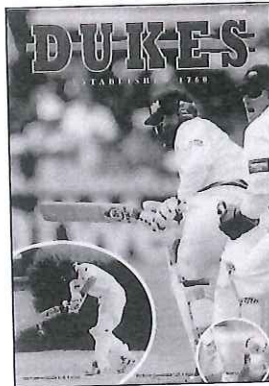


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FOREWORD

Coinciding with our joining "the West Midland" pyramid system a couple of years ago, it was inevitable that changes within our league would take place at a pace, which of course is exactly what is going on, with two of our hitherto stalwart clubs, Wellington and St. Georges, who captured the Division One title in 1999 moving on to pastures new. It goes without saying that we wish them both every success in their efforts to maintain and improve their status within the system.

However "life goes on", and on behalf of all connected with our league I would like to take this opportunity of welcoming former "Banks Shropshire League" side Albrighton into "the fold", and trust they will have an enjoyable stay with us.

Another notable departure from the "Shropshire Premier Cricket League" scene are Furrows Ltd., who after fifteen years of loyal support, which has been appreciated by all concerned, have decided to end their role as major sponsor, however as the saying goes, "as one door closes another one opens", and we are pleased that in this direction, we have struck a one year agreement with 'Bass-Worthington', which will be reviewed by our new major sponsor at the end of the current season.

Needless to say, we are both delighted and grateful to have joined forces with such a major company, and we hope and trust that all our Member Clubs will co-operate with Bass-Worthington as much as possible, because under the present agreement the more support our sponsors attain from your goodselves, will mean more extra finance being generated into league funds, which will be beneficial to each and every Member Club.

As you are aware we have a new points system in place this year, the aim being to ensure that matches remain meaningful, even in the final stages of the respective contests, it is also certain that this innovation which includes league tables being calculated on a percentage basis, will not penalise teams as before who suffer from more than their fair share of abandoned games.

I would also like to take this opportunity of thanking the local media, such as The Shrewsbury Chronicle, The Shropshire Star and B.B.C. Radio Shropshire for their excellent coverage and support in varying ways of league affairs. This also goes for the invaluable contributions forthcoming from league officials throughout the year, and in particular to our Secretary/Treasurer Brian Kitson, who is also responsible, yet again for producing this edition of the handbook.

Finally may I wish all cricket lovers in the county a very enjoyable summer of sport!

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SHROPSHIRE PREMIER CRICKET LEAGUE CONSTITUTION 2000

1. **TITLE:**
The title shall be 'The Shropshire Premier Cricket League' (Hereinafter referred to as 'the league').
2. **OBJECTIVE:**
To foster and maintain Club Cricket in Shropshire and surrounding areas.
3. **MEMBERSHIP:**
 - (a) The League shall consist of 12 member clubs namely:- Albrighton, Bridgnorth, Ludlow, Newport, Oswestry, Perkins, Shifnal, Shrewsbury, Broseley, Wem, Whitchurch and Wroxeter & Uppington Cricket Clubs.
 - (b) The League shall further consist of a number of divisions, the composition of which shall be decided by the Executive Committee, but the size of any division shall not normally exceed 12 teams.
 - (c) The number of clubs in membership shall only be increased if the Executive on the recommendation and guidance of the Constitution Committee so decide after investigating the merits of each application. The Executive Committee shall have the power to refuse any application for membership and is not bound to give any reason.
 - (d) Clubs wishing to resign from the League shall give notice in writing to the League Secretary by 1st October in the preceding year.
 - (e) Clubs desiring admission to the League must apply in writing to the League Secretary no later than the 1st November of the year preceding that in which they wish to take part.
 - (f) The Executive Committee reserves the right to ask any Club to resign if, in its opinion the general conduct of appointments of such a Club do not satisfy the requirements of the League. In the event of any complaints against a member of the Club, that Club shall receive 14 days prior notice of the Committees' intentions to hear that complaint, and will be invited to send a representative to attend that part of the meeting hearing the complaint. This action shall be in addition to any steps taken under 'Rules for the Conduct of Matches'.
 - (g) Any Club ceasing to be a member of the League, shall at once forfeit any rights of participation in the assets of the League.
4. **OFFICERS**
 - (a) The Officers of the League shall consist of the President, The Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Honorary Secretary/Honorary Treasurer, Honorary Fixture Secretary and Results Co-Ordinator, all of whom, with the exception of the President, shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. The President shall be elected by the Executive Committee.
 - (b) Honorary Life Members shall be elected by the Executive Committee in recognition of past services to the League and shall be entitled to attend meetings of the Executive Committee.
 - (c) An Honorary Legal Adviser shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

5. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- (a) The League shall be governed by an Executive Committee, consisting of the officers named in 4(a) above, representatives nominated by each member Club and a delegate nominated by the Shropshire Association of Cricket Umpires and Scorers.
- (b) Any officer named in 4(a) above and delegate nominated by the Shropshire Association of Cricket Umpires and Scorers shall declare his interest in any Member Club.
- (c) Not more than one representative from any one Club shall serve on this Committee, with the exception of the officers named in 4(a).
- (d) In his absence a representative may appoint a deputy to attend meetings on his behalf.
- (e) Nine members shall form a quorum.
- (f) At least ten days notice of meetings shall be given, such meetings to take place on the last Monday in the following months - January, March, June, September and October.
- (g) The Executive Committee shall be entitled to co-opt and may form sub-committees who's proposals shall be reported to the Executive Committee for ratification, with the exception of the Protest/Disciplinary sub-committee who will make decisions should the need arise according to 'The Code of Conduct'.
- (h) A Management Committee shall be formally appointed by the Executive Committee, with full power to deal with any matters or issues which may arise and which are not provided for in these rules.
- (i) Not more than one representative of each Member Club (or his deputy) shall be entitled to vote.
- (j) Any officer named in 4(a) and delegate nominated by the Shropshire Association of Cricket Umpires and Scorers shall be entitled to vote, providing he has no interest in any Member Club.
- (k) The Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, or if both are absent, a deputy appointed by the Committee shall preside at all Executive meetings and shall have a casting vote.
- (l) The decision of the Executive Committee shall be final.
- (m) Clubs are requested to name their Representative and Deputy along with the relevant information - e.g. addresses and telephone numbers, to the League Secretary by the first week in January, in any year.
- (n) Clubs must ensure that they are represented at Executive Meetings and failure to register a 75% attendance figure may lead to Clubs where appropriate, being liable to a financial penalty, not exceeding £50.00.
- (o) In the interests of continuity, Clubs may if they so wish be represented by both their Official Representative and their Deputy on the condition that only the former or in his absence the Deputy having the power to speak or vote on his Clubs' behalf at any such meetings.

6. **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

- (a) The Annual General Meeting shall be held in November each year.
- (b) Twenty-eight clear days notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given to all member clubs.

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- (c) Nominations for officers and members of the Executive Committee must be received by the League Secretary not later than seven clear days before the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- (d) Proposals for alterations to the constitution must be received by the League Secretary 42 days before the Annual General Meeting, the proposed alterations to the constitution shall be circulated to all member clubs at least 21 days before the date of the meeting.
- (e) Proposals for alterations to the constitution must receive a two thirds majority of the votes cast before acceptance and can only be considered at an Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting.
- (f) Not more than one representative of each Member Club or his deputy shall be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting. The Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote, but no other person shall have more than one vote.
- (g) If it is thought desirable that only certain Member Clubs should vote on a particular matter, this restriction shall only be permitted with the specific consent of the Annual General Meeting.
- (h) Proxy votes will not be accepted.
- (i) Nine Member Clubs shall form a quorum.

7. **EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

- (a) An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at the discretion of the Executive Committee or on receipt by the League Secretary of a written request signed by not less than a third of the Member Clubs, stating the reason for which the Extraordinary General Meeting shall be called.
- (b) The provisions applicable to the Annual General Meeting, with the exception of 6(a), shall also apply to an Extraordinary General Meeting whenever such a meeting is convened.

8. **FINANCE**

- (a) The subscription from each Club shall be £20.00 per team per annum, or as determined by the Executive Committee and shall be due as payable on the 1st May each year, Clubs not paying subscriptions by the date due, may be charged an extra £10.00 penalty every month or any part thereof, they remain in arrears.
- (b) If the League income from subscriptions is insufficient to meet League requirements, a further levy may be made on each Club, at the discretion of the Executive Committee.
- (c) The funds of the League shall be dealt with by and through an account with a bank, in the name of the League. Cheques may be drawn on two signatures, the Chairman, League Secretary and Honorary Treasurer shall be the authorised signatories.
- (d) The financial year shall end on September 30th, after which the accounts will be audited by an Honorary Auditor who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

9. **REPORTS AND AUDIT**

An Annual Report and audited accounts shall be submitted at the Annual General Meeting.

10. **TROPHIES**

- (a) Cups and shields respectively will be awarded at the end of each season to the champions and runners-up in both Divisions.

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- (b) In addition there shall be awards for 'Young Player of the Year', the batsman who has scored the most league runs and the bowler who has taken most league wickets during the season.
- (c) All trophies should be returned in good condition to the League Secretary not later than 30th September. Failure to do so may result in that Club being invoiced for the cost of a new trophy.

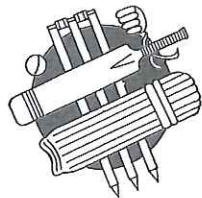
11. **FIXTURES**

- (a) All League matches will be played on the dates published in the League Handbook unless agreed as in (b) below.
- (b) Clubs wishing to re-arrange a published fixture must BOTH give written notice to the League Secretary not less than ten days before the date of the proposed alteration. Such changes must receive the sanction of the Executive Committee who will only allow them in exceptional circumstances.
- (c) Clubs not fulfilling fixtures shall be fined £50.00 for a first offence, £75.00 for a second offence and shall face expulsion from the League for a third offence.
- (d) Clubs will be informed of dates on which a League representative XI may be required to play in a competition and **save in exceptional circumstances**, no player selected for such a competition shall be withdrawn to play in a Club competition.
- (e) In the event of a Shropshire Premier League club qualifying for the final of the National Club Championship Trophy, any club desirous of re-arranging their League fixtures for that day may do so.

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SHROPSHIRE PREMIER CRICKET LEAGUE

CODE OF CONDUCT

1. The Code of Conduct defines the standards required of Clubs, Players and Officials.
2. All Member Clubs and their players must uphold the constitution and playing rules of the League.
3. All Member Clubs, players and officials must accept that
 - (a) Cricket within the League is played in a competitive manner at the highest level in regard to personal conduct and sportsmanship.
 - (b) They are responsible for ensuring that the spirit and the laws of the game are upheld at all times. Prime responsibility lies with the team captain, on the field of play and within the club premises, and in any connection with the game.
 - (c) Positive action is required by clubs to uphold the highest standards of behaviour. Both captains and clubs may be liable to disciplinary action for offences committed by players.
 - (d) Registration of players deems acceptance and understanding of the code of practice by each player so registered. Registration is for the complete season, and is not transferable between clubs during the season, unless both clubs involved and the player are completely agreed on the transfer.
 - (i) The Management Committee will arbitrate in the event of exceptional circumstances regarding registration and transfer of players.
4. Clubs, players and officials must understand at all times that the following behaviour is NOT acceptable, and non compliance will be deemed to be a disciplinary offence.
 - (a) The use of crude, obscene or foul language on the field of play and within the premises of the club.
 - (b) Any form of abuse, by action or word directed at the opposition, an umpire or members of the public.
 - (c) Any show of petulance, anger, disgust in a dissenting way against an umpire, opponent or team-mate when a decision is made for or against a player.
5. Clubs are responsible for the behaviour of players, members and spectators at all times. It is the responsibility of each club to acquaint their players and members of the Code of Conduct.
6. Clubs are expected to instigate their own internal enquiry when the standards in the Code of Conduct are not complied with, and, if misconduct has been proven, to impose punishment compatible with the said misconduct. The action taken by the club will be considered by the League Protest/Disciplinary Committee which will take any further action it considers necessary.

7. Any Club, Player or Official dealt with by the League Protest/Disciplinary Committee shall have the right of appeal to the Appeals Committee which shall comprise of three members of the League Management Committee other than those Management Committee Members serving on the Protest/Disciplinary Committee.
8. The decision of the Appeals Committee is binding on all parties and is not subject to any further right of appeal.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

1. The umpires panel organiser will inform the Protest/Disciplinary Committee Chairman by Sunday evening (latest) of any problem where he feels action would be appropriate.
Note: If the complaint is from any other source (clubs, spectators etc., the same procedure shall apply). All complaints direct to the Protest/Disciplinary Committee Chairman.
2. The Protest/Disciplinary Committee Chairman will notify the relevant Club Secretary or Management Committee delegate member by phone confirming the details of any complaint. He will then confirm the details of any discussion in writing with the least delay. The Protest/Disciplinary Committee Chairman puts committee on standby for following Monday.
3. The Club involved will be allowed until the following Sunday to confirm to the Protest/Disciplinary Chairman any actions they have taken (this would allow the offending player to play one more game).
4. On receipt of actions taken (no reply means no action taken) the Protest/Disciplinary Committee Chairman will contact his committee and the umpires panel organiser and they will assess whether the actions taken are sufficient and satisfactory (if yes, the issue ends once confirmation of details are passed to the appropriate sources).
5. If the Protest/Disciplinary Committee are not satisfied with the actions taken they will sit on the Monday evening to consider the issue in full. Clubs must be aware all suspensions will commence the following Saturday. (The Protest/Disciplinary Committee Chairman puts the Appeals Committee on standby).
6. The Protest/Disciplinary Committee inform the appropriate clubs of decisions taken.
7. Any appeals are to be heard by the end of the same week. The decisions must be final (clubs who select players pending appeal must withdraw the player if the appeal is unsuccessful).

KNOCK-OUT COMPETITIONS

In the case of knock-out competitions the procedure will be the same. The knock-out fixture will be treated as if played on the next Saturday to enable it to fit into the disciplinary time table.

RULES AND PLAYING ARRANGEMENTS

1. GENERAL

The Rules and Arrangements set out below will apply to both Divisions of the League from 1st April, 2000, and will continue until officially amended on the authority of the League Executive Committee.

2. QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS

(a) No player shall be brought in from an outside League to play in the League during the playing season without first obtaining the written consent of the League Management Committee of the League. An exemption will be made to this rule for clubs with teams competing in another league.

(b) A list of playing members for the coming season, from whom teams will be selected, must be submitted to the Registration Secretary before the commencement of the playing season. Failure to comply with this requirement, will result in no points being achieved until such a list is submitted. No permission will be granted to register players after 14th July, 2000, should however exceptional circumstances arise, in regard to the aforementioned, these will be dealt with and adjudicated upon by the League Management Committee.

Any new players must be registered with the League Secretary after any such list is submitted.

(i) In exceptional circumstances players may be registered on the day of the game with the permission of the League Management Committee.

(ii) Transfer Forms - issued by the League - are to be completed by both Clubs and acknowledged by the League Management Committee before players are eligible to play - any such transfers are to be completed within seven days.

(c) Any bona fide member of a club may take part in League matches provided that:

(i) Transfer of players - see 'Code of Conduct'.

(ii) If he has played in 12 or more first team matches, he shall not be allowed to play in any of the last three second eleven matches without the approval of the League Management Committee. Registered players who have made less than two league appearances for their Club during the current season - up to and including Saturday, August 12th, shall not be allowed to play in any of the final six league matches of the season without the permission of the League Management Committee, who may consider exceptional circumstances with regard to second elevens. **Note:** appearances for the Club shall include third and fourth eleven matches.

(iii) Only one overseas player, not qualifying under the following shall be allowed to play for a Member Club in any one League or "Chronicle" K.O. Competition game at any one time, however a player may not be considered an overseas player should he conform with the following criteria:-

(1) He has been resident in this country for a period of **twenty four consecutive months** before the date of his request for registration.

(2) He has not been out of this country for longer than 28 days consecutively or 56 days in total during the previous twenty four months.

(3) Any remuneration he receives from playing cricket, is not his main source of income.

Should a player, although not qualifying to play for England under the current E.C.B. regulations, conform with the three aforementioned criteria, he will be considered a 'bona-fide' Club Member.

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3. RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF ALL MATCHES

- (a) All teams shall play each other on a home and away basis, fixtures being arranged by the League Fixture Secretary between mid-April and mid-September. All fixtures shall take place on a Saturday unless clubs are desirous of re-arranging a fixture after they have been published. In this case BOTH clubs must give written notice to the League Secretary not less than ten days before the date of the proposed alteration and must be granted permission before carrying out any change. Any infringement of this rule will result in the match being declared void.
- (b) Matches shall be played in accordance with the LAWS of CRICKET subject to such specific points as are hereinafter stipulated.
- (c) No underarm bowling will be allowed in the League.
- (d) (i) The Executive Committee shall have the discretion to call a match void if they deem it necessary and may award or deduct points at their discretion.
- (ii) In games with panel umpires officiating (e.g. Division One Games) umpires are instructed to apply a strict and consistent interpretation of the law covering "Wide Ball" in order to prevent negative bowling, especially down the leg side or over the batsman's head.
The following criteria should be adopted as a guide to umpires :-
(a) If in the umpire's opinion the ball passes either side of the wicket, sufficiently wide to make it virtually impossible for the batsman to play a normal 'cricketing stroke' - both from where he is standing and where he should normally be standing at the crease, the umpire shall call and signal 'wide ball'.
(b) If the ball passes over head height of the batsman - standing upright at the crease, the umpire shall call and signal 'wide ball'.
Note: The aforementioned provisions do not apply if the striker makes contact with the ball or if it passes below head height between the striker and the wicket.
- (iii) After the toss has been made umpires officiating in Division One games shall be the sole arbiters of ground, weather and light conditions and are instructed that play shall not start, re-start or proceed when rain is falling.

4. HOURS AND CONDITIONS OF PLAY

- (a) All matches inclusive of Saturday, 29th April to Saturday, 12th August shall commence at 2.00 p.m., all matches inclusive of Saturday, 19th August to Saturday, 23rd September shall commence at 1.00 p.m.
- (b) No player shall be brought in from an outside League to play in the (b) Prompt starts are essential and the toss for innings shall take place at least fifteen minutes before the scheduled starting time. In the event of a team not being able to comply, the opposing team may, if it so wishes, exercise the right to claim the toss. Clubs who arrive late without a satisfactory explanation will be dealt with by the Executive Committee who may deduct two points from the record of the offending club.
- (c) (i) The duration of play shall be limited to 100 six-ball overs with an interval of 20 minutes for tea between innings.
(ii) In a 100 over match the side batting first may if they so wish, bat a maximum of 50 overs, with an interval of twenty minutes for the between innings.
(iii) In reduced over matches the side batting first may if they so wish receive a maximum of half the overs that constitute the match, the least number of overs to constitute a match shall be fifty.
(iv) The side batting second shall utilise the balance of the overs not used by the side batting first. Any odd balls bowled shall constitute an over.

- (v) In conjunction with the scorers, the umpires shall ensure that the recording of overs and runs is correctly made and adequately displayed. Before the first ball of the last over of each innings, the umpires shall call 'last over' clearly so that both sides understand.
- (vi) Captains may agree to reduce the overs before the toss takes place if in their opinion the weather conditions so indicate. In these circumstances the provisions of Rule 5 will have no bearing unless 30 minutes have been lost after the start of play. The minimum number of overs to constitute a match shall be fifty.
- (vii) No matches, inclusive of those scheduled for Saturday, 29th April to Saturday, 12th August, shall start after 5.00 p.m., no matches inclusive of those scheduled for Saturday, 19th August to Saturday, 23rd September, shall start after 4.00 p.m.

5. INTERRUPTION OF PLAY

- (a) (i) In the event of interference by weather, light or other unforeseen circumstances amounting to 30 minutes or more after the scheduled starting time of 2.00 p.m., play shall cease at 8.30 p.m., or on the completion of the final 20 overs, or on the completion of the number of overs that constitute that particular match, with the final 20 overs, as per the laws of cricket, commencing at 7.30 p.m.
- (ii) In the event of interference by weather, light or other unforeseen circumstances amounting to 30 minutes or more after the scheduled starting time of 1.00 p.m. play shall cease at 7.30 p.m., or on the completion of the final 20 overs, or on the completion of the number of overs that constitute that particular match, with the final 20 overs, as per the laws of cricket, commencing at 6.30 p.m.
- (iii) If an interruption of play occurs during the final 20 overs relative to A1 and A2, the number of overs shall be reduced by one over for every full three minutes lost, and if the reduced number of overs are completed in matches, commencing at 2.00 p.m before 8.30 p.m., and unless the number of overs constituting the completion of that particular match play will continue until 8.30 p.m., or on the completion of the number of overs calculated to be bowled in the last hour, whichever be the later. The same will apply to matches, commencing at 1.00 p.m. with the cessation time being 7.30 p.m.
Note: If the teams are off the field of play at the scheduled closing times detailed above, play shall be abandoned.
- (b) If, at the scheduled finishing times in (a) above, the side batting second still occupy the crease, and have received at least as many overs as the side batting first, then the game shall be a draw and the points allocated in accordance with Rule 6.
- (c) If the side batting second do not receive as many overs as the side batting first then the game shall be abandoned.
- (d) If a bowler is incapacitated during an over, that over shall be completed by any member of the fielding side other than he who bowled the previous over.

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ALLOCATION OF POINTS

Maximum points available in a single game - 20

WIN (W)	10pts
WINNING DRAW (WD)	6pts
LOSING DRAW (LD)	2pts
TIED GAME	8pts
LOSE	0pts

BATTING POINTS	
125 -	1 point
150 -	2 points
175 -	3 points
200 -	4 points
225 -	5 points

Example 1

Side A batting first scores 285 runs for eight wickets.
They then bowl out side B for 185.

Points Awarded

Side A would score (W) 10 points + 5 Batting points + 5 Bowling points
Total 20 points

Side B would score (L) 0 points + 4 Bowling points + 3 Batting points
Total 7 points

Example 3

Side A batting first scores 100 runs all out.
Side B score 101 for 5 wickets.

Points Awarded

Side A would score (L) 0 points + 0 Batting points + 2 Bowling points
Total 2 points

Side B would score (W) 10 points + 5 Bowling points + 5 Batting points
Total 20 points

Example 5

Side A batting first scores 200 runs all out.
Side B score 199 for 9 wickets.

Points Awarded

Side A would score (WD) 6 points + 4 Batting points + 4 Bowling points
Total 14 points

Side B would score (LD) 2 points + 5 Bowling points + 3 Batting points
Total 10 points

NOTE: Where a side batting second win the game, they get maximum batting points regardless of the total required.

The league table would be produced using the average points achieved to distinguish positions. Abandoned games would be excluded.

TIED MATCH: 8 points each, plus bonus points.

No bonus points shall be awarded in respect of abandoned games.

BOWLING POINTS	
2 wkts -	1 point
4 wkts -	2 points
6 wkts -	3 points
8 wkts -	4 points
10 wkts -	5 points

Example 2

Side A batting first scores 178 runs for eight wickets.
They then restrict side B to 151 for 9.

Points Awarded

Side A would score (WD) 6 points + 3 Batting points + 4 Bowling points
Total 13 points

Side B would score (LD) 2 points + 4 Bowling points + 2 Batting points
Total 8 points

Example 4

Side A batting first scores 226 runs all out.
Side B score 227 for 7 wickets.

Points Awarded

Side A would score (L) 0 points + 5 Batting points + 3 Bowling points
Total 8 points

Side B would score (W) 10 points + 5 Bowling point + 5 Batting points
Total 20 points

Example 6

Side A batting first scores 296 for 0.
Side B score 95 for 9 wickets.

Points Awarded

Side A would score (WD) 6 points + 5 Batting points + 4 Bowling points
Total 15 points

Side B would score (LD) 2 points + 0 Bowling point + 0 Batting points
Total 2 points

CAPTAINS LACK OF DECLARATION COST FIVE POINTS

NOTE: No points awarded for 75% of the score

The extra overs would be available to the side batting first, should they declare.

Balance of Overs will be available as per Rule 4 (iv).

7. **OVER RATE:**
In Division 1 games only, overs are required to be bowled at a **minimum average of 17 per hour**. Note: One minute shall be deducted in respect of the fielding sides overall time, for each wicket taken, this being in addition to any time lost, deemed by the umpire not to have been the fault of the fielding side. At the fall of each wicket match ball must be handed to either umpire. Clubs will be assessed at three points during the season, i.e. after 8, 15 and 22 games. Clubs failing to achieve the required rate at each assessment point will have 8 points deducted from their total on each occasion.
The three assessments will be based on the actual number of innings completed during the assessment period, and calculations for the next assessment will start from zero i.e. no plus or minus overs will be carried forward. (This will apply to all clubs, whether they have achieved the required rate or not). Any deduction of points required to be made will be made at the conclusion of each assessment period, and will be shown in published league tables, as early as possible after any such points deductions are made.
8. **RESTRICTION ON PLACEMENT OF FIELDERS**
Applicable to all Division One and Reserve Division One matches. In all league fixtures, at the instant of delivery a minimum of four fielders plus the wicket-keeper and bowler must be within an area bounded by two semi-circles centred on each middle stump, each with a radius of thirty yards and joined by a parallel line on each side of the pitch. In the event of an infringement the square leg umpire shall call and signal 'no-ball'.
The fielding circles may be marked by white painted dots at five yard intervals, or preferably by white plastic or rubber discs, not metal, measuring approximately seven inches in diameter.
9. **THE BALL**
Two new balls purchased through the League shall be used in all Division One and Reserve Division One games. The match ball must be handed to the bowler's end umpire at the fall of each wicket.
10. **QUALIFICATION OF UMPIRES**
(a) An umpire may be required to satisfy the League Management Committee as to his competence either on appointment or at any time thereafter.
(b) If one side provides an umpire and the other side does not provide one, that one umpire should be the official umpire for the match and should stand at the bowler's end throughout the match.
(c) Umpires should be responsible for noting and recording the over rate - viz. overs bowled and time taken - and will be required to note this information on the official League Score Sheet.
(d) The Shropshire Association of Cricket Umpires and Scorers will be responsible for appointing umpires to all Division One and Shrewsbury Chronicle Knockout fixtures.
(e) No fee as such is payable to umpires appointed from the panel. Expenses will be met by the Shropshire Association of Cricket Umpires and Scorers with all Division One Clubs being expected to submit, on request, a one-off payment to the Shropshire Association of Cricket Umpires and Scorers to cover such costs.
11. **PREPARATION OF PITCHES**
(a) Preparation of pitches must be in accordance with the M.C.C. Laws and Instruction. Pitches should not be watered in the 48 hour period preceding any match.
(b) Pitches may be wholly covered at all times where possible. Before the toss is made, the home Captain should advise his opposite number whether covers are available.
(c) The danger area relative to the bowlers's follow through, shall be marked and denoted - five feet in front of the popping crease, one foot either side of middle stump on the bowling crease.
12. **PLAYERS CROSSING**
(a) The attention of Captains is drawn to Note 2(b) of Law 31, whereby it is one of their duties to ensure the incoming batsman passes the outgoing one before the latter leaves the field of play.

13. **CANCELLATION OF MATCHES**
In the event of any ground being unfit for play owing to weather or other circumstances it shall be the responsibility of the home club to inform the visiting club of this fact.
This should be carried out on the day of the match NOT before 11.00 a.m. and NOT later than 12.00 noon in matches commencing at 2.00 p.m. and 10.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. in matches commencing at 1.00 p.m.
Opponents have the option to travel.
14. **NOTIFICATION OF RESULTS (IMPORTANT)**
(a) It shall be the responsibility of the home club in Division One, and Reserve Divisions One matches to telephone the scores of matches immediately after or within twenty four hours of the completion of League games to **Results Co-Ordinator Mike Robinson on (01691) 662159**, an answering service will be available to take your call.
It shall also be the responsibility of the home club to send full details of League Matches played, postponed or abandoned on the score sheet issued by the League and signed by both Captains, this score sheet must reach the Fixture Secretary Mike Teece, "Broughshane", Burway Road, Church Stretton, Shropshire, SY6 6DP by the Thursday following the completion of League games, failure to comply with any of the aforementioned may result in points being deducted from offending Clubs' records. For Division One games only, relative to results sheets only, these must be signed by both Captains and handed to the Match Umpires who will then forward them to the Fixture Secretary.
(b) In our efforts to maintain the standards of the League, Clubs should make every effort to notify "The Shropshire Star" of the results of their game by the Monday deadline.
15. **LEAGUE POSITIONAL PLACINGS**
In the event of two or more teams having acquired the same percentage return in the league table, the following factors shall be used to determine their final placing in the table.
Firstly - most wins, secondly - least defeats, thirdly - most winning draws, fourthly - most away wins. If still equal the points tally of league matches played that season between the teams involved, if still equal, most wickets taken during the season.
16. **ARTIFICIAL PITCHES**
Clubs outside Division One who wish to play a League fixture on an artificial pitch, must notify and obtain agreement from the opposing team ten days before the fixture is due to be played. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the loss of points.
17. **SIGHTSCREENS**
Sight screens shall be operational in all league matches.
18. **SCORERS**
Division One Clubs are reminded that they are responsible for providing a scorer in all Division One fixtures. Two people must be in the scoreboard during the duration of the game. If this instruction is not followed, umpires may halt the game until such time as two people are in attendance in the scoreboard.
19. **E.C.B. FAST BOWLING DIRECTIVES**
It is the responsibility of the Captain to inform the umpires, prior to the commencement of the match, of the names and relevant age group of any player under the age of 19 as at midnight on 31st August 1999.
Captains are expected to ensure that any fast bowler who falls within the under 19 age group and younger does not exceed the ECB Directives for maximum overs per spell, maximum overs per day and minimum rest periods between spells. If the circumstances of the match result in a situation where the available overs per day are bowled in more than the maximum number of spells it is essential that the maximum overs per spell and minimum rest period Directives are strictly followed.
Umpires will monitor the above and inform Captains of any potential breach of the Directives prior to the commencement of the over which would bring about the breach.

In these circumstances, should the Captain refuse to withdraw the bowler, the umpire will inform the Captain that he will be in breach of the ECB Directives and therefore (a) he will personally assume full responsibility for this action including transfer of all legal liabilities to him from the umpires and (b) both Captain and bowler will be reported to the League.

On receiving such a report, the League will advise the relevant County Board(s) of the breach and may impose sanctions against the Club, Captain or bowler, which may include suspension and/or deduction of points.

The definition of a fast bowler, as one to whom the wicket keeper in normal circumstances would stand back to take the ball, should be interpreted according to the age group of the bowler - for example, if the bowler is under 17 would it be reasonable to expect an under 17 wicket keeper to stand up. If Captains have any doubt as to whether a young fast bowler is covered by the Directives they should consult the County Coach for the relevant age group guidance.

Please ensure that all Club Captains and Coaches are made aware of this procedure as soon as possible.

20. **PROTECTIVE HELMETS**

All batsmen in both divisions, aged 18 and under must wear protective helmets.

These rules are binding on all players and clubs in the League and the Executive Committee may take action against defaulting clubs or players.

IMPORTANT DON'T FORGET

**Results of all games must
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ending.**

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DIVISION ONE FIXTURES 2000

RESERVE DIVISION FIXTURES are the reverse of these

29th April, 2000

Bridgnorth v Broseley
Newport v Perkins
Oswestry v Ludlow
Shifnal v Albrighton
Wem v Shrewsbury
Wroxeter v Whitchurch

6th May, 2000

Albrighton v Oswestry
Broseley v Shifnal
Ludlow v Newport
Perkins v Wem
Shrewsbury v Wroxeter
Whitchurch v Bridgnorth

13th May, 2000

Bridgnorth v Wroxeter
Newport v Albrighton
Oswestry v Broseley
Perkins v Shrewsbury
Shifnal v Whitchurch
Wem v Ludlow

20th May, 2000

Albrighton v Wem
Broseley v Newport
Ludlow v Perkins
Shrewsbury v Bridgnorth
Whitchurch v Oswestry
Wroxeter v Shifnal

27th May, 2000

Ludlow v Shrewsbury
Newport v Whitchurch
Oswestry v Wroxeter
Perkins v Albrighton
Shifnal v Bridgnorth
Wem v Broseley

3rd June, 2000

Albrighton v Ludlow
Bridgnorth v Oswestry
Broseley v Perkins
Shrewsbury v Shifnal
Whitchurch v Wem
Wroxeter v Newport

10th June, 2000

Albrighton v Shrewsbury
Ludlow v Broseley
Newport v Bridgnorth
Oswestry v Shifnal
Perkins v Whitchurch
Wem v Wroxeter

17th June, 2000

Bridgnorth v Wem
Broseley v Albrighton
Shifnal v Newport
Shrewsbury v Oswestry
Whitchurch v Ludlow
Wroxeter v Perkins

24th June, 2000

Albrighton v Whitchurch
Broseley v Shrewsbury
Ludlow v Wroxeter
Newport v Oswestry
Perkins v Bridgnorth
Wem v Shifnal

1st July, 2000

Bridgnorth v Ludlow
Oswestry v Wem
Shifnal v Perkins
Shrewsbury v Newport
Whitchurch v Broseley
Wroxeter v Albrighton

8th July, 2000

Albrighton v Bridgnorth
Broseley v Wroxeter
Ludlow v Shifnal
Newport v Wem
Perkins v Oswestry
Shrewsbury v Whitchurch

15th July, 2000

Albrighton v Shifnal
Broseley v Bridgnorth
Ludlow v Oswestry
Perkins v Newport
Shrewsbury v Wem
Whitchurch v Wroxeter

22nd July, 2000

Bridgnorth v Whitchurch
Newport v Ludlow
Oswestry v Albrighton
Shifnal v Broseley
Wem v Perkins
Wroxeter v Shrewsbury

29th July, 2000

Albrighton v Newport
Broseley v Oswestry
Ludlow v Wem
Shrewsbury v Perkins
Whitchurch v Shifnal
Wroxeter v Bridgnorth

5th August, 2000

Bridgnorth v Shrewsbury
Newport v Broseley
Oswestry v Whitchurch
Perkins v Ludlow
Shifnal v Wroxeter
Wem v Albrighton

12th August, 2000

Albrighton v Perkins
Bridgnorth v Shifnal
Broseley v Wem
Shrewsbury v Ludlow
Whitchurch v Newport
Wroxeter v Oswestry

19th August, 2000

Ludlow v Albrighton
Newport v Wroxeter
Oswestry v Bridgnorth
Perkins v Broseley
Shifnal v Shrewsbury
Wem v Whitchurch

26th August, 2000

Bridgnorth v Newport
Broseley v Ludlow
Shifnal v Oswestry
Shrewsbury v Albrighton
Whitchurch v Perkins
Wroxeter v Wem

2nd September, 2000

Albrighton v Broseley
Ludlow v Whitchurch
Newport v Shifnal
Oswestry v Shrewsbury
Perkins v Wroxeter
Wem v Bridgnorth

9th September, 2000

Bridgnorth v Perkins
Oswestry v Newport
Shifnal v Wem
Shrewsbury v Broseley
Whitchurch v Albrighton
Wroxeter v Ludlow

16th September, 2000

Albrighton v Wroxeter
Broseley v Whitchurch
Ludlow v Bridgnorth
Newport v Shrewsbury
Perkins v Shifnal
Wem v Oswestry

23rd September, 2000

Bridgnorth v Albrighton
Oswestry v Perkins
Shifnal v Ludlow
Wem v Newport
Whitchurch v Shrewsbury
Wroxeter v Broseley

1999 HONOURS

DIVISION ONE

Champions: **St. Georges**
Runners Up: **Shifnal**

RESERVE DIVISION ONE

Champions: **Shifnal**
Runners Up: **Oswestry**

SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE CUP KNOCKOUT COMPETITION

Winners: **Wellington**
Runners Up: **Wroxeter**
Man of the Match: **Gavin Byram (Wellington)**

1999 INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

YOUNG PLAYER OF THE YEAR: **Mark Bamford (Shrewsbury)**

MOST RUNS DURING SEASON: **Peter Solway (Shrewsbury - 887)**
(DIVISION 1) (Shropshire Star Trophy)

MOST WICKETS DURING SEASON: TIE: **Andy Barnard (Shrewsbury - 63)**
Adam Shimmons (Shifnal - 63)
(DIVISION 1) (Shropshire Star Trophy)

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PREVIOUS YEARS' DIVISIONAL WINNERS/RUNNERS UP

Winners Runners up

DIVISION ONE

1970	Rolls Royce	Newport
1971	Newport/Wem (TIE)	
1972	Oswestry/Shifnal (TIE)	
1973	Wroxeter	St. Georges
1974	Wroxeter	Newport
1975	Shrewsbury	Wroxeter
1976	Shrewsbury	Bridgnorth
1977	Newport	Shrewsbury
1978	Shrewsbury	St. Georges
1979	Wroxeter	Shrewsbury
1980	Shrewsbury	Wroxeter
1981	Whitchurch	Newport
1982	Shrewsbury	Wem
1983	Shrewsbury	Whitchurch
1984	Shrewsbury	Shifnal
1985	Shrewsbury	Shifnal
1986	Shrewsbury	Wroxeter
1987	Shrewsbury	Wem
1988	Wroxeter	Newport
1989	Newport	Shrewsbury
1990	Shrewsbury	Shifnal
1991	Newport	Wroxeter
1992	Wem	Shrewsbury
1993	Wroxeter	Shifnal
1994	Wroxeter	Shrewsbury
1995	Wroxeter	Shrewsbury
1996	St. Georges	Perkins
1997	Ludlow	Wroxeter
1998	Wellington	Newport
1999	St. Georges	Shifnal

RESERVE DIVISION ONE

1970	Newport	Rolls Royce
1971	Newport	Wem
1972	Wellington	Newport
1973	Newport	Wroxeter
1974	Bridgnorth	Newport
1975	Wellington	Shrewsbury
1976	Newport	Shrewsbury
1977	Shrewsbury	Wroxeter
1978	Bridgnorth	Wroxeter
1979	Shrewsbury	Whitchurch
1980	Whitchurch	Wellington
1981	Bridgnorth	Whitchurch
1982	Newport	Bridgnorth
1983	Shrewsbury	St. Georges
1984	Wem	Newport
1985	Wroxeter	Whitchurch
1986	St. Georges	Bridgnorth
1987	Shrewsbury	Newport
1988	Wroxeter	St. Georges
1989	Bridgnorth	St. Georges
1990	Shrewsbury	Shifnal
1991	Shifnal	St. Georges
1992	Wroxeter	Oswestry
1993	Wroxeter	Oswestry
1994	Shrewsbury	Oswestry
1995	Bridgnorth	Wroxeter
1996	Bridgnorth	Shifnal
1997	Oswestry	Bridgnorth
1998	Bridgnorth	Wroxeter
1999	Shifnal	Oswestry

DIVISION ONE STATISTICS 1999

Final League Table

	P	W	L	5pt	4pt	1pt	Opt	A	B/Pts	Points
St. Georges	22	12	3	0	0	1	1	5	45	157
Shifnal	22	10	5	0	5	1	0	1	52	156
Wroxeter	22	10	4	2	2	1	1	2	50	155
Shrewsbury	22	9	3	1	5	1	1	2	46	150
Ludlow	22	9	7	1	2	0	0	3	40	134
Newport	22	8	5	0	2	2	1	4	44	130
Bridgnorth	22	7	6	2	2	3	0	2	42	125
Broseley*	22	8	5	0	1	3	0	5	40	110
Oswestry	22	7	11	0	0	2	1	1	46	107
Whitchurch	22	3	10	0	1	4	2	2	32	70
Perkins*	22	3	13	0	2	1	0	3	29	63
Wem.	22	2	16	1	0	1	0	2	25	53

* Broseley deducted 16 points for slow over rate

* Perkins deducted 8 points for slow over rate

Highs and Lows

Highest Total by Team :			
291-7	Shrewsbury v. Bridgnorth	31st July	
Lowest Total by Team :			
59	Wem v. Wroxeter	5th June	

Batsmen Scoring Centuries (11)

151	M. Hasnain	Whitchurch v. Bridgnorth	17th July
132	M. Asim	St. Georges v. Ludlow	10th July
122	M. Hasnain	Whitchurch v. St. Georges	31st July
119	M. Porteous	Ludlow v. Oswestry	14th August
113	T. Parton	Broseley v. Whitchurch	26th June
108	T. Daly	Ludlow v. Bridgnorth	26th June
106*	D. Murdoch	Bridgnorth v. Shrewsbury	31st July
106*	M. Turner	Bridgnorth v. Oswestry	7th July
106	M. Bamford	Shrewsbury v. Wroxeter	17th July
102	P. Solway	Shrewsbury v. Wroxeter	17th July
101	M. Asim	St. Georges v. Perkins	3rd July

Bowlers Taking 7 Wickets or More (5)

8-36	M. Shablir	Broseley v. Whitchurch	11th September
7-16	N. Clewley	Bridgnorth v. Wem	12th June
7-24	S. Akbar	Broseley v. Perkins	14th August
7-40	L. Mason	Bridgnorth v. St. Georges	14th August
7-41	S. Akbar	Broseley v. Bridgnorth	10th July

DIVISION ONE AVERAGES 1999

BATTING (qualification 10 innings, average over 28.00)

Name	Club	Innings	Not Out	Highest Score	Runs	Average
J. B. R. JONES	Wroxeter	10	5	67	359	71.80
M. HASNAIN	Whitchurch	10	0	151	549	54.90
T. DALY	Ludlow	19	3	108	735	45.94
K. HUMPHREYS	Shifnal	13	5	78*	355	44.38
P. SOLWAY	Shrewsbury	22	2	102	887	44.35
A. JOHNSON	St. Georges	21	7	87*	597	42.64
P. SPARROW	Ludlow	13	2	87	469	42.64
M. TURNER	Bridgnorth	19	3	106*	631	39.44
E. HOME	Wroxeter	15	6	83*	351	39.00
R. BURTON	Wroxeter	15	4	95	425	38.64
M. ASIM	St. Georges	13	1	132	442	36.83
H. MAJEED	Broseley	17	3	79*	514	36.71
N. STOCKILL	Newport	11	4	85*	255	36.43
M. PORTEOUS	Ludlow	17	1	119	547	34.19
N. ARCHIBALD	Broseley	18	1	83	559	32.88
T. PARTON	Broseley	10	0	113	325	32.50
M. DAVIES	St. Georges	20	4	86	515	32.19
P. FURNISS	Newport	19	1	71	527	29.28
C. DIRKIN	Newport	10	0	51	290	29.00
W. DAVIES	Wroxeter	16	2	65*	397	28.36
M. BAMFORD	Shrewsbury	20	2	106	507	28.17

BOWLING (qualification 20 wickets, average under 18.00)

Name	Club	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
N. SLADE	Wroxeter	235	52	640	54	11.85
T. OWEN	St. Georges	205	74	463	37	12.51
A. SHIMMONS	Shifnal	338	67	854	63	13.56
C. LEWIS	Shifnal	187	43	526	38	13.84
M. BAMFORD	Shrewsbury	114	18	320	22	14.55
G. WILLIAMS	Perkins	87	13	298	20	14.90
T. FERN	Wroxeter	114	24	329	22	14.95
D. BOWETT	Wroxeter	139	37	359	24	14.96
G. GILBERT	Shifnal	202	38	614	41	14.98
N. CLEWLEY	Bridgnorth	135	26	455	30	15.17
A. BARNARD	Shrewsbury	353	90	985	63	15.63
M. ASIM	St. Georges	152	16	489	30	16.30
P. MASSEY	Wroxeter	243	64	687	42	16.36
M. AKTAR	Broseley	111	15	377	23	16.39
S. AKBAR	Broseley	223	29	663	39	17.00
H. MAJEED	Broseley	94	17	361	21	17.19
N. GOODWIN	Ludlow	144	22	467	27	17.30
T. DAVIES	Newport	171	33	503	29	17.34
S. HOOD	Ludlow	198	54	555	31	17.90

RESERVE DIVISION ONE STATISTICS 1999

Final League Table

	P	W	L	5pt	4pt	1pt	Opt	A	B/Pts	Points
Shifnal	22	10	2	2	3	1	0	4	47	162
Oswestry	22	11	2	2	1	0	2	4	45	159
Ludlow	22	11	4	1	2	1	0	3	46	157
Bridgnorth	22	9	2	2	1	3	0	5	43	147
Shrewsbury	22	10	6	1	1	1	1	2	49	145
St. Georges	22	9	6	1	0	2	1	3	41	129
Perkins	22	8	9	1	0	0	1	3	40	118
Wroxeter	22	7	8	1	1	1	0	4	38	116
Wem	22	5	11	1	2	2	0	1	44	102
Newport	22	3	12	0	0	1	2	4	40	77
Broseley	22	5	12	0	0	0	2	3	27	76
Whitchurch	22	1	15	0	1	0	3	2	29	47

Highs and Lows

Highest Total by Team :			
322-5 dec	Bridgnorth v. Whitchurch	17th July	
Lowest Total by Team :			
38	St. Georges v. Shrewsbury	28th August	

Batsmen Scoring Centuries (8)

149	M. MacPherson-Lees	Bridgnorth v. Whitchurch	1st May
124*	G. Simpson	Wem v. Perkins	17th July
123*	C. Whitney	Bridgnorth v. Whitchurch	17th July
115*	B. Jones	Oswestry v. Wem	31st July
110	T. Somerville	Shrewsbury v. Broseley	19th June
106*	L. Brazier	St. Georges v. Broseley	24th July
102	G. Simpson	Wem v. Broseley	22nd May
100	G. Thompson	Bridgnorth v. Whitchurch	17th July

Bowlers Taking 7 Wickets or More (7)

8-33	N. Jones	Shrewsbury v. Shifnal	14th August
7-26	R. Clorley	Wem v. Broseley	22nd May
7-31	G. Mark	Bridgnorth v. Ludlow	26th June
7-34	T. Ball	Oswestry v. Perkins	22nd May
7-40	T. Ball	Oswestry v. St. Georges	1st May
7-56	A. Hyde	St. Georges v. Newport	19th June
7-76	N. Jones	Shrewsbury v. Wroxeter	17th July

RESERVE DIVISION ONE AVERAGES 1999

BATTING (qualification 10 innings, average over 25.00)

Name	Club	Innings	Not Out	Highest Score	Runs	Average
JOHN HERN	Ludlow	11	4	98	357	51.00
G. SIMPSON	Wem	18	3	124*	675	45.00
A. MEREDITH	Ludlow	12	2	55	404	40.40
G. HUGHES	St. Georges	11	1	93*	397	39.70
B. PERRY	Wem	10	4	41*	231	38.56
D. BREARLEY	Wroxeter	15	2	85	483	37.10
B. JONES	Oswestry	12	1	115*	374	34.00
G. THOMPSON	Bridgnorth	12	1	100	325	29.55
D. SHAW	Oswestry	11	2	87	265	29.44
J. HULME	Oswestry	11	2	62*	262	29.11
R. GENNER	Ludlow	15	0	86	412	27.50
R. PUGH	Bridgnorth	12	2	79	274	27.40
A. TEMPEST	Newport	10	1	57	246	27.30
G. MARK	Bridgnorth	10	6	60*	108	27.00
N. BAKER	Shrewsbury	18	8	36*	259	25.90
D. PEARCE	Shrewsbury	19	0	64	490	25.79

BOWLING (qualification 20 wickets, average under 20.00)

Name	Club	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
G. MARK	Bridgnorth	207.5	50	517	50	10.34
H. BANKS	Shrewsbury	88.4	20	208	20	10.40
T. BALL	Oswestry	120.5	27	369	35	10.54
A. LEGGATT	Oswestry	102	30	282	26	10.85
A. SHELLY	Shifnal	201	48	517	46	11.23
I. ROE	Bridgnorth	95.5	28	245	21	11.66
M. GRIFFITHS	Perkins	144	30	427	36	11.80
A. HYDE	St. Georges	116.1	28	335	28	11.90
J. WILLIAMS	Wroxeter	181.5	21	385	31	12.42
J. TAYLOR	Shifnal	146	48	331	25	13.24
N. JONES	Shrewsbury	174	34	589	44	13.39
M. CAINE	Bridgnorth	123	23	383	27	14.19
W. WORSDELL	Wem	141.1	25	486	34	14.29
C. EPHRAIM	Ludlow	186.5	29	571	39	14.64
R. JONES	Wroxeter	221	18	410	28	14.64
P. MILNER	Ludlow	123.5	26	401	27	14.85
I. POLLARD	Newport	230.2	51	777	49	15.80
D. BOTTOMS	Ludlow	166.2	37	487	29	16.79
G. ROBERTS	Oswestry	169.5	21	493	28	17.61
P. COOTE	Ludlow	170	34	474	26	18.23
S. N. GWILT	Perkins	119	21	427	23	18.50
C. BROTHWOOD	Whitchurch	105	21	475	24	19.79

Non-aka of loss after start.

SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE CUP KNOCKOUT COMPETITION RULES 2000

1. **Objective**
The objective of the competition is to promote an eleven-a-side evening knock-out competition in Shropshire and surrounding areas. The matches will be played according to the M.C.C. Laws of Cricket (1980 Code) modified as under 3 below.
2. **Organisation**
The 'Shrewsbury Chronicle Knock-Out Competition' shall be open to all twelve Shropshire Premier Cricket League Clubs, plus those qualifying from 'The Banks Shropshire Cricket League', along with invited clubs, as determined by the League's Knock-out Sub-Committee.
3. **Rules**
 - Law 1
(a) Each player must be a boni-fide member of the club he represents on the date the competition starts (25th May, 2000).
 - (b) A player who is a member of more than one club can play only for one club in the competition.
 - (c) Any team failing to fulfil a fixture at any stage of the competition shall be automatically excluded from the following year's competition and will also be barred from entry in future years. Applications for re-admittance must be made to the League Executive Committee by no later than 1st October in the preceding year.

Law 3

 - (a) Umpires should note that no appeal against the light shall be allowed after the commencement of the second innings unless both captains agree that further play is undesirable.

Law 5

 - (a) A new ball will not be used, but a suitable re-polished or re-varnished ball of sound quality, which is acceptable to both captains, will be used throughout the game.

Law 12

 - (a) Excepting Finals, each side will have one innings consisting of twenty six-ball overs.
 - (b) Provided that both captains agree prior to the commencement of play, the match may be contested over a lesser number of overs in the event of bad weather or a late start.
 - (c) Before the toss for innings, the umpires shall acquaint themselves with the number of overs agreed upon by the two captains.

Law 16

 - (a) The interval between each innings shall be not more than ten minutes.

Law 21

 - (a) A match is won by the side scoring the higher number of runs in the agreed number of overs. In the event of scores being level, the side losing fewer wickets shall be declared the winner. If this is also equal, the side scoring the greater number of runs in the first ten overs (or at the half way point in their innings if different) shall be the winner. If this is also equal, the match is tied and will be replayed on a ground chosen by the visiting team.

Law 22

 - (a) No bowler may bowl more than five overs out of the allotted twenty. If a match of fewer overs is agreed upon, no bowler may bowl more than one quarter of the total.

Law 25

 - (a) In addition to the normal provisions covering 'wide ball', the following criteria should be adopted as a guide to umpires:
 - (i) In Knock-Out fixtures umpires are instructed to apply a strict and consistent interpretation of the law covering "wide ball" in order to prevent negative bowling - especially down the leg side or over the batsman's head, thus making it virtually impossible, in the umpires opinion for the batsman to play a normal 'cricketing stroke'.
 - (ii) If the ball passes over head height of the batsman - standing upright at the crease, the umpire shall call and signal 'wide ball'.

Note: The aforementioned provisions do not apply if the striker makes contact with the ball or if it passes below head height between the striker and the wicket.

Restriction on placement of fielders
At the instant of delivery, a minimum of four fielders (plus bowler and wicket-keeper) must be within an area bounded by two semi-circles, centred on each middle stump, each with a radius of 30 yards and joined by a parallel line on each side of the pitch. In the event of an infringement the square-leg umpire shall call 'no-ball'.

- The fielding circles may be marked by white painted dots at five yard intervals or if possible by white plastic or rubber (not metal) discs measuring approximately seven inches in diameter.
4. **Fixtures**
 - (a) The Shrewsbury Chronicle Knock-out Competition rules shall be forwarded to all participants prior to the start of the season and for the benefit of Shropshire Premier Cricket League Clubs the full draw and dates on which ties are to be played will be published in the League Handbook.
 - (b) The draw will be pre-drawn to the semi-final stage. The ties shall be played on the ground chosen by the side drawn at home however if for any reason other than inclement weather conditions the side drawn at home are unable to host the tie on the Conference Date, the tie will take place on their opponents ground.
 - (c) Each round of the competition will be played on a conference date specified by the Knock-out Sub-Committee and printed in the League Handbook. However, in the event of both teams agreeing, the match may be played on an earlier date than that which is laid down in the Rules providing the Knock-out Competition Sub-Committee is notified at least forty-eight hours prior to any such rearranged match.
 - (d) In the event of inclement weather not allowing the match to be completed on the conference date, a revised date (within fourteen days of the original) must be agreed by both clubs immediately and communicated within 24 hours to a member of the Knockout Sub-Committee by the home club. Failure to agree on a new date will result in the Knock-out Sub-Committee defining a date on which the match shall take place.
 - (e) No match shall be played after the conference date - other than one rearranged under Rule 4(d). If it is found that clubs do arrange a match after the conference date, both clubs will be expelled from the competition.
 - (f) If either club is unable to play on the conference date and are not able to agree an earlier date they shall forfeit the match.
 - (g) Matches shall normally commence not later than 6.15 p.m. on the day arranged. The umpires shall call play not later than 6.45 p.m. and any side refusing to play shall lose the match.
 - (h) Prompt starts are essential and the toss for innings shall take place at least fifteen minutes before the scheduled starting time of 6.15 p.m. In the event of a team not being available to comply, the opposing team may, if it so wishes, exercise the right to claim the toss.
 - (i) The winning clubs - in each round of both competitions - shall notify the Knock-out Organising Sub-Committee of the result within 48 hours of the fixture taking place.
 - (j) After each round of both competitions, the home side are responsible for notifying their opponents and the Knock-out Organising Sub-Committee as soon as possible, in regard to whom they must play in the following stage.
 5. **Finals**
 - (a) The final of the competition shall be played on an afternoon basis on dates to be ratified by the Knock-out Sub-Committee.
 - (b) A neutral ground selected by the Knock-out Sub-Committee shall be used. In the event of no ground being available the two sides will toss a coin to decide on a venue of the winner's choosing.
 - (c) The finals shall be played over two innings each side of twenty overs per innings which shall be taken alternately. No bowler may bowl more than five overs in each innings.
 - (d) In the event of the scores being equal at the end of the match the side losing fewer wickets shall be declared the winner. If this is also equal, the side scoring the greater number of runs in the first twenty overs of their innings shall be the winner. If this is also equal, the final shall be replayed.
 - (e) The Organising Committee will provide two new balls for the final.
 - (f) The members of teams competing in the final will be presented with small trophies as mementoes of the occasion.
 6. **Umpires**

All Shrewsbury Chronicle Knock-out ties shall be taken charge of by umpires appointed by the Shropshire Association of Cricket Umpires and Scorers.

SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE CUP KNOCKOUT COMPETITION 2000

1st Round - To be played on Thursday, 25th May (6.15 p.m.)
2nd Round - To be played on Thursday 15th June (6.15 p.m.)

A	Newport v Albrighton	
B	Shrewsbury v Wellington	
C	Bridgnorth v Shifnal	A v B
D	Montgomery v Ludlow	C v D
E	Wem v Oswestry	E v F
F	Perkins v Whittington	G v H
G	Whitchurch v Wroxeter	
H	Broseley v St. Georges	

Semi Finals - (To be drawn on the completion of the first two rounds)
- to be played on Thursday, 6th July at 6.15 p.m.

**Final - Sunday, 3rd September at Shrewsbury C.C.,
12.30 p.m. start. To be played on the basis of two innings
per side, each of twenty overs duration.**

In each of the first two rounds the winning side **must** notify the competition
organiser within 48 hours of the completion of the tie.

Competition Organiser: Clive Smith Tel: 01743 355383



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1999 SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE CUP LEAGUE KNOCKOUT FINAL

Sunday, 29th August at Whitchurch C.C. Wellington won by 36 runs.

First Innings

Wellington 125-6 (A Byram 32, I. Roberts 27 n.o., G. Johnson 25,
P. Massey 2-11)

Wroxeter 117-5 (R. Burton 31, E. Home 26, W. O. Davies 22,
G. Byram 3-32)

Second Innings

Wellington 136-7 (G. Byram 38 n.o., C. Martin 32, N. Slade 2-19)

Wroxeter 92-9 (R. Burton 30, G. Byram 3-12)

Man of the Match: Gavin Byram (Wellington)

Losing semi-finalists: Ludlow & St. Georges

PREVIOUS YEARS' FINALISTS LEAGUE KNOCKOUT

	Winners	Runners up
1970	Rolls Royce	Newport
1971	Newport/Fenns Bank (TIE)	
1972	St. Georges	Bridgnorth
1973	Newport	St. Georges
1974	Rolls Royce	Wellington
1975	Shrewsbury	Shifnal
1976	St. Georges	Shrewsbury
1977	Shrewsbury	Ludlow
1978	Shrewsbury	Newport
1979	Shrewsbury	Whitchurch
1980	Wroxeter	St. Georges
1981	Shrewsbury	Wroxeter
1982	Shrewsbury	Wroxeter
1983	Shrewsbury	Whitchurch
1984	Shrewsbury	Newport
1985	Wroxeter	Newport
1986	Wroxeter	Shrewsbury
1987	Wellington	Whitchurch
1988	Shrewsbury	Newport
1989	Newport	Oswestry
1990	Newport	Oswestry
1991	Wem	Wellington
1992	Wellington	Shrewsbury
1993	Shrewsbury	Whitchurch
1994	Perkins	Wellington
1995	Wellington	Bridgnorth
1996	Shrewsbury	St. Georges
1997	Wroxeter	Perkins
1998	Ludlow	St. Georges
1999	Wellington	Wroxeter

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Secretary	D. BENSON	01902 374826
Treasurer	S. AUCOTT	01902 373216
Exec. Committee Rep.	B. COURTEN	01902 715885
First XI Captain	G. HUGHES	01952 463814
Second XI Captain	D. CONNACHER	01902 842267
Ground		01902 373221
Bridgnorth C.C.		
Chairman	S. CAINE	01746 769545
Secretary/Treasurer	K. ROBBINS	01746 764145
Exec. Committee Rep.	J. GOLIGHTLY	01952 884152
First XI Captain	M. TURNER	01746 765537
Second XI Captain	S. PUGH	01952 463121
Ground		01746 764919
Broseley C.C.		
Chairman	P. FOSTER	01952 883660
Secretary	MRS. M. POTTS	01952 882209
Treasurer	D. HARRIS	01952 882578
Exec. Committee Rep.	J. R. LLOYD	01952 882983
First XI Captain	N. ARCHIBALD	01952 407090
Second XI Captain	S. WALL	01952 412222
Ground		01952 882877
Ludlow & South Shropshire C.C.		
Chairman	J. HERN	01584 874852
Secretary	S. HOOD	01568 780780
Treasurer	D. BOTTOMS	01584 831125
Exec. Committee Rep.	J. HERN	01584 874852
First XI Captain	R. JOHNSTON	01544 230830
Second XI Captain	N. MEREDITH	01952 275310
Ground		01584 873244

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Secretary	S. SCOTT	01952 811127
Treasurer	C. WRIGHT	01952 401944
Exec. Committee Rep.	G. DAVIS	01952 274973
First XI Captain	D. HAMPTON	01952 820242
Second XI Captain	R. BUTLER	01952 810238
Ground		01952 810403
Oswestry C.C.		
Chairman	A. CLARKE	01691 659340
Secretary	M. ASTLEY	01691 772875
Treasurer	A. LEGGATT	01691 661244
Exec. Committee Rep.	J. HULME	01691 772400
First XI Captain	S. NICHOLSON	01691 670775
Second XI Captain	J. HULME	01691 772400
Ground		01691 653006
Perkins C.C.		
Chairman	A. KYNASTON	01743 355889
Secretary/Treasurer	D. WOOLASTON	01743 444781
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Second XI Captain	D. HOUGH	
Ground	SOCIAL CLUB	01743 352135
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First XI Captain	A. SHIMMONS	M:07780 692652
Second XI Captain	A. SHELLEY	01952 461251
Ground		01952 462033

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Second XI Captain	H. BANKS	01743 242981
Ground		01743 363655
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Chairman	P. F. MICHAEL	01743 365040
Secretary	J. W. J. LEWIS	01939 235476
Treasurer	M. J. SHEEHY	01743 361651
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First XI Captain	P. BROOK	01939 235390
Second XI Captain	D. TAYLOR	01939 251489
Ground		01939 234680
Whitchurch C.C.		
Chairman	P. WODJA	01948 662179
Secretary	MRS. J. KNOTT	01948 840968
Treasurer	D. PEARCE	01948 662439
Exec. Committee Rep.	D. PEARCE	01948 662439
First XI Captain	S. BOWEN	01948 710532
Second XI Captain	G. KNOTT	01948 840968
Ground		01948 663923
Wroxeter & Uppington C.C.		
Chairman	T. FERN	01938 552944
Secretary	D. BREARLEY	01743 352960
Treasurer	D. BLOFIELD	01743 357820
Exec. Committee Rep.	D. BREARLEY	01743 352960
First XI Captain	D. BOWETT	01743 231591
Second XI Captain	C. HARTLEY	01743 271481
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1999 LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES

**LEAGUE CRICKET CONFERENCE
PRESIDENT'S TROPHY KNOCKOUT COMPETITION**

1st Round. Sunday, 13th June at Whittington C.C. Won by 9 wickets.
(Replayed game - original game at Shifnal C.C. abandoned due to rain)

Bank's Shropshire League 115 (L. Mason 3-12, B. Platt 3-24)

F.S.P.C.L. 117-1 (J. Strydom 53 n.o., A. Breakwell 45 n.o.)

2nd Round. Sunday, 14th July at Corsham C.C. Lost by 38 runs

County Alliance (Bristol) 243-6 (D. Hampton 3-41)

F.S.P.C.L. 205-9 (D. Hampton 34, L. Mason 24 n.o., W. O. Davies 21
P. Furniss 21)

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