

## HURLEY v Knotty Green Date: 29<sup>th</sup> April

### Played at Hurley

### Innings of Hurley

C Williams		b. Emmerson	37
M Walton		b. V Patel	0
H Graham	c. Allison	b. Monsay	0
J Cole	c. Scott	b. S Patel	33
A Ali		b. J Patel	25
J Dawson	Run out		0
P Ridgeway		b. J Patel	10
J Graham	Not out		36
Y Gul	LBW	b. J Patel	3
M Cole	Not out		3
H Gul	Dnb		
		Extras	31
		Total	178
		For	8

### Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
V Patel	7	1	26	1
H Monsay	9	1	39	1
S Patel	6	0	37	1
S Emmerson	9	1	37	1
J Patel	9	0	31	3

## Innings of Knotty Green

A Patel	st. Walton	b. Ridgeway	13
J Coppock	c. Y Gul	b. H Graham	10
N Scott		b. Ridgeway	11
P Radhol		b. Ridgeway	0
S Emmerson	c. Dawson	b. Ridgeway	12
A Allison		b. Ridgeway	14
V Patel	c. Walton	b. Ridgeway	40
R Monsay		b. H Gul	18
S Patel	LBW	b. J Cole	7
J Patel	Not out		4
		Extras	26
		Total	155
		For	9

## Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
H Graham	9	0	35	1
M Cole	5	2	9	0
P Ridgeway	9	1	40	6
J Graham	3	0	21	0
H Gul	4	0	37	1
J Cole	2	0	4	1

## Result: Hurley won by 23 runs.

Hurley recorded their first win of the season, in a friendly against Chilterns League rivals, Knotty Green. The hosts won the toss and opted to bat first and a victory looked a long way off when they slumped to 5 for 2 in the second over. Mike Walton fell to a swinging delivery from Vishal Patel and Henry Graham followed with a loose shot edging Monsay to the keeper. Clive Williams (37) and Josh Cole (33) steadied the innings with a partnership of 77 for the third wicket, ended when Cole skied a pie from Samitt Patel to Scott in the covers. Until then Cole had showed a marked improvement in his batting from last season, combining solid defence with some hard hit boundaries. Williams eventually fell to Emmerson with the score on 105 in the twenty-sixth over. Abdullah Ali took his time getting going, bringing out his full array of blocks before letting loose. A miscommunication led to the run out of Jeff Dawson who had got half way down the pitch before realising Ali was not interested in the single. Phil Ridgeway (10) and Ali (25) both fell playing across the line to Jack Patel who also trapped Yasir Gul leg before to claim 3 for 31. Joe Graham added a useful 36 down the order to take Hurley to a declaration on 178 for 8 after 40 overs. In reply Ashish Patel (13) and Julian Coppock (10) struggled against pace and movement from Henry Graham and Mike Cole who both beat the outside edge regularly without reward. In the end it was a wide delivery from Graham that did the

trick, with Coppock slicing to backward point, straight into the hands of Yasir Gul. Veteran left arm spinner Phil Ridgeway replaced Cole and didn't take long to get the first of his six wickets. He beat Patel through the air and off the pitch, allowing Mike Walton to whip off the bails and send the opener back. The next delivery proved too good for Radhol who tried to cut a full delivery and lost the off stump. 38 for 3 became 60 for 5 as Ridgeway used all his experience to deceive Emmerson (12) caught at mid wicket by Jeff Dawson and Allison (4) bowled by a flighted delivery. The left handed Vishay Patel led a fight back with a hard hitting 40 including six boundaries and one maximum before skying a Ridgeway delivery; after initial confusion between slip and keeper, Walton scrambled to take the catch. Just when Hurley looked to be easing to victory, a 44 run partnership between Vishay Patel and Monsay (18) gave Knotty Green hope. Hurley's young leg spinner Hassan Gul kept his nerve despite some big shots from the batsmen to bowl Monsay at 135 for 7. After the loss of Vishay Patel, Jack Patel added another 20 runs with Sammit Patel before Josh Cole struck Sammit in front to seal the victory by 23 runs.