

Lancashire County Rugby Football Union



Lancashire U17s

v

Cumbria U17s



Wigan RUFC

Kick Off - 2:30pm

Sunday 26th May 2024



**Lancashire County RFU
2023-2024**

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2011, 2013, 2014, 2017,
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Welcome from the President of Lancashire County RFU

To each and every person
here today, welcome.

As the second female
President of Lancashire
Rugby, it is my great honour
and with pride I write this
and thank you for your
attendance.



A very special welcome to
the Players, Coaches, Parents and Supporters of
Cumbria who join us today.

Thanks to our management team of Guy Butterworth,
Chris Marsh, Simon Finnan, James Smith and Sarah
Louise Bailey for all their time and hard work.

On behalf of the County, I would like to thank
Wigan RUFC for hosting the match today. I realise
how much hard work and organisation goes into
hosting the fixture. And we appreciate the efforts of
staff and much valued volunteers.

I would also like to thank today's match officials who
will be essential in assuring that the match is played
in a fair manner to the enjoyment of all.

Please remember the core values of our game.
**TEAMWORK, RESPECT, ENJOYMENT, DISCIPLINE and
SPORTSMANSHIP.**

Carol Baker
Lancashire County RFU

Howard Hughes - Director of Rugby & Development



Welcome to Wigan for our last Age Grade Representative game of the season. For those who don't know me I'm the Lancashire County RFU Director of Rugby & Development. I've been involved in Age Grade rugby for many years which has seen myself progress from County Team Management at U18 and U20 Level to Divisional Level (North U18 & U20) National U18 Team Management with England Counties U18. Experiences which I cherish and will remain with me for life. Additionally, I also have some minor input with our Senior Men and Women's XV's who over

the years have become well known for their success on the County Championship stage. I was at Fylde RFC last week when Lancashire Men took on Somerset in the Bill Beaumont Cup and of the 22 players in our Squad 12 had played Age Grade Rugby for the County, some of them starting with the U17s.

As a county we put a great effort into our Representative sides and we fully support and help develop those players involved with our squads and nothing would delight us more if today's U17s went on to represent the county at U18, U20 or Senior Level. However, there is one thing that seems to want to block that aspiration..... the RFU.



Howard Hughes - Director of Rugby & Development

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Whilst those “in the know” argue about how many millions the top end of the game should get the funding given to county rugby keeps dwindling and will



eventually get to a point where there are no more “rabbits” that can be pulled from the hat. We are currently seeking Sponsors for our sides for next season U18 Girls, U17, U18, Senior Men & Women and if you can help or know someone who might be in a position to support us please get in touch. Our U20 Squad this season could not have happened without the support of our sponsor and we fell just one game short of a Twickenham Final.

County rugby doesn't just happen it's the result of many hours/days work sometimes months in advance to produce what you see on the field, it means a lot to many. Don't just take my word for it, have a look at this video that we produced a couple of years ago when the threat of county rugby being totally defunded by the RFU was circulating.

“It's Our Game”

Anyway, on to the game today here at Douglas Valley, hopefully the weather is kinder than when I'm writing this as I've just seen the Dog float past on the patio. Wigan as usual will no doubt look after us all and we hope everyone including our visitors from Cumbria enjoy the day.



Yours in Rugby

Howard Hughes

Director of Rugby

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Lancashire

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| 15. | Jacob Atherton | Wigan Warriors College & Heaton Moor |
| 14. | Zephyr Maher | Myerscough |
| 13. | Finn Hurley | Cardinal Newman & PGH |
| 12. | Rory Tomlinson (Capt) | Lancaster RGS |
| 11. | Christopher McBride | St Edwards Coll & Widnes |
| 10. | Felix Twitchett | AKS Lytham & PGH |
| 9. | James Shuttleworth | Kirkham GS & PGH |

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| 1. | Readon Hadfield | Myerscough & Blackburn |
| 2. | Josh Campbell | Myerscough |
| 3. | Vinny Kanda | Cronton 6 th Form & Widnes |
| 4. | Henry McCaughrean | St Marys Coll & Firwood Waterloo |
| 5. | Douglas Dobson | Myerscough |
| 6. | Harry Steel | Myerscough & PGH |
| 7. | Stan Matthews | AKS & Fylde |
| 8. | Johnny Martin Scott | Merchant Taylors & Ormskirk |

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| 16. | Joe White | Scarisbrick Hall & Ormskirk |
| 17. | Huey Preece | Burnley Coll & Rochdale |
| 18. | Val Monetti | Myerscough & Leigh |
| 19. | Nikolai Pitera | Scarisbrick Hall & Ormskirk |
| 20. | Lewis Hall-Lyon | Lancaster RGS |
| 21. | Josh Warhurst | Myerscough & Leigh |
| 22. | Archie Hamer | Myerscough & Burnley |

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| Team Manager: | Gav Butterworth |
| Lead Coach: | Chris Marsh |
| Coaches: | Simon Finnan James Smith |
| Physio: | Sarah Louise Bailey |



Cumbria

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| 15. | James Kidd (Capt) | Trinity School & Carlisle |
| 14. | Zak Sanderson-Davies | LRGS & Kendal |
| 13. | Harry Dodd | Carlisle |
| 12. | Isaac Tizard | UVHS & Kendal |
| 11. | Will Gate | Carlisle |
| 10. | Charlie Dinneen | KKS & Kendal |
| 9. | Idris Morgan | Gosforth HS & Kendal |
| 1. | Donald Kettles | Penrith |
| 2. | Josh Doran | Keswick School & Ospreys |
| 3. | Charlie Vale Burke | Kendal College & Carlisle |
| 4. | Harry Reay | Ripley St Thomas & Penrith |
| 5. | Ernest Bordenave | Nelson Thomlinson & Wigton |
| 6. | Will Patterson | Windermere & Kendal |
| 7. | Zak Dodds | QES & Kirkby Lonsdale |
| 8. | Alfie Cubby | Gosforth HS & Penrith |
| 16. | Dan Graham | Carlisle |
| 17. | Theo Stephenson | KKS & Kirkby Lonsdale |
| 18. | Ethan Bell | William Howard & Carlisle |
| 19. | Sarmad Khan | QEGS & Carlisle |
| 20. | Sebastian Smit | Nelson Thomlinson & Wigton |
| 21. | Charlie Beattie | Trinity School & Carlisle |
| 22. | Flynn Manihera | Nelson Thomlinson & Wigton |

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| Head Coach: | Garry Holmes |
| Coaches: | Graham Kidd Craig Price |
| Physio: | Damon King |

Today's Match Officials



**Referee:
Mr John Rooke**

**AR1:
Simon Keeley**

**AR2:
Nathan Power**

Please Respect The Ref in the Middle.

"I don't think we've met before, but I'm the referee...

this is not soccer."

The image shows the Lancashire County Council logo, which is a shield-shaped emblem. The shield is white with a dark blue border and is set against a background of red and white diagonal stripes. Inside the shield, there is a stylized flower with a purple outer ring, a red inner ring, and a yellow center. The flower is on a brown stem with two green leaves. A yellow banner across the middle of the shield contains the word "LANCASHIRE" in bold, black, sans-serif capital letters.

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Y - You

