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Chairmans Welcome

Today we have great pleasure in welcoming Dings Crusaders for their first ever visit to Magnolia Road. It is a pleasure to have you as our guests today and whatever the result we hope you enjoy your time with us today.

For those of us supporting at Old Albanians it was another tense occasion but, in the end, we prevailed to win our first ever away win in National 2 South.

It was marred by the ugly stamping incident on Aston's head, but we all wish him well and a speedy recovery and a return to the team as soon as possible.

Today is also our Presidents Lunch and Mike will be addressing you after lunch. I would like to also extend a warm welcome to all the Rams players attending today, If I can call them this, the ex-Warwick Uni boys and friends including Big Roy all the way over from Brunei and a big welcome and goodbye to an old friend of mine, Alex Dagleish, who is moving to Columbia with his Columbian wife.

You will notice an empty plastic pint glass in the middle of the table. As we do not charge an entry fee yet, we ask each one

of you to put £2 each in the pot to pay for your match day programme.

Thanks.

Ray Stephenson

ROCHFORD HUNDRED RUGBY CLUB
- Chairman



Rochford Hundred Rugby Club

LEAGUE LUNCHES

16th October 2021 v **DINGS CRUSADERS**

30th October 2021 v **LEICESTER LIONS**

20th November 2021 v **HENLEY**

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18th December 2021 v **WESTCLIFF**

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PLAYER PROFILE

JORDAN DYER

NAME – Jordan Dyer

AGE – 22

HEIGHT – 5 foot 8
(on tip toes with shoes on)

WEIGHT – 98kg

POSITION – Hooker/aspiring 7

PREVIOUS CLUBS

– Southend RFC, Cardiff Uni RFC

WHAT'S YOUR PRE MATCH MEAL?

– Chicken Pesto Pasta

FAVOURITE DRINK? – Amstel

BEST RUGBY MEMORY? – The bus back after beating St Mary's away whilst at Cardiff

WORST RUGBY MEMORY? – Any game I've played with Matt Needham

MOST ANNOYING TEAMMATE? – Matt Needham

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Coaches Corner

Good Afternoon everyone and a warm welcome to Dings to Magnolia Road. We come into today's game off of the back of our first ever away win in National 2 which was a very proud moment for the club. We needed a last minute kick to do it but we were deserved winners and dominated the game for large periods, but for a couple of silly errors which led to the OA's try at the start of the second half which brought them back into the game. But to win away against any team in this league is tough but to do it against opposition with a Saracens link was particularly pleasing. And what is also pleasing is that there is still so much more to come from this group of players.

A big show of respect needs to go to our pack last week. Both props played 80 minutes and the hooker played 78 minutes which is a hell of a stint from a front row playing at this level. Also Chris Shields, Craig Strachan and Harry Hudson who also had high carry and high tackle counts for the game. And Sam Cappaert also deserves a big shout out for having balls of steel and slotting the last kick of the game to give us that win.

Today we host Dings in what will no doubt be a very physical and confrontational game, we also know from watching the videos that they are more than just a 'big pack' but they also offer a threat out wide too so we will need to defend like we have in the previous 3 weeks if we have any chance of winning this game. We also know we need to be more energetic and less predictable in attack and control the ball if we want to break them down and score try's. But we've had another excellent weeks

training and we fully believe we can do this.

We welcome into the squad Jack Daly today who is on loan from Blackheath, and who works with me at Seevic College and he has already shown his quality and will add loads to this team not just in performance but also in experience. So welcome Jack and good luck today.

And finally I also want to congratulate the Harts XV who beat local rivals Westcliff on their own turf last week and here's hoping for another win double today.

Enjoy the game.

Danny Cleare

ROCHFORD HUNDRED RUGBY CLUB
- Head Coach



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4	Olly Bilton
5	Danny Hodge
6	Alex Bilton
7	Tom Anderson
8	Jake Holcombe
9	Tom Knight
10	Ben Bolster
11	Harry Tovey
12	Tom Price
13	Harry Rowson
14	Tom Hargan
15	Matthew Jones

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17	Josh Lloyd
18	Ben Bamber
19	Steve Plummer
20	Brad Doggett

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Saturday 16th October

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Friday 5th November

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Saturday 18th December

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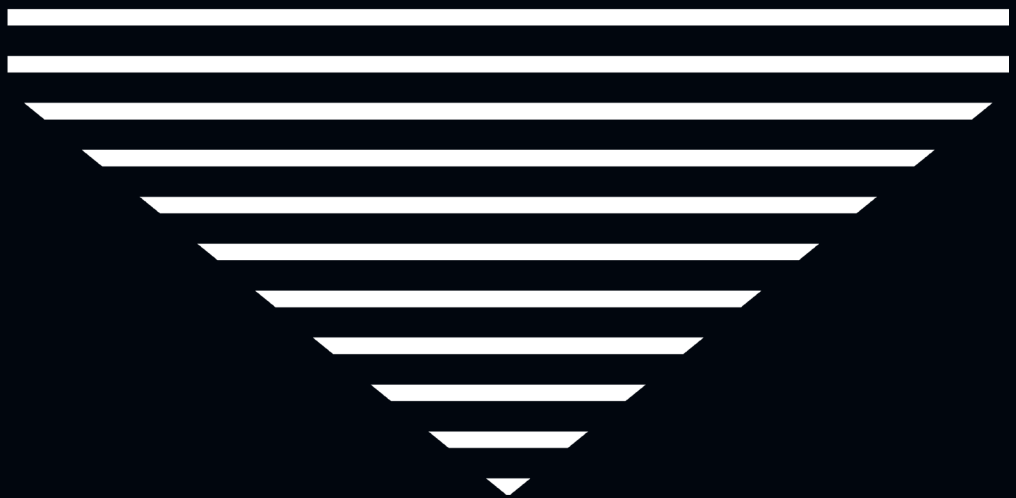
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PLAYER PROFILE

CHRIS DUDMAN

NAME – Chris Dudman

AGE – 28

HEIGHT – 6'0

WEIGHT – 97kg

POSITION – Utility Back

PREVIOUS CLUBS – Westcliff,
Batcho Santander, Tomitanii Constanta

WHAT'S YOUR PRE MATCH MEAL?
– Scrambled eggs on toast

FAVOURITE DRINK? – G&T (Hendricks)

BEST RUGBY MEMORY? – Debut for Malta

WORST RUGBY MEMORY? – Wearing the newly
designed Rochford away shirt vs Esher

MOST ANNOYING TEAMMATE? – Lewis Brunger,
profusely sweats and insists on coming into team huddles

ANY SUPERSTITIONS? – Nope



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Rochford Hundred Rugby Club

Welcome to Rochford Hundred Rugby Club

Our Club History

Rochford Hundred was the brainchild of John Roden and Ernie Mills and was first discussed in November 1961 when the two met at the White Hart in Hawkwell. John had played at Ilford Wanderers and Ernie was an Old Tottonian so both were keen to play on their own doorstep. The inaugural meeting was held on the 4th January 1962 at the Bull Inn and was attended by a small group. The club now needed a ground and the assistance of County Councillor, later Alderman, Bill Wright was sought. He was appointed Chairman and very quickly secured the use of Rocheway School which had been closed due to its proximity to Southend airport.

This of course gave the club changing rooms and rugby pitches immediately. To get players an advert was placed in the Southend Pictorial and no less than 45 replies were received. Old Westcliffians had seen the advert and invited the new committee to a beer and cheese evening at the Gables. From this Rochford secured a fixture and an introduction to the London fixture Exchange. The first fixture was in fact against Billericay and not Old Westcliffians however. The name of the club had been suggested by John Roden after he saw a poster by Rochford Hundred Licensed Victuallers Association in the White Hart. Rochford Hundred was after all the name of the district.

The club also managed to secure a clubhouse in the car park of the Horse & Groom thanks to Mrs Innell, the licensee, and quickly set to work to make it ready for use for season 1962/63, although it was in use from March 1962.

It is worth noting that the first games were played in March and April 1962 and that Bob Light was captain.

In Season 1962/63 the club fielded 2 senior teams and a Colts team which is remarkable for a first full season. It is recorded that over 70 fixtures were arranged for this first season. Tony Davies was the 1st XV captain in this season. The Colts team was made up of a number of players from Rayleigh Secondary Modern School (now Fitzwimarc) and Sweyne School. Indeed David Allen (then a 16 year old) remembers being at one of the formation meetings at the Bull when he was still at school.

The first few years were not particularly successful but things changed when the likes of Mike Treasure came onto the scene. He was captain in 1965/66 and 1966/67 and was our first full Essex cap. His team went unbeaten for 18 months and were one of the highest scoring teams in the country. He was fortunate in having players of the calibre of Peter Coster, who was a great centre. Regrettably, Peter died recently in America, where he had been living for many years.

With playing success there came a desire to move to our own ground and in 1968 Jim Sowter, who used to write a column in the local press, printed a story that the club wished to purchase a field in the Rochford district big enough for pitches and a clubhouse. He received a letter from the lady secretary of Southend Manor Football club stating that they had an option on 10 acres of land in Magnolia Road. They were unable to raise the money to proceed and suggested that we might like to take over the option. Jim arranged a meeting between her and Ernie Mills and Ernie liked what he saw and took up the option. The land cost £3,200 and the purchase was completed in March 1969. The Rugby Football Union provided a loan of £2,100 towards the purchase.

The lengthy process of obtaining finance, building the clubhouse and preparing the pitches could now be started. In September 1970 a grant of £5,592 was offered by the Ministry of Housing and local Government and this was supplemented by grants and loans from the Essex Playing Fields Association and the National Playing Fields Association. In July, 1971 the Club gave the go-ahead to Muggleton's to start building based on an estimated cost of £11,320 of which we had raised only £8,000. The clubhouse was officially opened by Dickie Jeeps in April, 1974 when the 1st XV played against a strong Eastern Counties XV.

In 1971/72, when Malcolm Fleming was captain, there were two memorable games both in the Essex Senior Cup. The first game was against Old Bancroftians when Dickie Kent, who played scrum half for England, and Howard Waller, who was a renowned sevens player for Richmond, were in the Bancroft side. Rochford won 21-6 in a tremendous match and demonstrated that they had joined the top echelons of Essex rugby. The next round was against Barking Park Modern Old Boys at Rocheway and a pulsating match was finally won by Barking 14-12. To those who were present these were two of the finest matches played by Rochford.

The pitches in those early days at Magnolia Road were frankly dreadful but over the years there has been considerable work on them and they are now adequate for the task, if not perfect. In the late 1980's and early 1990's the clubhouse was expanded substantially with new changing rooms a gym and a new clubroom and kitchen. Floodlights were also installed.

Our youth section has gone from strength to strength and provides players for our 1st XV and other club teams. In fact our current 1st XV is almost entirely made up of former youth players. We have a ladies and girls section which is unusual among Essex Clubs. The club is currently playing in National League 2 South and we can look back on 60 years of activity with considerable satisfaction.

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