

National Cricket League - Fact File



THE NORWICH UNION National Cricket League Fact File goes online this week as a result of the partnership between The Press Association (PA) and the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB). That gives readers the option of getting their copy hot off the press via the ECB website, although copies will continue to be sent by post.

To find your electronic Norwich Union Fact File simply access the ECB site at lords.org and click on the Norwich Union National Cricket League logo. Then follow the prompts and print the pages once they appear on your screen. In the next round of matches Leicestershire Foxes are out to shoot down Kent Spitfires and put two freak results behind them. The Foxes opened their Norwich Union National Cricket League Division One season with ties against Sussex Sharks and Lancashire Lightning, but they should be wary of a dangerous Spitfires bowling attack that reduced Northants Steelbacks to 76 all out in their last outing. Somerset Sabres have not

played a National League game for three weeks - but now take on fellow-promoted side the Steelbacks. Hove hosts the first floodlit action of the season when the Sharks welcome Worcestershire Royals. Yorkshire Phoenix, who have already won and lost against the Royals this season, now meet Gloucestershire Gladiators, who are looking for their third win. In Norwich Union Division Two, Trent Bridge hosts the midlands derby between Nottinghamshire Outlaws and Derbyshire Scorpions. Hampshire Hawks travel to Warwickshire Bears aiming to avoid a repeat of their 97-run defeat at the hands of Neil Smith's side on the opening day of the season. Durham Dynamos tackle Glamorgan Dragons while Surrey Lions hope to build on their two victories to date when they host London rivals Middlesex Crusaders, who have also won twice.



Norwich Union Division One

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

Norwich Union Division Two

	P	W	L	T	NR	Pts
Warwickshire Bears	2	2	0	0	0	8
Surrey Lions	2	2	0	0	0	8
Middlesex Crusaders	3	2	1	0	0	8
Nottinghamshire Outlaws	2	2	0	0	0	8
Essex Eagles	2	1	1	0	0	4
Durham Dynamos	2	0	2	0	0	0
Glamorgan Dragons	2	0	2	0	0	0
Hampshire Hawks	2	0	2	0	0	0
Derbyshire Scorpions	1	0	1	0	0	0



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Results and Fixtures

Best Individual Scores

Name	Score	Teams	Venue
B.F.Smith	90	Foxes v Lightning	Old Trafford
K.A.Parsons	66	Sabres v Gladiators	Taunton
S.C.Ganguly	61	Lightning v Foxes	Old Trafford
M.G.Bevan	59	Sharks v Foxes	Leicester
K.J.Barnett	55	Gladiators v Sharks	Bristol
P.R.Pollard	55	Royals v Phoenix	Headingley

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
J.M.M.Averis	4/21	Gladiators v Sharks	Bristol
M.A.Robinson	4/23	Sharks v Foxes	Leicester
B.J.Phillips	4/25	Spitfires v Steelbacks	Canterbury

Highest Team Totals

Total	Teams	Venue
181	Sabres v Gladiators	Taunton
177 for 7	Lightning v Foxes	Old Trafford
177 for 9	Foxes v Lightning	Old Trafford
173 for 8	Royals v Phoenix	Headingley
173	Gladiators v Sabres	Taunton
164 for 8	Foxes v Sharks	Leicester
164 for 9	Sharks v Foxes	Leicester

Leading Catches (excluding wicket-keepers)

Name	Team	Ctchs	Mtchs
C.J.Adams	Sharks	3	2
R.R.Montgomerie	Sharks	2	2
R.J.Warren	Steelbacks	2	2
K.R.Spiring	Royals	2	2
U.B.A.Rashid	Sharks	2	2
J.R.Carpenter	Sharks	2	2

Lowest Team Totals

Total	Teams	Venue
76	Steelbacks v Spitfires	Canterbury
112	Steelbacks v Gladiators	Northampton
132	Royals v Phoenix	Worcester
135	Sharks v Gladiators	Bristol
145	Gladiators v Sharks	Bristol
173	Gladiators v Sabres	Taunton

Leading Run Scorers

M.G.Bevan (Sharks)	111 (2)
B.F.Smith (Foxes)	109 (2)
K.J.Barnett (Gladiators)	100 (3)
D.S.Lehmann (Phoenix)	85 (2)
P.R.Pollard (Royals)	79 (2)
M.W.Alleyne (Gladiators)	77 (3)

Leading Wicket-takers

J.M.M.Averis (Gladiators)	11 (3)
C.C.Lewis (Foxes)	7 (2)
I.J.Harvey (Gladiators)	7 (3)
G.D.McGrath (Royals)	6 (2)
M.J.Hoggard (Phoenix)	5 (2)
W.J.House (Sharks)	5 (2)

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Best Individual Scores

Name	Score	Teams	Venue
J.E.R.Gallian	74	Outlaws v Dynamos	Trent Bridge
R.A.Smith	71	Hawks v Crusaders	Lord's
N.V.Knight	68*	Bears v Dragons	Edgbaston
G.P.Thorpe	61	Lions v Dragons	Cardiff
N.Hussain	60	Eagles v Crusaders	Chelmsford
N.Hussain	55	Eagles v Outlaws	Chelmsford

Best Individual Bowling

Name	Wkts/Runs	Teams	Venue
A.J.Hollooake	5/29	Lions v Dynamos	Riverside
A.R.C.Fraser	4/18	Crusaders v Eagles	Chelmsford
P.N.Weekes	4/26	Crusaders v Scorpions	Derby
A.J.Hollooake	4/39	Lions v Dragons	Cardiff
A.A.Donald	3/9	Bears v Hawks	Southampton
R.C.Irani	3/10	Eagles v Crusaders	Chelmsford

Highest Team Totals

Total	Teams	Venue
230 for 7	Lions v Dynamos	Riverside
215 for 8	Bears v Hawks	Southampton
209 for 6	Outlaws v Dynamos	Trent Bridge
208 for 6	Dynamos v Outlaws	Trent Bridge
190 for 7	Outlaws v Eagles	Chelmsford
187 for 9	Eagles v Outlaws	Chelmsford
185 for 6	Crusaders v Scorpions	Derby

Leading Catches (excluding wicket-keepers)

Name	Team	Ctchs	Mtchs
P.N.Weekes	Crusaders	4	3
J.L.Langer	Crusaders	3	3
A.F.Giles	Bears	2	1
N.Hussain	Eagles	2	2
M.P.Maynard	Dragons	2	2
S.D.Udal	Hawks	2	2

Lowest Team Totals

Total	Teams	Venue
114	Scorpions v Crusaders	Derby
118	Hawks v Bears	Southampton
125	Dragons v Bears	Edgbaston
143	Eagles v Crusaders	Chelmsford
147	Hawks v Crusaders	Lord's
164	Dynamos v Lions	Riverside
175	Dragons v Lions	Cardiff

Leading Run Scorers

N.Hussain (Eagles)	115 (2)
N.V.Knight (Bears)	114 (2)
R.A.Smith (Hawks)	83 (2)
O.A.Shah (Crusaders)	79 (3)
J.E.R.Gallian (Outlaws)	78 (2)
J.E.Morris (Outlaws)	77 (2)

Leading Wicket-takers

A.J.Hollooake (Lions)	9 (2)
A.R.C.Fraser (Crusaders)	8 (3)
P.N.Weekes (Crusaders)	8 (3)
R.L.Johnson (Crusaders)	6 (3)
S.K.Warne (Hawks)	5 (2)
P.J.Franks (Outlaws)	5 (2)

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