

HURLEY v Fleet St. Strollers

Date: 6th August

Played at Hurley

Innings of Fleet St. Strollers

J Addis	Not out		129
J Low		b. Haines	38
A Selby	c. Sub	b. Haines	57
G Oliver	Not out		6
		Extras	13
		Total	243
		For	2

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
M Basharat	14	1	50	0
D Walton	5	0	55	0
S Kayani	6	0	41	0
A Ali	1	0	9	0
P McDermott	2	0	22	0
N Haines	5	1	34	2
H Gul	1.3	0	26	0

Innings of Hurley

S Kayani		b. Duff	13
Y Gul	c. Selby	b. Macaulay	2
H Gul		b. Macaulay	0
M Basharat		b. Macaulay	0
M Walton	c. Addis	b. Keightley	18
D Wasim		b. Macaulay	0
N Haines	Not out		19
D Walton	LBW	b. Keightley	0
P McDermott	LBW	b. Keightley	0
A Ali	Absent		
		Extras	5
		Total	57
		For	8

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
S Martin	2	1	1	0
R Duff	4	2	12	1
A Macaulay	4	2	3	4
P Patston	7	1	16	0
S Brodbeck	8	2	13	0
R Wood	5	0	6	0
R Keightley	2.3	0	5	2

Result: Fleet Street Strollers won by 186 runs

The annual visit of Fleet Street Strollers to Hurley turned out to be a rather one sided affair with the hosts only just scraping together 10 players. Mo Basharat won the toss and sensibly asked the visitors to bat first. Basharat and Dave Walton opened the attack against Jono Addis and John Low and despite a tidy opening spell from Basharat, conceding only 29 runs from 11 overs, the batsmen plundered runs at the other end as Walton struggled to find any rhythm. Basharat shuffled his pack of bowlers in an attempt to find a breakthrough but the opening partnership had reached three figures before Nigel Haines (2-34) ended it, bowling Low (38) via inside edge and pad. There was no respite for the Hurley fielders as Selby (57) smashed the ball to the boundary with alarming regularity, reaching his half century off 23 deliveries. It took a good catch by substitute fielder Duff to stop the carnage and give Haines his second wicket. Addis reached a deserved century before cutting loose, adding a further 45 from 3.3 overs with Oliver (6*) before strollers declared on 243 for 2.

With Abdullah Ali providing a taxi service to pick up his mother from Heathrow Airport, the depleted Hurley batting line had little hope of chasing down the total.

Yasir Ali was pressed into service as opener with Shoaib Kayani. The opening partnership reached 13, all off the bat of Kayani, before he was bowled by Duff. Four more wickets fell for the addition of only 8 runs as Macaulay accounted for Gul and Basharat before bowling Hassan Gul and debutant Danesh Wasim with consecutive deliveries. The veteran pairing of Mike Walton (18) and Nigel Haines (19) added some respectability to the Hurley innings with a partnership of 30 in 18 overs. Walton was finally undone by Keightley, edging low to Addis behind the stumps. Dave Walton fell leg before off the next delivery to leave Hurley teetering on the brink at 51 with one wicket remaining. Paul McDermott joined Haines and managed to take the match into the last hour before falling leg before to Keightley to bring the match to an end with the Strollers recording victory by 186 runs.