

*Jake Dodd v Old Halesonians December 2019*



## WELCOME TO OLD HALESONIANS RFC

We welcome the players, committee and supporters of Old Halesonians RFC to Glasshouse Lane and look forward to a keenly contested match.

We last played Old Halesonians at home in December 2019 where we won 48-23 thanks to a hat-trick from Ollie Burman, 2 tries from Gareth Renowden and singles from Garrett Bell and Sam Harrison. Unfortunately the return fixture fell victim to the lockdown later that season. They are led by former Birmingham Moseley Director of Rugby Richard Protherough and their squad includes a number of players with National League experience.

They come to us on the back of three consecutive league wins, narrow victories over Wolverhampton and Droitwich were followed by a good win against Hereford which leaves them 5th in the league table, so we know we have a challenge ahead of us. It is likely that we will be wearing our new grey change kit given that Old Halesonians play in very similar colours to our main kit.

### **Malvern (Won 59-14)**

The return of a number of players helped the side dominate a competitive Malvern side led by their ex-Premiership fly half Rob Cook.

Despite conceding a couple of sloppy tries the squad secured the bonus point relatively quickly and scored some terrific tries, alongside the now regular catch and drive scores from the pack. The back row of Ryan, Thompson

and Andresen (on his return from international duty with Denmark) proved far to difficult for Malvern to deal with and their strong ball carrying led to a number of tries.

We still probably left 20 points on the field and hopefully one week we will really let loose against a team and run up a big score. That said we are the highest scorers in the league with 383 points, 34 ahead of leaders Lichfield.



### **Newbold (Won 38-15)**

We travelled the relatively short distance to Newbold to face a side we took on earlier in the season in the Warwickshire Cup. We therefore knew how strong their scrum would be and overall, the Kens 8 held their own and started to dominate in the 2nd half as the big home forwards started to tire.

Newbold started well and scored a couple of tries in the opening 20 minutes, however Kenilworth held most of

their attacks at bay and then started to cut loose in the 2nd half when they had the advantage of the strong wind. The return of Tyler Price at fly half proved vital considering the conditions and winger David Okopu-Fordjour caused havoc in the home defence as he gains confidence each week

**Midlands 1 West 2021/22**

After the nailbiting victory away at Ludlow the team got back to their try scoring bonus point ways with good wins over Malvern and Newbold.

The Malvern match was played in front of a large crowd that included members of the Lords and Commons Rugby Club along with our sponsors Frederick Cooper and their guests. The atmosphere in the clubhouse was superb and we're sure our Westminster guests had a pretty entertaining afternoon judging by the swaying and singing as they walked across the pitch back to their bus!

Results in the league have tended to go with form over the past few weeks and we remain 3rd in the table, just 2 points behind Stoke on Trent and 5 points behind Lichfield so the leading positions remain extremely competitive.

Wolverhampton are propping up the table without a win yet and Worcester continue to struggle despite their narrow victory over Sutton Coldfield a few weeks ago.

**Sponsor Focus**

Kenilworth RFC is indebted to our ever-growing family of commercial supporters. From multi-nationals to local independent favourites, rugby clubs such as ours offer a wholesome platform from which to promote products and services and to elevate your brand profile.



Jayde Cruickshank v Newbold

*'We aim to make it as easy as possible for both members and non-members alike to support the club commercially. We do this by understanding individual motivation and delivering as promised.'*

Jai Purewal, KRFC Director of Rugby

Local financial planning practice **Beauchamp Wealth**, an Appointed Representative of St. James's Place Wealth Management, has agreed to be a shirt sponsor for Kenilworth Rugby Club this season.

The sponsorship comes about from the long-term relationship between Beauchamp Wealth directors Jason Marvelly and Alex Pearce and the club, which currently has had a positive start to the new Midlands 1 West season.

Beauchamp Wealth director Jason Marvelly said that he was delighted to support the club, which has had a connection with his family for many years.

*"I first started playing for the club when I was five years*

*old and continued through all of the minis and junior age groups, colts and eventually the first team. My brother did the same and my father, Roger, coached the minis, juniors and the colts and was chairman for a few years in the 1990's. It is these family values and trusted long-term relationships that very much reflect our own ethos and the service we offer to our clients.*

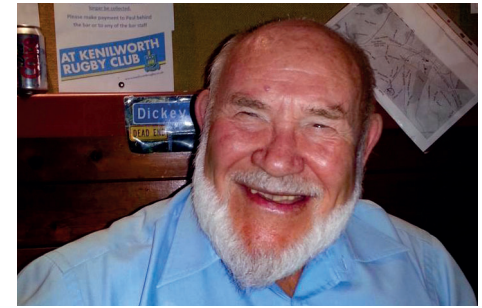
*"It's been fantastic to be able to watch the first team games at Glasshouse Lane this season and to see so many spectators enjoying live rugby after being unable to do so due to the pandemic.*

*"The success of the first team is important, but it is every individual at the club, from a seven-year-old mini to a fifty-year-old Pirate, the volunteers and members, that really makes the club what it is. It is the way the club puts every single one of its members and their individual circumstances and aspirations at the heart of everything it does that we admire most."*

Kenilworth Rugby Club, Director of Rugby added,

*"Kenilworth Rugby Club is about more than the game, it's a family where everyone plays their part, be it on the pitch, volunteering, sponsoring or supporting from the sidelines. On behalf of the club, I would like to thank Jason and Alex for their ongoing support and am delighted to see an extension of the Marvelly's long association with the club."*

For more information on how you can support Kenilworth RFC commercially, please contact Jai Purewal on [dor@kenilworthrugby.co.uk](mailto:dor@kenilworthrugby.co.uk) or 07968 135023.



**Brian Le Voi**

It is with huge sadness that we learn of the recent passing of former club President and 1XV Captain Brian Le Voi. Brian was one of our oldest members & was a permanent fixture in the clubhouse with his wonderful smile and was always ready to chat about his beloved club. He always had time for his friends and fellow KRFC members and his terrific sense of humour was cherished by everybody. Brian was a dearly loved member of the club and will be missed terribly. Our thoughts and love are with Brian's family and we will update members with further details in due course. RIP Brian

**Player Sponsors:**

You will see in the centre of this insert a list of our Player Sponsors. There are a few players looking for sponsorship and if you are interested in taking one on, then please contact Director of Rugby Jai Purewal on [jaipurewal@hotmail.com](mailto:jaipurewal@hotmail.com)

**ANNUAL PIRATES LUNCH**

The Pirates lunch is scheduled for Saturday 4th December ahead of the local derby match against Stratford which should add a little more noise to what will no doubt be a lively affair!

There will be live music after the match in honour of former KRFC stalwart Nick Moore and we hope that some of Nick's family will be able to attend as guests of the club. Spaces are still available and Pirates and their guests should e mail [domcarrick@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:domcarrick@yahoo.co.uk) to make sure they are booked in.

**THIS WEEK'S OTHER FIXTURES**

Droitwich	v	Stratford Upon Avon
Lichfield	v	Newbold on Avon
Ludlow	v	Malvern
Wolverhampton	v	Sutton Coldfield
Worcester	v	Whitchurch
Hereford	v	Stoke on Trent



Team	MIDLANDS 1 West						
	P	W	D	L	PF	PA	Pts
Lichfield	9	9	0	0	349	152	45
Stoke on Trent	9	9	0	0	304	121	42
Kenilworth	9	8	0	1	383	133	40
Stratford Upon Avon	9	7	0	2	251	133	32
Old Halesonians	9	5	1	3	206	208	26
Ludlow	9	5	0	4	286	124	25
Newbold on Avon	9	4	2	3	180	190	22
Whitchurch	9	3	1	5	199	197	21
Hereford	9	3	1	5	140	253	16
Malvern	9	2	1	6	173	248	13
Droitwich	9	1	1	7	129	389	11
Sutton Coldfield	9	1	0	8	184	357	11
Worcester	9	2	0	7	123	319	6
Wolverhampton	9	0	1	8	93	176	6

## Men's Teams for 20th November 2021

### Kenilworth

Grey Shirts, Blue Shorts, Blue Socks

1.....	George Walsh
2.....	Ollie Stone
3.....	Jake Dodd
4.....	Lewis Kavanagh
5.....	Jonny Openshaw
6.....	Michael Ryan
7.....	Mikkel Andresen
8.....	Bobby Thompson (C)
9.....	Sam Peppitt
10.....	Ben Leahy
11.....	David Opoku-Fordjour
12.....	Nathan Tilsley
13.....	Todd Freemantle
14.....	Ed Hannam (VC)
15.....	Ben Harrison
Replacements:	
16.....	David Bromfield
17.....	Chaz Hudson
18.....	Rhys Jones

### Old Halesonians

Yellow & Blue Hooped Shirts, Blue Shorts


1.....	Matt Young
2.....	Sam Jones
3.....	Tim Daly
4.....	Dan Smith
5.....	Jack Koshbayan
6.....	Adam Clayton
7.....	Loz Breeze
8.....	Kieran Haynes
9.....	Jamie Keen
10.....	Steve Powell
11.....	Jake Reece Moore
12.....	Carl Robinson
13.....	Jake Piggot Dennison
14.....	Luke Penn
15.....	Tom Jarvis
Replacements:	
16.....	Dylan Fennel
17.....	Guy Field
18.....	Luke Fenton

Today's referee:

**Gareth Langley**

Cambridge University & District Rugby Referees Society

## Player Sponsors

Harry Abell	<i>Wright Hassall</i>	Jai Purewal	<i>Binary Blue</i>
Mikkel Andresen	<i>Fortress</i>	Jack Rawlins	<i>Hotel Sheraton</i>
Garrett Bell	<i>Get Ahead</i>	Gareth Renowden	<i>Akuma</i>
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Jake Dodd	<i>Bruce Doe</i>	Matt Tilt	Kenilworth Runners
Todd Freemantle	<i>KRFC U14</i>	Adam Turner	<i>Hanson Lee</i>
Edward Hannam	<i>Rapport Design</i>	George Walsh	<i>Ralph Murray</i>
Ben Harrison	<i>Environan</i>	Mark Wylie	<i>Akuma</i>
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Rhys Jones	<i>Simmons Group Ltd</i>		
Lewis Kavanagh	<i>Astrum</i>		
Ben Leahy	<i>Beauchamp Wealth</i>		
Ross Lothian	<i>Ra Builders</i>		
James Middleton	<i>Binary Blue</i>		
Charlie Morris	<i>Share</i>		
Tom Naismith	<i>JumpXL</i>		
Johnny Openshaw	<i>Kenilworth Pirates</i>		
David Opoku- Fordour	<i>Wareing And Co</i>		
Kieran Payne	<i>Lakeside</i>		
Sam Peppitt	<i>Projekt -M</i>		
Tyler Price	<i>Ace Tree Management</i>		



Garrett Bell v Malvern

### CHRISTMAS LUNCH

The annual Christmas lunch will be on Saturday 18th December and as ever, places will go quickly. Enjoy a 3-course festive lunch along with a fun auction and raffle

- this will also be followed by some live music and the players Christmas Social. Tickets can be booked on the club website:

<https://krfc.rfu.club/events/krfc-christmas-lunch/226356376>

or by e mailing [saralouiseboard@gmail.com](mailto:saralouiseboard@gmail.com)

If you are able to donate a prize to the raffle/auction please could you contact Club Chairman Johnny Marsh on [chairman@kenilworthrugby.co.uk](mailto:chairman@kenilworthrugby.co.uk)

### Warwickshire 1XV Cup final

Last Sunday saw the final of the Warwickshire 1XV Cup where we took on Nuneaton at Old Laurentian's Fenley Field ground. Thank you to the large travelling support which we know was appreciated by our 1XV squad.

Sadly we narrowly failed to overcome our higher league opponents and agonisingly lost by just a point 26-27, with

### WHAT'S ON AT KRFC

28th Nov	2XV Final v Sutton Coldfield (2.15 ko @ Broadstreet)
4th Dec	Pirates Lunch, Mens 1XV v Stratford
18th Dec	Christmas Lunch, Mens 1XV v Wolverhampton
26th Dec	Christmas Touch Rugby Tournament

All of the international fixtures this Autumn continue to be shown on our big screens. Bar snacks including rolls and hot snacks will be available so make sure you get down early to enjoy the matches.

### KENILWORTH RFC 1ST FIXTURES 2021/2022

Date	Opposition	For	Agst.	Pos.
<b>Pre-season friendlies</b>				
08 08 21	Didsbury Toc H (A)	33	5	
12 08 21	Bromsgrove (A)	33	31	
<b>Warwickshire Cup</b>				
17 08 21	Newbold	27	10	
<b>League</b>				
04 09 21	Whitchurch (H)	41	15	2nd
11 09 21	Wolverhampton (A)	27	5	1st
18 09 21	Droitwich (H)	59	17	1st
25 09 21	Hereford (A)	50	10	1st
02 10 21	Worcester (H)	67	8	1st
09 10 21	Lichfield (H)	24	36	2nd
23 10 21	Ludlow (A)	15	13	3rd
30 10 21	Malvern (H)	59	14	3rd
06 11 21	Newbold (A)	38	15	3rd
<b>Warwickshire Cup Final (@ Sutton Coldfield)</b>				
14 11 21	Nuneaton	26	27	
<b>League</b>				
20 11 21	Old Halesonians (H)			
27 11 21	Stoke on Trent (A)			
04 12 21	Stratford Upon Avon (H)			
11 12 21	Sutton Coldfield (A)			
18 12 21	Wolverhampton (H)			
08 01 22	Droitwich (A)			
15 01 22	Hereford (H)			
22 01 22	Worcester (A)			
29 01 22	Lichfield (A)			
12 02 22	Ludlow (H)			
19 02 22	Malvern (A)			
05 03 22	Newbold (H)			
12 03 22	Old Halesonians (A)			
26 03 22	Stoke on Trent (H)			
02 04 22	Stratford Upon Avon (A)			
09 04 22	Sutton Coldfield (H)			
23 04 22	Whitchurch (A)			

a last gasp kick at goal just falling short. All of our 4 tries came from the pack who yet again showed that the catch and drive is a serious weapon in our armoury. Ollie Stone crashed over for 2 tries, Jake Dodd scored one and the referee also awarded a penalty try with just over a minute to go. Former Kenilworth Centre Elliott Brown proved to be the main thorn in our side and he had a hand in most of Nuneaton's attacking play. Unfortunately, 3 yellow cards didn't help our cause although Nuneaton's flanker also picked up two yellow cards and hence received a red in the dying seconds.

### Warwickshire 2XV Cup

Our 2XV took on Broadstreet in the semi final of the County 2XV Cup on 7th November in front of a large Glasshouse Lane crowd. In a keenly contested match there wasn't much to separate the teams and Broadstreet led 10-5 at half time. Our side kept their discipline in the 2nd half and a wonderful team try from Ben Brown put the home team in front. Ben Leahy then kicked a couple of excellent penalties and we held on for a superb 21-15 victory. Tries came from Josh Marsden and Brown with Ben Leahy kicking a conversion and 3 penalties.

We now face Sutton Coldfield in the final on Sunday 28th November at Broadstreet RFC with a 2.15 kick off and we look forward to seeing lots of supporters there to cheer the lads on.

Last Saturday the 2XV continued their good form with a convincing 41-3 victory over Old Laurentians and stay at the top of the 2XV league. Tries came from Harry Rowley x 2, Rob Spooner, Dan Retter (plus a conversion), Hugh Whidbourne, Kieron Byrne (plus 2 x conversions) and Simon Rio.



Front Row v Newbold

Bobby Thompson v Nuneaton



### Senior Women

After suffering a 40-0 defeat away to a strong Loughborough Town Ladies team our Women's 1XV took on Barnsley Ladies at home last week. In an entertaining match they just fell sort of securing the win with Barnsley prevailing 26-22, however we did get 2 vital bonus points. The following day we were delighted to field a 2XV away at Towcestrians and they won 42-24.

### Remembrance Day 2021

Prior to the County 1XV Cup Final our men's 1XV squad attended Kenilworth's Remembrance Day service at the War Memorial. Former Serviceman Lt Colonel Paul Fountaine laid a wreath on behalf of the club and he was joined by members of his family (including his nephew Lt Jacob Fountaine) and the 1XV at The Almanack who are one of the club's loyal sponsors.

