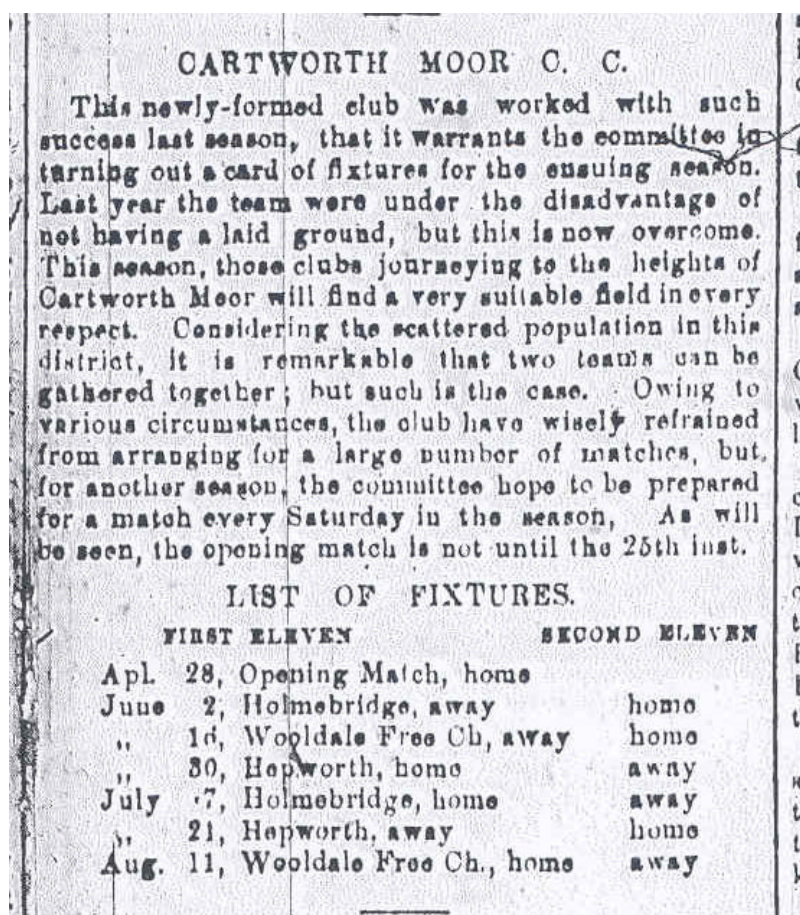


## CARTWORTH MOOR CC

### THE EARLY YEARS

# 1887 FIXTURE LIST

## ORIGINS



A local newspaper report of 1887 stated:

*Given the scattered population in this district, it is remarkable two teams can be gathered together on a regular basis, but such is the case.*

In the 1887 season, Cartworth locked horns with several other clubs - Holmebridge, Wooldale Free Church and Hepworth -

home and away. Within a few years, their fixture list had expanded:

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This club continues to show signs of improvement in its constitution. The bazaar has placed it on a very sound and satisfactory foundation, so that the club lacks no material support with a prosperous future. The fixture list is quite as strong if not stronger than usual, and as will be seen the team has to meet Holmfirth 2nd in the Cup Ties. Holmfirth Tradesmen also visit the club's ground.

May 7	Scholes, a
" 14	Wooldale, a
" 21	Thurstonland, h
" 28	Birdsedge, h
June 4	Shepley, a
" 6	Midhope, a
" 7	Holmfirth Tradesmen, h
" 11	Midhope, h
" 18	Holmfirth 2nd, Cup Tie a
" 25	Lindley Parish Church, h
July 2	Clayton West a
" 16	Lindley Parish Church, a
" 23	Clayton West, h
" 30	Netherthong, h
Aug. 6	Shepley, h
" 13	Scholes, h
" 20	Birdsedge, a
" 27	Thurstonland, a
Sept. 3	Wooldale, h
" 10	Netherthong, a
" 17	Holmfirth 2nd, a

The Club joined the Huddersfield & District Combination and the Huddersfield Association.

# STRANGE TAIL...

1906 - DOGS AND SWAMPS

Cartworth Moor must have visited Lydgate on a particularly wet day in 1906. A ball hit by one of the home batsmen got lost in a swamp, inside the boundary!

The umpire allowed all NINE of the runs which were subsequently scored to be added to the home total. This caused Cartworth Moor to write to the Huddersfield Cricket Association, asking for the match to be replayed.

The letter also enquired if, *'the Umpire was justified in giving Lydgate two runs for a ball that never went to the boundary, but struck a dog on the field of play'*.



The committee decided that the NINE runs recorded for the lost ball should count as six and that the Lydgate club should be asked to fence the swamp!

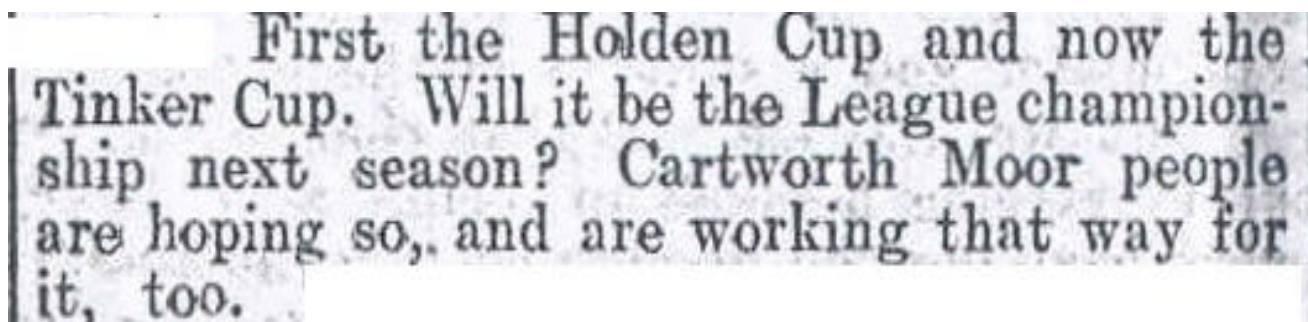
The club featured in the minutes of early Association meetings. For example:

*12 August 1913 - 'Suggs' bat received in payment of advertisement was put up for auction and knocked down to Cartworth Moor for 8s.*

*21 September 1915 - That we pay Cartworth Moor sixpence for having the Lumb Cup box repaired.*

# RAMSDEN SEALS IT!

1935 – TINKER CUP WINNERS



First the Holden Cup and now the Tinker Cup. Will it be the League championship next season? Cartworth Moor people are hoping so, and are working that way for it, too.

As the *Holmfirth Express* noted above, Cartworth Moor's first Tinker Cup success reflected the growing strength of the Club in the 1930s.

It came in the sixth season of the competition, when Scholes were defeated in the final. The key to their success on the day was the bowling of A. Kaye, who had been regarded as an occasional bowler despite taking seven wickets on two previous occasions that season.

He took 6 wickets for 20 runs, as Scholes were dismissed 83 short of their target. The chief contribution to Cartworth Moor's 169 came from Swallow, who scored 55.

The final act of the victory occurred after, *'A. Goddard and H. Cartwright had assumed a "sticking" attitude. N. Ramsden came on again, and a straight one from him finished the innings at 79.'*

# MOOR JOY...BUT WAR IN SIGHT

1914 – LUMB CUP WINNERS

The *Holmfirth Express* cricket correspondent had little doubt that Cartworth Moor would win the Lumb Cup in 1914. After the final, he reflected that:

*Cartworth Moor was an eleven which were going so strong that we had every confidence they would be in at the finish in the competition for the Lumb Cup...Their form was so consistent and their splendid allround display led one to assume the role prophet with a quiet confidence.*

In the final, Woodhouse were defeated in a *'one-sided affair'* at Armitage Bridge. After faring badly *'against those trundlers with cricket patronymics, S. Jessop and Booth'*, Woodhouse were dismissed for 62.

# CRICKET.

HONOURS OF THE SEASON - FOR SLAI-  
THWAITE AND CARTWORTH MOOR.

In response *'the Moorsmen'* passed this total for the loss of just three wickets. In summary the *Express* correspondent said that *'Cartworth Moor have shown other clubs in the Holme Valley how to do things. Will these other clubs take the hint?'*

## WARTIME SUCCESS

1916 – ASSOCIATION TRIUMPH

As the local newspaper put it: *'Some of the Cartworth Moor players should have medals enough soon to open a jeweller's shop. By virtue of their most recent victory over Moldgreen they qualified for yet another emblem of this character, and this evening, I understand, they will bring home the trophy of the Huddersfield Cricket Association.'* And note the reference to the Great War in the last line.

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However, I have been able to scrape together one or two interesting facts about this particular match. Cartworth Moor went in first and totalled 96, and Moldgreen responded with 57. Harry Mellor, I understand, played a "champion" innings for the visitors. He went in early on and came out last man with 40 to his credit. Of course, he had some assistance. S. Heap stayed along with him for a decent period, and later on H. Berry was a capital partner. If any other stayed for a while, omission of mention does not mean that they do not deserve such recognition. I haven't their names, and you can't make bricks without straw.

The visitors were fully entitled to congratulate themselves upon their batting display, and it is quite probable they would have made an even better show had not Harry Mellor received a nasty knock when he had got into his stride. The Cartworth Moor bowling was never really collared. G. A. Booth operated all through at one end, and claimed five wickets for 22 runs. George Pollard captured three for 12, F. Goldwell took a wicket in an incomplete over, and S. Jessop also managed a wicket. Almost from the beginning the visitors held the measure of their Moldgreen rivals, and fully deserved the

honours of the match. At the best, few teams in their class can vanquish Cartworth Moor.

The point now is: can Cartworth Moor repeat their last Saturday's performance this afternoon? They met Moldgreen in the first round of the Lamb Cup Competition. I wish them every success. Indeed, I should like them to emulate their performance of two seasons ago, when, it will be remembered, they carried off this trophy. But with only the first round on the tapes, it is rather too early to talk about their prospects, is it not? However, while they are down Huddersfield way, they are going to bring the other Cup home this evening, and if you hear a merry lot of fellows singing lustily, you must not run away with the idea that Berlin has yet fallen. It will mean that the "lads" from Cartworth Moor are bringing their trophy home.

# 85 YEARS AND STILL GOING STRONG...

1920 – HUDDERSFIELD CENTRAL LEAGUE

The Club joined the Huddersfield Central League in 1920 and have remained there ever since.



Landmarks in the Club's history include 1935 and 1959 when the Tinker Cup was won - and 1974, when Cartworth Moor clinched the Tinker Cup and Section C 'Double'.