

MYTHOLMROYD CC

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4 FACTS ABOUT MYTHOLMROYD (THE TOWN)

- The town of Mytholmroyd lies at the bottom of the Calder Valley. ('Mytholm' means 'meeting of the waters' and 'Royd' denotes 'a clearing in the wood').
 - **Its most famous son is Poet Laureate Ted Hughes.**



- One of the most famous dates in recent history is 1931, when the town was rocked by an earthquake.
 - **It would be fair to say that as a town, Mytholmroyd does not have the profile of nearby Hebden Bridge, but it does have the same culinary speciality - dock pudding. (The town actually hosts the Annual Dock Pudding World Championships!)**

Almost 200 years old!

KEY DATES IN THE EARLY HISTORY OF CRICKET IN CALDERDALE

June 1834: Halifax Clarence play Bradford on Skircoat Moor.

1836: Halifax Alliance take on Huddersfield Britannia.

Monday 20 August 1838: Todmorden CC stages its first recorded match.

1860s: Inter-town matches staged involving Halifax, Elland and Brighouse. Smaller teams emerge, too.



1870: 'Cricket Battery' (an early 'bowling machine') invented by Mr Swaine, a Halifax cricket pro.

1877: Halifax's Thrum Hall ground leveled.

1887: Founding of the Halifax Parish Cup

July 1888: First county match at Thrum Hall - Yorkshire v Gloucestershire (and WG. Grace).

1897: Joe Nicholl opens the first 'sports shop' in Halifax on Cheapside.

10 June 1897: Yorkshire visit Thrum Hall for last time.