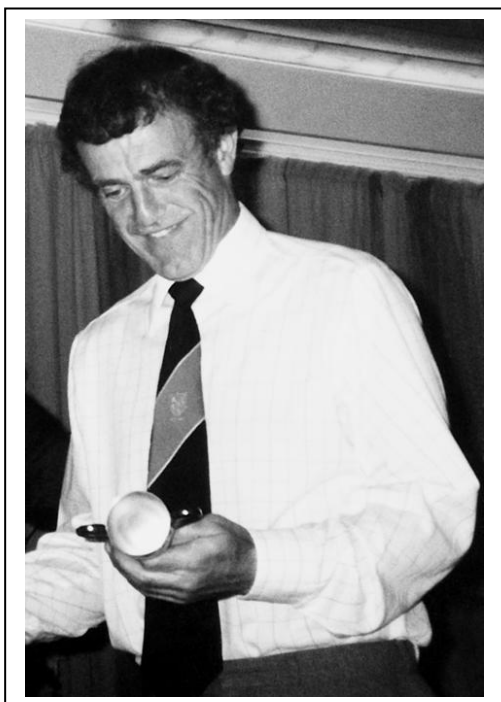


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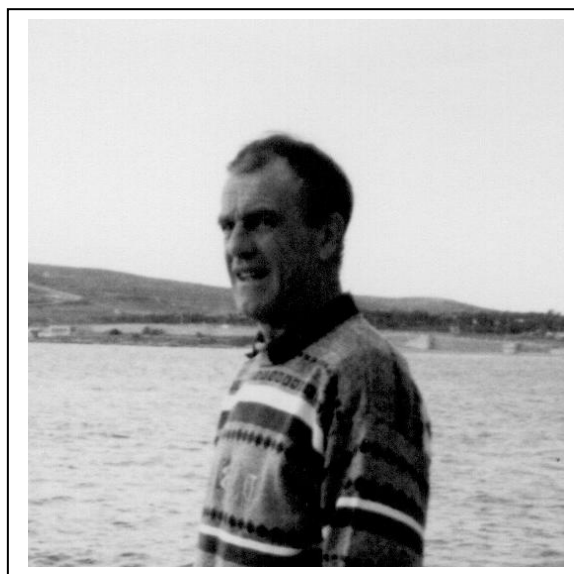
E.S. (Eric) WALLIS

Tadcaster c1957 – 1959; 1965 – c1992

Eric Wallis started his career at Tadcaster Cricket Club in the mid-fifties and continued to turn in superb all-round performances for his club until the early nineties apart from a five year break from 1960 to 1964 when he had a spell in the Bradford League.

A measure of his outstanding ability, both as a batsman and bowler, is the fact that in his 31 years as a regular player he qualified for the batting averages on 30 occasions, only missing out in his final season, and for the bowling averages in 24 seasons and, in qualifying for the handbook a total of 54 times he is statistically the League's most successful all-rounder. In fact this record may well have extended for at least one further season but no averages were received from the Tadcaster club in 1993. For many of these years he forged an extremely successful partnership with team-mate Terry Downey who sadly passed away in February 2007.

Existing records reveal that Eric made some 13,072 runs at an average of 31.81 and took 810 wickets at a most respectable 14.53 with his cunning spinners, both records which compare favourably with his contemporaries. He was second division leading run scorer twice, in 1965 and 1971 and topped the second division batting averages on three occasions, in 1965, 1971 and 1973 and was second on a further three occasions, 1958, 1959 and 1976. He then reached the pinnacle when he was leading run scorer with 670 runs and headed the first division averages in 1979 when he had an average of 55.83 which, at the time had only been bettered by Val Toase in 1957. He also followed Toase in becoming the second batsman to hit three centuries in a season and became the first batsman to hit two centuries in a year against the same team in 1965. The unfortunate opposition were Bolton Percy who suffered as Eric made 135no and 119no which he then followed with an unbeaten 104 against Acomb. In all he made 8 centuries between 1959 and 1979 whilst his highest aggregate was his 689 at 53.00 in 1971 in a halcyon season that also earned him 32 wickets at an average of just 9.47. He topped 500 runs on eight occasions.



Eric inspecting a very wet wicket!

In the bowling department, he reached third place in the averages on three occasions and took 50 wickets in a season three times with his 52 wickets at 15.73 in division one in 1986 being his highest haul. His most devastating bowling performance came in 1984 when he claimed 9 for 50 against Bedale in a season when he also made 547 runs.

YORK SENIOR LEAGUE RECORDS HELD

- Most times qualified for averages in league handbook – 54 - (Batting = 30, Bowling = 24)
- First batsman to score three centuries in a season in division two (1965)
- First batsman to score two centuries against same opposition (135* & 119* v Bolton Percy – 1965)
- Had a batting average of 53.00 and a bowling average of 9.47 in 1971 –a unique performance in having a batting average of 50 coupled with a single figure bowling average

ERIC WALLIS – PLAYING RECORD

Records for this player are not available pre-1957

YEAR	DIV.	INN	N.O	H.S.	RUNS	AVE	100s	Pos.	OVERS	MDS.	RUNS	WKTS	AVE	8W/I	Pos.	NOTES
Tadcaster C.C.																
1957	1	10	0	57	158	15.80										
1958	1	12	3	81*	345	38.33		2 nd								
1959	1	16	4	120	482	40.16	1	2 nd								
1960																
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1962																
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1964																
1965	2	17	6	135*	652	59.27	3	1 st	84.0	10	308	26	11.84			Most Runs D.2
1966	2	15	3	67	278	23.16			63.0	9	256	24	10.66			
1967	1	19	3	83*	447	27.93			146.0	26	483	42	11.05			
1968	1	17	1	99	391	24.43			146.0	19	509	50	10.18		3 rd	
1969	1	17	2	70	398	26.54			94.0	22	309	20	15.45			
1970	1	17	1	73	500	31.25			203.0	46	718	39	18.41			
1971	2	16	3	103	689	53.00	1	1 st	116.0	25	303	32	9.47			Most Runs D.2
1972	2	16	1	109	449	29.93	1	4 th	201.0	52	567	50	11.34			
1973	2	14	4	95	445	44.50		1 st	138.0	24	416	28	14.86			
1974	2	15	0	83	351	23.40			90.0	10	315	33	9.54		3 rd	
1975	2	15	4	59	277	25.18			100.0	20	344	29	11.86			
1976	2	16	3	85	510	39.23		2 nd	121.0	30	359	35	10.25		3 rd	
1977	1	17	4	106	377	29.00	1		dnq							
1978	1	18	3	91*	631	42.06		4 th	173.0	29	583	33	17.66			
1979	1	18	6	114*	670	55.83	1	1 st	134.5	20	446	35	12.74		4 th	
1980	1	14	3	74*	499	45.36		4 th	107	20	405	22	18.41			
1981	1	15	1	65	286	20.43			dnq							
1982	1	18	3	79*	379	25.26			dnq							
1983	1	16	3	60*	334	25.69			127.4	17	529	30	17.63			
1984	1	21	2	79	547	28.79			145.1	19	555	39	14.23	1		BB = 9-50
1985	1	19	3	66	355	22.19			204.4	?	634	47	13.49			
1986	1	18	4	89	362	25.86			241.0	45	818	52	15.73			
1987	1	19	2	70	647	38.06			170.2	34	646	32	10.19			Most Runs D.1
1988	1	19	4	76	491	32.73			dnq							
1989	1	17	2	81	412	27.47			276.0	30	639	29	22.03			
1990	1	14	4	67	267	26.70			116.5	17	447	24	18.62			
1991	1	19	1	73	443	34.61			146.0	22	601	30	20.03			
1992	2	dnq							131.0	23	578	29	19.83			
1993	averages not submitted by Tadcaster															
Totals		494	83	135*	13072	31.81			3475.3	569	11768	810	14.53			

BATTING

500 Runs in a Season 8

Most Runs in a Season 689 ave. 53.00 Div.2 1971

Centuries 8

1959	120	v	York R.I.
1965	135*	v	Bolton Percy
	119*	v	Bolton Percy
	104*	v	Acomb
1971	103	v	Hovingham
1972	109	v	Sheriff Hutton
1977	106	v	Dringhouses
1979	114*	v	Easingwold

Highest Score 135* v Bolton Percy 1965

Leading Run Scorer in Division 4 1965 1971 1979 1987

Top of Batting Averages in Division 4 1965 1971 1973 1979

BOWLING

Average Runs per Over during recorded career = 3.39

Eight or more Wickets in a Match 1

1984 9 – 50 v Bedale Div.1

Fifty Wickets in a Season 3

Most Wickets in a Season 52 1986

Best Bowling 9 – 50 v Bedale Div.1 1984

Top of Bowling Averages 0

Leading Wicket Taker in Division 0

Number of times qualified for averages in League Handbook 54

Batting = 30 Bowling = 24