

Largely as you were in CWCL divisions, as all cross-divisional matches are won by division one teams ... Didsbury seconds and Georgians still bossing division three, and will also meet in Development KO Final ... Trinity into T20 Divisional final ... Didsbury into senior knockout final, against Trinity or Chester ... League XI to play MCC on Friday week ... Two more wins for Cheshire to set up last day showdown ... Mason's 8th county century leads U17s to win over Warwickshire ... England World Champions!!

CHESHIRE WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Division One / Two Cross Divisional – July 23:

Wistaston Village 110 (37.5; Katie Haszeldine 33, Alison Smith 20, Laura Jackson 2-16) (6pts)
Appleton 111-6 (32.2; Emma McCue (Barlow) 67*, Chloe Page 20, Haszeldine 4-14, Smith 2-29) (25pts)

- Wistaston are still the only division two side to beat top flight opposition in a cross-divisional match this year, and they certainly came closer than any of their divisional rivals to claiming a scalp here. Appleton were certainly very grateful to Emma McCue for batting through the innings for 67, and Katie Haszeldine was one player who certainly didn't deserve to be on the losing side.

Oxton 73-4 (40; Alexa Harrison 27, Annette Axon 2-16) (1pt)
Chester Boughton Hall 74-0 (16; Lorna Starkey 44*, Sammi Short 25*) (25pts)

- Sammi Short led the way with one wicket for one run as Chester sent down 19 maidens in 40 overs, before easing to their small target.

Ashton-on-Mersey 94-7 (40; Carol Ingham 30, Vicky Heaton 2-4, Kerry Hartnett 2-10) (3pts)
Oakmere 95-1 (13.4; Dawn Prestidge 66*) (25pts)

- Dawn Prestidge smashed 66 to take Oakmere home to their modest target in a hurry.

Stockport Trinity 170-7 (40; Carys White 68, Gaby McKeever 23, Sarah McCann 21, Emma Capper 2-20) (24pts)
Leigh 108-2 (40; Daisy Mullan 28, Capper 27, Nicky Deane 22*) (7pts)

- Another division two side managing to bat their overs, but struggling to score quickly were Leigh. Carys White's senior career best led the way to a solid Trinity total, and although Leigh kept wickets in hand, they were unable to accelerate. With all four matches today going the way of the division one teams, there is very little change to the overall picture in either division.

Top aggregate performers in the top two divisions, as of July 9:

Div 1 Batting: 1st Sarah McCann (Stockport Trinity) 209, 2nd Hannah Jones (Didsbury) 205, 3rd Kerry Hartnett (Oakmere) 203, Dawn Prestidge (Oakmere) 203, 5th Laura Jackson (Appleton) 199.

Div 1 Bowling: 1st Gillian Spragg (Stockport Trinity) 10, 2nd Kate Coppack (Chester Boughton Hall) 9, Katy Hart (Stockport Trinity) 9, Emma Royle (Stockport Trinity) 9, Sammi Short (Chester Boughton Hall) 9, Abby Nicholson (Didsbury) 9.

Div 1 Fielding: 1st Hannah Jones (Didsbury) 6, 2nd Dawn Prestidge (Oakmere) 4, Sami Fowler (Appleton) 4

Div 1 Wicketkeeping: 1st Gaby McKeever (Stockport Trinity) 6, Nic Capes (Chester Boughton Hall) 6, 3rd Dawn Prestidge (Oakmere) 4.

Div 2 Batting: 1st Nicky Deane (Leigh) 253, 2nd Alison Smith (Wistaston Village) 233, 3rd Amanda Gettins (Ashton-on-Mersey) 175, 4th Katie Bennett (Wistaston Village) 151, 5th Daisy Mullan (Leigh) 130

Div 2 Bowling: 1st Alison Smith (Wistaston Village) 13, 2nd Hannah Bratt (Wistaston Village) 11, 3rd Kasey Bentham (Leigh) 10, 4th Amanda Gettins (Ashton-on-Mersey) 9, 5th Alexa Harrison (Oxton) 8.

Div 2 Fielding: 1st Megan Cureton (Oxton) 4, 2nd Alexa Harrison (Oxton) 3

Div 2 Wicketkeeping: 1st Katie Bennett (Wistaston Village) 6, 2nd Mina Khatun (Ashton-on-Mersey) 2, Hannah Kowalski (Oxton) 2, Carrie Blood (Leigh) 2.

Division Three – July 16:

Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI 50-8 (20; Liv Bell 2-2, Ella Smith 2-9) (3pts)
Stockport Georgians 54-2 (12; Sharon Skade 27*) (25pts)
(Chester performance details not available at present)

- Another good all-round bowling show from Georgians paved the way for this victory

Didsbury 2nd XI 99-4 (20; Lucy Thompson-Smith 28ret, Amna Malik 28ret, Laura Smith 2-15) (25pts)
Lymm Oughtrington Park 83 (19; Amy Couture 35*, Hannah Marshall 5-4, Malik 2-15) (6pts)
(Two of the Didsbury wickets were Retired Out, so Lymm do not receive bowling bonus points for these)

- Lymm played a full part in a very competitive match, but were finally undone by a superb spell from Hannah Marshall.

July 23:

Woodley 60-7 (20; Alex Wilson 21, Zoe Jones 2-5) (5pts)
Stockport Georgians 66-4 (14.1; Liv Bell 26, Kate Robinson 2-14) (25pts)

- Georgians maintained their winning run, getting home with plenty to spare here. Beth Garnett hit the winning runs with a six.

Hawarden Park 90-2 (20; Rachel Warrenger 45*) (6pts)
Didsbury 2nd XI 91-2 (16.2; Lucy Smith 52*, Millie Frost 20*), Jasmine Denton 2-14) (25pts)

- This completed a double for Didsbury seconds, having also beaten their Welsh opponents in the Development Knockout earlier in the day. Hawarden posted a decent total, and must have fancied their chances when Jasmine Denton took two early wickets, but Lucy Smith completed her superb day, seeing her side home in an unbroken stand of 79 alongside Millie Frost.

Georgians and Didsbury continue to record victories at the top of the table. Were this to continue to the end of the season, the two sides would finish level on points and the title would be decided on net run rate. There will be no crunch match between the two, as they have already played the two league matches in question, with each team winning one match and taking seven losing bonus points from the other.

Fixtures in division 3 awaiting possible re-arrangement:
Lymm v Chester 2nd XI
Chester 2nd XI v Woodley

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SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE CRICKET

The Cheshire Women's League XI to play the MCC at Ashton-on-Mersey on Friday August 4 at 1100 is as follows:

Dawn Prestidge (Oakmere, captain), Alexa Harrison (Oxton), Carys White (Stockport Trinity), Alison Smith, Hannah Bratt, Katie Haszeldine (all Wistaston Village), Kate Coppack, Ali Cutler (both Chester Boughton Hall), Sami Fowler, Laura Jackson (both Appleton), Raffaella Rodighiero (Oakmere)

Fielding reserves: Christine Lawson (Wistaston Village), Molli Coleman (Chester Boughton Hall)

Scorers: John Rishton (Ashton-on-Mersey), Caroline Sheridan (Didsbury)

Look forward to seeing as many supporters as possible. Free admission, and the bar is open all day. Unlike previous years, this will be a 50 overs per side win/lose match with a single meal interval, which will happen between innings.

A match between a Lancashire XI and the MCC will be played on the same ground on the previous day, and all members of the Cheshire cricket community are invited to attend that match as a spectator, and to partake of food from the barbecue that will take place at the end of the Thursday match. Please note however that this is not a League social event as such, and the barbecue is only really intended for players and spectators at the two fixtures, plus any other MCC Women members from the North who wish to join us.

MCC have announced that Laura MacLeod has been made an Honorary Life Member.

T20 DIVISIONAL COMPETITION

Eastern Division – July 19:

Stockport Trinity Fire w/o Woodley

- This 'result' sees Trinity top the Eastern Division and in so doing reach their first final in six years. They will play the winners of the Western Division – Chester or Oakmere – on Finals Day on August 20. If Trinity beat Chester in the senior knockout semi in two days' time, they will have two cup finals on that day.

Fixtures in the T20 divisions awaiting possible re-arrangement:

Didsbury v Ashton
Wistaston v Appleton

KNOCKOUT CUPS

Knockout Cup – Quarter Final – July 10:

Oakmere Kats 105-6 (20; Shami Ahmed 28ret, Helen Smith 26ret, Sarah Worsdale 25ret)
Stockport Trinity Fire 106-4 (19; Jennie Kitzinger 26ret, Gaby McKeever 25ret, Kate Skelhorn 2-11)

- Trinity overcame their stiff target to power into the semi-finals.

July 13:

Chester Boughton Hall Deemons 123-5 (20; Lorna Starkey 27ret, Ali Cutler 26ret, Hannah Snape 25ret)
Ashton-on-Mersey 83-4 (20; Amanda Gettins 26ret, Mina Khatun 24)

- Chester will travel to Trinity for the semi-final, and like their wins in other T20 competitions this year, victory was achieved by batting first and posting a healthy total.

Semi Final – July 17:

Oxton 49-6 (13; Hannah Kowalski 16, Hannah Jones 2-4, Roshini Prince-Navaratnam 2-12)
Didsbury Swordettes 50-1 (8; Leesa Mellon 24*, Prince-Navaratnam 23)
(Restricted to 13 overs per side after delayed start due to traffic accident)

- Holders Didsbury eased into a second successive final, where they will play Trinity or Chester.

Development Knockout Cup – Semi Final – July 23:

Hawarden Park 66-7 (20; Rachel Warrenger 12, Lucy Smith 2-5)
Didsbury 2nd XI 67-2 (18.4; Smith 25ret)

- Didsbury's seconds and Stockport Georgians are setting the pace in division three, and the two sides will also now contest the final of this competition, which is exclusively for teams from that division. With Didsbury's first team having made the senior knockout final, August 20 could be a big day for the Didsbury club.

The latest regarding the line-up for Finals Day at Chester Boughton Hall on Sunday August 20 is:

T20 Divisional Competition – Stockport Trinity Fire v Chester Boughton Hall Deemons / Oakmere Kats
Knockout Cup – Didsbury Swordettes v Stockport Trinity Fire / Chester Boughton Hall Deemons
Development Knockout Cup – Stockport Georgians v Didsbury 2nd XI

Matches will take place at 1030, 1330 and 1630. The order of the matches will be decided once more is known about which teams will be involved. Clubs should note that, although neutral umpires will be appointed by the League for these matches, they should still provide their own scorers.

CHESHIRE SENIORS

NatWest Women's County T20 Division Three – July 16:

Northumberland 94-6 (20; Ami Campbell 35, Rachael Gillott 28, Kate Coppack 3-18)
Cheshire 95-4 (17.4; Ellie Mason 25, Dawn Prestidge 24)

- Northumberland made a good start, adding 61 for the first wicket, but were then pegged back by Kate Coppack's three wickets and failed to reach three figures. Cheshire only scored 45 in the first 10 overs of their reply, but kept wickets in hand, and were eventually able to reach their target with plenty to spare.

Cumbria 38 (18; Dawn Prestidge 3-7, Kennedy Nuttall 3-8)
Cheshire 39-1 (5.1; Ellie Mason 20*)

- Cheshire then showed no mercy to winless Cumbria. By the time the opening pair of Dawn Prestidge and Kennedy Nuttall had finished their spells, Cumbria had been reduced to 15-6.

Cheshire: Ellie Mason, Kerry Hartnett, Dawn Prestidge, Phoebe Cottam, Kate Coppack, Hannah Snape, Ali Cutler, Kennedy Nuttall, Holly McCurrie, Katie Haszeldine, Sarah Worsdale.

Women's County T20 Division 3 Group B	p	w	l	lcn	wcn	NRR	Pts
Cheshire	6	4	1	0	1	2.4	20
Leicestershire	6	5	1	0	0	1.02	20
Shropshire	6	4	2	0	0	-0.31	16
Northumberland	6	3	3	0	0	0.44	12
Lincolnshire	6	0	5	0	1	-1.83	4
Cumbria	6	0	4	2	0	-2.55	0

p - Played, w - Won (4), l - Lost (0), lcn - Team Conceded (0), wcn - Opposition Conceded (4), NRR - Net run rate, Pts - Points

The teams will each play eight matches, playing the other teams either once or twice. The winners will be promoted to Division 2.

So for Cheshire it comes down to a final day showdown at Long Whatton in Leicestershire this coming Sunday, when the top three sides - Cheshire, Leicestershire and Shropshire are all in action. Cheshire can make sure of the title, and the sole promotion place, by winning both matches, which would remove any need to resort to use of the abacus! However, the first match of the day looks crucial, as were Cheshire to lose to Leicestershire in the 10.30 match, then there would be no way back for Cheshire, as the best they could then do would be to match Leicestershire's total of 24 points. While Cheshire enjoy a significant net run rate advantage over their rivals, this may not come into play, as the first criteria for breaking a tie is the result between the two sides. Were Cheshire to beat Leicestershire but then lose to Shropshire in the second match of the day at 1.30, then Cheshire would need Leicestershire to do them a favour and beat Shropshire in the final round-robin match at 4.30.

CHESHIRE JUNIOR GIRLS' TEAMS

Under 17 Malvern Festival – July 19:

Cheshire 210-3 (38; Ellie Mason 132*, Carys White 28*)
Warwickshire 199-7 (38; Beth Nicholson 4-39)

- Ellie Mason's eighth career century was the undoubted highlight of this victory, but it wouldn't have been achieved either without Beth Nicholson's four wickets.

July 20:

Oxfordshire 113 (33.1; Christine Lawson 4-21, Emma Royle 2-10, Charlotte Cross 2-16)
Cheshire 114-5 (30.4; Hope Anderson 32*, Royle 20)

- A second win came via a team effort where Emma Royle played her part with both bat and ball.

Women's Under 15 County Championship A Division Group 1 – July 13:

Durham 145 (31.1; Lily Scudder 5-29, Abby Nicholson 2-16)
Cheshire 146-6 (35.4; Lily Scudder 64*, Nicholson 40)

- Scudder and Nicholson completed superb all-round performances by adding 100 for the sixth wicket to rescue Cheshire from 40-5 and complete an impressive victory.

Women's Under 13 County Championship B Division Group 1 – July 13:

Cheshire 162-8 (35; Madeline Hudson 24, Tilly Arton 24)
Lincolnshire 60 (20.3; Emma Clarke 2-8, Freya Davies 2-9, Rebecca Othick 2-10, Grace Michell 2-15)

- An all-round performance brought about a comprehensive victory

ENGLAND WOMEN

England Women won the World Cup for the fourth time at Lord's on Sunday, capturing the last India wicket with eight balls remaining to win by nine runs. This completed a superb England fightback where the last seven India wickets had fallen for just 28 runs. Anya Shrubsole was the hero of the day, taking 6-46. Batting first, England's 228-7 had looked below par – Natalie Sciver top scored with just 51 and Jhulan Goswami returned fine figures of 3-23. Poonam Raut's innings of 86 looked to have put India on course for their first World Cup, before Shrubsole and her colleagues engineered an amazing finish.

England's semi-final was no less nerve racking. Chasing 219, England appeared to be cruising at 139-2. Sarah Taylor was then run out for 54, and more wickets quickly followed. In a very nervous finish, England finally got over the line with three balls remaining and two wickets in hand.

WOMEN'S SUPER LEAGUE

Lancashire Thunder have three home matches. The first will be on the afternoon of Wednesday August 16 against Surrey Stars at Old Trafford, and will be part of a televised double-header, with a men's match (Lancashire Lightning v Worcestershire Rapids) to follow at 1830. The Thunder also play stand-alone home matches on Sunday August 20 versus Loughborough Lightning at Blackpool CC, and on Wednesday August 23 against Southern Vipers at Liverpool CC. All three matches are scheduled to start at 1430.

We look forward to seeing as many people with a connection to Cheshire women's or girls' cricket at Old Trafford or Liverpool. (The Blackpool match is however on the same day as the CWCL Finals Day). Lancashire Thunder is in no way a Lancashire county side – it represents the entire North West region, and includes players from Cheshire in the squad, so there is every reason to get behind this team and to wish them every success.

Tickets for Stand A (where under 18s tickets are available for just £4 and adults £10, so probably the best for a club group trip) for the Old Trafford match can NOW be purchased [here](#), and general admission tickets for the Liverpool match can be purchased [here](#). For the Old Trafford match, the ticket also includes the men's match.

Danielle Hazell is the new captain of Lancashire Thunder. Other confirmed Thunder players so far are Australia's Jess Jonassen, England's Kate Cross and Sarah Taylor and the New Zealand duo of Amy Satterthwaite and Lea Tahuu. The full squad will be announced very shortly.

The Surrey Stars team will include Harmanpreet Kaur, who scored 171* in India's semi-final win over Australia, alongside England's Tammy Beaumont, Laura Marsh and Alex Hartley, Australia's Rene Farrell and South African Marizanne Kapp.

LEAGUE TABLES

Division 1	p	w	wcn	l	lcn	BatP	BowIP	Pen	NRR	Pts
Oakmere	9	6	1	1	1	4	1	0	1.7	170
Chester Boughton Hall	8	6	0	2	0	7	3	0	0.61	160
Stockport Trinity	8	5	0	3	0	7	9	1	0.92	140
Didsbury	8	3	1	4	0	8	12	0	-0.08	120
Appleton	6	4	0	2	0	5	5	0	-0.13	110

Division 2	p	w	l	lcn	t	BatP	BowIP	NRR	Pts
Wistaston Village	8	3	4	0	1	9	11	-0.63	110
Leigh	9	2	7	0	0	22	10	-0.65	82
Ashton-on-Mersey	7	2	5	0	0	18	11	-0.63	79
Oxton	7	1	4	1	1	11	11	-1.34	52

Each team in the top two divisions will play the others in their division at home and away, plus one fixture against each of the teams in the other division. Teams will play 12 matches in total in division one and 11 in division two. One up one down promotion and relegation will apply between the two divisions.

Division 3	p	w	l	BatP	BowIP	NRR	Pts
Stockport Georgians	8	7	1	4	3	1.12	182
Didsbury 2 nd XI	7	6	1	4	3	1.32	157
Hawarden Park	6	3	3	10	5	0.56	90
Woodley	5	2	3	9	11	0.61	70
Lymm Oughtrington Park	6	0	6	22	7	-2.81	29
Chester Boughton Hall 2 nd XI	4	0	4	5	5	-2.95	10

The division three teams will play each other home and away.

T20 Eastern Division	p	w	l	lcn	wcn	t	NRR	Pts
Stockport Trinity Fire (Division Winners)	3	2	0	0	1	0	1.88	9
Ashton-on-Mersey	2	0	1	0	0	1	-1.39	2
Woodley	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
Didsbury Swordettes	1	0	1	0	0	0	-1.1	0

In the T20 regional divisions teams play the others in their division once. The winners of the Western and Eastern Divisions will meet in the Final.

Other league tables:

[Under 17 A Division Group 1 Table](#)

[Under 17 T20 Group 1 Table](#)

[Under 15 A Division Group 1 Table](#)

[Under 15 T20 Group 2 Table](#)

[Under 13 B Division Group 1 Table](#)

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

Monday July 24

Cheshire Women's League (1830):
Division Three: Didsbury 2nd XI v Woodley

Tuesday July 25

Knockout Cup Semi-Final (1830): Stockport Trinity Fire v Chester Boughton Hall Deemons
Women's Under 15 County T20 Group 2 (1030 & 1330): Cheshire v Leicestershire & Cumbria (at Newtown Linford)

Wednesday July 26

Cheshire Women's League (1830):
Division Three: Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI v Lymm Oughtrington Park

Thursday July 27

Women's Under 17 County Championship A Division Group 1: Durham v Cheshire (at Darlington RA)

Friday July 28

Women's Under 17 County T20 Group 1 (1330 & 1630): Cheshire v Yorkshire & Durham (at Darlington)

Sunday July 30

Cheshire Women's League (1330):
Division One/Two Cross-Divisional: Appleton v Ashton-on-Mersey
Division Three: Didsbury 2nd XI v Hawarden Park, Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI v Stockport Georgians
Women's County T20 Division 3 Group B (1030 & 1330): Cheshire v Leicestershire & Shropshire (at Long Whatton)

Monday July 31

T20 Divisional Competition (1830):
Eastern Division: Woodley v Didsbury Swordettes
Women's Under 15 County Championship A Division Group 1 (1200): Cheshire v Nottinghamshire (at Macclesfield)

Tuesday August 1

T20 Divisional Competition (1830): Chester Boughton Hall Deemons v Oakmere Kats
Women's Under 13 County Championship B Division Group 1: (1200): Shropshire v Cheshire (at Market Drayton)

Wednesday August 2

Women's Under 17 County Championship A Division Group 1: Cheshire v Nottinghamshire (at Chester Boughton Hall)
Women's Under 15 County Championship A Division Group 1 (1200): Cheshire v Durham (at Warrington)
Women's Under 13 County Championship B Division Group 1: Cheshire v Leicestershire

Friday August 4

Senior Representative Match (1100): Cheshire Women's League XI v MCC (at Ashton-on-Mersey)

Sunday August 6

Cheshire Women's League (1330):

Division One: Appleton v Chester Boughton Hall, Stockport Trinity v Oakmere

Division Two: Oxton v Leigh

Division One/Two Cross-Divisional: Didsbury v Ashton-on-Mersey

Division Three: Stockport Georgians v Lymm Oughtrington Park, Woodley v Hawarden Park

Monday August 7

Cheshire Women's League (1830):

Division Three: Didsbury 2nd XI v Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI