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VIEW FROM THE CLUB

KRISTIAN WOOLF

I said after the game against Catalans, we were really disappointed with our performance at the weekend. It's one thing having a loss against a team that is travelling well, but I didn't think we performed anywhere near our best or anywhere near where we have performed during the season so far. So that was the most disappointing part. The important thing now is we respond and that is what good teams do. They respond and that is exactly what we are, we are a good team, and I know we will come out this Friday against Hull and put in a good performance.

Regan Grace misses out today after picking up a head knock in that game against Catalans. He is fine and has recovered, but because of the short turnaround and the concussion protocols he cannot play, but he will be fine for next week.

There is good news on Tommy Makinson. He has been running well in training and is looking sharp. I have said all along, we won't be taking a risk with him and we don't want to see Tommy doing the same injury again, so once we are 100% confident in him, he will be back playing for us.

Hull are playing well and it is not a surprise how they have started this year given how they ended the last campaign. I think the big difference from last season is obviously their new coach as well as Josh Reynolds. He brings a couple of things to their team. One is a real competitive streak and that has got a little bit more out of the rest of their squad as well. I think they are

competing harder and they are certainly showing more resilience in their defence and it is going to be a great game of footy once again. There is not a better game for us in terms of coming off the back of a disappointing performance and wanting to get a response against another strong team who are traveling well.

We play Hull again next week in the Challenge Cup semi-final, but I look at these two games as completely separate. What I learnt last year over here is whilst it feels like playing one game after another, they are two different competitions and teams do play a bit different because there is more riding on the line. We just need to worry about this week and our task is a response from last week, to go and get two points at home, in front of our fans against a strong Hull FC side. Once we have done that, we will worry about the Cup game.

I said after the last home game here against Salford, it was terrific having fans back and we are really looking forward to having you back tonight.

Enjoy the game.

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MORGAN KNOWLES IS BACK FROM INJURY AND WE CAUGHT UP WITH HIM FOR A CHAT AHEAD OF SOME BIG GAMES AHEAD FOR THE SAINTS...

You recently returned from off-season thumb surgery, how does it feel to be back playing?

Yes it's great to be back. I was going through my rehab for a while so I was really happy to get back playing against Salford the other week and to play in front of our fans too!

Were you pleased with your performance against Salford and do you feel you are now gaining some match fitness?

Yes I wasn't too bad! I was blowing up a little bit in my lungs with it being my first game back, but nothing replicates game fitness so that will come over the next few games. On the whole I was pretty pleased with how I went and of course it was great to get the win!

Is it difficult as a player on the side-lines watching the boys knowing you can't play?

It's hard watching and wanting to be out there with my teammates and to be part of it but the good thing is I am back out there now and I am looking forward to the season ahead.

How would you assess the season so far?

On the whole our defensive game is pretty good. Although against Catalans we weren't on our game and we were too ill-disciplined with and without the ball. The attacking combinations will get better and will come

on as the season progresses, but last week showed we still have a lot of improvement in us.

We now face Hull back-to-back, how important is it that we bounce back this week with a win?

The games are coming thick and fast and yes it is important we do bounce back against Hull with a win. We weren't at our levels in Catalans and we know where we need to improve and we will be working hard to ensure we are at the top of our game against a Hull side who are flying.

How important is it we put a marker down for the Cup semi-final the week after?

They are two different games. One is knock out rugby league, but before that all our focus is on Friday. It will certainly give us a confidence boost and perhaps a mental edge over them ahead of the semi-final if we can do the job this week. Both games are massive for us.

Finally, how special is it to have fans back in the stadium again?

This is why we all play the game. Having fans back is what it is all about. To hear the west stand sing against Salford proved how much we have missed them and we can't wait to hear them sing again tonight.

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MEMBERSHIP BALLOT INFO FOR THE RETURN TO THE TOTALLY WICKED STADIUM

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A WELCOME TO HULL FC

After tasting defeat last Saturday, for the first time in 2021, Saints return to the Totally Wicked Stadium this evening, to entertain Hull FC. The Black and Whites are probably Super League's most improved outfit and they will arrive in confident mood. Tonight's fixture is the first of two consecutive Saints versus Hull FC games, as the two clubs have been drawn to face each other in next Saturday's Challenge Cup Semi Final at Leigh Sports Village.

Hull FC come into tonight's match standing in 5th position in the Super League table, having won four and drawn one of their seven matches for a total of nine points.

The Black and Whites ended last season, as they had done in 2019, in 6th position. They began the campaign winning only three of their opening seven matches and, after their home defeat by Warrington Wolves, they parted company with their head coach, Lee Radford, just a few days before the season was suspended due to the Covid 19 pandemic. Andy Last took temporary charge of the team and under his leadership, after lockdown, their form steadily improved. Their 6th placed finish saw Hull qualify for the end of season play offs and they enjoyed a fine 27 points to 14, Elimination Play Off win at Warrington Wolves to qualify for the semi-finals, where they were beaten by 29 points to 2 by the Wigan Warriors. Their season ended disappointingly, but they were much better than they had been prior to lockdown, and they had been just 80 away from reaching the Grand Final.

Just five days later, it was announced that former Warrington and Huddersfield full back, Brett Hodgson had been appointed as their new, head coach on a three year contract for the 2021 season and beyond. During the off season there wasn't much change to Hull FC's playing personnel. Only one player, Josh Reynolds, from NRL outfit, Wests Tigers, joined their ranks, whilst Lewis Bienek (Castleford Tigers), Kieran Buchanan (Batley Bulldogs), Liam Harris (Halifax Panthers), Josh Jones (Huddersfield Giants), Ratu Naulago (Bristol RU), Albert Kelly (released) and Gareth Ellis (retired) left the club.

Hodgson used the extended off season to his advantage as he started to change his team's style of play. He has opted for evolution; as opposed to

revolution, and when the 2021 season commenced the Black and Whites looked rejuvenated, refreshed and ready to go. They defeated Championship outfit, York City Knights (A) in their pre-season run out 28-22 and comfortably defeated Huddersfield Giants by 22 points to 10, in their season's opener at Headingley. Salford Red Devils were beaten 35-4, the following weekend, at Saints, and then Featherstone Rovers (A) were knocked out of the Challenge Cup 34-14.

A rare Super League draw followed when, neither Hull FC, or Warrington Wolves, could be separated, after two periods of extra time, in a 14 all scoreline; and Wakefield Trinity (H) were beaten 20-14. In round 5, the Black and Whites narrowly lost their first match of the campaign at Wigan Warriors 14-16, in a game, that for long period, Hull were the better team; and, the following weekend, they were to 'get even' when they knocked the Warriors out of the Challenge Cup, at Headingley, at the Quarter Final stage of the competition by 20 points to 10. A disappointing home loss to the Catalans 10-27 was followed by a fine triumph at Headingley versus Leeds Rhinos 18-12, last Sunday.

Josh Reynolds appears to have settled in well and his partnership with Mark Sneyd is starting to develop. With Jake Connor at full back and Danny Houghton playing in the hooking position, Hull have a good solid spine to their team and are causing their opponents many problems. They are slowly looking like the real deal in 2021 and Saints are going to have to be at their best if they are looking to win tonight's match and next Saturday's cup tie.

Due to issues surrounding the Covid 19 pandemic, St. Helens didn't have a home fixture against Hull FC, last season; with Saints winning at the KC Stadium by 32 points to 18, back in February. The Black and Whites have faced Saints in 53 Super League encounters and have secured 17 victories and three draws. They had a particularly tough time at Knowsley Road, where they won just two of their 14 matches. At The Totally Wicked Stadium, Hull have performed much better, securing five wins and a draw from their 12 Super League encounters.

Bill Bates



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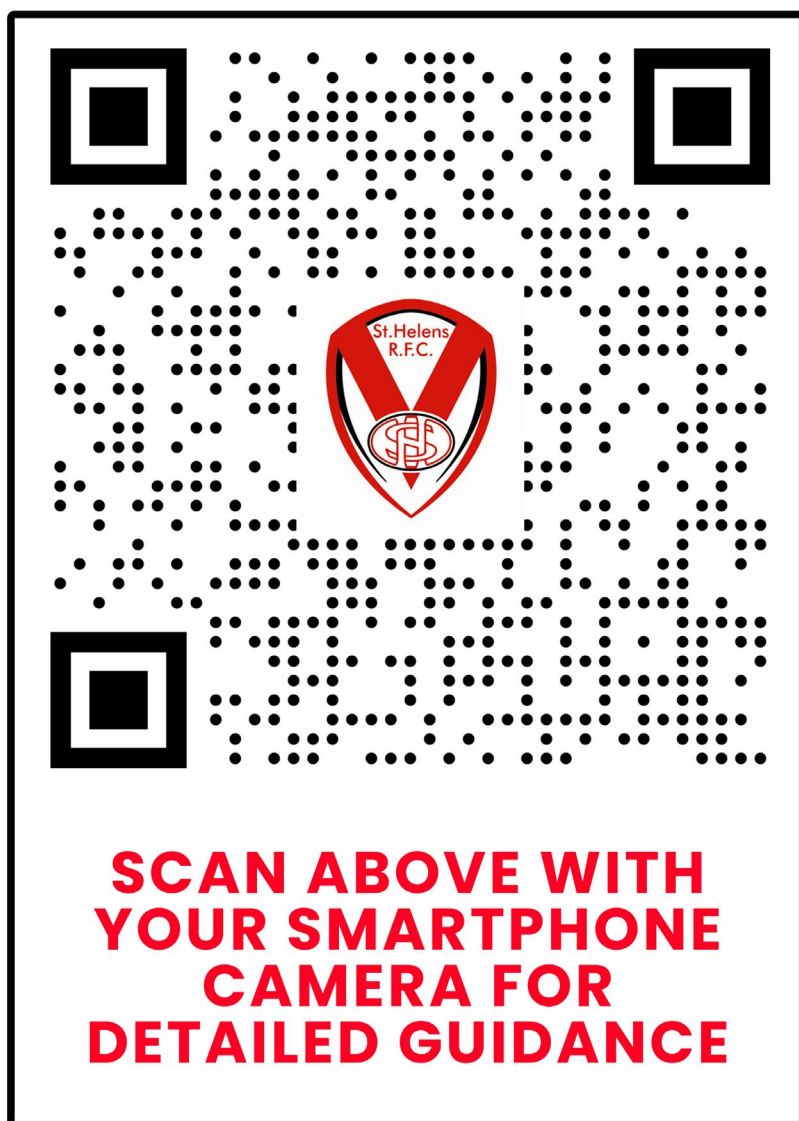
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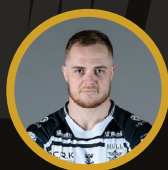
JAKE CONNOR

A product of Ovenden ARLFC, Jake played with the Huddersfield Giants before making the switch to East Yorkshire prior to the 2017 season. He quickly emerged as one of Hull FC's standout players, as well as earning the plaudits on the international stage for England. He is admired not only for his versatility, but his creativity with the ball. That sharpshooting creativity often comes to fruition when playing in the centres alongside a clinical winger; however Connor also operates fluently in the halves and at full back, where he is currently playing. Aged 26, Jake has now made 108 appearances for Hull FC and he has scored 31 tries, 104 goals and 4 drop goals for the Black and Whites, for a total of 437 points.



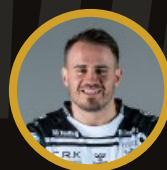
JOSH GRIFFIN

Josh Griffin signed for Hull FC ahead of the 2017 campaign and has become one of the Black and Whites' first choice centres. After joining the club from Salford Red Devils, Hull FC became Griffin's sixth professional club, following spells at Wakefield Trinity, Huddersfield Giants, Batley Bulldogs and Castleford Tigers. He is a dynamic centre that possesses plenty of pace, strength and agility and he scores and creates many tries. Josh is an offensive minded player that can be lethal on the edges with his impressive yardage. Now aged 31, Griffin has made 106 appearances for Hull FC and has scored 33 tries and 3 goals for the club, for a total of 139 points.



ADAM SWIFT

Adam teamed up with the Black & Whites for the 2020 campaign, having previously played for his hometown club St Helens. He was part of the Saints squad that won the Super League Grand Final in 2014, as well as being part of the squad that won the League Leaders Shield in 2019. Adam made 130 appearances for St. Helens, scoring 86 tries in an eight-year spell with the club. Swift is known for his electrifying pace and he is regarded as one of the fastest wingers in the competition. Since his move to Hudderside, Adam has settled in well and has scored 8 tries in 12 appearances for Hull FC.



JOSH REYNOLDS

Josh Reynolds is Hull FC's only new recruit ahead of the current campaign. Having played four matches at Origin level, Reynolds possesses all the qualities of a top halfback; threatening to slice through any defence, as he runs the ball right into the line. The former Canterbury and Wests stand-off has previously made 160 NRL appearances, scoring 44 tries and 5 drop goals for a total of 181 points. A beaten NRL Grand Finalist with the Bulldogs in 2012, he was reunited with Brett Hodgson when he arrived in the UK, as Reynolds worked with him; during his time at the Tigers. After forming deadly halfback partnerships with Luke Brooks and Benji Marshall, at the Tigers, Down Under, his new relationship with Marc Sneyd at Hull FC promises to electrify the Super League competition.



SCOTT TAYLOR

Hull-born prop Scott Taylor signed for his hometown club ahead of the 2016 season. The former Hull Kingston Rovers, Wigan Warriors and Salford Red Devils forward is considered an old-school, hard-working, no nonsense prop forward. Taylor has all the tools that make him a tough opponent for anyone. The 2016 Super League Dream Team member has an impressive trophy cabinet, with three Challenge Cups winner's medals and one Grand Final winner's ring. Now 30 years of age, Scott has won four England caps, and made 136 appearances for the Black and Whites, scoring 22 tries for the club, for a total of 88 points.

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A LOOK BACK AT SOME MEMORIES AGAINST TODAY'S OPPONENTS...

BY CLUB HISTORIAN – ALEX SERVICE

Images from two matches against today's opponents Hull FC – A team we also play in the Challenge Cup semi-final next week!



Dateline: 15th April 1961; Challenge Cup semi-final; St Helens 26 Hull 9; at Odсал Stadium, Bradford

Stand-off Wilf Smith scores one of his two tries during a convincing Saints' success against their Yorkshire rivals, in front of over 40,000 fans inside the famous Odсал Bowl. Notice the length of the grass and the supporters at ringside. Further tries were scored by Tom van Vollenhoven [a real cracker], Brian McGinn, Ken Large and Austin Rhodes, who also kicked 4 goals from the full-back position. The Saints went on to beat Wigan 12-6 in a closely fought affair, with Tom van Vollenhoven's try, in concert with his centre Ken Large, one of our club's most unforgettable moments.



Dateline: 30th August 2008; Challenge Cup final; St Helens 28 Hull FC 16; at Wembley Stadium

Saints' Anzacs celebrate after a marvellous victory against Hull at Wembley witnessed by 82,821 fans! Matt Gidley and Chris Flannery [Australia] and Willie Talau and Francis Meli [New Zealand] share a magic moment with the gleaming trophy. Gidley and Meli [2] were also amongst the try scorers that also included Leon Pryce and Jon Wilkin. Sean Long also booted over 4 goals. It was the third successive season that Saints had won the competition and their second at the 'new' Wembley. The photo also captures their image on the Big Screen behind. What memories are truly made of!



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FOR ENGLAND AND ST GEORGE

The Second World War severely disrupted sport at all levels, for obvious reasons, but for two Saints players, it provided the opportunity to play representative rugby at international level, in both codes.

On 16th April 1940, England beat Wales 8-5 in a close encounter at Oldham's Watersheddings ground. Classy centre Jack Waring [England Heritage #282] made his sole international

appearance, at right centre, with Hunslet's Eric Batten outside him. Jack scored a try in the match, after promptings from another Saints' player, stand-off Frank Tracey, who was winning his second cap. In a sign of the times, the game was temporarily halted during the first half when the air raid sirens sounded. The players were taken off the field but returned when the 'all clear' sounded and the game resumed. Jack is seen proudly wearing his England jersey and cap.

Another brilliant centre and local lad, Jimmy Stott [EHN #288] made his international debut in the 15-9 defeat of Wales on 27th February 1943 at Central Park, Wigan. His winger, coincidentally, was also Eric Batten. Jimmy was also chosen for the England Rugby Union XV, including a game against Scotland at Murrayfield, when other League representatives included Roy Francis and Ernest Ward.

Perhaps the most unusual fixture of the war was a game between a team of amateurs and professionals, at Headingley, essentially a League v Union Combined Services clash, under Union rules, of course. Not surprisingly, the Union XV consisted of many of 'officer' class, with the League XV, like Jimmy Stott, amongst the lower ranks. The League lads won 18-11.

Signed from the UGB amateur club in 1939, Jimmy, like Jack Waring, lost his best years to the conflict, although both played on after the war, with Jimmy captaining the Saints in the early years after the end of the conflict. He is pictured wearing Saints' early post war colours of brown and amber hoops.



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

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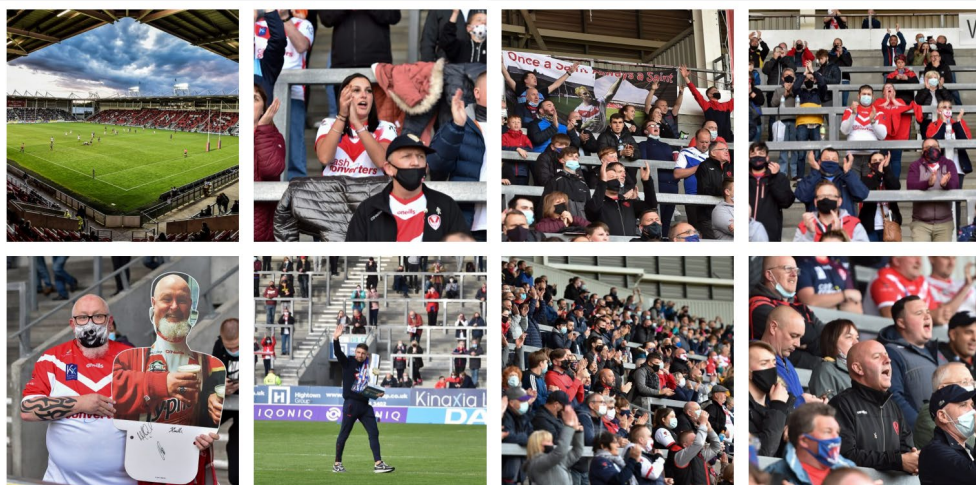


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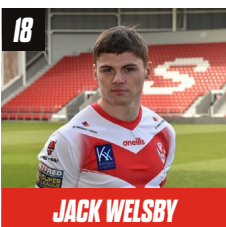
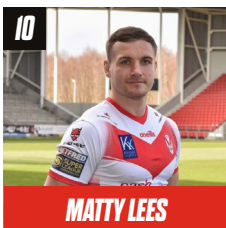
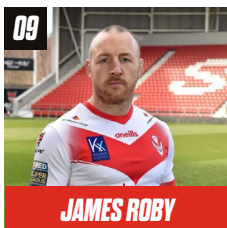
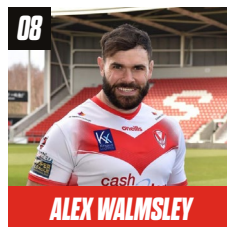
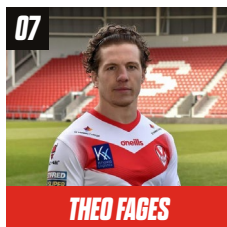
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26	SALFORD RED DEVILS	SL * - 6.00pm	H	29 - 26	BCD	1
APRIL						
1	HULL KR	SL ** - 8.15pm	A	0 - 25	BCD	1
10	LEEDS RHINOS	CC3	H	26 - 18	BCD	1
16	WAKEFIELD TRINITY	SL - 6.00pm	H	34 - 6	BCD	1
22	HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	SL - 7.45PM	A	10 - 18	BCD	1
30	LEIGH CENTURIONS	SL - 6.00PM	A	12 - 22	BCD	1
MAY						
7	HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS <i>SKY</i>	CCQF* - 8.15pm	H	23 - 18	BCD	1
17	SALFORD RED DEVILS	SL	H	28 - 0		1
22	CATALANS DRAGONS	SL	A	20 - 16		2
28	HULL FC <i>SKY</i>	SL	H			
JUNE						
5	HULL FC	CCSF	N			
11	LEEDS RHINOS	SL	A			
17	WARRINGTON WOLVES	SL	H			
25	HULL KR	SL	A			
30	CASTLEFORD TIGERS	SL	A			

DATE	OPPONENTS	COMP	V	FT	ATT	POS
JULY						
4	WIGAN WARRIORS	SL	H			
9	WAKEFIELD TRINITY	SL	A			
22	HULL KR	SL	H			
29	HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	SL	H			
AUGUST						
1	HULL FC	SL	A			
6	CATALANS DRAGONS	SL	H			
12	CASTLEFORD TIGERS	SL	H			
19	WIGAN WARRIORS	SL	A			
26	LEIGH CENTURIONS	SL	H			
30	WARRINGTON WOLVES	SL	A			
SEPTEMBER						
4	CATALANS DRAGONS <i>SKY</i>	SL - 5.15PM***	N			
9	LEEDS RHINOS	SL	H			
16	SALFORD RED DEVILS	SL	A			
24		SLEPO				
OCTOBER						
1		SLPOSF				
9		SLGF	N			

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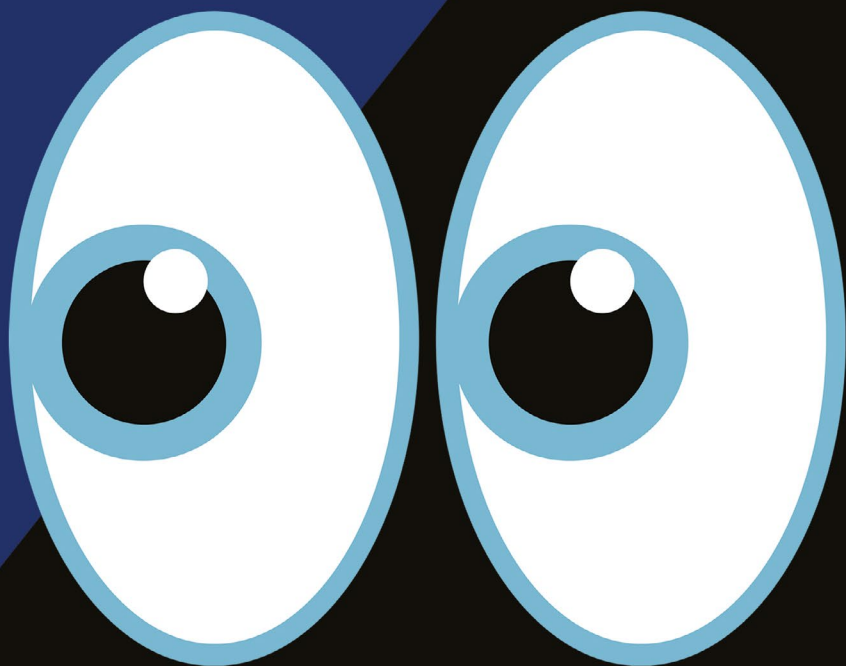
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