

Cookham U11s 101-7 beat Hurley U11s 69-8 by 32 runs

With Cookham's administration and co-ordination skills mirroring those of G4S and the Olympics, Hurley's motley crew of U11s and U9s took to the field, and I mean field, on a cold summers evening in Cookham.

Having won the toss again, Hurley again made a promising start restricting Cookham to 27 off 7 overs, while taking three wickets thanks to the superb bowling of Peplow (3-6 of 3 overs) and some excellent direct hitting from Ewan Ballard (2 run outs). No bowlers came in for serious punishment, with the outfield being the dreams of cows and sheep, with more covering than my hairline.

However, some excellent batting from Yuill, F(19), Barney (14) and Skivington (8N0), who all ran superbly between the wickets, whilst building some excellent partnerships to post a daunting 101 from the allotted overs, despite a spirited effort in the field.

In response, Hurley got off to a solid start with openers Calliss and Ballard putting on an opening partnership of 35. Similarly placed at 25 off 7 overs, Hurley were unable to use this as a springboard, due to the very impressive bowling attack of Cookham, with ex-Hurley bowler Skivington recording 1-0 off his three overs, and Devereux with 3-9. With the game slipping through Hurley's fingers, some kamikaze running put an unfair gloss on the score, but no disgrace, Hurley went down to their 1st defeat in six games and the play-offs a fading dream Bring on the sunshine next week :)