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Derbyshire v Middlesex at Lord's 7-10 April 2022

Day One Report



Suranga Lakmal

Stephen Eskinazi's stylish century propelled Middlesex into a strong position against a depleted Derbyshire attack on the opening day of the LV= Insurance County Championship.

Eskinazi struck an accomplished knock of 118 – his eighth Championship hundred and his first at Lord's in five years – as he and teenage opener Josh de Caires shared a second-wicket stand of 186.

De Caires, the 19-year-old son of former England captain Michael Atherton, registered his maiden first-class half-century in an innings of 80 that helped to lay the foundations for the home side to post 307 for four.

It was a difficult day for Billy Godleman's team, who opted to put Middlesex in but quickly lost the services of on-loan seamer Ryan Sidebottom, pulling up with a suspected hamstring problem just 1.1 overs into his Derbyshire debut.

Mark Stoneman got Middlesex's campaign off to a positive start after Godleman had invited them to bat, clipping Sam Conners' opening delivery firmly to the square-leg boundary.

However, the left-hander was first to depart, with Derbyshire's two overseas players combining to remove him for 12 in the fourth over as Shan Masood dived forward at midwicket to hold a catch off Suranga Lakmal.

The Seaxes' second-wicket pair dug in, with Eskinazi quick to punish loose bowling and displaying excellent timing and placement – exemplified by a sweet straight drive to the boundary off Anuj Dal to raise the 50 partnership.

There was a let-off for De Caires on 21, when he carved a widish delivery from Conners to point, but the ball whistled through Dal's fingers and Derbyshire's four remaining bowlers continued to toil after lunch.

Eskinazi brought up his half-century from 80 balls in the first over of the afternoon session, while his junior partner took a little longer to reach that landmark but did so in style, cutting Lakmal off the back foot for four.

De Caires' watchful style took his stay at the crease beyond four hours before Conners tempted him outside off stump and Brooke Guest gratefully snapped up the opportunity to end the partnership prior to tea.

Lakmal claimed his second wicket when Eskinazi's outside edge carried to Wayne Madsen at slip, but Robbie White and Max Holden maintained Middlesex's momentum, joining forces in a stand of 58.

Holden (35) looked well set, only to perish reverse sweeping off-spinner Alex Thomson, but White (40 not out) and Jack Davies ensured a third batting point was safely secured before stumps.

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Day Two Report



Shan Masood

Day two of the LV= Insurance County Championship match between Middlesex and Derbyshire confirmed there are in fact three certainties in life – death, taxes and Tim Murtagh taking wickets from the Nursery End at Lord's.

At 3:36pm on an increasingly sunny spring afternoon the Seaxes' acting skipper thudded a ball into Billy Godleman's off-stump via an inside-edge to claim the 900th first-class wicket of his career some 7961 days after snaring his first in the year 2000 when current teammate Josh De Caires wasn't even a twinkle in the eye of his father and former England captain Michael Atherton.

Murtagh's historic achievement though shouldn't overshadow Shan Masood's 91 for Derbyshire, comfortably the highest-ever score by a debutant for the county against Middlesex at Lord's. His 220-minute vigil allowed the visitors to reply with 177-4 after bowling out the hosts for 401 on the stroke of lunch, Alex Thomson returning 4-103 his best figures in County Championship cricket.

Middlesex resumed on 307-4 with eyes on a fourth batting point ahead of the 110-over cut-off. What looked straightforward became a fraught chase as first Jack Davies lost his off-stump to Anuj Dal before Thomson struck twice in three balls in the 110th over to see off John Simpson and Toby Roland-Jones.

The precious point was only secured when Robbie White sent the final ball of the over to the mid-wicket fence. He perished soon afterwards for 65 and it needed a few meaty blows from Tom Helm in an unbeaten 30 to lift Middlesex beyond 400 in the first innings at Lords for the first time since September 2018.

Post-lunch all eyes were on Murtagh and that pending 900th victim. We thought Masood was that man when a typical in-swing rapped him on the pad, but the umpire remained unmoved to keep celebrations on ice.

Godleman, formerly of this parish, posted a landmark of 1000 runs at Lord's when he reached eight, but the former teammate of Murtagh in the late noughties would later play the role of walk-on part in the veteran seamer's historic moment.

Meanwhile, Masood forged on. The Pakistan Test opener was born in Kuwait, but raised in Lincolnshire and has graduated from both Durham and Loughborough Universities. Perhaps that explains why he felt so at home inside the Grace gates.

A sumptuous square drive took him passed 50 and at 58 he surpassed the previous highest score made by a Derbyshire debutant at Lord's, Chesney Hughes' 57 back in 2010.

He survived a testing spell from Tom Helm after tea and looked poised for a century when Murtagh, in search of a breakthrough, threw the ball to spinner De Caires, who lured him down the track with one he held back, and Simpson whipped off the bails to send him packing for 91. It marked the youngster's debut wicket in first-class cricket.

Wayne Madsen survived one huge shout for lbw only to be pinned in front by Ethan Bamber late on to leave the hosts in the ascendancy ahead of day three.

Derbyshire v Middlesex at Lord's 7-10 April 2022

Day Three Report



Tom Helm's two wickets in successive balls sparked a Derbyshire collapse to bolster Middlesex's hopes of a win on day three of their LV = Insurance County Championship clash with Derbyshire at Lord's.

With the visitors 304-6 in mid-afternoon chasing Middlesex's first innings tally of 401, Helm trapped Dal lbw for 52, ending a stand of 86 for the sixth wicket with Alex Thomson. Next ball Sam Conners was sent on his way for a golden duck after missing a Yorker and with fellow seamer Toby Roland-Jones taking two in three balls in the next over, including Thomson for 45, one shy of his career-best, Middlesex had taken 4-0 in nine balls.

Dal and Thomson kept up their impressive games with a wicket apiece after Middlesex went in a second time, but Max Holden struck a rapid 68 not out sharing an unbroken fourth wicket stand of 141 with Robbie White (79 not out), his second half century of the game to leave the hosts 298 to the good with a day to go.

Helm, soon to turn 28, has been on England's white-ball radar for a number of years, taking part in training nets as recently as last season. Former England seamer Geoff Arnold has watched the Buckinghamshire-born seamer a number of times and is known to be a fan, yet injuries and losses of form as well as competition for places has meant he is still shy of 100 first-class wickets.

Skipper Tim Murtagh had singled Helm out as the host's best bowler 24 hours earlier and he was belatedly to reap the rewards his stints had deserved, making his double strike at a time when Dal and Thomson appeared untroubled on a slow low, benign pitch reminiscent of those in the late noughties early 2010s here at the home of cricket. His final return of 3-52 was the least he deserved for his 25 overs of hard yakka.

When Josh De Caires, having survived a huge lbw shout first ball was bowled by Conners four balls into Middlesex's second innings, five wickets had tumbled without a run being scored.

Despite the early setback, Mark Stoneman and first-innings centurion Stephen Eskinazi signalled the intent for quick runs, running hard to turn two into an unlikely three, while the former hooked Lakmal into the grandstand for six.

Again, it was Dal and Thomson who briefly checked the host's progress, Dal trapping Eskinazi lbw, while Thomson induced a rush of blood from Stoneman, whose ugly cross-batted swipe saw him caught by Conners.

Holden though came out bristling with intent. The former England Lion suggested at the back end of last season he was emerging from three lean years and there were plenty of signs of that resurgence here as he raced to 50 at almost a run a ball, hoisting Thomson into the grandstand in the process.

White, who'd been promoted ahead of Holden after his 65 in the first innings, began more circumspectly, but caught the mood, twice clearing the ropes himself in another polished effort, underlining his big leap forward over the last 18 months.

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Day Four Report



Wayne Madsen & Brooke Guest

Tom Helm's late flurry of wickets was not enough to force a Middlesex victory as Derbyshire held on to draw their LV= Insurance County Championship opener.

Helm struck three times in 19 balls to give the Seaxes the upper hand after half-centuries by Shan Masood (62) and Wayne Madsen (54) had threatened to secure the visitors' first Lord's success in 20 years.

Pursuing a target of 356 from 88 overs, Derbyshire reached 197 for two just after tea – but Helm's fiery spell forced them to abandon hopes of victory.

Middlesex's bowlers – minus skipper Tim Murtagh, who pulled up injured early on in the chase – pressed hard, but were unable to make further inroads as Leus du Plooy and Anuj Dal dug in to steer their side to safety at 255 for five.

The home side extended their second innings by just six overs in the morning, with not-out batters Robbie White (81) and Max Holden (82) both falling to Sam Connors in pursuit of quick runs.

Another 57 were added, largely thanks to some clean striking by John Simpson (23 not out) and Toby Roland-Jones (17no) before Murtagh waved them in at 258 for five.

However, Murtagh himself was soon back in the pavilion after pulling up in the ninth over and Masood settled into the groove, dominating his partnership of 81 with Billy Godleman as Middlesex searched in vain for a breakthrough.

That finally arrived in the third over after lunch as Ethan Bamber – having already beaten the bat several times – persuaded Masood to flick on the leg side and Simpson took a diving catch.

Godleman briefly took up the baton with a couple of boundaries off Bamber, but the skipper (38) then attempted to cut the first ball of Roland-Jones' second spell and was caught in the slips.

After a slow start, Madsen began to go for his shots, employing the reverse sweep to good effect against spinner Josh de Caires and reaching his half-century just after tea with a crisp straight drive for four off Roland-Jones.

But Helm raised Middlesex's hopes with a trio of wickets, including those of Madsen who was leg before and Brooke Guest (43), smartly taken by Stephen Eskinazi at first slip after the pair had shared a stand of 91.

That left Derbyshire to survive 27 more overs and – although Dal got away with a loose shot that narrowly eluded Helm at deep square leg – handshakes were exchanged with five of those still unbowled.

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Scorecard



Middlesex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Middlesex 2nd Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
MD Stoneman	c Khan b Lakmal	12	18	16	<u>1</u>	0		
JM de Caires	c Guest b Connors	80	163	243	<u>10</u>	0		
SS Eskinazi	c Madsen b Lakmal	118	216	265	<u>16</u>	0		
RG White	c Guest b Connors	65	157	249	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
MDE Holden	c Connors b Thomson	35	74	83	<u>4</u>	0		
JLB Davies	b Dal	25	55	69	<u>3</u>	0		
JA Simpson†	c Guest b Thomson	14	12	12	0	<u>1</u>		
TS Roland-Jones	c Madsen b Thomson	0	2	2	0	0		
TG Helm	not out	30	44	63	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
ER Bamber	c Guest b Connors	7	12	15	0	0		
TJ Murtagh*	lbw b Thomson	0	4	5	0	0		
Extras	(lb 1, nb 14)	15						
Total	for <u>10 wickets</u> in 125 overs	401	757	514	<u>38</u>	<u>3</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Connors	33	2	104	<u>3</u>	3.15	0	0	
RAS Lakmal	31	3	100	<u>2</u>	3.23	0	6	
RN Sidebottom	1.1	0	10	0	8.57	0	0	
AT Thomson	32.5	4	103	<u>4</u>	3.14	0	0	
AK Dal	25	4	79	<u>1</u>	3.16	0	1	
JL du Plooy	2	0	4	0	2.00	0	0	
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-13 (MD Stoneman, 3.4 ov), 2-199 (JM de Caires, 60.1 ov), 3-227 (SS Eskinazi, 69.2 ov), 4-285 (MDE Holden, 89.3 ov), 5-332 (JLB Davies, 106.5 ov), 6-347 (JA Simpson, 109.3 ov), 7-347 (TS Roland-Jones, 109.5 ov), 8-380 (RG White, 119.6 ov), 9-400 (ER Bamber, 123.5 ov), 10-401 (TJ Murtagh, 124.6 ov)								

Middlesex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Middlesex 2nd Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood	<u>st Simpson b de Caires</u>	91	152	221	<u>11</u>	0		
BA Godleman*	<u>b Murtagh</u>	23	84	114	<u>2</u>	0		
BD Guest†	<u>c White b Helm</u>	2	38	42	0	0		
WL Madsen	<u>lbw b Bamber</u>	34	77	92	<u>4</u>	0		
JL du Plooy	<u>c White b Murtagh</u>	28	66	117	<u>3</u>	0		
LM Reece	<u>lbw b Bamber</u>	20	48	52	<u>4</u>	0		
AK Dal	<u>lbw b Helm</u>	52	129	161	<u>4</u>	0		
AT Thomson	<u>c Simpson b Roland-Jones</u>	45	103	132	<u>5</u>	0		
S Connors	<u>lbw b Helm</u>	0	1	2	0	0		
RAS Lakmal	not out	0	3	8	0	0		
RN Sidebottom	<u>c Davies b Roland-Jones</u>	0	2	2	0	0		
Extras	(lb 3, nb 6)	9						
Total	for 10 wickets in 116.4 overs	304	703	474	33	0		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
TJ Murtagh		26	5	48	<u>2</u>	1.85	0	0
ER Bamber		24	5	63	<u>2</u>	2.63	0	1
TG Helm		25	6	52	<u>3</u>	2.08	0	0
TS Roland-Jones		24.4	6	81	<u>2</u>	3.28	0	2
JM de Caires		16	0	49	<u>1</u>	3.06	0	0
MD Stoneman		1	0	8	0	8.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-65 (BA Godleman, 28.2 ov), 2-93 (BD Guest, 38.3 ov), 3-141 (S Masood, 53.4 ov), 4-162 (WL Madsen, 61.1 ov), 5-200 (LM Reece, 73.4 ov), 6-218 (JL du Plooy, 82.3 ov), 7-304 (AK Dal, 115.2 ov), 8-304 (S Connors, 115.3 ov), 9-304 (AT Thomson, 116.2 ov), 10-304 (RN Sidebottom, 116.4 ov)								

Middlesex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Middlesex 2nd Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
JM de Caires	<u>b Connors</u>	0	4	2	0	0		
MD Stoneman	<u>c Connors b Thomson</u>	34	49	74	4	1		
SS Eskinazi	<u>lbw b Dal</u>	15	42	57	0	0		
RG White	<u>c Reece b Connors</u>	81	96	131	5	2		
MDE Holden	<u>lbw b Connors</u>	82	91	126	7	1		
JA Simpson†	not out	23	12	20	0	2		
TS Roland-Jones	not out	17	8	10	3	0		
JLB Davies								
TG Helm								
ER Bamber								
TJ Murtagh*								
Extras	(b 1, lb 1, nb 4)	6						
Total	for <u>5 wickets</u> dec in 50 overs	258	302	211	19	6		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Connors		12	1	61	3	5.08	0	0
RAS Lakmal		13	1	62	0	4.77	0	2
AT Thomson		12	0	53	1	4.42	0	0
AK Dal		9	1	52	1	5.78	0	0
WL Madsen		3	0	17	0	5.67	0	0
JL du Plooy		1	0	11	0	11.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-0 (JM de Caires, 0.4 ov), 2-50 (SS Eskinazi, 14.2 ov), 3-60 (MD Stoneman, 17.5 ov), 4-209 (RG White, 45.2 ov), 5-224 (MDE Holden, 47.5 ov)								

Middlesex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Middlesex 2nd Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood	<u>c Simpson b Bamber</u>	62	68	99	<u>9</u>	0		
BA Godleman*	<u>c Eskinazi b Roland-Jones</u>	38	96	134	<u>4</u>	0		
BD Guest†	<u>c Eskinazi b Helm</u>	43	93	140	<u>5</u>	0		
WL Madsen	<u>lbw b Helm</u>	54	72	93	<u>7</u>	0		
JL du Plooy	not out	23	87	111	<u>1</u>	0		
LM Reece	<u>c Simpson b Helm</u>	2	10	17	0	0		
AK Dal	not out	24	72	82	<u>3</u>	0		
AT Thomson								
RAS Lakmal								
S Connors								
RN Sidebottom								
Extras	(b 4, lb 5)	9						
Total	for <u>5 wickets</u> in 83 overs	255	498	340	<u>29</u>	0		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
TJ Murtagh		4.2	1	14	0	3.23	0	0
ER Bamber		23	5	71	<u>1</u>	3.09	0	0
TG Helm		19.4	5	49	<u>3</u>	2.49	0	0
TS Roland-Jones		20	1	57	<u>1</u>	2.85	0	0
JM de Caires		16	3	55	0	3.44	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-81 (S Masood, 23.4 ov), 2-106 (BA Godleman, 31.1 ov), 3-197 (WL Madsen, 54.3 ov), 4-200 (BD Guest, 56.6 ov), 5-206 (LM Reece, 60.4 ov)								

Derbyshire v Sussex at Derby 14-17 April 2022

Day One Report



Wayne Madsen & Shan Masood

A superb career-best unbeaten double century from Derbyshire's Shan Masood dominated the opening day of the LV=Insurance County Championship Division Two match against Sussex at Derby.

The Pakistani opener scored a brilliant 201 from 271 balls and shared a county third wicket stand against Sussex of 236 with Wayne Madsen who was 88 not out at the close.

An injury-weakened Sussex attack failed to take a wicket after lunch as Derbyshire closed on an imposing 327 for 2.

Masood had already impressed with two half centuries in the opening match at Lord's last week when he narrowly missed out on a hundred in the first innings.

With the exception of Steve Finn, the bowling lacked the consistency to apply any sustained pressure and Mahmood took advantage to reach 50 from only 60 balls.

Sussex stuck to their task but the only wickets to fall in the first two sessions were down to batting errors with Billy Godleman tickling a leg-glance to Mohamed Rizwan and Brooke Guest bottom-edging a pull.

At lunch he was 74 from 88 balls and after the interval he moved to his century with a succession of imperious, at times dismissive, strokes on both sides of the wicket.

Sussex probably realised it was not going to be their day when Tom Haines struck Masood on the back pad but his impassioned appeal left umpire Paul Baldwin unmoved.

There were few other alarms as Masood and Madsen cruised to a 100 stand in 28 overs and by tea, Derbyshire had scored at a quicker rate than any other team in the country.

Madsen has now shared century stands with 29 different batsmen, breaking the Derbyshire record of 28 held by Kim Barnett, and he reached another milestone when he completed his 100th first-class score of 50 or more.

Although he was content to play the supporting role, he was also largely untroubled apart from when a throw struck him a painful blow on the back of the right knee.

Sussex switched Finn to the Racecourse End at the start of the final session but the runs kept flowing with Masood reaching 150 from 191 balls.

The elegant left-hander will face more challenging attacks in the weeks to come but even at this early stage, head of cricket Mickey Arthur looks to have completed a very shrewd piece of business in bringing him to the club.

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Day Two Report



Sussex are facing an uphill task to avoid defeat following a spectacular collapse on the second day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Derbyshire at Derby.

After Derbyshire racked up 505 for 8 declared, Sussex imploded, losing 6 for 63, to be bowled out in the final over for 174, a daunting 331 behind.

Fast bowler Sam Connors claimed 3 for 47 and 19-year-old seamer Nick Potts marked his first-class debut by taking 3 for 43 including the wicket of captain Tom Haines who top scored with 41.

Haines had been the pick of his team's attack with 1 for 35 from 18 overs, ending the third wicket stand of 292 between Shan Masood and Wayne Madsen, a Derbyshire record for any wicket against Sussex.

Masood scored a magnificent 239 from 340 balls and Madsen 112, his 32nd first-class hundred for Derbyshire, before all-rounder Alex Thomson struck a 49 ball 50.

Masood and Madsen had begun the second day as they ended the first, moving remorselessly on, to eclipse Derbyshire's previous highest stand against Sussex of 274 between Billy Godleman and Luis Reece at Derby in 2019.

Madsen reached his century, surprisingly his first in the championship at Derby for six years, when he turned Jamie Atkins off his hip for his seventh four.

It was Sussex's first success since before lunch on day one but they did not have to wait long for the next as four wickets fell for 27.

Leus du Plooy never looked comfortable and his attempt to drive James Coles over the top ended in the hands of Haines at mid off. Reece was then caught behind as he tried to carve Atkins and Masood's superb innings finally ended in the next over. Masood left to applause from the Sussex players and a standing ovation but if Sussex hoped his departure would signal a quick end to the innings they were disappointed.

Thomson pressed hard on the accelerator and with Anuj Dal, added 76 before the declaration left Sussex needing 356 to avoid the follow-on.

When Haines was dropped on eight at second slip by Madsen in the 2nd over, it threatened to prove costly as the openers scored freely but the dismissal of the captain sparked a collapse. Haines was trapped half forward by Potts and after Tom Alsop was caught behind down the leg side, Connors brought one back to pin Ali Orr Ibw.

Cheteshwar Pujara dabbed at a wide ball and Rizwan also edged one he did not need to play before Tom Clark charged Thomson and edged to slip.

Coles and Oli Carter showed more application but Potts brought one back to remove Coles and Steve Finn fell to Dal before Potts claimed his third victim.

A miserable day for Sussex ended when du Plooy struck with his third ball to leave Sussex with the prospect of following on in the morning.

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Day Three Report



Sussex skipper Tom Haines led from the front with a superb career best century to frustrate Derbyshire on the third day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match at Derby.

The 23-year-old batted through the day for an unbeaten 164 from 289 balls and with Indian Test batsman Cheteshwar Pujara scoring 57 not out, Sussex closed on 278 for 2 after following on 331 behind.

Haines was also given solid support from Ali Orr who shared an opening stand of 128 in 43 overs before he was removed by Sam Connors who was Derbyshire's most threatening bowler on a flat pitch.

After Tom Alsop was run out, Haines and Pujara combined in an unbroken third wicket stand of 133 to leave Sussex trailing by only 53.

With such a commanding lead, it was no surprise that Derbyshire put Sussex back in but the visitors showed much more application and determination after the first innings capitulation.

Orr dug in, showing good judgement, while Haines played more aggressively to reach 50 from 67 balls by cutting Lakmal for his eighth four.

The pair survived comfortably through to lunch although Derbyshire eased some of the pressure on the batsmen by not posting more close fielders.

Billy Godleman continued to rotate his attack after the interval in search of the breakthrough which finally came 13 overs into the afternoon session.

Orr had left the ball well so it was a surprise when he was caught in two minds and edged Connors behind after battling for just short of three hours.

The fall of one wicket had sparked a Sussex collapse in the first innings but Tom Alsop was settling in until he was the victim of a poor call from his captain.

Haines pushed the ball towards point and set off for a run but Nick Potts' throw left Alsop well short of his ground.

It was the last thing Sussex needed but Haines did not allow it to disturb his concentration and he drove Anuj Dal through the covers for his 14th four to complete a fine century, the sixth of his first-class career.

Derbyshire should have removed him on 111 when he cut the left-arm spin of Leus du Plooy to slip but Madsen could not hold onto a sharp chance.

At tea, Sussex had reduced the arrears to 153 and in the final session, Pujara began to time the ball with ominous assurance from a Derbyshire perspective.

Two effortless back foot drives sent the ball racing to the ropes and Derbyshire's best hope of breaking through rested on the new ball which was taken 16 overs from the close.

But Haines and Pujara stood firm with the skipper reaching his 150 from 256 balls and Pujara brought up his half century by cutting Potts to the boundary.

Derbyshire v Sussex at Derby 14-17 April 2022

Day Four Report



Tom Haines and Cheteshwar Pujara scored double centuries to complete a remarkable escape act that guided Sussex to a draw on the final day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Derbyshire at Derby.

They shared a stand of 351 in 119 overs, a Sussex record for any wicket against Derbyshire and other milestones were passed before the teams shook hands.

Haines batted for just short of 11 hours for 243 while Pujara was unbeaten on 201 from 387 balls as Sussex closed on 515 for 3, 180 ahead after following on 331 behind.

It was the first time in a Derbyshire match that three players have scored double hundreds after Shan Masood made 239 for the home side.

This was only the third time it has happened on any ground in Britain, the other two were both at Northampton, and the feat has only been achieved on 11 occasions in the history of first-class cricket.

The pair looked certain to bat through the day but Haines chipped Nick Potts to midwicket shortly before the close and was congratulated by all of the Derbyshire players before he walked off.

Derbyshire's hopes of seeing an Easter parade of wickets rested with the second new ball which was only 16 overs old and for the first hour, Haines and Pujara had to fight hard to survive.

Sam Connors beat the bat several times while Suranga Lakmal delivered his best spell of the match from the City end. The Sri Lankan paceman had a fascinating duel with Pujara who almost lost his wicket on 64 when a fine leg glance bounced just in front of Brooke Guest diving across to his left.

Only 36 runs came in just over an hour but Haines pulled the off-spin of Wayne Madsen to the ropes to wipe out that arrears before Pujara cut Nick Potts to the boundary to bring up the 200 stand in 71 overs.

Haines was reprieved on 194 when he edged a cut at Alex Thomson but Madsen at slip could not hold on to a sharp head high chance. He made the most of it by completing the first double century of his career by driving the last ball of the morning from Thomson to the cover boundary for his 20th four.

It was a remarkable display of concentration and intent from the 23-year-old and he and Pujara moved serenely on after lunch. Pujara clipped Nick Potts wide of mid on for his 14th four in the first over of the afternoon session to reach his 100 which was his first in 27 months.

Pujara completed his 150 from 326 balls and the 300 stand was posted in 108 overs before the pair walked off at tea with Sussex 123 runs ahead.

Derbyshire's chances of victory had long gone when Haines's marathon finally ended but Pujara completed his double hundred on a day to remember for Sussex cricket.

Derbyshire v Sussex at Derby 14-17 April 2022

Scorecard



Derbyshire 1st Innings	Sussex 1st Innings	Sussex 2nd Innings					
BATTERS			R	B	M	4s	6s
S Masood	c Mohammad Rizwan b Coles		239	340	459	24	0
BA Godleman*	c Mohammad Rizwan b Crocombe		12	54	68	2	0
BD Guest†	c Mohammad Rizwan b Atkins		12	25	32	2	0
WL Madsen	b Haines		111	264	323	8	0
JL du Plooy	c Haines b Coles		6	14	17	1	0
LM Reece	c Mohammad Rizwan b Atkins		7	15	12	1	0
AK Dal	not out		38	28	64	5	0
AT Thomson	b Crocombe		52	49	49	7	0
NJ Potts	c Coles b Crocombe		9	9	10	0	1
RAS Lakmal							
S Conners							
Extras	(b 7, lb 9, w 3)		19				
Total	for 8 wickets dec in 133 overs		505	798	518	50	1
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
ST Finn	25	5	74	0	2.96	0	0
HT Crocombe	29	1	131	3	4.52	1	0
JA Atkins	19	2	79	2	4.16	1	0
TGR Clark	13	0	47	0	3.62	0	0
JM Coles	29	0	123	2	4.24	1	0
TJ Haines	18	3	35	1	1.94	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-55 (BA Godleman, 16.6 ov), 2-91 (BD Guest, 24.5 ov), 3-383 (WL Madsen, 111.6 ov), 4-393 (JL du Plooy, 115.3 ov), 5-402 (LM Reece, 118.3 ov), 6-410 (S Masood, 119.1 ov), 7-486 (AT Thomson, 130.6 ov), 8-505 (NJ Potts, 132.6 ov)							

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Sussex 1st Innings	Sussex 2nd Innings					
BATTERS			R	B	M	4s	6s
AGH Orr	lbw b Conners		17	68	105	3	0
TJ Haines*	lbw b Potts		41	34	52	9	0
TP Alsop	c Guest b Conners		7	26	32	0	0
CA Pujara	c Guest b Dal		6	15	22	0	0
TGR Clark	c Madsen b Thomson		13	40	56	1	0
Mohammad Rizwan†	c Guest b Conners		22	32	46	3	0
OJ Carter	c Guest b Potts		21	52	71	2	0
JM Coles	lbw b Potts		10	31	36	1	0
ST Finn	c Madsen b Dal		1	5	7	0	0
HT Crocombe	lbw b du Plooy		8	24	33	1	0
JA Atkins	not out		8	17	13	1	0
Extras	(b 4, lb 6, nb 10)		20				
Total	for 10 wickets in 56.3 overs		174	344	239	21	0
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
RAS Lakmal	12	3	28	0	2.33	0	2
S Conners	14	3	47	3	3.36	0	2
NJ Potts	10	0	43	3	4.30	0	1
AK Dal	12	6	28	2	2.33	0	0
AT Thomson	8	2	18	1	2.25	0	0
JL du Plooy	0.3	0	0	1	0.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-62 (TJ Haines, 11.3 ov), 2-79 (TP Alsop, 18.3 ov), 3-86 (AGH Orr, 22.6 ov), 4-86 (CA Pujara, 23.2 ov), 5-123 (Mohammad Rizwan, 34.1 ov), 6-125 (TGR Clark, 35.6 ov), 7-150 (JM Coles, 46.1 ov), 8-151 (ST Finn, 47.4 ov), 9-165 (OJ Carter, 52.4 ov), 10-174 (HT Crocombe, 56.3 ov)							

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Sussex 1st Innings	Sussex 2nd Innings					
BATTERS			R	B	M	4s	6s
AGH Orr	c Guest b Conners		28	128	171	1	0
TJ Haines*	c Dal b Potts		243	490	654	22	0
TP Alsop	run out (Potts/Guest)		16	30	35	3	0
CA Pujara	not out		201	387	467	23	0
TGR Clark	not out		6	21	20	0	0
Mohammad Rizwan†							
OJ Carter							
JM Coles							
ST Finn							
HT Crocombe							
JA Atkins							
Extras	(b 10, lb 7, w 2)		19				
Total	for 3 wickets in 176.1 overs		513	1056	674	49	0
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners	22	3	67	1	3.05	0	0
RAS Lakmal	25	9	53	0	2.12	1	0
NJ Potts	26.1	2	92	1	3.52	1	0
AT Thomson	41	9	100	0	2.44	0	0
AK Dal	32	1	88	0	2.75	0	0
WL Madsen	14	6	27	0	1.93	0	0
JL du Plooy	16	1	69	0	4.31	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-119 (AGH Orr, 42.4 ov), 2-145 (TP Alsop, 51.6 ov), 3-496 (TJ Haines, 170.5 ov)							

Derbyshire v Leicestershire at Grace Road

21-24 April 2022



Anuj Dal

Derbyshire seamer Sam Conners continued his fine start to the season by taking four for 62 as Leicestershire were dismissed for 213 on the opening day of the LV= Insurance County Championship clash between East Midlands rivals at the Uptonsteel County Ground.

Opener Sam Evans top-scored with 63, South African all-rounder Wiaan Mulder made 39 on his Leicestershire debut and Ed Barnes an unbeaten 34 but it was another disappointing first innings by the home side, who have picked up only four batting points from the first three matches of the season.

Sri Lanka Test fast bowler Suranga Lakmal, wicketless against Sussex last week, finished with two for 52 and saw two slip catches spilled, and 19-year-old seamer Nick Potts looked a decent prospect with two for 32 in only his second senior appearance, but 23-year-old Conners was Derbyshire's brightest spark with the ball, raising his wickets tally for the season to 14.

Derbyshire closed on 36 for one in reply, having lost skipper Billy Godleman. Pakistan star Shan Masood, already past 400 runs for the season in just his fourth innings for the county, is unbeaten on 20.

Skipper Colin Ackermann chose to bat first on a green-tinged pitch but Leicestershire struggled. They lost four wickets for 68 runs before lunch and another three in the afternoon to be 158 for seven at tea.

Hassan Azad, who began the season with a century against Worcestershire, cut and drove Conners for the day's first boundaries but Conners then produced an inswinger to have him leg before.

Anuj Dal nipped one past the outside edge to bowl George Rhodes for six, then took a good catch at backward point as Ackermann played loosely at Potts and there was a bonus wicket for Derbyshire in the over before lunch when leg-spinner Mattie McKiernan, playing his first match this season, bowled Louis Kimber.

After his match-saving half-century at Chester-le-Street, Evans completed another but then gave his wicket away with a poor shot, hanging his bat out to a ball from Conners to give an easy slip catch. The fifth wicket had added 69 but its value was diminished when Harry Swindells was lbw without scoring in the same over.

Thomson put down Barnes at slip in almost a carbon copy of the Mulder escape but Lakmal was rewarded when he beat the South African's attempt to work the ball to leg, trapping him in front.

The Sri Lankan's second wicket followed four overs after tea. Callum Parkinson, the left-arm spinner, unsettled by being hit on his bowling hand, then steered a ball rather tamely to second slip. Beuran Hendricks was ninth out when he dragged a Conners full toss on to his stumps.

Barnes and Will Davis held Derbyshire up with a 39-run stand for the last wicket that at least secured one batting bonus point but ended when Davis edged behind to give Potts his second wicket.

Derbyshire v Leicestershire at Grace Road

21-24 April 2022



Wayne Madsen & Shan Masood

Pakistan international Shan Masood became the first player in Derbyshire history to post back-to-back double centuries as Leicestershire's bowlers were put to the sword on day two of the LV= Insurance County Championship match at the Uptonsteel County Ground.

The 32-year-old opener was out for 219, having hit 24 fours and a six as Derbyshire racked up 401 runs in the day to lead by 224 with six first-innings wickets still in hand. Wayne Madsen made 94 and Mattie McKiernan is 63 not out.

Masood's magnificent innings followed his 239 in last week's drawn match against Sussex, giving him an aggregate of 608 runs from his first four innings for Derbyshire, another county record.

Left-arm spinner Callum Parkinson finally claimed his wicket this time, bowling him with a ball that turned sharply from outside the left-hander's off stump. Masood turned for the pavilion but could leave the field only after every Leicestershire player, led by Parkinson, had offered a handshake of congratulation on a superb exhibition of high-class batting.

It capped a day that began with Leicestershire's bowlers hoping for a productive morning with a relatively new ball. Instead, after resuming on 36 for one, Derbyshire added 111 runs before lunch and lost only one wicket in doing so. Brooke Guest was the sole casualty, given out leg before to Will Davis for 23.

Masood by that point was looking in ominously good touch and as he completed his first fifty just before Madsen's let-off there was already a sense he had his eye on another big score. Callum Parkinson's introduction helped stem the flow of runs in the last 40 minutes of the opening session but it was a different story after lunch when the Leicestershire bowlers conceded runs at more than four an over.

Madsen passed fifty and Masood his hundred from consecutive balls off Will Davis, the latter's including 12 fours. There was seldom any hint of a breakthrough until Madsen, within sight of what would have been a sixth century against Leicestershire and a third on this ground, decided to chance a single to mid-off off Beuran Hendricks with the odds clearly against him and paid the price, Ed Barnes beating the 38-year-old's despairing dive with a direct hit.

Understandably, Madsen looked mortified, yet his partnership with Masood had added 221 for the third wicket and put Derbyshire firmly in control. He and Masood shared a partnership of 292 against Sussex last week.

When tea arrived at 295 for three, their lead was 82. Now Leicestershire were pinning their hopes on the second new ball, which would be available an over into the final session.

Derbyshire supporters are already likening Masood's impact to that of the Australian Simon Katich, who scored 433 runs in his first four innings for the county in 2007, and Martin Guptill, the New Zealand batter, who was the key figure the last time Derbyshire won promotion from Division Two of the County Championship in 2012.

Although he is not alone in making consecutive double hundreds, no player in the history of cricket has made three in a row.

Derbyshire v Leicestershire at Grace Road

21-24 April 2022



Mattie McKiernan

Derbyshire are within reach of a first victory of the LV= Insurance County Championship season after Leicestershire finished day three at the Uptonsteel County Ground six wickets down in their second innings and still 172 behind.

Leicestershire seamer Ed Barnes took five wickets in an innings for the first time earlier in the day as Derbyshire lost their last six first-innings wickets for 27.

But after a maiden century from Mattie McKiernan enhanced the value of Shan Masood's superb double-hundred on Friday, Derbyshire still totalled 531 for a lead of 318.

It left Leicestershire, who had to fight rearguard actions to emerge with a draw from both of their opening Division Two matches, faced with surviving two sessions just to take the contest into the final day. They succeeded in that but it will need an extraordinary effort from their tail to avoid defeat this time.

The morning belonged to McKiernan and latterly to Barnes, the Leicestershire seam bowler, whose dismissal of McKiernan launched an extraordinary spell within a spell that brought him all of his five wickets in the space of 26 deliveries at a cost of just eight runs.

After playing an important role as one of double-centurion Masood's partners on Friday, sharing a stand of 129 for the fourth wicket, McKiernan cut Callum Parkinson's left-arm spin for three fours before moving into the 90s by pulling Barnes for six. His century came off 189 balls and contained 11 fours as well as that six.

Against a Leicestershire attack in which Will Davis could not participate because of injury, McKiernan and Leus Du Plooy took Derbyshire's first-innings total beyond 500 for the second successive match - and in consecutive innings for only the second time in the county's history - but when Barnes thudded one into McKiernan's front pad to have him leg before, the narrative of the morning changed dramatically.

Barnes, who was nought for 93 before umpire Neil Bainton granted him this success, dismissed Anuj Dal Ibaw and had Alex Thomson caught behind from consecutive balls, before Nick Potts chopped on and Sam Connors was bowled. His final analysis read five for 101 but his 10-over spell on the day was worth five for 28.

After Parkinson wrapped up the innings on the stroke of lunch when Suranga Lakmal chipped him straight to short midwicket, Derbyshire made important inroads before tea as opener Hassan Azad and Leicestershire skipper Colin Ackermann both fell, along with George Rhodes.

Thomson accounted for Azad, the off-spinner's turning delivery finding a thin outside edge that turned into a looping catch to Wayne Madsen at slip, seemingly via the left glove of wicketkeeper Brooke Guest. He then bowled Rhodes before the introduction of Dal's medium pace induced a miscued drive from Ackermann that went straight to short cover.

A stubborn 33 from Sam Evans ended when he was leg before to Sam Connors and Wiaan Mulder's rather more entertaining 25 was terminated by the same method by 19-year-old Nick Potts, then Thomson held a stunning low return catch to remove Harry Swindells, with Louis Kimber 33 not out at the close.

Derbyshire v Leicestershire at Grace Road

21-24 April 2022



Suranga Lakmal

Derbyshire were delayed for longer than they might have anticipated before wrapping up an innings victory over rivals Leicestershire in Division Two of the LV= Insurance County Championship.

Leicestershire were 172 behind overnight with only four second-innings wickets in hand after trailing by a daunting 318 on first innings, but were in familiar territory after mounting last-day rearguards to save a draw in their opening two matches and fought doggedly again, even with the odds heavily against them.

Louis Kimber made 54 and Callum Parkinson 49 as Leicestershire kept Derbyshire waiting until mid-afternoon before they were all out for 250, finishing 68 short of requiring their opponents to bat again. Off-spinner Alex Thomson was the pick of the bowlers, taking three for 50 from 39 overs.

Derbyshire also drew their first two fixtures of the new season but after Pakistan international Shan Masood's second consecutive double century and a maiden first-class hundred by Mattie McKiernan had given them such a handsome advantage at the halfway stage they would have seen this as a wasted opportunity had they failed to win.

Kimber picked up six boundaries and passed fifty for the fourth time in only his eighth first-class match and Parkinson battled for more than two hours but these were only a few positives that Leicestershire can take forward from a disappointing four days.

Ed Barnes, whose maiden five-wicket haul at the end of the Derbyshire innings was another, stayed with Kimber for the first hour of the final day, but fell four overs after the second new ball was taken, Lakmal having him caught behind off an inside edge on to pad.

Kimber, who had played some attractive shots departed in Lakmal's next over, leg before playing back, before Parkinson and Beuran Hendricks began a ninth-wicket partnership that would span 27 overs.

Parkinson found the boundary three times, flicking Lakmal off his legs and twice driving Thomson, as he and the South African pace bowler negotiated the 12 overs to lunch at 210 for eight.

They further survived for the best part of an hour after the interval and had cut the deficit by 57 runs to 80 before Hendricks, having survived the chance of a stumping off Thomson 11, was caught behind off McKiernan's leg spin for 15.

Parkinson moved to within a single of a half-century of his own but when Derbyshire skipper Billy Godleman called on Anuj Dal to bowl for the first time on the day the medium pacer had the Leicestershire vice-captain leg before with his first ball to complete the win.

It is only the second time in 58 years that Derbyshire have beaten their East Midlands rivals by an innings and the first time at Grace Road, as the Uptonsteel County Ground is traditionally known, since 1896.

Indeed, the win over Leicestershire by an innings and 32 runs at Derby in 2011 was Derbyshire's last innings victory over any opponent.

Derbyshire v Leicestershire at Grace Road

21-24 April 2022 Scorecard



Leicestershire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Leicestershire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS			R	B	M	4s	6s
MH Azad	lbw b Connors		17	37	35	2	0
ST Evans	c Madsen b Connors		63	147	222	5	0
GH Rhodes	b Dal		6	27	29	1	0
CN Ackermann*	c Dal b Potts		5	14	20	1	0
LPJ Kimber	b McKiernan		1	29	34	0	0
PWA Mulder	lbw b Lakmal		39	86	124	6	0
HJ Swindells†	lbw b Connors		0	3	4	0	0
E Barnes	not out		34	72	99	3	1
CF Parkinson	c Madsen b Lakmal		8	22	36	1	0
BE Hendricks	b Connors		4	7	7	0	0
WS Davis	c Guest b Potts		12	25	35	1	0
HA Evans	not out		0	0	0	0	0
Extras	(b 9, lb 5, nb 10)		24				
Total	for 10 wickets in 77.2 overs		213	469	325	20	1
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Connors	22	5	62	4	2.82	0	0
RAS Lakmal	21	5	52	2	2.48	0	3
AK Dal	14	4	28	1	2.00	0	0
NJ Potts	13.2	5	32	2	2.40	0	2
MH McKiernan	5	0	14	1	2.80	0	0
AT Thomson	2	0	11	0	5.50	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-18 (MH Azad, 8.4 ov), 2-31 (GH Rhodes, 15.6 ov), 3-50 (CN Ackermann, 20.4 ov), 4-68 (LPJ Kimber, 28.5 ov), 5-137 (ST Evans, 54.3 ov), 6-137 (HJ Swindells, 54.6 ov), 7-149 (PWA Mulder, 59.1 ov), 8-167 (CF Parkinson, 67.3 ov), 9-174 (BE Hendricks, 68.6 ov), 10-213 (WS Davis, 77.2 ov)							

Leicestershire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Leicestershire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS			R	B	M	4s	6s
S Masood	b Parkinson		219	268	411	26	1
BA Godleman*	c Swindells b Hendricks		8	35	41	0	0
BD Guest†	lbw b Davis		23	46	57	3	0
WL Madsen	run out (Barnes)		94	159	200	3	0
MH McKiernan	lbw b Barnes		101	191	224	11	1
JL du Plooy	not out		61	116	158	4	1
AK Dal	lbw b Barnes		1	11	10	0	0
AT Thomson	c Swindells b Barnes		0	1	2	0	0
NJ Potts	b Barnes		2	9	10	0	0
S Connors	b Barnes		3	13	15	0	0
RAS Lakmal	c sub (HA Evans) b Parkinson		1	5	6	0	0
Extras	(b 8, lb 4, nb 6)		18				
Total	for 10 wickets in 141.5 overs		531	854	570	53	3
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
BE Hendricks	26	2	99	1	3.81	0	2
WS Davis	19	2	83	1	4.37	0	0
PWA Mulder	21	2	77	0	3.67	0	1
E Barnes	25	1	101	5	4.04	0	0
CF Parkinson	41.5	9	128	2	3.06	0	0
CN Ackermann	9	0	31	0	3.44	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-17 (BA Godleman, 10.2 ov), 2-60 (BD Guest, 23.6 ov), 3-281 (WL Madsen, 74.5 ov), 4-410 (S Masood, 101.2 ov), 5-504 (MH McKiernan, 132.3 ov), 6-506 (AK Dal, 134.5 ov), 7-506 (AT Thomson, 134.6 ov), 8-510 (NJ Potts, 136.6 ov), 9-528 (S Connors, 140.4 ov), 10-531 (RAS Lakmal, 141.5 ov)							

Leicestershire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Leicestershire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS			R	B	M	4s	6s
MH Azad	c Guest/Madsen b Thomson		32	73	82	1	0
ST Evans	lbw b Connors		33	140	185	0	0
GH Rhodes	b Thomson		5	19	20	0	0
CN Ackermann*	c Thomson b Dal		3	11	15	0	0
LPJ Kimber	lbw b Lakmal		54	163	217	6	0
PWA Mulder	lbw b Potts		25	35	49	2	0
HJ Swindells†	c & b Thomson		8	17	20	1	0
E Barnes	c Guest b Lakmal		9	51	69	1	0
CF Parkinson	lbw b Dal		49	106	131	5	0
BE Hendricks	c Guest b McKiernan		15	76	99	1	0
WS Davis	not out		2	17	19	0	0
Extras	(lb 5, nb 10)		15				
Total	for 10 wickets in 117.1 overs		250	708	456	18	0
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Connors	20	2	67	1	3.35	0	0
RAS Lakmal	26	11	57	2	2.19	0	5
AT Thomson	39	17	50	3	1.28	0	0
AK Dal	9.1	2	16	2	1.75	0	0
MH McKiernan	12	0	19	1	1.58	0	0
NJ Potts	9	0	24	1	2.67	0	0
WL Madsen	2	0	12	0	6.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-50 (MH Azad, 20.6 ov), 2-58 (GH Rhodes, 26.6 ov), 3-64 (CN Ackermann, 30.5 ov), 4-88 (ST Evans, 47.4 ov), 5-128 (PWA Mulder, 59.2 ov), 6-145 (HJ Swindells, 64.2 ov), 7-168 (E Barnes, 83.4 ov), 8-181 (LPJ Kimber, 85.5 ov), 9-238 (BE Hendricks, 112.6 ov), 10-250 (CF Parkinson, 117.1 ov)							

Derbyshire v Glamorgan at Derby 28 April - 1 May 2022

Day One Report



Brooke Guest

Shan Masood's remarkable start to the season continued but he was overshadowed by a century from Brooke Guest that gave Derbyshire the advantage on the opening day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match at Derby.

The Pakistan batter scored 60 before falling to Michael Hogan who was the pick of the Glamorgan attack with 3 for 45 but remains on course for the most runs scored in April.

Guest made 109, his second first-class hundred, and Wayne Madsen 70 as Derbyshire closed on 282 for 5 when bad light ended play just after 6pm.

All the attention was on Masood before the Division Two game with the Pakistan left-hander closing in on Nick Compton's record tally of 712 in April 2012.

After consecutive double centuries, Masood had 611 runs from four innings when Billy Godleman won the toss and elected to bat on a chilly, grey morning.

The pitch looked a good one although Hogan bowled superbly and could easily have removed Masood in a challenging opening spell. The 40-year-old almost had Masood on five when a bottom-edged pull bounced just wide off the stumps before his persistent probing did for Godleman.

Derbyshire's skipper was undone by one that moved away just enough to take the outside edge in the 12th over but that was Glamorgan's only success of the morning.

That was down to the discipline and patience of Masood and Guest with the latter emerging from an uncertain start to play with increasing confidence.

Masood completed his fifth consecutive 50 shortly after lunch and looked to be moving towards another three figure score until Hogan held a smart return catch.

He dived away to his right to grab a leading edge one-handed but the departure of the country's leading run scorer did not unsettle Derbyshire.

Guest and Madsen picked off the bad balls with Guest completing his hundred from 196 balls while Madsen passed yet another milestone on his way to 50.

He became only the fifth Derbyshire player to reach 18,000 runs in all formats as Derbyshire accumulated steadily in conditions that had deteriorated enough for the floodlights to be used.

To their credit, Glamorgan plugged away and were rewarded when Hogan and Nesar claimed three wickets with the second new ball.

Nesar delivered his best spell of the day and after going past the bat several times, dismissed Madsen in the gloom, trapping him on the crease as he went half-forward.

That ended a stand of 161 in 47 overs and Guest soon followed, bowled by one that moved away, before nightwatchman Sam Connors was lbw to Nesar to take some of the gloss off Derbyshire's day.

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Day Two Report



Ryan Sidebottom

David Lloyd led from the front as Glamorgan fought back on the second day of the LV=Insurance County Championship Division Two match against Derbyshire at Derby.

After Michael Hogan and Michael Nesar each took four wickets to bowl Derbyshire out for 368, the Glamorgan captain scored 84 from 104 balls, sharing an opening stand of 103 with Andrew Salter.

Marnus Labuschagne made an unbeaten 53 and Sam Northeast 49 as Glamorgan closed on 240 for 4, 128 runs behind.

Glamorgan's bowlers completed the recovery started by the second new ball on the previous evening with Nesar striking in the second over of the morning.

Mattie McKiernan edged a defensive push into the gloves of Chris Cooke and Nesar continued to cause problems in tandem with Timm van der Gugten.

The runs dried up until a wayward spell by James Harris from the Racecourse End relieved the pressure on Leus du Plooy and Anuj Dal. Harris leaked 22 runs in four overs and the seventh wicket pair had added 50 before the belated introduction of Hogan broke through.

The 40-year-old found just enough away movement to have Dal taken at first slip and du Plooy followed two overs before lunch when he was lbw shuffling across to the off-spin of Salter.

The game meandered after the interval with Derbyshire adding only eight more runs in seven overs with Suranga Lakmal's attempt to raise the tempo by hitting Salter over the top ending in a well-judged catch by Labuschagne running back at midwicket.

When Nesar had Ryan Sidebottom snared at first slip, Derbyshire had lost their last eight wickets for 92 runs which was a disappointing decline on a good batting pitch.

Even so, it was still a total that could put pressure on Glamorgan if they lost early wickets but Lloyd and Salter batted watchfully before accelerating in the afternoon sunshine.

Lloyd drove fluently to reach 50 from 79 balls and Salter swept Alex Thomson's off-spin for four to bring up the century stand in the 26th over.

But a farcical mix-up in the same over gifted Derbyshire a wicket when Salter set off a second run and found himself stranded at the same end as his captain.

Lloyd looked in no mood to throw his wicket away but after driving Connors for three fours in an over, he went for another big drive at Dal and Wayne Madsen held a sharp catch at slip.

Connors was the unlucky bowler as Madsen failed to hold on at second slip with Northeast on 5 and the score 126 for 2. That was proving to be costly as Labuschagne and Northeast added 93 in 22 overs but Madsen responded by beating Northeast's attempted sweep.

Labuschagne drove Madsen over the ropes at long on but Kiran Carlson edged a loose drive at Lakmal to leave the match finely poised.

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Day Three Report



Suranga Lakmal

Derbyshire's Shan Masood fell agonisingly short of a world record on the third day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Glamorgan at Derby.

The Pakistan opener was out for 42, failing by three to beat the most first-class runs in April set by Nick Compton who scored 715 for Somerset in 2012.

Marnus Labuschagne had earlier scored 130 from 199 balls out of Glamorgan's 387 with Sri Lankan fast bowler Suranga Lakmal taking 5 for 82.

Derbyshire wiped out the slender deficit of 19 and with Wayne Madsen cruising to an unbeaten 58, they closed on 170 for 2, a lead of 151.

For a while, it looked doubtful if Masood would even get the chance to break the record as Labuschagne and nightwatchman Timm van der Gugten batted through the first 20 overs of the day.

Labuschagne was beaten a couple of times by Ryan Sidebottom but the Australian played some sublime drives as he moved to his sixth hundred for Glamorgan from 137 balls.

The stand was worth 82 from 22 overs when van der Gugten tried to hit leg-spinner Mattie McKiernan over the top but failed to clear long on.

Chris Cooke was lbw playing back to Connors and although Tom Cullen was dropped second ball at first slip, he played on to Lakmal in the second over after lunch.

Michael Nesar got a leading edge, Lakmal trapped Labuschagne lbw and after some firm blows from the last wicket pair, all eyes were on Masood.

He timed the ball effortlessly from the start, threading drives and clips off his legs through gaps to close in on Compton's landmark.

The last over before tea began with Masood needing three runs to enter the record books but the first ball seamed away and lifted to take his outside edge and Cooke made no mistake.

Even so, Masood's aggregate of 713 in five Championship innings is a remarkable statistic and he now has two more matches to get to the coveted milestone of 1,000 runs before the end of May.

With Masood back in the pavilion, it was now a question of how far ahead Derbyshire could get before stumps and Madsen came out intent on taking the attack to the bowlers.

Glamorgan restored a measure of control but Madsen reached his fifth consecutive score of 50 or more when he cut Nesar for his seventh four.

With Brooke Guest, he has so far added 97 for the third wicket but with rain forecast on the final day, it will take something dramatic for either side to force victory.

Derbyshire v Glamorgan at Derby 28 April - 1 May 2022

Day Four Report



Wayne Madsen & Brooke Guest

Glamorgan narrowly failed to pull off a thrilling run chase as the LV=Insurance County Championship Division Two match at Derby ended in a pulsating draw.

Set 331 in 55 overs, Marnus Labuschagne with 85 from 87 balls and Sam Northeast's 81 off 101 balls put Glamorgan on course before fast bowler Ryan Sidebottom raised Derbyshire's victory hopes with 4 for 50.

Sidebottom removed Northeast to reduce Glamorgan to 308 for 8 but James Harris and Timm van der Gugten, batting with a runner, held on for the draw.

Derbyshire wicketkeeper Brooke Guest had earlier scored his second century of the game to equal a 126 year record when he became only the second Derbyshire 'keeper to make two hundreds in a match. Wayne Madsen also scored an unbeaten 135, sharing a third wicket stand of 276 in 76 overs with Guest, before Derbyshire declared on 349 for 3.

Guest reached his landmark when he cut the leg spin of Labuschagne for his ninth four to complete his second hundred and equal the record set by Bill Storer against Yorkshire at Derby in 1896.

Madsen celebrated yet another century, his 33rd first-class hundred for the county, by cutting Andrew Salter to the boundary and the pair scored 117 runs in the session to take the lead to 268.

The declaration came when Guest was caught behind down the leg side, leaving Glamorgan to score at more than six an over to achieve victory.

Derbyshire took only four balls to get their first wicket with Salter falling to a superb diving catch by Leus du Plooy at third slip off Suranga Lakmal.

The big wicket was Labuschagne and Sam Connors twice found his outside edge only for the ball to fly wide of the slips. When he did offer a chance, Derbyshire failed to take it with Mattie McKiernan spilling an edged drive off Sidebottom at first slip on 27. That was always likely to prove costly and Labuschagne twice drove off-spinner Alex Thomson for six on his way to a 49 ball 50.

Lloyd was one away from a half-century when he played across the line at Sidebottom and was lbw; he was clearly unhappy with the decision and was issued with the warning for swearing loudly as he marched up the pavilion steps.

Labuschagne was dropped again on 74 by Guest but Sidebottom finally got him when he failed to clear cover.

Kiran Carlson's 37 from 35 balls and Chris Cooke with 32 from 25 gave Glamorgan the momentum but Sidebottom and Anuj Dal stemmed the run flow and, crucially, took wickets.

Northeast pulled Dal for six but when he drove Sidebottom to third man in the penultimate over with 23 still needed, Glamorgan called off the chase with both teams taking 14 points after an enthralling final day.

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Scorecard



Derbyshire 1st Innings	Glamorgan 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Glamorgan 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
S Masood	c & b Hogan	60	113	158	7 0
BA Godleman*	c Cooke b Hogan	15	39	48	2 0
BD Guest†	b Hogan	109	251	308	10 0
WL Madsen	lbw b Nesar	70	127	183	7 0
JL du Plooy	lbw b Salter	32	80	134	3 0
S Connors	lbw b Nesar	0	2	4	0 0
MH McKiernan	c Cooke b Nesar	1	9	9	0 0
AK Dal	c Lloyd b Hogan	24	57	79	3 0
AT Thomson	not out	21	50	61	2 1
RAS Lakmal	c Labuschagne b Salter	5	17	16	1 0
RN Sidebottom	c Lloyd b Nesar	0	17	19	0 0
Extras	(b 10, lb 13, nb 8)	31			
Total	for 10 wickets in 126.2 overs	368	762	511	35 1
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
MG Nesar		26.2	5	63	4 2.39 0 0
MG Hogan		26	9	55	4 2.12 0 0
JAR Harris		18	2	71	0 3.94 0 3
T van der Gugten		24	9	48	0 2.00 0 0
DL Lloyd		15	4	47	0 3.13 0 1
AG Salter		15	1	48	2 3.20 0 0
M Labuschagne		2	0	13	0 6.50 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-22 (BA Godleman, 11.5 ov), 2-115 (S Masood, 39.4 ov), 3-276 (WL Madsen, 86.1 ov), 4-280 (BD Guest, 89.6 ov), 5-281 (S Connors, 90.5 ov), 6-283 (MH McKiernan, 92.4 ov), 7-333 (AK Dal, 110.1 ov), 8-355 (JL du Plooy, 117.2 ov), 9-361 (RAS Lakmal, 121.3 ov), 10-368 (RN Sidebottom, 126.2 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Glamorgan 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Glamorgan 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
DL Lloyd*	c Madsen b Dal	84	104	125	14 0
AG Salter	run out (Connors/Thomson/Guest)	29	68	107	5 0
M Labuschagne	lbw b Lakmal	130	199	309	14 1
SA Northeast	lbw b Madsen	49	84	96	7 0
KS Carlson	c Guest b Lakmal	9	11	16	1 0
T van der Gugten	c Thomson b McKiernan	20	62	88	3 0
CB Cooke†	lbw b Connors	3	18	17	0 0
TN Cullen	b Lakmal	9	32	46	1 0
MG Nesar	c & b Lakmal	5	16	17	0 0
JAR Harris	not out	13	15	21	3 0
MG Hogan	c Khan b Lakmal	11	6	11	2 0
Extras	(lb 15, nb 10)	25			
Total	for 10 wickets in 101.4 overs	387	615	428	50 1
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
S Connors		23	3	86	1 3.74 0 0
RAS Lakmal		29.4	6	82	5 2.76 0 4
RN Sidebottom		20	2	80	0 4.00 0 1
AK Dal		16	0	66	1 4.13 0 0
AT Thomson		7	0	35	0 5.00 0 0
MH McKiernan		3	0	10	1 3.33 0 0
WL Madsen		2	0	12	1 6.00 0 0
JL du Plooy		1	0	1	0 1.00 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-103 (AG Salter, 25.6 ov), 2-126 (DL Lloyd, 29.2 ov), 3-219 (SA Northeast, 52.4 ov), 4-239 (KS Carlson, 56.4 ov), 5-321 (T van der Gugten, 78.3 ov), 6-327 (CB Cooke, 82.4 ov), 7-354 (TN Cullen, 93.5 ov), 8-362 (MG Nesar, 97.3 ov), 9-363 (M Labuschagne, 99.3 ov), 10-387 (MG Hogan, 101.4 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Glamorgan 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Glamorgan 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
S Masood	c Cooke b van der Gugten	42	64	70	6 0
BA Godleman*	c Cooke b Harris	22	58	86	1 0
BD Guest†	c Cooke b Salter	138	242	278	10 2
WL Madsen	not out	135	175	261	13 0
JL du Plooy					
MH McKiernan					
AK Dal					
AT Thomson					
RAS Lakmal					
S Connors					
RN Sidebottom					
Extras	(b 2, lb 2, nb 8)	12			
Total	for 3 wickets dec in 89.1 overs	349	539	348	30 2
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
MG Nesar		13	3	40	0 3.08 0 1
MG Hogan		9	1	34	0 3.78 0 0
T van der Gugten		6.1	0	17	1 2.76 0 0
AG Salter		27.1	1	93	1 3.42 0 0
JAR Harris		10.5	0	59	1 5.45 0 2
DL Lloyd		13	2	56	0 4.31 0 0
M Labuschagne		10	0	46	0 4.60 0 1
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-60 (S Masood, 18.1 ov), 2-73 (BA Godleman, 22.1 ov), 3-349 (BD Guest, 89.1 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Glamorgan 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Glamorgan 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
DL Lloyd*	lbw b Sidebottom	49	55	75	9 0
AG Salter	c du Plooy b Lakmal	0	3	2	0 0
M Labuschagne	c Khan b Sidebottom	85	87	131	12 2
SA Northeast	c du Plooy b Sidebottom	81	101	154	9 1
KS Carlson	c Guest b Lakmal	37	35	42	4 1
CB Cooke†	c Madsen b Dal	32	26	30	4 1
MG Nesar	c McKiernan b Dal	10	6	9	0 1
TN Cullen	b Sidebottom	1	5	4	0 0
JAR Harris	not out	1	11	17	0 0
T van der Gugten	not out	1	2	8	0 0
MG Hogan					
Extras	(b 5, lb 3, w 1, nb 4)	13			
Total	for 8 wickets in 54.5 overs	310	331	238	38 6
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
RAS Lakmal		14.5	3	65	2 4.38 0 1
S Connors		12	0	97	0 8.08 1 1
RN Sidebottom		14	2	50	4 3.57 0 0
AK Dal		9	0	54	2 6.00 0 0
AT Thomson		5	0	36	0 7.20 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-1 (AG Salter, 0.4 ov), 2-99 (DL Lloyd, 17.5 ov), 3-160 (M Labuschagne, 31.3 ov), 4-233 (KS Carlson, 42.1 ov), 5-282 (CB Cooke, 48.4 ov), 6-298 (MG Nesar, 50.4 ov), 7-299 (TN Cullen, 51.3 ov), 8-308 (SA Northeast, 53.2 ov)					

Derbyshire v Worcestershire at Derby 12-15 May 2022

Day One Report



Jack Haynes scored his second consecutive first-class century as Worcestershire edged the opening day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Derbyshire at Derby.

The 21-year-old backed-up his maiden hundred against Durham on Sunday with 133 from 207 balls out of Worcestershire's 326 for 5.

Azhar Ali made 88 from 192 balls, adding 187 in 56overs with Haynes to follow the 195 stand they shared to save the Durham match before Derbyshire hit back with the second new ball.

Sam Connors removed Haynes before a brilliant catch by Anuj Dal sent back Brett D'Oliveira five overs before the close.

Derbyshire's decision to bowl first on a pitch tinged with green was possibly based on the amount of rain in Derby the previous day but apart from Suranga Lakmal, the bowlers struggled.

Lakmal's opening spell tested the technique and judgement of the batsmen and deserved more than the one wicket of Ed Pollock in the sixth over.

Pollock was drawn into pushing forward at a good length ball that moved away enough to take the outside edge which was taken low down by Brooke Guest.

Azhar could easily have followed but survived a rigorous examination by Lakmal to bat through the first session and establish a foundation that he and Haynes built on in the afternoon.

Haynes joined him in the 13th over after Jake Libby was lbw to one that cut back from Ryan Sidebottom and continued from where he left off at Worcester on Sunday.

Azhar became increasingly fluent after completing his second 50 for Worcestershire and was clearly annoyed when he failed to convert it into a century.

His attempt to cut Alex Thomson's off-spin only gave Wayne Madsen a sharp catch at slip five overs after tea but Haynes did not miss out.

Last year at Worcester Haynes fell for 97 against Derbyshire but this time he pulled a short ball from Sidebottom for his 12th four to go to his second hundred in four days.

Derbyshire took the second new ball as soon as it became available and struck immediately when Connors nibbled one away to have Haynes caught low down at first slip.

D'Oliveira and Ed Barnard took Worcestershire to a third batting point which was the first time in Derbyshire's history that scores of 300 or more have been posted in five consecutive innings before the home side broke through again.

D'Oliveira cut Sidebottom firmly to point but Dal underlined his reputation as an outstanding fielder by leaping high at point to take a superb catch.

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Day Two Report



Shan Masood scored his third century of a remarkable season to stay on course for 1000 runs before the end of May as Derbyshire dominated the second day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Worcestershire at Derby.

The Pakistan left-hander made 113 from 132 balls to take his tally to 826 with a possible three more innings to come before the end of the month.

Brooke Guest scored 77 with Derbyshire plundering 172 runs in 36 overs between lunch and tea before Worcestershire hit back in the evening session to leave the home side on 274 for 4, trailing by 94.

Fast bowler Sam Connors took four wickets in the morning to complete a five wicket haul as Worcestershire lost their last five wickets for 42 to be bowled out for 368.

The day had promised much more for the visitors but after subsiding to Connors they felt the full measure of Masood's elegant strokeplay.

Ed Barnard and Ben Cox represented Worcestershire's best chance of passing 400 but they both fell in the same over to Connors, Barnard driving loosely to cover and Cox lbw to a ball that looked to be missing leg stump.

Connors made it three in seven balls when he found lift and away movement to remove Josh Baker before nightwatchman Adam Finch, after 22 overs of determined resistance, pulled Ryan Sidebottom to deep backward square.

Sidebottom immediately left the field with a calf injury but Anuj Dal pulled off another stunning catch at point to quickly end the innings and give Connors his fifth wicket.

After Billy Godleman got an inside edge onto his leg stump, Masood and Guest cruised along at almost a run-a-ball against indisciplined bowling and increasingly ragged fielding.

Masood's timing and placement was exemplary but Worcestershire helped him along the way, Barnard spilling a chance at backward point off Ben Gibbon on 67 and then fluffing a run out chance 10 runs later.

Inevitably, he moved to his third century in seven innings from 115 balls but Worcestershire regrouped after tea with Gibbon claiming the prized wicket of Masood during an impressive 11 overs spell from the City End.

The 21-year-old beat Masood's attempted drive in the first over after the interval, the first of three wickets to fall for only 27 runs in 15 overs which reflected Worcestershire's improvement.

Guest lost his concentration and edged a big drive at a wide ball from Barnard and Wayne Madsen was lbw trying to work Baker's left-arm spin to leg.

Gibbons was unlucky not to make further inroads but Leus du Plooy and Luis Reece saw Derbyshire through to the close although Worcestershire have the prospect of a second new ball early on day three.

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Day Three Report



Anuj Dal

A career-best unbeaten century from Anuj Dal put Derbyshire in complete control of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Worcestershire at Derby.

The all-rounder made 114 from 177 balls before Derbyshire declared on 565 for 8, their highest ever score against Worcestershire, and a lead of 197.

Leus du Plooy scored 62 and Alex Thomson 54 while 18-year-old left-arm spinner Josh Baker took 3 for 150 in 44 overs.

Worcestershire were left with 16 overs to negotiate and they lost Ed Pollock to Suranga Lakmal before closing on 59 for 1,138 behind.

They had reeled Derbyshire back in the previous evening so it was vital they kept up the pressure from the start of play but a dropped catch in the third over of the morning handed the home side the initiative.

Luis Reece was on 22 when he skied Josh Baker into the covers where Ed Pollock circled under the ball and then proceeded to drop a simple catch.

It was a big moment as Reece and du Plooy proceeded to bat for another nine overs, adding 41 more runs, before the second new ball broke the stand.

Worcestershire had delayed taking it for six overs, a decision which looked even more puzzling when the first delivery from Charlie Morris lifted and moved away to have Reece caught behind.

By the time Ed Barnard trapped du Plooy lbw with a full length delivery, Derbyshire were only two runs behind and Dal and Thomson turned that into a healthy lead with a seventh wicket stand of 78 in 26 overs.

It was Baker who broke the stand, having Thomson lbw as he played back but Dal and the tail put Derbyshire firmly in the box seat.

Sam Connors stayed with Dal for 15 overs before he was stumped charging Baker in the last over before tea and Derbyshire piled on the runs in the final session.

When Dal pulled Ben Gibbon for four, it was the first time in Derbyshire's history they had posted two scores of 500 or more in a season at Derby.

Dal cut Gibbon for his ninth four to reach his second first-class century and with Ryan Sidebottom, batting with a runner because of a calf injury, added 72 before the declaration came.

Although Derbyshire were a bowler down and the pitch remains a good one for batting, Worcestershire have to overcome scoreboard pressure to save the game.

Pollock took three fours from the first over by Connors but was comprehensively bowled when Lakmal cut one back in the sixth over.

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Day Four Report



Worcestershire opener Jake Libby returned to form with his first century of the season to deny Derbyshire victory on the final day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match at Derby.

Libby had made only one 50 in his previous eight innings but came good at the right time with an unbeaten 105 off 306 balls to steer Worcestershire to a draw.

Azhar Ali scored 60 and shared a second wicket stand with Libby of 164 in 48 overs before Jack Haynes, who scored 16 from 140 balls, joined Libby to complete a determined rearguard action.

The pair dropped anchor, scoring only 26 runs from 283 balls to end Derbyshire's rapidly fading hopes as the visitors closed on 225 for 2, a lead of 28.

Worcestershire went into the final day 138 runs behind but the pitch was flat and Derbyshire were a bowler down with Ryan Sidebottom ruled out by a calf injury.

Derbyshire had to strike early to apply pressure but there were few alarms as Libby and Azhar batted through the morning to reduce the deficit to 35.

Libby edged Suranga Lakmal just short of first slip in the fourth over and Azhar missed a loose cut at Luis Reece who was bowling for the first time since August following surgery on his left shoulder and right knee.

Reece bowled five overs from the Racecourse End and did get some swing while Sam Connors tried to unsettle the batters with some short balls but it was a fruitless first session for Derbyshire.

Libby drove Reece for his seventh four to reach 50 from 98 balls and Azhar completed his third consecutive half-century after lunch when he cut Lakmal to the ropes.

Derbyshire's hopes were raised briefly when Azhar went back to work Thomson to leg but was beaten by some turn and given lbw after resisting for 204 minutes.

His obvious disappointment at missing out on the chance of a century was clear but Libby, who was the second leading run scorer in the country last season, completed a stubborn hundred from 185 balls.

He did not score another run from the next 39 balls which underlined his determination not to give Derbyshire a chance of forcing the door back open.

Derbyshire used spin at both ends to try and get to a second new ball as quickly as possible but when it became available, the light had deteriorated to prevent them taking it.

After the interval the game meandered to its inevitable conclusion before the teams shook hands at 4.50pm with both teams taking 14 points.

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Scorecard



Worcestershire 1st Innings		Derbyshire 1st Innings		Worcestershire 2nd Innings				
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
EJ Pollock	c Guest b Lakmal	7	12	22	1	0		
JD Libby	lbw b Sidebottom	17	46	53	1	0		
Azhar Ali	c Madsen b Thomson	88	192	254	12	0		
JA Haynes	c Thomson b Conners	133	207	265	16	0		
BL D'Oliveira*	c Dal b Sidebottom	35	68	85	3	1		
EG Barnard	c du Plooy b Conners	21	55	89	2	0		
AW Finch	c Khan b Sidebottom	18	67	95	2	0		
OB Cox†	lbw b Conners	2	3	4	0	0		
JO Baker	c Guest b Conners	0	3	7	0	0		
CAJ Morris	c Dal b Conners	12	35	47	1	0		
BJ Gibbon	not out	5	5	10	1	0		
Extras	(b 6, lb 8, nb 16)	30						
Total	for 10 wickets in 114.1 overs	368	693	467	39	1		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners		31	3	109	5	3.52	0	1
RAS Lakmal		26.2	5	65	1	2.47	0	3
RN Sidebottom		19.5	2	76	3	3.83	0	2
AK Dal		17	4	42	0	2.47	0	2
AT Thomson		18	4	45	1	2.50	0	0
JL du Plooy		2	0	17	0	8.50	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-13 (EJ Pollock, 5.3 ov), 2-41 (JD Libby, 12.3 ov), 3-228 (Azhar Ali, 68.1 ov), 4-287 (JA Haynes, 80.4 ov), 5-317 (BL D'Oliveira, 90.3 ov), 6-338 (EG Barnard, 102.1 ov), 7-340 (OB Cox, 102.4 ov), 8-344 (JO Baker, 104.1 ov), 9-361 (AW Finch, 112.1 ov), 10-368 (CAJ Morris, 114.1 ov)								

Worcestershire 1st Innings		Derbyshire 1st Innings		Worcestershire 2nd Innings				
BATTERS				R	B	M	4s	6s
S Masood	b Gibbon	113	131	172	10	0		
BA Godleman*	b Barnard	14	38	49	2	0		
BD Guest†	c Cox b Barnard	77	117	157	8	0		
WL Madsen	lbw b Baker	19	49	61	3	0		
JL du Plooy	lbw b Barnard	62	127	173	5	0		
LM Reece	c Cox b Morris	42	85	97	6	0		
AK Dal	not out	114	177	258	10	0		
AT Thomson	lbw b Baker	54	90	98	5	0		
S Conners	st Cox b Baker	16	55	55	1	0		
RN Sidebottom	not out	31	51	55	6	0		
RAS Lakmal								
Extras	(b 10, lb 9, nb 4)	23						
Total	for 8 wickets dec in 153 overs	565	920	589	56	0		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
CAJ Morris		22	1	97	1	4.41	0	0
BJ Gibbon		29	6	98	1	3.38	0	0
JO Baker		44	3	150	3	3.41	0	0
AW Finch		25	1	104	0	4.16	0	1
EG Barnard		24	4	65	3	2.71	0	1
BL D'Oliveira		8	0	30	0	3.75	0	0
JD Libby		1	0	2	0	2.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-49 (BA Godleman, 12.3 ov), 2-207 (S Masood, 43.5 ov), 3-223 (BD Guest, 52.3 ov), 4-234 (WL Madsen, 58.6 ov), 5-320 (LM Reece, 86.1 ov), 6-366 (JL du Plooy, 97.1 ov), 7-444 (AT Thomson, 123.1 ov), 8-493 (S Conners, 138.2 ov)								

Worcestershire 1st Innings		Derbyshire 1st Innings		Worcestershire 2nd Innings				
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
EJ Pollock	<u>b Lakmal</u>	23	18	23	<u>5</u>		0	
JD Libby	not out	105	306	357	<u>11</u>		0	
Azhar Ali	<u>lbw b Thomson</u>	60	152	203	<u>9</u>		0	
JA Haynes	not out	16	140	130	<u>1</u>		0	
BL D'Oliveira*								
EG Barnard								
OB Cox†								
JO Baker								
AW Finch								
CAJ Morris								
BJ Gibbon								
Extras	(b 1, nb 20)	21						
Total	for <u>2 wickets</u> dec in 101 overs	225	616	357	<u>26</u>		0	
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners		18	2	88	0	4.89	0	6
RAS Lakmal		15	4	41	<u>1</u>	2.73	0	0
AT Thomson		32	20	41	<u>1</u>	1.28	0	1
AK Dal		6	1	24	0	4.00	0	1
LM Reece		5	1	13	0	2.60	0	2
WL Madsen		16	10	8	0	0.50	0	0
JL du Plooy		9	3	9	0	1.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-35 (EJ Pollock, 5.1 ov), 2-199 (Azhar Ali, 53.5 ov)								

Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge

19-22 May 2022



Leus du Plooy

Half-centuries by Brooke Guest and Leus du Plooy helped Derbyshire total 260 all out on the opening day of their LV= County Championship match against Nottinghamshire, for whom leading wicket-taker Dane Paterson finished with three for 36.

After being asked to bat first on a heavily green-tinged pitch, and facing a trio of international fast bowlers in Stuart Broad, James Pattinson and Paterson, Derbyshire will feel they could have done much worse, particularly after leading scorer Shan Masood - who still hopes to become the first player since Graeme Hick in 1988 to aggregate 1,000 first-class runs before the end of May - suffered a rare failure.

Australian former Test bowler Pattinson (2-85), his dander up after twice being hooked for six, bowled with real pace and there was plenty of aggression from Broad (2-36) in the last of his three Championship appearances before his Test recall against New Zealand next month.

On the down side for Derbyshire, they are without three senior bowlers with Suranga Lakmal, Anuj Dal and Ryan Sidebottom all injured. Nottinghamshire began their reply with 22 without loss from three overs, all the runs off the bat being scored by Ben Slater (18).

Pakistan Test opener Masood, whose seven previous innings included three centuries, two of them doubles, and only one score under 62, this time fell on 18, caught behind pushing at a ball from Pattinson that found a thin edge.

His dismissal leaves him on 844 runs for the season, still with an outside chance to make history as the earliest to reach the magical 1,000 in May, although he has only the second innings of this match in which to do it because the rest of the month is given over to the Vitality Blast.

After Masood's dismissal, Derbyshire slipped to 41 for three when Paterson removed Billy Godleman and Wayne Madsen with consecutive balls.

Godleman was caught at third slip before Madsen nibbled at one that left him late to be caught behind, yet new man Du Plooy helped Guest steer a path to 89 for three at lunch, the latter miscuing Pattinson for six over the short boundary on the Bridgford Road side.

After the interval, Guest completed a 68-ball half-century but was not able to build on it, losing his middle stump to a quick ball from Broad that deflected off his bottom hand.

After lunch, Du Plooy followed guest in losing his wicket soon after passing fifty, leg before playing back to a ball from Steven Mullaney, but Derbyshire added 102 runs in the session.

Slater took a stunning boundary catch to deny former Derbyshire teammate Luis Reece a half-century, before being given a rare opportunity to bowl his off-spin and claiming his maiden Championship wicket with his first ball as Tom Moores stumped Alex Thomson.

After the second new ball was taken, Alex Hughes became a second victim for Broad when he was lbw to a full delivery but he and debutant Liam Hurt - the fast bowler on loan from Lancashire - had added 27 to secure a second batting point. Paterson and spinner Liam Patterson-White picked up the last two wickets.

Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge

19-22 May 2022



Brooke Guest & Nick Potts

Nottinghamshire will begin day three of this LV= Insurance County Championship match with a lead of 74 after a day that began with a flurry of boundaries turned at times into an attritional battle that reflected well on an inexperienced Derbyshire attack.

Ben Duckett top scored with 86 but although every other Nottinghamshire batter bar Haseeb Hameed was able to build the foundations of an innings, none was able to make a score of real substance.

Although a couple of dismissals could be put down to poor shots, the hard work put in by 23-year-old Sam Connors (3-80), 19-year-old Nick Potts (2-39) in leading a makeshift seam attack earned its rewards.

Off-spinner Alex Thomson also picked up two wickets and the only disappointments for Derbyshire is that three catches went down and there were periods when runs were conceded too easily.

Ben Slater and Hameed were quickly into their stride, taking it in turn to find the boundary as Liam Hurt and Connors strove to find the right lengths but Nottinghamshire's progress was jolted as Connors dismissed both openers in the space of 14 deliveries. Hameed fell to a brilliant one-handed catch low to his left by Wayne Madsen at second slip before Slater pushed at a ball that he could only feather through to 'keeper Brooke Guest.

Duckett and Clarke added 84 for the third wicket either side of lunch, Duckett looking in ominously fluent form as he completed a sixth half-century from nine innings this season before Clarke, dropped at short mid-wicket off Alex Hughes on 31, dragged the ball on to his stumps reaching for a wide delivery by Potts to fall for 37.

The left-handed Duckett seemed poised for a second hundred of the campaign as he quickly moved into the 80s but after a reverse sweep against Thomson brought him a 12th boundary the off-spinner exacted revenge almost immediately.

Going on to the back foot in anticipation of a ball he could cut, Duckett was presented instead with a full delivery that bowled him.

Derbyshire's joy at removing another of their opponents' most potent batting threats had to be set against another injury setback, with Luis Reece leaving the field after being unable to complete his ninth over, and two more dropped catches, both by Thomson at first slip, sparing Lyndon James first on six and again on 13.

Nottinghamshire lost their fifth wicket when Steven Mullaney edged behind to give Potts a second wicket and were only five runs in front when Thomson made some amends for his errors in the field by dismissing James, inducing an edge that Madsen snapped up at slip.

Thereafter, Nottinghamshire contented themselves with grinding out whatever advantage they could accrue. When Tom Moores slapped a wide long-hop from Madsen's off-spin through backward point to secure a third batting point it was a first boundary for 20 overs.

Moores made 40 from 79 balls before he was caught behind down the legside as Connors bowled his second over with the second new ball before bad light terminated play with 14.5 of the scheduled overs unbowed.

Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge

19-22 May 2022



Alex Hughes

Derbyshire defied Nottinghamshire's push for a three-day victory with a final session fightback in the LV= Insurance County Championship match at Trent Bridge.

Trailing by 98 on first innings, Derbyshire slipped to 161 for seven, putting the home side within sight of the fourth win of the season that would take them back to the top of the Division Two table before attention turns to the Vitality Blast next week.

But Alex Hughes, a late call-up to the Derbyshire XI after Anuj Dal was injured on Thursday morning, led a show of post-tea resistance, sharing an eighth-wicket stand of 90 - the highest of the match from either side - with fast bowler Liam Hurt before Derbyshire were all out for 262, leaving Nottinghamshire still with work to do on the final day chasing 165 to win.

Hurt, making his Derbyshire debut on loan from Lancashire, posted a career-best 49 before he was caught behind off former Australian Test bowler James Pattinson. Hughes also missed out by one on a half-century when he was bowled by Pattinson, who took three for 59 with Dane Paterson finishing with three for 35.

Earlier, 19-year-old seamer Nick Potts, in only his third first-class match, took four for 50, his best return so far, and 23-year-old Sam Connors four for 93 as Nottinghamshire were bowled out for 358 in their first innings.

Potts struck in the first full over of the morning as Liam Patterson-White was leg before trying to work one, falling on 39. Broad was bowled by Connors making room for himself before Pattinson, having sent the previous delivery soaring over deep backward square for six, was caught at deep midwicket as he tried to clear the ropes again, giving Potts his fourth wicket.

Nottinghamshire's first-innings lead looked still better when Broad then pinned Shan Masood in front for a third-ball duck, bringing an abrupt end to the Pakistan opener's outside hope of completing 1,000 first-class runs in May. He remains on 844.

Brooke Guest was leg before to a ball from Dane Paterson that kept rather low, after which Billy Godleman's third-wicket partnership with Wayne Madsen was beginning to look durable when Godleman, whose 27 had taken him past 10,000 all-format runs for Derbyshire, fell into a trap set by Paterson and was caught on the hook.

Madsen cut Steven Mullaney for three boundaries as Derbyshire wiped out the first-innings arrears yet two wickets in the space of seven deliveries saw them suddenly five down and only 26 in front.

Madsen moved past fifty for the sixth time this season but then wafted at a ball from James to be caught behind, plunging Derbyshire into seemingly terminal decline at tea, effectively 40 for six.

Patterson-White had Alex Thomson lbw on the back foot as Derbyshire slipped into more trouble but, one low chance to Moores on 23 apart, Hurt stuck with Hughes impressively and their efforts kept Derbyshire in the game against the odds.

Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge

19-22 May 2022



Liam Hurt

Nottinghamshire made impressive work of chasing down what might have been a tricky fourth-innings target to complete a 10-wicket victory over neighbours Derbyshire in the LV= Insurance County Championship.

Haseeb Hameed made 93 and Ben Slater 64, the openers sharing an unbroken partnership of 167 to see their team home within a single session - albeit one extended by almost 20 minutes to avoid the players having to return after lunch.

The Trent Bridge side take 23 points but their fourth win in six matches so far was not enough to dislodge Middlesex from the top of the Division Two table.

Derbyshire suffered their first defeat under the stewardship of new head coach Mickey Arthur, although given their depleted bowling ranks they always faced a tough task against a strong Nottinghamshire line-up.

Two of the bowlers due to start this match, Suranga Lakmal and Anuj Dal, dropped out injured at the 11th hour, Dal as late as Thursday morning, after the original team sheet had been submitted. Another, Luis Reece, suffered a groin injury after bowling less than nine overs in the first innings.

Hameed set a positive tone by dispatching the first ball of the day through midwicket for four off Sam Connors and the scoring rate never dropped below four runs per over. The former Lancashire opener, who made his first century of the season against Middlesex at Lord's last week, had one sizeable stroke of luck on 70 when he swung hard at a ball from Nick Potts that went straight through the hands of Alex Thomson at slip.

The first 10 of his 12 fours had come from largely orthodox shots but having gone past fifty he was keen to get the job done as quickly as possible, clearing the ropes in consecutive overs off Thomson's off spin, the first time with a soaring blow over deep midwicket, the second over the much shorter boundary at extra cover.

Slater, who offered a difficult chance to short leg off Thomson on 31, was almost sedate by comparison, needing 108 balls to pass fifty for the second time this season.

The only frustration for Nottinghamshire was that Hameed could not get on strike to complete a century when Leus du Plooy bowled what would be the final over, Slater striking two boundaries to see them over the line.

Derbyshire's fears that their first-innings 260 would prove to be a below-par total, even against an attack boasting three past and present Test bowlers after being asked to bat first, were seen to be well founded when Nottinghamshire posted 358 in reply.

With 19-year-old fast bowler Nick Potts again showing himself to be a promising newcomer, claiming a career-best four for 50 in his third first-class match, they were at least able to take the match into a fourth day.

Nottinghamshire, three without loss overnight, might have had expected the odd wobble chasing 165 to win but in the end were able to stroll home in the face of what can only be described as a disappointing effort by the visitors.

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Derbyshire 1st Innings	Nottinghamshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Nottinghamshire 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
S Masood	c Moores b Pattinson	18	24	41	2 0
BA Godleman*	c James b Paterson	11	57	75	1 0
BD Guest†	b Broad	51	74	110	6 1
WL Madsen	c Moores b Paterson	0	1	2	0 0
JL du Plooy	lbw b Mullaney	57	121	166	7 0
LM Reece	c Slater b Pattinson	49	99	140	8 0
AL Hughes	lbw b Broad	33	78	105	2 1
AT Thomson	st Moores b Slater	4	30	32	0 0
LJ Hurt	lbw b Patterson-White	13	36	46	1 0
NJ Potts	b Paterson	7	22	26	1 0
S Conners	not out	0	5	5	0 0
Extras	(b 6, lb 2, w 1, nb 8)	17			
Total	for 10 wickets in 90.3 overs	260	547	376	28 2
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO Wd Nb
SCJ Broad	19	5	36	2	1.89 0 0
JL Pattinson	20	2	85	2	4.25 0 4
D Paterson	16.3	5	36	3	2.18 1 0
LW James	10	0	38	0	3.80 0 0
SJ Mullaney	11	0	18	1	1.64 0 0
LA Patterson-White	12	2	32	1	2.67 0 0
BT Slater	2	1	7	1	3.50 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-21 (S Masood, 9.1 ov), 2-41 (BA Godleman, 16.4 ov), 3-41 (WL Madsen, 16.5 ov), 4-110 (BD Guest, 34.6 ov), 5-181 (JL du Plooy, 58.3 ov), 6-215 (LM Reece, 69.3 ov), 7-225 (AT Thomson, 78.1 ov), 8-252 (AL Hughes, 84.3 ov), 9-260 (LJ Hurt, 89.1 ov), 10-260 (NJ Potts, 90.3 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Nottinghamshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Nottinghamshire 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
BT Slater	c Guest b Conners	38	44	57	8 0
H Hameed	c Madsen b Conners	15	29	38	3 0
BM Duckett	b Thomson	86	114	158	12 0
JM Clarke	b Potts	37	63	92	3 0
LW James	c Madsen b Thomson	34	96	124	4 0
SJ Mullaney*	c Guest b Potts	27	33	43	4 0
TJ Moore†	c Guest b Conners	40	79	94	4 0
LA Patterson-White	lbw b Potts	39	59	75	3 0
JL Pattinson	c Hughes b Potts	21	13	32	3 1
SCJ Broad	b Conners	3	12	13	0 0
D Paterson	not out	0	2	4	0 0
Extras	(lb 2, nb 16)	18			
Total	for 10 wickets in 89.2 overs	358	544	367	44 1
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO Wd Nb
S Conners	22	2	93	4	4.23 0 1
LJ Hurt	14	0	76	0	5.43 0 2
LM Reece	8.4	1	34	0	3.92 0 5
AL Hughes	11	0	44	0	4.00 0 0
NJ Potts	15.2	1	50	4	3.26 0 0
AT Thomson	16.2	1	49	2	3.00 0 0
WL Madsen	2	0	10	0	5.00 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-55 (H Hameed, 8.5 ov), 2-76 (BT Slater, 12.5 ov), 3-160 (JM Clarke, 34.3 ov), 4-204 (BM Duckett, 45.6 ov), 5-249 (SJ Mullaney, 56.4 ov), 6-265 (LW James, 65.6 ov), 7-321 (TJ Moores, 82.5 ov), 8-347 (LA Patterson-White, 85.4 ov), 9-352 (SCJ Broad, 88.4 ov), 10-358 (JL Pattinson, 89.2 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Nottinghamshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Nottinghamshire 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
S Masood	lbw b Broad	0	3	2	0 0
BA Godleman*	c sub (C Harrison) b Paterson	27	115	160	3 0
BD Guest†	lbw b Paterson	23	59	83	3 0
WL Madsen	c Moores b James	52	75	142	9 0
JL du Plooy	lbw b James	22	41	43	3 0
LM Reece	c Moores b Pattinson	1	6	7	0 0
AL Hughes	b Pattinson	49	124	155	3 0
AT Thomson	lbw b Patterson-White	17	37	33	1 0
LJ Hurt	c Moores b Pattinson	49	64	94	6 0
NJ Potts	b Paterson	8	23	31	0 0
S Conners	not out	0	14	20	0 0
Extras	(b 1, lb 7, nb 6)	14			
Total	for 10 wickets in 93 overs	262	561	387	28 0
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO Wd Nb
SCJ Broad	17	5	47	1	2.76 0 0
JL Pattinson	21	5	59	3	2.81 0 3
LA Patterson-White	20	1	61	1	3.05 0 0
D Paterson	21	6	35	3	1.67 0 0
SJ Mullaney	4	0	26	0	6.50 0 0
LW James	10	1	26	2	2.60 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-0 (S Masood, 0.3 ov), 2-36 (BD Guest, 20.4 ov), 3-81 (BA Godleman, 36.1 ov), 4-123 (JL du Plooy, 46.2 ov), 5-124 (LM Reece, 47.2 ov), 6-138 (WL Madsen, 50.4 ov), 7-161 (AT Thomson, 61.6 ov), 8-251 (LJ Hurt, 85.4 ov), 9-254 (AL Hughes, 87.6 ov), 10-262 (NJ Potts, 92.6 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Nottinghamshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Nottinghamshire 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
BT Slater	not out	64	127	149	6 0
H Hameed	not out	93	96	149	12 2
BM Duckett					
JM Clarke					
LW James					
SJ Mullaney*					
TJ Moore†					
LA Patterson-White					
JL Pattinson					
SCJ Broad					
D Paterson					
Extras	(lb 1, w 1, nb 8)	10			
Total	for 0 wickets in 36.3 overs	167	223	149	18 2
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO Wd Nb
S Conners	5	0	16	0	3.20 0 1
AT Thomson	12	4	48	0	4.00 0 0
LJ Hurt	6	0	34	0	5.67 0 2
WL Madsen	6	2	16	0	2.67 0 0
NJ Potts	7	0	43	0	6.14 0 1
JL du Plooy	0.3	0	9	0	18.00 1 0

Derbyshire v Middlesex at Queen's Park

12-15 June 2022



Toby Pettman

Luke Hollman and Ethan Bamber rescued Division Two leaders Middlesex on the opening day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Derbyshire at Chesterfield.

Hollman made 48 and Bamber a career-best unbeaten 37 to take Middlesex to 251 after they slipped to 171 for 7.

Fast bowler Toby Pettman took 3-40 on his championship debut and Anuj Dal returned the outstanding figures of 2 for 13 from 15 overs, 11 of them maidens.

In reply, Derbyshire moved to 28 without loss at stumps, 223 behind with Pakistani batter Shan Masood unbeaten on 27.

Derbyshire brought in Pettman, on loan from neighbours Nottinghamshire, and he saw both openers dropped in his fourth over of a breezy morning. Sam Robson was put down at second slip by Wayne Madsen and then Stoneman survived a sharp chance to third slip off the next ball.

Robson did not profit, trapped on the crease by a ball from Reece that came back to give the all-rounder his 100th first-class wicket for Derbyshire.

Dal and Mark Watt bowled with control to dry up the runs and both were rewarded with Stoneman edging low to second slip where Madsen this time made no mistake. Watt celebrated his first wicket in first-class cricket in more than four years when Eskinazi got an inside edge onto his stumps as he stretched forward in defence.

Derbyshire struck again after lunch when Max Holden was well caught behind down the legside as he tried to glance a wide ball to give Pettman his maiden championship wicket.

Alex Thomson removed Simpson who edged a drive which looked to have gone over Madsen until he leapt to grab the ball with his left hand to claim his 200th first-class catch for Derbyshire.

Rob White played with good judgement, facing 83 balls for his 26, and it took a final ball from Dal to remove him, extra bounce finding the outside edge to give Brooke Guest a second victim.

When Toby Roland-Jones played across the line at Reece, Middlesex were still 25 short of a batting point but Hollman and Bamber took the visitors beyond 200.

Hollman was two away from a half-century when he pushed at a flighted delivery from Watt to give Madsen another catch and Thilan Walallawita was caught behind swinging wildly at Pettman.

Bamber pulled Pettman for four to secure a second batting point before Tim Murtagh sliced to third man where Madsen pounced his fourth catch.

That left Derbyshire with a potentially awkward eight overs to negotiate but the in-form Masood reeled off several classy strokes to round off a decent day for the home side.

Derbyshire v Middlesex at Queen's Park

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A superb spell from Middlesex fast bowler Toby Roland-Jones completely changed the course of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Derbyshire at Chesterfield.

Roland-Jones took 5 for 14 in seven overs as Derbyshire lost their last seven wickets for 21 to crumble to 229 all out.

Derbyshire had looked in control when Wayne Madsen, 62, and Brook Guest, 40 were together but Roland-Jones finished with 5 for 45 to earn Middlesex a first innings lead of 22.

An unbeaten 60 from Mark Stoneman increased that to 117 by the close of day two but at 95 for 3, the game is still in the balance.

A batting collapse looked unlikely when Shan Masood was caressing the ball to various parts of Queen's Park at the start of another cool and windy day.

Masood came into the match with 844 first-class runs to his name this season and he eased the second ball of the morning from Tim Murtagh to the cover boundary. A straight drive brought him four more in the same over but Ethan Bamber first checked the run flow and then claimed the prize wicket of Masood who edged a drive to first slip.

Billy Godleman began to play more expansively after Masood's dismissal but his innings ended tamely when he came down the pitch to the first ball from Thilan Walallawita and chipped back a return catch.

Derbyshire did not lose another wicket for 25 overs as Madsen and Guest added 82 to raise their hopes of taking a substantial first innings lead.

But the bowlers never lost their discipline and after Bamber found enough movement to beat Guest's forward defensive, a change of ball changed the shape of the game.

After Madsen drove Bamber for his ninth four to reach his 100th 50 in all formats for Derbyshire, the umpires swapped the ball and Roland-Jones ripped through the home side. Running in from the Pavilion End, he tempted Madsen into a drive that was taken at gully to spark an astonishing decline.

After Leus du Plooy edged Murtagh low to first slip, Roland-Jones beat Anuj Dal's drive and then trapped Alex Thomson lbw as he played across the line.

Late movement accounted for Mark Watt before Sam Connors was struck in front and although Luis Reece drove and pulled Murtagh for two fours, Derbyshire were still in arrears when he holed out to deep mid-wicket.

The momentum was now with Middlesex although Reece made an early breakthrough when Sam Robson got an inside edge onto his leg stump.

Left-arm spinner Watt was getting some turn and bounce which accounted for Stephen Eskinazi who edged to slip with Middlesex's lead still below a hundred.

Stoneman became the second batsmen in the match to pass 50 but Dal had Rob White caught behind shortly before the close to keep Derbyshire in the contest.

Derbyshire v Middlesex at Queen's Park 12-15 June 2022



Shan Masood

Another majestic innings from Shan Masood took Derbyshire to an impressive six wicket win over Middlesex on day three of the LV=Insurance County Championship match at Chesterfield.

The Pakistan left-hander scored 98 from 113 balls as Derbyshire chased down 219 to inflict a first defeat of the season on the Division Two leaders.

Middlesex lost their last seven wickets for 101 runs to slip to 196 all out with Luis Reece taking 3 for 26 and Anuj Dal 3 for 50 including Mark Stoneman who top scored with 67.

Masood was dropped twice before he fell nine short of 1,000 first-class runs for the season but an unbeaten 49 from Wayne Madsen steered Derbyshire to 222 for 4 and a 20 point win.

Although nightwatchman Ethan Bamber and Max Holden both swept left arm spinner Mark Watt for six, both had gone by the interval. Bamber batted selectively until he chased a wide ball from Dal and was caught at point and Middlesex suffered a self-inflicted blow six overs later.

John Simpson was left stranded after Holden clipped to midwicket and set off for a run with both batters at the same end when Masood's throw arrived in Brook Guest's gloves.

Holden was probably keen to avoid returning to the pavilion for a while but after driving Alex Thomson over long on to take the lead past 200, he tried to repeat the shot in the penultimate over before lunch and Billy Godleman held a swirling catch at cover.

Middlesex failed to stick or twist after lunch, losing their last three wickets for seven runs in six overs to disciplined bowling. Luke Hollman chipped Reece to midwicket and after Thilan Walwallawita missed a pull at Watt, and Tim Murtagh was caught behind.

It was not a straight-forward chase and it did not begin well with Godleman run-out in the fourth over by Holden's throw from cover after Masood sent him back.

But Masood was always going to be the key so when he was dropped on 18 low at first slip by Stephen Eskinazi off Toby Roland-Jones in the next over it felt like a pivotal moment. Middlesex must have sensed that when Masood effortlessly on drove Bamber for one of the eight fours that took him to yet another 50.

Roland-Jones found some extra bounce to have Guest caught behind but crucially Masood was on 55 at tea with Derbyshire needing another 130 to win.

Middlesex had to strike early to have a chance but they dropped Masood again when Sam Robson failed to cling on to a fierce cut at gully of Roland-Jones with the opener on 76. Two more imperious boundaries took him into the nineties and a drive down the ground to the brink of a century before he cut Bamber low to gully where Robson this time made no mistake.

Derbyshire had lost their last seven wickets for 21 on the second day but Madsen and a late flourish from Reece made sure there was no way back for Middlesex whose own second innings collapse proved costly.

Derbyshire v Middlesex at Queen's Park

12-15 June 2022 Scorecard

Middlesex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Middlesex 2nd Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
SD Robson	lbw b Reece	10	36	52	1	0		
MD Stoneman	c Madsen b Dal	37	68	103	6	0		
SS Eskinazi	b Watt	29	51	61	5	0		
RG White	c Guest b Dal	26	83	105	5	0		
MDE Holden	c Guest b Pettman	7	23	28	1	0		
JA Simpson†	c Madsen b Thomson	19	39	43	3	1		
LBK Hollman	c Madsen b Watt	48	96	123	7	0		
TS Roland-Jones	lbw b Reece	7	28	35	1	0		
ER Bamber	not out	37	74	93	5	0		
TN Walallawita	c Guest b Pettman	1	4	9	0	0		
TJ Murtagh*	c Madsen b Pettman	15	15	19	2	0		
Extras	(b 4, lb 7, nb 4)	15						
Total	for 10 wickets in 85.5 overs	251	517	337	36	1		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Connors		8	1	41	0	5.13	0	1
THS Pettman		14.5	5	40	3	2.70	0	0
LM Reece		12	5	41	2	3.42	0	0
AT Thomson		20	5	58	1	2.90	0	0
AK Dal		15	11	13	2	0.87	0	1
MRJ Watt		16	4	47	2	2.94	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-36 (SD Robson, 12.2 ov), 2-81 (MD Stoneman, 24.4 ov), 3-81 (SS Eskinazi, 27.1 ov), 4-101 (MDE Holden, 35.1 ov), 5-131 (JA Simpson, 47.2 ov), 6-149 (RG White, 52.6 ov), 7-175 (TS Roland-Jones, 62.4 ov), 8-219 (LBK Hollman, 79.6 ov), 9-225 (TN Walallawita, 81.6 ov), 10-251 (TJ Murtagh, 85.5 ov)								

Middlesex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Middlesex 2nd Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood	c Eskinazi b Bamber	49	49	64	<u>9</u>	0		
BA Godleman*	c & b Walallawita	34	73	100	<u>6</u>	0		
BD Guest†	b Bamber	40	108	131	<u>3</u>	0		
WL Madsen	c Robson b Roland-Jones	62	89	124	<u>11</u>	0		
JL du Plooy	c Eskinazi b Murtagh	13	19	32	0	<u>1</u>		
LM Reece	c Holden b Murtagh	14	27	52	<u>3</u>	0		
AK Dal	b Roland-Jones	6	10	13	<u>1</u>	0		
AT Thomson	lbw b Roland-Jones	0	7	10	0	0		
MRJ Watt	c Eskinazi b Roland-Jones	1	14	16	0	0		
S Connors	lbw b Roland-Jones	0	2	2	0	0		
THS Pettman	not out	0	3	6	0	0		
Extras	(lb 10)	10						
Total	for 10 wickets in 66.5 overs	229	401	277	33	1		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
TJ Murtagh	18.5	3	57	<u>2</u>	3.03	0	0	
TS Roland-Jones	17	7	45	<u>5</u>	2.65	0	0	
TN Walallawita	11	1	45	<u>1</u>	4.09	0	0	
ER Bamber	15	4	39	<u>2</u>	2.60	0	0	
LBK Hollman	5	0	33	0	6.60	0	0	
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-63 (S Masood, 15.6 ov), 2-93 (BA Godleman, 24.1 ov), 3-175 (BD Guest, 49.5 ov), 4-208 (WL Madsen, 55.6 ov), 5-208 (JL du Plooy, 56.2 ov), 6-215 (AK Dal, 59.1 ov), 7-215 (AT Thomson, 61.2 ov), 8-229 (MRJ Watt, 65.1 ov), 9-229 (S Connors, 65.3 ov), 10-229 (LM Reece, 66.5 ov)								

Middlesex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Middlesex 2nd Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
MD Stoneman	c Guest b Dal	67	138	172	10	1		
SD Robson	b Reece	13	32	39	3	0		
SS Eskinazi	c Madsen b Watt	8	32	37	1	0		
RG White	c Guest b Dal	13	38	54	1	0		
ER Bamber	c Connors b Dal	27	56	74	4	1		
MDE Holden	c Godleman b Thomson	45	62	84	4	2		
JA Simpson†	run out (Khan/Guest)	6	15	22	1	0		
LBK Hollman	c Khan b Reece	5	28	38	0	0		
TS Roland-Jones	not out	1	23	29	0	0		
TN Walallawita	lbw b Watt	3	7	12	0	0		
TJ Murtagh*	c Guest b Reece	0	8	7	0	0		
Extras	(lb 4, nb 4)	8						
Total	for 10 wickets in 72.5 overs	196	439	286	24	4		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Connors		3	0	15	0	5.00	0	0
THS Pettman		5	0	23	0	4.60	0	1
LM Reece		16.5	6	26	3	1.54	0	0
AK Dal		12	1	50	3	4.17	0	1
MRJ Watt		23	11	44	2	1.91	0	0
AT Thomson		13	3	34	1	2.62	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-36 (SD Robson, 9.3 ov), 2-71 (SS Eskinazi, 20.6 ov), 3-95 (RG White, 34.5 ov), 4-118 (MD Stoneman, 44.5 ov), 5-157 (ER Bamber, 52.6 ov), 6-170 (JA Simpson, 58.1 ov), 7-188 (MDE Holden, 65.3 ov), 8-190 (LBK Hollman, 68.2 ov), 9-193 (TN Walallawita, 71.2 ov), 10-196 (TJ Murtagh, 72.5 ov)								

Middlesex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Middlesex 2nd Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood	c Robson b Bamber	98	113	155	<u>15</u>	0		
BA Godleman*	run out (Holden/Simpson)	2	9	15	0	0		
BD Guest†	c Simpson b Murtagh	10	31	39	2	0		
WL Madsen	not out	49	114	170	<u>6</u>	0		
JL du Plooy	c White b Murtagh	25	28	29	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>		
LM Reece	not out	35	34	41	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>		
AK Dal								
AT Thomson								
MRJ Watt								
S Connors								
THS Pettman								
Extras	(lb 1, nb 2)	3						
Total	for <u>4 wickets</u> in 54.4 overs	222	329	226	<u>29</u>	<u>3</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
TS Roland-Jones		14	0	49	0	3.50	0	1
ER Bamber		14.4	3	65	<u>1</u>	4.43	0	0
TN Walallawita		7	0	31	0	4.43	0	0
TJ Murtagh		11	0	29	<u>2</u>	2.64	0	0
LBK Hollman		8	0	47	0	5.88	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-18 (BA Godleman, 3.4 ov), 2-49 (BD Guest, 12.6 ov), 3-145 (S Masood, 37.5 ov), 4-178 (JL du Plooy, 44.1 ov)								

Derbyshire v Sussex at Hove 26-29 June 2022

Day One Report



Wayne Madsen

Wayne Madsen became only the third Derbyshire batsmen to score three consecutive hundreds against the same county as his side enjoyed a good first day against Sussex in the LV= Insurance County Championship at Hove.

Sussex, seeking their first Championship win since April 2021, had the better of the morning session when they reduced Derbyshire to 83 for four, but Madsen didn't offer a chance on an easy-paced pitch as he progressed serenely to his 34th first-class century for the county. Only Kim Barnett (53) has scored more.

By the close Madsen was 171 not out – the highest score by a Derbyshire batsman in Sussex - as they closed on 336 for five from 97 overs.

Derbyshire elected to bat first but lost Billy Godleman and Brooke Guest during a lively opening spell by left-armers Sean Hunt. Godleman offered a low catch to slip after Hunt found some late away movement while Guest lost his middle stump off a big inside edge attempting an expansive drive.

At the other end, Shan Masood became the first player to lodge 1,000 first-class runs this season when he reached nine and the prolific Pakistan batsman looked in the mood to make another big contribution, especially when he was badly dropped by wicketkeeper Oli Carter on 43 in Tom Haines' first over.

Fortunately for Sussex it did not prove an expensive miss. Masood had added three more runs when he was pinned on his crease during an excellent spell down the slope by Steve Finn, who was making his first Championship appearance since the meeting at Derby in April. In his 12th innings Masood did become the quickest Derbyshire batsman to reach 1,000, beating the previous record by Peter Kirsten of 16 in 1980.

Haines was rewarded for his accuracy when he went round the wicket to Luis du Plooy and uprooted his leg stump as the batsman offered no shot.

Haines should have been celebrating again when Luis Reece, with just a single to his name, drove to mid on but Hunt failed to hold onto the catch as he dived forward.

On this occasion it was to prove a costly drop as Reece and Madsen added 120 in 36 overs. Sussex's seven-man attack plugged away but there was little assistance once the ball went soft and it took a misjudgement on Reece's part to end the stand shortly after he'd reached his fifty, when he top-edged a sweep at Delray Rawlins and lobbed up a simple catch to Carter.

Madsen drove Archie Lenham through the covers shortly after tea to bring up his 40th hundred in all formats for Derbyshire – only Barnett (66) has scored more – and Derbyshire's 999th first-class century.

Sussex took the new ball immediately it became available, but the remorseless Madsen soon had Sussex back on the defensive again as he was joined in another productive partnership by Anuj Dal, who has contributed 45 to a stand of 136 in 40 overs.

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Day Two Report



Anuj Dal

Derbyshire's batsmen ran amok to place their side in total control on the second day of their LV= Insurance County Championship match at Hove. They piled up 551 for eight before declaring and at the close Sussex were 142 for three in reply.

The Sussex bowlers toiled on a flat pitch and on a warm day and their worst period was after lunch, by which time Derbyshire were seven wickets down. Sussex did take an eighth wicket. But then Anuj Dal (146 not out) and Mark Watt (55 not out) thumped a century partnership off just 115 balls. Their unbroken stand of 108 in 20 overs is a new ninth wicket record for Derbyshire against Sussex, beating the partnership between Maynard Ashcroft and Joe Humphries at Hove in 1904, a match in which the great CB Fry scored a double century.

In their partnership Dal, who scored his second century of the season from 236 deliveries, and Watt appeared to score at will and at one period Sussex captain Tom Haines handed over control of his side to Steve Finn. Haines had left the field for a spell but when he returned he fielded at long-off while Finn talked to the bowlers and set the fields.

A Sussex spokesman said: "It was easier for Finn to manage the field while Tom was on and off and preparing to bat." But there was a sense of frustration among the spectators. "Come on," one shouted, angrily, after a misfield. Sussex did succeed in changing the ball, but it didn't make any difference.

Sussex are looking for their first championship victory since April 2021. That looks well beyond them already and it didn't get much better when they batted. Ali Orr was bowled for five by Sam Connors, who then dismissed Haines, driving, for 17. But then Tom Alsop (44) and Mohammad Rizwan (54 not out) added 95 before Alsop fell to a juggling catch at midwicket shortly before the close.

Derbyshire had resumed on 339 for five, with Wayne Madsen on 171 and Dal unbeaten on 45. The batsmen had already put on 136 and soon added the three runs needed to make it a sixth wicket record for the county against Sussex.

Sussex opened their attack with Sean Hunt and Jack Brooks and, for the first hour at least, bowled with purpose and aggression. Dal edged Hunt between wicketkeeper Oli Carter and first slip Tom Alsop to reach his fifty.

But Madsen had added just five runs to his score when he was dismissed by a fine delivery from Brooks. Madsen was surprised by the extra pace and bounce and edged to first slip where Alsop took a good catch high to his left. Madsen had faced 263 deliveries and hit 19 fours and a six.

Derbyshire were 390 for seven when Hayden Kerr, making his championship debut for the county, was lbw to Delray Rawlins as he attempted to pull. They reached lunch on 430 for seven, with Dal unbeaten on 89. Sussex took the eighth wicket when Rawlins drifted the ball into Alex Thomson's pads to have him lbw for 27. But that was about as good as it got for Sussex.

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Day Three Report



Derbyshire's surprising decision not to enforce the follow-on against Sussex reduced their chances of winning a match they had dominated – and even gave their opponents an outside chance of pulling off an astonishing victory.

When Sussex were bowled out for 337 in this LV= Insurance County Championship match, losing their last five wickets for 38 runs and their last three in the space of four Hayden Kerr deliveries to concede a first innings advantage of 214, they looked down and out and not relishing the prospect of being put back in.

But Derbyshire decided to bat again and when they slumped to 54 for five, with Jack Brooks putting in a four wicket burst, Sussex sensed the chance to pinch an outrageous win. Billy Godleman was well caught by Tom Alsop at first slip off Sean Hunt in the second over. That means the Derbyshire captain has 213 championship runs in 13 innings this season for an average of 16.38.

Then Brooks stepped up. He had Brooke Guest lbw for eight before dismissing the first innings hero Wayne Madsen first ball, caught behind. In his next over Brooks dismissed Leus du Plooy, who mis-cued to midwicket, and in his next over Shan Masood dragged a wide ball onto his stumps.

Anuj Dal and Kerr fell near the close and Derbyshire closed on 127 for seven, a lead of 341. They are still favourites to win the game but Sussex can now see an escape route.

Sussex had started the third day on 142 for three, chasing a target of 402 to avoid the follow-on, with Mohammad Rizwan unbeaten on 54 and the in-form Oli Carter 14. Carter was dropped at first slip by Madsen off Sam Connors when he had made 26. Madsen should be forgiven, even by the most impatient of Derbyshire supporters. In all forms of cricket he has taken 313 catches for the county, placing 13th in Derbyshire's history – and seven of the 12 ahead of him were wicketkeepers.

Carter, who had scored a career best 185 and 83 in the county's previous championship fixture against Glamorgan in Cardiff, went on to reach his half-century from 88 deliveries, with six fours. But then he was bowled going back when he might have been forward to one from the impressive Mark Watt, who was signed as a t20 player but who now appears to be the side's number one red ball spinner.

The spotlight on Rizwan was getting brighter with the fall of each wicket at the other end. And, making the most of the short boundary at the east side of the ground, he went on to reach his first championship century for Sussex from 172 balls, with 18 fours.

Sussex lost their fifth wicket at 242 when Danial Ibrahim, half forward to one that turned from Watt, was bowled for six. Delray Rawlins is a lavishly talented player who has not always shown enough discipline for the red ball game. But he scored a half-century in Cardiff and here, against the spinners, he sensibly mixed aggression with patience. However, when Derbyshire took the new ball at 295 for five he was undone almost immediately, bowled through the gate by Dal as he played a loose drive. His 37 from 57 balls, with six fours and a six, was not what Sussex required.

Rizwan was lbw to Dal for a fine 130, with 22 fours, but the Sussex tail didn't wag, as Steve Finn fell second ball and Hunt to his first delivery.

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Day Four Report



Opener Ali Orr made a career-best 141 as Sussex pulled off a remarkable run chase against Derbyshire to claim their first win since April 2021 in the LV=County Championship.

Orr was superbly supported by Tom Alsop and Mohammad Rizwan, who made 55 and 76 not out respectively, as Sussex chased down a target of 342 in 76 overs to win by five wickets with 17 balls to spare at Hove.

Orr was caught on the mid-wicket boundary when Sussex still needed 68, but Rizwan – making his last appearance for the county before returning to international duty with Pakistan – saw them home in relative comfort.

Having had a first-innings lead of 214 just before tea on the third day Derbyshire will wonder how they lost the game.

But after electing not to enforce the follow-on they surrendered seven wickets in adding 127 to their lead on the third day and they were unable to bat Sussex out of the game by adding quick runs in the morning session today after 14 overs were lost to rain and the start delayed until 12.15pm.

But that should not take away from Sussex's achievement, and in particular the performance of left-hander Orr, who hit 15 fours and six sixes as he punished the bowlers every time they erred in line or length. It was an outstanding innings by the 21-year-old.

After skipper Tom Haines was lbw to the fourth ball from off-spinner Alex Thomson, having put on 47 for the first wicket, Orr and Alsop ticked along comfortably through the afternoon session and were always up with the asking rate of 4.5 runs an over.

They crucially picked up the tempo in some style in the four overs before tea by plundering 45 runs with Orr taking 17 off an over from Sam Connors before Alsop hit two sixes and two fours in striking Thomson for 20.

They added 140 in 36 overs with Alsop contributing 55, including six fours and two sixes, before he miscued a drive to mid-off off Anuj Dal shortly after tea.

But Rizwan immediately got into one-day mode as he picked up the tempo and the Derbyshire attack struggled to defend the short boundary on the scoreboard side. They weren't helped, either, by no fewer than six ball changes.

Although Rizwan was hampered by what looked like a hamstring injury shortly after reaching his fifty, he always had the chase under control, even when Orr departed to a standing ovation after he was caught on the mid-wicket boundary off Luis Reece, having faced 203 balls and batted for a shade under four hours.

Cameos from Delray Rawlins and Ollie Carter made sure Sussex didn't lose their way and Rizwan was unbeaten on 76 from 80 balls, with a six and nine fours, when Dan Ibrahim hit the winning boundary and Sussex could celebrate their first Championship victory since August 2020 and first in front of their supporters since August 2019.

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Scorecard



Derbyshire 1st Innings	Sussex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Sussex 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood	lbw b Finn	46	51	78	<u>8</u>	0		
BA Godleman*	c Alsop b Hunt	6	17	16	<u>1</u>	0		
BD Guest†	b Hunt	2	10	16	0	0		
WL Madsen	c Alsop b Brooks	176	263	350	<u>19</u>	<u>1</u>		
JL du Plooy	b Haines	4	11	12	<u>1</u>	0		
LM Reece	c Carter b Rawlins	52	117	132	<u>8</u>	0		
AK Dal	not out	146	280	339	<u>16</u>	0		
H Kerr	lbw b Rawlins	16	50	61	<u>2</u>	0		
AT Thomson	lbw b Rawlins	27	46	42	<u>4</u>	0		
MRJ Watt	not out	55	67	75	<u>7</u>	0		
S Conners								
Extras	(lb 7, w 2, nb 12)	21						
Total	for <u>8 wickets</u> dec in 151 overs	551	912	562	<u>66</u>	<u>1</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
JA Brooks		21	4	78	<u>1</u>	3.71	0	3
SF Hunt		25	4	68	<u>2</u>	2.72	0	0
ST Finn		25	2	96	<u>1</u>	3.84	0	0
DK Ibrahim		16	1	61	0	3.81	0	0
TJ Haines		15	4	36	<u>1</u>	2.40	0	0
DMW Rawlins		31	2	129	<u>3</u>	4.16	1	2
AD Lenham		18	0	76	0	4.22	0	1
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-12 (BA Godleman, 3.6 ov), 2-24 (BD Guest, 7.6 ov), 3-74 (S Masood, 18.4 ov), 4-83 (JL du Plooy, 21.4 ov), 5-203 (LM Reece, 57.4 ov), 6-353 (WL Madsen, 102.6 ov), 7-390 (H Kerr, 117.6 ov), 8-443 (AT Thomson, 131.3 ov)								

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Sussex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Sussex 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
AGH Orr	b Conners	5	12	9	1	0		
TJ Haines*	c Dal b Conners	17	11	22	4	0		
TP Alsop	c du Plooy b Reece	44	86	124	9	0		
Mohammad Rizwan	lbw b Dal	130	227	323	22	0		
OJ Carter†	b Watt	56	98	114	7	0		
DK Ibrahim	b Watt	6	20	28	1	0		
DMW Rawlins	b Dal	37	57	52	6	1		
AD Lenham	not out	9	30	61	1	0		
JA Brooks	b Kerr	21	28	39	4	0		
ST Finn	c Conners b Kerr	0	2	3	0	0		
SF Hunt	lbw b Kerr	0	1	2	0	0		
Extras	(b 1, lb 3, nb 8)	12						
Total	for 10 wickets in 94.4 overs	337	572	391	55	1		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners		17	1	94	2	5.53	0	2
H Kerr		18.4	2	63	3	3.38	0	0
AK Dal		19	5	40	2	2.11	0	0
LM Reece		13	1	57	1	4.38	0	2
MRJ Watt		21	9	56	2	2.67	0	0
AT Thomson		6	1	23	0	3.83	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-6 (AGH Orr, 2.1 ov), 2-27 (TJ Haines, 4.5 ov), 3-122 (TP Alsop, 32.1 ov), 4-213 (OJ Carter, 59.6 ov), 5-241 (DK Ibrahim, 67.5 ov), 6-299 (DMW Rawlins, 81.6 ov), 7-310 (Mohammad Rizwan, 85.1 ov), 8-337 (JA Brooks, 94.1 ov), 9-337 (ST Finn, 94.3 ov), 10-337 (SF Hunt, 94.4 ov)								

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Sussex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Sussex 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood	b Brooks	37	34	60	<u>3</u>	0		
BA Godleman*	c Alsop b Hunt	1	2	5	0	0		
BD Guest†	lbw b Brooks	8	31	31	<u>1</u>	0		
WL Madsen	c Carter b Brooks	0	1	2	0	0		
JL du Plooy	c Finn b Brooks	3	7	10	0	0		
LM Reece	not out	42	85	116	<u>5</u>	0		
AK Dal	c Carter b Hunt	12	54	72	0	0		
H Kerr	c Carter b Brooks	8	18	15	<u>1</u>	0		
AT Thomson	not out	5	16	17	<u>1</u>	0		
MRJ Watt								
S Conners								
Extras	(b 4, lb 3, nb 4)	11						
Total	for 7 <u>wickets</u> dec in 41 overs	127	248	166	<u>11</u>	0		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
JA Brooks		10	0	46	<u>5</u>	4.60	0	2
SF Hunt		9	1	23	<u>2</u>	2.56	0	0
AD Lenham		6	1	20	0	3.33	0	0
ST Finn		6	1	12	0	2.00	0	0
DMW Rawlins		10	3	19	0	1.90	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-4 (BA Godleman, 1.2 ov), 2-37 (BD Guest, 8.5 ov), 3-37 (WL Madsen, 8.6 ov), 4-47 (JL du Plooy, 10.6 ov), 5-54 (S Masood, 12.5 ov), 6-102 (AK Dal, 32.1 ov), 7-118 (H Kerr, 36.1 ov)								

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Sussex 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Sussex 2nd Innings					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
AGH Orr	c Kerr b Reece	141	203	253	15	6		
TJ Haines*	lbw b Thomson	20	29	38	3	0		
TP Alsop	c Godleman b Dal	55	91	139	6	2		
Mohammad Rizwan	not out	76	82	122	9	1		
DMW Rawlins	c Madsen b Reece	14	18	25	0	1		
OJ Carter†	lbw b Watt	23	15	14	2	2		
DK Ibrahim	not out	4	3	5	1	0		
AD Lenham								
JA Brooks								
ST Finn								
SF Hunt								
Extras	(b 3, lb 3, w 2, nb 4)	12						
Total	for 5 wickets in 73.1 overs	345	441	300	36	12		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners		6	1	44	0	7.33	0	1
H Kerr		6	0	19	0	3.17	0	0
AK Dal		6	0	26	1	4.33	0	1
AT Thomson		20	4	89	1	4.45	1	0
MRJ Watt		26.1	3	114	1	4.36	1	0
LM Reece		9	1	47	2	5.22	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-41 (TJ Haines, 8.4 ov), 2-181 (TP Alsop, 44.1 ov), 3-274 (AGH Orr, 62.5 ov), 4-308 (DMW Rawlins, 68.5 ov), 5-339 (OJ Carter, 71.6 ov)								

Derbyshire v Durham at Chester-le-Street

11-14 July 2022



Chris Rushworth marked his 36th birthday with his first five-wicket haul of the LV= Insurance County Championship season, taking figures of seven for 44 as Durham bowled out Derbyshire for 283 on day one of their clash at Seat Unique Riverside.

Rushworth was irrepressible after Durham opted to bowl first in sweltering conditions. He rose to the occasion to hold the visitors in check with a perfect line and length, despite a brilliant century from Leus Du Plooy. After a flurry of wickets, the left-hander rebuilt the Derbyshire innings with a stand of 166 with Anuj Dal, who produced a fine knock of 90, to frustrate the home side.

However, Rushworth returned with the new ball in the evening session to turn the momentum of the day with three wickets before debutant Stanley McAlindon cleaned up the tail to bowl out Derbyshire, leaving Du Plooy stranded on 122 not out.

Durham captain Scott Borthwick made a bold decision to field first in the heat and sunshine at the Riverside. But, Rushworth would reward his skipper and his team-mates with his best first spell of the term. The seamer found life in the pitch to trouble the Derbyshire openers, removing Luis Reece with inswinger lbw for five. Tom Mackintosh on debut behind the stumps then produced a brilliant diving catch to his left to hand Rushworth his second wicket as Billy Godleman departed for only three.

Durham capitalised on the absence of Shan Masood, who left the Derbyshire camp to join up with the Pakistan Test squad, reducing the visitors to 30 for three when Ben Raine found Wayne Madsen's outside edge. Brooke Guest and Du Plooy stabilised matters before lunch with a stand of 55, stymieing Durham's charge.

A refreshed Rushworth broke the partnership by bowling Guest for 29 and then cleaned up Hilton Cartwright's off-stump for a first-ball duck. Dal survived the hat-trick ball and endured a close shave on seven, narrowly missing his stumps with an inside edge.

Du Plooy and Dal would dig in for the rest of the session as the pitch flattened out in the baking heat at Chester-le-Street. Chances were at a premium for the home side amid solid batting led by Du Plooy, who posted his fourth half-century of the campaign. Dal was more fluent at the other end, passing fifty for the fourth time of the season from only 79 balls with six boundaries to his name.

The two players worked their way past the century partnership, becoming the first Derbyshire players to muster a hundred stand for the sixth wicket against Durham. Du Plooy's hard work was rewarded when he notched his first century of the campaign by cutting Liam Trevaskis to the fence, but Dal could not join his team-mate with three figures following the arrival of new ball.

Rushworth bounded in from the Lumley End and claimed two wickets in two balls for the second time of the day. Dal could only fend an outside edge through to Mackintosh before Alex Thomson suffered the same fate. McAlindon would end the day with two moments to remember on his first-class debut, removing Sam Connors to claim his first scalp and Toby Pettman to end the visitors' innings.

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11-14 July 2022



Ben Aitchison

Tom Mackintosh scored a maiden first-class half century to lead a Durham fightback against Derbyshire on day two of their LV= Insurance County Championship Division Two contest at Seat Unique Riverside.

The hosts were reduced for 142 for seven in their first innings amid fine bowling from Toby Pettman, who claimed figures of three for 40 to race through the Durham batting order. However, Mackintosh led the way with 51 as he and tail provided 154 for the final three wickets. Chris Rushworth, Ben Raine and Stanley McAlindon offered usual cameos to propel the North-East outfit into a narrow lead.

There was time for Rushworth to make inroads into the Derbyshire ranks before the close, leaving the visitors 19 for two at stumps, six runs ahead of the home side heading into day three of the contest.

Derbyshire were on their mettle from the off with the ball to make immediate inroads into the Durham line-up. Ben Aitchison dismissed England opener Alex Lees on his return to the county ranks lbw for only seven, which sparked an early-morning collapse.

Pettman was on the money with his line and length to produce a snorter to remove nightwatch Matt Salisbury before Durham skipper Scott Borthwick left a straight delivery to lose his off-stump for 13. Sam Conners got in on the act to prise out Michael Jones, who played a loose drive to a wide ball and was snaggled by Aitchison at first slip, reducing the hosts to 38 for four.

David Bedingham found his feet at the crease and looked fluent against the team he made a career-best 257 in the 2021 campaign. The South African combined with debutant Nic Maddinson to steady the ship with a stand of 72 for the fifth wicket.

However, the Durham innings followed the same pattern as Derbyshire's as the two set batters were dismissed quickly after lunch. Both Bedingham and Maddinson fell in the same manner, being caught down the leg-side by Brooke Guest to Aitchison and Pettman respectively. Liam Trevaskis opted for an aggressive approach to dig Durham out of trouble, blasting off-spinner Alex Thomson for four and a six over his head, but a third attempt cost him his wicket for 30.

Mackintosh and Ben Raine stabilised the Durham innings and pushed the score beyond 200 to secure the hosts' first batting point. Raine looked well set at the crease to record another knock of fifty plus, but his aggression against Thomson resulted in a simple catch for Wayne Madsen. Mackintosh was not deterred by Raine's departure and displayed maturity beyond his years by grinding out his maiden first-class half-century before being bowled by Conners for 51.

Rushworth and Stanley McAlindon defied the Derbyshire attack for the final wicket, with the number 11 producing an aggressive knock of 33 from 27 balls to steer the hosts into an unlikely 13-run lead. It was the highest stand for the 10th wicket for Durham against Derbyshire, and provided a more than useful second batting point.

And, Rushworth used the momentum from his batting display to make two strikes into the visitors' line-up, removing captain Billy Godleman and nightwatch Conners before the close.

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Centuries from Leus du Plooy and Brooke Guest worked Derbyshire into a match-winning position on day three of their LV= Insurance County Championship Division Two clash against Durham.

Du Plooy and Guest combined for a mammoth stand of 248 for the fifth wicket to take the contest away from the home side, recovering from the loss of two early wickets that had put the visitors in trouble at 36 for four in the first hour of the day.

The two Derbyshire batters were outstanding as Du Plooy scored his second century of the game, while Guest passed three figures for the third time of the campaign to leave their side in command at the close at 329 for six with a lead of 316 and the potential of an overnight declaration.

After reducing the visitors to 19 for two in the evening session on day two, Matt Salisbury ramped up the pressure on Derbyshire by pinning Luis Reece lbw for 12 after the opener opted to leave a straight delivery. Rushworth then claimed his 10th wicket of the game by ousting Wayne Madsen for nine, leaving the visitors in a precarious position on 36 for four with a lead of only 23.

The visitors were in dire need of a partnership to calm proceedings, and Guest and Du Plooy rose to the occasion in sublime manner. They ushered Derbyshire into the lunch break to stem the tide and force Durham captain Scott Borthwick to alter his plans.

After the break, Guest and Du Plooy reached their half-centuries in the same Liam Trevaskis over and continued to lay the foundations of match-winning position. Guest had been stymied in the morning session, but moved through the gears against a toiling Durham attack in the afternoon under the baking sun at Chester-le-Street. The bowlers found no life in a flat pitch, and it allowed Guest and Du Plooy to capitalise to great effect, turning the momentum of the game in the favour of Derbyshire.

Du Plooy was unfettered and continued his fine form from the first innings, offering nothing to the home side in a controlled knock. For the second time of the partnership, both men reached their milestones in the same over as Du Plooy became the 19th Derbyshire player to score two hundreds in a match. Guest followed his team-mate to three figures from 216 balls, securing his third ton of the campaign along, pushing their partnership past 200, Derbyshire's highest for the fifth wicket against Durham.

Du Plooy's outstanding innings was finally ended by Rushworth with the new ball finding the outside edge, but only after the left-hander notched his highest score of the campaign. Guest soon followed for 116 lbw to Salisbury, but the visitors were already entrenched in a dominant position before Anuj Dal and Hilton Cartwright worked their lead past the 300-run mark at the close.

Derbyshire v Durham at Chester-le-Street

11-14 July 2022



Sam Conners

Durham battled their way to a nervy draw against Derbyshire at Seat Unique Riverside in a result that failed to improve either side's hopes of propelling themselves into the LV= Insurance County Championship Division Two promotion battle.

After declaring on 398 for eight and a lead of 385, Derbyshire made a strong push to secure their third win of the season, reducing the home side to 150 for six after the tea break courtesy of two wickets apiece from Anuj Dal and Sam Conners.

Debutant Tom Mackintosh and Liam Trevaskis put forward a resilient stand of 49 to halt the visitors' victory charge. Trevaskis saw his side over the line alongside another fledgling, Stanley McAlindon, to secure a draw for the hosts. Both teams took 13 points from the match, leaving Derbyshire in fifth and Durham sixth in the Division Two table.

Entering the day four in a commanding position, Derbyshire put their foot on the accelerator in the first hour to push towards the 400-run mark and a lead of 385. Hilton Cartwright led the way with 11 boundaries in his innings of 71 from 83 balls, recording a first first-class half-century for Derbyshire in the process.

The visitors ran into a wall in their initial burst at Durham before lunch in the form of Alex Lees. The left-hander used the aggression developed for England under Brendon McCullum and Ben Stokes to lead the hosts to 64 without loss, blunting the effect of the new ball, which had been vital in the previous three innings of the match.

However, the interval knocked Durham out of their rhythm, and Dal's medium pace proved to be the undoing of Lees with a delivery that kept low removing his off-stump for 41. Dal then removed Michael Jones for 23 before Scott Borthwick got a grubber from Conners to hand Derbyshire a glimmer of hope of forcing a victory on a flat deck in the final two sessions.

Those hopes appeared to fade when Nic Maddinson and David Bedingham looked comfortable at the crease, establishing a partnership worth 41 to put the contest on course for a stalemate. However, the home side opened the door for Derbyshire minutes before the tea break.

Maddinson played a needless sweep across the line to fall lbw to Alex Thomson for 30, while Bedingham was then run out by Conners attempting a quick-single with Trevaskis. Ben Raine continued the procession after tea playing a loose clip off his legs behind to Brook Guest as Conners continued his impressive day.

Durham required resilience from their lower order, and for the second time of the match it came from debutant Mackintosh. The 19-year-old was surrounded by Derbyshire fielders in front of the wicket, but he and Trevaskis rebuffed their attempt to force the victory, defying the visitors with a stand of 49 for the seventh wicket.

Toby Pettman prised out Mackintosh for a hard-fought 28 to leave the home side with tense final 9.3 overs to see out with Trevaskis and the tail. But, even the introduction of the new ball was not enough in the closing overs as Durham held out for the draw.

Derbyshire v Durham at Chester-le-Street

11-14 July 2022 Scorecard

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Durham Cricket 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Durham Cricket 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
LM Reece	lbw b Rushworth	5	19	26	0 0
BA Godleman*	c Mackintosh b Rushworth	3	30	35	0 0
BD Guest†	b Rushworth	26	78	102	2 0
WL Madsen	c Borthwick b Raine	10	15	29	0 0
JL du Plooy	not out	122	234	319	14 0
HWR Cartwright	b Rushworth	0	1	2	0 0
AK Dal	c Mackintosh b Rushworth	90	142	198	2 0
AT Thomson	c Mackintosh b Rushworth	0	1	2	0 0
BW Aitchison	b Rushworth	7	14	15	1 0
S Conners	b McAlindon	2	20	27	0 0
THS Pettman	c Bedingham b McAlindon	0	1	7	0 0
Extras	(b 6, lb 8, nb 4)	18			
Total	for 10 wickets in 92.1 overs	283	555	384	26 0
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
C Rushworth		21	6	44	2 2.10 0 0
MET Salisbury		19	2	57	0 3.00 0 0
BA Raine		21	7	42	1 2.00 0 0
SJC McAlindon		13.1	0	63	2 4.78 0 2
L Trevaskis		15	3	54	0 3.60 0 0
SG Borthwick		3	0	9	0 3.00 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-12 (LM Reece, 6.6 ov), 2-13 (BA Godleman, 8.6 ov), 3-30 (WL Madsen, 15.2 ov), 4-85 (BD Guest, 30.5 ov), 5-85 (HWR Cartwright, 30.6 ov), 6-251 (AK Dal, 80.5 ov), 7-251 (AT Thomson, 80.6 ov), 8-269 (BW Aitchison, 84.3 ov), 9-279 (S Conners, 90.6 ov), 10-283 (THS Pettman, 92.1 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Durham Cricket 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Durham Cricket 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
MET Salisbury	c Guest b Pettman	5	28	33	1 0
AZ Lees	lbw b Aitchison	7	13	14	1 0
MA Jones	c Aitchison b Conners	10	29	50	2 0
SG Borthwick*	b Pettman	13	13	18	2 0
NJ Maddinson	c Guest b Pettman	22	70	101	4 0
DG Bedingham	c Guest b Aitchison	45	58	75	2 0
L Trevaskis	b Thomson	30	29	37	5 1
BA Raine	c Madsen b Thomson	36	63	94	4 0
TSS Mackintosh†	b Conners	51	100	128	5 0
SJC McAlindon	not out	26	87	106	1 0
C Rushworth	c Madsen b Thomson	33	27	48	5 1
JJ Bushnell	not out	0	0	0	0 0
Extras	(b 1, lb 7, nb 10)	18			
Total	for 10 wickets in 85.2 overs	296	517	354	37 2
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
THS Pettman		19	8	40	3 2.11 0 2
BW Aitchison		24	4	84	2 3.50 0 1
S Conners		18	2	80	2 4.44 0 2
AK Dal		7	1	26	0 3.71 0 0
LM Reece		3	0	10	0 3.33 0 0
AT Thomson		14.2	0	48	3 3.35 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-10 (AZ Lees, 3.6 ov), 2-16 (MET Salisbury, 8.4 ov), 3-34 (SG Borthwick, 12.3 ov), 4-38 (MA Jones, 15.1 ov), 5-106 (DG Bedingham, 33.4 ov), 6-116 (NJ Maddinson, 36.4 ov), 7-142 (L Trevaskis, 41.4 ov), 8-209 (BA Raine, 59.3 ov), 9-245 (TSS Mackintosh, 74.4 ov), 10-296 (C Rushworth, 85.2 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Durham Cricket 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Durham Cricket 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
LM Reece	lbw b Salisbury	12	30	39	2 0
BA Godleman*	c Mackintosh b Rushworth	9	13	17	2 0
S Conners	c Mackintosh b Rushworth	1	15	17	0 0
BD Guest†	lbw b Salisbury	116	261	327	14 0
WL Madsen	lbw b Rushworth	9	16	28	2 0
JL du Plooy	c Mackintosh b Rushworth	134	206	272	15 0
HWR Cartwright	not out	71	83	120	11 0
AK Dal	run out (sub (Rushnell)/Mackintosh)	26	55	77	1 0
AT Thomson	b Raine	9	10	14	1 0
BW Aitchison	not out	2	3	6	0 0
THS Pettman					
Extras	(b 2, lb 2, w 1, nb 4)	9			
Total	for 8 wickets dec in 115 overs	398	692	461	48 0
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
C Rushworth		24	7	62	4 2.58 0 0
BA Raine		29	8	70	1 2.41 0 0
MET Salisbury		21	4	71	2 3.38 0 1
SJC McAlindon		9	0	50	0 5.56 0 1
L Trevaskis		16	1	81	0 5.06 1 0
SG Borthwick		15	0	55	0 3.67 0 0
NJ Maddinson		1	0	5	0 5.00 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-15 (BA Godleman, 4.4 ov), 2-19 (S Conners, 8.4 ov), 3-23 (LM Reece, 9.6 ov), 4-36 (WL Madsen, 16.5 ov), 5-284 (JL du Plooy, 88.1 ov), 6-301 (BD Guest, 92.4 ov), 7-367 (AK Dal, 110.4 ov), 8-390 (AT Thomson, 113.4 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Durham Cricket 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Durham Cricket 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
AZ Lees	b Dal	41	65	72	2 0
MA Jones	c du Plooy b Dal	23	59	89	3 0
SG Borthwick*	b Conners	12	34	47	0 0
NJ Maddinson	lbw b Thomson	30	55	90	5 0
DG Bedingham	run out (Conners)	24	55	65	3 0
L Trevaskis	not out	19	114	160	2 0
BA Raine	c Guest b Conners	4	30	29	0 0
TSS Mackintosh†	c Aitchison b Pettman	28	68	90	4 0
SJC McAlindon	not out	18	27	33	3 0
MET Salisbury					
C Rushworth					
Extras	(b 8, lb 4, nb 10)	22			
Total	for 7 wickets in 83.4 overs	221	507	340	27 0
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
THS Pettman		12	2	42	1 3.50 0 3
BW Aitchison		22	6	57	0 2.59 0 0
S Conners		15.4	1	58	2 3.70 0 1
AT Thomson		16	11	8	1 0.50 0 0
AK Dal		10	2	22	2 2.20 0 0
LM Reece		8	3	22	0 2.75 0 1
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-68 (AZ Lees, 18.5 ov), 2-73 (MA Jones, 22.3 ov), 3-101 (SG Borthwick, 29.6 ov), 4-142 (NJ Maddinson, 43.6 ov), 5-143 (DG Bedingham, 44.5 ov), 6-150 (BA Raine, 53.2 ov), 7-199 (TSS Mackintosh, 74.3 ov)					

Derbyshire v Nottingham at Derby 19-22 July 2022

Day One Report



A brilliant double century from Ben Duckett and a career-best hundred by Haseeb Hameed put Nottinghamshire in a dominant position on the opening day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Derbyshire at Derby.

Duckett made 237 not out from 263 balls and Hameed an unbeaten 165 as the pair shared a stand of 393, the highest ever for the second wicket by any county against Derbyshire, breaking a record which had stood for 122 years.

It was also the best by Nottinghamshire for any wicket against Derbyshire, beating the 372 between Kevin Pietersen and John Morris at Derby in 2001.

In temperatures approaching 40C, Derbyshire's attack wilted in the punishing heat as the Division Two leaders closed on 439 for 1.

Given the sweltering conditions, it was no surprise Nottinghamshire batted after winning the toss even though there was some grass on the pitch.

Both Ben Aitchison and Sam Connors went past the outside edge several times although there was little margin for error once batting became easier.

The all-rounder got a ball to lift at Slater who was caught behind for 12 but that was Derbyshire's last success on what must for them have felt like the longest day.

Duckett was dropped at first slip by Aitchison off Connors on 24 shortly before Hameed eased Luis Reece through the covers for his 11th four to reach 50.

By lunch, the foundations were firmly in place for Nottinghamshire to take control of the game which Hameed and Duckett did in the afternoon.

Hameed was reprieved on 74 when he pulled Connors to deep square leg where Harry Came misjudged the flight of the ball which dropped over his head and went for four.

Derbyshire gave Duckett a second life when he edged a cut at Reece on 71 but Wayne Madsen at slip could only parry a sharp head-high chance.

Duckett drove and swept his way to a century which came when he clipped a full toss from leg-spinner Mattie McKiernan to the midwicket boundary for his 18th four.

Hameed completed his in the next over and by tea was two runs away from his previous highest first-class score of 122, made against Nottinghamshire for Lancashire at Trent Bridge in 2016.

By way of celebration, Hameed stepped out to imperiously on-drive McKiernan for another four and the boundaries kept on flowing with Duckett accelerating towards a double hundred. A reverse-sweep off McKiernan took him to 199 before he swept a single to reach 200 which included 30 fours and came from 224 balls.

Derbyshire belatedly claimed the second new ball but a weary attack could not break through on a day that belonged to Hameed and Duckett.

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Day Two Report



Wayne Madsen

Wayne Madsen and Brook Guest led a spirited Derbyshire recovery after another record-breaking day against Nottinghamshire in the LV=Insurance County Championship match at Derby.

Haseeb Hameed and Ben Duckett took their stand to 402 from 513 balls, a Nottinghamshire record for the second wicket and the fifth highest for that wicket in the history of the competition.

Duckett made 241 and Hameed 196 before Liam Patterson-White, 54, and James Pattinson, 44 not out, smashed 105 off 85 balls.

Four Derbyshire bowlers conceded more than 100 runs before Nottinghamshire declared on 618 for 8 but Madsen with 57 not out and Guest's unbeaten 50 guided the home side to 164 for 2, 454 runs behind, at the end of day two.

Duckett and Hameed had several records in their sights at the start of the day but managed only one before Derbyshire finally broke the stand.

Hameed drove Sam Connors through mid-on for four to beat the 398 by Arthur Shrewsbury and Billy Gunn against Sussex at Trent Bridge in 1890.

They were five away from breaking the highest ever Nottinghamshire stand for any wicket of 406 when Duckett chopped Ben Aitchison into his stumps.

That was the start of a good morning for Derbyshire who picked up five more wickets before Patterson-White and Pattinson cut loose after lunch.

Connors beat Joe Clarke with a swinging delivery and Hameed became becalmed after taking a blow on the helmet trying to pull George Scrimshaw who had Lyndon James caught behind in his next over.

Steven Mullaney pulled Scrimshaw to deep square leg and Tom Moores edged a drive at Aitchison before Hameed's excellent innings finally ended. The England batter tried to drive Aitchison for the boundary that would have taken him to a double hundred but only found the hands of Hilton Cartwright at point.

It was a different story after lunch as Patterson-White and Pattinson powered their side to the ninth highest innings total at Derby. Patterson-White drove Mattie McKiernan for his third six to reach 50 from 46 balls before the visitors called a halt when he missed another big shot at the leg-spinner.

Derbyshire could have lost early wickets but Luis Reece and Harry Came negotiated the first 12 overs, helped by a wayward opening spell from Pattinson.

Reece profited when Pattinson strayed onto his pads but when Luke Fletcher switched to the Racecourse End, he skied a pull to mid on.

The same shot brought about Came's downfall when he miscued to short mid-wicket which left Guest and Madsen to regroup.

Madsen survived a searching examination from Dane Paterson who had three lbw appeals rejected and saw Clarke fail to hold a head high chance at first slip.

The prolific right-hander was on 12 at the time and he made the most of that escape by completing a 90 ball 50 while Guest reached his half-century from 134 to raise Derbyshire's hopes of avoiding defeat.

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Day Three Report



Derbyshire wicketkeeper Brooke Guest scored his fourth century of the season to hold up Nottinghamshire on the third day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match at Derby.

Guest batted six-and-a-quarter hours for his 109, sharing a third wicket stand of 140 in 52 overs with Wayne Madsen who made 74.

Luke Fletcher took 3 for 44 and Nottinghamshire captain Steven Mullaney 3 for 51 to bowl Derbyshire out for 318, 300 behind the visitors who enforced the follow-on.

That left the Division Two leaders 38 overs to push for victory but Harry Came with 38 and Luis Reece, 30, stood firm to steer Derbyshire to 79 without loss.

Madsen had never scored a century against Nottinghamshire and he missed out again when he steered Mullaney to slip.

Mullaney struck in his next over when he found just enough movement to have Leus du Plooy caught behind before rain interrupted the match.

After an early lunch, the visitors chipped away at Derbyshire's middle and lower order with only Guest offering the prolonged resistance the situation required.

Hilton Cartwright played on trying to force James Pattinson who breached Anuj Dal's defence with a ball that seamed away late.

When Mattie McKiernan edged another good ball from Mullaney, Guest was in danger of being stranded in the nineties but a straight drive off Dane Paterson earned him the distinction of becoming the first Derbyshire wicketkeeper to score a hundred against Nottinghamshire since Bill Storer at Trent Bridge in 1898. He was eventually out for 109, the same score as Storer made 124 years ago.

Nottinghamshire would have expected to wrap up the innings but the last two wickets took another 10 overs out of the day before Derbyshire were sent back in.

Under cloudy skies, Derbyshire openers faced a challenging end to the day but Reece and Came showed good judgement and restraint to get to the close.

Away from the game, Derbyshire batter Tom Wood has been cleared to resume his career after serving a six month ban for the prescribed use of a controlled substance.

Wood returned a positive test last September for terbutaline which was in an asthma inhaler he has used since 2004.

His request for a retroactive Therapeutic Use Exemption was rejected although it was accepted he had no intention of breaching anti-doping rules.

Derbyshire chief executive Ryan Duckett said: "This has been an extremely challenging and distressing time for Tom who has handled himself impeccably throughout the process.

"This was a genuine mistake, regarding an inhaler Tom has been prescribed since he was a child."

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Day Four Report



Harry Came & Luis Reece

A combination of rain and determined batting denied Nottinghamshire victory on the final day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Derbyshire at Derby.

The Division Two leaders needed 10 wickets but managed only four as Derbyshire ensured there would be no late drama with openers Luis Reece and Harry Came scoring half centuries.

Nottinghamshire's chances of taking another big step towards promotion were dealt a blow when rain prevented any play in the morning and took 21 overs out of the day's allocation.

Came and Reece then took their stand to 161, Derbyshire's first century opening partnership of the season and the highest against Nottinghamshire at Derby, with the former scoring his maiden first-class 50.

Former Derbyshire player Ben Slater removed him for 70 before Reece went for 86 and although Dane Paterson struck twice in the final session, the home side were 249 for 4 when the teams shook hands on a draw with 16 overs remaining.

Nottinghamshire's bowlers were already facing a tough task before steady rain meant play did not start until 1pm which shifted the odds heavily in favour of a stalemate.

There was little in the pitch for the seamers and after Reece pulled Dane Paterson to the boundary to bring up the 100, Came clipped Liam Patterson-White through midwicket to reach 50 from 143 balls.

Reece completed his from 172 balls and the pair had used up 28 overs before Came chopped Slater's occasional off-spin into his stumps to spark wild celebrations from the bowler which seemed bizarre given the match situation.

Reece was dropped at leg slip off Patterson-White on 82 but in the last over before tea, he played an expansive drive at the left-arm spinner and was caught at slip.

But Derbyshire still had eight wickets in hand and Nottinghamshire's last chance came with the second new ball which arrived with 33 overs remaining.

Paterson struck in his second over when Brooke Guest was beaten by a full length ball which trapped him in front and kept the game alive by removing Leus du Plooy.

The Derbyshire captain could do nothing with a ball that moved late to take the outside edge with his side still 67 runs behind and 26 overs remaining.

But Wayne Madsen and Hilton Cartwright dug in for 10 overs to secure the draw with Nottinghamshire taking 16 points and Derbyshire 12.

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Scorecard



Nottinghamshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS			R	B	M	4s	6s
BT Slater	c Guest b Dal		12	39	58	2	0
H Hameed	c Cartwright b Aitchison		196	328	492	24	1
BM Duckett	b Aitchison		241	273	342	37	0
JM Clarke	b Conners		5	24	21	0	0
LW James	c Guest b Scrimshaw		14	30	35	2	0
SJ Mullaney*	c Came b Scrimshaw		2	7	7	0	0
TJ Moorest	c Guest b Aitchison		11	12	11	2	0
LA Patterson-White	b McKiernan		54	49	73	5	3
JL Pattinson	not out		45	49	58	5	2
LJ Fletcher							
D Paterson							
Extras	(b 6, lb 13, w 5, nb 14)		38				
Total	for 8 wickets dec in 134 overs		618	811	550	77	6
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners	25	3	117	1	4.68	0	5
BW Aitchison	25	3	119	3	4.76	1	1
AK Dal	25	3	111	1	4.44	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw	18	1	73	2	4.06	0	1
LM Reece	15	2	54	0	3.60	0	0
MH McKiernan	21	1	101	1	4.81	0	0
HRC Came	5	0	24	0	4.80	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-46 (BT Slater, 14.3 ov), 2-448 (BM Duckett, 99.2 ov), 3-459 (JM Clarke, 104.6 ov), 4-486 (LW James, 111.6 ov), 5-490 (SJ Mullaney, 113.3 ov), 6-502 (TJ Moorest, 115.6 ov), 7-513 (H Hameed, 119.6 ov), 8-618 (LA Patterson-White, 133.6 ov)							

Nottinghamshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS			R	B	M	4s	6s
HRC Came	c James b Paterson		22	45	70	2	0
LM Reece	c Mullaney b Fletcher		24	39	50	5	0
BD Guest†	c Moores b Fletcher		109	267	375	12	0
WL Madsen	c Clarke b Mullaney		74	158	213	11	0
JL du Plooy*	c Moores b Mullaney		5	10	10	1	0
HWR Cartwright	b Pattinson		14	42	51	1	0
AK Dal	b Pattinson		25	21	30	4	0
MH McKiernan	c Moores b Mullaney		1	12	21	0	0
BW Aitchison	lbw b Fletcher		13	29	38	1	0
S Conners	b Patterson-White		6	33	38	1	0
GLS Scrimshaw	not out		8	19	28	2	0
Extras	(b 8, lb 3, nb 6)		17				
Total	for 10 wickets in 111.5 overs		318	675	465	40	0
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
LJ Fletcher	25	7	44	3	1.76	0	2
JL Pattinson	24	2	96	2	4.00	0	1
D Paterson	25	7	82	1	3.28	0	0
SJ Mullaney	24	7	51	3	2.13	0	0
LA Patterson-White	13.5	4	34	1	2.46	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-46 (LM Reece, 11.5 ov), 2-54 (HRC Came, 16.1 ov), 3-194 (WL Madsen, 68.5 ov), 4-206 (JL du Plooy, 70.6 ov), 5-244 (HWR Cartwright, 84.2 ov), 6-270 (AK Dal, 90.4 ov), 7-276 (MH McKiernan, 94.6 ov), 8-298 (BD Guest, 101.5 ov), 9-303 (BW Aitchison, 103.5 ov), 10-318 (S Conners, 111.5 ov)							

Nottinghamshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings					
BATTERS			R	B	M	4s	6s
HRC Came	b Slater		70	193	257	9	0
LM Reece	c Mullaney b Patterson-White		86	237	283	12	0
BD Guest†	lbw b Paterson		14	44	54	2	0
WL Madsen	not out		19	56	96	2	0
JL du Plooy*	c Moores b Paterson		11	17	23	1	0
HWR Cartwright	not out		9	37	44	2	0
AK Dal							
MH McKiernan							
BW Aitchison							
S Conners							
GLS Scrimshaw							
Extras	(b 27, lb 8, w 1, nb 4)		40				
Total	for 4 wickets in 97 overs		249	584	380	28	0
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
LJ Fletcher	10	8	9	0	0.90	0	1
JL Pattinson	14	3	48	0	3.43	1	0
D Paterson	20	5	62	2	3.10	0	1
SJ Mullaney	10	3	13	0	1.30	0	0
LA Patterson-White	29	9	59	1	2.03	0	0
BT Slater	14	7	23	1	1.64	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-161 (HRC Came, 65.6 ov), 2-191 (LM Reece, 74.4 ov), 3-217 (BD Guest, 82.2 ov), 4-233 (JL du Plooy, 86.3 ov)							

Derbyshire v Worcestershire at New Road

25-28 July 2022



Dillon Pennington's new ball burst with the new ball and Kashif Ali's half century on his first class debut earned Worcestershire the initiative on the opening day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match with Derbyshire at New Road.

Pennington reduced the Peakites to 14-5 with four wickets in the space of 18 balls. Despite a half century from Anuj Dal, they were bowled out for 130 in 51.1 overs.

Worcestershire also had initial problems when they launched their reply but they closed on 141-5 when bad light and then rain halted play at 5.35pm.

Libby won an important toss on a green tinged wicket and his bowlers soon justified his decision to put Derbyshire into bat.

Joe Leach struck with the last ball of the opening over as Harry Came was plumb lbw to a ball of full length.

But it was Pennington who broke the back of the Derbyshire top order with a superb opening burst of 4-2-3-4 which reduced the visitors to 14-5.

Brooke Guest (2) was bowled offering no shot to a ball angled in and then Wayne Madsen edged a delivery which nipped away to Josh Baker at fourth slip.

Luis Reece (1) and Hilton Cartwright (0) were both caught behind by Gareth Roderick, after pushing forward to Pennington.

Derbyshire captain, Leus du Plooy, opted for an aggressive response and dominated the scoring during a sixth wicket stand of 39 with Anuj Dal.

But Ed Barnard, who is to join Warwickshire on a three year deal from next season, made further inroads with wickets in successive overs. Du Plooy, on 38, played with an angled bat at a delivery and gave Baker another catch, this time at third slip, and Mattie McKiernan offered no shot but inside edged onto the stumps.

Derbyshire were then 53-7 and in danger of being bowled out before lunch but resistance came from Dal and Ben Aitchison. They added 56 in 22 overs before Barnard came back into the attack and had Aitchison nibbling at a delivery which was safely pounced by Roderick.

Dal mixed solid defence with some classy shots and two cuts for four off spinner Josh Baker enabled him to complete a 104 half century with eight boundaries.

Hasnain had bowled two threatening spells without any luck but cleaned up the tail in classic fast bowler's fashion as he yorked both Sam Connors and Dal.

Worcestershire also ran into trouble against the new ball and found themselves 23-3 in the fifth over and Connors knocked out Libby's off stump with a ball which nipped back and Ed Pollock, having struck Aitchison for six over mid-wicket, tried to upper cut his next ball and was caught behind.

But the momentum switched into Worcestershire's favour as Jack Haynes and Kashif Ali counter-attacked during a stand of 97.

The pair took Worcestershire into the lead only to then both surrender their wickets to loose shots. Haynes, on 48, and Kashif, 52, both chased wide deliveries from Connors and Scrimshaw respectively and gave Guest two more catches.

Derbyshire v Worcestershire at New Road

25-28 July 2022



Veteran Wayne Madsen completed 1,000 first class runs as he and Anuj Dal helped manoeuvre Derbyshire back into strong contention on day two of the LV=Insurance County Championship match with Worcestershire at New Road.

Madsen reached four figures in a campaign for the sixth time when he reached 32 and went onto make an invaluable 69.

Dal then capitalised on Madsen's foundations with a second half century of the game and this is by far his most prolific season with the bat.

He has now surpassed 700 Championship runs this summer in the number seven role after ending unbeaten on 85 in addition to chipping in with 22 wickets.

Mattie McKiernan, 58 not out, gave him sterling support during an unbroken stand of 120 and 169 runs were scored in an elongated final session.

Aitchison ensured that Worcestershire lead was restricted to only 55 with a three wicket burst after they had resumed on 141-5 under overcast skies on a pitch where the ball still nibbled around.

Gareth Roderick undone by a delivery of extra bounce which he edged through to keeper Brooke Guest, Joe Leach (0) was out lbw and Josh Baker (2) was bowled.

Ed Barnard again looked in good form but after reaching 39 he presented Guest his sixth catch of the innings when nicking an away swinger from Dal.

It was the first time a Derbyshire keeper had taken six or more dismissals in an innings since Harvey Hosein against Surrey at The Oval in 2014.

Former Worcestershire pace bowler George Scrimshaw wrapped up the innings when Muhammad Hasnain was pounced at first slip.

Joe Leach made good use of the new ball either side of lunch as Luis Reece went back to a good length ball and was lbw and then Guest was bowled via an inside edge.

Opener Harry Came looked in good touch as Derbyshire wiped out their first innings arrears with still eight wickets in hand.

But the return to the attack of Dillon Pennington dealt a double blow to the Peakites.

Came, on 39, went lbw to a delivery which arrowed back in and then Derbyshire captain, Leus du Plooy was bowled after working to leg.

Derbyshire were only 37 ahead when they lost a fifth wicket as Hilton Cartwright was stumped in bizarre fashion. He failed to connect with a legside hit aimed at spinner Josh Baker and was stumped as the ball rebounded off the pads of keeper Gareth Roderick onto the stumps.

Madsen swept Baker for four to complete 1,000 first class runs for the season before going lbw to a ball that nipped back in from Barnard.

But Dal and McKiernan swung the game in Derbyshire's favour with a 100 partnership from just 121 balls as batting looked increasingly straightforward.

Derbyshire v Worcestershire at New Road

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Mattie McKiernan & Anuj Dal

Derbyshire's strong victory push was held up by the weather on day three of the LV=Insurance County Championship match with Worcestershire at New Road.

They set the home side a 289 target, after Anuj Dal completed a century, and had taken five top order wickets before bad light and rain meant play was called off for the day at 5.10pm.

But the Peakites remain strong favourites to complete their third Championship win of the campaign tomorrow and keep alive their promotion hopes.

Ben Aitchison was again the chief thorn in Worcestershire's side with figures of 15-7-27-3 to take his wicket tally to seven in the game.

Derbyshire keeper Brooke Guest was again kept busy with two more dismissals to add to his six in the first innings.

Only Jack Haynes and Gareth Roderick, during an unbroken stand of 36 spanning 18 overs, provided prolonged resistance.

Derbyshire resumed on 286 for six and the last four wickets fell for 57 runs in the space of 21.5 overs.

Dillon Pennington ended Dal's seventh wicket stand of 140 with Mattie McKiernan when the latter on 71 went for a pull and top edged a catch to third man.

Aitchison pushed forward to Joe Leach and was caught behind but then Dal, who resumed on 85, reached three figures with one of his few false strokes, an edge for four off Muhammad Hasnain.

It came off 189 balls with nine boundaries and he became the fourth Derbyshire player to score three hundreds this summer after Shan Masood, Wayne Madsen and Brooke Guest.

Sam Conners nicked Ed Barnard to second slip and George Scrimshaw picked out mid off against spinner Josh Baker to wrap up the innings.

Worcestershire openers Ed Pollock and Jake Libby batted aggressively in taking 31 off six overs before lunch but the game swung in the Peakites favour during the afternoon session.

For the second time in the game Pollock smashed Aitchison for six and was then dismissed to the very next delivery, this time falling to Hilton Cartwright at third slip.

Libby was caught down the leg side and Taylor Comall's loose drive against Conners gave keeper Brooke Guest his eighth catch of the match.

There was no respite for the home side as Kashif Ali, fresh from signing a new two-year contract, chopped a Dal delivery onto his stumps.

Rain and bad light led to an early tea and an hour's delay and then Haynes and Roderick dug in to add an unbroken 36 before the weather closed in again.

Derbyshire v Worcestershire at New Road

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Anuj Dal completed a superb all-round performance with a crucial intervention with the ball as Derbyshire overcame Worcestershire by 98 runs in the LV=Insurance County Championship match at New Road.

Dal followed up a first innings fifty and then a superb century with a career best return of 5-40 off 15 overs as Worcestershire were dismissed for 190 in 64.1 overs.

The all-rounder initially struck three times in the space of seven balls to break Worcestershire's resistance after they had resumed on 108-5 in pursuit of a 289 target.

He made the crucial breakthrough when trapping Jack Haynes lbw for 45 after a partnership of 92 with Gareth Roderick (53 not out).

Dal then sent back Joe Leach, and Josh Baker in quick succession to effectively seal a third Championship win of the campaign for the Peakites.

It capped a tremendous fightback by the visitors who faced several positions of adversity in the game.

They showed the character and spirit instilled into them by Head Coach, Micky Arthur, since he arrived at the Incora County Ground this season.

Derbyshire are now firmly in the race for a promotion spot for when they return to Championship action after the Royal London Cup.

But Worcestershire were left to reflect on failing to press home a position of strength for the second home game.

They had established a first innings lead of 132 against Glamorgan and ended up being edged out by three wickets on a bowler-friendly surface.

This time they reduced Derbyshire to 14-5 in their first innings and then 92-5 in the second when their lead was just 37.

A third defeat of the campaign was a blow to their own promotion hopes.

Haynes and Roderick were relatively untroubled during the opening hour of the day but the introduction of Dal at 143-5 started a swift decline by Worcestershire.

Haynes had battled away for nearly three hours for his 45 before he pushed forward to Dal and was lbw.

Joe Leach lasted only two balls before he drove at Dal and picked out Hilton Cartwright at cover.

Josh Baker lost his off stump after offering no shot and keeper Brooke Guest claimed his ninth catch of the match from a Dillon Pennington edge.

Roderick had time to complete his maiden Championship half century for Worcestershire off 126 balls before Muhammed Hasnain edged Sam Connors to second slip to seal Derbyshire's win.

Derbyshire v Worcestershire at New Road

25-28 July 2022 Scorecard

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Worcestershire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Worcestershire 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
HRC Came	lbw b Leach	0	6	3	0 0
LM Reece	c Roderick b Pennington	1	16	33	0 0
BD Guestt	b Pennington	2	3	10	0 0
WL Madsen	c Baker b Pennington	0	2	2	0 0
JL du Plooy*	c Baker b Barnard	38	60	73	6 0
HWR Cartwright	c Roderick b Pennington	0	4	4	0 0
AK Dal	b Mohammad Hasnain	55	112	180	8 0
MH McKiernan	b Barnard	0	5	8	0 0
BW Aitchison	c Roderick b Barnard	24	74	90	5 0
S Conners	b Mohammad Hasnain	4	22	21	0 0
GLS Scrimshaw	not out	0	4	7	0 0
Extras	(lb 4, nb 2)	6			
Total	for 10 wickets in 51.1 overs	130	308	218	19 0
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO Wd Nb
J Leach	9	4	16	1	1.78 0 0
DY Pennington	12	3	36	4	3.00 0 0
Mohammad Hasnain	11.1	0	35	2	3.13 0 1
EG Barnard	12	5	18	3	1.50 0 0
JO Baker	7	2	21	0	3.00 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-0 (HRC Came, 0.6 ov), 2-3 (BD Guest, 3.1 ov), 3-3 (WL Madsen, 3.3 ov), 4-14 (LM Reece, 7.2 ov), 5-14 (HWR Cartwright, 7.6 ov), 6-53 (JL du Plooy, 19.2 ov), 7-53 (MH McKiernan, 21.1 ov), 8-109 (BW Aitchison, 43.6 ov), 9-129 (S Conners, 49.4 ov), 10-130 (AK Dal, 51.1 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Worcestershire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Worcestershire 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
EJ Pollock	c Guest b Aitchison	15	15	16	1 1
JD Libby*	b Conners	4	6	8	1 0
TR Cornall	c Guest b Conners	2	5	9	0 0
JA Haynes	c Guest b Conners	48	55	78	11 0
Kashif Ali	c Guest b Scrimshaw	52	74	98	9 0
EG Barnard	c Guest b Dal	39	60	89	6 0
GH Roderickt	c Guest b Aitchison	0	15	18	0 0
J Leach	lbw b Aitchison	0	3	3	0 0
JO Baker	b Aitchison	2	11	15	0 0
DY Pennington	not out	12	26	35	1 0
Mohammad Hasnain	c Aitchison b Scrimshaw	1	5	4	0 0
Extras	(lb 2, nb 8)	10			
Total	for 10 wickets in 45.1 overs	185	275	189	29 1
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO Wd Nb
S Conners	15	2	63	3	4.20 0 2
BW Aitchison	15	3	40	4	2.67 0 0
GLS Scrimshaw	5.1	0	22	2	4.26 0 0
AK Dal	7	0	35	1	5.00 0 0
LM Reece	3	0	23	0	7.67 0 2
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-11 (JD Libby, 2.1 ov), 2-23 (EJ Pollock, 3.6 ov), 3-23 (TR Cornall, 4.1 ov), 4-120 (JA Haynes, 22.5 ov), 5-141 (Kashif Ali, 28.4 ov), 6-148 (GH Roderick, 33.2 ov), 7-148 (J Leach, 33.5 ov), 8-154 (JO Baker, 37.5 ov), 9-184 (EG Barnard, 44.2 ov), 10-185 (Mohammad Hasnain, 45.1 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Worcestershire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Worcestershire 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
HRC Came	lbw b Pennington	39	89	106	5 0
LM Reece	lbw b Leach	5	17	28	0 0
BD Guestt	b Leach	17	18	44	3 0
WL Madsen	lbw b Barnard	69	114	165	8 0
JL du Plooy*	b Pennington	6	8	10	1 0
HWR Cartwright	st Roderick b Baker	2	9	12	0 0
AK Dal	not out	112	217	314	10 0
MH McKiernan	c Baker b Pennington	71	108	142	11 0
BW Aitchison	c Roderick b Leach	5	16	15	0 0
S Conners	c Haynes b Barnard	6	19	26	1 0
GLS Scrimshaw	c Libby b Baker	4	17	20	0 0
Extras	(lb 1, nb 6)	7			
Total	for 10 wickets in 104.5 overs	343	632	443	39 0
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO Wd Nb
J Leach	24	5	74	3	3.08 0 1
DY Pennington	21	2	70	3	3.33 0 0
Mohammad Hasnain	15	3	63	0	4.20 0 2
EG Barnard	26	6	54	2	2.08 0 0
JO Baker	16.5	2	65	2	3.86 0 0
Kashif Ali	2	0	16	0	8.00 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-21 (LM Reece, 6.4 ov), 2-53 (BD Guest, 16.2 ov), 3-77 (HRC Came, 23.3 ov), 4-87 (JL du Plooy, 25.5 ov), 5-92 (HWR Cartwright, 28.1 ov), 6-166 (WL Madsen, 55.1 ov), 7-306 (MH McKiernan, 89.2 ov), 8-313 (BW Aitchison, 92.6 ov), 9-331 (S Conners, 98.3 ov), 10-343 (GLS Scrimshaw, 104.5 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Worcestershire 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Worcestershire 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
EJ Pollock	c Cartwright b Aitchison	23	25	28	2 2
JD Libby*	c Guest b Aitchison	21	39	51	3 0
TR Cornall	c Guest b Conners	4	20	29	0 0
JA Haynes	lbw b Dal	45	131	176	5 0
Kashif Ali	b Dal	6	5	8	1 0
EG Barnard	c Came b Aitchison	7	17	19	1 0
GH Roderickt	not out	53	126	182	2 0
J Leach	c Cartwright b Dal	0	2	2	0 0
JO Baker	b Dal	4	4	7	1 0
DY Pennington	c Guest b Dal	4	12	10	1 0
Mohammad Hasnain	c Aitchison b Conners	2	5	19	0 0
Extras	(b 9, lb 9, w 1, nb 2)	21			
Total	for 10 wickets in 64.1 overs	190	386	268	21 2
BOWLERS	O	M	R	W	RPO Wd Nb
S Conners	17.1	4	54	2	3.15 0 1
BW Aitchison	23	8	55	3	2.39 1 0
AK Dal	15	3	40	5	2.67 0 0
GLS Scrimshaw	8	1	21	0	2.63 0 0
MH McKiernan	1	0	2	0	2.00 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-37 (EJ Pollock, 7.4 ov), 2-44 (JD Libby, 13.2 ov), 3-57 (TR Cornall, 14.3 ov), 4-63 (Kashif Ali, 16.2 ov), 5-72 (EG Barnard, 21.6 ov), 6-164 (JA Haynes, 56.1 ov), 7-164 (J Leach, 56.3 ov), 8-168 (JO Baker, 58.1 ov), 9-174 (DY Pennington, 60.3 ov), 10-190 (Mohammad Hasnain, 64.1 ov)					

Derbyshire v Durham at Derby 5-8 September 2022

Day One Report



Leus du Plooy enjoyed another good day at Durham's expense as Derbyshire recovered in the LV=Insurance County Championship match at the Incora County Ground.

The Division Two promotion hopefuls were struggling at 58 for 4 but du Plooy followed his two centuries in the game at Chester-le Street in July with 82 from 123 balls.

Harry Came scored a career-best 78 sharing a stand of 143 in 32 overs with du Plooy before Anuj Dal added 56 as Derbyshire were bowled out for 306, Chris Rushworth and Ben Raine both taking three wickets.

Durham's decision to bowl on a well-grassed pitch looked a good one when Rushworth and Raine reduced Derbyshire to 31 for 3.

Luis Reece went to the second ball of the match when he edged Rushworth into the gloves of Tom Mackintosh and Billy Godleman's poor season in the championship continued when he played on driving at Raine in the next over.

Brooke Guest again looked the part at number three, showing good judgement in challenging conditions but Derbyshire lost another big wicket in Rushworth's sixth over.

Wayne Madsen had to play at a ball that seamed away and was caught behind for nine and Guest, who scored a hundred at Chester-le-Street in July, was also the victim of a good delivery.

Guest drove Rushworth down the ground for four and with du Plooy, was starting to rebuild the innings when Raine nipped one away to take his off stump.

The inevitable change of ball came after 40 overs but Durham probably wished they had stuck with the old one as du Plooy drove the first delivery from Raine back past the bowler for his ninth four to reach 50 from 73 balls.

Came scored his maiden first-class 50 at Trent Bridge earlier in the season and two sixes off Liam Trevaskis got him moving towards a second.

He launched the left-arm spinner down the ground before dispatching a full toss over the ropes and with du Plooy punishing anything short or overpitched, the momentum swung towards Derbyshire.

The pair looked set to bat through the session when du Plooy aimed a loose forcing shot outside off stump at Trevaskis and was caught behind.

Durham's bowlers could not apply any sustained pressure after tea and Came pulled Oliver Gibson for his fifth four to pass his previous best score of 70.

But Gibson, who bowled at a lively pace, yorked him just before the second new ball which accounted for the tail although Dal completed another half century to secure a third batting point before he was out in the last over of the day.

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Day Two Report



Brooke Guest & Sam Connors

Derbyshire's pace attack put the promotion hopefuls in a strong position on the second day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Durham at the Incora County Ground.

England Lions fast bowler Sam Connors took 3 for 54 and Ben Aitchison 2 for 49 to reduce Durham to 222 for 9 at the close with only Michael Jones offering any prolonged resistance with 87.

All rounder Anuj Dal claimed 2 for 18 in 10 overs as Durham lost five wickets for 26 in the final session to trail by 84.

Durham could also face a possible points deduction after Nic Maddinson's bat was judged to be too big. Umpire Hassan Adnan tested the bat with his measurement gauge shortly after the Australian came to the middle but it would not go through and was taken away by match referee Mike Smith.

The bat will be re-examined after the close of play and if it fails again will be sent to the ECB who will make a judgement.

Derbyshire were docked two points after Mattie McKiernan's bat failed a measurement test in a Royal London Cup game last month.

Jones' first seven scoring shots were boundaries but Sean Dickson was reprieved on eight when he edged Aitchison low to third slip where Leus du Plooy failed to cling on.

Derbyshire regrouped during the lunch break which was extended by 45 minutes by rain and took four wickets in the afternoon session.

Dickson was the first to go, caught behind carving at the first ball he faced after the restart, and Scott Borthwick also fell to a casual shot when he tried to turn the fast bowler off his legs and got a top edge to square leg.

The bowlers improved line was rewarded again when the pressure got to Nic Maddinson who went for a big drive at Dal and was caught at point.

Jones had played responsibly but in the penultimate over before tea, he tried to drive Nick Potts and lost his off stump.

Durham trailed by 164 at the interval but Jonathan Bushnell and Liam Trevaskis frustrated Derbyshire for 19 overs before Sam Connors returned to shift the momentum again.

Connors found enough away movement to have Bushnell caught behind before Trevaskis, badly missed on 21 at third slip, edged to second five overs later where Wayne Madsen knocked the ball up for Brooke Guest to complete the catch.

Paul Coughlin was run out by a direct hit from Potts as he went for a sharp single to midwicket and Tom Mackintosh drove a wide ball from Dal to point.

Connors had Ben Raine caught behind before bad light ended play with Derbyshire well placed to push for victory.

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Day Three Report



Billy Godleman

Ben Raine bowled Durham back into contention on the third day of the LV= Insurance County Championship match against Derbyshire at the Incora County Ground.

The 30-year-old paceman took 3 for 24 in 18 overs to restrict Derbyshire to 185 for 7 in their second innings, a lead of 268.

Liam Trevaskis also helped contain the promotion hopefuls by claiming 3 for 71 with his left-arm spin before bad light ended play early.

Wayne Madsen led the way for Derbyshire with 58 while Godleman made 43 from 141 balls, his highest score of the season in the championship.

Durham's hopes of reducing the arrears significantly lasted two overs before Oliver Gibson sliced a drive at Sam Connors and was caught by Godleman running from mid off to give the England Lions fast bowler figures of 4 for 55.

The visitors suffered a major blow after three overs of Derbyshire's second innings when their leading bowler Chris Rushworth left the field with a muscle strain.

Given the state of the game and Rushworth's injury, Durham did well to keep Derbyshire in check with Godleman and Luis Reece taking 23 overs to increase the lead by 50.

Reece did launch Liam Trevaskis over the long off boundary before he was caught behind playing defensively at Raine who bowled a good containing spell from the City End.

Brooke Guest drove Trevaskis for another six but was caught at slip off the next ball as he tried to cut the left arm spinner.

By lunch Derbyshire were 145 ahead and Godleman showed more intent after the interval, straight driving Trevaskis for six before Madsen completed yet another 50, his 11th of the season, by guiding Raine to the third man boundary.

Godleman was seven away from his first championship half-century of the summer when he was caught on the crease by Raine to end a stand of 88 in 27 overs.

Durham struck twice in the next two overs with Leus du Plooy well caught by Nic Maddinson running back to long off and Madsen caught behind dabbing at Raine shortly before bad light stopped play.

Rain prevented a resumption until 4.40pm and Derbyshire's slide continued with two more wickets falling in consecutive overs.

Harry Came's attempt to drive Trevaskis over the top ended in the hands of cover and Mark Watt got a top edge aiming a pull at a ball from Paul Coughlin that stopped on him.

Anuj Dal and Ben Aitchison added another 24 from 67 balls before bad light ended play with 11 overs remaining at 5.30pm leaving the game intriguingly poised if the rain stays away on the final day.

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Day Four Report



Sam Connors

Durham's Liam Trevaskis and Paul Coughlin denied promotion hopefuls Derbyshire victory in a dramatic end to the LV=Insurance County Championship match at the Incora County Ground.

The sixth wicket pair batted through the final 17 overs to steer Durham to a fighting draw after they had been set 298 in 87 overs.

Trevaskis faced 57 balls for an unbeaten 42 and Coughlin was 19 not out off 53 as Durham closed on 176 for 5 from 53 overs.

Mark Watt took 2 for 37 in 13 overs but Derbyshire could not force the win that would have taken them to second in Division Two.

Durham paceman Ben Raine claimed two more wickets to finish with 5 for 43 in 22 overs before Derbyshire declared on 214 for 9.

Derbyshire had batted on for seven overs, adding 29 runs for the loss of Anuj Dal and Nick Potts before the declaration came.

With showers forecast, they needed to make early inroads but Michael Jones again started positively, taking three fours from the second over from Nick Potts.

Jones had scored 24 out of 26 when he tried to leave a ball from Ben Aitchison and got a bottom edge into his stumps.

Derbyshire had a second breakthrough in the next over when Scott Borthwick played across a low dipping full toss from Connors and lost his middle stump.

At lunch, Durham required a further 237 in 67 overs but their hopes took another blow when Anuj Dal removed Sean Dickson.

The all-rounder thought he had the opener caught behind earlier and when Dickson missed a big swing and lost his off stump, he gave him a loud and visible send-off.

Durham's chances now rested with Nic Maddinson who drove Watt for consecutive fours before rain stopped play for 20 minutes with the loss of five overs.

When play resumed, Watt broke through in the first over when Maddinson pushed forward at a ball that went on with the arm and was caught behind.

Watt struck again in his next over, tempting Jonathan Bushnell into a drive which he edged low to Wayne Madsen at slip.

It was now a question of whether the rain would stay away but as the players were leaving the field for bad light, a storm broke over the ground, holding up play for two hours.

The umpires decided the match could resume at 16.50pm which gave Derbyshire 17.1 overs or 103 balls to take five wickets.

There was drama immediately with Paul Coughlin put down at second slip on one as he pushed forward at Watt.

With spinners on at both ends, Derbyshire had every fielder in a catching position but the pair of Trevaskis and Coughlin stood firm and the home side called off the hunt with one over remaining.

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Scorecard



Derbyshire 1st Innings	Durham Cricket 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Durham Cricket 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
LM Reece	c Mackintosh b Rushworth	4	2	8	1 0
BA Godleman*	b Raine	2	5	15	0 0
BD Guest†	b Raine	33	73	78	4 0
WL Madsen	c Mackintosh b Rushworth	9	21	38	2 0
JL du Plooy	c Mackintosh b Trevaskis	82	124	202	13 0
HRC Came	b Gibson	78	196	230	5 2
AK Dal	c Mackintosh b Gibson	56	88	141	5 0
MRJ Watt	c Coughlin b Trevaskis	0	4	8	0 0
BW Aitchison	lbw b Rushworth	7	16	21	1 0
NJ Potts	b Raine	6	27	28	1 0
S Conners	not out	3	18	22	0 0
Extras	(b 7, lb 13, w 2, nb 4)	26			
Total	for 10 wickets in 95.2 overs	306	574	398	32 2
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
C Rushworth		21	6	60	3 2.86 0 0
BA Raine		23	4	61	3 2.65 0 0
P Coughlin		14	1	54	0 3.86 2 1
OJ Gibson		16.2	0	62	2 3.80 0 1
L Trevaskis		21	3	49	2 2.33 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-4 (LM Reece, 0.2 ov), 2-6 (BA Godleman, 1.5 ov), 3-31 (WL Madsen, 10.6 ov), 4-58 (BD Guest, 18.5 ov), 5-201 (JL du Plooy, 60.5 ov), 6-255 (HRC Came, 77.2 ov), 7-258 (MRJ Watt, 78.3 ov), 8-270 (BW Aitchison, 82.6 ov), 9-291 (NJ Potts, 89.4 ov), 10-306 (AK Dal, 95.2 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Durham Cricket 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Durham Cricket 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
MA Jones	b Potts	87	152	196	15 0
SR Dickson	c Guest b Aitchison	28	57	86	3 0
SG Borthwick*	c Potts b Aitchison	4	9	12	1 0
NJ Maddinson	c Conners b Dal	8	30	52	0 0
JJ Bushnell	c Guest b Conners	35	91	120	4 0
L Trevaskis	c Guest b Conners	25	74	89	3 0
P Coughlin	run out (Potts)	16	24	34	3 0
BA Raine	c Guest b Conners	4	21	33	0 0
TSS Mackintosh†	c Potts b Dal	0	2	4	0 0
OJ Gibson	c Godleman b Conners	0	12	19	0 0
C Rushworth	not out	1	5	10	0 0
Extras	(b 6, lb 4, w 1, nb 4)	15			
Total	for 10 wickets in 79 overs	223	477	330	29 0
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
S Conners		16	3	55	4 3.44 0 0
BW Aitchison		24	6	49	2 2.04 0 0
NJ Potts		9	1	39	1 4.33 1 0
LM Reece		10	2	33	0 3.30 0 2
AK Dal		10	3	18	2 1.80 0 0
MRJ Watt		10	3	19	0 1.90 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-79 (SR Dickson, 21.1 ov), 2-93 (SG Borthwick, 23.4 ov), 3-115 (NJ Maddinson, 35.3 ov), 4-138 (MA Jones, 47.1 ov), 5-196 (JJ Bushnell, 66.6 ov), 6-205 (L Trevaskis, 70.1 ov), 7-216 (P Coughlin, 74.4 ov), 8-216 (TSS Mackintosh, 75.2 ov), 9-222 (BA Raine, 76.5 ov), 10-223 (OJ Gibson, 78.6 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Durham Cricket 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Durham Cricket 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
LM Reece	c Mackintosh b Raine	39	81	89	3 1
BA Godleman*	lbw b Raine	43	141	205	2 1
BD Guest†	c Coughlin b Trevaskis	8	12	14	0 1
WL Madsen	c Mackintosh b Raine	58	85	113	9 0
JL du Plooy	c Maddinson b Trevaskis	1	7	8	0 0
HRC Came	c Dickson b Trevaskis	6	16	22	0 0
AK Dal	b Raine	28	67	87	1 0
MRJ Watt	c Maddinson b Coughlin	1	8	6	0 0
BW Aitchison	not out	25	54	68	2 0
NJ Potts	c Dickson b Raine	1	4	6	0 0
S Conners					
Extras	(b 1, lb 1, nb 2)	4			
Total	for 9 wickets dec in 79 overs	214	475	311	17 3
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
C Rushworth		3	0	12	0 4.00 0 0
BA Raine		22	5	43	5 1.95 0 0
OJ Gibson		10	2	25	0 2.50 0 0
P Coughlin		13	3	34	1 2.62 0 1
L Trevaskis		27	4	81	3 3.00 0 0
SG Borthwick		4	0	17	0 4.25 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-50 (LM Reece, 22.4 ov), 2-59 (BD Guest, 25.5 ov), 3-147 (BA Godleman, 52.4 ov), 4-150 (JL du Plooy, 53.6 ov), 5-152 (WL Madsen, 54.3 ov), 6-158 (HRC Came, 59.3 ov), 7-161 (MRJ Watt, 60.5 ov), 8-212 (AK Dal, 78.1 ov), 9-214 (NJ Potts, 78.6 ov)					

Derbyshire 1st Innings	Durham Cricket 1st Innings	Derbyshire 2nd Innings	Durham Cricket 2nd Innings		
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
MA Jones	b Aitchison	24	21	26	5 0
SR Dickson	b Dal	18	77	114	2 0
SG Borthwick*	b Conners	16	26	39	3 0
NJ Maddinson	c Guest b Watt	32	59	78	5 0
JJ Bushnell	c Madsen b Watt	9	28	39	1 0
L Trevaskis	not out	42	57	78	8 0
P Coughlin	not out	19	53	69	4 0
BA Raine					
TSS Mackintosh†					
OJ Gibson					
C Rushworth					
Extras	(b 4, lb 6, nb 6)	16			
Total	for 5 wickets in 53 overs	176	321	223	28 0
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
BW Aitchison		14	2	43	1 3.07 0 1
NJ Potts		4	2	17	0 4.25 0 0
S Conners		11	1	43	1 3.91 0 2
AK Dal		8	2	13	1 1.63 0 0
MRJ Watt		13	5	37	2 2.85 0 0
HRC Came		3	1	13	0 4.33 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-26 (MA Jones, 6.1 ov), 2-53 (SG Borthwick, 15.3 ov), 3-81 (SR Dickson, 26.3 ov), 4-103 (NJ Maddinson, 33.5 ov), 5-106 (JJ Bushnell, 35.4 ov)					

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Day One Report



A career best double century for Glamorgan captain David Lloyd put his side in the driving seat in this third v fourth clash.

Glamorgan finished the first day on 380 for 3, gaining four batting bonus points, with Lloyd on 203 not out with his second century coming off just 101 balls as Derbyshire's bowlers toiled.

Glamorgan first class debutant Tom Bevan offered good support with 48 in a century partnership which set the platform, while Billy Root made the most of a move up the order to five by contributing 77 not out in a partnership of 197.

Derbyshire needed a win to overtake Glamorgan and stay in contention for promotion going into the final round of fixtures, but now find themselves with their backs against the wall with the Welsh County looking to push on to a huge first innings total.

With a winner between these sides having a chance to challenge second placed Middlesex in the final round of matches, Lloyd's day did not start so well when he lost the toss and was asked to bat on a pitch which had a greenish tinge.

Three balls later and Derbyshire had lost opening bowler Ben Aitchison with a rolled ankle, which made the decision to bowl seem a little unfortunate. He did return to bowl one more over, and fielded at slip, but his future fitness in the game is doubtful.

Anuj Dal took over the rest of that over and also made the first breakthrough, getting opener Ed Byrom caught behind.

Bevan made his first class debut having made his breakthrough this season with a century against Hampshire in the Royal London Cup.

He was slower than Lloyd at the other end, but also showed enough promise to mark him out as one for the future. While he has helped steer local side St Fagans to the South Wales Premier League title this season, he is likely to be otherwise engaged next year.

He would have been disappointed to miss out on a half century, attempting to get there in style hitting across the line at spinner Alex Thomson and skying the ball instead.

Sam Northeast looked comfortable until he was clean bowled out of the blue with Luis Reece getting the ball to move off the seam.

While wickets fell at the other end, Lloyd got better and better. Having moved to his half century just before lunch, he moved to three figures comfortably before tea, no sign of nerves about his first hundred of the season as he smashed the ball aerially through mid on off Thomson to bring up the landmark.

His previous highest score this season was 84, his average in the mid 20s with the all rounder having moved to regularly opening the batting.

Soon after tea he surpassed his career best score of 121 and carried on past 150, with Billy Root offering steady support in another century partnership. Root moved to his half century off 94 balls as the run rate increased with the second new ball.

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Glamorgan captain David Lloyd got the highest ever first class score by a Welshman of 313 not out to put his side in control against Derbyshire.

They declared on a massive 550 for 5, and Lloyd's day got even better as New Zealand spinner Ajaz Patel and the Welsh County bowlers reduced Derbyshire to 135 for 5 at the close, still 415 behind.

The records kept falling for Glamorgan and Lloyd. The second highest score by a Glamorgan player, behind Sam Northeast's 410 against Leicestershire earlier this season, making it the first time that two players at the same county had registered quadruple and triple centuries in the same season.

It was also the highest score for a Glamorgan captain, while things went from bad to worse for opposite number Ben Godleman. He followed up the decision to insert Glamorgan with a duck opening the batting to set the tone for his side.

North Wales born Lloyd started the day with a double century to his name, but plenty of landmarks ahead of him. He lost overnight partner Billy Root and Chris Cooke relatively early, but then found a solid associate in Andrew Salter.

First the 30-year-old went past the 233 scored by Hugh Morris, now the county's chief executive, as captain. He was dropped by substitute Nafis Shaikh from a top edged sweep, a simple enough chance, when on 258 off the bowling of Alex Thomson.

Next up was Mike Powell's 299, the highest first class score by a Welsh-born player. A six off Thomson took him past that and the 300 mark.

When he reached 313 not out, off 398 balls, equalling the highest individual score at Sophia Gardens, scored by South African Jimmy Cooke, Lloyd decided to call it a day and declared.

Derbyshire started batting knowing they required more than 400 to save the follow-on with Godleman in poor form and not lasting long before edging Michael Hogan to Patel at third slip.

Brooke Guest flourished briefly before becoming Patel's first victim bowling, while Wayne Madsen went next ball – meaning his number of career ducks for Derbyshire, 35, edged past the number of career centuries, 34.

Leus du Plooy edged behind off Timm van der Gugten, while at the other end Luis Reece seemed to be playing a different set of bowlers reaching his half century out of the first 63 runs scored.

However the introduction of Salter, turning the ball away from the left hander, did for Reece, caught behind for 56 as Derbyshire slumped to 75 for 5 just after tea.

Harry Came, 21 not out, and Anuj Dal, 40 not out, steadied the ship and saw out the rest of the session, but their side still have a tough task over the two remaining days if they are to save the game.

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Luis Reece

New Zealand spinner Ajaz Patel claimed his first five wicket haul for new county Glamorgan to help them close in on victory at home to Derbyshire.

The Welsh County need another seven wickets on the final day to maintain the pressure on Middlesex in the race for the second promotion spot in Division Two.

It took two sessions for them to take the remaining five wickets of the Derbyshire first innings, Anuj Dal top scoring with 92, Patel taking two catches to add to his five wickets.

Not quite up to the Test record-equalling 10 wickets he managed with ball in hand for New Zealand in India, but still a massive contribution for his new county as they enforced the follow on. Derbyshire finished the day on 123 for 3.

Harry Came and Anuj Dal kept the scoreboard moving in reasonable comfort, without ever being able to relax on a wicket which was still offering something to the bowlers – albeit without pace.

Glamorgan had to wait until after 1.20 before taking their first wicket, a smart catch by Patel low to his left off the bowling of van der Gugten to ensure Came went for a well made 64 in a partnership of 145.

Alex Thomson fell cheaply to the bowling of Patel before van der Gugten claimed the crucial wicket of Dal, eight short of what would have been a well deserved century.

The all rounder was probably the pick of the Derbyshire bowling as well as their top scorer, taking his total runs scored from number seven in the batting line-up to more than 900 this season.

Derbyshire continued to show stubborn resistance as Patel took the rest of the wickets to claim his first five wicket haul for his new county, 5 for 68, well supported by van der Gugten who took 3 for 37.

Glamorgan had no hesitation in enforcing the follow on, Derbyshire trailing by 297, but more importantly leaving four sessions to take the 10 wickets needed for victory.

Australian Michael Hogan led Glamorgan onto the field after tea for his last innings at the home of Glamorgan cricket after a decade with the Welsh County.

First innings half centurion Luis Reece fell caught behind off Harris, but captain Ben Godleman led the way following his first innings duck.

Brooke Guest was undone by a beauty from van der Gugten which jagged back between bat and pad to hit the top of off.

Godleman had a bit of luck when he was dropped by David Lloyd at slip for 38, but it did not cost Glamorgan's skipper too dear as his opposite number fell for 40, LBW to van der Gugten, when close to his season's top score of 43. Wayne Madsen and Leus du Plooy saw out the rest of the day.

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Glamorgan survived a nervous morning to claim the innings and 24 run victory over Derbyshire they needed to keep their chances of promotion alive.

Seamer James Harris made the crucial breakthroughs to claim the wickets of Wayne Madsen and Anuj Dal, on his way to figures of 3 for 59. Australian Michael Hogan finished off proceedings on his last appearance in Cardiff after a decade with Glamorgan, with 2 for 54.

Derbyshire showed some stubborn resistance, but batting through three sessions on a fourth day wicket was always going to be a tall order. In the end they were 273 all out, thanks to Madsen, 77, and du Plooy, 66.

Glamorgan's 24 points haul means they will go into the final game in Sussex with a chance of promotion still alive, while Derbyshire will entertain Leicestershire with only local pride to play for.

Dark and cloudy conditions gave way to bright sunshine just before the start of play, Glamorgan would have been happier with the heavy atmosphere as they struggled to make the early breakthrough.

Du Plooy and Madsen played out the early overs easily enough and it came as a bit of a surprise when the South African shouldered arms to a ball from Michael Hogan which nipped back and hit off stump.

It has been a wicket where new batsmen have struggled on occasion and so it proved for Harry Came who was quickly LBW to Ajaz Patel.

Yet while Anuj Dal was at the wicket with Madsen there was no complacency among Glamorgan players or supporters, until James Harris came up with the big breakthrough in a burst after lunch.

He was close to having Dal LBW, an inside edge saving the batsman, but next ball the edge was not his friend as a snick carried to wicketkeeper Chris Cooke to expose the Derbyshire tail.

That started a burst of three wickets in 11 balls which effectively made Glamorgan's win just a matter of time. Andrew Salter had Alex Thomson LBW for a second duck in the match.

Then Harris struck again to take the key wicket of Madsen, who played on trying to steer the ball down to third man.

There was a brief flourish at the end from Sam Connors, getting his highest score of the season of 23 before hooking Michael Hogan to Timm van der Gugten at long leg.

In the end Glamorgan wrapped up their sixth victory of the season to keep their interest alive going into the final round of fixtures.

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Glamorgan 1st Innings		Derbyshire 1st Innings		Derbyshire 2nd Innings	
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
DL Lloyd*	not out	313	398	551	40 4
EJ Byrom	c Guest b Dal	13	15	25	2 0
TR Bevan	c sub (Shaikh) b Thomson	48	120	143	6 1
SA Northeast	b Reece	22	33	41	3 0
WT Root	lbw b Conners	79	147	195	9 0
CB Cooke†	c Thomson b Dal	7	16	16	1 0
AG Salter	not out	45	87	130	4 2
JAR Harris					
T van der Gugten					
AY Patel					
MG Hogan					
Extras	(lb 15, nb 8)	23			
Total	for 5 wickets dec in 135.2 overs	550	816	551	65 7
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
BW Aitchison		1.3	0	4	0 2.67 0 0
AK Dal		21.3	3	67	2 3.12 0 0
AR Sylvester		19	0	95	0 5.00 0 3
S Conners		24	4	93	1 3.88 0 0
LM Reece		26	2	89	1 3.42 0 1
AT Thomson		41.2	4	174	1 4.21 0 0
JL du Plooy		2	0	13	0 6.50 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-31 (EJ Byrom, 4.5 ov), 2-148 (TR Bevan, 41.4 ov), 3-183 (SA Northeast, 52.3 ov), 4-390 (WT Root, 99.5 ov), 5-399 (CB Cooke, 102.5 ov)					

Glamorgan 1st Innings		Derbyshire 1st Innings		Derbyshire 2nd Innings	
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
LM Reece	c Cooke b Salter	56	75	102	11 0
BA Godleman*	c Patel b Hogan	0	8	13	0 0
BD Guest†	lbw b Patel	11	42	44	2 0
WL Madsen	c Lloyd b Patel	0	1	3	0 0
JL du Plooy	c Cooke b van der Gugten	1	7	11	0 0
HRC Came	c Patel b van der Gugten	64	216	265	6 0
AK Dal	lbw b van der Gugten	92	212	268	12 0
AT Thomson	lbw b Patel	0	3	5	0 0
BW Aitchison	b Patel	6	66	77	0 0
S Conners	st Cooke b Patel	1	18	20	0 0
AR Sylvester	not out	11	28	30	2 0
Extras	(b 2, lb 9)	11			
Total	for 10 wickets in 112.4 overs	253	676	421	33 0
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
JAR Harris		14	3	50	0 3.57 0 0
MG Hogan		16	4	33	1 2.06 0 0
AY Patel		38.4	14	68	5 1.76 0 0
T van der Gugten		21	6	37	3 1.76 0 0
AG Salter		21	4	48	1 2.29 0 0
TR Bevan		2	0	6	0 3.00 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-4 (BA Godleman, 3.2 ov), 2-37 (BD Guest, 14.4 ov), 3-37 (WL Madsen, 14.5 ov), 4-50 (JL du Plooy, 17.4 ov), 5-75 (LM Reece, 25.1 ov), 6-220 (HRC Came, 89.5 ov), 7-221 (AT Thomson, 90.5 ov), 8-237 (AK Dal, 97.1 ov), 9-240 (S Conners, 102.5 ov), 10-253 (BW Aitchison, 112.4 ov)					

Glamorgan 1st Innings		Derbyshire 1st Innings		Derbyshire 2nd Innings	
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s 6s
BA Godleman*	lbw b van der Gugten	40	65	79	7 0
LM Reece	c Cooke b Harris	8	20	30	1 0
BD Guest†	b van der Gugten	9	19	31	1 0
WL Madsen	b Harris	77	163	240	10 1
JL du Plooy	b Hogan	66	111	154	10 0
HRC Came	lbw b Patel	2	10	12	0 0
AK Dal	c Cooke b Harris	25	47	44	4 0
AT Thomson	lbw b Salter	0	3	4	0 0
BW Aitchison	c Cooke b van der Gugten	12	29	50	1 0
S Conners	c van der Gugten b Hogan	23	35	39	3 1
AR Sylvester	not out	0	0	4	0 0
Extras	(b 10, lb 1)	11			
Total	for 10 wickets in 83.4 overs	273	502	346	37 2
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W RPO Wd Nb
MG Hogan		11	1	54	2 4.91 0 0
JAR Harris		20	4	59	3 2.95 0 0
T van der Gugten		13.4	3	41	3 3.00 0 0
AY Patel		22	3	71	1 3.23 0 0
AG Salter		17	5	37	1 2.18 0 0
FALL OF WICKETS					
1-26 (LM Reece, 7.4 ov), 2-55 (BD Guest, 14.3 ov), 3-66 (BA Godleman, 18.4 ov), 4-194 (JL du Plooy, 56.3 ov), 5-197 (HRC Came, 59.2 ov), 6-233 (AK Dal, 71.5 ov), 7-234 (AT Thomson, 72.3 ov), 8-234 (WL Madsen, 73.3 ov), 9-273 (S Conners, 82.6 ov), 10-273 (BW Aitchison, 83.4 ov)					

Derbyshire v Leicestershire at Derby 26-29 September 2022



England Lions fast bowler Sam Connors returned his best county championship figures of the season as Derbyshire made the early running on the opening day of the LV=Insurance match against Leicestershire at Derby.

Connors took 5 for 51 and pace partner Ben Aitchison 3 for 46 to bowl Leicestershire out for 249 with all-rounder Tom Scriven scoring 53, his third first-class half century.

When bad light ended play three overs early, Derbyshire openers Billy Godleman and Luis Reece had moved to 57 without loss, 192 behind.

Derbyshire's decision to bowl first was influenced by a green tinge to the pitch and threatening cloud cover but initially, they failed to exploit the conditions.

Leicestershire were going well until Budinger top-edged a pull at Aitchison and Brooke Guest leapt to take an excellent catch above his head.

The introduction of Connors and Anuj Dal slowed the scoring rate and the pressure was rewarded when Evans pushed at a ball he could have left and Guest pounced his second victim. Even so, Leicestershire were still well placed at lunch on 90 for 2 but the frailty of their batting was again exposed as four wickets went down in an afternoon session shortened by rain.

Louis Kimber went to the fourth ball after the interval when he was bowled by one from Aitchison that straightened and Lewis Hill followed six overs later, caught low down at first slip as he played forward.

Rehan Ahmed and Harry Swindells added 41 in 10 overs before Connors struck twice in three balls with Ahmed bowled aiming to drive and Swindells getting a reading edge as he looked to work the ball through midwicket.

But Derbyshire were frustrated by Scriven who played the best innings of the day to take his side past 200. He launched Alex Thomson over wide long-on for six and completed a deserved fifty when he steered Connors wide of third man for his sixth four.

By then, Roman Walker had clipped Thomson into Dal's hands at midwicket and Connors wrapped up the innings in the space of four balls as Leicestershire fell one short of a second batting point.

Scriven was lbw as he tried to work the fast bowler to leg and Callum Parkinson could only edge one that left him to give Guest his 50th championship catch of the season, the first Derbyshire wicketkeeper to reach the milestone since Luke Sutton in 2011.

Derbyshire were left with 19 overs to bat and their reply started to the surreal backdrop of fireworks exploding in bright sunshine above the City End of the Incora County Ground.

There were no batting pyrotechnics as Godleman and Reece accumulated steadily to the close although Reece was given a reprieve on 10 when he edged Scriven to third slip where Budinger spilled the chance.

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Luis Reece & Billy Godleman

Billy Godleman and Luis Reece scored their first county championship hundreds of the season to put Derbyshire in a commanding position on the second day of the LV=Insurance match against Leicestershire.

On a day of records at the Incora County Ground, Godleman, 158 not out, and Reece, 116, shared an opening stand of 251 to severely dent Leicestershire's chances of ending their winless run in the championship.

The bottom club in Division Two endured three tough sessions in the field, taking only two wickets as Derbyshire closed on 356 for 2, a lead of 107.

Leicestershire went into the day knowing they had to make early inroads with a ball that was only 16 overs old but a limited attack rarely looked like taking a wicket.

Even Chris Wright was out of sorts by his standards and the lack of pressure on Godleman and Reece allowed them to settle in and accumulate steadily throughout the morning session.

By lunch, Derbyshire had added 89 runs in 32 overs to move to 146 without loss, only the fourth century stand between Godleman and Reece in six seasons of opening together.

Reece pulled Ed Barnes for six to bring up the 200 stand in the 62nd over which was Derbyshire's fifth double century partnership of the season, a record for the county.

Five overs later he reached his century which came off 205 balls and Godleman needed one ball fewer to complete his which gave the pair another entry in the county record books.

It was the 16th instance of both openers scoring 100 in the same innings, the third time they have achieved the feat, equalling the Derbyshire record held by Kim Barnett and Peter Bowler.

The next milestone passed was Derbyshire's highest first wicket stand against Leicestershire of 233 set by Denis Smith and Albert Alderman at Chesterfield in 1937 and it came as a surprise when Reece was dismissed two overs before tea.

He chipped back a return catch as he went to drive Rehan Ahmed's leg spin but there was no respite for the visitors as Brooke Guest joined Godleman to set another record.

When Derbyshire reached a third batting point, they had scored 300 in the first innings of every championship match at Derby this season for the first time in the club's history.

When the light improved enough for Leicestershire to claim a second new ball, Roman Walker had Guest caught behind for 40 but Godleman reached his 150 before the close on the day he passed 10,000 first-class runs.

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Wayne Madsen

Sam Evans held up Derbyshire's victory charge on the third day of the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Leicestershire at Derby.

The opener stood firm to give his side a chance of saving the game after Derbyshire declared on 568 for 9, their highest score against Leicestershire, and a lead of 319.

It was the fifth time this season Derbyshire have scored 500 or more in a first-class innings, a club record, with Wayne Madsen's 92 making him the leading run scorer in the championship so far on 1,273.

Leicestershire's promising teenage leg-spinner Rehan Ahmed finished with 5 for 114 from 28.2 overs in his third first-class match and Evans provided the visitors with more encouragement with an unbeaten 59 out of 131 for 2 when bad light ended play.

Derbyshire already had a lead of 107 with eight wickets intact although they quickly lost Billy Godleman who edged a drive at Roman Walker without adding to his overnight 158.

Madsen and Leus du Plooy accelerated against some indifferent bowling with the exception of Ahmed who induced a few false strokes and exerted a measure of control. The-18-year-old removed du Plooy who drove back a return catch but Derbyshire's lead had increased to 219 by lunch with Madsen eying yet another century.

He was eight short when he tried to cut the 147th ball he faced and was caught behind off Walker but, if he does not bat again this season, he has scored 1800 runs in all formats.

Ahmed bagged two more wickets as the lower order hit out ahead of the declaration with Ben Aitchison caught at long off and Nick Potts bowled charging the leg-spinner after Chris Wright uprooted Alex Thomson's middle stump with a swinging yorker.

Faced with scoring 319 runs to make Derbyshire bat again, Leicestershire's first task was to negotiate 10 overs before tea which they managed assisted by bowling that was too short.

Derbyshire's attack adjusted their lines after the interval and made the first breakthrough in the second over of the evening session when Sol Budinger tried to pull Anuj Dal and got a steepling top edge to mid on.

It was hardly the shot the situation demanded but Sam Evans and Louis Kimber displayed better judgement to add another 54 runs in 14 overs before another rash stroke ended the stand.

The introduction of Luis Reece's medium pace from the City End tempted Kimber into a pull at his third ball and Sam Connors took the catch just inside the rope at deep midwicket.

But Evans and Lewis Hill dug in for 11 overs to leave Derbyshire with work to do on the final day.

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Rehan Ahmed scored a superb maiden century to save Leicestershire from defeat in the LV=Insurance County Championship match against Derbyshire at Derby.

The England Under-19 all-rounder decorated the last day of the season at the Incora County Ground with a breathtaking 122 off 113 balls to provide a memorable finale to a miserable season for Division Two's bottom club.

It was also a record-breaking performance as he became the first Leicestershire player to score his first hundred and take his maiden five wicket haul in the same match.

The 18-year-old was well supported by Lewis Hill who scored 60 off 157 balls and shared a fourth wicket stand of 163 in 35 overs with Ahmed.

Harry Swindells, 48, and Tom Scriven, 30, added 70 and although Sam Conners celebrated his county cap by taking his 50th championship wicket, Leicestershire were 86 ahead at 405 for 7 when rain consigned the game to a draw with 20 overs remaining.

Derbyshire probably sensed the chance of an early finish when Ben Aitchison struck in the fourth over of the morning.

Sam Evans had driven the fast bowler square to the boundary but the next ball drew him into playing and Wayne Madsen held a low catch at second slip.

Leicestershire's top order had collapsed in the first innings but Ahmed joined Hill to provide another impressive demonstration of his talent.

After a frenetic start, Ahmed settled in to bat with controlled aggression, playing shots all around the wicket to reach a brilliant hundred.

An upper-cut for six off Aitchison was one of the memorable shots in a maiden 50 which came off 60 balls and he needed only 39 more to reach three figures.

Another six off Thomson took him to 99 and the next ball he drove through the covers for his 12th four to reach three figures in only his third first-class match.

Ahmed is now in the distinguished company of former England all-rounder Phillip DeFreitas who was the last Leicestershire player to score a century and take five wickets in an innings in the same game in 2003 against Sussex at Grace Road.

Ahmed drove Thomson for a fifth six but in the next over he skied a slog-sweep at du Plooy and Luis Reece ran in to take the catch at mid on.

Hill had played a valuable supporting role but he fell to the second new ball when he tried to cut Aitchison and was caught at first slip.

Conners beat the bat numerous times before he struck twice in consecutive overs, having Tom Scriven caught behind pulling before Swindells dabbled the fast bowler into the gloves of Brooke Guest.

But the light was fading before rain swept in just after 4.30pm with Derbyshire finishing fifth in Division Two while Leicestershire end the season without a championship victory.

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26-29 September 2022 Scorecard



Leicestershire 1st Innings		Derbyshire 1st Innings		Leicestershire 2nd Innings				
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
ST Evans	c Guest b Conners	30	72	84	4	0		
SG Budinger	c Guest b Aitchison	23	30	44	3	0		
LPJ Kimber	b Aitchison	13	47	78	3	0		
LJ Hill	c Came b Aitchison	21	60	62	3	0		
Rehan Ahmed	b Conners	31	42	61	5	0		
HJ Swindellst	c Dal b Conners	15	30	41	3	0		
TAR Scriven	lbw b Conners	53	74	116	6	1		
E Barnes	lbw b Dal	8	29	40	1	0		
RI Walker	c Dal b Thomson	16	42	50	2	0		
CF Parkinson*	c Guest b Conners	8	25	25	2	0		
CJC Wright	not out	1	2	3	0	0		
Extras	(b 12, lb 10, w 2, nb 6)	30						
Total	for 10 wickets in 75 overs	249	453	305	32	1		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
BW Aitchison		19	5	46	3	2.42	0	0
NJ Potts		10	2	45	0	4.50	1	0
AK Dal		15	3	44	1	2.93	0	1
S Conners		17	6	51	5	3.00	0	1
LM Reece		7	1	24	0	3.43	0	1
AT Thomson		7	1	17	1	2.43	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-48 (SG Budinger, 10.5 ov), 2-71 (ST Evans, 20.6 ov), 3-90 (LPJ Kimber, 30.4 ov), 4-105 (LJ Hill, 36.4 ov), 5-146 (Rehan Ahmed, 46.2 ov), 6-147 (HJ Swindells, 46.4 ov), 7-186 (E Barnes, 55.4 ov), 8-230 (RI Walker, 67.5 ov), 9-248 (TAR Scriven, 74.3 ov), 10-249 (CF Parkinson, 74.6 ov)								

Leicestershire 1st Innings		Derbyshire 1st Innings		Leicestershire 2nd Innings				
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
LM Reece	c & b Rehan Ahmed	116	235	305	10	1		
BA Godleman*	c Swindells b Walker	158	328	437	16	0		
BD Guest†	c Swindells b Walker	40	95	83	4	1		
WL Madsen	c Swindells b Walker	92	147	202	9	0		
JL du Plooy	c & b Rehan Ahmed	43	63	87	8	0		
HRC Came	c Swindells b Rehan Ahmed	19	38	27	2	0		
AK Dal	not out	31	57	83	1	0		
AT Thomson	b Wright	0	2	4	0	0		
BW Aitchison	c Wright b Rehan Ahmed	18	27	30	3	0		
NJ Potts	b Rehan Ahmed	13	10	9	0	1		
S Conners								
Extras	(b 12, lb 5, w 1, nb 20)	38						
Total	for 9 wickets dec in 165.2 overs	568	1002	636	53	3		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
CJC Wright		32	4	102	1	3.19	0	5
RI Walker		26	5	84	3	3.23	0	2
TAR Scriven		14	0	46	0	3.29	0	0
E Barnes		15	3	74	0	4.93	1	3
CF Parkinson		41	8	110	0	2.68	0	0
Rehan Ahmed		28.2	2	114	5	4.02	0	0
LPJ Kimber		9	2	21	0	2.33	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-251 (LM Reece, 77.3 ov), 2-323 (BD Guest, 105.1 ov), 3-364 (BA Godleman, 115.5 ov), 4-435 (JL du Plooy, 133.5 ov), 5-471 (HRC Came, 143.6 ov), 6-518 (WL Madsen, 155.5 ov), 7-519 (AT Thomson, 156.2 ov), 8-550 (BW Aitchison, 163.2 ov), 9-568 (NJ Potts, 165.2 ov)								

Leicestershire 1st Innings		Derbyshire 1st Innings		Leicestershire 2nd Innings				
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
ST Evans	c Madsen b Aitchison	64	124	173	8	0		
SG Budinger	c Reece b Dal	27	36	47	5	0		
LRJ Kimber	c Conners b Reece	30	43	56	6	0		
LJ Hill	c du Plooy b Aitchison	60	157	228	4	0		
Rehan Ahmed	c Reece b du Plooy	122	113	137	14	5		
HJ Swindellst	c Guest b Conners	46	91	113	6	0		
TAR Scriven	c Guest b Conners	30	55	80	6	0		
E Barnes	not out	10	24	26	1	0		
RI Walker	not out	4	8	15	1	0		
CF Parkinson*								
CJC Wright								
Extras	(b 4, lb 1, w 1, nb 6)	12						
Total	for 7 wickets in 108 overs	405	651	439	51	5		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
BW Aitchison		27	4	102	2	3.78	1	1
NJ Potts		10	0	43	0	4.30	0	1
AK Dal		18	2	34	1	2.62	0	0
S Conners		27	5	85	2	3.15	0	0
AT Thomson		13	2	69	0	5.31	0	0
LM Reece		9	0	30	1	3.33	0	1
JL du Plooy		9	0	37	1	4.11	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-50 (SG Budinger, 11.3 ov), 2-104 (LRJ Kimber, 25.3 ov), 3-138 (ST Evans, 40.4 ov), 4-301 (Rehan Ahmed, 75.3 ov), 5-320 (LJ Hill, 81.2 ov), 6-390 (TAR Scriven, 102.1 ov), 7-395 (HJ Swindells, 104.4 ov)								



DERBYSHIRE County Cricket Club First Class Season 2022

First Class Batting Averages*

NAME	M	I	NO	R	HS	AVE	100	50
Shan Masood	8	13	0	1074	239	82.61	3	4
AK Dal	13	19	6	957	146*	73.61	3	5
WL Madsen	14	24	3	1273	176	60.61	3	10
JL du Plooy	14	23	3	845	134	42.25	2	5
BD Guest	14	24	0	923	138	38.45	4	2
MH McKiernan	4	5	0	174	101	34.80	1	1
HRC Came	5	9	0	300	78	33.33	0	3
LM Reece	12	21	2	620	116	32.63	1	3
HWR Cartwright	3	6	2	96	71*	24.00	0	1
BA Godleman	12	20	0	468	158	23.40	1	0
AT Thomson	11	15	2	234	54	18.00	0	2
BW Aitchison	6	10	2	119	25*	14.87	0	0
N Potts	5	7	0	46	13	6.57	0	0
S Conners	14	15	3	65	23	5.41	0	0

*Minimum 5 innings

Centuries (18)				
Shan Masood (1)	239	v Sussex	Incora County Ground	
Shan Masood (2)	219	v Leicestershire	Grace Road	
WL Madsen (3)	176	v Sussex	Hove	
BA Godleman (1)	158	v Leicestershire	Incora County Ground	
AK Dal (2)	146	v Sussex	Hove	
BD Guest (2)	138	v Glamorgan	Incora County Ground	
WL Madsen (2)	135	v Glamorgan	Incora County Ground	
JL du Plooy (2)	134	v Durham	Chester-Le-Street	
JL du Plooy (1)	122	v Durham	Chester-Le-Street	
BD Guest (3)	116	v Durham	Chester-Le-Street	
LM Reece (1)	116	v Leicestershire	Incora County Ground	
AK Dal (1)	114	v Worcestershire	Incora County Ground	
Shan Masood (3)	113	v Worcestershire	Incora County Ground	
AK Dal (3)	112	v Worcestershire	New Road	
WL Madsen (1)	111	v Sussex	Incora County Ground	
BD Guest (1)	109	v Glamorgan	Incora County Ground	
BD Guest (4)	109	v Nottinghamshire	Incora County Ground	
MH McKiernan (1)	101	v Leicestershire	Grace Road	

Century Partnerships (17)				
For the First Wicket				
Came HRC, Reece LM	161	v Nottinghamshire	Incora County Ground	
Reece LM, Godleman BA	251	v Leicestershire	Incora County Ground	
For the Second Wicket				
Masood Shan, Guest BD	158	v Worcestershire	Incora County Ground	
For the Third wicket				
Masood Shan, Madsen WL	292	v Sussex	Incora County Ground	
Masood Shan, Madsen WL	221	v Leicestershire	Grace Road	
Madsen WL, Guest BD	161	v Glamorgan	Incora County Ground	
Madsen WL, Guest BD	276	v Glamorgan	Incora County Ground	
Guest BD, Madsen WL	140	v Nottinghamshire	Incora County Ground	
For the Fourth Wicket				
Masood Shan, McKiernan MH	129	v Leicestershire	Grace Road	
Madsen WL, Du Plooy JL	128	v Glamorgan	Sophia Gardens	
For the Fifth Wicket				
Madsen WL, Reece LM	120	v Sussex	Hove	
Guest BD, Du Plooy JL	248	v Durham	Chester-Le-Street	
Du Plooy JL, Came HRC	143	v Durham	Incora County Ground	
For the Sixth Wicket				
Madsen WL, Dal AK	150	v Sussex	Hove	
Du Plooy JL, Dal AK	166	v Durham	Chester-Le-Street	
Came HRC, Dal AK	145	v Glamorgan	Sophia Gardens	
For the Seventh Wicket				
Dal AK, McKiernan MH	140	v Worcestershire	New Road	

First Class Bowling Averages*

NAME	O	M	R	W	BBI	AVE	5wl	10wM
AK Dal	332.3	62	1016	34	5/40	29.88	1	0
BW Aitchison	194.3	41	599	20	4/40	29.95	0	0
MRJ Watt	109.1	35	317	9	2/37	35.22	0	0
N Potts	113.5	13	428	12	4/50	35.66	0	0
S Conners	453.5	60	1790	50	5/51	35.80	2	0
MH McKiernan	42.0	1	146	4	1/10	36.50	0	0
RAS Lakmal	213.5	50	605	15	5/82	40.33	1	0
LM Reece	145.3	25	503	10	3/26	50.30	0	0
AT Thomson	375.5	92	1109	22	4/103	50.40	0	0
JL du Plooy	43.0	4	170	2	1/37	85.00	0	0
WL Madsen	45.0	18	102	1	1/12	102.00	0	0

Five wickets (4)			
AK Dal (1)	5/40	v Worcestershire	New Road
S Conners (1)	5/51	v Leicestershire	Incora County Ground
RAS Lakmal (1)	5/82	v Glamorgan	Incora County Ground
S Conners (2)	5/109	v Worcestershire	Incora County Ground

County Championship Division Two

Team	P	W	L	T	D	Points
Nottinghamshire	14	8	2	0	4	241
Middlesex	14	6	2	0	6	225
Glamorgan	14	6	3	0	5	216
Worcestershire	14	4	3	0	7	194
Derbyshire	14	3	3	0	8	185
Durham	14	3	3	0	8	174
Sussex	14	1	6	0	7	128
Leicestershire	14	0	9	0	5	93

Derbyshire v Birmingham Bears at Derby T20

27 May 2022



Birmingham Bears survived a late Derbyshire Falcons surge to win a thrilling Vitality Blast North Group game at Derby by three runs.

The Bears looked on course for a convincing win when Adam Hose scored 55 from 31 balls and Chris Benjamin an unbeaten 43 from 18 including five sixes as the fifth wicket pair plundered 98 from 42 balls. The Bears smashed 89 off the last five overs to reach 200 for the second night running but the Falcons fought back and came close to pulling off what would have been their biggest T20 run chase.

Brooke Guest's 54 from 34 balls almost swung the game in a dramatic finale but Craig Miles kept his nerve as the Falcons finished on 197 for 8. The Bears demolished Northamptonshire the previous night so it looked ominous for the Falcons when Paul Stirling took five boundaries from the first two overs. The Irishman pulled Sam Conners deep into the crowd in the fourth but when he tried to repeat the shot off the next ball, he holed out to deep midwicket.

Alex Davies ramped George Scrimshaw for 6 to take the Bears to 54 for 1 at the end of the powerplay but Jacob Bethell's attempt to drive the fast bowler over the top landed in the hands of mid off. Scrimshaw used the short ball well to stem the run flow and when Sam Hain was stumped stepping out to drive Mark Watt and Davies was caught behind cutting at Mattie McKiernan, the Bears had slipped to 89 for 4.

After McKiernan finished his spell, the Falcons looked like restricting the Bears to around 160 but Hose and Benjamin cut loose in the last five overs. Watt went for 24 in the 16th and after Hose drove Kerr for six to reach 50 off 28 balls, Benjamin smashed him for two more maximums with another 24 coming from the 19th. Hose pulled Conners to deep midwicket but that ushered in Carlos Brathwaite for a brutal cameo that included a pull drive which soared over long on and out of the ground.

It left Derbyshire needing to pull off an unlikely chase and their chances were dented when Shan Masood drove Danny Briggs to mid off in the third over. Leus du Plooy and Wayne Madsen gave the Falcons hope but when they fell in consecutive overs, the game looked up. The Falcons required an improbable 112 off 10 overs, but McKiernan and Guest raised the hopes of the home supporters by adding 48 from 26 balls with Brathwaite conceding 21 off the 16th over.

Henry Brookes added to the drama when he was taken off for two head high full tosses in the 18th over but Brathwaite responded with a superb over to leave the Falcons needing 18 off six balls. Guest cut Miles to the point boundary and then drove him for six before a no ball shifted the odds again but after he picked out Bethell at deep midwicket, Miles recovered impressively to see the Bears over the line.

Derbyshire v Birmingham Bears at Derby T20

27 May 2022 Scorecard



Birmingham Bears		Derbyshire Falcons					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s	
PR Stirling	c McKiernan b Conners	29	17	15	5	1	
JG Bethell	c Reece b Scrimshaw	14	13	29	2	0	
AL Daviest	c Guest b McKiernan	29	25	34	2	1	
SR Hain	st Guest b Watt	11	13	11	0	1	
AJ Hose	c McKiernan b Conners	55	31	40	3	4	
CG Benjamin	not out	43	18	37	1	5	
CR Brathwaite*	c Khan b Conners	10	3	3	1	1	
HJH Brookes	not out	0	0	2	0	0	
DR Briggs							
CN Miles							
JB Lintott							
Extras	(b 1, lb 3, w 5)	9					
Total	for 6 wickets in 20 overs	200	120	87	14	13	
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd Nb
H Kerr		4	0	55	0	13.75	0 0
MRJ Watt		4	0	45	1	11.25	1 0
S Conners		3	0	33	3	11.00	2 0
MH McKiernan		4	0	21	1	5.25	0 0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	31	1	7.75	1 0
WL Madsen		1	0	11	0	11.00	0 0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-40 (PR Stirling, 3.6 ov), 2-61 (JG Bethell, 7.3 ov), 3-76 (SR Hain, 10.1 ov), 4-89 (AL Davies, 12.2 ov), 5-187 (AJ Hose, 19.2 ov), 6-197 (CR Brathwaite, 19.5 ov)							

Birmingham Bears		Derbyshire Falcons					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s	
S Masood*	c Brathwaite b Briggs	12	7	11	2	0	
LM Reece	c Davies b Brookes	3	4	4	0	0	
HRC Came	c Hose b Miles	23	13	17	4	0	
JL du Plooy	c Bethell b Lintott	22	14	22	1	1	
WL Madsen	c Brathwaite b Briggs	20	12	17	3	0	
BD Guest†	c Bethell b Miles	54	34	49	4	3	
H Kerr	run out (Bethell/Davies)	8	10	9	0	0	
MH McKiernan	b Lintott	26	15	16	4	1	
MRJ Watt	not out	17	13	20	1	1	
S Conners	not out	1	1	1	0	0	
GLS Scrimshaw							
Extras	(lb 2, w 3, nb 6)	11					
Total	for 8 wickets in 20 overs	197	123	85	19	6	
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd Nb
PR Stirling		2	0	20	0	10.00	0 0
HJH Brookes		2	0	33	1	16.50	1 2
DR Briggs		4	0	30	2	7.50	0 0
CR Brathwaite		4	0	41	0	10.25	1 0
CN Miles		4	0	41	2	10.25	0 1
JB Lintott		4	0	30	2	7.50	1 0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-6 (LM Reece, 1.1 ov), 2-31 (S Masood, 2.6 ov), 3-55 (HRC Came, 5.1 ov), 4-81 (JL du Plooy, 8.1 ov), 5-88 (WL Madsen, 9.2 ov), 6-99 (H Kerr, 11.6 ov), 7-147 (MH McKiernan, 16.2 ov), 8-195 (BD Guest, 19.4 ov)							

Derbyshire v Leicestershire Foxes at Grace Road T20

28 May 2022



Wayne Madsen

Derbyshire Falcons picked up their first win of the Vitality Blast campaign as Leicestershire Foxes crashed to a second heavy defeat.

Pakistan opener Shan Masood made 53, sharing what proved to be the key partnership of the innings with Leus du Plooy, who hit an unbeaten 38 as the Falcons posted 159 from their 20 overs after being asked to bat first on the pitch on which Durham made a winning score of 184 for eight on Thursday.

Leicestershire fancied they could go close but on what proved to be a difficult surface to score fluently they stumbled to 47 for four in the powerplay and never recovered as the Falcons bowlers kept the pressure on throughout, dismissed for 89 to go down by a 70-run margin.

Leg spinner Mattie McKiernan's two for 17 was the pick of some miserly Falcons bowling figures.

The Foxes lost Scott Steel, recalled in place of Louis Kimber, when he was bowled by a full delivery from Hayden Kerr, the Australian left-armer who has replaced the injured Suranga Lakmal, and Hamish Rutherford, out first ball on his debut on Thursday, perished in the second over, leg before to Wayne Madsen.

Madsen produced a wonderful piece of fielding to run out Arron Lilley with a direct hit running in from point before Colin Ackermann sliced to backward point.

Lewis Hill was run out by wicketkeeper Brooke Guest before Rishi Patel was leg before to McKiernan. The Foxes tried to hit their way out of trouble but Rehan Ahmed succeeded only in picking out mid-off. Callum Parkinson became a second victim for McKiernan before Mark Watt, the left-arm spinner, picked up a deserved scalp, turning one past Roman Walker's bat. Kerr picked up his second wicket to finish the job as Naveen-ul-Haq skied to mid-off.

Having gone close to chasing down 200 against Birmingham Bears on Friday, the Falcons had begun confidently. They lost Luis Reece, bowled behind his legs by Roman Walker, and Harry Came, caught at backward point off the last ball of the opening six overs, but had 52 runs from the powerplay.

Falcons slipped to 77 for four after Wayne Madsen was bowled swinging fulsomely at Ben Mike and Brooke Guest, after his half-century the night before, saw his off stump knocked back as he made room to cut Callum Parkinson.

But Masood, prolific in the Championship, completed his first Blast half-century soon after ending a seven-over boundary drought with a couple off Naveen-ul-Haq, and Du Plooy, having driven Parkinson down the ground for four, cleverly ramped Scott Steel off the back of his bat.

The pair had added 51 in 26 balls when Masood sliced the same bowler straight to short third man.

Du Plooy and Hayden Kerr managed to eke out another 31 in the last four overs, Kerr driving Roman Walker to the straight boundary and Du Plooy picking up a fourth boundary with another innovative shot over the 'keeper's head.

The Foxes looked happy to have kept the Falcons below 160 but in the event they had more than enough.

Derbyshire v Leicestershire Foxes at Grace Road T20

28 May 2022 Scorecard



Derbyshire Falcons		Leicestershire Foxes						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	<u>c Parkinson b Steel</u>	53	43	57	4	0		
LM Reece	<u>b Walker</u>	19	11	9	<u>3</u>	0		
HRC Came	<u>c Walker b Naveen ul-Haq</u>	8	9	13	1	0		
WL Madsen	<u>b Mike</u>	8	8	9	0	0		
BD Guest†	<u>b Parkinson</u>	3	7	7	0	0		
JL du Plooy	not out	38	29	38	4	0		
H Kerr	not out	19	13	19	1	0		
MH McKiernan								
MRJ Watt								
S Conners								
GLS Scrimshaw								
Extras	(lb 3, w 8)	11						
Total	for <u>5 wickets</u> in 20 overs	159	120	77	<u>13</u>	0		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
CF Parkinson		4	0	31	<u>1</u>	7.75	1	0
S Steel		4	0	32	<u>1</u>	8.00	1	0
RI Walker		3	0	29	<u>1</u>	9.67	1	0
Naveen ul-Haq		4	0	34	<u>1</u>	8.50	1	0
Rehan Ahmed		4	0	26	0	6.50	0	0
BWM Mike		1	0	4	<u>1</u>	4.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-24 (LM Reece, 2.6 ov), 2-52 (HRC Came, 5.6 ov), 3-67 (WL Madsen, 8.3 ov), 4-77 (BD Guest, 10.5 ov), 5-128 (S Masood, 15.6 ov)								

Derbyshire Falcons		Leicestershire Foxes						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
HD Rutherford	lbw b Madsen	6	6	6	1	0		
S Steel	b Kerr	4	2	2	1	0		
AM Lilley	run out (Madsen)	15	8	16	3	0		
LJ Hill†	run out (Guest)	17	14	21	4	0		
CN Ackermann*	c Madsen b Conners	5	8	5	0	0		
RK Patel	lbw b McKiernan	3	8	11	0	0		
BWM Mike	not out	26	27	35	2	0		
Rehan Ahmed	c Khan b Scrimshaw	3	7	10	0	0		
CF Parkinson	b McKiernan	4	4	5	1	0		
RI Walker	b Watt	3	7	8	0	0		
Naveen ul-Haq	c Madsen b Kerr	0	2	3	0	0		
Extras	(b 1, lb 2)	3						
Total	for 10 wickets in 15.3 overs	89	93	63	12	0		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		1.3	0	6	2	4.00	0	0
WL Madsen		1	0	7	1	7.00	0	0
MRJ Watt		4	0	23	1	5.75	0	0
MH McKiernan		3	0	17	2	5.67	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	24	1	6.00	0	0
S Conners		2	0	9	1	4.50	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-5 (S Steel, 0.5 ov), 2-11 (HD Rutherford, 1.4 ov), 3-42 (AM Lilley, 4.3 ov), 4-47 (CN Ackermann, 5.5 ov), 5-47 (LJ Hill, 6.3 ov), 6-54 (RK Patel, 8.3 ov), 7-69 (Rehan Ahmed, 11.2 ov), 8-76 (CF Parkinson, 12.3 ov), 9-88 (RI Walker, 14.6 ov), 10-89 (Naveen ul-Haq, 15.3 ov)								

Derbyshire v Yorkshire Vikings at Headingley T20

31 May 2022



Wayne Madsen & Shan Masood

Wayne Madsen's unbeaten 39 off 21 balls saw Derbyshire to a nine-wicket victory over Yorkshire in his 400th appearance for the county as the Falcons chased 84 in an eight-over Vitality Blast fixture at Headingley.

Australian overseas all-rounder Hayden Kerr set Derbyshire on their way to a second North Group win in three games with two wickets in the first over of the match, which started at 8.35pm following rain, and the left-arm seamer was excellent in returning two for 18 from two overs as the Vikings were restricted to 83 for three.

Having been inserted, opener Dawid Malan's 50 off 23 balls underpinned their innings. But the England left-hander's second successive half-century was given little support, and that was key to a second defeat in four games.

Madsen shared an unbroken second-wicket partnership of 69 with Shan Masood (32 not out) as victory was secured with three balls remaining.

Derbyshire made the perfect start when Adam Lyth chipped the first ball of the match, from Kerr, to mid-off before Shadab Khan was caught behind trying to scoop five balls later as the score slipped to two for two.

But Yorkshire recovered to reach the end of the powerplay - 2.2 overs - at 21 for two, including Malan pulling Sam Connors into the Western Terrace for six.

Shortly afterwards, he pulled Kerr over midwicket for a flat six as the score moved to 36 for two in the fourth over.

Malan's innings was more muscle than finesse, though he did cheekily ramp Scotland left-arm spinner Mark Watt for four as he closed in on a fifty off 22 balls. However, Watt had him caught at deep midwicket next ball as the score fell to 65 for three in the seventh over.

Having been 55 for two after five overs, the Vikings would have hoped for more. But they only hit two fours and a six in the last three overs, and a four and a pulled six from Will Fraine came with the last two balls of the innings from George Scrimshaw.

Luis Reece was run out coming back for two to deep square-leg following a mix-up with opener Masood at the start of the third over - 15 for one.

Pakistan left-hander Masood crashed Jordan Thompson for six over long-on to take his side to 44 for one after four overs and slog swept Adil Rashid over mid-wicket shortly afterwards.

However, this was milestone man Madsen's night.

He sliced Haris Rauf for six over wide third and, with eight needed from the last over, reverse swept Adil Rashid for six with the final over's first ball.

Derbyshire v Yorkshire Vikings at Headingley T20 31 May 2022 Scorecard



Yorkshire Vikings		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
A Lyth	<u>c Khan b Kerr</u>	0	1	2	0	0		
DJ Malan	<u>c Conners b Watt</u>	50	23	32	<u>7</u>	<u>2</u>		
Shadab Khan	<u>c Guest b Kerr</u>	1	4	3	0	0		
DJ Willey*	not out	17	14	35	<u>1</u>	0		
WAR Fraine	not out	12	6	8	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
JA Tattersall†								
JA Thompson								
ML Revis								
DM Bess								
AU Rashid								
Haris Rauf								
Extras	(b 1, lb 1, w 1)	3						
Total	for <u>3 wickets</u> in 8 overs	83	48	40	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		2	0	18	<u>2</u>	9.00	0	0
S Conners		2	0	23	0	11.50	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw		2	0	22	0	11.00	1	0
MRJ Watt		2	0	18	<u>1</u>	9.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-0 (A Lyth, 0.1 ov), 2-2 (Shadab Khan, 0.6 ov), 3-65 (DJ Malan, 6.2 ov)								

Yorkshire Vikings		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	not out	32	18	38	2	2		
LM Reece	run out (Thompson/Tattersall)	6	6	11	1	0		
WL Madsen	not out	39	21	26	3	2		
HRC Came								
JL du Plooy								
BD Guest†								
MH McKiernan								
H Kerr								
MRJ Watt								
S Conners								
GLS Scrimshaw								
Extras	(lb 5, w 2)	7						
Total	for 1 wicket in 7.3 overs	84	45	38	6	4		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
DJ Willey		1	0	10	0	10.00	0	0
Haris Rauf		2	0	14	0	7.00	0	0
ML Revis		1	0	10	0	10.00	0	0
JA Thompson		1	0	19	0	19.00	1	0
AU Rashid		1.3	0	20	0	13.33	0	0
Shadab Khan		1	0	6	0	6.00	1	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-15 (LM Reece, 2.1 ov)								

Derbyshire v Lancashire Lightning at Old Trafford T20

1 June 2022



Leus du Plooy

Liam Livingstone's blistering 75 set Lancashire up for a pulsating Vitality Blast victory over Derbyshire at Emirates Old Trafford as they posted 219 for six and defended it to win by only 17 runs.

The England all-rounder clattered five sixes in 40 balls from number three after Lightning skipper Dane Vilas, with whom he shared 91 for the third wicket, elected to bat before Derbyshire responded with 202 for five.

Vilas added 34 off 22 as part of an entertaining support cast including Keaton Jennings (34) and Steven Croft (28).

Derbyshire's task was always going to be mountainous in reply, despite two wins in three previous North Group games, and so it proved - even with opener Luis Reece's 55 off 36 and Leus du Plooy's unbeaten 59 off 31 at either end of the innings.

After Jennings sliced Sam Conners to third, where fellow seamer George Scrimshaw took a fine running catch, and Phil Salt miscued Scrimshaw to mid-on - 75 for two in the eighth over, Livingstone and Vilas put Derbyshire under pressure.

Livingstone pulled two of his sixes and hit the other three either over long-on or straight. But Derbyshire, led by leg-spinner Mattie McKiernan and Scrimshaw, dragged things back impressively. McKiernan and Guest combined to get Vilas stumped as the score fell to 166 for three in the 16th, ending the eight-over third-wicket stand with Livingstone.

McKiernan had conceded 22 in his first two overs and ended with one for 34 from four overs, while Scrimshaw (three for 45) struck twice in the last to get Croft bowled and Tim David caught at deep midwicket.

Livingstone's impressive afternoon was far from over. He was the bowler when Falcons captain Shan Masood was run out trying to pinch one to cover to Croft - 25 for one in the third over of the reply - and then had Harry Came stumped in the eighth, leaving the score at 68 for two.

However, left-handed Reece ramped seamer Richard Gleeson for his first of two sixes on the way to 50 off 31 balls and hoisted Matt Parkinson's leg-spin over long-on.

But when he slapped Tom Hartley's left-arm spin to long-off - 90 for three in the 11th - it felt like a decisive moment.

Wayne Madsen holed out to Hartley shortly afterwards, and by the time the 15-over mark arrived the Falcons were 134 for four and still 86 from victory.

South African left-hander du Plooy united with Guest (35) to share 78, and while both played innings as destructive as Livingstone's, they had been left with too much to do.

They took the target to 36 off two overs with five sixes between them, though Gleeson bowled an excellent penultimate and conceded only six to leave Luke Wood defending 30 off the last.

Derbyshire v Lancashire Lightning at Old Trafford T20

1 June 2022 Scorecard



Lancashire Lightning		Derbyshire Falcons					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s	
PD Salt†	c Madsen b Scrimshaw	19	13	30	3	0	
KK Jennings	c Scrimshaw b Conners	34	21	16	5	1	
LS Livingstone	c Conners b Kerr	75	40	53	5	5	
DJ Vilas*	st Guest b McKiernan	34	22	35	3	1	
TH David	c Madsen b Scrimshaw	22	14	22	4	0	
SJ Croft	b Scrimshaw	28	10	14	2	2	
DJ Lamb	not out	1	1	3	0	0	
L Wood							
TW Hartley							
RJ Gleeson							
MW Parkinson							
Extras	(w 4, nb 2)	6					
Total	for 6 wickets in 20 overs	219	121	87	22	9	
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd Nb
H Kerr		4	0	45	1	11.25	1 0
MRJ Watt		4	0	39	0	9.75	0 0
S Conners		4	0	56	1	14.00	3 1
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	45	3	11.25	0 0
MH McKiernan		4	0	34	1	8.50	0 0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-45 (KK Jennings, 4.2 ov), 2-75 (PD Salt, 7.2 ov), 3-166 (DJ Vilas, 15.2 ov), 4-168 (LS Livingstone, 16.1 ov), 5-216 (SJ Croft, 19.3 ov), 6-219 (TH David, 19.6 ov)							

Lancashire Lightning		Derbyshire Falcons					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s	
S Masood*	run out (Croft/Salt)	8	6	11	1	0	
LM Reece	c David b Hartley	55	36	42	4	2	
HRC Came	st Salt b Livingstone	21	15	20	3	0	
WL Madsen	c Croft b Hartley	13	12	20	0	0	
JL du Plooy	not out	59	31	39	3	3	
BD Guest†	c Livingstone b Wood	35	18	28	3	2	
MH McKiernan	not out	5	2	1	1	0	
H Kerr							
MRJ Watt							
S Conners							
GLS Scrimshaw							
Extras	(lb 4, w 2)	6					
Total	for 5 wickets in 20 overs	202	120	81	15	7	
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd Nb
L Wood		4	0	43	1	10.75	0 0
RJ Gleeson		3	0	37	0	12.33	1 0
LS Livingstone		4	0	28	1	7.00	0 0
TH David		3	0	20	0	6.67	1 0
MW Parkinson		3	0	31	0	10.33	0 0
TW Hartley		3	0	39	2	13.00	0 0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-25 (S Masood, 2.1 ov), 2-68 (HRC Came, 7.3 ov), 3-90 (LM Reece, 10.2 ov), 4-117 (WL Madsen, 12.6 ov), 5-195 (BD Guest, 19.3 ov)							

Derbyshire v Notts Outlaws at Derby T20 3 June 2022

Match Report



Luis Reece & Shan Masood

A stunning display of muscular hitting from Alex Hales powered Notts Outlaws to a seven wicket Vitality Blast win over Derbyshire Falcons at Derby.

Hales demolished the bowling, smashing 12 fours and five sixes in a superb 91 which came off only 33 balls.

He dominated an opening stand of 119 from 51 balls with Joe Clarke as the Outlaws chased down the Falcons 178 in the 18th over.

Leus du Plooy top scored with 51 and Wayne Madsen made 40 but Jake Ball pegged the Falcons back by taking three wickets in the final over to finish with 4 for 40.

The Falcons started slowly after being put in but took flight when Luis Reece pulled James Pattinson for two sixes in the fourth over which cost 20.

The Falcons were motoring at 60 - 0 but the Outlaws slammed on the brakes when Calvin Harrison bowled Masood for 33 from 23 balls as he stepped away to cut the leg-spinner.

Reece went for 27 in the next over, stumped charging Samit Patel, and the spinners conceded only 24 from four overs to leave the Falcons on 84 -2 at the halfway point of the innings.

Pattinson and Steven Mullaney kept up the pressure but Madsen reverse swept Matt Carter for six before du Plooy drove the off-spinner over the ropes at long on with 17 coming from the 14th over.

Du Plooy went to 50 off 33 balls before he failed to beat Dan Christian's throw from cover but Madsen drove and pulled Ball for three consecutive fours in the 18th over.

Ball responded by bowling Madsen but Harry Came lifted Pattinson over the midwicket boundary as 15 came from the penultimate over.

Ball took three wickets and conceded only four runs in a superb final over to keep the Falcons under 180 but what looked a competitive total was shredded by Hales.

He launched the chase by driving Sam Connors for two fours and then swept Mark Watts for six before tucking into George Scrimshaw.

The fast bowler was pulled for six and driven for three fours with 20 coming from the fourth over and another 18 came from the next over as Hales raced to 50 off only 18 balls.

He drove Matt McKiernan for two more sixes but the leg-spinner broke the stand in the ninth over when Clarke swept him to deep square leg.

Hales' brutal innings ended when he skied Scrimshaw to long leg but the Outlaws now needed just 52 from the last 10 overs.

Scrimshaw removed Ben Duckett but Samit Patel completed 25,000 career runs in all formats as the Outlaws cruised home with 17 balls to spare.

Derbyshire v Notts Outlaws at Derby T20 3 June 2022

Scorecard



Derbyshire Falcons		Notts Outlaws						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	b Harrison	33	23	24	<u>6</u>	0		
LM Reece	st Moores b Patel	27	19	28	2	<u>2</u>		
WL Madsen	b Ball	40	30	42	3	<u>1</u>		
JL du Plooy	run out (Christian/Patel)	51	34	32	3	1		
BD Guest†	b Pattinson	5	3	13	1	0		
HRC Came	c Carter b Pattinson	11	4	4	1	1		
MH McKiernan	c Pattinson b Ball	1	2	4	0	0		
H Kerr	run out (Ball/Moores)	1	1	7	0	0		
MRJ Watt	b Ball	0	1	1	0	0		
S Conners	c Moores b Ball	2	2	1	0	0		
GLS Scrimshaw	not out	1	1	2	0	0		
AK Dal	not out	0	0	0	0	0		
Extras	(b 1, lb 3, w 2)	6						
Total	for 10 wickets in 20 overs	178	120	82	<u>16</u>	<u>5</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
M Carter		4	0	36	0	9.00	0	0
JT Ball		4	0	40	<u>4</u>	10.00	1	0
JL Pattinson		3	0	38	<u>2</u>	12.67	1	0
CG Harrison		3	0	19	<u>1</u>	6.33	0	0
SR Patel		4	0	25	<u>1</u>	6.25	0	0
SJ Mullaney		2	0	16	0	8.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-61 (S Masood, 6.3 ov), 2-67 (LM Reece, 7.4 ov), 3-144 (JL du Plooy, 16.5 ov), 4-158 (WL Madsen, 17.5 ov), 5-169 (HRC Came, 18.3 ov), 6-174 (BD Guest, 18.6 ov), 7-174 (MH McKiernan, 19.1 ov), 8-174 (MRJ Watt, 19.2 ov), 9-176 (S Conners, 19.4 ov), 10-178 (H Kerr, 19.6 ov)								

Derbyshire Falcons		Notts Outlaws						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
JM Clarke	<u>c Came b McKiernan</u>	25	20	33	3	0		
AD Hales	<u>c McKiernan b Scrimshaw</u>	91	33	37	12	<u>5</u>		
BM Duckett	<u>c Came b Scrimshaw</u>	20	11	12	4	0		
TJ Moore†	not out	22	22	31	2	1		
SR Patel	not out	19	19	22	<u>1</u>	0		
DT Christian*								
SJ Mullaney								
CG Harrison								
JT Ball								
JL Pattinson								
M Carter								
Extras	(w 1, nb 4)	5						
Total	for <u>3 wickets</u> in 17.1 overs	182	105	68	<u>22</u>	<u>6</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		2	0	24	0	12.00	0	0
S Conners		2.1	0	41	0	18.92	0	1
MRJ Watt		4	0	29	0	7.25	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	35	<u>2</u>	8.75	1	1
MH McKiernan		4	0	40	<u>1</u>	10.00	0	0
WL Madsen		1	0	13	0	13.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-119 (JM Clarke, 8.3 ov), 2-125 (AD Hales, 9.1 ov), 3-144 (BM Duckett, 11.2 ov)								

Derbyshire v Northamptonshire Steelbacks at Wantage Road T20 7 June 2022



Northamptonshire Steelbacks captain Josh Cobb struck 70 from just 44 balls, his highest score of this Vitality Blast season to help his side chase down 152 and earn a five wicket victory over Derbyshire Falcons with 11 balls to spare.

Cobb played a belligerent innings where he struck six fours and three maximums before Rob Keogh took the Steelbacks over the line.

Tom Taylor took three wickets in an over as the Steelbacks' bowlers restricted Derbyshire. Wayne Madsen was the only batter to offer any real resistance with 37.

The Falcons were kept to 40 for two at the end of the powerplay. Luis Reece swung one high over deep midwicket in the first over but Taylor and Ben Sanderson applied the brakes, backed up well by some sharp Steelbacks fielding.

Reece attempted to up the scoring rate but miscued a big shot against Taylor and offered a steeper of a catch to Neesham at midwicket. Masood fell shortly afterwards to an astonishing running catch by Keogh on the boundary at backward square off Sanderson.

Hayden Kerr (29 off 22 balls), promoted to number three, looked assured and put on 39 for the third wicket with Leus du Plooy (19). Any hope of building a big total fell away though when the Falcons lost three wickets for 16 runs in as many balls to stutter to 80 for five at the end of the twelfth over.

First du Plooy hit Freddie Heldreich straight to Taylor on the long-off boundary before Kerr holed out at deep midwicket off Jimmy Neesham. Brooke Guest then gave Heldreich his second scalp caught at point.

Madsen survived two dropped catches off Sanderson but Taylor struck back in the next over. Firstly he removed Madsen and Alex Hughes who both fell to catches by Cobb at cover before knocking back Mattie McKiernan's stumps. With a run out off the last ball, the Falcons finished on 151 for nine.

Chris Lynn, fresh from his heroics in the previous two Steelbacks home games, edged behind off the first ball of the chase bowled by Kerr.

Cobb though started aggressively, clubbing Kerr over mid off and then cutting him for consecutive boundaries. He slog swept George Scrimshaw over deep midwicket for six and hit Watt down the ground for another to take the Steelbacks to 53 for one at the end of the powerplay.

He had put on 55 with Ben Curran before his partner fell to a catch behind square off Scrimshaw when Connors took a well judged catch sliding on his knees to get to the ball. Saif Zaib made only six before he offered a catch behind off an attempted pull shot.

Cobb meanwhile advanced to his half century reaching the landmark off 31 balls before falling off a thick edge to Connors at deep point off Scrimshaw to leave the Steelbacks on 102 for four in the 13th over.

Jimmy Neesham hit 20 before he fell to a catch at long-on but Keogh held his nerve, finishing with an undefeated 28 off 24 deliveries.

Derbyshire v Northamptonshire Steelbacks at Wantage Road T20 7 June 2022 Scorecard



Derbyshire Falcons		Northamptonshire Steelbacks						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	<u>c Keogh b Sanderson</u>	11	15	20	<u>1</u>	0		
LM Reece	<u>c Neesham b Taylor</u>	8	10	13	0	<u>1</u>		
H Kerr	<u>c White b Neesham</u>	29	22	31	<u>3</u>	0		
JL du Plooy	<u>c Taylor b Heldreich</u>	19	14	19	<u>3</u>	0		
WL Madsen	<u>c Cobb b Taylor</u>	37	27	34	<u>3</u>	0		
BD Guest†	<u>c Curran b Heldreich</u>	2	5	5	0	0		
AL Hughes	<u>c Cobb b Taylor</u>	16	13	25	0	<u>1</u>		
MH McKiernan	<u>b Taylor</u>	1	2	3	0	0		
MRJ Watt	not out	15	9	12	<u>2</u>	0		
S Conners	<u>run out (White/Sanderson)</u>	2	4	10	0	0		
GLS Scrimshaw								
Extras	(b 2, lb 3, w 4, nb 2)	11						
Total	for 9 wickets in 20 overs	151	121	88	<u>12</u>	<u>2</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
JJ Cobb		2	0	13	0	6.50	0	0
BW Sanderson		4	0	32	<u>1</u>	8.00	0	1
TAI Taylor		4	0	27	<u>4</u>	6.75	0	0
JDS Neesham		4	0	34	<u>1</u>	8.50	2	0
FJ Heldreich		4	0	20	<u>2</u>	5.00	1	0
GG White		2	0	20	0	10.00	1	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-19 (LM Reece, 2.6 ov), 2-25 (S Masood, 4.3 ov), 3-64 (JL du Plooy, 9.2 ov), 4-74 (H Kerr, 10.4 ov), 5-80 (BD Guest, 11.6 ov), 6-130 (WL Madsen, 17.2 ov), 7-131 (AL Hughes, 17.4 ov), 8-132 (MH McKiernan, 17.6 ov), 9-151 (S Conners, 19.6 ov)								

Derbyshire Falcons		Northamptonshire Steelbacks						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
CA Lynn	<u>c Guest b Kerr</u>	0	1	0	0	0		
BJ Curran	<u>c Conners b Scrimshaw</u>	11	13	27	1	0		
JJ Cobb*	<u>c Conners b Scrimshaw</u>	70	44	47	6	3		
SA Zaib	<u>c Guest b Conners</u>	6	7	8	1	0		
RI Keogh	not out	28	24	36	2	1		
JDS Neesham	<u>c Reece b Hughes</u>	20	13	14	3	0		
TAI Taylor	not out	12	7	9	1	0		
LD McManust								
GG White								
BW Sanderson								
FJ Heldreich								
Extras	(lb 6, w 2)	8						
Total	for 5 wickets in 18.1 overs	155	109	73	14	4		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		2	0	23	1	11.50	1	0
MRJ Watt		4	0	30	0	7.50	0	0
MH McKiernan		4	0	32	0	8.00	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	32	2	8.00	1	0
S Conners		2.1	0	18	1	8.31	0	0
AL Hughes		2	0	14	1	7.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-0 (CA Lynn, 0.1 ov), 2-55 (BJ Curran, 6.4 ov), 3-77 (SA Zaib, 8.6 ov), 4-102 (JJ Cobb, 12.2 ov), 5-133 (JDS Neesham, 15.3 ov)								

Derbyshire v Leicestershire Foxes at Derby T20

9 June 2022



Shan Masood delivered a master-class in elegant timing to set up Derbyshire Falcons for a wicket victory over Leicestershire Foxes at Derby.

The Falcons skipper scored 73 from 32 balls as they chased down the Foxes 181 for 6 down with eight balls to spare.

Aaron Lilley's 67 from 41 balls had put the Foxes in a decent position but Masood's brilliance led the way and despite a late wobble Brooke Guest with an unbeaten 29 from 19 balls took the Falcons to a third North Group victory.

The Foxes had given themselves a solid platform by batting selectively to score 53 in the powerplay for the loss of Scott Steel who cut George Scrimshaw over backward point for six before skying Hayden Kerr to mid on.

With Rutherford working the ball into gaps on both sides of the wicket, the Foxes were 91 for 1 at the halfway point of their innings and Lilley reached an excellent 50 from 29 balls when he late cut Alex Hughes for his sixth four.

Rutherford moved to 35 from 28 balls, his highest score for the Foxes, before driving Mark Watt to Shan Masood at cover but Lilley maintained momentum by twice carving Scrimshaw for four in the 14th over.

McKiernan responded by conceding only four from the next and Scrimshaw struck twice in the 17th by using the short ball well to get rid of Lilley and Ben Mike off consecutive deliveries.

Alex Hughes kept up the pressure by trapping Rishi Patel lbw to become Derbyshire's leading wicket taker in T20, restricting the Foxes to five from the 18th, and Colin Ackermann's attempt at a big finish ended in the hands of cover.

But Lewis Hill drove and cut Hughes for four as the Foxes took 15 from the last over to post a competitive total.

Masood marked his 100th career T20 appearance by driving Steel over long on for six and pulling Naveen-ul-Haq for four before Luis Reece whipped Will Davis over the backward square leg boundary.

Masood's timing and placement brought him consecutive fours off Naveen and he moved to an effortless 50 from 21 balls to leave the Falcons well placed on 76 without loss at the end of the powerplay.

The Foxes had to remove him to have a chance and after dispatching Callum Parkinson for two more fours, he miscued a pull off Ben Mike to deep midwicket.

The Falcons went into the last 10 overs needing only 75 but they lost Wayne Madsen when he failed to beat Mike's throw from midwicket.

Leus du Plooy was bowled sweeping Callum Parkinson and the Foxes sensed an opening when Reece holed out to Rehan Ahmed in the 15th over.

But Guest and Hughes ran well between the wicket and after Hughes reverse swept Parkinson for six, Guest thumped Naveen for two fours to seal victory.

Derbyshire v Leicestershire Foxes at Derby T20 9 June 2022 Scorecard



Leicestershire Foxes		Derbyshire Falcons					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s	
HD Rutherford	c Khan b Watt	35	28	48	3	1	
S Steel	c Reece b Kerr	25	16	18	3	1	
AM Lilley	c McKiernan b Scrimshaw	67	41	46	9	2	
CN Ackermann*	c Khan b Kerr	25	20	29	3	0	
BWM Mike	c Madsen b Scrimshaw	0	1	1	0	0	
RK Patel	lbw b Hughes	4	5	4	0	0	
LJ Hill†	not out	17	8	11	2	0	
Rehan Ahmed	not out	1	1	4	0	0	
CF Parkinson							
Naveen ul-Haq							
WS Davis							
Extras	(lb 4, w 3)	7					
Total	for 6 wickets in 20 overs	181	120	81	20	4	
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Nb
H Kerr		3	0	25	2	8.33	1
WL Madsen		1	0	11	0	11.00	1
MRJ Watt		4	0	32	1	8.00	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	37	2	9.25	0
S Conners		2	0	19	0	9.50	1
MH McKiernan		2	0	17	0	8.50	0
AL Hughes		4	0	36	1	9.00	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-44 (S Steel, 4.5 ov), 2-114 (HD Rutherford, 12.1 ov), 3-147 (AM Lilley, 16.3 ov), 4-147 (BWM Mike, 16.4 ov), 5-152 (RK Patel, 17.4 ov), 6-166 (CN Ackermann, 18.6 ov)							

Leicestershire Foxes		Derbyshire Falcons					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s	
S Masood*	c Lilley b Mike	73	32	33	11	1	
LM Reece	c Mike b Rehan Ahmed	39	36	59	2	1	
WL Madsen	run out (Mike/Hill)	8	7	6	1	0	
JL du Plooy	b Parkinson	15	12	9	1	0	
BD Guest†	not out	29	19	22	3	0	
AL Hughes	not out	12	6	12	0	1	
H Kerr							
MH McKiernan							
MRJ Watt							
S Conners							
GLS Scrimshaw							
Extras	(lb 5, w 1)	6					
Total	for 4 wickets in 18.4 overs	182	112	71	18	3	
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Nb
BWM Mike		3	0	21	1	7.00	1
S Steel		3	0	28	0	9.33	0
Naveen ul-Haq		3.4	0	48	0	13.09	0
WS Davis		1	0	14	0	14.00	0
CF Parkinson		4	0	40	1	10.00	0
Rehan Ahmed		4	0	26	1	6.50	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-99 (S Masood, 8.4 ov), 2-108 (WL Madsen, 10.1 ov), 3-133 (JL du Plooy, 13.2 ov), 4-150 (LM Reece, 15.6 ov)							

Derbyshire v Worcestershire Rapids at New Road T20

10 June 2022



Mattie McKiernan

Derbyshire Falcons made it back-to-back wins in the space of 24 hours to boost their qualification hopes in the Vitality Blast with a 39 run success over bottom placed Worcestershire Rapids at New Road.

Shan Masood continued his excellent run of form in all competitions with a fine 65 after the Falcons were put into bat on a hybrid pitch. It followed on from his 73 in last night's six wicket win over Leicestershire Foxes at the Incora County Ground.

The Rapids looked in control when they reached 92-3 in the 12th over thanks largely to a half century from Brett D'Oliveira.

But a side completely lacking in confidence after a poor run of results subsided in quickfire fashion. They lost six wickets for 27 runs and closed on 129-9.

Mattie McKiernan impressed with 3-19 and there were two wickets apiece for Mark Watt and Hayden Kerr.

The Falcons, who were unchanged, elected to bat after winning the toss.

Moeen made the first breakthrough in his second over after taking the new ball. Luis Reece aimed a blow over mid-wicket and sliced the ball high in the air with Charlie Morris holding onto the chance at short fine leg. There was more joy for the England star when Hayden Kerr came down the wicket and sliced the ball straight to Kashif at point.

Masood completed a 36 ball half century and added 54 for the fourth wicket with Leus Du Plooy. But the Worcestershire attack proved hard to get away and the Falcons lost a flurry of wickets trying to up the scoring rate. D'Oliveira's introduction led to Masood's downfall on 65 when he edged a widish delivery through to Cox.

Du Plooy top edged another catch to Cox and Alex Hughes was yorked by a trademark Bravo delivery. Bravo ended with 2-28 and was straight back into the action to hold onto a chance offered by keeper Brooke Guest at long on in the final over from Pat Brown.

Derbyshire needed early wickets and Jake Libby was caught behind in Kerr's opening over. Moeen failed to trouble the scorers before he was lbw to a delivery from Mark Watt which spun sharply.

D'Oliveira cover-drove Watt and Kerr for boundaries but had a let off on 15 at fine leg off a top edge after George Scrimshaw and Watt collided. But alert keeping by Guest accounted for Colin Munro (5) who was stumped off Madsen.

D'Oliveira had another let off on 45 when Sam Connors spilled a chance at deep mid wicket off Mattie McKiernan but in the same over Jack Haynes was bowled off his pads. Ed Barnard departed in similar fashion in Hughes final over and there was a third scalp for McKiernan when Cox pushed forward and was lbw.

D'Oliveira made 55 but Worcestershire's last hope evaporated when he picked out deep square leg off Watt.

Derbyshire v Worcestershire Rapids at New Road T20

10 June 2022 Scorecard



Derbyshire Falcons		Worcestershire Rapids						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	<u>c Cox b D'Oliveira</u>	65	47	60	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>		
LM Reece	<u>c Morris b Ali</u>	11	7	9	<u>2</u>	0		
H Kerr	<u>c Kashif Ali b Ali</u>	2	4	7	0	0		
WL Madsen	<u>c Cox b Barnard</u>	16	10	16	<u>2</u>	0		
JL du Plooy	<u>c Cox b Bravo</u>	27	26	37	<u>3</u>	0		
BD Guest†	<u>c Bravo b Brown</u>	10	11	22	0	0		
AL Hughes	<u>b Bravo</u>	9	7	7	0	<u>1</u>		
MH McKiernan	not out	14	5	8	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
MRJ Watt	not out	7	3	4	0	<u>1</u>		
S Conners								
GLS Scrimshaw								
Extras	(b 1, lb 2, w 4)	7						
Total	for <u>7 wickets</u> in 20 overs	168	120	86	<u>15</u>	<u>4</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
MM Ali		4	0	24	<u>2</u>	6.00	0	0
CAJ Morris		3	0	45	0	15.00	1	0
PR Brown		3	0	25	<u>1</u>	8.33	0	0
DJ Bravo		4	0	28	<u>2</u>	7.00	1	0
BL D'Oliveira		2	0	13	<u>1</u>	6.50	1	0
EG Barnard		4	0	30	<u>1</u>	7.50	1	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-20 (LM Reece, 2.2 ov), 2-30 (H Kerr, 4.1 ov), 3-68 (WL Madsen, 8.2 ov), 4-122 (S Masood, 14.2 ov), 5-131 (JL du Plooy, 16.5 ov), 6-145 (AL Hughes, 18.2 ov), 7-153 (BD Guest, 19.1 ov)								

Derbyshire Falcons		Worcestershire Rapids						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
JD Libby	<u>c Guest b Kerr</u>	3	2	3	0	0		
BL D'Oliveira	<u>c Hughes b Watt</u>	55	43	67	<u>5</u>	0		
MM Ali*	<u>lbw b Watt</u>	0	1	3	0	0		
C Munro	<u>st Guest b Madsen</u>	5	4	8	<u>1</u>	0		
JA Haynes	<u>b McKiernan</u>	35	30	28	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>		
Kashif Ali	<u>c Hughes b McKiernan</u>	3	7	6	0	0		
EG Barnard	<u>b Hughes</u>	4	5	4	0	0		
OB Cox†	<u>lbw b McKiernan</u>	5	3	3	<u>1</u>	0		
DJ Bravo	<u>c McKiernan b Kerr</u>	2	5	5	0	0		
PR Brown	not out	9	13	12	0	0		
CAJ Morris	not out	4	7	8	0	0		
Extras	(lb 2, w 2)	4						
Total	for 9 wickets in 20 overs	129	120	76	<u>10</u>	<u>2</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		4	0	24	<u>2</u>	6.00	1	0
MRJ Watt		4	0	28	<u>2</u>	7.00	0	0
WL Madsen		1	0	3	<u>1</u>	3.00	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw		3	0	32	0	10.67	0	0
AL Hughes		4	0	21	<u>1</u>	5.25	1	0
MH McKiernan		4	0	19	<u>3</u>	4.75	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-8 (JD Libby, 0.6 ov), 2-13 (MM Ali, 1.4 ov), 3-27 (C Munro, 3.3 ov), 4-92 (JA Haynes, 11.5 ov), 5-99 (Kashif Ali, 13.3 ov), 6-104 (EG Barnard, 14.4 ov), 7-111 (OB Cox, 15.2 ov), 8-115 (DJ Bravo, 16.3 ov), 9-119 (BL D'Oliveira, 17.2 ov)								

Derbyshire v Yorkshire Vikings at Queen's Park T20 18 June 2022



Leus du Plooy

Leus du Plooy smashed an unbeaten 48 off 20 balls to lead the Falcons to a six wicket victory over Yorkshire Vikings in a rain reduced Vitality Blast North Group match at Chesterfield.

With the Falcons chasing a revised target of 105 from 10 overs, du Plooy hit two sixes and a four off Matthew Waite to clinch a dramatic win with two balls to spare.

Harry Brook scored 77 off 50 balls, his third 50 of the competition, and Finn Allen 37 from 17 balls but the Vikings lost their last five wickets for six runs in 11 balls to finish on 175.

Fast bowler George Scrimshaw took three wickets in the final over to finish with 3 for 20 and spinner Mark Watt 3 for 29 before rain delayed the contest for 90 minutes.

The Vikings looked favourites when Dom Leech took three wickets but du Plooy had the final word to give the Falcons a fourth straight T20 win over Yorkshire at Queen's Park.

The Vikings had threatened to run riot after Allen and Adam Lyth took 32 from the first two overs but Watt slammed on the brakes with a double wicket- maiden in the third. Lyth was bowled swinging wildly at the spinner's first ball and Tom Kohler-Cadmore was yorked by a quicker ball without scoring.

Watt's next over cost 14 as Brook drove him for four and a straight six but the Falcons claimed the big wicket of Allen in the last over of the powerplay when he lifted Mattie McKiernan to deep square.

Shadab Khan drove McKiernan for six but then played on to Watt before Will Fraine drilled Hughes to long off.

Brook and Matthew Waite fell to Kerr trying to clear the ropes before Scrimshaw bowled a superb final over, taking three wickets and conceding only one run.

Jordan Thompson skied to third man, Dom Bess was lbw first ball and Matthew Revis was caught behind swinging at another well directed short ball.

Rain delayed the Falcons chase and when the game resumed, Leech struck twice in the second over.

Luis Reece ramped the first ball for six but was lbw to the next and Wayne Madsen was caught behind cutting at the fifth.

Du Plooy pulled two fours off the fifth to leave the Falcons needing 56 off 30 balls and the home side moved ahead of the rate with boundaries off Matthew Waite.

With the rain falling again, Shan Masood cut Thompson for four to reduce the target to 32 from 18 balls but was superbly caught at short third man by Bess.

Guest pulled Khan to long on but with 19 needed off the last over, Waite bowled a wide and du Plooy did win the game in style with a huge six over midwicket.

Derbyshire v Yorkshire Vikings at Queen's Park T20 18 June 2022

Scorecard



Yorkshire Vikings		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
A Lyth	b Watt	8	5	12	0	1		
FH Allen	c Conners b McKiernan	37	17	26	1	4		
T Kohler-Cadmore†	b Watt	0	4	2	0	0		
HC Brook*	c Madsen b Kerr	77	50	60	4	4		
Shadab Khan	b Watt	26	16	17	2	1		
WAR Fraine	c Madsen b Hughes	2	3	6	0	0		
JA Thompson	c Watt b Scrimshaw	12	17	30	0	0		
MJ Waite	c Reece b Kerr	4	4	3	1	0		
ML Revis	c Guest b Scrimshaw	0	1	5	0	0		
DM Bess	lbw b Scrimshaw	0	1	1	0	0		
DJ Leech	not out	1	2	2	0	0		
Extras	(b 4, lb 2, w 2)	8						
Total	for 10 wickets in 20 overs	175	120	84	8	10		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		2	0	20	2	10.00	1	0
S Conners		1	0	17	0	17.00	0	0
MRJ Watt		4	1	29	3	7.25	0	0
WL Madsen		2	0	12	0	6.00	0	0
MH McKiernan		3	0	32	1	10.67	0	0
AL Hughes		4	0	39	1	9.75	1	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	20	3	5.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-32 (A Lyth, 2.1 ov), 2-32 (T Kohler-Cadmore, 2.5 ov), 3-62 (FH Allen, 5.6 ov), 4-109 (Shadab Khan, 10.6 ov), 5-126 (WAR Fraine, 12.4 ov), 6-169 (HC Brook, 18.2 ov), 7-174 (MJ Waite, 18.6 ov), 8-174 (JA Thompson, 19.2 ov), 9-174 (DM Bess, 19.3 ov), 10-175 (ML Revis, 19.6 ov)								

Yorkshire Vikings		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	<u>c Bess b Leech</u>	34	24	34	<u>5</u>	0		
LM Reece	<u>lbw b Leech</u>	11	4	4	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
WL Madsen	<u>c Kohler-Cadmore b Leech</u>	0	3	2	0	0		
JL du Plooy	not out	48	20	41	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>		
BD Guest†	<u>c Lyth b Shadab Khan</u>	3	5	6	0	0		
MH McKiernan	not out	4	2	7	<u>1</u>	0		
AL Hughes								
H Kerr								
MRJ Watt								
S Conners								
GLS Scrimshaw								
Extras	(lb 2, w 3)	5						
Total	for <u>4 wickets</u> in 9.4 overs	105	58	49	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
DM Bess		1	0	10	0	10.00	0	0
DJ Leech		2	0	13	<u>3</u>	6.50	1	0
ML Revis		1	0	15	0	15.00	0	0
JA Thompson		2	0	12	0	6.00	0	0
Shadab Khan		2	0	19	<u>1</u>	9.50	1	0
MJ Waite		1.4	0	34	0	20.40	1	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-16 (LM Reece, 1.2 ov), 2-16 (WL Madsen, 1.5 ov), 3-78 (S Masood, 7.4 ov), 4-82 (BD Guest, 8.4 ov)								

Derbyshire v Birmingham Bears at Edgbaston T20

19 June 2022



Sam Conners

Derbyshire Falcons' Vitality Blast charge continued with a thumping seven-wicket win over Birmingham Bears at Edgbaston.

The Falcons lodged their fourth successive victory as they comfortably beat a Bears side which had piled up a Blast record total against Notts Outlaws only two days earlier.

This time the Bears were restricted to 159 for seven by excellent bowling led by Sam Conners (three for 25) and Mattie McKiernan (two for 18). Sam Hain continued his sublime form with an unbeaten 73 (40 balls) but no other batter escaped the shackles.

The visitors made light of the modest target, racing to 160 for three with 11 balls to spare. Luis Reece supplied early impetus with 38 (24 balls) before Wayne Madsen (55, 34 balls) and captain Shan Masood (45 not out, 45) added 89 in 59 balls to seal victory.

The win lifts the Falcons into the qualification spots while the Bears are also still there but remain hit and miss, their record total of 261 on Friday sandwiched between defeats by ten and seven wickets. Another concern for them was Hain's absence when fielding due to a sore back.

The Bears chose to bat but soon hit trouble against well-directed bowling. They were 23 for three after Conners removed Paul Stirling and Alex Davies and Rob Yates lifted Mark Watt long leg.

Hain motored to 50 from 29 balls, but support for him was fleeting. Adam Hose lifted Mattie McKiernan for six but edged the next ball to wicketkeeper Brooke Guest.

The Falcons' attack, astutely orchestrated by captain Masood, kept the pressure high. Chris Benjamin, Carlos Brathwaite and Jake Lintott all cleared the ropes once but perished trying to repeat the big blows. Hain found himself too often at the non-striker's end as the Bears came in short.

The Falcons' reply was given a flier as Masood and Reece put 50 on the board in 33 balls. A comical mix up, which saw them both at the same end, did for Reece but Madsen hit two sixes from his first six balls and applied measured acceleration while Masood played the perfect anchor role.

The Bears' unhappy day continued when they were penalised five runs after bowler Brathwaite, seeing Madsen set off for a single, sent in a throw which would have hit the stumps but struck the batsman. The umpires' bizarre decision to deem it dangerous play summed up a bad day for the Bears.

Madsen advanced to a 29-ball half-century and the Falcons rose impressively into the top four of the North Group.

Derbyshire v Birmingham Bears at Edgbaston T20

19 June 2022 Scorecard



Birmingham Bears		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
PR Stirling	<u>c du Plooy b Conners</u>	2	5	5	0	0		
RM Yates	<u>c du Plooy b Watt</u>	4	7	11	0	0		
AL Davies†	<u>c Madsen b Conners</u>	5	7	11	0	0		
SR Hain	not out	73	40	68	7	1		
AJ Hose	<u>c Guest b McKiernan</u>	20	13	15	1	1		
CG Benjamin	<u>c McKiernan b Scrimshaw</u>	13	12	14	0	1		
CR Brathwaite*	<u>b McKiernan</u>	18	14	11	2	1		
JB Lintott	<u>c Guest b Conners</u>	16	20	18	0	1		
HJH Brookes	not out	5	2	2	1	0		
CN Miles								
OP Stone								
Extras	(lb 2, w 1)	3						
Total	for 7 wickets in 20 overs	159	120	80	11	5		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		3	0	30	0	10.00	0	0
S Conners		3	0	25	3	8.33	0	0
MRJ Watt		4	0	28	1	7.00	1	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	36	1	9.00	0	0
MH McKiernan		3	0	18	2	6.00	0	0
AL Hughes		3	0	20	0	6.67	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-5 (PR Stirling, 1.3 ov), 2-11 (RM Yates, 2.5 ov), 3-23 (AL Davies, 3.6 ov), 4-59 (AJ Hose, 7.5 ov), 5-88 (CG Benjamin, 11.2 ov), 6-113 (CR Brathwaite, 14.3 ov), 7-152 (JB Lintott, 19.3 ov)								

Birmingham Bears		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	not out	45	45	80	<u>5</u>	0		
LM Reece	<u>run out</u> (Brathwaite/Brookes/Davies)	38	24	27	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>		
WL Madsen	<u>c Stirling b Stone</u>	55	34	43	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>		
JL du Plooy	<u>c Miles b Brathwaite</u>	6	4	5	0	<u>1</u>		
BD Guest†	not out	4	3	3	<u>1</u>	0		
AL Hughes								
MH McKiernan								
H Kerr								
MRJ Watt								
S Conners								
GLS Scrimshaw								
Extras	(lb 2, w 3, nb 2, pen 5)	12						
Total	for <u>3 wickets</u> in 18.1 overs	160	110	80	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
OP Stone		4	0	29	<u>1</u>	7.25	1	0
HJH Brookes		3.1	0	29	0	9.16	0	0
PR Stirling		1	0	9	0	9.00	0	0
CN Miles		2	0	20	0	10.00	0	1
JB Lintott		4	0	37	0	9.25	1	0
CR Brathwaite		4	0	29	<u>1</u>	7.25	1	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-55 (LM Reece, 6.4 ov), 2-144 (WL Madsen, 16.3 ov), 3-151 (JL du Plooy, 17.3 ov)								

Derbyshire v Northamptonshire Steelbacks at Derby T20 21 June 2022



Brilliant batting from Wayne Madsen and Shan Masood kept Derbyshire Falcons on course for the Vitality Blast quarter-finals with a six wicket victory over Northamptonshire Steelbacks at Derby.

The pair smashed 95 from 50 balls to take the Falcons to a fifth straight victory for the first time in T20 cricket as they chased down a 187 target with six balls to spare.

Masood scored 57 from 43 balls and Madsen a destructive 73 with 10 fours and two sixes from only 37 balls as the Falcons cruised home on 192 for 4.

Saif Zaib scored a T20 career-best 92 from 58 balls to take the Steelbacks to 186 for 7 but it was not enough as the Falcons moved to one point of North Group leaders Lancashire Lightning who they play on Friday.

Chris Lynn skied a swing at Sam Connors and Madsen held a steepling catch at cover before Hayden Kerr removed Josh Cobb. The Steelbacks skipper drove and pulled Connors for four consecutive fours but then lost his off stump making room to cut Kerr.

That followed Ben Curran's miscued clip at Mark Watt into the hands of mid-on and at the end of six overs, the Steelbacks were 58 for 3.

Rob Keogh was caught off a George Scrimshaw no ball but after hitting the free hit to the boundary, top edged a pull to third man.

Zaib mixed improvisation with placement to reach 50 off 36 balls but the introduction of Matt McKiernan in the 15th over removed the dangerous Neesham who was stumped charging the leg spinner.

The Falcons lost Luis Reece in the first over when he chipped a return catch to Cobb but Kerr pulled Tom Taylor and Ben Sanderson for maximums.

Kerr swung the first ball from Freddie Heldreich into the hands of deep midwicket but Masood took two boundaries from the wrist spinner's next over to keep the Falcons on track.

Madsen drove and pulled Neesham for two fours to leave the Falcons needing 97 off the last 10 overs and he reverse swept Graeme White for six as 14 came from the 11th over.

The Steelbacks were struggling to contain the pair with Masood steering Sanderson to the third man boundary on his way to a 36 ball 50.

Cobb returned but Madsen ramped him for two fours as the Falcons accelerated towards their target with 46 coming from three overs.

A reverse swept six took Madsen to a 24 ball 50 and although Masood holed out to long on, only 36 were needed off the last five overs.

Madsen was caught behind off Neesham in the 19th over but the game was over as a contest and Leus du Plooy finished in style with a big six over deep mid-wicket.

Derbyshire v Northamptonshire Steelbacks at Derby T20 21 June 2022 Scorecard



Northamptonshire Steelbacks		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
BJ Curran	<u>c Reece b Watt</u>	3	6	11	0	0		
CA Lynn	<u>c Madsen b Conners</u>	5	5	6	1	0		
JJ Cobb*	<u>b Kerr</u>	17	6	10	4	0		
SA Zaib	<u>run out (Scrimshaw/Guest)</u>	92	58	72	8	4		
RI Keogh	<u>c Kerr b Scrimshaw</u>	9	12	17	1	0		
JDS Neesham	<u>st Guest b McKiernan</u>	28	20	27	0	2		
TAI Taylor	<u>b Scrimshaw</u>	10	7	12	1	0		
LD McManus†	not out	9	6	10	0	1		
GG White	not out	1	1	1	0	0		
BW Sanderson								
FJ Heldreich								
Extras	(b 1, lb 1, w 8, nb 2)	12						
Total	for 7 wickets in 20 overs	186	121	85	15	7		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		4	0	29	1	7.25	0	0
S Conners		2	0	24	1	12.00	0	0
MRJ Watt		4	0	30	1	7.50	2	0
WL Madsen		3	0	30	0	10.00	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	34	2	8.50	1	1
AL Hughes		1	0	11	0	11.00	1	0
MH McKiernan		2	0	26	1	13.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-8 (CA Lynn, 1.2 ov), 2-24 (BJ Curran, 2.3 ov), 3-34 (JJ Cobb, 3.2 ov), 4-70 (RI Keogh, 7.3 ov), 5-134 (JDS Neesham, 14.6 ov), 6-165 (TAI Taylor, 17.4 ov), 7-179 (SA Zaib, 19.4 ov)								

Northamptonshire Steelbacks		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	<u>c Neesham b Heldreich</u>	57	43	61	<u>7</u>	0		
LM Reece	<u>c & b Cobb</u>	1	3	2	0	0		
H Kerr	<u>c White b Heldreich</u>	29	17	23	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
WL Madsen	<u>c McManus b Neesham</u>	73	37	52	<u>10</u>	<u>2</u>		
JL du Plooy	not out	16	14	21	0	<u>1</u>		
BD Guest†	not out	<u>1</u>	1	3	0	0		
AL Hughes								
MH McKiernan								
MRJ Watt								
S Conners								
GLS Scrimshaw								
Extras	(lb 5, w 8, nb 2)	15						
Total	for <u>4 wickets</u> in 19 overs	192	115	82	<u>19</u>	<u>5</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
JJ Cobb		3	0	26	<u>1</u>	8.67	2	0
BW Sanderson		3	0	38	0	12.67	0	0
TAI Taylor		4	0	39	0	9.75	2	0
JDS Neesham		4	0	38	<u>1</u>	9.50	1	1
FJ Heldreich		4	0	33	<u>2</u>	8.25	1	0
GG White		1	0	13	0	13.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-4 (LM Reece, 0.5 ov), 2-54 (H Kerr, 6.1 ov), 3-149 (S Masood, 14.3 ov), 4-183 (WL Madsen, 18.2 ov)								

Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire Outlaws at Trent Bridge T20 23 June 2022



Brooke Guest

Derbyshire Falcons' five-match winning streak in the Vitality Blast came to an end after Notts Outlaws bounced back from three consecutive defeats by posting 247 for six - their highest total in this format - in a thumping 94-run victory over their East Midlands neighbours.

Ben Duckett hit a season's-best 63 and Alex Hales a third half-century of the campaign as the Outlaws enjoyed their best night of what has been a disappointing season.

On a good batting surface, the Falcons had fancied themselves in a chase when they opted to field first but were never in the hunt, bowled out for 153 as fast bowler Zak Chappell marked his first appearance of the season by taking three for 28, veteran spinner Samit Patel three for 32 and Steven Mullaney a miserly two for 17 after Brooke Guest top-scored for Derbyshire with an unbeaten 40.

After racking up 95 in the powerplay at Derby earlier in the season, the Outlaws punished the Falcons bowlers again with 86 off the first six and never took their foot off the pedal.

Hales set the tone with a brutal 55 off just 22 deliveries. The all-time leading English batter twice cleared the ropes as he plundered 21 against Sam Conners in the second over and lofted a towering straight six off Mattie McKiernan to complete his half-century. He eventually fell after being caught at long-on.

Joe Clarke, who got away with a miscue when still in single figures, pulled Wayne Madsen's opening ball for six to move to 38 before he was caught by the bowler off a towering top edge.

Three boundaries in a row by Duckett off Madsen took the Outlaws to 124 for two at half-way, which became 188 for three after 15 after Mullaney has blasted 45 off 20 balls including four sixes, three of them off consecutive balls from Scrimshaw as a top-edge over long leg was followed by two more launched over mid-wicket, where he was caught going for another.

Duckett completed his first half-century of the year before hitting straight to mid-on and Samit Patel was brilliantly caught by Leus du Plooy on the midwicket boundary as Mark Watt (one for 51) and Scrimshaw (two for 62) picked up consolation wickets, but four boundaries by Tom Moores took the Outlaws past their previous record total, also against Derbyshire, of 227 in 2017.

The Falcons responded with 72 in their powerplay but at the cost of three wickets, critically among them that of leading scorer Shan Masood, bowled making room to cut by Chappell. Luis Reece and McKiernan were the other two casualties, as Clarke and Mullaney pulled off fine catches.

Australian all-rounder Hayden Kerr struck 24 off 11 but was stumped off Mullaney's first delivery. His seventh bowled Madsen in an attempted reverse sweep and at the halfway point the required run-rate was just shy of 15 per over at 99 for five, with another setback soon to follow as Du Plooy fell on 35, picking out mid-off to give Chappell his second wicket.

Alex Hughes skied one to become Chappell's third scalp, Patel obtained two lbw verdicts in consecutive deliveries to remove Watt and Conners to leave the Falcons nine down in the 15th over, before Guest and Scrimshaw salvaged a little pride for the visitors by adding an unbroken 34.

Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire Outlaws at Trent Bridge T20 23 June 2022 Scorecard



Notts Outlaws		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
JM Clarke	<u>c & b Madsen</u>	38	17	31	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>		
AD Hales	<u>c Reece b McKiernan</u>	55	23	19	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>		
BM Duckett	<u>c Madsen b Watt</u>	63	38	54	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>		
SJ Mullaney	<u>c du Plooy b Scrimshaw</u>	45	20	24	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>		
DT Christian*	<u>c du Plooy b Kerr</u>	12	7	8	0	<u>1</u>		
SR Patel	<u>c du Plooy b Scrimshaw</u>	8	7	14	<u>1</u>	0		
TJ Moorest	not out	20	8	7	<u>4</u>	0		
SG Budinger	not out	0	1	3	0	0		
M Carter								
LJ Fletcher								
ZJ Chappell								
Extras	(b 1, lb 2, w 1, nb 2)	6						
Total	for <u>6 wickets</u> in 20 overs	247	121	81	<u>30</u>	<u>10</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		4	0	38	<u>1</u>	9.50	1	0
S Connors		1	0	22	0	22.00	0	0
MRJ Watt		4	0	51	<u>1</u>	12.75	0	1
MH McKiernan		4	0	35	<u>1</u>	8.75	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	62	<u>2</u>	15.50	0	0
WL Madsen		2	0	23	<u>1</u>	11.50	0	0
AL Hughes		1	0	13	0	13.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-68 (AD Hales, 4.6 ov), 2-104 (JM Clarke, 7.5 ov), 3-178 (SJ Mullaney, 13.6 ov), 4-198 (DT Christian, 15.6 ov), 5-226 (BM Duckett, 18.2 ov), 6-236 (SR Patel, 19.2 ov)								

Notts Outlaws		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	<u>b Chappell</u>	18	10	10	<u>2</u>	1		
LM Reece	<u>c Clarke b Carter</u>	2	4	8	0	0		
H Kerr	<u>st Moores b Mullaney</u>	24	11	22	<u>3</u>	1		
MH McKiernan	<u>c Mullaney b Patel</u>	11	5	4	1	1		
JL du Plooy	<u>c Hales b Chappell</u>	35	23	27	<u>4</u>	1		
WL Madsen	<u>b Mullaney</u>	6	6	7	0	0		
BD Guest†	not out	40	27	39	<u>3</u>	1		
AL Hughes	<u>c Christian b Chappell</u>	5	9	9	0	0		
MRJ Watt	<u>lbw b Patel</u>	4	8	5	0	0		
S Connors	<u>lbw b Patel</u>	0	1	1	0	0		
GLS Scrimshaw	not out	5	16	18	0	0		
Extras	(lb 1, w 2)	3						
Total	for <u>9 wickets</u> in 20 overs	153	120	77	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
LJ Fletcher		4	0	38	0	9.50	0	0
M Carter		4	0	37	<u>1</u>	9.25	0	0
ZJ Chappell		4	0	28	<u>3</u>	7.00	0	0
SR Patel		4	1	32	<u>3</u>	8.00	1	0
SJ Mullaney		4	0	17	<u>2</u>	4.25	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-16 (LM Reece, 1.6 ov), 2-20 (S Masood, 2.2 ov), 3-31 (MH McKiernan, 3.1 ov), 4-81 (H Kerr, 7.1 ov), 5-95 (WL Madsen, 9.1 ov), 6-101 (JL du Plooy, 10.2 ov), 7-113 (AL Hughes, 12.6 ov), 8-119 (MRJ Watt, 14.4 ov), 9-119 (S Connors, 14.5 ov)								

Derbyshire v Lancashire Lightning at Derby T20

24 June 2022



George Scrimshaw

George Scrimshaw bowled a superb final over to give Derbyshire Falcons a five run victory over Lancashire Lightning in the Vitality Blast game at Derby.

The fast bowler had gone for 48 from his first three overs but conceded only five off his last as the North Group leaders came up short on 183 for 5, chasing 189.

Tim David smashed an unbeaten 42 off 23 balls but could only watch from the other end as Scrimshaw kept the Falcons quarter-final hopes alive.

Shan Masood with 75 from 50 balls and Wayne Madsen, 70 off 30, drove the Falcons to 188 for 8 and 47 but Steven Croft's 47 from 29 balls put the Lightning on course until Scrimshaw had the final word.

After the Lightning elected to bowl, the Falcons were restricted to 44 from the powerplay for the loss of Luis Reece who sent a return catch to Tom Hartley off the fifth ball of the innings.

The ball crossed the ropes only four times during the first six overs, four of those overthrows, and Hayden Kerr's attempt to break the shackles two overs later ended in the hands of cover.

Masood hammered Danny Lamb back over his head for four on his way to his fifth 50 of the competition, a record for Derbyshire, and Madsen powered to his half-century off only 23 balls.

He pulled Wells over midwicket for the first six of the innings as 19 came from the 14th over and Masood tore into Lamb in the 16th, driving and pulling the seamer for two sixes before lifting a full toss to mid off.

But Madsen was striking the ball with power and precision, taking 18 off four balls from Richard Gleeson before he was lbw to the next.

The pair had plundered 64 from four overs but the Lightning recovered well with Luke Wood and Gleeson conceding only 20 from the last three overs.

Even so, it left the Lightning with a tough chase and they lost Phil Salt in the third over when he was superbly caught by Leus du Plooy diving at deep square leg.

The Lightning needed 91 off 10 overs but the Falcons were stemming the run flow and Dane Vilas was caught behind cutting Matt McKiernan in the 12th over.

Croft launched Hughes over long on for six but was brilliantly caught at backward point off Watt in the 14th over.

David responded by pulling and driving McKiernan for two sixes and another six off Scrimshaw left the Lightning needing 33 off 24 balls.

Kerr and Watt conceded only 10 off the next two overs and although Rob Jones pulled Kerr for four, the Lightning needed 11 off six balls.

Scrimshaw delivered when it mattered, trapping Jones lbw with his fifth ball before Lamb missed a wild swing at the last to end another T20 thriller.

Derbyshire v Lancashire Lightning at Derby T20

24 June 2022 Scorecard



Derbyshire Falcons		Lancashire Lightning						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	c Vilas b Lamb	75	50	63	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>		
LM Reece	c & b Hartley	1	2	3	0	0		
H Kerr	c Hartley b David	17	19	27	0	0		
WL Madsen	lbw b Gleeson	70	31	39	<u>10</u>	<u>2</u>		
JL du Plooy	b Lamb	2	3	10	0	0		
BD Guest†	c Croft b Gleeson	4	5	14	0	0		
MH McKiernan	c Salt b Wood	2	5	5	0	0		
AL Hughes	c Wells b Gleeson	8	4	6	0	<u>1</u>		
AT Thomson	not out	1	1	2	0	0		
MRJ Watt								
GLS Scrimshaw								
Extras	(lb 2, w 6)	8						
Total	for <u>8 wickets</u> in 20 overs	188	120	86	<u>16</u>	<u>5</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
TW Hartley		3	0	27	<u>1</u>	9.00	1	0
TE Bailey		1	0	5	0	5.00	0	0
L Wood		4	0	26	<u>1</u>	6.50	0	0
RJ Gleeson		4	0	45	<u>3</u>	11.25	1	0
LWP Wells		3	0	33	0	11.00	0	0
TH David		2	0	15	<u>1</u>	7.50	2	0
DJ Lamb		3	0	35	<u>2</u>	11.67	1	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-8 (LM Reece, 0.5 ov), 2-51 (H Kerr, 7.3 ov), 3-150 (S Masood, 15.6 ov), 4-168 (WL Madsen, 16.6 ov), 5-173 (JL du Plooy, 17.5 ov), 6-176 (MH McKiernan, 18.5 ov), 7-181 (BD Guest, 19.3 ov), 8-188 (AL Hughes, 19.6 ov)								

Derbyshire Falcons		Lancashire Lightning						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
PD Salt†	<u>c du Plooy b Kerr</u>	14	11	8	<u>3</u>	0		
LWP Wells	<u>c du Plooy b Thomson</u>	42	24	36	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>		
SJ Croft	<u>c Thomson b Watt</u>	47	29	42	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>		
DJ Vilas*	<u>c Guest b McKiernan</u>	10	11	8	0	0		
TH David	not out	42	23	35	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>		
RP Jones	<u>lbw b Scrimshaw</u>	24	21	28	<u>2</u>	0		
DJ Lamb	not out	0	1	0	0	0		
L Wood								
TW Hartley								
RJ Gleeson								
TE Bailey								
Extras	(lb 2, w 2)	4						
Total	for <u>5 wickets</u> in 20 overs	183	120	79	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
H Kerr		4	0	24	<u>1</u>	6.00	0	0
MRJ Watt		4	0	32	<u>1</u>	8.00	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	53	<u>1</u>	13.25	2	0
AT Thomson		2	0	18	<u>1</u>	9.00	0	0
MH McKiernan		3	0	29	<u>1</u>	9.67	0	0
AL Hughes		3	0	25	0	8.33	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-16 (PD Salt, 2.1 ov), 2-93 (LWP Wells, 9.1 ov), 3-107 (DJ Vilas, 11.4 ov), 4-122 (SJ Croft, 13.2 ov), 5-183 (RP Jones, 19.5 ov)								

Derbyshire v Durham at Derby T20 3 July 2022

Match Report



Wayne Madsen

Wayne Madsen scored his first T20 century as Derbyshire Falcons finished their Vitality Blast North Group campaign with a record-breaking five wicket victory over Durham at Derby.

Madsen scored a brilliant unbeaten 100 off 47 balls with 11 fours and three sixes as the Falcons completed their highest T20 run chase by cruising to 194 for 5 to set them up for the quarter-finals.

Durham had posted a challenging 193 for 5 through Ollie Robinson's 43 from 27 balls and Michael Jones's 42 off 22 with Falcons leg-spinner Mattie McKiernan taking 3 for 29.

But Madsen was at his inventive best and supported by Shan Masood's 31 off 28 balls and Hilton Cartwright, 38 from 23, the Falcons sealed a ninth group win with five balls to spare.

Durham started well after Jones smashed 19 from the first over by Ben Aitchison who was making his first Blast appearance of the season following a back injury.

The seamer was driven for three consecutive fours before Jones launched him over the long on boundary and with Scott Borthwick finding his range after an uncertain start, Durham were 67 without loss after the powerplay.

But Matt McKiernan shifted the momentum by removing them both in consecutive overs as Borthwick failed to clear long on and Jones drove to long off.

Ashton Turner pulled the leg-spinner for six but fell next ball trying to repeat the shot and it was left to Robinson to pick up the tempo.

After he survived a sharp chance on 20 at backward point, Robinson pulled and drove Alex Hughes and Luis Reece for three sixes as 31 came from the 14th and 15th overs.

Robinson skied Aitchison to long off but Brydon Carse scored 17 from nine balls and Jonathan Bushnell an unbeaten 25 off 20 to take Durham to a competitive total.

The Falcons lost Reece in the first over, lbw playing across the line at Carse, but Masood was soon into his elegant stride, easing the ball to the ropes on both sides of the wicket.

The danger signs were flashing for Durham as Madsen tore into Carse, pulling him for four and driving him for a third six to reach 50 off only 25 balls.

Durham had to break the stand and Andrew Tye delivered by trapping Masood lbw in the 10th over which cost only three runs.

Cartwright was caught at long off but Madsen cruised to his hundred to complete a memorable afternoon for him and the Falcons.

Derbyshire v Durham at Derby T20 3 July 2022

Scorecard



Durham Cricket		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
MA Jones	<u>c Watt b McKiernan</u>	42	22	32	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>		
SG Borthwick	<u>c Reece b McKiernan</u>	26	19	23	<u>3</u>	0		
OG Robinson†	<u>c Khan b Aitchison</u>	43	27	34	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>		
AJ Turner*	<u>c Reece b McKiernan</u>	20	15	15	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
JJ Bushnell	not out	25	20	29	<u>3</u>	0		
BA Carse	<u>c McKiernan b Scrimshaw</u>	17	9	8	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
EJH Eckersley	not out	15	9	10	0	<u>1</u>		
P Coughlin								
BA Raine								
NA Sowter								
AJ Tye								
Extras	(w 3, nb 2)	5						
Total	for <u>5 wickets</u> in 20 overs	193	121	76	<u>16</u>	<u>7</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
MRJ Watt		4	0	29	0	7.25	1	0
BW Aitchison		4	0	50	<u>1</u>	12.50	0	0
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	38	<u>1</u>	9.50	2	1
MH McKiernan		4	0	29	<u>3</u>	7.25	0	0
AL Hughes		2	0	25	0	12.50	0	0
LM Reece		2	0	22	0	11.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-67 (SG Borthwick, 6.3 ov), 2-78 (MA Jones, 8.2 ov), 3-113 (AJ Turner, 12.3 ov), 4-147 (OG Robinson, 15.1 ov), 5-172 (BA Carse, 17.3 ov)								

Durham Cricket		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
S Masood*	<u>lbw b Tye</u>	31	28	41	<u>4</u>	0		
LM Reece	<u>lbw b Carse</u>	0	3	3	0	0		
WL Madsen	not out	100	47	77	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>		
JL du Plooy	<u>c Eckersley b Raine</u>	2	5	5	0	0		
HWR Cartwright	<u>c Sowter b Borthwick</u>	38	23	20	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>		
BD Guest†	<u>c Bushnell b Coughlin</u>	7	7	6	0	0		
AL Hughes	not out	2	3	7	0	0		
MH McKiernan								
MRJ Watt								
BW Aitchison								
GLS Scrimshaw								
Extras	(lb 9, w 3, nb 2)	14						
Total	for <u>5 wickets</u> in 19.1 overs	194	116	80	<u>19</u>	<u>5</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
BA Carse		4	0	42	<u>1</u>	10.50	1	1
P Coughlin		4	0	37	<u>1</u>	9.25	2	0
BA Raine		3.1	0	25	<u>1</u>	7.89	0	0
AJ Tye		4	0	32	<u>1</u>	8.00	0	0
NA Sowter		2	0	26	0	13.00	0	0
SG Borthwick		2	0	23	<u>1</u>	11.50	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-3 (LM Reece, 0.5 ov), 2-100 (S Masood, 9.2 ov), 3-103 (JL du Plooy, 10.2 ov), 4-164 (HWR Cartwright, 15.5 ov), 5-174 (BD Guest, 17.1 ov)								

Derbyshire v Somerset at Taunton T20 9 July 2022

Match Report



George Scrimshaw

Somerset recorded the highest total ever in English domestic cricket T20 cricket, smashing 265 for five in a 191-run Vitality Blast quarter-final mauling of Derbyshire Falcons at the Cooper Associates County Ground, Taunton.

Rilee Rossouw led the way with 93 off 36 balls, with 7 sixes and 8 fours, becoming Somerset's most prolific scorer in a T20 season with 600 at an average of 50. Tom Banton weighed in with 73 from 41 deliveries, while Tom Lammonby laced 31 from nine as the Falcons bowlers, with the notable exception of George Scrimshaw (two for 16), were put to the sword.

Leg-spinner Mattie McKiernan went for 82 in his four overs, the most expensive figures in men's T20 cricket history, including 36 off one, which saw Rossouw crack 5 sixes and a four.

In reply, the shellshocked visitors crashed to 74 all out, giving Somerset the biggest margin of victory in the shortest format of the game in this country.

There was little sign of the carnage to come when the Falcons won the toss and Scrimshaw bowled the first over from the River End at a cost of only four runs. But by the end of the six-over powerplay, Somerset had posted 55, Will Smeed falling for 18 and Banton going well.

There was a big moment in the seventh over, sent down by Mark Watt, when Banton, on 29, was badly dropped at backward point by Ben Aitchison.

Banton went to a 33-ball fifty and Rossouw followed him to the same landmark off 24 deliveries in a partnership that added 102 in 8.2 overs. It ended when Banton, who had just lofted Hughes for successive sixes, was caught at long-off, having cleared the ropes six times and struck 4 fours.

Rossouw then hit McKiernan for 6,6,4,6,6,6 in the 15th over, a sequence only interrupted by a no-ball off the fourth delivery.

Somerset went past the previous T20 record score in England, 261 for two by the Birmingham Bears against Nottinghamshire last month, with Ben Green's two sixes off the third and fourth balls of the final over.

Any miniscule doubt about the outcome disappeared when Derbyshire slumped to 42 for four after six overs.

Harry Came fell to Craig Overton before Peter Siddle sent back Reece and Leus du Plooy, with the third and fifth balls of the fourth over. The Aussie seamer claimed a third wicket when Hilton Cartwright was caught off a mistimed pull.

It was 43 for five when Brooke Guest was bowled by Lewis Gregory and the best the Falcons could hope for was to avoid defeat by an embarrassing margin.

They couldn't do so. Wayne Madsen, on 14, drove a catch to mid-off to give Gregory a second wicket and Green removed Alex Hughes and Watt with successive balls in the tenth over.

An embarrassing mix-up with McKiernan saw Aitchison run out. And when McKiernan skied a catch off Green, it completed a nightmare evening for the Falcons and their supporters.

Derbyshire v Somerset at Taunton T20 9 July 2022

Scorecard



Somerset		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
WCF Smeed	c & b Aitchison	18	18	22	3	0		
T Banton	c Reece b Hughes	73	41	61	4	6		
RR Rossouw	c McKiernan b Scrimshaw	93	36	55	8	7		
TB Abell*	not out	22	13	32	4	0		
L Gregory	c Aitchison b Scrimshaw	1	2	2	0	0		
TA Lammonby	b Hughes	31	9	9	3	3		
BGF Green	not out	14	4	4	0	2		
RE van der Merwe								
C Overton								
JH Davey								
PM Siddie								
Extras	(w 7, nb 6)	13						
Total	for 5 wickets in 20 overs	265	123	94	22	18		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
GLS Scrimshaw		4	0	16	2	4.00	1	1
MRJ Watt		4	0	48	0	12.00	1	0
BW Aitchison		3	0	46	1	15.33	3	0
MH McKiernan		4	0	82	0	20.50	1	1
AL Hughes		4	0	54	2	13.50	0	0
LM Reece		1	0	19	0	19.00	0	1
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-49 (WCF Smeed, 5.1 ov), 2-151 (T Banton, 13.3 ov), 3-207 (RR Rossouw, 16.2 ov), 4-209 (L Gregory, 16.6 ov), 5-251 (TA Lammonby, 19.2 ov)								

Somerset		Derbyshire Falcons						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
HRC Came	c Banton b Overton	8	5	2	2	0		
LM Reece	c Rossouw b Siddie	13	8	14	3			
WL Madsen	c van der Merwe b Gregory	14	17	35	1	0		
JL du Plooy*	c Banton b Siddie	0	2	3	0	0		
HWR Cartwright	c sub (Bartlett) b Siddie	10	9	8	1	0		
BD Guest†	b Gregory	0	2	2	0	0		
AL Hughes	c Lammonby b Green	12	11	14	1	0		
MH McKiernan	c sub (Bartlett) b Green	8	8	15	1	0		
MRJ Watt	c Banton b Green	0	1	1	0	0		
BW Aitchison	run out (Lammonby/van der Merwe/Banton)	2	1	3	0	0		
GLS Scrimshaw	not out	3	5	4	0	0		
Extras	(lb 1, w 1, nb 2)	4						
Total	for 10 wickets in 11.2 overs	74	69	53	9	0		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
C Overton		3	0	26	1	8.67	0	0
JH Davey		1	0	5	0	5.00	0	0
PM Siddie		2	0	10	3	5.00	0	0
L Gregory		2	0	11	2	5.50	1	0
BGF Green		2.2	0	17	3	7.29	0	1
RE van der Merwe		1	0	4	0	4.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-8 (HRC Came, 0.5 ov), 2-26 (LM Reece, 3.3 ov), 3-26 (JL du Plooy, 3.5 ov), 4-42 (HWR Cartwright, 5.6 ov), 5-43 (BD Guest, 6.3 ov), 6-54 (WL Madsen, 8.2 ov), 7-65 (AL Hughes, 9.4 ov), 8-65 (MRJ Watt, 9.5 ov), 9-68 (BW Aitchison, 10.2 ov), 10-74 (MH McKiernan, 11.2 ov)								



DERBYSHIRE County Cricket Club Twenty20 Season 2022

Twenty20 Batting Averages*

NAME	M	I	NO	R	HS	AVE	SR	100	50
Shan Masood	14	14	2	547	75	45.58	139.89	0	5
WL Madsen	15	15	2	499	100*	38.38	165.23	1	3
JL du Plooy	15	14	4	340	59*	34.00	147.18	0	2
BD Guest	15	14	4	197	54	19.70	134.01	0	1
H Kerr	13	8	1	129	29	18.42	132.98	0	0
LM Reece	15	15	0	234	55	15.60	132.20	0	1
MRJ Watt	15	6	3	43	17*	14.33	122.85	0	0
HRC Came	6	5	0	71	23	14.20	154.34	0	0
AL Hughes	10	7	2	64	16	12.80	120.75	0	0
MH McKiernan	15	9	3	72	26	12.00	156.52	0	0

Twenty20 Bowling Averages*

NAME	O	M	R	W	AVE	BBI	SR
GLS Scrimshaw	57	0	517	23	22.47	3/20	14.8
H Kerr	39.3	0	361	15	24.06	2/6	15.8
MH McKiernan	48	0	431	17	25.35	3/19	16.9
S Connors	24.2	0	287	10	28.7	3/25	14.6
WL Madsen	12	0	110	3	36.66	1/3	24.0
MRJ Watt	58	1	491	13	37	3/29	26.7
AL Hughes	28	0	258	6	43.00	2/54	28.0

*Minimum 5 innings

Vitality Blast North Table

Centuries (1)			
WL Madsen	100*	v Durham	Incora County Ground

Team	P	W	L	T	NR	NRR	Points
Birmingham Bears	14	9	5	0	0	1.21	18
Lancashire Lightning	14	8	4	1	1	0.432	18
Derbyshire Falcons	14	9	5	0	0	0.054	18
Yorkshire Vikings	14	7	6	1	0	0.726	15
Notts Outlaws	14	7	6	0	1	0.058	15
Leicestershire Foxes	14	8	6	0	0	0.058	14
Northants Steelbacks	14	6	6	0	2	-0.040	14
Durham	14	3	10	0	1	-0.642	7
Worcestershire Rapids	14	2	11	0	1	-1.807	5

Derbyshire v Glamorgan at Derby RL50 2 August 2022

Match Report



Mattie McKiernan

Glamorgan began their defence of the Royal London One-Day Cup with an emphatic eight wicket victory over Derbyshire in the opening Group B match at Derby.

Timm van der Gugten took 4 for 41 and Jamie McLroy 2 for 13 as Derbyshire were bowled out for 110 after Glamorgan won the toss in a game reduced to 47 overs by rain with Mattie McKiernan's 43 off 56 balls the only innings of substance.

Glamorgan slipped to 28 for 2 but skipper Kiran Carlson's unbeaten 54 off 53 balls and Colin Ingram with 30 not out took the visitors to 112 - 2 with 25 overs to spare.

Derbyshire never recovered from losing three wickets in the first four overs on a humid and breezy morning.

McLroy and van der Gugten got the ball to swing in good bowling conditions and Derbyshire's chances of setting a competitive total were all but over after the first powerplay.

Billy Godleman went in the second over when his attempt to turn van der Gugten through midwicket ended in the hands of mid on and Luis Reece quickly followed, edging a loose drive behind.

Harry Came was lbw half-forward and although Tom Wood drove van der Gugten over cover for the first boundary in the sixth over, he was brilliantly caught by Chris Cooke diving to his right when he cut hard at van der Gugten.

The pair almost doubled the score but Dal swatted Joe Cooke to cover and when Mark Watt was bowled by David Lloyd, Derbyshire were sinking fast at 62 for 7.

Ben Aitchison clipped Lloyd to long leg where Joe Cooke took a well judged catch just inside the rope leaving Sam Connors to help McKiernan get Derbyshire into three figures.

McKiernan pulled Dan Douthwaite for four and drove van der Gugten for another boundary but he fell short of what would have been a first one-day 50 when he drove Douthwaite to cover.

The innings ended when Connors edged a drive at van der Gugten which left Glamorgan to chase down what looked like a straight-forward target.

They got there in relative comfort but only after losing Lloyd and Sam Northeast inside the first 10 overs.

Lloyd got a leading edge to Aitchison and was caught at point before Northeast, who scored a quadruple century just over a week ago, drove at Connors and was well caught by Wood diving across at second slip.

Another wicket then might have sowed some seeds of doubt in the Glamorgan camp but Ingram and Carlson restored order before accelerating towards an impressive victory.

Derbyshire v Glamorgan at Derby RL50 2 August 2022

Scorecard



Derbyshire		Glamorgan					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s	
LM Reece	c CB Cooke b McIlroy	1	11	10	0	0	
BA Godleman*	c Douthwaite b van der Gugten	1	2	5	0	0	
HRC Came	lbw b van der Gugten	0	6	9	0	0	
TA Wood	c CB Cooke b van der Gugten	18	23	30	3	0	
BD Guest†	c & b McIlroy	6	20	30	0	0	
AK Dal	c Carlson b JM Cooke	17	23	30	2	0	
MH McKiernan	c sub (Tom Bevan) b Douthwaite	43	57	73	7	0	
MRJ Watt	b Lloyd	0	3	4	0	0	
BW Aitchison	c JM Cooke b Lloyd	10	13	17	2	0	
S Conners	c Ingram b van der Gugten	5	16	31	0	0	
NJ Potts	not out	1	6	6	0	0	
Extras	(lb 3, w 5)	8					
Total	for 10 wickets in 30 overs	110	180	125	14	0	
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Nb
JP McIlroy		7	2	13	2	1.86	1
T van der Gugten		10	0	41	4	4.10	2
JM Cooke		4	0	18	1	4.50	1
DL Lloyd		5	1	21	2	4.20	0
DA Douthwaite		4	1	14	1	3.50	1
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-4 (BA Godleman, 1.4 ov), 2-4 (LM Reece, 2.3 ov), 3-6 (HRC Came, 3.3 ov), 4-29 (TA Wood, 9.4 ov), 5-31 (BD Guest, 10.4 ov), 6-61 (AK Dal, 16.6 ov), 7-62 (MRJ Watt, 17.4 ov), 8-80 (BW Aitchison, 21.6 ov), 9-108 (MH McKiernan, 28.2 ov), 10-110 (S Conners, 29.6 ov)							

Derbyshire		Glamorgan					
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s	
DL Lloyd	c Dal b Aitchison	12	17	19	2	0	
SA Northeast	c Wood b Conners	10	26	33	2	0	
CA Ingram	not out	30	35	66	4	1	
KS Carlson*	not out	54	53	52	8	1	
WT Root							
CB Cook†							
JM Cooke							
DA Douthwaite							
AG Salter							
T van der Gugten							
JP McIlroy							
Extras	(lb 3, w 3)	6					
Total	for 2 wickets in 21.5 overs	112	131	85	16	2	
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Nb
S Conners		5	0	19	1	3.80	1
BW Aitchison		6	1	14	1	2.33	2
LM Reece		6	0	38	0	6.33	0
NJ Potts		4.5	0	38	0	7.86	0
FALL OF WICKETS							
1-18 (DL Lloyd, 5.2 ov), 2-28 (SA Northeast, 8.6 ov)							



Derbyshire v Essex at County Cricket Ground, Chelmsford RL50



Brooke Guest anchored Derbyshire to an unexpected Royal London Cup success against Essex with the highest 50-over score of his increasingly impressive career.

Guest, who has four first-class centuries to his name this season, frustrated a sizeable, sun-drenched Chelmsford crowd with a 79-ball 88, entering stage right in the midst of a mini-collapse when three wickets fell in five balls.

However, the Derbyshire innings spluttered back into life when the 25-year-old Guest was joined by Mattie McKiernan (72 not out) for a 125-run sixth-wicket stand. It helped Derbyshire reach 318-6 and, ultimately, to record only their second Royal London win in two seasons.

Only Grant Roelofsen and Jamal Richards provided resistance, scoring 43 and 46 respectively, as Essex were bowled out for 226 in 45 overs to fall 92 runs short.

Under the floodlights of a day-night contest, Essex's chase got off to the worst possible start when Feroze Khushi was trapped on the back foot by Sam Connors without scoring. He was quickly followed by captain Tom Westley, who went in similar fashion to a ball that kept low from Ben Aitchison.

Josh Rymell steadied things with Roelofsen, the pair piecing together 53 runs, before edging Luis Reece behind to the irrepressible Guest for 38.

Robin Das entertained briefly with 19 from 13 balls, including a straight six, before Mark Watt gained revenge by positioning himself under a steeping catch off his own bowling. Will Buttleman was caught behind off Reece and suddenly Essex were in serious trouble at 99-5.

Roelofsen played himself in quietly but efficiently. He had not looked in any trouble until he was stranded mid-pitch by Dal's throw from mid-on to be run out for 43.

Aaron Beard, at the other end, was on the wrong end of a different type of run-out when McKiernan diverted Aron Nijjar's drive on to the non-striker's stumps.

Shane Snater ballooned an attempted sweep off Alex Thomson to give Guest, behind the stumps, a comfortable catch. Nijjar and Jamal Richards refused to go down without a fight with a hard-hitting ninth-wicket stand worth 51 before Guest took his fourth catch to end Nijjar's fun. Richards clubbed two sixes over midwicket in his enterprising first knock before falling to a catch just inside the ropes.

Beard had conceded just two runs off his first two overs, but was withdrawn after a four-over opening spell with 35 against his name accentuated by successive sixes over his head from Godleman. Godleman departed when he decided to charge Snater and was bowled after a 64-run opening stand.

Harry Came joined Reece to add another fifty for the second wicket before chipping the ball back to Nijjar to precipitate the quick clutter of wickets. Tom Wood lasted three deliveries before his middle-stump was pegged back by Nijjar and then Reece tamely patted the ball back to Westley to end a 63-ball stay for 52.

Richards claimed his first senior wicket when Dal clipped to midwicket after a fifth-wicket partnership of 52 with Guest that put Derbyshire back on an even keel.



Derbyshire v Essex at County Cricket Ground, Chelmsford RL50 5 August 2022 Scorecard

Derbyshire		Essex Eagles						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
LM Reece	<u>c & b Westley</u>	52	63	91	<u>6</u>	1		
BA Godleman*	<u>b Snater</u>	35	33	39	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
HRC Came	<u>c & b Nijjar</u>	28	40	46	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
TA Wood	<u>b Nijjar</u>	0	3	3	0	0		
BD Guest†	<u>c Beard b Snater</u>	88	79	97	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>		
AK Dal	<u>c Rymell b Richards</u>	26	31	37	<u>1</u>	0		
MH McKiernan	not out	72	49	65	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>		
AT Thomson	not out	8	2	7	0	<u>1</u>		
MRJ Watt								
BW Aitchison								
S Conners								
Extras	(b 1, lb 3, w 5)	9						
Total	for <u>6 wickets</u> in 50 overs	318	300	193	<u>26</u>	<u>7</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
JA Porter		10	1	37	0	3.70	0	0
AP Beard		8	1	84	0	10.50	2	0
S Snater		9	0	68	<u>2</u>	7.56	1	0
ASS Nijjar		10	0	49	<u>2</u>	4.90	0	0
T Westley		8	0	38	<u>1</u>	4.75	0	0
JA Richards		5	0	38	<u>1</u>	7.60	1	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-64 (BA Godleman, 9.4 ov), 2-117 (HRC Came, 22.3 ov), 3-117 (TA Wood, 22.6 ov), 4-117 (LM Reece, 23.1 ov), 5-169 (AK Dal, 33.6 ov), 6-294 (BD Guest, 48.5 ov)								

Derbyshire		Essex Eagles						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
JS Rymell	<u>c Guest b Reece</u>	38	48	65	<u>6</u>	0		
FIN Khushi	<u>lbw b Conners</u>	0	8	10	0	0		
T Westley*	<u>lbw b Aitchison</u>	3	7	13	0	0		
G Roelofsen	<u>run out (Dal/McKiernan)</u>	43	58	78	<u>4</u>	0		
RJ Das	<u>c & b Watt</u>	19	14	11	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
WEL Buttleman†	<u>c Guest b Reece</u>	2	4	4	0	0		
AP Beard	<u>run out (McKiernan)</u>	20	25	27	<u>2</u>	0		
ASS Nijjar	<u>c Guest b Aitchison</u>	29	32	40	<u>4</u>	0		
S Snater	<u>c Guest b Thomson</u>	8	9	10	0	<u>1</u>		
JA Richards	<u>c Dal b Watt</u>	46	44	48	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>		
JA Porter	not out	10	17	26	0	0		
Extras	(lb 4, w 4)	8						
Total	for <u>10 wickets</u> in 44.2 overs	226	266	168	<u>22</u>	<u>4</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners		8	0	41	<u>1</u>	5.13	2	0
BW Aitchison		8	0	21	<u>2</u>	2.63	0	0
MRJ Watt		9.2	0	50	<u>2</u>	5.36	1	0
AK Dal		2	0	11	0	5.50	0	0
LM Reece		6	0	30	<u>2</u>	5.00	0	0
MH McKiernan		6	0	43	0	7.17	1	0
AT Thomson		5	0	26	<u>1</u>	5.20	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-5 (FIN Khushi, 2.2 ov), 2-22 (T Westley, 5.4 ov), 3-75 (JS Rymell, 17.3 ov), 4-96 (RJ Das, 20.1 ov), 5-99 (WEL Buttleman, 21.1 ov), 6-122 (G Roelofsen, 26.1 ov), 7-133 (AP Beard, 28.2 ov), 8-145 (S Snater, 31.3 ov), 9-196 (ASS Nijjar, 37.4 ov), 10-226 (JA Richards, 44.2 ov)								



Derbyshire v Lancashire at Old Trafford RL50 7 August 2022



Steven Croft and Rob Jones put on a record-breaking, unbroken 154 to set up a 39-run victory for Lancashire over Derbyshire in the Royal London Cup match at Emirates Old Trafford.

Croft made an unbeaten 87 and Jones was 70 not out as the home side recovered from 67 for four to post 221 for four in their fifty overs.

Despite a resolute innings from Shan Masood, who was last out for 82, that proved too many for Derbyshire on a sluggish pitch and the visitors were dismissed for 182, Will Williams taking career-best List A figures of four for 20.

Conners took the first wicket when he had the in-form Luke Wells caught behind by Brooke Guest for seven but Keaton Jennings and Josh Bohannon then put on 36 before Alex Thomson took three wickets in 13 balls.

With his third ball the off-spinner had Bohannon leg before wicket for 15 when the Lancastrian played across the line and he followed that four overs later by removing Jennings and Washington Sundar.

That left Lancashire on 67 for four in the 21st over but the Derbyshire bowlers enjoyed no further successes as Steven Croft and Rob Jones blunted Godleman's attack.

Croft passed his half-century in 73 balls with four fours and Jones reached the same mark off 71 deliveries after hitting a solitary four. In the process they broke Lancashire's fifth-wicket record in List A cricket, the previous mark being 128.

The most successful Derbyshire bowler was Thomson, who took three for 25 from five overs, but Mark Watt conceded only 33 runs from his ten overs and Conners took one wicket for 41 from ten overs, two of which were bowled at the death.

The visitors' pursuit of 222 began as badly as their hosts had done. In the fifth over, Luis Reece was caught at deep square leg for 17 by the substitute fielder George Bell off Williams and six balls later Liam Hurt brought one back off the seam to bowl Godleman for one.

Harry Came was perhaps unfortunate to be given out caught down the leg side for a single but when Brooke Guest chipped Washington to Croft at midwicket, Derbyshire were 53 for four after 16 overs.

Masood and Anuj Dal then began much the same work of repair as Croft and Jones had accomplished for Lancashire and at the halfway point of their innings the visitors were 89 for four, two runs better off than Lancashire at the same stage.

Although, Dal played on to Hurt for 15 in the 27th over, Mattie McKiernan helped Masood add 48 in 12 overs to keep Derbyshire in the hunt. McKiernan was leg before to Williams for 27 and Thomson caught and bowled by Wells for two to leave Derbyshire needing 76 off the last ten overs.

Jack Morley, who finished with one for 37, and Washington (2-43) took further wickets and the game ended when Masood holed out on the deep midwicket boundary, Rob Jones taking the low, diving catch off Williams when 22 balls remained in the game.



Derbyshire v Lancashire at Old Trafford RL50 7 August 2022 Scorecard

Lancashire		Derbyshire						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
LWP Wells	<u>c Guest b Conners</u>	7	11	19	<u>1</u>	0		
KK Jennings*	<u>b Thomson</u>	33	56	84	<u>2</u>	0		
JJ Bohannon	<u>lbw b Thomson</u>	15	41	51	<u>1</u>	0		
SJ Croft	not out	87	106	122	<u>7</u>	0		
MS Washington	<u>c Godleman b Thomson</u>	0	1	2	0	0		
RP Jones	not out	70	87	106	1	<u>1</u>		
GID Lavellet								
DJ Lamb								
LJ Hurt								
WSA Williams								
JP Morley								
Extras	(b 1, lb 1, w 3, nb 4)	9						
Total	for 4 wickets in 50 overs	221	302	193	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners		10	1	41	<u>1</u>	4.10	0	1
BW Aitchison		<u>7</u>	1	30	0	4.29	1	0
MRJ Watt		10	0	33	0	3.30	1	0
LM Reece		10	0	55	0	5.50	1	1
AT Thomson		5	0	25	<u>3</u>	5.00	0	0
MH McKiernan		4	0	18	0	4.50	0	0
AK Dal		4	0	17	0	4.25	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-18 (LWP Wells, 4.5 ov), 2-54 (JJ Bohannon, 16.3 ov), 3-67 (KK Jennings, 20.2 ov), 4-67 (MS Washington, 20.3 ov)								

Lancashire		Derbyshire						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
LM Reece	<u>c sub (Bell) b WSA Williams</u>	17	23	18	<u>2</u>	0		
BA Godleman*	<u>b Hurt</u>	1	11	23	0	0		
S Masood	<u>c Jones b WSA Williams</u>	82	117	165	<u>4</u>	0		
HRC Came	<u>c Lavelle b WSA Williams</u>	3	7	11	0	0		
BD Guest†	<u>c Croft b MS Washington</u>	14	29	30	<u>1</u>	0		
AK Dal	<u>b Hurt</u>	15	26	37	0	0		
MH McKiernan	<u>lbw b WSA Williams</u>	27	35	43	<u>1</u>	0		
AT Thomson	<u>c & b Wells</u>	2	7	7	0	0		
MRJ Watt	<u>c Lavelle b Morley</u>	14	13	12	0	<u>1</u>		
BW Aitchison	<u>b MS Washington</u>	2	4	5	0	0		
S Conners	not out	1	6	13	0	0		
Extras	(w 4)	4						
Total	for <u>10 wickets in 46.2 overs</u>	182	278	183	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
WSA Williams		8.2	1	20	<u>4</u>	2.40	2	0
LJ Hurt		9	1	33	<u>2</u>	3.67	2	0
MS Washington		10	0	43	<u>2</u>	4.30	0	0
DJ Lamb		2	0	13	0	6.50	0	0
JP Morley		10	0	37	<u>1</u>	3.70	0	0
LWP Wells		7	0	36	<u>1</u>	5.14	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-18 (LM Reece, 4.5 ov), 2-18 (BA Godleman, 5.5 ov), 3-23 (HRC Came, 8.1 ov), 4-53 (BD Guest, 15.6 ov), 5-94 (AK Dal, 26.1 ov), 6-142 (MH McKiernan, 38.1 ov), 7-145 (AT Thomson, 39.4 ov), 8-162 (MRJ Watt, 42.2 ov), 9-167 (BW Aitchison, 43.3 ov), 10-182 (S Masood, 46.2 ov)								

Derbyshire v Hampshire at Derby RL50 12 August 2022

Match Report



Nick Potts

Hampshire remained the sole side to boast maximum points in this year's Royal London Cup, fighting back through maiden one-day fifties from locally-raised 20-year olds Fletcha Middleton and Toby Albert to beat Derbyshire by two wickets at the County Ground, Derby.

Despite 82 from Brooke Guest earlier, Hampshire were left a target of 247. But the tall Ben Aitchison made superb use of a hybrid pitch with bounce for the new ball by claiming four wickets for the first time in his white-ball career in his opening 25 deliveries as Hampshire sunk to 36 for four by the reply's ninth over.

The sixth wicket had added 104, however, before Middleton went for 64, leaving Albert, like John Arlott a product of Basingstoke, to reach an unbeaten 84, his best in all cricket, and usher Hampshire home.

Derbyshire had themselves started poorly when put in earlier until recovery came from the Australia-raised Guest who found 101 in 20 overs for the fifth wicket with Anuj Dal until Dal was run out for 42 attempting an ambitious single. But when Guest fell, 20 minutes later, Derbyshire, finishing nine down, mustered only 44 more from the last 41 balls.

Aitchison soon had Aneurin Donald and Tom Prest both held at second slip, the latter without score after making 51 and 181 in his previous two innings over the last five days. With a magnificent full inswinger he next bowled Nick Gubbins, breaking the off-stump, for 18 before having Ben Brown caught behind as the visitors made an even worse start than Derbyshire.

A modest revival ended when Felix Organ whipped a long hop to long leg, going for seven with 179 more needed at 5.37 per over when Albert joined Middleton. With Mattie Potts proving expensive, however, the requirement soon fell and if the spinners were initially tight they could not sustain pressure.

For players with only seven 50-over appearances between them hitherto, it was an impressively calm, well calculated performance from the youngsters who resisted seven bowlers until Middleton pulled a Mattie McKiernan long hop to mid wicket and the target became 75 from 15. Keith Barker and Scott Currie came and went after handy support but John Turner, dropped on nought, accompanied Albert home.

Soon after the official government declaration of a drought had been made in the morning, the home side, in apparent sympathy, had themselves lost a quartet of batters in 40 grim balls as runs dried up to a trickle. From a promising 49-run opening stand they slumped to 58 for four in the 18th over, Barker bowling through and claiming two for 34.

Though Harry Came reached 33, his opening partner Luis Reece endured such an unproductive first ten overs that he doubled his score when finally walking out to belt Barker over mid-wicket for six. He and Shan Masood, for nought, went in four balls of Barker's next over, however, before Tom Wood edged to slip and Came drove to cover.

Latterly, Alex Hughes, in his first 50-over appearance for exactly a year, partially regained momentum but fell for 31 in a final over from Jack Campbell that allowed only one run off the bat. In the late scramble, McKiernan became a second casualty of fine fielding from Currie, who ran him out for 17.

Derbyshire v Hampshire at Derby RL50 12 August 2022

Scorecard



Derbyshire		Hampshire						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
HRC Came	<u>c Gubbins b Currie</u>	33	55	75	<u>5</u>	0		
LM Reece	<u>lbw b Barker</u>	15	31	49	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
S Masood*	<u>c Brown b Barker</u>	0	3	3	0	0		
TA Wood	<u>c Currie b Turner</u>	1	6	6	0	0		
BD Guest†	<u>c Brown b Turner</u>	82	101	113	<u>10</u>	0		
AK Dal	<u>run out (Currie)</u>	42	55	75	<u>4</u>	0		
AL Hughes	<u>c Gubbins b Campbell</u>	31	22	50	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
MH McKiernan	<u>run out (Albert/Currie/Brown)</u>	17	18	21	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		
AT Thomson	not out	9	7	11	0	<u>1</u>		
BW Aitchison	<u>c Currie b Campbell</u>	0	2	2	0	0		
NJ Potts	not out	0	1	1	0	0		
Extras	(lb 4, w 10, nb 2)	16						
Total	for <u>9 wickets</u> in 50 overs	246	301	205	<u>23</u>	<u>4</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
KHD Barker		10	1	34	<u>2</u>	3.40	3	0
SW Currie		10	0	61	<u>1</u>	6.10	4	0
JA Turner		10	1	40	<u>2</u>	4.00	1	1
JOI Campbell		10	1	50	<u>2</u>	5.00	0	0
NRT Gubbins		4	0	24	0	6.00	0	0
FS Organ		6	0	33	0	5.50	1	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-49 (LM Reece, 12.1 ov), 2-49 (S Masood, 12.4 ov), 3-50 (TA Wood, 13.5 ov), 4-58 (HRC Came, 17.4 ov), 5-159 (AK Dal, 37.4 ov), 6-202 (BD Guest, 43.1 ov), 7-228 (MH McKiernan, 47.5 ov), 8-245 (AL Hughes, 49.3 ov), 9-245 (BW Aitchison, 49.5 ov)								

Derbyshire		Hampshire						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
NRT Gubbins*	b Aitchison	18	27	27	<u>3</u>	0		
AHT Donald	c McKiernan b Aitchison	4	3	16	0	0		
TJ Prest	c McKiernan b Aitchison	0	2	3	0	0		
BC Brown†	c Guest b Aitchison	3	12	17	0	0		
FS Middleton	c Dal b McKiernan	64	82	121	<u>6</u>	0		
FS Organ	c Potts b Reece	7	26	38	0	0		
TE Albert	not out	84	96	128	<u>8</u>	0		
KHD Barker	b Dal	15	14	19	<u>2</u>	0		
SW Currie	b Potts	24	20	23	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>		
JA Turner	not out	6	10	13	0	0		
JOI Campbell								
Extras	(lb 6, w 10, nb 6)	22						
Total	for <u>8 wickets</u> in 48.1 overs	247	292	205	<u>20</u>	<u>2</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
BW Aitchison		10	1	39	<u>4</u>	3.90	1	0
NJ Potts		8	0	49	<u>1</u>	6.13	3	3
LM Reece		8.1	0	39	<u>1</u>	4.78	5	0
AK Dal		9	0	37	<u>1</u>	4.11	0	0
MH McKiernan		7	0	44	<u>1</u>	6.29	0	0
AT Thomson		3	0	15	0	5.00	0	0
AL Hughes		3	0	18	0	6.00	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-21 (AHT Donald, 4.1 ov), 2-21 (TJ Prest, 4.3 ov), 3-27 (NRT Gubbins, 6.1 ov), 4-36 (BC Brown, 8.1 ov), 5-68 (FS Organ, 16.4 ov), 6-172 (FS Middleton, 34.6 ov), 7-196 (KHD Barker, 39.3 ov), 8-232 (SW Currie, 45.1 ov)								



Derbyshire v Worcestershire at New Road RL50 14 August 2022



Luis Reece

Luis Reece hit his List A best score of 136 as Derbyshire kept alive their hopes of qualifying for the knockout stages of the Royal London Cup with a 47 run success over Worcestershire Rapids at New Road.

The Derbyshire opener surpassed his previous best total of 128 – also against Worcestershire at Derby three years ago – in a perfectly paced innings which helped his side amass 312-9 on a hybrid pitch. He was given excellent support by Shan Masood and Anuj Dal in stands of 137 and 91 respectively.

Worcestershire captain, Jake Libby, hit his maiden List A century to bring some respectability to his side's reply although they were realistically never in the hunt.

Libby, elected to bowl first and Ben Gibbon was rewarded for a tight opening spell when Harry Came was caught behind after an expansive drive.

Reece had played himself in before ramping Gibbon for six in the final over of the initial powerplay and the second wicket pair gradually flourished.

Reece completed an 82-ball half century with Masood needing only 46 deliveries to bring up his fifty.

Derbyshire raced onto 163-1 in the 31st over before Adam Finch, the pick of the Worcestershire attack, struck twice in the space of three balls.

Masood, on 63, edged through to keeper Ben Cox and Brooke Guest hooked his second delivery straight to Gibbon at deep square leg.

Reece needed only a further 45 balls to move to three figures and he accelerated even further during the initial stages of the final 10 overs. Successive overs from Libby and Gibbon both yielded 20 runs before Reece's excellent knock ended tamely on 136 when he struck a Taylor Cornall full toss straight to long off. His 142-ball innings contained three sixes and 15 fours.

Mattie McKiernan (16) sliced Pennington to third man and the pace bowler accounted for Ben Aitchison and Archie Harrison while Alex Hughes was bowled by Finch.

Connors immediately had Worcestershire on the back foot with a three wicket burst with the new ball. Cornall was strangled down the leg side and Ed Pollock drove to mid-off. Azhar Ali gave keeper Guest a second catch off Connors at 35-3 in the ninth over.

Reece came into the attack and struck in successive overs with Ed Barnard also nicking through to Guest and Ben Cox (12) bowled through the gate.

Libby batted with plenty of fluency and reached an excellent half century off 52 balls with six boundaries.

Henry Cullen chopped on when Aitchison returned to the attack, Joe Leach swung across the line to Dal and was lbw and Pennington (35) was bowled by McKiernan.

Potts accounted for Finch and Gibbon to round off the innings and leave Libby unbeaten on 126.



Derbyshire v Worcestershire at New Road RL50 14 August 2022 Scorecard

Derbyshire		Worcestershire Rapids						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
HRC Came	c Cox b Gibbon	18	28	31	<u>3</u>	0		
LM Reece	c Gibbon b Cornall	136	142	185	<u>15</u>	<u>3</u>		
S Masood*	c Cox b Finch	63	58	97	<u>5</u>	0		
BD Guest†	c Gibbon b Finch	0	2	3	0	0		
AK Dal	c Barnard b Cornall	46	34	64	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>		
MH McKiernan	c Gibbon b Pennington	16	15	21	<u>1</u>	0		
AL Hughes	b Finch	12	10	18	<u>1</u>	0		
A Harrison	c Cornall b Pennington	5	8	13	0	0		
BW Aitchison	c Cox b Pennington	1	2	2	0	0		
S Conners	not out	1	1	5	0	0		
NJ Potts	not out	6	1	1	0	<u>1</u>		
Extras	(lb 2, w 4, nb 2)	8						
Total	for <u>9 wickets</u> in 50 overs	312	301	222	<u>29</u>	<u>5</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
J Leach		10	0	52	0	5.20	2	0
BJ Gibbon		9	0	64	<u>1</u>	7.11	1	0
DY Pennington		10	0	59	<u>3</u>	5.90	0	0
AW Finch		10	0	54	<u>3</u>	5.40	1	0
JD Libby		8	0	58	0	7.25	0	1
TR Cornall		3	0	23	<u>2</u>	7.67	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-24 (HRC Came, 7.3 ov), 2-161 (S Masood, 30.2 ov), 3-161 (BD Guest, 30.4 ov), 4-252 (LM Reece, 42.4 ov), 5-275 (AK Dal, 44.4 ov), 6-292 (MH McKiernan, 47.1 ov), 7-302 (AL Hughes, 48.5 ov), 8-303 (BW Aitchison, 49.1 ov), 9-306 (A Harrison, 49.5 ov)								

Derbyshire		Worcestershire Rapids						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
EJ Pollock	<u>c Khan b Conners</u>	4	9	10	0	0		
TR Cornall	<u>c Guest b Conners</u>	0	2	3	0	0		
Azhar Ali	<u>c Guest b Conners</u>	11	22	28	1	0		
JD Libby*	not out	126	127	196	12	1		
EG Barnard	<u>c Guest b Reece</u>	19	20	33	2	0		
OB Cox†	<u>b Reece</u>	12	16	18	1	0		
HJ Cullen	<u>b Aitchison</u>	8	20	27	0	0		
J Leach	<u>lbw b Dal</u>	2	13	10	0	0		
DY Pennington	<u>b McKiernan</u>	35	43	51	3	1		
AW Finch	<u>b Potts</u>	24	13	25	2	2		
BJ Gibbon	<u>c Reece b Potts</u>	11	11	9	1	0		
Extras	(lb 7, nb 6)	13						
Total	for <u>10 wickets</u> in 48.5 overs	265	296	207	22	4		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners		8	0	37	3	4.63	0	1
BW Aitchison		10	0	44	1	4.40	0	1
NJ Potts		8.5	0	63	2	7.13	0	0
LM Reece		7	0	33	2	4.71	0	0
AK Dal		5	0	16	1	3.20	0	0
MH McKiernan		7	0	42	1	6.00	0	0
A Harrison		3	0	23	0	7.67	0	1
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-5 (TR Cornall, 0.6 ov), 2-8 (EJ Pollock, 2.4 ov), 3-35 (Azhar Ali, 8.1 ov), 4-76 (EG Barnard, 15.4 ov), 5-98 (OB Cox, 19.3 ov), 6-118 (HJ Cullen, 25.4 ov), 7-125 (J Leach, 28.1 ov), 8-192 (DY Pennington, 41.2 ov), 9-253 (AW Finch, 46.5 ov), 10-265 (BJ Gibbon, 48.5 ov)								

Derbyshire v Kent at Derby RL50 17 August 2022

Match Report



Derbyshire's hopes of reaching the knock-out stages of the Royal London One-Day Cup were ended by rain and a points penalty.

The abandonment of the Group B match against Kent at the Incora County Ground, Derby, left both teams chances in the balance with only two games remaining.

Derbyshire v Yorkshire at Queen's Park RL50

21 August 2022



Sam Conners

Yorkshire Vikings edged a thrilling Royal London One-Day Cup match against Derbyshire by one wicket on a poor Chesterfield pitch to keep alive their hopes of reaching the knock-out stages.

Chasing a target of 110, Sam Conners took 5 for 28 to reduce the Vikings to 88 for 7 and they lost two more wickets before Harry Sullivan got them over the line in the 32nd over.

On a pitch where some balls took off and others stayed low, Derbyshire were bowled out for 109 with Ben Coad taking 2 for 15 in 10 overs and Jack Shutt 2 for 5.

Harry Came top scored with 19 from 58 balls but Yorkshire also ran into trouble until George Hill, 21, and Sullivan sealed a tense victory.

After the Vikings won the toss, Derbyshire struggled from the start on a pitch of variable bounce that was extremely challenging to bat on. Four batsmen were hit by balls that reared alarmingly while Came was almost bowled by one that skidded through.

Billy Godleman was surprised by a ball that stopped on him and Luis Reece, who was struck on the hand, was caught at point off a leading edge.

Guest was another victim of the pitch when he was lbw staying back to Coad, Anuj Dal cut Matthew Revis to point and when Came was bowled pushing forward at Sullivan, Derbyshire had slipped to 69 for 6.

Mattie McKiernan swung a full toss from Sullivan for six but was lbw to Shutt with the last three wickets falling in three overs to leave Yorkshire with what looked a modest target.

But they were soon in trouble with Will Fraine bowled by a shooter from Conners and Finlay Bean athletically caught at point by Dal off a leading edge against Aitchison.

Harry Duke, badly dropped at mid on by Luis Reece, was caught by the same fielder when he miscued a pull to give Conners his 100th Derbyshire wicket in all formats.

When Aitchison plunged forward to take a return catch off a leading edge from skipper Jonny Tattersall, the Vikings were in trouble at 37 for 4 but some firm blows from Waite eased the pressure.

The momentum shifted again when Conners returned to bowl Waite with another ball that kept low before Matthew Revis edged a drive to first slip.

Conners claimed his fifth wicket when he bowled Tom Loten and after Hill took his side to within nine of victory, he was caught behind trying to steer a wide ball from Aitchison.

With the scores level, Coad was yorked by Nick Potts but Sullivan kept his nerve to hit the winning run off spinner Mark Watt.



Derbyshire v Yorkshire at Queen's Park RL50

21 August 2022

Scorecard

Derbyshire		Yorkshire Vikings						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
LM Reece	<u>c Tattersall b Waite</u>	3	24	33	0	0		
BA Godleman*	<u>c & b Coad</u>	16	14	21	<u>3</u>	0		
S Masood	<u>c Duke b Waite</u>	5	17	29	<u>1</u>	0		
HRC Came	<u>b Sullivan</u>	19	58	87	<u>2</u>	0		
BD Guest†	<u>lbw b Coad</u>	12	32	40	<u>3</u>	0		
AK Dal	<u>c Tattersall b Revis</u>	5	17	23	0	0		
MH McKiernan	<u>lbw b Shutt</u>	17	33	52	0	<u>1</u>		
MRJ Watt	<u>b Revis</u>	4	10	11	<u>1</u>	0		
BW Aitchison	<u>b Sullivan</u>	16	41	39	<u>1</u>	0		
NJ Potts	<u>lbw b Shutt</u>	1	4	9	0	0		
S Conners	not out	1	6	5	0	0		
Extras	(lb 4, w 6)	10						
Total	for <u>10 wickets in 42.4 overs</u>	109	256	177	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
BO Coad		10	4	15	<u>2</u>	1.50	2	0
MJ Waite		9	2	25	<u>2</u>	2.78	2	0
ML Revis		8	1	21	<u>2</u>	2.63	1	0
TW Loten		3	2	16	0	5.33	1	0
HA Sullivan		10	1	23	<u>2</u>	2.30	0	0
JW Shutt		2.4	0	5	<u>2</u>	1.88	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-20 (BA Godleman, 4.6 ov), 2-25 (LM Reece, 7.2 ov), 3-28 (S Masood, 11.1 ov), 4-55 (BD Guest, 20.5 ov), 5-67 (AK Dal, 26.3 ov), 6-69 (HRC Came, 27.3 ov), 7-77 (MRJ Watt, 30.4 ov), 8-105 (MH McKiernan, 40.2 ov), 9-107 (BW Aitchison, 41.2 ov), 10-109 (NJ Potts, 42.4 ov)								

Derbyshire		Yorkshire Vikings						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
WAR Fraine	<u>b Conners</u>	12	13	10	<u>2</u>	0		
HG Duke†	<u>c Reece b Conners</u>	8	20	37	<u>1</u>	0		
FJ Bean	<u>c Dal b Aitchison</u>	3	16	21	0	0		
GCH Hill	<u>c Guest b Aitchison</u>	21	48	83	<u>2</u>	0		
JA Tattersall*	<u>c & b Aitchison</u>	9	16	20	<u>2</u>	0		
MJ Waite	<u>b Conners</u>	23	17	18	<u>5</u>	0		
ML Revis	<u>c Watt b Conners</u>	7	11	8	<u>1</u>	0		
TW Loten	<u>b Conners</u>	4	14	14	<u>1</u>	0		
BO Coad	<u>b Potts</u>	7	19	28	<u>1</u>	0		
HA Sullivan	not out	8	17	17	<u>1</u>	0		
JW Shutt	not out	0	0	3	0	0		
Extras	(b 4, w 4)	8						
Total	for <u>9 wickets</u> in 31.5 overs	110	191	132	<u>16</u>	0		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners		10	2	28	<u>5</u>	2.80	2	0
BW Aitchison		10	1	33	<u>3</u>	3.30	0	0
NJ Potts		4	0	25	<u>1</u>	6.25	2	0
MRJ Watt		7.5	0	20	0	2.55	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-14 (WAR Fraine, 2.2 ov), 2-25 (FJ Bean, 7.2 ov), 3-25 (HG Duke, 8.5 ov), 4-37 (JA Tattersall, 13.6 ov), 5-70 (MJ Waite, 18.3 ov), 6-78 (ML Revis, 20.4 ov), 7-88 (TW Loten, 24.4 ov), 8-101 (GCH Hill, 28.1 ov), 9-109 (BO Coad, 30.6 ov)								



Derbyshire v Northamptonshire at Wantage Road RL50 23 August 2022



Luis Reece scored his second century of this year's Royal London Cup campaign to set up a Derbyshire victory by eight wickets against Northamptonshire on a day of records and big runs at Wantage Road.

Reece (106) shared a mammoth opening partnership worth 204 with his captain Billy Godleman (87) as Derbyshire chased down 312 to win. It was a record stand in List A games between these two sides, the highest for any Derbyshire wicket beating the previous best between Kim Barnett and Chris Adams in 1997.

It was Derbyshire's highest successful run chase in all List A cricket, beating their previous best of 309, also against Northamptonshire, in 2017.

Derbyshire made an immediate breakthrough when Ben Aitchison struck in consecutive overs to remove the dangerous pair of Ricardo Vasconcelos, who was caught off a top edge, and skipper Will Young who edged to the keeper to leave the hosts on 19 for two.

Saif Zaib and Emilio Gay led the recovery, putting on 58 in 10 overs, with Zaib stroking boundaries off three consecutive deliveries from Sam Connors before Gay (29) chipped Reece straight to short midwicket.

After putting on 59 with McManus, Zaib (62) reverse swept Mattie McKiernan straight to Mark Watt behind square. It was to be the last wicket for some time as Taylor joined forces with McManus.

McManus' first 50 included just three boundaries but he ran sharply between the wickets and reached the milestone off 79 deliveries. From there he accelerated with the rest of his runs coming off just 32 balls.

Taylor smoked Watt over long-on for six but was content to let McManus have the strike initially. He crunched Connors down the ground for four and scooped him over the keeper to bring up his fifth List A half-century. The carnage continued when he swung Reece high over long-on into the stands for six.

The pair were finally parted when McManus was run out while Taylor fell when he missed an attempted scoop and was bowled by Connors.

Derbyshire got off to a bright start in the chase. Reece soon found the boundary, playing a brace of perfect on-drives down the pitch off Taylor, scooping him for another boundary and whipping Nathan Buck over backward square leg for six. He advanced to his half-century off exactly 50 deliveries with his eighth boundary.

Derbyshire passed 200 in the 35th over but when Reece attempted to force the pace, coming down the pitch to Taylor, he could only pick out Gay who took an excellent tumbling legside boundary catch. He had faced 120 balls and hit 13 fours and one six.

Four overs later Godleman (99 balls) departed too, run out thanks to some sharp work by Sales with Derbyshire still needing 91 with nine overs to go.

Shan Masood held the key to Derbyshire's hopes and he came out determined to play his shots, whipping a legside half volley from Sales off his pads for six, supported by Came who struck two big sixes as the pair added 50 in five overs to leave Derbyshire needing 36 off the last five.



Derbyshire v Northamptonshire at Wantage Road RL50 23 August 2022 Scorecard

Northamptonshire Steelbacks		Derbyshire						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
RS Vasconcelos	<u>c McKiernan b Aitchison</u>	10	17	13	2	0		
EN Gay	<u>c sub (Wagstaff) b Reece</u>	29	32	67	2	1		
WA Young*	<u>c Guest b Aitchison</u>	7	12	11	1	0		
SA Zaib	<u>c Watt b McKiernan</u>	62	67	98	7	0		
LD McManus†	<u>run out (McKiernan/Guest)</u>	107	111	127	5	5		
TAI Taylor	<u>b Conners</u>	75	54	73	8	2		
JJG Sales	<u>run out (Came/Guest)</u>	6	5	8	0	0		
AH Miller	not out	4	3	5	0	0		
NL Buck								
BD Glover								
AK Russell								
Extras	(lb 1, w 8, nb 2)	11						
Total	for <u>7 wickets</u> in 50 overs	311	301	203	25	8		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
S Conners		10	0	84	1	8.40	0	0
BW Aitchison		10	0	49	2	4.90	1	0
NJ Potts		9	0	57	0	6.33	2	1
LM Reece		4	0	30	1	7.50	2	0
MRJ Watt		10	0	63	0	6.30	1	0
AK Dal		4	0	13	0	3.25	0	0
MH McKiernan		3	0	14	1	4.67	0	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-11 (RS Vasconcelos, 3.2 ov), 2-19 (WA Young, 5.5 ov), 3-77 (EN Gay, 15.3 ov), 4-136 (SA Zaib, 29.6 ov), 5-297 (LD McManus, 48.2 ov), 6-302 (TAI Taylor, 48.5 ov), 7-311 (JJG Sales, 49.6 ov)								

Northamptonshire Steelbacks		Derbyshire						
BATTERS		R	B	M	4s	6s		
LM Reece	c Gay b Taylor	106	125	145	13	1		
BA Godleman*	run out (Sales/Vasconcelos)	87	99	163	9	0		
S Masood	not out	53	42	62	4	1		
HRC Came	not out	44	27	44	4	2		
BD Guest†								
AK Dal								
MH McKiernan								
MRJ Watt								
BW Aitchison								
NJ Potts								
S Conners								
Extras	(b 1, lb 9, w 12)	22						
Total	for 2 wickets in 48.5 overs	312	293	208	30	4		
BOWLERS		O	M	R	W	RPO	Wd	Nb
TAI Taylor		8	1	55	1	6.88	1	0
NL Buck		9	0	55	0	6.11	0	0
BD Glover		5.5	0	46	0	7.89	5	0
JJG Sales		6	0	36	0	6.00	2	0
AK Russell		10	0	46	0	4.60	1	0
SA Zaib		10	0	64	0	6.40	1	0
FALL OF WICKETS								
1-204 (LM Reece, 35.2 ov), 2-221 (BA Godleman, 39.1 ov)								



DERBYSHIRE County Cricket Club List A Season 2022

List A Batting Averages*

NAME	M	I	NO	R	HS	AVE	SR	100	50
Shan Masood	5	5	1	203	82	50.75	85.65	0	3
LM Reece	7	7	0	330	136	47.14	78.75	2	1
MH McKiernan	7	6	1	192	72*	38.40	92.75	0	1
BD Guest	7	6	0	202	88	33.66	76.80	0	2
BA Godleman	5	5	0	140	87	28.00	88.05	0	1
AK Dal	7	6	0	151	46	25.16	81.18	0	0
HRC Came	7	7	1	145	44*	24.16	65.61	0	0

*Minimum 5 innings

Centuries (2)			
LM Reece (2)	136	v Worcestershire	New Road
LM Reece (1)	106	v Northamptonshire	County Cricket

Century Partnerships (4)			
For the First Wicket			
Reece LM, Godleman BA	204	v Northamptonshire	Wantage Road
For the Second Wicket			
Reece LM, Masood Shan	137	v Worcestershire	New Road
For the Fifth Wicket			
Guest BD, Dal AK	101	v Hampshire	Incora County Ground
For the Sixth Wicket			
Guest BD, McKiernan MH	125	v Essex	County Cricket

List A Bowling Averages*

NAME	O	M	R	W	AVE	BBI	SR
BW Aitchison	61.0	4	230	13	17.68	4/39	28.1
S Connors	51.0	3	250	12	20.83	5/28	25.5
LM Reece	41.1	0	225	6	37.50	2/30	41.1
AK Dal	24.0	0	94	2	47.00	1/16	72.0
MH McKiernan	27.0	0	161	3	53.66	1/14	54.0
N Potts	34.4	0	232	4	58.00	2/63	52.0

Five wickets (1)			
S Connors (1)	5/28	v Yorkshire	Queen's Park

Royal London One-Day Cup Group B Table

Team	P	W	L	T	NR	NRR	Points
Hampshire	8	7	1	0	0	0.595	14
Lancashire	8	5	2	0	1	0.555	11
Kent	8	4	3	0	1	-0.818	9
Glamorgan	8	4	4	0	0	-0.042	8
Yorkshire	8	4	4	0	0	-0.126	8
Essex	8	3	4	0	1	0.810	7
Derbyshire	8	3	4	0	1	-0.351	5
Northamptonshire	8	2	6	0	0	-0.067	4
Worcestershire	8	2	6	0	0	-0.452	4

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