

## Monks Risborough v HURLEY 1XI – 11<sup>th</sup> August 2018

### Hurley match abandoned (W/L)

#### **MONKS RISBOROUGH**

S Ul-Haq	c M Cole b Arshad	26	
M Amjad	c Double b Dawkins	45	
H Amjad	c Ridgeway b Langlands	31	
A Umar	c Andleed b Dawkins	6	
I Alam	c Arshad b Ridgeway	7	
A Arif	b Langlands	9	
A Mahmood	c Double b Ridgeway	4	
F Butt	c Walton b Andleed	35	
S Iqbal	b Ridgeway	11	
A Razzak	Not Out	14	
Kabir	Not Out	2	
Extras		18	
<b>Total</b>		<b>209-9</b>	<b>45overs</b>

I Arshad	9-1-56-1	P Ridgeway	10-1-45-3
I Dawkins	12-0-42-2	Andleed	2-0-14-1
J Langlands	12-0-48-2		

#### **HURLEY**

I Arshad	c Butt b Kabir	3	
M Cole	b Razzaq	22	
I Dawkins	lbw b Mahmood	6	
J Cole	c Mahmood b Kabir	1	
G Double	c Mahmood b Butt	20	
J Langlands	Not Out	7	
P Ridgeway	Not Out	1	
Andleed			
D Walton			
M Walton			
L Cole			
Extras		10	
<b>Total</b>		<b>70-5</b>	<b>21.2ovs</b>

Kabir	8-0-25-2	Razzaq	3-1-7-1
Mahmood	8-2-24-1	Butt	2.2-0-5-1

It is an interesting ground at Monks Risborough, an undulating outfield of gentle slopes and valleys so that fielding on the far side it looks like the fielders have been cut-off at the knees. Indeed Greg Double managed to move unseen from mid-on to long-on by ducking down and popping up in his new position.

Hurley rocked up thanks to sat-nav to find the place deserted, but soon black Mercs arrived and the game started with Monks electing to bat adding 71 untroubled runs before Imran Arshad (1-56) had Ul-Haq caught at slip in the 15<sup>th</sup>. Ian Dawkins had M Amjad caught at point with the home side on 98 as runs flowed to short boundaries, a shocking number of catches were fumbled but wickets also fell. Hurley clawed their way back to reduce Monks to 152-7 as skipper H Amjad (31) who had been dropped 3 times fell to Jonathan Langlands and the safe hands of Ridgeway at extra cover. Greg Double took a brilliant steeping catch that was drifting over his head to end Mahmood's brief stay off the bowling of Ridgeway (3-45). This was after Double and Mike Walton had crashed into each other attempting a catch, Walton faring the worst with a gashed nose and Double mildly concussed and talking gibberish but no one noticed the difference. Monks had a final flurry through Butt (35) to launch the home side to 209-9 from 45 overs.

Dave Walton was unhappy that there was no meat for tea, but a pleasant repast precluded gathering grey clouds. Hurley sent out Arshad and Mike Cole, but Arshad carelessly slapped Kabir to point in the opening over and a depleted Hurley were deflated. A cautious 13 was added before Ian Dawkins was trapped lbw and Josh Cole steered his 5<sup>th</sup> ball to point. With 3 gun-batsmen gone for 22, Hurley were in a salvage operation. Cole and Double added 33 entertaining runs. Double with his unique abdominal protector of two socks produced some lovely shots before steering to gully. Mike Cole got a shooter before the rain came at 6 o'clock with Hurley 70-5. Despite the reluctance of the Monks team to leave the field and standing around in the rain, the match was abandoned at 6.25.