



WARRINGTON RUGBY UNION

Vs
Vale of Lune RUFC

Saturday
4th January 2020

OFFICIAL CLUB PROGRAMME



A Message from the President

I would like to welcome you all to Warrington RUFC and as we enter a new decade a new home at South Warrington Sports Club, Stockton Lane, Grappenhall.

Warrington has enjoyed some success over the past years, since our promotion to North One West but it doesn't get any easier. This year the competition looks to be even harder than last season with clubs of great tradition such as Vale of Lune, and Wilmslow and promoted clubs Altrincham Kersal, back this season, Bowdon and Keswick newcomers to this league, as in life, changes offer new challenges.



Once again, it seems that there will be no such thing as an easy game but that also ensures a good level of entertainment for spectators and enjoyable, testing matches for the players.

Annual plea, we can all contribute in so many ways as those who have gone before us as Members of WRUFC have done. Players need to remember that it is not just about playing. Fund raising and making sure everything runs smoothly on match days and all the other small but essential tasks is not just the province of those of us who are at the age where sadly playing is no longer possible. The more people who volunteer and get stuck in, the stronger our Club will become.

Former players making a perhaps an infrequent visit to the Club are more than welcome we can always find something for you to do! You will have taken a lot out of the game. Please think seriously about what you can put back in, just as there were the "old farts" in your day who made sure that the baths were run, the tea made, the pitch marked, the game refereed, the raffle run and so on.

I would also take this opportunity to thank all spectators, and especially visiting spectators, for buying this programme. We are not a rich club so rely on the income which we generate ourselves from sponsorships, events, raffles, occasional donations, programme sales and now bar sales. So many thanks for your contributions, which help to fund the playing side of our activities as well as helping us to enhance the facilities.

Once again, I wish a very warm welcome to all of you, Warrington supporters as well as visitors, match officials and players. We hope you will enjoy the rugby on offer and that you will also enjoy the beer and banter in the bar after the match.

GEOFF PERKS
President, Warrington RUFC



Welcome to Vale of Lune RUFC

Warrington RUFC extends a very warm welcome to the players, officials and spectators of Vale of Lune RUFC to South Warrington Sports Club and we look forward to an enjoyable afternoon.

Vale of Lune was founded in 1900 in Lancaster, Lancashire and play at Powder House Lane. This season sees their first Lady President, Sarah Baines, in the clubs history so congratulations. It is a sign of the changing face of rugby that more women are at the helm of clubs. Vale have had a roller coaster of a ride over the last two season gaining promotion from North One West, as champions in 2017-18 season, to Norther Premier League. Unfortunately season 2018-19 was not a happy one finishing 13th and relegation back down to North One West.

Both teams have seen changes on the playing front this season so rebuilding is in progress. We start the second half of the season with Vale 10th and Warrington 13th in the league, last time out Vale lost by a single point away at Northwich and Warrington won by a single point at home to Broughton Park. On our visit to Vale, Warrington lost out 28-18 in an entertaining game with a late Vale try making the game safe for the hosts so another close game can be expected.

Footnote

The Warrington club would remind supporters to refrain from the use language that today is considered defamatory, offensive or that could be seen as abuse or harassment to other spectators, players or officials, whether anything you may consider right or wrong in the game you are watching.

Thank you

Welcome to South Warrington Sports Club, the “NEW” home of WRUFC.

2019 was a somewhat challenging year ...

On the field

The Mini and Junior section continues to prosper, setting standards for others to follow. The pre-season “Coaching the Coaches” course proved extremely well attended and rewarding. My thanks must go to Darren Abram who devoted countless hours over the summer months for the benefit of all the coaching staff, the fruits of which were borne by all our mini and juniors.

Forty four players represented WRUFC at the Sale Sharks Academy development programme, significantly more than any other northwest club and an achievement we should all be delighted with. The vast numbers joining the micros and minis ranks are a fantastic endorsement to the reputation we have established and long may this conveyor belt continue.

On a Senior front, Andy Roberts and John Callander ensured standards were set and delivered. On a personal note watching Craig Byrne not only stabilise - but then nurture - the returning senior colts in a developing second team has been very rewarding. The team spirit and bond amongst all our senior section is more important than our respected league positions. The transition and retention of our immense junior talent is paramount to our sustainability at senior level.

Off the field

Off the field sadly our tenure at Warrington Sports Club was made untenable: we had little choice but to look for alternative playing facilities from early October when our substantial up front membership payment was returned to us by WSC. After a difficult relationship over a few years, WSC had decided that they did not want rugby at WSC.

This isn't the place to complain about what is a “lose - lose” situation for both WSC and WRUFC. The Committee have attempted to keep coaches, managers and parents briefed as fully as possible on the WSC situation and the challenges for a growing club to ensure excellent playing facilities for all age groups from Micros to seniors going forward.

We are still in discussions with WSC and the RFU about use of facilities at WSC going forward (this is a key issue for the RFU given the material investment made by the RFU into the changing rooms / clubhouse at WSC). It is unclear how these discussions will play out. Given our teams / pitch needs, some level of pitch use / hire back at WSC, if reasonable terms can be agreed, would clearly be a desirable and would also benefit WSC in terms of revenue.

Given everything that has happened over the last few months, we have had no choice but to plan for a future where we are not based at WSC. I saw my responsibility as Chairman being to work with the Committee and to engage with others to seek the best outcome for WRUFC players and supporters.

We have sought to follow a transparent and fair process culminating in making new arrangements in a very short time period to ensure continuity for all teams ... and here we are now at SWSC, with our destiny firmly in our own hands.

May 2020 bring enjoyment and sporting development for ALL.

Yours in Rugby

Lewis Nunn
Chairman



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Images from the this seasons matches



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Warrington Rufe 1st XV 20-19 Broughton Park Rufe 1st XV

A scintillating first half display of running rugby backed by a second half of gritty defence earned Warrington their second win of the season and their first at their new venue at Grappenhall Sports Club.

Warrington were hot off the mark with continuous pressure culminating in a line out deep in Broughton Park territory. Back rower Johnny Evans took a quick ball to within 2 yards of the line and captain Josh Downes sealed the score with a subtle line and less than subtle power. 5 minutes gone, 5-0 up and the visitors had scarcely touched the ball.

Warrington's sharpness and accuracy in their recycling and passing brought dividends 5 minutes later when centre Kieran Hughes back in harness after a considerable lay off showed he had lost none of his skills. A brilliant sidestep in his own half shredded Broughton's defence and a 60 yard sprint earned Warrington a second try. Luke Gillooly converted off the post. 12-0.

Broughton got back into the game with a driving maul only 10 yards from the Warrington line and gained a one man advantage when prop Sam Bennett was yellow-carded for not rolling away in the tackle. Route one was denied to Broughton by some committed tackling by stand-off Gillooly and centre Charlie McCurry but the visitors created an overlap wide on the right to pull back 5 points, the conversion hitting the cross bar but bouncing out. 12-5.

Warrington went back on the offensive with penetrating runs from the set piece by No 8 Callander well supported by Gillooly on his shoulder. Further hard yards were won in successive carries from middle rowers Fleming and Downes and only determined counter rucking by Broughton kept their line intact. Centre Hughes and winger Max Caldwell combined at speed to threaten the Broughton line, but the next points came from the boot of Gillooly when the Warrington pack gained a penalty from a demolished Broughton scrum. 15-5. Broughton had the last word of the first half, however, manufacturing an overlap and a second try on the left. 15-12.

In the second half things took a very different hue. Broughton now began to dominate possession and territory with Warrington finding it difficult to gain possession or exploit the speed of their back division. With 15 minutes to go, however, Jack Stride initiated a counter from full back and stabbed in a low kick for a chase by Hughes and Caldwell. A happy bounce gave Hughes his second try. 20-12.

Warrington's joy was short lived, however. Although Warrington fielded the restart cleanly, Broughton charged down the relieving kick, recovered the ball and scored from the subsequent pressure. 20-19. An anxious few minutes followed with Warrington getting the better of successive scrums, denying Broughton a steady platform for any attack and finally closing the game out.

Coach Roberts said "I am delighted to have won on our debut at our new home and am heartened by the support we got today. Our first twenty minutes showed what we really can do but we need learn to replicate that performance for 80 minutes."

Warrington RUFC vs. Vale of Lune RUFC

WARRINGTON RUFC
Colours: Green, Scarlet & White.

VALE of LUNE RUFC
Colours: Red & White.

Saturday 4th January 2020. Kick off 2:15pm

Referee: Richard Smith, Liverpool Society

Warm welcome to today's guests, opposition and referee,

		Tries	Pens/DG	Con		
15	J. Stride				S. Manning	15
14	M. Caldwell				J. Fern	14
13	K. Hughes				H. Higginson	13
12	C. McCurrie				M. Forrest	12
11	J. Morgan				C. Kyle	11
10	L. Gilooly				A. Briggs	10
9	O. Hudson				B. Swarbrick	9
8	S. Callender				J. Robinson	8
7	J. Evans				J. Ayrton	7
6	H. Kellett				A. Powers	6
5	D. Fleming				T. Cvijanovic	5
4	J. Downes (C)				H. Fellows	4
3	S. Bennett				R. Pillow	3
2	A. Stewart				H. Dokter	2
1	T. Green				O. Branford	1
16	C. White				A. Yates	16
17	T. Arnold				S. Tagg	17
18	K. Wardley					18
Andy Roberts		Head Coach			Joel Unsworth	

We hope a great day and game is enjoyed by all.

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North One West Fixtures 2019-2020

Date	Opposition	Result	Sponsor
Sept 07	Douglas (I.O.M) (A)	20 - 8 L	
Sept 14	Vale of Lune (A)	28 - 18 L	
Sept 21	Birkenhead Park (A)	50 - 7 L	
Sept 28	Burnage (H)	52 - 12 L	
Oct 5	Northwich (A)	27 - 3 L	
Oct 12	Altrincham Kersal (H)	25-22 L	
Oct 19	Wilmslow (H)	47-22 L	
Oct 26	Bowdon (A)	P	
Nov 9	Firwood Waterloo (H)	17-7 L	
Nov 16	Keswick (A)	12-6 L	
Nov 23	Stockport (H)	32-7 L	
Nov 30	Bowdon (A)	23-15 W	
Dec 7	Penrith (A)	29-10 L	
Dec 14	Broughton Park (H)	20-19 W	
Jan 4	Vale of Lune (H)		
Jan 11	Birkenhead Park (H)		
Jan 18	Burnage (A)		
Feb 1	Northwich (H)		
Feb 8	Altrincham Kersal (A)		
Feb 15	Wilmslow (H)		
Feb 29	Bowdon (H)		
Mar 7	Firwood Waterloo (A)		
Mar 14	Keswick (H)		
Mar 21	Stockport (A)		
Mar 28	Penrith (H)		
Apr 4	Broughton Park (A)		
Apr 18	Douglas (I.O.M) (H)		















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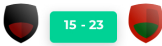


1st XV League Table & Recent Results

Pos	Team	W	D	L	HF	AF	F	A	Diff	Try Bonus	Loss Bonus	Adj	Pts
1	 Wilmslow	11	0	2	295	157	452	254	198	12	2	14	58
2	 Burnage	9	0	4	258	197	455	312	143	10	2	12	48
3	 Altrincham Kersal	8	0	5	197	182	379	270	109	10	3	13	45
4	 Northwich	10	0	3	132	205	337	247	90	5	0	5	45
5	 Birkenhead Park	8	0	5	261	140	401	242	159	9	3	12	44
6	 Penrith	8	0	5	218	160	378	316	62	11	1	12	44
7	 Firwood Waterloo	9	0	4	232	120	352	244	108	5	1	6	42
8	 Stockport	7	0	6	246	107	353	320	33	8	2	10	38
9	 Douglas (I.O.M.)	7	0	6	171	125	296	259	37	6	1	7	35
10	 Vale of Lune	5	0	8	198	107	305	289	16	6	5	11	31
11	 Broughton Park	4	0	9	204	75	279	358	-79	3	3	6	22
12	 Bowdon	2	0	11	127	111	238	474	-236	4	0	4	12
13	 Warrington	2	0	11	68	97	165	373	-208	0	2	2	10
14	 Keswick	1	0	12	47	76	123	555	-432	1	0	1	5

SAT, 30 NOVEMBER

BOWDON



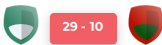
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Northern Division - North One West

DECEMBER 2019

SAT, 07 DECEMBER

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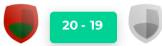


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Northern Division - North One West

SAT, 14 DECEMBER














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BROUGHTON PARK

Northern Division - North One West

2nd XV League Table & Recent Results

Pos	Team	W	D	L	HF	AF	F	A	Diff	Losing Bonus	Winning	Adj	Pts
1	 Kirkby Lonsdale 2	9	0	2	173	127	300	116	184	2	0	2	49
2	 Chester 3	9	0	3	140	204	344	176	168	0	0	0	48
3	 Burnage 2	7	0	4	328	112	440	211	229	1	0	1	40
4	 Glossop 2	7	0	5	231	103	334	238	96	0	0	0	40
5	 Sedgley Park 3	6	0	6	118	181	299	213	86	2	0	2	38
6	 Rochdale 2	6	0	5	125	74	199	172	27	3	0	3	38
7	 Warrington 2	5	0	7	109	171	280	234	46	4	0	4	36
8	 Broughton Park 2	6	0	5	93	103	196	205	-9	2	0	-1	33
9	 Bowdon 2	5	0	6	100	105	205	343	-138	1	0	1	32
10	 Macclesfield 3	4	0	6	158	68	226	314	-88	0	0	0	26
11	 Bolton 2	3	0	8	93	39	132	345	-213	2	0	2	25
12	 Liverpool Uni Vets 2	3	0	7	63	109	172	283	-111	2	0	2	23
13	 Fylde 3	3	0	9	142	38	180	457	-277	0	0	0	23

SAT, 23 NOVEMBER

BOWDON 2



12 - 18



WARRINGTON 2

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SAT, 30 NOVEMBER

WARRINGTON 2



17 - 20



GLOSSOP 2

Halbro North West Leagues - Division 1

DECEMBER 2019

SAT, 14 DECEMBER

BROUGHTON PARK 2



22 - 13



WARRINGTON 2

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RWC 2019 Quiz

With the 2019 Rugby World Cup over,
we still have our infamous World Cup Quiz..



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1. The highest ever attendance for a match was at Wembley Stadium, in September 2015, when which country played Romania?
2. At the 2019 Rugby World Cup tournament what links the coaches of Namibia, Canada and Russia?
3. Who equalled Jonah Lomu's record for most tries in one World Cup competition when he scored 8 in 2007?
4. Which New Zealand player scored a record six tries against Japan in 1995?
5. How many times have France reached the final?
6. Name the referee that sent off Sam Warburton in a world cup semi final?
7. Which city will host the 2019 Rugby World Cup Final? And which city will the 2023 final be held in?
8. Name the only two dedicated rugby union 'club grounds' to host matches in the 2015 tournament?
9. Which country beat France 34–10 in the 2007 Bronze Final (or third place play-off)?
10. Which country reached the 1991 Quarter Finals having gone out in round one in every other tournament?
11. Can you name the oldest player in England's 2011 Rugby World Cup squad?
12. Why did Catalin Fercu withdraw from the 2011 Romanian squad?
13. Which country is the most notable absence for the 2019 tournament?
14. In a major upset, which country did France lose to in 2011?
15. Name the only South African to achieve two World Cup wins?
16. How many quarter finals have Italy reached?
17. Who kicked a drop-goal in extra time to win victory for South Africa in the 1995 final?
18. On 19 September 2015, Japan stunned South Africa with a last minute try to win 34–32 in which British city?
19. Whose 100th, and last test match was in his team's defeat by Fiji in the 2007 World Cup?
20. Name the only team to have received two red cards in one match?

Bottle of whisky for first correct answers given to the President after the game.
Answer will be posted on the Warrington RUFC web site on Sunday morning.

www.warringtonrufc.com

Thanks for taking part

RWC 2019 Quiz Answer Page



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The season so far, for our future stars.

Under 7s

Warrington U7s have had a great start to their first ever season. We kicked off with an enjoyable day of rugby in the Manchester festival mud. We hit the road and loved visiting Chester, Waterloo and Southport. But most of all we enjoyed hosting Macclesfield and local rivals Lymm.

We have many years of competitive rugby to come against these guys and although we don't count tries in this age group, let's just say that the coaches and parents are incredibly proud of the boys. We look forward to seeing them grow into skilled players and fine young men".

We're seriously enjoying this so I hope some of that comes through in the photos.

Cheers

Chris, Ben and Dave



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Under 8s

It's been a great 1st half of the season for the under 8s. The squad has grown to 26 in the last 6 months. After 4 weeks of pre-season training the team hit the ground running at the Manchester Festival with a fantastic performance.

We've had a great run of games travelling to Southport, Macclesfield and Caldy whilst hosting Chester at our new home just before Christmas. The team also enjoyed a nail biting finish watching Sale Sharks narrowly lose to Gloucester hitting the post with the last kick of the game.

We are all looking forward to a great second half on the season in 2020.



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Under 9s

With this season seeing us introduce the tackle to the game we never would have thought that from finishing last season with 21 players we'd end 2019 with 30 on the books. Which has seen the need for a few more coaches to be found so we have also welcomed Fred and Andy to the fold.

We loaded the front half of the season with training as we wanted to get all the players to a confident level so they would get the best out of the games. With away days at Southport and Ormskirk twice and home fixtures against Liverpool Collegiate, Macclesfield, Caldy and lastly Lymm at our new home. Each week we have awards that are fiercely contested and we have enjoyed the games immensely.. There's no higher praise then that of the opposition, even more so when they are the lead coach of Lymm U9s, who admitted that we were ahead of them in all areas of the game.

With that we move into 2020 with a great group of players and parents that all buy into the ethos of rugby. Some huge games ahead of us and festivals at the end of the season we've so much to look forward to.

Cheers

Andy, Cian, Fred, Glenn, Kev, Paul & Rich.



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Everyone involved in rugby in England, whether as a player, coach, referee, administrator, parent or spectator is expected to uphold the Core Values of our sport.

Teamwork · Respect · Enjoyment
Discipline · Sportsmanship

- Play to win - but not at all cost.
- Win with dignity, lose with grace.
- Observe the Laws and regulations of the game.
- Respect opponents, referees and all participants.
- Reject cheating, racism, violence and drugs.
- Value volunteers and paid officials alike.
- Enjoy the game.

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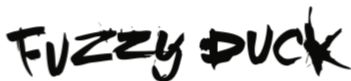


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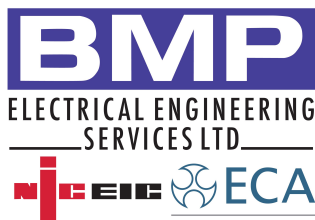
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**Warrington RUFC hope you have enjoyed your
day.**

We look forward to seeing you again.

**Please remember respect the players, referee &
the venue.**

Thank you