

HURLEY v Woodley

Date: 10th June

Played at Hurley

Innings of Woodley

S Arora	c. Graham	b. H Gul	56
P Puri		b. Ali	0
N Fasul	c. Basharat	b. Ali	26
A Suras		b. Graham	4
W Jamadar	c. Basharat	b. Nothey	1
R Ranjan	c. Ali	b. H Gul	76
A Jogalekar	c. Hampton	b. Basharat	22
Neeras	Not out		14
N Kumar	Not out		1
		Extras	21
		Total	221
		For	7

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
M Basharat	6	0	48	1
Ajmal Ali	6	0	23	2
H Graham	7	1	29	1
K Nothey	6	1	27	1
H Gul	7	0	34	2
D Walton	5	0	57	0

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C Williams	c. Arora	b. Ranjan	30
P Hinnell	LBW	b. Fasul	31
Y Gul		b. Neeraj	5
K Nothey	c. Arora	b. Neeraj	8
M Hampton	Not out		50
H Graham	Not out		33
M Walton)		
H Gul)		
Ajmal Ali)- dnb		
M Basharat)		
D. Walton)		
		Extras	21
		Total	178
		For	4

Bowling

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
J Kumar	11	2	32	0
V Bohara	4	0	31	0
N Kumar	2.4	0	10	0
N Fasul	4.2	0	10	1
A Jogalekar	3	2	2	0
R Ranjan	6	0	31	1
Neeraj	7	0	30	2
P Puri	3	0	22	0

Result: Match Drawn.

An entertaining contest between Hurley and Woodley ended up with honours even at Shepherds Lane on Sunday. Mo Basharat won the toss and invited the visitors to bat first. Most of the visiting players had no experience of playing traditional timed cricket and it showed in some of their batting that was more in the style of T20 than a longer game. An early breakthrough by Ajmal Ali to York Puri as he swung across the line reduced Woodley to 6 for 1 after 2 overs. 'Dhoni' Arora was lucky to survive a confident appeal for LBW off Basharat before a recovery by Fasul (26) and Arora (56) saw 41 added for the second wicket, with Ali again being the successful bowler as Basharat pounced a catch at point. Two wickets straight after the drinks break, one each for Graham and Nothey saw the match well poised at 63 for 4. Ranjan (76) joined Dhoni and with a lot of bottom hand added 97 for the fifth wicket. A run out looked the most likely form of dismissal as the rotund Dhoni waddled from one end to the other. Hassan Gul eventually bagged the wicket of Ranjan, well caught in the deep by Ali. Basharat returned to dismiss Jogalekar by way of a low catch at point by Matt Hampton. Dhoni tried a couple of reverse sweeps against the leg-spin of Gul and was lucky not to be bowled on both occasions. He did make contact with his

third attempt at the reverse but only succeeded in lobbing the ball to Graham at gully. Woodley declared on a competitive 221 for 7.

The Hurley reply began well with Clive Williams (30) and Pat Hinnell (31) making good progress in the early overs before becoming bogged down. The score had reached 58 when Williams was caught at gully by Dhoni off the bowling of Ranjan. At the start of the last hour Hurley still required 153 for victory but with 9 wickets in hand it was still possible. Three wickets for 14 runs in five overs put paid to any realistic hope of victory but Matt Hampton (50*) and Henry Graham (33*) never gave up hope. Graham was adjudged leg before a couple of overs from the end, but was sportingly recalled by the fielding side, having got an inside edge before the ball hit the pads. Hampton reached his half century with a boundary off the final ball of the match as the hosts finished on 178 for 4.