

HURLEY v Sticky Wicket CC Date: 20th May

Played at Hurley

Innings of Sticky Wicket CC

B. Syed		b. Lewis	6
B. Khuram	c. Lewis	b. Scott Taylor	93
A. Amar	c. Morgans	b. Lewis	3
K. Usman	c. Hampton	b. D. Walton	33
A. Saleh		b. D. Walton	0
S. Abdi	c. M. Walton	b. D. Walton	5
R. Abdur	c. Talib	b. Scott Taylor	0
Nabeel	c. M. Walton	b. D. Walton	12
Zanir		b. Steve Taylor	31
Ikram	Not out		9
Aseem	st. M. Walton	b. Basharat	8
		Extras	18
		Total	218
		For	10

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
M. Basharat	9	1	26	1
G. Lewis	7	1	52	2
Steve Taylor	7	1	44	1
B. Lederman	5	0	36	0
D. Walton	8	1	22	4
Scott Taylor	5	1	33	2

Innings of Hurley

M. Walton		b. Aseem	30
G. Lewis		b. Usman	12
Steve Taylor		b. Abdi	28
M. Hampton	c. Nabeel	b. Abdi	8
S. Talib		b. Amar	35
A. Morgans	Not out		8
M. Basharat	c. Saleh	b. Amar	10
D. Walton	Not out		0
Scott Taylor	)		
E. Lederman	)- dnb		
B. Lederman	)		
		Extras	31
		Total	162
		For	6

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
Abdur	8	3	12	0
Usman	8	2	29	1
Abdi	8	0	46	2
Ikram	8	0	33	0
Aseem	4	1	15	1
Amar	4	0	23	2

Result: Sticky Wicket CC won by 56 runs.

Hurley took on Sticky Wicket CC from Wandsworth in a forty over contest at Shepherds Lane and despite a much improved performance with the bat, and some great fielding still came off second best. The visitors opted to bat first and the big hitting Khuram showed his intent from the start, hitting George Lewis' first over for 18, including two towering sixes. At the other end Mo Basharat kept things tight conceding only nine runs from a five over spell. Lewis recovered from his early punishment to take the wickets of Syed (6) and Amar (3) thanks to the catch of the season from Alan Morgans at deep square leg. Khuram was very lucky to survive a very confident appeal for leg before when struck in front by Steve Taylor. Khuram went on to make 93 displaying his full array of two shots, the slog and the block. A 94 run partnership for the third wicket was ended by Dave Walton (4-22) when Usman holed out to Matt Hampton on the mid-wicket boundary. Despite Walton bowling to a 7-2 leg side field the batsmen continued to try and hit everything to the leg side and five wickets fell for 22 runs in the space of seven overs. Scott Taylor started his bowling spell with a double wicket maiden, including the prize wicket of Khuram, caught by Lewis on the long on boundary. Steve Taylor eventually got his reward with the wicket of skipper Zanir (33) in the penultimate over, and the last ball of the innings saw Aseem stumped off Basharat as Sticky Wicket were dismissed for 218.

The Hurley chase began with George Lewis and Mike Walton facing Abdur and Usman. After a couple of overs to get his eye in Lewis took 12 off Usman's second over and looked to be in good form before trying to work the ball to midwicket and losing his middle stump. Some tight bowling from the two openers restricted the scoring, conceding only fifty-seven runs from the next seventeen overs as Hurley's two senior batsmen, Mike Walton and Steve Taylor struggled to find the gaps in the field. The pressure eventually told as Taylor (28) tried to force the pace and lost his leg stump to Abdi. Matt Hampton showed some promise hitting Abdi down the ground for a six before being caught trying to repeat the feat. Suraj Talib, in his maiden innings, top scored for Hurley with a gutsy 38, adding 49 for the fourth wicket with Walton to give his side a brief glimmer of hope. Zanir kept his best two bowlers till the end and it was Aseem (1-15) who ended Walton's long vigil and Amar (2-23) who picked up the wickets of Talib and Basharat (10) leaving Hurley fifty-six runs short, but encouraged by an improved performance.