

**2014 NEWSLETTER NO. 10: SATURDAY, JUNE 21**

First defeat for Hyde – yet lead grows to 31 points

HYDE suffered their first **ECB Premiership** defeat since August 3 last season when Urmston beat them by two wickets at Werneth Low on Saturday, but with Marple and Grappenhall both losing, their closest challengers are now second-placed Chester Boughton Hall - 31 points behind.

Fast improving Urmston made it four wins in five after restricting Hyde to 238 after the home side had slumped to 91-6 and 135-7 before fine late knocks of 78 from Danny Williams and 42 by Ben Allcock. Urmston's bowling star was again teenage leg spinner Matt Parkinson with his best league figures of 8-86.

Urmston replied with 241-8 with eight overs to spare, Chris Turner's 78 batting at six proving the key innings.

Champions Chester jumped up from fifth to second with a victory of 201 runs – one of the biggest on record - at home to Marple. Mark Rowland, 93 and Jordan Clark, 75 led Chester to a mammoth 280-5 before a declaration came after 52 overs, Andy Greasley toiling manfully to return 4-82. Marple's reply lasted just 24 overs as they were rolled over by in-form leg-spinner Jack Williams, who took 6-15 to follow up his 5-1 in a RedInsure T20 game two days earlier at Northwich.

Livingstone has game to remember

Grappenhall lost by seven wickets at home to Nantwich – or rather to Liam Livingstone who had a day to remember. The Lancashire starlet took 7-114 including a hat-trick to help dismiss Grappers for 160, Adam Roylance 45. Then he lead the Dabbers' charge to 184-3 with a classy 88 to earn his team full points for only the third time this summer..

The Wirral derby clash between Neston and Oxton resulted in 25 crucial points for the Parkgate team, by a margin of 71 runs. Put in, Neston totalled 184, Luke Camden 52, David Hurst 42, Glenn Querl collecting an impressive 7-64. Oxton responded with 113 all out, Alex Money, 49 and Graham Cashin, 31 batting well, but not so their colleagues against Paul Stimson, 4-22 and Richard Wilkinson, 4-29. Neston stay in 11th spot, but Oxton are now 36 points clear the bottom and with the half-way mark approaching next week-end they still have to win a match.

There were two drawn games, Jonny Gray dominating Bowdon's 15 – 7 points share with Alderley Edge at South Downs Road with a fine innings of 120 to bring back memories of his days at the league's best batsman. He and Nick Murrills, 52, put on 137 for the fifth wicket as Bowdon rattled up 231-7, Simon O'Brien 4-80. Alderley replied with 207-9. Mark Currie 74, Chris Ashling 4-66.

Toft emerged with a 14 – 6 points advantage from their visit to Bramhall after posting 230-8, Jason Hancock 97, Simon Wilkinson 5-69. Bramhall reached 175-7, the consistent Matt Begbie 67, Rob Jones 4-20.

Fire damages Christleton pavilion

A FIRE has severely damaged the interior of the Christleton pavilion and is set to cause inconvenience to players and spectators for most of the remainder of the season.

Chairman Mike Hollindale reports that a blaze late on Saturday, June 7 resulted in the virtual gutting of the bar and lounge areas, with the women's toilets also gutted

"Smoke damage was extensive, but we can still use the dressing-rooms and will do our best to accommodate all cricketers in the weeks to follow. It depends on talks with the fire assessors what we can repair but in the meantime we ask for all our visitors to be sympathetic; we shall do our best to accommodate them in the usual hospitable Christleton manner".

The team's form remains a problem with 10th place in **Division One** occupied after Saturday's crushing nine wickets defeat at Middlewich. Christleton scored 190, Ben Patterson 90, but Middlewich – winners of only one previous game – replied with a remarkable 191-1, Kristian Clowes, 121 and James Cornford, 62, adding an unbroken 167 runs for the second wicket.

At the other end of the table, leaders Cheadle continued on their way with their seventh win at the expense of bottom club Brooklands, who were dismissed for 158, Kevin Renecke 53, Paul Sperring 5-40. Cheadle responded with 160-3, Chris Moore 64 not out.

This gives them a 28 points advantage over Didsbury, whose skipper Nick Anderson had another fine game against Timperley. Beaten for the first time the previous week, Timperley mustered 176, Matt Macquet 39, Simon Normanton 4-47, Anderson 3-46. Didsbury picked these off with 179-6 in 33 overs and there was no stopping the batsman Anderson with an unbeaten 91.

Macclesfield recorded victory in a remarkably high scoring game at Davenham after declaring on 299-7, skipper Nick Ross 122 and Jack Ward 76 enjoying a century-plus stand. Davenham also batted well, notably Kendal Fleming 76, Dave Price, 41 and Mark Greaves, 38, but it was Ian Tate, 3-52, who eventually tipped the tables as Davenham were bowled out for 256 in the 53rd over

Oulton Park are on the rise, their latest win being by nine wickets at the expense of Sale who mustered 182, Chris Canning 47, Andy Hards 4-47. Park replied with 183-1 in just 26 overs anchored by Cheshire's Rick Moore, 77 not out, with big hitting Tom Hyslop (55 off 36 balls) and Lou Bentley, 44 not out, also weighing in.

Like Brooklands, Widnes still seek their first win, although there was merit in their four wickets defeat at Cheadle Hulme. Sean Moore scored 95 and Danny Naughton 44 in Widnes' decent tally of 220, Rana Malook 4-87. But their bowlers had no answer to the quality batting of Jordan Potts, 76 and Sam Leech, 41 not out as the Grove Park men won by four wickets.

WEAVERHAM TOP DIVISION 2

WEAVERHAM confirmed their right to keep top spot in **Division Two** with a 86 runs win at Heaton Mersey, with Antiguan all rounder Wilden Cornwall proving their key man. He hit exactly 100 out of 258, to which 'Mersey replied with 172, that man Cornwall claiming 4-40.

Warrington did themselves a good turn with their second win, by four wickets at Congleton, with Kyle Adams the key man (6-61 and 35 not out).

Stockport continue to look threatening and were eight wickets too good for wooden spoonists Poynton at Cale Green. Tom Facer, 5-21 and Josh Manning 65 not out were their stars, with overseas batsman Paul Lombardi's 54 a bright spot for the losers.

Upton are another side on the rise, beating Bredbury by five wickets at Old Greasby Road, thanks largely to Graeme Keenan, 5-47 and Matt Ingram, 62 not out

Alvanley outpointed Northwich 14-7 in a high scoring draw on their delightful ground at the edge of Delamere Forest, scoring 240-7 with 105 not out from Jon Suckley and 69 by Mark Rowlands, Sam Shepherd being restricted to the modest figures of 3-65. Northwich showed improved batting to total 197-8, Glyn Charian 59 and James Plant 49 not out, while Rowlands completed a good day with 3-60.

Tattenhall beat Irby by four wickets at The Flacca after restricting their visitors to 198, David Shewring 6-38. Stuart Sadler top scored with a fine 96 in Tatters' successful reply.

SATURDAY'S SCORELINES

ECB Premiership

BOWDON (won toss, 15 pts.) drew with ALDERLEY EDGE (7 pts.)

Bowdon 231-7 (55 overs: J Gray 120, N Murrills 52, S O'Brien 4-80);
Alderley Edge 207-9 (55 overs: M Currie 74, A Day 30, C.Ashling 4-66, G Edwards 3-66).

BRAMHALL (6 pts.) drew with TOFT (toss, 14 pts.)

Toft 230-8 (55 overs: J Hancock 97, R. Jones 32, S Wilkinson 5-69);
Bramhall 175-7 (55 overs: M Begbie 67, R Jones 4-20).

CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL (toss, 25 pts.) beat MARPLE (2 pts.) by 201 runs:

Chester 280-5 dec. (52 overs: M Rowlands 93, J Clark 75, W Goodwin 44, O. Law 38, A Greasley 4-82);
Marple 79 (24 overs: J Morgan 23, J. Williams 6-25).

GRAPPENHALL (toss, 5 pts.) lost to NANTWICH (25 pts.) by 7 wickets

Grappenhall 180 (47 overs: A Roylance 45, L. Livingstone 7-114 including hat-trick);
Nantwich 184-3 (34 overs: L.Livingstone 88, R. Cook-Sievwright 39no, F Farrington 30).

HYDE (toss, 11 pts.) lost to URMSTON (25 pts.) by 2 wickets

Hyde 238 (54 overs: D. Williams 78, B. Allcock 42, D. Berry 48, M Parkinson 8-86);
Urmston 241-8 (48 overs: Chris Turner 78, Calum Turner 41, M Hanna 3-58).

NESTON (235 pts.) beat OXTON (toss, 4 pts.) by 71 runs

Neston 184 (54 overs: L Camden 52, D. Hurst 42, C. Querl 7-64, G. Fernando 3-80);
Oxon 113 (overs: A. Money 49, G Cashin 31, P Stimson 4-21, R Wilkinson 4-29).

Division 1

CHEADLE (25 pts.) beat BROOKLANDS (won toss, 5 pts.) by 7 wickets

Brooklands 158 (50 overs: K Renecke 63, J Bagshaw 30, P. Sperring 5-40, A. Wadsworth 3-33);
Cheadle 159-3 (38 overs: C. Moore 64no, N Reid 38).

CHEADLE HULME (toss, 25 pts.) beat WIDNES (10 pts.) by 4 wickets:

Widnes 220 (49 overs: S. Moore 95, D Naughton 44, R Malook 4-87)
Cheadle Hulme 221-6 (49.1 overs: J. Potts 76. S Leech 41no).

DAVENHAM (toss, 7 pts.) lost to MACCLESFIELD (25 pts.) by 143 runs:

Macclesfield 299-7 dec. (44 overs: N Ross 122, J Ward 76, D. Hancock 3-77)
Davenham 256 (53 overs: K. Fleming 76, D. Price 41, M Greaves 38, I Tait 3-52).

DIDSBURY (25 pts.) beat TIMPERLEY (8 pts.) by 4 wickets:

Timperley 176 (50 overs: M Macquet 39, D Stringer 47, S. Normanton 4-47, N. Anderson 3-46);
Didsbury 179-6 (37 overs: N. Anderson 91no, C Grindley 3-34).

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Division 1 results continued ...

MIDDLEWICH (25 pts.) beat CHRISTLETON (6 pts.) by 9 wickets

Christleton 190 (50 overs: B Patterson 90, M. Astbury 32, S Bliss 5-31, J Gibbens 3-87)

Middlewich 191-1 (31 overs: K Clowes 121no, J Cornford 62no = 167* for 2nd wicket).

OULTON PARK (toss, 25 pts.) beat SALE (6 pts.) by 9 wickets:

Sale 182 (48 overs: C Canning 41, M Barrington-Smith 31, A. Hards 4-47, T. Hyslop 3-11);

Oulton Park 183-1 (26 overs: R. Moore 77no, T Hyslop 55, L Bentley 44no).

Division 2

ALVANLEY (won toss, 14 pts.) drew with NORTHWICH (7 pts.)

Alvanley 240-7 (50 overs: J Suckley 105no, M Rowlands 69, A Bennion 33, S. Shepherd 3-65);

Northwich 197-8 (50 overs: G Cherian 69, C Plant 49no, S. Stoneley 35, M Rowlands 3-60).

CONGLETON (8 pts.) lost to WARRINGTON (toss, 25 pts.) by 4 wickets

Congleton 178-9 (50 overs: D Moore 40, J. Wilshaw 38, K Adams 6-61);

Warrington 181-6 (48 overs: C. Kirby 62, J Rudd 42, K Adams 35no, D. Moores 4-24,)

HEATON MERSEY (toss, 7 pts.) lost to WEAVERHAM (25 pts.) by 86 runs:

Weaverham 258 (45 overs: W Cornwall 100, T. Lightfoot 57, M. Khan 3-50);

Heaton Mersey 172 (33 overs: J Ainscough 33, H Singh 33, W. Cornwall 4-46).

STOCKPORT (25 pts.) beat POYNTON (toss, 2 pts) by 8 wickets

Poynton 119 (38 overs: P Lombardi 54, T Facer 5-21);

Stockport 120-2 (27 overs: J Manning 65no, T Kidd 33.)

TATTENHALL (toss, 25 pts.) beat IRBY (8 pts.) by 4 wickets

Irby 198 (50 overs: D Gulliver 49, D Newman 45, D Shewring 6-58);

Tattenhall 202-6 (48 overs: S Sadler 96, I Richards 31no).

UPTON (toss, 25 pts.) beat BREDBURY ST. MARK's (5 pts.) by 6 wickets

Bredbury 152 (50 overs: J. Barber 69, G Keegan 5-47, G Dixon 3-55);

Upton 152-4 (38 overs: M Ingram 61no, A. Beacher 41no, D. Warburton 40).

National walk over for Bowdon

BOWDON were given a bye through the Group 5 final in the **National Club knock out** on Sunday when opponents Prestwich withdrew, having been instructed to fulfil a Lancashire County League cup match.

Bowdon now go through to play Lancashire League club Chorley in round 6 on July 19.

Latest tables all played 10 games

ECB Premier League	Won	Tied	WD	RD	LD	A/C	Lost	Bat	Bowl	Pts.
	(25)	(16)	(3)	(2)	(1)	(7)				
HYDE	6	0	0	0	0	3	1	8	3	182
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	5	0	0	0	0	2	3	4	8	151
MARPLE	5	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	10	150
*ALDERLEY EDGE (3)	4	0	0	0	1	3	2	13	9	141
GRAPPENHALL	5	0	0	0	0	1	4	6	2	140
URMSTON	4	0	1	0	0	2	3	9	14	140
TOFT	3	0	2	0	1	1	3	34	11	134
BOWDON	3	0	1	0	0	2	4	12	14	118
* BRAMHALL (3)	3	0	0	0	1	3	3	6	15	115
NANTWICH	3	0	0	1	0	2	4	12	4	107
NESTON	2	0	0	0	2	1	5	12	18	89
OXTON	0	0	1	0	0	1	8	26	17	53

* Points deducted for slow over rates

First Division	Won	Tied	WD	RD	LD	A/C	Lost	Bat	Bowl	Pts.
CHEADLE	7	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	196
DIDSBURY	5	0	1	1	0	3	0	9	8	168
TIMPERLEY	4	0	0	1	1	2	2	17	9	143
MACCLESFIELD	4	0	0	1	1	2	2	15	11	143
DAVENHAM	4	0	0	0	0	3	3	12	7	140
OULTON PARK	4	0	0	0	1	2	3	11	10	136
CHEADLE HULME	4	0	0	0	0	2	4	8	6	128
SALE	3	0	1	0	1	3	2	15	8	123
MIDDLEWICH	2	0	1	0	0	2	5	22	13	102
CHRISTLETON	2	0	1	0	0	2	5	22	11	100
WIDNES	0	0	1	1	0	2	6	47	15	81
BROOKLANDS	0	0	0	0	1	2	7	19	12	46

Second Division	Won	Tied	WD	RD	LD	A/C	Lost	Bat	Bowl	Pts.
WEAVERHAM	5	0	2	0	1	1	1	16	15	170
ALVANLEY	4	0	2	1	1	2	0	22	8	153
STOCKPORT	4	0	1	1	2	2	0	16	9	146
NORTHWICH	4	0	0	1	1	3	1	9	9	142
UPTON	4	0	0	0	0	1	5	20	10	137
TATTENHALL	2	0	4	0	1	2	1	32	18	127
BREDBURY ST. MARK'S	3	0	0	0	1	2	4	9	12	111
*WARRINGTON (3)	2	1	1	0	1	2	3	15	13	109
CONGLETON	3	0	0	1	0	1	5	9	11	104
* HEATON MERSEY (4)	2	1	0	0	0	3	4	6	11	100
IRBY	2	0	0	0	1	1	6	16	19	93
POYNTON	1	0	0	0	1	2	6	5	14	59

* Points deducted for slow over rates.

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Bowdon's Tully wins April / May award

BOWDON pace bowler Matt Tully, an 18 year old student at Manchester Grammar School, has won the League's Best Performance award for April & May following a vote by the Cricket Committee at their June meeting.

Tully took 6-6 including a hat-trick in an ECB Premier League game against Oxton at South Downs Road on Saturday, May 3. He wins Canterbury Sports' £50 voucher and certificate, to be presented at a future home game.

O WITH some clubs still experiencing problems with the latest scoring technology, John O'Neill and David Vallance are to circulate a comprehensive training guide which will be circularised via secretary Geoff Wellstead.

Clubs are urged to allow use of the newly-distributed tablets to be used lower down the chain, not merely for 1st XI games.

O THE widely advertised National Cricket survey attracted 520 Cheshire 'hits' during the period June 1 -18. Of this total 360 were from players and 150 from Cheshire County League sources.

Players, officials and anyone else interested in the development of the game is urged to make his or her views known via the website which can be entered via **ecb.co.uk/playingsurvey2014**.

O CHESHIRE County Cricket Club have approached the League with a request to start games involving their players an hour early on Saturday, July 14. This would enable them to meet a coach to travel down to Sidmouth that evening prior to the following day's Unicorns knock out semi-final against Devon. The fixtures involved are Chester v Bramhall; Hyde v Neston; Toft v Urmston; Middlewich v Didsbury; Oulton Park v Davenham. Both will have to agree before an earlier start is confirmed.

O CLUBS are urged to be cautious of entries made on Facebook and not to allow anything hyper critical of umpires and/or other clubs to appear. One club has apologised and removed an item following a complaint.

No double header to end season

O THE cancellation of all 1st and 2nd XI fixtures on Saturday, May 24 will not result in a wholesale re-arrangement at the end of the season, as was initially proposed. Members are in favour of a motion covering such an event in future being considered at the November management meeting.

O LEAGUE knock out Final Days have all been confirmed: 1st XI RedInsure T20 is at Upton on Sunday, July 27; 2nd XI RedInsure at Neston on Sunday, August 20; 3rd XI Jack Gardner at Urmston on Sunday, August 31; Over 40s at Chester on Late Summer Bank Holiday, August 27. The League have received a generous supply of free Lord's pink balls for use in these finals.

O THE Mid-Season meeting of the League Umpires & Scorers Association planned for Toft on Monday, June 30 has been cancelled due to insufficient business.

O DISCIPLINE in the League has improved this season with only one player suspended up to Saturday, June 17.

O GROUNDS chairman John Bygate has congratulated clubs on the high standard of pitches and especially outfielders so far this season.

O WEBSITE administrator Darren Sutcliffe is severely critical of clubs who are failing to meet their requirements to post all match results accurately and on time in line with the new regulations.

He says fines will be strictly enforced and plans to issue a detailed statement in a future *Newsletter*

Saturday, June 14 pitch reports

ECB Premier League:

Alderley Edge v Grappenhall: pitch 16; outfield 20

Marple v Neston: 16 – 20;

Nantwich v Hyde: 12 – 20;

Toft v Bowdon: 16 – 20;

Oxton v Bramhall: 15 – 20;

Urmston v Chester 19 – 20

First Division:

Brooklands v Cheadle Hulme: 17 – 18;

Christlerton v Davenham 18 – 20;

Macclesfield v Didsbury 18 – 18;

Sale v Middlewich 15 – 18;

Timperley v Cheadle 14 – 20;

Widnes v Oulton Park 18 – 19;

Second Division:

Bredbury v Tattenhall 18 – 19;

Irby v Heaton Mersey 15 – 19;

Northwich v Congleton 11 – 18;

Poynton v Upton 15 – 16;

Warrington v Stockport : 16 – 19

Weaverham v Alvanley: 16 – 19.

All umpires reports were received by Ken Spilsbury.

Groundsmen alerted

CHESHIRE Association of Groundsmen chairman Nick James issues an alert to all member clubs about an important development concerning Kaloam, which is widely used on cricket squares.

He directs clubs to the Association website www.cag.org.uk for further information which he says will be to their benefit. Alternatively, members can contact himself or his colleague Paul Agar direct

Nick plans to stand down as CAG chairman at the autumn AGM and a successor is being sought.

Two Cheshire debutants

MAKING debuts in the **Unicorns county championship** for Cheshire in their 3-day match against Cornwall at Alderley Edge on Sunday were two players who have impressed in the Premier League this season, underlining the depth of talent available.

They were England Under 19 and Lancashire Academy all rounder Robert Jones from Toft and Bramhall's Vishal Tripathi, who has played for the Unicorns and Northants. Not available for various reasons were Warren Goodwin, James Duffy, Chris Tipper, Ashley Davis and Jack Williams.

Both new men played a part in Cheshire's above par tally of 280-9 achieved off the statutory 90 overs, scoring 25 and 16 respectively. The best innings of the day came from Oulton Park's prolific Rick Moore, who followed his match winning ton in the knock out game against Herefordshire seven days earlier with a fine 122. Next highest scorer was Calum Rowe (Alderley Edge), 47. Cornwall replied with a solid 51-1 off 21 overs by the close, Adam Syddall taking 1-7 off five.

When play resumed on Monday. Cornwall were bowled out for 158, Harry Killoran 5-64, Danny Woods 3-36 to trail by 132 runs. The game ends on Tuesday.

O Cheshire field a Development XI in a two day game against Durham Academy at Brandon on Wednesday and Thursday this week, June 25 and 26 (11 a.m. daily).

Williams takes 4 in 4 in T20

CHESTER Boughton Hall's Cheshire leg-spinner Jack Williams took four wickets in four balls in a 5-1 return at Northwich to help his side qualify for the quarter-finals of the **RedInsure T20**. Williams claimed 5-1 off seven deliveries as Northwich were routed for 48.

Holdings Hyde, Oxton and Toft are also through, with the four remaining places to be resolved on Thursday.

Cheadle Hulme and Widnes conceded their games at home to Marple and at Upton respectively as they could not raise teams (on an England World Cup night). They thus fall foul of the new £50 penalty, plus disqualification next season.

Quarter-finals draw to date: Group 2 winners v **Oxton; Chester Boughton Hall v Toft**; Group 6 winners v Group 4 winners; Group 8 winners v **Hyde**. Games on Sunday, July 6, Thursday, July 10 or Sunday, July 13.

RESULTS

GROUP 1:

NORTHWICH lost to CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL (2 pts.) by 9 wickets:

Northwich 48 (14 overs: M Walker 20, J. Williams 5-1, H. Killoran 2-6); Chester 52-1 (8 overs: O Law 24no, R. Dixon 20no).

WARRINGTON lost to DAVENHAM (2 pts.) by 5 wickets:

Warrington 116 (20 overs); Davenham 118-5 (14 overs).

GROUP 3:

CHEADLE HULME v MARPLE (2 pts.) Match conceded by Cheadle Hulme.

HYDE (2 pts.) beat STOCKPORT by 7 wickets:

Stockport 100-9 (20 overs: K Riley 3-16); Hyde 101-3 (12 overs: D Williams 27).

GROUP 5:

IRBY lost to OXTON (2 pts.) by 4 wickets:

Upton 94-5 (20 overs); Oxton 85-6 (overs).

UPTON (2 pts.) v WIDNES. Match conceded by Widnes.

GROUP 8

DIDSBURY (2 pts.) beat POYNTON by 8 wickets:

Poynton 92 (overs: D. Boorman 4-7); Didsbury 95-2 (10 overs: P Critchley 45).

TOFT (2 pts.) beat Bredbury St. Mark's by 75 runs:

Toft 181-4 (20 overs: J Hancock 73, J Drummond 46); Bredbury 106-7 (20 overs: C Smith 23).

T20 fixtures & umpires: Thursday, June 26

GROUP 2:

ALVANLEY v NESTON

Alistair Davies & Ken Rothwell

TATTENHALL v OULTON PARK

Barrie Burns & Ged Kinsey

GROUP 4:

ALDERLEY EDGE v SALE

Graham Harris & Martin Roberts

BRAMHALL v TIMPERLEY

Neville Abberley & Simon Smith

GROUP 6:

CHEADLE v BROOKLANDS (at Brooklands)

Nigel Simms and Dion Kelly

GRAPPENHALL v URMSTON

Brian Boys & Jon Hacking

GROUP 8:

MACCLESFIELD v NANTWICH

John Lowe & Gary Zimmer

MIDDLEWICH v CONGLETON

Peter Davies & Graham Pugh

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T20 tables to June 19

GROUP 1	P	W	C/Ab	L	PTS.
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	3	2	1	0	5 (9.39 runs per over)
DAVENHAM	3	2	1	0	3 (6.89 runs per over)
NORTHWICH	3	1	0	2	2
WARRINGTON	3	0	0	3	0
GROUP 2					
OULTON PARK	2	2	0	0	4
TATTENHALL	2	1	1	0	3
NESTON	2	0	1	1	1
ALVANLEY	2	0	0	2	0
GROUP 3					
HYDE	3	2	1	0	5
STOCKPORT	3	2	0	1	4
MARPLE	3	1	1	1	3
CHEADLE HULME	3	0	0	3	0
GROUP 4					
SALE	2	2	0	0	4
BRMHALL	2	1	0	1	2
ALDERLEY EDGE	2	0	1	1	1
TIMPERLEY	2	0	1	1	1
GROUP 5					
OXTON	3	3	0	0	6
UPTON	3	2	0	1	4
WIDNES	3	1	0	2	2
IRBY	3	0	0	3	0
GROUP 6					
URMSTON	2	2	0	0	4
CHEADLE	2	1	0	1	2
GRAPPENHALL	2	1	0	1	2
BROOKLANDS	2	0	0	2	0
GROUP 7					
TOFT	3	3	0	0	6
DIDSBURY	3	2	0	1	4
BREDBURY ST. MARK'S	3	0	1	2	1
POYNTON	3	0	1	2	1
GROUP 8					
NANTWICH	2	2	0	0	4
MIDDLEWICH	2	1	0	1	2
CONGLETON	2	0	1	1	1
MACCLESFIELD	2	0	1	1	1

Half-way in Forties

THE half-way stage was reached in a stop-start **Over 40s section** season in glorious weather last Wednesday.

All fixtures but one was played, Alsager again having the frustration of being notified about yet another conceded game, this time by Ashley.

In West group unbeaten Neston and Tattenhall Wreckers are favourites for the top spots and they meet this week.

Toft lead luckless Alsager by two points in the Central Group, where there is still plenty to play for.

Alderley Edge Wizards and holders Urmston Tigers are both unbeaten in the North-East group where Timperley registered their first victory since returning to the fold.

In the South-East group Marple have taken the lead for the first time and Offerton won their first game at the expense of Woodley.

JUNE 18 RESULTS

WEST GROUP

Itby (4 pts.) beat Caldy by 44 runs:

Irbv 143-5 (Jones 30, D. Newman 30, Mahi 26); Caldy 99-7 (Mellor 30, Laycock 27).

Oxton lost to Neston (4 pts.) by 32 runs:

Neston 114 (Brown 29, Beaver 26, Kumar 2-26, Quadoi 2-28); Oxton 82 (Money 18, Stimson 2-9, Yardley 2-13, Brown 2-20).

Chester Boughton Hall lost to Tattenhall Wreckers (4 pts.) by 2 runs:

Tattenhall 145-5 (Hope 31, Kettle 30, Gillson 3-35); Chester 143-2 (Harper 33, Thomas 32, Gillson 31, Robinson 31).

Warrington (4 pts.) beat Upton by 25 runs:

Warrington 132-5 (O'Neill 32, Mendhen 30, Sleight 24, Owen 3-16); Upton 103-7 (Jarvis 29, Gilbert 4-10, Boatema 2-19).

CENTRAL: GROUP

Alsager (4 pts.) v Ashley conceded.

Bowdon lost to Grappenhall (4 pts.) by 9 wickets:

Bowdon 108-8 (Pickup 30, Wernham 3-13); Grappenhall 109-1 (Newell 30, Sharp 34).

Bowdon Vale Vikings (4 pts.) beat Mobberley by 8 wickets:

Mobberley 97-5 (Johnson 31, Leech 30, Crowson 2-10); Bowdon Vale 102-2 (Dean 31, Jordan 24, Thorpe 22, Alan 2-15).

Toft (4 pts.) beat Davenham by 7 wickets:

Davenham 92-5 (Jones 36, Elwood 2-14); Toft 94-3 (Sheldon 30, Locke 25).

NORTH EAST GROUP:

Brooklands v Cheadle Hulme: no result received

Sale Silverbacks lost to Alderley Edge Wizards (4 pts.) by 6 runs:

Alderley Edge 149-5 (Chow 31, Clarke 25, Hutchinson 29); Sale 143-5 (Rowe 33, Harrop 33, Hanrahan 29, Hutchinson 3-13).

Timperley (4 pts.) beat Ashton on Mersey by 8 wickets:

Ashton on Mersey 97-8 (Gunn 30, Brazendale 29, Spencer 4-16, Maddocks 3-10); Timperley 90-2 (Velaskan 30, Matthews 30).

Urmston Tigers (4 pts.,) beat Cheadle by 6 wickets:

Cheadle 94-7 (Watkins 30, Sethi 3-9); Urmston 95-4 (Higginbottom 32, Fenton 31).

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SOUTH-EAST GROUP

Macclesfield (4 pts.) beat Bramhall by 5 wickets:

Bramhall 113-6 (Addy 30, Driscoll 29, Bradley 2-21); Macclesfield 115-6 (Tony Moores 31, Jacklin 30).

Marple (4 pts.) beat Bollington Veterans by 47 runs:

Marple 155-6 (Heywood 33, Bradley 33, Littler 29); Bollington 108 (Spray 30, Aldridge 22, Smith 3-12).

Poynton Legends (4 pts.) beat Bradbury Saints by 9 runs:

Poynton 110-7 (Berzins 28, Usher 3-28); Bredbury 101-8 (Usher 20, Bell 3-19, Saddington 2-12, Bowden 2-30).

Woodley lost to Offerton (4 pts.) by 3 wickets:

Woodley 82-7 (Parry 26, Middleton 24, Martin 4-9); Offerton 82-7 (Ryland 21, Middleton 4-8).

Latest tables

<u>West group</u>	P	W	C/A	L	PTS.
NESTON	7	6	1	0	26
TATTENHALL WRECKERS	7	5	1	1	22
IRBY	7	4	1	2	18
WARRINGTON	7	4	0	3	16
UPTON	7	2	2	3	12
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	7	2	0	5	8
OXTON	7	1	2	4	8
CALDY	7	0	1	6	2

Central group

TOFT	7	6	1	0	26
ALSAGER	7	5	2	0	24
GRAPPENHALL	7	4	2	1	20
BOWDON VALE VIKINGS	7	2	2	3	12
DAVENHAM	7	2	2	3	12
BOWDON	7	2	1	4	10
ASHLEY	7	1	1	5	6
MOBBERLEY	7	0	1	6	2

North-East group

ALDERLEY EDGE WIZARDS	7	4	3	0	22
URMSTON TIGERS	7	4	3	0	22
* BROOKLANDS	6	3	1	2	14
* CHEADLE HULME	6	2	2	2	12
SALE SILVERBACKS	7	2	2	3	12
CHEADLE	7	1	3	3	10
TIMPERLEY	7	1	3	3	10
ASHTON ON MERSEY	7	1	1	5	6

* Missing result

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South-East group

MARPLE	7	5	2	0	24
POYNTON LEGENDS	7	5	1	1	22
BREDBURY SAINTS	7	4	2	1	20
MACCLESFIELD	7	3	2	2	16
BOLLINGTON VETERANS	7	2	2	3	12
BRAMHALL	7	2	1	4	10
OFFERTON	7	1	1	5	6
WOODLEY	7	0	1	6	2

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25 FIXTURES (6.15 p.m.)

WEST GROUP: Caldy v Oxton; Chester Boughton Hall v Upton; Irby v Warrington; Tattenhall Wreckers v Neston

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

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

SOUTH-EAST GROUP: Bollington Veterans v Bramhall; Offerton v Bredbury Saints; Maple v Poynton Legends; Woodley v Macclesfield.

Cheshire Cup fixtures

REMAINING third round games in the **Cheshire Cup**, all to be played on Sunday, June 29, are:

Timperley v Urmston; Chester Boughton Hall (holders) v Alderley Edge; Didsbury v Macclesfield; Hyde v New Brighton.

Draw for the quarter-finals on Sunday, July 27 is: Timperley or Urmston v Oxton; Chester or Alderley Edge v Bollington; Didsbury or Marple v Toft; Hyde or New Brighton v Brooklands.

SHIELD ROUND 2 DRAW (Sunday, June 29): Ashton on Mersey v Cheadle; Disley v Warrington; Northwich v Rode Park & Lawton; Hawk Green v Ashley.

Information provided by competition organiser Barrie Burns.

TACS Cheshire League update

LEADERS Stockport Georgians lost again, this time to Romiley and have had their lead cut to five points by Mobberley in the First Division of the **TACS Partnership Cheshire Cricket League**.

Division 1 results: Chester CO 77 Mobberley 309-3 dec.; Hale Barns 156-9 Ashton on Mersey 169-9 dec.; Lindow 124 Runcorn 148; Oakmere 168-9 Malpas 199-4 dec.; Prestbury 188 Bollington 189-5; Stockport Georgians 161-8 Romiley 164-8. Latest placings:

1. Stockport Georgians	178 pts.
2. Mobberley	170
3. Ashton on Mersey	169
4. Romiley	168
5. Bollington	158
6. Runcorn	141
7. Malpas	129
8. Hale Barns	88
9. Prestbury	87
10. Oskmere	83
11. CCO	81
12. Lindow	68.

Division 1 fixtures on Saturday, June 28 (1.30 p.m.): Ashton on Mersey v Stockport Georgians; Malpas v Chester County Officers; Mobberley v Lindow; Oakmere v Prestbury; Romiley v Bollington; Runcorn v Hale Barns.

Information provided by Cheshire League chairman Graham Coull.

**LEAGUE FIXTURES & UMPIRES
FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 28: WEEK 11**

ECB Premier League (12.30 p.m.)

MARPLE v HYDE	Ged Kinsey & Chris Smith
NANTWICH v BOWDON	Alistair Dauies & Glyn Roberts
NESTON v BRAMHALL	Dion Kelly & Steve Walton
OXTON v CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	Ian Greensmith & Neville Kent
TOFT v ALDERLEY EDGE	Barrie Burns & Don Flanagan
URMSTON v GRAPPENHALL	Trevor Burnett & Mark Turner

First Division (1 p.m.)

BROOKLANDS v TIMPERLEY	Alan Hay & Tom Spencer
CHRISTLETON v OULTON PARK	John Lowe & Tony Morris
DAVENHAM v DIDSBURY	Peter Davies & Phil Prince
MACCLESFIELD v MIDDLEWICH	Bob Cunningham & Wyn Harris
SALE v CHEADLE HULME	Simon Smith & David Williams
WIDNES v CHEADLE	Brian Jones & Clive Rice

Second Division (1 p.m.)

BREDBURY ST. MARK'S v STOCKPORT	Howard Briggs & Steve Kirkbright
IRBY v UPTON	Ray Prescott & Ken Simpson
NORTHWICH v WEAVERHAM	Steve Duckers & Graham Pugh
POYNTON v CONGLETON	David Gane & Nigel Simms
TATTENHALL v HEATON MERSEY	Neville Abberley & Ken Rothwell
WARRINGTON v ALVANLEY	Martin Roberts & David Stoter

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

ALDERLEY EDGE v TOFT	Martin Howe & no panel umpire available
CHEADLE v NANTWICH	Garry Hambleton & Gary Zimmer
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL v MACCLESFIELD	Club umpire & Jon Hacking
DIDSBURY v NESTON	Ron Bedsobn & club umpire
GRAPPENHALL v URMSTON	Darrin Clark & Brian Boys
HYDE v MARPLE	Club umpire & Graham Harris

10 Years Ago

From *Newsletter of June 26, 2004*

INDIVIDUAL highlight of the 2004 season so far was provided by Brooklands' John Birchall when he took 10-41 in a First Division game at Urmston. The 23 year old Lancashire juniors coach finished with a hat-trick after twice taking two wickets in two balls. Scores: Brooklands 137-8; Urmston 113.

OXTON's Neil Cross was named captain of the League team to meet North Staffs & District at Silverdale in the 2nd round of the President's Trophy. Line-up: Cross (Oxton), Andrew Hall, Steve Worrall (Bramhall), Kevin Waterhouse (Bollington), Richard Green (Grappenhall), Neil Titchard (Widnes), Jeff Maynard (Nantwich), Ian Tate, Barney Cutbill (Macclesfield), Paul Allen (Winnington Park) and AN Other. Team manager: Harry Bramhall.

MELBOURNE big-hitter Liam Buchanan hit 110 off 60 balls, an innings which included six sixes and 15 fours, in Oulton Park's Premier League victory over Oxton at Little Budworth.

CHRISTLETON beat Woodhouses at Little Heath to reach the 5th round of the National Village knock out. Scores: Woodhouses 176; Christleton 179-5 – Jim Gillson 90 not out, Alex Barr 45.

LEAGUE Colts team to meet the Merseyside Competition in the North-West Colts Trophy at Birkenhead St. Mary's contained Lee Dixon (Upton, captain), Warren Goodwin (Chester) and Hyde's Danny Berry and Danny Woods, all of whom were to help Cheshire win the Minor Counties title in 2013.

Cheshire 50s win after Dixon reprieve

Cheshire continued their unbeaten run in the **National 50 plus county championship** with a 74 runs victory over Durham at Grappenhall on Wednesday last week.

Turning point in Cheshire's 235-8 came when Gary Dixon was given out hit wicket before he had scored, only for the umpire to reverse his decision considering that the ball had been dead. Dixon went on to score 82 not out, mostly in partnership with Phil Catterall, 83. Durham were dismissed for 161, Andy McIlroy 2-9, Ben Cagna 2-21.

Cheshire next meet Cumberland at Appleby Eden on Wednesday (1.30 p.m.).

Cheshire Over 60s also won, on Tuesday last week, beating Lancashire at Heywood by nine wickets.

Lancashire were ousted for 133, Howard Morris 4-13, Chris Lees 4-33 and Cheshire responded with a confident 134-1 in 30 overs, Nick Sharp, 51 not out, Steve Yates 31 not out and John Edwards, 35 leading the way.

Cheshire take on Yorkshire at Cheadle Hulme on Tuesday this week (1.30 p.m.).

BIG DAY FOR MACC

Macclesfield's handsome new dressing-room block was opened by MP David Rutley, England coach Peter Moores – the club's most famous old boy - England Disability XI skipper Jimmy Williams and club chairman Simon Griffiths during a recent Gala Day.

Chairman Griffiths reports: "We were funded by grants from Sport England, the ECB and the Cheshire Board. I must also thank the hard work and graft of members whose efforts are slowly turning the club round after severe financial problems"

In a match which highlighted the day's many events, teams of past and present players treated the large crowd to a T20 thriller. The current XI won by two runs.

The players are pictured below with the new building at the rear.

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