

East Anglian Premier League - Match No 14 - Saturday July 21st 2018 - All Day

Burwell and Exning CC	156 all out	(4 points)
Sudbury CC	159-4	(25 points)

Sudbury extended their lead at the top of the East Anglian Premier League table by seeing off the challenge of Burwell and Exning by 6 wickets.

Sudbury decided to field first when they won the toss on a very hot and humid day, hopeful of restricting their visitors to a manageable total. James Poulson struck first when Tom Griffiths drove into the hands of Kenny Moulton-Day at cover to depart without scoring. Andrew Bramley was the next man out when he skewed a drive to be caught off the bowling of Jonny Gallagher. A useful partnership of 56 between Burwell and Exning skipper Joe Tetley and Simon Donald then pushed the visitors score up to 70 before Tim Johnston found a way through Tetley's defences to bowl him for 25. Donald continued on his way towards a half century but fell nine runs short when Tom Huggins bowled him through his legs to leave Burwell and Exning 114-4. Huggins then weaved his magic to take regular wickets to stifle Burwell's progress. The ex-Suffolk captain took 6-32 in a devastating spell of 16.5 overs that saw the Cambridge based side subside to 156 all out. Jonny Gallagher provided excellent support for Huggins as he toiled away in the heat and probably deserved better than his 2-46 from a full 18 overs.

Sudbury's reply started brightly with both Huggins and Adam Mansfield adding 32 for the first wicket. Mansfield fell when Tetley clung onto a difficult chance behind the stumps which brought Darren Batch to the crease. Huggins and Batch added 83 for the second wicket which all but ended the match as a contest. With the league leaders needing just 42 to win, Huggins fell to one which spun sharply to beat his outside edge and clip off stump. Moulton-Day and last week's hero Ben Parker came and went in quick succession, both having been bowled by spinners Jay Ghelani and Tim Catley. Making his Sudbury debut, Martyn Cull ensured there were no further scares and alongside Batch added the required runs to bring victory for Sudbury just before the scheduled tea break.

Sudbury travel to the seaside town of Frinton next week hoping to increase their lead at the top of the EAPL table.