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Sohail Signs!

The club have been handed an early Christmas present in the shape of Sohail Raz joining the re-shaped first eleven.

The 20 year old paceman has come up through the junior ranks at Hunslet Nelson CC and enjoyed a fine season in the Central Yorkshire League Premier Division last summer taking 38 wickets having been instrumental the season before in guiding Hunslet Nelson to promotion with 45 wickets.

Captain Craig Hitchenor was understandably pleased to have secured the services of Sohail and had this to say: "I am delighted Sohail will be part of our new look side for next term, his services were coveted by clubs in the Central Yorkshire League and elsewhere and we are very pleased to land an exciting young talent. Along with our other new recruit Alex Hewitt and myself we are now confident we have enough quality in the seam bowling department". Hitch added: "I genuinely do not believe we would have recruited any differently had we escaped relegation so it is up to the team to produce consistently and make sure we bounce straight back".

In terms of any further recruitment Hitch added: "We are in contact with a high quality overseas batsman and also hope to acquire another top order batsman to complement the talents of Jonny Reynolds, Simon Webb and Kasir Maroof, it is important we finalise the side as soon as possible and we can get down to the serious business of pre-season and making sure our preparations for Division 2 are spot on"

We welcome Sohail to Baildon and wish him a successful first season.