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WELCOME TO OLD REIGATIAN



BEN HAMPS
CHAIRMAN ORRFC

A very warm welcome to ORRFC, to all our supporters, sponsors and our guests and opposition today, Thurrock RFC.

Unfortunately, last weekend only two fixtures were played in the Regional 2 South East league, one of which was our opposition today, whom at home won against Old Colfeian's 17-14. Our scheduled match against Medway was sadly postponed due to the cold weather we are currently experiencing in the UK, as the jet stream that governs so much of our weather sits to the south of us allowing cold arctic air to spread across the country. Fortunately, temperatures did not reach as low as -18C, which was recorded in the northern Scottish hamlet of Altnaharra! The forecast is for the temperatures to slowly creep up into higher single digits during the week, so I am hoping that as I write this, it will actually be read and that our game today has gone ahead. Fingers crossed!!

Therefore, the last time the 1st XV were in action was at the beginning of the month, against Sidcup. A close game, but one I think the majority would agree could have been won, should a few of the somewhat more interesting decisions, have gone our way. We still remain in 8th place in the league with a game in hand over most the teams below us in the table.

After a walkover over Old Haileyburians, the AXV currently sit in 2nd place in the Surrey Championship. Having played either one or two games more than other teams in the league it looks like it is going to be a fairly tight and exciting run in, as the top teams jostle for first place. Today they are away to Guildford who are 9th in the league.

The postponed 1st XV Medway match is now to be played on February 8th, the same day England host France in Round 2 of the Six Nations that starts on Friday 31st January. Please get the dates in your diaries for this great tournament and keep an eye out on our club socials for promotions, as we will be showing all 5 rounds and 15 matches at the club during the 6 week period.

On the subject of the 6N, we will once again be holding our annual dinner next weekend. I have no doubt it will be another fantastic evening as we welcome Chris Jones from the BBC and our special guest, former Scottish international rugby union player, John Barclay. This year the evening is in support of our club charities, Wooden Spoon, Marie Curie and also Lymphoma Action. I look to seeing many of you there on the night.

Wishing the best of luck to all our teams today. Come on the green and blue!

Ben Hamps
Chairman ORRFC

FIXTURES

2025

GMT

ROUND	FRANCE	WALLES	IRELAND	SCOTLAND	ENGLAND	ITALY
ROUND 1	FRA	WAL	IRE	SCO	ENG	ITA
	20:15		14:15	16:45		
ROUND 2	ITA	WAL	ENG	SCO	FRA	IRE
	14:15		16:45	15:00		
ROUND 3	WAL	IRE	ENG	ITA	SCO	FRA
	14:15		16:45	15:00		
ROUND 4	IRE	FRA	SCO	ENG	WAL	ITA
	14:15		16:45	15:00		
ROUND 5	ITA	IRE	WAL	FRA	ENG	SCO
	14:15		16:45	20:00		



ORRFC 1ST XV

15. TOM WOODFORD
14. HARRISON MITCHELL
13. TOM ALLEN
12. TOM BALDWIN
11. WILL PARKER
10. BEN HOLDER
9. ALEX SKINNER
1. PAUL MARSHALL
2. CIARAN NESTOR
3. REILLY FRANKLIN TALBOT ©
4. BEN BURRAGE
5. DAN GRANT
6. SAM FOREMAN
7. RYAN TAYLOR TRAVERS
8. JOEY GOLDSMITH
16. CIARAN LEE
17. ELLIOT ANDERSON
18. JONNY BRIDGES

DOR: RICHIE ANDREWS
ASSISTANT COACH: DOUG COOPER
ATTACK COACH: CAM ANDERSON
FORWARDS COACH: GEORGE HEAD
PHYSIO: IAN REPTON

COACHES CORNER



RICHIE ANDREWS
DIRECTOR OF RUGBY

Welcome to the players and supporters of Thurrock and especially the two Coaches Martin Jones & Dave Catchpole old teammates of mine from many years ago! Today we face the Team at the foot of the table and like any team in that position every game is a Cup Final as they try and close the gap to Gravesend. This was highlighted last weekend when they claimed their first win of the season against Old Colfs, who we had lost to only back in December. So, the expectation today is the need for us to be on the top of our game to claim the points.

Last time out, we played Sidcup and despite scoring the only try of the afternoon the Sidcup flyhalf didn't miss an opportunity to keep the scoreboard ticking over, so with 6 penalties kicked and three yellow cards we know that discipline is vital today.













Only a few changes from the team that pushed Sidcup so close with Paul Marshall shaking off his chest infection, Ben Burrage and Tom Woodford have returned from Skiing. But apart from that great to have a settled team. In the 2nd XV Toby Collister returns to action following an operation, so great to have him back in the mix. The 2nd XV front row also contains Ethan Monk , Val Garrec who have both played many 1st XV games this season and Club stalwart Mike (Seal) Layzell on the bench. So, I wish Guildford's 2nd XV front row the best of luck and I look forward to hearing from Brian how the scrums go!

Such a shame last week to lose the fixture to a frozen pitch but it did give the lads a chance to recover from any knocks that have been niggling over the last few weeks and Mrs A enjoyed having me about on a Saturday afternoon for a change!

I hope you enjoy the game.

Richie

2024/25 LEAGUE TABLE – REGIONAL 2 SOUTH EAST

#	TEAM	P	W	D	L	PF	PA	+/-	TB	LB	PTS
1	 Beckenham	15	12	0	3	476	287	189	15	2	60
2	 Salway	14	10	0	4	465	226	239	9	1	50
3	 Barnham Heath	13	8	1	4	352	264	88	8	2	40
4	 Widley	13	8	0	5	278	233	45	9	3	40
5	 Beach Woodbridge	14	8	0	6	401	330	71	8	4	40
6	 Salmon & Eggar	14	8	1	5	328	317	11	2	2	40
7	 Old Tiffenham	14	7	0	7	290	377	-87	8	4	40
8	 Old Rogation	14	4	0	10	347	413	-66	5	1	30
9	 Bechtelham	15	5	0	10	328	480	-152	6	2	30
10	 Old Collesham	15	4	0	11	307	479	-172	6	2	24
11	 Stanswood	14	3	0	11	329	409	-80	5	6	24
12	 Thornick	15	1	0	14	228	514	-286	4	2	18

LEAGUE FIXTURES – SATURDAY 18TH JANUARY

 Bechtelham		VS	
 Stanswood		VS	
 Old Collesham		VS	
 Old Rogation		VS	
 Salmon & Eggar		VS	
 Salway	15:00	VS	





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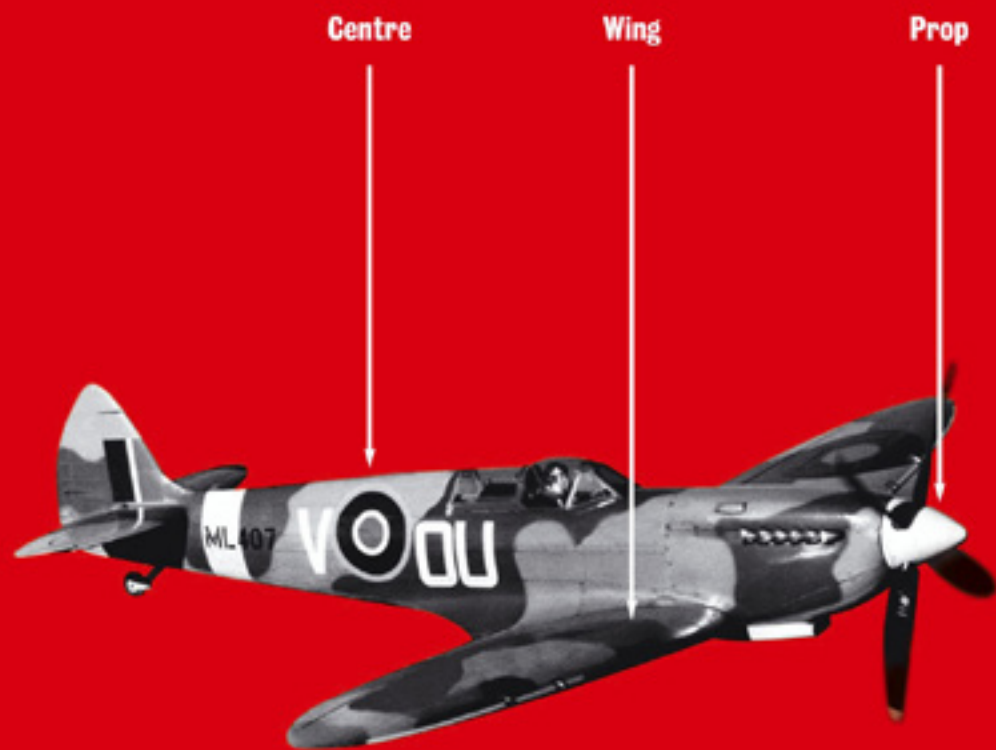
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