

POCKLINGTON

PIXIES



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The author (centre front) when he was captain of Pocklington School 1st XI in 1982. All but two have played for the Pixies (and Emma played for the Junior Pixies!)

The original 'mascot' of the first tour

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President's Foreward



The Pixies' President with his two sons, Quentin and Joel at Haywards Heath.

It is a great pleasure and a real privilege to be President of the Pixies when the 50th anniversary is being celebrated.

I am conscious of following two great men, our founder Mike Stevenson and Guy Willatt, both of whom were enormously influential in forming my attitude to the game and in establishing and maintaining the key Pixie traditions, ones which I hope will continue to be promoted: strong family involvement, playing keenly and aggressively and then socializing similarly, striving for good fielding, and most important, helping the development of school cricket at Pocklington.

There have been four others who have made essential contributions to keeping the Pixies thriving and to whom we owe a great deal.

I want to thank Roger Kirk, Malcolm Milne, David Nuttall and Sefton Cottom. I am sure there are younger members waiting in the wings to continue their work. I commend this commemorative brochure to you as a great summary of the last 50 years and one which gives a good feel about what the Pixies have come to represent.

I warmly thank Marcus Townend for his efforts.

Tim Hughes

Introduction

When Mike Stevenson enthusiastically formed The Pocklington Pixies 50 years ago in 1956, what did he hope for? Did he expect it would still be flourishing half a century later? In the interim, around 300 players have represented it against almost 70 teams and it has reached the final of a major national club competition.

Early playing records are not complete but it is safe to say that The Pixies have won more games than they have lost and

it is still turning out competitive teams, both in its native Yorkshire and on the annual tour of Kent and Sussex.

After the 1969 national club knock-out final, early member John Hughes made a plea at the club's AGM. Despite the Cup success, he urged: The Pixies should not lose sight of the initial aim of encouraging cricket at the School. It has never done that. The Pixies are a club which relies on Pocklington School to survive.

In return it affords a valuable social outlet for pupils and staff, and an even more important cricket grounding for its youngsters. For the Pixies to even conceive of lasting another 50 years, the link to the School must remain strong. That's what Mike Stevenson wanted when he created the Pixies for the benefit of the school community at large. He'd have been proud of what he achieved.

Happy 50th birthday, Pixies!

Marcus Townend

In the Beginning

The Pixies, the Pocklington Invitation XI, may have their roots firmly in East Yorkshire but they were born in North Wales.

The school's head of cricket Mike Stevenson had taken a team of mainly first teamers on tour the year before but in 1956 the then Pixies concept, based on the Rydal Dolphins from Stevenson's old school, was founded.

The place was the Marine Hotel at Colwyn Bay on Friday August 3.

Those present included Brian Moore, Mike Horner, Colin Greetham, John Rhodes, Fred Williams, John Norris, Patrick Briggs, John Berry, Ian Wise and Sefton Cottom who was to become a long-time committee member.

Accommodation was the dormitories at Rydal School and opposition included the 38th Royal Artillery Transport Regiment at Kinnel Park, the Welsh Academicals and Dr JA Bennet's XI at Tenbury Wells.

Original tourist, John Rhodes, remembers an outfield covered in cow dung at Bodedern in Anglesey, but everyone has their own special tale.

Early tourists recall Stevo avoiding the toll on the Conway Bridge by waving an empty sweet wrapper.



Many Pixies featured in the first ever game on The Memorial Field.



Breakfast (beans on toast) was taken at a Bus Station eatery which became known as the Ropy café.

There were games at Treardurr Bay and on the idyllic Llanrwst estate. The early tours were holidays for the Hughes and Johnson families and strong early teams included Patrick Briggs and Mike Rose, who both played for Cambridge.

Tim Hughes, the current club president who still accompanies the tours which his sons now play on, can lay claim to the longest tour record having attended the second as a boy. The tour remained in Wales for nine seasons but it was then switched to Sussex and Kent in the search of better quality cricket.

The strong fixture list organised by secretary Roger Kirk, which includes matches on three grounds which have been used

by Sussex and Kent, has changed remarkably little over the seasons, even if club crickets growing influence has shortened its length.

Since the early 1970s, the club secretarial role has been held by Malcolm Milne. His hard work through occasional difficult years has ensured the club has survived and thrives today.

One club constant has been treasurer David Nuttall, the successor to Mike Stevenson. As head of cricket at Pocklington School, he maintained Stevo's ethos about the game and has quietly and responsibly held the clubs purse strings throughout its existence.



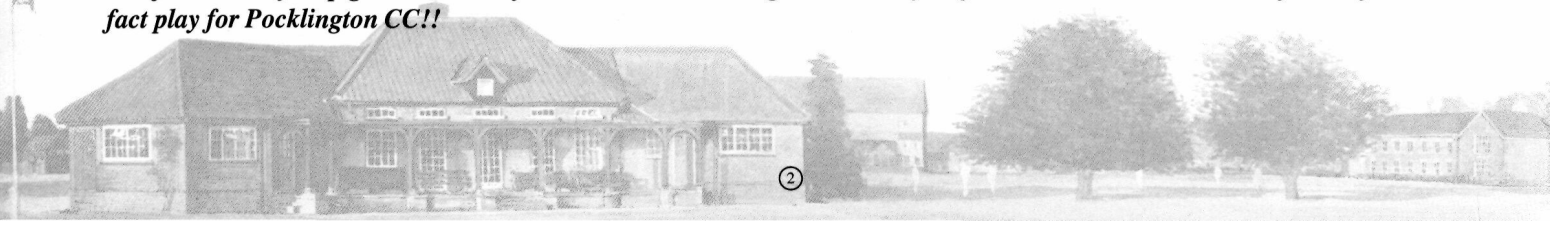
Early North Wales tourists at Llandudno.



Four of the first tourists at the Founder Dinner 1956. (all held 1st XI colours!) including Patrick Briggs on the right - the first Pixies centurion.



The first Worsley Cup game at Burnby Lane in 1988 resulting in a rare defeat for the Pixies. David Nuttall front left did in fact play for Pocklington CC!!



The Founder - Mike Stevenson

If Michael Harrison Stevenson had three overriding qualities, they'd be listed as enthusiasm, enthusiasm and enthusiasm. Whether tackling his teaching and journalism or simply sorting out the runners and riders for his Saturday's yankee, Stevo oozed natural exuberance often attributed to his Irish roots.

But his true passion was sport and, in particular, cricket.

That zest for the game was not a cover for a lack of ability. Mike had played with and against some of the best and, occasionally, got them out.

A contemporary in the early fifties of England players Peter May, Hubert Doggart, David Shepherd, Raman Subba Row, John Dewes and John Warr at Cambridge, he batted five in a formidable line-up.

He could proudly recall picking up the wicket of first-class debutant Brian Close at Fenner's in 1949 against a team which featured two more first-timers, Fred Trueman and Frank Lowson.

A first-class career saw him play for his University, Derbyshire, the county of his birth, and Ireland.

His records show that in 66 first-class games he took 50 wickets with his slow left arm bowling and scored almost 2,500 runs. But his recollections were always full of humour with tales of camaraderie.

When he had the 17-year-old Phil Edmonds, the future England spinner and a teenager who had scored 11 consecutive fifties, caught third ball at extra cover at Ashford, Mike typically made sure reports mentioned his first ball had sailed over mid-on for six and lulled the youngster into a false sense of security before succumbing to a pusillanimous delivery.

Working life after Cambridge had begun at Bromsgrove Prep School before he arrived at Pocklington in 1955.

Reports suggest he made an explosive impact on both school and town.

The four-time cricket blue and accomplished rugby player also used the acting and singing talents he had displayed as a member of the Cambridge Footlights. Teaching English and Drama, his boundless energy led to a plethora of productions and he also collaborated with Head of Music, Sefton Cottom, another original Pixie and long-time club committee member, on projects including a pageant to celebrate the School's 450th anniversary.

But it was at cricket that he made the most impact.

Mike had been recruited to oversee the sport generally and, in particular, coach the

this time to Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Blackburn.

That was not his last teaching appointment, as he was finally lured back to Rydal, once again with a brief to improve the school's cricket after he had initially been used as a sounding board for suitable candidates. All the time, his writing was becoming a more time consuming occupation and when he joined Rydal it was only on the understanding that his work would not interfere with his rugby reporting.

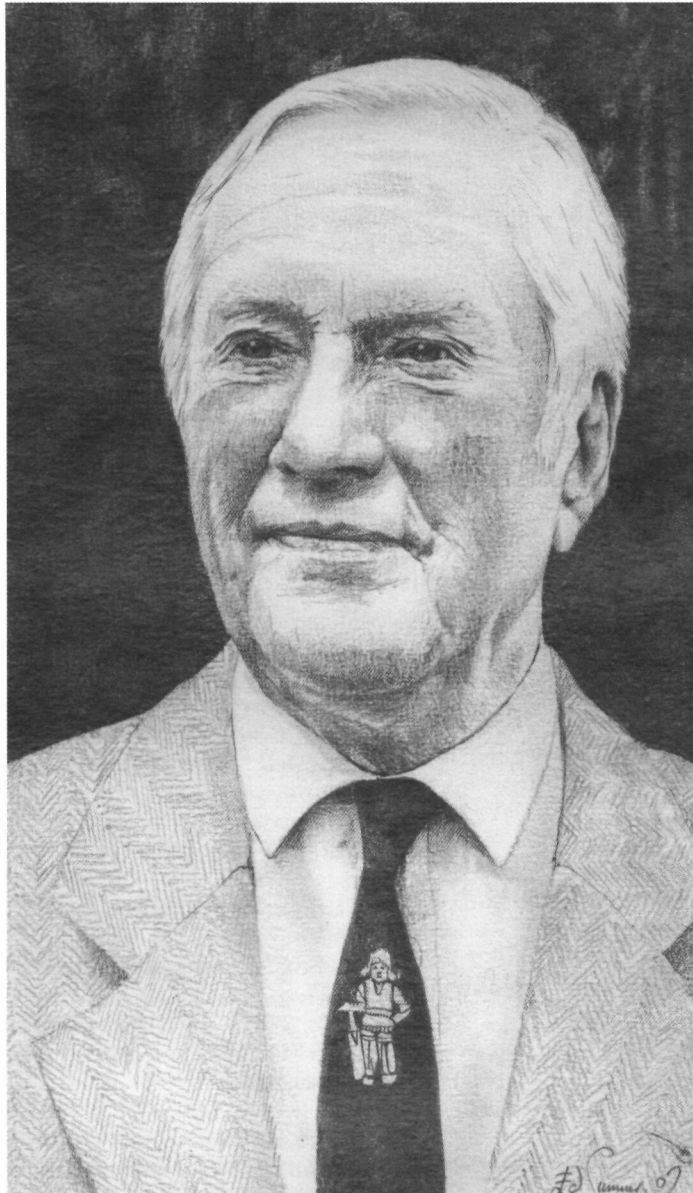
The journalism had started at Pocklington when he wrote pieces for the Yorkshire Post.

But Mike also contributed to papers as diverse as the Daily and Sunday Telegraph and News Of The World. His reporting extended to internationals although he ended as the schools rugby correspondent for The Times. At one match he had to file copy to seven papers, furiously writing while wife Bidy read over the stories in those pre-computer days.

Rugby World, Rugby News, The Cricketer and The Dalesman were some of the magazines that published his work and he also wrote two books, a History of Yorkshire Cricket which he dedicated to his many Pixie friends and a biography of the county's England captain Ray Illingworth.

When Mike died in 1994, aged 67, he still retained that original zest that had characterised his life.

Few cram so much living into their days and in The Pixies he has a legacy which, 50 years on, shows no signs of stopping.



The work of Ed Summer (O.P.) commissioned in 2002 by the Secretary as part of his gift from the Pixies.

first eleven.

The game under him was never dull and boring. Technique mattered but was not everything and the school flourished under his stewardship.

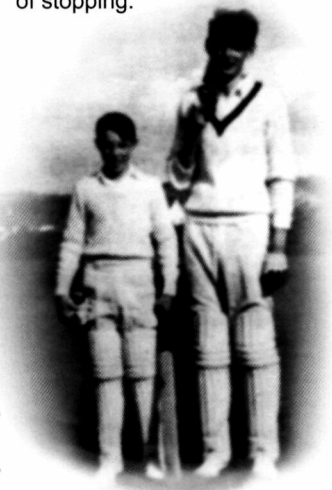
It was in the summer of 1956 that his idea of The Pixies was born.

As a boy he had attended Rydal School in North Wales and that school had its own related team called the Rydal Dolphins.

With a squad of boys, teachers, former pupils and friends of Pocklington, the Pixies evolved along the same lines after they were officially founded on August 3, 1956, at a dinner held at the Marine Hotel in Colwyn Bay, North Wales.

By 1967, Mike was on the move again

Colin and Malcolm Johnson - not related! A favourite picture of the founder.



The Players



Leading run scorer Tom Eadon has to umpire this game in 1981 and watches leading wicket taker Tim Hughes in action.



Andrew Inns facing the centre along with Andrew Kirby (left), Phil Priestley and Iain Gladstone were all part of the only 100% tour which was in 2003



Phil Balderson at Marden.

In 50 seasons, some outstanding players have both represented the Pixies and played against them.

The outstanding playing record for the club is held by president Tim Hughes.

Despite incomplete early records, he is the club's leading wicket taker and a figure of 298 victims underplays his real achievements.

A member of the 1969 national club knockout side, he is a former captain of both the British and English Universities sides and went on to play for Durham when they were still a minor county.

Only Malcolm Milne has played in more games (164) and when the lost fixtures are considered the difference may be negligible.

Top Pixies' run scorer is recorded as former teacher and prolific innings builder Tom Eadon. His 3,354 included six centuries.

Current players Andy Inns and Phil Balderson may eventually overhaul him but their records will include many more matches.

Other renowned Pixies have been:

Mike Brearley, the Cambridge, England and Middlesex inspirational captain.

Guy Willatt, a former Pixies' president and school headmaster who captained Cambridge University and Derbyshire in a distinguished first-class career.

Colin Johnson, a member of the 1969 Pixie cup finalists who made 100 first class appearances for Yorkshire.

Mike Rose, who played for Cambridge and made 31 appearances for Leicestershire.

Patrick Briggs, a Cambridge, Bedfordshire and Cheshire player with 21 first class matches.

Roger Middleditch, who represented Suffolk colts.

Scott Boswell, who represented Leicestershire and Northamptonshire in 22 first-class matches.

Quentin Hughes, who captained Cambridge.

John Nuttall, who made nine first class appearances for Oxford University.

Derek Morgan, a stalwart of Derbyshire, and **Noel Mahoney**, who was in the Ireland team.

Andrew Fox, a teacher at the school who played for the Cheshire side which enjoyed one-day success over Northants in the 1980s

And not forgetting founder **Mike Stevenson**. In 66 first-class games for Cambridge, Derbyshire, Ireland and the MCC he scored 2,467 runs and took 50 wickets.

Among the well known players to have faced the Pixies is **Peter Richardson**, a 34 test player with Worcestershire and Kent, plus Ashford's Kent batsman **Alan Ealham** and his England all-rounder son **Mark**.

England seamer **Alan Igglesden** played for Holmesdale against a Pixies touring team.

Eastbourne have been represented by another England pace bowler in **James Kirtley** and his England A Sussex county colleague **Mike Yardy** plus Indian test batsman **Eknath Solkar**.

Haywards Heath professionals to have played the Pixies included South African all-rounder **Meyrick Pringle** while **Nicky Phillips**, a future Sussex and Durham off-spinner, was a youngster at Hastings.

Others to have faced the Pixies include **Denis Atkinson**, a West Indies test captain whom played for Gray-Nicolls on the south east tour, **Frank Lawson** of Yorkshire and England, and **Tony Clarkson**, who played for Somerset and Yorkshire.

England and Middlesex spinner **Phil Edmonds** played for Ashford.

Lancashire and England stars **Paul Allott** and **Graeme Fowler** were members of the Durham University Sunday XI, **John Wright** of New Zealand and Derbyshire played for Holmesdale and **Bruce Davison** of Zimbabwe and Leicestershire and Middlesex's South African **Sam Black** were in the Hampstead team which contested the 1969 Cricketers Cup final.

The Big Game



The Pixies at Edgbaston 1969.

The Pixies have lasted for 50 years but if they survive for another 500 they will never surpass their biggest match, Edgbaston, September 13 1969. If anyone outside East Yorkshire has heard of the Pixies, it will be because of this day when they took on Hampstead, then as now one of the top sides in London, in the final of the Cricketer National Club Knockout.

A talented team of players from a rural market town all with some tie to its major school, together they were probably the strongest 11 the club has ever fielded. They played their way through seven rounds and came tantalisingly close to collecting the Derrick Robins Trophy, a prestigious prize which was to become the coveted FA Cup of club cricket.

The Pixies were certainly perceived as final underdogs, faced with a Hampstead team which had only once been bowled out in the competition.

In reaching the final, Hampstead had routed most of their opponents. Gore Court had got to within 29 runs but sides like Ealing (213 runs), Finchley (7 wickets), Chingford (8 wickets) and semi-final opponents Maidenhead & Bray (149 runs) had been thrashed.

Their powerful batting ranks contained three blues, Goodfellow, Metcalfe and

Mike Willard plus a skipper, Nick Alwyn, who had been denied that honour by a broken toe.

Augmenting that talent was Bruce Davison, a powerful Zimbabwe-born bat destined for first-class county cricket with Leicestershire, and the forthright South African all-rounder Sam Black.

The Pixies were no slouches. In captain Mike Stevenson and Guy Willatt they had two senior players with first-class experience.

Colin Johnson had already played for Yorkshire and Paul Jackson was a hard-hitting bat for York.

Tim Hughes had captained the Universities Athletic Union side and was to play for Durham when they still competed in the Minor Counties competition.

Roger Middleditch had represented Suffolk colts while both Roy Flitton and Ian Bird played for Yorkshire League side Doncaster. Dave Rose (Cleckheaton), Alasdair Swann (Woodhouse Grange) and Malcolm Milne (Beverley) were all experienced club cricketers.

Yet E.W. Swanton, one of the games most influential writers, later reported that it was a lost toss that was possibly the most significant factor in a match which left the Pixies most seriously

disadvantaged.

Bowling first, after a delayed start, they restricted Hampstead to 191 off the penultimate ball of their reduced 40 over allocation.

In reply, they fell 14 short but Swanton wrote in his Daily Telegraph column:

'The Old Boys of this Yorkshire school were particularly unlucky losers of the toss since they had to bowl half the innings with a wet ball and fielding in the morning was a slippery business.

Pocklington acquitted themselves admirably before, in appalling light, the middle fell out of their batting.'

Skipper Mike Stevenson, who could never have conceived of such an occasion when he founded The Pixies 14 years earlier, had his side well drilled in the field, as the opening bowlers Flitton, who took three wickets, and Tim Hughes gave little away.

But that was not surprising as Swanton observed that: 'In charge of school cricket, he had coached all but one, apart, of course, from the venerable headmaster, Guy Willatt, former captain of Cambridge and Derbyshire.'

But Hampstead ground out runs, with Alwyn giving them a solid start, his off-side hitting impressing in particular as he

made 34 before Hughes had him caught by Colin Johnson.

Ian Bird's left-arm spin accounted for the dangerous Davison but the innings which set up victory for Hampstead came from Black.

His knock included two immense sixes over extra cover, before Flitton ended his innings one short of a 50.

Swanton reckoned: 'Wise men offered long odds against Pocklington beating 191 in 40 overs in light ever worsening.

But at half-way and at 78-1 they were not sure, with Willatt and Johnson at the wicket the headmaster pacing his innings to perfection and running like a two year old.'

But a flurry of wickets in the face of a devastating spell of medium pace from Willard, left them 106 for 7.

Malcolm Milne and Bird, with some spirited hitting, kept the score moving but balls were running out and the rate edging up.

When Black bowled Milne for 20, the great cup run was over and the man of the match award for Johnson poor consolation.

But the magnitude of the 1969 cup run should never be underestimated.

Four hundred clubs had applied to take part in the

competition and 260 chosen.

In reaching the final, The Pixies had overcome Catterick Services, Tong Park, Steel, Peech and Tozer, Durham City, Formby and Worksop-based semi-finalists Steetley.

Willatt had scored 50 three times in the qualifying sequence, in which Patrick Briggs and Chris Woodhead also made significant contributions.

It was perhaps ironic that the loss of the toss was seen as so significant because the fall of the coin had seriously favoured The Pixies when the weather had prevented them playing powerful first-round opponents, and future competition winners, Scarborough.

Amazingly, the lucky spin was conducted over the telephone, with Scarborough captain Geoff Dennis telling Stevenson he had called correctly.

When the two sides finally met it was in the following season's second round tie at Pocklington. Former Yorkshire player Bill Foord took 6 for 16 as The Pixies slumped to a lowest ever 30 and 10-wicket defeat.

The Pixies continued to enter the competition and in 1973 were defeated by York in the regional final.

A change in the rules requiring entrants to have full weekend fixture lists from 1977 meant The Pixies were no longer eligible to enter.



Colin Johnson receives the Man of the Match award from M.J.K. Smith. Sefton Cottom, a founder, to the left of the bat looks on.

Scorecards from The Big Game

Hampstead

N Alwyn *ct Johnson b Hughes* 34
 A Goodfellow *ct Swann b Flitton* 6
 S Metcalfe *run out* 32
 B Davison *b Bird* 18
 C Black *b Flitton* 49
 M Willard *b Stevenson* 1
 D Peck *ct Swann b Flitton* 10
 F Munro *b Middleditch* 11
 K Henderson *b Rose* 9
 P Blazey *run out* 1
 R Laurie *not out* 0
Total 191

Bowling

Flitton 7 0 25 3
 Hughes 7 0 20 1
 Rose 5 0 23 1
 Bird 7 0 48 1
 Stevenson 7 0 28 1
 Middleditch 6.5 0 27 1

Norman Flitton's immaculate Scorecards

THE CRICKETER NATIONAL CLUB KNOCK-OUT FINAL 40 OVERS

HOME CLUB: HAMPSTEAD CRICKET CLUB V VISITORS: EDGEMOON

ON 13th AUGUST 1969

BATS MEN	TIME IN	TIME OUT	RUNS SCORED	SCORING RATE PER 100	HOW OUT	BOWLER	C. CLUB	
							ON 13 th AUGUST 1969	TOTAL
1 N ALWYN	11/38	11/52	34	100	BOWLED	HUGHES	34	100
2 A GOODFELLOW	11/38	11/44	6	150	CT SWANN	FLITTON	6	150
3 S METCALFE	11/44	11/76	32	72	RUN OUT	BIRD	32	72
4 B DAVISON	11/76	11/94	18	225	BOWLED	FLITTON	18	225
5 CTR BLACK	11/94	11/104	49	100	BOWLED	FLITTON	49	100
6 M JL WILLARD	11/104	11/104	1	25	BOWLED	STEVENSON	1	25
7 DA PECK	11/104	11/114	10	250	BOWLED	FLITTON	10	250
8 FFC MUNRO	11/114	11/124	11	275	BOWLED	MIDDLEDITCH	11	275
9 K W HENDERSON	11/124	11/134	9	225	BOWLED	ROSE	9	225
10 P M LAURIE	11/134	11/134	0	0	RUN OUT	NOT OUT	0	0
11 R N LAURIE	11/134	11/134	0	0	NOT OUT	NOT OUT	0	0

EXTRAS: 0
 TOTAL: 191
 FOR 10 WKTS

SCORER: C. FLITTON

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

BOWLERS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	NO BALLS	WIDES	BALLS OVER	MON. OVERS	RUNS	WKTS	AVG	CLUB
1 C. FLITTON	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	43	7	-	25	3	83.3	C. CLUB
2 J. HUGHES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	43	7	-	20	1	20.0	C. CLUB
3 DA ROSE	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	5	-	23	1	23.0	C. CLUB
4 S. BIRD	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	7	-	48	1	48.0	C. CLUB
5 M. STEVENSON	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	7	-	28	1	28.0	C. CLUB
6 R. P. MIDDLEDITCH	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	7	-	27	1	27.0	C. CLUB

THE CRICKETER NATIONAL CLUB KNOCK-OUT FINAL 40 OVERS

HOME CLUB: POCKLINGTON CRICKET CLUB V VISITORS: EDGEMOON

ON 13th AUGUST 1969

BATS MEN	TIME IN	TIME OUT	RUNS SCORED	SCORING RATE PER 100	HOW OUT	BOWLER	TOTAL
1 G L WILLATT	11/38	11/58	40	100	BOWLED	WILLARD	40
2 P M JACKSON	11/58	11/78	17	225	CT BLACK	WILLARD	17
3 C JOHNSON	11/78	11/98	43	100	LBW	DAVISON	43
4 M STEVENSON	11/98	11/118	1	25	BOWLED	WILLARD	1
5 DA ROSE	11/118	11/138	0	0	BOWLED	DAVISON	0
6 M G MILNE	11/138	11/158	20	250	BOWLED	BLACK	20
7 T J HUGHES	11/158	11/178	0	0	BOWLED	WILLARD	0
8 I S BIRD	11/178	11/198	33	75	BOWLED	BLAZEY	33
9 J A SWANN	11/198	11/198	10	250	NOT OUT	NOT OUT	10
10 R P MIDDLEDITCH	11/198	11/198	0	0	BOWLED	BLAZEY	0
11 C R FLITTON	11/198	11/198	0	0	NOT OUT	NOT OUT	0

EXTRAS: 13
 TOTAL: 177
 FOR 9 WKTS

SCORER: C. FLITTON

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

BOWLERS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	NO BALLS	WIDES	BALLS OVER	MON. OVERS	RUNS	WKTS	AVG	CLUB
1 CTR BLACK	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	43	7	-	34	1	34.0	C. CLUB
2 P M BLAZEY	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	5	-	30	2	15.0	C. CLUB
3 K W HENDERSON	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	7	-	22	-	-	C. CLUB
4 M JL WILLARD	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	7	2	26	4	6.5	C. CLUB
5 R N LAURIE	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	7	-	30	-	-	C. CLUB
6 B DAVISON	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	7	1	22	2	11.0	C. CLUB

Pocklington

G Willatt *b Willard* 40
 P Jackson *ct Black b Willard* 17
 C Johnson *lbw Davison* 43
 M Stevenson *b Willard* 1
 D Rose *b Davison* 0
 M Milne *b Black* 20
 T Hughes *b Willard* 0
 I Bird *b Blazey* 33
 A Swann *not out* 10
 R Middleditch *b Blazey* 0
 R Flitton *not out* 0
Total 177 for 9

Bowling

Black 7 0 34 1
 Blazey 5 0 30 2
 Henderson 7 0 22 0
 Willard 7 2 26 4
 Laurie 7 0 30 0
 Davison 7 1 22 2

The Pixie Dinners

One of the most amazing aspects of the club has been the quality of the guest speakers which have graced its annual dinners.

Few major organisations could have attracted the cast list that The Pixies commanded particularly in the 1970s.

Pixie guests have appeared in excess of 7,000 first-class games and accumulated over 400 test caps.

Together, they would have formed a formidable test team and the very mention of some of their surnames - Bailey, Carr, Cowdrey and May - is to delve into the history of the modern game.

In all six Wisden cricketers of the year have spoken at Pixie dinners.

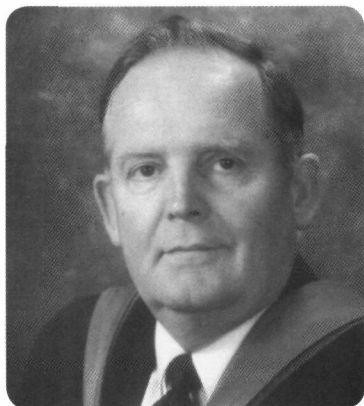
Having a founder in Mike Stevenson whose Cambridge University connection brought him into contact with some of the sport's most illustrious figures obviously helped.

Guy Willatt's link to Derbyshire was another asset when it came to attracting some truly iconic figures to rural East Yorkshire.

Some productive networking by Roger Kirk at the 1969 Edgbaston Cricketer Cup final also established a link to the Warwickshire club while Tim Hughes, Tony Pickering and Mike Stones have also been responsible for securing speakers.



Roger, Mike and Guy with guest speakers Trevor Bailey and Noel Kay.



Tony Pickering our second President.

The illustrious cast is a far cry from the much simpler initial gatherings.

They came on the club's tours to north Wales in the Mount Royal Hotel in Rhos-on-Sea when, according to Mike Stevenson's Old Pocklingtonian reports, the entertainment often came via the inventive speaking skills of the Pixies' John Rhodes, although guests of honour included former Glamorgan player Arthur Creeber.

The dinners were often followed by a midnight swim in the sea and one year John Berry lost his false teeth on the beach, only for a team search to find them next morning.

But the success in the Cricketer Cup deserved greater recognition and, as the club developed along more formal lines, a celebratory dinner seemed appropriate to mark the team's achievement.

To set the tone for subsequent gatherings, the dinner was attended by not one but two former England captains, Donald Carr and Mike Smith.



Members – pre dinner.



MHS and members.



THE SPEAKERS

1970.

DONALD CARR: Made his first-class debut in the 1945 Victory match against the Australians. A right-hand bat who played for Oxford University, Derbyshire and two tests for England.

MJK SMITH: The bespectacled pragmatic batsmen who gained a reputation as an unselfish captain of Warwickshire and England in half of his 50 tests. The 1960 Wisden cricketer of the year and an England rugby cap, Mike's son Neil also went on to represent county and country.

1971.

DOUG INSOLE CBE: The 1949 captain of Cambridge who went on to skipper Essex and vice captain his country which he represented nine times. A Test selector for 19 years as well as being chairman of the TCCB during the destabilizing Kerry Packer crisis.

1972.

TREVOR BAILEY: The Alderman of Radio 4's Test Match Special team. Trevor Bailey, who played for Cambridge University, Essex and England, was a remarkable cricketer with 682 first-class appearances and 61 tests, before carving out a successful media career. He was Wisden's cricketer of the year in 1950.

1973.

NEIL HAWKE: The South Australian was plying his trade in the Lancashire League when persuaded to pitch up for the Pixie dinner. In 145 first-class matches he played for his state and country plus Tasmania and Western Australia and his swing bowling brought him 27 test caps.

1975.

RONNIE BURNET OBE: The last of Yorkshire's amateur captains. Brought in as a stabilizing influence for a side split by factional interests, he survived two seasons and ended Surrey's championship domination in the latter. A quarter of a century later forced, and failed, to solve the crisis surrounding Geoff Boycott's opposition at the county.

1976.

ALAN OAKMAN: The Roger Kirk recruiting skills paid off when Warwickshire's coach came to speak. Oakman filled

that role for 17 years after a playing career that spanned 538 first-class matches and two tests, including Manchester in 1956 when Jim Laker spun his way to 19 Australian wickets.

1977.

SIR COLIN COWDREY: One of the best known names in English cricket with a 114-match test career that spanned two decades. Just short of 700 first-



Mike and Guy with guest speaker Doug Insole and Malcolm Heath

class matches yielded 43,000 runs for the man who was playing for Kent seconds at 16, became the first to make 100 test appearances and captained his country 27 times.

1978.

LESLIE DEAKINS: The Warwickshire connection paid off again with the the cricket club's long-time secretary.

1979.

COLIN INGLEBY-MACKENZIE: It was the work of club president Guy Willatt that saw the man who made 343 first-class appearances for Hampshire speak.

1980.

MIKE COWAN: In 99 first-class games and nine years as a Yorkshire fast bowler, he shared the new ball with Freddie Trueman and toured Pakistan before becoming a commentator on Yorkshire TV.

1981.

DAVID LLOYD: A true cricketing all-rounder. Captain of Lancashire, test match player, England coach, first-class umpire and a TV commentator.

1982.

PETER MAY: The 'beau ideale' of English cricket. The bare statistics of 388 first class and

66 test matches, hardly do him justice. Picked for Cambridge in 1950, he scored 227 against Hampshire and strolled into a Surrey team which never lost a county championship between 1952 and 1958. Captain of England in 41 tests, he would have almost certainly become the first player to score a hundred 100s since WG Grace if he hadn't quit when apparently disillusioned in 1959.

1991.

KIM BARNETT: Derbyshire captain by the time he was 22 in 1983, a post he held until 1995. The Wisden cricketer of the year in 1989, he made over 26,000 first-class runs and ended his county career at Gloucestershire after internal feuding made him leave Derbyshire. After retiring in 2002, he subsequently played in the North Staffs/South Cheshire league where he created a record in 2004 by striking nine consecutive sixes, a feat not yet matched by a Pixie despite numerous efforts.

1995.

HUBERT DOGGART: A contemporary of Mike Stevenson at Cambridge University, Doggart spoke at the first dinner after the club founder's death. A stylish middle-order bat, he captained both his university and Sussex in a 210-match first class career that included two tests. Hit 215 not out on his first-class debut against Leicestershire in 1948. Subsequently headmaster at King's School, Bruton, he was also an MCC president.

2001.

RICHARD HUTTON: had an impossible act to follow as the son of one of the icons of the game, Sir Len Hutton. Yet he still managed five tests and 281 first-class games with his all-round skills. Yet another who became involved in a Boycott-inspired feud at Yorkshire which he left in 1974. After he stopped playing spent time as editor of The Cricketer magazine.

1983.

TONY LEWIS: The face of the BBC's cricket coverage in the 1990's. Also excelling at rugby, he was a double blue at Cambridge. Skipper of Glamorgan, Lewis remains the last player to captain England on his test debut, A president of the MCC.

1986.

BOB PLATT: The Yorkshire medium pace bowler who made 101 first-class appearances.

1985.

JOHN HAMPSHIRE: After scoring a century in his test debut against the West Indies in 1969, he was promptly dropped and only enjoyed a spasmodic test career thereafter. But in county cricket he was a mainstay of the Yorkshire team, which he skippered for two seasons, before moving to Derbyshire in a 577-match first-class career. After playing became established as a top umpire.

1987.

PETER PARFITT: Wisden's cricketer of 1963 and a renowned slip fielder for

In addition to the famous names, Pixie dinners have been addressed by KARL KRIKKEEN, the former Derbyshire wicketkeeper, JOHN WILCOX, the England rugby union international who was a teacher at Ampleforth, renowned public speaker and Remnants CC player PETER LEE and MALCOLM HEATH, who played for Scarborough and Hampshire.

A Family Affair

Almost as closely woven into the history of the history of The Pixies as founder Mike Stevenson is the Hughes family.

John Hughes was one of the club's original players while son Tim, whom played minor counties cricket for Durham and captained both the English and British University side, is the side's most outstanding all-rounder.

In their turn Tim's sons Quentin, who earned his Blue by skippering the Cambridge University side for two seasons, and Joel, the younger but equally talented sibling, both made early Pixie debuts and have developed into major contributors to the modern side.

However, they will struggle to emulate the feat of their father and grandfather who took all 10 wickets between them against Llandudno in 1961.

They skittled the home side, which included subsequent Pixie regular Mike Manson for 126 with Tim taking 6-62 and John 4-21 off 17 miserly overs.

The Pixies won the match by four wickets with Patrick Briggs scoring 33 and Peter Johnson 48.

To make the day even more memorable, the performance was witnessed by John's wife Tuppence on their silver wedding anniversary and daughter Jane was the match scorer.

Llandudno

M. Manson	bowled J Hughes	13
R Humphreys	ct Scott bowled T Hughes	7
K Johwes	bowled J Hughes	6
P Greenwood	lbw J Hughes	4
R Bower	bowled J Hughes	27
D Williams	bowled T Hughes	20
S Pounder	lbw T Hughes	6
S Williams	c&b T Hughes	10
A Johnson	not out	11
E Goldspink	ct Johnson bowled T Hughes	11
R Williams	ct Stevenson bowled T Hughes	2
Total	126	

Bowling

P Briggs	10	4	25	0
T Hughes	15.4	2	62	6
J Hughes	17	7	21	4

20 Pixie Facts You May Not Know



1. At the first Pixie dinner in 1956 a mascot of a disappointed china pixie riding on the back of a triumphant duck was adopted.

2. Two Philip Wilkinsons, father and son, were early team members of The Pixies. They are grandfather and father of England's rugby union world cup hero and fly half Jonny.

3. The Worsley Cup played annually between The Pixies and Pocklington CC was named after Oliver Worsley, a past president of the town's club, whose father Sir William Worsley, captained Yorkshire CCC in the 1920's.

4. England captain and inspirational Ashes winning leader Mike Brearley once opened the batting for The Pixies at Bridlington.



Mike Brearley

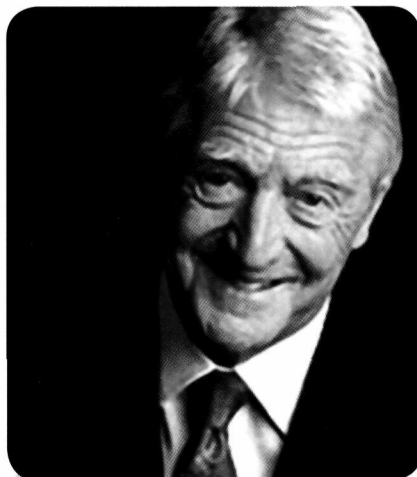
5. The team The Pixies have played the most is Kent-based Holmesdale. The two sides have met 40 times in completed matches.



Paul Jackson

7. The record score by a Pixie is the 159 hit by Paul Jackson in only 113 balls against Ashford in 1986.

8. Chat show king and cricket fan Michael Parkinson agreed provisionally to speak at a Pixie dinner but a suitable date when he



Michael Parkinson

was available could never be agreed.

9. The basic accommodation cost of the 1965 eight-day tour of Sussex and Kent was £7.

10. Originally just The Pixies, it was decided to add Pocklington in after the cup run of 1969 to help with national recognition and show links to the school.

11. Phil Balderson hit a remarkable 110 in 57 balls at Haywards Heath in 1990. It included 11 sixes, including six in seven balls and helped him overtake Marcus Townend (104) who had scored over 90 when Balderson came to the wicket.

12. Malcolm Milne is the player who has represented the Pixies most, starting in 164 games. However, that figure would probably be challenged by Tim Hughes if his records of his early games survived.

13. Even with his lost matches, Tim Hughes is the most prolific wicket taker with 298 recorded victims.

14. Tom Eadon, former Maths teacher at Pocklington School and Head of Junior School Lyndhurst, is the batsmen with the most recorded runs, 3,354.

15. In the 1973 National Club Knockout challenge when the side were beaten by a Paul Jackson-inspired York in the regional final, the Pixies were captained by Derek Morgan, a veteran of 556 first-class matches who was a selector for Derbyshire CCC after playing for the county.

16. Ian Wise, who became a radio rugby commentator after he was overheard describing Hull City games to a blind friend and recommended to the BBC.

17. The first century scored by a Pixie was by Patrick Briggs on the north Wales tour of in 1958 There is no record of his precise score.

18. Remarkably the 2003 tour is the only one with a 100% winning record.

19. Television football commentator Jon Champion has played for the Pixies, as has Ralph Ineson, who played Finchy in the cult Ricky Gervais BBC comedy The Office



Ralph Ineson

20. The three-day week of the 1970s was given as a reason at one AGM as to why Pixie caps had not been delivered.



Welcome Stranger

Pixie Data Bank



The following club statistics have been compiled from a mixture of old scorebooks, newspaper cuttings and Old Pocklingtonians. Inevitably, they are not complete and early records are patchy. As a result some player's records are not a true reflection of their club career. Where possible they have been marked with an asterix. Secretary Roger Kirk (pictured left) was responsible for a more formal administration of the club and it is due to his efforts that much of this book's facts have been preserved.

Completed Match Records

	PI	W	L	D
Ashford	30	18	8	4
Holmesdale	40	20	13	7
Eastbourne	32	18	3	11
Marden	29	12	6	10+(1 tie)
Haywards Heath	32	16	8	8
Hastings	19	9	5	5
Harvel	22	13	1	7
League of Gents	10	4	1	5
Pocklington	24	12	4	7+(1 tie)
Men of Derwent	15	8	3	3+(1 tie)
Beverley	25	12	10	2+(1 tie)
Scarborough	3	0	3	0
Rye	9	4	2	3
Sheffield Collegiate	1	0	1	0
Guisborough	3	1	2	0
Pickering	2	2	0	0
Durham Hornets	7	0	1	6
Durham City	2	2	0	0
York	1	0	1	0
Steel, Peech & Tozer	1	1	0	0
Formby	1	1	0	0
Steeley	1	1	0	0
Hampstead	1	0	1	0
Thorne Colliery	1	1	0	0
Gray-Nicolls	1	0	1	0
Malton	2	2	0	0
Tong Park	1	1	0	0
Catterick	1	1	0	0
Civil Service	1	1	0	0
Whitwell	1	0	1	0
Altofts	1	0	1	0
Yorkshire Gents	4	2	1	1
Cleethorpes	1	0	1	0
Settle	3	3	0	0
Durham University	1	0	1	0
Marske	1	0	1	0
Pedagogues	2	1	1	0
Woodleigh OB	1	1	0	0
Seaford Seagulls	3	1	2	0
Pevensy & Westerham	2	2	0	0
Tonbridge	6	5	0	1
Llandudno	8	4	2	2
Linden Park	3	2	0	1
Guy Willatts XI	1	0	0	1
31/38 RATR (Kinmel Park)	5	3	2	0
Welsh Academicals	1	0	1	0
Dr JA Bennett's XI	1	1	0	0
Bacup	3	2	0	1
Colwyn Bay	5	4	1	0

	PI	W	L	D
Bangor	3	2	1	0
Treaddur Bay	2	2	0	0
Donald Hughes XI	2	1	0	1
Boderdern	5	5	0	0
Hightown	3	0	1	2
Public Schools XI	3	3	0	0
St Asaph	2	1	1	0
North Wales Borders	2	1	1	0
D Milne's XI	1	0	1	0

	PI	W	L	D
Llandudno's President XI	1	1	0	0
A J McAlpine's XI	2	0	1	1
Penrhiweiber	1	1	0	0
Londesborough Park	1	1	0	0
Yapham	1	1	0	0
Saints	1	0	1	0
York Nondescripts	1	1	0	1
York Diocesan Clergy	1	0	0	1
Denbigh	1	0	0	1



The 1968 tourists at Towbridge



The 1972 tourists at Rye.



Pixie Playing Records

Player	Games	Runs	Wkts
Chris Aldred	55	1209	8
Ronny Alexander	10	194	0
David Allison	44	455	0
Martin Allison	87	144	203
Richard Aram	3	0	2
Simon Atherton	5	83	4
Tony Atkin	13	25	25
Matthew Atkinson	43	1090	1
Paul Baines	8	108	0
Matt Baker	23	531	5
Phil Balderson	112	2705	100
Nigel Bartram	34	32	0
Mike Beaumont	16	296	7
Paul Beaumont	1	0	4
Bill Bell	5	18	8
Chris Berry*	6	84	0
John Berry*	5	25	0
Steve Beynon	2	15	1
Andy Billington	90	1032	7
Jim Billington	28	145	23
Rob Billington	2	0	3
Russ Bilton	30	604	36
Ian Bird*	22	337	45
Jason Blakey	3	80	0
Bill Blows*	2	0	9
Bill Bodycombe	41	724	0
Jack Bolam	8	169	14
Graham Boore	4	0	2
Richard Booth	5	49	4
Scott Boswell	8	64	7
Rob Bradley	2	39	0
Dave Briggs	117	1528	11
Patrick Briggs*	20	714	16
Paul Briggs*	2	49	0
Richard Brooks	2	1	1
Martin Brown	1	2	0
Richard Brown	43	489	38
Alistair Brumfield	22	515	4
Phil Brumfield	5	30	4
Peter Buckley	3	4	2
Mike Burdett	10	261	0
Walter Burns	14	188	3
James Burnet	1	13	1
John Burrans	25	60	54
Mark Burton	55	888	52
P Burton	1	17	0
George Byass	8	9	6
Paul Chambers	4	2	0
Jon Champion	4	12	1
Nigel Charlesworth	45	338	58
Clive Clark	1	55	1
Simon Clarke	14	454	0
Dan Clappison	1	0	0
Andrew Coates	1	14	0
M Colquhoun	1	8	2
Dave Conner	1	27	0
Mike Conner	1	17	0
Richard Cox	47	380	55
Brian Cowell	2	7	2
Martyn Craven	3	8	8
Peter Craven*	1	0	0
Ian Crockatt	15	19	0



Mark Burton (left) at Benenden in 1972. Nineteen years later, he scored a century in the Worsley Cup, the first for either side. Graham Inchboard is in the centre and David Allison is ready to keep wicket.



The Pixies at the new ground in Ashford for the first time in 1990.



The Pixies at Haywood Heath in 1993 after totalling 287 for 5.

Player	Games	Runs	Wkts
Tim Crockatt	10	72	2
Dave Crowe	5	27	0
Glynn Davies	2	102	1
Owen Davies	2	6	1
Martin Davies	1	0	0
Tony Dale	2	2	4
Russ Day	17	397	3
Richard Dewing	1	9	1
Jonny Dixon	1	10	0
Sam Dodds	4	8	5
Julian Dodsworth	1	0	0
John Driver	9	91	13
Mike Dunham	1	29	0
Tom Eadon	98	3354	5
Peter East	2	0	3
Geoff Edmunds	9	6	24
Tim Edmunds	4	0	3
Diccon Edwards	3	48	0
Dave Ellinor	40	509	7
Jim Etty	7	134	0
Greg Everest	5	287	0
P Fairbrass	1	24	2
Roy Flitton*	28	52	52
David Freebody	1	0	0
Andrew Fox	5	79	7
Russell Gaines	1	3	0
Phil Gilbank	1	8	0
Dave Gilbertson	6	116	2
Gordon Gildener	1	1	2
Ian Gladstone	24	142	21
Chris Gladstone	30	375	0
P Goodwin	5	73	2
Andrew Gowthorpe	1	24	0
Charles Guillen	2	5	2
Jeff Guillen	9	124	5
Peter Hackney	3	1	0
Nick Hadfield	2	60	0
David Hall*	4	52	0
Johnny Hall	18	31	8
Simon Hall	2	18	1
Peter Halliday	3	9	0
Malcolm Harrison	70	848	125
A Haynes	1	26	0
Chris Haynes	9	91	0
Johnny Haynes	5	72	1
Eddie Heppel	1	0	1
David Hill	1	0	0
Nick Hobbs	2	0	2
David Holloway	1	3	0
B Holmes	1	9	0
James Hopwood	8	140	0
Sean Houltham	11	296	4
Karl Howard	1	24	0
Joel Hughes	40	941	38
John Hughes*	6	0	31
Tim Hughes*	136	2231	298
Quentin Hughes	37	1148	50
Richard Hunter	27	292	20
Graham Inchboard	43	142	56
Ralph Ineson	1	1	0
Andy Inns	109	2776	53
Dan Izzard	1	0	1

Player	Games	Runs	Wkts
Adam Iyer	13	187	13
Vinod Iyer	1	0	0
Paul Jackson	64	2093	0
Richard Jenkins	1	12	0
Nathan Job	5	32	4
Richard Jones	2	20	2
Colin Johnson	45	1545	43
Malcolm Johnson*	14	95	24
Peter Johnson*	22	597	0
Steve Johnson	43	603	61
Andy Kirby	1	2	0
Roger Kirk	33	172	11
James Lang	15	374	4
Simon Langthorn	1	16	1
Rob Larard	1	5	1
Graham Laws	3	45	0
Matt Lindley	1	0	0
Ben Macintosh	10	162	7
Noel Mahoney*	3	75	0
Johnny Mansfield	1	12	0
Mike Manson	47	769	0
Bruce Masson	1	28	0
Fred Mason	4	8	2
James Mathers	4	136	1
George Marsden*	2	100	0
Mark Maurice	1	38	1
D Mayhew	2	27	3
David Mays	2	0	1
John McGregor	25	331	14
Roger Middleditch*	15	42	19
David Milne	1	8	0
Malcolm Milne	164	2710	88
Robert Milne	16	214	0
Peter Milne	4	19	0
Henry Mitchell	19	305	3
Sandy Mitchell	9	54	10
D Moody*	1	0	2
Brian Moore*	1	0	8
Joey Moore	52	614	43
Derek Morgan	4	134	1
Paul Mouncey	5	175	6
Steve Mouncey	8	211	2
Mervyn Myers	16	50	16
Paul Neesom	1	2	0
Tim Nettleton	6	154	0
Mike Newhouse	45	740	111
John Norris*	7	29	0
Richard Norgrove	5	40	2
David Nuttall	51	353	43
John Nuttall	43	155	36
Richard Nuttall	37	1019	1
David O'Gram	1	0	0
Dave Osbourne	1	19	0
Richard Owen	9	43	3
Nigel Owen	3	7	0
Nigel Pagliaro	1	24	0
Chris Parker*	2	0	5
Mick Parkhill	1	0	0
Dave Parsons	3	7	0
Roger Peet*	14	212	6
Andrew Pettinger	2	35	1
Tony Pickering	2	14	2
Miles Picknett	63	1547	28
Phil Priestley	13	203	0
James Rawes	4	60	3



Ronnie Alexander who fell seven short of a century at Haywards Heath in 1993.



The Pixies versus Hastings at Rye, (the county 2nd XI were playing Norhants 2nd XI at Hastings)

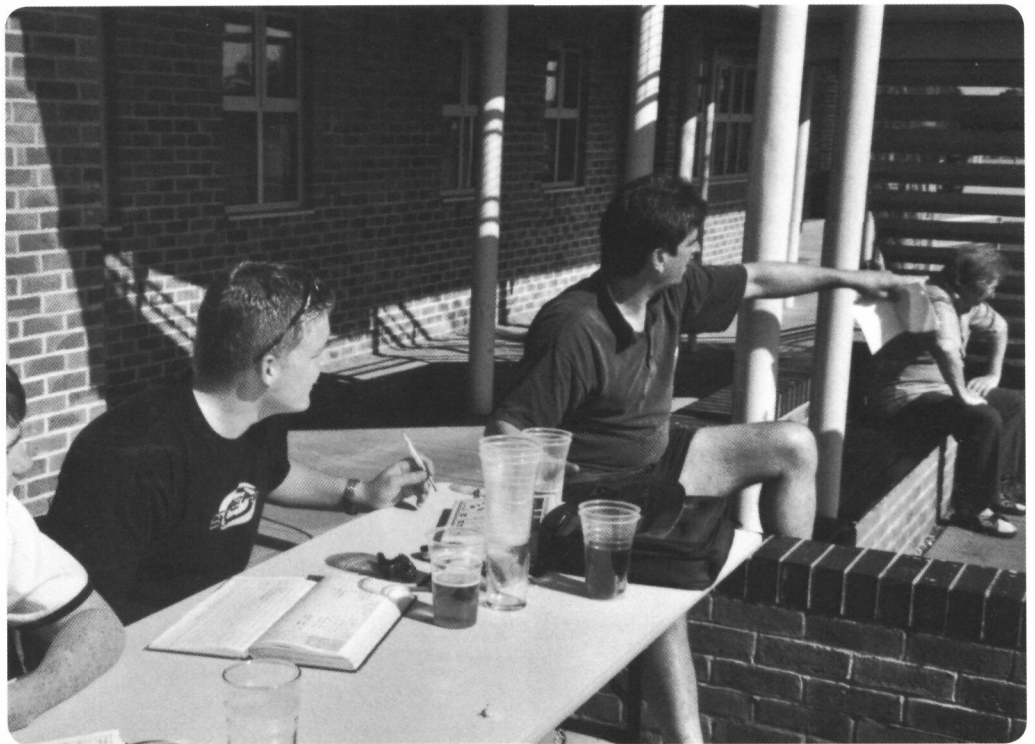


The 2004 tourists with Neil Readman at the front after his 97 not out. He swears he was denied his place on the list of Pixie centurions by 'false information' from the Secretary/Umpire!

Player	Games	Runs	Wkts
Mark Readman	67	91	74
Neil Readman	50	1015	11
Richard Readman	1	7	0
Dave Reed	2	0	0
John Rhodes*	14	363	0
Charlie Rook	16	307	12
Mark Robinson	3	2	0
Stewart Robinson	1	0	0
Howard Rose*	9	234	1
Dave Rose*	18	288	59
Mike Rose*	10	243	7
Peter Russell	1	0	0
Bill Sayburn	3	41	2
Keith Savage	1	0	2
Tim Scott	1	0	0
Guy Seaborn	6	117	0
Alistair Shanks	2	7	1
Roger Shaw*	7	36	0
Nathan Shultz	5	88	4
Mike Seales	1	0	1
Edward Simpson	1	0	0
Lloyd Singleton	1	0	1
Gordon Singer*	9	38	0
Kevin Smith	5	238	3
Rob Smith	59	712	30
David Solomon	1	15	0
Chris Southwell	73	1767	0
Richard Southwell	10	42	15
Richard Spreckley*	4	11	0
Adrian Stabler	1	0	0
Matt Stacey	21	414	20
David Stanton	4	19	0
Tim Stephenson	8	26	0
Mike Stevenson	61	1611	154
Gavin Stewart	11	103	7
Andy Stillwell	1	15	4
Roger Stirk*	8	66	0
Mike Stones	58	988	2
Dave Stroughair	5	4	8
David Suddaby	7	80	7
Alasdair Swann	30	407	0
Martin Swann	2	22	2
Chris Talago	2	8	3
John Taylor	1	1	0
Mark Taylor	1	2	0
Richard Taylor*	9	68	0
Tom Taylor	69	584	0
Dave Timm	1	71	5
Marcus Townend	67	1432	0
Paul Townsend	3	20	0
D Thomson	1	12	0
Nick Thompson	41	571	0
Richard Thompson	15	231	0
Graham Thurlow	18	15	19
Dave Tinson	14	270	4
Paul Van Dijk	31	336	10
M Wachtel	1	4	0
Richard Wade*	10	104	0
Mel Walker	12	81	20
Alan Wardle*	4	76	0
Peter Watson*	2	0	5
Dave Watton	3	10	1
Dick Whaley	5	227	0
Derek Whilesmith	3	47	0
Jon White	1	8	0

Player	Games	Runs	Wkts
A Whitehead	1	0	1
Carl Wilks	2	29	0
Guy Willatt	33	605	9
Simon Wilson	15	84	17
Philip Wilkinson*	5	25	7
Phil Wilkinson*	14*	43	29
Ben Williams	1	0	0
Fred Williams*	1	41	0
Tim Woollias	5	2	3
Alistair Wood	16	162	23
Chris Wood	4	151	0
Dave Wood	12	154	3
Gerry Wood	1	0	0
Marcus Wood	24	556	25
Alistair Woodhead	47	411	41
Chris Woodhead	43	720	0
Phil Woodliffe	3	137	2
Giles Woodruff	42	184	36
Malcolm Woodruff	107	1322	60
David Wolstenhome	1	0	0
John Young	3	5	1

Pixies without recorded playing statistics: Richard Capper, Sefton Cottom, D Eyre, Michael Horner, Eddie Hurst, Brian Kirby, Peter Train, Ian Wise.



Three different generations, Henry Mitchell, Andrew Billington and Malcolm Woodruff.

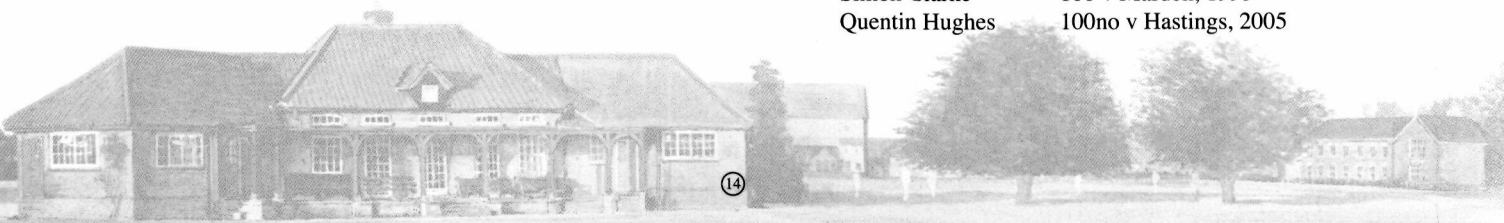
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John Burrans.

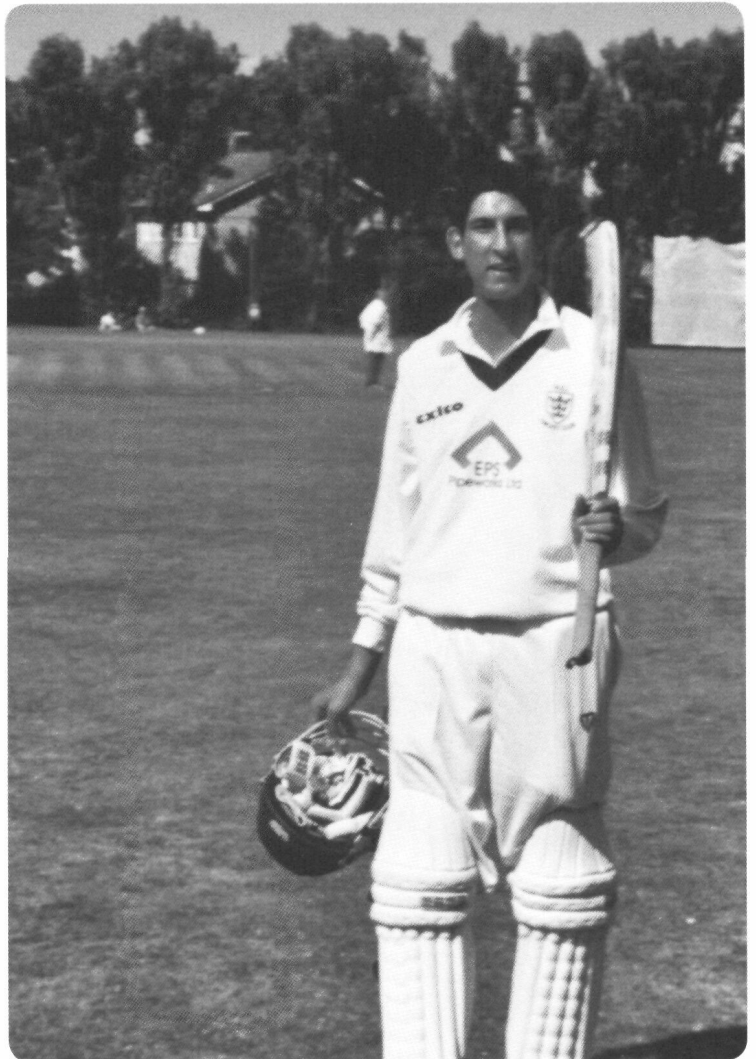
Batting

Paul Jackson	159 v Ashford, 1986
Matthew Atkinson	152 v Holmesdale, 1995
Andy Inns	150 v Holmesdale, 1998
Marcus Wood	138no v Ashford, 1992
Chris Southwell	132 v League of Gentleman, 1975
Tom Eadon	125 v Holmesdale, 1983
Tom Eadon	125 v Durham Hornets, 1982
Quentin Hughes	124 v Eastbourne, 1998
Richard Nuttall	122 v Pocklington, 1985
Matthew Atkinson	114 v Eastbourne, 2002
Matt Stacey	111no v Holmesdale, 2001
Phil Balderson	110no v Haywards Heath, 1990
Patrick Briggs	110 v Trearddur Bay, 1962
Andrew Billington	110 v Beverley, 1990
Tom Eadon	110 v League of Gentleman, 1981
Andy Inns	109 v Beverley, 1998
Adam Iyer	109 v Haywards Heath, 2005
Tom Eadon	108 v Pocklington, 1980
Quentin Hughes	108 v Pocklington, 1995
Mark Burton	107 v Pocklington, 1991
Patrick Briggs	106no v Public School XI, 1961
Kevin Smith	106 v Men of Derwent, 1992
Marcus Townend	106no v Haywards Heath, 1990
Colin Johnson	105no v Ashford, 1971
Mike Beaumont	104 v Ashford, 1995
Andy Inns	103 v Eastbourne, 2000
Richard Nuttall	102no v Haywards Heath, 1984
Tim Hughes	102 v Haywards Heath, 197
Paul Jackson	102 v Men of Derwent, 1981
Chris Southwell	102 v Pocklington, 1977
Tom Eadon	101 v Marden, 1982
Tom Eadon	101 v Harvel, 1981
Simon Clarke	100 v Marden, 1995
Quentin Hughes	100no v Hastings, 2005



Bowling

Geoff Edmunds	8 for 23 v League of Gentlemen, 1977
Mike Stevenson	8 for 28 v Donald Hughes XI, 1957
Brian Moore	8 for 31 v RATR, 1956
Mel Walker	8 for 32 v Haywards Heath, 1980
Malcolm Milne	8 for 87 v Tonbridge, 1965
Mike Newhouse	8 for 96 v Pocklington, 1991
John Hughes	7 for 6 v RATR, 1957
Martin Allison	7 for 11 v Harvel, 1976
Tim Hughes	7 for 30 v Rye, 1966
Ian Bird	7 for 36 v Bangor, 1959
Mike Stevenson	7 for 46 v Bacup, 1957
Tim Hughes	7 for 50 v Ashford, 1970
Ian Bird	7 for 59 v Haywards Heath, 1965
Mike Newhouse	7 for 64 v Beverley, 1985
Martin Allison	6 for 15 v Harvel, 1977
Martin Allison	6 for 16 v Eastbourne, 1982
Dave Rose	6 for 18 v RATR, 1960
Mike Stevenson	6 for 36 v Colwyn Bay, 1961
Martin Allison	6 for 25 v Eastbourne, 1978
Mike Newhouse	6 for 25 v Haywards Heath, 1986
Martin Allison	6 for 32 v Harvel, 1980
John McGregor	6 for 32 v Rye, 1973
Colin Johnson	6 for 36 v Harvel, 1970
Russ Bilton	6 for 43 v Marden, 1987
Mark Burton	6 for 44 v Harvel, 1973
Martin Allison	6 for 48 v Haywards Heath, 1978
Quentin Hughes	6 for 51 v Holmesdale, 2004
Martin Allison	6 for 52 v Pedagogues, 1984
Tim Hughes	6 for 53 v Llandudno, 1962
Ian Bird	6 for 54 v Bacup, 1959
Steve Johnson	6 for 55 v Ashford, 1975
Malcolm Milne	6 for 58 v Marden, 1991
Tim Hughes	6 for 62 v Llandudno, 1961
Jim Billington	6 for 68 v Marden, 1995
Malcolm Harrison	5 for 2 v Pocklington, 1983
Tim Hughes	5 for 5 v St Asaphs, 1964
Sam Dodds	5 for 6 v Pocklington, 1987
Alistair Wood	5 for 8 v Holmesdale, 1998
Bill Blows	5 for 9 v York Diocesan Clergy, 1959
Mark Readman	5 for 20 v Men of Derwent, 1983
Nigel Bartram	5 for 21 v Pocklington, 1975
John Driver	5 for 22 v Yorkshire Gents, 1980
Colin Johnson	5 for 22 v Pocklington, 1989
John Norris	5 for 22 v Trearddur Bay, 1957
Phil Wilkinson	5 for 22 v Londesborough Park
Phil Balderson	5 for 25 v Holmesdale, 1987
Mike Newhouse	5 for 25 v Beverley, 1987
Miles Picknett	5 for 26 v Marden, 2005
Mike Stevenson	5 for 27 v Bodedern, 1959
Mark Readman	5 for 28 v Pocklington, 1985
Malcolm Woodruff	5 for 28 v Harvel, 1981
Dave Timm	5 for 29 v Holmesdale, 1995
Malcolm Harrison	5 for 31 v Men of Derwent, 1985
Malcolm Harrison	5 for 31 v Hastings, 1988
Martin Allison	5 for 32 v Eastbourne, 1977
Mike Stevenson	5 for 35 v Llandudno, 1957
Martin Allison	5 for 37 v Durham Hornets, 1982
Mike Newhouse	5 for 37 v Pocklington, 1998
John Nuttall	5 for 37 v Pocklington, 1986
Mike Newhouse	5 for 38 v Beverley, 2001
Jack Bolam	5 for 39 v Holmesdale, 2005
Mark Readman	5 for 40 v Marden, 1979
John Norris	5 for 41 v Llandudno, 1957
John Burrans	5 for 42 v Holmesdale, 2001
Alistair Woodhead	5 for 43 v League of Gentleman, 1974
Tim Hughes	5 for 44 v Hastings, 1982



Adam Iyer at Haywards Heath, the youngest Pixie to score a 100. (2005)



Jonathon Hall produced a record of each club's results and special individual performances which were presented after each game on the 50th Tour.



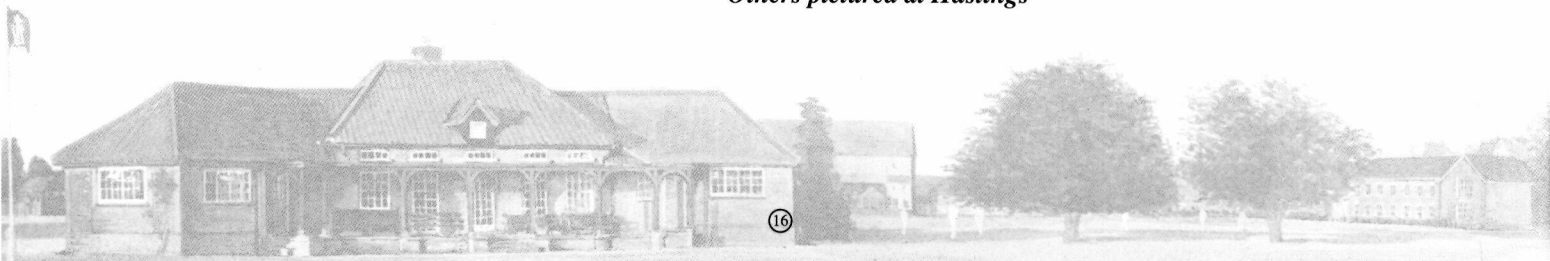
A total of 21 players represented the Pixies on the 50th Tour, some pictured here at Haywards Heath.

Bowling (continued)

Mike Newhouse	5 for 44 v Holmesdale, 1986
Tony Atkin	5 for 46 v Holmesdale, 1974
Malcolm Harrison	5 for 48 v Beverley, 1984
Mike Rose	5 for 48 v Llandudno, 1959
Martin Allison	5 for 50 v Durham University, 1976
Richard Brown	5 for 51 v Haywards Heath, 1997
Richard Cox	5 for 52 v Pocklington, 1990
Dave Rose	5 for 52 v Tonbridge, 1966
John Norris	5 for 53 v Llandudno, 1959
John Burrans	5 for 55 v Eastbourne, 1998
Mark Readman	5 for 55 v Harvel, 1983
Malcolm Harrison	5 for 56 v Marden, 1983
Mike Newhouse	5 for 57 v Holmesdale, 1984
Peter Watson	5 for 60 v Hightown, 1963
Mike Newhouse	5 for 64 v Eastbourne, 1986
John Burrans	5 for 66 v Holmesdale, 2000
Mark Burton	5 for 67 v Marden, 1975
Tim Hughes	5 for 68 v Ashford, 1979
Giles Woodruff	5 for 68 v Haywards Heath, 2003
Adam Iyer	5 for 69 v Marden, 2004
Martin Allison	5 for 82 v Pedagogues, 1983
Malcolm Harrison	5 for 101 v Ashford, 1991
Marcus Wood	5 for 105 v Haywards Heath, 1988



Others pictured at Hastings





1961 Team Photo at Colwyn Bay



The 81 Tourists at Ashford before the first ever defeat there!



The 71 Tourists at Ashford when Colin Johnson scored 105 n.o.



The 2002 Tourists leave the field after victory at Haywards Heath



One of the best fielders on the County circuit unfortunately just misses this time



The 1999 Tourists who gained a 'winning draw' at Hastings



The 2002 Tourists at Ashford





Where it all began for most of the Pixies. The Pavilion, like the Pixies, is also 50 years old. The above is a painting by Ed Summer (O.P.), commissioned by the Secretary, gifted by the members' cash presentation to him at the 2001 dinner.