

**HURLEY 2<sup>nd</sup> v Taplow 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Date: 7<sup>th</sup> May**

**Played at Taplow**

**Innings of Hurley 2<sup>nd</sup>**

I. Arshad		b. Hill	8
P. Hunjan	c. Bond	b. Moffat	12
S. Taylor		b. Hill	0
J. Taylor		b. Fernando	32
Y. Ali		b. Fernando	54
M. Walton	c. Paskins	b. Moffat	26
M. Iqbal	c. Jordan	b. Hill	6
C. Williams	LBW	b. Hill	4
S. Hawes		b. Hill	0
D. Pollitt		c. & b. Fernando	16
D. Walton	Not out		2
		Extras	27
		Total	187
		For	10

**Bowling**

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
B. Moffat	11	1	35	2
A. Hill	15	4	38	5
D. Mahmood	5	0	27	0
D. Jones	6	0	27	0
T. Fernando	13.1	3	51	3

## Innings of Taplow 2<sup>nd</sup>

N. Heaton		b. Hunjan	13
C. Paskins	c. S. Taylor	b. J. Taylor	48
L. Andrew	st. M. Walton	b. D. Walton	68
T. Fernando	LBW	b. D. Walton	1
S. Jordan	Not out		31
G. Street	Not out		7
		Extras	20
		Total	188
		For	4

## Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
I. Arshad	4	0	27	0
P. Hunjan	6	1	26	1
D. Pollitt	4	0	16	0
S. Taylor	5	1	29	0
S. Hawes	3	0	21	0
D. Walton	7	0	33	2
J. Taylor	1	0	16	1
M. Iqbal	5.2	1	16	0

## Result: Taplow 2<sup>nd</sup> won by 6 wickets.

After their opening week win, Hurley 2s were brought back down to earth at Taplow. Mike Walton called correctly and opted to bat first on what looked to be a good batting wicket, however looks can be deceptive and the variable bounce did no favours to the batsmen. Imran Arshad rode his luck early on, being dropped twice in the slips and once at point in his brief innings before a seaming delivery from Alister Hill (5-38) put him out of his misery. Hill followed up with a perfect ball to dismiss the inform Steve Taylor and after ten overs the visitors were struggling at 23 for 2. In the next over Billy Moffat found the edge of Parvinder Hunjan's bat and Taplow skipper Andy Bond held on to the catch at slip. The Hurley middle order showed more resilience than the top three; James Taylor (32), Yasir Ali (54) and Mike Walton (26) helped get the innings back on track. Taylor and Ali added 82 in 14 overs for the fourth wicket before the excitable Sri Lankan spinner, Tharaka Fernando (3-51) picked up his first victim. Fernando's loud oohs and aahs, even when the ball hit the middle of the bat kept everyone amused. Ali passed 50 with some hard hitting straight drives and was very unfortunate to fall to a Fernando delivery which shot straight along the ground to find his middle stump. A brief cameo from Dave Pollitt (16) was the only other score of note as Hurley were bowled out in the fiftieth over for a below par 187.

The Taplow reply started in aggressive fashion, with Nick Heaton and Chris Paskins hitting the ball hard to the boundary at every opportunity. Hunjan produce a Yorker

to dismiss the dangerous Heaton at 24 for 1 in the fourth over, but it was a long time before any further joy for Hurley as Paskins (48) and Les Andrew (68) piled on 114 in 20 overs for the second wicket. Hurley mixed up the bowling in an attempt to break the partnership and it was James Taylor who made the breakthrough when Paskins drove to extra cover where Steve Taylor hung on to the catch. Andrew soon followed, advancing down the wicket to Dave Walton he was beaten in the flight and Mike Walton completed an easy stumping. Fernando's batting proved to be as eccentric as his appealing and the batsman was the only one who appeared surprised when adjudged LBW to Walton. At 169 for 4 after 29 overs, Hurley had a glimmer of hope, Mudasser Iqbal bowled a tight spell of 0-16 from 6 overs but Sam Jordan (31) and Gavin Street (7) saw their side home with 14 overs to spare as the darkness descended.