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Interview with Jon Russell, Mytholmroyd CC Webmaster

When did your club website go online? For the start of season 2005.

How many people help with the website apart from you? Three - we have a team member who updates the results and writes the reports.



What are your main day-to-day tasks as webmaster? I update the moving headlines and I check the copy in the team reports and add photos when available. I input the fixtures at the start of the season, update the diary of club events and add features when they are available. I check all the stats to see that they are working properly.

Which features of the site are most popular with club members or general browsers? Averages and pictures and links to the league site.

How might your website develop in the future? For his season I am adding an automatic texting selection notification. If this works, I am sure it will be great and make our lives a lot easier.

In your opinion, what is special and unique about your club in general? Nothing special or unique, just the commitment and quality of its members in both cricket and admin. We may be just a bit better in some areas and that is the difference.

What do you like most about your ground? The view and its atmosphere.

What does the future hold for your club? Like every club, things go round. We are having success at the moment, but if we are less strong in the areas we are strong now, it is not difficult to go backwards, so my view is: enjoy it while you have it. Who knows what tomorrow will bring. This is always the way with amateur clubs.

What is your club famous for when it comes to the cricket teas you put on? Any culinary specialities? Quality, value and variety. We do a mean lasagne.

Favourite away ground you like visiting? Blackley and Bradshaw, I always get runs there.

What has changed most about local cricket during your lifetime? Everybody, even juniors, have their own kit. That's why changing rooms have to be bigger. I have played in the Halifax League for 13 years and the standard of the tracks is better but the attitude to batting is much more aggressive. Scores of 300 were unheard of; now they are commonplace - we even had 400 scored last year.