YORKSHIRE SECOND ELEVEN IN THE MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP

SEASON 1931 - FINAL TABLE

		Р	W	L	DWF	DLF	NC/AB	Pts	PtsPC	Net Run Rate
	Pts awarded	-	5	-	3	1	-	-	-	-
1	Leicestershire 2nd XI	8	6	1	0	1	0	31	77.500	4.355
2	Surrey 2nd XI	12	6	0	2	2	2	38	76.000	7.082
3	Buckinghamshire	10	4	1	2	0	3	26	74.286	5.142
4	Lancashire 2nd XI	14	5	2	4	0	3	37	67.273	10.102
5	Durham	8	4	2	0	0	2	20	66.667	3.097
6	Yorkshire 2nd XI	10	3	1	2	2	2	23	57.500	5.354
7	Staffordshire	10	3	1	1	2	3	20	57.143	2.956
8	Oxfordshire	10	3	2	1	1	3	19	54.286	6.334
9	Wiltshire	8	3	2	1	2	0	20	50.000	-2.155
10	Norfolk	10	3	3	2	1	1	22	48.889	1.536
11	Kent 2nd XI	10	3	3	2	2	0	23	46.000	1.101
12	Bedfordshire	10	2	2	2	2	2	18	45.000	-3.863
13	Hertfordshire	12	4	3	0	4	1	24	43.636	3.410
14	Warwickshire 2nd XI	8	2	2	1	2	1	15	42.857	1.568
15	Berkshire	10	2	2	1	2	3	15	42.857	1.522
16	Dorset	8	1	2	3	1	1	15	42.857	0.676
17	Cornwall	8	1	2	2	1	2	12	40.000	-0.021
18	Cambridgeshire	8	2	4	2	0	0	16	40.000	-2.610
19	Cheshire	8	1	2	1	1	3	9	36.000	-0.749
20	Lincolnshire	10	3	5	0	1	1	16	35.556	-4.072
21	Northumberland	8	1	3	1	1	2	9	30.000	-5.599
22	Nottinghamshire 2nd XI	8	0	2	3	3	0	12	30.000	-6.556
23	Devon	10	0	3	1	3	3	6	14.143	-7.207
24	Monmouthshire	8	0	5	1	2	0	5	12.500	-16.881
25	Denbighshire	10	0	7	1	0	2	3	7.500	-14.536

Position of teams in the final table is determined firstly by the better percentage of possible points (PtsPC) and then by the better net runs per wkt (Net Run Rate)

DWF – Drawn match but ahead on first inns

DLF – Drawn match but behind on first inns

NC/Ab – matches not counted in the final calculation of the table or matches abandoned

Player	Μ	Ι	NO	TR	HS	Ave	100s	50s	Ct/St
W E Harbord	4	4	1	144	72*	48.00	-	2	3
F N Grimshaw	10	14	2	386	126	32.16	1	2	1
H Fisher	9	12	3	212	71	23.55	-	1	5
F Dennis	9	14	2	263	57	21.91	-	1	5
E P King	7	12	0	239	74	19.91	-	1	3
C Turner	10	15	4	218	45	19.81	-	-	5
W Halstead	10	16	1	238	72	15.86	-	1	4
A B Sellers	4	7	0	102	64	14.57	-	1	2
F T Prentice	4	7	0	74	54	10.57	-	1	2
J S Buller	10	12	7	46	14	9.20	-	-	12/6
A C Rhodes	8	8	0	71	19	8.87	-	-	3
R C J Chichester-Constable	10	9	2	49	34	7.00	-	-	8
A Booth	3	4	2	11	6	5.50	-	-	-
C H Hall	8	8	2	20	7*	3.33	-	-	2

FINAL AVERAGES - BATTING AND FIELDING

ALSO BATTED

Player	Μ	Ι	NO	TR	HS	Ave	100s	50s	Ct/St
J R S Raper	1	1	0	20	20	20.00	-	-	-
J L Heaton	2	1	0	0	0	-	-	-	-
A Goulder	1	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	1

FINAL AVERAGES - BOWLING

Player	0	Μ	R	W	BB	Ave	5wI	10wM
A Booth	58.1	17	133	15	8/41	8.86	1	-
H Fisher	217.3	75	417	40	7/26	10.42	3	1
A C Rhodes	228.4	79	436	38	7/31	11.47	2	1
F Dennis	170.5	43	382	27	7/63	14.14	2	1
C H Hall	104	21	225	13	3/16	17.30	_	-
J L Heaton	26	3	88	3	2/69	29.33	-	-

ALSO BOWLED

Player	0	М	R	W	BB	Ave	5Wi	10Wm
A Goulder	33	13	57	2	1/7	28.50	-	-
C Turner	34	7	108	1	1/25	108.00		
R C J Chichester-Constable	1	0	6	0	-	-	-	-

LINE SCORES OF MATCHES PLAYED

v Lancashire (Redcar CC) 25 & 26 May 1931 - *Yorks 162 (H Fisher 71; G Hodgson 4/40, J Wilson 3/30) & 77/8 (A Latchford 4/20) drew with Lancs 165 (H Fisher 5/50, A Booth 4/58)

v Nottinghamshire (Clifton Lane SG, Rotherham) 27 & 28 May 1931 – (Toss unknown) Yorks 171 (F Dennis 57; G V Gunn 7/61) & 132/6d (R D F Bland 3/34, C B Harris 3/44) drew with Notts 82 (H Fisher 4/9, C H Hall 3/16, A Booth 3/34)

v Cheshire (Thrum Hall, Halifax) 15 & 16 June 1931 – (Toss unknown) Cheshire 79 (H Fisher 5/26) drew with Yorks 1/1

v Nottinghamshire (Titchfield Park, Hucknall) 24 & 25 June 1931 – (Toss unknown) Notts 254 (F W Shipston 115, H R Cox 55*; C H Hall 3/47, H Fisher 3/50) & 49/8 (F Dennis 3/20) drew with Yorks 326/6d (W Halstead 72, F N Grimshaw 66, W E Harbord 64; C B Harris 3/58)

v Cheshire (Alexandra Athletic Gd, Crewe) 1 & 2 July 1931 – (Toss unknown) Yorks 265/7d (F N Grimshaw 126, F T Prentice 54; H Wilson 5/53) & 95/4d (H Wilson 3/37) beat Cheshire 200 (J D Worthington 50; F Dennis 7/63) & 87 (F Dennis 5/32 [and match figs of 12/95]) by 73 runs

v Durham (Blackfyne, Blackhill, Consett) 6 & 7 July 1931 - *Durham 78 (H Fisher 7/26, A C Rhodes 3/37) & 66 (A C Rhodes 7/31 [and match figs of 10/68]. H Fisher 3/21 [and match figs of 10/47]) lost to Yorks 130 (J Carr 6/34) & 15/2 by eight wkts

v Northumberland (Jesmond) 8 & 9 July 1931 – (Toss unknown) Yorks 69 (J L Allan 6/18, J Graham 4/22) & 118/6 (F N Grimshaw 55*; J L Allan 3/36) drew with Northumberland 118 (A Booth 8/41)

v Durham (Driffield Town CC) 27 & 28 July 1931 - *Yorks 156 (W S Hammond 3/11) & 115 (A B Sellers 64; S Ellis 3/21, A L Howell 3/23) lost to Durham 163 (W H R Alderson 53; A C Rhodes 5/30, H Fisher 3/56) & 109/4 (A C Rhodes 4/46) by six wkts

v Lancashire (Old Trafford) 3 & 4 Aug 1931 - *Lancs 178 (F D Beattie 71; A C Rhodes 3/47, F Dennis 3/50) & 182 (W Farrimond 67; A C Rhodes 3/40) lost to Yorks 222 (E P King 74; G Hodgson 6/54, W E Phillipson 3/71) & 141/2 (W E Harbord 72*) by eight wkts

v Northumberland (Duke's Park, Bridlington) 19 & 20 Aug 1931 – (Toss unknown) Northumberland 171 (W G Mackay 62; F Dennis 4/46, A C Rhodes 4/53) drew with Yorks 83/6

CAREER FIGURES AND BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS (WHERE KNOWN) OF PLAYERS WHO MADE THEIR DEBUTS IN 1931

240) J L HEATON – No biographical information is available for this player.

Yorks career - 1931-1934

His highest score came in the Minor Counties match against Denbighshire at Brighouse CC, W Yorks, on 26& 27 Juen1933 His best bowling figures came in the match above.

2nd XI Minor	Inns	Not	Total	Highest	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
Counties		Outs	Runs	Score				
Matches								
12	5	1	40	24	10.00	-	-	3
2nd XI	Inns	Not	Total	Highest	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2nd XI Friendly	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
	Inns			0	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

BOWLING

2nd XI Minor Counties	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
Matches	244.3	40	714	46	15.52	7/71	4	2
2nd XI Friendly	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
Matches	20	4	67	1	67.00	1/33	-	-

Once retired, he stood as Umpire in a few games.

241) **Edmund Poole KING** – Born 21 Jan 1907, Avondale, Clifton, Bristol Died 11 Sept 1990, Wonham, Bampton, Devon, aged 83.

He was a RH batsman

First-class debut – (for Gloucestershire) v Glam, Greenbank. Bristol, on 2-5 July 1927 (County Championship) Yorks career – 1931

His highest first-class s core (6) came against Kent at the Crabble Athletic Gd, Dover on 6-8 July 1927 (County Championship) His career-best score (74) arrived in the Minor Counties Championship against Lancs at Old Trafford, on 3 & 4 Aug 1931 in his last match for the County

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not	Total	Highest	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
(For Gloucestershire)		Outs	Runs	Score				
3	4	0	14	6	3.50	-	-	1
2nd XI Minor Counties	Inns	Not	Total	Highest	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
Matches		Outs	Runs	Score				
7	12	0	239	74	19.91	-	1	3
2nd XI Friendly	Inns	Not	Total	Highest	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
Matches		Outs	Runs	Score	Ū			
1	2	0	29	28	14.50	-	-	-

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

BOWLING

2nd XI Friendly	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
Matches	5	1	14	0	-	-	-	-

He was educated at Wellington College, Bucks.

242) **Francis Thomas PRENTICE** – Born 22 April 1912, Knaresborough, N Yorks Died 10 July 1978, Headingley Leeds, aged 66

He was a RH batsman and OB bowler

First-class debut – (For Leicestershire) v Oxford Un, The Parks, 9-12 June 1934 (University Match) Yorks career – 1931

His highest first class score (191) came in the County Championship match against Notts at Park rd, Loughborough on 11-14 June 1949 His best first-class bowling performance came in the County Championship match against Glos at Grace Rd, Leics on 31 July to 2 Aug 1946

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not	Total	Highest	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
(For Leicestershire)		Outs	Runs	Score				
241	421	24	10997	191	27.70	17	48	75
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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not	Total	Highest	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

BOWLING

1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	1998.1	318	5847	117	49.97	5/46	2	-

He moved to play for Leics and was capped by them in 1936. He received a benefit from them in 1950, which raised £549.00 (£18, 936.23 in 2020)

243) **James Rhodes Stanley RAPER** – Born 9 Aug 1909, Bradford Died 9 March 1997, Ribble Valley, W Yorks, aged 87

He was a RH batsman and bowled RA medium-pace

First-class debut – v Derbys, Queen's Park, Chesterfield on 13-16 June 1936 (County Championship) Yorks career – 1931-1948

His highest first-class score (15) came in his debut match above

His career-best score (117*) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Durham at Redcar CC on 9 & 10 Aug 1939 His only bowling success came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Lancs at Saltaire CC on 5 & 6 Aug 1946

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
3	4	0	24	15	6.00	-	-	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
60	71	11	1258	117*	20.96	1	4	20
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	1	0	1	1	1.00	-	-	-

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

BOWLING

2nd XI Minor Counties	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
Matches	42	11	135	1	135.00	1/23	-	-

He toured Jamaica with Yorks in 1936 but spent the vast majority of his time with the County as second eleven captain. He led the side to the Minor Counties Championship in 1947, their first such honour.

244) Arthur Cecil RHODES – Born 14 Oct 1906, Headingley, Leeds Died 21 May 1957, Headingley, Leeds, aged 50

He was a RH batsman and bowled RA medium-pace

First-class debut – v Oxford Un, The Parks, 4-6 May 1932 (University Match) Yorks career – 1931-1934 His highest first-class score (64*) was made in the County Championship game against Leics at Aylestone Rd on 9-11 Aug 1933 His best first-class bowling return (6/19) came against Cambridge Un at Fenner's on 11-13 May 1932 (University Match His career-best bowling figures (7/31) came in the Minor Counties Championship match against Durham at Blackfyne, Blackhill, Consett on 6 & 7 July 1931

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
61	70	19	917	64*	17.98	-	2	45
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
11	12	1	222	58*	20.18	-	3	13
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	2	1	21	20*	21.00	-	-	-

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

BOWLING

1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	1285.1	365	3026	107	28.28	6/19	5	-
2nd XI Minor Counties	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
Matches	341.3	117	672	49	13.71	7/31	2	1
2nd XI Friendly	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
Matches	37.4	15	75	13	5.76	7/57	2	1

He received his Yorks cap in 1932. He was seen as the natural successor to Emmott Robinson. He was once hit for a maximum by Walter Hammond of Glos at Bradford PA. The ball passed over the stand into the Bradford Park Avenue FC football ground adjacent (no longer there – now a mosque)
