

TODAY'S TEAMS

FIRWOOD BOOTLE



NORTHERN



S Patel-Ponda (1) (capt)	1	C Laker (capt)
Kris Ali (14) (wk)	2	T McGladdery (wk)
Steve Rimmer (85)	3	S Lucas
Ryan Westwell (8)	4	L Grey
Sagar Trivedi (23)	5	B Edmundson
Ali Andrady (47)	6	D Wilson
Ivan Kriek (99)	7	S Gautam
Josh Andrady (18)	8	L Bhabra
Joe Adderley (35)	9	S McEwan
Jhangir Liaqat (11)	10	A Vincent
Kieron New (10)	11	T Sephton

Alan Majewska **Scorers** Paul Delve

UMPIRES: Paul Vandome; Peter Crook

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

27th APRIL WINNING PROGRAM DRAW WAS UNCLAIMED

THE 200 CLUB WINNER FOR APRIL

#44, WAS WON BY *Doreen Johansson*

**ANYONE WANTING TO JOIN THE 200 CLUB PLEASE SEE JACKIE
ROSE FOR MORE INFORMATION or SCAN THE CODE
FOR DETAILS**



**1st ELEVEN
PREMIER LEAGUE**

SATURDAY 3rd MAY 2025

FIRWOOD BOOTLE CC

versus

NORTHERN CC

TODAY'S MATCH SPONSORED BY:

**FIRWOOD TIMBER and
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Your number in today's draw:

FIRWOOD BOOTLE CRICKET CLUB

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LOVE LANE L&DCC (as at 03/05/25)

SECOND ELEVEN - 1st DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE 2025

	P	W	D	L	Ab/nd	Bat	Bow	Pen	Pts
Liverpool	1	1	0	0	0	5	0	0	25
Ainsdale	1	1	0	0	0	5	0	0	25
Firwood Bootle	1	1	0	0	0	5	0	0	25
Orrell Red Triangle	1	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	24
Colwyn Bay	1	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	24
Southport Trinity	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Spring View	1	0	0	1	0	3	4	0	7
Wavertree	1	0	0	1	0	2	5	0	7
New Brighton	1	0	0	1	0	3	3	0	6
Northop Hall	1	0	0	1	0	3	1	0	4
Highfield	1	0	0	1	0	3	1	0	4
Old Xaverians	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS - SATURDAY 26th APRIL

AINSDALE (25pts) v NORTHOP HALL (3pts) Ainsdale won by 71 runs

Ainsdale 201-2 dec (40); Northop Hall 130 all out (47.5)

FIRWOOD BOOTLE (25pts) v HIGHFIELD (3pts) Firwood Bootle won by 8 wickets

Highfield 130 all out (47.3); Firwood Bootle 134-2 (20.1)

COLWYN BAY (24pts) v WAVERTREE (7pts) Colwyn Bay won by 58 runs

Colwyn Bay 165 all out (40.4); Wavertree 107 all out (38.2)

LIVERPOOL (25pts) v NEW BRIGHTON (6pts) Liverpool won by 59 runs

Liverpool 189-7 dec (40.2); New Brighton 130 all out

OLD XAVERIANS (0pts) v SOUTHPORT TRINITY Southport Trinity won by 9 wickets

Old Xaverians 57 all out (28); Southport Trinity 61-1 (14.2)

ORRELL RED TRIANGLE (24pts) v SPRING VIEW (7pts) Orrell Red Triangle won by 40 runs

Orrell Red Triangle 172-8 dec (45); Spring View 132 all out (40.4)

L&DCC FIXTURES 2025

SECOND ELEVEN

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

NEWS AND VIEWS

Welcome to Wadham Road for today's match in the Love Lane Liverpool Competition for our Premier league fixture against Northern CC. welcome to their players, officials and supporters too. We also extend a warm welcome to today's Umpires Paul Vandome and Peter Crook. We're looking forward to an exciting season ahead in our return to the Premier League and I'm sure the players won't disappoint us in that respect. It's also an opportunity to refresh friendly rivalries. Northern only managed to finish runners up to Ormskirk last season so will be planning to go one better this time. It's bound to be a tough test today but I know we'll be up for it.

SATURDAY 26th APRIL, BIRKENHEAD PARK v FIRWOOD BOOTLE

Birkenhead Park 236-5 decl. (45); Firwood Bootle 240-6 (52)

Firwood Bootle won by 4 wickets

Our first game back in the Premier League for 3 years and it was like we've never been away. It was a tense and exciting finish, but which ended in victory for us with some overs to spare. Sagar Trivedi and Kieron New opened the bowling with Park's opening pair getting off to a lively start, but once they found their line and length the run rate slowed considerably. Sagar's only wicket was in this opening spell, sending opener Langford's stumps crashing. Then Kieron followed up with two more, one of them a very smart caught and bowled. Jhangir took a good catch for Kieron's first wicket, Park's danger man Mark Rowland, after earlier dropping a difficult chance which he managed to get a hand to, but couldn't quite hang on. So with Park on 35-3 at this time things were looking promising, but once Andrew Clarke got going he seemingly took the game away from us. Along with skipper Alex Harris they put on a 4th wicket partnership of 103. Jaden Rose had come on for Sagar by this time and managed to trap Harris lbw for 26, but Clarke just ploughed on helped along by Ahmad Safi Abdullah. We had two players making their league debut (Ivan Kriek and Kris Ali), who both proved their selection in the Digman Trophy with the bat last week. This time Ivan took the ball and turned his arm over for a spell. So, with Clarke just 2 runs short of his hundred Kris took a fine catch behind the stumps. Hopefully this will turn out to be a good partnership in the future... c Ali b Kriek. Clarke's 98 came off 102 balls, including 10 fours and 4 sixes.

Abdullah meanwhile took over the reins for Park and continued where Clarke left off scoring an unbeaten 64 off just 46 balls. It seemed a bit premature but at the end of the 45th over skipper Alex Harris called their players in and declared on 236-5. Maybe Birkenhead Park fancied their chances of winning this, even though it was obviously a good batting track. They were soon proved to be wrong when Ryan Westwell and Steve Rimmer walked out to the crease. Bootle old boy Chris Stenhouse opened the bowling but had no luck, Steve got off to a flying start scoring 23 runs off 24 balls. It was a solid start as they reached a 50 partnership in the 13th over. Ryan proved to be a steady partner for Steve and by the time drinks were

taken at 5:00 we were already 113 with Steve on 64 and Ryan an unbeaten 47. They motored on and hardly gave a chance away until the end of the 31st over when Westy was trapped lbw for 53. It was a fine innings in his first serious knock of the season, helping to produce a partnership of 146, which is the best they've had while playing together here. In 2022 when Steve Rimmer was at Liverpool he was part of a 110 run partnership against Northop Hall. Ryan meanwhile, in his early years at Prestatyn was involved in half a dozen or so match winning century partnerships, so he's no stranger to sticking around. His 53 came off 99 balls and included 11 fours. The umpired signalled the last 20 overs at 5:47, leaving us to hit 70 runs to win with 9 wickets remaining. The position we were in I thought made us favourites to win the match but we lost Ali Andrady and Steve in quick succession. Unfortunately Steve missed out on his maiden hundred in the Liverpool Comp when he tried an ambitious stroke which had him caught behind. Those 94 runs (his best for Bootle) were made off 104 balls including 13 fours and 2 sixes. That left the new debutants, Kris Ali and Ivan Kriek together and they got us close to the finishing line putting on a vital 41 runs. Ivan tried to win it with a mighty blow. He'd already hit a huge six, but tried one too many holing out on the boundary for 21. Kris also tried to push the score along but was clean bowled for 26, so having lost Sagar in between for 17 runs, it was becoming a tense battle by now. Having lost our big hitters it was up to Josh Andrady and Jaden Rose to guide us home winning the match by 4 wickets. I can't remember who said it, but, "if you're going to slash, slash hard" was certainly true as it paid off for Jaden turning out to be the winning run scorer.

ECB NATIONAL TROPHY

SUNDAY 27th APRIL, FIRWOOD BOOTLE v WESTHOUGHTON

Westhoughton 285-6 (40); Firwood Bootle 162 all out (32.1)

Westhoughton won by 123 runs

Westhoughton amassed a very healthy 285-6 off their allocated 40 overs in the National Knockout. Dikshanshu Negi was our chief tormentor compiling an unbeaten belligerent 125 featuring 10 fours and 7 sixes with valuable support from Jamie Bates (44), Ross Sutton (40) and Charlie Honour (28). The pick of our bowlers were Ivan Kriek who took 2-38 and Jhangir Liaqat, 2-43.

In response the visitors reduced us to a disappointing 86-6. Jaden Rose (20), Steve Rimmer (16), Kris Ali (15) and Josh Andrady (11) provided brief flourishes. Last man out Jhangir Liaqat with a defiant 43 and good back up from Danny Hart (14) and Graeme Jones (5) guided us to a respectable 162 all out from 32.1 overs at stumps.

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1ST ELEVEN KNOCKOUT

FIXTURES 2025

THE LIVERPOOL ECHO KNOCKOUT

<i>date</i>	<i>opponent</i>	<i>venue</i>	<i>result</i>		
TBA	Rainford	home		-	-

DIGMAN CUP (45 overs)

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

ECB VITALITY t20 CUP

<i>date</i>	<i>opponent</i>	<i>venue</i>	<i>result</i>		
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ECB NATIONAL KNOCKOUT TROPHY

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

FUNCTIONS & EVENTS



(PLEASE SEE MIKE OR SARAH FOR MORE INFORMATION)

CRICKET FUNNIES

“Good morning’s work for me,” said the cricket loving dentist, feeling pleased with himself. “I had them all out before lunch.”

“There’s nothing wrong with being aggressive - the bloke down the other end has a bat, some pads and a helmet!” (Simon Jones, Glamorgan)

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

The 2’s kicked off their season with a win at home to Highfield last Saturday. Highfield won the toss and put themselves in to bat and at that point was when it started to go wrong for them. Tom Meskill (4-32) and Adam Burton polishing off the tail with (4-27), on his 2nd debut returning to his home club, did most of the damage with the ball. Matty Evans chipped in with 2-7 off 6 overs. Needing 131 to win we chased it down in just 20 overs with the loss of just 2 wickets. Callum McGee top scored with an unbeaten 51 with Tom (38) and Burto (30 n.o.) continuing their good form with the bat this time to seal an 8 wicket win.

3rd XI

It was an easy start to their season at home to Wavertree. Liam Griffiths Snr and Kumar Gurrampalli both made half centuries out of Bootle’s total before declaring at 183-3. It was an imposing total that Wavertree never got close to. In reply, they only managed to post 84 before being bowled out and losing the match by 99 runs, helped by Tom Aubrey who ended with figures of 3 wickets for 9 runs in a solid performance by him.

BOOTLE BELLES

And to complete a winning weekend for the Club our opening match of the Hardball Super 8s last Sunday was a good win against South Liverpool by 52 runs. We ended on 90-2 (net score of 280) and South Liverpool ended on 63-7 (net score of 228). Highlights were Georgia Benton-Newman who got 3 wickets and also a run out with bowling figures of 3-17. Rach Thomas chipped in with bowling figures of 1-11. In terms of batting, Rach Thomas scored 23 runs which included some great boundaries in the last over!

Our next home game is another Hardball Super 8s tomorrow, Sunday 4th May, 9:30am start against Old Xavs.

JUNIORS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations from everyone at the Club to:

ADAM MORRIS - who scored 52 for the 4th XI (his first senior 50); and

BEN WARD - on his debut for 5th XI, took 3-25

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10 May	Wigan	Away			
17 May	Ormskirk	Home			
24 May	Newton-le-Willows	Away			
31 May	Rainhill	Home			
07 Jun	Rainford	Home			
14 Jun	Leigh	Away			
21 Jun	Formby	Away			
28 Jun	Colwyn Bay	Home			
05 Jul	Wallasey	Home			
12 Jul	Northern	Away			
19 Jul	Birkenhead Park	Home			
27 Jul	Formby	Home			
02 Aug	Wallasey	Away			
09 Aug	Wigan	Home			
16 Aug	Ormskirk	Away			
23 Aug	Newton-le-Willows	Home			
30 Aug	Rainhill	Away			
06 Sep	Rainford	Away			
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Leigh	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	22
Firwood Bootle	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Colwyn Bay	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Formby	1	0	0	1	0	5	4	0	9
Birkenhead Park	1	0	0	1	0	5	3	0	8
Newton-le-Willows	1	0	1	0	0	3	5	0	8
Rainhill	1	0	0	1	0	3	5	0	8
Wigan	1	0	1	0	0	5	3	0	8
Wallasey	1	0	0	1	0	1	5	0	6
Rainford	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	3

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BIRKENHEAD PARK (8pts) v FIRWOOD BOOTLE (20pts) Firwood Bootle won by 4 wkts

Birkenhead Park 236-5 dec (45); Firwood Bootle 240-6 (52)

FORMBY (9pts) v COLWYN BAY (20pts) Colwyn Bay won by 1 wicket

Formby 250-6 dec (50.2); Colwyn Bay 252-9 (49.5)

NORTHERN (23pts) v RAINHILL (8pts) Northern won by 9 runs

Northern 185 all out (54); Rainhill 176 all out (58.1)

ORMSKIRK (25pts) v RAINFORD (3pts) Ormskirk won by 134 runs

Ormskirk 267-3 dec (47.4); Rainford 133 all out (38.1)

WALLASEY (6pts) v LEIGH (22pts) Leigh won by 12 runs

Leigh 141 all out (45); Wallasey 129 all out (46.3)

WIGAN (8pts) v NEWTON-le-WILLOWS (8pts) Match drawn

Wigan 232 all out (46.4); Newton-le-Willows 183-7 (51)