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The Official Newsletter of COVENTRY RUGBY SUPPORTERS' CLUB Issue 8 May 2019

Honorary Members: Harry Walker (1915-2018) & Ted Wainwright



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First season back in the Greene King IPA Championship. Thoughts?

From my perspective, firstly as a supporter, I must be very satisfied. The early home successes against Jersey Reds and Bedford Blues, to my mind, gave us an impetus that was vital in getting our season up and running. To have started with losses would have jolted the confidence somewhat.

Away it was an altogether different story. Disappointing defeats at Hartpury and Richmond summed up the feelings, poor displays, poor returns. As a travelling supporter you travel in hope and want that hope fulfilled. The season started to get longer, and longer as away defeat followed away defeat. The 15-all at Nottingham surely provided a dash of hope, hope sadly unfulfilled until the final two away jaunts, Doncaster and Jersey.

The joy at the end of the Castle Park win, shared equally by players and fans, was only bettered at The Santander International ground where, COVENTREE, COVENTREE could be heard most of the game, but especially at the game's last knockings as Cov pressed and pressed for a famous win. NO, make that, FAMOUS AWAY WIN!

On the Coventry Rugby Supporters Club front, there is still positivity and initiatives aplenty. The Loyalty Scheme, one-pound credit per each away fixture

travelled is, I am delighted to say, being repeated for the last away fixture of 2019 – 2020. Speak to any CRSC Committee member to find out more.

Our stated aim of running a coach to every away fixture was, I am glad to say, met, including the 'ghost coach' to Pirates. Our only loss-maker of the past season.

I would also like to say a massive thank you's to the hard-working CRSC Committee, Jeanette Wilson, Phil Reynold, Steve Hood, Peter Redhead, Geoff Kennedy, Rich Cunningham and, a special thanks to our hard-working and club liaison officer, Quent Melhuish. All contribute to the CRSC efforts, voluntary efforts and supporters all. Thank you.

CRSC have just announced a major new initiative on the playing side by agreeing to sponsor the Under 18's for the next two seasons, details of which will be presented at forthcoming AGM on July 4th. Finally, enjoy your summer, climb aboard the Coventry Rugby train and enjoy the ride!

As I said last year, CRSC is your vehicle, if you feel you could provide a boost with new ideas and initiatives, then get in touch.

Yours in Blue and White

Paul Ingleston (Chairman)

PHIL & SAM'S BIG NIGHT OUT

With the news that Sam Tuitupou and Phil Nilsen were retiring from the game, two long-serving members of the game, both characters in their own right, a Retirement Dinner was sure to be a special event. And, so it proved.

The night was a success from start to finish. Guests assembled from 7.00pm in the BPA Sharpe End and looked forward to the event. News that the menu was a mixture of South Pacific food and Lancashire fare, the former cooked by members of the Coventry squad, Dan Faleafa, David Halifanoua, Don Brighthouse to name a few raised the interest level a few notches.

Pre-starter speeches, with Brett Daynes, MC for the night, opened with Phil Nilsen's pre-Lancashire Leek and Potato Soup, video inserts from Stuart Lancaster, Kevin Sinfield and Jonah Holmes amongst others getting the evening moving.

Ahead of the afore-mentioned Traditional Tongan Umu, Lamb, Pork, Cassava – literally slow cooked underground! – served with a Tongan Lu, ex-All Black Sam was praised by some of his former teammates, Dan Carter and Joe Rocokoco, with Sir Graham Henry also chipping in with some kind words and praise.

Dan Leo spoke warmly of Sam as a player and a friend.

Both Phil and Sam were presented with memento gifts from Coventry Chairman, Jon Sharpe, with both retirees presenting gifts and flowers to their respective loved ones, April and Liz.

Dessert was sampled, Lancashire Eccles Cake and Custard, prior to a traditional South Sea Island send off, Samoan, Tonga and Fijian guests. Loud and noisy, boisterous but infectious.

A wonderful way to end the evening, an evening of fun, laughter and, most of all, respect to these worthy names to have worn a Coventry shirt.

Thank you, Gentlemen.



COVENTRY RUGBY LINKS WITH DRESDEN

During a visit to Coventry in March 2018 of a delegation of officials from the city of Dresden, an invitation to Cardinal Newman College to bring 30 students on a visit to that city, was issued by its Mayor. Cardinal Newman was invited on the basis of its long-standing commitment to peace and reconciliation.

11 months later, on dates commemorating the 60th anniversary of the twinning of Coventry and Dresden, and 74 years since the blitz on Dresden, our party arrived in our host city. Also arriving in Dresden was an official party from Coventry led by our Lord Mayor and long standing Cov. supporter Cllr. John Blundell and the Lady Mayoress.

We discovered a city which has a sprawling population of over 550,000 citizens, located on the river Elbe, reconstructed to how it looked pre WW2 (mostly). Bearing in mind that this once beautiful and peaceful city had been ravaged by the atrocities of war, followed by 45 years under Soviet regimes - only to be unexpectedly informed in 1990 that the Soviets were gone and Germany was to unite - quite a lot for many of its citizens to take in. Our hosts were very welcoming, peace and harmony was evident from the outset and to add to the joy of the visit, our local contact had arranged for me to meet an official from Dresden Rugby and Cricket club - yes both sports under one banner

Dresden Rugby was founded in 2000 some distance from the main city and moved to the city owned artificial pitches in 2006. They play in the second division of the Bundesliga East. The second tier is divided into 4 regions roughly North, South, East and West. Promotion to the premier division...



COVENTRY RUGBY LINKS WITH DRESDEN cont...

comes as a result of a series of playoff matches (no ringfencing)

They run a men's 15, ladies 15, youth teams, underage teams as well as both men's and ladies 7s teams. They don't have a club house, but use offices and changing facilities located at the pitches. Season begins in September ending in late May with a mid-season break of a couple of months (Jan/Feb). They train twice weekly under floodlights and sometimes struggle to get a team together due to low player numbers, work commitments and injuries.



I met with Sebastian Strodel who is first team player/coach and presented him with a Coventry Rugby plaque and with the assistance of Luke Nicholson from Cardinal Newman, who plays for Earlsdon Colts and Wawickshire, he was also presented with our supporters' club pennant as well as a pin.

Enthusiasm for rugby football was evident from the enjoyable discussion which both Luke and I had with Sebastian. His knowledge of the game and keenness to learn coaching techniques and practices as well as playing tactics. The TV and media coverage of 6 nations and European cup games is very poor - so they all meet in an "Irish bar" to

view big games. Following games from the French championships are more accessible. The sport is growing gradually in Germany, but funding is poor. Players pay subs on a weekly basis to enjoy participating in their sport.

Coventry Rugby pins were also presented to the Mayor of Dresden and the Lord Mayor of Coventry and also to the children of the host school. The deputy head presented with a pin, which she was proud to wear for the duration of our trip.

Perhaps there is some way in which we at Coventry Rugby can help the sport to grow within the enthusiastic rugby community in Dresden. It could only benefit them in helping with the continued growth of the sport as well as fostering further the existing links between Coventry and Dresden.

Geoff Kennedy



UNDER 18s & PROJECT 500

The Supporters' Club reached agreement with Coventry Rugby to become a partner and main shirt sponsor for the Under 18's. The agreement is initially for a two-year period and the Supporters' Club will be actively promoting the u18's fixtures to members throughout the next 2 seasons. Furthermore, entry to all u18 home fixtures will be free to all Supporters' Club members. Full details of the agreement will be communicated at the AGM.

Also, we have also been working closely with Coventry Rugby & Skins who will be the kit supplier on the proposed kit design for both home and away fixtures. The playing kit for the u18's is as shown and we hope you like it.

The CRSC 'Tusker' logo will appear on the shirt sleeves and being as Project 500 is something we are actively supporting the Project 500 logo appears on the back of the shirts at our request.

Project 500 is a unique social inclusion initiative by Coventry Rugby that will use rugby to bring positivity and hope to many children in the city who are living below the poverty line. Full details of the project can be found on both the Supporters' Club & Coventry Rugby websites.

The Supporters' Club Committee fully support this initiative and recognises that some members may wish to contribute but cannot afford a payment of £200. Therefore, the Committee invites those members who are interested to make a personal donation of any amount of their choosing, minimum donation of £5, to the Supporters' Club. We will then roll up all of the monies donated and pass them onto Coventry Rugby. By adopting this approach we hope that we can support several more children on the Project 500 initiative over and above the pledged donations already made from Supporters' Club Committee Members.

If you have any questions please E-Mail the Supporters' Club..

In the first instance donations can be made via Bacs (internet banking) to:-

Coventry Rugby Supporters' Club

Lloyds Bank

Sort Code - **30 99 15**

Account Number - **27006060**

Reference - **Project 500**



PIN BADGES & PENNANTS



We have the following items available for supporters to purchase.

The pin badges are limited edition and when they're gone, they're gone, priced at just £3 each.

The CRSC Pennants are £10 each, availability of which is not currently limited.

To purchase either, or both of these items, please contact the Supporters' Club via E-Mail to

CRSC1874@gmail.com, or visit us at the Supporters' Club stand which is open on home match days in the Jon Sharp suite between 12.15pm – 2.30pm.



BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS

One of the Supporters' Club objectives is 'To foster good relations between rugby supporters and other clubs'.

Throughout this season, our first back in the Championship we have been working hard to develop relationships with the other Championship Clubs. On our away trip to Bedford, in a game those



who attended will never forget, the CRSC Chairman – Paul Ingleston handed over the CRSC pennant to Bedford Rugby Followers Association Chairman – Jackie Markham. Needless to say, they had much to talk about after the game.

THE VIEW FROM THE SHED



The Overview

Since the Jersey Red Taytows last visit, it has been one hell of a rollercoaster ride: disappointing results at Hartpury and Richmond, a last minute home loss against London Irish, an awesome draw at Nottingham and a Pirates scalp. We cannot forget Bedford...

The match, itself, was highly entertaining, as the Coventry Chorus of Harmonious Boom Sound (CCoHBS) almost blasted our Blue Boys to a win.

“They’re All Loanees!”

There was great anticipation on entering the Butts, to watch the Hartpury match. Okay, our Boys managed to ‘give away’ a win, but on home turf...it would be different.

“They’re all Loanees!” was the general chit-chat around the ground. Surely it was not referred to Coventry?! Actually, it was to Hartpury. So what? We are Coventry! We can beat these ‘ringers’! The chances were they would not be in sync with each other and not play as a team.

Zig Zag Boom

The Boys were cheered on to the pitch, with great reverence and expectation. There was much practise throat clearing in the Cowshed, getting ready to be the 16th man and to create yet another boom sound. The officials, in sporting sherbet lemon attire, started the match.

Tentative beginnings saw Coventry lock horns with Hartpury. Eventually a Coventry move (from the Cowshed, to the Stand, to the Cowshed) resulted in a try for Knoxy in the Butt Road End. Huzzah!!!

False Expectations

It was a good quarter of an hour, when Coventry scored. The Cowshed was expecting more to follow. Coventry pushed towards the Harpies 22 on many occasions, but there was something missing...a killer finishing touch. With Coventry 7-3 up, the players looked like they were behind. Many weren’t facing the ball, which gave the Harpies (on their penalties) opportunities to burst through the Coventry defence line. Many had their heads down. It seemed like they just did not want to be on the pitch. The worst thing, observed from the Cowshed, was that the players were not talking to each other or geeing themselves up! There was nothing to cheer for, especially when the Harpies almost broke through Coventry’s back line on a couple of occasions. They even had their own clone of our Stokesy (man bun included). Coventry did show some moments of genius, but that was very rare. The crowd slowly became disinterested, focusing on the Scotland vs Ireland score instead.

Shadow tackling

Harpies soon got a try in the second half, which was subsequently converted. Now Coventry, behind 7-10, carried on to play in short bursts. The finishing touch continued to fail them. With respect to their play, they preserved. Maisey, unflustered as always, kicked to level the scores.

A Game of One Quarter

Replacements were made. Were they made too late by Mr Winter, with 20 minutes to go? Then...WOW...the match dynamic changed. The players got a new belief. The players were communicating more positively with each other. Peter ‘Pocket’ White was like a terrier, hounding the opposition and barking instruction to the Blue Boys to push forwards. The crowd awoke. Harmonious sounds started to engulf the Arena. “Coventry!” “COVentry!” “COVENTRY!” “HEAVE!” “HEAVE!” “HEAVE!” WE SCORE!!!! Correction...Russell scored the try. What a great happy relief. 17-10!!

Coventry were on a roll...after a disciplined controlled passing phase, from the Stand to the Cowshed side, saw Bulumakau soar over the line to score a try in the Railway End. The play was poetry in motion. The crowd went to a hush, as Maisey prepped to convert. The Cowshed whisper ‘TRAIN’, as it passed by the Arena...which Maisey ignored and successfully converted. HUZZAH!!! 24-10!!! I’m sure Gitto would have been happy with that.

The Harpies did manage to get a losing bonus, right at the end. But the result was not in doubt. Naturally, Mr Winter’s timing and tactics were played out to perfection.

END OF SEASON AWARDS

This is an event well worth attending, so if you have ever thought about it make sure you put it in your diary for next season, you will not be disappointed.

The event is always fun filled and gives everyone a chance to appreciate and applaud the winning recipients in a formal manner and indeed not just the winners but all the players, backroom staff and management team.

There was some confusion this year regarding the event being a formal Black Tie affair, scary stuff, but it was realised that this had not been communicated effectively (say no more), so there was a mixture of dress suits and smart informal wear and then me with Jeans on, once a rocker always a rocker!

All the players and Management team were dressed appropriately in their penguin suits.

The format for the evening is a 7pm arrival for drinks and a 7.30pm sit down for dinner. What is so special regarding the seating arrangements is that you have two players seated at each table.

On our table we were very fortunate to have George Oram and Scott Russell, both very entertaining characters and George being somewhat unrecognisable with a shaved head and a missing beard, he did state however that he would start growing both again once the new season gets underway. What we did not know at the time was that both would go on to receive awards later in the evening.

The proceedings were opened with a few words and welcome from Jon Sharp and then the food was served, I must say that at all the events at the BPA which I attend the food is always of a very high standard and Chefs Kitchen should be complemented on this.

In between courses the awards started and were as follows:

- **Top try scorer of the Season – Max Trimble, Presented by Peter Rossborough**
- **Young player of the Season – Scott Russell, Presented by Louis Deacon**
- **Centurion award – Will Maisey, presented by Tony Gulliver (Gully played an astonishing 381 times for Coventry)**
- **Clubman of the Season – Eric Richardson, presented by Rowland Winter**
- **Coaches player of the Season – Tony Fenner, presented by Nick Walshe**



END OF SEASON AWARDS cont...



- Supporters player of the Season – George Oram, presented by Paul Ingleston
- Players player of the year – Jack Ram, presented by Phil Boulton

All the departing players and staff were kindly thanked by Jon Sharp.

Following dinner and with a few drinks inside the event becomes a really sociable affair with the players and staff mingling with the guests and

a great chance for photo opportunities and although unlike last Season there was no Trophy on display, it was generally agreed that Cov had established themselves very well in their first Championship season for many years.

The general consensus being that this was just the warm up for seasons to come and I for one cannot wait and maybe next year I will invest in my own penguin suit!

Phil Reynolds

PHOTOGRAPHS

With so many supporters travelling to away games and for those attending the home games we invite members to send any photographs they take on their phones either before, during, or after the game that we can post onto the CRSC website. Please send your photos to crsc1874@gmail.com

SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Any suggestions as to how we can improve the Supporters' Club are always welcome, and should be made via our email address - crsc1874@gmail.com or via a committee member. Similarly, any suggestions as to how the match day experience can be enhanced by Coventry Rugby will be welcomed. We will add those suggestions to the agenda at our regular meetings at BPA.



WHO IS THIS COVENTRY GREAT?



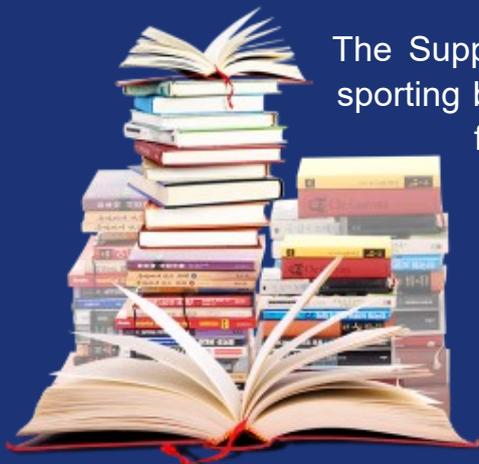
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LIBRARY



The Supporters' Club has created a library of rugby and sporting books which are available for members to borrow free of charge. A list of the titles available can be found at the back of this newsletter. If you would like to borrow any of these books, or, have any books you would like to donate, please contact the Supporters' Club via E-Mail to crsc1874@gmail.com

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

Coventry Great Answer:

David Duckham – Centre, Wing

Date of Birth: 28 June 1946

Place of Birth: Wigan, England

Clubs: Coventry R.F.C.

International: England (36 caps)

Coventry Connection: Born, educated and played in Coventry.

Coventry's most capped international with 36 appearances for England either in the centre or on the wing following his debut against Ireland in 1969. Added to that, David travelled to New Zealand in 1971 with the British Lions and played a full part on the tour well remembered for the series victory over the All Blacks.

A captain of the club, David is third on the all-time try-scoring list for Cov with 147. He was a member of the Barbarians side of 1973 that famously defeated the All Blacks at Cardiff, following which in Wales he became known as 'Dai the adopted Welshman'

He was blessed with searing pace and sleight of foot, which pulverised the opposition.

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PARTNERS

We have been very fortunate in agreeing partnerships with local organisations who have agreed to work with us to the benefit of members.



Coventry Plumbing and Heating Supplies (CPHS)

www.covplumbing.co.uk

Coventry's largest independent plumbers merchants have been trading for over 30 years and have showrooms in Swan Lane and Curriers Close, Coventry, and in Weddington Road, Nuneaton.

CPHS have made a significant financial contribution towards the costs of setting up our website, for which we are extremely grateful.



Builders Supply Stores

<http://www.bsscov.co.uk/>

Archways House, Spon End, Coventry CV1 3HG. 02476 712000/412733

Established in 1931 BSS is an independent builders and plumbers merchant.

BSS have agreed to pay 1 1/2 % of the total value of sales purchased by CRSC members into the CRSC bank account each quarter.

They will set up a monitoring system at their sales points and will give the customer, who must show his CRSC membership card, a receipt accordingly.

<http://www.akbarscuisine.com>

Akbars Indian Cuisine, 7-9 Butts, Coventry CV1 3GJ 02476 22213 / 228899



An organisation which has been in business for over 30 years, this is a high quality restaurant serving contemporary Indian Cuisine at its best, as well as Indian tapas. It has modern décor, a bar, a lounge and a terrace.

Upon production of their membership card, Supporters' Club members will benefit from a discount of 15% off their food bill.

Please note: a party of 4 or less receives a 15% discount on their food bill. For parties of more than 4 people the 15% discount is applied to 4 of the party, the additional attendees receive a 7.5% discount on their food bill.

Members are asked to show their CRSC membership card to staff both when they order from the menu AND when they ask for the bill, in order to assist staff in their preparation of the bill.

PARTNERS



We are delighted to have reached a Partnership Agreement with the **Ramada Hotel**, in The Butts (less than 5 minutes walk from BPA) who are offering:

Car parking - supporters can use the Ramada car park on match days for a discounted price of £2.00. On returning to their car at the end of the match supporters will be required to go into reception and produce either:

- a current **Supporters' Club membership card**
- a current **season member ticket**
- a **date-and-game-specific match ticket**



Restaurant dining - upon production of a current Supporter's Club membership card the bill will be subject to a 10% discount

Accommodation - £75.00 for bed and breakfast and £125.00 for dinner bed and breakfast, for a couple sharing either a twin or a double standard room, and subject to availability. To take advantage of this offer supporters must book directly with the hotel either by telephone (02476 238110) or email reservations@ramadacoventry.co.uk since this is a local agreement - the discount cannot be applied to reservations made online - and by quoting "Coventry Rugby". It may be necessary to produce your membership card to the reception staff.

This offer is also being sent to all Championship clubs and to their Supporters Club, for their visit to Coventry next season, in the hope that many supporters' in particular will take advantage and use their weekend stay to explore and appreciate the tourist features which Coventry has to offer. We are also extolling the fact that Coventry will be the City of Culture in 2021.

PURITY BREWERY TOUR

Following the highly successful Purity Brewery Tour in June last year, another tour is being arranged, dates to be advised and will be communicated to members via email.



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We are also delighted to have reached a Partnership Agreement with **Prime (Physiotherapy, Rehabilitation, Injury Management, Expertise)**, who offer a wide range of services from physiotherapy assessment of all musculoskeletal problems to sports massage and injury prevention assessment and advice. You can be sure to get expert management of your aches & pains.

All of this is available in the newly refurbished and upgraded Medical facilities at BPA. Supporters' Club members will also benefit from a 10% discount on their first appointment.

Prime offer a wide range of services from physiotherapy assessment of all musculoskeletal problems to sports massage and injury prevention assessment and advice, you can be sure to get expert management of your aches and pains.

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- 🌀 Whiplash
- 🏥 Post-Op Rehabilitation
- 👤 Joint Problems
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PARTNERS

We are constantly investigating the prospect of setting up more Partnership Agreements with local organisations to provide benefits for members. If you know of any potential opportunity which you think we should explore, please email us via our email address - crsc1874@gmail.com or via a committee member.

SUPPORTERS' CLUB AGM

The Supporters' Club Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday July 4th.

Further details to follow...

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS

For those members who would like to renew their Supporters' Club Membership the CRSC Stand will be open before the pre-season home games, details will be released when the dates of these games are published.

The membership subscriptions have not been subjected to any increase and are as follows:

Joint Membership £30

Adult £20

Juniors (under 18) - free of charge if a parent or guardian is a full member.

Alternatively, membership subscriptions can be paid at anytime up until September 1st via internet banking, details are:

Lloyds Bank

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ARTICLES FOR IN TOUCH

If you wish to submit an article for publishing in In Touch, or you would like to see something included, please make contact via a committee member or our email address – crsc1874@gmail.com

LIBRARY- RUGBY BOOKS

| Title | Author | Description |
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| Odd Shaped Balls | John Scally | Mischief Makers, Miscreants & Mad-Hatters of Rugby |
| The Voice of Rugby | Bill McLaren | Autobiography |
| Lawrence Dallaglio's Rugby Tales | Lawrence Dallaglio | Legendary Stories of Blood Sweat & Beers |
| Rugby's Strangest Matches | John Griffiths | Extraordinary but true stories from over a century of rugby |
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| World Cup Rugby Tales | Lawrence Dallaglio | More stories of blood, sweat & beers |
| Lion Man | Ian McGeechan | Autobiography |
| Nine Lives | Matt Dawson | Autobiography |
| Will | Will Greenwood | Autobiography |
| My Pride of Lions | Fran Cotton | The British Isles Tour of South Africa 1997 |
| Behind the Lions | Steve Jones | Playing Rugby For The British & Irish Lions |
| Rugby's Great Heroes And Entertainers | Bill McLaren | Includes the 2003 World Cup |
| Voices From The Back Of The Bus | Stewart McKinney | Tall Tales & Hoary Stories From Rugby's Real Heroes |
| Rugby Wit | Richard Benson | Quips & Quotes For the Rugby Obsessed |
| Carry Me Home | Ben Cohen | Autobiography |
| Proud | Gareth Thomas | Autobiography |
| It's In The Blood | Lawrence Dallaglio | Autobiography |
| Martin Johnson | Martin Johnson | Autobiography |
| What Goes On Tour Stays on Tour | Brian Moore | Great Tales From My Rugby Travels |
| Winning | Clive Woodward | The Story of England's Rise to Rugby World Cup Glory |
| World Cup 2003 | Team England Rugby | The Official Account of England's World Cup Triumph |

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| My World | Jonny Wilkinson | Autobiography |
| The Trivial History of Rugby | | Self Explanatory |
| The Iron Duke (Bobby Windsor) | | Welsh & a Bit of History |
| The Good, The Bad & The Ugly | | Pontypool RFC |
| World Rugby Records 2016 | | Self Explanatory |
| The Official History of the British & Irish Lions | | Self Explanatory |
| Trinity Guild RFC 1899-1999 | NW Rogers & JM Smith | Self Explanatory |
| The RFU Handbook 1994/95 | | Self Explanatory |
| Blood Sweat and Beers - Trinity Guild RFC from 1898 | John Collings | |
| Classic Rugby Clangers | David Mortimer | An amusing collection of rugby's most embarrassing moments from over a |
| The RFU Handbook 1995/96 | | Self Explanatory |
| Reuters Dream Lions | Bill McLaren | |
| Rugby In Focus | Visual, historical record of the development & | Rugby Union in Pictures |
| The Complete Book Of The Rugby World Cup 1995 | Ian Robertson | |
| Rugby World '00 | Nigel Starmer Smith & Ian Robertson | |
| The Book of English International Rugby 1871 - 1982 | John Griffiths | Self Explanatory |
| Rugby World '99 | Nigel Starmer Smith & Ian Robertson | |
| Heroes All | Ian McGeechan | The Official Book of the Lions in South Africa 1997 |
| Rugby Is A Funny Game | Gordon Brown, Andy Ripley, Fergus Slattery, | To all rugby people who are in danger of taking the game too seriously |
| Great Rugby Heroes | Geoff Tibballs | A history of rugby legends of yesteryear |
| Bedside Rugby | Bill Beaumont | |

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| The Phoenix Book of International Rugby Records | John Griffiths | Self Explanatory |
| ITV Sport's Rugby World Cup '91 | ITV Sport | Self Explanatory |
| Rucking & Rolling | Peter Bills | 60 Years of International Rugby |
| World Rugby Records 2012 | Chris Hawkes | Self Explanatory |
| 60 Years of International Rugby Union | Peter Bills | Self Explanatory |
| All Blacks v Lions | Ron Palenski | Self Explanatory |
| For The Love Of Rugby | Steven Gauge | A Celebration of the Glorious Sport |

LIBRARY- NON RUGBY BOOKS

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| Dickie Bird | Dickie Bird | Autobiography |
| Keith Miller on Cricket | Keith Miller | A Great Player Tells You How To Play Winning Cricket |
| Ashes Victory | | The Official Story Of The Greatest Ever Test Series In The Team's Own Words |
| Ashes Regained The Coaches Story | Duncan Fletcher | Self Explanatory |
| KP | Kevin Pietersen | Autobiography |
| The First FOUR Minutes | Roger Bannister | Self Explanatory |