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The pressure is on for Lord's Cricket Ground

British company E Richards, established in 1893 has put the pressure on for Lord's Cricket Ground by providing its traditional brass valves. The hand made valves complement the Victorian cast iron radiators that feature in the historic Grade II* listed Pavilion which has just undergone an £8million refurbishment.

The solid brass Empire Thermostatic handwheel valves have been chosen for their traditional appearance which has been copied from an original design used during the 1920s and 1930s. The valves which are handmade in Britain have been especially engineered so that they are compatible with historic Victorian and Nouveau cast iron radiators.

Paul Trace, Managing Director of E Richards is delighted:

"We are proud that E Richards has been given this opportunity to continue our tradition in supplying hand made products to historical events and projects. Originally a blacksmiths in 1893, E Richards was contracted in 1914-1918 to HM Government for the supply of horse shoes, nails and a range of brackets and in 1939 it also supplied the War Dept with components for tanks and bailey bridges. Over a hundred years later, our brass valves now control the heat at one of the most famous buildings in world sport!"

The refurbishment of the pavilion at Lord's Cricket Ground took seven months to complete and officially recently re-opened with a launching ceremony attended by Tom Graveney, the MCC President and former English batsman.

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