

ORUFC NEWS



Orrell Rugby Union Football Club

October 2017



WELCOME TO THE FIRST NEWSLETTER OF THE 2017-2018 SEASON

Welcome to the New Season

Welcome to our October Newsletter. Over the summer months, we've been working hard to progress our Land Development Project, our 1XV have moved into the South Lancashire/Cheshire League 2 and, of course, our 2XV were promoted to the Raging Bull Division 5 (as Champions). New season means new memberships; have you returned your forms yet? Thank you for your valued support.



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Rugby Matters The season started well for both teams with a mixture of home and away wins. Sadly, our 1XV lost by 1 point to Heaton Moor in the quarter final of the Lancashire plate but the 2XV are through to the next round of the Brooke Edgley Specialist Technical Services Shield beating Bury2 26:24.



We are also delighted to welcome Sean Long in his first cross code move to Orrell RUFC. Sean is also the assistant coach at St Helens and the Samoa National Rugby League Team

In the Mini and Junior Section, the U15 Lions Team are also through to the next round of the Lancashire Cup. They will now play Tarleton at home on 5th November.

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MEMBERSHIP FORMS

HAVE YOU RETURNED YOURS YET?



Everyone should have received a copy of the Orrell RUFC Membership Form for 2017/2018. If you haven't, then please let us know—we may have your details wrong on our database.

Being part of the South Lancashire/Cheshire League 2 will hopefully bring us new opportunities to build on our success on the pitch from last season as well as progressing our development of the club and securing its future with our Field of Dreams Project.

The most important people in all of this future is you - our members. We can't do any of this without you. Membership & subscription letters have been sent out in the post over the last few weeks. If you haven't got yours yet, you can download one from our website.

You can also return your completed form by email to secretary@orrellrugbyunion.com

NIGEL OWENS IS OUR GUEST SPEAKER AT THE ANNUAL SPORTSMANS DINNER

We are delighted to announce that Nigel Owens, the International Welsh Referee will be the guest speaker at our Sportsman's Dinner 2018.

Owens launched the 2019 Rugby World Cup qualifying process, refereeing the first qualification match, Saint Vincent & Grendines v Jamaica in Arnos Vale.

Owens became the most-capped rugby referee when he took charge of the Fiji-Tonga clash in Suva, overtaking Jonathan Kaplan's record of 70 tests.

On 15 April 2017, Nigel Owens made his 150th Pro12 appearance when he took charge of the Judgement Day clash between Newport Gwent Dragons and Scarlets.

The dinner will, once again, be held in the magnificent surroundings of Houghwood Golf Club on 8th March 2018. More information regarding the dinner will be available over the coming months



"I take my job very seriously! Even when I'm in the @Emirates lounge on my way to New Zealand to referee the Rugby Championships"

RECOGNISE ANYONE?

Martin Rigby (a great friend and former secretary and chairman of ORUFC, captain and coach of Wigan RUFC) recently sent us these two photographs from yesteryear. Do you recognise anyone? Are you in the photographs? If so, let us know and if you know when and where the photographs were taken.



We think the line up of this photograph may be:

Back Row Cyril Hankey; David Jones; Alec Hurst; Frank Morgan; Jeff Hilton; Frank Sutton; Jimmy Johnston; Des Seabrook; George Huxley; John Hilton
Sitting:: Brian Taberner; Ken Unsworth; Geoff Alker; Bill Huxley; Norman Fairclough; Michael Bath; Jim Lloyd
Front: Geoff Taylor; Ray Williams.

LANCASHIRE RUGBY ANNOUNCE SQUAD FOR LANCASHIRE ROYALS VS CHESHIRE

We are delighted to announce that both Dan Huxley and John Prescho have both been selected for the Lancashire Royals to face Cheshire. Players were selected from 14 clubs so very well done to all those selected. The full squad and further details can be found on the Lancashire RFU website.

MINI AND JUNIOR TRAINING

Training is held on a Wednesday night at 6pm. During the winter months, the Minis move to the all-weather pitch at St John Rigby College (WN5 0LJ) and the Juniors train at Abraham Guest Academy (WN5 0DQ). The team coaches will remind everybody when it is we make the change from one location to the next and confirm times in the event of them altering. We do ask that children are accompanied by an adult as the coaches cannot be held responsible for them.

FROM JUNIORS TO SENIORS TO SERVING ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ... MEET MICHAEL CALDWELL

"I joined Orrell when I was 12 after relentless requests from school friends as I only played in my school team. A little advice from my cousin, Dean Richards, who then was an England international and British Lion I thought why not?"

So now in my 29th season for Orrell, I've witnessed the highs and lows of the club. Even as a ball boy or manning the score board as a young teenager on a wet cold afternoon, for a tray of chips as payment was still an honour to be involved in such a great club.

Playing for Orrell has been my passion throughout my life and has brought great memories and friendships on and off the field. Growing up through a thriving junior section playing for Lancashire, Mersey-



side and the North of England set me on my way to open age rugby. Which was a step up but playing along side such great names soon helped me to learn my game.

Once depicted "that little lay by on the M6" has been the life and soul of me, coming through the professional era and now amateur. We can't turn back the clock but with a proud history and a bright future I'm looking forward to being involved with the club for many more years."

As well as a 1XV player, Mike is a serving member of the Executive Committee and also the Social/Fundraising Team with Max Huxley and Pauline Lloyd.

Could this possibly be the oldest photograph of Orrell RUFC. It's dated 1936/37 and Orrell vs Liverpool Collegiate Old Boys

Back Row: J Gore; W Houghton; E Bates; A Wadesworth; W Shack-lady; W G Ashcroft; S Clough; John Gore

Second Row: J Cannon; E Hinton; T L Farrimond; H P Stringer; G Sixsmith

Front Row: R C Randall, E Parkes





INTRODUCING OUR NEW MINI AND JUNIOR CHAIRMAN — CHRIS GIBSON

Welcome back to our 8th season as ORMJS and a very warm welcome to our new players, families and friends. As always, we want to start with a big thank you to our players, parents and families who continue to support us every week. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Graham Winstanley, who has recently stepped down as ORMJS Chairman. Graham's hard work and dedication to the role has been pivotal to our ongoing success.

We pride ourselves on being a friendly, community based rugby club with a very proud history. Our rugby ethos is based on player development and enjoyment. It is also important to be aware of the core values of Rugby Union and to strive to achieve these at all times;

Teamwork | Respect | Enjoyment | Discipline | Sportsman(woman)ship

Since the Section reformed in 2009 we have seen a steady growth in playing memberships across a growing number of boys and girls age groups. Our Fixture Secretary has been working very hard to ensure that we have a full fixture list for the season ahead, against quality opposition across all age groups and a number of our Junior age groups have again been entered into this seasons Lancashire Cup.

Last season we were very proud to support a number of Junior players who were selected for the Sale Sharks Development Player Programme (DPP). This is not only a reflection of the commitment and skill of the players but also a reflection on the high level of coaching that we are proud to deliver at ORUFC.

I would like to thank all of our current ORUFC M&J unpaid volunteers who give up their time to help run the club. Without the dedication of these people it would not be possible for the Section to function. I thank you all for your continued support and commitment. I would also like to take this opportunity to invite those parents/ guardians not yet involved to become an active volunteer, either within your child's age group or within the wider M&J Committee club roles. Being a volunteer at our great community rugby club is both enjoyable and extremely rewarding. Our club continues to develop from strength to strength and I'm confident that this season will be our best yet! I would like to wish all of our players and families the best of luck both on and off the pitch.

GOT SOME FREE TIME ON YOUR HANDS WE COULD FIND YOU SOMETHING TO DO?

Every home game there are a multitude of jobs that need to be done. If you can spare an hour or so before a home game (and you don't have to commit to every single one – just help when you can). We can provide you with tea, coffee and some cake (and maybe even a pie) if you do.

We need people to help with things like, putting the post protectors up, putting our sponsor boards out, prepare the pitch and surrounding area. For an informal chat and to find out more, contact Dave Hewlett on 07764 576278 or dhewlett.orellrufc@gmail.com

Ladies: we need your help too! Would you be interested in helping on a Saturday afternoon and preparing refreshments for our 2XV after their matches at Winstanley Tennis Club? The pay is atrocious but the enjoyment level is priceless. If you can pull a pint ... then it's even more fun! If you can spare an hour or so on a Saturday when the 2XV are at home, please get in touch with

We are more than delighted to welcome back our main club sponsor **Brookhouse Contracting Ltd** for the third year running.

The company was established back in 2003 by **Colin & Michelle Ratcliffe** who have had over 25 years experience in the construction industry and specialise in Education, Refurbishment, Maintenance and construction of new build affordable and bespoke housing.

The company has seen steady growth over the years and is proud of its consistent ability to retain long term relationships with its clients.

Colin & Michelle are passionate sports fans and are



very big hearted when it comes to grass roots community support of local sports clubs and charities which include Spring View cricket club, Lancashire BARLA amateur rugby league

and of course the wonderful Joining Jack Charity.

In addition, they are also season ticket holders at Sale Sharks rugby union and are player sponsors. Recently Colin very kindly facilitated our recent training and Q&A session for our mini and junior section with Sale Sharks's very own Josh Charnley and Mike Forshaw, two former Wigan RL legends, so we are very grateful, not only for their sponsorship of our



THANK YOU BROOKHOUSE CONTRACTING
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THANK YOU TO BUCKET AND SPONGE MEDICAL SERVICES

Bucket and Sponge Medical Services have been providing medical services to Orrell RUFC for the past 7 seasons – in fact - since the business was established. Prior to that, since 2001, Dr John Morgan, Clinical Director of Bucket and Sponge Medical Services, has been involved with the Club providing his services as Club Doctor to Orrell through both our amateur and professional eras.

Realising that an experienced and efficient multidisciplinary team is essential for excellent patient care, Dr John has a particular interest in the prevention, conditioning and rehabilitation of the injuries of sports people. As well as research, teaching, and clinical care, he most cherishes the relationships he forms with his patients. He loves sports medicine practice because of patients' high expectations of themselves, their strong work ethic, and their persistence in pursuing their goals.

Well known in the world of sport, Dr John has acted as Physician to Lancashire Rugby Union and is the current doctor of Orrell Rugby Union Club, and of the Ireland National rugby team. Dr John was recently made a Fellow of the Faculty of



Sports and Exercise Medicine of the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland and The Royal College of Physicians in Ireland. The award was made on 10th July 2017, to mark his outstanding contribution to sports and exercise medicine.

Dr Morgan said: "It has been an honour and privilege to support such a great club like Orrell RUFC and long may it continue".

But did you know that as well as medical services, Dr John and his teams also provides occupational health medicals and facial aesthetic treatments.

Read overleaf for more details of these amazing services.



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Bucket and Sponge Medical Services

Bucket and Sponge Medical Services was established in 2010 and provides Sports Medicine services to individuals, teams and organisations at an elite amateur and professional level. The services provided include managing on field emergencies, treating injuries, as well as looking after the general health needs of the players including pre-participation screening.

As a highly experienced business which provides medical staffing, from doctors, through physiotherapists and sports rehabilitation therapists for sporting teams and events, to suit individual and team requirements, they offer diagnosis, investigation and treatment of sports and musculoskeletal injuries, as well as strength and conditioning, cardiovascular health and exercise advice and specialist nutritional advice.

This year, Bucket and Sponge Medical Services have provided services to Leigh Centurions, Salford Red Devils, Hull FC, Huddersfield Giants, London Broncos, Featherstone Rovers, Sheffield Eagles, Swinton Lions, Wigan Warriors and Oldham Rugby League Clubs, the Ireland National Rugby League team and Manchester United FC. We also provide medical services for many MMA fighters and boxers, professional motorcyclists and extreme runners.

In addition to pre-eminent sports medicine provision, Bucket and Sponge also provides a selection of private medical services for individuals and businesses throughout the North West of England, providing health assessments, insurance medicals and travel medicine.

Please visit the website

www.bucketandsponge.com - for all your healthcare needs.

Dr1ve Medicals

Dr1ve Medicals is a Lancashire based business which provides professional drivers with statutory medicals for which the provision is sometimes poor, expensive and inefficient.

We perform HGV and LGV medical examinations for vans, trucks, horse boxes, etc. and PCV medicals for buses, minibuses and coaches as well as Private hire and Hackney Carriage (Taxi) medicals for local authorities. We also provide Fork Lift Truck Medicals and Non-Licensed Asbestos Medicals.

Appointments are often available 7 days a week, with hours to suit even the busiest lifestyles.

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Enrich Aesthetics

Enrich Aesthetics aspires to deliver the very best treatment in Facial Aesthetics from a Medical Clinic based in Wigan. We are easily accessible from anywhere in the North West and aim to provide quality and convenience for our clients.

Our cosmetic treatments are more effective than over-the-counter creams but less invasive than surgery. We offer non-surgical facial aesthetic treatments focusing on anti-wrinkle injections and dermal fillers.

Anti-wrinkle injections

Wrinkles and frown lines develop as a result of using facial muscles repeatedly throughout our life, with the skin creasing in areas of greatest use. The ageing process causes the slowdown of collagen and elastin production in the skin, therefore as we get older these lines become permanent and are present even when we are not frowning. Lines and wrinkles make us look old and tired, and for many people nowadays this is not a look they wish to live with.

Anti-wrinkle treatments can improve our appearance making us look younger therefore giving us greater self-esteem and increasing our self-confidence. By reducing the movement of muscles in these areas, the skin stops being creased and is allowed to recover, causing the lines to soften or even fade away.

Dermal fillers

Dermal fillers are a widely-used, non-surgical cosmetic treatment, which restores the volume of the skin and gives it a smoother, younger look. They are made from Hyaluronic Acid, which is a substance that is found naturally in the body, and it is a very safe way of restoring facial balance.

Clients have a full consultation to discuss desired results prior to treatment. At your initial consultation, we can help set realistic expectations of what the treatment can achieve. The treatment is gradual and we can assess the results together during the treatment. Our goal is for everybody to know you look great but not to know what you have had done! At Enrich Aesthetics we only use major recognised brands such as Botox® Bocouture, Azzalure and Juvéderm® Ultra for our treatments.

Call us on 07708 383 351 to make an appointment or visit our website www.enrichaesthetics.com for further details.

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INDEPENDENT FAMILY FUNERAL DIRECTORS ESTABLISHED 1921

R. Banks & Son (Funerals) Ltd based in Ormskirk Road, Pemberton was founded in 1921 by Richard Banks.

Clifford Halliwell joined the business in the early 1960's as a part time driver and funeral worker.

Herbert Banks asked Cliff if he would consider taking the job on a full time basis. Cliff agreed, and over the next few years gradually took on the role of funeral director himself.

Herbert banks eventually became ill and his doctors told him it might be a good idea to sell the business as the stresses and strains of the job could easily worsen his already deteriorating health.

As a result of Herbert Banks retirement Cliff Halliwell now bought the business from him and slowly developed what was then a very small enterprise into a significantly larger family business.

In 1974 Cliff's son Brian joined him, bringing new ideas of his own. Instead of traditional old limousines new modern stretched vehicles were introduced. The business developed steadily, and in 1982 a new funeral home and head office was built in the centre of Pemberton and named Halliwell House.

Expansion was part of the plan, and in the late 1980's the first branch office, Hallbank House, was opened at Bryn Cross, Ashton in Makerfield. The early 1990's saw a second branch opened; Windsor House, Scholes.

In 1996, like Herbert Banks before him Clifford Halliwell himself retired due to ill health; his son

Brian became Managing Director, helped by his mother, Cliff's wife Elsie.

Sadly Cliff Halliwell passed away on 28th September 1998. His funeral was attended by hundreds of people from all over the United Kingdom.

The service was held at St Matthews Church, Highfield, Wigan where the Reverend Bill Harrington, the vicar of St Matthews, officiated at the service assisted by a dear friend of Cliff's, Rector John Southern, who was vicar at St Johns Church, Pemberton – the parish which the firm had served for many years.

Following a period of expansion, 2017 saw the opening of R Banks & Son Funerals 12th Funeral home, Templeton Lodge, Platt Bridge.

The former council housing office found us in a pretty poor state of repair to the point that Mr Halliwell actually walked away from the project, yet after a discussions and a little thought they decided to go for it and Templeton Lodge was opened in April 2017 and is already proving a valuable asset to the community, it has been exceptionally well received within the area.

Most people may have said they would leave it there, however there is more to the story, Such as their support of Orrell RUFC over many many years for which we are extremely grateful.

We look forward to the continuing story of their future ideas and their involvement with Orrell RUFC.



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSOR R BANKS AND SON

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SOWING THE SEEDS FOR OUR BRIGHT FUTURE

You can find regular project progress updates on our web site and we will continue to provide them periodically in our match day programme and in future newsletters.

Our challenge is simple, we need to raise £200,000 ourselves over the next 2 to 3 years towards the cost of phase 1 of the project which is the levelling and draining of the land and sowing of the pitches. Because of the lead time for the pitches to mature we need to start phase one as soon as we can **so we need your help now.**

We recently sent out appeal letters to all members and former members and have had a good response in some areas. At the time of writing we have had over 200 register for full membership - to which we expect to add over 100 junior members. We have increased membership of the 200 club by 25% to 126 and we have received 30 donations or pledges bringing the total amount in the development fund to £34,000.

We would like to thank each of the 30 people that have responded with donations or pledges, A significant number of the donations were very generous, however, they come from only 6% of those that received the appeal letters. We are at the early stages of the fund raising but we need more individuals to step forward. We appeal to those who intend to donate to let us know their intentions as soon as they are able.

We will soon be broadening our appeals outside of our members and former members and would ask that if you have any business or personal contacts that you think would be interested in sponsoring or partnering with us on the project then let us know, we have donor packs providing more information.

Finally, if you have some expertise that you think would be helpful or if you just have some time to spare let us know and we can co-opt you onto our fund-raising committee.



Included with this Newsletter is a questionnaire. If you could complete and return to the address on the questionnaire, we would be very grateful. This all helps with our fundraising and grant applications to show there community support for the facility.

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Meet our new Commercial and Sponsorship Manager Dave Hewlett

So why do we need a sponsorship manager? Well the first need is to finance the day to day running of the Club and secondly, in the longer term, to raise "loadsa money" for our Field of Dreams project, the Orrell and Winstanley Community Sports Club.

For this season, 2017/18, we have sponsorship opportunities starting at £25 going up to – well the sky's the limit!!~

A few examples:

- £25 to sponsor a Match Referee
- £50 to sponsor the Match Ball
- £200 to sponsor a 1st XV match day.
- £100 to sponsor a number on the 1st XV shirt Nos 1-22

There are various other sponsorship opportunities involving advertising and support of the 2nd XV, Mini and Junior section, Touch Rugby and the Ladies and Girls teams. We can tailor your budget to match your sponsorship of the Club and to give you maximum exposure, as an individual or as a company, through the match day programme, club website and social media platforms. We'll be highlighting some of our sponsors (new and old) over the next couple of weeks. The Club really does need your support, small or large, so please do not hesitate to contact Dave on 07764 576278 or email: dhewlett.orrellrufc@gmail.com



"To be quite honest most of what my role entails is going round begging, cajoling, pleading or using whatever legal methods I can possibly use, to relieve you of your hard earned cash to sponsor the Club"

RFU GRAND PRIZE DRAW

There are fantastic prizes on offer with the RFU Grand Draw - share the winning chances with family, friends, work colleagues, neighbours etc. The tickets are only £1 each and our Club benefits by keeping 90p for every ticket sold - so we can all win!

This is an easy way to support the Club and your age group with the profits being shared i.e. For every £1 ticket you sell, 90p will be allocated to your age group funds to be spent on your age

group needs including tour funds, additional kit, etc. Further details and how to get your tickets will be published on our website.

The draw will be held on the 1st April. It's also £1 a ticket with 35 prizes the first 5 of which are:

£10,000 cash

2 x £1000 cash prizes

2 tickets and 1 night hotel accommodation in London for an Autumn 2017 international game and a £500 cash prize.

Fundraisers like this are vitally important in supporting the club and rugby union at grass roots level, for Seniors and Juniors alike.

WOULD YOU HELP RWANDA? 1XV PLAYER SCOTT ASTIN IS!

READ HOW SCOTT IS HELPING RWANDAN CHILDREN THROUGH THE POWER OF RUGBY.

My name is Scott Astin. I was born in Huddersfield and grew up in Fleetwood just outside of Blackpool, I started my rugby there in the Mini & Junior Section, before going on to represent the 1XV and Lancashire U18s.

I started playing rugby at Orrell last year, after returning from 3.5 years of working and traveling in Latvia and Australia. Starting with the second team and then progressing on to the first team this season. During the off season, I decided that I would like to combine the two things that have had a big impact on my life traveling and rugby.

So, next year I will be visiting Rwanda on a coaching trip from the 23rd May to 3rd June. When I was younger I was quiet a shy lad and very introvert which rugby and the friendships that came with it changed me as a person for the better. If I could pass a little of that on to the children of Rwanda who have been through so much in the last couple of decades - the genocide of 1994, where it is believed that over just less than a 3-month period, a million people were slaughtered.

The aim is to go over there and try and create the happiness and friendships that I have gained through rugby for these young children and hopefully help them heal a few mental scars with the enjoyment of rugby - even if it is only the tiniest amount then it is something,

The trip will cost £1200 which is a substantial amount, So I will be fundraising to fund my trip and will be going with a charity called Friends of Rwandan Rugby. Any donations or sponsorship will be greatly appreciated - no matter how great or small - because everything counts. If I don't reach the target I will be making the difference up myself. Here are the links to the charity and the donation page I have set up.

<http://friendsofrwandanrugby.com/>

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/scottastin1>

Like I say thank you again, your help is much appreciated. Regards . Scott



GOING ONLINE AT ORRELL RUFC

There's lots going on the communication world of Orrell RUFC. We are taking the opportunity to re-vamp and update our match programme (as you may have already seen) There will still be plenty of existing articles in new formats, but over the forthcoming weeks new features will be introduced. These will reflect what is happening within the club and will include regular updates from our growing Mini & Junior section, social events, fundraising updates, spotlight on players and lots more. The Match Day programme will also be available on line via our website and social media.

We are also taking the opportunity to circulate more of our updates and letters (such as the Newsletter) via email and social media rather than through the post. This will help make the club greener and more cost efficient. If we haven't got your email address, please let us know so that we can keep in touch with you! Our contact details are on the back page.

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ORRELL 2XV FIXTURES LIST

02-Sep-17	Leyland Warriors 1	A	30-10 L
09-Sep-17	Broughton 2	H	0-0 W
16-Sep-17	Leigh 3	A	19-24 W
23-Sep-17	Vale of Lune 4* CUP	H	47-11 W
30-Sep-17	Fylde 4	A	19-19 D
07-Oct-17	Bury 2	H	40-7 W
14-Oct-17	Bury2 (Cup)	A	24-26
21-Oct-17	Sedgley Park 4	A	0-0
28-Oct-17	Rochdale 3	H	0-0
04-Nov-17	Thornton Cleveleys 2	A	0-0
11-Nov-17	Clitheroe 2	H	0-0
25-Nov-17	Hawcoat Park 2	A	0-0
02-Dec-17	Blackburn 3	H	0-0
09-Dec-17			
16-Dec-17	Broughton 2	H	0-0
06-Jan-18	Leigh 3		0-0
13-Jan-18	Vale of Lune 4	A	0-0
20-Jan-18	Fylde 4		0-0
27-Jan-18	Bury 2		0-0
03-Feb-18	Sedgley Park 4	H	0-0
17-Feb-18	Rochdale 3	A	0-0
03-Mar-18	Thornton Cleveleys 2	H	0-0
10-Mar-18	Clitheroe 2	A	0-0
24-Mar-18	Hawcoat Park 2	H	0-0
07-Apr-18	Blackburn 3	A	0-0
14-Apr-18			
21-Apr-18	Leyland Warriors 1		0-0

THERE'S QUITE A FEW EXCITING EVENTS COMING YOUR WAY, COURTESY OF ORRELL RUFC.



The FOPS Annual Sportsman's Dinner will be held on Friday 24th November at Orrell St James Club. 7.00 pm for a 7.30pm start. Cost is £30.00 per head. For tickets or further information, please contact Ian Hollis 07903806438 or Peter Mather 01942 214979

Nigel Owens will be our guest speaker at the Annual Sportsman's Dinner on 8th March 2018 at Houghwood Golf Club.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on 30 May 2018 in St Luke's Church Hall

Following a very successful golf day this year, we have booked the 2018 Golf Day for 8th June 2018. We will once again be holding the Golf Day at Houghwood Golf Club.

OUR U15 LIONS ROAR THROUGH TO THE NEXT ROUND OF THE LANCASHIRE CUP

Our U15s Lions marked the start of the season with a fantastic game at their new home ground of Winstanley College in the first round of the Lancashire Cup. An away win on 24 September at Southport, now sees the team now through to the third round of the cup, which will be played on 5th November.



CAN YOU HELP OUR MINI AND JUNIOR SECTION?

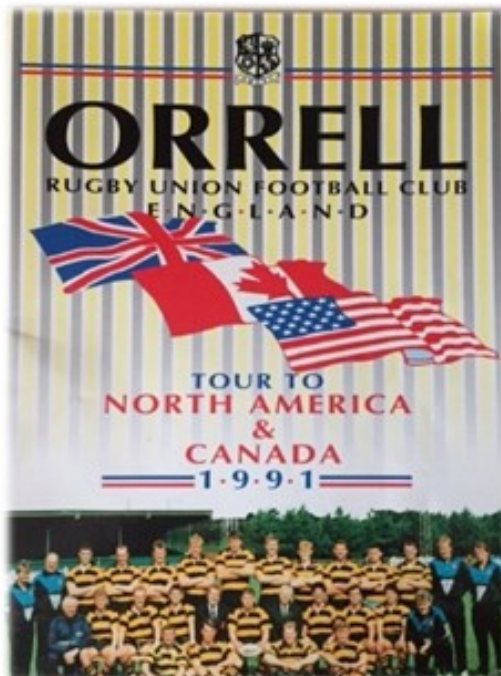
ORMJS need help in running each of our teams. We need volunteers to run around the pitch with the minis during training sessions, helping them to learn how to pass and/or catch a ball; show them where to run to or just help during our warm up and fitness sessions How to make that hour shorter?

We also need Team Managers (sounds hard work but it isn't) to free up our coaches' valuable time for them to do what they do best – coach! During that hour (whilst watching the training and chatting to other parents), the Team Manager would chase up outstanding memberships, subs and generally just keep parents up to date with what's happening in the team (maybe a bit of fundraising or social event. None of the above roles require any special qualifications I should also say that the more the merrier works for us - if 2 or 3 parents want to be "Team Manager" and share the load – then go for it! Same with the running around the pitch (keeping warm); the more help we have on the night; the more we can teach the teams.

If you would like to know more or have any questions or queries, please get in touch via email in the first instance to enquiries@orrellrugbyunion.com and we'll call you for a chat.

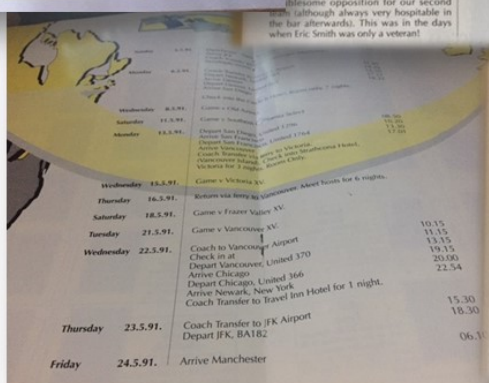
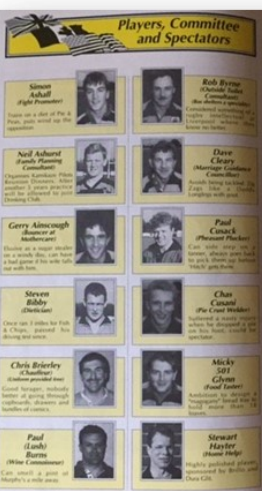


REMEMBER WHEN?



Who remembers this tour and the very interesting job titles?

We've recently had a clear out and have found so many old photographs and memories from days gone by, that we wanted to share with you. Some of these will appear in the programme and some will appear on our Newsletter (make sure we've got your email address so you receive your copy) and some on the website. Do you have any old memories you'd like to share with us? Let us know and we will add your photographs or memories to our Memory Box.



ORRELL RUFC 1XV FIXTURES LIST

1XV Opposition			
02-Sep-17	Wigan	H	41-27 W
09-Sep-17	Liverpool Collegiate	A	38-0 L
16-Sep-17	Oldershaw	H	85-5 W
23-Sep-17	Oswestry	A	20-24 W
30-Sep-17	Aspull	H	25-31 L
07-Oct-17	Winnington Park	A	28-0 L
14-Oct-17	Heaton Moor (CUP)	H	19-20 L
21-Oct-17	Port Sunlight	H	22-7 W
28-Oct-17	Vagabonds (I.O.M.)	A	0-0
04-Nov-17	Congleton	H	0-0
11-Nov-17	Dukinfield	A	0-0
25-Nov-17	Heaton Moor	H	0-0
02-Dec-17	Didsbury Toc H	A	0-0
09-Dec-17	Marple	H	0-0
16-Dec-17	Liverpool Collegiate	H	0-0
06-Jan-18	Oldershaw	A	0-0
13-Jan-18	Oswestry	H	0-0
20-Jan-18	Aspull	A	0-0
27-Jan-18	Winnington Park	H	0-0
03-Feb-18	Port Sunlight	A	0-0
17-Feb-18	Vagabonds (I.O.M.)	A	0-0
03-Mar-18	Congleton	A	0-0
10-Mar-18	Dukinfield	H	0-0
24-Mar-18	Heaton Moor	A	0-0
07-Apr-18	Didsbury Toc H	H	0-0
14-Apr-18	Marple	A	0-0
21-Apr-18	Wigan	A	0-0



Your name could be here supporting one of our players.
Contact our Commercial Manager for more details

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If you have any comments or suggestions as to how we can improve how we keep in touch with you, then please let us know. Contact us via our website www.orrellrugbyunion.com or via email to orrellrugbyunion@gmail.com. You can also contact us via our Club Secretary at 18 Church Street, Orrell, WN5 8TG. To contact the Mini and Junior Section, please email us at orrellminiandjuniors@gmail.com or via the website www.orrellrugbyunion.com



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