

ALTON RFC ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER SEASON 2017/18



ALTON R.F.C.

Friday 11th May 2018

2018 Programme

Reception 7.00pm

Welcome 7.30pm

Welcome & Grace.....*Tom Mills, President of Alton RFC*



Starter & Mains



Programme 8.30pm

President's Address.....*Tom Mills, President of Alton RFC*

Colts Coaches' Address.....*A Hamer, Colts Head Coaches*

Colts Awards.....*A Hamer, Colts Head Coaches*

Order of Awards:

Most Improved Colt

Colts Players' Player of the Year

Colts Player of the Year

Paul Cantoni Colts Clubman of the year

1XV Address.....*Adam Baker Club Captain*

Alistair Willman Spirit of rugby

Senior Men's Awards.....*Steve Jenkins Coaching Co-ordinator*

Order of Awards:

Coaches Senior Player of the Year

Player's Player of the Year

2 XV Address.....*Lee Hayes 2XV Manager*

2 XV Player of the Year

Masters Rugby Address.....*Tony Hopkin, Masters Rugby Manager*

Masters Awards.....*Tony Hopkin, Masters Rugby Manager*

Masters Rugby Player of the Year

Club Presentations.....*Tom Mills, President of Alton RFC*

President's Cup

Programme Close 9.30pm



Pudding served



Bar until late

Club History



The RFU handbook lists 1924 as does the Hampshire RFU County History and Centenary Year Programme 1983-1984, however, the Club diary states 1925. The first printed report though appeared in the Alton News section of "The Hants Herald & Alton Gazette, North East Hants Observer". Dated Friday April 16th 1926.

The war years...

Pre-war games were played at Whitedown Lane, changing at the Market Hotel. In those days home teams supplied their own referees,

Alton's for many years was Mr Griffiths. The strip was black jerseys, white shorts and red/black

stockings with a hand embroidered badge. Post-war this badge was changed to include a swan above it. In 1961 it was decided to change to a red jersey, dark blue shorts and black stockings with white tops. These jerseys were obtained from the Gloucester Regiment, by Hugh Winter.



After the war the Club struggled to get started, but was resurrected in 1948 due to the efforts of E.S. Kench, G. Brook and Alan Stoodley. Finding it hard to get players the Club in 1953 was renamed Alton & Farnham.

The Club by 1962 were running 3 senior sides and on 18th Feb 1971 a colts team was formed which would prove to be extremely useful in later years. On 11th Dec 1972 an EGM was called where it was explained that in order to get the councils blessing for a clubhouse, the Club should be known as Alton RFC. This was duly passed and fund raising (which had been going on for several year prior to this meeting) was redoubled and the members built the clubhouse as it stands today; It was officially opened on Sunday 8th September 1974 by W.G. Brock, founder member and a Vice President.

Eighties, Nineties, Present...

The eighties and nineties saw an upsurge in playing strength and results as colts from the successful teams of the late 70's and 80's were fed through. At this stage we had 4 senior teams plus a colts team playing every Saturday. It was during this period that that the Club gained a reputation as cup fighters, the first coming in 1982-1983 when as a Junior Merit team we reached our first Hampshire Cup Final, defeating amongst others Basingstoke at home 8-6 and drawing away to Trojans 6-6.

A further 3 Semi-Finals were contested before we made our first final in 1990-1991, losing to Havant 9-12. Three more finals were to follow all against Basingstoke, the last in 1999-2000, under the captaincy of James Kerr, which saw us defeat both Winchester and Havant 'in their own back yards' on the way.

Our first silverware was at Hants Senior Merit Table winners in 1985-1986. Due to a strong fixture list and good results we were one of the original members of London Div 3 SW when the leagues started in 1987-1988. In that first season we were runners up to Purley. Under the captaincy of Alan Fleetwood we gained promotion the following season to London 2 South, only to be relegated after one season, a further eight seasons were to pass before we were again promoted, this time as outright champions, under the captaincy of Paul Roberts, having not lost a single game all season. Three seasons at London 2 South followed.



More silverware followed in 2004-05 when we won the Gale's Hampshire Bowl, beating Petersfield at Anstey Park in the final.



A decline in fortunes saw us drop out of the London Leagues after 18 years continuous membership. However, under the captaincy of James Gay we gained promotion back into the London Leagues in 2009-2010, with an impressive league record of Won19, Lost 1. We stayed there for two seasons before finding ourselves back in the Hampshire Leagues.

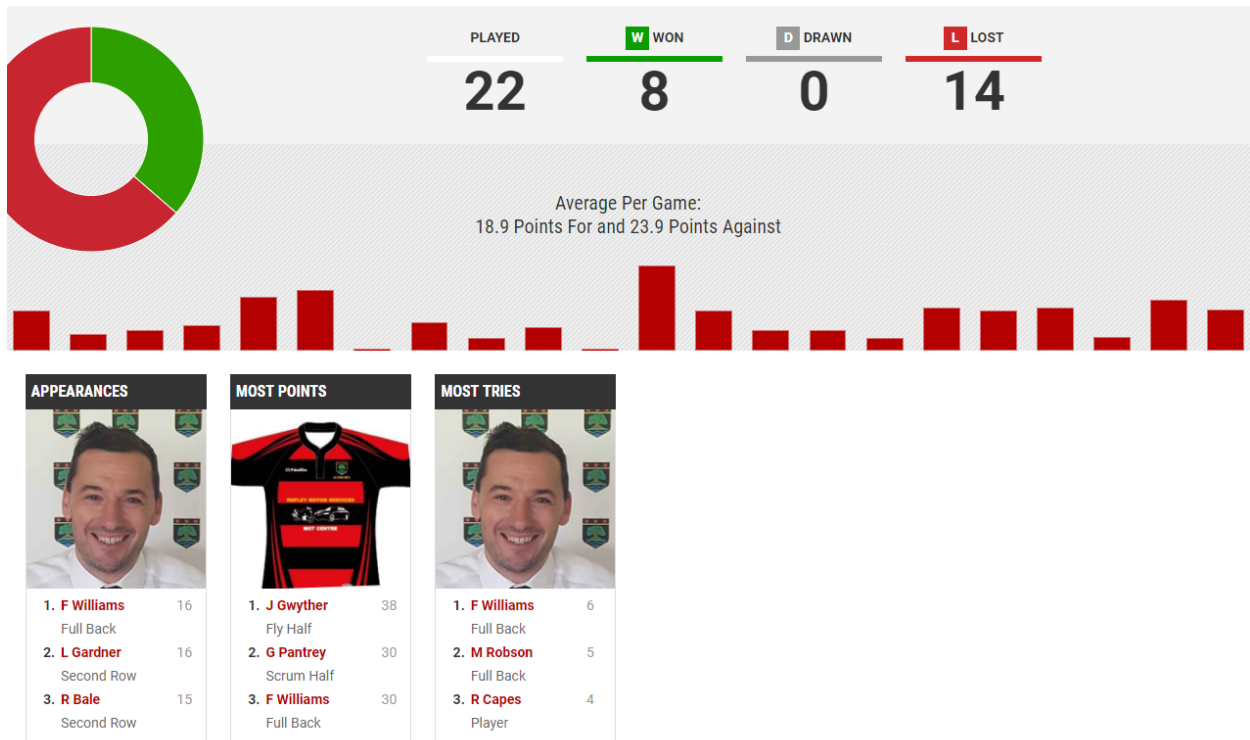
The passion and spirit at Alton still thrive today and our ambition is as it has always been, and that is to bring success to the Club through the enjoyment and promotion of rugby.

Courtesy of Tony Hopkin

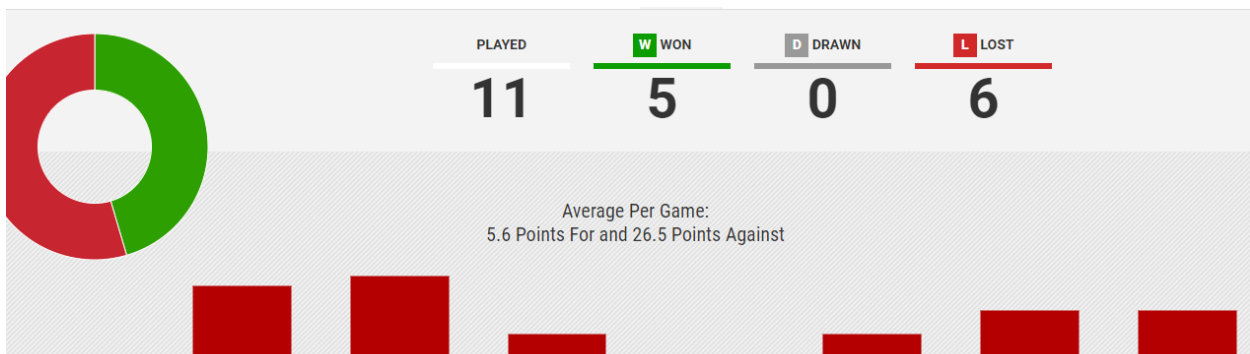
Senior Rugby



1st XV League Results 2017/18



Super 2s XV League Results 2017/18



1st XV League Table

Snows Group Hampshire 2

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#	Team	Pl	HW	HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts	Adj	Recent Form
1.	FARNBOROUGH	16	7	0	1	7	0	1	14	0	2	548	270	278	69	13	W W W W W W
2.	ROMSEY	16	8	0	1	4	1	2	12	1	3	556	296	260	62	11	W W L W
3.	LOCKSHEATH PUMAS	16	7	0	1	5	0	3	12	0	4	385	315	70	56	7	L W W W W W
4.	SOUTHAMPTON	16	3	0	5	5	0	3	8	0	8	394	322	72	43	11	L L L L
5.	FAWLEY	16	4	0	4	3	0	5	7	0	9	359	395	-36	38	10	W W L W L
6.	ALTON	16	2	0	5	4	0	5	6	0	10	306	365	-59	33	9	L W W W L
7.	ALDERSHOT & FLEET	16	3	0	4	2	0	7	5	0	11	300	407	-107	28	8	L L L L
8.	SOUTHSEA NOMADS	16	4	1	3	1	0	7	5	1	10	295	446	-151	26	4	L L L W
9.	CHINEHAM	16	1	0	8	1	0	6	2	0	14	180	507	-327	10	2	W L L L

Super 2s

#	Team	Pl	HW	HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts	Adj	Recent Form
1.	Alton 2nd XV	8	3	0	0	2	0	3	5	0	3	30	122	-92	32	9	L W C W L
2.	Petersfield 3rd XV	7	4	0	0	1	1	1	5	1	1	144	93	51	27	4	W W W
3.	Gosport & Fareham Pirates	6	3	0	0	1	0	2	4	0	2	110	27	83	24	8	W C W
4.	Basingstoke Griffins XV	5	3	1	0	1	0	0	4	1	0	129	22	107	22	4	W W
5.	Chineham 2nd XV	7	2	0	3	0	0	2	2	0	5	7	125	-118	13	2	W L W
6.	Ventnor 2nd XV	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	31	10	21	9	1	W L W
7.	Trojans 3rd XV	6	1	0	1	0	0	4	1	0	5	48	17	31	7	2	L L L L
8.	Ryde	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	23	47	-24	1	0	L L L
9.	Southampton 2nd XV	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	10	69	-59	1	0	L L

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Alton Rugby Football Club

ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER



Friday, May 11th. 2018

MENU



Chicken Satay



Hog Roast



Rita's Special Suprise



A selection of eating Cheeses
with biscuits to put the cheese on



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Masters Rugby



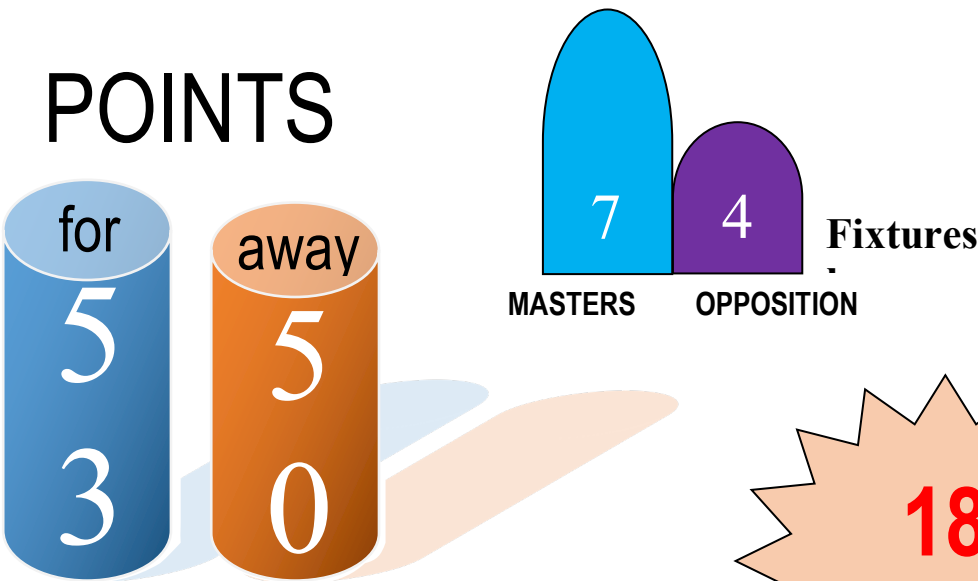
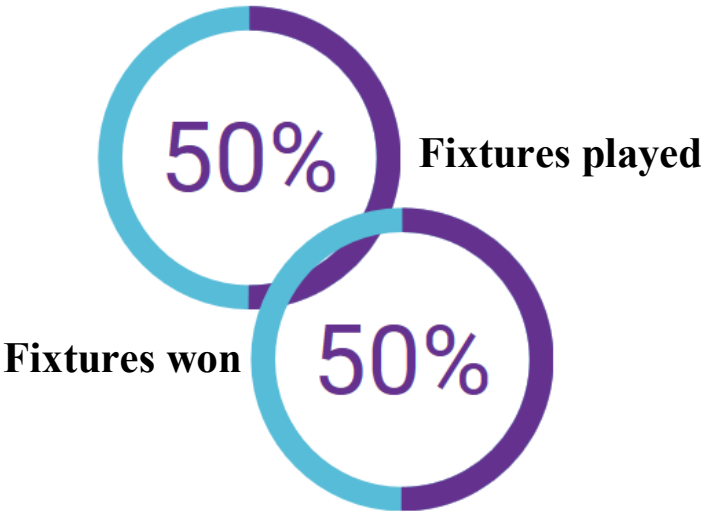
Masters Player	Fixtures Available	Masters Player	Fixtures Available
Jon Crothers	7	Alex Hayward	1
Lee Hayes	6	Andy Cobb	
Stephen Hellier		Ben Chant	
Matthew Chapman	5	Ben Thirlwall	
Paul Watkins		Calum Watkins	
Tony Hopkin		Charlie Stringer	
Bruce Oliphant	4	Danny Martin	
Nick Mills		Darren Furey	
Sam Law		Dave Peters	
Silas Jones		Fran Williams	
Stu Hockley		Jack Renehan	
Ben Bowden	3	Jason Warnes	
Craig Dunn		Kieran Allen	
Darren Ford		Kyle Bale	
Ed White		Mark Duffy	
Kev Wilson		Matt Curtis	
Martyn Jagger		Owen Beswick	
Ric White		Paul Carvosso	
Russ Waterton		Ryan Bale	
Winston Carter	2	Ryan Capes	
Andrew Hayward		Sam Bridger	
Andrew Kefford		Stephen Johns	
Dave Ryan		Steve Carter	
Ian Thorn		Steve Pozerskis	
Jamie McVey		Tom Gaynor	
Kieran Collins			
Olly Cruickshank			
Richard Moss			
Steve Cassidy			
Tom Willings			

The story of the season...

OVER THE PAST YEAR,

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MASTERS PLAYERS
SELECTED



Colts Rugby

"The wildest colts make the best horses." - Plutarch



Hampshire Colts 1

Filter By Season ▼

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1.	Trojans U18M	8	4	0	1	3	0	0	7	0	1	176	90	86	32	3	W
2.	Havant Academy	7	2	0	1	4	0	0	6	0	1	215	90	125	30	5	
3.	Winchester Colts	7	2	0	1	3	0	1	5	0	2	202	72	130	27	5	
4.	Alton Colts	9	2	0	2	2	0	3	4	0	5	147	152	-5	23	2	L W
5.	Basingstoke Colts	7	1	0	4	0	0	2	1	0	6	92	144	-52	10	2	W L
6.	Andover Colts	8	0	0	3	0	0	5	0	0	8	78	362	-284	8	0	L



Pic above: Ollie Burden.....enter Caption here

Another season of highs and lows! After losing Paul last year, it was a huge shock to loose Alan Fleetwood, someone who had delivered a huge amount to the Colts squads over many years, during this season. Many of this seasons Colts combined with returning Colts from previous years remembered Alan with his friends and family in true rugby style.

This season saw Alton Colts cement their credentials in division 1, finishing a solid mid table and offering strong competition to all opponents. 15 wins and 11 loses through the season does not reflect the true picture. Of the 11 loses, 5 of the loses being within 10 points and could have gone either way. A focus for next season to ensure we play for a full 70 minutes every game. Plate winners at the club 7's and drinking winners on Tour in Portugal meant that the season was another great year.

Tour this year was to Lisbon , Portugal. Coach made a huge mistake when asked if we'd like to play a Zimbabwe touring side whilst there after they had been let down by local opposition. The mistake was maybe saying yes. They were on tour to work on S&C and absolute focus on the rugby. Alton's focus was a little more aimed at the social and cultural exchanges. A good experience to play a side of quality focused on the job in hand. I hasten to add that everyone survived all 3 games played whilst there, had a great time and returned home safely.

Finally we finished the season integrating a number of the U16 squad in a mixed age grade game against Andover. A dominant performance by Alton, makes 2018-2019 another Colts year to look forward to. A year where we hope to see a number of this years Colts make a big impact in the senior squads and drive Alton as a club to new highs.



The Beasts from the East (Hampshire)!



Alton RFC 10 cap Honour Ties Season 2017 / 2018

Stoffell	14	Williams	16
Hoxey	13	Gardner	16
Forsyth	12	Bale	15
Askew	12	Napier	14
Williams	12	Stoffel	14
Gregory	11	Dow	13
Gywther	11	Hox	13
Shepherd	11	Bridger	12
Parratt	10	Robson	12

Smethurst 11

Total Caps

16/17 = 106

Thomas 10

Pantry 10

Total Caps 17/18 = 156

New Tie Winners this year

