

University of Huddersfield Cricket Research Centre



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Over the past five years, there has been significant research in the area of cricket history at the University of Huddersfield. The establishment of the Cricket Research Centre reflects this and also opens up new possibilities for collaborative projects and cross-disciplinary activity in and around cricket history.

The main aims of the Centre are to:

- facilitate cricket-related research
- enable the sharing of ideas and networking
- bid for external research funding
- encourage postgraduate students to come to Huddersfield to engage in cricket research

What we do:

- Monthly research seminars
- Quarterly guest lectures
- Annual conference
- Interactive web page
- We are also working on a book for Manchester University Press: *Cricket and Community in England since c.1860: A Social and Cultural History* (forthcoming, September 2010)

Areas of specialism:

- Dr Peter Davies – cricket in Calderdale & Kirklees; origins of clubs; cricket and women, war, ethnicity
- Dr Rob Light – cricket in West Yorkshire, amateurism and professionalism, competition, early cricket
- Dennis O’Keefe – cricket and religion in Calderdale; cricketing clerics; Muscular Christianity
- Duncan Stone – cricket and regional identity with regard to Yorkshire and Surrey; amateurism

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