



A new beginning

The ECB's premier domestic knock-out Trophy has a new sponsor, Cheltenham & Gloucester. This extends Cheltenham & Gloucester's long-standing association with the game, which includes its successful sponsorship of the hugely popular Cheltenham Cricket Festival.

The financial services company joins a competition rich in history. Dating back to 1963, when named the Gillette Cup, it has produced many memorable matches. Few will forget Warwickshire's awesome 322-run chase against Sussex in the 1993 final, or Essex's nail-biting one run win against Nottinghamshire at Lord's in 1985.

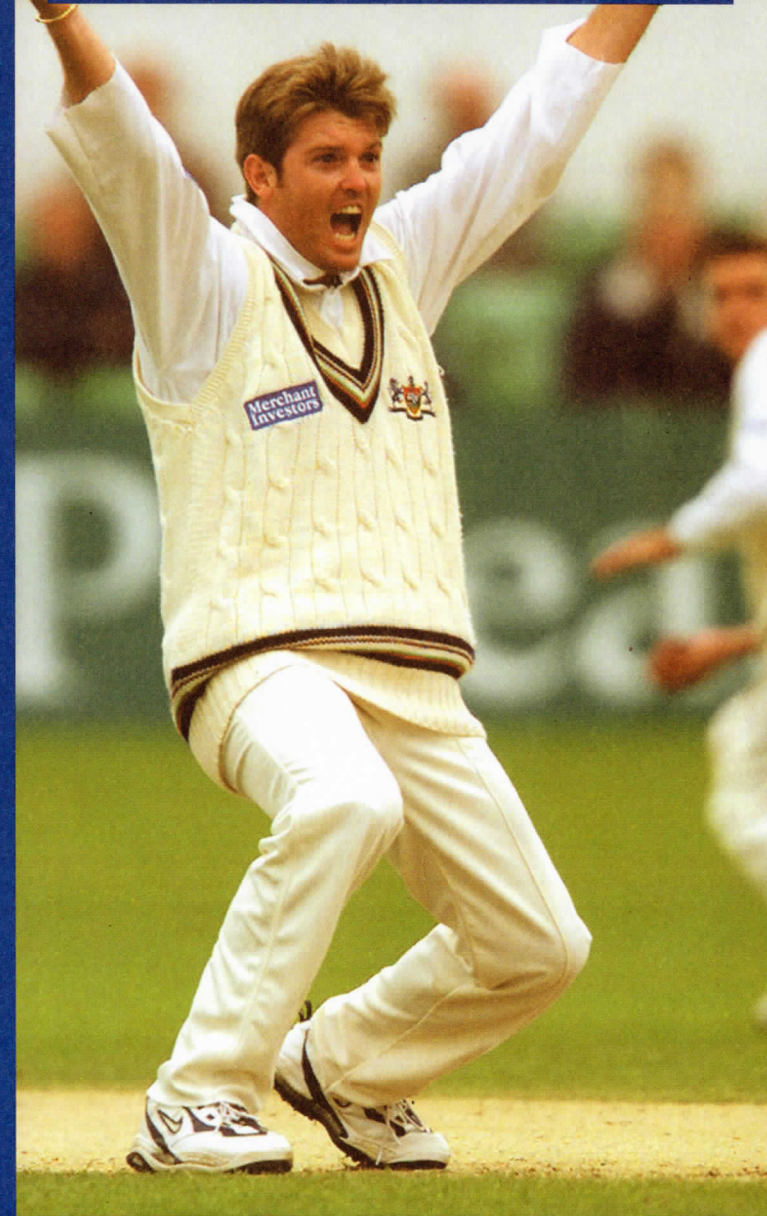
But it is Gloucestershire who dominate the domestic one-day game these days. Champions for the last two years of the NatWest Trophy, they will be looking to equal Lancashire's record of three successive competition victories - a feat which they achieved from 1970-72 - as well as becoming the first County to lift the new Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy.



The competition has changed much over its 38 years. But perhaps the most significant change has been the recent addition of non-First Class Counties, making the competition the true FA Cup of cricket.

In addition to the 18 First Class Counties, there are 38 recreational sides representing their respective County Boards. These County Boards battle against each other in rounds one

and two for the right to host a home tie against a First Class County in round three, when the professionals enter the competition. So even humble club cricketers can now dream of playing in front of a 30,000 crowd at Lord's at the end of the season!



2001 Scorecard

PLAYING CONDITIONS

The Playing Conditions for The England and Wales Cricket Board first class matches will apply except where specified below.

DURATION

The matches will consist of one innings per side and each innings will be limited to 50 overs. The matches are intended to be completed in one day, but two days have been allocated in case of weather interferences.

HOURS OF PLAY

The scheduled hours of play will be
 First Session 10.45 to 14.15
 Interval 14.15 to 15.00
 Second Session 15.00 to 18.30

INTERVAL BETWEEN INNINGS

There will normally be two sessions of play of 3 hours and 30 minutes each, separated by an interval of 45 minutes from 14.15 to 15.00. If the innings of the team batting first is completed prior to the scheduled time for the interval, the interval shall take place immediately and the innings of the team batting second will commence correspondingly earlier.

COVERING OF THE PITCH AND SURROUNDING AREAS

The pitch and surrounding areas will be completely covered in the event of rain.

LIMITATION OF OVERS BY ANY ONE BOWLER

No bowler may bowl more than 10 overs in an innings.

RESTRICTION ON PLACEMENT OF FIELDMEN

At the instant of delivery there shall not be more than five fieldmen on the leg side. For the first 15 overs of each innings, a maximum of two fielders are permitted to be outside the fielding circle. For the remaining overs of each innings, a maximum of five fielders are permitted to be outside the fielding circle.

FAST, SHORT-PITCH BOWLING

Any fast, short pitched ball which passes, or would have passed, above the shoulder of the batsman 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 other runs scored from the delivery.

WIDES

One penalty run shall be awarded to the batting side for each "wide" bowled in addition to any other runs scored from the delivery.

OVER-RATE PENALTIES

All sides are expected to be in position to bowl the first ball of the last of their 50 overs within 3 hours 30 minutes playing time. In the event of them failing to do so, the full quota of overs will be completed, and the batting side will be credited with 6 runs for every whole over that has not been bowled. This will apply to both innings of the match. If the side batting second is credited with runs in this way and this consequently takes their score past that of the side batting first, then the match shall be deemed to be won by the side batting second. If an innings is terminated before the scheduled or re-scheduled cut-off time, no over-rate penalty shall apply. If an innings is interrupted, the over-rate penalty will apply based on the re-scheduled cessation time for that innings. Penalties will apply to innings of at least 15 overs' duration.

DUCKWORTH/LEWIS

In rounds 1 and 2, revised target scores will be calculated on a basis of average run-rate. From round 3 onwards revised target scores will be calculated by the Duckworth/Lewis method.

"THE RESULT" A TIE

In the event of a tie when the Duckworth/Lewis method has not been used, the following will apply:

- The side losing the lesser number of wickets shall be the winner.
- The winner shall be the team with the highest score after 15 overs, or if still equal after 14 overs, or if still equal 13 overs etc.

TIMED OUT

The incoming batsman must be in position to take guard or for his partner to receive the next ball within two minutes and 30 seconds of the fall of the previous wicket. Failure to do so will result in the incoming batsman being timed out on appeal.

**WILTSHIRE V IRELAND**

WEDNESDAY 29th AUGUST 2001, SOUTH WILTS C C, SALISBURY
 UMPIRES: G.P. RANDALL-JOHNSON, G. RIPLEY SCORERS: S. RICE, M. POWER

WILTSHIRE

1	D.A. WINTER			
2	R.J. ROWE			
3	P.M. MARSH			
4	J.L. TAYLOR			
5	J.R. GOODE			
6	S.M. PERRIN * +			
7	P.R. DRAPER			
8	R.J. BATES			
9	M.D. COXON			
10	R.D. BEDBROOK			
11	C.R. GIBBENS			
12	P.R. BATES			

* Captain + Wkt Keeper

EXTRAS	b	lb	w	nb	
TOTAL					

F.O.W	1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	

BOWLING	O	M	R	W	WD	NB

IRELAND

1	J. MOLINS *			
2	A. PATTERSON +			
3	P. DAVY			
4	A. BOTHA			
5	D. JOYCE			
6	A. WHITE			
7	C. ARMSTRONG			
8	P. GILLESPIE			
9	D. HEASLEY			
10	P. MOONEY			
11	J. McCONIGLE			
12	A. McCOUBREY			

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First Innings (Total runs scored at end of each over):

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	

Second Innings

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	