

THE 2025 WEEK 17 REVIEW

A dry and increasingly warm weekend saw, appropriately enough, three 99s, but also important wins, surprise defeats, the first relegation confirmed and an inaugural T20 cup win for Upton.

Didsbury maintained their lead in the Prem after an excellent recovery and solid all-round display led them to a 62 run win at Alderley Edge. Dids were 22-3 within 5 overs of winning the toss, but

Rob Sehmi (52) and Steve Green (42) both scored quickly, stands of 78 and 59 with skipper Nick Anderson turning things round. AE struck back to leave Dids 194-7 but 17 yr old Alex Young helped add a vital 60 for the 8th before Anderson overbalanced slightly and was stumped for a superb 99. Chasing 255, Sam Perry fell early, one of three James Green victims, and despite fighting knocks from Alfie Usher (40) and Gennaro Reddy (65), Will Street's 5-24 kept things under control.

Hyde & champions Nantwich kept the pressure on, both enjoying comprehensive wins on the return to W-L. Liam Grindlay's super 95 (79 bs, 6x6,8x4) saw 174 put on for the 1st Hyde wkt inside 21 overs at Oxton, Luke Young finishing a relatively sedate 67* (68 bs) as the hosts conceded an eye-watering 42 wides on a dismal day for them, sinking to the foot of the table after Hyde knocked off 217 with some 23 overs to spare. Nantwich were equally emphatic winners on their trip to Bowdon, Luke Robinson leading the way with a fluent 85 (81 bs) as the Dabbers racked up 283-8 after being put in. The spin duo of Scott Wardley and Denny Morgan, drafted in from the 2s, took 8-52 between them as Bowdon collapsed from 55-2 to 79-9, Wardley (5-22) taking the last wkt after a brief biff from the last man, Nantwich a massive 189 run win.

Game of the day was at Stockport Rd where Lindow held on in a high scoring thriller to beat Timperley by 9 runs. A rapid 62 (38 bs) from opener Jamieson Hedges was the prelude to successive tons for Dan Newton, a magnificent 101 (90 bs) powering Lindow to 346-8 after a 16-ball 39* from skipper Alex Matthews. That proved far from the end of the great batting as Fred Vaughan-Hawkins (67 off 44) gave a sparkling start to the Timpers chase. Skipper Ed Galley (51) then helped overseas Tim Reynolds add 108, but Lindow hit back with quick wkts to leave Timperley 202-6 in the 31st over. Jamie Matthews joined forces with Reynolds as the pair added a breathtaking 126 for the 7th, Reynolds showing brilliant form as he hit 9x6 and 15x4 in an amazing 164 (118 bs), Lindow on the ropes before Matthews was bowled by golden arm Isaac Brooks, who picked up another wkt three balls later, and crucially Reynolds, held off a skier, in his next over. So Timpers were all out 337 (including four ducks) in another epic match in their extraordinary 2025. Batting second in W-L matches this season, Timperley have made totals of 337, 322 and 287 – astonishingly, they've not won any of those games.



2025 WEEK 17 REVIEW - PREM cont. & DIV 1

The other Prem matches saw a vital win for Chester BH - their first since June 14th - to ease gnawing anxieties, and an equally crucial win for Neston in their meeting with fellow strugglers Widnes. CBH eased to a 7 wkt win over Brooklands, who after mustering just 99 last week, scarcely fared any better, all out 102 this

time. Ash Davis (3-10) rolled back the years and Rick Moore, after taking 4-28, finished 27*, accompanying Freddie Ogilby's fluent 54* in an unbroken stand of 73. Meanwhile, the basement battle at Parkgate saw just a third home win of the season for Neston, their decision to field first backed up by Matt Stewart's 4-41 as, despite having six players into double figures, Rohan Luthra's 71 was the only substantive contribution for Widnes in their 201. The 6.5 overs they didn't use cost them as Zak Rogers atoned for an expensive bowling spell with a patient 54*, good support from Matt Maritz (53) and stands of 35 and 42* for the next 2 wkts securing a 5 wkt win and what could be a telling 22 pt gap to the drop zone.

The result of the day in Div 1 was a nail-biting tie at Kingsway between leaders Cheadle and Sale. The hosts chose to bat and worked hard to post 230-5, Rob Basu's 59* and Adam Dooler's 47 the main contributions, Ash Burton a handy 29. In a nip-and-tuck reply, Sale tumbled from 170-3 to 175-6, Burton crucially running out Tyrone Lawrence (56) before then catching Amlyn Layton to end his quick-fire 29. That made it 215-7 in the 47th, 16 needed off 21 bs. Sale started the last over, bowled by Burton, on 222-8, Seb Schofield scrambling two off the first, before two dots, then a soaring six to level the scores. Amidst high drama, Burton then bowled Schofield before doing the same to the last man off the final ball, ending a slow-burning but gripping game. The 15 pts they took enabled Cheadle to maintain a healthy gap between them and second place Bramhall, whose much-anticipated game with fourth place Port Sunlight was a surprising no-contest, PS totally fluffing their lines after choosing to bat. Simon Wilkinson bowled a remarkable unbroken spell of 10-9-1-4 as PS cobbled together a paltry 73, Ryan Macciocchi taking 4-10 as Bramhall coasted home by 7 wkts.

Macclesfield stayed level on pts with Bramhall after a thrilling win with two balls and 3 wkts to spare at Maritime. The hosts recovered from 92-7 to reach 226-8, Kalhara Sinhage (94*) and skipper Thisal Jayawardene (36) adding a vital 86. Andrew Poppa (79) and John Birchall (55) added 117 for the 3rd and despite a Maritime fightback, Macc held their nerve for a vital 20 pts in a fine match. At the bottom, the inevitable occurred at Broad Lane when, notwithstanding a respectable recovery from 98-7 to reach 208 (Travis Scholes 64), Grappenhall's 6 wkt loss to Urmston confirmed it would be successive relegations for them. Urmston's Umar Munawar made 80*, his fourth half-century in his last five inns (the other was a duck). Davenham are odds-on to join Grappers after a thrashing at Toft, Liam Clorley returning an impressive 6-10 as Dav totalled just 89, brother Aidan them making 30* in a 9 wkt win. Despite a heavy home defeat at the hands of Stockport Georgians, for whom Ned Bailey made an excellent 100 and Bilal Shah an excitable 5-25, Marple have a 65 pt cushion between them and the drop zone, and with Davenham still having to play the top three in their last five games, it will take an astounding set of results to see them survive.

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2025 WEEK 17 REVIEW - DIVS 2 & 3

In Div 2 Alvanley suffered a surprise third loss of the season at Poynton, as NE Cheshire's 170 proved out of reach for the leaders in a slow-burner. The versatile Alv attack kept NEC well in check after putting them in, Steve Charles' spin netting him 5-31. But Alv found it tough going in response, Bayley Jenkinson bowling 10-4-12-3 as Alv lurched to 137-7. Chester Bowdon then produced a decisive spell with the wkts of Simon Gee and Chris Charles, and with only one boundary in the last five overs,

the ten needed off the last proved defendable as NEC won by two runs. It's still a healthy 37 pt cushion for the leaders, though, even after Bollington put last week behind them, Andrej Yaksender caressing a delightful 110* in an opening stand of 154 with Rick Hough (64) as Bolly eased to 224-2 and an 8 wkt win over visitors Stockport. Despite Naveed Gondal's terrific 96, a collapse from 211-5 in the 41st to 221 all out just three overs later could prove very expensive for Stockport, who will need to buck up quickly to ease relegation fears. Second-bottom Haslington looked a good bet to close the gap between the two sides after reducing Oulton Park to 9-2 needing 244. However, a brilliant fightback masterminded by skipper Andrew Dufty's 88* took OP to victory by 4 wkts with 11 balls unused, Haslington once again regretting a hefty wides tally (25) and a late collapse which saw them slide to 243 having been 240-7 (Dufty 4-42) and crucially leave 8 balls unused.

Christleton's Ben Stoddard was stumped for 99 but not too downhearted as they totalled 275-5 against bottom side Ashton OM, Stoddart then taking 3-27 and Sultan Raja 4-38 as AOM were all out 191, remaining bottom, although the 25 pt gap between them and safety is far from insurmountable. As for Christleton, they went back up to fourth, but are 29 pts behind Romiley, who in turn are still snapping at Bollington's heels after a comfortable 6 wkt win over Cheadle Hulme. CH made a mess of choosing to bat, guickly 31-3, Jordan Potts playing a lone hand with 62 as Mark Flattley's 4-22 saw CH all out 160 with 7 overs unused. Isaac Willett comfortably outdid brother Ollie by hitting 52, skipper Alex Hooton rounding off a fine personal display with 35* after taking 3-19, hitting a six to win the match. In the other game Ashley picked up a handy 20 pts with a hard-fought 65 run win over Upton, Jahangir Mushtag making 36, taking 2-49, a catch and a run out.

Div 3 leaders Tattenhall didn't muck about at Warrington, reeling off the 165 needed to win inside 25 overs, Corey Bovey 65* (62 bs). Warrington, who conceded a painful 40 extras, have only won once in their last seven completed games, their early leadership of the division a distant memory as they instead now concentrate very much on the wrong end. Barrow, on the other hand, after only just avoiding the basement last season, have enjoyed a fantastic turnaround, back upto second after a thrilling 1 wkt win against Hawk Green. HG's Josh Hampson made 91 as his side made a round 250 all out in their 50 overs. An action-packed reply saw Barrow 51-4 after 8 overs, but Logan Malthus made a patient 78, he and Tom Allen (39) adding 94. Maaz Afridi then crashed 49 off 32 before he fell with two needed, Barrow 249-8 with two overs remaining. A panicky run out next over added to the drama, but no.10 Will Doerr hit a four three balls later to seal a famous win, and one that could potentially have much promotion significance. Josh Westwood hit a sparkling 106 (82 bs) for Oakmere who racked up 277-6 against Winnington Park, WP never at the races in reply as extras top scored in their 145. Another fantastic knock occurred at Brooks Drive, where Heaton Mersey's Nachiket Verlekar made an imperious 139 (113 bs, 10x6, 11x4) out of a total of 222 against Hale Barns, who, despite an opening stand of 96, were all out 195 (Verlekar 2-38). Like the league leaders, Runcorn were another side in a hurry, skipper Kieran Maher whacking 37* (21 bs) and brother Neil hammering 61 (48 bs) as they raced to the 140 needed to overcome Over Peover inside 19 overs. Struggling Mobberley produced arguably the display of the day, Ibrar Latif hitting the last ball for six to finish 99* in their sumptuous 282-4 against Middlewich, who finished a distant second, 120 all out. Middlewich face Oakmere and Barrow in their next two games, their 12 pt lead over Mobberley looking wafter-thin, although Mobb visit Tattenhall next Sat.



CCCL TABLES - WEEK 17 (AUG 9 - 10)

1ST XI PREM		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
DIDSBURY	310	44
HYDE	283	36
NANTWICH	278	30
TIMPERLEY	264	25
ALDERLEY EDGE	237	30
LINDOW	212	37
BROOKLANDS	198	2
CHESTER BH	180	27
NESTON	171	33
BOWDON	160	11
WIDNES	149	11
OXTON	148	7

1ST XI	DIV 1	
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
CHEADLE	288	35
BRAMHALL	265	40
MACCLESFIELD	265	40
PORT SUNLIGHT	245	4
MARITIME	223	26
TOFT	213	26
URMSTON	205	40
SALE	198	33
S.GEORGIANS	189	25
MARPLE	181	8
DAVENHAM	116	2
GRAPPENHALL	66	9

1ST XI DIV 2		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
ALVANLEY	297	26
BOLLINGTON	260	21
ROMILEY	248	40
CHRISTLETON	219	24
UPTON	217	25
CHEADLE HULME	217	23
ASHLEY	208	40
N.E.CHESHIRE	200	40
OULTON PARK	193	27
STOCKPORT	132	6
HASLINGTON	114	10
ASHTON OM	107	6

1ST XI DIV 3		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
TATTENHALL	262	40
BARROW	244	40
OAKMERE	235	28
HAWK GREEN	225	28
HEATON MERSEY	224	26
HALE BARNS	218	26
WINNINGTON PARK	212	23
WARRINGTON	197	24
RUNCORN	185	26
MIDDLEWICH	171	8
MOBBERLEY	159	25
OVER PEOVER	124	7

2ND XI PREM		
TEAM	PTS	
DIDSBURY	310	
TOFT	298	
CHESTER BH	265	
CHEADLE	249	
OXTON	212	
NANTWICH	189	
BROOKLANDS	178	
TIMPERLEY	177	
WIDNES	151	
HYDE	148	
NESTON	126	
S.GEORGIANS	123	

2ND XI DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. LINDOW	246
2. ALVANLEY	231
3. MARITIME	227
11. H.MERSEY	158
12. GRAPPENHALL	104

2ND XI DIV 2	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. A.EDGE	285
2. URMSTON	233
3. ROMILEY	232
11. OULTON PARK	152
12. STOCKPORT	147

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2ND XI DIV 3	
ТОР & ВОТТОМ	PTS
1. W.PARK	298
2. ASHLEY	296
3. N.E.CHESHIRE	260
11. CHRISTLETON	145
12. NESTON 3	111

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TEAM	PTS
DIDSBURY	134
BROOKLANDS	122
S.GEORGIANS	98
TOFT	96
SALE	90
MARPLE/COMPS.	82
ASHLEY	80
TIMPERLEY	70
NANTWICH	62
GRAPPENHALL	28

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3RD XI SUN DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
HYDE	156
DIDSBURY 4	120
HEATON MERSEY	44
ASHTON OM	32

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TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
DIDSBURY 5	132
RUNCORN	120
S.GEORGIANS 4	50
TIMPERLEY 6	30

SUN 3RD XI OTHER DIVISIONS

Div 3 East: Top - Bredbury SM 2nd - Lindow

Div 3 West: Top - Christleton 2nd - Oxton

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

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WEEK 17 2ND & 3RD XI CRICKET

2ND XI CRICKET: Didsbury's second loss of the season saw things tighten up at the top of the Prem, Cheadle completing a league double as they won at Wilmslow Rd by 55 runs, bowling a strong Dids side out for 98 in an impressive bowling display after Jonty Walliker's earlier 5-37 proved to be in vain. Wins

for the chasing two - Toft over Widnes, and Chester BH, who pulled off a tricky chase of 176 to beat Brooklands - meant next week's meeting of CBH and Dids will carry extra significance, while Toft meet basement side Stockport Georgians, who went down by 71 runs at home to Timperley, for whom Rohan Parmar made 106*. The other key game at the foot saw Neston's Rohith Muthuvelu make a brilliant 118* as his side's long trip to an out-of-form Hyde ended with a crucial 33 run win, Neston off the foot and within 22 pts of their third-bottom hosts, who have a long trip of their own next week, away at Oxton. Hyde will be hoping Oxton don't repeat the form they showed on Sat at Nantwich, Mike Baker taking 7-30 after his side racked up 318-7 en-route to a thumping 163 run win.

Div 1 Ben Hamilton-Ryan (113*) and Henry James (72) put on 155 to steer leaders Lindow to a 7 wkt win over Marple, while Alvanley's fourth win in a row saw them upto second, a comfortable 102 run victory over Maritime in the meeting of second & third seeing the teams swap places. The clash of the bottom two saw Hunain Khan make 107* for Heaton Mersey, then taking 2-28 and bowling a maiden in the 49th over as, amongst high tension, they beat Grappenhall by 1 run. Remarkably, Bowdon beat Macclesfield by the same narrow margin.

In Div 2 Alderley Edge's Ashray Bhamidipati took 6-34 as the leaders swept aside AOM, while the battle between second & third saw Urmston swap places with Romiley after a comprehensive 112 run win. Much closer at Cale Green where Upton beat bottom side Stockport by 1 wkt, while despite Oakmere losing - Port Sunlight keeping their promotion push going with a 52 run win - Oulton Park fell back into the drop zone after taking just a point in their 9 wkt loss at Cheadle Hulme. OP entertain Stockport next Saturday in a key game for both sides.

In Div 3 a crackerjack of a game between the top two saw second place Ashley triumph - just - after a pulsating 1 run win over Winnington Park, WP's Matt Atherton finishing 98* after taking a single to leave the no.10 two balls to face. NE Cheshire kept up the pressure in third after beating Davenham while at the foot, Tattenhall's untidy 4 wkt win over 0xton chasing 75 meant they moved out of the bottom two.

2ND XI FINALS DAY: GRAPPENHALL CC, SUN 31 AUG 10:00 GRAPPENHALL V DIDSBURY 13:15 TIMPERLEY V CHESTER BH 16:45 FINAL

Sunday 3rd XI News In the Prem, Didsbury moved clear at the top after they beat Marple and all their title rivals lost. Brooklands went down at ever-improving Ashley, Georgians were well beaten by Sale, while Jakob Jordan made it consecutive Sunday tons for Nantwich, his 107 out of Nantwich's 185 at Toft helping his side to a 21 run win. At the foot Grappenhall's Lucas Read made 80 as the bottom side notched a second win of the campaign, beating Timperley. Still full steam ahead for Div 1 leaders Hyde as Zaeem Arshad clattered 101* off 64 bs in a 10 wkt win at Cheadle, Hyde 146-0 inside 20 overs, while Dids 4s stay second after beating Romiley. Metrovicks' Steve Warner (112) and Nishan Bhandary (100*) helped their side to a 137 run win in their derby at Ashton OM. Div 2 leaders Didsbury 5s stay top after beating Bollington, while there were tons for Woodley batsmen Dan Beese (111) and Waqar Malik (106) who put on 163 in their 42 run win over Georgians 4s, and Freddie White hit 103* for Davenham in their 82 run win over Metrovicks 4s. In Div 4 Langley (292-4) and Cheadle (292-3) tied a truly extraordinary match!



1st XI T20 QUALIFIERS FINALS DAY

The innovative secondary T20 competition for Div 2 & 3 sides produced entertaining cricket for a healthy sixed crowd on a beautiful day at Cheadle Hulme CC, Upton lifting the inaugural trophy after beating the hosts in the Final.

S/F 1: Cheadle Hulme 122 (18.4 os) beat Hawk Green 92-7 (20 os) by 30 runs The Div 2 side kept their Div 3 opponents at arms length in an undistinguished encounter. Olly Willett skied a return catch off the very first ball, setting the tone for a stuttering innings by the home side which ended with 8 balls unused. However, the 22 wides bowled by Hawk Green proved very expensive, as they found batting no easier and finished some way short despite having three wkts in hand when the overs ran out.



UPTON SKIPPER MATT SMITH HITS A SIX DURING THE FINAL

S/F 2: Upton 165-5 (20 os) beat North East Cheshire 154-8 (20 os) by 11 runs

In total contrast to the previous game, this was a gripping affair that went right to the wire, the brilliance of Bayley Jenkinson's 93*(56 bs, 4x6, 11x4) not quite enough for NEC as Upton's experience proved crucial at the death. As in the first semi, a wkt fell to the first ball of the match as Upton were quickly 11-2, but Lee Dixon's know-how was brought to bear, his 73* (54 bs) helping Upton post 165-5. Jenkinson was the class act in the reply but after his second wkt stand of 53 with skipper Danny Williams was broken, he saw a succession of partners come and go as recent Upton recruit Matty Brayne held his nerve in the final over, Jenkinson losing the strike with two balls remaining and left high and dry as his side saw a place in the final slip away.

Final: Upton 115-6 (18.2 os) beat Cheadle Hulme 114-8 (20 os) by 4 wkts Cheadle Hulme chose to bat first but struggled to make any real headway against the tight Upton attack. For the third game in a row the opening batsman was out for a duck (not first ball, though!) after the openers had taken just one run off the first ten balls bowled, which set the tone for another stuttering display in front of the home supporters. Ben Balderson hit two big sixes to raise hopes but his dismissal inside the powerplay was a blow, CH battling hard but losing two wkts in an over twice which snuffed out the momentum built by Jordan Potts (28) and Aayush Slathia (20). In reply Upton opted for the steady rather than the spectacular and took few chances, the CH bowlers keeping things as tight as they could but unable to take wkts in clusters as Upton had. Skipper Matt Smith played the star turn with 39* (32 bs), hitting the winning runs in the 19th over.

CHESHIRE CC NEWS









NCCA WESTERN DIV 2 AUG 10-12 ABERGAVENNY

WALES 166 (41.2 os) CHESHIRE 239-5 (70 os) CLOSE DAY 1 CHESHIRE LEAD BY 73 RUNS WITH 5 WKTS IN HAND

Cheshire got off to an encouraging start on Sunday in their quest for a victory in the Championship. After two drawn games that featured fairly slow first days, this opening couldn't have been more different. Wales opted to bat but Cheshire's accuracy and persistence in the heat (and after a long, late trip yesterday) was a huge credit to the side. Nine wickets fell to catches as Wales could only manage 166, all out inside 42 overs. In reply Cheshire started superbly, Henry Murray (Toft) and Ryan O'Brien (Hyde) putting on 97 together, but Murray's dismissal for 41 sparked a turnaround, Wales spinners Ollie Rayner and Brad Wadlan claiming 5 wkts including O'Brien for a well – made 74 (155 bs). At 164–5 Luke McCoy was joined by skipper David Wainwright and the pair continued their great batting form from the previous game, McCoy reaching a second consecutive half-century off 87 bs (finishing 59*) and Wainwright ending the day 37*. Their stand is worth 75 valuable runs and the lead of 73 is something Cheshire will be looking to stretch as far as possible on day two, with the weather set fair for the duration of the match.