

C.Bairstow

Club president in 1933

Clarkson Memorial Score Box

Opened This Afternoon at Kingston

The score box which has been erected on the Kingston Cricket Ground by the King Cross Cricket Club, in memory of the late Mr. James Clarkson and his family, was declared open, this afternoon, and a tablet unveiled by Mr. Arthur Clarkson, Mr. James Clarkson's youngest son, who retired from active cricket last season.

The brief ceremony was presided over by Mr. C. Bairstow, the president of the club, who said that that day would prove a memorable one in the history of the club. An up-to-date score box had long been needed and they could congratulate themselves now on possessing a very fine one. It had been erected by the club in memory of one of the greatest cricketing families in the district. Every member of the club appreciated the immense value of the work which the Clarkson family had done for local cricket.

Before unveiling the tablet, Mr. Arthur Clarkson expressed thanks on behalf of his family for erecting the score box to commemorate their association with the club. It was now 50 years since his father first became a member of the club. All the hours that they had spent on the cricket ground had been very happy indeed.

The tablet bore the words: "Erected to the memory of the late Mr. James Clarkson and family, Sept. 16, 1933. President, Mr. C. Bairstow; secretary, Mr. Wilfred Senior; treasurer, Mr. G. H. Varley."

Immediately after the opening of the box, there was a match played between an eleven of past and present King Cross players and a strong Whitwood eleven, the game being played for a cup provided by Mr. A. Pinder, of Whitwood.

The teams were: King Cross.—A. Clarkson (capt.), L. Radcliffe, G. G. L. Briggs, E. R. Beecroft, G. M. Scarborough, G. Simpson, D. E. Jowitt, J. M. Crossley, C. Garforth, P. H. Sykes and G. L. Lawrence.

Whitwood.—S. Elliott (capt.), G. Nodder, R. Tordoff, L. Henson, H. Fowler, W. Baker, H. Tolson, C. Crozier, J. Hurley, R. Kaye and W. Layton.