

Congs' bowling hit around the park

Mirfield P.C.
Pudsey Congs

282-6
121-6

An incredible example of batsmanship by Mirfield's Zahid Patel had Pudsey Congs reeling as he slammed 110 runs not out in only 19 overs.

What made the feat even more remarkable was that with just one over to go Patel was on 82 but then hit five fours and a six in the last six balls.

One consolation for Congs before they went in to bat was the form of John Wilkinson whose fast bowling took four for 84.

With a massive score to catch Congs opened with Hirst and Butcher but Butcher fell quickly for 13 to a superb catch by Colin Fretwell, bowled Patel.

David Hirst continued

to bat well but Malpass went for five and Curtis fell with a duck. Thornton and Middlebrook were quickly dismissed for nine and one respectively. Hirst was eventually caught for 41 after a Smith delivery, but had survived a determined 36 overs.

A defiant Dodgson ably partnered by N. Hirst then allowed Congs a point as they hung on through the final overs. But the team's display as a whole must be cause for concern at a club with such high ambitions as Congs.

SCOREBOARD

MIRFIELD: Laycock b Wilkinson 7, M. Lumb b M. Hirst 36, C. Briggs c Oldfield b Wilkinson 0, G. Woolard c Wilkinson b Curtis 57, Z. Patel not out 110, D. Lawson c Dodgson b Wilkinson 31, H. Fretwell c Jackson b Wilkinson 4, C. Fretwell not out 10. Extras 27, total 282.

CONGS: D. Hirst c Griffiths b Smith 41, P. Butcher c C. Fret-

well b Patel 13, P. Malpass c Patel b H. Fretwell 5, G. Curtis c Patel b H. Fretwell 0, I. Thornton c Woolard b H. Fretwell 9, R. Middlebrook c Smith b H. Fretwell 1, P. Dodgson not out 33, M. Hirst not out 6. Extras 13, total 121.

Congs bowling: C. Oldfield 11-2-43-0; J. Wilkinson 15-0-84-4; M. Hirst 8-1-28-1; G. Curtis 7-0-80-1; R. Middlebrook 5-0-40-0.