

# THORNTON CLEVELEYS RUFC NEWSLETTER



March 2022

*95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*

## TC END OF SEASON SUMMER BALL

Please keep your eyes peeled for further information regarding the Summer Ball. Preliminary information is shown below.

### SAVE THE DATE

**DATE: 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY**





**PRICE: £35PP**

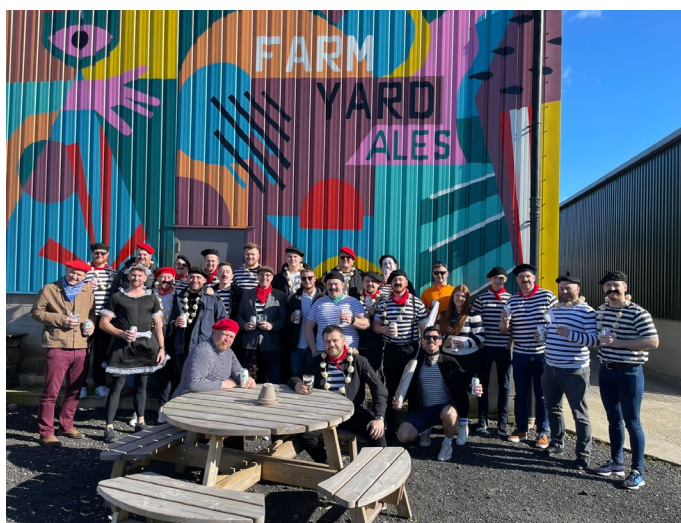
**LOCATION: SAVOY HOTEL**

### WALKING RUGBY

Walking Rugby is now being held for all members at 6.30pm every Thursday down at Thornton YMCA. It's an excellent way to keep fit and catch up with old mates. Contact Terry Ryan for more info.

## FIXTURES AND RESULTS

	5 <sup>th</sup> March 2022: Congleton (Away)	Away Walk Over
	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2022: Tyldesley (Home)	23-21 Won
	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2022: Heaton Moor (Away)	45-56 (2x BPW)
	26 <sup>th</sup> March 2022: New Brighton (Away)	17-33 Won



*Players and Old Boys converge on new sponsor Farm Yard Ales in full French attire.*

## Other News

**\*DOC's EASTER LUNCH CONFIRMED FOR 9<sup>th</sup> APRIL\***

### Charity Walk in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support

Luke Bennett, current 1<sup>st</sup> XV hooker, and his mum, Louise are walking from Fleetwood to St. Annes and back to raise funds for Macmillan at the end of May. Luke and Louise completed the challenge last year and the club is so proud of their achievement, we will do all we can to support. The walk is 26 Miles (a Marathon) and we are looking for volunteers to help raise funds and do all, half or individual legs of the walk alongside the warrior mother and son duo. If you want to get involved, there will be more comms to come soon but so keep your eyes peeled.

### 200 CLUB - MARCH

£30 – M. Pearson

£20 – T. Ryan

£10 – P. Smythe

Please can all winners make themselves known to JJ McKinnon ASAP – 07701 367287



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## **RUGBY REPORT**

After a couple of solid wins in February, March began a little flat with Congleton conceding their home fixture vs. TC due to unsuitable facilities. The sports centre where the changing facilities are were undergoing renovations and with it being a solid 2 hour bus drive, it was unreasonable to request the lads to not shower etc. Alternative solutions were offered (reversing the fixture) however Congleton were not willing and so the 5 points were awarded to TC.

The following week, we hosted rivals Tyldesley who had beaten TC on 3 previous occasions. In a thrilling and tense encounter, The Larks came out on top, continuing their winning streak.

Next up was the rearranged Heaton Moor fixture which had been confirmed as a DOUBLE HEADER due to running out of weekends for another rearrangement. A skirmish into Manchester bore fruits for TC as they plundered a full 10 Points with an amazing Try Bonus Point win!

**PLEASE FOLLOW THE LINK BELOW TO WATCH THE GAME.**

**Please Note: There may be no sound**

<https://app.veo.co/matches/20220319-1st-xv-v-thornton-cleveleys-19322/>

Finally, to end March with a bang, The Larks again headed away on the long journey over to Cheshire to face New Brighton in another belting encounter. After a cagey affair, TC rode off into the sunset with the spoils again, making it 6 wins on the bounce and catapulting the 1<sup>st</sup> XV into 5<sup>th</sup> place in the league for a brief period.

## **WALKING RUGBY**

A combined, invitational squad including players from TC's Walking Rugby Team competed in a Walking Rugby Beach Tournament held on St. Annes sands. The Fylde Coast Barbarians saw off competition from Kendal, Gloucester and Yorkshire to finish in 1<sup>st</sup> place UNDEFEATED!

Walking Rugby has gone from strength to strength at TC and it's all down to the efforts of the Old Boys. Keep doing us proud lads!



### **NEW SPONSORSHIP ALERT**

Stocks and Shillings in Poulton have now sponsored TCRUFC. If anyone is in Poulton and fancies a pint, please pop in and say you are a representative of the club!

