



Great Brickhill Match Report

Saturday 1st XI

Date: Saturday, 5th June
Opposition: **Aston Rowant II**
Venue: Home
Competition: Cherwell League Div 3
Result: Rain Stopped Play
Weather: Overcast / Rain
Toss won by/elected to: **Great Brickhill / Bowl**

GREAT Brickhill hosted Aston Rowant 2nds and after winning the toss and opting to bowl first, the new ball pairing of Dave Austen and Pete Hastings got them off to a perfect start.

Austen made the breakthrough without a run on the board and then took another in his next over. Hastings then got in on the act taking the third wicket with the score on 10. However, once the new ball started to lose its shine Rowant started to get back into the game. The fourth wicket added 100 runs to the score before Tweed then made the next breakthrough.

Doug Aris again bowled an excellent spell as he and Tweed ensured runs were hard to come by. Rowant eventually batted out their 53 overs reaching 209-9 as Aris, Tweed and Austen finished with two wickets each and Hastings three.

In reply Brickhill lost Liam Rice early but Arran Aris was in great form and the runs started to flow. After seven overs Brickhill had 50 runs on the board and looked to be well on their way. But Rowant began to chip away at the top order and when Aris fell for a fluent 48 the result looked in doubt.

The seventh wicket fell with the score at 145 and Rowant could sense victory. But the game swung back in Brickhill's favour with a stubborn stand of 50 between Tweed and John Cook. The pair took them to within 16 runs of victory but were denied by a sudden and torrential downpour ending the game four overs early with Cook stranded on 43 not out and Tweed on 30 unbeaten.

Brickhill have now had three of their first five games affected by weather and as such sit fifth in the table but remain unbeaten.

Great Brickhill

Score 193-7

Aris 48 J Cook 43no N Tweed 30no

C Eaton 3-68

Points 11

Aston Rowant II

Score 209-9

D Whatmore 80 T Cooper 36 S Shephard 30

P Hastings 3-54

Points 14