



Welcome to DRUFC

Lunch guests

Douglas guests – Neil Ardern, Adrian & Ann Bashforth, Lynne Bashforth & Jeremy Theobold, Terry Braid, Rodger Clague, Colette Cooke & Neil Cowie, Roger Emery, Roy Garnett, Diana & Phil Garrett, Carol & Peter Glover, Julian Harper, Mary & Steve Higgins, John Horsthuis, Tony Horsthuis, Andy Hunter, Fiona King, Colin Jarman, Brian Leahy, Andrew Low, Lorraine Matthews, Eamon & Marg McGee, Helen & Rob Naylor, H Newson, Peter North, Jon & Shirley Pulman, Sarah Radcliffe, Martyn Riley, Neil Robb, Joy Saunders, Jayne Simpson, Howie Scarffe, Jon Shasha & Karen White, Mark Solly, Rik Talavera, Richard Vanderplank, Richard Watson, Kay Wilson, Lizzie Wilson, Steve Wilson. **SMP guests** – David Bates, Matt Beech, Davy Bowen, Mark Grace, Alex Holt, Callum Hutchinson, Jerry Linehan, Steve McGowan, Stevie McGowan, Roger Raatgever, Chris Reynolds, Chris Westerman

Warrington guests – Geoff Perks

Douglas v Warrington

Douglas Pipe In 50th Birthday . .

Old Mutual Douglas host Warrington in a fixture that may go some way to deciding the relegation battle raging below 5th place Douglas in a season where the three lowest teams go down. The Cheshire side are only 10 points behind Douglas, but in 11th and just one bonus-point win above Burnage who currently face the chop alongside Anselmians and De La Salle. Douglas took a losing bonus-point at Warrington in November and another close contest is forecast at Port-e-Chee. Should Burnage take a probable win at bottom club De La Salle on Saturday, Warrington will need at least one point to stay clear in 11th. As Birkenhead Park travel to league-leaders Carlisle and Northwich are likely to beat Penrith, the Douglas incentive may be fourth place at the expense of Park. The Douglas squad have **Filipe Periera** starting at flanker alongside **Craig McGee**, with **Sam Games** and **Mike Dunnett** providing further fire-power off the bench. **Bryn Snellgrove** fills the number 9 shirt in harness with **Aidan O'Shea** at number 10. Given a modicum of firm ground, the pace and finishing power outside the half-backs will trouble the visitors if a troublesome line-out has been addressed up front. The loss at Birkenhead Park was certainly self-induced, and against Broughton it was a case of how many rods for our own back.

The **Ellan Vannin Pipes & Drums**, performing at 1.30pm, may help Douglas produce the home form that has seen only two losses at Port-e-Chee this season. If so, the 50th birthday celebrations of the Douglas clubhouse foundations being laid would be suitably epic.

Douglas squad - Harry Raven , Carl Markl-Ferns, Todd McDowell, Liam Kirkpatrick, Paul Leivers, Filipe Periera, Craig McGee, Niall Killey, Bryn Snellgrove, Aidan O'Shea, Sam Mete, Lance Wyllie, Conor Stephens, Adam Boyd, Max Morley-Green, Sam Games, Michael Dunnett, Alex Long, Owen Carvin

Join us again on April 6th when Douglas host Burnage

Good luck to the U/16 squad who have reached the final of the Cheshire Shield. They travel on Saturday 4th May to Crewe & Nantwich for the final on Sunday 5th May. Supporters are welcome.