

## HURLEY 2<sup>nd</sup> v Holyport 2<sup>nd</sup> Date: 9<sup>th</sup> July

Played at Hurley

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

M. Walton	c. Francis	b. Head	16
C. Williams		b. Head	18
S. Taylor Snr.		b. H. Peran	13
M. Iqbal		b. Head	0
I. Arshad		B. Head	53
D. Pothu	Not out		48
F. Hussain	Not out		41
J. Dawson	)		
A. Dunnings	)- dnb		
S. Taylor Jnr.	)		
D. Walton	)		
		Extras	19
		Total	208
		For	5

### Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
D. Varney	14	4	43	0
P. Samuels	15	5	29	0
T. Head	15	2	93	4
H. Peran	6	0	25	1
I. Kane	2	0	11	0

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

P. Price	Run Out	(Taylor Jnr.)	55
I. Kane	c. D. Walton	b. Hussain	13
M. Francis	c. Arshad	b. Pothu	68
H. Peran	Not out		20
P. Samuels	c. M. Walton	b. Hussain	6
T. Head	Not out		34
		Extras	14
		Total	210
		For	4

## Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
F. Hussain	11	3	51	2
D. Pothu	10	0	49	1
M. Iqbal	8	1	26	0
D. Walton	4	0	20	0
S. Taylor Snr.	9	0	44	0
I. Arshad	5	0	15	0

## Result: Holyport 2nds won by six wickets.

Hurley 2nds were involved in another exciting finish, just failing to hold off league leaders Holyport at Shepherds Lane. The visitors won a vital toss and opted to bowl first on a rain affected wicket. A couple of loose overs from Des Varney allowed Mike Walton to hit three boundaries from his first ten deliveries before Varney and Phil Samuels found their rhythm. Making the most of the humid conditions to swing the ball, both bowlers kept a tight rein on the score restricting Hurley to thirty-three from the first twenty-one overs, with runs harder to find than an honest News of The World journalist. Phil Samuels was replaced by Tristan Head who struck with his first ball, Walton (16) edging a full length delivery to the keeper. Clive Williams (18) and Mudasser Iqbal (0) followed in Head's next over to leave the hosts floundering at 39 for 3. Steve Taylor (13) and Imran Arshad (53) added twenty-seven before Taylor was bowled trying to whip Peran through mid-wicket. Arshad was joined by the promising Dinesh Pothu (48\*) and as the wicket became more batsman friendly they increased the scoring rate to take Hurley to 135 in the forty-second over. Arshad reached a deserved half-century with a boundary, then attempted a cross batted hack to Head to lose his off bail. After last week's heroics Farouq Hussain was promoted to number seven and didn't disappoint, hitting an unbeaten forty-one from twenty-seven deliveries to help take his side to a respectable 208 for 5 from 52 overs, this total would have been a lot less if Holyport had held on to any of the eight chances they put down during the innings.

The Holyport opening pair of Peter Price and Iain Kane started circumspectly against Hussain and Pothu, posting twenty-four in nine overs. Kane (13) fell to an excellent

catch from Dave Walton at mid-off from the bowling of Hussain. Mark Francis (68) and Price (55) batted sensibly to keep the score board ticking over. Tight bowling by Steve Taylor and Mudasser Iqbal saw the required rate rising to over six an over and increasing pressure caused Price to attempt a single to Scott Taylor at mid-wicket, whose accurate throw to the bowlers end found Price several yards short. Pothu was brought back and dismissed Francis, Arshad taking a juggled catch at long-on, to leave Holyport requiring fifty-seven from eight overs. This looked an unlikely prospect when Samuels (6) sliced Hussain to the keeper in the forty-third over. Some hard hitting from Head, supported by Peran kept Holyport in the hunt and with two overs to go, fifteen were needed. The match looked like it would go down to the wire but sixteen runs from the penultimate over were enough to see Holyport home as Head smashed a straight six down the ground from Hussains final delivery to round off a good win that see's Holyport remain top of the Marrant Chiltern's League Division Three.