

- Mitchell:

Swindon Advertiser:

May 7 H. Mitchell batted at 8 and took 5 wickets for Swindon C.C. but clearly an amateur.

Sheppard, the new pro, took up the attack when Mitchell retired hurt.

July 2 (Match 21) Mitchell, a slow left-arm bowler, with a peculiar delivery, a flick of the wrist prior to the ball leaving the hand causing an impression of doubt to gain ground.

Aug 27 Mitchell bowled for Swindon.

Devizer & Wiltshire Gazette:

July 1 Mitchell, formerly professional for the Swindon club, now on the Marlborough College staff.

July 22 He played for Wilts Club & Ground v Marlborough College.

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Match Scores:

Match 21 - Swindon Advertiser (SA)

July 2 Hitch had to resort to 'Googlies' which proved expensive due to the state of the pitch

Match 67 - North Wilts Guardian (NWG)

Aug 6 Wilts (1) Cummins 13 overs, Harrison 12 overs

Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette (DWG)

Aug 5 Dorset won the toss

Wilts (1) R.W. Awdry and Perkins put on 61

Nicholson retired hurt when second ball he received split a finger

Smith c Budge

Dorset (1) Harrison ct C. Awdry

Dorset (2) Arundell ct Grant b Mitchell

W.H. Harrison ct and b Newman

Wilts (2) Awdry 7\*, Whitehead 3\*

Match 74 - NWG 13/8 agrees scores as does SA 6/8

DWG 12/8 Bucks (2) Shaw ct Awdry

Match 80 - Sportsman (S) 10/8 Newman 22 (bad print)

SA 13/8 Berks (1) Brougham ct Awdry

Berks (2) Stevens 53

Wilts (1) Sandford -Baines b Ferryman

Newman 21

Mitchell 12\*

Total 240

DWG 12/8 Wilts (1) Sandford ct Baines

Newman 21

Mitchell 31\*

Match 79 - S Berks (1) Mitchell 24 overs

NWG 17/8 agrees scores

DWG 12/8 Wilts (1) 6 Miller, 7 Perkins (unlikely given o/n score)

Awdry and Perkins put on 111

127 runs added on second day in just over an hour

Berks (2) Metcalfe ct and b Grant

Berks (1) Cricket (p359) Miller 25 runs which would make the bowling runs tally but has other problems - see averages

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- Match 67 delete all ?s  
 74 delete ?
- 79 Berks (1) Miller 25 runs not 24  
 Mitchell 24 overs  
 (2) Metcalfe b Grant  
 Wilts (1) 6 Perkins, 7 Miller  
 Whichelow 8 overs seems more likely than 3
- 80 Berks (1) Brougham c - Awdry  
 (2) Stevens 53  
 Wilts (1) Sandford c Baines
- 86 Wilts (1) Nicholson c Wright  
 Bucks (1) Mitchell 8 mdns  
 (2) Wright 1
- 98 Wilts (1) Blacklidge 1 mdn (Cricket) though unlikely  
 (2) ? 1-4 see my earlier note
- 99 Dorset (1) Mitchell 32 overs  
 (2) Cummins 13, Gordon 0  
 Wilts (1) Batting order as written
- 102 Wilts (1) Smith c Hatt  
 Batting order as written  
 (2) Bowling order as written  
 Lincs (1) Newman 18 overs, 7 mdns  
 (2) Mitchell 6 mdns
- 103 Wilts (2) 1 Nicholson, 2 Awdry  
 Bowling order as written  
 Glam (1) Smith 15 overs unless Glamorgan scorebook says otherwise

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- Match 86 - DWG 19/8 Wilts (1) Nicholson ct Wright  
 at 128 there was a bowling change but not necessarily a wicket  
 Bucks (1) Mitchell 1 mdn  
 Bucks (2) Wright 1  
 SA 13/8 Bucks (1) Wright b Newman  
 Bucks (2) Wright 0 and total adds to 131  
 S Bucks (1) Mitchell 8 mdns
- Match 98 - SA 20/8 Wilts (1) Nicholson 3 4s  
 Blackledge 0 mdns, 10 runs  
 Wilts (2) If No1 made 6 and No2 made 15 1-4 must be wrong  
 Platt 24 overs
- Match 99 - SA 27/8 Dorset (2) Cummins 13, Gordon 0  
 Wilts (1) Batting order as written, 6 Miller etc.  
 DWG 26/8 Dorset (1) Mitchell 32 overs also S 19, 21/8  
 Dorset (2) Cummins 13, Gordon 0  
 Wilts (1) 6 Miller etc.  
 Webb 20.3 overs
- Match 102 - S 26,27/8 Lincs (1) Newman 13 overs, 7 mdns  
 Lincs (2) Mitchell 6 mdns  
 NWG 27/8 Lincs (1) Newman 13-7-2<sup>2</sup>-6 (?misprint for 18 overs)  
 SA 27/8 Wilts (1) Smith ct Hatt  
 Batting order 7 Nicholson, 8 Miller, 9 Davenport  
 DWG 26/8 Wilts (1) Smith ct Hatt  
 Batting order 7 Miller etc  
 DWG 2/9 Wilts (2) 4-113  
 Bowling order 5 Worman, 6 Brook  
 Lincs (1) 1 Mitchell  
 2 Newman 18.1 overs, 7 mdns
- Match 103 - S 31/8, 1,2/9 ~~Umpires Stevenson~~  
 Glam (1) Smith 16 overs  
 NWG 3/9 Close day 1 Wilts(2) 51-1  
 Wilts (2) Nicholson bowled 3rd ball of innings  
 so he must have batted No.1  
 Glam (1) Smith 16 overs  
 Wilts (2) Bowling order as written  
 DWG 2/9 Close day 1 Wilts(2) 52-1  
 Glam (1) Smith 16 overs

ting Averages- -

The M.C.C. match has to be added in to give the averages as printed in Wisden. When the M.C.C. match is added to the latest JMS scores the following variations are to be found:

	<u>Wisden</u>	<u>JMS</u>
Smith - highest score	52*	32*
total runs	126	172
Taunton - total runs	244	246
Mitchell - total runs	60	67
C.S.Awdry - total runs	438	441
Luce - total runs	38	25
number of innings	3	1

Possible changes to JMS scores:

Match 67 C.S.Awdry +1, Whitehead -1  
 80 A.Newman +19 or +19  
 and Mitchell -19 no change

Comment:

Match 67 To change would make C.S.Awdry 4 more than Wisden and invalidate Wisden's figure for Whitehead  
 80 A.Newman's figures agree with Wisden so no advantage is gained by making a change. To reduce Mitchell's score would invalidate the highest score in Wisden

I would accept that the Wisden averages are incorrect and so no changes should be made to the JMS scores.

line averages -

Averages for A.Newman, Mitchell, Smith, Grant and E.Newman based on JMS scores plus the M.C.C. match do not agree with Wisden so I do not feel that it is essential to refer to Wisden to arbitrate on matters in doubt.

For this reason I would support changing in Match 79 Miller's runs in the first innings from 24 to 25 to make the totals agree.

As for the rest of the possible variations I am in doubt as to some of your changes as I would regard 'Cricket' as a more reliable source, as the scores must have come from one of the counties involved, than local newspapers. So I would suggest:

Match 21 Surrey (1) Mitchell 11.3 overs  
 (2) Mitchell 13.3 overs, Newman 13 overs  
 using Sportsman figures rather than Cricket as the coincidence is too great

? Two Hodges -

C.F.Hodges played for Dorchester in one match - Dorset County Chronicle (DCC) - He batted at Nos 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 but never took a wicket.

F.W.Hodges played one match for Dorchester (DCC) batted at No 8

W.F.Hodges played 3 matches for Dorchester (DCC) batted No 10 but did not take a wicket

Twice C.F. and W.F. were in the same match

F.Hodges played one match for Dorchester (DCC)

Southern Times also covers some of the Dorchester matches and records C.F.H. , F.H., F.W.H. and W.F.H.

On the assumption that F.H., F.W.H. and W.F.H. are the same person and that C.F.Hodges is the named player in three of the four Hodges in Dorset matches and that 'Hodges' did not bowl I feel happy that C.F.Hodges played on each occasion.

The Wisden averages are not helpful as they give:

C.F.Hodges 5 inns 1 n.o. 52 most 109 runs  
 whereas 'Your' scores would give 6 inns 1 n.o. 52 most 127 runs  
 ? Wisden overlooks 2nd inns in Match 54.

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Match Scores:

Match 54 Dorset (1) prefer 9 Hodges, 10 Medhurst  
 Dorset (2) Abel 1? Delete ?

57 Dorset (2) Arundell not b Miller as in paper. Prefer c and b Mitchell unless there is good evidence for c Grant  
 Wilts team E.S.Grant (Wisden agrees)

99 If Cummins scored 13 in Dorset (2) then 148 for championship =+ 3 v M.C.C. to give 151 which agrees with Wisden/Cricket  
 Gordon 0 273 + 4  
 to Give 277 which does not agree

I would accept 13 and 0 as correct.

1909 = Surrey 2nd XI

- Match 17 - Sy (1) delete ? as Vickerstaff took 4 wickets  
Blacklidge overs and mdns cannot be checked against published averages
- Match 21 - Sy debut C.T.A. Wilkinson  
Wilts (1) 5-76 (Sportsman)
- Match 31 - Bucks (2) 7-9, 8-12 (Surrey Mirror & County Post)
- Match 48 - Shoosmith must have scored 1 to agree total so delete ?  
Berks (2) is there evidence that Jackson might have bowled? - delete ?  
Sy (1) Wicklow should be Whicklow and he could not have bowled  
14 overs 0 mdns for 5 runs - delete ?
- Match 54 - Sy team - Abel known as Abel R jnr  
Sy order is 10 Jackson, 11 Freeman - is there any evidence for reverse  
order?
- Match 61 - Sy (1) why ? for st E.F. Rowe as he was the regular keeper  
Berks (2) Garnett must have scored 29 for score to add correctly
- Match 78 - ? the Guildford ground is the present one  
Dorset (2) 4-55 (Sportsman)  
Sy (2) why (2) Sewell delete  
Dorset (1) Cricket confirms Harrison 6 overs
- Match 98 - Sy (2) is there evidence that Platt batted 3, he could not have been 4  
but he might have opened  
Wilts(1) Blacklidge had to concede 10 runs to make runs tally so ignore  
Sportsman, Cricket gives 2 - 1 - 10 - 1 !  
Wilts (2) is there evidence for Platt 23 overs  
No 1 made 6 and No 2 made 15 so can 1-4 be correct?