

# The Virtual Wisdener

Fixtures Special March 2021

The Newsletter of the Wisden Collectors' Club

**M**ay I firstly apologise to our many overseas readers for this English domestic fixtures Special edition of The Virtual Wisdener and also an apology for including only the fixtures for men's cricket and for not including any minor counties information - trust me it was hard enough finding details of the County Championship schedule, but apparently (and goodness me, I truly have no clue why this is...) finding the details of The Hundred and the T20 Blast was rather easy.

I know that a lot of people receiving this enjoy all forms of the game and so I have tried to be fair and give the fixture details for the County Championship, Royal London Cup, T20 Blast and The Hundred. I have included a basic overview of the rules of The Hundred - may I sarcastically draw your attention to the 'scoreboard' proposal at the bottom of page 8 (\*\*).

I wanted the fixture lists to be as easy to follow as possible. In the past I have seen massive colour co-ordinated charts in date order, which were just a bit too colourful for me, especially as I do have a certain degree of colour-blindness, so I thought the easiest and pleasing-on-the-eye method was to put each competition, with dates and venues separately.

There is a very good chance that most of you will have seen something better and pandemic-permitting you are quietly, daringly, scheduling in maybe a game or two through the summer, so apologies if this is just another add-on to the pile of stuff in your virtual bin.

I also know that the new Wisden will probably have the season's fixtures but as with those colour charts, Wisden publish them all together in date order with abbreviations such as CC (no idea what that means) and for me, that is just too faffy to follow. A sincere apology to John Wisden and Co if anything I have written in this or any other paragraph offends.

Space and trying to be as neat and tidy as

Thank you to all of you for ordering the 2021 Wisden from me. I have looked online and I don't think it can be found for less than I am offering but the fact that so many of you have pre-ordered it well in advance is very much appreciated. If you would like to place your an order for the 2021 please do so via the website, by clicking [here](#)

possible meant that the flow of fixtures is not how I would have ideally liked, but I do hope it makes sense.

I did notice some lovely little gems amongst the fixtures - a double header in the T20 Blast at Southampton on July 16th involving Hampshire, Essex and Sussex - something I have been banging on about for years to reduce the days that the competition takes up: Middlesex playing a championship match at Merchant Taylors (I am sure one of you at least will point out that is not a first), but sadly the lack of games outside of the various HQs is sad - but who knows, maybe the TBCs are waiting to see if the county has a chance of being in the trophy hunt and if not matches will be switched to venues county-wide, not the most respectful way to do it, but better than nothing I suppose.

I hope you find this of use and let us hope that the pandemic does not impact too much on the season, but if it does, we will ultimately get through it!

And of course, the squad information will no doubt change as more overseas mercenaries, oops sorry, players are signed up and if there are errors, again, my fault.

As always, keep safe and well  
Bill

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Wisden Collectors' Club is  
2,790 people

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## 2021 County Championship Fixtures

### Thursday, April 8

**Group 1:** Essex v Worcestershire (Chelmsford)  
Nottinghamshire v Durham (Trent Bridge)  
Warwickshire v Derbyshire (Edgbaston)

**Group 2:** Middlesex v Somerset (Lord's)  
Leicestershire v Hampshire (Leicester)

**Group 3:** Northamptonshire v Kent (Northampton)  
Sussex v Lancashire (Hove)  
Yorkshire v Glamorgan (Headingley)

### Thursday, April 15

**Group 1:** Derbyshire v Worcestershire (Derby)  
Essex v Durham (Chelmsford)  
Nottinghamshire v Warwickshire (Trent Bridge)

**Group 2:** Hampshire v Middlesex (Southampton)  
Somerset v Gloucestershire (Taunton)  
Surrey v Leicestershire (The Oval)

**Group 3:** Lancashire v Northamptonshire (Old Trafford)  
Kent v Yorkshire (Canterbury)  
Glamorgan v Sussex (Cardiff)

### Thursday, April 22

**Group 1:** Durham v Derbyshire (Chester-le-Street)  
Worcestershire v Nottinghamshire (Worcester)  
Warwickshire v Essex (Edgbaston)

**Group 2:** Hampshire v Gloucestershire (Southampton)  
Middlesex v Surrey (Lord's)  
Leicestershire v Somerset (Leicester)

**Group 3:** Sussex v Yorkshire (Hove)  
Kent v Lancashire (Canterbury)  
Northamptonshire v Glamorgan (Northampton)

### Thursday, April 29

**Group 1:** Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire (Derby)  
Worcestershire v Essex (Worcester)  
Durham v Warwickshire (Chester-le-Street)

**Group 2:** Gloucestershire v Leicestershire (Bristol)  
Somerset v Middlesex (Taunton)  
Surrey v Hampshire (The Oval)

**Group 3:** Lancashire v Sussex (Old Trafford)  
Glamorgan v Kent (Cardiff)  
Yorkshire v Northamptonshire (Headingley)

### Thursday, May 6

**Group 1:** Warwickshire v Worcestershire (Edgbaston)  
Nottinghamshire v Essex (Trent Bridge)

**Group 2:** Leicestershire v Surrey (Leicester)  
Middlesex v Gloucestershire (Lord's)

**Group 3:** Hampshire v Somerset (Southampton)  
Yorkshire v Kent (Headingley)  
Lancashire v Glamorgan (Old Trafford)  
Northamptonshire v Sussex (Northampton)

### Thursday, May 13

**Group 1:** Essex v Derbyshire (Chelmsford)  
Durham v Worcestershire (Chester-le-Street)

**Group 2:** Middlesex v Hampshire (Lord's)  
Somerset v Surrey (Taunton)

The 2021 County Championship will be divided into three groups of six teams, with each side playing everyone else in their group home and away.

A second round of group matches will follow, with the top two, middle two, and bottom two teams from each of the first-round pools playing against each other. The two teams which finish top of the top group after the second round of matches will play for the Bob Willis Trophy at Lord's in late September.

**Group 1:** *Derbyshire, Durham, Essex, Nottinghamshire, Warwickshire, Worcestershire*

**Group 2:** *Gloucestershire, Hampshire, Leicestershire, Middlesex, Somerset, Surrey*

**Group 3:** *Glamorgan, Kent, Lancashire, Northamptonshire, Sussex, Yorkshire.*

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'Seedings for the Group Stage of the 2021 County Championship have been determined based on performances during the 2019 County Championship and the 2020 Bob Willis Trophy. There has been a provision to accommodate derby matches within the groups, where appropriate with the seeding structure. This is to ensure that county members and supporters can look forward to some of county cricket's oldest rivalries resuming home and away.'

**Group 3:** Sussex v Kent (Hove)  
Glamorgan v Yorkshire (Cardiff)

### Thursday, May 20

**Group 1:** Nottinghamshire v Worcestershire (Trent Bridge)

Essex v Warwickshire (Chelmsford)  
Derbyshire v Durham (Derby)

**Group 2:** Hampshire v Leicestershire (Southampton)  
Gloucestershire v Somerset (Bristol)  
Surrey v Middlesex (The Oval)

**Group 3:** Northamptonshire v Lancashire (Northampton)  
Kent v Glamorgan (Canterbury)

### Thursday, May 27

**Group 1:** Durham v Essex (Chester-le-Street)  
Warwickshire v Nottinghamshire (Edgbaston)  
Worcestershire v Derbyshire (Worcester)

**Group 2:** Surrey v Gloucestershire (Guildford)  
Leicestershire v Middlesex (Leicester)

**Group 3:** Lancashire v Yorkshire (Old Trafford)  
Sussex v Northamptonshire (Hove)

## 2021 County Championship Fixtures cont'd & The Hundred

### Thursday, June 3

**Group 1:** Worcestershire v Durham (Worcester)  
Essex v Nottinghamshire (Chelmsford)  
Derbyshire v Warwickshire (Derby)  
**Group 2:** Somerset v Hampshire (Taunton)  
Leicestershire v Gloucestershire (Leicester)  
**Group 3:** Yorkshire v Sussex (Headingley)  
Kent v Northamptonshire (Canterbury)  
Glamorgan v Lancashire (TBC)

### Sunday, July 4

**Group 1:** Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire (Trent Bridge)  
Warwickshire v Durham (Edgbaston)  
**Group 2:** Gloucestershire v Middlesex (Cheltenham)  
Hampshire v Surrey (Southampton)  
Somerset v Leicestershire (Taunton)  
**Group 3:** Lancashire v Kent (Old Trafford)  
Northamptonshire v Yorkshire (Northampton)  
Sussex v Glamorgan (Hove)

### Sunday, July 1

**Group 1:** Derbyshire v Essex (Chesterfield)  
Durham v Nottinghamshire (Chester-le-Street)  
Worcestershire v Warwickshire (Worcester)  
**Group 2:** Gloucestershire v Hampshire (Cheltenham)  
Middlesex v Leicestershire (Merchant Taylors)  
Surrey v Somerset (The Oval)  
**Group 3:** Yorkshire v Lancashire (Scarborough)  
Glamorgan v Northamptonshire (Cardiff)  
Kent v Sussex (Beckenham)

### Division stage dates

**Round 1:** August 30 - September 2  
**Round 2:** September 5 - 8  
**Round 3:** September 12 - 15  
**Round 4:** September 21 - 24  
**Bob Willis Trophy Final:** September 27 - October 1

## The Hundred - 2021 Fixtures

### Thursday, July 22

Oval Invincibles v Manchester Originals (The Oval)

### Friday, July 23

Birmingham Phoenix v London Spirit (Edgbaston)

### Saturday, July 24:

Trent Rockets v Southern Brave (Trent Bridge)  
Northern Superchargers v Welsh Fire (Headingley)

### Sunday, July 25

London Spirit v Oval Invincibles (Lord's)  
Manchester Originals v Birmingham Phoenix (Old T)

### Monday, July 26

Trent Rockets v Northern Superchargers (Trent B)

### Tuesday, July 27

Welsh Fire v Southern Brave (Cardiff)

### Wednesday, July 28

Manchester Originals v Northern Superchargers (Old T)

### Thursday, July 29

London Spirit v Trent Rockets (Lord's)

### Friday, July 30

Southern Brave v Birmingham Phoenix (Southampton)

### Saturday, July 31

Welsh Fire v Manchester Originals (Cardiff)  
Northern Superchargers v Oval Invincibles (Headingley)

### Sunday, August 1

Birmingham Phoenix v Trent Rockets (Edgbaston)  
London Spirit v Southern Brave (Lord's)

### Monday, August 2

Oval Invincibles v Welsh Fire (The Oval)

### Tuesday, August 3

London Spirit v Northern Superchargers (Lord's)  
Wednesday, August 4  
Birmingham Phoenix v Oval Invincibles (Edgbaston)

### Thursday, August 5

Manchester Originals v Southern Brave (Old T)

### Friday, August 6

Welsh Fire v Trent Rockets (Cardiff)

### Saturday, August 7

Southern Brave v Northern Superchargers (Southampton)

### Sunday, August 8

Oval Invincibles v Trent Rockets (The Oval)

### Monday, August 9

Birmingham Phoenix v Welsh Fire (Edgbaston)

### Tuesday, August 10

Manchester Originals v London Spirit (Old T)

### Wednesday, August 11

Southern Brave v Welsh Fire (Southampton)

### Thursday, August 12

Northern Superchargers v Manchester Originals (Headingley)

### Friday, August 13

Trent Bridge Rockets v Birmingham Phoenix (Trent B)

### Saturday, August 14

Oval Invincibles v London Spirit (The Oval)

### Sunday, August 15

Trent Rockets v Manchester Originals (Trent B)

### Monday, August 16

Southern Brave v Oval Invincibles (Southampton)

### Tuesday, August 17

Northern Superchargers v Birmingham Phoenix (Headingley)

### Wednesday, August 18

Welsh Fire v London Spirit (Cardiff)

### Friday, August 20

Eliminator (The Oval)

### Saturday, August 21

Final (Lord's)

**Wednesday, June 9**

Kent v Hampshire (Canterbury)  
Lancashire v Derbyshire (Old Trafford)  
Worcestershire v Nottinghamshire (Worcester)  
Somerset v Essex (Taunton)

**Thursday, June 10**

Yorkshire v Birmingham Bears (Headingley)  
Lancashire v Leicestershire (Old Trafford)  
Middlesex v Surrey (Lord's)  
Glamorgan v Gloucestershire (Cardiff)

**Friday, June 11**

Gloucestershire v Sussex (Bristol)  
Kent v Middlesex (Canterbury)  
Durham v Yorkshire (Riverside)  
Essex v Hampshire (Chelmsford)  
Somerset v Surrey (Taunton)  
Northamptonshire v Worcestershire (Northampton)  
Nottinghamshire v Birmingham Bears (Trent Bridge)  
Leicestershire v Derbyshire (Leicester)

**Saturday, June 12**

Sussex v Hampshire (Hove)

**Sunday, June 13**

Kent v Gloucestershire (Canterbury)  
Worcestershire v Lancashire (New Road)  
Glamorgan v Essex (Cardiff)  
Northamptonshire v Nottinghamshire (Northampton)  
Derbyshire v Birmingham Bears (Derby)

**Monday, June 14**

Surrey v Glamorgan (The Oval)

**Tuesday, June 15**

Yorkshire v Leicestershire (Headingley)  
Durham v Nottinghamshire (Riverside)  
Middlesex v Hampshire (TBC)  
Essex v Sussex (Chelmsford)  
Somerset v Kent (Taunton)  
Northamptonshire v Birmingham Bears (Northampton)  
Derbyshire v Lancashire (Derby)

**Wednesday, June 16**

Worcestershire v Yorkshire (Worcester)  
Glamorgan v Kent (Cardiff)  
Leicestershire v Birmingham Bears (Leicester)

**Thursday, June 17**

Durham v Lancashire (Riverside)  
Surrey v Sussex (The Oval)  
Middlesex v Gloucestershire (TBC)  
Derbyshire v Northamptonshire (Derby)

**Friday, June 18**

Birmingham Bears v Lancashire (Edgbaston)  
Yorkshire v Durham (Headingley)  
Surrey v Hampshire (The Oval)  
Worcestershire v Northamptonshire (Worcester)  
Glamorgan v Middlesex (Cardiff)  
Sussex v Somerset (Hove)  
Essex v Gloucestershire (Chelmsford)  
Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire (Trent Bridge)

**Saturday, June 19**

Somerset v Glamorgan (Taunton)

**Sunday, June 20**

Gloucestershire v Hampshire (Bristol)  
Kent v Essex (Chelmsford)  
Yorkshire v Derbyshire (Headingley)  
Durham v Birmingham Bears (Riverside)  
Lancashire v Nottinghamshire (Old Trafford)  
Northamptonshire v Leicestershire (Northampton)

**Monday, June 21**

Surrey v Essex (The Oval)

**Tuesday, June 22**

Gloucestershire v Kent (Bristol)  
Sussex v Glamorgan (Hove)  
Derbyshire v Leicestershire (Derby)  
Nottinghamshire v Worcestershire (Trent Bridge)

**Wednesday, June 23**

Yorkshire v Worcestershire (Headingley)  
Durham v Northamptonshire (Riverside)  
Surrey v Somerset (The Oval)

**Thursday, June 24**

Birmingham Bears v Derbyshire (Edgbaston)  
Middlesex v Essex (Lord's)  
Gloucestershire v Glamorgan (Lord's)

**Friday, June 25**

Surrey v Middlesex (The Oval)  
Worcestershire v Durham (Worcester)  
Sussex v Gloucestershire (Hove)  
Essex v Kent (Chelmsford)  
Somerset v Hampshire (Taunton)  
Northamptonshire v Lancashire (Northampton)  
Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire (Derby)  
Leicestershire v Yorkshire (Leicester)

**Saturday, June 26**

Birmingham Bears v Durham (Edgbaston)  
Yorkshire v Northamptonshire (Headingley)  
Nottinghamshire v Lancashire (Trent Bridge)

**Sunday, June 27**

Worcestershire v Leicestershire (Worcester)  
Middlesex v Glamorgan (TBC)  
Sussex v Surrey (Hove)

**Monday, June 28**

Hampshire v Middlesex (Southampton)  
Kent v Somerset (Canterbury)

**Tuesday, June 29**

Glamorgan v Surrey (Cardiff)  
Sussex v Kent (Hove)  
Essex v Somerset (Chelmsford)  
Leicestershire v Northamptonshire (Leicester)

**Wednesday, June 30**

Northamptonshire v Durham (Northampton)  
Hampshire v Surrey (Southampton)  
Birmingham Bears v Yorkshire (Edgbaston)



## T20 Blast - 2021 Fixtures and The Royal London Cup

### Thursday, July 1

Gloucestershire v Somerset (Bristol)  
Lancashire v Worcestershire (Old Trafford)  
Middlesex v Sussex (Lord's)  
Essex v Glamorgan (Chelmsford)  
Nottinghamshire v Leicestershire (Trent Bridge)

### Friday, July 2

Hampshire v Gloucestershire (Southampton)  
Kent v Surrey (Canterbury)  
Birmingham Bears v Nottinghamshire (Edgbaston)  
Yorkshire v Lancashire (Headingley)  
Durham v Leicestershire (Riverside)  
Glamorgan v Sussex (Cardiff)  
Somerset v Middlesex (Taunton)  
Derbyshire v Worcestershire (Derby)

### Friday, July 9

Hampshire v Somerset (Southampton)  
Gloucestershire v Middlesex (Cheltenham)  
Lancashire v Northamptonshire (Old Trafford)  
Durham v Derbyshire (Riverside)  
Surrey v Kent (The Oval)  
Worcestershire v Birmingham Bears (Worcester)  
Sussex v Essex (Hove)  
Nottinghamshire v Yorkshire (Trent Bridge)

### Friday, July 16

Hampshire v Essex (Southampton - double header)  
Hampshire v Sussex (Southampton - double header)  
Gloucestershire v Surrey (Cheltenham)  
Birmingham Bears v Worcestershire (Edgbaston)  
Lancashire v Durham (Old Trafford)  
Middlesex v Kent (Lord's)  
Glamorgan v Somerset (Cardiff)  
Northamptonshire v Derbyshire (Northampton),  
Leicestershire v Nottinghamshire (Leicester)

### Saturday, July 17:

Lancashire v Yorkshire (Old Trafford)

### Sunday, July 18:

Hampshire v Glamorgan (Southampton)  
Kent v Sussex (Canterbury)  
Derbyshire v Yorkshire (Chesterfield)  
Birmingham Bears v Northamptonshire (Edgbaston)  
Essex v Middlesex (Chelmsford)  
Somerset v Gloucestershire (Taunton)  
Nottinghamshire v Durham (Trent Bridge)  
Leicestershire v Worcestershire (Leicester)

### Tuesday August 24, Wednesday 25,

### Thursday 26 and Friday 27:

### Quarter-final days

### Saturday, September 18

### Finals Day (Edgbaston)

## Royal London Cup Fixtures

### Thursday, July 22

Glamorgan v Warwickshire (Cardiff)  
Hampshire v Essex (Southampton), Kent v Durham (Beckenham), Leicestershire v Derbyshire (Leicester),  
Yorkshire v Surrey (Scarborough)

### Friday, July 23

Lancashire v Sussex (TBC)

### Saturday, July 25

Essex v Middlesex (Chelmsford)  
Gloucestershire v Lancashire (Bristol)  
Leicestershire v Yorkshire (Leicester)  
Northamptonshire v Glamorgan (Northampton)  
Somerset v Derbyshire (Taunton)  
Sussex v Durham (Hove)  
Warwickshire v Nottinghamshire (Edgbaston)  
Worcestershire v Kent (Worcester)

### Tuesday, July 27

Derbyshire v Warwickshire (Derby)  
Gloucestershire v Worcestershire (Bristol)  
Hampshire v Sussex (Southampton)  
Middlesex v Durham (TBC)  
Surrey v Nottinghamshire (The Oval)

### Wednesday, July 28

Kent v Lancashire (Beckenham)  
Somerset v Glamorgan (Taunton)  
Yorkshire v Northamptonshire (Scarborough)

### Thursday, July 29

Durham v Gloucestershire (South Northumberland)  
Essex v Worcestershire (Chelmsford)  
Warwickshire v Leicestershire (Edgbaston)

### Friday, July 30

Derbyshire v Glamorgan (Derby)  
Middlesex v Hampshire (TBC)  
Nottinghamshire v Somerset (Welbeck)  
Surrey v Northamptonshire (The Oval)  
Sussex v Kent (Hove)

### Sunday, August 1

Essex v Kent (Chelmsford)  
Hampshire v Lancashire (Southampton)  
Northamptonshire v Derbyshire (Northampton)  
Nottinghamshire v Leicestershire (Welbeck)  
Somerset v Yorkshire (Taunton)  
Sussex v Gloucestershire (Hove)  
Worcestershire v Middlesex (Worcester)

### Tuesday, August 3

Glamorgan v Surrey (Cardiff)  
Gloucestershire v Essex (Bristol)  
Lancashire v Middlesex (TBC)  
Yorkshire v Warwickshire (York)

## Royal London Cup and England Home Fixtures

### Wednesday, August 4

Hampshire v Worcestershire (Southampton)  
Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire (Derby)

### Thursday, August 5

Durham v Lancashire (Riverside)  
Leicestershire v Glamorgan (Leicester)  
Surrey v Somerset (The Oval)

### Friday, August 6

Gloucestershire v Hampshire (Bristol)  
Middlesex v Kent (TBC)  
Warwickshire v Northamptonshire (Edgbaston)  
Worcestershire v Sussex (Worcester)  
Yorkshire v Nottinghamshire (York)

### Saturday, August 7

Leicestershire v Surrey (Leicester)

### Sunday, August 8

Derbyshire v Yorkshire (Chesterfield)  
Durham v Essex (Riverside)  
Glamorgan v Nottinghamshire (Cardiff)  
Kent v Hampshire (Beckenham)  
Lancashire v Worcestershire (TBC)  
Middlesex v Gloucestershire (TBC)  
Northamptonshire v Somerset (Northampton)

### Tuesday, August 10

Essex v Sussex (Chelmsford)  
Nottinghamshire v Northamptonshire (Grantham)  
Somerset v Leicestershire (Taunton)  
Surrey v Warwickshire (The Oval)  
Worcestershire v Durham (Worcester)

### Thursday, August 12

Derbyshire v Surrey (Derby)  
Durham v Hampshire (Riverside)  
Glamorgan v Yorkshire (Cardiff)  
Kent v Gloucestershire (Beckenham)  
Lancashire v Essex (Old Trafford)  
Northamptonshire v Leicestershire (Northampton),  
Sussex v Middlesex (Hove)  
Warwickshire v Somerset (Edgbaston)

### Saturday, August 14

Quarter-finals

### Tuesday, August 17

Semi-finals

### Thursday, August 19

Final (Trent Bridge)

## England Home Fixtures

### Wednesday, June 2 - Sunday, June 6

England v New Zealand (1st Test Lord's)

### Thursday - Monday: June 10 - 14

England v New Zealand (2nd Test Edgbaston)

### Wednesday, June 23

England v Sri Lanka (1st T20I Cardiff)

### Thursday, June 24

England v Sri Lanka (2nd T20I Cardiff)

### Saturday, June 26

England v Sri Lanka (3rd T20I Southampton)

### Tuesday, June 29

England v Sri Lanka (1st ODI, Emirates Riverside)

### Thursday, July 1

England v Sri Lanka (2nd ODI, Kia Oval)

### Sunday, July 4

England v Sri Lanka (3rd ODI, Bristol)

### Thursday, July 8

England v Pakistan (1st ODI, Sophia Gardens)

### Saturday, July 10

England v Pakistan (2nd ODI, Lord's)

### Tuesday, July 13

England v Pakistan (3rd ODI, Edgbaston)

### Friday, July 16

England v Pakistan (1st T20I, Trent Bridge)

### Sunday, July 18

England v Pakistan (2nd T20I, Emerald Headingley)

### Tuesday, July 20

England v Pakistan (3rd T20I, Emirates Old Trafford)

### Wednesday, August 4 - Sunday, August 8

England v India (1st Test, Trent Bridge)

### Thursday, August 12 - Monday, August 16

England v India (2nd Test, Lord's)

### Wednesday, August 25 - Sunday, August 29

England v India (3rd Test, Emerald Headingley)

### Thursday, September 2 - Monday, September 6

England v India (4th Test, Kia Oval)

### Friday, September 10 - Tuesday, September 14

England v India (5th Test, Emirates Old Trafford)

The Virtual Wisdener has been published since April 3rd 2020 and every edition along with the three 'Special Newsletters entitled - Leaves From The Past (by Richard Lawrence - a look of some unique and unusual matches from the nineteenth century onwards) - can be found and read by clicking [\*here\*](#)

## 2021 County Squad changes from 2020

### Derbyshire

Overseas players: Ben McDermott (Australia, white-ball only), Dustin Melton (Zimbabwe), Billy Stanlake (Australia - Pictured Top, Right)

Players in: Brooke Guest (Lancashire), Nick Potts (youth)

Players out: Tony Palladino (retired)

### Durham

Overseas players: Cameron Bancroft (Australia)

Players in: Scott Borthwick (Surrey)

Players out: James Weighell (released), Ben Whitehead (released), Sol Bell (released), Josh Coughlin (released), Nathan Rimmington (released), Scott Steel (Leicestershire), Gareth Harte (released)

### Essex

Overseas players: Simon Harmer (South Africa), Peter Siddle (Australia)

Players in:

Players out: Rishi Patel (Leicestershire)

### Glamorgan

Overseas players: Marnus Labuschagne (Australia, Pictured, Right), Colin Ingram (South Africa), Michael Neser (Australia)

Players in: -

Players out: Kieran Bull (released), Connor Brown (released), Owen Morgan (Worcestershire), Graham Wagg (released), Marchant de Lange (Somerset)

### Gloucestershire

Overseas player: Dan Worrall (Australia)

Players in: Jared Warner (Yorkshire)

Players out: Gareth Roderick (Worcestershire), Stuart Whittingham (retired), George Drissell (released)

### Hampshire

Overseas players: Kyle Abbott (South Africa), Mohammad Abbas (Pakistan, County Championship)

Players in: George Munsey (T20 Blast)

Players out: Harry Caine (released), Oli Soames (released)

### Kent

Overseas players: Miguel Cummins (West Indies - for first eight CC matches)

Players in: Nathan Gilchrist (Somerset)

Players out: Calum Haggett (retired), Ivan Thomas (released)

### Lancashire

Overseas players: Dane Villas (South Africa)

Players in: Jack Blatherwick (Northamptonshire), Luke Wells (Sussex)

Players out: Brooke Guest (Derbyshire), Toby Lester (released), Stephen Parry (released)

### Leicestershire

Overseas player: Marcus Harris (Australia One-Day Cup), Naveen-ul-Haq (Afghanistan T20 Blast)

Players in: Scott Steel (Durham), Rishi Patel (Essex), Ed Barnes (Yorkshire)

Players out: Tom Taylor (Northamptonshire), Paul Horton (retired), Mark Cosgrove (released)

### Middlesex

Overseas players: Peter Handscomb (Australia)

Mujeeb ur Rahman (Afghanistan), Mitchell Marsh (Australia, T20 Blast)

Players in:

Players out: Dan Lincoln (released)

### Northamptonshire

Overseas players: Mohammad Nabi (Afghanistan T20 Blast), Wayne Parnell (South Africa)

Players in: Tom Taylor (Leicestershire)

Players out: Rob Newton (released), Brett Hutton (Nottinghamshire), Blessing

Muzarabani (released), Tom Sole (released)

NB: Ex-SA batsman Richard Levi, previously a Kolpak signing, has signed a new contract and is registered as a local player.

### Nottinghamshire

Overseas players: TBC

Players in: Brett Hutton (Northamptonshire), Toby Pettman, Dane Schadendorf

Players out: Jack Blatherwick (Lancashire), Chris Nash (released)

### Somerset

Overseas players: Marchant de Lange (South Africa)

Players in:

Players out: Nathan Gilchrist (Kent), Jamie

Overton (Surrey), Dom Bess (Yorkshire)

### Surrey

Overseas players: Hashim Amla (South Africa), Kumar Roach (West Indies, County Championship)

Players in: Jamie Overton (Somerset)

Players out: Scott Borthwick (Durham), Morne Morkel (released)

### Sussex

Overseas players: Travis Head (Australia, Stiaan van Zyl (South Africa), Rashid Khan (Afghanistan T20 only), David Wiese (South Africa, T20 only)

Players in: Jamie Atkins (youth), Henry

Crocombe (youth), Jack Carson (youth), Sean Hunt

Players out: Harry Finch (released), Luke

Wells (Lancashire), Danny Briggs (Warwickshire), Will Sheffield (released)

It seems the most up to date place for all County signings and squad information is the BBC website. If you would like to have a look, then please click [here](#)

## 2021 Squads cont'd

### Warwickshire

Overseas players: Carlos Brathwaite (West Indies, T20 Blast), Pieter Malan (South Africa, County Championship)

Players in: Danny Briggs (Sussex), Manraj Johal (youth), Jacob Bethell

Players out: Tim Ambrose (retired), Ian Bell (retired), Jeetan Patel (retired), Liam Banks (released)

### Worcestershire

Overseas players: Ben Dwarshuis (Australia -T20 Blast)

Players in: Gareth Roderick (Gloucestershire)

Players out: Olly Westbury (released), Ben Twohig (released), Wayne Parnell (released)

### Yorkshire

Overseas players: Duanne Olivier (South Africa), Lockie Ferguson (New Zealand, T20 Blast )

Players in: Dom Bess (Somerset), Ben Birkhead, George Hill, Dominic Leech, Tom Loten, Josh Sullivan, James Wharton, Matthew Revis, Josh Sullivan, Harry Duke (all youth)

Players out: Jared Warner (Gloucestershire), James Logan (released), Ed Barnes (Leicestershire)

## The Hundred

### Birmingham Phoenix

Men's: Chris Woakes, Dom Sibley, Moeen Ali (captain), Pat Brown, Adam Hose, Henry Brookes, Adam Zampa, Tom Helm, Benny Howell, Shaheen Afridi, Chris Cooke, Liam Livingstone, Kane Williamson, Tom Abell, Daniel Bell-Drummond, Miles Hammond

### London Spirit

Men's: Zak Crawley, Dan Lawrence, Eoin Morgan (captain), Mohammad Amir, Jade Dernbach, Mohammad Nabi, Luis Reece, Adam Rossington, Mason Crane, Joe Denly, Glenn Maxwell, Roelof Van Der Merwe, Mark Wood, Ravi Bopara, Chris Wood

### Manchester Originals

Men's: Jos Buttler, Joe Clarke, Phil Salt, Wayne Madsen, Matt Parkinson, Nicholas Pooran, Kagiso Rabada, Harry Gurney, Shadab Khan, Jamie Overton, Tom Lammonby, Steven Finn, Colin Ackermann, Richard Gleeson, Tom Hartley

### Northern Superchargers

Men's: Ben Stokes, Adil Rashid, David Willey, Tom Kohler-Cadmore, Adam Lyth, Aaron Finch, Brydon Carse, Chris Lynn, John Simpson, Mujeeb Ur Rahman, Olly Stone, Matthew Potts, Matthew Fisher, Harry Brook, Callum Parkinson

### Oval Invincibles

Men's: Sam Curran, Rory Burns, Tom Curran, Reece Topley, Alex Blake, Sunil Narine, Jason Roy, Nathan

Sowter, Sam Billings, Laurie Evans, Will Jacks, Sandeep Lamichhane, Saqib Mahmood, Colin Ingram, Brandon Glover, Jordan Clark

### Southern Brave

Men's: Jofra Archer, Liam Dawson, George Garton, Chris Jordan, Tymal Mills, Delray Rawlins, James Vince, Alex Davies, Max Waller, Craig Overton, Andre Russell, Marcus Stoinis, Ross Whiteley, David Warner, Danny Briggs

### Trent Rockets

Men's: Joe Root, Rashid Khan, Alex Hales, Matt Carter, Dawid Malan, Tom Moores, Steven Mullaney, Nathan Coulter-Nile, Ben Cox, Lewis Gregory, D'Arcy Short, Luke Wood, Luke Wright, Samit Patel, Timm van der Gutgen

### Welsh Fire

Men's: Ollie Pope, Jonny Bairstow, Tom Banton, Ben Duckett, Qais Ahmad, Ryan Higgins, David Payne, Liam Plunkett, Kieron Pollard, Jhye Richardson, Jake Ball, Iain Cockbain, Josh Cobb, Matt Critchley, David Lloyd.

### The Format of The Hundred:

\*100 balls per innings \*A change of ends after 10 balls

\* Bowlers deliver either five or 10 consecutive balls

\* Each bowler can deliver a maximum of 20 balls per game[10] \* Each bowling side will get a strategic time-out of up to two and a half minutes and the teams will be able to call time-outs at their convenience. \* A 25-ball power-play start for each team \* During the power-play, only two fielders will be allowed outside the initial 30-yard circle.

\*\*The organisers have also proposed a simplified scoreboard to make it easier for the spectators on the ground as well as those watch it on television or on smartphones can easily understand what's happening in the game.

There will be eight city-based teams competing for the title over a 38-day period during the school summer holidays, which run from mid-July to early September. Each team will play four matches at home and four matches away (thereby playing their closest rival twice in a format similar to the Big Bash League), which means there will be a total of 32 games in the league that precedes the play-offs.

The play-offs will include the top three teams at the conclusion of the league stage. The top team will progress directly to the final. The second and third teams will meet in a semi-final. The semi-final and final will be played at the same venue on the same day.





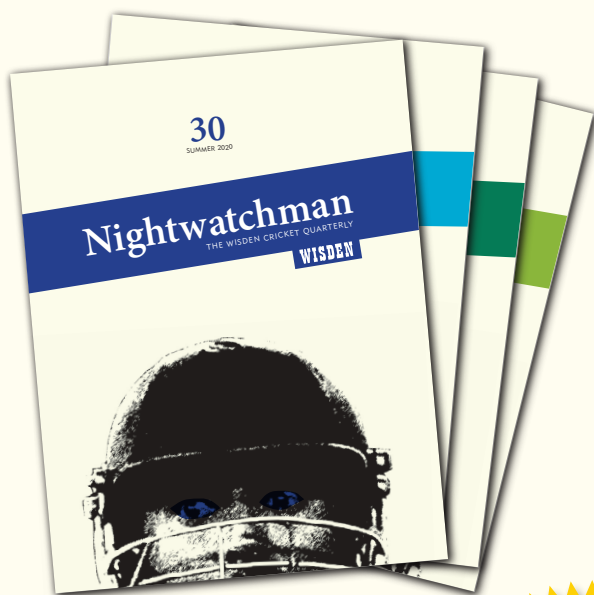
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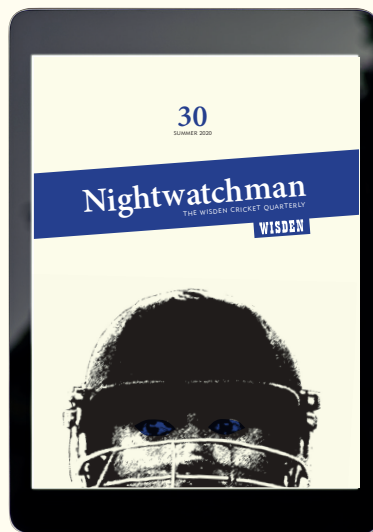
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