## Chapter 46

## Season 1991

President-J.B.Shackleton Chairman-Brian Mayers Hon Sec-C.Cotterill, Treasurer-I.Bailey 1<sup>st</sup> X1 Captain-Mark Winstanley

Runnersup in Macey Shield beaten by Chepstow in the Final

Pictured below Abergavenny First X1- 1991



### Ajay Banerjee Professional



Born: 30 June 1969, Ludhiana, Punjab

Major Teams: Haryana. Known As: Ajay Banerjee Batting Style: Left Hand Bat

**Career Statistics:** 

First Class- 10 Best 111 List A Limited Overs -0

### Aug 28,29,30,31<sup>st</sup> Glamorgan v Gloucestershire County Championship



More than 1,000 runs were scored once again at Avenue Road. Glamorgan won by 9 wickets. First Innings 514-9 A.Butcher (pictured left) score 147 and Adrian Dale made his maiden Championship century (140) Gloucester made 357 in their first innings and 309 in the second.



Pictured above two established County Cricket Wicket Keepers Colin Metson and Jack Russell. At this time Mike Powell was an aspiring wicket keeper. In the future he would establish himself on the County circuit but as a fine Batsman for Glamorgan C.C.C.



Glamorgan CCC secretary, Gwyn Stone presents the trophy for the Young Player of the Year to 14-years-old Mike Powell, the only Abergavenny player to score a century in league cricket this season, at the club's annual dinner at the Lamb and Flag Hotel. Other award winners were Richard Beaumont (1st team player); Pradeep Khanna (2nd team player), Dennis Lewis (3rd team player), Gary Caufield (most improved player) and Neil Pothecary (clubman of the year).



Owen Dawkins 'Hits out'

Abergavenny opened the season in April with a rain affected friendly against Gloucester Strollers, They reached 126-6 in the 33<sup>rd</sup> over when rain ended the match. Friendly 40 over game R.Beaumont (28) S.Brown (18\*) P.Jones (36) Kai Carlson (14)

The first TCL match was at home against Colwall on April 27<sup>th</sup>, Colwall batted first and reached 178 for 9 in their 50 overs. Richard Beaumont taking 2-18, Kai Carlson 3-31, Paul Havard 1-27 and Paul Sussex 2-26 shared the wickets. At one point Abergavenny were 105-6 after 29 overs G.Thomas (20)Kai Carlsen (33) and Paul Sussex (46\*) saw then home by 2 wickets. Finishing on 181-8

Chepstow soon ended any ambition of opening the league campaign with 2 wins. A Rob Moore century being the feature of Chepstow's innings. In Abergavenny's total of 169, Simon Moorcroft (60)Kai Carlson (33) and Paul Sussex (20) were the main contributors. Kai Carlson and Richard Beaumont took 2 wickets each but Chepstow won by 6 wickets.

In the 50 over Sunday League Cardiff posted 258-5 Simon Moorcroft 1-41 and Paul Sussex 1-45 took wickets with 3 run out's. In reply Abergavenny only managed 162 all out with runs from Mark Winstanlet (41) Simon Moorcroft (22) and Steve Brown (28\*)

Cirencester were beaten Abergavenny scoring 163-8 with runs from Ryland Wallace (52) Gary Butterworth (41) and Simon Moorcroft (30) This was in reply to Cirencester's 160-7 K.Carlson 5-65 and Richard Beaumont 2-44.

In the TCL Cup Hatherley away were next up. Batting first Abergavenny made 213-8 with Richard Brown(87) G.Thomas (21) K.Carlson (31) Mark Winstanley (16) and Richard Beaumont (26) Hatherley were 198-9 at the close. Paul Sussex 3-14 and Simon Moorcroft 2-48, Young Nick Francis took his first wicket for Abergavenny.

Despite scoring 207-4 against Hereford in the TCL Cup. Abergavenny lost as Hereford mustered 210-4. Runs for Abergavenny from R.Brown (39) Gary Thomas (73) Philip Jones (40\*) Moorcroft Carlson and Sussex taking the wickets.

This was followed on 25/5/91 by a real experience at Clevedon, the Abergavenny team came up against a 21 year old Andy Caddick. Batting first Clevedon scored 203-6 with a century from Piers McBride, Richard Beaumont 2-57 and Paul Sussex 2-38 including Andy Caddick caught and bowled, took the wickets. In reply against this fearsome pace Abergavenny managed 184-7 but not without several injuries. Ryland Wallace had his hand broken. Caddick took 2-68 and Reg Haywood 3-68.Matthew Morris (54\*) and Paul Sussex (29) enjoyed a good partnership. There were only 6 overs of respite throughout the 45 when Andy Caddick was not bowling.

Matthew Morris (114\*)scored a ton against Mendip Acorns and Gary Butterworth (75) as Abergavenny totalled 238-2 in reply at the close Mendip were 178-7

Away to Kington in the Cup Abergavenny failed to pass Kington's 245-8 There were wickets for Simon Moorcroft 2-51 and Richard Beaumont 4-33. Abergavenny were all out for 127 with only Kai Carlson (20) and Gary Thomas(23) making any contribution.

The 16 Over (8 ball overs) John Macey Competition opened at home against Pontnewynydd. Abergavenny 147-8. Pontnewynydd 134-6.

The match at Avenue Road against Frocester proved to be a thriller as Abergavenny 193-7 were beaten off the last ball of the match by Frocester 194-8 R.Beaumont 6-57 K.Carlson 2-89. For Abergavenny R.Brown (39) Simon Moorcoft (36) and Gary Thomas (37) Old adversary Eric Woodmason taking 5-98 for Frocester.

Three consecutive weeks were then lost to rain. Panteg v Abergavenny was washed out.

In the Macey local village team Llanarth were beaten. Abergavenny scored 202-4 K.Holmes (49)S.Moorcroft (91\*) A.Bannerjee (20) Llanarth 150-7 P.Havard 2-45 R.Beaumont 3-32

A good 6 wicket victory came next. Tewkesbury 130 all out S.Moorcroft 5-27, G.Thomas 2-31R.Beaumont 2-19 Abergavenny 131-4 G.Thomas (35) A.Bannerjee (30)M.Morris (27\*)

Ajay Bannerjee just missed his first century on his 21<sup>st</sup> birthday scoring 96 out of Abergavenny's 238-5 against Panteg, skipper Mark Winstanley chipped in swith (47) K.Carlson (39) Mike Powell made his debut for the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 as a wicket keeper. Panteg 182-7 K.Carlson 3-70

Usk were defeated in the Macey quarter final, Abergavenny scored 137 in their 16 overs, the key moment was a catch by young Steve Brown to dismiss Usk's potential match winner Mike Keear. R.Beaumont 4-2, K.Holmes 3-27.

Stinchcombe 148 all out won easily with Barry Chedburn 5-37 from South Africa rolling Abergavenny over for 59. Only M.Morris and M.Winstanley showed any resistance. For Abergaveny Richard Beaumont 5-27 and Paul Havard 3-36 took the wickets.

Half centuries from Mark Winstanley and Simon Moorcroft against Winget were to no avail as rain washed away any chance of a result.

The famous three Carter, Tegg and Tetley were not amused.

Alton visited for a friendly making 205 all out Abergavenny reaching the target for the loss of 4 wickets.

Usk gave Abergavenny a real hiding by 6 wickets, with only P.Jones with (46) making any sort of score.

Panteg knocked Abergavenny out of the TCL cup in the quarter final. Abergavenny 126-9 P.Jones (51\*)Panteg 128-3.

Swansea were the next visitors in the Kippex S.Wales League Abergavenny 179-8 M.Morris (48) R. Beaumont (23) Swansea 180-2 with the Hemp brothers David and Tim scoring (91) and (57) respectively.

Penarth were beaten in the Macey Semi Final. Penarth 100 all out wickets shared by Carlson, Bannerjee, Beaumont and Holmes. Abergavenny scraped home by 2 wickets at 104-8 Matthew Morris (31) M. Winstanley (15\*)

The Macey Final was played at Panteg against Chepstow. Chepstow 136-4, Abergavenny a disappointing 119-9

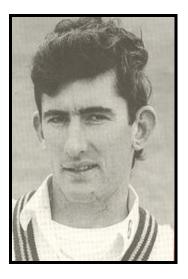
Colwall were beaten I a low scoring game. Colwall 123 all out. Kai Carlson 3-35, Richard Beaumont 3-46 and A.Banerjee 4-31. Abergavenny 127-8 Ajay Bannerjee (56\*)

In August a partnership of 165 for the fourth wicket between Bannerjee (88) and Jones (84) helped Abergavenny reach a total of 255-7 against Hatherley. Moorcroft chipped in with (42) The bowling of Bannerjee 4-24, R.Beaumont 2-28 and Paul Havard 2-29 dismissed Hatherley for 151.

In a two home match weekend Kington and Tewkesbury were both beaten, Simon Moorcroft scoring 56 and 48 respectively and Richard Beaumont taking 4-63 and 4-49 R.Brown (35) K.Carlson (30) and M.Morris (34) were other batsmen to prosper.

Right at the end of the season Ebbw Vale were beaten Abergavenny 269-5 P.Khanna (56) Ajay Bannerjee (40) M.Morris (40) and S.Moorcroft (92) E.Vale 251-8 Bannerjee 6-100. Abergavenny proved no match for Winget who after scoring 256-3 bowled Abergavenny out for 123-8. S.Moorcroft (31)M.Winstanley (24)R.Beaumont (22)

14 year old Mike Powell became the only Abergavenny player to score a League Century with a (102) against Cwm for Abergavenny  $3^{rd}$  X1



# Andrew Richard Caddick

A 22 year old born in Christchurch of English parents, burst on the TCL for Clevedon. He was taking the 4 year qualification route to playing for Somerset. By the summer of 1993 he was playing for England against the mighty Australia

Pictured Right ASW
Director David Yendoll
presenting the Player
and Young Player of the
Month (August) to Ravi
Shastri and Anthony
Cottey at Abergavenny.



### Pictured right

Two of the best wicket keepers in the country, Colin Metson and the retired Alan Knott former Kent and England favourite





As well as the County Championship v Gloucester, Avenue Road hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 Championship match Glam 2nds 200-9 v Worcester 2nds on June 12,13,14<sup>th Rain interfered</sup>

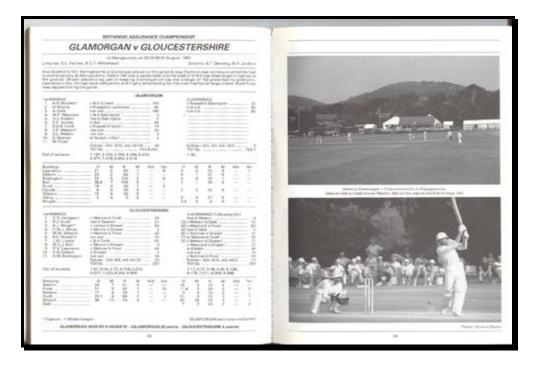
#### World Events 1991

In the third World Athletics Championships in Tokyo, Japan, Mike Powell of the USA sets a new world record for the long jump of 8.95 m/29 ft 4.5 in, beating the record set by Bob Beamon of the USA in 1968 - the oldest in track and field athletics. Graham Greene, English novelist, dies in Vevey, Switzerland (86). The world population is 5.5 billion, compared with 3.63 billion in 1970. Following the death from AIDS of the British rock group Queen's lead singer Freddie Mercury, the single 'Bohemian Rhapsody' is re-released and goes to number one in the UK charts for the second time. A nationwide outcry follows the televising in the USA of video footage showing the black motorist Rodney King being beaten by four white policeman in Los Angeles, California.





Mark Frost receiving his Cap from skipper Alan Butcher



The scorecard and some action pictures from the County game



More action at Avenue Road as Steve James cuts a ball during his first innings knock



## Glamorgan C.C.C. Squad for 1991 Season

RUNS		<u>WICKETS</u>	
G.Thomas	257 at 19.8	R.Beaumont	45
R.Beaumont	165 at 16.5	K.Carlson	26
S.Moorcroft	462 at 24.3	P.Havard	10
P.Jones	319 at 35.4	P.Sussex	8
M.Winstanley	195 at 16.3	S.Moorcroft	13
K.Carlson	245 at 16.3	A.Bannerjee	22
P.Sussex	106 at 53.0		
R.Wallace	135 at 16.9		
R.Brown	326 at 25.1		
S.Brown	88 at 19.8		
M.Morris	208 at 18.9		
A.Bannerjee	291 at 24.2		

## Guy (G.N.) O'Daly 1908-1991



Guy Nolan O'Daly was born on September 4<sup>th</sup> 1908 in Bramley, Hampshire. The son of an Irish Doctor. He joined Abergavenny at the end of 1935 season and had an immediate impact in the final game of that season for the Thursday X1, he scored a hundred against Newport Thursday X1, his 109 included 17 fours and 2 sixes and he took several wickets. His brilliant cricket was to galvanise the club for the next few years.

He had a very short first class career, playing just one match for Glamorgan against Cambridge University at Swansea in 1938, he injured himself after bowling just 7 overs. He had previously played for Glamorgan 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 in 1936. In a match against Middlesex 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 at Arden Field in Finchley on May 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of that year, one of his opponents was none other than DCS Compton who had just joined Middlesex as an 18 year old.

He was a right handed batsman and right arm medium pace bowler.

From 1935 and for much of the following 5 years O'Daly dominated the local cricket scene. He passed like a meteor across the sky outshining his contemporaries by his incomparable talents as a batsman and bowler.

In 1937 he made1171 runs and took 138 wickets at an average of 9.00 beating all club records. The feat of scoring a thousand runs in a season was not repeated until 1947. O'Daly was an inspiration to colleagues and a great attraction to spectators he probably had an influence on the upturn in Club Membership which almost trebled during this period.

In 1937 Guy O'Daly was invited to join another club but the committee persuaded him to accept the post of coach and groundsman thus retaining him for a few more years.

He died in September 29<sup>th</sup> 1991 aged 83 years in Basingstoke, Hampshire