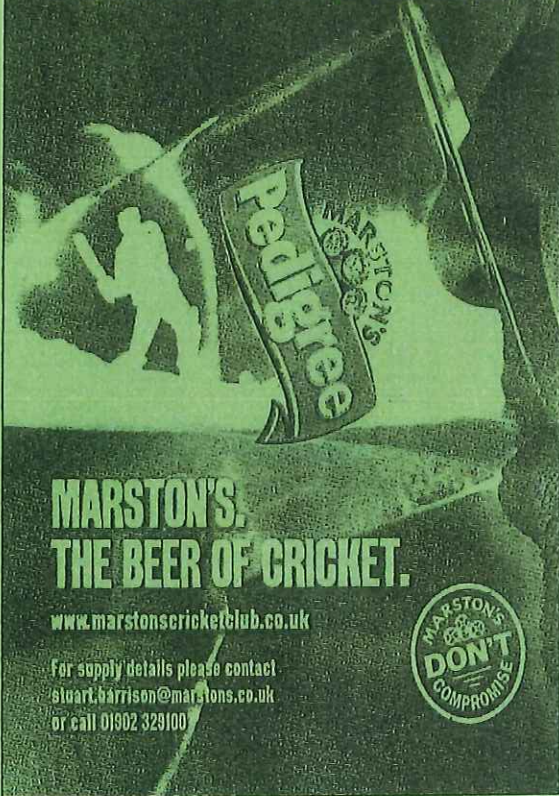


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FOREWORD

The circumstances surrounding my taking over as chairman of the Marston's Shropshire Premier Cricket League couldn't have been more tragic. The untimely death of John Lloyd less than a year into his term of office came as a shock to us all.

John was a great man and will obviously be sorely missed by everyone connected with the league. I thank the League Executive Committee for voting me in as his successor; I can only hope I can prove fit to follow in his footsteps.

The new sponsorship agreement with Marston's heralds an exciting era for the league. Already the member clubs have felt the benefit of the deal, with £200 being put towards the cost of each team's cricket balls for the season.

Marston's are really enthusiastic about their backing for the league, and I would like to think all our clubs will do everything they can to promote and publicise them. It would be great if we could mark the first year of the sponsorship by reaching the final of the Cedric Rhoades Trophy again.

The league representative side did an excellent job under Mal Serplet's captaincy last year, before losing to a strong Derbyshire League side at the last hurdle. A big thank-you to the 12 players who got up in the early hours of the morning to travel to Gateshead for the semi-final, and who were therefore selected for the final.

I would like to congratulate my own club Oswestry on winning Division One last year, and gaining promotion to the Birmingham League. Obviously I hope we can stay at that level for many years to come, but I know we would be warmly welcomed back to this league should the worst happen.

Congratulations, too, to Madeley for winning the Second XI title. Wem's stay in the Birmingham League lasted just the one season, although it was by only the narrowest of margins that they failed to avoid relegation.

They will obviously be one of the favourites to lift the title this year, but I feel there are four or five clubs with a realistic chance of claiming the championship. It should be an exciting season.

Congratulations too, must go to Much Wenlock, the champions of the Rollinson Smith Shropshire League. They are having to work hard to bring their facilities up to our standards, but they are an enthusiastic club and I have no doubt they will be an excellent addition to our league.

While on the subject of standards, it has always seemed an anomaly to me that new clubs have to reach certain criteria to be accepted into the league, while those clubs already there never have to worry about such matters. To this end, I would like to see an annual inspection of all member clubs' facilities, in an attempt to make sure standards don't drop, and this is something that I will actively strive to achieve during my tenure.

Of continual concern to the league is the shortage of umpires. I know Mike Sheehy was worried earlier in the year that he might not be able to provide two umpires for every First XI fixture, which is a very unsatisfactory state of affairs.

This is a matter that only the member clubs themselves can address. We must try to persuade more former players to don the white coat. Finally, I would like to wish every club the best of luck for the coming season. You can't all win the league, but you CAN all enjoy yourselves along the way.

Mike Robinson
Chairman

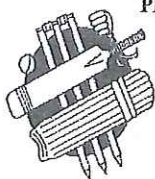
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THE Pedigree SHROPSHIRE PREMIER CRICKET LEAGUE CONSTITUTION 2008

1. **TITLE:**
The title shall be 'The Marston's 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 normally consist of 12 member clubs, each with two elevens, but in respect that this League is now an integral part of 'the Birmingham and District League' pyramid system, the numerical situation may be subject to change, as decreed by this Leagues Executive Committee.
 - b) This League shall normally consist of two divisions, namely 'Division One' and 'The Reserve Division'.
 - 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, via the promotion system, must comply with the document, governing 'The Ground and Facility Criteria', as agreed upon in 2002, by 'The Shropshire Cricket Board', 'The Marston's Shropshire Premier Cricket League' and 'The Shropshire Cricket League'.
 - 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.

h. The Pyramid System

i) At the conclusion of each season, this League Division One Champions, will be afforded the opportunity, if they so wish, of being promoted to The Birmingham Premier League, which will automatically include their respective second elevens.

Also at the conclusion of each season, the bottom placed club, in this Leagues Division One, shall be subject to relegation, along with their respective second eleven, to The Shropshire Cricket League.

NOTE: The latter situation will only apply, in the event, of one of this leagues former member clubs, returning to this league, via the relegation system.

ii) At the conclusion of each season, The Shropshire Cricket League's Division One Champions, along with their respective second elevens, shall be afforded the opportunity of being promoted to The Marston's Shropshire Premier Cricket League. With the proviso, that such a clubs facilities comply with the Documents, Governing The Ground and Facility Criteria, as stated in membership 3.e).

iii) The facilities of clubs desiring to attain membership of this League, via the promotion system, from The Shropshire Cricket League, shall be inspected by a sub-committee, set-up by The Shropshire Cricket Board, who under the guidance of the aforementioned Document, Governing The Ground and Facility Criteria, will determine the suitability or otherwise, of such clubs, aspiring to become members of The Marston's Shropshire Premier Cricket League.

iv) All applicant clubs failing to comply with The Ground and Facility Criteria requirements, at the time of inspection by The Shropshire Cricket Board; Ground Sub-committee, must give written notice to the respective secretaries of The Shropshire Cricket Board, The Shropshire Cricket League and the Marston's Shropshire Premier Cricket League, by no later than 1st October of each year, that all or any outstanding works and/or requirements, as identified by the said Grounds Sub-Committee, will be completed

and/or fulfilled, by no later than 1st March, the following year.

v) Any such club, which has been provisionally accepted for promotion to The Marston's Shropshire Premier Cricket League, but fails to complete the said work and/or fulfil the said requirements by March 1st, of the following year, shall not be eligible for promotion relative to the forthcoming season, and its application for promotion will be deemed rejected.

vi) In the event of the League Division One Champions, for one reason or another, declining the opportunity of promotion, they may remain in this League, with the proviso, that they make their intentions known, no later than the same years A.G.M., in such circumstances, and providing that no club is relegated from "The Birmingham League", the bottom placed Division One Club, would not be relegated.

vii) Former member clubs participating in The Birmingham Premier League - Should any of this Leagues former member clubs, apply to return to this League, other than via the relegation system, their application will be accepted, with the proviso, that any such application, is put in writing to this Leagues Secretary, no later than October 1st, in any such year, should this be the case, a former member club, would become an active member of this League, the following year.

NOTES:

A. Relative to 6/7 of the Pyramid System, as aforementioned, should either of these circumstances arise in the same year, that none of the Leagues former clubs are relegated back to this League, the bottom placed club, will not be relegated.

B. Also relative to 6/7 of this Pyramid System, should either, or one of these circumstances arise in the same year, that sees one of this leagues former clubs relegated back to this League, via the relegation system, the bottom placed club shall be relegated.

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 SCB Association of Cricket Officials.
- b) Any officer named in 4(a) above and delegate nominated by the SCB of Cricket Officials shall declare his interest in any Member Club,
- c) Not more than one representative from anyone 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 of the League.

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 they have 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 vote on his Club's 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.

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 31st October, 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) Team Cups and shields respectively, together with individual trophies will be awarded at the end of each season to the champions and runners-up in both Divisions.
- b) In addition there shall be awards for Young Player of the Year, the English qualified batsman and English qualified bowler who have scored the most league runs and the bowler who has taken most league wickets during the season. A fair play team award shall be made at the end of the Season, this award will be adjudicated on by members of the League Umpires Panel.
- c) A fair play team award shall be made at the end of each season and will be awarded following adjudication by member club delegates to the Executive Committee upon the instructions of their clubs.
- d) 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 Marston's 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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THE SHROPSHIRE PREMIER CRICKET LEAGUE



CODE OF CONDUCT

1. The Code of Conduct defines the standards required of clubs, players and officials. It is deemed to clubs and provisions of "The Preamble – The Spirit of the Game".
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. Any appeal must be made no later than seven days after notification of the decision of the Protest/Disciplinary Committee has been received.
8. The decision of the Appeals Committee is binding on all parties and is not subject to any further right of appeal.
9. The League Executive Committee shall be empowered to take action against any club or individual member of a club, who make derogatory or disparaging media statements or comments regarding match officials.

If a case is found to be proved, clubs and/or individuals will be found guilty of bringing the game into disrepute, and will be liable to points deductions, and or suspension, and or a financial penalty.

The penalty for clubs will include a deduction of up to a maximum of 50 league points, on each and every occasion, which may be suspended for twelve months from the date of the incident, at the discretion of the protest/disciplinary committee. A repeat occurrence would invoke the suspension.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

1. The umpire's 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).
8. Should a player be deemed by the umpires to be not complying with "the spirit of the game", to such an extent of bringing the game into disrepute, the umpires shall inform the player concerned, and the captain, at the time of the incident, that he will be reported to the Chairman of the League Disciplinary Committee, within four days of such an incident taking place. Should a player be reported twice, in this way, during the season, he will receive an automatic one match ban.
A player reported, relative to the aforementioned, shall have the right of appeal, providing he or his club, put any such appeal in writing, to the Chairman of the League Disciplinary Committee, within four days of his being reported.
In any such instances, the Disciplinary Committees decision shall be final and binding.

KNOCKOUT 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 2008, 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 League Secretary before the commencement of the playing season. Failure to comply with this requirement, will result in no points being achieved for the period of time until such a list is received by the League Secretary. No permission will be granted to register players after 18th July 2008. 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.

(iii) Only one overseas player, not qualifying under the following shall be allowed to play for a Member Club in any League or Chronicle Cup 20/20 KO Competition game at anyone 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 ECB regulations, conform with the three aforementioned criteria, he will be considered a 'bona-fide' Club Member.

Clubs must ensure that the requisite form concerning their overseas player, if any, is fully completed and returned to the League Secretary prior to the start of the season.

(4) ECB DIRECTIVES

Under 21 Players

All first XI's must include at least one player in their side, under the age of twenty one on 1st September of the previous year. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in the matter being referred to the League Management Committee for adjudication. Note: all players under twenty one, must be marked as such on the League Result Sheet.

Under 13 Players

Any player in the Under 13 age group and younger must have explicit written consent from a parent or guardian and from the League Management Committee before participating in adult matches. Clubs must ensure that

their player registration procedures clearly demonstrate that consent is obtained. The guidance related to changing and showering (see 'Safe Hands' - Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Young People) must be adhered to.

(4) OVERSEAS PLAYERS

A club if they so desire, may register more than one overseas player per season, on the understanding that only one player relative to this category may play in a division one or reserve division match, at any one time the same applies to the Shrewsbury Chronicle Knock-Out Trophy Competition.

(5) OVERSEAS PLAYERS - HOLDING U K PASSPORTS

In line with the league cricket conference regulations, with which this league is compliant, a player residing Overseas and holding a UK passport, who visits the UK to play cricket during our playing season, will still be regarded an Overseas player, unless under such circumstances, he obtains clearance, in writing from the League Cricket Conference, that he is qualified to play league cricket in the UK, and not be deemed an Overseas player.

3. RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF ALL MATCHES

(a) In all matches – each captain will nominate his players on the team sheet card provided, denoting the overseas player, if any, and all players under the age of nineteen, with their date of birth, the team sheet card must be handed to the umpires before the toss is made.

(b) All matches in both divisions, shall be played in accordance with the laws of cricket (2003 code), and subject to points hereafter 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.

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 up right at the crease, the umpire shall call and signal 'no-ball'.

(c) 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, April 26th through to Saturday August 30th shall commence at 1.00 pm. All matches inclusive of Saturday September 6th through to Saturday September 20th shall commence at 12.30 pm.

(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 with out 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 in normal circumstances an interval for tea between innings, such an interval may be reduced, with the agreement of both captains and umpire.

(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 30 minutes, for tea, 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 only if in their opinion, and the opinion of the umpires 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 Saturday April 26th to Saturday August 30th shall start after 4.00 pm. No matches inclusive of Saturday September 6th to Saturday to Saturday September 20th shall start after 3.30 pm.

5. INTERRUPTION OF PLAY / DELAYED START 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 1.00 pm, play shall cease at 7.30 pm, 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 pm.
 - (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 12.30 pm play shall cease at 7.00 pm, 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 6.00 pm.

Interruption of Play in the Last Hour

- (iii) If an interruption of play occurs during the final 20 overs relative to A(i), and A(ii), the number of overs shall be reduced by one for every full three minutes lost, and if the reduced number of overs are completed in matches, commencing at 1.00 pm before 7.30 p.m., and unless the number of overs constitute the completion of that particular match play will continue until 7.30 pm, 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 12.30 pm with the cessation time being 7.00 pm.
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.
- e. In the event of a delayed start due to inclement weather/ground conditions, where captains cannot agree on the start time/number of overs to constitute a match, the match umpires will determine the fitness or otherwise, of the conditions and the number of overs to be bowled in accordance with the following table, taking into account the 20 over regulation in respect of the final hour of play:

12.30 p.m. STARTING TIME

1.00 p.m. – 92 overs, 1.30 p.m. – 84 overs, 2.00 p.m. – 76 overs
2.30 p.m. – 68 overs, 3.00 p.m. – 60 overs, 3.30 p.m. – 50 overs

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6. ALLOCATION OF POINTS

Maximum points available in a single game - 20

WIN	20 pt's
WINNING DRAW	8 pt's + bonus points
LOSING DRAW	4 pt's + bonus points
TIE	6 pt's + bonus points
LOSS	Bonus points only
ABANDONED GAME	5 points to each side, plus bonus points

BONUS POINTS

a) Batting: 125 Runs - 1 point, 150 runs - 2 points, 175 runs - 3 points, 200 runs - 4 points, 225 runs - 5 points.

b) Bowling: 2 wickets - 1 point, 4 wickets - 2 points, 6 wickets - 3 points, 8 wickets - 4 points, 10 wickets - 5 points.

c) Scorers: In Division One matches only - sides will gain one bonus point in each match, if they provide an official scorer (not a player), throughout the duration of the match.

NOTE: This bonus point will only be awarded in matches where at least 20 overs have been bowled, unless one team has been dismissed.

NOTE: The four points for a losing draw shall only be awarded if the side batting second scores 75% of the total scored by the side batting first, failure to reach this figure will result in the award of bonus points only.

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 umpires not to having been the fault of the fielding side. 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

(a) 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-bail'.

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.

(b) Fielding Regulations

For reference, the ECB Fielding Regulations are as follows:

No young player in the Under 15 age group or younger shall be allowed to field closer than 8 yards (7.3 metres) from the middle stump, except behind the wicket on the off side, until the batsman has played at the ball.

For players in the Under 13 age group and below the distance is 11 yards (10 metres).

These minimum distances apply even if the player is wearing a helmet.

Should a young player in these age groups come within the restricted distance the umpire must stop the game immediately and instruct the fielder to move back.

IN ADDITION ANY YOUNG PLAYER IN THE Under 16 to Under 18 age groups, who has not reached the age of 18, must wear a helmet and, for boys, an abdominal protector (box) when fielding within 6 yards (5.5 metres) of the bat, except behind the wicket on the off side. Players should wear appropriate protective equipment whenever they are fielding in a position where they feel at risk.

These fielding regulations are applicable to all cricket in England and Wales.

9. THE BALL

Two new balls purchased through the League shall be used or division one and reserve division games. The match ball must be handed to either umpire at the fall of each wicket.

10. 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 and post to the league Fixture Secretary

d.The SCB Association of Cricket Officials will be responsible for appointing umpires to all Division One and Shrewsbury Chronicle Cup 20/20 Knockout fixtures.

e.Umpires will receive an expense allowance of 80% of the Birmingham & District Premier Cricket League amount. For the 2008 season this will be £28 per umpire per match. Clubs must pay the umpires allowance before the commencement of the match, and must be paid even when no pay is possible.

f. In the event of an Umpire, standing alone, in Division One matches. He shall receive one and a half of the normal match expenses fee.

g. Whenever possible, in Division One matches, a separate table shall be made available, relative to the tea interval, for Umpires and Scorers.

11. PREPARATION OF PITCHES

a. Preparation of pitches must be in accordance with the MCC 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 protected area relative to the bowler'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

The incoming batsman must pass the outgoing batsman, 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 both the visiting club and the match umpires of this fact. Failure to follow this procedure will result in umpires' expenses being charged if they attend after a match has been called off.

Inspection should be carried out on the day of the match - NOT before, 10.00 am in matches commencing at 1.00 pm and NOT before, 9.30 am in matches commencing at 12.30 pm. Opponents have the option to travel.

14. NOTIFICATION OF RESULTS (IMPORTANT)

a. Division One Matches

It shall be the responsibility of the Match Umpires, in Division One matches, to telephone the scores of matches, along with the relevant details, as soon as possible on Saturday evenings, to the Results Co-ordinator - Mike Robinson on 01691 662159, an answering service will be available to receive your call. Should there be a problem with getting through to Mike, on the aforementioned number, please contact him on his mobile 07971 559657.

Division One Result Sheets, must be signed by both captains and match officials at the end of matches and handed to the Match Umpires, who will then forward them to the Results Secretary (Craig Simms).

b. Reserve Division

It shall be the responsibility of the home club to telephone the Results Co-ordinator - Mike Robinson as soon as possible on Saturday evenings, informing him of the results and details of Reserve Division matches played on the same day. Mike's contact telephone number is 01691 662159, mobile 07971 559657.

Also in respect of Reserve Division matches, it is the Home Club's responsibility, to include full details of matches played, abandoned or postponed on the score sheet issued by the league, and signed by both Captains and Umpires, this score sheet must reach the Results Secretary - Craig Simms, 37 Wellsfield, Woodside, Telford, Shropshire, TF7 5LZ, and received by him no later than the Friday following the completion of league matches, failure to comply with any of the aforementioned, will result in a fine of £10.00, on each occasion they fail to comply.

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.

c. All home clubs (first and second XI's), shall enter a full score card on their Play Cricket web site within 48 hours of the completion of the game.

15. LIMITATION OF OVERS BOWLED BY A BOWLER IN LEAGUE MATCHES

No Bowler may bowl more than a third of the overs, in any one innings, relative to the agreed duration of the match, prior to the toss taking place.

The one exception to the aforementioned being, that in the event of the second innings being curtailed, due to the loss of 30 minutes or more in play, due to inclement weather conditions, so reducing the number of overs the side batting second may receive, in such circumstances, a bowler may bowl more than a third of the overs, providing he does not bowl more than the allotted ratio agreed prior to the toss.

16. COVERING/PREPARATION OF PITCHES

Each Club shall provide leak proof covers, of sufficient area, as to cover the entire pitch, which should be covered from the Thursday evening, prior to League Matches getting underway, for not necessarily the time span aforementioned, as the covers may be removed for drying purposes during this period, at the discretion of the Groundsman.

Note: Pitches should be marked and denoted, as shown in the diagram on page 39 published in the handbook, with Home Clubs being responsible for setting up, both sets of wickets, before the start of the match.

The Home Club shall also be responsible, if so required, for the sweeping and re-marking of creases, plus the use of the roller, between innings, if requested to do so, re., the aforementioned, the match will not restart, until this work has been completed.

17. RESERVE DIVISION - UMPIRES

Clubs failing to provide an Official Umpire, on more than six occasions during the Season, shall be fined 2 points, each time the default, over and above the aforementioned six matches, provision to record this, will appear on the back of the Official Result Sheet.

18. CLOCK

a. All Member Clubs are expected to have a working clock on their ground, sufficient in size, to be readily visible by players and umpires, during the course of League matches.

b. In the event of an Umpire standing alone in a Division One match, he shall receive one and a half of the normal match expenses fee.

c. Whenever possible, in Division One matches, a separate table shall be made available for the use of the Umpires and Scorers during the tea interval.

19. LEAGUE POSITIONAL PLACINGS

In the event of two or more teams having acquired the same number of points return in the league table, the following factors shall be used to determine their final place in the league 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.

20. 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 played. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the loss of points.

21. SIGHTSCREENS

Sight screens shall be operational in all league matches and will be moved by the batting side to accommodate left and right handed batsman batting together.

22. SCORERS

Division One Clubs are reminded that they are responsible for providing a competent non-playing scorer in all Division One fixtures. Two people must be in the score box 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 score box.

23. 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 of the preceding year.

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.

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 Boards) 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.

24. PROTECTIVE HELMETS

All batsmen, close fielders and wicket keepers standing up to the stumps, under the age of 18 on the last day of August, in the year preceding in the current season, must wear protective helmets. The Shropshire Cricket Board have directed that parental consent forms, will not override this requirement.

These rules are binding on all players and clubs in the League and the Executive Committee, relative to the respective Sub-Committee may take action against defaulting clubs or players.



THE LAWS OF CRICKET

THE PREAMBLE – THE SPIRIT OF CRICKET

Cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact that it should be played not only within its Laws but also within the Spirit of the Game. Any action which is seen to abuse this spirit causes injury to the game itself. The major responsibility for ensuring the spirit of fair play rests with the Captains.

1. There are two Laws which place the responsibility for the team's conduct firmly on the Captain.

Responsibility of Captains

The Captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of the Game as well as within the Laws.

Players conduct

In the event of a player failing to comply with instructions by an Umpire, or criticising by word or action the decisions of an Umpire, or showing dissent, or generally behaving in a manner which might bring the Game into disrepute, the Umpire concerned shall in the first place report the matter to the other Umpire and to the players Captain, and instruct the Captain to take action.

2. Fair and unfair play

According to the Laws the Umpires are the sole judges of Fair and Unfair play. The Umpires may intervene at any time and it is the responsibility of the Captain to take action where required.

3. The Umpires are authorised to intervene in cases of:

- * Time wasting
- * Damaging the pitch
- * Dangerous or Unfair bowling
- * Tampering with the ball
- * Any other action that they consider to be unfair

4. The Spirit of the Game involves RESPECT for:

- * Your opponents
- * Your own Captain and team
- * The role of the Umpire
- * The games traditional values

5. It is against the Spirit of the Game:

- * To dispute an Umpires decision by word, action or gesture
- * To direct abusive language towards an opponent or Umpire
- * To indulge in cheating or any "sharp practice", for instance:
 - (a) to appeal knowing the batsman is not out
 - (b) to advance towards an Umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing
 - (c) to seek to distract an opponent either verbally or by harassment with persistent clapping or unnecessary noise under the guise of enthusiasm and motivation of one's own side

6. Violence

There is no place for any act of violence on the field of play

7. Players

Captains and Umpires together set the tone for the conduct of a cricket match. Every player is expected to make an important contribution to this.

IMPORTANT DON'T FORGET

Results of all games
must be registered with
Results co-ordinator,
Mike Robinson
within 24 hours of the
game ending.

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MARSTON'S SHROPSHIRE PREMIER CRICKET LEAGUE



FIXTURES 2008

26 April—Week 1—start 1.00 pm	31 May—Week 6—start 1.00 pm
Albrighton v Quatt	Bomere Heath v Quatt
Broseley v Bomere Heath	Broseley v Madeley
Madeley v Ludlow	Much Wenlock v Albrighton
Much Wenlock v Wern	Newtown v Ludlow
Shelton v Newtown	Wern v Reman Services
Welshpool v Reman Services	Welshpool v Shelton
03 May—Week 2—start 1.00 pm	07 June—Week 7—start 1.00 pm
Bomere Heath v Shelton	Albrighton v Broseley
Ludlow v Albrighton	Ludlow v Bomere Heath
Newtown v Madeley	Madeley v Shelton
Quatt v Reman Services	Newtown v Welshpool
Welshpool v Much Wenlock	Reman Services v Much Wenlock
Wern v Broseley	Quatt v Wern
10 May—Week 3—start 1.00 pm	14 June—Week 8—start 1.00 pm
Albrighton v Newtown	Bomere Heath v Newtown
Broseley v Much Wenlock	Broseley v Reman Services
Madeley v Bomere Heath	Much Wenlock v Quatt
Reman Services v Ludlow	Wern v Ludlow
Quatt v Welshpool	Shelton v Albrighton
Shelton v Wern	Welshpool v Madeley
	End of 1st over assessment period
17 May—Week 4 - start 1.00 pm	21 June—Week 9—start 1.00 pm
Bomere Heath v Albrighton	Albrighton v Madeley
Ludlow v Quatt	Bomere Heath v Welshpool
Much Wenlock v Shelton	Ludlow v Much Wenlock
Newtown v Reman Services	Newtown v Wern
Welshpool v Broseley	Reman Services v Shelton
Wern v Madeley	Quatt v Broseley
24 May—Week 5—start 1.00 pm	28 June—Week 10—start 1.00pm
Albrighton v Wern	Broseley v Ludlow
Ludlow v Welshpool	Madeley v Reman Services
Madeley v Much Wenlock	Much Wenlock v Newtown
Reman Services v Bomere Heath	Wern v Bomere Heath
Quatt v Newtown	Shelton v Quatt
Shelton v Broseley	Welshpool v Albrighton



**MARSTON'S SHROPSHIRE PREMIER
CRICKET LEAGUE**

FIXTURES 2008

05 July—Week 11—start 1.00 pm	09 August—Week 16—start 1.00 pm
Albrighton v Reman Services	Bomere Heath v Reman Services
Bomere Heath v Much Wenlock	Broseley v Shelton
Ludlow v Shelton	Much Wenlock v Madeley
Newtown v Broseley	Newtown v Quatt
Quatt v Madeley	Wem v Albrighton
Welshpool v Wem	Welshpool v Ludlow
12 July—Week 12—start 1.00 pm	16 August—Week 17—start 1.00 pm
Bomere Heath v Broseley	Albrighton v Much Wenlock
Ludlow v Madeley	Ludlow v Newtown
Newtown v Shelton	Madeley v Broseley
Wem v Much Wenlock	Reman Services v Wem
Reman Services v Welshpool	Quatt v Bomere Heath
Quatt v Albrighton	Shelton v Welshpool
19 July—Week 13—start 1.00 pm	23 August—Week 18—start 1.00pm
Albrighton v Ludlow	Bomere Heath v Ludlow
Broseley v Wem	Broseley v Albrighton
Madeley v Newtown	Much Wenlock v Reman Services
Much Wenlock v Welshpool	Wem v Quatt
Reman Services v Quatt	Shelton v Madeley
Shelton v Bomere Heath	Welshpool v Newtown
26 July—Week 14—start 1.00 pm	30 September—Week 19—start 1.00 pm
Bomere Heath v Madeley	Albrighton v Shelton
Ludlow v Reman Services	Ludlow v Wem
Much Wenlock v Broseley	Madeley v Welshpool
Newtown v Albrighton	Newtown v Bomere Heath
Wem v Shelton	Reman Services v Broseley
Welshpool v Quatt	Quatt v Much Wenlock
02 August—Week 15—start 1:00pm	06 September—Week 20—start 12:30pm
Albrighton v Bomere Heath	Broseley v Quatt
Broseley v Welshpool	Madeley v Albrighton
Madeley v Wem	Much Wenlock v Ludlow
Reman Services v Newtown	Wem v Newtown
Quatt v Ludlow	Shelton v Reman Services
Shelton v Much Wenlock	Welshpool v Bomere Heath

End of 2nd over assessment period

**MARSTON'S SHROPSHIRE PREMIER
CRICKET LEAGUE**



FIXTURES 2008

13 September—Week 21—12.30 pm start	20 September—Week 22—12.30 pm start
Albrighton v Welshpool	Broseley v Newtown
Bomere Heath v Wem	Madeley v Quatt
Ludlow v Broseley	Much Wenlock v Bomere Heath
Newtown v Much Wenlock	Wem v Welshpool
Reman Services v Madeley	Reman Services v Albrighton
Quatt v Shelton	Shelton v Ludlow

Reserve Division Fixtures—2nd XI's
are the reverse of the 1st XI fixtures



2007 HONOURS

DIVISION ONE

Champions: Oswestry
Runners Up: Reman Services

RESERVE DIVISION

Champions: Madeley
Runners up: Albrighton

FAIR PLAY AWARD - Newtown

SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE CUP KNOCKOUT COMPETITION

Winners: Shifnal
Runners Up: Wellington
Man of the Match: Jono Whitney (Shifnal)

2007 INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

MOST LEAGUE RUNS - DURING SEASON (DIVISION 1)

Warrick Fynn (Oswestry) - 840 Runs

MOST LEAGUE WICKETS - DURING SEASON (DIVISION 1)

Dinesh De Silva (Madeley) - 43 Wickets

BBC RADIO SHROPSHIRE - YOUNG PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Steve Faux (Madeley)

**PROACTIVE PERSONNEL
Monthly Awards 2007**

May	- Craig Davies (Newtown)
June	- Gavin Jones (Broseley)
July	- Ian Firmstone (Broseley)
August	- Greg Jones (Welshpool)
September	- Adrian Evans (Quatt)

PREVIOUS YEARS' DIVISIONAL WINNERS / RUNNERS UP

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

PREVIOUS YEARS' DIVISIONAL WINNERS / RUNNERS UP (Cont.)

DIVISION ONE.			RESERVE DIVISION ONE.		
	Winners	Runners up		Winners	Runners up
1997	Ludlow	Wroxeter	1997	Oswestry	Bridgnorth
1998	Wellington	Newport	1998	Bridgnorth	Wroxeter
1999	St. Georges	Shifnal	1999	Shifnal	Oswestry
2000	Shrewsbury	Shifnal	2000	Shrewsbury	Bridgnorth
2001	Wroxeter	Newport	2001	Ludlow	Wroxeter
2002	Bridgnorth	Whitchurch	2002	Whitchurch	St. Georges
2003	St. Georges	Whitchurch	2003	St. Georges	Madeley
2004	Whitchurch	Oswestry	2004	Whitchurch	Oswestry
2005	Newport	Oswestry	2005	Oswestry	Newport
2006	Wem	Ludlow	2006	Wem	Oswestry
2007	Oswestry	Reman Services	2007	Madeley	Albrighton



**Proactive Personnel Shropshire Premier Cricket League
Division One - Statistics 2007**

Final League Table

	P	W	L	BP	A	P
Oswestry	22	11	2	54	3	353
Reman Services	22	9	3	47	5	304
Quatt	22	9	3	42	7	292
Newtown	22	9	4	40	5	288
Albrighton	22	7	6	56	5	260
Ludlow	22	5	6	71	5	242
Madeley	22	6	8	46	6	213
Bomere Heath	22	5	4	43	9	213
Broseley	22	5	7	48	8	208
Shelton	22	3	6	68	6	205
Welshpool	22	3	8	47	7	178
Market Drayton	22	0	14	47	6	99

Highs and Lows 2007

Highest total by a team - 326 - 4 - Quatt v Market Drayton - 19th July
 Lowest total by a team - 44 - Ludlow v Reman Services - 26th July

Batsmen Scoring Centuries - Division One

150*	W. Fynn	Oswestry v Market Drayton	14 July
150	R. Hodgson	Ludlow v Albrighton	5 May
134	A.T. Evans	Quatt v Market Drayton	1 Sept
131	G. Jones	Broseley v Albrighton	9 June
118	W. Fynn	Oswestry v Broseley	5 May
118	I. Gillespie	Bomere Heath v Albrighton	4 Aug
117	I. Phelps	Quatt v Market Drayton	2 Sept
115	M. Serplet	Reman Services v Market Drayton	9 June
114*	W. Fynn	Oswestry v Ludlow	2 Sept
108	S. Cowie	Albrighton v Bomere Heath	4 Aug
101*	M. Wright	Albrighton v Shelton	2 Sept
100	M. Serplet	Reman Services v Bomere Heath	11 Aug
100	W. Fynn	Oswestry v Quatt	9 June

Bowlers taking 7 wickets or more - Division One

7 - 22	S. Khenwar	Broseley v Albrighton
7 - 25	I. Firmstone	Broseley v Market Drayton
7 - 28	C. Jones	Quatt v Market Drayton
7 - 31	M. Bellamore	Newtown v Market Drayton
7 - 40	H. Farhat	Broseley v Madeley
7 - 43	G. Jones	Welshpool v Ludlow
7 - 47	I. Davies	Oswestry v Albrighton
7 - 50	C. Whitney	Albrighton v Quatt

Leading Batting Averages 2007 - Division One

(Qualification - Minimum 13 innings average over 22)

Name	Team	Inns	Runs	N/Outs	HS	Ave
W. Fynn	Oswestry	14	840	3	150*	76.36
A.T. Evans	Quatt	16	704	3	134	54.15
M. Wright	Albrighton	15	589	2	101*	43.31
M. Serplet	Reman Svs.	16	653	1	115*	43.53
D. De Silva	Madeley	15	494	3	75	41.17
W. Wagner	Bomere Heath	13	439	1	95	36.58
G. Hughes	Albrighton	15	411	2	87	31.62
R. Hodgson	Ludlow	16	424	1	150	28.27
I. Bissell	Albrighton	14	353	1	54*	27.15
C. Jones	Quatt	14	260	4	58	26.00
S. Pugh	Madeley	15	381	-	56	25.40
D. Frost	Welshpool	13	254	3	67	25.40
M. Bellamore	Newtown	14	349	-	91	24.93
B. Jones	Newtown	15	288	3	74*	24.00
S. Davies	Shelton	16	342	1	77*	22.80
B. Vale	Quatt	15	271	3	51*	22.58

Qualified Bowling Average 2007 (Minimum - 25 Wickets)

Name	Team	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. Serplet	Reman Svs.	137.1	31	319	31	10.29
D. De Silva	Madeley	186.1	50	508	43	11.81
W. Fynn	Oswestry	146.2	31	481	36	13.37
R. Hodgson	Ludlow	196	57	547	40	13.68
S.N. Gwilt	Reman Svs.	180.5	48	430	31	13.87
M. Wright	Albrighton	150	29	517	37	13.97
I. Davies	Oswestry	185	45	544	36	15.11
C. Speake	Shelton	157	33	485	33	14.70
C. Jones	Quatt	189	43	548	36	15.22
B. Jones	Quatt	185.4	56	457	30	15.23
I. Davies	Oswestry	179	27	607	39	15.56

Proactive Personnel Shropshire Premier Cricket League Reserve Division - Statistics 2007

Final League Table

	P	W	L	BP	A	P
Madeley	22	13	1	23	6	321
Albrighton	22	11	3	33	6	291
Reman Services	22	10	2	26	6	285
Ludlow	22	8	4	41	5	263
Oswestry	22	8	7	56	4	262
Shelton	22	7	8	47	4	244
Broseley	22	5	8	43	8	194
Welshpool	22	5	8	57	5	190
Bomere Heath	22	3	9	66	7	185
Market Drayton	22	4	10	50	6	164
Newtown	22	4	10	39	6	161
Quatt	22	2	9	50	7	137

Highs and Lows 2007

Highest score by a team - 326 - 5 - Oswestry v Market Drayton -
28th April

Lowest score by a team - 24 - Ludlow v Shelton - 22nd September

Batsmen Scoring Centuries

145	A. Lloyd	Madeley v Newtown	5 May
126	W. Wagner	Bomere Heath v Market D'ton	7 July
122*	R. Lockley	Ludlow v Market Drayton	8 Sept
112	A. Clarke	Oswestry v Market Drayton	28 April
110*	K. Walters	Madeley v Newtown	5 May
108*	R. Genner	Ludlow v Quatt	4 August
105	R. Davies	Newtown v Welshpool	9 June
100*	P. Phillips	Oswestry v Quatt	9 June
100	I. Radotra	Shelton v Albrighton	1 Sept

Bowlers Taking 7 Wickets or More

8 - 20	J. Anthony	Newtown v Bomere Heath
8 - 27	J. Williams	Reman Services v Newtown
7 - 25	W. Phillips	Reman Services v Quatt
7 - 47	T. Redfern	Ludlow v Market Drayton

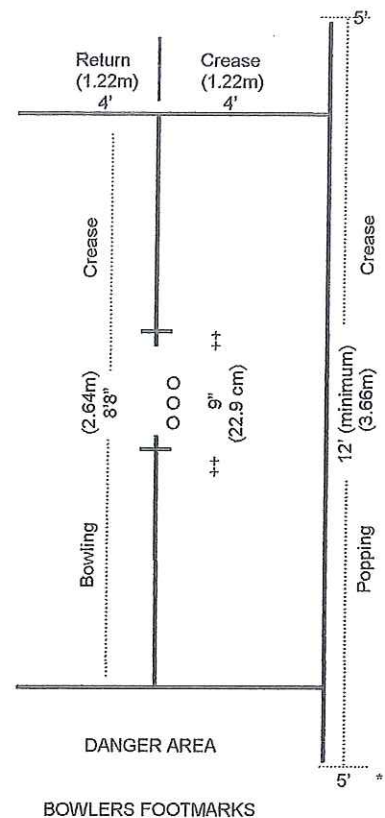
Leading Batting Averages 2007 - Reserve Division (Qualification - Minimum 13 innings average over 20)

Name	Team	Innings	Runs	Not Out	HS	Average
C. Hodson	Madeley	13	369	4	83	41.00
A. Clarke	Oswestry	13	500	-	112	38.46
I. Cleary	Albrighton	13	294	3	50	29.40
R. Lockley	Ludlow	13	310	2	122*	28.18
M. Griffiths	Reman Svs.	13	253	4	57	28.11
K. Walters	Madeley	15	352	2	110*	27.08
I. White	Quatt	13	299	-	91	23.00
W. Yewbrey	Albrighton	13	261	1	62	21.75
C. Harrison	Market D'ton	14	270	1	65	20.77
M. Swift	Reman Svs.	14	221	3	72	20.09

Qualified Bowling Averages - Reserve Division 2007 (minimum 30 wickets)

Name	Team	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. Cadwallader	Shelton	129.5	26	334	34	9.82
J. Lloyd	Madeley	116	27	308	31	9.94
I. Cleary	Albrighton	119.3	18	408	38	10.74
C. Hodson	Madeley	128	32	350	30	11.67
W. Phillips	Reman Svs.	176.2	41	490	38	12.08

DIAGRAM SHOWING MEASUREMENTS AND MARKING OF CREASE



NB To assist Umpires, a white mark (*see above) must be made 5' in front of the Popping Creases, on either side of the Pitch and also a 4" mark on the bowling crease 1 foot either side of the middle stump (++) above).

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SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE CUP 20/20 KNOCKOUT COMPETITION

RULES 2008

- 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 (2003 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 invited clubs, as determined by the League's Knock-out Sub-Committee.

3 Rules

Law 1

- (a) Each player must be a registered member of the club he represents when playing in the competition.
- (b) A player who is a member of more than one club can play only for one club in the competition.
- (c) Before the toss for innings, each captain must nominate his players, who may not thereafter be changed (without the consent of the opposing captain). The nominated players to be set out on a team sheet, which is to be presented to both umpires. The team is deemed able to start at 6.15 pm, if seven or more players are present at 6.05 pm.
- (d) Any team failing to fulfil a fixture at any stage of the competition, may be excluded from the competition the following year and thereafter must make an application for re-admittance to the league executive, no later than October 1st in the preceding year.

Law 3

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

Two coloured balls (provided by the League) shall be used in all rounds of the competition, up and until the final.

NOTE: In circumstances whereby the coloured balls are lost or damaged and no more are available, they may be substituted by a regulation red ball of the usual variety.

Law 12

- (a) Except in 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 14

Declaration and forfeiture, will not apply in the competition, the captain of the batting side may not declare his sides innings closed at any time during the course of the match.

Law 16

The interval between each innings shall be not more than ten minutes.

Law 21

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

No bowler may bowl more than four overs out of the allotted twenty. If a match of fewer overs is agreed upon, no bowler may bowl more than a fifth of that total, per innings.

Law 24.12 No Ball

The laws of cricket will apply, except that the penalty for a 'no ball', shall be two runs.

The delivery following a 'no ball' called for a foot fault (Law 24.5), shall be a free hit, for whichever batsman is facing.

If the delivery for a free hit is not a legitimate delivery (e.g. any kind of no ball or a wide ball) then the next delivery will become a free hit for whichever batsman is facing.

For any free hit, the striker may be dismissed, only under the circumstances that apply for a no ball, even if the delivery for a free hit, is called a wide ball. Field changes are permitted for free hit deliveries.

Law 25

(a) In addition to Law 25 (wide ball) umpires are instructed to apply a very strict and consistent interpretation in regard to the law, in order to prevent negative bowling wide of the wicket, any ball passing behind the batsman (in his normal stance at the wicket) not touching his person or equipment, will be called and signalled 'wide ball' by the bowler's end umpire.

(b) Any ball which after pitching passes or would have passed above shoulder height of the batsman standing upright at the crease, shall be called and signalled no ball, by the umpire at the bowler's end.

Law 31

Timed out - will apply, except that the incoming batsman, must be in a position to take guard, or for his partner to be ready to receive the ball, within one minute and 30 seconds of the fall of the previous wicket. The incoming batsman is expected to be ready to make his way to the wicket, immediately a wicket falls, and is expected to 'jog' to the wicket.

Restriction - On Placement Of Fielder

(a) At the instant of the delivery, there shall be no more than five fielders on the leg side (throughout the innings).

For the first six overs of each innings only two fielders are permitted to be outside an area, bounded by the 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 (the fielding circle). The fielding circle should be marked by painted white 'dots' at five yard intervals, with each 'dot' being covered by a white plastic disc (not metal), measuring seven inches in diameter.

For the remaining overs of each innings, only five players are permitted to be outside the fielding circle at the instant of delivery.

(b) Two inner circles shall be drawn on the field of play, the circles shall have as their centres, the centre point of "the popping crease" at either end of the pitch, the radius of each of the circles shall be fifteen yards denoted by plastic discs coloured if possible. The segment of the circles, for slip positions shall not be demarcated. And for the first six overs of each innings, there must be a minimum of two stationary fielders (excluding the wicket-keeper) within fifteen yards of the striker at the instant of delivery. However, when a fast bowler is bowling, the two stationary fielders may be permitted to stand deeper than fifteen yards in the un-demarcated area, provided only that they are standing in slip, leg slip and gully position.

(c) In circumstances where the number of overs are reduced for either team, the fielding restrictions shall be reduced proportionately, in accordance with the table on, for each innings. When calculating these overs, fractions are to be ignored, regarding the number of overs to be bowled. If on resumption, the number of overs for the fielding restrictions has already been exceeded, this should take effect immediately.

Total Overs In An Innings	Number Of Overs For Which Fielding Restrictions Will Apply
5 - 6	1
7 - 9	2
10 - 13	3
14 - 16	4
17 - 19	5
20	6

In the event of any infringement, of any of the above fielding restrictions, the strikers end umpire shall call and signal "no ball".

Bowling Of Overs - Time Restriction

(Which will cover all ties - including the final)

(a) There will be normally be two sessions of play of one hour and fifteen minutes each, separated by an interval of ten minutes, during which time the pitch may be rolled, at the request of the captain, of the side batting second.

(b) If the team fielding first, fails to bowl the required number of overs by the scheduled cessation time of the first innings, play shall continue until the required number of overs have been bowled. In the event of them failing to do so, the full quota of overs will be completed, and the batting side will be credited with six runs for every full over that has not been bowled, with these runs being added to their overall total.

This will apply to both innings of the match, and if the side batting second is credited with runs in this way, and this consequently takes their score past that of the side batting first, then the match shall be deemed to have won by the side batting second. All penalties in this regard, will be imposed immediately the ball first becomes 'dead', after the scheduled or re-scheduled cessation time of the innings.

(c) In delayed or interrupted matches, one over will be deducted for every full three minutes and forty five seconds of playing time lost. The number of overs shall be arranged, so that both teams have the opportunity of batting for the same number of overs (minimum of five overs per side). For reduced overs matches, the timings shall be adjusted, by the amount that the starting time is also adjusted, allowing three minutes and forty-five seconds for each six ball overs to be bowled.

(d) If the innings is terminated before the scheduled or re-scheduled 'cut off' time, no over rate penalty shall apply, if the innings is interrupted, the over rate penalty will apply, based on the re-scheduled cessation time for that innings.

(e) The umpire shall inform the fielding team captain when taking the field for the first team and on every subsequent occasion, if play is interrupted by the weather, the cessation time for that innings and the umpire at the bowlers end will inform the fielding captain, the batsmen and his fellow umpire, of any time allowance, as and when they arise, (this matter will not be subject to retrospective negotiation). In addition, in all reduced overs matches, the fielding team will be given one overs leeway.

4 FIXTURES

(a) The Shrewsbury Chronicle - 20/20 knockout Competition, draw and dates, along with any amendments to the playing regulations, shall be circulated to all Marston's Shropshire Premier League clubs and guest entrants at least four months prior to the following seasons competition getting underway.

A reminder of the aforementioned will be relayed to all participating clubs before the end of April in each year, as well as being included in the League Handbook.

(b) The Preliminary round, along with the first two rounds of the competition, shall be pre-drawn up and until the Semi-Final stage, with the matches taking place 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 fixture, it shall take place on their opponents' ground.

(c) Each round of the Competition, inclusive of the Preliminary round, the first two rounds - Proper and the Semi-Finals (which will be drawn on the completion of the second round matches), shall be played on the specified conference dates.

(d) Should the ground be deemed unfit for play, or the match abandoned without a positive result being achieved on the conference date, the match shall take place on the following Thursday. Should the final and second conference date be affected by inclement weather conditions, so preventing a positive result, a bowl out shall take place to decide the winner.

NOTE - Bowl-Outs

(a) The eleven participants from each side shall bowl over-arm, alternately at a complete set of wickets, from a distance of a normal pitch length (22 yards), with the winner being the side who hit the wickets most times from the eleven attempts.

(b) Should the hits be equal after the initial Bowl-out, a 'Sudden Death' (golden ball) will ensue, with each side bowling in the same alternate order as previously, with their original ball as used in the initial Bowl-out until a positive result is achieved.

(c) In circumstances whereby the actual 'square' is deemed unfit, Bowl-outs may take place on the outfield, in the net area, or at a suitable indoor venue, should such a facility be available, whichever is agreed upon by both sides. If, however both sides agree that conditions are unfit for a bowl-out, and no suitable indoor venue is available, the toss of a coin shall decide the winner.

(d) Should the second conference date be postponed, due to inclement weather conditions, so preventing either side being in attendance, a representative from each side shall arrange to meet at a mutually agreed venue, either on the same evening or no later than the following evening, so enabling the toss of a coin to take place in deciding the winner.

IMPORTANT, PLEASE NOTE

(a) If any side is unable to play on the specified conference date, or on the following Thursday, other than due to inclement weather conditions, they shall forfeit the match.

(b) Matches shall normally commence no later 6:15pm on the day arranged. The umpire shall call 'Play' no later than 6:45pm, or refusing to play shall forfeit the match.

(c) Prompt starts are essential and the toss for Innings shall take place at least fifteen minutes before the scheduled starting time of 6:15 pm. 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.

(d) The Umpires in each round of the competition, shall be responsible for notifying the competition organiser, of the result of each match within 48 hours of the fixture taking place.

5 FINAL

(a) The final of the competition shall be played on a Sunday in September, on a date decided by the knock-out sub committee.

(b) The Final shall take place at a neutral venue, selected by 'The K.O Sub Committee'. In the event of a neutral venue not being available, the two finalists will toss a coin to decide on the venue of the winners' choosing.

(c) The Final shall be played on the basis of two innings per side, each of twenty overs duration, which shall be taken alternately with no bowler bowling more than a maximum of four overs per innings. Should for any reason, the final be played over a lesser number of overs per innings, no bowler may bowl more than a fifth of that total agreed upon.

(d) In the event of the scores being equal at the end of the match, the side losing fewer wickets overall shall be declared the winner. If this is also equal, the side scoring the greater number of runs in their respective first innings, shall be declared the winner. If this is also equal, the final shall be replayed.

(e) If the final is abandoned due to inclement weather conditions after the completion of the first innings, the winner shall be the side who scored most runs, relative to the first two completed innings.

(f) In the event of the first two innings scores being equal, the side losing fewer wickets during that period 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 halfway stage of the first two completed innings, shall be declared the winner.

(g) Should the final be postponed or abandoned without the completion of the first two innings, it shall take place on the following Sunday at the same venue, should the venue not be available on this date, the two finalists shall toss a coin to decide on a venue of the winners' choosing.

(h) The organising committee will provide four new coloured balls for use in the final, as well as mementoes of the occasion, to be presented to both finalists.

6 UMPIRES

The SCB Association of Cricket Officials shall provide Umpires to stand in all rounds of the competition.

SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE CUP 20/20 KNOCKOUT 2008

Preliminary round to be played on Thursday 29th May at 6.15 pm

Broseley	v	Albrighton
Madeley	v	Quatt
Much Wenlock	v	Newport
Newtown	v	Oswestry

Round 1

To be played on Thursday 12th June at 6.15 pm

A Wellington	v	Newport or Much Wenlock
B Wern	v	Bomere Heath
C Shifnal	v	Madeley or Quatt
D Bridgnorth	v	Ludlow
E Broseley or Albrighton	v	Whitchurch
F Reman Services	v	Oswestry or Newtown
G St Georges	v	Shelton
H Shrewsbury	v	Welshpool

Round 2

To be played on Thursday 26th June at 6.15 pm

Semi-final

To be drawn on the completion of second round ties and played on Thursday 24th July at 6.15 pm

Final

To be played at Madeley Cricket Club on Sunday 7th September at 12:30pm, on the basis of two innings per side - each of twenty overs duration

Please Note

In each of the rounds the umpires shall notify the competition organiser of the result within 48 hours of the completion of the respective ties.

Competition Organiser - Clive Smith - Tel: 01939 235576

**2007 SHREWSBURY CHRONICLE CUP
20/20 - KNOCKOUT FINAL**

Sunday, 9th September at Reman Services Cricket Club
Shifnal won by six Wickets

First Innings

Wellington -118 - 7 - A. Byram (35) - M. Downes (24)
- A. Sultan (3 - 26)
Shifnal-143 - 7 - J. Whitney (76) - B. Jones (22)
- M. Robinson (3 - 52)

Second Innings

Wellington -141 - 7 - M. Robinson (39) - M. Downes (34 n.o.)
Shifnal - 121 - 4 - J. Whitney (53) - J. Ralph (40 n.o.)

Man of the Match: Jono Whitney - Shifnal

Losing semi-finalists: St. Georges and Bridgnorth

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	Nepot
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	Wern	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
2000	Wellington	Perkins
2001	Bridgnorth	Whitchurch
2002	Shrewsbury	Newport
2003	Wroxeter	Bridgnorth
2004	Oswestry	St Georges
2005	Wellington	Oswestry
2006	Shrewsbury	Shifnal
2007	Shifnal	Wellington

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Ground		01902 373221
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Ground	No telephone - Contact any of the above officers	
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Ground		01952 882877

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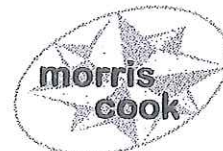
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Training courses are held each year at Wrekin College Sports Centre, Wellington and Neville Cardus Cricket Centre, Shrewsbury School on Tuesday evenings from January to mid-March. The Association is also pleased to respond to requests from Clubs for explanations of the more frequently used Laws of Cricket at Club meetings of players and officials.

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2007 LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES

LEAGUE CRICKET CONFERENCE CEDRIC RHOADES TROPHY KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION 2007

After receiving a bye in the first round, the Proactive Shropshire Premier Cricket League representative side, progressed in the second round against the Bristol & District League via the toss of a coin after several attempts to play the match had been thwarted by bad weather. This put the side in the semi-final of the competition.

Semi-Final - Match Details:

Sunday 12th August, v The Durham Coast League, at Bill Quay CC, Gateshead.

Proactive SPCL won by four wickets

Durham Coast League 131 (C. Jones 3-29, R. Birch 3-31)
Proactive SPCL 134-6 (G. Jones 41, E. McCarney 39)

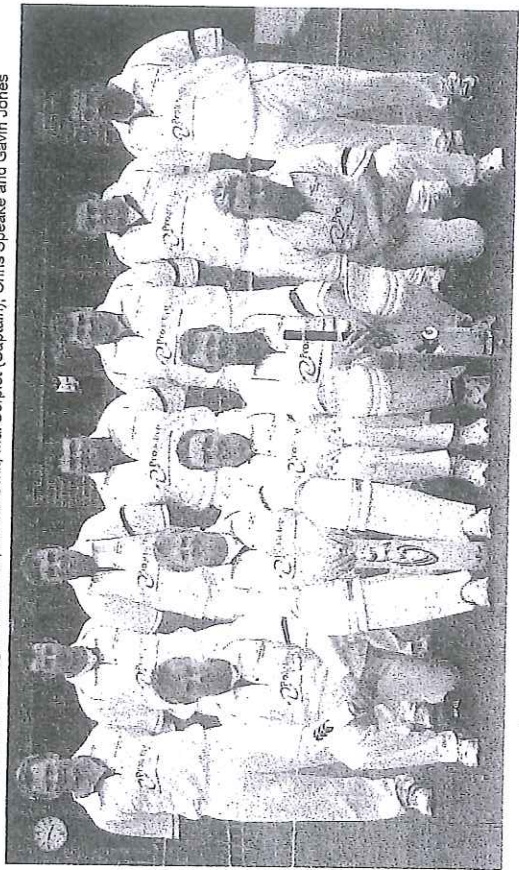
Final - Match Details:

Sunday, 9th September v Derbyshire County League, at Marehay CC, Ripley.

Proactive SCPL lost by nine wickets

Proactive SCPL 153 (M. Davies 44)
Derbyshire County League 157-1 (M. Serplet 1-25)

PROACTIVE SPCL REPRESENTATIVE SIDE - FINAL OF CEDRIC RHOADES TROPHY
v DERBYSHIRE COUNTY LEAGUE - MAREHAY CC
Back Row, left to right: Rob Birch, Craig Jones, Mark Bissell (Twelfth man), Eugene McCarney, Darren Bullock (Wicketkeeper),
Jason Summers and Mark Davies
Front Row, left to right: Ian Bissell, Shane Gwilt, Mal Serplet (Captain), Chris Speake and Gavin Jones



ENGLAND AND WALES CRICKET BOARD
JUNIOR CRICKETERS PLAYING IN ADULT MATCHES

Introduction

The ECB has issued the following guidance covering the participation of young cricketers in adult matches. This guidance applies to boys and girls and any reference to he/his should be interpreted to include she/her. Age groups are based on the age of the player at midnight on 31st August in the year preceding the current season.

Guidance for Clubs and Leagues

All clubs must recognise that they have a duty of care towards all young players who are representing the club. This duty of care also extends to Leagues that allow the participation of young players in adult teams in their League. The duty of care should be interpreted in two ways:

- Not to place a young player in a position that involves an unreasonable risk to that young player, taking account of the circumstances of the match in the relative skills of the player.
- Not to create a situation that places members of the opposing side in a position whereby they cannot play cricket as they would normally do against adult players.

In addition the following specific requirements apply to young players in adult matches:

- All young players who have not reached their 18th birthday must wear a helmet with a faceguard when batting and when standing up to the stumps when keeping wicket. Parental consent not to wear a helmet should not be accepted in adult matches. A young player acting as a runner must also wear a helmet even if the player he is running for is not doing so.

- The umpires and the opposing captain must be notified of the age group of all players participating in an adult match who are in the Under 19 age group or younger even if the player is not a fast bowler. This requirement also covers any young player taking the field as a substitute fielder. The ECB Team Sheet cards are freely available to facilitate this.
- Any player in the Under 13 age group and younger must have explicit written consent from a parent or guardian before participating in adult matches. Clubs must ensure that their player registration procedures ensure that consent is obtained. The guidance related to changing and showering (see 'Safe Hands' - Welfare of Young People in Cricket Policy) must be adhered to.
- Any club wishing to play a player in the Under 11 age group in an adult League or Cup match must obtain the explicit prior approval of the League or Cup management before the player can play. Approval should only be given to exceptionally talented players. It is recommended that advice is sought from the County Age Group Coach or other ECB Level 3 coach as appropriate.

Clubs and Leagues can apply more strict restrictions on the participation of young players in adult matches at their discretion. It is strongly recommended that a parent, guardian or other identified responsible adult is present whenever a player in the Under 13 age group or younger plays in an adult match.

Fielding Regulations

For reference, the ECB Fielding Regulations are as follows:

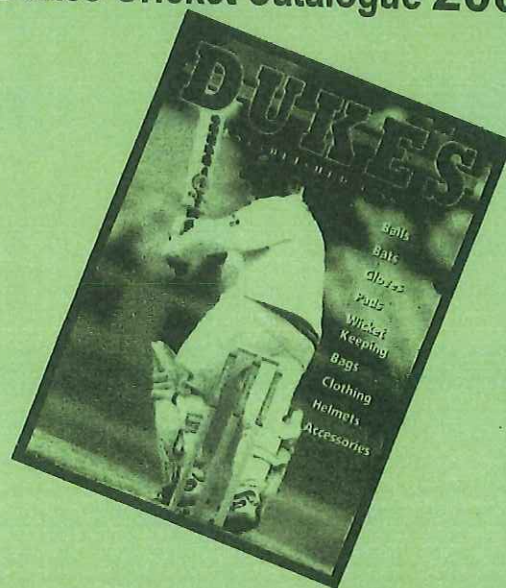
- No young player in the Under 15 age group or younger shall be allowed to field closer than 8 yards (7.3 metres) from the middle stump, except behind the wicket on the off side, until the batsman has played at the ball.
- For players in the Under 13 age group and below the distance is 11 yards (10 metres).

- These minimum distances apply even if the player is wearing a helmet.
- Should a young player in these age groups come within the restricted distance the umpire must stop the game immediately and instruct the fielder to move back.
- IN ADDITION ANY YOUNG PLAYER IN THE Under 16 to Under 18 age groups, who has not reached the age of 18, must wear a helmet and, for boys, an abdominal protector (box) when fielding within 6 yards (5.5 metres) of the bat, except behind the wicket on the off side. Players should wear appropriate protective equipment whenever they are fielding in a position where they feel at risk.

These fielding regulations are applicable to all cricket in England and Wales.

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