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Venue: Away Format: 20/20

## Result: Lost

by 32 runs

<u>Batsmen</u>	<u>How Out</u>	<u>Fielder</u>	<u>Bowler</u>	<u>Total</u>
1 L. Blatchford	Not Out			58
2 M. Stanbury	Bowled			39
3 A. Bevan	Caught			0
4 R. Phibbs	Run Out			11
5 E. Hyde	Run Out			0
6 J. Walter	Not Out			0
7 N. Sankaravel	Bowled			11
8 A. East	Not Out			4
9 K. Malcolm				0
10 K.H. Whiter				0
11 K. Ponsford				0
			<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>123</b>
			Byes	5
			Leg Byes	3
			Wides	0
			No Balls	1
			<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>132</b>
				for 5 wickets

<u>Bowler</u>	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Mdns</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Av.</u>	<u>Econ.</u>	<u>S.R.</u>
1 K.H. Whiter	4	0	14	2	7.00	3.50	12.00
2 N. Sankaravel	2	0	22	0	0.00	11.00	0.00
3 K. Malcolm	4	0	41	1	41.00	10.25	24.00
4 K. Ponsford	4	0	28	0	0.00	7.00	0.00
5 A. East	4	0	35	0	0.00	8.75	0.00
6 J. Walter	2	0	21	1	21.00	10.50	12.00
			<b>Subtotal</b>				
							161
							Byes 2
							Leg Byes 1
			<b>Grand Total</b>				<b>164</b>
							for 4 wickets

<u>Fielder</u>	<u>Catches</u>
L. Blatchford	1
M. Stanbury	1

### Match Report

Poor old Luke Blatchford got a bit of a hospital pass in his debut-match as captain for this one. A belter of a wicket for batting on a cloudless hot day, and he was sent in to defend a large Jordan Hill field. O.U.P were gifted a fantastic start, reaching 56 in 6 overs after Naveen Sankaravel and then Kieron Malcolm were set upon by the exuberant batsmen. At the other end Keith Whiter bowled with effort after having a second-ball plumb LBW shout declined, but was rewarded in his final over by dismissing both openers and having the incoming no.3 dropped after edging to the close-in Eddy Hyde. One of those wickets was to an outstanding long-off boundary catch from Matt Stanbury that on any other pitch would have sailed over the boundary. But by now, OUP were on cloud 9 with 80 on the board. Keith Ponsford and Alan East kept things as tight as they could in the middle overs, without reward, and Joe Walter was able to have big-hitting Heron caught by Blatchford at deep mid-off, though at some expense in the final overs. But it was nice to see the big-hearted Malcolm return to complete his spell, taking a well-deserved wicket which he celebrated with a whoop of delight. The damage was done though, and setting a total of 164 from their 20-overs, OUP would have been confident of defending their best score against Isis in living memory. Blatchford backed himself though, and together with Matt Stanbury did a great job of building a worthy reply and getting to Isis to 70 without loss after 10 overs. But Isis were always playing catch-up and when Stanbury was sent back after failing to block a quicker ball, and Alex Bevan was caught shortly afterwards, Isis hopes were forlorn. Rory Phibbs and Naveen Sankaravel both got themselves into double-figures, but the pinch-hitting that was required to support Blatchford's effort never really materialised. A captain's innings for an excellent 58 not out, saw Blatchford forced to retire and the innings fell into disarray when a couple of keystone cop run-outs left Isis short by 32 runs with a credible total of 132. Well done to OUP, who were deserving of their first win in eleven years, and well done too to Luke Blatchford who skippered with authority in difficult circumstances and never gave up in trying to defend a lost cause.