



## THE 2025 WEEK 11 REVIEW

*The halfway stage was reached on a breezy but very warm weekend which saw new leaders of the Prem, a double-centurion, two double century stands, and T20 success for Toft 3rd XI.*

A superb 129 (130 bs, 5x6, 16x4) from Luke Young, supported by 50 from Charlie Barnard and a rapid 45\* from Andrew Jackson enabled Hyde reach 266-5 on a testing surface at Bowdon. A direct hit from a Young throw spelt the end for opener Jack Tipton as hosts Bowdon never got going, Barnard taking 5-20 and Liam Bowe making it 34 league wkts with 3-27. Hyde's 146 run win sent them a point ahead of Didsbury, who suffered a third drawn match in a frustrating month after again being unable to prise out a last pair, this time at Widnes. Nick Anderson's 62 off 80 was the highlight of a solid Dids batting card of 243. Widnes inched to 128-2 in the 39th but from that point focused more on not losing, their last pair blocking out six overs. Dids at least took 17 pts.

For the second time this season, Timperley passed 300 but didn't win. A fabulous 133 from skipper Ed Galley (120 bs, 4x6, 15x4), with super assistance from no.8 Chris McCarthy and no.9 Zach Thompson, lifted Timpers from the gates of doom at 101-6 after 21 overs to an amazing 307 against visitors Alderley Edge. All looked lost for AE with Sam Perry gone for 20 and Arav Shetty for 50, the board showing 105-5. But the second astonishing revival of the match got underway, Pat Ashling hitting a magnificent 135\* (105 bs, 6x6, 16x4), in tandem with Gennaro Reddy adding an unbroken 207 runs for the 6th wkt. Reddy hit 4-4-6 in the 51st over to seal a brilliant 5 wkt win as he finished 95\*.

Chester BH ended June with the lowest pts tally for the month in the division after a third defeat in their last four games, despite a grafting 108 from Rick Moore who made the most of a couple of lives. But CBH could only muster 232 against visiting in-form Nantwich, who sealed a fifth win a row thanks to a typical Luke Robinson display, 126\* off 87 bs seeing the Dabbers home with some 10 overs unused, Spencer Byatt (50) helping add 153 for the 4th wkt. Runs were strangely at a premium at Parkgate, Neston reaching just 207-7 in their full 55, Matt Moritz making 83\* and Dave Manchett 52\* to lift their side from 109-7. Matt Strong then atoned for missing out with the bat by taking 5-39 as fading Oxton were bowled out for 136, the 24 pts putting Neston 8th in the table after spending all season in the bottom two, and now only 8 pts behind their Wirral neighbours who were top of the table in mid-May. Another uncharacteristically low-scoring game was at Upcast Lane, where Brooklands' moderate-looking 204 proved more than enough to beat Lindow, the hosts all out for 155 with Todd Walker taking an impressive 6-23, Alex Matthews' earlier 5-50 for Lindow in vain.

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.

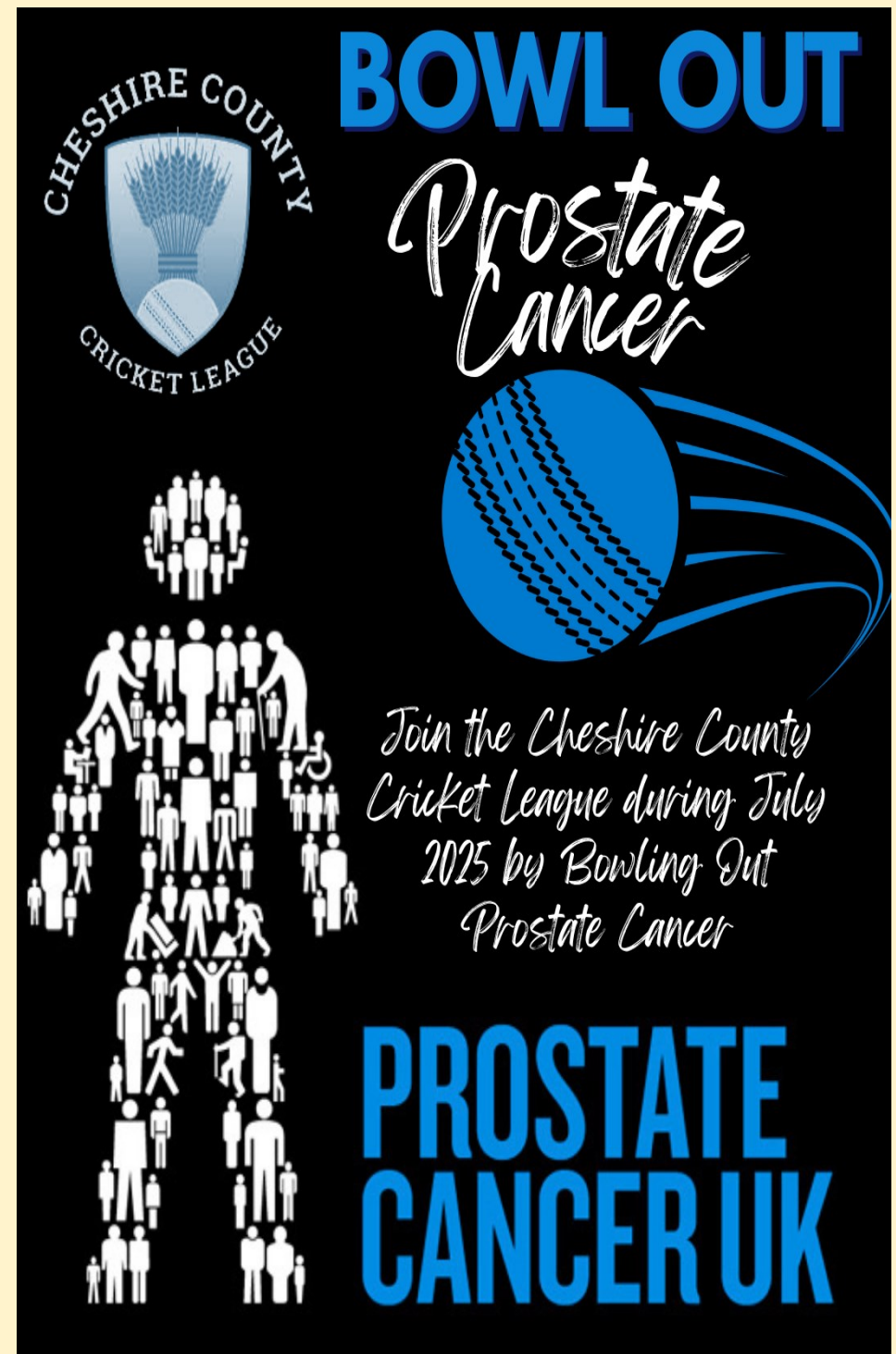
Prostate Cancer UK is the leading charity in its field in the UK and is striving for a world where no man dies from prostate

### How can you get involved?

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):

- Holding a blue themed event
- Selling blue items to be worn on your chosen day or weekend, e.g blue laces or blue caps.
- A blue-themed quiz
- Sponsoring the number of wickets taken by your Club in a particular game, or day, or weekend - e.g. £1 per wicket
- A sponsored bowl out

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## 2025 WEEK 11 REVIEW cont.

In **Div 1** Cheadle swapped places again with Bramhall at the top, Cheadle powering to a massive 191 run win at Marple after Adam Dooler's terrific 112 (146 bs) put his side over the hills and far away on 286-7. Charlie Hodgson's 4-56 was the tiniest crumb of comfort for the hosts, Hodgson also top-scoring in their reply, but with just 18 as Marple were bundled out for 95 on a day to forget for them. Bramhall lost a thrilling match with Davenham which went down to the very last ball, Will Metcalf run out going for a third which would have tied the scores. Davenham had been 22-3 (two superb slip catches by Nick Cantello) but skipper Jimmy O'Sullivan (79) and Sam Hunt, who made an excellent 117, added 177 to help Dav make 249-9. In a dramatic start Bramhall lost both openers for ducks and were themselves 23-3 before skipper Cantello made a patient 73, coaxing his partners to dig in. Bramhall were still some way behind the rate but Ryan Macciocchi then took over, hitting and scampering well to make 61, Dav having an appeal for caught behind rejected early on but regretting dropping him in the 46th over. However, Dav did cling on to another Macciocchi chance in the last over, Bramhall needing 8 off the last four in a febrile atmosphere but just coming up short, Dav winning by 1 run. Davenham thus made it two wins in a row, having beaten fellow-strugglers Stockport Georgians last week, but Georgians roused themselves and also pulled off a surprise win, beating third-place Port Sunlight by a comfy 94 runs, PS not helping themselves conceding 48 extras as the SG bowlers patiently worked their way through the batting after a 60 run opening stand. 105 from Khalid Sawas rolled back the years at Macclesfield as they beat Sale by 65 runs, skipper Jack Massey a fine game with 72 and 5-42. Maritime were the latest side to tuck into the Grappenhall bowling, Sawan Kankanange making 96 as his side racked up 330-9 en-route to a 124 run win, while Toft eased their frustrations with a 3 wkt win in a low-scoring contest against Urmston, who took all 50 overs to make just 147-9 at Booths Park. Henry Hughes made 63 in Toft's 151-7.

*Marple Cricket Club celebrate three-quarters of a century since their reformation in 1950 with a special evening at their Bowden Lane ground next Saturday, after the 1st XI entertain Bramhall. The club has tried to contact as many former players as possible but would love to invite or hear from anyone who has a Marple connection to take part in the evening. Please contact the club directly for any further information.*

**CELEBRATING  
75 YEARS  
AT BOWDEN LANE**

**5<sup>TH</sup> JULY  
2025  
7PM**

**FOLLOWING 1<sup>ST</sup> XI VS BRAMHALL**

**FOOD PROVIDED  
ENTERTAINMENT  
PARTNERS WELCOME**

**IF YOU HAVE PLAYED SENIOR CRICKET FOR  
MARPLE CC, WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO ATTEND**

**TO HELP WITH NUMBERS,  
PLEASE FILL IN THE FORM IN THE DESCRIPTION!**

**MARPLE CC**



## 2025 WEEK 11 REVIEW cont.

In [Div 2](#), Alvanley got back to winning ways - just - as they held their nerve to win a great game at Oulton Park by 1 wkt. OP's Nick Ball made 103, adding 165 for the 5th with Frank Farrington (82\*) as OP got from 73-4 to 262-6. Alv were teetering at 208-7 in the 44th but Corey McCarthy found an ally in Chris Charles, who could only watch in the last over as the no.10 was caught, but no.11 Ieuan Morris scrambled a run to put Charles on strike, and after a dot ball, he hit the last delivery of the match for four to grab a nerve-shredding 20 pts. Nothing like as close but every bit as special at Birchvale Drive as Romiley's Isaac Willett blasted 207 (143 bs, 14x6, 17x4) in an amazing display, the helpless NE Cheshire bowlers hit to all parts as Willett and David Badrock (60\*) added 210 in 31 os for the 3rd wkt, Rom 308-3. Jake Reynolds made an eye-catching run-a-ball 83 in reply, but Connor Bergin's 6-37 helped seal a memorable 91 run win for the hosts. Bollington's great form continued, beating fellow high-flyers Christleton by 6 wkts after bowling them out for 212, Ben Gibson (68\*) and Rick Hough (57) the main architects of the chase. Upton were delighted that Sophie Morris was available for their trip to Stockport, the Lancs spinner returning 10-3-24-4 as the hosts made 175 after being put in. Upton found it no easier but just kept their noses in front, reaching 177-7 in the 41st for 20 welcome pts. The bottom two both lost again, Ashton OM going down by 6 wkts at Cheadle Hulme, skipper Adam Wilde making 76\* for CH, while Haslington were thumped by 9 wkts at Ashley, Pierz Bradi Cyster clean bowling both Haslington openers before thrashing 95\* off 57 bs as Ashley knocked off the 144 needed in less than 20 overs.

Having gone top of [Div 3](#) last week, Tattenhall increased their lead after skipper Tom Hyslop's second ton of the season helped them to a 3 wkt win in a good tussle at Hale Barns, Hyslop's superb 120\* (93 bs) rescuing his side from 86-5 in pursuit of 228 as the efforts of HB's Alex Read (66 and 3-41) were in vain. Heaton Mersey lost again, going down by 44 runs at Oakmere, which allowed Hawk Green to close the gap to the promotion spots to 3 pts, HG marmalising Winnington Park as two centurions, Lewis Clarke (110 off 142 bs) and Lee Hallas (101 off 66 bs) enabled HG to make 334-8 at Upper Hibbert Lane, WP really feeling the heat in every sense as Clarke (2-31) and Hallas (3-35) helped their side to a whopping 184 run victory. Runcorn made it three wins in the month after an entertaining 20 run win over neighbours Warrington. Skipper Kieran Maher crashed 73 off only 23 bs (4x6, 12x4) in a jaw-dropping start, his departure leaving the scoreboard showing 85-3 after 10 overs! The rest of the batting was more measured but effective, Runcorn 268 all out. Aamir Ali made 67 as Warrington gave it a go but they never quite got on top of the rate, all out in the last over for 248. Two centurions at Barrow, Ibrar Latif making a fine 102 for visitors Mobberley in their 226-8, but Barrow easing to an 8 wkt win, making 230-2 in just 31 os, skipper Jack Randle 101\* (93 bs) putting on 194 with Faizan Abid (96 off 73 bs) for the second wkt. Finally, the game at Over Peover was abandoned in the 38th over with visitors Middlewich batting, reports of fighting between players leaving a dark cloud over the CCCL's halfway weekend with disciplinary investigations ongoing.



1ST XI PREM		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
HYDE	202	92
DIDSBURY	201	85
TIMPERLEY	168	55
NANTWICH	166	92
ALDERLEY EDGE	152	63
BROOKLANDS	137	56
CHESTER BH	123	27
OXTON	119	31
NESTON	111	59
LINDOW	111	41
BOWDON	104	37
WIDNES	87	28

1ST XI DIV 1		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
CHEADLE	188	62
BRAMHALL	176	49
MACCLESFIELD	162	67
PORT SUNLIGHT	161	65
MARITIME	151	66
TOFT	141	33
SALE	131	34
MARPLE	125	48
URMSTON	115	34
S.GEORGIANS	103	49
DAVENHAM	98	45
GRAPPENHALL	45	17

1ST XI DIV 2		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
ALVANLEY	206	66
BOLLINGTON	173	49
ROMILEY	158	66
CHRISTLETON	144	64
UPTON	142	50
ASHLEY	131	42
CHEADLE HULME	128	65
N.E.CHESHIRE	128	35
OULTON PARK	117	41
STOCKPORT	109	48
HASLINGTON	71	13
ASHTON OM	71	25

1ST XI DIV 3		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
TATTENHALL	187	80
HEATON MERSEY	164	51
HAWK GREEN	161	66
WARRINGTON	160	53
BARROW	158	64
OAKMERE	155	50
HALE BARNES	126	36
WINNINGTON PARK	109	34
MOBBERLEY	104	13
MIDDLEWICH	98	39
RUNCORN	95	67
OVER PEOVER	67	19

2ND XI PREM	
TEAM	PTS
DIDSBURY	206
TOFT	178
CHESTER BH	174
CHEADLE	159
OXTON	141
WIDNES	128
BROOKLANDS	118
NANTWICH	117
HYDE	110
TIMPERLEY	106
S.GEORGIANS	83
NESTON	70

2ND XI DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. LINDOW	172
2. MARITIME	167
3. UPTON 2	148
11. BRAMHALL	97
12. GRAPPENHALL	29

2ND XI DIV 2	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. A.EDGE	179
2. ROMILEY	171
3. URMSTON	160
11. OAKMERE	99
12. WARRINGTON	90



2ND XI DIV 3	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. ASHLEY	206
2. W.PARK	191
3. N.E.CHESHIRE	185
11. TATTENHALL	62
12. NESTON 3	51

3RD XI SUN PREM	
TEAM	PTS
BROOKLANDS	76
DIDSBURY	72
S.GEORGIANS	72
TOFT	60
SALE	52
MARPLE/COMPS.	50
TIMPERLEY	42
ASHLEY	38
NANTWICH	22
GRAPPENHALL	12

3RD XI SUN DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
HYDE	92
BRAMHALL	80
HEATON MERSEY	24
ROMILEY	12

3RD XI SUN DIV 2	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
T.METROVICKS 4	88
RUNCORN	72
BOLLINGTON	26
TIMPERLEY 6	16

## SUN 3RD XI OTHER DIVISIONS

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

Div 3 West: Top - Christleton  
2nd - Widnes

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



## WEEK 11 2ND & 3RD XI CRICKET

**2ND XI CRICKET:** Chris Becker's superb 119 (103 bs) was the star turn for **Prem** leaders Didsbury, a late onslaught by Jonty Walliker (36 off 12) helping them post 304 against visitors S. Georgians. SG didn't buckle but ended on a curious 262-5, going down by 42 runs. Phil Raikes' 76 helped second place Toft pull off a 3 wkt win at Hyde chasing 237, while the old firm of Dan Riley (4-31) and Robin Fisher (3-8) enjoyed themselves in the meeting of third and fourth at Cheadle, Chester BH not mucking about with their chase of 123 as Joe Killoran rattled off 66\*, the sides swapping places. Oxton suffered a setback losing at home to Timperley, while Widnes lost successive games despite an excellent 122 from James McCoy in their 241-6 at Nantwich. Dabbers keeper Jackson Bentley made a brilliant 103\* (95 bs), Nick Bentley joining the fun with a 26-ball 43\* as Nantwich got home by 4 wkts. Brooklands opening pair put on 180 as they beat Neston by 8 wkts, Joe Edwards making 64 and Mark Bloomfield a superb 108 (119 bs).

**Div 1** saw Asad Khan (86\*) and Mohsin Rehman (83\*) put together a fine partnership for Maritime, whose 7 wkt win at third-place neighbours Upton saw them close the gap on leaders Lindow, who surprisingly went down by 92 runs at Sale, Joe Seabridge making a fine 81 and Shah Jawaaid 63 in Sale's 215-7. Sid Mahadevan made 84\* as Bowdon crunched Alvanley by 9 wkts, while Dids 2As won a spectator non-friendly arm-wrestle with lowly Bramhall at Mere. Dids cobbled together 80 in 38 os, Nick Ferguson taking 5-14, but Bramhall managed just 55 all out in 44 overs of batting, Ravi Patel's 17 off 103 bs summing up their fortunes. That news was doubly good for struggling Marple, who became the latest side to take 20 pts away from Grappenhall after a 7 wkt win.

In **Div 2** Romiley skipper Alex Napier made 67\* as his side won by 7 wkts at P. Sunlight, thus keeping pace with leaders A.Edge who beat lowly Oakmere by 36 runs. Oulton Park's surprise win at third place Urmston was the result of the day, and with bottom side Warrington losing again, struggling Ashton OM gave themselves a bit of breathing space by skittling Stockport for just 56, winning by 141 runs.

In **Div 3** leaders Ashley bowled Christleton out for 72 to win by an eye-popping 184 runs, Winnington Park keeping pace with a 168 run win over Oxton, WP getting from 44-4 to 280-8 as Sagar Prakash made 92\*. N.E.Cheshire kept up the pressure on the top two, beating Bolly by 4 wkts, while smelling salts were needed at Parkgate as news came through of Neston 3s finally winning, by 6 wkts at Timperley.

**Sunday 3rd XI News** with only one game in the **Prem**, Georgians beat Timperley by 34 runs to go joint second. **Div 1** saw leaders Hyde lose at Bowdon, Bramhall closing the gap in second after a 75 run win over Dids 4s. Bottom side Romiley finally moved into positive points after drawing inspiration from their 1st XI, another fantastic batting display at Birchvale Drive seeing Dylan Llewellyn (102 off 92) and Max Griffin (128\* off 123 bs) put on 224 for the 1st wkt, Romiley a monster 301-1 and an ensuing 162 run win over Elworth. Finn Coburn took 6-50 and made 53 for Ashton OM but still couldn't prevent a 15 run loss at Cheadle. In **Div 2** Trafford Metrovicks won a tense battle of the top two, seeing off Runcorn by 3 wkts in a low-scoring contest, while in a dramatic game at Flixton, Didsbury 5s needed 14 off the last over but could only manage 10, Woodley thus triumphant by 3 runs. Timperley 6s have still to win this season but aren't adrift as Bolly lost again.



## 3RD XI T20 FINALS DAY, SUNDAY JUNE 29th, DIDSBURY CC

### TOFT TRIUMPHANT!



**Toft 197-5 (20 os) beat Didsbury 155 (18.2 os) by 42 runs**

A beautiful day at Didsbury saw three tough, tense games of T20 cricket, the earliest in the season 3rd XI Finals Day has ever been staged, and the best weather this event has enjoyed since 2018! It was Toft's day, their first ever victory in the competition thoroughly deserved after they defeated the holders who were in their eighth successive Finals Day. After a nervous, low-scoring win over Marple/Compstall in their early semi, Toft had a long wait while Didsbury overcame the 2024 winners and Prem Division champions Sale in the other semi. But, having lost the toss, Dids found themselves bowling again in the very warm conditions (having bowled second in their semi) and the tiredness showed as they conceded 35 wides. Toft's batters gratefully received these, taking 39 runs off the extra deliveries bowled as they batted intelligently, Noah Wasilewski and Kim Wulff adding 74 in 7 overs with effective hitting and good running, before player of the match Isaac Todd made an excellent 53\* (38 bs), adding 97 in 11 overs with Neil Ryan (27). Didsbury got off to a flyer as Maduka Mekhala and Michael Corbett put on a dazzling 49 in 3.4 os, but in the electric atmosphere Mekhala was then adjudged lbw which marked the turning point, Didsbury sliding to 77-6 in the 9th. Despite a late cameo from Enam Hoque the result was never in doubt, league chairman David Humpage presenting James Bibby (4-0-21-3) with the trophy as the large crowd expressed their congratulations for the winning side and appreciation for the match officials and all those at the host club who helped give everyone a memorable day of cup cricket.



## CHESHIRE CUP UPDATE

Maritime beat Bredbury by 97 runs in their third round clash last Sunday, earning the Wirral side a crack at Premier Division opposition in the quarter finals. The QF draw is:

Bramhall v Hyde

Didsbury v Chester BH

Lindow v Wallasey

Timperley v Maritime



The draw sees holders Didsbury face the side they overcame in a high scoring Round 2 match last season, as well as seeing the side second in Div 1 facing the Premier Division leaders. Lindow will be delighted to have home advantage over tough opposition from the Liverpool Comp, while the only Div 2 side left in the competition face a difficult task away to Premier Division opponents. The ties are scheduled for Sunday July 13 although Lindow's game will not take place on this date as Wallasey are already committed to another cup match then.

### 1ST XI T20 KNOCKOUT PHASE 1 - LAST 16

The 1st XI T20 group phase concluded last week, the re-arranged matches seeing wins for Hyde and Macclesfield in group 5. Hyde had already qualified but NRR decided the other side to progress, with the three sides all having won one, lost two. Despite defeat to Macc, Sale's NRR improved to -0.08, which combined with a heavy loss at Hyde for NE Cheshire (seeing their NRR slide to -0.74) and Macc's win not doing enough for their NRR, meant that it was Sale who squeaked through.

In group 2, Maritime's opening bowler Gavaskar Kanthiraj hammered 74\* off 38 balls to lead his side to an impressive overhauling of Oulton Park's healthy-looking 196-6, Maritime topping the group which meant the exit of Premier Division Neston, who missed out on qualification by .005 of a run as Widnes just pipped them for the runners-up spot.

**Last 16 ties (scheduled Thurs July 3rd): Chester BH v Widnes; Maritime v Oxton; Didsbury v Sale; Hyde v Cheadle; Alderley Edge v Davenham; Lindow v Brooklands; Toft v Bramhall (being played Tues July 1st); Timperley v Bowdon.**

**2ND XI T20 K/O FIXTURES (TUES JULY 1ST) ROUND 2: ALDERLEY EDGE v TIMPERLEY 2s (WINNER AT HOME TO DIDSBURY 2As IN ROUND 3)**  
**ROUND 3: MACCLESFIELD v LINDOW; MARITIME v NESTON; BOWDON v TOFT; BRAMHALL v STOCKPORT GEORGIANS;**  
**NANTWICH v GRAPPENHALL; WIDNES v CHESTER BH; DIDSBURY 2s v TIMPERLEY 3s**