

cricket

Gillette Cup

ESSEX v KENT
At Leyton.

HANTS. v LANCS.
At Bournemouth.

WORCS. v SURREY
At Worcester.

WARWICKS. v GLAM.
At Birmingham.

Tour match

SCOTLAND v AUSTRALIANS
At Perth.

Minor Counties

BEDS. v CAMBS.
At Luton.

Football numbers

United A 12115 (£40), B 29535 (£40), C 36025 (£40).

City C 41291 (£30), B 18584 (£10), lucky numbers 23, 8, 80, 44, 77, 71, 32, 16, 26, 87, 14.

Sportsmen's Guild 12270 (£10), lucky numbers 88, 49, 5, 75, 27, 76, 85, 4, 32, 63.

DALE LASHES 82 OF 100

An astonishing 82 out of 100 by opener Grenville Dale could not save Mildenhall from defeat in the first game of their Shropshire tour this week. Dale survived a lively pitch early on to crack 13 boundaries before being fifth out at 100 against Brewood. Only Malcolm Grubb (11) otherwise reached double

figures and the innings collapsed to 110 all out. Brewood hit off the runs for the loss of two wickets. Yesterday's game at Newport was washed out with Newport on 67 for three after 20 overs. Mildenhall were today due to meet Shifnal, Wroxeter tomorrow and Wellington on Friday.

Chris waits to defend title

Heavy rain caused the loss of three hours' play in the Bury and West Suffolk junior tennis tournament at the Victory ground, Bury St. Edmunds, yesterday and, with so large an entry, the organisers could ill afford a backlog of matches. The boys' champion, Chris Heron, a Cambridge junior county

player, has yet to play around in the defence of his title. His brother, Mike, went down 0-6, 3-6 in the second round of the boys' under-15 singles. Christopher Narbora, from Wisbech met with more success in the same event, beating Peter Downham 6-3, 6-4. Cambridgeshire junior county

BY HAYDN EMERY

Cambridge United face A.S.O. Ostend from Belgium pre-season friendly tonight not knowing quite what visitors play in the Third Division of the Belgian apparently have plenty of money and are confident this season.

Bill Coldwell, the general manager of Stevenage, who has arranged their tour in England and matches against United and Colchester, describes them as a quick, skilled team who do not rely on physical tactics.

They are managed by Norberto Hofflink, who played more than 90 games for Rumania while playing club football for Budapest, Dynamo Kiev, Torina and lastly Juventus. He has also managed the top Belgian clubs of Feyenoord, Anderlecht and F.C. Bruges.

Apparently he has been brought in to restore Ostend's ailing fortunes of the last three years and substantial financial support has been made available to achieve this aim.

The squad to play United includes two English players, Dennis Allen, formerly of Bournemouth, and Billy Meadows, who was with Hereford last season. The team also includes a German, Hans Meyer, who was signed from Hamburg.

"I don't quite know what to expect, but we have cut the grass for them," joked United manager Bill Leivers today.

The manager added: "All I know is that they are supposed to be a good side and if that is so it should be an entertaining match, better than last Saturday against Norwich when my players played together for the first time this season."

United will not name their team to start the match until later today, but in any case the manager expects to use all his squad.

Sent-off O'Mara awaits report

John O'Mara, Brentford's 6ft 4in striker, will wait until his club receives the referee's report, before deciding whether to appeal against his sending off in a friendly game away to Southern League club, Hillingdon Borough last night.

O'Mara was booked three times and then suspended for five weeks midway through last season.

He scored 27 goals and attracted a lot of attention from clubs interested in signing him—P.A.

player, Elaine Oxford, featured in a marathon of a match in the girls' under-18 handicap singles, eventually beating a Bury girl, Lucinda Hubbard, 6-5, 5-5, 9-7 to go through to the third round.

Elaine now meets Jeny Hay again, the girl she defeated on Monday in the level events.

DEVON & EXETER
2.30 1 ARCTIC TALKER 7/2 2 BOLLIV
BOY 6/1 3 GARVA 4/5 F
3.0 1 ROSS MURDER 2/1 F 2 GAY
PRINCE 8/1 3 BOBSTAY 8/1
3.30 1 ADJUDICATOR 8/11 F 2
STEAMER 14/1 3 CRUISER RM 5/4
4.0 1 QUICK BREN 3/1 2 ABOVE
THE GROUND 14/1 3 POLISH HARD 3/1

PORTSMOUTH
2.45 1 ORPA 4/5 F 2 VILLIARA
25/1 3 COMPENSATOR 3/1
3.15 1 ARCTIC 6 9/4 F 2 MINISTER
LOVELL 5/2 3 REPOR 5/1
3.45 1 DANIEL 5/1 2 EL CREDO 3/1
3 Medicinal compound 13/8 F

STRAKY BACON 1/2 3 CASSIDA 4/1
3.45 1 GYSEY PRINCE 3/1 2
Repeat 4/1 3 BLAVENIDA 2/1 F
4.15 1 BELLE BERGENE 9/2 2
Broken Folly 3/1 F 3 ALPOCKET
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