

NEWBURY BLUES



**REGIONAL 2 TRIBUTE SOUTH CENTRAL
2022 – 2023 SEASON**

WELCOME

I'd like to wish all our members and supporters a warm welcome back for the 2022/23 season, and it does feel like we are properly "back" following the roller coaster of the last couple of years. Last year gave us time to get back playing and into the sport that we all love, and provided us with a great platform to move forward. We have much to celebrate. We still have 21 teams across all age groups of the club and have an ambition to increase that number this year with the introduction of a "walking rugby" team which we hope will be launched soon. We have a new Chair of Rugby in Alasdair Heath with Chris Smith the new Vice Chair and the rugby committee have agreed that we should aim to have at least two senior teams playing each week (men and women). We welcome two senior team Head Coaches this season - James McAvoy (men) and Niki Paton (women) and are delighted that Paul Archer & Darren Brown, our two previous Head Coaches, have moved across to lead player and coaching development of the senior teams.

With the work that the leadership teams have been doing over recent years I am delighted at the end of last season we finally broke even, clawing back the club's debt of many years. Membership income is key to this and we need to ensure that we continue to offer fantastic facilities and service to both playing and supporting members, provide opportunities for members to use the club for private functions and events and for us to grow our membership numbers this year, to ensure our future is secure and sustainable. As Club Chair I would like to invite every member to meet my challenge of encouraging at least one family member or friend to join NRFC this season.

As in previous years I have received many messages from individual members, who have taken the time to share their support for what we stand for at NRFC, the work that we do and the way in which we conduct ourselves throughout the club. We should all take pride in that feedback, I know I do.

Finally, I hope you enjoy today's game. Don't forget to log-in to our website to pick up the latest news in "Blues News – Keeping in Touch" to keep up to-date with what's going on at the club and the next big game or event. As always, if you would like to get more involved in supporting our club, then please get in touch or chat to me or any member of the Management Board or Committee at the game. I wish all our teams good luck for this season – taking pride in putting on that blue shirt!

Kind regards,

Louise Goodall - Club Chair



NEWBURY BLUES FIXTURES 2022-23

REGIONAL 2 SOUTH CENTRAL						
03-Sep	Shipston-on-Stour	(A)		03 Dec	Stow-on-the-Wold	(A)
10-Sep	Stow-on-the-Wold	(H)		10 Dec	Marlborough	(H)
17 Sep	Marlborough	(A)		17 Dec	Tottonians	(A)
24 Sep	Tottonians	(H)		07 Jan	Buckingham	(H)
01 Oct	Buckingham	(A)		14 Jan	Devizes	(A)
15 Oct	Devizes	(H)		21 Jan	Grove	(H)
22 Oct	Grove	(A)		28 Jan	Swindon	(A)
29 Oct	Swindon	(H)		11 Feb	Witney	(H)
05 Nov	Witney	(A)		18 Feb	Reading	(H)
12 Nov	Reading	(A)		04 Mar	Salisbury	(A)
26 Nov	Salisbury	(H)		11 Mar	Shipston-on-Stour	(H)

For information about all sections of our club, please visit our website.
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Monks Lane, Newbury, Berks RG14 7RW Tel: 01635 230023



BLUES NEWS



NEWBURY BLUES v BUCKINGHAM RFC SATURDAY 7TH JANUARY 2023, KO 3PM

Happy New Year to you all. May this year bring brighter news and put a stop to all the doom and gloom of 2022, and where better to start than today at Monks Lane!!

Today, we entertain Buckingham RFC who are without doubt one of the friendliest and most welcoming clubs in our league. I hope you have an excellent day here and we return at least some of the hospitality always shown whenever we visit you.

The Blues currently lie a very creditable 5th in the league, with over 40 players already representing them this season; there have been an excellent number of Newbury's youth section coming through to earn their caps plus some new players. Quite a learning curve, with an optimistic future for all of them.

This is now a short season for this league, following the restructure, now ending mid-March, but there will be a Papa John's knockout tournament involving after the end of the season, which will involve two men's sides. We will keep you posted when we have more information about this tournament.

The Women start 2023 with 100% record, sitting top of their league and eager to continue their excellent form. Well done and keep it going!!

On Boxing Day we hosted the annual memorial game against Hungerford, with 40 Newbury players and 30 Hungerford players donning their boots at various times to have a run out. What a great success the day was, reflecting all that's good about rugby friendship and values. .

The Christmas lunch with 230 plus guests was a very successful day, despite no Blues game that day. The food was fantastic, the bar takings were great and everyone supporting the day was amazing. I would like to thank everyone for coming as not a rugby ball was kicked on the day due to the weather and the lunch turned into a very long session for some!! . A great rugby day ironically!!

Today we say 'Thank You' to our Life Members who are invited to a special lunch in their honour, upstairs in the Wickens suite. Without these members who have gone way above and beyond the call of duty, there would be no rugby club here; their selfless volunteering and active involvement has kept our club and rugby traditions, which are so fundamental to our approach to life at Newbury RFC. We are a community club which proudly calls itself a family. Let us never forget the value of our history and if you recognise one of the Life Members, shake their hand and say 'thank you'.

As ever, thank you also to all our sponsors who are definitely not taken for granted and deserve a huge pat on the back.

There are lots of rugby reasons for optimism and plenty to look forward to with the Six Nations and at least two new national Head Coaches, The World Cup in France and some more great community days sharing a story over a beer at Monks Lane. They will all be good days out with friends and family .

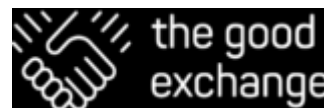
I trust you have a great rugby day.

David Jones - President

NEWBURY RFC WOULD LIKE TO WISH
EVERYONE A HAPPY AND HEALTHY 2023

NEWBURY BLUES – 1ST TEAM CAPS

Dan Thorne	241	Michael Duppa-Miller	11
Ben Hicks	223	Miles Albert	10
Rob Drysdale	204	Harry Isaac	8
Josh Winfield	183	Jamal Watson	8
Jamie Futchter	178	Freddie Beharrell	7
Toby Thorne	172	Tiarnan Kelly	5
Graham Stewart	149	Leroy Pyke	5
Josh Bartlett	119	George Butler	5
James Macauley	117	Joel Cripps	4
Kyle Doel	104	Ashley Doel	4
George Robinson-Slater	93	Sam Bramhall	3
Duncan Craigen	60	Tom Haynes	3
Kris Ford	41	Alex Harris	3
Harry Wayne-Branch	38	Jordan Ruddock	2
Michael Klichowicz	31	Ali MaGee	2
Will Osborne	29	Henry Sandys-Lumsdaine	2
Tom Cole	26	Rueben Langdon	2
Jonny Lees	19	James McAvoy	1
Oliver Keyse	14	Jacob Checksfield	1
Ben Davies	12	Marcus Carruzzo	1



NEWBURY RFC GOOD EXCHANGE APPEALS

For every £1 donated, the Club receives £1 of match-funding from Greenham Trust.

Please support the Club by donating towards one of our live appeals via

www.thegoodexchange.com



Regional 2 Tribute South Central - Results Table

Away	Buckingham	Devizes	Grove	Marlborough	Newbury Blues	Reading	Salisbury	Shipston-on-Stour	Stow-on-the-Wold	Swindon	Tottonians	Witney
Home												
Buckingham		24-29	33-34		0-49		29-34		5-55		24-54	
Devizes	41-10			14-48		29-25		18-12		19-15		
Grove		50-24			26-37		29-33		7-61		40-23	
Marlborough	HWO		58-5		50-3		81-5		31-7	36-17		42-5
Newbury Blues		39-24					29-10		24-29	34-12	41-17	
Reading	39-33		61-3	13-57	19-47			47-15				
Salisbury		22-17				46-7			7-34	22-17	11-32	7-43
Shipston-on-Stour	63-19		77-5	3-55	19-17	30-34	26-20					3-55
Stow-on-the-Wold		52-19			36-10	38-15		41-5		29-0	21-29	24-17
Swindon	30-24		31-22	5-40		5-7		32-20				
Tottonians		36-26	33-7	18-24		69-7		53-0		51-7		53-38
Witney	34-25	37-14	38-5		15-14	38-22	17-10			31-10		

GOOD LUCK TO ALL OUR TEAMS PLAYING THIS WEEKEND

NEWBURY STAGS v MAIDENHEAD III – SAT 7TH JAN, 2PM K.O. (AWAY)

Andrew Maher, Louis Carnell, Ryan Jeram, Alex Du Sautoy, Ben Kaesser, Ben Kelly, Ed Gavin, Ashley Doel, Will Trumper, Mathew Cox, David Barrow, Sam Palmer, Reuben Langdon, George Butler, Jacob Checksfield, Hugo Dessiaume, Max Pocock, Max Oliver.

NEWBURY LADIES v PORTSMOUTH VALKYRIES LADIES – SUN 8TH JAN, KO TBC (AWAY)



Referee
Daniel White



NEWBURY BLUES		v	BUCKINGHAM RFC	
1	Ben Hicks*	PROP	Matt Lester	1
2	Harry Wayne-Branch* (VC)	HOOKER	Seth Williams	2
3	George Robinson-Slater*	PROP	Archie Fox	3
4	Duncan Craigen*	LOCK	Ben Cassidy	4
5	Ben Davies*	LOCK	Craig Dumbarton	5
6	Jamal Watson*	FLANKER	Henry Robertson	6
7	Oli Keyse*	FLANKER	Jack Wildman	7
8	Josh Winfield* (VC)	NO. 8	Jamie Temple	8
9	Michael Klichowicz	SCRUM HALF	Ollie Topley	9
10	Dan Thorne* (C)	FLY HALF	Henry Pearson	10
11	Freddie Beharrell	WING	Adam Bone	11
12	Kris Ford	CENTRE	Matt Hawker	12
13	Harry Isaac	CENTRE	Josh Graham	13
14	Ali MaGee*	WING	Manny Hinkle	14
15	Jamie Futcher* (VC)	FULL BACK	Tom Warren	15
16	Sam Bramhall	REPLACEMENTS	Dil Punian	16
17	Leroy Pyke*		Ed Hollingworth	17
18	Will Osborne*		Liam Finn	18
Head Coach – James McAvoy Coaches – Nigel Beal / Paul Archer Manager - Michael Futcher Physio - Martin Paice / Dan Elsigood Touch Judge - Dave Shields		THANK YOU TO OUR MINI MASCOTS		

*Player has come through youth section

SENIOR PLAYER SPONSORS 2022-2023

Thank you to all our Player Sponsors for their valued support. For more info, please contact **Mick Futcher** on m_futcher@hotmail.com or 07768641719.

Senior Men

Miles Albert	Mike and Shirley Jarvill
David Barrow	Rehab Guru Ltd, Digital Healthcare Platform
Freddie Beharrell	WMJ Consulting (Mike Jarvill)
Harry Waye-Branch	Newbury Lodge Kennels (Peter Branch)
Duncan Craigen	Gary Light
Ben Davies	BW Print & Design (Ian and Helen Davies)
Rob Drysdale	MF Project Management (Mick Futcher)
Kris Ford	Yuri Pasea
Jamie Futcher	Dave Shields
Alex Harris	Capability Financial Solutions Ltd (Rob & Gill Harris)
Tom Haynes	The Stratford Park Hotel & Golf Club (Beverley Haynes)
Ben Hicks	Vets4Pets (Joe Binfield)
Harry Isaac	The Globe Newbury (Katie & Colin Martin)
Michael Klichowicz	T.Mather Tree Services
Jonny Lees	Precision Fabrication, Andover (Bespoke Metal Works)
James Macaulay	John Mason
Ali Magee	Gary Light
Will Osborne	Kress, Robotic and Garden Tool Manufacturer
Max Pocock	Nuvias Unified Communications (James Orton)
Leroy Pyke	The Bell Pub Aldworth (Mary and Hugh Macaulay)
Jordan Ruddock	Lakeview Carpentry
Toby Thorne	Kept Assets Ltd (Richard Hayes)
Dan Thorne	Piper Power (Stuart Piper and family)
Jamal Watson	Euan and Kinga Smith
Josh Winfield	Tony Naylor's Lunch Table

Senior Women

Lizzie Harris	Capability Financial Solutions Ltd (Rob & Gill Harris)
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Regional 2 Tribute South Central - League Table

		P	W	D	L	Pts
1	Marlborough	12	12	0	0	60
2	Stow-on-the-Wold	12	10	0	2	50
3	Tottonians	12	9	0	3	46
4	Witney	12	9	0	3	46
5	Newbury Blues	12	7	0	5	38
6	Devizes	12	5	0	7	27
7	Reading	12	5	0	7	25
8	Salisbury	12	5	0	7	25
9	Shipston-on-Stour	12	4	0	8	22
10	Swindon	12	3	0	9	18
11	Grove	12	3	0	9	18
12	Buckingham	12	0	0	12	6

Find it on-line ...
See it on-line...
Be part of it ...

Find out more about our club. See team news, match reports and photos, club information, sponsors updates and much more. Be part of our club and community.

www.newburyrugby.co.uk

NRFC CLUB EVENTS – JAN/FEB 2023

- 7th Jan Thank you to Volunteers & Life Members
- 21st Jan Club Day
- 11th Feb Sponsors Day and Pink Charity Day
- 18th Feb aReunion Day

100+ CLUB

CASH PRIZES EVERY MONTH

SUPPORT THE CLUB FOR JUST £2 A MONTH

BUY YOUR MONTHLY TICKET ON PITCHERO – SIMPLY SCAN THE QR CODE TO GO TO THE ORDER PAGE

If you prefer, you can pick up a form in Reception.

YOU HAVE TO BE IN
IT TO WIN IT!!



WHO'S WHO?

President	David Jones	
Vice President	Trevor Coles	
Committee:	Club Chair	Louise Goodall
	Honorary Secretary	Christine Morrell
	Treasurer	Peter Lambert
	Rugby Committee Chair	Alasdair Heath
	Rugby Committee Vice Chair	Chris Smith
	Chair of Senior Rugby	Brian Trott
	Chair of Ladies Rugby	Lauren Price Richards
	Chair of Junior Rugby	Abdi Hamisi
	Chair of Mini Rugby	Sarah Tunstall
	Rugby Resources Lead	Peter Benson
	Rugby Safe Lead	Nick Spain
	Co-opted	Alan McDermott
	Co-opted – Community Rugby Lead	James MacCarthy
	Co-opted – Rugby Income Lead	Ian Jack
Trustees:	Steve Gibbs (Chairman), Estelle Dessiaume, Adam Prickett, Mark Trumper	
Life Members:	D.Barratt, N.Booth, T.Coles, R.Cooper, R.N.Cripps, D.Eggbeer, D.J.Feltham, G.Feltham, D.M.Fishleigh, R.Golby, L.J.Goodall, R.Grove, D.Hawkins, C.O.Hobbs, A.Keaney, S.Leonard, J.Lewis, V.Lewis, A.Pankhurst, H.Price-Richards, R.Pratley, P.Simmons, I.Skipworth, D.G.H.Smith, R.Tucker, C.Vare, A.Widdop	

SCORE FORECAST – THE RULES

THE JACKPOT

Any ticket holding the correct match score at the end of the match wins the Jackpot.

MATCH DAY PRIZE

If the Jackpot is not won, a £50.00 prize is awarded to the nearest score at the end of the match. The nearest score will be determined in the following sequence

1. The winning score correct, in combination with the nearest losing score (above and below)
2. The losing score correct, in combination with the nearest winning score (above or below)
3. In the event of a draw, the nearest other draw (above or below)

Notes

- In the event of more than one winner the Jackpot or Match Day prize will be shared equally between the ticket holders.
- The end of the match is at 80 minutes or at time of abandonment. Extra time will not count.
- No prize will be paid without the winning ticket being presented.
- Winners have 28 days in which to claim their prize.

THE REFEREE

The referee has volunteered their services today which ensures the players have a game and that you, the spectators, get to watch it. They referee what they see which is not necessarily what you see or think you see, and they deserve your thanks and courtesy not your anger.

Please be advised that abusive language towards officials, players, coaches, staff or other spectators will not be tolerated, and you may be asked to leave the ground.

Thank you.

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