

Hurley CC - 2nd XI Vs Winchmore Hill CC (Penn) - 2nd XI

Type	League: Berkshire, Chilterns and Mid Bucks League - Chilterns Div 2 2023	Rules Type	Standard
Ground	Hurley CC	Date	Saturday 8th July 2023
Toss	Winchmore Hill CC (Penn) - 2nd XI won the toss and elected to field	Start Time	13:00

Hurley CC

Name	How Out	Bowler	Runs	4s	6s	Balls
Greg Double†		b Dan Sturgess	9	1	0	16
Akash Singh	ct Aaron Chopra	b Liam Van Den Berg	0	0	0	1
Ravi Singh	ct Tom Hewat	b Dan Sturgess	25	2	1	23
Ahsan Mirza	ct Asim Khan	b Dan Sturgess	0	0	0	3
Joban Singh*	ct Pierre Van Den Berg	b Aaron Chopra	21	3	0	20
Gurdev Singh	ct Dan Sturgess	b Asim Khan	51	5	1	57
Happi Singh	lbw	b Ed Stanborough	45	2	4	48
Bikram Singh	not out		4	0	0	8
Sachin Arora		b Asim Khan	0	0	0	1
Osama Munir	ct Aaron Chopra	b Asim Khan	1	0	0	10
Kuljit Lally		b Asim Khan	0	0	0	2
Extras	b (7), lb (2), w (14), nb (4)		27			
Total			183			
Wickets			all out			
Overs			30.5			

* = Captain, † = Wicket Keeper

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Liam Van Den Berg	5.0	0	28	1
Dan Sturgess	5.0	0	33	3
Pierre Van Den Berg	6.0	1	33	0
Aaron Chopra	6.0	0	43	1
Tom Hewat	2.0	0	25	0
Ed Stanborough	4.0	0	7	1
Asim Khan	2.5	0	5	4

Winchmore Hill CC (Penn)

Name	How Out	Bowler	Runs	4s	6s	Balls
Chris Egan	ct Bikram Singh	b Ravi Singh	7	0	0	37
Aaron Chopra	lbw	b Osama Munir	4	1	0	11
Asim Khan		ct & b Osama Munir	8	2	0	18
Mohammed Ali	ct Greg Double	b Ravi Singh	8	1	0	64
Steve Edwards†	ct Akash Singh	b Ravi Singh	12	2	0	14
Tom Hewat	ct Ahsan Mirza	b Happi Singh	10	2	0	30
Pierre Van Den Berg	ct Greg Double	b Joban Singh	30	4	2	21
Liam Van Den Berg	ct Ahsan Mirza	b Kuljit Lally	13	2	0	20
Dan Sturgess	lbw	b Joban Singh	8	1	0	13
Stuart Worley*	not out		2	0	0	13
Ed Stanborough		b Joban Singh	0	0	0	1
Extras	nb (1)		1			
Total			103			
Wickets			all out			
* = Captain, † = Wicket Keeper			Overs	40.1		

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Ravi Singh	15.0	10	13	3
Osama Munir	11.0	3	33	2
Happi Singh	6.0	2	24	1
Joban Singh	4.1	2	12	3
Kuljit Lally	4.0	1	21	1

Result: Hurley won by 80 runs.

Table-topping Hurley lost the toss on a cloudy, overcast day down Shepherds Lane to a Winchmore Hill side who elected to bowl, despite knowing their best two bowlers of all time – Lally and Osama – were now playing for Hurley.

It was a good toss to win with conditions heavily favouring the bowling side. A new look opening partnership of Greg Singh Double and Akash Singh got Hurley off to a flyer when the former hit a single of the first ball of the day. Unfortunately, Akash misheard 'flyer' as 'skier' and was out first ball after top edging an attempted tickle down the leg side to first slip.

This brought the dynamic Ravi Singh to the crease who, despite a few nervous run out possibilities, looked in fine fettle – before one shot too many saw him depart for 25. More Hurley recklessness followed as Mirza was out without troubling the scorers, before Double,

who had looked Collingwood-esque with nudges and nurdles, decided to hit himself in the leg instead of hitting the ball to be clean bowled for 10.

Hurley had been hit with a serious case of the creepy Zak Crawleys. Looking good, but then getting out before kicking on. Skipper Joban looked to be steadying the ship with a well-made 21, before he too toed one to mid-off. The Winchmore Hill heads were up, but Hurley bat deep and Gurdev and Happi Singh combined beautifully to counter-attack Hurley to a defendable score. Gurdev successfully made his half century, whilst Harri fell just short with his swashbuckling 45. There was still time for a few more ducks, one of them golden, in the Hurley tail end as they set Winchmore Hill a gettable 184 for victory.

Not for the first time this season, Hurley kept the old ball and opened with the spinning pair of Ravi Singh and Osama. It looked to be an inspired choice as the ex-Winchmore man (2-33) bowled with turn and control to remove both openers. Ravi Singh first starved Winchmore of runs, before later taking a trio of scalps – most notably Winchmore's Ali whose resilient defence (6 from 86 balls, Mike Walton is that you?) was ended after a bat-pad nick was gobbled by Double down the leg side.

Despite the modest total, Winchmore never truly seemed to fancy the chase until a South African father-son partnership took them within 80 with four wickets remaining. Luckily, having been dispatched for six the ball before, Joban Singh had the dangerous Saffer nicking behind to Double – who is still yet to concede a bye or drop a catch all season.

After that, Hurley showed no mercy as Joban ripped through the tail to return figures of 3-12, ably supported by Happi and Lally who picked up a wicket each. Ravi Singh's 3-13 helped set the tone and really the game could have been over much earlier had it not been for some disastrous fielding from the normally capable Hurley contingent. There were a total of 10 drops by Hurley fielders, meaning Winchmore could have been all out twice. This sloppiness will need to improve if Hurley are to keep their top of the table status.

With 3-13 and a well made 25, Ravi Singh could possibly be man of the match, but given the amount of times he nearly ran out the match reporter – this week's man of the match goes to Gurdev Singh for a well-made 50 that got Hurley to a game-winning score.