

SECOND TO NONE

LOOK BACK TO YESTERDAY

Twenty-one years ago today (give or take a week), St. Anne's welcomed Heworth to Higginshaw Road in a Premier Division league fixture.

Heworth arrived at Higginshaw Road smarting from a heavy defeat by Saints on their own ground earlier in the season.

They responded by opening the scoring in the tenth minute, when propforward Chris Plowman went over after some magnificent groundwork by half backs Tony Howcroft and Chris Hammerton.

Saints meanwhile regrouped and were unfortunate not to draw level when Paddy Mitchell put his half-back partner Paul Lord in under the posts, only, for the match official to call a forward pass. Just before half time Rob Whitemoss slotted over a penalty goal to reduce the deficit to two points.

After the break, Saints were level when Whitemoss found the target with his second penalty goal.

It was a battle of the forwards with Jason Akeroyd, Phil Russell and Kieran Deakin impressive for Saints while Plowman, Jason Gatus and Mark Atkin give 100% for the visitors.

On the hour mark, Heworth regained the advantage when Plowman added a second try with Gatus adding the extras to take the score to 10-6.

With the clock ticking down, it looked like the 'Villagers' would be heading home with the points, but, when centre Matt McPherson broke from his own line to send Graeme Sykes racing to the corner to touch down in the right corner, everything depended on the difficult conversion from the touchline for Whitemos who duly obliged to bring a highly entertaining game to a conclusion.

St. Anne's: 1) Chris Wright, 2) Graeme Sykes, 3) Matt McPherson, 4) Adie Belle, 5) Casey Mayberry, 6,) Paddy Mitchell, 7) Paul Lord, 8) Jason Akeroyd, 9) Martin Kay 10) Phil Russell, 11) Kieran Deakin, 12) Glen Galbraith, 13) Rob Whitemoss, 14) Paul Geener. 15) Jon Brierley, 16) Rick Healing, 17) Martin Taylor.

Tries: G. Sykes. Goals: R. Whitemoss (3). M.o.M: R. Whitemoss.

Heworth: 1) Richard Darling, 2) Andy Tindall, 3) Andy Mercer, 4) Andy Gabel, 5) Nathan Witty, 6) Tony Howcroft, 7) Chris Hammerton, 8) Mark Gregan, 9) Mark Atkin, 10))Chris Plowman, 11) Craig Forsyth, 12) Jason Gatus, 13) Mark Green, 14) Kevin Gott, 15) Wayne Foster, 16) John Coulson, 17) Sam Clarke. Tries: C. Plowman (2). Goal: J. Gatus. M.o.M.: C. Plowman.

Full Time: 10 -10. Half Time 2-4 Referee: Ian Gaydon (Halifax).

HISTORY OF HEWORTH A.R.L.F.C

Heworth ARLFC was formed in 1922 in the city of York.

The 1930's realised the fruits of much hard work, junior sides were started and after a nomadic start, a base was found at the Tang Hall Hotel. Real progress was made when success in local cup competitions were achieved following the club's acceptance to the Leeds & District League. Many players gained County and International honours; the club had the distinction of winning the Yorkshire U-21's Cup in successive years.

Heworth became one of Yorkshires' leading clubs, and spurred on by the success on the field, went all out to find a ground and clubhouse of its own. That goal was finally achieved with the opening of Elm Park Way in 1971, and then the clubhouse was in 1973. Much more has been done since then extending the clubhouse and changing facilities and floodlights installed.

Well over 200 players have signed professional forms over the years, with some of the most notable being: Geoff Wrigglesworth (Leeds), Ken Bowman (Huddersfield (, Colin Forsyth (Oldham), David Watkinson (Hull K.R.) and Gary Divorty (Hull). Club stalwart Barry Jackson had a few seasons with Doncaster while club secretary Ken Sykes spent twelve years at Hunslet, Chris Hammerton served York for seven years.

Heworth were one of the founder members of the BARLA National League, winning the championship in the inaugural season 1986/87. Also, in that same season they reached the National Cup final for their first and so far, only appearance, and in a keenly contested game at Headingley against new boys Thatto Heath.

Success during the reign of coaches David Watkinson and Robin Divorty elevated Heworth to a position in the elite of amateur rugby league. I 1993/94 they won the Yorkshire Cup final for the first time in their history beating Beverley 21-

The last few seasons have been extremely difficult and less successful with Heworth slipping down from the Premier to the Third Division of the National Conference League. Due to the difficulties, Heworth sadly dropped out of the Conference League in 2015 which was hard to swallow for all involved considering they were one of the founder members. After a couple of seasons in the Yorkshire Men's League, they successfully re-applied to the NCL prior to the 2019 campaign.

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Well the 2020 season is finally here and we are all excited what lies ahead. This will be our first Home game of the season due to the recent storms,

We have had a busy winter upgrading the players' lounge and the dressing room area I believe it has made a massive improvement to match day experience for players and spectators



Firstly, please let me welcome the players, coaching staff, committee and supporters from Heworth. We hope you enjoy your day and the famous Saints hospitality.

The new coaching set up of Rick Badby, Leo Casey and Paul Green have worked hard pre-season with the team, and with a Standard Cup Final to look forward to on Good Friday against Saddleworth, things are going in the right direction on and off the field.

Last week our NCL team kicked off the season with a great 26-12 win up in Cumbria over Askam, whilst our NWML team defeated Mayfield in a pre-season friendly.

I wish our NMWL team the best of luck today as they travel to Latchford Albion, I am sure Gary Ainsworth, Wayne Corcoran and Andy Wallace on the coaching staff will have the lads firing on all cylinders and pull off a victory

Please respect the officials today, and enjoy your rugby.

Yours in sport

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Chairman



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A big "Thank You" must go to Donald Heap, Jack Woodley and Joe Leach aka Dad's Army who are at the club every morning.

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Thanks again fellas.



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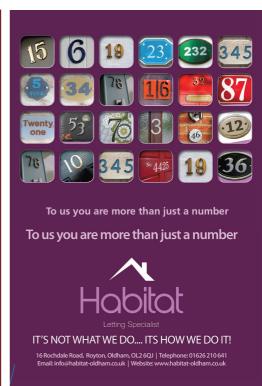
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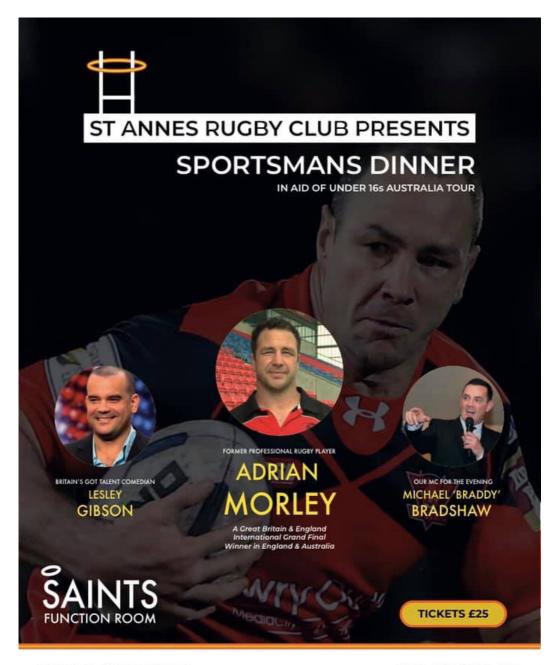
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The waggon trailer was purchased and work began. The driving force behind the work on the cabin was another ex-player Paul Garrett, who not only designed the layout of it but also completed the work with his trusted companion Paul Green.

The overall project was complete in approximately six months and the end product is situated behind the goal at the Shaw Road end. The club cannot thank enough the people who gave up their time to work on it and it just shows you don't need a lot of money, just hard work and a lot of good lads!

With Thanks to the following, Paul Garrett, Paul Green, Jason Hopwood, Terry Hester, Graham Sykes, Leo Casy, Neil Woodcock, Rob Proudman, Andy Foy, Rick Badby, Andy Spencer (ALCO), Geoff Woodcock and Lee's Brewery.



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