

Abergavenny Cricket Club History

1955 Season

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1st X1 Captain- L.White

Abergavenny's poor start to Season

A poor start to the season-In the match against Richmond (Cardiff) the bowlers were Bob Hodson, Bill McPherson, Bob Jennings and Wyn Williams [4 wickets]. Richmond 114-9, W.Williams 4-24. Abergavenny 72 all out, V.Jones (20) G.Alderton (18) M.Stock (12)

Next up was a draw against Panteg Abergavenny 131 all out, S.Workman (12) W.Binding (18) C.Berrington (21) R.Hodson (18) E.Tovey (28) W.Williams [13] Drew with Panteg. Panteg 102-3, B.Woolford (26) G.Richards (28*) S.Workman and Dick Jones bowling well for Abergavenny

This isn't good enough Abergavenny !

May 7th A low scoring defeat against Brecon who were bowled out for 95, Williams 5-28 and Sanders 4-15. However Abergavenny were all out for 67, S.Workman (24) L.White (16) John Hill kept wicket well and the fielding was improved.

2nd X1 notch first win

Last season captain Harold Bowkett and top run scorer was in good form with [26] Brecon 2nd X1 were all out for 38. Bowkett 3 wickets, Hodson 4 wickets, MacPherson and Thomas one wicket each

May 14th Things improved against Builth Wells who were all out for 53, Dick Jones, Saunders and Workman taking wickets. This was in reply to Abergavenny scoring 138-3 declared,S.Workman (52) W.Williams (39*)

Cardiff Choristers had little to sing about

May 15th The Cardiff Choristers were well and truly trounced, Abergavenny 179-8 with runs from S.Workman (38) L.White (42) C.Berrington (34). Cardiff Choristers 53 all out. Williams, White and Workman with wickets.

May 21st Another victory followed against Blaina who were 49 all out, Workman and Jones with the wickets five each.. Abergavenny themselves lost 8 wickets in reaching their target 56-8 Lew White scoring (16) only player in double figures for Abergavenny.

Hodson's fine bowling

A remarkable spell of bowling saw Hodson take 8 wickets for 5 runs in 5 overs and Bill MacPherson with 2 for six.

Abergavenny batsmen in aggressive mood

Sunday May 22nd Abergavenny 168 all out S.Workman (46) G.Alderton (22) W.Williams (44) Pat Kendle X1 101 all out

Whit Monday May 30th Usk 129 all out Workman 2 wickets, Alderton 2 wickets, White 5 wickets and McPherson one wicket. Abergavenny 74 all out G.Alderton (33) L.Hodson (17) Meanwhile the 2nd X1 were beating Usk 2nd X1 Usk -105 all out Pritchard and Bowkett 4 wickets each, one each for Thomas and Cox. Abergavenny 2nd X1 winning by 4 wickets. Bowkett [1] P.Bishop [32] F.Nicholls[27*] Reeves and Evans 12 runs each.

Leading Batting Averages					
	INS.	RUNS	N.O.	H.S.	A.
S. Workman	..8	188	0	52	23.5
W. Williams	..7	127	1	44	21.16
G. Alderton	..9	159	0	51	17.66
C. Berrington	..7	79	2	34*	15.8
L. White	..7	89	0	42	12.71
		*not out			

Leading Bowling Averages						
	O	M	R	W	AV.	
W. Williams	..	58.4	9	132	21	6.28
R. Jones	..	43.2	9	93	12	7.75
W. Saunders	..	49.2	8	103	12	8.50
S. Workman	..	79	28	155	18	8.61

Averages after nine fixtures

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After this defeat to Usk Abergavenny scraped a draw with Brynmawr who scored 136-6 declared Saunders (4), Workman (1) and Hodson (1) taking wickets. Abergavenny limped to 76-7 with G.Alderton (51) scoring almost all the runs single handed.

Sunday June 5th Another draw followed with Bridgend who scored 140-9 declared Wickets for White (4) Bob Jennings (2) McPherson and Alderton I each. Abergavenny 139-7 falling 2 runs short of victory, Bob Jennings (60) and G.Alderton (23)

'Sea-siders' on top at Avenue Road

Sunday June 12th The seasiders Barry beat Abergavenny by 7 wickets. Abergavenny 89 all out Tovey, Workman and Berrington the main contributors. Barry 91-3 Workman 2-18 and L.White 1-13.

W.Saunders takes a magnificent 8-41 in drawn game

June 1958 -Yet another draw ensued against Pontypridd who were all out for 157 W.Saunders 8-41. Abergavenny 79-8 S.Workman (23) L.White (19)

The 2nd X1 also went down to a heavy defeat to Pontypridd 2nd X1. Abergavenny 2nd X1 56 all out WE Mayo [25] Pontypridd 2nd X1 59-3 one wicket each for Hodson & MacPherson.

Abergavenny in trouble against Lydney

June 18th Lydney 107 all out, B.Saunders 4-6, Jones 4-48, Workman 2-13. Abergavenny 81 all out W.Williams (18) C.Berrington (22) R.Jennings (16*) M.Stock [11] The 2nd X1 under the influence of the bright sun fared better at Lydney than the senior side did at home. Abergavenny 2nd X1 128 H.Bowkett [13] Bishop [14] Wyn E Mayo [34] Lydney 2nd X1 – 115 Pritchard and Thomas took full toll of the Lydney 2nd X1 batsmen.

White lashes out against Usk

June 25th Abergavenny 164-7 Lew White (66*) G.Alderton (18) Berrington [16] D.Jones [15]Usk holding on for a draw. 129-7 D.Jones 3-33, Workman and Saunders 2 wickets each.

A two wicket defeat against Ross followed. Abergavenny 160 all out W.Williams (18) Bob Jennings (50) E.Tovey (14) B.Shackleton (20) J.Hill (23) Ross 161-8 Lew White 5-40.

Abergavenny defeat their old rivals

In early July, a low scoring match with local rivals Crickhowell resulted in victory. Abergavenny were bowled out for 74 with Mike Stock (13) L.White (16) W.Saunders (17) B.Shackleton (17) Crickhowell 59 all out. Williams Taking 6 wickets, Saunders (2) and White (1).Meanwhile Abergavenny 2nd X1 -148 all out H.Bowkett [32] W.Mayo [24]P.Poles [24] M.Reeves [10] W.MacPherson [13]Dai Matthews [25] Crickhowell 2nd X1 -54 all out with wickets for Bowkett [4]Price [3] Thomas and MacPherson one each.

Inswingers on top

This was followed by a defeat by Inswingers who scored 136 all out. Hodson 4-21, Williams 3-20. Abergavenny 108 all out G.Alderton (48) L.White (19) B.Shackleton (11)

Tourists came near to defeat

Abergavenny 127 all out W.Williams (19) L.White (16) B.Shackleton (38) Weaste (Lancashire) 113-9 W.Williams 4-25. Jennings White and Hodson one wicket each.

Meanwhile Abergavenny 2nd X1 were defeating Panteg 2nd X1 [12 a side] Panteg 142 Thomas 3 wkts, MacPherson [3] Jones [3] & Pritchard 1 wicket. Abergavenny 2nd X1-146-5 H.Bowkett [17]P.Bishop [43] Wyn Mayo [20]P.Poles [29*] N.Osmond [20*]

Abergavenny go down to Nylon Spinners

Abergavenny 125 all out. S.Workman (17) L.White (16) C.Berrington (14) Tovey (22) BNS 130-6 W.Williams 3-33, G.Alderton 2-27.

Mitchel and Butlers 194-8 W.Williams 3-58 Abergavenny 131-9 L.White (42) D.Jones (33*)

Workman lashes out against Brecon and scores a 'ton'

Abergavenny 188-3 S.Workman (100*) L. White (42) Retired Hurt, P.Bishop (25) Brecon 101-8 L.White 4-40, Hodson 2-31.

Abergavenny 160 all out. Lew White (70) R.Jennings (53) Neath 164-5 S.Workman 2-49. Neath Team: L.Jones, W.B'Ham, B.Richards, G.Davies, W.Thomas, J.Jones, R.Thomas.

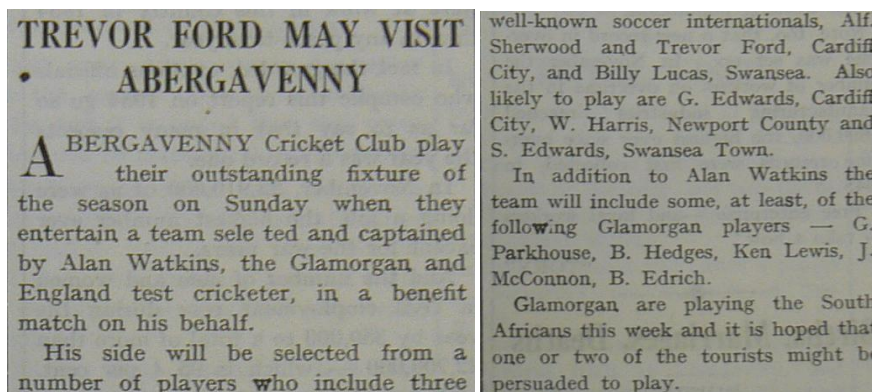
The semi finalists in the Knock Out Cup were Coopers, The Police, Hockey Club and LLanarth.

Benefit Match-Abergavenny's fine display against Glamorgan

Alan Watkins Benefit Game. Glamorgan X1 233-6 Abergavenny 171-3 G.Alderton(68) L.White (73*) Some of the players playing for Glamorgan: Harold Gimlett Ex England and Somerset, Alan Watkins, Jim Pressdee, Gilbert Parkhouse, Trevor Ford. The Abergavenny Team that day: S.Workman,

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G.Alderton, L.White, C.Berrington, R.Jennings, E.Tovey, D.Jones, B.Shackleton, M.Stock, R. Hodson, J.Hill



Alan Watkins Benefit Match 1955

Abergavenny 2nd X1 defeat BNS at Avenue Road= Pritchard [6], Hodson and McPherson with the wickets

Newport Fugitives 87-8, Lew White taking 6 wickets. Abergavenny 167 all out, the first 8 batsmen all reached double figures.

The 2nd X1 with runs for Nicholls, Reeves and Mayo and wickets for Thomas, Bowkett, McPherson & Pritchard ensured a win over Fugitives 2nd X1 Abergavenny 180-9 Fugitives 133 all out.

Abergavenny 120 all out G.Alderton (50) L.White (17*) Crickhowell 101-8 Bob Jennings 4-14, R.Hodson 3-31.

Abergavenny 205-4 G.Alderton 963) W.Williams (55) Hereford 185-8 Jennings 4-35, Williams 2-26.

The 2nd X1 did really well at Crickhowell with Mayo, Reeves and Nicholls again in the runs. Wickets for Abergavenny 2nd X1 were taken by Thomas, Bowkett, Jones, McPherson and Pritchard

A high scoring draw followed against Ross Abergavenny 206-7 G.Alderton (43) W.Mayo (73) Ross 208 Hodson 5-38.

Abergavenny 154 all out W.Binding (49) W.Williams (36) Builth Wells in reply were 24-1 when rain stopped play.

The 2nd X1 lost against Ross 2nd X1

Abergavenny go down at Lydney

Abergavenny 109 all out. W.Williams (20) C.Cox (32) Lydney 113-5 W.Williams 4-25.

Fugitives hit up big score

Newport Fugitives 154-7 R.Hodson 2-23, L.White 2-37, W.Williams 2-35. Abergavenny 11-8 E.Tovey (38) B.Shackleton (25)

2nd X1 almost defeat Cardiff Reserves but Not so Nice by the Sea

Sunday August 28th Barry beat Abergavenny next. Abergavenny all out 156. G.Alderton (31) L.White (23) Barry 157-4 Williams 2 wickets and White (1) Abergavenny 2nd X1 167 all out- Wyn Mayo [55] P.Poles [35] V.Jones [22] F.Nicholls and M.Reeves [16] each. Cardiff Reserves 134-9 MacPherson 4 wickets, Pritchard [3] Bowkett & Thomas one wicket each.

Blaina too good

Saturday August 27th Blaina inflicted another defeat on Abergavenny next. Abergavenny 124 all out. C.Berrington (37) J.Hill (20) W.Binding (18) Blaina 128-5, White 3 wickets and Hodson 2 wickets.

Abergavenny 2nd X1 -93 P.Poles [14] F.Nicholls [16] D.Matthews [23] P.Williams [14] Blaina 2nd X1 -64 all out. MacPherson 5-22, Mel Pritchard 4-30 & Thomas with one wicket.

2nd X1 fail at Usk

The 2nd X1 [52] fail at Usk [100] Bowkett 4 wickets Nicholls [3] MacPherson [2] Price [1]

Newport just make it

Abergavenny 91 all out W.Williams (26) E.Tovey (17) Binding [10] Newport 104. L.White 5-38, Williams 3-38. Hodson one wicket.

September 10th Abergavenny end season with a victory

A welcome victory came next against Cardiff HSOB. Abergavenny 151 all out G.Alderton (19) L.White (47). Cardiff HSOB 75 all out W.Williams 3-11, Bria Shackleton 2-14. And 4 wickets for Hodson.

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