

2019 Season
President- Richard 'Dick' Brown
Chairman-Andrew Timpson
Secretary-Brian Mayers
Treasurer-Nick Kinman
1st X1 Captain-Will Glenn
2nd X1 Captain –Dr Steve Brown 3rd X1 Captain-Mark Winstanley

On September 30th 2018 just after the Season drew to an end we lost our superb President Brian Shackleton who died on his 82nd Birthday. His funeral and Memorial Service was on October 16th 2018.

Cricket club mourn the passing of former player and President

**JB Shackleton
1936-2018**

THE Welsh cricketing community was devastated this week to lose a real gentleman and giant of the game - Mr. Brian Shackleton, or 'Shacky' as he was affectionately known.

A prominent figure about town and successful businessman, Brian was regarded as a legend at Abergavenny Cricket Club where he had been both player, Captain and President from 1989 to 2018.

On occasions he also took on other responsibilities, holding dual roles on the club committee for a number of years.

Universally known as Mr. Abergavenny Cricket Club, Brian's love of all things cricket was no secret.

There are very few parts of the Principality and indeed the wider cricketing community where Brian Shackleton does not immediately spring to mind whenever anyone mentions Abergavenny Cricket Club.

He came from a well-established Abergavenny family and their chemist shops need no introduction.

In South Wales and beyond the name "Shacky" has to a large extent become synonymous with Abergavenny CC. Brian's contribution to the club cannot be underestimated.

His career with the club goes back to 1947 when as a very young boy he played in



the Abergavenny Colts 'B' side against the Colts 'A' side. He was educated at Llandoverly College and the University of Wales, Cardiff where he graduated with a Bachelor of Pharmacy Degree. Brian became the fourth generation to join the family business in 1956. His family business H. Shackleton Ltd has long been an integral part of the fabric of Abergavenny.

Brian also played rugby to a very good standard at scrum-half for Abergavenny RFC's First XV.

He celebrated 62 years of

association with the club on their 175th anniversary in 2009.

During his cricketing career Brian was captain of the first eleven on 12 occasions. The first time as a 24-year-old in 1961 when he held the captaincy for 10 consecutive seasons.

It was during his second spell as captain starting in 1974 that Brian captained Abergavenny to Three Counties League triumph in 1975. The first and last time the club has achieved this feat.

As a player, the statistics

show that Brian scored over 6,000 runs for the club. His best season came in 1968 when he scored 619 runs. His top score for the club was 96 not out, in addition to this he also took 126 catches.

He promoted the club at every opportunity and was instrumental in First Class cricket being introduced to the club. He organised many benefit matches and testimonial dinners for County Players. In addition, he sponsored a number of young cricketers and was a great supporter of St Helen's Balconiers which is Glamorgan's support base in the West of the Principality.

He served on the Glamorgan County Cricket Club committee with distinction for more than 20 years, was a member of the MCC and also served on the Three Counties League Executive.

His support of Glamorgan and its players was truly significant and he, along with his late wife Barbara, were often seen supporting Glamorgan and England on tours across the world.

Despite his recent ill health he continued to attend Abergavenny and Glamorgan matches and remained an active President with very much a 'hands-on' approach.

To many Brian Shackleton has been the club's moral compass, always striving to ensure that Abergavenny played within the spirit of cricket.

Brian Shackleton's funeral will be held on October 16

J.B. SHACKLETON, *Elected 1986*

It was hardly surprising that Brian Shackleton was known simply as “Mr. Abergavenny”; his association with the cricket club lasted over 70 years, the last three decades as president.

Shackleton first played for the club in 1947 and he went on to captain the first XI, including for ten consecutive seasons from 1961-71 and for Abergavenny’s sole Three Counties League title in 1975. He scored over 6,000 runs for the club, which he promoted at every opportunity, leading to their selection as an out-ground for Glamorgan CCC (on whose committee he later served for 20 years). His hospitality on these occasions was almost boundless, extending to the provision of bed and breakfast for the visiting umpires, and it was to his credit that a number of well-known journalists much preferred their visits to the picturesque Abergavenny ground than covering a Test Match.

Educated at Llandovery College, Shackleton became the fourth generation to join the family chemists’ business, obtaining a Pharmacy degree from the University of Wales, Cardiff in 1956. In common with many Welsh cricketers, he also played rugby to a high standard, appearing at scrum-half for Abergavenny’s first XV. *Died aged 82.*



Above-The Obituary in the MCC Handbook



We also heard the sad news in September of the passing of Mike Farr [Pictured Far Left] who had a superb career with Abergavenny CC taking over 1000 wickets in a ten year period with his 1000th wicket coming in the 1972 benefit Match for Garfield Sobers

Then in October we heard the sad news of the death of Robin Williams [Pictured Left] aged 68 years who as a lad played for Abergavenny CC with distinction from the age of 15 years. He is better known for his wonderful Rugby Career, becoming one of the best goal kicking fullbacks in the history of the game



Early Season Friendlies- Sunday April 14th saw us set Clydach CC 163 to win. They chased the total down for the loss of 7 wickets

Then on Saturday April 13th –Pictured Left- Malpas CC were the visitors. Abergavenny losing by 58 runs

More pre season friendlies at the weekend. On Saturday April 20th we take on Carmarthen Wanderers 1pm start, 40 overs and ORANGE balls. Sunday April 21st CCS Cricket visit Avenue Road starting at the later time of 1.30 and 40 overs a side


Congratulations!
April 2019

CONGRATULATIONS to all our young players who have been selected for the various age groups at both County and National Level. Each year we are seeing an ever-increasing number of players getting their just rewards for all their hard work both during the winter months. 2019 is a record number. Well done all.

Gwent U10s: Dylan Bradley, Ollie Jones

Gwent U12s: James Morris, Stefan Davies, Tom Norton

Gwent U13s: Dan Du Plessis, Tom Norton

Gwent U14s: Charlie Gedge & Jonty Heffaran

Gwent U15s: Tom Pipe, Eoin Shackleton, Alex Holmes, Ben Morris

Wales U13s: Tom Norton

Wales U15s: Ben Morris

Wales U17s Morgan Bevans & Ben Davies

Up to date news on the Club's website can be found at: <http://abergavennycricket.co.uk>

Junior Cricket

REGISTRATION

Youth night is every Friday from 6:00 pm until approx. 8:00 pm.

Parents can register their children on any Friday evening, see Kelly Evans.

Girls Cricket this season we are planning to provide cricket for girls with a separate training night so they can train with their friends and colleagues across the whole age group U11 – U15.

All children can register on Friday evenings.

Contact Nick Kinman 07747 627378 for more details

Girls & Boys U9s



Lots of opportunities to learn & play cricket for all abilities. Coaching for Boys and Girls from 6:00 pm until 7:00 pm every Friday.

U13 Cricket Coaching

The U13s are training on Wednesday Nights at the ground with Len Wilcock & Steve Bradley.

Players should aim to be at the ground ready for action at 6:00 pm.

Shield Draw - 1st Round Draw

U11s play Croesyceiliog Away

U13s play Sudbrook Away

U15s Home to Newport

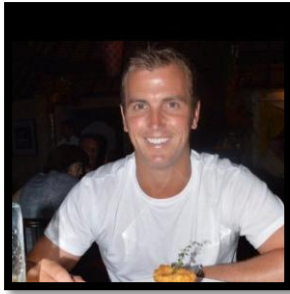
Coaches & Teams

Nick Kinman will oversee the U9s with help from some of the older youth players.

Under 11s (2 Teams) are coming under the guidance of Nick Kinman and Steve Bradley.

U13s are being coached by Len Wilcock, Steve Bradley and Team Manager is Iestyn Davies.

U15s are being looked after by Darren Jones, Kyle Holmes and Stuart Eccles.



Saturday April 20th- Carmarthen Wanderers- Abergavenny After being 10-4 after 10 and 40-5 after 20 we managed to get up to 212-5 from 40 overs

With Adam Harrison Pictured Left-scoring a century . nevertheless Carmarthen won by 6 wickets. Next Day Abergavenny beat Cheltenham Civil Service who made 224 by 4 wickets, with Tariq Faqir scoring his maiden fifty for the club



Saturday-April 27th-At Avenue Road New skipper Will Glenn did the first job correctly by winning the toss and asking Croesyceiliog to bat first.

The first league game of the season for Abergavenny 1st X1 saw a good 7 wicket victory over Croesyceiliog CC 1st X1. Croesyceiliog batting first never really came to terms with the Abergavenny bowlers losing wickets at regular intervals the best partnership was 46 runs for the 2nd wicket. Thanks to some excellent bowling in particular from Huw Griffiths with 4-22 and Ben Davies with 4-25 , with one wicket each for Harrison and Leach- supported by good catching with 8 batsmen out caught and 2 clean bowled. Croesyceiliog were all out for 115 in the 37th over.

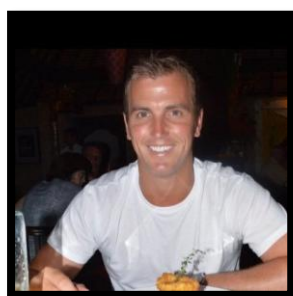
Skipper will Glenn and fellow opener Luke Bowen put on a solid 53 for the first wicket which was an ideal platform for the victory by 7 wickets. Luke Bowen top scored with [42] while the in form Adam Harrison was undefeated on [25*] Abergavenny winning in the 27th over

Abergavenny sent a Friendly X1 to Ledbury CC- they had a good game but lost by 32 runs, the highlights being 4 wickets for Dylan Beaumont Welsh, a half century [58] for Tom Pipe and a [37] from young Tom Norton on his senior debut.

Ben Morris made his Wales Under 15 Debut at Millfield



Next up the first team are again at home against Brecon Firsts. The second team start their campaign away against Lisvane third team, while Abergavenny's third team host Pontymister and Cross Keys second team at Crickhowell cricket ground.



Abergavenny were at home for the second week running against Brecon. The visitors won the toss and asked Abergavenny to bat. Abergavenny got off to a slow start and lost skipper Will Glenn with the score on 18. What followed was not easy on the eye but effective as Luke Bowen and Adam Harrison built a massive partnership of 188 for the 2nd wicket. Luke Bowen just missing out on a century when he was bowled for 93 off 155 balls. Adam Harrison [Pictured Left] soldiered on and with the incoming batsmen going for broke and sacrificing their wickets.....

.....for the cause Abergavenny reached what appeared an unlikely total of 231. Adam Harrison remained unbeaten on 107 Not out from 117 deliveries.

In reply Brecon lost wickets at regular intervals and their score was helped by some wayward bowling by the Abergavenny Bowlers who conceded 25 wides. Adam Harrison after his herculean effort with the bat bowled his allocation of 10 overs taking 1-29. He was supported by Young Ben Morris who looks a really good prospect taking 2-23 in 6 Overs. The spin twins Sam Clarke [3-35] and Ben Davies [2-37] bowled really well sending down 18 Overs for 72 runs and 5 wickets. Geraint Leach chipped in with [2-18] wrapping up a convincing victory for Abergavenny with Maximum Points. Next week they are away at Blackwood Town.

The 2nd X1 were away at Lisvane 3rds on Saturday (Played at Pontcanna Fields in Llandaff). Aber won toss and invited Lisvane to bat on a slow, low typical early season wicket. Huw Griffiths took 3 early wickets to leave Lisvane 7 for 3. They then had a partnership of 69 between Tripathy and Maskeen a sharp run out by Tom Pipe accounted for Maskeen for 29. Abergavenny 2^{nds} then took wickets at regular intervals with debutant Richard James taking the valued wicket of Tripathy courtesy of an excellent catch by Jimmy Watkins at mid-off. Andy Timpson and Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy then cleared up the tail as they lost 5 wickets for 25 runs in the final 8 overs.

Abergavenny made really heavy going of the run chase with Lisvane bowling really well as a unit. Gareth Powell was out early to the nagging line and length of Drury will young Rhys Leach bowling 2 very miserly spells from the other end without the reward he was probably due. Following the loss of Tom Pipe for 17 Abergavenny were 31-2 off 13. Lee Fury and Steve Brown steadied the ship with a partnership of 64 before Brown needlessly ran himself out for 36. Lee Fury and Jimmy Watkins then put on a handy partnership of 39 leaving the equation at Abergavenny requiring only 5 runs needed off the final 3 overs and 6 wickets in hand. Fury was out trying to go over the top for a well made 47 in the 43rd over which ended as a maiden, Jimmy Watkins was stumped in the 44th over trying to end the game quickly which still left Abergavenny 2nd s needing 3 to win off the last over with now only 4 wickets in hand. Abergavenny only managed a single off the first three balls of the over before Nathan Holley released the shackles and led Abergavenny to the victory with a pull for 4 through square leg.

Abergavenny running out 4 wicket victors with a 19 point haul.

South East Wales League Division 9- played at Crickhowell Abergavenny 3rd X1 v Pontymister & Crosskeys CC - 2nd XI. Pontymister & Crosskeys CC - 2nd XI. 141 All out. Crickhowell 3rd X1 145-0.

The 3rds were comfortable winners over **Pontymister/Crosskeys Cricket Club** 2nds at Crickhowell. Ponty made an encouraging start to their innings with openers putting on 68 for the first wicket. But the wickets tumbled in the second half of the innings as Ponty were all out for 141 as **Owain Thomas Bradley** took 5-11 and league debutant **IMihla Mihla** 3-26. Aber then chased the total down in quick time as Alex Holmes 30 no and **Matt Knight** scored his first century for the club finishing on 104 no saw the 3s home to win by 10 wickets



David Clarke-[Pictured Left] came back into the side for the away game with Blackwood. Winning the toss Blackwood asked Abergavenny to bat first. At one point Abergavenny were 77 for 2, skipper Will Glenn with a good [35] Adam Harrison with [19] and Gareth Burkitt top scoring with [41] Alas after these early batsmen were out Abergavenny slumped to a very disappointing 138 All Out in the 36th over of their 50 allocation. In reply it proved almost as difficult for Blackwood who slumped to 61 for 5, but a solid partnership by Blackwood of 70 for the 6th wicket saw them winning eventually by 3 wickets-139-7.....

..... For Abergavenny Adam Harrison [2-21] David Clarke [1-26] Sam Clarke [2-31] and Geraint Leach [1-27]

The 2nd X1 were at home to Brecon 2nd X1 Abergavenny 2nd's batted first at the invitation of Brecon and scored 213-6 in their 45 overs. They lost one of the openers with the score on 1. When skipper Stevee Brown was out Abergavenny 2nd's were 47 for 3. But Lee Fury batting at number 3 carried his bat for [78 Not Out] and he was ably supported by Richie Roberts [49] and Matthew Knight [45] to set a satisfactory target. Brecon were off to a good start and at one point were 93-1, this quickly became 142 for 8, with the main protagonists being Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy [4-31] and Veteran Andy Timpson [2-22] Gareth Powell and Richard James also chipped in with a wicket each Brecon finally all out for 163.

Alex Holmes a bright star for the future

Abergavenny 3rd X1 v Monmouth 2nd X1- Monmouth were bowled out for 136 Abergavenny 3rds winning by 6 wickets 137-4.



Monmouth 2nd X1 batted first at posted just 136 all out. Young Alex Holmes [Pictured Left] taking 4 for 15 in just 3.2 overs. Craig Whistance 2 for 38 and Colin Griffiths 4 for 18. In Reply young Alex Holmes again starred with the bat scoring [54 Not Out], ably supported by skipper Mark Winstanley with [37 Not Out] and Ryan Jones [18] as Abergavenny 3rd X1 won by 6 wickets. The following day Alex Holmes played for Gwent Under 15's against a strong Wiltshire team and carried his bat scoring 52 Not Out



Pictured Left the ground looked picturesque in the sunshine

Abergavenny CC hosted Gwent Under 11s today. Well done to @Wilts Cricket who won by 75 runs. A spirited effort from the Gwent boys who stuck at it all the way. Gwent finished 105 all out. Chasing Wiltshire's 177-8



Under 13's- (Back Row), Dan Du Plessis, Logan Williams, Flynn Williams, Tom Norton, Rees Bradley (Front Row), Zente Peterhegyi, James Morris, Jacob Harrington, Steff Davies, Ojas Shanbhag, Dylan Bradley May 18th

Abergavenny 1st X1 at home to Miskin Manor

Miskin Manor batted first after being inserted by Will Glenn. They lost a very early wicket as one of the openers was out the first ball he faced, caught Will Glen bowled Adam Harrison, there was then a stand for the 2nd wicket of 80 runs. But after that wickets fell at reasonably regular intervals with Abergavenny's six bowlers all contributing David Clarke [2-43], Sam Clarke [2-27] and Ben Morris [2-30] all with 2 wickets each and Geraint Leach, Ben Davies and Adam Harrison with one wicket each. Miskin all out for 188 runs in the 49th over. Abergavenny in chasing down the target started well and put on 49 for the first wicket Will Glenn departing

having contributed [32] runs. Adam Harrison followed quickly with the score on 54. There then followed a match winning partnership of 86 between Luke Bowen [58] and Gareth Burkitt [42]. This was followed by a slight 'wobble' which was corrected by Sam Clarke [19*] seeing Abergavenny home for the loss of 8 wickets at 194 -8. Abergavenny are away to Cardiff Gymkhana CC next week.

Abergavenny 2nd X1 away at Abercynon CC

The 2nd X1 lost comprehensively at Abercynon they didn't field very well dropping a number of catches, after inserting Abercynon 1st X1 on what looked a very green underprepared wicket. The outfield also made it difficult for ground fielding. The bowlers toiled away and after some early success for openers Gareth Powell [2-30] Huw Griffiths [2-24] Richard James [2-26] and Lewis Wilkes-McCarthy [1-30] Abercynon went on to amass a very unlikely 221 for 8 as spinners Andy Timpson and Tom Pipe leaked 102 runs from 13 overs, they were also the two bowlers who had a number of catches dropped off their bowling. The burly figure of Darren Reeby completing an undefeated century [113 Not Out] In reply Abergavenny 2nd X1 lost their opener in the first over and struggled thereafter with just Tom Pipe [11] Lee Fury [11] and skipper Steve Brown [22] reaching double figures. Being finally all out for just 86 in 29 Overs. The 2nd X1 are at home next week to Cardiff CC 3rd X1.

Abergavenny 3rd X1 at home in Crickhowell to Creigiau CC 2nd X1

Abergavenny 3rd X1 won the toss and elected to field- Creigiau 2nd X1 who scored 174-7 in their 40 overs. In reply Abergavenny 3rd X1 were bowled out for 155- twenty short of their victory target. However emerging young cricketer Tom Norton had a great game, bowling [1 -20] and batting [59*] with distinction. As did Alex Holmes scoring [20] runs. Colin Griffiths took 3-22. Owain Bradley, Gavin Nash and Alex Holmes with 1 wicket each.



Friday May 17th –The All Stars programme commenced at Avenue Road, pictured left is Nick Kinman with some of the 50 + children who turned up.

Abergavenny 1st X1 were away at Cardiff Gymkhana, who play on the big open spaces of Llandaff Fields. Gymkhana batted first and made what looked after 15 overs an unlikely 217. At one point they were 61 for 0 only to collapse to 76-6 with spin twins Sam Clarke [3-19] and Ben Davies [2-20] in 20 overs putting a stranglehold on the Gymkhana batsmen. The lower order of the Cardiff outfit then hit out taking the score from 102-7 to 217 all out. Adam Harrison once again bowled well taking 2-40.



In reply skipper Will Glenn [14] and Andrew Jones [46] – Pictured Left-got off to a flier and Abergavenny seemed set to make light work of their target putting on 48 in the first 6 overs, this momentum was continued by Morgan Bevans [55] and Adam Harrison [15] as they took the score to 142 when Adam was unfortunately run out. The middle order of Lewis Holley [24] and Greg Fury [24] took Abergavenny on to 198-7 but alas the tail could not get Abergavenny over the line and they were all out for 214, just 4 runs short of victory.

The 2nd X1 were at home to Cardiff CC 3rd x1 Abergavenny 2nd x1 inserted Cardiff 3rds and they made 242 for 6, one wicket each for Griffiths, Beaumont-Welsh and Knight and 3wickets for Lewis Wilkes-McCarthy. In reply the 2nd X1 started really well with the front three batsmen all making decent scores-Gareth Powell [60] Tom Pipe [25]

Lee Fury [42*] Huw Griffiths [40*] was still with Fury at the wicket when they run out of overs closing short of their target on 209-5.

The 3rd X1 had their fixture forfeited with Ponthir unable to raise a side due to Newport being in the Wembley Play off with Tranmere.

On the Bank Holiday Monday Abergavenny 1st X1 were at home to local rivals Usk CC who on the Saturday had destroyed Chepstow with their new signing Mika Ekstrom taking 7-25. At Abergavenny The match was the victim of Duckworth Lewis which was implemented with an adjusted Target for Usk CC, Batting first Abergavenny making an impressive 267 all out in their 50th over. With Andrew Jones [23] Greg Fury [30] Gareth Burkitt [66] Lewis Holley [78] Gareth Powell [13] and Sam Clarke [22] a 127 run stand between Burkitt and Holley was the highlight whilst the other batsmen contributed to an all round team effort, the aforementioned Ekstrom was handled well by all batsmen, he took 2-49 in his spell of 10 overs. Usks revised target was 196 from 30 overs. They lost wickets regularly as all the Abergavenny bowlers shared the spoils. Usk were eventually 22 short of their revised target after 30 overs – 174-9. Greg Fury involved in 3 dismissals with 2 catches and a run out. Ben Morris 1-40, David Clarke 1-43, Geraint Leach 2-35, Sam Clarke 1-31, and Ben Davies 2-22.

Team	p	w	l	c	a	lcn	wcn	t	BatP	BowlP	Pen	Pts	NRR
Sudbrook CC	6	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	23	25	0	98	1.71
Abergavenny CC	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	22	28	0	90	0.41
Pontypool CC	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	20	27	0	87	0.44
Chepstow CC	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	24	19	0	83	0.2
Blackwood Town CC	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	21	21	0	82	-0.02
Usk CC	6	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	22	25	0	72	0.86
Cardiff Gymnastics CC	6	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	17	19	3	63	-0.42
Pontypool CC	6	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	11	17	0	58	-0.03
Wishaw Manor CC	6	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	18	22	0	50	-0.27
Monmouth CC	5	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	14	15	0	39	-0.72
Croesyceilog CC	6	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	14	13	0	37	-1.53
Brecon CC	5	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	9	13	20	27	-0.56

The Division One Table after 6 rounds of matches- Sudbrook on top narrowly in front of Abergavenny CC



Pictured Left-Club Chairman and 2nd X1 spinner- injured while playing for Wales Seniors. He won't be available for a few weeks

On Saturday June 1st Abergavenny 1st X1 hosted newly promoted Monmouth CC, batting first Abergavenny got away to a flier as openers Greg Fury [36] and Andrew Jones set about the Monmouth attack .Greg appeared to be unlucky to have an LBW appeal against him upheld when the score was [56] This brought Morgan Bevans to the wicket to join Andrew Jones.

The pair stayed together until the 49th over adding [245] for the 2nd wicket, they treated the crowd to a master class of batsmanship, admittedly Andrew had a couple of lives as Monmouth out fielding which was not great saw a number of dropped chances. They paid for the missed chances as Andrew went on to complete his 24th century [130] for the Club. Morgan Bevans also completed a century and was not out at the close with [121] runs Abergavenny 1st X1 306-2 at the close. In reply Monmouth set about the daunting task in a positive manner, helped by some indifferent bowling with all bowlers a little off line allowing for shots either side of the wicket. Even Abergavenny's spinners normally so economical came in for some harsh treatment. Their 20 overs costing 132 runs with no wickets. Monmouth went from 53-2 to 180-3 in quick time and the 5th wicket partnership of 92 saw them home in the 48th over. A real blow to Abergavenny's chances of promotion.



Pictured above Andrew Jones [130], Morgan Bevans [121 Not Out] and the Scoreboard

The 2nd X1 were away at Pontnewynydd against their 1st X1 – Abergavenny elected to bat first and scored a very competitive 234-7 in their allotted 45 overs on a pitch that offered some help for the bowlers with some variable bounce. There were good knocks by skipper Steve Brown [51] who, with young Tom Pipe [14] put on 56 for the 1st wicket. Brown then added another 41 for the 2nd wicket with Lee Fury [33]. Then there was another really good partnership between Fury and Richie Roberts taking the score to 171 -4 when Lee Fury was run out, from that point on it was down to Richie Roberts who's display of clean hitting down the ground ensured Abergavenny posted a decent target, Roberts just missed out on a century falling to a catch on the boundary off the penultimate ball of the Abergavenny innings for [97] which included 10 fours and 6 sixes. In reply Pontnewynydd were well up with the rate for the first 20 overs with Joe Matthews playing particularly well for 84. The key to Abergavenny halting the progress was the regular fall of wickets, with Huw Griffiths and Ben Morris both picking up key scalps in the first 10 overs. 2 pivotal moments in the Pontnewynydd reply fell Abergavenny's way with Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy picking up two wickets in an over to break a key partnership followed by Chai Sanapala claiming the prize scalp of Matthews in the 26th over. Pontnewynydd's tail could not manage to get their side over the line with the Abergavenny bowlers dismissing their hosts for 172 with Huw Griffiths taking 3-59, Ben Morris 2-30, Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy 2-35, Chai Sanapala 1-12 and Richard James 2-9. Abergavenny claimed a maximum 20pts and now sit 4th in the table 1 point off an automatic promotion spot. Next week sees Abergavenny 2nd X1 host Abercarn 1st X1 at Avenue Rd (start 1230). The 3rd X1 had their game forfeited.



June 8th – Abergavenny 1st X1 travelled to Pontypridd - Ynysangharad Park with little hope of starting on time due to the rain on Friday and the unsettled nature of the weather. However they started on time and in a reduced game 45 overs per side, were asked to bat when Pontypridd won the toss. Will Glenn and the returning Luke Bowen [29] put on a solid 50 for the first wicket. Adam Harrison [27] then joined the skipper Glenn and they put on a further 55 when Will Glenn was out one short of his half century [49] Gareth Powell retired when on [16] and Lewis Holley [24 Not Out] batted with David Clarke and Dan Cooke who was making his belated first appearance of the season- to take the score to 170-5 in their 45 Overs.

Pictured Above-Greg Fury & Morgan Bevans

In reply Ali Saeed [55] batted well but then other batsmen found Dan Cooke difficult to handle as he claimed 5 wickets in his 9 over spell. Clean bowling four of the five wickets finishing with [5-46] Adam Harrison kept control in his 9 over opening spell finishing with [0-17] Geraint Leach took the wicket of the half centurion Ali Saeed and followed up with a caught and bowled. Ben Davies who had a torrid time last week against his old club Monmouth showed great maturity to bounce back with [2-11] from his nine overs. Leaving Pontypridd at 105-9 after 36 overs. Geraint Leach picked up the final wicket finishing with [3-10] as Pontypridd were all out for 118. Abergavenny winning by 52 runs

The 2nd X1 were at home to Abercarn CC 1st x1 – who inserted the Abergavenny 2nd X1 – who 201 all out in 41.3 overs thus failing to use up their allocation. All of the front five batsmen made starts but none of them were able

to go on and build a big score. Drew Heffernan [32] Tom Pipe [27] Matthew Knight [40] Steve Brown [22] and Richie Roberts [28] the remaining Abergavenny players apart from Huw Griffiths who chipped in with [30 Not Out] failed to make an impression.

In reply Abercarn 1st X1 saw their early batsmen struggle against the new ball and were 2 for 1, 5 for 2 and then 25 for 3 and 32 for 4 to put Abergavenny in control, a 68 run stand for the 5th wicket saw Abercarn reach 100 for 4 wickets. They then lost two more quick wickets to find themselves 111-6, there followed a mini revival to take them to 168. Abercarn's Wicket Keeper /skipper with a top score of [74] They run out of overs when they were still 23 runs short of victory finishing on 179 for 8 wickets. For Abergavenny the bowlers stuck to their task and opening bowlers Dylan Beaumont-Welsh [3-21] and Huw Griffiths [1-23] did really well. Supported by Richard James, Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy and skipper Steve Brown who also took wickets. Enabling Abergavenny to take 19 points.

The 3rd X1 were away at Dinas Powys- Batting first they scored 143 All Out with the bulk of the runs coming from the top order- Kyle Holmes [8] Alex Holmes [14] Tom Norton [16] Craig Ienane [43] and skipper Mark Winstanley [20] In reply Dinas Powys were all out for 83-2 wickets each for Gavin Nash, Colin Griffiths and Owain Bradley and [3-10] for young Tom Norton

Saturday June 15th-Abergavenny 1st X1 home to Chepstow in a 'Double Header' League and Welsh Cup- Chepstow batted first in a reduced 30 overs per side. Abergavenny were on top throughout the Chepstow innings, Abergavenny bowlers Sam Clarke [3-23] Geraint Leach [3-11] were very impressive as was Dan Cooke in his second game back in the side with [2-13] Adam Harrison also chipped in with 1 wicket. Abergavenny in reply did not make a good fist of chasing the relatively low score to win and fell victim to Malith Madurasinghe who cut through the top order taking 4 wickets in a couple of overs including skipper Will Glenn [11] which saw Abergavenny struggling at 29-5 in the 17th over. Greg Fury [28] and Adam Harrison [129 Not out] showed some spirit but it was too little and Abergavenny were disappointedly bowled out for 75 Runs, a massive blow in both the League and to progression in the Welsh Cup

The Second X1 meanwhile were away at Pontypridd and played a reduced overs match due to the heavy rain of the previous few days. The Pontypridd groundstaff worked tirelessly to get the game on and both sides were rewarded with a 25 overs-a-side game. Unfortunately, Aber skipper Steve Brown lost the toss and was immediately asked to bat on a wet track. Aber were dismissed for only 84 runs in 24 Overs with players unsure how to battle the conditions and unsure as to what a good score would be. For Aber, just 4 players reached double figures- Gareth Powell [20] Drew Heffernan [16] Steve Brown [13] and Richard James [10] With only one substantial partnership of 30 runs between Gareth Powell and Drew Heffernan. For Ponty, the damage was done by Lee Parry and Rhys Lacey with 7-28 between them.

As it turned out, Aber were about 5 runs short of a winning total as Ponty struggled on the drying wicket to get bowlers Richard James and Jimmy Watkins away, and despite being 30-0 from 10 overs conspired to collapse to 70-6 with 3 over left. Aber picked up a wicket in the penultimate over to leave the hosts requiring 7 off the last over. However, it was not to be Aber's day as balls dropped between fielders and ricocheted off stumps before a winning boundary was struck with only 3 balls left leaving Ponty the victors by 3 wickets.

Aber take 6 points from the game and will look to improve their points tally in the local derby at Llanarth this Saturday.



Pictured above-Western Mail Report-Drying the ground

First X1 Table Below after Week 9

Team	p	w	l	c	a	lcn	wcn	t	BatP	BowlP	Pen	Pts	NRR
Chepstow CC	9	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	35	33	0	138	0.51
Sudbrook CC	9	6	1	2	0	0	0	0	28	30	0	128	1.55
Usk CC	9	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	36	40	0	121	1.65
Abergavenny CC	9	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	30	40	0	120	0.42
Penttyrch CC	9	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	28	37	0	120	0.38
Blackwood Town CC	9	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	26	29	0	110	-0.41
Miskin Manor CC	9	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	31	34	0	95	-0.11
Cardiff Gymkhana CC	9	4	3	2	0	0	0	0	21	24	3	92	-0.29
Monmouth CC	9	3	5	1	0	0	0	0	27	23	0	85	-0.54
Pontypridd CC	9	2	4	2	1	0	0	0	17	24	0	76	-0.34
Croesyceiliog CC	9	1	7	1	0	0	0	0	21	20	0	56	-1.46
Brecon CC	9	2	5	1	1	0	0	0	14	23	20	47	-1.36



New Nets

Morgan Bevan being presented his wales minor counties cap



, New Nets & Cap for Morgan Bevans



Pictured Left- The new furniture in the Club Lounge- Saturday June 22nd Fixtures- The 1st X1 were at home to Pentyrch – Abergavenny batted first and made a very respectable 238 All Out Thanks mainly to skipper Will Glenn who made a fine century [116]. The 4th by an Abergavenny 1st X1 player this Season. They lost Luke Bowen very early



And then Adam Harrison [22] before they reached 50. There were a couple of good partnerships then between Glenn and Burkitt [28] and Glen and Holley [28] Abergavenny were in a very strong position at 206 for 4 unfortunately they lost the last 6 wickets for a meagre 32 Runs with still 15 balls still left in their allocation of overs. In reply there was a 'copy cat' innings by the Pentyrch opener Lewis Coates who scored [109] steering the Pentyrch X1 to 228 for 7 when he was eventually out bowled by Dan Cooke, this after being 59 for 4 at one stage. The two Clarkes, Harrison and Leach taking one wicket each, and Dan Cooke and Ben Davies with two wickets each in a losing effort as Pentyrch got home with 2 wickets to spare in the 49th Over.

Abergavenny 2nd X1 were away at local village side Llanarth and were invited to bat first, despite only losing 2 wickets in their 45 Overs they only managed to post 175 for 2. Thanks mainly to the economic bowling of Lomax and Heath who only conceded 49 runs in their combined 18 overs. The runs for Abergavenny came from Gareth Powell [23] Tom Pipe [53] his first half century of the season. Drew Hefferman [68 Not Out] also his first half century of the season and Richie Roberts [20 Not Out] In reply with Llanarth 30 for 2 the 2nd X1 were in with a chance however this was soon dashed with solid runs from Mark Baxter and the Llanarth Middle order seeing them over the line at 176-4 with 5 Overs to spare. Huw Griffiths bowled really well with 9 Overs 2-14 and there was a wicket apiece for Sanapala and Wilkes-McCarthy. In Division 9- The 3rd X1 were away at Ebbw Vale, Eugene Cross Park where Ebbw Vale opted to bat first with all of the first six batsmen getting a good start they managed to reach 178 for 7 in their 40 Overs There were two wickets each for Owain Bradley and young Tom

Norton and one wicket each for Griffiths and Nash , in between a smart run out effected by Nick Kinman. In reply Abergavenny 3rd X1 were indebted to their middle and lower order led by skipper Mark Winstanley [25] Rhodri Townsend [36] and Will Jones with [44] Owain Bradley [18 Not Out] saw them home by one wicket hitting the winning runs in the final over .



Pictured Left- Geraldine Bruton oversees the planting of a tree in memory of her husband long time Abergavenny CC stalwart who sadly passed away earlier this year. **Michael 'Slicker' Bruton 21/12/1945-19/01/2019**



June 29th-Saturday- 1st X1 away at Sudbrook. They won the toss and batted first. Greg Fury fell fairly early with just 18 on the board. In steps Adam Harrison and along with skipper Will Glenn took the score to 123 when Will Glenn fell for [52] the partnership was worth 105 for the 2nd wicket. Gareth Burkit [3] came and went cheaply. Lewis Holley [5] hung around with Harrison taking the score to 152 for 4.



Pictured left- Young Drew Heffernan built a partnership with Adam Harrison taking the score to 184 before Adam fell for a splendid [77] Heffernan [32 Not Out] and Sam Clarke [15 Not Out] remained together seeing out the overs and taking Abergavenny to a total of 213 for 5 in their 50 Overs. In reply. Sudbrook also lost an early wicket when their score was 23, there was then an 111 run partnership for the 2nd wicket taking their score to 134-2, they lost two more wickets with the score on 137 and then another on 138. Leaving them 138-5. The damage was done by Geraint Leach and young Ben Morris. At the close Sudbrook were 8wickets down and 11 runs short. Geraint Leach finished with season best figures of 5-32 and Ben Morris with 2-23. Abergavenny taking 18 points from this fine victory.

The 2nd X1 were at home to Radyr 3rd X1 and lost heavily by 8wickets. Batting first Abergavenny 2nd X1 only managed 150-6 in their 45 overs. Radyr 3rd X1 knocked off the required runs for the loss of just 2 wickets with 14 Overs to spare.

Abergavenny 3rd X1 were at home in Crickhowell to St Fagan's 3rd X1 and despite a pretty good score batting first- 180-8 in their 40 overs , good knocks by Mark Winstanley with [43] and Daniel Bowen with [71] and Ellis Jones [31] they lost really heavily in just the 25th over as St Fagan's reached their winning target for the loss of just 1 wicket

Saturday July 6th- Abergavenny 1st X1 were away at Brecon CC on a green looking wicket Will Glenn winning the toss put Brecon in to Bat. The early Brecon batsmen used the aerial route but the Abergavenny bowlers kept chipping away with wickets, Dan Cooke bowled with pace and removed opener Williams for 4 with just 7 on the board, the other opener fell to Adam Harrison with the score on 33, there was a stand then of 50 for the 3rd wicket, but that was the only real partnership of the Brecon innings as they slipped to 146 All Out, all the bowlers chipped in with wickets Geraint Leach, Sam Clarke and Dan Cooke with 2 wickets each and Harrison, Morris and Davies with one each.



Pictured Left-Brecon CC Pavilion- In reply Abergavenny lost skipper Will Glenn [26] with the score on 37, he had a leading edge working the ball to leg and being caught at Mid off. Morgan Bevans nicked one to the keeper and Luke Bowen was out LBW, leaving Abergavenny at 49-3, this left Greg Fury and Adam Harrison to attempt to rebuild, Adam was steady but Greg [18] showed all his usual 'dash' but after a few lusty blows he holed out at deep mid wicket to a running catch with the score on 76. Drew Hefferman was out to a superb caught and bowled effort by John Kenchington,

which left Adam with the middle order and tail still needing 49 for victory, rain put a short halt to proceedings. When Abergavenny resumed Sam Clarke was out for [10] 120-6 however Dan Cooke [23] and Adam Harrison [39] saw them home in the 41st over for a 4 wicket victory. Next week 1st X1 home to Blackwood,

The 2nd X1 were at Home to Lisvane and recorded a very good total batting first 218 for 6 wickets. The top six batsmen all getting runs without anyone of them going on to a big score -top scorers were Gareth Powell [46] Tom Pipe [36] and out of form 1st X1 player David Clarke showing his class with [47 Not Out] Skipper Steve Brown also chipped in with a solid [32]. Lisvane were soon in trouble at 73 for 5 with David Clarke and Huw Griffiths bowling searching early spells. Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy the 2nd X1 leading wicket taker bowled well for a return of 3-30 from his nine overs. Griffiths and Clarke had two wickets each. The 10th wicket pair for Lisvane made life difficult and Abergavenny were unable to separate them as they finished 28 runs short at 190 for 9. Next week the 2nd X1 are Away to Brecon CC

The 3rd X1 were away at Pontymister & Crosskeys CC - 2nd XI- Abergavenny 3rd X1 batted first and scored 179 all out in their 40 overs. Runs for Daniel Bowen [61] In a close game Pontymister & Crosskeys CC - 2nd XI won in the final over with just one wicket in hand finishing on 180-9. Star Bowler was Eoin Shackleton with 4 for 35. The victory saw Pontymister & Crosskeys CC - 2nd XI leapfrog Abergavenny 3rd X1 to go top of Division 9. Next week the 3rd X1 are home to Monmouth CC

July 13th- Abergavenny 1st X1 won the toss and batted first against Blackwood CC. They got away to a very good start as Andrew Jones and skipper Will Glenn put on 113 for the first wicket, when skipper Glenn [35] was out. There was then another stand between Andrew Jones [76] and Morgan Bevans. Followed by a further good stand between Bevans and Lewis Holley [51] taking Abergavenny to 236-4. Morgan Bevans then batted with the late middle order to take the score to 288-6 at the close, with Bevans [72*]

Abergavenny struck very early on in the Blackwood reply and reduced Blackwood to 13-2 and 40-3, Blackwood skipper Andrew Clark however batted well and was [52 Not Out] in the 17th over with the score on 67-3.



But, when he was dismissed there followed a mini collapse as they found life difficult against the Abergavenny attack and they slumped to 84-6 after 25 overs. Young Ben Morris and Adam Harrison doing the damage. Harrison finished his 10 over spell with 3 for 27. A partnership of 36 for the 7th wicket developed between Neil Reardon and wicket keeper Adam Lusardi but when that was broken the 8th wicket soon followed with the score on 124 with 15 overs remaining. Ben Davies [Pictured Left] with his left arm spin taking two quick wickets, supported by his spin partner Sam Clarke who cleaned up the tail with 3-26. Blackwood 134 all out

The 2nd X1 were away at Brecon CC and batted first. The top six batsmen all made really good starts but none of them went on to make a big score. Gareth Powell [27] Tom Pipe [13] Gareth Burkitt [28] Lee Fury [34] Steve Brown [36 Not Out] and Matthew Knight [20] eventually they reached 188 for the loss of just 5 wickets in their allotted 45 overs. This score proved to be inadequate as the Brecon 2nd X1 took a liking to the Abergavenny bowling attack and reached their target for the loss of 2 wickets in just 29 Overs. Matthew Knight and Eoin Shackleton taking one wicket apiece.



The 3rd X1 were at home on the picturesque Crickhowell ground to Monmouth 2nd X1, they decided to bat and Father and Son combination opened for Abergavenny Kyle [Pictured Left] and Alex Holmes, they put on 57 for the 1st wicket before the junior Holmes was out for [17] unfortunately the rest of the team could not support The Senior Holmes who went on to make [66] runs as wickets fell around him rapidly and from 57 for 0 wicket they lost 7 wickets for 31 runs to reach 88-7. They crawled to 119-9 in their 40 overs.

Abergavenny 3rd X1 bowlers attempted to make up for the poor batting display as Monmouth 2nd X1 were only slightly better in their response- they were 39 for 4 when they enjoyed a 59 run partnership for the 5th wicket, with their opener Ian Morgan still at the crease he went on to make [61] and [23] runs from the Monmouth skipper Chris Chalk and [12 not out] from Aled Jones saw Monmouth limp over the line at 122 for 9 in their 36th over. Wickets for Abergavenny 3rds –Gavin Nash 2-27, Tom Norton 3-28, Craig Lenane 2-12 and Colin Griffiths 1-22.



Pictured Left Will Glenn and Andrew Jones- July 20th 2019- 1st X1 away to Miskin Manor CC, surprisingly due to the precipitation during the previous evening and early morning making the outfield slow Abergavenny won the toss and batted. The game due to the weather was reduced to 45 overs per side. Contrary to wisdom it looked a reasonable decision as skipper Will Glenn and Andrew Jones once again got the team off to a great start making 133 runs for the first wicket when Andrew was out for a magnificent [81] Morgan Bevens [13] who will skipper Wales Under 17 next week against Northampton took to score to 159-2, then when skipper Will Glenn [69] was out with the score on 183- things went quickly down hill as wickets fell regularly just when acceleration was required as Abergavenny lost 6 wickets for just 31 runs. Their final score a disappointing 214 -8.

Man of the Match the Miskin skipper Daniel Hay taking 6-29.. With the outfield exposed to the wind and sun giving Miskin better value for their shots Abergavenny needed to make early in-roads and to a certain extent did just that as they reduced Miskin to 28-2 and 107-4, however that was as much as they could manage and the star bowler for Miskin Daniel Hay became the star batsman as he finished on [98 Not out] Miskin passing their target with 2 overs and 6 wickets to spare. Abergavenny spin twins Sam Clarke and Ben Davies taking 2-67 between them in their 18 Overs. This was a body blow for Abergavenny promotion hopes especially with leaders Chepstow losing to Monmouth CC.



Pictured Far Left-The idiosyncratic Oak Tree inside the outfield at Miskin and Left Andrew Jones returning after his superb knock of [81] scored in a partnership with skipper Will Glenn of 133 for the first wicket.

The 2nd X1 were at home to League 5 leaders Abercynon 1st X1 who won the toss and inserted Abergavenny- they did get to 103 for 2 at one stage and it looked like a score in excess of 200 was possible- runs from skipper Steve Brown [55] his highest score of the season and [35] from young Tom Pipe ensured a good base but they fell away a little despite the efforts of Nathan Holley [34 Not Out] just failing to reach the 200 they finished on 198 for 7 after their 45 overs.

In reply Abergavenny made some early inroads into the Abercynon batsmen with Geraint Leach making his seasonal appearance for the 2nd X1 opening the bowling and taking 3 for 39 off his 9 Overs. Dylan Beaumont-Welsh also bowled well with 1-29 from his 9 Overs, the skipper himself took some late wickets 2-28 but this was not enough to prevent Abercynon winning in the 42nd Over by 4 wickets to complete the double over Abergavenny.

The 3rd X1 were away to Creigau 2nd X1 and lost by 2 wickets- batting first the 3rd X1 were once again thankful for veteran Kyle Homes who for the 2nd week running past 60 runs in a total of 148 for 6 in their 40 overs, other contributions were from youngsters Alex Holmes [14] Daniel Bowen [12] Tom Norton [22] and Ellis Jones [12] Despite the low total to chase Creigau 2nd X1 didn't have things all their own way and only managed to get the winning runs in the 35th over with 8 wickets down. Good bowling again from Youngsters with Eoin Shackleton the star for the second week running taking 3 for 33 from his 8 overs, Craig Lehane also took 2 for 19 from his 8 overs. Persevering with the youngsters will stand the club in good stead as they develop and grow.



Wales U17 boys play Northants at Avenue Road starting July 23rd- Northants currently 43-3 off 18overs ... Jack Billington (1) and Zac Essinhigh (2) with the wickets . Two Abergavenny Boys selected to play Morgan Bevens as Captain and Ben Davies. The Ladies Section were praised for their hospitality and Catering.



Wales Under 17 v Northants at Avenue Road Morgan Bevens scoring 100 off 61 Balls

Saturday July 27th- In some ways the cricket was overshadowed by the celebrations at the Club for long standing ground worker Ray Hamer who celebrated his 75th Birthday. However Abergavenny 1st X1 gained revenge for a defeat in Cardiff earlier in the season when they totally outplayed Cardiff Gymkhana at Avenue Road. Winning the toss Abergavenny inserted Gymkhana -they took an early wicket as Dan Cooke bowled one of the openers for a 'duck' they were 51 for 2 after 17 overs but thanks to some lusty blows by the middle order they pushed their score after 50 overs to 228 for 9. Dan Cooke with 3-39 and Sam Cooke with 4-63 were the main wicket takers, there was a run out effected by Ben Davies and one wicket for Geraint Leach. Abergavenny's two reliable opening batsmen Captain Will Glenn and the evergreen Andrew Jones once again set a solid foundation with a 71 run partnership for the first wicket will Glenn [41] that brought in the promoted Dan Cooke to the wicket and along

with Andrew Jones put on 110 for the second wicket with Dan Cooke hitting the ball to all parts of Avenue Road for an exciting [74] with Nine fours and three sixes. Andrew was the last wicket to fall with the score on 220 having made an excellent [76] this left Morgan Bevans and Gareth Burkitt to see the side home with 13 overs to spare.

The 2nd X1 travelled to Cardiff and were involved in a nail biting game of cricket, batting first put up their best batting performance for a good few weeks and finished their 45 Overs on 239-8. This was due to-Gareth Powell [89] and Lee Fury [45] after losing young Tom Pipe early for [9] other contributors were skipper Steve Brown [13] Chai Sanapala [16] and Craig Whistance [26 Not Out]

The 2nd X1 welcomed back Club Chairman Andy Timpson after a long lay off with a leg injury. In reply Cardiff 3rd X1 passed the total with 1 wicket remaining and just 4 balls to spare. Sanapala and Wilkes-McCarthy took a wicket each, Andy Timpson and Steve Brown 2 wickets each and there was a season best from Greg Spencer with 3-39.



Pictured Left at Crickhowell- Abergavenny 3rd X1- Standing Left toRight- R.Townsend, T.Wood,E.Jones, O.Bradley, J. Heffaran, K.Holmes. Front Row L-R- A.Holmes, C.Griffiths, M.Winstanley [Capt] D.Bowen, T.Norton.

Batting first against Ponthir they got away to a good start with D.Bowen striking the ball well as his opening partner young Alex Holmes kept the board ticking. Bowen was out for a well made half Century [54] with the score on 75. This saw Kyle Holmes join his son at the crease and they put on a good partnership of [47] for the 2nd wicket.

Yet another promising young player Tom Norton joined Alex Holmes and they were just getting going when Tom was adjudged lbw for [11] Alex Holmes was eventually 4th out with the score on 175, he had played really well for his [44] runs, some late order unselfish hitting out ensured Abergavenny 3rd X1 passed 200 and when their innings closed they had reached 207 for 7.

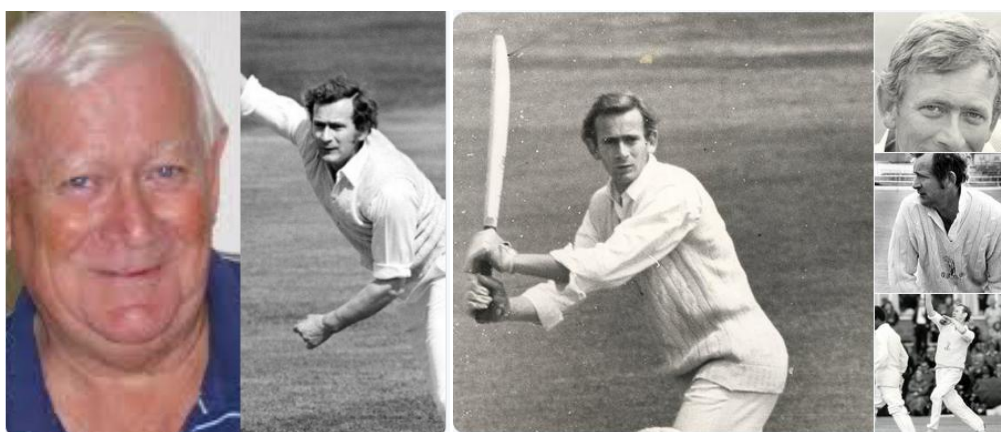
Ponthir in their reply were always in the game but still required 120 runs to win from the last 20 overs, Mark Winstanley used six bowlers to try and put the pressure on the Ponthir Batsmen but their top seven batsmen all made useful contributions, at 165-5 there was a slight chance of an Abergavenny victory but it wasn't to be and Ponthir reached their target with 9 balls to spare, Hefferan, Wood and Griffiths took one wicket each and Rhodri Townsend took 2-48. This was the 3rd X1 5th loss on the trot.



On Sunday an Abergavenny Friendly X1 played Rogerstone away . Abergavenny were winners by about 15 runs with Dan Bowen-pictured Left with a Century his first for the club



Pictured above-Tom Norton who scored a Fifty for Gwent Juniors



On July 30th the Club received sad news about the sudden death of Malcolm Nash aged 74. he started his career at the Club from where he was picked up by Glamorgan CCC
Malcolm Nash, played for Glamorgan CCC from 1966 to 1983 when he was released by Glamorgan needing just 7 runs to join the 1,000 wicket club.

In 1966 Malcolm made his First Class Debut aged 21 years. In 1967 he played in an all Welsh Glamorgan X1 against Yorkshire at Harrogate and made his List A debut.

In 1968 as well as being part of a World record when he was hit for six sixes by Sobers at St Helen's, he took 6-50 in 25 overs against The Australian Tourists as Glamorgan defeated them for the 2nd time.

Although he didn't play for England, he was at one time very close to selection. Despite this his first class wicket haul is greater than Stephen Watkins [902] and Jeff Jones [511] who both played for England. He was 5th in the all time wicket takers list for Glamorgan, he also captained the County for two Seasons. One of only 28 people to hold that office in 98 years.

In the championship year of 1969 he was possibly the main contributor to that success. He was awarded his County Cap as he took 80 wickets and scored 566 runs in first class cricket.

Up to 1988 Malcolm was the all time leading wicket taker in 40 Over, 55 Over and 60 Over Cricket by some distance.

In 1970 he was the 2nd Highest wicket taker behind Don Shepherd and also scored over 600 runs as Glamorgan finished 2nd in the County Championship. He also that year scored the fastest televised fifty against Kent at Swansea.

He was leading wicket taker in 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1980 and 1981. It would be difficult to find a Glamorgan Bowler who achieved anything like that. In his FINAL season, he still had the best economy rate in JPL of all the bowlers at 2.55 per Over.

Abergavenny CC offer sincere condolence to his Family and friends especially his daughter Amba
RIP

Saturday August 3rd 2019- Abergavenny 1st X1 travelled the short distance to play Monmouth, who earlier in the season at Avenue caused an upset by successfully chasing over 300.

Batting first those two stalwart openers Andrew Jones and Will Glenn once again gave the team a great start putting on 97 for the first wicket when Glenn was out for a well made [49] his partner Andrew Jones was the next to fall with the score on 145, Jones having made [71] his 4th score of 70 plus in his last five innings. A collapse ensued as Abergavenny went from 145-1 to 156-5 and things didn't look good however last weeks hero Dan Cooke and wicket keeper Lewis Holley had other ideas and they rescued the situation with a fantastic 114 run partnership Holley [47] and Dan Cooke [70 Not out] ensuring Abergavenny set a formidable target of 270-6. Monmouth like Abergavenny had a reasonable start and lost their first wicket with the score on [48] the Abergavenny bowlers stuck to the task and all bowled well, wickets fell at regular intervals up to 139 for 4 there was a partnership of 35 for the Monmouth 6th wicket but after that it was once a matter of time before they were all out for 196 runs, with Dan Cooke [3-25] cleaning up the tail, whilst Sam Clarke [2-43] Adam Harrison who bowled extremely well for his [3-13] and Geraint Leach [2-49] all ensured the Bowling unit delivered the result they deserved.



Pictured Left-Dan Cooke with 70 not out, 2 catches and 3 wickets was the easy choice as man of the match. Next week the 1st X1 are at home to Pontypridd.



Great respect for Malcolm Nash shown by both Abergavenny and Monmouth 1st X1's prior to their match on Saturday August 3rd

Meanwhile the 2nd X1 were at home to Pontnewynydd 1st X1 looking for a change in fortunes. Pontnewynydd decide to bat first and their early batsmen did ok against the Abergavenny attack and at one point were 128 for 3. After that however wickets fell regularly and the last 7 wickets only managed to add 45 runs thanks in the main to young James Watkins who took 5 for 16 off just 6 Overs. The three spinners between them took the other 5 wickets with 2 each for skipper Steve Brown and Chai Sanapala and one for Andy Timpson, Pontnewynydd eventually all out for 173 in their final over.



The reply could not have been more impressive with a superb century for Luke Bowen [Pictured Left- who opened the innings with young Tom Pipe who himself remained undefeated on [55 not out] Luke Bowen was in imperious form hitting 11 fours and 5 sixes in his 67 ball century Abergavenny 2nd X1 romping home by 9 wickets with the best part of 16 overs to spare. This century by Luke made it a family double as his brother Daniel scored his maiden century last Sunday in a friendly with Rogerstone cc



Tom Pipe [3rd Left] acknowledges his half Century v Pontnewynydd 1st X1



Great respect from both Abergavenny 2nd X1 and Pontnewynydd 1st X1 as a minutes silence was held following the death of one of Abergavenny's all time greats Malcolm Nash who passed away recently

Team	p	w	l	c	a	lcn	wcn	t	BatP	BowlP	Pen	Pts	NRR
Chapelton CC	16	12	4	0	0	0	0	0	70	58	0	248	0.62
Abergavenny CC	16	10	6	0	0	0	0	0	62	69	0	231	0.67
Penttyrch CC	16	10	5	1	0	0	0	0	57	66	0	228	0.38
Usk CC	16	9	6	1	0	0	0	0	59	70	0	224	0.82
Sudbrook CC	16	10	4	2	0	0	0	0	50	55	0	215	1.28
Miskin Manor CC	16	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	62	61	0	203	0.29
Blackwood Town CC	16	7	8	1	0	0	0	0	48	55	0	178	-1.02
Cresyccell CC	16	6	9	1	0	0	0	0	50	54	0	169	-0.14
Monmouth CC	16	6	9	1	0	0	0	0	49	44	0	158	-0.5
Pontypridd CC	16	4	9	2	1	0	0	0	39	48	0	142	-0.64
Cardiff Gymkhana CC	16	4	10	2	0	0	0	0	38	41	3	126	-0.78
Brecon CC	16	3	11	1	1	0	0	0	31	49	20	100	-1.13

League Division 1 Table at Week 16

Wedding Party Cause Havoc

At approximately 9.50pm on Saturday, officers were called to a report of disorder at Abergavenny Cricket Club. One officer sustained injuries to their head and was taken to Neville Hall Hospital for treatment. A 20-year-old woman was arrested on suspicion of public order offences and dealt with via a community resolution order. A 29-year-old was arrested on suspicion of affray, obstructing a constable in execution of duty and criminal damage.

He was been released under investigation. A 22-year-old man was also arrested on suspicion of affray and has been released with no further action.

August 10th 2019- All 3 Teams had their games cancelled today due to heavy winds and Rain and a Yellow weather warning across Wales.

August 17th

Unsurprisingly due to the weather leading up to the weekend both the 1st X1 and 2nd X1 were on the wrong side of low scoring games. At Chepstow Abergavenny 1st X1 were bowled out for just 115 as scoring runs was difficult, wickets fell at regular intervals with players unable to develop meaningful partnerships, the best they could do was three partnerships in the twenties. Andrew Jones [23] Greg Fury [20] and Adam Harrison [21] tried but in vain as the Chepstow bowlers dominated. Although Chepstow didn't find it easy their opener Gareth Ansell managed to hold the innings together with a [50] punctuated with 10 boundaries. With the rest of the team chipping in they got over the line with 4 wickets in hand and 15 overs to spare. David Clarke and Ben Davies taking two wickets apiece. This defeat has probably handed the League title to their opponents Chepstow who increased their lead over Abergavenny.

At Avenue Road it was a similar story for the 2nd X1 against Pontypridd 2nd X1- batting first Pontypridd were bowled out for 131 in 41 Overs with Huw Griffiths [3-21] Ben Morris [2-13] Andy Timpson [2-24] and a wicket each for Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy and Chai Sanapala. Abergavenny at tea would have been quietly confident of victory however it proved equally difficult for them, with only Tom Pipe [33] and Huw Griffiths [17] able to offer any resistance and they were all out in the 37th over for just 96.



Plate Winners at Sudbrook CC

Abergavenny 1st X1 were away to Pentyrch on Saturday August 24th and winning the toss they inserted Pentyrch who enjoyed batting on a sunny day, after losing an early wicket at 22-1 a few partnerships developed the most significant of which was for the 7th wicket which added 87 runs leaving Pentyrch at 259 for 6 at the end of their 50 overs, Ben Davies was the pick of the Abergavenny bowlers taking 3-29 from his 10 Overs and there was one wicket each for Geraint Leach, Dan Cooke and Adam Harrison. In reply as they have often done this season Andrew Jones [43] and skipper Will Glenn [62] provided the perfect platform adding 108 for the 1st wicket. After Will was out there was another good partnership between Adam Harrison [55] and Ieuan Fury [21] for the 4th wicket, when Adam got out it was left to Dan Cooke [49 Not Out] two fours and Five sixes to see Abergavenny home with 4 wickets in hand and 2.3 overs to spare.



The 2nd X1 were at home to local rivals Llanarth 1st X1 and batted first with some menace especially from Luke Bowen who after enjoying a first wicket partnership of 156 with young Tom Pipe [59] went on to make an undefeated 175 in Abergavenny's total of 273 for 2. This was his second century of the season for the 2nd X1 and included 17 fours and 7 sixes. His brother Daniel chipped in with [20] In reply Llanarth made 207 for 8 in their 45 overs with contributions from veteran Mark Baxter [50] David Lomax [63] and Andrew Spencer [43] for Abergavenny the bowling honours went to Ben Morris [3-42] Lewys Wilkes McCarthy [2-27] and skipper Steve Brown [2-14] But the day belonged to Luke Bowen [Pictured Left] with his magnificent innings.

The 3rd X1 played a game at last at Home in Crickhowell against Ebbw Vale 2nd X1, stand in skipper Kyle Holmes winning the toss and batting the 3rd X1 got off to a reasonable start losing their first wicket at 33. They then slumped to 94-5. Thankfully the last 5 wickets added close to 100 runs to see Abergavenny finish on 191 all out. Kyle Holmes leading the way with [49] supported by Gareth Powell [24] Tom Wood [17] Rhodri Townsend [25] and Craig Lenane [18] Ebbw Vale lost early wickets and were 4 for 2 at one stage they rallied briefly their position soon became 98-6. However their tail didn't wag and they were all out for 134 in the 33rd over. 3 Wickets each for Craig Lenane and Richard James, two wickets for Gareth Powell and one each for Hefferan and Nash. The 3rd X1 complete their season next week against Bridgend.

August 31st is the last week of League Cricket for the 2nd and 3rd X1's the 2nd X1 are away to Radyr and the 3rd X1 away to Bridgend. The 1st X1 are at Home to Sudbrook and they finish their campaign with 2 away fixtures at Croesyceiliog and Usk

After winning the toss and batting, The first X1 had one of those days again with Andrew Jones having to retire hurt they actually went from 57-1 to 79 All out. With skipper Will Glenn one of only 3 Abergavenny players to come to grips with the Sudbrook attack. Will Glenn scored [34] and there was [13] runs each for Adam Harrison and Gareth Powell. James Hussey and Dean Wallace did the damage with 5-24 and 3-13 respectively. Sudbrook made short work of reaching their target losing just two wickets as they reached 83-2 in their 18th Over. The whole game only lasted for 45 Overs. Dan Cooke and David Clarke with a wicket each for Abergavenny. The match epitomised the Jekyll and Hyde performances that have dogged the season.

The 2nd X1 played their final fixture away at Radyr 3rd X1 and sadly suffered a poor loss by 10 wickets. Abergavenny 2nd X1 were inserted by Radyr and once again lost wickets regularly unable to build any meaningful partnerships. 29 runs for the fifth wicket being the best. Skipper Steve Brown top scored and set an example with [33] but only Daniel Bowen [17] and Chai Sanapala [11] were able to get into double figures and Abergavenny finished on 105 all out. Despite some accurate bowling by the Abergavenny bowlers Radyr 3rd X1 reached their target in the 25th over finishing on 106 -0.

The 3rd X1 managed to fly the flag for the Club with a good victory to finish their campaign away at St Fagan's whose 1st X1 won the South Wales Premier League this year. Winning the toss Abergavenny 3rd X1 batted first and scored 160 for 9 in their allotted 40 overs, the runs came from Tom Wood the opener [28] and then after the top order went cheaply the lower Middle order and tail ensured a decent score. Dylan Beaumont-Welsh [36] Mihla Sibanda [52] and skipper for the day Kyle Holmes [17 Not Out] In reply St Fagan's 3rd X1 were 124 All Out thanks to -two wickets each for Owain Bradley, Dylan Beaumont-Welsh and Richard James, three wickets from Tom Wood and One wicket for Colin Griffiths.

August 7th

Abergavenny 1st X1 played their penultimate game away at Croesyceiliog on Saturday and were invited to bat first. Skipper Will Glen failed for only the 3rd time in 19 innings and it needed some good batting from Gareth Powell [35] and Adam Harrison who put on 72 runs for the 3rd wicket. Young Tom Pipe who has been pretty consistent at 2nd X1 made his seasonal bow in the 1st X1 and unfortunately failed to score. Abergavenny went from 161-4 to 187 for 7. Adam Harrison was 6th man out and unfortunate not to complete his 2nd Century of the season falling for [95] Dan Cooke once again set about the Croesyceiliog bowlers and hit Five fours and four Sixes for his [53] from 30 balls faced, thus ensuring a very competitive score of 254 for 9. Croesyceiliog got away to a better start than Abergavenny putting on 67 for the first wicket, they then dipped to 97 for 4, but an 84 run partnership followed and that went a long way to sealing their victory scoring 255-6 in the 49th over. Sam Clarke the leading wicket taker for Abergavenny took 3-19 from his 10 overs and there was a wicket apiece for Cooke, Davies and Leach. After being in contention for most of the season, the challenge has petered out recently and the best they can finish now with one game to go is 5th or 6th. Lack of consistency has dogged them this year. But when they put it all together they are more than a match for teams in this Division.

September 14th

Abergavenny 1st X1 completed their season on Saturday with a defeat by local rivals Usk away. Usk won the toss and batted first and they would have been disappointed with their batting as Abergavenny bowlers ensured a steady flow of wickets and they were in trouble at 103 for 8 but the last 2 wickets managed to realise 63 runs and they finished on 166 all out in the 44th over. The Abergavenny bowlers impressed- David Clarke came good in the final game and achieved his best return of the season with 4-35. The ever reliable Sam Clarke [2-40] ensured he remained the leading wicket taker of the season. Ben Morris returned his best figures of the season with 3-24 and Geraint Leach chipped in with one wicket.

Chasing a target that should have been relatively easy Abergavenny found themselves 19-3 hardly the start they wanted Adam Harrison [52] his 4th half century of the season and Dan Cooke [35] went some way to correcting the chase but from 104-6 they faltered and fell 14 runs short of victory tail menders Sam Clarke [21] and Geraint Leach [12] did their best but to no avail.

1st X1 Batting Averages

Name	Inn	Runs	N/O	100	50	H/S	Av
Andrew Jones	10	577	0	1	4	130	58
Morgan Bevans	8	292	3	1	2	121*	58
Adam Harrison	18	607	4	1	4	107*	43
Dan Cooke	11	323	3	0	3	74	40
Will Glenn	20	669	0	1	3	116	33
Gareth Powell	5	82	2	0	0	35	27
Luke Bowen	9	236	0	0	2	93	26
Gareth Burkitt	11	213	2	0	1	66	24
Lewis Holley	16	301	2	0	2	78	22
Greg Fury	10	183	0	0	0	36	18
Sam Clarke	15	116	3	0	0	22	9.7
G.Leach	9	47	2	0	0	10	6.7
David Clarke	13	54	3	0	0	11	5.4
Ben Davies	10	21	2	0	0	6	2.6
Also Batted/Played							
Chai Sanapala	2	8	0	0	0	8	4
Ben Morris	6	13	5	0	0	6*	
Dylan B-Welsh	1	1	1	0	0	1*	
Drew Heffernan	3	34	1	0	0	32*	
Ieaun Fury	4	35	0	0	0	21	
Tom Pipe	2	0	0	0	0	0	
N.Holley							
Steve Brown							
Huw Griffiths							
Lee Fury							
J.Watkins							

Bowling

Name	O	M	R	W	Best	Average	econ
Dan Cooke	75	14	285	20	5 for 46	14.25	3.80
Geraint Leach	106.8	8	526	27	5 for 32	19.48	4.93
Sam Clarke	177.1	23	666	34	3 for 19	19.59	3.76
Ben Davies	163	22	526	26	4 for 25	20.23	3.23
A.Harrison	140.2	22	486	20	3 for 27	24.30	3.47
Ben Morris	69	5	349	13	3 for 24	26.85	5.06
David Clarke	123.3	10	643	16	4 for 35	40.19	5.21
Also Bowled							
Morgan Bevans	0.2	0	4	1	1 for 4	4.00	20.00
Huw Griffiths	4.5	0	22	4	4 for 22	5.50	4.89
Dylan B-Welsh	1	0	5	0	0 for 5		5.00



*Under 15 Team who beat Llanarth in the Plate Final
 Standing (Back Row) Evan Seaward, Archie Eccles, Ben Morris, Jonty Heffaran, Charlie Gedge, Eoin Shackleton Kneeling- (Front Row) Dan Du Plessis, Alex Holmes, Will Eccles, Tom Pipe (Capt), Tom Norton, James Morris*

PICTURED are the Abergavenny Cricket Club Under 15 team who beat Llanarth CC in the recent final of the Gwent Cricket Plate competition. Aber batted first and scored 111-1 from 15 overs. Tom Pipe had to retire after scoring 50, Tom Norton was run out for 16 in the last over, with Alex Holmes unbeaten on 36. In reply Llanarth never got going and only scored 75-6. Will Heath was top scorer with 19 runs. There was wickets for Eoin Shackleton, Jonty Heffaran, Dan Du Plessis and Charlie Gedge. Shackleton chipped in with a run out as did Archie Eccles to see Abergavenny win the final by 36 runs.





Chairmans Award-S.Denning



Most Improved Player-Ben Morris



Young Player- Ben Davies



3rd X1 Players of the Year



2nd X1 Player of the Year-Tom Pipe



1st X1 Player of the Year-Adam Harrison



U15 2019 Player of the Year Tom Pipe U15
2019 Coaches Player of the Year Ben Morris
U15 2019 Most Improved Player Evan
Seaward

U13 2019 Bowler of the Year Logan Williams
U13 2019 Batsmen of the Year Tom Norton
U13 2019 Coaches Player of the Year James
Morris

U11 2019 Bowler of the Year Dylan Bradley
U11 2019 Batsmen of the Year Ollie Jones
U11 2019 Coaches Player of the Year Joe
Fairbank