# OLD NORTHAMPTONIANS RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB FOUNDED 1923



NORTHAMPTON & DISTRICT RUGBY ALLIANCE SENIOR CUP & LEWIS SHIELD CHAMPIONS 2021-22

Saturday 17th September 2022 3.00 p.m. kick off REGIONAL 2 EAST MIDLANDS LEAGUE

Old Northamptonians R.F.C. vs Old Laurentians R.F.C.

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#### Welcome to O.N.R.F.C. from Dave Howland, Club Chairman

We mourn the Queen but also give thanks for a life well lived in long service to her country. Enjoy the afternoon in the September sunlight, I feel this is what she would have wanted for her subjects.



I extend a warm ONs welcome to all this afternoon, as we continue the tradition of a weekend festival of rugby in September, albeit the proposed activities have been reined-back as a mark of respect following the Queen's passing. At the time of writing we have a Friday night floodlit 4<sup>th</sup> team game, a 1pm a 3<sup>rd</sup> team curtain raiser on Saturday vs Sharnbrook, a 1<sup>st</sup> team league game against Old Laurentians at 3pm with the Academy following with a 4th fixture of the day (2nds tbc). Sunday will see a plethora of Age Grade rugby in the morning & in the afternoon the Ladies section kick off with their first game of the season.

Today's 1st team league game against Old Laurentians should provide an interesting contest. It's been a few years since the last competitive game between the sides & therefore OLs provide an unknown quantity to the ONs. It is hoped that the mistakes against our near neighbours last Friday night down the hill will be suitably rectified & we can get back to winning ways. Friday's result did however demonstrate that this will be a competitive league throughout, with no easy fixtures. This will test both the coaching team & the strength in depth of the playing squad if the ONs want to aspire to a high league position. I hope it will.

With the club putting 4 - 5 senior each weekend there is lots of rugby activity about at ONs (in contrast to many other Junior clubs). Unfortunately, though today's match referees are yet to be confirmed as the East Midlands Referees Society only have 26 referees available to cover 47 matches, a desperate situation, as we know without volunteer match officials there will be no games – can YOU help? We are also expecting to see some of our sponsors today to witness how their generous funding is used to provide sport for so many, my personal thanks go out to all who support us at Billing Road.

Cheers Dave ONRFC Chairman

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James Greensmith \* 11 Toby Rigg

Jake Johnson \* 10 Rob Bean

Lewis Barker \* 9 Nick Potinger

Ted Bunn 8 Glen Todd

Lochie Brown \* 7 Jay Smith

Matt Parry \* 6 James Orbison

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Jordan Brew \* 2 Don Hammond (Captain)

Dan Hughes \* 1 Andy Collins

#### Replacements:

Toby Wallace \* 16 TBC

Sam Howes \* 17 TBC

Rory Seymour \* 18 TBC

Head of Playing: Richard Blank \* Director of Rugby: Mat Davies

Head Coach: Phil Powell \* Head Coach: Greg Loydall

Assistant Coach: Alex Regan \*
Defence Coach: Heath Stevans \*

Team Manager: Richard Bosworth

Match Physio: Georgia Reed

Match Physio: Mark Todd

\* Indicates ONs M&J/Academy Graduate

Today's Match Referee: To be confirmed by East Midlands Referees Society

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### **REGIONAL 2 EAST MIDLANDS 2022 / 23 SEASON**

#### Results Friday 9th / Saturday 10th September 2022

Leighton Buzzard	3 - 22	Kettering
Lutterworth	47 - 0	Peterborough Lions
Market Harborough	16 - 25	Peterborough
Newbold on Avon	28 - 17	Olney
Northampton Old Scouts	21 - 13	Old Northamptonians
Old Laurentians	15 - 21	Towcestrians

### League Table after Saturday 10th September 2022

	Team	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	+/-	TB	LB	Pts
1	Lutterworth	2	2	0	0	70	14	56	1	0	9
2	Northampton Old Scouts	2	2	0	0	50	25	25	1	0	9
3	Towcestrians	2	2	0	0	49	28	21	1	0	9
4	Newbold on Avon	2	1	0	1	54	60	-6	2	0	6
5	Old Northamptonians	2	1	0	1	56	47	9	1	0	5
6	Kettering	2	1	0	1	35	31	4	1	0	5
7	Peterborough	2	1	0	1	39	39	0	1	0	5
8	Market Harborough	2	1	0	1	32	40	-8	0	0	4
9	Olney	2	0	0	2	32	44	-12	0	1	1
10	Old Laurentians	2	0	0	2	27	50	-23	0	1	1
11	Leighton Buzzard	1	0	0	1	3	22	-19	0	0	0
12	Peterborough Lions	1	0	0	1	0	47	-47	0	0	0

Obviously early days of the new season & a much changed league! Already we have just 3 clubs unbeaten after 2 rounds & none of these gaining the maximum 10 points. Also only 4 clubs, including today's visitors, without wins with both Peterborough Lions & Leighton Buzzard losing their first matches having had their first meeting postponed due to an unplayable surface.

Some intriguing fixtures this week: the top 2 having tough away ties, while both bottom 2 clubs have testing matches. Come October we may be starting to see some patterns in a tough league which has no obvious favourites for either promotion or relegation.

#### Fixtures Saturday 20th September 2022

Kettering	V	Lutterworth
Old Northamptonians	V	Old Laurentians
Olney	V	Northampton Old Scouts
Peterborough	V	Newbold on Avon
Peterborough Lions	V	Market Harborough
Towcestrians	V	Leighton Buzzard



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## O.N.R.F.C 1st XV Fixtures 2022/23

### Saturday Kick offs: 3.00 pm Sept/Oct/Mar/Apr, 2.15 pm Nov/Dec/Jan/Feb

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Date	1st XV League & Cup Fixtures	Venue			F	Α	
Sep-03	Newbold on Avon	Н	W		43	26	
Fri Sep-9	Northampton Old Scouts (19:30 Kick Off)	Α		L	13	21	
Sep-17	Old Laurentians	Н					
Sep-24	Towcestrians	Н					
Oct-01	Olney	Α					
Oct-08	Buckingham (Lewis Shield 1st Round tbc)	Α	I	ree Le	ague We	eek	
Oct-15	Peterborough	Н					
Oct-22	Peterborough Lions	Α					
Oct-29	Kettering	Н					
By Oct-31	Northampton B.B.O.B.	Α	(All	iance C	Cup 1st R	ound)	
Nov-5	Leighton Buzzard	Α					
Nov-12	Lutterworth	Α					
Nov-19			ı	ree Le	ague We	eek	
Nov-26	Market Harborough	Α					
Dec-03	Northampton Old Scouts	Н					
Dec-10	Old Laurentians	Α					
Dec-17	Towcestrians	Α					
	XMAS BREAK		I	ree Le	ague We	eek	
Mon Dec-26	Northampton & District Alliance XV	Н	Centenary Celebrations				
NEW YEAR BREAK			Free League Week			eek	
Jan-07	Olney	Н					
Jan-14	Peterborough	Α					
Jan-21	Peterborough Lions	Н					
Jan-28	Kettering	Α					
Feb-04			Free League Week		eek		
Feb-11	Leighton Buzzard	Н					
Feb-18	Lutterworth	Α					
Feb-25			Free League We		eek		
Mar-04	Market Harborough	Н					
Mar-11	Newbold on Avon	Α					
	From March-26 to April-29 National Cup I	Fixtures TE	BC by	the RF	U		
Apr-08	EASTER	Α	Fre	ee Leag	Jue/Cup \	Week	

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