

Season Update

Carlton's previous outing saw the Grange Loan side put together a comprehensive all-round performance to crush Uddingston by 163 runs.

After a solid opening stand between skipper Cedric English and Scotland opener Fraser Watts (right), Uddingston turned to spin to slow the Carlton progress. An entertaining knock from master sweeper Jamie Kerr wrested the initiative back towards the home side, while Fraser proceeded to a stylish and chanceless century. A flurry of late wickets saw Carlton fail to use up their full 50 overs as they totalled 253.

With Ali Evans dismissing visiting dangerman Paul Hoffman in the first over, Uddingston's hopes rested on their Aussie pro Tom Plant. When he was dismissed by Charles Legget, thanks to a spectacular diving catch by Ross Lyons, the end looked in sight and, with Ali Evans delivering a fiery second spell from the Lovers' Loan end, it wasn't long before the visitors were dismissed for just 90. Charles Legget finished with 3 for 25 while Ali cemented his Scotland call-up with a fine 5 for 41.



	P	W	T	L	BP	Pts	%age
Aberdeenshire	13	10	0	3	8	88	68
Grange	14	9	1	4	14	91	65
Clydesdale	14	10	0	4	8	88	63
West of Scotland	15	9	0	6	18	90	60
Carlton	12	6	1	5	8	61	51
Uddingston	15	8	0	7	10	74	49
Scot Under 19s	10	5	0	5	8	48	48
Watsonians	14	6	0	8	13	61	44
Greenock	14	5	0	9	8	48	34
Heriot's	15	5	0	10	8	48	32
Ayr	14	1	0	13	10	18	13

Today we wish a warm welcome to Grange Loan to President Ronnie MacIntyre and the Heriot's supporters. The Goldenacre club, like ourselves, have been ever-present in the top flight since the formation of the SNCL in 1999. Initially they adapted well to the national league, finishing second in the first two years. That form has eluded them recently, however, and they have not ended up in the top half of the table for 5 years. The records show the visitors finished above Carlton in each of the first seven years of the competition, but the positions have been reversed for the last three.

Currently lying in ninth place in the table. Heriot's only victories have come against already relegated Ayr (home and away), Watsonians, Carlton (in the corresponding fixture at Goldenacre) and fellow strugglers Greenock. In form with the bat this term have been skipper Steve Knox, Gavin McIntyre, Steven Lister and Qasim Ashraf. With the ball, professional Cameron Farrell and youngster Anthony Edington have taken most wickets.

As you might expect the visitors have a good record against Carlton, winning 8 times in the SNCL against only four victories for the home side (although we did get the better of a draw at Grange Loan in 2000). All four of those wins came at today's venue although the visitors have also found this a happy hunting ground with three wins, most recently in 2006. In fact there have only been two casualties to the weather at Grange Loan, while six matches have been lost at Goldenacre. Let's hope that record is extended today.

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Carlton

1. Cedric English*
2. Ben Duerden
3. Bryn Lockie
4. Stevie Gilmour
5. Jamie Kerr #
6. Tom Barrett
7. Rajan Bhopal
8. Omar Ahmad
9. Ali Evans
10. Tom Clarke
11. Steven Elder

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Heriot's (from)

1. Steven Knox*
2. Qasim Ashraf
3. Chris Goddard
4. Cameron Farrell
5. Gavin McIntyre #
6. Stephen Litster
7. David Ross
8. Jamie Innes
9. Anthony Edington
10. Asim Butt
11. Ali Farooq
12. Chris Jones Jnr
13. Andre Van Niekerk