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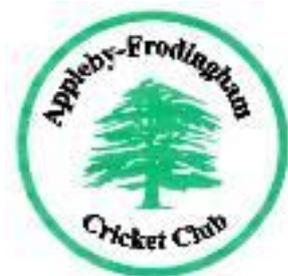
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Dennis Wadd



Dennis Wadd's marathon scoring career with Appleby Frodingham Cricket Club spanned 58 years, during which time he became a well-known and much-loved figure on the cricket grounds of Yorkshire and Lincolnshire. Patient and meticulous in the box, Dennis's dedication, good-humour and loyalty made him popular with scorers, umpires and players.

Dennis started scoring for Appleby Frodingham's first team in 1958 when he stood in for the regular scorer. He gradually officiated at more and more matches and, in 1962, he took over as the official first team scorer. Initially, Dennis scored for the club in its' Yorkshire Council years up to 1965, then between 1966 and 1993 in the Lincolnshire League, and finally 22 seasons in the Yorkshire League between 1994 and 2015. In addition to the first team matches, Dennis scored in Sunday friendlies, innumerable mid-week games, and for the third team in Sunday matches.

Dennis's scoring style was typified by his immaculate hand-writing, using coloured pencils to denote the balls bowled by different bowlers and faced by different batsmen, all with times of the start and end of innings and falls of wicket conscientiously noted. Thankfully, all his scorebooks are now preserved in the club's archive.

After 58 years of scoring, 54 as official first team scorer, Dennis retired from his position at the end of the 2015 season. At 80 years of age, the introduction of computerised scoring was a step too far – he has a passionate hatred of computers! In all, his friends and colleagues estimate that he has scored in an incredible 3,000 plus matches.

Since his retirement, he has been recognised by the Yorkshire Cricket Board and the Lincolnshire League, and the scoreboard at the club's ground at Brumby Hall has been named in his honour.

Dennis Wadd was inducted into the Yorkshire South Premier League Hall of Fame on 27th October 2017.