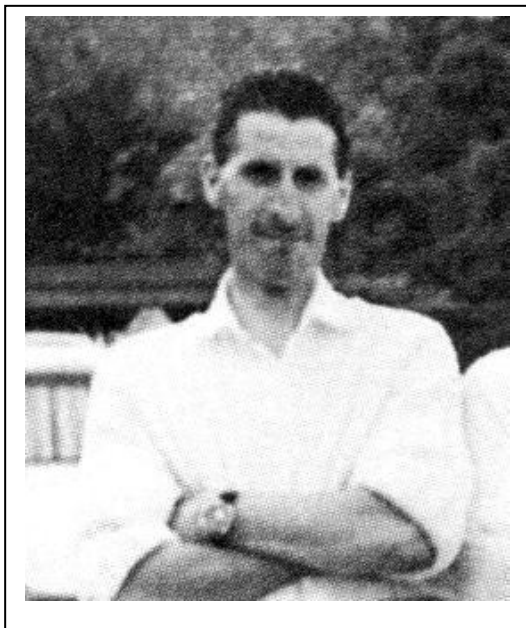


# Hall of Fame

## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



### **D. I. (David) WORSNOP**

**Markington C.C. – to 1966**

**Thirsk C.C. 1967 – <**

**York Senior League - Committee 1981 - 2005**

**York Umpires Panel 1996 – 2004**

**York & Scarborough Area Cricket Council**

**Y.C.B. Grounds Committee**

**David Worsnop** began playing league cricket with his local village side Markington Cricket Club in the Nidderdale League. He moved from the village after getting married in 1963 but continued to play for the club for a further three seasons.

Upon moving to Thirsk in December 1966 he joined the town club and made his York Senior League debut in 1967 in a division one game at Heworth in possibly their first season at their Elm Park Way Ground. Dave recalls that the game only lasted a few overs before it fell victim of the rain.

This first season saw him capture 23 wickets at under 20 runs apiece but it was to be three seasons later before he again reached the magical 20 wicket mark to earn a mention in the then fairly modest league handbook. However in one of the intervening years, 1969, he did prove his value with a bat when he scored 336 runs at a quite high average of 37.34 which saw him reach the giddy heights of fifth in the first division batting averages in a season which saw the best average set down by our current League President, George Myerscough. The other three to show above Dave, who is listed as D. Worship, were former Yorkshire player Peter Squires, one time League XI skipper Ray Midgley and Myerscough's Dringhouses team mate Keith Cowl. He was never again to get close to this average as a batsman although he did make more runs in the following season (374) albeit at a much reduced average.

He was primarily a bowler and this is born out by the fact that he qualified for the bowling averages on 19 occasions and claimed 50 wickets or more on two occasions, his best tally being 57 wickets in division two in 1975 which saw him in third place in the division averages. His best bowling figures were the 8 for 44 he claimed against Sheriff Hutton in 1972

David was a regular for the North team in the League's regional over 40s competition which ran for five seasons in the early nineties and was won by Dave's side on four out of the five years. He also made a number of appearances for Yorkshire County Over 50s side in the National Championship.

Whereas Dave's playing record stands up well, his inclusion in the Hall of Fame owes much to his input off the field where he was Secretary of Thirsk Cricket Club for 15 years from 1982 to 1996 and was also Secretary of the Thirsk Athletic Sports Club for many years. After ending his playing days Dave spent nine years on the neutral umpires panel where he earned a reputation as a 'good' umpire who was able to call on his playing experience to make his decisions soundly.

However David's greatest service to our League and local cricket was his dedication and hard work during his long period as a member of the League Management which saw him join the Committee in 1981 and remain an active and supportive member until 2005 when he decided to step down after completing 25 years service. At that time only four persons had served longer terms on the League Committee. For 13 of the 25 years David had the role of Assistant Secretary with the dual responsibility of covering Grounds and Facilities and Disciplinary issues. He undertook both tasks in a dedicated manner and maintained appropriate records which were often found to be extremely valuable points of reference in disputed situations. He made a point of visiting all the grounds in the League and could always be relied upon to provide a set of facility marks for each club. This is no mean feat given the number of clubs and the size of the geographical footprint. In committee, David always presented well thought out views and played a significant role in the running of the League.

He was a League delegate to the York & Scarborough Area Cricket Council and, from its inception, undertook the duties of Treasurer until standing down two years ago. He also served on the Yorkshire Cricket Board Groundsmans' Sub-Committee for a number of years.

## DAVID WORSNOP – PLAYING RECORD

YEAR	DIV.	INN	N.O	H.S.	RUNS	AVE	100s	Pos.	OVERS	MDS.	RUNS	WKTS	AVE	8W/I Pos.	NOTES
<b>Thirsk C. C.</b>															
1967	1	dnq							157.0	38	447	34	19.44		
1968		dnq							dnq						
1969	1	14	5	?	336	37.34		5 <sup>th</sup>	dnq						
1970	1	21	0	49	374	17.81			221.0	52	565	29	19.48		
1971	2	dnq							183.0	41	389	30	12.97		
1972	2	dnq							151.0	41	389	25	15.56		
1973	2	dnq							238.0	47	500	42	11.90		
1974	2	12	1	59	170	15.45			243.0	59	626	54	11.59		
1975	2	18	3	38	239	15.93			243.0	59	589	57	10.33	3 <sup>rd</sup>	
1976	1	dnq							202.0	48	574	37	15.51		
1977	1	12	3	61*	191	21.22			177.0	45	485	25	19.40		
1978	1	19	5	47*	293	20.92			194.0	44	604	33	18.30		
1979	1	15	5	37	177	17.70			190.1	59	407	29	14.03		
1980	1	dnq							211.0	47	594	30	19.80		
1981	1	dnq							211.0	51	487	27	18.04		
1982	1	no averages received from Thirsk C.C.													
1983	1	dnq							271.3	66	763	25	30.52		
1984	2	dnq							176.0	45	396	28	14.14		
1985	1	dnq							234.0	57	566	27	20.96		
1986	1	dnq							274.0	79	635	30	21.17		
1987		dnq							dnq						
1988		dnq							dnq						
1989	2	dnq							253.0	71	646	39	16.56		
1990	2	dnq							168.0	43	432	23	18.78		
									3997.4	992	10094	613	16.47		

### BATTING

#### 500 Runs in a Season

Most Runs in a Season 374 ave. 17.81 Div.1 1970

Centuries 0

Highest Score 61\* 1977

Leading Run Scorer in Division 0

Top of Batting Averages in Division 0

### BOWLING

Average Runs per Over during recorded career 2.52

Eight or more Wickets in a Match 1

1972 8 – 42 v Sheriff Hutton Div. 2

Fifty Wickets in a Season 2

Most Wickets in a Season 57 1975

Top of Bowling Averages 0

Leading Wicket Taker in Division 0

Number of times qualified for averages in League Handbook 26

Batting = 7

Bowling = 19