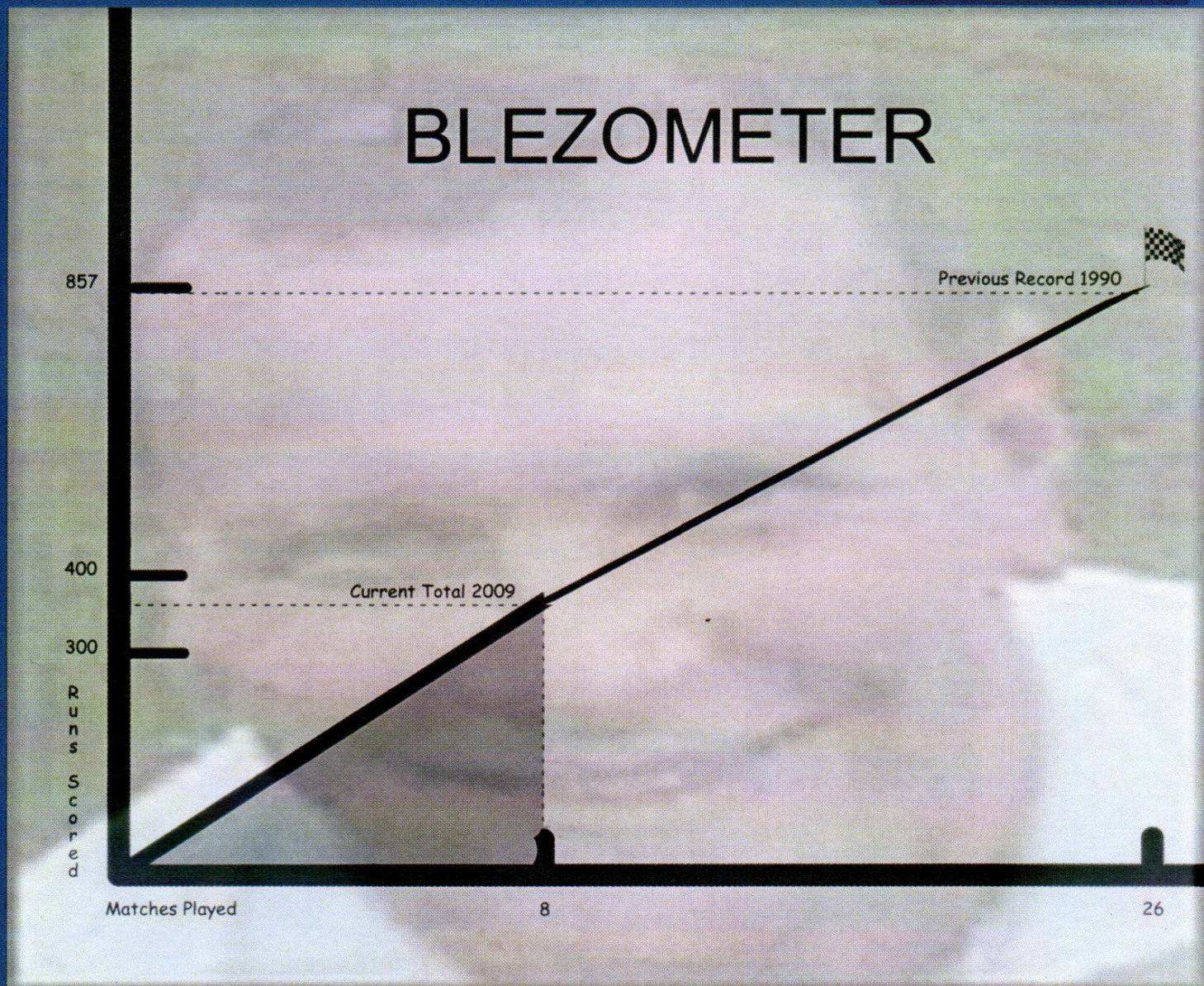
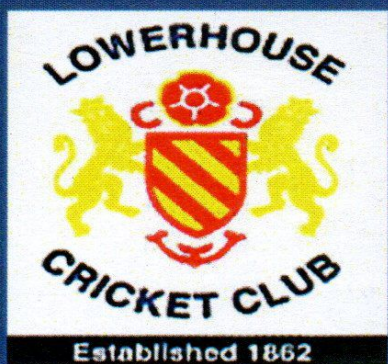


Lowerhouse Cricket Club Match Programme

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Shining example to all our youngsters that team players break more records than BTC's



Lowerhouse V Enfield
14th June 2009

THE TEAMS

LOWERHOUSE

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Meet The Fans

For many Lowerhouse supporters watching the team has become a life-long labour of love. For others, though, more a passing fancy or phase in their lives. The latter would best describe John Scarisbrick's era of watching cricket, which was largely centred on the 1950's.

John lived in Rosegrove Farm, the oldest building in the village, until the M65 claimed it. Since 1990 he has lived in Blackpool. He still gets to an occasional County match at nearby Stanley Park but today recalls his days as a 'House supporter. John was part of a trusty legion of faithful supporters who followed the club home and away. Their mode of transport was nearly always the bus, or indeed several buses. Some of the group loved cricket more than beer and for others it was vice-versa. Now in his mid-eighties John is probably the last survivor of a group which included Jim Sharp, Ernie Foster, Alf Tallon, Nobby Eva, Joe Towneley and local coal man Fred Etherington.

One day John heard that there were some benches available as Elim Baptist church, Colne Road were upgrading their seating. The Lowerhouse committee gave permission for Fred's coal cart to bring about 20 benches to the cricket ground. At a knock down price they were a great signing for the club. One day we might get something newer! John, himself, worked as a joiner at Gregory's of Nelson, and always kept the groundsman supplied with plenty of sawdust. John remembers Centre Vale, Todmorden as his favourite ground. The one he liked least, probably Lanehead, Bacup. The often cold days after struggling up to the ground didn't help his opinion but Bacup's biggest crime was not serving 'House supporters with beer.

John recalls "we were going up the lane to the ground. We were a little late after stopping for a livener in Bacup centre.

This dapper little chap passed and said " I wouldn't bother, he's out". When asked to explain he said "Everton, he's gone". One of us shouted "We're from Lowerhouse, so we're glad he's out, serves him right.

" When we got on the ground we noticed all the Bacup members had their own Yale key and non-members were excluded from the clubhouse.

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We tried to explain that this wasn't fair as they could get a drink down at the 'House. In fact we'd drag people into the bar as we needed the funds to survive. Unfortunately this fell on deaf ears and a dry afternoon was had by all."

Clearly in those days Bacup didn't show the bonhomie and Cary Grant-like charm of current day supporters Eddie of Edenfield and Clive of India. The drinks must have flowed better one day at Alexandra Meadows when John managed to lose one of his fellow Lowerhouse supporters, namely his dog Laddie. It was only on his arrival back at his Red House headquarters that it became apparent that Laddie hadn't made it back with them.

It was only on John's third trip back to Blackburn that John found Laddie at the police dog pound. It was an emotional re-union on both sides.

John's favourite professional was the young Roy Marshall. "A superb batsman who could have steaky days with the as well. "John recalls Marshall would take any and every opportunity of a break in play to lay down and sun himself. If Roy had of done that in the 2,007 or 2,008 seasons he would have ended up like that famous photo of Fran Cotton on a muddy New Zealand rugby field. John's favourite amateur in those bygone days was Jack Salkeld. "When all else failed, Jack could usually entice the opposition to take the aerial route and get themselves out." It may have been a passing fancy but John looks backfondly and wistfully on what was possibly the best decade in the League's history. Truly a golden age.

THE FUTURE

- Congratulations to Max Howells who has been selected for Lancashire under 16s
- Similarly Jack Edgar for Lancashire under 13s

CORRECTED RESULT

Burnley 3XI - 223 all out

LHCC 3XI 193-8

The report and figures were published last week but given as an LHCC win by mistake

Telegraph Cup

Rishton 2XI - 193-all out

LHCC 120 -all out

Micky Lee 5 -33
Kieran Tighe 2-24
Matt Marquis 2-27

Phil Haggerty 28
Jonny Whitehead 20
Joe Martin 18
Max Howells 17

League

LHCC 2 XI 210-4

Rawtenstall 117-10

Joe Martin 62
Phil Haggerty 57
Johnny Whitehead 33*
Paddy Howley 26*

Max Howells 2-19
Mickey Lee 2-20
Kieran Tighe 2-29

This resounding victory lifted the gloom after 3 successive second team defeats. The foundation of the victory was exactly what had been lacking in previous defeats - a solid start. The opening partnership of 131 between Haggerty and Martin was much needed

LHCC U15 Dolphins 78-6

Salesbury U15 72 all out

Josh Lavin 38*
Brinley Anderson 11

Jack Herbert 3-14
Joel Shields 2-1
Ismaeel Khalil 2-13

The junior under 15s won a low scoring game thanks to Josh Lavin's batting and a determined bowling and fielding performance, followed by a high scoring win at home

THE FUTURE

LHCC Dolphins 148-2

Rishton u15 84-9

Maiden 50s for Jack Edgar and Josh Lavin

Dec Bailey 3-17
Brinley Anderson 2-13
Joel Shields 2-16

Burnley u13 261-3

LHCC U 13 Lions 244 -7
Joe Gray 16
Sam Snape 15
Jack Edgar 14*
Jamie Woodall 14
Will Norcross 12*
Ben Gorton 10

Despite scoring well the often senseless loss of wickets caused this defeat to a well drilled Burnley side

Enfield u13 286-2

LHCC u13 Cougars 204- 7

Tom Gregory 11

Some good performances despite the heavy looking defeat. A debut wicket for Tom Flanagan and a good debut from Maddy White. Lowerhouse under 12s entered the South Shore Cricket Festival and were semi finalists in the 12 team competition. Victories over Leyland and South Shore came before a loss to Thornton Cleveleys.

Principal run scorers in the competition were Ben Gorton, Joseph Bayliff and Liam Heaton with Michael Rogan as the sides top wicket taker.

Haslingden u11 - 241-4

LHCC u11 Cubs - 241-2

Tom Bullock 2-9

Top scorers Ben Jenkinson and
Danny Faulkner

The Cubs deserved a tie with a determined performance

Nelson u 9s - 240-6

LHCC 261-5

Ross Birchall 2-14

Top scorer Joseph Halstead

A fourth consecutive victory for the 9s with a good performance despite the extreme cold.

TEA ROOM

TEA ROOM PRICES 2009

Tea	50p
Coffee	60p
Cans	65p

Sandwich	£1.40
Chip Butty	£1.40
Burger	£1.40

Tray of Chips	£1.20
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Pies	£1.20
Pie & Peas	£1.40
Pie, Peas & Gravy	£1.50

Cakes	60p
Crisps	40p
Kit Kat, Mars, Twix	50p