

Clayton West tied down by superb attack

46th Allsop Cup Final: By DAVID LOCKWOOD

CUMBERWORTH landed their first-ever Allsop Cup success when they upset the odds to defeat holders and League champions Clayton West at Thurstonland.

After winning the toss and choosing to bat, Cumberworth were soon in trouble, having their first three batsmen sent back to the pavilion with only 14 on the board after 11 overs.

Wicketkeeper Jason Senior (21) steadied things with brother James (20), before 16-year-old Ashley Littlewood gave the innings some further stability. The youngster made 34 valuable runs and helped take the score past the 100 mark before falling to Adrian Wilford.

Clayton West bowler Ian Gibson claimed four for 37 from 13.1 overs and Wilford three for 30 from 11 as Cumberworth were finally dismissed for a modest-looking total of 129.

The free-scoring Clayton West batsmen would normally have expected to make light of such a total, but Cumberworth's opening bowlers Richard Greaves and skipper Martin Kilner tied them down with accurate deliveries, backed up by sharp ground fielding and some excellent catches.

Clayton captain Mark England (37) was the only batsmen to get into his stride as Kilner went on to finish with four for 39 from 21 overs, seven of which were maidens.

Cumberworth cheer Allsop Cup success

Players back Lloyd

DAVID LLOYD meets Lord's officials in the next few days hoping his stock value with the England and Wales Cricket Board is as high as it is in the dressing room as he seeks to explain his comments about Sri Lankan spinner Muttiah Muralitharan and his highly-publicised row with Geoff Boycott.



Final line-up — Clayton West skipper Mark England (left) and Cumberworth captain Martin Kilner are pictured with their respective teams before the Central League's Allsop Cup final at Thurstonland

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| Extras | 9 |
| 41.2 overs | Total 113 |
| Kilner (M) 21 7 28-6, Greaves 11 7 14 | |
| 3. Hind 6-3 25-1, Littlewood 1-0 13-0 | |
| Furze 2-3 0 13-2 | |

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| Butcherfield 13 4-28 1, Gibson 10-3 31-0 | |
| Wilford 8 2-3 2, Small 10-3 29 3, Fisher 6 1 20 1 | |
| CLAYTON WEST | |
| Firth not out | 45 |
| Wilford b Peace | 45 |
| Rank (S) b Denison | 10 |
| Rank (C) not out | 1 |

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| Zulliger lbw b Wind | 0 |
| Hatfield c Firth b Benson | 11 |
| Smith c Andrews b Wind | 3 |
| Maitland not out | 9 |
| Dickinson lbw b Halford | 0 |
| Extras | 27 |

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| ALMONDBURY WES v DENBY | |
| Jones c Hirst b Roebuck | 33 |
| Cowan c Hirst b Goodman | 34 |
| Rhodes b Hunt | 44 |
| Harding c Sub b Roebuck | 0 |
| Rawnsley b Roebuck | 2 |

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| Byram lbw b Haigh | 8 |
| Senior b Haigh | 1 |
| Bread not out | 23 |
| Richardson c Whitehead b Barraclough | 9 |
| Akinson not out | 40 |
| Extras | 18 |

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| CLAYTON WEST | |
| Thornhill c Taz b Nugent | 3 |
| McDermott b Facey | 3 |
| Thornhill c Taz b Allente | 30 |
| Lockwood c Akram b Facey | 1 |
| Hunt lbw b Nugent | 1 |
| Marsden c Burhand b Facey | 2 |