

Beware Record Chasing Notts

Between 14th September 2012 & 3rd June 2015 Leicestershire played 38 County Championship matches without winning. A record that holds good as the longest period without a win. Be warned Nottinghamshire are in hot pursuit of this Foxes record. It was 23 June 2018 when Notts last won a game. Whilst not in the same league as Leicestershire they are now on a roll of 24 matches without a win, a remarkable fact given the 'Big County' status of our test playing neighbours.

There has always been a fierce rivalry which in years gone by was largely confined to on the field confrontation. In recent years it is disappointing that comments from some quarters at Trent Bridge belittling 'lill 'ol' Leicestershire have grown louder. I suspect they have never really got over that T20 defeat in the 2006 final when Stuart Broad bowled a perfectly fair delivery (not a No Ball as some seem to think)



Congratulations to Sam Evans whos 85 against Durham was his highest score for the Foxes in 1st class cricket. His previous best was 29 when he bacame the first concussion replacement for Leicestershire taking over from Harry Dearden in the match at Derby in 2018.

A score he equalled on his Foxes debut in September 2017 against Northants.

Sam does have a 1st class 100 – 114 also against Northants from his university days playing for Loughborough MCCU.

His 3 overs for 22 in the first innings against Durham was his debut with the ball for Foxes



Unfortunately the weather had the final word in last week's encounter with Durham. Just when an unlikely victory was taking shape the rain came down again and put paid to any chance of a conclusion. More than half the scheduled overs were lost over the 4 days and with the Captains contriving a 1 innings game for the final day an exciting finish was in prospect until the rain returned



With the Vitality Blast T20 starting next week with 2 games at the FCG against Derbys on Thursday and Lancashire on Saturday you can support the foxes with their Fox in the Crowd initiative. We will be endeavouring to get as many pictures as possible of the faces in the crowd, let us know if you want us to grab a shot of you



Leicestershire

v Nottinghamshire

Matches 1st Played in 1894

Total 173 Leicestershire Won 32 Lost 64 Drawn 77 Abandoned 2

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| Highest total by Leicestershire | | | |
| 523-7 Dec | B.Hodge 302* P.Nixon 65 | Trent Bridge | 2003 |
| Highest total by Nottinghamshire | | | |
| 739-7 Dec | J.Gunn 294 W.Gunn 139 J.Dixon 104 | Trent Bridge | 1903 |
| Lowest Total by Leicestershire | | | |
| 53 | H.Snary 18 | Trent Bridge | 1932 |
| Lowest Total by Nottinghamshire | | | |
| 58 | R.Illingworth 7-18 | Grace Road | 1974 |
| Highest individual score for Leicestershire | | | |
| 302* | B.Hodge | Trent Bridge | 2003 |
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| 294 | J.Gunn | Trent Bridge | 1903 |
| Best Bowling in innings for Leicestershire | | | |
| 8-44 | A.Skelding | Aylestone Rd | 1924 |
| Best bowling innings for Nottinghamshire | | | |
| 8-43 | T.Richmond | Aylestone Rd | 1922 |
| Best bowling in Match for Leicestershire | | | |
| 15-136 | A.Woodcock | Grace Road | 1894 |
| Best bowling in Match for Nottinghamshire | | | |
| 13-76 | T.Richmond | Trent Bridge | 1920 |
| Highest Partnerships for Leicestershire | | | |
| 1 st Wkt - 206 | J.Balderstone & J.Steele | Hinckley | 1981 |
| 2 nd Wkt - 241 | A.Knight & J.King | Trent Bridge | 1903 |
| 3 rd Wkt - 305 | J.Balderstone & B.Davison | Grace Road | 1975 |
| 4 th Wkt - 278 | B.Hodge & P.Nixon | Trent Bridge | 2003 |
| 5 th Wkt - 322 | B.Smith & P.Simmons | Worksop | 1998 |
| 6 th Wkt - 112 | B.Hodge & J.Snape | Trent Bridge | 2003 |
| 7 th Wkt - 116 | N.Briers & J.Agnew | Grace Road | 1990 |
| 8 th Wkt - 110 | G.Berry & J.Firth | Trent Bridge | 1951 |
| 9 th Wkts - 102 | W.Astill & F.Bale | Trent Bridge | 1927 |
| 10 th Wkt - 97 | O.Gibson & J.Dakin | Grace Road | 2004 |

The last Championship match against Notts was in 2017 when we were roundly beaten by an innings & 280 runs, this followed from the first match of the same season when Notts relegated the season before beat the Foxes at Grace Rd.

Prior to that the previous meeting in the Championship had been 10 years earlier in 2007 at Oakham School

Leicestershire have not beaten Notts in the County Championship since the victory in May 2004. A side containing Paul Nixon, Phil DeFreitas & Otis Gibson won by 92 runs. The Notts side included Charlie Shrek, Ryan Sidebottom and Kevin Pietersen