



# RAMSBOTTOM CRICKET CLUB

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## NEWS LETTER

- Ramsbottom Cricket Club welcomes Lowerhouse and their supporters for todays game which sees Lowerhouse the current runaway League Leaders seeking their 6th successive 5 point maximum haul .
- Chris Harris "comfortably" made his first appearance of the season last Sunday arriving 2mins and 21 seconds before the first ball was bowled , but he did not let the supporters down as will be revealed later in the news letter .
- Well done to Mark Crossley for Chauffeuring Chris and Linda from Gatwick to the ground , arriving in the nick of time despite being held up on the motorway .
- As Chris is now back for the rest of the season Ramsbottom C.C. extends a special vote of thanks to Peter Sleep for his excellent contributions over the last few weeks
- Thanks to todays Danisco Suite Match Sponsor Mr. RONNIE GREAVES.
- Thanks to todays Match Ball Sponsor BLACK CLAWSON
- The teams for today are as follows :
- **RAMSBOTTOM**
- I.BELL , B.DACK , S.DEARDEN , G.DYSON , S.HALL , C.HALL , A.HAWORTH , G.MORETON , N.RILEY , J.SIMPSON( Captain/W.Keeper ) , C.HARRIS (Pro) .
- **LOWERHOUSE**
- C.BLEAZARD , S.HEATON , B.HIGGIN(W.Keeper) , J.HOPE , M.HOPE , N.HOPE , G.MOORHOUSE(Captain),J.PROCTOR,P.STANSFIELD,T.WHITTLE,S.FLEGLER (Pro)
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### • WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

- **TEAM NEWS** Agony and Ecstasy this weekend for the 1st eleven with on Saturday a seemingly winning position against todays visitors tossed way and a Great Cup Result against Rishton . In the Cup draw made after the game we will play Rawtenstall away on Sat 1st June , this gives Ramsbottom a chance to avenge last years defeat with a place in the Semi Final as the winners prize .
- **SAT**
- **RAMSBOTTOM 160 A.O. LOWERHOUSE 162 - 8**
- Ramsbottom batted first , against League Leaders Lowerhouse , on a damp wicket that got better as the day wore on . After losing a couple of early wickets Peter Sleep and Steve Dearden played well , with Dearden in particular playing some very attractive strokes . They had taken the score onto 110 - 2 before Dearden (53) perishing to a very good catch from their pro Flegler . After Peter



Sleeps dismissal for a fine (62) , Ramsbottom gifted Lowerhouse the bonus point with some of the later batsmen looking like they were auditioning for a run out part in a "Kamikaze" cricket film . A total of 160 still looked too much for Lowerhouse as fine bowling by Nick Riley and Peter Sleep reduced the home side to 73 - 6 . However things took a turn for the worse as Lowerhouse got stuck into the Ramsbottom attack inducing a series of errors in the field , and before you could say Jack Robinson , Lowerhouse had snatched victory from the jaws of defeat overtaking the Ramsbottom score in the last over .

• **SUN RAMSBOTTOM 169 - 9 . RISHTON 93 A.O. GATE REC. £ 784 .**

• Ramsbottom elected to bat , any thoughts of a hangover from the previous day were kicked into touch by a fine all round batting display against the Worlds No1 pace bowler Alan Donald . Ramsbottom were obviously buoyed by the "Timely" return of the Kiwi Pro Chris Harris who top scored with 27, with fine support from Garry Dyson 24 , and Nick Riley 24 , backed by useful contributions from all the other amateurs . 169 - 9 always looked too much for a Rishton side lacking in batting confidence , Riley and Harris tore the heart out of the Rishton batting and it was fitting that Pickles was rewarded with a collection for his 5 - 38 return . Chris Harris with 3 - 29 off 21 overs was testimony to the Pros unique level of fitness and completely vindicated the decision to play him .

• **2nd X1 SAT : LOWERHOUSE 162A.O. RAMSBOTTOM 97 A.O .**

• A badly weakened team was easily beaten by the visitors , J.Haslam bowled well for a 5 - 50 return to help secure a bonus point and M.Dentith showed a "flash" of his old form scoring 43 .

• **SUN : RAMSBOTTOM 129A.O. RISHTON 131 - 1 .**

• The Cup holders were swept aside by last years beaten finalists and current league leaders . M.Dentith scored another good 40 , and the only other consolation was the return from injury of P.Ferriday and G.Radcliffe , both came through the game with no apparent reaction .

• Junior Cricket last weeks results were on the whole successful with wins for the U11s(v Rawtenstall) , U13s , U15s ,(both v Lowerhouse ) with a special mention for the U15s as this was their first win for over 2 years keep it up , the U18s lost to Lowerhouse .

• Valley Century Club Draw

The above draw raised £10,500 , for the Cricket Club last season , and as everyone can see the results are self evident . There are further plans afoot to up grade the facilities at the Club , this of course requires money . New members are urgently required, why not see John Griffiths he will sort out your new membership its only a £1 a week with daily prizes of upto £250 .

Subscriptions Fred Rothwell is still unwell , so for the time being Chris Wood will take your members subscriptions at the secretaries office on home match days .

• Championship/Ronnie Greaves Suite and Danisco Suite : both these rooms are available for hire £40 members,£55 non members,see Harry Williams for further details .

• General Sponsorship

This is handled by Des Jones , are you interested in Sponsoring a Sign , Match Ball or a Match ? Contact Des on match days .

• As usual if anyone wants something printing see me on match days , or call me on 0161 767 2259 , 9 - 5 , Mon to Fri ,

• Thanks Greg Lomax