

1936 Season  
President – JR Jacob  
Hon Secretary- SRC Thomas  
Hon Treasurer- A.Lucas  
Captain 1<sup>st</sup> X1- Guy O'Daly  
Vice Captain 1<sup>st</sup> X1- H.Sharpe  
2<sup>nd</sup> X1 Captain- ET Bowen  
2<sup>nd</sup> X1 Vice Captain- EG Nash  
Thursday Capt- Guy O'Daly  
Thursday Vice Captain- AL Pragnell

AGM held at the Greyhound Hotel, Mrs Morris continued with the catering. Subs were reduced to 10/6d from a Guinea

Not a really good Season. Despite the fact that the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 only lost 2 matches I.Cook left the Club, tempted elsewhere. JR Jonathan retired from playing cricket. R.Floyd restricted to Thursday Cricket. The Rev Wildblood's son M.Wildblood played whenever his commitments allowed. Subscriptions were reduced to 10s 6d to try and attract players.

1<sup>st</sup> X1- Played 16, Won 9, Lost 2, drew 5, with 3 matches cancelled.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 played 17, Won 7, Lost 5, Drew 5 and the

Thursday X1 Played 13, Won 6, Lost 6, Drew 1, with one match cancelled.

In all 61 fixtures were arranged, 46 of which were completed we lost 15 to bad weather. The Club only had 21 regular playing members for the 3 teams but still 71 different men represented the Club

1936 was marked by two features which affected the cricket. In the first place the fixture list was in disarray, secondly the Club was short of players.

Monmouth had not prepared their ground for the visit of Abergavenny 1<sup>st</sup> X1 but Monmouth 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 came to Avenue Road and were 51 all out. AL.Pragnell taking 6 wickets for 3 runs. Abergavenny were 17-5 at one stage in reply but Guy O'Daly batting at number six ensured victory ending up with (103\*) with seventeen fours and one six.

Usk scored 147 at Avenue Road, O'Daly took 6-33, leaving 90 minutes only to Abergavenny, but O'Daly's [72\*] with C.Honeywell [22] and C.Price [21] making contributions raised the total to 151-5 for a good win.

There were many games this season in which O'Daly's name figures in favourable terms, but others had their successes. R.Honeywell made [72\*] in an abandoned game with Hereford, against Panteg W.Robinson and O'Daly each took five wickets for 43 runs to confine Panteg to a total of 87. In reply O'Daly made a rapid [85] with 10 fours and 2 sixes out of the Abergavenny total of 170, Robinson [19], H.Sharpe [22] Other sound cricketers were SHG Waters who made [53] in another game against Panteg, E.Willis Morgan in the 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 who made [54] against Panteg 2<sup>nd</sup> X1, WC 'Billy' Adams (brother to Tommy Adams) who made [77] against Hereford Thursday X1 and EG Nash who did well at bowling and batting for the 2<sup>nd</sup> X1

One game illustrates that unpredictability in cricket which works for or against a Captains intentions and adds to the lore of the game with Bernard Hill taking 5 wickets in 5 deliveries against Brecon Barracks [See the Cutting on the next page of the July 2<sup>nd</sup> game between Abergavenny 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 and South Wales Borderers.

The last few matches bore the marks of brilliance that characterised the season. Against Monmouth Thursday X1 Abergavenny declared at 244-6, T.Adams [103] G.O'Daly [85] to which Monmouth responded with 85 All Out. G.O'Daly- 6-10 and Myatt 2-14. Against Builth Abergavenny declared 242-3, Guy O'Daly scored 107 he reached his 100 in 51 minutes. Builth were dismissed for 92 runs.

Best Batting award for the Thursday X1 went to Guy O'Daly who averaged 29.2

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## CRICKET COMMENTARY

### REMARKABLE BOWLING FEAT

#### FIVE WICKETS WITH FIVE SUCCESSIVE BALLS

#### ABERGAVENTNY 2nd XI v. S.W.B., BRECON

Played at Abergavenny on Saturday and won by Abergavenny by six wickets. Scores:—

| SOUTH WALES BORDERERS                   |           |
|---|-----------|
| L. Crewe-Read b A. L. Pragnell.....     | 2         |
| Sergt. Ferguson b B. Hill.....          | 15        |
| Sergt. Price b Pragnell.....            | 0         |
| Lt. Pragnell lbw b W. H. Robinson....   | 0         |
| Capt. Cooper b W. H. Robinson.....      | 0         |
| Sergt. Tattersall c Powell b Robinson.. | 2         |
| Pte. Blackwell b Hill.....              | 1         |
| Pte. Kesnan c A. Powell b Hill.....     | 0         |
| Pt. Jones not out.....                  | 0         |
| Pte. Heard c and b B. Hill.....         | 0         |
| Pte. Brown c and b B. Hill.....         | 0         |
| Extras.....                             | 1         |
| <b>Total</b> .....                      | <b>21</b> |

| ABERGAVENTNY SECONDS                               |           |
|--|-----------|
| B. Hill st Sgt. Tattersall b Sgt Ferguson          | 0         |
| C. Honeywell not out.....                          | 40        |
| H. Larwood b Sgt. Ferguson.....                    | 0         |
| R. A. Powell b Sgt. Ferguson.....                  | 7         |
| W. H. Robinson c Pte Jones b Lt. Burney            | 6         |
| W. W. N. Morgan st Sgt. Tattersall b Sgt. Ferguson | 2         |
| J. P. Adams st Sgt. Tattersall b Lt. Burney        | 3         |
| R. Godfrey c and b Sgt. Ferguson.....              | 1         |
| R. Honeywell lbw b Lt. Burney.....                 | 3         |
| A. L. Pragnell b Pte. Jones.....                   | 19        |
| E. T. Bowen lbw b Sgt. Ferguson.....               | 4         |
| Extras.....  | 5         |
| <b>Total</b> .....                                 | <b>90</b> |

| S.W.B.—second Innings                 |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sgt. Tattersall run out.....          | 15        |
| Pt. Brown c B. Hill b E. T. Bowen.... | 0         |
| Capt. Cooper b E. T. Bowen.....       | 0         |
| Sgt. Ferguson not out.....            | 27        |
| Pte. Blackwell b E. T. Bowen.....     | 0         |
| Pte. Heard b E. T. Bowen.....         | 7         |
| Pte. Jones b J. P. Adams.....         | 0         |
| Sgt. Price not out.....               | 6         |
| Extras.....                           | 4         |
| <b>Total for 6 wkts</b> .....         | <b>59</b> |

| ABERGAVENTNY SECONDS—Second Innings          |           |
|--|-----------|
| R. Honeywell st Sgt. Tattersall b Pte. Heard | 22        |
| A. L. Pragnell c Pte Brown b Pte. Kesnan     | 24        |
| J. P. Adams c Capt. Cooper b Pte Heard       | 8         |
| H. Larwood not out.....                      | 12        |
| C. Honeywell not out.....                    | 12        |
| Extras.....                                  | 0         |
| <b>Total for 3 wkts</b> .....                | <b>78</b> |

There is only one local cricket match to comment upon this week, as Pontypool cancelled their match with the Thursdays last week and the 1st XI had no fixture on Saturday. However, to make up for the dearth of cricket, a remarkable feat has to be recorded by an Abergavenny bowler. This was performed by B. Hill, who, playing for Abergavenny 2nds against the S.W.B. on the Avenue Road ground, took five wickets with five successive balls.

#### Other Bowling Feats

The S.W.B. took first innings and had lost six wickets for 21 against the bowling of W. H. Robinson and A. L. Pragnell. The Abergavenny captain, E. T. Bowen, thought that the wickets were falling too quickly to make anything like a game of it, so he changed his bowling, and put on B. Hill to see if the Brecon men would fare any better. To the surprise of everybody, Hill took the other five wickets without any addition to the score and polished off the innings in quick style. He bowled only two overs. The first over was a maiden, and the first ball of the second did not produce a run, and then the last five balls of the over each took a wicket. Two victims were clean bowled and two were caught by Hill himself. So far as we know, the feat has never been performed locally before or even in South Wales, but it has been equalled and beaten in good class cricket. Five wickets in five balls were taken by A. Cazenove, playing for Oxford University against Oxfordshire in 1853, and in 1859 J. Wisden took six wickets in six successive balls for England against the United States and Canadian team. On three occasions in matches of minor importance eight wickets have been taken with eight successive balls. The record is nine wickets with nine balls, and this feat was performed in 1931 by Paul Hugo in a school game in South Africa for Smithfield v. Alwal North. Hill's is a very noteworthy feat. He is a fast-medium paced bowler, and this is his first season with Abergavenny.

#### Extra Innings

With two exceptions, Abergavenny did not shine with the bat, and of their total of 90 C. Honeywell scored 40 not out and A. L. Pragnell 19. Sergt. Ferguson took six of the wickets for 38, and Lieut. Burney three for 13. As it was only just after 5 o'clock when the Abergavenny innings concluded, it was decided that each side should play a second innings of half an hour, and in that time the S.W.B. had scored 59 for six and Abergavenny 2nds 78 for three. Hill was not given a chance to show what he could do on the second occasion. Bowen took four of the wickets for 20, and J. P. Adams one for 6. In the first innings of the S.W.B., Robinson took three for 15, and Pragnell two for 5.

Bernard Hill of Abergavenny 2nd XI was brought on to bowl to give the South Wales Borderers Team some runs. They were 21-5 when he came on and two overs later were 21 all out. He bowled a maiden over and the first ball of his second did not produce a run. He then took 5 wickets with his next 5 balls



Leading players in 1936- First X1-O'Daly, Robinson, SHG Waters, R. Honeywell and Pragnell, 2nd X1-E. Nash, EW Morgan, E. Bowen, Robinson, Godfrey, Pragnell, A. Davies, Hill, Thursday X1-above and R. Floyd, T. Adams, W. Adams.

# ABERGAVENNY CRICKET CLUB

## RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS - SEASON 1936

| RECEIPTS                            |          |           | PAYMENTS                              |          |                |
|-------------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|----------|----------------|
|                                     | 1936     | 1935      |                                       | 1936     | 1935           |
|                                     | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.   |                                       | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.        |
| Subscriptions: Players              | £19 10 6 |           | Rent, less Schedule "A"               | 26 6 7   | (1932) 25 19 9 |
| Non-Players                         | 57 1 0   | 54 17 0   | Rates                                 | 7 13 10  | 7 9 6          |
| do. 1934 and 1936                   |          | 2 7 0     | Taxes (Sched. A & B. and Land Tax)    | 2 12 8   | 3 7 9          |
|                                     | 76 11 6  |           | Insurances                            | 52 6 0   | 48 16 9        |
| Collections at Matches              | 13 9 1   | 19 4 6    | Wages                                 | 17 16 4  | 18 13 4        |
| Cricketers' Cards                   |          | 9 5 6     | Kit—Repairs and Renewals              | 9 14 4   |                |
| Rents:— K.H.G.S.                    | 12 10 0  | 12 10 0   | Alterations and Repairs               | 10 1 3   | 7 14 4         |
| Hockey Club                         | 10 0 0   | 10 0 0    | "Atco" Overhauling and Repairs        | 3 14 7   | 2 8 2          |
| Ladies' Hockey Club                 |          | 3 0 0     | Coal, Oil and Petrol                  |          |                |
| Share of Rents                      |          | 5 19 5    | Match Expenses                        | £15 11 6 |                |
| Grazing                             | 4 0 0    | 4 0 0     | Less Receipts                         | 8 2 0    |                |
| Bar Profits (see Catering Account)  | 19 6 7   | 30 1 10   | Printing, Stationery and Advertising  | 7 13 10  | 12 4 3         |
| Teas Profits (see Catering Account) | 12 4 6   | 7 12 7    | Rolling                               | 1 13 3   | 6 10 6         |
| Total Receipts                      | 148 1 8  | 158 17 10 | Postages and Telephones               | 3 19 5   | 1 16 10        |
| Balance brought forward             | 16 3 10  | 24 1 6    | Cheque Book                           | 0 4 0    | 0 5 0          |
|                                     | £164 5 6 | £182 19 4 | Gratuities                            | 2 0 0    | 4 0 6          |
|                                     |          |           | Sundries                              | 2 16 6   |                |
|                                     |          |           | Payment of Outstanding Accounts, 1935 | 6 0 4    |                |
|                                     |          |           | Total Payments                        | 162 2 5  | 166 15 6       |
|                                     |          |           | Balance carried forward               | 2 3 1    | 16 3 10        |
|                                     |          |           |                                       | £164 5 6 | £182 19 4      |

## CATERING ACCOUNT

| 1936       |          | 1935       |                         | 1936          |                | 1935    |         |
|------------|----------|------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------|---------|
|            | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.    |                         | £ s. d.       | £ s. d.        | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| Bar Sales  | 84 13 7  | 99 10 4    | BAR: Purchases          | 48 3 3        | 53 13 3        |         |         |
| Teas Sales | 43 11 9  | 31 9 6     | Licence and Excise Duty | 0 13 9        | 0 15 3         |         |         |
|            |          |            | Wages                   | 16 10 0       | 15 0 0         |         |         |
|            |          |            | <b>Profit</b>           | <b>19 6 7</b> | <b>30 1 10</b> |         |         |
|            |          |            | TEAS: Purchases         | 23 10 9       | 18 16 11       |         |         |
|            |          |            | Wages                   | 7 16 6        | 5 0 0          |         |         |
|            |          |            | <b>Profit</b>           | <b>12 4 6</b> | <b>7 12 7</b>  |         |         |
|            | £128 5 4 | £130 19 10 |                         | £128 5 4      | £130 19 10     |         |         |

## BALANCE SHEET

| LIABILITIES                     |          |           | ASSETS                             |         |           |
|---------------------------------|----------|-----------|------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
|                                 | £ s. d.  | £ s. d.   |                                    | £ s. d. | £ s. d.   |
| RENT—Arrears, less Schedule A:— |          |           | Interest in Ground                 |         | 105 0 0   |
| Due 1/1/33                      | £32 0 0  | £6 12 6   | Kit, etc., at Valuation—March 1937 |         | 79 10 2   |
| “ 1/1/34                        | £32 0 0  | £6 12 6   | Cash at Bank                       |         | 2 3 1     |
| “ 1/1/35                        | £32 0 0  | £5 19 3   |                                    |         |           |
| “ 1/1/36                        | £32 0 0  | £5 19 3   |                                    |         |           |
| “ 1/1/37                        | £32 0 0  | £6 2 3    |                                    |         |           |
|                                 | £160 0 0 | £31 5 9   |                                    |         |           |
| Sundry Creditors                |          | Nil       |                                    |         |           |
| Capital                         |          | 57 19 0   |                                    |         |           |
|                                 |          | £186 13 3 |                                    |         |           |
|                                 |          |           |                                    |         | £186 13 3 |

A. LUCAS, HON. TREASURER.

Audited and found correct in accordance with the Books of Account and Vouchers produced to me,—

D. R. DORRELL,  
HON. AUDITOR.

30th March, 1937.

