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# **TODAY'S TEAMS**



## **STIRLING WOLVES**

- 1. CAMERON MACMILLAN
- 2. GREGOR HIDDLESTON
- 3. LEWIS SKINNER
- 4. JAMES POW
- 5. HAMISH FERGUSON
- 6. CALLUM CRUICKSHANK
- 7. CONNOR GORDON ©
- 8. BENEDICT GRANT

- 9. GREGOR CHRISTIE
- 10. EUAN CUNNINGHAM
- 11. CRAIG JARDINE
- 12. MARCUS HOLDEN ©
- 13. ALEX THOM
- 14. STEVIE HAMILTON
- 15. LOGAN TROTTER

16. RHODRI TANNER
17. JOHN MCKENNA
18. GEORGE BREESE

HARRIS MCLEOD
SHAUN MACDONALD

21. CALLUM BECKETT 22. CRAIG JACKSON 23. LOGAN JARVIE

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## **HERIOT'S RUGBY**

- 1. CHRIS KEEN
- 2. CAMMY FENTON
- 3. DAN GAMBLE
- 4. RONAN SEYDAK
- 5. RUAIRIDH LEISHMAN ©
- 6. LEWIS GOVENLOCK
- 7. IAIN WILSON
- 8. JACK MANN

- 9. JED GELDERBLOOM
- 10. BRUCE HOUSTON
- 11. SAM PECQUEUR
- 12. KYLE BROWNE
- 13. NYLE GODSMARK
- 14. RORY STEELE
- 15. DAN KING

16. MICHAEL LINESS 17. JOSH SCOTT

18. STRUAN CESSFORD

19. FRASER HASTIE 20. JOEY BRITTON 21. MURDO MCANDREW

- 22. BOBBY KAY
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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome all to the second round of the FOSROC Super6 Championship.

Today we extend a warm welcome to Bridgehaugh to all visitors, sponsors, former players, and members, along with a special welcome to our opponents from Edinburgh, Heriot's Rugby.

The Wolves' first fixture of the Championship last week was inauspicious to say the least, losing to the Boroughmuir Bears 27-10, deservedly so. Heriot's also lost 33-17 to the Ayrshire Bulls - they played some very positive rugby but in the end were outgunned upfront by a dominant Bulls front five and their replacement front row.

It is also worth pointing out that Heriot's have three ex-County players: Ruairidh Leishman, Stuart Edwards, now their assistant coach, and Ross Jones. A warm welcome back to Bridgehaugh for all three players.

During the Sprint Series, Heriot's lost 47-25 to a dominant Wolves team, however, this is now a new competition and they have a lot to make up for last week's poor display. Injuries aside and with a couple of late call offs, the performance was not what the coaches and players were looking for, so there is an expectation of a big improvement this week. The Wolves have home advantage, which has proven to be important in the past.

We also have a double header today with our Stirling County Women's team playing the Heriot's Blues Women's Team. This should be a good encounter, allowing both sides to continue their preparations for the Premiership. County take on Hillhead Jordan Hill on Sunday 21st August, with a 2.00 pm kick off at Bridgehaugh.

This FOSROC Super6 Championship game is being televised Live on the Scottish Rugby website, BBC Sport website and BBC iPlayer. Next week, the Wolves host the Southern Knights, on Friday 19th August, with 7.45 pm kick off. If anyone is interested in taking a table for hospitality or a place at table for this fixture, please contact Daryn, our Super6 General Manager at the club by email s6gm@stirlingcounty-rfc.co.uk

Let's hope for a good game and may the best team win.

Like all clubs, we remain indebted to our sponsors and advertisers. Without whose valuable regular support, we would have difficulty running an all-inclusive rugby club for the benefit and enjoyment of all players and members of our community, no matter their ability, age, or background.

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Our thanks also go to shirt sponsors Douglas Park Stirling, Johnston and Carmichael, Belhaven, and Jm Architects.

Remember if you would like to purchase any Stirling Wolves or Stirling County rugby clothing our shop is now online where you can access the shop by going onto the new club website. To all our visitors, members, and supporters, please enjoy the rugby, enjoy your day, and keep on coming back to Bridgehaugh.

John T. Gibson

JOHN GIBSON PRESIDENT, STIRLING COUNTY R.F.C. 2021-2022





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# **COACHES' VIEW**

We welcome Heriot's to Bridgehaugh today in the second of our trilogy of home matches to start the Championship season. Obviously, last week was not the start we all wanted and fell well short of the standards we expect from ourselves. However, with back-to-back home matches, we get a chance to do something about it and put the learnings into practice very quickly. We have focused a lot of our analysis this week on the effort areas of the game – kick chase, kick return and general work off the ball. These areas take no talent but were areas we felt were lacking versus the Bears. They are also crucial to the way we want to play so we will be looking for a big improvement in this regard today.

Heriot's will come to Bridgehaugh desperate to pick up their first win of the season after a tough encounter versus Ayrshire Bulls in Round 1. They played some good rugby at times but ultimately fell off it physically in the latter stages as the Bulls turned the screw. They've got a strong squad to choose from and their head coaches, Stuart Edwards and Finlay Gillies, know exactly how to set up a winning Heriot's side having both previously played for the club.

While last weekend's encounter was well below our expectations on the field, it was great to have another busy Bridgehaugh and to see so many people enjoying the attractions off the field. This does not go unnoticed by our group. We love playing in front of you all and love that we are setting the bar in terms of that match day experience in the Super6. This weekend sees the County women's side, step up their preparations with a pre-season match as a curtain raiser to our game. We cannot wait to get out there this afternoon and reward your support with an improved performance.

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# **PLAYER PROFILE Craig Jardine**



Craig was born in Stirling and has played with Stirling County since Primary 2. He has played all of his junior rugby with the club, winning two U18 Scottish cups and many Caley cups. He has also represented Caledonian district rugby from U16's to U20's. He started playing senior rugby with the club in 2018, where he played a mixture of games for the 2XV and 1XV, he was a part of the team v Melrose winning the Charity Shield at the Greenyards. Craig joined the Stirling Super6 squad in September 2019.

'The team is looking strong going into this week, hopefully we can bring the energy and get the win!'







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Fosroc is excited for Super6 Sprint series and looks forward to seeing the tournament unfold in the coming weeks. The tournament plays an important role in developing players and providing an opportunity for them to reach their full potential and progress in the game. Fosroc wish all players and teams well for the season ahead.

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## STIRLING WOLVES



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