

# Rushworth makes impression

By Chris West

THE weather wrecked the entire Dukes ECB North-East Regional Premier League programme, but not before Chris Rushworth made a big impression on his reappearance for Sunderland.

He has recently been sidelined by injury and also signed a contract with Durham County. But Rushworth made an immediate impact, despite a four game absence, by taking four Chester-le-Street wickets when the game was abandoned.

He removed four of the top run makers for the Cestrians and with a fifth back in the pavilion there were signs of a shock result. Chester were 67-5, with Rushworth grabbing his wickets for 24 runs when rain fell.

John Harbottle, 17, emerged as a rising star with South Northumberland, before their game with Newcastle was called off. He hit 70, including a six and nine fours, and shared in a second wicket stand with Adam Heather who made 83, which included 11 boundaries. This propelled the Bulls to a score of 210-3 in 45 overs.

Newcastle made an encouraging reply in the 29 overs available, with openers Nick Tomlinson on 62 not out and Niall Penfold, unbeaten on 32, taking the score to 103 without loss and defying all six bowlers used in an effort to dislodge them.

Durham Academy enjoyed a batting revival against Gateshead Fell before the match was abandoned, with Ben Raine undefeated on 60



**OFF THE LEGS:** Dan Conway batting for Bishop Auckland against Northallerton yesterday. Picture: ANDY LAMB

and Ben Stokes adding 40 out of 128-2.

Norton had their derby with Stockton (114-5) ended abruptly with Malintha Gajanayake on 66. Harry Linton (2-9) and Ben Duncan (2-26) struck for Norton.

South Shields, who hosted Blaydon, and Benwell Hill, who were home to Tynemouth.

Benwell had 139-5 on the scoreboard with an opening stand worth 92 between Phil Nicholson and Ali Maiden, who each scored 37, before both fell to South African, Terence Davis-Taylor (3-59).

Scott Borthwick, Blaydon's Durham player, took the other two wickets to fall in a mini collapse.

South Shields were on 136-8, with Oli Stedman making a defiant 46 against the bowling of Graeme Bridge (3-14) and Craig Knox (3-40).

Shildon won the bragging rights over main rivals for the Readers Durham County League title, Kimblesworth.

The Railwaymen were 36 runs short of victory with nine overs remaining, when the match was abandoned.

Shildon's trio of bowlers, Shaun Bradbury (3-43), Phil

Timmens (2-17) and Phil Garbutt (2-23), tore through the Kimblesworth batting after openers Stephen Meek (38) and Paul Craig (25) had given them some solid foundations.

Only Kevin Dixon (25) responded and they out for 135. Sahil Kukreja, Shildon's Indian professional, hit a superb half century but, just as the in-form Chris Peareth took a hold, the rain came.

Willington won by eight wickets against Tudhoe, and Hylton, by 50 runs against Brandon. Willington bowled out their visitors for just 67

runs with New Zealander pro, Sam Wells (7-26) causing havoc in a 12 over spell which included a hat-trick. Gary Cummings (3-19 and 41 not out) also played his part.

Hylton won the battle of the bottom clubs with Jacky Cowell (42) top scoring for them and John Stokoe (4-31) and Chris Allan (4-33) the ideal bowling duo. Hylton posted 165 but Brandon were back in the hutch for just 115.

In the 3D Durham Coast League Mark Cowell hit 92 not out when sharing an attractive partnership with David Tarn (73) for Easington (218-4) at Boldon CA (126-3). Jason Jones made 64 for Boldon.

Castle Eden's Tom Raine (78 not out) and Davey Hanson (60 not out) kept the leaders on top against Dawdon, before it was abandoned.

In the Warmseal Durham Senior League Hetton Lyons, grabbed more points than most in a drawn finish with Seaham Harbour. The Lyons posted 175-6, with Paul Riddle unbeaten on 89, but Seaham's last batsmen dug in on 116-9 despite four wickets for Hetton's Sura Malinga and Mike Walker.

Shotley Bridge (140-3) managed to beat Morpeth (136-7) in the Wellstream Northumberland and Tyne-side Senior League. Half centuries by Phil Brown and Phil Carlin rushed the Bridge to their seven-wicket win.

Sacriston were the only other winners, beating Tynedale (101 all out) by eight wickets after top performances from Melvyn Betts (4-25), Martin Hubber (4-16) and Phil Shield (50 not out).

## DUKES ECB NORTH-EAST REGIONAL PREMIER LEAGUE

### South Northumberland v Newcastle

**SOUTH NORTHUMBERLAND**

J Graham c J Carr b R Lake	15
A Heather b N Harrison	83
J Harbottle lbw Penfold	70
C Hewison not out	6
Extras	36
Total (3 wkts)	210
Bowling: M Cryer 0-49, R Lake 1-53, N Penfold 1-39, N Harrison 1-39	

### NEWCASTLE

N Penfold not out	32
N Tomlinson not out	62
Extras	9
Total (0 wickets)	10
Bowling: S Humble 0-23, C Smith 0-14, R Brook 0-25, C Campbell 0-19, B Ford 0-1, J Graham 0-17	

### Match drawn South North 11 pts. Newcastle 6 pts.

### Benwell Hill v Tynemouth

**BENWELL HILL**

P Nicholson c Hollins b Davis-Taylor	37
A Maiden lbw b Davis-Taylor	37
J Thompson b Borthwick	5
M Dale b Davis-Taylor	0
Z Khan c Young b Borthwick	0
D Rutherford not out	17
J Chambers not out	25
Extras	18
Total (5 wkts)	139
Bowling: T Davis-Taylor 3-59, A Smith 0-22, D Hymers 0-17, J Coates 0-4, S Borthwick 2-16	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Benwell Hill 6pts. Tynemouth 7pts

### Stockton v Norton

**STOCKTON**

J Rickard c M Thomas b N Thomas	22
K Turner c Gresham b Duncan	5
J Watson c Williams b Duncan	0
M Gajanayake not out	66
C Hooker c Williams b Linton	5
K Ward b Linton	1
J Ward not out	10
Extras	15
Total (5 wkts)	114
Bowling: J Kean 0-39, B Duncan 2-26, N Thomas 1-25, H Linton 2-9	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Stockton 5pts. Norton 7pts.

### Sunderland v Chester le Street

**CHESTER LE STREET**

S Birtwistle c Shahzad b Rushworth	0
A Mustard b Rushworth	9
A Smith lbw Rushworth	18
R Waite c Shah b Rushworth	8
Q Hughes c Youldon b Kumar	2
A Birbeck not out	5
L Simpson not out	4
Extras	21
Total (5 wkts)	67
Bowling: C Rushworth 4-24, P Kumar 1-33, R Shahzad 0-1	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Sunderland 7pts. Chester le Street 5pts.

### Durham Academy v Gateshead Fell

**DURHAM ACADEMY**

B Raine not out	60
R Singh b Etherington	9
B Stokes c Dicks b Etherington	44
L Coates not out	6
Extras	9
Total (2 wkts)	128
Bowling: J Etherington 2-38, P Towner 0-15, W Gidman 0-16, G Alwis 0-29, R Smith 0-25	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Durham Academy 6pts. Gateshead Fell 6pts.

### South Shields v Blaydon

**SOUTH SHIELDS**

D Shurben c Gale b Knox	4
P Muchall c Worthing b Pollard	10
A Coyte c Knox b Stewart	15
O Stedman c Freary b Knox	46
P Bell lbw Bridge	10
C Dorothy c Howells b Bridge	0
M Dunn b Bridge	1
C Rainbow not out	11
M Muchall c Stewart b Knox	11
N Quinn not out	0
Extras	28
Total (8 wkts)	136
Bowling: M Pollard 1-27, C Knox 3-40, G Stewart 1-9, J Malkin 0-22, G Bridge 3-14	

### Match Drawn

### Blaydon 9pts. South Shields 6pts

	P	W	D	T	L	PTS
South North	9	7	2	0	0	220
Chester-le-Street	9	5	4	0	0	198
South Shields	9	5	3	0	1	160
Blaydon	9	4	4	0	1	145
Sunderland	9	3	3	0	3	127
Gateshead Fell	9	2	6	0	1	111
Benwell Hill	9	2	5	0	2	109
Newcastle	9	1	4	0	4	84
Tynemouth	9	1	3	0	5	69
Norton	9	1	3	0	5	68
Durham CA	9	1	4	0	4	66
Stockton	9	0	3	0	6	53

### Dukes ECB North East Regional Premier League Division Two:

Norton 100-6 (A Baird 3-33) v Stockton.	
Benwell Hill 105-4 (M Shafique 37, J Turnbull 30, P Morse 3-39) v Tynemouth.	
South North 146-4 (M Harbottle 34, H Sidney-Wilmot 65) v Newcastle.	
Chester le Street 152-2 (W Ritzema 77no, J Coxon 32) v Sunderland.	
South Shields 42-4 v Blaydon	

### Warmseal Durham Senior Second Teams League:

Philadelphia 145 (P Burn 75no, A Brown 4-46), Boldon 146-5 (A McCord 54).	
South Hetton 253-7 (D Stewart 58, L Houghton 37, A Hillas 62, L Robson 67), Burnmoor 134-4 (M Scott 71).	
Whitburn 225-6 (E Markham 79) v Marsden - match abandoned.	

## 3-D SPORTS DURHAM COAST LEAGUE

### Washington v Ryhope

**RYHOPE**

A J Purewal b Teesdale	10
B Hall c J Thompson b D Ebdale	0
P Howe c S Cuthbertson b B Teesdale	22
M Thorpe c M Thompson b D Ebdale	4
L Gilbert not out	6
C Lawrence not out	0
Extras	13
Total (4 wkts)	56
Bowling: B Teesdale 2-34, D Ebdale 2-11	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Washington 6 pts. Ryhope 5 pts

### Dawdon v Castle Eden

**CASTLE EDEN**

D Hanson not out	60
C Stephenson b Hamill	7
T Raine not out	0
Extras	16
Total (1 wkt)	154
Bowling: M Hewitt 0-3, D Coates 0-35, S Akhtar 0-46, K Hamill 1-41, S McKenna 0-16	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Castle Eden 7 pts. Dawdon 5 pts

### Silksworth v Murton

**SILKSWORD**

M Nicholson c Cassap b Chapman	0
P Smalles not out	11
S Jones not out	0
Extras	0
Total (1 wkt)	11
Bowling: K Chapman 1-10, G Martin 0-1	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Silksworth 5pts. Murton 5pts

### Boldon CA v Easington

**EASINGTON**

J Moses c Jones b Bellerby	13
D Tarn c Bellerby Purvis	73
M Cowell not out	92
G Ward lbw Lincoln	5
D Wilson c Frater b Lincoln	0
J Sample not out	25
Extras	10
Total (4 wkts)	218
Bowling: K Bellerby 1-51, I Bellerby 0-36, C Purvis 1-59, G Lincoln 2-62	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Boldon CA 15

G Frater c Tarn b Rickaby	15
J Jones c Cowell b Wilson	64

### Match drawn

### Boldon CA 7pts. Easington 10pts

### Seaham Park v Bill Quay

**BILL QUAY**

J Tudor lbw Varley	7
W Gardner c Varley b A Watson	12
C Little run out	17
D Pearson c M Watson b A Watson	20
M Dench b Varley	24
P Bentham b A Watson	11
M Cuskeran b Varley	15
K South c Andrews b Evans	19
D Brown not out	15
J Dodd not out	2
Extras	9
Total (8 wkts)	151
Bowling: C Varley 3-60, A Watson 3-34, M	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Seaham Park 8pts. Bill Quay 8pts

	P	W	D	T	L	PTS
Castle Eden	9	6	3	0	0	146
Bill Quay	9	5	2	0	2	131
Washington	9	5	3	0	1	126
Easington	9	4	3	0	2	115
Ryhope	9	3	5	0	1	112
Boldon CA	9	3	2	0	4	97
Murton	9	2	4	0	3	83
Pterlee	9	2	4	0	3	82
Dawdon	9	1	5	0	3	69
Seaham Park	9	1	2	0	6	46
Silksworth	10	0	3	0	7	43

## WARMSEAL DURHAM SENIOR LEAGUE

### Marsden v Whitburn

**MARSDEN**

M Sekhoto c Fowler b Johnson	15
C Mann c Turns b Cullen	38
C Adams c Marshall b Johnson	6
C Elliott not out	2
J Sneller not out	15
Extras	2
Total (3 wkts)	58
Bowling: N Johnson 2-43, L Cullen 1-33, P Marshall 0-0	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Marsden 5pts. Whitburn 6pts

### Durham City v Felling

**FELLING**

C Goudie lbw M Woodhead	15
D Wales lbw C Myers	11
C Moffitt not out	9
P Taylor lbw C Myers	4
C Taylor not out	7
Extras	1
Total (3 wkts)	47
Bowling: M Woodhead 1-17, A Mshanetsky 0-13, C Myers 2-17	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Felling 5 pts. Durham City 6 pts

### Seaham Harbour v Hetton Lyons

**HETTON LYONS**

P Riddle not out	89
M Walker c Gustard b Watson	14
S Malinga c Sennett b Watson	11
S Birbeck c Hambleton b Lacey	17
D Lowther c Weston b Scurr	18
A Lormor b Lacey	19
L Mallaburn c Gill b Scurr	1
J Clay not out	0
Extras	5
Total (6 wkts)	175
Bowling: A Watson 2-22, N Gustard 0-46, P Hambleton 0-27, C Scurr 2-46, S Lacey 2-29	

### Match abandoned, rain

### Seaham Harbour 8 pts

### Burnmoor v South Hetton

**BURNMOOR**

A J Linsley not out	38
M Robson not out	30
Extras	0
Total (0 wkts)	68
Bowling: J Pendlington 0-23, D Wilkinson 0-22, D Conway 0-13	

### Match drawn

### Seaham Harbour 8 pts

### Burnmoor 12 pts. South Hetton 8 pts

**BOLDON**

J Laws c Clay b Waterson	13
S Weston b Malinga	5
M Gill b Malinga	0
A Young c Birbeck b Walker	5
C Scurr c Birbeck b Walker	22
A Watson c Clay b Walker	2

### Match abandoned, rain

### Philadelphia 5 pts. Boldon 5 pts

### Eppleton v Horden

**EPPLETON**

C Ellison not out	0
J Coyne c Anderson b Robinson	8
G Houmark not out	0
Extras	1
Total (1 wkt)	9
Bowling: S Robinson 1-8, S Errington 0-1	

### Match abandoned, no play, rain

Philadelphia 10 4 6 0 0 160	
Whitburn 10 5 5 0 0 155	
Hetton Lyons 10 4 5 0 1 147	
Eppleton 10 3 5 0 2 133	
Burnmoor 10 2 8 0 0 117	
South Hetton 10 2 6 0 2 109	
Durham City 10 1 6 0 3 92	
Philadelphia 10 2 5 0 3 88	
Felling 10 1 7 0 2 87	
Horden 10 0 8 0 2 79	
Marsden 10 0 7 0 3 67	
Seaham Harbour 10 0 4 0 6 52	