

**Aldenham v Westminster**

**1<sup>st</sup> XI**            Westminster    108 all out (B. Patel 3-16, T. Pettet 3-22)  
                          Aldenham        112 for 7 (T.Pettet 48\*)

**Aldenham won by 3 wickets**

**2<sup>nd</sup> XI**            Aldenham        162 all out (A. Barnes 47)  
                          Westminster    129 all out

**Aldenham won by 33 runs**

**U15 'A'**            Aldenham        200 for 4 dec. (G. Stear 100\*, M. Ralph 35)  
                          Westminster    95 for 8

**Match Drawn**

**U15 'B'**            No match

**U14 'A'**            Aldenham        76 all out  
                          Westminster    77 for 5

**Aldenham lost by 5 wickets**

**U14 'B'**            Aldenham        169 all out (H. Memon 30\*)  
                          Westminster    101 all out (S. Getino 3-14)

**Aldenham won by 68 runs**

**1<sup>st</sup> XI – Report (35 Over match)**

Winning the toss for the third time in a row Tom Pettet decided to bowl first on a slightly damp Aldenham pitch. Once again the opening bowlers (B. Boothby and S. Shah) bowled effectively and restricted Westminster to 34-1 of 15 Overs. The spin duo of B.Patel and T.Pettet then performed strongly and destroyed most of Westminster's middle order taking three wickets each. A quick fire 26 from Westminster number 8 allowed them to reach a target of 108 before finally being bowled out in the 34<sup>th</sup> over.

Having experienced a low target run chase against QEB the Aldenham openers (S.Shah and G.Copley) wanted to make no mistakes and took the score to 29 without the loss of a wicket. However, there followed another Aldenham collapse and we were quickly reduced to 49-5 and somewhat on the back foot. However, with T.Pettet and M. Lench at the crease things steadied and the runs started to flow once again. Unfortunately, Lench was dismissed on 91. W. Collier then smashed three fours to take Aldenham to 108. He was cleaned bowled allowing M. Raby to strike his first ball in 1<sup>st</sup> XI cricket to the boundary (reminiscent of D.Gower on his Test debut) and the match was won. T. Pettet remained on 48\* and must be congratulated on an excellent all round performance but particularly for his fine batting display under some considerable pressure.

Elsewhere good wins were secured by the 2nds and U14 'Bs'. The 2nds have now won three games on the trot meaning the Senior school cricket sides have won 6 out of 6 - a remarkable achievement! The U14 B team has transformed themselves under WPNP guidance. Losing their first match by 168 runs but winning this week by the comprehensive margin of 68 runs.

G. Stear from the U15 A team scored Aldenham's first century of the season and he must be warmly congratulated. Unfortunately that match was drawn with Westminster 8 wickets down. Stear has been rewarded with a place in the 1<sup>st</sup> XI against Berkhamsted tomorrow.

The U15 and U14 both have cup matches on Thursday this week (at home 3.30/4.00starts) and our next block fixture are against Watford Grammar (J.Shafe) next Saturday. As always your support is most welcome.

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