

## Bath Saracens RFC

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#### 2008 - 2009 Season Begins!

Sarries have begun the season with mixed results in the League. With the 1st league game of the Season, Sarries faced a strong Colerne Team. The game started at a frantic pace and Sarries were first out the starting blocks dominating the opening period, scoring a try through Simon Porter. However Colene rallied themselves and came back strong with a try from a forward set piece. Sarries were soon back in front when Martin Solomon touched down after a good fluent Sarries move. Colerne again hit back this time with there pacey outside center cutting through our defence to give them a narrow half time lead. In the Second half Colerne's centers started to click and they ran 4 more tries past Sarries. Sarries did register another try scored by Dan Nicholls.

With Malmesbury withdrawing from the league the two clubs agreed to keep the fixture and play it as a friendly. Sarries ran-in 8 tries to notch up an away win in North Wiltshire. With conditions perfect and the hosts fielding a contingency of Fijian players, both sides elected to throw the ball around and the outcome

Sarries would like to invite you to attend the Christmas Draw which will be held after the home match against Devizes II on 20th December 2008. The Devizes match should be a brilliant game to watch, and with the bar open afterwards...

Who can resist??

Come and support us, renew old friendships, and possibly win some prizes in the raffle!!

was an excellent game of rugby. Against Pewsey Vale, Two tries in each half secured the league points for Sarries. Pewsey Vale took an early lead with a converted try but Sarries hit back shortly after with the first of 2 Tries by Dan Nicholls. Pewsey then went further in front with a penalty, before Tim Badcock pounced on a loose ball to bring Sarries level. Simon Porter added the conversion and Sarries turned around at half time with a 12-10 lead. In the second half the Sarries spent long periods in the Pewsey half and were rewarded with 2 further tries from Nicholls and Captain Tony Lai. Porter completed the scoring with his 2nd conversion.

Chippenham couldn't raise a side against Sarries, and although disappointed not to play, Sarries were awarded the win.

Sarries Faced Wellington in the Somerset Cup Second round. Wellington, a team in a much higher League, proved too strong for Sarries. Although losing, everyone playing thoroughly enjoyed the game against stronger opposition. An upset may not have been on the cards, but the fixture shows how far Sarries have come in recent years. Trowbridge are favourites to win the league, and they showed Sarries why. A very well disciplined back line took Sarries apart. Sarries registered a try when Robbie Mazzeo closed down a kick and tidied up the loose ball to score.

Sarries travelled to Wootton Bassett with a bare bone team of 14 Players. The home team took advantage of their superior player number in extremely wet and cold conditions. Sarries worked extremely hard all game, with Jim Biss playing excellently. Sarries were eventually rewarded with a try, scored by John Catchpole.

A tough few fixtures lead us up to the Christmas break, however Sarries will be battling through each match, and we hope to see you there!

# 20th Sept 08 Colerne (League) 15-38

Lost (H)

27th Sept 08 Malmesbury (Friendly) 44-15

(A) Win

Win

4th Oct 08 Pewsey Vale (League) 24-10

(H) Win

11th Oct 08 Chippenham III (League) Walkover

(A) Lost

(H)

Lost

19th Oct 08 Wellington (Somerset Cup)

25th Oct 08 Trowbridge II (League) 5-64

(H) Lost

1st Nov 08 Wootton Bassett I1I (League) 7-49

(A)

(A)



15th Nov 08 Devizes 11 (League)	(A)
22nd Nov 08 Morganians (Friendly)	(H)
29th Nov 08 Avonvale (League)	(H)

6th Dec 08

(League)

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Please find enclosed SANTA's SWOLLEN SACK RAFFLETICKETS. Please sell as many as possible. More tickets are available from Rob Garton or Martin Solomon.







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Membership and Publicity: Martin Solomon

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29th November 2008

All you can eat Chinese, in BATH

13th December 2008

Coach Trip to Old Morganians, in Fancy Dress

20th December 2008

Christmas Draw, Sulis Club



#### Club Officers and Committee:

President: Paul Kavanagh Chairman: David Pyles Treasurer: Steve Hiscox Secretary: Mike York Club Captain: Tony Lai Club Coach: Les Garton lembership and Publicity: Martin Solomon Fixture/Match Secretary: Robbie Lawren Clothing/Equipment: Jon Bradley Social Secretary: Rob Garton General Members: Tim Badcock, Tim Ayres, Jim Biss, John Catchpole, Simon Porter, Dan Nicholls

Interested in becoming a Referee?

The RFU are running entry level courses

Frome on 9th Nov 08 and 16th Nov 08 IVEL Barbarians 13th and 14th Nov 08

Information can be found at: www.RFU.com/Referee Or on our website:

### League Table

Trowbridge	16
Avonvale	10
Colerne	9
Devizes II	7
Pewsey Vale	7
Combe Down II	6
Cooper Avon Tyres II	5
Wootton Bassett III	4
Bath Saracens	4
Chippenham III	2
Calne II	0

#### **Point Scorers**



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Position Position 🏠 Prop







25 Yrs



Robbie Lawrence

4 + Yrs

19-08-1969

Nickname

Prop

Time at Sarrie



Jon Bradley

### Training

Martin Solomon

Bath Saracens train at the Sulis Sports Club at Claverton Down, Bath — every Tuesday night 1830 to 2030.

Everybody, regardless of skill level, is welcome to come along and join in whether to train for a game or for general fitness.

So come along, have some fun, get fit and improve your game.

#### Loor

Rob Garton has begun to organise the destination for this years Toor! Please let him know if you are interested in coming (24th—26th April 09) and where you would like to go to.





Fellow Vice President, Hugh Sawyer, would like to pass on his thanks to those who came up with names for some of the old photos on the website. Hugh would also like to update and add Vice President stories to the web site. So please email or contact him with any stories and memories.

#### **Membership Money**

Membership money for this year is NOW due. Please speak to Membership Secretary, Martin Solomon, regarding your payment ASAP.

Many thanks to those who have paid!

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