

HURLEY 2nd XI v Holyport 2nd XI

Date: 2nd June

Played at Hurley

Innings of Hurley 2nd XI

M. Walton	c. Pyle	b. Varney	2
A. Morgans	c. Taylor	b. Varney	2
S. Taylor		b. Varney	0
Y. Ali	c. Head	b. Varney	6
S. Talib	c. D. Harris	b. Varney	1
D. Pollitt		b. Varney	10
R. Singh		b. Mattias	0
O. Tariq	Not out		6
M. Basharat	c. J. Harris	b. Varney	0
D. Morgans	c. Mattias	b. Varney	0
D. Walton	c. Head	b. Mattias	0
		Extras	1
		Total	28
		For	10

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
D. Varney	10	7	14	8
S. Mattias	9.3	3	13	2

Innings of Holyport 2nd XI

M. Taylor	c. M. Walton	b. Basharat	8
R. Pepper	Not out		14
A. Pyle	Not out		6
		Extras	1
		Total	29
		For	1

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
D. Pollitt	3	0	13	0
O. Tariq	3	1	8	0
M. Basharat	1	1	0	1
D. Morgans	0.1	0	7	0

Result: Holyport 2nd XI won by 9 wickets.

There were no Jubilee celebrations for Hurley 2nds as their season reached a new nadir in the local derby against Holyport. Having scraped together a team at the 11th hour after a procession of players cried off due to injury, illness and other reasons, a weakened Hurley sided arrived at Shepherds Lane to find a wicket affected by an early morning shower. On losing the toss it was no surprise that the hosts were asked to bat first and from the first over it was apparent that batting would be no picnic, as Des Varney got the ball to swing and seam off the damp surface. There was no respite for the opening pair of Mike Walton and Alan Morgans as Selvin Mattias did the same from the river end, at pace. Varney ripped through the top order, taking the first four wickets without conceding a run, to reduce Hurley to 10 for 4. The only resistance came from Yasir Ali (6), Dave Pollitt (10) and Osama Tariq (6*) as Varney continued his destruction to finish with 8 for 14. Mattias provided excellent support and was eventually rewarded with the wickets of Raj Singh and Dave Walton as Hurley subsided to their lowest ever Chiltern League score of 28 in 19.3 overs.

With the weather brightening and the pitch drying out, the best the hosts could hope for was to take a few wickets and garner some bowling points. Although Mark Taylor (8) and Ross Pepper (14*) played and missed a few times to Pollitt and Tariq, it was Mo Basharat who claimed a consolation wicket. Taylor attempted to pull two consecutive short deliveries from Basharat without success and on the third occasion top edged a skier to the keeper. There were no further alarms for Holyport and Adam Pyle hit his second delivery over extra cover for six to complete a right royal drubbing of Hurley. The whole match was completed in less than two hours, before the runners had even gone to the post in The Derby at Epsom.