

NEW FACILITIES

Roy Wainwright on working on the ground

I've been more involved at the cricket club in recent times. I've been helping the groundsman. There are three of us who help out – we've got time enough to help. Mowing and rolling – that kind of thing. A couple of hours here and there. My son-in-law also captains the 2nd XI.



There have been dramatic changes at the club. The old pavilion was a brick building, but it was pretty basic and didn't have toilets, for example. The grant we got in the 1990s was a fantastic boost. Everyone at the club was in favour of redeveloping the facilities.

Kids have started to flock in. We've now got Under-11, Under-13, Under-15 and Under-17 teams. It's great to have so many local youngsters, and it keeps them off the streets. In fact, the new facilities have been a catalyst – they've really helped to draw people in, both parents and children. We've got professional coaches, too, who help with all the sides.

In fact, I'd say we've got a very good set-up generally. We've also got a good committee, who meet every fortnight to discuss club matters.