

HURLEY 2nd v Chalfont St. Giles 2nd Date: 21st May

Played at Hurley

Innings of Chalfont St. Giles 2nd

G. Ashington	c. Steve Taylor	b. Williams	113
K. Brahmhatt		b. Riaz	5
G. Holgate	c. D. Walton	b. Arshad	0
R. Ballard		b. Scott Taylor	170
A. Hardy	Not out		16
L. Cross	Not out		9
		Extras	40
		Total	353
		For	4

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
S. Riaz	11	3	43	1
A. Imran	7	0	38	1
D. Pollitt	7	0	34	0
P. Hunjan	4	0	35	0
Steve Taylor	4	0	46	0
D. Walton	2	0	33	0
S. Hawes	3	0	28	0
C. Williams	3	0	32	1
Scott Taylor	3	0	41	1

Innings of Hurley 2nd

M. Walton	c. Turner	b. Hardy	7
P. Hunjan	Run Out		0
Steve Taylor		b. Gorton	73
I. Arshad	c. Turner	b. Ashington	10
S. Riaz		b. Ashington	24
S. Hawes		b. Ballard	14
J. Dawson		b. Gorton	14
C. Williams	Not out		25
D. Pollitt		b. Ayres	25
Scott Taylor	c. Turner	b. Cross	8
D. Walton	Not out		0
		Extras	9
		Total	209
		For	9

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
C. Ayres	13	4	26	1
L. Cross	14	4	33	1
A. Hardy	4	0	30	1
G. Ashington	9	4	30	2
A. Gorton	11	1	56	2
R. Ballard	3	0	25	1
P. Plested	2	0	6	0

Result: Match Drawn

A high scoring match at Shepherds Lane in the Marrant Chilterns League Division three saw Hurley 2nds and Chalfont St. Giles 2nds share the spoils. A green tinge to the wicket persuaded Hurley skipper Mike Walton to insert Chalfont and when two batsmen were sent back inside four overs this looked to be a good decision. Hurley's early success proved to be a false dawn as Richard Ballard (170) and George Ashington (113) survived the early onslaught of the pacy Shobab Riaz and started to play the bowling to all parts. Making good use of the short boundary, 289 runs were added for the second wicket in 39 overs. The partnership was ended by the diminutive Scott Taylor who succeeded where his senior colleagues had failed, clean bowling Ballard. Clive Williams followed up in the next over to remove Ashington. The carnage was ended after 44 overs when Chalfont declared on a massive 353 for 4.

What faint hopes Hurley may have had of chasing down the runs suffered an early setback when Parvinder Hunjan was run out without facing a ball. Mike Walton (7) and Steve Taylor (73) frustrated the bowlers for 14 overs before Walton top edged Hardy to the keeper. The Hurley middle order all made contributions before finding

some strange ways to lose their wickets. Riaz (24) played a head up, slog across the line to a straight ball and Jeff Dawson (14) hung his bat out to a wide delivery from Gorton, deflecting on to his stumps. With wickets falling regularly, Taylor showed grit and determination, batting for over two hours before falling to Gorton. An entertaining partnership of 27 for the eighth wicket between Dave Pollitt (25) and Clive Williams was ended by Ayres with seven overs remaining. For the second week running Scott Taylor (8) showed a maturity beyond his years, defending solidly before edging Cross to the keeper, leaving Williams (25*) and Dave Walton (0*) to survive the last fourteen deliveries.