

1760

DOVER *versus* WEST KENT MILITIA

Played at Dover on Wednesday, July 9th, 1760.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Played for 10/6 per man.

DOVER *versus* WEST KENT MILITIA AND FOLKESTONE

Played at Dover on Monday, August 4th, 1760.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Played for a guinea a man.

GENTLEMEN OF TENTERDEN AND HIGH HALDEN *versus* GENTLEMEN OF RYE AND BREDE.

Played at Tenterden on Tuesday, August 5th, 1760.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

SHEPHERDSWELL, BRIDGE AND BISHOPSBOURNE *versus* CANERBURY, CHILHAM AND CHARTHAM

Played on Bridge Hill, near Canterbury on Tuesday, August 5th, 1760.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

1761

BEST XI OF ESSEX *versus* XI MEN OF KENT

Played at the 'Crown', Billericay on Saturday, June 27th, 1761.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Wickets pitched at 1.00pm.

CHERTSEY (with Piper, Sears and Woods) *versus* DARTFORD

Played at Laleham Burway on Wednesday, July 1st, 1761.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

The Chertsey given men were William Piper, Charles Sears and Thomas Woods. "Great sport is expected as they are accounted as good 22 men as any in England." [Whitehall Evening Post]

CHATHAM *versus* LEEDS

Played in Mr. Louch's field, Chatham on Monday and Tuesday, August 3rd and 4th, 1761.

Scores unknown.

LEEDS WON.

DARTFORD (with Faulkner and Durling) *versus* XXII OF ESSEX

Played on Thursday, September 3rd, 1761, venue unknown.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

This is thought to have been the first match played against the odds.

ASHFORD, WYE AND DISTRICT *versus* DOVER

Played at Boughton Leeds, near Eastwell Park on Monday, September 28th, 1761.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Played "... for 2/6 a man. Wickets pitched at 2: to play one hand apiece and go to dinner."

GENTLEMEN OF TENTERDEN AND HIGH HALDEN *versus* GENTLEMEN OF MARDEN.

Venue and date unknown, 1761.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Played for a crown a man.

1762

KENT *versus* SURREY

Played at Carshalton on Monday, July 19th, 1762.

Scores unknown.

MATCH DRAWN.

The match ended abruptly because of a dispute over a catch claimed when Surrey were ahead by 50 or so runs in the first innings. "...from words they came to blows, which occasioned several broken heads, as likewise a challenge between two persons of distinction : the confusion was so very great, that the betts were all withdrawn."

Contemporary newspaper reports suggest that the Stake was £100 each side though it was reported that bets of "thousands" were made.

ASHFORD *versus* CANTERBURY

Played at Ashford on Wednesday, August 11th, 1762.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

KENT *versus* LONDON

Played in the Artillery Ground on Monday, August 30th, 1762.

Scores unknown.

LONDON WON BY 8 WICKETS.

The match was completed in one day. "Played eleven-a-side for a considerable sum."

LONDON *versus* CHERTSEY AND DARTFORD

Played on Hampton Court Green on Tuesday, September 21st, 1762.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

According to some sources, Chertsey provided eight players with the Dartford Club providing three. The match started at 11.00am.

CHERTSEY AND DARTFORD *versus* LONDON

Played at Laleham Burway on Monday, September 27th, 1762.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Some sources list this match as "the County of Middlesex and London against the famous Parish of Chertsey with three of the best men from Dartford in Kent." The match started at 11.00am.

1763

KENTISH WEEKLY POST, July 2nd : (regards the forthcoming match at Bridge Hill)

“... besides large bets depending on some of the players’ strokes against each other, on both sides, and the bowlers have likewise backed themselves on bowling down the greatest number of wickets: the last match was like to be very equal, being only half a notch difference the first innings.”

BRIDGE AND BOURNE *versus* CANTERBURY

Played on Bridge Hill on Monday, July 4th, 1763.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Played for 10/6 a man.

CANTERBURY *versus* ELHAM

Venue and date unknown, 1763.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

CANTERBURY *versus* FAVERSHAM

Venue and date unknown, 1763.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

BRIDGE *versus* SIBERTSWOLD

Venue and date unknown, 1763.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

BRIDGE AND BOURNE *versus* ELHAM AND LYMINGE

Venue and date unknown, 1763.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

NEWINGTON (NEAR SITTINGBOURNE) *versus* BURLIN

Venue and date unknown, 1763.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

ALKHAM AND SWINGFIELD *versus* FOLKESTONE AND DISTRICT

Played on the old sporting place called Fryers Fern, neat Alkham

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

GENTLEMEN OF TENTERDEN AND HIGH HALDEN versus GENTLEMEN OF CRANBROOK

Venue and date unknown, 1763.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Played for a crown a man.

1764

HYTHE *versus* CANTERBURY

Played on Hythe Green on Tuesday, July 17th, 1764.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

CANTERBURY *versus* HYTHE

Played in a field near Vauxhall, Canterbury on Tuesday, July 31st, 1764.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

MATCH AT BLACKHEATH

Played on Thursday, August 16th, 1764.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Played among the gentlemen of Greenwich.

ROMFORD *versus* DARTFORD

Played on Romford Race Course on Tuesday, August 28th, 1764.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Played for £50, “play or pay”.

1765

GREENWICH *versus* OFFICERS OF THE ARTILLERY, WOOLWICH

Played on Blackheath on Monday, July 8th, 1765

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

London Chronicle (July 13th) : “The odds at first were considerably in favour of Greenwich, but to the amazement of many thousands of spectators, Woolwich gained the victory with the greatest eases, notwithstanding the two famous W-g-n’s played in the match.”

MATCH AT BLACKHEATH

Played on Saturday, July 20th, 1765.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

An annual match among the gentlemen of Greenwich, with a ball and supper arranged after the match. Gazeteer and London Daily Advertiser, July 23rd : “They drew lots for sides when fortunately almost all the young men were on one side which made the ladies declare the odds 20 to 1 in their favour: but unluckily two old staunch players of the other side, viz. S- B & I- R- Esq. convinced the young ladies of their mistake in trusting too much to the unstableness of youth.”

SURREY *versus* DARTFORD

Played in the Artillery Ground on Monday and Tuesday, August 19th and 20th, 1765.

Scores unknown.

SURREY WON.

Played for 100 guineas a side before a crowd of 12,000 over the two days. Late on Monday evening “... the mob (many of whom had laid large bets), imagining foul play, several of whom were dangerously wounded and bruised; but the match being renewed on Tuesday, it was won by Surrey.” According to a report in the St. James Chronicle “.. a young fellow, a butcher, being entrusted with about £40 by his mistress to buy cattle in Smithfield Market, instead went into the Artillery Ground and sported away the whole sum in betting upon the Cricket players.”

THREE OF SURREY *versus* THREE OF KENT

Played at Moulsey Hurst on Friday, August 30th, 1765.

Scores unknown.

SURREY WON.

CANTERBURY *versus* ISLE OF THANET

Venue and date unknown, 1765.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

HYPHE *versus* DEAL

Venue and date unknown, 1765.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

CANTERBURY, BISHOPSBOURNE AND BRIDGE *versus* HYTHE.

Venue and date unknown, 1765.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

1766

MAIDSTONE *versus* CANTERBURY

Played at Coxheath, date unknown (June) 1766.

Scores unknown.

WON BY MAIDSTONE.

XI PENSIONERS OF GREENWICH HOSPITAL WITH ONE LEG *versus* XI PENSIONERS OF GREENWICH HOSPITAL WITH ONE ARM.

Played on Blackheath on Monday, July 21st, 1766.

Scores unknown.

XXI PENSIONERS WITH ONE ARM WON.

“The one-legged men played best; but the one-armed men ran best.” A large crowd witnessed this match with several large bets being placed on the outcome.

BOURNE *versus* DARTFORD

Played at Bishopsbourne Paddock on Monday, September 29th, 1766.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

GENTLEMEN OF TENTERDEN AND HIGH HALDEN *versus* GENTLEMEN OF CRANBROOK

Venue and date unknown, 1766.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Played for a crown a man.

BOURNE CLUB *versus* HUNTON, LINTON AND MARDEN

Venue and date unknown, 1766.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

BOURNE CLUB *versus* CRANBROOK

Venue and date unknown, 1766.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

BOURNE CLUB *versus* WROTHAM

Venue and date unknown, 1766.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

BOURNE CLUB *versus* LEYBOURNE

Venue and date unknown, 1766.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

BOURNE CLUB *versus* DOVER AND HYTHE

Played at Bourne Park, date unknown.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

DOVER AND HYTHE *versus* BOURNE CLUB

Played at Dover, date unknown.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

DOVER AND HYTHE *versus* BOURNE CLUB

Played at Hythe, date unknown.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

CHARING *versus* ASHFORD AND WYE

Venue and date unknown, 1766.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

1767

BOURNE CLUB *versus* GENTLEMEN OF TENTERDEN

Played on Bishopsbourne Paddock on Tuesday, June 23rd, 1767.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

ISLE OF THANET CLUB *versus* FOUR PARISHES IN EAST KENT

Played at Allen Court Green, near Mount Pleasant, Thanet on Tuesday, July 19th, 1768.

GENTLEMEN OF TENTERDEN AND HIGH HALDEN *versus* BOURNE CLUB (with Frame, Burchett and Muddle)

Played at Tenterden on Thursday, 21st July, 1767.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

A good ordinary was provided at the White Lion in Tenterden from Eleven o'Clock.

DOVER *versus* EAST KENT

Played at Shepherdsweil on Monday, July 25th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

GREENWICH *versus* LONDON

Played at Blackheath, date unknown (July) 1767.

Scores unknown.

WON BY LONDON.

BOURNE *versus* SURREY

Played at Bishopsbourne Paddock on or around Wednesday, August 5th, 1767.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

A report in the Kentish Weekly Post stated "Wickets to be pitched at 10 so the match may be played out that day on account of the Assizes." The "Surrey" team was probably the Caterham Club.

CHARING *versus* ASHFORD AND WYE

Venue and date unknown, 1767.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

1768

FIVE OF HORACE MANN *versus* FIVE OF HON. J. F. SACKVILLE

Played over two days during the week commencing Monday, May 23rd, 1768.

MANN'S	1 st Innings		2 nd Innings	
~. Boorman		5		3
~. Fuggles		3		0
~. May		10		12
~. Bellchambers		4		13
~. Muddle		4		1
TOTAL	All out	26	All out	29
SACKVILLE'S	1st Innings		2nd Innings	
~. Brobham		2		
~. Boyton		8	Not out	36
~. Small		3		0
~. Birchet		1		
~. Mandy		6		
TOTAL	All out	20	For one wicket	36

FIVE OF HON. J. F. SACKVILLE WON BY FOUR WICKETS.

CATERHAM CLUB *versus* BOURNE CLUB

Played on Westerham Common on Friday, June 10th, 1768.

CATERHAM	1 st Innings		2 nd Innings	
Mr. Rowet		2		30
~. Small		25		11
~. Twinkler		4		1
Edw. Francis		0		1
T. Francis		4		1
~. Miller		3		20
~. Carpenter		8		14
~. Foule		4		33
~. Bellchambers		2		9
~. Birchet		3		1
~. Blake		0		8
Extras	(b 8)	8	(b 21)	21
TOTAL	All out	63	All out	150
BOURNE	1 st Innings		2 nd Innings	
Sir H. Mann		6		3
~. Ward		1		0
~. Simmons		2		45
~. Boorman		1		9
~. Fuggles		6		5
~. Palmer		12		23
T. May		2		11
~. Muddle		15		12
~. Golding		0		10
R. May		4		1
~. Love		0		1
Extras	(b 11)	11	(b 19)	19
TOTAL	All out	60	All out	139

CATERHAM WON BY 14 RUNS.

GENTLEMEN OF ST. PETERS *versus* GENTLEMEN OF MINSTER AND BIRCHINGTON.

Played at Cleve, Isle of Thanet, Wednesday, June 29th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

WON BY ST. PETERS.

As the game was keenly contested and the victory margin so slim, a return match was soon arranged.

GENTLEMEN OF MINSTER AND BIRCHINGTON *versus* GENTLEMEN OF ST. PETERS.

Played near Broadstairs on Wednesday, July 6th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

GENTLEMEN OF ASH *versus* MR. FARRAR'S CLUB AND THE ISLE OF THANET

Played at Ash on Tuesday, July 12th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Dinner was provided at the Bull's Head, courtesy of Mr. Hammond.

ISLE OF THANET CLUB *versus* FOUR PARISHES IN EAST KENT

Played at Allen Court Green, near Mount Pleasant, Thanet on Tuesday, July 19th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

DOVER *versus* EAST KENT

Played at Shepherdsweil on Monday, July 25th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

CATERHAM CLUB *versus* BOURNE CLUB

Played at Caterham Common on Tuesday, July 26th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Caterham gave the Bourne Club two men. The St. James' Chronicle, July 23rd, notes this match as "Mr. Henry Rowed's Club versus Horatio Mann's Club". Wickets pitched at 11am and the match played out.

LEEDS CLUB *versus* XI PICKED GAMESTERS IN THE COUNTY OF KENT

Played in Leeds Park on Friday, July 29th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

CATERHAM CLUB *versus* BOURNE CLUB

Played at Caterham on Tuesday, August 2nd, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Bourne gave Caterham one man. This match was “thought to be as good a match as was ever played.” Like the previous fixture, St. James’ Chronicle referred to this match as “Mr. Henry Rowed’s Club versus Horatio Mann’s Club.” Wickets pitched at 11am and the match played out.

XI PICKED GAMESTERS OF KENT *versus* LEEDS CLUB

Played at Charing on Wednesday, August 10th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Wickets pitched at twelve o’clock. Dinner was provided at the King’s Head at 11.00am. At the completion of this game, a single wicket match between a picked man from each side was due to be played.

BOURNE CLUB *versus* CATERHAM CLUB

Played at Bishopsbourne Paddock, Friday, August 12th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

“Played for a large sum.” Local reports suggest that Bourne were playing the Gentlemen of Surrey but this was clearly the latest in a series of fixtures between the two parish based XI’s.

CANTERBURY *versus* SQUIRE FERRAR’S CLUB OF THE ISLE OF THANET.

Played at St. Stephen’s Field, Canterbury, Monday, August 29th, 1768.

Scores unknown.

THANET WON.

“The Wickets to be pitched at Ten o’Clock in the Morning and the match played out.” This was the returned match, details of the first match not being known.

HAMBLEDON *versus* KENT

Played on Broad-Halfpenny Down on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 6th and 7th, 1768.

HAMBLEDON	1st Innings		2nd Innings	
TOTAL	All out	131	All out	194
KENT	1st Innings		2nd Innings	
TOTAL	All out	141	All out	40

HAMBLEDON WON BY 144 RUNS.

John Small of Peterfield was arguably the best batsman of his time and “fetched above seven score notches off his own bat.”

CHARING *versus* SIX HILL PARISHES

Venue and date unknown, 1768.

CHARING WON BY FIVE WICKETS.

1769

XII KENTISH GENTLEMEN *versus* XII GENTLEMEN OF LONDON

Played near Dartford on Monday, May 8th, 1769

Scores unknown.

XII KENTISH GENTLEMEN WON BY THREE RUNS.

Played for 60 guineas.

KENT *versus* LONDON

Played at Blackheath on Wednesday and Thursday, August 9th and 10th, 1769.

Scores unknown.

KENT WON BY 47 RUNS.

Middlesex Journal, August 19th, refers to this match as Greenwich, Woolwich and Deptford versus The Artillery Club of London.

LONDON *versus* KENT

Played in the Artillery Ground on Thursday and Friday, August 17th and 18th, 1769.

LONDON	1st Innings		2nd Innings	
TOTAL	All out	81	All out	99
KENT	1st Innings		2nd Innings	
TOTAL	All out	65	All out	59

LONDON WON BY 56 RUNS.

Close of play – day 1 : Kent (2nd) 34 – 4. Kent's last six wickets in their second innings added 25 runs. It was reported that bets of over £20,000 were depending on the result of this match. Play on the second day commenced at 2.00pm.

LONDON *versus* KENT

Played in the Artillery Ground on Thursday, August 24th, 1769.

Scores unknown.

KENT WON BY SIX WICKETS.

The match concluded at around 7.00pm.

WAREHORNE AND WOODCHURCH *versus* BENENDEN AND BIDDENDEN

Played at Warehorne on Monday and Tuesday, September 18th and 19th, 1769.

Scores unknown.

WAREHORNE AND WOODCHURCH WON.

The Kentish Weekly Post, September 25th, claimed that the hosts were victorious although the visitors wanted 34 to win with four wickets in hand.

WEST KENT *versus* SURREY

Played on Sevenoaks Vine on Friday, September 22nd, 1769.

Scores unknown.

RESULT UNKNOWN.

Wickets pitched “soon after 10.”