

## Lawton Smith

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**From:** Roy New [berksricksec@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** 01 January 2015 19:44  
**To:** Lawton Smith  
**Subject:** Re: Ground Query

Happy New Year to you as well

The correct address is County Ground, Kensington Road, Reading.

If my memory serves me correctly both were part of the Jesse Estate and were given to Berkshire CCC (Kensington Rd) and Reading FC (Elm Park). I believe that Berkshire CCC got into financial difficulty between the two world wars and Kensington Rd was sold to the Reading Biscuit Factory i.e. Huntley & Palmers. I shall have to try and find chapter and verse on what happened and when I do I will let you know.

Best Wishes

Roy

On 1 Jan 2015, at 16:27, Lawton Smith <[lawtonsmith@supanet.com](mailto:lawtonsmith@supanet.com)> wrote:

Hi Roy,

Happy New Year!

I wonder if you resolve a query over the address of the ground in Reading used for Berkshire matches. In 1908 we recorded it as

**County Ground, Kensington Road, Reading**

Whereas in 1909 it is currently shown as

**The Amateur Sports Club Ground, Elm Park, Kensington Road, Reading**

Are these one and the same ground? If so, what address do you think we should show in our booklets? If there were different grounds used for county matches in Reading during this period could you please identify them.

Many thanks

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**From:** Roy New [berkscricksec@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** 07 December 2014 20:26  
**To:** Lawton Smith  
**Subject:** Re: 1909 Biography

Harry Barrett - Berkshire CCC 1897 - 1909

Played 70 matches for Berkshire scoring 1748 runs with a highest score of 74 against Dorset at Reading in 1906. He took 125 wkts at an average of 19.72, his best performance was 9-42 against Wiltshire at Trowbridge in 1898. He also held 40 catches. Harry Barrett played for Reading cricket club and Berkshire Regimental Depot as a professional. He later became a First Class and MCCA umpire. He was born on 21 Sept 1873 in Wokingham but his date and place of death are unknown.

Roy

Ref match 43 M Barney should be F J Barmby.

Roy

On 21 Nov 2014, at 12:16, Lawton Smith <[lawtonsmith@supanet.com](mailto:lawtonsmith@supanet.com)> wrote:

Hi Roy,

Tony Webb has suggested that we include a biography of Harry Barrett (Berkshire 1897-1909) in the 1909 book. Are you able to prepare something? It would need to be done by Christmas if possible.

Also a quick query on match 43 Bucks v Berks – the Berkshire team includes M Barney. We wonder if this should be FJ Barmby?

Thanks  
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**From:** Roy New [berkscricksec@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** 01 June 2013 11:54  
**To:** Peter Griffiths; Julian Lawton- Smith  
**Subject:** 1909 Berkshire Scores

### Match No 43

Confirm Williams scored 27  
Confirm Hawkesworth scored 0  
Confirm Rowe scored 9

### Match No 48

Confirm Shoosmith scored 1  
Edwards & Jackson did not bowl in Berks 2nd innings  
Confirm Whichelow bowled 1.4 overs

### Match No 58

Nothing to add

### Match No 61

Confirm Jewell st FE Rowe b Garnett  
Rdg Chronicle shows Page- Roberts bowled 8 overs  
Confirm Edwards bowled 5 mdns  
Confirm Garnett scored 29  
Confirm Harrison bowled 9 overs & 3 mdns  
Confirm Blacklidge bowled 1 mdn  
Confirm Abel conceded 22 runs  
Confirm Jackson bowled 18.2 overs

### Match No 68

Confirm Hodges scored 32  
Confirm Simpson bowled 3 maidens  
Confirm Page-Roberts conceded 23 runs  
Paper does not state which Rowe held 2 catches or could it have been 1 & 1  
ND Wells st Williams b Sewell  
Nepean ct Gordon  
Shoosmith b Gordon  
Nepean batted at 7  
Bowling order Gordon 4th & Cummins 5th  
Garnett scored 4 in Berks 2nd inn  
Strange scored 33  
Shoosmith scored 8  
Wells ct Hodges  
Strange st Davies  
Sewell conceded 64 runs not Harrison

### Match No 79

Mitchell bowled 21 overs according to Berkshire Chronicle  
Metcalf b Grant  
Perkins batted at 6 & Miller 7

Whichelow bowled 8 overs

Match No 80

SH Stevens scored 53

Sandford ct Baines b Ferryman

Newman scored 2 not 21

Match No 91

Hunt conceded 69 runs

Ferryman bowled 23 overs

Boddy bowled 12 overs

Shoosmith scored 50 not 59

Nepean ct West b Boddy

Wright conceded 40 not 49

Boddy conceded 63 not 68

Roy