

# Newsletter

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# Meole lead way, Ifton Impress

Meole Brace, runners-up in the last four seasons, lead the way at the top of the Flowfit Shropshire Premier League at the end of April. They've won two of their home games 10 -4 over rivals Sir John Bayley and Ifton, and the other 12-2 over Bylet, as well as winning 9-5 away at Hadley USC by 8 shots and gaining an excellent 5 at Newport. But Ifton have been the team everyone has talked about as potential champions, especially after their 14-0 opening win over returning Hanwood. They followed this up with a 10-4 win at Hadley USC, from 3-1 down, 4 winners at Meole from 6-0 down and a 12-2 home win over Wrockwardine Wood. Their home game with St Georges was called off so sit 6 points off top with that game to be played on Wednesday 4th May.

The two Wellington clubs have also impressed, both being locked on 41 points. Bowring's new signings have settled in well, and have made more since the season started with James Grimston back in the league. They led the table after week 3 for the first time in their history and have done well away getting 7 winners at Bylet and 5 at Wrockwardine Wood but just dipping out on aggregate both times. They suffered their first poor result last week in only beating Wem USC 9-5 but it's still been a good start for the team. The Bayley have quietly gone about their business, scoring three 11-3 home wins and two 4s away from home, both at tough places in Meole Brace and St Georges. St Georges had a good start to the season also, scoring three 10-4 wins, including an away opening day success at Chester Road, before suffering an unexpected 9 -5 defeat at Hadley USC.

Castlefields have really yet to get going this season but have still earned some good points, 5 at Newport and Burway, although the latter was from 3-1 up. They also earned a good 12-2 home win over Wem USC but followed that up with a disappointing 9-5 win over Chester Road. Champions Newport are still up there with despite their loss of 5 players from last season with a good 5 at Hanwood and 7 at Wem USC but then suffered a shock 13-1 loss at Chester Road, their worse result for 9 years. Chester Road have improved since their opening loss to St Georges with that win over Newport and are now moving up the table. Hadley USC provided the shock result of the season so far, winning 8-6 at Wem USC on the opening night, but didn't win again for another four games before beating St Georges at home.



Bylet have impressed after their recruitment of 4 players over the Winter, they scored a great 6 at Burway before beating Hadley USC 11-3 at home. Burway have had a quiet start with a good 4 at St Georges and Hanwood but not quite enjoying the big home wins they had last season. Wrockwardine Wood also have had a quiet start despite a 11-3 opening home win over Chester Road. The returning Hanwood have recovered well after their whitewash in the opening game, winning their home games 9-5 and 10-4 with a good 4 at Bowring too. Wem USC currently prop up the team after only recording one win in their opening 5 games, a 7-7 against Newport but their 5 at Bowring last game shows they can move up.

# **Chester Road stun Sir John Bayley**

Chester Road stunned Sir John Bayley in the 1st round of the Black Tech Ltd Alan Mayhew Trophy as they beat them by 58 overall, 22 away and 36 at home. The closest score saw Wem USC beat Wrockwardine Wood by 15, while there were wins for Bowring, Castlefields and St Georges as Burway and Ifton received a walkover and bye respectively

#### 1st Round Results:

Wem USC beat Wrockwardine Wood by 15 overall Chester Road beat Sir John Bayley by 58 overall Burway received walkover vs. Hanmer Meole Brace play Newport on 4th May St Georges beat Hanwood by 19 overall Castlefields beat Hadley USC by 49 overall Bowring beat Bylet by 28 overall Ifton received a bye

#### 2nd Round Draw:

Chester Road v Wem USC (Wednesday 4th May) Burway v Newport/Meole Brace, St Georges v Castlefields, Bowring v Ifton (Wednesday 1st June).

# **April Stats**

#### Friday 1st April

Wem USC (6) Hadley USC (8) Hadley USC won by 8
Sir J Bayley (11) Bylet (3) SJB won by 74
Cheter Road (4) St Georges (10) St Georges won by 25
Ifton (14) Hanwood (0) Ifton won by 118
Burway (10) Wrock Wood (4) Burway won by 56

#### Thursday 7th April

Bowring (10) Castlefields (4) Bowring won by 16

#### Friday 8th April

St Georges (10) Burway (4) St Georges won by 45
Meole Brace (10) Sir J Bayley (4) Meole Brace won by 27
Wrock Wood (11) Chest Road (3) Wrock Wood won by 40
Hadley USC (4) Ifton (10) Ifton won by 26
Bylet (7) Bowring (7) Bylet won by 9
Castlefields (12) Wem USC (2) Castlefields won by 62
Hanwood (9) Newport (5) Hanwood won by 59

#### Friday 15th April

Chester Road (10) Wem USC (4) Chester Road won by 14 Sir J Bayley (11) Wrock Wood (3) Sir J Bayley won by 68 Bowring (10) Hanwood (4) Bowring won by 63 Hadley USC (5) Meole Brace (9) Meole Brace won by 8 Burway (8) Bylet (6) Biurway won by 22 Newport (9) Castlefields (5) Newport won by 34 Ifton (P) St Georges (P) To be played Wednesday 4th May

#### **Thursday 21st April**

Meole Brace (10) Ifton (4) Meole Brace won by 20

#### Friday 22nd April

Wem USC (7) Newport (7) Wem USC won by 20 St Georges (10) Sir J Bayley (4) St Georges won by 36 Bylet (11) Hadley USC (3) Bylet won by 40 Castlefields (9) Chester Road (5) Castlefields won by 45 Hanwood (10) Burway (4) Hanwood won by 61 Wrock Wood (9) Bowring (5) Wrock Wood won by 13

#### Wednesday 27th April

Newport (9) Meole Brace (5) Newport won by 23

### Friday 29th April

Ifton (12) Wrock Wood (2) Ifton won by 72
Sir J Bayley (11) Hanwood (3) Sir J Bayley won by 48
Bowring (9) Wem USC (5) Bowring won by 23
Hadley USC (9) St Georges (5) Hadley USC won by 13
Burway (9) Castlefields (5) Burway won by 4
Meole Brace (12) Bylet (2) Meole Brace won by 51
Chester Road (13) Newport (1) Chester Road won by 84

#### **League Averages:**

	Pos.	Name	Team	P	W	Agg		
	1.	Aaron King	Bowring	5	5	43		
	2.	Andy Moss	Chester Road	5	5	42		
	3.	Callum Wraight	Castlefields	5	5	37		
	4.	Alex Jones	Sir J Bayley	5	5	34		
	5.	Darren Wellings	Meole Brace	5	5	33		

#### MVPs:

Aaron King and Stuart Rutter both have three MVPS with 8 players having 2.

## **Diary Dates:**

Wednesday 4th May: Alan Mayhew 1st/2nd Round

Friday 6th May: Week 6 Fixtures
Friday 13th May: Week 7 Fixtures
Friday 20th May: Week 8 Fixtures

**Sunday 22nd May:** Get Branded Merit at Bayston

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Pos	Team	Play	Won	Lost	GW	Agg	Points			
1	Meole Brace	5	4	1	38	83	46			
2	Sir J Bayley	5	3	2	35	127	41			
3	Bowring	5	3	2	35	80	41			
4	Ifton	4	3	1	34	196	40			
5	Castlefields	5	2	3	31	53	35			
6	Chester Road	5	2	3	31	-12	35			
7	St Georges	4	3	1	29	93	35			
8	Burway	5	3	2	29	-24	35			
9	Newport	5	2	3	27	-106	31			
10	Hadley U S C	5	2	3	25	-54	29			
11	Bylet	5	2	3	25	-98	29			
12	Wrockwardine Wood	5	2	3	25	-143	29			
13	Hanwood	5	2	3	22	-109	26			
14	Wem U S C	5	1	4	22	-86	24			