

NORTON v. SHEERNESS TECHNICAL INST.

Played at Norton Park on Saturday, and resulted in a drawn game. Score:—

Norton	
P. Nye, c Clark, b Jarrett	58
C. Dixon, c Farrington, b Buttershaw	1
F. Clapp, st Kidd, b Yates	14
J. Gambell, c Clark, b Jarrett	117
R. Hodges, c Farrington, b Buttershaw	17
A. Gambell, st Kidd, b Jarrett	14
J. R. Major, not out	0
Extras	11

* (6 wkts.) 232

* Innings declared closed

J. Barnard, C. Holliday, G. Gaiger, and P. Snoad did not bat.

Jarrett 3—73, Buttershaw 2—66, Yates 1—35.

Sheerness Technical Institute	
G. Jarrett, c and b Barnard	19
J. Clark, b Dixon	8
S. Yates, c Barnard, b Nye	20
K. Lee, c and b Hodges	21
W. Lander, c Snoad, b Nye	2
J. Buttershaw, b Nye	3
K. Buttershaw, b Hodges	0
S. Kidd, not out	0
E. Farrington, st Holliday, b Hodges	7
Extras	7

(8 wkts.) 80

H. Lee and L. Willis did not bat.

Nye 3—3, Hodges 3—8, Dixon 1—12, Barnard 1—13.

HARTLIP v. OLD ANCHORIANS

Played at Hartlip on Saturday, and resulted in a win for Hartlip by 40 runs. Score:—

Hartlip	
R. Pepper, c Davenport, b Ford	4
W. Long, c Welch, b Beck	0
C. Harriss, b Davenport	39
L. Castle, b Ford	3
E. Pepper, c Fowler, b Ford	13
A. Miles, c Parkhouse, b Ford	0
R. Friar, b Ford	2
A. Harriss, c Fowler, b Ford	7
K. Sidey, run out	8
E. Tress, not out	1
G. Whitehead, c Ford, b Chambers	3
Extras	3

Old Anchorians	
Harrington, lbw., b E. Pepper	8
Valhs, lbw., b E. Pepper	2
Cross, c Friar, b E. Pepper	9
Chambers, c Friar, b E. Pepper	2
Fowler, b E. Pepper	6
Davenport, c A. Miles, b E. Pepper	4
Ford, lbw., b Long	0
Welch, not out	2
Parkhouse, b E. Pepper	0
Waime, b Castle	1
Beck, b Castle	5
Extras	4

E. Pepper 7—28.

STOCKBURY C.C. v. SMITHERY SPORTS (GHATHAM)

Played at Stockbury on Saturday and resulted in a win for the home team by 32 runs. Score:—

Stockbury	
J. Clark, b Hayman	31
A. Dunk, run out	0
M. Filmer, b Jenner	0
P. Clark, b Jenner	0
P. Austin, c Hayman, b Hammond	9
A. Sedge, run out	15
A. Ponton, c Goddard, b Anderson	3
E. Ledger, c W. Clark, b Hammond	10
E. Whitehead, c Anderson, b Goddard	10
W. Wilkins, not out	4
Extras	15

Smithery Sports	
G. Clark, c P. Clark, b Filmer	2
E. Anderson, lbw., b P. Clark	13
T. Hammond, b P. Clark	2
W. Adley, c Ponton, b P. Clark	20
J. Goddard, b P. Clark	1
W. Jenner, b Filmer	1
W. Clark, b Filmer	17
T. Hayman, b Filmer	3
W. Ward, b Filmer	8
R. Crowhurst, not out	2
W. Bilton, b Filmer	0
Extras	6

Filmer 6—39, P. Clark 4—29.

RAINHAM v. TUNSTALL

Played at Rainham on Saturday, and resulted in a win for the home team by five wickets. Score:—

Tunstall	
A. Highton, b Russell	1
M. Prentice, b Russell	6
W. Taylor, run out	1

D. Thompson, b Rough	21
W. Goodwin, run out	0
E. Colgate, c and b Clarke	8
G. Hogwood, c Nash, b Russell	1
C. Craven, b Rough	0
H. Wood, b Rough	10
L. Nicholls, c Le Feaver, b Russell	6
J. Smith, not out	0
Extras	5

Russell 4—25, Clarke 1—18, Rough 3—11.

Rainham	
W. Russell, c and b Colgate	33
G. Clarke, b Taylor	13
H. Temple, c Nicholls, b Taylor	0
R. Adie, b Thompson	43
G. Le Feaver, not out	33
J. Rough, b Thompson	0
H. Strand, not out	2
Extras	8

(5 wkts.) 132

L. Lukehurst, S. Newell, B. Taylor, and A. Nash did not bat.

Thompson 2—23, Taylor 2—30, Colgate 1—32.

WEST FARLEIGH v. SITTINGBOURNE WEDNESDAY

Played at West Farleigh on Wednesday, and resulted in a win for Sittingbourne Wednesday by 19 runs. Score:—

West Farleigh	
A. Checksfield, b Highton	30
A. Stanley, c Rogers, b Highton	13
R. Fermor, b Highton	2
S. Vidler, b Hogwood	3
W. Stevens, c Bruce, b Highton	6
A. Proctor, c Purchase, b Highton	0
D. Parker, b Hogwood	1
F. Day, run out	4
R. Day, c Purchase, b Hogwood	1
R. Chaceaman, b Highton	0
J. Griesby, not out	4
Extras	4

Highton 6—15, Hogwood 3—27.

Sittingbourne Wednesday	
H. Purchase, c P. Day, b Vidler	2
R. Rogers, c R. Day, b Vidler	4
A. Highton, c Griesby, b Vidler	21
G. Hogwood, b Fermor	13
A. Gilham, c R. Day, b Fermor	0
H. Fermor, b Vidler	25
F. George, st Griesby, b Checksfield	10
R. Bruce, b Stanley	1
G. Goldsmith, c Proctor, b Vidler	0
F. Stedman, not out	6
G. Taylor, c and b Stanley	0
Extras	5

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Vidler 5—35, Fermor 2—21, Checksfield 1—26, Stanley 2—0.

CRICKET FIXTURES

MATCHES FOR TO-DAY (SATURDAY)

- Kent v. Glamorganshire, at Neath, Gore Court v. Ashford.
- Badlesmere v. Gore Court "A."
- Lloyd's v. Whitstable and Tankerton.
- Lloyd's 2nd XI v. A.S.E. Club (Gillingham).
- Lloyd's 3rd XI v. Melway Paper Sacks.
- Kemsley v. Minster (Sheppy).
- Rochester Mathematical School v. Borden Grammar School.
- Borden Grammar School 2nd XI v. Rochester Mathematical School 2nd XI.
- Rochester Mathematical School Under 14 XI v. Borden Grammar School Under 14 XI.
- Charles Arkoll v. Bapchild.
- Sharsted v. Lorenzen and Ospringe.
- Victoria Club, Sheerness v. Milton.
- Norton v. Throwley.
- Old Anchorians v. Hartlip.
- R.N. Hospital v. Newington.
- Sittingbourne Gas Co. v. Gravesend Gas Co.
- Sheerness East v. Milsted and Kingsdown.
- Borden v. Iwade.
- Faversham Albion v. Lower Halstow.
- Lower Halstow 2nd XI v. Wraight's Sports.
- Upchurch "A" v. Godden's XI.
- Gunnery Shop v. Upchurch "B."

Tuesday

R.A.F. Detlag v. Swale Division, K.C.C.

Wednesday

Kent v. Somersetshire, at Path.

Primrose and Len v. Sittingbourne Wednesday.

Lloyd's Wednesday v. Maidstone Wednesday.

Milton v. Kent Farm Institute.

OLD BORDENIANS v. FAVERSHAM ALLIANCE

Played at Faversham Recreation Ground on Tuesday, and resulted in a win for Old Bordenians by 60 runs. Score:—

Old Bordenians	
R. H. Jarrett, c Carter, b Black	11
E. L. Bush, lbw., b Black	4
W. R. Bush, c Jordan, b Black	12
R. G. Cole, c Jordan, b Strand	31
C. S. Foley, c Carter, b Boulding	2
F. E. Colthup, b Couchman	5
D. J. Williams, c Strand, b Couchman	16
E. J. Bush, b Couchman	3
B. P. Taylor, not out	28
K. C. Foster, run out	11
Extras	4

(9 wkts.) 127

A. Fowler did not bat.

Black 3—37, Boulding 1—37, Couchman 3—30, Strand 1—19.

Faversham Alliance

D. Strand, lbw., b R. Bush	10
S. Jordan, c and b Foley	0
E. O. Moore, b Foley	0
E. Black, b R. Bush	15
E. Couchman, b Foley	1
A. Carter, b Foley	0
P. Boulding, b Foley	0
P. Miles, c J. Bush, b Foley	2
R. Crump, c R. Bush, b Foley	0
G. Kirby, not out	30
W. Grimmett, b Foley	4
Extras	5

Foley 8—23, R. Bush 2—39.

KENT'S BETTER SEASON

BOWLING MORE CONSISTENT THAN BATTING

By L.B.W.

Through the cancelling of the Kent and Middlesex match, which was to have been played at Lords, the Kent season came to an end with the brilliant victory over Lancashire at Dover on August 29.

Here is a list of matches played and the results, which left Kent fifth in the championship table. Last year we were ninth.

RESULTS OF MATCHES

- Played 27: Won 14, Lost 9, Drawn 4.
- v. Essex, at Gillingham.—Kent won by 116 runs.
 - v. Yorkshire, at Leeds.—Kent lost by 101 runs.
 - v. Worcester, at Gillingham.—Kent lost by 83 runs.
 - v. Nottinghamshire, at Trent Bridge.—Kent won by 9 wickets.
 - v. Hampshire, at Southampton.—Kent won by 179 runs.
 - v. Derbyshire, at Burton.—Kent lost by 5 wickets.
 - v. Sussex, at Tonbridge.—Kent won by an innings and 121 runs.
 - v. Glamorgan, at Tonbridge.—Drawn.
 - v. Leicester, at Leicester.—Kent won by 9 wickets.
 - v. Glamorgan, at Neath.—Kent won by 9 wickets.
 - v. Somersetshire, at Bath.—Drawn.
 - v. Nottinghamshire, at Tunbridge Wells.—Kent lost by 13 runs.
 - v. Leicestershire, at Tunbridge Wells.—Kent won by 161 runs.
 - v. Gloucestershire, at Bristol.—Kent lost by an innings and 40 runs.
 - v. Surrey, at The Oval.—Kent won by 7 wickets.
 - v. Somersetshire, at Maidstone.—Kent won by 8 wickets.
 - v. Gloucestershire, at Maidstone.—Kent won by 93 runs.
 - v. Surrey, at Blackheath.—Drawn.
 - v. Derbyshire, at Gravesend.—Kent won by 171 runs.
 - v. Essex, at Chelmsford.—Drawn.
 - v. Hampshire, at Canterbury.—Kent lost by 7 wickets.
 - v. Middlesex, at Canterbury.—Kent lost by an innings and 64 runs.
 - v. Sussex, at Hastings.—Kent won by 208 runs.
 - v. Worcestershire, at Worcester.—Kent won by innings and 109 runs.
 - v. Lancashire, at Manchester.—Kent lost by 4 wickets.
 - v. Yorkshire, at Dover.—Kent lost by innings and 14 runs.
 - v. Lancashire, at Dover.—Kent win by 5 wickets.

Kent averages for all matches:—

BATTING			
	No. of Inns.	Not out	Highest Total Score
Ames	46	6	201
Fagg	49	6	169*
H. H. Valentine	43	1	201
F. G. H. Chalk	43	2	198
Todd	43	5	143
P. G. Foster	38	2	107
Wright	32	7	84*
Spencer	12	1	26
Sunnucks	17	1	54*
W. H. V. Levett	35	9	81*
Watt	32	8	34
Harding	80	4	71
Evans	7	0	22
J. G. W. Davies	7	1	13*
Lewis	4	8	27
T. C. Longfield	6	0	14

Also batted:—C. H. Knott, 1-0-9-9; J. W. Martin, 5-0-20-32, and Dovey 6-3-2*-2.

BOWLING

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Aver.
Wright	534.2	60	2051	131	15.65
Lewis	272.5	53	852	51	16.70
Watt	498	63	1630	76	21.44
Harding	393	37	1652	69	23.94
Todd	619.2	89	2045	84	24.33
J. W. Martin	76.2	9	263	10	26.30
J. G. W. Davies	56.4	7	208	7	29.71
Dovey	91	20	313	10	31.30

Also bowled:—P. G. Foster, 1-0-7-0; F. G. H. Chalk, 3-0-35-0; C. H. Knott, 3-0-23-0; Ames, 23-2-109-3; B. H. Valentine, 6-0-30-0.

CATCHES

W. H. V. Levett 46, Fagg 30, B. H. Valentine and Todd 18 each, Harding 17, Ames 15, P. G. Foster 15, Watt 11, Wright 10, F. G. H. Chalk 9, Spencer 8, Lewis 7, J. G. W. Davies 5, Evans 4, T. C. Longfield 3, Dovey, Sunnucks and J. W. Martin 2 each, and C. H. Knott 1.

CENTURIES

FAGG.—169 not out, 149, 138, 131 and 131 not out.
 AMES.—201, 177, 159 not out, 136 not out, and 108 not out.
 B. H. VALENTINE.—201, 119, 115 and 104.
 F. G. H. CHALK.—198, 124 and 115 not out.
 TODD.—143, 115 not out and 106 not out.
 P. G. FOSTER.—107.

SEVEN SEASONS' AVERAGES

	BATTING						
	1923	'34	'35	'36	'37	'38	'39
Ames	55	60	32	36	53	46	46
B. H. Valentine	36	27	24	25	24	46	36
Todd	34	51	35	26	25	23	27
Fagg	11	32	31	40	—	52	42
C. H. Knott	40	45	21	19	—	26	9
J. G. W. Davies	—	27	15	14	27	15	6
F. G. H. Chalk	—	38	17	27	36	24	30
Sunnucks	—	—	20	14	19	19	15
Spencer	—	—	—	25	14	25	17
Wright	—	—	10	20	10	17	19
Watt	—	—	17	13	17	7	11
W. H. V. Levett	11	15	15	14	11	8	12

BOWLING							
Watt	33	34	44	23	28	24	21
Wright	21	42	36	23	29	21	15
Todd	42	36	23	21	27	27	24
J. G. W. Davies	—	33	29	22	24	24	29
Lewis	66	30	26	23	52	30	16
Harding	—	—	—	24	35	23	—

Generally speaking I can only repeat what I have continually said during the season—that as a whole our bowlers have been more consistent than our batsmen. No really big scores have been amassed against us. In Levett we have had a first-class wicket-keeper and have suffered in no way from the absence of Ames behind the stumps.

In regard to the leading batsmen, we have never known what each would do. One of them might play in a couple of matches and never get into double figures, then he would burst forth with a century, or even two. Absolute inconsistency. But it shows the fascinating uncertainty of cricket.

Now let us look at the individual play. Fagg is one of those extraordinary batsmen who can play with the utmost caution for hours and then suddenly start to drive and cut brilliantly, while he is absolutely deadly on the leg side. He hit up five centuries, but many a time had a bad spell. In fact, in his first nine innings he totalled 98 runs. Then he played one of his centuries, and this was his form throughout the season—inconsistency. But what a fine bat he is when set!

Ames started in a similar way to Fagg. In his first thirteen innings this season he totalled only 245 runs. Then against Glamorgan he made 177. He had other spells of low scoring, followed by a century, but looking at his batting for the whole season, he must be placed as the most reliable of our eleven. No one who saw it will ever forget his wonderful performance at the Oval when he made 136 in 68 minutes and won the £100 annually given to the batsman who makes a century in the quickest time.

Next in the averages is B. H. Valentine, and here again we had splashes of brilliancy interspersed with failures. He is one of those batsmen feared by the opposite side. When once he gets going all bowlers seem powerless, but his great failure is a desire to start scoring a little too quickly, and for that reason he has lost his wicket many a time in the first few overs.

The Kent skipper, F. G. W. Chalk, has the courage to take an independent course quite contrary to the policy of most captains. He has been criticised for putting in Yorkshire at Dover and also neglecting to make Sussex follow-on at Hastings. In one case he was successful, but in the other, at Dover, it was a definite failure.

Chalk is a great personality in the field, always alert and beloved by the whole

team. Like our other batsmen, he had long spells of low scoring, but his three centuries were an exhibition of sparkling cricket. When out to make runs, Chalk, Valentine and Ames are a treat to watch. No other county possesses such a trio.

When young Peter Foster came into the team a good many judges of the game said he was not quite up to first-class form and in the first three matches he lived up to this reputation. In the middle of the season, however, he greatly improved and his 107 against Leicester was a delightful innings. You could not at present call his defence very sound, but he possesses some charming strokes.

Todd has maintained his position as the most valuable all-round man in the eleven. If anything he has been over-bowled and it must be remembered that he is the first to attack against the best batsmen. His batting has naturally suffered, but at times he has heroically stopped a collar and three centuries. A fine record.

The rest of our batsmen have been disappointing. Wright and Harding have not come up to expectations in that part of the game.

Coming to the bowling, we find Wright far ahead of the others. At times he simply slaughtered batsmen. He has increased his pace this year and the quickness with which his break comes in from the leg has upset the best batsmen.

Watt has done well at times with his shorter run and slower deliveries. Harding has improved upon last year and next year, if there is cricket, he will be more deadly. Lewis greatly improved and when Wright was away in the Tests did wonderfully well. It is worth his while to practise batting. The other bowler to mention is J. W. Martin, the Catford amateur fast bowler. Given more practice in county cricket he should improve.

Thus we come to an end of the cricket season of 1939—a tragic end. Let us hope and pray that county cricket will be played again next season.

CLUB AND GROUND

Matches played 12, won 5, lost 2, drawn 3.

	No. of Not Highest Total			
	Inns.	out	Score	Runs
Dovey	5	4	17*	36
Davis	10	0	96	342
Spencer	5	1	46	130
Pocock	10	0	65	258
Horrox	7	0	100	151
Carter	6	0	68	114
Mayer	6	2	16	65
Edrich	8	2	30	86
Evans	7	1	35	83

Also batted:—G. A. Simpson, 3-1-2-3; G. W. Lee, 2-0-40-61; Sunnucks, 3-0-56-93; A. A. K. Gifford, 2-0-6; C. J. Martin, 2-1-47*; Morgan, 2-0-9-10; L. Lines, 2-0-83-145; Begent, 2-0-7-12; D. H. Biggleston, 1-24; J. Ancombe, 1-12*; H. F. Reed, 1-10; B. W. Cox, 1-22; P. Pettman, 1-45; Mortley, 1-0; Sterling, 1-4*; D. A. Perkins 1-5; Shaxted, 1-26; Harding, 1-2.

BOWLING

	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Aver.
C. J. Martin	9	3	29	5	5.80
A. A. K. Gifford	29	10	76	7	10.85
Dovey	84.5	16	214	19	11.26
Edrich	62.4	9	211	18	11.72
Carter	94.3	11	370	22	16.81
Mayer	50.1	4	219	11	19.90
Davis	19	3	89	4	22.25

Also bowled:—Gladfish, 6-0-32-2; Spencer, 6-0-16-22; Sterling, 10-1-68-1; Smithers, 7-0-52-1; Mortley, 11-1-44-1; Evans, 2.5-0-9-1; Watt, 8-0-49-1; L. Lines, 8-1-25-1; Pocock, 1-0-5-1; Sunnucks, 1-0-9-0; Harding, 8-0-46-0.