

Saturday January 24th 2004

North 2 West

Broughton Park v Winnington P.

Chris	Barber	15	Simon	Jennions
Joe	Wykes	14	Sam	Barton
Tom	Kenny	13	Steve	Jones
Greg	Spenser	12	Mark	Patterson
Martin	Kelly	11	Jonny	Evans
Pete	Oakes	10	Ben	Barton
Richard	McCabe	9	Phil	Sharples
Andy	O'Grady	1	Chris	Lakey
Danny	Lycett	2	Mathew	Dodd
Geoff	Kendell	3	Mark	Taylor
Mark	Poole	4	Richard	Jennings
Steve	McGuire	5	Ian	Moriarty
Tom	Prentice	6	Carl	Patterson
John	Knight	7	Anthony	Moores
Ian	Maclure	8	Jim	Davies
Replacements from:			Replacements	
Mark	Flynn	16	Tom	Ryder
Simon	Evans	17	Mark	Warr
Graham	Booker	18	Conrad	Blenkinsop
Danny	Sorby			

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

All our teams are now in the "Fairclough Homes NWRU Intermediate leagues", you can get all the latest results and league tables by going to:- <http://www.nowirul.org.uk/>

Player Spotlight

Name: Thomas Mark Prentice (PMT to his friends)

Age: 23

Occupation: Temp at Credit Card Company (Interesting)?

Position: Back row

Previous clubs: Chippenham, Wellington College, Sheffield University

Honours: Dorset & Wilts U16's

Most Memorable game: 7 a' side at Brecon (the sheep were very pretty)

Biggest disappointment: Not making Dorset & Wilts U17's

Biggest influence: The Daily Telegraph (deep)

Most difficult opponent: Mark Poole? No James Forrester (name dropping)!

Favourite ground: Marlborough College (The boys are nicer at Tonbridge)!

Favourite country visited: Zimbabwe

Famous Quote: "Get your Kit off your going over the top! (On coach back from Wigton)!"

Most treasured possession: My shoes (Come on Tom)!

Ambitions: Get a Commission in the Army (I can hear the comments in the changing Room now)!

Person I'd most like to meet: Richard Hill or the other back row at Park!

Recent Games

It has been a difficult 2003 and the home defeat to Oldham 9-23 did little to lift our spirits. A good start to 2004 was vital and we almost pulled it off with an 11-11 draw away to Rochdale. At Wigton we had our chances but again the gremlins were at work and we lost 10-21, still I hear the return trip on the coach had its moments! Our exit from the Intermediate Cup to Altrincham Kersal, 6-39 was disappointing, but let's look on the bright side, we can now concentrate on our league position. If we can win 6 of our remaining games we should be safe. We can do it, get behind Park, good luck today lads!



The 2nd XV continue their Jekyll and Hyde existence, winning at home and losing away! An away defeat to Oldham 5-21 was a disappointing end to the first half of the season. It was particularly hard to swallow as the game was stopped after 55 minutes! We played well to beat Rochdale 29-5 and a pool game against Heaton Moor 2nd xv resulted in an 88-8 win! Our best overall performance of the season a close encounter at Vale of Lune but our classy backs were starved of the ball in the second half and we lost 10-26!

Park 3rd XV have continued their good form and wins against Sale 27-7, Holmes Chapel 52-15 and Altrincham Kersal 12-10 were only a rehearsal for what has possibly been their best performance of the season, a 19-12 win over a strong, Glossop 2nd XV! Unfortunately the wheels came off the wagon at Vale of Lune and the lads were well beaten 7-51.

The 'H' train, better known as the 4th XV trundle on devouring everything in their tracks! In the last four weeks wins against Leigh 13-7, Ormskirk 58-5 and a 10-10 draw at Wilmslow were totally eclipsed by a fantastic 26-12 win against Hoylake 2's. I ear (no pun intended) Jim Rochford had a smile from ear to ear (there I go again)! Keep up the good work lads!

Reminiscences (AKA The Old Days)

Having been asked by Brin Morgan to do the programme notes whilst he is sunning himself in Spain, I at least get to choose the format.

Let me take you back to 15th January 1972 and a game against Saracens at Southgate in North London. In the programme we were shown on the team page as Old Merchant Taylors! The team was, R Washbourne, P Lavin, D Colford, C Simkins, K Ainsworth A Shallcross, J Partington, I Galbraith, T Pendlebury, B Jackson (D), M Leadbetter (I), A Otto, R Jazwinski, R Steele and G Hutchinson. One notable absentee was Tony Neary as he was to win his 7th cap for England against Wales later that afternoon at Twickenham.

The programme notes state, 'As Broughton Park, our welcome visitors this morning, only arrived from Manchester at Euston at 10.18, the kick-off has been delayed to 11.p.m. We are sorry the Park players will have to rush to get on to the field, and thank them for agreeing to play in the morning so that the afternoon is clear for watching England v Wales at Twickenham'. Anyone know what time they left Manchester, what time they got up, did they have a warm-up, what was the score?

Answers on a postcard please!

Mark Lloyd and John O'Grady, could you handle this sort of organised chaos?

Answer, Yes every week!

North 2 West League Table

Team	January 17th					Home games					Away games					Diff Pts
	P	W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	
1 Altrincham K.	14	7	1	0	289	83	4	2	0	136	87	255	22			
2 Caldý	14	5	2	0	246	68	5	2	0	120	95	203	20			
3 Blackburn	14	6	0	0	154	66	4	4	0	148	217	19	20			
4 Oldham	14	5	2	0	168	106	3	3	1	154	139	77	17			
5 Winnington P.	14	5	3	0	155	141	2	4	0	103	76	41	14			
6 Stockport	14	4	2	0	98	87	3	5	0	139	162	-12	14			
7 Penrith	14	4	3	0	130	112	2	4	1	73	144	-53	13			
8 Wigton	14	4	3	1	134	116	2	4	0	82	207	-107	13			
9 Lymm	14	3	3	0	132	144	3	5	0	81	134	-65	12			
10 Aspull	14	3	3	1	113	131	2	5	0	71	198	-145	11			
11 Rochdale	14	1	5	1	106	127	2	5	0	102	175	-94	7			
12 Broughton Pk.	14	1	6	0	119	147	1	5	1	119	210	-119	5			

Previous Games

19.01.2004	Rochd/Stock	Altri	Black	Winni	Lymm	Wigto	Aspul	Brong	Caldy	Oldha	Penri
Rochdale	16-17		17-39		10-13		29-5	11-11	15-27		8-15
Stockport		16-8		19-14	23-3	22-39			11-6	7-17	
Altrincham K.	54-0	40-10	27-3		34-11	36-6	46-18			14-32	38-3
Blackburn		19-17	30-15	12-6		41-0		20-18			32-10
Winnington P.	16-13	16-11	11-17		15-5			44-19	19-22	34-20	
Lymm			10-36	44-27		13-6			17-29	38-33	10-13
Wigton	15-11	10-18	19-22	15-9			10-24	21-10		22-22	22-0
Aspull	19-24	16-31		0-27	18-11			39-20	6-3		15-15
Broughton Pk.	15-17	29-25	20-21		9-14	17-23			20-24	9-23	
Caldy	34-16		11-22	51-7	7-13	96-0	32-3			15-7	
Oldham	22-21		15-21	23-13		23-8	13-16	53-10			19-17
Penrith	16-10		33-12	7-34	18-11		27-5	22-31	7-9		

Today's Games

Rochdale	v	Wigton	Blackburn	v	Caldy
Lymm	v	Aspull	Oldham	v	Altrincham K.
Broughton Pk.	v	Winnington P.	Stockport	v	Penrith