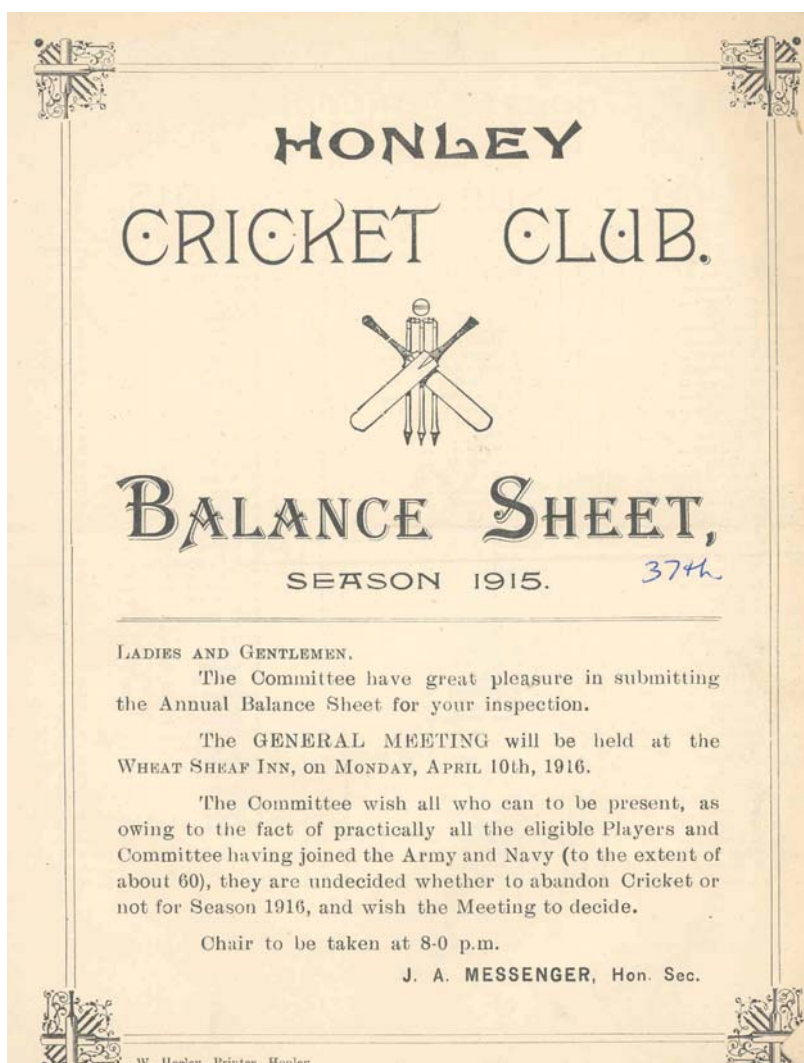


1916: Cricket 'Abandoned'!

By the end of 1915 the effects of the First World War had begun to bite. The Club's annual report for the 1915 season explained that a crisis point had now been reached with ***'practically all the eligible players having joined the Army or Navy (to the extent of about 60).'***



It was later decided, at the 1916 AGM, that ***'we discontinue cricket for 1916...write to the League Sec that we have abandoned cricket'*** and ***'inscribe a Roll of Honour to the men who have joined the Army and Navy during the Great War.'***