

SPECIAL CLUB

Duncan Hall on joining Sowerby Bridge

I joined Sowerby Bridge in 1977. Brian Lawrence suggested I come down and I helped him with the Under-14s. I think we had 20 or so youngsters in our group. Ray Jordan was also involved in coaching them.

Because Sowerby Bridge were playing in a different league – the Central Yorkshire League – it felt like a special club. And we certainly attracted some good youngsters.



The club left the Central Yorkshire League in 1984. It was getting ridiculous: paying players was becoming prevalent – so much a run, even in 2nd XIs! And the vote went through to join the Halifax League.

We lost a few players but some also returned to the club. It was a big decision but we had no regrets as a club. In the Central Yorkshire League we were on the periphery, but in the Halifax League we were more central.