

Top Trivia

- Despite the furore which often resulted in pre-league days when teams generally provided their own umpire, and the trend towards neutral umpires elsewhere, Sowerby Bridge Christ Church voted against neutral umpires at the General Meeting of the Halifax Cricket League on 18 April 1894 on the grounds of expense.
- In 1898 players had to be on the ground by 6.30 on practice nights to be sure of getting a bat.
- In 1931, match fees were 9d for the first XI and 6d for the second XI.
- In 1932 five players on the team sheet were starred each week and were responsible for preparing the pitch.
- In 1936 half a hundredweight of 'Eclipse Fish Meat' was purchased from Messrs. Conway 'to be used as dressing for the cricket pitch'.
- Letter to the Halifax Cricket Association, 1937: 'The Committee ... have given consideration to the complaints of the players respecting the decisions made by the Hattersley's umpire in the matches v Dean Clough May 15th and v Keighley Mills May 22nd and whilst deploring the remarks made to the umpire, especially in the latter match by our players, the committee are of the opinion that the friction between the players and the umpire in question demands a revision of umpires appointments in any future matches when this umpire and ourselves are concerned.' i.e. Don't send us this umpire again!
- In the late 1960s Halifax Town striker Bill Atkins played cricket for S.B.C.I..
- In 1983 S.B.C.I. were awarded 74 out of 100 – classified as 'good' – by the Halifax League Grounds Inspectorate. The S.B.C.I. committee nevertheless expressed 'general dissatisfaction with the inspection as the observers were unaware of an internal flush toilet and marked the club down in this category'.

- When, during a spell of dry weather, club secretary John Scholefield gave his daughter a driving lesson on the outfield, the police helicopter was called out and landed on the ground to arrest these 'vandals'.
- In recent years two S.B.C.I. players have moved, via spells at Todmorden, into the paid ranks. Alexander Scholefield played for Todmorden from 1996–2000 and has since played as professional for Earby (2001-02) and Mirfield Parish Cavaliers (2003-2004). Jamie Summerscales played for Todmorden in 2002 before signing to strengthen Barkisland's ranks.
- Whilst Alexander Scholefield was at Todmorden his mother Sue took a full and active role in club affairs, including a spell as secretary. The Todmorden connection was evident on 30 August 1999 when six Todmorden cricketers played in the match between a Halifax League XI and an S.B.C.I. Invitation XI to celebrate the opening of the new pavilion. These included the Todmorden professional, Queensland batsman Brendan Nash, who hit an unbeaten 101 as the league XI won by one wicket. In another Todmorden link, the five Todmorden amateurs in the match were former pupils of S.B.C.I. stalwart and maths teacher at Todmorden's Grammar and High Schools for many years, Alan Hampshire, who attended the game.