

CHESHIRE WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Division One – July 17:

Stockport Trinity 150-6 (40; Carys White 52, Freya Jones 43, Ella Smith 2-18, Gaby Crabb 2-23) (6pts)

Leigh 151-2 (18.4; Jaimie-Lee Strang 45*, Rachael Walsh 38, Smith 33*) (25pts)

- Leigh again illustrated their powerful batting line up and are now unbeaten since the second week of the season, when they went down to Didsbury. So, are Leigh now marching on to a first league title?

Nantwich 209-6 (40; Seren Smale 96, Madi Hudson 65, Charlie Thompson 3-33, Daisy Cooke 2-27) (25pts)

Chester Boughton Hall 166 (39.2; Georgia Munro 31, Meg Cureton 28, Amber Mays 24, Gemma Rose 24*, Bethan Hughes 3-46, Charlotte Kirk 2-25, Kelsey Barker 2-35) (8pts)

- Another big opening stand (151) between Seren Smale and Madi Hudson got Nantwich off to a flyer, and, although several Chester batters did well in reply, the target proved just too big.

July 24:

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

Oakmere 6-1 (4.4) (9pts)

Chester Boughton Hall dnb (9pts)

Leigh 70-1 (14; Rachael Walsh 52*) (13pts)

Didsbury dnb (9pts)

- The wettest Sunday of the year so far prevented any meaningful action. The potentially crucial encounter between Didsbury and Leigh was one of those to ultimately be classed as a no result game, with the most noteworthy action of the day being a third half-century of the year for Rachael Walsh.

Matches that can be re-arranged: Stockport Georgians v Appleton (Covid)

Division Two – July 17:

Leyland 215-6 (40; Hannah Snape 66, Eleanor Boardman 37, Alice Lamb 27, Isobel Cordingley 25, Alexa Harrison 2-19) (25pts)

Oxton 101 (26.1; Tessie Nickson 52, Olivia Cunliffe 2-9, Nicola Greaves 2-39) (6pts)

- After a slower start due to another miserly spell from Alexa Harrison, Leyland's innings moved into overdrive when Hannah Snape took to the crease at number six and hit 66 from 46 deliveries. Tessie Nickson shone in reply, but Leyland were soon taking the regular wickets at the other end that would lead them to a commanding win.

Hawarden Park (25pts) w/o Woodley (minus 10pts)

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

July 24:

Lindow v Woodley – Cancelled due to rain, 8pts each

Matches that should be re-arranged:

Woodley v Hawarden (ground availability)

Division Three West – July 11:

Nantwich 2nd XI 103-6 (20; Katie Conroy 35, Flo Seymour 22, Lucy McCarten 2-17) (6pts)
Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI 104-1 (14.1; Daisy Cooke 34*, Ffion Jones 27*) (25pts)

- A comfortable win for Chester keeps them in the title hunt

July 13:

Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI (25pts) w/o Appleton 2nd XI (minus 10pts)

Matches that can be re-arranged: Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI v Appleton 2nd XI (Appleton unable to fulfil fixture on original date)

Division Three East – July 11:

Greenfield 131-3 (20; Bethany Garforth 43ret, Zoe Cuthill 36, Megan Russell 28*, Pooja Singh 2-12) (25pts)
Didsbury 2nd XI 110-3 (20; Helen Johnson 52*, Amy Walkman 43) (7pts)

- Despite an opening stand of 86, Didsbury were unable to score at the required rate as Greenfield got back to winning ways.

July 17:

Didsbury 2nd XI 79 (25; Helen Johnson 32, Olivia Downs-Haskell 4-11, Lily Dalkin-Strube 2-14) (25pts)
Hayfield 67 (21.1; Charlotte Peacock 14, Pooja Singh 3-6, Sufiya Patel 2-10, Georgina Birkingshaw 2-14) (6pts)

- Hayfield lost their first league game of the year, indeed this now means that no team has gone through the season unbeaten in any division of the league. It all seemed to be going Hayfield's way at the halfway point, but Pooja Singh's spell led the way to ensure the win would be Didsbury's.

Matches that should be re-arranged: Stockport Georgians 2nd XI v Hayfield (ground availability).
Matches that can be re-arranged: Stockport Georgians 2nd XI v Hawk Green (weather conditions on original date), Hawk Green v Stockport Georgians 2nd XI (Georgians unable to fulfil fixture on original date)

Division Four – July 11:

Heaton Mersey & Cheadle 152-4 (20; Jessica Isaacs 76*, Olivia Randles 22, Lorna Stevens 2-36) (25pts)
Langley 95-1 (20; Carolyn Jones 39*) (7pts)

- Jessica Isaacs led the way to a large and unassailable total here.

Buxton 120-4 (20; Simone Harch 25ret, Kat Martin 25ret, Lucy Gardiner 2-20) (25pts)
Lymm Oughtrington Park 96-5 (20; Sally Casson 25ret, Gardiner 25ret, Siena Jackson 2-19) (7pts)

- Esther Buxton's return of one for seven in her five overs was perhaps the standout performance as Buxton recorded their second victory.

July 14:

Langley 56 (18; Anne Chadwick 11, Emily Faulkner 3-6, Charlotte King 3-8, Tilda Williams 2-3) (2pts)
Oakmere 2nd XI 57-0 (8; Hannah Leslie 28*, Faulkner 25*) (25pts)

- A swift and decisive win for Oakmere.

Stockport Georgians 3rd XI / North East Cheshire 86-8 (20; Olivia Norbury 19, Nicola Grainger 3-23, Kelly Bunting 2-14) (7pts)
Buxton 87-3 (19.2; Helen Szotakowicz 30*) (25pts)

- Buxton won in the last over to maintain their recent good form.

July 17:

Oakmere 2nd XI 101-2 (20; Lauren Bettley 31*, Carol Ingham 27*) (8pts)
Buxton 102-6 (17.3; Kat Martin 36) (25pts)

- Kat Martin remained at the crease until only four were needed, ensuring she guided Buxton to victory, despite the loss of regular wickets at the other end.

Langley (25pts) w/o Heaton Mersey & Cheadle (minus 10pts)

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

Please note that there is no compulsory retirement of batters at any score in this division, and anything clubs choose to do in this respect is entirely their choice.

Division Five East (Pairs scoring):

Macclesfield Treacle 409, Stockport 200

Division Five West:

Alvanley beat Irby – no further details available
Irby 313, Wallasey 259
Northwich 225, Runcorn Roses dnb - abandoned

Player loans:

Jen Lamidey & Jenny Wallace – Langley to Stockport Trinity, Imogen Bell – Hawk Green to Stockport Trinity, Rachel Warrenger – Hawarden Park to Oakmere.

I have pleasure in announcing the League representative team to play MCC on Thursday August 11 at Hawk Green CC:

Roshini Prince-Navaratnam (Didsbury, captain), Marianne Lea, Rosie Davis, Hannah Marshall (Didsbury), Gemma Rose, Nandu Vailliyil, Daisy Cooke (Chester BH), Eleanor Brennan (Stockport Trinity), Heidi Cheadle (Lindow), Jaimie-Lee Strang (Leigh), Laura Nicholls (Hawarden Park). Additional fielders: Zoe Conway (Didsbury), Emily Murray (Lindow). Scorer: Nicola Deane (Hawarden Park).

The League Committee is aware of a recent increase in the number of reports of possible inappropriate player conduct from some recent matches. All teams and players are reminded of the Spirit of Cricket, which forms a pre-amble to the Laws of Cricket. They are also reminded of the penalty runs that can be imposed under Law 42 for various offences, and of the fact that reports of alleged misconduct can be reported to the Disciplinary Committee.

The next League Committee meeting will take place on Wednesday August 10 at Oakmere CC. The main meeting will be preceded by an Extraordinary General Meeting at 1930, which will consider:

- The election of a new League Secretary
- The adoption of the ECB's Anti-Discrimination Code

LEAGUE TABLES

	Division 1	P	w	wcn	l	lcn	t	a	c	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Leigh</u>	9	7	0	1	0	0	1	0	9	5	1.8	197
2	<u>Chester Boughton Hall</u>	10	5	0	4	0	0	1	0	10	15	-0.48	158
3	<u>Oakmere</u>	10	4	0	5	0	0	1	0	24	19	-0.25	151
4	<u>Didsbury</u>	8	5	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	5	0.96	148
5	<u>Nantwich</u>	10	4	0	4	0	1	0	1	9	13	0.41	145
6	<u>Appleton</u>	8	4	0	3	0	1	0	0	8	11	0.12	134
7	<u>Stockport Georgians</u>	9	2	0	5	0	0	0	2	11	17	-0.19	94
8	<u>Stockport Trinity</u>	10	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	32	19	-1.89	76

	Division 2	P	w	wcn	l	lcn	c	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Leyland</u>	9	4	2	2	0	1	7	8	1.05	173
2	<u>Lindow</u>	8	4	2	1	0	1	5	3	1.85	166
3	<u>Upton</u>	7	5	0	2	0	0	9	7	0.65	141
4	<u>Hawarden Park</u>	8	3	1	4	0	0	14	11	-0.35	125
5	<u>Oxton</u>	7	2	2	2	0	1	7	6	-0.65	121
6	<u>Woodley</u>	8	0	1	3	3	1	5	7	-1.94	15
7	<u>Ashton-on-Mersey</u>	9	0	0	4	5	0	12	9	-2.21	-29

	Division 3 West	P	w	wcn	I	lcn	a	c	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI</u>	6	4	1	1	0	0	0	5	4	1.12	134
2	<u>Porthill Park</u>	7	2	2	1	0	1	1	6	9	1.33	131
3	<u>Appleton 2nd XI</u>	8	4	0	1	2	0	1	5	3	0.84	96
4	<u>Nantwich 2nd XI</u>	8	1	0	6	0	1	0	23	12	-1.13	68
5	<u>Wistaston Village</u>	7	2	0	4	1	0	0	5	9	-0.92	54

	Division 3 East	P	w	I	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Greenfield</u>	5	4	1	5	2	2.27	107
2	<u>Hayfield</u>	5	4	1	1	5	2.47	106
3	<u>Didsbury 2nd XI</u>	6	2	4	11	8	-1.06	69
4	<u>Stockport Georgians 2nd XI</u>	3	1	2	1	5	-1.76	31
5	<u>Hawk Green</u>	3	0	3	4	7	-3.67	11

Division 4		P	w	wcn	l	lcn	t	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Lindow</u> 2 nd XI	7	6	0	1	0	0	5	3	1.1	158
2	<u>Oakmere</u> 2 nd XI	9	3	1	4	0	1	20	11	0.02	146
3	<u>Stockport Georgians</u> 3 rd XI / North East Cheshire	9	4	0	5	0	0	14	10	-0.42	124
4	<u>Langley</u>	7	3	1	2	0	1	7	2	0.11	124
5	<u>Buxton</u>	8	4	0	4	0	0	14	8	-0.17	122
6	Heaton Mersey & <u>Cheadle</u>	8	5	0	1	2	0	5	3	1.61	113
7	<u>Lymm Oughtrington Park</u>	8	0	0	8	0	0	32	20	-1.68	52

T20 Eastern Division (FINAL)		P	w	wcn	l	lcn	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Stockport Trinity Fire (CH)</u>	5	4	0	1	0	1.71	12
2	<u>Didsbury Swordettes</u>	5	2	2	1	0	1.27	12
3	<u>Stockport Georgians</u>	5	2	1	2	0	0.78	9
4	<u>Lindow</u>	5	3	0	2	0	1.32	9
5	<u>Woodley</u>	5	0	1	2	2	-4.53	1
6	<u>Ashton-on-Mersey</u>	5	0	0	3	2	-4.04	-2

T20 DIVISIONAL COMPETITION

Western Division – July 18:

Nantwich Vipers w/o Oxtou

Fixtures awaiting possible re-arrangement:

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

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

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

Eastern Division – July 20:

Stockport Trinity Fire 75-5 (20; Gillian Spragg 23*, Emilia Rossi 4-7)

Lindow 80-3 (10.4; Heidi Cheadle 35*, Claire Ashworth 34, Abbey Lamidey 2-35)

- Emilia Rossi tore through Trinity's top order, before the job was completed by Heidi Cheadle and Claire Ashworth each scoring at better than one run per ball. The defeat, however, did not prevent Trinity from claiming top spot in the division and securing a place in a second cup final.

July 21:

Stockport Georgians 159-4 (20; Erica Sanders 41ret, Lucy Neill 34)
Ashton-on-Mersey 52-5 (12; Amanda Gettins 10, Beth Caunce 10, Liv Bell 3-10, Cleo Johnson 2-19)
(Georgians win on faster scoring rate)

- Rapid scoring from Erica Sanders and Lucy Neill set Georgians up for a big total and a final victory in this year's competition.

Didsbury Swordettes w/o Woodley

KNOCKOUT CUPS

Senior Knockout Semi-Final – July 14:

Nantwich Vipers 116-5 (20; Beth Hughes 29*, Madi Hudson 25, Katie Haszeldine 24, Grace Michell 21, Annie Rashid 2-20)
Appleton Tigers 116-7 (20; Holly McCurrie 42ret, Georgia Heath 26, Rashid 21, Haszeldine 2-17, Flo Seymour 2-18)

- Five days after their tied league match, these two clubs, remarkably, served up another level scoring game. On this occasion, a definite winner was required, and so it is Nantwich who are through to their first CWCL senior cup final. The Vipers didn't get anyone to 30 runs, but they had four players who all reached the 20s while scoring at a rapid rate. Their bowlers then held their nerve as Holly McCurrie and Georgia Heath threatened to chase down the total.

July 18:

Chester Boughton Hall Deemons 112-8 (20; Amber Mays 31, Abbey Lamidey 4-18, Ellie Mason 2-27)
Stockport Trinity Fire 116-2 (19.2; Mason 40ret, Carys White 37*)

- Trinity will be in the Knockout Final on August 21 seeking to regain the cup that they won in 2019. Amber Mays and Ali Cutler got Chester off to a good start at 42-1, but they lost regular wickets thereafter to Abbey Lamidey and the rest of the Stockport attack. Trinity's chase started well as Ellie Mason hit 40 from 28 balls, and Carys White kept up the run per ball scoring rate thereafter to see them home in the final over.

Development Knockout Quarter Final – July 21:

Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI 121-1 (20; Ava Rogers 28ret, Hannah Thorley 26ret, Ffion Jones 25ret)
Stockport Georgians 2nd XI 83-2 (20; Amelie Batey 25ret, Becky Scholes 22*)

- Chester's trio of retired batters led them to what was ultimately a winning total.

Semi Final – July 22:

Nantwich 2nd XI 96-5 (20; Sophie Winward 22*, Lily Dalkin-Strube 3-8)
Hayfield 97-3 (19.2; Dalkin-Strube 26ret, Charlotte Peacock 25ret)

- The holders exited the competition here, in a repeat of last year's final. Lily Dalkin-Strube produced a fine bowling spell and then played a significant role with the bat as well for Hayfield.

NATIONAL KNOCKOUT

Plate National Semi-Final - July 17:

Moreton 116-4 (20; Eleanor Ingram 38, Georgia Haworth 25*, Amelie Trivedi 20, Luana Sims 2-19)
Porthill Park Northern Stars 117-2 (14.3; Tilly Kesteven 54*, Matilda Gater 24)

- Porthill eased to victory to become the first League club to reach the final of a national competition.

OTHER NEWS

Cheshire Cricket Board is delighted to announce the return of its award-winning 'Following On' Course for boys and girls aged 16-19. 'Following On' aims to grow the volunteer base for affiliated cricket clubs and enhance candidates' skills across a range of disciplines, including coaching, umpiring, scoring and grounds management. The course is delivered by professional staff from Cheshire Cricket Board.