

IAN DOUGLAS GRAHAM

Born March 14th 1968 in Akrotiri, Cyprus, 'Iggy' as he is known, joined the club in 2005 having spent much of his career in the Minor Counties League with Suffolk CCC for whom he debuted in 1989 while playing with Bury St Edmunds CC, Bury Rail CC & Dereham CC. His brother Colin also played for Suffolk CCC and his dad Arthur was a Club Vice President and now his son Lewis plays with KCC 1st XI and Lincolnshire at Junior County level and his daughter Darcey plays with KCC Women's 1st XI and at Under 15 level for Nottinghamshire Girls.

At Suffolk CCC he was Player of the Year in 2002 and from 62 matches with them until 2001 in 88 innings he scored 1772 runs at an average of 26.45, with a top score of 91 not out and with the ball he claimed 135 victims and took 17 catches. Moving to Nottinghamshire he first played with Caythorpe CC and then Notts Unity Casuals CC before settling with Keyworth.

One of the most exciting players ever to feature for the club this brilliant, prolific run scoring right hand batsman and right arm spin and swing bowler, re-wrote the record books in his second season, becoming the first Keyworth player ever to score 1000 runs in a season and went on to rack up almost 6000 1st XI runs for the club at a record best average of 49.58 runs per innings and was South Notts League Division C Batsman of the Year in 2006, 2012 & 2015 and Division D 2011.

Ian was hugely motivated and brought a wealth of experience and commitment to the club



and notched up a record seventeen 1st XI centuries, twice as many as Shaun King who is second on the all-time list.

Ian's 156 against Newark R&M CC on June 21st 2014 is his highest score for KCC and he has crashed 149 'six' hits. Add to that four scores in the 90's and going past 50 a further thirty five times, his performances have been nothing short of extraordinary and arguably the second best player ever to have played for KCC over its long history after the England test player William 'Dick' Attewell.

Ian has featured in the three highest batting partnerships in the history of the club - a league record 318 run stand with Grant Parker for the first wicket against Thrumpton CC on June 24th 2006, an opening stand with Chris Ladd of 205 runs against Kimberley Institute CC II's on May 14th 2005 and a record 2nd wicket stand with skipper Geoff Tindsley of 198 against Gedling & Sherwood CC on June 2nd 2012 breaking a record he set with Ben Elliott against Gedling Colliery II's on June 19th 2010. Ian also holds the third wicket stand record of 150 runs, set with Sam Bradley against Plumtree CC II's on June 10th 2006.



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Ian is the second most prolific 1st XI career scorer with 5776 runs and stands at 15th in the bowlers list with 242 wickets and has been Club Player of the Year in 2006, 2007, 2012 & 2013. A former fast bowler who has slowed down to employ guile and clever changes of length and pace, he has twelve times taken more than 5 wickets in a match and on August 4th 2007 against Collingham CC he did the 'double' of scoring 93 not out and taking 6 wickets for 70 runs, then repeated the feat against Hucknall Rolls Royce CC on 1st September 2007 scoring 93 not out and taking 6 for 70 and on June 2nd 2012 he scored 115 not out and took 8 wickets for 59 runs against Gedling & Sherwood

CC to set a new League Record as well and record his best ever bowling figures with the club and is the only KCC player ever to perform the 'double' of 50 runs and 5 wickets in a match on six occasions.



Ian toured Australia in 2002 representing the Club Cricket Conference and also had a spell playing as a professional in New Zealand and has been a very accomplished Hockey player with the Boots club and has served as Chairman of the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board Business Advisory Committee.

KCC made a Special Award to Ian in 2016 for his Outstanding Contribution to the Club. Ian left the club to play 3rd XI cricket with his son Lewis at West Bridgfordians CC and became a Vice President from the 2017 season. He re-joined KCC in 2022 with the intention of playing with his son and daughter but ill health got in his way.

Ian Graham's Keyworth career statistics...

	Mat	Inns	NO	HS	Runs	Ave	6's	Ovrs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Ave	Ct	St
1 st XI	123	123	10	156	5776	51.12	139	1160.5	214	3987	242	16.48	49	1
T20	8	8	0	85	180	22.50	10	29	1	170	11	15.45	1	
CAREER	131	131	10	156	5966	49.31	149	1189.3	215	4157	253	16.43	50	1