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SCHOOLS CRICKET IN 1994

Schools cricket in the British Isles, especially in the south of England, suffered from a series of wet Saturdays in April and May, with match after match abandoned, and exams in June made their usual demands on players. The long, dry spell which will be entrenched in the memory of cricket-lovers began as the summer term was ending, so that the festivals, at least, enjoyed the panorama of blue skies and white marquees. It follows that school sides found it difficult to become established in the few weeks available to them. Because of examinations and the early departure of school-leavers, younger players, often only 14, who came into the first eleven in mid-term, made more appearances than their seniors had done. So many schools now report having a young eleven that it has ceased to be a novelty. These young cricketers do not lack enthusiasm, but while their obvious enjoyment is pervasive and infectious, standards are inevitably lowered.

To a varying degree, the schools whose records appear in the following pages all offer sound coaching to their players. There are staff with NCA coaching qualifications and experience in playing at county, university or club level, and in many cases the services of a professional gilds the lily. Their teams play on favourable wickets on which 450 runs in a match are not uncommon, half-centuries abound, and the top three or four batsmen will win plaudits for their technique. Bowlers, however, can find difficulty in dismissing sides. Those of genuine pace are rare, though there are plenty of medium-paced seamers displaying the virtues of line and length. There is a high proportion of spinners, often drawn from younger players not afraid to attack and give the ball a high trajectory. They are the beneficiaries of conventional cricket, rather than the scapegoats of the limited-overs game. As long as schools are ready to make equitable declarations, the conventional game must be the flagship of first eleven cricket at school level, and the experience of the 1994 season suggests most schools interpret their role sensibly. There remain a few who retain a negative attitude, determined not to lose whatever the price: names are known on the circuit.

Boys who wish to play in July and August can find a great deal of cricket is available through clubs and the county associations. Most prestigious in the Schools' seasonal calendar is the annual MCC Oxford and Lord's Festival, where among those watching in 1994 were Micky Stewart, the NCA Director of Coaching and Excellence, and Graham Saville, the England Under-19 manager. The Festival, unlike its three immediate predecessors, was played in mostly glorious weather and in a heat wave, although the first day was interrupted by rain. At the end of seven days' cricket, those who had survived to the end, and passed through the various stages of selection, had endured – and, one hopes, enjoyed – a marathon exercise.

Of the boys chosen by the Headmasters' Conference (HMC) and English Schools Cricket Association (ESCA) selectors, there was a large number of able batsmen. Among those who got no further than the Oxford "prelims" were David Lawrence (Cheltenham), Christopher Walsh (Tonbridge) and Michael Sutliff (Wyggeston & Queen Elizabeth I SFC). Spinners included Gareth Batty (Bingley GS), while Christopher McDonald (De La Salle,

Lancashire) kept wicket well. The three bowlers of any pace at Oxford all appeared at Lord's.

After a particularly entertaining final trial at Christ Church ground, Oxford, the HMC and ESCA selectors invited a squad to play in at least one match at Lord's. To their ranks were added three others from the Oxford Festival, selected independently by the National Association of Young Cricketers (NAYC) for their match against the MCC Schools. The possible overlap in selection can be a source of confusion, not to say occasional irritation to the organisers. What is more important is that the following 16 boys from those at Oxford played cricket at the game's headquarters: Richard Baggs, Andrew Bairstow, Dean Cosker, Michael Davies, Orlando Le Fleming, Ian Gompertz, Barry Hyam, Neil Killeen, Patrick McKeown, Lee Marland, Robin Martin-Jenkins, Paul Mitchell, Wayne Ritzema, Anurag Singh, Alec Swann and James Taylor. Their schools may be found in the scorecards that follow. – Gerald Howat.

HMC SOUTHERN SCHOOLS v HMC NORTHERN SCHOOLS

At Wadham College, Oxford, July 8, 9. HMC Southern Schools won by one wicket.

Southern Schools snatched an unlikely victory with one ball to spare after Northern Schools had mostly dominated. The shortened first day featured vigorous innings from Bairstow and McKeown, followed by a sound knock from Lawrence, and on the second day, Ritzema's neatly made century enabled Marland to set a target of 241. Southern Schools were 129 for six when the last 20 overs began and 161 for six ten overs later, but then Ford launched an assault on the bowling, going swiftly from 50 to 93 before being well caught by Bairstow, and Goodwin settled matters by hitting Le Fleming for 12 off the first five balls of the final over. Southern Schools bowled steadily but without much penetration, while the pick of Northern Schools' bowlers were Martin-Jenkins and Davies. The fielding was excellent throughout.

HMC Northern Schools

*L. J. Marland (<i>Manchester GS</i>) c Durant					
	b Diment . 11 – (3) c Walsh b Bates	10			
A. D. Bairstow (<i>Woodhouse Grove</i>) c Bates					
	b Goodwin . 66				
C. Clark (<i>Durham</i>) c and b Goodwin	33 – (6) not out	4			
P. C. McKeown (<i>Rossall</i>) not out	78				
J. M. Edington (<i>Sedburgh</i>) c Ford b Diment	14 – c Ford b Diment	9			
R. S. C. Martin-Jenkins (<i>Radley</i>) not out	16 – (4) c Gompertz b Bates	10			
†W. Ritzema (<i>Durham</i>) (did not bat)	– (1) run out	103			
J. R. Carpenter (<i>Birkenhead</i>) (did not bat)	– (2) c Singh b Gompertz	33			
A. O. F. Le Fleming (<i>Exeter</i>) (did not bat)	– (7) c and b Bates	6			
Extras	4	12			
1/16 2/89 3/140 4/175	(4 wks dec.) 222	1/71 2/86 3/110	(6 wks dec.) 187		
		4/176 5/177 6/187			

M. K. Davies (*Loughborough GS*) and A. B. Birley (*Birkenhead*) did not bat.

Bowling: *First Innings*—Diment 16–3–56–2; Gompertz 14–1–68–0; Goodwin 12–3–52–2; Bates 8–0–44–0. *Second Innings*—Diment 12–2–25–1; Gompertz 11–2–46–1; Dyer 5–1–18–0; Bates 22–10–55–3; Goodwin 11–4–32–0.

HMC Southern Schools

C. D. Walsh (<i>Tonbridge</i>) c Clark b Birley	9 – c Martin-Jenkins b Le Fleming	0			
D. E. A. Lawrence (<i>Cheltenham</i>) run out	77 – (8) c and b Davies	16			
*P. M. Mitchell (<i>Millfield</i>) run out	16 – (2) b Birley	0			
A. Singh (<i>King Edward's, Birmingham</i>)					
	c Ritzema b Davies . 21 – b Davies	63			
J. A. Ford (<i>Tonbridge</i>) c Ritzema b Davies	12 – c Bairstow b Martin-Jenkins	93			
I. Gompertz (<i>Blundell's</i>) b Davies	14 – c Edington b Carpenter	7			
J. J. Bates (<i>Hurstpierpoint</i>) c Marland					
	b Martin-Jenkins . 8 – c Bairstow b Le Fleming	8			
D. O. Dyer (<i>Trinity</i>) run out	1 – (3) c Clark b Davies	21			
†C. D. Durant (<i>Oakham</i>) st Ritzema b Birley	3 – (10) not out	0			
S. H. Diment (<i>King's, Taunton</i>) not out	0 – (9) run out	16			
G. Goodwin (<i>Felsted</i>) b Martin-Jenkins	0 – not out	12			
Extras	8	9			
1/9 2/37 3/72 4/94 5/114	169	1/0 2/0 3/52	(9 wks) 245		
6/146 7/149 8/165 9/166		4/101 5/108 6/118			
		7/164 8/233 9/233			

Bowling: *First Innings*—Le Fleming 12–2–40–0; Birley 9–3–28–2; Carpenter 9–0–37–0; Martin-Jenkins 9–0–41–2; Davies 10–2–19–3. *Second Innings*—Le Fleming 12.5–2–83–2; Birley 8–1–26–1; Davies 24–7–76–3; Martin-Jenkins 11–2–32–1; Carpenter 8–3–22–1.

ESCA NORTH v ESCA SOUTH

At St Edward's School, Oxford, July 8, 9. Drawn.

Their superior bowling gave the North the upper hand for most of the match. Their first three batsmen, Trainor, Sutliff and Swann, performed well in both innings, with only Cosker bowling accurately enough to keep them in check. However, when the South batted, Killeen twice caused early damage and his pace was a constant threat. Taylor and Hyam batted sensibly in the first innings and Baggs was commanding in the second to give the South a hint of victory, but there was not enough support. Both sides were sharp in the field, with the wicket-keeping of Hyam particularly good.

ESCA North

*N. J. Trainor (<i>St Edward's, Durham</i>)					
	c Hudson b Cosker . 43 – (7) c Dickinson b Cosker	35			
M. D. R. Sutliff (<i>Wyggaston & QE I SFC; Leics.</i>)					
	retired . 57 – (6) retired	59			
A. J. Swann (<i>Sponne; Northants</i>) st Taylor					
	b Byrne . 26 – (1) retired	61			
M. Roberts (<i>Hymers; Humberside</i>) c Taylor					
	b Byrne . 2 – c Baggs b Pattison	2			
T. W. Roberts (<i>Bishop Stopford; Northants</i>)					
	not out . 10 – (3) c Taylor b Pattison	14			
B. Leigh (<i>Thomas Rotherham; Yorks.</i>) not out	6 – (2) c Cosker b Whalley	19			
G. Thorpe (<i>N. Warwicks. CAT; Warwicks.</i>)					
	(did not bat) . – (5) c Dickinson b Cosker	21			
†C. J. McDonald (<i>De La Salle; Lancs.</i>)					
	(did not bat) . – c and b Cosker	1			
I. A. Radford (<i>Dartford HS; Warwicks.</i>)					
	(did not bat) . – c Hyam b Pattison	10			
G. J. Batty (<i>Bingley GS; Yorks.</i>) (did not bat)	– not out	3			
N. Killeen (<i>Derwentside; Durham</i>) (did not bat)	– b Cosker	3			
Extras	17	12			
1/83 2/135 3/144 4/147	(4 wks dec.) 161	1/54 2/94 3/99	(8 wks dec.) 240		
		4/104 5/144 6/200			
		7/227 8/240			

Bowling: *First Innings*—Dickinson 7-0-32-0; Whalley 6-2-14-0; Pattison 12-4-42-0; Hudson 4-1-17-0; Cosker 14-9-27-1; Byrne 7-0-16-2. *Second Innings*—Dickinson 5-0-30-0; List 6-1-12-0; Whalley 8-1-20-1; Cosker 25-10-61-4; Bainbridge 5-2-27-0; Pattison 11-3-39-3; Byrne 7-2-25-0; Hudson 5-0-16-0.

ESCA South

P. C. Bainbridge (*Richmond; Surrey*) b Killeen . . . 0 - b Killeen . . . 4
 †J. L. Taylor (*Itchen; Hants*) run out . . . 45 - (6) st McDonald b Thorpe . . . 18
 L. R. J. List (*Abingdon; Oxon.*) c Trainor

b Killeen . . . 4 - c and b Batty . . . 23
 *R. J. Baggs (*Clyst Vale; Devon*) c McDonald
 b Killeen . . . 19 - c Sutcliffe b Trainor . . . 93

S. P. Byrne (*London Oratory; London*)
 c M. Roberts b Radford . . . 13 - c Swann b Trainor . . . 13

†B. J. Hyam (*Havering SFC; Essex*) b Batty . . . 37 - (8) not out . . . 7
 P. G. Hudson (*Collyers; Sussex*) st McDonald

b Trainor . . . 22 - (2) lbw b Radford . . . 6
 L. J. Pattison (*Salesian C.; Hants*) not out . . . 22 - (9) b Radford . . . 1
 D. A. Cosker (*Millfield; Somerset*)

lbw b T. W. Roberts . . . 0 - (10) not out . . . 2
 G. Whalley (*Pate's GS; Glos.*) c Swann

b T. W. Roberts . . . 0
 P. M. Dickinson (*Farnham; Surrey*) not out . . . 1 - (7) c Killeen b Trainor . . . 7
 Extras . . . 19 Extras . . . 12

1/0 2/4 3/33 4/53 5/121 (9 wks dec.) 182 1/10 2/11 3/62 4/94 (8 wks) 186
 6/138 7/175 8/176 9/176 5/137 6/170 7/176 8/178

Bowling: *First Innings*—Killeen 7-1-25-3; Radford 8-2-26-1; Thorpe 8-2-24-0; Batty 9-1-36-1; M. Roberts 6-0-28-0; Trainor 7-2-20-1; T. W. Roberts 4-0-10-2. *Second Innings*—Killeen 12-4-23-1; Radford 7-3-13-2; Thorpe 18-2-74-1; Batty 10-1-36-1; Trainor 12-2-32-3.

At St Edward's School, Oxford, July 10. L. J. Marland's XI won by 111 runs. L. J. Marland's XI 276 for four dec. (L. J. Marland 67 retired, P. C. Bainbridge 59 retired, P. C. McKeown 54 retired); N. J. Trainor's XI 165 (J. M. Edington 72; N. Killeen five for 27, G. Goodwin three for 41).

At St John's College, Oxford, July 10. Drawn. A. D. Bairstow's XI 234 for four dec. (C. D. Walsh 58 retired, R. J. Baggs 58 retired); P. M. Mitchell's XI 205 for seven (P. M. Mitchell 56 retired, J. L. Taylor 46, A. Singh 43).

At Christ Church, Oxford, July 11. MCC Schools West won by seven wickets in a 12-a-side match. MCC Schools East 219 for nine dec. (M. D. R. Sutcliffe 48, P. M. Mitchell 73, Extras 40; D. A. Cosker five for 52); MCC Schools West 223 for four (A. J. Swann 47, R. J. Baggs 75 not out, J. L. Taylor 52 not out).

MCC v MCC SCHOOLS

At Lord's, July 12. Drawn. Toss: MCC Schools.

MCC, led by the former Lancashire spinner, Jack Simmons, put on 123 for the first wicket, with Stewart, an Eastbourne College housemaster, making a half-century on his debut at Lord's. Lynch, a New Zealand Under-19 player, tested the covers with some powerful driving and, once past his century, took 20 off an over. In very hot conditions, the Schools' bowlers stuck manfully to their task, until a declaration after 54 overs set an

interesting challenge. The Schools made a sound start through a second-wicket partnership of 112 between Mitchell and Swann, with Singh sustaining the momentum. However, with 125 needed in the last hour, the experienced spinners, Simmons and Potter, took control. Despite an effective 43 by Martin-Jenkins and a final flurry by Le Fleming, the Schools ended five runs short with the last pair together.

MCC

S. M. Lynch st Hyam b Cosker . . . 128 | S. M. Clements not out . . . 11
 D. A. Stewart c sub b Cosker . . . 59 | B 4, l-b 11, w 3 . . . 18
 L. Potter c Hyam b Swann . . . 27
 P. J. Mir not out . . . 39 | 1/123 2/186 3/266 (3 wks dec.) 282

†S. J. Young, P. A. Veness, S. P. Hughes, *J. Simmons, K. Staple and M. G. Boocock did not bat.

Bowling: Killeen 8-1-21-0; Le Fleming 9-1-38-0; Martin-Jenkins 10-1-36-0; Cosker 22-0-122-2; Swann 5-1-50-1.

MCC Schools

*A. D. Bairstow c Potter b Staple . . . 6 | M. K. Davies b Simmons . . . 0
 A. J. Swann c sub b Potter . . . 70 | N. Killeen st Young b Simmons . . . 0
 P. M. Mitchell run out . . . 61 | D. A. Cosker not out . . . 3
 A. Singh st Young b Potter . . . 26 | B 6, l-b 14 . . . 20
 R. J. Baggs lbw b Potter . . . 5
 R. S. C. Martin-Jenkins lbw b Simmons 43 | 1/10 2/122 3/157 (9 wks) 278
 †B. J. Hyam c Veness b Simmons . . . 21 | 4/163 5/194 6/234
 A. O. F. Le Fleming not out . . . 23 | 7/249 8/249 9/271

Bowling: Staple 6-0-16-1; Hughes 7-0-26-0; Boocock 12-2-55-0; Simmons 8-0-38-4; Veness 8-0-32-0; Mir 7-1-17-0; Potter 13-2-74-3.

Umpires: K. Bray and G. A. Plow.

MCC SCHOOLS v NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF YOUNG CRICKETERS

At Lord's, July 13. NAYC won by four wickets. Toss: MCC Schools.

Heavy thunderstorms, following a long spell of sultry heat which had hardened the ground, delayed the start until the afternoon, when a 35-overs match was played. On a lively wicket the NAYC opening bowlers, Harvey and Burroughs, were too sharp for MCC Schools, who were in some trouble at 26 for three. However, the 1994 MCC Oxford Festival was noticeable for its array of batsmen, and the left-handed Baggs played attackingly while Singh confirmed that he is one of the most promising schoolboys in the country, leaning into the ball with a textbook cover drive. His running between the wickets with McKeown was an education. When NAYC replied, James Taylor of Hampshire batted with vigour and, for the second evening running, Le Fleming, who has won selection for Devon as a medium-fast bowler, featured in a late chase, spoiling Swann's analysis as his 38 took NAYC to victory with three balls to spare.

MCC Schools

A. J. Swann c Treagus b Burroughs . . . 9 | R. S. C. Martin-Jenkins not out . . . 16
 *A. D. Bairstow c Gompertz b Harvey . . . 0 | †W. Ritzema not out . . . 2
 P. M. Mitchell c Le Fleming b Harvey . . . 2 | L-b 3, w 4 . . . 7
 A. Singh c Le Fleming b Harvey . . . 82
 R. J. Baggs run out . . . 21 | 1/0 2/13 3/26 (6 wks, 35 overs) 175
 P. C. McKeown c Gompertz b Harvey . . . 36 | 4/76 5/153 6/164

M. K. Davies, D. A. Cosker and N. Killeen did not bat.

Bowling: Harvey 8-0-42-4; Burroughs 8-1-34-1; Gompertz 7-0-46-0; Le Fleming 5-1-18-0; Lacey 7-0-32-0.

National Association of Young Cricketers

P. G. Hudson b Swann	28	*S. J. Lacey not out	19
G. R. Treagus c Ritzema b Swann	19	I. Gompertz not out	8
L. J. Marland run out	6	B 4, l-b 9, w 1	14
D. Taylor lbw b Swann	21		
J. L. Taylor b Swann	23	1/45 2/56 3/72	(6 wks, 34.3 overs) 176
A. O. F. Le Fleming c Swann b Davies	38	4/98 5/112 6/154	

I. Harvey, R. Burroughs and †B. J. Hyam did not bat.

Bowling: Killeen 7.3-0-41-0; Martin-Jenkins 6-1-12-0; Cosker 1-0-6-0; Swann 9-0-61-4; Davies 11-0-43-1.

Umpires: T. H. Duckett and R. Johnson.

The National Cricket Association selected the following to play for NCA Young Cricketers against Combined Services: *A. D. Bairstow (Yorks.), G. R. Treagus (Hants), A. J. Swann (Northants), A. Singh (Warwickshire), R. J. Baggs (Devon), I. Gompertz (Devon), †B. J. Hyam (Essex), R. S. C. Martin-Jenkins (Sussex), R. Dibden (Hants), A. O. F. Le Fleming (Devon) and I. Harvey (Essex).

At Lord's, July 14. Drawn. Toss: Combined Services. NCA Young Cricketers 263 for two dec. (G. R. Treagus 70, A. J. Swann 80 not out, A. Singh 46 not out); Combined Services 204 for six (Lt C. St George 66 not out, Flt Lt A. W. J. Spiller 40; I. Gompertz three for 49).

At Pontarddulais, July 18, 19, 20. Drawn. Irish Schools 302 for three dec. (M. Jones 55, P. Arnold 81, K. McCallan 81 not out, A. Patterson 34, R. O'Reilly 30 not out) and 174 for eight dec. (G. Molins 48); Welsh Schools 207 (P. A. J. Richards 44, Adrian J. Harries 50, B. Worrad 53; D. McCann three for 34) and 114 for four (A. Evans 65 not out).

At Wolverhampton CC, July 21, 22. Drawn. Irish Schools 176 for seven dec. (P. Arnold 51; D. A. Cosker three for 58) and 240 for seven dec. (K. McCallan 62, R. O'Reilly 70; R. S. C. Martin-Jenkins three for 47); English Schools 219 for five dec. (A. J. Swann 49) and 110 for five (A. Singh 58; Butler three for 55).

At Broughty Ferry, July 26, 27. Welsh Schools won by 53 runs. Welsh Schools 349 for three dec. (D. Teague 33, A. Evans 130, Andrew Harries 109 not out, P. A. J. Richards 39 not out) and 223 for eight dec. (D. Teague 53, A. Evans 68; K. Stott three for 61); Scotland Young Cricketers 204 (D. Lockhart 58, A. Burgess 34, J. Kerr 38; A. P. Davies six for 70, Andrew Harries three for 52) and 315 (D. Lockhart 106, D. Parsons 56, A. Burgess 77; A. P. Davies three for 85, Andrew Harries six for 100).

At Neath, August 1, 2. Drawn. English Schools 222 (A. D. Bairstow 53, B. J. Hyam 54; A. P. Davies four for 63) and 39 for no wkt; Welsh Schools 148 for seven dec.

At Moseley CC, August 4, 5. English Schools won by nine wickets. Scotland Young Cricketers 99 (A. O. F. Le Fleming five for 49, R. S. C. Martin-Jenkins four for 39) and 181 (D. Parsons 58; A. O. F. Le Fleming three for 27, G. Thorpe three for 62); English Schools 146 for seven dec. (P. C. McKeown 67) and 137 for one (A. J. Swann 55 not out).

ETON v HARROW

At Lord's, June 28. Drawn. Toss: Eton.

An uninspiring game suddenly came alive in the closing stages. Chasing 236 in what became 46 overs, Eton had lost the previous year's centurion, Machin, for nought and reached only 51 by the 23rd. Then Fulton and Hardy let rip and the next 23 overs yielded 179. With eight left they needed 60 and had nine wickets in hand. But Rayner bowled Hardy and Duberly with consecutive deliveries and, after Roundell had removed Lightfoot, finally dismissed Fulton for 112. He had hit three sixes and 11 fours from 138 balls. Nine runs were required from Roundell's last over; for a wild moment, when two wickets fell off the first two deliveries, any result seemed possible. But both sides had shot their bolt

and the game was drawn. Despite asking Harrow to bat, Lightfoot and his spin attack never quite exerted their control of the previous year, though they conceded under two an over before lunch. Growing more aggressive, the left-handed Chittenden brought up the 100 with a six; first he, then Roundell, looked likely to score the third successive century in this fixture. But with both falling short, the honours went to the 16-year-old Fulton.

Harrow

J. P. Litherland run out	11	†R. M. W. Norris not out	7
S. D. G. Engelen c Hardy b Lightfoot	14	W. A. T. Gillions not out	0
M. C. R. Crawford c Jafri b Duberly	1	L-b 3, w 3, n-b 5	11
O. H. Chittenden c Duberly b Steel	96		
S. F. Roundell b Steel	89	1/26 2/30 3/41	(6 wks dec.) 235
M. S. Rayner run out	6	4/201 5/226 6/228	

*P. A. J. Montgomery, M. G. Hatcher and R. D. C. R. Pollock-Hill did not bat.

Bowling: Bruce 19-4-68-0; Dunlop 12-3-20-0; Duberly 15-2-45-1; Lightfoot 24-5-62-1; Jafri 4-1-11-0; Fraser 2-0-11-0; Steel 5-1-15-2.

Eton

J. C. S. Hardy b Rayner	75	C. E. Steel c and b Roundell	0
H. V. Machin lbw b Rayner	0	A. F. Jafri not out	2
J. A. G. Fulton b Rayner	112	L-b 4, w 8, n-b 9	21
H. G. Duberly b Rayner	0		
*C. G. R. Lightfoot b Roundell	5	1/6 2/176 3/176	(7 wks) 230
T. O. M. Fraser not out	15	4/191 5/226	
†G. W. Deedes run out	0	6/227 7/227	

R. J. Dunlop and R. W. J. Bruce did not bat.

Bowling: Rayner 14-2-47-4; Hatcher 6-0-46-0; Roundell 14-0-82-2; Gillions 5-2-9-0; Pollock-Hill 5-1-18-0; Montgomery 2-0-24-0.

Umpires: P. T. Newman and R. Wood.

Of the 159 matches played between the two schools since 1805, Eton have won 52, Harrow 44 and 63 have been drawn. Matches during the two world wars are excluded from the reckoning. The fixture was reduced from a two-day two-innings-a-side match to one day in 1982. Forty-eight centuries have been scored, the highest being 183 by D. C. Boles of Eton in 1904; M. C. Bird of Harrow is the only batsman to have made two hundreds in a match, in 1907. The highest score since the First World War is 161 not out by M. K. Fosh of Harrow in 1975, Harrow's last victory. Since then Eton have won in 1977, 1985, 1990 and 1991; all other games have been drawn. A full list of centuries since 1918 and results from 1950 can be found in Wisdens prior to 1994.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE SCHOOLS

The dismal weather at the beginning of the summer caused many games to be cancelled or curtailed, affecting the results of batsmen and bowlers alike. Gordonstoun in Morayshire was an exception, reporting the best May in years. From the schools whose results are recorded here, only three batsmen reached 1,000 runs, the same as in the poor summer of 1991. P. A. Sogbodjor of Christ's College, Finchley, was by far the most prolific with 1,332 at 70.10, followed by W. Ritzema of Durham (1,038 at 57.66) and C. Jones of Victoria College, Jersey (1,019 at 72.78). Sogbodjor had the advantage of playing more innings than anyone else (26), while Ritzema and Jones had 21 and 20 respectively. Of those who passed 500, four batsmen recorded three-figure averages. The highest of these was that of I. Gompertz of Blundell's, whose 875 from 14 innings came at an average of 125.00; the others were O. M. Slipper of St Edward's, Oxford, with 558 runs at 111.60 and R. W. Nowell of Trinity, with 737 at 105.28, who both had ten innings, followed by O. A. Shah of Isleworth & Syon, whose 510 runs at 102.00 came from eight innings. There were 18 scores

of 150 or more, but Sogbodjor was alone in going on to a double-century with 206 not out. His five hundreds were also the most, while seven batsmen made four.

If the batting records were less spectacular than in 1993, the bowling suffered even more. No bowler took 60 wickets and only three collected 50, two fewer than in 1991, which provided the worst record for many years. The three were L. J. Botham of Rossall, with 54 at 10.00 off 230 overs, M. G. J. Walker of Barnard Castle, whose 51 off 287.3 overs cost 16.13 apiece, and A. G. Levens of Solihull, who bowled 228 overs for his 50 at 14.88. Another seven bowlers took 45 wickets or more, all requiring at least 200 overs to do so. Seven boys sent down more than 250 overs, with J. R. Burrows, a spinner from Pocklington (314), alone in bowling 300.

The only bowler to pass 30 wickets with a single-figure average was A. B. Birley of Birkenhead, whose 40 cost just 7.77 apiece. The best innings return was nine for 45 by G. Henderson of St George's, Weybridge, and there were eight instances of eight-wicket returns. Five hat-tricks were reported: from T. J. Allen of Campbell College, B. Lockwood of Clifton College, S. J. Speller of St John's, Leatherhead, N. P. Sproule of St Lawrence College, Ramsgate and J. M. Palmer of Lord Wandsworth College. This last hat-trick was remarkable for being all stumped – by the reserve wicket-keeper, C. J. Walker.

In terms of aggregates, the leading all-rounders were J. W. Hatch of Barnard Castle, with 910 runs at 45.50 and 47 wickets at 15.06, C. G. Taylor of Colston's Collegiate, who had 917 runs at 61.13 and 40 wickets at 15.00, and Botham, who hit 774 runs at 70.36 in addition to his 54 wickets at 10.00. In terms of averages, four boys stood out, doing better than 70 with the bat and 12 with the ball: Nowell (737 runs at 105.28, 29 wickets at 10.65), D. Sales of Caterham (830 runs at 83.00, 34 wickets at 11.23), Botham (as above) and S. C. B. Tomlinson of The Oratory (564 runs at 70.50, 35 wickets at 10.40). The Cricket Society's Wetherall Award went to Nowell, who was honoured for a second time, having shared the 1992 award with D. Spencer of Kingston GS.

Twenty-seven schools won more than half their matches, and of these Isleworth & Syon won 75 per cent, King's College School, Wimbledon won 73 per cent and Tonbridge 71 per cent. Isleworth & Syon and Tonbridge were unbeaten, as were ten other schools. Of these Bryanston and Queen Elizabeth GS, Wakefield, also won more than half their matches, but some had an alarmingly high percentage of draws, the most extreme being St Peter's, York, who drew 17 of their 21 encounters. Harrow, another side with a high preponderance of draws, had the unenviable record of no wins. Again several schools expressed their frustration at the negative attitude of some opposing sides, while many were proud of their positive approach.

The Sir Garfield Sobers International Schools' Cricket Tournament took place in Barbados in July and August, unfortunately clashing with the MCC Oxford and Lord's Festival. Of the four British schools which participated in 1994 – Bradford, Dr Challoner's GS, The Leys and Merchiston Castle – Dr Challoner's did best in taking 11th place. The tournament has featured some notable players in the eight years it has been held: in 1987 it was Brian Lara, playing for the Fatima College, who made the headlines.

Details of records broken, other outstanding performances and interesting features of the season may be found in the returns from the schools which follow.

THE SCHOOLS

(Qualification: Batting 150 runs; Bowling 15 wickets)

* On name indicates captain. * On figures indicates not out.

Note: The line for batting reads Innings–Not Outs–Runs–Highest Score–100s–Average; that for bowling reads Overs–Maidens–Runs–Wickets–Best Bowling–Average.

ABINGDON SCHOOL

Played 14: Won 3, Lost 1, Drawn 10. Abandoned 2

Master i/c: A. M. Broadbent

Wins v: Magdalen College S.; A. M. Broadbent's XI; UCS, Hampstead.

Batting—T. C. B. Pollard 14–1–520–121*–2–40.00; L. R. J. List 12–1–364–88–0–33.09; R. J. Finch 11–1–204–53*–0–20.40; J. R. V. Dolleymore 13–2–220–86–0–20.00.

Bowling—*B. M. Fuggles 79.4–25–248–15–4/17–16.53; D. A. Melin 141.2–22–582–22–4/34–26.45.

AMPLEFORTH COLLEGE

Played 16: Won 4, Lost 6, Drawn 6. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: G. D. Thurman

Cricket professional: D. Wilson

Wins v: Sedburgh; OACC; Saints; Dulwich C.

Batting—H. R. Lucas 16–3–532–102*–2–40.92; J. J. Hobbs 16–2–518–115*–1–37.00; H. P. Hickman 16–1–373–73*–0–24.86; A. D. Codrington 14–0–275–59–0–19.64; A. A. Richter 14–1–155–66–0–11.92.

Bowling—P. Wilkie 188.4–47–556–30–6/22–18.53; T. E. Pinsent 134–23–452–23–5/19–19.65; D. A. Johnston-Stewart 162.2–23–644–23–4/27–28.00; A. H. Robinson 190.2–26–800–26–6/48–30.76.

ARDINGLY COLLEGE

Played 20: Won 8, Lost 6, Drawn 6

Master i/c: R. A. F. King

Cricket professional: S. Sawant

Wins v: Old Ardinians; Brighton; Reigate GS; Worth; Headmaster's XI; St Paul's, Brisbane; XL Club; Cranleigh.

Batting—G. I. Best 20–1–556–83–0–29.26; B. A. Hubbard 18–1–472–88–0–27.76; J. A. Hubbard 18–1–466–83–0–27.41; J. R. Virgo 18–3–385–87*–0–25.66; G. M. Turner 11–2–176–30–0–19.55; J. R. Andrews 14–5–161–25*–0–17.88; A. D. H. Spencer 19–1–302–53–0–16.77.

Bowling—B. A. Hubbard 169.4–58–445–31–6/14–14.35; *A. E. Warren 170.4–29–666–26–6/74–25.61; R. E. J. Watts 116.4–19–424–15–4/17–28.26.

ASHVILLE COLLEGE

Played 18: Won 5, Lost 3, Drawn 10. Abandoned 2

Master i/c: S. Herrington

Wins v: Belfast RA; Bury GS; Silcoates; XL Club; Craven Gents.

Batting—S. Kay 13–3–396–65–0–39.60; J. Haigh-Lumby 17–4–362–67*–0–27.84; J. Cousen 18–0–498–67–0–27.66; R. Rawlings 12–0–253–59–0–21.08.

Bowling—G. Parker 170–41–503–35–5/9–14.37; R. Smart 151–25–560–24–5/29–23.33.

BABLAKE SCHOOL

Played 14: Won 3, Lost 9, Drawn 2. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: B. J. Sutton

Stuart Smyth, who headed the batting averages, represented Warwickshire Under-19.

Wins v: King Edward's, Five Ways; King Edward's, Nuneaton; Bishop Vesey's GS.

Batting—S. N. Smyth 13–2–633–136*–2–57.54; *C. J. Gardiner 14–1–408–125–1–31.38; S. Tearne 14–2–179–38–0–14.91; M. G. Bull 12–0–165–29–0–13.75.

Bowling—R. M. G. Sutton 93.1–10–389–18–5/15–21.61.

BANCROFT'S SCHOOL*Played 23: Won 9, Lost 8, Drawn 6. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: J. G. Bromfield

Cricket professional: J. K. Lever

A record of just six draws in 23 matches is testament to the positive approach of Bancroft's under the captaincy of Peter Vohmann, whose batting experience was also crucial. A significant all-round contribution was made by Asif Khan, a slow left-arm bowler and right-handed batsman who headed the bowling and whose 104 against MCC was a highlight. Stuart Greenhill emerged as another strong all-rounder, batting left-handed and bowling right-arm medium. The season was preceded in December by a successful tour to South Africa.

Wins v: St Joseph's; Langa CC; Chigwell; Enfield GS; Aylesbury GS; J. G. Bromfield's XI; Royal Anglian Regiment; XL Club; Old Bancroftians.

Batting—S. M. Greenhill 17-5-476-94*-0-39.66; P. M. Eacott 19-5-419-66-0-29.92; *P. T. Vohmann 20-1-554-82-0-29.15; A. A. Khan 19-1-520-104-1-28.88; J. R. Davey 14-3-201-56*-0-18.27; P. D. Baker 19-0-289-47-0-15.21.

Bowling—A. A. Khan 245.5-40-784-35-7/69-22.40; S. M. Greenhill 129.4-26-399-17-4/23-23.47; E. D. Mann 205.1-27-677-25-4/31-27.08; P. D. Baker 141.2-29-452-15-4/33-30.13.

BANGOR GRAMMAR SCHOOL*Played 25: Won 17, Lost 4, Drawn 4. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: C. C. J. Harte

In a side whose positive approach was rewarded by excellent results, Ross Cunningham led from the front with both bat and ball. Mark English and Matthew Scott were a prolific opening pair, whose stand of 206 against Cheadle Hulme was a school record for any wicket.

Wins v: Arnold; Ballyclare HS; Ballymena Acad.; Campbell C.; Cheadle Hulme; Donaghadee CC; Down HS; RS; Dungannon; Foyle and Londonderry C. (twice); Friends, Lisburn (twice); Limavady GS; Lurgan C.; Royal Belfast AI; The Staff; Sullivan US.

Batting—M. T. C. English 23-6-827-118*-2-48.64; M. N. Scott 24-5-694-93-0-36.52; B. J. Cunningham 18-4-410-86-0-29.28; *R. C. Cunningham 23-5-473-54*-0-26.27; A. M. Hopper 16-2-294-84-0-21.00; M. J. Williamson 15-5-170-58-0-17.00; K. M. Miskelly 15-3-176-56-0-14.66.

Bowling—C. M. Kennedy 137-22-476-43-6/19-11.06; R. C. Cunningham 159.5-34-511-40-4/8-12.77; M. J. Williamson 202.4-48-574-39-5/13-14.71; S. J. Larmour 98-22-278-18-3/11-15.44; M. R. Cheevers 106.1-20-351-21-3/13-16.71.

BARNARD CASTLE SCHOOL*Played 22: Won 11, Lost 5, Drawn 6*

Master i/c: C. P. Johnson

A young XI developed into an eager and promising side who won half their matches. The captain, Jodie Hatch, set new school records with his aggregate of 910 and his innings of 185 not out against UCS, Hampstead. He also took 47 wickets, while 51 fell to Martin Walker, these two featuring in a formidable attack with Jonathan Benson and Hatch's younger brother, Nicky. Two teams from Australia and one from South Africa were welcomed during the season.

Wins v: A. W. Hutchinson's XI; Silcoates; Woodbridge; Pocklington; Dame Allan's; King Edward VII, Lytham; St Bees; Yarra Valley Anglican S, Victoria; UCS, Hampstead; MCC; Scotch C., Melbourne.

Batting—*J. W. Hatch 22-2-910-185*-2-45.50; J. Benson 20-4-472-74-0-29.50; M. G. J. Walker 21-3-406-51-0-22.55; A. Taylor 17-3-265-46-0-18.92; L. A. J. Haslam 15-4-182-56*-0-16.54; N. G. Hatch 20-2-180-32-0-10.00.

Bowling—J. Benson 133.2-31-367-35-6/24-10.48; J. W. Hatch 278.1-75-708-47-6/83-15.06; M. G. J. Walker 287.3-51-823-51-7/26-16.13; N. G. Hatch 146.5-27-425-26-4/19-16.34.

BEDFORD SCHOOL*Played 16: Won 6, Lost 3, Drawn 7. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: D. W. Jarrett

Cricket professional: R. G. Caple

Unbeaten by schools, Bedford won six of their last eight games, three in exciting run-chases at the end-of-term festival. The captain, Toby Bailey, scored the most runs and kept wicket superbly, a fine understanding with the bowlers resulting in a dozen leg-side stumpings. Although Marc Snell had a disappointing season by his standards, he played the side's biggest innings — 151 not out against The Leys. He went on to captain England Under-16, while Bailey played for Bedfordshire and Northamptonshire Second XI.

Wins v: Oundle; Kearsney C., Natal; St Paul's, Brisbane; Stowe; Old Bedfordians; Wellington C.

Batting—B. S. Cheema 16-3-594-123-2-45.69; A. S. L. Cole 15-2-538-114-1-41.38; B. J. Smith 14-7-277-62-0-39.57; *T. M. B. Bailey 17-1-625-121-1-39.06; M. J. Oliver 13-6-224-59*-0-32.00; M. E. Snell 18-2-486-151*-1-30.37; J. G. Doyle 13-1-198-57*-0-16.50.

Bowling—A. C. Snowdon 199-27-764-30-5/74-25.46.

BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL*Played 20: Won 4, Lost 3, Drawn 13. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: N. J. Chinneck

A highlight was the match against Watford GS, in which I. R. Chadwick (105) and B. J. Young (112 not out) provided the first instance for more than a decade of two centuries in one innings. M. J. Brownridge made a useful all-round contribution and promise for the future came in the appearance of the Under-15 side in the Lord's Taverners semi-finals.

Wins v: Christ's C., Cambridge; St Albans; Old Boys; Berkhamsted.

Batting—B. J. Young 20-4-838-117-2-52.37; I. R. Chadwick 19-1-660-105-1-36.66; *M. J. Brownridge 17-2-487-76-0-32.46; A. G. Brown 19-3-513-101*-1-32.06; S. J. Robinson 14-6-160-29*-0-20.00.

Bowling—S. J. Robinson 89.2-13-341-16-4/15-21.31; M. J. Brownridge 212.3-35-715-26-5/60-27.50; D. C. Rolton 164-24-687-23-4/29-29.86; J. C. P. Woods 191.4-28-743-20-3/62-37.15.

BEECHEN CLIFF SCHOOL*Played 13: Won 2, Lost 2, Drawn 9. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: K. J. L. Mabe

Cricket professional: P. J. Colbourne

Ben Staunton, who played for Somerset Second XI, provided highlights with an aggressive 147 not out against King Edward's, Bath, followed later in the season by 102 against MCC. Mark Prentice made a consistent and significant all-round contribution.

Wins v: Queen Elizabeth's Hospital; Rutlish.

Batting—B. R. K. Staunton 9-1-422-147*-2-52.75; S. L. Kembery 10-0-297-70-0-29.70; M. J. Prentice 11-0-304-84-0-27.63.

Bowling—M. J. Prentice 163-42-405-25-7/29-16.20.

BERKHAMSTED SCHOOL*Played 13: Won 5, Lost 5, Drawn 3. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: J. G. Tolchard

Cricket professional: M. Herring

N. A. Wolstenholme completed his career in the XI with the best batting record ever compiled for the school: in four years he scored a total of 2,284 runs at 44.78, including seven hundreds.

Wins v: Aldenham; Monmouth; Framlingham; Old Berkhamstedians; Gentlemen of Hertfordshire.

*Batting—*N. A. Wolstenholme* 13-2-709-140-4-64.45; *R. D. Mackintosh* 12-1-398-84-0-36.18; *E. N. Tolchard* 13-2-239-56-0-21.72.

Bowling—E. J. Clarke 102-14-373-15-4/44-24.86; *S. M. Dev* 153-27-572-17-4/51-33.64.

BETHANY SCHOOL*Played 10: Won 4, Lost 3, Drawn 3. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: P. Norgrove

Cricket professional: G. Campbell

Wins v: Oakwood Park GS; Old Boys; Rochester Clergy; PTA XI.

*Batting—*A. Owen* 9-1-320-60-0-40.00; *F. Sadigeeen* 10-1-338-70-0-37.55.

Bowling—F. Sadigeeen 104-6-339-23-6/16-14.73.

BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL*Played 17: Won 7, Lost 0, Drawn 10*

Master i/c: P. A. Whittel

Wins v: Ellesmere; Ormskirk GS; St David's; Liverpool C.; King's, Chester; Foyle and Londonderry C.; Old Boys.

*Batting—*J. R. Carpenter* 12-1-781-142*-3-71.00; *E. J. Clarke* 11-1-344-75*-0-34.40; *Z. R. Feather* 9-1-222-57-0-27.75; *E. J. N. Roberts* 15-0-402-68-0-26.80; *S. J. Carpenter* 17-2-333-44-0-22.20.

Bowling—B. C. Attwood 60.5-20-136-19-7/26-7.15; *A. B. Birley* 164.5-58-311-40-8/30-7.77; *J. R. Carpenter* 150-46-356-22-4/46-16.18; *Z. R. Feather* 105-33-271-15-2/15-18.06.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD COLLEGE*Played 19: Won 9, Lost 2, Drawn 7, Tied 1. Abandoned 5*

Master i/c: D. A. Hopper

Cricket professional: C. S. Bannister

In their 125th anniversary year, a young side equalled the record of nine victories for the third successive season; the most satisfying were by ten wickets over Uppingham and Chigwell, the latter being bowled out for 39. Their positive approach brought several exciting close finishes, including a tie with Oakham and a drawn match against Bromsgrove where the scores finished level. Their strength lay in the bowling – headed by Andrew Bruce (fast-medium), who took five in an innings four times, and Mick Bashford (slow left-arm) who twice took seven in an innings – supported by fielding which was often electric. Hard practice in this department was rewarded with 12 run-outs from direct hits. Sam Fishpool's unbeaten 122 was the side's only century and brought success in the run-chase against Framlingham.

Wins v: Uppingham; Aldenham; Framlingham; Bishop's Stortford HS; Chigwell; The Leys; The Perse; Gresham's; Stamford.

Batting—J. J. Mew 14-5-368-62*-0-40.88; *J. D. Lamb* 17-1-581-79-0-36.31; *S. J. C. Fishpool* 20-3-598-122*-1-35.17; *C. J. Thorogood* 17-2-386-69-0-25.73; *M. Bashford* 12-2-209-83-0-20.90; *L. P. Westell* 15-3-209-43-0-17.41.

Bowling—A. J. Bruce 211.3-38-619-41-5/22-15.09; *M. Bashford* 266.5-92-598-39-7/30-15.33; **T. E. Laverack* 222.5-60-579-24-5/17-24.12; *L. P. Westell* 112.1-23-439-18-4/23-24.38.

BLOXHAM SCHOOL*Played 12: Won 4, Lost 0, Drawn 8. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: C. N. Boyns

Wins v: South Oxfordshire Amateurs; Banbury CC; Rendcomb; Old Bloxhamists.

*Batting—*A. Leonard* 9-6-175-35*-0-58.33; *M. B. Palmer* 12-3-441-102*-1-49.00; *A. R. Hurst* 11-1-301-63-0-30.10; *M. G. Hicks* 10-1-233-91*-0-25.88; *I. A. R. Adams* 8-1-173-65-0-24.71; *R. S. Tarrant* 12-0-234-37-0-19.50.

Bowling—I. A. R. Adams 126.3-29-385-30-5/11-12.83.

BLUNDELL'S SCHOOL*Played 15: Won 4, Lost 7, Drawn 4. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: T. H. C. Noon

Cricket professional: R. Harriott

The outstanding player was Ian Gompertz, who completed his fifth season in the XI. His 875 runs included 122 not out against MCC, 115 against Canford, 102 not out against Plymouth College, and 158 not out against Ampleforth. In the Plymouth game he shared in a double-century partnership with James Lewis and completed an excellent game with a return of seven for 68. He played for English Schools and NAYC.

Wins v: Downside; King's, Bruton; Devon Dumplings; Plymouth C.

*Batting—*I. Gompertz* 14-7-875-158*-4-125.00; *G. D. S. Vaughan* 11-1-229-78*-0-22.90; *E. D. Dorey* 14-2-247-53*-0-20.58; *P. S. Palmer* 11-2-151-73*-0-16.77; *J. Lewis* 14-1-207-77*-0-15.92.

Bowling—I. Gompertz 159.4-37-531-36-7/68-14.75; *T. Blair* 148-28-498-20-3/35-24.90; *T. Rowson* 110.1-12-433-17-3/59-25.47.

BRADFIELD COLLEGE*Played 14: Won 3, Lost 1, Drawn 10*

Master i/c: F. R. Dethridge

Cricket professional: J. F. Harvey

Wins v: Wellington C.; Berkshire Under-19; R. Dellor's XI.

Batting—R. Perkins 15-2-604-118*-1-46.46; *C. Williams* 15-0-386-72-0-25.73; *H. G. Austen-Brown* 13-3-197-54-0-19.70; **T. P. Dellor* 14-1-248-59-0-19.07.

Bowling—H. Forbes 91-18-325-16-4/28-20.31; *E. J. Kendall* 198-35-572-21-5/41-27.23.

BRADFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL*Played 21: Won 7, Lost 3, Drawn 11. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: A. G. Smith

In a strong batting side, in which six centuries were shared by four batsmen, Matthew Anderson broke his own school record of the previous season with 988 runs. His opening partnership with Simon Davies was one of the team's strengths, with strong support from D. J. Groom, who scored seven fifties. Lack of penetration left the side with 11 draws, while the three defeats followed generous declarations.

Wins v: Silcoates; Halifax Nomads; Parents' XI; Old Boys; William Hulme GS; Craven Gentlemen; MCC.

Batting—D. J. Groom 18-7-739-92-0-67.18; *M. J. Anderson 19-3-988-120-2-61.75; S. E. P. Davies 19-3-875-138*-2-54.68; D. C. Illingworth 14-7-232-100*-1-33.14; A. J. Myers 19-3-444-102*-1-27.75; D. J. Greaves 13-2-190-57-0-17.27.

Bowling—A. J. Myers 168-54-418-19-4/27-22.00; G. S. Kinvig 179-38-581-22-4/31-26.40; R. E. Walker 112-17-540-20-5/21-27.00; J. R. Crabtree 128.1-21-471-15-2/23-31.40; J. R. Cockcroft 165.3-26-714-17-3/47-42.00.

BRENTWOOD SCHOOL*Played 19: Won 8, Lost 4, Drawn 7. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: B. R. Hardie

Wins v: Chigwell; Bancroft's; Sevenoaks; Old Brentwoods (twice); Royal Anglian; Barcelona CC (twice).

Batting—A. K. Amin 11-2-329-101*-1-36.55; *B. Weller 12-1-341-80*-0-31.00; N. D. E. Boyce 8-2-169-71-0-28.16; P. D. A. Jones 13-3-276-103*-1-27.60; B. J. Tappin 10-1-245-86-0-27.22; J. E. P. Crapnell 11-4-166-58*-0-23.71; T. M. Witney 12-1-256-54-0-23.27; O. M. Watkins 14-1-165-37-0-12.69.

Bowling—J. E. P. Crapnell 117.1-19-399-16-4/16-24.93; N. D. E. Boyce 187.4-29-672-25-4/70-26.88; I. T. Belchamber 167-24-630-23-3/15-27.39.

BRIGHTON COLLEGE*Played 15: Won 1, Lost 7, Drawn 7. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: J. Spencer

Cricket professional: J. D. Morley

Edward Hart led the side by example with both bat and ball. The vice-captain, Clare Connor, stood up well to the opening bowlers after being promoted to open, and played for England Women Under-19. A tour of Zimbabwe was planned for October.

Win v: Ipswich.

Batting—*E. S. Hart 16-2-617-118-2-44.07; G. B. F. Hudson 16-0-331-80-0-20.68; Miss C. J. Connor 14-1-183-27-0-14.07; J. B. Holt 16-0-196-39-0-12.25; S. E. Green 16-0-163-52-0-10.18.

Bowling—E. S. Hart 187.5-55-502-27-7/81-18.59; G. B. F. Hudson 154.5-25-500-20-3/27-25.00.

BRISTOL GRAMMAR SCHOOL*Played 17: Won 5, Lost 4, Drawn 8. Abandoned 1*

Masters i/c: K. Blackburn and D. Crawford

Against the XL Club, 16-year-old Anthony Richardson scored the XI's first century for two years.

Wins v: Queen Elizabeth's Hospital; Wellington; Old Bristolians; Westminster C., Adelaide; XL Club.

Batting—M. Sutherland 15-1-498-97-0-35.57; A. Richardson 13-3-335-107*-1-33.50; J. Barnes 14-5-285-81*-0-31.66; J. Tyler 10-2-253-89*-0-31.62; *G. Axson 16-1-397-77-0-26.46; T. Button 11-2-225-65-0-25.00; A. Mitchell 11-2-150-43-0-16.66.

Bowling—M. Batchelor 93.1-18-336-20-5/17-16.80; J. J. Goodall 105-20-378-17-4/15-22.23; A. Mitchell 192-37-684-28-6/67-24.42.

BRYANSTON SCHOOL*Played 13: Won 8, Lost 0, Drawn 5. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: T. J. Hill

Pre-season coaching by R. J. Maru bore fruit in an unbeaten season in which eight of 13 matches were won. The side owed much to swing bowler Tom Brunner, a 16-year-old already in his third season, who took five wickets on five occasions. MCC were beaten by two wickets when James Hallett came in to face the last ball and hit it for six, and the season finished with an enjoyable tour of The Netherlands, in which two 50-overs matches on matting were won and two lost.

Wins v: XL Club; Clayesmore; Prior Park; Winchester; MCC; Portsmouth GS; Dorset Rangers; Milton Abbey.

Batting—P. J. Brenchley 11-4-322-101*-1-46.00; *R. J. Wagstaffe 13-1-550-91*-0-45.83; T. C. Z. Lamb 11-0-433-131-1-39.36; R. J. Hannon 11-1-256-110-1-25.60; E. O. G. Hunt 10-2-163-46-0-20.37; J. O. Cooke 12-2-181-38-0-18.10.

Bowling—T. P. W. Brunner 132.5-25-349-34-6/37-10.26; M. W. Davis 86.4-9-383-17-3/24-22.52.

CAMPBELL COLLEGE*Played 20: Won 4, Lost 5, Drawn 11*

Master i/c: E. T. Cooke

R. H. Lucas took his career record to 1,675 runs at 28.38 and 113 wickets at 12.55 in his four years in the XI.

Wins v: Larne GS; BRA Second XI; Foyle C.; Down HS.

Batting—*R. H. Lucas 18-4-612-74*-0-43.71; S. R. J. Flanagan 12-1-212-76-0-19.27; J. H. S. Montgomery 18-3-289-59-0-19.26; R. K. Long 13-3-192-29-0-19.20; S. D. Hughes 18-2-301-51*-0-18.81.

Bowling—S. D. Hughes 118-23-325-23-5/28-14.13; R. K. Long 111-24-357-25-5/59-14.28; N. J. Boomer 90-17-289-15-2/6-19.26; S. R. J. Flanagan 137-31-315-16-4/25-19.68; T. J. Allen 111-11-435-20-5/1-21.75.

CANFORD SCHOOL*Played 12: Won 5, Lost 2, Drawn 5. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: S. J. Turrill

Cricket professional: J. J. E. Hardy

In his fifth season in the XI, Graham Herring led by example as some strong sides were beaten, including Sherborne for the first time in eight years.

Wins v: Downside; King Edward VI, Southampton; Sherborne; Taunton; Cygnets.

Batting—*G. P. A. Herring 13-3-481-80-0-48.10; S. J. Neal 10-2-338-112*-1-42.25; T. W. Cutler 10-0-334-108-1-33.40; N. J. Makin 11-0-326-67-0-29.63; A. C. Major 11-3-184-61-0-23.00.

Bowling—T. W. Cutler 177.1-37-512-25-6/38-20.48; A. C. Major 204.3-33-754-23-4/82-32.78.

CATERHAM SCHOOL*Played 14: Won 9, Lost 1, Drawn 4*

Master i/c: A. G. Tapp

Cricket professional: W. Raja

The outstanding all-rounder was 16-year-old David Sales, an attacking batsman and medium-pace bowler. He played for England Under-18 and the Development of Excellence XI, made his first-team debut for Northamptonshire at the end of the season, and was selected for the England Under-19 tour to the West Indies.

Wins v: Kingston GS; Tiffin; St Dunstan's; Surrey YC; Whitgift; Eldoraigne, South Africa; Old Boys; Elizabeth C.; Yarra Valley GS, Australia.

Batting—D. J. Sales 14-4-830-159-2-83.00; A. Patel 12-2-304-63-0-30.40; S. Haydock 12-0-305-98-0-25.41; J. Winter 14-2-228-78*-0-19.00.

Bowling—D. J. Sales 134.1-35-382-34-5/12-11.23; W. McKeran 163.2-44-487-32-6/17-15.21; K. Barton 146-62-414-23-5/37-18.00.

CHELtenham COLLEGE*Played 16: Won 5, Lost 2, Drawn 9. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: M. W. Stovold

Cricket professional: M. D. Briers

Five wins, including the final of the Chesterton Cup over King's, Worcester, was a respectable tally for an inexperienced side. The captain, David Lawrence, was the leading batsman, while B. R. Passenger bowled fast but without luck.

Wins v: Dean Close; Rendcomb; Hereford Cathedral S.; Malvern; King's, Worcester.

Batting—*D. E. A. Lawrence 15-1-638-105-2-45.57; W. B. Hale 16-4-409-110*-1-34.08; W. F. A. Chambers 10-3-227-57*-0-32.42; T. D. Beim 13-2-287-78-0-26.09; T. E. Lacey 12-2-231-51*-0-23.10; T. R. O. Jones 16-0-335-65-0-20.93; M. S. Inglis 13-3-169-39*-0-16.90.

Bowling—W. F. A. Chambers 72-13-229-17-5/35-13.47; D. E. A. Lawrence 111-21-360-17-4/21-21.17; B. R. Passenger 179-28-549-19-5/19-28.89.

CHIGWELL SCHOOL*Played 15: Won 1, Lost 9, Drawn 5*

Master i/c: D. N. Morrison

Win v: St Edmund's, Ware.

Batting—M. Ali 13-2-371-73-0-33.72; K. Choudhary 10-3-231-58-0-33.00; T. Jolly 15-0-338-97-0-22.53.

Bowling—G. Plowright 102.1-18-479-20-4/22-23.95.

CHRIST COLLEGE, BRECON*Played 12: Won 4, Lost 2, Drawn 6. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: C. W. Kleiser

Cricket professional: S. Barwick

A considerable impact was made by the school's first cricket scholar, Andrew Davies, who also played for Welsh Schools and Glamorgan Second XI. A left-hander whose considerable ability allowed others to blossom and gain in confidence, he bowled superbly to dismiss both Llandovery and Wellington and scored 169 not out as Malvern A were beaten by more than 200 runs. Richard Thomas at last fulfilled his potential and Tom Harbottle proved a useful grafting opening bat.

Wins v: St David's UC, Lampeter; Malvern A XI; Llandovery; Wellington S.

Batting—A. P. Davies 12-3-612-169*-2-68.00; R. T. Thomas 10-2-333-82*-0-41.62; T. Harbottle 8-0-235-47-0-29.37.

Bowling—A. P. Davies 144.5-44-284-28-7/26-10.14; *D. Bartlett 95.5-21-281-15-6/24-18.73.

CHRIST'S COLLEGE, FINCHLEY*Played 28: Won 15, Lost 10, Drawn 3*

Master i/c: S. S. Goldsmith

In a side which achieved a record number of wins for this century, the captain, Peter Sogbodjor, was outstanding. He scored 1,332 runs in exhilarating fashion, beating his own record of 1,102 set the previous season. His five centuries included a school record 206 not out against Brondesbury CC, as well as 139 against Mill Hill, 121 not out against St Ignatius College, 104 not out against Enfield GS and 102 not out against Barclays Bank. In his 97 appearances for the first XI, which beat by one the previous best achieved by F. C. Cousins (1880-83), he totalled 3,688 runs and nine centuries, beating the previous records of 1,977 and four respectively. He was also a fine fielder, breaking the 100-year-old record with his career tally of 41 catches and, having taken over as wicket-keeper in 1993, set a new standard with 57 dismissals in all, including 13 stumpings in a season in 1993.

Wins v: S. S. Goldsmith's XI; St Ignatius (twice); Enfield GS; Mill Hill S.; Brondesbury CC; Woodhouse SFC; Barclays Bank (London); Gentlemen of Hertfordshire; East Barnet S.; Weavers; Old Hendonians; Staff XI; Middlesex Teachers XI; Gentlemen of Finchley.

Batting—*P. A. Sogbodjor 26-7-1,332-206*-5-70.10; G. J. Morjaria 22-8-597-83*-0-42.64; E. J. R. Gallagher 17-4-497-110*-2-38.23; M. H. Cable 23-3-242-48*-0-12.10; N. Symonds 21-0-206-46-0-9.80; R. R. Persad 21-1-160-24-0-8.00.

Bowling—T. Patel 84-20-310-18-4/25-17.22; G. J. Morjaria 173.3-39-546-31-5/12-17.61; N. Symonds 148.3-15-651-32-6/30-20.34; M. H. Cable 127.3-15-574-22-6/22-26.09.

CHRIST'S HOSPITAL*Played 14: Won 4, Lost 8, Drawn 2. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: H. Holdsworth

Cricket professionals: K. G. Suttle and P. J. Graves

It was not until they encountered the hard wickets during the end-of-term cricket week that the side began to fulfil their potential.

Wins v: Worth; Pioneers CC; Brighton; St Edmund's, Ware.

Batting—A. M. Buset 12-1-363-98-0-33.00; *J. A. Cordner 13-2-329-61-0-29.90; T. A. Smith 12-2-189-62-0-18.90; N. J. Codd 14-0-207-41-0-14.78; J. R. J. Edwards 13-0-179-55-0-13.76.

Bowling—A. H. Meredith-Jones 110-13-427-22-5/12-19.40; B. E. Bickley 169-40-525-26-5/75-20.19; J. M. Sheppy 125.5-21-447-21-4/40-21.28; J. P. Cheesmur 100-26-365-17-4/77-21.47; J. A. Cordner 148-21-500-18-4/21-27.77.

CLAYESMORE SCHOOL

Played 12: Won 7, Lost 2, Drawn 3

Masters i/c: R. J. Hammond and R. J. Denning

M. Swarbrick's 133 not out against Abbotsholme was a record for the school. The most successful bowler was 14-year-old T. C. Hicks, son of the former Cambridge University hockey captain who coached the XI.

Wins v: Allhallows; Dorset Rangers; Canford II; Poole GS; Embley Park; XL Club; Bearwood.

Batting—*M. Swarbrick 12-4-655-133*-2-81.87; A. M. Philp 9-2-236-82*-0-33.71; R. Gulliver 12-0-372-78-0-31.00; T. C. Hicks 12-2-256-65-0-25.60.

Bowling—A. M. Philp 108-25-249-26-7/26-9.57; T. C. Hicks 144-27-420-32-6/18-13.12; K. R. Balmforth 98-18-319-17-4/46-18.76.

CLIFTON COLLEGE

Played 18: Won 4, Lost 6, Drawn 8. Abandoned 4

Master i/c: D. C. Henderson

Cricket professional: F. J. Andrew

A highlight was the performance against Felsted of Ben Lockwood, whose first five overs brought him seven for four, including a hat-trick. David England headed the batting, supported by the South African Donald Gibson and Rupert Swetman, son of the former England wicket-keeper Roy Swetman. The side also featured Jody Kitchen, son of the former Somerset player and Test umpire Mervyn Kitchen.

Wins v: King's, Taunton; Monmouth; Felsted; Eastbourne.

Batting—*D. J. R. England 17-1-660-113-1-41.25; D. Gibson 13-3-392-133-1-39.20; A. J. C. Turner 13-0-350-59-0-26.92; R. W. Swetman 18-0-408-94-0-22.66; J. Kitchen 15-1-225-51-0-16.07; D. A. Kirtley 17-2-233-86-0-15.53; D. R. Grewcock 14-2-162-55-0-13.50.

Bowling—A. J. G. Wadsworth 176.4-42-491-30-5/24-16.36; B. Lockwood 195-60-508-28-7/14-18.14; A. J. C. Turner 104.5-15-340-15-5/47-22.66.

COLFE'S SCHOOL

Played 13: Won 2, Lost 4, Drawn 7. Abandoned 3

Master i/c: D. P. H. Meadows

Wins v: XL Club; Staff XI.

Batting—R. Key 10-3-410-92*-0-58.57; *P. Thompson 11-1-326-120-1-32.60; M. Groves 10-1-218-95-0-24.22; A. Wix 12-1-177-52-0-16.09.

Bowling—R. Cox 124.1-13-493-16-4/29-30.81.

COLSTON'S COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

Played 18: Won 9, Lost 1, Drawn 8. Abandoned 3

Masters i/c: M. P. B. Tayler and A. J. Palmer

The outstanding player was Christopher Taylor, who took 40 wickets with his off-spin and scored 900 runs for the second successive season, setting a new record with 917. He scored 161 against MCC, 108 not out against Balliol College and 136 against the Old Boys. Centuries also came from the brothers Duncan and Alistair Bell as the side equalled their record nine wins of 1993, but with fewer losses. The only defeat was at the hands of Hutton GS, despite the endeavours of Duncan Bell, who took eight for 32.

Wins v: King's, Gloucester; King Edward's, Bath; Clifton C.; Wellington; XL Club; Master of the Society of Merchant Venturers' XI; Beechen Cliff; MCC; Old Boys.

Batting—C. G. Taylor 17-2-917-161-3-61.13; A. J. C. Bell 14-1-556-106-1-42.76; *D. S. C. Bell 17-4-510-118-1-39.23; Q. J. Waraich 17-2-501-100*-1-33.40; C. J. Aust 11-4-221-48-0-31.57.

Bowling—D. S. C. Bell 102.5-29-351-27-8/32-13.00; C. G. Taylor 193.3-53-600-40-7/12-15.00; M. R. James 129.3-23-445-23-4/13-19.34.

CRANBROOK SCHOOL

Played 17: Won 3, Lost 3, Drawn 11. Abandoned 6

Master i/c: A. J. Presnell

Wins v: Simon Langton; Shebbear (twice).

Batting—N. Byrom 16-2-450-90-0-32.14; K. Jarrett 16-1-471-88-0-31.40; N. Pink 16-0-317-50-0-19.81.

Bowling—F. Devlin 113-32-296-24-7/25-12.33; D. Guy 140.3-36-426-25-4/24-17.04.

CRANLEIGH SCHOOL

Played 14: Won 7, Lost 4, Drawn 3. Abandoned 6

Master i/c: D. C. Williams

In a young side whose batting tended to be fragile, D. E. M. G. Copleston and G. A. M. Brown were the most reliable. The bowling was stronger, headed by T. W. P. Evans despite his not being fully fit, while S. A. M. Clyde proved to be a thoughtful slow bowler and A. N. Price bowled some tight left-arm spin. They were superbly backed up by the captain, A. Riva, whose outstanding wicket-keeping made up for his disappointing batting.

Wins v: St Paul's; Brighton; St John's; Loretto; Cryptics; XL Club; Cranleigh CC.

Batting—D. E. M. G. Copleston 15-3-356-91*-0-29.66; G. A. M. Brown 15-2-307-51-0-23.61; *A. Riva 15-2-262-112*-1-20.15; A. N. Price 16-1-246-71*-0-16.40; M. D. Colgate 15-1-180-65*-0-12.85.

Bowling—T. W. P. Evans 144.5-39-391-24-5/19-16.29; S. A. M. Clyde 129.3-30-363-17-6/54-21.35; A. N. Price 145.2-39-406-18-3/21-22.55; A. G. Hillier 105.2-23-385-17-5/62-22.64.

CULFORD SCHOOL*Played 13: Won 3, Lost 7, Drawn 2, Tied 1. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: R. P. Shepperson

Highlights of a season which featured much positive cricket included the first ever match against MCC, the visit of Trinity GS from Australia and a thrilling victory over the XL Club. The left-arm opening bowler, George Orno, who is expected to return for another year, took his tally for the XI to a school record of 50. The young all-rounder, Matthew Grinham, enjoyed an excellent debut season.

Wins v: Woodbridge; Pimpernel CC; XL Club.

Batting—M. J. Grinham 12-2-320-89-0-32.00; *J. J. W. Sallis 13-1-365-92*-0-30.41; B. Backhouse 13-2-300-59-0-27.27; B. R. Lindley 12-0-214-77-0-17.83.

Bowling—G. A. Orno 110-31-229-25-5/49-9.16; M. J. Grinham 125-31-350-22-5/23-15.90.

DAME ALLAN'S SCHOOL*Played 10: Won 6, Lost 3, Drawn 1*

Master i/c: J. Benn

Wins v: St Cuthbert's; RGS, Newcastle; King's, Tynemouth; Morpeth; Northumberland CCC Club & Ground; Ballymena Acad.

Batting—M. A. F. Hynd 9-3-281-58*-0-46.83.

Bowling—A. R. Robson 64-11-182-15-5/36-12.13.

DARTFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL*Played 12: Won 4, Lost 5, Drawn 3. Abandoned 3*

Masters i/c: C. J. Plummer and G. T. Prout

Wins v: Oakwood Park GS; Staff XI; St George's; Judd.

Batting—*D. M. Rye 9-2-283-71*-0-40.42; K. Newman 8-3-151-38*-0-30.20; K. M. Ring 10-1-270-87-0-30.00; J. Scott 8-0-160-77-0-20.00; S. J. Pollard 11-0-215-69-0-19.54.

Bowling—L. P. Jeffs 105-7-354-17-4/39-20.82.

DAUNTSEY'S SCHOOL*Played 12: Won 4, Lost 0, Drawn 8. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: D. C. R. Baker

Cricket professional: P. K. Knowles

Wins v: Tenterden; Wendywood; Old Dauntseians; D. C. R. Baker's XI.

Batting—A. Darbyshire 11-4-333-76-0-47.57; D. Nethercott 11-0-345-52-0-31.36; *J. Gaiger 11-1-312-110*-1-31.20; D. Bell 8-2-174-41*-0-29.00; O. Lawson 10-1-217-107*-1-24.11; M. Gauquier 9-2-160-60-0-22.85.

Bowling—A. Darbyshire 149-41-392-34-7/83-11.52; D. Hagelthorn 102.4-33-308-16-5/40-19.25.

DEAN CLOSE SCHOOL*Played 13: Won 2, Lost 4, Drawn 7. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: C. M. Kenyon

Cricket professional: S. Hansford

Failure of both batting and bowling brought disappointing results, although with eight of the XI expected to return in 1995, there is optimism for the future. The season was followed by a tour to Zimbabwe.

Wins v: Dean Close Common Room; Barton Peveril C.

Batting—*L. M. Simmonds 12-0-344-58-0-28.66; T. N. Johnson 12-1-307-100*-1-27.90; N. G. A. Miller 11-1-251-60*-0-25.10; A. J. Thompson 11-0-212-65-0-19.27; R. W. J. Chubb 10-1-157-42-0-17.44; D. T. Gilroy 11-1-171-56*-0-17.10.

Bowling—No bowler took 15 wickets. The leading bowler was S. H. Kenworthy 53.4-8-160-13-4/18-12.30.

DENSTONE COLLEGE*Played 20: Won 8, Lost 1, Drawn 11. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: A. N. James

Denstone enjoyed another excellent season in which, again, they were never bowled out. For the second year running, there was a new record aggregate of runs – this time from 16-year-old R. W. J. Howitt, whose 918 included a century, a 99 and seven other fifties. A total of 21 half-centuries helped the side to compile ten century partnerships, three of which passed 150 and the best of which was 171 for the third wicket between Howitt and M. P. Tweddle against Old Swinford Hospital. Howitt went on to play for Nottinghamshire Second XI.

Wins v: Staffordshire Gentlemen; Ellesmere C.; Old Swinford Hospital; King's, Macclesfield; Trent; Abbot Beyne; Bishop Vesey's; King Edward's, Aston.

Batting—R. W. J. Howitt 17-3-918-104*-1-65.57; *D. M. Campion 17-3-498-87-0-35.57; A. T. Griffin 13-5-268-114-1-33.50; R. J. Davies 18-1-462-92-0-27.17; D. J. O'Keefe 15-3-313-54*-0-26.08; M. P. Tweddle 17-6-236-75*-0-21.45.

Bowling—A. T. Griffin 127-26-371-21-4/16-17.66; J. A. J. Cure 171.2-22-624-34-5/56-18.35; J. M. R. Hudson 95-12-382-16-5/41-23.87; R. E. Wheatman 144-36-454-16-3/47-28.37.

DOVER COLLEGE*Played 12: Won 3, Lost 7, Drawn 2. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: D. C. Butler

Although the bowling and fielding were sound, brittle batting was a handicap. A highlight was a sixth-wicket partnership of 96 in 55 minutes between Brenton Amedee (38) and Matthew Telford (77) in the successful pursuit of 206 against King's, Rochester.

Wins v: King's, Rochester; XL Club; Staff XI.

Batting—*B. C. Amedee 10-1-177-38-0-19.66; R. J. P. Chappell 10-0-195-38-0-19.50.

Bowling—R. J. P. Chappell 114.1-18-386-17-4/53-22.70; B. C. Amedee 130.5-22-418-17-5/49-24.58.

DOWNSIDE SCHOOL*Played 15: Won 1, Lost 8, Drawn 6*

Master i/c: K. J. Burke

Cricket professional: B. Bing

Win v: Lancaster GS.

Batting—I. W. Kirkpatrick 11-3-198-47-0-24.75; *A. D. Graham 14-0-271-65-0-19.35; C. P. Reid 14-0-229-64-0-16.35; J. W. J. Hynes 14-0-221-47-0-15.78; H. D. Vyvyan 12-1-167-36*-0-15.18.

Bowling—J. W. J. Hynes 162-45-468-19-4/52-24.63; C. P. Reid 175.5-36-567-22-6/15-25.77.

DUKE OF YORK'S ROYAL MILITARY SCHOOL*Played 12: Won 6, Lost 2, Drawn 4. Abandoned 5*

Master i/c: S. Salisbury

Cricket professional: I. J. Hansen

In recording their most successful season for 20 years, the side owed much to Russell Martindale's all-round talent and in particular his seam bowling: his return of seven for three was crucial in the dismissal of St Augustine's for eight runs. He was ably supported by medium-pacers Tim Goodridge and brothers Edward and John Budd.

Wins v: Dover C.; Bethany; St Augustine's; Maidstone GS; Sutton Valence; Headmaster's XI.

Batting—R. J. J. Martindale 8-3-199-70*-0-39.80; C. M. G. Pollock 12-4-228-51-0-28.50; *E. J. Budd 11-2-238-66*-0-26.44.

Bowling—T. H. Goodridge 60.2-18-183-23-6/26-7.95; J. D. Budd 65-13-208-17-5/20-12.23; R. J. J. Martindale 150-41-380-27-7/3-14.07.

DURHAM SCHOOL*Played 22: Won 10, Lost 1, Drawn 11. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: N. J. Willings

Cricket professional: M. Hirsch

In another excellent season, Durham recorded ten wins and would have had more but for the frustratingly negative approach of some opponents. In a strong side, captained by Chris Clark, five batsmen scored 500 runs and five bowlers took 20 wickets. As well as effecting a school record 39 victims behind the stumps, Wayne Ritzema scored 1,000 runs for the second successive season, with hundreds against Pocklington (113), Durham Pilgrims (101 not out), Queen Elizabeth's Hospital (155 not out) and the visiting South African side, Kearsney College, in a two-day game (107). He finished his career in the XI with 2,730 runs to his name and played for English Schools, MCC Schools and Durham Under-19. There were four partnerships of more than 200 and a fifth-wicket record of 191 against Kearsney College between Ritzema and Ben Cosbie-Ross, who scored a maiden century. John Windows was the outstanding all-rounder, with 705 runs, 34 wickets and eight catches.

Wins v: Ampleforth; MCC; Sedbergh; Dame Allan's; RGS, Newcastle; Eglington CC; Barnard Castle; XL Club; St Bees; Queen Elizabeth's Hospital.

Batting—W. Ritzema 21-3-1,038-155*-4-57.66; *C. Clark 18-4-734-95-0-52.42; W. Halford 8-4-176-102-1-44.00; B. Cosbie-Ross 18-5-521-103*-1-40.07; J. B. Windows 22-4-705-144-1-39.16; M. Coates 21-1-504-80-0-25.20; E. Cleland 14-3-209-60-0-19.00.

Bowling—R. McLaren 74-18-240-25-5/5-9.60; O. Jaber 83.3-17-301-22-7/26-13.68; J. B. Windows 186.3-49-611-34-5/22-17.97; C. Clark 92-25-290-15-4/49-19.33; J. Bailey 188.4-42-592-29-5/20-20.41; M. Coates 236-70-758-25-5/44-30.32.

EASTBOURNE COLLEGE*Played 15: Won 7, Lost 7, Drawn 1. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: N. L. Wheeler

Cricket professional: J. N. Shepherd

The season started with a flourish as five opponents were bowled out and easily beaten, but injury, examinations and holiday jobs took their toll and a one-run loss to Epsom was followed by a miserable end-of-season festival at Felsted. There was some bright, adventurous batting, but the bowlers seemed to find the season too long for them.

Wins v: Christ's Hospital; Lancing; Ardingly; Worth; St John's, Leatherhead; Old Eastbournians; Seaford.

Batting—T. J. White 14-3-407-102-1-37.00; *A. J. H. Bogdanovski 14-3-357-99-0-32.45; R. F. Marchant 12-1-317-74-0-28.81; M. S. M. Justice 12-1-206-56*-0-18.72; C. J. H. Baker 9-0-165-49-0-18.33; C. J. Dyer 12-2-156-33-0-15.60.

Bowling—T. Mills 64-4-260-18-4/14-14.44; C. J. A. Dawson 177-43-537-26-5/41-20.65; C. J. Dyer 117-14-520-20-5/38-26.00.

THE EDINBURGH ACADEMY*Played 19: Won 10, Lost 2, Drawn 7*

Master i/c: G. R. Bowe

Wins v: Edinburgh Academicals; Glenalmond; D. W. J. Moffat's XI; XL Club; Kelvinside Acad.; Loretto; Fettes; Academicals; Brighton C.; King's, Macclesfield.

Batting—J. S. D. Moffat 17-3-614-96*-0-43.85; D. A. T. G. Rutherford 20-2-464-55*-0-25.77; A. S. Eaton 19-4-334-75*-0-22.26; G. B. MacLeod 19-1-385-45-0-21.38; J. P. L. Boyd 16-7-190-59-0-21.11; *M. D. Fairweather 18-1-243-35-0-14.29; I. A. Hathorn 16-2-163-26*-0-11.64.

Bowling—L. L. Moodley 199-41-627-44-6/24-14.25; A. S. Eaton 239-49-743-44-5/34-16.88; M. D. Fairweather 128-39-353-20-4/13-17.65; J. S. D. Moffat 151-42-347-16-3/61-21.68.

ELIZABETH COLLEGE, GUERNSEY*Played 19: Won 3, Lost 6, Drawn 10. Abandoned 5*

Master i/c: M. E. Kinder

In a season of rebuilding, much depended on the captain, Simon Beck, whose 741 runs took his career aggregate to 2,081 in five seasons. The bowling and fielding were disappointing, but with most of the side expected to return in 1995, the future looks brighter.

Wins v: Guernsey CA; Guernsey Police; Elizabeth C. Second XI.

Batting—*S. A. Beck 19-2-741-115-1-43.58; M. C. Stokes 19-1-587-99-0-32.61; J. Arnold 17-1-404-108-1-25.25; P. W. Oliver 13-1-198-37*-0-16.50; O. T. Brock 17-2-195-28-0-13.00; S. J. Fooks 15-1-176-49*-0-12.57.

Bowling—J. A. Barrett 127-17-554-20-4/22-27.70.

ELLESMERE COLLEGE*Played 17: Won 2, Lost 6, Drawn 9. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: E. Marsh

Cricket professional: R. G. Mapp

Wins v: Liverpool C.; Frankton CC.

Batting—*J. H. Nunn 14-4-218-36-0-21.80; C. N. C. Hill 17-5-258-37-0-21.50; T. F. Stewart 14-1-275-56-0-21.15; O. M. Dunk 16-4-249-59*-0-20.75; J. P. Terry 17-0-264-34-0-15.52; K. T. O'Shea 14-0-156-39-0-11.14.

Bowling—P. R. Harper 148-44-445-24-5/32-18.54; J. R. C. Maddocks 161-30-501-19-4/18-26.36; T. F. Stewart 170-21-615-22-3/29-27.95.

ELTHAM COLLEGE

Played 20: Won 4, Lost 7, Drawn 9. Abandoned 1

Masters i/c: P. McCartney and B. Withecombe Cricket professionals: R. Hills and R. Winup
The total of 277 for six against Colfe's was a new school record, passing by 22 the previous best set in 1980.

Wins v: Old Elthamians; Gravesend GS; St Olave's; Langley Park.

Batting—J. M. Bensted 18-4-422-115-1-30.14; P. S. Pay 11-0-297-69-0-27.00; B. P. Dell 19-2-437-133-1-25.70; T. B. Beames 15-4-226-56*-0-20.54; *B. P. Cartwright 14-3-224-55-0-20.36; D. J. Hadley 16-2-247-63-0-17.64; D. Harris 14-0-183-28-0-13.07.

Bowling—J. M. Bensted 117.1-14-417-26-5/18-16.03; B. P. Cartwright 186-43-576-35-5/2-16.45; T. B. Beames 200.1-38-657-31-4/28-21.19; P. S. Attreed 95-13-367-15-5/47-24.46.

EMANUEL SCHOOL

Played 15: Won 6, Lost 5, Drawn 4. Abandoned 4

Master i/c: J. R. Cremer Cricket professional: J. R. Cremer
Emanuel were runners-up in the Under-19 London Cup and semi-finalists in the Under-19 Surrey Cup.

Wins v: Tiffin; KCS, Wimbledon; RGS, Reigate; John Fisher; Westminster City; Haberdashers' Hatcham & Aske's.

Batting—T. S. Seaton 14-3-818-161-3-74.36; *D. A. Darriba 14-4-389-66*-0-38.90; P. S. Seaton 8-2-165-68-0-27.50; N. Chetram 8-2-159-67*-0-26.50; G. Mustoe 12-0-171-41-0-14.25; S. Dillsworth 13-2-155-32-0-14.09.

Bowling—D. A. Darriba 133.3-34-348-30-7/31-11.60; C. Hicks 90.2-30-264-20-5/25-13.20; T. Seaton 130.5-31-380-21-4/35-18.09; S. Dillsworth 122-33-332-15-4/9-22.13.

ENFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Played 24: Won 6, Lost 6, Drawn 12. Abandoned 2

Master i/c: J. J. Conroy

Fifteen-year-old Aaron Laraman made a significant contribution with 791 runs and 28 wickets.

Wins v: Bishop's Stortford HS; RGS, Colchester; Old Boys; Owens; Queen Elizabeth, Barnet; Verulam.

Batting—A. Laraman 17-4-791-101-2-60.84; P. Honnor 22-1-588-103-1-28.00; M. Nicholls 17-1-378-71*-0-23.62; R. Baker 9-1-184-53-0-23.00; T. Atkins 15-4-222-72-0-20.18; D. Evans 20-4-310-66-0-19.37; *J. Mitchell 19-5-211-27-0-15.07; M. Bowen 17-1-221-58-0-13.81.

Bowling—R. Baker 78-12-271-17-4/13-15.94; M. Nicholls 214-26-656-31-4/30-21.16; J. Mitchell 234.1-24-855-36-6/40-23.75; A. Laraman 166-25-723-28-4/34-25.82.

EPSOM COLLEGE

Played 6: Won 2, Lost 1, Drawn 3. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: M. D. Hobbs

A highlight was the dismissal of Lancing for 46 by N. S. F. Wherry (four for 24) and L. J. Webster (six for 17).

Wins v: Lancing; Eastbourne C.

Batting—N. S. F. Wherry 6-2-168-70*-0-42.00; *R. E. Arthur 6-0-242-88-0-40.33; J. E. Harris 7-0-209-71-0-29.85.

Bowling—No bowler took 15 wickets.

ETON COLLEGE

Played 13: Won 2, Lost 5, Drawn 6. Abandoned 4

Master i/c: J. A. Claughton

Cricket professional: J. M. Rice

Eton suffered their most disappointing season for many years, in which St Edward's, Oxford, inflicted the first defeat by a school since 1990. The younger players prospered, with James Fulton, a left-hander, scoring two hundreds and the Under-15 side beating King's, Macclesfield, to win the Lord's Taverners Trophy for the first time.

Wins v: Winchester; Eton Ramblers.

Batting—J. A. G. Fulton 12-1-471-112-2-42.81; H. V. Machin 12-0-377-80-0-31.41; *C. G. R. Lightfoot 11-5-157-27*-0-26.16; H. G. Duberly 11-3-186-48*-0-23.25; J. C. S. Hardy 12-0-258-75-0-21.50.

Bowling—C. G. R. Lightfoot 164.4-37-475-20-3/22-23.75.

EXETER SCHOOL

Played 19: Won 10, Lost 5, Drawn 4. Abandoned 2

Master i/c: M. C. Wilcock

Orlando Le Fleming, who headed both averages, played for English Schools, MCC Schools, NAYC, NCA Young Cricketers, the Development of Excellence XI and Devon. Fifteen-year-old Patrick Drought, coming into the side at the end of the season, scored 131 runs in his three innings.

Wins v: Exeter St James; Blundell's; Kelly C.; Taunton; Exeter CC; Queen's, Taunton; Wells Cathedral S.; Headmaster's XI; Hereford Cathedral S.; The Chase.

Batting—*A. O. F. Le Fleming 11-3-452-133*-1-56.50; T. A. Sowman 14-5-305-59*-0-33.88; R. J. Smith 12-2-301-78*-0-30.10; J. D. Evennett 14-4-285-61-0-28.50; M. H. Price 15-2-348-68-0-26.76; J. P. Janion 14-3-227-54-0-20.63; W. C. Cruft 14-0-255-51-0-18.21.

Bowling—A. O. F. Le Fleming 83.2-28-188-19-5/8-9.89; M. J. Porter 147.3-31-559-40-7/37-13.97; J. D. Evennett 182.1-38-563-38-8/30-14.81; M. H. Price 127.2-21-469-24-4/18-19.54.

FETTES COLLEGE

Played 13: Won 3, Lost 8, Drawn 2

Master i/c: C. H. Carruthers

Cricket professional: J. van Geloven

Wins v: Kelvinside Acad.; George Watson's; Stewart's Melville.

Batting—I. E. G. Forbes 12-1-252-68-0-22.90; A. I. F. Nelson 14-1-285-78*-0-21.92; T. F. White 12-2-203-52*-0-20.30.

Bowling—T. F. White 138.1-39-342-20-5/65-17.10; I. E. G. Forbes 182.4-41-559-24-4/18-23.29.

FOREST SCHOOL

Played 19: Won 10, Lost 2, Drawn 7. Abandoned 3

Master i/c: S. Turner

Ten wins were the best in recorded history for the school. A highlight was the bowling of D. Ducat, whose 43 wickets included four for nought in an over.

Wins v: Chigwell; St Dunstan's; Brentwood; Ilford CHS; Incogniti; Enfield; Essex Schools Under-19; Culford; Bancroft's; Southend HS.

Batting—S. Moss 18-4-661-113*-1-47.21; G. Kilby 14-1-385-55-0-29.61; J. McKay 16-2-380-59*-0-27.14; W. Rogers 15-4-259-58-0-23.54; *N. Sims 18-2-350-118*-1-21.87.

Bowling—D. Ducat 192.5-36-667-43-6/37-15.51; W. Rogers 158.3-33-482-30-6/64-16.06; J. McKay 93.1-22-316-17-4/16-18.58; S. Oliver 226.5-79-513-27-3/23-19.00.

FRAMLINGHAM COLLEGE

Played 14: Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 6. Abandoned 2

Master i/c: P. J. Hayes

Cricket professional: C. Rutterford

Wins v: Norwich; Monmouth; Royal Anglian Regiment; Winchester.

Batting—J. H. Phillips 14-3-466-104-1-42.36; J. H. Pearl 13-4-368-86*-0-40.88; W. D. Buck 11-0-239-55-0-21.72; C. J. Clementson 13-3-181-51-0-18.10; J. A. Misick 13-1-215-45-0-17.91; *J. R. Roberts 11-0-161-25-0-14.63.

Bowling—W. D. Buck 181.2-41-618-22-5/62-28.09.

GIGGLESWICK SCHOOL

Played 13: Won 3, Lost 2, Drawn 8. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: C. Green

Cricket professional: S. A. Pearce

Wins v: St Bees; XL Club; Old Giggleswickians.

Batting—C. J. Shorrocks 11-4-220-50*-0-31.42; *S. J. Nesbitt 12-1-318-100*-1-28.90; J. A. E. Caton 12-0-228-57-0-19.00.

Bowling—S. J. Nesbitt 148-34-441-28-5/21-15.75; J. B. Savage 192-45-499-24-4/17-20.79.

THE GLASGOW ACADEMY

Played 12: Won 4, Lost 0, Drawn 8

Master i/c: A. G. Lyall

Cricket professional: V. Hariharan

Euan Stubbs and Suhail Riaz played for Scotland Under-16 and Under-15 respectively.

Wins v: Kelvinside Acad.; Morrison's Acad.; George Heriot's; XL Club.

Batting—*A. C. Lindsay 11-1-368-91-0-36.80; R. I. Higgins 11-4-175-48*-0-25.00; E. Stubbs 9-1-165-41-0-20.62; R. Patel 11-2-173-42*-0-19.22.

Bowling—R. Munday 59-13-185-17-6/46-10.88; G. Cross 116-16-397-29-6/39-13.68; A. C. Lindsay 103-30-251-17-5/44-14.76; R. I. Higgins 111-24-361-17-4/6-21.23.

GLENALMOND

Played 13: Won 3, Lost 1, Drawn 9

Master i/c: J. D. Bassett

In an improved season, Glenalmond competed effectively on the Scottish circuit and were particularly encouraged to measure themselves against English schools opposition in closely fought draws against Sedburgh and King's, Ely.

Wins v: Merchiston; Fettes; XL Club.

Batting—T. M. Stevenson 12-6-167-37-0-27.83; A. D. M. Gully 14-2-281-70*-0-23.41; J. R. Hammond-Chambers 12-1-245-52-0-22.27; A. E. Mackintosh-Walker 13-2-232-55-0-21.09; A. R. D. Croall 13-0-271-72-0-20.84; M. W. Craig 12-0-227-41-0-18.91.

Bowling—A. K. P. Young 150.2-37-399-28-6/35-14.25; A. D. M. Gully 149-32-465-22-5/42-21.13.

GORDONSTOUN SCHOOL

Played 8: Won 5, Lost 1, Drawn 1, Tied 1

Master i/c: C. J. Barton

In a magnificent summer, which included the driest May in Morayshire for 30 years, the cricket matched the weather, with some positive and exciting matches. Highlights were the victory over MCC and the successful pursuit of 312 for no loss against Old Gordonstounians.

Wins v: Robert Gordon's; Elgin CC; MCC; Old Gordonstounians; C. J. Barton's XI.

Batting—S. A. B. MacDonald 7-2-326-114-1-65.20; A. H. B. Fraser-Tytler 7-2-292-132*-1-58.40; *S. A. Walton 8-1-323-160*-1-46.14.

Bowling—J. L. Shrago 94.2-15-385-22-6/34-17.50; M. C. Hepburn 111-27-413-21-6/12-19.66.

GRESHAM'S SCHOOL

Played 19: Won 6, Lost 6, Drawn 7. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: A. M. Ponder

Both batting and bowling records fell at Gresham's: Alastair Ponder's aggregate of 716 was the highest ever for the school, and Jeremy Mobbs became the most successful bowler with 48 wickets. His seven for 88 against Oundle and Ollie Morgan's 140 against Bromsgrove were particularly memorable.

Wins v: Wisbech GS; Culford; The Perse; West Norfolk CC; King Edward VII; Royal Anglian Regiment.

Batting—*A. R. Ponder 19-4-716-121*-1-47.73; O. Morgan 15-0-442-140-1-29.46; N. Hood 17-0-373-55-0-21.94; T. Hood 15-1-301-59-0-21.50; J. Wyatt 16-3-221-44*-0-17.00; J. Cuff 13-1-150-31-0-12.50.

Bowling—J. Mobbs 244.5-59-770-48-7/88-16.04; J. Woodwark 131.3-20-467-22-4/18-21.22; M. McHale 170.5-28-585-25-7/47-23.40; P. Webster 144-23-492-16-5/54-30.75.

HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S SCHOOL*Played 18: Won 7, Lost 1, Drawn 10. Abandoned 2*

Masters i/c: S. D. Charlwood and D. I. Yeasley

Good team spirit and significant contributions from everyone resulted in a better season than had been expected. Highlights were successful run-chases on consecutive days against Bedford Modern and Old Haberdashers, followed by an excellent victory on tour over a strong Devon Under-16 side.

Wins v: Bancroft's; Watford GS; Enfield GS; Bedford Modern; Old Haberdashers; Devon U-16; Budleigh Salterton CC.

*Batting—*A. E. Plaskow 15-7-502-88-0-62.75; N. J. Fielden 17-3-551-78-0-39.35; A. R. Lock 12-1-241-64-0-21.90; B. Ashworth 12-2-178-34-0-17.80; *S. F. Byrne 15-2-219-43-0-16.84; S. Shah 14-3-173-30-0-15.72; J. Bilimoria 16-2-216-53-0-15.42.

*Bowling—*A. E. Plaskow 77.3-9-354-19-6/57-18.63; P. R. Samuels 166-26-487-25-4/23-19.48; S. R. Sher 164.2-41-459-23-4/27-19.95; H. Saegusa 156.4-46-414-20-6/46-20.70; N. J. Fielden 169.1-33-548-24-4/28-22.83.

HAILEYBURY*Played 14: Won 3, Lost 1, Drawn 10. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: M. S. Seymour

Cricket professional: P. M. Ellis

The side responded with enthusiasm to the coaching of Graham Barlow, whose impact was considerable. Robert Walker was an exemplary captain, making intelligent use of his bowlers and always ready to capitalise on promising situations. The positive approach that continued to characterise the Haileybury XI resulted in some close finishes, notably against Felsted (won by three runs) and Sherborne (lost by two wickets).

Wins v: Privateers; Dulwich; Felsted.

*Batting—*P. D. Stafford 13-0-481-99-0-37.00; N. D. Hughes 13-2-355-88*-0-32.27; J. E. L. Dahl 10-3-176-50-0-25.14; *R. E. Walker 13-0-301-75-0-23.15; D. A. Cruickshank 12-0-256-72-0-21.33; M. O. Elmes 9-0-173-62-0-19.22; S. M. Osman 13-2-186-57-0-16.90.

*Bowling—*D. W. Stahl 128-38-374-25-4/20-14.96; N. D. Hughes 105-22-289-17-4/9-17.00; B. R. J. Macaulay 142-31-431-18-5/30-23.94.

HAMPTON SCHOOL*Played 20: Won 3, Lost 6, Drawn 11. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: A. J. Cook

Cricket professional: P. Farbrace

Wins v: Watford; Headmaster's XI; Old Hamptonians.

*Batting—**M. P. Hall 16-2-772-110*-1-55.14; A. S. Barnes 14-3-425-86-0-38.63; T. J. Green 15-3-258-35-0-21.50; M. J. Templeman 15-1-273-57-0-19.50; C. J. H. S. Clark 16-0-201-47-0-12.56.

*Bowling—*P. J. Frost 121.5-30-334-20-4/28-16.70; T. J. Green 216.4-49-670-35-7/46-19.14; N. T. Barnes 172.4-26-570-24-4/41-23.75; E. Holdsworth 124-18-533-20-6/67-26.65.

HARROW SCHOOL*Played 12: Won 0, Lost 1, Drawn 11. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: W. Snowden

Cricket professional: R. K. Sethi

Harrow failed to win a game but lost only to Felsted. The high number of draws was due to the wet weather and lack of bowling support for Simon Roundell and Mark Rayner. While Justin Litherland was the leading batsman, the outstanding partnership – 160 for the fourth wicket – was compiled by Oliver Chittenden and Roundell against Eton at Lord's.

*Batting—*J. P. Litherland 11-1-454-101*-1-45.40; S. F. Roundell 11-2-288-89-0-32.00; M. C. R. Crawford 11-1-230-45-0-23.00; O. H. Chittenden 10-0-218-96-0-21.80; S. D. G. Engelen 11-0-214-36-0-19.45.

*Bowling—*S. F. Roundell 94.2-17-339-20-4/24-16.95; M. S. Rayner 139-31-410-22-4/31-18.63.

THE HARVEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL*Played 19: Won 8, Lost 4, Drawn 7. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: P. J. Harding

The side, which lost only one schools match, regained the Kent County Cup when they beat Simon Langton GS in the final.

Wins v: Maidstone GS; Erith; Leigh CC; XL Club; Tunbridge Wells GS; Simon Langton GS; Wootton Courtenay CC; Watchet CC.

*Batting—*D. E. Johnson 16-5-422-68-0-38.36; J. Hughes 18-2-457-60-0-28.56; D. Fletcher 16-3-346-120*-1-26.61; D. Himsworth 15-4-281-67*-0-25.54; *L. Stone 14-4-235-58-0-23.50; J. Smith 14-1-285-107-1-21.92.

*Bowling—*L. Stone 185-60-393-35-6/7-11.22; S. Wood 121.3-32-343-28-5/21-12.25; M. Bristow 126-25-348-24-3/7-14.50.

HEREFORD CATHEDRAL SCHOOL*Played 16: Won 4, Lost 2, Drawn 10. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: A. Connop

Wins v: Llandovery C.; Wrekin; XL Club; Gentlemen of Herefordshire.

*Batting—*B. J. Albright 15-3-549-100*-1-45.75; *D. F. Kings 12-2-440-75*-0-44.00; S. J. Price 11-4-306-94-0-43.71; J. Andrews 13-1-290-46-0-24.16; T. I. Hall 13-4-216-57-0-24.00.

*Bowling—*G. P. Holland 116.5-20-409-20-3/15-20.45; J. Butlin 137.5-31-436-21-6/98-20.76.

HIGHGATE SCHOOL*Played 13: Won 4, Lost 2, Drawn 7. Abandoned 3*

Masters i/c: R. G. W. Marsh and R. J. Davis

Cricket professional: R. E. Jones

A young side, which featured the O'Brien brothers, Matthew (M. A. P.) and Michael (M. A. J.), were pleased to number the Masters' Common Room among their victims for the first time since 1959.

Wins v: Christ's College; Hendon; Masters' Common Room; North London Police.

Batting—S. M. Khan 12-6-319-82*-0-53.16; R. H. Beenstock 10-3-337-105*-1-48.14; M. A. P. O'Brien 8-0-226-55-0-28.25; G. R. Saade 8-2-166-67-0-27.66; S. D. Philipson 8-0-220-56-0-27.50; M. A. J. O'Brien 10-0-223-70-0-22.30; *T. O. Jenkins 11-0-234-102-1-21.27.

Bowling—C. J. P. Thomas 113-23-299-16-4/52-18.68; G. R. Saade 115-21-286-15-4/48-19.06; C. T. Millward 154-26-567-20-5/70-28.35.

HURSTPIERPOINT COLLEGE

Played 15: Won 7, Lost 2, Drawn 6. Abandoned 4

Master i/c: M. E. Allbrook

Cricket professional: D. J. Semmence

Highlights in a successful season were the 170-run defeat of Eastbourne in the final of the Langdale Trophy and the match against Seaford College, who were beaten before lunch (Seaford 39, Hurstpierpoint 40 for one). The captain, Justin Bates, led by example with 580 runs and 25 wickets (off-spin) and was well supported by the wicket-keeper Simon May and opening bowler James Paterson.

Wins v: Ardingly (twice); Seaford; Christ's Hospital; Eastbourne; Brighton; Lancing.

Batting—*J. J. Bates 14-3-580-129-3-52.72; S. P. May 11-2-318-101*-1-35.33; N. J. Jenkin 14-3-311-56-0-28.27; J. E. R. Paterson 13-4-174-37*-0-19.33; J. E. Riddy 14-0-229-66-0-16.35.

Bowling—J. E. R. Paterson 134.1-30-334-27-5/38-12.37; J. J. Bates 137.4-44-322-25-6/27-12.88; L. J. Atkins 123-28-311-20-4/50-15.55; J. C. A. Catterall 77.5-11-317-19-3/23-16.68.

IPSWICH SCHOOL

Played 15: Won 2, Lost 5, Drawn 8. Abandoned 4

Master i/c: A. K. Golding

Cricket professional: R. E. East

Wins v: King's, Macclesfield; Edinburgh Acad.

Batting—S. Henwood 15-1-527-100*-1-37.64; G. McCartney 15-2-333-100*-1-25.61; *J. East 15-1-271-56*-0-19.35; J. Lear 11-0-193-39-0-17.54; C. Robinson 13-1-191-34-0-15.91; J. Collins 14-1-192-43-0-14.76.

Bowling—J. East 239-28-519-33-5/45-15.72; C. Robinson 174-39-654-20-4/53-32.70.

ISLEWORTH & SYON SCHOOL

Played 16: Won 12, Lost 0, Drawn 4. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: B. A. Goldsby

Unbeaten, the side won 12 of their 16 matches and took the Middlesex Schools' County Cup – both achievements for the first time. Fifteen-year-old Owais Shah was again outstanding as he averaged 102 in his eight innings. He played for Middlesex Second XI as well as representing England Under-17 and Under-18, for whom he scored a century against the touring Indian Under-19 side, before being selected to tour the West Indies with England Under-19.

Wins v: Hampton XI; St James; Halliford; St Mark's; Ealing C.; Latymer; John Lyon; Latymer Upper; Weald C.; Christ's C.; Old Isleworthians; Heathlands.

Batting—O. A. Shah 8-3-510-119-2-102.00; *B. M. Goldsby 13-8-307-91*-0-61.40; M. A. Khan 11-7-183-52-0-45.75; W. S. Bokhari 10-4-256-55*-0-42.66; A. A. Khan 10-2-247-70-0-30.87; N. S. Ahmed 11-0-240-60-0-21.81.

Bowling—B. M. Goldsby 142.3-35-454-37-5/57-12.27; W. S. Bokhari 100.1-14-368-24-6/49-15.33.

THE JOHN LYON SCHOOL

Played 19: Won 6, Lost 4, Drawn 9. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: I. R. Parker

Cricket professional: A. R. G. Fraser

Wins v: Middlesex Colts; Drayton; Teddington; Richmond; Queen Elizabeth's, Barnet; Christ's C.

Batting—R. A. Holgate 19-5-690-95-0-49.28; N. B. Patel 14-1-358-106*-1-27.53; M. C. Ball 17-2-364-55*-0-24.26; K. S. Merali 15-2-176-39-0-13.53; J. P. Welch 13-0-157-54-0-12.07.

Bowling—J. P. Welch 168.4-41-442-30-5/12-14.73; N. B. Patel 140.4-29-393-20-5/63-19.65; K. S. Merali 138.5-19-454-20-3/21-22.70.

KELLY COLLEGE

Played 11: Won 3, Lost 3, Drawn 5

Master i/c: G. C. L. Cooper

Wins v: Devon Dumplings; Richard Huish; Grenville.

Batting—*D. S. Edwards 11-2-499-108*-2-55.44; J. L. Roué 11-1-420-102-1-42.00; R. G. Goldring 10-1-296-80-0-32.88.

Bowling—T. Doubell 88.3-16-312-23-5/15-13.56.

KIMBOLTON SCHOOL

Played 22: Won 11, Lost 1, Drawn 10. Abandoned 2

Master i/c: R. P. Merriman

Cricket professional: M. E. Latham

Kimbolton's most successful season ever saw them win 11 matches, losing only once, and winning the Inter-Schools Festival. Bradley Robinson, with 911 runs, and Paul Pippard, with 701, were particularly prolific and set a record third-wicket partnership of 194 unbroken. Robinson scored an unbeaten century against the New South Wales Antipodeans, while Dominic Ford did so at the expense of Berkhamsted in a record total of 307 for five. Rupesh Kanani and Jeremy Follett led an effective seam attack, while Pippard was the dominant spinner.

Wins v: R. P. Merriman's XI; Leicestershire Gentlemen; Bedford Modern; XL Club; Old Kimboltonians; Antipodeans, New South Wales; Wisbech GS; The Perse; Berkhamsted; Framlingham; Winchester.

Batting—B. I. Robinson 21-4-911-104*-1-53.58; P. S. Pippard 18-4-701-95*-0-50.07; *J. P. Latham 17-7-374-44-0-37.40; D. R. Ford 19-3-459-109*-1-28.68; A. J. Scott 19-4-361-80*-0-24.06; R. K. Kanani 18-3-321-65-0-21.40.

Bowling—J. C. R. Follett 195.3-45-673-32-6/22-21.03; J. P. Latham 213.5-45-637-24-4/75-26.54; R. K. Kanani 212.1-27-890-33-4/40-26.96; R. A. Beadles 149-22-565-19-3/40-29.73.

KING EDWARD VI COLLEGE, STOURBRIDGE

Played 11: Won 1, Lost 7, Drawn 3. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: R. A. Williams

Win v: XL Club.

Batting—R. T. Crowley 9-0-312-96-0-34.66; *M. J. Porter 9-1-294-91*-0-36.75.

Bowling—No bowler took 15 wickets. The leading bowler was A. J. Turner 68-4-364-14-4/46-26.00.

KING EDWARD VI SCHOOL, SOUTHAMPTON*Played 21: Won 6, Lost 5, Drawn 10. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: R. J. Putt

In a season when four batsmen passed 500 runs, the averages were headed by the 1993 England Under-14 captain, John Claughton, nephew of J. A. Claughton, formerly of Warwickshire and Oxford University and currently in charge of cricket at Eton.

Wins v: Brockenhurst C.; Queen Mary's; Peter Symonds; The Staff; Farnborough C.; Taunton's.

Batting—J. A. Claughton 13-2-510-104*-1-46.36; T. R. Osman 19-2-569-92-0-33.47; *M. Holden 21-1-617-101*-1-30.85; M. W. Masters 19-0-558-83-0-29.36; C. F. Craft 20-3-316-66-0-18.58; M. R. Vallance 16-2-257-36-0-18.35.

Bowling—S. R. G. Francis 141-40-364-31-4/21-11.74; A. T. Hill 104.1-11-474-23-5/58-20.60; S. J. Andrews 189.5-37-619-26-4/29-23.80; D. R. Baxendale 185-34-636-19-3/42-33.47.

KING EDWARD VII SCHOOL, LYTHAM*Played 19: Won 9, Lost 4, Drawn 6. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: A. M. Weston

The side developed well to achieve a record nine wins. They were admirably captained by D. J. Tomlinson, who made a major all-round contribution with 623 runs and 46 wickets. Two young batsmen, J. A. Kok and M. R. Moore, showed promise with the bat.

Wins v: QEGS, Blackburn; Burnley Habersham; King William's, IOM; Stockport GS; St Mary's, Crosby; Lidunians; Kirkham; Latymer Upper; Woodbridge.

Batting—*D. J. Tomlinson 19-2-623-75*-0-36.64; J. A. Kok 8-1-246-94-0-35.14; M. R. Moore 19-0-538-63-0-28.31; R. J. Macauley 17-1-300-55-0-18.75; R. B. Postlethwaite 17-4-195-46-0-15.00.

Bowling—C. J. Scott 68.1-12-225-17-6/17-13.23; D. J. Tomlinson 241-55-730-46-5/24-15.86; R. J. Thomas 158.1-19-647-28-6/64-23.10.

KING EDWARD'S SCHOOL, BIRMINGHAM*Played 24: Won 13, Lost 3, Drawn 8. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: M. D. Stead

Cricket professional: J. Huband

Anurag Singh and Mark Wagh both passed 800 runs, with four and two centuries respectively. They both played for Warwickshire Second XI, Wagh also played for NAYC and England Under-18, and Singh represented MCC Schools, NCA Young Cricketers and the Development of Excellence XI.

Wins v: King Edward's, Stourbridge; Denstone; King Henry VIII, Coventry; Solihull; Shrewsbury; Warwick; King's, Worcester; Loughborough GS; Malvern; Wolverhampton GS; Kestrels; King Edward's, Aston; XL Club.

Batting—M. A. Wagh 16-6-831-111*-2-83.10; *A. Singh 14-3-875-146*-4-79.54; T. Robinson 22-5-670-101*-1-39.41; A. P. Blaikley 20-2-545-69-0-30.27; A. R. Chitre 16-4-288-58*-0-24.00; M. S. Kazi 15-5-189-75-0-18.90; S. K. Mallela 11-1-175-40-0-17.50.

Bowling—A. P. Blaikley 74-13-250-17-5/8-14.70; M. A. Wagh 249.5-52-824-35-5/20-23.54; S. Y. Khan 173.4-21-629-24-3/17-26.20; A. Singh 114.1-23-408-15-6/26-27.20; M. C. J. Royle 144-21-588-20-4/13-29.40; M. S. Kazi 125-14-539-16-5/43-33.68.

KING HENRY VIII SCHOOL, COVENTRY*Played 16: Won 5, Lost 3, Drawn 8. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: A. M. Parker

Wins v: King Edward's, Stourbridge; Old Swinford Hospital S.; Bablake; XL Club; King Edward's, Aston.

Batting—*J. D. Ham 15-3-567-84-0-47.25; T. A. Oldham 16-3-383-69*-0-29.46; A. Senghera 11-3-228-74*-0-28.50; R. Blundell 15-3-312-64*-0-26.00; S. White 11-4-167-51*-0-23.85; K. Knights 13-0-156-50-0-12.00.

Bowling—K. Knights 122-32-395-25-7/31-15.80; R. Blundell 120.5-27-384-23-4/34-16.69; R. Quinn 113-23-340-16-4/25-21.25.

KING'S COLLEGE, TAUNTON*Played 15: Won 3, Lost 4, Drawn 8. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: R. J. R. Yeates

Cricket professional: D. Breakwell

With many players making a contribution, it was a promising season – especially for N. R. Boulton, who is expected to be in the XI for another four years.

Wins v: Wellington; Monmouth; Blundell's.

Batting—C. J. D. Ross 7-3-171-66-0-42.75; A. T. Dart 14-0-575-94-0-41.07; N. R. Boulton 14-0-552-144-1-39.42; B. W. Hiles 11-1-324-73-0-32.40; S. H. Diment 12-2-272-49-0-27.20; P. J. R. Chappell 12-4-193-60-0-24.12; *M. J. Wrout 13-1-279-60-0-23.25.

Bowling—S. H. Diment 234-44-723-33-6/32-21.90; T. W. J. Farley 123.5-21-426-18-6/33-23.66; D. J. Bostock 117-27-388-16-5/31-24.25.

KING'S COLLEGE SCHOOL, WIMBLEDON*Played 22: Won 16, Lost 3, Drawn 3. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: G. C. McGinn

Cricket professional: L. J. Moody

It was another outstanding year, in which 16 of 22 matches were won, nine consecutively. David Gorrod led by example with both bat and ball and scored his maiden century to secure victory over Elizabeth College, Guernsey. The season culminated in a successful tour to Antigua and St Lucia, where four of six matches were won, including that against Antigua Under-19.

Wins v: Wimbledon CC; Tiffin; Sutton HS; Kingston GS; Archbishop Tennison; UCS Hampstead; Strode C.; KCS Old Boys; King's, Canterbury; City of London; Surrey YC; Elizabeth C., Guernsey; Antigua U-19; Antigua Schools U-18; Clendon GS, St Lucia; St Lucia Northern Schools.

Batting—*D. E. Gorrod 22-2-724-111*-1-36.20; P. J. D. Redwood 22-3-669-127*-1-35.21; R. Sleigh 22-1-666-98*-0-31.71; S. A. L. Pervaz 19-6-351-55*-0-27.00; L. A. Whitaker 15-2-292-75*-0-22.46; O. B. Gobat 16-4-269-50*-0-22.41.

Bowling—S. M. Sheikh 116.1-18-372-26-6/29-14.30; M. J. M. Costello 212-39-689-47-4/20-14.65; D. E. Gorrod 203.5-36-593-37-4/19-16.02; O. B. Gobat 152.4-23-484-30-5/34-16.13.

KING'S SCHOOL, BRUTON*Played 12: Won 5, Lost 3, Drawn 4. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: P. Platts-Martin

Cricket professional: N. J. Lockhart

Highlights were the eight-wicket win over Sherborne and the fine all-round performances of Oliver Fowlston, who shared with James Rooke in a third-wicket stand of 221 in 27.3 overs against Monkton Combe.

Wins v: MCC; Headmaster's XI; Sherborne; Old Boys; Downside.

Batting—*O. R. Fowlston 12-2-570-123-2-57.00; J. E. K. Rooke 12-3-297-102*-1-33.00; J. A. Weir 12-1-313-61-0-28.45; C. B. Higgins 10-1-161-48-0-17.88.

Bowling—O. R. Fowlston 141.1-40-421-25-6/45-16.84; J. P. Thomas 142.3-30-387-20-4/47-19.35.

THE KING'S SCHOOL, CANTERBURY*Played 11: Won 2, Lost 2, Drawn 7. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: A. W. Dyer

Cricket professional: A. G. E. Ealham

The match against the Band of Brothers was a particularly memorable one for Chris North, a colt: batting at No. 4, he scored 96 and then took seven for 39 with his leg-spin.

Wins v: Dover C.; Sutton Valence.

Batting—Q. Wiseman 9-2-264-68*-0-37.71; J. W. Lewis-Jones 10-1-317-97-0-35.22; C. M. North 9-0-248-96-0-27.55.

Bowling—C. M. North 105.2-17-367-23-7/39-15.95; A. R. Wilson 144.1-34-425-22-4/25-19.31.

THE KING'S SCHOOL, CHESTER*Played 18: Won 10, Lost 5, Drawn 3. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: K. H. Mellor

Wins v: Sandbach; Oswestry; St David's; Wolverhampton GS; Coleraine; XL Club; MCC; Liverpool C.; Aldenham; OKS.

Batting—R. J. Falconer 17-5-692-96-0-57.66; P. R. T. Brotherhood 16-2-386-96*-0-27.57; D. E. Atkin 15-4-302-79*-0-27.45; S. J. McCormick 14-1-254-60*-0-19.53; C. J. Evans 17-0-317-78-0-18.64; K. J. Ollier 17-1-298-63-0-18.62; I. D. Tatt 14-4-186-54*-0-18.60.

Bowling—D. E. Atkin 183-62-451-40-7/29-11.27; B. K. Smith 107-22-374-23-5/33-16.26; A. J. Douglas 150-39-460-24-3/9-19.16; J. N. A. Cornelius 160-30-555-23-4/24-24.13.

THE KING'S SCHOOL, ELY*Played 17: Won 5, Lost 2, Drawn 10. Abandoned 3*

Masters i/c: C. J. Limb and W. S. Marshall

Cricket professional: T. G. A. Morley

Undeclared by schools, the side retained the Cambridgeshire Schools Under-19 Cup.

Wins v: King Edward VII HS, King's Lynn; Newport FGS; King's, Peterborough; Wisbech GS; Enzymes.

Batting—M. C. Parker 14-3-505-94-0-45.90; C. W. Kisby 14-3-260-56*-0-23.63; I. P. N. Haigh 14-2-209-36-0-17.41; C. D. Marshall 15-1-241-39-0-17.21; D. J. Nye 15-0-228-38-0-15.20; D. J. Parker 12-1-162-49*-0-14.72.

Bowling—C. W. Kisby 61.5-7-223-18-4/10-12.38; D. J. Parker 103.5-17-301-24-5/45-12.54; M. C. Parker 113-24-343-17-4/40-20.17.

THE KING'S SCHOOL, MACCLESFIELD*Played 22: Won 7, Lost 4, Drawn 11*

Master i/c: D. M. Harbord

Cricket professional: S. Moores

An inexperienced side did well to record seven victories, five of which were achieved when batting second. Opening batsmen Andrew Bones and Stephen Mitchell put on 203 against Arnold School and 228 against King's, Chester, who were beaten by ten wickets. Bones and his brother Robin, the captain, both passed 500 runs.

Wins v: Bury GS; Arnold; King's, Chester; Staff XI; Newcastle-Under-Lyme; Hull U.; Brighton.

Batting—A. S. Bones 19-2-686-129*-1-40.35; *R. J. Bones 19-5-564-73*-0-40.28; S. D. Gatie 13-3-332-108*-1-33.20; S. R. Mitchell 19-3-471-126*-1-29.43; M. J. Patterson 11-3-163-33*-0-20.37; J. Farshchi 15-2-227-42-0-17.46.

Bowling—P. M. Daniels 207-39-693-26-4/42-26.65; J. Farshchi 194-24-890-31-4/22-28.70; N. M. Mason 172-19-686-23-3/26-29.82; A. J. Wheeler 149-28-511-17-5/60-30.05.

KING'S SCHOOL, WORCESTER*Played 22: Won 8, Lost 6, Drawn 8. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: D. P. Iddon

Tom Bawden bowled genuinely fast on occasions, his 44 wickets taking his tally for four years in the XI to 130.

Wins v: Dean Close; Monmouth; RGS, Worcester; Worcestershire CCC Club and Ground; XL Club; Victoria C.; Reigate; Victoriana XI.

Batting—A. Fiaz 22-3-834-101*-1-43.89; L. R. Chivers 14-3-396-80-0-36.00; C. W. Gough 22-1-555-135-1-26.42; E. M. Oliver 12-2-255-39*-0-25.50; S. R. Thomas 12-2-211-52*-0-21.10; *T. P. Bawden 16-3-255-85-0-19.61; T. A. Morris 20-0-277-51-0-13.85.

Bowling—T. P. Bawden 242.4-52-769-44-7/48-17.47; C. W. Gough 106.2-21-434-22-4/23-19.72; M. Rowan 174.3-34-570-20-4/29-28.50.

KING WILLIAM'S COLLEGE*Played 11: Won 2, Lost 4, Drawn 5*

Master i/c: A. Maree

Cricket professional: D. Mark

Wins v: St Ambrose; Aldenham.

Batting—G. White 11-2-529-114-2-58.77.

Bowling—G. White 100-32-258-23-7/38-11.21.

KINGSTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL*Played 15: Won 3, Lost 7, Drawn 5. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: J. A. Royce

Cricket professional: C. Mutucumarawa

Wins v: Sutton GS; Teddington CC; Hampton Wick Royal CC.

Batting—C. W. Ross 11-0-293-65-0-26.63; D. J. S. Roberts 14-1-334-112-1-25.69; *C. J. Lipscomb 14-2-274-65-0-22.83; L. D. Garrard 11-1-155-63*-0-15.50; S. Lyon 14-1-177-60-0-13.61.

Bowling—P. W. Anderson 113.5-1-516-18-6/52-28.66; S. Lyon 135.4-15-525-18-6/65-29.16.

LANGLEY PARK SCHOOL*Played 9: Won 3, Lost 3, Drawn 3*

Master i/c: C. H. Williams

Wins v: Royal Russell; St Columba; Maidstone GS.*Batting—**J. Evans 9-3-370-121*-1-61.66; G. Butler 7-1-168-39-0-28.00; G. Smith 8-0-166-87-0-20.75.*Bowling—*D. Montefusco 71.2-12-207-15-6/34-13.80.**LATYMER UPPER SCHOOL***Played 18: Won 2, Lost 5, Drawn 11. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: G. W. L. Bearman

Cricket professional: K. L. Mayers

Wins v: Lord Williams's; New South Wales U-18 Select XI.*Batting—*M. H. Pryor 18-2-550-97-0-34.37; *L. G. Buchanan 18-3-276-49*-0-18.40; J. E. Woolard 17-3-237-53*-0-16.92; J. D. Hall 16-0-210-36-0-13.12; J. C. Hedges 14-1-163-52-0-12.53; A. Thein 18-0-185-50-0-10.27.*Bowling—*M. H. Pryor 169-39-385-29-4/20-13.27.**LEEDS GRAMMAR SCHOOL***Played 14: Won 2, Lost 1, Drawn 11. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: R. Hill

Although they were undefeated by schools, the team's bowling was not penetrative enough to force victory from promising positions.

Wins v: Pocklington; Past XI.*Batting—*J. S. Wood 15-1-507-102*-1-36.21; O. T. Robertson 13-1-408-83-0-34.00; T. C. N. Golby 13-5-261-85-0-32.62; D. L. Peters 9-0-156-34-0-17.33; M. N. Richmond 13-0-225-61-0-17.30; B. Patel 12-0-185-52-0-15.41; P. J. Miller 12-2-150-30-0-15.00.*Bowling—*D. P. Butler 124-5-427-21-5/55-20.33; B. Williams 137-26-383-17-3/25-22.52; *T. E. Limbert 171-31-610-25-4/42-24.40.**LEIGHTON PARK SCHOOL***Played 7: Won 3, Lost 1, Drawn 3. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: M. J. Morris

Characterised by enthusiasm and competitiveness, the side were well led by Dan Paton in an enjoyable and successful season. Tom Rose was a fine prospect and with Nick Torry against Bearwood put on 166 for the first wicket, which is believed to be a school record.

Wins v: Reading Blue Coats; Michael Beer's XI; Old Leightonians.*Batting—*T. W. M. Rose 6-1-275-95*-0-55.00; N. J. Torry 7-1-190-100*-1-31.66.*Bowling—**D. T. Paton 98.3-13-359-15-4/48-23.93.**LLANDOVERY COLLEGE***Played 11: Won 4, Lost 3, Drawn 4*

Master i/c: T. G. Marks

The all-rounder Shaun Howells was ably supported in both departments by Edward Evans, who bowled accurately and batted aggressively. A highlight was the 119-run win over Ruthin, in which Howells made a half-century and took five wickets.

Wins v: Dyfed Schools U-15; Llandovery CC; Ruthin; Gowerton President's XI.*Batting—*S. C. Howells 8-3-294-75*-0-58.80; E. Evans 8-3-224-66*-0-44.80; R. T. Davies 11-2-254-54*-0-28.22; *G. A. Watts 8-1-183-46*-0-26.14.*Bowling—*E. Evans 83-14-213-22-6/46-9.68; S. C. Howells 90-25-241-20-6/34-12.05.**LORD WANDSWORTH COLLEGE***Played 14: Won 4, Lost 2, Drawn 8. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: M. C. Russell

In a season featuring a fine team performance, the captain, David Thomas, led by example to dominate the averages. A highlight was his 121 against Reed's, when he reached his century from 58 balls. Mark Palmer was an excellent spinner and against St Bartholomew's, Newbury, took a hat-trick, all stumped by stand-in wicket-keeper Colin Walker – a feat achieved only once in first-class cricket, by W. H. Brain off C. L. Townsend in 1893. Walker, in his first season, proved to be a talented batsman, while with the ball Richard Morgan was an effective foil to Thomas, swinging the ball and finding edges.

Wins v: 12 Star, Brussels; Shiplake; KES, Witley; Reed's.*Batting—**D. M. Thomas 13-4-598-121-2-66.44; J. M. Palmer 10-3-233-52*-0-33.28; C. J. Walker 12-4-228-60*-0-28.50; S. J. Butler 12-2-254-65-0-25.40; D. I. Holman 10-2-154-45*-0-19.25.*Bowling—*D. M. Thomas 154.2-47-344-31-5/20-11.09; J. M. Palmer 89.4-16-410-26-5/12-15.76; R. A. G. R. Morgan 129.4-21-489-22-6/15-22.22.**LORD WILLIAMS'S SCHOOL***Played 12: Won 2, Lost 4, Drawn 6*

Master i/c: J. E. Fulkes

A young side gained useful experience. Daniel Bennett's 102 not out against Magdalen College School was the XI's first century for three years.

Wins v: Rycotewood C.; Royal Latin S.*Batting—*D. Bennett 10-1-236-102*-1-26.22; S. Whittam 11-3-188-48*-0-23.50.*Bowling—*A. Lewis 98.1-17-346-20-4/31-17.30; S. Whittam 78-6-392-15-4/26-26.13.**LORETTO SCHOOL***Played 18: Won 6, Lost 6, Drawn 6. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: R. P. Whait

Wins v: Strathallan; Kelvinside Acad.; Fettes; Ardingly; Scottish Wayfarers; Old Lorettonians.

Batting—A. G. Shaw 14-5-428-86-0-47.55; R. A. G. Grant 17-1-385-60*-0-24.06; *R. S. F. Steenberg 16-4-279-56-0-23.25; A. G. Fleming-Brown 13-0-293-66-0-22.53.

Bowling—A. G. Shaw 223.4-42-553-36-7/28-15.36; R. A. G. Grant 89.3-7-306-18-7/55-17.00; S. J. Murray 125.4-31-329-15-4/47-21.93; P. J. Middlemiss 133-27-498-18-4/34-27.66.

LOUGHBOROUGH GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Played 17: Won 5, Lost 2, Drawn 10. Abandoned 3

Master i/c: J. S. Weitzel

Two days after beating MCC with a total of 268 for eight – their second-highest to win a match batting second – the side compiled a record total of 296 for three, batting first against the Old Boys. Left-arm spinner Michael Davies played for English Schools and MCC Schools.

Wins v: Bablake; RGS, Worcester; Warwick; Antipodeans, New South Wales; MCC.

Batting—D. P. Reddyhough 11-3-327-92-0-40.87; R. G. H. Widdowson 17-3-560-107*-1-40.00; J. F. C. Young 16-1-503-109-2-33.53; R. A. J. Parkin 16-2-430-99-0-30.71; M. K. Davies 14-2-285-70-0-23.75; A. Fenn 9-2-155-53-0-22.14.

Bowling—M. K. Davies 216-48-632-34-5/49-18.58; M. J. Simpson 136-23-564-20-4/24-28.20.

MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL

Played 18: Won 5, Lost 1, Drawn 12. Abandoned 4

Master i/c: P. Askew

Wins v: RGS, High Wycombe; King Edward VI, Southampton; South Oxfordshire Amateurs; Pocklington; Chigwell.

Batting—*W. W. Hopkin 17-2-457-83*-0-30.46; P. J. Denning 16-4-343-64-0-28.58; A. J. Stiff 18-3-428-78-0-28.53; S. M. Ison 16-0-425-102-1-26.56; A. Booth 16-3-330-48-0-25.38; S. R. Sharpe 19-3-382-57-0-23.87; D. D. Harris 15-2-178-39-0-13.69.

Bowling—S. R. Sharpe 119-16-449-22-5/21-20.40; B. Bradshaw 110-20-350-17-5/38-20.58; N. J. Carlsen 150-29-510-21-5/40-24.28; A. Booth 221-21-976-35-6/53-27.88.

MALVERN COLLEGE

Played 7: Won 3, Lost 1, Drawn 3. Abandoned 4

Master i/c: A. J. Murtagh

Cricket professional: R. W. Tolchard

The wicket-keeper was Dan Walker, son of the Glamorgan and England all-rounder, P. M. Walker.

Wins v: Warwick; Monmouth; Exeter.

Batting—*J. Robbins 17-5-519-100*-1-43.25; J. Morgan 15-2-392-87-0-30.15; G. Franklin 14-2-313-85-0-26.08; S. Varney 14-3-283-53-0-25.72; S. Peachey 13-0-278-50-0-21.38; J. Horton 15-0-313-58-0-20.86.

Bowling—S. Peachey 110-25-311-17-5/36-18.29; W. Gilroy 136-26-435-21-4/35-20.71; G. Franklin 170-35-555-20-6/44-27.75.

MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Played 22: Won 6, Lost 4, Drawn 12

Master i/c: D. Moss

Despite suffering surprisingly little interference from the weather, the experienced XI had a less successful season than had been expected. They began with the school's first overseas tour to Barbados in December and finished with an equally enjoyable end-of-term international festival at Tonbridge School. The batting was again strong, with seven batsmen scoring fifties and two centuries each from Lee Marland and Mark Chilton. Robert Salisbury's unorthodox style produced some quick middle-order runs and Stephen Hall took over as Marland's opening partner after Scott Richardson was injured. The emergence of left-arm seamer John O'Loughlin added to the options in that department, but the spin attack was less impressive. Marland went on to play for NAYC and Lancashire and Nottinghamshire Second XIs.

Wins v: Bolton S.; Liverpool C.; King Edward VII, Lytham; St Ambrose; Pocklington; Worksop C.

Batting—M. J. Chilton 19-5-824-107*-2-58.85; *L. J. Marland 18-4-776-122-2-55.42; S. A. Richardson 11-2-387-98*-0-43.00; R. J. Salisbury 15-7-334-71-0-41.75; S. R. Hall 12-0-287-65-0-23.91; P. D. Knott 19-3-328-57-0-20.50; D. S. Marks 16-4-233-45-0-19.41.

Bowling—J. A. O'Loughlin 157-41-436-26-5/11-16.76; C. W. Fogg 111.5-26-328-17-3/22-19.29; D. S. Marks 89.4-18-324-16-4/4-20.25; R. M. Bipul 125.1-28-357-17-3/30-21.00; M. J. Chilton 171.1-36-521-23-3/14-22.65; L. J. Marland 181-42-566-21-3/20-26.95.

MARLBOROUGH COLLEGE

Played 12: Won 2, Lost 2, Drawn 8. Abandoned 4

Master i/c: R. B. Pick

Cricket professional: R. M. Ratcliffe

More than half the scheduled matches were affected by the weather, with no match completed in May. A highlight was a century off 73 balls against Rugby by Lee Ratcliffe, son of R. M. Ratcliffe of Lancashire, who showed exceptional form with both bat and ball and was selected for England Under-17. Tom and Seth Holmes were the first brothers since 1968 to appear together in the XI.

Wins v: Romany; XL Club.

Batting—L. J. Ratcliffe 13-2-650-133*-4-59.09; G. Murgai 11-2-323-91-0-35.88; U. B. Singh 10-3-216-118*-1-30.85; A. M. Wade 10-1-242-105*-1-26.88; *C. A. Gough 9-0-168-79-0-18.66.

Bowling—L. J. Ratcliffe 175.4-42-422-23-5/37-18.34; G. Murgai 68-9-281-15-5/12-18.73.

MERCHANT TAYLORS' SCHOOL, CROSBY

Played 18: Won 4, Lost 1, Drawn 13. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: Rev. D. A. Smith

Cricket professional: G. Dros

It was a season of post-war records for the side, whose top five batsmen all scored more than 300 runs for the first time since 1932. The opening partnership of 209 against St Mary's, Crosby, between Guy Edwards (129) and Matthew Wilson (76 not out) beat all existing records for any wicket. There were three other century partnerships, the total of four being the most since 1933. Edwards went on to make three more centuries in succession (all unbeaten), which was almost certainly a first for the school. He hit 101 not out against the XL Club, 105 not out against Scotch College, Melbourne, and 100 not out against Hulme GS. The bowling was headed by Philip Janson in his last year with the XI.

Wins v: Liverpool C.; Northern Nomads; XL Club; Hulme GS.

Batting—*G. A. Edwards 16-4-630-129-4-52.50; N. C. Delaney 14-3-410-70-0-37.27; T. M. Wilson 17-5-334-76*-0-27.83; G. R. Ball 14-3-304-69-0-27.63; S. B. Howard 16-2-380-72*-0-27.14.

Bowling—P. H. Janson 163-45-448-34-6/29-13.17; N. C. Delaney 144-40-371-20-3/27-18.55.

MERCHANT TAYLORS' SCHOOL, NORTHWOOD

Played 21: Won 9, Lost 1, Drawn 11, Abandoned 2

Master i/c: W. M. B. Ritchie

Cricket professional: H. C. Latchman

Unbeaten by schools, the young XI lost only to MCC and won nine matches. Two players were outstanding: opening bat Daniel Grundy scored nearly twice as many runs as the next batsman, while the lively medium pace of Paul Harris brought him 43 wickets, more than twice as many as anyone else. Others showed promise, including Amritt Latchman, a left-handed batsman and leg-spin bowler, who is the son of H. C. Latchman of Middlesex and Nottinghamshire. A tour to Malaysia was planned for 1995.

Wins v: Latymer Upper; St John's C., Oxford; Highgate; Felsted; Dulwich; Berkhamsted; Westminster; Loretto; Ardingly.

Batting—D. J. Grundy 18-4-793-114*-2-56.64; E. N. Lamb 9-4-229-48*-0-45.80; P. D. C. Wise 10-2-320-62-0-40.00; P. V. Harris 15-6-337-86*-0-37.44; A. C. Thorpe 18-5-411-80-0-31.61; A. Latchman 13-3-267-67-0-26.70; *P. Parekh 20-2-276-90-0-15.33.

Bowling—P. V. Harris 204-49-521-43-7/26-12.11; A. Latchman 125.4-29-358-21-4/16-17.04; N. P. Sapra 131-39-334-18-4/27-18.55.

MERCHISTON CASTLE SCHOOL

Played 16: Won 8, Lost 6, Drawn 2

Master i/c: C. W. Swan

Wins v: Dollar Acad.; Merchistonians; Dundee HS; Strathallan; RGS, Newcastle; Edinburgh Acad.; Fettes; South District U-16.

Batting—A. J. Scott 15-5-440-90*-0-44.00; J. N. Mackley 15-3-366-76*-0-30.50; G. F. A. Milligan 11-4-173-52*-0-24.71; D. B. Finlay 11-0-254-64-0-23.09; G. M. English 14-1-277-52*-0-21.30; C. M. R. Tulloch 14-2-219-69-0-18.25.

Bowling—E. J. W. Weston 67-16-182-16-6/20-11.37; A. P. Paterson 161-39-383-32-5/14-11.96; G. F. A. Milligan 142-37-376-23-4/19-16.34; E. J. Mackie 166-49-426-22-5/22-19.36; J. G. D. Gordon 109-18-346-15-3/26-23.06.

MILL HILL SCHOOL

Played 17: Won 6, Lost 4, Drawn 7

Master i/c: S. T. Plummer

Cricket professional: I. J. F. Hutchinson

Wins v: Millers CC; Queen Elizabeth, Barnet; Old Millhillians; UCS, Hampstead; Queen's, Taunton; Enfield GS.

Batting—J. L. Goldberg 17-3-488-90-0-34.85; D. L. Goodwin 18-1-565-113*-2-33.23; S. A. Selwood 15-3-382-95-0-31.83; T. P. Russell 10-1-166-44-0-18.44; S. Sandhu 12-0-189-27-0-15.75.

Bowling—A. M. Akram 143-34-411-30-8/28-13.70; S. A. Selwood 86-19-286-18-5/38-15.88; R. J. Peach 99-22-332-17-7/35-19.52; L. J. Baldwin 157-23-570-21-4/41-27.14.

MILLFIELD SCHOOL

Played 13: Won 7, Lost 1, Drawn 5, Abandoned 2

Master i/c: A. D. Curtis

Cricket professional: G. C. Wilson

A winter tour to Sri Lanka preceded a successful season. Paul Mitchell, who has represented Young Zimbabwe, scored three centuries and played for English Schools and MCC Schools, as did Dean Cosker, who also played for Somerset Second XI. Left-arm spinner Ben McCorkill took the most wickets, passing 40 for the second season, and played for England Under-17, while Kevin Barrett and the wicket-keeper, Richard Evans, represented Welsh Schools.

Wins v: Exeter U.; King's, Taunton; Downside; Free Foresters; Monmouth; XL Club; Gloucester CCC II.

Batting—*P. M. Mitchell 16-3-686-124*-3-52.76; L. Sutton 16-3-605-177*-1-46.53; J. P. Hart 13-4-398-65*-0-44.22; K. A. O. Barrett 16-4-378-50*-0-31.50; T. D. Martin 10-1-196-61-0-21.77.

Bowling—D. A. Cosker 217.5-69-559-34-4/24-16.44; B. M. McCorkill 272.1-76-786-41-5/10-19.17; J. P. Hart 166.4-29-558-16-4/32-34.87.

MILTON ABBEY SCHOOL

Played 8: Won 5, Lost 2, Drawn 1, Abandoned 1

Master i/c: P. W. Wood

Wins v: Poole GS; XL Club; Agrarians; Allhallows; P. Salmon's XI.

Batting—*N. K. G. Tomlin 8-0-192-50-0-24.00; F. Gibson 8-1-151-48-0-21.57.

Bowling—J. N. Butler 102.3-24-249-26-5/15-9.57; G. Fox 69.3-13-238-18-5/40-13.22.

MONMOUTH SCHOOL

Played 19: Won 3, Lost 8, Drawn 8, Abandoned 3

Master i/c: D. H. Messenger

Cricket professional: G. I. Burgess

A hitherto undistinguished season blossomed at the Winchester Festival, where a record total of 315 for seven inflicted on Kimbolton their only defeat of the season. The foundation of this innings was an opening partnership of 166 between Jonathan Hughes (93) and the captain, Huw Sullivan (66). Hughes, the wicket-keeper, took his tally of victims in two seasons to 59 and opening bowler Paul Davies completed five years in the XI with 99 wickets to his name. His opening partner, Ben Morgan, played for England Under-17.

Wins v: Gloucester Gypsies; Kimbolton; Winchester.

Batting—J. T. Goodwin 18-3-546-76-0-36.40; J. N. Hern 18-3-535-84-0-35.66; M. M. Brogan 11-0-338-83-0-30.72; J. A. Hughes 18-0-498-93-0-27.66; I. J. Plumley 14-4-243-43-0-24.30; *H. R. Sullivan 12-1-166-66-0-15.09.

Bowling—B. M. Morgan 179.3-44-512-21-4/44-24.38; P. W. Davies 146-25-442-18-3/11-24.55; I. J. Plumley 137.2-28-505-18-4/32-28.05.

NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME SCHOOL*Played 16: Won 5, Lost 5, Drawn 6. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: S. A. Robson

Cricket professional: T. Fielding

A young side had a mixed season in which they lost a record five times. However, the batting of P. D. A. Turner was a revelation and his spectacular contributions were a major factor in the five victories. Against Tettenhall College, he scored 108 not out and with A. D. Sims (25 not out) put on a record 114 unbroken for the seventh wicket. In beating Wolverhampton GS he scored 82 of the last 129 runs off the final 11 overs and his 113 not out against Mount St Mary's included eight sixes and 12 fours, his second fifty coming from just 11 scoring strokes. Although the bowling was sometimes wayward, the catching was reliable.

Wins v: Bishop Vesey's GS; Tettenhall C.; Wolverhampton GS; Mount St Mary's; Sandbach S.

Batting—P. D. A. Turner 15-5-627-113*-2-62.70; *R. J. Pointon 12-2-241-60*-0-24.10.

Bowling—J. R. Voce 108-27-326-16-5/14-20.37; C. D. Moss 159-27-610-18-6/36-33.88.

NOTTINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL*Played 16: Won 2, Lost 3, Drawn 11. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: J. Lamb

Cricket professional: K. Poole

Highlights were the batting of David Smit – brother of the England women's wicket-keeper – who scored nearly twice as many runs as the next batsman, and a maiden century by 14-year-old Andrew Hunt, who averaged 100.50 in his five innings.

Wins v: Bishop Vesey's GS; Forest Amateurs.

Batting—A. J. Hunt 5-3-201-115*-1-100.50; *D. Smit 13-2-633-157*-2-57.54; J. L. Rayner 12-4-319-56-0-39.87; M. A. Fletcher 9-5-152-45*-0-38.00; P. M. Dunn 11-0-292-100-1-26.54; C. J. Freeston 12-2-258-51-0-25.80; T. W. B. Coupe 12-1-239-61-0-21.72.

Bowling—A. R. Carden 141.5-32-406-26-6/21-15.61.

OAKHAM SCHOOL*Played 18: Won 6, Lost 0, Drawn 11, Tied 1*

Master i/c: J. Wills

Cricket professional: D. S. Steele

Unbeaten, and victorious in a third of their matches, Oakham owed much to the captain, James Bull, who headed the averages. He ended his career in the XI with 2,224 runs and 84 wickets, while Cristian Durant, who continued to excel behind the stumps, set a new career record of 73 dismissals.

Wins v: Worksoy; Bromsgrove; Stamford; Ratcliffe; Lincolnshire Gentlemen; MCC.

Batting—*J. J. Bull 16-2-699-101*-1-49.92; R. A. E. Martin 12-3-319-67-0-35.44; C. D. Durant 13-4-287-76*-0-31.88; A. M. James 12-6-181-37*-0-30.16; S. H. Greenwood 11-0-311-58-0-28.27; M. R. K. Bailey 13-1-256-52-0-21.33.

Bowling—J. J. Bull 170.3-46-427-30-7/53-14.23; A. M. James 202.1-48-549-38-6/39-14.44; O. J. C. Marshall 141-38-404-16-4/27-25.25.

THE ORATORY SCHOOL*Played 16: Won 9, Lost 1, Drawn 6. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: P. L. Tomlinson

Cricket professional: J. B. K. Howell

Playing positive cricket, the XI won nine matches and were only a wicket away from victory in three of the draws. James Tomlinson was an excellent captain, while his younger brother, Steven, headed the averages with 564 runs and 35 wickets.

Wins v: Pangbourne; Headmaster's Invitation XI; Reading; Leighton Park; Cokethorpe; RGS, High Wycombe; South Oxfordshire Amateurs; XL Club; Berkshire Gentlemen.

Batting—S. C. B. Tomlinson 13-5-564-85*-0-70.50; *J. P. S. Tomlinson 10-2-386-68*-0-48.25; J. P. C. Stebbings 13-3-352-100-1-35.20; J. A. D. Urquhart 10-3-194-55-0-27.71; D. H. Orchard 12-1-157-42-0-14.27.

Bowling—S. C. B. Tomlinson 146.2-42-364-35-6/12-10.40; T. G. Limburn 95-13-323-22-4/31-14.68; D. H. Orchard 84-15-282-18-4/25-15.66.

OUNDLE SCHOOL*Played 18: Won 11, Lost 2, Drawn 5. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: J. R. Wake

Cricket professional: T. Howorth

Sound all-round contributions and an excellent team spirit brought 11 victories, which equalled the record set the previous year, although the wet May meant that fewer matches were played in 1994. Especially satisfying were the wins over strong South African representative sides and the Antipodeans in the annual International Cricket Festival. The side's willingness to risk defeat in pursuit of victory led to several thrilling run-chases ending positively in the final over. James Samworth scored the most runs and headed the batting averages, while Christo Daniels topped the bowling averages. The most wickets, however, fell to Harry Preston, who received the George Gilroy Memorial Cup, presented in memory of the previous season's leading bowler, who tragically died in Australia earlier in the year.

Wins v: Repton; MCC; Free Foresters; Wellingborough; Gresham's; St Edward's; XL Club; Oundle Rovers; Antipodeans, New South Wales; Andrew Rabie, Eastern Province; Paarl, Western Province.

Batting—J. P. Samworth 14-2-592-123*-2-49.33; J. D. Pilch 11-6-193-59*-0-38.60; *A. M. Macleod-Smith 13-1-376-94*-0-31.33; C. R. Wilson 14-0-338-109-1-24.14; J. C. Thomas 13-3-241-50*-0-24.10; E. P. Reynolds 16-0-377-80-0-23.56; B. J. Colbeck 12-2-208-57-0-20.80; B. B. Briggs 13-3-206-39-0-20.60.

Bowling—C. G. M. Daniels 136.5-33-394-23-6/26-17.13; T. J. Rayden 97-30-312-17-5/19-18.35; H. C. Preston 212.1-53-484-26-4/54-18.61; B. J. Colbeck 146.5-29-488-18-4/88-27.11.

THE PERSE SCHOOL*Played 16: Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 8. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: A. C. Porter

Cricket professional: D. C. Collard

Wins v: Chigwell; Royal Hospital S.; Old Perseans; Hills Road SFC.

Batting—A. P. Gibson 14-3-402-86*-0-36.54; *T. J. Sheppard 16-1-464-94-0-30.93; E. R. Walker 16-0-424-72-0-26.50; P. Horsley 15-0-350-72-0-23.33; P. Siddle 14-2-254-42-0-21.16.

Bowling—J. Mayer 181.2-32-563-39-5/52-14.43; B. H. Brooks 101.2-14-332-16-5/56-20.75.

PLYMOUTH COLLEGE*Played 14: Won 3, Lost 6, Drawn 5. Abandoned 5*

Master i/c: T. J. Stevens

Wins v: Philanthropists; Plymouth CC; XL Club.*Batting*—J. Fabian 13-4-536-106-2-59.55; *E. James 11-2-232-93*-0-25.77; J. Conaghan 14-3-282-86*-0-25.63; R. Moist 10-0-227-84-0-22.70; T. Holme 12-0-157-58-0-13.08.*Bowling*—E. James 122.1-34-387-19-5/31-20.36; P. Trinder 86.3-9-391-18-5/49-21.72; G. Brooks 95-12-411-17-4/44-24.17.**POCKLINGTON SCHOOL***Played 25: Won 5, Lost 8, Drawn 12*

Master i/c: D. Nuttall

A young side developed excitingly under the challenging captaincy of Daniel Clappison. He and his opening partner, Robert Milne, both passed 500 runs, but the most prolific batsman was Matthew Stacey with 886. Two spinners, Jon Burrans and Gavin Stewart, bore the brunt of the bowling, sending down 531 overs between them and sharing 80 wickets.

Wins v: Ampleforth; Sedburgh; Chigwell; Wellingborough; Londesborough Park.*Batting*—M. B. Stacey 18-2-886-137-2-55.37; G. J. T. Stewart 14-5-251-95*-0-27.88; P. R. Mouncey 17-3-390-118-1-27.85; R. S. Milne 23-1-528-77-0-24.00; *D. Clappison 23-1-506-87*-0-23.00; C. R. Wood 18-1-387-81-0-22.76; G. Johnson 17-5-163-39*-0-13.58.*Bowling*—G. J. T. Stewart 217-29-785-35-5/37-22.42; J. R. Burrans 314-45-1,130-45-5/85-25.11.**PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL***Played 12: Won 2, Lost 5, Drawn 5. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: G. D. Payne

Cricket professional: R. J. Parks

Wins v: King Edward VI, Southampton; MCC.*Batting*—S. A. Hamilton 6-1-167-53*-0-33.40; J. C. E. Moon 11-2-260-59-0-28.88; J. F. Gannon 11-0-306-79-0-27.81; *J. S. Greer 10-0-235-79-0-23.50; R. Burgess 9-1-178-63-0-22.25.*Bowling*—M. W. Haines 89-20-262-16-3/21-16.37; J. R. Scott 110-23-269-15-3/20-17.93; M. Bulbeck 120.5-24-411-19-5/36-21.63.**PRIOR PARK COLLEGE***Played 13: Won 2, Lost 4, Drawn 7. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: D. R. Holland

Frustrated by the weather, the side felt they had not fulfilled their potential. Highlights were the six-wicket win at Downside and a maiden century against the XL Club by 15-year-old Tony Atkins.

Wins v: Wells Cathedral S.; Downside.*Batting*—A. Atkins 13-2-340-122-1-30.90; L. Dokic 10-1-236-63-0-26.22; *I. Okoli 13-0-308-97-0-23.69; S. Yang 12-2-229-43-0-22.90; B. Brodie 12-1-246-52-0-22.36.*Bowling*—L. Dokic 108-19-384-25-5/51-15.36.**QUEEN ELIZABETH GRAMMAR SCHOOL, WAKEFIELD***Played 12: Won 8, Lost 0, Drawn 4. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: T. Barker

Undeclared, the XI won a record eight of their 12 matches.

Wins v: MCC; Bradford GS; Woodhouse Grove; RGS, Lancaster; William Hulme GS; Ashville; Ermysteds GS; Old Boys XI.*Batting*—A. M. R. Birkby 11-4-494-116*-1-70.57; G. R. J. Dawson 11-2-454-153-1-50.44; D. J. Bousfield 8-2-171-60*-0-28.50; R. M. Wade 9-2-190-49-0-27.14; G. A. Daniels 12-0-211-40-0-17.58.*Bowling*—R. A. Hughes 141.2-28-454-27-6/9-16.81; G. A. Daniels 96-15-363-19-3/34-19.10.**QUEEN ELIZABETH'S HOSPITAL***Played 12: Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 4*

Masters i/c: M. S. E. Broadley and P. J. Kirby

As the more experienced players led by example, some of the younger players made their mark and showed much promise. The fielding was of a particularly high standard.

Wins v: Bristol Cathedral S.; West Buckland S.; Queen's, Taunton; Hutton GS.*Batting*—I. K. Ross 11-1-316-109*-1-31.60; N. Varshney 10-1-260-91-0-28.88; *N. C. Abbott 11-3-188-37-0-23.50.*Bowling*—N. Patel 79-14-291-22-5/40-13.22; J. M. Buck 87.1-12-298-16-4/10-18.62; A. P. Morris 107.5-20-331-15-4/18-22.06.**QUEEN'S COLLEGE, TAUNTON***Played 13: Won 2, Lost 5, Drawn 6*

Master i/c: J. W. Davies

An inability to defend substantial totals was a major factor in the five defeats. The season finished on a high note, when a fine century from the captain, Graham Lewis, helped to bring victory over Taunton.

Wins v: Wycliffe; Taunton S.*Batting*—*G. Lewis 10-1-369-109-1-41.00; H. Bowden 12-1-357-67-0-32.45; T. Hobden 9-0-217-97-0-24.11; G. Stotesbury 12-1-255-74-0-23.18; P. Burke 13-2-219-74*-0-19.90.*Bowling*—G. Lewis 108-15-389-21-5/35-18.52; P. Burke 101-17-408-17-5/19-24.00; S. Pratt 153-26-582-18-5/68-32.33.**RADLEY COLLEGE***Played 14: Won 5, Lost 1, Drawn 8. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: W. J. Wesson

Cricket professionals: A. G. Robinson and A. R. Wagner

Robin Martin-Jenkins was the leading all-rounder, heading both averages and going on to play for English Schools, MCC Schools and Sussex Second XI. He featured in two significant second-wicket partnerships, scoring 105 not out when he and the left-handed Andrew Strauss (91) put on 185 against Bradfield, and making 139 when adding 189 against Shrewsbury with the under-19 polo international, Malcolm Borwick (60). Ben Hutton, another left-hander and son of Richard and grandson of Sir Leonard, was a regular in the side, while 15-year-old Charlie Pragnell was a promising leg-spinner.

Wins v: Marlborough; Winchester; Eton; Shrewsbury; W. J. Wesson's XI.

Batting—*R. S. C. Martin-Jenkins 13-3-620-139-3-62.00; M. R. Bellhouse 13-7-371-73*-0-61.83; A. J. Strauss 14-1-575-91*-0-44.23; M. P. Borwick 12-1-291-60-0-26.45; B. L. Hutton 14-0-352-62-0-25.14.

Bowling—R. S. C. Martin-Jenkins 171-51-416-32-4/31-13.00; C. W. G. Goldsmith 146.3-34-353-24-4/38-14.70; C. E. Pragnell 87-16-286-15-3/38-19.06.

RATCLIFFE COLLEGE

Played 9: Won 1, Lost 2, Drawn 6. Abandoned 3

Master i/c: R. M. Hughes

Win v: Emeriti CC.

Batting—I. Usman 7-0-233-72-0-33.28; *E. W. Davies 9-2-169-65*-0-24.14.

Bowling—J. Peris 110.3-8-478-17-4/92-28.11.

READING SCHOOL

Played 13: Won 6, Lost 6, Drawn 1. Abandoned 1

Master i/c: S. A. Stevenson

Wins v: Lord Williams's; Douai; Shiplake; Forest; Bearwood; Old Readingensians.

Batting—D. J. Airey 11-4-331-80-0-47.28; S. D. Patel 10-2-254-81-0-31.75; R. B. Boot 9-1-234-87-0-29.25; T. Ahmed 11-1-179-48*-0-17.90; J. D. Martin 13-1-208-42*-0-17.33.

Bowling—S. D. Patel 152.4-46-432-28-5/30-15.42; R. Pilkington 112-27-312-18-4/7-17.33; S. J. Leitch 131-17-459-26-4/49-17.65.

REED'S SCHOOL

Played 10: Won 1, Lost 5, Drawn 4

Master i/c: G. D. Adeney

A young and inexperienced side showed real resolve and were rewarded with victory over a strong Tiffin side, successfully chasing 194 runs in 50 minutes and 20 overs.

Win v: Tiffin.

Batting—R. Hilton 8-1-175-73-0-25.00; A. Klimcke 9-1-198-59*-0-24.75; R. Cook 9-2-151-48-0-21.57; *R. Webster 9-1-155-38-0-19.37; C. Hugall 10-1-159-45-0-17.66.

Bowling—R. Hilton 84.3-4-423-16-3/32-26.43.

REIGATE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Played 21: Won 3, Lost 10, Drawn 8. Abandoned 3

Master i/c: D. C. R. Jones

Cricket professional: H. Newton

It was another disappointing season, in which no school was beaten and a record ten defeats were suffered. The captain, D. C. Sainsbury, made up for poor bowling form with 513 runs, and on tour in Jersey set a fourth-wicket record of 183 unbroken with the leading bowler, J. J. Hylton, who made 100 not out. Opening batsman R. J. C. Lowe frequently held the fragile batting together and scored a century against the XL Club.

Wins v: XL Club; Common Room XI; Turville CC.

Batting—R. J. C. Lowe 22-0-668-104-1-30.36; *D. C. Sainsbury 19-2-513-79*-0-30.17; J. J. Hylton 16-3-307-100*-1-23.61; S. N. Teasdale 21-1-397-75-0-19.85; D. C. Jackson 11-1-193-43-0-19.30; R. J. Callcut 20-1-296-58-0-15.57; P. W. Sainsbury 14-0-212-43-0-15.14.

Bowling—J. J. Hylton 162.3-30-518-26-4/19-19.92; O. R. Mirza 115-19-422-20-5/66-21.10; G. J. M. Watkins 144.2-35-458-15-4/42-30.53; T. A. A. Khan 164-30-523-16-3/19-32.68.

RENDCOMB COLLEGE

Played 16: Won 4, Lost 8, Drawn 4

Master i/c: C. Burden

Cricket professional: D. Essenhigh

A highlight was a four-match tour to Barbados.

Wins v: King's, Gloucester; New College, Swindon; Pate's GS; Grantley Adams Memorial S., Barbados.

Batting—C. E. Lawton 12-4-250-54*-0-31.25; *I. Kwelagobe 12-2-228-56-0-22.80; F. G. E. Barton 15-2-280-56-0-21.53; F. B. Ingham 11-3-153-52-0-19.12; C. E. Jarrett 13-1-158-48-0-13.16.

Bowling—I. Kwelagobe 112.4-13-413-27-4/21-15.29; C. E. Lawton 120-16-419-26-6/21-16.11; P. D. Boydell 81.2-6-334-15-5/41-22.26.

REPTON SCHOOL

Played 18: Won 4, Lost 2, Drawn 12

Master i/c: M. Stones

Cricket professional: M. K. Kettle

Wins v: Cheltenham; King Edward's, Birmingham; Repton Pilgrims; Friars CC.

Batting—S. A. Twigg 14-2-549-131*-2-45.75; J. G. R. Cook 11-2-316-76-0-35.11; J. F. Sheard 14-0-412-65-0-29.42; N. D. Tomlinson 10-3-191-54*-0-27.28; D. J. O'Gram 12-2-216-77-0-21.60; *J. W. S. Piper 12-2-168-54*-0-16.80.

Bowling—J. R. Webster 136-17-490-22-4/31-22.27; J. F. Sheard 151-24-480-21-4/23-22.85; J. W. S. Piper 175-34-570-23-5/34-24.78.

RICHARD HUISH COLLEGE

Played 7: Won 2, Lost 1, Drawn 4. Abandoned 3

Master i/c: W. J. Maidlow

The weather permitted only seven matches to be played at a time when the future of cricket at the college was under threat. A highlight was an innings of 110 by Steven Jenkins against the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth. Matthew Dimond made his County Championship debut for Somerset in June and was selected for the England Under-19 tour to the West Indies.

Wins v: Exeter S.; Royal Naval College, Dartmouth.

Batting—No player scored 150 runs. The leading batsmen were M. Dimond 4-0-129-56-0-32.25; D. Hewitt 5-0-129-59-0-25.80.

Bowling—No bowler took 15 wickets. The leading bowler was D. Hewitt 60.4-12-180-11-3/38-16.36.

ROSSALL SCHOOL*Played 20: Won 10, Lost 3, Drawn 7*

Master i/c: P. Philpott

The successful Rossall side was captained by 16-year-old Liam Botham (son of Ian), who had another outstanding all-round season with 774 runs and 54 wickets with impressive averages. He played for Hampshire Second XI.

Wins v: King Edward's, Lytham; St Bees; RGS, Lancaster; Arnold; Stonyhurst; Sedbergh; King's, Macclesfield; Old Rossallians; Knockturns Club; Loretto.

Batting—*L. J. Botham 17-6-774-114*-2-70.36; P. C. McKeown 15-2-774-104*-1-59.53; J. E. G. Birch 19-4-596-103*-1-39.73; S. N. C. Roberts 12-2-251-67-0-25.10; B. E. P. Shaw 12-1-215-47-0-19.54; A. J. Greenwood 13-3-170-49-0-17.00; C. M. Hill 18-1-249-47*-0-14.64.

Bowling—L. J. Botham 230-74-540-54-6/36-10.00; C. L. Simpson 166-50-415-31-4/42-13.38; M. J. Dewhurst 119-27-394-20-6/30-19.70; O. D. J. Wadsworth 178-55-472-15-3/43-31.46.

THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL, GUILDFORD*Played 15: Won 8, Lost 3, Drawn 4. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: S. B. R. Shore

In the best season for some years, the batting was dominated by Ben Fraser, whose three hundreds in a sequence of eight innings were a school record. The all-round bowling was excellent and the fielding improved as a strong team spirit developed.

Wins v: Portsmouth; Emanuel; Wallington; Reed's; Eltham; Kingston GS; RGS, Colchester; RGS, High Wycombe.

Batting—B. J. Fraser 14-1-595-114-3-45.76; R. C. Kitzinger 14-0-276-50-0-19.71; T. W. Grafton 15-3-220-60*-0-18.33; G. E. Newman 11-0-176-45-0-16.00; *D. J. Honey 15-2-185-37-0-14.23.

Bowling—T. W. Grafton 103.2-15-371-26-4/18-14.26; B. R. Morgan 86.2-16-261-17-4/25-15.35; B. J. Fraser 85.3-13-326-18-6/52-18.11; R. J. Kitzinger 164.1-41-489-26-3/21-18.80; D. J. Honey 150.4-31-473-18-4/65-26.27.

THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL, NEWCASTLE*Played 18: Won 9, Lost 5, Drawn 4*

Master i/c: D. W. Smith

Wins v: RGS, Worcester; RGS, Guildford; QEGS, Hexham; King's, Tynemouth (twice); Ashington; Penrith; Barnard Castle; Yarm School.

Batting—B. A. Jones-Lee 18-3-548-85*-0-36.53; C. E. G. Ryan 15-3-327-55*-0-27.25; I. B. Park 15-2-243-71*-0-18.69; *M. J. Smalley 14-0-201-44-0-14.35; S. M. Stoker 14-1-168-49-0-12.92; C. P. Mordue 15-2-162-45-0-12.46.

Bowling—M. J. Smalley 182.5-53-381-33-6/15-11.54; C. E. G. Ryan 211-49-532-46-6/52-11.56; J. C. Dresser 100-19-305-19-4/13-16.05.

THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL, WORCESTER*Played 23: Won 7, Lost 6, Drawn 10. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: B. M. Rees

Cricket professional: M. J. Horton

Following the departure of ten of the previous season's successful side, the school had an ordinary season. B. C. M. Taylor took 40 wickets and won the *Daily Telegraph* Midlands bowling award, while E. Sellwood looked a promising off-spinner.

Wins v: Rendcomb; Old Swinford Hospital; XL Club; Bromsgrove; RGS, Guildford; RGS, High Wycombe; RGS, Colchester.

Batting—N. C. Fletcher 22-0-732-98-0-33.27; *M. R. G. Prudham 23-1-679-132*-1-30.86; J. C. W. Young 19-0-568-93-0-29.89; D. T. Fidoe 21-4-460-73-0-27.05; J. E. K. Schofield 6-0-150-78-0-25.00; R. A. Brookes 16-5-228-38-0-20.72; M. J. Sellek 16-3-252-46*-0-19.38; E. Sellwood 17-1-271-47-0-16.93; R. D. Davies 15-3-167-30*-0-13.91.

Bowling—B. C. M. Taylor 227.1-51-768-40-5/36-19.20; E. Sellwood 263.4-75-619-31-7/73-19.96; M. J. Sellek 210.2-44-599-28-6/24-21.39.

RUGBY SCHOOL*Played 15: Won 4, Lost 3, Drawn 8. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: K. Siviter

Cricket professional: W. J. Stewart

Wins v: Oundle; Stowe; Malvern; Old Rugbeians.

Batting—E. J. Lowe 15-4-733-113*-3-66.63; *C. J. C. Robards 14-2-577-108-1-48.08; J. A. Roper 13-4-326-64*-0-36.22; S. J. T. Parry 13-2-345-79-0-31.36; J. D. B. Lloyd 15-0-289-58-0-19.26; M. J. Howe 12-2-188-43*-0-18.80.

Bowling—J. A. Froome 158.2-40-545-22-3/18-24.77; M. J. Howe 159-25-673-25-5/57-26.92.

RYDAL SCHOOL*Played 13: Won 3, Lost 3, Drawn 7*

Master i/c: M. T. Leach

Cricket professional: R. W. C. Pitman

Matthew Bennett, who captained the school at both cricket and rugby, was the leading all-rounder in a young side. A bonus was the contribution of Sam Scrutton, who came to the sixth form from St David's, Llandudno.

Wins v: St David's; Old Rydalians; Ellesmere.

Batting—S. Scrutton 10-3-298-78*-0-42.57; *M. H. Bennett 13-2-426-73-0-38.72; H. G. Williams 9-2-161-66*-0-23.00; D. S. Hanlon 10-0-181-50-0-18.10.

Bowling—J. W. B. Martin 181-44-487-33-6/14-14.75; M. H. Bennett 141.4-32-320-18-3/15-17.77.

ST DUNSTAN'S COLLEGE*Played 12: Won 3, Lost 3, Drawn 6. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: O. T. Price

Cricket professional: G. S. Clinton

A hard-working young side were coached during the season by former England wicket-keeper Bob Taylor and the England bowler, Angus Fraser. Joe Jacoby played the side's only three-figure innings in the high-scoring draw with Sevenoaks and Chris Beales was an adventurous captain.

Wins v: Colfe's; Bancroft's; XL Club.

Batting—J. E. M. Jacoby 14-4-484-114-1-48.40; L. Speed 14-1-346-78-0-26.61; N. V. Kirby 13-2-203-51*-0-18.45; *C. J. Beales 12-0-150-26-0-12.50.

Bowling—D. K. Farley 83-18-260-15-3/31-17.33; J. C. Welch 73.3-9-292-16-4/39-18.25.

ST EDWARD'S SCHOOL, OXFORD

Played 12: Won 7, Lost 1, Drawn 4. Abandoned 2

Master i/c: D. Drake-Brockman

Cricket professional: G. V. Palmer

The season was the most successful since the war, equalling that of the 1943 XI in which John Woodcock played. Oliver Slipper's batting average of 111.60 was the best since 1928; his 558 runs in ten innings featured five unbeaten fifties, including 100 not out against Eton and 107 not out against Abingdon. He went on to play for Surrey Second XI. The accurate seam attack of Nicholas Prior, John Blythe and Nicholas Obolensky was well supported in the field.

Wins v: Cryptics; RGS, High Wycombe; Eton; MCC; St Edward's Martyrs; Abingdon; Cheltenham.

Batting—*O. M. Slipper 10-5-558-107*-2-111.60; R. P. Matthews 7-1-174-84-0-29.00; G. S. Peddy 9-2-193-47*-0-27.57; A. S. Peebles 9-3-157-68*-0-26.16.

Bowling—J. N. St J. Blythe 106-33-229-17-4/23-13.47; N. G. L. Prior 173-52-428-26-5/40-16.46; N. Obolensky 138.3-32-327-17-5/36-19.23.

ST GEORGE'S COLLEGE, WEYBRIDGE

Played 12: Won 3, Lost 1, Drawn 8. Abandoned 2

Master i/c: D. G. Ottley

Giles Henderson, who headed the bowling averages, took nine for 45 against Kingston GS.

Wins v: Hampton; Tiffin; Kingston GS.

Batting—*N. Hoyle 11-1-376-77-0-37.60; A. Watts 11-1-332-108*-1-33.20; P. Alston 10-2-242-100-1-30.25; C. Fletcher 11-2-242-57-0-26.88; L. Fernando 9-2-154-52*-0-22.00; G. Henderson 12-0-261-70-0-21.75; J. Stephens 10-1-152-33-0-16.88.

Bowling—G. Henderson 157.2-54-476-30-9/45-15.86; C. Fletcher 109.4-26-341-16-5/19-21.31; N. Hoyle 171.5-46-542-22-5/48-24.63.

ST JOHN'S SCHOOL, LEATHERHEAD

Played 11: Won 2, Lost 3, Drawn 6. Abandoned 3

Master i/c: A. B. Gale

Cricket professional: E. Shepperd

A highlight in an unspectacular year was Simon Speller's hat-trick against Cranleigh, although it did not save the school from defeat.

Wins v: Reigate GS; Headmaster's XI.

Batting—H. F. Keays 10-3-183-70*-0-26.14; R. B. Vossler 10-1-210-77*-0-23.33; *S. J. Speller 10-0-173-52-0-17.30; T. E. Goodyer 10-0-150-49-0-15.00.

Bowling—C. D. Griffith 92-19-305-17-5/21-17.94; S. J. Speller 95-16-299-15-4/53-19.93; P. D. Tyler 119.5-26-386-17-3/7-22.70.

ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH

Played 18: Won 7, Lost 4, Drawn 7

Master i/c: A. C. Rutherford

Cricket professional: J. Pugh

Aaron Brown's school record of 738 runs included 109 off 33 deliveries against Browns CC.

Wins v: Gentlemen of Suffolk; Essex U.; Ipswich & East Suffolk CC; Colchester SFC; East Bergholt; Royal Hospital S.; Browns CC.

Batting—*A. Brown 17-1-738-127-3-46.12; E. Manning 16-2-553-72-0-39.50; P. King 14-3-369-82-0-33.54; J. Townrow 18-1-388-78-0-22.82; D. Potter 10-1-172-62-0-19.11.

Bowling—C. Jack 110.2-13-414-25-5/46-16.56; A. Brown 152.4-23-512-30-4/28-17.06; P. King 84-19-285-16-5/24-17.81; J. Townrow 104.5-11-369-20-7/55-18.45; J. Payne 123.2-18-447-22-4/32-20.31.

ST LAWRENCE COLLEGE, RAMSGATE

Played 13: Won 8, Lost 1, Drawn 4. Abandoned 3

Master i/c: N. O. S. Jones

Cricket professional: A. P. E. Knott

A young side, who fielded particularly well, enjoyed a successful season under the captaincy of the Kent Under-16 wicket-keeper, Benedict Swindells, and gained confidence from the coaching of Alan Knott. Their last match, against Gravesend GS, was particularly memorable: Nick Sproule, a leg-spinner who also headed the batting averages, took a hat-trick and Kevin Thickitt, who took the most wickets as well as scoring the most runs, made 137 not out.

Wins v: Sir Roger Manwood's; Chatham House; St Augustine's; King's, Rochester; Harbledown CC; Old Lawrentians; Harvey GS; Gravesend GS.

Batting—N. P. Sproule 10-6-189-57*-0-47.25; *B. C. Swindells 11-2-348-103*-1-38.66; K. Thickitt 11-1-352-137*-1-35.20; G. A. P. Grinsted 8-2-205-50*-0-34.16; A. J. Boaler 11-2-270-60*-0-30.00.

Bowling—K. Thickitt 124.3-34-327-26-6/58-12.57; R. A. Hicks 84.1-17-250-17-5/28-14.70; N. P. Sproule 77.1-9-302-19-6/35-15.89.

ST PAUL'S SCHOOL

Played 14: Won 5, Lost 2, Drawn 7. Abandoned 2

Master i/c: G. Hughes

Cricket professional: M. Heath

Wins v: Lords and Commons; Highgate; The Masters; Fettes; The Leys.

Batting—F. A. Badat 13-4-653-145*-2-72.55; *T. B. Peters 12-5-487-100*-1-69.57; A. J. Baldock 13-0-474-88-0-36.46; J. F. A. Poulet 13-1-372-100*-1-31.00; D. S. Hyman 10-1-159-60-0-17.66.

Bowling—T. B. Peters 178.2-47-447-24-4/40-18.62; J. Sherjan 175-60-491-23-3/3-21.34; J. S. Grant 117.2-26-361-16-4/14-22.56.

ST PETER'S SCHOOL, YORK*Played 21: Won 4, Lost 0, Drawn 17*

Master i/c: D. Kirby

Cricket professional: K. F. Mohan

The unbeaten side drew as many as 17 matches, although many were close and exciting. Their strength lay in the depth of batting and excellent fielding, while the bowlers struggled on the easy home batting pitches. However, the varied attack persevered and Nick Ogden collected 35 wickets to set alongside his 433 runs.

Wins v: Loretto; Rossall; Yarra Valley HS, Melbourne; XL Club.

Batting—T. J. Archer 21-5-523-81*-0-32.68; A. L. T. Kay 17-2-469-79-0-31.26; N. J. Ogden 20-4-433-92-0-27.06; M. S. Bradley 19-1-485-78-0-26.94; P. C. Taylor 16-2-307-96-0-21.92; *T. W. F. Cockcroft 15-0-325-74-0-21.66.

Bowling—M. S. Bradley 199.1-53-512-23-3/24-22.26; N. J. Ogden 221.3-38-790-35-5/52-22.57; P. T. Batty 157.3-35-403-16-4/39-25.18.

SEDBERGH SCHOOL*Played 14: Won 2, Lost 4, Drawn 8. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: N. A. Rollings

Cricket professional: T. Hunte

The batting of James Edington was a highlight in an otherwise unremarkable season. His aggregate of 828 runs was a school record, as were his four centuries, which took his tally to seven in his three years.

Wins v: Woodridge College, South Africa; N. A. Rollings's XI.

Batting—J. M. Edington 16-4-828-137*-4-69.00; B. J. D. Heap 12-2-342-82-0-34.20; *T. C. M. Barraclough 10-3-184-58*-0-26.28; D. C. Croft 15-2-325-75*-0-25.00; P. J. Jameson 12-1-227-105*-1-20.63.

Bowling—M. A. Biker 114-17-344-17-3/43-20.23; M. W. Farnsworth 135-38-373-17-5/45-21.94.

SEVENOAKS SCHOOL*Played 15: Won 4, Lost 3, Drawn 8. Abandoned 4*

Master i/c: I. J. B. Walker

Cricket professional: C. J. Tavaré

Wins v: MCC; Woodhouse Grove; Skinners'; Knockholt CC.

Batting—*W. J. House 11-1-518-121*-2-51.80; A. D. M. Wright 13-0-369-81-0-28.38; N. Shirreff 12-4-215-94*-0-26.87; T. M. Briggs 12-3-233-65-0-25.88; N. J. P. Reason 9-1-157-32-0-19.62.

Bowling—M. Abbas Khan 43.5-10-149-17-5/20-8.76; W. J. House 100-35-226-15-4/5-15.06.

SHEBBEAR COLLEGE*Played 16: Won 7, Lost 3, Drawn 6*

Master i/c: A. Bryan

Chris Knapman's return of eight for four against Grenville College was a highlight for the XI, who lost only to Cranbrook in schools matches.

Wins v: Blundell's Second XI; Exeter S.; Gravesend GS (twice); Grenville C.; Old Shebbeareans; Linton Park.

Batting—*P. Lockyer 14-2-532-82-0-44.33; M. Rayson 11-5-174-31*-0-29.00; M. Heal 14-4-269-61-0-26.90; C. Knapman 14-3-211-50-0-19.18; W. Coates 14-3-181-39-0-16.45; J. Armstrong 15-3-164-40*-0-13.66.

Bowling—C. Knapman 176-63-379-34-8/4-11.14; P. Lockyer 112-29-292-17-4/17-17.17; W. Coates 79-12-296-16-5/36-18.50.

SHERBORNE SCHOOL*Played 11: Won 4, Lost 5, Drawn 2. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: M. D. Nurton

Cricket professional: A. Willows

Wins v: Haileybury; Blundell's; Clifton; Sherborne Town.

Batting—W. G. Hargrove 12-3-251-58*-0-27.88; T. J. Percival 13-1-314-62-0-26.16; N. P. C. Hyde 12-0-289-50-0-24.08; J. N. Butler 12-1-228-50-0-20.72; E. A. Bellew 12-2-184-78-0-18.40.

Bowling—A. D. Nurton 153.1-40-391-20-6/14-19.55; N. P. C. Hyde 116.5-31-321-16-5/29-20.06; P. C. H. Harvey 88-13-340-15-5/54-22.66; B. T. Bishop 149.1-30-428-18-3/26-23.77.

SHREWSBURY SCHOOL*Played 18: Won 3, Lost 4, Drawn 11*

Master i/c: S. M. Holroyd

Cricket professionals: A. P. Pridgeon and P. H. Bromley

Wins v: Eton; Old Swinford Hospital; Ellesmere.

Batting—S. W. K. Ellis 18-3-782-114*-2-52.13; I. J. W. McCarter 16-1-526-93-0-35.06; I. S. Dhariwal 13-6-178-24-0-25.42; N. J. B. Green 16-3-310-76-0-23.84; J. D. W. Cox 17-1-358-63-0-22.37; C. J. Clarke 19-2-336-100-1-19.76; D. J. Umpleby 15-5-182-38-0-18.20; M. A. Randall 12-1-152-24-0-13.81.

Bowling—J. P. Elcock 211-27-735-30-6/77-24.50; I. J. W. McCarter 180-15-633-25-6/27-25.32; S. W. K. Ellis 244-43-731-26-4/36-28.11; I. S. Dhariwal 184-29-654-15-3/38-43.60.

SIMON LANGTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL*Played 18: Won 12, Lost 3, Drawn 3*

Master i/c: R. H. Green

It was another successful season, in which the side won the Kent Schools Under-19 League again and were runners-up in the Lemon Cup.

Wins v: Gravesend GS; Chatham GS; Rochester Maths; Norton Knatchbull; Chatham House; Borden GS; Judd; Dartford GS; Chislehurst & Sidcup GS; Old Langtonians; Simon Langton Staff; Eltham C.

Batting—D. Mathews 15-2-485-150*-1-37.30; *B. Ralph 14-4-301-68*-0-30.10; E. Roberts 17-1-471-82-0-29.43; S. Tophill 8-2-162-39*-0-27.00; R. White 14-2-247-53-0-20.58; R. Marsh 11-1-171-62-0-17.10; S. Fletcher 15-1-236-60-0-16.85.

Bowling—R. Marsh 144.3-28-425-39-5/18-10.89; S. Tophill 79-19-230-20-7/29-11.50; M. Bridger 142.4-28-454-27-5/31-16.81.

SOLIHULL SCHOOL*Played 21: Won 8, Lost 5, Drawn 8*

Master i/c: D. J. Dunn

Cricket professional: S. P. Perryman

The opening partnership of 232 between G. R. Weston (81) and S. J. Legg (134 not out) against Newcastle HS was a record for the school, who won the Warwickshire Under-19 Cup.

Wins v: Wolverhampton GS; King Edward's, Aston; Solihull SFC; Joseph Chamberlain C.; King's, Worcester; Newcastle HS; Aylesbury GS; North Warwickshire C.

Batting—*S. J. Legg 16-5-837-159*-3-76.09; C. R. Briggs 17-1-514-83-0-32.12; W. L. Speer 16-2-345-56-0-24.64; E. J. Dawes 12-3-208-46-0-23.11; G. R. Weston 16-2-318-81-0-22.71; T. E. Whitelock 15-6-152-52-0-16.88; N. J. Mortimer 14-2-155-53-0-12.91.

Bowling—A. G. Levenger 228-48-744-50-8/50-14.88; J. M. Legg 185-45-567-29-5/10-19.55; W. L. Speer 145-22-523-23-3/18-22.73.

SOUTH CRAVEN SCHOOL*Played 8: Won 4, Lost 1, Drawn 2, Tied 1. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: D. M. Birks

In their best season to date, which included a first fixture with MCC, the side won half of their eight matches. They owed much to Mark Chapman, whose aggregate was a school record and included the first century for the XI.

Wins v: Ermysted's GS; Batley GS; Army Apprentices (Harrogate); Scarborough SFC.

Batting—M. Chapman 8-2-334-109*-1-55.66; N. Spragg 8-0-289-93-0-36.12.

Bowling—No bowler took 15 wickets. The leading bowlers were M. Chapman and A. Emmott, who took nine each.

STAMFORD SCHOOL*Played 11: Won 3, Lost 3, Drawn 5. Abandoned 5*

Master i/c: P. D. McKeown

Wins v: Queen Elizabeth HS, Gainsborough; XL Club; Staff XI.

Batting—D. C. Woolf 7-3-173-35-0-43.25; L. H. Jackson 13-1-388-128-1-32.33; S. E. G. Fuller 14-4-312-56*-0-31.20; R. J. H. Thorley 9-2-154-66*-0-22.00; S. A. P. Todd 11-1-216-58*-0-21.60; T. E. Smith 14-0-207-45-0-14.78.

Bowling—No bowler took 15 wickets. The leading bowler was L. H. Jackson 101-13-427-14-4/26-30.50.

STOCKPORT GRAMMAR SCHOOL*Played 11: Won 2, Lost 3, Drawn 6. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: S. Teasdale

Cricket professional: D. J. Makinson

Wins v: King's, Chester; Arnold.

Batting—T. W. Clarke 11-2-388-97-0-43.11; N. D. Hayes 8-0-242-108-1-30.25; N. S. Thompson 11-1-237-63*-0-23.70; B. Wren 9-1-150-54*-0-18.75.

Bowling—C. Pimlott 70.2-9-205-20-4/15-10.25; N. S. Thompson 116-17-360-28-8/51-12.85.

STOWE SCHOOL*Played 11: Won 1, Lost 5, Drawn 5. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: M. J. Harris

Win v: Free Foresters.

Batting—P. R. Denning 9-0-369-108-1-41.00; M. M. G. Smith 5-1-160-103-1-40.00; P. A. McSweeney 10-1-305-73*-0-33.88; G. I. Smith-Walker 8-1-165-102-1-23.57; A. Carling 11-1-223-74*-0-22.30; S. N. R. Gerard 11-1-186-62-0-18.60.

Bowling—E. J. Rogers 102-22-438-16-3/26-27.37.

STRATHALLAN SCHOOL*Played 15: Won 5, Lost 2, Drawn 8. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: R. J. W. Proctor

With reliable openers in Duncan Forbes and the Scotland Under-19 representative, Dougal Fergusson, the batting had a sound basis and the young side was bowled out only once. Their own attack often struggled, although at the end of the season an effective opening partnership emerged, supported by three spinners.

Wins v: Lomond S.; Dollar Acad.; Scottish Wayfarers; West District Under-19; Perth Northern.

Batting—D. G. O. Fergusson 14-2-570-86-0-47.50; D. G. Forbes 12-0-362-63-0-30.16; R. J. D. Barr 10-2-207-55-0-25.87; G. J. McKendry 10-3-174-35-0-24.85; *A. Jeffery 12-3-182-29-0-20.22; B. S. Ward 12-2-201-41*-0-20.10.

Bowling—A. J. Y. Duncan 57.4-14-182-16-5/54-11.37; P. J. Watson 187.3-45-522-27-7/60-19.33; D. R. G. Elder 108-12-358-16-4/50-22.37.

TAUNTON SCHOOL*Played 11: Won 1, Lost 4, Drawn 6. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: D. Baty

Cricket professional: A. Kennedy

Win v: King's, Bruton.

Batting—T. M. Phillips 10-0-249-72-0-24.90; T. J. Bradnock 8-0-181-41-0-22.62; R. H. Wickes 10-0-164-60-0-16.40.

Bowling—J. Ord 161.5-37-453-25-6/63-18.12; T. M. Phillips 124.3-26-383-19-4/21-20.15.

TIFFIN SCHOOL*Played 17: Won 5, Lost 8, Drawn 4. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: M. J. Williams

Wins v: St Benedict's; Reigate; Old Tiffinians; Elizabeth C., Guernsey; John Fisher.

Batting—R. C. Ward 16-2-553-121*-2-39.50; B. W. O'Connell 7-1-186-79*-0-31.00; A. D. Nutt 16-3-400-71*-0-30.76; S. M. Pashley 15-0-321-49-0-21.40; *O. W. Burley 13-2-228-55-0-20.72; M. C. Anstey 13-0-183-65-0-14.07.

Bowling—M. E. Bennett 195-40-627-21-7/44-29.85; M. J. Hooke 136.5-13-578-19-5/68-30.42.

TONBRIDGE SCHOOL*Played 17: Won 12, Lost 0, Drawn 5. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: P. B. Taylor

Cricket professional: C. Stone

Undefeated, the XI won 12 of the 14 matches completed, mostly by large margins. The opening batsmen, Christopher Walsh and Edward Smith, scored two centuries apiece as they averaged 92.30 and 90 respectively, both of which surpassed the previous record. Averaging 93.10 as a partnership, they shared five century stands. Walsh, with 105 not out, and Christopher Charlton (109*) put on 222 unbroken for the second wicket against the Band of Brothers. The season ended with six consecutive victories in two festivals, including the International Schools Festival, with teams from Australia and South Africa, which the school hosted. The last fixture of the season, a tight three-wicket win over Maritzburg College from Natal, was a particularly fine match.

Wins v: Tonbridge CC; Lancing; Free Foresters; Band of Brothers; Wellington C.; Eton; Clifton; Eastbourne; Felsted; Manchester GS; West Torrens, Adelaide; Maritzburg C., Natal.

Batting—C. D. Walsh 15-5-923-126*-2-92.30; E. T. Smith 11-3-720-150*-2-90.00; C. S. Charlton 13-5-423-109*-1-52.87; *J. A. Ford 13-4-406-124-1-45.11; W. M. Fyfe 7-1-209-59-0-34.83.

Bowling—W. M. Fyfe 156.3-26-471-36-6/42-13.08; T. J. Rice-Oxley 132.1-33-336-23-5/12-14.60; C. S. Charlton 176.5-47-467-29-6/22-16.10; J. A. Ford 110-26-306-15-3/24-20.40.

TRENT COLLEGE*Played 20: Won 5, Lost 2, Drawn 12, Tied 1*

Master i/c: T. P. Woods

Cricket professional: G. Miller

Noel Gie, son of Clive Gie of Western Province and Natal, compiled a record aggregate of 857.

Wins v: Nottinghamshire U-17; XL Club; Friars; Trinity GS, Melbourne; Headmaster's XI.

Batting—*N. A. Gie 20-5-857-131*-3-57.13; A. M. Lock 19-1-598-76-0-33.22; B. L. Spendlove 13-2-329-80-0-29.90; T. W. Hancock 17-2-397-55*-0-26.46; A. C. Garratt 11-3-187-60-0-23.37; N. J. Brown 14-4-199-54*-0-19.90; M. L. White 10-2-158-40-0-19.75; K. G. Reesby 13-2-183-39-0-16.63.

Bowling—T. W. Hancock 139.3-40-373-23-5/26-16.21; B. S. Morrison 127-26-303-17-5/23-17.82; J. M. Cottrill 133-28-378-20-5/73-18.90; M. L. White 181.5-39-547-24-4/20-22.79; M. J. Hartley 151.5-34-426-18-4/32-23.66.

TRINITY SCHOOL*Played 16: Won 8, Lost 0, Drawn 8. Abandoned 3*

Masters i/c: I. W. Cheyne and B. Widger

Unbeaten for the second time in three years, Trinity won half their matches. Joint-captains Richard Nowell and David Dyer again dominated with bat and ball, Nowell becoming the first player to average over 100 with the bat. Nowell's five years in the XI brought him 4,250 runs and 232 wickets, both records, while Dyer left with 2,464 runs and 129 wickets. Nowell joined Surrey on a cricket scholarship and played for the county Second XI, England Under-18 and Development of Excellence XI. A. J. T. Clark opened the bowling with considerable success and, although his batting opportunities were limited, he performed well when required and scored a fine century against MCC. The 208-run victory over King's, Rochester, featured a hundred before lunch by the opening batsman-wicket-keeper Sheran de Silva, a nephew of the Sri Lankan Test batsman, P. A. de Silva. Both he and Clark are expected to return in 1995.

Wins v: King's, Rochester; Wallington CGS; Colfe's; Langley Park; Hampton; Whitgift; Caterham; Old Mid-Whitgiftians.

Batting—*R. W. Nowell 10-3-737-146-2-105.28; *D. O. Dyer 14-3-756-152*-2-68.72; A. J. T. Clark 7-3-273-109-1-68.25; S. N. De Silva 14-1-426-112-1-32.76; D. O. Robinson 10-2-178-67-0-22.25; G. Chuter 11-2-178-80-0-19.77.

Bowling—R. W. Nowell 144.3-52-309-29-6/18-10.65; A. J. T. Clark 179.3-67-384-31-5/38-12.38; D. O. Dyer 184.4-43-606-25-4/79-24.24.

TRURO SCHOOL*Played 11: Won 2, Lost 3, Drawn 6. Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: D. M. Phillips

A young XI played with determination against older and more experienced sides. Highlights were a first fixture against MCC and the one-run victory over Bristol GS, which was achieved with a wicket off the last possible ball.

Wins v: Old Boys; Bristol GS.

Batting—R. C. Harmer 10-4-194-63*-0-32.33; T. G. Sharp 10-1-258-70*-0-28.66; A. W. R. Lear 11-0-278-62-0-25.27.

Bowling—C. E. Shreck 102.5-21-267-22-4/3-12.13.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE SCHOOL*Played 17: Won 4, Lost 5, Drawn 8. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: S. M. Bloomfield

Cricket professional: W. G. Jones

Wins v: Aldenham; Barnard Castle; Woodbridge; King Edward VII, Lytham.

Batting—B. J. Marshall 13-3-279-53*-0-27.90; A. J. Renton 12-2-257-41-0-25.70; J. D. Buck 16-3-332-58-0-25.53; S. Lawrence 12-1-235-49-0-21.36; G. M. J. Taylor 10-2-162-45*-0-20.25; J. A. Cymerman 13-2-190-39*-0-17.27; *F. J. Renton 16-0-228-36-0-14.25.

Bowling—A. J. Renton 137.2-36-323-27-5/33-11.96; G. M. J. Taylor 214.5-54-571-32-7/55-17.84; S. Lawrence 193.3-44-571-18-5/24-31.72.

UPPINGHAM SCHOOL*Played 17: Won 4, Lost 4, Drawn 9. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: I. E. W. Sanders

Cricket professional: M. R. Hallam

Rain frustrated Ed Hill in his pursuit of 1,000 runs, leaving him stranded two short on 144 not out against Blundell's in the last match. However, he was already 138 ahead of the school record, set the previous season by J. N. Beaumont.

Wins v: Old Uppinghamians; Rugby; Ampleforth; Canford.

Batting—*E. W. R. Hill 17-3-998-144*-3-71.28; S. C. Debenham 9-4-202-74-0-40.40; J. M. T. Hunter 15-2-437-67-0-33.61; B. P. Aspell 17-2-470-70-0-31.33; A. D. J. Dawe 16-0-422-64-0-26.37; N. C. Milbank 15-1-354-63-0-25.28; R. R. J. Buchanan 11-4-175-53*-0-25.00.

Bowling—R. R. J. Buchanan 144.1-27-450-20-5/44-22.50; S. C. Debenham 213.4-38-817-16-5/48-51.06.

VICTORIA COLLEGE, JERSEY*Played 22: Won 10, Lost 3, Drawn 9.*

Master i/c: D. A. R. Ferguson

Two players dominated. The captain, Chris Jones, scored 1,019 runs and took 32 wickets, while Stuart Ramskill passed 500 runs and took 47 wickets, which brought his total in five seasons to a school record of 203.

Wins v: Clifton (twice); Sporting CF; Reigate; Sussex O-50; Portsmouth GS; R. E. S. Young's XI; Jersey Island CC; Abbotsholme; Bearwood.

Batting—*C. Jones 20-6-1,019-109*-2-72.78; S. A. Ramskill 17-5-583-99*-0-48.58; C. J. D. O'Brien 20-0-512-46-0-25.60; C. N. A. Gothard 21-0-456-82-0-21.71; R. A. Skilton 20-1-359-79-0-18.89.

Bowling—S. A. Ramskill 236-49-882-47-7/37-18.76; C. Jones 215-53-615-32-7/47-19.21; C. N. A. Gothard 245-52-789-34-5/28-23.20.

WARWICK SCHOOL*Played 14: Won 1, Lost 7, Drawn 6.*

Master i/c: D. C. Elstone

Win v: Bablake

Batting—H. Munton 14-2-577-134*-1-48.08; S. Kelley 14-0-298-59-0-21.28; D. Kenny 13-1-210-94-0-17.50; J. Harcourt 13-0-225-64-0-17.30.

Bowling—T. Tyler 110-20-397-15-4/35-26.46; E. Rushton 139.5-22-532-16-2/28-33.25; D. Kenny 163.1-26-685-16-4/63-42.81.

WATFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL*Played 14: Won 3, Lost 4, Drawn 7. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: W. L. Miller

In a season of rebuilding, cancellations left the side without a match for a month after the first four, and the fifth game brought the unwelcome record of 67 extras conceded. The captain, Ian Mulholland, did well to pull the side together then, and they won two of the last three matches. The promising James Phang, a left-hander, carried his bat in the first match and was unlucky to be out for 97 in his last innings. Once he had sorted out his run-up, Farouk Khan bowled his left-arm deliveries tirelessly and well.

Wins v: Dr Challoner's GS; Enfield GS; RGS, High Wycombe.

Batting—J. C. K. Phang 11-1-284-97-0-28.40; *I. Mulholland 13-2-250-74-0-22.72; M. E. Smith 14-0-306-60-0-21.85; J. E. Forage 12-1-237-49-0-21.54; I. D. Southern 13-2-214-54*-0-19.45.

Bowling—F. Butt 115-26-333-15-5/21-22.20; F. M. Khan 169.2-32-524-20-5/54-26.20.

WELLINGBOROUGH SCHOOL*Played 17: Won 3, Lost 2, Drawn 12. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: M. H. Askham

Cricket professional: J. C. J. Dye

The slow left-arm bowling of 14-year-old Kristopher Saville augured well for the future.

Wins v: Ratcliffe; XL Club; Chigwell.

Batting—K. G. Potter 17-1-550-104*-1-34.37; S. L. Shah 17-2-426-108*-1-28.40; K. P. Wildman 14-2-290-76-0-24.16; A. L. Taylor 12-1-193-48-0-17.54; *J. R. E. Wilson 16-3-176-38-0-13.53.

Bowling—M. J. Banner 123-4-533-25-5/34-21.32; K. G. Potter 144.5-20-462-20-4/47-23.10; K. M. C. Saville 169-23-607-26-5/27-23.34.

WELLINGTON COLLEGE*Played 16: Won 4, Lost 5, Drawn 6, Tied 1. Abandoned 2*

Masters i/c: C. M. S. Potter and R. I. H. B. Dyer Cricket professional: P. J. Lewington

A young side learned much and enjoyed their season. Although their off-spinner, Robert Bridge, sent down as many as 157 overs, he was hampered by the wetness of the ball and failed to take 15 wickets.

Wins v: Royal Logistics Corps; Free Foresters; Winchester; Stowe.

Batting—*H. J. Bishop 14-4-329-56*-0-32.90; A. C. Northey 16-2-436-101*-1-31.14; D. C. M. Neville 14-2-321-56-0-26.75; C. P. R. Hodgson 17-3-369-71-0-26.35; E. M. G. Britton 17-0-370-53-0-21.76; J. D. J. Brownrigg 14-1-252-59-0-19.38.

Bowling—R. H. White 102.3-22-350-20-6/49-17.50; H. J. Bishop 167.1-33-414-19-4/20-21.78; C. P. R. Hodgson 157.4-36-488-21-5/82-23.23.

WELLINGTON SCHOOL*Played 17: Won 9, Lost 6, Drawn 2. Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: P. M. Pearce

For their record nine wins, the side played positively under the captaincy of Dan McKinnon, an outstanding fielder. A significant contribution was made by Graham Scott, whose 851 runs, three hundreds and average of 60.78 were all school records.

Wins v: Wells Cathedral S.; Mallards; Queen Elizabeth's Hospital; Plymouth C.; Queen's, Taunton; Kelly C.; E. M. Wesson's XI; Broad Clyst CC; Torquay CC.

Batting—G. Scott 17-3-851-135*-3-60.78; R. Cooper 15-2-469-91-0-36.07; A. Fulker 17-3-319-51-0-22.78.

Bowling—A. Fulker 167.5-14-663-43-8/44-15.41; D. Hewitt 163-32-580-20-3/16-29.00; M. Coleman 127-20-509-16-5/59-31.81.

WELLS CATHEDRAL SCHOOL*Played 13: Won 4, Lost 6, Drawn 3. Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: M. Stringer

Wins v: Blue School, Wells; Somerset Stragglers; Queen's, Taunton; Old Wellensians.

Batting—J. Pym 14-1-497-88*-0-38.23; J. Stone 14-2-424-106-1-35.33; E. Hoskins 13-1-258-87-0-21.50; R. Bates 11-0-210-81-0-19.09; C. Wheen 11-0-169-44-0-15.36.

Bowling—J. Stone 94.2-16-348-23-5/51-15.13; E. Hay 65.3-6-373-22-4/8-16.95; M. Ferguson 86-8-409-18-6/15-22.72.

WHITGIFT SCHOOL*Played 15: Won 7, Lost 4, Drawn 4, Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: P. C. Fladgate

A young side, who achieved positive results in all but four games, gained in confidence throughout the season. The captain, Chris Catling, headed the batting and scored his first century for the school in his last innings. The side's other century came from the all-rounder, Stephen Lampkin, against Reigate, while the most successful bowler was an off-spinner, Gareth Tucker. The under-15 player, James Furner, made a promising start in the XI.

Wins v: Honesti; Christ's Hospital; St George's, Weybridge; Reigate; OWA; Randburg HS, South Africa; Domini.

Batting—J. P. Furner 6-2-198-47*-0-49.50; *C. E. Catling 13-3-493-106*-1-49.30; S. P. O. Lampkin 9-1-308-120-1-38.50; G. K. Spring 12-3-177-58-0-19.66; A. W. J. Middleton 14-1-196-66-0-15.07.

Bowling—G. A. J. Tucker 153.5-45-394-28-4/14-14.07; A. A. Chmielowski 131-30-349-19-4/53-18.36; G. K. Spring 171.4-55-432-23-6/13-18.78; S. P. O. Lampkin 113-24-312-16-4/15-19.50.

WINCHESTER COLLEGE*Played 18: Won 6, Lost 8, Drawn 4, Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: K. N. Foyle

Cricket professional: I. C. D. Stuart

A good all-round team performance brought respectable results, despite the lack of consistent individual run-scoring. Edward Craig, one of several promising colts, scored the side's only century.

Wins v: PGS; Royal Green Jackets; Lord Wandsworth; I Zingari; Old Wykehamists; Berkhamsted.

Batting—N. A. Clark 17-3-480-65-0-34.28; S. J. Hollis 15-6-260-35*-0-28.88; E. D. C. Craig 12-0-326-112-1-27.16; *C. F. P. Villiers 16-1-395-69-0-26.33; J. D. Adams 16-1-348-75-0-23.20; G. C. Close-Brooks 17-2-258-52-0-17.20; S. C. Kent 15-2-186-49-0-14.30.

Bowling—T. D. S. Rathbone 168.4-28-495-26-4/32-19.03; M. H. Witcomb 112-21-370-16-5/42-23.12; G. C. Close-Brooks 263.5-45-800-30-4/52-26.66; G. W. Phillips 165.5-34-548-16-3/52-34.25.

WOODBIDGE SCHOOL*Played 16: Won 1, Lost 6, Drawn 9, Abandoned 2*

Master i/c: Rev. M. E. Percival

Win v: Norwich S.

Batting—G. A. Haggart 11-3-286-84-0-35.75; T. E. Percival 14-2-397-72-0-33.08; *B. D. Harper 14-1-394-102-1-30.30; J. E. Guest 14-1-217-39-0-16.69.

Bowling—G. A. Haggart 93.2-18-310-15-4/56-20.66; T. E. Percival 97-17-439-19-4/11-23.10; J. E. Canham 163-28-582-18-6/41-32.33.

WOODHOUSE GROVE SCHOOL*Played 15: Won 6, Lost 2, Drawn 7, Abandoned 3*

Master i/c: R. I. Frost

Cricket professional: A. Botha

Three senior boys dominated. Andrew Bairstow, son of the former Yorkshire and England wicket-keeper, scored three centuries in his 938 runs, which comfortably passed the previous record of 687, set in 1985 by Bruce Percy of Buckinghamshire. He represented English Schools and NAYC, captained MCC Schools and NCA Young Cricketers at Lord's, and played for Derbyshire Second XI. Anthony Cadman passed 500 runs, took 22 wickets and was outstanding in the field, while Ned Taylor hit 411 runs and was the leading bowler with 29 wickets, sending down a mixture of seam and swing.

Wins v: Eastbourne; Barnard Castle; Old Grovians; XL Club; Hawks CC; Headmaster's XI.

Batting—A. D. Bairstow 15-2-938-166*-3-72.15; N. B. Taylor 15-6-411-57*-0-45.66; A. M. Cadman 15-3-539-104-1-44.91; D. T. Brier 12-4-224-42*-0-28.00.

Bowling—A. M. Cadman 100.5-16-333-22-5/23-15.13; N. B. Taylor 173.1-50-453-29-6/33-15.62; R. D. Graves 149-42-378-19-4/22-19.89; A. R. Rowan 86.1-14-351-16-6/35-21.93.

WORKSOP COLLEGE*Played 16: Won 5, Lost 2, Drawn 9.*

Master i/c: C. G. Paton

Cricket professional: A. Kettleborough

The season was notable for the presence in the side of three Wilkinsons, of whom identical twins Laurence and Fergus opened the bowling with economical right-arm and left-arm medium-pace respectively. Richard Wilkinson (no relation), a right-handed batsman and off-spin bowler who has represented England at Under-15 and Under-17 levels, signed a one-year contract with the Yorkshire Cricket Academy.

Wins v: Repton; XL Club; Old Worksopians; Notts. Cross Arrows; Dinnington.

Batting—R. Wilkinson 15-0-617-147-2-41.13; C. R. Ireland 16-0-541-112-1-33.81; L. F. H. Wilkinson 16-5-346-59-0-31.45; F. W. H. Wilkinson 12-5-196-44*-0-28.00; *I. P. Jenkinson 13-1-310-57-0-25.83; D. J. Smith 16-3-244-41-0-18.76.

Bowling—C. E. Dews 68-14-214-16-4/22-13.37; L. F. H. Wilkinson 128-41-282-17-3/16-16.58; R. Wilkinson 116-32-321-15-5/34-21.40; J. W. Ireland 118.1-29-350-15-5/18-23.33.

WREKIN COLLEGE*Played 13: Won 4, Lost 1, Drawn 8, Abandoned 1*

Master i/c: M. de Weymarn

Cricket professional: D. A. Banks

Wins v: Liverpool C.; Oswestry S.; King's, Worcester; Sundowners.

Batting—*R. P. L. Burton 11-2-601-97-0-66.77; L. M. Preston 12-0-388-59-0-32.33; J. W. Marshall 12-0-279-50-0-23.25.

Bowling—I. W. McArthur 87-13-308-17-4/6-18.11; B. J. Morley 115-18-388-15-3/32-25.86; M. D. Attwood 164-28-515-16-3/60-32.18.

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