

HURLEY 2nd v Penn & Tylers Green 2nd Date: 4th June

Played at

Innings of Hurley 2nd

M. Walton		b. Graham	3
I. Arshad	c. Latta	b. Graham	6
P. Hunjan	LBW	b. Graham	1
J. Taylor		b. Morris	3
M. Iqbal	Run out		6
J. Chambers	LBW	b. Graham	0
J. Dawson	c. Morris	b. Scott	47
C. Williams	Not out		60
F. Hussain	c. Tack	b. Larter	0
D. Pollitt	c. Larter	b. Scott	4
D. Walton	c. Latta	b. Larter	1
		Extras	19
		Total	150
		For	10

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
J. Morris	15	3	42	1
D. Graham	13	2	33	4
M. Kahliq	6	1	25	0
E. Scott	8	2	27	2
S. Larter	5.5	0	16	2

Innings of Penn & Tylers Green 2nd

S. Larter	c. Hussain	b. Pollitt	10
A. Vincent	c. Williams	b. Arshad	36
J. Morris		b. Pollitt	11
J. Godfrey		b. Hussain	1
K. Latta	c. &	b. Arshad	64
E. Scott		b. Arshad	4
J. Breckenbridge	c. &	b. Arshad	0
D. Graham		b. Hussain	10
K. Fisher		b. Hussain	0
L. Tack		b. Hussain	4
M. Kahliq	Not out		0
		Extras	4
		Total	144
		For	10

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
F. Hussain	15	1	63	4
D. Pollitt	13	6	19	2
I. Arshad	8.3	1	34	4
M. Iqbal	10	4	26	0

Result: Hurley 2nd XI won by 6 runs.

Missing their top batsman and leading wicket taker, Hurley faced a young Penn & Tylers side at Shepherds Lane with both teams needing a win to boost their morale and league position. Mike Walton won his 6th consecutive toss this season and chose to bat first. With the usual flurry of latecomers to the ground, Imran Arshad was selected to open with the skipper against the pace and bounce of Dan Graham and off spin of Jeff Morris. When Arshad gloved a bouncer from Graham to the keeper in the fourth over there was no hint of the carnage to come. The score had limped along to 18 when Pav Hunjan was adjudged leg before despite a big inside edge. 18 for 2 soon became 22 for 5 with the loss of Jack Chambers to another questionable LBW. At this stage the odds on a Hurley victory were longer than those of Trigger winning the Epsom Derby. A brief recovery was staged by Jeff Dawson (46) and Mudasser Iqbal (6) with a partnership of twenty-one, ended when Iqbal hesitated taking a second run. Clive Williams (60*) played the best innings of his short Hurley career, sharing in a 66 run partnership with Dawson for the seventh wicket to take his side to a first batting point and then shepherding the tail well to edge up to 150 when Simon Larter had Dave Walton caught behind in the 48th over.

The Penn & Tylers reply got off to a flying start with Farooq Hussain, looking a bit rusty after a four week layoff, conceding fourteen runs from his first over. At the other end Dave 'Dot Ball' Pollitt started off with four consecutive maidens. The first

three Penn & Tylers batters all got out playing across the line. Larter (10) chipped Pollitt to mid wicket where Hussain held a one handed catch. Morris (11) lost his middle stump to Pollitt aiming to deposit the ball over the pavilion and Godfrey fell the same way to Hussain. From 39 for 3 the visitors slowly began to take charge of the game as Vincent (36) and Latta (64) added 44 in 12 overs. Arshad replaced Hussain and found the edge of Vincent's bat and Williams did the rest with a one handed catch low down at slip. This was the breakthrough Hurley were looking for. Iqbal bowled a containing spell of 10 overs for 26 at the River End; two more wickets for Arshad and the game was back in the balance at 99 for 6.

Latta played an excellent innings farming the strike to protect his inexperienced colleagues as Hussain was brought back to take three wickets in four overs. With thirteen required for victory and the last pair at the crease, Latta got his side to within six runs of victory before driving Arshad in the air, the bowler sticking out his right hand to cling on to the vital catch.