

The Great Match

Bridgeholme v Luddendenfoot St. Mary's at Station House, Eastwood Saturday 8 May 1954

Luddendenfoot St Mary's had made a good start to their 1954 season in the Hebden Bridge and District League but faced a stiff test in their fourth match away to Bridgeholme, the reigning champions.

Bridgeholme's 107 all out looked more than enough as Luddendenfoot collapsed to 24 for 6. Then followed an astonishing blitz by J Helliwell, who smashed his way to 80 not out. No-one else made double figures as the visitors won without further loss.

The victory sent Luddendenfoot clear at the top of the table, a position they held for the rest of the season. They won 14 and drew 3 of their twenty matches, totalling 33 points, six clear of their nearest rivals.

Bridgeholme 107 all out: W Davies 46, M Smith 6-22

		Luddendenfoot St Mary's	
H Fisher	bWhittaker		4
D Bale	c Albinson b Whittaker		3
J Fernyhough	b Whittaker		4
D Ashley	c W Davies b Whittaker		0
L Jackson	c Whittaker b A Martin		9
A Gawn	b Albinson		2
J Helliwell	not out		80
W Warburton	not out		7
Extras			3
Total	(for 6 wickets)		112
Fall of Wickets: 1-6 2-10 3-10 4-15 5-20 6-24			

Luddendenfoot St Mary's won by 4 wickets