

# CAMBERLEY RFC 03.09.22



**London & SE Division** (Regional 1 South Central)

Watchetts Recreation Ground, Park Road, Camberley, Surrey



# Welcome to Camberley RFC

Welcome Everyone to our match against Wimbledon RFC and welcome to a new season.

It's been a while but we are back in the National Leagues and I am sure that we all, players and supporters alike, are looking forward to the new fixtures we have got against some teams we have not played against and some old friends. I know that the players and the coaching staff have been working very hard to get as well-prepared for the coming season as they can with training having taken place for the last couple of months.

We are also looking to expand our playing base with the possibility of turning out a Third XV. So we wish all our players, 1st Team, 2nd Team and 3rds all the best for 2022/23.

I am certain that our other teams - all the Women, Juniors (Girls and Boys), Kids First, Academy and Vets - are raring to go. Let's hope that we get the much needed rain to soften up those pitches and get the grass growing.

We are gathering in the various sponsorships for the programme, the players, the lunches and the overall sponsors for the club so if you are in a position to support us please contact either Paddy (Steve O'Meara) or Andy Edge.

See you all down at the club, Mike Franzkowiak (President)







# President's Day & Rugby Club Magazine Issue 92

# President's Day Camberley 1st XV v Sutton & Epsom on Saturday 17th September

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Read an extensive article on our club with contributions from many club members and sections @ www.rugbyclubmag.com

Pre Season at Henley. Photo by Dinger (and on front cover)



# CAM LOOKING GOOD EVEN IN THE HEAT BY ROGER BERRY

### Tough conditions in season's first run out against The Hawks

So, on one of the hottest days of the year, the residents of Henley together with the hoards of visitors to this idyllic riverside town, were predictably to be found on the riverbank, basking in the glorious sunshine whilst watching the Thames slowly meander through the town. However not everyone was so lucky as, just a few hundred yards from the river, Henley, Camberley and Nantgaredig rugby clubs all arrived to check out their individual progress during pre season training and also to enjoy a free sauna. Despite the horrendous conditions for players and spectators alike we actually witnessed some surprisingly good rugby on a firm but still largely green track aided by frequent water breaks and half time huddles in the shade of the trees.

The triangular saw Cam take on Henley, who have played Nat 2 for a number of years, in 2 x 20 min sessions followed by Cam v Nant, again 2 x 20 min sessions with the triangular finishing with the hosts taking on Nant. The Cam squad comprised largely of last sea -son's squad but it was good to see a couple of returnees in Josh Thundercliffe and Joey Wood together with Vic Hardwicke who was returning after a 2 season injury break.

In the first segment we saw both sides coming close, particularly when a classic backs move saw our Fiery Fireman make great yards before the 'clever' 3v2 move failed. We also saw the Henley left winger through only to be pulled back for a foot on the whitewash. Overall Cam looked very confident although in this first period they did have an issue with the Henley backrow who's jackalling was very effective and it was also good to see the black and ambers winning several pens at scrum time with Bazza having a huge 20 mins. However neither side was able to break each others defences and the break came with the score 0-0.

The second period was much more about Cam as they sought to minimise the jackalling issue and they took the lead with a great lineout catch and drive with our Ozzie Mole, who else, claiming the score and towards the end of the session a great steal by Big Dom saw the ball popped to Liam who's delicate grubber kick was perfect for George to run on to and claim the touchdown. With both kicks successful by Liam this made the final score 14-0 and a very happy coaching team who know that they still have lots of work-ons but they were clearly pleased to see so many good things so early on.

The second game saw Cam take on Nant who had travelled up from South Wales for a pre season escape and who have Alun Rise as part of their coaching team so it was good to see Alun and Lydia up for the occasion. This was much more of an open, training ground style encounter which was made more difficult when following a couple of knocks several Cam players were needed to make up the Nant numbers. Cam seemed to be well in control following a great run and touch down by winger Louis Morris which was followed by the winger again making good yards down the flank and this time his cross field kick was eagerly pounced on by young Jack Johnson making the half time score 14-0 but in the second half with Pickle and Jack now playing for Nant the plucky South Wales side evened up the score for an honourable draw. Again in this squad we saw young Joe Exall having a solid game on his move up from the Academy and it was really good to welcome Stevie H back to the club – lets hope he has a really enjoyable season.

So Risey and his coaching team including new assistant coach Chris Ladler will have plenty to work on in the coming weeks but overall this was a very encouraging first run out and with 30+ boys playing this was a strong showing, something which we will need to maintain for the entire season as there will certainly not be any easy Saturdays in this new league.

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# **Fixtures & Results to Date**

Camberley RFC Fi	Match Sponsor/Information					
13/08/2022 Henley Hawks & Nant RFCs	-	Camberley RFC	Friendly			
20/08/2022 Tottonians RFC	-	Camberley RFC	Friendly			
03/09/2022 Camberley RFC	-	Wimbledon RFC	League	SCRUFFS		
10/09/2022 Havant RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
17/09/2022 Camberley RFC	-	Sutton & Epsom RFC	League	President's Day		
24/09/2022 Bracknell RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
01/10/2022 Camberley RFC	-	Banbury RFC	League	Dave Scott & Stewart Davies		
15/10/2022 Camberley RFC	-	Maidenhead RFC	League	The Thursday Touch Training Group		
22/10/2022 Brighton RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
29/10/2022 Camberley RFC	-	Bournemouth RFC	League	Andy Todd & Rowly Thomas		
05/11/2022 London Welsh RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
12/11/2022 Camberley RFC	-	Royal Wootton Bassett RFC	League	Denis Fuller & SCRUFFS		
26/11/2022 Oxford Quins RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
03/12/2022 Camberley RFC	-	Havant RFC	League	Derek & Simon Olsen		
10/12/2022 Sutton & Epsom RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
17/12/2022 Camberley RFC	-	Bracknell RFC	League	Sean Bradbery/Dave Whitfield & Mike Franzkowiak/John Carpenter		
07/01/2023 Banbury RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
14/01/2023 Maidenhead RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
21/01/2023 Camberley RFC	-	Brighton RFC	League	Howard Ford & Gus Bartlett		
28/01/2023 Bournemouth RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
04/02/2023 6 Nations	-			England v Scotland		
11/02/2023 Camberley RFC	-	London Welsh RFC	League	C. Powell/Smart Cyber Security Ltd.		
12/02/2023 6 Nations	-			England v Italy		
18/02/2023 Royal Wootton Bassett RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League			
25/02/2023 6 Nations	-			Wales v England		
04/03/2023 Camberley RFC	-	Oxford Quins	League	Chris & Harry Gibson		
11/03/2023 Wimbledon RFC	-	Camberley RFC	League	England v France (4.45)		
18/03/2023 6 Nations	-			Ireland v England		
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### The Charity Ride (see report later in the programme)



Our Magnificent Seven -Laura, Poppy, Kirstyn, Tom, Brizzle, Marvin aka Greg and Voighty

# **Sponsors & Today's Matches**

London & SE Division Regional 1 South Central (KO 3.00p.m.)

1st XV v Wimbledon RFC 1st XV

Surrey Premiership League 1 (KO 1.00p.m.)

2nd XV V Wimbledon RFC 2nd XV



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# **League Tables**

### London & SE Division (Regional 1 South Central) League

#	Team	<u>P</u>	w	D	L	PF	PA	+/-	ТВ	LB	Pts
1	Banbury	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Bournemouth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Bracknell	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Brighton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Camberley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Havant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	London Welsh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Maidenhead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Oxford Harlequins	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Royal Wootton Bassett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Sutton & Epsom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Wimbledon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### **Surrey Premiership League 1**

#	Team	P	W	D	L	PF	PA	<u>+/-</u>	ТВ	LB	Pts
1	Battersea Ironsides 2nd XV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Brighton II	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Camberley 2nd XV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Dorking A XV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Esher Abbots (3rd XV)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Farnham 2nd XV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Horsham II	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Richmond Normans (4th XV)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Sutton & Epsom 2nd XV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Wimbledon 2nd XV	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



# Camberley RFC 1st XV



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Voight, Alex Hughes Backs Coach - Liam

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### No. Name

- 1 Greg Franzel
- **2** John Murphy
- 3 Nick Barry
- 4 Sam Voight
- 5 Dom Sammut
- 6 Chris Bird
- 7 Shawa Rai
- 8 Alex Hughes
- 9 Tom Chennell
- 10 Liam Prescott
- **11** George Owen
- **12** Jaid Wiltshire
- **13** Joe Wood
- 14 Gabe Hills
- 15 Vic Hardwicke
- 16 Josh Thundercliffe
- 17 Ed Grosvenor
- 18 Josua Lewanituva





# Camberley RFC 2nd XV



# the Penny Group

### **Position**

Jack Lear
 Martin Clark

3. Richard Haire

4. Sam Hadlington5. Christopher Lear

6. Joshuia Watson

7. Dan Matthews

8. Ben Lovell-Smith

Jack JohnsonBen Stevens

11. James Huckle 12. Matt Bowers

13. Alex Young

14. Adam Musa

15. Tom Allen

16. James Richardson

17. Ben Bowen

18. Mitch Farrant

19. James Alcock

Loose Head Prop Hooker

**Tight Head Prop** 

Lock

Blind Side Flanker Open Side Flanker

No. 8

Scrum Half Fly Half

Wing Centre Centre Wing

Full Back Substitute

Substitute Substitute

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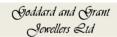
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### **Today's Opposition - Wimbledon RFC**

A founding member of the Rugby Football Union, The club's first recorded game was played on 26 December 1865 against Richmond Rugby Club and was reported in the Surrey Comet. In those days the club was known as the Wimbledon Hornets. In 1871, Wimbledon's captain, Leonard James Maton, was called upon to represent the club at a meeting of 19 rugby clubs (including Blackheath, Richmond, The Law Club, Guy's Hospital, Harlequins and King's College Hospital) which were formed in England at the time. The purpose of the meeting was to form the Rugby Football Society and it was held on 26 January at the Pall Mall Restaurant, Cockspur Street. Leonard Maton (an Old Rugbeian) was elected to the Rugby Football Society's Executive Committee and, single-handedly, wrote the first Laws of rugby. In 1874, he went onto become the third President of what was by then known as the Rugby Football Union. By this time, we had changed our name to Wimbledon Rugby Football Club.

Another of our captains, H.J. Graham, became Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the RFU in 1877. It was to him that the first letter was sent from a rugby club in India that was folding due to lack of membership. They were offering £60 to the RFU which would pay for a trophy of "Indian workmanship" to be made. The trophy would be played for annually between "the last few remaining members of the [RFU]" so that this Indian rugby club could be remembered in rugby history...and so the Calcutta Cup was born. The originals of these letters are held in the RFU Museum at Twickenham but we also hold copies.

The club played on Wimbledon Common until the First World War, using the Rose and Crown in Wimbledon Village as our changing rooms and clubhouse. We then went into suspended animation when the First World War started and re-formed in 1927. It was at this time that we changed our colours from broad blue and white to maroon and blue. By the late 1950s we had begun to play at our, now cherished home at Beverley Meads. The earliest reported game from that time was against Westminster Hospital, who subsequently merged with 2 other hospitals and now play as Imperial Medicals Rugby Club. The club continued to play at Barham road before eventually leasing the fields in the mid 80s and making it our permanent home. Shortly after this the amateur leagues were formed, and clubs march up them began.

The Womens' side of the club was born in the 1990/1991 season by John and Tina Ambler. The women are also still going strong and have become one of the leading Women's team in the area and currently play in the Championship league.

In the 1997/1998 season, club stalwart Jim Green was tasked with setting up a minis (and later youth) section. Having recently passed their 25 anniversary this section of the club now boasts well over 600 players, including 3 youth girls teams, a collection of county trophies and regularly supply elite players for academies and national youth sides.

# 1st XV Squad



Michael Clarke



Adam Musa



Tom Allen



Nick Barry



Josh Lewanituva



Josh Watson



Tom Chennell



Chris Bird



George Owen



Ben Lovell-Smith





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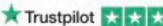
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# **Charity Challenge Smashed**

by Roger Berry (8th August 2022)

### **Our Magnificent Seven Smash their Charity Ride**

So after the long build up our intrepid Charity team, ably supported by Tweedeldum aka Dave and his mate Stu, smashed their challenge and achieved their initial target of £3,500 and this despite Voighty crashing on at least 3 occasions during the 2 days. I must add, in his defence, that he vehemently denies being the perpetrator in any of the collisions. Being serious for just a moment this really was an amazing effort by Our Magnificent Seven - Laura, Poppy, Kirstyn, Tom, Brizzle, Marvin aka Greg and Voighty and there is still the opportunity to donate and achieve the magic £4K total which would mean a massive £1000 to each of the amazing charities they are supporting. The following is Greg's much awaited account of this memorable journey (he claims that he needed a week to recover!!) and again please, if you can, help us make it to £4K

The team gathered very early on a nice crisp morning to begin the big task of cycling the 200 miles into the Brecon Beacons from Camberlev. Day 1 started off well and the team flew threw the first stage arriving at Aldermaston in good spirit and in positive spirits however leg 2 provided some drama (eventually laughs) as Kirstyn aka "the Swiper" took a right turn while going down a straight road and taking Sam out (luckily at a slower pace as it was at the crest of a large hill Thankfully nobody was hurt except Sam's bike which lost a number of gears for the duration on the ride. He was having a nightmare though and became known as "The Common Denominator" having tiny collisions with nearly ever other rider The team was able to fly through the rest of Day 1 arriving at the bridge well before we had anticipated mainly due to the fantastic support team of Dave Dunsby and Stu Palmer who kept us sane and hydrated After two dinners and a big sleep the team set off for Day 2 which would be a lot harder due to the hills we would be climbing later in the day. After flying through the first two stages through Newport and Cardiff the team stopped for some lunch and recovery Stage 3 loomed as a tough test and a huge climb up to Bridgend from Cardiff with some very long hills starting to really the mental fortitude of the group. The sight of Dave and Stu however was of immense relief and they were probably shocked about how happy we were to see them Along came the last leg of 26 miles up through Port Talbot and into Crynant which was relatively tame compared to Leg 3 however provided a lovely 2 mile climb into Crynant right at the finish line but the realisation of the cycle nearly being completed spurred us all on to complete it quite quickly. As the 200 mile cycle was not enough the team then entered a Beach Rugby tournament on Sunday fielding a mixed team in the men's division. Thankfully we only had a couple games to play as legs started to feel very heavy very quickly but it was a great laugh and thanks to Swansea Beach Rugby for the invite The biggest thank you must go to Dave and Stu for keeping us going and providing so much support - hopefully they enjoyed it too! A large thank you to all those who donated too it is very appreciated and for any other late donations the page is still open and everything we raise is going to support some very worthwhile causes

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### What's our City Lunch?

For those of you who have not attended this event before, it's a really fun day, that kicks off with plenty of G&Ts, followed by a three-course lunch and an auction with some fantastic lots on offer. This year we have managed to secure Nigel Owens as our guest speaker. The feedback from previous years has been great, and the event has built in popularity each time. Monies raised go to our club, benefiting all our members! We will also be making a donation to MIND the Mental Health Charity.

### Who's it for?

Our City Lunch is for club members and their families, friends, business contacts and clients who enjoy a great 'corporate' day out.

### How to express interest

Email our club secretary Nicki Bundock to express your interest: nicki@camberleyrug-byclub.co.uk You're able to buy between one and ten tickets. Please let Nicki know who you'd like to sit with.

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