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Due to Covid 19 the 2021 AGM which normaly would have taken place in December. Throught the winter of 2020 and early part of 2021 the Club house has undergone an update.



Refurbishment of the Clubhouse

Work has also continued on the ground which is looking good for the upcoming 2021 Season



The normal Pre Season Schedule needed revision as the original Pre season friendlies at home against <u>MalpasCricket</u>, <u>YCC</u>, <u>penarthcricket</u>, <u>CarmarthenWands</u> <u>CrumlinCC</u> and <u>lisvanecc</u> the visiting sides were cancelled due to Covid rectrictions in Wales. Then with travel outside Wales into England allowed from April 12th. We were able to arrange away fixtures in England and we owe a massive thank you to all the clubs who were able to host us at short notice. We are looking forward to getting out on the park

April 17th Woolhope Cricket Club





Minute Silence at 3pm for Prince Phillip

24th <u>Ledbury Cricket Club</u> Moccas CC

25th <u>Thornbury Cricket Club</u> Canon Frome Cricket Club

29th Blaina Cricket Club T20 Avenue Road

Cricket Wales Cup Draw News

We will travel to <u>Pontymister/Crosskeys Cricket Club</u> in the preliminary round of the Welsh Cup on the 25th April. The winners of this tie will play away to Crumlin CC or <u>Croesyceiliog Cricket Club</u> on the 16th May

The Club are delighted to confirm that we will be running both All Stars [5-8 year olds] and Dynamo's Cricket {8-11 year olds] This 2021 Summer.

The club is also pleased to announce that we will be hosting Wales Minor County against Shropshire CCC in a 3 day match on Sunday 1st August

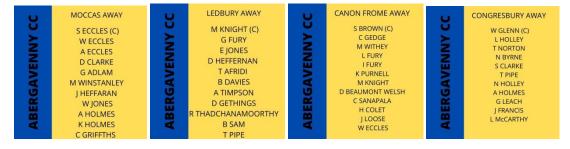
Coloured Clothing is being introduced this Season in League Matches modelled by Dave Clarke







Great turn out for Junior softball at Abergavenny Cricket Club Friday night April 16th, 20 very keen young cricketers wanting to learn the game



Tons for David Clarke and Tom Pipe in the wins against Mocca and Ledbury while there were two defeats against Canon Frome and Congresbury



Canon Frome and Congrebury CC



Lotte Mathews



The makeover is also on the outside of the building



A trio of Eccles



The teams selected for the First League games of the new season

At Panteg Abergavenny inserted Panteg 1st X1 and dismissed them inside 35 overs with the opening attack of Ben Morris and James Francis making early inroads and reducing Panteg to 23-4, a slight revival through a 60 run partnership then took place with the next wicket falling at 83. Ben Davies then took over with his slow left arm spin and took 5 wickets for just 10 runs in 6.3 overs to see Panteg all out for 118. In reply Abergavenny lost opener Greg Fury (0) with just 3 runs on the board, Skipper Will Glen (30) along with James Francis steadied the ship, before they lost 3 wickets in the space of 9 runs to find themselves 69-5, with opening batsman Francis still there on 8 not out and it was he along with Sam Clarke (22*) who took Abergavenny to victory by 5 wickets in the 26th over, with Francis (34*) Mohammad Salman for Panteg taking 4-35 and John Glover 1-23



Panteg Cricket Ground

At Avenue Road the 2nd X1 were playing Pentyrch 2nd X1 and winning the toss Pentyrch invited Abergavenny to bat first they set about their task well with Gareth Powell (21) and Alex Holmes opening the batting and putting on 67 for the first wicket, Tom Norton then joined Holmes and these two talented youngsters took the score to 137 before Tom Norton was out for (29) with Holmes having gone past his half century, he was eventually out for (68) David Clarke playing as batsman due to an injury which prevents him bowling also completed a half century (58*) and Tariq Faqir (21*) saw Abergavenny to the grand total of 263-4 in their 45 overs. Pentyrch were never in the game and were dismissed for 143 in the 40th over. The bowlers all performed well and the wickets were shared, Tariq Faqir taking 3-27, Tom Norton 2-12, Matt Knight 2-18 and a wicket each for Dylan Beaumont-Welsh, skipper Steve Brown and veteran Kyle Holmes.

The 3rd X1 were at home in Crickhowell to Porth CC 1st X1 and they won by 30 runs. After winning the toss and batting they amassed 198-7 in their allocated 40 overs. The chief run scorers were Chai Sanapala with a well made (65) and skipper Craig Lenane with (76*) Lee Fury was run out for (17) Porth in reply were at one point 90-2 and 143-3 but from that point lost wickets regularly and were eventually all out in the 40th over for 168. The main wicket taker for Abergavenny 3rd X1 was Geraint

Adlam with 4-19 Daniel Du Plessis, Craig Lenane and Jonty Heffaran with one wicket each and there were three run outs.

Meanwhile in Division 1 of the Marches League Crickhowell 1st X1 lost away to Brockhampton. Crickhowell batted first and managed a respectable 156 all out with runs from stalwarts Nick Francis (26) Ryland Wallace (17) and from youngsters Archie Eccles (26) and Rob Sandford (30) In reply Brockhampton won by 5 wickets with all rounder Nick Francis taking 3-17 and a wicket each for Rob Sandford and Phil Christie

Team selected for the rearranged Lisvane CC away game which was originally to be played on April 24th now played on Bank Holiday Monday May 3rd.

G.Fury, J.Francis, W.Glenn, W.Bragg, T.Norton, L.Holley, A.Holmes, S.Clarke, M.Knight, N.Byrne, G.Leach



Lisvane Cricket Ground

Abergavenny won the toss and inserted Lisvane, they made a very early breakthrough with strike bowlers. Ben Morris in the 3rd over (3-1) and James Francis in the 8th over taking early wickets with Lisvane 13-2, a good partnership ensued of 65 runs in 17 overs taking the score to 78-2 when the rain intervened. The game was eventually abandoned

Saturday May 8th Poor weather prevented any cricket









Saturday May 15th all 4 teams rained off









Sunday- Welsh Cup game at Pontymister/Cross Keys rained off

Round Four Division One League Table

	SOUTH EAST WALES CRICKET LEAGUE												
POS	TEAM	Р	W	- 1	C	ā	lcn	won	t	BatP	BowlP	Pen	Pts
A 1	Lisvene CC - 1st XI	4	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	10	9	0	49
2	Sudbrook CC - 1st XI	4	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	9	10	0	49
3	Pentyrch CC - 1st XII	4	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	35
4	Usik CC-1st XI	4	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	35
5	Abergavenny CC - 1st XI	4	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	2	6	0	33
6	Miskin Menor CC - 1st XI	4	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	5	0	33
7	Radyr CC - 1st XI	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	9	4	0	23
8	Monmouth CC - 1st XI	4	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	21
9	Newport Fugitives CC - 1st XI	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	4	7	0	21
V 10	Blackwood Town CC - 1st XI	4	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	20
V 11	Penneg CC - 1st XI	4	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	17
▼ 12	Croesyceiliog CC - 1st XI	4	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	16

Abergavenny 1st X1 travelled to Usk who on winning the toss asked Abergavenny to bat. They were immediately in trouble losing the top three batsmen for ducks to be 4-3 Francis(23) and Pipe steadied the ship and Pipe and Holley took the score to 102 when Pipe was out for (35) Holley eventually out for a well made (41) The tail wagged a little and Abergavenny reached what was a respectable total of 170-8.

The matches which have power plays bring about some innovative thinking by captains and Will Glenn opened with Ben Morris and James Francis but quickly introduced left arm spin in the shape of Ben Davies who struck early taking the wickets of the two Usk openers. All the bowlers ensured Usk would struggle and they slipped to 82-7 Geraint Leach (4-18) and Tariq Afridi (2-28)made telling contributions and Usk were eventually bowled out for 132 with 6 overs remaining. The win keeps Abergavenny within touching distance of the top team after 5 rounds of matches Next Saturday they face Radyr at Avenue Road

The 2nd X1 were in action at home to Mountain Ash probably playing them for the first ever time at Avenue Road, in a reduced Overs game Mountain Ash won the toss and unsurprisingly inserted Abergavenny. Things went really well at the start with Gareth Powell (23) and Alex Holmes putting on 64 for the first wicket. Unfortunately a mix up saw young Tom Norton run out without scoring. Steve Brown (4) the skipper went soon afterwards 71-3. Wickets then fell regularly and soon Abergavenny were 95-6 effectively losing 6 wickets for just 31 runs. Alex Holmes finishing with (68) his second half century in two games. They reached 123-8 in their allocated 32 Overs with Nathan Holley contributing (15) runs at number eight. Mountain Ash were indebted to Benjamin Geeson-Brown who made (50) as they crept towards the target eventually getting there for the loss of 5 wickets with 6 overs to spare. Tom Norton 2-17 Dylan Beaumont-Welsh 1-20 and Matthew Knight 2-12 were the wicket takers. Next Saturday they are away to Brecon

Both the 3rd X1 and 4th X1 fixtures were hit by the weather.

Weather for ducks but Aber feather nest

ABERGAVENNY'S 1st XI feared the worst when their first three batsmen departed for ducks in their South East Wales Cricket League Division One match at local rivals

But the middle order steadied the ship and the visitors inched to 170-8 off their 50 overs before dismissing

the hosts for 132. With just a wide on the scoreboard, Usk's Mika Ekstrom steamed in at the end of the first over to knock over Will Bragg's stumps without

And three balls into the next over without another run added, fellow opener Greg Fury was also back in the pavilion for a duck, trapped lbw

by Ben Jones. Two wides and a single from new man James Francis in the next three balls quadrupled the score to four runs before Jones struck again, scattering third man Will Glenn's stumps without scoring to leave Aber

at just four runs for three wickets.

But Francis and Tom Pipe steadily began to dig them out of the hole, the former patiently scoring 23, in-cluding three fours, off 59 deliveries, before offering up a catch to Dougle Spencer off the bowling of Joe Pea-cock at the start of the 20th over, eaving Pipe on 12 and Usk on 46-4. New man Lewis Holley and Pipe knuckled down to nurse the score past the 100-mark in a 56-run stand, when the latter holed out to Spencer off a Ben Jones ball (102-5) for a painstaking 35 scored off 105 balls. Jones quickly made another breakthrough for his fourth victim, Matt Hancock catching new man David

By Nick Hartland

Clarke for one (106-6)

But any thought of wrapping up the innings in short order faded as the next three batsmen all made double

figures. Tariq Afridi scored 13 before holing out to Peacock off a Paul Murphy delivery in a 27-run stand with Holley

And while Holley himself was also soon back in the pavilion, caught by Richard Rees off Murphy (140-8), having scored 41, including five fours, tailenders Geraint Leach (12 not out) and Ben Davies (13 not out) took the score to 170-8 to set a

respectable target.

Ben Jones returned figures of four wickets for 43 off 10 overs, while Murphy took two for 41 off 10 and Ekstrom one for a miserly 14 off 10.

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And he quickly made an impact taking the wickets of the two Usk openers, first snaring Olly Robson Ibw for two, and then repeating the trick to dismiss Elliott Doyle for 10 before (24-2).

Matt Hancock and Sidharth Ramesh drew the fire of the Aber attack to edge the score past the 50-mark, but the latter then went for 16, holing out to Fury off a Leach delivery (51-3). And only five had been added to

the total when new man Ekstrom departed for three, caught by Francis off Leach (56-4).

That was the beginning of an Usk collapse, as the next three batsmen also falled to make double figures, Aled Burkitt falling Ibw for four to Clarke (72-5), Dougle Spencer fol-lowing for a duck, Ibw to Afridi (76and Rees bowled by the same bowler for six (82-7).

The target seemed a long way off now, but Matt Hancock on 17 was joined by Joe Peacock and they added 35 to take the score to 117 to

give Usk hope.

Peacock was then stumped by
Fury off a Leach delivery for 16 for
the eighth wicket, and new man Murphy could only add a single be-fore being bowled by James Francis

All hope now lay with third man Hancock still going strong on 37. But with six overs left and 40 still

needed, he gave Ben Morris a catch off a Leach ball to be dismissed for 39, with last man Ben Jones stranded on six not out (131 all out).

Pick of the Aber bowlers was Leach who took four for 18 off seven overs, with Ben Davies taking two for 23 off eight, though all the bowlers made sure Usk would struggle.

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Alex Holmes finished with 68, his second half century in two games, as they reached 123-8 in their allo-cated 32 overs with Nathan Holley

contributing 15 runs at No 8. Mountain Ash were indebted to Benjamin Geeson-Brown who made 50 as they crept towards the target eventually getting there for the loss of five wickets with six overs to spare.

Tom Norton 2-17, Dylan Beau-mont-Welsh 1-20 and Matthew Knight 2-12 were the wicket takers. Next Saturday they are away to

Usk 2nd XI stormed to a 134-run win away to local rivals Llanarth in Division 5 of the SEWCL.

Put into bat by the hosts, Usk scored 211-7 off their 45 overs, before skittling out Llanarth for 77 in just 25.2 overs.

The 3rd XII were nine-wicket winners at home to Radyr 5th XI in their Division 11 clash, where the visitors scored 103 all out in 28.4 overs after winning the toss and electing to bat. Usk had no problem chasing the

total down, reaching 105-1 in just 16.5 overs to take 20 points.



A very healthy turn out for the All Stars and Dynamos at Avenue Road

On Friday evening May 28th Abergavenny Under 13's defeated Newport Fugitives Under 13's in the Welsh Cup (South East)batting first Newport Fugitives made 57-5 in their twenty overs and Abergavenny knocked of the required runs in just 6 overs

Saturday-May 29th

With the weather far more conducive to cricket and Avenue Road looking in tip top condition all was set fair for a good home performance, alas this was not the case as Abergavenny's fielding and bowling fell below the high standard expected at first team level this allowed Radyr to escape from the dangerous position of 136-8 to reach 207 when eventually all out in the 50th over. Earlier ex Abergavenny player JJ Davies scored a half century against his old club. There were three wickets each for Will Bragg and Tariq Afridi who were the pick of the bowlers and two for David Clarke. Nathan Byrne was forced to leave the field after sustaining an injury. I reply Abergavenny lost both openers Greg Fury and Andrew Jones early on followed quickly by skipper Will Glenn who was adjudged LBW this left Abergavenny at 26-3 a mini recovery then came through Will Bragg and James Francis who took the score to 83 before Bragg (40) was out, James Francis (19) also succumbed on the same score as 83-3 became 83-5 Tom Pipe (19) was the other scorer of note but the middle order and tail were unable to stem the flow of wickets and in the 39th over Abergavenny were all out for 113 losing seven wickets for just 30 runs. They dropped to 5th after six rounds.



Above Left Abergavenny 1st X1 take the field against Radyr & Right James Francis Bowling

The 2nd X1 enjoyed a better time in Brecon, where Steve Brown won the toss and inserted Brecon, veteran Kyle Holmes who won the young player of the year award in 1975 opened the bowling with Dylan Beaumont-Welsh and the soon had Brecon in trouble as they stumbled to 33-5, a partnership of 67 calmed things down but from 100-5 they struggled to 158 all out. Beaumont-Welsh 2 for10, Kyle Holmes 3-44 and Charlie Gedge 2-39 Tom Norton Matthew Knight and Lewys Wilkes-McCarthey taking one wicket each.

Abergavenny 2nd X1 had no such trouble as young Alex Holmes son of Kyle and Gareth Powell just failed to reach the 100 partnership as Powell[44] was out with the score on 99. Alex Holmes (58) went on to complete his 3rd consecutive half century and skipper Steve Brown (19*) along with another fine young player Tom Norton (19*) saw them home with 8 overs to spare at 159-2 the win moving Abergaveny 2nd X1 into the top three after 5 rounds of games.

The 3rd X1 were at home in Crickhowell against Newport Fugitives and batting first they were indebted to young Eoin Shackleton (53) whose grandfather Brian would be glowing with pride knowing that he completed a magnificent half century as well as taking the only two wickets that fell (2 for 42) as Newport Fugitives 3rd X1 successfully chased their target of 133 for the loss of just two wickets after Abergavenny 3rd X1 having been all out for 132 Lee Fury and Richard James were the only other two batsmen to reach double figures



Back Row L-R Colin Griffiths, Stuart Eccles (Capt) Owain Bradley, Richard Thad chanamoorthy, Archie Eccles, Ioan Parry Front Row L_R Will Eccles, Tommy Lawrence, James Morris, Flyn Williams, Rhys Bradley

Abergavenny 4th X1 Pictured at Blaina in the game against Abertillery

The newly formed 4th X1 under the stewardship of Stuart Eccles finally played their opening game of the season at Blaina against Abertillery in Division 12 of the SEWCL with six young men making their senior cricket debuts. Abertillery batted first and only made 79 runs thanks to some good bowling especially by Owain Bradley whose leg spin took 6 for 9 in 6 overs. There were also wickets for Colin Griffiths and James Morris. Father and son Stuart and William Eccles made light work of the target reaching the 79 required in the 18th over for a 10 wicket victory, leaving them top of the division.

Abergavenny 1st X1 away to current League Leaders Pentyrch 1st X1 Pentyrch batted first scoring 186 all out in the 49th Over

James Francis 1-27 David Clarke 2-34 Ben Davies 3-32 Tariq Afridi 2-25 geraint leach 1-11 Pentyrch were 6wickets down before reaching 100 in the 28th Over The lower order rallied and took them from 93-6 to 186 all out.

In reply Abergavenny's front line batsmen had some success Will Glenn (34) the skipper out with the score on 56 they moved smoothly to 101 -2 Will Bragg(36) then with 10 overs remaining they were 146-5 James Francis (49) This left 41 runs required but in the 47th over Abergavenny were 160-7, looking quite shaky however Tariq Afridi (14*) and Sam Clarke(21*) saw the side home in the 49th over with some much needed Six hitting. Abergavenny winning by 3 wickets and cutting Pentyrch's lead at the top to just 8 points over Abergavenny remain in 5th.



Lloyd Sharp and Olly Jones

Well done to Lloyd Sharp and Olly Jones for representing Cricket Wales East on Bank Holiday Monday at Crickhowell against Shropshire. Olly top scored with 44 and Lloyd took a wicket in a closely contested game

The U15s beat <u>Usk Cricket Club</u> by 38 runs tonight in a competitive fixture. Good contributions with the bat from Williams 51 retired, Norton 50 retired Tom Krige (12) and Sandford 28 no as they scored 171-1. Ojas Shanbhag then took 2-11 Daniel Du-Plessis 1-30, Lotte Matthews 1-11 and Steffan Davies 1-7 to restrict Usk to 133-5.



Usk CC Ground

On Thursday The club will play a match against Pontymister/Crosskeys Cricket Club in the preliminary round of the Cricket Wales Welsh Cup. The winners of this tie will be away to Crumlin in the first round. Batting first Pontymister/Crosskeys mustered 128-6 in their 20 overs-James Francis 1-22, Tariq Afridi 2-14, Sam Clarke 1-18, Charlie Gedge 1-33. In reply Abergavenny secured victory with 1 ball to spare for the loss of 5 wickets.. David Clarke (17) Alex Holmes (17) Ellis Jones (18) James Francis (50) Tom Norton (19*)

Abergavenny 1st X1 travelled to Blackwood on Saturday buoyed by a fine victory over Pentyrch on Bank Holiday Monday and looking to stake their claim to promotion to the Premier League Division 2.

Winning the toss the invited Blackwood to bat first on a sunny day interspersed with cloud.

Blackwood were immediately put on the back foot losing 3 quick wickets to the opening attack of James Francis (2 for 14) and Ben Morris (3 for 15) with the score on just 17 runs, this quickly became 65-6 as Geraint Leach picked up the baton taking 3-34 in his ten overs. A spirited 34 from Huw Wilcox took them to 88-8 but they trickled just past 100 when they were all out in the 35th over for 103. Tariq Afridi chipping in with (2 for 10) Abergavenny started their reply before the tea interval and quickly lost Will Glenn to yet another LBW decision, Will Bragg (29*) joined Andrew Jones (62*) and with ease before and after tea they showed their class with a lovely array of shots and reached the total required in just 19 overs. The whole game lasting just 54 overs allowing the players to enjoy an early finish for once.



Blackwood CC

1st Lisvane Played 8 -110 points 2nd Sudbrook Played 8 -94 points 3rd Abergavenny Played 8 -92 points

Meanwhile at Avenue Road the 2nd X1 were up against Lisvane CC 3rd X1 who batted first and amassed a very useful total indeed in their 45 overs reaching 224 -7 which looked like being even more when they were 104-1 the fact they then only reached 224 was due to an element of control exerted by the bowlers with the wickets being shared among Lewys Wilkes- McCarthy (2 for 31) Tom Norton (2 for 41) with one wicket each for Kyle Holmes, Dylan Beaumont-Welsh and skipper Steve Brown. Faced with this score to chase a good start was required and in the shape of Gareth Powell and Alex Holmes was expected but they were split up with the score on 37 and by the time they were 4 wickets down

they had only reached 68. Up stepped the middle order to rescue the situation with a great partnership of 72 between Ellis Jones(42) and Charlie Gedge (77 Not Out) who went on with Nathan Holley (35 Not Out) to see the side home with 2.1 overs remaining. The win by 5 wickets took them to 2nd place in Division 5 behind Usk 2nd X1 who they face next week in Usk, a real top of the table clash.

The 3rd X1 were away at Rogerstone Welfare CC 2nd X1 and lost quite heavily. Winning the toss and electing to bat they were bowled out for 129 in the 39th over with Geraint Adlam top scoring with (22) J.Heffaran (14) W.Jones (13) D.Du-Plessis (15 not out) and C.Sangapana (12)In reply Rogerstone reached their target for the loss of 3 wickets in the 25th over 130-3 with Adlam and Richard James taking 1 wicket each and a run out, Rogerstone winning by 7 wickets, the defeat leaves the 3rd X1 second bottom with just the one victory to their name.





Pictured at Rogerstone

At Islwyn Park in Pontllanfraith Blackwood 3rd X1 took on Abergavenny 4th X1 the home side batted first and were all out for 98, for the 2nd week running the star of the show was Owain Bradley taking 4 for 11 off 8 overs, he was well supported by Neil Smith 1-22, Gavin Nash 2-7, Dan Gethings 1-23 and Colin Griffiths 2-15. Abergavenny 4ths knocked off the runs for the loss of 2 wickets, once again the father and son combination Stuart (37) and William Eccles (39*) did the damage for Abergavenny 4ths and they reached their target in just 36 overs. This new venture of running a 4th X1 is working well at present providing cricketing opportunities for youngsters as they develop their skills. After 4 rounds of fixtures they are top of the table on 50 points

Next week on Saturday 1st X1 at home to Miskin Manor, 2nd X1 away at Usk, The 3rd X1 play Crumlin 2nd X1 at home and the 4th X1 are at home to Monmouth 4th X1. On Sunday the 1st X1 are playing in The Welsh Cup away at Crumlin CC.

Monday 7th June Abergavenny Under 15 defeat Newport CC Under 15 by 8 wickets in the Welsh Cup chasing 85 they reached their target for the loss of 2 wickets Logan Williams (42*) Tom Krige (17*) and Tom Norton (21) to follow his bowling (2 for 8) Cardiff or Llanarth will be their opponents in the Zone Final



Newport CC Friday June 11th Abergavenny Under 13 v Cardiff Under 13



Cardiff Under 13-55 all out Abergavenny win by 5 wickets



On Friday evening Abergavenny Under 13 played Cardiff Under 13 in the zonal semi Final, batting first Cardiff only managed 55 and Abergavenny juniors after a slow but steady start reached their target for the loss of 5 wickets.

On a scorching hot day at Avenue Road a somewhat depleted Abergavenny 1st X1 fielding one of the youngest sides in many years inserted Miskin Manor and were soon regretting the decision as they toiled all day in sweltering heat against the good batting of Miskin Manor who admittedly against some indifferent bowling got to 210 for 3 wickets with a dozen overs left, the fact that they failed to reach 300 was down to a spirited fight back by Abergavenny who took a further 5 wickets in the last ten overs and restricted Miskin to 262-8 in their 50 overs. The wicket takers were Ben Morris 3-52, David Clarke 2-51, Sam Clarke 2-56 but the outstanding bowling performance was from Ben Davies who took 1-24 off his 10 overs of slow left arm. If Abergavenny were to challenge the target set they needed good performances from their senior players and for their talented youngsters to realise their tremendous potential. With no decisions for LBW given when Miskin Manor were batting both Abergavenny openers Young Alex Holmes and Captain Will Glenn were adjudged LBW before the score had reached double figures. It was then down to Will Bragg and James Francis to play big innings, they reached a 50 partnership only for Bragg to be bowled for (24) A good stand then between Tom Pipe and James Francis(59) realised a further 65 runs but from 126-3 players managed to get starts Tom Pipe (20) Tom Norton (25) Sam Clarke (18) David Clarke (16) but wickets continued to fall and they were 9 down before reaching 200, Ben Morris (12*) and Ben Davies(7) ensured the extra bonus point for passing 200 but they were all out for 219 losing by 43 runs. There was some controversy with decisions being questioned which could have repercussions and the result saw Abergavenny 1st X1 dropping to 5th in the table but still only 18 points behind leaders Lisvane. Next week they travel to Newport Fugitives.

The 2nd X1 played a top of the table clash in Usk in what turned out to be a controversial game which without neutral umpires can get a little heated but the spirit of the game is sacrosanct and the game ended with Abergavenny suffering a heavy defeat despite being in control of the game as Usk 2nd X1 batted first and found themselves in trouble at 103-7, But ended up with a more than useful 231-8, The wickets for Abergavenny were taken by Dylan Beaumont Welsh 3-38, Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy 3-27 and one wicket each for Charlie Gedge and Tariq Afridi. In reply Abergavenny were disappointing after a very good start at 81 for 0, as Gareth Powell (32) and Drew Heffernan (56) set a good platform they faded badly with only Kyle Holmes reaching double figures of the other nine batsmen, to be 124 all out with 9 overs remaining.

Usk won quite easily by 108 runs. With Abergavenny dropping to 4th place. Next week Abergavenny 2nd X1 they entertain Pontypridd 2nd X1

The 3rd X1 managed a good victory in a close game against Crumlin CC 2nd X1 on the pretty Crickhowell ground. Crumlin 179-8 in their 40 Overs after being put in by the Abergavenny skipper. There were wickets for Angus Price 2-41, Daniel Du Plessis who bowled really well taking 3-11 and one wicket each for Craig Lenane, Dan Gethings and Colin Griffiths Abergavenny 3rd X1 182 -7 in 38.2 overs. Opening bats Adlam (43) and Will Jones (39) set up the victory Ieaun Fury (18) and Craig Lenane (19) backed them up in the middle order and Jonty Hefferan (28*) and Kristian Purnell (11*) saw them home winning by 3 wickets

Next week they are away to Cynon Valley CC

Up at Blaina the newly formed 4th X1 were again in tremendous form against Monmouth 4th X1 having bowled Monmouth out for 110 with Gavin Nash 3-15,Neail Smith 3-12, Owain Bradley 2-18, and Rhys Bradley taking 2-12 his first wickets in Senior cricket. They once again lost just one wicket in reaching the target required There was around an hour delay having called an ambulance when one of the Monmouth players, Tom McNally dislocated his shoulder, thankfully the news later was that it had

been put back in. Stuart Eccles (55 not out) and Archie Eccles (24 Not out) saw the team home after they lost James Morris for (25) Next week they are away to Pencoed

On Sunday Abergavenny travelled to Rhiw Farm to play Crumlin in the Welsh Cricket Cup South East Zone Crumlin batted first and amassed 248 for 3 in their 40 overs with Simon Veal making (111) and Connor Hopkins (93*) this from being one wicket down for 4 runs. David Clarke 2-47, James Francis 1-45. Tom Pipe fell early then skipper Will Glenn (74) and James Francis (55) put on 110 for the 2nd wicket, from then on important contributions from Greg Fury (35)Tom Norton (26) Charlie Gedge (16*) and Sam Clarke (25*) saw Abergavenny home with 4 overs to spare. Abergavenny will now face Newport at home on June 27th while Brecon take on Usk.

June 19th- The First X1 were away at Newport Fugitives, who on winning the toss batted first and must have been happy as they put on 95 runs for the first wicket when R.Jones was adjudged LBW to Tom Norton. Unfortunately Ben Davies injured his hand in the field which meant he would take no further part in the game after a visit to hospital. The 2nd wicket pair piled on the pressure and reached 157 for 1 with 20 over remaining, Newport Fugitives at this point hopeful of a huge score belying their lowly position in the League with just one victory up to this point. James Francis returned and took the 2nd wicket 171-2. Geraint Leach then chipped in with three fairly quick wickets as they went from 194-2 to 221-5. David Clarke added the 6th wicket 230-6 but the 'Fugies' amassed 268. Leaving Abergavenny chasing 260+ for the 2nd week running. Once again they didn't get off to a good start losing opener Tom Pipe for (2) with the score on 9. Things became gradually worse and they found themselves 79-4 with skipper Will Glenn make the bulk of the runs with (49) his highest score in the league this season so far when he was out at 127-5 it looked ominous, Greg Fury followed almost immediately then David Clarke 147-7. Meanwhile young Tom Norton was showing his class hitting five fours and a six in his (47) but any hope of victory disappeared when he was 8th out. A spirited tail kept going and managed to pass the 200 mark with Geraint Leach adding (33) runs to his (3 for 52) earlier, they were finally all out for 213. Next week the 1st X1 are home to Monmouth CC then on the next day (Sunday 27th) Home to Newport in the Welsh Cup



The 2nd X1 were at home to Pontypridd 2nd X1 and skipper Steve Brown (pictured Left)(120) became the first Abergavenny player to score a league century this season as Abergavenny 2nd X1 batting first posted 243-9 in their allotted overs. Gareth Powell(39) Nathan Holley (26) were the other main contributors. Steve Brown's (120) came off 149 balls with 15 fours and a six. Abergavenny bowlers toiled but with little success for the first 30 overs and as the game went down to the wire it was touch and go but the odds were in favour of Pontypridd who were at one point 204-2 and later they needed just 29 runs from the last 4 overs, however the Abergavenny bowlers held their nerve to prevent Pontypridd reaching the target, winning by 6 runs. Pontypridd losing 7 wickets for just 31 runs at the tail end of their chase. Two wickets each for Kyle Holmes, Dylan Beaumont –Welsh, Steve Brown and Geraint Adlam and one for Matthew Knight. Next week away to Llanarth 1st X1

The 3rdX1 were away at Cynon Valley CC and impressively bowled out the home side for a meagre 80 runs in 25 overs, the wickets were shared with two wickets each for Jonty Heffaran, Richard James and Angus Price and three for Greg Spencer, they knocked off the required 81 runs without losing a wicket for a 10 wicket victory, in just 18 overs. The runs were scored by Lee Fury (35*) and Eoin Shackleton (30*) Next week home to Newport 4th X1

The 4th X1 were away at Pencoed CC and they lost their 100% record as they elected to bat first and were bowled out for 105 in just 34 overs with 31 in Extras top scorer was Dan Gethings (18) with Hayden, Parry and the two Eccles lads reaching double figures. Pencoed knocked off the required runs

for the loss of just two wickets winning by 8 wickets in the 21st over. They replaced Abergavenny at the top of the table as Abergavenny dropped to 4th. Next week Home to Malpas 3rd X1

June 24th

The Under 13.s lost their Under 13 Welsh Cup East Zone Final against St Fagan's who made 126-4 Oliver Jones and Tom Krige taking two wickets each. In reply Abergavenny were all out for 106 with runs from Tom Krige (29) captain Jack Ryan (30) and wicket keeper Henry Sullivan (24*)



Back row: Left to right. Archie Levington. Tom Krige, Flynn Williams, Oscar Thadchanamoorthy, Shunryu Sheehan Front row: Left to right. Olly Jones, Dylan Bradley, Lloyd Sharp, Jack Ryan (Captain), Henry Sullivan, Evan Jones

Saturday June 26th

Abergavenny 1st X1 at home to bottom team Monmouth and batted first, skipper Will Glenn who has been below his usual best with just 122 runs in the league from 7 knocks, bounced back with a vengeance doubling his season's tally scoring a big hundred with his century coming from just 104 balls he was eventually out for (122) he was well supported by his senior player James Francis (39) in a partnership for the 2nd wicket of 101 and by the youngsters Tom Pipe (27) with whom he put on 95 for the first wicket and Alex Holmes who remained not out (30*) alongside Nathan Holley (22*) as



Will Glenn

Abergavenny posted 282-5. Monmouth made a very good 'fist' of chasing what was a big target and at one point were 172-3 they were aided by (31) extras including 29 wides and they reached 258-7 losing by 24 runs, the main wicket takers for Abergavenny were Tom Norton with 3-43 and Matthew Knight playing his first League game for the 1st X1 taking 2-39. They remain in 6th place 23 points behind the form team Croesyceiliog.Next week sees the start of the return fixtures in the 2nd half of the season at home to Panteg. The Welsh Cup game scheduled for Sunday has been rearranged for July 4th.

The 2nd X1 travelled just a few miles to the village of Llanarth for their game with Llanarth 1st X1,



Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy

the home team batted first and in their 45 overs they managed 183 all out, this despite impressive spells from opening bowlers David Clarke (2-12) and Kyle Holmes (1-27) who bowled 18 overs between them for just 39 runs, young Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy was the star of the Abergavenny attack taking 5-28 from his 9 overs, the backup bowlers' however disappointed with 116 runs coming from just 18 overs. Abergavenny were never really in the game when batting as no one was able to build on any start they secured with 3 batsmen reaching 20 then getting out, they finished disappointedly 114 all out they are in 4th place 45 points behind leaders Usk 2nd X1. Next week they are away to Pentyrch.

At Crickhowell the 3rd X1 hosted Newport 4th X1 and ran out convincing winners. Newport batted first and made 167 for 4 in their 40 overs. In reply Abergavenny 3rd X1 won by 7 wickets making 171-3 with 8 overs to spare. There were three good innings by Abergavenny players Will Jones (60) Lee Fury (29) and Dan Gethings with (52*) Not many wickets fell in either innings but there was one wicket each for Abergavennys' J.Heffaran, A.Price, D.Gethings and G. Spencer. They sit in 3rd place within striking distance of the leaders and next week face Porth CC who are in second place



The 4th X1 were at home in Blaina against Malpas CC 3rd X1 and they also won very convincingly having restricted Malpas to 151-2 the wickets went to Rob Sandford and Gavin Nash, they secured victory with almost 10 overs to spare making 157-4 Stuart Eccles led from the front with (47) James Morris (15) and Archie Eccles(17) backed him up and Robbie Sandford –*pictured left* (43*) and Ross Hayden (18*) finished the job off with a great unbeaten partnership of 71 giving them a six wicket victory. Next week they play Ponthir CC

On Sunday June 27th

Abergavenny Under 15 defeated Cardiff Under 15 by 6 runs, batting first Abergavenny scored 136-8 in their 20 overs. Tom Krige (20) Logan Williams (38) Tom Norton (17) Robbie Sandfordf (21) James Morris (11*) were the main scorers. Cardiff Under 15 in reply lost only six wickets in the chase but failed to reach the target of 137 and were 130-6 at the close of their innings. Good bowling from Tom Norton 2-17, and Daniel Du Plessis 3-24 and tight 4 over spells from Ojas Shanbhag and Logan Williams ensured victory.



Standing L-R –James Loose, Dan Du-Plessis,Flyn Williams,Tom Norton (Capt) Logan Williams, Robbie Sandford, Tommy Lawrence Kneeling L-R-James Morris,Ojas Shanbhag, Jack Ryan, Ioan Parry, Tome Krige

June 29th Abergavenny Under 13B v Chepstow Under 13 Chepstow batted first after winning the toss and were bowled out for 77 Abergavenny reaching their target (81-4)for the loss of 4 wickets

July 1st



Macey Shield Match v Sudbrook. Abergavenny won the toss and elected to field first, the Sudbrook batsmen took full advantage of the opportunity and posted a very challenging total of 165-5 Sam Clarke was the pick of the bowlers taking 1-12 from his 4 overs, Ben Morris was quite economical also with his 4 overs costing 25 runs, the problem was the other 12 overs which cost 127 runs. Abergavenny needed a god start and in the shape of Will Glenn (23) and Greg Fury (17) but the real impetus came from young Tome Norton who scored 59 with five fours and two sixes, he was backed up by Sam Clarke (26) and Tom Pipe (13*) as they passed the total with eight balls to spare.

The following evening the Under 19 side were not able to follow up the victory losing to Usk Under 19 by 10 wickets. Abergavenny Under 19 scored just 89-6 in their 100 balls Charlie Gedge, Logan Williams and Alex Holmes the only batsmen to reach double figures, The Usk openers knocked off the required runs from just 61 balls for a very convincing victory.

Ben Morris with a 5 wicket haul & James Francis with the bat secure victory



Under grey cloud after a night of heavy rain Panteg on winning the toss decided to bat first, within 3 balls they were regretting that decision as Ben Morris clean bowled opener Mohammad Salman. And from that point on the Abergavenny bowlers kept on top with wickets falling at fairy regular intervals and at one point with Panteg 103-8 a low score looked likely, however the 'tail' did wag and the last few batsmen took the score to 156 all out, they were restricted to just 10 boundaries. The pick of the bowlers was young Glamorgan Academy and 2nd X1 bowler Ben Morris with 5-37 his first 5 wicket haul of the season, he was supported by Tariq Afridi with 2-17 and it was good to see young Ben Davies back playing who along with James Francis and David Clarke took one wicket each.

Panteg kept things tight as they defended their 156 and restricted Abergavenny to just 35-1 in the first 10 overs, Will Glenn the man out caught and bowled for 15 from 27 deliveries. 35-1 quickly became 55-3 when both Will Bragg (4) and Tom Pipe (24) were dismissed. It fell to James Francis and Tom Norton to get back on track as they built a 4th wicket partnership which realised 81 runs when Francis was out for a well made (62) which included eleven fours and a six, 136-4. Sam Clarke then joined Tom Norton, Tom is still eligible for both Under 15 and Under 19 teams but plays with a maturity beyond his years. Sam Clarke was out with the scores level 156-5 but Tom Norton hit the winning run next ball and finished on (34*) Abergavenny winning by 5 wickets with 17.4 overs to spare.



Good all round performance by Matthew Knight in defeat

The 2nd X1 were away to Pentyrch and in a reduced overs game Pentyrch batted first and made 194-8 in 40 overs the best bowling came from Matthew Knight who took 4-35 in just 5 overs there was a wicket each for Jonty Heffaran, Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy and Geraint Leach. Abergavenny were never able to string together any decent partnerships that lasted despite six of the batsmen reaching double figures not one of them was able to build on their start. Ellis Jones with (31) played well as did Matthew Knight (23) and Drew Heffernan (23) They were eventually all out for 158. They sit in 5th place in Division 5. 58 points behind leaders Usk. Next week they face Sudbrook at Avenue Road

The 3rd X1 were away at Porth and were bowled out for 125 in 31 overs, Porth had little trouble in reaching their revised target of 125 in 35 overs and finished on 128-2 in the 28th over wining easily by 8 wickets. For Abergavenny 3rds Eoin Shackleton (19) Dan Gethings (12) Richard Jame (25) and top scorer Daniel Du-Plessis with (28) gave the bowlers something to work with. but it proved to be too little as Porth knocked off the runs for the loss of two wickets. One wicket each for Eoin Shackleton and Daniel Du-Plessis.Porth moved to top of the table and Abergavenny dropped to 5th place.

Stuart Eccles keeps on scoring

The 4th X1 were at home to Ponthir and batting first they scored 139-6 and not for the first time skipper Stuart Eccles (78) was the main man putting on 76 for the first wicket with with James Morris (19) and supported by Logan Williams (10). It didn't look to be a winning score, however Sugunesh Nanjan (3-21) and Robbie Sandford (4-19) had other ideas as between them ripped the heart out of the Ponthir team, Lloyd Sharp chipped in with two wickets and there was one wicket for Logan Williams as Ponthir were all out for 71 runs. The win sees Abergavenny 4ths in 5th place but only 15 points behind leaders Croesyceiliog. Next week they face Miskin

Sunday July 4th

Abergavenny 1st X1 at home to Premier League side Newport CC in the Welsh Cup South East Zone Round 2, David Clarke stand in skipper won the toss and inserted Newport who started at a very fast pace and were 45 for 0 off the first 5 overs assisted by a fair number of wides (11) from David Clarke. Half way through the sixth over rain stopped play and eventually the game was abandoned.

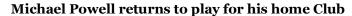
David Clarke*, Geraint Adlam†, Sam Clarke, James Francis, Tom Norton, Nathan Byrne, Dan Gethings, Kristian Purnell, Eoin Shackleton, Tom Pipe, Craig Whistance

Mark Wallace*, Chris Hardy, Mujahid Ilyas, Hugo Caldicott, Nathan Berry†, Charlie Stewart, Phillip MacLean, Hasnain Nawaz, Josh Waughington, Jack Hope-Bell, Lewis Probert

Andrew Jones	2	1	66	62*	0	1	66.00
James Francis	8	1	302	62	0	2	43.14
Tom Norton	4	1	113	47	0	0	37.67
Sam Clarke	4	2	71	25*	0	0	35.50
Will Glenn +	9	0	259	122	1	0	28.78
Will Bragg	7	1	143	40	0	0	23.83
Ben Davies	2	1	20	13*	0	0	20.00
Tom Pipe	8	0	135	35	0	0	16.88
Geraint Leach	4	1	50	33	0	0	16.67
Lewis Holly	5	0	80	41	0	0	16.00
Alex Holmes	2	1	30	30*	0	0	15.00

First X1 Averages at mid point of the Season

Saturday July 10^{th}





It was a particularly significant day for the first eleven with the inclusion in their side of Ex Glamorgan Kent & England A player Michael Powell who began his illustrious career with Abergavenny back in the early nineties. They travelled to Mill Lane in Caldicot to play Sudbrook who were lying 3rd in the table after 12 fixtures. Sudbrook won the toss and inserted Abergavenny who lost captain Will Glenn in the 6th over with just 9 runs on the board. Will Bragg then joined Andrew Jones and they built a partnership which after 20 overs was 2 runs short of 80, sadly Bragg was out in the very next over for (29) Andrew Jones (Pictured Left) in his 20th season with the club then passed 50 for the 50th time and also passed 8,000 runs.

At the half way stage Abergavenny were 113 for 2. Andrew was eventually out for (65). Tom Norton (15) and Mike Powell (14) came and went, James Francis just missed out on his half century when he was out for (49) Sam Clarke hit (21) but Greg Fury made no impression, unusually for him he hasn't found any form with the bat so far this season. Abergavenny slipping from 174-3 and 206-5 to 220-9 in their 50 overs. There was no early breakthrough for the Abergavenny bowlers as Sudbrook moved to 49 without loss from 10 overs. The introduction of spinners Davies and Clarke realised a wicket in Sam Clarke's 2nd over 57-1 -a run out by Sam Clarke which made it 76-2 was the only other success

and with 20 overs remaining Sudbrook required 83. The 3rd and 4th wickets fell to Tariq Afridi bowling O'Leary after an 86 run partnership with opener M.Kinchin and then trapping Hussey lbw. Sam Clarke claimed his 2nd wicket another lbw, meanwhile Kinchin had reached his century only to be bowled by Afridi for (105) with 23 needed for victory. Ben Davies ensured a nail biting finish taking the 7th wicket in the 47th over, Sudbrook with 7 runs needed from the last 3 overs which they managed for a 3 wicket victory. Next week they are home to Croesyceiliog.

Clarke, Leach and Pipe show their class



In the reverse fixture at Avenue Road the 2nd X1 and had a handsome victory batting first after winning the toss they racked up a really good score of 268-4 in their allotted overs with Tom Pipe who has been doing reasonably well in the 1st X1 capitalising on his dropping into the 2nd X1 by scoring a fine (69) runs there was also a half century for Lewis Holley with (62) Gareth Powell(43) Ellis Jones (31) and Charlie Gedge (28*) and Nathan Holley (17*) there at the close. Sudbrook lost wickets at fairly regular intervals with David Clarke (3-19) and Geraint Leach (4-18) showing why they usually play in the first x1 and there was a wicket each for Nathan Byrne, Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy and stand in skipper Matthew Knight. Next week they are away to Croesyceiliog

Dylan Beaumont-Welsh maiden half century



The 3rd X1 defeated Monmouth at Crickhowell chasing 181 to win they completed the task for a 7 wicket victory. Monmouth lost 8 wickets in their innings with 2 each for Colin Griffiths and Ryan Pugh and 1 each for Logan Williams, Sugunesh Nanjan and Richard James. The Abergavenny reply was spearheaded by Dylan Beaumont-Welsh with (78) his highest ever score and Will Jones with (41*) after Kyle Holmes had opened the batting with (17) Next week they are away at Penarth

Owain Bradley among the wickets and Stuart Eccles in the runs in defeat



The 4th X1 were away at Miskin Manor and lost by 4 wickets just their 2nd defeat of the season. Abergavenny 4th X1 managed just 140-7 in their 40 overs yet again Stuart Eccles was the chief contributor with (61) only two other batsmen made double figures James Morris (10) and Will Eccles (17*) Miskin stuttered in overcoming the total but an unbeaten century by Herridge (102*) ensured they finished on 143-6. The best of the bowling for Abergavenny was leading wicket taker Owain Bradley with (3-34) Next week They are home to Creigau

Sunday July 11th

Abergavenny Under 15 lost to Miskin Manor in the Under 15's Wales Finals Day Semi Final Miskin 114-5 with one wicket each for Logan Williams, Steffan Davies and Daniel Du-Plessis. Abergavenny falling 21 runs short at 93-5 Daniel Du-Plessis (25) Robbie Sandford (18) Jack Ryan (10)

Thursday July 15th

Abergavenny Select X1 (Pictured below) played touring team Putney CC who batted first and scored 233



BackRow L-R Dan Gethings,Ryan Pugh,Charlie Gedge,Logan Williams,Tom Pipe, David Clarke Front Row L-R Will Eccles, Lee Fury, Craig Whistance,Kristian Purnell, Daniel Du-Plessis

Later at Newport in the Welsh Cup South East Zone 1 Round 2, the rearranged fixture was played as a T20 game and Abergavenny were totally outclassed by the South Wales Premier League Side, batting first Newport made 188-4, mainly due to ex Abergavenny player Morgan Bevans who made a fabulous (94) off 56 balls with nine 4's and four 6's Abergavenny's David Clarke took 3-40 and brother Sam 1-38. Abergavenny were never in with a shot of reaching the target but there was some resistance from James Francis (17), Tom Norton (23) and Sam Clarke (24) Geraint Leach (16*) this after a disastrous start losing both openers Will Glenn and Greg Fury with just 2 runs on the board. They finished on 118-8

July 17th

Francis steers Abergavenny home

The 1st X1 were at home to Croesyceliog who have been in good form of late losing just 2 games so far and sitting in 2nd place 21 points ahead of Abergavenny, They won the toss and batted first on a scorching hot afternoon and when they were 68-5 probably regretted the decision, they recovered to 126-5 but then lost wickets at key moments and were eventually all out for 202, opening bowlers Ben Morris (2-33) and David Clarke (3-50) Sam Clarke chipped in with 2 wickets and there was a wicket each for James Francis and Tom Norton. Greg Fury Abergavenny wicket keeper standing up to most of the bowlers took 4 sharp catches. Abergavenny in reply lost skipper Will Glenn with the score on 12, Tom Pipe then along with Will Bragg put on 72 runs before Bragg (26) was caught at the wicket. There is a saying in cricket "one brings two" and Tom Pipe was out for a well made (42) 2 runs later. The victory by 2 wickets which came in the 45th over was due to James Francis marshalling the middle and lower order, but with 8 wickets down 34 runs were still needs and Francis(61*) and Geraint

Leach (27*) secured the win and 20 points. The victory was all the more sweet as there had been four changes enforced on the team due to late withdrawals. Next week at Home to Usk



Matthew Knight & Kyle Holmes light up the innings

The 2nd X1 played the reverse fixture at Croesyceiliog with consolidation of 3rd place a realistic goal, and upon losing the toss were invited to bat first on a good wicket, they made a really good 'fist' of it and notched a really competitive total of 245-7 in their 45 overs. A feature of the innings was a stand of 88 in the six last overs between Matthew Knight (56*) and Kyle Holmes (24*) Others who contributed to the total were skipper Steve Brown (44) Gareth Powell (25) and Logan Williams (24) Croesyceiliog however enjoyed batting on the wicket even more and passed the total for the loss of just two wickets in the 39th over admittedly Abergavenny were light on bowling with only Kyle Holmes (1-38) and Lewys Wilkes McCarthy applying themselves well. Next week the 2nd X1 are away to Mountain Ash 1st X1



James Morris does well with bat and ball

The 3rd X1 were away at Penarth one place above them in the table and they enjoyed a really good game of cricket batting first they made 178-9 and Penarth chasing, won with 4 balls to spare with one wicket in hand 179-9. For Abergavenny, openers Ryland Wallace (38) and Will Eccles (39) batted well with good support from Daniel Du-Plessis (28) and James Morris (18) Chasing a relatively low score early wickets were needed but Penarth began well putting on 52 for the first wicket and at 109 for 3 it looked plain sailing, James Morris 3-40 and Steffan Davies 2-26 had other ideas as Penarth lost another six wickets before limping to a one wicket victory. Next week the 3rd X1 are home to Tredegar 1st X1.

Ross Hayden stars with the bat

The 4th X1 were at home to Creigau and from a really unhealthy position of 32-6 Creigau reached an unlikely 155 in their allotted overs. Ryan Pugh taking 3-11, Owain Bradley 2-13 and one wicket each for Tom Lawrence, Gwyn Pritchard, Stuart Eccles and 14 year old Ojas Shanbhag who was making his debut, this after two eleven year olds played last week at Miskin, Lloyd Sharp a young off spinner and Henry Sullivan. The star of Abergavenny reply was Ross Hayden with (85*) who put on 127 for the first wicket with skipper Stuart Eccles (47) they ran out winners by 7 wickets 156-3. They sit in 2nd place with 4 matches to go.Next week they are home to Croesyceiliog 4th X1









Henry Sullivan, Ojas Shanbhag, Lloyd Sharp, Ross Hayden

$\label{eq:July 19th} \mbox{ Abergavenny Under 17's v Llanarth Under 17 in the Shield}$



Back Row L-R S.Eccles, Archie Eccles, Jonty Hefferan, Ben Morris, Charlie Gedge, Logan Williams, Tom Norton, Kyle Holmes

Front Row L-R Dan Du-Plessis, Ojas Shanbhag, Steffan Davies, Will Eccles, Tom Pipe

Beat the Tom Tom

Llanarth won the toss and inserted Abergavenny, who lost Logan Williams with the score on 17, this brought Tom Norton to the crease with Tom Pipe and they showed their class with a partnership of 174 which took them into the last but one over of the 20. Tom Pipe (100*) and Tom Norton (89) Abergavenny totalled 201-2. Llanarth were never in the hunt losing wickets regularly and finished on 66 all out Jonty Hefferan with 3-10 and Steffan Davies with 3 for 9 were the main wicket takers, there was one wicket each for Du-Plessis, Gedge and Archie Eccles



Tom Pipe and Tom Norton



Saturday July 24th

All round performance from 13 year old Tom Norton

Local rivals Usk were the visitors to Avenue Road on an overcast day with the threat of thunder in the forecast, winning the toss Abergavenny batted first with surprisingly opening bowler Ben Morris (16) opening the batting with Tom Pipe (43) by the halfway stage of the innings they were both out but there was 119 runs on the board -119-2, 3 overs later the skipper Will Glenn was out for a well made (60) at better than a run a ball. This brought together Will Bragg and leading run scorer James Francis they took the score past 200 with 13 overs left, Will Bragg passing his highest score of the season in the process, the partnership was broken at 76 runs when Francis was out for (38) 13 year old Tom Norton then joined Bragg and they put on 89 with Tom Norton the

aggressive one with (58) at a strike rate of 187 with 8 fours and two sixes-310-5. Bragg (68) followed on the same score 310-6, Greg Fury (16*) and Sam Clarke (14*) took the total to 342-7 at the close. Usk lost their first wicket in the 8th over, a run out by Tom Pipe and after 10 overs were 53-1, this became 97-1 off 20 overs and 149-2 off 30, Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy with the 2nd wicket (he later finished his 10 overs 1-41), Usk still requiring 193 from the final 20 overs. Sam Clarke dismissed the centurion Olly Robson (101) and then Geraint Leach took the 4th wicket 2 runs later Usk 189-4 later 224-4 then 3 wickets on that score two for Geraint Leach and a run out by Will Glenn 224-7. Tom Norton came back into the attack and in the 2nd over of his spell took two wickets 238-9 and game virtually over. Leach wrapped it up with his 4th wicket (4-49) Usk 262 all out. Abergavenny trail the league leaders by 32 points. Next week they play Radyr away.

Unbroken 3rd wicket stand wins it for the 2nd X1

The 2nd X1 were away at Mountain Ash and it was the home side who batted first and totalled 162-8. The wickets were shared by the bowlers with 2 wickets for Jonty Heffaran and a wicket each for Dylan Beaumont-Welsh, Ryan Jones, Logan Williams, Matthew Knight and Charlie Gedge. Abergavenny 2nd X1 won convincingly thanks to an unbroken 3rd wicket stand between the leading run scorer Gareth Powell (63*) and Charlie Gedge with his second undefeated half century of the season (55*)They are in third place in the Division 5 league Table with 5 games to go. Next week Brecon 2nd X1 at Home



Good effort from Sugunesh Nanjan and William Eccles

While the 3rd X1 were at home in Crickhowell to Tredegar. Winning the toss they elected to field and Tredegar made 178-7 Daniel Du Plessis and Richard James taking 2 wickets apiece and one wicket each for Colin Griffiths, Suganesh Nanjan and James Morris. In the chase a number of the Abergavenny batsmen got good starts but were not able to build on those starts and eventually were all out for 154 in the 38th over. Will Jones (13) Daniel Du Plessis (21) James Morris (16) two of the batsmen did push on with William Eccles (35) and Sugunesh Nanjan (38) both batting really well. Next week Newport Fugitives Away

Great 10th wicket partnership

In Blaina the 4th X1 were at home to Croesyceiliog and they inserted Croesyceiliog who were soon in trouble losing 4 wickets with just 27 runs scored. This early damage was partially due to Ryan Pugh with a couple of wickets and a catch, there was a good stand for the 5th wicket of 93 runs before Ojas Shanbhag broke the partnership, 120-5 They were eventually 142-6 in their 40 overs. Ryan Pugh finishing with 3 for 14. The 4th X1 lost Ojas Shanbhag (3) with the score on 8.Stuart Eccles was next to fall for (20) runs 42-2. But his son Archie was still there with Tom Lawrence, however Archie was then run out for (32) Lawrence and Parry followed quickly and they were 78-5 approaching the halfway stage. This became 105-7 Neil Smith (17) Henry Sullivan (11) Leaving the tail enders to score 37 runs from the final 12 overs.It looked unlikely when Lottie Matthews was out at 116-9 However numbers 10 and 11 Owain Bradley (13*) and Ryan Pugh (10*) saw the side home for a 1 wicket victory. One of the reasons it was so close was due to the 4th X1 dropping a number of catches. Next week Abertillery at home

Saturday July 31st

Maiden century for James Francis digs Abergavenny out of a hole and leads them to 2nd place in the League

The 1st X1 travel to Radyr CC who were without a League win throughout July, but fresh in their memory would be the defeat inflicted on Abergavenny at Avenue Road back on May 29th.



Batting first Abergavenny lost Andrew Jones on his comeback game after injury in the second over for (5) with the score on six, disastrously in the 5th over skipper Will Glenn was out for (7) 18-2, this quickly became 22-3 with Tom Pipe(2) Bragg followed in the 14th over and Tom Norton in the 20th over with Abergavenny 65-5, this became 85-7 with the loss of both G.Fury (4) and S.Clarke (2)



Amid this the leading runs scorer this season James Francis continued his good form with the bat and it was now his job to martial the tail to a decent score and try and bat out the overs.

He completed his 6th half century of the season (4th in the League) in partnership with Geraint Leach they took the score to 138-7 with 10 overs remaining. Francis was supported well by Leach who fell 5 runs short of their century partnership, 2 runs later Faqir was out 182-9 all this while James Francis serenely passed a hundred, his maiden century for the club at almost a run a ball taking his seasons total past 673 runs.

Abergavenny Final total being 187 all out

Holley's Shine and Lewis also hits Chairman Andy Timpson's Car in the process

On Sunday August 1st the 2nd X1 were at home in Crickhowell on their picturesque ground overlooked by the ruins of the Castle, against Brecon as Avenue Road hosted a 3 day fixture Wales National County v Shropshire. Abergavenny 2nd X1 batted first and put on a good display of batting with runs from most of the top order and a good stand b7 the Holley's of 95 runs for the 4th wicket. Lewis Holley (83) his knock included a six which hit the Chairman Andy Timpson's car, Nathan Holley (48*) Ellis

Jones(45) Matthew Knight (13*) and Gareth Powell (16) as they finished on 232-5. In reply Brecon were kept under control by some good bowling from Kyle Holmes Jonty Heffaran, Lewis Holley with one wicket each, Craig Whistance (2 for 37) and Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy (3 for 12) and Brecon were restricted to 164-9. Next week the 2nd X1 visit Lisvane 3rd s Away



Stuart Eccles anchors the 3rd X1 victory

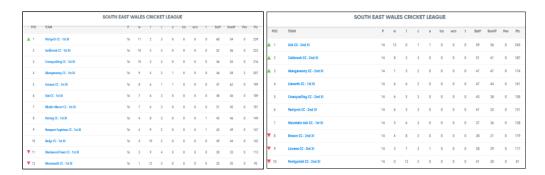
The 3rd X1 were away to Newport Fugitives at Cross Keys who batted first and totalled 181-8 It looked at one point at 119-1 after 22 overs they would soar past 200 especially being gifted 30 extras, however veteran Colin Griffiths (3 for 17) and Robbie Sandford (3 for 27) had other ideas, Dan Du Plessis also took a wicket. Stuart Eccles was a late call up and opened the batting with Steffan Davies who made (2), nevertheless Stuart continued his good form with a sold (48). The total didn't prove to be enough as Abergavenny passed their target for the loss of 7 wickets this despite a 'blip' in the middle of the chase when they lost a couple of quick wickets, Stuart was well supported by Logan Williams (36)Mark Withey (24) Mark Winstanley (11)and Dan Du-Plessis (24*) Next week they face Rogerstone in Crickhowell.



Abertillery concede

The 4^{th} X1 were at home in Blaina to Abertillery, however Abertillery sadly conceded the game giving the 4^{th} X1 20 points to move them momentarily to top of the League. Next week they play Blackwood at home in their last but one game of the season

The tables as at August 2nd 2021





Saturday August 7th

The First X1 game with Blackwood was not originally cancelled but when the covers were taken off at 12 30 the rain started so the game didn't start and was eventually abandoned, this was disappointing as it was reasonable to assume 20 points were there for the taking against a team struggling for form this year. With 5 games to go four of which are against sides below Abergavenny and just the one against the current League leaders promotion looks like being down to the wire.

The 2nd X1, 3rd X1 and 4th X1 fixtures were also lost to the rain.

1st X1 Bowling &Batting Averages to Date

			Overs	IV	R	W	В	Av
James Fra	ncis		111	8	458	11	2f14	41.6
Ben Morr	is		81.3	5	300	16	5f37	18.8
David Cla	rke		70	2	295	13	2f33	22.7
Ben Davi	65		52.3	6	6 166		5f10	12.8
Tom Nort			35.3	2	181	11	3f43	16.5
Sam Clar			78	8	307	9	2f37	34.1
Geraint Le			68.1	5	326		4f18	20.4
			62	5	194	16	3 f 33	12.1
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Name James Francis	12	3	551	101*	1	3	61.2	2
Andrew Jones	4	1	136	65	0	2	45.3	3
Ben Morris	4	3	37	16	0	0	37.0	0
Will Bragg	10	1	276	68	0	1	30.6	7
Tom Norton	8	1_	205	58	0	_1	29.2	1000000000
Will Glenn +	13	0	336	122	1	1	25.8	THE RESERVE
Geraint Leach	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	2	103	33	0	0	25.7	
Sam Clarke	8	3	110	22 [±]	0	0	22.0	
Ben Davies	3	2	21	13*	0	0	20.0	mades 7
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Greg Fury	10	2	30	16*	0	0	3:7	51

 $2^{\rm nd}~X1~\&~3^{\rm rd}~X1$ Batting Averages to date

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Tom Pipe	1	0	69	69	0	1	69	Beaumont-Wel	1	0	78	78	0	1-	78
Dave Clarke	2	1	65	58	0	1	65	C.Sanapala	1	0	65	65	0	1	65
	The same of	1000		68			54	Jonty Heffaran	2	1	42	28±	0	0	42
Alex Holmes	4	0	216		0	3		Eoin Shackleto	4	1	105	53	0	1	35
Charlie Gedge	8	3	184	77*	0	2	36.80	G.Adlam	3	1	65	43	0	0	32.5
Steve Brown	7	1	209	120	1	0	34.83	W.Jones *	7	1	168	60	0	1	28
Gareth Powell	11	1	333	63*	0	1	33.30	D. Du-Plessis	6	2	120	28	0	0	30
	1976		166	48*	0	0	33.2	L.Fury	5	1	93	35 [*]	0	Q	23.25
Nathan Holley	The same	3		The same		1	30	D.Gethings	5	1	70	52 [*]	0	1	17.50
D.Heffernan	3	0	90	56	0	1	-	Will Eccles	4	0	81	0	0	ò	20.25
Kyle Holmes	5	3	55	24*	0	0	27.5	Kyle Holmes	1	0	17	17	0	0	17
Matt Knight	6	2	96	57 [*]	0	0	24	Richard Jame		2	40	25	0	0	10.0
Ellis.Jones	11	0	213	45	0	0	19.36	Kristain Purne	6	3	36	11*	0	0	12
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Tom Norton	4	0	47	29	0	0	11.75	A.Timpson	1	0	9	9	0	0	9

 2^{nd} & 3^{rd} Bowling Averages to date

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Name	0	M	R	W	Best		Name	0	M	R	wkts	Best	Av
Dave Clark	18 .	8	31	5	3 f 19	6.2	Jonty Heffaran	41	5	173	4	2 f 18	43.25
Tom Norton	22	1	92	7	2 f 12	13.1	Joney mendian	47					
Geraint Leach	14	0	68	5	4 f 18	13.6	Geraint Adlam	11.6	2	36	5	4 f 19	7.2
L.Wilkes-McCarthy	72	6	257	16	5 f 28	16.1	Craig Lenane +	11	1	69	2	1 f 30	34.5
Matt Knight	46	3	207	11	4 f 35	18.8	D. D. Diania	58		196	8	3 f 11	24.5
Steve Brown	13.4	0	79	4	2 f 14	19.8	D.Du Plessis		9	150	0	2111	24.3
D.Beaumont-Welsh	62	4	243	11	3 f 38	22.1	Richard James	53	3	238	7	2 f 24	34
Kyle Holmes	69	5	297	10	3 f 44	29.7	Eoin Shackleton	14.4	0	94	3	2 f 42	31.33
J.Heffaran	32	3	128	4	2 f 25	32	Colin Griffiths	· 45	4	162	9	3 f 15	18

For the 4th X1 it means next week's game against Monmouth 4th will be their last of the season. 4^{th} X1 Batting Averages (One game to go)

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4th X1	Innings	NotOnt	Runs	High Score	100'S	50's	Average
Name	4	3	124	85	0	0	124.00
R.Hayden S.Eccles	9	2	388	78	0	3	55-43
W.Eccles	5	3	95	39*	0	0	47.50
R.Sandford	2	1	43	43*	0	0	43.00
A.Eccles	6	i	87	24*	0	0	17.40
Gwyn Pritchard	1	0	16	6	0	0	16.00
James.Morris	5	0	72	25	0	0	14.40
Dan Gethings		0	23	18	0	0	11.50
Lloyd Sharp	2	1	8	0	0	0	8,00
Ioan.Parry	4	0	15	14	0	0	3.75
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4th X1 Bowling to Date

Name	0	M	R	W	Best	Av
Owain Bradley	62	14	148	18	6f9	8.22
Neil Smith	31	11	57	5	3 f 12	11.4
Gavin Nash	22.3	4	56	6	3 f 15	9.33
R.Sandford	14	4	45	5	4f19	9
Ryan Pugh	19	2	33	6	3 f 11	5.5

Abergavenny Bowler gains representative honours

Ben Morris made his debut for Wales National County in 3 day cricket taking five wickets (5-46)for Wales in their Game against Shropshire at Avenue Road his home ground, in the same game former Abergavenny batsman Morgan Bevans also shone with a well made half century (59) as Wales scored 352-8

Abergavenny's opening bowler Ben Morris made then his second Debut this time in one day cricket for the Wales National County at Port Talbot



Tom Norton shines for Wales Under 14's against Cheshire

A few days before his 14th birthday Tom Norton played a significant part in the Wales Under 14 victory over Cheshire scoring (27) in the first innings and (87) in the second innings. This talented youngster has achieved great success and goes from strength to strength, naturally a very attacking stroke maker he always seeks to put pressure on the bowling and is already a regular in the Abergavenny First X1 surpassing even such prominent players like Malcolm Nash, Michael Powell and Mark Wallace who all played First team cricket for Abergavenny but not when they were 13 years old

Abergavenny re-kindle their love affair with the Macey Shield

Thursday August 12th-Semi Final of the Macey Shield

Brecon V Abergavenny –Abergavenny have a long history of success in the Macey down the years and there was optimism that this year might be another chapter in that History as they travelled to Brecon for the semi-final. Abergavenny batted first and most of the players chipped in with important runs after losing both Will Glenn and James Francis with the score on 23 Lewis Holley and Greg Fury bated well to move the score on to 72 when Fury (23) was out at around the half way stage, sadly Holley (34) went quickly after Abergavenny eventually reached 134-8 which was possibly slightly below par. Brecon got away to a great start with 61 on the board before losing a wicket in the 10th over when former Abergavenny player L.Bowen (40) was out. Brecon then needed 73 runs with 9 wickets in hand

3 more wickets fell two of them to run outs meaning Brecon needed 7 runs from the last two overs, it is to the credit of the Abergavenny bowlers and fielders that they failed to do so with Abergavenny

winning by one run. They now face a stiffer challenge in the final against Premier League side Newport.

August 14th

A batting performance to forget, but a great fight back with the ball

The First X1 were away to Miskin Manor looking to avenge the defeat the suffered when Miskin beat them at home earlier in the season and winning the toss batted first, the wicket was a little slow at the start and the outfield was damp in fact the ball was changed afet 15 overs due to water getting under the seam, unfortunately they lost the prolific Andrew Jones (5) very early on, in just the 2nd over. Things went from bad to worse as Tom Pipe was out for (2) in the 3rd over quickly followed by Will Bragg for (3) in the 7th over with the score 28-3. This very soon became 32-4 when skipper Will Glenn (17) was out in the 10th over, further disaster at 38-5 in the next over as young Tom Norton failed for the first time in a while. Serious rebuilding was required and James Francis and Greg Fury set about that task, it was interrupted after a partnership of 35 when Greg Fury (15) was out 73-6. Sam Clarke attacked and scored a rapid (18) before being adjudged LBW 112-7. Meanwhile James Francis did what James Francis does and moved past yet another half century, Geraint Leach couldn't reproduce the heroics of the partnership with Francis he had against Radyr and was next out for (3) 126-8 in the 29th over. Could Francis nurse the tail to a competitive score? The answer was a resounding NO and he was last out for (53) 2 runs later, 128 all out in the 31st over he was the fourth victim to a LBW decision. Defending such a low score especially now the outfield was drying out, in a 50 over game it is essential that you pressurise the batting. David Clarke did just that taking a wicket with his 5th ball. His fellow opening bowler James Francis did exactly the same in his first over Miskin were 6 for 2 this quickly became 13 for 4 in the 8th over, Clarke and Francis with 2 wickets each. A partnership developed for the 5th wicket which realised 77 runs. Geraint Leach broke the partnership in the 24th over at 90-5 but was it too little too late, Maybe not as David Clarke came back for his second spell and struck immediately with two wickets in the over to reduce Miskin to 107-7. As Miskin crept closer to their target a further two wickets fell another one for David Clarke his 5th wicket and one for James Francis 122-9, but Miskin held their nerve and got over the line for a one wicket victory. David Clarke finished with figures of 10 Overs 3 Maidens 5 wickets for 21 runs, James Francis 3-23 and Geraint Leach 1-12. With 4 games left and with Pentyrch crushing win against Usk, promotion is no longer achievable. Next Saturday Newport Fugitives at Home

The 2nd X1 were at Home to Usk 2nd X1 the league leaders and it was Usk that batted first and after 31 over's they were 147-3, they lost another wicket but were able to accelerate in the last 14 overs to finish on 250-4, aided and abetted by forty (40) extras. The wickets were taken by Dan Cooke 2-43 and one wicket each for Kyle Holmes and Dylan Beaumont-Welsh. Dan Cooke fresh from taking 2 wickets opened the batting with Gareth Powell who was the first wicket to fall with the score on 31. There was then a stand of 84 for the 2nd wicket between Cooke and Lewis Holley (18) but 115-1 became 115-4, two runs later Dan Cooke was out for a well made (79) including twelve 4's and two 6's, this soon became 126-6, a second partnership of 49 runs then developed between Kyle Holmes (15) and Craig Whistance (30) but once that was broken at 174-7 there was little resistance and they were all out for 181 in 37 overs. The 3rd X1 were away to Crumlin 2nd X1 but the game was cancelled giving 5 points to the 3rd X1, next week they play Cynon Valley in their penultimate fixture and the 4th X1 were due to play their final league fixture away against Monmouth 4th X1 who also failed to raise a side and therefore conceded giving the 4th X1 20 points taking them to second place in the table, with only the undefeated Pencoed above them.

4th X1 Final Statistics

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Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Av
R.Pugh	19	2	33	6	3-11	5.5
S.Nanjan	6	1	21	3	3 - 21	7.0
O.Bradley	62	14	148	18	6-9	8.22
R.Sandford	14	4	45	5	4 - 19	9.0

G.Nash	22.3	4	56	6	3-15	9.33
L.Sharp	9	1	30	3	2 - 2	10.0
R.Bradley	6	0	33	3	2 -12	11.0
N.Smith	31	11	57	5	3 - 12	11.4
C.Griffiths	17	5	40	3	2 -15	13.3
D.Gethings	18	1	74	2	1 -21	37.0

Also Bowled

Tom Lawrence, J.Morris, A.Eccles, F.Williams, D.Gray, L.Williams, O.Shanbhang J.Bowden, L.Matthews, S.Eccles & G.Pritchard

Batting

Name	Inns	N/O	Runs	Best	50's	Av
R.Hayden	4	3	124	85	1	124.00
S.Eccles	9	2	388	78	3	55.43
W.Eccles	5	3	95	39*	0	47.50
R.Sandford	2	1	43	43*	0	43.00
A.Eccles	6	1	87	24*	0	17.40
J.Morris	5	0	72	25	0	14.40

Also Batted

G.Pritchard, D.Gethings, L.Sharp, I Parry, O.Bradley, R.James, C.Griffiths, T.Lawrence, L.Williams, I Fury, S.Reddy, H.Sullivan, F.Williams, R.Pugh, N.Smith, D.Parry, O.Shanbhag, Lotte Matthews

Catches-W.Eccles -1 and 3 stumpings, I.Parry -2 and 1 stumping, G.Pritchard -2, H.Sullivan -2. F.Williams, R.Chadthanamoorthy, T.Lawrence, G.Nash, Unsure, S.Eccles, R.Sandford, J.Morris, L.Williams, O.Shanbhang & R.Pugh - 1 catch each

34 different Players selected Nine games played in Total

Monday August 16th

Professional job by Under 13's

A very professional performance in the Semi final of the U13 Gwent Shield tonight from Abergavenny CC U13 against a very good Sudbrook team. Abergavenny scored a massive 178 for 2 in 20 overs. Olly Jones (37*) Leo Ling (73) Jack Ryan (34*) Due to tight bowling and excellent fielding, Sudbrook were restricted to 98 for 3 from 20 overs, Olly Jones (1-6) and Joe Fairbank (2-13)

Thursday August 19th

Abergavenny Under 15 v Llanarth Under 15 Semi Final

Tom Norton half century sees Under15's home

Llanarth made 106-8 with two wickets each for Ojas Shanbhag (2-11), for Steffan Davies (2-11) and one wicket each for Logan Williams 91-24) and Tom Norton (1-12) who also had a run out each. The total didn't trouble Abergavenny who through mainly Tom Norton with 50 not out and Logan Williams with (21) knocking off the required runs for the loss of just 2 wickets. They now play Newport in the Final in early September

Friday August 20th Mumbles Under 19 v Abergavenny Under 19



Abergavenny Under 19 X1

Back Row L-R D.Beaumont-Welsh, Tom Norton, Jonty Heffaran, Tom Lawrence, R.Sandford, Iestyn Davies (Umpire/Coach) Front Row L-R Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy, Archie Eccles, Steff Davies, Ojas Shanbhag, Tom Pipe, Will Eccles

Under 19 Bowlers too good for Mumbles youngsters

In a hundred ball game away at Mumbles who batted first and scored 75-5 with the key wicket taker being Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy who took 3-5 in his 20 balls, Jonty Heffaran with 1-12 from 10 balls, Robbie Sandford 1-8 and although he didn't take a wicket Dylan Beaumont –Welsh had figures of 0-6 off his 20 balls. Abergavenny made light work of their task after a bright start from Tom Norton (34) his fellow opener Tom Pipe score (9) and Dylan Beaumont –Welsh saw them home with (22*) Abergavenny only needing 43 of their 100 balls.

Saturday August 21st Rain causes all Senior game to be cancelled

The First X1 were at home to Newport Fugitives their 4th last fixture looking to reverse the result from when they met at Newport earlier in the season. Sadly the weather meant that there was no prospect of play. That means they have just 3 fixtures left Monmouth away next Saturday then two home games to finish off Lisvane and Pentyrch.

The 2nd X1 were away in their 2nd last fixture of the season, in the earlier game at Abergavenny skipper Steve Brown completed a century in a close victory, this game also fell foul to the weather, and they finish their season next week against Llanarth at home.

The $3^{\rm rd}$ X1 also playing their $2^{\rm nd}$ last fixture at Crickhowell against Cynon Valley who they beat by 10 wickets back in June in the away contest alas the weather intervened meaning all three senior games were rained off. Next week the $3^{\rm rd}$ X1 finish their season against Newport $4^{\rm th}$ X1 away.

Abergavenny Under 13 travelled to Newport on Friday August 27th to play in the Gwent Under 13 Super 8's tournament, and due to excellent powerful batting and tight bowling and fielding they were victorious. Pictured below is Captain Jack Ryan receiving winners medal from Mike Knight and the Under 13 Team



Jack Ryan (Capt) receives his medal from Mike Knight



Gwent Super 8 2021 Under 13 Winners Back Row L-R Shunryu Sheehan, Oscar Thadchanamoorthy, Jack Ryan (Capt) Eve Jackson, Tom Krige

Front Row L-R Dylan Bradley, Henry Sullivan, Joe Fairbank

Abergavenny First X1 complete the 'Double' over Monmouth

Saturday August 28th Abergavenny 1st X1 away at Monmouth, looking to secure the double over one of the more local rivals. Monmouth won the toss and batted they then managed to rack up a very useful 223-8 in their 50 overs this after losing a wicket with their score at 6 when David Clarke bowled one of the openers for a 'duck'. A few good partnerships developed and they reached 143-3 but they didn't take advantage of this position losing another 5 wickets in reaching 223-8. David Clarke followed up his season's best 5-21 against Miskin with 4-29. He was supported by Ben Morris and Sam Clarke with one wicket each and Lewis Holley with 2 wickets. Abergavenny started really well in their reply as the opening pair Andrew Jones and Tom Pipe raced past 100 to a 126 partnership before losing Jones (59) the 2nd wicket fell with the score on 183 with Pipe out for (68) his season's best. James Francis joined Will Glenn and took up the reins and further increased the tempo scoring ten 4's and two 6's between them to pass the total in the 40th over. Next week Lisvane are the visitors to Avenue Road

Llanarth complete the 'Double' over 2nd X1

The 2nd X1 were at home in their final game to Llanarth who were looking to complete their double over Abergavenny 2nd X1 having beaten them earlier in the season. Abergavenny batted first on a beautiful afternoon and were soon in trouble losing 4 wickets for 46 runs a very good partnership then followed between Ellis Jones and Craig Whistance of 87 runs, Ellis Jones completing his highest score of the season a well made (70) Craig Whistance also with his season's best (48) the middle and late order were unable to develop significant partnerships and they only managed to reach 174-8 in their 45 overs, which was probably below par. Llanarth got away to a good start and put on 76 for the first wicket. There then followed a good spell for the Abergavenny bowlers spearheaded by skipper Steve

Brown and Llanarth were reduced to 103-5 alas the 6th wicket partnership saw Llanarth home in the 41st over. Chairman Andy Timpson on his first appearance for the 2nd X1 took 1-39 and Steve Brown 3-26. Abergavenny 2nd X1 finished in 6th place in Division 5. Winning 7 Losing 7 and 4 games cancelled.

2nd X1 Batting Averages

Name	Inns	NO	Runs	Best	Average
A.Holmes	4	0	216	68	54.00
L.Holley	3	0	145	83	48.33
C.Gedge	9	3	185	77*	30.83
D.Heffernan	3	0	90	56	30.00
G.Powell	13	1	343	63*	28.58
N.Holley	9	3	173	48*	28.83
C.Whistance	3	0	85	48	28.33
S.Brown	9	1	220	120	27.50
M.Knight	6	2	96	57*	24.00
K.Holmes	6	3	70	24*	23.33
E.Jones	13	0	283	70	17.75
T.Norton	4	0	47	29	6.75

Also batted-Dylan Beaumont Welsh, Lewys Wilkes McCarthy, Jonty Hefferan, David Clarke, Geraint Adlam, Nathan Byrne, Ieuan Fury, Lee Fury, T.Afridi, T.Pipe, G.Leach, Nick Francis, Daniel Du-Plessis, Logan Williams

Total Players used-31

2nd X1 Bowling Averages

Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Average
T.Norton	22	1	92	7	2-12	13.14
S.Brown	22	2	105	7	3-26	15.00
M.Knight	46	3	207	11	4-35	18.81
L.W-	81	6	326	16	3-12	20.37
McCarthy						
D.B-Welsh	73.4	5	300	12	3-38	25.00
K.Holmes	78	6	334	11	3-44	30.36
J.Hefferan	47	5	183	4	2 -25	45.75
C.Gedge	34	0	218	4	2-39	54.50

Also Bowled- G.Leach, T.Afridi,Lewis Holley, Craig Whistance,Ryan Jones, Logan Williams, Nathan Byrne, David Clarke,Geraint Adlam. Andy impson, Dan Cooke, James Morris. Gareth Powell

Krige and James shine in 3rd X1 defeat

The 3rd X1 were away against Newport 4th X1 in their final fixture for the season. Newport won the toss and inserted Abergavenny 3rd X1, who made a useful total of 186-4 in their 40 overs. Mainly due to the contribution of young Tom Krige (61 Not Out) and Richard James (51 Not out) 4th X1 skipper Stuart Eccles (29) and Ross Hayden (11) were the other contributors. Newport after a shaky start with wickets for Angus Price 2-25, Owain Bradley 1-28 and one each for Richard James and Shunryu Sheehan were indebted to 27 extras as well as Abid Masood and David Simpson who saw their team home for the loss of 5 wickets with 8 overs to spare. Abergavenny 3rds finished the season in 6th place in Division 9 with 6 wins 6 losses and 6 cancellations.

3rd X1 Batting Averages

Name	Inns	NO	Runs	Best	Average
E.Shackleton	4	1	105	53	35.00
G.Adlam	3	1	65	43	32.50
D.Du-Plessis	6	2	120	28	30.00
W.Jones	7	1	168	60	28.00
L.Fury	5	1	93	35*	23.25
W.Eccles	5	0	86	39	17.20
L.Williams	3	0	56	36	18.66
D.Gethings	6	1	70	52*	14.00
K.Purnell	6	3	36	11*	12.00
R.James	7	3	105	51*	26.30
M.Winstanley	4	0	23	11	5.75

Also Batted-I.Fury, Angus Price, C.Griffiths, Graig Lenane, Jonty Heffaran, Craig Whistance, Steffan Davies, James Morris, Sugunesh Nanjan, Dylan Beaumont-Welsh, C.Sanapala, Kyle Holmes, Robbie Sandford, Mark Withey, Stuart Eccles, Ross Hayden, Sion Hayward, Ryland Wallace, Rhys Bradley, H.Tamlyn, A.Eccles, D.Heffernan, Andy Timpson, C.Sangapana, Tom Krige,

43 players selected

3rd X1 Bowling Averages

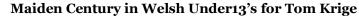
Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Average
A.Price	31.3	7	141	7	2 - 0	20.14
C.Griffiths	54	4	195	9	3 -15	21.66
D.Du Plessis	58	5	196	8	3 -11	24.50
R.James	61.4	3	294	8	2 -24	36.75
J.Heffaran	41	5	173	4	2 -18	43.25

Also Bowled- Chai Sanapala,Mike Withey, Craig Lenane, Geraint Adlam, Robbie Sandford, Steffan Davies, James Morris, Logan Williams, Ryan Pugh, Sugunesh Nanjan, Dylan Beaumont –Welsh, Greg Spencer, Dan Gethings, Drew Heffernan, Andy Timpson, Eoin Shackleton, Owain Bradley, Lotte Matthews, Shunryu Sheehan

Thursday September 2nd

Under 19's lose in Cricket Wales Hundred Semi-Final

Abergavenny Under 19 travelled to North Wales to play Colwyn Bay Under 19,s in the Cricket Wales Under 19 Hundred Semi Final unfortunately they suffered defeat as Colwyn Bay totalled 157 and Abergavenny fell well short being all out for 66 runs Tom Norton run out after facing 1 ball. There was runs from Tom Pipe (23) and Archie Eccles (19). Disappointing but they can be proud of the cricket they played this year and it is no small feat to reach the Semi Final. The Junior Presentation this year will be an outdoor event on Sunday September 19th commencing at 2pm, when both the 2020 and 2021 Seasons will be recognised.



Tom Krige (pictured Left) scored his first Century (106) for Wales Under 13 against Cornwall at Lisvane Cricket Club

Saturday September 4th



Andrew Jones scores his 23rd Century in his 20th season

Abergavenny 1st X1 were at home to Lisvane CC in their penultimate game with an earlier start as the season winds down. Winning the toss Abergavenny batted first and lost Tom Pipe (12) and Will Glenn (11) to be 73-2 in the 15th over. Andrew Jones and James Francis then developed a partnership which at drinks after 25 overs stood at 55 runs, after drinks they ploughed on passing 200 and taking their partnership to 140 with 13 over's remaining. The partnership came to an end a little later when James Francis (81) was 3rd out with the score on 214.

At this point young Tom Norton joined Andrew Jones but he was run out for (7) Lewis Holley was next in. Andrew batted on to what looked an inevitable century and his 23rd century for the club far the leading century maker in the 187 year history. He was 5th out for (115) fifteen fours and a six in 117 balls faced, with the score on 261 in the 46th over. The middle and lower order pushed hard to try and reach 300 but in doing so lost wickets to finish 3 short of 300 at 297-8 in their allocated 50 overs

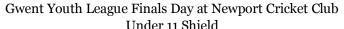
With one game to go this season Andrew Jones Career stats are phenomenal more so when considering he is only available due to work commitments for on average 8 games per Season

Innings	Not Out	Runs	Best	100's	50's	Average
169	22	8,275	177	23	51	56.29

Ben Morris and David Clarke set about the Lisvane batsmen, but it wasn't until the 9th over that they took the first wicket as Morris trapped Padmanabhan lbw 30-1. James Francis and Sam Clarke replaced the opening bowlers and it was Sam who struck with the score on 78 in the 17th over.Lisvane needing over 6 ½ per over for the remaining 33 overs. Young Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy replaced Francis in the 22nd over, but at the halfway stage Lisvane were 115-2. They progressed to 169-3 and then 205-3 but with just 9 overs remaining, they did lose another 4 wickets in reaching the respectable score of 253 for 7 at the close for the 3rd match running David Clarke was in the wickets with 2-49, consolidating his position as leading wicket taker, his fellow opening bowler Ben Morris 2 for 47 and Sam Clarke chipped in with his best return of the season 3 for 46. Abergavenny complete their League campaign next week at home to the Champions elect Pentyrch CC

Sunday September 5th

Well done to our juniors today who took part in Gwent Shield Finals Day for the 2nd consecutive year. It was great to see the U11 and U13 teams retain their shields by defeating Newport Cricket Club in both finals. The U15s performed valiantly against Newport but came up short with Newport being deserved winners.





Under 13 Shield Final



Jack Ryan all round performance sees Abergavenny home

Newport Under 13 batted first and after 220 overs they scored 90 for 9 the wicket takers for Abergavenny Under 13 were Ahunryu Sheehan 1-27, Tom Krige 1-14, Oliver Jones 2-16 and Captain Jack Ryan 3-12. Abergavenny reached their target in the 17th over for the loss of 8 wickets, they were indebted to their skipper Jack Ryan with (39) who completed a great all round game, backed up by

Eve Jackson with (17) Under 15 Shield Final

Under 15 can't emulate the Under 13's

Newport Under 15 also batted first and batted really well to reach 185-1 in their 20 overs, which was a very challenging target indeed. This became even more challenging for Abergavenny as Tom Krige was out to the first ball of innings. Logan Williams and Daniel Du-Plessis set about repairing the damage and did really well to reach 75 before Du-Plessis (33) was out quickly followed by Logan Williams (36) on the same score. Leaving Abergavenny requiring 111 from 46 balls, which proved beyond them despite 14 not out from captain Steffan Davies they finished on 109-5 losing by 76 runs

Unfortunately we couldn't repeat last year's heroics but Well done all you represented the club fantastically and it's been a great summer with teams at U13

and U₁₅ Welsh Cup Finals Day and also the U₁₉ getting to the National

ball semi final.

Huge thanks goes to all the parents and coaches who have helped with teams and transporting your child to games. We look forward to celebrating the past 2 years of success at our junior club presentation day on Sunday 19th September at Avenue Road.

Saturday September 11th

Man of the Match for Abergavenny James Francis reaches his 2nd Century of the season but misses out on a 1000 runs and can't prevent 6th defeat of the season

Abergavenny 1st X1 v Pentyrch CC the final game of the Season- League Leaders against 4th placed Winning the toss Abergavenny captain decided to insert Pentyrch and this decision was justified in the very first over as Ben Morris took the first wicket with the 7th ball having earlier bowled a wide. In the 6th over James Francis bowled McKain 24-2. Sam Clarke took the 3rd wicket in the 14th over however Pentyrch had reached 80-3 they passed 100 before the 20th over Jamie Mills being particularly harsh on the Abergavenny bowlers with 64 of his 73 not out in boundaries. They moved on to 139-3 at the half way stage. Sam Clarke then bowled Mills 9 short of his century 143-4. The 5th wicket fell at 187 and with nine overs remaining Pentyrch were 233-5, they finished on 294-8 there were late wickets for James Francis who finished with 3-48.

Needing a good start when chasing 295 to win and with three of their top batsmen missing, Abergavenny lost Tom Pipe for a duck to the 4th ball of their innings, which compounded their problems. However the two leading run scorers James Francis and Will Glenn were determined to finish the season well and after 14 overs were still together with 92 runs on the board. They took their

partnership past 100 but then Will Glenn (46) was out 110-2 after just 17 overs. Tom Norton got a start but was out for (19) 148-3 in the 23rd over. Could James Francis once again come to the rescue? Sam Clarke (3) and Ellis Jones(1) both failed to stay with Francis as Abergavenny slipped to 177-5 as did Ben Morris (1) who was the 6th wicket to fall. Mean while James Francis went serenely on to his 2nd Century of the season, sadly he was dismissed after reaching 100 and with him any hope of upsetting the Champions elect. Abergavenny not for the first time this season losing wickets in clusters going from 161-3 to 221 all out with 8.4 over's remaining.

1st X1 Batting Averages

Name	Inns	NO	Runs	Best	Average
J.Francis	19	4	923	101 *	61.53
A.Jones	7	1	315	115	52.50
W.Glenn	19	1	540	122	30.00
W.Bragg	11	1	279	68	27.90
T.Norton	14	2	299	58	24.92
G.Leach	8	3	122	33	24.40
B.Morris	7	5	44	16	22.00
S.Clarke	13	4	192	25	21.33
T.Pipe	16	0	305	68	19.06
L.Holley	8	0	107	41	13.38
G.Fury	13	2	81	35	7.36
T.Afridi	9	1	54	14	6.63
D.Clarke	11	0	71	17	6.45

Also batted- N.Byrne, Ellis Jones, Dale Parry, Charlie Gedge, Matthew Knight, M.J.Powell, Alex Holmes, Ben Davies, Nathan Holley, Dylan Beaumont-Welsh, Jonty Heffaran

1st X1 Bowling Averages

Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Average
B.Davies	52.3	6	166	13	5-10	12.76
D.Clarke	114	8	501	29	5 -21	17.27
T.Afridi	78.2	5	282	18	3-33	17.63
G.Leach	76.1	6	361	17	4-18	21.23
B.Morris	113.3	7	487	20	5-37	24.35
T.Norton	52.3	3	286	11	4-11	26.00
S.Clarke	122	13	528	16	3 - 46	33.00
J.Francis	153.3	10	673	19	3 -23	35.42

Also Bowled

Lewys Wilkes-McCarthy, Dylan Beaumont-Welsh, Will Bragg, Nathan Byrne, Lewis Holley, Matthew Knight, Charlie Gedge. Jonty Heffaran, Will Glenn

Catches-Greg Fury 16 catches and 2 stumpings, Will Glenn -9, James Francis -7 Will Bragg, Sam Clarke & Tom Pipe -5, Tom Norton -4

Saturday September 18th 2021

Abergavenny 1st X1 played their final competitive game at Avenue Road on Saturday in the Final of the Macey Shield against Premier League side Newport CC. Winning the toss Newport batted first and totalled 185-4 in their 20 overs, with many in their numbers on the Glamorgan CCC books in some capacity or other, including Harry Friend, Callum Taylor, Morgan Bevans and Mujahid Ilyas. The outstanding run scorer was Harry Friend (84*) For Abergavenny James Francis with 2-29 Sam Clarke 1-33 and Ben Morris 1-39 took the wickets to fall. In reply Abergavenny made a very bold attempt with great knocks from Greg Fury (44) James Francis (51) and Tom Norton (43*) with three overs remaining Abergavenny required 37 to win and young Tom Norton almost made it a reality with two sixes off Harry Friend at the start of the 19th over, but Abergavenny couldn't quite make it and fell

7 runs short. Newport adding the Macey Shield to the Premier League T20 they won earlier, they also made it to the final of the Welsh Cup losing to Swansea. Abergavenny proving that if they can win promotion to the upper echelons of Welsh Cricket they would be competitive.



Back Row L-R S.Clarke, M.Knight, B.Morris, T.Afridi, J.Francis. E. Jones Front Row L-R T.Norton, D.Clarke, W.Glenn (Capt) G.Fury, T.Pipe



 $Newport\ CC\mbox{-} Team\ members$ $H.Friend, J. Waughington,\ C. Taylor, M. Bevans,\ M. Ilys, S. Senarathne,\ N. Berry,\ P. Maclean,\ C. Stewart,\ M. Claydon$



Morgan Bevans, Ben Morris & Tom Norton Cones

Six a Side Winners- The Traffic

Presentation Evening September 25th



Chairman's Award-G.Powell, 1st X1 Player of the Year-J.Francis, 2nd X1 Player of the Year Lewys W-McCarthy, 4th X1 Player of the Year-W.Eccles



Young Player of the Year-Tom Norton, Under 19 Player of the Year-T.Norton, Most Improved Young Player-J.Heffaran, Personality Award-W.Eccles

 3^{rd} X1 Player of the Year -D. Du-Plessis