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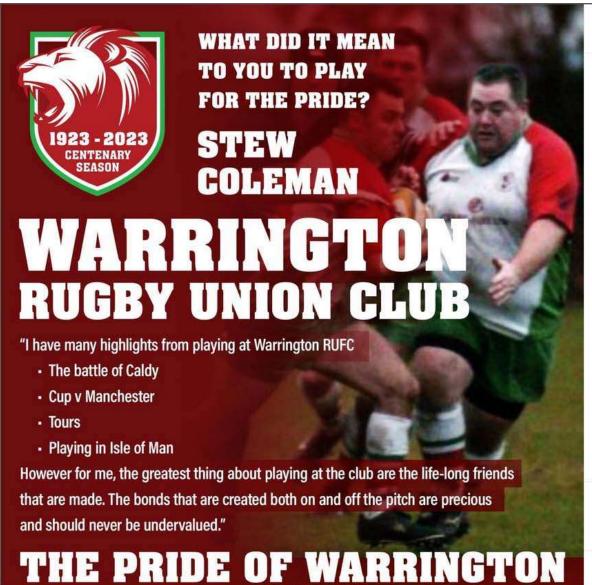
What did or does it mean to you to play for Warrington Rugby Union? Please message us with your memories. First up: Tufty!

PETER RILEY

I made by 1st XV debut aged 17 in 1976 and 353 games later in 2007 it was all over with one final visit to Warrington Hospital, this time with a dislocated shoulder. To say WRUFC played an important part in my life would be something of an understatement and I was lucky enough to be able to contribute to the work of the Committee for over 32 years.

Something always happens to you inside when you pull on the red white and green jumper. You are representing your town, playing with your mates and at Bridge Lane you were privileged to be a part of a social set up that was truly unique - without equal or like. But playing rugby was the reason I was there and I played in an era where every Saturday from the start of September to the end of April meant nothing but playing rugby, finding friends for life and having memories that stay with you forever.

Old or young, fat or thin, tall or short there was always a place for you in one of the teams. I've payed with and against every type of player you could wish to come across and no matter what skill level or ability at WRUFC you round always be welcome with open arms and a pint of Alan Peaker's warm beer!





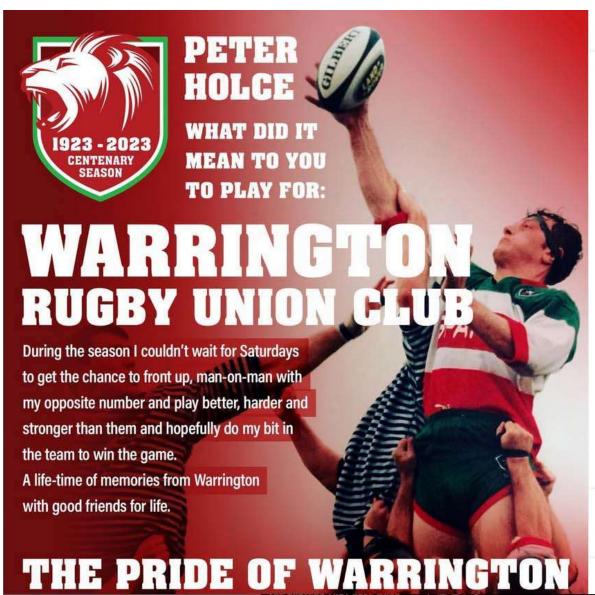
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warringtonrufc STEW COLEMAN

I first started at the old Bridge Lane club at the age of 14 under coaches of Dave Roughley, John Kellett and Roddy Goodall. After a few years I then became colts captain under Peter Riley's coaching where we went undefeated for a season. I made my first team debut 2 days after my 18th birthday! A baptism of fire to play against the Rochdale front row. I went on to play 114 first team games (and probably as many second team games) I then coached the highly successful colts side, then the first team and lastly the second team for 3 seasons.

I have many highlights from playing at Warrington RUFC - the battle of Caldy - the Cup against Manchester - the Tours - playing in Isle of Man, however for me, the greatest thing about playing at the club are the lifelong friends that are made. The bonds that are created both on and off the pitch are precious and should never be undervalued.





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warringtonrufc PETER HOLCE

I only found Rugby when I was 22 years of age when I first went down to Bridge Lane.

The crack with the boys was so good I just kept going back for more and after a couple of seasons I made the 1st Team. During the season I could not wait for Saturdays!

To get the chance to front up, man-on-man with my opposite number and play better, harder and stronger than them and hopefully do my bit in the team to win the game. A life-time of memories from Warrington with good friends for life. Since then I've played for teams in Singapore, Malaysia and Thailand and in rugby tournaments all across Asia and it's all thanks to the grounding I got at my amazing home team and teammates at Warrington.