### 1984 Played 44 Won 18 Drawn 15 Lost 11



CHESHAM BOIS C. C. SATURDAY XI 1984 Saturday 18th August v Haydon Hall

Back Row L-R

Rob Cocker, Andy Rolph, Peter Kemp, Simon Cogdell, William Slack, Mark Benson.

Front Row L-R

Bob Wood, Syd Rolph (Captain), Don Crawford, Bob Beeson.

Inset

Nigel Rogerson.

### FIXTURES 1984

DATE	OPPONENTS	TIME VEN	UE	DA'	TE	OPPONENTS	TIME VE	NU
pril 28	Farnham Common	2.30	H	April	29	Penn Street	2.30	F
May 5	Great Missenden	2.30		May	6 13	Little Missenden Misfits Hawridge (Whitbread Cup)	2.30 2.15	i /
19 26	Fulmer	2.30			13 20	Bourne End Wendover	2.30	) /
28	Chalfont Saints	2.30			27	Farnham Royal	2.30	) 1
une 2	Coleshill		A	June	3	Chalfont St. Giles	2.30	
9	Longwick		A		10	Bellingdon	2.30	
16	Haydon Hall	2.30			10	Ashridge College	2.30	
23 30	Knotty Green Coopers		A		17 24	Great Kingshill Longwick	2.30	
aly 7	Longwick	2.30	H	July	1	Chairman's XI	2.30	)
14	Farnham Royal	2.30	H		8	Chalfont St. Giles	2.30	)
21	Ley Hill	2.30	A		8	Ashridge College	2.30	0
28	Coleshill	2.30	H		15	Wendover	2.30	)
ug 4	Northchurch	2.30	Н		22	Ravers	2.30	
. 11	The Lee	2.30	A		29	Chorleywood Strollers	2.30	)
18	Haydon Hall	2.30	A	Aug	5	Bellingdon	2.30	)
25	Ley Hill		H		12	Little Missenden Misfits	2.30	0
27	Kodak	2.15	A		19	Rickmansworth R.B.L.	2.30	)
Sept 1	Poulshot	2.00	A		26	Farnham Common	2.13	5
8	Penn Street	2.00	A	Sept	2	Urchfont	2.00	0
15					2	The Lee	2.00	)
22	Kodak	1.45			9	Sarratt	2.00	0
29	Elstree	1.30	H		16	Bourne End	2.00	0
	Captain J. Plested				16	Westcott	2.00	0
	Vice-Captain S. Rol				23	T. T. Boughton	1.30	0
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Captain A. Lathwell

Vice-Captain P. Ralli 28 April Chesham Bois C.C. v Farnham Common 2<sup>nd</sup> XI at Chesham Bois Common 136 118

> (A. Lathwell 61) (R. Sawyer 4 for 43) (S. Cogdell 28) (A. Lathwell 4 for 24)

> > Chesham Bois won by 18 runs

29 April Chesham Bois C.C. v Penn Street C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common 109 for 9 159

(M. Caidan 33) (P. Ralli 20) (J. Saunders 6 for 45) Match Drawn

Saturday 28th Sunday 29th On Saturday Bois beat Farnham Common Chesham Bois played host to Penn Street. on Sunday, and only just escaped defeat. Despite 33 from M. Caidan they only manby 18 runs. Lathwell made 61 and when Farnham batted he took 4-24. Chesham Bois aged 109-9 in reply to the visitors 159 all out. 136, Lathwell 61 (Lathwell 4-24). Farnham Chesham Bois 109-9. Caidan 33 (Saunders Common 118. Bois won by 18 runs. 6-45). Penn Street 159, match drawn Bucks Examiner Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May 1984 5 May Great Missenden C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. at Nags Head Meadow, Gt. Miss. 112 for 3 111 for 8 dec. (R. Sawyer 2 for 27) (D. Crawford 37) Great Missenden won by 7 wkts. 6 May Little Missenden Misfits C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Little Missenden 175 for 7 dec. 82 for 7 (M. Caidan 4 for 4) (A. Lathwell 62) (A. Hinks 2 for 7) (J. Saunders 42) Match Drawn Little Missenden Misfits match against Chesham Bois ended in a draw. However after Bois had made 175-7. Lathwell scoring 62 and Saunders 42, Misfits crashed to 82-7. but still held out for a draw. Bucks Examiner Friday 11th May 1984 13 May Hawridge & Cholesbury C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. at Cholesbury Common 188 for 8 181 for 9 (J. Saunders 2 for 38) (N. Rogerson 57) (D. Plested 34) Whitbread Village Cup Hawridge & Cholesbury won by 7 runs Hawridge & Cholesbury Chesham Bois Whitbread Village Cup D. Plested ro .......34 M. Penn c R. Saunders b J. Saunders .... 10 S. Pittany Ibw b Nash..... HAWRIDGE AND CHOLESBURY played. A. Nash Ibw b Hinks..... host to Chesham Bois, and chalked up an exciting victory over their visitors. N. Rogerson ro ..... R. Ralli Ibw b Salethorne..... Batting first the home team went steadily, Grahm Lincoln scoring a very A. Lathwell c & b M. Brown .... J. Saunders lbw b M. Brown..... fine 85 before being bowled by Lathwelf. R. Saunders b A. Brown..... M.Brown to ..... Setting Chesham Bois a total of 188, I. Dorton b A. Brown T. Osborn no ...... 6 Hawridge gradually wore down the Bols R. Sawyer no ...... 15 A. Brown no..... batting with some accurate bowling by A. Hinks to..... Extras 15-year-old Matthew Brown. J. Plested no However, a defiant 57 from Rogerson Extras .... gave Bois a strong chance. Total 181-9 In the end an always entertaining game went to the home side by seven runs. Hawridge and Cholesbury 188-8, Lincoln 85, Chesham Bois 181-9. Bucks Examiner Friday 18th May 1984 13 May Bourne End C.C. (Wycombe) v Chesham Bois 2nd XI played at Bourne End (N. Bunce 4 for 21) (R. Beeson 17) (A. Rolph 2 for 22) (R. Cocker 11) Bourne End won by 25 runs 19 May Fulmer C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. Cancelled by Chesham Bois Chesham Bois C.C. played at Wendover 20 May Wendover C.C. 123 for 9 180 for 5 dec. (A. Lathwell 5 for 15) (P. Ralli 69) (S. Burke 2 for 23) (A. Lathwell 48) (I. Dorton 35) Match Drawn

Both Matches Cancelled/Rain

27 May Farnham Royal C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. 28 May Chalfont Saints C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C.

2 June Coleshill C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Coleshill 88 for 7 126 (R. Sawyer 4 for 18) (N. Rogerson 28) (A. Rolph 2 for 21) (J. Plested 16) Match Drawn 3 June Chesham Bois C.C. v Chalfont St. Giles C.C. at Chesham Bois Common 146 (K. Saigal 49) (S. Burke 3 for 34) (S. Pittaway 24) Chalfont St. Giles won by 19 runs Saturday Sunday Saturday 2nd June lass Bale v Calas Match draw Cleanuat St Giles was by 18 rame Chesham Bois clung on for a draw in CHESNAM BOIS CHALFORT ST GILES their match with Coleshill. Coleshill made 126, with Brown 41 and Sawyer m h Edward ... taking 4-18 off 14 overs. Smith c Wilson b Burke Franks c Pitterway b Burke Ross b Saigal March c Hinks b Ralii Bols were struggling, despite Roger-son's useful 28, but held on to finish at Alexander & Saigal & Lathwell Ottoway Ibm Burks \$250 Gall Sunday 3rd June Total (for 7 whts)
repairs 9-3-11-0, Edv
a 0 8-0-17-4, Sto
4-2-3-0, Maste 1-0 88 But Chesham Bois had less luck when they came up against Chalfont St Giles Sunday team. Fall of weckers: 1-13, 2-32, 3-43 6-88, 7-118, 8-127, 9-128, 10-148 Beweling: Hints 10-3-27-2: 8.1-1-21-2: Saigal 4-0-21-1; Burk Lethwell 2-0-13-1; Rafii 3-1-5-1. St Giles made a solid 146, with March 38. But then John Franks swung COLESKUL into action and took five Chesham Bois CHESHAM BOLS wickets, including that of Saigal, who Lathwell c Smith b Maich
Pittaway c March b Maich
Pittaway c March b Alexander
Rathi c Saunders C b Gerforth
Derton b Franks
Saunders J c Ross b Franks
Saunders J c Ross b Franks
Saunders R b Franks
Saunders R b Franks made 49, and Chesham Bois were all out for 127. edle Sheck 1 15 Milosa c franks b Alexando Burka b Franks Total 126 og: Kamp 11-2-40-1, Sawyer Weed 0-2-16-1; Sauts 7-9-17-1, August . . . . Bucks Advertiser Thursday 7th June 1984 9 June Longwick C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Longwick 132 for 6 131 for 5 dec. (R. Sawyer 3 for 40) (J. Plested 39) (R. Wood 2 for 46) (R. Beeson 26 n.o.) Longwick won by 4 wkts. 10 June Chesham Bois C.C. v Bellingdon C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common 140 for 9 dec. 144 for 4 (R. Saunders 35 n.o.) (M. Caidan 3 for 14) (I. Dorton 22) (P. Ralli 19)

Bellingdon won by 6 wkts.

CHESHAM BOIS  Pleated B c Wyatt b Castle	Chesham Bois lost both weekend games. On Saturday they set a respectable target of 131-5 against Longwick, but Longwick won with two overs remaining.  On Sunday a brisk 35 by Saunders helped Bois to 140-9 but Bellingdon reached 144 with six overs to spare.	CHESNAM BOIS  Lathwell b Keen 5 Pittaway c Taylor J b Taylor J 14 Belli s Brown b Taylor S 19 Caidan b How 14 Bourtan b Wright P 22 Saigel c Summarfield S b Wright P 1 Saunderson câb How 0 Frankham run out 35 O'Brien c Wright P How 4 Hinks not out 7 Extras 0  Total (for 9 wkts) 140 Fall of wickets: 1 at 5, 2 at 40, 3 at 45, 4 at 84, 5 at 86, 6 at 86, 7 at 90, 8 at 98, 9 at 112.  Beauling: Taylor S, Keen 1, Wright C, How 3, King 0  BELLINGOON Wright 6 c Dorton b Hinks 15 Lambalan c Hinks b Caidan 55 Brown libw Caidan 45 Saylor J, Ibw Caidan 9 Summarfield not out 45 Saylor J, Ibw Caidan 9 Summarfield not out 12 Extras 13  Total (for 4 wkts) 144 Fell of wickets: 1 at 58, 2 at 122, 3 at 125, 4 Beauling: Hinks 12-3-36-1, Ralli 1-0-20-0, Saigal 4-1-21-0, Saunderson 5-0-26-0, Caidan
Description of the Control of the Co		14-3, Lathwell 4-1-6-0.
	icks Advertiser Thursday	
10 June Ashridge College 132 for 1 (A. Rolph 50) (	v Chesham Bois 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI pla 128 for 9 dec. (R. Cocker 25) (R. Beeson 22 Ashridge College won I C. v Haydon Hall C.C. played 126 for 6	ayed at Ashridge College 2) by 8 wkts.
	(A. Rolph 2 for 24)	
` ,	(R. Sawyer 2 for 50)	
CINCESHAMI BO4S   Stack & Hall b Ward   22   Copdell & Ward b Lighthout   2   2   Reperson b Lighthout   64   Plested b Ward   3   Cocher b Frieger   0   Second b Lighthout   15   Second b Lighthout   15   Second b Lighthout   16   Second b Lighthout   17   Frankhava not out   7   Frankhava not out   17   Frankhava not out   18   Second b Lighthout   18   Second b Lighthout   18   Second b Lighthout   18   Second b Lighthout   15   Second b Lighthout   1	Haydon Hall won by A splendid 64 by Nigel Rog was not enough to ensure a wi Chesham Bois in their match with don Hall. Bois made 122-7 by tea but Ha Hall reached 126 with four wick hand.	erson n for Wood chb Wood Hay- Wilcon test set White c Slack b Savoyer White c Slack b Savoyer Lydon Feigur & Cacher b Ralph Man C Dacher b Savoyer
	ıcks Advertiser Thursday	
17 June Chesham Bois C.C 108 (I. Dorton 42)		ed at Chesham Bois Common
(A. Lathwell 34)	Match Drawn/Ra	ain
23 June Chesham Rois C (	C. v Knotty Green C.C. played	
132 for 9	128	a at Olicshall Bols Common
(W. Slack 27)	(J. Saunders 6 for 27) (R. Sawyer 2 for 38) Chesham Bois won b	y 1 wkt.
24 June Longwick C.C. v C	hesham Bois C.C. played at	-
·	130 for 8 (K. Saigal 42) (M. Frankham 27) Match Drawn	
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Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Chesham Bois had mixed fortunes; on Saturday they overcame Knotty Green by one wicket. Green scored 128 (Saunders 6-27). In reply Bois made the target with the last pair at the wicket.

Chesham Bois 132 beat Knotty Green 128 by one wicket.

Sunday 24th

On Sunday Bois went to Longwick. The home side made 172-5 and in reply Bois had made 130-8 by the close.

Match drawn.

Bucks Examiner Friday 29th June 1984

30 June Coopers C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Kitcheners Field, Berkhamsted.

124 for 8

149 for 4 dec.

(R. Wood 4 for 27)

(N. Rogerson 55)

(P. Kemp 3 for 48)

(J. Plested 54 n.o.)

Match drawn

1 July Chesham Bois C.C. v Chairman's XII played at Chesham Bois Common

103 for 10

(R. Wood 31) (A. Lathwell 5 for 25)

(A. Hinks 2 for 5)

(S. Burke 2 for 11) (M. Frankham 2 for 21)

45 overs each and 12 a side Chesham Bois won by 1 wkt.

The Chesham Bois tenth wicket fell at 80 and A Hinks and A. Lathwell put on 23 runs to win the match.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>

Chesham Bois match with Coopers ended in a draw, but some good all-round cricket from both teams provided plenty of entertainment.

Bois made 149-4 with Plested (54 no) and Rodgers (55) pushing the batting along.

With all the Bois bowlers making steady contributions, Coopers were held at bay, and the match finished with Coopers on 128-4.

Sunday 1st

On Sunday, Bois held their annual match against the Chairmans XI.

It was 12-a-side, and it turned out to be a low scoring affair. The Chairmans team made 102, but Bois just scraped home by one wicket.

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7 July Chesham Bois C.C. v Longwick C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common

(A. Rolph 12 n.o.) (R. Wood 6 for 7) (P. Kemp 4 for 17)

Chesham Bois won by 9 wkts.

Wood (6-7) splinters Longwick

CHESHAM BOIS proved to be the pick of the local crop at the weekend, when they smothered Longwick out of sight.

Longwick, batting first, were shot out for just 27 runs with Bois bowlers Bob Wood and Pete Kemp-taking the wickets. Wood returned figures of 6-7, and Kemp

When Bois batted they knocked off the 28 runs with the loss of just one wicket. A stunning win by any standards.

Bucks Examiner Friday 13th July 1984

8 July Chalfont St. Giles C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common

139 for 8 dec.

107

(A. Hinks 3 for 27)

(K. Saigal 29)

(D. Oxley 2 for 22)

(P. Ralli 16)

8 July Ashridge College

Chalfont St. Giles won by 32 runs

142 for 9

Chesham Bois 2<sup>nd</sup> XI played at Ashridge College

(R. Wood 4 for 54)

151 (W. Slack 65)

(S. Rolph 3 for 33)

Match Drawn

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14 July Chesham Bois C.C.
                                                Farnham Royal 3rd XI at Chesham Bois Common
            (N. Rogerson 31)
                                                (R. Sawyer 4 for 21)
            (D. Crawford 14) (R. Wood 3 for 15) (P. Kemp 3 for 20)
                                              Chesham Bois won by 20 runs.
15 July Chesham Bois C.C. v Wendover 2<sup>nd</sup> XI played at Chesham Bois Common
               160 for 6 dec.
                                        (J. Saunders 5 for 6)
             (S. Pittaway 66)
               (P. Ralli 47)
                                      (M. Frankham 2 for 23)
        (R. Saunders 23 n.o.)
                                              Chesham Bois won by 86 runs.
                                      Saunders scatters 'em!
                                    CHESHAM BOIS bowler John officer with the NHBC, still had
                                    Saunders, a medium quickle, to listen to club treasurer Don
                                    was the star performer on the Crawford's tale of a seven-
                                    Chiltern scene on Sunday, when he claimed 5-6 against wicket tally — all bowled —
                                    Wendover. His analysis was: against a Launceston XI on a
                                    6-2-6-5. But John (22) a claims recent LM tour.
                          Chesham Bois also had a suc-
                                                            On Sunday Bois beat Wendover
                                                           by 86 runs. Bois made 160-6,
                        cessful weekend.
                          On Saturday they beat Farnham
                                                          Pittaway getting a very good 66,
                        Royal by 20 runs. Bois batted first
                                                          and Ralli 47.
                        on an unpredictable wet wicket,
                                                             In reply Wendover could only
                        and were all out for just 82,
                                                           make a miserable 74, with Bois
                        Rogerson 31.
                                                           bowler Saunders taking an amaz-
                          Royal in reply lost wickets even
                                                           ing five wickets for six runs in just
                        quicker, and with Bois bowlers
Sawyer Kemp and Wood on form,
                                                          six overs, including two maidens.
                        they were skittled out for 62.
                                     Bucks Examiner Friday 20th July 1984
21 July Ley Hill C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Ley Hill
                                        181 for 9 dec.
                                     (N. Rogerson 38) (A. Lathwell 31) (R. Beeson 28)
       (P. Kemp 7 for 5)
                                                Chesham Bois won 68 runs.
22 July Chesham Bois C.C.
                                                The Ravers C.C. at Chesham Bois Common
                      160
                                                   175 for 9 dec.
             (K. Saigal 41) (J. Saunders 3 for 46) (A. Lathwell 2 for 24)
              (P. Ralli 33)
                                   (R. Wood 2 for 27) (D. Oxley 2 for 51)
                                                The Ravers won by 15 runs.
             CHESHAM BOIS
                                                    Saturday
                                            Chesham Bois
                                            beat Ley Hill thanks chief-
                                            ly to Pete Kemp who deci-
                                            mated the home side's bat-
               ger ......
Gra
                                            ting with figures of seven
                                            wickets for five runs.
           Total (for 9 wkts) 181

1 of Wickets: 1 at 5, 2 at 42, 3 at

85, 5 at 112, 6 at 156, 7 at 158,

8, 9 at 181.

offing: Leadbitter, M 10.5-3.40-5;

8-0-47-2; Leadbitter, R 7-2-12-0;

12-2-34-1; Richardson 7-0-30-1.

LEY HILL
                                              Chasing Chesham Bois'
                                            total of 181 for 9, Ley Hill
                                                                                  Total (for 9 wkt dec) 175
Fall of Wickets: 1 at 8, 2 at 70, 3 at
78, 4 at 103, 5 at 114, 6 at 114, 7 at
136, 8 at 163, 9 at 166.
Bowling: Saunders, J 15-1-46-3; Os-
ley 12-0-5-1-2; Wood 10-2-27-2; Lathwell
5-0-24-2; Slack 2-0-20-0.
                                            could only muster 113.
                                                    Sunday
                                           Chesham Bois' fortunes
                                            were reversed on Sunday
                                                                                         CHESHAM BOIS
                                            when they were beaten by
                                                                                     15 runs at the hands of
                                            Ravers.
                                                                                       ay c Harris, A b D'Arcy
                                              Ravers made 175 for 9
                                            declared and Chesham
                                            Bois could only total 160.
                        Total 113
      Bowling: Saunders 7-0-34-2: Sawyer
5-2-25-1: Rolph, S 4-0-19-0: Kemp
5-2-5-7: Cogdell 2-0-13-0.
                                                                                                     Total 160
                                  Bucks Advertiser Thursday 26th July 1984
                                                 Coleshill C.C. at Chesham Bois Common
28 July Chesham Bois C.C.
                                        V
                     156
                                                         80
                                             (R. Wood 4 for 20)
            (D. Crawford 42)
  (R. Sawyer 29) (P. Kemp 22) (R. Sawyer 4 for 27) (P. Kemp 2 for 28)
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Chesham Bois won by 76 runs

29 July Chesham Bois C.C. v Chorleywood Strollers C.C. at Chesham Bois Common

63 for 2

(P. Ralli 40 n.o.)

(S. Pittaway 15)

59 (J. Saunders 5 for 32)

(R. Wood 3 for 3)

(D. Oxley 2 for 12)

Chesham Bois won by 8 wkts.

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>

In the match with Coleshill, Chesham Bois made hard work of a 77-run victory, which at one stage looked impossible. Batting first, Bois were reduced to 56-6, but Don Crawford (42) aided by R. Sawyer (29) and P. Kemp (22) saw Bois through to 156. Coleshill never got to grips with a lively wicket, and fell away to 79 all out. Sunday 29th

CHORLEYWOOD Strollers were destroyed for just 59 runs, by Chesham Bois, with John Saunders once again claiming five wickets in a similar manner to his performance two weeks ago against Wendover.

In this match Saunders finished with (5-32).

Chesham Bois were able to reach the winning score of 63-2 in 13 overs, P. Ralli (40) and the match was over before the tea interval. Chesham Bois won by eight wickets.

# Bucks Examiner Friday 3rd August 1984

4 Aug. Chesham Bois C.C. v Northchurch C.C.

Cancelled/Rain

5 Aug. Bellingdon C.C. v

(J. Saunders 6 for 28)

(P. Ralli 3 for 8)

Chesham Bois C.C. played at Bellingdon 68 for 1

(S. Pittaway 39 n.o.)

(P. Ralli 20)

Chesham Bois won by 9 wkts.

# Saunders (6-28) destroys Bellingdon

SOME inspired bowling helped Chesham Bois wreck Bellingdon's batting, and saw them cruise to a ninewicket victory in Sunday's match.

Batting first, Bellingdon struggled to reach 66 all out, only C. G. Wright (17) and J. Wigfield (18) making double figures.

The main damage was done by J. Saunders who produced matchwinning figures of 15-7-28-6.

He was ably supported by P. Ralli who took 3-8 and D. Oxley 1-21.

It took only 10.3 overs for Chesham Bois to reach the target set, Ralli hitting 20 and Pittaway 32 not not, helping the visitors to an emphatic victory.

# Bucks Examiner Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August 1984

11 Aug. The Lee C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at the Lee

38

39 for 2

(J. Saunders 8 for 25) (R. Cocker 17 n.o.) (R. Wood 3 for 9)

(W. Slack 13)

Chesham Bois won by 8 wkts.

12 Aug. Chesham Bois C.C. v Little Missenden Misfits C.C. at Chesham Bois Common

175 for 8 dec.

120

(N. Rogerson 34)

(D. Oxley 4 for 49)

(S. Pittaway 31)

(R. Wood 2 for 11)

(R. Hearn 26 n.o.)

(A. Lathwell 2 for 12)

Chesham Bois won by 55 runs.



CHESHAM BOIS enjoyed yet another successful weekend, that man John Saunders taking wickets again for them, on Saturday, as he recorded figures of 8-25 in 11 overs.

His victims were The Lee, who were all out for 38.

Bois made the runs with ease to record a nine-wicket victory.

On Sunday Bois saw off Little Missenden Misfits by 55 runs. Bois made 175-8, and then reduced Misfits to 120 all out.

Bucks Examiner Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August 1984

18 Aug. Haydon Hall C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Eastcote

91 for 8

155 for 9 dec.

(P. Kemp 4 for 29)

(R. Wood 56)

(S. Rolph 3 for 13)

(N. Rogerson 38)

Match Drawn 19 Aug. Chesham Bois C.C. v Rickmansworth British Legion C.C. at Bois Common

99 for 9

(A. Lathwell 20) (D. Oxley 20) (R. Hearn 4 for 57) (A. Lathwell 4 for 33)

Match Drawn

# Oxley gets side off to heady start

DAVID Oxley gave Chesham Bois a heady start to their match against Rickmansworth RBL when he disposed of two batsmen in only his second over.

But he had to retire from bowling through injury and the Rickmansworth batting picked up thanks to Thomas (21) and Brown (18).

Rickmansworth reached 74-5 but then collapsed to 116 all out. Chesham Bois bowlers Alan Lathwell and Rod Hearn both had four wickets to their credit.

Chesham Bois suffered a severe blow when Phil Ralli went for six in the first over. But Rogerson and Pittaway got the innings underway and captain Alan Lathwell (20) also played steadily.

But Chesham looked seriously in danger of defeat when they went from a healthy 45-3 to a miserable 50-6. Their fortunes were revived by Oxley who scored a quick 20 including two sixes and the side held out for a draw at

CHESHAM DOIS put of witchote: 1 at 6, 2 at 26, 3 at 1 at 49, 5 at 50, 6 at 50, 7 at 73, 8 9, 9 at 99.

Bucks Advertiser Thursday 23rd August 1984

25 Aug. Chesham Bois C.C.

Ley Hill C.C. played at Chesham Bois common

(D. Crawford 27)

(P. Kemp 5 for 18) (J. Saunders 4 for 16)

(W. Slack 18) (J. Saunders 17)

Chesham Bois won by 57 runs.

26 Aug. Farnham Common C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Farnham Common 145 for 5 dec. 123 for 4

(D. Oxley 2 for 47)

(R. Wood 66 n.o.) (R. Hearn 46)

Match Drawn

27 Aug. Kodak C.C. (Harrow) (Mon.)

Chesham Bois C.C. played at Harrow 89 for 7

(A. Hinks 6 for 41) (A. Lathwell 4 for 40) (R. Saunders 22) (R. Cocker 20) Chesham Bois won by 3 wkts.

## Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>

Chesham Bois had an easy 57 run victory over Ley Hill, on Saturday. Bois scored 110 with Don Crawford getting the top score of 27. In reply Ley Hill slumped to 28-9 before being all out for 53, with Pete Kemp taking 5-18 and John Saunders 4-16.

# Sunday 26th

Chesham Bois got off to a disastrous start, against Farn-ham Common, losing their first four wickets with just 17 on the

Some solid batting from Bob Wood 66 not out; and Rod Hearn 46, put on 107 for the fifth wicket. Bois declared at tea on 147-5. Farnham Common made slow progress never looking like getting near to Bois total despite 46 from N. Goodwin and 25 not out from R. Thomas at the end. Match drawn.

# Monday 27th

Chesham Bois beat Kodak (Harrow) by three wickets. Kodak batting first made 87 all out. A. Hinks 6-41 and A. Lath-well 4-40 bowled well to contain Kodak. Chesham Bois made easy progress reaching their total with three wickets and 14 overs to spare, thanks mainly to Richard Saunders (22) and Rob Cocker (20).

# Bucks Examiner Friday 31st August 1984

# The Wiltshire Tour

Poulshot C.C. (Wiltshire) 1 Sept.

(A. Lathwell 4 for 20)

Chesham Bois C.C. played at Poulshot 111 for 9 dec.

(J. Plested 37)

(N. Bunce 4 for 22) (S. Rolph 2 for 10) (R. Beeson 15) (R. Saunders 12)

Chesham Bois won by 50 runs.

# CHESHAM BOIS Plested D c Webber b Pratley. Rolph b Pratley Saunders b Golding Lathwell c Alchin b Pratley Beeson c Webber b Alchin Cocker b Bullen T Plested J Ibw Golding Frankhern b Bullen D 12 11 37 Crawford b Bullen D .. Caidan not out ..... Extras Total (for 9 wkts) 111 Fall of Wicksets: 1 at 8, 2 at 23, 3 at 34, 4 at 37, 5 at 38, 6 at 87, 7 at 95, 8 at 95, 9 at 111. Beauting: Prattey 11-5-14-2; Golding 9-1-32-2; Bullen 7 7-3-4-1; Scammell 9-2-18-0; Alchin 7-1-20-1; Bullen D 3-1-8-2. Total (for 9 wkts) 111

**Bucks Advertiser** Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1984 CHESHAM BOIS got off to a bad start on their Wiltshire tour when they slumped to 38-5 in their opener against Poulshot. But they rallied to win by 50 runs.

Bob Beeson (15) and John Plested (37) put on 49 for the sixth wicket, and Chesham Bois declared at tea on 111-9

Poulshot never looked like getting the runs with only N. Golding getting into double figures, as Bois bowled out Poulshot for 61.

Alan Lathwell 4-20, Nigel Bunce 4-22 and Sid Rolph 2-10 all bowled well.

Chesham Bois 111-9, Plested 37 (Bullen 2-6). Poulshot 61, Golding 16 (Lathwell 4-20, Bunce 4-22, Rolph 2-10).

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# POOLSHOT Webber c Frankham b Lathwell Scammell c Rolph b Lathwell Weeding b Bunce Baber A b Lathwell Ware st Crawford b Bunce Golding b Bunce Bullen D c Frankhem b Lathwell Bullen T b Rolph Alchin c Frankhem b Relph Baber J b Rolph Pratiey not out .. Extras ... Total 61 Fall of Wickets: 1 at 8, 2 at 19, 3 at 25, 4 at 31, 5 at 31, 6 at 31, 7 at 53, 8 at 57, 9 at 57. Bowling: Lathwell 9-4-20-4. Bunce, 12.3-4-22-4, Rolph 4-0-10-2.

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(A. Lathwell 8 for 63)

# 2 Sept. Urchfont C.C. (Wiltshire) v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Urchfont

# (D. Plested 35) (R. Cocker 14) Urchfont won by 18 runs

URCHFORT nys c Plested, D b Lathwell 26 Smith c Soundars b Lathwell \_ Wylie b Lathwell \_\_\_\_\_ 18 14 19 ich clib Lathwoll 0 Food K h Lathwooll \_ 4 22 My chi Bunce . iddings not out ... 9 2 as b Rolph ere b Lathwell Ford, B b Lathwell Handring b Lathwell.

Total 116 Fall of Wickets: 1 at 38, 2 at 49, at 64, 4 at 68, 5 at 77, 6 at 93, 7 at 109,

8 at 114, 9 at 116.

Bewling: Lathwell 18.4-2-83-8; Relph 9-2-28-1; Buncs 9-1-22-1.

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Chesham Bois failed to carry on from where they left off — the day before at Poulshot — when they went down, on Sunday, to an 18 run defeat at Urchfont (Wiltshire).

But this match saw Bois bowler Alan Lathwell take a career best 8-63, from 18.4 overs-two maidens.

Urchfont started well, putting on 36 for the first wicket, and looked like getting a high

score on a good wicket.

Then Alan Lathwell struck, taking 8-63 to reduce Urchfont to 116 all out.

Chesham Bois made steady progress with Dave Plested making 35. As the light got bad. wickets started to fall, and Bois were finally

out for 98.

Wiltshire County player A. Crouch took 3-14 in 15 overs and P. Wykie 5-35.

Urchfont (Wiltshire) 116, Samways 26 (Lathwell 8-63), Chesham Bois 98 D. Plested 35 (Wylie 5-35).

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Plested, D c Moore b Crouch	35
Rolph & Crouch	3
Beesen c Samways b Wylie	3
Lethwell c Samweys b Wylie	0
Frankham c Giddings & Connolly	6
Cocker c Thomas b Connolly	14
Saunders c Smith b Wylie	10
Plested, J not out	6
Caiden b Crouch	0
Gomm b Wylie	3
Bunce b Wylie	25
Extras	23

CHESHAM BOIS

Total 98 Fall of Wickets: 1 at 12, 2 at 34, 3 at 35, 4 at 44, 5 at 70, 6 at 83, 7 at 89, 8 at 95, 9 at 98. Bouling: Crouch 15-4-14-3; Wylie 17.2-8-35-5; Connolly 12-2-31-2.

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# Urchfont Cricket Club Pictured in 1984

2 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v The Lee C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common 83 for 2 82

(P. Ralli 51 n.o.) (D. Oxley 5 for 12)

(S. Pittaway 30) (M. Chapman 4 for 22)

# Chesham Bois won by 8 wkts.

The Lee went down by eight wickets at Chesham Bois, with wickets tumbling at speed.

Only B. Bevan put up any sort of resistance with 23, before being clean bowled by Chapman

The Lee could only muster 82 runs, as an accurate Chesham Bois attack took wickets steadily on a good batting wicket.

Dave Oxley (5-12) and M. Chapman (4-22) did the damage, backed up by excellent fielding.

Any hopes the Lee had of defending the total were soon smashed as Philip Ralli hit a strong 50 in only 37 balls.

The Lee 82, B. Bevan 23, (Oxley 5-12, Chapman 4-22). Chesham Bois 83-2, Ralli 51 not out, Pittaway 30, (Broad 1-7, Ball 1-24).

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8 Sept. Penn Street C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Penn Street 121 for 9 155 for 8 dec.

(P. Kemp 7 for 42) (N. Rogerson 51 n.o.)

(R. Wood 2 for 30) (R. Cocker 30) (R. Wood 20)

Match Drawn

9 Sept. Sarratt C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Sarratt

5 for 0

117 for 9 dec. (A. Lathwell 26)

(R. Hearn 19 n.o.) (P. Ralli 19)

Match Drawn/Rain

15 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v The Ravers C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common

91

77 for 8

(R. Cocker 17)

(P. Kemp 5 for 25)

(W. Slack 13)

(R. Sawyer 2 for 30)

## Match Drawn

# Saturday 8th September

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CHESHAM BOIS	
Benson c Ward b Bonnett	2 5
Slack b Howick	
Rogersen not out	51
Saunders c&b Howick	0
Plested c James b Turner	12
Cocker c Howick b Coombes	30
Wood c Ward M b Turner	20
Sawyer b Howick	13
Cogdell c James b Walcot	8
Crawford not out	1
Extras	13
Total (for 8 wkts)	155
PENN STREET	
Coombes b Kemp	55
James c&b Wood	21
Culbert c Crawford b Kemp	1
Howick c&b Kemp	3
Turner c Cogdell b Wood	20
McClean b Kemp	2
	2
Cocks c Saunders b Kemp	ő
Rayen c Saunders b Kemp	0
Walcott not out	0
Extras	16
LAII 85	
Total (for 9 wicts)	121
Bowling: Kemp 20-5-41-7; Ser	wyer
4-0-16-0; Wood 12-1-30-2; S 3-0-17-0.	

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# Saturday 15th September

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Bolph c Murphy b Harris T	8
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Slack c Mac Bain b Harris T	13
Beesen c Caudron b Mac Bein	8
Sawyer not out	1
Crawford c Thomas b Harris R	1
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Extras	16
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16 Sept. Westcott C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Westcott 142 for 9 150 for 8 dec. (R. Wood 5 for 29) (J. Saunders 60) (J. Saunders 4 for 58) (I. Gomm 29) (R. Beeson 16) 40 overs match/Chesham Bois won by 8 runs. CHESHAM BOIS CHESHAM Bois were in WESTCOTT for five Ralli b Searle. trouble at 35 Rayner B b Wood .. 32 Bruton b Roberts. against some accurate Busby b Sau Caidan b Searle .. Westcott bowling. But a Roberts c Mond b Wood 35 Lathwell c Winfield b Moore.. sixth wicket stand of 65 by Winfield b Wood \_\_ Winchester & Bruten & Saunders Wood c Winchester & Seerle Saunders (60) and Beeson Searle c Oxley b Saunders Saunders c Winchester b Searle Beeson Ibw Searle 60 (16) saved the day. A hard hit 29 from Moore b Sau 18 Skinner c Ralli b Wood Gomm c Rayner b Searle 29 Gomm further boosted ett met oost Ordey not out .. Bois' score and they finishyear D c Rolli b Wood O'Brien not out 9 ed with 150 for nine off 40 ms not out Extras 8 Extras Total (for 8 wkts dec) 150 Fall of Wickets: 1 at 9, 2 at 13, 3 at Westcott's Total (for 9 wkts) 142 batsmen made steady Fall of Wishots: 1 at 23, 2 at 72, 3 at 92, 4 at 99, 5 at 112, 6 at 120, 7 at progress and at 92 for two 19, 4 at 28, 5 at 35, 8 at 100, 7 at 139, were well set for victory 8 at 140. 123, 8 at 135, 9 at 138. Bouling: Roberts 4-1-11-1; Searle but a lively spell of bowling Bouling: Sounders 18-1-58-4; Order 11-3-31-0; Wood 10-0-29-5; Lathurel 17-4-48-8; Moore 8-3-38-1; Winfield 8-3-36-0; Rayner 3-0-12-0. from Wood (5-29) and Saunders (4-58) completely turned the tables and led Bois to an eight run vic-Bucks Advertiser Thursday 20th September 1984 16 Sept. Chesham Bois 2<sup>nd</sup> XI v Bourne End C.C. (Wycombe) at Chesham Bois Common 131 for 6 dec. 123 for 9 (N. Rogerson 53) (R. Hearn 8 for 69) (W. Slack 1 for 6) (S. Pittaway 23) (W. Slack 19) Match drawn BOURNE END CHESHAM BOIS Slack b Twitchen Thomas c Rogerson b Slock Regerson c Dutten b Chapman .. Moore b Hoorn Mash c Dorton b Hearn . 23 Pitteway c Keets b Bird 23 Keets c Dorton b Hoors Rolph b Ives Bird h Honey ... Dorten c Eastwood b Ives ... Twitchen c Slack b Hearn Bobb b Ives Dutten c Slack h Hearn. Allard not out **Fastened** not not Extres n câb Hearn Total (for 6 wicts doc) 131 17 Fell of Wichotn: 1 at 27, 2 at 81, 3 at 104, 4 at 112, 5 at 120, 6 at 124. Burding: Ivos 15-3-31-3; Chapma 8-1-24-1; Twitchen 9-2-17-1; Kee Total (for 9 wkts) 123 Bobb 14-5-20-0; Heart 20-4-89-8 Slack 4-1-8-1: 9-1-30-0; Bird 5-0-19-1. Bucks Advertiser Thursday 20th September 1984 22 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v Kodak C.C. (Harrow) Cancelled by Kodak 23 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v T.T.Boughtons XI Cancelled/Rain 29 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v Elstree C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common 176 for 6 dec. 23 for 6 (Elstree had only 8 men/one man retired hurt) (S. Pittaway 67) (R. Hearn 3 for 12) (P. Ralli 30) (R. Sawyer 2 for 9) (R. Beeson 19) Chesham Bois won by 153 runs 30 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v The Innocents C.C. Cancelled by The Innocents

Averages 1984

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A.HINKS		4	38	12*	12.67	108-3	30	248	19	13.05	3	
P.KEMP	10	5 2	61	22	12-20	170.2	48	382	44	8.68	7	
A.LATHWELL	23		418	62	19.91	133.5	29	424	145	9.42	375538	
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K.SAIGAL	8	-	174	49	21.75	17	1	75	2	37.50	3	
J. SAUNDERS	15	2	252	60	19.39	1925	35	340	56	9.64	10	
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Scorebooks were available for this season

## THE PLESTED BROTHERS





John in 1970

John (Left) & David (Right)
Pictured on 30<sup>th</sup> April 1966 Home v Tring Park 3<sup>rd</sup> XI
About to open the innings for Chesham Bois C.C.



David in 1970

Joining the club from Ley Hill C.C. both John and David became prominent members of the club, both on and off the field, becoming involved in all club matters.

# John (1964-1984)

A dedicated clubman John captained several of the club sides for many seasons, a job he loved doing and one not everyone is capable of doing efficiently while keeping the respect of his fellow players, in this he succeeded.

John was a solid and very reliable opening batsman and a prolific scorer. An accumulator of runs rather than a dashing run scorer he was very difficult to get out when set and never gave his wicket away easily. He was an excellent covers fielder and bowled slow leg breaks, a useful addition to the bowling attack especially when a stubborn partnership was in progress. He picked up many useful wickets in these circumstances.

Tragically John passed away in 1985 at the early age of 38 when he had many playing seasons left to fulfil. John was a great loss both to his family and all club members.

Career Record

Batting:

Innings N.O. Runs Average Highest Centuries

404 90 8100 25.80 102 Bowling:

Overs Maidens Runs Wickets Average Catches

285 37 1046 56 18.68 105

1964 averages were not available to be included.

# David (1964-1984)

Although retiring from regular playing in 1984 David still managed the odd match for the second XI, Golden Oldies and President's XI in later years.

He was also Fixture Secretary for an unprecedented 25 years overall, a thankless job to most people but he was held in high regard by opposing clubs fixture secretaries.

David was a genuine all rounder as against John's batsman who bowled occasionally. He was a reliable early order batsman and shared many a partnership with John on numerous occasions. He was a sound collector of runs, safe slip fielder and accurate slow/medium seam bowler.

David served as Club President from 1997-2005.

No more committed club member could any club wish to have. Although no longer involved in the club management he is, nevertheless, supportive in the clubs affairs.

"This club will always be a part of my life" he has said many times in the past. Long may it be so.

Career Record

Batting:

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Innings N.O. Runs Average Highest Score 380 39 4919 14.42 62

Bowling:

Overs Maidens Runs Wickets Average Catches

857 130 2851 185 15.41 129

1964 Averages were not available to be included.

# **MEMORIES**

# WRITTEN BY MR. DAVID PLESTED PLAYER 1964 – 1984 (THEN OCCASIONAL MATCHES UP TO 1996)

# **WRITTEN MARCH 1989**



David Plested Pictured in 1967

Is it really 30 years since I stumbled on to Chesham Bois Common as a schoolboy? I can still remember those peaceful Sunday afternoons of the 1950's so clearly.

Cricket had always been in my blood and I was a regular supporter of Chesham, they were a real force in Buckinghamshire cricket then. At first I used to sit with my dad and watch the likes of the Reynolds brothers, Geoff and Don, Archie Campbell, Geoff Keen (who was my teacher at White Hill), Don Rickard, Maurice Sawyer (Richard's father) and my name sake Reg. Plested.

Then when my brother John was old enough to own a bike we used to go together and watch not only the home matches but games at such faraway places as, Chorley Wood and Amersham. By this time a new star had arrived on the scene, Fred Harris. He probably gave us more excitement as schoolboys than any other player. Even to this day I have never known anyone hit the ball further, particularly to the mid-wicket area.

Every Saturday and Thursday, and always during the cricket week at the beginning of august, we never missed a match. In those days cricket was never played at Chesham on a Sunday. It was because of this that we used to cycle up to Chesham Bois on a Sunday afternoon to watch a different sort of cricket.

The ground was incredibly small and the bush area around the perimeter very thick, you would never know there was a match on until you actually came on to the common. There were no cars parked in North Road, only bicycles lent against the trees and against a tiny green changing room. It was quite exciting to struggle through all this wooded area and then suddenly find cricketers. I noticed that batsmen missed the ball as often as they hit it, and when they did connect the ball usually went in a different direction to where intended. Also, the ball never travelled very fast along the ground, as the grass was not as short as we were used to at Chesham, wickets were often uncut and an innings didn't last too long.

Although I sensed the cricket was much inferior to what I was used to watching I was attracted to the good fun of it all. There was much mickey-taking and lots of clapping when some unlikely "batsman" broke his duck.

Time dims most memories and of the players from those distant days only two can be recalled. One was a batsman with a blue and white quartered cap who seemed to swing the bat at almost every ball. Some would just clear the middle stump with all the fielders throwing up their hands in despair. Others would hit the middle of the bat and rise to a great height before crashing into the surrounding wood. All the fielders would then disappear for some length of time before the cry of "I've found it" went up and everyone would reappear. I never knew much about the batsman except that his name was Webb.

The other person was a very jolly man with a plumpish figure who seemed to walk around the ground rattling a collection box every thirty minutes. We used to put a penny in every time and this wonderful character would stop and joke. Everyone knew him and besides actually playing he seemed to be in charge of all off field activities. After all the players had finished their tea he would bring to us, sitting on the ground in front of where the present pavilion is, all the left over sandwiches and cakes and tell us to finish them. We soon got to know his name was Len Hammond, the same Len Hammond who was to be a constant source of encouragement to us when we started playing for the club some years later.

When the game was over John and I spent hours throwing a tennis ball to each other.

When I was 16 a member of Ley Hill Cricket Club invited me to go along for net practice. I must have shown some potential as the following Saturday I was in the team to play at Bellingdon. That was the start of a six-year spell with Ley Hill playing in the old Chesham league. Our regular rivals were Ashley Green, Chesham Vale, Hawridge, Bellingdon and Brazils. I also played on Sundays for Chenies and Latimer.

My brother John was invited to play a few Sundays in 1964 for Chesham Bois by David Hearn, who was captain and worked with John. Towards the end of 1964 John asked me to play in a needle match with Northchurch. They were short of players so I made my debut along with Andy Hinks. To this day I can remember details of that game. I opened the batting facing a player called Alan Fantham, who was obviously their star player, and I made a disastrous start caught off my glove second ball for 0. Somehow the club made 80. Our captain said not to worry, but inwardly he seemed very disappointed. That captain was none other than Ian Gomm, who is mainly responsible for me still being connected with the club some 25 years later.

That feeling of friendship started when John and I came on to bowl with Northchurch on 50 for 1, in a little over an hour later they were all out for 70 and Ian had an arm around both of us making us feel ten feet tall. I played on Sundays for the rest of that season and in 1965 played both Saturdays and Sundays.

The club was not particularly strong at the start of the 1965 season, but during that season a lot of good cricketers, who have been a joy to play with, joined.

There was the talkative but talented Peter Arnold, Ian Frankham, Robin Channer, Barry White and the man who was to dominate all the games he played for the next dozen or so years, Bobby Wood. 1965 was also the year that the present pavilion was built and marked a new era in the club. Better facilities together with better wickets meant, not only were more cricketers drawn to the club, but most importantly the fixture list improved year on year. New clubs of the calibre of Salisbury, Marlow Park, Chenies and Farnham Royal appeared. It is in the area of fixtures that I have concentrated my efforts over the past 19 seasons and through which I have developed long standing friendships with other club's fixture secretaries.

From 1965 -1977 I played regularly and, although there were many disappointments for the club, and for me personally, I can look back on those years with so many happy memories. There were so many marvellous characters. Such as Barry White, who on a wet day came on to bowl and handed his umbrella to the umpire. Peter Arnold, who would start talking when he was picked up and never stopped until he was dropped home, some 10 hours later. Stafford Burbridge, a lovely man, who kept wicket very efficiently for many years. He was once locked in the "Boot and Slipper "after closing time. Ian Gomm and Len Hammond, who were absolutely splendid in their love of Chesham Bois Cricket Club. They were involved in everything that went on and were known for miles around for their unique characteristics. One of my favourite memories is of them putting on

nearly 100 for the 9<sup>th</sup> wicket, after the first 8 batsmen had made about 40 between them. They were so overjoyed, as were everyone watching.

When I first joined the club there was a wonderful old character named Bill Washington who used to score in every match and was absolutely incredible at remembering facts and figures. At any given time he could tell you how many runs everyone had scored, the number of boundaries hit and the record partnership for any wicket. When you consider he was nearly 90 and had a wooden pale for a leg, which he lost in the First World War, he was indeed a remarkable man, loved for miles around. When we visited the Hill at Harrow he would always insist on buying the whole team fish and chips on the way back.

There were two other lovable characters that always supported the club in all weathers. They were kitty and Harry Aris, who lived in the house opposite the pavilion in North Road. Kitty always rang the bell when a six was hit or someone completed a fifty. As she got older it took her longer and longer to complete the task. Towards the end of her life the bell used to sound about an over late, but it was always appreciated. Her brother Harry had been a dispatch rider in the First World War and his passion was growing roses. His nickname was "Ghosty", this being earned when he spread a white sheet over himself and appeared through the trees to scare off a group of girl guides, who were making a lot of noise in their camp on Chesham Bois common.

I have a picture taken in 1970 of a typical XI of those days. We were playing Rivets of Aylesbury, who were strong opponents, but such was the strength of Chesham Bois that they were well beaten. I recall the batting order that day, John Plested, Jim Nokes, Stuart Romaine, Nigel Barker, Bob Wood, myself, Peter White, Ian Frankham, Andy Hinks, John Richardson and Peter Arnold. That was some team and what a great bunch of friends.

Another match I recall was against Launceston of Cornwall, this is still the longest journey we have ever had to make to a game and was arranged as Nigel Barker had just moved there from Amersham. It was a great laugh all weekend and everyone got a ribbing from everyone else, but sadly the game was abandoned when we were 80 for 1, Stuart Romaine being the only Chesham Bois cricketer dismissed in Cornwall, but for the rest of the day we were lavishly entertained. I can vaguely remember the beer being a little on the strong side and the name of "Big Lil" being mentioned a lot. We slept all over Nigel's house and left very early to enjoy a wonderful walk and breakfast on Weston Super Mare promenade. I would like to recall the players who made the trip, John Plested, Stuart Romaine, Don Clarke, Ian Frankham, myself, Bob Berry, Doug Puddephatt, Keith Farmer, Doug Jackson, Stafford Burbridge and Andy Hinks.

Of all the matches played one will always stand out. It was at Chenies in 1968 and we lost by one wicket of the last ball of the game. This was after Nigel Barker had scored a magnificent 100 and I was fortunate to partner him in an opening stand of 149.

Since 1977 I have played only infrequently, but when I have played I have always been aware of being part of a close knit team. The players of my younger days have now all gone, apart from the ageless Bob Wood, but others have come along to replace them. Among the most talented of this later age have been Dick Sawyer, Alan Lathwell, Jon Saunders, Rod Hearn and Phil Ralli.

Much of the credit for keeping Chesham Bois as a force must rest with Syd Rolph, a later day Len Hammond, taking on every job imaginable. He also has the same physical build and jovial personality. Without Syd the new extension to the pavilion, which is due to open at the end of 1989, just would not have been possible.

Each season now we visit Wiltshire for the weekend and this is something that is most enjoyable. Anyone who has been to Mrs. Podgers will have a collection of stories to tell, long may they continue. The President's XI at the end of the season is another well lauded event, as is the Village Cup which we have participated in since 1974. It is my one regret that we have never progressed to the later stages of this last event. I have seen Booker and Winchmore Hill play in front of some 1000 people. When I look back on all the players we really should have done better.

I would like to finish my contribution to this club book by selecting what I think would be my dream team to play at Lords from all the players I have seen since I first became associated with the club. I am assuming all the players would be at their peak together and make special apologies to such players as John Richardson, Rod Hearn and Jon Saunders, who I would have picked if numbers allowed.

For better or worse this is my team of "Best Ever".

Alan Lathwell
Nigel Barker
Phil Ralli
Jim Nokes
Eddie Salethorne
Bob Wood
Robin Channer
Doug Puddephatt
Dick Sawyer
David Winnie
Peter Arnold

Back to the world of reality, I hope sincerely that cricket will continue to flourish at the club and that many more milestones will be reached.

With the completion of the new pavilion it would be nice to see some old timers being encouraged to attend some of the matches, and also possibly become involved in the running of the club. Many have now got more time to devote to the game than when they were playing and had young families. Their experience could be most valuable in helping the club to continue to move forward. I wish the club every success in the future and hope I can play a small part.

### FIXTURES 1985

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DATE	OPPONENTS	TIME VENUE
April 27	Farnham Common	2.30 H
May 4 11 18	Great Missenden Seer Green Cup Final	2.30 A 2.30 H
25 (BH) 27	Elstree II Chalfont Saints	2.30 A 2.30 A
June 1 8 15 22	Ruislip Village Longwick The Ravers Dinton	2.30 A 2.30 A 2.30 H 2.30 H
July 6 13 20 27	Coopers Buckinsham Town 3001 Longwick Beaconsfield 3001 Ley Hill Seer Green	2.30 A 2.30 H 2.30 H 2.30 A 2.30 A
Aug. 3 10 17 24	Northchurch Farnham Royal III Haydon Hall Ley Hill	2.30 H 2.30 H 2.30 A 2.30 H
(B.H) 26 31	Kodak I Poulshot (Wiltshire) Ciprenham 222, Penn Street	2.00 A 2.00 A
Sept. 7 14 21	Rickmansworth R.B.L. West Wycombe	2.00 A 2.00 H 2.00 A
Sunsay)	Haydon Hall Bowyers, C.C.	1.30 H

Captain: S. ROLPH Vice-Captain: R. WOOD Club Co-crdinator: S. ROLPH

### **SUNDAY FIXTURES 1985**

DATE	OPPONENTS	TIME VEN	IUE
April 28	Penn Street	2.30	Н
May 5	Little Missenden Misfits	2.30	A
12	Bourne End	2.30	A
19	Coleshill (Village Cup)	2.00	A
19	Westcott	2.30	H
26	Farnham Royal III	2.30	H
June 2	Chalfont St. Giles	2.30	H
9	Ashridge College	2.30	A
9	Bellingdon	2.30	H
16	Great Kingshill	2.30	A
23	Hawridge and Cholesbury	2.30	A
30	Presidents XII.	2.30	H
July 7	Chalfont St. Giles	2.30	A
14	The Lee	2.30	A
21	The Ravers	2.30	H
28	Ashridge College	2.30	A
28	Kodak I	2.30	H
Aug. 4	Bellingdon	2.30	A
11	Little Missenden Misfits	2.30	H
18	Rickmansworth R.B.L	2.00	A
25	Farnham Common	2.15	A
Sept. 1	Urchfont (Wiltshire)	11.30	A
1	The Lee	2.00	H
8	Sarratt .	2.00	H
15	Bourne End	2.00	H
15	Westcott	2.00	A
22	Kimble	2.00	A
29	Hawridge and Cholesbury	1.30	H

Captain: A. LATHWELL Vice-Captain: P. RALLI Team Sec. Sun. XI: M. FRANKHAM

27 April Chesham Bois C.C. v Farnham Common C.C. at Chesham Bois Common

139 for 6 dec.

16 for 0

(R. Sawyer 28 n.o.)

(A. Lathwell 27) (R. Cocker 15)

Match Drawn/SNOW

28 April Chesham Bois C.C. v Penn Street C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common 76 for 8 108 for 9

(J. Nokes 24) (A. Lathwell 6 for 26)

(R. Beeson 21 n.o.)

## Match Drawn

In a combative friendly between Chesham Bois and Penn Street, Penn Street - batting first — got off to a good start through Oxley (31), T. Coombes (33) and A. Coombes (27). until Alan Lathwell (6-26) and Rod Hearn (1-50) took control. Penn Steet looked in charge of proceedings at 94-3, but a dramatic collapse took them to 107-9, their last seven batsmen failed to get off the mark.

Chesham Bois commenced their innings disastrously - losing their first three wickets with only three runs on the board.

Bois never recovered from this setback and. only Jim Nokes (24) and Bobby Beeson (21 not out) reached double figures.

They ended up on 76-8, but the game ended in a draw.

**Chesham Bois** 

- J. Nokes
- I. Dorton
- P. Humphreys
- R. Saunders
- A. Lathwell
- R. Beeson
- M. Frankham
- R. Wood
- John O'Brien
- R. Hearn
- S. Burke

# Bucks Examiner Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1985

4 May Great Missenden C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Gt. Missenden 83

(P. Kemp 4 for 31)

62 (R. Sawyer 29)

(R. Sawyer 3 for 11)

(D. Crawford 12)

(R. Wood 3 for 17)

The Chesham Bois team was:

A. Lathwell, M. Benson, N. Rogerson, R. Cocker, R. Sawyer, R. Beeson, W. Slack,

S. Cogdell, R. Wood, D. Crawford and P. Kemp.

5 May Little Missenden Misfits C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Little Missenden 96 for 9 (A. Lathwell 6 for 14) (M. Caidan 43) (R. Hearn 3 for 38) (M. Frankham 13) (J. Nokes 13) Match Drawn Chesham Bois drew with den Miafits. Bois, batting first on a damp wicket made 127 all out, with Michael Caldan top-scoring with 43, Jim Nokes and Mark Frankham both getting 13, and Bobby Beeson 12. Misfits never looked like getting the target, mainly due to some tidy bowling from Alan Lathwell (6-14) and Rod Nearn (3-38). J. Brown 23 and B. Buller 24 were the only players' to put up any resistance as the Misfits hung on for a draw at 96-9. Bucks Examiner Friday 10th May 1985 11 May Chesham Bois C.C. v Seer Green C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common 216 for 0 dec. 77 (A. Lathwell 104 n.o.) (P. Kemp 4 for 13) (S. Cogdell 102 n.o.) Chesham Bois won by 139 runs With Seer Green having a mis-CHESHAM BOIS AN OPENING stand of 216 Lathwell not out \_ erable day in the field, dropping at 104 runs from openers Lathwell Cogdell not out least five reasonable carches, and Cogdell paved the way Extras . Lathwell blasted to his century Total (for no wkts) 216 for Chesham Bois to record with a towering six. a 137 runs victory at Bois When Green batted it was trou-SEER GREEN Common on Saturday, in ble all the way. Pembroke b Sawyer ... Tuck run out \_\_\_\_\_ Goodali c & b Kemp their match against Seer With no hope of getting the runs, it was a matter of seeing out Green. Bingle b Kemp time. However, Bois bowler Peter McSorley c Crawford b Sawyer Unwin c Crawford b Kemp ..... Records tumbled, for it was not Kemp saw to it that Green were only a club record stand, and the Smith Ibw Kemp soon in trouble, and with only two first time Bois had seen any open-Johnson b Slack players reaching double figures ing partnership in club history they crumbled away to a paltry 79. carry their bats, but Cogdell's Houlton not out .. 8 (Chesham Bois 216, Seer Green 79, century bettered his previous best Bois won by 437 runs.) of 28. **Bucks Examiner Bucks Advertiser** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 1985 Thurs. 16th May 1985 12 May Bourne End C.C. (Wycombe) v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Bourne End 127 for 5 dec. 71 for 6 (R. Hearn 4 for 70) (N. Rogerson 27) (J. Saunders 13) Match Drawn The Chesham Bois team was: N. Rogerson, S. Cogdell, I. Dorton, J. Saunders, R. Saunders, R. Beeson, M. Frankham, P. Humphreys, John O'Brien, R. Wood and R. Hearn. 18 May F.A. Cup Final 19 May Coleshill C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Coleshill 108 for 7 107 (P. Ralli 42) (A. Lathwell 4 for 26) (R. Saunders 29 n.o.) (N. Rogerson 19) Whitbread Village Cup Coleshill won by 3 wkts.

Chesham Bois Coleshill chalked up a three N. Rogerson wicket success over Chesham Bois. Bois struggled to 107 in P. Ralli their 40 overs, with P. Ralli scoring 42 and R. Saunder on A. Lathwell I. Dorton 29 not out. Brown took 3-14 in W. Slack his nine overs, with Bradshaw J. Saunders taking 2-16. R. Sawyer Coleshill's top scorers were R. Saunders K. Warn (39 and A. Small (23), R. Hearn as the home team reached their target in 30 overs. A. Lathwell P. Kemp took 4-26 for Chesham Bois. M. Frankham Bucks Examiner Friday 24th May 1985 19 May Chesham Bois 2<sup>nd</sup> XI v Westcott C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common 236 for 5 dec. (R. Wood 24 n.o.) (S. Rolph 2 for 44) (N. Bunce 2 for 48) Westcott won by 165 runs. The Chesham Bois team was: S. Cogdell, M. Benson, K. Saigal, D. Vineall, P. Humphreys, R. Cocker, C. Walsh, A. Rolph, R. Wood, S. Rolph and N. Bunce. 25 May Elstree 2<sup>nd</sup> XI Chesham Bois C.C. played at Elstree 120 for 6 dec. (P. Kemp 4 for 20) (R. Sawyer 34 n.o.) (W. Slack 2 for 23) (R. Cocker 20 n.o.) (N. Rogerson 19) Chesham Bois won by 41 runs Three farcical run-outs never Chesham Bois beat Elstree by 41 helped their cause. Earlier Bois runs in a friendly game brought alive by a frantic finish. had struggled to 80-5 before R. Sawyer, 34 not out, and quick Bois beat Elstree on the very last ball, when Rogerson caught knocks by Cogdell (16), Rolph (8) and bowled hard-hitting Foley for and Rob Cocker, with two almighty sixes, lifted them to 120-6 A fine spell of bowling by Pete declared. Kemp, who took 4-20 in 19 overs, ripped the heart out of Elstree's batting. Bucks Examiner Friday 31st May 1985 Cancelled/Rain Cancelled/Rain 1 June Ruislip Village C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Ruislip

26 May Chesham Bois C.C. v Farnham Royal 3rd XI

27 May Chalfont Saints C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. (Mon.)

110 113 for 3

(P. Kemp 4 for 16) (J. Nokes 40 n.o.)

(R. Wood 3 for 8) (A. Lathwell 46 n.o.)

Chesham Bois won by 7 wkts.

2 June Chesham Bois C.C. v Chalfont St. Giles C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common 70 159

(J. Saunders 24 n.o.) (P. Ralli 5 for 55)

(A. Lathwell 18) (J. Saunders 2 for 37)

Chalfont St. Giles won by 89 runs

### 1 June

CHESHAM BOIS continued their winning ways, with a seven-wicket victory against Ruislip Village on Saturday. Ruislip elected to bat and struggled initially, but a hard-hitting 49 by Barratt and a lively 30 by Scears lifted them to 82-2. After they departed, Pete Kemp took 4-16, tearing the heart out of the much-vaunted middle order. And, with Bob Wood on 3-7, Ruislip collapsed to 110 all out. Bois started slowly and got bogged down. But, in an effort to catch up, they lost three vital wickets. But Jim Nokes, with a patient 40 not out, and Alan Lathwell — with a lively 46 not out - saw Bois home with two overs to spare.

### 2 June

CHALFONT ST GILES got the better of Chesham Bois, by 89 runs. St Giles batted first, making 159 all out. M. Alexander top-scored with 39 and Phil Raili taking 5-55. Chesham Bois, in reply, got off to an undistinguished start. They never recovered their composure, and were eventually all out for 70. John Saunders, on 24 not out, was their most consistent performer.

# Bucks Examiner Friday 7th June 1985

8 June Longwick C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Longwick

92 for 8

116 for 9

lingdon.

(R. Wood 4 for 9)

(R. Sawyer 25)

(A. Rolph 2 for 7)

(R. Cocker 23) (N. Rogerson 22)

40 over match

Chesham Bois won by 24 runs

9 June Chesham Bois C.C. v Bellingdon C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common 224 for 2 dec. 68 for 8

ALAN LATHWELL was

again the batting star for

Chesham Bois - in their

drawn encounter with Bel-

Lathwell's 106 not out included

14 fours and one six. He was

partnered by the equally prolific Bobby Garner, who managed 85

not out, during an unbeaten stand

(A. Lathwell 106 n.o.)

(R. Wood 3 for 22)

(R. Garner 85 n.o.)

(A. Lathwell 3 for 15) (K. Saigal 2 for 19)

Match Drawn

### 8 June

Chesham Bois beat Longwick by 34 runs on Saturday. Batting first, Bois totalled 116-9, mainly thanks to Richard Sawyer (26) and Rob Cocker (25).

Chasing a modest total, Longwick reached 43-1, because of some appalling fielding. But Bob Wood produced a spell of 4-9 and Andy Rolph took 2-7, which saw Longwick fold for 82.

# 9 June

Chesham Bois ended up with a total of 224-2. East took 1-41.

In reply, Bellingdon managed a meagre 68-8. Maurice top-scored with 18 and Wood took 3-23.

The visitors never looked like getting the runs and their only tactic was to hold out for a draw.

# Bucks Examiner Friday 14th June 1985

9 June Ashridge College C.C. v Chesham Bois 2<sup>nd</sup> XI played at Ashridge College

128 for 7 dec.

(N. Bunce 5 for 29)

(W. Slack 65)

(W. Slack 3 for 14)

(N. Rogerson 18) (J. Nokes 15)

Chesham Bois won by 49 runs

### The Chesham Bois team was:

J. Nokes, S. Cogdell, A. Rolph, N. Rogerson, W. Slack, R. Cocker, M. Leadbitter,

I. Gomm, P. Allard, C. Burke and N. Bunce.

15 June Chesham Bois C.C. v The Ravers C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common

137 for 8 dec.

124 for 7

(R. Beeson 22 n.o.) (R. Wood 4 for 49)

(A. Lathwell 21)

(R. Sawyer 2 for 46)

Match Drawn

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Chesham Bois drew with a
                                                    Chesham Bois
                       strong Ravers side on Saturday.
                                                     A. Lathwell
                       Batting first, Bois scored 138-8
                                                     M. Benson
                       with Bobby Beeson undefeated on
                                                     N. Rogerson
                        A quick opening stand of 40 in
                                                     R. Sawyer
                       even time by Alan Lathwell (21)
                                                     W. Slack
                       and Martin Benson (14) also did
                                                     R. Rance
                       wonders.
                         Ravers looked favourites to
                                                     R. Beeson
                       win, but tight bowling by Richard
                                                     R. Cocker
                       Sawyer, who took 2-46, and Bob
                                                     S. Cogdell
                       Wood, who managed 4-49, kept
                       them in check, enabling Ravers to
                                                     R. Wood
                       score only 121-7.
                                                     S. Rolph
                            Bucks Examiner Friday 21st June 1985
                                             Chesham Bois C.C. played at Great Kingshill
16 June Great Kingshill C.C.
               120 for 7
                                                175 for 3 dec.
        (J. Saunders 2 for 33)
                                               (A. Lathwell 80)
(R. Wood 2 for 6) (A. Lathwell 2 for 4) (P. Ralli 34) (J. Nokes 28)
                                             Match Drawn
22 June Chesham Bois C.C. v Dinton C.C.
                                                Cancelled/Rain
23 June Hawridge & Cholesbury C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. at Cholesbury Common
                      87
                                                    88 for 8
   (A. Lathwell 3 for 10) (R. Hearn 2 for 7)
                                                 (P. Ralli 34)
                                    Chesham Bois won by 2 wkts.
                      Hawridge and Cholesbury play-
                                                      Chesham Bois
                     ed host to Chesham Bois. Batting,
                                                       A. Lathwell
                     H&C made it only a matter of
                                                       K. Saigal
                     survival. They scrambled to 87
                                                       P. Ralli
                     runs, with Bois bowlers taking the
                                                       R. Garner
                     honours. Apart from the score of
                                                       R. Beeson
                     34, by Ralli, Bois too would have
                                                       J. Saunders
                     nose-dived on the wet wicket.
                     They did however get home with
                                                       R. Rance
                     just two wickets remaining.
                                                       John O'Brien
                      H&C 87, D. Chard 25 (A. Lath-
                                                       M. Caiden
                     well 3-10). Chesham Bois 88-8, P.
                                                       R. Wood
                    Ralli 34 (M. Salethorne 3-36),
                                                       R. Hearn
                            Bucks Examiner Friday 28th June 1985
29 June Coopers C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Berkhamsted
           90 for 6
                               111 for 8 dec.
    (R. Sawyer 3 for 37)
                               (W. Slack 34)
   (A. Lathwell 3 for 48)
                             (N. Rogerson 19)
                                             Match Drawn
The Chesham Bois team was:
M. Benson, A. Lathwell, N. Rogerson, W. Slack, R. Sawyer, A. Rolph, R. Cocker,
S. Cogdell, D. Crawford, R. Wood and S. Rolph.
30 June Chesham Bois C.C. v Chairman's XII played at Chesham Bois Common
           159 for 9 dec.
                                         94
       (A. Lathwell 73 n.o.) (K. Saigal 4 for 19)
                              (J. Saunders 3 for 13)
          (K. Saigal 33)
         (J. Saunders 15)
                                (R. Wood 2 for 17)
                                     45 over match and 12 a side
                                   Chesham Bois won by 65 runs.
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The 12-a-side, 45 over, annual friendly game between Chesham Bois and the Presidents' XII ended in a 65 run victory for Chèsham Bois.

Alan Lathwell was again the star of the show, with a splendid 73 not out. Chesham Bois raced to a satisfactory 159-9 off their alloted 45 overs.

The Presidents' XII never looked like scoring the runs, and five wickets fell with only 30 runs on the board. They were eventually all out for 94, with Ker Saigal taking 4-19 to see Chesham Bois home by 65 runs.

Chesham Bois 159-9 (Lathwell 73, Chambers 3-24), Presidents' XII 94 all out (Lester 29, K. Saigal 4-19).

Bucks Examiner Friday 5th July 1985

6 July Chesham Bois C.C.

v Longwick C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common

144 for 9 dec.

(A. Rolph 39)

(R. Sawyer 3 for 12)

(R. Cocker 23 n.o.)

(P. Kemp 3 for 23) (S. Rolph 2 for 18)

Chesham Bois won by 56 runs.

A total of 56 runs separated Chesham Bois and Longwick, with Bois the eventual victors. Batting first, Chesham Bois got off to a good start, thanks to a quick-fire 39 by Andy

He was helped by useful scores of 17 from Martin Benson, and a cavalier knock of 23 not out from Rod Cocker.

Longwick never looked like getting to the Bois total of 144 and were soon in plenty of trouble, thanks to some tight bowling from Richard Sawyer (3-12) and Pete Kemp (3-23). Only Robins, who had a good all-round match for Longwick, showed any class.

Chesham Bois 144-9 (Rolph 39, Robins 3-29), Longwick 88 all out (Robins 43, Sawyer 3-12).

# Bucks Examiner Friday 12th July 1985

7 July Chalfont St. Giles C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Chalfont St. Giles

187 for 5 dec.

148 for 8

(P. Ralli 4 for 48)

(A. Rance 41)

(A. Lathwell 39)

(J. Saunders 32)

13 July Chesham Bois C.C.

Match Drawn

158 for 8 dec.

Beaconsfield 3<sup>rd</sup> XI played at Chesham Bois Common

(A. Rolph 29)

(R. Wood 4 for 6)

(N. Rogerson 24) (R. Sawyer 24) (R. Sawyer 4 for 38) (P. Kemp 2 for 38)

Chesham Bois won by 61 runs.

The Chesham Bois team was:

A. Lathwell, A. Rolph, N. Rogerson, R. Sawyer, W. Slack, R. Beeson, D. Crawford,

R. Rance, P. Kemp, R. Wood and S. Rolph.

14 July The Lee C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at The Lee

184 for 5 dec.

(K. Saigal 3 for 28)

(S. Pittaway 43)

(J. Saunders 3 for 27)

(A. Lathwell 38) (K. Saigal 35) (P. Ralli 25)

Chesham Bois won by 83 runs.

The Chesham Bois team was:

K. Saigal, A. Lathwell, S. Pittaway, P. Ralli, R. Saunders, D. Watts, C. Walsh,

J. Saunders, M. Frankham, John O'Brien and R. Hearn.

13 July

14 July

Chesham Bois defeated a strong Beaconsfield XI by 60 runs on Saturday. Batting first. Bois scored briskly — thanks to Andy Rolph (29), Nigel Rogerson (24) and Richard Sawyton (22). A total of 22 extras also helped things along nicely, enabling Bois to emerge with a creditable 158-8.

In reply, Beaconsfield lost a wicket on the first ball of their innings. Their batting collapsed entirely following the demise of Pat Sharp (46). Wood ultimately put the skids under Beaconsfield tail enders, by taking 4-6.

Chesham Bois 158-8 declared (A. Rolph 29), Beaconsfield Select XI 97 (Sharp 46, Wood Chesham Bois, batting first, scored briskly

with K. Saigal (35), A. Lathwell (38), S. Pittaway (43) and P. Ralli all batting well to help Bois to their total of 185-5.

The Lee never attempted to score the runs. and were eventually all out for 101. J. Saunders (3-24), K. Saigal (3-28), both bowled well with M. Line top-scoring with 38.

Chesham Bois 184-5 (Pittaway 43; Collins 2-46), The Lee 101 (Line 38, Saunders 3-24).

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Bucks Examiner Friday 19th July 1985
                                         Buckingham 3<sup>rd</sup> XI played at Chesham Bois Common
14 July Chesham Bois 2<sup>nd</sup> XI v
                                                    75 for 6
(S. Rolph 19) (R. Gilbert 16 n.o.) (R. Wood 5 for 36)
             (R. Cocker 13)
                                        Buckingham 3<sup>rd</sup> XI won by 4 wkts.
The Chesham Bois team was:
A. Rolph, S. Cogdell, N. Rogerson, G. Rance, R. Cocker, R. Wood, R. Beeson, C. Burke, S.
Rolph, R. Gilbert and P. Allard.
20 July Ley Hill C.C.
                                  Chesham Bois C.C. played at Ley Hill
            83 for 5
(R. Wood 4 for 29) (N. Rogerson 31)
                                                       (A. Lathwell 59) (R. Saunders 24)
                                                  Match Drawn/Rain
21 July Chesham Bois C.C. v The Ravers C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common
                 86 for 9
                                       155 for 9 dec.
            (J. Nokes 34)
                                  (A. Lathwell 4 for 33)
        (M. Frankham 13)
                                   (R. Hearn 4 for 53)
                                                     Match Drawn
                          Match reports for 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> above on following page.
                      20 July
                                                                                  21 July
             On Saturday, the weather cur-
                                                                Chesham Bois held The Ravers
            tailed an evenly-contested match
                                                               to a draw. The Ravers, batting first, scored 155-9, with Harris
            against Chesham Bois. Alan Lath-
            well (59) and Nigel Rogerson (31)
                                                                top-scoring (34). The remainder of
            helped Bois to reach 156 at tea.
                                                               the side provided solid support.
Lathwell (4-33), and Hearn (4-53)
            Slow bowlers Richardson (4-64) and Lewis (3-26) did the damage.
                                                               bowled well.
            After a good start by Bowden and
May, Hill collapsed to 83-5, with
Wood taking 4-29 before the rain
                                                                 Bois got off to a disastrous start,
                                                               losing their first four wickets with
                                                               only 10 runs on the board.
            came down.
Chesham Bois 156 all out (Lath-
                                                                 Jim Noakes top-scored with 34
                                                                not out, to help Chesham Bois hang on for a draw at 86-9.
            well 59, Richardson 4-64), Ley Hill
                                                                The Ravers 155 (Harris 34, Lathwell 4-33), Chesham Bois 86-9
            83-5 (May 24, Woods 4-29);
                                                                (Nokes 34 no, Burnap 2-12).
                                  Bucks Examiner Friday 26th July 1985
27 July Seer Green C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Seer Green
                                     128 for 7 dec.
                6 for 3
       (R. Sawyer 2 for 0)
                                    (R. Sawyer 57)
28 July Ashridge College C.C. v Chesham Bois 2<sup>nd</sup> XI.
28 July Chesham Bois C.C. v Kodak C.C. 1st XI
3 Aug. Chesham Bois C.C. v Northchurch C.C.
4 Aug. Bellingdon C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C.
                                                  All Cancelled/Rain
10 Aug. Chesham Bois C.C. v Farnham Royal 3rd XI played at Chesham Bois Common
                                            136 for 7 dec.
                                       (P. Kemp 4 for 39)
            (A. Lathwell 30)
              (P. Kemp 26)
                                        (R. Wood 2 for 20)
                                                        Peter Kemp took 4-36 before
                   Inept fielding, on Saturday, led
                                                     Bois started their innings. Alan
                 to Chesham Bois's second defeat
                                                     Lathwell (30) and Andy Rolph
                of the summer against Farnham
                                                     (18) put on 40 for the first wicket.
                                                        But, with the score standing at
                   The Chesham Bois fielders
                                                     72-2, Bois collapsed to 90-7. Kemp
                 dropped a total of seven catches,
                                                     proceeded to smash a brisk 26, but
                 enabling Farnham Royal to pro-
                                                     Bois — in keeping with their
below par fielding — collapsed to
                duce a total of 136-7.
                                                     122 all out, going down by 14 runs.
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11 Aug. Little Missenden Misfits C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C.
                                            Cancelled/Rain
17 Aug. Haydon Hall C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Eastcote
                                     86 for 7
        (R. Hearn 5 for 22)
                                 (M. Benson 22)
        (W. Slack 2 for 21)
                               (W. Slack 19 n.o.)
                                     Chesham Bois won by 3 wkts.
                   CHESHAM BOIS comfortably
                                               McGregor top-scored with 44.
                                              In reply, Bois struggled to 86-7, with three batsmen getting ducks. Benson made 22 for Chesham
                   beat Haydon Hall by three wickets
                   on Saturday (writes Martyn
                   Pritchard).
                                              Bois.
                    Batting first, Haydon Hall were
                                                Haydon Hall 85 (McGregor 44,
                   dismissed for 85, mainly thanks to
                   excellent bowling by Hearn (5-22)
                                              Hearn 5-22), Chesham Bois 86-7
                   and Slack (2-21).
                                              (Benson 22).
                           Bucks Examiner Friday 23rd August 1985
18 Aug. Rickmansworth British Legion C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. at Rickmansworth
                        116 for 4
        (R. Hearn 2 for 21) (M. Caidan 1 for 9)
                                           Match Drawn/Rain
18 Aug. Chesham Bois 2<sup>nd</sup> XI v Cippenham 2<sup>nd</sup> XI played at Chesham Bois Common
                                         44 for 7
                   (P. Howell 3 for 1) (M. Rutland 2 for 3) (P. Humphreys 2 for 15)
                                           Match Drawn/Rain
The Chesham Bois team was:
A. Rolph, S. Rolph, S. Cogdell, C. Burke, P. Howell, M. Rutland, P. Allard,
P. Humphreys, C. Walsh, R. Cocker and G. Cronshaw.
24 Aug. Chesham Bois C.C. v Ley Hill C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common
             122 for 7 dec.
                                          89
          (A. Lathwell 45) (A. Lathwell 5 for 14)
           (R. Cocker 25)
                                (R. Hearn 4 for 26)
                                    Chesham Bois won by 33 runs.
            root ficturing and a disastrous
                                              May (24), Partington (23) and Wright (14) helped Ley Hill to
          batting collapse, on Saturday, led
          Ley Hill's downfall at Chesham
                                              79-3. But the next seven wickets
          Bois.
                                              then went down for just 10 runs.
            Batting first, Bois scored 122-7.
                                              Alan Lathwell realised 5-14.
          Lathwell (45) and Cocker (25)
                                                Chesham Bois 122-7 (Lathwell
          played well on a difficult wicket.
                                              45, Grainger 2-48), Ley Hill 89 all
                                              out (May, 24, Lathwell 5-14).
                           Bucks Examiner Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August 1985
25 Aug. Farnham Common C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Farnham Common
                 135 for 6
                                              134
          (J. Saunders 3 for 37)
                                       (A. Lathwell 28)
                                        (J. Saunders 25)
                                 (P. Ralli 22) (R. Garner 20)
                                  Farnham Common won by 4 wkts.
The Chesham Bois team was:
A. Lathwell, M. Caidan, S. Pittaway, R. Garner, P. Ralli, R. Saunders, J. Saunders,
K. Saigal, R. Hearn, P. Humphreys and John O'Brien.
26 Aug. Kodak C.C. (Harrow) v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Harrow
(Mon.)
              174 for 7 dec.
                                            90 for 9
           (M. Caidan 4 for 25)
                                       (R. Cocker 24)
        (P. Humphreys 2 for 37)
                                        (R. Wood 17)
                                         (R Beeson 12)
                                             Match Drawn
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The Chesham Bois team was:
R. Beeson, M. Benson, N. Rogerson, P. Ralli, R. Cocker, M. Caidan, R. Wood,
John O'Brien, R. Hearn, A. Hinks and P. Humphreys.
                                        The Wiltshire Tour
31 Aug. Poulshot C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Poulshot
         148 for 3 dec.
     (W. Slack 1 for 13)
                             (S. Pittaway 33)
     (P. Allard 1 for 32) (M. Wheeler 1 for 48)
                                      Poulshot won by 66 runs.
The Chesham Bois team was:
A. Lathwell, S. Cogdell, S. Pittaway, A. Rolph, P. Allard, W. Slack, M. Wheeler,
R. Cocker, John O'Brien, R. Hearn and N. Bunce.
1 Sept. Urchfont C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Urchfont
             174
                                     105
     (W. Slack 7 for 43)
                             (M. Wheeler 19)
     (R. Hearn 3 for 20)
                              (M. Caidan 16)
                                      Urchfont won by 69 runs.
A. Lathwell, S. Cogdell, S. Pittaway, A. Rolph, R. Beeson, W. Slack, M. Wheeler,
R. Cocker, John O'Brien, R. Hearn and N. Bunce.
1 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v The Lee C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common
           110 for 8 dec.
                                        32
         (N. Rogerson 48)
                               (R. Sawyer 3 for 9)
          (J. Saunders 23)
                                (R. Wood 3 for 6)
                                 (P. Ralli 2 for 2)
                                   Chesham Bois won by 78 runs.
                                    Chesham Bois outgunned The Lee by 78
                                   runs. Bois clocked up 110-8, with Rogerson
                                   on 48 and Moseley 3-19.
                                   The Lee slumped to a disappointing 32.
Recklik top-scored with eight, and Wood took
                                     Chesham Bois 110-8 (Rogerson, Moseley
                                   3-19), The Lee 32 all out (Reklik 8, Wood 3-6).
                         Bucks Examiner Friday 6th September 1985
7 Sept. Penn Street C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Penn Street
            74 for 7
                                  136 for 8 dec.
      (R. Wood 2 for 5)
                               (N. Rogerson 41)
      (P. Kemp 2 for 27)
                                             Match Drawn
8 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v
                                   Sarratt C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common
              58 for 8
                                       118
      (A. Lathwell 12 n.o.) (A. Lathwell 4 for 17)
         (R. Garner 13)
                              (R. Wood 3 for 17)
                                             Match Drawn
                  7 September
                                                                  8 September
                                                  Bois drew their home game against Sarratt.
      Penn Street and Chesham Bois also drew.
                                                Sarratt 118 all out (Waterfield 54, Lathwell
     Chesham Bois 136-8 declared (Rogerson 41, Ward 5-48), Penn Street 74-7 wickets
                                                4-17), Chesham Bois 58-9 (Garner 13, Dracott
                                                4-19).
    (Coombes 23, Wood 2-4).
                        Bucks Examiner Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 1985
14 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v Rickmansworth British Legion C.C. at Bois Common
                                               63 for 8
                               (P. Kemp 6 for 28) (A. Lathwell 2 for 6)
           (D. Plested 12)
                                             Match Drawn
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Chesham Bois drew with Rickmansworth, British Legion in a remarkable game. Bois, batting first, collapsed to 34-7, but struggled on to 68 all out.

Rickmansworth got to 21 without loss, but a great spell of bowling by Peter Kemp reduced them to 61-8 by the close.

# Bucks Examiner Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 1985

15 Sept. Westcott C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Westcott

171 for 9 175 for 8 dec.

(D. Oxley 5 for 73) (A. Lathwell 48) (J. Saunders 2 for 41) (J. Saunders 26)

(S. Pittaway 25)

40 overs a side match

Chesham Bois won by 4 runs.

15 Sept. Chesham Bois 2<sup>nd XI</sup> v Bourne End C.C. (Wycombe) at Chesham Bois Common

96 97 for 6

(N. Rogerson 38) (J. Rance 3 for 37)

Bourne End won by 4 wkts.

21 Sept. West Wycombe C.C. v Chesham Bois C.C. played at West Wycombe

50 for 8 165 for 4 dec.

(R. Sawyer 3 for 7) (R. Garner 75)

(C. Walsh 3 for 4) (R. Hearn 50 n.o.)

(P. Kemp 2 for 11) (N. Rogerson 23)

Match Drawn

22 Sept. Kimble 2<sup>nd XI</sup> v Chesham Bois C.C. played at Kimble

79 80 for 6

(D. Oxley 4 for 25) (R. Garner 53 n.o.)

(A. Lathwell 2 for 11)

(J. Saunders 2 for 28)

Chesham Bois won by 4 wkts.

## 21 September

West Wycombe, reaching 165-3. Bob Guinel scored a brilliant 75, and Rodney Hearn a confident 50 not out.

In reply, Wycombe collapsed to 28-8, but a dogged ninth-wicket stand saw them to a

22 September

Kimble, batting first against Chesham Bois. found themselves in early trouble, losing their first wicket without a run on the board. They were contually all out for 79, with Dave Oxley taking 4-25 from 10 overs, and John Saunders 2-28 Chesham Bois struggled early on, but an undefeated 53 from Bobby Garner saw them to victory with four wickets to spare.

# Bucks Examiner Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 1985

28 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v Haydon Hall C.C. played at Chesham Bois Common

154 for 7 dec.

(M. Benson 48) (A. Lathwell 3 for 7)

(R. Cocker 39) (R. Sawyer 3 for 23)

(N. Rogerson 28) (R. Hearn 2 for 15)

Chesham Bois won by 65 runs.

The Chesham Bois team was:

N. Rogerson, M. Benson, R, Garner, R, Cocker, R. Hearn, A. Lathwell, R. Sawyer,

A, Rolph, R. Beeson, P. Kemp and D. Crawford.

29 Sept. Chesham Bois C.C. v Hawridge & Cholesbury C.C. at Chesham Bois Common

90 for 5

(P. Ralli 48 n.o.)

(D. Oxley 3 for 38)

(R. Garner 18) (P. Ralli 3 for 10) (M. Caidan 2 for 4)

Chesham Bois won by 5 wkts.

The Chesham Bois team was:

K. Saigal, A. Lathwell, S. Pittaway, M. Caidan, R. Garner, P. Ralli, M. Frankham,

J. Saunders, I. Dorton, R. Hearn and D. Oxley.

### 28 September

CHESHAM BOIS completed two fine victories over the last week-end of their season. On Saturday against Haydon Hall they won by 65 runs after their first three batsmen Rogerson, Benson and Cocker hit fine knocks to enable the Bois to declare on 154-7.

The bowlers then got to work, and with Sawyer and Lathwell taking 3-23 and 3-7 respectively Haydon Hall were all out for 89.

CHESHAM BOIS 154-7 (Rogerson 28, Benson 48, Cocker 39). Haydon Hall 89 all out (Sawyer 3-23, Lathwell 3-7).

### 29 September

Phil Raili was the Chesham Bois star on Sunday. After taking 3-10 off 14 overs to dismiss Hawridge and Cholesbury for 84 he went on to score a hard hitting 48 not out to help knock the runs off for five wickets after Bois themselves were in trouble at 20 for 4.

Hawridge and Cholesbury 84 all out (P. Clifford 22, Oxley 3-38, Ralli 3-10, Caiden 2-4). Chesham Bois 90-5 (Ralli 48 no, Ayres 3-17).

# Bucks Examiner Friday 4th October 1985

6 Oct. Chesham Bois C.C. v Bowyers XII played at Chesham Bois Common

150 for 7 dec.

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(R. Wood 75)

(C. Walsh 2 for 10)

(N. Rogerson 23)

(R. Hearn 2 for 16)

(R. Cocker 20) (P. Humphreys 2 for 29)

12 a side match

Chesham Bois won by 39 runs.

The Chesham Bois team was:

S. Rolph, R. Wood, N. Rogerson, R. Garner, M. Frankham, A. Lathwell, R. Hearn,

R. Cocker, R. Beeson, C. Walsh, P. Humphreys and N. Bunce.

Averages 1985

	BATTING					BOWLING						
	No.	NOT		HIGHEST					-			
NAME	INNING	OUT	RUNS	SORE	aygrage	OVERS	MAIDENS	RUMS	WKTS.	AVERAGE	catches	JUMPH
R. BEESON.	23	6	145	22	8.53	10	1	25		25.00	5	
M. BENSON.	13	-	146	48	11.23	2	-	24	-	_	4	
N. BUNCE.	2	-	2	2	1.00	44.4	13	115	8	14:37		
S. BURKE.			Ā	4*	-		2	25	-	-	_	
M. CAIDAN.	9	-	96	43	10.67	38-1	11	25 95	7	13.57	-	
R. COCKER	2	2	260	39	13.79	0.4	_			1.00	12	
S. COGDELL.	16	2	187	102*	13.36	-	-	-	-	-		
D. CRAWFORD,	7	-	33	14	9.17	-	-	-	-	-	7	
I. DORTON,	12	-	19-	19	3.80	-	•	•	-	•	6	
M. FRANKHAM.	12	-	75	13	6.25	5.4	-	13		13.00	6	
R. GARNER	15	2	334	85*	25.69	7		30	-	-	11	
I. GOMM.	2	1		1*	1.00	-			-		_	
R. HEARN.	20	12	143	50*		160.3	27	493	35	14.09	15	
P. HUMPHREYS.	10	5	16	6	3.20	44	4	153	7	21.86	2	
P. KEMP	9	T	62	26	7.75	199.4	55	363	39	21.86	3	
A. LATHWELL.	34	5	855	106*	29.48	194	51	516	56	9.21	14	
J. O'BRIEN.		2	17	10	1.89	-	-	-			5	
D. Oxley.	-	-	-	-	-	36.4	4	136	12	11.33	2	
J. Nokes.	7	3	155	40*		•	-	-	1	-	2	
S. PITTAWAY.	10	-	141	43	14.10		-	-	-		2	
D. PLESTED.		-	12	12	12.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	
P. RALLI.	16	2	238	48*	17.00	132.3	34	359	23	15.61	6	-
R.RANCE.	7	-	38	13	5.43	-	-	-		·	5	
N. ROGGESON.	26		481	48*	19.24	3	.2	5		5.00	11	
S, ROLPH.	8	3	41	19	8.20	61.5		199	3	24.87	5	
A. ROLPH.	17 3		139	39	8.18	23	14	64	2	21.33	5	
M. RUTLAND.	13		100	36	0.33	8	6		9	10.00	4	<del> </del>
K. SAIGHL	13	4	128	35	9.85	28	37	90	23	18:39	4	<del> </del>
J. SAUNDERS.	8	7	81	29*	13.50	137.6	3/	423	-	10.01	3	2
R. SAUNDERS. R. SAWYER.	16	5	286	57*		180.3		367	29	12.66	4	
W. SLACK	15	1	180	65	12.86	66	7	212	17	12.47	2	
C. WALSH.	6		17	8	3.40	13	3	14	5	2.80	-	
R.WOOD.	17	8	205	75	22.78			462	49	9.43	4	
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SO BATTED;-									1	-		
A.HNKS.		-	3	3	3.00	11		41	1 1	41.00	2	
S BURBRIDGE.	1		0	0		-		-	-		-	1
P. WHITE.	1		11	111	11.00		1-	-		10 00		
J. RANCE.			18	18	18.00	15	2	37	3	12.33		
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P. ALLARD. D. VINGALL	2 2		21	17	10.50	- 18	4	01		32		-
				6	7.00		+	111	1		2	
C. BURKE. P. HOWELL.	2		7	-	7.00	3.	2	+ +	3	0.33	1 -	1
M. BOTELL			0	0	-	1 -		-	1	-	1.	
R.BOTELL	1		12	12	12.00	-	-	-	-	-	1 -	
R. LESTER	1	•	4	4	4.00	17.3	5	32	1	32.00		
G.RANCE	1		3	3	3.00	Second Commence	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	-	-	-	-	
M. LEADBITTER			11	117#	=	5	2	19	1 1	19.00	-	
R.GILBERT	2	2	17	16*	_	_	+=	-	-	-	-	1
M.WHEELER	2		22	19	11.00	29	6	100		100.00	-	1
D. WATTS.	1	_	0	0	-	-		-	-			
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Scorebooks were available for this season.

# THE PASSING SEASONS

# BY MR. SYDNEY ROLPH PLAYER 1972-1992

WRITTEN 1985



# Syd Rolph Pictured in 1984

When the idea of the club's history book was born we were, as usual, sitting in the pavilion at the Bois common having mowed, rolled and marked out the wickets for the forth coming weekend games. It being too dark to do anything else we were resting. As usual on these occasions the talk was about cricket and as usual the old term "Do you remember when or whom" was used.

I promised Jim Nokes and Bob Wood that, one day, I would write my memoirs and despite a sizeable bribe not to do so I have decided to press ahead.

My cricketing career started in the services in our units Garrison League side. I was never allowed to bat if possible and certainly never allowed to bowl, a state of affairs which should have been maintained according to some of the clubs "wags", but I was quite good in the field, running out the garrison commander by yards in the Garrison Cup Final (20 overs), before the Colonel had faced a ball! He certainly remembered me, as later in the year, on the Garrison Parade, he spent about half an hour looking me over before clocking me for a dirty cap badge, the swine.

After the services I moved to Somerset and encountered my first Vicar cricketer. There is something about vicars playing cricket which seems to send them berserk, I suppose it is the transformation from wearing black all the time to white. However, when the neighbouring village's fast bowler removed his hat with a bouncer the language was shocking, even by navies standards.

From Somerset I moved to Ley Hill where I met the local idol, Stan Channer, who certainly hit the ball miles and swung the ball appreciably, as Trevor Bailey would say. About this time a certain vicar, Ernie Scrivens, was playing for Ley Hill in the Chesham League. He was another vicar who went "funny" when playing cricket and he certainly got into plenty of scrapes. The league was kindly sponsored by George Brazil of the famous sausage family and later by his brother John, who became President of Amersham Cricket Club.

Courting a Bellingdon girl I was persuaded to play for the local side. Their side consisted of the Norwood brothers, Ken and Maurice, Harold Dwight (whose idea of pitch preparation was to throw a bucket of "Growmore" all over it in April), Jim Nokes and Bob Wood's dad "Horrie", who was the

wicket keeper for many years. He loved his cricket and kept wicket to me better than anyone else in my playing career. Brian How and his dad Jack were also big stalwarts of the club.

Due to internal politics I left them to join the boys at "the Bois". It took me some time to settle in and to appreciate their style, so to speak. I well remember seeing my old friend Ian Gomm batting for the first time. I have never seen a fielding side have so many slip and gully fielders in my life, but he still found the gaps, either through or over them.

After a few years I was allowed to captain the Sunday side and thus came about the famous "Bois story" which no history book would be complete without. We arranged an away game with a team from the Southall area and departed with a good batting side, but not a lot of bowling. On the way over I was "persuaded", against my better judgement (liar), to reverse the batting order, usually batting at eleven I was overjoyed. We arrived on time, municipal ground, pavilion one end, pitch three quarters of a mile away at the other end. Met Rajan their Pakistani captain and tossed up. We will bat I said. I padded up along with my opening partner and we strode out to the crease. The bowler, I think, was a cross between the "Incredible Hulk" and "Mandingo". He certainly was West Indian, however, and from past encounters with this race one I certainly respected. tossing the ball from hand to hand like a marble, placing his field with Rajan, the skipper, and then started to walk back. Good God I thought, he's not playing, he's going home! Where upon he turned and hurtled in, castling me neck and crop first ball. Rajan reckoned I was "the best bat they've got" in his congratulations to the bowler, how he knew I'll never know as we had never played them before. Mandingo's grin was so broad I thought the blighter was going to eat me as well. I turned back to the boundary to see the rest of the side struggling over with the kit the score book hadn't even been started yet. Andy Hinks passed me on the way out to bat, he looked determined or sick, I wasn't sure which, but by his comments I made a mental note not to count on his vote for skipper at the A.G.M.

About four balls later this was confirmed as he was castled by Mandingo.

I lay on the grass having a fretful nap, thinking about the folly of skippering, but every four balls or so a nerve shattering "Howzat" would rent the air and that sinking feeling would return.

Mandingo was taken off with figures of 10 overs 9 maidens and 2 wickets for 1 run and we really set about them with the bat, so much so that at about 3.30 I went out to umpire at square leg. Rajan, fielding at square leg, asked "First season as skipper Syd", yes I said.

"Don't think I'm interfering Syd", he said, "But I think you should reverse your batting order".

"We already have", I replied, falling about laughing.

Eventually we amassed a useful total and using nine bowlers, each of whom took a wicket, we won with ease.

It is because of stories such as this and the exploits of all club members that this history book has been compiled.

During my time cricketing I have played against Vicars, a one armed chap and even one with a wooden leg

I am often asked, "What makes grown men dress up in white every May to go and chase a leather ball around a cricket pitch".

What is the attraction of cricket?

There are many cricket teams around, but are they clubs in the true sense of the word?

It may sound boastful on our part, but I believe we have made tremendous strides in the last few years to make ours a happy and reasonably successful club.

When my dear friend Rod Hearn and I played for Bellingdon we always thought the "Bois clique" rather snooty and superior, so consequently we tried three times as hard to take them to the cleaners. Strange to think we should both end up playing for them.

In all my years at the club only one thing has ever annoyed me and that was four or five years ago at the A.G.M. when, after I reluctantly accepted five or six jobs, some wag commented "Is this Syd Rolph's cricket club". I hope it is not, nor ever will be. The club is always greater than any one person.

I do spend many long hours working for the club and my wife Janet and daughter Alison also do a great amount. It is only worthwhile to us because of the wonderful attitude and comradeship you all show.

I am deeply grateful for the help I receive from the clubs "Elders", Mr. Gomm, Mr. Frankham, Mr. Wood and Mr. Bunce, but especially from the "Scribes", Bob Beeson (Secretary), Dave Plested (Fixture Secretary), Don Crawford(Treasurer / Book Cooker). Every time I walk around the boundary it is nice to look at all my friends and know they will do their best for me, no matter what I ask.

It is at this time that I do indeed ask for your help. The committee and I desperately want to get the pavilion extension built so we can become more of a club and have a lovely clubhouse.

A cricket club is rather like a river. It starts with rosy faced 14 year olds with a new bat playing their first game for the men, probably with dads old boots rescued from the garden shed. Then we have the full flow, guys who get the runs and wickets, plus the older tubbier types who play for the shear love of the game. Around the boundary you will often find lots of budding "Boycott's" with their bats waving around.

All too often for us recently the river has gone under the bridge which divides this life from the next. In recent years we have mourned Eddie Greenham who built our pavilion, Len Hammond who was a trusted member of the club, Aggy and Pauline Agathangelou who both worked hard for the club. Aggy, almost with his bare hands, cleared the pavilion end of tree stumps and spent hours working on the ground.

Hardly had we recovered from these loses before we had to mourn John Plested. John was a very dedicated batsman and very conscientious club member who always worked hard for the club, was very well respected and his captaincy much appreciated.

In lesser clubs than ours such losses would weaken the resolve to go on, but you and I know that all these past members would wish us to do so. I hope when the new extension is completed we will have a plaque in memory of them all.

We are also fortunate in the quality of friendship generated in our matches by our opposition, most of whom have played us for many years.

How thankful I am that in line with our wish to be successful in all things we have started our club history book. It is into such a book our appreciation of all our deceased members must go, never to be forgotten.

Just one more point before closing. Behind every good club there is usually a band of willing ladies and I would especially like to remember here my wife Janet, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. King, Mrs. Dwight (Bellingdon), Cloe Short (Central Northwood), Molly Frankham, Gillian Crawford and many others who are not forgotten, many thanks to you all.













MATCH ACTION ON CHESHAM BOIS COMMON IN THE MID 1980'S