

# TODAY'S TEAMS

**FIRWOOD BOOTLE**



**ORMSKIRK**



S Patel-Ponda (1) (capt)	1	G Knight (capt)
Kris Ali (14) (wk)	2	G Lavelle (wk)
Steve Rimmer (85)	3	H Rankin
Ryan Westwell (8)	4	N Rao
Sagar Trivedi (23)	5	T Brown
Ali Andrady (47)	6	C Turner
Ivan Kriek (99)	7	G Politis
Josh Andrady (18)	8	O Griffiths
Joe Adderley (35)	9	T Bulcock
Jhangir Liaqat (11)	10	S Lees
Kieron New (10)	11	J Barnes

Alan Majewska      **Scorers**   Matthew Leigh

**UMPIRES:** Chris Williams; Royal Rajan

PURCHASE OF THIS PROGRAMME ENTITLES THE HOLDER TO  
ENTRY INTO OUR TEA-TIME DRAW

3rd MAY WINNING PROGRAM DRAW #4 WON BY *Irene Crossman*

THE 200 CLUB WINNER FOR MONTH OF MAY

WON BY *Doreen Johansson (two months on the run!!)#44*

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**1st ELEVEN  
PREMIER LEAGUE**

**SATURDAY 17th MAY 2025**

**FIRWOOD BOOTLE CC**

versus

**ORMSKIRK CC**

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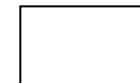
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## LOVE LANE L&DCC (as at 17/05/25)

### SECOND ELEVEN - 1st DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE 2025

	P	W	D	L	Ab/nd	Bat	Bow	Pen	Pts
Liverpool	3	3	0	0	0	10	0	0	70
Colwyn Bay	3	3	0	0	0	9	0	0	69
Orrell Red Triangle	3	2	1	0	0	14	4	0	58
<b>Firwood Bootle</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>56</b>
Ainsdale	3	2	0	1	0	8	7	0	55
Wavertree	3	1	0	2	0	5	14	0	39
Northop Hall	3	1	1	1	0	7	10	0	37
Southport Trinity	3	1	0	2	0	7	2	0	29
Old Xaverians	3	1	0	2	0	2	1	0	23
New Brighton	1	0	0	1	0	3	1	0	18
Spring View	3	0	0	3	0	6	9	0	15
Highfield	3	0	1	2	0	7	5	0	12

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS - SATURDAY 17th MAY

**AINSDALE (5pts) v LIVERPOOL (25pts)** Liverpool won by 138 runs

Liverpool 281-4 (36); Ainsdale 143 all out (38)

**FIRWOOD BOOTLE (25pts) v NEW BRIGHTON (6pts)** Firwood Bootle won by 79 runs

Firwood Bootle 231-4 dec (38); New Brighton 152 all out (30.4)

**COLWYN BAY (25pts) v SOUTHPORT TRINITY (3pts)** Colwyn Bay won by 89 runs

Colwyn Bay 210-3 (43); Southport Trinity 121 all out (40)

**OLD XAVERIANS (3pts) v NORTHOP HALL (25pts)** Northop Hall won by 8 wickets

Old Xaverians 104 all out (43.1); Northop Hall 105-2 (24)

**ORRELL RED TRIANGLE (9pts) v HIGHFIELD (7pts)** Match drawn

Orrell Red Triangle 177-9 dec (45); Highfield 141-9 (47)

**SPRING VIEW (4pts) v WAVERTREE (25pts)** Wavertree won by 6 wickets

Spring View 108 all out (29.5); Wavertree 110-4 (36.3)

# L&DCC FIXTURES 2025

## SECOND ELEVEN

Date	Opponent	Venue	Result	Points	Position
<b>26 Apr</b>	<b>Highfield</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Won, 8 wkts</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>3rd</b>
3 May	Northop Hall	Away	Match drawn	6	5th
<b>10 May</b>	<b>New Brighton</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Won, 79 runs</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>4th</b>
17 May	Liverpool	Away			
<b>24 May</b>	<b>Ainsdale</b>	<b>Home</b>			
31 May	Wavertree	Away			
7 Jun	Old Xaverians	Away			
<b>14 Jun</b>	<b>Orrell Red Triangle</b>	<b>Home</b>			
<b>21 Jun</b>	<b>Spring View</b>	<b>Home</b>			
28 Jun	Colwyn Bay	Away			
5 July	Southport Trinity	Home			
<b>12 July</b>	<b>Northop Hall</b>	<b>Home</b>			
19 July	Highfield	Away			
26 July	Spring View	Away			
<b>2 Aug</b>	<b>Southport Trinity</b>	<b>Home</b>			
9 Aug	New Brighton	Away			
<b>16 Aug</b>	<b>Liverpool</b>	<b>Home</b>			
23 Aug	Ainsdale	Away			
<b>30 Aug</b>	<b>Wavertree</b>	<b>Home</b>			
<b>6 Sept</b>	<b>Old Xaverians</b>	<b>Home</b>			
13 Sept	Orrell Red Triangle	Away			
<b>20 Sept</b>	<b>Colwyn Bay</b>	<b>Home</b>			

## NEWS AND VIEWS

Welcome to Wadham Road for today's match in the Love Lane Liverpool Competition for our Premier league fixture against Ormskirk CC. And a warm welcome to their players, officials and supporters too. We also extend a warm welcome to today's Umpires Chris Williams and Royal Rajan.

They are all going to be hard matches in the Premier league this season, so on that basis today's won't come any harder as we host the 2024 champions here. But we should take heart from our last home game v. Northern where we fought gallantly for a draw. You can read just how we managed that in the report below. And that is how all our matches must be faced this season, run for run and ball for ball. Nothing is impossible where Firwood Bootle cricket is concerned.

### **SATURDAY 3rd MAY, FIRWOOD BOOTLE v NORTHERN**

**Northern 221-5 decl. (48.4); Firwood Bootle 182-9 (46)**

#### **Match drawn**

The Liverpool Comp gave us an early fixture against rivals Northern, but it was one that we took on and didn't give an inch. A draw was probably a fair result in the end. It was one of those draws though, that at the end tasted more like a win! Towards the end of the game we were down to our last pair, so with drama to the very last ball we survived against the odds. I've also noticed something about our first two games, that they have both followed a similar pattern, because when we played our opening match, Birkenhead Park batted first and after 45 overs declared on 236-5. Then in this game Northern, like Park batted first and declared on 221-5 after 48 overs. Maybe both clubs were in the same mindset, that because we're newly promoted they both felt they could bowl us out before we could chase down our target. They were both wrong. We beat Birkenhead Park with some overs to spare, but with Northern being in the Premier league a year or two more than us recently, I don't think we were expected to hold on against them.

So here's how it panned out. Northern won the toss and chose to bat first. Kieron and Sagar were very economical early on, restricting the visitors to just 26 off the first 10 overs and taking a wicket as a bonus. Kieron continued in that vein and although he didn't claim a wicket he certainly played a part for the team bowling 14 overs for just 31 runs which included 5 maidens. Sagar had the best figures taking 3-73. Shaneil took the other two removing Liam Grey, who tried to take him on advancing down the track but was clean bowled for 54; then Tyler McGladdery another danger man also fancied his chances but quick thinking by Kris Ali had him stranded out of his crease and stumped for 36. Once they reached 220 skipper Steve Lucas called them in and declared the innings setting us a target of 222 to win.

We didn't start so well when our innings got under way, losing the first 4 wickets for 23 runs. But Ivan Kriek and Kris (who are beginning to form a good partnership in matches) made 40 runs between them. By this time, 5 wickets down there was little hope of winning but every chance of saving the match. Ivan then formed another vital partnership this time with Jhangir which reached 48 runs, before Liam Grey

had him caught behind for 36. Ivan by this time had moved on steadily into the 60s, but unfortunately Grey returned to claim his 5th wicket of the match leaving Ivan on 67 and the team on 157-8. Kieron lasted 14 balls without adding to the score. Skipper Shaneil then had young Joe Adderley join him at the crease for the last wicket and it was left to those two to save the game. Joe was guided well throughout, facing 6 nail biting overs of pace from Grey at one end and the guile and experience of Tom Sephton at the other. So the match was saved in those remaining overs with Shaneil finishing unbeaten on 17 and Joe on 6 n.o. including a boundary, so well done to him, a good experience which will stand him in good stead for the future I’m sure.

SATURDAY 10th MAY, WIGAN v FIRWOOD BOOTLE

Firwood Bootle 243-7 dec (51.3); Wigan 180-9 (46) - Match drawn

It was a healthy start to the day for Majic and myself as we filled up at the Lean Kitchen in Pemberton beforehand. The Lean Kitchen? In Wigan? It’s even more famous for pies than Rugby League! Sounds like a real contradiction doesn’t it, but it was actually very good. Once we began we maintained our unbeaten start to the league season with another draw, but this time we were on the brink of winning it, instead of last week when we performed heroics against Northern in saving the game. After losing the toss and being put in to bat, the game started slowly until Ivan was joined at the crease by Sagar with the score on 101-5. Ivan has really taken off since he joined us scoring 92 on his debut at Birkenhead Park and a vital 67 in last week’s draw with Northern. He followed those two scores with another huge one here but again just falling short of his maiden century for us, getting out on 96. Sagar played a big part too and between them they put on a stand of 132 (our biggest of the season so far). Sagar’s 73 included 5 fours and 5 sixes, that’s exactly 50 runs in boundaries, off just 65 balls. It was great to watch while at the other end when it looked like Ivan was heading for his ton with a measured performance, he must have been so disappointed to miss out. He scored 11 fours and 2 sixes off 122 balls. It has to be said that one of those sixes just happened to smash through the rear window of the Tangerine Dream Mk II. It was only 2 days old but that’s the risk when you come to watch Bootle. I missed about 3 hours play while I was trying to contact Auto Windscreens! But anyway once Sagar was out Shaneil called the declaration at 243-7. Sagar was also a big influence with the ball too ending with excellent figures of 5-51 off 16 overs, ably backed up by Jhangir, 4-64 off 13 overs. Barrow was the Wigan player who saw his team home in the final overs and managed to reach 51 not out. Boundaries were easy to score as we crowded the bat trying to claim the wicket that would give us another win but it wasn’t to be this time. So we can now look forward to the next challenge. A home game v. Ormskirk doesn’t seem so daunting now.

1ST ELEVEN KNOCKOUT  
FIXTURES 2025

THE LIVERPOOL ECHO KNOCKOUT

<i>date</i>	<i>opponent</i>	<i>venue</i>	<i>result</i>		
20 May	Rainford	Home		-	-

DIGMAN TROPHY (45 overs)

<i>date</i>	<i>opponent</i>	<i>venue</i>	<i>result</i>		
19 Apr	Highfield	Home	Won by, 7 wkts	-	-
1 June	Leigh	Away			

ECB VITALITY t20 CUP

<i>date</i>	<i>opponent</i>	<i>venue</i>	<i>result</i>		
16 May	Sefton Park	Away		-	-

ECB NATIONAL KNOCKOUT TROPHY

<i>date</i>	<i>opponent</i>	<i>venue</i>	<i>result</i>		
27 Apr	Westthoughton	Home	Lost, 123 runs	-	-

# FUNCTIONS & EVENTS

A big thank you to today's match ball sponsor



(PLEASE SEE MIKE OR SARAH FOR MORE INFORMATION)

## **\*\* FIRWOOD BOOTLE CC DRINKS OFFERS \*\***

**Buy any hot drink and get a free packet of biscuits!**

**Guinness £14 x4 pints; Dark Fruit £14 x4 pints**

**Madri £14 x4 pints; Peroni £13 x4 bottles; Budweiser £12 x4 bottles**

**NEXT MATCH AT WADHAM ROAD**

**SATURDAY 10th MAY @ 12:45 p.m.**

**L&DCC 2nd XI 1st DIVISION**

**FIRWOOD BOOTLE 2nd XI v NEW BRIGHTON 2nd XI**

## SECOND XI & OTHER CLUB NEWS

Our 2nd XI have also had an unbeaten start to their season from the first three matches, with what looked like an easy win at home to New Brighton last week. Tom Meskell dominated the innings with the bat scoring nearly half the side's runs, 108 off just 106 balls. He was well backed up by Callum McGee (46) as their opening partnership of 140 set us on the road to victory. New skipper Danny Hart played a cameo innings with a quick fire 40 n.o. Setting New Brighton 232 to win was going to be an uphill task for them as Tom and Callum did the business with the ball in their hands too. Callum took a 5 wicket haul (5-56) while in the middle of the innings Tom was handed the ball and he took no time at all clearing out the middle order finishing with figures of 4-8 off just 5 overs. A real player of the match performance as New Brighton had no answer. Bootle ended with a 79 run win to move up to 4th in the table. Today they travel the short journey to face leaders Liverpool at Aigburth, so best of luck to Danny and his team.

### 3rd XI

Bootle 3rds also had a good win last week which put them top of the 1st Division making it three wins out of three so far. Liverpool Superkings were bowled out for 145 Matthew Gillespie ending with figures of 5-31 off 8 overs. Liam Griffiths Snr (39 n.o.) and Lee Brown (35 n.o.) saw the team home for a 5 wicket win. The week before that they produced an outstanding win beating Northern 5th by 138 runs. After declaring on 192-2 (Adam McBeth 74 not out, and Lewis Duncan-Brown 87) they bowled Northern 5ths out for a sorry 54. Kumar Gurrampalli 4-10 and Lewis Duncan-Brown 3-9 doing most of the damage.

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### JUNIOR OF THE WEEK

**Congratulations from everyone at the Club to:**

***Heidi Ward*** - who took 2-17 for the Baby Belles v. Irby on Monday

***Patrick Carroll*** - who scored 33 for U15s v. Wavertree

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# L&DCC FIXTURES 2025

## FIRST ELEVEN

Date	Opponent	Venue	Result	Points	Position
26 Apr	Birkenhead Park	Away	Won, 4 wkts	20	4th
<b>03 May</b>	<b>Northern</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Match drawn</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7th</b>
10 May	Wigan	Away	Match drawn	9	5th
<b>17 May</b>	<b>Ormskirk</b>	<b>Home</b>			
24 May	Newton-le-Willows	Away			
<b>31 May</b>	<b>Rainhill</b>	<b>Home</b>			
<b>07 Jun</b>	<b>Rainford</b>	<b>Home</b>			
14 Jun	Leigh	Away			
21 Jun	Formby	Away			
<b>28 Jun</b>	<b>Colwyn Bay</b>	<b>Home</b>			
<b>05 Jul</b>	<b>Wallasey</b>	<b>Home</b>			
12 Jul	Northern	Away			
<b>19 Jul</b>	<b>Birkenhead Park</b>	<b>Home</b>			
<b>26 Jul</b>	<b>Formby</b>	<b>Home</b>			
02 Aug	Wallasey	Away			
<b>09 Aug</b>	<b>Wigan</b>	<b>Home</b>			
16 Aug	Ormskirk	Away			
<b>23 Aug</b>	<b>Newton-le-Willows</b>	<b>Home</b>			
30 Aug	Rainhill	Away			
06 Sep	Rainford	Away			
<b>13 Sep</b>	<b>Leigh</b>	<b>Home</b>			
20 Sep	Colwyn Bay	Away			

LOVE LANE L&DCC (as at 17/05/25)

### FIRST ELEVEN - PREMIER LEAGUE TABLE 2025

	P	W	D	L	Ab/nd	Bat	Bow	Pen	Pts
Ormskirk	3	3	0	0	0	5	5	0	70
Leigh	3	3	0	0	0	4	0	0	64
Rainford	3	2	0	1	0	7	6	0	53
Northern	3	1	1	1	0	9	9	0	38
<b>Firwood Bootle</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34</b>
Wigan	3	1	2	0	0	8	6	0	34
Colwyn Bay	3	1	1	1	0	4	8	0	32
Formby	3	1	0	2	0	5	6	0	31
Wallasey	3	1	0	2	0	5	5	0	30
Birkenhead Park	3	0	1	2	0	5	12	10	22
Newton-le-Willows	3	0	1	2	0	10	10	0	20
Rainhill	3	0	0	3	0	11	9	0	20

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS - SATURDAY 17th MAY

**BIRKENHEAD PARK (9pts) v COLWYN BAY (7pts) Match drawn**

Birkenhead Park 243-7 dec (46.3); Colwyn Bay 197-9 (48)

**NEWTON-le-WILLOWS (7pts) v RAINFORD (25pts) Rainford won by 28 runs**

Rainford 233-7 dec (55); Newton-le-Willows 205 all out (42.3)

**NORTHERN (6pts) v LEIGH (22pts) Leigh won by 53 runs**

Leigh 158 all out (45.5); Northern 105 all out (29)

**ORMSKIRK (25pts) v RAINHILL (3pts) Ormskirk won by 9 wickets**

Rainhill 160 all out (43.3); Ormskirk 162-1 (35.4);

**WALLASEY (2pts) v FORMBY (20pts) Formby won by 9 wickets**

Wallasey 147 all out (39.4); Formby 150-1 dec (34.3)

**WIGAN (6pts) v FIRWOOD BOOTLE (9pts) Match drawn**

Firwood Bootle 243-7 dec (51.3); Wigan 180-9 (46)