

# Hall of Fame



## Adrian GRAYSON

**Northallerton – 1969**

**Bedale – 1975 – 1995**

Secretary 1975 – 1984

Chairman – 1994 – 1999

Captain

**York Senior League**

Representative XI – Captain

**Yorkshire Over 50s – Captain**

**Wath Junior Cricket League**

Secretary

Adrian Grayson merits his place in the Hall of fame in a number of ways, including talented player, club and league representative captain, top quality coach, organiser of youth cricket and the driving force behind Bedale Cricket Club during their second spell as members of the York Senior League. Adrian has been heavily involved in all these activities for 30 plus years and is still heavily committed to his coaching and youth promotion work, as well as being chairman of his club.

He began his playing career at Pickering in the old East Yorkshire Cup before moving to Northallerton who were then members of the York Senior League. He made 369 runs for the Northern club in 1969 and was a member of the Northallerton side who won the league title in 1970 before quitting the York League to join the North Yorkshire & South Durham League. Sadly the club failed to supply averages for their final season thus Adrian's contribution to their success is un-recorded.

Adrian returned to the York League in 1975 when he took over as Secretary of a club that had finished at the foot of division two. His first year saw Bedale earn promotion as he headed both the run table and averages in Division 3 with 822 runs at 74.22 thus smashing both divisional records by some distance. The following year his 793 runs at 52.86 saw him occupy both top slots in Division 2 and his side again clinch promotion before season 1977 saw him record a remarkable and unique triple success when his 713 runs at 41.94 had him as both leading run scorer and best average in the old Division One.

He topped the averages the following season and was, for a number of years, a highly rated skipper of the York League's Representative side which he led in over 30 games including a victory over the Bradford League. He was captain of Bedale when they won the League Cup in both 1979 and 1983 and was club Secretary for 10 years. He captained the Yorkshire County over 50s side for 6 years and led them to victory in the national Competition in 1998.

Adrian has been heavily involved with junior cricket development over an extensive period of time at school, area, club and league level where he has been secretary of the Wath Junior Cricket League for many years. His involvement, coupled with his coaching skills fully deserved the recognition given by the Yorkshire Cricket Board last year when he was the first recipient of the new Yorkshire Cricket Board Oscar for Services to Youth Cricket in 2007.

Both Adrian's sons played cricket in the York League and the Grayson family have the unique record of father and two sons all making centuries in the first division. Paul Grayson went on to play county cricket with both Yorkshire and Essex and, in making 8655 runs and taking 136 wickets is easily the most successful county player to emerge from our league. He also made two one-day international appearances for England. Brother Simon has had a successful career in professional football as both player and manager.

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### York Senior League Records held by Adrian Grayson

- Only player to top division averages and be divisional leading run-scorer in three consecutive seasons (1975-6-7)
- Best batting average in Div. 3 74.72 in 1975 *since overtaken*
- Most games as captain of League Representative XI
- First player in Div. 3 to score two centuries against same opponents (1975 – 107\* & 100\* v Magnets)
- First player to score three centuries in a season in Division 3 1975 133\*, 107\* & 100\*

## ADRIAN GRAYSON – PLAYING RECORD

(Details of years when qualified for League Handbook)

YEAR	DIV. XI	INN.	N.O.	H.S.	RUNS	AVE	100/ 50s	Pos.	Overs	M	Runs	Wkts	Ave	RPO	5w/I	Pos.	Ct	St	Notes
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### Northallerton

1969	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	15	2	67	369	28.38												
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### Bedale

1975	3	1 <sup>st</sup>	19	8	133*	822	74.72	3/-	1 <sup>st</sup>										
1976	2	1 <sup>st</sup>	20	5	98*	793	52.86		1 <sup>st</sup>										
1977	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	20	3	103*	713	41.94	1/-	1 <sup>st</sup>	115.0	22	297	20	14.85	2.58				
1978	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	18	5	107*	667	51.30	1/-	1 <sup>st</sup>										
1979	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	17	3	74	490	35.00												
1980	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	19	3	58	442	27.63												
1981	2	1 <sup>st</sup>	20	3	101*	679	39.94	1/-	1 <sup>st</sup>	177.0	32	494	33	14.97	2.79				
1982	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	19	1	116	566	31.44	1/-		125.0	14	467	23	20.30	3.74				
1983	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	13	2	67	304	27.63												
1984	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	16	2	90*	406	29.00												
1985	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	18	3	50	241	16.07												
1986	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	18	3	62	301	20.07												
1987	1																		
1988	1																		
1989	1	1 <sup>st</sup>	18	3	57*	417	27.80												
1990	2	1 <sup>st</sup>	18	5	83	409	31.46												
1991	2	1 <sup>st</sup>	15	7	41*	241	30.13												
1992	1																		
1993	4	2 <sup>nd</sup>	15	1	82	472	33.71	-/3											
1994	4	2 <sup>nd</sup>	15	5	60*	318	31.80	-/2											
1995	4	2 <sup>nd</sup>	14	2	64	466	38.83	-/6											

<b>Totals</b>			<b>327</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>133*</b>	<b>9116</b>	<b>34.93</b>			<b>561.4</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>1806</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>18.62</b>	<b>3.22</b>				
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**Centuries** 7

1975	133*	v Dunnington	D.3
	107*	v Magnets	D.3
	100*	v Magnets	D.3
1977	103*	v Tadcaster	D.1
1978	107*	v Heworth	D.1
1981	101*	v Huntington	D.2
1982	116	v Sessay	D.1

**Leading Batting Averages** 5

1975	1976	1977	1978	1981
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**Leading Run Scorer in Division** 4

1975	1976	1977	1981
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**500 Runs in a Season** 6

**Most Runs in a Season** 822 1975

**Highest Score** 133\* 1975 v Dunnington

**50 Wickets in a Season** nil

**Eight Wickets in an Innings** nil

**Leading Divisional Bowling Averages** nil

**Leading Divisional Wicket Taker** nil

**Most Wickets in a Season** 33 1981

**Best Bowling Figures** n/k

**Most Wicket Keeper Victims in a Season** n/a

**Most Stumpings in a Season** n/a

**Number of times qualified for inclusion in averages in League Handbook** 22

Batting = 18      Bowling = 4      Fielding =      Wicket Keeper =      individual awards