

Celebrations as clubhouse declared open

MEMBERS and guests gathered at Mirfield's Moorlands Cricket Club on Thursday to celebrate the opening of the new clubhouse.

Mr Keith Moss, chairman of the Yorkshire County Cricket Club, performed the official unveiling of the commemorative plaque, following a £100,000 scheme to enhance the sporting facilities.

Other guests were the Mayor of Mirfield, Coun Colin Fretwell, Mr Philip Ackroyd, local representative of the Yorkshire County Cricket committee, Mr John Tomlinson, president of the North Yorkshire Cricket League, and other cricketing representatives.

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was partly funded through the National Lottery, matched pound for pound by the club and various grants, has provided increased shower and changing facilities, toilets for people with disabilities and increased parking facilities.

A two-storey extension to the Huddersfield Road clubhouse has also provided members with a new viewing area and function facilities which cater for up to 100 people.

Club chairman Mr Peter Ramsden said the club could now benefit from extending its membership to junior and ladies' sections, and they would also be able to provide function facilities when the cricket season finished.



Phil Wagner (left) with junior David Blackburn, Keith Moss and Stephen Wood at the opening of the new clubhouse. (C140805)

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Bowled over by new-look club house

MIRFIELD'S Moorlands Cricket Club officially unveils its new-look club house next week following the completion of a £100,000 scheme to enhance its sporting facilities.

Mr Keith Moss, chairman of Yorkshire County Cricket Club, will perform the honours at the Huddersfield Road ground at 8pm on Thursday August 13.

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Mr Peter Ramsden, club chairman, said: "It is absolutely unbelievable the transformation."

He also praised the contractors, Howard Cook Builders, for the work which started early January.

The scheme is geared to help the club increase its capacity and already members are looking to start up a new junior and senior ladies section.

Already the club has organised cricket coaching for girls from 6.30pm on Tuesdays.

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