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## The CERN Years

Introduction – A brief recap 1989 - 2005:

The story behind Trafford Solicitors Cricket Club tours is well documented in Brian Whitworth's original log '*The Tours to Bellingham 1989 -2005*' which has now become Volume I. Messrs Stansfield and Crangle seemingly take the credit for getting the wheels in motion and starting what has now become the annual pilgrimage to the sleepy picturesque village of Bellingham in the North East of England. What finer venue to hold a cricket weekend, now supplemented with the annual golf tournament to precede events on the cricket field. Of the original touring party back in the summer of 1989 – 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> June to be precise, sadly as of 2022 there's only Geoff Walley and Tony Clarke still attending the weekend. It's with great sadness we've lost people along the way – none more so than Brian himself and it's with this in mind I continue to keep the records up to date – a lasting tribute to his value to the group is now detailed in the section for 2022.



**A summary of the years 1989 to 2005**

<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>Saturday Opposition</u></b>	<b><u>Saturday Result</u></b>	<b><u>Sunday Opposition</u></b>	<b><u>Sunday Result</u></b>
1989	Victorians	Lost by 205 runs	Addingham Crusaders	Result assumed lost – no record
1990	Gilmorton	Lost by 8 wkts	Addingham Crusaders	Lost by 1 run – result queried
1991	Medicals	Won by 6 wkts	Addingham Crusaders	Match Abandoned - rain
1992	Bellingham Select XI	Lost by 39 runs	Addingham Crusaders	Lost by 22 runs
1993	Mcr Planners	Lost by 34 runs	Bellingham XI	Lost
1994	Mcr Planners	Won by 7 wkts	Match 1 Aston Assoc's Match 2 Riverdale XI	Lost by 1 wkt  Won by 13 runs
1995	Mcr Planners	Lost by 16 runs	SWF CC	Lost by 41 runs
1996	Mcr Planners	Lost by 14 runs	Unknown XI	Result unknown
1997	Mcr Planners	Lost by 6 wkts	No Record	
1998	Mcr Planners	Won by 44 runs	Windermere Motor Boat Racing Club	Not Recorded
1999	Mcr Planners	Lost by 10 wkts	No Record	
2000	Mcr Planners	Lost by 110 runs	2 inns match v Mcr Planners	Lost by 9 wkts
2001	Mcr Planners	Lost by 28 runs	Mcr Planners	Lost by 31 runs
2002	Mcr Planners	Won by 5 wkts	Mcr Planners	Lost by 108 runs
2003	Mcr Planners	Won by 3 wkts	Mcr Planners	Won by 13 runs
2004	Mcr Planners	Lost by 4 wkts	Mcr Planners	Won by 13 runs
2005	Alpine Horns (CERN)	Won by 4 wkts	Civil Service	Lost by 4 wkts



## **THE CERN YEARS 2005 to 2022** (and counting!)

*For continuity I've reproduced the version of events for 2005 from Volume I. From 2006 I've had to rely upon the score books, fading memory and with kind permission from John Osborne the records, stats and match reports and photos from CERN's excellent web site found at <http://cern.ch/cricket/>*



Trafford Solicitors C. C. sporting their newly presented Bellingham 2005 tour caps.

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## **Bellingham - 2005.**

### **Tourists**

Hoban M. Hilton G. Whitworth B. Walley G. Morgan G. Gunter S. Walley C. Clarke  
M. Marshall P. Marshall A. Hosty B. Corrie R. Fellows N. Clarke A. Shipley M.  
Whitworth N. Hosty D. and Parkes A. (18)

### **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2005 – TSA v Apline Horns (CERN)**

A Horns (CERN) 114

TSA 118 – (Gunter 24, Walley G 20, Clarke A 4 – 14, Clarke M 3 – 29,)

### **Result**

TSCC won by 4 wickets

### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2005 – TSA v Civil Service**

TSA 218 (Hoban 66, Gunter 49 n.o., Clarke M 3 – 33)

Civil Service 222 – 6

### **Result**

Civil Service won by 4 wickets

### Summary – 2005.

Who to play in 2005 the Manchester Planners having faded away but TSA numbers at record level of 18 tourists. The captaincy having finally (after 40 years and still not in the birthday honours list) past to the rightful heir apparent Walley C – like Charles P himself now no spring chicken – the new skipper was threadbare of ideas. The (now) life president scanned his many international contacts before coming up with a team playing in the Swiss Alliance, CERN or Alpine Horns as they style themselves.

With 18 on tour (only Lilley and Chapman out from last year and Fellows, Hosty D and Corrie returning along with new boy Adie Marshall) the new captain had a selection headache. 12 were selected with Hosty B umpiring and 5 others sent golfing! CERN batted first and thanks to some brilliant bowling by Tony Clarke (4 – 14) Matt Clarke (3 – 29), Neil Fellows (2 – 18) and Paul Marshall 1 – 14 each off 7 - 8 overs) CERN were kept to a low total (114). The runs were knocked off fairly easily by TSA, five players going into double figures and the match was won by 4 wickets.

It was a big evening hosting our new “foreign” friends (mostly in fact ex-Geordies) with music by “Levi” (who proved very popular especially with Alpine Hornist Robbie Saunders with assistance from Adie Marshall). International caps were presented to all TSA tourists and these will prove valuable mementoes as the years pass.

On the Sunday the president (on returning from golf) was aghast to hear the team, in his absence, had been defeated by local minnows Civil Service by 4 wickets. Despite spanking knocks by Hoban (66) and Gunter (49 not out) and the opposition in reply, seemingly in disarray, a fat dishevelled tyke who could hardly move (described as “Lurch”) had apparently smashed 65 late runs (mostly off Clarke A and Marshall P it must be said) to snatch victory against us in the last over. Very poor!

Thus concluded our 17<sup>th</sup> year on tour. With apologies for errors and thanks to Les Cooper.

Brian Whitworth 2005.

***And this is where the story continues with apologies to anyone I've missed from the touring parties as I only have the score sheets and the odd photo to indicate who attended .....***

## **Bellingham - 2006.**

### **Tourists**

Clarke A. Clarke M. Cooper L. Corrie R. Fellows N. Fellows P. Hilton G. Hoban M.  
Hosty B. Lilley M. Marshall P. Morgan G. Shipley M. Walley C. Whitworth B.  
(assumed present Hosty B). (15)

### **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2006 – TSA v CERN**

CERN 187 for 8 (M Elliot 56, C Onions 30, E Shyns 42 not out) (M Lilley 2 for 15 off  
6, M Clarke 2 for 27 off 8)

TSCC 160 for 11 (C Walley 56, L Cooper 36) (C Onions 4 for 21 off 8, M Elliot 3 for  
30 off 8)

### **Result**

CERN won by 27 runs.

### **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2006 – TSA v CERN**

TSCC 103 for 12 (seemingly Lilley M batted twice !) (Clarke M 30)

CERN 106 for 6 (Campbell R 25 n.o.)

### **Result**

CERN won by 6 wickets.

## Summary - 2006

2006 was the season Trafford Solicitors C. C. 'came of age' and entered the South Manchester Casual League - a momentous step from playing mid-week friendlies. It also marked Les Cooper's off season transfer from the defunct Manchester Planners C.C. to bolster the TSCC squad and indeed he made a 'ghost' appearance at Bellingham – from memory he hadn't been included in the accounting when the final bill was presented by the hotel, thereby the rest of the team benefitted from his share of the payment.

It appears this was a twelve a side match – with both teams having a surplus of players. CERN batted first with Keith Goodyear falling cheaply in the fourth over. M Elliot and Chris Onions put on a 50 partnership which was broken by Mark Lilley who had Chris caught by Matt Clarke. As wickets were falling periodically at one end, Emile Shyns had dug himself in much to the consternation of his team mates but his dogged batting wore down the Solicitors bowling attack while he accumulated 42 runs undefeated at the close of the innings.

In reply, TSCC battled their way through 38.2 overs in the run chase with the ever reliable Chris Walley eventually bowled by Chris Onions for 56 and Les Cooper making a determined contribution, but CERN took some crucial wickets cheaply to ensure they were always in control of the match.

In what has now become accepted practice for the Sunday match, both teams agreed to reverse their batting and bowling line up in order to give much needed time at the crease for some of the participants who perhaps don't get the chance to shine in the premier match of the weekend – i.e. Saturday's fixture. It appears from the score book this may well have been a thirteen a side match with Mark Lilley putting on the pads twice!

TSCC, batting first, rolled back the years with an opening partnership of Whitworth B and Shipley M. Alas Brian was the first to depart after surviving 15 deliveries for a single boundary 4. 'Ships' soon followed for a solitary run also facing 15 balls. Paul Marshall put up a spirited defence but it was Matt Clarke who hit a belligerent 30 in typical fashion together with Martin Hoban and latterly Neil Fellows to push the score to 3 figures.

CERN accumulated their required runs gradually over 24 overs as our regular wicket keeper Martin Hoban seized his opportunity to open the bowling with a creditable return of 2 for 12 off 6 overs.







Oh dear – Paul!



## **Bellingham 2007.**

Sadly it appears that the weekend of 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> June 2007 was completely washed out. In the absence of an entry in the score book it's not possible to identify who toured this time. 2007 however was TSCC's first appearance in the League's Cup Final. We went down to NWRHA who seemingly bolstered their side with faces not seen previously nor since!

So, how can you keep a group of cricket enthusiasts entertained in the middle of nowhere when the weather prevents you from doing what was intended? Well there's the bar of course and indoor swimming pool together with a sauna, but that won't keep a restless crew at bay for long. Some perhaps used the opportunity to take in a couple of extra rounds of golf, but I for one think playing golf in the rain isn't very enjoyable. This part of the North East of England sits on the edge of the Kielder Forrest and reservoir, so maybe there's an opportunity get out and explore the countryside, perhaps Hadrian's Wall at Housesteads, while nearer to base in Bellingham which as you'll be aware is on the route of the Pennine Way. Alfred Wainwright in his book '*Pennine Way Companion – A Pictorial Guide*' writes of Bellingham "***Bellingham (pron. Bellinjam) a large village in pleasant surroundings, is the 'captial' of the North Tyne valley. It has shops, hotels, busses and a disused railway station, an attractive waterfall nearby and a fine river. Accommodation is obtainable and there is a youth hostel. It is the last shopping centre on the route going north, and, with 45 miles still to do, an obvious place for a final stock-taking***". Bearing in mind he wrote this book in 1967 I can't recall seeing a bus pass by! He went on to record of the attractive waterfall "***The scenic showpiece of Bellingham is the lovely waterfall of Hareshaw Linn and the charming walk to it through a long wooded glen, traversed on a good pathway with six footbridges. This walk is marked out as a nature trail***". For the uninitiated I can fully recommend this walk to while away the odd hour or so in the event of no cricket. The adjacent North Tyne River offers plenty of fishing, but if none of this seems attractive to the frustrated cricketer, then I guess the only thing left to do is a pool and darts competition in the Black Bull!



## **Bellingham 2008.**

Unfortunately CERN were unsuccessful in raising sufficient numbers to bring over a touring party – given the wet weather of 2007 who could blame them, but I'm sure they tried very hard to convince people the north of England's inclement weather wasn't always as wet as it was in 2007.

Not to be deterred, Brian desperately searched and scoured all possible contacts to try and raise some opposition, but it was to no avail. However, with those already committed and willing to travel plus 3 or 4 recruits from Outcasts C.C. we managed to muster enough bodies to form two sides. Yet again, there's no record of this weekend but TSCC fortunes were on the up and better things were to come in the following seasons.



## **Bellingham - 2009.**

### **Tourists**

Clarke A, Clarke M, Cooper L, Fellows N, Fellows N, Hilton G, Hoban M, Hosty B, Jarath M, Jarath S, Lilley M, Marshall A, Marshall P, Morgan G, Walley C, Walley G, Whitworth B. (17)

### **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2009 – TSA v CERN**

TSCC 232 – 9 (Walley C 56, Hoban M 53, Jerath S 38)

CERN 235 – 10 (Osborne J 55, Elvin T 86, Marshall A 4-48, Clarke A 3 – 21)

### **Result**

Cern won by 4 wickets.

### **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2009 – TSA v CERN**

TSCC 117 – 11 (Marshall P 42, Goodyear T 5 – 3 off 3.3)

CERN 119 – 0 (Campbell R 42 n.o., Elliot M 63 n.o.)

### **Result**

CERN won by 12 wickets.



## **Summary – 2009.**

*(The TSCC score book for seasons 2009 and 2010 seems to have been mislaid – however courtesy of CERN's web site we are able to gather information that would have otherwise been impossible.)*

With a surplus of players (16), it was agreed we played a 14 a side match Messrs Whitworth and Fellows P making up the numbers for CERN. TSCC batting first didn't get off to a great start – Hilton falling second over for one, but a steady partnership between Hoban and Suni Jerath accumulated a stand of 94 before Suni was caught by a stunner from Chris Onions. A further partnership of 76 for the 8<sup>th</sup> wicket between Chris Walley and Mani Jerath was broken when Mani was caught – Chris going on to score another tour half century as the innings closed on a creditable and defensible 232.

In reply, CERN had John Osborne 55 and Tim Elvin 86 to thank for getting them towards the target but it was left to Tim Goodyear to hit the winning runs and get CERN over the line in a tight finish.

## **Sunday**

35 overs was the agreed match format. TSCC batting first again opened with Hoban and Clarke A. The first wicket (Hoban 20) went down at 31 and following wickets were lost at regular intervals. Paul Marshall with a creditable 42 did his best to push the score along but he eventually succumbed to Tim Goodyear's 'mystery' bowling who took a 5 wicket haul.







Apologies for the quality of the photo – blame the photographer!

### **A View from the Other Side.**

Reproduced CERN's match report by kind permission.

CERN CC in Bellingham on June 27th/28th, 2009

All logistical records were broken in the organization of attempting to get 11 CERN cricketers from four different countries to the North East of England, for the 4th CERN trip to Newcastle/Bellingham. Planning didn't get off to a good start, when Elvin reported in with kidney failure early Thursday morning. Luckily, this later turned out to be a kidney infection and so Elvin was able to set off for the long drive to the UK with team kit and cat safely on board. Elvin's run of good luck continued when his brand new car broke down in Kent, but after long negotiations, a hire car materialized and Elvin eventually made it to the North, just one day late. Luckily, the kit was not needed for the Friday evening match against Gateshead Fell, as the pitch was fog bound! The UK heat wave and blistering temperatures had unfortunately not reached as far as Newcastle. Luckily the fog cleared (replaced with drizzle) to allow the main match to start on the Saturday afternoon up at Bellingham, not far from Hexham. The Trafford Solicitors won the toss and decided to bat first. As Trafford had an excess of players, it was agreed to play 14-a-side with President Whitworth and Fellows playing for CERN. The threat of having to wear a school girls wig for any fielding error,



concentrated the minds of the CERN team. Poor McNaught (tour virgin) was forced to wear the wig for a record first 10 overs of the match, due to some tight fielding and bowling. Later in the innings, the wig started to change hands at the usual pace, due to some pathetic fielding. One of the notable efforts was a spectacular dive from R. Osborne to stop a ball that whizzed by at least 20 yards from the point of impact. One exceptional deviation from this was a marvellous diving right handed catch from Onions, rolling back the years. With two of Trafford's players (Hoban and Lillee) passing the 50 mark, they scored a respectable 232 for 9 off the 45 overs with 9 CERN players having a bowl. CERN opened their innings with Captain J. Osborne and Campbell. Campbell was caught at point without troubling the scorers, and then a couple of quick wickets fell until 'Lucky' Elvin came to the crease. Osborne and Elvin took the total to 142 before Osborne was brilliantly caught at mid-wicket. Elvin went on the make 86, with the winning runs being hit by T. Goodyear in a tense finish to a splendid afternoon's cricket. The match on Sunday was limited to just 35 overs, due to the fact that some players had to leave to catch flights. If Saturdays fielding was pathetic, Sundays was absolutely abysmal with at least 7 dropped catches by CERN. Trafford again batted first and were all out for 117, T. Goodyear the pick of the bowlers with 5 wickets for 3 runs off 3.3 overs! (Goodyear's first 5 wicket haul since 1996) CERN opened the batting with Elliott and Campbell and very quickly knocked off the runs in 11 overs without losing a wicket. Elliott (63 not out) was in particularly good form, dispatching at least one ball into the North Tyne. Thanks go to match manager J. Osborne for organizing such a successful weekend, despite the miserable weather.



## **Bellingham - 2010.**

### **Tourists**

Clarke A, Cooper L, Fellows N, Fellows P, Hoban M, Hosty B, Marshall A, Morgan G, Lilley M, Rigby S, Walley G, Whitworth B. (12)

### **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2010. TSCC v CERN**

TSCC 130 for 10 (Lilley M 37 not out, Goodyear T 4 for 7 off 4.2, X Stucki 3 for 14 off 4)

CERN 134 for 3 (Elvin T 34, Goodyear 32 not out.)

### **Result**

CERN won by 7 wickets.

### **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

TSCC 179 for 7 (Hoban 61, Fellows N 44, Barrett M 3 for 40)

CERN 179 for 5 (J. Osborne 104)

### **Result**

Match Tied

### Summary - 2010.

Apparently short on numbers in 2010. Steve Rigby – a mate and former colleague of Les putting in an appearance despite never having played cricket before and knowing little of the game! CERN equally seemed to have a player short in their squad as the score sheet records the name Cocker J in their team!

Little can be written about this match or indeed the Sunday fixture suffice to say that the match report provided by CERN's very eloquent reporter has done a marvellous job, leaving nothing for me to add in this summary.



## **A View from the Other Side.**

# **Report on the CERN CC tour to Bellingham in June 2010**

Prepared by M. Barrett on behalf of the CERN Cricket Club

July 6, 201

## **Abstract**

The CERN cricket club [1] conducted its first tour of 2010 on the weekend of the 26th to the 27th June. The weekend consisted of two cricket [2] matches, both against the Trafford Solicitors cricket club. The first on Saturday was a 40 over contest, and the second on Sunday used a shorter format of 30 overs per side.

## **Location and Playing Conditions**

The CERN team travelled from Geneva [3], to the village of Bellingham [4] in Northumberland, by trains, planes and automobiles. It was the fourth time that CERN CC had undertaken a tour to Bellingham, the first having been in 2006. Only one member of the team was unable to complete the journey, owing to flight delays and missed connections. The team was based at the Riverdale hall hotel [5], which also provided the cricket pitch for both games. The grass pitch provided new challenges for the team, more familiar with the artificial wickets of Switzerland.

The weather also proved somewhat alien — the usual driving rain and chilling temperatures were replaced by blue skies and brilliant sunshine for the first time in the recorded history of this tour. A few light showers on Saturday afternoon tried to remind the players that they were in the North of England rather than Antigua or Trinidad, but there was no dampening their spirits.

The opposition was from the Trafford Solicitors Cricket Club (TSCC), who had travelled from Manchester[6] for the weekend. They cunningly gained an early advantage over CERN by turning up with a full team of 11 players.

## **Saturday**

A traditional Full English breakfast preceded a pleasant riverside walk and stroll through the village where the players eagerly took the chance to partake of some healthy nourishment from the local purveyor of fine pastry products. The cricketers convened shortly after noon for the first of the weekends encounters, the 40 overs per side match. To replace their missing team member, hotel owner John Cocker [7] offered to play for the CERN side — an offer they gratefully accepted.

## **Trafford Solicitors Innings**

Trafford Solicitors would have the first opportunity to bat on the freshly rolled track, and sent Hoburn and Marshall out to open the innings. Jason Wall opened the bowling for CERN, causing early problems with his accurate pace bowling. A fine edge racing to the boundary for four, was followed up by a ball that just clipped the top of the stumps for an early breakthrough in an eventful first over.

Wall and Onions continued to bowl tidily at Hoburn and new batsman Neil Fellows, bowling three maidens in the first eight overs. The fast outfield however meant that the batsmen were able to get full value for their shots, and exercise the fielders on the boundary.

A double change brought the Goodyear brothers on to bowl in tandem, and brought immediate reward as Tim Goodyear removed Hoburn for 14. Three wickets then fell in three overs, as both brothers sent batsmen back to the pavilion. CERN wicket keeper Elvin taking a fine second catch of the game as Fellows fell for 22, and Trafford had moved from 50 for 2, to 54 for 5.

New batsmen M. Lilley and Paul Fellows set about building a partnership against the bowling of Cocker and Barrett. Cocker using all his guile to tempt the batsmen, forcing them to play very watchfully, until a missed drive saw Fellow's stumps rearranged. He fell for 16, and helped move the score onto 88.

Having acclimatised to batting, Lilley now started to play some more shots to up the run rate. Wickets continued to fall at the other end however. Xavier Stucki was introduced to the attack, picking up a wicket in each of his first three overs. The first and second were both caught and bowled — the second juggled before being cleanly held, though was never in doubt.

Stucki had earlier become very hot and bothered by the fact that there had not been a single fielding mistake by the CERN team for the first 25 overs, easily annihilating the previous record of 10 overs from the last tour [8]. Doubts that this extraordinary trend would be continued (into the next day) however proved well founded.

The return of Tim Goodyear brought the innings to a close in the 32nd over, the final wicket taking his figures to an impressive 4-7. Trafford had amassed a total of 130 runs, with Lilley remaining unbeaten on 37, his 7 boundaries including one maximum.

Details of the Trafford Solicitors batting are shown in table 1, while the CERN bowling figures are shown in table 2. The number of runs scored per over is shown in figure 1.

### **CERN Innings**

Despite almost two minutes of rain falling during the interval, temperatures remained very warm, and both teams were glad to be able to take tea, and make use of the hotel's bar, if only for the opportunity to get some ice.

Following the success of the Goodyear brothers with the ball, CERN sent the Osborne brothers (John and Richard) out to open batting against Trafford's new ball pair of Cooper and Marshall. John started off the more aggressively, hitting three commanding boundaries before losing his middle stump in Marshall's second over.

New batsman Elvin was not in the mood to defend for long, and continued with the intent that John had shown, while Richard played the anchor role, muted cheers coming from the pavilion when he surpassed his brother's total. CERN reached 50 in the 9th over, reaching the milestone ahead of the required run rate.

Needing to take wickets Trafford brought Clarke on to bowl, his first ball was helped on its way to the boundary by Elvin. But two balls later the change worked as the ball found its way past the CERN captain, who departed for a quickly struck 34. Keith Goodyear was next to the crease, building a solid partnership with Richard, and the bowlers slowed down the scoring rate, Clarke joined by the Fellows brothers on bowling duties. It was Paul who got the next breakthrough, having Richard stumped for 23 after having batted for exactly an hour.

CERN's 100 arrived in the 22nd over, and with Keith having settled at the crease, and new man Wall looking to play a few shots, only a further four and a half overs were required before Keith hit the winning boundary. He finished on 32, with Wall having made a sprightly 23.

Details of the CERN batting are shown in table 3, and the Trafford bowling figures are shown in table 4. The number of runs scored per over is shown in figure 2. The integrated number of runs scored by each side is shown in figure 3.

Following the conclusion of the match, the players took the opportunity to make use of the hotel facilities, or swim in the river in order to cool down. A visit to a local hostelry allowed everyone to slake their well earned thirsts, and demonstrate their proficiency with pool cue, or at the dart board.



A thoroughly delightful dinner in the hotel restaurant was followed by a lively evening in the bar, where live music was provided with an antipodean flavour. To add to the atmosphere an enthusiastic member of the Trafford team joined in, performing some enchanting Mancunian and Liverpoolian ballads, which were well received by all present. The music was easily the match of contemporaneous events in Somerset.

Though the festivities threatened to go on late into the night, the cricketers were mindful of the fact that there was another game to play, starting early the next morning.

Table 1: Saturday: Trafford Solicitors batting card.

Batsman		Runs	Minutes	Balls	Fours	Sixes	Strike Rate
M. Hoburn	c. Elvin b. T. Goodyear	14	35	-	2	0	-
A. Marshall	b. Wall	4	5	-	1	0	-
N. Fellows	c. Elvin b. T. Goodyear	22	50	-	2	1	-
G. Walley	c. J. Osborne b. T. Goodyear	4	15	-	0	0	-
A. Clarke	b. K. Goodyear	1	3	-	0	0	-
M. Lilley	not out	37	62	-	6	1	-
P. Fellows	b. Cocker	16	27	-	3	0	-
L. Cooper	c & b. Stucki	2	2	-	0	0	-
B. Whitworth	c & b. Stucki	2	5	-	0	0	-
G. Morgan	c. J. Osborne b. Stucki	0	10	-	0	0	-
S. Rigby	c. Onions b. T. Goodyear	0	10	-	0	0	-
	Extras	28					
	Total	130	all out				

Table 2: Saturday: CERN bowling statistics.

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Economy
J. Wall	4	1	15	1	3.75
C. Onions	7	2	29	0	4.14
T. Goodyear	4.2	1	7	4	1.62
K. Goodyear	4	0	16	1	4.00
J. Cocker	4	0	14	1	3.50
M. Barrett	4	0	16	0	4.00
X. Stucki	4	1	14	3	3.50

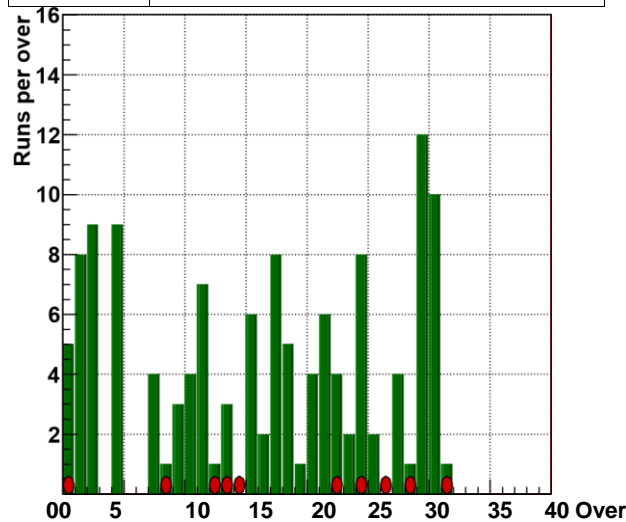


Figure 1: Saturday: Runs scored per over during the Trafford Solicitors innings. Red circles indicate the fall of a wicket.

Table 3: Saturday: CERN batting card.

Batsman		Runs	Minutes	Balls	Fours	Sixes	Strike Rate
J. Osborne	b. Marshall	13	10	-	3	0	-
R. Osborne	stumped b. P. Fellows	23	60	-	2	1	-
T. Elvin	b. Clarke	34	25	-	7	0	-
K. Goodyear	not out	32	45	-	7	0	-
J. Wall	not out	23	20	-	3	0	-
Extras		9					
Total		134	for the loss of 3 wickets				

Table 4: Saturday: Trafford bowling statistics.

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Economy
L. Cooper	5	1	26	0	5.2
A. Marshall	6	0	33	1	5.5
A. Clarke	7	1	26	1	3.71
N. Fellows	3	0	19	0	6.33
P. Fellows	4.3	0	25	1	5.56

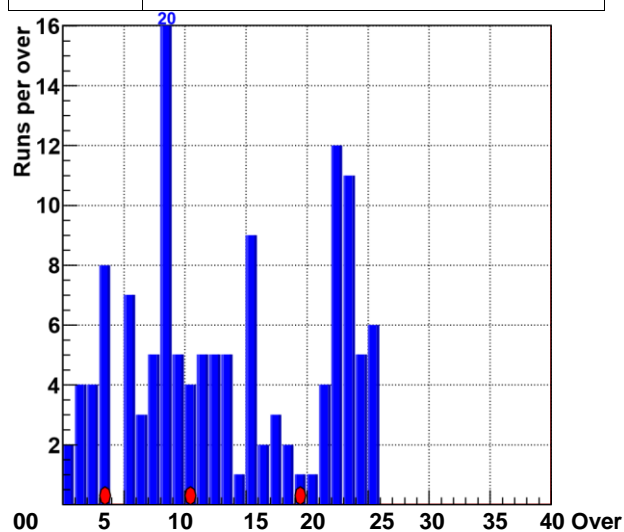


Figure 2: Saturday: Runs scored per over during the CERN innings. Red circles indicate the fall of a wicket.

## Sunday

The start time on Sunday was brought forward due to an unexpected time constraint which had arisen on Sunday afternoon, which also reduced the number of overs available for each side to 30. The coin was tossed shortly after breakfast had finished, the Trafford captain calling correctly, and for the second day in succession they would be batting first.

CERN would be facing this match with only 9 players, Richard Osborne having left, and John Cocker unable to play — though he was able to perform umpiring duties. Trafford generously gave CERN one of their fielders during their innings to ameliorate the effects of the loss of players.

The weather again passed all expectations, a small number of ominous looking clouds could not hide the blue skies and moved on during the day.

### Trafford Solicitors innings

Adopting the tactic trialled by CERN the day before, Trafford chose brothers to open their innings — Paul and Neil Fellows striding to the crease to face Wall and Tim Goodyear. In contrast to the safe hands demonstrated the previous day, when they took every catch on offer, CERN put down three catches inside the first three overs, though two were put down behind the stumps following very difficult deflections. Seeing off the new ball pair, while scoring at a steady rate, the Fellows had moved the score on to 42 before first-change bowler Onions struck in the 12th over, dismissing Paul for 9. New batsman Hoburn was determined to lift the scoring rate, as he and Neil started finding the boundary more regularly, the score standing at 74/1 when drinks were taken at the halfway point of the innings.

CERN used the opportunity afforded by the drinks break to change wicket keeper, Elvin coming out from behind the stumps, with Stucki donning the pads and gloves. Before Elvin could bowl his first over of the tour however, Onions struck for his second wicket, Keith Goodyear taking a fine catch as Neil's innings was ended six runs short of a half century.

The platform having been built, Trafford now stepped up a gear, fine shot placement and a quick outfield getting the better of some tired legs, as the runs started to flow. Marshall made 21 in rapid fashion before holing out in the deep to give Keith his second catch.

Hoburn continued to score freely, and brought up a well deserved half century with a well run two, celebrating by smashing his first six just after. Looking for a similar result he then missed a straight delivery from Barrett, departing as top scorer for 61.

Barrett finished with 3 wickets, the third coming about from a very sharp take to a thin edge by Stucki standing up to the stumps. In a piece of inspired captaincy, there was still time for John Osborne to bowl the final over, his reluctance to bowl previously finally overcome. This masterstroke led to two wickets in two balls as John defeated the defences of both batsmen to rearrange their stumps. The hat-trick ball nearly found its mark as well, what must have been a very close lbw shout being turned down by the umpire.

Trafford Solicitors closed on 179/7, with Clarke remaining not out on 26. To win CERN would need to score 180 runs at a rate of exactly 6.00 runs per over.

Details of the Trafford Solicitors' batting are shown in table 5, and the CERN bowling figures are shown in table 6. The number of runs scored per over is shown in figure 4.

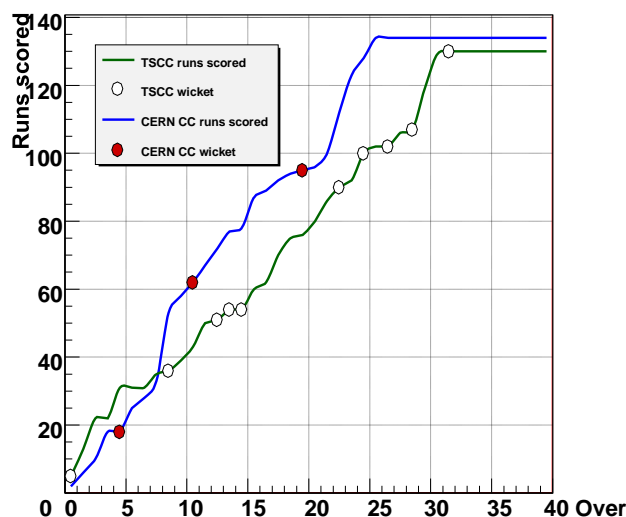


Figure 3: Saturday: Comparison of the integrated number of runs scored by each side during the match.

Table 5: Sunday: Trafford Solicitors' batting card.

Batsman		Runs	Minutes	Balls	Fours	Sixes	Strike Rate
N. Fellows	c. K. Goodyear	44	60	-	6	0	-
P. Fellows	b. Onions	9	35	-	1	0	-
M. Hoburn	b. Barrett	61	60	-	9	1	-
A. Marshall	c. K. Goodyear	21	25	-	2	1	-
A. Clarke	b. Barrett not out	26	25	-	5	0	-
B. Whitworth	c. Stucki	4	10	-	1	0	-
L. Cooper	b. Barrett b. J. Osborne	7	1	-	1	0	-
S. Rigby	b. J. Osborne	0	0	-	0	0	-
M. Lilley	not out	0	3	-	0	0	-
	Extras	7					
	Total	179	for the loss of 7 wickets				

Table 6: Sunday: CERN bowling statistics.

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Economy
J. Wall	6	0	22	0	3.67
T. Goodyear	4	1	18	0	4.50
C. Onions	6	0	21	2	3.50
X. Stucki	2	0	26	0	13.00
T. Elvin	6	0	46	0	7.67
M. Barrett	5	1	40	3	8.00
J. Osborne	1	0	2	2	2.00

### CERN Innings

After another excellent cricket tea, CERN set out to chase down their target, with John Osborne and Keith Goodyear chosen to open. John following the Captain's advice to get a look at the bowling before playing any shots by smashing the first ball of the innings to the boundary. Keith was content to play a more circumspect innings, waiting for the bad balls, and trying to rotate the strike, while John played with more freedom at the other end.

The bowling war initially tight, with only sixteen runs coming from the first five overs. The runrate was doubled in the next five overs, and then continued up until drinks. Keith was unfortunately forced to retire due to injury, to be replaced by Onions, as the score moved on to 83 runs without loss at the midway point of the innings.

The over before had seen John launch two huge sixes, the second of which was found bobbing in the middle of the nearby river. The match resumed with a replacement ball, though Elvin determined that he would rescue the original, and did so after checking that there were no passers-by around to witness this feat.

Having passed his half century, John pressed on to record the first century of the season for CERN, a well-timed innings that included fourteen fours to go alongside the two maximums. He fell for 104 to a good catch on the boundary by Cooper, from the bowling of Neil Fellows. The first wicket partnership (featuring three batsmen) of 152 was only 26 runs short of CERN's record first wicket partnership [9], and immediately had statisticians pondering if it was a record for a touring CERN side.

Onions fell in the next over, stumped off the bowling of Hoburn for 28, leaving CERN still needing 21 from the last three overs. Three fours from Stucki in the antepenultimate over saw the asking rate greatly reduced, and five runs from the 29th over left CERN needing two runs from the final over for victory.

Marshall bowled the final over of the innings, with Tim Goodyear initially on strike, and Stucki at the non-strikers end. An attempted quick single from the first ball saw Stucki stranded midpitch, and though there was some confusion about the resulting run out, he had to go. A dot ball second up was followed by another breakthrough, as Marshall snaffled a catch off his own bowling to dismiss Tim.

The single that brought the scores level was scored from the fourth ball, but a second dot ball left 1 run needed from 1 ball. The tension was palpable as Mashall ran in for the final delivery — the batsman punched the ball away, but was unable to pierce the infield, an accurate throw facilitating the run out, as incredibly the match finished in a tie.

It was a fitting end for an excellent weekend of cricket, that had been played with an excellent spirit, and sense of sportsmanship by both teams, and though the result may have been a tie, cricket was the real winner.

The cricket completed, those players facing long journeys set off for their destinations, leaving the others to settle down for a relaxing couple of hours in the TV room of the hotel, or to debate optoelectronic analysis of one-dimensional projections of spatial thresholds applied to spherical kinematics.

Details of the CERN batting are shown in table 7, and the Trafford Solicitors' bowling figures are shown in table 8. The number of runs scored per over is shown in figure 5.

## **Result**

Two matches had been played during the weekend in Bellingham. The first match was a 40 over contest; replying to the score by Trafford Solicitors of 130 all out, CERN CC made 134/3 to win by 7 wickets. The second match was limited to 30 overs per side, and produced a much tighter encounter. Trafford Solicitors made 179/7 from their overs, which CERN were unable to overhaul, as they finished with exactly the same number of runs in a thrilling tie. Arguably the most important result of the weekend though was that everybody who participated had a fantastic time.

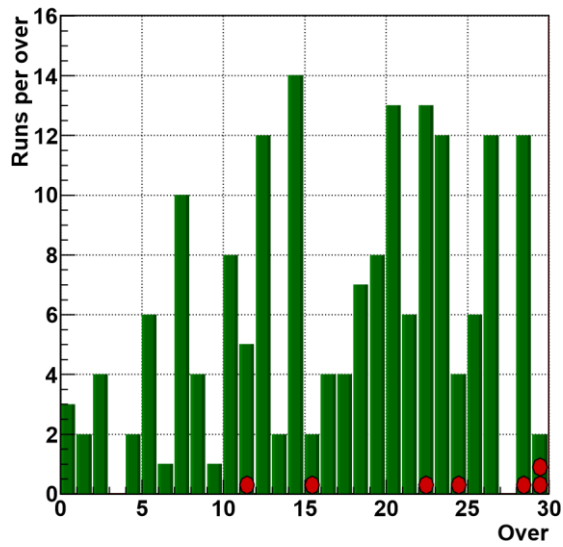


Figure 4: Sunday: Runs scored per over during the Trafford Solicitors' innings. Red circles indicate the fall of a wicket.

Table 7: Sunday: CERN batting card.

Batsman		Runs	Minutes	Balls	Fours	Sixes	Strike Rate
J. Osborne	c. Cooper b. N Fellows	104	90	-	14	2	-
K. Goodyear	retired not out	21	70	-	2	0	-
C. Onions	stumped b. Hoburn	28	25	-	5	0	-
X. Stucki	run out	18	15	-	4	0	-
T. Goodyear	c. & b. Marshall	2	10	-	0	0	-
T. Elvin	not out	1	5	-	0	0	-
J. Wall	run out	0	1	-	0	0	-
	Extras	5					
	Total	179	for the loss of 5 wickets				

Table 8: Sunday: Trafford Solicitors' bowling statistics.

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Economy
L. Cooper	6	2	23	0	3.83
A. Marshall	6	1	45	1	7.50
M. Lilley	5	0	21	0	4.20
A. Clarke	2	0	20	0	10.00
P. Fellows	6	0	31	1	5.17
N. Fellows	5	0	32	1	6.40



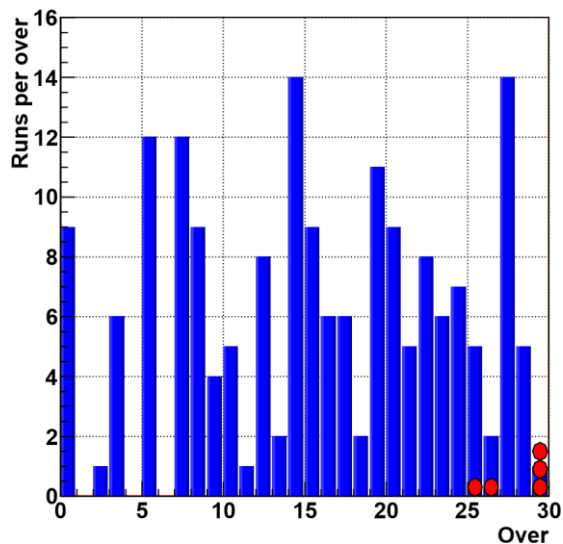


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## **Bellingham - 2011.**

### **Tourists**

Cooper L, Fellows N, Fellows P, Horsford S, Lilley M, Marshall A, Morgan G, Priestly M, Walley G, Whitworth B. (10)

### **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2011 TSCC v CERN**

TSCC 200 for 5 (Horsford S 82, Walley C 31)

CERN 195 for 10 (Osborne J 52, Elvin T 95, Marshall A 5 for 18)

### **Result**

TSCC won by 5 runs

### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2011 TSCC v CERN**

TSCC 152 for 7 (Horsford 70, Marshall 25)

CERN 81 for 10 (Goodyear K 31 not out, Wall J 22, Priestley M 3 for 18)

### **Result**

TSCC won by 71 runs.

## **Summary – 2011.**

Only 10 tourists this year – John Cocker turns out for TSCC, Stuart Horsford brings along his mate Matt Priestly who makes a debut 28 not out and takes 2 wickets. The pair celebrated with a trip to Hexham missing dinner. Apparently Matt was on the ‘rebound’ and looking for some ‘action’. An expensive round trip by taxi proved fruitless – we told you so!

The scorebook informs us that Stuart enjoyed the Riverdale pitch in his first appearance at Bellingham ably supported by Chris Walley in a 93 run partnership. Neil Fellows joined the party with 25 before succumbing to Chris Onions left arm cutters leaving Matt Priestly and Les Cooper to set CERN 201 to chase for victory.

All looked well for CERN after 2 early wickets as John Osborne and Tim Elvin put on a commanding partnership of 141, but Adie Marshall came back on to claim Tim’s wicket and a further 3 giving him match figures of 5 for 18 off 8 overs. John quickly followed Tim to the pavilion and although Jason Wall tried his hardest to get CERN over the line before falling LBW leaving a long CERN tail to fall just short of the winning post.

## **Sunday**

The now usual Saturday evening / Sunday morning debate revolved around what time we were to start and how many overs do we play. Understandably, CERN want to play as much cricket as possible given they come a long way, but sometimes evening excesses and a requirement to hit the road has to dictate proceedings.

TSCC won the toss and batted first in an agreed 30 over match. Once again the batting and bowling orders were reversed – Glyn Morgan now taking up his customary opening slot joined by Paul Fellows. Glyn however didn’t last very long – youngster Louis Osborne taking his wicket with the last ball of the opening over. John Cocker didn’t fare any better either, falling victim to Louis 2<sup>nd</sup> and maiden over. Brian steadied the ship for a while just reaching double figures then Adie Marshall and Stuart managed to stem the flow of wickets with a small partnership, but a 73 stand between Stuart and Neil Fellows put some respectability into the innings. Stuart eventually finished 70 undefeated.

Clearly CERN’s long tail from yesterday, now reversed, was no match for TSCC’s all-round bowling attack, even without the services of Marshall and Cooper, Glyn Morgan once again too good with his deceptive line and length. He really does relish bowling on the Riverdale track. Despite gallant efforts from Jason Wall and especially Keith Goodyear, the target proved beyond reach. Another victory then for TSCC.





### **A View from the Other Side.**

CERN CC – Bellingham Tour 2011 – 2nd / 3rd July vs Trafford Solicitors CC

The annual pilgrimage to Bellingham was met with unusually fine weather and a strong assembly of pilgrims to compete with the Mancunian legal team and codefendants. Day 1 – 40 overs

The toss was won by Elvin for CERN and he generously allowed the opposition first use of a rather soft and sweaty pitch that was surprisingly wet, given that it had been covered since before our arrival on Friday night! Although the bounce was not as variable as the appearance of the pitch might suggest, Onions soon induced a false shot from the Trafford left-handed opener Horsford – offering a sharp return catch which was uncharacteristically spilled. It looked ominous at the time and so it proved as he went on to make 82 on his tour debut for Trafford.

At the other end, a very tidy spell by Wall removed the other opener Marshall with a sharp off-cutter, at which point he had bowled 3 overs 1 for 1. Wall followed this with 2 further maidens to end an excellent opening spell. The introduction of Louis Osborne for 3 overs produced some good and challenging deliveries, interspersed with some vicious hitting by Horsford. A spell of tidy medium pace by Saunders and 2 overs of somewhat generous (non-turning!) off-spin by Keith Goodyear was met with the relentless onslaught of Horsford. It was not until skipper Elvin gave over the gloves at the halfway point to Chatoo and came on with his wristy „flighted-filth“ that the second wicket stand of 103 was broken, as he trapped Trafford No.3 Walley lbw for 31. This brought Neil Fellows to the wicket for a quick fire 25 before the returning Onions produced a beautiful swinging delivery to remove his

middle stump. In between, the innings of Horsford was finally ended when Elvin tempted him to the hook – to a well placed John Osborne at deep backward square. He made an easy catch look difficult (ED: I think that's what he told me to put!!) and ended a splendid innings which had elements of luck but also a lot of very well executed and powerful shots. In addition, Lilley arrived and departed for 2, a victim of Wall's second spell and he finished with an excellent 8 overs 2 for 11.

Onions dismissal of Neil Fellows proved to be the last wicket to fall in the Trafford innings as Priestley (28 not out) and Cooper (11 not out) saw out the overs and squeezed the score up to a creditable 200 at the close of innings.

After the usual fine refreshments provided by the Riverdale Hall kitchens, the CERN reply was opened by the Osbornes and as one might expect, several dead bats did feature in the act, "early-doors" (ED: sorry). In fact the failure to make contact with the bat led to Richard having to return to the dressing room lbw Marshall for 0. (ED: that's enough of such silly references – OK ). Keith Goodyear struggling for form, hung around without scoring while John Osborne began to find the pitch of the ball at the other end. When Keith was kindly put out of his misery by brother Tim umpiring (lbw Cooper 1), the crucial partnership of the CERN innings was joined by Elvin at No.4.

What followed was a master class in controlled hitting by Elvin, with growing accompaniment by Osborne in a third wicket stand of 120. As in the Trafford innings some luck was involved in both catching and poor ground fielding behind the stumps, when a certain run-out was declined by the fielding side's fumbles. A fine innings of 95 was ended when Elvin stepped back to square cut one from Marshall which kept a bit low. His innings had contained nine 4s and four 6s.

John Osborne, now joined by Wall, had been pushing singles and the odd two to reach his fifty before he pinged one to Horsford off the bowling of Fellows to depart for 52. The score at that point was 165-4 and the game finely balanced. Wall took up the scoring with a number of powerful shots for 4 with singles to farm the strike. Despite this wickets were falling at the other end with Chatoo caught second ball slicing an off drive to gully and Onions also caught for 3. When Saunders came to the wicket the innings was beginning to look in danger and an unaccountable lunge in the direction of extra-cover, which exposed both leg and middle to a straight ball passing behind his legs, did nothing to change the situation. The look of puzzlement and disbelief on his face prior to the „long trudge“ back to the pavilion would have been funny in other circumstances.

What followed next was described by the skipper Elvin in his „tour fines“ speech later that evening as „...the worst lbw decision I have ever witnessed.“ – which he viewed from the fine vantage point of square leg umpire! (ED: - but such is the nature of speeches giving out „tour fines“ – Yes it is, but I feel the opportunity of the match report too good a one to miss).

Wall had survived two previous appeals for lbw, both of which would have missed leg stump (by not much) and one of which hit him just outside the line of off stump, whilst playing a shot. Subsequently he tried to push a very straight ball into the on side, up-on-his-toes and trapped on the crease. He missed it and it would have made a mess of middle and leg.

The grounds for Elvin's pronouncement were amusingly that Wall was „..the last recognised batsmen“ and that the decision was too quick and therefore „..triggered“. I will of course, if ever allowed to umpire in a CERN match again be sure to dither a bit for the sake of the batsman's sensibilities and to consider who is left in the hutch yet to have a bat.

At 193-8 it was still anyone's game but pressure often tells in such situations. A firmly struck single by Tim Goodyear, who had joined Wall when Saunders departed, and a wide were the only remaining scoring balls and CERN fell a tantalising 6 runs short. Trafford Solicitors were the happiest they have ever been in the history of these fixtures and CERN were disappointed – however as Elvin also said in his speech that evening – to be part of a match in which nearly 400 runs were scored in such a way and in glorious weather, made a splendid and very enjoyable day.

As ever thanks are due to Trafford Solicitors for their enthusiasm, skill and committed approach to the match. Lastly and by no means least - thanks to Margaret Onions for her diligence with the scorebook without which we would be lost without trace!

Day 2 – 30 overs

Sunday dawned with cloudless blue skies and the sun was still shining at 11am when most of both teams assembled to play the return game. Trafford won the toss and elected to bat first “..to give some members a chance to sober up” and CERN took the field minus their „military-medium“ of the previous day who was “in the shower” for the first ten overs!

The new ball was given to Louis Osborne and Tim Goodyear. Louis bowled through his allowance of 6 overs, producing both swing and movement off the pitch for a very good spell that any bowler would be pleased with. He took the wickets of Morgan with a firm catch to Onions and bowled John Cocker playing on to return figures of 6 overs 2 for 14. At the other end Tim Goodyear who had bowled without luck the day before and suffered with the rest – fared better with a tidy spell for the wicket of Paul Fellows, caught smartly, one-handed, overhead by John Osborne and conceded just 12 runs in 4 overs. Brother replaced brother at that stage and followed the example of his elder with 6 overs taking the wickets of Whitworth nailed in front and Priestly bowled with a top spinner. Onions had in the meantime taken over from Louis and captured a dangerous looking Marshall with the last ball of his fourth over, just as the batsman was starting to open his shoulders with a couple of fours.

The story of the Trafford innings was once more written with the bat of Horsford, again riding his luck but always playing shots and hitting bad and sometimes quite reasonable balls, very hard, to various parts. He had scored 70 not out by the end of the innings accompanied latterly by Neil Fellows who was last to depart skying a ball from Saunders which a helmeted Elvin struggled to see initially as it was hidden by his brim. A tidy performance in the field and a gettable 153 to win offered no indication of what was to follow.

The CERN reply after lunch never really got started. No batsman until Wall at No.5 got into double figures and each batsman rather offered their wicket instead of losing it to the bowling. Wall threatened to instil the vital spark to the innings, repeating his fighting 22 of the day before and this time including a 6. However, he was unlucky to get one which burst through his defence, bounced toward the stumps and, in trying to tap it away with his bat, he hit wicket. At 53 for 6 all was not lost as the majority run scorers of the previous day were yet to bat.

Saunders was joined by Keith Goodyear but almost immediately became Neil Fellows“ second victim caught by Cooper. John Osborne came and went clean bowled and Elvin top-edged a ball from Neil for brother Paul Fellows to take an easy catch. In the meantime with the prospect of victory diminishing rapidly, Keith Goodyear was executing a series of sweeps for 4 which became progressively easier to achieve as the fielding side relaxed into their second victory of the weekend.

A total of 81 on a pitch that had dried out, was offering pretty reliable bounce and against a far friendlier bowling attack without Cooper or Marshall from the day before, was poor to say the least and somewhat unfathomable given the fielding performance which preceded it. If it was shell-shock from the day before then CERN will need to be made of sterner stuff to exact revenge next year in Bellingham.





## **Bellingham - 2012.**

### **Tourists**

Clarke A, Cooper L, Fellows N, Fellows P, Hosty B, Lilley M, Marshall A, Morgan G,  
Nash S (friend of Chris W), Walley C, Walley G, Wheeldon J, Whitworth B. (12)

### **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012 TSCC v CERN**

CERN 130 for 8 off 30 overs (Wall J 56, Osborne J 46.)  
TSCC 118 for 9 off 30 overs (Walley C 41, Fellows N 37, Wall J 3 - 14)

### **Result**

CERN won by 12 runs.

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2012**

CERN 123 for 6 (Osborne J 57 n.o. Morgan 3 – 21)  
TSCC 65 for 10 (Fellows N 20, Osborne L 3 – 11)

### **Result**

CERN won by 58 runs.

## **Summary – 2012.**

This was the year that was so wet on the field, buckets and any receptacle that could hold water was deployed manfully by both sides in an attempt to scoop and disperse the sodden areas to the fringes along the boundary. Initial observations at breakfast was one of despair as there appeared to be more water than grass across what can only be described laughingly as a cricket pitch. There was promise of sun later in the day and after a great deal of effort especially from the CERN contingent, the prospects of starting a match looked somewhat better.

And so, at 14.05 CERN, having won the toss, batted first in an agreed 30 overs contest. With the pitch and outfield unplayable in any other circumstances John Osbourne and Jason Wall put on a 76 run partnership for the second wicket – John was eventually bowled by J Wheeldon for 46 and Ady Marshall bowling Jason Wall who scored a creditable 56. Runs were difficult to come by for the other CERN batsmen and they closed the innings at 130.

TSCC found batting just as difficult with Chris Walley and Neil Fellows the only batters to make a meaningful contribution with 41 and 37 respectively. Left arm Chris Onions as ever proved difficult to score runs off and the father and son partnership of Wall P and Wall J tidied up at the end with very respectable figures of 2 – 18 off 3 overs and 3 for 14 off 4 leaving us some 12 runs short of the winning line.

## **Sunday**

CERN batted first again with little improvement in the playing conditions. The agreed format of reversing batting and bowling line-ups was the order of the day in another 30 overs contest.

Once again, John Osbourne proved to be the difference with a steady 50 not out, but Glyn Morgan, not for the first or last time, enjoyed his elevation to open the bowling claiming 3 wickets for 21 with his deceptive flighty deliveries that sometimes go straight on a good line and length.

However, TSCC's reply was pretty poor – Neil Fellows the only batsman to trouble the CERN attack.

## **A View from the other side.**

CERN CC vs TRAFFORD SOLICITORS - Sat 30th June & Sun 1st July 2012 - Bellingham  
Rarely in the history of CERN cricket will so much effort have been applied to enable cricket to be played as was applied at Bellingham on the last Saturday of June, as "CERN CC-on-tour" took to the field with buckets and squeegee to collect and remove a couple of thousand litres of "casual" water from the outfield at Riverdale Hall Bellingham.

As a result, two 30 over games were enabled and the prospect of a blank weekend was averted. The effort applied and the enthusiasm with which the team approached the task was replicated later in the cricket played, making for an enjoyable and successful weekend of matches. Saturday 30th June

John Osborne won the toss, conducted after a number of 'local rules to combat wet patches on the outfield' were proposed, discussed and rejected! He elected to bat on what was going to be a slow and damp wicket (despite it having been covered overnight).

With the encouraging words of the groundsman echoing in their ears ("...worst f\*\*\*ing weather in living, f\*\*\*ing memory and the f\*\*\*ers want to play f\*\*\*ing cricket ...") the opening pair of John Osborne and Campbell took to the field to face a barrage of quite unerringly straight, good length bowling from Aiden 'Malcolm' Marshall and Paul Fellows. Quick scoring was understandably difficult with the ball 'coming-on' not at all. After 9 overs yielded only 31 runs, Campbell's lofted drive in the tenth over was met by Tony Clark's spectacular full-length dive at extra-cover – and he departed for 9 (scored in singles).

The arrival of Jason Wall at the wicket heralded a partnership which formed the bulk of the CERN innings and was marked by the strong concentration of both batsmen, waiting for the bad or over-pitched delivery and hitting it very hard when the opportunity arose. They put on 76 for the second wicket and while - not completely dominating the bowling – not looking in any trouble either, despite the slowness of the pitch and tight bowling from Messrs Cooper and Marshall in particular.

John Osborne was bowled by Wheeldon four short of what would have been a deserved halfcentury and Jason Wall went on to make 56. The remainder of the innings was a scramble to accumulate a total to defend and despite a lack of scoring in the final overs, '130' was posted for the loss of 8 wickets. Heavy drizzle fell for a while during the tea interval but eased sufficiently for play to continue straight after.

The Trafford innings didn't start well for them, as a result of an excellent start by Onions with the ball. A nice bit of late inswing to the right-handed Nash followed by a regulation caught and bowled left Trafford with it all to do at 6 for 2. At the other end, Tim Goodyear – forming the other half of the 'allpace attack' – was strangling the run-rate without any luck in the wicket-taking department and an even more miserly spell by Campbell, made sure that attempts to build an innings by Messrs Walley and Wheeldon were always behind the clock. Just when it looked as though they might open up and seize the initiative CERN found another match-changing contribution from the Wall family as Peter produced a looping delivery to thud into Chris Walley's middle stump and 3 balls later induced a catch to Onions to remove Wheeldon as well. The cudgel was taken-up by Neil Fellows with a robust display of hard hitting and lung-busting running, but his resistance was finally ended by the narrowest of run outs, as the returning Tim Goodyear managed to scoop a low return on to the stumps. The origins of the hand gesture involved in the 'scoop' will remain a mystery to us all - as is surely appropriate in these matters!

The matter of 'i' dotting and 't' crossing was then left to Wall senior who, with 3 clean-bowled wickets in a timely 4 over spell (including a double wicket maiden to finish), ensured that the Trafford total fell a dozen short of the target and a hard-worked victory was CERN's.

Time spent replacing the covers - on a damp and by then, well-worn strip - proved worthwhile as overnight rain stood to jeopardise the Sunday return match – agreed to be a repeat of the 30 overs-a-side format of the previous day. Sunday 1st July

By an arranged 'virtual-toss' John Osborne agreed to have CERN bat first again, as on the previous day and in very similar conditions.

Some very straight bowling by Glyn Morgan accounted for Messrs Wall and Osborne (juniors) and Webber before a brisk innings of 20 by Price and another well worked innings of 57 not out from John Osborne restored the balance in favour of CERN.

In a solid looking partnership with Campbell (25) all looked well until Campbell called for a run (in jest – as he subsequently revealed – "...to try and disturb the fielders into a wild throw"). Unfortunately for Rob, John didn't get the joke and answered the call – Campbell departed in sorrow!

Onions joined Osborne for the last 6 overs and both remained not out when the innings closed on 123-6. This looked to be a bit short of a par innings (as had the previous day's

total in fairness) thus after tea CERN took to the field to try to replicate the previous day's victory.

As with the batting, the bowling was opened by Wall and Osborne (juniors), with strikingly more success. Both bowled their full allocation of 6 overs and with Louis Osborne taking 3-11 while Peter Wall captured 1-17 they left Trafford reeling on 29-4 after 12 overs – a position from which they never really recovered.

Another spirited knock of 20 by top-scorer Neil Fellows was ended by a Campbell caught and bowled while contributing 2 wicket maidens in what was fast becoming a massacre. Tim Goodyear chipped-in with a couple and by the time Keith Goodyear dismissed the last man Jeff Walley with his first ball Trafford had amassed only 65 runs and used only 22 of their 30 overs.

It was good for CERN to achieve a reversal of the results the previous year and to note some fine performances with bat and ball in difficult conditions requiring constant concentration to succeed. Both days were played in a good spirit by both sides and once again – many thanks to Margaret Onions for a fine job of bookkeeping.











## **Bellingham - 2013.**

### **Tourists**

Clarke A, Cooper L, Cross A, Fellows N, Fellows P, Hopton S + Dad, Horsford S, Lilley M, Morgan G, Vaughan R, Walley C, Walley G, Whitworth B. (14)

### **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2013 TSCC v CERN.**

TSCC 325 for 5 (Horsford 197 not out, Vaughan 40, Goodyear K 3 for 43)

CERN 192 for 8 (Wall J 117, Clarke A 4 for 43)

### **Result.**

TSCC won by 133 runs.

### **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2013 TSCC v CERN**

CERN 204 for 3 (J Osborne 107 not out, J Wall 67)

TSCC 193 for 9 (S Horsford 35, M Lilley, 28, N Fellows 25. K Goodyear 3 for 25, C Onions 3 for 47)

### **Result**

CERN won by 11 runs.

### **Summary – 2013.**

TSCC's finest hour? Well most certainly it was for Stuart Horsford – 197 not out on a hot baking day in Bellingham. CERN won the toss and put TSCC into bat. Rob Vaughan was making his debut and only appearance accompanied by his accomplice and side kick Simon Hopton (who brought along his dad – presumably to finance his weekend as he was never seen paying his way on other fixtures during his TSCC career). Rob and Chris Walley opened the innings putting on 31 before Jason Wall bowled Chris. This brought in Stuart – fresh still in CERNs' memory banks the last time he tormented them. Rob and Stuart put on a blistering 165 run partnership which ended when Rob was given out LBW to Keith Goodyear's flighty spin.

CERN's reply – clearly daunted by the huge target, came predominantly from a spirited century not from John Osborne on this occasion, but from Jason Wall who opened the innings on the back of an 8 over spell. CERN stuck to their task gallantly, but when Jason departed for their 7<sup>th</sup> wicket all hope had vanished. Tony Clarke, who must relish bowling at the Riverdale pitch, cleaned up with 4 wickets for 43 off his allotted 8 overs.

### **Sunday.**

Clearly buoyed by Jason's century from the previous day, John Osborne got his head down and played through the innings to record another century. A telling partnership of 139 between him and Saturday's hero Jason Wall made the TSCC bowling attack toil for little reward with only three wickets between 6 bowlers.

In reply, TSCC came out in determined mood as the top four batsmen, Vaughan, Fellows N, Horsford and Lilley made good contributions, but once they had departed, CERN had the taste of victory. TSCC eventually ran out of overs just 11 runs short with Keith Goodyear the main tormentor with his deceptive bowling, ably backed up by Chris Onions and goodness knows how, Jason putting in another 7 over stint. CERN certainly got value from him on this years' weekend.

### **A view from the other side.**

Trafford Solicitors CC versus CERN CC (Friendly) at Bellingham on Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th July 2013

The venue was familiar, the weather seasonably hot but unusual for the venue (see the match report for the previous year's matches) and the CERN team was incomplete - missing a few familiar faces. This did not pass unnoticed by the opposition who on the Friday, buoyed by a cup-final victory in their midweek league cup and the presence of an early-order batsman /tormentor of CERN bowlers from the 2011 fixture, were sporting team "T" shirts proclaiming their victory and knowing grins of expectation for the 'morrow.

The Gods of cricket looked down and agreed with them.

Saturday A CERN team that had taken Osborne J some 219 emails to assemble (surely a record and an unenviable one) duly took to the field in 78 deg F (26 deg C) temperatures and rising rapidly, to deliver 40 overs – a process which was to take 3½ hours and afford the opposition some 325 runs for the loss of 5 wickets. Sometimes those cricket Gods seem to even out the luck between batting and fielding sides but on this day they saw, decided and said to a certain Horsford S of Trafford Solicitors "Today is yours, enjoy it!" and to the fielding side "If you want anything you'll have to earn it – catches win matches!"

The score sheet doesn't always tell the whole story - but in this case it mostly does – the only missing number being 5 (the number of times Horsford S was dropped on the way to 197 not out). To add injury to insult, Smith M collapsed in the delivery stride of the attempted 3rd delivery of his 2nd spell, which further reduced the already stretched CERN resources. The hamstring tear effectively ruled out any fully-active participation by him for the rest of the weekend. It did however prompt a flurry of female medical assistance at the boundary, applying ice-compresses!

To be in receipt of such a barrage of scoring shots and so many searches for “lost” cricket balls is never enjoyable but the CERN team stuck to the task, any wilting being more due to heat exhaustion than flagging spirits.

The CERN reply when it came, with only 9 available to bat, was totally about a maiden century for Wall J who batted with some luck (but a lot less than afforded to Horsford in the Trafford innings) and much more artistry too it should be said. Much of the hitting involved lofted drives and nimble footwork – combined with a resolutely straight-bat. His 117 runs were thoroughly deserved and contributed the bulk of the CERN reply. He was seventh out with the score on 183 and the innings subsided.

Both teams retired to the bar for well-earned refreshment and a little reflection on the day - not least the realisation that, despite the huge disparity in totals scored, the result would have been reversed if CERN had heard and heeded that age-old maxim about catches!

Sunday

The day dawned cloudy but still warm and opposition departure plans demanded an 11am start and 32 overs-a-side. This time CERN batted first and with much greater resolution – posting a slightly higher total than the day before, for the loss of only 3 wickets and with two very noteworthy contributions with the bat.

This time the centurion was Osborne J who carried his bat contributing an innings of patience and (when warranted) aggression to be 104 NOT OUT after the 2 hours 5 minutes the opposition took to bowl the overs. The supporting role, with a surprisingly nimble 67 - given his century in the heat of the previous day

was provided by Wall J. All the Trafford bowlers were made to suffer (between 5 & 8) runs per over and the demonstration of how to build a partnership of 139 runs for the 2nd wicket (shared almost equally 72 – 67) was a real joy to watch – especially after the disappointments of Saturday.

The Trafford innings started at the gallop with the score on 27 (20 from Vaughan) when he was dismissed by Goodyear T in the third over! The fielding side were surprised (this author in particular) to see Horsford S emerge at no.3 given his heroics of the previous day, however it demonstrated the level of intent on the part of Trafford to reverse the whitewash that they had suffered the previous year.

A partnership of 66 in 9 overs between Horsford and Fellows N kept Trafford well up with the asking rate of a little over 6.3 per over, in fact they had achieved 8 per over at the end of the twelfth as Onions struck to have Fellows N caught behind, applying a bit of pressure on the scoring. Horsford was still there at the other end trying to emulate his previous performance and the pressure on Trafford was increased when he missed a very nice straight one from Wall J and departed for 35. If he felt that pressure Lilley M was determined not to show it and scoring still proceeded apace until he played all round another straight one and was struck on the pad less than a foot in front for the plumbest of plumb LBWs.

At that stage Trafford were “bang on the money” with 140 off 22 overs (exactly the asking rate) but they had lost 4 (arguably their best 4) wickets. CERN continued to apply the pressure with an altogether slicker bowling and fielding display than on the previous day. Onions C rang the changes well and although it stayed tight to quite close to the end, wickets fell and so did Trafford – short by 11 runs and with 1 wicket only remaining at the end of the 32 overs.



Let us not ponder the lowlights of the weekend as it was thoroughly enjoyed by all despite them!

The highlights were more than several!

- a heroic knock of 117 after fielding for 3½ hours in the heat by Wall J;
- a captain's innings carrying his bat for over 2 hours and 104\* on Sunday by Osborne J;
- another sterling contribution in partnership on Sunday by Wall J to make his total of runs scored for the weekend 184 (ave. 92);
- the second 3 overs of his 6 over allowance by Osborne L conceding only 9 runs and taking a wicket when some serious hitting was being attempted by the opposition;
- the discovery of a very tidy wicketkeeper in the person of Wall P who took over on Saturday to allow Goodyear K a bowl and kept right through on Sunday with some distinction – one for the (near) future!

The games were played and debated, as ever, in good spirit and thanks are due to Trafford for that. Also not least to Margaret Onions for her superb concentration over 2 long hot and eventful days cricket to produce the faultless accounting we have come to expect but hopefully not take for granted.

And finally perhaps mention should be made of a post-match “occurrence” on a walk to the river for a swim, when, I believe, a considerable degree of ‘bovine faecal disturbance’ apparently added to some tourists enjoyment of the weekend. For more information please contact Osborne J (rumoured instigator), Onions C (undoubted recipient) and Osborne L (rumoured perpetrator)!











## **Bellingham - 2014.**

### **Tourists**

**Clarke A, Cooper L, Corrie R, Cross A, Fellows N, Fellows P, Horsford S, Morgan G,  
Walley C, Walley G, Whitworth B. (11)**

### **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2014 - TSCC v CERN.**

CERN 183 for 7 (Osborne J 123)  
TSCC 187 for 0 (Horsford 103 n.o. Walley C 63 n.o.)

### **Result.**

TSCC won by 10 wickets

### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2014 - TSCC v CERN**

TSCC 111 for 7 (Clarke A 33 n.o. Goodyear K 3 for 11)

CERN 113 for 5 (Onions C 50 n.o.)

### **Result**

CERN won by 5 wickets

## **Summary – 2014.**

Ah – the year I met the Sharp brothers! I was returning to my room on the Saturday morning after the usual sojourn for morning coffee in the village clutching a new brightly coloured cherry when these two guys with what I recall a distinct South African twang approached me clearly spotting said cherry in hand. There was some exchange of banter and an obvious eyeing up of the opposition and bravado exchanges of how the forthcoming match will play out. They both proved to be a highly entertaining and fitted in well with the spirit of the camaraderie of what has become our weekend away. I quickly spread the news that CERN had recruited two ringers who could be trouble!

Apparently the day dawned sunny and dry and CERN won the toss choosing to take first advantage of the track opening up as per the norm with John Osborne sporting his usual green lid supported by brother Richard who could be just as difficult to remove. However, Richard was the first to go after an opening stand of 31. After the bowling change with Paul Fellows replacing Cooper, the CERN batting clearly decided to go aerial in the quest to score runs, but that's always a dangerous tactic on the placid Riverdale pitch especially coupled with Paul's tricky line and length. The wickets fell at regular intervals with Tony (Golden Arm) Clarke joining in. The threat of the Sharp brothers thankfully didn't materialise and they both fell victims to a spirited TSCC attack while John Osborne resolutely stuck to the task of accumulating runs, but he eventually holed out after yet another century leaving son Louis and Chris Onions to close the innings.

In reply, TSCC opted straight away to open with their senior batters Stuart H and Chris W. CERN toiled away but clearly had no answer to a determined batting performance I've not previously witnessed at Bellingham. They had observed John Osborne's innings and decided that patience was the key and were duly rewarded with an unbroken stand and taking TSCC to a 10 wicket victory. CERN never really looked like taking a wicket as I recall, but in fairness to Sharp E – I was standing at the bowlers end, he had a very good shout turned down for LBW against Chris.

## **Sunday**

Once again, the batting was reversed to accommodate those who don't usually get an extended chance to shine with the bat. TSCC opened first with Brian and Neil striding out to the wicket. They got the innings off to a decent partnership of 39 but Neil departed looking to score with boundaries and Brian's dogged innings quickly followed. Alick quickly holed out but that man Tony Clarke enjoyed yet another fine innings at Riverdale scoring a creditable 33 not out to take us to a Nelson in the allotted 30 overs.

CERN's reply (without the Sharp brothers who had to depart early), could have quickly faulted and we must have thought we had the game with 4 wickets for 39. However Chris Onions had other ideas and took the game away in CERN's favour with a captains knock of 50 not out.



## **A View from the other side.**

Trafford Solicitors CC versus CERN CC (Friendly) at Bellingham on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th July 2014

“The venue was familiar; the weather reasonable for the venue (see the match report for the previous year’s matches) and the CERN team was incomplete - missing a few familiar faces.....”

Not quite last year’s opening remarks word for word but nearly - and the results mirrored the previous year with great familiarity excepting the order of the innings each day was reversed. The chief protagonists for each side were very familiar too - Horseford for Trafford Solicitors and Osborne J for CERN were once again to figure prominently!

Saturday

CERN batting first were indebted to Osborne J who almost carried his bat through, being last out for 123 with the score on 175. Given that the next highest scores were 15 (Sharp J), 14 (Allen D) and 11 NO (Osborne L) it was an indication of the considerable concentration applied to the task by John and the result was a reasonably defendable 183-9 at the end of 40 overs. When Trafford batted the effect was similar to the previous year, brutally so in parts, but with one important difference.

Although the opposition scored the runs without loss in 31.7 overs the performance in the field was very positive by CERN. There was no procession of dropped catches as in previous years and there was an up-beat approach and unflagging enthusiasm which was commendable. It was particularly so given that Horseford struck 72 of his 103 NO in 12 scoring shots – some of which went quite a long way over the line.

To the bar and a Saturday of celebrations for Trafford – expressed predominantly by their wild appreciation of the singer fresh from a recent engagement at a local saw-mill!

Sunday

What a difference a day makes – actually much less than “24 little hours” later it was Trafford’s turn to bat first in 30 over game.

It has to be said that the not out batsmen for Trafford on Saturday didn’t figure in the batting on Sunday but they nearly did - as CERN took wickets regularly and a combination of good catching and tidy bowling restricted the opposition to 111 – 7. This was even more commendable given the departure of the Sharp brothers for an early plane, preventing any Sunday participation.

CERN took to their reply in good heart with Goodyear T requiring only the merest whiff of oxygen to adapt to elevation to opener.

The back-bone of the CERN innings was provided by Osborne L (21) and Syrat J (20) both in support of a captain’s innings of 50 NO by Onions C – in some pain from both longer term and more recent, injuries in the field. Victory was achieved in the 29th over and honours, if not quite ‘even’, were undoubtedly shared. CERN retired to a relaxing Sunday of local libations and more excellent Riverdale food while Trafford took to the road and the world of Mancunian commerce on the ‘morrow.

Thanks are due to Trafford for a sporting weekend of cricket played to win, Riverdale for their usual excellent hospitality and most importantly and as always to Margaret Onions for her enduringly high standards of bookkeeping and sympathetic good-humour in adversity!











## **Bellingham - 2015.**

### **Tourists**

**Clarke A, Clarkson K, Clarkson D, Cooper L, Cross A, Foden S (Alick's mate), Lilley M, Marshall A, Morgan G, Whitworth B. Walley C. (11)**

### **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2015 - TSCC v CERN.**

TSCC 111 for 10  
CERN 112 for 1 (M. Elliot 53 not out)

#### **Result.**

CERN won by 9 wickets.

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2015 - TSCC v CERN**

CERN 111 for 10 (J. Wall 42, T Clarke 5 for 16 off 7 overs)  
TSCC 113 for 5 (K. Clarkson 37 not out)

#### **Result**

TSCC won by 5 wickets.



## Summary – 2015.

A somewhat depleted squad from previous seasons, but nevertheless enthusiastic. The Clarkson brothers Kevin and Dave was drafted in via Brian, and Alick introduced Simon Foden to the delights of Bellingham and all that it has to offer – except for bails that is! Seemingly there was no bails provided by the hosts, so a frantic call to Simon on his way up on Saturday morning requesting him to bring whatever he could acquire to make do. In the end, he managed to get a junior set of wickets and bails from a toy store if I recall correctly.

Saturday dawned having had overnight rain in quantities and the usual discussion around start times, overs and what to do if we win the toss prevailed. In the end, I decided to bat first – my reasoning behind such decisions are not always rational in the sense of strategical and tactical cunning. Bat first with an unknown and untried batting and bowling line up and if it doesn't work out in our favour, we don't necessarily have to chase the ball around the park for forty overs then get humiliated in an attempt to chase an unrealistic score – back to the bar for an early session. It's a tactic that may not suit some, but they don't often stick their hand up to take responsibility – don't tell the opposition though!

Chris and Ady opened and progress was slow on a difficult track. With the introduction of the slower bowlers, the temptation to hit out and advance the scoring rate didn't come off and once the openers and with a stubborn contribution from Alick at 3 departed, there was little else to write about as we used our allotted 40 overs to crawl to 111 for 9. In reply, CERN knocked off the runs in 22 overs with Ady taking a caught and bowled chance to remove Richard Osborne. Early finish and to the bar it was then.

Sunday arrived and the batting and bowling was once again revered to give everyone a sporting chance to make a name for themselves. This time in a 35 overs match, CERN batted first with father and son opening partnership Jason and Peter Wall taking the score to 47 after 8 overs. Then it became CERN's turn to have a wobble and batting collapse as the Tony (Golden Arm) Clarke show took over with figures of 5 wickets for 16 runs from 7 overs. His best Sunday spell on record. He was ably backed up with a tidy spell from Kevin who's confidence was growing and the innings closed on another 'Nelson' a score that seems to crop up often in these encounters.

In reply, Messrs Whitworth and Morgan opened followed by Simon, but the game swung into our favour after another Tony Clarke performance, who was unfortunately run out, leaving Kevin and Mark Lilley to steer us home with a calm and measured scoring partnership in 29 overs.

## **A View from the Other Side** (*edited version to avoid any misunderstanding*)

Trafford Solicitors CC versus CERN CC (Friendly) at Bellingham on Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th July 2015

“The venue was familiar; the weather reasonable for the venue (see the match report for the previous year’s matches) and the CERN team was FOR ONCE COMPLETE including familiar faces and one who had been absent from Bellingham for several seasons”

Not quite last year’s opening remarks but the race to get from Newcastle airport to Bellingham and cover the pitch against an impending deluge was very familiar. Gandalf cunningly disguised as T. Goodyear and ably assisted by his driver raced across the Northumberland countryside leaping humped-back bridges with nonchalant ease.

The intrepid duo, checked- in (to make sure they had secured a decent room before the others arrived), then raced down the few concrete steps to the, what has been laughably called, ‘playing surface’ only to be shocked to the core. Firstly the outfield was not a waterlogged and weed-laden morass and grass, YES freshly-mown grass - was covering pretty well the whole ground! Secondly the covers (or more accurately the frames of the same) were conveniently positioned around the boundary waiting to be pushed onto the playing surface – but totally lacking in waterproof fabric, or in fact any form of fabric. As the forlorn expedition-force trudged up toward the dining room, there were ‘knowing’ winks and nudges on the opposition table and a feeling of gloom descended as the ever-reliable BBC weather forecast was atrocious for overnight and what would follow “après la deluge”?

Saturday.

Deluge there had been and much discussion over a “vital” toss with a decidedly damp but drying wicket in prospect was culminated with a lost toss and the opposition skipper electing, inexplicably, to bat first. He felt apparently that the wicket in its virgin state was “...as good as it was ever going to be that day”.

That assumption was tested by the CERN bowlers over 40 overs, and both the assumption and the opposition batting were found wanting. Although the opposition scored 47 runs without loss in the first 11 overs the introduction of the super-slow Gandalf (the Grey) Goodyear – exhibiting a suppleness and subtlety to belie his 247 years skippering the Shires Sunday 2nd XI – introduced an all-pervasive air of inevitability to the proceedings. YES - we could all tell straight away that at some point in the not too distant future we would take a wicket - and so it came to pass. The first 3 Trafford wickets occupied the first half of the 40 overs but could only contribute 74 runs and all succumbed to the wiles of the GGG and KG (his apprentice and driver). The latter taking the 3rd wicket to fall but almost entirely due to a brilliant full-length diving catch by P. Wall behind the stumps. It was just one fine example from a creditable performance with the gloves (2 dismissals caught behind and only 2 byes from 256 deliveries faced).

Both M Elliott and J Wall proved virtually impossible for the Trafford batsmen to get away, offering figures of 5 overs 0 for 8 and 8 overs 2 for 16 respectively. The second half of the Trafford innings yielded only 37 runs for the loss of 6 wickets and no batsman from no.4 onwards made double figures. 111 for 9 was never going to be enough to defend on a much drier wicket offering a more predictable bounce.

The Osbornes (R & J) strode to the wicket and set about the Trafford bowling attack. R. Osborne never looked in any danger during his innings of 2 x 4s and a 2 but inexplicably

popped up a dolly catch. That proved to be the only consolation for Trafford and 22 overs proved entirely adequate for J. Osborne (39 no) and M. Elliott (53 no) to finish them off, the latter hitting 32 of those runs in boundaries.

To the bar and a Saturday of commiserations for Trafford as they succumbed for a second time in one day, this time to the delights of a different singer (from last year) - fresh from a recent engagement at Kevin's Kopa Kabana Karaoke bar in Wallsend.

Sunday.

"Nelson" was to figure prominently as a score, for the third time in successive matches between CERN and Trafford, on the following day. As frequently happens at Bellingham the Saturday result was reversed and it was the turn of CERN to fall short of a viable score – batting first, this time in a 35 overs match.

A solid knock of 42 from J. Wall opening the innings and a hard-hitting 18 from J. Osborne at no.4 were the only substantial contributions in the CERN innings. We were decimated by an outstanding 5 for 16 by T. Clarke in 7 very tidy overs, to leave CERN failing to use 3 of the allotted 35.

Trafford when batting appeared to be contriving to mess it up for a brief period with L. Osborne delivering a tidy 2 for 9 of the first five of his seven overs. T. Clarke was going for the man-of-the-match award with a comfortable 23 to accompany his five wicket haul when he was run out by his batting partner – but that proved to be the last alarm and Clarkson (37 no) and Lilley (25 no) saw Trafford comfortably home with 6 of the 35 overs to spare.

CERN were left with the consolation that we made Trafford work a bit harder and bat longer with more losses, to achieve victory over the same 111 losing score.

Thanks are due to Trafford for a sporting weekend of cricket played to win, Riverdale for their usual excellent hospitality, M Elliott /Ralph Lauren for the shirts - and most importantly as always to Margaret Onions for her enduringly high standards of bookkeeping.



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## **Bellingham - 2016.**

### **Tourists**

**Clarke A, Clarke M, Clarkson D, Clarkson K, Cooper L, Corrie R, Cross A, Fellows N,  
Fellows P, Fellows S, Marshall A, Morgan G, Lilley M, Whitworth B. (14)**

### **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2014 - TSCC v CERN.**

CERN 54 - 11 (Osborne J 24)  
TSCC 55 - 2 (Clarkson K 26 n.o.)

### **Result.**

TSCC won by 10 wickets (12 a-side)

### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2014 - TSCC v CERN**

TSCC 115 for 10 (Clarke A 29, Morgan 26. Osborne J 2 for 7)  
CERN 58 for 10 (Percival B 23 Clarke M 4 for 11, Fellows S 3 for 9.)

### **Result**

TSCC won by 57 Runs

## Summary - 2016.

Saturday.

Oh dear ! I can't recall anything about this weekend. Seemingly CERN were low on strength and the conditions, according to their score sheet was 'Very Wet'.

CERN won the toss apparently and opted to bat first (perhaps using my logic?). I think they had rather a young squad and a new recruit Benjamin Percival – a dark horse with potential perhaps. John O opened as usual with Chris, an indication maybe of their need to hold an innings together. It wasn't to be however, with only John managing double figures on what must have been an extremely difficult track. Our bowling was shared around 8 bowlers, all had success in the wickets column and restricting the opposition to a mere 54 runs in 33 overs.

In reply, Alick and Kevin opened, Alick departing with the score on 31 in the 14<sup>th</sup> over to be replaced by Neil who had a rare failure and not troubling the scorers. Kevin meanwhile was accumulating steadily and he and Matt Clarke guided us to a comfortable win in 20 overs. Another early dart to the bar.

Sunday.

Another toss (or was it by agreement) was won by CERN who this time inserted us. Glyn and Russ opened – Russ clearly relishing a rare opportunity to demonstrate how not to wear pads, gloves or hold a bat!. Glyn clearly enjoys the Sunday fixtures after his exuberant and skilful dad dancing on Saturday evenings. He made the most of his opportunity with the bat reaching the heady heights of a Sunday best of 26 when he fell at the 5<sup>th</sup> wicket down. Tony Clarke yet again also demonstrated that Sundays were his time to shine as he top scored the innings with a creditable 29. Neil contributed with 19 undefeated to take our score to 115 – can that be defended?

Well, clearly the answer was yes as CERN's batting collapsed pretty much as it had the previous day. 'Ringer' Benjamin Percival, who earlier had shown that he was a decent bowler and obviously played a bit looked dangerous with the bat this time around scoring a brisk 23, but a catch by Les on the deep mid-wicket boundary ended any hope of a CERN fightback.

And so ended another enjoyable weekend away which, as always, was played in great spirits. Well done to all concerned.



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## **Bellingham - 2017.**

Tourists

Cooper C, Cooper L, Corrie R, Cross A, Dean J, Fellows N, Fellows P, Fellows S,  
Morgan G, Walley G, Whitworth B. (11)

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2017 - TSCC v CERN.**

CERN 124 - 4 (Osborne J 44, Fellows S 2 for 17)  
TSCC 128 - 4 (Fellows N 44, Fellows S 29 n.o. Cross A 29.)

### **Result.**

TSCC won by 6 wickets

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2017 - TSCC v CERN**

TSCC 78 for 9

CERN 80 for 7 (Fielder 23 n.o. Cooper L 3 for 8.)

### **Result**

CERN won by 3 wickets

## Summary – 2017.

Saturday.

Newbies Cooper Junior – Colin, and his brother-in-Law Jonathan Dean's first appearances at Bellingham after many attempts by Cooper senior to get him there, made the numbers up to an 11 with the regulars. CERN also had some new younger faces and also some notable missing stars too, so the match took on a somewhat unknown element from both sides.

Batting first, CERN's standard opening pair was the Osborne brothers and they put on a partnership of 35 before the first wicket, Richard, departed bowled by the slow spin of Neil Fellows. Senior batsman John carried the innings forward in typical fashion, accumulating runs with the odd boundary. Chris Onions was second down with the score on 73 when he was neatly stumped by keeper Alick and John eventually succumbed on 44 bowled by Stephen Fellows. Neil had R. Fielder LBW after he'd score a creditable 21. The innings closed on 124 for 4 after 40 overs, with the Fellows clan Steve and Neil sharing the wickets and Paul recording a notable 8 overs, 3 maidens none for 16.

In reply, TSCC got off to a brisk start with Alick and Neil putting on a partnership of 70 until Chris Onions removed them both in the space of two overs. Another 2 wickets fell – Jonathan Dean who doesn't play much cricket and Paul F with the target within reach, leaving Stephen F and Les to guide TSCC to a well-earned victory. Neil's 44 and Alick and Steve's 29 apiece being the backbone of the innings. Keith Goodyear had an unfortunate and painful accident fielding on the mid-wicket boundary as his ankle turned over in the very soft outfield. Russ came to the rescue and took Keith to the hospital where the diagnosis was better than feared. They were back in time for evening dinner.

Sunday.

The roles were reversed with TSCC opening and the order again reversed for the Sunday fixture. There's not much to record other than CERN had an early morning arrival of an additional player J Gall who looked the part and bowled with pace. TSCC slowly accumulated an innings of no distinction reaching 78 for 9 off the allotted 30 overs. In reply, CERN relied as usual on the experienced John Osborne 21 and R Fielder 23 not out to safely guide them towards the winning post – reaching 80 for 7 in 28 overs resulting in a close and enjoyable match. For me, the highlight of the match was bowling J Gall first ball with a beauty that pitched 6 inches outside off and took the top of off stump. (Well I had to have the last word having put the time and effort into compiling this project!).









## **Bellingham - 2018.**

### **Tourists**

**Cooper L, Corrie R, Cross A, Fellows N, Fellows P, Fellows S, Horsford S, Morgan G,  
Rahim J, Vij R, Whitworth B. (11)**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2018 - TSCC v CERN.**

**Match Hosted at Stamfordham Cricket Club.**

TSCC 206 - 5 (S Horsford 60, J Rahim 53, N Fellows 30, J Gall 3 - 52)  
CERN 134 – 7 (J Osborne 50 n.o. L. Cooper 4 – 18)

### **Result.**

TSCC won by 72 Runs

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2018 - TSCC v CERN**

CERN 148 – 5 (J Gall 51, J Osborne 42)  
TSCC 99 – 8 (C Onions 4 – 18)

### **Result**

CERN won by 49 Runs

## **Summary – 2018**

A major cock up this year – seemingly the Riverdale ‘double booked’ the weekend with a wedding party. Despite both Brian and John reserving the usual weekend and rooms etc. in 2017, it transpired that the wedding was already in the diary but in invisible ink. After a series of emails between Brian, John and the Riverdale a compromise was reached.

Arrival Friday for the usual golfers – Brian, Alick, Les, Neil, Paul, Glyn, Joe and Russ. Les and Alick (and Raj on Saturday) were despatched to the Fox B & B for their accommodation, hosted by Doreen. Brian, Glyn, Joe and Stuart had the Norman Suite (Stuart joining them Saturday), leaving the Fellows triplets and Russ in one of the apartments. Evening dinner as usual at the Riverdale. The golf was won jointly by Joe on his first visit to Bellingham and Neil with Brian a creditable runner up. Les took the wooden spoon, although the points difference, courtesy of handicaps, between first and last was only 9.

### **Saturday.**

After breakfast at the Riverdale, a coach was laid on to take both teams to Stamfordham Cricket Club – some 20 miles away and a journey of around 45 minutes. We were met by Stuart and Raj – another first timer. The hospitality laid on by the Stamfordham Cricket Club was first class.

Stuart and Joe got us off to a great start – CERN’s heads must have sank when they realised Stuart was playing and would have quickly worked out that his opening partner would be equally difficult to handle. The partnership was broken on 118 as Stuart was stumped but Neil and Joe kept the momentum going – Joe holed out to a good catch by Louis Osborne and Neil spooned a caught and bowled return. Raj was unlucky to top edge a catch and Steve Fellows was deceived by John Osborne slow flighty stuff. Alick and Paul closed the innings on 206 – 5 but CERN’s caused wasn’t helped with a total of 41 extras.

In reply CERN batted out their allotted 36 overs with John Osborne once again carrying his bat for a determined 50. They had two guests for the day Horn (8) and Roe (26 not out) who batted 9 and 10 respectively and it’s to CERN’s credit that they batted at the tail rather than higher up which arguably could have given more support to John in the run chase. Alick did well behind the stumps and the extras only accounted for 8 of CERN’s total of 134 for 8.

There then followed a mad dash to the club house where some sort of football match was being played. The refreshments and teas were fist rate.

So, it was back to Bellingham where dinner was laid on at the golf club. Not exactly a great success in my opinion – the food was ok from a limited menu, but the seating arrangement separated the two teams from the normal banter and the singer did her best to a small audience and little atmosphere.

### **Sunday.**

Another 36 overs match was agreed earlier in the week and this time CERN batted first back on our ‘home’ territory of the Riverdale pitch. The outfield was considerably drier than normal unsurprisingly given the hot weather but nonetheless still had long grass and areas that were a no-go – the boundary rope was brought in to prevent a repeat of last year’s accident suffered by Keith, and the wicket had been freshly prepared two days earlier. It certainly

played better than expected and some had the view that it was better than that the previous day.

TSCC were reduced to 9 as Stuart had to depart early and Neil suffered a back spasm. CERN had another two guests over for the day which meant we were an equal 9 a side (Richard O also departing early). CERN batted first and had J Gall to thank for his contribution of 51 – he was mightily relieved to get runs on the board as his previous two visits to the wicket lasted 4 balls without scoring. John O once again proved difficult to remove while he accumulated runs, but he fell for a sucker punch when he hooked Alick's first ball straight to square leg. Rob Fielder got his head down and made a valuable 19 undefeated taking CERN to 148 for 5. In reply we managed to bat out 36 overs for 99. Glyn and Brian opened the innings, Glyn was tempted to advance down the wicket to John O but it ended in John's favour and Brian 'hung around' for an eternity to accumulate 5 runs. Steve Fellows top scored with 19, but the run chase was too much. Chris Onions was once again the pick of the bowlers for CERN with 4 for 18.

And so another great weekend came to a close, and after all the problems we had over the mix up, on reflection it all worked out nicely. Bring it all on next year!

One noteworthy piece from the stats – between 2005 and 2017 in 22 matches, CERN hadn't recorded a single stumping – 2018 saw one on each day (by guest 'keepers).



(Where was Joe?)

## **A View from The Other Side.**

CERN vs Trafford Solicitors Match Report

7-8 July 2018

### Four Innings and a Wedding

The comfortable tradition of the annual CERN / Trafford Solicitors cricket weekend, held at the Riverside Hotel in Bellingham since 2005, was thrown into chaos this year when the hotel managed to double book with a wedding.

This caused much consternation during the organisational phase, with arrangements becoming more and more disrupted as the weekend approached.

For the first time in recorded memory, the Saturday game was not held at the hotel (apart from 2006 which was rained off!) After an unfashionably early breakfast, both teams were corralled into a coach at 9:30am and driven to Stamfordham, about 40 minutes away. The early start was necessitated by another double booking – the England Sweden World Cup quarter final which kicked off at 3pm.

However the weather was superb, the club house brand new and there was tea in the pot when we arrived at the ground. Things were looking up.

The innings were reduced to 36 overs each. TSCC won the toss and elected to bat. A brave decision as it risked missing the start of the football!

The batting was opened by Trafford's captain, Horsford, along with a newcomer to the fixture, Rahim. The wicket proved to be a little irregular, the occasional ball jumping off a length, so they both batted cautiously whilst dispatching the bad ball(s) for four. CERN's bowling attack, which was also a little irregular at times, toiled away in the sun with little success. Onions, Roe and R. Osborne all brought control, but the runs mounted and both batsmen reaching well-crafted 50's.

Finally, the partnership of 118 was broken when Horsford was well stumped by Horn off J. Osborne for 60. Rahim soon followed, caught by L. Osborne off the bowling of Gall having scored 53. CERN's bowlers then found their rhythm; notably the Osborne trio. L. Osborne dusted off the cobwebs of his early overs, R. Osborne bowled tightly and J. Osborne produced some teasers. Batting at 3, N. Fellows scored a valuable 30, but the later Trafford batsmen all fell cheaply with Gall finishing with figures of 3 – 52. However TSCC still amassed the formidable score of 206 for the loss of 5 wickets.

Lunch was a notable success. The Thai curry, sausage rolls, pork pies, cake and Pavlova all deserving a mention.

The CERN innings never really got going. Rahim proved as threatening with the ball as the bat, finishing with 1-19. Most CERN batsmen fell cheaply to good deliveries or rash shots. J. Osborne resisted stoutly and eventually carried his bat, making exactly 50. He eventually received support from Roe, batting at 10, who finished on 26 not out. To the surprise of many and the consternation of TSCC, CERN batted out the 36 overs, making 135 for the loss of 8 wickets.



Cooper finished with impressive figures of 4-16 and the Fellows trio also bowled well. However the innings did not close until 3:15 meaning 15 minutes of valuable football were lost.

In the meantime, several members of the Stamfordham XI had returned to the clubhouse following their victory at Wark. The combined forces of the 3 teams and their companions then enjoyed the remainder of the football in very good humour, plentifully supplied with more cake, pavlova, PIMS and other alcoholic refreshments (squash was also available).

On the coach journey home, it was unanimously agreed that, despite the organisational annoyances, Stamfordham had proved to be excellent hosts and the day had been a great success.

More disruption in the evening entailed supper being taken in the Bellingham Golf Club. Although the menu was not as varied as the hotel, and the singer got off to a slow start, but a much improved second half got most people dancing. Again a good evening was had by all; perhaps too good on the part of some of the TSCC team, as the next day would demonstrate.

Normal service resumed for the Sunday fixture, the match being held at the Riverdale Hotel. Both teams were down to 9 players.

On this occasion, CERN won the toss and elected to bat; the innings were again limited to 36 overs. At the toss, Rahim was notable by his absence, much to the relief of the CERN batsmen. The demons of 2017 had left the wicket, which proved to be more reliable than the previous day's at Stamfordham.

None the less, Easby fell in the first over. This brought Gall to the crease, eager to improve his CERN batting figures of 2 innings with 0 runs scored. He soon managed a single, much to the acclamation of the thronging spectators. L. Osborne provided some company until he fell for 13, bringing father J. Osborne to the wicket. A healthy stand of 56 followed, with Gall eventually falling to Rahim (who by then was able to bowl) for a remarkable 51. J. Osborne and Fielder then accumulated 31 for the 4<sup>th</sup> wicket before Osborne creamed a catch straight to Cooper off Cross. Fielder finished with 19 not out and the innings closed on 148 for 5 wickets; Cross took 1-8 and Cooper 1-21, finishing a good weekend with the ball. Another newcomer, Raj, had bowled tightly in both matches with admirable figures of 1-17 and 1-22.

Like the CERN innings of the previous day, the TSCC innings struggled to make headway. Horsford was unavailable and both openers fell to the Osborne father/son bowling attack. CERN's bowling was much improved from the previous day, the third wicket falling when a frustrated Rahim lobbed the ball to a grateful J. Osborne off Onions for 10. Raj threatened to break away with some well-timed strokes, but was LBW to Gall for 13 playing across the line. S. Fellows tried to breathe life back into the innings with 19 quick runs, but he was also well caught by Gall, again off the bowling of Onions. TSCC were dismissed for 99. Notable was the bowling of Onions, 4-18; J. Osborne, 1-7 off 7 overs; and Cruikshank whose sharp caught and bowled was his first wicket for the CERN cricket team (he also came up with the title for the weekend).

The teams parted on the normal amicable terms. The initial concerns over arrangements were by now forgotten and a good weekend, in fine weather, was had by all.







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## **Bellingham - 2019.**

### **Tourists**

**Clarke A, Clarke M, Cooper L, Corrie R, Cross A, Fellows N, Fellows P, Fellows S, Hilton G, Lilley M, Marshall A (C), Morgan G, Parkes A, Robinson T (Alick's mate), Walley G, Whitworth N. (16)**

### **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019 - TSCC v CERN.**

TSCC 238 - 8 (Matt Clarke 61, Neil Fellows 59, Mark Lilley 29.)  
CERN 77 - 10 (Louis Osborne 40 n.o. Ady Marshall 4 – 26, Les. Cooper 3 – 5)

### **Result.**

TSCC won by 161 Runs

### **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2019 - TSCC v CERN**

CERN 148 – 8 (J Osborne 75 not out, J Gall 43, Alick Cross 5 for 15)  
TSCC 100 – 10 (J Syrat 3 for 19)

### **Result**

CERN won by 48 Runs

## Summary – 2019

It was with a heavy heart that we had to tour this year for the first time without Brian – his passing in January left a huge hole in the Trafford Solicitors Cricket Team that just couldn't be filled. However, in his memory we managed a grand turn out which included Nick Whitworth and Andy Parkes and a few other familiar faces from previous visits. Ady Marshall skippered the team.



### **Trafford Solicitors CC v CERN CC. Match report: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

On an unexpectedly sunny afternoon Trafford Solicitors CC and CERN CC faced off for the inaugural Brian Whitworth Cup kindly donated by the Riverdale Hall Hotel. After winning the toss Trafford decided to bat first and Alick Cross and Gary Hilton opened up. Gary fell after only a couple but Alick got the innings underway with a quick-fire 17 before being stumped.

Neil Fellows and Matt Clarke then batted admirably, both scoring their personal best scores of 59 and 61 respectively in a stand of 122. This really put the game beyond Cern, however Mark Lilley (29) and Adrian Marshall (24 PB) put together a cameo partnership of over 50.

At the end of the first innings Trafford Solicitors had posted a score of 239. This was a fine score and very much down to the fact that CERN bowled too short and our batters were able to capitalise, despite the tough outfield conditions.

After the lunch break Les Cooper and Adrian opened up the bowling. The plan was to pitch it up and rotate the bowling in order to keep the batsmen on their toes and hopefully not let John Osbourne settle. However, a sound piece of advice from Les was to keep bowling the openers through if we felt we were on top.

This proved to be wise words as the CERN wickets quickly fell without troubling the scorers. Ady posted figures of 8-1-26-4 whilst Les posted 8-4-5-3. A fantastic effort by both that really wrapped up the game with the score on 31 for 7 after the first 16 overs. Gary Hilton took a double wicket maiden in his first over having replaced the skipper to further reduce CERN to 31 for 9, leaving Cern's top scorer Louis Osborne to post a brave 40\* from number 9 to give the Swiss side a modicum of respect. Final score and winners of the Brian Whitworth Cup, Trafford Solicitors 239 for 8, CERN CC 77 all out.

### **Trafford Solicitors CC v CERN CC. Match report. Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July.**

Sunday saw the teams take to the field again with CERN taking up first batting duties. John Osbourne was out for revenge and was keen to improve on his 1 run from the day before. He batted admirably with a fine 75\*, most of which came by the way of singles. When Chris Easby fell for 8, with the score at 19 for one the game could have gone either way but John was joined by Jonathan Gall who added 43 before falling to Tony Clarke.

John was supported by a string of batsmen. However, despite the magnificent bowling of Alick Cross with a tour best of 5-1-15-5, we could not get John out (assisted perhaps by the decision to stand down the demon opening bowlers from the previous day), and he really took the game away from Trafford.

The Trafford innings on the Sunday of tour was traditionally opened by Brian Whitworth. This year, his Son Nick, had the honours and proudly took his Dad's place, alongside Andy Parkes, also

returning to Bellingham for the first time in a while. Nick proved to be Whitworth by name, Whitworth by nature and scored a duck after 8 well defended dot balls.

The Trafford innings never really got going although tour debutant Tony Robinson scored 13 and Paul Fellows scored a tour best 19\*. Final scores, CERN CC 148 for 8, Trafford Solicitors CC 100 for 10.

A great weekend had by all and thank you to CERN CC for two great games and for the staff of Riverdale Hall for the very kind gesture of donating the Brian Whitworth Cup. See you all next year!







## **A View from the Other Side**

### **CERN v Trafford Solicitors Bellingham 7&8 July 2019 – “Gnomegate”**

The sun was shining on Bellingham for the first annual meeting since the very sad passing of Brian Whitworth.

Trafford travelled with a large party this year, including Brian's son, and CERN managed to muster 12 players despite all sorts of last minute changes/dropouts including one player (who will remain nameless) who declared themselves physically unfit to field or run, but willing to bat with a runner, on the eve of the event !

CERN lost the toss on the Saturday and Trafford elected to bat in a 40 over match. The wicket was as unpredictable as ever, and the long outfield made batting very difficult. This made the Trafford final score of 238 for 8 even more remarkable. Two batsmen (Neil Fellows and Matt Clarke) scored 60 plus. The score would have been much higher without the sharp fielding of Jonathan Gall, Louis Osborne and Tom Cruikshank, and the rock solid wicket keeping by Chris Easby.

The CERN reply was very poor, with Louis Osborne the only batsman to perform with a flamboyant 40 not out. CERN ended up with a below par 77, the pick of the bowlers was man of the match Les Cooper with 3 wickets off 8 overs for only 5 runs.

The Saturday night dinner and after drinks entertainment were as enjoyable as ever, with a touch of sadness due to absent friends. Trafford presented CERN President Chris Onions with a rather large cricketing gnome in memory of Brian. Sadly, in the after-dinner melee on the dancefloor the gnome suffered a nasty head injury, having been knocked off a table due to some over exuberant dancing. The inquiry is still on-going and CCTV footage is being checked, but the prime suspect will remain secret. To make matters worse, the cardboard cut-out of Brian was standing adjacent to the incident, he would have laughed! The gnome has been sent to Beamish Museum for restoration and will hopefully make a reappearance in 2020.

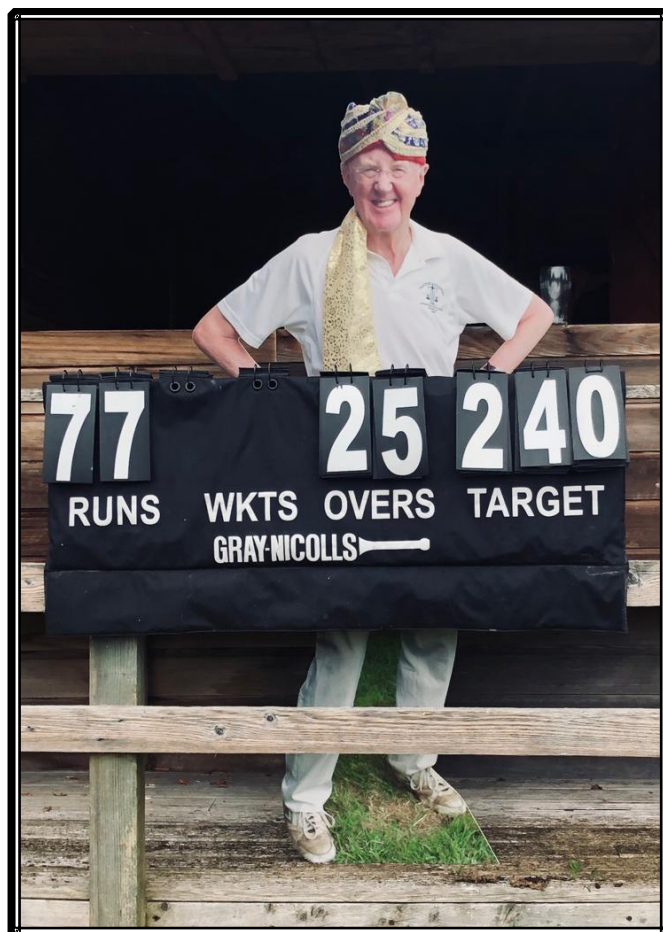
Trafford made a few changes for Sunday and with the kinder bowling, CERN were able to post a much more respectable total of 148 with John Osborne carrying his bat to make 75 runs and Jonathan Gall a gung-ho 43.

Trafford really never got going, ending up with 100 runs. Pascal Badan bowled well and took his first ever catch in a match, followed quickly by his second off his own bowling.

Special thanks go to the local players who turned up at short notice on the Sunday to play for CERN (Steven Birkby and Phil Roxby).









## **Bellingham - 2020.**



There's nothing more to be said.

Mercifully I haven't received any reports of serious casualties from the pandemic.

## **Bellingham - 2021.**

### **Tourists**

**Clarke A, Clarke M, Cooper L, Corrie R, Cross A, Fellows N, Fellows P, Fellows S,  
Goodyear K, Horsford S, Marshall A, Morgan G, Parkes A, Robinson T (Moff),  
Truesdale C, Truesdale R, Vij R, Walley G, Whitworth N. (19)**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021.**

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021.**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

It was with great regret that CERN C.C. once again was scuppered by the lock down rules and travel restrictions resulting from the on-going COVID 19 pandemic.

There was a faint hope that perhaps they could muster a couple of UK based players, but alas it never materialised. That was until I bumped into Keith Goodyear at an Outcasts 2020 C.C. fixture with Broadbottom C.C. who Keith turns out for in their mid-week casuals team. I don't think he needed much persuasion in joining the party which comprised most of the Bellingham regulars plus a couple of guys from Outcasts 2020 C.C.

As is the norm, Friday is golf day and as usual the issue of handicaps dominated discussion prior to the weekend. The majority of the weekend party all travelled up Friday morning, with Glyn, Keith and Steve who would arrive later and Raj who would join us on Saturday morning. Chris Truesdale and Geoff opted to sit out the golf in favour of the Riverdale Hall facilities and as usual Russ acted as driver in one of the Fellows buggies. Regrettably Glyn had also decided to sit out the golf – perhaps he's been traumatised too much in the past.

For the record the handicaps were as follows:

Paul – 30, Stu and Nick – 27, Ady and Tony C – 25, Matt, Les and Tony R – 23, Neil, and Alick 21, and a harsh 18 and 14 for Ron and Andy respectively - (sorry chaps but you're the only regular golfers and have 'official' handicaps).

Nick was extremely pleased to win the competition with Andy and (perhaps remarkably) Paul joint runners up. Stuart took the wooden spoon and it was noted that he lost more balls on the course than his handicap score – Glyn take note.

A convivial Friday evening was had by all back at the Riverdale, although the restrictions in place governing the pandemic rules meant it was a somewhat more sedate affair than in the past. The major down side was that Sirloin Steak was not on the menu – shock horror! Much debate and discussion during the rest of the evening was around the make-up of the two teams to battle it out on the cricket pitch the following day.

### **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021.**

We had a very healthy group of 17 cricketers plus Geoff and Ron who had opted to take on the umpiring duties. The group was nicely split in to two teams representing the TSCC 'Originals' and the TSCC 'Outcasts'. I had to find the right balance of player ability so as to make a competitive match – more of which later for the Sunday game. I think I skippered the Outcasts but it may have more likely been Chris! Ady skippered the Originals. And so, we had two teams that on paper meant we could have some form of rivalry and equal composition – one of 9 and one 8 with spare players rotating to field. After agonising over the ability issue and the fact that Raj hadn't arrived at the start of the game, Ady very generously offered up Stuart to the Outcasts.

The cricket field and square was better prepared this year but as ever it would prove to be a challenging one for bowler, batter and fielder. Both captains agreed on a 30 over format with an enforced retirement rule at 30. The match itself was played quite competitively and as expected Stuart comfortably reached retirement without too much difficulty. Of the Originals bowlers, the scorebook shows that Matt took some tap courtesy of Stuart and some streaky edges off me on my way to a retirement and the Outcasts batting was offered some stability from Chris and Raj. Paul did a fine job behind the stumps with a couple of catches. Tony C inevitably was the pick of the Originals bowlers with 3 wickets. At the close of the innings, we retired for the customary tea (or was it lunch?) just as the clouds filled in and the predicted rain threatened to put an end to the day's proceedings. However, with the benefit of weather forecasting technology and good fortune, we were able to take to the field as the rain cleared and as we were about to retire to the bar – I think some of the party had already made their way there!

After a scramble we got the second innings underway with Neil and Matt opening for the Originals. Tony R (Moff to his mates) gallantly volunteered to keep wicket – something he hadn't done for many a year if at all. Neil and Ady were undone by the slow bowling of Keith and Raj respectively, but Matt bludgeoned his way to his retirement. Tony C was going nicely before he was unfortunately run out by Steve F. Chris held on to a caught and bowled to claim Nick's wicket but the winning target was reached with Glyn and Paul partnering at the end to win a close game with 8 balls to spare. I think we can call the day a great success.



Once again, the evening was a more sedate one and still no sirloin, but the awards and fines were delivered with great enthusiasm and flair by Andy. The Brian Whitworth Trophy was presented to Ady and will be safely stored away until our usual opponents make a return.

### **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021.**

What format should we use for the Sunday fixture was the topic discussed over breakfast. Should we stay with the same two teams, should we have a two innings format with the first carried over from the day before or try something else? After a bit of head scratching and organising a poll amongst the players, we could field two teams based on age over 51 and under 51 and this time we only had 16 players – Steve F was last seen under a duvet. Ron and Geoff once again did the honours out in the middle. The agreed format being a T20 with an enforced 25 retirement.

The over 51's fielded first with Stuart opening for the under 51's. It often happens in all grades of cricket that expectations fail to materialise, and this time Stuart missed a low straight ball delivered by Keith to send him back to the pavilion without troubling the scorer too much. Alas, Matt, Neil and Raj all retired at the enforced retirement point with Chris and Russ seeing out the innings. The bowling was shared amongst all 8 players in the over 51's team.



In reply, the Over 51's struggled throughout to accumulate runs quickly enough to keep up with the required rate. Alick, Tony C and Keith each got into double figures but the target proved to be too much for the older chaps to reach while the bowling was particularly strong – Ady and Chris being the pick of the attack with determined miserly spells rewarded with wickets to break the back of the over 51's batting attack. Neil put in a sterling performance behind the stumps. Russ, as ever, clearly enjoyed himself with a red inker and a couple of overs. He was rewarded with the match ball which he said he'll treasure – we might need it next year though Russ!

So there we have it – under the circumstances the weekend was a great success – Keith being the sole representative of CERN C.C. Glyn and the contingent of the Outcasts all stayed over on the Sunday to extend the weekend. We had a stroll down into the village prior to our evening dinner to find the Black Dog closed, but our visit to the Rose and Crown was a good substitute. I didn't know outside lavatories still existed!



Let's all hope 2022 brings renewed enthusiasm for this annual weekend away and that CERN C.C. are able to come over and continue what has become a must do fixture in our cricket calendar. As for Solicitors C.C. season 2021 in the league proved to be a season too far. We just couldn't guarantee to fulfil the fixture list in the South Manchester Causals Cricket League, even though we were the current holders of the league trophy carried over from 2019. There just wasn't enough commitment from the mid-week team to ensure we could put out a side week in week out, so it was with a heavy heart that the cricket committee decided to call it a day and we resigned from the league before the season got underway. There was an initial response of disagreement from a couple of individuals but with the reality of having to organise and fulfil the commitments to the league it was realised that it was an arduous and difficult, often hopeless, task and it all went quiet with no volunteers to step forward into the organisational role. But, happily the Bellingham weekend survived this year and has the expectation and promise to continue in the years ahead. With the success of including some of the Outcasts 2020 C.C. players, it's hoped we can capitalise on this into the future too – perhaps including them in the CERN C.C. team if they struggle for numbers. As they say watch this space and bring on July 2022.

Now for the Stats bit – I'm sorry to say that the stats for these two games will not count as 'first class' matches i.e. they will not be appearing in the Bellingham overall statistics and averages records.

### **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021. TSCC Originals V TSCC Outcasts.**

#### **TSCC Outcasts Batting**

Stuart Horsford	33 retired	Not Out
Russ Corrie	0	Ct & Bld Matt Clarke
Steve Fellows	2	Ct Paul Fellows B Ady Marshall
Alick Cross	1	Bowled Tony Clarke
Tony Robinson	2	Ct Nick Whitworth B Tony Clarke
Chris Truesdale	27	St Paul Fellows B Tony Clarke
Les Cooper	31 retired	Not Out
Keith Goodyear	1	Not Out
Raj Vij	15	Not Out
Extras	6 wides	
Totals	118 for 5 off 30 Overs	

<b>TSCC Originals Bowling</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Wickets</b>
Ady Marshall	6	0	19	1
Matt Clarke	6	0	39	1
Tony Clarke	6	0	18	3
Glyn Morgan	3	0	8	0
Andy Parkes	3	0	17	0
Nick Whitworth	3	0	9	0
Neil Fellows	3	1	8	0
Totals	30	1	118	5

#### **TSCC Originals Batting**

Neil Fellows	6	Ct Stuart Horsforth	B Keith Goodyear
Matt Clarke	30 retired	Not Out	
Ady Marshall	3	B Raj Vij	
Andy Parkes	31 retired	Not Out	
Tony Clarke	26	Run Out (Steve Fellows)	
Nick Whitworth	4	Ct & B Chris Truesdale	
Paul Fellows	3	Not Out	
Glyn Morgan	8	Not Out	
Extras	8	1 bye, 1 leg bye, 4 wides, 2 no balls	
Totals	119	for	4 off 28.4 overs

<b>TSCC Outcasts Bowling</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Wickets</b>
Keith Goodyear	4	0	20	1
Raj Vij	4	0	21	1
Alick Cross	4	0	18	0
Steve Fellows	4	0	17	0
Les Cooper	3.4	0	16	0
Chris Truesdale	6	1	21	1
Stuart Horsford	3	1	4	0
Fielding Extras				2
Totals	28.4	2	119	4

## Sunday 4<sup>rd</sup> July 2021. Under 51's V Over 51's.

### Under 51's Batting

Stuart Horsford	3		B Keith Goodyear
Matt Clarke	25	retired	Not Out
Neil Fellows	27	retired	Not Out
Raj Vij	26	retired	Not Out
Chris Truesdale	13		Not Out
Russ Corrie	4		Not Out
Ady Marshall			Did not bat
Paul Fellows			Did not bat
Steve Fellows			Absent without leave
Extras	4	4 wides	
Totals	102	for	1 wicket off 20 overs

### Over 51's Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Nick Whitworth	3	0	8	0
Keith Goodyear	3	0	13	1
Tony Robinson	3	0	21	0
Tony Clarke	3	0	10	0
Glyn Morgan	3	0	22	0
Andy Parkes	1	0	11	0
Alick Cross	3	0	13	0
Les Cooper	1	0	4	0
Fielding Extras			0	
Totals	20	0	102	1

### Over 51's Batting

Nick Whitworth	4		B Chris Truesdale
Alick Cross	14		Ct Neil Fellows    B Ady Marshall
Tony Clarke	12		Ct Neil Fellows    B Ady Marshall
Keith Goodyear	16		Ct Neil Fellows    B Paul Fellows
Tony Robinson	1		B Ady Marshall
Les Cooper	8		B Paul Fellows
Andy Parkes	5		Not Out
Glyn Morgan	6		Not Out
Extras	4		
Totals	70	for 6 wickets	off 20 overs



<b>Under 51's Bowling</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Wickets</b>
Chris Truesdale	3	1	5	1
Raj Vij	3	0	12	0
Matt Clarke	3	0	11	0
Ady Marshall	3	0	5	3
Russ Corrie	2	0	8	0
Paul Fellows	3	0	11	2
Stuart Horsford	3	0	15	0
Fielding Extras			3	
Totals	20	1	70	6

## **Bellingham - 2022.**

### **Tourists**

**Barnes A, Clarke A, Clarke M, Cooper L, Corrie R, Cross A, Fellows N, Fellows P,  
Lilley M, Morgan G, Parkes A, Robinson T (Moff), Truesdale C, Truesdale R,  
Walley G, Whitworth N. (16)**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022.**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022.**

**TSCC v CERN C.C.**

TSCC – 177 for 10. (C. Truesdale 66, A. Barnes 27 not out. A. Farricker 2 for 6  
and 3 catches)

CERN C.C. 181 for 1. (A. Farricker 76 not out, R. Osborne 71 not out)

Result – CERN C.C. won by 9 wickets.

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022.**

**TSCC v CERN C.C.**

CERN C.C. 217 for 7 off 30 overs (Andrew 83 retired n.o. Martin 43)

TSCC 139 for 10 - 30 overs. (M Clarke 42, N Fellows 28. P Cruickshank 3 for 13)

Result – CERN won by 78 runs

Normal service resumes in 2022. Thankfully CERN are able to return after the enforced 2 year absence. TSCC for that matter and despite the mid-week team no longer operating managed to keep their regular touring party together albeit with a few notable absentees this year. However, this was never going to be an issue nor detract from what is the high point of both teams cricket calendar.

New to the TSCC party this time around was Adam Barnes, but it wasn't his first visit to Bellingham. He was last seen in these parts appearing for the Manchester Planners C.C. on a few occasions in the 1990's. Also making their 2<sup>nd</sup> appearance was the Truesdale father and son duo (Chris was an established TSCC mid-week player in between his role as Outcasts 2020 C.C. supremo) who both made their debut to Bellingham last year.

The usual crew met up Friday am at Tebay services for breakfast – Nick was justifiably aggrieved that his half a tomato counted as one item towards his 7 items breakfast. No traffic issues this year on the journey to the Riverdale where we all met up – Andy inexplicably took the wrong exit off the M6 and promptly blamed his sat-nav, why he needed to resort to using it after all these years is somewhat disconcerting.

So, onto the golf for the traditional Friday opener to the weekend. We had 3 groups out, Tony C and Matt with Andy and Nick, Les and Ron with Alick and Tony R (Moff) and Mark

and Neil with Paul and Russ. The handicaps were distributed this year without too much complaining or dispute and yet again proved to be set at the correct balance with Matt winning by one point on 22 and Andy's 21 second on a count back with me 3<sup>rd</sup>. Nearest the pin was Mark, Alick and Andy also landing on the green, and Tony R (Moff) hit the longest drive (with an iron!) but also picked up the wooden spoon – perhaps his was the only harsh handicap.

Onto Friday evening and before dinner we had the unveiling ceremony of the Brian Whitworth and TSCC memorial bench. The team and CERN C.C. gathered around the edge of the cricket field where a few words of remembrance was made. I'm sure Brain would have been looking down with pride – Nick videoed the proceedings and sent them back to the family who I know were touched by the occasion and appreciative of the gesture. It was comforting that Geoff was able to make the weekend to be involved.





For the record the residue of the club funds together with a number of generous donations from some of the TSCC players funded the bench with the kind assistance from the Riverdale Hall Hotel.



### **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022. TSCC v CERN CC. (40 overs)**

An impressive touring squad of 16 this year and all the usual anticipation and discussion around who'll do what was the precursor to the resumption of this annual fixture. However, TSCC were somewhat light on strength in depth with some notable absentees. CERN on the other hand looked strong with a combination of regulars and some new faces who gave the impression they were not too unfamiliar with either bat or ball. TSCC won the toss (Alick skippering the team for the first time) and elected to bat.

Neil Fellows and Chris Truesdale were given the task of opening the innings but some tight bowling by Louis Osborne and Achintya restricted the scoring rate. Aaron Farricker behind the stumps proved to be a thorn in the side of TSCC and it wasn't long before he took the first of 3 catches – Neil edging for 7. Mark Lilley, in at three, hit 3 boundaries in his accumulation of 18 but also edged to Aaron. Matt Clarke was disappointingly run out cheaply for 11 and there followed a run of wickets tumbling for not many runs. All the while, Chris was accumulating a decent score with his accustomed quick running between the wickets and picking off the bad deliveries. When Adam Barnes came in at 10 he was only going to play one way and try to do as much damage as possible. His 27 not out included a six and 2 fours. Chris had eventually succumbed to Aaron's third catch for a very creditable 66 and when Glyn was caught at short mid-wicket by Jonathon Gall the innings closed on 177. The score was helped by 31 extras – many of which could not be accredited to Aaron Farricker whilst on duty behind the stumps, rather some wayward bowling especially by Jonathon who seemed to have had a real bad attack of the yips.

The pick of the bowlers was Achintya who bagged a couple and unsurprisingly Aaron who bowled 6 overs for 6 runs with 2 maidens and 2 wickets after he gave up the gloves for a spell of bowling.

In reply, after the usual excellent afternoon tea enjoyed on the terrace, the all too familiar opening partnership of the Osborne brothers got stuck into the TSCC bowling attack which was particularly light on our regular bowlers – I was unfortunately unable to participate on the field due to a muscle injury to my upper arm sustained a couple of days earlier in an evening fixture and Ady Marshall unable to travel this year. Having said that Nick Whitworth claimed the important wicket of John Osborne, caught by Matt Clarke, but brother Richard took full advantage and easily surpassed his previous highest Saturday innings (23) on his way to an excellent 71 not out. He was accompanied all the way by that man Aaron who scored easily without any drama to 76 undefeated. Needless to say the bowlers didn't particularly come out of the innings with any distinction. The 9 wicket victory was accomplished in 34.4 overs. Thanks also to Ron Truesdale for his umpiring duties.

After the formalities of the dinner where we had our usual round up of the days events – TSCC awarded the man of the match award to Aaron and conversely CERN awarded their choice to Chris Truesdale – Glyn once again didn't disappoint on the dance floor and at one point held the participating dance troupe in the palm of his hand. Well done Glyn – video evidence can be supplied for a fee.

## **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022. TSCC v CERN C.C. (30 overs)**

The continuing fine weather awaited us on the morning after for the Sunday fixture and as usual, discussions around start times, overs and format prevailed. 30 overs per side seems to be the now normal format and with not much further to do CERN won the toss and elected to bat – a couple of new faces appeared to strengthen an already up-beat CERN C.C. XI. TSCC had decided on a rotation policy of fielders given their size of squad and this was duly acknowledged by the opposition. New 'recruit' Andrew Hale was accompanied to the square by Jack Syrat. However, the wily Ron Truesdale soon had Jack playing too early on a straight delivery without troubling the scorers. Jonathan Gall came in at 3 and it has to be said his prospects of not getting out first ball was greatly enhanced in the knowledge his tormentor of innings past was injured and wouldn't be bowling. Yes – my 'bunny' made hay along with the impressive Andrew to push the score along. Jonathan eventually succumbed just as his half century was in sight to Matt Clarke who's spell produced the only maiden over for TSCC in the entire weekend. Paul Cruickshank came and went having been run out by Chris Truesdale. The ship was steadied for a while as skipper Chris Onions batted soundly, but he fell to a well taken caught and bowled by Nick Whitworth. The second new face Martin Cull came in at 6 and showed good touches to accumulate to 43. Andrew in the meantime had done his job and by the time he reached a creditable 83 he decided it was time to retire gracefully to give the awaiting batters a chance to shine. Pascal and Rob didn't get going as they fell to Chris T and Tony C respectively – Tony Clarke for once took some punishment off his 6 overs, normally he excels in the Sunday fixture. John O and Achintya closed out the innings untroubled to leave TSCC the daunting task for reaching 218 for the win.

The Fellows brothers Paul and Neil opened the TSCC account and despite the inevitable brotherly 'banter' in the middle got off to a reasonable start, but Paul was caught and bowled for 13 (Jonathan Gall). Russ Corrie was given a promotion to number three and his delight was plain to see. In the past he would have been rather apprehensive to say the least but over the years his limited batting opportunities has seen his confidence grow. He impressed with a creditable knock of 13 which included a couple of unlikely boundaries. On the one hand he must have been delighted with his innings but somewhat disappointed to be out caught just as his confidence got the better of him – certainly the M.I.P. of the weekend. Neil Fellows looked comfortable until he was caught on 28 - Nick, Andy Parkes, Tony Clarke or Tony Robinson couldn't make much impact, but Matt Clarke had got himself in and had decided that his accustomed style of hitting out was the only way to go. Typically he bludgeoned his way to 42 only to eventually be caught in the deep on the on side by a well taken grab by Louis. I prodded and nudged around to keep one end open as Ron and Adam came and went without troubling the scorers and Mark Lilley came in at 12 to close out the innings well short of the target. And so, all in all it was really great to be back in business with good friends and although the cricket from our side was unable to match performances of past seasons there was that feeling all was now well with cricket life and the normality of the highlight of both teams calendar hadn't suffered any harm during the enforced absence of the past two years. Long may it continue. We shall meet up again next year and it can't come soon enough.

We had a good contingent of Sunday night over stayers to join the CERN team in the local hostelry in the village, but not before we embarked on a stroll (some would have called it a hike) to the waterfall of Hareshaw Linn. The pre-dinner drinks were well earned. Monday

morning saw me and Ron and Chris T break our journey home to visit Housesteads Roman Fort and Wall, where they were currently constructing a temporary structure which was to be an art installation as part of the 1900<sup>th</sup> celebrations of the fort and wall. At the time of our visit it was barely a scaffolding pile just getting started. A couple of weeks later it was revealed on national T.V. (Country File BBC) and all I can say is that it didn't suit my taste in art on the historic world heritage site. Make your own mind up!



A View from the Other Side:

## **CERN vs Trafford Solicitors 9&10 July 2022**

### **Year 1 AG (After Gnome)**

An incredibly warm spell was cast over the lovely Northumberland village of Bellingham and was boding rather well for the CERN team.

The Trafford solicitors team held a short ceremony to unveil a bench in Brian Whitworth's memory, which was much appreciated by the CERN team, a fitting tribute to a much-missed cricketer and friend. The bench is ideally placed next to the pavilion. It was put to good use during the weekend.

Not unusually, John Osborne mentioned how difficult it had been to gather a proper team for the weekend. His dedication proved fruitful though, both on and off the pitch.

On Saturday, CERN started by bowling for the 40 over match. The pitch was in rather good condition, but as slow as usual. This first innings saw a remarkable variety of bowling, despite a certain quantity of extras (the culprits shall remain anonymous), CERN could limit the damage to 178 all out in 38 overs. Jonathan Gall's diving catch, which unfortunately wasn't recorded on video, was great for the team spirit and was a topic of conversation in the evening, everyone wondering how he could have known the ball would go where it went.

But the best was to come after the lunch break as John and Richard Osborne opened the batting. It took the Solicitors a whole 14 overs to get their first and only wicket. That was John, caught for 25. Aaron Farricker then got to the crease and both he and Richard, with respectively 76 and 71, led CERN to a spectacular 9 wicket win in 34 overs.

The Saturday night dinner and drinks were enjoyed by everyone. Some enjoyed it a bit longer than others (again, culprits shall remain anonymous). One of the young waiters had to be explained how to serve Pimm's, where is the world going! Presents were exchanged. The solicitors couldn't get a new gnome for the CERN team, despite their best efforts. We were assured that one had been ordered but arrived already broken. Destiny, probably. Chris Onions gave our friendly opponent a CERN hard hat, destiny again as we'll see in Sunday's match report.

Sunday's match started at 11:00 for 30 overs. This time CERN batted first. Andrew made the show and decided to retire after 83 runs, and CERN got a grand total of 217/7, not bad in 30 overs! And it was in that over that Chris' present showed how useful it was. The Solicitors used the red hard hat as CERN traditionally use the wig, to "punish" whomever misfields or drops a catch. One of the fielders (Tony R – 'Moff') who happened to be wearing the hat, prepared for a catch after a high ball, eyes on the descending ball, adjusting his position by moving back...and back...and back...and stumbled! He missed the ball which bounced on the hat!

Bowling went well, Paul Cruikshank got 3 wickets, bowling an opponent out with a ball so slow no one thought the bails could possibly fall. Chris Onions made a good show with his two wickets, so did Louis Osborne with two as well, despite a bit of a headache. Achintya Rao showed his juggling skills for a spectacular catch and John Osborne also joined the



circus with an over-head one handed catch. And for the first time in a long, long, long time, CERN won both games, thanks to a spiffing 80 run victory on Sunday.

Many thanks to the Trafford Solicitors team for yet another great weekend of cricket and camaraderie.

The traditional Sunday late afternoon trip to the Black Bull pub had to be abandoned as it was closed for renovations, so the team went to explore the other two pubs of the village. Although drinks were fine, the lack of accessible pool tables and darts was a tad disappointing. Hopefully next year the Black Bull will be open again.



## **The CERN Years – a work in progress.**

And now for the boring bit – after diligent painstakingly hours of trawling through our endless score books, and score sheets and reports on-line courtesy of the CERN C.C. web site, I've compiled a comprehensive statistical analysis of every player who's appeared for both teams from 2005 – and on the odd occasion players who have appeared for both sides in the same match!

The author takes no responsibility whatsoever for any errors of calculation, incorrect spelling or downright poor interpretation of what was presented before him – after all, it's said there are lies, damned lies and statistics!

I've treated the weekend as two separate competitions as Saturday fixtures and Sunday fixtures. For those who would prefer to record the weekend as one, I can merge the statistical analysis into one for an appropriate remuneration.

For the record 2005 to 2022 we've gone head to head 27 times over two days. Saturdays TSCC take the honours 8 games to 6 and CERN clearly have the lesser hangovers on Sundays winning 9 matches to 3 with one match ending in a rare tie.

### **Acknowledgement and Credits.**

Thanks as always to CERN C.C and their accompanying party for coming from far and wide to make such an enjoyable weekend both on and off the cricket field.

To Chris Onions for the historical records and photos on the CERN C.C. web site and to John Osborne for granting me permission to use the photos and reports, without which this compilation would be extremely brief.

A special thanks to Brian Whitworth for all the time and trouble in order to make it all happen, including arranging the golf on the Friday, prizes, presentations and evening entertainment, and especially so for making the process of settling the hotel bill easy for the whole team.

Thanks to scorer Margaret and also to Glyn for doubling up as scorer and player and for his dad dancing to keep us entertained on the Saturday evening.

And finally appreciation to the staff at the Riverdale Hall Hotel and for presenting us with a pitch that has had its best days behind it but nevertheless good enough for two sporting sides, and in 2019 for a wonderful trophy presented by Iben to commemorate Brian's legacy, to Stamfordham C.C. for hosting our Saturday match in 2018 and to Sarah for retrieving the photos from Brian's smartphone in 2018.

## Bellingham 2005 - 2022 averages. SATURDAY Matches

Team TSCC		Batting							
		Played	Innings	Runs	Not Out	Highest	4's	6's	Average
A	Barnes	1	1	27	1	27*	1	1	
A	Clarke	11	8	29	2	7	5	0	4.83
M	Clarke	6	6	106	2	61	7	4	26.50
D	Clarkson	2	1	7	1	7*	1	0	
K	Clarkson	2	2	34	1	26*	0	0	34.00
J	Cocker	1	0	0	0		0	0	
C	Cooper	1	0	0	0		0	0	
L	Cooper	12	7	60	4	36	5	0	20.00
R	Corrie	4	0	0	0		0	0	
A	Cross	7	6	86	1	29	4	2	17.20
J	Dean	1	1	4	0		0	0	4.00
P	Fellows	11	7	37	3	16	3	0	9.25
N	Fellows	13	11	249	0	62	19	9	22.64
S	Fellows	4	3	35	1	24	3	3	
S	Foden	1	1	0	0		0	0	
S	Gunter	1	1	24	0	24	3	0	24.00
G	Hilton	4	4	20	0	17	0	0	5.00
M	Hoban	4	4	94	0	53	10	3	23.50
S	Hopton	1	1	17	0	17	3	0	17.00
S	Horsford	4	4	442	2	197*	38	31	221.00
M	Jerath	1	1	24	0	24	0	2	24.00
S	Jerath	1	1	38	0	38	3	0	38.00
M	Lilley	10	9	117	1	37*	14	2	14.63
A	Marshall	8	6	67	0	24	6	1	11.17
P	Marshall	3	2	2	0	2	0	0	1.00
G	Morgan	13	6	12	1	6	1	1	2.40
S	Nash	1	1	0	0		0	0	
A	Parkes	2	1	7	0	7	1	0	7.00
M	Priestley	1	1	28	1	28*	3	0	
J	Rahim	1	1	53	0	53	6	0	53.00
S	Rigby	1	1	0	0		0	0	
M	Shipley	1	0	0	0		0	0	
C	Truesdale	1	1	66	0	66	7	0	66.00
R	Vaughan	1	1	40	0	40	3	0	40.00
R	Vij	1	1	6	0	6	1	0	6.00
C	Walley	7	7	263	2	63*	27	4	52.60
G	Walley	8	3	42	0	20	3	0	14.00
J	Wheeldon	1	1	15	0	15	1	0	15.00
B	Whitworth	12	5	16	1	11	0	0	4.00
N	Whitworth	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	

Team TSCC		Bowling								
		Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	B.B	Ave	S. Rate	E.Rate	
A	Barnes	0	. 0							
A	Clarke	60	. 0	5	228	16	4 - 14	14.25	22.50	3.80
M	Clarke	30	. 0	2	133	6	3 - 29	22.17	30.00	4.43
D	Clarkson	0	. 0	0	0					
K	Clarkson	1	. 0	0	2	1	2 - 1	2.00	6.00	2.00
J	Cocker	2	. 0	0	27	0				13.50
C	Cooper	6	. 0	0	26	0	0 - 26			4.33
L	Cooper	80	. 0	7	284	12	4 - 18	23.67	40.00	3.55
R	Corrie	0	. 0							
A	Cross	8	. 0	0	39	0	0 - 39			4.88
J	Dean	0	. 0	0	0	0				
P	Fellows	50	. 5	4	226	8	2 - 25	28.25	38.13	4.52
N	Fellows	46	. 3	2	225	7	2 - 18	32.14	39.86	4.89
S	Fellows	12	. 0	1	39	3	2 - 17	13.00	24.00	3.25
S	Foden	0	. 0							
S	Gunter	0	. 0							
G	Hilton	6	. 0	1	31	3	1 - 14	10.33	12.00	5.17
M	Hoban	0	. 0	0	0	0				
S	Hopton	2	. 0	0	9	1	1 - 9	9.00	12.00	4.50
S	Horsford	9	. 2	2	37	1	1 - 5	37.00	56.00	4.11
M	Jerath	0	. 0							
S	Jerath	0	. 0							
M	Lilley	28	. 9	1	141	4	2 - 15	35.25	44.25	5.04
A	Marshall	59	. 0	7	207	18	5 - 18	11.50	19.67	3.51
P	Marshall	16	. 0	3	50	2	1 - 14	25.00	48.00	3.13
G	Morgan	16	. 0	0	80	2	2 - 1	40.00	48.00	5.00
S	Nash	2	. 0	0	21	0	0 - 21			10.50
A	Parkes	0	. 0	0	0	0				
M	Priestley	7	. 0	0	47	2	2 - 47	23.50	21.00	6.71
J	Rahim	6	. 0	2	19	1	1 - 19	19.00	36.00	3.17
S	Rigby	0	. 0							
M	Shipley	0	. 0							
C	Truesdale	3	. 0	0	26	0				
R	Vaughan	5	. 0	1	12	1	1 - 12	12.00	30.00	2.40
R	Vij	6	. 0	0	17	1	1 - 17	17.00	36.00	2.83
C	Walley	0	. 0	0	0	0				
G	Walley	0	. 0	0	0	0				
J	Wheeldon	4	. 0	0	10	1	1 - 10	10.00	24.00	2.50
B	Whitworth	0	. 0							
N	Whitworth	3	. 0	0	21	1	1 - 21	21.00	18.00	7.00



Team TSCC			
		Catches	Stumpings
A	Barnes	0	0
A	Clarke	4	0
M	Clarke	2	0
D	Clarkson	0	0
K	Clarkson	1	0
J	Cocker	0	0
C	Cooper	0	0
L	Cooper	0	0
R	Corrie	0	0
A	Cross	5	2
J	Dean	0	0
P	Fellows	2	0
N	Fellows	7	0
S	Fellows	0	0
S	Foden	0	0
S	Gunter	0	0
G	Hilton	0	0
M	Hoban	0	0
S	Hopton	0	0
S	Horsford	3	0
M	Jerath	1	0
S	Jerath	0	0
M	Lilley	1	0
A	Marshall	1	0
P	Marshall	0	0
G	Morgan	1	0
S	Nash	1	0
A	Parkes	0	0
M	Priestley	1	0
J	Rahim	0	0
S	Rigby	0	0
M	Shiple	0	0
C	Truesdale	0	0
R	Vaughan	2	0
R	Vij	0	0
C	Walley	1	0
G	Walley	0	0
J	Wheeldon	0	0
B	Whitworth	0	0
N	Whitworth	0	0

<b>Bellingham 2005 - 2022 averages. SATURDAY Matches</b>									
<b>Team CERN</b>		<b>Batting</b>							
		Played	Innings	Runs	Not Out	Highest	4's	6's	Average
D	Allen	2	2	22	0	14	2	0	11.00
P	Badan	3	2	0	0		0	0	0.00
M	Barrett	1	0	0	0		0	0	
R	Campbell	3	3	9	0		0	0	3.00
A	Chatoo	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0.50
U	Clay	2	2	9	0	6	0	0	4.50
J	Cocker	1	0	0	0		0	0	
P	Crook	1	1	24	0	24	1	1	24.00
P	Cruickshank	7	4	12	1	6 *	2	0	4.00
J	Cruickshank	2	0	0	0		0	0	
T	Cruickshank	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	
C	Easby	1	1	8	0	0	0	1	
M	Elliot	4	4	120	1	56	10	6	40.00
T	Elvin	5	5	222	0	95	27	7	44.40
A	Farricker	1	1	76	1	76*	11	1	
P	Fellows	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
R	Fielder	3	2	29	0	21	2	0	14.50
J	Gall	3	2	3	0	3*	0	0	
K	Goodyear	11	10	75	2	32 *	10	0	9.38
T	Goodyear	9	5	29	3	13	4	0	14.50
A	Hale	1							
S	Horn	1	1	8	0	8	1	0	8.00
J	Mason	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	
S	McIlwraith	1	1	7	0	13 *	0	0	
W	McNaught	1	1	13	1	13 *	1	0	
C	Onions	13	9	65	0	30	4	0	7.22
J	Osborne	14	14	511	2	123	47	5	42.58
R	Osborne	13	13	162	2	71*	14	2	14.73
L	Osborne	9	6	64	2	40*	3	5	16.00
B	Paterson	1	0	0	0		0	0	
B	Percival	1	1	0	0		0	0	0.00
J	Price	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1.00
A	Rao	1	0	0	0		0	0	
M	Roe	1	1	26	0	26	3	1	26.00
W	Salter	1	1	9	0	9	0	0	9.00
R	Saunders	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	
E	Schyns	2	2	42	2	42 *	5	0	
E	Sharp	1	1	3	0	3	0	0	3.00
J	Sharp	1	1	15	0	15	0	0	15.00
S	Skilton	2	2	30	1	27	0	0	30.00
M	Smith	1	0	0	0		0	0	
X	Stucki	1	0	0	0		0	0	
J	Syrat	7	4	6	0	5	0	0	1.50
N	Vevers	1	1	5	1	5 *	0	0	
J	Wall	8	7	254	1	117	21	11	42.3333
P	Wall	3	1	2	0	2	0	0	2
A	Waugh	1	0	0	0		0	0	
A	Webber	1	1	0	1		0	0	

Team CERN		Bowling								
		Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	B.B	Ave	S. Rate	E.Rate	
D	Allen	7	0	0	51	2	2 - 32	25.50	21.00	7.29
P	Badan	7	0	0	45	0	0 - 18			
M	Barrett	4	0	0	16	0	0 - 16			4.00
R	Campbell	18	0	0	81	2		40.50	54.00	4.50
A	Chatoo	0	0	0	0	0				
U	Clay	0	0	0	0	0				
J	Cocker	4	0	0	14	1	1 - 14	14.00	24.00	3.50
P	Crook	8	0	0	41	1	1 - 41	41.00	48.00	5.13
P	Cruickshank	2	0	0	10	1				
J	Cruickshank	0	0	0	0	0				
T	Cruickshank	0	0	0	0	0				
C	Easby	0	0	0	0	0				
M	Elliot	28	0	7	88	4	2 - 35	22.00	42.00	3.14
T	Elvin	8	0	0	31	2	2 - 31	15.50	24.00	3.88
A	Farricker	6	0	2	6	2	2 - 6	3.00	18.00	1.00
P	Fellows	4	0	0	21	1	1 - 21	21.00	24.00	5.25
R	Fielder	1	3	0	7	0	0 - 7			7.00
J	Gall	12	0	1	80	3	3 - 42	26.67	24.00	6.67
K	Goodyear	47	4	1	255	9	3 - 16	28.33	31.78	5.43
T	Goodyear	47	2	2	217	11	4 - 7	19.73	25.82	4.62
A	Hale	0	0	0	0	0				
S	Horn	0	0	0	0	0				
J	Mason	0	0	0	0	0				
S	McIlwraith	5	0	0	37	1	1 - 16	37.00	30.00	7.40
W	McNaught	2	0	0	16	1	1 - 16	16.00	12.00	8.00
C	Onions	77	0	11	282	13	4 - 21	21.69	35.54	3.66
J	Osborne	25	0	1	142	3	2-53	47.33	50.00	5.68
R	Osborne	16	0	0	65	2	1-20	32.50	48.00	4.06
L	Osborne	36	7	3	201	4	3-29	50.25	55.75	5.58
B	Paterson	0	0	0	0	0				
B	Percival	4	0	2	12	1	1 - 12	12.00	24.00	3.00
J	Price	0	0	0	0	0				
A	Rao	6	2	0	27	2	2 - 27	13.50	19.60	4.35
M	Roe	6	0	0	16	0	0 - 16			2.67
W	Salter	0	0	0	0	0				
R	Saunders	13	3	1	43	0	0 - 15			3.31
E	Schyns	1	2	0	9	1	1 - 9	9.00	8.00	9.00
E	Sharp	8	0	1	26	0	0 - 26			3.25
J	Sharp	5	0	1	31	0	0 - 31			6.20
S	Skilton	0	0	0	0	0				
M	Smith	5	2	1	13	0	0 - 13			2.60
X	Stucki	4	0	1	14	3	3 - 14	4.67	8.00	3.50
J	Syrat	1	0	0	4	1	1-4	4.00	6.00	4.00
N	Vevers	4	0	0	26	0	0 - 26			6.50
J	Wall	56	0	10	173	14	3 - 14 (2)	12.36	24	3.09
P	Wall	3	0	0	18	2	2 - 18	9	9	6
A	Waugh	0	0	0	0	0				
A	Webber	0	0	0	0	0				

<b>Team CERN</b>			
		<b>Catches</b>	<b>Stumpings</b>
D	Allen	0	0
P	Badan	1	1
M	Barrett	0	0
R	Campbell	0	0
A	Chatoo	0	0
U	Clay	0	0
J	Cocker	0	0
P	Crook	0	0
P	Cruickshank	1	0
J	Cruickshank	0	0
T	Cruickshank	0	0
C	Easby	0	0
M	Elliot	3	0
T	Elvin	2	0
A	Farricker	3	0
P	Fellows	0	0
R	Fielder	1	0
J	Gall	4	0
K	Goodyear	1	0
T	Goodyear	0	0
A	Hale	0	0
S	Horn	0	1
J	Mason	0	0
S	Mcllwraith	1	0
W	McNaught	1	0
C	Onions	6	0
J	Osborne	5	0
R	Osborne	2	0
L	Osborne	1	0
B	Paterson	0	0
B	Percival	1	0
J	Price	0	0
A	Rao	0	0
M	Roe	0	0
W	Salter	0	0
R	Saunders	0	0
E	Schyns	0	0
E	Sharp	0	0
J	Sharp	0	0
S	Skilton	1	0
M	Smith	0	0
X	Stucki	2	0
J	Syrat	2	0
N	Vevers	0	0
J	Wall	1	0
P	Wall	3	0
A	Wagh	0	0
A	Webber	0	0



## Bellingham 2005 - 2022 averages. SUNDAY Matches

Team TSCC		Batting							
		Played	Innings	Runs	Not Out	Highest	4's	6's	Average
A	Barnes	1	1	0	0		0	0	
A	Clarke	11	9	144	2	33 *	15	0	20.57
M	Clarke	5	5	84	0	42	5	3	16.80
D	Clarkson	1	0	0	0		0	0	
K	Clarkson	1	1	37	1	37 *	2	1	
J	Cocker	1	1	2	0	2	0	0	2.00
C	Cooper	1	1	0	0		0	0	
L	Cooper	13	11	64	2	17	3	1	7.11
R	Corrie	7	6	19	1	13	2	0	3.80
A	Cross	8	7	47	1	13	4	1	7.83
J	Dean	1	1	5	0	5	0	0	5.00
P	Fellows	12	11	81	2	19*	5	1	9.00
N	Fellows	10	9	168	2	44	22	1	24.00
S	Fellows	3	3	39	0	19	0	1	13.00
S	Foden	1	0	0	0		0	0	
S	Gunter	1	1	49	1	49 *	8	0	
G	Hilton	1	1	17	0	17	3	0	17.00
M	Hoban	4	4	158	0	66	21	4	39.50
S	Hopton	0	0	0	0		0	0	
S	Horsford	3	2	105	1	70	13	2	105.00
M	Jerath	1	0	0	0		0	0	
S	Jerath	1	1	8	0	8	1	0	8.00
M	Lilley	8	8	64	3	28	4	2	12.80
A	Marshall	7	5	73	0	25	4	3	14.60
P	Marshall	3	3	83	0	42	7	1	27.67
G	Morgan	13	12	66	2	26	3	1	6.60
S	Nash	1	1	10	0	10	0	0	10.00
A	Parkes	3	3	17	0	14	1	1	5.67
M	Priestley	1	1	9	0	9	0	1	9.00
J	Rahim	1	1	10	0	10	0	0	10.00
T	Robinson	2	2	14	0	10	1	0	7.00
S	Rigby	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
M	Shipley	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1.00
C	Truesdale	1	0	0	0		0	0	
R	Truesdale	1	1	0	0		0	0	0.00
R	Vaughan	1	1	20	0	20	3	0	20.00
R	Vij	1	1	13	0	13	1	1	13.00
C	Walley	5	3	8	1	4	0	0	4
G	Walley	7	4	25	0	13	3	0	6.25
J	Wheeldon	1	1	2	0	2	0	0	2
B	Whitworth	12	11	56	1	11	6	0	5.6
N	Whitworth	2	2	2	0	2	0	0	1

Team TSCC		Bowling								
		Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	B.B	Ave	S. Rate	E.Rate	
A	Barnes	0	0							
A	Clarke	46	0	209	9	5 - 16	23.22	30.67	4.54	
M	Clarke	20	0	76	9	4 - 11	8.44	13.33	3.80	
D	Clarkson	0	0	0	0					
K	Clarkson	6	1	19	2	2 - 19	9.50	18.50	3.17	
J	Cocker	1	0	2	1	1 - 2	2.00	6.00	2.00	
C	Cooper	3	0	10	0	0 - 10			3.33	
L	Cooper	37	0	145	7	3 - 8	20.71	31.71	3.92	
R	Corrie	0	0	0	0					
A	Cross	18	0	94	6	5-15	15.67	18.00	5.22	
J	Dean	0	0	0	0					
P	Fellows	39	0	146	7	2 - 19	20.86	33.43	3.74	
N	Fellows	41	0	210	6	3 - 25	35.00	41.00	5.12	
S	Fellows	6	8	38	3	3 - 9	12.67	14.67	6.33	
S	Foden	0	0	0	0					
S	Gunter	3	0	25	0	0 - 25			8.33	
G	Hilton	0	0							
M	Hoban	2	0	7	1	1 - 7	7.00	12.00	3.50	
S	Hopton	0	0							
S	Horsford	8	0	41	1	1 - 15	41.00	48.00	5.13	
M	Jerath	4	0	48	0	0 - 48			12.00	
S	Jerath	0	0							
M	Lilley	21	0	85	1	1 - 13	85.00	126.00	4.05	
A	Marshall	25	0	139	4	1 - 6	34.75	37.50	5.56	
P	Marshall	9	2	64	1	1 - 40	64.00	56.00	7.11	
G	Morgan	50	0	218	11	3 - 21	19.82	27.27	4.36	
S	Nash	2	0	11	0	0 - 11			5.50	
A	Parkes	3	0	24	1	1-24	24.00	18.00	8.00	
M	Priestley	6	0	18	3	3 - 18	6.00	12.00	3.00	
J	Rahim	7	0	34	1	1 - 34	34.00	42.00	4.86	
T	Robinson	0	0							
S	Rigby	0	0							
M	Shiple	3	0	11	0	0 - 11			3.67	
C	Truesdale	6	0	27	1	1 - 27	27.00	36.00	4.50	
R	Truesdale	3	0	33	1	1 - 33	33.00	18.00	11.00	
R	Vaughan	6	0	32	1	1 - 32	32.00	36.00	5.33	
R	Vij	7	0	22	1	1 - 22	22.00	42.00	3.14	
C	Walley	0	0							
G	Walley	0	0							
J	Wheeldon	5	0	18	0	0 - 18			3.6	
B	Whitworth	0	5	8	0	0 - 8				
N	Whitworth	3	0	30	1	1 - 30	30.00	18.00	10.00	

Team TSCC			
		Catches	Stumpings
A	Barnes	0	0
A	Clarke	0	0
M	Clarke	0	0
D	Clarkson	0	0
K	Clarkson	0	0
J	Cocker	0	0
C	Cooper	0	0
L	Cooper	4	0
R	Corrie	0	0
A	Cross	7	0
J	Dean	0	0
P	Fellows	2	0
N	Fellows	6	0
S	Fellows	1	0
S	Foden	1	0
S	Gunter	0	0
G	Hilton	0	0
M	Hoban	1	1
S	Hopton	0	0
S	Horsford	0	0
M	Jerath	0	0
S	Jerath	0	0
M	Lilley	2	0
A	Marshall	2	0
P	Marshall	2	0
G	Morgan	2	0
S	Nash	1	0
A	Parkes	1	0
M	Priestley	0	0
J	Rahim	0	0
T	Robinson	0	0
S	Rigby	0	0
M	Shiple	0	0
C	Truesdale	0	0
R	Truesdale	0	0
R	Vaughan	0	0
R	Vij	0	0
C	Walley	0	0
G	Walley	1	0
J	Wheeldon	0	0
B	Whitworth	0	0
N	Whitworth	1	0

Team CERN	Batting							
	Played	Innings	Runs	Not Out	Highest	4's	6's	Average
D Allen	1	1	4	1	4	1	0	
P Badan	3	3	3	1	1	0	0	1.50
M Barrett	1	0	0	0		0	0	
R Campbell	3	3	92	2	42 *	10	0	92.00
A Chatoo	1	1	3	0	3	0	0	3.00
M Clarke	1	0	0	0		0	0	
J Cocker	0	0	0	0		0	0	
P Crook	1	0	0	0		0	0	
P Cruickshank	7	6	29	1	14	1	0	5.80
J Cruickshank	3	3	6	0	3	0	0	2.00
T Cruickshank	2	2	1	1	1 *	0	0	1.00
M Cull	1	1	43	0	43	4	3	43.00
C Easby	2	2	8	0	0	0	0	4.00
M Elliot	3	3	75	2	63 *	3	8	75.00
T Elvin	4	2	1	1	1	0	0	1.00
A Farricker	1	0	0	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
R Fielder	3	3	44	2	23*	3	0	
J Gall	4	4	136	0	51	14	2	34.00
K Goodyear	9	5	59	2	31 *	6	0	19.67
T Goodyear	9	5	6	1	5	1	0	1.50
A Hale	1	1	83	1	83*	4	6	
J Mason	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	
S McIlwraith	1	1	9	0	0	1	0	
W McNaught	1	0	0	0		0	0	
C Onions	13	12	147	2	50 *	12	4	14.70
J Osborne	13	11	455	4	107 *	40	12	65.00
R Osborne	7	4	21	1	12	2	0	7.00
L Osborne	8	7	36	0	21	6	0	5.14
B Paterson	1	1	18	0	18	1	0	18.00
B Percival	1	1	23	0	23	2	1	23.00
J Price	1	1	20	0	20	2	0	20.00
A Rao	1	1	5	1		0	0	
P Rocksby	1	1	1	0	20	0	0	1.00
W Salter	0	0	0	0		0	0	
R Saunders	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1.00
E Schyns	1	0	0	0		0	0	
E Sharp	0	0	0	0		0	0	
J Sharp	0	0	0	0		0	0	
S Skilton	1	1	16	0	16	3	0	16.00
M Smith	1	0	0	0		0	0	
X Stucki	1	1	18	0	18	4	0	18.00
J Syrat	7	5	27	0	19	3	0	5.40
N Vevers	0	0	0	0		0	0	
J Wall	7	5	136	0	67	14	6	27.2
P Wall	3	3	14	1	12	1	0	7
R Ward	1	0	0	0		0	0	
A Waugh	1	1	6	0	6	0	0	6
A Webber	1	1	0	0		0	0	
P Wilson	1	0	0	0		0	0	



Team CERN		Bowling								
		Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	B.B	Ave	S. Rate	E. Rate	
D	Allen	6	0	0	22	1	1 - 22	22.00	36.00	3.67
P	Badan	12	0	0	44	2	2-18			3.67
M	Barrett	5	0	1	40	3	3 - 40	13.33	10.00	8.00
R	Campbell	8	0	4	19	6	2 - 0	3.17	8.00	2.38
A	Chatoo	0	0	0	0	0				
M	Clarke	3	0	0	28	0	0 - 28			9.33
J	Cocker	0	0	0	0	0				
P	Crook	4	0	0	10	1	1 - 10	10.00	24.00	2.50
P	Cruickshank	11	0	0	50	7	3 - 13	7.14	9.43	4.55
J	Cruickshank	0	0							
T	Cruickshank	0	0	0	0	0				
M	Cull	5	0	2	4	0	0 - 4			
C	Easby	0	0							
M	Elliot	0	0							
T	Elvin	13	0	0	80	4	2 - 17 (2)	20.00	19.50	6.15
A	Farricker	1	0	0	1	1	1 - 1	1.00	6.00	1.00
R	Fielder	0	0	0	0	0				
J	Gall	16	0	2	49	3	1 - 4	16.33	32.00	3.06
K	Goodyear	33	1	2	108	12	3 - 11	9.00	16.58	3.27
T	Goodyear	46	3	6	209	16	5 - 3	13.06	17.44	4.54
A	Hale	0	0							
J	Mason	2	0	0	14	1	1 - 14	14.00	12.00	7.00
S	McIlwraith	2	0	0	8	0	0-8	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	4.00
W	McNaught	0	0							
C	Onions	61	1	1	261	17	4 - 18	15.35	21.59	4.28
J	Osborne	20	0	3	91	7	2 - 2	13.00	17.14	4.55
R	Osborne	6	0	1	13	2	2 - 13	6.50	18.00	2.17
L	Osborne	51	0	5	137	14	3 - 11	9.79	21.86	2.69
B	Paterson	3	0	0	6	0	0 - 6			2.00
B	Percival	6	0	0	21	1	1 - 21	21.00	36.00	3.50
J	Price	0	0	0	0	0				
A	Rao	4	0	0	27	1		27.00	24.00	6.75
P	Rocksby	0	0							
W	Salter	0	0							
R	Saunders	2	0	0	22	1	1 - 22	22.00	12.00	11.00
E	Schyns	3	0	0	3	0	0 - 3			1.00
E	Sharp	0	0							
J	Sharp	0	0							
S	Skilton	0	0							
M	Smith	5	3	1	13	0	0 - 13			2.60
X	Stucki	2	0	0	26	0	0 - 25			13.00
J	Syrat	6	0	0	30	3	3-19	10.00	12.00	5.00
N	Vevers	0	0	0	0	0				
J	Wall	31	0	4	123	2	1 - 9	61.5	93	3.97
P	Wall	6	0	0	17	1	1 - 17	17	36	2.83
R	Ward	4	2	0	7	0	0 - 7			1.75
A	Waugh	4	0	0	18	1	1 - 18	18	24	4.5
A	Webber	0	0							
P	Wilson	2	0	0	8	0	0 - 8			4

Team CERN			
		Catches	Stumpings
D	Allen	1	0
P	Badan	2	0
M	Barrett	0	0
R	Campbell	3	0
A	Chatoo	0	0
M	Clarke	1	0
J	Cocker	0	0
P	Crook	0	0
P	Cruickshank	2	0
J	Cruickshank	0	0
T	Cruickshank	0	0
M	Cull	1	0
C	Easby	1	1
M	Elliot	2	0
T	Elvin	1	0
A	Farricker	0	0
R	Fielder	1	0
J	Gall	8	0
K	Goodyear	6	0
T	Goodyear	0	0
A	Hale	0	0
J	Mason	1	0
S	McIlwraith	1	0
W	McNaught	0	0
C	Onions	1	0
J	Osborne	6	0
R	Osborne	0	0
L	Osborne	3	0
B	Paterson	0	0
B	Percival	0	0
J	Price	2	0
A	Rao	0	0
P	Rocksby	0	0
W	Salter	0	0
R	Saunders	0	0
E	Schyns	0	0
E	Sharp	0	0
J	Sharp	0	0
S	Skilton	0	0
M	Smith	0	0
X	Stucki	1	0
J	Syrat	1	0
N	Vevers	0	0
J	Wall	3	0
P	Wall	1	0
R	Ward	0	0
A	Waugh	0	0
A	Webber	0	0
P	Wilson	0	0

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July 2018

*Minor amendment to page 9 and page 12.*

*Page 75 amended to include 2018 tour details etc.*

*Pages 68 – 74, 2018 tour summary, match reports and photos added.*

*Pages 76 – 87 - Averages amended to include 2018 stats.*

*CERN's R. Fielder Sunday highest score amended to 23 not out*

*Last Page photo changed to 18<sup>th</sup> green at Bellingham Golf Club*

October 2018

*Cern corrected to CERN*

*References to CERN's web site corrected to <http://cern.ch/cricket/>*

September 2019

*2019 Tour details added – Cern Match Report, and all the averages  
Various references to Brian Whitworth etc.*

November 2021

*2021 Tour details added – the statistics from 2021 have not been included in the overall averages  
because CERN C.C. did not tour, therefore I haven't counted the two matches as 'first class'.*

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*Amended titles. 2022 Tour details started.*

*October 2022 – weekend report written, The summary of results in the closing words has been  
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18<sup>th</sup> Green Bellingham – Finally got the better of Glyn who has hung up his golf clubs