

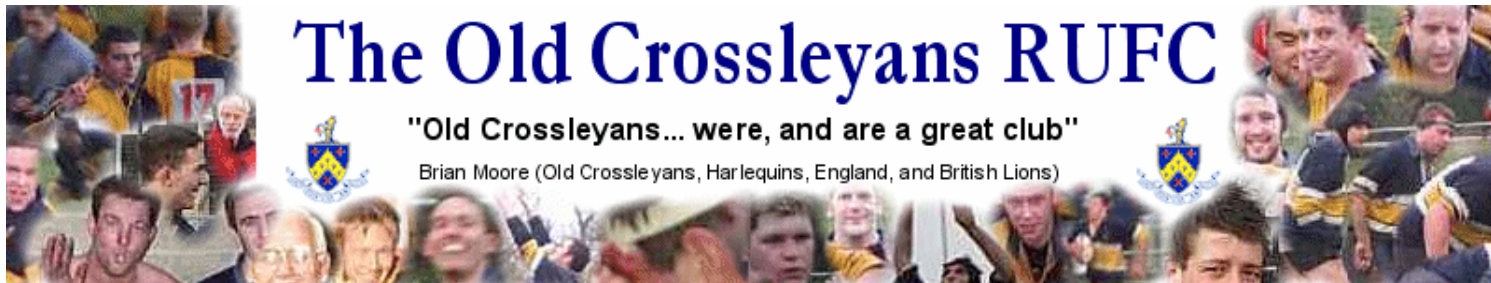
# LATER YEARS

## SPORT FOR ALL

### MORE THAN A CRICKET CLUB

Old Crossleyans are a hybrid organisation: there is a rugby union club, a cricket team, a squash side and a junior rugby league XIII. The grandiose clubhouse by the main entrance, Standeven House, serves all Club sportsmen.





# The Old Crossleyans RUFC

"Old Crossleyans... were, and are a great club"

Brian Moore (Old Crossleyans, Harlequins, England, and British Lions)

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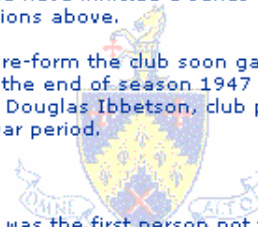
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## OLD CROSSLEYANS RUFC - A BRIEF OUTLINE

Formed in 1923 by a group of Old Boys of Crossley and Porter School; Old Crossleyans quickly made their mark. Probably their most notable achievement in this pre-war era was a one point winning margin over Halifax in 1939 before the club disbanded for the duration of the war. The advent of league rugby saw regular fixtures established between the clubs and after three consecutive victories for Crocs in 1992, 93 & 94, Halifax finally turned the tables in 1995 with a 17 - 15 win at Ovenden Park. In recent seasons Halifax have gone semi professional and have inflicted a series of defeats on a strictly amateur Crossleyan side and are now three divisions above.

After the Second World War, a move to re-form the club soon gathered momentum. After "testing the water" with a handful of games towards the end of season 1947 - 48, Crocs fulfilled a complete programme the following year. The late Douglas Ibbetson, club president for many years, was one of the few whose playing career spanned the war period.



He was the first person not from the teaching profession to be honoured with the presidency. His successor, Ken Marshall, presided over many of the club's most successful years, seeing Crocs break free of the "old boy" network to advance their status through success in league rugby. John Armitage, who took over from Ken, led the club through three exciting years and saw Crocs qualify for the

# TOP OF THE TREE!

1991 - HALIFAX LEAGUE DIVISION 2 CHAMPIONS



1985	Barkisland	S.B.Tennyson
1986	Warley	A.Oates
1987	Booth	I.Sharkey
1988	Copley	R.Thorpe
1989	Copley	R.Thorpe
1990	Booth	M.Thomas
1991	Triangle	W.Morris
1992	Bradshaw	C.Sutcliffe
1993	Triangle	D.Hudson
1994	Triangle	D.Hudson
1995	Booth	T.Conway
1996	Triangle	G.Rodger
1997	Bradshaw	W.Cotton
1998	Warley	A.Oates
1999	Triangle	P.Maddan
2000	Copley	R.Thorpe
2001	Copley	R.Thorpe

#### 2nd Division 1st Teams

1954	Greetland	N.E.Crossley
1955	Warley	L.Peckover
1956	Mytholmroyd	K.Butterworth
1957	Bridgeholme	J.Horsfall
1958	Stones	D.W.Hamer
1959	Stainland	E.Longbottom
1960	Warley	R.Crossley
1961	Northowram	H.Andrew
1962	Sowerby	D.Habergham
1963	Triangle	N.Ashcroft
1964	Barkisland	T.Schofield
1965	Crossleys	T.Pollard
1966	Copley	T.R.Thorpe
1967	Blackley	J.Moorhouse
1968	Copley	B.Hulme
1969	Myth.Meths	T.R.Grace
1970	Northowram	A.Butterworth
1971	Triangle	J.Cook
1972	Warley	R.Barker
1973	Booth	P.Metcalf
1974	Triangle	J.Patrick
1975	Northowram	A.B.Kellett

1976	Crossleys	T.Pollard
1977	Sowerby	K.Wharvell
1978	Bradshaw	P.Holden
1979	Stainland	R.Mallinson
1980	Greetland	P.Nichols
1981	Mackintoshes	A.Ham
1982	Bradshaw	C.Sutcliffe
1983	Old Town	G.Dobby
1984	Northowram	I.Stocks
1985	Stainland	B.Evans
1986	Luddenden Foot	R.D.Smith
1987	S.B.C.I.	M.Wood
1988	Outlane	J.Smith
1989	Luddenden Foot	K.Weatherill
1990	Stones	S.Milner
1991	Old Crossleyans	S.G.Fowler
1992	Luddenden Foot	S.R.Smith
1993	Old Town	N.Cowens
1994	Stones	C.Houlker
1995	Luddenden Foot	S.Moore
1996	Copley	R.Bhabra
1997	Northowram	B.Leach
1998	Luddenden Foot	C.Hutchinson
1999	Sowerby Bridge	T.Helliwell
2000	Sowerby St Peters	

		M.Schofield
2001	Blackley	G.Hey

#### 1st Division 2nd Teams

1933	Copley	J.L.Forden
1934	Mytholmroyd	E.Hitchen
1935	Copley	P.E.Albon
1936	Norwood Green	H.Kirbyson
1937	Mytholmroyd	J.Dawkins
1938	Turnwight & Clifton	
		G.Peacock
1939	Mytholmroyd	F.Walton
1940	Sowerby St Peters	
		N.Spriggs
1946	Mytholmroyd	F.Walton
1947	Mytholmroyd	G.A.Nicholl
1948	Mytholmroyd	G.Thomas
1949	Booth	T.Patrick



# IN THE NEWS

1996 – CLUB NEWSLETTER LAUNCHED



**EXTRAS!**  
Issue 1 February 1996

OLD CROSSLEYANS  
CRICKET CLUB

**WELCOME**

You've probably noticed all the snow outside which means that yet again the cricket season is upon us.

Welcome to the first edition of the 1996 Old Crossleyans Cricket Magazine **EXTRAS!**



**EXTRAS!**  
Issue 2 April 1996

OLD CROSSLEYANS  
CRICKET CLUB



HOW MANY weddings this year?

**4 WEEKS TO GO!**

Yes the count down to the new season has begun and as usual we don't want to leave it until the last minute so lets get organised.



# RIGHT CHARLIE

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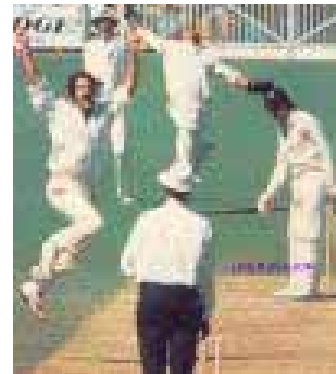
Not so long ago, Old Crossleyans were captained by a top Australian batsman, Charlie Daly. He was also involved in a special sponsorship deal, whereby the Club benefited financially if he hit a certain run target by the end of the season. Daly did his bit in the nick of time - and the Club duly hit the jackpot!



# SPECIAL CELEBRATION

2001 – REUNION ANNIVERSARY EVENT

Old Crossleyans C.C. celebrated 25 years of cricket in 2001. To mark the anniversary, the Club held a special reunion event, which was attended by players from the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s and many other guests. Ex-England batsman Derek Randall was the special guest.



# INTO CYBERSPACE

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### Stainland To The Cleaners

The 1st XI bounced back from defeat in emphatic style. Batting first on a hollow wicket, Crocs got 261-4dec with Amir making his maiden 1st team 50 finished 8 short of a century on 92. A disheartened Stainland were then skittled out for 150ish with 20 overs remaining. Hopefully they can bounce back in similar style this weekend when the meet Oxenhopeless.

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#### Headingley Sees Crocs Go Global

Various people from the Old Crossleyans were at Headingley on Sunday for the ODI v Bangladesh. Crocs players were photographed with many celebrities, and Jeff got on TV.

It is rumoured Dickie Bird signed a contract to umpire 3rd XI games much to the disgust of Ian

#### Yorkshire claim title in Under 15 County Championship (4/5)



Yorkshire CCC won the ECB U15 County Championship, after drawing with Surrey CCC on the final day of competit...»

#### Upcoming Fixtures

(1/1)

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#### Leading Statistics

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# PRIDE OF THE CLUB

2004 – 1<sup>ST</sup> XI TEAM PHOTO



# HEALTHY AND HAPPY

## CLUB TODAY

Today, perhaps just less than 50% of the Club's members have a connection with the School. As such, it is now an 'open' club and welcomes new members from all over.

The Club run a 1<sup>st</sup> XI, 2<sup>nd</sup> XI and a Sunday team, plus junior sides.



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