

## Warsop T20

As reigning champions, Chelmsford would have hoped to win their group and attend Finals Day. In the summer of rubbish weather, they might have to settle for being unbeaten.

All three matches against the group rivals were abandoned. The fixtures at Great Waltham and at home to Stock and Old Chelmsfordians all fall victim to the weather.

There is also one game played against a team from another group, and it was Maldon for Chelmsford. Although it was raining as the team travelled there, a game did at least take place, even if it was 24 hours after the scheduled fixture.

Although briefly threatened by Maldon's overseas player, the game was won fairly competently. The tally of 10 points and net run rate of +1.7 is unlikely to be enough to win the group.

### Report & Scores

#### Wednesday 27 June

Played at Drapers Farm

Chelmsford	138-7
Maldon	104-8

(Chelmsford won by 34 runs)

Despite a lull late in their innings and some useful batting from Maldon's New Zealander Glenn, Chelmsford achieved a decent win.

Rob Hayto and Jack Sterland gave the innings a decent start with Sterland giving real impetus before an overconfident shot ended his innings at 23. Hayto gave the innings some backbone but struggled to find his timing. On a large wet playing field, it was difficult to find the boundary and the running left something to be desired.

With Hayto (41) and Miles Clark (18) at the crease, a score of around 160 looked possible but both fell and the innings rather foundered. Foster's (3-19) slow leg spin bamboozled the batsmen and when he took wickets in successive balls, there was a danger of only posting around 125.

Sensible batting and positive running from Chris Drain, James Clifford and Aaron Beard gave the score a boost in the closing two and a half overs to reach 138.

James Clifford picked up a wicket in the first over of the chase but this only served to bring Glenn to the crease. Hayto removed the other opener but some fine shots from Glenn ensured that Maldon were on track.

The game was shaping up to be a contest in which one man could win the game for the home side. Hayto had to throw the ball to his fifth bowler and to utter shock, Alistair Fergus cleaned out Glenn for 32.

From there, the Chelmsford bowling attack did a good job and Maldon were never really in the game. Fergus (3-13) picked up two more wickets, Clifford (2-22), Hayto (2-16) and Beard one each and the score was restricted to 104.