

HURLEY 2nd v Little Marlow 2nd**Date: 1st July****Played at Hurley****Innings of Little Marlow 2nd**

I Ishaq	LBW	b. J Cole	0
D Ishaq	c. Haines	b. J Cole	7
S Shore		b. Ab Ali	55
R Tinsley	c. Simoes	b. Ab Ali	47
N Marie	c. Simoes	b. Walton	13
G Holmes		b. Haines	33
H Shazad	Run out	(J Cole)	37
A Hussain	LBW	b. Fuller	5
Z Yaqoob	Not out		10
H Mahmood	Not out		13
		Extras	22
		Total	242
		For	8

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
Ajmal Ali	0.1	0	1	0
J Cole	7.9	0	35	2
Abdullah Ali	15	3	51	2
T Ahmed	4	0	26	0
D Walton	10	0	51	1
L Cole	3	0	18	0
K Fuller	6	1	40	1
N Haines	4	1	17	1

Innings of Hurley 2nd

M Cole		b. Hussain	69
J Calliss		b. Mahmood	15
Abdullah Ali	c. Holmes	b. Hussain	52
J Cole		b. Holmes	23
Ajmal Ali		b. Holmes	30
K Fuller	Not out		4
N Haines	c. D Ishaq	b. Mahmood	4
T Ahmed	Not out		0
L Cole)		
D Simoes)- dnb		
D. Walton)		
		Extras	21
		Total	218
		For	6

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
G Holmes	15	4	35	2
H Mahmood	9	0	54	2
I Ishaq	15	3	48	0
Z Yaqoob	3	0	19	0
N Marie	2	0	18	0
A Hussain	5	0	26	2
D Ishaq	1	0	13	0

Result: Match drawn.

A delayed start caused by an accident on the A404 which only saw 9 Hurley players and 6 from Little Marlow at the ground at the scheduled start time was a prelude to an excellent cricket match that ebbed-and-flowed throughout its 100 overs. On winning the toss Hurley skipper Nigel Haines duly elected to field, such that game could commence whilst the stragglers arrived. Things got stranger still and Ajmal Ali, on debut, could only manage two balls, one of which was a wide, before having to retire with a shoulder injury. With regular opening bowler Mike Cole also suffering with an injury 14-year old Josh Cole (2-34) finished the over and made the breakthrough after 2 balls trapping Imran Ashaq in front. Two overs later he removed Danny Ishaq thanks to a stunning catch at slip from Haines. Abdullah Ali (2-51) bowled metronomically from the Shepherds Lane end, and was rewarded by two late wickets in his spell, cleaning bowling Richard Tinsley (47) and having Steve Shore (55) caught behind by the effervescent Dave Simoes chasing a wide ball. The two veteran batsmen had put on a steady 106 run partnership in 25 overs to give the Little Marlow innings a springboard for later acceleration. Impetus was provided by Ged Holmes (33) and Shazad (37) putting on 68 in only 11 overs as the fielders and bowlers began to wilt under the sun. 12-year old Liam Cole (0-18) was unlucky not to

get his first senior wicket as Shazad's inside edge just trickled past the stumps. Dave Walton (1-51) bowled well and had Nicky Marie (13) caught behind with a feint edge. Holmes was finally bowled by a flighted Haines (1-17) delivery and Shazad was run out after being called through for a quick single by Awais Hussain, by an excellent piece of fielding and direct hit from Josh Cole at square leg. Ken Fuller (1-40) came in for some late punishment as youngsters Zane Yaqoob (10*) and Mahmood (13*) ran well and hit the bad ball to allow a declaration at 242-8 after 50 overs.

The Hurley reply got off to positive start with Mike Cole (69) and James Calliss (15) putting on 32 in six overs for the first wicket. After playing some sumptuous cover drives Calliss tried one shot too many and was bowled through the gate by Mahmood (2-54). Abdullah Ali (52) and Cole added a patient 112 for the second wicket in 25 overs, although Cole was dropped twice, as Little Marlow mixed up the bowling in an effort to find a breakthrough. Imran Ishaq (0-47) bowled well without any luck, beating the outside edge on numerous occasions. Ali was particularly brutal on anything short and it was the introduction of Hussain (2-26) that saw Cole play a tired shot and miss a long-hop to be bowled round his legs and Ali hole out to Holmes at extra cover just after completing a well-earned 50. Josh Cole (23) and Ajmal Ali (30) kept up the momentum the pair adding a brisk 41, before Cole was bowled by the wily Holmes (2-34) trying to work a straight ball on the leg side with the score at 199-4 off 43 overs. With the required run rate at 6 an over Ajmal Ali continued to attack, hitting some lusty blows particularly off Danny Ishaq (0-13), before trying the same to Holmes only to see his off-stump pegged back. With Fuller (4*) and Haines (4) at the crease the chance of a win slipped by, and Hurley limped to 218-6 to secure the draw. A thoroughly entertaining match played in immaculate spirit, and a superb advertisement for village cricket.