

Brighouse Cricket League (1895-1902)

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All member teams are now defunct except for the 2nd XIs of Rastrick and Brighouse. They were:

Parish Church (1895-1902). Used a long, narrow field (170 yards x 65) on the Brighouse-Hipperholme road close to Hove Edge.

Park Church (1895-99). Formed 1891, but defunct after 1899. Ground (The Lees) was on the Brighouse-Mirfield road, opposite Clifton Road station.

Brighouse Primitives (1895-1902). Connected with Lane Head Primitive Methodist Sunday School, they had won the Brighouse Junior League in 1893. Ground at Nab End, Hove Edge.

Clifton Britannia (1895-1902). Moved to the Halifax & District League in 1906.

Hove Edge (1897-1901). The Zion Club, Hove Edge, had been in the Brighouse Junior League in 1894.

Rastrick Church (1897-99). Described as defunct in 1900, their field at Rastrick Common was taken over by St John's Church Sunday School, Rastrick.

Bridge End Congregationalists (1898-1902). Played at Woodhouse, Rastrick.

Southowram St Anne's (1898). Also appeared in several other leagues.

Clifton Vale Print Works (1899). Played at Birds Royd before taking over the former Park Church ground at The Lees.

Elland Edge (1902). Previously Halifax Amateur League, to where they returned.

Bradley St Thomas's (1902).