

National Cricket League - Fact File



The Norwich Union National Cricket League is giving everyone a chance to witness the excitement of the one-day competition later this month - for free.

All matches over the weekend of June 24 and 25 are free to fans. And league bosses are urging new spectators to take advantage of the offer, and witness the likes of Nasser Hussain, Glenn McGrath and Shane Warne in action.

Norwich Union NCL spokesman Bill Reynolds said: "Working with the England and Wales Cricket Board and the counties involved, we have provided an opportunity for families to have a day out - courtesy of Norwich Union. We hope it will lead to many of them coming back for more. We hope thousands take up the offer, some to see cricket for the first time at this level, and others to rediscover our national summer sport."

ECB marketing director Terry Blake said: "This is a unique opportunity to

come and watch professional cricket for free. Coloured clothing, on-pitch entertainment, competitions and prizes, not to mention the cricket, will make it a great day out - and it's free."

The matches are: Saturday, June 24, NCL D1: Gloucestershire Gladiators v Yorkshire Phoenix (Bristol); Somerset Sabres v Worcestershire Royals (Taunton). D2: Glamorgan Dragons v Hampshire Hawks (Cardiff); Nottinghamshire Outlaws v Essex Eagles (Nottingham). Sunday, June 25, D1: Leicestershire Foxes v Gloucestershire Gladiators (Leicester); Yorkshire Phoenix v Northamptonshire Steelbacks (Leeds). D2: Durham Dynamos v Middlesex Crusaders (Chester-le-Street); Warwickshire Bears v Essex Eagles (Birmingham).



Norwich Union Division One

	P	W	L	T	NR	Pts
Worcestershire Royals	6	5	1	0	0	20
Somerset Sabres	4	4	0	0	0	16
Gloucestershire Gladiators	6	3	3	0	0	12
Leicestershire Foxes	5	2	1	2	0	12
Yorkshire Phoenix	4	2	2	0	0	8
Kent Spitfires	6	1	3	0	2	8
Sussex Sharks	6	1	3	1	1	8
Northants Steelbacks	5	1	4	0	0	4
Lancashire Lightning	4	0	2	1	1	4



Norwich Union Division Two

	P	W	L	T	NR	Pts
Nottinghamshire Outlaws	6	5	1	0	0	20
Surrey Lions	6	4	0	0	2	20
Warwickshire Bears	4	4	0	0	0	16
Glamorgan Dragons	6	3	2	1	0	14
Middlesex Crusaders	5	2	1	1	1	12
Essex Eagles	5	1	3	0	1	6
Durham Dynamos	5	1	4	0	0	4
Derbyshire Scorpions	4	0	4	0	0	0
Hampshire Hawks	5	0	5	0	0	0



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Best Individual Scores

Name	Score	Teams	Venue
M.E.Trescothick	92*	Sabres v Spitfires	Taunton
B.F.Smith	90	Foxes v Lightning	Old Trafford
P.R.Pollard	89	Royals v Steelbacks	Worcester
B.F.Smith	88*	Foxes v Phoenix	Headingley
V.J.Wells	81	Foxes v Sharks	Horsham
N.H.Fairbrother	75	Lightning v Royals	Old Trafford

Best Individual Bowling

Name	Wkts/Runs	Teams	Venue
J.M.M.Averis	5/20	Gladiators v Steelbacks	Northampton
I.J.Harvey	5/33	Gladiators v Sabres	Taunton
G.D.McGrath	4/9	Royals v Phoenix	Worcester
K.Adams	4/19	Spitfires v Foxes	Leicester
J.M.M.Averis	4/21	Gladiators v Sharks	Bristol
M.A.Robinson	4/23	Sharks v Foxes	Leicester

Highest Team Totals

Total	Teams	Venue
243 for 6	Sabres v Steelbacks	Taunton
240	Steelbacks v Sabres	Taunton
219	Sharks v Foxes	Horsham
216 for 7	Royals v Lightning	Old Trafford
208	Foxes v Sharks	Horsham
207 for 4	Royals v Steelbacks	Worcester
206 for 7	Royals v Sharks	Hove

Leading Catches (excluding wicket-keepers)

Name	Team	Ctchs	Mtchs
C.J.Adams	(Sharks)	4	5
E.J.Wilson	(Royals)	4	6
D.Byas	(Phoenix)	3	4
K.R.Spiring	(Royals)	3	4
I.D.Blackwell	(Sabres)	3	4

Lowest Team Totals

Total	Teams	Venue
76	Steelbacks v Spitfires	Canterbury
112	Steelbacks v Gladiators	Northampton
129	Gladiators v Phoenix	Headingley
132	Royals v Phoenix	Worcester
135	Sharks v Gladiators	Bristol
145	Gladiators v Sharks	Bristol

Leading Run Scorers

P.R.Pollard (Royals)	298	(6)
M.E.Trescothick (Sabres)	239	(4)
M.G.Bevan (Sharks)	236	(5)
B.F.Smith (Foxes)	199	(5)
K.J.Barnett (Gladiators)	176	(6)
R.J.Blakey (Phoenix)	163	(4)

Leading Wicket-takers

P.J.Franks (Outlaws)	16	(6)
A.J.Hollooake (Lions)	11	(4)
A.R.C.Fraser (Crusaders)	10	(4)
O.T.Parkin (Dragons)	9	(6)
P.N.Weekes (Crusaders)	8	(4)
R.L.Johnson (Crusaders)	8	(4)

no. of innings in brackets

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Best Individual Scores

Name	Score	Teams	Venue
M.T.G.Elliott	94	Dragons v Eagles	Cardiff
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J.E.R.Gallian	74	Outlaws v Dynamos	Trent Bridge
J.E.Morris	73	Outlaws v Dynamos	Riverside
R.A.Smith	71	Hawks v Crusaders	Lord's
J.S.Laney	69	Hawks v Bears	Edgbaston

Best Individual Bowling

Name	Wkts/Runs	Teams	Venue
P.J.Franks	6/27	Outlaws v Dynamos	Riverside
A.J.Hollooake	5/29	Lions v Dynamos	Riverside
A.J.Harris	5/35	Outlaws v Hawks	Trent Bridge
A.R.C.Fraser	4/18	Crusaders v Eagles	Chelmsford
P.N.Weekes	4/26	Crusaders v Scorpions	Derby
A.J.Tudor	4/26	Lions v Hawks	The Oval

Highest Team Totals

Total	Teams	Venue
230 for 7	Lions v Dynamos	Riverside
222 for 7	Bears v Outlaws	Edgbaston
220	Dragons v Eagles	Cardiff
215 for 8	Bears v Hawks	Southampton
209 for 6	Outlaws v Dynamos	Trent Bridge
208 for 6	Dynamos v Outlaws	Trent Bridge
200	Eagles v Dragons	Cardiff

Leading Catches (excluding wicket-keepers)

Name	Team	Ctchs	Mtchs
P.N.Weekes	Crusaders	5	4
G.P.Thorpe	Lions	4	4
M.P.Maynard	Dragons	4	5
M.T.G.Elliott	Dragons	4	5
A.F.Giles	Bears	3	3
G.Welch	Bears	3	4

Lowest Team Totals

Total	Teams	Venue
94	Hawks v Lions	The Oval
114	Scorpions v Crusaders	Derby
118	Hawks v Bears	Southampton
125	Dragons v Bears	Edgbaston
135	Hawks v Outlaws	Trent Bridge
143	Eagles v Crusaders	Chelmsford
147	Hawks v Crusaders	Lord's

Leading Run Scorers

J.E.Morris (Outlaws)	258	(6)
M.T.G.Elliott (Dragons)	250	(5)
S.M.Katich (Dynamos)	192	(5)
J.E.R.Gallian (Outlaws)	164	(5)
D.J.Bicknell (Outlaws)	159	(6)
M.P.Maynard (Dragons)	152	(5)

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