

Chapter 9 1954 Season

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In 1954 A Benefit Match was held at the ground for Len Muncer June 20th 1954 Glamorgan v Derbyshire

Abergavenny lost their first match of the season and won their second. First game saw them entertain St Fagans, who scored 179-5 declared, W.Saunders 2-30, R.Jones 2-52, S. Workman 1-35. In reply Abergavenny were all out for 122. Mike Stock (24) R.Jones (32) Extras (34)

Abergavenny 64, L.Jones (15) H.Sadler (13) Cardiff Choristers 42. S.Workman 5-20, W.Williams 4-19

BNS 50-8 declared R.Thomas 6-23, H.Bowcett 2-18. Abergavenny 2nd X1- 54-2

Abergavenny 151, Les Jones (56) S.Workman (31) Brecon 126. D.Jones 8-49.

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Cowbridge 68-5 beat Abergavenny 67 all out on the Sunday by 5 wickets. Lew White (20) S.Workman (24) Workman also took all 5 wickets to fall for 11 runs

Century for Lew White at Panteg

Abergavenny 184-9 Lew White (108*) D.Jones (21) Panteg 114 all out Workman, Williams, Jones and White shared the wickets.

Abergavenny 182 for 9 Declared M.Stock (21) S.Workman (42) G.Alderton (47) Innswingers 168 W.Williams 4-60 Jones 3-49.

Panteg 2nds 32 all out R.Thomas 5 for 9 Abergavenny 2nd X1 33 for 1 C.Berrington (31*)

Sphinx 183 for 5 declared Saunders with 4 wickets. Abergavenny 140 M.Stock (25) L.White (33) R.Jennings(22)

Leading Batting Averages					
	In	N.O.	Rs.	H.S.	Av
L. White	7	1	176	108*	29.33
S. Workman	6	0	110	42	18.33
M. Stock	8	1	98	25	14.00
L. Jones	7	1	82	56	13.66
G. Alderton	7	1	73	47*	12.16
W. Binding	4	0	46	25	11.50

*Not out

Leading Bowling Averages					
	O	M	Rs.	W	Av
S. Workman	39.2	16	97	16	6.06
D. Jones	63.5	5	183	15	12.02
W. Saunders	32	5	88	6	14.66
W. Williams	73.6	14	240	12	20.00

The 2nd X1 completed the double over Cardiff.

A narrow defeat for the 1st X1 against Pat Kendle X1 followed. Pat Kendle X1 138 with 6 wickets for Dick Jones. Abergavenny 136. H.Sadler (31) W.Binding (29)

Abergavenny travelled to the famous St Helens Ground in Swansea and were unfortunate that rain stopped play as they headed for victory. Abergavenny 134 S.Workman (31)

L.White (30) H.Sadler (25) Swansea were 83-8 Workman 2- 44 and Jones 5-35. Meanwhile at Abergavenny Swansea 2nd X1 were beating Abergavenny 2nd X1.

Abergavenny 176 for 5 declared W.Binding (37) Lew White (84) South Wales Hunt 69-6 Dick Jones 4-18.

Len Muncer Benefit Game

COMBINED XI	
A. Hamer c Williams b D. Jones	32
T. Kelly c Sadler b Workman	19
J. Pleass c Williams b D. Jones	4
A. Revil c Berrington b D. Jones	12
A. Watkins c P. Jones b Williams	10
L. Muncer b Jennings	19
B. Edrich c Alderton b Jennings	7
C. Gladwin c D. Jones b Jennings	22
G. Wyatt b Williams	0
J. McConnon not out	63
E. Smith c Williams b Jennings	46
R. Carter c and b D. Jones	10
Extras	5
Total	249

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Jim McConnon scored (63) and broke a windscreen. The Combined X1 as seen reported on previous page scored 249 and Abergavenny replied with 165 -5 W.Binding (69) G.Alderton (28) W.Williams (23)



Len Muncer who played with distinction for both Middlesex and Glamorgan

Back to club cricket and a draw with Newport who scored 180-5 declared in reply Abergavenny struggled to 80-8 L.White (25) S.Workman (26)

They also lost to Hounslow after scoring 130 all out L.White (28) W.Saunders (25) Hounslow getting the runs for the loss of 3 wickets.

Bridgend 131 Jennings 4 wkts and Alderton 3 wkts. Abergavenny winning 132-7 G.Alderton (29*) R.Jennings (29*)

Abergavenny 113 W.Binding (15) M.Stock (13) W.Williams (31) H.Sadler (30*) Cowbridge 82-5 at the close.

The Lancashire touring side Weaste only mustered 52 with Williams and Jennings taking 4 wickets each. Abergavenny 53-2 M.Stock (23*) L.White (19)

Another draw against Newport Fugitives followed. Abergavenny 164 S.Workman (51) H.Sadler (25) Newport Fugitives 152-7 Bob Jennings taking 6 wickets.

A sad defeat followed against Usk with Abergavenny only reaching 61 all out. W.Williams (15) H.Sadler (19) Usk getting them comfortably 64-4 Bob Jennings taking 2 wickets.

Barry inflicted yet another defeat scoring a massive 230-4 in reply Abergavenny were 130 all out M.Stock (24) L.White (34) W.Williams (24) C.Berrington (29)

Barry 2nd's also hammered Abergavenny 2nd X1.

A Further defeat was endured as Tom Phillips X1 totalled 230, White, Williams, Jennings and Workman sharing the wickets. Abergavenny 105 H.Sadler (30)

Builth kept up the pressure with a 7 wicket victory. Abergavenny all out 96, H.Sadler (20) S.Stock (15*) Builth 103 -3

Abergavenny confidently beat Monmouth away bowling them out for 85. Abergavenny 89-4 L.White (29) C.Berrington (27*) to record the first win since July 4th.

Another welcome win came against Hills Plymouth (Merthyr) who were bowled out for 128 D.Jones 3-16

Abergavenny 129-6 C.Berrington (48)

The euphoria didn't last long as Abergavenny lost to Hereford. Abergavenny 132-9 L.White (55) Hereford 135-7. The seconds also lost to Hereford seconds.

Abergavenny 166 W.Williams (84) Pontypridd 158. Abergavenny 200-9 M.Stock (39) G.Alderton (29) C.Berrington (53) H.Sadler (25) Barry 122-8 Saunders and Alderton taking the wickets.

Abergavenny 89 C Berrington (27) Ross 96-3.

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Abergavenny hammered Whitchurch Heath but with only ten men lost to Panteg. Brian Shackleton made a rare appearance at this time, which is very early in his career.

For the 2nd time this season Abergavenny drew with the Fugitives. Abergavenny 137, Newport Fugitives 91-9 held on.

Abergavenny lost their last match to Tudor CC of Birmingham, Abergavenny only managed 69 and Tudor C.C. got them for 9 wickets.

Cricket Club's Record							
Abergavenny Cricket Club's record for the season is as follows :—							
P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.		
36	9	12	15	4304	4608		
LEADING BATSMEN							
			In.	N.o.	Rs.	H.S.	Av
L. White	30	1	625	108*	21.20
H. Sadler	24	5	336	31	17.68
S. Workman	20	1	332	51	17.47
W. Binding	25	1	321	69	13.37
*Not out							

LEADING BOWLERS						
		O	M	Rs.	W	Av
D. Jones	..	197	29	569	45	12.64
W. Saunders	..	108.6	22	169	11	15.36
R. Jennings	..	147.5	21	496	32	15.50
S. Workman	..	209.2	41	568	36	15.55
W. Williams	..	283.9	43	964	52	18.21