

YORKSHIRE SECOND ELEVEN IN THE MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP
SEASON 1958 - FINAL TABLE

Team		P	W	L	DWF	DLF	NC/Ab	Pts	PtPC
Pts awarded		-	10	-	3	1	2	-	-
1	<i>Yorkshire 2nd XI</i>	18	8	1	2	1	6	99	5.50
2	Oxfordshire	10	4	1*	2	2	1	53	5.30
3	Essex 2nd XI	12	5	4*	2	1	0	60	5.50
4	Lancashire 2nd XI	22	8	3	8	1	2	109	4.95
5	Bedfordshire	10	3	1	3	1	2	44	4.40
6	Somerset 2nd XI	16	5	0	2	5	4	69	4.31
7	Northamptonshire 2nd XI	14	4	5‡	4	0	1	60	4.28
8	Staffordshire	12	3	1	3	0	5	49	4.08
9	Warwickshire 2nd XI	20	5	1	7	4	3	81	4.05
10	Middlesex 2nd XI	12	3	2*	2	3	2	46	3.83
11	Gloucestershire 2nd XI	10	3	2	1	3	1	38	3.80
12	Buckinghamshire	10	2	1	4	1	2	37	3.70
13	Cambridgeshire	10	2	1	4	2	1	36	3.60
14	Nottinghamshire 2nd XI	16	3	1	4	5	3	53	3.31
15	Suffolk	8	1	2*	2	2	1	23	2.87
16	Wiltshire	8	1	3‡	1	2	1	23	2.87
17	Devon	10	1	1*	3	4	1	28	2.80
18	Surrey 2nd XI	14	1	3*	5	2	3	36	2.57
19	Northumberland	12	1	4‡	2	2	3	30	2.50
20	Hertfordshire	10	1	0	1	5	3	24	2.40
21	Dorset	12	1	2	2	3	4	27	2.25
22	Durham	12	1	1	2	5	3	27	2.25
23	Berkshire	10	1	3	2	3	1	21	2.10
24	Kent 2nd XI	10	1	4	2	1	2	21	2.10
25	Lincolnshire	10	0	3‡	3	2	2	21	2.10
26	Norfolk	12	0	1*	4	6	1	23	1.91
27	Cornwall	10	0	3*	4	2	1	19	1.90
28	Leicestershire 2nd XI	12	1	3	0	5	3	21	1.75
29	Derbyshire 2nd XI	12	0	3	3	3	3	18	1.50
30	Cumberland	8	0	3	1	2	2	9	1.12
31	Shropshire	8	0	2	0	3	3	9	1.12
32	Cheshire	10	0	4	0	4	2	8	0.80

* 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

Player	M	I	NO	TR	HS	Ave	100	50	Ct/St
R L Feather	2	3	2	68	25	68.00	-	-	1
H D Bird	9	13	1	483	108	40.25	1	3	3
E I Lester	18	22	4	670	143	37.22	1	4	7
P J Sharpe	9	13	0	459	112	35.30	1	-	10
W F Oates	10	13	1	400	123*	33.33	1	2	7
D E V Padgett	6	8	2	313	82	32.16	-	3	3
F A Lowson	4	4	1	92	42	30.67	-	-	2
J B Bolus	6	8	0	233	77	29.12	-	2	4
G W Moore	14	17	2	367	101*	24.46	1	1	2
D J Ellis	5	7	0	158	63	22.57	-	2	1
J P G Chadwick	6	6	1	93	29	18.60	-	-	5
J Birkenshaw	11	13	0	191	35	14.69	-	-	3
D Wilson	12	15	3	169	33	14.08	-	-	9
B Handley	3	5	0	70	34	14.00	-	-	2
T Copley	4	5	1	42	23*	10.50	-	-	2
M Ryan	9	12	2	101	25*	10.10	-	-	1
R K Platt	16	11	7	33	8	8.25	-	-	2
C D Fearnley	2	3	0	24	19	8.00	-	-	1
E Legard	16	15	7	60	17*	7.50	-	-	19/7
P J Kippax	3	3	0	22	21	7.33	-	-	-
R Appleyard	7	5	1	23	14	5.75	-	-	9
G B Wood	5	5	1	17	16	4.25	-	-	1
A B Bainbridge	2	3	0	10	5	3.33	-	-	2
M J Cowan	8	5	1	9	6*	2.25	-	-	2

ALSO BATTED

Player	M	I	NO	TR	HS	Ave	100	50	Ct/St
F W Goddard	1	1	0	8	8	8.00	-	-	-
K Gillhouley	1	1	0	6	6	6.00	-	-	-
D Pickles	5	1	0	1	1	1.00	-	-2	
G Hodgson	2	1	0	0	0	-	-	-	1
G Booth	1	1	0	0	0	-	-	-	1
E M Dyson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

FINAL AVERAGES – BOWLING

Player	O	M	R	W	BB	Ave	5wI	10wM
B Handley	51	19	87	11	5/27	7.90	1	-
D Wilson	360	161	615	61	7/23	10.08	5	3
J Birkenshaw	188.4	69	378	34	8/37	11.11	3	2
G B Wood	88.2	39	158	13	6/31	12.15	1	-
R Appleyard	126	36	304	18	5/83	16.88	1	-
M Ryan	177.1	55	381	22	6/32	17.31	2	-
M J Cowan	145	33	333	18	4/37	18.50	-	-
R K Platt	284	96	645	33	7/28	19.54	1	-
D Pickles	92.1	24	259	11	3/24	23.54	-	-

ALSO BOWLED

Player	O	M	R	W	BB	Ave	5wI	10wM
G Booth	14	4	29	2	2/29	14.50	-	-
A B Bainbridge	21	6	42	2	2/35	21.00	-	-
J B Bolus	8	2	17	0	-	-	-	-

LINE SCORES OF MATCHES PLAYED

v Northamptonshire (Barnsley CC) 19 & 20 May 1958 – (Toss unknown) Yorks 68 (L McGibbon 3/13, P J Watts 3/19, J E Edmonds 3/27) & 222 (J B Bolus 77; L McGibbon 4/56, J Wild 3/42) beat Northants 110 (J Birkenshaw 5/21) & 81 (J Birkenshaw 8/37 [and match figs of 13/58]) by 99 runs

v Lancashire (Old Trafford) 26 & 27 May 1958 – Lancs 124 (M Ryan 5/50, M J Cowan 3/46) & 152 (R Collins 52; M J Cowan 4/37, J Birkenshaw 3/40) drew with *Yorks 240/6d (P J Sharpe 112; F Moore 4/43) & 30/3

v Lincolnshire (Saltaire CC) 2 & 3 June 1958 – (Toss unknown) Yorks 162 (W F Oates 50; J Lawrence 5/42, J D Walton 4/39) drew with Lines 61/5

v Cheshire (Victoria Rd, Macclesfield) 11 & 12 June 1958 – (Toss unknown) Yorks 267/7d (W F Oates 123*, J B Bolus 53; A B Jackson 3/80) drew with Cheshire 64/3

v Northumberland (Jesmond) 23 & 24 June 1958 – (Toss unknown) Northumberland 66 (D Wilson 7/25) & 190 (R G Clough 63, P H Shaw 51; R Appleyard 5/83, D Wilson 4/70 [and match figs of 11/95]) lost to Yorks 253/7d (H D Bird 76; J Y Oakes 3/81, P D Brodrick 3/94) & 6/0 by 10 wkts

v Lincolnshire (Abbey Lawn, Bourne) 9 & 10 July 1958 – (Toss unknown) Yorks 217/8d (D E V Padgett 64*; J D Walton 5/51) beat Lines 56 (D Wilson 5/14, R Appleyard 4/15) & 65 (B Handley 5/27, D Wilson 3/21) by an inns & 96 runs

v Northamptonshire (Northampton) 14 & 15 July 1958 – (Toss unknown) Northants 185 (M Ryan 6/32) & 170/8d (P J Watts 63; D Pickles 3/42) lost to Yorks 163 (M R Dilley 7/55) & 193/8 (D E V Padgett 71*; M R Dilley 3/61 [and math figs of 10/116]) by two wkts

v Northumberland (Acklam Park, Middlesbrough) 16 & 17 July 1958 – (Toss unknown) Yorks 136 (H D Bird 60; M Glaister 6/48, J G Duncan 3/33) & 189/9d (E I Lester 72*; K Norton 6/94, M Glaister 3/32) beat Northumberland 139/6d (J Y Oakes 72*; M Ryan 3/60) & 71 (G B Wood 6/31, B Handley 4/29) by 115 runs

v Durham (Duke`s Park, Bridlington) 21 & 22 July 1958 - *Yorks 302/8d (G W Moore 101*, E I Lester 58; N H Pigg 4/77) drew with Durham 102/4

v Cheshire (Wiggington Rd, York) 23 & 24 July 1958 – (Toss unknown) Cheshire 128 (D Wilson 4/23, R K Platt 4/51) & 66 (D Wilson 7/23 [and match figs of 11/46]) lost to Yorks 224/9d (D E V Padgett 82; D J Smith 3/58, K E Young 3/67) by an inns & 30 runs

v Cumberland (Harrogate CC) 28 & 29 July 1958 – (Toss unknown) Cumberland 198 (H Halliday 79; D Wilson 4/64, R K Platt 3/38) lost to Yorks 199/5 (H D Bird 92, D J Ellis 63; T Thompson 3/57) by five wkts (*There was no play on the first day, so this single-inns match was arranged*)

v Durham (Darlington CC) 30 & 31 July 1958 – Durham 104 (M J Cowan 3/24, D Pickles 3/24) & 180/3 (J M Camburn 95) drew with *Yorks 219/3d (H D Bird 108, D J Ellis 60)

v Lancashire (Scarborough) 4 & 5 Aug 1958 - *Yorks 93 (K B Standring 5/13, F Moore 4/45) & 144 (C Hilton 4/21, B J Booth 4/58) lost to Lancs 241/6d (G A Edrich 60*, K B Standring 53*) by an inns & 4 runs

v **Cumberland (Fitz Park, Keswick) 6 & 7 Aug 1958** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 183 (E I Lester 60; T Thompson 3/31, J H Millican 3/37, J Rudd 3/60) beat Cumberland 80 (J Birkenshaw 6/15, G B Wood 3/34) & 48 (J Birkenshaw 4/12 [and match figs of 10/27]) by an inns & 55 runs,

v **Staffordshire (Knutton Rd, Wolstanton, Newcastle-u-Lyme) 11 & 12 Aug 1958** – Match abandoned without a ball bowled

v **Nottinghamshire (Steetley Co Gd, Steetley) 20 & 21 Aug 1958** – (Toss unknown) Notts 41/1 drew with Yorks DNB

v **Nottinghamshire (Fartown, Huddersfield) 25 & 26 Aug 1958** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 138/6d (R Cameron 3/53) drew with Notts 70/8 (R K Platt 7/28)

v **Staffordshire (Redcar CC) 27 & 28 Aug 1958** – (Toss unknown) Yorks 147 (B S Crump 5/49) & 113/4 (E I Lester 52*) drew with Staffs 301/6d (J T Ikin 105, F R Bailey 75; J Birkenshaw 3/105)

v **Oxfordshire (Duke`s Park, Bridlington) 10, 11, 12 Sept 1958 – Championship decider** - (Toss unknown) Oxfordshire 191 (D Wilson 6/41) & 163 (D Wilson 5/28 [and match figs of 11/69], R K Platt 4/66) lost to Yorks 404/9d (E I Lester 143, W F Oates 88, G W Moore 59; D Banton 4/97, R D J Surman 3/113) by an inns & 50 runs
(*Yorkshire thus retained the title they had won the previous year, for their third championship*)

CAREER FIGURES AND BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS (WHERE KNOWN) OF PLAYERS WHO MADE THEIR DEBUTS IN 1958

446) **John Peter Granville CHADWICK** – Born 8 Nov 1934, Pateley Bridge, N Yorks

He was a RH batsman and RA medium-pace bowler

First-class debut – v Sussex, Acklam Park, Middlesbrough, 1-3 June 1960

Yorks career – 1958-1965

His highest first-class score (59) came in the County Championship match against Middx at Scarborough on 21-23 July 1965

His best first-class bowling figures came in the County Championship match against Derbys at Queen`s park, Chesterfield on 8-11 June 1963

His career-best highest score (113) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Lancs at Lune Rd, Lancaster on 3 & 4 June 1963

His career-best bowling figures (2/33) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Durham at Darlington CC on 15 & 16 Aug 1962

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
6	9	3	106	59	17.67	-	1	7

2nd XI Championship	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
23	42	3	1066	106	27.33	1	9	15/1
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
37	55	8	1417	113	30.14	1	6	28

BOWLING

1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
23	6	67	2	33.50	2/58	-	-	
2nd XI Championship	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
6.2	3	14	0	-	-	-	-	
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
70	11	208	5	41.60	2/33	-	-	

His club cricket began with a stint at Pateley Bridge (Nidderdale CL) and then Harrogate (Yorkshire CL). He also played for Great Horton (Bradford CL).

447) **Trevor COPLEY** – No biographical details are available for this player. He played all his games for Yorks between 1958 and 1960.

His highest score (142*) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Lincs at Dukes Park, Bridlington on 19 & 20 Aug 1959

His career-best bowling figures (2/17) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Durham at Harrogate CC on 15 & 16 June 1959

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

2nd XI Championship	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
8	15	2	318	83*	24.46	-	1	2

2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
12	16	5	593	142*	53.90	2	3	6

BOWLING

2nd XI Championship	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	18	4	61	4	15.25	3/40	-	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	59	22	124	5	24.80	2/17	-	-

448) **Edward Martin DYSON** – Born 21 Oct 1935, Sandal, Wakefield, W Yorks
Died 22 Dec 1919, Winchester, Hants, aged 84

He was a RH batsman and was educated at Keble College, Oxford

First-class debut – v The Free Foresters at The Parks on 24-27 May 1958 (playing for Oxford Un). He did not play and first-class cricket for Yorkshire.
Yorks career – 1958-1960

His highest first-class score (68*) came in the match against The Free Foresters at The Parks on 4-6 June 1960

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
27	48	3	819	68*	18.20	-	3	16
2nd XI Championship	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	3	0	102	53	34.00	-	1	-

2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
6	8	1	169	66	24.14	-	1	6
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	1	0	13	13	13.00	-	-	-

BOWLING

1st Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	3	0	8	0	-	-	-	-

449) **David John ELLIS** – Born 13 Apr 1934, Middlesbrough, N Yorks. He was a RH batsman. He played all his games for Yorks between 1957 and 1960

List A debut – v Herts (for Durham), Darlington CC on 4 May 1964 (Gillette Cup)

His highest score (117) came in the Minor Counties Championship match against Northumberland at Jesmond CC on 3 & 4 June 1963 (Playing for Durham)

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

List A Matches (For Durham)	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	2	0	3	2	1.50	-	-	-
2nd XI Championship	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
1	2	0	6	3	3.00	-	-	1
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches (For Yorks & Durham)	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
42	64	4	1520	117	25.33	1	9	18

2nd XI Friendly Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	3	0	89	41	29.67	-	-	-

He joined Durham in 1961 and they capped him in that season. He played only Minor Counties cricket until 1966, his final season.

450) **Robert Leigh FEATHER** – Born 6 May 1933, Keighley, W Yorks.

Died 28 July 2015, aged 82

His highest score (53) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Durham at Acklam Park, Middlesbrough on 13 & 14 June 1960

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

2nd XI Championship	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
15	24	2	230	36	10.45	-	-	8
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
45	48	10	656	53	17.26	-	1	35

He was educated at Harrow School and captained them in 1952. He played all his matches for Yorks between 1958 and 1967.

451) **Keith GILLHOULEY** – Born – 8 August 1934, Crosland Moor, Huddersfield

First Class debut – v Essex, Harrogate, 7-9 June, 1961

Yorkshire career – 1952 to 1962

Highest score in First Class matches – 75* v Worcestershire, Trent Bridge, 15-18 June 1963 (for Nottinghamshire in the County Championship)

Career-best bowling – 7/58 v Northumberland, Jesmond CC, 20-21 June 1960 (in 2nd XI Championship matches)

Best Bowling in First Class matches – 7/82 v Middlesex, Bradford Park Avenue Ground, 14-16 June 1961 (County Championship)

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

First Class Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
108	166	28	2051	75*	14.86	-	7	60
List A Matches (For Nottinghamshire)	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	2	0	10	9	5.00	-	-	1
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
30	35	7	471	69	16.82	-	1	28
2nd XI Championship Matches	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
18	31	5	437	45*	16.80	-	-	19

BOWLING

First Class Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5Wi	10Wm
	2845	989	6922	255	27.14	7/82	8	-
List A Matches (For Nottinghamshire)	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	4Wi	5Wm
	24	6	78	4	19.50	4/33	1	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5Wi	10Wm
	678.2	179	1509	112	13.47	7/70	8	-
2nd XI Championship Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5Wi	10Wm
	475.5	163	1208	79	15.29	7/58	6	1

Keith Gillhouley began his cricket in the summer of 1945, when his father came home from serving in the Desert Rats in the Second World War. Keith was 10 years old at the time. A natural left-hander, and having listened to his father's stories about the giants of Yorkshire cricket, Rhodes, Verity and Wardle, Keith was always going to be a

slow left arm bowler , although he could bat too and was known to have a good defence.

He was encouraged not only by his father but also by some of his teachers at Crosland Moor County School to develop his game. He was very keen and used to practice in the playground on the concrete wicket before school started and every playtime. He was then put forward to play for Huddersfield Town Boys. He began his club cricket with Armitage Bridge in the Huddersfield League and he made the first eleven just before his fifteenth birthday.

Keith did not play for Yorkshire Schools as he had left school at age 15 to do an electrical engineering apprenticeship. However, he was invited to Yorkshire nets at Headingley in the usual way, in that his club, having noticed some talent put him forward through the Huddersfield League to be seen by coaches Arthur Mitchell and Maurice Leyland.

He was also picked for the Yorkshire Federation under 18 side, alongside an equally young Ken Taylor.

Keith moved to Lockwood CC (also Huddersfield League) at the age of 17. The Lockwood CC captain was a neighbour of the Gillhouley family and had seen Keith playing in the streets and asked him to join the club to open the bowling. Keith had a successful opening partnership with the Lockwood professional John Bodkin who was a right arm bowler. It was a winning combination and the humid atmosphere of the valley there helped Keith to get a lot of swing on the ball. The partnership helped the club to win the Sykes Cup in 1955 in front of a crowd of 5398.

Keith did not do his national service at 18, because he was still studying for his apprenticeship, but he was called up to join the R.A.F age 21. Freddy Clarkson, who was a committee member at Lockwood, wrote to the Air Ministry to say Keith had a promising career in cricket and asked that he could be posted somewhere that would allow him to return home and play at weekends, And the plea must have worked for Keith was then posted to Topcliffe in North Yorkshire which allowed him to carry on playing for Lockwood throughout his time in the R.A.F. He played another season for them after leaving the RAF before moving onto Dalton CC to be their professional.

Keith moved to Dalton CC (Huddersfield Cricket League) at the age of 23 and, as the club professional, was expected to produce with both bat and ball. He bowled left and batted right, exactly the same as Wilfred Rhodes and George Herbert Hirst. Keith batted at number four in the order. He put in some good performances, one notable one was taking all 10 wickets for 23, for Dalton against Kirkburton, and scoring 50 for good measure.

Unfortunately this splendid double was not reported in the newspapers as there was a printers strike at the time. But such performances meant that Keith was getting noticed, and he was invited to play for Yorkshire seconds having had invitations on two previous occasions when he was unable to play due to injury. He took 91 wickets at 14.25 for Yorkshire colts in 1960 and was awarded his second team cap. This led to a call-up with first eleven in 1961 when Don Wilson was injured. He had a very successful season in that 1961 season, taking 77 wickets at 22.10 (with a career best 7 for 82 against Middlesex) and scored 306 runs.

When that call-up arrived, Keith had been playing in the second team at Ripon and he was informed that he was needed the next day to play Essex at Harrogate.

At the age of 26, he was finally fulfilling his ambition to play for Yorkshire. He was so proud, particularly of all the history and traditions and being able to follow in the footsteps of all those great Yorkshire cricketers that were his father's heroes. He rushed home to tell his family, and he can still see his father's face when Keith told him. He was absolutely lost for words but it did not take long for the news to get out when he said "I'll just go for a walk round the bowling green to see who's there"

In later years he was asked by Fred Trueman and Don Mosey to write a chapter in their book “champion times” about his favourite / most memorable match playing for Yorkshire and , of course , for Keith nothing in his cricketing memories would ever equal the experience of playing for Yorkshire for the first time. In the following season, he played successfully for Yorkshire second eleven but did not receive any more calls to first eleven duty. So he moved to Trent Bridge and played there for four seasons

In 1963, Keith had the honour of being selected to represent the MCC in a game against Yorkshire, played at Scarborough at the end of August, as part of the Scarborough Festival, which began in 1876. Keith had match figures of 8/113, including 5/109 in Yorkshire`s second innings. This return included his 150th wicket in First Class cricket.(Ray Illingworth, caught behind by Keith Andrew)

He played with Nottinghamshire until 1966, finishing his career with 255 first class wickets in 108 matches and scoring 2, 051 top level runs . He settled in Nottingham and started his own business. He carried on playing cricket at weekends travelling to Ashton under Lyne in the Central Lancashire League to be their professional until 1969 . He also played amateur cricket, with friends until he retired from the game aged 50.

He now lives back in Yorkshire, in Guiseley, just outside Leeds. He spends his weekends watching his grandson play cricket, and regularly attends the Players Association meetings and games at Headingley.

He spent his eightieth birthday at the ground where they kindly honoured him with a birthday message and photos of his playing days on the scoreboard. He was accompanied to that game by his family and old friends.

452) **Geoffrey HODGSON** – Born 24 July 1938, Lepton , Huddersfield. He was a RH batsman and WK.

First-class debut – v Oxford Un, The Parks, 2-5 May 1964

Yorks career – 1958-1964

His highest first-class score (4) was made in his debut match (above)

His career-best highest score (48) came in the Minor Counties Championship game against Northumberland at Jesmond CC on 26 & 27 June 1963

CAREER STATISTICS - BATTING & FIELDING

1st Class Matches (For Yorks & Lancs)	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
2	2	0	5	4	2.50	-	-	3/2
2nd XI Championship (For Yorks & Lancs)	Inns	Not Outs	Total Runs	Highest Score	Average	100s	50s	Ct/St
19	23	8	195	39	14.50	-	-	22/5

BOWLING

2nd XI Championship	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	155.4	55	375	24	15.62	5/66	2	-
2nd XI Minor Counties Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	88.2	39	158	13	12.15	6/31	1	-
2nd XI Friendly Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Figures	5wI	10wM
	30	14	63	4	15.75	4/47	-	-
