

**YORKSHIRE SECOND ELEVEN IN THE MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**SEASON 1955 - FINAL TABLE**

Team		P	W	L	DWF	DLF	NC/Ab	Pts	PtPC
Pts awarded		-	10	-	3	1	2	-	-
1	Surrey 2nd XI	14	10	0	1	1	2	108	7.71
2	Northumberland	12	6	0	4	1	1	75	6.25
3	Durham	10	5	2	1	1	1	56	5.60
4	Somerset 2nd XI	8	3	0	4	0	1	44	5.50
5	Bedfordshire	8	3	2	2	0	1	38	4.75
6	Hertfordshire	10	4	3	2	1	0	47	4.70
7	Kent 2nd XI	10	4	1	0	4	1	46	4.60
8	Middlesex 2nd XI	10	3	1	4	1	1	45	4.50
9	Northamptonshire 2nd XI	12	4	3*	1	4	0	50	4.16
10	Lancashire 2nd XI	20	6	3*	4	6	1	83	4.15
11	Norfolk	10	3	4‡	1	2	0	41	4.10
12	Buckinghamshire	10	3	4	2	1	0	37	3.70
13	Staffordshire	10	3	3	1	3	0	36	3.60
14	Warwickshire 2nd XI	14	3	5‡	4	2	0	50	3.57
<b>15</b>	<b>Yorkshire 2nd XI</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>3.55</b>
16	Cambridgeshire	8	2	2	2	2	0	28	3.50
17	Dorset	12	2	1	5	4	0	39	3.55
18	Essex 2nd XI	10	2	6*	2	0	0	29	2.90
19	Oxfordshire	10	1	1	4	4	0	26	2.60
20	Nottinghamshire 2nd XI	14	1	1	6	4	2	36	2.57
21	Cornwall	10	1	1	3	5	0	24	2.40
22	Suffolk	8	1	3*	1	3	0	19	2.37
23	Devon	10	1	3*	2	4	0	23	2.30
24	Berkshire	10	1	2	2	5	0	21	2.10
25	Derbyshire 2nd XI	8	0	1	3	3	1	14	1.75
26	Leicestershire 2nd XI	8	0	2	3	2	1	13	1.62
27	Lincolnshire	8	0	1	1	5	1	10	1.25
28	Wiltshire	8	0	6*	1	0	1	8	1.00
29	Cheshire	8	0	4	1	3	0	6	0.75
30	Cumberland	8	0	6	0	2	0	2	0.25

\* First inns pts (3) in one match lost    ‡ First inns pts (3) in two matches lost

Position of teams in the final table is determined by the better percentage of possible points

**FINAL AVERAGES – BATTING AND FIELDING**

<b>Player</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>Ave</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
D E V Padgett	10	13	2	747	183	67.90	3	4	10
K Taylor	9	14	2	619	177*	51.58	1	3	10
E I Lester	10	15	0	700	129	46.67	2	3	10
A M King	7	12	3	381	89	42.33	-	3	1
R Booth	11	16	3	450	77	34.61	-	5	16/5
J van Geloven	11	15	1	480	100*	34.28	1	2	13
J R Burnet	18	22	1	623	101	29.67	1	4	6
B Milner	2	3	1	46	27*	23.00	-	-	-
E Leadbeater	2	8	3	110	49	22.00	-	-	5
A W Kettleborough	5	9	0	178	60	19.77	-	1	4
P J Sharpe	2	4	0	79	33	19.75	-	-	-
F W Goddard	4	5	0	82	62	16.40	-	1	2
B Cromack	4	7	2	76	24	15.20	-	-	1
H D Bird	8	10	1	129	41*	14.33	-	-	6
K M Goddard	2	3	0	40	21	13.33	-	-	-
G W Moore	4	7	1	80	45	13.33	-	-	1
S G Metcalfe	2	4	0	50	16	12.50	-	-	-
A B Bainbridge	7	13	5	96	26*	12.00	-	-	2
R K Platt	5	5	4	12	8*	12.00	-	-	4
J G Binks	7	7	2	49	24*	9.80	-	-	16/11
G A Helliwell	3	4	1	27	18	9.00	-	-	1
W F Oates	4	5	0	45	24	9.00	-	-	2
B C Moor	4	5	1	34	12*	8.50	-	-	-
J C Brown	3	3	0	24	15	8.00	-	-	-
B Handley	2	3	0	24	13	8.00	-	-	1
R Wood	5	5	2	22	9	7.33	-	-	3
M Ryan	6	8	2	42	8	7.00	-	-	2
G Booth	9	9	0	45	13	5.00	-	-	3
B Jackson	7	8	2	27	7*	4.50	-	-	4
P Hodgson	5	5	1	10	6	2.50	-	-	1
T G Webster	2	3	1	4	3	2.00	-	-	5
P N Broughton	2	3	0	1	1	0.33	-	-	-

**ALSO BATTED**

<b>Player</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>Ave</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
D B Close	1	1	0	80	80	80.00	-	1	0
W B Stott	1	1	0	27	27	27.00	-	-	-
R Illingworth	2	1	0	23	23	23.00	-	-	5
F S Trueman	1	1	0	8	8	8.00	-	-	-
G A Hare	2	2	0	9	8	4.50	-	-	-
J A Pitt	1	1	0	4	4	4.00	-	-	-
R Appleyard	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C Helliwell	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**FINAL AVERAGES – BOWLING**

<b>Player</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>Ave</b>	<b>5wI</b>	<b>10wM</b>
G A Hare	17	6	32	5	2/8	6.40	-	-
C Helliwell	32	16	36	3	3/29	12.00	-	-
R Appleyard	30	11	66	5	5/66	13.20	1	-
E Leadbeater	201	45	564	41	7/51	13.75	3	1
J van Geloven	223	53	591	36	7/69	16.41	1	1
R K Platt	126	33	313	19	4/35	16.47	-	-
H D Bird	11	0	51	3	2/17	17.00	-	-
R Illingworth	49	11	156	9	4/16	17.33	-	-
J R Burnet	20.5	0	105	6	5/54	17.50	1	-
P Hodgson	128.3	32	322	18	7/54	17.88	1	-
T G Webster	71.5	19	191	10	5/93	19.10	1	-
G Booth	169.1	35	508	26	5/29	19.53	1	-
M Ryan	139.2	24	425	19	4/66	22.36	-	-
J C Brown	48	12	113	5	4/31	22.60	-	-
B Jackson	127	36	322	12	3/25	26.83	-	-
A B Bainbridge	122.1	38	264	9	4/17	29.33	-	-
R Wood	85.3	24	221	7	3/13	31.57	-	-
B Milner	58	18	182	5	3/43	36.40	-	-
G A Helliwell	38.4	9	126	3	2/13	42.00	-	-
B Cromack	67	11	245	5	3/62	49.00	-	-
K Taylor	56	15	161	3	1/5	53.67	-	-

### ALSO BOWLED

Player	O	M	R	W	BB	Ave	5wI	10wM
A M King	7	4	16	1	1/16	16.00	-	-
D E V Padgett	7.4	1	19	1	1/4	19.00	-	-
J A Pitt	6	1	20	1	1/20	20.00	-	-
D B Close	28.4	13	69	2	2/69	34.50	-	-
E I Lester	16	7	36	1	1/17	36.00	-	-
B C Moor	15	1	50	1	1/17	50.00	-	-
F S Trueman	28	5	101	2	2/101	50.50	-	-
K M Goddard	19	3	59	1	1/31	59.00	-	-
P N Broughton	43	5	170	2	2/87	85.00	-	-
G W Moore	5	2	23	0	-	-	-	-
F W Goddard	2	1	4	0	-	-	-	-
W F Oates	1	0	4	0	-	-	-	-

### LINE SCORES OF MATCHES PLAYED

**v Nottinghamshire (Barnsley CC) 16 & 17 May 1955** – (Toss unknown) Notts 183 (E Leadbeater 6/60, B Jackson 3/28) drew with Yorks 59/6 (A B Clevely 4/24)

**v Cumberland (Edenside, Carlisle) 25 & 26 May 1955** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 187 (D E V Padgett 57; W Lawton 5/57, J F Dennis 5/101) beat Cumberland 76 (E Leadbeater 4/21, G Booth 3/27) & 76 (J van Geloven 4/10, E Leadbeater 4/29) by an inns & 35 runs

**v Lancashire (Harrogate CC) 30 & 31 May 1955** - \*Lancs 318/8d (J Dyson 127\*; J van Geloven 3/68) & 102 (R Wood 3/13) drew with Yorks 252 (D E V Padgett 63; F Moore 4/69, F Goodwin 4/80) & 5/1

**v Northamptonshire (Saltaire) 1 & 2 June 1955** – (Toss unknown) Northants 158 (G Booth 5/29) & 227 (E Leadbeater 5/80) lost to Yorks 313 (J R Burnet 74, A M King 69, D E V Padgett 51; S Starkie 6/64) & 73/7 (S Starkie 3/42) by three wkts

**v Staffordshire (Bradford PA) 8 & 9 June 1955** - \*Staffs 110 (R Illingworth 4/16, J van Geloven 4/27) & 123 lost to Yorks 217/0d (D E V Padgett 108\*, J van Geloven 100\*) & 17/1 by nine wkts

**v Cheshire (Victoria Rd, Macclesfield) 15 & 16 June 1955** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 245/5d (J van Geloven 82, E I Lester 76; S G Shepherd 4/87) drew with Cheshire 91 (E Leadbeater 7/51) & 166/8 (F W Millett 69, A Vickery 57; C Helliwell 3/29, E Leadbeater 3/64 [and match figs of 10/115])

**v Northumberland (Jesmond) 22 & 23 June 1955** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 100 (K J Earl 3/25, J M Watson 3/26, L McGibbon 3/30) & 209 (D E V Padgett 133\*; L McGibbon 4/52, J Y Oakes 3/54) lost to Northumberland 254/9d (R W Smithson 86, R Jowsey 72; M Ryan 4/66, R K Platt 4/75) & 59/5 (M Ryan 3/24) by five wkts

**v Cumberland (Redcar CC) 27 & 28 June 1955** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 213 (J R Burnet 62; J F Dennis 3/48, W Lawton 3/68) & 182/3d (K Taylor 76, A M King 50\*) drew with Cumberland 160 (R S Ellwood 51; R K Platt 4/35) & 42/2

**v Lincolnshire (The Circle, Hull) 29 & 30 June 1955** – (Toss unknown) Lincs 291 (D W Taylor 125, R H Tunstall 73; R K Platt 4/64) & 40/1 drew with Yorks 357 (D E V Padgett 183, R Booth 73; P M H Clark 4/99)

**v Nottinghamshire (Steetley Co Gd, Shireoaks) 6 & 7 July 1955** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 198 (J Kelly 4/35) & 180/1d (J van Geloven 78, K Taylor 77\*) beat Notts 114 (J C Brown 4/31, G Booth 3/26) & 257 (F W Stocks 124; G Booth 3/42) by seven runs

**v Northumberland (Acklam Park, Middlesbrough) 13 & 14 July 1955** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 399/8d (D B Close 80, D E V Padgett 66, J R Burnet 58, R Booth 57\*, E I Lester 55) drew with Northumberland 364 (P H Shaw 156, R Jowsey 64; R Appleyard 5/66)

**v Cheshire (Duke's Park, Bridlington) 18 & 19 July 1955** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 385/5d (K Taylor 177\*, E I Lester 129; D J Smith 3/112) & 0/0 drew with Cheshire 314 (F W Millett 158\*, I B E Jones 57; P Hodgson 7/54)

**v Lancashire (Old Trafford) 1 & 2 Aug 1955** - \*Yorks 260 (E I Lester 123, R Booth 77; K B Standring 4.56, F Moore 3/47) & 133/5d (A M King 89) drew with Lancs 203 (P Hodgson 4/61, G Booth 3/34) & 54/2

**v Durham (Scarborough) 3 & 4 Aug 1955** – Durham 176 (M Ryan 3/33, B Cromack 3/62) & 214/1d (H D Bell 1018, J G Keeler 76) beat \*Yorks 143 (K Williamson 4/21) & 216 (J R Burnet 101; J G Williamson 4/72) by 31 runs

**v Lincolnshire (Brumby Hall, Scunthorpe) 8 & 9 Aug 1955** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 337 (R Booth 60, A W Kettleborough 60; G A Marlow 5/111, N A Maddison 3/66) drew with Lincs 215 (T G Webster 5/93, P Hodgson 3/50) & 191/8 (J H Taylor 56; J R Burnet 5/54)

**v Staffordshire (Trentham Rd, Stoke-on-Trent) 10 & 11 Aug 1955** – (Toss unknown) Staffs 144 (T G Webster 3/14, B Jackson 3/25, B Milner 3./43) & 266/5d (D Russell 107, H Boon 81) beat Yorks 76 (S B Boon 7/30) & 226 (F W Goddard 62, K Taylor 55, J R Burnet 50; B Shardlow 4/59, J C Norcup 3/84) by 108 runs

**v Northamptonshire (Northampton) 15 & 16 Aug 1955** – (Toss unknown) Northants 293/9d (E Davis 112, M E J C Norman 56, M H J Allen 50; J van Geloven 3/53) & 224/1d (B L Reynolds 102\*, D G Greasley 101\*) beat Yorks 217/7d (R P Hogan 3/69) & 174 (J R Dale 3/33) by 126 runs

**v Durham (Kingsway, Bishop Auckland) 17 & 18 Aug 1955** - \*Yorks 181 (R Booth 74; K Williamson 4/52, M E Scott 3/23) & 164 (E I Lester 66; M E Scott 4/32, R Aspinall 3/38) lost to Durham 263 (K Williamson 111. J G Keeler 55; J van Geloven 7/69) & 86/8 (A B Bainbridge 4/17, J van Geloven 4/39 [and match figs of 11/108) by two wkts

### CAREER FIGURES AND BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS (WHERE KNOWN) OF PLAYERS WHO MADE THEIR DEBUTS IN 1955

417) **G BOOTH** – No biographical details are available for this player. He played for the county between 1955 and 1958, all in the Minor Counties Championship. He was an opening bowler.

His highest score (20) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Northumberland at Jesmond CC on 25 & 26 June 1956

His best bowling figures (5/29) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Northants at Saltaire CC on 1 & 2 June 1955

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
18	21	1	125	20	6.25	-	-	8

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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	346.1	67	1058	42	25.19	5/29	2	-

418) **Bernard CROMACK** – Born – 5 June 1937, Rothwell, Leeds

First Class debut – v Ireland, Grace Road, 12-14 Aug, 1959 (for Leicestershire)

Yorkshire career – 1955

Highest score – 24 v Durham, Kingsway, Bishop Auckland, 1955 (Minor Counties Championship matches)

Highest score in First Class Matches – 55 v Hampshire, Dean Park, Bournemouth, 1960 (for Leicestershire)

Best bowling – 5/49 v Northern Command, Army Ground, Catterick Garrison, 1955 (2nd XI Friendly matches)

Best Bowling in First Class matches – 6/48 v Middlesex, Lord's, 1960 (for Leicestershire)

### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches (for Leicestershire)	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
34	55	2	626	55	11.81	-	2	14
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
4	7	2	76	24	15.20	-	-	1
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	2	1	9	9*	9.00	-	-	1

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1st Class Matches (for Leicestershire)	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5Wi	10Wm
	378.4	115	1006	38	26.47	6/48	1	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5Wi	10Wm
	67	11	245	5	49.00	3/62	-	-
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5Wi	10Wm
	17.4	2	79	5	9.80	5/49	1	-

A young Bernard Cromack, aged 12 or 13, began his cricket life at the Johnnie Lawrence Cricket School, where, amongst others, he got to bowl at a young Geoffrey Boycott. Jack Birkenshaw was also around at that time and who now holds the Presidency of his adopted Leicestershire CCC.

His first Club was Carlton CC in the now-defunct Leeds League. On the advice of Johnnie Lawrence, Cromack soon moved to Farsley CC in the Bradford CL, where Ray Illingworth was to be found (and still is, for that matter). But when senior players returned from National Service, opportunities were limited for young bowlers such as Cromack. So only one choice remained.

As with many other players, Bernard Cromack had just one season with Yorkshire before he moved down to Somerset where things did not work out.

Next stop was Grace Road and there he found a much more convivial atmosphere and he played for the Club at various levels until 1970. One of his team mates at Grace Road was Jackie van Geloven, another former Yorkshire player.

When he first arrived in Leicestershire, Bernie played for the Leicester Nomads Club, considered to be a 3rd XI for the County Club. Bernie played for the Leicester Nomads between 1962 and 1981, playing over 500 games and scoring 7,780 runs and taking 1,031 wickets at 11. He played in the team that lost the John Haig Trophy semi final to Scarborough in 1979, where the Scarborough team was captained by Brian Close.

The Club became defunct in 1992.

419) **F W GODDARD** – No biographical details exist for this player. He played nine games, between 1955 and 1958, all in the Minor Counties Championship

His highest score (84) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Lincs at Harrogate CC on 20 & 21 June 1956

His best bowling performance (1/5) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Northumberland at Jesmond on 25 & 26 June 1956

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
7	10	0	227	84	22.70	-	2	2
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	2	1	4	3	4.00	-	-	-

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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	6	2	11	1	11.00	1/5	-	-

420) **Brian HANDLEY** – Born 21 June 1936, Wakefield  
Died 6 March 1982, aged 45

Yorks career – This lasted from 1955 to 1959

His highest score (63) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Cheshire at Townfield Lane, Oxtun on 19 & 20 June 1957

His best bowling performance (5/10) came in the friendly against the Northern Command at Catterick Garrison on 29 & 30 Aug 1956

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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
19	32	2	401	63	13.36	-	1	7
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	2	0	10	8	5.00	-	-	3

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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	331.1	103	858	44	19.50	5/27	2	-
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	20.5	4	36	7	5.14	5/10	1	-

He also played Minor Counties Championship cricket for Devon, playing four games for them between 1963 and 1965. His other sport of football saw him represent Goole Town, Aston Villa, Torquay Utd, Bridgwater Town and Rochdale.

He later played one game in the second eleven championship for Warwicks against Worcs at Edgbaston on 17 & 18 Aug 1960. He made 12 in his only innings. His bowling figures over two innings were 25-11-56-3, with a best of 3/42. He took one catch.

421) **Gerald A HARE** – Born 14 May 1936, England. He played just four games for the second eleven in 1955 and 1956.

His highest score (13) came in the friendly game against Midlothian at Raeburn Place, Edinburgh on 20 & 21 June 1955

His best bowling performance (2/8) came in the Minor Counties Championship against Staffs at Bradford PA on 8 & 9 June 1955 (his debut match)

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
3	3	1	9	8	4.50	-	-	-
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	1	0	13	13	13.00	-	-	-

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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	32	10	57	6	9.50	2/8	-	-
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	10	1	31	0	-	-	-	-

422) **C HELLIWELL** – No biographical details are available for this player. He played just one game in the Minor Counties Championship against Cheshire at Victoria Rd, Macclesfield on 15 & 16 June 1955. He did not bat but his combined bowling figures over the two innings were a respectable 32-16-36-3 with a best of 3/29. He did not take any catches.

He later played one match for Glos second eleven against Glam at the Island Gd, Barry Island but, as the game lasted only 21 overs before rain set in permanently, he was unable to make any contribution at all.

423) **Allan W KETTLEBOROUGH** – He was born on 4 June 1937. He played eight games in the Minor Counties Championship, all in 1955 and 1957. He was a LH opening batsman.

His highest score (60) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Lincs at Brumby Hall, Scunthorpe, on 8 & 9 Aug 1955.

**CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING**

<b>2nd XI Minor Counties Matches</b>	<b>Inns</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Total Runs</b>	<b>Highest Score</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
8	15	0	253	60	16.86	-	1	4
<b>2nd XI Friendly Matches</b>	<b>Inns</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Total Runs</b>	<b>Highest Score</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
1	2	0	25	22	12.50	-	-	-

He worked actively as a coach in and around the South Yorkshire area for many years after he had finished playing. He was a great supporter of the 40 Club. His son is Richard Kettleborough (Yorks & Middx) and now one of the ICC's Elite Panel of Umpires. Richard will still turn out for his club, Sheffield Collegiate, when his international commitments permit.

The club can also boast of being the first club of two future England captains – Michael Vaughan and Joe Root.

424) **Anthony Mountain KING** – Born 8 Oct 1932, Laughton-en-le-Northern, Sheffield

He was a RH batsman.

First-class debut – v Derbys, Bradford PA, 6-8 Aug 1955.

Yorks career – 1955

His highest first class score (12) came in his debut match (above)

His career-best score (89) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Lancs at Old Trafford on 1 & 2 Aug 1955.

**CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING**

<b>1st Class Matches</b>	<b>Inns</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Total Runs</b>	<b>Highest Score</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
1	1	0	12	12	12.00	-	-	-
<b>2nd XI Minor Counties Matches</b>	<b>Inns</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Total Runs</b>	<b>Highest Score</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
7	12	3	381	89	42.33	-	3	1

He played his club cricket with Salts and Bradford (Bradford CL). He also captained Bradford RUFC in 1959/60.

425) **B MILNER** – There are no biographical details available about this player. He played two games in the Minor Counties Championship, both in 1955

His highest score (27\*) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Lincs at Brumby Hall, Scunthorpe on 8 & 9 Aug 1955 (his debut match)

His best bowling figures (3/43) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Staffs at Trentham Rd, Stoke-on-Trent, on 10 & 11 Aug 1955

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	3	1	46	27*	23.00	-	-	-

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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	58	18	182	5	36.40	3/43	-	-

426) **G W MOORE** – There are no biographical details available about this player. His Yorks career lasted from 1955 to 1959.

His highest score (117\*) was made in the Minor Counties Championship game against Notts at the Town Gd, Worksop, on 11 & 12 July 1956

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

2nd XI Championship	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	2	0	57	32	28.50	-	-	1
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
40	56	7	1286	117*	26.24	2	6	10

2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	3	1	132	106*	66.00	1	-	1

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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	5	2	23	0	-	-	-	-

It is interesting to note that all three of his centuries for Yorks (the two above and 101\* v Durham at Duke's Park, Bridlington on 21 & 22 July 1958) were undefeated.

427) **John Anthony PITT** – Born 30 Jan 1939, Dewsbury, W Yorks

He was a RH batsman and RA medium-paced bowler.

First-class debut – v Warwicks at the Mitchell & Butler's Gd, Birmingham, on 14-16 Aug 1957, playing for the Combined Services.

Yorks career – 1953-1957

### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	2	1	36	26*	36.00	-	-	1
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	2	1	22	18*	22.00	-	-	1
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	1	0	2	2	2.00	-	-	-

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1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	3	1	4	0	-	-	-	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	28	12	51	5	10.20	3/22	-	-
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	8	1	33	1	33.00	1/11	-	-

His highest score (26\*) came in his only appearance in first-class cricket above

His highest score in Minor Counties Championship cricket (18\*) came in the match against at Wiggington Rd, York on 1 & 2 July 1957

His best bowling performance (3/22) came in the Minor Counties Championship was achieved in the same match.

428) **Robert Kenworthy (“Bob”) PLATT** – Born 26 Dec 1932, Holmfirth, Huddersfield

He was a RH batsman and RA Medium paced bowler

First-class debut – v Sussex, Bramall Lane, Sheffield , 9-12 July 1955 (County Championship)

Yorks career – 1953-1971

His highest first-class score (57\*) came in the County Championship game against Derbys at Queen`s Park, Chesterfield, 4-7 July 1959

His best first-class bowling figures (7/40) came in the County Championship game against Glos at the Ashley Down Gd, Bristol, 20-22 June 1956

His career-best bowling figures (7/28) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Notts at Fartown, Huddersfield, 25-26 Aug 1958

## CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
101	107	49	424	57*	7.31	-	1	38
2nd XI Championship	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
5	6	1	22	13	4.40	-	-	4

<b>2nd XI Minor Counties Matches</b>	<b>Inns</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Total Runs</b>	<b>Highest Score</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
76	54	30	187	15	7.79	-	-	35
<b>2nd XI Friendly Matches</b>	<b>Inns</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Total Runs</b>	<b>Highest Score</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
3	5	3	34	14*	17.00	-	-	-

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<b>1st Class Matches</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Wickets</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Best Figures</b>	<b>5wI</b>	<b>10wM</b>
	2956.5	913	6799	301	22.58	7/40	10	3
<b>2nd XI Championship</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Wickets</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Best Figures</b>	<b>5wI</b>	<b>10wM</b>
	127	38	339	6	56.50	2/83	-	-
<b>2nd XI Minor Counties Matches</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Wickets</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Best Figures</b>	<b>5wI</b>	<b>10wM</b>
	927	332	2014	135	14.91	7/28	6	-
<b>2nd XI Friendly Matches</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Wickets</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Best Figures</b>	<b>5wI</b>	<b>10wM</b>
	46	12	109	1	109.00	1/26	-	-

He had only two full seasons with Yorks. These were 1959, when he was awarded his cap and 1961. He was seen as one of Fred Trueman's better opening partners.

He had played club cricket with Holmfirth (Huddersfield CL) and Leeds (Yorkshire CL). Later, he played for Halifax (Yorkshire CL) and Bradford (Bradford CL). He played two games for Northants in 1964 but returned to Yorks and took over the captaincy of the second eleven.

He served as Chairman of the cricket committee for several years and was also Chairman of the Yorkshire Cricket Board when those organisations came into being in 1997. His dry humour often brightened up some very dour meetings.

429) **Philip John ("Phil") SHARPE** – Born 27 Dec 1936, Shipley, W Yorks  
Died 19 May 2014, Harrogate, aged 77.

He was a RH batsman and OB bowler. He was also a most magnificent slip fielder.

Test debut – v West Indies, Edgbaston, 4-9 July 1963 (3rd Test)

First-class debut – v Warwicks, Edgbaston, 13-15 June 1956 (For the Combined Services)

Yorks career – 1955-1974

His highest test score (111) came against New Zealand at Trent Bridge, Nottingham on 7-12 Aug 1969 (2nd Test)

His highest first class score (22) came in the University game against Oxford Un , playing for Derbys, at the Parks on 2-4 June 1976, his final first-class season.

His best first-class bowling figures (1/1) came against Notts at Headingley on 18-21 May 1968 (County Championship)

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Test Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
12	21	4	786	111	46.23	1	4	17
1st Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
493	811	78	22530	228	30.73	29	111	618
List A Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
134	129	7	2619	114*	21.46	2	13	77
2nd XI Championship	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
7	11	3	634	127	79.25	2	4	5
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
31	48	5	1540	116*	35.81	3	4	24

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1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	50.2	7	197	3	65.67	1/1	-	-

List A Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	4wI	5wM
	0.4	0	11	0	-	-	-	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	2	0	16	0	-	-	-	-

He was a pupil at Worksop College where he played cricket and a variety of other sports. He played club cricket for Pudsey St Lawrence and Bradford (both Bradford CL). He was capped in 1960 and had a benefit in 1971, which raised £6669 or £94,886.81 in 2020.

He was a Wisden Cricketer of the Year in 1963 along with Don Kenyon (Worcs), Mushtaq Mohammed (Northants & Pakistan), Peter Parfitt and Fred Titmus (both Middx & England)

His last two seasons in first-class cricket were spent with Derbyshire and then he had six seasons with Norfolk in the Minor Counties Championship and they capped him in 1977.

He is particularly remembered for his wonderful performances at first slip. In one particular match, a Test Match at Headingley, the Selectors preferred Keith Fletcher of Essex to Sharpe, much to the disapproval of the home crowd. When Fletcher dropped a catch in the slips, the Yorkshire faithful really let rip.

In later life, Sharpe ran a travel company specialising in cricket tours and served on the Yorks Committee for a time.

430) **T G WEBSTER** – No biographical details are available for this player. He played just two games in the Minor Counties Championship against Lincs & Staffs, both in 1955. His highest score of 3 and his best bowling return of 5/93 both occurred against Lincs at Brumby Hall, Scunthorpe on 8 & 9 Aug 1955.

The match against Staffs was played at Trentham Rd, Stoke-on-Trent on 10 & 11 Aug, when Webster took five more wickets over the two innings. These two appearances illustrate what seemed to be Yorks' policy at the time of giving aspiring players two consecutive games.

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