

# 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**



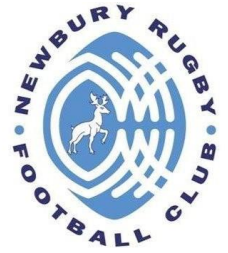
## NEWBURY BLUES FIXTURES 2022-23

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

For information about all sections of our club, please visit our website.  
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# BLUES NEWS



## **NEWBURY BLUES v TOTTONIANS RFC** **SATURDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022, KO 3PM**

A very warm welcome to Tottonians this afternoon on their first visit to Monks Lane. Whether a player, supporter or official, I hope you enjoy your time with us and we look forward to an exciting game of rugby.

Tottonians lie 4<sup>th</sup> in the league with wins over Devizes and Swindon. Their website indicates they have four senior teams out this afternoon so very fortunate to have such a depth of players - the envy of many clubs, including ourselves.

Despite the scoreline at the final whistle, the Blues put on a gritty performance for over three quarters of the match against a very professional Marlborough team who were well drilled, organised and experienced in key positions. There was some great defence and with quite a few new caps, the senior players led by example. With just three games played, ten players have already made their Blues' debuts this season. So many injuries early in the season have given some great opportunities for those new players to cement their positions. Whilst most of us ex-senior players were used to playing in front of ten people and a dog at the old ground, playing in front of 250 plus for the first or second time is quite intimidating, so Blues Corner ..... do your vocal best!!

The Ladies fielded their first second team game with an influx of new players and had a high scoring win against Reading IIs last weekend. Great performance and working towards a large squad to tackle the league games starting this weekend.

The Colts play their first cup game tomorrow at home against Beaconsfield with a 2pm start and would love your support.

We are constantly trying to improve communications but it's not a perfect world. Your go to method to find out what is going on is the Newbury RFC Pitchero website and we also send out regular updates. If you are NOT receiving these updates then please ensure your email address is up-to-date by checking your details on Pitchero, and then tick the relevant box to say you wish to receive emails. The Newbury RFC Facebook page has also been recently improved and is a very good back up for the latest club news.

This has been quite a time of reflection and endorsement of family values. Whatever your views of the monarchy, there has been a clear message that where you share similar values you are much stronger as one big family. Rugby values, friendship and sportsmanship also last a lifetime and equally reflect that. As Brian Moore surprisingly emotional said of the sad loss of Eddie Butler, his sparring partner and friend over many years commentating on so many rugby games – 'I never told him how great I thought he was.' There's a lesson for us all.

Have a great rugby day !!

*David Jones - President*

COME ON YOU BLUES!!





# BADNESS

**THE UK'S MOST ENTERTAINING  
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Newbury RFC  
Saturday 15th October - 7PM  
Tickets - £15  
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## OTHER SENIOR FIXTURES THIS WEEKEND

Cheltenham Ladies II v **Newbury Ladies** – 24/09/22

Hungerford RFC v **Newbury Stags** – 24/09/22

**Stags:** Sam Bramhall, George Robinson-Slater (VC), Tom Haynes, Ryan Jeram, Nick Weston, Louis Carnell, John Bastable, Ben Davies (C), Will Trumper, Jordan Ruddock, (VC), Max Pocock, Ben Kelly, Ali MaGee, Ashley Doel, Henry Sandys-Lumsdaine, Graham Stewart, Greg Price, Paul Archer

## 100+ CLUB

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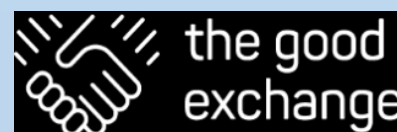


**NRFC will bring you many match events during the season.**

**All are welcome**

	Month	Event
2022	Sep	Community day. Free entry and live music.
	Oct	Reunion lunch. Pink day / Charity Day.
	Nov	Real Ale and Cider Festival with Live music.
	Dec	Christmas Games and Meals
2023	Jan	Community Day - Free Entry to the club. Volunteers - Thank you Day.
	Feb	Sponsors Day and Life Members Meal.
		Double Header - Senior Teams/Reunion Weekend.
	Mar	Final Blues League Game celebrations.
		Super Saturday.
	Apr	Cup Games. NRFC Special.

N.b. Matches with events to be announced - subject to change.



### 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](http://www.thegoodexchange.com)



Referee  
**Daniel White**



NEWBURY BLUES		V	TOTTONIANS RFC	
1	Ben Hicks*	PROP	Nathan Burns	1
2	Harry Waye-Branch*	HOOKER	Liam Murphy	2
3	James Macaulay* (VC)	PROP	Cam Flint	3
4	Michael Duppa-Miller	LOCK	Charlie Quinn	4
5	Duncan Craigen*	LOCK	Craig Durnin	5
6	Leroy Pyke*	FLANKER	Dan Williams	6
7	Miles Albert*	FLANKER	Scott Rogers	7
8	Josh Winfield* (VC)	NO. 8	(C) Andy McEwen	8
9	Michael Klichowicz	SCRUM HALF	Harry Dolbear	9
10	Dan Thorne* (C)	FLY HALF	Robbie Searle	10
11	George Butler	WING	Harry Rumens	11
12	Tiarnan Kelly	CENTRE	Rich Buck	12
13	Will Osborne*	CENTRE	Sam White	13
14	Freddie Beharrell	WING	Connor Andrews	14
15	Jamie Futcher* (VC)	FULL BACK	Ben Griffin	15
16	Rob Drysdale*	REPLACEMENTS	Mark Amey	16
17	Jamal Watson*		Sam Cranston	17
18	Josh Bartlett*		Ethan Riley	18
<b>Head Coach</b> – James McAvoy <b>Coaches</b> – Nigel Beal / Paul Archer <b>Manager</b> - Michael Futcher <b>Physio</b> - Martin Paice / Dan Elsigood <b>Touch Judge</b> - Dave Shields			<b>Head of Rugby</b> – Matt Carter <b>Senior Coach</b> – Will Mbanga <b>Senior Coach</b> – Andy Hargrave <b>Senior Coach</b> – Dave Shrimpton <b>Medical</b> – Danielle Slatter	

\*Player has come through youth section

**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			33-34									
Devizes	41-10											
Grove											40-23	
Marlborough			58-5		50-3							
Newbury Blues									24-29			
Reading								47-15				
Salisbury						46-7						7-43
Shipston-on-Stour					19-17		26-20					
Stow-on-the-Wold						38-15				29-0		
Swindon				5-40								
Tottonians		36-26								51-7		
Witney	34-25	37-14										

**Regional 2 Tribute South Central - League Table**

		P	W	D	L	PF	PA	TB	LB	Pts
1	Marlborough	3	3	0	0	148	13	3	0	15
2	Witney	3	3	0	0	114	46	3	0	15
3	Stow-on-the-Wold	3	3	0	0	96	39	3	0	15
4	Tottonians	3	2	0	1	110	73	2	0	10
5	Grove	3	2	0	1	79	114	2	0	10
6	Shipston-on-Stour	3	2	0	1	60	84	1	0	9
7	Devizes	3	1	0	2	81	83	2	0	6
8	Salisbury	3	1	0	2	73	76	1	1	6
9	Reading	3	1	0	2	69	99	1	0	5
10	Buckingham	3	0	0	3	68	109	2	1	3
11	Newbury Blues	3	0	0	3	44	98	0	2	2
12	Swindon	3	0	0	3	12	1203	0	0	0

### SENIOR PLAYER SPONSORS 2022-2023

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Harry Waye-Branch	Newbury Lodge Kennels (Peter Branch)
Josh Winfield	Tony Naylor's Lunch Table

## WHO'S WHO?

<b>President</b>	David Jones	
<b>Vice President</b>	Trevor Coles	
<b>Committee:</b>	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
<b>Trustees:</b>	Steve Gibbs (Chairman), Estelle Dessiaume, Adam Prickett, Mark Trumper	
<b>Life Members:</b>	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)
4. In the event of no ticket forecasting the draw, the smaller margin or any ticket holding the draw number of points win or lose.
5. If no ticket holds the draw number of points, then any ticket holding plus or minus one of the drawn points score with the smallest margin. The plus or minus two and so on.

### 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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