

PINKNEYS GREEN 1st XI v HURLEY 1st XI

15th August 2020

Venue: Pinkneys Drive, Maidenhead

Toss: Hurley

Weather: Chilly, thick cloud

Innings of Pinkneys Green

1 Uday Tikoo	c Mahmood	b Shah	26
2 Vinay Mopur	c Baillie	b Kayani	3
3 Will Heyes	lbw	b Kayani	2
4 Sheyan Patel*		c&b Kayani	0
5 Jagsit Dhillon	c Mandeep	b Dawkins	24
6 Jack Stemp+		b Ridgeway	38
7 Dilan Wimalasena	c Mandeep	b Dawkins	9
8 Praveen Sds	c Zaman	b Dawkins	4
9 Declan Roberts	c Baillie	b Ridgeway	29
10 Steve Curlewis	run out		37
11 Nathan McDonagh	not out		0
Extras	(5b, 4lb, 14w, 1nb)		24
Total			196
Overs			38.4

Bowling

F Kayani	8-3-27-3
R Shah	8-1-35-1
U Zaman	8-0-40-0
I Dawkins	6-0-24-3
P Ridgeway	5.4-0-31-2
H Gul	3-0-30-0

Innings of Hurley

1 Kelvin Baillie	c Tikoo	b Heyes	2
2 Yasir Gul*	lbw	b Dhillon	0
3 Mandeep Singh	c Stemp	b Dhillon	3
4 Phil Ridgeway		b Curlewis	10
5 Rizwan Shah	c McDonagh	b Wimalasena	25
6 Umer Zaman	c Tikoo	b Wimalasena	23
7 Faisal Mahmood	c Stemp	b Heyes	5
8 Ian Dawkins		b Heyes	7
9 Fayyaz Kayani		b Curlewis	3
10 Hassan Gul	c McDonagh	b Curlewis	1
11 Mike Walton+	not out		0
Extras	(6w, 1nb)		7
Total			86
Overs			27.5

Bowling

W Heyes	8-1-24-3
J Dhillon	8-1-25-2
D Wimalasena	5-1-23-2
S Curlewis	5.5-2-11-3
N McDonagh	1-0-3-0

Result: Pinkneys Green won by 110 runs

For the last away game of the abbreviated 2020 season, Hurley made the notional three-mile trip to near-neighbours Pinkneys Green. A couple of changes were made to the team following the cancellation of the 2nd XI fixture after the torrential rain of midweek. The last four fixtures between these two teams were won by the away side. Pinkneys Green, however, would have been buoyed by their comfortable victory over The Lee on the same ground on the previous weekend.

Following the toss, Hurley opted to bowl. Fayyaz Kayani opened the bowling from the near end in tandem with Rizwan Shah. Kayani lived up to his billing, bowling his spell right through, bowling three maidens and taking three wickets. Shah and Umer Zaman shared bowling duties at the far end, with Kayani eventually being replaced by Ian Dawkins, who also enjoyed some success with the ball. Kayani had Vinay Mopur caught at point by Kelvin Baillie in the third over, and earned an lbw decision against Will Heyes in the seventh over with the score on thirty-three. The left-handed opener Uday Tikoo fell in the next over to Shah from a catch by Faisal Mahmood on the off-side. Kayani also caught Pinkneys captain Sheyan Patel for a duck off his own bowling in the eleventh with the score on forty-eight. These early breakthroughs brought together the prolific Jags Dhillon and wicketkeeper Jack Stemp, who added thirty-six for the fifth wicket. Dhillon was starting to play his shots, and gained a life when Dawkins was unable to hold onto a skyer at the end of the seventeenth. The Hurley bowler, however, made amends in his next as Mandeep Singh, fielding at mid-off, ran round to catch Dhillon in the covers. Stemp helped lift the team score to 137 and was bowled by Phil Ridgeway from the near end in the 31st over. In a late flourish, Declan Roberts and Steve Curlewis were able to add fifty-nine for the ninth wicket in seven overs, the most memorable shot of which was a six onto the cream-coloured roof of an out-building on the far side off an unfortunate Hassan Gul.

After the interval Pinkneys Green took the field and opened the bowling from the far end with the tall Heyes in tandem with Dhillon. Not for the first time this season, the Hurley innings soon found itself on a ventilator. Yasir Gul was trapped lbw for a duck in the second over, and Baillie was caught at square-leg by Tikoo in the next. In the fourth over Mandeep was caught behind to leave Hurley seven for three wickets. Ridgeway and Shah set about establishing some stability and added thirty-four for the fourth wicket until the latter was caught on the leg side off the left-arm spinner Dilan Wimalasena in the thirteenth. Zaman added twenty-six with Ridgeway in four overs to lift the score to sixty-seven. Thereafter Hurley batsmen returned to the pavilion like holiday-makers returning from France to beat the quarantine deadline. In a moment which encapsulated Hurley's luck on the day, Ridgeway appeared to have successfully blocked a delivery from off-spinner Curlewis in the eighteenth, only to find that the ball had spun back unnoticed onto his stumps. The returning Heyes had Faisal Mahmood caught behind and bowled Dawkins. Curlewis completed the rout by bowling Kayani and having Hassan caught behind the bowler's stumps, leaving Mike Walton out of partners.

Hurley were well beaten again but the teams were fortunate to get a game in considering recent deluges and the forecast on the day. It was a good day for the fielders and bowlers on both sides with only two batsmen in the match passing thirty and nobody reaching forty. The main positives from the Hurley standpoint were catches for Baillie and Mandeep, and wickets for Kayani, Dawkins and Ridgeway. The next match sees Hurley host The Lee at Shepherds Lane.

Umpires: Kevin Snapes and Howard Mansell