

# Saturday September 25th 2004

## South Lancs & Cheshire 1

### Broughton Park v Northwich

Ronan	O'Brien	15	Huw	Jones
Ben	O'Brien	14	Adam	Bown
Adam	Brown	13	Ian	Bartlett
Alan	Hodkinson	12	Chris	Dale
Graham	Booker	11	Mike	Lowe
Steve	Conner	10	Chaz	Wood
Richard	Gould	9	Stuart	Mills
Andy	O'Grady (Capt)	1	Jan	Cartman
Danny	Lycett	2	Danny	Davy
Geoff	Kendell	3	John	Brotherton
Mark	Poole	4	Chris	Heywood
John	Knight	5	Jon	Simpson
Ian	Maclure	6	Rob	Heath
John	Clifford	7	Dean	Thompson
Simon	Evans	8	Graham	Robinson

#### **Replacements**

Mark	Flynn	16	Rob	Amson
Ben	Collinson	17	Nick	Blake
Steve	Newton	18	Dain	Walker

**Referee:- David Lodge (Manchester Society)**

*We hope that the referee has a good game and joins us afterwards together with the Northwich 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/>*

## **Welcome to the New Broughton Park**

### **Recent Games**

Since the entertaining drawn game 22-22 against a lively Hoylake, **Park 1st.XV** have played two games both away. In the League game at Leigh our weakened team (hope you enjoyed Newcastle lads?) did their best but injuries on the day plus good rugby by an excellent Leigh XV saw the flood gates open to a 66-7 pts. defeat. With some returning players a still not full strength side were away to Warrington last week in the Intermediate Cup. Warrington has not been our favourite port of call over the years but this time our 1st.XV performed well to seal a well deserved win 8-6 pts. Mark Poole scored our try after pressure from wing Dave Sutcliffe and 5-0pts. was all we had despite enough possession to win three matches. Two penalties by Warrington put them in the lead with 10 minutes to go. More pressure from the pack set up Steve O'Connor for a match winning drop goal. It still needed a last minute try saving tackle from "man of the match" Ronan O'Brien to give us the win. Well done lads.

**Our 2nd.XV** has suffered from the upheavals in the 1st.XV particularly from front row requirements. Two games have been played and both lost 27-0 pts. away to Didsbury Toc H and last week a 12-13 pts. loss to Leigh at home. The spirit is good and returning players will surely result in winning rugby. Keep up the effort lads.

The normally free scoring **3rd.XV** has suffered most from player changes and after a promising win 64-3 pts. against Ashton in a "friendly" there has been two big losses 46-0 against a strengthened Manchester Wanderers XV and last week a 46-7 loss at the hands of Widnes 2nd. XV. A lot of work to do but no doubt K O'B and Topy will turn it around.

**BPFC Old Boys as Park's 4th.XV** are named for expediency are again proving our most successful team in terms of wins. Not having to change players at the last minute has its rewards! Having defeated a strong Leigh XV 33-0 pts. the 4th. XV followed this up with a 47-5 pts. win against Trafford MV. Former 1st. XV fly half Andy Rimmer gives the credit to everyone in a hard working squad. Well done lads, keep it going.

### Ramblings

Today we welcome another new club to the New Broughton Park. Northwich, the Cheshire All Blacks, will prove a tough nut to crack. They have beaten Hoylake 13-12 pts. already which shows the tight competition at this level. Interestingly they have three former BPFC players on their books. Rob Heath a tough lock or No. 8, Andy Bell a flanker and Robin Scurfield a scrum half. Hopefully we will demonstrate the error of their ways to them today. Off the pitch we look forward to some friendly banter with their officials and supporters.

After the euphoria of the ground opening week it has been very much "sixes and sevens" here at Park. It is obvious that more help is needed all round but especially on match days. The ground committee is under strength and any volunteers will be warmly welcomed. When opponents turn up at least an hour before Kick-off for the obligatory "warm up" it does help to have a duty officer present so this is another important position that needs filling-so please enquire about joining our small team of volunteers. We want Broughton Park to work. There is a feeling of expectancy amongst club members. Some players have shown what good Club members they are in recent weeks often having to sit on benches or travel away at short notice. Lets have the same spirit amongst everyone and back up hard working coaches Mark Lloyd and Kevin O'Brien as well as rugby manager John O'Grady. Come on Park !!

### South Lancs & Cheshire League Table

September 18th	Home games						Away games					Diff	Pts
	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F		
1 Leigh	2	2	0	0	123	36	0	0	0	0	0	87	4
2 Rochdale	2	1	0	0	30	15	1	0	0	29	10	34	4
3 Vagabonds (IOM)	2	1	0	0	31	7	1	0	0	13	10	27	4
4 Wilmslow	2	1	0	0	13	5	1	0	0	18	8	18	4
<b>5 Northwich</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>2</b>
6 Sandbach	2	1	1	0	20	27	0	0	0	0	0	-7	2
7 Wigan	2	1	0	0	13	6	0	1	0	15	30	-8	2
8 Hoylake	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	34	35	-1	1
<b>9 Broughton Pk</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>-59</b>	<b>1</b>
10 Southport	2	0	1	0	10	13	0	1	0	6	13	-10	0
11 Warrington	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	16	43	-27	0
12 Wirral	2	0	1	0	10	29	0	1	0	29	57	-47	0

### Results and Fixtures

22.09.2004	Broug	Hoyla	Leigh	North	Rochd	Sandb	South	Vagab	Warri	Wigan	Wilms	Wirra
<b>Broughton Pk</b>		<b>22-22</b>	<b>Mar12</b>	<b>Sep25</b>	<b>Feb19</b>	<b>Oct9</b>	<b>Jan29</b>	<b>Oct30</b>	<b>Jan8</b>	<b>Nov20</b>	<b>Apr23</b>	<b>Dec11</b>
Hoylake	<b>Apr2</b>		Oct30	<b>Mar12</b>	Jan8	Sep25	Nov20	Feb19	Apr23	Oct9	Dec11	Jan29
Leigh	<b>66-7</b>	Jan22		<b>Nov13</b>	Feb26	Dec18	Oct2	Dec4	Feb5	Apr9	Oct23	57-29
<i>Northwich</i>	<i>Feb26</i>	<i>13-12</i>	<i>Jan8</i>		<i>Nov20</i>	<i>Feb19</i>	<i>Apr23</i>	<i>Oct9</i>	<i>Dec11</i>	<i>Jan29</i>	<i>Apr2</i>	<i>Oct30</i>
Rochdale	<b>Oct2</b>	Nov13	Sep25	<b>Dec18</b>		Dec4	Feb5	Apr9	Oct23	30-15	Jan22	Mar12
Sandbach	<b>Feb5</b>	Feb26	Nov20	<b>Oct2</b>	Apr23		Dec11	Jan29	12-9	Oct30	8-18	Jan8
Southport	<b>Oct23</b>	Dec18	Feb19	<b>Dec4</b>	Oct9	Apr9		10-13	Jan22	Mar12	Nov13	Sep25
Vagabonds	<b>Jan22</b>	Oct2	Apr23	<b>Feb5</b>	Dec11	Oct23	Apr2		31-7	Jan8	Feb26	Nov20
Warrington	<b>Nov13</b>	Dec4	Oct9	<b>Apr9</b>	Jan29	Apr2	Oct30	Mar12		Sep25	Dec18	Feb19
Wigan	<b>Dec18</b>	Feb5	Dec11	<b>Oct23</b>	Apr2	Jan22	13-6	Nov13	Feb26		Oct2	Apr23
Wilmslow	<b>Dec4</b>	Apr9	Jan29	<b>13-5</b>	Oct30	Mar12	Jan8	Sep25	Nov20	Feb19		Oct9
Wirral	<b>Apr9</b>	Oct23	Apr2	<b>Jan22</b>	10-29	Nov13	Feb26	Dec18	Oct2	Dec4	Feb5	

### Today's Games

Broughton Pk	v	Northwich	Southport	v	Wirral
Rochdale	v	Leigh	Wilmslow	v	Vagabonds
Hoylake	v	Sandbach	Warrington	v	Wigan