



THE 2026 WEEK 12 REVIEW - PREMIER DIV

A cool, blustery start to the month saw the second half of the season provide intrigue at both ends of all the league tables. The first major trophy of the season was decided, as were the 1st XI T20 last eight. And more joy for Cheshire CC!

A day for the bowlers at Wilmslow Rd saw Didsbury stay top of the **Premier Division** after a low-scoring tussle with Timperley. Tom Hafil's call for a sharp single left opening partner Joe Cooke short of his ground to lift Timpers' morale, Chris Page's marathon 17-over spell ending with Dids 122-6. Hafil

remained, however, grinding out a three-hour 68 as Dids totalled 169. The left-hander's battling was to prove more than worth its weight, however, as seamers Liam Booth and Alex Young made inroads, and when Will Street found the edge of Ed Galley's bat, Timpers were 71-5. Street's spin continued to prove decisive as he lured a frustrated Joe Ashmore (51 off 98) into an ill-judged advance, finishing with 5-40 as Timpers were all out 132.

Hyde and Nantwich both kept up their pursuit of top spot, contrasting wins for those sides putting them level on 202 pts, 20 behind Didsbury. A testing surface at Werneth Low saw visitors Bramhall bat all but four balls of their allocation, making a hard-earned 196, skipper Nick Cantello top scoring with 42, Andy Mills 41, as Andrew Jackson and Charlie Barnard bowled 17 overs each and shared 5 wkts. And Jackson it was again with the bat, his 54-ball 63* the difference as Hyde edged home by 3 wkts in the 51st over. Nantwich on the other hand swept to a straightforward 7 wkt win over struggling Oxton, Henry Dobson's 55 in a different class at Whitehouse Lane but his side suffocated by Ray Doyle, whose 6.1-4-9-5 was the main reason Oxton only managed 128. Despite losing Ben Wright to the first ball of the reply Nantwich progressed to their target within 22 overs, skipper Luke Robinson a satisfied spectator as he wasn't needed to bat.

The top three all meet each other in August, and there is the fascinating Cheshire Cup match coming up on Sunday when Didsbury travel to Nantwich.

Cheadle stayed in fourth but were frustrated by a stubborn Brooklands side at Kingsway, who batted out for a draw after losing a wicket first ball of their reply to Cheadle's 254-7. Subhaan Mahmood ended a run of modest scores with an impressive 104 (153 bs), Dan Brown's perky 75 (53 bs) providing valuable late impetus for the hosts. But Ben Cunliffe and Caleb Jones batted together for some 35 overs, sharing a stand of 130, Cunliffe finally falling for 102 (131 bs) as Brooklands survived late Cheadle pressure to claim a hard-earned 7 pts.

Lindow went past 300 for the second successive week, Dan Newton (81) and Keshana Fonseka (61) doing the initial heavy lifting in their derby with Alderley Edge at Upcast Lane, which allowed Sam Battersby (51) Jamieson Hedges (41) and skipper Alex Matthews (40 off 27) to run amok as 85 runs came off the last 10, Lindow high and mighty on 322-7. It was (cont.)



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then time for Matthews to star with the ball, his 6-51 taking him to 29 league victims as AE were bowled out for 183. A first win in four was the best news of all for Lindow, but Alderley Edge are now winless since May 23rd, and although they were encouraged by their young acquisition Leo Burns (from Macclesfield) marking his Prem debut with a 49-ball 56, upcoming games against Nantwich and Cheadle are hardly what the doctor ordered. Indeed, Chester BH's win over Neston saw them move within 9 pts of AE, CBH having lost only one of their last seven matches. It was hardly a classic at Filkins Lane as the hosts grafted their way to 193-9. Neston replied strongly with Matt Strong (55) and Zak Rogers (50) getting them to 103-2, but then the crucial moments - Rogers was trapped lbw, and four balls later a catastrophic mix-up left Strong and John Sanders at the same end, Sanders run out without scoring. The spin of Jack Williams and Josh Leach then held sway as Neston collapsed to 137-8, and despite some defiance from Tom Jones they were bowled out for 164.

In **Division 1** a buoyant Bollington, fresh from beating the Prem leaders in their midweek T20 last 16 match, went back to the top of the table after sweeping aside Bowdon at South Downs Lane in a match that only lasted 47 overs. The seam of Harri Dickinson and George Lomas accrued 7-75 between them as Bowdon limped to just 105, and despite some initial untidiness in the chase, Tyran Liddiard's 33-ball 46* sealed a 7 wkt win inside 18 overs of batting. Bolly's day got even better as they were able to follow news of Widnes' heavy loss at third place Toft, Henry Murray making a superb 141 (126 bs) as Toft reached the heights of 275-9. It was a real off-day for Widnes who were three down in the powerplay and were all out 149 in the 37th - they will need to regroup quickly for the visit of mercurial Maritime to Beaconsfield Rd next week after the Bromborough side made it six wins out of their last seven league games by thrashing of Port Sunlight. PS were bundled out for just 114 by the skilful and varied Maritime attack, Sachin Jacob then helping himself to 62* as Maritime were home and hosed inside 19 overs, winning by 9 wkts.

PS will hardly have been encouraged by news of their next opponents, Marple, racing to an eye-catching 9 wkt win of their own, over Sale. Skipper Jack Grundy's decision to bowl first at Bowden Lane was fully justified as seamers Owen Reilly and George Clarke took 6-45 between them, Sale all at sea by drinks with the board showing 98-6, then 98-7 first ball after the resumption. They finished with just 117, Marple overseas Jack Feilen clearly having a bus to catch as he whacked 64* off just 55 balls, Mark Makin (35*) piling in as the pair added an unbroken 92 in under 12 overs to secure a 9 wkt win.

Stockport Georgians kept pace with Toft, those teams level on points after SG made it three wins in four courtesy of a 27 run victory at lowly Urmston. Francis Yates did the business with a well made 118*, hitting 14x4 and a six over the (cont.)



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netting at Moorside Rd which smashed the windscreen of a passing car! Thankfully the driver was uninjured and able to stop safely while the damage was attended to. Sean Duckworth then did damage of a different sort to the Urmston top order, the hosts having to reboot and put together a reply which, while full of endeavour, was clearly short on real belief, and although Umar Munawar battled hard for his 92 (124 bs) SG were never under any concerted pressure in the field, Muizz Ishaq's 4-38 finishing things off. In the other game Macclesfield shook off successive losses to record a 6 wkt win over Alvanley, who are now 42 pts adrift of safety and look odds-on to make an immediate return to Div 2. They had a glimmer of hope defending their 155 at Victoria Rd when Macc were 76-4, but Matt Fielding's no-nonsense 60* (46 bs) settled matters.

†Alvanley's interest in the National Village Cup ended on Sunday when they were beaten by 6 wkts at Woodhouse Grange in round 6 of the competition.

Third from bottom after five weeks of the campaign, a seventh straight win saw Upton surge to the top of **Division 2** with a DLS-adjusted 63 run win at Ashley. Upton made the best of the conditions after choosing to bat, a steady start enabling Lee Dixon to cut loose as he rolled back the years with a sparkling 87-ball 101*, Joe Green (55 off 34) helping him to add 102 in the last 9 overs as Upton piled up 313-6. Rain reduced Ashley's reply to 41 overs, skipper Alex Morfitt working hard for 74 but the required rate was always too much for a side who have now lost seven in a row. Three other sides remain within a win of the leaders, though, and Romiley's 2 wkt win over Oulton Park (which dislodged OP from top spot) kept them interested in that elusive promotion berth. Alex Hooton's 5-15 was the Romiley star turn as OP made 185 at Birchvale Drive, David Badrock then making 58 as Romiley progressed to 144-4, but his dismissal led to a slump as Rom teetered on 174-8, before they inched to the 20 pts with no further loss. Third-place Davenham teed up their visit to Upton next week with a 74 run win over NE Cheshire, skipper Connor Mizzi making 75 and Martyn East 72 in their 228-7. NEC were soon in dire straits at 34-5, and it was all but over at 100-9. A defiant last wkt stand of 54 at least gained NEC a further batting point, Sam Scragg (64) last out. In the other games struggling Grappenhall got a third win of the season, beating Cheadle Hulme, Tattenhall beat Christleton in their local scrap after Tom Hyslop (85) and Phil Johnson (54) put on 122 for the 1st - although both remain too close to the foot for comfort - and Haslington beat Oakmere, who have now lost three in a row.

In **Division 3** a heart-stopping 5 run win for Ashton OM saw them swap places with Heaton Mersey at the top of the table, HM left stunned after being 181-6 at one stage, then 199-8 with some four overs in hand. Veteran AOM scorer John Rishton was on duty and hopefully enjoyed a remarkable triumph for his resurgent side, who take on a Middlewich team next week who are firmly in the bottom two and took another pummelling at Haddon Field as Warrington beat them by 102 runs. That was a comparatively narrow squeak compared to the other side at the foot, Mobberley on the end of a humiliating 247 run loss at home to Runcorn. Kieran Maher eased his way to 129 (122 bs) as Mobb bowled 53 wides - 60 extras in total - Runcorn ending on a humongous 358-7 before skittling the hosts for 111, Maher 3-32. Matt Spells made 93* and Brad Edge 82 for Hale Barns as they knocked off 242 to beat Stockport by 5 wkts - HB stay third - while Cory Devanney's late 29-ball 51 added to Dan Ford's 86 for Winnington Park at Irby, WP ending on 247 and keeping the hosts at bay to claim a 38 run win, WP fourth and in good fettle for the fascinating clash with HB next week. In the other game Barrow winkled their way to a nervy 2 wkt win at Bredbury chasing just 88.

1ST XI PREM		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
DIDSBURY	222	24
HYDE	202	24
NANTWICH	202	24
CHEADLE	189	14
LINDOW	172	24
TIMPERLEY	150	5
ALDERLEY EDGE	147	5
CHESTER BH	138	24
NESTON	127	5
BRAMHALL	120	5
OXTON	91	1
BROOKLANDS	64	7

1ST XI DIV 1		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
BOLLINGTON	204	20
WIDNES	197	5
TOFT	168	20
S.GEORGIANS	168	20
MARITIME	158	20
MARPLE	143	20
MACCLESFIELD	135	20
PORT SUNLIGHT	132	1
SALE	125	1
BOWDON	116	2
URMSTON	83	5
ALVANLEY	74	3

1ST XI DIV 2		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
UPTON	181	20
OULTON PARK	175	5
DAVENHAM	173	20
ROMILEY	163	20
HASLINGTON	154	20
OAKMERE	136	2
N.E.CHESHIRE	132	5
CHEADLE HULME	132	6
TATTENHALL	128	20
CHRISTLETON	119	4
GRAPPENHALL	106	20
ASHLEY	96	5

1ST XI DIV 3		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
ASHTON OM	198	20
HEATON MERSEY	185	5
HALE BARNS	185	20
WINNINGTON PARK	173	20
BARROW	155	20
BREDBURY SM	142	3
WARRINGTON	139	20
RUNCORN	138	20
IRBY	129	7
STOCKPORT	120	5
MIDDLEWICH	76	5
MOBBERLEY	58	4

2ND XI PREM	
TEAM	PTS
DIDSBURY	212
BROOKLANDS	184
TOFT	168
CHESTER BH	165
OXTON	157
LINDOW	153
CHEADLE	134
NANTWICH	130
WIDNES	108
TIMPERLEY	102
UPTON	98
NESTON	82

2ND XI DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. MARPLE	225
2. S.GEORGIANS	183
3. MARITIME	164
11. ALVANLEY	96
12. A.EDGE	79

2ND XI DIV 2	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. WARRINGTON	208
2. GRAPPENHALL	196
3. UPTON 3	181
11. HASLINGTON	74
12. ASHLEY	52



2ND XI DIV 3	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. N.E.CHESHIRE	216
2. TIMPERLEY	179
3. BOLLINGTON	171
11. OXTON 3	112
12. NORTHWICH	38

3RD XI SUN PREM	
TEAM	PTS
S.GEORGIANS	147
BROOKLANDS	142
DIDSBURY	136
MARPLE/COMPS.	132
SALE	132
NANTWICH	107
HYDE	90
TOFT	80
TIMPERLEY	70
ASHLEY	34

3RD XI SUN DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
ELWORTH	173
CHEADLE	166
ROMILEY	66
RUNCORN	18

3RD XI SUN DIV 2	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
BREDBURY SM	158
ASHTON OM	154
S.GEORGIANS 4	74
DAVENHAM	45

SUN 3RD XI OTHER DIVISIONS

Div 3 East: Top - Cheadle Hulme
2nd - Bollington

Div 3 West: Top - Northwich
2nd - Maritime 4

Div 4: Top - Cheadle 4
2nd - Styal



WEEK 12 2ND & 3RD XI CRICKET

2ND XI CRICKET: The meeting of top and bottom in the **Prem** went decisively with the form book, Didsbury recovering from a shaky start at Neston to post 259, before Michael Taylor's 5-44 saw Neston bowled out for 177 (Jake Christley 66 off 95). That win enabled Dids to pull clear at the top after defeats for the four sides immediately beneath them. Brooklands lost heavily to visitors Nantwich, who reached 300-9 in their allocation before spinners Scott Wardley and Noah Birchall each took 3 wkts as Brooklands were bowled out for just 143. Toft went down at Widnes, who batted solidly throughout to make 273-4. Noah Wasilewski (89 off 86) batted wonderfully to lead the Toft chase but from 200-5 Widnes took charge, bowling their opponents out for 235. Chester BH suffered successive losses after they saw lowly Timperley get from 101-7 to 197 at Stockport Rd (Tom Matthews 64). CBH looked finished at 115-8 but a terrific father/son stand of 63 for the 9th (Archie Riley 42, Dan 26* after 4-33 earlier) produced a nail-biting conclusion before a fourth wkt for Joe Clark saw CBH all out 183. Oxton remain fifth but they had a shocker, falling in a heap at home to Cheadle as the visitors recorded a 149 run win, with 62 apiece for openers Ollie Tyson and skipper Matt Samuels helping take them to 249-7, Alex Read's spin (5-34) and Mark Hampson's pace then too much as Oxton only lasted 30 overs, 100 all out. In the other game Lindow beat Upton by 5 wkts.

Div 1 saw leaders Marple steam further ahead, their meeting with second place S.Georgians leading to a comfortable 7 wkt victory and a 42 pt gap opened up between them. Third place Maritime had a real day out at bottom side A.Edge, thrashing 360-5 off their 50, Asad Khan a dazzling 149* (99 bs) and Julian Morris 80 off 59. AE battled hard enough but were all out 208. It got worse for AE when they learned that fellow-strugglers Alvanley had beaten Bowdon by 7 wkts, Alv chasing down 208 with some 5 os to spare. The other winners were Bramhall, Sale (a handsome 9 wkt win over Romiley) and Didsbury 2As, who made it successive 20 pts after their long winless run.

In **Div 2** the top three all won, leaders Warrington beating fourth-place H.Mersey by 7 wkts. Struggling Haslington took a wkt fourth ball after choosing to bowl at Grappenhall, but it all went horribly awry as Arthur Pennington hammered a supreme 170* (152 bs), Grappers piling up 315-5 and winning by 233 runs. Wayne Greve also went mega for P.Sunlight v. Ashley, making a superb 152* (140 bs) as PS won by 194 runs

Although **Div 3** leaders NEC stayed top, beating Chester BH 3s by 6 wkts, the key game saw Bollington close the gap to second place Timperley after coming out on top by 19 runs in their meeting, Timpers collapsing from 112-3 to 137 all out. Runcorn are fourth after promising prospect John Duke took 5-10 in their win over hopelessly adrift Northwich. Tattenhall got a crucial 20 pts at the foot after their derby win over Christleton, which left Oxton in the drop zone on games lost after they were well beaten at Oulton Park.

3rd XI League News Despite losing out in their T20 semi-final, Stockport Georgians stayed top of the **Premier Division** after Brooklands lost at home to Nantwich. In the only other Prem game, Sale made 205-9 against Timperley. In a dramatic finale Tom Riley bowled four dot balls in the final over as Timpers could only garner 3 runs, finishing 205-8, match tied. In **Div 1** Elworth snatched defeat from the jaws of victory after they lost control of their 174 chase against Grappers. A chaotic final over saw them lose three wkts and only muster five runs as Grappers triumphed by 4 runs. Cheadle thus closed the gap although they were in a pickle against bottom side Runcorn, having to recover from 48-6 to reach 156, winning in the end by 64 runs. Tommy Lamb made 138 (112 bs) for Bowdon in their 228-9 vs Bramhall, but Bramhall won it by 3 wkts. In Mohammad Saipillai (113) and Vivek Tharaken (103) put on 238 for the 1st Ashton OM wkt against Christleton, AOM ending on 273-4. In reply the visitors were embarrassingly shot out for 30, a 243-run defeat ensuring a quiet return to base.

FORZA 3RD XI T20 FINALS DAY, SUNDAY JULY 5th, TOFT CC

DIDSBURY DO IT AGAIN!



Didsbury 3s 165-7 (20 os) beat Toft 134-7 (20 os) by 31 runs

An increasingly warm and pleasant day at Toft saw Didsbury 3s regain the Forza T20 3rd XI trophy after beating the hosts in a repeat of the 2025 Final. Twelve months previously Toft claimed a first-ever 3rd XI trophy but this time round it was to be Didsbury 3s day, as a side that included nine players with an average age of 17 secured a sixth Trophy win in the last eight seasons (excl. 2020). There was a dramatic start to the final when Kush Patel was out second ball, but a superb partnership between youngsters Nikash Hinduja (42 off 27) and Krishav Rangaraju (38 off 37) saw them add 83 in 9.2 overs with eye-catching strokeplay and excellent running. Toft then came back into it as Dids stumbled to 122-6 with four overs remaining but all-rounder Ben Lowe hit an authoritative 23 off 12 to lift his side past the 8-an-over run rate. This put Toft under immediate pressure and with Didsbury excellent in the field and with the ball, four wickets fell in the powerplay, Rangaraju pulling off a stunning running catch off a swirling drive to put his side in the driving seat. Despite an untidy spell of wides, Dids were always in front of the game with the run rate climbing out of control for Toft. League Chairman David Humpage presented the trophy to winning captain Michael Corbett and an Amazon voucher for the umpires choice of player of the match, Krishav Rangaraju. A good sized crowd were there to watch on and showed their appreciation for the teams, competition organiser David Gane and the match officials.

Semi Finals: Didsbury 3s 151-8 beat Stockport Georgians 115-8 by 36 runs

Toft 131-2 beat Didsbury 4s 130-4 by 8 wkts

THE FORZA 1st XI T20 CUP LAST 16

All the mini groups concluded this week.

Timperley 231-8 bt Brooklands 228-6 by 2 wkts

An incredible game of T20 cricket was won on the very last ball, Chris Page pulling the winning boundary to conclude an astonishing run-chase after Brooklands had earlier posted a huge target. 19 yr old Christian Jacobs powered his way to an amazing 34-ball 102, reaching that landmark after taking 30 (2-6-6-4-6-6) off the final over and hitting 10x6 in all. Timperley's reply started terribly with Dan Scholz run out in the first over, but aggressive strokeplay put the pressure right back on Brooklands. After 10 overs Timpers were actually 40 runs ahead of Brooklands' score at that stage, with Zak Christie leading the charge, hitting 7x6 and 7x4 in a 41-ball 83 as all the other batters made handy contributions. Brooklands could only have two men out for the final three balls and it almost worked for them, only for Page to find a crucial gap at the last, sparking loud celebrations from Timpers players and supporters.*

Bollington 99-4 bt Didsbury 98 by 6 wkts

The shock result of the night occurred at Wilmslow Rd where the Prem leaders and 2025 T20 runners-up crashed out after turning in a poor team performance and were all out with three overs unused. No-one got going with the bat and despite two very early wkts in reply, the Div 1 high-flyers, under no time pressure, could afford to stay patient, Andrej Yaksender's 40 the mainstay along with 30 extras, as Bolly celebrated a famous win.*

Hyde 144-6 bt Stockport Georgians 93-9 by 51 runs

An anticipated high-scoring fixture failed to materialise, bowlers holding sway on an increasingly testing surface. Despite a rare failure for Andrew Jackson with the bat, Hyde batted energetically to make a total which proved some way out of reach for Georgians, overseas Coby Fitzsimmons adding to his opening 30 with a parsimonious 4-9 from his spell of off-spin.

Maritime 149-2 bt Neston 144-9 by 8 wkts

An emphatic win for the Div 1 side over their Premier Division opponents served notice of the threat Maritime pose, as they eased to victory with some four overs to spare. Neston's bright powerplay (51-1) soon dissipated as Vishal Barigela (4-12) made his mark. No.11 Harry Donelan walloped 35 off 13 in a heartening last hurrah to get his side to 144-9, but he was the last of Mickel Joseph's three wkts, the powerful Guyanese all-rounder then opening the batting with a blistering 71 off 45 bs (4x6, 7x4) while Bilal Anwar helped himself to 53 (35 bs), Maritime a serious candidate to make Finals Day.*

THE FORZA 1st XI T20 CUP cont.

Lindow 145-9 bt Cheadle 144-8 by 1 run

Lindow struggled for fluency after winning the toss, James Duffy's 40 and 34 from Jamieson Hedges the main contributions after Josh Dooler (4-19) had proved especially hard to get away. After a disastrous (for them) powerplay Cheadle were all over the show at 17-4 and at halfway needed 102 more with only 5 wkts left. As the overs ticked down Adam Dooler took the lead in galvanising his team, and in an extraordinary push, the 57 Cheadle needed off the last 4 overs came down to 18 needed off the last - after just 2 runs came off the first three balls, Dooler hit a 4, then a six, to leave a maximum needed off the last ball (or a five to win on fewer wkts lost). But the left hander's drive went square for four, leaving Lindow breathing a huge sigh of relief. Dooler finished 88 (53 bs, 3x6, 13x4).*

Port Sunlight 184-5 bt Oxton 162-7 by 22 runs

Jordan Collier's explosive 88 (38 bs, 5x6, 10x4) against his former club set the tone for an excellent PS display, Cameron Elliott's 34-ball 38 keeping the momentum ticking as Oxton were left needing 9 an over. They started brightly enough with 33 on the board in 3 overs, but the crucial run out of skipper Henry Dobson for just 6 was a key moment. A brave stand of 83 for the fourth between Dane Williams (39) and Josh Brown (49) kept faint hopes alive but the required rate was always just out of reach..

Nantwich v Widnes - Widnes conceded.

Bowdon v Cheadle Hulme scheduled for Tues July 7th.

1st XI T20 Quarter-Finals = Thurs July 9

Hyde v Bollington Lindow v Bowdon or Cheadle Hulme

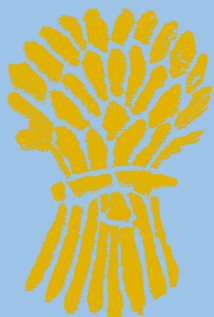
Port Sunlight v Maritime Timperley v Nantwich

1st XI Finals Day - Sun July 26th (reserve date = Aug 2)

Regional Finals - Sun. August 9th

National Area Finals - Sun. August 30th

Finals Day - Sun. Sept 20th at New Road, Worcester CCC



CHESHIRE CC NEWS

NCCA DOJO T20 GROUP 1

Sun 5 July (South Northumberland CC) s

Match 1: Cheshire 134-9 (19.5 os) beat Northumberland 133-7 (20 os) by 1 run

Match 2: Cheshire 182-7 (20 os) beat Northumberland 158-9 (20 os) by 24 runs

More good news for Cheshire as their double-win in their final group match enabled them to dislodge their opponents from the final qualifying spot and secure a place in the 'Super 12s' stage of the competition.

Two very different wins did the trick for Harry Dearden's side. The first game was a low-scoring affair with Northumberland kept well in check by the disciplined Cheshire bowling, Isaac Brooks (3-22) the pick. However, the first over of the reply saw Cheshire reeling at 4-2, things barely improving as the halfway point came with 49-5 on the board, Andrew Jackson dismissed four balls later and skipper Dearden out for 15, Cheshire 67-7 in the 15th. Former Bowdon player Xander Selby turned the tide with a bright innings, but at 108-9 with 14 balls remaining it was all in the hosts' favour. Brooks, no mug with the bat, joined Selby and the pair executed their plan to perfection, Selby going 4-6-4 as 17 came off the 19th over before Brooks clubbed a superb maximum off the penultimate ball of the match to seal the most dramatic of victories.

Game two saw Cheshire bat first - again another terrible start as Genaro Reddy bagged his second duck of the day, out lbw to the first delivery of the match. But his Alderley Edge team mate Alfie Usher settled nerves with a delightful 64 (38 bs), Fred Vaughan-Hawkins hitting four sixes in his 30-ball 45 and Xander Selby (18* off 8) again enjoying self as Cheshire set Northumberland a stiff task. Despite some brisk hitting, Northumberland found themselves three down in their powerplay, which hampered their subsequent efforts to keep up with the ever-increasing rate.

Sunday August 9th is the date for the start of the Super 12s.



THE FORZA T20 2ND XI TROPHY

The second round concluded in dramatic fashion on Tues when Div 1 leaders Marple held on in a tense finish to beat Hyde by 7 runs. Hyde looked finished after 10 os of their reply at 65-5 in pursuit of 164, but they quickly built momentum with a dynamic shift of tempo, only to fall a couple of boundaries short of a famous win.

R3 (July 7th): Cheadle v Heaton Mersey; Chester BH v Upton; Didsbury v Lindow; Nantwich v Toft; Port Sunlight v Neston; Urmston v Cheadle Hulme; Stockport Georgians v Marple; Warrington v Widnes.

CHESHIRE CUP 2026 ROUND 3

JULY 12

BIRKENHEAD PARK v HYDE
BROOKLANDS v TIMPERLEY
MARPLE v MARITIME
OXTON v BRAMHALL

BOLLINGTON v PORT SUNLIGHT
LINDOW v TOFT
NANTWICH v DIDSBURY
WALLASEY v BOWDON

