



Division One – June 28:

Collins becomes league's first double centurion as more than 550 are scored at Oakmere

[Leigh 288-4, Oakmere 272-6](#)

This was the day when the league record for the highest individual score finally fell, and Leigh's Danielle Collins went on to become the first player in the CWCL to pass 200. A final over where she hit 20 runs took her past Heidi Cheadle's Division 1 record of 190, then Jenny Halstead's overall league record of 191, and then to her final milestone.

When Collins and Olivia McCusker shared an opening stand of 171, but McCusker herself only made 26, it genuinely looked as if something sensational could be on the cards from Collins. The final statistics certainly bear this out, as she plundered 160 in boundaries alone – 25 fours and 10 sixes – and recorded a final score of 204 not out from 132 deliveries.

Oakmere then more than played their part in the second innings, although they were perhaps always just a little behind where they would have liked to be in order to pull off what would have been another record, for a team's highest successful chase. In the end, they had to settle for the highest score ever made in the league by a team batting second. Phoebe Cottam's 89 led the way, aided by cameos from Thisumi Jayawarna, Emily Renshaw, Kerry Hartnett and Layla Dwyer.

Getting home in this run spree represented a vital win for Leigh, whose only previous victory this year had been over bottom club Northop Hall.

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[Didsbury 51, Stockport Georgians 53-3](#): In the only top division match of the day where the runs didn't flow at some stage, Georgians secured a potentially vital win. Both clubs went into this encounter with just one league defeat, but Didsbury were soon up against it as Holly Batey took three wickets in her opening spell. After a return of 4-14 the previous week, Ellie Mason was again in fine form with the ball, as her five wickets for eight runs took care of Didsbury's lower order. On a difficult surface, Georgians' chase wasn't entirely plain sailing, but their seventh successive league win never looked in doubt.

[Lindow 274-7, Chester Boughton Hall 162](#): Lindow have used several different opening partnerships in the various competitions in recent weeks, and all seem to have been a success. The Wilmslow side sit comfortably in second place, and their latest win started with a rapid opening stand of 65 between Holly Topp and Grace Hemsted. Lindow captain Carys White supplied the day's top score with a career best 92 from 76 balls, and Topp made 83 from 80 as a fast scoring rate was maintained throughout. Georgia Munro scored 64 from 59 balls in the reply as Chester tried to make the best of their day, but a late spell of 4-9 from Faye Smith saw the final wickets fall cheaply, depriving Boughton Hall of maximum batting points.

[Northop Hall 105, Leyland 107-0](#): There may have been some dramatic chases in the league in recent weeks, but this one was completed at a run rate of almost 14. England Under 19 Olivia Cunliffe has made a real breakthrough in the Cheshire league this year, and today she scored at a strike rate of almost 300, making 75 from 26 balls with nine fours and three sixes. Hollie Sigsworth's 29 was the top score in the first innings, but there were once again fine bowling spells from Leyland's Charlotte Whitaker and Isla Simpson.

Umpire Appointments 5th July

Oakmere v Didsbury – Graham Church & Emma Mallinson
Stockport Georgians v Northop Hall - Steven Foster & Oliver Passant
Chester Boughton Hall v Leigh - Ankit Jain & Terry Marnick

Division Two – June 28:

[Greenfield 87, Hayfield 91-2](#): Hayfield decisively maintained their 100 per cent record, as Freya Mason and Rhiannon Cowan both took three wickets to dismiss Greenfield cheaply. Helen Smith's 61 not out dominated the first innings card. Emily Bell then hit 33 from 31 balls as the chase was completed in 12.3 overs.

[Nantwich 199-5, Lindow 2nd XI 77](#): Nantwich still have just one defeat, and the second placed team maintained their challenge here with a convincing win. Bethan Hughes made 64, Izzi Pearson 64 and Morganne Prince 34 as they reached a solid total. Rebecca Othick and Eleanor Sinker then ripped through the Lindow top order.

[Upton 226-1, Alvanley 113](#): Upton moved into third place as they turned on the style at Alvanley. Lily Scudder made 119 not out from 124 balls, and Phillipa Dagger contributed an unbeaten 62 from 58 deliveries. Hannah McGowan's 5-19 inflicted considerable damage in reply, with only Isla Entwistle (75 from 64 balls) able to shine with the bat for Alvanley.

Division Three East – June 23:

[Macclesfield 99-2, Stockport Georgians 2nd XI 100-3:](#) Autumn Greensmith and Poonshirly Jayabalan made quick runs for Macclesfield, but Georgians eventually won comfortably, with rapid runs for Esme Halford and Bethany Evans.

June 28:

[Heaton Mersey & Cheadle 66, Whalley Range 69-3:](#) Whalley Range are still unbeaten in this division after a comfortable win here. Amy Shaw's 31 comprised almost half of the Heaton Mersey and Cheadle score as the rest struggled against Neha Biju (4-5) and Zainab Azam (3-2). Azam and Noreen Aslam-Latif would later see Whalley Range home after a difficult start at 24-3.

[Macclesfield 173-9, New Mills & High Peak North 119:](#) Whalley Range still have games in hand, but for now it's Macclesfield who top the table. Runs at the top of the card from Autumn Greensmith and in the middle order from Claire Thorley took them to an excellent total here, despite Josie Stone's spell of 4-22. Rachel Monteath made a fine 79 from 75 balls for New Mills, but with her score dominating the card, her side fell well short. Niamh Kelly took 4-14 in the second innings.

[North East Cheshire 71, Buxton 72-9:](#) While there were several headline grabbing performances in the top two divisions, there were few close finishes, and instead it was some of the low scoring games in the lower divisions that provided the nailbiting moments. Here, Buxton moved into second place by the skin of their teeth, thanks to Hannah Semple's 4-10 with the ball. Charlotte Lacey made 12 in the reply, and this was the highest individual score of the match, before numbers 10 and 11 sneaked Buxton over the line.

Division Four East – June 28:

[Didsbury 3rd XI 82-8, Brooklands 70:](#) Emily Vandersteen's 22 in the first innings was the top score in this low scoring affair, and her bowling spell of 2-7 would also be crucial, as Didsbury inflicted Brooklands' first league defeat of the year.

Division Four South East – June 24:

[Langley 101, Lindow 3rd XI 102-2:](#) Lindow 3rds maintained their 100 per cent league record with another commanding win. Jenny Wallace made 30 retired at a run per ball in the first innings, with Aoife Shephard reaching this milestone in 24 balls during the chase.

June 28:

[New Mills & High Peak North 2nd XI 60, Langley 64-2:](#) Poppy Hague and Lucy Worthington each took three wickets for very few runs, then Jenny Wallace's 33 retired from 18 balls led the way as Langley got home in just 7.2 overs for a first league win of the year.

Transfers for remainder of season:

Emily Hillier, Brooklands to Didsbury

T20 CHAMPIONSHIP

June 23:

[Nantwich 152-5, Stockport Georgians 156-2:](#) Sarah Nettleton and Charlotte Walker had Nantwich going at 10 per over for the first quarter of the innings. Flo Batey's three wickets soon checked the run rate and left her side with a manageable chase. Indeed Georgians would get home with all of 19 balls to spare – Gracie Whittle led the way as 38 came from the first two overs, and Manvi Rajshetty remained unbeaten on 62 from 47 balls to see the job through.

June 24:

[Lindow 136-2, Oakmere 114-9:](#) Lindow got off the mark in this competition. Laurie Sheridan and Any Seddon put on 81 in 11 overs for the first wicket for the Wilmslow club. Oakmere had a chance while Thisumi Jayawarna was at the crease, but after she departed, the innings fell away – Seddon and Alice Westerby both taking three wickets.

KNOCKOUT CUPS

Development Knockout Round Two – June 22:

[Oakmere 2nd XI 151-5, Oxton 103-7:](#) Oakmere posted a large total after three players – Maddi Lawson, Abbi Lamidey and Thisumi Jayawarna – made rapid scores of 30 retired. Lawson and Carys Salomon both took two wickets for only a few runs in the second innings, with Chloe Keogh's 30 retired being the top score for Oxton.

EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS

National Knockout Plate Northern Section Quarter-Final – June 22:

[Leyland 185-4](#), [Lindow 2nd XI 65](#): Leyland decisively moved one step closer to retaining the Plate they won last year. Summer Carrington's brutal 85 not out from 43 balls led the way to a target of more than nine per over, with Hannah Snape making 35 and Olivia Cunliffe 29. Sarah Brown, Bethan Smith and Charlotte Whitaker all returned excellent figures in the second innings, where almost half the runs were made by Alice Westerby, batting at number 10.

Northop Hall w/o Hightown St Mary's

OTHER NEWS

The ECB has launched 'The 53', a campaign celebrating [53 women](#) whose contributions are helping cricket thrive today. They include [Amy Jones](#) of Oakmere CC and Women & Girls Club Development Officer at the Cheshire Cricket Board; and [Gabi Brown](#), a former CWCL player who's umpiring journey has taken her to the top of the national women's umpire pathway in a short period of time.

***** I am delighted to report that the Presentation Night returns this year. Ticket information will be issued in due course, but for now, please mark your diaries for Saturday 3rd October. We look forward to celebrating the season together at Sale Rugby Football Club's Heywood Road ground in Brooklands. *****

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