



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



Saturday 24th September 2022 3.00 p.m. kick off

REGIONAL 2 EAST MIDLANDS LEAGUE

**Old Northamptonians R.F.C.
vs Towcestrians R.F.C.**

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

Derby day! Yes, I know the ONs had a game the other week with our friends down the hill (how we lost that one has left me in the dark...!!??). However, over recent seasons, today's fixture has, for me, been the one that holds the highest of local bragging rights.

So a warm welcome to the players & officials of Towcestrians & especially to their President Bob Price, possibly one of the nicest blokes in local rugby. Unfortunately, I unable to be at the game today as I will be away on my holidays but I expect a spectacle of open running rugby played with a bit of an edge. Both sides appear to be finding their feet so far this season, I suspect the result will go the way of which team wants it more. A shame I will miss it.

At the time of writing we play Towcestrians throughout the club. The ONs 2s have been continuing their excellent results from last season with a recent 41:5 victory over The Ath being the most recent example. There appears to be a strength in depth developing which can only be of benefit for our long-term development. Congratulations to the management team for their efforts as we continue to put out 4 senior men's sides each week although not necessarily always on a Saturday: this Tuesday evening the 4th team had a run-out against The Outlaws under lights at The School. It was a hard fought & high scoring game with the home side just edging the win 48:34.

The referee for today's 1st team is Mark Hyde for I believe his first league game at ONs, though he did officiate our successful Lewis Shield Final back in May with aplomb, as always please give him & his decisions your full respect.

The ONs club house seems to be buzzing at the moment, especially after the game, so make the most of it, enjoy your afternoon & look out for sales of Centenary Raffle tickets. The prizes look pretty good, even I bought some!

Cheers Dave ONRFC Chairman

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Old Northamptonians R.F.C.

Towcestrians R.F.C.

| | | |
|------------------------|----|------------------------|
| Joe Heslop (Captain) * | 15 | Sam Pamment |
| Lawrence Gilkes * | 14 | Louis Bounds |
| Ben Rivans * | 13 | George James |
| Mikey Bellamy | 12 | Ronnie Speakman |
| James Greensmith * | 11 | Cameron Young |
| Jake Johnson * | 10 | Rhys Williams |
| Lewis Barker * | 9 | Ben Barwell |
| Ted Bunn | 8 | Craig Holton (Captain) |
| Lochie Brown * | 7 | Jake Fellows |
| Matt Parry * | 6 | Callum Jones |
| James Crowson | 5 | James Garratt |
| Guy Holt | 4 | Ali Haynes |
| James de la Cruz | 3 | Andrew Smith |
| Jordan Brew * | 2 | Harry Knibbs |
| Dan Hughes * | 1 | Luke Wilmott |

Replacements:

| | | |
|----------------|----|----------------|
| Toby Wallace * | 16 | Joel Sandham |
| Luke Bond * | 17 | Ryan Blackwell |
| Joel Grayson * | 18 | Alex Parker |

Head of Playing: Richard Blank *

Head Coach: Phil Powell *

Assistant Coach: Alex Regan *

Defence Coach: Heath Stevans *

Team Manager: Richard Bosworth

Match Physio: Georgia Reed

Director of Rugby: Robbie George

Head Coach: Mark Kefford

Assistant Coach: Steve Yuill

Team Manager: Paul Smith

Sports Therapist: Orlagh Fagan

** Indicates ONs M&J/Academy Graduate*

Today's Match Referee: Mark Hyde East Midlands Referees Society

O.N.R.F.C.
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REGIONAL 2 EAST MIDLANDS 2022 / 23 SEASON

Results Saturday 17th September 2022

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Kettering | 24 - 15 | Lutterworth |
| Old Northamptonians | 46 - 19 | Old Laurentians |
| Olney | 42 - 29 | Northampton Old Scouts |
| Peterborough | 53 - 28 | Newbold on Avon |
| Peterborough Lions | Away walkover | Market Harborough |
| Towcestrians | 22 - 7 | Leighton Buzzard |

League Table after Saturday 17th September 2022

| | Team | P | W | D | L | F | A | +/- | TB | LB | Pts |
|----|----------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|
| 1 | Towcestrians | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 71 | 35 | 36 | 2 | 0 | 14 |
| 2 | Old Northamptonians | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 102 | 66 | 36 | 2 | 0 | 10 |
| 3 | Peterborough | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 92 | 67 | 25 | 2 | 0 | 10 |
| 4 | Northampton Old Scouts | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 79 | 67 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 10 |
| 5 | Lutterworth | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 85 | 38 | 47 | 1 | 0 | 9 |
| 6 | Kettering | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 59 | 46 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 9 |
| 7 | Market Harborough | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 32 | 40 | -8 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 8 | Newbold on Avon | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 82 | 113 | -31 | 3 | 0 | 7 |
| 9 | Olney | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 74 | 73 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| 10 | Old Laurentians | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 46 | 96 | -50 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 11 | Leighton Buzzard | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 44 | -34 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 12 | Peterborough Lions | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 47 | -47 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Mouth-watering top of the table clash today between local rivals Towcestrians, the only unbeaten side in the league, & 2nd placed ONs, the leading points scorers. Very much early days of the new season & as Olney demonstrated last week by gaining their first win over previously unbeaten Scouts, anybody can beat anybody in this league so there are no clear favourites for promotion.

The 4th – 8th placed clubs play each other today so that will shake up the middle order, while at the bottom end OLs & Buzzard look like they might be struggling & who knows what will happen with Peterborough Lions if & when they play once the Foreign Legion turns up!

Fixtures Saturday 24th September 2022

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

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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

| Date | 1st XV League & Cup Fixtures | Venue | Result | | Score | |
|---|---|-------|--------------------------------------|---|-------|----|
| | | | | | F | A |
| Sep-03 | Newbold on Avon | H | W | | 43 | 26 |
| Fri Sep-9 | Northampton Old Scouts (19:30 Kick Off) | A | | L | 13 | 21 |
| Sep-17 | Old Laurentians | H | W | | 46 | 19 |
| Sep-24 | Towcestrians | H | | | | |
| Oct-01 | Olney | A | | | | |
| Oct-08 | Buckingham (Lewis Shield 1 st Round tbc) | A | Free League Week | | | |
| Oct-15 | Peterborough | H | | | | |
| Oct-22 | Peterborough Lions | A | | | | |
| Oct-29 | Kettering | H | | | | |
| By Oct-31 | Northampton B.B.O.B. | A | (Alliance Cup 1 st Round) | | | |
| Nov-5 | Leighton Buzzard | A | | | | |
| Nov-12 | Lutterworth | A | | | | |
| Nov-19 | | | Free League Week | | | |
| Nov-26 | Market Harborough | A | | | | |
| Dec-03 | Northampton Old Scouts | H | | | | |
| Dec-10 | Old Laurentians | A | | | | |
| Dec-17 | Towcestrians | A | | | | |
| XMAS BREAK | | | Free League Week | | | |
| Mon Dec-26 | Northampton & District Alliance XV | H | Centenary Celebrations | | | |
| NEW YEAR BREAK | | | Free League Week | | | |
| Jan-07 | Olney | H | | | | |
| Jan-14 | Peterborough | A | | | | |
| Jan-21 | Peterborough Lions | H | | | | |
| Jan-28 | Kettering | A | | | | |
| Feb-04 | | | Free League Week | | | |
| Feb-11 | Leighton Buzzard | H | | | | |
| Feb-18 | Lutterworth | A | | | | |
| Feb-25 | | | Free League Week | | | |
| Mar-04 | Market Harborough | H | | | | |
| Mar-11 | Newbold on Avon | A | | | | |
| From March-26 to April-29 National Cup Fixtures TBC by the RFU | | | | | | |
| Apr-08 | EASTER | A | Free League/Cup Week | | | |

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