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**FOSROC SUPER SERIES SPRINT
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TODAY'S TEAMS



STIRLING WOLVES

1. GEORGE BREESE
2. GREGOR HIDDLESTON
3. MARIUS TAMOSAITIS
4. HAMISH FERGUSON
5. JAMES POW
6. RUARIDH KNOTT
7. CONNOR GORDON
8. BENEDICT GRANT
9. KYLE MCGHEE
10. MARCUS HOLDEN
11. KORIE WINTERS
12. CRAIG JARDINE
13. RYAN SOUTHERN
14. FINLAY CALLAGHAN
15. GLENN BRYCE

16. REYNER KENNEDY
17. CAMERON MURPHY
18. LLIAM QUARM

19. RUARIDH HART
20. SHAUN MACDONALD
21. ERIC DAVEY

22. CRAIG JACKSON
23. GREGOR SMITH



OTHER TEAM

1. BRANDON SWEET
2. COREY TAIT
3. MARTIN MCGINLEY
4. JACK FISHER
5. JOSH KING
6. CRAIG KEDDIE
7. SCOTT MCGINLEY
8. TRYSTAN ANDREWS
9. RUAIRIDH SWAN
10. TOM QUINLAN
11. JOE JENKINS
12. SCOTT ROBESON
13. ALEX THOM
14. CALLUM RAMM
15. ADAM SCOTT

16. ARTHUR ALLEN
17. IAIN CARMICHAEL
18. MARCUS GOODWIN

19. LUCA ALESSANDRI
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WELCOME, ALL TO THE FIRST ROUND OF THE FOSROC SUPER SERIES RUGBY SPRINT.

It was with great sadness that we had to report the sudden passing of Stewart Hamilton (Hammy) on Thursday, 30 March 2023. As my captain of Stirling County RFC, he was an inspirational leader and in my opinion, was good enough and should have been capped. Judging by the emails and WhatsApp messages I have received he was certainly held in high esteem being a well-recognised face and a legendary figure within Scottish Rugby, who made a considerable impression on those he played with and against, both on and off the field.

Our condolences go out to his family on this sad occasion. Further news will be released when the details of his funeral arrangements are made available.

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 Boroughmuir Bears, and welcome President, Stevie Douglas and his colleagues.

As President of Stirling County and a big advocate for the Super Series, I am delighted to get back to business and start the FOSROC Super Series Sprint competition. This time the Super Series Sprint will include 'A' teams from Glasgow Warriors and Edinburgh Rugby. This is a great development and will help to improve the quality of the game in Scotland.

Today the Bears v Wolves clash will be an unusually competitive one as in the past there hasn't been much to choose between the two sides. So this first fixture is important because the Wolves have a home advantage, which has proven to be important in the past. The Wolves played the Southern Knights, at the Greenyards, resulting in a 19-all draw and played the Ayrshire Bulls in a warmup game the week before.

Today we welcome both new and well-known faces as Glenn Bryce, Ruairidh Knott, Craig Jackson and former Bears scrum-half Kyle McGhie all debut for the Wolves.

Stirling Wolves came second in the Sprint Series last season showing their potential, whereas the Bears seemed to struggle on occasion resulting in them coming fifth. We should remember that the Bears won 26-25 as part of the Sprint Series, in May 2022 in a close encounter at Bridgehaugh. However, this is a new competition for both teams, so past achievements will not count. Let's hope for a good game and may the best team win.

FUTURE SUPER SERIES SPRINT FIXTURES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Fri 14 April	Ayrshire Bulls v Stirling Wolves, 7.35pm
Fri 21 April	Stirling Wolves v Glasgow Warriors A, 7.35pm
Fri 28th April	Stirling Wolves v Watsonians Rugby, 7.35pm
Sat 13th May	Stirling Wolves v Southern Knights, 3.00pm
Sat 20th May	Heriot's Rugby v Stirling Wolves, 3.00pm

PLAY-OFFS

Fri 26th May	1st v 2nd, 7.35pm
Sat 27th May	5th v 6th, 3.00pm
Sat 27th May	3rd v 4th, 5.00pm

We have several planned events and the opportunity for hospitality in 2023, so please watch our social media platforms for these details. We also have a variety of hospitality packages available for upcoming fixtures. If anyone is interested in taking a table for hospitality or a place at a table for any fixtures, don't hesitate to get in touch with Daryl, our Events Manager at the club or by email EDM@stirlingcounty-rfc.co.uk

Let's hope for some great games and enjoyment of rugby today, and may the best teams win. Like all clubs, we remain indebted to our sponsors and advertisers. Without their 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.

I would like to offer a special word of thanks to all our sponsors, particularly our main sponsor, Wolfcraig. The Wolfcraig whiskies will be original creations from two heavyweights in the Scottish whisky industry and will use the rich natural resources of the Stirling area. Wolfcraig is keen to become an active and positive part of the local community and will be taking steps to support its development. Unfortunately, they can't be with us today.

Our thanks also go to shirt sponsors Douglas Park Stirling, Johnston and Carmichael, Belhaven, and Stirling Crematorium for the warm-up tops.

Remember if you would like to purchase any Stirling County rugby clothing our shop is now online where you can access the shop by going to 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. 2022 – 2023

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COACHES' VIEW

It's been a good pre-season for Stirling Wolves. Over the last couple of weeks, we have had a competitive hit out against the Ayrshire Bulls, and the Southern Knights in preparation for our first competition game of the FOSROC Super Series Sprint. Our full squad has come together over the last couple of weeks, and we've been working hard at training. The effort and willingness to learn has been excellent.

We're really impressed by Sean Kennedy and Duncan Hodge, along with the rest of the coaching team. They've done an amazing job getting us ready for tonight's first competitive game against Boroughmuir Bears!

Over the last few seasons all of our matches against the Bears have been really tight. The Bears have an excellent team ethos and play well with each other—I know that Graham Shiel and Duncan Wilson will have been working towards producing a great quality team to play against us tonight.

We have recruited experience in Glenn Bryce, Ruaridh Knott and some excellent young talent in Korie Winters, Ruaridh Hart and Eric Davy.

On a personal note, I'm very proud to act as Stirling Wolves interim Head Coach and I know the team are very much looking forward to entertaining the Stirling crowd over the next few weeks.

EDDIE POLLOCK
ACTING HEAD COACH STIRLING WOLVES

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PLAYER PROFILE

GREGOR HIDDLESTON

POSITION: HOOKER
DATE OF BIRTH: 26/03/2002
BORN: DUMFRIES

Gregor was born in Dumfries and grew up in the countryside just a few miles outside the town. He started his rugby career aged 6 at his local rugby club, Dumfries Saints. There, he progressed from minis rugby all the way to the 1XV, making his debut at 17 years old.

Gregor stayed at Dumfries until moving to Premiership side GHA for the start of the 21/22 season. Since then, he has played for the Scotland U20's, earning 4 caps during the 2022 6 nations.

"The Super 6 Sprint Series allows teams and individuals to showcase their talent at a highly competitive level against the best players in Scotland. The Stirling squad have worked really hard in the offseason and set high standards across the board. We are excited to showcase a good brand of rugby for our friends, family & supporters this summer."





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FOSROC is excited for a new Super Series season and looks forward to seeing the Sprint tournament unfold in the coming months. 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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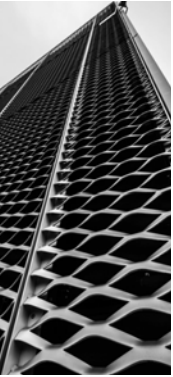
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