

PRIZE STRUCTURE

£154,300 of the £800,000 Benson and Hedges sponsorship of this event will go in prize money for teams or individuals.

The breakdown is as follows:

- The Champions will win £40,000 (and hold, for one year only, the Benson and Hedges Cup)
- For the Runners-up £20,000
- For the losing Semi-finalists £10,000
- For the losing Quarter-finalists £5,000

ADDITIONAL TEAM AWARDS

The winners of all matches in the Group stages of the Cup will receive £800.



INDIVIDUAL GOLD AWARDS

There is a Benson and Hedges Gold Award for the outstanding individual performance at all matches throughout the Cup.

These will be:

- In the Group matches £225
- In the Quarter-finals £350
- In the Semi-finals £400
- In the Final £850

The playing conditions and Cup records are on the reverse.

HOLDERS:

LANCASHIRE COUNTY CRICKET CLUB

BENSON and HEDGES CUP 1996

PRICE 40p

SUSSEX v IRELAND

AT HOVE ON SUNDAY 28TH APRIL 1996

SUSSEX

1. C W J ATHEY
2. M P SPEIGHT
3. * A P WELLS
4. K GREENFIELD
5. N J LENHAM
6. + P MOORES
7. K NEWELL
8. I D K SALISBURY
9. V C DRAKES
10. P W JARVIS
11. E S H GIDDINS

b lb wb nb Extras
Total

Runs at fall of wicket:

1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10

Bowling analysis: o m r w wb nb

IRELAND

1. S J S WARKE
2. G D HARRISON
3. S G SMYTH
4. * D A LEWIS
5. J D R BENSON
6. A R DUNLOP
7. U GRAHAM
8. R L EAGLESON
9. + A T RUTHERFORD
10. P McCRUM
11. M W PATTERSON

b lb wb nb Extras
Total

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UMPIRES: R JULIAN & R A WHITE
SCORERS: L V CHANDLER & M POWER

ADJUDICATOR:
* CAPTAIN + WICKETKEEPER

TOTAL RUNS SCORED AT END OF EACH OVER:

SUSSEX:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55
IRELAND:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55

PLAYING CONDITIONS

DURATION

One innings (each limited to 50 overs) per side.
All matches to be completed in one day if possible, but two days are allocated in case of weather interference, except for the Final for which three days have been allocated.

HOURS OF PLAY

The normal scheduled hours of play will be 11am to 6.45pm.
If, in a delayed start or interrupted match, the Umpires are satisfied that a result cannot be obtained on the first day (first and second days in the Final), Close of Play will be at 8.00pm.

INTERVALS

There will normally be two sessions of play of 3 hours 30 minutes each, separated by a single interval of 45 minutes from 2.30pm to 3.15pm. The timing and duration of the interval can be varied in situations where the innings of the side batting first is delayed or interrupted.

LENGTH OF INNINGS

- Each team shall normally bat for 50 overs unless all out earlier.
- The number of overs available to the team batting second may be reduced if that team has earlier failed to bowl its full quota of overs by the scheduled time for the interval.
- Any rearrangement of the number of overs that may be necessary in a delayed start or interrupted match will only be made on the final scheduled day of the match, and will be based on a rate of 15 overs per hour in the time available for play up to 6.45pm. Wherever possible, both teams will be given the opportunity of batting for the same number of overs. If the number of overs in the first innings is reduced, a fixed time will always be specified for the completion of its innings.

THE RESULT

A result can only be achieved in the original match (either by means of an outright win or, if the number of overs in the second innings is reduced, on the basis of average run-rate) provided that the side batting second has had the opportunity of batting for at least 25 overs. In a tied match, the team losing the lesser number of wickets shall win. If both teams are all out, the team with the higher overall scoring rate shall win. If the result cannot be decided by these criteria, the winner shall be the team with the higher score after 25 overs, or if still equal after 20 overs, or if still equal after 15 overs etc.

If at any time on the last day there is insufficient time to achieve a definite result or for the team batting second to receive 25 overs, the match will be declared void and, if possible, a new match will be started, allowing an equal number of overs per team (minimum 10 overs) bearing in mind the time remaining for play up to 6.45pm. If the rearranged match is interrupted and a result therefore cannot be obtained on the basis of an equal number of overs per team, then if possible a further match or matches can be arranged, provided always that there is sufficient time remaining before 6.45pm to allow each team to bat for at least 10 overs.

If it is impossible to achieve a result in a group league match, it shall be declared 'No Result'. In the event of no result being obtained in a knock-out match, a 'bowl-out' contest shall take place provided that circumstances (outdoors or indoors) permit. If such a contest is not possible, the result shall be decided by the toss of a coin.

POSITIONS OF FIELDERS AT INSTANT OF DELIVERY

- There must be no more than five fielders on the leg side.
- For the first 15 overs of each innings a minimum of seven fielders, plus the bowler and wicket-keeper, must be within the fielding 'circle' marked on the outfield.
- For the remaining overs of each innings a minimum of four fielders, plus the bowler and wicket-keeper, must be within the fielding circle.
- For the first 15 overs of each innings there must be a minimum of two stationary fielders, excluding the wicket-keeper, within 15 yards of the striker.
- Where the number of overs of either team is reduced, the number of overs in regard to the restrictions in (ii) and (iv) above will be reduced proportionately in a ratio of 15:50 (30%).
- If there is an infringement of any of the above restrictions, the square leg Umpire will call and signal 'No Ball'.

NUMBER OF OVERS PER BOWLER

In a 50 overs match no bowler may bowl more than 10 overs in an innings. In a match where the start is delayed and the innings of both teams are reduced, no bowler may bowl more than one fifth of the total overs allowed, except that where the total overs are not divisible by five, one additional over shall be allowed to any bowler - eg in a 33 overs match, three bowlers may bowl a maximum of seven overs and no other bowler more than six overs.

SHORT-PITCHED BOWLING

Any ball which passes, or would have passed, above shoulder height of the striker standing upright at the crease, shall be called and signalled 'No Ball'.

NO BALLS

Two penalty runs shall be awarded to the batting side for each No Ball bowled, in addition to any runs scored from the delivery.

STRUCTURE OF COMPETITION

QUALIFYING GROUPS*

GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C	GROUP D
Derbyshire	Northamptonshire	British Universities	Gloucestershire
Durham	Nottinghamshire	Essex	Hampshire
Lancashire	Scotland	Glamorgan	Ireland
Leicestershire	Worcestershire	Kent	Surrey
Minor Counties	Yorkshire	Middlesex	Sussex
Warwickshire		Somerset	

*As drawn by the Test and County Cricket Board

Each team plays the others in its group once, on a league basis, with the top two teams in each group qualifying for the Quarter-finals. The winning team in each group will have an 'automatic' home tie in the Quarter-finals and will be drawn to play one of the four runners-up.

POINTS SYSTEM FOR GROUP MATCHES

- Winning team 2 points.
- In a 'No Result' match, 1 point to each team.
- In the event of two or more teams in any group having an equal number of points, their positions in the table shall be based on the higher net run-rate achieved in all group league matches in which the side batting second is scheduled, at the start of its innings, to bat for 25 overs or more.

A team's net run-rate is its own overall run-rate in all its group league matches (ie total runs scored x 100 divided by balls received) minus the combined cumulative run-rate of its opponents in those same matches (calculated on the same basis). In the event of a team being all out in less than its full quota of overs, the calculation of its run-rate shall be based on the full quota of overs to which it would have been entitled and not on the number of overs in which it was dismissed.

NOTE: If any team has not received 25 overs or more in all its group league matches, 20 overs (then 15 overs, 10 overs etc) will constitute a match for calculation purposes only.

BENSON AND HEDGES CUP RECORDS

(Up to and including the 1995 Final, all records are for 55 over matches)

*denotes not out or unfinished

HIGHEST TOTAL

388-7 Essex v Scotland (in 55 overs), at Chelmsford, 1992.
The highest total by a side batting first and losing is 312-5 in 55 overs by Leicestershire against Lancashire (Old Trafford) 1995.
The highest total by a side batting second and winning is 318-5 in 54.3 overs by Lancashire against Leicestershire (Old Trafford) 1995.

LOWEST TOTAL

50 Hampshire v Yorkshire (in 27.2 overs) at Headingley, 1991.

BIGGEST VICTORIES

19 victories by 10 wickets have been recorded.
10 wickets Worcestershire beat Scotland at Worcester, 1995.
10 wickets Yorkshire beat Scotland at Glasgow, 1995.
10 wickets Kent beat Ireland at Comber, 1995.

NARROWEST WINS

Scores level - Surrey beat Kent (Blackheath) 1972.
Worcestershire beat Lancashire (Old Trafford) 1973.
Gloucestershire beat Surrey (The Oval) 1975.
Middlesex beat Essex in a 10 over match (Lord's) 1977.
Somerset beat Glamorgan (Cardiff) 1978.
Derbyshire beat Worcestershire (Worcester) 1984.
Derbyshire beat Northamptonshire (Derby) 1987.
Yorkshire beat Northamptonshire (F) (Lord's) 1987.
Derbyshire beat Gloucestershire (Derby) 1991.
Warwickshire beat Somerset (Taunton) 1992.
Derbyshire beat Gloucestershire (Bristol) 1993.
Leicestershire beat Warwickshire (Leicester) 1993.
Hampshire beat Combined Universities (Oxford) 1995.
Gloucestershire beat Essex (Chelmsford) 1995.
All fourteen winners had lost fewer wickets.

TIED MATCHES

Lancashire beat Worcestershire by a faster scoring rate at 30 overs (Worcester) 1986.
Middlesex beat Sussex by a faster scoring rate at 30 overs (Hove) 1990.

DECISION ON TOSS OF A COIN

Middlesex beat Gloucestershire (QF) (Bristol) 1983.

DECISION BY BOWLING AT STUMPS

Derbyshire beat Somerset 6-3 (QF) (Taunton) 1993.
Warwickshire beat Kent 5-4 (QF) (Edgbaston) 1994.

HIGHEST MATCH AGGREGATE

630 runs (for 10 wickets) Lancashire v Leicestershire (Old Trafford) 1995.

LOWEST MATCH AGGREGATE

120 (for 10 wickets) in a 10 over match, Middlesex v Essex (Lord's) 1977.
123 (for 11 wickets) Sussex v Middlesex (Hove) 1978.

RECORD PARTNERSHIPS

- 1st 252 V.P. Terry and C.L. Smith Hampshire v Combined Universities at Southampton, 1990.
- 2nd 285* C.G. Greenidge and D.R. Turner Hampshire v Minor Counties (South) at Amersham, 1973.
- 3rd 269* P.M. Roebuck and M.D. Crowe Somerset v Hampshire at Southampton, 1987.
- 4th 184* D. Lloyd and B.W. Reidy Lancashire v Derbyshire at Chesterfield, 1980.
- 5th 160 A.J. Lamb and D.J. Capel Northamptonshire v Leicestershire at Northampton, 1986.
- 6th 121 P.A. Neale and S.J. Rhodes Worcestershire v Yorkshire at Worcester, 1988.
- 7th 149* J.D. Love and C.M. Old Yorkshire v Scotland at Bradford, 1981.
- 8th 109 R.E. East and N. Smith Essex v Northamptonshire at Chelmsford, 1977
- 9th 83 P.G. Newman and M.A. Holding Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge, 1985.
- 10th 80* D.L. Bairstow and M. Johnson Yorkshire v Derbyshire at Derby, 1981.

HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL INNINGS

198* G.A. Gooch for Essex v Sussex (Hove) 1982.

BEST BOWLING FIGURES

7-12 W.W. Daniel for Middlesex v Minor Counties (East) at Ipswich, 1978.

QUICKEST VICTORY

2.12pm Middlesex beat Sussex by 8 wickets at Hove, 1978.

PREVIOUS WINNERS

1972 Leicestershire. 1973 Kent. 1974 Surrey. 1975 Leicestershire.
1976 Kent. 1977 Gloucestershire. 1978 Kent. 1979 Essex.
1980 Northamptonshire. 1981 Somerset. 1982 Somerset.
1983 Middlesex. 1984 Lancashire. 1985 Leicestershire. 1986 Middlesex.
1987 Yorkshire. 1988 Hampshire. 1989 Nottinghamshire. 1990 Lancashire.
1991 Worcestershire. 1992 Hampshire. 1993 Derbyshire.
1994 Warwickshire. 1995 Lancashire.

