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Second Round

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Amateurs look to mix it with the best

With the prospect of a clash with professional opposition on the horizon, the 28 non First-Class teams remaining in the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy have plenty to play for in the second round.

Minor Counties champions Dorset are one of 14 teams competing from English cricket's second tier alongside an equal number of county Cricket Board sides.

Dorset take on Bedfordshire at Dean Park in what is sure to be an entertaining affair with the carrot of a home tie against Yorkshire on offer for the winners.

ECB 38 County Cup champions Herefordshire will also be hoping to prove a point as they take on the Gloucestershire Board for the right to play Middlesex.

Of the Board sides, Yorkshire drawing from the undoubted strength of the Bradford and Yorkshire leagues will be hoping to progress at the expense of

their Northamptonshire counterparts and Huntingdonshire will be looking to press their claim for Minor County status against Surrey CB.

The Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy second round will again showcase the talents of many fine players from around the world.

West Indian Phil Simmons will again feature for Wales, South Africa's David Callaghan will take the field for Suffolk and recent New Zealand debutant Andre Adams turns out for Herefordshire.

Shane Warne's Victoria team-mate Jon Moss will be out to impress with Berkshire and the Durham Cricket Board are boosted by the availability of Western Australia's Marcus North.

There will be no shortage of English ability on display either with many familiar faces from the county scene in action alongside some exciting youth prospects.

Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy Dates

2001	First round	Tue May 1 (Reserve Day May 2)
	Second round	Tue May 15 (Reserve Day May 16)
	Third round	Wed June 27 (Reserve Day June 28)
	Fourth round	Wed July 11 (Reserve Day July 12)
	Quarter-finals	Tue 24 & Wed 25 July
	First Semi-final	Sat 11 August
	Second Semi-final	Sun 12 August
	Final (Lord's)	Sat 1 September

Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy Dates

2002	* Due to the increased size of the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy the early rounds of the 2002 competition will take place at the end of the current season	
	First round	Wed August 29, 2001 (Reserve Day August 30)
	Second round	Thu September 13, 2001 (Reserve Day September 14)

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The 56 teams competing for the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy

2001	Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Cambridgeshire, Cheshire, Cornwall, Cumberland, Dorset, Derbyshire, Derbyshire CB, Devon, Durham, Durham CB, Essex, Essex CB, Gloucestershire, Gloucestershire CB, Glamorgan, Hampshire, Hampshire CB, Herefordshire, Hertfordshire, Huntingdonshire, Kent, Kent CB, Lancashire, Lancashire CB, Leicestershire, Leicestershire CB, Lincolnshire, Middlesex, Middlesex CB, Norfolk, Northamptonshire, Northamptonshire CB, Northumberland, Nottinghamshire, Nottinghamshire CB, Oxfordshire, Shropshire, Somerset, Somerset CB, Staffordshire, Suffolk, Surrey, Surrey CB, Sussex, Sussex CB, Warwickshire, Warwickshire CB, Wales, Worcestershire, Worcestershire CB, Wiltshire, Yorkshire, Yorkshire CB
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England old boys still on song

Two former England batsmen proved they are still going strong as the new Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy swung into life in early May.

Wayne Larkins and Bill Athey may have played in far more illustrious surroundings but they showed they still have plenty to offer as they led the Huntingdonshire Cricket Board and Suffolk into the second round respectively.

Ex-Northamptonshire and Durham opener Larkins, now 47, was in magnificent form as he helped the country's smallest cricketing county to a 77-run win over Oxfordshire at East Challow with a well-made 73.

Athey, who enjoyed spells at Yorkshire, Gloucestershire and Sussex during a distinguished career, hit a similarly impressive 71 as Suffolk edged a close encounter with Lincolnshire by four wickets.

Three other Minor Counties also went through after close victories over county Board sides.

Wales needed to call on all their resolve to see off Somerset CB in a game played over two days due to poor weather.

The Welshmen were bowled out for just 159 but produced a superb performance in the field as their opponents fell 20 runs short.

Shropshire squeaked through by just seven runs in a thriller with Devon at Shrewsbury.

Former Somerset and Surrey batsman Gareth Townsend scored 60 as the West Country side responded well to Shropshire's 196. But the home attack, led well by Gareth Byram, who added 1-16 to his earlier half-century, did just enough to prevail.

A fine 73 from West Indian Andrew Jackman put the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board in charge of their tie with Bedfordshire but 93 from David Clark and Oliver Clayson's 56 dashed their hopes.

They are joined in round two by the Derbyshire, Yorkshire and Worcestershire Cricket Boards, who all made comfortable progress.

Derbyshire CB crushed Wiltshire by 49 runs at Chippenham, thanks in the main to 61 from James Bernstead and Ian Parkin's 5-24.

The Yorkshire recreational side earned their place with a 77-run thrashing of their trans-Pennine rivals from Lancashire in a disappointingly low-scoring game at Nelson.

South African Pieter Swanepoel was the pick of an impressive Yorkshire attack with figures of 3-9 as the Red Rose side crashed to 83 all out. John Carruthers, Neil Gill and Stephen Foster chipped in



Bill Athey

with two wickets apiece.

Jonathan Wright ripped through the Staffordshire order with 5-21 as Worcestershire CB secured a comfortable eight-wicket win at Wolstanton.

The weather washed out the remaining two first round matches, bringing the dreaded bowl-out into play.

Kent CB emerged victorious 3-1 over their Hampshire counterparts after only 10 overs were possible at Maidstone and Middlesex CB managed to see off Northumberland 5-4 in the only action seen in two days at Southgate.



First Round Results May 1st & 2nd



Southgate

Middlesex won 3-1 on bowl out

Middlesex CB v Northumberland - match abandoned

The Mote

Kent Board XI won 5-4 on bowl out

Hampshire CB 29 for 2 (10 overs);

Kent Board XI

Porthill Park

Staffordshire lost to Worcestershire CB by 8 wickets

Staffordshire 78 (36.3 overs) (J.P.Wright 5-21, M.Hodgkiss 3-16);

Worcestershire CB 79 for 2 (15.4 overs)

Man of the Match: M Hodgkiss

Nelson

Lancashire CB lost to **Yorkshire CB** by 77 runs

Yorkshire CB 160 for 6 (50 overs);

Lancashire CB 83 (42 overs) (P.Swanepoel 3-9)

Man of the Match: S J Foster

Sleaford

Lincolnshire lost to Suffolk by 4 wickets

Lincolnshire 223 for 6 (50 overs) (J.C.Harrison 71);

Suffolk 227 for 6 (49 overs) (C.W.J.Athey 71)

Man of the Match: I D Graham

Wardown Park

Bedfordshire beat Nottinghamshire CB by 3 wickets

Nottinghamshire CB 210 for 8 (50 overs) (A.F.D.Jackman 73, W.E.Sneath 3-44);

Bedfordshire 212 for 7 (49.4 overs) (D.R.Clarke 93, O.J.Clayson 56*, J.P.Hart 3-36)

Man of the Match: D R Clarke

Shrewsbury

Shropshire beat Devon by 7 runs

Shropshire 196 for 8 (50 overs) (G.J.Byram 56);

Devon 189 for 7 (50 overs) (G.T.J.Townsend 60)

Man of the Match: G J Byram

North Perrott

Somerset CB lost to Wales by 20 runs

Wales 159 for 8 (50 overs) (R.J.Pannell 3-21);

Somerset CB 139 (47.1 overs)

Man of the Match: A D Twose

Chippenham

Wiltshire lost to Derbyshire CB by 49 runs

Derbyshire CB 193 for 5 (50 overs) (J.R.Benstead 61, R.J.Bates 3-34);

Wiltshire 144 (46.4 overs) (I.C.Parkin 5-24)

Man of the Match: I C Parkin

Challow & Childrey

Oxfordshire lost to Huntingdonshire CB by 77 runs

Huntingdonshire CB 252 for 5 (50 overs) (W.Larkins 73);

Oxfordshire 175 (46 overs)

Man of the Match: W Larkins



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Cambridgeshire v Derbyshire CB

Venue: March CC, tel: 01354 652029. **Contact:** Peter Gooden, The Redlands, Oakington Road, Cottenham, Cambs, CB4 8TW.

How they did in 2000 **Cambridgeshire** – R1 bt Hertfordshire by 4 wkts, R2 lost to Cumberland by 9 wkts
Derbyshire CB – R1 bye, R2 bt Gloucestershire CB by 50 runs, R3 lost to Derbyshire by 223 runs

CAMBRIDGESHIRE welcome the Derbyshire Cricket Board to March with the tantalising prospect of a Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy home game with Somerset just around the corner.

But the Minor Counties outfit will have their work cut out in their first outing of the season as they take on a side who disposed of Wiltshire by 49 runs in the first round.

They did so courtesy of 61 from opener James Benstead and 5-24 from young spin prospect Ian Parkin. Also among the Derbyshire ranks will be amateur star Ian Darlington

and one-time England hero Ben Spendlove.

It is now three years since a young Spendlove enjoyed his 15 minutes of fame by taking two catches as an England substitute against South Africa and he will be keen to prove people wrong after being shown the door by Derbyshire. Cambridgeshire have not yet played this season but secretary Peter Gooden said: "We are looking forward to it and would like the chance to play Somerset."

Winners play Somerset at home in R3

J.Ilott & J.M.Tythcott Umpires

Cornwall v Cheshire

Venue: Truro CC, tel: 01872 277468. **Contact:** Mrs AM George, The Logan Rock, Treen, St Levan, Penzance, TR19 6LG.

How they did in 2000 **Cornwall** – R1 lost to Norfolk by 4 wkts
Cheshire – R1 lost to Lincolnshire on wkts lost

SEAMER Simon Renshaw is back in the Cheshire side as the ECB 38 County Cup runners-up look to get their 2001 season off to a winning start in the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy.

Renshaw has rejoined the county after being released by Hampshire at the end of last season and will make the long journey down to Truro to face Cornwall with a strong-looking squad.

Captain Ian Cockbain has plenty of talent at his disposal with ECB representatives Paul Bryson and Richard Hignett

in their line-up alongside former England Under-19 player Andrew Hall.

Cornwall will be hoping to make up for a disappointing season last year but will hope left-arm spinner James Hands can continue where he left off with both bat and ball.

Sussex lie in wait for the victors in the third round.

Winners play Sussex at home in R3

P.W.Kingston-Davey & G.Ripley Umpires

Dorset v Bedfordshire

Venue: Dean Park, tel: 01202 295206. **Contact:** Ken House, The Barn, Higher Farm, Bagber Common, Sturminster Newton, DT10 2HB.

How they did in 2000 **Dorset** – R1 bye, R2 bt Norfolk by 110 runs, R3 lost to Glamorgan by 139 runs
Bedfordshire – R1 bye, R2 lost to Northumberland by 7 wkts

MINOR Counties champions Dorset will hope to make their mark on the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy this season as they begin their campaign against Bedfordshire.

Dorset were given a bye in the first round and will get the chance to cut their teeth against Yorkshire if they can overcome their second round opponents.

Secretary Ken House said: "We would very much like to get through. We are desperate to play against Yorkshire."

Dorset's prolific former Gloucestershire leg-spinner Vyvian Pike will again be crucial to their success.

Bedfordshire, under captain Chris Tolley, will however do their best to block their progress. Tolley, having played for Nottinghamshire and Worcestershire, for one, will not want to let the chance of facing First Class opposition again slip.

Winners play Yorkshire at home in R3

M.A.Johnson & M.P.Moran Umpires



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Herefordshire v Gloucestershire CB

Venue: Brockhampton CC, no telephone. **Contact:** Peter Sykes, 5 Dale Drive, Holmer Grange, Hereford, HR4 9RF.

How they did in 2000 **Herefordshire** – R1 lost to Sussex CB by 6 runs
Gloucestershire CB – R1 bt Nottinghamshire CB by 8 wkts, R2 lost to Derbyshire CB by 50 runs

RECENT New Zealand cap Andre Adams joins the Herefordshire side as they look to claim a place in the third round of the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy.

Adams made his one-day international debut for the Kiwis in the recent Gold Cup tournament in Sharjah and is now keeping his hand in with Nottingham club Kimberley.

But the ECB 38 County Cup winners will be without two of their stars from last season after James Brinkley and Paul Lazenbury were snapped up by First Class counties.

Herefordshire secretary Peter Sykes said: "We won the 38

County Cup for the first time last year. We'd love to go through and face Middlesex and we have some quality players in our side in our captain

Hasan Patel and Ismail Dawood."

Herefordshire and their opponents, the Gloucestershire Cricket Board, were given byes in the first round and will be playing for the first time this season.

Winners play Middlesex at home in R3

J.S.Johnson & J.H.James Umpires

Hertfordshire v Durham CB

Venue: Welwyn Garden City, tel: 01707 327354. **Contact:** Brian Mulholland, 16 Landford Close, Rickmansworth, Herts, WD3 1NG.

How they did in 2000 **Hertfordshire** – R1 lost to Cambridgeshire by 4 wkts
Durham CB – R1 bt Leicestershire CB by 4 wkts, R2 bt Denmark by 5 wkts,
R3 lost to Northamptonshire by 8 wkts

THE Durham Cricket Board are boosted by the availability of Western Australia opener Marcus North for this season's Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy campaign.

The 22-year-old played club cricket in the North East last season and although he has joined Colne in Lancashire this term, is keen to represent Durham.

Former Durham First Class player Shaun Birbeck has been pencilled in to captain the side but could face a conflict of interests as he begins a new job on the day of the game. Hertfordshire will be anxious to start the new season well

after coming last in the Minor Counties Eastern Division last year despite David Ward finishing as the competition's leading run-scorer.

Ward scored 835 runs during a prolific campaign that included a 167-ball 202 not out against Norfolk.

Winners play Worcestershire at home in R3

D.L.Burden & J.G.Reed Umpires

Kent CB v Buckinghamshire

Venue: Mote Park, Maidstone, tel: 01622 754545. **Contact:** Chris Swadkin, St Lawrence Ground, Canterbury, CT1 3NZ.

How they did in 2000 **Kent CB** – R1 bt Worcestershire CB by 50 runs, R2 bt Warwickshire CB by 45 runs,
R3 lost to Hampshire by 8 wkts
Buckinghamshire – R1 lost to Wales by 11 runs

THE Kent Cricket Board will be hoping to carry forward their good luck from the first round of the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy into their tie with Buckinghamshire.

Kent CB claimed a place in the second round with a 3-1 victory over their Hampshire counterparts as their rain-affected encounter at Mote Park was settled by a bowl-out.

Buckinghamshire will include in their side the experienced Paul Atkins, who has a First Class hundred to his name after a spell with Surrey several years ago. Atkins has since spent time in South Africa before returning to Britain,

where he now turns out in the Thames Valley League.

The prize for victory is a home tie with Warwickshire and Buckinghamshire will be hoping to summon up some of the spirit that saw them overcome First Class opposition in Somerset in 1987.

Winners play Warwickshire at home in R3

R.M.Sutton MBE & A.R.Bundy Umpires



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Middlesex CB v Berkshire

Venue: Richmond CC, tel: 020 8940 1604. **Contact:** David Holland, Lord's Cricket Ground, London, NW8 8QN.

How they did in 2000 Middlesex CB – R1 bye, R2 bt Wiltshire by 3 runs, R3 lost to Sussex by 9 wkts
Berkshire – R1 bye, R2 bt Sussex CB by 5 wkts, R3 lost to Durham by 43 runs

BERKSHIRE will boast plenty of experience as they look to overcome the Middlesex Cricket Board and claim a place in the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy third round. The side will be led by former Hampshire batsman Julian Wood and will also include ex-county players in Richard Davis and Chris Batt. Davis spent many years on the county scene during spells with Warwickshire, Sussex, Kent and Gloucestershire. Batt, who despite his name is recognised more as a left-arm seamer, has plied his trade for both Sussex and Middlesex.

Wood's side will also boast some Antipodean influence in Victoria all-rounder Jon Moss. Moss made his First Class debut in the Pura Milk Cup last winter and has even been touted as a possible for the Australia one-day side. Neither side have yet played in the competition with Berkshire being handed a bye and Middlesex CB progressing after a bowl-out victory over Northumberland. The sudden-death head-to-head was the only action of a rain-soaked two days at Southgate.

Winners play Essex at home in R3

C.G.Pocock & J.G.Reed Umpires

Norfolk v Wales

Venue: Manor Park, Norwich, tel: 01603 424635. **Contact:** Stephen Skinner, 27 Colkett Drive, Old Catton, Norwich, NR6 7ND.

How they did in 2000 Norfolk – R1 bt Cornwall by 4 wkts, R2 lost to Dorset by 110 runs
Wales – R1 bt Buckinghamshire by 11 runs, R2 bt Oxfordshire by 8 wkts, R3 lost to Essex by 103 runs

COLIN METSON will take his Wales side to Manor Park hoping to follow up their superb win over the Somerset Cricket Board in the first round of the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy. Metson knows all about the rigours of the competition having kept wicket in many of Glamorgan's campaigns throughout the late eighties and nineties. Since leaving Glamorgan three years ago, Metson has now found a new role as captain of a Wales side which also boasts the star quality of former West Indies batsman Phil Simmons.

The reward for victory over Norfolk will be a third-round clash against Leicestershire, a prospect which Simmons will no doubt relish. Simmons was a key member of the Leicestershire side that brought the county championship to Grace Road in 1996 and 1998 and he would love to pit his wits against their current crop. Norfolk received a bye in the first round.

Winners play Leicestershire at home in R3

S.Z.Marzal & L.Redford Umpires

Northamptonshire CB v Yorkshire CB

Venue: Northampton, tel: 01604 514455. **Contact:** Robert Carter, County Cricket Ground, Wantage Road, Northampton, NN1 4TJ.

How they did in 2000 Northamptonshire CB – R1 lost to Northumberland by 6 wkts
Yorkshire CB – R1 bye, R2 bt Huntingdonshire by 5 wkts, R3 lost to Yorkshire by 130 runs

THE strength of Yorkshire's leagues will again be put to the test as the county's Cricket Board take on their Northamptonshire counterparts in the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy. Club cricket has always been strong in the White Rose county and the Board side will again draw most of their strength from the Bradford League. Team manager Phillip Ratcliffe said: "We had quite a convincing win over the Lancashire Board in the first round and would love to go through again.

"We had the reward when we played Yorkshire last season and it'd be great to play Northants if we can beat their Board side, who we always have good games against." But naturally their opponents, who were given a bye in the first round, will also be keen to make progress and earn a third round date with their county's senior side.

Winners play Northamptonshire at home in R3

K.Coburn & R.Wood Umpires



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Suffolk v Essex CB

Venue: Mildenhall, tel: 01638 712018. **Contact:** Toby Pound, 94 Henley Road, Ipswich, IP1 4NJ.

How they did in 2000 Suffolk – R1 lost to Lancashire CB by 4 wkts
Essex CB – R1 bye, R2 bt Lancashire CB by 5 runs, R3 lost to Warwickshire by 11 runs

SUFFOLK'S top names will travel the length of the country to help in their bid to reach the third round of the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy.

The Minor County may no longer be able to call on the services of former England batsman Derek Randall following his retirement, but in Bill Athey and David Callaghan they still have experience in abundance.

Athey is still playing regularly in the West Country and will make the journey to Mildenhall to face the Essex Cricket

Board. Ex-Nottinghamshire and South Africa all-rounder Callaghan also faces a long trek from Lytham, where he plays his club cricket.

Former Derbyshire batsman Andy Brown also bolsters the ranks and with local star Ian Graham, used successfully as a pinch-hitter in the first-round win at Lincolnshire, Suffolk will have plenty of reason to be confident.

Essex CB had a bye in the first round.

Winners play Nottinghamshire at home in R3

P.D.Clubb & R.G.Eagleton Umpires

Surrey CB v Huntingdonshire CB

Venue: Cheam, tel: 020 8642 6888. **Contact:** Mike Edwards, The Oval, Kennington, London, SE11 5SS.

How they did in 2000 Surrey CB – R1 bye, R2 lost to Shropshire by 6 wkts
Huntingdonshire CB – R1 bt Hampshire CB by 28 runs, R2 lost to Yorkshire CB by 5 wkts

HUNTINGDONSHIRE are hoping to catch the eye as they look to bolster their bid for Minor County status with victory over the Surrey Cricket Board.

Huntingdonshire operate as a club but being neither a First Class or Minor county, they compete in the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy as a Board side. And with former England opener Wayne Larkins in their line up, they will be confident of leaving Cheam with a victory.

Larkins won 13 caps for England, the first as long ago as

Winners play Surrey at home in R3

1979, but is still playing regular club cricket and top-scored with 73 as Huntingdonshire beat Oxfordshire by 77 runs in the first round.

The match may also raise one or two eyebrows at Westminster with former Prime Minister John Major having more than a passing interest in the outcome.

The outgoing Huntingdon MP is president of both Huntingdonshire and Surrey CCC and with the county champions due to play the winners, his loyalties could be divided.

C.T.Puckett & M.C.White Umpires

Sussex CB v Shropshire

Venue: Hastings, tel: 01424 424546. **Contact:** Stephen Peyman, County Ground, Eaton Road, Hove, BN3 3AN.

How they did in 2000 Sussex CB – R1 bt Herefordshire by 6 runs, R2 lost to Berkshire by 43 runs
Shropshire – R1 bt Ireland by 5 wkts, R2 bt Surrey CB by 6 wkts, R3 lost to Somerset by 27 runs

SHROPSHIRE will have former county players Asif Din and Kevin Evans in their line up as they travel to Hastings in the hope of securing a Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy third-round date with holders Gloucestershire.

All-rounder Din is a proven one-day performer after spending most of his career with Warwickshire. He is now in his fifth season with Shropshire and still plays regular club cricket in the Birmingham League.

Shropshire will also look to veteran seamer Evans, formerly of Nottinghamshire, to help them overcome the

Winners play Gloucestershire at home in R3

Sussex Cricket Board, who reached this stage courtesy of a first-round bye.

Shropshire secretary Neville Birch said of his side's close win over Devon: "It was a really good game. There were never more than five runs in it but we just managed to hang on. We could now play Gloucestershire — the perfect draw."

A.J.Hardy & S.F.Bishopp Umpires



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Warwickshire CB v Leicestershire CB

Venue: Coventry & N. Warwicks CC, no telephone. **Contact:** Richard Cox, The County Ground, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B5 7QU.

How they did in 2000 **Warwickshire CB** – R1 bye, R2 lost to Kent CB by 45 runs
Leicestershire CB – R1 lost to Durham CB by 3 wkts

The Warwickshire and Leicestershire Cricket Boards will fight it out for the right to play Lancashire in the third round of the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy.

The game will mark the start of the season for both sides after they received byes in the first round.

Warwickshire director of cricket Richard Cox believes all the players will be looking forward to the game.

He said: "It gives them an opportunity to play representative cricket they wouldn't normally have.

"The chance to play against Lancashire is something that

doesn't come along very often. It'd be great from them to play against the likes of Atherton, Flintoff and Muralitharan. "Including the Board sides in the competition has been an excellent idea and the players have been practising hard to make the most of it."

Winners play Lancashire at home in R3

W.E.Smith & W.Morgan Umpires

Worcestershire CB v Cumberland

Venue: Kidderminster, tel 01562 824175. **Contact:** Tom Moody, County Ground, New Road, Worcester, WR2 4QQ.

How they did in 2000 **Worcestershire CB** – R1 lost to Kent CB by 50 runs
Cumberland – R1 bye, R2 bt Cambridgeshire by 9 wkts, R3 lost to Kent by 6 wkts

CUMBERLAND will look to put their defeat in last season's Minor Counties Championship final behind them as they bid to make a winning start in the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy. New captain Martin Lewis has plenty of experience to call on with former Yorkshire batsman Ashley Metcalfe looking to keep up the standards he set for himself last summer. All-rounder Steve O'Shaughnessy, who scored one of the fastest centuries on record during his time at Lancashire, is again available along with ex-Nottinghamshire seamer David Pennett.

Winners play Kent at home in R3

Victory would earn Cumberland a fixture with Kent and a reunion with a familiar face in Carlisle-born England tourist Paul Nixon.

Worcestershire CB will of course be out to stop them, buoyed by their fine win over Staffordshire in round one.

T.G.Wilson & P.O'Hara Umpires

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