

THE CRICKET

History of Calderdale & Kirklees

GOLCAR CC

ON-FIELD & OFF-FIELD EVENTS AT GOLCAR CRICKET CLUB

Club founded as St. Johns Golcar Cricket Club; played at Scar Bottom.

Move ground to Low Westwood Bottom.

Move ground to Knowle Bank.

Move ground to present site, Swallow Lane (Town End).

Undefeated in challenge matches all season; bowl Slaithwaite out for 8!

Change name to Golcar C.C..

YEAR

1871

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EVENTS IN GOLCAR, THE COLNE VALLEY AND THE WORLD

Mrs Sarah Whitham (landlady of New Inn, Golcar, now Scape House Inn) is killed in an accident at Golcar railway station. She was apparently returning home after going into Huddersfield to pay for pub's beer licence. **Chicago Fire.**

Second Carlist War in Spain.

Verne's *Around the World...*

7th Company of 34th West Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers holds its annual supper at the Junction Inn. **Japan invades Taiwan.**

Civil Rights Act passed in America.

Bell invents telephone.

Edison invents phonograph.

Berlin Congress.

Edison invents electric light bulb.

Mosquito found to carry malaria.

Cambridge Tripos open to women.

Swan public house holds its first Red Cabbage and Celery Show. This show was promoted by Leymoor Vegetable Society. **Married Women's Property Act.**

French painter Manet dies.

Stand at Golcar racetrack collapses. **Greenwich made meridian of world.**

First electric tramcar in Blackpool.

Join Huddersfield Cricket Association (an organisation, not a league).

1886

Hardy's *The Mayor of Casterbridge*.

1887

Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee.

1888

First box camera.

1889

Eiffel Tower built.

1890

London's first electric Underground.

1891

Pope Leo XIII condemns socialism.

Founder members of Huddersfield & District Cricket League.

1892

Electric oven invented.

1893

Invention of the Aspirin.

Bazaar raises £264.

1894

Dreyfus Affair begins in France.

Ground re-laid; bazaar raises £300.

1895

Invention of the X-Ray.

1896

First modern Olympic Games held.

1897

Victoria's Diamond Jubilee.

1898

Birth of Bertolt Brecht.

Huddersfield League champions.

1899

First Hague Peace Conference.

1900

Zeppelin invents the airship.

1901

Birth of Marlene Dietrich.

1902

Marie Curie discovers radioactivity.

1903

Henry Ford sets up company.

Huddersfield League champions.

1904

Britain and France sign Entente.

1905

Golcar Sing takes place on the site of Golcar cricket field.

Percy Holmes makes Golcar debut.

Revolution breaks out in Russia.

1906

First radio programme broadcast.

1907

First Daily Comic Strip.

1908

Cubism founded in Paris.

1909

Synthetic plastic invented.

1910

Halley's comet reappears.

1911

Amundsen reaches South Pole.

1912

Titanic sinks.

1913

Suffragette demonstrations.

1914

Start of First World War.

Arthur Shaw, founder of St. Johns Golcar Cricket Club and

1915

Einstein's *Theory of Relativity*.

1916

Battle of Verdun. Easter Rising.

Huddersfield League, found dead in River Colne following accident.

Buy Swallow Lane end of ground for £625.

Bazaar raises £900

Bowling Green end of ground bought for £400.

Low finish places Golcar in Section 'B' when Huddersfield League splits into two divisions.

Promoted to Section 'A'.

Wilfred Rhodes plays for Golcar at Slaithwaite; bazaar raises £677.

New pavilion completed at cost of £1,254 is opened by Yorkshire captain Brian Sellers; joint Huddersfield League champions with Slaithwaite; Schweppes Cup runners-up; 2nd XI share Paddock Shield with Linthwaite.

Huddersfield League champions; joint 2nd XI champions with Lockwood.

2nd XI champions.

Sykes Cup runners-up, losing final to Lascelles Hall by 7 wickets.

Club raises money for Golcar Comfort Fund (sent to

- 1917 Russian Revolution.
- 1918 World-wide flu epidemic.
- 1919 Treaty of Versailles.
- 1920 First roadside petrol station in UK.
- 1921 First birth control clinic.
- 1922 Mussolini's March on Rome.
- 1923 First Wembley FA Cup final.
- 1924 Hitler's *Mein Kampf*.
- 1925 Charleston dance.
- 1926 General Strike. Adoption legalised.
- 1927 Lindbergh's solo flight over Atlantic.
- 1928 *Lady Chatterley's Lover*.
- 1929 Wall Street Crash.
- 1930 Planet Pluto discovered.
- 1931 Empire State Building built.

- 1932 British Union of Fascists born.
- 1933 Hitler becomes Chancellor.

- 1934 Mao Tse-tung's 'Long March'.

- 1935 Pedestrian crossings introduced.

- 1936 Edward VIII abdicates.
- 1937 Colne Valley Urban District Council created. Billy Butlin opens camp.
- 1938 Paid holidays start. Biro invented.
- 1939 Beginning of Second World War.

- 1940 National Government formed.

servicemen abroad); all members serving in forces granted free membership;

Andrew Taylor wins club batting prize for 11th time in 12 seasons;

John Brearley wins club bowling prize for 9th consecutive season.

Huddersfield League champions;

Members permit bowls on Sundays.

Golcar relegated to Section 'B' and play in first tied Sykes Cup match v Almondbury (both teams 85 all out);

Almondbury win replay.

2nd XI champions.

Promoted to Section 'A'.

All debts, including mortgages on ground and buildings, liquidated;

improvements made to premises.

Golcar v Holmfirth - famous for a remarkable recovery as Golcar's innings was rescued from the depths of 78 for 8 by no.10 P. Shaw who hit 88, raising the total to 233 all out.

First of 7 seasons without a pro as Club keeps tight control on expenditure; £150 spent on 'sodding the ground', which is still recovering from World War II interlude.

Relegated to Section 'B'.

Raymond Hall wins League bowling prize, averaging 8.18

- 1941 Germany invade USSR.
- 1942 British victorious at El Alamein.
- 1943 Warsaw Ghetto uprising.
- 1944 D-Day. Paris liberated.

- 1945 Auschwitz liberated.

- 1946 Iron Curtain descends on Europe.
- 1947 Truman Doctrine unveiled.
- 1948 State of Israel founded.

- 1949 NATO established.

- 1950 Petrol rationing ends in Britain.
- 1951 Golcar Scout Group is formed.
Festival of Britain opens.

- 1952 Elizabeth II crowned.
- 1953 Everest conquered.
- 1954 Dylan Thomas's *Under Milk Wood*.
- 1955 Colne Valley High school is built.
Commercial TV starts in Britain.

- 1956 Elvis releases *All Shook Up*.
- 1957 Queen's first Christmas broadcast.
- 1958 Munich air disaster.

Promoted to Section 'A'; lose Sykes Cup final to Paddock by 7 wickets before record crowd of 3,638.

Social club renovated.

Relegated to Section 'B'.
Win Hopkinson Trophy.
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Professional Brian Turner tops Huddersfield League bowling averages for third time in four seasons. Win Hopkinson Trophy.
Promoted to Section 'A'; Examiner 8-a-side champions.
Runners-up in Yorkshire Champions Trophy, losing final to Bradford League champions East Bierley.

1959	Postcodes introduced in Britain.
1960	Sputnik 'dogs' go into space.
1961	First oral contraceptive.
1962	Beatles release <i>Love Me Do</i> .
1963	Kennedy assassinated.
1964	<i>Sun</i> founded. First <i>Top of the Pops</i> .
1965	First US raids against Vietnam.
1966	England win World Cup.
1967	First heart transplant. Six Day War.
1968	BST introduced. Riots in Paris.
1969	First men land on moon.
1970	Colne Valley Museum opens. Heath becomes PM.
1971	Decimalisation of coinage.
1972	Colne Valley Museum wins BBC Chronicle Prize for work in industrial archaeology. Britain begins direct rule in NI.
1973	Britain enters EEC.
1974	Nixon resigns over Watergate.
1975	First North Sea oil. Equal Pay Act.
1976	Drought Act during hot summer.
1977	Queen's Silver Jubilee. Elvis dies.
1978	World's first 'test tube' baby.
1979	Thatcher becomes PM.
1980	Lennon assassinated.
1981	SDP launch. Charles and Di wed.
1982	Argentina invades Falklands.
1983	Start of breakfast TV. Seat belt law.
1984	IRA bomb at Tory conference.
1985	Al Fayed buys Harrods. Live Aid.
1986	GLC abolished.

Win Section 'B'.

Financial difficulties; Club trading on understanding that Lloyds Bank overdraft facilities remain extended.

Huddersfield League runners-up; successful six-match tour of Barbados begins bi-annual visits to the island; win Lodge Cup; two building plots sold at Swallow Lane End to repay bank overdraft and restore economic viability.

Relegated to Section 'B'; Clare Taylor, former Golcar scorer, earns winners' medal in Women's World Cup Final; win Lodge Cup.

John Cooper becomes highest run-scorer in history of Huddersfield League.

Northern champions of ECB Indoor 6-a-side tournament; losing semi-finalists to eventual winners, Broadstairs, in national finals at Lord's.

Clare Taylor, dual England cricket and football international, receives MBE for services to women's sport.

1st XI and 2nd XI (together) win David Boulton Memorial Trophy.

Pro Atul Bedade hits Sykes Cup record 234 not out v Hall Bower, sharing unbeaten 9th wicket stand of 162 with Richard Hall, a League 9th wicket record.

Golcar add Under-11 team to Under-13, -15 and -17 sides; 4 junior teams is most in Club's history.

Promoted to Section 'A' as Cedar Court Conference Champions.

1987

Zeebrugge tragedy.

1988

Lockerbie disaster.

1989

Berlin Wall torn down.

1990

Poll Tax riots. Thatcher resigns.

1991

Robert Maxwell drowns at sea.

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Coal industry privatised.

1993

Maastricht Treaty.

1994

Channel Tunnel open.

1995

Nick Leeson brings down Barings.

1996

BSE beef scare in UK.

1997

Princess Diana killed in car crash.

1998

Good Friday peace agreement.

1999

World population hits 6 billion.

2000

Hatfield train disaster.

2001

9/11 terrorist attack. Foot & Mouth.

2002

Golcar hosts the Northern Hamster Show. UK snubs Euro.

2003

England win Rugby World Cup.

2004

EU enlarged to 25 states.

New changing complex and scoreboard opened, costing £75,000; funded by sale of land occupied by Victorian pavilion at Swallow Lane end. CRICKET HERITAGE EXHIBITIONS

2005

Tsunami hits Asia.