

NEWARK v SCUNTHORPE – Midlands One East

Hello and welcome to all our visitors for the second home league match of the season. Scunthorpe, as ever, will be formidable opponents. They are unbeaten so far in four league games and are obvious candidates for promotion next April. We do not have one match sponsor today but several! Thanks to John Cook for organising a number of club patrons to host a table each. A full list of sponsors already signed up for the games to come is below alongside the opportunities. Please speak to Wendy in the club office if you are interested in the various offers on the table, so to speak.

Team news

Most member and supporters will have heard in recent weeks about Michael Dobson's impending departure. He has signed for Harlow from next week and everyone must respect his wishes. Who takes over at outside-half next week?

It is good to see Danny Coen back on the team list for today's game. Matt Clark is on a golfing trip in Ireland and has handed back the No 9 jersey. Injuries have hit the squad hard. Shaun May, Ian Tomlinson and Chris Tate are all out for various periods and it is a case of all hands to the pumps after two wins and two defeats in four league games. Mick Barker is back starting in the front row alongside another familiar face in Matt Cove. Lewis Cove has been named to start on the subs bench after missing last weekend's defeat to Paviers. Will Naylor gains his chance in the back row.

Other injury news concerns Ben Ennals, the second teamer. Reports of a fractured ankle have changed to a sprained ankle.

Charity night

Please support the charity night at the club next Wednesday, kick off 7.30pm. It is Sheila's annual night in aid of Breast Cancer Research and it sees the 3rd/4th XV taking on a team from North Hykeham. Let's hope we can repeat the success of last season.

MATCH-DAY SPONSORS

Sat, Sept 19:	Old Northamptonians – President's Lunch
Sat, Oct 3:	Scunthorpe – patrons
Sat, Oct 17:	Masding Motorhomes – Tony Masding
Sat, Oct 31:	Newark Storage – Tony Rose
Sat, Nov 14:	Antony Aspbury Associates – Tony Aspbury
Sat, Dec 5:	Available
Sat, Dec 12:	Mini & Youth
Sat, Jan 9:	Larken and Co – Julian Bruce
Sat, Jan 23:	Available.
Sat, Feb 13:	Available.
Sat, March 6:	Available.
Sat, March 20:	Newark Showground
Sat, April 10:	Willoughby 396 – John Coles

All The Results & Details

Midlands One East – Latest Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Old Northampton	4	4	0	0	138	36	8
Syston	4	4	0	0	116	31	8
Scunthorpe	4	4	0	0	151	73	8
Derby	4	3	0	1	135	30	6
Paviers	4	3	0	1	124	53	6
Ilkeston	4	3	0	1	107	64	6
Newark	4	2	0	2	105	56	4
Mansfield	4	2	0	2	94	95	4
L Buzzard	4	1	0	3	73	98	2
Dunstablians	4	1	0	3	44	135	2
Stewarts & Lloyds	4	1	0	3	61	161	2
Matlock	4	0	0	4	34	113	0
Market Bosworth	4	0	0	4	50	141	0
Wellingborough	4	0	0	4	51	197	0

Today's fixtures

Ilkeston v Wellingborough, Leighton Buzzard v Dunstablians, Mansfield v Derby, Market Bosworth v Syston, Matlock v Stewart & Lloyds, Newark v Scunthorpe, O Northamptonians v Paviers.

Next Saturday

Derby v Market Bosworth, Dunstablians v Mansfield, Ilkeston v Leighton Buzzard, Scunthorpe v O Northamptonians, Stewart & Lloyds v Newark, Syston v Matlock, Wellingborough v Paviers.

Latest results

Saturday, Sept 26: Derby 36 – Leighton Buzzard 0, Dunstablians 7 – Ilkeston 12, Paviers 25 – Newark 17, Scunthorpe 39 – Matlock 7, Ampthill 18 – Market Bosworth 8, Syston 9 – Mansfield 3, Wellingborough 13 – O Northamptonians 70.

Paviers 25 – Newark 17

Team: Brewer; Fagan, Collishaw, Cormack, Moore; Dobson, Clark; Barker, M Cove, Pick, Evans, Mather; Webster, Rhodes, Edwards. Subs: Loftus, Naylor, Henfrey.

Tries: Brewer; Pick. Conversions: Dobson (2).

Penalty goal: Dobson.

Saturday, Sept 19: Dunstablians 31 – Wellingborough 24, Ilkeston 20 – Derby 15, Leighton Buzz 8 – Syston 15, Mansfield 43 – Stewart & Lloyds 33, Market Bosworth 25 – Scunthorpe 35, Matlock 10 – Paviers 26, Newark 3 – Old Northamptonians 16.

Newark 3 Old Northamptonians 16

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Penalty goal: Dobson.

News, Events, Seen & Heard

Best of the net

1st XV winning at Matlock

"Michael Dobson led the way by scoring a crucial second-half try that split the Matlock defence to establish control for Newark. He followed that up by converting the score having started the half by landing an easy penalty in front of the posts."

2nd XV valiant display against Paviers

"Newark, despite their fourth defeat on the bounce, demonstrated that with the continued improved performances, their first victory of the season is now overdue and duly deserved. An excellent individual performance from Jamie Eveleigh highlighted the desire from all the squad to earn victory."

3rd XV glory

"The second half again had Newark dominating and an excellent break by Bryan Loftus from his own half was finished off by the 'poacher' – Gareth Bartsch. The 'poacher' was also on hand minutes later to score his second and fourth of the season.

"It should be said that very quickly Newark had made good use the ball, throwing it wide, that by half-time they had racked up 50 points without reply. Good long runs from Captain Loftus, Overland, Statham and Hill saw the tries come from deep. The referee warned both sides he was going to tighten up in the second period, to which two players were lucky not to be yellow-carded for swearing (namely Jasper and Pitcher)!"

4th XV accidents

Poor Spanky had to leave the field after being floored twice in two minutes in separate incidents by Newark players. Accidental we are told. The half backs of Darren Carrington and Jim McEwen were issued with a proverbial armchair apiece by the pack, and they dictated superbly allowing some fine running from the boys.

Under-17s power on

"At 0 – 55 the ref blew early to end a well deserved win for Newark. The whole team deserve a mention for a great team display. A stern test awaits at Melbourn next Sunday but the positives from this match will give the lads some confidence in their own ability."

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Last call for Six Nations tickets

Twickenham Matches

Saturday, Feb 6 England v Wales (Kick off 5pm) Saturday, Feb 27 England v Ireland (Kick off 4pm)

Prices: £85, £71, £60, £52, £41.

Applications with full payment (cheque payable to Newark RUFC) plus a SAE to: Andrew Fearn, 4 Falstone Avenue, Newark, Notts, NG24 1SH.

Newark Rugby Football Club

NEWARK		SCUNTHORPE		
15	Matt Brewer	Full Back	Chris Neal	15
14	Aloesi Waqalevu	Right Wing	James Wade	14
13	Jo Cormack	Centre	Tom Foster	13
12	Ed Collishaw	Centre	Steve Parker	12
11	Alex Moore	Left Wing	'Woody' Viamoso	11
10	Michael Dobson	Fly-Half	Mark Woollard	10
9	Danny Coen	Scrum Half	Dan McLean	9
1	Mick Barker	Loosehead prop	Al Fagan	1
2	Matt Cove	Hooker	Gareth Mist	2
3	Harry Pick	Tighthead Prop	Phil Jewell	3
4	Jon Evans	Lock	Luke Scargill	4
5	Liam Mather	Lock	Phil Sidebottom	5
6	Will Naylor	Blindside Flanker	Mick Coult	6
7	Jon Webster	Openside Flanker	Roger Hensby	7
8	Daley Edwards	No. 8	Dave Garbutt	8
16	Jason Henfrey	Subs	Will Tomlinson	16
17	Lewis Cove		Gav Kempthorpe	17
18	Mark Miller		Geoff Hughes	18
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		Referee	Michael Dickens (NLD)	

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Thanks Dobbo and good luck

Andrew Michael Dobson –

Debut October 2003. Captain 2005-06, 2006-07.



Home debut v Huntingdon – Dobson dazzles

What The Advertiser said...

"Dobson restored Newark's lead single-handedly when he kicked a penalty and then, in first-half stoppage time, picked the ball up off his toes and maintained his balance before weaving through the visiting defence from just inside the opposing half..."

The next week v Northampton Old Scouts

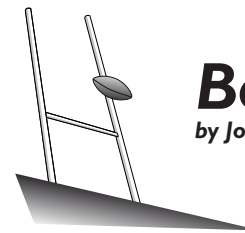
"Old Scouts pulled a try back but Dobson replied with a try of his own when he picked up a loose ball 35 metres out, chipped over the defenders, and caught the ball before racing over and then converting his own try."

And the bad days... v Ilkeston, Dec 2006

"Despite having Captain Dobson sin-binned just before half-time, Newark maintained the pressure for long periods in the second half."

Just three clippings from the club's cuttings books show that Andrew Michael was never too far away from the action at Kelham Road. It is disappointing to see him up sticks but the whole will wish him the best where ever the future takes him. I think it is fair to say you never quite knew, when Dobbo received the ball, which way he was going to go sometimes – but for the majority it has been in an attacking direction in the best interests of Newark Rugby Club.

Good luck, Rob Wildman.



Between the Posts

by John Whitelaw

MOVING home has meant the slowest start I have had to a rugby season for nearly 20 years. We now live in the south west corner of Nottingham with a view all the way down the Trent Valley to the Beet Factory. All I need now is a bloody big telescope so I can watch matches at Kelham Road from the comfort of my own home.

Worthwhile performances in our pre-season games and two quick wins on the road set up everyone for the first home game! Well played Old Northamptonians. It was a close game and they deserved it. It's a great shame about the injuries to Shaun May and Ian Tomlinson, just when they enjoying their rugby. And then we all went off to Paviers. It was a great start and some good tries but then the second half! Good luck to Dobbo at Harlow. He's given us all wonderful entertainment over the last few years and deserves a good send off.

You may have noticed an increase in the programme price. A 50 percent increase seems a lot in these strained financial times but it now includes a raffle ticket as well and saves you being hassled to fork out more money. Not so long ago I saw someone proffer a £10 note and was presented with 30 strips and no change and he still didn't win. At some clubs at our level they will charge you three quid to get in, then expect another couple of quid for a programme AND then again for raffle tickets later! We hope you will support the cause.

Many people in Notts seem to think that we are a rich club but, although we're not broke, maintaining our facilities is incredibly expensive and leaves little to spare. I would also remind people that it is club policy not to pay players but to offer them a friendly place to come and play a good standard of enjoyable rugby.

The summer has, of course been dominated by some dubious practices on the field during the Lions' tour and by a certain multi-coloured outfit down London way. Is cheating something new which has been brought on by high pressure to succeed and big money? I remember a certain incident in April 2003 when the home team's pack was being hammered to hell and their coach insisted, much to the player's surprise, that the hooker was injured and that un-contested scrums be played.

The referee, however, was not of that opinion and insisted that no substitution be made and when he awarded a penalty try at a scrummage in added time to give us the match, was he also making a point?

Certainly, the taste left in our mouths and the end of the game was far sweeter than blood, false or otherwise.

Enjoy the season, John Whitelaw

NEXT SATURDAY –

Follow the team to **Stewarts & Lloyds RFC**

Ground address: The Clubhouse, Occupation Rd, Corby, NN17 1EH

Website: slrfc.org.uk

Directions: From Kettering take A6003 to Oakham at Corby RFC turn right into A6116, quarter of a mile turn right, just past Game Bird pub, into Occupation Road. 1st right into Cannock Road. Club on the right at end of road.

Newark Rugby Union Football Club – 2009/10

Dates	1st Team	Result	2nd Team	Result	3rd Team	Result	4th Team	Result
Aug 22	Newport Salop H F	W 17-14						
Aug 29	Dinnington A F	W 10-7			East Leake H F	L 5-20		
Sept 5	Matlock A L	W 27-8	Matlock A P	L 7-12	Casuals A F	W 69-21	Ripley H F	W 58-0
Sept 12	Wellingborough A L	W 57-8	Wellingborough A F	L 18-31	Ashbourne 2 H P	L 17-56	Ollerton 2 H P	W 87-5
Sept 19	O Northampton H L	L 3-16	O Northampton H F	L 20-24	Lincoln 2 H P	L 12-52	Leesbrook 2 A P	L 10-17
Sept 26	Paviers A L	L 17-25	Paviers H P	L 15-29	Horncastle A F	W 50-26	Paviers 3 A P	L 12-34
Oct 3	Scunthorpe H L		S Leicester A C		Bakewell A P		Tupton 2 A P	
Oct 7			Charity Night H					
Oct 10	Stew & Lloyds A L		Notts Medics A P		W Bridgford 2 H		Mkt Rasen 3 H F	
Oct 17	Syston H L		TBA		Trent Univ 4 H P		Meden Vale 2 H P	
Oct 24	Derby A L		Derby H P		Derby 3 A P		Derby 4 H F	
Oct 31	Dunstablians H L		Nottm Univ A P		TBA		Scunthorpe H F	
Nov 7	Ilkeston A L		Ilkeston H P		Sleaford 2 A P		W Bridgford 3 H F	
Nov 14	L Buzzard H L				Scunthorpe 3 F		TBA	
Nov 17			Cranwell H F					
Nov 21	Mkt Rasen H NLD Cup		Loughborough A P		TBA		Ripley A F	
Nov 28	Mansfield A L		Mansfield H P		Mansfield 3 A P		Mansfield H C	
Dec 5	Mkt Bosworth H L		Mkt Bosworth H F		Mkt Rasen 3 A P		Retford A P	
Dec 12	Wellingborough H L		Wellingboro H F		Mellish 2 H P		Mellish 3 A P	
Dec 19	O Northampton A L		O Northampton A L		Southwell 2 A F		Southwell 3 H P	
Dec 26	President's XV							
Jan 2	Mansfield H L		TBA		Bakewell 2 H P			
Jan 9	Paviers H L		Paviers A P		TBA		Paviers 3 H P	
Jan 16	Scunthorpe A L		TBA		Mkt Rasen 2 H F		Mkt Rasen 3 A F	
Jan 23	Stew & Lloyds H L		Loughborough H P		Trent Univ 4 A P		Ollerton 2 A P	
Jan 30	Syston A L		Notts Medivs H P		Lincoln 2 A P		Tupton 2 H P	
Feb 6			Nottm Univ H P		Horncastle H F		Leesbrook 2 H P	
Feb 13	Derby H L		Derby A P		Derby 3 H P		Derby 4 A F	
Feb 20	Dunstablians A L		TBA		Ashbourne 2 A P		Scunthorpe A F	
Feb 27	Notts Cup semi		TBA		W Bridgford 2 A P		Meden Vale 2 A P	
Mar 6	Ilkeston H L		Ilkeston A P		Sleaford 2 H P		TBA	
Mar 13	L Buzzard A L		TBA		Southwell 2 H F		Southwell 3 A F	
Mar 17					Cas Donington H C			
Mar 20	Mansfield H L		Mansfield A P		Mansfield H P		Mansfield A F	
Mar 27	Mkt Bosworth A L		TBA		TBA		TBA	
Apr 3	Easter							
Apr 10	Matlock H L		Matlock H P		Mellish 2 A P		Mellish 3 H P	
Apr 17								
Apr 24								

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