

In February 2008 the special exhibition, '180 Not Out: The Development of Cricket in Kirklees', was opened at the Student Centre at the University of Huddersfield. It had previously been on view at Tolson Museum (Huddersfield), Dewsbury Museum and Oakwell Hall (Birstall)









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Welcomed to a very special exhibition!

In 1880, the first cricket club was formed in Kirklees. Since then, the sport has grown to become a major part of the community. This exhibition celebrates the 180th anniversary of the first club and the development of the sport in the area.

Match Dates

1. 1880 - 1881
2. 1881 - 1882
3. 1882 - 1883
4. 1883 - 1884
5. 1884 - 1885
6. 1885 - 1886
7. 1886 - 1887
8. 1887 - 1888
9. 1888 - 1889
10. 1889 - 1890

Getting Their Kit On

The early days of cricket in Kirklees were characterized by a lack of formal kit. Players often wore their own clothes, which were typically made of heavy, dark fabric. The first recorded cricket kit was made of a simple, dark-colored tunic and trousers.



Over time, the kit evolved to become more specialized and comfortable. The introduction of synthetic materials and modern manufacturing techniques has led to the development of the high-performance cricket kit we see today.



Home Sweet Home

The development of cricket in Kirklees is closely tied to the growth of the local community. As the population increased, so did the need for dedicated cricket grounds. The first recorded cricket ground in Kirklees was established in the late 18th century.



Today, there are numerous cricket grounds throughout Kirklees, each with its own unique history and character. These grounds continue to play a vital role in the community, providing a place for people to enjoy the sport and connect with their neighbors.



No a Knockout

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Pioneering Internationals

Representation of a 'cricketing' team with several players and their families accompanying them was typical in the early days of cricket in Kirklees. The first team to represent Kirklees in international cricket was the Kirklees Cricket Club, who played their first international match in 1880.



Getting Their 100 On

The development of cricket in Kirklees has been a steady one, with many players achieving significant milestones. In 1900, the first 100 runs were scored in a first-class match in Kirklees, a milestone that paved the way for many more players to follow.



180 Not Out: The Development of Cricket in Kirklees

Thanks to a very special booklet

In 2000, the first 180 Not Out booklet was published. It is a tribute to the players who have made their mark in Kirklees cricket history. The booklet is available to all players and is a must-read for anyone interested in the development of cricket in Kirklees.

- It contains the names of all players who have scored 100 or more runs in first-class matches in Kirklees.
- It also contains the names of all players who have scored 100 or more runs in List A matches in Kirklees.
- It also contains the names of all players who have scored 100 or more runs in county matches in Kirklees.

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Welcome to a very special exhibition!
In 1880 Luddites Road Cricket Club was established,
the first in this part of Yorkshire. This means that cricket
in Kirklees is celebrating its 125th birthday this year.

This exhibition traces the history and legacy of cricket in Kirklees through
various stages and eras. It is a wonderful journey for many reasons:

- Origin: Introduction of cricket
- Development: The growth of cricket with time
- Cultural Heritage: The place of cricket and cricket grounds
- Recreation: Cricket as a recreational activity

We hope you enjoy the exhibition.

Many Thanks

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Test Day & Win the Jubilee

On 1st July 1901, the first Test match was played at the Oval, London. It was a day of cricket, but it was also a day of celebration. The Jubilee was being celebrated and cricket was a popular sport at the time.



Pioneering Internationals

International cricket has a long and varied history. It began in the 18th century and has since become a global sport. The first international match was played in 1799 between England and Scotland.



Dames & Dotes

Cricket has always been a popular sport for both men and women. In the 19th century, women's cricket was particularly popular. It was often played in the parks and grounds of large houses.



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