

## Wraysbury 2XI v HURLEY 1XI – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2017

### Match abandoned

#### **WRAYSBURY 2**

D Tooze	b H Graham	28
G Morgan	b Riaz	12
P Midha	c Ali b J Graham	5
U Ahmed	c Gul b Sharma	60
T Singh	b J Graham	1
D Singh	c Riaz b Ridgeway	48
H Freeman	c H Graham b Sharma	1
M Nawaz	b Ridgeway	3
T Dibley	c Ridgeway b Sharma	20
Z Rabbani	c J Graham b Ridgeway	5
A Freeman	Not Out	5
	Extras	24
	<b>Total</b>	<b>212ao</b>

S Riaz	15-2-56-1	V Sharma	8.2-1-37-3
H Graham	7-1-33-1		
J Graham	8-0-42-2		
P Ridgeway	9-2-36-3		

The curtain came down on another season ducking big jets and dodging showers at Wraysbury. In the end the storm clouds gathered at tea and no further play was possible on a drenched outfield.

Wraysbury won the toss and batted. Dave Tooze (28) swatted Henry Graham (1-33) for 16 before the bright young prospect had the opener bottom edging onto his stumps with 39 on the board off 8 overs. Shabob Riaz (1-56) did most of the heavy lifting with a 15 over spell spoilt only by 11 no balls and scant reward, but he cleaned up the key wicket of Gordon Morgan (12). Morgan had been dropped behind off a regulation catch, responded by smashing two boundaries before Riaz fired in the Yorker. Wraysbury then slipped to 65-4 as Joe Graham (2-42), another fine prospect, produced wobble to get Pav Midha (5) slicing to point and Taran Singh an almighty heave across the line to depart in reckless style. Two overs into his spell Graham had figures of 2-4. A fifth wicket stand of 91 between Urfan Ahmed (60) and Deep Singh (48) in 15 overs swung the match back towards the home side and a big first innings. Both batsmen were hitting freely. Skipper Phil Ridgeway (3-36) disappeared for 11 from his first over, but having got his shoulder loose flighted one that Singh could not resist swatting to long on where Riaz plucked the ball calmly in front of the scoreboard. Ridgeway and Varun Sharma (3-37) then set about the wickets thanks to some excellent catching by the Graham brothers. Sharma removed the rapacious Ahmed to a catch at mid-on by Yasir Gul much to everyone's relief and surprise. Having looked decidedly shaky to start, skipper Tom Dibley (20) hit second gear to lift the home side above 200 before Sharma had him top edging to cover where Ridgeway took the catch and close the innings. Tea was taken with Wraysbury all out 212.

A scrum for tea while Hurley were still in the changing room was a prelude to an excellent repast for our final trip under the flight path with Wraysbury progressing to the TVL next year. Grey clouds gathered like relatives refusing to leave at Christmas, the rain poured down and the match abandoned without a ball being bowled after tea. A heavy 5-0 defeat for Liverpool hardly lifted the spirits to a disappointing end to the league season. Hurley have some serious challenges to kick on in a reduced Chilterns League next year.