

# Saturday September 6th 2003

## League North 2 West

### Broughton Park v Lymm

Ronan	O'Brien	15	Martin	Bower
Martin	Kelly	14	Eoin	O'Toole
Alan	Hodgkinson	13	John	Millachip
Gareth	Gerrard	12	Mark	Berry
Graham	Booker	11	Ben	Murphy
Pete	Oakes	10	Paul	Thatcher
Richard	McCabe	9	Chris	Kinsey
Andy	O'Grady	1	Jim	Fergusson
Danny	Lycett	2	Paul	Maguire
Mark	Flynn	3	Keith	Broadbent
Mark	Poole	4	Rob	Calderbank
Martin	Spenser	5	Adam	Lester
Simon	Evans	6	Andy	Williamson
Danny	McCallum	7	Chris	Berry
John	Knight	8	Mark	Sutton

#### Replacements

Geoff	Kendell	16	Luke	Worsley
Steven	Kielly	17	Simon	Wright
Ben	Collinson	18	Lewis	Hollington

Referee:- **Graham Bancroft** (*Manchester Society*)

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

*All our teams are now in leagues, you can get all the latest results and league tables by going to:-*

<http://www.broughton-park.org.uk/league/>

### Player Spotlight

#### Danny Lycett

New Hooker Danny claims to have been at school with centre Alan Hodgkinson and forward Jon Knight but they claim never to have seen him before. Danny, a tall and powerful Hooker from North Wales has fitted in well at 'Park promising to be a larger than life character if his Mellish performance is followed up. His skill at leading the centre stage the Disco ravings at 'Jumping Jack's' was only equalled by his performance as a hair stylist - see his old school mate Alan for proof. 6 foot two, eyes of blue, Danny Lycett's after you - what an opening gambit eh girls. Have a good game today Danny.

#### Recent Games

After a promising display at Mellish (won 17 points to 12), it was back down to earth with a bump. We crashed out of the Lancashire Trophy (and Lancashire Cup at the same time) 25 points to 36 against an enterprising Blackburn who took their chances better than 'Park.

This was a match we lost as our opponents took advantage of our errors and a lapse by the otherwise competent referee. After giving away our customary two tries, our strong pack worked hard to put us back in the driving seat to be 20 points to 12 up at half-time. This would have been 27 points but for our prop dropping the ball in the act of scoring after immense pressure by 'Park.

The second half saw Blackburn turn defence into attack to score off our breakdowns to nudge ahead 31 points to 25 but only after an outrageous knock-on of at least 3 metres followed by an equally outrageous forward pass had been missed by the referee (the only person in the ground to have missed the infringements). With 'Park trying hard to bridge the gap more errors led to Blackburn's score at the final whistle which made it 25 points to 36 to them.

Try scorers for 'Park were:- Andy O'Grady, Mark Poole, and Richard McCabe. Pete Oakes reliably slotted two conversions and two penalties.

**Meanwhile a club XV** led by the evergreen **Kevin O'Brien** our development player XV coach travelled to Old Friends Holmes Chapel. A mix of young, old and Canadian guests, friends of former player Mark Robinson warmed up for Mark's stag night by losing the first half 24 points to 0. The second half saw K O'B's style pay off as they ran the legs off 'Chapel' to finish strong winners 40 points to 24.

Try scorers were:- Dave Sutcliffe, Terry Zindi, Del Trotter, G. Pettigrew, (2), E. Gardiner. K O'B supplied the four conversions and E. Gardiner supplied another.

## Meanderings

Congratulations to our new Ground Committee and Ground Committee Chairman Dave Poppitt - they worked extremely hard last Saturday to perform the behind the scenes activity. What would they do for a 'Quad Bike' and a trailer to carry all the equipment in one go, instead of piecemeal as they had to do last week. Luckily there were other folk around to give a hand, but will they be there when it is mid season when it is cold and raining?

Even more congratulations to Barry E Allen (BEA blush!) who almost single handedly prepared our pitches for the new season. Barry still found time to promote sponsorship of Chairman Christine Barber who is running the Great North Run on the 21st of September and is raising sponsorship cash for Macmillan Cancer Relief and BPFIC.

More and more con con congratulations go to Bill Seddon who took a break from his business and guiding the development of the new facilities, to really single handedly put the posts into the sockets for the pitches. Well not quite single handedly, he did have the help of a JCB and driver. Nevertheless I was impressed! (BEA)

Today we play recent bogey team Lymm and will have to be at our best to beat them. No doubt last week's faults will be attended to and a confident approach should see us win.

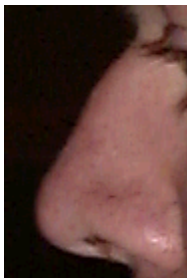
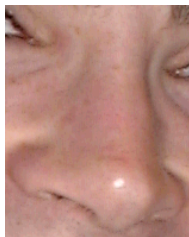
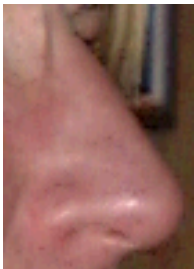
This week sees the start of the new North West Intermediate Leagues. Our 2nd, 3rd and 4th teams are entered, so this week's fixtures take on a new meaning as all teams take part in the new leagues. It could be that a more competitive structure will put our players in a more ambitious state of mind?

## Smiley Eyes

No one came to me with the names of the obviously not very interesting Smiley Eyes competition, but here are the answers anyway. Mark Flynn, Christine Barber, Spud & Jimmy Wilde, Andy Donnelly and Dave Rodgers (Senior).

## Hooters Anonymous

An even more boring competition. See if you can spot who the anonymous hooters below belong to. Answers to Barry Allen for a stunning prize!



## Final League Table for North 2 West for the Season 2002/ 2003

August 30th		Home games					Away games					Diff	Pts
Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A		
1 Vale of Lune	22	10	1	0	348	95	8	3	0	286	175	364	36
2 Rochdale	22	8	3	0	257	194	7	3	1	192	154	101	31
3 Stockport	22	7	3	1	302	162	7	3	1	202	159	183	30
4 Altrincham K	22	7	3	1	278	140	6	5	0	239	148	229	27
5 Winnington Pk	22	6	5	0	207	200	6	5	0	237	202	42	24
6 Blackburn	22	7	4	0	338	173	3	6	2	178	218	125	22
7 Lymm	22	6	3	2	191	179	4	7	0	184	248	-52	22
8 Wigton	22	8	3	0	201	184	2	9	0	153	254	-84	20
9 Aspull	21	7	3	0	160	153	2	8	1	141	259	-111	19
10 Broughton Pk	22	7	3	1	255	238	1	10	0	192	267	-58	17
11 Aldwinians	21	3	8	0	134	261	2	8	0	136	337	-328	10
12 Wilmslow	22	2	9	0	155	284	0	11	0	123	405	-411	4

## Today's Games

September 6th

Rochdale

v

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Stockport

Altrincham K.

v

Penrith

Oldham

v

Blackburn

Winnington P.

v

Caldy

Broughton Pk.

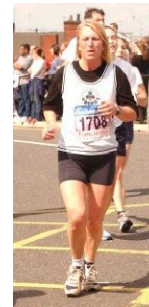
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Lymm

Wigton

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Aspull



## Macmillan Cancer Relief & BPFIC

Two good causes! Christine Barber (Pictured right, suffering in the Manchester 10K) is going to suffer in the Great North Run on Sept the 21st.

You could relieve the pain by sponsoring her efforts for the two good causes mentioned above. Don't mither Christine (unless you want to sponsor her for a lot of money) but see Barry Allen who may well see you first!