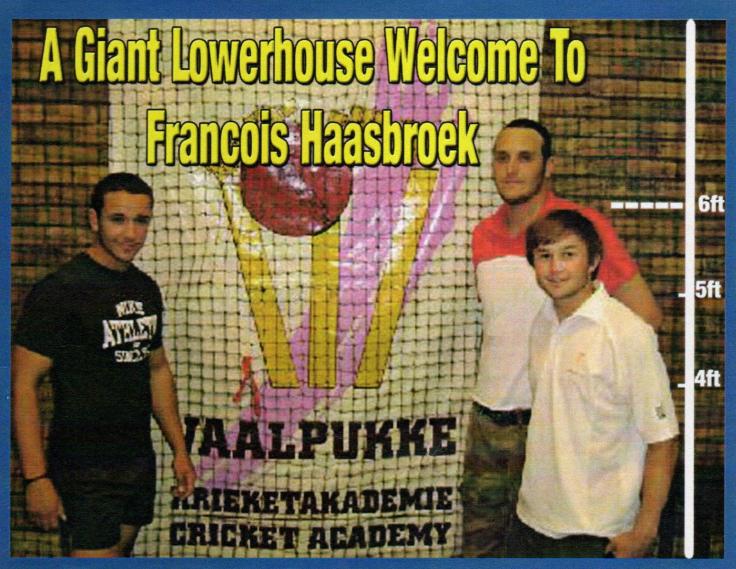


Lowerhouse v Nelson





## Everywhere we go...







# THE TEAMS WILLS FUTURES

### **LOWERHOUSE**

Cottam Russell **Bailey F Beneduce** Bleazard Finch Martin J Martin P Walker Whitehead Haasbroek

### **NELSON**

**Bradley** Meade Crotty Hussain **Thompson** Lord

Lemon SR

Lemon SM

Nazir

Halstead

**Professional** 

Bacup 2XI 137- all out

LHCC 2 XI 138-6

Scott Hope 4-23 Kieran Tighe 3-15

John Waite 29\* Dec Bailey 28 Phil Haggerty 25 Scott Hope 21 Lewis Marsden 21

Veteran John Waite and youngster Dec Bailey saw the side home after 4 quick LBW decisions threatened to turn the game.

#### SYCAMORE FARM SPONSORED JUNIOR RESULTS

LHCC U17 90-4

Burnley U17 82-4

Jonny Whitehead 37 Max Humberstone 19 Sam Ryding 14 Oli Bayliff 11\*

A slightly sluggish innings from the LHCC lads saw the game in the balance at half time. A very tight bowling and fielding performance and the departure of the dangerous Gus Whitehead for 49 brought victory.

LHCC U11 (Cup) 252 - 4

Longridge 205-6

Joe Halstead 19 \* Ross Birchall 16\*

Josh Waddington 3-2

The team progresses to round 2 and will play either Todmorden or Darwen

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## LETTERS FROM A 'LIFER'



By Life-Long 'house' Fan Paul Hargreaves

#### Lowerhouse v Nelson

Lancashire League 1976

Liverpool Road, Lowerhouse on 22nd May 1976 (34-

over match)

Nelson won the toss and decided to field

Lowerhouse won by 34 runs

Lowerhouse 5 (Bowling 1); Nelson 1 (Bowling 1)

Lowerhouse in	nings	Runs Balls Mins 4s 6s
P Atkinson	c Hartley b Chapple	6
+BJ Higgin	b Chapple	24
C Milburn (Pro)	c Reeves b Chapple	12
S Gee	c Chapple b Calderbank	13
R Haworth	c Haigh b Calderbank	20
R Stevenson	c Roberts b Calderbank	9
T Jones	b Chapple	8
A Holden	b Chapple	4
N Hodgson	b Chapple	2
P Wade	b Calderbank	5
T Boardwell	not out	O THE STATE OF THE
Extras	(4 b, 1 lb, 1 w)	6
Total	(all out, 32.3 overs)	109
Fall of wickets: <		
1-22, 2-33, 3-56	6, 4-60, 5-73, 6-87, 7-99, 8	-104, 9-107, 10-109 (32.3 ov)
Nelson bowling	Overs Mdns Runs Wkts	Wides No-Ralls

Gibson 16 38 Chapple 12.3 1 Calderbank

Venue

Toss

Result

Points

Balls per over

Nelson innings		Runs	Balls	Mins	45	6s
DR Reeves	lbw b Jones	17				

Absar Khan c Gee b Holden CJ Hartley b Holden 0 HS Gibson (Pro) c Gee b Jones 8 MH Chapple c Holden b Boardwell 16 P Sparks c Higgin b Boardwell 1 F Taylor c Gee b Jones 13 KW Bythell b Jones 1 A Roberts c Wade b Gee 3 P Calderbank not out +A Haigh c Stevenson b Gee Extras (2 lb, 2 nb) Total (all out, 30.6 overs)

Fall of wickets:</

1-10, 2-10, 3-27, 4-43, 5-50, 6-50, 7-51, 8-70, 9-71, 10-75 (30.6 ov)

#### Lowerhouse bowling Overs Mdns Runs Wkts Wides No-Balls

Holden	9	2	21	2	-	L 12/-
Milburn	4	0	14	0	-	-
Jones	11	3	19	4	-	- 1
Boardwell	3	1	7	2	-	-
Gee	3.6	0	10	2		-

The news in the Britain in 1982 was dominated by the Argentine invasion of the Falkland Islands and the 'Iron Lady's' response to it. Football fans of that era will remember Italy winning the World Cup, after overcoming what looked like an unstoppable Brazilian side on the way. For those sad people who thought the T.V. soap 'Dallas' was real life, 1982 saw the end of patriarch Jock Ewing in an air crash. Real life? Fiddlesticks, it wasn't as if it was Corrie you know. 1982 was a good year for the birth of elite footballers. Kaka, Essien, Arteta and Petr Cech all came into the world. So did Billie Piper and that great cyclist Alberto Contador. The cricketer Mohammed Asif was born in '82. Bet you didn't know that!

An old actor departed the stage, in Henry Fonda, as did a young one, John Belushi. Other deaths were R.A.F. hero Douglas Bader and French mime artist Jacques Tati.

To my own tastes 1982 wasn't a vintage year at the top of the pop charts. Bucks Fizz and The Jam both had 2 No 1's. Survivor had 'Eye of a Tiger' and Captain Sensible reprised 'Happy Talk' from 'South Pacific'.

In the Lancashire League of 1982, Evan Gray was in his only season at Lowerhouse and Neal Radford, his third Lancs League season, but his sole one with Nelson C.C.

NEAL RADFORD was born in Luanshya, Northern Rhodesia (now Zambia) in 1957. He was brought up in apartheid South Africa and travelled to England to improve his cricketing chances. He joined Lancashire but played mostly Second Eleven cricket as well as League proing engagements. (He played for Bacup C.C. in '79 and '80) At first class level his career seemed to be going nowhere until a remarkable transformation when he joined Worcestershire C.C.C. in 1985. He took 101 wickets and became a Wisden Cricketer of the Year in his first year in the West Midlands. He had taken just 6 short of the 1000 mark when he left for Herefordshire and Minor Counties cricket. Radford played in just 3 Tests after qualifying for England. His brisk fast-medium bowling was too bland on Test pitches. In 1986 his 2 appearances yielded figures of 3-219. A year later in Auckland, he was in the last chance saloon, and 1-132 spelled the death knell for Radford's Test career. He was a fine 1-day player and his figures of 7-19, in the NatWest versus Bedfordshire, are still a Worcs County record. Radford was a handy rather than a cultured batsman. He scored 8 first class 50's with 76 not out his highest total. Neal Radford's brothers Glen and Wayne both played at first class level in South Africa.

EVAN GRAY was born in Wellington in 1954. He wasn't particularly well known when signing for the 'House in 1982. He soon showed us, though, that he wasn't out of place following that fine pro Jimmy Amarnath. This was one of Lowerhouse's finest eras for pros. Azad, Dodemaide and Elahi were also successful for the Club. It was the year after when Gray made his Test debut at Lord's. He went on to play 10 Tests and 10 O.D.I.'S, finishing his Test career at Bangalore in 1988. Evan Grav was a fine first class player taking 444 wickets at 28, with his orthodox slow left-arm, and scoring 6 hundreds as a right-handed batter. In truth, though, he just didn't cut it at Test level. 17 wickets at 52 and 248 runs with a solitary fifty, were a let down. He later did some umpiring work and still follows 'House's fortunes via the internet.

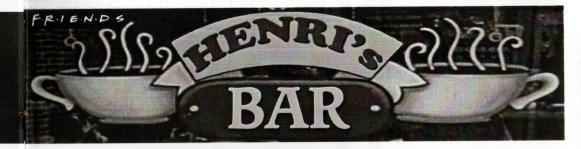
The Lancashire League season of 1982 will always be remembered bittersweetly in our part of Burnley even as a what might have been moment, unaccustomed as we were to challenging for a League Championship. In the event 'House fell just short and lost out by a single point to Rawtenstall. If only the final match (against Rawtenstall) had of been a genuine showdown. Lowerhouse won the game but the chasm of that single point was painful. Nelson finished sixth in '82.

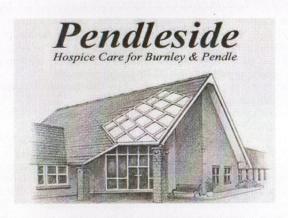
Neal Radford took 94 wickets at 13 and scored 407 runs for the Seedhill club. Evan Gray scored 547 runs and his 69 wickets at 11 topped the bowling averages. He took a hat-trick in his first home game versus Hassy.

Many thought then and in retrospect, that Gray was under-used as a bowler. Indeed he bowled 116 overs less than title rivals Rocky's talisman, Franklin Stephenson, whose 99 wickets were crucial. Lowerhouse usually opened the bowling with skipper Holden and Roger Bromley, with that fine player Graham Bushell, often first change. We'll never know if an earlier introduction of Gray would have made that vital difference but it was only one point!

Both these players were fine first class players who failed to shine at the highest level. Lancashire League crowds from that era, though, will testify to both their ability and competitiveness.

## NEWS





## Pendleside Hospice Day

All gate money from today is to be donated to Pendleside Hospice. There is also live entertainment post game and other fund raising.

## Drinks Menu

### 1. WKD In A Minute

Everytime you hear Charlie sing this classic line simply rush to the bar & quickly order your next ice cool wicked - simples!

### 2. Six In A Minute

Everytime you hear Charlie sing this classic line simply rush to the bar & quickly choose one of our six classic beers - Go on beer devil.

## 3. Wine Not Give It A Go

Try one of our chilled 'HOUSE' wines from places that are loads n loads of miles away beyond pronunciation - You won't believe how much better off you'll feel in your pocket.

## 4. W.A.G 'n' Wheel

All sit round in a circle on our brand new sumptuous leather sofa's and discuss how wonderful your fella is while you sip the cocktail of your choice at a strike rate of 1 every 20 balls.

## 5. On Your March

Try to beat Henri to the top and back after a full beer deal (No Stuarts allowed) - Get Set Go!

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