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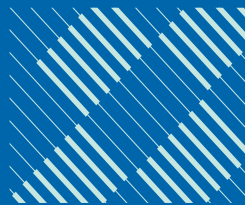
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Good afternoon and welcome to today's Championship fixture against Cornish Pirates. An especially warm welcome to the players and supporters who have made the journey up from Penzance for the encounter.

Hard to believe, but it's exactly nine weeks since our last home league game, being the epic Friday night win over Coventry in late January. Since then, we've played our second block of Prem Cup pool games, featuring the trip to Bath and the win over Bristol, then the extra game against the Army.

League action got back underway last week away at Hartpury. Not the result we wanted, nor a performance to feel good about, but the two bonus points mean we have held onto second place.

Pirates come here today off the back of a six try win over London Scottish and will be eager to get stuck in as they move back into the top half of the table. This is indeed a really tough block of games with upcoming fixtures up at Doncaster, here against Nottingham and then Ealing away, all coming in rapid succession.

On the wider stage there is much to reflect upon with the Six Nations done and dusted, last week's RFU SGM been and gone, and a lot still to be finalised regarding next season. What we do know is there won't be any promotion into the Premiership (again) and that next season's league structure will be extended to 14 clubs. We are also expecting that next season won't have the big gaps in it that have been a less than popular feature of the current campaign, as well as a fresh new look and feel to the competition.

In the here and now, what matters most is this afternoon's contest against the Pirates, which will be bound to entertain and enthral the Goldington Road faithful.

Come on you Blues!

David Owen





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FROM THE COACHES

TEAM TALK



Tom Cruse Forwards Coach

Good afternoon everyone and welcome back to Goldington Road as we prepare for yet another battle against a fellow Top Four hopeful, welcoming Cornish Pirates for our first home Championship fixture in eight weeks.

We are very pleased to welcome Alan Paver and Gavin Cattle, their coaching team, playing squad and travelling supporters here to Bedford for what I have no doubt will be another cracker between our two sides. It's always a hotly contested battle with Pirates and hopefully it's one today that we can come out on the right side of.

We are very eager to get back out on the field today for a quick opportunity to re-write some of the wrongs from last weekend's defeat at Hartpury. We might not have been helped in our cause but there'll be no excuses from ourselves, we didn't do enough to win the game and have to return back to the way we want to play as quickly as possible, starting today.

Managing to remain in second place courtesy of the two bonus points is always pleasing, and our review showed there were positives to take from the game – it's not a case

of ripping things up and starting again, but we'll be looking for subtle changes to have a greater impact in the game itself.

Being back in-front of our home support is something we obviously cherish, and we have a very proud recent Goldington Road record to try and protect this afternoon. You always want to make your home stadium a fortress and the performances against Bristol and Coventry before the break were really impressive – those are the levels we need to get back to.

There are nine games to go and we need our #BluesFamily behind us every step of the way as we aim to fulfil our targets and ambitions. Continue to get behind the team and make your voices heard today.

Come On You Blues!

Tom Cruse

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The Followers Association warmly welcome all those connected to Cornish Pirates. We know supporters come from all over the country and we'd like to especially give a shout out to those from St Neots (Peplers) and Clive Burden from Hexham in Northumberland.

Pirates will be desperate to avenge their defeat to us at the beginning of the season, as much as we will want to continue our great form on home soil.

We took a very busy bus to Hartpury last week to support a game which will not live long in the memory! However, we never give up on our players and we will be there in numbers again at Doncaster next week and all the other away games. We know you will be back stronger and more determined today and onwards.

Our new improved website is up and running with the added bonus of being able to book and pay for a seat on the bus at the amazing price of only £10 for members. Seats can still be booked in the traditional way of in our office at home games, which is to the right of the main gate and with Margaret as usual. Take a look at the new site on www.bedfordrfa.org – Jilly Lane, Chris Deverell and Mel Glover take a bow.

We publish the jackpot winning numbers there too, so please check any tickets as we have a few that have not been claimed. And as a reminder, our ticket sellers wear pale blue hi-vis and prizes are £100, £50 and £25 in cash and redeemed on the day.



All members will have received an email with a Player of the Season voting form. Please return these by 3rd May by email or to any committee member. Who do you think has been the most consistent and/or contributed the most on the pitch? Tough choice.

Looking back this is what I wrote as my notes nearly two years ago: 'Our 'shared' U20 player Henry Pollock excelled in a white shirt, four tries and three MOTM awards and the passion he showed was infectious, remember the name!!' I'll leave that there.

Back to today, I predict an attritional game, the lads will need to hear you, please don't disappoint.

Solveig Haywood
Bedford Rugby Followers Association

MAN OF THE MATCH AWARD

Following the home game v British Army, the Bluegreen Design Man of the Match award was presented to Lucas Titherington.



THE FOLLOWERS MAN OF THE MATCH AWARD

Following the game away at Hartpury last weekend, the Followers chose Joey Conway as their Man of the Match.



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BEDFORD BLUES WOMEN

THREE SUCCESSIVE HOME VICTORIES FOR BLUES WOMEN

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WOMEN



It's been an exceptional last month for Bedford Blues Women on home soil having picked up the maximum 15 points available to them with some incredibly pleasing performances at Goldington Road.

Bletchley were blown away 97-5 back in February, before an absolute classic against Welwyn was edged 33-31 and a confident 26-5 success against Wyomondham Wasps last weekend.

There will be trickier times ahead with trips to Welwyn, Ipswich and Peterborough still left to round off the season, where just one victory from those matches will see them wrap up second spot in the table. Not bad indeed for their debut campaign at NC1 level.



Reflecting on recent outings, Bedford Blues Women captain, Lucy Middleton said: "I'm incredibly proud of the team for their efforts and hard work in these recent fixtures.

"We spoke about trying to respond from the disappointment of losing to Stamford at the start of the year and I think we've well and truly done that in the past few weeks, scoring over 150 points and conceding very few.

"The title may have gotten away from us, but we'd have all taken second if you'd have offered it to us for our first season at this level, and we're one win away from securing that position in the table which should instil a lot of confidence for the final few weeks of the season.

"There are some tough away games to finish but if we can continue to keep fighting for each other then we believe we can get the results."





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TODAY'S OPPONENTS

CORNISH PIRATES



Opportunities to do the double over Cornish Pirates don't come around very often, yet today Bedford have the chance to do just that after grinding out a last gasp victory at The Mennaye back in October.



To complete the job this afternoon, Mike Rayer's side will have to re-write the recent history books with the away side tasting success in this fixture on each of the last three occasions.

Pirates sail into Bedford on the highest of highs in terms of proceedings in the Championship having really put themselves into the Top Four hunt with victory over London Scottish last weekend. It's a hotly contested battle between six or seven teams for those spots, but Pirates have the advantage of seeming to come good the longer the season goes on and they'll fancy themselves to back up their second places finish in 23/24.

The formative Penzance & Newlyn first played against Bedford on 7th April 1958 during Bedford's Easter Tour to the West Country which resulted in a win for the home side 6-3. Since Cornish Pirates have been established, there have been 49 matches played, Pirates leading the series 27-21 with one draw.

Blues Director of Rugby, Rayer has been in charge for all of them – Pirates being the side he has faced the most in his tenure – and lines up against them for the 50th time this afternoon. That's an incredible amount of miles on the coach to Penzance clocked up!

With a couple of cup ties thrown in for good measure, this has become a regular fixture with this the tenth meeting in just four seasons. Those last seven meetings have averaged just shy of 61 points, so it's set to be another cracker this afternoon.

We welcome all from Cornwall to Goldington Road and hope they enjoy a trip which has become rather familiar in recent times.

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CORNISH PIRATES TWO TO WATCH



Alex Everett

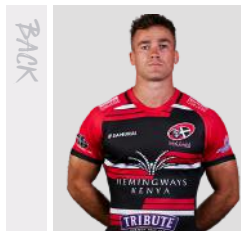
BACK ROW

Currently in his third season down in Cornwall, ever reliable Alex Everett will be looking to maintain his particularly impressive recent form which has coincided with Pirates continuing their upwards trajectory towards the Championship's Top Four.

Born in Kent, and growing up in and around the Saracens Academy, Everett made his first inroads into professional rugby while studying at Cardiff University – representing Welsh Premiership duo, Newport and Cardiff.

His performances earned him a few inclusions in the regional system, making a European debut against Toulouse. Settling in Cornwall, Everett has been an ever present in the Pirates squad whenever available for selection.

Well past the 50 appearances marker, Everett was proudly named 'Player of the Year' for 2022/23. He followed that up with the John Stirling Memorial Cup for Commitment last season, as well as an inclusion into the Championship Clubs Podcast Team of the Season.



Will Trewin

FULL BACK

One of the form players in the division, having been named in the Championship Clubs Podcast Team of the Week for three of the past four rounds of action, Will Trewin continues to impress in his third campaign at Pirates.

A local lad, who played youth rugby at Helston RFC, Trewin also represented Exeter Chiefs U23s and Redruth before signing into the second tier of English rugby.

A talented sportsman all round, having also excelled at football and cricket in his younger days, it was always pretty much a guarantee that Trewin would find his way into sport somehow – with his father, brother and sister all making a name for themselves across various disciplines.

He was one of eight Pirates players nominated for the Team of the Season last year, just narrowly missing out himself, but you'd estimate he'd be a shoo in this time around after a number of standout displays in league and cup competition.

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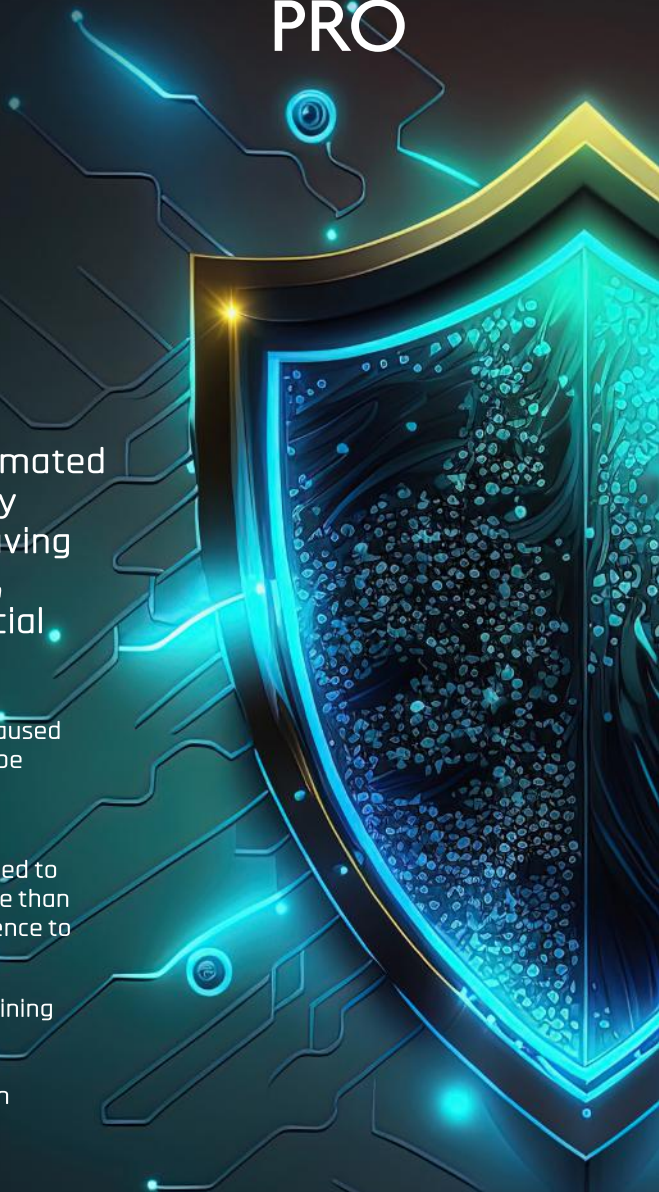
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...CAR YOU OWNED?

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...SPORTING EVENT YOU ATTENDED?

Ipswich Town v Liverpool. We lost 7-0.



...SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNT YOU CHECK IN THE MORNING?

WhatsApp.



...BROKEN BONE?

Never broken one.



...CRUSH?

Pamela Anderson.



...PET?

A hamster called Bertie.



...THING YOU DO AFTER A MATCH?

Enjoy a beer.

LAST...



...THING YOU BOUGHT?

I bought my son a 'babycino'.



...TIME YOU CRIED?

When my mortgage rate went up.



...THING YOU GOOGLED?

The weather, bit boring really.



...SPORTING EVENT YOU ATTENDED?

West Ham v Manchester City.



...HOLIDAY YOU WENT ON?

America.



...PERSON YOU CALLED?

My estate agent.



...TV SERIES THAT HAD YOU HOOKED?

Adolescence on Netflix.



...SONG YOU LISTENED TO ON SPOTIFY?

The Happy Song – it's a baby song.



...PLAYER YOU'D WANT TO SHARE A HOTEL ROOM WITH?

Michael Le Bourgeois – he's a nightmare, he'd probably give me a wedgie or something daft while I sleep.

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THE BIG INTERVIEW

JOEL

MATAVESI

Out injured this afternoon but raring to go when back fully fit, Joel Matavesi talks life juggling working with the Bedford Blues Foundation alongside his thriving rugby career.

THE BIG INTERVIEW

JOEL MATAVESI

Let's start by talking about this afternoon's game, Joel. What sort of test are you expecting from Cornish Pirates?

Let's not dress it up, this is a massive game. We were really disappointed with our performance last weekend and we want to put it right back in front of our home supporters. Our recent record at Goldington Road has been good, and we want that to continue.

This fixture is a bit of a weird one really because both teams are historically good at home but then when it comes to facing each other, we've beat them the last few times down at The Mennaye and they've beat us here at Goldington Road.

Pirates have picked up a bit of form so we're expecting an altogether different test on Saturday in comparison to the game back in September. The team under Gavin Cattle and Alan Paver are always built on a strong set piece, solid defence so we'll know what to expect on that front.

In years gone by, we'd have probably lost down in Cornwall but this season, we're turning those close ones into victories for the most part and the table reflects it. We don't mind getting down to the nitty gritty stuff which is maybe unlike Bedford but good that we can showcase different styles to our game.

Being back at home in league action for the first time in two months must be pleasing. How important is it to get back to winning ways as soon as possible?

We speak regarding every game here at Goldington Road about how do we get the crowd quickly into the game. The Premiership Rugby Cup was great, good to play different teams, but the break from league action has been so long and it has killed us a bit.

We're still second after last weekend's game, so still in a great position to finish strongly through this final block, but certainly the key thing for us is to get back to winning ways as soon as possible and hopefully that's today.

When you're in the form that we were in before the break, you never want to stop playing. Mentally it was probably good to have that break but you could see how things didn't quite flow like they had been previously last weekend and that's on us, we won't hide away from it.

/// We speak regarding every game here at Goldington Road about how do we get the crowd quickly into the game... ///





Obviously frustrating for you with the injury sustained last week, but hopefully not too long in terms of a spell on the sidelines. How's the first week of recovery getting on?

Of course it's frustrating when you're injured but it's been about how you can best impact on the team heading into today's game, whether that's trying your best to boost morale, or try to get involved in helping at training where you can.

Nobody wants to be injured but you just have to make the most of it. Hopefully I've still managed to play my part in the preparation for this game, and I'll try to replicate that for however long I'm unavailable for selection as well.

Also keeping you busy at the moment is your work with Bedford Blues Foundation. How inspiring are you finding that, trying to make a positive impact across Bedfordshire?

It's been challenging since taking the role, but I've absolutely loved it. Stepping away from full time rugby and coming into this side of things has been eye opening but extremely rewarding.

A lot of my role revolves around mentoring so some of the students we have come to us may be a little disengaged from school, so we try and find ways and resources to get them thriving back in an educational environment.

Rugby has some great values which tie into what we do at the Foundation and hopefully we can see the impact that's having on the schooling system within the county. The club and the Foundation are so entwined that it makes my time very fulfilling. It fits perfectly for me.



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FORMER BLUES PLAYERS

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

by Marie Davies



JOE ATKINSON

Back Row

2019-22. 53 appearances. Five tries

When Rich Lane joined Bristol Bears, Joe was made captain for the final two league games and the Championship Cup campaign, which was played at the end of the 2021-22 season.

Joe's rugby career

Joe was capped by England at age group and student level. Having started his rugby career for Loughborough University Students, who were in National One, Joe joined Cornish Pirates in 2013 for three seasons, making 67 appearances, before heading to Richmond to play for London Scottish in 2016. He made 50 appearances, scoring 11 tries and in his first season was named Players' Player of the Season. Before joining Wasps in 2018, Joe had built a reputation as one of the Championship's best openside flankers, so we were very happy to welcome him to Goldington Road in 2019.

Joe writes

I was born in Winchester and I watched a lot of rugby when I was growing up because my Dad used to play for the local club. I would always watch the games and be drawn into the atmosphere. I was lucky enough to watch the rise of England's 'infamous' 2003 squad, so obviously Jonny Wilkinson was a stand-out inspiration.

I went to Churcher's College where I played at Number 8 and sometimes in the centre. I played and enjoyed other sports as well, especially cricket and hockey.

I went straight from school to Loughborough University and played in National League 1 and 2 plus the BUCS set-up (British Universities and Colleges Sport-rugby). I have great memories of when we were promoted from National 2 North to National 1 with five games still to go in the season.



JOE IN ACTION



JOE'S FINAL GAME AT GOLDINGTON ROAD



2021-22 TEAM PHOTO

From Loughborough, I went to play for Cornish Pirates, London Scottish, and Wasps. When I am asked how I came to play for Bedford I always say how much I enjoyed playing against Bedford when I was at London Scottish and Pirates, so when I left Wasps, Bedford was the first club I looked at. Also, when I was at London Scottish, I played a season with Bedford's legendary Jake Sharp when he was a player/coach there. He was back coaching at Bedford so I got in contact with him and asked him to put in a good word for me with Mike. The rest, as they say, is history. I had three very enjoyable seasons at Goldington Road even though my time there was interrupted by COVID. In the 2019/20 season, we were having quite a tough time. There were plenty of 'close shave' games and games that got away from us. We lost a few consecutive games by a couple of points, but then we came back from three tries down against London Scottish to win and that turned our campaign around until it was rudely interrupted by COVID. We had some cracking derby games that even if they weren't the prettiest, were certainly packed with intensity and passion.

I always got a warm reception when we headed back down to Pirates. Although I am not sure about the Mennaye being a favourite 'away' ground! As a Pirates player, we always used to say that visiting teams, 'Don't like it down the Mennaye', probably because of the 6+ hour coach journey!

I managed to come up to Bedford for Tappers' Testimonial last year, so I got to catch up with a lot of old faces, which was great. Hopefully, Deano's testimonial won't be far off now and I can come up to Bedford again - cough, cough'.

There were many social highlights during my time at the Blues. I enjoyed the team bonding trips, especially Barcelona. The Spanish stories were folklore among the lads for a couple of years! Even the boys who weren't at the club at the time felt like they had been there, which was down to the amount it was spoken about. Also, the pre-season 'camp out' along the River Ouse, with kayaking, campfires and singing was very memorable.

I decided to retire from playing at the end of the 2022 season and concentrate on my family farming career. I am working on my farm in the South Downs National Park where we have livestock, arable and contracting enterprises. My wife Sof and I now have two boys, Maxwell and Eli. They are growing up as feral farm kids! The only rugby I play now is for charity games and testimonials. I need a new leisure activity! I'm thinking... Padel!

I am so pleased to see Bedford's impressive position in the Championship and wish the team good luck for the rest of the season.

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WHEN WE WERE YOUNG

Blues players reminisce about their childhoods...

From early memories to advice given, nicknames to first replica kit worn, we delve a bit deeper to find out more...

JAMIE ELLIOTT



Best childhood memory

My older brother teaching me how to talk to people at summer camp. His easy laugh and calm confidence showed me how to listen, ask the right questions, and make someone feel seen.

Nicknames

None. They often define us in unforgettable ways.

Favourite lesson in school

Art – we're all just looking for something real.

Best piece of advice received

Stop saying sorry all the time.

First sporting icon

Stefan Janoski.

First sports jersey someone bought you

A Bedford Blues one! It's a jersey that reminds me of where I came from, and also where I'm going.

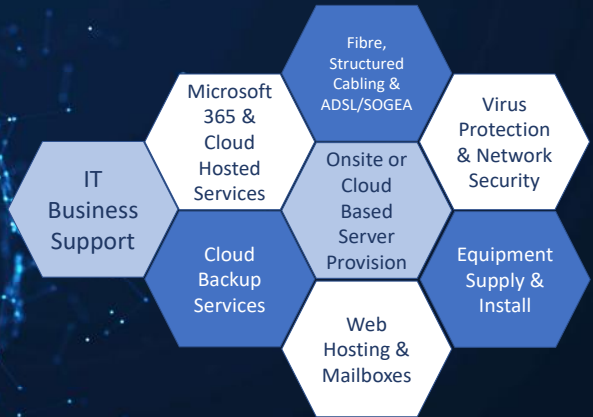
I wish I was there

The invention of the internet or when the first meme was made – that's the moment humanity realised it could waste time in the most creative ways possible.

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MATCH REPORT

ACTION
REPLAY

V HARTPURY UNIVERSITY

22 Mar 2025 | The 4ED Hartpury Stadium

L 29-26

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BEDFORD BLUES

T Heffernan, Matavesi, James,
Titherington
C Maisey (3)
P



HARTPURY UNIVERSITY

T Austin (2), Davies, Holliday
C Bazalgette (3)
P Bazalgette



It was a disappointing return to Championship action as an off-colour Bedford Blues fell to defeat against fellow top four contenders, Hartpury University.

A game where Blues made too many errors to warrant a victory, it's not always a bad thing if you can pick up two points on your off days – clinging onto second place in the table ahead of this afternoon's contest.

Mike Rayer's men put some nice passages of play together for their tries, but they were too far and between and ultimately Hartpury's early 15 point advantage proved too much to overcome.

No time to dwell but ample opportunity to put things right with fixtures coming thick and fast to conclude the 2024/25 season.



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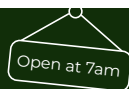
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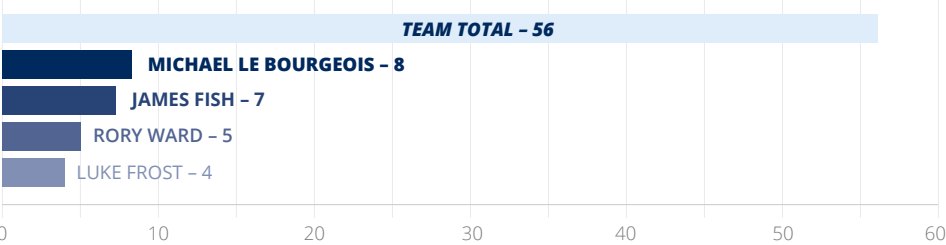
It was a tough return to Championship Rugby for Bedford Blues as they struggled to get any sort of ascendancy in the contest when falling to a disappointing defeat against Hartpury University.

An afternoon to forget for Mike Rayer's side who were dominated in pretty much every facet of the game, but to get two points when things aren't going so well isn't exactly the worst haul to keep above water in the race for the Top Four.

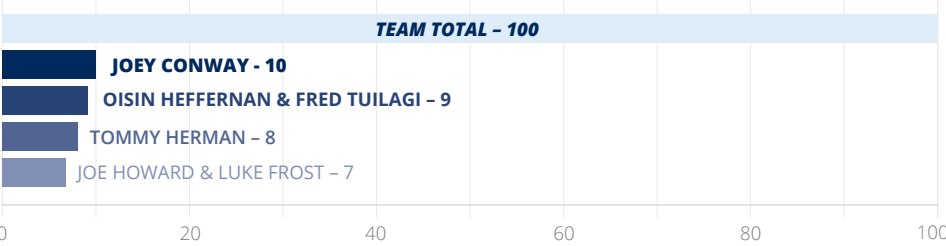


Here's what we learned last time out at The 4ED Hartpury Stadium...

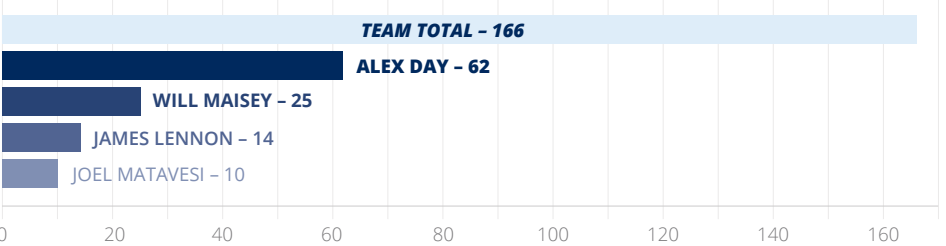
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2024/25 SEASON FIXTURES, RESULTS & TABLES

FIXTURES

Championship & Cup

OPPONENT RESULT

Caldy	H	CHAMP	W	45-19
SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2024				
Coventry	A	CHAMP	L	7-45
SATURDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2024				
Hartpury Uni	H	CHAMP	W	35-32
SATURDAY 5 OCTOBER 2024				
Cornish Pirates	A	CHAMP	W	28-24
SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER 2024				
Doncaster Knights	H	CHAMP	W	34-18
SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER 2024				
Bristol Bears	A	CUP	L	19-67
SATURDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2024				
Amphill	H	CUP	W	26-6
FRIDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2024				
Bath	H	CUP	L	7-21
SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2024				
Nottingham	A	CHAMP	W	17-10
FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2024				
Ealing Trailfinders	H	CHAMP	L	17-25
SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER 2024				
London Scottish	A	CHAMP	W	22-20
SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER 2024				
Chinnor	A	CHAMP	L	5-18
SATURDAY 21 DECEMBER 2024				
Cambridge	H	CHAMP	W	50-7
SATURDAY 28 DECEMBER 2024				
Amphill	H	CHAMP	W	45-24
SATURDAY 18 JANUARY 2025				
Coventry	H	CHAMP	W	27-23
FRIDAY 24 JANUARY 2025				
Bath	A	CUP	L	26-43
SUNDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2025				
Bristol Bears	H	CUP	W	23-14
FRIDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2025				
Amphill	A	CUP	W	21-7
SATURDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2025				
Hartpury Uni	A	CHAMP	L	26-29
SATURDAY 22 MARCH 2025				
Cornish Pirates	H	CHAMP		
SATURDAY 29 MARCH 2025				
Doncaster Knights	A	CHAMP		
SATURDAY 5 APRIL 2025				
Nottingham	H	CHAMP		
SATURDAY 12 APRIL 2025				
Ealing Trailfinders	A	CHAMP		
SATURDAY 19 APRIL 2025				
London Scottish	H	CHAMP		
SATURDAY 3 MAY 2025				
Amphill	A	CHAMP		
SATURDAY 10 MAY 2025				
Cambridge	A	CHAMP		
SATURDAY 17 MAY 2025				
Chinnor	H	CHAMP		
SATURDAY 24 MAY 2025				
Caldy	A	CHAMP		
SATURDAY 31 MAY 2025				

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2024/25 CHAMPIONSHIP

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Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/	BP	PTS
1 Ealing Trailfinders	13	11	0	2	650	262	388	13	57
2 Bedford Blues	13	9	0	4	358	294	64	9	45
3 Coventry	13	9	0	4	367	313	54	8	44
4 Hartpury University	13	8	0	5	373	342	31	10	42
5 Nottingham	13	7	0	6	372	278	94	10	38
6 Cornish Pirates	13	7	0	6	324	340	-16	9	37
7 Doncaster Knights	13	6	0	7	313	303	10	7	31
8 London Scottish	13	5	0	8	320	358	-38	9	29
9 Amphill	13	5	0	8	300	442	-142	9	29
10 Chinnor	13	5	0	8	279	295	-16	6	26
11 Caldý	13	3	0	10	255	374	-119	7	19
12 Cambridge	13	3	0	10	248	558	-310	5	17

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	TRIES		KICKS			TOTAL
	C	P	Dg			
Alex Day	2					10
Alex Woolford						
Alfie Garside	3					15
Cameron King						
Dean Adamson	10					50
Fred Tuilagi	3					15
Jac Arthur						
James Fish	1					5
James Lennon	1					5
Jamie Elliott						
Jamie Jack						
Joe Howard	5					25
Joel Matavesi	4					20
Joey Conway	4					20
Louis James	5					25
Lucas Titherington	4					20
Luke Frost	1					5
Matt Worley	6					30
Michael Le Bourgeois	2					10
Oisín Heffernan	3					15
Pat Tapley						
Rory Ward						
Shay Kerry						
Tommy Herman	5					25
Will Maisey	3	53	9			148
Archie Benson						
Henry Nanka-Bruce						
Jake Garside						
Kieran Perkins						
Nathan Langdon	1					5
Reuben Logan						
Toby Cousins	1					5
Will Glister						
Craig Wright	1					5
John Stewart	1					5
Ed Prowse	1					5
George Smith	1					5
Austin Hay						
Charlie Ulcoq						
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CORNISH PIRATES

15	Louis James	FULL BACK	Will Trewin	15
14	Matt Worley	RIGHT WING	Arthur Relton	14
13	Lucas Titherington	OUTSIDE CENTRE	Charlie McCaig	13
12	Michael Le Bourgeois (Capt)	INSIDE CENTRE	Chester Ribbons	12
11	Dean Adamson	LEFT WING	Matt McNab	11
10	Will Maisey	FLY HALF	Bruce Houston	10
9	James Lennon	SCRUM HALF	Dan Hiscocks	9
1	Jamie Jack	LOOSE HEAD PROP	Oisin Michel	1
2	James Fish	HOOKER	Sol Moody	2
3	Oisin Heffernan	TIGHT HEAD PROP	James French	3
4	Ed Prowse	SECOND ROW	Alfie Bell	4
5	Alex Woolford	SECOND ROW	Josh King	5
6	Archie Benson	BLINDSIDE FLANKER	Matt Cannon	6
7	Joe Howard	OPENSIDE FLANKER	(Capt) Alex Everett	7
8	Fred Tuilagi	NO 8	Tomiwa Agbongbon	8

REPLACEMENTS

- 16 Tommy Herman
- 17 Joey Conway
- 18 Beltus Nonleh
- 19 Rory Ward
- 20 Luke Frost
- 21 Alex Day
- 22 Alfie Garside
- 23 Jake Garside

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- 5th Ben Minney

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