



26th August certainly marked the day the weather turned in Cheshire, and since then we have had a number of cancellations and abandonments. These included:

- The CWCL Division 1 match between Lindow and Chester Boughton Hall, which would have been the first league match played on a Saturday during the regular men's club season
- Other important Division 1 matches involving contenders Stockport Georgians and Lindow
- The annual showpiece between the League XI and MCC
- Cheshire's final match of the season, away to Shropshire in the One Day Cup

In theory, weather-affected matches in divisions 2 to 4 of the CWCL can be re-arranged, and matches can be played until the end of September, but in practice, the choice of dates will be very limited.

Weather permitting, there's no doubt as to what the match of the day is on Sunday as Lindow and Stockport Georgians – the two division 1 sides with just a single league defeat this year - go head-to-head at Lindow's Upcast Lane ground. Georgians will travel to Leyland the day before in another top three clash, and if they win both matches, Georgians could be crowned champions next week, as both of Lindow's Bank Holiday weekend matches were washed out.

CHESHIRE WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Division One – August 23:

Chester Boughton Hall 161-8 (30), Oakmere 132-9 (30):

After a difficult start for Chester, Shree Dayama's 63 not out from 64 balls lifted them to a competitive total. Emily Renshaw's 33 was the top score for an Oakmere side who soon fell behind the required rate. Carys Lambe took three wickets in the second innings.

August 29:

Lindow v Chester Boughton Hall – cancelled due to rain

August 30:

Stockport Georgians 215-5 (30), Oakmere dnb: The thunder and rain had the last word here, but not before Georgians had reached maximum batting points with ease, led by Gracie Whittle's 80 from 45 balls, with 13 fours and two sixes. Thisumi Jayawarna took 3-15, but most of the other Oakmere bowlers struggled. Like fellow title contenders Lindow the day before, this match is recorded as a 'no result', but will Georgians extra six batting points make a difference in the final standings?

Chester Boughton Hall 133-6 (30), Leyland 47-0 (6):

Leyland's remaining title hopes suffered a significant blow when they were unable to complete this match. Leyland bossed proceedings throughout, but sufficient overs had not been completed when rain intervened for the final time. Holy Mayers made 59 not out for Chester, their only significant score, while Emma Duerden's 2-24 for Leyland not only kept the runs down but continued her bid to be the leading wicket taker of the season. Olivia Cunliffe led a charge for Leyland in reply, but to no avail.

August 31:

Leigh v Lindow – cancelled due to rain

Stockport Georgians 191, Northop Hall 170-4: A vital win for Georgians that owed much to their lower order. They were struggling at 111-9, with Poppy Smith taking four wickets and Shana Kelly three, but an incredible last wicket stand of 80 followed. Number nine Freya Jones made 56 not out from 55 balls, while number 11 Brooke Noden faced 45 balls and added 10 runs of her own. This breaks the league record for the 10th wicket of 74, set by Didsbury's Lauren Smith and Laura Smith, but while that was achieved in a losing cause, this was very much a stand that turned the game. It may even be the case that the partnership will make the difference between Georgians winning the league and finishing second or third. The Northop Hall innings saw them keep wickets in hand but fail to achieve the acceleration they were looking for. Hollie Sigsworth made 68 not out, while there were several sets of economical figures from the Georgians attack.

Umpire Appointments 6th September

Lindow v Stockport Georgians – Graham Church & Graham Pugh

Chester Boughton Hall v Didsbury – Brian Boys & Ian Dutton

Leyland v Leigh – Steven Foster & Emma Mallinson

Division Two – August 30:

[Nantwich 164-4dec, Hayfield 20](#): Nantwich decisively turned the Division 2 title race upside down and after winning this clash of the top two in utterly dominant fashion, they will be champions if they beat Didsbury seconds at home on Sunday. After only getting six bonus points from the reverse fixture, Nantwich needed a big win to regain the initiative, and they certainly did that here ! Aside from the period when Molly Doody took three wickets for Hayfield, the South Cheshire club were firmly in charge. Sarah Nettleton's 44 from 42 balls got them off to a flying start, and another 79 were added for the fourth wicket by Laura MacLeod and Morganne Prince following Doody's burst. With concerns over the weather, Nantwich gambled by calling time on their innings after just 28 overs, but this strategy paid off decisively. The pressure was already starting to build when only six runs came from the first four overs of the reply, and it was no surprise when the tight Nantwich bowling led to a run out in the fifth over. A veritable procession of wickets followed, and with matters completed inside 15.1 overs, there was no need for a bowling change. Nettleton took an incredible six wickets for six runs in 6.1 overs, while new ball partner Rebecca Othick claimed 3-13 in eight.

[Upton 27-1, Lindow 2nd XI dnb](#): Just five overs of action were possible here.

August 31:

[Lindow 2nd XI 128-7 \(25\), Greenfield 129-6 \(21.3\)](#): A result that improves Greenfield's chances of avoiding bottom spot, whilst doing nothing to help Lindow. In this reduced overs match, Louise Long made 58 from 42 balls, but the scoring rate was otherwise below par from what you might hope for a 25 over innings. Caitlin McDonald's spell of 3-8 inflicted considerable damage in the middle order. Alanya Thorpe's 35 from 21 balls got Greenfield off to a great start in reply and they stayed ahead of the required rate – despite Ivy Floyd's 3-15 – to record a potentially vital win.

Division Three East – August 24:

[North East Cheshire 167-8 \(20\), Heaton Mersey & Cheadle 71-4 \(15\)](#): Openers Fern Whittle and Freya Hadley made 40 and 39 respectively, and together with Rebecca Scholes' 30 from 17 balls, this took North East Cheshire to a formidable total. Jess Isaacs took 4-16 but the rest of the Heaton Mersey and Cheadle bowlers struggled. Sian Avery-Lofthouse took three wickets to seal a big win for North East.

Division Four West – August 30:

[Aston 64-4 \(10\), Grappenhall 57-7 \(10\)](#): Aston edged a reduced overs match for only their second win of the season. Caroline Lambden made 30 not out for Aston, while Rebecca Ellis top scored for Grappenhall with 26.

Player loans:

Jenny Wallace, Langley to Oakmere for league match on 30th August only

- The default start time for all Division 1 and 2 matches in September is 1230. The default start time remains at 1330 for all Sunday matches in Divisions 3 and 4.
- Following the T20 Women's World Cup in England & Wales, the ECB have launched the [Girls Cricket Accelerator Toolkit](#) – a practical resource to help clubs start, grow and sustain girls' cricket.

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T20 Championship	P	w	l	c	lcn	wcn	H2H	NRR	Pts
Nantwich CC	5	2	1	1	0	1		0.11	10
Chester Boughton Hall CC	5	3	2	0	0	0	3	-0.06	9
Didsbury CC	5	3	2	0	0	0	1.5	1.33	9
Stockport Georgians CC	5	3	2	0	0	0	0	0.7	9
Lindow CC	5	2	2	1	0	0		-0.53	7
Oakmere CC	5	0	4	0	1	0		-1.88	-1

Division 5 East	P	w	l	a	Pts
Heaton Mersey CC	8	7	1	0	22
Macclesfield CC	8	6	1	1	21
Didsbury CC	8	3	5	0	14
Langley CC	8	2	6	0	12
Hawk Green CC	8	1	6	1	11

Division 6 West & South	P	w	l	t	Pts
Christleton CC	10	7	2	1	25
Holmes Chapel CC	10	7	3	0	24
Crewe CC	10	6	4	0	22
Northwich CC	10	5	5	0	20
Alsager CC	10	2	7	1	15
Over Peover CC	10	2	8	0	14

Links to all league tables are available above. Final league tables will also be published here as each competition concludes.