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## WELCOME TO WOODHEAD PARK

Today we welcome players, representatives, and supporters from Rochdale for what I think will be a real humdinger of a match!

Our boys will be looking to bounce back from their first loss of the season down at Dronfield. Rochdale will be looking to follow up a big win over at Goole. In fact, our visitors have racked up some big scores this season so far over Moortown, Crocs and now Goole, along with two narrow losses to Morley and second-in-the-table Malton & Norton. Great match up ahead at 3pm as third-in-the-table Brods take on fifth place 'Dale.

Before kick off we have almost 100 diners joining us in the clubhouse for our second **Lunch with a Crunch** of the season with great food, company and entertainment from comedian Jamie Sutherland.

We'd like to say a massive thank you today to our Matchday Sponsor **Heatworks**. Craig Ayrton has been a huge advocate for rugby here at Woodhead Park and we thank him for all his continued support at the club.

It really is a bumper weekend of rugby as our 2nd XV head over to Pontefract, many of our junior's head over to the Sandal Festival in the morning and then there's some intriguing fixtures tomorrow here at 11am. Our U13s play Heath and U14s face Hull Ionians whilst our U15s head over to Rochdale!

The bumper weekend rolls on to the screens as we also look forward to the knockout stages of the Rugby World Cup with four mouth-watering quarter-finals. All four matches will be shown in the clubhouse so we hope you stick around for Wales v Argentina later in the afternoon, Ireland v New Zealand tonight, and return tomorrow to see how the English fair against Fiji and if the tournament hosts France can dispel the current holders South Africa. For those joining us tomorrow; we're looking forward to Ryan's Sunday Roasts which he'll be serving between 3pm and 5pm.

Have a great weekend of rugby!

Oggy x



# CLUB NEWS

## OUR UNDER 13S ARE TAKING OVER

To raise money for their 2024 tour, the U13s have taken over the club this weekend! From 11.30am this morning, on the patio outside the clubhouse, teammates began a virtual 218-mile cycle to Twickenham. (Big thank you to 1Vigor for the loan of their bikes!) This 2-day sponsored cycling challenge will see the players come together and collectively pedal the equivalent distance from our HQ to England's HQ. At 3pm the players will come out of the saddle and form a guard of honour Brods and Rochdale take to the pitch.



## WORLD CUP CARVERY

We're showing all the RWC Quarterfinals in the clubhouse this weekend. Tomorrow, we'll also be serving Sunday Roasts (Pork or Beef) from 3pm until 5pm so that's your tea sorted if you're joining us for England v Fiji (4pm) or South Africa v France (8pm).

## BRODS BIG BONFIRE

Tickets are now on sale (over the bar) for our annual bonfire and fireworks night which takes place on Friday 3rd November. They are priced at £6 for adults, £3 for U18s and free for U4s. Please note that all U18s must be accompanied by an adult. The event is expected to sell out so please buy your tickets as soon as you can.

## MEMBERSHIP

To be a part of the club please use the QR code and head to the Membership area.



## CLUB SHOP

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# LAST MATCH

**DRONFIELD 20 - 6 BRODS**

**SATURDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

"Disappointing loss. We move on, learn from it and go again!"

*Lee Imiolek*



## TODAY'S OPPOSITION: ROCHDALE

"We are looking forward to welcoming Rochdale to Woodhead Park for the first time in a while. They have started really well and are sure to be a tough test, as we look to bounce back from our defeat last time out against Dronfield. The lads are up for it and we are looking to transfer a great weeks training onto the pitch."

*Neil Sheard*

## FORM GUIDE

Goole 13- 31 Rochdale

(30th Sept)

Rochdale 59- 24 Old Crossleyans

(23rd Sept)

Morley 18- 11 Rochdale

(16th Sept)

Rochdale 36- 15 Moortown

(9th Sept)

Malton and Norton 18- 15 Rochdale

(2nd Sept)





## 80 SECOND INTERVIEW WITH... JOSH KELLY

This week's Q&A is with our 29 year old Police Officer and Fly Half Josh Kelly.

**How long have you played at the Brods?**  
First season.

**Previous club(s)?** Old Rishworthians.

**How's the season going so far?** Pre season was good, started the season off well. Just need to kick on now and bring it all together. It's an exciting squad.

**Expectations for this season?** I think we need to be looking at top 4 if we can get the same squad out every week No losses at home would be a good realistic target.

**Best/favourite ground you've ever played at?** Twickenham Stoop.

**When you were a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up?**  
Professional Rugby Player.

**Toughest team you played against last season?** Goole.

**What do you do before a match? Any matchday rituals?**  
Pre game morning bath (if the work shifts allow)

**Since you started playing, which coach do you think has helped you the most?**  
Got to give a lot of credit to my Dad, coached me a lot as a junior. Chris Stone & Tom Andrews were great at Rishworthians a few years ago, really helped my game. It's also great playing for Shed, Lee & Chrissy.

**Which actor would you choose to play you in a film about you?** Claire Balding.

## NAME THE BROD...

**Who is good on a night out?** I'm yet to find out but Craven has had a couple of belting photos in the group chat.

**Who is the fittest in the team?** Jimmy, makes the bronco test look easy, rumours he'd done a 7k run prior too.

**Who has zero dress sense?** Some of the younger lads will have questionable clobber, any of them with a man bag for me.

**Who likes the sound of their own voice?** Probably myself, I don't shut up at training.

**Who probably has the worst diet?** Sorry Cam.

**Who you'd least like to room with on tour?** Anyone who isn't clean or tidy.



## NAME YOUR FAVOURITE...

**Chocolate bar?** Wispa Gold.

**Local restaurant?** Da Sandro's at Ainley Top is a winner.

**Takeaway?** Pizza.

**Holiday destination?** European city break.

## YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS...

**Last good film you watched?** Oppenheimer.

**Last good book you read?** Not a big reader, ZOO magazine count?

**Last good podcast you listened to?** Joe Rogan.

## DEATH ROW MEAL...

**It's your last ever 3-courser and you can have anything. What would you choose?**

**Starter:** Chicken Wings.

**Main:** Steak medium rare with chips and peppercorn sauce.

**Dessert:** Brownie & Ice Cream.

**And to wash it down with:** Coke Zero & IPA.

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**Treasurer:** James Hodgkinson

**Junior Section Chair:** Michael Coates

**Safeguarding Officer:** Kate Akerman

**Head of Rugby:** Clive Harris

**Head of Ladies Rugby:** Nick Akerman

**Head of Girls Rugby:** Frances Dowson

**Membership Secretary:** Mark Turner

**Fixture Secretary:** David Maxwell

**Junior Section Treasurer:** Josephine Coates

**Junior Section Coaching Coordinator:** Matt Whiteley

**Committee Members:** Ian Greenwood, Stephen Rooks

**Club Directors:** Gareth Taylor, Martin Smith

## SUPPORT STAFF

**General Manager:** James Ogden

**Head of Catering:** Ryan Loach

**Bar Manager:** Harriet O'Dowd

**Premises/Grounds:** Nik Kalanovic,  
David Stoyles

## FIXTURES/EVENTS

DATE	MATCH	MATCHDAY SPONSOR	PRE-MATCH
02/09/23	Glossop 13 - 39 Old Brods		
09/09/23	Old Brods 44 - 10 Old Crocs	1Vigor Gym	
16/09/23	Bridlington 22 - 27 Old Brods		
23/09/23	Old Brods 31 - 28 Goole	Eastwood Insurance	Lunch With A Crunch
30/09/23	Dronfield 20 - 6 Brods		
14/10/23	Old Brods V Rochdale	Heatworks	Lunch With A Crunch
21/10/23	Malton & Norton V Old Brods		
04/11/23	Old Brods V Scarborough	<i>Sponsorship Available</i>	
11/11/23	Moortown V Old Brods		
18/11/23	Old Brods V Selby	SprayPlant UK	Lunch With A Crunch
02/12/23	Morley V Old Brods		
09/12/23	Old Crossleyans V Old Brods		
16/12/23	Old Brods V Bridlington	<i>Sponsorship Available</i>	Ladies day
06/01/24	Goole V Old Brods		
13/01/24	Old Brods V Dronfield	Konsileo Insurance	Players Reunion Luncheon
27/01/24	Rochdale V Old Brods		
03/02/24	Old Brods V Malton & Norton	<i>Sponsorship Available</i>	
17/02/24	Scarborough V Old Brods		
02/03/24	Old Brods V Moortown	Total Biomass Solutions	Lunch With A Crunch
16/03/24	Selby V Old Brods		
23/03/24	Old Brods V Morley	Little & Georgiou	
06/04/24	Old Brods V Glossop	<i>Sponsorship Available</i>	Lunch With A Crunch

To book yourself on to one for the pre-match luncheon please email [james@oldbrods.co.uk](mailto:james@oldbrods.co.uk)

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 15th October ENGLAND V FIJI (4PM), FRANCE V SOUTH AFRICA (8PM)

Saturday 28th October RUGBY WORLD CUP FINAL

Friday 3rd November BRODS BIG BONFIRE

Thursday 16th November OVERGATE FASHION SHOW

Saturday 18th November NEXT LUNCH WITH A CRUNCH

Sunday 19th November CHRISTMAS FAYRE (12 til 5)

# TEAM SHEET

## BRODS

1. Jack Smart
2. Elliot Craven (c)\*
3. Pete Ashton \*
4. Alex Murphy
5. Jamel Goodall
6. Jamie Scott \*
7. Alex Rackstraw \*
8. Rob Jennings \*
9. James Hodgkinson \*
10. Joshua Kelly
11. Jacob Grierson \*
12. David Spivey \*
13. Chris Georgiou \*
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## ROCHDALE

1. Harry Hill
2. Jonny Bradley
3. Ethan Poole
4. Chris Hodgkinson
5. Eddie Shanks
6. Jake Castree
7. Ben Sunderland
8. Olly Mills
9. Danny Joesbury
10. Steve Collins
11. Dom Serridge
12. Ross Hartley
13. Matty Johnson
14. Cliff Howard
15. Josh Schofield (c)
  
16. Harry Hayes
17. Mitchell Holt
18. Declan O'Loughlin

\*Player progressed through Brods junior section

**Today's Referee:** Andy Baker

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**NEXT MATCH:**

**SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER**

**MALTON & NORTON V BRODS**

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