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## Denis Marshall says ....

WE OPEN the 2004 season against Slaithwaite, who like Holmfirth, are one of the five clubs now playing in the league who were original members in 1892 when the Huddersfield League was formed.

With the soccer and rugby seasons overlapping with cricket, Holmfirth are fielding an under strength team, with new signings David Hall (who hit a sparkling half century in the friendly against Kirkburton last Sunday) finishing the rugby union season. We welcome again Villie Destroo, the South African from Kimberley, for his second season at Holmfirth and also Philip Birkhead from neighbouring Thongsbridge. Phil is an attacking batsman but really is something of an all-rounder.

Slaithwaite have several new signings but as their team selection will not take place until Thursday it will unfortunately miss our deadline for printing this programme. The Slaithwaite team printed overleaf may well be altered from the one published, with Sarfraz Ahmed one of the newcomers.

We played Slaithwaite twice last season, with one rained off, but lost the first with Mahammed Wasim taking six wickets for 37 and Tristan Jackson 4-57 they are both registered again.

Billy Keighley was hoping to play as first team captain but owing to work commitments will not be available each week. Matt Garretty who was vice captain last year has now taken over for the season as skipper. Matt was the leading bowler and batsman in 2003 and in previous years had been approached to take over the captaincy but declined. Having damaged his shoulder playing rugby we hope things have improved and is now fit again and raring to go again!

Off the field, this season we have decided to upgrade the programme to a full colour issue and are delighted to have both new and old advertisers. We would ask members that wherever and whenever possible they support the advertisers and sponsors, who surely deserve our support.

Alan Hellingworth is once again programme editor and printer. He is always looking for contributors and anyone who can provide pictures and stories will be most welcome. We would particularly like to feature the newcomers to our club, so come on David and Phil tell us your story.

Next Saturday the first team play Paddock away whilst the second team are at home to Paddock seconds.

Good luck for the coming season lads and more importantly have a great time.

**DENIS MARSHALL**



Left - "Mr reliable" Jon Moore was down at practice once again getting ready for another season. Take note of his 100% effort guys.

Right - New signing from Thongsbridge, Phil Birkhead played remarkably straight for a first practice and also hit the ball hard.



Left - This wicket was a bit low and slow but Colin cracked this through mid on!!

Right - Nick Garretty sporting some nice head gear at the first practice session.

