

**In April 2006 Wades Bookshop in Halifax 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**



# Howzat for a slice of sporting history across Calderdale clubs?

SPORT enthusiasts were treated to a book signing to help launch a chronicle of cricket in Calderdale.

Historian Peter Davies and his former research assistant Rob Light signed copies of their new book *180 Not Out*, a collection of cricket photographs from every club in Calderdale.

The book, a mixture of old photographs, newspaper cuttings and posters from the mid-19th century to today, is one of three in a series on Calderdale and Kirklees.

The signing took place at Fred Wade's bookshop, Rawson Street, Halifax.



Launch: Peter Davies and Rob Light with copies of *180 Not Out* at Fred Wade's bookshop

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**Shop owner Mrs Pell**



# The game's heritage in pictures

## 180 Not Out

A pictorial history of cricket in  
Halifax, Huddersfield, Dewsbury and District

Volume 1: Calderdale



Compiled by Peter Davies & Rob Light

Sigma Books 2006

THREE new books about local cricket have just been published - and there will be special launch events in Calderdale this week.

The history of cricket in Brighouse and Rastrick is covered in depth, with special features on all clubs in the area.

Co-author Dr Peter Davies said: "The series is called '180 Not Out' and this reflects the fact that cricket in this part of West Yorkshire has a long and distinguished history."

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 co-author Rob Light have unearthed a treasure trove of old photographs and archive documents relating to cricket in all parts of Calderdale.

"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 Calderdale volume includes special sections on cricket in Lightcliffe, Hartshead Moor, Southowram and Elland, as well as Brighouse and Rastrick.

The special launch events take place on Saturday at Wades Bookshop, Rawson Street, Halifax (11am) and Bookthrift, Bridge Gate, Hebden Bridge (12 noon).

At each venue, there will be a short presentation about the books and then a discussion about the unique heritage of cricket in Calderdale.

"We'd love local people to come along to the launches and share their cricketing memories with us. All are welcome," said Dr Davies.

The books are published by Sigma Books. Contact 01484-472405 for more information.

● A series by Peter Davies focusing on crickets clubs in the Brighouse area starts next week.

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