

CRICKET SPECIAL

Hilton saved by youngster

County hit a new low

For a side pressing hard for the championship title, Derbyshire's day resembled a side doing their best to claim the wooden spoon.

At the hands of a team who only won their first championship game last week, they were outplayed in every department and crushed by an innings and plenty inside two days.

Although the sun beat down, this was one of their darkest days of the season as bowlers and batsmen all performed well below par.

After beginning the day with a chance of getting back in the game, Derbyshire handed the match to Leicestershire on a plate in a disastrous morning.

Starting with a lead of 43, Leicestershire extended that to 275 before their five remaining wickets fell.

Against bowling that was too short and too wide, they plundered 146 runs to take the game out of Derbyshire's reach.

It was no better after lunch as Phil Whitticase continued to supervise the resistance and looked set to score the second hundred of his career when he was bowled making room to cut Allan Warner.

A last wicket stand of 51 put the lid on a woeful day and it was only broken when Kim Barnett introduced his leg spin to have John Maguire caught at extra cover.

Needing 275 to avoid an innings defeat, Derbyshire lost the crucial wicket of Peter Bowler, the man most likely to display adhesive qualities, in the sixth over.

Then, from 45 for one, Derbyshire slid to 47 for four and were looking for miracles.

They did not materialise as Mohammad Azharuddin was

Scoreboard

Overnight: Derbys 1st inns 117; Leics 1st inns 160-5.

LEICS 1ST INNS (cont)

B Smith c Adams b Cork.....51
P Whitticase b Warner.....26
J Benson c Adams b Cork.....19
D Mills.....

c Krikken b Goldsmith.....17
C Wilkinson not out.....31
J Maguire.....

c O'Gorman b Barnett.....26
Extras.....30
Total.....292

Fall (cont): 6-234, 7-264, 8-314, 9-392
Bowling: Malcolm 32-5-117-2,
Mortensen 28-8-59-1, Cork
25-8-62-3, Warner 29-3-99-2,
Goldsmith 9-1-31-1, Barnett
1-4-2-1.

DERBYS 2ND INNS

K Barnett.....
c Whitticase b Wilkinson 26
P Bowler c Whitticase b Maguire 5
T O'Gorman.....

c Whitticase b Mills.....13
C Adams b Mills.....
M Azharuddin b Maguire.....26
S Goldsmith run out.....20
K Krikken c Boon b Wilkinson 24
D Cork b Wilkinson.....8
A Warner.....

c Whitticase b Wilkinson 8
D Malcolm c Whitticase b Mills 4
O Mortensen not out.....0
Extras.....10
Total.....144

Fall: 1-19, 2-45, 3-45, 4-47,
5-91, 6-100, 7-119, 8-131, 9-136,
10-144.

Bowling: Mills 13-4-54-3,
Maguire 12-3-30-2, Wilkinson
14-4-59-4.

Leics (24 pts) bt Derbys (3pts) by
an innings and 131 runs.

lbw to Maguire and
Steve Goldsmith was run
out in a horrible mix-up
with Karl Krikken.

At least Krikken
battled it out to what
was a bitter end of a
sour day for Derbyshire
which was summed up
by one dejected supporter
who left the ground whistling *The
Last Post*.

Champs Staffs chasing double

Staffordshire's Minor Counties cricketers celebrated their most memorable day for 64 years at Hertford yesterday.

An eight-wicket win over Hertfordshire, inspired by Old Hill seamer Nigel Hackett's eight for 62, gave them the Eastern Division title and set up the prospect of a championship and cup double.

Staffs, last crowned as champions in 1927, now face two finals in the next fortnight, first against Devon in the Holt Cup at Lord's next week and then against the Western Division winners (either Oxfordshire or Devon) in the championship play-off at Luton on Sunday September 8.

Skipper Nick Archer beamed: "We have been so close to winning the Eastern Division over the years that it makes it all the sweeter now we have managed it. Whatever happens in the two finals, it is satisfying to finish at the top of a 10-team division."

Scores: Herts 200-4 dec and 173 (M James 73, N Hackett 8-62) Staffs 225-5 dec and 152-2 (D Cartledge 73) Staffs (21 pts) beat Herts (4 pts) by eight wickets

Albrow Maltsters 2nd Division

Teenage hero Alan Barber forced promotion issues to take a back seat as he almost single-handedly took HILTON to victory in their mid-table clash with TRENTSIDE.

The 15-year-old watched wickets tumble all around him but stood his ground to smash an unbeaten 100 and secure victory but just one wicket.

Visitors Trentside batted first on Hilton's ground and were bowled out for 128 in 44 overs with Richard Shaw making a fine contribution of 39 runs.

Hilton, however, made a terrible start, losing their first four wickets for 21 runs and, at 61 for six, looked a beaten side.

But Barber, having opened the innings, stayed at the wicket and kept the runs coming.

He was joined by his father, Ian, and together they added 33 before Ian was run out for two runs.

Alan added another 25 for the ninth wicket and with younger brother Neil joining him for the last wicket, needed nine runs needed for victory.

Together they took the score closer with Alan completing a splendid century, but it was Neil who snatched the winning glory from him by pulling a long hop through a crowd of fielders for the winning three runs.

Meanwhile, BRACKENFIELD leap-frogged above Elford into the second promotion spot by beating SWADLINCOTE by 105 runs.

ELFORD will have been disappointed to lose their match with NETHERSEAL ST PETERS.

The Saints reached 158 runs with the major contribution coming from Colin Whotton's 58.

Elford started well reaching 70 for two, but perhaps the importance of the occasion got to some of their players and a collapse left them 41 short of their target.

HAMMERWICH continued on their unbeaten trail, although their bowlers were made to toil by RAWDON'S batsmen.

Evans and Richard Faulkner started with a stand of 98, with the former going on to make 61 in a total of 175 for five.

Hammerwich batted with same ruthless though and won by seven wickets with over six overs in hand. Andy Owen with 80 was the chief run-maker.

After a 60 opening stand by DRAYCOTT AND HANBURY'S by Paul Walker and Vaughan Taylor in 17

overs against KINGS BROMLEY, there was a mini-collapse.

However, but 35 from Charles Wallace and 24 not out from Graham Dodd took Draycott to 145 for eight.

Kings Bromley scored slowly, but big-hitting Duncan Carter brought his team into contention

but David Walker's six for 54 off 18 overs helped reduce Kings Bromley to 105 all out.

Positions

ALBREW 2ND DIV

| | P | W | T | L | A | B | T |
|-------------|----|----|---|----|---|----|-----|
| Ham'wich | 16 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 58 | 166 |
| Brackensf'd | 16 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 42 | 125 |
| Elford | 16 | 10 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 45 | 121 |
| Dray/Han | 16 | 8 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 36 | 98 |
| Hilton | 16 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 3 | 31 | 82 |
| Trentside | 16 | 5 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 39 | 80 |
| Netherseal | 16 | 6 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 27 | 72 |
| K Bromley | 16 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 26 | 60 |
| Rawdon Coll | 16 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 2 | 26 | 53 |
| Swadlincote | 16 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 21 | 37 |

Fixtures: Swadlincote v Hilton, Kings Bromley v Trentside, Rawdon v Brackensfield, Elford v Hammerwich, Draycott and Hanbury v Netherseal SP.

MALTSTERS SCOREBOARDS

Hilton v Trentside

| | |
|--|--|
| M Stakes c A Barber b S Harrison.....2 | |
| I Morgan b P Daffern.....12 | |
| R Shaw c H Press b R Barber.....39 | |
| R Davenport c H Press b R Barber.....3 | |
| C Williams b P Daffern.....14 | |
| G Brake run out.....4 | |
| Norton c b I Barber.....4 | |
| P Bailey run out.....11 | |
| K Lakin b P Slaney.....4 | |
| J Jayson b S Harrison.....1 | |
| M Upchurch not out.....24 | |
| Extras.....1 | |
| Total.....(10 wks) 128 | |

Fall of wickets: 1-2, 2-56, 3-58, 4-60, 5-84, 6-104, 7-109, 8-124, 9-126, 10-128.

Bowling: S Harrison 14-3-35-2, P Slaney 10-2-22-1, R Barber 8-2-19-2, P Daffern 8-2-16-2, I Barber 4-0-23-1.

HILTON

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|--|--|
| R Barber c G Norton b G Brake.....1 | |
| A Barber not out.....100 | |
| P Daffern c R Shaw b G Brake.....0 | |
| M Press b M Upchurch.....1 | |
| P Slaney b G Brake.....2 | |
| S Harrison b R Davenport.....5 | |
| P Bingham b P Bailey.....2 | |
| I Barber run out.....2 | |
| A Saddler c Bailey b Brake.....0 | |
| S Thompson c R Shaw b M Upchurch.....3 | |
| N Barber not out.....0 | |
| Extras.....129 | |
| Total.....(9 wks) 129 | |

Fall of wickets: 1-3, 2-5, 3-14, 4-21, 5-42, 6-61, 7-94, 8-95, 9-120.

Bowling: M Upchurch 15-3-47-2, G Brake 15-4-2-54-4, R Davenport 5-1-12-1, P Bailey 3-0-14-1.

Hilton (8pts) beat Trentside (4pts) by 1 wkt.

Brackensfield v Swadlincote

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| G Newbold b Staley.....44 | |
| N Twells b Hughes.....11 | |
| D Foulke c J Staley b Heath.....13 | |
| J Cowley b Heath.....13 | |
| P Smith c T Heath b Gardner.....31 | |
| D Newbold b Gardner.....22 | |
| S Fleming not out.....22 | |
| S Glover not out.....2 | |
| Extras.....15 | |
| Total.....(6 wks) 184 | |

Fall of wickets: 1-54, 2-61, 3-97, 4-108, 5-139, 6-170.

Bowling: S Hughes 7-2-23-1, J Staley 11-2-52-1, T Heath 16-2-52-2, K Gardner 11-2-48-2.

SWADLINCOTE

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|------------------------------------|--|
| K Gardner b Reynolds.....16 | |
| A Proudman b Fleming.....7 | |
| M Lunn b Fleming.....0 | |
| S Newton c Cowley b Fleming.....0 | |
| J Wild c Binnon b Fleming.....9 | |
| D Taylor c Binnon b Fleming.....10 | |
| T Heath c b Reynolds.....8 | |
| G Eaply c Binnon b Fleming.....2 | |
| R Bates b Fleming.....0 | |
| S Hughes run out.....0 | |
| J Staley not out.....12 | |
| Extras.....8 | |
| Total.....(10 wks) 78 | |

Fall of wickets: 1-15, 2-15, 3-26, 4-37, 5-45, 6-58, 7-62, 8-62, 9-66, 10-78.

Bowling: S Fleming 18-4-42-7, R Reynolds 17-3-28-2.

Brackensfield (12pts) beat Swadlincote (4pts) by 106 runs.

Barber hits ton of gold



Family hero... father Ian and younger brother Neil salute 15-year-old century maker Alan Barber (centre) after his superb 100 not out took Hilton to a memorable victory over Trentside.

Hammerwich v Rawdon Colliery

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|-------------------------------------|--|
| D Evans c Hopkins b Henm.....61 | |
| R Faulkner c Rigby b Roberts.....45 | |
| A Ball b Rigby.....26 | |
| D Ball b Roberts.....10 | |
| M Faulkner not out.....21 | |
| A Hewitt run out.....9 | |
| I Hestall b Roberts.....0 | |
| B Ball b Roberts.....0 | |
| D Lauben b J Watkins.....3 | |
| B Woollett not out.....5 | |
| Extras.....10 | |
| Total.....(7 wks) 175 | |

Fall of wickets: 1-98, 2-113, 3-113, 4-149, 5-161, 6-167, 7-167.

Bowling: A Owen 5-0-31-0, D Henm 12-1-27-1, S Owen 4-0-21-0, S Hopkins 5-0-24-0, A Roberts 14-2-46-4, S Herry 5-0-17-1.

HAMMERWICH

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|--------------------------------|--|
| A Owen b D Ball.....80 | |
| T Osmart b Hewitt.....36 | |
| B Hurcombe b R Faulkner.....20 | |
| R Marigold not out.....8 | |
| S Hopkins not out.....27 | |
| Extras.....9 | |
| Total.....(3 wks) 178 | |

Fall of wickets: 1-53, 2-134, 3-138.

Bowling: I Hestall 5-1-18-0, W Faulkner 5-0-20-0, A Hewitt 11-0-47-1, R Faulkner 9-3-27-1, D Ball 3-0-33-1.

Hammerwich (11pts) beat Rawdon Colliery (1pt) by 7 wks.

Draycott/Han v Kings Bromley

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|--------------------------------------|--|
| P Walker c J Watkins b Tisley.....21 | |
| V Taylor c N Law b Tisley.....31 | |
| P Stubbs c b Baker.....11 | |
| C Wallace c T Watkins b Baker.....35 | |
| J Fletcher b T Watkins.....0 | |
| C Flack c D Carter b Baker.....0 | |
| G Dodd not out.....24 | |
| D Lauben b J Watkins.....3 | |
| P Gregory not out.....1 | |
| D Walker c D Mott b Baker.....1 | |
| Extras.....18 | |
| Total.....(8 wks) 145 | |

Fall of wickets: 1-60, 2-66, 3-87, 4-88, 5-93, 6-137, 8-143.

Bowling: Tisley 12-1-51-2, Baker 22-4-56-4, T Watkins 11-1-26-2.

KINGS BROMLEY

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| R Woodburn c Fletcher b G Dodd.....4 | |
| M McKenna c Flack b D Walker.....18 | |
| D Carter c D Cauben b G Dodd.....21 | |
| H Baker c P Bullock b D Walker.....18 | |
| D Mott c C Flack b P Walker.....4 | |
| T Watkins not out.....3 | |
| I Mott b D Walker.....27 | |
| B Smith c C Flack b D Walker.....1 | |
| R Bluff b P Walker.....0 | |
| N Law b D Walker.....13 | |
| P Tisley b D Walker.....0 | |
| Extras.....0 | |
| Total.....(10 wks) 105 | |

Fall of wickets: 1-11, 2-23, 3-43, 4-59, 5-65, 6-76, 7-78, 8-80, 9-105, 10-105.

Bowling: D Walker 18-8-54-6, G Dodd 6-0-27-2, P Walker 12-0-28-2.

Draycott & Hanbury (9pts) beat Kings Bromley (3pts) by 40 runs.

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