

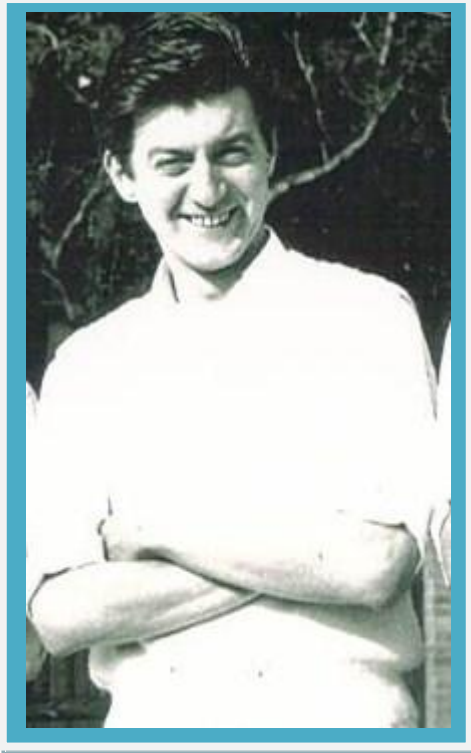
HALL OF FAME

PETER SMALES

DRINGHOUSES

(1956 – 1987)

Captain of U/16s & U/18s



Peter Smales made his debut for Dringhouses in 1956, the season before the club's first eleven became a member of the York & District Senior League. With a first team attack consisting of Roly Pattison, Don Paver and Laurie Thompson, Peter had little chance to make his mark in his club's first two years in the Y&DSCL. However when the club's second eleven joined the League in 1959, Peter grabbed the opportunity to shine and claimed 38 wickets in 1959 followed by 61 in 1960 at an average of 6.55, albeit in a bowler dominated division.

The addition of Tony Stilgoe and the emergence of the Burrows brothers and John Yorke destined Peter to second eleven cricket for a number of seasons. However his presence in the side was a major factor in his team's record breaking run of four successive seasons as Reserve Division champions from 1961-1964 in the days when first and second elevens were segregated into separate divisions. During this halcyon period, Peter's bowling average was in single figures in six out of seven seasons during which he came second in the divisional bowling averages on three occasions, whilst twice emerging as the leading wicket taker in the division. A period of fluctuating between the two sides then followed which saw him top the division three bowling averages in 1967 when his 27 wickets of a mere 81 overs came at a cost of 6.59 apiece.

After waiting in the wings for a number of seasons, Peter eventually became a regular first teamer and turned in some sterling performances over a period of 14 seasons during which he topped both the first and second division averages and taking 74 wickets in 1978 was the leading wicket taker in Division Two. Having also topped the averages in this profitable promotion season he then came second in the first division averages in 1979 when his 51 wickets at 10.67 having been denied top slot by a bowler who just qualified with 21 wickets off only 62 overs.

The early eighties saw him again flitting between the two sides before he grabbed a 47 wicket second team haul in 1984. This preceded a three year first team comeback that saw him claim 126 wickets in Division Two which proved to be a fitting swan song from a player who had given solid service to his club over more than thirty years.

PETER SMALES – Playing Record in York Senior League

(NOTE – details extracted from League Handbooks for qualifying years – details not available for non-qualifying years)

Year	Div	BATTING							BOWLING						
		In	N O	HS	Runs	Ave	100	Notes	Ov	M	Runs	W	Ave	5 w/l	Notes
1957															
1958															
1959	Res								125.0	24	272	33	8.24		
1960	Res								192.0	59	410	61	6.55		LWT
1961	Res								147.0	8	292	47	6.21		2 nd in aves
1962	R-A								124.0	42	276	38	7.26		3 rd in aves
1963	R-A								139.0	30	327	50	6.54		2 nd in aves/LWT
1964	R-A								133.0	22	384	30	12.80		
1965	R-A								186.0	31	398	52	7.65		2 nd in aves
1966	1 st								139.0	32	258	24	10.75		
1967	3 rd								81.0	24	178	27	6.59		Top of aves
1968	1 st								206.0	36	586	44	13.31		
1969	1 st								224.0	49	628	34	18.47		
1970	2 nd								169.0	44	416	30	13.88		
1971	2 nd								203.0	55	442	46	9.60		
1972	2 nd								181.0	44	403	34	11.85		
1973	2 nd								209.0	53	460	47	9.78		
1974	1 st								250.0	61	621	53	11.71		
1975	1 st								260.0	81	600	49	12.24		
1976	1 st								255.0	75	525	53	9.90		2 nd in aves
1977	1 st								311.0	102	696	52	13.28		
1978	2 nd								331.0	116	626	74	8.45		1 st in aves/LWT
1979	1 st								275.5	83	544	51	10.67		2 nd in aves
1980	1 st								218.0	62	532	35	15.20		
1981	1 st								224.3	66	564	32	17.62		
1982															
1983															
1984	4 th								238.1	67	532	47	11.31		
1985	2 nd								253.4	75	478	38	12.58		
1986	2 nd								292.1	103	684	47	14.55		
1987	2 nd								200.0	63	475	41	11.59		3 rd in aves
TOTAL									5567.2	1507	12607	1169	10.78		RPO = 2.26

Leading Divisional Batting Averages	-	
Leading Run Scorer in Division	-	
500 Runs in a Season	-	
1000 Runs in a Season	-	
Most Runs in a Season	-	
Centuries	-	
Highest Score	n/k	
Leading Divisional Bowling Averages	2	1967, 1978
Leading Divisional Wicket Taker	3	1960, 1963, 1978
50 Wickets in a Season	8	
Most Wickets in a Season	74	1978 in Div. 2
Eight Wickets in an Innings	3	
Best Bowling Figures	9-28	1977 v Woodhouse Gr. Div.1
Most catches in a season	n/k	
Most Wicket Keeper Victims in season	n/a	
Most Stumpings in a Season	n/a	
Number of times qualified for inclusion in averages in League Handbook	Batting	-
	Bowling	27
	Fielding	-
	W.K.	-
Individual Awards	-	

EIGHT WICKETS IN AN INNINGS (3)			
<u>Year</u>	<u>Perf.</u>	<u>Opponents</u>	<u>Div</u>
1963	8-38	Sessay	R-A
1974	8-42	Civil Service	1 st
1977	9-28	Woodhouse Grange	1st