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Good luck for the upcoming season



Leith Rugby

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BT East League Division 2
Leith Rugby v Trinity
24 January 2015



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Captain's Corner



*"I'd like to thank
our committee and
the rugby public for
supporting us"*

Doug Watters

Happy New Year to you all and welcome to the first fixture at Academy Park in 2015. A particularly warm welcome to our visitors, Trinity Academicals.

Today's game is a fitting return to competitive action for us, as we've frustratingly had a break since playing Earlston on December 6. As many will know, following the postponement of our game at Forrester on December 13, we took the unanimous decision as a playing squad, supported by our committee, to fulfil a long-standing commitment to the Caring Christmas Tree charity, rather than play on the standby date of December 20. For this stance, we received a great many messages of support and goodwill and on behalf of the guys, I'd like to take this first opportunity since to thank our committee, and the rugby public, for supporting us.

To today's game, and it is always an enjoyable tussle against our opponents, who are coming off a good home win over Edinburgh Northern which will give them confidence coming into today's game. We'll be looking to blow off the cobwebs early in an attempt to do the double over our visitors, following the 43-18 win at Bangholm in October. We hope those along today enjoy the game and give us their backing as we begin a big few weeks with today's derby followed by visits to Edinburgh Northern and Forrester, then the rearranged games with Inverleith (Feb 14) and at Penicuik (Feb 21). All eyes on Academy Park today first though. Enjoy the game.

Season Stats

BT East Regional League Division 2 2014/15

#	Team	P	W	L	D	+/-	PTS
1	St Boswells	13	13	0	0	928	64
2	Forrester	12	11	1	0	547	55
3	Leith Rugby	11	8	3	0	83	40
4	Inverleith	12	7	4	1	19	36

Scorers 2014/15

Games	Tries	Points	Assists	MoM
17 K Dannfald	24 K Dannfald	225 K Dannfald	22 B Skipper	2 K Dannfald N Paterson C Smith
16 K Gow R Kilgour B Skipper C Smith	23 C Smith	115 C Smith	21 C Smith	
	8 S Eadie	52 D Watters	8 K Dannfald D Watters	

Leith last six: LWWLWW

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Youth Development Raffle

Leith Rugby are beginning a Youth Development pilot this month, delivering rugby coaching to Primary 4-7 in four local primary schools. In order to support this, we have organised a raffle to be drawn at the Inverleith Home Game on February 14th. Get yours today! Prizes include:

1 night's stay for 2 at Twelve Picardy Place, with dinner for 2 at STEAK donated by Everything4Rugby.com

3-month Gym & Swim Pass donated by Edinburgh Leisure

£50 Dinner voucher donated by The Constitution Bar and Grill

£50 Bar Tab donated by Cask & Still

2-week Gym membership donated by Fitness Soul

Malt Whisky donated by Castle Private Hire LTD

Player Profile



Position Flanker
Age 40
Height 5'10
Weight 102kg
Appearances 14

Best opponent

Best player I have played against for Leith would probably be Sean Lineen in 1998, when Leith played a social game against a team of ex-Scotland players to mark the opening of the new clubhouse. He was a class act.

How long can you keep going?

As long as I can still get about the park and scrummage, how long that will be in the first 15 who knows as every season is getting harder. Would like to finish where I started though in the 4ths (odds of Leith putting out 4 teams again not high but one can hope) but hopefully that won't be for a good few years yet though.

Willie Cook

Willie is Leith's longest-serving current player, having made his debut for the club in 1992 for the 4th XV(!) against Ferranti 2nds, and he shows no signs of slowing down. Well, you can't lose what you never had! His experience and durability remains a vital component in the 1st XV.

Favourite memory in a Leith shirt

My favourite personal rugby memory is winning the League in 1999/2000 at Broughton, the first time we'd won a league in years. I remember the day well but not the night, as we drank about 30 bottles of fizz in the changing rooms after the game. and all the players missed being awarded the trophy at Broughton. (Fantastic night at the club afterwards from what I remember.)

Best player played with

Johnny Welsh (tight head prop from the 90s). I could add other names but have plumped for a fellow front row forward as I think it's a hard call to compare players from different positions. I could have said Colin Polson, but we never played much together as we were both competing for the hooker's jersey in the early to mid-nineties – so were seldom on the park at the same time.