



THE 2026 WEEK 16 REVIEW - PREMIER DIV

A hot, dry Saturday saw many healthy totals, dramatic wins, and a second tie this season in the 2nd XI Prem, while on Sunday - in a repeat of the 2025 Final - Cheadle Hulme beat Upton to win the 1st XI Forza T20 Plate.

The final week of WLD cricket in the **Premier Division** saw Didsbury back at the top after they produced an excellent team display to win convincingly at leaders Hyde, while Neston provided the surprise result of the day as Matt Stewart's side won for the first time in five matches at Nantwich, of all places. After winning the toss skipper Luke Robinson led the way with 71 off 78 as his side put together 280-9 (boosted by 40 extras) before declaring to give themselves three extra overs. They were to prove of great significance as Neston's Matt Maritz (84 off 110) and Zak Rogers (89 off 80) both batted superbly, making the most of wonderful conditions and a rapid outfield, adding 118. When Maritz was dismissed Guy Bradshaw galvanised his partner as he and Rogers clubbed 57 off the next 5.3 os, the impetus the pair added helping carry Neston to a famous four wicket win in the 58th over, Bradshaw (49* off 28) watching Tom Jones - who it's not unusual for newsletter to be mentioning - hit the winning boundary. A priceless 24 pts for Neston which gives them a 30 pt cushion from the drop zone.

The big game at Werneth Low saw Didsbury win for a second year in succession at Hyde, inserting the hosts and backing that decision up with an excellent bowling and fielding display. There were three wkts apiece for Liam Booth and James Green, with only Liam Grindlay's determined 38 (75 bs) and Dave Fitzsimmons' 30 (57 bs) giving Hyde anything to cheer. Joe Cooke chipped in with two wkts of his own before hitting an impressive 78* (95 bs) - having made 104 in the reverse fixture earlier this season - Dids winning by 7 wkts. And so the champions take a 14 pt lead into the second W/L phase, with an intriguing set of fixtures coming up - Dids entertain fourth place Lindow next week, before playing Nantwich the week after. Hyde face Lindow on the 15th before welcoming Nantwich to Werneth Low on the 22nd.

As mentioned, Lindow maintained their interest in gatecrashing the top three with a brilliant 7 wkt win over Chester BH at Upcast Lane, the prolific Dan Newton again the star. Having been such a big factor with two unbeaten half-centuries in their T20 Finals Day win last Sun, Newton proved still impossible to dismiss on his home pitch, making a wonderful 118* off just 90 bs, his fourth league ton of the season, as he and Charlie Hodge (72*) adding a magnificent 188* for the fourth wkt. Chester, who didn't do a lot wrong with the bat, picked up just four pts after a lot of hard work (four more than the previous week) but their good run prior to these last two matches has at least left them sitting in sixth place.

Alderley Edge are level on pts with CBH but their winless run stretched to an improbable ten games after a 'losing draw' (in old money) at bottom side Brooklands. Young Brooklands keeper Sam Hill had led the way with 63 (95 bs) as the hosts grafted well for all but four balls of their entire allocation to make 267. AE then found themselves in an early pickle as (cont.)



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they lost four wickets before drinks with only 91 on the board in that time. They slipped further to 105-6 within seven overs of the resumption and spent the rest of the innings staving off a potentially damaging defeat which, for the second week in a row, Rohan Aggarwal played a key part in doing. As for Brooklands, despite a wholehearted effort in this match they are 73 points adrift, and with just six games remaining it will take a miracle for their Premier status to be retained, especially as four of those six matches are against the current top four sides.

On the other hand, Cheadle continue to have a marvellous time of it, unbeaten in five matches now and claiming an excellent three wicket win over fading Timperley in a tense tussle at Kingsway on Sat. Zak Thompson's aggressive 74 (54 balls) and Joe Ashmore's patient 47 (84 balls) were the main features of Timpers' 237, Josh Dooler's 6-57 the standout bowling performance. Veteran Chris Page (4-47) led a determined Timpers' bowling effort as Cheadle worked hard to chase the total, Ash Burton's 69 and Dan Brown's 49 giving the hosts hope before Dooler (35*) helped Max Fisher smack 20 off two overs to leave 7 needed off the last, achieved with two balls remaining. No wins in six for Timperley now, their next four games all against sides in and around them.

Oxton followed up last week's record-breaking total with a much more modest 106-3 but that was enough to sweep to a 7 wicket win over Bramhall, whose batting misfired at the worst possible moment. They crashed to 19-5 in no time at Townfield Lane before a fighting 46 from no.8 Ryan Macciocchi at least lifted his side into three figures, but it was never going to be remotely enough. They will need a strong start in the W/L phase to have any chance of survival, entertaining Alderley Edge and then going to Brooklands in their next two matches.

In **Division 1** leaders Widnes and second place Bollington both continued their winning ways. Widnes produced the performance of the day in Div 1 with a superbly-paced chase of 300 at Sale, where the firm pitch and baked outfield produced fabulous batting conditions. Opener James Dodds made 70, Muneeb Iftikhar 71, and Cam Kwok 72 (459 runs in his last 9 knocks), Sale 299-5. In reply Widnes produced a 'cut and paste' of their batting last week, when again several batsmen all got healthy scores, a solid platform built on by Luke McCoy (87 off 109), who provided the ballast which allowed Sean Bennett (49 off 44) and skipper Alex Hewitt (51* off 38) to accelerate as Widnes won by 7 wickets with 8 deliveries to spare to make it four wins in a row. Bollington kept pace, recovering from last week's setback with a comfortable 79 run win at Marple, skipper Rick Hough leading the way with a fine 110 (129 balls, his second ton in four innings) in Bolly's 296-7. Marple got themselves into a reasonable position at drinks, 108-1, but their fragile confidence betrayed them after the resumption as the innings never developed, Bolly winning by 79 runs. Marple's trip to Bowdon next week thus carries that bit of extra significance for both sides.

A REMARKABLE CCCL STATISTIC - ON THE SAME AFTERNOON AS BOLLINGTON 1ST XI SCORED 296-7, WITH OPENER RICK HOUGH SCORING 110 (129 BS), AND BOLLINGTON WINNING BY 79 RUNS, BOLLINGTON 2ND XI SCORED 296-9 AGAINST OXTON, WITH OPENER ZAHEER MOHAMED SCORING 110 (123 BS), BOLLY 2s WINNING BY 69 RUNS!

Despite a brave effort at a testing target on the Wirral, Bowdon lost for the third time in a row as they went down by 24 runs to Maritime, who look the only side capable of gatecrashing the top two. The visitors had done pretty well to contain Maritime to 188-5 after 40 overs, but Mickel Akeem Joseph (114*) and Vensakar Kanthiraj (51) got the party started as they crashed 95 off the last 10, Bowdon suddenly looking at 284 to win. Jack Tipton (86) set about the task in composed fashion, adding an impressive 128 with a patient Joe Chapple (45), but both fell within 5 balls of each other. Ashwin Sharma (45) and James Bottomley (37) tried to keep the impetus going but when Bottomley fell in the 45th (cont.)



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the innings fell away, ending on 259-9. The meeting of the bottom two at Moorside Rd went decisively the way of visitors Alvanley, who were in no mood to muck about as they doled out a 10 wkt hammering to Urmston. Michael Rowlands (56*) and Jono Whitley (54*) made it back-to-back wins for Alv who still have an escape route visible - although they have the current top two to play, their last game of the season is at home to Bowdon....but sadly for Urmston, they are needing snookers, and with a trip to Bollington next for them, that's looking a somewhat remote prospect.

In the other games, Macclesfield's Matt Fielding made 92 and Alex Thompson 61 as they won by 5 wkts at nearby Toft, for whom Connor Hastings again impressed with 61 and the Clorley brothers each made a half-century (Liam 58, Aidan 55). Meanwhile, after successive losses, Port Sunlight posted 236-7 at Stockport Georgians, skipper Jordan Collier making 70 and Jamie Hodgson 61. The hosts, off the back of making 347 the week previous, subsided for a discouraging 149, the only bright spot coming from the aptly-named Sam Bright who made a workmanlike 69 (111 bs), Collier and Hodgson chipping in with three wkts between them.

Division 2 continues to fascinate with both the top and bottom seeing sides bunched together. Upton recovered from their surprise defeat last week to win the game of the day against second place Oulton Park, who slipped out of the top two for the first time this season as a consequence of their 7 wkt defeat. OP's 141 was something of an anti-climax, Luke Camden whacking 73* (74 bs) to settle matters before drinks - Matt Owens chipping in with 31 after returning 4-2-2-3 earlier. That result enabled Davenham, with an eighth win in their last nine games, to slip into second place, skipper Connor Mizzi crunching 88* (69 bs) after Martyn East (65) and Sam Hunt (55) also made hay at Grappenhall's expense. Jason Batson had been the best Grappers bowler with 3-38 and his excellent 82 (68 bs) was the only crumb of comfort in their 74 run loss, which kept them too close to the drop zone for comfort. Reece Johnson (5-37) was the standout Davenham bowler, and they will be wanting to continue their splendid run, with half an eye on their game with Oulton Park in early Sept. As for Grappers, they were relieved to discover that Christleton also lost, those two sides separated by just 2 pts as Haslington won at Little Heath by 5 wkts. Ben Instead, who recently passed 7000 runs for Has in his career, made a superb 93* to steer his side into fourth. Bottom of the table Ashley produced an amazing fightback to beat Cheadle Hulme by 1 wkt, Ashley all over the show at 29-5 chasing 169 finding the necessary steel to turn things around through Hassnain Ashfaq (57) and Jamie Barlow (39* off 82). CH, who are nowhere near safe, were left kicking themselves that 67-0 became 168 all out. Romiley are also sliding towards danger after a fourth straight loss, this one especially damaging to morale having posted a sumptuous-looking 321-4 at home to Oakmere, Joe McNeeny carrying his bat for a fantastic 130*, Fin Brown bashing 70 and Oakmere - not for the first time - generous extras contributors with 47. But they batted superbly, James Norton (63) and Matt Worsdale (101) opening up with 116, and the next three batsmen all making at least 40 as the 72 needed off the last 10 was chased down with four balls to spare. Take your pick as to the most impressive feature of Tattenhall's 4 wkt win at NE Cheshire - the fact that, chasing 205, they were 88-5 after 24 os, or the fact that they didn't bowl any wides at all in their earlier 50 overs in the field.

In **Division 3** leaders Ashton OM and second place Heaton Mersey both toasted contrasting wins. AOM were sitting pretty after 40 os of the Winnington Park reply to their 238-9 at The Beets with WP 166-7. But the visitors showed why they are still harbouring realistic promotion hopes with an exhilarating charge in the last 10, Johnny Wales (61) and Michael Dunning (36 off 25) producing a thrilling counter-attack before Wales was caught with 8 balls remaining. With seven needed off the last, Sam Kingsman-Ali was tossed the ball and managed to concede just five runs in total, WP unable to find the boundary as AOM clung on to a 1 run win. Daniel Ahmed made 96 (87 bs) as H.Mersey beat Barrow by 6 wkts, stretching the gap to third place Hale Barns to 18 pts. HB were 97-9 at home to Bredbury SM but managed to post 127, a chase Bredbury made a three-course meal out of before squeaking home by 2 wkts. Warrington's recovery from 8-3 to reach 217 at home to Stockport was ultimately in vain as the visitors won by 3 wkts. Few arguments about player of the match at Mill Hill Rd, as Irby skipper Rafi Afridi followed up his 4-37 with 62 in their 6 wkt win over doomed Mobberley, or at Haddon Field, where Mid-
dlewich's Syed Abid hit 110 (140 bs) before taking 5-18 in their 54 run win over Runcorn, Middlewich 50 pts from safety as things stand.

1ST XI PREM		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
DIDSBURY	294	20
NANTWICH	278	4
HYDE	276	2
LINDOW	260	24
CHEADLE	245	24
CHESTER BH	186	4
ALDERLEY EDGE	186	8
TIMPERLEY	176	6
OXTON	173	24
NESTON	178	24
BRAMHALL	138	1
BROOKLANDS	95	16

1ST XI DIV 1		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
WIDNES	277	20
BOLLINGTON	271	20
MARITIME	223	20
TOFT	218	5
S.GEORGIANS	204	4
SALE	191	6
MACCLESFIELD	184	20
PORT SUNLIGHT	182	20
MARPLE	163	6
BOWDON	150	6
ALVANLEY	124	20
URMSTON	114	1

1ST XI DIV 2		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
UPTON	244	20
DAVENHAM	237	20
OULTON PARK	224	2
HASLINGTON	217	20
OAKMERE	202	20
TATTENHALL	193	20
N.E.CHESHIRE	183	5
ROMILEY	179	6
CHEADLE HULME	168	6
GRAPPENHALL	156	5
CHRISTLETON	154	4
ASHLEY	128	20

1ST XI DIV 3		
TEAM	PTS	MONTH
ASHTON OM	278	20
HEATON MERSEY	251	20
HALE BARNS	233	4
WINNINGTON PARK	225	7
BREDBURY SM	222	20
IRBY	194	20
STOCKPORT	182	20
WARRINGTON	177	6
BARROW	174	3
RUNCORN	161	6
MIDDLEWICH	111	20
MOBBERLEY	92	4

2ND XI PREM	
TEAM	PTS
DIDSBURY	255
CHESTER BH	245
BROOKLANDS	234
TOFT	228
OXTON	220
CHEADLE	185
LINDOW	182
NANTWICH	181
TIMPERLEY	160
WIDNES	138
UPTON	135
NESTON	133

2ND XI DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. MARPLE	275
2. MARITIME	244
3. S.GEORGIANS	236
11. BOWDON	138
12. ROMILEY	129



2ND XI DIV 2	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. WARRINGTON	273
2. GRAPPENHALL	262
3. UPTON 3	244
11. HASLINGTON	90
12. ASHLEY	70

2ND XI DIV 3	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
1. N.E.CHESHIRE	278
2. TIMPERLEY 3	243
3. BOLLINGTON	225
11. OXTON 3	148
12. NORTHWICH	23

3RD XI SUN PREM	
TEAM	PTS
S.GEORGIANS	214
BROOKLANDS	205
DIDSBURY	199
MARPLE/COMPS.	179
SALE	165
NANTWICH	130
TOFT	127
HYDE	120
TIMPERLEY	115
ASHLEY	54

3RD XI SUN DIV 1	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
ELWORTH	241
CHEADLE	232
HEATON MERSEY	78
RUNCORN	51

3RD XI SUN DIV 2	
TOP & BOTTOM	PTS
BREDBURY SM	238
DIDSBURY 5	206
S.TRINITY	105
DAVENHAM	65

SUN 3RD XI OTHER DIVISIONS

Div 3 East: Top - Bollington
2nd - Lindow

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

Div 4: Top - Styal
2nd - Cheadle 4



WEEK 16 2ND & 3RD XI CRICKET

2ND XI CRICKET: Didsbury's lead at the top of the **Prem** has shrunk to just 10 pts (it was 42 pts three weeks ago) after they played out a thrilling tie with Toft, and Chester BH won for the fourth time in a row. Noah Wasilewski hit a brilliant 137 and David Blackburn 69 as Toft racked up 298-8 at Wilmslow Rd, but Jacob Mills replied with a super 100 for Dids, as Sam Leech (74) and Jack Hastings (42) kept them right in contention. With six needed off the last amidst high tension, Toft held it together slightly better, but they would have been disappointed to concede two off the last ball, which gave each side 15 pts from a superb game. An opening stand of 138 between Charlie Fleet (63) and Ben Harvey (58) set CBH on their way to a 6 wkt win at Lindow, while Ollie Tarr's 85* (83 bs) steered Brooklands to a 7 wkt win at Upton to keep them third. Oxton's Charlie Clarke made a terrific 103*, he and Finn Dean (64) opening up with 138 as their side breezed to a 9 wkt win at Widnes, meaning that both Widnes and Upton are now well within range of Neston. The Parkgate side followed up their cup heroics on Mon with a second successive win, leaving them five pts from safety, piling up 291-6 (Chrissy Lacey 75, Rohith Muthuvelu 68) against Nantwich who were bowled out for 208 (Jakob Jordan 64, Fin Scullion 4-41 after 37 earlier). In the other game Timperley's Matt Wardle ended on 98* as his side knocked off 246 to beat Cheadle by 5 wkts.

Div 1 leaders Marple recovered from a shaky start to get a welcome 20 pts after a 5 wkt win over Dids 2As. Maritime moved into second after they won at Bowdon and Georgians lost out by 2 runs in a breathless finish at Alderley Edge. The last Georgians pair had added 42 in 40 before a third run-out of the inns meant AE finally moved out of the drop zone for the first time this season. Alvanley, another side who were struggling, are now well clear of trouble after a crushing 145 run win over Romiley, who sank to the foot as a result. Sale are also dipping a bit too close to the bottom for comfort after a fourth straight loss, this one by 5 wkts at Bramhall.

In **Div 2** Dan Chillingworth made a splendid 129 (119 bs) as P.Sunlight reached 284-5 against leaders Warrington. Despite an equally impressive 106 from Rohit Kumar in reply, 5-44 from Gareth Brooks saw Warrington lose by 48 runs, their lead reduced after Sam Trumper's 76* helped Grappers beat H.Mersey convincingly. HM slipped down to fourth after Upton 3s overtook them, beating struggling Haslington by 73 runs, Simon McGowan taking 5-27 to leave Haslington some 64 pts from safety with games rapidly running out.

Div 3 saw leaders NE Cheshire and second place Timperley 3 both win, while Zaheer Mohammed made 110 opening for Bollington, who made 296-9*, Bolly beating Oxton by 69 runs. Oxton need a win to lift them out of the drop zone but with Northwich next for them, the pressure at the foot is on Tattenhall who go to Oulton Park, OP getting further clear of trouble with a win at Stockport. (* see note in 1st XI Div 1).

3rd XI League News A composed 86* from Carlos Wakefield steered Georgians to a 7 wkt win over Brooklands, the two sides swapping places at the top of the **Premier Division**. Didsbury's Ben Lowe took a hat-trick with the first three balls of the match against Nantwich, Dids likewise going onto a 7 wkt win to keep their title defence alive. Ed Skelton made 93 for Marple/Compstall as they beat Sale while Hyde skittled Toft for just 52 to win by 104 runs. In **Div 1** the top three all lost, Bramhall closing the gap to third after a notable win over leaders Elworth, while in **Div 2** leaders Bredbury SM and second place Didsbury 5s both won. In **Div 3 East** leaders Bollington only just defended the 18 needed by Sale 4s off the last, winning by 1 run (Sale's Aryash Singh 100) while second place Lindow made it another torrid afternoon for the Macc Sunday XI, who conceded a 300+ total for the fourth time this season, Phil Clancy (97) and Joe Asher (152) opening up with a stand of 228 as Lindow piled up 348-5. Macc at least batted their 40 and made 200-9, their highest total in 2026.



1st XI FORZA T20 PLATE FINALS DAY

The second season of the innovative T20 competition for Div 2 & 3 sides produced entertaining cricket for a healthy sized crowd on a super day for cricket at Upton CC, where a repeat of last year's final saw Cheadle Hulme assuage their disappointment of 2025 with a dramatic 7 run victory to claim the Plate.

A superb effort by Upton made the many spectators very welcome, and the live stream complete with excellent commentary added to an enjoyable occasion.

S/F 1: Upton 155-6 (20 os) beat Hale Barns 87 (14.5 os) by 68 runs *The Div 2 leaders progressed smoothly into the Final after their match with Div 3 Hale Barns went entirely with the form book. Upton maintained a healthy run rate through their innings and set HB almost eight an over to win, and with the strength of their bowling this proved to be the tall order it seemed. Matt Owens following up his 30* with a return of 4-3 as HB collapsed from 80-3 at the end of the 11th, Luke Camden (3-19 to follow up his 26) also playing a pivotal role.*

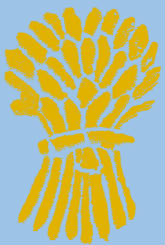
S/F 2: Cheadle Hulme 144-8 (20 os) beat Christleton 120-9 (20 os) by 24 runs

Two sides at the wrong end of Div 2 produced an entertaining encounter, Cheadle Hulme recovering from losing three wickets in the powerplay to add 101 in the last 14 os, Rhys Collister (48 off 42) and Jordan Potts (43 off 36) putting some beef into the latter stages. Max Dunvaband fell to the first ball of the reply as Christleton made the worst possible start, but Ben Stoddard and in particular Jake Liddle (50 off 43) rallied strongly, adding 71 in 12 overs to set up a good base. Potts (4-25) then dismissed both of them as CH took an iron grip, Christleton going to pieces as five wickets fell in eight balls, their hopes of victory evaporating as CH won through comfortably in the end.

Final: Cheadle Hulme 138-5 (20 os) beat Upton 131 (19.5 os) by 7 runs *A gripping final was decided off the penultimate ball. Upton's Phil McGowan, having hit the fourth ball of the final over out of the ground to leave his side leaving nine runs off two balls, could only hit a firm drive to long off. Understandably setting off for a second that was never there, McGowan turned back but was run out by bowler Jordan Potts to spark joyful celebrations amongst the Cheadle Hulme fielders, the hosts in despair after seeing a great opportunity go begging. Cheadle Hulme chose to bat, with a 5th wkt stand of 48 in 7.3 os between David Hughes (23) and Jordan Potts (30*) setting up a late flourish as Potts and Ruairidh Whelan took 32 off the last 3 overs. CH then bowled with great discipline, Upton 27-1 after their powerplay. Luke Camden launched a counter-attack but as wickets fell regularly at the other end, Camden became increasingly becalmed, and when he fell to a fine catch at long-on in the 16th over, Upton still needed 41 runs and Cheadle Hulme, with the bit between their teeth, left the hosts needing 19 off the last. Jordan Potts, with 4-19 to add to his earlier innings, plus the run-out at the end - along with his semi-final contribution - won the player award.*



CHEADLE HULME CELEBRATE THEIR FORZA T20 PLATE WIN



CHESHIRE CC NEWS

NCCA Cluberly Championship West Div 2 at Nantwich CC

(Day 2) Cheshire 222 and 9-2 trail Shropshire 272 by 41 runs

After their draw with Dorset last week, Cheshire slumped to 76-7 against Shropshire, the last three psp's batting for some 45 overs to help Cheshire post 222. Shropshire's lower order responded in kind, taking them to 272 before making early inroads into the hosts.

THE FORZA T20 2ND XI TROPHY Quarter Finals

Neston 119-2 beat Chester BH 118-7 by 8 wkts

The first of two big Cup shocks occurred on Monday when holders Chester BH crashed out at the hands of the club bottom of the Prem. Chester chose to bat but slumped from 47-1 to 62-6, and recovery proved beyond them as Neston romped to victory with almost 8 overs unused, Jake Christley following up his 2-14 with a super 61 (36 bs).*

Cheadle 123-3 beat Didsbury 120 by 7 wkts

Cup shock two occurred 24 hrs later as Didsbury's hopes of reaching a sixth successive Finals Day turned to dust. Batting first on a blameless pitch, a succession of soft dismissals left Dids in dire straits, Sai Subbiah (4-18) bowling successive wkt maidens in the powerplay as Cheadle never relaxed their grip. Jahangir Mushtag was largely responsible for 40 coming off the first 3 overs of the reply before Matt Samuels made the most of being dropped three times, bludgeoning 42 off 27 and helping Cheadle cruise to an impressive win.

Marple 166-7 beat Urmston 73 by 93 runs

One way traffic at Moorside Rd as the Div 1 leaders hammered their Div 2 opponents, all 8 Marple batsmen into double figures to set the hosts 8 an over. Urmston lost 5 wkts in the powerplay to effectively decide the match by that point.

FINALS DAY: SUNDAY AUGUST 16 at MARPLE CRICKET CLUB

10:15 SF1 - Widnes v Cheadle

13:30 SF2 - Marple v Neston

16:45 - Final

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Aug 2 - Quarter Final :

Upcast Lane:

BOLLINGTON 254-9 (40 os) beat LINDOW 223 (38 os) by 31 runs

The team second in Division 1 fought hard to record a famous win over a Lindow side without key players, but it was no less praiseworthy a victory for that. Skipper Rick Hough followed up his Saturday century with a three-ball duck but Andrej Yaksender once again rose to the occasion with a classy 127 (130 bs) taking him past 1200 runs in all comps this season. Great support from Cam Smail and George Lomas (35 apiece) took Bolly past 250, but as James Duffy (83) and Dan Newton (62) built an excellent 130 psp for the 3rd, it was advantage the hosts. Then a spell of three wkts in nine balls changed things dramatically, Duffy playing on, and Jamieson Hedges falling first ball to leave Lindow 199-6, recovery proving beyond them as Bollington booked their semi-final spot.

Aug 2 - ROUND 3

Birkenhead Park:

HYDE 181-9 (40 os) beat BIRKENHEAD PARK 124 (35 os) by 57 runs

The Prem high-flyers shrugged off the disappointment of their Saturday league loss to produce an excellent team display, progressing to a fourth successive QF in the Cheshire Cup. Liam Grindlay's patient 49 (70 bs) ensured Hyde batted out their 40 os - Louie Evans took 6-32 for BP - and when BP star man Lasith Embuldeniya fell for a four-ball duck Hyde relentlessly pressed their advantage home. Youngster Charlie King's 4-21 was the standout as the hosts spluttered to 75-7 at drinks, Hyde polishing things off shortly after to set up a local derby at Marple and the intriguing prospect of the Young brothers in opposition!

Aug 9: Quarter Finals: Oxton v Nantwich Marple v Hyde