

THE YORKSHIRE AMATEUR ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE

LEAGUE HISTORY AND STATISTICS

HOW IT ALL BEGAN

League became affiliated in season 1928/29 with one single division consisting of just 12 teams as **The West Riding County Old Boys League**.

Since then we have undergone 2 league name changes to **The Yorkshire Old Boys League** in the 1950's, until season 2011/12, when the current name **The Yorkshire Amateur League** was adopted.

Season 2017/18 sees the League celebrate its 90th season.

The name “**Old Boys**” was used as, initially, all clubs were formed from Old Boys Associations (players from High Schools) primarily ex-pupils of those schools. There are 4 founder members who remain to this day, namely, **Old Centralians, Old Collegians, St. Bedes and Old Modernians**.

From such small beginnings, the league has grown to be one of the largest amateur football leagues in the country. The league was an immediate success and a reserve division was formed in 1936, and ten years later the league had expanded to incorporate 4 divisions. This was due to the introduction of 3rd teams from existing clubs, plus acceptance of others from reputable sources (Banks, Colleges & Local Government Offices. **The League in Season 2017-18 comprises 53 clubs and 87 teams across 7 divisions** whilst still maintaining the exacting standards of organisation and administration, coupled with a tradition of fair play and sportsmanship

CLUBS

Many clubs have come and gone in the league's history, 2 of the most successful being Barnsley Grammar School O.B. in the 1960's and Leeds side Trinity & All Saints College in the 1980's. Barnsley's 15 years in league competition brought an impressive 4 first team cup wins, 4 consecutive promotions and 8 championships in a row from 1967 to 1974. The students of Trinity College achieved 6 consecutive Senior 'A' titles, were league & cup 'double' winners 3 times and league runners up 3 times.

By total contrast a Huddersfield based side, Ariens, were present for 21 seasons were relegated 5 times and never received any silverware whatsoever.

Founder members Old Cockburnians (who folded in 1994) remain the most successful side in the League's history having had 10 first team cup victories and were League Champions on 10 occasions.

Yorkshire Bank Reserves achieved most 2nd team wins, cup and league, and hold the distinction of being the first reserve side from our league to lift the Leeds & District Cup. The most successful 3rd team ever regarding cup & league wins are Almondburians.

ORIGINS OF THE TROPHIES

Many of our trophies are named after persons who have given the league distinguished service over the years.

The top divisional prize the Senior 'A' Championship is entitled The Peter Cookson Trophy in memory of his dedicated involvement of a grand total of 50 seasons as a player, referee and League Official in the Yorkshire Old Boys League.

The League has three knockout cups that all teams compete in all similarly named in recognition of individuals who had managed some tremendous work for their clubs and the league.

Formerly known as The Old Boys Cup, first teams compete for the Terry Marflitt Trophy re-named in 1990 to honour his service of over 40 seasons with Old Centralians and the league.

Reserve sides compete for The Hancock Cup, originally known as The White Trophy, in remembrance of long serving league member and Old Collegian David Hancock.

3rd and 4th teams compete for The Hodgson Cup, previously The Barr Cup, so named recognising the service to the league and arduous work put in by Laurie Hodgson for many seasons with Old Cockburnians

THE YORKSHIRE OLD BOYS SHIELD

The Shield is a knockout competition commenced in the 1950's. This invitation trophy brought together clubs within leagues of a similar standard around the old Yorkshire boundaries. Our league has had quite a few different clubs lifting the trophy but the most successful club of the last 20 years have been Hull-based side Malet Lambert Youth Centre F.C.

Season 2016/17 so one of clubs from outside of the League lift the trophy namely St Mary's Yarm

LEAGUE FACTS AND STATISTICS

THE SEASONS

In the league's infancy the seasons were naturally short, by comparison to those of today, starting in October and ending earlier the following year.

There have been 2 incomplete seasons. These occurred in 1965/66 & 1978/79, when due to extremely bad winters (teams at times not playing at all for 8 weeks) it was impossible to play all the league fixtures. Therefore, end of season tables were decided on a "percentage" basis by assessing points gained to games played for all teams.

SHARED CUPS

On 5 separate occasions, cups have been "shared" by the 2 competing finalists. Years ago, no rules existed for penalty shoot-outs, or similar, so, following 3 drawn games in the final, the season closed and the teams held the cup for half a season each.

OTHER INTERSTING FACTS

Having researched the 'record books' concerning results, the most remarkable in history of the League include

Highest aggregate score – Division 4, Old Batelians III 20 v Shadwell O.B III 4, season, 2010/11

Highest scoring draw – Division 2, Old Cockburnians 9 v Old Rastrickians 9, season 1955/56.

Highest ever margin of victory. occurred in a 1992/93 1st team cup fixture when Senior Division. 'A' side, Trinity & A.S College, defeated t Division 4 club Woodkirk O.B. by 21 goals to 0.

ACHIEVEMENTS BY CLUBS

There have been many individual club's achievements, in addition to the previously mentioned successes of Barnsley, TASC & Cockburnians

Leeds Medics & Dentists can boast to be the only club ever to, have won all 3 of our 'domestic' knockout cups in the same season, (season 2006-07) and 2 years later, again all cup winners with the reserves & 3rds 'domestic' cup winners whilst 1st team were League Champions.

However, the 2 greatest ever club achievements in one single season are held by the first team sides of clubs Alwoodley F.C. and Stanningley Old Boys.

Alwoodley in 2009/10, in their 1st season in the top flight, won the Senior 'A' title and became the first ever Yorkshire Old Boys side to win the prestigious Leeds & District F.A. Senior Challenge Cup.

Stanningley O.B. created further league history in 2011-12 when they won all the major 1st team cups available in one single season., namely Terry Marlitt Trophy and The Yorkshire Old Boys Shield were followed by ending the year as Senior Division 'A' Champions.

LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL

The League has competed in fixtures against other leagues' representative sides.

JERRY HILDERSLEY TROPHY v Amateur Football Combination

Our first recorded, such game, was way back in 1958 when we accepted an invitation to play against the London Old Boys League (now known as the Amateur Football Combination) Representative side. A return game the following season in the north was an enormous success and is now an established annual fixture the complete record in this fixture being:

Our visit to London this year saw us bring back the Jerry Hildersley Trophy in emphatic style defeating our foes from London 8-1, our young team were in devastating form and recorded a memorable victory under the management team of Steve .Ledger and Tony Lewis.

PLAYED WON DRAWN LOST FOR AGAINST
.....58.....17.....14.....27 90 111

ERNIE FAIRCLOUGH MEMORIAL TROPHY v York Minister Engineering League

A fixture that has been on and off for a few years and re-kindled in 2010/11. The record since that date is

PLAYED WON DRAWN LOST FOR AGAINST
.....5.....2.....0.....3 .. 7 11

Another triumph for the Representative side reclaiming the trophy with goal to nil victory in December 2016.

THE FA INTER-LEAGUE CUP

In 2009, we entered a national knockout competition in which we compete against other leagues from around the country. The competition is played on two-year cycle

Season	Rep X1 Managers	Round	H/A	Opponents	Result
2009/10	Mark Reid	1	A	Cumberland County League	Won 5-4
		2	A	Cheshire League	Won 3-1
		3	A	West Riding County Amateur League	Won 3-0
		4	A	West Cheshire League	Won 3-2
		S/F	A	Liverpool County Premier League	Lost 2-3
2011-12	Martin Haresign	1	A	Northern Football Alliance	Won 2-1
		2	A	The Isle of Man League	Lost 3-4
2013-14	Mark Reid	E.Prel	A	Northampton Combination	Won 1-0
		1	A	Bedfordshire League	Won 7-1
		2	H	The Isle of Man League	Lost 2-3 (ET)
2015-16	Mark Reid Barry and Adam Thirsk	Prel	A	York Football League	Won 2-1
		1	A	West Yorkshire Amateur League	Lost 1-4

MOST APPEARANCES AT REPRESENTATIVE LEVEL Up to May 2016

Total	Player	Club/Clubs
28	Steve Tierney	Stanningley OB
24	David Ashmore	Leeds Medics & Dentists
20	Tom Marston	Trinity & ACSOB and Bainbridge
20	James Parkinson	Ealandians
18	Matthew Jackson	Gildersome Spurs OB
16	Graham Shaw	Alwoodley
14	James Greenwood	Ealandians
13	Sam Hinchcliffe	Leeds Medics & Dentists
	James Abram	Old Centralians
	Steve Tennant	Yorkshire Bank
12	Matthew Lloyd	Leeds Medics & Dentists
	Matthew Ireland	Old Centralians
	Tim Bridge	St Nicholas

IN CONCLUSION

We continue to be successful as a league to this day and it is difficult to imagine that from such humble beginnings in 1928 we would become a league of so many clubs, standards admired and envied by many others as one of the best and well organised leagues all these years later.

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LEAGUE OFFICERS SINCE 1990

PRESIDENT	P. COOKSON	1990	TO	1991	
	J. DOLAMORE	1991	TO	1993	
	B. PERKS	1993	TO	1994	
	A. GREEN	1994	TO	1996	
	B. PEEL	1996	TO	1998	
	D. CROFT	1998	TO	2000	
	N. SHEARD	2000	TO	2002	
	N. BUTT	2002	TO	2004	
	J. WOOD	2004	TO	2006	
	S. LEDGER	2006	TO	2008	
	S. WADE	2008	TO	2012	
	S. LEDGER	2012	TO	2016	
	G. LOVELACE	2016	TO	Present	
	CHAIRMAN	J. DOLAMORE	1990	TO	2002
		B. PEEL	2002	TO	2007
M.A. GAUNT		2007	TO	2016	
A. LEWIS		2016	TO	Present	
GENERAL SECRETARY	D. CROFT	1990	TO	1998	
	J. LEDGER	1998	TO	2000	
	J. McAULAY	2000	TO	2001	
	A.F. CONNOLLY	2001	TO	2003	
	B. PEEL	2003	TO	2008	
	R. COLLIER	2008	TO	2015	
	K. O'DONNELL	2015	TO	2015	
	R. ASHER	2016	TO	Present	
FIXTURE SECRETARY	S.P. COOKSON	1990	TO	2008	
	M.D. SMITH	2008	TO	Present	
TREASURER	N. BUTT	1990	TO	2013	
	A. LEWIS	2013	TO	2016	
	S. POLLARD	2016	TO	Present	
REFEREES APPOINTMENTS SECRETARY	A. HAYES	1990	TO	1993	

D. COOPER	1993	TO	1995
P. COOKSON	1995	TO	1999
P. LIMBERT	1999	TO	2003
D.A. NUTTALL	2003	TO	2008
D. HARGREAVES	2008	TO	2010
A. LEWIS	2010	TO	2013
R. ASHER	2013	TO	2016
R. BYRNE	2016	TO	Present

REGISTRATION SECRETARY

P. COOKSON	1990	TO	1999
J.D. HOLROYD	1999	TO	2006
B. PEEL	2006	TO	2008
B. WHELAN	2008	TO	2009
R. COLLIER	2009	TO	2013
J. WEBB	2013	TO	2014
R. COLLIER	2014	TO	2015
Position Vacant	2015	TO	2016
K. O'DONNELL	2016	TO	Present

PREVIOUS CUP WINNERS SINCE 1990

TERRY MARFLITT TROPHY (Previously Old Boys Cup 1928-1990)

1990-91	St Bedes OB	2010-11	Alwoodley OB
1991-92	Matthew Murray FP	2011-12	Stanningley OB
1992-93	Yorkshire Bank	2012-13	Ealandians
1993-94	Roundhegians	2013-14	Grangefield OB
1994-95	Wakefield City	2014-15	Grangefield OB
1995-96	Wakefield City	2015-16	Farsley Celtic Juniors
1996-97	Leeds University Union	2016-17	Farnley Sports
1997-98	Almondburians		
1998-99	Leeds University Union		
1999-00	Wakefield City		
2000-01	Old Modernians		
2001-02	Almondburians		
2002-03	Leeds University Union		
2003-04	St. Nicholas		
2004-05	Leeds Medics & Dentists		
2005-06	Heckmondwike GSOB		
2006-07	Leeds Medics & Dentists		
2007-08	Gildersome Spurs OB		
2008-09	Gildersome Spurs OB		
2009-10	Ealandians		

HANCOCK CUP (Previously White Trophy 1938-1985)

1990-91	Yorkshire Bank Res	2010-11	Old Modernians Res
1991-92	Wakefield City Res	2011-12	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res
1992-93	Almondburians Res	2012-13	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res
1993-94	Yorkshire Bank Res	2013-14	Grangefield OB Res
1994-95	Matthew Murray Res	2014-15	Grangefield OB Res
1995-96	Ealandians Res	2015-16	Stanningley OB Res
1996-97	Matthew Murray Res	2016-17	East Ardsley Wanderers
1997-98	Yorkshire Bank Res		
1998-99	Yorkshire Bank Res		
1999-00	Old Modernians Res		
2000-01	Old Modernians Res		
2001-02	Yorkshire Bank Res		
2002-03	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res		
2003-04	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res		
2004-05	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res		
2005-06	Wortley Res		
2006-07	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res		
2007-08	Old Batelians Res		
2008-09	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res		
2009-10	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res		

HODGSON CUP (Previously Barr Cup 1956-1990)

1990-91	St Bedes OB III	2010-11	Leeds Medics & Dentists III
1991-92	Ealandians III	2011-12	Gildersome Spurs OB III
1992-93	Ealandians III	2012-13	Old Modernians III
1993-94	Old Modernians III	2013-14	Leeds Medics & Dentists III
1994-95	Yorkshire Bank III	2014-15	Thornesians III
1995-96	Leeds Medics & Dentists III	2015-16	Morley Town III
1996-97	Leeds Medics & Dentists III	2016-17	Norristhorpe Res
1997-98	Old Centralians III		
1998-99	Almondburians III		
1999-00	Wakefield City IV		
2000-01	Yorkshire Bank IV		
2001-02	Roundhegians III		
2002-03	St Bedes OB III		
2003-04	Leeds Medics & Dentists III		
2004-05	Old Modernians III		
2005-06	Old Centralians III		
2006-07	Leeds Medics & Dentists IV		
2007-08	Leeds City OB III		
2008-09	Leeds Medics & Dentists III		
2009-10	Leeds Medics & Dentists III		

SUPPLEMENTARY CUP

2011-12	Farsley Celtic Juniors	2014-15	Horsforth St Margaret's
2012-13	Wheelwright OB	2015-16	No Competition
2013-14	No Competition	2016-17	Collegians

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1990-91	Hull Old Grammarians	2010-11	Alwoodley
1991-92	Malet Lambert YC	2011-12	Stanningley OB
1992-93	Malet Lambert YC	2012-13	Ealandians
1993-94	Cottingham Sports Club	2013-14	Gildersome Spurs OB
1994-95	Cottingham Sports Club	2014-15	Ealandians
1995-96	Haltemprice	2015-16	Alwoodley
1996-97	Old Modernians	2016-17	St Marys Yarm
1997-98	St Mary's College		
1998-99	Malet Lambert YC		
1999-00	Yorkshire Bank		
2000-01	Old Modernians		
2001-02	Roundhegians		
2002-03	Roundhegians		
2003-04	Roundhegians		
2004-05	Discount Carpets		
2005-06	Malet Lambert YC		
2006-07	FC Headingley		
2007-08	Bramley OB		
2008-09	Gildersome Spurs OB		
2009-10	Ealandians		

PREVIOUS DIVISIONAL WINNERS SINCE 1990

Premier Division (Senior A up to 2013-14)

1990-91	Old Modernians	2010-11	Stanningley OB
1991-92	Matthew Murray FP	2011-12	Stanningley OB
1992-93	Matthew Murray FP	2012-13	Gildersome Spurs OB
1993-94	Wakefield City	2013-14	Gildersome Spurs OB
1994-95	Wakefield City	2014-15	Ealandians
1995-96	Wakefield City	2015-16	Farsley Celtic Juniors
1996-97	Leeds University Union	2016-17	Farsley Celtic Juniors
1997-98	Ealandians		
1998-99	Leeds University Union		
1999-00	Yorkshire Bank		
2000-01	Adel FC		
2001-02	Roundhegians		
2002-03	Old Centralians		
2003-04	Roundhegians		
2004-05	Leeds Medics & Dentists		
2005-06	Yorkshire Bank		
2006-07	Yorkshire Bank		
2007-08	Ealandians		
2008-09	Leeds Medics & Dentists		
2009-10	Alwoodley OB		

Championship (Senior B up to 2013-14)

1990-91	St Bedes OB	2010-11	Bainbridge
1991-92	Old Thornesians	2011-12	North East Leeds
1992-93	Almondburians	2012-13	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res
1993-94	Old Centralians	2013-14	Farsley Celtic Juniors
1994-95	Roundhegians	2014-15	Farnley Sports
1995-96	Ealandians	2015-16	St Nicholas
1996-97	Matthew Murray FP Res	2016-17	Drighlington FC
1997-98	Matthew Murray FP Res		
1998-99	Matthew Murray FP Res		
1999-00	Colton Academicals		
2000-01	Abbey Grange OB		
2001-02	Yorkshire Bank Res		
2002-03	Old Collegians		
2003-04	Stanningley OB		
2004-05	St Nicholas		
2005-06	Huddersfield Amateur		
2006-07	Old Centralians		
2007-08	Bramley Juniors OB		
2008-09	Gildersome Spurs OB		
2009-10	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res		

Division One

1990-91	Ealandians Res	2010-11	Grangefield OB
1991-92	Matthew Murray FP Res	2011-12	Stanningley OB Res
1992-93	Hartshead Moor	2012-13	Farsley Celtic Juniors
1993-94	Sandal Wanderers	2013-14	Morley Town AFC
1994-95	Abbey Grange OB	2014-15	St Nicholas
1995-96	St Bedes OB	2015-16	Drighlington FC
1996-97	Leeds Academicals Res	2016-17	Gildersome Spurs OB
1997-98	Trinity A.S.OB		
1998-99	Hunslet OB		
1999-00	East Ardsley Wanderers		
2000-01	Wheelwright OB		
2001-02	Stanningley OB		
2002-03	Griffordians		
2003-04	Old Headingley		
2004-05	Heckmondwike GSOB		
2005-06	Wortley		
2006-07	Sandal Athletic		
2007-08	Alwoodley OB		
2008-09	Wheelwright OB		
2009-10	Wortley Res		

Division Two

1990-91	Academicals Res	2010-11	North East Leeds
1991-92	Hartshead Moor	2011-12	Farnley Sports
1992-93	Sandal Wanderers	2012-13	Morley Town AFC
1993-94	Lloyds Bank	2013-14	Almondburians
1994-95	Heckmondwike GSOB	2014-15	Wortley FC
1995-96	Agnes Stewart OB	2015-16	Gildersome Spurs OB
1996-97	Roundhegians Res	2016-17	Idle FC
1997-98	Hunslet OB		
1998-99	Almondburians III		
1999-00	Western Juniors OB		
2000-01	Old Rovers		
2001-02	St Bedes OB Res		
2002-03	St Nicholas		
2003-04	Bramley Juniors OB		
2004-05	Wortley		
2005-06	Alwoodley OB		
2006-07	Gildersome Spurs OB		
2007-08	Wheelwright OB		
2008-09	Amaranth OB		
2009-10	Grangefield OB		

Division Three

1990-91	Old Modernians IV	2010-11	St Bedes OB
1991-92	Sandal Wanderers	2011-12	Old Modernians Res
1992-93	Leeds Medics & Dentists Res	2012-13	Beeston OB Res
1993-94	St Williams OB	2013-14	Wheelwright
1994-95	Sandal Wanderers Res	2014-15	Farsley Celtic Juniors Res
1995-96	Roundhegians Res	2015-16	Horsforth St Margaret's
1996-97	Leeds Medics & Dentists III	2016-17	East Ardsley Wanderers
1997-98	Ealandians III		
1998-99	Leeds Independent		
1999-00	Wakefield City IV		
2000-01	Yorkshire Bank IV		
2001-02	Leeds Medics & Dentists IV		
2002-03	Yorkshire Bank IV		
2003-04	Wortley		
2004-05	Griffordians Res		
2005-06	Wortley Res		
2006-07	East Leeds Trinity OB		
2007-08	Ealandians Res		
2008-09	Grangefield OB		
2009-10	Wortley III		

Division Four

1990-91	Rhodesway OB	2010-11	Colton FC III
1991-92	Leeds Medics & Dentists III	2011-12	Beeston OB Res
1992-93	Abbey Grange OB Res	2012-13	Almondburians Res
1993-94	Sandal Wanderers Res	2013-14	Churwell Lions
1994-95	Roundhegians Res	2014-15	Horsforth St Margaret's
1995-96	Wheelwright OB III	2015-16	Amaranth Res
1996-97	Hunslet OB	2016-17	Morley Town AFC III
1997-98	Heckmondwike GSOB Res		
1998-99	Wakefield City IV		
1999-00	Wheelwright OB III		
2000-01	St Bedes OB IV		
2001-02	Colton Academics IV		
2002-03	St Bedes OB III		
2003-04	Old Modernians VI		
2004-05	Huddersfield Amateur III		
2005-06	Shire Academics		
2006-07	Old Collegians Res		
2007-08	Alwoodley OB Res		
2008-09	Colton Academics III		
2009-10	Bramley Juniors OB III		

Division Five

2005-06	East Leeds Trinity OB
2006-07	Bramley Juniors OB Res
2007-08	Grangefield OB Res
2008-09	Ealandians III
2009-10	Leeds City OB Res
2010-11	Beeston OB Res
2011-12	Wheelwright OB
2012-13	Middleton Park Res
2013-14	Leeds City OB Res
2014-15	Horsforth St Margaret's Res
2015-16	Huddersfield Amateur
2016-17	Garforth Crusaders

Division Six

2014-15	Amaranth Res
2015-16	Morley Town AFC III
2016-17	Morley Utd

GOLDEN BOOTS

The decision to award trophies in recognition of the achievements for goal scoring within the league was introduced in 2009-10 season and began with our Senior A Division, this was well received by the clubs and further awards were introduced in following season for another 3 divisions and as the years have gone by and our League has expanded we now award trophies for all our eight divisions.

Premier Division (Senior A up to 2013-14)

2016-17	Danny Lyons	Farsley Celtic Juniors
2015-16	Danny Lyons	Farsley Celtic Juniors
2014-15	Brad Chambers	Leeds Medics & Dentists
2013-14	Matthew Jackson	Gildersome Spurs OB
2012-13	Steve Wales	Gildersome Spurs OB
2011-12	Graham Shaw	Alwoodley
2010-11	Graham Shaw	Alwoodley
2009-10	Graham Shaw	Alwoodley

Championship (Senior B up to 2013-14)

2016-17	<i>Joint</i>	Joe Hudson	Wortley
		Jordan Talbot	Mount St Mary's
2015-16	<i>Joint</i>	Ryan Dawson	Beeston Juniors
		Alex Cookson	Shire Academics
2014-15	<i>Joint</i>	Adam Butterworth	Farnley Sports
		Luke Playford	Rodillian
2013-14		Danny Lyons	Wigton Moor
2012-13		Rob Boardman	Old Batelians
2011-12		Nicky Seed	North Leeds
2010-11		Brad Chambers	Leeds Medics & Dentists

Division 1

2016-17	Mike Hall	Gildersome Spurs OB
2015-16	Shane Sowden	Drighlington
2014-15	Tom Hart	Sandal Wanderers
2013-14	Ollie Bartholomew	Sandal Wanderers
2012-13	Tim Smith	Farnley Sports
2011-12	Craig Harris	Stanningley OB Res
2010-11	Nathan Poskett	Sandal Wanderers

Division 2

2016-17		Aaron Irving	Idle FC
		Tom Hart	Sandal Wanderers
2015-16	<i>Joint</i>	Steven Wells	Farsley Celtic Juniors Res
		Jonny Beverley	Wheelwright
2014-15	<i>Joint</i>	Phil Bryant	Old Batelians Res
		Dean Parker	Huddersfield Amateurs Res
2013-14		Fergus Machin	Leeds Medics & Dentists IV
2012-13		Tom Hart	Sandal Wanderers
2011-12		Shane Gaunt	Farnley Sports

Division 3

2016-17		Hugo Sach	Leeds Modernians
2015-16		Jake Williams	Horsforth St Margaret's
2014-15		Dave Allanson	Old Centralians Res
		Phil Bryant	Old Batelians Res
2013-14	<i>Joint</i>	Darren Fothergill	Wheelwright
		Phil Bryant	Old Batelians Res
2012-13		Gary Lumb	Almondburians
2011-12			

Division 4

2016-17		Phil Woofitt	Colton Athletic Res
2015-16		Alistair Lewis	Leeds City OB Res
2014-15		Daniel Smart	Horsforth St Margaret's Res
2013-14		Ashley Oates	Churwell Lions
2012-13		Paul McCabe	Almondburians Res

Division 5

2016-17		Rueben Young	Leeds City OB III
2015-16		Lee Marshall	Huddersfield Amateurs
2014-15	<i>Joint</i>	Mark Ferguson	Leeds City OB Res
		Sean Wheatley	Shire Academics Res
2013-14		Matthew Nixon	Leeds City OB Res
2012-13		Scott Mollett	Ealandians III

Division 6

2016-17		Tom Snowden	Morley Utd
2015-16		Jason Helm	Morley Town III
2014-15		Jordan Tate	Middleton Park III

THE THORNTON TROPHY

The Thornton Trophy has been in existence since 1960 and there are now generations of players with clubs in our league who do not know what the Trophy represents or whose memory it perpetuates.

Eric Thornton died at the age of 42 in February 1960. He played his last game for Old Collegians in December 1959, and then spent the last month of his life in hospital. For over twenty years he had played for Collegians, nearly always in the first team when the club was one of the strongest in the League. He was a player of notable talent and, in fact, had resisted the lure of professional football with 'Town' when he was younger. He played for the Old Boys' Representative team for several years. But to everyone who knew him (and that meant almost every first-team player in the League between 1938 and 1960) he represented the ideal amateur club player. He regularly travelled twenty miles for home games, was always to be relied on to play, he was entirely selfless when his club asked for his services. He was a pleasant companion off the field, a perfect gentleman on the field, never losing his temper or control and he committed only the minor infringements. He was well-liked and respected throughout the League; veteran opponents always asked about him when playing Collegian teams. This, then, was Eric Thornton. On his death, his club asked that they might present a Trophy to the League to be presented to a player who had given outstanding service to his club and the League.

Below is a list of winners of this award:

1960-61	C.Morris	Wheelwright GSOB	1990- 91	C.Geiling	St Bedes OB
1961-62	D. Chambers	Wheelwright GSOB	1991- 92	NO AWARD	
1962-63	W.V Brewster		1992- 93	B. Hirst	Wheelwright OB
1963-64	H. Clough	Old Collegians	1993- 94	J. Wood	Old Centralians
1964-65	J.P Atkin	Academicals	1994- 95	G. Riley	Almondburians
1965-66	D.Cartlidge	Old Modernians	1995- 96	A. Coffey	Matthew Murray
1966-67	T.W Barnfield	Old Centralians	1996- 97	M. Kelsey	Wheelwright OB
1967-68	G.H Smith & T.Marflitt	Old Modernians & Old Centralians	1997- 98	A. Lowe	Trinity ASOB
1968-69	G. Lakin	Belle Vue OB	1998- 99	L. Lawson	Ealandians
1969-70	C.Graham	Old Almondburians	1999- 00	D. Brown	St Bedes OB
1970-71	W.E Robinson	Old Hansonians	2000- 01	G. Lovelace	Old Modernians
1971-72	H.G Prince	Old Modernians	2001- 02	M. Hodgson	Wheelwright OB
1972-73	G.P Howden	Old Modernians	2002- 03	A. Carpenter	Roundhegians
1973-74	G.A Wilson	Belle Vue OB	2003- 04	B. Peel	Old Centralians
1974-75	R. Womack	Old Thornesians	2004- 05	M.A Gaunt	Old Collegians
1975-76	R.Robson & B.Twohig	Academicals & County Hall	2005- 06	R. Fraser	Yorkshire Bank
1976-77	L. McCall	Old Cockburnians	2006- 07	G.P.Gaunt	Old Centralians
1977-78	K. Knowles	Old Centralians	2007- 08	S. Brown	Old Modernians
1978-79	NO AWARD		2008- 09	S, Tennant	Yorkshire Bank

1979-80	F.S Goodall	Wheelwright GSOB	2009- 10	N. Sheard	YOB Shield Service
1980-81	C.Handforth MBE	Old Thornesians	2010- 11	N. Butt	YOBL Service
1981-82	A. Barlow	County Hall	2011- 12	D. Ashmore	Leeds Medics & Dentists
1982-83	B. Peel	Old Centralians	2012- 13	M. Harrison	St Bedes
1983-84	P. Challenor	Old Modernians	2013- 14	NO AWARD	
1984-85	G. Richardson	Old Almondburians	2014- 15	J. Parkinson	Ealandians
1985-86	C.Lloyd	Old Collegians	2015- 16	G. Shaw	Alwoodley FC
1986-87	M. Wilkinson	Old Thornesians	2016- 17	Stevenson	Colton Athletic
1987-88	A. Green	Wheelwright OB			
1988-89	B. Perks	Ealandians			
1989-90	B. Lansdale	Wheelwright OB			

THE SHAUN TURNER TROPHY

Shaun Turner died on 6th November 2000, the day after celebrating his 26th birthday. He had been the player manager of Trinity and All Saints College Old Boys for the previous three seasons. When he took over the club Trinity was on the verge of collapse. Shaun rejuvenated the club, attracting fresh players, making it more professional on and off the field and developing team spirit through building a strong social scene. There was no magic formula, it took hard work, enthusiasm, commitment and passion, but, mostly, it was Shaun's love of the game that inspired others.

The Shaun Turner Trophy is not an award for football excellence but a chance to honour and celebrate those people who put in countless hours of effort and endeavour into football in the Yorkshire Amateur League. People who are tireless in their efforts to improve their clubs, without whom local football would not exist.

Please see below list of winners of this award

2000-01	G. Marshall	Old Thornesians
2001-02	M.Wimpenny	Old Collegians
2002-03	I.M. Kirby	Old Batelians
2003-04	S. Ledger	Leeds Medics & Dentists
2004-05	G.Crawley-Alexander	Leeds Independent
2005-06	M. Reid	Yorkshire Bank
2006-07	P. Turner	Leeds Medics & Dentists
2007-08	A.M. Green	Sandal Wanderers
2008-09	S. Todd	Heckmondwike GSOB
2009-10	J. Banks	Huddersfield Amateur
2010-11	B. Gaunt	Alwoodley FC
2011-12	C.Gardiner	Trinity and All Saints College OB
2012-13	M.Hayward	St Bedes
2013-14	No award	
2014-15	T. Cunningham	St. Nicholas
2015-16	R. Pearson	Trinity and All Saints College OB
2016-17	D. Holmes	Stanningley OB

RESPECT & HOSPITALITY

One of the legacies of our outgoing CEO Tony Gaunt was to introduce awards associated with both **hospitality**, the provision of post-match refreshments and social interaction between clubs and officials (are we are keen to promote all our clubs to provide and opposition to embrace) and **respect** for opposition and recognition of fair play based upon the requirements and criteria set out on Full Time.

The first award was presented for hospitality in season 2013-14 with Morley Town being the first recipient of the trophy. The respect trophy was introduced the following year with Leeds Medics & Dentists IV achieving this accolade.

Both awards are assigned based upon the marks awarded by our clubs/teams as they submit their on-line team sheets

HOSPITALITY TROPHY

2016-17	Old Batelians
2015-16	Ealandians
2014-15	Huddersfield Amateur
2013-14	Morley Town AFC

RESPECT TROPHY

2016-17	Shire Academics III
2015-16	Alwoodley FC III
2014-15	Leeds Medics & Dentists IV