



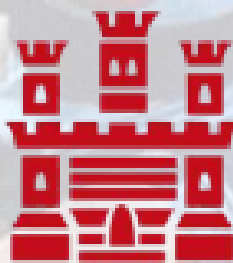
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SATURDAY 26th OCTOBER 2019

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Welcome to a new season at DKRFC!

And to the 21st Century!

Online Match Day Programme.

At the start of this season we are experimenting with an Online Match Day Programme. This programme will be available on the Friday prior to a home game so you can have a read before you come down. It is also compatible with a mobile phone! You can search www.dkrugby.co.uk hit the INFO tab then Match-Day programme or use the QR Code at the top of the page, this will also be displayed around the club on match days. The web address will remain the same all season so put it into your favourites!

So why are we doing this?

Well there are a few reasons:

On a match day we see programmes left around, even before the kick-off! Online will reduce wastage.

We pay a considerable amount of money for printing, Online costs nothing but time and effort.

If details change after it has been sent to the printers, we can't change it, with online we can make changes right up to kick off. Hard copy programmes are only available on the day, online will be available on the Friday and remain online until the following home game.

However, we do understand that some people may not be able to access the online programme, so for a period of time a single A4 sheet will be available for those who want them.

Check it out:

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Ken Crane
DKRFC
Club President



President's Message – season 2019 - 2020

A very warm welcome to all players, coaches, supporters and visitors for another season of rugby at Dudley Kingswinford RFC

Since the beginning of the year the club has incorporated, which – behind the scenes – has been complex but will underpin and secure the long-term security of the club. The continued development and improvement of the club's facilities and infrastructure has continued. This summer has seen a much-needed revamp and improvement to the patio & surrounding areas in front of the club house. This redevelopment is part of the on-going plan of improvement which is intended - with sound and prudent management – to underpin and develop vital revenue streams over the coming years.

Last season was another exciting experience for all DK followers, as the club reached the play-offs for a second consecutive year, narrowly losing a close game at Paviers RFC.

Understandably this new campaign is keenly anticipated by all. Director of Rugby Neil Shillingford together with coaches' Adam Blackford & Tommy Huggins have continued to develop & hone the squad. Competition for places will be tough, as younger players who have been developed from within the clubs burgeoning Youth section & successful Colts team, challenge for places.

This season sees us playing in a much-changed league which in turns brings different challenges. Despite last season's successes, competition continues to increase and improve. This year we look forward to meeting with old friends from Whitchurch, Hereford, Stoke, Sutton Coldfield, Worcester Wanderers, Newbold & Droitwich. In addition, we have the 'spice' of local derby games against our near neighbours Stourbridge Lions & Old Halesonians – together with Kidderminster & Ludlow in a league game – for the first time. We also anticipate renewing hostilities against 'old adversaries' Lichfield & Kenilworth.

One thing is certain, we anticipate that there will be no easy games and a new season of challenging competitive rugby is eagerly awaited. As ever we promise all visitors a warm, friendly welcome & we look forward to a season full of hard fought rugby played within the true spirit of the game.

We are proud of our reputation for pre-match lunches & post-match hospitality - all are welcome. Above all enjoy your visit to DK.

Ken Crane – 6th September 2019

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SELECTION FROM THE GALLERY



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"In sport there are three types of people - Those who watch it happen; those who MAKE it happen, and those who wonder what happened."

Well we're already nearing the end of October, clocks go back tonight, Halloween next week and this afternoon, it's game week 8 for this seasons league programme. It's been a long time since we last played Ludlow and if my memory serves me right it would have been around 1995. What I can recollect is that we left our playing shirts in their clubhouse after the game but only found out when the coach stopped at the Peacock Inn just outside Tenbury and we had to go back and fetch them. Oh the good old days! Needless to say the pub had a bumper bar take for early evening and those who stayed there were a little worse for wear by the time the coach returned to pick them up. However they are here this afternoon having been promoted from Midlands 2 West last season as league champions. They have made a good start to the season with 3 wins and a draw, and an amazing statistic that in their 3 defeats the accumulated points difference is a mere 5 points. On that basis we can expect a tough encounter this afternoon. As always we extend a warm DK welcome to their players officials and supporters who have travelled up from South Shropshire for today's game, especially to two DK Old Boys - Chris Condliff & Kieron Pinches.

Having put a very dogged and spirited Kidderminster team away a couple of weeks ago (they lost 7 players from their promotion winning team to Stourbridge Lions), last weekend saw us visit Lichfield. It has been a few years since we last played them and they were keen to throw the ball about. For those of us who made the short journey up to Lichfield we witnessed a try fest with both teams scoring 4 converted tries with only Sam Vaughan's penalty separating the teams at the end. One aspect of our play which I think has improved immensely is our tenacity in defence, especially from the younger players who appear to have matured beyond their years since the end of last season. Without wishing to single out individuals I must make mention of Callum Nicholls, Will Hancock and Tommy Walker who have raised their game to a new level.

Adam Blackford has unfortunately had to hang up his coaching boots for the time being due to ongoing conundrum of juggling his work commitments with coaching and other activities. Adam has been involved in the senior coaching for the last five seasons and we thank him for his massive contribution during that time. However we are fortunate his assistant Tommy Huggins has stepped up to fill the void. He will be assisted by former club captain Ed Parry on a Thursday evening.

Some of the more observant of you may have noticed an unbelievable score from Midlands Premier league last weekend : Bromsgrove 240 South Leicester 0. That's three points a minute!! Out of 7 league games this season South Leicester have conceded more than 100 points on 6 occasions. What has gone wrong? South Leicester have endured a torrid start to life in the Midlands Premier Division after being relegated from the national leagues. A total of 30 players left the club in pre season, as well as their coaching team. Why? They stopped paying their players as well as losing their main sponsor leaving them struggling to get a team together for the start of the season. Club officials are committed to continuing to build a side that can compete and offer meaningful fixtures going forward. They sit second bottom in the table, ahead of Peterborough Lions who were docked points for failing to fulfil a fixture. Both sides were relegated last season alongside Birmingham Solihull, who have dropped out of the league and now play in the Birmingham Merit tables. Clubs have got to be realistic about their ambitions if they are to be sustainable and that's what we're trying to achieve at DK. The powers to be at the RFU are a world away from the reality at grass roots level, and the likelihood is that similar situations will occur again as clubs go in search of the Holy grail, which brings me nicely to the World Cup.

By the time this game kicks off we shall know the first of the finalists in this years World Cup. Whilst I don't do punditry the form book has the All Blacks installed as firm favourites. However, even for a Scot, I have a sneaky feeling that England will upset the odds and will reach their second World Cup Final. As for Sunday the form book should favour South Africa, but Wales don't know how to lose and this just might be their year.

Player Sponsorship opportunities are still available for some members of the senior playing squad so if you are interested in supporting this initiative as an individual or know of a business who can get involved then please get in touch with me and I'll be only too happy to give you more details. So once again without any further delay let that DK magic loose and enjoy your afternoon, support your team and irrespective of the result please join us in the clubhouse after the game to enjoy traditional grass roots rugby hospitality.

Gordon Bannatyne

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Editors Choice - Photo of the Week – Step!



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DKRFC Club History TEAM PHOTOS



'The Bank! Why is it there, it's not a natural feature, so who put it there, when and why? "The bank didn't always look like this, when I first joined the club the stand wasn't there. Spectators had a 2-step tier made from paving slabs that extended almost the full length of the bank and in the middle, where the new stand now sits was a shed made from corrugated steel sheets. I remember when something good happened on the pitch the onlookers who were lucky enough to fit in the shed would bang the metal sheets producing a sound reminiscent of thunder! Not all my memories of the Bank are good ones. On training nights, we would be instructed to go to the far end, sprint up the bank, run along the top towards the clubhouse and back to the start point and do it all again, sometimes with a partner on your back! The installation of a fence only added to the difficulty!"

SEE
FULL
ARTICLE

Taking items from the club's collection and from the extensive archives held by Bob (Stuart) McMaster he has put together this History of the DK Bank.

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Team Selection v Ludlow RFC

1



Rich Kelley

2



James Ryan

3



Arran Hudson

4



Dan Marsh

5



Callum Nicholls

6



Mitch Grealey

8



Pete Griffiths

7



Will Hancox

9



Joe Dunn

10



Josh Melvin

12



Harry Bayliss

13



Tom Walker

11



Charles Baffour

15



Sam Vaughan

14



James Jefferson

**Impact
Players**

16



Kessa Williams

17



Josh Brown

18



Joe Tighe

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INSIDE THE BLUE & BLUE



Position
Back Row

Any Phobias
Tackling

Age
24

Laziest Player at DK
Pete Griffiths

Best DK Memory
**Beating Bromsgrove 25-23 at
Heathbrook in 2018**

Most Professional Player at DK
Tom Walker

Best Rugby Player in the World
Damian McKenzie

What team do you enjoy playing
against the most
Stoke at Home, never Away

Best hands at DK
Arran Hudson

What is your Party Trick
I can juggle beer cans

Best Tackler at DK
Rich Kelley

Winning Try or the most Tries
The Winning Try

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LUDLOW RFC TEAM SELECTION

1 Loose Head	J Durban
2 Hooker	B Chamberlin
3 Tight Head	C Conliff
4 Lock	J Mear
5 Lock	J Anderson
6 Blind Side	F Brick
7 Open Side	B Black
8 Nr 8	C Doyle
9 Scrum Half	R Perkins
10 Fly Half	K Pinches
11 Left Wing	W Sparrow
12 Inside Centre	L Hughes
13 Outside Centre	J Lines
14 Right Wing	W Hodnet
15 Full Back	J Doyle
16 Replacement	M Jones
17 Replacement	H Small
18 Replacement	W Norton

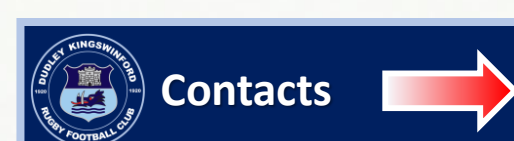
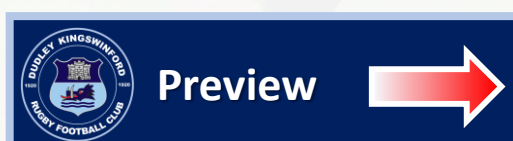
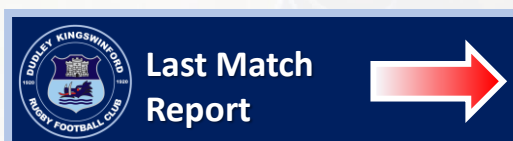
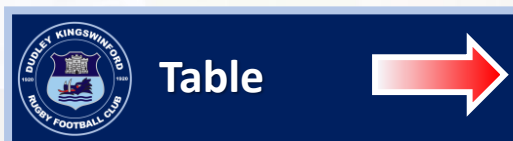
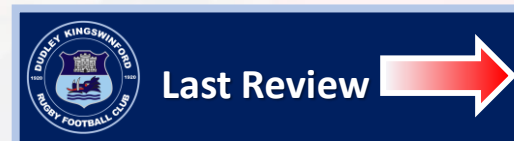
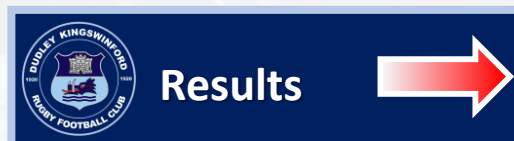
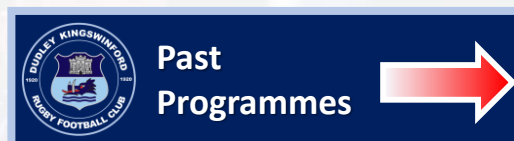


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Table

Midlands 1 West

MIDLANDS 1 WEST OF MIDLANDS DIVISION											
Pos.	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	B PTS	TOT	ADJ
1	Kenilworth	7	6	0	1	195	103	92	6	30	0
2	Stoke on Trent	7	6	0	1	233	182	51	6	30	0
3	Dudley Kingswinford	7	6	0	1	252	112	140	5	29	0
4	Hereford	7	6	0	1	167	88	79	5	29	0
5	Lichfield	7	4	0	3	256	184	72	8	24	0
6	Ludlow	7	3	1	3	202	171	31	5	19	0
7	Old Halesonians	7	3	1	3	167	156	11	5	19	0
8	Whitchurch	7	3	0	4	161	199	-38	3	15	0
9	Newbold on Avon	7	2	2	3	156	176	-20	2	14	0
10	Stourbridge Lions	7	3	0	4	149	172	-23	1	13	0
11	Droitwich	7	2	0	5	159	190	-31	5	13	0
12	Worcester	7	2	0	5	147	206	-59	3	11	0
13	Sutton Coldfield	7	1	0	6	142	227	-85	4	8	0
14	Kidderminster	7	0	0	7	108	328	-220	1	1	0

Fixtures

Dudley Kingswinford	Sat 26 Oct 2019 TBC	Ludlow
Newbold on Avon	Sat 9 Nov 2019 TBC	Dudley Kingswinford
Dudley Kingswinford	Sat 16 Nov 2019 TBC	Old Halesonians
Stoke on Trent	Sat 23 Nov 2019 14:15	Dudley Kingswinford