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DINGS CRUSADERS RFC

A CLUB WITH ITS HEART IN BRISTOL

Saturday 1st October 2011

DINGS CRUSADERS v SHELFORD

National League Division 2 South

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Oh woah is me

Today we welcome Shelford, for the league encounter, and we hope a start of a revival of fortune for Dings rugby.

The few week have been hard to fathom, a ever growing injury list, now reaching such proportions that Dings RFC have now got Red Cross affiliation, UNICEF are looking into inviting us to join and a letter from Kofi Annan sits proudly in the club office.



That said, an ever youthful team containing players who, if they actually stay with us will bode well for the future a little better that last time around when it was a ever aging team losing most of the games. It will take a little more time to gel and I'm told the injury list will lessen as the next weeks approach, although some say Kelly just likes a room full of muscular lads!

So last week at Westcombe Park, a forgettable game, mistakes made, I mean who wants 10 pints of Speckled Hen after a nice bottle of Shiraz. Still you live and learn but I had a nice sleep coming back down the M5 and sadly missed all the fun on the back of the bus, when I say fun, I mean it very loosely.

Last week was forgettable on more counts than one, with both the Knights and Warriors losing the opportunity to claim the snake belt, but with the call-ups exceeding a record number form the lower teams, it shows how important running the four sides ends up being. I would only hope our friends down the M5 can take stock and try to raise more than two teams in the future, we'll wait and see.

Around the Combination, there are whispers in the corridors of power, a 'call-off' from two of the more established teams in the First Round Proper of the Combo Cup, meaning that both Dings Knights and Clifton Wanderers lost the opportunity to put their opponents to the sword and a rare chance to play our old foes St Marys was lost. Oh how times have changed, was it only three seasons ago that we met in the final of The Glos County Cup, perhaps teams shouldn't try to guess the results before they actually play? An occurrence that's seems most popular these days.

So back to today, stirred by my well wishes I see John Thorne managed to lift his carcass on to the famous stool for yet another season, his well versed cries have been missed for the last few weeks, so today let's get behind the lads and start a revival of fortune.

Come on you Dings Boys!

Steve Lloyd

Welcome to Shelford RFC

We extend a warm welcome this afternoon to our visitors Shelford and hope that all players, officials and supporters enjoy their visit to our Lockleaze ground.

Founded in 1933 Shelford are based in Cambridge and won London One in 2008-09 to move into the National Leagues for the first time in their history. Promotion to the National League was their fourth promotion in eight years and their first year in the National leagues saw them finish in tenth place and their second last season twelfth place two places behind Dings.

Shelford have had a pretty good start to the season and currently sit in seventh place with three wins from five starts. Their three wins have come two at home 41-14 against Westcombe Park and 33-30 versus Launceston and a good away win 27-26 at Southend, their two losses were 18-33 at Redruth in the first game of the season and 13-31 at in-form Worthing.

The fixture here at Lockleaze last season, was won comfortably by Dings 41-13 with the away match taken 19-5 by Shelford. Overall the league count between the two clubs stands at three one to today's visitors as they took two close encounters in season 2009-2010

Good luck to both sides, may the best team win and all spectators committed or neutral enjoy entertaining afternoon's rugby.

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DINGS CRUSADERS **v** SHELFORD

DINGS CRUSADERS

Royal Blue & Black Hoops

JAMES LETHERBY	15	<i>Full Back</i>
JAMES OAKLEY	14	<i>Wing</i>
SHELDON STEVENS	13	<i>Centre</i>
TIM GEAR-EVANS	12	<i>Centre</i>
JAMES ADAMS	11	<i>Wing</i>
WAYLON GASSON	10	<i>Stand Off</i>
STEVE PLUMMER	9	<i>Scrum Half</i>
JAMES COOKE	1	<i>Prop</i>
DAVE WHEELER	2	<i>Hooker</i>
JAMES LITCHFIELD	3	<i>Prop</i>
OLLY HODGE	4	<i>Lock</i>
TOM KNIGHT	5	<i>Lock</i>
ELLIOTT GOODMAN	6	<i>Flanker</i>
STEAN WILLIAMS (CAPT)	7	<i>Flanker</i>
BUSTER LAWRENCE	8	<i>No 8</i>
JERRY QUICK	16	<i>Replacement</i>
ADAM CHAPLIN	17	<i>Replacement</i>
JAMES LUCK	18	<i>Replacement</i>
SYLVAN EDWARDS	19	<i>Replacement</i>
MITCHELL SPENCER	20	<i>Replacement</i>

SHELFORD

Maroon & Whit Hoops

JAY WILLIAMS	15
PHIL BULLEN-BROWN	14
TANIELA BAKOSO	13
STEVE GLITHEROW	12
SHINGAI CHIWANGA	11
HARRY OWENS	10
CHARLIE BAKER	9
MILES ANDERSON	1
NIGEL CONROY	2
MATT GREGERSON	3
ED MILLS	4
REDMOND NEWBERRY	5
RUPERT RANSOM	6
JASON BILLOWS	7
AKI LEA	8
DANE GREY	16
JACK OWENS	17
JAMES BRIGGS	18
SAM HOAD	19
SAM REDMAYNE	20

OFFICIALS: Referee: Mike Cooper
Touch Judges: Eric Woodmason and Grant Mossford

NATIONAL LEAGUE DIVISION 2 SOUTH

TEAM	P	W	L	D	Pts
Richmond	5	5	0	0	25
Worthing	5	5	0	0	24
Henley Hawks	5	5	0	0	23
Hartpury College	5	4	1	0	18
Lydney	5	4	1	0	18
Redruth	5	3	2	0	16
Old Albanians	5	3	2	0	16
Shelford	5	3	2	0	14
Southend	5	2	3	0	11
Clifton	5	2	3	0	9
Launceston	5	1	4	0	9
Hertford	5	1	4	0	6
Taunton	5	1	4	0	5
Dings Crusaders	5	0	5	0	3
Westcombe Park	5	1	4	0	2*
Barnes	5	0	5	0	1

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08 Oct	WORTHING	AWAY
15 Oct	LAUNCESTON	HOME
22 Oct	SOUTHEND	AWAY
29 Oct	HENLEY HAWKS	AWAY

National League Two South Stats

LEADING TRY SCORERS

Player	Team	Tries	Points
Alexander Nielsen	Worthing	8	40
Daniel Norton	Hartpury College	6	30
Reuben Haile	Taunton	6	30
Josh Hannam	Lydney	5	25
Thomas Duncan	Redruth	5	25
Feofaaku Lea	Shelford	4	20
Thomas Allen	Henley Hawks	4	20
Johannes Lombaard	Old Albanians	3	15
Jonathan Wehbe	Richmond	3	15
Brett McNamee	Hertford	3	15

TOP LEAGUE KICKERS

Player	Team	Cons	Pens	Drop Goals	Points
Matthew McLean	Worthing	12	11	0	57
Harry Owen	Shelford	11	9	1	52
Tim Stevenson	Hartpury College	14	7	0	49
Kieron Lewitt	Launceston	9	10	0	48
Rob Richardson	Hertford	6	9	2	45
Matt	Keville Richmond	13	3	0	35
Harvey Skelton	Dings Crusaders	7	7	0	35
James Comben	Henley Hawks	7	7	0	35
Tony Yapp	Taunton	10	4	0	32
Luke Giles	Westcombe Park	8	5	0	31

TOP LEAGUE POINT SCORERS

Player	Team	Cons	Pens	Drop	Tries	Points
Tim Stevenson	Hartpury College	14	7	0	3	64
Kieron Lewitt	Launceston	9	10	0	2	58
Matthew McLean	Worthing	12	11	0	0	57
Harry Owen	Shelford	11	9	1	1	57
Rob Richardson	Hertford	6	9	2	0	45
Alexander Nielsen	Worthing	0	0	0	8	40
Richard Gregg	Old Albanians	12	2	0	2	40
Luke Giles	Westcombe Park	8	5	0	1	36
Harvey Skelton	Dings Crusaders	7	7	0	0	35
James Comben	Henley Hawks	7	7	0	0	35



Pleased to be
Supporting
Dings Crusaders

Head to Head - DINGS search for a brain...

1 When England won the World Cup who were their semi final opponents?

Jerry	France	1
James	France	1

2 What method is Dr Crippen believed to have used to kill his wife?

Jerry	Bondage gone wrong	0
James	Drowned	1

3 The Solent is a stretch of sea separating England from which Island?

Jerry	Isle of Wight	1
James	Ireland	0

4 Which actor played Private Ryan in the film Saving Private Ryan?

Jerry	Matt Damon	1
James	Matt Damon	1

5 By what more common name is the disease rubella known as?

Jerry	Sore Throat	0
James	athletes Foot	0
<i>Correct answer</i>	<i>German Measles</i>	

6 When Dings entered National League Rugby against which team did they win their first league win?

Jerry	Westcombe Park	0
James	Sutton & Epsom	0
<i>Correct answer</i>	<i>Tabard</i>	

7 In which TV series would you find the character Gerry Standing?

Jerry	Bergerac	0
James	Only Fool's & Horses	0
<i>Correct answer</i>	<i>New Tricks</i>	

8 Lady Gaga released a single in May this year, it shares it's name with which biblical character?

Jerry	Poker Face	0
James	Moses	0
<i>Correct answer</i>	<i>Judas</i>	

9 What is the lightest chemical element ?

Jerry	Helium	0
James	Laughing Gas	0
<i>Correct answer</i>	<i>Hydrogen</i>	

10 At which racecourse would you see the St Leger Stakes?

Jerry	Aintree	0
James	Goodwood	0
<i>Correct answer</i>	<i>Doncaster</i>	



Jerry Quick
3 out of 10



James Cooke
3 out of 10

**It's a
draw...**

Top Touch Oracle

The start of the season continues to remain dormant as regards victories, and high hopes of our first win last Saturday at Westcombe Park failed to materialise. According to the 'View from the Bar' we fielded a very young team, apparently the referees all have to have CRB checks now in case they have to touch or speak to any of our youthful players. But Hey Ho! it's not all about the winning is it? It's about the taking part! The bloke who said that obviously never played the game, or stood on the bottom touch line either.

So today for our next attempt we welcome Shelford as our opponents, or should I say Great Shelford as there are in fact two of them. Separated by the river Granta, but sharing a railway station, Little and Great Shelford nestle in the Cambridgeshire countryside, probably in an idyllic rural setting much like us. Their parish church has remained largely unaltered since it's rebuild in 1307, that means unlike our local centres of worship it hasn't been vandalised yet.

Shelford also gives its' name to some famous sporting people, Buck (or Wayne) an All Black, Adrian and Kelly, NZ Rugby League players and Angus a NZ Boxer (I don't think that was a dog). Also Robert Shelford was a famous British Naturalist (sorry Naturalist).

Well, I expect like me, you have been glued to the TV watching the Rugby World Cup and marvelling at the high levels of skill and commitment on display. The interpretation of the laws however seem rather different to those we see each Saturday, particularly the advantage allowed. And whilst on the subject of sporting excellence I went to Cheddar Gorge recently to watch the Tour of Britain cycle race. The Gorge was packed from top to bottom, and to see the riders cycle up almost as quickly as I drive was impressive, although as a spectator sport it left a little to be desired as it lasted about as long as a front rower's romantic dalliance, precisely 45 seconds! However it was good to see a



Yellow Jersey, rather than Yellow Cards for a change!

Our last home game was going all right until we decided a couple of our chaps needed a break, then 'Druth put us to the sword. Their supporters were a nice bunch of chaps and a few ladies, and I had a lovely conversation with their resident Druid, Jago, 6 fingers, Penberthy. He told me that the BBC had contacted the local council to do special editions of Crime Watch and Crime Scene Investigates, but apparently after some research they found that all the population of Redruth have the same DNA. One good thing came of it though they are now twinned with Lydney! Also interesting was the fact that there is no love lost amongst the Cornish Clubs, 'Druth can't understand why Launceston insist on calling themselves the All Blacks, when there isn't one Fijian or Samoan playing for them. And as for the Pirates, well apparently they are just a bunch of foreign mercenaries. One assumes that means they were born East of the Tamar.

Anyhow, back to today's game, who knows who will turn out for us this afternoon, but the coach has some rusks and Calpol for half time just in case. Shelford have had a reasonable start, 3 'Ws', that's 3 more than us. Without wishing to be inhospitable let's send them home pointless but safe.

To all who are feeling downhearted, let's get behind the boys, let the ref. do his job (that was hard for me to write) and create an atmosphere that gets us a win.

DINGS V CLIFTON

