

LOWERHOUSE CRICKET CLUB.

ESTABLISHED, 1862.

REPORT OF THE SEASON, 1878.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE LOWERHOUSE CRICKET CLUB.

GENTLEMEN,

In presenting to you this Season's Report, we are glad to have to record one of a satisfactory character.

At the commencement of the Season, we had arranged 23 Matches, 12 of which were won, 2 lost, 5 undecided, and 4 not played from other causes.

The first eleven were victorious in 4, lost 2, 4 drawn, and 4 not played.

By the second eleven, 6 were won, none lost, and 1 undecided.

Of 2 matches played by the Colts, both were won.

The total result of matches played since the formation of the Club is as follows : Won, 152 ; Lost, 90 ; drawn, 63 ; total, 305.

With respect to our Batting and Bowling, we congratulate our Members on the improvement in their Batting averages as compared with last year, Mr. I. Walton obtaining the first eleven prize for the greatest number of runs, and Mr. T. Sagar in the second. We are sorry that we cannot report much improvement in the Bowling, although the averages are very good. Mr. J. Sykes stands first with 6.42 runs per wicket in the first, and Mr. J. Greenwood, junr., with 4.9 in the second eleven.

With respect to the financial state of the Club, we are very sorry to have to announce a very disastrous season, from causes too well known; but your Committee hope by perseverance to bring it back to that state of prosperity which has been its chief characteristic.

The total receipts of the year are £270 2s. 5½d., and the expenditure £282 2s. 3d., thus showing a deficit of £11 19s. 9½d.

Mr. J. Sykes having given general satisfaction as Professional during the past season, your Committee have re-engaged him for the year 1879.

In conclusion, we, on behalf of the Committee, take the opportunity of expressing our warmest thanks to Messrs. John Dugdale and Bros., and all other honorary members for their liberal support, and respectfully solicit a continuation of the same.

We remain, yours respectfully,

Dec. 26th, 1878.

JOHN HEAP,
JAMES FARRER, } Hon. Secs.

Batting Averages of First Eleven.

NAME.	Matches.	Innings.	Times not out.	Greatest Score in one Inns.	Total Runs.	Average Runs per Innings.
T. Sagar	3	2	1	28	55	27.1
I. Walton	10	6	4	47	149	24.5
T. Holland	10	9	1	36	141	15.6
J. Hartley	9	7	2	27	91	13
A. Wolstenholme	10	10	0	34	102	10.2
J. Elliott	6	5	1	38	51	10.1
J. Newlands	10	10	0	24	81	8.1
C. Ingham	10	9	1	33	67	7.4
G. Hargreaves	10	9	1	14	65	7.2
J. Sykes	10	10	0	23	67	6.7
J. Howarth	7	4	3	6	17	4.1
S. Laycock	10	6	4	10	20	3.2
M. Starkie	3	3	0	2	3	1
S. Barnes	1	1	0	0	0	0

Bowling Averages of the First Eleven.

NAME.	Wides	Maidens.	Balls.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average Runs per Wicket
Sykes	1	65	1032	324	47	6.42
Hargreaves	2	16	255	100	11	9.1
Laycock	4	35	622	257	18	14.5
Wolstenholme	1	5	113	51	3	17
Walton	0	0	10	4	1	4
D. Howarth	0	1	35	20	c	0.20

Batting Averages of Second Eleven.

NAME.	Matches	Innings	Times not out	Greatest Score in one Inns.	Total Runs	Average Runs per Innings
T. Sagar, senr. ...	7	6	1	58	251	41.5
T. Johnson.....	7	6	1	25	93	15.3
J. Robinson	5	5	0	47	60	12
M. Starkie	4	4	0	20	48	12
T. Heap	7	7	0	14	44	6.2
S. Barnes	5	5	0	18	31	6.1
J. Greenwood, sen	5	5	1	1	22	5.2
J. Oxley	7	4	3	11	22	5.2
J. Whittaker	6	5	1	14	24	4.4
J. Greenwood, jun	3	2	1	5	5	2.1
G. Heap	4	3	1	4	6	2
J. Heaton	3	3	0	0	0	0
W. Fort	2	2	1	10	12	12
J. Howarth.....	2	2	0	17	12	11
J. Pickles	2	1	1	7	8	8
J. W. Fletcher	2	2	0	3	4	2
J. Elliott.....	1	1	0	18	18	18
N. Read	1	1	0	6	6	6
R. Shutt	1	0	1	3	3	3
W. Greenwood ...	1	1	0	3	3	3
H. J. Wilkinson... ...	1	1	0	0	0	0

Bowling Averages of the Second Eleven

NAME	Matches	Innings	Times not out	Greatest Score in one Innings	Total Runs	Average Runs per Innings	Balls	Runs	Wides	Maidens	Wickets	Average Runs Per Wicket
J. Greenwood, jun	181	49	1	133	717	5.18						
J. Oxley	397	128	7	17	23	6.8						
T. Johnson	494	30	0	0	1	10						
T. Sagar, sen...	30	8	0	0	0	0						
T. Heap	20	3	1	1	2	10						
J. Robinson	40	22	3	1	2	11						
W. Fort	40	5	0	0	0	0						
H. J. Wilkinson...	12	9	0	0	0	0.9						
W. Greenwood ...	5	1	0	0	0	0.1						

Batting Averages of Colts.

NAME	Matches	Innings	Times not out	Greatest Score in one Inns.	Total Runs	Average Runs per Innings
W. Fort	2	2	2	23	44	22
G. Heap.....	2	2	0	33	35	17.1
J. Whittaker	2	2	0	25	32	16
H. J. Wilkinson..	2	2	0	19	26	13
W. Greenwood ...	2	2	0	16	16	8
R. Shutt	2	2	0	4	4	2
J. Farrer.....	1	1	0	17	17	17
J. Greenwood, jun.	1	1	0	12	12	12
J. W. Fletcher ...	1	1	0	10	10	10
J. Oxley	1	0	1	3	3	3
J. Greenwood, sen.	1	1	0	3	3	3
W. Slater	1	1	0	2	2	2
N. Read	1	1	0	2	2	2
J. Pickles	1	0	0	2	2	2
J. Heaton	1	0	0	2	2	2
T. Sagar, junr. ...	1	0	0	0	0	0

Bowling Averages of Colts.

NAME	Matches	Innings	Times not out	Greatest Score in one Inns.	Total Runs	Average Runs per Innings	Balls	Runs	Wides	Maidens	Wickets	Average Runs per Wicket
Wilkinson	99	33	1	1	99	3.6						
Oxley	50	17	0	0	50	4.1						
Greenwood, junnr.	63	20	3	2	63	3.2						
Fort	18	2	1	1	18	1.4						
Sagar	30	15	0	0	30	1.5						

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RECEIPTS.

	£ s. d.
To Balance on hand.....	59 18 11½
,, Receipts of Matches	9 9 2
,, Receipts of Sports	74 11 1
,, Sale of Baskets	0 1 1½
,, Receipts of Sports.....	83 3 10½
,, Receipts of Concert	10 19 3
,, Honorary Members' Subscriptions	13 19 0
,, Playing Members' Subscriptions	18 0 0
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	£270 2 5½

EXPENDITURE.

	£ s. d.
By Match Expenses.....	18 11 4
,, Ground "	6 16 2
,, Expenses of Sports.....	88 13 10
,, New Bats, Balls, &c	9 9 3
,, Expenses of Sports.....	86 14 6
,, Expenses of Concert.....	3 13 6½
,, Professional.....	34 16 0
,, Cleaning, Painting, and New Windows for Pavilion ...	7 7 0
,, Stationery	5 16 2
,, New Tent for Collecting Money	3 0 0
,, New Seats for Field	4 0 0
,, Cementing Pavilion	9 10 0
,, Donkey	1 13 0
,, Rent of Additional Ground	2 0 0
,, Incidentals	0 1 5½
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	£282 2 3

Examined and found correct,

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