

Holyport 1XI v HURLEY 1XI – 17th June 2017

Hurley lost 5 wickets

HURLEY		
C Williams	b Morgan	24
D Simoes	c Miller b Mohamed	12
P Ridgeway	Run Out	44
I Arshad	c Mohamed b Vinoth	16
V Sharma	lbw b Vinoth	14
St Taylor	c Mohamed b Vinoth	0
Sc Taylor	c Miller b Wessels	19
H Graham	b Wessels	10
S Riaz	Not Out	22
G Double	c Riley b Mohamed	7
Y Gul	c Wessels b Mohamed	2
	Extras	12
	Total	182ao

D Wessels	15-2-36-2	T Hayes	10-2-38-0
S Mohamed	10.1-3-27-3	V Jayachandran	5-1-32-3
P Morgan	8-0-42-1		

HOLYPORT		
A Riley	b Sc Taylor	8
M Lappin	c Sc Taylor b Arshad	5
V Jayach'n	c Gul b Arshad	7
S Mohamed	c Graham b Arshad	1
D Wessels	lbw b Ridgeway	61
S Miller	Not Out	59
A Land	Not Out	15
	Extras	27
	Total	183-5

S Riaz	13-3-59-0	P Ridgeway	4-1-34-1
I Arshad	15-2-43-3	H Graham	1.3-0-8-0
Sc Taylor	5-2-30-1		

Hurley failed to come to terms with a slow, low wicket at Holyport and were frustrated with a 5 wicket defeat as the home side dealt with the conditions better. Hurley won the toss and batted following on from the successful formula of the previous week, though the home side seemed reluctant to take to the field missing umpire and fielders. Clive Williams (24) and Dave Simoes (12) trod carefully to put on 24 in 10 overs before Simoes chased a wide one and was caught behind. Phil Ridgeway (44) continued his excellent form to shepherd a 2nd wicket stand of 35 before Williams was unluckily bowled. Hurley had a good platform and at 91-2 after 26 overs could look to push on despite the low bounce favouring the shovel over the bat. A clatter of wickets changed the course of the match. Ridgeway pulled to long-on and an easy 2, but a freak direct throw saw him short. Arshad skied Vinoth Jayachandran (3-32) and Steve Taylor barely reached his first ball only to lob it to point. Hurley failed to put together any partnership of substance with only Shoab Riaz (22not) striking the ball fluidly as Hurley posted 182 inside 49 overs. Henry Graham (10) was unlucky to get a shooter and Greg Double (7) fell to an excellent low catch at mid-off, little went the way of the visitors.

Grateful shelter was sought at tea from the hottest day of the year. Imran Arshad (3-43) bowled an excellent spell of 15 overs despite the privations of Ramadan. Shoab Riaz bowled

with pace but without radar as the ball was sprayed around like a tom cat marking it's territory. His exertions soon began to tell almost collapsing behind the sightscreen after his second spell. Hurley took early wickets as the home side subsided to 26-3 and then 60-4. An amazing running catch from Yasir Gul removed Vinoth, the batter never knowing how unlucky he had been. But with skipper Duncan Wessels (61) and Sean Miller (59not) at the crease the game rapidly went the way of the home side as these two added 70. Riaz got more angry at appeals answered in the negative. Wessels caressed the ball rather than bludgeoning it while Miller employed a more punitive approach particularly as Holyport neared victory and after Ridgeway had trapped Wessels lbw (130-5). It took Holyport only 38.3 overs to overhaul the Hurley total.