turner 35, S. Wilkinson 7-80);

Bramhall 118-9 (38 overs: M Hughes 43, A Syddall 4-34, M Parkinson 3-34).

*Match originally reduced to 88 overs.*

**CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL v BOWDON:**

**Cancelled – 7 pts. each**

**HYDE (toss, 25 pts.) beat GRAPPENHALL (7 pts.) by 7 wickets:**

Grappenhall 140-9 (33 overs: batted 10 men: J. McClelland 35, M Hanna 4-54);

Hyde 144-3 (30 overs: D Fitzsimmons 54no, D Berry 45no, J Critchley 3-18).

*Match reduced to 76 overs.*

**MARPLE v NANTWICH:**

**Cancelled – 7 pts. each.**

**NESTON (10 pts.) lost to TOFT (toss, 25 pts.) by 4 wickets:**

Neston 189-5 (35 overs: J Smith 65, D Hurst 48, R Dickenson 3-65);

Toft 190-6 (34.3 overs: H Hughes 65, D Blackburn 51).

*Match reduced to 70 overs.*

**OXTON (25 pts.) beat ALDERLEY EDGE (toss, 6 pts.) by 10 runs:**

Oxton 171-6 (35 overs: G Querll 50, J Fennah 30);

Alderley Edge 161 (31 overs: C Reid 48no, C Rowe 38, A. Worrall 32, G. Fernando 3-82).

*Match reduced to 76 overs.*

### **Division 1**

**CHRISTLETON v WIDNES:**

**Cancelled – 7 pts. each**

**DAVENHAM v TIMPERLEY:**

**Cancelled – 7 pts. each**

**DIDSBURY (8 pts.) lost to SALE (25 pts.) by 5 wickets:**

Didsbury 135-9 (35 overs: T Lawrence 6-77);

Sale 141-5 (34.4 overs: T Lawrence 40).

*Match reduced to 70 overs.*

**MACCLESFIELD (25 pts.) beat BROOKLANDS (toss, 5 pts.) by 82 runs:**

Macclesfield 208-5 dec. (32 overs: N Ross 103, R Porter 34, T Parfitt 33);

Brooklands 126 (37.2 overs: A.J. Hart 39, R Holloway 30, R Porter 4-60).

*Match reduced to 70 overs.*

**MIDDLEWICH v CHEADLE (toss): abandoned – 7 pts. each**

Middlewich 59-2 (14.3 overs: J Gibbens 25no);

Cheadle did not bat

*Oulton Park v Cheadle Hulme is to be played on Sunday, August 10.*

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### **Division 2**

**BREDBURY ST. MARK'S (0 pts.) lost to WARRINGTON (25 pts.) by 9 wickets:**

Bredbury St. Mark's 62 (28 overs: K Adams 7-25);

Warrington 65-1 (13 overs: R Heaney 33no).

*Match reduced to 76 overs.*

**HEATON MERSEY (toss, 25 pts.) beat POYNTON (6 pts.) by 5 wickets:**

Poynton 127-9 (42 overs: B. Kingham 24, S Hassan 4-33, S. Ali 3-24);

Heaton Mersey 131-5 (33 overs: A Cheema 38, S. Hassan 38).

*Match reduced to 84 overs.*

**IRBY (toss, 25 pts.) beat NORTHWICH (7 pts. to be confirmed) by 2 wickets:**

Northwich 142 (40 overs: L Evans 62, M Walker 50, I de Silva 3-18, Mark Newman 3-27);

Irby 144-8 (42 overs: K Pedie 78).

*Match reduced.*

**STOCKPORT (toss, 25 pts.) beat CONGLETON (4 pts.) by 8 wickets:**

Congleton 111-7 (35 overs: T Leese 41, R Booth 41);

Stockport 114-2 (18 overs: J. Manning 62no).

*Match reduced to 70 overs.*

**TATTENHALL (toss, 25 pts.) beat WEAVERHAM (6 pts.) by 5 wickets**

Weaverham 163 (48 overs: W Cornwall 37, K Douglas 29no, O Williamson 5-49);

Tattenhall 164-5 (33 overs: D Power 50, S. Green 46no, R McMillan 3-49).

**UPTON (toss, 5 pts.) lost to ALVANLEY (25 pts.) by 2 runs**

Alvanley 119 (42 overs: S. Gee 36, G Dixon 5-54);

Upton 117 (49 overs: J. Ecclestone 3-18, E. Speakman 3-33).

*Match reduced to 92 overs.*

### **Triple wicket maiden for Jordan Clark**

Chester Boughton Hall all-rounder Jordan Clark starred in Lancashire's **NatWest T20 Blast** quarter-final against Glamorgan at Old Trafford on Saturday evening.

Clark, who had been made unavailable for Chester that day, took 4-24 including a triple wicket maiden to help his side win by one run. His victims were Murray Goodwin, Chris Cooke, Stewart Walters and David Lloyd.

This victory earns Lancashire a place in Final Day at Edgbaston on Saturday, August 23.

Finishing on the losing side in the T20 Blast was Oxton's Shaiq Choudhry playing for Worcestershire against Surrey at the Oval. Choudhry was featured on Sky tv conceding the winning runs in a three wickets defeat

### **2nd XI FINALS DRAW**

DRAW for the **RedInsure 2nd XI Finals Day** at Neston on Sunday, August 10 is:

Toft v Warrington (on main ground);

Hyde v Neston (on second ground)

The umpires appointed are Andy Crick, Ged Kinsey, Dion Kelly, George Murphy.

Both games start at 12 noon and will be followed by tea at 2.45 p.m. The final will be on the main ground starting at 3.30 p.m.

**Tables including games on August 2 – Week 16**

<b>ECB Premier League</b>	<b>Won</b> (25)	<b>Tied</b> (16)	<b>WD</b> (3)	<b>RD</b> (2)	<b>LD</b> (1)	<b>A/C</b> (7)	<b>Lost</b>	<b>Bat</b>	<b>Bowl</b>	<b>Pts.</b>
HYDE	9	0	1	0	2	3	1	19	12	282
TOFT	8	0	2	0	1	2	3	34	11	266
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	8	0	0	0	1	3	4	13	12	247
GRAPPENHALL	7	0	0	0	0	1	8	16	13	211
MARPLE	6	0	0	0	1	4	5	8	21	208
* ALDERLEY EDGE (3)	5	0	0	1	1	4	5	34	17	204
* BRAMHALL (3)	5	0	0	1	1	4	5	9	21	183
URMSTON	4	0	1	1	2	3	5	31	23	182
NANTWICH	4	0	1	2	0	4	5	24	16	175
NESTON	4	0	1	0	2	1	8	32	26	170
OXTON	3	0	3	0	0	1	9	50	26	167
BOWDON	3	0	2	0	0	3	8	24	27	153

*\*Points deducted for slow over rates*

<b>First Division</b>	<b>Won</b>	<b>Tied</b>	<b>WD</b>	<b>RD</b>	<b>LD</b>	<b>A/C</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>Bat</b>	<b>Bowl</b>	<b>Pts.</b>
MACCLESFIELD	9	0	0	1	1	3	2	15	11	275
CHEADLE	9	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	4	271
DIDSBURY	7	0	2	1	0	4	2	22	18	251
SALE	7	0	2	0	1	4	2	23	11	244
TIMPERLEY	6	0	0	1	1	4	4	23	12	216
o CHEADLE HULME	6	0	0	0	1	3	5	19	13	204
DAVENHAM	5	0	1	0	0	5	5	22	14	199
o OULTON PARK	5	0	0	0	2	3	5	16	20	184
CHRISTLETON	3	0	1	0	1	4	7	33	21	161
MIDDLEWICH	2	0	1	0	1	4	8	28	20	130
WIDNES	0	0	2	1	0	5	8	64	22	129
BROOKLANDS	0	0	1	0	2	3	10	32	22	80

o Cheadle Hulme and Oulton Park have played 15 games only.

<b>Second Division</b>	<b>Won</b>	<b>Tied</b>	<b>WD</b>	<b>RD</b>	<b>LD</b>	<b>A/C</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>Bat</b>	<b>Bowl</b>	<b>Pts.</b>
WEAVERHAM	9	0	3	0	1	1	2	28	21	291
STOCKPORT	8	0	1	1	4	2	0	21	15	259
TATTENHALL	6	0	5	1	1	2	1	48	23	253
ALVANLEY	6	0	3	1	2	2	2	35	14	226
NORTHWICH	6	0	0	1	1	4	4	13	13	207
UPTON	5	0	1	1	0	1	8	40	25	202
* WARRINGTON (3)	4	1	3	0	1	3	4	33	23	200
CONGLETON	5	0	0	2	0	1	8	20	19	175
BREDBURY ST. MARK'S	4	0	0	0	3	2	7	21	21	159
IRBY	3	0	1	0	2	1	9	40	32	159
* HEATON MERSEY (4)	3	1	0	1	0	4	7	20	19	156
POYNTON	2	0	0	0	2	3	9	15	23	111

*\*Points deducted for slow over rates.*

## **Chester's chance of trip to Spain**

WINNERS of the League's recent RedInsure T20 tournament, Chester Boughton Hall have been given the chance of an all-expenses-paid cricket trip to La Manga in Spain in October if they go on to win the ECB t20 Finals next month.

First they have to battle through two rounds of the Area Finals at Barnt Green on Sunday, alongside three other T20 winning clubs.

**The line-up at Barnt Green is:**

**Semi-final 1 (10.30 a.m.): Barnt Green (Birmingham Premier League) v Stone (North Staffs & South Cheshire Premier League).**

**Semi-final 2 (1.30 p.m.): Chester Boughton Hall v Menai Bridge (North Wales Premier League).**

**The two winners meet in the final at 4.30 p.m.**

The Barnt Green champions qualify for the Regional Final to be staged on Sunday, August 24 on an as yet unnamed ground.

The winners there go on to the National Finals Day at Wantage Road, Northampton on Tuesday, September 9 which is expected to be televised live by Sky. This date clashes with the Unicorns county championship play-off from September 7 – 10.

The big prize this year has been extended by the Lord's Taverners Charities Fund and will comprise a trip to the magnificent La Manga Sports Complex in Spain as the guest of Mike Gatting to play the winners of the Royal London Clubs T20. This is from October 8 – 13 and will have all travel and hotel expenses covered.

Says busy Chester secretary Jon Legry: "As they say, we are taking each round at a time and we're hoping to have Lancashire's Jordan Clark available for Barnt Green when our overseas player Josh Henderson, is ineligible".

Chester are currently the proud holders of the League's ECB championship trophy, the RedInsure T20 Trophy, the Cheshire Cup and the *Liverpool Echo* Cup.

They face a tough task in the latter competition with a semi-final visit to New Brighton on Friday (6. p.m.).

## **OVER 60s GO THROUGH**

CHESHIRE have qualified for the **National Over 60s championship last 16 play-offs** after beating Northumberland & Durham at Marpole last Tuesday.

They outplayed their combined North East visitors, scoring 174-9 (John Edwards 39) then dismissing them for 86 (Howard Morris 3-27, Bob Yardley 3-33 and Ted Williams four fine catches).

They now go on to the last 16 to be played on Tuesday, August 20, with the draw not yet made.

In two remaining group games, Cheshire visit Yorkshire at East Bierley on Tuesday this week and Lincolnshire at Sleaford on Tuesday, August 13.

Cheshire Over 60s 2nd XI have also been enjoying success, beating Worcestershire at Feckhampton last Thursday. Scores: Cheshire 149-4; Worcs 87.

Cheshire expect to have qualified for the quarter-final play-offs when they would play a double header against Gloucestershire and Devon on Wednesday and Thursday, August 13 and 14 at Kingsholm, Bristol.

## **Pitch marks: Saturday, July 26**

### **Premier League**

Alderley Edge v Marple: pitch 18; outfield 20;  
Bowdon v Neston: 15 – 20;  
Grappenhall v Chester: 18 – 19;  
Hyde v Bramhall: 16 – 19  
Nantwich v Urmston: 17 – 20;  
Toft v Oxtun: 16 – 20.

### **First Division:**

Brooklands v Christleton: 18 – 19;  
Cheadle v Davemham: missing  
Cheadle Hulme v Middlewich: 18 – 16;  
Oulton Park v Didsbury: 19 - 20;  
Timperley v Macclesfield: 17 – 19;  
Widnes v Sale: 17 – 20.

### **Second Division**

Alvanley v Tattenhall: 19 – 20;  
Congleton v Upton: 16 – 17;  
Northwich v Bredbury: 16 – 20;  
Stockport v Heaton Mersey 17 – 20;  
Warrington v Poynton: 18 – 219;  
Weaverham v Irby 18 – 19.

UMPIRES MARKS were not received from the following captains: Chester, Neston, Cheadle Hulme, Heaton Mersey, Sale.

MISSING RESULT SHEETS: June 21: Cheadle v Brooklands; July 5: Didsbury v Brooklands; July 12: Cheadle v Christleton;  
July 26: Cheadle v Davenham. These sheets are needed for comprehensive end of season pitch and outfield reports.

### ***UNPAID SUBS: 19 CLUBS TAKE NOTE***

League Treasurer Matthew Beckley issues a plea for the 19 clubs who have not yet paid their subscriptions for the current season to do so without further delay. Sanctions could follow unless they comply.

Clubs who require further details or wish to submit fees should contact Sandra Beckley by tel. 0161 221 9384 or by e-mail [sandrabeckley13@gmail.com](mailto:sandrabeckley13@gmail.com)

## **37,500 responses to ECB survey**

AT a meeting of ECB Premier League chairmen at Lord's last week it was reported that a total of 37,500 responses had been received of which 26,000 were from players. This represented a 77 per cent increase of the last survey. There is a meeting in the Manchester area on September 5 to assess the results

The ECB have trailed an under-19 T20 competition in four counties this season and hope to roll it out nationally in 2015.

League chairman David Humpage spoke about the CCL's innovative Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> XI format introduced this season incorporating a shorter game, regionalisation and limits on bowlers in line with ECB efforts to increase participation of players from 16 – 24.

A revised Disciplinary Code is to be introduced for 2015.

A total of 11 of the 26 leagues are using the "Who's the Umpire" system which was widely praised

There is to be refinement in the play-cricket.com system in the autumn which is likely to include better integration and other tools such as Crik.HQ,

Former Didsbury player Paul Brierley gave a talk on channels of communication with players currently being trialed with 20,000 players in four areas – including Cheshire.



## **Over 40s play-offs draw**

WITH the final **Over 40s section** group fixtures due to be played on Wednesday this week, the line-up for the quarter-final play-offs has taken further shape.

Neston and Tattenhall Wreckers take the top two places in the West group and will need to toss up if both win their final games. Unbeaten Toft have won the Central group, with Alsager runners-up.

Champions in 2013, Urmston Tigers lost their first game against Brooklands, but top the North-East group. Runners-up will be Brooklands or Cheadle, who actually meet on Wednesday.

Marple, also unbeaten, top the South-East group with Bredbury Saints runners-up.

The play-offs should take place on Sundays, August 10 or 17, or in midweek up to and including Friday, August 15. The Competition Secretary should be informed of the dates agreed. Finals Day is at Chester on Bank Holiday Monday, August 25.

### **Quarter-finals line-up**

**Neston or Tattenhall v Alsager**

**Toft v Tattenhall or Neston;**

**Urmston Tigers v Bredbury Saints**

**Marple v Cheadle or Brooklands (Sunday, August 10, 10.30 a.m.)**

### **JULY 30 RESULTS**

#### WEST GROUP

**Caldy (4 pts.) v Chester Boughton Hall conceded**

**Irby lost to Tattenhall Wreckers (4 pts.) by 23 runs:**

Tattenhall 126-6 (Hope 31, Hunt 30, Renshaw 3-15, Gibson 2-22); Irby 103-5 (D Newman 31, Whiteman 29, Harper 2-8).

**Neston (4 pts.) beat Upton by 4 wickets:**

Upton 98 (Jarvis 21, Chapman 20, Strong 3-10, Gibbons 3-29); Neston 101-6 (Gibbons 33, Stimson 21).

**Oxton (4 pts.) beat Warrington by 2 wickets:**

Warrington 100-4 (Sleigh 31, Rothwell 30); Oxton 101-8 off last ball (Perry 21, Gilbert 4-14, Connolly 4-21).

#### CENTRAL GROUP

**Bowdon v Alsager: late result. £15 fine. Please submit result ASAP.**

**Davenham v Mobberley: late result. £15 fine. Please submit result ASAP.**

**Grappenhall (4 pts.) beat Ashley by 87 runs:**

Grappenhall 145-4 (Baxter 31, Reilly 30); Ashley 58 (Nicholson 5-14, Clissold 3-4).

**Toft (4 pts.) beat Bowdon Vale Vikings by 73 runs:**

Toft 133-4 (Hope 30, Drummond 30, Shakespeare 2-29); Bowdon Vale 60-4 (Dean 31, Murray 2-5).

#### NORTH EAST GROUP:

**Ashton on Mersey (4 pts.) beat Alderley Edge Wizards by 1 wicket:**

Alderley Edge 145-6 (Jackson 32, Chan 32, Bolton 32); Ashton on Mersey 146-9 (Arora 34, Warner 34).

**Brooklands (4 pts.) beat Urmston Tigers by 3 runs:**

Brooklands 135-5 (Mitchell 34); Urmston 132-6 (Dartnell 32, Higginbottom 30, Pardoe 2-16, Terry 2-21).

**Cheadle Hulme lost to Cheadle (4 pts.) by 1 wicket:**

Cheadle Hulme 111-4; Cheadle 112-9.

**Timperley lost to Sale Silverbacks (4 pts.) by 9 runs:**

Sale 130-7 (Bolton 31, Harvey 30, Mardle 21); Timperley 121-6 (Nicholson 35, Fisher 32).



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### ***O40s results continued ...***

#### SOUTH-EAST GROUP

**Bollington Veterans (4pts.) beat Offerton by 6 wickets:**

Offerton 109-2 (Ryles 30, Bates 30); Bollington 110-4 (Burns 32, Hart 30, Pickles 3-20).

**Bramhall v Poynton Legends: late result. £15 fine. Please notify ASAP.**

**Macclesfield lost to Bredbury Saints (4 pts.) by 22 runs:**

Bredbury 141-5 (Clarke 30, Bashford 30, Martin 28, Cutbill 3-20); Macclesfield 119-8 (Bradley 28, Frame 26).

**Marple (4 pts.) beat Woodley by 17 runs:**

Marple 154-1 (Littler 32, Thompson 32, Bailey 32, Bradley 31); Woodley 137-5 (Turner 31, Rippon 31, Coffey 22).

#### ***Latest tables***

<u>West group</u>	<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>C/A</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PTS.</b>
NESTON	13	11	0	1	1	46 play offs
TATTENHALL WRECKERS	13	11	0	1	1	46 play offs
IRBY	13	8	0	1	4	34
OXTON	13	5	0	2	6	24
WARRINGTON	13	6	0	0	7	24
UPTON	13	3	1	2	7	19
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	13	2	1	0	10	11
CALDY	13	1	0	1	11	6

#### Central group

TOFT	13	12	0	1	0	50 play-offs
*ALSAGER	12	9	0	2	1	40
GRAPPENHALL	13	8	0	2	3	36
*DAVENHAM	12	4	0	2	6	20
*BOWDON	12	5	0	1	6	22
BOWDON VALE VIKINGS	13	4	0	2	7	20
ASHLEY	13	1	0	1	11	6
*MOBBERLEY	12	1	0	1	10	6

#### North-East group

URMSTON TIGERS	13	9	0	3	1	42 play-offs
CHEADLE	13	7	0	3	3	34
BROOKLANDS	13	7	0	1	5	30
CHEADLE HULME	13	6	0	2	5	28
SALE SILVERBACKS	13	6	0	2	5	28
ALDERLEY EDGE WIZARDS	13	5	0	3	5	26
ASHTON on MERSEY	13	2	0	1	10	10
TIMPERLEY	13	1	0	3	9	10

#### South-East group

MARPLE	13	11	0	2	0	48 play-offs
BREDBURY SAINTS	13	9	0	2	2	40 play-offs
BOLLINGTON VETERANS	13	6	0	2	5	28
MACCLESFIELD	13	6	0	2	5	28
*POYNTON LEGENDS	12	6	0	1	5	26
*BRAMHALL	12	3	0	1	8	14
OFFERTON	13	2	0	1	10	10
WOODLEY	13	2	0	1	10	10

\* Indicates missing results

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### **O40s continued ...**

#### **FINAL FIXTURES ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6 (6 p.m.)**

WEST GROUP: Caldy v Irby; Neston v Oxton; Tattenhall v Chester; Upton v Warrington.

CENTRAL GROUP: Ashley v Alsager; Davenham v Toft; Grappenhall v Bowdon; Mobberley v Bowdon Vale.

NORTH-EAST GROUP: Alderley Edge v Sale; Ashton on Mersey v Timperley; Cheadle v Urmston; Cheadle Hulme v Brooklands.

SOUTH-EAST GROUP: Bollington v Marple; Bramhall v Macclesfield; Bredbury v Poynton; Offerton v Woodley.

### **Another Moore ton for Cheshire**

OULTON Park batsman Rick Moore scored his third century of the season on the first day of Cheshire's crucial **Unicorns championship** game against West group leaders Wiltshire at Salisbury, starting on Sunday.

He rescued the innings from 143-7 to close on 227 from 70 overs, his best support coming from Danny Berry, 29 and debutant Matt Ingram, 20.

At the close of play, Wiltshire had reached 147-8 from 42 overs, but closed on 174 all out early on Monday, trailing by 73 runs  
Cheshire team: James Duffy captain, Danny Berry (Hyde), Dan Woods (York), Lee Dixon, Warren Goodwin, Jack Williams (Chester); Rick Moore, Pat Roberts (Oulton Park); Calum Rowe (Alderley Edge), Adam Syddall (Urmston), Matt Ingram (Upton). 12th man: Nick James (Oulton Park).

### **Cheshire Cup semi-finals line-up**

THE remainmg quarter-finals in the **Cheshire Cup** were resolved on Sunday. Scores:

Urmston v Oxton, not yet in.

Holders Chester Boughton Hall received a bye when Bollington withdrew.

In earlier games, New Brighton beat Brooklands and Macclesfield eliminated Toft.

Semi-finals draw: Urmston or Oxton v Chester (TBA); Macclesfield v New Brighton (Sunday, August 10).

### **CHESHIRE SHIELD FINAL**

HAWK GREEN will stage the final of the **Cheshire Shield** against Ashton on Mersey on Sunday, August 17 (1.30 p.m.).

### **TACS Cheshire League leaders win**

THE top two clubs Mobberley and Bollington and struggling Lindow were the only winners in the First Division of the **TACS Partnership Cheshire League** on Saturday.

Division 1 results: Lindow 126-4 beat Hale Barns 124; Malpas 89-7 drew with Romiley 138-6; Mobberley 189-7 beat Ashton on Mersey 186-9; Oakmere 84 lost to Bollington 85-5. Cancelled: Chester County Officers v Stockport Georgians; Prestbury v Runcorn.

#### **Up to date placings**

1. Mobberley	279 pts.
2. Bollington	271
3. Ashton on Mersey	258
4. Romiley	246
5. Stockport Georgians`	243
6. Malpas	209
7. Runcorn	205
8. Lindow	172
9. Prestbury`	171
10. Hale Barns	147
11. Chester Country Officers	144
12. Oakmere	116

Division 1 fixtures on Saturday, August 9 (1.30 p.m.): Ashton on Mersey v Malpas; Bollinbton v Chester County Officers; Hale Barns v Prestbury; Romiley v Oakmere; Runcorn v Mobberley; Stockport Georgians v Lindow.

*Information provided by TACS chairman Graham Coull.*

**LEAGUE FIXTURES & UMPIRES FOR WEEK 16:  
SATURDAY / SUNDAY, AUGUST 9 / 10**

**SATURDAY**

**ECB Premier League (12.30 p.m.)**

ALDERLEY EDGE v NESTON  
BOWDON v HYDE  
GRAPPENHALL v BRAMHALL  
NANTWICH v OXTON  
TOFT v CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL  
URMSTON v MARPLE

Barrie Burns & Mark Turner  
Paul Herring & Ged Kinsey  
Neville Kent & Gary Zimmer  
Graham Harris & Ankin Jain  
Howard Briggs & Trevor Burnett  
David Goulding & John Lofthouse

**First Division (1 p.m.)**

BROOKLANDS v DAVENHAM  
CHEADLE v OULTON PARK  
CHEADLE HULME v DIDSBURY  
SALE v CHRISTLETON  
TIMPERLEY v MIDDLEWICH  
WIDNES v MACCLESFIELD

Tony Morris & Ian Wilson  
Darrin Clark & Ian Greensmith  
Bob Cunningham & Clive Rice  
Steve Duckers & Simon Smith  
Brian Jones & Graham Pugh  
David Gane & Steve Kirkbright

**Second Division (1 p.m.)**

ALVANLEY v STOCKPORT  
CONGLETON v HEATON MERSEY  
NORTHWICH v TATTENHALL  
POYNTON v BREDBURY ST.MARK'S  
WARRINGTON v IRBY  
WEAVERHAM v UPTON

Ken Rothwell & David Williams  
Peter Davies & John Lowe  
Jon Hacking & Steve Walton  
Chris Smith & Tom Spencer  
Dion Kelly & Ken Simpson  
Neville Abberley & Ray Prescott

**2nd XI Premier Division (1 p.m.)**

CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL v TOFT  
DIDSBURY v GRAPPENHALL  
HYDE v CHEADLE  
MACCLESFIELD v NANTWICH  
MARPLE v URMSTON  
NESTON v ALDERLEY EDGE

Club umpire & no panel umpire available  
Steve Wilkinson & no panel umpire available  
Club umpire & no panel umpire available  
Brian Boys & no panel umpire available  
David Tate & no panel umpire available  
Club umpire & no panel umpire available

**SUNDAY**

**First Division (1 p.m.)**

OULTON PARK v CHEADLE HULME

Brian Boys & Graham Page

## **Toby Drummond to lead MCC in Botswana**

TOFT captain Toby Drummond has been appointed captain of an MCC team to tour Botswana in Central Africa from September 23 – October 6.

Also in the party is Alderley Edge's Jonathan Steele. Team manager is former Surrey and Cumberland all-rounder Graham Monkhouse.

Says Toby, who had previous MCC touring experience to Namibia in 2011: "It's a tremendous honour for my club, the league and, of course, myself, to be asked to captain the MCC team for this tour which will entail three 50 overs matches and three T20 games against the Botswana National XI and Under 19s".

He added: "On the down side, if Toft manage to win the Premier League this season, I won't be at the dinner to collect the trophy. But there's much water to flow under that bridge yet!"

### **10 Years Ago**

#### **From the *Newsletter* of August 7, 2004**

AFTER two damaging defeats ECB Premier leaders Oulton Park recovered to thrash Chester Boughton Hall by 96 runs at Little Budworth, newcomer **Andy Wilgose** starring with 4-30. Oulton led Bowdon by 12 points with six games to play.

CHRISTLETON topped Division One for the first time (**Alex Barr** 5-63, **Gareth Jacobs** 69) after beating Birkenhead Park handsomely despite Aussie **Damon Livermore** taking his seasonal tally to 719 with a sparkling innings of 117.

MELBOURNE-born paceman **Peter Manser** became the first League bowler to top 50 wickets with an 8-28 return for Cheadle against Bollington, which kept them in the Division Two lead.

THE Over 40s section First Division – with 16 clubs against the 32 of 2014 – was won by Bowdon, who pipped Toft by four points after winning their last game against Cheadle Hulme, thanks to good efforts from **Tony Dawson** 33 and **Martin Strzlecki** 3-7. Mobberley won Division Two by one point from Tattenhall.

THE mid-season meeting of the League Umpires Association heard complaints that expenses were being paid too late and clubs were asked to pull up their socks. Panel member **Neville Heys** had recently umpired the Central Lancashire League Wood Cup final between Walsden and Heywood at Milnrow. New member **Geoffrey Wellsted**, based at Caldby, was given a warm welcome.

### **Modesty corner ...**

UMPIRE Liam Spiers has sent the following e-mail:

"Please add me to your mailing list as I have recently rejoined the Umpires panel and like to keep in touch with what is going on. There's nothing like the fantastic *Newsletter* here in Northampton".

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