

Saturday January 8th 2005

South Lancashire & Cheshire 1

Broughton Park v Warrington

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| Andy | O'Grady(C) | 1 | Lea | Graham |
| Danny | Lycett | 2 | Paul | Thompson |
| Geoff | Kendel | 3 | Stewart | Coleman |
| John | Knight | 4 | Richard | Turner |
| Mark | Poole | 5 | Alwyn | Hughes |
| Tom | Sneezby | 6 | Andy | Kellett |
| Dave | Rodgers | 7 | Gareth | Wheatley |
| John | Clifford | 8 | Neil | Sullivan |
| Shaun | Stirrup | 9 | Gideon | Hamblett |
| Steve | O'Conner | 10 | Andy | James |
| Ben | O'Brien | 11 | Neil | Jackson |
| Steve | Newton | 12 | Dave | Hartill |
| Adam | Brown | 13 | Ste | West |
| Joe | Wykes | 14 | Kevin | Jones |
| Ronan | O'Brien | 15 | Mark | Tickle |

Replacements

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| Mark | Flynn | 16 |
| Pete | Oakes | 17 |
| Ian | Maclure | 18 |

Replacements

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| Paul | Grant |
| John | Callender |
| John | Morris |

Referee:- Andy Dawson (Manchester)

We hope that the referee has a good game and joins us afterwards together with the Warrington 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 our hard earned victory over Wirral 23pts to 12 no 1st XV games have taken place. However two games that took place were won by a lot to a few. First the 3rd XV taking advantage of players returning from injury were able to field a full XV against Eagle 1st XV and won 53pts to 5. Good work throughout by the forwards saw quick ball for the backs who got on the scoreboard at every opportunity. Well done lads. Next the K. O'Brien invitation Irish boys against a Holmes Chapel XV. This was a mixed side of club players 1st XV to 4th XV plus some veterans. A good quality game won 60-29 pts. set the scene for a good evening in our new clubhouse. Good atmosphere lads! Thanks must go to the faithful who worked hard to put on these games. At a time when many games were stopped by the weather our new pitch held up well and after some water scooping the games went ahead. Kevin O'Brien worked hard to ensure these games were played and Christine Barber used her spare time (??) to make sure everyone was fed and fuelled up. Well done you two and well done everyone else who helped on the ground.

Ramblings

We welcome the players, officials and supporters of Warrington to the New Broughton Park today. Warrington always make for an interesting game. In previous seasons they've given as good as they've taken defeating us on a number of occasions. We've beaten them twice on their own ground this season - a never in doubt 8pts to 6 in the cup and a

more comfortable 34-14 pts. in the league. However in their last game they defeated leaders Wilmslow which is more than we did, we think we softened up Wilmslow though. We will have to be at our best today to get the New Year off to a good start with a win. All the best lads.

Player Profile

Whilst we have been working through player profiles the focus this season has been on team effort and cohesion and their record shows that so far their efforts have been rewarded as we are in a position to challenge the league leaders this year. In the past we have always developed our own players and with some talented youngsters in the “pipeline” this will be our aim again. Meanwhile it is good to see the interesting mix of experienced and younger players gel into a team.

Former Colts Andy O’Grady and John Clifford who have both performed well for Lancashire are good minders for younger former Colts Ben O’Brien and Shaun Stirrup who have just come into our side. Shaun who has come into the side following the injury to Richard Gould has done well under the watchful eyes of “Lloyd”, Macca and KO’B. Ben meanwhile is an ever present and has made the wing spot his own. It is certain that these players will be part of a big team effort to defeat Warrington today.

Good luck lads!

South Lancs & Cheshire 1 League Table

| January 1st | Home games | | | | | | Away games | | | | | Diff | Pts | - pts |
|-----------------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-------|
| Team | P | W | L | D | F | A | W | L | D | F | A | | | |
| 1 Wilmslow | 12 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 127 | 60 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 116 | 72 | 111 | 20 | |
| 2 Leigh | 12 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 322 | 88 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 131 | 65 | 300 | 19 | |
| 3 Rochdale | 12 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 206 | 75 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 130 | 57 | 204 | 19 | |
| 4 Broughton Pk | 11 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 207 | 58 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 88 | 129 | 108 | 17 | |
| 5 Wirral | 12 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 119 | 55 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 117 | 138 | 43 | 13 | |
| 6 Vagabonds | 12 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 96 | 77 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 96 | 116 | -1 | 13 | |
| 7 Hoylake | 12 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 121 | 40 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 95 | 133 | 43 | 12 | |
| 8 Northwich | 12 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 56 | 124 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 43 | 230 | -255 | 8 | |
| 9 Sandbach | 12 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 124 | 82 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 38 | 121 | -41 | 7 | |
| 10 Warrington | 12 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 113 | 93 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 76 | 189 | -93 | 6 | |
| 11 Wigan | 11 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 52 | 101 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 37 | 194 | -206 | 6 | |
| 12 Southport | 12 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 73 | 154 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 40 | 172 | -213 | 2 | |

Results and Fixtures

| 01.01.2005 | Broug | Hoyla | Leigh | North | Rochd | Sandb | South | Vagab | Warri | Wigan | Wilms | Wirra |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Broughton Pk | | 22-22 | Mar12 | 30-5 | Feb19 | 31-7 | Jan29 | 26-12 | Jan8 | 75-0 | Apr23 | 23-12 |
| Hoylake | Apr2 | | 21-20 | Mar12 | Jan8 | 5-5 | 40-5 | Feb19 | Apr23 | 42-0 | 13-10 | Jan29 |
| Leigh | 66-7 | Jan22 | | 60-0 | Feb26 | 36-3 | 52-18 | 31-7 | Feb5 | Apr9 | 20-24 | 57-29 |
| Northwich | Feb26 | 13-9 | Jan8 | | 0-38 | Feb19 | Apr23 | 0-33 | 36-8 | Jan29 | Apr2 | 7-36 |
| Rochdale | 13-18 | 29-0 | 17-17 | 60-0 | | 18-6 | Feb5 | Apr9 | 39-19 | 30-15 | Jan22 | Mar12 |
| Sandbach | Feb5 | Feb26 | 9-32 | 49-0 | Apr23 | | 31-6 | Jan29 | 12-9 | 15-22 | 8-13 | Jan8 |
| Southport | 22-23 | 12-33 | Feb19 | 13-22 | 5-22 | Apr9 | | 10-13 | Jan22 | Mar12 | 0-31 | 11-10 |
| Vagabonds | Jan22 | 15-10 | Apr23 | Feb5 | 14-31 | 16-9 | Apr2 | | 31-7 | Jan8 | Feb26 | 20-20 |
| Warrington | 14-34 | 26-14 | 18-29 | Apr9 | Jan29 | Apr2 | 36-5 | Mar12 | | Feb26 | 19-11 | Feb19 |
| Wigan | Off | Feb5 | 0-33 | 5-11 | Apr2 | Jan22 | 13-6 | 8-15 | 14-9 | | 12-27 | Apr23 |
| Wilmslow | 14-6 | Apr9 | Jan29 | 13-5 | 28-10 | Mar12 | Jan8 | 17-8 | 35-21 | Feb19 | | 20-10 |
| Wirral | Apr9 | 16-7 | Apr2 | Jan22 | 10-29 | 15-8 | Feb26 | 24-8 | 22-3 | 32-0 | Feb5 | |

Today's Games

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