

# Cestrians new league leaders

**CHESTER-LE-STREET** are the new leaders of the Dukes NEPL after toppling champions South Northumberland, inflicting the first defeat on them for 14 months.

Having whittled down the points difference between the teams over the last few weeks, the Cestrians grasped the big chance to jump ahead of them with a three-wicket victory which gave them an 11 points advantage as the new table toppers.

South North were bowled out for 101, with Luke Evans (6-13) in form. Only Adam Cragg, who top scored with 26, looked comfortable. He came to the wicket with his four team-mates managing just 17 runs between them.

Chester, in reply, started well enough with Alan Mustard (37) doing a great job as opener but they lost wickets to Craig Smith (4-38) and Lee Crozier (2-16) before Liam Simpson (20 not out) saw them home for what could yet prove to be an historic victory.

Sunderland were beaten for the third time in six games by Gateshead Fell by 74 runs. Only Greg Applegarth (44) performed at

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his best as Sunderland (114 all out) showed little appetite for the bowling of Will Gidman (6-29). Gidman (63) also starred when Fell posted 188 despite five wickets for Paul Hindmarch.

Norton lost their way again after a couple of good results when they went down to Durham Academy who are now heading for mid-table after reaching 253-8 against the Teessiders with half centuries for Greg Pringle and Graham Clark. Norton (43 all out) collapsed against Mark Wood (5-13) and Ross Kirtley (3-3).

Stockton continue to be marooned at the bottom after their eighth defeat in 11 games, and this despite an excellent batting display against Benwell Hill. They scored 243-5 with 83 from Jon Rickard and 59 from Chris Parr in an inspired opening partnership. But with Stockton in the driving seat, with Hill on 136 for 7, two late stands, including a club record ninth wicket

partnership of 64, drained the life out of the home club. Graeme Race was the inspiration behind the two wicket success making an undefeated 70 batting at number nine.

South Shields defeated struggling Newcastle in another high scoring match. Just about everyone contributed but Chris Dorothy (45) was the best. Newcastle were bowled out for 163 by Kris McShane (6-23) and Paul Muchall (3-69) for Shields to win by 84 runs.

Blaydon's Durham County star, Mark Stoneman, helped himself to another century in the defeat of Tynemouth. But Allan Worthy's 74 runs, in a fine opening partnership of 193, were even more memorable as they included his 6,000th league run in a remarkable career. He became the first NEPL player to reach the milestone.

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<b>Sunderland v Gateshead</b>						
<b>Fell</b>						
<b>Gateshead Fell</b>						
W Gidman c M Nunn b Hindmarch	63					
P Towner lbw P Hindmarch	3					
R Smith c C Youldon b P Hindmarch	3					
G Alwis c S Walker b J Singh	24					
J Foster c C Youldon b P Hindmarch	19					
M Javed lbw J Singh	22					
R Steele c C Youldon b S Walker	0					
M Smith lbw J Singh	30					
S Devenport run out	12					
M Dicks not out	5					
J Etherington c M Nunn b P Hindmarch	0					
Extras	7					
<b>Total (all out)</b>	<b>188</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> P Hindmarch 5-43, P Kumar 0-46, J Singh 3-43, A Thorpe 0-17, S Walker 1-36						
<b>Sunderland</b>						
M Nunn lbw P Towner	6					
G Applegarth c S Devenport b W Gidman	44					
S Walker b M Smith	6					
M Robson lbw G Alwis	24					
C Youldon c S Devenport b W Gidman	0					
P Hindmarch c W Gidman b G Alwis	9					
A Thorpe c Devenport b W Gidman	11					
P Kumar c M Javid b W Gidman	9					
D Tansley b W Gidman	0					
J Singh c R Steele b W Gidman	0					
D Woolston not out	3					
Extras	2					
<b>Total (all out)</b>	<b>114</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> J Etherington 0-18, P Towner 1-20, W Gidman 6-29, M Smith 1-10, G Alwis 2-30, M Dicks 0-6						
<b>Gateshead Fell won by 74 runs</b>						
<b>Sunderland 5 pts. Gateshead Fell 23 pts</b>						
<b>Stockton v Benwell Hill</b>						
<b>Stockton</b>						
J Rickard b Rutherford	83					
K Turner lbw Race	0					
C Parr b Cant	59					
M Gajanyake c Maiden b Rutherford	23					
C Hooker not out	23					
J Watson not out	21					
Extras	27					
<b>Total (5 wkts)</b>	<b>243</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> D Rutherford 2-53, G Race 1-36, Z Khan 1-55, P Jones 0-15, T Cant 1-51, J Chambers 0-10						
<b>Benwell Hill</b>						
P Nicholson c Rickard b Parr	2					
A Maiden c Thomas b Hooker	1					
R Coughtrie c Watson b Hooker	15					
M Dale c Thomas b Rickard	41					
Z Khan lbw Gajanyake	48					
D Rutherford c Gajanyake b Turner	15					
J Chambers c J Ward b Rickard	1					
G Robertson run out	19					
G Race not out	70					
T Cant not out	17					
Extras	18					
<b>Total (8 wkts)</b>	<b>247</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> C Hooker 2-44, A Parr 1-30, J Rickard 2-56, K Turner 1-48, M Gajanyake 1-58						
<b>Benwell Hill won by 2 wickets</b>						
<b>Stockton 8 pts. Benwell Hill 26 pts</b>						
<b>South Shields v Newcastle</b>						
<b>South Shields</b>						
D Shurben run out	14					
P Muchall c J Shaw b R Evans	30					
O Stedman b M Cryer	37					
M Fishwick lbw G Saxton	10					
C Dorothy c Shaw b R Evans	45					
M Dunn b R Evans	36					
C Rainbow st J Shaw b N Penfold	33					
C Watson c R Evans b G Saxton	17					
K McShane st J Shaw b N Penfold	2					
N Watson not out	3					
Extras	20					
<b>Total (9 wkts)</b>	<b>247</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> G Saxton 2-60, M Cryer 1-52, R Evans 3-49, N Penfold 2-50, C Mason 0-26						
<b>Newcastle</b>						
N Penfold c P Muchall b K McShane	3					
N Tomlinson c K McShane b P Muchall	80					
J Carr c D Shurben b K McShane	0					
J Davidson b K McShane	0					
R Evans c M Dunn b K McShane	12					
J Shaw b P Muchall	15					
A Robson b C Watson	7					
N Harrison lbw P Muchall	6					
C Mason c C Dorothy b K McShane	1					
M Cryer not out	4					
G Saxton lbw K McShane	6					
Extras	29					
<b>Total (all out)</b>	<b>163</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> P Muchall 3-69, K McShane 6-23, R Hale 0-13, C Dorothy 0-32, C Watson 1-7						
<b>South Shields won by 84 runs</b>						
<b>South Shields 30 pts. Newcastle 6 pts</b>						
<b>Blaydon v Tynemouth</b>						
<b>Blaydon</b>						
M Stoneman c A Smith b T Davis-Taylor	110					
A Worthy c A Turner b C Beever	74					
MT Drake c J Coates b T Davis-Taylor	4					
C Knox not out	24					
GD Bridge b T Davis-Taylor	0					
PW Howells b T Davis-Taylor	1					
S Gale b T Davis-Taylor	11					
GF Stewart not out	5					
Extras	21					
<b>Total (6 wkts dec)</b>	<b>250</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> T Davis-Taylor 5-65, A Smith 0-41, J Coates 0-52, P Morse 0-23, C Beever 1-46, D Young 0-8						
<b>Tynemouth</b>						
M Brown lbw ML Pollard	16					
A Smith c S Gale b C Knox	2					
D Young run out	5					
B Debnam c PW Howells b GA Stewart	6					
A Turner c S Gale b ML Pollard	5					
A Lineham run out	3					
C Beever c M Stoneman b J Malkin	7					
P Morse c A Worthy b GD Bridge	4					
G Hollins lbw GD Bridge	1					
J Coates not out	8					
T Davis-Taylor c PW Howells b J Malkin	31					
Extras	20					
<b>Total (all out)</b>	<b>108</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> C Knox 1-18, ML Pollard 2-6, GA Stewart 1-25, GD Bridge 2-15, J Malkin 2-23, A Worthy 0-5						
<b>Blaydon won by 142 runs</b>						
<b>Blaydon 30pts. Tynemouth 3pts</b>						
<b>South Northumberland v Chester-le-Street</b>						
<b>South Northumberland</b>						
J Graham c Smith b Evans	0					
A Heather b Evans	7					
J Harbottle lbw Simpson	0					
C Hewison c Simpson b Evans	10					
A Cragg b Evans	26					
B Ford c Waite b Evans	6					
S Humble lbw Tye	10					
M Nelson not out	27					
A Ebdale not out	16					
Extras	22					
<b>Total (5 wkts)</b>	<b>214</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> K Bellerby 1-45, I Bellerby 2-34, B Conlon 1-41, C Purvis 0-33, G Lincoln 0-25, D Tate 1-25						
<b>Boldon CA</b>						
G Frater c Cuthbertson b Teesdale	8					
D Tate lbw D Ebdale	7					
J Jones not out	15					
K Bellerby not out	8					
Extras	14					
<b>Total (2 wkts)</b>	<b>52</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> W Teesdale 1-20, D Ebdale 1-15, S King 0-4						
<b>Match abandoned due to rain</b>						
<b>Washington 9pts. Boldon CA 7pts</b>						
<b>Dawdon v Bill Quay</b>						
<b>Dawdon</b>						
C Price b J Dodd	25					
M Ewart c and b J Dodd	2					
R Consitt c P Bentham b J Dodd	8					
S Akhtar st W Gardner b J Dodd	37					
R Stephenson not out	27					
A Gale c S Smith b D Brown	36					
C McNicholas lbw J Dodd	6					
R Martin c and b D Brown	12					
K Hamid lbw C Little	10					
D Coates c C Little b D Brown	15					
L Cowell b C Little	0					
Extras	15					
<b>Total (all out)</b>	<b>193</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> J Dodd 5-72, D Brown 3-101, C Little 2-6						
<b>Bill Quay</b>						
J Tudor lbw Ewart	12					
M Little b D Coates	15					
C Dench c and b D Coates	1					
D Pearson c Gale b D Coates	17					
S Smith not out	12					
P Bentham not out	2					
Extras	1					
<b>Total (4 wkts)</b>	<b>60</b>					
<b>Bowling:</b> M Ewart 1-35, D Coates 3-22, L Cowell 0-2						
<b>Match abandoned due to rain</b>						
<b>Dawdon 9pts. Bill Quay 9pts</b>						
	P	W	D	T	L	Pts
Castle Eden	12	8	3	0	1	192
Bill Quay	12	5	5	0	2	166
Washington	11	6	4	0	1	155
Easington	11	5	4	0	2	144
Ryhope	12	3	8	0	1	142
Boldon CA	12	4	0	4	0	136
Murton	12	2	7	0	3	107
Dawdon	12	2	7	0	3	105
Peterlee	12	2	4	0	6	84
Silksworth	12	0	5	0	7	63
Seaham Park	12	1	3	0	8	62

## 3D DURHAM COAST LEAGUE

SATURDAY	
<b>Silksworth v Easington</b>	
<b>Silksworth</b>	
M Nicholson st Race b Price	81
P Smailes b Sample	14
A Jones c Cowell b Price	20
S Lobban c Price b Rickaby	17
C Pringle st Race b Rickaby	13
A Bell b Rickaby	0
M Waterson st Race b Rickaby	13
J Crake lbw Rickaby	4
I Laverick not out	6
M Forster not out	0
Extras	21
<b>Total (8 wkts)</b>	<b>191</b>
<b>Bowling:</b> A Fox 0-19, B Fenwick 0-8, J Sample 1-34, I Rickaby 5-50, A Price 2-38, B Daniels 0-32	
<b>Easington</b>	
D Wilson lbw Pringle	0
J Sample not out	46
M Cowell c Waterson b Pringle	52
M Race lbw Hedgeley	2
P McGee c Waterson b Pringle	1
A Price lbw Pringle	0
A Fox c Lobban b Hedgeley	2
B Fenwick not out	6
Extras	32
<b>Total (6 wkts)</b>	<b>141</b>
<b>Bowling:</b> C Pringle 4-40, M Waterson 0-32, M Forster 0-39, B Hedgeley 2-18, J Crake 0-4	
<b>Match Drawn</b>	
<b>Silksworth 10 pts. Easington 9 pts</b>	
<b>Boldon CA v Ryhope</b>	
<b>Boldon CA</b>	
G Frater c AJ Purewal b White	20
J Jones c AJ Purewal b Gilbert	73
G Hewitt b AM Purewal	8
D Tate b Gilbert	6
L Jackson b AM Purewal	57
K Bellerby c Errington b AM Purewal	28
A O'Connell not out	1
Extras	18
<b>Total (6 wkts dec)</b>	<b>211</b>
<b>Bowling:</b> I White 1-55, AM Purewal 3-26, L Gilbert 2-42, S Wright 0-26, M Thorpe 0-24, J Taylor 0-23	
<b>Ryhope</b>	
A Docherty b K Bellerby	9
AJ Purewal b Purvis	19
M Thorpe lbw Lincoln	30
L Gilbert c Frater b Purvis	29
P Howe b Purvis	20
AM Purewal b Lincoln	0
B Hall c Frater b Bellerby	15
J Taylor not out	29
C Errington c Beadle b Bellerby	11
S Wright not out	10
Extras	7
<b>Total (8 wkts)</b>	<b>159</b>
<b>Bowling:</b> K Bellerby 3-64, L Jackson 0-23, G Lincoln 2-15, C Purvis 3-44, A Beadle 0-7	
<b>Match drawn</b>	

<b>Boldon CA 12pts. Ryhope 9pts</b>	
<b>Bill Quay v Murton</b>	
<b>Bill Quay</b>	
J Tudor c I King b K Chapman	15
M Dench b K Chapman	70
C Little c K Chapman b I King	14
D Pearson c I King b J Vout	24
P Gardner c R Thubron b G Robson	24
P Bentham c J Vout b K Chapman	2
N Cuskeran not out	12
D Brown b G Robson	18
M Cuskeran not out	1
Extras	21
<b>Total (7 wkts)</b>	<b>201</b>
<b>Bowling:</b> K Chapman 3-61, R Thubron 0-21, J Vout 1-42, I King 1-24, G Robson 2-38	
<b>Murton</b>	
G Arundale b N Cuskeran	72
P Coxall lbw b D Brown	1
G Martin c C Little b J Dodd	16
J Vout lbw b J Dodd	0
G Robson b J Dodd	8
A Vout b J Dodd	0
I King c W Gardner b M Cuskeran	20
A Upperton b J Dodd	18
R Thubron not out	10
J Robson b J Dodd	1
K Chapman not out	2
Extras	16
<b>Total (9 wkts)</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>Bowling:</b> J Dodd 6-47, D Brown 1-62, M Cuskeran 0-22, N Cuskeran 2-18	
<b>Match drawn</b>	
<b>Bill Quay 13 pts. Murton 10 pts</b>	
<b>Seaham Park v Castle Eden</b>	
<b>Castle Eden</b>	
D Hanson c Andrews b Watson	8
T Raine c Varley b Watson	65
J Spellman c and b Howe	42
C Stephenson c Watson b Howe	61
A Unsworth not out	29
D Langridge not out	4
Extras	1
<b>Total (4 wkts)</b>	<b>209</b>
<b>Bowling:</b> C Varley 0-28, A Watson 2-15, M Evans 0-21, R Howe 2-41, M McNicholas 0-32	
<b>Seaham Park</b>	
D Moorhead b Ede	6
M McNicholas st Spellman b Unsworth	40
A Akhtar c Ede b Bailey	1
P Andrews c Langridge b Bailey	6
M Watson c Langridge b Unsworth	6
M Evans b Unsworth	3
C Varley not out	19
J Jones lbw Stephenson	0
R Howe lbw Stephenson	0
A Watson b Ede	6
A Baxter b Ede	4
Extras	24
<b>Total (all out)</b>	<b>115</b>
<b>Bowling:</b> R Ede 3-14, T Raine 0-2, K Bailey 2-27, C Stephenson 2-2, A Unsworth 3-15	
<b>Match abandoned due to rain</b>	

<b>Seaham Park 1pt. Castle Eden 0pts</b>	
<b>Peterlee v Dawdon</b>	
<b>Dawdon</b>	
S McKenna	66
R Consitt not out	68
<b>Total (2 wkts dec)</b>	<b>201</b>
<b>Peterlee</b>	
<b>Total (all out)</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>Bowling:</b> L Cowell 3-11	
<b>Dawdon won by 136 runs</b>	
<b>Peterlee Opts. Dawdon 20pts.</b>	
<b>Murton 9pts. Seaham Park 10pts</b>	
<b>Castle Eden v Peterlee</b>	
<b>Peterlee</b>	
A Laidler b Ede	