

## Chapter 42

### 1987 Season

President-E.G.Nash  
Chairman-A.K.Mead  
Captain 1<sup>st</sup> X1-Ryland Wallace  
Captain 2<sup>nd</sup> X1-R.Brown  
Captain 3<sup>rd</sup> X1 -S.Connolly

Pictured below Abergavenny First X1- 1987



Under the captaincy of R.Wallace the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 finished in a respectable 6<sup>th</sup> place in the TCL , down 3 places from 1986.

The very first game was a friendly, Abergavenny making 222-4 with runs from M.Winstanley (50) P.Watkins (39)G.Thomas (42) and M.Bloor (72) Cardiff Nomads were in trouble a 51-4 with P.Sussex taking 2-17 but alas rain stopped play

Frocester then beat Abergavenny by 5 wickets

A 2 wkt victory followed against Panteg. Panteg 126 all out with Alan Cook taking 6-36 and P.Sussex 3-41 Abergavenny 127-8 M.Winstanley (35)

Those other Gwent rivals Usk were beaten next. Usk 167 all out A..Cook 6-69 A.Charrington 2-40 P.Havard 2-27 Abergavenny 168-4 M.Bloor (79\*)G.Thomas (49)

Next the local village rivals were soundly beaten. Llanarth 95 all out S.Moorcroft 3-27

P.Havard 2-17 P.Jones 2-10 Abergavenny 98-2 P.Watkins (57\*) G.Thomas(19\*)

The victory run continued against Ebbw Vale. Abergavenny 132-9 batting first A.Cook (39\*) P.Watkins (31) Ebbw Vale 131-8 M.James 3-14 Ebbw Vale required 7 to win off the last over and were restricted to 5 by M.James.

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Defeat followed against Chepstow. Chepstow 201-8 A.Charrington 3-33 K.Holmes 3-46 Abergavenny 147 all out A.Cook (39) P.Haines (21) After travelling to Cirencester the match was abandoned with Cirencester on 19-2.

Hatherley 162-5 K.Holmes 2-49 P.Sussex 1-37 Abergavenny 159-9 K.Holmes (26) a good stand between P.Sussex (34) A.Cook (52\*) of 75 meant the partnership became a league record for the 8<sup>th</sup> wicket.

Beechwood were defeated in the Macey Abergavenny 81 Beechwood 38-10 Then BSC Ebbw Vale were beaten by 89 runs. Abergavenny 177-5 K.Holmes (96\*)G.Thomas (28)M.Winstanley (20\*) BSC 85-5

Abergavenny 135 all out lost easily to Hereford who reached 136-8 K.Holmes taking 5 wickets for Abergavenny and West Indian Tony Johnson 5-34 for Hereford. With 2 overs to go Hereford still needed 14 runs to win, but they succeeded for victory. Stinchcombe were 138 all out with 3 wickets apiece for S.Moorcroft and Paul Havard, however Abergavenny were 91 all out.

Lydney 125 all out bowled out by K.Holmes 7-52 and P.Sussex 2-38 Abergavenny 129-6 M.Powell (52) P.Watkins(33)

July brought a maiden century for Kyle Holmes against Colwall. Abergavenny 242-4 K.Holmes (111) M.Powell (31)P.Watkins (49) Colwall 233-9 K.Holmes taking 3 wickets.

Abergavenny 228-7 Holmes, Watkins and Powell were the main contributors. Frocester 159 all out S.Moorcroft & A.Cook 3 wickets each.

Malpas were disposed of in the Macey, Malpas 101 all out Havard, Holmes, Watkins & Sussex bowling excellently, Abergavenny 102-3 K.Holmes (60\*)



Paul Havard pictured left was the bowling hero against Ross Abergavenny 178-7 P.Jones (65) G.Thomas (28) Ross 106 all out P.Havard taking 7-54.

Winget once again beat Abergavenny. Winget made 223-6 Abergavenny 162 all out R.Wallace (47) P.Watkins (49) G.Thomas (20)

Abergavenny then lost to Cirencester. Abergavenny 156-8 P.Sussex (34\*) R.Wallace (56) M.Winstanley (29) Cirencester 158-5 P,Watkins taking 4 wickets.

Hythe making their 30<sup>th</sup> consecutive visit beat Abergavenny for the 'flashing blade' named in memory of Denis Harries.

Abergavenny 149-8 M.Winstanley (61) Warren Butterworth (31\*) Hythe 151-4 The most exciting game of the season was against Chepstow away. Abergavenny 211-8 M.Powell (69) M.Bloor (34) Chepstow 210 all out K.Holmes 2-59 P.Watkins 5-62. At one time Chepstow were 108-1 in 18 overs and looked certain to win. Gary Thomas however ran out R.Jones off the last ball of the match to secure a 1 run victory.

The eventual 1987 Champions Hereford were beaten at the Racecourse. Abergavenny 182-6 K.Holmes (27)P.Watkins (34)G.Thomas (27)R.Wallace (27) Hereford 117 all out thanks to S.Moorcroft 2-39,K.Holmes 6-28 and A.Charrington 2-38

The Abergavenny team against Hereford: R.Wallace (capt) M.Winstanley, K.Holmes, P.Watkins, P.Jones, G.Thomas, M.Bloor, C.Connelly, P.Sussex, S.Moorcroft and A.Cook

A good win at Hatherley followed. Abergavenny 194-5 K.Holmes (56) M.Winstanley (58)P.Jones (38) R.Wallace (30\*) Hatherley 166-8 P.Havard 2-36,K.Holmes 2-42 A.Charrington 3-49

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Stinchcombe provided the next opposition. Abergavenny 198-6 M.Powell (43) P.Watkins (31) R.Wallace (29\*) Stinchcombe 109 all out K.Holmes taking 4-26 and P.Havard 2-28

Phil Jones scored his maiden century against Whitchurch (109) in a rain affected game. Abergavenny then lost to Lydney who included Steve James, Graham Burgess and Roger Clitheroe by 59 runs. Lydney scored 224 with P.Sussex the best of the bowlers with 3-56. Abergavenny 165-9 at the close Winstanley, Jones and Cook batting well.

Phil Watkins took his aggregate score for the season to 993. R.Wallace, K.Holmes and P.Watkins all represented the TCL side during the season. K.Holmes 370 runs at 33.60, R.Wallace 304 runs at 30.40 and M.Powell 290 runs at 29.00 all featured in the TCL batting averages. Demonstrating his all round ability K.Holmes also figured in the bowling averages taking 38 wickets at 13.70. Warren Butterworth was included in the 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 TCL averages scoring 347 runs at 34.70 this included an unlucky 99 not out. Mike James figured in the bowling averages at 2<sup>nd</sup> Team level taking 39 wickets at 15-80. Schoolboy Matthew Morris won his Welsh Schools cap at Under 15 level making his debut for Wales against Ireland. He was already captain of Gwent Under 14's



**Pictured above Ian Bailey, Tony Mead and Mike Bruton three of the clubs stalwarts playing for 'The Station'**

**Beach Villas  
Three Counties League  
Final Tables 1987**

**DIVISION 1**

	Pl.	W	L	T	Net	Run	Rate	Avg
1. Hereford (6)*	26	7	18	15	3	96	78	29.0
2. Frome (1)	24	6	20	13	7	73	74	27.9
3. Chipstone (12)	24	5	21	18	7	74	77	26.1
4. Winger (6)	26	9	18	11	7	98	70	24.3
5. Lydney (2)*	24	5	20	12	8	78	83	26.1
6. Abergavenny (8)	24	7	18	10	9	98	72	23.7
7. Cirencester (5)	25	5	21	12	9	65	88	28.8
8. Colwall (8)*	24	7	18	13	8	53	82	29.4
9. Tewkesbury (11)	24	9	14	9	8	37	86	19.9
10. Usk (13)	26	6	20	8	12	63	68	21.1
11. Ross-on-Wye (9)*	24	7	18	7	17	43	58	16.6
12. Painsley (10)	24	5	20	6	14	37	64	17.1
13. Harlebury (7)	25	5	20	5	15	47	55	16.2
14. Blackdown (14)	24	5	20	5	15	32	59	15.1

**DIVISION 2**

	Pl.	W	L	T	Net	Run	Rate	Avg
1. Winger 2 (9)	24	5	20	19	1	71	85	14.6
2. Frome 2 (6)*	24	5	21	19	2	88	91	16.8
3. Cirencester 2 (10)	24	7	19	15	4	82	79	20.3
4. Hereford 2 (15)	24	5	21	14	7	70	76	13.7
5. Ross-on-Wye 2 (11)	24	5	20	10	10	58	72	11.9
6. Harlebury 2 (12)	24	5	19	8	10	94	71	20.9
7. Painsley 2 (11)	24	7	18	6	10	57	64	19.0
8. Lydney 2 (11)	24	5	21	11	10	63	80	10.7
9. Stow 2 (15)	24	8	18	6	12	48	55	17.7
10. Tewkesbury 2 (8)	24	5	21	8	13	47	65	15.9
11. Tewkesbury 2 (12)	24	11	15	6	6	29	45	14.0
12. Colwall 2 (11)	24	7	18	0	14	43	47	14.8
13. Chipstone 2 (13)	24	6	20	4	16	27	52	11.9
14. Abergavenny 2 (14)	24	5	21	3	18	31	52	12.5

\* Record includes 5 Fairs in Ted Gurney 1988 Fixtures in Brackets

**BEACH VILLAS  
THREE COUNTIES CRICKET LEAGUE**

**PRESENTATION  
DINNER DANCE**

**Friday 2nd October 1987**

**7.30 pm for 8.00 pm**

**Gordon League RFC,  
Hempstead, Gloucester**

*Guests*  
**R. C. Russell**  
**England & Gloucestershire C.C.C.**

**Ali Phillips**  
**Stone C.C.**

**Abergavenny beat Chipstone in the Macey Final at Usk.**

Abergavenny were Macey Shield Winners beating Beaufort P.Watkins (62) M.Bloor (54), BSC Ebbw Vale (K.Holmes 96\*),Beechwood, S.Moorcroft 2-8, K.Holmes 2-3,P.Havard 1-13, P.Sussex 4-10, Malpas K.Holmes (60\*) and 3-13, P.Sussex 4-26 and Newbridge in the semi-final, and in the Final Chipstone C.C. who included Adrian Dale in their line-up. In the Semi-final Newbridge scored 98-5 Mike James taking 2-5 in his 5 overs. Abergavenny wasted no time in knocking off the runs 99-3, P.Jones 36\*,P.Watkins 30 and K.Holmes 25.

The Teams for the Final:

**Abergavenny**

R.Wallace(Capt) M.Winstanley, P.Havard, P.Watkins, P.Jones, G.Thomas, M.Bloor, C.Connelly, P.Sussex, S.Moorcroft and M.James

**Chipstone**

P.Bennett(Capt),R.Moore,S.Evans,A.Dale, H.Rogers,R.Hopkins, A.Jacks, S.Talbot, I.Waite, R.Jones and W.Blake

Adrian Dale gave Chipstone a great start, but Paul Havard 4-24 and P.Watkins 3-29 ensured a manageable target. Phil Watkins then took over with the bat and scored 71\* to win the game for his team and the Man of the Match award by a mile. Kyle Holmes was on holiday for the final.

Abergavenny also entertained for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time Ricks Cavaliers on their 5<sup>th</sup> Tour of the UK. A guest appearance was made for Abergavenny by Marl Alleyne of Gloucester who scored a magnificent 100 he scored 119 from 102 balls including 12 fours and four sixes, and took 3 wickets as did Phil Watkins. Skipper for the day Paul Sussex was delighted with victory as the Cavaliers were bowled out 3 runs short.



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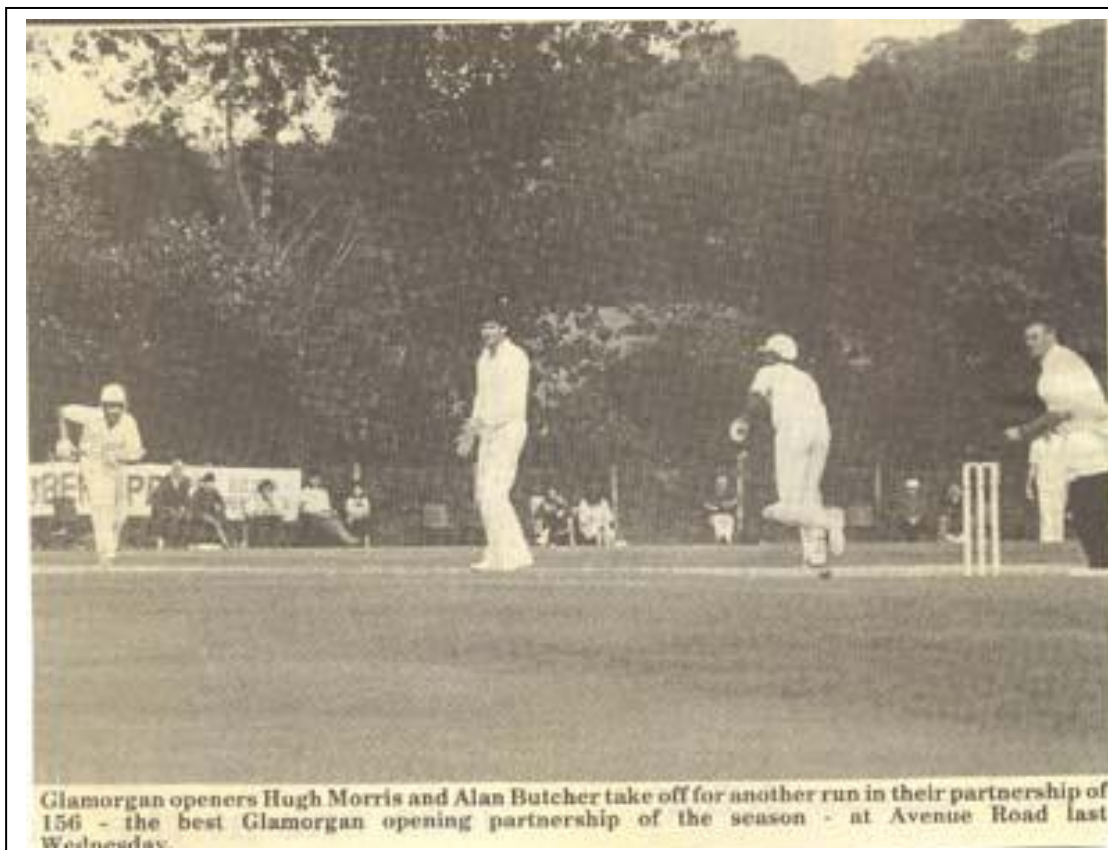


Primarily a middle-order batsman and medium-pace bowler, Alleyne made his first-class debut in 1986, against Kent in Gloucester. Against Ricks Cavaliers Mark Alleyne scored 119 from 102 balls including 12 fours and four sixes.

Brittanic Assurance Championship cricket was played at Avenue Road, over 3 days August 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>. Glamorgan v Leicestershire. Teams

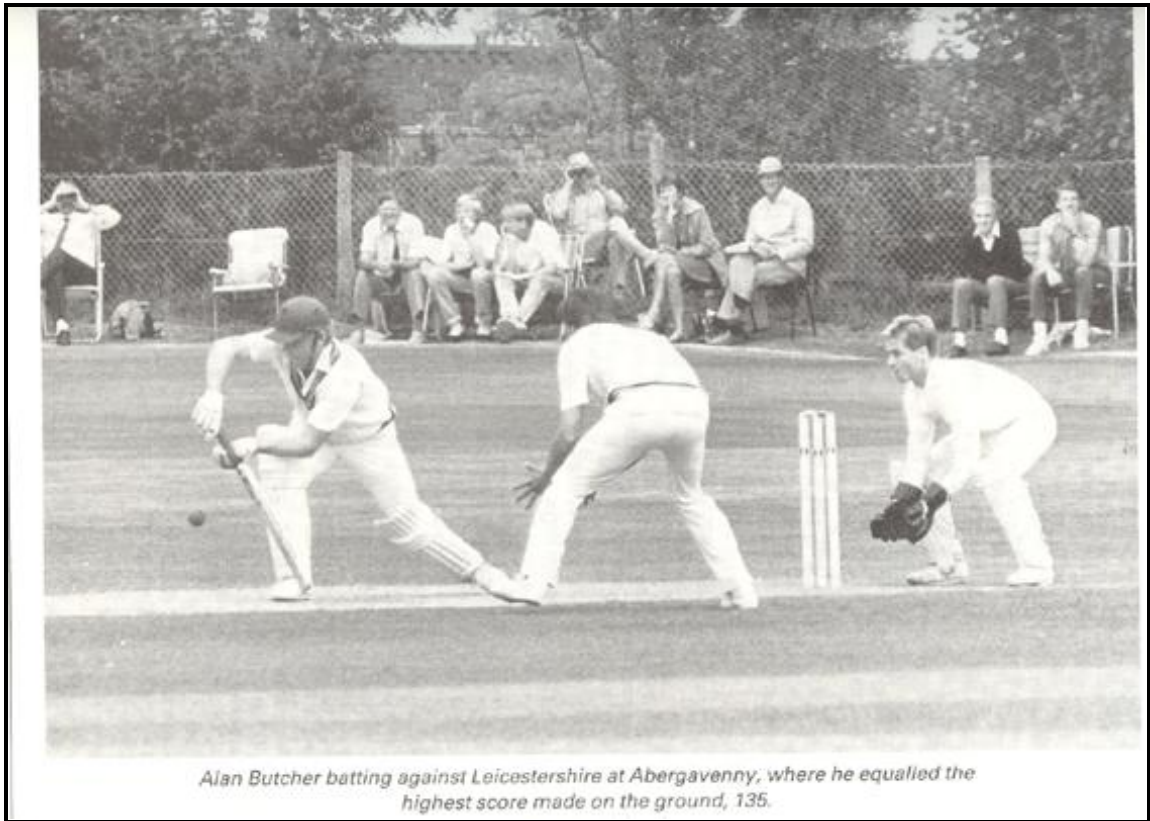
Glamorgan- A.R.Butcher, Hugh Morris(capt) G.C.Holmes, M.P.Maynard, Ravi Shastri, R.Ontong, P.A.Todd, John Derrick, C.P.Metson (Wkt) I.Smith, S.R.Barwick  
Leicestershire- R.A.Cobb, N.E.Briers, Petr Willey (Capt) J.J.Whitaker, L.Potter, P.B.Clift, P.A.J.DeFreitas, P.Whitticase (Wkt) J.P.Agnew, P.M.Such.

The umpires appointed were Barry Leadbeater and R.A.White.  
The match ended in a draw, all three days were played in glorious sunshine.



Glamorgan openers Hugh Morris and Alan Butcher take off for another run in their partnership of 156 - the best Glamorgan opening partnership of the season - at Avenue Road last Wednesday.

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<b>GLAMORGAN v LEICESTERSHIRE</b>									
Date: 5/6/7 August 1987					Toss won by: Glamorgan				
At: Abergavenny					Result: Match drawn				
Umpires: B. Leadbeater, R.A. White					Scorers: B.T. Denning, G.R. Blackburn				
<p>There was a disappointing end to this game when Peter Willey abandoned his side's run chase with only five wickets down. The Butcher brothers (Alan for Glamorgan, and Ian for Leicestershire) were the main rungetters for their respective sides. Alan scored masterly 135 for Glamorgan and Leicestershire declared in arrears. On a good wicket and a fast outfield, Glamorgan set the visitors 220 to win at around 5.5 an over. They were given an excellent start by Butcher and Briers and an exciting finish looked likely until the first wicket fell. It was difficult to understand Willey's tactics as Leicestershire were in contention for the Championship and a Glamorgan win wouldn't have affected their chances at all.</p>									
<b>GLAMORGAN</b>									
<b>1st INNINGS</b>					<b>2nd INNINGS</b>				
1. A.R. Butcher	c Potter b Such	135			c Such b Potter				
2. *H. Morris	c Butcher b Willey	56			b Willey				
3. M.P. Maynard	c Whitaker b Potter	35			c De Freitas b Potter				
4. G.C. Holmes	c Whitticase b Agnew	26			not out				
5. P.A. Todd	c & b Potter	4			c Whitaker b Willey				
6. R.J. Shastri	lbw b Clift	56			not out				
7. J. Derrick	lbw b Agnew	0							
8. †C.P. Metson	c Potter b Agnew	31							
9. I. Smith	b Clift	14							
10. S.R. Barwick	b Clift	12							
11. R.C. Ontong	not out	6							
	Extras	11			Extras				
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>386</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>dec. 220</b>			
<p><i>Fall of wickets:</i> 1st innings—1-156, 2-233, 3-233, 4-237, 5-320, 6-320 7-322, 8-343, 9-362.                  2nd innings—1-21, 2-53, 3-122, 4-137, 5-, 6-, 7-, 8-, 9-</p>									
<b>Bowling:</b>									
	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	
Agnew	36.2	6	129	3	5	0	25	0	
De Freitas	13	3	31	0					
Clift	28	6	71	3	3	1	5	0	
Such	23	7	60	1	19	1	71	0	
Willey	18	3	54	1	8	1	48	2	
Potter	10	3	39	2	14	2	66	2	
<b>LEICESTERSHIRE</b>									
<b>1st INNINGS</b>					<b>2nd INNINGS</b>				
1. I.P. Butcher	c & b Shastri	88			c Todd b Shastri				
2. N.E. Briers	c Metson b Barwick	18			c Holmes b Ontong				
3. R.A. Cobb	c sub b Derrick	78							
4. J.J. Whitaker	c & b Shastri	2			c Ontong b Shastri				
5. *P. Willey	c Ontong b Derrick	30			c Maynard b Ontong				
6. L. Potter	not out	47			not out				
7. J.P. Agnew	not out	0							
8. P.A.J. De Freitas					b Shastri				
9. P.B. Clift					not out				
10. †P. Whitticase									
11. P.M. Such									
	Extras	14			Extras				
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>277</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>220</b>			
<p><i>Fall of wickets:</i> 1st innings—1-45, 2-188, 3-194, 4-194, 5-268, 6-, 7-, 8-, 9-.                  2nd innings—1-130, 2-175, 3-187, 4-210, 5-220, 6-, 7-, 8-, 9-</p>									
<b>Bowling:</b>									
	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W	
Barwick	15	2	46	1	2	1	1	0	
Smith	4	1	20	0					
Ontong	17	4	53	0	22	5	103	2	
Shastri	33	8	72	2	25	7	80	3	
Derrick	27	5	71	2	7	1	33	0	
Holmes	1	0	1	0					
* Captain † Wicket-keeper									



Pictured at Hatherley's New Ground in 1987



Standing M.Winstanley, M.Bloor, A.Cook, P.Jones, P.Havard, G.Thomas, K.Williams (Umpire). Front- J.Jones, P.Sussex, K.Holmes, R.Wallace(Capt), M.Powell

Glamorgan 2nds v Lancashire 2nds took place at the Club a 3 day game on June 3,4,5<sup>th</sup> 1987

Glamorgan

M.J.Cann (Capt)  
S.Peterson  
P.G.P.Roebuck  
P.A.Cottey  
A.Williams  
M.L.Roberts(Wkt)  
P.D.North  
R.J.Croft  
S.J.Base  
S.L.Watkin  
S.Monkhouse

Lancashire

J.Abrahams (Capt)  
G.D.Lloyd  
N.J.Speak  
I.D.Austin  
J.D.Fitton  
S.P.Titchard  
W.K.Hegg  
S.Henriksen  
K.W.McLeod  
I.C.Davidson  
G.J.Bolton





The Glamorgan Squad of 1987, 10 years later in 1997 they would still be playing Championship cricket at Abergavenny

### World Events

In Britain, the first suspect to be convicted by evidence derived from genetic fingerprinting is convicted of two murders. Andy Warhol, US artist and film-maker, a leading exponent of Pop Art in the 1960s, dies in New York, (59). Rudolf Hess, German Nazi leader and deputy of Adolf Hitler, dies in Spandau prison in West Berlin, West Germany, where he had remained imprisoned since World War II (93). Sunil Gavaskar of India, playing in his 124th Test cricket match, against Pakistan in Ahmedabad, India, becomes the first batsman to score 10,000 Test runs. New Zealand beats France 29-9 to win the inaugural rugby union World Cup, in Auckland, New Zealand.