

FILLING UP WITH BEER!

Ronnie Ellis (below right) on his background

My father brought me here when I was young. We lived in Tong Street. I first came when I was 10 and I'm now 75 – so I've been associated with the club for 65 years.

I remember the scoreboard when I was young. It used to be changed every 10 runs or every time a wicket fell. I think it might also have indicated how many the last man got.



The pavilion was a wooden hut with a veranda, sited where the changing rooms are now. This was knocked down in 1974.

The brick clubhouse was opened in 1933 and extended in the late 1970s; we also built the tea room and the veranda we're now sitting in. I remember that when we had the old clubhouse the steward would pass pumps out of the window so spectators could fill up with beer!