

Saturday April 5th 2003

League North 2 West

Broughton Park v Vale of Lune

Ronan O'Brien	15	James Bryan
Graham Booker	14	Neil Latham
Alan Hodgkinson	13	Ian Bird (Capt)
Gareth Gerrard	12	Rob Myler
Andy Donnelly	11	Dan Griffiths
Pete Oakes	10	James Moore
Richard McCabe	9	Steve Swarbrick
Andy O'Grady	1	Wayne Lord
Chris Armstrong	2	Kit Rickerby
Mark Flynn	3	Phil Jackson
Mark Poole	4	Lee Farnworth
John Knight	5	John Bowskill
David Brookes	6	Grant Little
David Rodgers	7	Simon Baines
John Clifford	8	Malcolm Fowler

Replacements

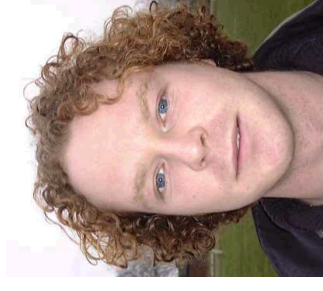
Danny McCallum	16	Alex Morrison
Geoff Kendall	17	John Bleasdale
Steve Kiely	18	James Hoyle

Referee:- Nigel Fallon (Manchester Society)

We hope that the referee has a good game and joins us afterwards together with Vale of Lune players and supporters for hospitality and discussion of the finer points of Rugby.

Sponsored this week is:- Chris Armstrong.

A former Colt Chris made the move from hardworking hooker a few seasons back. Since then the deceptively strong Chris has proved a big success for Park. His smooth good looks, cheeky smile and extraordinary hair style are sure to be to the fore today. Have a good game Chris.



Recent Games

After the comfortable win over Wilmslow in our last home game two narrow away defeats followed, first, 14pts to 21. at Altrincham Kersal in a game dominated by Park's forwards and second, 30pts to 31. away at Blackburn where again we should have won. This week we play the strong and already promoted vale of Lune. Park must get back to earlier form if we are properly to congratulate Vale on the pitch.

Park 2nd XV suffering from ever changing personnel continue to play brightly but without success. Last week finally losing to a Northwich XV 38-21 pts. However morale is good and there are moves afoot to strengthen the 2XV.

Our 3rd XV or development side is a mix of very old and very young players with K O`B being an able general. Some of the stronger younger players are about ready to move up the teams. Last week everyone played well to beat the Blackburn 2XV (who are top of the 3XV League?) 26-23 pts. The victory celebrations were muted somewhat by **Mike Sever** breaking his ankle whilst winning the vital ball for the last try. Our commiserations go to him.

The 4th XV did not play but rumour has it that they have recently been reinforced by some of Park's mini coaches including former 1st. XV wing **John Rashid**. Keep up the good work lads.

Ramblings.

Although Park are in a precarious position regarding relegation the intention is to win our last three games starting today. Hopefully some

of our missing players will be available for what is sure to be a tough match against a Vale team who have proved themselves number one in our league. Meanwhile Capt. John O' Grady our new 1st. team manager has now completed the Prague Tour plan and all members concerned should be in possession of the Itinerary. As John states the game plan is simple; get to Prague, play good rugby, have a good time and return home together. Sounds great!

Sad Note

Recently Colin Abbott a popular Club member who was on the Duty Officer Rota and was a former flanker at BPFC died after battling bravely against cancer. His many friends from the Club were at St. Hilda's Church, Northenden to respect his life. Everyone's thoughts are with Colin's relatives especially his wife Angela.

Auction in aid of the Prague Tour

6th of April (Tomorrow) Free butties at 12-30pm followed by the auction at 1-00pm.

Lots are still needed, so root out your unused items from your cellar and attic and get them down here before the off. Lots (pardon the pun) of folk are needed to bid and buy the articles. Get yourself down. It is for a good cause.

Unsung Hero

Brin Morgan has been down at Park since his student days in the early sixties when he was vying for a place as hooker. He has had various jobs in that time and is now general dogsbody and Chairman of Selectors.

In his dogsbody role he collects some match fees so that the kits he takes to the local launderette get washed can be paid for.

Although his wife Elizabeth disapproves, he regularly runs touch but he is looking for a younger man to take over. John O'Grady had done it in recent weeks so he may? have succeeded but not by much.

League North 2 West Table (* = points deducted)

	March 29th					Home games					Away games					Diff Pts
	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A	L	D	F	
1	Vale of Lune	20	10	1	0	348	95	8	1	0	250	108	395	36		
2	Rochdale	19	7	2	0	226	138	7	2	1	189	132	145	29		
3	Stockport	20	6	3	1	259	145	6	3	1	181	144	151	26		
4	Altrincham K	20	6	3	1	248	128	5	5	0	187	140	167	23		
5	Winnington Pk	20	6	5	0	207	200	5	4	0	182	182	7	22		
6	Lymm	21	6	3	2	191	179	4	6	0	172	223	-39	22		
7	Blackburn	21	7	4	0	338	173	2	6	2	155	211	109	20		
8	Wigton	19	7	2	0	176	129	2	8	0	136	233	-50	18		
9	Broughton Pk	19	5	3	1	195	206	1	9	0	173	247	-85	13		
10	Aspull	18	4	3	0	97	100	2	8	1	141	259	-121	13		
11	Aldwinians	19	3	7	0	127	238	2	7	0	122	311	-300	10		
12	Wilmslow	20	2	8	0	140	263	0	10	0	106	362	-379	4		

Previous League Games

7 Sep	Broughton Pk	8 v 36	Altrincham K	Vale of Lune	11 v 6	Stockport
14 Sep	Wilmslow	31 v 18	Broughton Pk	Aldwinians	0 v 25	Vale of Lune
28 Sep	Broughton Pk	26 v 19	Aspull	Vale of Lune	32 v 10	Blackburn
5 Oct	Rochdale	33 v 18	Broughton Pk	Wilmslow	6 v 46	Vale of Lune
12 Oct	Broughton Pk	29 v 22	Wigton	Vale of Lune	9 v 10	Rochdale
26 Oct	Vale of Lune	25 v 22	Broughton Pk	Vale of Lune	25 v 22	Broughton Pk
2 Nov	Broughton Pk	10 v 10	Stockport	Lymm	19 v 13	Vale of Lune
16 Nov	Lymm	22 v 17	Broughton Pk	Vale of Lune	44 v 17	Winnington Pk
23 Nov	Broughton Pk	37 v 22	Aldwinians	Altrincham K	12 v 13	Vale of Lune
30 Nov	Winnington Pk	13 v 7	Broughton Pk	Vale of Lune	28 v 0	Aspull
7 Dec	Broughton Pk	10 v 27	Blackburn	Wigton	3 v 29	Vale of Lune
14 Dec	Aldwinians	23 v 14	Broughton Pk	Vale of Lune	21 v 12	Altrincham K
21 Dec	Broughton Pk	15 v 34	Lymm	Winnington Pk	21 v 36	Vale of Lune
4 Jan	Stockport	41 v 11	Broughton Pk	Vale of Lune	49 v 5	Lymm
18 Jan	Wigton	7 v 22	Broughton Pk	Rochdale	10 v 25	Vale of Lune
1 Feb	Broughton Pk	19 v 14	Rochdale	Vale of Lune	59 v 7	Wilmslow
8 Feb	Aspull		Broughton Pk	Blackburn	22 v 31	Vale of Lune
1 Mar	Broughton Pk	41 v 22	Wilmslow	Vale of Lune	44 v 0	Aldwinians
15 Mar	Altrincham K	21 v 14	Broughton Pk	Stockport	15 v 32	Vale of Lune
29 Mar	Blackburn	31 v 30	Broughton Pk	Vale of Lune	26 v 6	Wigton

Today's Games

Aspull	v	Wigton	Rochdale	v	Aldwinians
Broughton Park	v	Vale of Lune	Wilmslow	v	Stockport

