

Knotty Green 3<sup>rd</sup> v Hurley 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

Hurley Innings

	<b>Name</b>	<b>How Out</b>	<b>Bowler</b>	<b>Runs</b>
<b>1</b>	Mike Walton†		b Dev Barot	<b>2</b>
<b>2</b>	Hamzah Zaman		b Matthew Greenland	<b>13</b>
<b>3</b>	Mubashir Nabi		b Dhruv Upadhyay	<b>15</b>
<b>4</b>	Haider-Ali Baig	run out		<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	Ravi Singh	ct Jekin Patel	b Dev Barot	<b>1</b>
<b>6</b>	Joban Singh*	ct Raj Patel	b Harshil Shah	<b>52</b>
<b>7</b>	Akash Singh	lbw	b Ronesh Nathwani	<b>0</b>
<b>8</b>	Sher Singh		b Ronesh Nathwani	<b>20</b>
<b>9</b>	Hassan Gul	not out		<b>16</b>
<b>10</b>	Ramkrishna Kota		b Harshil Shah	<b>0</b>
<b>11</b>	Nigel Haines	ct Rohan Monsy	b Matthew Greenland	<b>0</b>
<b>Extras</b>	<b>b (11), lb (2), w (3), nb (2)</b>			<b>18</b>
<b>Total</b>				<b>141</b>
<b>Wickets</b>				<b>all out</b>
<b>Overs</b>				<b>41.3</b>

	<b>Bowler</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Wickets</b>
<b>1</b>	Harshil Shah	6	0	12	2
<b>2</b>	Matthew Greenland	8.3	2	23	2
<b>3</b>	Dev Barot	9	1	41	2
<b>4</b>	Raj Patel	1	0	5	0
<b>5</b>	Ronesh Nathwani	11	1	21	2
<b>6</b>	Dhruv Upadhyay	6	1	26	1

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<b>1</b>	Ashish Patel	ct Akash Singh	b Sher Singh	<b>4</b>
<b>2</b>	Jekin Patel*	not out		<b>25</b>
<b>3</b>	Rohan Monsy†	ct Ravi Singh	b Joban Singh	<b>2</b>
<b>4</b>	Dhruvil Shah		b Sher Singh	<b>3</b>
<b>5</b>	Matthew Greenland	ct Akash Singh	b Hassan Gul	<b>63</b>
<b>6</b>	Michael Butcher	not out		<b>33</b>
<b>7</b>	Ronesh Nathwani	did not bat		
<b>8</b>	Raj Patel	did not bat		
<b>9</b>	Harshil Shah	did not bat		
<b>10</b>	Dhruv Upadhyay	did not bat		
<b>11</b>	Dev Barot	did not bat		
<b>Extras</b>	<b>b (4), lb (1), w (8), nb (2)</b>			<b>15</b>
<b>Total</b>				<b>145</b>
<b>Wickets</b>				<b>4</b>
<b>Overs</b>				<b>34.2</b>

	<b>Bowler</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Wickets</b>
<b>1</b>	Joban Singh	7	4	8	1
<b>2</b>	Sher Singh	7	2	23	2
<b>3</b>	Ramkrishna Kota	3	0	24	0
<b>4</b>	Hamzah Zaman	4	0	21	0
<b>5</b>	Hassan Gul	4	0	26	1
<b>6</b>	Ravi Singh	5	0	12	0
<b>7</b>	Nigel Haines	3.2	0	16	0
<b>8</b>	Haider-Ali Baig	1	0	10	0

Result: Knotty Green 3<sup>rd</sup> won by 6 wickets.

For the first match of the second half of the season, Hurley travelled to Ibstone to take on Knotty Green 3rds. The rural surroundings with no sight screens, no pavilion in use, an outfield that had not seen a mower for a considerable time and a heavily grassed wicket provided a big contrast to the comparative luxury the Hurley players are used to at Shepherds Lane. Joban Singh lost the toss, and the visitors were invited to bat first. Both the openers were dismissed with only 18 on the board in the eleventh over, with Barot and

Greenland getting one each. Another dozen runs were added before Haider-Ali Baig was run out by a direct hit, attempting an unlikely second run. Mubashir Nabi (15), Ravi Singh (1) and Akash Singh (0) all came and went quickly, leaving Hurley floundering on 68 for 6 after twenty overs. Joban Singh (52) and Sher Singh (20) staged a recovery with a partnership of 36 for the seventh wicket and it was mainly thanks to skipper Joban that Hurley posted a semi-respectable score. A plucky 16\* from Hassan Gul saw them reach 141 all out in the forty-second over.

In reply, Knotty Green were soon in trouble losing three wickets for twenty in the first ten overs. Joban (1-8) and Sher (2-23) made the most of the conditions to make life difficult for the batsmen. Knotty Green skipper Jekin Patel played and missed on countless occasions but stuck to his task to hold the innings together. The difference between the teams was the batting of Matthew Greenland with a hard hitting 63 which effectively took the game away from Hurley. With the second-string seamers unable to gain any penetration, Joban turned to his spinners, and it was Hassan Gul who finally got rid of Greenland, caught in the deep by Akash off a full toss. This was to be the last success for the visitors, despite Michael Butcher looking bewildered by the leg spin of Gul and left arm spin of Nigel Haines he somehow managed to survive and see his side home. Fittingly the winning runs were hit by skipper Patel with his only boundary to see league the league leaders home with thirteen overs to spare and ensure everyone got home in time to witness England's demolition of Ukraine in Euro 2020.