

HURLEY v Gubbays

Date: 29th May

Played at Hurley

Innings of Gubbays

Vijay		b. Brown	14
Mark	c. M. Walton	b. Morgans	53
Ashish	c. Morgans	b. Taylor	14
Aryut	c. Brown	b. Basharat	0
Yasir	c. Langlands	b. Basharat	1
Sanjay	c. M. Walton	b. D. Walton	3
Vineet		b. Basharat	41
Sandeep	LBW	b. Morgans	4
Nadir	c. Langlands	b. D. Walton	5
Shiva	Not out		13
Syed	c. Morgans	b. Taylor	8
		Extras	29
		Total	185
		For	10

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
J. Langlands	8	1	32	0
R. Brown	6	1	24	1
M. Basharat	8	1	30	3
S. Taylor Snr.	5.3	1	28	2
D. Walton	4	0	36	2
A. Morgans	1	0	16	2
G. Lewis	2	0	17	0

Innings of Hurley

S. Kayani		b. Sanjay	6
J. Patrick	c. Mark	b. Aryut	7
S. Taylor Snr.		b. Ashish	8
G. Lewis	c. Shiva	b. Ashish	12
A. Morgans		b. Aryut	0
R. Brown		b. Shiva	5
M. Walton		b. Nadir	7
M. Hampton	c. Yasir	b. Nadir	19
J. Langlands	c. Vineet	b. Aryut	3
M. Basharat	c. Mark	b. Nadir	2
D. Walton	Not out		0
		Extras	29
		Total	98
		For	10

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
Aryut	6	0	16	3
Sanjay	2	0	12	1
Ashish	4	0	27	2
Shiva	5	1	17	1
Yasir	4	0	13	0
Nadir	2	1	5	3

Result: Gubbays won by 87 runs.

It was a case of “after the Lord Mayor’s show” for Hurley on Sunday. Following last week’s successful run chase at Binfield, Matt Hampton opted for the same tactics, inserting Gubbays. Hurley’s opening attack of Ross Brown and Jonathan Langlands kept a tight rein on the batsmen and after five overs Gubbays had only five extras to show for their efforts as both bowlers proved almost unplayable. Somehow Vijay (14) and Mark (53) survived the first dozen overs and the score began to trot along. Vijay never looked comfortable and it was no surprise when he was beaten by an off-cutter from Brown. Ashish (14) joined Mark and the pair started hitting over the top to good effect, adding thirty-four for the second wicket. Hurley’s fielding was on top form; Alan Morgans lead the way with an excellent catch in the deep to dismiss Ashish off Taylor. Two wickets for Mo Basharat reduced the visitors to 91 for 4 after 22 overs before the introduction of Dave Walton and Alan Morgans ripped the heart out of the innings. Walton enticed Sanjay to chase a wide delivery only to edge it to the keeper. A remarkable over from Morgans followed; his first ball was a flighted wide delivery which Mark obligingly nicked to give Mike Walton his second catch, after three wides and a boundary, a slow, double bouncer to Sandeep was only prevented from trickling onto middle stump by the batsman’s back foot, leaving the umpire the easiest of LBW decisions and the players in fits of laughter. After figures

of 1-0-16-2 Morgan took his sweater much to the relief of both fielders and batsmen. Dave Walton picked up his second wicket to a catch in the deep by Langlands and Gubbays were rocking at 116 for 8. Some effective tail end slogging by Vineet (41) and Shiva (13*) pushed the score up to 185 when the innings was ended by another fine catch by Morgans. Hurley were confident of chasing down the required total at a rate of 4.65 an over and reached 33 inside six overs for the loss of Kayani (6). Steve Taylor has proved to be the thoroughbred in the Hurley stable this season, but there was nothing he could do to keep out the ball of the day from Ashish, straightening off the seam to take off stump. Morgans fell at the first hurdle, bowled Aryut first ball. Hurley colts, Brown and Lewis flattered to deceive but both fell for modest scores leaving the scoreboard showing a sorry 60 for 6. It was left to the old warhorses, Mike Walton and Matt Hampton (19) to try and turn things round. The run rate was never a problem if Hurley could only bat out the overs, thirty-six was added in eight overs, but the loss of Walton (7) edging an innocuous delivery from Nadir on to his stumps signalled the beginning of the end. The last three wickets fell quicker than novice chasers attempting Beechers Brook as Hurley were shot out for 98 in twenty-four overs for their lowest total of the season.