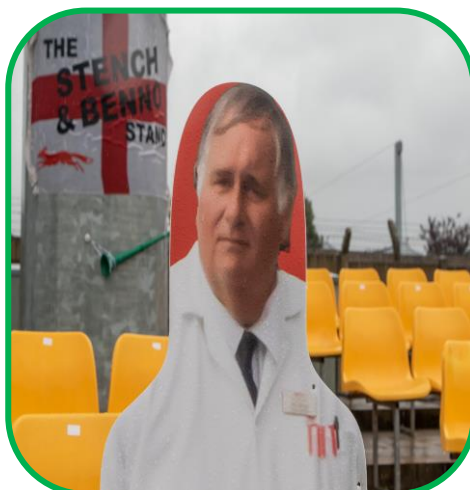


## Foxes in the Crowd



**It was no surprise** that as soon as the rain started to fall around lunchtime on Thursday we would struggle to get any sort of game against the Derbyshire Flacons. And so it proved, the opening game of this year's Blast campaign going the same way as last years with an abandonment. Whilst most games suffered the same fate, Saturday's visitors for the next round Lancashire Lightning managed to complete a drubbing of Durham with Keaton Jennings smashing 108 off 63 balls.

The Foxes will need to be on their best form to take on the challenge of a strong Lightning side. With Matty Parkinson restored to fitness, we can look forward to another sequel to the cricketing version of 'Twins' when the brothers Callum and Matt go head to head.



### Big Phill Wright

When the club launched the initiative to have a virtual crowd at T20 matches FoxyPhill came up with the idea of ordering a cut out of long time dressing room attendant at Grace Rd, Phil Wright. Phil was very poorly and hospitalised earlier in the year and whilst now convalescing at home is missed by all at the FCG. It soon became apparent that many regulars wanted to support the initiative, to the extent that the initial cost was soon raised and more besides. This is the first picture of Phil's face in the crowd at a damp FCG on Thursday. The plan is to take some more snaps hopefully with a player or two and Nico alongside, have these printed up, framed and sent to Phil as a memento

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# Foxes v Lightning T20 Stats

Matches 1<sup>st</sup> Played in 2003

Total 30 Leicestershire Won 8 Lost 18 Tied 2 Abandoned 2

<b>Highest total by Leicestershire</b>			
207 – 3	M.Pettini 76 C.Delport 68	Grace Road	2016
<b>Highest total by Lancashire</b>			
198 – 4	A.Petersen	Grace Road	2016
<b>Lowest Total by Leicestershire</b>			
105	P.Nixon 37	Grace Road	2008
<b>Lowest Total by Lancashire</b>			
127 – 9	M.Hoggard 3-19	Old Trafford	2010
<b>Highest individual score for Leicestershire</b>			
86*	M.Nabi (32 Balls)	Old Trafford	2018
<b>Highest individual score for Lancashire</b>			
103*	A.Petersen (52 Balls)	Grace Road	2016
<b>Best Bowling in innings for Leicestershire</b>			
5-21	J.Allenby (Econ Rate 7.0)	Old Trafford	2008
<b>Best bowling innings for Lancashire</b>			
4-17	L.Livingstone (Econ Rate 4.25)	Grace Road	2018
<b>Highest Partnerships for Leicestershire</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> Wkt – 79	J.Cobb & A.McDonald	Grace Road	2011
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wkt – 140	M.Pettini & C.Delport	Grace Road	2016
3 <sup>rd</sup> Wkt – 93	HD.Ackerman & H.Dippenaar	Old Trafford	2008
4 <sup>th</sup> Wkt – 92	A.Razzaq & M.Boyce	Old Trafford	2012
5 <sup>th</sup> Wkt – 58	M.Boyce & W.White	Old Trafford	2012
6 <sup>th</sup> Wkt – 102*	A.Javid & M.Nabi	Old Trafford	2018
7 <sup>th</sup> Wkt – 66*	A.Razzaq & W.White	Old Trafford	2011
8 <sup>th</sup> Wkt – 34	E.Eckersley & R.Taylor	Grace Road	2013
9 <sup>th</sup> Wkts – 9*	E.Eckersley & C.Henderson	Grace Road	2012
10 <sup>th</sup> Wkt – 5*	P.DeFreitas & M.Cleary	Old Trafford	2004

In the encounters down the years the 2017 game against Lancs at Liverpool stands out. Having completed a 4 day game against Sussex at Arundel the day before the Foxes were expected to travel the 260 miles to Liverpool to take on the Lightning. Leics were set a challenging 174 to win. When Matt Pillans was run out of the 5<sup>th</sup> ball of the last over 2 were required. Upstep Ackers, making his T20 debut in the UK he smashed the last ball for 6. Foxes won by 3 wickets !!

The other stand out encounter was of course the semi-final of the 2011 competition at Edgbaston. Batting first Foxes innings had been reduced to 18 overs because of rain interruptions and when Lancs innings lost 7 overs the initial target of 134 was reduced to 80 off 11. Lancs finished on 79 and with scores tied a 'Super Over' ensued. The Steven's Moore & Croft took 13 off the Claude Henderson over but Lancs couldn't contain Will Jefferson who hit 15 off 4 balls faced to see Foxes into the final with a ball to spare...and we all know what happened in that !