

Lowerhouse Cricket Club Match Programme

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Lowerhouse
v
Rawtenstall
8th May 2010

THE TEAMS

MEET THE TEAMS

LOWERHOUSE

Cottam (capt)
Bailey
Beneduce
Bleazard
Finch
Heap
Hope
Martin J
Martin P
Russell
Heal (pro)

RAWTENSTALL

Hanson(capt.)
Barlow
Hayman
Clough
Kershaw
Payne
Riley
Roscoe
Rushmore
Shafiq
Arif(pro)

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Today's game at West End sees ninth placed Lowerhouse entertain sixth placed Rawtenstall. It was a difficult time for 'House last week-end particularly for in-coming pro Aaron Heal. A promising start versus Todmorden on Saturday, when the visitors were 42-4 was dissipated and Lowerhouse had lost the initiative when rain brought a halt to proceedings. Most 'House folk would have left expecting a replay but there were 5 results elsewhere. It wasn't a surprise on Sunday that Lowerhouse were overmatched by a strong Ramsbottom team at Acre Bottom. It was good to see youngsters Fergus Bailey and Joe Martin trying to bring some respectability but there was an undeniable gulf between the sides.

Meanwhile Rawtenstall were having a mixed week-end, winning on run-rate against Church, before running into a buzzsaw called Brandon Parchmont on Sunday. The East Lancs sub-pro hit a century containing 7 sixes and their 281-4 was roughly 50 per cent too many for Rocky

It is now 28 years since Rawtenstall were last League champions. In that year they were defending their title from the previous season. That 1982 season is well-remembered at Lowerhouse who were pipped by just one point. At the end of the day 'House had a very good pro in Evan Gray but Rocky had a great one in Franklin Stephenson. Later, playing for Notts, Stephenson became the last man, maybe in all eternity, to do the double in an English County season. In truth Rawtenstall should have won the league in 2007. A slow start and the loss of fixtures to poor weather late proved costly because they were the best team that year and the final table unusually told a lie. Part of their slow start was the record all-time opening partnership achieved by Jon Finch and Ryan Harris of 259. Watching that trashing I didn't think I'd be regarding Rocky as the league's best team at the end of the season. I sometimes wonder if the likes of Andrew Payne and Keith Roscoe carry on through their gathering ailments seeking redemption for 2007.

Rawtenstall last won the Worsley Cup in 2003 easily beating a heavily favoured East Lancs team. In all Rocky have been to 6 finals since the 1976 season, winning 4 of those. The final of 1976 was particularly memorable. In that game Chris Flood, brother of Brendan of Burnley F.C. fame produced a remarkable spell of bowling to rescue a game in which Accrington was cruising to a seemingly assured victory. Flood didn't really go on from that but like Roger Osbourne of Ipswich Town, had his one moment in time. Another great win for Rawtenstall was when popular pro Colin Miller bowled Bacup to defeat in 1990 leaving Clive of India and his cohorts crying into their beer. I was at the final 3 years later when Michael Bevan played a patient innings to hold a faltering Rocky together only for Roger Harper to score a brilliant century and win the re-match for Bacup.

Let's hope for a great contest today and after both sides last game debacles, it could come down to bouncebackability..

THE FUTURE

NEWS

Josh Lavin has reached the final trial for the County under 15s squad which will decide the (a) and (b) teams.

Todmorden 2XI - 110-2 off 30 overs - rain stop play

Ramsbottom 2XI - 224-10

LHCC - 182- 8

Michael Lee 3-51
Max Howells 3-63

Max Howells 42
Oliver Bayliff 39
Phil Haggerty 32
Mickey lee 23*

The 1XI standard of the opposition opening attack made inroads into the reply. All credit to the youngsters as they never gave up and 3 bonus points was a good achievement.

LHCC U15 Sharks - 97 - 8

Longridge 97- 5

Jack Edgar 23
Dec Bailey 21
Josh Lavin 10

This match was a double header in terms of a cup and league double up. The result was a defeat in the cup on the basis of less wickets but a tie in the league.

LHCC - 103 -4

Rishton 61-7

Will Norcross - 30*
Harry Halstead - 13
Adam Stubbs -12*

James Ridehalgh 3-11
Harry Green 2-0

Norcross and Ridehalgh excelling again and seeing the side through to the semi finals

Longridge u13 (2) - 286 - 6

LHCC U 13 Tigers - 240- 6

Joey Stein 3-22

Maddy White 14
Conner Bethwaite 10

Several calamitous wickets cost the team in this opening encounter for the B team

THE FUTURE

Continued

Enfield u11 - 223- 2

LHCC u11 - 273-4

Christian Butschok- Brain 16*

Danny Faulkner - 12*
Harry Wheatcroft 11
Jack Moodie 10*
Tom Bridge 10*

A comprehensive win for the team who progressed to the next round of the cup where they played Burnley in a nailbiting match. A run -out off the last ball securing victory for the LHCC lads

LHCC u11 - 267-3

Burnley 266-4

Christian Butschok - Brain 23*
Danny Faulkner 18*
Jack Moodie 17*

DISTRICT CRICKET

Hyndburn u15 - 22 all out

Burnley 24-1

Ismail Khalil 5-9-5
Owen Davies 2-0

Dec Bailey 14*

Extras top scored with 8 for Hyndburn who weren't helped by 2 players failing to show. Ismail Khalil was in devastating form

Burnley u11 - 170-6

Blackburn 171-7

Tom Lawson 53*
Joe Halstead 39
Christian Butschok- Brain - 38

Danny Faulkner 3-12
Marley Byrne 2-25

Having posted one of the biggest scores seen in District u 11s, Burnley were disappointed to lose this fixture in the penultimate over. Unusually for under 11 cricket the most blatant caught behind ever was missed by the umpire and proved costly. The batsman went on to make 50 and anchored the Blackburn innings.

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Friday 7th May 2010 – Sportsman's Dinner – Mike King & Paul Fletcher – Ask Frank for tickets!

Friday 28th May 2010 – Burnley in the T20 Cup – Followed by the outstanding Shyster

Friday 11th June 2010 – Todmorden in the T20 Cup – Followed by the brilliant The Outside.

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