

THE WEEKLY REPORT



Disappointing Saturday for Sevenoaks Vine

Bexley (160-3) beat Sevenoaks Vine (158 all out)

Looking to put last week's home defeat against Lordswood behind them, Sevenoaks Vine's 1st XI travelled to last season's runners-up Bexley. The Vine elected to bat first on a warm day and good looking wicket, hoping to emulate a similar start to last week. Captain Benn stuck early for Bexley taking the wicket of Bekker with Schlemmer soon to follow, edging one to Scotland International Matt Cross.

Aitken and Barber likewise fell early on leaving the Vine at 57-4. Bowden had been playing fluently for his 45 before chipping one to long on off Adam Riley (3-29), who also took the dangerous wicket of Howick LBW. Durell and Richardson (45 not out) set about a recovery before Durell fell for 23 at 131-7. The tail failed to wag, leaving the Vine 158 all out as a result of some poor shot selection and good bowling.

Bexley came out with intent to knock off the low score quickly with Basey hitting 40 off 25 balls, before falling LBW to Parsons at 43-1. Parsons (2-34) would then later pick up the wicket of Laas LBW for 4.

However, it would be a solid partnership between Bexley's two international stars Matt Cross (48) and Calum MacLeod

(50 not out) who would take Bexley within touching distance of victory before Cross fell to Schlemmer. Haley and MacLeod finished the job off for Bexley within 35.1 overs.

Another disappointing outing for the 1st XI despite some encouraging individual performances. Hoping for a change in form and fortune, the 1st XI will look to make amends in their crucial home fixture against Tenterden on the Vine this weekend.

Sevenoaks Vine 2nd (275-3) lost to Bexley 2nd (302-5)

A scorching summer's day on the Vine was met with a run-fest as the 2nd XI faced a high flying Bexley. After winning the toss, Bexley decided to bat on a green twinged wicket that looked like it was only going to improve as the Saturday sun beat down.

Christie charged down the hill first up bowling with pace and precision, taking the early wicket of Griggs in the first over and Wells in his second over. At 5-2, Bexley found themselves reeling.

A tremendous battle then took place between Robinson and Christie who bowled with discipline, and batsmen Bell (43) and Abbas (29) who looked to survive the early onslaught. However,

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it would be Proctor who would make the crucial breakthrough taking Abbas' off stump, closely followed by trapping Bell LBW.

As spinners Thompson and Cowdrey came into the attack, Bexley were well poised at 111-4 at the midway point. A partnership worth 159 between Barton (79) and Dalgliesh (121 not out) took control of the innings. After being 180-4 after 40 overs, the pair began to let loose, making use of the short boundary and punishing the Vine bowling. Some quite unbelievable hitting by Dalgliesh led Bexley to finish on 302-5.

Despite the formidable score to chase, the Vine set about their business with composure. Thompson in particular led the charge, adequately accompanied by Adams. The pair complemented each other well, punishing the bad ball as well as rotating the strike nicely. At 25 overs, the Vine were at 124-0, and looking in good shape to launch an attack.

Two quick wickets however thwarted progress with Thompson (68) chipping one back to Griggs and Houillion falling without scoring. Quinney joined Adams and played around captain Adams as he brought up his own 50. At 34 overs, the score would be 151-2, needing 10 an over to win the game.

Adams would now open up, playing strokes similar to Dalgliesh in the first innings by launching countless sixes into Seal Hollow Road. With 10 overs left needing 120, perhaps there was a glimmer of hope the Vine could replicate the end of innings hitting of Bexley. Despite bringing up his hundred, it was to be too little too late for the Vine as Adams fell in the 48th over for 128. Quinney also brought up his own half century (51 not out) whilst Cowdrey on debut showed what he had in his repertoire reverse sweeping Patel for six. The Vine finished 27 runs short finishing on 275-3.

A disappointing afternoon in which plenty can be learned, but full of great promise. This coming weekend, the 2nd XI will travel away to a strong Tenterden side.



Sevenoaks Vine players could not get a win on Saturday as all three teams lost their matches

Sevenoaks Vine 3rd (143 all out) lost to Borstal 2nd (144-9)

It was a glorious day at Orchard Field where the Vine 3rds welcomed Borstal 2nds. We were treated to several fly pasts by the local Spitfires based at Biggin Hill, the roar of the Merlin engines getting the players necks craning skywards and dreaming what it would be like to reach for the sky.

The Vine won the toss and elected to bat. Peters and Martin posted another solid start of 47 before the first wicket went down. Borstal's opening bowlers held their length and offered little width making driving the ball almost impossible on a very slow deck, unhelped by Martin's pedestrian limping between the wickets didn't help rotate the strike and singles failing to materialise into twos.

However other than Peters' 50, all the Vine's batsmen struggled with the lack of pace and bounce. A particular mention goes to colt Leo Bezuidenhout who scored a useful 27/ But similar to a summer air battle back in July 1940, the Vine's innings was shot down in flames 143 all out and not using all their allocated overs. Borstal had done a fine job setting challenging fields saving runs

and bowled tightly, with Tingley taking the best figures of 4 - 43.

However the Vine weren't done Craig McNicholas and Jon Coleman opened the bowling and what a fine job they did, with Coleman swinging the ball in prodigiously and McNicholas banging away at a length. The Borstal openers looked all at sea, with chances flying wide of the cordon. It took a fine piece of work by colt Olly Chessell to get the ball rolling, running out one of the openers. Then the new ball was lost in the undergrowth and the replacement stopped hooping round so a double bowling change ensued with the spin duo of Tudor and Martin wheeling away. Wickets soon tumbled with Tudor (4-38) using the stiff breeze to great effect clean bowling 3 of his victims and nailing the other LBW, ably assisted by Martin who also took 4 - 35. In came Borstals last man who later admitted he was trembling like a jelly on a plate with still a job to do. But Tingley smashed Tudor for the only 6 of the game and it looked like the game was won, despite a difficult chance to be dropped at extra-cover. The Vine lost by 1 wicket when it looked like they had pulled the cat out of the bag a great game of cricket.

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Disappointment for Welsh at National Schools finals

George Welsh's excellent championship run came to an end on Saturday in Grantham with a narrow points defeat to Pep Lyons (Ardwick Lads) in the National Schools finals.

Welsh with only five bouts behind him faced the vastly more experienced Lyons and performed admirably once again. Welsh's strong aggressive style had seen off three boxers on his way to the finals however the judges preferred Lyons clever backfoot boxing on this occasion.

Head coach Mickey Bowden was full of praise for Welsh after saying "we would have been happy with a Southern Counties title when we first entered George, for him to get all the way to the finals in his 1st season is a great feat and he wasn't far off from winning it. He's proved he belongs at this level and with a bit more experience he can go all the way next time, everyone at the club is very proud of him!"

On the previous night West Kingsdown had 2 out of 3 winners on the Prince of Wales show in Canterbury. John Friend lost a tight decision, whilst Zak Rodgers and Simon Briggs both impressed securing 2nd round stoppage wins.

The club travel up to Cumbria on Thursday for their final competition of the season in the Lord Lonsdale Box Cup where boxers Tommy Hill, Xavier Claudel and Harvey Martin hope to become the tournament's 1st ever winners. They will have to win 3 bouts in 3 days in order to do so but Bowden added "this will be a

great experience for them, a real festival of boxing, with 4 rings boxing simultaneously up on the beautiful Lake

District, they've all trained hard and are looking forward to it!



Finalist George Welsh with Head coach Mickey Bowden (right) and coach Phil Smith (left)

Halstead do battle with Kemsing in good spirits

Halstead skipper, Sukh Chana, won the toss and batted first, but at 29-5, was probably regretting his decision, as Mark Cooper finished his 8 over spell with 3-12. Stuart Barnes had 2-15 at the other end.

However, a fine rearguard action, led by Paul King (47) and Giles Harrison (25) saw Halstead to 132 all out with Barnes, in his second spell, taking the last 2 wickets in 2 balls to finish with 4-15.

In response, Kemsing started solidly, but lost last week's centurion, Grahame

Wood, for 29. Barnes broke even on the day with 15 aggressive runs, before missing 'the dreaded straight one'. Alan Parry and Harry Cottle didn't last too long either, but 19 year-old Jake Wood held firm in the anchor role, until he too was bowled, for 32 invaluable runs.

It was down to the tail, with the asking rate still around three an over and very possible, but in keeping with the general tone of the innings, the shot selection was not ideal and with only 10 men again, Kemsing regretted the lack of

player availability, as Shaddock was left high and dry with only four runs needed from seven balls!

3-24 for Giles Harrison and 3-15 for Nick Andrade was reward for some accurate and nagging bowling, with no margin for error for the Kemsing batsmen.

However, in keeping with the traditions of the Kent County Village League, even such a close game as this was played in superb spirit, with good humour between the sides at all times.

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		Р	W	Т	L	BaP	BoP	Pen	Pts				W	Т	L	BaP	BoP	Pen	Pts
1	Sandwich Town	4	3	0	0	4	1	0	65	1	Old Colfeians 4th	4	3	0	0	0	12	0	67
2	Beckenham	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	63	2	Holmesdale 3rd	4	3	0	1	0	21	0	66
3	Blackheath	4	2	0	1	3	3	0	51	3	Blue Star	4	2	0	1	0	22	0	62
4	Tunbridge Wells	4	2	0	1	0	2	0	47	4	Orpington 4th	4	2	0	2	0	19	0	49
5	Lordswood	4	2	0	1	0	4	0	46	5	Bexley 6th	3	1	0	1	0	16	0	41
6	Bickley Park	4	1	0	2	7	6	0	40	6	Catford & Cyphers 4th	4	0	0	3	0	30	0	40
7	Bexley	4	1	0	2	0	7	0	34	7	Old Wilsonians 4th	3	1	0	1	0	12	0	37
8	Sevenoaks Vine	4	1	0	2	4	3	0	34	8	OD CUACO 4th	3	1	0	2	0	12	0	27
9	Bromley Common	4	0	0	3	5	6	0	20	9	NatWest 2nd	3	0	0	2	0	7	0	17
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		P	W	Т	L	BaP	BoP	Pen	Pts	1	Bidborough	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	70
1	Holmesdale	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	62	2	Shipbourne	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	70
2	Canterbury	4	2	0	1	1	4	0	49	3	Four Elms	4	2	0	1	6	3	0	59
3	Folkestone	4	2	0	1	1	4	0	49	4	Sissinghurst	4	2	0	1	1	5	0	56
4	HSBC	4	2	0	1	1	4	0	49	5	Speldhurst	4	2	0	1	0	6	0	56
5	Bromley	4	2	0	1	0	4	0	48	6	Penshurst Park	4	1	0	2	7	5	0	42
6	Hartley Country Club	4	2	0	1	0	1	0	45	7	Horsmonden	4	1	0	2	3	5	0	38
7	St Lawrence & H'Court	4	1	0	2	4	10	0	38	8	Meopham	4	1	0	2	4	4	0	38
8	Linden Park	4	0	0	3	10	14	0	30	9	Withyham	4	0	0	3	3	14	0	27
9	The Mote	4	1	0	2	0	1	0	27	10	Linton Park	4	0	0	3	4	11	0	25
10	Dartford	4	0	0	3	7	5	0	20										
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PI	REMIER 2nd XI											Р	W	Т	L	BaP	BoP	Pen	
		P	W	Т	L	BaP	BoP	Pen	Pts	1	Bearsted	4	3	0	0	4	1	0	75
1	Bexley	4	3	0	0	0	4	0	64	2	Locksbottom	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	70
2	Hartley Country Club	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	62	3	Outwood	4	2	0	1	1	5	0	56
3	Tunbridge Wells	5	2	0	1	3	3	0	56	4	Plaxtol	4	2	0	1	0	5	0	55
4	Tenterden	4	3	0	1	0	0	0	54	5	Cudham Wyse	4	2	0	1	1	3	0	54
5	Sandwich Town	4	2	0	1	5	2	0	49	6	Leigh	4	1	0	2	4	11	0	45
6	Sevenoaks Vine	4	1	0	2	4	10	0	38	7	Southborough	4	1	0	2	9	4	0	43
7	Lordswood	5	1	0	2	0	5	0	37	8	lghtham	4	1	0	2	4	8	0	42
8	Whitstable	4	1	0	3	3	7	0	28	9	Eynsford	4	0	0	3	3	17	0	30
9	Holmesdale	4	0	0	3	8	11	0	25	10	Shoreham	4	0	0	3	2	8	0	20
10	Beckenham	4	0	0	3	3	11	0	22										
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_		Ξ.	W	-	L		BoP			1	Farningham	4	3	0	0	2	1	0	73
1	Upchurch 3rd	4	2	0	1	0	21	0	61	2	Bidborough 2nd	4	2		1	3	6	0	59
2	Borstal 2nd	3	3	0	0	0	13	0	58	3	Hadlow	4	2	_	1	0	8	0	58
3	Lordswood 3rd	4	2	0	2	0	28	0	58	4	Limpsfield Chart	4	2	_	1	2	6	0	58
4	Staplehurst 2nd	3	3	0	0	0	12	0	57	5	Groombridge	4	1	0	1	5	8	0	53
5	Sevenoaks Vine 3rd	4	1	0	2	0	24	0	49	6	Stonewall Park	4	1	0	1	4	3	0	47
6	Snodland Community		2	0	1	0	18	0	48	7	Marden	4	1	0	2	1	7	0	38
7	Sherwood 2nd	4	1	0	3	0	26	0	41	8	Underriver	4	1	0	2	3	4	0	37
8	Holcombe & BB Hill 2nd		1	0	3	0	23	0	38	9	Flimwell	4	1	0	2	0	2	0	32
9	Old Williamsonians 2nd	13	0	0	3	0	11	0	11	10	Weald	4	0	0	3	3	7	0	20

RESULTS

Kent Cricket League Premier 1st XI: Bexley (160-3) beat Sevenoaks Vine (158 all out); Blackheath (110-5) beat Tunbridge Wells (109 all out); Bromley Common (255-10) lost to Beckenham (303-4); Lordswood (238-7) beat Bickley Park (237-8); Tenterden (198 all out) lost to Sandwich Town (384-6).

Division One 1st XI: Folkestone (165 all out) best

Canterbury (154 all out); Holmesdale (214 all out) beat Linden Park (169 all out); HSBC (184-10) beat Bromley (131-10); St Lawrence &

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DIVISION FOUR

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1	Otford	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	70
2	Chiddingstone	4	2	1	0	3	7	0	68
3	Luddesdowne	4	3	0	1	1	2	0	63
4	Kemsing	4	2	0	1	1	5	0	56
5	Halstead	4	2	0	1	0	2	0	52
6	Meopham 2nd	4	1	0	2	6	7	0	43
7	Limpsfield Chart 2nd	4	1	0	2	3	7	0	40
8	Shipbourne 2nd	4	0	1	2	4	13	0	35
9	Horsmonden 2nd	4	1	0	3	1	8	0	29
10	Knockholt	4	0	0	3	3	11	0	24

DIVISION FIVE

		Р	W	Т	L	BaP	BoP	Pen	Pts
1	Sissinghurst 2nd	4	2	0	0	0	2	0	72
2	Betsham	4	2	0	1	7	3	0	60
3	West Farleigh	4	2	0	1	2	5	0	57
4	Cudham Wyse 2nd	4	1	0	1	3	3	0	56
5	St Lawrence	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	50
6	Pembury	3	1	0	1	0	8	0	38
7	Fordcombe	3	0	0	2	0	9	0	19
8	Sennocke	3	0	0	1	- 1	3	0	14
9	Linton Park 2nd	3	0	0	3	1	4	0	5

Highland Court (178-5) beat Dartford (177 all out); The Mote (33 all out) lost to Hartley Country Club (36-3).

Premier 2nd XI: Beckenham 2nd (188 all out) lost to Whitstable 2nd (214-8); Hartley Country Club 2nd (132-5) best Lordswood 2nd (131 all out); Sandwich Town 2nd (132-2) beat Tenterden 2nd (131 all out); Sevenoaks Vine 2nd (275-3) lost to Bexley 2nd (302-5); Tunbridge Wells 2nd (188-9) beat Holmesdale 2nd (183-9).

Kent Regional Cricket League 2A Central: Holcombe & Blue Bell Hill 2nd (75-0) beat Old Williamsonians 2nd (74 all out); Sevenoaks Vine 3rd (143 all out) lost to Borstal 2nd (144-9); Staplehurst 2nd (129-5) beat Sherwood 2nd (127 all out); Upchurch 3rd (148-7) beat Lordswood 3rd (111 all out).

1C Met/West: Blue Star (89 all out) lost to Orpington 4th

(101 all out); Catford and Cyphers 4th (137-7) lost to OD CUACO 4th (183-7); Holmesdale 3rd (73 all out) lost to Old Wilsonians 4th (131-6); Old Colfeians 4th (199-5) beat NatWest 2nd (131-8).

Kent County Village League Division 1: Horsmonden (134-8) lost to Speldhurst (198-8); Meopham (159-9) lost to Four Elms (161-5); Penshurst Park (187)all out) lost to Bidborough (236-6);Shipbourne (136-6) beat Linton Park (134-8);Sissinghurst (85-3) beat Withyham (84 all out).

Division 2: Bearsted (208-9) beat Eynsford (175 all out); Cudham Wyse (141 all out) lost to Leigh (145-7);Locksbottom (110-2) beat Shoreham (106 all out); Outwood (225-3)beat Southborough (223-7);Plaxtol (154-8) beat Ightham (103 all out).

DIVISION SIX

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1	Penshurst Park 2nd	4	2	0	1	3	1	0	54
2	Chevening Amblers	3	2	0	0	0	2	0	52
3	Bidborough 3rd	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	52
4	Farningham 2nd	4	2	0	2	2	7	0	49
5	Southborough 2nd	4	2	0	2	3	4	0	47
6	Kilndown & L'hurst	3	2	0	1	1	2	0	43
7	Four Elms 2nd	4	1	0	2	8	5	0	43
8	Locksbottom 2nd	3	1	0	2	0	5	0	25
9	Leigh 2nd	4	0	0	3	1	8	0	9

DIVISION SEVEN

		Ρ	W	Т	L	BaP	BoP	Pen	Pts
1	Pembury 2nd	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	80
2	Outwood 2nd	4	3	1	0	0	5	0	73
3	Otford 2nd	4	2	1	0	0	9	0	67
4	Bidborough 4th	4	3	0	1	0	5	0	65
5	Bearsted 2nd	4	2	0	1	2	7	0	59
6	Withyham 2nd	4	1	0	2	5	12	0	47
7	Luddesdowne 2nd	4	1	0	2	0	5	0	45
8	West Farleigh 2nd	4	2	0	2	0	2	0	42
9	Speldhurst 2nd	4	1	0	1	9	3	0	42
10	Marden 2nd	4	0	0	2	4	8	0	42
11	Eynsford 2nd	4	1	0	2	3	3	0	36
12	Cudham Wyse 3rd	4	1	0	3	2	9	0	31
13	Shoreham 2nd	4	0	0	3	8	8	0	26
14	Hadlow 2nd	4	0	0	2	3	10	0	23

Division 3: Bidborough (369-6) beat Groombridge (244 all out); Flimwell (179-4) beat Limpsfield Chart (176-7); Hadlow (127-3) beat Marden (126-8); Stonewall Park (123) beat Underriver (122 all out); Weald (144-8) lost to Farningham (158-6).

Division 4: Chiddingstone (185 all out) tied with Shipbourne 2nd (185 all out); Halstead (132 all out) beat Kemsing (129 all out); Knockholt (140 all out) lost to Horsmonden 2nd (171-8); Limpsfield Chart 2nd (219 all out) beat Meopham 2nd (166-5); Luddesdowne (148 all out) lost to Otford (149-4).

Division 5: Fordcombe (81 all out) lost to St Lawrence (223-6); Linton Park 2nd (121-8) lost to Sissinghurst 2nd (199-4); Sennocke conceded to

Cudham Wyse 2nd; West Farleigh (103 all out) lost to Betsham (144 all out).

Division 6: Farningham 2nd (146-3) beat Penshurst Park 2nd (142-7); Four Elms 2nd (196-6) lost to Locksbottom 2nd (197-3); Leigh 2nd (107 all out) lost to Kilndown & Lamberhurst (110-2); Southborough 2nd (209 all out) lost to Bidborough 3rd (254-6).

Division 7: Cudham Wyse 3rd (142-9) lost to Pembury 2nd (191-6); Eynsford 2nd (102 all out) lost to Outwood 2nd (106-4); Hadlow 2nd conceded to Marden 2nd; Otford 2nd (158-6) beat Bearsted 2nd (157 all out); Shoreham 2nd (90 all out) lost to Bidborough 4th (96-4); Speldhurst 2nd conceded to Luddesdowne 2nd; Withyham 2nd (106 all out) lost West Farleigh 2nd (186 all out).

FIXTURES -

Saturday 2nd June CRICKET

Kent Cricket League Premier 1st XI: Beckenham v Tunbridge Wells; Bickley Park v Bromley Common; Lordswood v Bexley; Sandwich Town v Blackheath; Sevenoaks Vine v Tenterden.

Division One 1st XI: Bromley v Linden Park; Canterbury v Holmesdale; Dartford v Folkestone; Hartley v HSBC; The Mote v St Lawrence & HC.

Premier 2nd XI: Bexley v Lordswood; Holmesdale v; Sandwich Town; Tenterden v Sevenoaks Vine; Tunbridge Wells v Beckenham; Whitstable v Hartley.

Kent Regional Cricket League 2A Central: Borstal 2nd v Sherwood 2nd; Lordswood 3rd v Staplehurst 2nd; Old Williamsonians 2nd v Upchurch 3rd; Snodland Community v Holcombe & Blue Bell Hill 2nd.

1C/Met West: Bexley 6th v Old Colfeians 4th; NatWest 2nd v Orpington 4th; OD CUACO 4th v Blue Star; Old Wilsonians CC 4th v Catford and Cyphers 4th.

Kent County Village League Division One: Bidborough v Shipbourne; Four Elms v Withyham; Linton Park v Sissinghurst; Meopham v Horsmonden; Speldhurst v Penshurst Park.

Division 2: Bearsted v Outwood; Eynsford v Ightham; Leigh v Locksbottom; Shoreham v Plaxtol; Southborough v Cudham Wyse.

Division 3: Groombridge v Weald; Limpsfield Chart v Hadlow; Marden v Bidborough 2nd; Stonewall Park v Flimwell; Underriver v Farningham.

Division 4: Halstead v Luddesdowne; Horsmonden 2nd v Limpsfield Chart 2nd; Kemsing v Meopham 2nd; Otford v Chiddingstone; Shipbourne 2nd v Knockholt.

Division 5: Cudham Wyse 2nd v Betsham; Sennocke v Linton Park 2nd; Sissinghurst v Fordcombe; St Lawrence v Pembury.

Division 6: Chevening Amblers v Four Elms 2nd; Kilndown & Lamberhurst v Southborough 2nd; Locksbottom 2nd v Leigh 2nd; Penshurst Park 2nd v Bidborough 3rd.

Division 7: Bidborough 4th v Cudham Wyse 3rd; Hadlow 2nd v Bearsted 2nd Luddesdowne 2nd v Otford 2nd; Outwood 2nd v Speldhurst 2nd; Pembury 2nd v Marden 2nd; West Farleigh 2nd v Shoreham 2nd; Withyham 2nd v Eynsford 2nd.



