

HURLEY 1XI vs Holyport – 14th May 2011

HOLYPORT		
K Baillie	lbw b Akhtar	0
G Hinkel	b Akhtar	7
C Morgan	c Nye b Forrest	129
M Fowler	Not out	59
A Pyle	b Cole	16
P Davies	c Day b Cole	0
A Mathias	b Cole	0
P Morgan	b Cole	0
M Lappin	Run Out (Todd)	4
T Hayes	Not Out	0
	Extras	19
	Total	234-8

M Cole	14-4-72-3	D Forrest	11-2-59-1
N Akhtar	14-2-55-3	P Ridgeway	7-1-10-0
R Brown	6-1-23-0		

HURLEY		
P Ridgeway	b Hayes	20
D Simoes	b Mathias	11
D Nye	b Lappin	48
T Moore	c Morgan b Davis	17
R Brown	Not out	59
D Day	b C Morgan	17
N Akhtar	b P Morgan	0
T Balchin	Run out	5
P Todd	b P Morgan	0
D Forrest	Not out	1
M Cole		
	Extras	9
	Total	187-8

Hurley dropped the chance to make further progress in Division 2 of the Chilterns League on Saturday spilling Chris Morgan (129) before he had scored and again when he had reached 37 to chances that Geoff Boycott's Grandmother would have pounced. Naeem Akhtar (3-55) had made the early breakthrough after winning the toss and reduced the visitors to 25-2. Mike Cole (3-72) then should have had Holyport 25-3 as Morgan sliced to point where he was put down to the simplest of chances. Two contrasting innings from Morgan and skipper Fowler (59not) then made Hurley pay for their profligacy compiling a 3rd wicket stand of 153 in 36 tortuous overs for the home side. Where Fowler rarely ventured from the crease, Morgan sprayed the ball around like a Tom cat marking his territory. Morgan finally fell with the score on 178 to Dave Forrest (1-59) to a low catch at slip. Andy Pyle (16) piled on some quick runs before a remarkable hat-trick from Cole saw the visitors decline to 215-6. Akhtar picked up Pat Morgan next over, but with Fowler belatedly hitting out, the visitors finished on a challenging 234-8 from their 52 overs.

Phil Ridgeway (20) recovering from a bumper payout from the tooth fairy last week and in unfamiliar helmet struck some crisp drives as Holyport opened with spin and the old ball, but Ridgeway was bowled by Tim Hayes (1-26) and Dave Simoes (11) followed soon after leaving the home side 36-2 after 14 overs. Dean Nye (48) and Tim Moore (17) added 63, but the demise of these two in successive overs dealt a fatal blow to Hurley's challenge. Ross Brown (59not) provided a sparkling innings showing a glimpse of a bright future holding the innings together and providing some defiance as the rest of the Hurley innings wilted faster than a bunch of road side roses. From 161-4 Hurley declined to 187-8 clinging on to the draw at the close.