



THE 2025 WEEK 10 REVIEW

A sticky Saturday and fresher, showery Sunday saw plenty of entertaining cricket across the county, big scores, the last unbeaten team finally being toppled, and cup competitions taking shape.

Leaders Didsbury shrugged off their frustrating start to the WLD section of matches with an emphatic 186 run win over Bowdon after a spectacular batting display took apart an attack containing

father & son Chapple and Notts' Rob Lord. An opening stand of 169 between Tom Hafil (66) and Tim Hughes (129) was the perfect start, Hughes' last 7 inns. in all comps. now reading 79, 101, 83, 13, 78*, 100*, 129. Rob Sehmi then put on a truly dazzling show, the ball flying to all parts in his breathtaking 114 off just 47 bs (6x6 and 15x4) as Dids plundered 137 runs off 10 overs before declaring on 357-4. Bowdon replied brightly with 57 on the board inside 9 overs but from there Dids took control, three spinners sharing 8 wkts as Lord got a four-ball duck following his 11 overs going for 96. Hyde kept up their great run with a 75 run win over Neston, Ryan O'Brien (100*) making a second ton of the season in Hyde's 211-9, three quick wkts for Luke Young ripping the heart out of Neston's reply before Liam Bowe polished it off with 5-36.

Fifties from skipper Ed Galley & Joe Ashmore got Timperley to a modest-looking 204 at Oxton, 5 wkts each for Ollie Allen & Ian Souness, but it turned out to be plenty as Oxton collapsed, 44-2 turning into 76 all out. Ashmore added to his good day with 2-11 but Nathan Brown's spin proved too hot to handle, 4-13 his return as Timpers stay third. Nantwich kept up their pursuit with a fourth successive win, this one by 3 wkts in a fascinating clash with Lindow, who were quickly in strife at Whitehouse Lane with the board reading 38-4. Patience from Sam Battersby (71) and James Duffy (40) ultimately lifted Lindow to 186, Jason Foulkes 6-40 the highlight for the Dabbers, who were 0-2 after the first over of their reply and in a game. Luke Robinson's 89 (97 bs) proved crucial as a series of solid partnerships kept Nantwich just ahead despite a testing bowling effort, Foulkes' fine day rounded off by hitting the winning boundary.

Chester BH had a second successive poor away day as they took just one point from their trip to Alderley Edge, AE victorious by 4 wkts in a low-scoring match. Will Valentine took 6-53 (10 wkts in two games for him) as CBH were all out 153 and with bags of overs to use, AE had control, Arav Shetty's 67 (59 bs) the batting highlight as Chris Sanders (32* off 25) finished things off inside 28 overs. Bottom side Widnes took 14 pts away from a subdued struggle at Brooklands on a testing surface, Widnes making 224-8 after choosing to bat, Rohan Luthra top-scoring with 47, skipper Alex Hewitt making 40. Brooklands found it no easier as Palitha Kumara (5-53) and Aaqib Uppal bowled 31 overs between them, Ben Cunliffe's workmanlike 69 (103 bs) the only half-century of the day as Brooklands batted out on 195-8.

During the month of July 2025, the CCCL will be running our annual fundraiser, this year in aid of **Prostate Cancer UK**, to help them *Bowl Out Prostate Cancer*. We would love to break last year's record fundraising total of £17,000, but to do this we need your support.

Prostate Cancer UK is the leading charity in its field in the UK and is striving for a world where no man dies from prostate

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We are asking all cricket clubs within Cheshire during the month of July to support this initiative by running a blue themed or bowling event, ideas could be (but not limited to):

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- Selling blue items to be worn on your chosen day or weekend, e.g blue laces or blue caps.
- A blue-themed quiz
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- A sponsored bowl out

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2025 WEEK 10 REVIEW cont.

The meeting of top two in [Div 1](#) saw leaders Cheadle lose for the first time since the opening day, their decision to bat first at Kingsway playing into Bramhall's hands. Simon Wilkinson's 8-3-8-3 was the pick of a parsimonious attack as the hosts were all out 132 in under 41 overs. Greg Dixon's patient 52 helped Bramhall steadily knock off the runs for a 7 wkt win and top spot. Port Sunlight kept up the pressure by making 293 after being put in by Macclesfield, Richard Walker's 90 the highlight. Macc just weren't at it and only a late flourish led by Dan Evans' 61* got them to 213, although they stay in fourth spot. Maritime went fifth after a massive 146 run win on their first-ever trip to Urmston, the hosts conceding 50 extras as Maritime piled up 304 with three half-centurions. Toft's concerning dip extended to a fourth straight loss. Tom Lord's 81 and 61 from Rohan Fernando got them to 238-7 at Sale, but the hosts chased their DLS-adjusted target of 237 to win by 4 wkts thanks to a superb 133* from opener John Davidson (his second ton of the season). At the bottom, Davenham beat Stockport Georgians by 50 runs, closing the gap on SG to just 5 pts, but there was yet another loss for Grappenhall despite them posting a healthy-looking 250-6 in an 92-over game with Marple. Keagan Lynch's brilliant 115*, a swift 75 from Mark Makin & 52 from Mike Schofield ushered Marple to a handsome 8 wkt victory.

In [Div 2](#), Alvanley's winning streak was finally ended by visitors Romiley, who produced their performance of the season so far to win a rain-affected match by 2 runs in a tense finish. Alv's lead at the top is still a decent one, Bollington losing by 21 runs at NE Cheshire despite Laurence Scott taking 7-27 as NEC were all out 182. Toby Carson got rid of both Bolly big guns as he took 5-25. Lee Dixon rolled back the years with 72* and Chris McArthur chipped in with 59 as Upton beat Cheadle Hulme by 5 wkts, while Stockport's Ben Perry (57*) and skipper Dan Taylor (53*) added 112* for their 6th wkt at Haslington, who were all out 129 to lose by 96 runs. An extraordinary day at The Beets as Ashton OM put 339-9 on their board, their highest score in living memory. Haris Yassin led the way with 106 as it rained boundaries, the Oulton Park bowlers on the receiving end no answers. OP did give it a tilt but were faltering badly at 205-8 before no.8 Amjad Khan and no.10 James Bell joined forces, the pair adding 86 in 9 breathless overs before a hugely relieved AOM got Bell out, OP all out for 298 in an amazing finish.

In [Div 3](#), Tatty are top! Tattenhall's excellent run of form took them to their best position in several years, their 47 run win over lowly Runcorn in an entertaining game at the Flacca their fifth straight win. Skipper Freddie Cheshire led off with 60, and despite collapsing from 249-4 to 267, Tatt kept the Runcorn reply in check. Heaton Mersey paid the price for a terrible batting display as visitors Hawk Green rolled them for 110, some way short of the 299 needed for victory. HG's Lee Hallas made 70 off 56 as other solid contributions, and 48 extras, gave his side a huge score. Hallas then bowled 5-3-5-2 as the hosts fell to bits, HG up to fourth. Third-place Warrington also came a cropper as Barrow won at Walton Lea, Logan Malthus making 68 in Barrow's 206 before the hosts were all out 162. A much-needed win for struggling Middlewich lifted spirits at Haddon Field, setting visitors Hale Barns 234 to win after decent contributions throughout (and 41 extras). HB had a shocker, six ducks in their paltry 66 as the match was done before drinks. At Church Lane, Oakmere were bowled out for 101 but reduced Mobberley to 77-9 in reply. Mobb's last pair inched their way to victory but as the tension grew skipper Craig Phelan caught the last man, Mobb all out 99.

1ST XI PREM		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
DIDSBURY	184	45
HYDE	178	68
TIMPERLEY	162	49
NANTWICH	142	68
ALDERLEY EDGE	128	39
BROOKLANDS	121	40
CHESTER BH	117	21
OXTON	115	27
LINDOW	103	35
BOWDON	100	33
NESTON	87	16
WIDNES	73	14

1ST XI DIV 1		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
BRAMHALL	169	60
CHEADLE	168	42
P.SUNLIGHT	156	60
MACCLESFIELD	142	47
MARITIME	131	46
SALE	128	31
MARPLE	122	45
TOFT	121	13
URMSTON	111	30
S.GEOGIANS	83	29
DAVENHAM	78	25
GRAPPENHALL	38	10

1ST XI DIV 2		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
ALVANLEY	186	46
BOLLINGTON	153	29
CHRISTLETON	140	60
ROMILEY	138	46
N.E.CHESHIRE	124	31
UPTON	122	30
ASHLEY	111	22
OULTON PARK	109	33
CHEADLE HULME	108	45
STOCKPORT	104	43
HASLINGTON	70	6
ASHTON OM	68	22

1ST XI DIV 3		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
TATTENHALL	167	60
HEATON MERSEY	158	45
WARRINGTON	153	46
HAWK GREEN	141	46
BARROW	138	44
OAKMERE	135	30
HALE BARNES	120	30
WINNINGTON PARK	104	29
MOBBERLEY	101	10
MIDDLEWICH	89	30
RUNCORN	75	47
OVER PEOVER	59	11

2ND XI PREM	
TEAM	PTS
DIDSBURY	186
TOFT	158
CHEADLE	157
CHESTER BH	154
OXTON	137
WIDNES	123
HYDE	104
BROOKLANDS	98
NANTWICH	97
TIMPERLEY	86
S.GEOGIANS	75
NESTON	68

2ND XI DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. LINDOW	168
2. MARITIME	147
3. UPTON 2	144
11. MARPLE	87
12. GRAPPENHALL	27

2ND XI DIV 2	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. A.EDGE	159
2. URMSTON	156
3. P.SUNLIGHT	154
11. ASHTON OM	88
12. WARRINGTON	86



2ND XI DIV 3	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. ASHLEY	186
2. W.PARK	171
3. N.E.CHESHIRE	165
11. TATTENHALL	59
12. NESTON 3	31

3RD XI SUN PREM	
TEAM	PTS
BROOKLANDS	76
DIDSBURY	72
S.GEOGIANS	62
TOFT	60
SALE	52
MARPLE/COMPS.	50
TIMPERLEY	40
ASHLEY	38
NANTWICH	22
GRAPPENHALL	12

3RD XI SUN DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
HYDE	90
BRAMHALL	70
ASHTON OM	22
ROMILEY	0

3RD XI SUN DIV 2	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
T.METROVICKS 4	80
DIDSBURY 5	66
S.GEOGIANS 4	24
TIMPERLEY 6	12

SUN 3RD XI OTHER DIVISIONS

Div 3 East: Top - Sale 4
2nd - Lindow 5

Div 3 West: Top - Widnes
2nd - Christleton

Div 4: Top - Cheadle Hulme Ladybridge
2nd - Stockport



WEEK 10 2ND & 3RD XI CRICKET

2ND XI CRICKET: As you were in the Prem, the top four all winning, three of them by the same margin. Didsbury kept their advantage intact with a 5 wkt win at Widnes, who recovered from 83-6 to post 167, Tashaun Leacock 61. Evan Turner made 67 as Dids won by 5 wkts in the 34th over. Olly Howell's fine 83* helped Nantwich to 240-5 at Toft, but the hosts were led by skipper Ed Stubbs' 95 as they reached 244-5 in the 44th. Cheadle stayed third after a nervy two wkt win at bottom side Neston, while not so far away Ashraf Qureshi made a fine 102 (88 bs) as Chester BH beat Oxton by 5 wkts. Timperley made the day's highest total after 71 from Rob Matthews helped them to 267-8 against Hyde, who were dismissed for 174, while Brooklands won the battle of two struggling sides, George Myddelton's 73 eclipsing an earlier 92 from Georgians' Michael Kilbride as Brooklands won by 4 wkts.

Div 1 saw leaders Lindow win the meeting of first & third, their last pair adding a crucial 63 which helped them to a 61 run victory over Upton. Maritime stayed second after a DLS-adjusted win over Dids 2As at Bromborough Pool. Far and away the display of the day was at Victoria Rd, Macclesfield's Leo Burns making an amazing 173 (133 bs) as his side racked up a vast 389-6 against Sale, Burns then taking 2-19 as Sale unsurprisingly got nowhere near, losing by 172 runs. Wins also for Alvanley at Marple and for Bowdon over visitors Heaton Mersey, while it was a sadly familiar tale for Grappenhall, only one batter in double figures at Bramhall as they were bundled out for 68, Jack Harris taking 5-24 as his side cruised to an 8 wkt win.

In **Div 2** a surprise defeat for leaders A.Edge at Romiley, Brad Snape smashing a 71-ball 120 as Romiley rattled up 302, AE no answers as they were all out 189. Port Sunlight lost by 1 wkt in a thriller at Stockport, Urmston overtaking them into second spot after their 20 run win at Upton. Bottom side Warrington won by 108 runs at Oakmere while Simon Torlop took 6-46 as Oulton Park made it successive wins.

In **Div 3** Nikhil Nataraj made 119* for leaders Ashley as they knocked off 223 to beat NEC by 6 wkts, while Winnington Park kept up the pressure with a 5 wkt win at basement side Neston 3s. Rob McNally's 100 for Christleton was in vain as Chris Williams masterminded a brilliant chase with 90, his Oxton 3s side making 273-7 to win by 3 wkts with five overs in hand.

Sunday 3rd XI News **Prem** leaders Brooklands posted 253-7 against Toft, Sam Hill (73) & Nikolaus Needham (71) with a big opening stand. Toft's Ollie Hamilton battled hard to make 88 but Toft finished on 191-8, losing by 62 runs (DLS). Didsbury kept up the pressure with a DLS-adjusted win at Sale, while Mohsin Malik made a fine 93* for Georgians in their convincing 133 run win at Ashley. Marple/Compstall's opening pair put on 128 to guide their side to their 214 target and a 7 wkt win at Timperley, for whom Santhosh Gopalakrishnan's great form continued with 73. Arthur Pennington made 91 for Grappenhall, guiding them from 4-2 to 213-8 against fellow strugglers Nantwich, but Oliver Howell made 103* as the Dabbers won by 8 wkts. In **Div 1** Hyde made it 8 wins out of 8, winning the derby with Romiley after a DLS-adjusted chase, while Bramhall remain second after a rain-affected win at Ashton OM. In **Div 2** Trafford Metrovicks were 48-0 after 7 chasing 233 at Bollington when rain washed out play, Bolly's Ryan Ouwekerk equally miffed after making a fine 117*.

1st XI T20 GROUP STAGE (1st XI T20 holders = OXTON)

Matchday 3 - Tues 17 & Weds 18 June saw 6 group winners and runners-up decided after some intriguing contests, with NRR playing its part. There will be 10 Premier Division sides in the last 16, possibly 11 depending on the outcome of the remaining match in group 2. Oxton's hopes of retaining the trophy are still alive after they won their final group game, while all eyes on Thursday will be on group 5, where two washed-out games are being replayed, North East Cheshire of Div. 2 in with a chance of qualifying for the knockout stages.

Gp 1: Top: Chester BH R/U: Oxton *Chester beat Upton by 37 runs, Alex Money's 72 off 35 bs, and later spell of 4-22 were the decisive contributions in an entertaining game. Dane Williams made 56* for Oxton as they beat P.Sunlight by 7 wkts to secure their only win, but it was enough to see them through.*

Gp 2: *Widnes top the group with Neston second, Widnes winning a low scoring contest at Parkgate on Tues. Luke McCoy took 4-2 and then made a quickfire 32 to give Widnes an NRR of 0.04 greater than Neston. If Maritime win the remaining group game at Oulton Park on June 26th, they and Widnes will go through, but if the weather intervenes then both Widnes and Neston will go through.*

Gp 3: Top: Toft R/U: Bowdon *Toft beat Bowdon on Thurs to top the group, Bowdon going down despite hitting 52 off the last 5 in a tense conclusion. However, they did enough to keep their NRR (-0.01) just ahead of Haslington (-1), who were beaten in quick time at Nantwich, for whom new signing Yash Pednekar took 2-14 and made 53*, Haslington missing out by a wafer-thin NRR margin.*

Gp 4: Top: Alderley Edge R/U: Brooklands *Alderley Edge made it three straight wins with a comfortable 74 run triumph over Marple, while Todd Walker (84 off 36) and Ben Cunliffe (92 off 52) put on 155 in 12.2 os for the 1st Brooklands wkt as they ran up 230-6 against Hawk Green. That left Brooklands & Marple level on pts but with their re-scheduled game on Weds cancelled for a second time, and seemingly unlikely to be rearranged, the group seems to be decided.*

Gp 5 (current): Top: Hyde 2nd: N.E.Cheshire *Hyde's Max Harsham (83* off 44) and Charlie Harris (39 off 21) added 100 in 9 overs to give Hyde the edge over Macclesfield in a very watchable game. At Dane Rd, a fine display from Sale's Muneeb Iftikhar (79 off 40 and 3-37) helped secure a 26 run win for the hosts over NE Cheshire, but NEC currently have a superior NRR to Sale, which could play a decisive factor depending on NEC's game at Hyde and Sale v Macclesfield.*

Gp 6: Top: Timperley R/U: Bramhall *Timperley beat Bramhall in a low-key match at Church Lane on Tues, John Fowler's 23* and 4-17 the outstanding display, but both sides qualified after Cheadle Hulme's heavy defeat at Stockport Georgians confirmed the group placings. Francis Yates made a superb 100* (58 bs) as he and Ned Bailey (78 off 34) put on 133 for the 1st Georgians wkt in 11 overs, SG 222-4 in their allocation far too many for CH, whose game with Timperley has yet to be re-arranged but would not affect the group standings even if it does take place.*

Gp 7: Top: Lindow R/U: Davenham *Lindow's dominance of the group was confirmed after a rapid 5 wkt win at Grappenhall, while Davenham gave their club morale a big boost with an impressive 48 run triumph over Ashley, seeing Dav secure second spot. 54 off 29 bs from skipper Jimmy O'Sullivan was the highlight amongst other bright Dav contributions, Ashley losing key man Ammad Mushtaq to the second ball of their reply, Mushtaq one of five victims for Ben Gough.*

Gp 8: Top: Didsbury R/U: Cheadle *Didsbury's Tim Hughes superb form in the group stage helped his side secure three wins to finish top. Having made 101 at Urmston last week, Hughes made 78* (50 bs) as Dids won the key game at Cheadle on Tues by 25 runs, then the following evening made 100* (61 bs) as Dids easily beat Heaton Mersey by 73 runs. Urmston's win over HM on Tues brought them level on pts with Cheadle but it was by nowhere near a big enough margin to overturn their -5.0 NRR.*

2ND XI T20 ROUND 2

With matches played across the week, the 2nd XI T20 saw some superb batting displays, two Prem sides beaten, and breathless finales at Widnes and Chester.

Mon 16: Widnes (176-3, 20 os) beat Haslington (176-7, 20 os) by losing fewer wkts. *Louis Burns made 81* (62 bs), his opening stand of 90 with Owen Price (45 off 29) setting visitors Haslington a stiff target. Burns and Price then took 3 wkts each as 75 (43 bs) from Aidan Schmid gave his side some hope but when he fell Haslington needed 18 off the last. In an extraordinary finish there was a dot ball followed by 2-4-wd-2-6 to create amazing tension. Then followed a run out off a wide! Haslington needed two off the last but in frantic scenes were kept to a single as Widnes celebrated the narrowest of wins.*

Tues 17: Didsbury 2s (101-2, 8.2 os) beat Heaton Mersey (100, 19.3 os) by 8 wkts *The current Prem leaders breezed through after Jack Hastings hit 5x6 in his 32-ball 75*. Jonty Walliker had earlier taken 5-12 as HM skipper Shabaz Shafiq (48) made almost half his side's total on his own.*

Weds 18: Neston (214-5, 20 os) beat Chester BH 3s (205-6, 20 os) by 9 runs *Choosing to bat first, Neston's poor league form was put to one side as they produced a scintillating display led by Tom Jones, who made a superb 109 (55 bs, 8x6, 11x4). Jones and Matt Brookes (62) put on a magnificent 177 in 16 os for the 2nd wkt as Neston set their hosts a huge target, but CBH replied in kind, Marius Mostert (71 off 37) and David Atkin (94 off 57) reeled off 138 for the 1st wkt in under 11 overs, the pair hitting 11x6 and 18x4 between them. CBH needed 12 off the last with 8 wkts in hand and seemed odds-on, but Sam Cureton held his nerve with the ball, four wkts falling in a dramatic last 6 balls as Atkin's run out proved decisive.*

Maritime (158-3, 20 os) beat Oxton 2s (68, 14 os) by 90 runs *A heavy home defeat for the side third in the Prem who had no answers to the all-round skills of their Wirralian neighbours, Bilal Anwar's 79* (65 bs) the decisive batting display as only two Oxton batters got into double figures on a torrid night for them.*

Thurs 19: Bowdon (179-2, 18 os) beat Hyde (175-8, 20 os) by 8 wkts *Batting first after winning the toss, Hyde's challenging total was easily overtaken after a rapid Bowdon reply saw them 63-1 after 7. Opener Dom Bramhall went on to make a terrific 89* (57 bs) joining forces with Colin Parrott (32* off 24 bs) to add an unbroken 75* which sealed victory for the visitors with two overs unused.*

Round 2 Fixture: Alderley Edge v Timperley 2s scheduled for July 1st.

Round 3 fixtures (Tues July 1): Nantwich v Grappenhall, Macclesfield v Lindow, Widnes v Chester BH 2, Didsbury 2 v Timperley 3, Bramhall v Stockport Georgians, Bowdon v Toft, Maritime v Neston, Macclesfield v Lindow

Bramhall & Didsbury 2As are awaiting their round 3 opponents.

3RD XI T20 QUARTER-FINALS

Tues 17th, Stockport Rd:

Timperley 165-7 (20 os) beat Sale 157-8 (19 os) by 8 runs. Despite a narrow loss for Sale on the night, there was an appeal from Sale regarding the eligibility of Timperley's selection which was subsequently upheld. Sale therefore went forward to Finals Day.

3RD XI T20 FINALS DAY WILL BE HELD AT
DIDSBURY ON SUNDAY JUNE 29TH

SF 1: Marple & Compstall v Toft

SF 2: Didsbury v Sale



CHESHIRE CUP ROUND 3

A full programme of games took place on a rain affected Sunday. Three all-Prem clashes were the feature as the holders made it safely through to the quarter-final draw.



DARK LANE: BREDBURY SM v MARITIME Incomplete scorecard posted.

MOSS LANE: TIMPERLEY 210-8 (35.1 os) beat ALDERLEY EDGE 206 (39.5 os) beat by 8 wkts Alderley Edge

were disappointed not to build more effectively on an opening stand of 98 in 19.3 os, Ed Galley's 4-37 pegging AE back. Galley then made 55 off 48 bs as he marshalled a middle-order recovery after Timpers slipped to 77-4, Fred Vaughan-Hawkins making 47 & Nathan Brown 31 to assist the skipper.

WHITEHALL RD: HYDE 204-5 (34.1 os) beat BROOKLANDS 199 (39.1 os) by 57 wkts (DLS) Todd Walker's well-made 76 gave Brooklands something to defend and Walker himself then took two wkts to leave Hyde 77-4, but a 102-minute knock of 28 from Andrew Jackson supported a superb 73* from veteran Dave Fitzsimmons as Hyde - assisted by 25 wides - carefully got to their target with six overs in hand.

LONDON RD: DIDSBURY 262-6 (40 os) beat ELWORTH 162 (29.4 os) by 71 runs (DLS) A repeat of last season's semi-final was a lot more one-sided than 2024. A rapid 53 (25 bs) from Nick Anderson with 51 from Abhay Tipnis and three other knocks over 40 gave holders Didsbury a big total. Rain reduced Elworth's chase to 234 off 33 os and although Alex Banks' bright 50 gave Elworth a chance with rain around, the Dids bowlers, including three 16 yr olds, tightened their grip once they made the breakthrough, Elworth unable to generate any momentum.

CHURCH LANE (RCCG): BRAMHALL 206-3 (35.5 os) beat CHEADLE 205-6 (40 os) by 38 runs (DLS) A second meeting of the weekend for Div 1's top two saw Bramhall do the 'double'. Ash Burton (78) and James Clift (49) added 112 for the 3rd Cheadle wkt to leave them 161-2 in the 31st but both fell within a few balls of each other and Cheadle couldn't find the acceleration they needed. Jack Clark hit a rapid 68, with Greg Dixon making a consummate 90* to ease the hosts into the next round.

FILKINS LANE: CHESTER BH 301-7 (40 os) beat URMSTON 186 (37 os) by 110 runs (DLS) Alex Money made a typically attractive 103 (107 bs) and along with a swift 81 (53 bs) from Andrew Metcalf, CBH had way too many for Urmston to chase, the brief rain interruption of no account.

ROSLARE DRIVE: WALLASEY 163-4 (21.4 os) beat BOWDON 160 (37.5 os) by 6 wkts 65 from Jack Tipton & 48 from Subhaan Mahmood helped get Bowdon to 128-2 in the 29th but the inns fell away, John Sanders one of five ducks as their under-strength bowling could not prevent the hosts from easing to victory with almost half their allocated overs unused.

VICTORIA RD: LINDOW 231-4 (34 os) beat WIDNES 229 (39.5 os) by 6 wkts Played at Macclesfield, Lindow's all-round strength proved too much in this all-Prem clash, Sam Battersby's great weekend continuing with 2-12 and then a fluent 73* (58 balls) as he built on Jamieson Hedges' explosive 40 off 14 which got Lindow off to a flyer. Widnes were 180-3 with 10 overs remaining after 50s from Aaqib Uppal & Luke McCoy but were pegged back.



50th Anniversary Match & Dinner a great success

A glorious day and equally glorious setting at Toft heralded the centrepiece celebration of the CCCL's 50 years. Featuring a match between a CCCL XI and an MCC North-West XI, the healthy gathering of spectators enjoyed an entertaining but relaxed and good-natured match, with the opportunity to enjoy the sunshine, the plentiful choice of liquid refreshments, and the well-timed arrival of the ice-cream van in mid-afternoon, as well as catch up with colleagues from across Cheshire cricket. The post-match three-course dinner was also well attended, guest speaker Robert Croft showing an impressive and amusing range of accents and dialects as he recalled moments from his county and international career, and bringing his encouragement and admiration for all that has been achieved by the many who have helped the CCCL develop to its current strength.

MCC North-West won the match by 90 runs, a fine century from local favourite Henry Murray and a felicitous 81 off 51 balls from Alderley Edge's Sam Perry the highlights of the MCC NW innings, while Jack Tipton's attractive 76 was the standout for the CCCL XI.

Scores: MCC NW 267-6 (45 os) H.Murray 107, S.Perry 81, M.Friend 35, D.Brown 3-54
CCCL XI 177 (37.3 os) J.Tipton 76, R.Aggarwal 5-34

Umpires: Trevor Burnett & Simon Smith

Scorers: Simon Burley & Inge Bevers

MCC North-West: Sam Perry (A.Edge) capt; Sam Leech (Didsbury) wk; Andrew Dufty (O.Park); Luke Ramsey (Chester BH); Will Espley (Lindow); Joe McCluskie* (Burnley); Mark Friend (Darwen); Rohan Aggarwal, Ben Calvin, Jimmy Lomas, Henry Murray, James Scott (all Toft). *McCluskie retired not out after sustaining an injury whilst batting and subsequently did not field.

CCCL XI: Danny Leech (O.Park) capt; Pat Ashling (A.Edge) wk; Jack Tipton (Bowdon); Luke Young (Hyde); Luke McCoy (Widnes); David Hurst (Neston); AJ Hart (Brooklands); Dan Brown (Cheadle); Simon Wilkinson (Bramhall); Brad Porter (Macclesfield); Rohan Fernando (Toft).

