

# **Welcome to Bickleigh Down**

Welcome to Bickleigh Down for the second home match of the season after a couple of weeks on the road. A very warm welcome to Salcombe today for what is the first league meeting between the clubs in a very long time, 2009 to be precise. Aside from the odd friendly, it's quite remarkable that our paths haven't crossed since then as we have been operating in different leagues during that time. Prior to that 'The Crabs' were regular opponents dating back to the 1920s although they have been a bit of a bogey side for us over the years as the head-to-head record shows.

It's a special day for the club as we are joined by the *Argaum Cubs* who will be training prior to the match, forming a tunnel for the players, and joining in the postmatch gathering in the clubhouse. Many thanks to all the parents present today and for their continued support on Sunday mornings. We have a long history of running junior rugby at the club and hopefully some of today's players will join the senior ranks in the not-too-distant future. Later in this programme we have the story of a remarkable link between one of our cubs and his very famous rugby relative.

Finally, a big thankyou to all the volunteers for their invaluable work behind the scenes in helping to stage today's fixture and to our generous sponsors, without whom we couldn't function as we do. Please respect today's officials and enjoy the match!

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Today's Teams									
Plymouth Argaum		Salcombe							
Chiefs									
Cheyenne Edwards	15	Mark Parnowski							
Kallan Malone	14	Mark Lidstone							
Craig Meleady	13	Max Rawlinson							
Isaac Honey	12	Eoghan Grace							
Justin Rowe	11	Sam Wilkins							
Tom Shephard	10	Lee Clarke							
JJ Von Hagen	9	Charlie Rawlinson							
Tommy Holliday	8	Matt Hurst							
Tom Mann	7	Dafydd Bonar							
Karl Sullivan	6	Jon Hawtin							
Chris Langley	5	Nick Roberts							
Dan Smith [C]	4	ТВС							
William Lloyd	3	Ewan Stephens							
Nick Hancock	2	Jay Hannaford [C]							
John Paul Browning	1	Sean Harding-Hodder							
Adam Griffith	16	Toby Woods							
Mitch Coles	17	Dan Sinnot							
Gideon Berends	18	Darren Clarke							
Ali Joines	19	David Irving							
ТВС	20								

Match official(s): Corbin Turner (PRRS)

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Other Fixtures Today in Devon 1	Head-to-Head				
Exeter Athletic - Totnes	F: 04/10/14 – Salcombe 10 – Argaum 45				
Exeter Saracens – Dartmouth	D2: 31/10/09 - Salcombe 79 Argaum 8				
New Cross – Torrington	D2: 01/03/08 – Argaum 5 – Salcombe 48				
OPM - Tamar Saracens	D2: 10/11/07 – Salcombe 63 – Argaum 0				
Old Technicians - South Molton	D2: 31/03/07 – Salcombe 34 – Argaum 15				

# **Past Matches**

### **Salcombe Outing Brings Success**

#### Salcombe 10 Chiefs 45 - 04/10/14

Rearrangements were made for this 1st XV friendly, as Salcombe had a large amount of their squad at a wedding. With this, Argaum cancelled their Wanderers game, Rested half of last week's squad and took a large selection of 2nd XV players out of courtesy to their hosts. Preparations were hindered as Coach Sansom along with a large contingent of the squad were trapped in country lanes en-route to the ground following a serious accident.



When things eventually got started, Argaum Hit the ground running. Ellery Jones scored early on and by half time, Argaum were leading 26-0 with further tries from Jake Turfrey, Daniel James and Kal Bloomfield. Paul Ansell slotting three conversions. Changes were made after the break, with Sansom keen to see youngsters Dan Bolt and Tom Cole after impressing for the Wanderers. The backs were moved around and asked to experiment. Skipper Tom Richards reverting to his boyhood position on the flank.

Mason Edwards, Ellery Jones and James Riley scored in the second half, Ansell potting another two conversions. Salcombe capped off the game with their second try at the death. Perhaps the talking point of the game was the NFL inspired try from the Crabs, where their player leaped over the breakdown to be awarded the try. A useful exercise with a large injury list and other walking wounded rested. Next week, the Chiefs host Wessex in the league.

Report by Stuart Quarterman

# **Tribute Devon 1 League Table - Round 1**

Whilst the Chiefs went down to Totnes last Saturday, today's opposition overcame Old Techs at Two Meads. Exeter Athletic (formerly Wessex) are the only side with a 100% record this season.

Tribute Devon 1											
		Р	W	D	L	PF	PA	PD	Pts	Bonus pts	Adjust
_	Exeter Athletic	4	4	0	0	191	29	162	19	2	0
	New Cross	4	3	1	0	144	39	105	17	3	0
	Old Plymothian & Mannamedian	4	3	0	1	76	73	3	15	2	0
	Exeter Saracens	4	2	0	2	160	69	91	12	4	0
*	Totnes	4	3	0	1	119	54	65	10	3	-5
	South Molton	3	2	0	1	88	75	13	10	2	0
	Old Technicians	4	1	0	3	69	92	-23	7	3	0
	Tamar Saracens	3	1	1	1	45	49	-4	6	0	0
*	Dartmouth	3	2	0	1	31	21	10	5	1	-5
	Torrington	2	0	0	2	24	121	-97	0	0	0
	Plymouth Argaum	4	0	0	4	50	151	-101	0	0	0
	<b>Buckfastleigh Ramblers</b>	4	0	0	4	51	226	-175	0	0	0
*	Salcombe	3	1	0	2	18	67	-49	-1	0	-5
		* Denote	s points	deducted	d in the	right har	nd colum	ın			



## **Liam To Follow in Jimmy's Footsteps**

It was fantastic to learn recently that one of our players in the Under 11s Cubs, Liam, has been selected as a mascot for the England team when they take on South Africa at Twickenham in November. What makes the occasion extra special is that the RFU have specifically chosen this match to honour Liam's great, great, great grandad, Jimmy Peters.

For those that don't know the story, Peters was the first black player to play for the England Rugby team, scoring two tries in the five tests he played. Born in Salford, he came to prominence when playing for Plymouth RFC and later Devon before winning his first cap for England in 1906. There was controversy later that year when the touring South African side were said to be unhappy playing against a black man when Peters played against them for Devon and he was subsequently dropped from



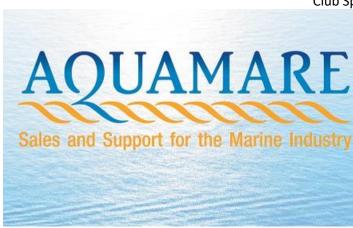


the national side. Although he did go on to win more caps, his last in 1908, it was to be another eighty years before Chris Oti became the next black player to wear the red rose. As a player he was said to have revolutionised the game through his innovative play as half back.

Although Peters subsequently played rugby league up north he later returned to Plymouth, where he became a tea-total publican. He is buried in Ford Park Cemetery where a headstone was installed by the RFU as a tribute. You can find out more about his remarkable story when <a href="Ugo Moyne visited the Rugby Museum">Ugo Moyne visited the Rugby Museum</a> at Twickenham and the <a href="RFU website">RFU website</a>.

It is appropriate that 115 years after Peters represented Devon against the South Africans that Liam will do something that his relative was unable to do and take the field at an England international against the Springboks. As parent Jo said "Due to Covid it has been postponed a couple of times but we are unbelievably excited that Liam has been confirmed as the mascot at Twickenham on 20th November."

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# **Forthcoming Matches**

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