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**LANCASHIRE RFU
COLTS CUP FINALS**

ECCLES RUFC

SUNDAY 27th APRIL 2025

Lancashire County RFU

2024-2025

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2011, 2013, 2014, 2017,
2018.

Welcome from the President.

As Lancashire President for 2024 – 2025, it gives me great pleasure and pride to welcome you all to todays Colts Finals.

As someone who has played this great game for many, many years, I have continued to be involved both at my own club and within this great county of Lancashire, to enable others to get the same enjoyment from the game that I had.

I would like to welcome you all to todays matches. Players, Match Officials , Coaches and I would especially like to thank the host club Eccles for making these games possible.

We all appreciate how much hard work and organisation goes into hosting fixtures like these, 4 games with 8 clubs involved. We appreciate the work of staff and much valued volunteers.

We are all looking forward to great games played with Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline and Sportsmanship .

Brian Hurst

President

Lancashire County RFU



Frank Morgan



23/01/1941 - 27/02/2023

With the passing of Frank Morgan, Rugby Union has lost a true champion of the game whose tireless efforts benefited North West Rugby over many decades. Frank first played rugby for Wigan Tech before joining Orrell in 1959. In 1969, after 10 years at Orrell, Frank moved to Wigan RUFC, which was to be his club for the next 54 years. By his own admission, Frank was not the most mobile of forwards but together with his best mates John Cotton and John Gee they formed a formidable front row, claiming that across the entirety of their rugby careers, that as a threesome, they had never lost

Frank made his 1st XV debut at Kendal in March 1969 and established himself at the club - a warrior on the pitch and a true gent off. On hanging up his playing boots Frank moved into coaching, with a focus on developing the next generation. With a fine pool of local talent, he helped develop the Wigan Colts. In the 1976/77 season, Frank's Wigan Colts team went on to win the Lancashire Colts Cup. Such was Frank's bond with the lads he coached as young men that they all remained good friends and stayed in contact throughout Frank's life. Frank's coaching achievements were recognised when he was appointed as coach and selector of The Lancashire Colts in the early 1980s.

The 'Frank Morgan' Lancashire Colts Cup - first played for in 1975 (won by Southport). The cost of purchasing the trophy was covered by Barclays Bank in Wigan. Today sees the cup being contested for the 49th time (this is the 51st season) with 16 clubs having won the cup. Orrell currently holds the honours having won it 9 times.

The Halbro North West Colts Leagues - During the 1998/99 season Frank and his Lancashire Colts Committee expressed concerns over the numbers of Youth Players leaving the game at the Colts age-grade. Together, they conceived a plan to introduce League Rugby to Club-based Colts Teams, thereby providing a conduit from Junior Rugby to the Senior game. Frank, with Jon Kitchen, Henry Henderson, Dave Ewing and Rick Stockdale set things moving and the following season (1999/2000) the Lancashire & Cheshire Colts league was formed with 50 sides (composed of 25 junior and 25 senior colts teams) playing in organised leagues. Over the following seasons, the number of teams grew with the league reaching 100 entries for the 2008/09 season.

The structure of the North West Leagues provides organised and regular playing opportunities for Colts sides and has developed into what is regarded by many as the premier Colts competition in the country.



Frank (left) in the changing rooms celebrating having beaten Waterloo 11-6 in the Lancashire Cup in the 1973/74 season.

Frank was always immensely proud of what had been achieved with Colts Rugby in the North West. Throughout his 60 plus years of participation in Rugby, Frank held many positions. Each position and the influence it brought was used by Frank to bring Rugby Union to the fore and to ensure that Colts Rugby had a champion pushing it forward.

- **President of Lancashire 2003-04**
- **Chairman of Wigan RUFC 1991-2012**
- **President of Wigan RUFC 2013**
- **Life President of the North West Colts Leagues - awarded 2003-04**
- **Winner of the Crabbies Rugby Lifetime Achievement award in 2018**

Frank's involvement with Wigan, with the Colts League and the County Colts enabled him to meet and form countless friendships across not only the North West but across the entire country. Frank's son Ian recounts:

"At the Crabbies Awards in 2018, the number of people who came over to say 'good to see you again' was incredible".

Frank in his later years enjoyed watching the M&J section and Colts at Wigan, particularly his grandsons William and Oliver. Frank's advice to his two grandsons was always: "Carry on playing and if you enjoy it all as much as I have you will enjoy life."

A warm and affable man Frank had two passions in life; his family (wife May, son Ian, daughter Julie, and his grandchildren). **And then there was Rugby.**

Frank Morgan U18s Senior Cup

Wigan

Senior Colts XV

Ethan Ashcroft
Zack Barker (VC)
Charlie Berry
Charlie Burrows
Oliver Burrows
Rhys Clayton (C)
Tyler Davis
Riley Dervan
Taylor Doran
Ben Gaskell
Harvey Halley
Taylor Halley
Matty Halton
Joshua Holden
Hanley Liptrot
George Lowe (VC)
Will Metcalfe
Toby Rich
Niall Spruce
Fraser Steele
Owen Threlfall
Harry Waterworth
Noah Wheatley

Coaches

Neil Berry
Jonathan Lowe
Morgan Steele

Managers

Matt Threlfall
Angharad Wheatley

Leigh

Senior Colts XV

Cohen Addi
Saba Asatiani (C)
Josh Atherton
Jack Beardsmore
Lloyd Carpenter
Harrison Cartwright
Reece Galvin
Jack Grainey
Joe Higgins Meadows
Ali Hodkinson
Rory Holiday
Dylan Hughes
Zack Hutchison
Danny Lea
Sam Leyland
Alfie Mculloch
Oliver Mitchell
Wilem Morrow
Colby Partington
Zack Pilkington
Jake Thompson
Lucas Tyrer (VC)
Diego Walker
Michael Walsh

Coaches

Ian Grainey (Head Coach)
Darren Pilkington
Peter Mitchell
Paul Beardsmore

Manager

Paul Smollett

Joe "Mac" McDonough



29/05/1940—16/4/2009

Club: Leigh RUFC

School: Sacred Heart, Leigh
(Catechism & Backpass)

Playing Position: Prop, sadly cut down in his prime at Eccles.

Playing Honours: 132 1st XV appearances for Leigh, Club Colours, Chairmans & Presidents Tankards.

Lancashire Honours /Rolls: Manager/ Selector

Colts Committee 1972-2000

Honours Tie 1996/1997

Joe was an iconic figure in Colts Rugby both at Club & County level. For many seasons, an opponent, colleague, collaborator and most importantly friend of Frank Morgan.

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Joe McDonough U18s Senior Trophy

Fylde Senior Colts XV

Archie Blackburn
Ted Brown
Ethan Brown
Theo Craven
Toby Curran (VC)
Sam Curran
Alex Davies
Sam Evans
Leo Frend
Freddie Graham (C)
Vinnie Graham
Jasper Johnson
Sam Lord
Stan Matthews
Harry Marsh
Lucas McCarthy
Tommy McGuirk
Corey Morgan
Max Musson
Jack Palmer
Jake Rae
Finn Reynolds
James Ryan
Oliver Shackleton
Alex Smith
Alfie Stockton
Elliott Swann
Jasper Sykes
Ted Thompson
Felix Twitchett
Jack Wilsdon
Will Wyles

Coach
David Graham

Manager
Ben Curran

Preston Grasshoppers Senior Colts XV

George Airey
George Bottomley (VC)
Oliver Buckley - Bamford
Will Burn
Hector Draper
Jacob Fisher
Harry Gallery
George Hainsworth
Isaac Heritage
Finn Hurley
Dylan Jackson
Sam Judge
Taran Mathauda
Charlie Medcalf
Oliver Mosses
Josh Newton
George Noblett (C)
Will Nodder
Will Prior
Josh Ribchester
Jim Robinson
Cam Scott
James Shuttleworth
James Singleton
Zane Spree
Harry Steel
Oliver Swindlehurst
Finlay Waterhouse
Sam Wilson
Oliver Winnard
Matthew Woodburn

Coaches
Mark Murray (Head Coach)
Cam Cherry
Noah Millar
Paddy O'Neil
Oliver Parkinson

Manager
Simon Lochhead

Rob Briers



RFU President 2023-2024

Club: West Park

School: West Park Grammar St Helens

Playing Pos: 11 & 14

Playing Honours: England U23, North West Counties (versus Australia), Lancashire Heritage number #994 and Lancashire Schools.

Honours: RFU Vice President, Chairman of the Community Game Board, RFU Council Member, Lancashire President 1999-2000.

Famously coached Lancashire Colts to victory at Twickenham 1990-1991 against Essex

MJP



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Rob Briers U17s Junior Cup

Firwood Waterloo Junior Colts XV

Asgar Anderson

Louie Barr

Evan Bertram

Niall Brown (C)

Zach Burton

Miles Butler

Connor Chapman

Ethan Cook

Jay Cook

Alfie Curran

Harrison Doran

Tom Flynn

Frankie Forsyth

Josh Hennessy

Ollie Hyslop

George Jackson

Adam Lenehan

Tinashe Mburayi

Marcus Mullins

Ted Newton (VC)

Milo Peck

Tom Reid

Swithin Samaradiwaka

Christopher Smith

Aaron Tsao

Coaches

Paul Brown

Phil McCaugheran

Liverpool Collegiate Junior Colts XV

Harvey Adams

Liam Coyle

Oscar Critchley

Torin Crossley

Noah Curtis

Rohan Dubbeling

Louie Freeman

Jude Frees

Luke Harris

William Harrison

Max Hodson

Jack Jackson

Imran Jjuko

Jack Marshall-Cummins

Conn McDonnell

Ewan McQueen

Evan Milne

Thomas Morris

Joseph Nice

Tomas Russell (VC)

Gabriel Smith

George Strode

Jack Van Vuuren

Ashton Webb (C)

Noah White

Alexander Whittingham (VC)

Jake Winstanley

Charlie Young

Coaches

Godfrey Russell (Head Coach)

Nick Roberts

Robert Young

Manager

Karen Russell

Alan James



Club: Many Clubs across the U.K and Lancashire
- Life Member of Lostock

School: Rivington Rd Secondary Modern.

St Helens (Rugby League)

Playing Pos No 2 Hooker

Joined the Army aged 15yrs in 1970

(converted from RL to RU)

Playing Honours: Combined Services, Army, Jnr

Army, British Police and St Helens Schools

Lancashire Honours/Rolls : Vice President,

Honours Tie, 1st XV Selector, U20s & U18s

Manager/Coach. Colts U19's Manager/Coach.

Famously coached Lancashire Colts to victory in the
National U19's 7's with Barry Jon Mather & Howard Hughes.

Alan James U17s Junior Trophy

Sedgley Park Junior Colts XV

Thomas Ainsworth

James Anders (VC)

Finlay Booth

Charlie Carthy

Nathan Crilly

Alfie Demaine Cox

Oscar Geddis

Rory Greenhalgh

Alfie Halliday

Zachary Jeffrey

Kenyi Jogo

Michael Johnson

Theo Kouadio (C)

Alfie Greenlove

Lewis Maycock

Benjamin Moran

Marcus Murphy

Finbar O'Mahony

Thomas Orrell

Carter Reddington

Joe Ryder

Benjamin Slater

Theo Walkden - Hampson

Riley Wardle

Sam Waring

Alexander Weddell

Coaches

Gareth Payne

Jack Hendo

Managers

Helen Ryder

Jayne Kouadio

Victoria Walkden

Aldwinians Junior Colts XV

Naser Al Malik

Lucas Carr

Luke Daley

Oliver Davies

Ethan Dombervand

Louis Dorman-Smith (C)

Isaac Flint

Chris Forrest

Sam France

Toby Frost

Alfie Hawkins

Alife Hyde

Giovannie Morris

Ethan Roberts

Ethan Saxon

Charlie Smith

Luca Stamper (VC)

Logan Storie

Alfie Valentine

Michael Welsby

Leon Wilson

Aiden Wrigley

Coaches

Matt Davies

Joe Matrin

Phil Smith

Nathan Clare

Physio

Chloe Proffitt

Todays Match Officials



Alan James U17s Junior Trophy
Kick off - 11:00am

Sedgley Park v Aldwinians



Ref: Ms Rosie Proctor.

AR1: Mr Simon Vale.

AR2: Mr Stephen Snoddy.



Rob Briers U17s Junior Cup
Kick off - 12:30pm

Firwood Waterloo v Liverpool Coll'



Ref: Mr Simon Vale.

AR1: Ms Rosie Proctor.

AR2: Mr Stephen Snoddy.



Joe McDonough U18s Senior Trophy
Kick off - 2:00pm

Fylde v Preston G'hoppers



Ref: Mr Andy Irvine.

AR1: Mr Jonny Cartwright.

AR2: Mr John Rooke.



Frank Morgan U18s Senior Cup
Kick off - 3:45pm

Wigan v Leigh



Ref: Mr Jonny Cartwright.

AR1: Mr Andy Irvine.

AR2: Mr John Rooke.

Frank Morgan U18s Senior Cup

Past Winners

1974-75	Southport	1999-00	Orrell
1975-76	Broughton Park	2000-01	Orrell
1976-77	Wigan	2001-02	Manchseter
1977-78	Widnes	2002-03	West Park
1978-79	West Park	2003-04	Preston Grasshoppers
1979-80	Orrell	2004-05	Rochdale
1980-81	St Helens	2005-06	Wigan
1981-82	St Helens	2006-07	Manchester
1982-83	Orrell	2007-08	Liverpool Collegiate
1983-84	Preston Grasshoppers	2008-09	Widnes
1984-85	Orrell	2009-10	Widnes
1985-86	Orrell	2010-11	Widnes
1986-87	Liverpool SH	2011-12	West Park
1987-88	Preston Grasshoppers	2012-13	Preston Grasshoppers
1988-89	Aldwinians	2013-14	Warrington
1989-90	Waterloo	2014-15	Widnes
1990-91	Waterloo	2015-16	Widnes
1991-92	Orrell	2016-17	Manchseter
1992-93	Orrell	2017-18	West Park
1993-94	Orrell	2018-19	Southport
1994-95	Preston Grasshoppers	2019-20	No Comp Covid19
1995-96	Preston Grasshoppers	2020-21	No Comp Covid19
1996-97	Preston Grasshoppers	2021-22	Firwood Waterloo
1997-98	Waterloo	2022-23	Kendal (Guest)
1998-99	Ormskirk	2023-24	Wigan

Joe McDonough U18s Senior Trophy

Past Winners

2000-01	Sedgely Park	2012-13	Rossendale
2001-02	Aldwinians	2013-14	Widnes
2002-03	Whitchurch (Guest)	2014-15	Preston Grasshoppers
2003-04	Waterloo	2015-16	Manchester
2004-05	Bury	2016-17	Trafford MV
2005-06	Aspull	2017-18	Littleborough
2006-07	Kirby Lonsdale (Guest)	2018-19	Manchester
2007-08	Glossop (Guest)	2019-20	No Comp Covid19
2008-09	Blackburn	2020-21	No Comp Covid19
2009-10	Rochdale	2021-22	Manchester
2010-11	Leigh	2022-23	Widnes
2011-12	Liverpool Collegiate	2023-24	Heaton Moor

Rob Briers U17s Junior Cup

Past Winners

2000-01	Manchester/Sedgely Park (Shared)	2012-13	Warrington
2001-02	West Park	2013-14	Vale Of Lune
2002-03	Preston Grasshoppers	2014-15	Preston Grasshoppers
2003-04	Sedgely Park	2015-16	Trafford MV
2004-05	Aspull	2016-17	Warrington
2005-06	Leigh	2017-18	Heaton Moor
2006-07	Glossop (Guest)	2018-19	Warrington
2007-08	Broughton Park	2019-20	No Comp Covid19
2008-09	Ormskirk	2020-21	No Comp Covid19
2009-10	Liverpool Collegiate	2021-22	Rochdale
2010-11	Manchester	2022-23	Sedgely Park
2011-12	Preston Grasshoppers	2023-24	Heaton Moor

Alan James U17s Junior Trophy

Past Winners

2013-14	Bolton	2019-20	No Comp Covid19
2014-15	Manchester	2020-21	No Comp Covid19
2015-16	Ormskirk	2021-22	Liverpool St Helens
2016-17	West Park	2022-23	West Park/Sefton
2017-18	Kirkby Lonsdale (Guest)	2023-24	Widnes
2018-19	Bury		



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