

Lancashire County Rugby Football Union



Lancashire U17s

v

Cheshire U17s



Tyldesley RUFC

Kick Off—2:00pm

Sunday 21st May 2023



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Welcome from the President of Lancashire County RFU

It gives me great pleasure on behalf of Lancashire County RFU to welcome you to Tyldesley RUFC today whether you are attending as a player, coach, manager, parent, or supporter. I hope you have an enjoyable day.



This is an important day to the players as it is the first representative match in what hopefully will be the first of many. A special thanks to Team Manager Gavin Butterworth, coaches James Smith and Chris Marsh. The players would be unable to play any of their matches without the support of the parents. On behalf of the County, I would like to thank Tyldesley RUFC for hosting the match today. I realise how much hard work and organisation goes into hosting the fixture. And we appreciate the hard work of staff and much valued volunteers.

I would like to thank Andrew Irvine today's match referee. His role today is essential in assuring that the match is played in a fair manner.

Please remember the core values of our game.

TEAMWORK, RESPECT, ENJOYMENT, DISCIPLINE and SPORTSMANSHIP.

Brian Stott
President

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Managers Word

I am thrilled to write this introductory program note for the 2023 season. It's an exciting time for Lancashire Colts rugby, as we see a number of talented young players emerging through the system.

The county rugby pathway plays a crucial role in the development of these young players. It offers them the opportunity to compete against the best players in their age group, learn from experienced coaches, forge new friendships, and create lifelong memories. Moreover, it instills in them a sense of pride and achievement in representing their county, often serving as their first taste of representative rugby. The unification of players from all corners of the county, donning the Red Rose emblem, serves as a powerful motivator and remains a driving force in local rugby. This year, we witnessed a significant surge in U17 players nominated for county trials, with 125 players in total hailing from a diverse range of rugby clubs across the region.

This presented challenges for the selection team, but after a successful Development Day held at the scenic Myerscough College, we, as a management group, have confidence that the final squad of 25 players will build upon past successes and provide formidable competition for Cheshire and Cumbria in the upcoming fixtures.

The U17 age group is an intriguing stage for young players, marking their transition from mini-junior rugby at schools and clubs to the adult game. It can be a challenging period as players adapt to a higher level of physicality and competition. The county pathway offers them the opportunity to develop, progress, and gain the confidence to excel in the adult game.

Lancashire County RFU boasts a proud history of success at all levels. This U17 series follows closely after the recent U18 series, where Lancashire suffered a loss against Cheshire but clinched an exciting victory against Cumbria. Unfortunately, the fixture against Yorkshire had to be called off due to adverse weather conditions. The U18 county age group also serves as a pathway for international recognition through the North of England structure. Outstanding performers in the U18 age group have the chance to be selected to represent the North of England, showcasing their talents to professional clubs. In the 2023 Lancashire U18 squad, eight players were chosen for the North of England team.

We are genuinely excited for the future of Lancashire rugby and firmly believe that we have numerous talented young players progressing through the ranks who possess the potential to reach the highest levels of the sport. We are grateful for the continued support from clubs, and, most importantly, the parents.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to all the players, coaches, volunteers, and supporters who contribute to Lancashire rugby. Best of luck to both teams today, and we eagerly anticipate the continuation of Lancashire's outstanding rugby heritage with this current crop of U17 players!

Go well, lads.

Gavin Butterworth



Lancashire U17s

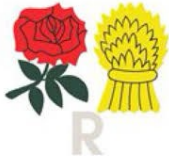
1.	Aidan Marland-Lord	Rochdale
2.	Logan Byrne	Widnes
3.	Harry Coxhill	West Park
4.	Charlie Feely	Widnes
5.	Patrick O'Loughlin (Co-Capt)	Rochdale
6.	Ashton Kasam-Sharples	Vale of Lune
7.	Tobi Oladipo	Blackburn
8.	Mathew Gardiner	Eccles
9.	Joe Davies	Eccles
10.	Oliver Corlett	Sale FC
11.	Nathan Butler	Wigan
12.	Reece Godfrey	Fylde
13.	Miles MacLagen (Co-Capt)	Heaton Moor
14.	Jack Makepeace	Glossop
15.	Samuel Thorpe	Sedgley Park
16.	Jackson Walker	Sefton
17.	Jack Austin	Colwyn Bay
18.	Leigh Rothwell	Tarleton
19.	James Edwards	Eccles
20.	Max Senior	Fylde
21.	Cameron McIntyre	Fylde
22.	Vincent Durcan	Rochdale
23.	George Nixon	Blackburn

Team Manager:	Gavin Butterworth
Coach:	Chris Marsh
Coach:	James Smith
Physio:	Sarah Bailey



Cheshire U17s

1.	Qais Derregia	Sale FC
2.	Oliver Jones	Macclesfield
3.	Joseph Shone	Chester
4.	Daniel Welford	Sale FC
5.	Jack Wigglesworth	Stockport
6.	Freddie Kenyon	Winnington Park
7.	Christian Tattum	Macclesfield
8.	Jack Wilsons	Caldy
9.	Douglas MacIver	Chester
10.	Will Burnand	Sandbach
11.	Hayden Jenkins	Sandbach
12.	Oscar Davies	Stockport
13.	Harry Reay	Sandbach
14.	Lucas Wiggins	Caldy
15.	Will Hitchen	Sale FC
16.	Will Bowbeer	Sandbach
17.	Zac Pederson	Crewe & Nantwich
18.	Tom Brierley	Macclesfield
19.	Harry Lightfoot	Chester
20.	Ned Rainer	Chester
21.	Dylan Carroll	Caldy
22.	Billy Bridgewater	Sale FC
23.	Frasier Rossiter	Chester
Manager:		Rob Davenport



Today's Match Officials

**Referee
Mr Andrew Irvine**



Please Respect The Man in the Middle.

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

this is not soccer."

‘Always there to lend a Cauliflower Ear’

***Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing support campaign
provided by Lancashire County RFU***

Mental health & emotional wellbeing issues affect, directly or indirectly, many people. It is estimated that 1 in 4 people in the UK will experience a mental health problem each year and 1 in 6 people in the past week experienced a common mental problem!!

That’s just over 2 players in your team! Yet, your teammates facing these challenges can face stigmatisation and discrimination leading to a reluctance to reach out for timely support.

The Cauliflower Ear is a rugby club-based campaign, created & funded by Lancashire County RFU, aimed at increasing awareness of mental health & emotional wellbeing issues within clubs and providing support as needed.

Bespoke artwork posters displayed prominently in clubs will provide a focal point to raise consciousness and provoke positive conversations around mental health & emotional wellbeing. The artwork will be changed throughout the season to maintain a freshness and continue the conversation. It carries the contact details for professional support with counsellors put in place & funded by Lancashire County RFU to support the members of its constituent clubs.

Alongside this, the aim is for each club will have a mental health champion specifically trained in mental health awareness and who is knowledgeable of services available so they can signpost people requiring support in the right direction.

You don’t need to be a trained health care professional to care.

You don’t need to be a trained health care professional to have a conversation.

You don’t need to be a trained health care professional to

‘lend a Cauliflower Ear’!

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U - Understanding
G - Game
B - Behaviour
Y - You

