

JOHN K DRING



John was born in Netherfield, Nottingham on 4th June 1945. He attended Carlton -Le- Willows Grammar School where he captained the school cricket team up to Under 15 level. In 1958, at the age of 13 he made his debut in senior cricket for Carlton Cricket Club in the Notts Amateur League. After starting work with Notts County Council in 1961 John joined Notts County Officers Cricket Club. An immaculate right hand batsman and wicket keeper, neat and tidy in everything he did and usually the fittest player on the field, John joined KCC in 1967 and played through to 2001 before becoming a Vice President. 'Dringo' as he was known caused an upset when taking a three year spell from the club, joining neighbouring rivals Plumtree CC "to play at a higher standard" but was eventually forgiven and in 2016, John at the age of 71 played a couple of games for the 3rd XI.



John frequently captained club teams between 1977 and 1992 and his class and leadership skills were recognised through his regular selection to captain the South Notts Village League representative XI between 1981 and 1985. He was also selected to captain the Nottingham Evening League against the Mansfield Evening League in the 1980's and made the sixth most 1st XI appearances ever recorded for the club and his best score of 105 came in a home South Notts Village League match against Gedling Colliery on June 26th 1980. He passed fifty on twenty six occasions and is the fourth highest cumulative run scorer at first XI level and sixth highest in all cricket for Keyworth. Behind the timbers his 157 catches and 16 stumpings make him the fourth most successful wicket keeper ever to don the gloves in the club's history. Off the field John served as Club Secretary from 1982 to 1984 and again in 1993 and helped manage the Youth Team from 1981 to 1983 and more recently had a spell as the Chairman of the Keyworth Playing Fields Association and has been a Club Vice president since 2002 and in 2016 took over supervising ground preparation. John's son Matt Dring, also a batsman/ wicketkeeper started with Keyworth as a youth team player but then spent most of his career in the Gunn and Moore Alliance with Notts Unity Casuals CC, occasionally returning to Keyworth to primarily play in the Evening League. John's grandsons are outstanding young players at Plumtree CC.

John Dring's Keyworth career statistics..

	Mat	Inns	NO	HS	Runs	Ave	6's	Ovrs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Ave	Ct	St
1 st XI	287	277	45	105	5038	21.72	29	20	3	75	3	25.00	119	10
2 nd XI	11	11	0	72	216	19.64		3.2	0	12	0		6	
3 rd XI	2	2	1	26	32	32.00								
Evening	149	136	31	60*	2237	21.30	12	1	0	15	1	15.00	32	6
CAREER	449	426	77	105	7523	21.56	41	24.2	3	102	4	25.50	157	16