

### **Inter Insular #36 1987**

The match was played at College Field, Guernsey  
on Sunday 16th August 1987

for the John Haig Scotch Whisky Trophy

50 overs per side

Umpires John Mountford (Guernsey) and Ben Alexander (Jersey)

Scorers Richard Gauvain (Guernsey) and Pauline Kelly (Jersey)

Toss won by Jersey who elected to field

Guernsey won by 35 runs

### **PREVIEW**

Jersey have not included former Surrey and England batsman John Edrich in their team to play Guernsey in the Haig Trophy match at the College Field next Sunday. Andy Gibbs captains a team which reads: Gibbs, John Holmes, Chris Ollerenshaw, Ward Jenner, Stuart Robson, Mark Bailey, Paul Robson, Steve Carlyon, Alan Pitman, Colin Graham and Barry Middleton.

Former Cobo player Wayne Gallichan is the 12th man. The team is full of batting and in Middleton and Graham, Jersey have a fearsome new-ball attack. Guernsey's cricket selectors have named only four main bowlers for Sunday's inter-insular match against Jersey at the College Field. Seamers Mike Kinder and Keith Le Cheminant and spinners Warren Barrett and Ralph Anthony are the only regular bowlers in the side, which is to be skippered by Jon Ravenscroft.

Another surprise is the selection of Optimists' Ian Damarell to keep wicket in a side which does not contain a Pilgrims player. The full team is: Jon Ravenscroft (Pessimists, captain), Ricky Mills (Rovers), Warren Barrett (Optimists), Ralph Anthony (Salemities), Peter Vidamour (Tortevites), Tony Masterton (Salemities), Ian Damarell (Optimists), Alastair Tapp (Tortevites), Mark Bacon (Pessimists), Mike Kinder (Pessimists), Keith Le Cheminant (Tortevites). 12th man Gary Tapp (St Saviours)

Guernsey Press

'Island selectors put league men out to grass' by Rob Batiste

Whatever the outcome of tomorrow's Haig Trophy match between Guernsey and Jersey at the College Field, the local selectors deserve praise in giving preference to those players who have turned out regularly on the surface on which it is being played – grass. The 11 players selected are among the

island's most active. In addition to GCA league and cup commitments they turn out frequently for the Guernsey Island Cricket Club, Guernsey Touring Cricket Club or, in Mark Bacon's case, Elizabeth College.

There may be one or two more talented players who are not in the side, but they have, almost certainly, paid the penalty for playing GCA cricket only. The policy is fair enough by me, especially in a year when players who do not turn out for GICC or GTCC have hardly set the world alight.

Although Keith Le Cheminant is the only new cap in the Guernsey side, it is not a particularly experienced team, Mark Bacon, Alastair Tapp, Peter Vidamour and Tony Masterton having played only four Haig Trophy matches between them. At the other end of the scale Ricky Mills will be making a record-breaking 21st appearance and Warren Barrett his 20th. Ralph Anthony will be playing in his 12th Guernsey-Jersey game and Ian Damarell his seventh. Among the players given serious consideration but who did not quite make it were the Pilgrims trio of Paul Wakeford, Andy Burkhardt and Hugh Bromley. Cobo's Mike Webber and St Saviour's wicket-keeper Paul Smith. The name of Bromley might raise a few eyebrows but he has played a good deal of GICC cricket this season and did not hinder his cause by scoring a fine century for GICC the week the Island team was picked.

Wakeford, who has played in the last four Guernsey-Jersey games, has, to my knowledge, played only one match on the College Field this summer, as have Burkhardt and Webber.

Smith must be disappointed not to have held on to the keeper's place, especially after his blinder in the Under-23 game. He can count himself unlucky to have lost out to Ian Damarell who is a lesser keeper and better batsman.

Turning to the match itself, Guernsey will have their work cut out to improve on their won three, lost six record since the match became a limited overs affair. Guernsey won the last encounter at the College Field, and their victory hopes tomorrow are enhanced by home advantage. Both teams are strong in batting, Jersey have the edge in the pace bowling department and Guernsey the better spinners.

Guernsey go into the game with just four front-line bowlers, Mike Kinder and Keith Le Cheminant providing the seam, Warren Barrett and Ralph Anthony the spin. Jon Ravenscroft, the Guernsey captain, is one of three possible back-up bowlers.

The majority of Jersey's overs could well be sent down by pacemen Barry Middleton and Colin Graham. Also available to skipper Andy Gibbs, however, are Steve Carlyon (most impressive in the Under-23 game), and the two left-arm spinners Chris Ollerenshaw and Alan Pitman. Stuart Robson, a younger brother of Paul, is one of two debutants for Jersey, the other being Old Victorian Graham. The teams in probable batting order are:

Guernsey: Ricky Mills, Tony Masterton, Peter Vidamour, Ralph Anthony, Warren Barrett, Jon Ravenscroft, Mark Bacon, Alastair Tapp, Ian Damarell, Mike Kinder, Keith Le Cheminant.

Jersey: Ward Jenner, John Holmes, Chris Ollerenshaw, Andy Gibbs, Mark Bailey, Paul Robson, Stuart Robson, Steve Carlyon, Alan Pitman, Colin Graham, Barry Middleton.

The Jersey team contains no fewer than seven left-handers, the odd men out being Gibbs, Jenner, Bailey and Middleton. The match is due to start at 11am and is of 50 overs per side.



Guernsey's successful team at College Field

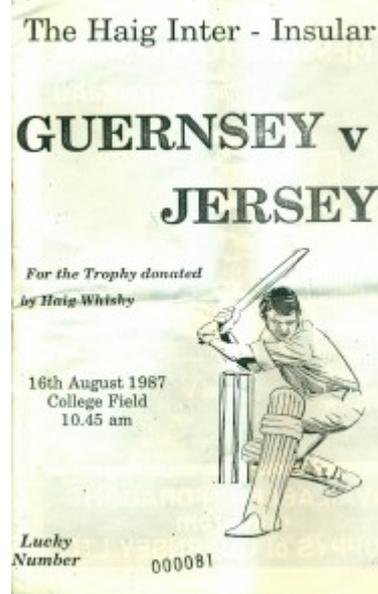
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Alastair Tapp	Tony Masterton	Mike Kinder	Keith Le Chemionant	Pete
	Vidamour	Warren Barrett	Ian Damarell	
Mark Bacon	Gary Tapp (12th man)	Jon Ravenscroft (Capt)	Ralph	
	Anthony	Ricky Mills		

## **MATCH**

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'Ian stars in superb victory by Guernsey in inter-island game' by Rob Batiste



Ian Damarell leaves Guernsey for Australia next month with the perfect going away present, the Haig Trophy man-of-the-match award. A surprise selection even though wicket-keeper / batsman Damarell played a starring role as the Sarnians pulled off a superb 35-run victory over Jersey at the College Field yesterday. Damarell won his award from under the noses of Alastair Tapp, whose 40 in a 72-run eighth wicket partnership with Damarell gave Guernsey a glimmer of hope after a disastrous start, and the spinners Ralph Anthony and Warren Barrett who each claimed four wickets.

Guernsey's answer to the Sydney Hill had plenty to shout about as their side set Jersey 162 to win in 50 overs and the Caesareans slowly, but steadily, slid to their second successive defeat on Sarnian soil. But back to the start. After Jersey skipper Andy Gibbs had won the toss, Guernsey struggled throughout the morning session. Peter Vidamour and Tony Masterton took nine runs off the opening two overs but Middleton struck with the third ball of his second over, bowling the burly Salemite for four. On the same score two overs later Middleton did the trick again. This time Ricky Mills failed to keep down a rising ball from the Yorkshireman and Mark Bailey took a very fine one-handed catch at short leg.

Vidamour and Ralph Anthony gradually steadied the ship but after the pair had put on 35 for the third wicket Vidamour, who had played particularly well in a

52-minute stay, was bowled by a pearler from Middleton. Anthony will have been less happy with his dismissal two runs later. The left-hander slashed wildly outside his off stump and keeper Holmes took a straightforward catch off Carlyon's bowling.



Pete Vidamour bowled by Barry Middleton

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Worse was to come. Over the next 25 minutes Guernsey sank to 79 for seven and were staring down the barrel of a gun. The 54 year old Warren Barrett

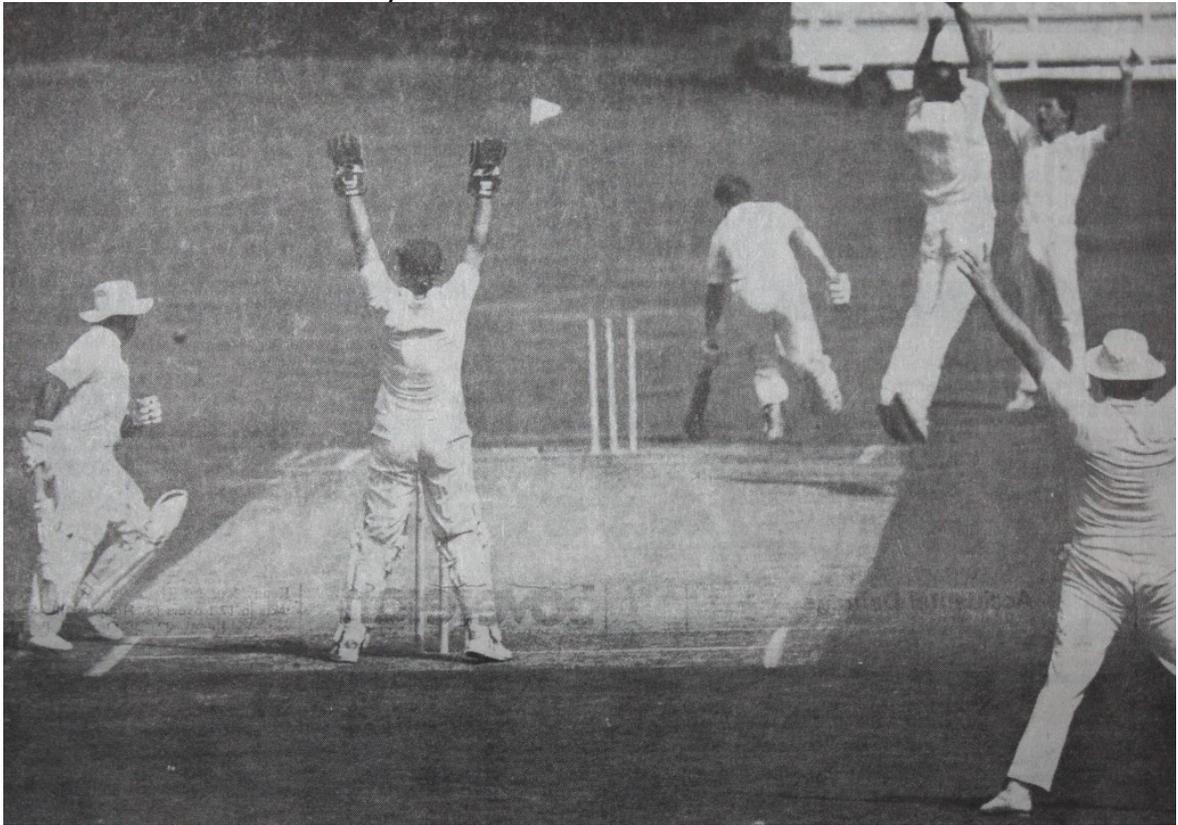
played a full toss into the hands of mid-on with the total on 55 and with the score on 79 Colin Graham snapped up the wickets of Jon Ravenscroft and Mark Bacon in the space of four balls. Ravenscroft, who had added 24 with Alastair Tapp, drove at a wide ball from Graham and Ward Jenner took a sharp catch just off the ground at cover. Three balls later Graham pitched short to Bacon and the youngster, seemingly in two minds whether to hook or leave alone, only succeeded in offering a straightforward catch to slip.



Jon Ravenscroft tucks Colin Graham to leg for a single while Alastair Tapp backs up GEP

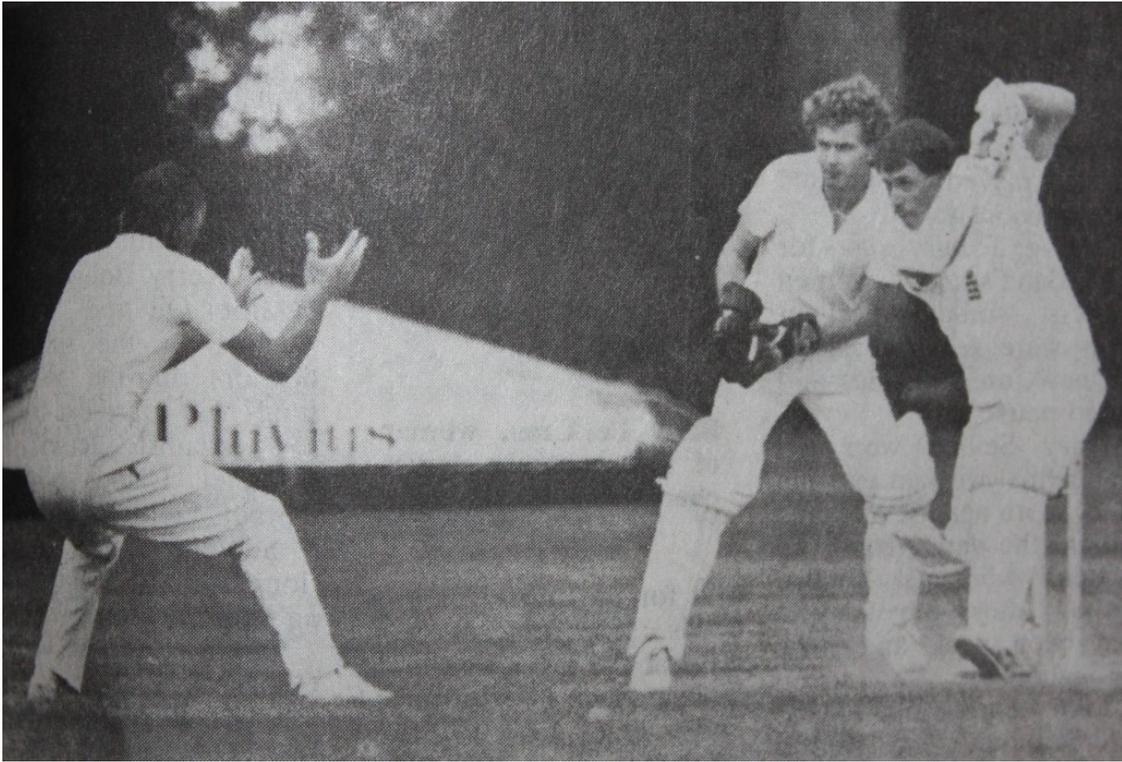
Suddenly Guernsey were left with just three wickets intact and half of their overs remaining. They had to bat out 50 overs. The situation called for sensible, no risk batting and Guernsey's eighth-wicket pair of Tapp and Damarell are hardly two players you would expect to fit the bill. But, they did and in so doing gave Guernsey the kiss of life. At lunch the pair had added 22 in 35 minutes and after the break they opened their shoulders to score a further 50 from just nine overs. Tapp was finally out in the 48th over – bowled

by spinner Alan Pitman making room for himself – having faced 94 deliveries for his 40. Damarell was still there at the close, however, having scored a very fine 38 in a 77-minutes stay.



Run out appeal against Jon Ravenscroft goes in the batsman's favour GEP

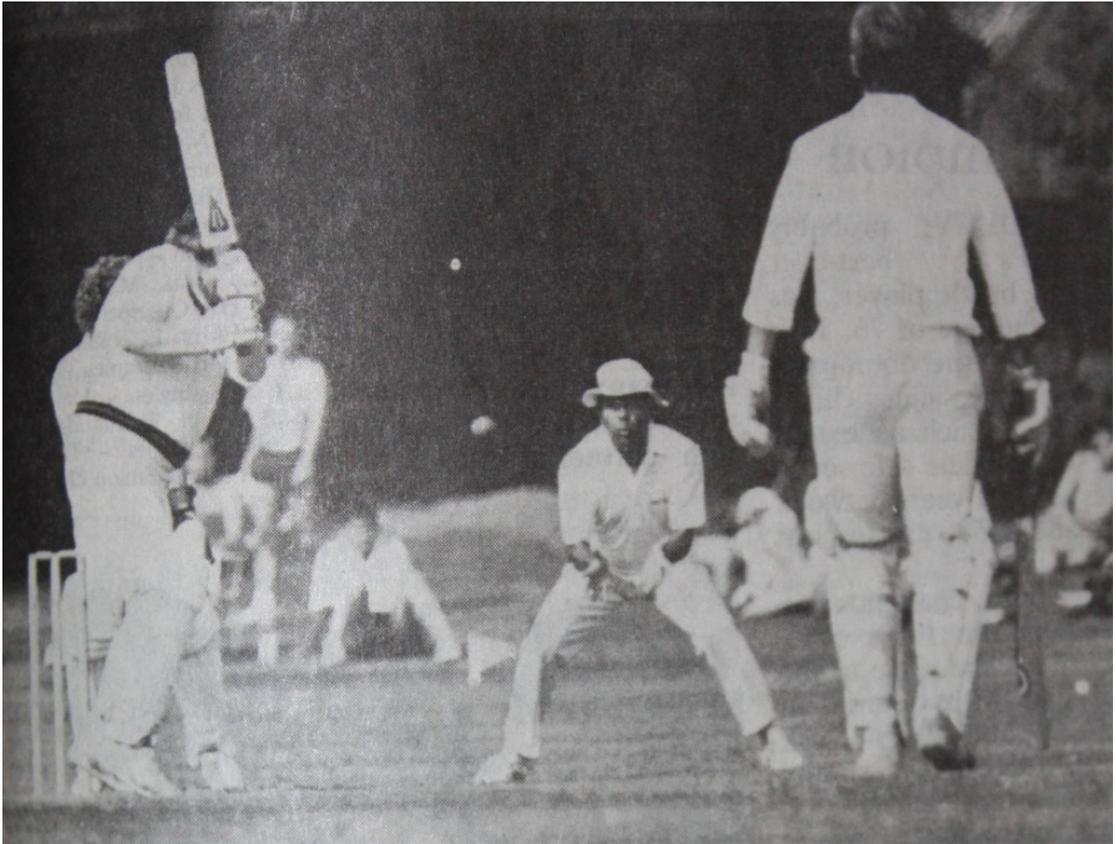
Nevertheless, on a good pitch, 162 looked well within the capabilities of a strong Jersey batting side. Jersey and everyone in the ground for that matter did not bargain for losing John Holmes to the first ball of their innings which was bowled by new cap Keith Le Cheminant. Holmes has a history of success in Guernsey-Jersey games but not this time. The left-hander fished outside off stump and Ian Damarell comfortably took the catch.



Andy Gibbs drives past close fielder Ricky Mills

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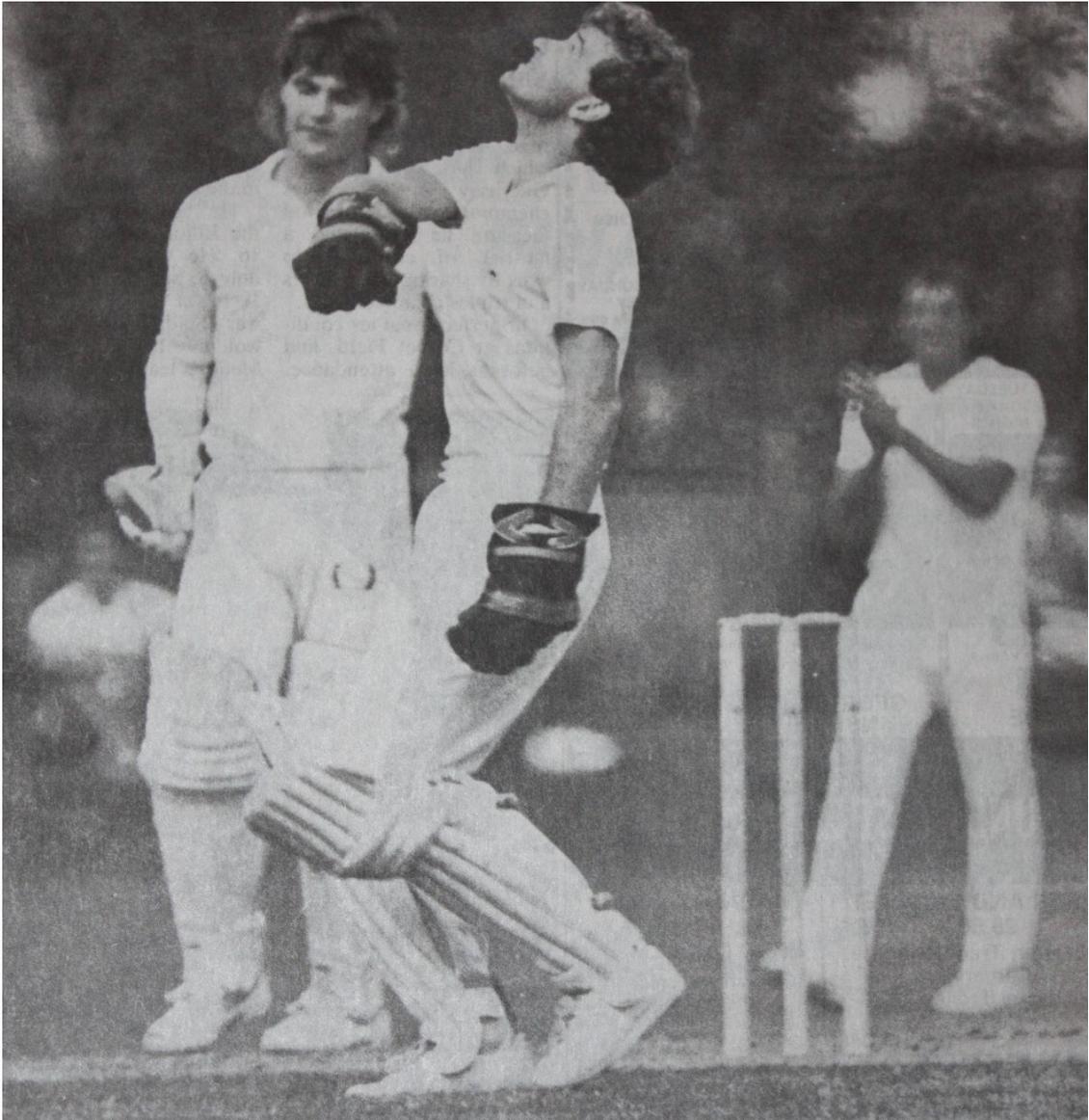
Stuart Robson and Chris Ollerenshaw made slow but sure progress in a second-wicket stand of 53 which threatened to win the game, but once Robson had been superbly stumped by Damarell off Anthony, Jersey subsided. Ollerenshaw was next to go edging a catch to Barrett at slip off Anthony and Jersey became 67 for four when Barrett bowled Paul Robson behind his legs.



Warren Barrett about to catch Chris Ollerenshaw at slip

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Mark Bailey hammered the Guernsey bowlers all around Grainville last year and threatened to do so again until he lofted a catch to Le Cheminant at wide long on – 73 for five. The match then swung back in Jersey’s favour with a fine stand between two of the Caesareans’ youngest players, Ward Jenner and Steve Carlyon. The sixth-wicket pair added 31 in 19 minutes and it may have been over-confidence which led to Carlyon’s downfall with the score on 104, caught at the wicket off the third ball of Mike Kinder’s second spell.



Ian Damarell dismisses Steve Carlyon off Mike Kinder

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Believe it or not, Ward Jenner was put on his backside by a bouncer from Mike Kinder GEP Guernsey were back ion the driving seat and the game seemed as good as over when two more wickets fell, both to Anthony, for the addition of just three more runs.

Colin Graham tried to hit Jersey out of trouble but he was ninth man out with victory still 36 runs away, Damarell making another fine stumping off Barrett on this occasion. Guernsey did not have to wait much longer for their victory drink. The very next ball Barry Middleton chanced his arm and Masterton took the catch at long on.

After the match Guernsey skipper Jon Ravenscroft collected the Haig Trophy from Shirley Fooks, wife of the Guernsey Cricket Council President, Mick Fooks, and Damarell received his man-of-the-match award from jersey Cricket Association President, Ray Pearce.



Ian Damarell with his man-of-the-match award  
presented by Ray Pearce

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## **REVIEW**

Guernsey Press

'Alastair and Ian change their style to rescue Guernsey' by Rob Batiste  
Application has never been the strength of either Alastair Tapp or Ian Damarell. Very few local batsmen are more attack minded, so their gutsy, no risk batting for Guernsey against Jersey at the College Field on Sunday was quite remarkable. It was also a face-saving effort. Coming together at 79 for seven and with almost half the side's overs remaining Guernsey were sliding towards an embarrassing defeat until their intervention.

Damarell picked up the man-of-the-match award -he also made two smart stumpings at critical times – but Tapp's efforts, and also that of the spinners, Warren Barrett and Ralph Anthony, deserve special mention. Guernsey's out cricket was also excellent. Jon Ravenscroft, assisted no doubt by the island's best cricketing brain (vice-captain Ricky Mills), handled his side very well. On a good pitch – take a bow groundsman John Cockayne – and in beautiful weather, the match was always intriguing. The only disappointment was that both set of batsmen, Tapp and Damarell excluded of course, failed to take advantage of the conditions.

Well done, too, to the 'Hill', who formed a large part of a disappointingly small crowd and gave the Guernsey side no end of encouragement. Amusing to the end, and a good deal less sober for that matter, their support was undoubtedly a factor in Guernsey's success. All in all, it was a great day's entertainment and the right side won!