

NATIONAL KNOCKOUT

Regional Semi-Final – June 12:

Nantwich Vipers 116-3 (20; Madi Hudson 58*, Katie Haszledine 39)
Didsbury Swordettes 107-5 (20; Hannah Jones 34, Roshini Prince-Navaratnam 25)

- Nantwich are through to the northern regional final for the second year in succession after seeing off Didsbury, who progressed to that stage in both 2018 and 2019. Although their Thunder professional Hannah Jones was available for her club for the first time this year, and duly delivered a fine spell of four overs for six runs, Nantwich produced a fine batting display, scoring freely off the other bowlers, with the only wickets falling to run outs in the closing overs, following the opening stand of 110. Didsbury's star names produced runs of their own in reply, but the Vipers attack kept the batters' strike rates below 100. Nantwich now face Sessay in a repeat of last year's northern final, but this time the Cheshire club have home advantage for the encounter on July 3.

Plate Regional Semi-Final – June 12:

Leigh 93-4 (20; Jaimie-Lee Strang 36, Peyton Hulme 2-16)
Porthill Park Northern Stars 97-2 (17.2; Tilly Kesteven 54*)

- Porthill will represent the League in the regional Plate final on the same day, where they will entertain Tynedale. Leigh were seeking a second successive appearance in the regional Plate final, but were denied by Tilly Kesteven's blistering 54 from 23 deliveries.

CHESHIRE WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Division One – June 2:

Didsbury 83 (36.2; Rosie Davis 22, Abbey Gore 2-8, Emily Page 2-12, Georgia Heath 2-14) (6pts)
Appleton 87-7 (27.1; Rebecca Othick 36*, Heath 32, Stacey Miles 2-8, Nalisha Patel 2-15) (25pts)

- Didsbury became the last team in the first division to lose their unbeaten record in this exciting low scoring contest. Appleton's bowlers looked to have put them in charge at the halfway point, only to be reduced to 9-4 early in their reply. Rebecca Othick and Georgia Heath then added 62 for the fifth wicket and, although there was another flurry of wickets before the end, Othick remained steadfast to complete this potentially vital win. The title race certainly remains wide open.

Leigh 172-6 (40; Rachael Walsh 80*, Ellie Davey 55, Charlotte Kirk 2-29, Madi Hudson 2-30) (25pts)
Nantwich 71 (30.3; Morganne Prince 28, Emma Capper 3-20, Gaby Crabb 2-6, Millie Baldwin 2-13) (4pts)

- One of the teams definitely still in title contention is Leigh. After finishing bottom of last year's first division, they have been boosted by a number of excellent new signings, and the team certainly gave a commanding performance here to see off Nantwich. After an uncertain start, Rachael Walsh and Ellie Davey produced a century stand for the fourth wicket, taking Leigh beyond four runs per over. Their bowlers then took regular wickets in reply to complete this victory.

June 5:

Didsbury v Stockport Georgians – Cancelled due to rain, 8pts each

June 12:

Stockport Trinity 99 (34.3; Ellie Mason 33, Eleanor Brennan 27, Ali Cutler 3-18, Georgia Munro 3-22) (5pts)

Chester Boughton Hall 101-5 (22.2; Cutler 45, Meg Cureton 24*, Georgia Bath 2-18, Brennan 2-18) (25pts)

- Chester's good run continued here, with Ali Cutler starring with bat and ball, and Meg Cureton standing firm to see her side home after a middle order collapse threatened to derail the run chase.

Appleton 134-7 (40; Annie Rashid 46*, Abbey Gore 21, Amelie Batey 3-21, Lucy Neill 2-21) (25pts)
Stockport Georgians 83 (30.2; Neill 28*, Jess Lewis 2-7, Emily Page 2-11, Kathryn Jackson 2-23, Olivia Horsfield 2-26) (6pts)

- Another division one team with only one defeat to their name are Appleton, although they had to rely on their varied and talented bowling attack to pull off this win after posting a modest total batting first.

Division Two – June 5:

Oxton v Leyland – Cancelled due to rain, 8pts each

June 12:

Lindow 188 (29.5; Heidi Cheadle 131, Philippa Dagger 2-22, Sophie Morris 2-28, Olivia Taylor 2-44, Lily Scudder 2-45) (25pts)

Upton 125-5 (35; L Scudder 44, Morris 27*, Jo Seddon 2-7) (9pts)

- Lindow ended Upton's 100 per cent record and maintained their own perfect start in division two. Heidi Cheadle, a prolific scorer in the New South Wales women's first grade during the last Australian summer, made her first three figure score on English soil, blasting 14 fours and four sixes in her 85-ball knock.

Oxton 146-8 (35;) (25pts)

Hawarden Park 105-8 (35;) (7pts)

(No further details available at present)

- Oxton also remain unbeaten in the race for top spot.

Woodley (25pts) w/o Ashton-on-Mersey (minus 10pts)

Matches that should be re-arranged:

Woodley v Hawarden (ground availability)

Division Three West – May 30:

Nantwich 2nd XI 91-3 (20; C Walker 38*, Ashlee Prince 29) (6pts)

Chester Boughton Hall 92-2 (18.4; Gemma Rose 42*) (25pts)

- Just 21 deliveries for 42 runs from Gemma Rose made this run chase relatively comfortable for Chester.

Matches that can be re-arranged: Appleton 2nd XI v Porthill Park (rain on original date), Chester BH 2nd XI v Appleton 2nd XI (Appleton unable to fulfil on original date)

Division Three East – June 6:

Didsbury 2nd XI 99-5 (20; Zoe Rigley 44, Helen Johnson 22, Becky Scholes 3-11) (7pts)
Stockport Georgians 2nd XI 102-3 (17.1; Louisa Boyle 53*) (25pts)

- Louisa Boyle's half century at a run per ball ensured Georgians got home with room to spare.

Matches that can be re-arranged: Hayfield v Greenfield

Division Four – June 8:

Lindow 2nd XI 76-6 (20; Rachel Hoyle 29, Claire Sanchez 2-14) (25pts)
Buxton 66-6 (20; Denise Morris 21, Charlotte Thompson 2-2, Issy Arkelaos 2-22) (6pts)

- Charlotte Thompson's five overs for two runs was the best of some impressive bowling figures on the Lindow team to bring home this victory.

June 12:

Stockport Georgians 3rd XI / North East Cheshire 49-6 (20; Heather Mukherjee 22) (2pts)
Lindow 2nd XI 50-2 (8.5; Sara Bracken 24*) (25pts)

- Another excellent result for Lindow, whose exceptionally strong squad is chasing title glory in both the second and fourth divisions.

Matches that can be re-arranged: Langley v Oakmere 2nd XI (rain on original date), Langley v Stockport Georgians 3rd XI / North East Cheshire (rain on original date), Heaton Mersey & Cheadle v Langley

Division Five East (Pairs scoring):

Toft 312, Macclesfield Silk 262

Division Five West:

Alvanley 321, Northwich 227
Neston 318, Wallasey 247
Alvanley 300, Wistaston Village 2nd XI 252
Runcorn Roses 498, Chester Boughton Hall 3rd XI 429
Alvanley 310, Wallasey 258

Club representatives are asked to take note of the email they received recently regarding incomplete scorecards on Play Cricket, and to make the requested additions promptly.

A plea for clubs to make me aware when matches don't take place in Divisions 3 and 4 and the T20 competitions. Please let me know also whether these games are called off due to weather conditions, ground unavailability or due to either side requesting re-arrangements.

The League's representative XI will play the MCC at Hawk Green CC on Thursday August 11 at 1130. Nominations will shortly be requested from club managers and captains. In the meantime, any regular player from the League is welcome to get in contact and let me know that they wish to be considered for selection in the League XI. Players with CWCL clubs based outside of Cheshire are most certainly welcome in the team, as are those that play senior or junior representative cricket for counties other than Cheshire. The only basic criteria are that you expect to be available on the day, and that you play regularly for a League member club.

Following discussions at the recent League Committee meeting, it was acknowledged that there is no longer any legal requirement to self-isolate due to Covid-19. However, the League is happy to allow clubs to request re-arrangements where they have three or more players who have chosen to isolate with a confirmed or suspected case of Covid. Any match postponed for this reason should be re-

arranged if possible, and if this isn't possible, the points that the two teams will receive for the fixture shall be their average points in completed matches across the season.

Please mark Wednesday August 10 in your diaries as the date of the next meeting of the League Committee.

Player loans: Jess Issacs from Heaton Mersey & Cheadle.to Stockport Georgians

LEAGUE TABLES

	Division 1	P	w	l	c	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Leigh</u>	5	4	1	0	4	5	1.25	109
2	<u>Appleton</u>	5	4	1	0	4	3	0.91	107
3	<u>Oakmere</u>	5	3	2	0	10	7	-0.06	92
4	<u>Didsbury</u>	5	3	1	1	2	4	0.89	89
5	<u>Chester Boughton Hall</u>	4	3	1	0	1	5	0.01	81
6	<u>Stockport Georgians</u>	5	1	3	1	5	11	-0.81	49
7	<u>Nantwich</u>	5	1	4	0	9	13	-0.56	47
8	<u>Stockport Trinity</u>	6	0	6	0	20	15	-1.55	35

	Division 2	P	w	wcn	l	lcn	c	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Upton</u>	4	3	0	1	0	0	4	5	0.58	84
2	<u>Oxton</u>	4	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	2.41	83
3	<u>Lindow</u>	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.44	75
4	<u>Leyland</u>	4	1	1	1	0	1	4	5	0.94	67
5	<u>Hawarden Park</u>	4	1	0	3	0	0	8	10	-0.24	43
6	<u>Woodley</u>	4	0	1	2	1	0	1	4	-2.29	20
7	<u>Ashton-on-Mersey</u>	5	0	0	2	3	0	3	6	-3.26	-21

Division 3 West		P	w	l	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Wistaston Village</u>	5	2	3	2	8	-0.8	60
2	<u>Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI</u>	2	2	0	0	0	1.69	50
3	<u>Appleton 2nd XI</u>	2	2	0	0	0	1.5	50
4	<u>Porthill Park</u>	2	1	1	5	4	0.99	34
5	<u>Nantwich 2nd XI</u>	3	0	3	7	5	-1.16	12

Division 3 East		P	w	l	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Didsbury 2nd XI</u>	2	1	1	5	2	1.55	32
2	<u>Stockport Georgians 2nd XI</u>	2	1	1	0	1	-2.05	26
3	<u>Greenfield</u>	1	1	0	0	0	3.7	25
4	<u>Hayfield</u>	1	1	0	0	0	3.65	25
5	<u>Hawk Green</u>	2	0	2	3	4	-3.38	7

Division 4		P	w	l	BatP	BowIP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Lindow 2nd XI</u>	4	4	0	0	0	1.11	100
2	Heaton Mersey & <u>Cheadle</u>	2	2	0	0	0	2.6	50
3	<u>Langley</u>	2	2	0	0	0	2.58	50
4	<u>Oakmere 2nd XI</u>	2	2	0	0	0	0.12	50
5	<u>Buxton</u>	4	1	3	10	7	-0.59	42
6	<u>Lymm Oughtrington Park</u>	4	0	4	15	12	-1.63	27
7	<u>Stockport Georgians 3rd XI</u> / North East Cheshire	4	0	4	14	10	-1.79	24

T20 DIVISIONAL COMPETITION

Western Division – May 24:

Chester Boughton Hall Deemons w/o Oakmere Kats

Fixtures awaiting re-arrangement:

Appleton v Nantwich

Oxton v Appleton – Appleton unable to fulfil fixture on original date

Eastern Division – May 24:

Stockport Trinity Fire 145-3 (20; Ellie Mason 41ret, Kate Harvey 30, Carys White 23, Fiona Reeve 2-18)

Woodley 27 (16.4; Emma Royle 3-0, Abby Lamidey 2-1, Katherine Monk 2-7)

- Despite not having a league win to their name, Trinity remain unbeaten in the pink ball game this year. This commanding win saw Emma Royle join the select club – whose existing members include Chester's Lorna Starkey and Annette Axon – of those who have bowled a full four overs in a T20 competition without conceding a run. Abby Lamidey also came within a whisker of joining her.

KNOCKOUT CUPS

Senior Knockout Quarter Final - June 6:

Nantwich Vipers 110-6 (20; Beth Hughes 35, Grace Michell 26, Emma Tarpey 3-20. Sarah Worsdale 2-24)

Oakmere Kats 65-5 (20; Nicola Deane 22*, Charlotte Kirk 5-16)

- Charlotte Kirk's spell destroyed a powerful looking Oakmere top order to make her side the first to make the last four.

June 9:

Chester Boughton Hall Deemons 107-5 (20; Ali Cutler 35, Meg Cureton 29, Amelie Batey 2-19)

Stockport Georgians 105-7 (20; Liv Bell 40ret, Tess Bailey 28, Charlie Thompson 4-12)

- An exciting contest that was edged by Chester, with Charlie Thompson's two bowling spells possibly the crucial factor.

June 10:

Lindow 124-5 (20; Libby Ackerley 40ret, Grace Hemsted 26, Heidi Cheadle 24, Emma Royle 2-17)

Stockport Trinity Fire 125-0 (15.5; Mason 40ret, Kate Harvey 40ret, Carys White 36*)

- Trinity recorded a decisive win to book a semi-final at Chester. This match promised a mouthwatering encounter between Heidi Cheadle and Ellie Mason, undoubtedly two of the league's finest opening batters, and there was plenty of entertainment from this pair, and from others, for the audience watching via a live stream. Although Cheadle raced to 24 from 14 deliveries, it was Mason who struck the first blow by removing Lindow's Aussie star. Libby Ackerley kept the momentum going once Cheadle had departed, and the Wilmslow club duly posted a target in excess of six per over. However, this total posed little difficulty for Trinity, with Mason giving them the usual flying start, hitting seven fours and a six in her 23-ball knock of 40 retired. Kate Harvey (40 retired from 39 deliveries) and Carys White (unbeaten on 36 from 32 balls) got their side home for no loss with 25 balls remaining.

Development Knockout

Fixtures awaiting re-arrangement: Greenfield v Langley