

Abergavenny Cricket Club History

1960 Season

President- J.K.Ruther
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Hon Sec- M.Reeves
Treasurer- D.R.M.Jenkins
1st X1 Capt- Lew White 2nd X1 Capt-Michael Stock

FIRST XI - SATURDAY		
May 14	—	Pontymister
28	—	British Nylon Spinners
June 4	—	Cardiff
6	—	Lydney
11	—	Chepstow
18	—	Cardiff H.S.O.B.
July 2	—	Crickhowell
16	—	Brecon
26	—	Formby
30	—	Abercarn
Aug 4	—	Mayflies
27	—	Fugitives
Sept. 10	—	Newport

SUNDAY		
May 22	—	Dowlais
June 12	—	Hereford
19	—	Innswingers
26	—	Rhondda C.C.'s Ass'n
July 3	—	Bill Edwards' XI
10	—	Monmouth
17	—	Mitchell and Butlers
24	—	Penarth
Aug 7	—	Bridgend
14	—	Whitchurch Heath
28	—	Neath Ad. Libs.
Sept. 4	—	Ross
11	—	Usk

Comprehensive Fixture List for 1960

SECOND XI - SATURDAY		
May 21	—	Cardiff Res.
June 25	—	Newport Fugitives
July 9	—	Cambrian Welfare
23	—	Chepstow
Aug. 1	—	Lydney
6	—	Crickhowell
13	—	Pontnewydd
20	—	Cardiff H.S.O.B.

SUNDAY		
May 15	—	Ross
June 5	—	Monmouth
July 31	—	Hereford
Aug. 21	—	Usk

Abergavenny made a poor start to the 1960 season with a dismal defeat at Avenue Road against **Whitchurch Heath** who made 149. Ossie Griffiths the lanky fast-medium left arm took 4-35. Abergavenny were 84 all out. Opener C.Nash (25) and tailender Owen Saunders (26) were the only batsmen to make decent scores.

They also lost the match with **Cardiff Choristers** who reached Abergavenny's total of 169-8 declared for the loss of only 3 wickets. M.Cox (38) G.Richardson (54) O.Saunders (39*) Brian Shackleton and Colin Nash (10) each. W.McPherson took two of the three wickets to fall.

Another weekend of misery away at **Brecon**. Brecon 105 - 7 Bill McPherson and Colin Nash took three wickets apiece. Abergavenny holding on for grim life at 99- 8 with C.Nash, C.Berrington, W.McPherson and P.Davies reaching double figures.

May 6th Further punishment came against **Newport Fugitives** who were bowled out for 108. Bob Jennings taking 5 for 20 with his left arm spin. Abergavenny however collapsed to 88 all out. With runs from Brian Shackleton (23) C.Nash (13) L.White (11)

Well bowled Wyn -4 wickets with consecutive balls

Meanwhile the 2nd X1 bowled out Brecon 2nd X1 for 44 runs, with six wickets for Wyn Williams,two for Harold Bowkett and one each for Evans and Holder. Abergavenny 45 for 3. E.Sandford [14*] Cliff Cox [16*]

Abercarn 109. 2 wickets for Griffiths, 2 for Colin Nash, 3 apiece for Jennings and Saunders. In reply Abergavenny 93 all out. Brian Shackleton (24) Colin Nash (35) W.McPherson (14*). A fine opening stand of 51 by Shackleton and Nash, gave the team a good start.

In the return match on the Sunday Abergavenny produced better batting form but, could still not bring off victory. Abergavenny 133-9 declared B.Shackleton (13) M.Cox (13) W.Williams(14) R.Jennings (24) E.Hughes (39*) drew with **Abercarn** 123-7 4 wickets for Ossie Griffiths and 3 for Colin Nash.

Spirited knocks from Ron Collett (27), Cliff Cox, Laurence Holder and Peter Joignant spurred Abergavenny 2nds to 156-9 their highest score of the season so far. **Abercarn 2nd X1** 133-7. Drawn Game, thanks to steady bowling from John Evans and Holder

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COLTS — THURSDAY		
May 19	—	R.T.B.
June 2	—	Blackfriars
9	—	St. John's
16	—	Ty-Mawr
23	—	St. John's
July 7	—	Crickhowell
28	—	Newport

May 14th Abergavenny 110 all out, B.Shackleton (14) G.Richardson (28) Lew White (25) C.Berrington (23) narrowly lost to **Pontymister** 111-8 with four wickets for W.Williams, two for Griffiths and one for MacPherson..

May 14th Abergavenny 2nd's knocked up 100 against **Pontymister 2nd's** with contributions from Tony Paton [25], H.Davies [20], Mike Stock [14] and Peter Davies[12]L.Holder [10] R.Collett [10]. Pontymister 2nd's winning by 5 wickets.

Colin Nash finds form in draw with Ross

On May 15th Abergavenny 138-5 declared Colin Nash (71) L.White (17) R.Jennings (18) M.Cox [11] **Ross** held on for a draw at 123-7. Griffiths with 3 wickets and C.Nash 2 wickets, W.Williams and Bill MacPherson one each.

May 15th Abergavenny 2nd's 147 all out P.Joignant (43) Owen Saunders (25), Ron Collett (18) **Ross 2nd's** winning by 1 wicket. Four wickets for G.Jones, two for Holder and three for O.Saunders.

May 21st Abergavenny 2nd's v Cardiff 'A' Abergavenny pulled off their second win of the season in this game winning by 4 wickets chasing 95.

First win after eight games

Sunday May 22nd After going eight matches without a single victory so far this season, Abergavenny broke the unhappy sequence with victory over Dowlais. Abergavenny 114. Colin Nash (36) M.Paton (17) E.Hughes (19) Dowlais 97 all out thanks to the bowling of C.Nash, O.Griffiths and W.Williams.

May 28th Abergavenny 2nd's 125 David Matthews (42) J.Evans (31) **BNS 2nd X1** all out for 40. H.Bowkett 4-8 and Evans 3-5.

Abergavenny thrash BNS

One victory and one defeat followed for the senior side. Thrashing **BNS** with Colin Nash (45) Geoffrey Richardson (45) Cecil Berrington (29*) and losing to Barry after only scoring 64, Eric Hughes scoring (37). Barry getting the runs for the loss of only 2 wickets. The next day they lost to Barry away being bundled out for just 64 runs.

June 4th Cardiff 109 W.Williams 3-10. Abergavenny 79 all out. Brian Shackleton (19)
June 5th Abergavenny 119-7 declared. Bob Jennings (29) M.Nash (17) **Monmouth** winning by 9 wickets. **Monmouth 2nd X1** easily beat Abergavenny 2nd's also. Despite the efforts of Mike Stock (31) with the bat and Bill McPherson and Holder with the ball.

Whites knock should inspire confidence

The Whit Monday **June 6th Lydney** 190-9 Colin Nash with 7 wickets and Bob Jennings with 2 wickets. Abergavenny 146-6 battling out a draw. Lew White (82)

At Avenue Road wickets fell like autumn leaves but despite the low score by Abergavenny 2nd X1 of 63, they still won by three runs. Harold Bowkett and Mel Pritchard the only batsmen to reach double figures. Owen Saunders with 6 wickets and Bill MacPherson with 3 wickets did the damage for Abergavenny.

Abergavenny CC eight a side knock out competition due to start on Whit Tuesday. Over 40 clubs are taking part including Semtex for the first time.

June 11th Abergavenny 146 all out. Lew White (48) C.Nash (48) **Chepstow** held out for a draw despite good bowling from O.Griffiths 1-14, C.Nash 4-15, Bob Jennings 3-24.

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The seconds secured a fine victory over **Chepstow 2nd's** at the Bulwark Ground. Owen Saunders (49) Stan Hall (31) were the main contributors to 149 for 7 and Harold Bowkett quickly got among the wickets and finished with 5-14.

June 12th Hereford 172 -8. O.Griffiths 3-41 and Wyn Williams 3-40. Abergavenny 120-6 forcing a draw. Colin Nash (28), M.Stock (16) G.Richardson (39*)

Abergavenny 2nd's 193-9 **Hereford 2nd X1** 69-9, desperately holding on for a draw. O.Saunders (66) G.Jones (56) Mel Pritchard 5-24 and Owen Saunders 3-29. All three weekend fixtures were lost to the rain against Mosquitos and Panteg 1sts and 2nds

June 18th Abergavenny 158-7 Colin Nash (28) Brian Shackleton (41) G.Richardson (34) Lew White [12] Bob Jennings [11] **Cardiff HSOB** 141 all out. Richardson 5 wickets and White 4 wickets with a run out.

June 19th Abergavenny 166. Brian Shackleton batting serenely (28) G.Richardson (31) M.Cox (21) R.Jennings (19) A.Paton (21) **Innswingers** ensuring a draw at 115-9. W.Williams 4-32, Griffiths and Jennings took a couple each.

Hot Cricket

Cricketers scampered from the pitch at Avenue Road ground on a Friday evening to assist in putting out a blaze which had started at the rear of the newly decorated pavilion. The fire was put out in a matter of minutes with little or no damage. Abergavenny Amateurs were playing Glanusk Park in the early rounds of the 8 a side mid week league.

Bob Jennings then hit a hurricane (56) and took 4-18 against **Newport Fugitives** in a good win. W.Williams 2-6 and White 3-43 backing him up.

The 2nd X1 also defeated Newport Fugitives on **June 25th**. Newport 2nd X1 89 all out. Abergavenny 94-6 with 4 wickets for Pritchard, 3 for Bowkett, and 3 for Evans.

July 3rd Bill Edwards X1 196-7 declared. Price with 3 wickets. Abergavenny 124-6 achieving a draw. M.Cox (27) J.Price (35) W.Williams (27)

A run glut ensued in the match with Crickhowell on July 2nd who many feel posted a record score at Abergavenny of 256-7. Trevor Rodwell and Malcolm Gwynne putting on an opening stand of 113. In reply Abergavenny made a very respectable 183-4. Brian Shackleton (36) L.White (57) and Bob Jennings (47)

Another draw followed with Monmouth on **July 10th** who scored 183-7 declared with 5 wickets for O.Griffiths. Abergavenny 109-4. Brian Shackleton (30) Lew White (48*)

A really close game was enjoyed with Penarth who were bowled out for 115 with 5 wickets for White and 3 for Price. Abergavenny failing by 2 runs to win at 114-7 at the close. Tony Paton (43) Lew White (43)

July 16th Abergavenny 175, G.Richardson (61) E.Hughes (45*) Brecon 134 all out. J.Price taking 5 wickets.

Next **July 21st** it was Hereford who scored 148-7 Colin Nash 3-48, Jennings 2-28. Abergavenny 123-7 gaining a draw. J.Price (38)

July 24th Abergavenny 155-8 declared. C.Nash (22) J.Price (55) R.Jennings (20) Penarth winning with 158-8 Richardson with 4 wickets and Jennings with 3 wickets.

July 30th One of the wettest Bank Holidays for many years with thunder and lightning, hail stones and cloud bursts, did not stop play starting late at 3 pm. The Seconds chalked up an

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impressive 2 wicket win over Abercarn who scored 81. W. McPherson with 5-21 and James 3-35.

On **July 31st** and August 1st Meanwhile, the 2nd's were losing to both Hereford and Lydney 2nd's.

At one point the Chronicle reported that the Club should feel proud. Proud that since June they have only lost 2 matches. Proud that their batsmen are starting to score some runs, proud that their bowlers Ossie Griffiths, Bob Jennings, Colin Nash and Jeremy Price are raking in the wickets. But more importantly they should feel proud of their opening pair Colin Nash and Brian Shackleton.

Colin Nash foiled in his bid for a century.

August 4th Abergavenny 185-4 declared, C.Nash (92) B.Shackleton (48) J.Price (32) Mayflies 112 all out, White 4-21, Price 3-31.

Peter Jones scored (98) and Owen Saunders (49) as the 2nd's made 178-3 against Crickhowell 2nd's who were 24-2 when it rained.

August 7th Bridgend 152-9 declared. C.Nash two wickets, Bob Jennings two wickets, J.Price three wickets, G.Richardson two wickets. Abergavenny 87 all out. R.Jennings (45) W.Williams [10]

Fixtures on **August 13th/14th** were washed out by rain the following weekend as the matches against Pontnewynydd and Whitchurch Heath were lost.

On the weekend of **August 20th/21st** The Seconds recorded wins over Cardiff HSOB and Usk. They however lost to Ross 2nd's having only scored 82. The first X1 game with Crickhowell was also abandoned for rain.

Sunday August 28th Neath Ad Libs 113 for 11 (12 a side game). Abergavenny 45 all out. L.White (28)

September 1st The First X1 also lost to Ross by 4 wickets. Abergavenny 130-8 C.Nash (37) L.White (38) W.Williams took 3 of the 6 Ross wickets to fall.

Abergavenny ended the Season on a gloomy note with heavy defeats to Usk on **September 11th** and Newport the day before **September 10th**. Abergavenny only made 65 against Newport with only Colin Nash and Wyn Williams batting well. Graham Reynolds and W.Tompkins knocked off the runs. Usk made 156-9 declared, W.Williams 6-57. Abergavenny all out for 67. Lew White (17)

The return game against **Lydney** was also drawn although Abergavenny were in a strong position to have won. Abergavenny 128-9 L.White (32) Lydney hanging on at 72-7. WynWilliams taking three wickets.

1960 AVERAGES

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	In.	Rs.	N.o	H.S	Av
Nash	31	730	0	92	23.54
White	34	622	3	82*	20.06
Price	17	284	2	58*	18.93
Richardson ..	25	408	1	61	17.00
Shackleton ..	28	444	0	51	15.85
Cox	10	155	0	38	15.50

BOWLING					
	O	M	Rs.	W	Av
Price ..	175.6	30	456	33	13.81
Griffiths ..	236	37	664	45	14.75
Jennings ..	186.4	33	563	37	15.21
Nash	233	56	594	36	16.50

Abergavenny Colts

D.Osmond, W.Powell,P.Sharpe,B.Hopper,M.Powell,D.Ray,A.Saunders,R.Phillips,J.Powell,
A.Summers, P.Jordon, M.Bruton, M.Morris, B.Cootes,M.Joingant,M.Bromage, S.Watkins,
C.Thomas R.Brown