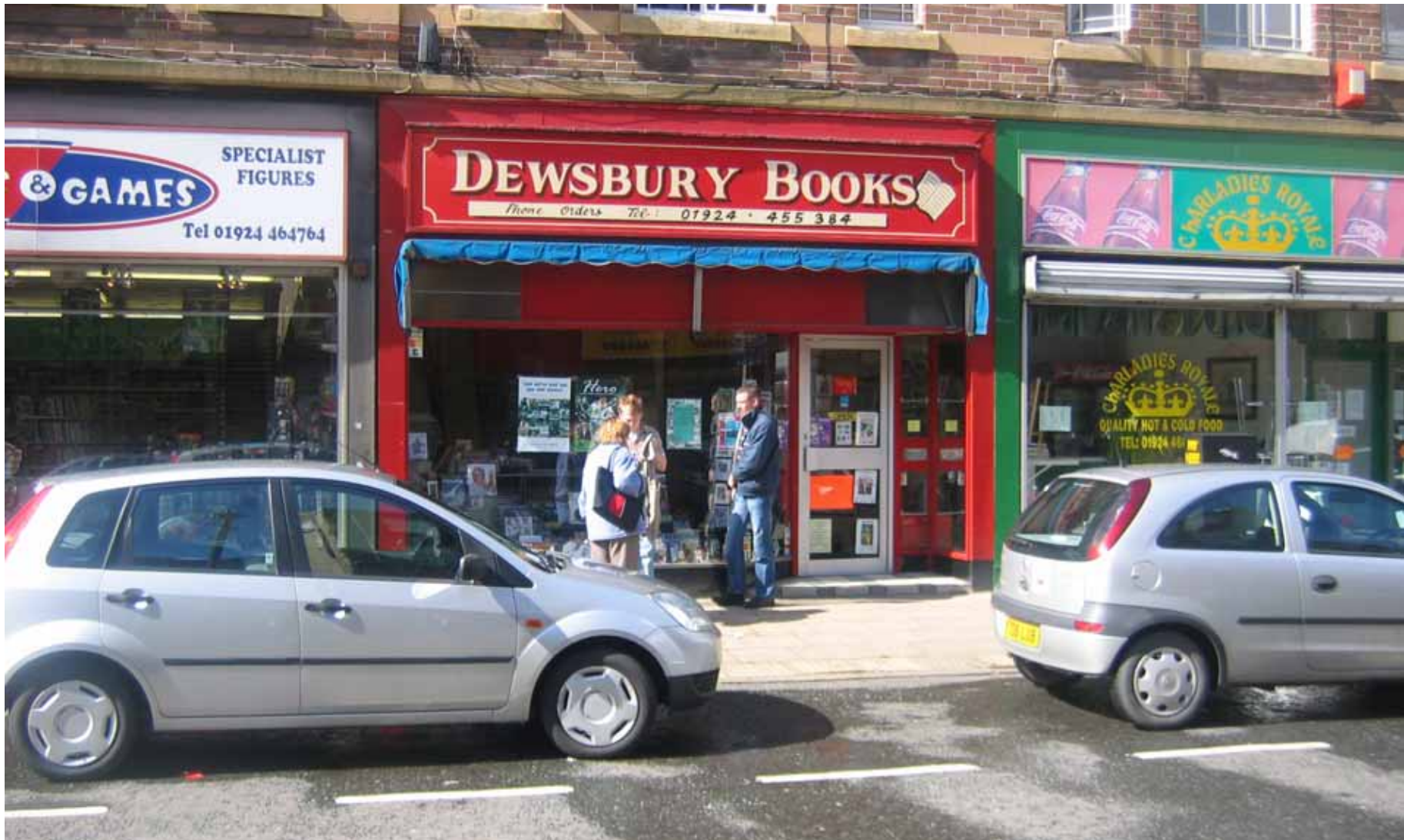


In April 2006 Dewsbury Books hosted a special launch event to coincide with the publication of *180 Not Out* – the trilogy of pictorial anthologies compiled by Peter Davies and Rob Light. Special guests at the launch were Dewsbury cricket stalwarts Maurice Pollard and Stan Gostellow



New Book Launched



The summer came early for local cricket fans at a Dewsbury bookshop. Dewsbury Books was the venue for the special launch event for '180 Not Out' - a three-volume photographic series on the heritage of local cricket. Volume 2 of the trilogy, on North Kirklees, features a special section on Mount CC, the pioneering cricket club from Hyrstlands Park, Batley.

On hand for the launch were local cricketers and officials from across the area, including Imran Dawood, brother of Mount old boy Ismail Dawood who went on to play for Yorkshire. The books are just one outcome of the £50,000 Cricket Heritage Project being sponsored by the Heritage Lottery Fund and being led by Dr Peter Davies, a History

Dr Davies and his co-author Rob Light have unearthed a wealth of old photographs and archive documents relating to cricket in North Kirklees. "The images and stories we have uncovered demonstrate that cricket has played a crucial role in the social and cultural history of the area," Dr Davies told Awaaz. The books are published by Sigma Books. Call 01484 472405 for more information.

Photo shows key cricketing personalities at the launch.

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Cricketing book launch

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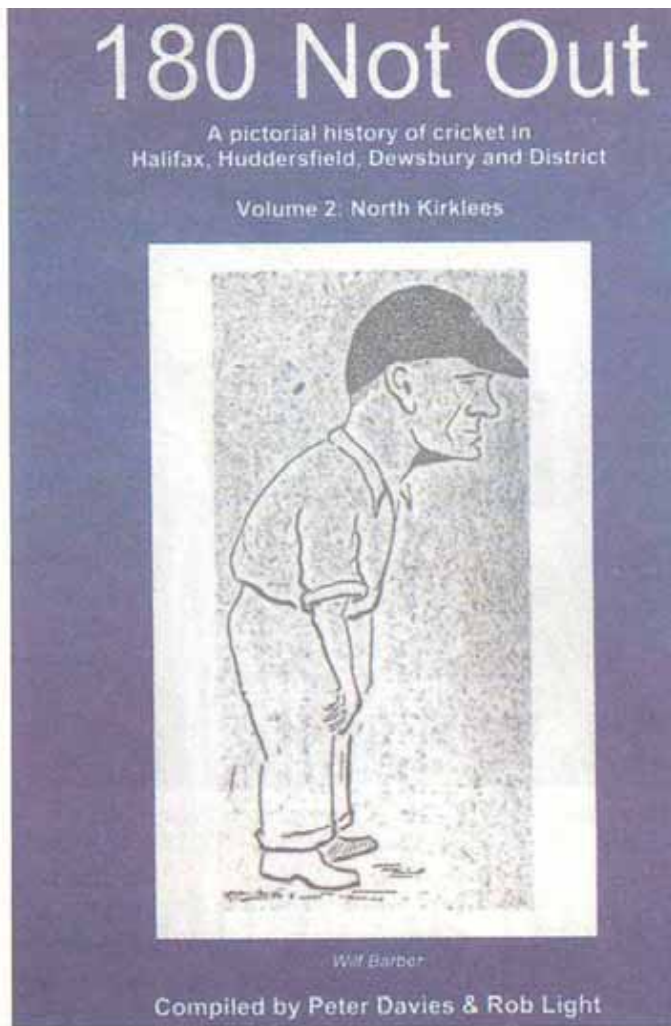
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"The books are a compilation of all the best images and items we have discovered. Every club is featured," said Dr Davies.

The special launch event takes place at Dewsbury Books, Crackenedge Lane, Dewsbury on Saturday at noon.

The books are published by Sigma Press.



The cover of the North Kirklees local cricket history book, which will be launched on Saturday.

Batley/Birstall News

RIGHT: Celebrating a hat-trick of championship trophies from 1976-78 was the bats from Heckmondwike CC.

OWZAT! Three new books about the history of local cricket have just been published – and there will be a special launch event tomorrow. Cricket in Crackenedge Lane and the Spen Valley gets a major billing, with special features on all clubs in the area. The series is called *180 Not Out*, edited by co-author Dr Peter Davies. "And this reflects the fact that cricket in this part of West Yorkshire has a long history and a rich cultural heritage. The books are just one outcome of the £50,000 Cricket Heritage Project being sponsored by the Heritage Lottery Fund and being led by Dr Davies, a history lecturer at the University of Huddersfield. Dr Davies and his colleague on the project, Rob Light, have unearthed a treasure trove of old photographs and archive documents relating to cricket in the Heavy Woollen area. "The books are a compilation of all the best images and items we have discovered on our travels. Every club is featured – our aim was to bring to life all the big personalities and events in the history of local cricket," said Dr Davies. The special launch event takes place at Dewsbury Books, Crackenedge Lane, Dewsbury, tomorrow at noon. VIP guests from the world of local cricket will be present and there will also be a short presentation about the books. "We'd love local people to come along to the book launch event and share their cricketing memories with us," added Dr Davies. The books are published by Sigma Press. Call 01484 47441 for more information.

Owzat for a read to bowl you over

LEFT: The new book which charts cricket in the Heavy Woollen area.

LEFT: General women's team in 1914. **BELOW:** Moorside cricket ground at Clackhutton around 1910.

Spensborough Guardian/ Heckmondwike Herald



Cricket books launch

A SERIES of three cricket books entitled *180 Not Out* will be launched at Dewsbury Books, Crackenedge Lane on Saturday at noon. There are features on all clubs in the Heavy Woollen area as the books reflect on the long and distinguished history of the game in West Yorkshire.

The books, published by Sigma Press, follow on from the £50,000 Cricket Heritage Project being sponsored by the Heritage Lottery Fund. It was led by Dr Davies, a history lecturer at the University of Huddersfield. Call (01484) 472405 for more information.

Dewsbury Reporter

Bookshop owner Sue Carter with cricket fans at the launch of *180 Not Out*. (NS)



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Victoria, Liversedge and the two Heckmondwike clubs.

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