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LEITH RUGBY

BT East Region League 2

LEITH RUGBY
v
DALKEITH

04 NOV 2017

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CAPTAIN'S CORNER



"Hopefully today's match will show further improvement"

Ben Wilkinson
Club Captain

Welcome Dalkeith to Academy Park. Leith will be looking to move up the league table after a return to winning ways last weekend against RDVC.

Dalkeith have recently had a bad run of form but going on previous battles between the two familiar rivals, we should look forward to a cracking game. Over the last few years Dalkeith have proved to be the superior team with Leith failing to win in the last five meetings.

Last weekend, Leith travelled to Peffermill to take on RDVC. This proved to be an exciting match from start to finish. The Leithers had a strong pack and showed their power up front. On an very windy day, Leith collected maximum points but failed to show the complete performance we are capable of. Hopefully today's match will show further improvement.

The 2nd XV are in action today away to Moray House/Watsonian 4XV. Last week again saw a good performance but unfortunately the game went to Ross High. A few early injuries had the Leith men on the back foot and the lads will be looking to make up for the result today. We continue to fulfil steady 2nd XV fixtures which is a good sign of progress for our club.

In club news, last Saturday saw the return of the Leith Rugby Quiz night mixed this time with Halloween. Thanks to everyone who came along and thanks to Craig Winton and bar staff for the night.

Good luck to both teams today and hopefully we'll be in for an entertaining game of rugby.

LEITH RUGBY FIXTURES

DATE	FIRST XV	HOME	AWAY	SECOND XV	HOME	AWAY
26 AUG	BARNTON	H				
02 SEP	HAWICK LINDEN	A				
09 SEP	LISMORE	H		ROSS HIGH 2NDXV	A	
16 SEP	EARLSTON	A		BARNTON 2NDXV	H	
23 SEP	EDINBURGH NORTHERN	H		WALKERBURN	A	
30 SEP	PENICUIK	A		CALEDONIAN THEBANS	H	
07 OCT	ROSS HIGH	H		DALKEITH 2NDXV	A	
14 OCT	GALA YM	A		DUNBAR/NORTH BERWICK 2NDXV	H	
21 OCT	EDINBURGH UNI MEDICS	H		DUNS 2NDXV	A	
28 OCT	RDVC	A		ROSS HIGH	A	
04 NOV	DALKEITH	H		MORAY HOUSE/WATSONIAN 4THXV	A	
11 NOV				MUSSELBURGH 3RD XV	A	
18 NOV	LIBERTON	A		QUEENSFERRY	H	
25 NOV				ROSS HIGH 2NDXV	H	
02 DEC	TRINITY	H		BARNTON 2NDXV	A	
09 DEC	INVERLEITH	A		WALKERBURN	H	
16 DEC	LANGHOLM	H				

MATCH REPORT RDVC 12 - 28 LEITH

After the frustration of the previous week's postponement vs Edinburgh Medics, Leith went into last Saturday's game with RDVC looking to snap a 3-game losing streak. Peffermill has been a pretty happy hunting ground for Leith in the past. However a combination of the aforementioned streak, coupled with the Vets own significant improvement following a spell in the BT East Development league, meant a tricky fixture was forecast, and so it ensued.

Although Leith dominated territory and possession throughout the first half, some poor decision-making, as well some strong defence meant that despite excellent ball-carrying from the whole pack, particularly Fraser Forsyth, Joe O'Neil, Michele Crolla and Toby Kirkwood, the opening score was a while in coming. Leith finally broke the hosts down around the 20-minute mark, with a sweeping move to the right allowing scrumhalf Ross Kilgour to make a break and put Ross Marwick into a 1-on-1, the big wing crossing out wide. However, not long after Kenny Dannfald, who would be 100% with his conversions, had added difficult extras the Vets chanced their arm from long distance, offloading out of the tackle for a halftime score of 7-7.

Leith huffed and puffed at the start of the 2nd half, but again despite dominating possession, territory and the set piece, were unable to make the break through. Dannfald missed a penalty just before the hour, however the fullback would put Leith into the lead shortly after, when following two excellent breaks from substitutes Andrew Paterson and Robbie Allen, Dannfald took the scoring pass from Allen to dive over, converting his own try for a 14-7 lead.



Allen continued to punch holes through the Vets midfield, and linking with Jamie Scotland-Drummond, the pair took Leith just into the opposing 22, where centre Doug Watters picked at the base and dummied his way over the line. Dannfald added the conversion for a 21-7 lead and Leith were beginning to focus on the bonus point. However a lapse followed, and the Vets number 8, who had played well all day brushed off a couple of would-be tacklers to go over for an unconverted try and at 21-12. Leith though were able to get the next (and final) score, with replacement scrumhalf Fergal MacNamara attacking the line and skipping in for a converted try, and a 28-12 victory.

All in all, it was a victory forged in the forwards, and despite singling out one or two in the course of this report, it was all eight plus the four replacements who set the platform for the Leith backs to eventually hog the glory.

Tries: Ross Marwick, Kenny Dannfald, Doug Watters, Fergal MacNamara

Conversions: Kenny Dannfald (4)

Man of the Match: Doug Watters

LEITH YOUTH RUGBY DEVELOPMENT

Leith Rugby Youth Development was set up with the following aims:

- ▶ **To increase participation in rugby among 5-18 year olds in the Leith area**
- ▶ **To increase participation in adult men's rugby by developing a link between Leith Academy and Leith Rugby Club**
- ▶ **To support the development of the women's game in Leith through increasing participation among girls at primary and secondary school**



Boys teams will go under the name of Leith Hawks, girls teams will be known as Leith Vixens.



On October 12th Leith Rugby Club hosted their 5th rugby festival. 250 P4 children were involved with the touch rugby festival. Schools included Leith Primary, Lorne Primary, Craigentenny Primary, Hermitage Park Primary and St Ninian's Primary. It was a great day out for all the pupils and lots of fun was had. The quality of the touch rugby on show was first class and the day ran smoothly. There was a tackle station on the day so some children got to try out contact rugby for the first time.



In conjunction with the seven week block of rugby, we have been running after school clubs at Leith Academy and St Ninian's Primary school. We have seen numbers continue to grow at these afterschool clubs and are always looking for more kids to come along. At the afterschool clubs we play touch rugby and contact rugby.

Going forward we are starting to organise Friday afternoon fixtures for the P6/7 pupils who attend the afterschool clubs. After the October break rugby delivery starts again for P5 pupils in the five schools. After 6/7 weeks of rugby delivery we will host another rugby festival.

During the summer Leith Rugby Club in partnership with Active Schools ran a summer camp for the first time. We had a mixture of boys and girls from P4-P7.

LEITH YOUTH RUGBY DEVELOPMENT

The summer camp covered some of the fundamental skills of rugby and also looked at playing through the game by playing fun games and developing the children's game understanding and skills. Looking forward we plan to run an Easter camp next year and also a summer camp.

We are also starting to put volunteers through rugby qualification courses so they can help out game coaching at our rugby festival and assist the rugby development going on in the Leith area. We have a number of school pupils attending Level 1 rugby coaching courses over October school holidays. In addition to this the LRYD were given money to spend on rugby equipment and have purchased rugby balls and branded Leith Hawks bibs which have been given to the schools.

LRYD can now apply to charitable trusts and foundations for funding to carry out its programme, as well as organising in-house funding events such as sponsored events and raffles.

This is great opportunity for the members of Leith to support the hard work of the youth rugby committee so that we can continue the funding of primary and secondary school rugby.

We all know the benefits of team sport, the health benefits to be gained from children being active, how sport can help develop social skills, build self-esteem and confidence and help kids learn valuable life skills. We also know how rugby helps you make life-long friends.

We have all been there and we have all experienced the above and we still do. If it wasn't for rugby would you be reading this today? Would you be standing reminiscing about a tour to somewhere 20 or 30 years ago with someone you would never have met if it hadn't been for playing rugby?



Rugby is a great game to be enjoyed by all. Please help LRYD pass on these opportunities to the local children in Leith by supporting our work.

The LRYD steering group is made up of:
Gordon Anderson, Bruce Tyler, Derek Greenan, Alex Bowman, Willie Cook, Russell Duncan, Brian Samson and Andrew McIntosh.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and please do get in touch should you wish to discuss any of the above.

LRYD

TOBY KIRKWOOD



Position
Age
First club
Former clubs

Wing
26
Heriots, aged 8
Heriots,
Murrayfield
Wanderers,
Dalkeith

Edinburgh Rugby

Pro team

Edinburgh Rugby



TK: I once threw up in a scrum having had too many the night before!

PREVIOUSLY

25/03/17 BT EAST 2
LEITH 24 V 37 DALKEITH

LEITH FORM

A 2x4 grid of triangles. The top row contains two blue triangles pointing up, and the bottom row contains two red triangles pointing down.

DALKEITH FORM

BT DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

2PM | PEFFERMILL

TK: The Trivago advert lady. Got to love her voice. GE: Mary Berry. She could teach me how to bake the perfect quiche then we could eat it off each other... ideal Sunday afternoon.

TK: I'm an international assassin.

Today is David Campese's 55th Bi

TK: A kicking tee!

LEITH 1ST XV

K DANNFALD	15
S EADIE	14
D WATTERS	13
S MUIRDEN	12
A PATERSON	11
B WILKINSON (C)	10
F MCNAMARA	9
J DRUMMOND	8
G AITKEN	7
P HAGGON	6
M MCLEISH	5
M CROLLA	4
J O'NEIL	3
C WINTON	2
C LAWRIE	1

SWILSON 16 N OLSON
F FORSYTH 17 C HOY
P MITCHELL 18 J FLEKY
R ALLEN 19

LEITH 2ND XV

5 M REA
4 J COYLE
3 J SMITH
2 O JENKINS
1 D BAPTIE
0 G LEES
9 W SPEAKMAN
8 R BARCLAY
7 J FOGARTY
6 T KESTNER
5 D BERGER
4 D CORDOBA
3 C KERR (C)
2 G CALABRESE
1 M MINUTI

17/18 BT EAST LEAGUE 2

#	TEAM	P	PTS
09	PENICUIK	9	19
10	EARLSTON	10	17
11	LEITH RUGBY	9	16
12	DALKEITH	9	14

GAMES



POINTS



TRIES



ASSISTS



MAN OF MATCH

