

**YORKSHIRE SECOND ELEVEN IN THE MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP**

**SEASON 1937 – FINAL TABLE**

		<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>DWF</b>	<b>DLF</b>	<b>NC/AB</b>	<b>Pts</b>	<b>PtsPC</b>	<b>Net Run Rate</b>
	Pts awarded	-	6	3	-	3	1	-	-	-	-
1	Surrey 2nd XI	12	10	0	0	0	2	0	62	86.111	18.425
2	Hertfordshire	12	8	0	1	1	2	0	53	73.611	8.128
3	Lancashire 2nd XI	10	5	0	1	4	0	0	42	70.000	13.720
4	Dorset	8	4	0	0	1	2	1	29	69.048	5.105
5	Bedfordshire	8	4	0	2	2	0	0	30	62.500	7.327
6	Northumberland	8	5	0	3	0	0	0	30	62.500	-0.653
7	Buckinghamshire	8	3	0	1	2	2	0	28	54.167	1.842
8	Middlesex 2nd XI	8	3	0	2	1	1	1	22	52.381	3.440
9	Glamorgan 2nd XI	8	2	1	2	1	0	2	18	50.000	0.388
10	Norfolk	12	4	0	3	2	3	0	33	45.833	3.470
11	Oxfordshire	10	3	0	2	2	3	0	27	45.000	-2.218
12	Kent 2nd XI	10	3	0	3	2	2	0	26	43.333	-3.073
<b>13</b>	<b>Yorkshire 2nd XI</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>37.037</b>	<b>-5.193</b>
14	Lincolnshire	10	2	0	5	3	0	0	21	35.000	-2.818
15	Staffordshire	10	2	0	4	2	2	0	20	33.333	-1.259
16	Durham	8	2	0	4	0	2	0	14	29.167	-1.521
17	Berkshire	8	0	1	3	2	1	1	10	23.810	-5.071
18	Devon	8	1	0	4	1	1	1	10	23.810	-7.565
19	Cheshire	8	1	0	3	0	2	2	8	22.222	-7.434
20	Cambridgeshire	8	0	0	3	2	3	0	9	18.750	-4.190
21	Wiltshire	8	0	0	4	2	1	1	7	16.667	-9.593
22	Cornwall	8	1	0	7	0	0	0	6	12.500	-8.614
23	Suffolk	8	0	0	5	1	2	0	5	10.417	-18.725

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

**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>100s</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
P A Gibb	2	4	0	145	69	36.25	-	1	2/1
D A Shepherd	7	11	2	324	73	36.00	-	4	3
R Barker	7	13	0	367	87	28.23	-	2	3
A Sykes	4	7	0	183	85	26.14	-	1	1
H Brearley	7	11	0	277	50	25.18	-	1	4
E J H Dixon	4	6	0	151	69	25.16	-	1	1
J A Richardson	2	3	1	45	21*	22.50	-	-	1
G A Wilson	9	15	2	220	57	16.92	-	1	9
J Tomlinson	8	11	2	126	31	14.00	-	-	3
F Wilkinson	9	12	2	127	28*	12.70	-	-	8
J Brumfitt	7	13	0	152	45	11.69	-	-	4
A Laycock	2	3	2	10	8	10.00	-	-	1
H Crick	8	13	1	104	29	8.67	-	-	7/5
A Hamer	2	3	1	17	7*	8.50	-	-	1
G Cawthray	2	4	1	24	10	8.00	-	-	1
J Hampshire	3	4	0	29	26	7.25	-	-	2
R C J Chichester-Constable	10	12	4	41	12*	5.12	-	-	1
H S Hargreaves	9	13	5	29	18*	3.62	-	-	6
A Wales	2	4	0	2	1	0.50	-	-	2

**ALSO BATTED**

<b>Player</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>Ave</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>Ct/St</b>
T Bottomley	1	2	0	50	30	25.00	-	-	-
Emmott	1	2	0	22	21	11.00	-	-	-
J Lawrence	1	1	0	11	11	11.00	-	-	1
J Smurthwaite	1	2	0	15	15	7.50	-	-	-
M Coope	1	2	0	13	9	6.50	-	-	-
J Wetherill	1	2	0	0	0	-	-	-	-

### FINAL AVERAGES - BOWLING

Player	O	M	R	W	BB	Ave	5wI	10wM
A Laycock	59	17	124	8	4/76	15.50	-	-
F Wilkinson	225.4	70	545	31	9/24	17.58	2	1
J Hampshire	49	10	110	6	4/40	18.33	-	-
H S Hargreaves	234.1	37	662	34	5/37	19.47	2	-
J Tomlinson	150.2	40	476	23	6/40	20.69	2	-
G A Wilson	58	14	165	7	4/25	23.57	-	-
J Lawrence	42	7	124	4	3/74	31.00	-	-

### ALSO BOWLED

Player	O	M	R	W	BB	Ave	5Wi	10Wm
J A Richardson	14	2	35	2	2/35	17.50	-	-
A Wales	32	6	95	2	2/78	47.50	-	-
J Smurthwaite	13	2	48	1	1/26	48.00	-	-
G Cawthray	26	7	87	0	-	-	-	-
A Hamer	21	9	52	0	-	-	-	-
T Bottomley	5	1	23	0	-	-	-	-
Emmott	2	0	4	0	-	-	-	-

### LINE SCORES OF MATCHES PLAYED

**v Lancashire (College Grove, Wakefield) 17 & 18 May 1937** – (Toss unknown) Lancs 200 (W Farrimond 77; G A Wilson 4/25, J Lawrence 3/74) & 235/6d (W Place 115\*; J Hampshire 4/40) drew with Yorks 198 (A Sykes 85; R H Parkin 7/49) & 96/5 (T Jaques 3/21)

**v Cheshire (Rake Lane, Wallasey) 2 & 3 June 1937** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 262/7d (G A Wilson 57; T J Bartley 4/75) drew with Cheshire 72/7 (J Tomlinson 3/18)

**v Staffordshire (Michelin Gd, Stoke-on-Trent) 7 & 8 July 1937** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 93/9d (R Lawton 5/53, F Taylor 4/15) & 131 (F Taylor 5/46, L E Gale 3/46) lost to Staffs 201 (L E Gale 78\*; J Tomlinson 6/40) & 26/0 by 10 wkts

**v Staffordshire (Barnsley CC) 9 & 10 July 1937** - \*Staffs 240 (F N Bryan 80; H S Hargreaves 5/88, F Wilkinson 3/51) & 263/5d (F N Bryan 113, E Hawley 84) drew with Yorks 245/9d (R Barker 87; R Lawton 5/92, F Taylor 3/65) & 120/5

**v Cheshire (Ilkley CC) 21 & 22 July 1937** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 79 (L N Jones 4/10, T J Bartley 4/25) drew with Cheshire 73/2d

**v Northumberland (Saville Park, Castleford) 26 & 27 July 1937** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 166 (D A Shepherd 54; H Robson 4/48, G C Wilson 4/51) & 29/3 beat Northumberland 55 (F Wilkinson 9/24) & 137 (F Wilkinson 5/29 [and match figs of 14/53], H S Hargreaves 3/29) by seven wkts

**v Lancashire (Old Trafford) 2 & 3 Aug 1937** – Yorks 195 (R Barker 71, E J H Dixon 69; R H Parkin 4/21, L L Wilkinson 4/51) & 214 (P A Gibb 69, H Brearley 50; L L Wilkinson 5/57, R H Parkin 3/47) drew with Lancs 318 (E W Greenhalgh 67, D M Matthews 66, W Farrimond 56; H S Hargreaves 4/73, A Laycock 4/76) & 34/3

**v Durham (Redcar CC) 4 & 5 Aug 1937** - \*Durham 143 (J A Adamson 55; H S Hargreaves 4/43, F Wilkinson 4/47) & 190 (J A Adamson 68, J H Beresford 67; J Tomlinson 5/40, H S Hargreaves 3/72) lost to Yorks 206 (D A Shepherd 73; J R Latchford 5/47, J Carr 5/74) & 130/4 by six wkts

**v Durham (Blackfyne, Blackhill, Consett) 16 & 17 Aug 1937** - \*Durham 195 (W T Charlton 91; H S Hargreaves 5/37) beat Yorks 87 (S Guthrie 4/10) & 98 (F I Herbert 4/31, J Carr 4/32) by an inns & 10 runs

**v Northumberland (Jesmond) 18 & 19 Aug 1937** – (Toss unknown) Northumberland 351/6d (J S W Usher 144, T A W White 83\*; J Tomlinson 4/114) beat Yorks 173 (D A Shepherd 61\*; H Robson 6/36) & 144 (D A Shepherd 58; J L Allan 4/35, H Robson 4/63 [and match figs of 10/99]) by an inns & 34 runs

#### **CAREER FIGURES AND BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS (WHERE KNOWN) OF PLAYERS WHO MADE THEIR DEBUTS IN 1937**

278) **George CAWTHRAY** – Born 28 Sept 1913, Brayton, Selby, E Yorks  
Died 5 Jan 2001, Leeds, aged 87.

He was a LH batsman and RA medium-paced bowler

First-class debut – v Warwicks, Scarborough, 16-18 Aug 1939

Yorks career – 1937-1952

His highest first-class score (30) came in the County Championship game against Glam at St Helen`s, Swansea on 4-6 June 1952

His best first-class bowling performance (2/64) came in the County Championship game against Derbys at Queen`s Park, Chesterfield on 7-10 June 1952

His career-best score (88\*) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Durham at South Shields on 22 & 23 June 1938

His career-best bowling performance (5/62) came in the Minor Counties Championship game, also against Durham, but this time at Redcar CC on 9 & 10 Aug 1939

### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
4	6	0	114	30	19.00	-	-	1
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
21	31	5	556	88*	21.38	-	1	11
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	2	0	56	50	28.00	-	1	2

### BOWLING

1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	123.4	28	304	4	76.00	2/64	-	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	261.3	38	714	34	21.00	5/62	1	-
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	29	5	54	4	13.50	4/31	-	-

He played Club cricket with Cawood and Selby Londesborough in his home area. He also played for Hull CC, taking over 800 wkts for them and coring over 8000 runs. Hull CC also as a groundsman in 1946, as well as a player. From 1964, he began a 12-year spell as groundsman at Headingley. This time saw two incidents at Headingley. The first was an attack on the ground by a fungus which was apparent during the 1972 Test against Australia and, three years later, the ground was attacked overnight by supporters of the "Free George Davis" campaign, again during a Test against Australia.

The match was intriguingly poised as England had scored 288 & 291 and dismissed Australia for just 135, so setting the tourists 445 to win They were 220/3 going into the final day but, after the damage was discovered, the match was abandoned. As it happened rain set in at 2.30 pm that day and the game would probably have been abandoned any way.

Following retirement, Cawthray worked as a consultant for several clubs.

279) **Miles COOPE** – Born 28 Nov 1916, Gildersome, Leeds

Died 4 July 1974, Gildersome, aged 57.

He was a RH bat and LB bowler

First-class debut – 1947 v Glos, Taunton on 24-27 May 1947 (Playing for Somerset in the County Championship)

Yorks career – 1937-1939

His highest first-class score (113) came in the County Championship game against Middx at Taunton on 16-18 July 1947

His best first-class bowling performance (3/29) came in the County Championship game against Yorks at Taunton on 21 to 24 Aug 1948

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches (For Somerset)	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
71	136	4	2789	113	21.12	2	14	20
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
4	7	1	126	81	21.00	-	1-	
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	1	1	58	58*	-	-	-	-

#### BOWLING

1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	82	5	479	8	59.87	3/29	-	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	4	9	21	1	21.00	1/21	-	-

He was capped by Somerset in 1947.

280) **EMMOTT** – There are no biographical details available for this player. He played just one Minor Counties Championship game against Staffs at the Michelin Gd, Stoke-on-Trent, on 7 & 8 July 1937. He scored 1 and 21. He bowled 2-0-4-0 in the Staffs second innings but did not take any catches.

281) **Arnold HAMER** – Born 8 Dec 1916, Huddersfield  
Died 3 Nov 1993, Huddersfield, aged 76.

He was a RH batsman and OB bowler

First-class debut – v Essex, Valentine’s Park, Ilford on 11-13 May 1938 (County Championship)  
Yorks career – 1937-1938

His highest first –class score (227) came in the County Championship game against Notts at Trent Bridge on 13-15 July 1955

His best first-class bowling figures (4/27) came in the County Championship game against Leics at Queen’s Park, Chesterfield on 16-18 Aug 1950

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches (For Yorks & Derbys)	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
195	515	19	15465	227	31.17	19	79	164
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
9	12	1	237	93	21.54	-	1	3/1
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	1	0	6	6	6.00	-	-	-

#### BOWLING

1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	876.5	234	2363	71	33.28	4/27	-	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	57	12	216	2	108.00	1/28	-	-

He also played football for York City as a full-back before the war. He played for He played for Yorks as a sin bowler before the war but became an opening batsman after hostilities had ceased. He was awarded his Derbyshire cap in 1950 and the County awarded him a benefit in 1958. It raised £2750 (£64, 672.92 in 2020). He had played club cricket for Pudsey St Lawrence, Windhill and Spen Victoria (all Bradford CL) and Primrose Hill (Huddersfield CL).

282) **John(ny) LAWRENCE** – Born 29 March 1911, Carlton, Leeds  
Died 10 Dec 1988, Toulston, Tadcaster, N Yorks, aged 77

He was a RH batsman and LB bowler

First-class debut – v Essex, Taunton, 11-14 May 1946 (County Championship)  
Yorks career – 1937

His highest first –class score (122) came in the County Championship game against Worcs at New Road on 6-9 Aug 1955

His best first-class bowling figures (8/41) came in the County Championship game , also against Worcs at New Road, on 19-22 Aug 1950

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

<b>1st Class Matches (For Somerset)</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>
283	500	52	9185	122	20.50	3	46	262
<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>
1	1	0	11	11	11.00	-	-	1

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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>
	6559.1	1176	19927	798	24.97	8/41	40	4
<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>
	42	7	124	4	31.00	3/74	-	-

He moved to Somerset in 1939 to qualify for them and began playing with them in 1946, the year he received his county cap. He had a benefit in 1954, which raised £3,549 (or £97,811.76 in 2020). After his time with Somerset was over, he went to Haslingden CC as a professional for one season in 1956. In 1958, he began with Lincs in the Minor Counties Championship and played with them for 10 years. He later ran cricket schools at Lordswood and Toulston in Yorkshire, where he coached, among other aspiring cricketers, Geoffrey Boycott.

His son Miles also played for Somerset and his other son, Stephen, played Minor Counties cricket for Cheshire.

283) **A LAYCOCK** – There are no biographical details available for this player.

Yorks career – 1937

His highest score (8) came in the Minor Counties Championship match against Durham at Redcar CC on 4 & 5 Aug 1937 (his final match)

His best bowling figs (4/76) came in the Minor Counties Championship match against Lancs at Old Trafford on 2 & 3 Aug 1937 (his first match)

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	3	2	10	8	10.00	-	-	1

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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	59	17	124	8	15.40	4/76	-	-

284) **James SMURTHWAITE** – Born 17 Oct 1916, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough

Died 20 Oct 1989, Middlesbrough, aged 73

He was a RH batsman and RA medium-paced or OB bowler

First-class debut – v Leics, Aylestone Rd, 3-5 Aug 1938 (County Championship)

Yorks career – 1937-1939

His best first-class score (20\*) came in the County Championship game against Worcs at Bradford PA on 12-15 Aug 1939

His best first class bowling figs (5/7) came in the County Championship game against Derbys at Bramall Lane, Sheffield on 24-27 June 1939

His career-best bowling figs (7/44) came in the friendly game against the North Yorks & South Durham CL at Guisborough CC, N Yorks, on 12 July 1939

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
7	9	5	29	20*	7.25	-	-	4
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
12	13	1	43	20	3.56	-	-	7
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	1	0	5	5	5.00	-	-	1

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1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	103.4	21	237	12	19.75	5/7	1	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	206.1	29	606	44	13.77	6/38	3	-
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	27	5	66	9	7.42	7/44	1	-

When he took his 5/7 against Derbys above, Frank Smailes took 4/11 as Derbys were dismissed for just 20. In their second innings, Smailes took 10/47 as Yorks won by 276 runs, having been dismissed for just 83 in their first innings. Smurthwaite played in the NYSD League for Guisborough, Billingham Synthonia and Saltburn. He also played

in the Yorks CL for Sheffield Utd. He had the best bowling average of any bowler in that league when he recorded 59 wickets at 7.79 in 1939. After the war, he continued to play in the NYSD CL.

285) **J TOMLINSON** – There are no biographical details available for this player

Yorks career – 1937-1938

His highest score (31) came in the Minor Counties Championship match against Durham at Redcar CC on 4 & 5 Aug 1937

His best bowling figs (7/116) came in the Minor Counties Championship match against Durham at South Shields on 22 & 23 June 1938

#### CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
13	16	3	159	31	12.23	-	-	3
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	1	1	7	7*	-	-	-	-

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2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	228.1	62	692	36	19.22	7/116	3	-
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	7	4	13	1	13.00	1/13	-	-

286) **A WALES** – There are no biographical details available for this player. He played two games in 1937. Firstly, it was against Durham at Blackfyne, Blackhill, Consett on 16 & 17 Aug 1937. He registered a pair and took 2/78. He took two catches. He then played against Northumberland at Jesmond on 18 & 19 Aug 1937. He made 1 in each innings, did not take a wicket and took no catches.

287) **J WETHERILL** – No biographical details are available for this player. He played just one game for Yorks in the Minor Counties Championship against Staffs at Barnsley CC on 9 & 10 July 1937. He recorded a pair and did not bowl. He did not take any catches either.

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