



Grace's Cricket Club

Match Report

Grace's CC v Stanmore CC

17th August 2008

GRACES SLIP TO SECOND LEAGUE DEFEAT

After enjoying a largely successful season thus far in the first division of the Middx Sunday League Div 1, Graces slipped to their second defeat of the campaign against a youthful Stanmore side. Batting first there appeared little to trouble the openers until Shorrocks mistimed a drive and was bowled then with fifty on the board and Stockinger looking threatening, a wide ball down the leg side struck his back leg and rolled onto the stumps and in no time fifty for one had become fifty five for four. A stand of forty three between Smith and Bielby raised home hopes of a recovery but with the fall of Smith all the later batsmen could was to bat out the overs and garner such runs as they could muster, finishing on one hundred and forty-two for nine. A disappointing total when five batsmen had made comfortable starts but none had gone on to play the big innings that was needed.

In reply the Stanmore batsmen looked as comfortable as had Graces but without the disasters and despite the use of seven bowlers they moved inexorably towards their rather meagre target, Reaching it for the loss of just four wickets. Two to Shorrocks and one each to Shofiq and Modi.

For more details check out Graces website at www.gaycricket.org.uk