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Cheshire County Cricket League

**2014 NEWSLETTER NO. 6: SATURDAY, MAY 24**

# It's a (virtual) wash - out

NOT a single game in the League's three divisions escaped the belt of relentless rain which enveloped the county on Saturday.

Two games were started and abandoned in the **ECB Premier League**; all six failed to start in **Division One** and all but two were cancelled outright in **Division Two**. Characteristically, the four games which began were all in Wirral, but even that normally Sahara-like region eventually succumbed to the weather.

So it was seven points all round from 18 games which compared to a total of just one cancelled in the entire 2013 season (Macclesfield v Toft on May 11) when the sun never seemed to stop shining, many batsmen managed 22 innings and run scoring was rampant.

Weatherwise, Saturday was statistically the League's worst day since June 23, 2007, the last time there was not a single game completed, in fact not a ball was delivered.

Team captains should note that umpires' marks are not required to be sent to coordinator Ken Spilsbury unless 25 overs have been bowled.

They should also bear in mind that result sheets **are** required for all games in which play takes place, including the names of every player taking part on either side.

## **DOUBLE HEADER FINALE?**

WITH Saturday's complete programmes washed out, there is a move to relocate the entire fixture lists to Sunday, September 14, thus ending the season with a double header.

Cricket Committee members are currently being canvassed for their views on the practicality of such a proposal and wider consultation may be sought by chairman David Humpage before a decision is reached.

Watch this space for further information.

## ***15 pc off Old Trafford ODI tickets***

PLAYERS and officials from the VIVIO Cheshire County League wishing to go to Old Trafford for the England v Sri Lanka ODI on Wednesday this week, but yet without a ticket, are in luck.

Under a special arrangement with Cheshire Cricket, Lancashire are offering 15 per cent off the price of tickets which range from £35 to £68.

Just follow the directions on page 258 in the League handbook by calling 0161 282 4000, tap into option 2, tell the operator which club you are connected to and they will do the rest.

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### **Saturday's sorry story in detail**

#### **ECB Premier League**

BRAMHALL v GRAPPENHALL: **cancelled – 7 pts. each** *No information telephoned*

CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL v TOFT: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

HYDE v BOWDON: **cancelled – 7 pts. each:** *No information telephoned.*

MARPLE v URMSTON: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

NESTON v ALDERLEY EDGE (toss): **abandoned – 7 pts. each**  
Neston 13-2 (5 overs).

OXTON v NANTWICH (toss): **cancelled – 7 pts. each**  
Oxton 48-2 (12 overs).

#### **Division 1**

CHRISTLETON v SALE: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

DAVENHAM v BROOKLANDS: **cancelled – 7 pts. each.** *No information telephoned.*

DIDSBURY v CHEADLE HULME: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

MACCLESFIELD v WIDNES: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

MIDDLEWICH v TIMPERLEY: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

OULTON PARK (toss) v CHEADLE: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

#### **Division 2**

BREDBURY ST. MARK'S v POYNTON: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

HEATON MERSEY v CONGLETON: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

IRBY v WARRINGTON: **abandoned – 7 pts. each**  
Irby 42-1 (12 overs: K Pedie 30no).

STOCKPORT v ALVANLEY: **cancelled – 7 pts. each**

TATTENHALL v NORTHWICH: **cancelled – 7 pts. each:**

UPTON (toss) v WEAVERHAM: **abandoned – 7 pts. each.**  
Weaverham 24-2 (16 overs).

**Tables including Saturday: all played 6 games ...**

<b>ECB Premier League</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>
	(25)	(16)	(3)	(2)	(1)	(7)				
HYDE	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	114
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	4	111
*ALDERLEY EDGE (3)	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	6	3	95
MARPLE	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	4	94
BOWDON	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	4	4	90
TOFT	2	0	1	0	1	1	1	12	6	79
GRAPPENHALL	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	1	60
NESTON	1	0	0	0	1	1	3	9	10	52
*BRAMHALL (3)	1	0	0	0	0	2	3	4	12	52
URMSTON	1	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	10	50
NANTWICH	1	0	0	1	0	1	3	10	2	46
OXTON	0	0	1	0	0	1	4	8	12	30

\* 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>
CHEADLE	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	114
DIDSBURY	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	6	4	102
TIMPERLEY	3	0	0	1	1	1	0	9	6	100
DAVENHAM	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	4	3	96
MACCLESFIELD	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	2	92
CHEADLE HULME	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	8	6	71
SALE	1	0	1	0	1	2	1	9	8	60
OULTON PARK	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	8	6	54
CHRISTLETON	1	0	0	0	0	2	3	8	4	51
WIDNES	0	0	1	1	0	1	3	28	9	49
MIDDLEWICH	0	0	1	0	0	1	4	18	10	38
BROOKLANDS	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	13	6	34

<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>
ALVANLEY	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	12	4	103
STOCKPORT	3	0	0	1	1	1	0	8	2	95
NORTHWICH	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	3	94
WEAVERHAM	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	8	93
CONGLETON	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	2	86
* HEATON MERSEY (4)	2	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	4	80
TATTENHALL	1	0	2	0	0	2	1	14	8	67
* WARRINGTON	1	1	0	0	0	2	2	0	6	58
UPTON	1	0	0	0	0	1	4	20	6	58
IRBY	1	0	0	0	1	1	3	4	13	50
BREDBURY ST. MARK'S	1	0	0	0	0	2	3	3	7	49
POYNTON	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	2	9	25

\* Points deducted for slow over rates.

## **Ground reports for Saturday, May 17**

### **ECB Premiership**

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

### **First Division**

Brooklands v Macclesfield: 16 – 20;  
Cheadle v Middlewich: 16 – 20.  
Cheadle Hulme v Oulton Park: 17 – 18;  
Timperley v Davenham: 14 – 20;  
Sale v Didsbury: 17 – 19  
Widnes v Christleton: 19 – 19.

### **Second Division**

Alvanley v Upton: 17 – 20;  
Congleton v Stockport 14 – 15;  
Northwich v Irby 11 – 18  
Poynton v Heaton Mersey 17 – 18;  
Warrington v Bredbury: late result sheet  
Weaverham v Tattenhall 15 – 20.

### **Missing result sheets**

April 26: Didsbury v Middlewich; May 17: Warrington v Bredbury.  
May 15 T20: Chester v Warrington; Hyde v Cheadle Hulme

## **ERRATA**

DUE to a failure in transmission and of Hyde to post the scores on the website before *Newsletter* went to press the following Monday, Chris Tipper was attributed with the season's first RedInsure T20 century, for Hyde against Cheadle Hulme last week. The scorer was, in fact, Khalid Sawas.

It was Josh Henderson who had a 7-22 return for Chester against Bowdon in a Premier League game on May 17, not Josh Hampson as reported.

## **Nigel Peel**

FORMER friends and colleagues of Bowdon and Cheshire fast bowler Nigel Peel, will be concerned to hear that he has developed a brain tumour and is to undergo a major operation

Nigel writes to *Newsletter*: "At 46, I was going to start playing again this season in the Palace Shield, but this has cropped up and set me back. I am now aiming my comeback for 2015, perhaps playing for Bowdon Over 40s if they will have me!"

Sums up Nigel's famous fighting spirit. We all wish him good luck.

## **Hyslop hits 135 in RedInsure T20**

THE second week of **RedInsure T20** group games was badly interrupted by rain with one match cancelled and two others abandoned.

Sale did well to beat Premiership Bramhall by four wickets, while Cheadle beat Grappenhall by one run in the evening's closest finish

Individual highlight was a remarkable innings of 135 by Tom Hyslop in Oulton Park's home win over Alvanley in which 407 runs were scored.

### **GROUP 2 RESULTS**

#### **Oulton Park (2 pts.) beat Alvanley by 30 runs:**

Oulton Park 219-4 (20 overs: T Hyslop 135, B. Kettle 52); Alvanley 189-9 (20 overs: S Charles 53, TB 4-48).

#### **Tattenhall v Neston: match abandoned (1 pt. each)**

Neston 51-1 (5 overs).

### **GROUP 4:**

#### **Alderley Edge v Timperley: match abandoned (1 pt. each)**

Alderley Edge 106-2 (11 overs: M Currie 40, A. Day 35).

#### **Sale (2 pts.) beat Bramhall by 4 wickets:**

Bramhall 117-7 (20 overs: M Begbie 66, A Barrowman 2-13, R Grant 2-31); Sale 119-6 (19.2 overs: R Greenhough 33, M Hughes 2-23).

### **GROUP 6:**

#### **Brooklands lost to Urmston (2 pts.) by 3 wickets:**

Brooklands 132-8 (20 overs: A.Buchan 35); Urmston 142-7 (- overs: A Turrell 74, J. Bagshaw 3-26, A.J Hart 3-35).

#### **Cheadle (2 pts.) beat Grappenhall by 1 run:**

Cheadle 136-6 (25 overs: D Brown 51, G Burns 2-16); Grappenhall 135-9 (15 overs: G Burns 45, W Holmes 3-17, P. Sperring 3-16).

### **GROUP 8:**

#### **Congleton v Macclesfield: cancelled due to rain (1 pt. each)**

#### **Middlewich lost to Nantwich by 8 wickets (2pts.)**

Middlewich 94-9 (20 overs: L Livingstone 2-13, S. Wardley 2-15); Nantwich 95-2 (12 overs: L Livingstone 64no).

## ***This week's only game***

### **GROUP 7: TUESDAY, MAY 27 (6 p.m.)**

TOFT v DIDSBURY

Umpires: Brian Boys & Ged Kinsey

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### *Redinsure T20 tables: all one match played*

<b>GROUP 1</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>C/Ab</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	1	1	0	0	2
DAVENHAM	1	1	0	0	2
NORTHWICH	1	0	0	1	0
WARRINGTON	1	0	0	1	0

<b>GROUP 2</b>					
OULTON PARK	1	1	0	0	2
NESTON	1	0	1	0	1
TATTENHALL	1	0	1	0	1
ALVANLEY	1	0	0	1	0

<b>GROUP 3</b>					
HYDE	1	1	0	0	2
STOCKPORT	1	1	0	0	2
CHEADLE HULME	1	0	0	1	0
MARPLE	1	0	0	1	0

<b>GROUP 4</b>					
SALE	1	1	0	0	2
ALDERLEY EDGE	1	0	1	0	1
TIMPERLEY	1	0	1	0	1
BRAMHALL	1	0	0	1	0

<b>GROUP 5</b>					
OXTON	1	1	0	0	2
WIDNES	1	1	0	0	2
IRBY	1	0	0	1	0
UPTON	1	0	0	1	0

<b>GROUP 6</b>					
CHEADLE	1	1	0	0	2
URMSTON	1	1	0	0	2
BROOKLANDS	1	0	0	1	0
GRAPPENHALL	1	0	0	1	0

<b>GROUP 7</b>					
DIDSBURY	1	1	0	0	2
TOFT	1	1	0	0	2
BREDBURY ST. MARK'S	1	0	0	1	0
POYNTON	1	0	0	1	0

<b>GROUP 8</b>					
NANTWICH	1	1	0	0	2
CONGLETON	1	0	1	0	1
MACCLESFIELD	1	0	1	0	1
MIDDLEWICH	1	0	0	1	0

## **CHESHIRE IN QUARTER-FINALS**

CHESHIRE have delighted their new main sponsors Chess Telecom by qualifying for a home game in the quarter-finals of the **Unicorns Counties Knock out Trophy** in which they will meet Herefordshire at Chester Boughton Hall on Sunday, June 15.

This follows the abandonment of their final group game against Lincolnshire at Bramhall on Sunday when their visitors had reached 8-1 from two overs when the heavens opened. This was spoiled many weeks' hard work by the well-led Bramhall club - and long-serving groundsman Richard Cragg - in preparing for their big occasion.

The Cheshire team was: James Duffy captain, Chris Tipper, Danny Berry (Hyde), Warren Goodwin, Lee Dixon, Harry Killoran (Chester Boughton Hall), Rick Moore, Pat Roberts (Oulton Park), Nick Anderson (Didsbury), Adam Syddall (Urmston), Danny Woods (York). 12<sup>th</sup> man Matt Hughes (Bramhall).

<b>Group final table</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>C/A</b>	<b>Pts.</b>
Cheshire	4	2	0	2	6
Cumberland	4	2	1	1	5
Shropshire	4	1	1	2	4
Lincolnshire	4	1	2	1	3
Northumberland	4	0	2	2	2

O Cheshire open their **Unicorns County championship** programme against Herefordshire at Colwall from Sunday – Tuesday, June 8 – 10.

### ***LANCS TWOS LOSE AT MIDDLEWICH***

AFTER losing to the Cheshire Development XI at Sale four days earlier, Lancashire 2nd went down by 62 runs to Leicestershire in a 50 overs Trophy game at Middlewich on Monday last week.

Lancashire's star turn was Toft and England Under 19 all-rounder Rob Jones. The Toft teenager took 2-32 in Leicestershire's innings of 215, then top scored with 65 in a reply of 153.

Former Brooklands and Bowdon batsman Mark Chilton, has left his job at Manchester GS to run the Red Rose 2<sup>nd</sup> XI.

### ***Fifties' fine victory***

CHESHIRE beat Northumberland by 72 runs in the **ECB 50 Plus county championship** at Alderley Edge on Wednesday last week

An opening stand worth 101 between Phil Catterall (87) and Steve Yates (37) set Cheshire's innings up impressively and Colin Ridler rounded off their impressive tally of 214-6 with a brisk unbeaten 29.

Northumberland subsided to 7-3 and never got a grip on the excellent opening bowling of Andy McIlroy (9-4-21-3) and Mike Cushion (9-1-21-). Chris Moore weighed in with 3-36 and with the Geordies batting one short due to injury their innings closed at 142-8.

Next up: Lancashire at Formby on Wednesday, May 28 (1.30 p.m.).

### **Century for Yates**

IN the **Spitfire 60 Plus county championship** at Knockin on Tuesday last week Cheshire won a rain interrupted game against Shropshire by 54 runs.

Steve Yates hit a fine unbeaten 114 as Cheshire ran up 242-6, with Andy Hurworth and John Edwards both contributing 28. A heavy shower delayed Shropshire's reply and their target was reduced to 205 off 38 overs, but they mustered only 151-9. Bob Yardley claimed 4-31 including three wickets in an over and John Edwards 2-16.

Cheshire's next outing is against Lincolnshire at Hartsholm on Tuesday, June 3.

The **County Over 60s 2<sup>nd</sup> XI** had their game against Devon at neutral Frocester abandoned due to rain last Thursday. They are due to meet Gloucestershire at Kingsholm on Thursday this week.

## **Forties enjoy sunshine**

ANOTHER sunny evening resulted in a virtual full house of **Over Forties section** games on Wednesday, May 21. The only unplayed fixtures were Mobberley v Alsager Dabbers (Mobberley conceded) and Davenham v Ashley (Ashley conceded).

### WEST GROUP RESULTS

**Neston (4 pts.) beat Chester Boughton Hall by 49 runs:**

Neston 156-3 (Donelan 31, Brown 31, Lea-Swain 30); Chester 107 (Robinson 30, Batra 30).

**Oxton lost to Irby (4 pts.) by 38 runs:**

Irby 141-1 (Jay 31, Mahi 30, D. Newman 31); Oxton 103-6 (Cashin 32, Wimpenny 25, Money, 20, D. Newman 2-11).

**Upton lost to Tattenhall Wreckers (4 pts.) by 2 runs:**

Tattenhall 129-7 (Kettle 30, Nicholls 30); Upton 127-5 (Warburton 33, Jarvis 30).

**Warrington (4 pts.) beat Caldby by 3 wickets:**

Caldby 96-7 (Hunter 24, Fagan-Hall 3-7, Sleigh 2-20); Warrington 98-7 (Sleigh 35, Bland 3-17, Wilde 2-23).

### CENTRAL: GROUP

**Bowdon Vale Vikings lost to Grappenhall (4 pts.) by 26 runs:**

Grappenhall 134-7 (Titchard 33, Sharp 30, Anderson 30, Thorpe 3-23); Bowdon Vale 108-7 (Dean 25, Hunter 25, Bottomley 21, Clissol 3-26).

**Davenham (4 pts.) v Ashley conceded. NO INFORMATION NOTIFIED: £15 FINE.**

**Mobberley conceded to Alsager Dabbers (4 pts.)**

**Toft (4 pts.) beat Bowdon by 6 wickets:**

Bowdon 107-8 (Thompson 31, Murray 3-12); Toft 110-4 (Sheldon 31, Hope 31, Burgess 2-14).

### NORTH EAST GROUP:

**Brooklands (4 pts.) beat Timperley by 8 wickets:**

Timperley 92-5 (Smith 27); Brooklands 94-2 (Mitchell 30, Horsford 25).

**Cheadle lost to Sale Silverbacks (4 pts.) by 22 runs:**

Sale 150-5 (Bolton 30, Almond 29, Tipping 2-22); Cheadle 128-9 (Clayton 32, Almond 3-25).

**Cheadle Hulme lost to Alderley Edge Vikings (4 pts.) by 2 wickets:**

Cheadle Hulme 100-5 (Oldfield 30, Bianchi 2-16, Chalk 2-23); Alderley Edge 101-8 (Armstrong 31, Arden 2-15).

**Urmston Tigers (4 pts.) beat Ashton on Mersey by 102 runs:**

Urmston 195-6 (Marshall 30, Saunders 30, Sethi 30, Espley 26, Tootell 25, Knowles 3-21); Ashton on Mersey 93-6 (Warner 30, Newton 3-17).

### SOUTH-EAST GROUP

**Bredbury Saints (4 pts.) beat Woodley by 63 runs:**

Bredbury 183-3 (Bashford 32, C. Wood 32, Clarke 31, Bass 30); Woodley 120-3 (Oldland 30, Ripper 30).



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*Forties continued ....*

**Macclesfield (4 pts.) beat Offerton by 5 wickets:**

Offerton 134-6 (Bates 30, Ryles 29, Evans 3-14, Bradley 3-16); Macclesfield 128-5 (Towle 31, Hannigan 29).

**Marple (4 pts.) beat Bramhall by 7 runs:**

Marple 107 (Littler 30, Stoneman 2-15); Bramhall 100 (Smith 2-15, Tadman 2-21)

**Poynton Legends (4 pts.) beat Bollington Veterans by 8 wickets:**

Bollington 98-5 (Pattinson 31); Poynton 99-2 (Martin 33, Kingham 31).

<u>West group</u>	<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>CAN.</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PTS.</b>
NESTON	3	3	0	0	12
IRBY	3	2	0	1	8
TATTENHALL WRECKERS	3	2	0	1	8
UPTON	3	2	0	1	8
CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	3	1	0	2	4
OXTON	3	1	0	2	4
WARRINGTON	3	1	0	2	4
CALDY	3	0	0	3	0

### Central group

ALSAGER DABBERS	3	3	0	0	12
TOFT	3	3	0	0	12
GRAPPENHALL	3	2	0	1	8
ASHLEY	3	1	0	2	4
BOWDON	3	1	0	2	4
BOWDON VALE VIKINGS	3	1	0	2	4
DAVENHAM	3	1	0	2	4
MOBBERLEY	3	0	0	3	0

### North-East group

ALDERLEY EDGE WIZARDS	3	2	1	0	10
URMSTON TIGERS	3	2	1	0	10
BROOKLANDS	3	2	0	1	8
CHEADLE	3	1	1	1	6
CHEADLE HULME	3	1	1	1	6
SALE SILVERBACKS	3	1	1	1	6
TIMPERLEY	3	0	1	2	2
ASHTON ON MERSEY	3	0	0	3	0

### South-East group

BREDBURY SAINTS	3	3	0	0	12
MARPLE	3	3	0	0	12
BRAMHALL	3	1	0	2	4
BOLLINGTON VETERANS	3	1	0	2	4
MACCLESFIELD	3	2	0	1	8
POYNTON LEGENDS	3	2	0	1	8
OFFERTON	3	0	0	3	0
WOODLEY	3	0	0	3	0

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***Forties continued ...***

### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 28 FIXTURES (6.15 p.m.)**

WEST: Caldy v Neston; Chester v Warrington (now on Monday, June 2); Irby v Upton; Tattenhall Wreckers v Oxton

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

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

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

### ***First Fair Play table***

HALF the League's 36 clubs had maximum marks of four after the first five games of the season.

The table coordinated by John Lofthouse including May 17, is as follows:

1= 4.0 Alderley Edge, Alvanley, Bowdon, Bredbury, Brooklands, Christleton, Grappenhall, Hyde, Irby, Macclesfield, Marple, Neston, Oulton Park, Poynton, Sale, Stockport, Warrington, Widnes.

19= 3.90 Cheadle Hulme, Chester, Nantwich, Toft

23. 3.88 Bramhall

24= 3.80 Tattenhall, Weaverham

26. 3.75 Didsbury

27. 3.70 Tinperley

28= 3.60 Cheadle, Heaton Mersey, Urmston

31= 3.50 Davenham, Middlewich, Upton

34. 3.40 Stockport

35. 3.30 Northwich

36. 3.20 Oxton

### **Bowdon beat Hyde in National**

BOWDON became only the third Vivio Cheshire County League club to reach the third round of the **National Knock out** when they beat a Hyde team minus their Cheshire trio by nine runs at South Downs road on Sunday, May 18.

Scores:

Bowdon 192 (Pat Ashling 58, Paddy McKeown 38, George Sandbach 35, David Fitzsimmons 3-37); Hyde 183 (Chris Tipper 51, Gareth Edwards 4-32). Bowdon now meet Leigh in the Group 5 semi-final on June 1.

In Group 6, Chester have qualified to take on Northern, while Nantwich host Bootle in group 6, both on Sunday, June 1.

### **NO PLAY IN TACS LEAGUE**

ALL matches were cancelled in the **TACS Partnership Cheshire Cricket League** on Saturday.

Division 1 points to date: Stockport Georgians 127 Ashton on Mersey 94; Mobberley 88; Romiley 86; Bollington 76; Malpas 74; Runcorn 69;p Hale Barns 63; CCO 62; Oakmere 60; Prestbury 55 Lindow 38.

Division 1 fixtures on Saturday, May 31 (1.30 p.m.) are: Ashton on Mersey v Oakmere; Bollington v Lindow; Mobberley v Prestbury; Romiley v CCO; Runcorn v Malpas; Stockport Georgians v Hale Barns.

*Information kindly provided by Cheshire League chairman Graham Coull.*

**WEEK 7:**  
**LEAGUE FIXTURES & UMPIRES**  
**FOR SATURDAY, MAY 31**

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

ALDERLEY EDGE v CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL	Martin Howe & John Lofthouse
BOWDON v GRAPPENHALL	Ian Greensmith & Mark Turner
MARPLE v BRAMHALL	Phil Prince & Gary Zimmer
NANTWICH v NESTON	Neville Kent & Martin Roberts
TOFT v HYDE	Graham Harris & Steve Walton
URMSTON v OXTON	Alistair Davies & Ankit Jain

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

BROOKLANDS v MIDDLEWICH	Peter Davies & David Gane
CHEADLE v CHEADLE HULME	John Lowe & Ken Rothwell
CHRISTLETON v DIDSBURY	Peter Hanaby & Ged Kinsey
SALE v MACCLESFIELD	Trevor Burnett & Steve Kirkbright
TIMPERLEY v OULTON PARK	David Moss & Ian Wilson
WIDNES v DAVENHAM	Darrin Clark & Dion Kelly

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

ALVANLEY v CONGLETON	Don Flanagan & Brian Jones
BREDBURY ST. MARK'S v HEATON MERSEY	Wyn Harris & David Stoter
NORTHWICH v UPTON	Jon Hacking & Clive Rice
POYNTON v IRBY	Chris Smith & David Tate
WARRINGTON v TATTENHALL	Ray Prescott & Graham Pugh
WEAVERHAM v STOCKPORT	Brian Boys & Barrie Burns

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

CHESTER BOUGHTON HALL v ALDERLEY EDGE	Neville Abberley & David Williams
DIDSBURY v MARPLE	David Goulding & Howard Briggs
GRAPPENHALL v CHEADLE	Tony Morris & no panel ump available
HYDE v TOFT	Club umpire & Simon Smith
MACCLESFIELD v URMSTON	Alan Hay & Paul Herring
NESTON v NANTWICH	Club umpire & Steve Duckers

## **10 Years Ago**

**From *Newsletter of May 28, 2004***

TWO minutes' silence was to be observed at all league matches over the Bank Holiday week-end as a token of esteem for President Douglas Bourne, who had died in Macclesfield General Hospital, aged 84.

Dougie, as he was affectionately known, had previously served as chairman from 1986-95 and before then had helped form the umpires panel and successfully chaired the Cheadle Hulme club .

He had been married to Lilian for almost 51 years.

DIDSBURY missed the chance to beat Premiership leaders Oulton Park when they reached 236-5 (Tom Maher 73), with five overs left, chasing 251-3. But they froze against inspired fielding and tight bowling from Stuart Eaton, 3-20, to close on 240-7.

ANDY HALL dragged Bramhall to top place in Division One with a scorching 107 against Cheadle Hulme. This followed previous knocks of 93 not out, 84, 50 and 58 by the Cheshire skipper. .

CHEADLE suffered their first defeat in Division Two at Congleton. This left Heaton Mersey the only unbeaten side and they had the in-form Nick Cantello (78 not out) to thank for a fine victory over Christleton

TOP six clubs in the current Meller Braggins Cheshire League table were currently Wilmslow, Mere, Malpas, Sale, Burnage and Prestbury, while Alvanley propped up the table with one win in six.

## **Cheshire Cup hit by rain**

PLAY was possible in only three of the second round games in the **Cheshire Cup** on Sunday, New Brighton, Stockport and Macclesfield all winning. Results to hand:

New Brighton beat Romiley by 49 runs: New Brighton 151 (Rylance 63, D. While 43) Romiley 102.

Stockport beat Parkfield Liscard by 183 runs: Stockport 273-7 (Hope 92, Manning 57 = 141 for first wicket, R Barber 55) Parkfield 90 (Kidd 4-42, Eley 3-42).

Macclesfield beat Congleton by 77 runs: Macclesfield 212; Congleton 135-9.

Remaining games to be played on Sunday, June 1 unless stated : Timperley v Nantwich (TBA); Urmston v Weaverham; Oxton v Upton; Widnes v Hale Barns; Chester v Elworth (TBA); Grappenhall v Oulton Park; Davenham v Bollington; Didsbury v Bowdon ( TBA); Toft v Bramhall; Wilmslow Wayfarers v Marple; Hyde v Birkenhead Park; Brooklands v Neston

*Results provided by organiser Barrie Burns*

