



### **LOUGHBOROUGH at WEETWOOD – 9 APRIL 2011**

The wicket was an interesting one all match and Leeds-Bradford, on winning the toss, decided to bat, probably reasoning that it would not get any better.

We got off to a slow start but Naweed Ghany tried to inject some momentum and, during his brief stay, the run-rate was up to almost 4 an over. But, once he was dismissed by a good, low catch by Taylor, such heights were never again reached.

Craig Williamson and Matt Higginbottom looked, in many respects, as comfortable as anyone but it was too much to expect them to get the final total up to the 150 that would have made the game very interesting.

With only 105 to defend, quick wickets and plenty of them were required. Adam Wilson certainly did his bit by striking in the 1<sup>st</sup> over and, at 46-6, with the top 6 batters all back in the tent, a splendid turn-around was most definitely on the cards.

Enter Oliver Wilkin, one of 7 newcomers to the Loughborough ranks for 2011. His innings was dictated, apparently, by a belief that his number would be up sooner or later, so he might as well make hay while he could in the glorious April sunshine.

He hit 8 fours and 1 six and the small target was soon reduced to miniscule proportions. He was sharply caught down the leg-side by Dan Hodgson with victory and a personal 50 in sight. It was then left to Messrs James and Turns to score the remaining few singles required.

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