

# ANSELMIANS

Saturday 02 October 2021  
Kick-off 3.00 pm, versus



# WARRINGTON



Admission by programme

Members £3.00

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## Welcome to Anselmians

**H**ello and welcome to this week's match at Malone Field.



*Ravi Sibal, President*

It is an absolute pleasure to be able to welcome you today to our new clubhouse and grounds after a long stint away from Malone field. The new clubhouse and grounds are a step change for Anselmians RUFC and the local community, after a £2.5m investment we are able to compete both on and off the field, with a brilliant new facility.

The off season has seen some changes to the on field team, with the recruitment of Degsy Salisbury and Tommy Banks leading the coaching and playing set up. We have had an influx of new players (with more joining on a weekly basis) and hope to put out 3 sides for the whole season. This is fitting for a club that is looking to progress.

Off the field we have a brilliant management team here to host you today, with a fantastic food and drink available. We have been working hard to make sure both members and visitors have a great experience every time they come to Eastham Pavilion, so please do let us know what you think. We run pre match lunches before all home games so be sure to book in a place in advance with the events team.

I hope you enjoy the game and our own special brand of Apres-Rugby!!

Thanks

Ravi Sibal  
President Anselmians RUFC



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## Respect and Sportsmanship at Malone Field

Please show respect and sportsmanship to today's match officials, both team's kickers, players, coaches and supporters. Be loud and positive with your support. Thankyou for your support of the game and its values.

*Ravi Sibal*



## In The Chair

*"A hearty  
welcome to  
our visitors -  
Warrington  
RUFC"*



**Roy Brennan, Chairman  
Anselmians RUFC**

Having spent a week on tour in Spain with Matt Nugent amongst others (son of the Anselmian Legend that is Ray Nugent) worrying about what I had forgotten to take and later what I had forgotten to bring back, I can reflect on another great win last week at Cockermouth!

Waiting for updates during the game whilst sipping Rosada in beachside cafés and lamenting the none appearance of one Michael Moore whose beautician's appointment restricted his inclusion in our sojourn, we eventually had cause for celebration, Hooray!

Enough of the mundane activities of last week, we now look forward to Warrington at home this Saturday, they had a good win last week against Leigh

and will, no doubt, relish the opportunity to continue in the same manner.

I am sure you will all join me and wish them well, here's to a great game!

Our mini's & juniors continue to grow and last weekend we hosted some of the school teams which proved to be very successful, we are privileged to have such a hard working team developing our younger players, keep up the good work!

I was surprised with the response to a call for volunteers to help out around the club in our last programme and can confirm that there is still room for one or two more!

*He forgot to mention that he is "in the chair" at the bar, too! Ed.*



## A Message From The Club Captain



This Saturday we  
welcome  
**WARRINGTON** to  
Eastham

*"Cockermouth were  
defensively resilient  
and full of heart"*

**Another tough test on the horizon...this time a little closer to home!**

Last week we travelled on the fun bus up to Cockermouth. This turned out to be the game we had spoken about at training in the week.

Cockermouth presented a tough solid side, defensively resilient and full of heart. We managed to break this as the game went on coming away with a 0-40 win. The biggest take away from this game for Myself and the staff.....As a team we spoke before the game about putting a marker down and Nilling the home team on their own turf, and we did just that.

The coach home was eventful and full of laughs. Perfect day all round for the team.

This week we welcome a Warrington side on the back of a good close win Against what looks to be a very promising Leigh side. Another challenge for us to overcome and I am sure we will do just that.

See you there

**COYS**

A View From The Front Line

Coach—Degsy Salisbury



We are able to field another strong squad of 18 today

*"Cockermouth gave us a real battle"*

**A big welcome, today, to  
Warrington RUFC**

So, after a long trip up to Cockermouth, the coaches and lads were all happy to get away with a win.

*Cockermouth gave us a real battle and we knew we had been in a game!*

This week, we entertain Warrington who have had a strong start to the season and been getting some good results. So, we look forward to another tough game.

This week's will be the last game for a while for George Manger who is off on his travels. So, hopefully, the lads can send him off on a good note. Good luck, George.

Cheers,  
Degsy & Tommy



*George in action at Cockermouth*



## ABOUT ANSELMIANS



The Founding Fathers

Old Anselmians 1950-51

Back Row - R. Moscrop, C. Ekbery, T. Moore, R. Dittman, J. Adams, J. Lanier, B. Barrett  
Front - J. Moscrop, J. Bailey, D. Roberts, A. Crossley, M. McCarthy, (Captain) - L. Byrne, J. Whitty, A. Liddy, B. MacDonald

**Old Anselmians' RUFC was formed in 1947 by a group of former pupils of St. Anselm's College who had the foresight to buy our grounds and lay the foundations for the fantastic new facility we enjoy now. All current members owe them a great debt.**

Early fixtures were played against traditional old boys' teams in the Wirral and Merseyside by a small but dedicated band of travelling players before a temporary home was secured at "Solly Rec" in Birkenhead. Playing facilities and amenities were primitive and it wasn't until the mid-1950s that the club relocated to its present home in Eastham village.

Thanks to the far-sighted and generous provision of a few members, the freehold of the pitches at Eastham was secured and a rudimentary clubhouse was begun using the expertise of local businessmen and players. By the 1960s Old Anselmians was a well-established and thriving club running five sides. At this stage, it was a "closed" club in RFU language, meaning its players were drawn from "The College" but it was recruiting soccer players from the town presumably attracted by the promise of a more active social life.

Entry to the RFU Cheshire Cup competition meant several "senior" clubs visited Malone Field with Sale the most frequent opponent. In the 1980-1981 season the club became the first "junior" club to reach the semi-finals losing narrowly to Birkenhead Park.

In the 1990s, the club's profile was greatly enhanced by the success of several alumni on the international stage. Austin Healey, latterly of "Strictly Come Dancing", would go on to win fifty-one England caps at scrum-half, full-back and wing and tour with the British and Irish Lions in 1997 and 2001. In the 1995-96 Five Nations competition, Simon Mason and Christian Saverimutto were capped three times for Ireland. More recently, in 2002, Ben Johnston, the Nottingham player/coach, was capped twice by England. The erstwhile Newcastle Falcons scrum-half, Chris Pilgrim is the most recent graduate of "The Saints."

With the advent of, first, merit tables and, now, league rugby, many of our traditional fixtures have lapsed. The "Old" was dropped from the name and "Anselmians" 1st XV now compete at level 7 in North 2 West Division. The "Crusaders" (2nd XV) and the "Mavericks" (3rd XV) also play in northern leagues and the thriving mini and junior section is the envy of many clubs. In the club's 70th birthday season in 2018, the "old" clubhouse was razed for the ambitious development of a new "pavilion" and grounds during which time the senior teams moved to temporary accommodation at Vauxhall's Sports Club with the juniors being dispersed throughout the Wirral. The club returned to Malone Field during the rugby-free Pandemic of 2020-2021 and we are starting a new chapter in season 2021-2022 in our magnificent new facilities where Anselmians will continue to be a friendly and forward thinking club true to the vision of those young men who began it with the simple wish .....

**"to play rugby with a smile."**

# THIS DAY IN HISTORY

02 OCTOBER DOWN THE YEARS

**1909** Harlequins defeated Richmond 14-10 in the first ever match played at Twickenham. The game attracted a crowd of 2,000. The ground hosted its first Test match four months later when England defeated Wales 15-6 in front of a crowd of 18,000. The RFU purchased the plot for £5,500 in 1907, and the first stands were constructed the following year. Before the ground was bought, it was used to grow cabbages, and so Twickenham became known as the 'Cabbage Patch'.

**2011** Samoa centre Eliota Fuimaono-Sapolu is charged with misconduct by the International Rugby Board after accusing referee Nigel Owens of racism following Samoa's defeat to South Africa in the Rugby World Cup pool clash. The defeat - on September 30 - saw Samoa eliminated from the competition and the Gloucester centre questioned Welshman Owens' neutrality with Wales benefiting from a South Africa victory.

**2007**

Ireland boss Eddie O'Sullivan was given the dreaded 'vote of confidence' by the Irish Rugby Football Union following their group-stage exit from the Rugby World Cup. "We have put our faith in Eddie. We made decisions last May in terms of where we wanted to go over the next four years," chief executive Philip Browne said. "We're happy with that decision. In our view he's the best man for the job." O'Sullivan left his position following the 2008 Six Nations.



Gerald Davies skippered Cardiff in their 29-25 defeat by Argentina.

**1976** Even the presence of Gerald Davies in the starting line-up was not enough to prevent Cardiff becoming the latest victims of a rapidly improving Argentina side, the Pumas triumphing 29-25 in a thrilling encounter in the Welsh capital. The game was very nearly touched by tragedy, though, as Argentine prop Mario Carluccio lost consciousness with just over ten minutes of normal time remaining. However, Carluccio was resuscitated by Cardiff trainer Tom Holley.





## THE SAINT'S QUIZ

### Saint's 2021 Rugby Trivia Quiz

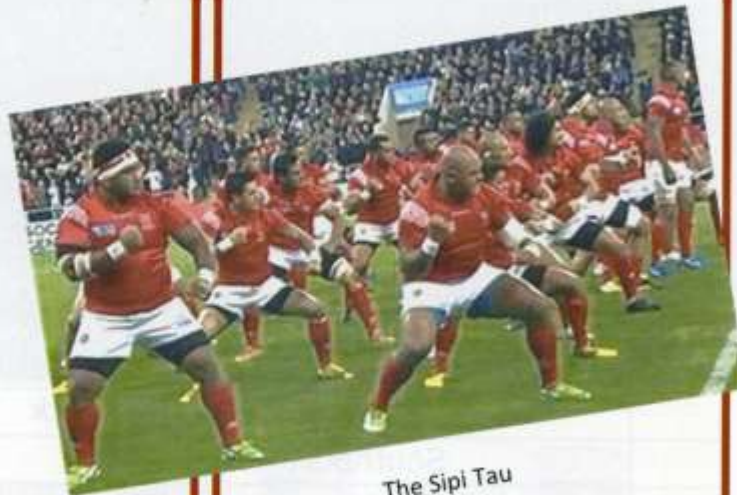


England v Australia 2003 World Cup Final

3. Which three players hold the record for most tries scored in a single Rugby World Cup campaign? (1 point each)
4. Who is England's all time top try scorer?
5. Who is the most capped Test player of all time?

1. What was the final score between Australia and England in the 2003 Rugby World Cup final?

2. Which country performs the 'Sipi Tau' before a game?



The Sipi Tau





The Saint Previews Today's Match v.

## WARRINGTON



After a first visit to Cocker mouth and an impressive victory, the 1<sup>st</sup> XV is returning to Eastham to face Warrington.

Warrington is another one of many well-established clubs in this league. They were founded in 1876 and, in an area famous for rugby league, such longevity is to be admired.

They missed the first day of the season because the league has thirteen teams and have, to date, have only played three games. In their initial game, at home, they lost narrowly to Keswick, 19-25, and in the last two consecutive games, they have played two of the best teams in the league.

They lost a high-scoring game at Rochdale, 38-25 and, last week, at home, they inflicted the first defeat of the highly rated Leigh side, 26-22.

Warrington are currently ninth, having played only three games. Saints may have been impressive in their four games, but, in topping the early season table, they have not yet a close game.

Traditionally, Warrington are a fine, combative side and the Eastham faithful may see a close contest.

Coaches and players believe that the Saints that the best is yet to come and they remain firmly optimistic of the side's potential. Warrington may be the team to test that theory.

### Today's N2W Fixtures

SCORE	T E A M S			SCORE
	Anselmians	-	Warrington	
	De La Salle	-	Winnington Park	
	Leigh	-	Keswick	
	Southport	-	Orrell	
	St Benedicts	-	Cocker mouth	
	Tarleton	-	Bolton	

## TODAY WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO WARRINGTON



Director of Rugby — Jamie Kimpton

### ***A warm welcome to the players, officials and travelling supporters of Warrington***

Saints have started the season brightly remaining unbeaten in 4. Last week we were given a good game by a very capable Cocker-mouth squad, the score was 0-0 after 30 mins and to manage 40 points without reply is testimony to the efforts of the coaches and playing squad. The next few weeks will shape our season for sure.

Warrington have had a mixed start but a notable win against Leigh last week will provide confidence going into today's game and I know Warrington will play a full 80 mins of front foot rugby. Having moved to a new venue the future looks good and apart from today and the corresponding fixture away we wish them well for the rest of the season and beyond.

Degsy and Tommy have selected the following today – Rotation sees Steve Brooks start at loose head to partner the Salisbury Bros in the front row. Jack Richards starts in the row alongside Niall Cavanagh. Ewan Nolan continues his impressive form at 8 with Will Grabe and Paul Sherlock on the flanks. In the backs George Manger starts at 9 partnering Dai Morley at half back. Skipper Liam Sadler is partnered with James O in the centres. Today's back 3 sees Andy Cummings return at full back with Tommy Banks and Jim Whitehouse on the wings. Today's game changers are John Bonner , Craig Jones, and Fred Clarke .

Neil Redfearn takes his 2<sup>nd</sup> XV on the road today to Warrington RUFC . Last time out they came away from Manchester with a fine win and travel today with another youthful squad . Tim and the Mav's travel to Helsby today after narrowly losing out last week to Hoylake . Best of luck to both teams .

***Please crank up the noise today  
as it really makes a difference to  
the players. But, please be  
mindful of our opposition and  
match day officials.  
Jamie Kimpton –DOR***





# SAINTS

## V

# WARRINGTON



R	Y	D	P	C	T	THE TEAMS		T	C	P	D	Y	R
						Stephen Brooks	1	Tom Green					
						Dan Salisbury	2	Alex Rowan					
						Derek Salisbury	3	Sam Bennett					
						Niall Cavanagh	4	Josh Downes (c)					
						Jack Richards	5	Will Morgan					
						Will Grabe	6	James Brazendale					
						James Otutaha	7	Jonny Evans					
						Ewan Nolan	8	Danny Fleming					
						George Manger	9	Oli Hudson					
						Dai Morley	10	Luke Little					
						James Whitehouse	11	Luke Turner					
						Tommy Banks	12	Matt Beeley					
						Liam Sadler (c)	13	Jamie Abram					
						Brian Atwine	14	Jack Rigby					
						Andy Cummings	15	Jack Stride					
						Craig Jones	16	Mike Bullock					
						Fred Clark	17	George Percival					
						John Bonner	18	Pat Reardon					

Derek Salisbury - Head Coach - Stuart Beeley

Today's Referee: — Peter Barnett — Liverpool Society

### LATEST RESULTS — 25 SEPTEMBER 2021

Cockermouth	<b>0</b>	-	<b>40</b>	Anselmians
Keswick	<b>P</b>	-	<b>P</b>	Rochdale
Orrell	<b>73</b>	-	<b>0</b>	St Benedicts
Southport	<b>15</b>	-	<b>5</b>	Bolton
Warrington	<b>26</b>	-	<b>22</b>	Leigh
Winnington Park	<b>31</b>	-	<b>7</b>	Tarleton

## TOUCLINES

**Jamie Kimpton, the Second Greatest Living Anselmian, was understandably enthusiastic about the performance last week at Cockermonth.**

"The last time a side scoring no points involving Anselmians was in March 2019 when we lost 93-0 at Broughton Park. I can't remember when the opposition didn't score. Mind you, Cockermonth's defence was less plausible than Prince Andrew's" said the high-fore-headed Director of Rugby.

(It was, in fact, at Tyldesley, on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2018 when we scored 55 without reply. Later that season, in the last game at Eastham before we moved to Vauxhall's, we defeated Aspatria to ensure promotion to North One West. Ed.)

The follicularly challenged supremo was particular in his praise of Ewan Nolan, henceforth known as "The Try Scoring Machine". "What I can't understand",



**THE SAINT**

the DoR continued "is that I played with his father, and he had all the mobility of Sealink ferry leaving Dover and I don't recall him ever scoring a try. His mum must have been a helluva player."

Speaking of records, The Greatest Living

Anselmian, septuagenarian Jim McKenzie pointed out on the long drive up to Cockermonth, to no-one in particular, "That's odd. I bet nobody has noticed." No-one responded.

Undaunted, he went on. "Do you know the first three league games have ended in 9. We scored 69 against Winnington Park, 39 against Bolton and 79 against Orrell?"

Again, nobody commented.

"Wouldn't it funny if we scored another something 9 today?" he gushed enthusiastically.

The three other occupants had fallen asleep, and the driver was thinking of the advantages of being deaf.

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The "New Chairman", white haired Roy Brennan, rang The Saint in the week, to, as he said, "run a few ideas up the flagpole and see if anyone salutes them."

"Got any petrol?" he continued.

"Sufficient for my meagre needs, thank you," The Saint replied. "Why do you ask?"

clubhouse and Eastham village saying 'BEER SHORTAGE SOON! PANIC BUY HERE!' That we sell lots of beer and increase the club's revenue. Capisce? Ok, Saint?"

"Ok, Roy."

Chairman, Roy Brennan is an estate agent!

Our  
*Sales*  
in the Village  
this month...

Brennan Ayre O'Neill



Brennan Ayre O'Neill



For Sale Eastham Village

"I've got an idea. Do you know everyone is queuing for petrol this week? Everybody is panic buying."

"Yes, Disgraceful. Very similar to last year's toilet roll panic," said The Saint.

"My idea is we invent a beer shortage, and we get posters all around the

**The Saint**

**A note from the Editor:**

"The Saint's delusional musings are the product of his own psychoses and do not represent the sentiments of the Club in fact or otherwise." .... Ed.

## GROUNDFORCE

By "Farmer Jones" — Head Tractor Boy

*Each week, a massive amount of work, by a small band of committed volunteers, goes into maintaining our grounds.*

*"Hello and welcome back from "the tractor boys".*

As you can imagine we have had lots to do over the last 2 years and there is still much to do to simply keep up with maintaining the grounds.

I can't even begin to list the jobs done by our small and ageing band but the kind comments received regarding how good the grounds look are very much appreciated.

The new layout seems to be very high maintenance and at times we are struggling to keep the place as tidy as we would wish.



The pitch and car park surrounds need constant attention and this is on top of mowing the 3 pitches.

As referenced earlier we are all getting older and slower and would welcome any help.

If you think you can spare some time at the club please come along to see us on a Thursday ; no regular commitment required.

We have, in fact, recently gained 2 new helpers and this has helped us greatly. Eamonn, " the strimming pikey" Malone seems to have had an epiphany, not only





Lastly, can we make a request for any equipment that you may have lying around in your sheds / garages that we could use. Forks , rakes , spades , strimmers , hoses , etc . Anything you think might be useful we will gladly take.

Thanks for reading.

*Farmer (Taffy) Jones*

turning up regularly putting in a good shift but also last week he was seen to smile 12 . Our other new recruit is John Curren who did his first session last week to very good effect.

*If you read this and fancy joining us on a Thursday morning give me a ring. We will have a lot to do in the next few months to get the grounds ready for winter and the more hands and brains the better.*

*Join the "Tractor Boys" for a couple of hours' work on the grounds, a bit of fun and a hearty breakfast each Thursday morning at about 9.30  
Contact Taffy Jones on: 07758 800580—email:geraintjones0@gmail.com*



# THE SAINT'S QUIZ

## THE ANSWERS

1. The final score in the 2003 Rugby World Cup final was Australia 17-20 England.

2. Tonga. All the Pacific nations teams (including New Zealand) perform a tribal war dance as a challenge to the opposing team before a match.

3. Jonah Lomu (1995), Brian Habana (2007) and Julian Sevea (2015) all scored 8 tries in those tournaments.

4. Rory Underwood scored an incredible 49 tries in his England career.

5. NOT Richie McCaw (New Zealand), who has 148 caps. Alun Wyn Jones (Wales) has 160.

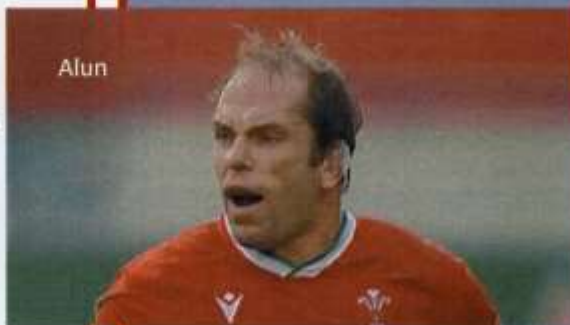
Jonah



Rory



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## Fixtures - Season 2021-2022

Date	K.O.	H/A	Team	Comp	Result
Sat 28 Aug	15.00	H	Crewe & Nantwich	Cup	W47-13
Sat 04 Sept	15.00	H	Winnington Park	League	W69-13
Sat 11 Sept	15.00	A	Bolton	League	W12-39
Sat 18 Sept	15.00	H	Orrell	League	W79-09
Sat 25 Sept	15.00	A	Cockermouth	League	W 0-40
Sat 02 Oct	15.00	H	Warrington	League	
Sat 09 Oct					
Sat 16 Oct	15.00	A	Keswick	League	
Sat 23 Oct	15.00	H	Rochdale	League	
Sat 30 Oct	14.15	A	Leigh	League	
Sat 06 Nov	14.15	H	Birkenhead Park	Cup	
Sat 13 Nov					
Sat 20 Nov	14.15	H	St Benedict's	League	
Sat 27 Nov	14.15	A	Southport	League	
Sat 04 Dec	14.15	H	Tarleton	League	
Sat 11 Dec	14.15	A	De La Salle (Salford)	League	
Sat 18 Dec	14.15	H	Bolton	League	
Sat 25 Dec					
Sat 01 Jan					
Sat 08 Jan	14.15	A	Orrell	League	
Sat 15 Jan	14.15	H	Cockermouth	League	
Sat 22 Jan	14.15	A	Warrington	League	
Sat 29 Jan	14.15	H	Keswick	League	
Sat 05 Feb					
Sat 12 Feb	15.00	A	Rochdale	League	
Sat 19 Feb	15.00	H	Leigh	League	
Sat 26 Feb					
Sat 03 Mar					
Sat 12 Mar	15.00	A	St Benedict's	League	
Sat 19 Mar					
Sat 26 Mar	15.00	H	Southport	League	
Sat 02 Apr	15.00	A	Tarleton	League	
Sat 09 Apr	15.00	H	De La Salle (Salford)	League	
Sat 16 Apr					
Sat 23 Apr	15.00	A	Winnington Park	League	

## THE LEAGUE TABLES

### North Two West—Season 2021-2022

Team	P	W	D	L	PF	PA	PD	Pts	B	+/-
Anselmians	4	4	0	0	227	32	195	20	0	0
Leigh	4	3	0	1	149	60	89	16	0	0
Winnington Park	4	3	0	1	109	106	3	15	0	0
Rochdale	3	3	0	0	120	57	63	14	0	0
Southport	4	3	0	1	72	52	20	14	0	0
Keswick	2	2	0	0	41	26	15	8	0	0
Orrell	4	1	0	3	126	181	-55	7	0	0
Tarleton	3	1	0	2	79	58	21	6	0	0
Warrington	3	1	0	2	70	83	-13	5	0	0
St Benedicts	3	1	0	2	35	124	-89	5	0	0
Cockermouth	4	0	0	4	24	117	-93	1	0	0
De La Salle	2	0	0	2	7	66	-59	0	0	0
Bolton	4	0	0	4	35	132	-97	0	0	0

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