



## GERRARDS CROSS CRICKET CLUB Match Report

Aldershot 1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Gerrards Cross 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2008
Thames Valley League Division 3A
Aldershot won by 8 wickets

### Scorecard

Innings of Gerrards Cross					Innings of Aldershot				
G Eykyn	b Gill			0	C Bowditch	c Eykyn b Bruce			2
A Peace	b Gill			1	C Tilson	not out			101
R Knudsen	b Anslow			19	J Boukhobza	c Bruce b Peace			24
S Grover	c Gill b Mumby			43	D Anslow	not out			29
S Litchfield	b Anslow			6					
E Montague	c Tilson b Mumby			7					
S Bracey	run out			8					
N Bruce	not out			30					
W Arbi	run out			0					
M Wildman	c Mumby b Anslow			11					
R Thomas	c Summers b Mumby			13					
Extras				18	Extras				3
<b>TOTAL – 50.2 overs</b>				<b>158</b>	<b>TOTAL – for 2 wickets, 43.4 overs</b>				<b>159</b>
Bowling					Bowling				
Name	O	M	R	W	Name	O	M	R	W
Gill	7	3	12	2	Bruce	11	4	21	1
Anslow	14	1	49	3	Montague	6	2	19	0
Summers	8	0	36	0	Wildman	7	1	17	0
Hameed	6	2	18	0	Thomas	5	1	21	0
Mumby	15.2	5	32	3	Arbi	5	1	21	0
					Peace	2	0	18	1
					Bracey	5	0	29	0
					Knudsen	3	0	11	0

## Report

Gerrards Cross 2XI lost their second away league game of the season at Aldershot on Saturday, after a below par batting performance left them short of a competitive target.

After again winning the toss, the Cross decided to bat, a decision soon made to look questionable after openers George Eykyn and Andy Peace were back in the pavilion with only 5 on the board. Richard Knudsen batted stylishly for 19 before being yorked by Anslow, a fate also to befall Sam Litchfield (6) to leave the Cross reeling at 36-4. Sonny Grover (43) was going strong at the other end, but after losing Ed Montague, Grover then ran out Sam Bracey (8), the first of two needless Cross run outs on the day. After Grover had succumbed to the experienced Mumby to leave the Cross at 100-8, the experienced trio of Nigel Bruce (30\*), Mark Wildman (11) and Richard Thomas (13) earnt the Cross extra points and gave Aldershot a tricky target.

The Cross' 'old ball' strategy paid dividends when Bowditch snicked to Eykyn with the score on 8, but Tilson and Boukhobza rode their luck and added 69 for the second wicket. Boukhobza fell to Peace, but Tilson strode on, mixing well timed shots in the 'V' with some speculative flails outside off stump and a series of edges over point.

Although the Cross worked hard in the field, on a wicket that appeared to have eased, they were never in contention to win, and Tilson duly completed his century, and Aldershot's victory with five overs to spare.

Such is the tight nature of division 3A that the Cross' defeat has done them little harm, and they will be looking to get back to winning ways when Kew are the visitors next week.