

Hurley Sunday 2XI Vs Sonning Sunday 2XI (40 over game)

Sunday 10th July – Hurley won the toss and chose to Bat

Batsmen	How Out	Bowler	Total
G. Lewis	Bowled	Williams	130
P. Hinnell Snr	LBW	A. Ray	11
T. Hooper	Bowled	Williams	21
J. Simon	Ct	Dave	0
R. Smith	Not Out		20*
D. Masters	Bowled	Williams	6
S. Pandya	Bowled	Dave	4
C. Sawtell	Ct	Dave	0
N. Adams	Ct	Denyer	5
R. Simon	Not Out		13*
H. Mansell			
		Extras	27
		Total	236

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
A. Ray	7	1	38	1
Bowers	6	0	50	0
Clarke	6	0	52	0
Williams	8	4	8	3
Dave	8	2	34	3
Gadd	2	0	25	0
Denyer	3	0	17	1

Batsmen	How Out	Bowler	Total
J. Travers	Bowled	R. Simon	3
K. Denyer	Ct Lewis	R. Simon	9
R. Ford	Ct Adams	Masters	56
A. Ray	Bowled	Pandya	1
E. Gadd	Ct Masters	Pandya	8
A. Williams	Bowled	Adams	4
A. Bennett	Run Out (J. Simon)		6
D. Clarke	LBW	R. Simon	4
S. Dave	Bowled	Adams	23
N. Ray	Bowled	Masters	9
T Moore	Absent		
		Extras	7
		Total	154

Bowler	Overs	Maiden	Runs	Wickets
S. Pandya	8	1	29	2
R. Simon	6	1	24	3
D. Masters	7.3	0	44	2
N. Adams	7	1	29	2
H. Mansell	6	0	31	0

Hurley won by 82 runs



This week's celebrity match report is written by Ornithology enthusiast and presenter of the BBC's Springwatch, Bill Oddie.

This week I had a letter from a viewer telling me I really ought to get down to Shepherds Lane, Hurley, Berkshire as there was a particularly good chance of some top class birdwatching.

Sonning's newly hatched Sunday 2XI had migrated to the area and were invited to take to the field. The star attraction on view was young George Lewis, who was preying like a hawk on anything remotely vulnerable. He duly spread his wings and scored 7 boundaries off his first 8 balls. At the other end veteran Patrick Hinnell probably thought toucan play that game but his contribution to an opening stand of 86 was 11 before he fell LBW.

Skipper Hooper joined Lewis in the middle and scored 21 in a partnership of 93 once again dominated by the eagle-eyed 16 year old. The emergence of the former Reading and Wolves central defender Adie Williams (8-4-8-3) suddenly clipped the wings of the hosts, although Lewis was unflustered bringing up his maiden ton off just 52 balls. It truly was an innings to be raven about, with a number of crisp cover drives and powerful shots on the leg side. I was certainly puffin just watching the visitors chase the ball around.

Lewis eventually fell for 130 to Williams, which then signalled a classic (I'm told) Hurley collapse from 179-1 to 193-7. Rob Smith (20*) was not budgieing, though he looked on in horror as the wickets tumbled, Simon and Sawtell both caught for ducks, and Masters, Pandya and Adams all scoring single figures. HCC weren't sick as a parrot but they were stork in a slightly difficult spot. A remarkable 13* off just 9 balls from Bert Simon, got the crowd squawking in delight and saw the innings close on 236-8.

Hurley knew a couple of early wickets, and players beak in the pavilion, would make victory highly likely. Kung-Fu Pandya, making his first appearance of the season, shared the old ball with Simon and the latter struck with his first delivery, yorking Travers for just 3. A tumbling catch by Lewis then gave Simon his second wicket before Steffen got in on the act. A full delivery beat Ray, before a soaring one handed catch in the gully by Masters accounted brilliantly for Gadd (who was disappointingly not called Omar).

The big hitting Ford smashed a number of big legside blows, off Masters, on his way to a quick 56 before he chanced his arm once too often and Adams made no mistake at deep midwicket to give the vice skip his first wicket of the match.

Jo Simon's swoop and direct hit from mid off ran out Bennett before he had to leave the field momentarily as his new spikes were robin and causing blisters. The ever talanted Adams picked up 2

wickets to take his tally for the season to 13, by bowling both Williams and Dave, while a very tidy 6 overs from the Howitzer, a rare but well regarded species, was unfortunate to go wicketless.

Masters returned to wrap up a good win and prepare the flock for their annual tour. Hurley are not always a well oiled machine, but today they definitely had been serviced with a dose of kestrel GTX (sorry it's late and I'm getting on a bit these days).

Sixes – 2 x G. Lewis, Catches and Run Out listed.

Man of the Match – George Lewis, Runner Up – Robert Simon.