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Andy Harrison



Andy Harrison was an outstanding right-arm fast bowler and a hard-hitting middle order batsman who enjoyed much success in the Yorkshire League, Huddersfield League and South Yorkshire Senior League. He has also served his adopted club, Wickersley Old Village, both on the committee and as groundsman for many years. A fierce competitor on the field, Andy always liked to finish every match with a pint and a laugh with his contemporaries.

He started his career playing with his father Tony at Upper Haugh Cricket Club, where he won recognition for Yorkshire Schools in 1983, 1984 and 1985 at under 13,14 and 15 levels. In 1986, at the age of 16, he moved to Rotherham Town, making his Yorkshire League debut that same season. Apart from a very brief spell with Yorkshire Bank in the Bradford League in 1990, he stayed at Rotherham Town until 1992. In that last season he took over 60 wickets, forming a redoubtable opening partnership with Nick Cowan that led the club to the Yorkshire League championship. Then, in 1993, Andy moved to Lancelles Hall in the Huddersfield League, helping the club to the league title that year, and taking over 50 league wickets in both his seasons at the club.

Andy started his 23-season association with the Wickersley club in 1995, joining the club as captain and winning the South Yorkshire championship in that first season. A further six South Yorkshire league championships followed in the next ten seasons, during which time Andy also captained his side to three Whitworth Cup and two Yorkshire Council Championship successes.

During his career, Andy has played many games with his brother, Richard, and has introduced his two sons to the game – both of whom are now playing at Wickersley. He has remained on the Wickersley committee since his captaincy days, also taking over as groundsman from father Tony, winning the Groundsman of the Year award in the inaugural season of the Yorkshire South Premier League in 2016.

Andy played an important part in the negotiations leading to the formation of the Yorkshire South Premier League, and was asked to join the newly-formed League committee in 2015, to which he has since contributed enormously with his experience, knowledge and common sense.

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