

BRADSHAW GROUNDHOGS F.C.

But, the phenomenon was I believe conceived more than a couple of years before (Yes, at the end of the 60s) with a 'first date' at Highlands Grammar School, followed by some 'Foreplay' at Bradshaw Cricket Club before being 'conceived' and nurtured in the 'warm womb', the Bradshaw Tavern courtesy of Ida and Norman.

Alright enough of this Gynaecological comparison! The point I am trying to make is that the basis of the Bradshaw Groundhogs was established long before the football club. Friendships started at Highlands were to provide the backbone of the first season with Lambert, Sutcliffe, Bedford, Ellis, Doherty all being involved with the Cricket Club and later joined by Evans, Hoyle, Collins and Coulter amongst others as Tavern regulars. The Groundhogs core were a mix of people male and female, footballers and supporters who gelled together in the pursuit of a good time and it was the start of an exciting era. Perhaps at a later stage, someone (maybe me) will record the almost week to week adventures we had! Suffice to say that the Great Re-Union will be focused on the football aspect of the Hogs, but it will be based on Great Friendships between some very special people. Hope to see you there.

Cheers,

Pellet

North American Groundhog

PS: the actual average gestation period of the North American is 32 days (stop it!!!)