



# HERTS OF OAK

## Shenley Village lift under-13 title for first time

**S**henley Village took the Ken Barrington Trophy back to Hertfordshire for the first time after defeating Dumblenton, from Gloucestershire, in the final of the NatWest Under-13 National Club Championship.

Finals day was held at Rugby School, Warwickshire, and featured four clubs that had never won the competition before: Shenley Village and Dumblenton being joined by Bedford and Denby from Derbyshire.

In the final Shenley Village batted first and their innings was held together by Max Delyfer with a well-made 30. Delyfer received valuable support later down the innings from Ben Werter (14) and Toby Elliott (11) as Shenley Village compiled a total of 102 all out. Will Gilderson had the outstanding figures of 3 for 18.

Dumblenton's reply crumbled in the face of some fine bowling by Ben Barry, Zahid Nasser, Toby Elliott and William Poynton, and

they quickly found themselves five wickets down. Sam Baines rebuilt the innings with the help of Archie Bailey but when Shenley Village captain Oliver White dismissed Bailey, it proved to be the decisive moment in the match.

In the semi-final Shenley Village defeated Denby thanks to a good all-round performance from their bowlers, White and Poynton each taking three wickets. For Denby, Mitchell Wagstaff made 33, but their total limped to 85 for 9.

Denby hopes rose when they removed both openers without scoring, but Elliott (29), White (21 not out) and Delyfer (18) steadied Shenley Village's nerves and they cruised home.

The other semi-final was also dominated by bowlers. Dumblenton opener Tommy Boorman reached 33 before retiring, but the Bedford bowlers impressed with Dilan Sheemar taking 3 for 9 as the Gloucestershire champions were hustled out for 73.

The Dumblenton bowlers were not be outdone with Ryan Kilmister, Myles Holland and Nick Schubach each taking two wickets, Holland conceding only four runs from his four overs. Only one of the Bedford batsmen reached double figures as they were bowled out for 60.

Shenley Village captain Oliver White was presented with the trophy by Nottinghamshire and England paceman Jake Ball. ●

## SEMI-FINALS

**DENBY 85-8**  
(Wagstaff 33; White 3-12, Poynton 3-18)

lost to **SHENLEY VILLAGE 88-5**  
(Elliott 29; Harrison 2-14)

**DUMBLETON 73 all out**  
(Boorman 33\*; Sheemar 3-9)

beat **BEDFORD 60 all out**  
(Holland 2-4)

## FINAL

**SHENLEY VILLAGE 102 all out**  
(Delyfer 30\*; Gilderson 3-18)

beat **DUMBLETON 81 all out**  
(Baines 31\*; Nasser 3-7, Elliott 2-19)



# GLORY FOR GUILDFORD

## Skipper Stephenson sees off Grange

**G**uildford underlined the developing power of their team by winning the NatWest Under-15 National Club Championship for the second time in three years, two years after winning the under-13 title. They defeated Grange, from Edinburgh, by 12 runs in the final. Finals day was held at Rugby School and the line-up was completed by Exmouth, from Devon, and Horsford, from Norfolk.

In the final, Guildford batted first and openers Will Perceval and Freddie Geffen each scored 22 before being removed by Charlie Peet, who finished with figures of 3 for 14. A crucial stand of 26 between Toby Jones and Robert Butler enabled Guildford to finish on 131 for 6.

Grange opener Tom Mackintosh started as if he was intending to win the match on his own with 36 from 23 balls before the Geffen brothers combined and he was bowled Freddie, stumped Tom.

That slowed down the Grange innings and when Guildford captain Matthew Stephenson brought himself on to bowl, he quickly took four wickets to seal the victory.

In their semi-final Guildford batted first against Horsford and thanks to a stand of 67 between Perceval and Stephenson, who made 50 not out, posted 131 for 4.

Horsford's reply started well, but Guildford's bowlers maintained their discipline. Dani Long-Martinez scored 23 and Will Hollis 29 before he was run out, leading to three further run-outs as Horsford ended on 119 for 8 and fell 12 runs short.

In the other semi-final, Exmouth put Grange in and after a sensational start the Scottish side were 6 for 3. But Grange recovered well thanks to a fourth-wicket partnership of 77 between Finlay Campbell and Charlie Peet, before Campbell was dismissed by Cameron Kidd for 37. Kidd (2-19)

also took the wicket of Charlie Peet for 43, but Grange reached 127 for 6.

Kidd hit a quick 25 in Exmouth's reply before being caught off the bowling of Freddie Peet. James Horler made a fine 50, but had to retire with one ball to go with Exmouth three runs short of their target. They were unable to get the final delivery away leaving Grange to go through by just two runs.

Yorkshire and England all-rounder David Willey presented the Harry Secombe Trophy to Guildford. ●

## SEMI-FINALS

**GUILDFORD 131-4** (Stephenson 50\*)  
beat **HORSFORD 119-8** (Hollis 29)

**GRANGE 127-6** (C Peet 43, Campbell 37; Kidd 2-19) beat  
**EXMOUTH 125** (Horler 50, Kidd 25)

## FINAL

**GUILDFORD 131-6**  
(Perceval 22, Geffen 22; Peet 3-14)

beat **GRANGE 119 all out**  
(Mackintosh 36; Stephenson 4-17)