

WOMEN'S CRICKET UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT



A pioneering cricket historian will be giving a special lecture at the University of Huddersfield.

Dr Philippa Velija, a senior lecturer in Sociology at York St. John University, will be speaking on women and cricket.

And the provocative title of her session is: "'They're all male chauvinistic chumps - Howzat for a view?': Media Representations of Female Cricketers from 1998-2008'.

Dr Velija will be lecturing at the University of Huddersfield Cricket Research Centre - and she'll be the third guest lecturer this academic year.

"It will be wonderful to welcome Dr Velija to Huddersfield," said Centre coordinator Dr Peter Davies.

"She is a distinguished sociologist who has written a number of pathbreaking articles on the sociology of cricket."

Dr Velija's research interests include gender and sport, sport and social exclusion, and sport and social theory.

Her publications include, "'Look it's a Girl': Cricket and Gender Relations in the UK' (Sport in Society) and 'Female Incursions into Cricket's "Male Preserve"' in Tribal Play: Sport Subcultures and Countercultures.

She has also given papers at the Commonwealth Cricket Conference in London and in Montreal, Buenos Aires and Thessaloniki.

The lecture is on Wednesday 24 February – 5.15-6.45 in Room W2/43, Queensgate Campus, University of Huddersfield. All welcome.

See <http://www2.hud.ac.uk/mhm/history/research/cricket> for more details or contact Dr Davies on 01484 472405 or via p.j.davies@hud.ac.uk.