

# EARLY YEARS

## CHURCH LINK

1905 – ORIGINS I

There is speculation that cricket was being played in Wainstalls as far back as 1898.

In 1905 a Wainstalls cricket team, called Mount Pleasant Wesleyans, were definitely competing in the Halifax Amateur Cricket League.





## John Wesley – founder of Methodism

They were obviously a church-based side, linked to the local Methodist church. They played at Cross Roads.

### " D " Section.

Wainstalls Mount Pleasant batsmen had a merry time at the expense of Friendly, compiling 122 ; the principal scorers were W. Greenwood (39), and H. Waddington (23). Then, after hunting the leather a long time, Friendly had a poor time with the bat. Bamforth was always dangerous with the ball, and well assisted by Robinson, Friendly were dismissed for 31.

St. Matthew's fared little better than did Friendly in the batting line. They met Pellon Baptist and could make little headway against Westwood and Naylor, all being out for 24, which total Pellon Baptist passed with seven wickets in hand. Fielding marks were granted J. Robinson (Pellon Baptist) and W. Lumb (St. Matthew's).

# LOCAL COMBAT

1906 – ORIGINS II

A Wainstalls C.C., which probably grew out of Mount Pleasant Wesleyans as they played at Cross Roads, joined the Halifax & District Amateur Cricket Association League.

HALIFAX & DISTRICT AMATEUR CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

Results of Saturday's Matches.

"B" Section.

Norland v. Friendly—Scores:—Norland: C. Longbottom 16, S. Ramaden 3, P. Longbottom 0, G. Washington 0, L. Briggs 27, A. Drake 14, R. Longbottom 2, A. Longbottom 1, B. Briggs 5, A. Rawnsley not out 4, F. Dixon 0, extras 2, total 74. Friendly: B. Wilkinson 8, H. Wilkinson 0, W. Mitchell 5, P. Barrett 0, H. Wood 1, W. Hartley 5, W. Brown 2, C. Hatchidge 0, H. Whitaker not out 7, J. Bentley 2, R. Whiteley 0, extras 4, total 25.

Bowling analyses: Friendly: W. Hartley, 7 overs, 0 maiden, 20 runs, 4 wickets; P. Barrett, 3-0-17-1; B. Wilkinson, 4-4-0-12-3; W. Mitchell, 3-0-2-1. Norland: A. Drake, 5-3-14-6; L. Briggs, 5-2-2-9-3; S. Ramaden, 1-0-0-0.

"An Eleven" Competition.

Norland End v. Friendly End.—The latter team failed to turn up, and in consequence Norland claim two points.

RESULTS UP TO DATE.

"A" Section.

	P.	W.	L.	Drn.	Pts.
Copley .....	14	12	0	2	26
Worley St. John's .....	15	8	5	3	18
Pellon .....	14	7	4	3	17
Beech Hill .....	14	6	4	4	16
Sowerby Bridge C.I. ....	15	5	5	2	12
Biddal .....	14	4	8	2	10
Greotland .....	14	3	7	4	10
Worley .....	14	4	8	2	10
Oates and Green's .....	14	4	9	1	9

The result of the match Sowerby Bridge C.I. v. Greotland is not to hand, but the above table is based on the understanding the Sowerby team were victors.

"B" Section.

Norwood Green .....	16	13	0	3	29
Rishworth .....	16	11	3	2	24
Barkisland .....	16	9	5	2	20
Norland .....	16	9	5	2	20
Luddenden Foot .....	16	7	8	1	15
St. Peter's .....	16	6	8	2	14
Stones .....	16	4	9	3	11
West Vale Baptists .....	16	4	10	2	10
St. George's .....	16	1	14	1	4
Friendly .....	16	1	14	1	4

"C" Section.

Queen's-road .....	16	12	2	1	25
Trinity-road .....	16	11	3	2	24
Stannary .....	15	9	5	1	19
Wainstalls .....	16	8	6	2	18
St. Bernard's .....	14	7	4	3	17
Caddy Field .....	16	6	8	2	14
Middle Dean-street .....	16	5	8	3	13
St. Matthew's .....	16	5	8	3	13
H. Fletcher's .....	16	4	10	2	10
St. Thomas's .....	16	1	14	1	3

The result of the match Stannary v. St. Bernard's is not yet to hand.

"D" Section.

S. Whitley's .....	16	10	2	4	24
St. John's .....	16	11	3	2	24
Fye Nest .....	16	10	4	2	22
Northgate-end .....	16	8	5	3	19
*Elland St. Michael's .....	15	8	4	3	19
Pellon Baptist .....	16	6	6	4	16
Greotland St. Thomas's .....	16	5	7	4	14
*Trinity Wesleyan .....	15	4	9	2	10
Fletcher Bros .....	16	1	11	4	6
Shamrocks .....	16	1	13	2	4

The result of the match Elland St. Michael's v.

This set of tables is from 1906

# UNCERTAINTY AND CONFUSION

1908 – LEAGUE DEPARTURE

By 1908 Wainstalls had exited the Halifax Amateur League.

However, they do not re-appear elsewhere.

Can anybody help us here? Does anyone know what happened to the early Wainstalls C.C.?



# THANK YOU, MR GARNETT

1950 – BIRTH OF WAINSTALLS C.C.

In 1950 Onslow Garnett of local industrialists I & I Calvert donated a piece of land at the junction of Cold Edge Road and Wainstalls Road to the local community.



During the Second World War, this area of land had been used for pasture (cattle and horses) and also mown for hay, but it was soon converted into a cricket pitch and a community centre was built.

This is the moment when the current Wainstalls C.C. was founded.

# LEAGUE OF THEIR OWN

1951 – JOIN HALIFAX AMATEUR ASSOCIATION

Wainstalls joined the Halifax & District Amateur Cricket Association League in 1951.

In their debut year, the 1<sup>st</sup> XI were winners of the Halifax & District Amateur League Division 3 Championship.

**Halifax and District  
Amateur Cricket League**

**FINAL TABLES**

**First Division**

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Warley .....	14	9	1	4	22
Dempsters .....	14	9	2	3	21
S.B.C.I. ....	14	6	6	2	14
Bradshaw .....	14	5	6	3	13
Whitakers .....	14	5	6	3	13
Sagars .....	14	5	7	2	12
Wesley .....	14	4	7	3	11
St. Thomas Street	14	2	10	2	6

**Second Division**

Smiths .....	14	9	2	3	21
Heywood .....	14	8	3	3	19
Dyers .....	14	7	5	2	16
Churchill-Redmans	14	7	5	2	16
Standard Screw ...	14	5	6	3	13
Ovenden .....	14	5	7	2	12
Salem .....	14	3	9	2	8
Asquiths .....	14	2	9	3	7

**Third Division**

Wainstalls .....	14	12	0	2	26
Warley II .....	14	9	2	3	21
S.B.C.I. II .....	14	8	3	3	19
G.P.O. ....	14	7	4	3	17
Road Services ...	14	6	5	3	15
Wesley II .....	14	5	6	3	13
Y.M.C.A. ....	14	5	7	2	12
Whitakers II .....	14	4	7	3	11
St. Mary's .....	14	4	7	3	11
Denfords .....	14	3	8	3	9
Bradshaw .....	14	2	9	3	7
Ovenden II .....	14	2	9	3	7

Will club secretaries note Rule 56 requiring their best averages to be returned to the honorary assistant secretary, Mr. L. H. Anderton, on or before October 1, 1951, to qualify. No averages for Collinson Cup or play-off matches to be included. Wainstalls and Warley meet in the Third Division challenge match at the Barracks this week-end.

# PROMOTION JOY

1952 – DIVISION 2 CHAMPIONS



HALIFAX AMATEUR CRICKET LEAGUE					
1st Division					
	P	W	L	D	Pts
Bradshaw .....	13	6	1	6	18
S.B.C.I. ....	12	6	2	4	16
Warley .....	13	7	4	2	16
Dempsters .....	12	5	4	3	13
Smith's .....	12	6	5	1	13
Heywood .....	11	5	4	2	12
Sagars .....	12	2	9	1	5
Whitakers .....	13	1	9	3	5
2nd Division					
	P	W	L	D	Pts
Wainstalls .....	13	10	1	2	22
Wesley .....	13	9	2	2	20
St. Thomas Street	13	7	2	4	18
Warley 2nd .....	13	6	5	2	14
Ovenden Meth. ...	13	5	6	2	12
Churchill-Redmans	13	4	7	2	10
Asquiths .....	13	1	9	3	5
Dyers .....	13	1	11	1	3

# ALL TIED UP!

## 1956/7 – DIVISION 1 CHAMPIONS

For two years running, Wainstalls 1<sup>st</sup> XI were joint winners of the Halifax and District Amateur League Division 1 Championship.

In 1956 they shared the title with Denfords and S.B.C.I..

With two matches to play the following season, they stood two points behind S.B.C.I. with a game in hand, but were able to make up the deficit.

The two-way tussle eventually ended in stalemate.

## Halifax Amateur Cricket League

	DIVISION 1				
	P	W	L	D	Pts.
S.B.C.I. ....	15	12	3	0	24
Wainstalls .....	14	11	3	0	22
Luddenden Foot ..	14	8	5	1	17
Wesley .....	14	6	5	3	15
Asquiths .....	14	6	6	2	14
Denfords .....	14	4	8	2	10
Sagars .....	14	4	8	2	10
Churchill-Red. ....	14	3	8	3	9
St. Thomas Street	15	3	11	1	7

# SWINGING SIXTIES!

1960s – DECADE OF ACHIEVEMENT



The 1960s were an extremely successful decade for the infant club:

1960 - 1<sup>st</sup> XI winners of Halifax and District Amateur League Division 1 Championship.  
2nd XI win Mackintosh Cup.

1961 - 1<sup>st</sup> XI winners of Halifax and District Amateur League Division 1 Championship.

1962 - 1<sup>st</sup> XI winners of Halifax and District Amateur League Division 1 Championship.

1963 - 1<sup>st</sup> XI winners of Halifax and District Amateur League Division 1 Championship.  
2nd XI win Mackintosh Cup.

1964 - Win Collinson Cup.

## 50 YEARS OF CHAMPIONS DIVISION ONE - FREE PRESS CUP

1953	Warley	1978	R.A.F.A
1954	R.A.F.A	1979	Wheatley Libs
1955	S.B.C.I	1980	R.A.F.A
1956	Denfords / S.B.C.I / Wainstalls	1981	Hebden Bridge
1957	S.B.C.I / Wainstalls	1982	Ovenden
1958	Denfords	1983	Peglers
1959	Denfords	1984	Peglers
1960	Wainstalls	1985	Queens Rd Muslims
1961	Wainstalls	1986	Peglers
1962	Wainstalls	1987	Queens Rd Muslims
1963	Wainstalls	1988	Woodhall
1964	Asquiths	1989	Wainstalls I
1965	Asquiths	1990	Whetley Motors
1966	Hebden Bridge Salem	1991	Woodhall
1967	Hebden Bridge Salem	1992	Whetley Motors I
1968	Hebden Bridge Salem	1993	Whetley Motors II
1969	X.G.P.O	1994	Whetley Motors I
1970	Wainstalls	1995	Whetley Motors I
1971	Butlers	1996	Bankfoot
1972	Luddendenfoot	1997	Kashmir Foundation
1973	Bridgeholme	1998	Taxes
1974	Peglers	1999	Taxes
1975	R.A.F.A	2000	Kashmir
1976	Hebden Bridge	2001	Queens Road Muslims
1977	Ovenden	2002	Queens Road Muslims
		2003	Queens Road Muslims

## DIVISION TWO - SIMPSON HINCHCLIFFE CUP

1952	Wainstalls	1977	Old Crossleyans
1953	Wesley	1978	Illingworth Libs
1954	S.B.C.I. II	1979	Wainstalls
1955	Asquiths	1980	Illingworth Libs
1956	Luddendenfoot	1981	Southowram
	R.A.F.A	1982	Todmorden III
1957	Fleming / Birkby &	1983	Moorside I
1958	Goodhall / S.B.C.I II	1984	Bfd Indians
1959	Frank Slaters	1985	Paris Gates I
1960	X.G.P.O	1986	Wainstalls I
1961	Asquiths	1987	Bridgeholme I
1962	Denfords	1988	Halifax Salem I
1963	Pratts	1989	Whetley Motors
1964	Hebden Bridge Salem	1990	Ovenden
1965	Bridgeholme	1991	Wesley
1966	R.A.F.A	1992	Bankfoot
1967	Wesley	1993	West End I
1968	Ovenden Meths	1994	Walsden
1969	Butlers	1995	Greetland Village
1970	Ovenden Meths	1996	Stirk Bridge
1971	Luddendenfoot	1997	Queens Rd Muslims
1972	Bridgeholme II	1998	Greetland Village
1973	Wainstalls	1999	New Riding
1974	Butlers	2000	Walsden
1975	Hebden Bridge	2001	Stirk Bridge
1976	Halifax III	2002	Paris Gates

# HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS

CLUB HQ



Throughout the 1960s and 1970s, Wainstalls played their home games at a ground just behind the Delters pub (New Delight as was), in the heart of the village.



# HAT-TRICK OF TITLES

## 1970s – TREBLE JOY

Wainstalls began the 1970s with a bang, with the 1<sup>st</sup> XI claiming the Halifax & District Amateur League Division 1 Championship.

In 1973 they netted the Division 2 title – and in 1978 the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI bagged the Mackintosh Cup.

### THE MACKINTOSH CUP (Best Second Team)

1960	Wainstalls II
1961	Luddendenfoot II
1962	Luddendenfoot II
1963	Wainstalls II
1964	Luddendenfoot II
1965	Wesley II
1966	Hebden Bridge Salem II
1967	Wesley II / Hebden Bridge Salem II
1968	Luddendenfoot II
1969	Luddendenfoot II
1970	Luddendenfoot II
1971	Wesley II
1972	Bridgeholme II
1973	Bridgeholme II
1974	Whetley Liberals*
1975	Hebden Bridge II
1976	R.A.F.A. II
1977	R.A.F.A. II
1978	Wainstalls II
1979	Wainstalls II
1980	Ovenden II
1981	Wainstalls II
1982	Ovenden II
1983	Southwram II
1984	Queens Road Muslims II
1985	Paris Gates II
1986	Wainstalls II
1987	Greetland Village II
1988	Paris Gates II
1989	Paris Gates II / Bridgeholme II
1990	Paris Gates II
1991	Whetley Motors II
1992	Whetley Motors II
1993	Bridgeholme II
1994	Bridgeholme II
1995	Paris Gates II
1996	Bridgeholme II
1997	Paris Gates II
1998	Bridgeholme II
1999	West End II
2000	Wainstalls II
2001	New Riding II
2002	New Riding II
2003	West End II

# BEER AND SANDWICHES

1979 – GROUND MOVE



In 1979 Wainstalls moved into the field behind the Crossroads Inn, previously owned by Websters Brewery.

In the same year the 1<sup>st</sup> XI scooped the Halifax and District Amateur League Division 2 title and the 2nd XI bagged the Mackintosh Cup.