

Denham 2nd v Hurley 2ndSaturday 17th July 2021

Hurley Innings

	Name	How Out	Bowler	Runs
1	Clive Williams	ct Sikander Merchant	b Zayn B	11
2	Mandeep Singh	ct Bobby Rai	b Danny Dawson	24
3	David Simoes		b Charles George	40
4	Josh Cole*		ct & b Danny Dawson	13
5	Haider-Ali Baig	ct Arun Singh	b Vihaan Weerasinghe	14
6	Hamzah Zaman	ct Bobby Rai	b Raghu Madabushi	4
7	Mike Walton†	not out		21
8	Joe Barrass	not out		21
9	Liam Cole	did not bat		
10	Nigel Haines	did not bat		
11	Ramkrishna Kota	did not bat		
	Extras b (7), w (1)			8
	Total			156
	Wickets			6
	Overs			47

	Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
1	Zayn B	11	1	45	1
2	Danny Dawson	7	0	30	2
3	Charles George	10	0	44	1
4	Raghu Madabushi	12	6	15	1
5	Vihaan Weerasinghe	7	0	15	1

Denham Innings

	Name	How Out	Bowler	Runs
1	Arun Singh	ct Hamzah Zaman	b Joe Barrass	55
2	Ikki Shokat†	ct Mandeep Singh	b Haider-Ali Baig	33
3	Bobby Rai	ct Haider-Ali Baig	b Joe Barrass	46
4	Josh Simpson		b Haider-Ali Baig	0
5	Sikander Merchant	not out		10
6	Anik Kanabar	not out		7
7	Vihaan Weerasinghe	did not bat		
8	Danny Dawson*	did not bat		
9	Raghu Madabushi	did not bat		
10	Charles George	did not bat		
11	Zayn B	did not bat		
Extras	b (3), lb (1), w (1), nb (1)			6
Total				157
Wickets				4
Overs				28.2

	Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
1	Liam Cole	4	0	31	0
2	Nigel Haines	4	0	26	0
3	Haider-Ali Baig	7	1	24	2
4	Ramkrishna Kota	4	1	22	0
5	Hamzah Zaman	2	0	16	0
6	Mandeep Singh	2	0	8	0
7	Joe Barrass	5	0	24	2
8	David Simoes	0.2	0	2	0

Result: Denham 2nd won by 6 wickets.

Hurley made the trip along the M40 to take on Denham in the Marrant Chilterns League Division 2. Unusually for Denham, they were presented with a hard dry track, on a hot, sunny day and were surprised to be asked to bat first on losing the toss. Hurley's main failing this season has been batsmen who are set getting out for twenties and thirties and not going on to make telling scores, today was no different. Clive Williams (11) and Mandeep Singh (24) got the innings off to a good start with runs coming in excess of four an

over against Zayn and Dawson. Both openers then fell in the space of two overs with Williams the first to go, top edging to Merchant off Zayn. Mandeep followed in the next over when he failed to clear Bobby Rai at point. Only 11 more runs were added before Josh Cole prodded a return catch to Dawson who did well to cling on, inches above the deck. David Simoes, making his seasonal debut, and Haider-Ali Baig (14) added twenty-four for the fourth wicket, but the loss of Baig and Hamzah Zaman (4) in consecutive overs to Weerasinghe and Raghu respectively, found the visitors struggling at 96 for 5 and in danger of being bowled out cheaply. Mike Walton joined Simoes and despite a hamstring injury that necessitated Mandeep acting as a runner for Walton, got Hurley to their second batting point before Simoes was undone by a good delivery from Charles George in the forty-second over. Joe Barrass (21*) and Walton (21*) ensured that Hurley batted out the full forty-seven overs to post a total of 156 for 6.

Defending an under-par total on a good batting track was always going to be difficult and the enormity of the task soon became apparent. Hurley opted to use their spinners, with the old ball, but Arun Singh (55) and Ikki Shokat (33) set about the bowling with intent, posting 57 in 9 overs. Baig replaced Liam Cole (0-31) and struck with his first ball, a full toss to Shokat that was caught on the square-leg boundary by Mandeep. Bobby Rai (46) continued the onslaught, taking the score to 138 in the twenty-third over. A mini collapse as three wickets went down for no runs in three overs, caused a flutter in the hearts of the home side. Maybe the fumes from the local pot smokers wafting across the ground affected the batsmen as Arun Singh holed out to long on off Barrass, Josh Simpson (0) only lasted 5 deliveries from Baig before losing his middle stump and Rai sliced a delivery from Barrass into the safe hands of Baig in the covers. This proved to be only a temporary blip as Merchant (10*) and Kanabar (7*) saw their team home with fourteen overs to spare, ensuring the players had time for a leisurely beer or two in the evening sunshine.