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Lymington versus US Portsmouth

Is Tapper a Catholic?



Is the Pope a Slogger?

the **Editor** says . . .



This is traditionally the busiest time of the year for Lymington Cricket Club. In the next fortnight there will be an incredible twenty matches taking place either at the Sports Ground or Woodside. The early part of this coming week sees the Sports Ground host the Hampshire Under 11 Cricket Festival, while on Friday evening we take on Bashley in the re-arranged President's Cup final. This is then followed by the club's annual Cricket Week which kicks off with the hugely popular six-a-side tournament next Sunday. If you're available for the six-a-sides, or any of the matches during Cricket Week, then please put your name up on the team lists in the clubhouse.

If you're at a loose end tomorrow morning then there are two important matches that you might consider attending. At the Sports Ground Lymington Under 15s take on their counterparts from New Milton in the New Forest Cup semi-finals (10.30am), while at the same time over at Pylewell Park Tony Thorp's Under 11's face OTs & Romsey in the League Play-off final. Support for the lads would be gratefully accepted.

Today we welcome United Services to the Sports Ground for a crucial match which neither team can really afford to lose. Let's hope we see as much excitement today as we did in our last home match against Hungerford.

Late racing result just in . . .



Neil Trestrail's mount just pipped in photo finish!

Forthcoming Fixtures at the Sports Ground

Sunday July 21st	Purbrook	XSL	2.00pm
Monday July 22nd	BATS	Friendly (at Woodside)	2.30pm
Friday July 26th	Bashley	Presidents Cup Final	6.15pm
Saturday July 27th	Burrige	Hants Div 1	2.00pm
Sunday July 28th	Club Six-a-Sides		10.30am
Mon July 29 - Fri Aug 2	Cricket Week (see separate advert)		
Saturday August 3rd	Sparsholt	SPL 2	1.00pm

The story so far . . .

Week Ten

Lymington re-wrote the record books in Week Ten as they achieved the highest ever winning total for a team batting second in the Southern League. Visitors Hungerford could barely believe what was happening as Lymington successfully overhauled their huge total of 280 - and with an over to spare at that! Danny Peacock was the architect of the victory with a superb century. It was he and Neil Trestrail who turned the match on its head in a remarkable 13 over spell in which nearly 170 runs were scored. Martin Hunt and Ian Young coolly completed matters as Lymington recorded a memorable two wicket win.

The Seconds also found themselves in an exciting match at Calmore. Chasing Lymington's 169 for 7 (Peter Tapper 57, Dave Griffiths 39), the home side went into the final over needing just five runs for victory with three wickets in hand. They only managed four of them as the match finished in a tie.

The Thirds also travelled to Calmore and came away with a fifteen run victory. Defending 166 (Rev Hayes 40, Meg Gannaway 33), Lymington looked to have the match in the bag with Calmore struggling on 80 for 8. but some erratic bowling allowed the home side back into the match before Simon Judd and Adie Hunt wrapped up the match in the last two overs.

Such is the reputation of Lymington Sunday Seconds that two different sides turned up to play them on the same afternoon! Calmore may have been relieved that they let Swanmore take to the field as Martin Hunt slogged a rapid 61 not out while brother Adie compiled a rather more sedate 50. Lymington's 231 for 7 was too much for Swanmore who were happy to force a draw at 142 for 8 despite Aaron Heal's five wicket haul

Week Eleven

Last Saturday saw the club record its third clean sweep of the season.

The Firsts, after having the opposition struggling at 61 for 6, made heavy weather of beating OTs & Romsey. Martin Hunt

started the early rout with 4 for 28, before the tail wagged enough to allow the home side to total 148. Aaron Heal again produced a well disciplined batting display to guide Lymington to victory. His patient unbeaten 67 was in stark contrast to one or two of his fellow batsmen whose choice of shot left a little to be desired.

The Seconds completed the double over OTs & Romsey thanks to a

four wicket win at the Sports Ground. Tim Margetson took four wickets as OTs were bowled out for 169. Will Naylor (33) and Dave Griffiths (28) then helped Lymington reach their target for the loss of six wickets.

The Thirds continued their push up the West Three table with a 21 run win over BAT at

Woodside. Despite the Donkey Derby taking place in the adjacent field, the Reverend Hayes took 4 for 21 and Chris Noble 3 for 34 as BAT were bowled out for 115. Earlier Jerry Holt (49) and Adie Hunt (34) had guided Lymington to 136 for 7.

The Fourth's appear to have recovered from their shock defeat by Paultons. Last Saturday they recorded a comfortable victory at

Esso after restricting the home side to just 78 for 8 in 42 overs.

Last Tuesday Ryde Cavaliers were the visitors to the Sports Ground for a midweek friendly. Ben Craft showed a welcome return to form, smashing two balls clean out of the ground on his way to 110 not out, as Lymington reached 238 for 4. Aaron then took six wickets, but it wasn't enough to force the victory as the Islanders closed on 150 for 9.



*Ian Young -
clinical finisher*



*Crafty - back to
form with a ton*

Vatican gives blessing to Italian Night (sort of)

As can be seen on the front cover of this programme, our recent Italian Night was given approval from the Pope's special envoy to Lymington, Father Pietro Tappeti-Tappeti. The evening followed the usual formula (*well, if it ain't broke don't try to fix it!*) with music, games and cheap beer to keep an expectant audience happy.

On the musical front Lew Gregory flew in direct from La Scala (Cleethorpes) to perform 'O Sole Mio' and other classical Italian ditties. Meg Gannaway and Dominic Di Maria's attempt at 'That's Amore' was perhaps not quite so classy, but still pretty stirring nonetheless. Lymington's answer to Renée and Renate (Meg and Trevor) had the crowd on their feet (and out of the door!) with a rousing rendition of 'The Naples Ferry' (which sounded suspiciously like 'The Woolston Ferry').

As one might expect from an Italian Night, all the competitions were keenly fought with lots of allegations of bribery and corruption and numerous off-the-ball incidents. Unfortunately the hundred metres backward dash was cancelled when both competitors changed sides at the last minute. However, the scooter race did take place with the First & Second XIs triumphing over the combined Thirds & Fourths. Dave Coles took the honours in the Pizza Hurling contest, although were claims from fellow contestant Bob Iles that Colesy had used a banned topping. Home advantage definitely paid off in the Strega Drinking and Hairiest Armpit contests which were won by Dominic and Luigi Di Maria respectively. The final competition of the night was the Bottom Pinching Contest which saw the expert panel of judges - Kerry, Margaret Osey and Wendy Moore - examine all the exhibits at least five times before nominating Martin Gregory as the Lymington cricketer with the most pinchable bottom.

More pictures can be seen on the website: www.lymingtoncc.com.



Luigi: Hairiest armpit winner



Colesy: Pizza Hurling Champion



▲ The Bottom Pinching judges dissect the evidence. Italy triumphs in the Strega Drinking competition. ►



Robin reliant

To celebrate Robin Goff's 50th year with Lymington Cricket Club, Robin's Fourth XI captain (and drinking protogé) **Meg Gannaway** has penned an appreciation of the career of one of the club's most popular players...



At this year's Annual Dinner at Towles Restaurant, a special presentation was made to Robin Goff in recognition of this being his 50th season with Lymington Cricket Club, in addition to being named Clubman of the Year. During this period the list of activities that Robin has undertaken is both long and impressive, and continues to this day both on and off the field.

His first taste of success was perhaps back in the 1957 season, when he scored 255 runs at an average of 25.50, including 50 against Brockenhurst, to win the 2nd XI (Frank Robinson) Trophy. This was a period when Robin's career was still very much in the ascendancy and, after several more successful seasons was elected first team captain for the 1962 season.

Although Robin contributed 332 runs that season, it was not to be successful for the Club winning just 3 out of 21 matches, with 10 being lost. The following season saw Robin as vice-captain, but the runs continued to pile up - this time 406.

Given Robin's contributions to the 4th XI over the last three seasons, it is quite fitting that in 1965 he was in attendance at a meeting convened to consider the formation of a New Forest Club Cricket Association.

In 1966 Robin branched into the first of his many administrative roles, becoming Team Secretary for the newly formed Sunday XI. This did not deflect him from performances on the pitch however as he scored 472 runs at 22.4 in addition to more than 20 wickets, a feat that the Club History notes with *"change bowling [added] to his abilities as sound bat, reliable wicket-keeper and long throwing deep fielder"*. The following year, 681 runs at 23.5 were enough to secure the 1st XI (Dinham Cup) Player of the Year.

1968 brought the captaincy of the Sunday team, the same year that saw the loss through fire on an evening in May of the pavilion that had stood since 1913 (Robin denies that the two events were related). It did mean however that, pending replacement, the players had to change in beach huts provided by the Council.

After the club successfully applied for a Registration Certificate to sell drinks on match days, a Special General Meeting in 1971 approved certain necessary amendments to the club rules. It was perhaps inevitable (given his liking for

liquid refreshment) that Robin should serve on the very first bar committee. Despite this (or perhaps because of this) that season proved to be one of Robin's finest with 807 runs (including a then highest score of 95no), 20 catches and 9 stumpings to regain the 1st XI Player of the Year. To this day Robin still like the occasional (!) tippie which, when combined with the passing years, sometimes leads to enforced absences from the field whilst he makes room for the next pint.



Further personal milestones saw Robin play in the Club's first Hampshire League season in 1973. Interestingly, his old sparring (and drinking) partner Chris James was vice-captain the following year for the 2nd XI - first season of New Forest cricket.

In light of all of the above, it is perhaps surprising that Robin had to wait until 1993 to notch up his first century for the club, against Rowhams. The A&T recorded that *"Lymington elected to bat, and after the loss of an early wicket R Goff (102no) and M Gannaway (40) put on 98 for the second wicket. Goff was then joined by [Dom] Di Maria (35no) and both took the score to 198 for 2 when Lymington declared"*. It gave me much pleasure to have batted with Robin during part of this personal landmark for him because, as a young colt, Robin always had a kind and encouraging word for me. This more often than not involved him illustrating supposed similarities between our batting. At the distance of these many years I realise that these similarities were illusions that Robin used to promote my own confidence, for which I remain grateful.

(continued overleaf)

Although the years have passed, Robin keeping remains amazingly sprightly behind the stumps and this, combined with his batting, helped him to win the 3rd XI Player of the Year in 1996. It appeared that such commitment to the cause would be rewarded last season when Robin hit the winning runs against Ringwood which, at the time, we thought had won the 4th XI the New Forest Division 2 title.

Currently, when not keeping wicket for the 4th XI and Sunday 2nds (as well as, more recently, swanning off to Canada)



Robin can be seen either rolling the wicket or keeping up the club's bar profits.

And talking of bars, Lymingtonians of a certain era will remember the White Hart when it was under the distinctive tutelage of John Mayman. I recall John once opine that of all the batsmen he

had seen, the three with the most time to play their shots were Barry Richards, David Gower and Robin Goff. I can think of no finer compliment to a fine cricketer and a fine gentleman.



School of Excellence

**Monday July 29th to Friday August 2nd
9.30am to 12.30pm each day**

to be held at Lymington Sports Ground

**Boys and girls of all abilities from
8 to 13 years of age welcome to attend**

- ★ Expert tuition from ECB qualified coaches
- ★ Lots of games
- ★ Certificates for all those attending the course
- ★ Prizes for the best and most improved students

The cost is just £20 for the week or £5 per day

Forthcoming Events...

Scottish Evening - Saturday August 10th

Basically just a cheap excuse to wear a silly ginger wig and a skirt!

Once again there will be lots of typically Scottish music and games including Caber Tossing and the intriguingly titled 'Glasgow Kissing Game'. Traditional Scottish food will be on offer such as deep fried Mars Bars, deep fried pizzas, deep fried meat pies, and for the health concious amongst you - deep fried salad. It all kicks off at approximately 8.30pm. Don't forget your bagpipes!

African Night - Saturday August 17th

Following the success of our recent Irish, Aussie and Italian Nights, our final trip around the globe for this season takes us to Africa. The evening, in honour of our Zimbabwean duo of David Heppenstall and Danny Peacock, takes place on Saturday August 17th following the First XI home match with Rowledge. It will feature the usual combination of music and games, with some appropriate food and drink thrown in to boot. All club members are invited to dress up just like the Brig with khaki shorts and knee-length wooley socks the order of the day. Please note: All elephant guns must have their firing pins removed!

End of Season Party - Saturday 31st August *(strictly members only)*

Come along and celebrate the end of another great year for Lymington CC. Fun and games as well as the usual music and sing-a-longs.



Lymington Cricket Week 2002



July 28th to August 2nd

Sunday July 28th	Club Six-a-Sides	10.30am start
Monday July 29th	Holtwhites & Trinibus	2.30pm start
Tuesday July 30th	Wollaston	2.30pm start
Wednesday July 31st	Lym U24s v Addiscombe U24s	2.30pm start
Thursday August 1st	Hunton	2.30pm start
Friday August 2nd	Dartford	2.30pm start

Today's Teams

Saturday July 20th 2002

Play commences 1.00pm

LYMINGTON

Glyn Treagus 1

Aaron Heal 2

Daniel Peacock (Capt) 3

Ben Craft 4

Matt Molloy 5

Martin Hunt 6

Ian Young 7

Chris Warde 8

David Coles (Wk) 9

Trevor Phillips 10

Martin Gregory 11

Colin Cooper **Scorer** TBC

US PORTSMOUTH

Tom Clarke

Pete Andrew

James Robson

Gary Hounsome (Capt)

Damian Carson

Andrew Ainsley

Warren Gilmour (Wk)

Paul Barsby

Guy Lewis

Kelson Brooks

Brendon Regan

Umpires: TBC



Development Fund Draw - *an apology*

Apologies to Bob Treagus for the mis-print in the last Programme. We stated that Bob had won the £100 first prize in the June Development Fund Draw, when in fact Bob had won the third prize of £20. Sorry Bob - we just hope you didn't rush out to buy a new Ferarri when you read the news!

US Portsmouth

A glance at the league table below shows just how tight the situation is at the top of Division Two with United Services currently in second place, less than half a point behind the Hampshire Academy.

US have lost just twice this season, firstly to Easton & Martyr Worthy in a rain affected match back in May, and then to the Academy in a real nailbiting finish four weeks ago. The rest of their matches have been won reasonably comfortably with the exception, ironically, of their two encounters with struggling Rowledge. Earlier in the season they comfortably disposed of Lymington by 61 runs at Burnaby Road. Peter Andrew was the match-winner that day, scoring 120 as US piled up an unassailable 237.

Skipper Gary Hounsome has been the batsman in form for US this season, averaging nearly 55. Andrew (232), and the Portsmouth University pair of Tom Clarke (204) and James Robson (176) also figure in the Division Two averages. On the bowling side Damian Carson deservedly won the divisional bowling award for June and currently has 22 wickets, while veteran seamer Kelson Brooks has 14 wickets to his name.

Zimbabwean wicketkeeper Warren Gilmour, who has so far snapped up 12 victims behind the stumps, will swap his cricket bat for a hockey stick at the end of the season when he joins National League side Havant.

Although United Services probably can't boast quite as many players from the Navy as they once did, they do include Portsmouth Harbour tugboat captain Andrew Ainsley in their ranks. Andrew, however, is quick to point out that he had nothing to do with the recent HMS Nottingham rock-climbing disaster.

One final name which will be familiar to at least two Lymington members is that of all-rounder Paul Barsby. For it was Paul who was the assessor on Adie Hunt and Trevor Phillips' Level Two coaching exam last year. And anyone who saw Trevor drop that dolly at Romsey last week can only agree with Paul's decision not to award full marks for his catching demonstration!

**Scurrilous remarks courtesy of Mike Vimpany*

SPL Division Two League Table

	<i>Pld</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>Td</i>	<i>Abd</i>	<i>Bt</i>	<i>Bw</i>	<i>Pts</i>	<i>Ave</i>
Hampshire Academy	10	8	2	0	0	96	81	177	17.70
United Services	9	7	2	0	0	84	72	156	17.33
Easton & Martyr Worthy	9	7	2	0	0	84	70	154	17.11
Lymington	10	7	3	0	0	84	75	159	15.90
Winchester KS	9	4	5	0	0	48	58	106	11.78
Sparsholt	10	4	6	0	0	48	67	115	11.50
OTs & Romsey	10	3	6	1	0	42	66	108	10.80
Hungerford	10	2	7	0	1	24	59	83	9.22
Trojans	10	2	5	1	2	30	40	70	8.75
Rowledge	11	2	8	0	1	24	55	79	7.90

colts round-up...

Sponsored by Gates of Brockenhurst



Defeat puts Lymo out of title race

Lymington's hopes of reaching the Under 15s League play-off final were well and truly dashed at Ashley Sports Ground last Sunday. They fell to a seven wicket defeat in a typically stirring local derby against New Milton which fittingly, in view of Milton's impending move to a new ground, revived memories of some of the classic encounters played out between the two clubs on that ground over the years.

Judging by the state of the outfield it appeared that the groundsman had already packed up his mower and legged it over to Fernhill Lane. Fortunately none of this seemed to affect the match too much as Lymington set about building a challenging target. Craig Tapper (*right*) was the mainstay of the innings, carrying his bat for 53 not out. Ironically it probably wasn't one of young Taps' better innings as he was dropped several times and often struggled against some useful and accurate Milton bowling. Joe Rodway (*top picture*) and



Tom Bell also chipped in to take Lymington's score up to 96 for 3, although this was a little way short of the team's pre-match target.

Milton were gifted several wides from the Lymington bowlers as they began their reply, and although a sharp piece of fielding from Todd brought about the run out of Waller for 9, the home side made steady progress. Despite Rodway's brilliant return catch and Tim Saunders' smart run out, Milton were able to keep up with the required run rate as Lymington tried desperately to stem the flow of well-taken singles as well as protecting the boundaries. This they couldn't do as the impressive Bishop (46 not out) and Jackson (17 not out) eased Milton home in the penultimate over without any further loss.

Lymington have an early opportunity to gain revenge tomorrow as the teams clash again in the New Forest Cup semi-finals at the Sports Ground (10.30am).

(Under 11 report overleaf)

Colts Presentation Evening

Friday August 23rd, 7.30pm at the Sports Ground

Barbeque ★ Everyone welcome

A Team through to League Play-off Final

All roads lead to Pylewell Park tomorrow morning as Lymington A team take on OTs & Romsey in the Under 11 League play-off final.

Lymington go into the match full of confidence after a stirring 53 run victory over Bashley last Sunday. Lymington's 283 for 5 including fine batting performances from Will Thorp (25) and James Winderham (18). Matt Boynton (2 for 9) and D Young (2 for 6) then helped restrict Bash to just 230 for 6 in reply.

The previous week Lymington faced a young BAT B side. Leg spinner Tom Hill was the pick of the bowlers taking 1 for 6. A particular feature of the Lymington display was the quality of the fielding

which included two stunning catches from the aforementioned Hill. Chasing BAT's modest 211, Bargh and Thorp (7) made steady progress, although the innings was given real impetus by the third pairing of Boynton (A) (13) and Hill (17) who added 34 runs. The final pair of Boynton (M) and Lynsey-Wood (14) batted with much improved confidence to enable Lymington to close on 288.

Congratulations are due to Matthew Boynton and Jordan Thorp who played their first representative matches for the New Forest Under 10s last Sunday at Hambledon. Although the Forest came out second on the day, both of the Lymington lads performed well.

***Don't forget the Lymington School of Excellence -
July 29th to August 2nd***

We say "ASS" to Mike Vimpany! (that's 'Abbreviations Should Stop!')

Has anyone noticed the spate of abbreviations that have been creeping into Mike Vimpany's weekly Echo column? Is this a cunning ploy to save ink, or is it purely to make more room for his extended reports on Flamingos matches? Whatever the reason, we've got 'WKS' (*Winchester KS*), 'EMW' (*Easton & Martyr Worthy*), and 'OTR' (*Old Tauntonians and Romsey*) to name but three. But just recently another has emerged in the form of 'BCG'. One can only assume that this must stand for 'Bloody Cables Galore'.

Mind you, bearing in mind Lymington's recent run of results against the boys from the BCG, the occupants of that ground might well suggest that 'LSG' stands not for 'Lymington Sports Ground' but 'Lots of Sour Grapes!!!'

Lymington Six-a-Side Tournament *Sponsored by Coors*

Sunday July 28th, commencing at 10.30am

Prizes include fleeces, tee-shirts and bottles of beer

★ ★ ★ Grolsch £1 a bottle all day! ★ ★ ★