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Hyde double over champions; Oxton and Neston both win

ON another Saturday when the fixture list was decimated by rain, it was fine long enough at Chester for Hyde to complete a thrilling last-over **ECB Premiership** double over the 2013 champions. Also for Oxton to continue their upturn with a vital home victory over Bowdon which improves their chance of dodging relegation.

The game at Chester was originally reduced to a 35 overs each affair, Boughton Hall recovering to post 162-9 after being 60-6, thanks to Jim Gillson, 47 and Ross Dixon 34. Bowling unchanged Jason Whittaker took 6-77 and Matt Hanna 3-88, while wicket-keeper Ben Alcock took four catches.

Hyde's reply lost two further overs to rain, but they chased victory in their inimitable manner with James Duffy scoring 47. Yet it needed an unbroken seventh wicket stand worth 68 between teenager Danny Williams, 34 and Matt Hanna, 30 to overtake Chester with one ball to spare. The 25 points accrued - following their 131-runs win back in May - gives Hyde pole position by 16 points.

Oxton made it two wins in a row after outplaying fellow-strugglers Bowdon by 60 runs on Wirral. Chris Cashin top-scored with 52, aided by Shaiq Choudhry, 32 in Oxton's 171-9, Matt Tully returning a handsome 6-32 off 14 overs. Earlier in the season, the MGS student had taken 6-6 against Oxton to win the April/May Performance of the Month award. Apart from Pat Ashling, 55 and Stephen Ball, 27 no Bowdon batsman reached double figures against the relentless attack of Gayan Fernando, 5-38 and Glenn Querl 4-25 and they were all out for 111.

Life at Neston also continues to stir and the Parkgate men recorded their third win, by 38 runs in another rain-reduced game at home to Grappenhall. Neston totalled 158-9 in their allocation of 37 overs, David Hurst 48, Will Evans 32, Albert Pennington 4-21, Sam Guest 4-85. Grappers reached 41-0, then lost three wickets without addition all to Richard Wilkinson (3-43). Later their last four wickets fell without addition to the final score of 120, Paul Stimson taking 5-24, while skipper Hurst wound up a happier day than lately with 2-5.

Oxton stay bottom, but now have 132 points, while Neston lie 11th on 135, both now close behind Bowdon on 143.

Three games which failed to start were Bramhall v Nantwich; Marple v Toft and Urmston v Alderley Edge.

Division One wipe out

Not a ball was bowled in the **First Division**, all six fixtures being cancelled due to heavy morning rain which means Cheadle stay top with 239 points, followed by Didsbury, 230 and Macclesfield 225. At the bottom: Middlewich 119 pts.; Widnes 115; Brooklands 65.

Weaverham 52 points clear

There was more action in **Division Two** where four games were played, including a 15 - 5 points draw for leaders Weaverham at Bredbury St. Mark's, which gives them an advantage of 52 points.

James Lewis's whirlwind unbeaten 66 off 26 balls helped Weaverham declare on 208-4 after which Bredbury - miraculously, the only East-Cheshire ground on which any cricket was played - held out with their last pair together at 156-9. This was down to 20 year-old Matt Nuttall with a mature innings of 60, while Wilden Cornwall claimed 7-46.

The Tattenhall v Congleton game was rattling along at a merry pace until rain ended play early. Tattenhall scored 199-8, Ollie Thompson 49, Glen Coppack 45, John Copeland 3-63. Congleton had reached 159-5, losing four to rain. Ryan Booth was enjoying a good day with a swashbuckling unbeaten 87.

Stockport kept up their promotion prospects thanks to a 92 runs win at Upton after Aussie Josh Manning, with 101 - the day's only century - had helped his side post 175-9. Upton were bowled out for 83, John Dunley 5-16.

Alvanley won by five wickets at Irby, who remain in the relegation zone. Irby mustered only 114, John Suckley 4-47 and Alvanley replied with 118-5, Andy Hayhurst 27 not out, Colin Gibson 3-25.

Matches not started were Heaton Mersey v Warrington and Poynton v Northwich.

SATURDAY'S SAD STORY ...

ECB Premiership

BRAMHALL v NANTWICH: Cancelled – 7 pts. each

CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL (10 pts.) lost to HYDE (won toss, 25 pts.) by 4 wickets:

Chester Boughton Hall 162-9 (35 overs: J Gillson 47, R Dixon 34, L Dixon 30, J. Whittaker 6-77, M Hanna 3-88);

Hyde 163-6 (32.5 overs: J Duffy 47, D Williams 34, M Hanna 30 no).

Match originally reduced to 70 overs.

MARPLE v TOFT: Cancelled – 7 pts. each

NESTON (toss, 25 pts.) beat GRAPPENHALL (6 pts.) by 38 runs:

Neston 158-9 (37 overs: D Hurst 45, W Evans 32, A. Pennington 4-21, S. Guest 4-85);

Grappenhall 120 (- overs: P Stimson 5-24, R. Wilkinsonm 3-43).

Match reduced to 74 overs.

OXTON (25 pts.) beat BOWDON (toss, 5 pts.) by 60 runs:

Oxton 171-9 9 (45 overs: G Querl 52, S. Choudhry 31, M. Tully 6-32);

Bowdon 111 (39.5 overs: P Ashling 55, S Ball 27, G Fernando 5-38, G Querl 4-25).

Match reduced to 90 overs.

URMSTON v ALDERLEY EDGE: Cancelled – 7 pts. each

Leading stats up to and including Saturday, July 12 (o = overseas; c = county contracted) :

Batting: oBegbie (Bramhall) 669 runs; oHancock (Toft) 547; Jones (Toft) 479; C Turner (Urmston) 444; cLivingstone (Nantwich) 390.

Bowling: Parkinson (Urmston) 41 wickets; Lomas (Toft) 37; oHanna (Hyde) 31; Querl (Oxton) 31; Wilkinson (Bramhall) 27.

Division 1

CHRISTLETON v TIMPERLEY:

Cancelled – 7 pts. each

DAVENHAM v CHEADLE HULME:

Cancelled – 7 pts. each

DIDSBURY v WIDNES:

Cancelled – 7 pts. each

MACCLESFIELD v CHEADLE:

Cancelled – 7 pts. each

MIDDLEWICH v OULTON PARK:

Cancelled – 7 pts. each

SALE v BROOKLANDS:

Cancelled – 7 pts. each

Leading stats to date:

Batting: oRoss (Macclesfield) 664 runs; oRenecke (Brooklands) 445; Naughton (Widnes) 442; Moore (Oulton Park) 427; Bentley (Oulton Park) 426.

Bowling: oBurton (Cheadle Hulme) 35; Anderson (Didsbury) 34; Moore (Cheadle) 34; Page (Timperley) 31; Lawrence (Sale) 30.

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Division 2 scores

BREDBURY ST. MARK'S (won toss, 5 pts.) drew with WEAVERHAM (15 pts.):

Weaverham 208-4 dec. (26 overs: J. Lewis 66no, W Cornwall 38, K Waterhouse 35, R McMillan 32);
Bredbury 156-9 (37 overs – one lost to rain: M Nuttall 60, W. Cornwall 7-46).
Match originally reduced to 64 overs.

HEATON MERSEY v WARRINGTON:

Cancelled – 7 pts. each

IRBY (4 pts.) lost to ALVANLEY toss, 25 pts.) by 5 wickets:

Irby 114 (44 overs: Mike Newman 30, J. Suckley 4-47, R. Fisher 3-22);
Alvanley 118-5 (37 overs: A Hayhurst 27no, C Gibson 3-25)

POYNTON v NORTHWICH:

Cancelled – 7 pts. each

TATTENHALL (12 pts.) v CONGLETON (toss, 8 pts.): match abandoned as draw.

Tattenhall 199-8 (39 overs: O.Thompson 47, G Coppack 45, J Copeland 3-63);
Congleton 159-5 (35 overs: R. Booth 87no).
Match reduced to 78 overs.

UPTON (toss, 4 pts.) lost to STOCKPORT (25 pts.):

Stockport 175-9 (47 overs: J Manning 101, M. Ingram 3-23);
Upton 83 (41 overs: J. Dunley 5-16).
Match reduced to 94 overs.

Leading stats to July 12:

Batting: oCornwall (Weaverham) 509; o Manning (Stockport) 472; S Sadler (Tattenhall) 406; oR. Potter(Upton) 369; Smith (Bredbury) 333.

Bowling: oAdams (Warrington) 44; Shepherd (Northwich) 40; Cornwall (Weaverham) 33; Williams (Poynton) 30; Shewring (Tattenhall) 27.

Fifties bow out

CHESHIRE lost their key **ECB 50 Plus county championship** game against Lancashire at Formby on Wednesday last week and have failed to qualify for the last 16 play-offs.

In a game reduced by morning rain to 42 overs each, Lancashire batted well to reach 240-8, chief wicket takers being Chris Moore, 3-71, Bernie Bishop, 2-47 and Colin Gibson, 2-50, although none did better than the economical Andy McIlroy with 0-15 off his nine overs.

Skipper Garry Cash set a fine example with an innings of 66 in Cheshire's reply, but apart from Bishop, 38, none of the remaining batsmen made much of a mark in a final tally of 186, 54 runs short.

Cheshire finished a creditable joint second in their group with Durham and Lancashire with five wins in seven games, but their rivals both had better runs per wickets averages.

Cheshire Over 60s won their national championship group game against Lincolnshire at Grappenhall last Tuesday by 81 runs. Scores: Cheshire 217-7 (Chris Leech 59, Nick Sharp 58, Chris Lees 31, Ted Williams 27); Lincs 136 (Bob Yardley 5-26, Howard Morris 3-27, Ted Williams 2-18).

Cheshire are next in action away to Derbyshire on Tuesday this week

BROTHER AND SISTER TRANSFERRED

RECENT transfers authorised by League Assistant secretary Tony Morris include brother and sister Daniel and Emma Lamb who have moved from Leyland to join ECB Premiership club Bramhall.

Other moves: Will Hayes (Hyde to Bredbury St. Mark's); Francis Bowers (Skelmersdale to Hyde); Paul Gould (Bramhall to Poynton). A total of 19 transfers have been approved since the start of the season.

Tables including games on July 19 all played 14

ECB Premier League	Won (25)	Tied (16)	WD (3)	RD (2)	LD (1)	A/C (7)	Lost	Bat	Bowl	Pts.
HYDE	7	0	1	0	2	3	1	19	12	232
TOFT	6	0	2	0	1	2	3	34	11	216
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	7	0	0	0	1	2	4	13	12	215
GRAPPENHALL	7	0	0	0	0	1	6	10	10	202
MARPLE	6	0	0	0	1	3	4	8	17	197
* ALDERLEY EDGE (3)	4	0	0	1	1	4	4	30	15	173
* BRAMHALL (3)	5	0	0	0	1	4	4	6	15	172
URMSTON	4	0	1	0	1	3	5	23	19	167
NANTWICH	4	0	0	2	0	3	5	16	12	153
BOWDON	3	0	2	0	0	2	7	23	25	143
NESTON	3	0	1	0	2	1	7	24	24	135
OXTON	2	0	3	0	0	1	8	42	24	132

* = points deducted for slow over rates

First Division	Won	Tied	WD	RD	LD	A/C	Lost	Bat	Bowl	Pts.
CHEADLE	8	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	4	239
DIDSBURY	7	0	1	1	0	4	1	10	12	230
MACCLESFIELD	7	0	0	1	1	3	2	15	11	225
TIMPERLEY	6	0	0	1	1	3	3	21	10	205
SALE	5	0	2	0	1	4	2	23	11	194
DAVENHAM	5	0	1	0	0	4	4	22	13	191
CHEADLE HULME	5	0	0	0	1	3	5	19	13	179
OULTON PARK	5	0	0	0	1	3	5	14	16	177
CHRISTLETON	3	0	1	0	0	3	7	31	17	147
MIDDLEWICH	2	0	1	0	1	3	7	28	16	119
WIDNES	0	0	2	1	0	4	7	61	19	116
BROOKLANDS	0	0	0	0	2	3	9	25	17	65

Second Division	Won	Tied	WD	RD	LD	A/C	Lost	Bat	Bowl	Pts.
WEAVERHAM	8	0	3	0	1	1	1	24	19	261
STOCKPORT	6	0	1	1	4	2	0	21	15	209
TATTENHALL	4	0	5	1	1	2	1	48	23	203
ALVANLEY	5	0	3	1	2	2	1	32	12	196
NORTHWICH	5	0	0	1	1	4	3	9	10	175
UPTON	4	0	1	1	0	1	7	39	21	172
CONGLETON	5	0	0	2	0	1	6	14	18	168
* WARRINGTON (3)	3	1	2	0	1	3	4	25	19	160
BREDBURY ST. MARK'S	4	0	0	0	3	2	5	20	17	153
* HEATON MERSEY (4)	2	1	0	1	0	4	6	19	17	128
IRBY	2	0	1	0	2	1	8	32	29	123
POYNTON	2	0	0	0	1	3	8	8	19	99

* = points deducted for slow over rates.

League pitch reports: Saturday, July 12

ECB Premier League:

Alderley Edge v Nantwich: pitch 18; outfield 20;
Bowdon v Marple: 15 – 20;
Chester Boughton Hall v Bramhall: 17 – 19;
Grappenhall v Oxton: 19 – 19;
Hyde v Neston: 17 – 19;
Toft v Urmston: 13 – 19.

First Division:

Brooklands v Widnes: 15 – 18;
Cheadle v Christleton: **late sheet**
Cheadle Hulme v Macclesfield: 17 – 19; *Cheadle Hulme had no scorer.*
Middlewich v Didsbury: 18 – 20;
Oulton Park v Davenham: **late sheet**
Timperley v Sale: **late sheet**

Second Division:

Alvanley v Bredbury: 19 – 20;
Congleton v Irby: 18 – 19;
Northwich v Warrington: 17 – 20;
Stockport v Tattenhall: 17 – 20;
Upton v Heaton Mersey 16 – 17;
Weaverham v Poynton: 19 – 18.
All captains' reports on umpires were received by co ordinator Ken Spilsbury.

Parkinson wins Performance of Month award

URMSTON's 17 year-old leg-spinner Matthew Parkinson has won the league's June Performance of the Month award with his 8-86 return in an ECB Premier League game against Hyde.

Parkinson, the 2013 Young Player of the Year, led the Premiership wicket-takers with 41 victims up to July 12. He has represented Staffordshire this season as well as playing in Lancashire age group teams. He will receive a framed certificate and sports voucher donated by Canterbury Sports.

Other notable individual performances during the month considered by the Cricket Committee at their June meeting included: Liam Livingstone (Nantwich) 88 and 7-114 including hat-trick v Grappenhall; Tom Mitchell (Brooklands 2nd) 9-29 v Congleton; Luke Danaher (Stockport 2nd) 140 not out v Bredbury; Jon Crick (Neston 2nd) 60 and 4-57 v Macclesfield; M. Marsden (Woodford 3rd) whose bowling analysis against Hyde was 4 overs 4 maidens 0 runs 5 wickets, including a hat-trick.

O TOFT all-rounder Rob Jones has been named in the England squad to play South Africa in a series of Under 19 international matches before the end of August.

O THE Cricket Survey promoted by the Cheshire Cricket Board resulted in 1,400 responses from throughout the county, compared with 800 in 2013. . The total included 972 from players, 414 being from those in the Cheshire County League.

O APPLICATIONS to enter the league in 2015 have come from Wilmslow Wayfarers (3rd XI Saturdays) and Chester Boughton Hall Academy (3rd XI Sundays).

O THE end of season meeting of the League Umpires & Scorers Association will take the form of a Q &A session with three club captains. The event at Sale on Wednesday, September 17 will include a hot pot supper.

O SUSPENSIONS for misbehaviour have been imposed upon the following players: Ashley Shaw (Nantwich) two games; Hassan Rashid (Heaton Mersey) 3 games; James McCoy (Grappenhall) 2 games. There have been a number of other incidents which are being examined by the Discipline committee.

O FIXTURES are sought for Hertfordshire club Letchworth during an end of season tour. They require games on Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21. Contact is Neston - and former Letchworth) - player Richard Gillham on richardg@paragongroup.uk.com

RedInsure T20 Finals Day line-up

HOLDERS Hyde joined Chester Boughton Hall, Grappenhall and Oxton in the **RedInsure T20 Finals Day** when they won the last of the quarters by 15 runs at Nantwich last Tuesday.

Hyde reached 138-8 thanks a late hitting from Danny Williams, 53 not out. Nantwich replied with 123-7, a total highlighted by a mature, unbeaten 52 by left-hander Ben Johnston who had helped his club win the Cheshire Under 15s Cup the previous week.

QUARTER-FINAL DETAILS:

Chester Boughton Hall beat Toft by 90 runs:

Chester 227-3 (20 overs: L Dixon 83no, M Rowland 79); Toft 137 (17.3 overs: A Bajwa 37, J Killoran 3-12, J. Williams 3-29).

Grappenhall beat Sale by 35 runs:

Grappenhall 205-6 (20 overs: A Roylance 51, J. McClelland 41, J McCoy 33, R. Green 31, B. Watkin 3-39); Sale 170-7 (20 overs: T Lawrence 64).

Nantwich lost to Hyde by 15 runs:

Hyde 138-8 (20 overs: D Williams 54no, O Griffiths 3-21); Nantwich 123-7 (20 overs: B Johnstone 52no).

Oulton Park lost to Oxton by 6 wickets:

Oulton Park 133-6 (20 overs: L Bentley 30, A Money 3-18); Oxton 139-4 (17.4 overs: A Money 53, S. Stokes 52no).

The Finals Day line-up at Chester Boughton Hall on Sunday is:

CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL v OXTON on main ground, 12 noon:

(umpires Jon Hacking & Ankit Jain)

GRAPPENHALL v NANTWICH or HYDE on second ground, 12 noon:

(umpires Dion Kelly & David Moss)

The final will follow after tea at 3.30 p.m.

(umpires: Jain & Kelly)

In the event of rain preventing the final being completed, the clubs will have the alternatives of playing in mid-week, the following Sunday, August 3, a bowl out or a toss of the coin.

The winners will go forward to represent the league in Birmingham in the ECB t20 Area finals on Sunday, August 10 against the T20 champions of the Birmingham & District Premier, North Wales Premier and North Staffs & South Cheshire Premier League.

Sunday will see all four finalists receive prize money provided by the sponsors, while there will be Man of the Match and Champagne Moment awards. Representing the Graham family who donated the Fred Graham Memorial Trophy, Ron Graham will again be travelling from his home in Spain to present the award.

Admission is free, there is ample parking, the bar is open from 12 noon and refreshments will be available throughout the day.

Cheshire match: wickets topple at Bowdon

BOWLERS found the Bowdon pitch to their liking on the opening day of the Cheshire v Wales **Unicorns championship** match on Sunday, when 18 wickets fell for only 313 runs in 113 overs.

Danny Woods regained his best form to help bowl Wales out for 177, taking 6-46, aided by Chester teenager Harry Killoran's 3-43. Cheshire found run-scoring equally difficult and after Rick Moore had been dismissed for a sturdy 43, they closed on 136-8.

The innings closed at 142 all out (debutant Dan Brown 23) on Monday morning, trailing by 35. By noon, Wales were 33-2, or 68 runs ahead, Adam Syddall having taken both wickets.

Cheshire team: Dan Woods (York) captain, Pat Roberts, Rick Moore (Oulton Park), Lee Dixon, Jack Williams, Harry Killoran (Chester), Danny Berry (Hyde), Calum Rowe (Alderley Edge), Rob Jones (Toft), Dan Brown (Cheadle), Adam Syddall (Urmston),

Play was due to continue at 11 a.m. on Monday.

Cheshire Development XI beat Lancashire Under 19s at Sale on first innings on Tuesday and Wednesday last week. Scores: Lancashire 88 (Ben Marsden 4-28) and 190-4; Cheshire 336-6 (Ben Marsden 104, Ollie Law 94).

The Development team meet their Shropshire counterparts at Whitchurch on Thursday, July 24 (11 a.m.)

O Cheshire's Adam Syddall plays for the Unicorns representative team against MCCA at Sidmouth on Friday. It will be his third appearance on the ground in three weeks

Forties groups take shape

CALDY gave Neston a scare before losing by eight runs to the **Over Forties** West group joint leaders on Wednesday last week. Tattenhall Wreckers won comfortably at Oxton and continue to share top spot with Neston, both on 38 points with three games remaining.

There was an upset in the Central group when Alsager lost their first game, by 17 runs away to leaders Toft. This allowed Grappenhall to move closer in third place with a comfortable win at Davenham.

Leaders Marple are assured of a play-off place in the South-East zone after their ninth win in 11 games at Bredbury Saints, who remain favourites for the runners-up spot.

Urmston Tigers stay high and dry at the top of the North-East group, with Cheadle Hulme leading Brooklands and Cheadle for second place.

JULY 16 RESULTS

WEST GROUP

Neston (4 pts.) beat Caldby by 8 runs:

Neston 128-5 (Stimson 33, Brown 30, Donelan 29, Wainwright 2-14); Caldby 120-5 (Brown 30, Laycock 30, Stimson 2-13).

Oxton lost to Tattenhall Wreckers (4 pts.) by 41 runs:

Tattenhall 129-5 (Harper 31, Salt 25, Kumar 2-32); Oxton 88 (Filer 35, Murray 3-27, Harper 2-8, Jones 2-12).

Upton lost to Irby (4 pts.) by 24 runs

Irby 132-6 (De Silva 31, D Newman 30); Upton 108-7 (Warburton 25).

Warrington (4 pts.) beat Chester Boughton Hall by 5 wickets:

Chester 124-3 (Thomas 32); Warrington 125-5 (O'Neil 30, Sleigh 30).

CENTRAL GROUP

Bowdon Vale Vikings (4 pts.) beat Ashley by 10 wickets:

Ashley 92-8 (Corbishley 24, Lloyd 22, Crowson 4-14, Hatton 2-13); Bowdon Vale 96-5 (Webb 33, Dean 32).

Davenham lost to Grappenhall (4 pts.) by 51 runs:

Grappenhall 143-5; Davenham 92-5.

Mobberley lost to Bowdon (4 pts.) by 41 runs:

Bowdon 151-4 (Thompson 33, Sinclair 30); Mobberley 110-8 .

Toft (4 pts.) beat Alsager by 16 runs:

Toft 104-6 (Drummond 23); Alsager 88-9 (Younis 24).

NORTH EAST GROUP:

Alderley Edge Wizards lost to Urmston Tigers (4 pts.) by 7 wickets:

Alderley Edge 88-7 (Wilson 4-16); Urmston 91-3.

Brooklands lost to Sale Silverbacks (4 pts.) by 6 wickets:

Brooklands 110 (Brooks 4-18); Sale 112-4 (Rowe 30, Terry 3-14).

Cheadle (4 pts.) beat Timperley by 10 wickets:

Timperley 73-9 (Dooler 2-8); Cheadle 74-0 (Blood 32, Watkins 32).

Cheadle Hulme (4 pts.) beat Ashton on Mersey by 26 runs:

Cheadle Hulme 144-3 (Oldfield 33, Dane 30); Ashton on Mersey 118-8 (Maltman 3-8).

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SOUTH-EAST GROUP

Bramhall lost to Woodley (4 pts.) vby 5 wickets:

Bramhall 99 (Patel 30, Middleton 4-11); Woodley 101-5 (Middleton 32, Sully 30, Mulligaan 3-12).

Bredbury Saints lost to Marple (4 pts.) by 7 wickets:

Bredbury 108-5 (C Wood 32, Bass 30, Unsworth 2-17, Smith 2-20); Marple 109-3 (Hayward 32, C Bailey 27, Martin 2-20).

Macclesfield (4 pts.) beat Bollington Veterans by 9 wickets:

Bollington 104-7 (Hart 32); Macclesfield 108-1 (Hanaghan 30, Thompson 30).

Poynton Legends (4 pts.) beat Offerton by 22 runs:

Poynton 140-3 (Turnbull 32, Kingham 31, Pollard 2-18); Offerton 118-4 (Smith 35, Kirkham 32)_

Latest tables

<u>West group</u>	P	W	T	C/A	L	PTS.
NESTON	11	9	0	1	1	38
TATTENHALL WRECKERS	11	9	0	1	1	38
IRBY	11	7	0	1	3	30
WARRINGTON	11	6	0	0	5	24
UPTON	11	3	1	2	5	19
OXTON	11	3	0	2	6	16
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	11	2	1	0	8	11
CALDY	11	0	0	1	10	2
<u>Central group</u>						
TOFT	11	10	0	1	0	42
ALSAGER	11	8	0	2	1	36
GRAPPENHALL	11	7	0	2	2	32
DAVENHAM	11	4	0	2	5	20
BOWDON	11	4	0	1	6	18
BOWDON VALE VIKINGS	11	3	0	2	6	16
ASHLEY	11	1	0	1	9	6
MOBBERLEY	11	1	0	1	9	6
<u>North-East group</u>						
URMSTON TIGERS	11	8	0	3	0	38
CHEADLE HULME	11	6	0	2	3	28
BROOKLANDS	11	6	0	1	4	26
CHEADLE	11	5	0	3	3	26
ALDERLEY EDGE WIZARDS	11	4	0	3	4	22
SALE SILVERBACKS	11	4	0	2	5	20
TIMPERLEY	11	1	0	3	7	10
ASHTON ON MERSEY	11	1	0	1	9	6

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South-East group

MARPLE	11	9	0	2	0	40	
BREDBURY SAINTS	11	7	0	2	2	32	
POYNTON LEGENDS	11	6	0	1	4	26	
MACCLESFIELD		11	5	0	2	4	24
BOLLINGTON VETERANS	11	4	0	2	5	20	
BRAMHALL	11	3	0	1	7	14	
OFFERTON	11	2	0	1	8	10	
WOODLEY	11	2	0	1	8	10	

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 FIXTURES (6.15 p.m.)

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

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

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

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

Cheshire Cup delay

THE three remaining **Cheshire Cup** quarter-finals yet to be played are: Urmston v Oxtou; Chester Boughton Hall v Bollington; Macclesfield v Toft.

New Brighton are already through to the last four.

CHESHIRE SHIELD semi-final on Sunday: Warrington 177 lost by five wickets to Ashton on Mersey 175-5.

The other game: Rode & Park & Lawton v Haek Green is on Sunday, July 27.

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Blank day for TACS Cheshire League

ONLY one game started in the First Division of the **TACS Partnership Cheshire League** on Saturday, Hale Barns clinging on for a draw at bottom club Oakmere.

In Division 2 only Barrow v Langley started – they drew - while in Division Three, Alderley Park won at Wirral.

Division 1 results: Oakmere 132-9; Hale Barns 96-9. Cancelled: Chester County Officers v Lindow; Malpas v Stockport Georgians; Mobberley v Bollington; Prestbury v Ashton on Mersey; Runcorn v Romiley.

Up to date placings

1. Mobberley	236 pts.
2. Bollington	219
3. Ashton on Mersey	219
4. Stockport Georgians	216
5. Romiley	213
6. Runcorn	190
7. Malpas	188
8. Prestbury	155
9. Cheshire Co. Officers	133
10. Lindow	122
11. Hale Barns	117
12. Oakmere	111

Division 2 leaders: Disley 233; Barrow 222. Division 3 leaders: Haslington 220; Aston 199.

Division 1 fixtures on Saturday, July 26 (1.30 p.m.): Ashton on Mersey v Runcorn; Bollington v Malpas; Hale Barns v Chester County Officers; Lindow v Prestbury; Romiley v Mobberley; Stockport Georgians v Oakmere

Information provided by TACS chairman Graham Coull.

**LEAGUE FIXTURES & UMPIRES FOR
SATURDAY, JULY 26: Week 15**

ECB Premier League (12.30 p.m.)

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

Neville Kent & Glyn Roberts
Alistair Davies & Chris Smith
Ankit Jain & Steve Walton
Howard Briggs & Phil Prince
Trevor Burnett & U Ged Kinsey
John Lofthouse & Mark Turner

First Division (1 p.m.)

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

David Moss & David Stoter
Brian Boys & Steve Kirkbright
Ron Bedson & Tom Spencer
Neville Abberley & Dion Kelly
Bob Cunningham & Martin Howe
Brian Jones & Rat Prescott

Second Division (1 p.m.)

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

Peter Davies & Clive Rice
David Gane & Simon Smith
Darrin Clark & Ken Simpson
Graham Harris & Wyn Harris
Jon Hacking & Martin Roberts
Tony Morris & Graham Pugh

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

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

Club umpire & David Williams
Paul Herring & club umpire
Don Flanagan & Ken Rothwell
David Goulding & no panel umpire available
Clb umpire & Barrie Burns
*Steve Wilkinson & Ian Wilson

* new umpire Steve Wilkinson: tel. 07771 173 937

FI XTURE MOVED

The First Division fixture on Saturday, August 2 between Oulton Park and Cheadle Hulme has been re-arranged to be played on Sunday, August 10 by mutual agreement.

There is a large CarFest at the nearby Oulton Park racetrack on the original date.

2015 HANDBOOK: MAJOR CHANGES PLANNED

LEAGUE Deputy chairman Brian Boys writes as follows:

“Many people will already know that after almost 40 years of tremendous service to the League, Mike Talbot-Butler is stepping down as Editor of the annual Handbook.

Partly to reflect how difficult it would be to find a direct replacement for Mike and also to reflect increasing demand for access to information on-line, we have decided to take a new direction.

The Handbook will become a smaller publication primarily containing information required for the current season. We feel that the vast majority of the historic and archive information should be transferred on line.

Consequently, we are looking for an enthusiastic volunteer, with reasonable technology skills, to join us to take these plans further. The precise skillset is flexible as the solution can be made to fit the knowledge of any volunteer, but we do need people with software development experience. Obviously, if you are an experienced professional keen to get involved you are the right person, but the role will also equally suit a gifted amateur, or student looking for an IT Design diploma.

Spring, 2015 is the next publication date, so we need a person - or persons - who can give us time as soon as possible.

If you are interested, and / or would like more information please contact David Vallance: tel. 07889 495 076; e-mail d_v_cccl@ntlworld.com “

10 Years Ago

From the Newsletter of July 24, 2004

BOWDON routed unbeaten Premier League leaders Oulton Park for 23 at South Downs road, the lowest total in the League's 30 years history. Destroyers were Guy Emmett, with 4-8 and Steve Yates, who took 3-0 off 11 successive maiden overs in 75 minutes. Bowdon had batted first and totalled 145-9, Jon Gray 36.

CHRISTLETON's Maroof Khan hit a six off the last ball to claim victory over Bramhall in the First Division. Strangely, Bramhall had done the same to Christleton when the teams met earlier in the season.

TWENTY-FOUR hours later, Christleton lost at home to Cotswold League visitors Exhall & Wixford in the quarter-final of the National Village championship. Ben Briscoe took 5-38

CHESHIRE tied their second successive game in the National 50 Plus championship against Lancashire at Crompton, but Lancashire qualified for a play-off spot through losing fewer wickets. This was hard luck for Mike Fell who a magical bowling spell of 9-7-2-3.

BREDBURY ST. MARK's suffered a second serious incident of theft and vandalism at their Hillside roads ground. Chairman Bert Critchley reported that the scoreboard had been badly damaged with number plates stolen. The previous week, intruders had stolen £1,000 of bar stock and left a trail of destruction in the pavilion Other clubs in the Stockport area were warned to be on their guard.

Gary puts his foot in it ...

UPTON veteran Gary Dixon is never averse to a little publicity, so he will surely not mind the following anecdote tendered by umpires Brian Boys and Bob Cunningham following the Upton v Stockport match on Saturday. They recount:

“It was raining as 1 pm approached and Gary Dixon came to us and said, that, as we were presumably not starting on time he was going to the nearby McDonald's for a coffee. Could he get us one? We declined and suggested that we thought it would be about 20 minutes before we began the match. He set off and almost immediately the weather relented, the covers were off, the toss was made and Upton elected to field. As we prepared for the first ball, Gary shouts from the boundary asking to come on: he was completely disheveled with only one boot on and complaining that he had to leave his burger and coffee in the changing room. Hardly the entrance of a fit and well-prepared athlete?

In fairness to him, he put in an impressive stint in the field with some good stops on the boundary which belied his years. He also had Stockport's Josh Manning dropped in the gully before he went on to score a match winning century, a costly miss. Thanks for the smiles, Gary”.