## **CHESHIRE WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

#### **Division One – August 29:**

Nantwich 153-5 (40; Beth Hughes 32, Flo Seymour 27, Charlotte Rimmer 27, Izzi Pearson 24, Rosy Wilson 2-27) (25pts)

Didsbury 100 (35.2; Roshini Prince-Navaratnam 30, Franzisca Callwood 3-16, Hughes 2-11) (6pts)

 A comfortable win for Nantwich as Didsbury's excellent start to their run chase was swiftly followed by a collapse. The major damage was inflicted when Beth Hughes bowled her miserly spell in tandem with new acquisition Franzisca Callwood.

## September 4:

Leigh 125 (37.1; Danielle Collins 37, Sophie Heaton 28\*, Beth Hughes 3-16, Kelsey Barker 3-25, Sophie Winward 2-18) (25pts)

Nantwich 116 (34.4; Hughes 43, Gaby Crabb 3-16, Heaton 2-23) (8pts)

• Leigh's transformation over the last 12 months is now complete. Bottom of division one last year and only reprieved thanks to an expansion of the first division, they are now league champions for the first time. Leigh secured two excellent new additions in Rachael Walsh and Jaimie-Lee Strang, but the rest of the team has largely been similar to last year. For once, Leigh's strong batting line-up failed to fire, and for a while it seemed like the efforts of Beth Hughes and others might make Leigh wait another week to clinch the Championship. However, while their batters may have made the headlines this year, all of their regular bowlers have made key contributions, albeit less eye-catching ones, and Gaby Crabb led the way with the ball here to ensure the celebrations could commence.

Appleton 256-6 (40; Georgia Heath 116\*, Holly McCurrie 51, Annie Rashid 27, Stacey Miles 2-21) (25pts)

Didsbury 119 (38.1; Zoe Conway 37, Kathryn Jackson 3-10, Amy Seddon 3-14) (6pts)

 Appleton continued their winning run by strengthening their grip on second place. While their bowlers might have played the major role in some of the recent victories, here Appleton became the latest team to post a big team score in what has been a very high scoring season. Those present here were treated to an extraordinary innings from Georgia Heath, whose 116 came from 68 balls, with 21 fours and three sixes, and furthermore, she only needed 47 deliveries to reach three figures.

Oakmere 205-6 (40; Phoebe Cottam 66, Sarah Worsdale 52, Eleanor Brennan 4-31) (25pts) Stockport Trinity 161 (33.3; Ellie Mason 119\*, Sophie Connor 4-21, Leah Holland 3-13) (8pts)

Ellie Mason made her third century of the year, but her Stockport Trinity side went down to a
defeat that all but mathematically confirms they will finish bottom of division one and will
therefore be relegated unless a league re-structure takes place.

Stockport Georgians 66 (21.2; Lucy Neill 26, Ali Cutler 6-15) (4pts)
Chester Boughton Hall 67-5 (15.4; Cutler 34, Cleo Johnson 2-12, Neill 2-19) (25pts)

Ali Cutler recorded the best bowling figures in any CWCL competition this year to send
Georgians to a defeat that leaves them two points short of mathematically securing their first
division status for next year. The Chester run chase might also have been much harder had it
not been for Cutler's efforts with the bat.

#### **Division Two - August 7:**

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

## August 21:

Ashton-on-Mersey 122-6 (35; Amanda Gettins 55\*, Daisy White 4-13) (7pts) Leyland 123-6 (20; Olivia Cunliffe 44, E Hillier 3-23, Gettins 2-33) (25pts)

Amanda Gettins got Ashton off to a good start, but Leyland recovered to record a seventh win
of the year, which temporarily takes them back to top spot.

## September 4:

Oxton 81 (35; Madi Arthur 5-?) (4pts) Upton 82-3 (16; Arthur 24) (Limited details available at present)

• Led by Madi Arthur's contributions, Upton took another step closer to securing the title in what has been the league's most closely fought division this year. The Wirral club will certainly be champions if they secure 32 points from their remaining two matches. There is actually a scenario that could see either of Upton or Lindow wrap up the title this Sunday – for Upton to be champions they simply need to beat Leyland, while Lindow lose to Hawarden. Lindow need to beat Hawarden and hope Leyland restrict Upton to six points or fewer. If neither of these occurs, then it goes to September 18, when Upton play Oxton once again.

Lindow (25pts) w/o Woodley (minus 10pts)

# **Division Three West - August 28:**

Porthill Park Northern Stars 145-6 (20; Ella Sharpe 86, Lucy McCarten 2-34) (25pts) Chester Boughton Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 105-6 (20; Gemma Rose 53\*, Izzy Higgins 2-5, Peyton Hulme 2-17) (8pts)

Chester Boughton Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 90-6 (20; Gemma Rose 30, Evie Sharpe 2-24) (7pts) Porthill Park Northern Stars 94-4 (17.5; Peyton Hulme 49, Lucy McCarten 2-12) (25pts)

• Two more relatively comfortable wins confirmed the Northern Stars as champions of Division Three West for 2022. After losing their first game, the Potteries side have gone from strength to strength, and there were more excellent performances on show here.

## September 4:

Wistaston Village 88 (23.5; Toyin Higgs 32, Isla Johnson 3-7, Luana Sims 3-9) (5pts)
Porthill Park Northern Stars 89-5 (17.4; Sims 44\*, Emmy Hewett 3-35, Anna Bourne 2-16) (25pts)

• Having been one of the best bowlers earlier, Luana Sims led the divisional winners home with the bat after they had been reduced to 44-5.

Chester Boughton Hall 2nd XI v Appleton  $2^{nd}$  XI - Appleton unable to fulfil fixture on original date and never re-arranged. Awarded to Chester BH - 25/minus 10pts

# **Division Three East – August 18:**

Didsbury 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 77-1 (11; Zoe Rigley 26\*) (13pts) Stockport Georgians 2<sup>nd</sup> XI dnb (9pts) (Abandoned)

• Didsbury made a fantastic start to this match, but the weather denied them the chance to push for victory.

#### August 25:

Stockport Georgians 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 69-7 (15; Louisa Boyle 34, Zoe Cuthill 4-7, Amelia Buckley 2-4) (6pts) Greenfield 70-1 (11; Megan Russell 32)

 After a decent start, Georgians struggled against the bowling of Zoe Cuthill and Amelia Buckley in the later overs, with Greenfield eventually running out comfortable winners.

## September 1:

Hawk Green 54-6 (15; Rebecca Edmundson 24\*, Amelie Batey 2-4) (4pts) Stockport Georgians 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 56-0 (7.5; Tess Bailey 29\*, Louisa Boyle 19\*) (25pts)

• Georgians wasted little time in completing a win that keeps them in the hunt for third place.

## September 4:

Hayfield 113 (23; Ruth Lomas 53, Rebecca Edmundson 4-14, Sia Singla 2-6, Sophie Aspin 2-6) (25pts)

Hawk Green 52 (18; K Higgins 20, Molly Doody 5-6) (5pts)

Hayfield are nine points away from the Division 3 East title. Ruth Lomas' half-century set the
foundations for this win, which was completed when Rosie Bradshaw struck with the first ball
of the reply and Molly Doody then ran through the rest of the Hawk Green top order.

Matches that can be re-arranged: Greenfield v Hawk Green (Hawk Green unable to fulfil fixture on original date)

#### **Division Four - August 23:**

Langley 68-4 (16; Carolyne Jones 17, Naz Hancioglu 2-3) (8pts) Lindow 2nd XI 71-6 (13.2; Alison Hodge 24, Charlotte Nadin 2-10, Claire Thorley 2-13) (25pts)

Lindow seconds became the first team to clinch a divisional title this year. Langley have also
had a good season and pushed the Wilmslow club all the way here, with regular wickets
falling in the run chase once the opening stand of 38 had been broken.

#### September 1:

Lindow 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 86-6 (16; Steph Walker 23\*, Charlotte King 3-10) (8pts)
Oakmere 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 76-6 (14; Rachel Tidd 25, Naz Hancioglu 3-16, Charlotte Thompson 2-11) (25pts)

 After a bad light stoppage, it was Oakmere who had edged past the divisional champions by the smallest of margins. Just one more run for Lindow in the first innings, or one fewer run in the second innings, would both have tipped the balance the other way.

# September 4:

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

A number of midweek matches in divisions 3 and 4 are still to be played, with the last of these to be played on September 13, when sunset is approximately 7.30pm. Clubs should note that each team needs the opportunity for at least 10 overs batting for there to be a result.

## **Division Five East (Pairs scoring):**

North East Cheshire 294, Stockport 249 Broadbottom 305, Macclesfield Silk 253

## **Division Five West:**

Wallasey v Wistaston Village 2<sup>nd</sup> XI – Match cancelled Runcorn Rebels 507, Alvanley 446 Runcorn Rebels 545, Runcorn Roses 472 Runcorn Rebels 515, Wallasey 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 381

• These three wins for Runcorn Rebels took them into third spot, but behind runners-up Alvanley and divisional winners Kingsley.

Thank you to all those who reserved places at the League 's Presentation Evening, to be held at Halton Stadium in Widnes on Saturday October 1. Payment must now be made for the tickets each club has purchased, so please send the necessary amount by bank transfer to Bob Halstead no later than September 17.

The next meeting of the League Committee will be on Wednesday September 28 at 1930, venue to be confirmed.

# **LEAGUE TABLES**

	Division 1	Р	W	I	t	а	С	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Leigh (</u> CH)	13	11	1	0	1	0	9	5	1.83	297
2	<u>Appleton</u>	12	8	3	1	0	0	8	11	0.95	234
3	<u>Didsbury</u>	13	7	4	0	1	1	11	16	0.34	218
4	<u>Oakmere</u>	13	6	6	0	1	0	27	23	-0.08	208
5	Chester Boughton Hall	13	6	6	0	1	0	16	15	-0.55	189
6	<u>Nantwich</u>	13	5	6	1	0	1	14	19	0.24	181
7	Stockport Georgians	12	2	8	0	0	2	18	26	-0.98	110
8	Stockport Trinity	13	1	12	0	0	0	38	24	-2.09	87

	Division 2	Р	w	wcn	I	lcn	С	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Lindow</u>	11	4	4	2	0	1	6	8	1.15	222
2	<u>Upton</u>	10	7	1	2	0	0	9	7	1.1	216
3	<u>Leyland</u>	11	5	2	3	0	1	11	11	0.94	205
4	<u>Hawarden Park</u>	10	5	1	4	0	0	14	11	-0.05	175
5	<u>Oxton</u>	10	2	2	4	1	1	12	10	-1.06	120
6	Woodley (REL)	10	0	1	3	5	1	5	7	-2.32	-5
7	Ashton-on-Mersey (REL)	12	0	1	5	6	0	16	12	-2.24	-7

	Division 3 West (FINAL)	Р	w	wcn	I	lcn	а	С	BatP	Bow	ΊP	NRR	ŀ
1	Porthill Park Northern Stars	12	7	2	1	0	1	1	6	9		2.04	2
2	Chester Boughton Hall 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	12	4	2	5	0	1	0	25	15	<b>;</b>	-0.01	1
3	Nantwich 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	12	3	1	7	0	1	0	27	13	,	-0.35	1
4	Wistaston Village	12	3	0	7	1	1	0	20	18	}	-1.28	1
5	Appleton 2nd XI	12	4	0	1	4	2	1	9	8		0.84	1
	Division 3 East	Р	w	1	а	С	BatP	Bov	wIP	NRR	Pts		
1	<u>Hayfield</u>	7	6	1	0	0	1	5	5	2.14	156		
2	<u>Greenfield</u>	7	5	2	0	0	10	5	5	1.64	140		
3	<u>Didsbury</u> 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	8	3	4	1	0	16	8	3	-0.71	107		
4	Stockport Georgians 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	6	2	3	1	0	6	7	7	-1.26	71		
5	<u>Hawk Green</u>	6	0	6	0	0	13	1:	3	-3.14	26		

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	Division 4	Р	w	wcn	I	lcn	t	а	С	BatP	BowlP	NRR	Pts
1	<u>Lindow</u> 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	11	8	0	3	0	0	0	0	15	8	0.88	223
2	<u>Buxton</u>	12	6	1	5	0	0	0	0	18	13	0.31	206
3	<u>Oakmere</u> 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	11	4	1	4	0	1	0	1	20	11	0.02	179
4	<u>Langley</u>	10	4	1	3	0	1	0	1	12	5	0.1	165
5	Stockport Georgians 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI / North East Cheshire	11	4	0	6	0	0	0	1	23	14	-0.47	145
6	Heaton Mersey & <u>Cheadle</u>	11	6	0	2	3	0	0	0	8	4	1.01	132
7	Lymm Oughtrington Park	10	0	0	9	0	0	0	1	35	22	-1.87	65