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HARTSHEAD MOOR FAIL IN BID FOR COUNCIL CHAMPIONSHIP

MAGNIFICENT DISPLAY AGAINST ALL-POWERFUL HANGING HEATON

Making their first appearance in a Yorkshire Council final since the club was formed 75 years ago, Hartshead Moor were defeated by Hanging Heaton in the play-off for the Council championship at Hanging Heaton on Monday. The champions, who already this season have carried off the Central Yorkshire League Championship and the Heavy Woollen Cup, reached the suspension total of 150 for the loss of four wickets and dismissed Hartshead Moor for 91.

Hartshead Moor deserve the hearty congratulations not only of their own supporters, but also of all lovers of cricket for the magnificent fight they put up against the keen and strong Hanging Heaton team in the final of the Yorkshire Council Championship.

They are also to be admired for the very sporting manner in which they accepted the strange ruling of the Yorkshire Council that the final should be played at Bennett Lane, Hanging Heaton's home ground.

Hartshead Moor's captain for the day, H. Smith, struck a popular note at the presentation of the trophies when he declared "the Yorkshire Council should stick to the rules as laid down in the rule book instead of making rules to suit occasions" a remark which brought loud applause.

The game demonstrated how valuable the winning of the toss in our uncertain summers can be. The state of the pitch and the ground at the starting time on Saturday was most disappointing and depressing. But hopes of a start were raised by the sun breaking through the leaden clouds. A start was made at 4.25 p.m. Hanging Heaton who had won the toss went in to bat on a difficult wicket. A quick success came Hartshead's way. R. Holmes clean bowled Duckworth, who had opened with Hepponstall, for four, but then there was a return of the rain and finish of play for the day. Thirteen overs were bowled, seven by R. Holmes, and six by H. Smith. Hanging Heaton had made ten runs, two of which were extras, and lost a valuable wicket.

Play was resumed on Monday, but this time there was no quick success. Hepponstall and J. Stead were in championship form. The Moor had to field B. Frear and A. Brocklehurst as substitutes for W. Booth and C. Parkin who sportingly lost a day of their annual holiday to play on Saturday. Both left for their resorts on Saturday evening and this reduction of batting strength proved to be a severe blow.

Hepponstall twice lifted the ball over Smith's head, but neither shots could be called chances and together with Stead took the score to 66, an invaluable start under the circumstances, before Stead hit his wicket in defending a ball from Whiteley. R. Bowers soon went for four and C. McNair looked set when he was caught at backward fine leg by Layton off Smith, from a stroke often made and at last receiving its reward. The captain, Robinson's arrival was then awaited and he gave Hartshead great hope with several sketchy strokes but from 101 he and Hepponstall took the score surely alone to the suspension total which was reached at 4.20.

BOWLING CHANGES

The Hartshead captain handled his bowling with great ability and continually switched his attack. Holmes from the Recreation end and Smith from the Pavilion end were the opening pair of bowlers and the first change was soon made when W. Hirst took over from Holmes and this great hearted bowler carried on throughout the innings.

caught and bowled to Robinson and in his 27 was a good sprinkling of fours.

The batsmen were now finding conditions very difficult with the outfield becoming slower, the light falling and the drizzle of rain persisting. Bailey and Whiteley were not daunted by the attack; they met every ball on its merit and were not unsettled by the frequent bowling changes, Bailey eventually being beaten by Crane's faster one for 12. Burnett made a brisk start but was out to a surprising catch by Toddington fielding at square leg close in. Hirst, last man in carried on the fight and after some lovely shots fell to Crane for 14 and the innings ended for 91.

This is the first time Hartshead Moor had got to the final of the Yorkshire Cricket Council and it is to be regretted they had the odds all against them. The conditions for batting in the later stages of the game were very bad. A different tale might have been told had they had their full batting strength available but the stern fight they made will be long remembered and has proved that their proper place is the first division of the Central Yorkshire League.

HANGING HEATON

C. Hepponstall not out	55
D. Duckworth b. Holmes	4
J. Stead h. w. b. Whiteley	33
R. Bowers b. Burnett	4
C. McNair c. Layton b. Hirst	13
R. Robinson not out	35
Extras	6
Total for four wickets (susp)	150

FALL OF WICKETS

1	2	3	4	5
8	66	84	101	150

BOWLING

	O	M	R	W
Holmes	12	4	16	1
Smith	14	4	25	0
Burnett	8	2	20	1
Hirst	23	2	62	1
Whiteley	3	0	17	1
Walker	2	1	14	0

HARTSHEAD MOOR

R. Walker c. Hepponstall	2
b. Haigh	5
D. Layton c. Stenson b. Robinson	5
H. Smith c. and b. Robinson	27
R. Holmes b. Haigh	6
B. Bellwood c. Stenson b. Haigh	0
A. Bailey b. Crane	12
R. Whiteley not out	15
N. Burnett c. Toddington	8
b. Robinson	8
W. Hirst b. Crane	14
Extras	3
Total	91

FALL OF WICKETS

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	32	37	38	43	68	77	91

BOWLING

	O	M	R	W
Haigh	14	2	40	3
Crane	10	3	23	1
Robinson	24	4	16	4
Toddington	6	1	9	0

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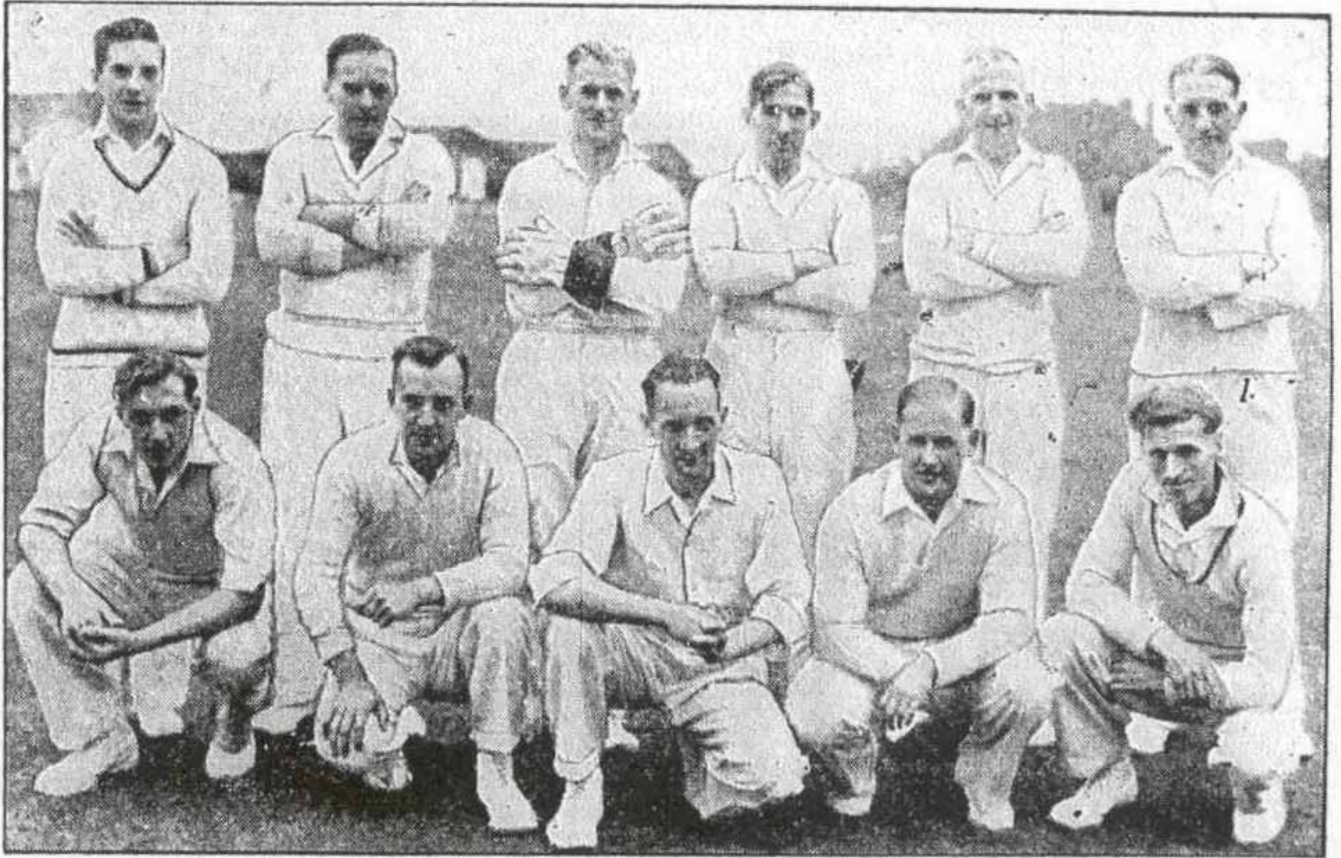
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Hartshead Moor cricket eleven put up a good show in the final of the Yorkshire Council championship, but were unable to pull off a victory.