**EARLIEST DATES INVOLVING CLUBS NOW FORMING**

**THE NIDDERDALE AMATEUR CRICKET LEAGUE**

The dates given here have been obtained by searching various newspapers, mostly from the 19th century. These do not, and are not intended to, indicate when a club was formed as such, only that there is a reference to persons from a village or area taking part in some form of organised cricket, or that some sort of “cricket ground” had been established, to the extent that it was referred to as such in the press. It is not meant to be a definitive list and I would welcome evidence to the contrary.

Unfortunately there are two clubs - Little Ribston & Galphay & Winksley - that I have not been able to find any information about.

**Club Date** Opponents & source

Ouseburn 1788 (4 of Ouseburn beat 8 of Shipton & Overton at Beningborough Ings.  *Leeds Intelligencer* 8 July 1788

Burton Leonard 1796 v Knaresborough. A 9 a-side game took place on Rigg Moor for £20.00. Burton Leonard won by 7 wkts. *Leeds Intelligencer* 14 November 1796

Knaresborough (Forest) 1796 v Burton Leonard. A 9 a-side game took place on Rigg Moor for £20.00. Burton Leonard won by 7 wkts. *Leeds Intelligencer* 14 November 1796. Also a team called Calcutt reported in press of 1901 and in 1922 the 2nd AGM of the Knaresborough Calcutt Cricket Club held at the Union Hotel Calcutt was reported. Did they become KFCC?

Ripon 1810 v Kirkby Fleethan & Scruton at Kirklington *Leeds Intelligencer* 11 October 1810

Alne 1810 v Linton upon Ouse at Flatwith Longlands. *Leeds Mercury* 1 Dec 1810

Kirkby Malzeard 1811 v Ripon *Leeds Mercury* 21 September 1811

Crakehall 1813 v Ripon on Crakehall Green "*Correct Account of all Cricket Matches played by Ripon 1813-1836"* Compiled & published by G Gatenby 1837

North Stainley 1813 Stainley (?) & Mickley v Ripon *(AW)*

Markington 1814 with Wycliff, Thorpe & Fountains v Boroughbridge *York Herald* 8 Oct 1814

Boroughbridge 1814 v Hammerton *Leeds Intelligencer* 23 August 1814

Scotton 1815 with Scriven, Brearton and Staveley v Knaresborough. *York Herald* 10 June 1815

Staveley 1815 with Scriven, Brearton and Scotton v Knaresborough. *York Herald* 10 June 1815

Bishop Monkton 1816 with Bishop Thornton v Knaresborough *York Herald* 9 Nov 1816

Bishop Thornton 1816 with Bishop Monkton v Knaresborough *York Herald* 9 Nov 1816

Thirsk 1830 Proposed matches against Yarm reported. *York Herald* 8 May 1830

Bedale 1830 v Ripon *York Herald* 26 June 1830

Spennithorne and Harmby 1836 with Constable Burton & Fingall v Hawkswell & Barden Moor *York Herald*

18 Sept 1836

Marton cum Grafton 1837 v Ripon 3 a-side match *Yorkshire Gazette* 17 June 1837

Dacre Banks 1838 v Hampsthwaite (Victoria) *Leeds Times* 4 August 1838

Hampsthwaite (Victoria) 1838 v Dacre Banks (Pasture Club) *Leeds Times* 4 August 1838

Harrogate 1841 Report of single wicket match on the Harrogate Cricket Ground between Brown of Pannal Ash v Kettlewell (the celebrated Burn Bridge Blacksmith) *York Herald* 5 June 1841

Northallerton 1841 Northallerton Junior Club referred to in *York Herald* 17 August 1841

Pateley Bridge 1841 v Kirkby Malzeard *York Herald 6 Nov 1847*

Goldsborough 1842 v Great Ouseburn *York Herald July 23 1842*

Masham (Swinton Park) 1842 v Bedale Royal Victoria at Thornton Watlass Green *York Herald* 25 June 1842

Sessay 1843 v Carlton (2 a-side match) *York Herald 4 Feb 1843*

West Tanfield 1844 v North Stainley *Yorkshire Gazette* 24 August 1844

Ripley 1846 Match played on the Ripley Cricket ground between Messrs J. Simpson and H Sharpe, against Messrs W Northorpe and S Broadbelt, Jun, four crack players belonging to the Ripley Old Club, which was won by the two former. *York Herald* 25 July 1846

Helperby 1848 with Braffeton v Boroughbridge *York Herald 7 Oct 1848*

Thornton Watlass 1848 5 of Thornton Watlass v 3 of Burrill. *York Herald* 15 Jan 1848

Spofforth 1853 v Collingham. *York Herald* 30 April 1853

Wath and Melmerby 1859 Wath (only) v Ripon 13 Aug 1859

Killinghall 1862 v Ripley *Yorkshire Gazette* 12 July 1862

Baldersby 1862 v Sessay at Baldersby Park *York Herald* 26 July 1862

Birstwith 1863 v Ripley at Ripley *York Herald* 5 Sept 1863

Arthington 1864 Correspondence held by Sheepshank's family of Arthington Hall

Burnt Yates 1864 v Bishop Thornton *Leeds Mercury* 2 September 1864

Thornton-le-Moor 1865 v Northalleton Amateurs York *Herald* 2 June 1855

Bolton Abbey 1873 The Bolton Abbey Cricket Club advertise for fixtures in newspaper. *The Bradford Observer* 22 May 1873

Studley Royal 1874 v Wetherby & District *Ripon Gazette* 30 July 1874

Middleham 1875 v Maunby Hall. *York Herald* 11 May 1875

Sharow 1876 v Ripon Grumblers. *York Herald* 22 April 1876

Newton-le-Willows 1877 v East Witton. *York Herald* 13 June 1877

Rainton 1877 v Langthorpe *York Herald* 1 Sept. 1877

Newby Hall 1878 v Burton Leonard *PBNH* 20 July 1878

Darley 1886 v Burnt Yates *PBNH* 28 August 1886

Glasshouses 1886 v Pateley Bridge *PBNH 1 May 1886* (Earlier known as High Plain Wasps Nest who played Pateley Bridge in July 1875)

Pannal 1886 v Pannal College. *PBNH 22 May 1886*

Raskelf 1887 v Shipton *York Herald 30 May 1887*

Blubberhouses 1894 v Kettlesing *PBNH 18 July 1894*

Pannal Ash 1901 shown as having fixture v Kettlesing *HA 6 April 1901*

Lofthouse & Middlesmoor 1924 v Bilton *PBNH 10 May 1924*

Galphay & Winksley ?

Little Ribston ?

PBNH – Pateley Bridge & Nidderdale Herald

HA – Harrogate Advertiser