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### LLANHARAN vs GILFACH GOCH

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### CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

A big welcome to all visitors and players from Gilfach Goch, and a big thank you to our match sponsors, The Boars Head!

Take 2! This is a much anticipated rearranged fixture from one that was postponed earlier in the season, and is a curtain raiser for a weekend of 6 Nations Rugby being shown at the club, including the Ireland v Wales game.

Gilfach Goch are very close neighbours as the crow flies… provided the crow can navigate through hundreds of gigantic wind turbine blades!

Their team appear to be going through a period of transition, and recent scores and results suggest that they will be a different prospect to the one we beat up there on the opening day of the season; so don't let their league position fool you.

A competitive fixture under the lights is always a fantastic occasion, and we look forward to welcoming you into the clubhouse after the game to warm yourselves with a drink, whether it be one of our selections of coffee, or something a little stronger.

### **HUGH JAMES**

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# MORE FROM THE SCRIBE GILFACH GOCH

Our contact with this proud club from just over the mountain, has been limited over the years. However older supporters will recall a narrow cup win over them up there in 1987 when we went on to the quarter final only to lose to Aberavon.

Subsequent years have seen some impressive Gilfach playing achievements, in sharp contrast to recent form.

From 1996/97 to 2009/10 they won their respective leagues five times, and threw in a couple of Silver Ball successes for good measure.

Just two wins were recorded last season, and this year they opened with a heavy home defeat against our boys, but after a string of defeats they have been picking up wins of late, the Pentyrch victory particularly noteworthy. As we all too well know, another reminder that losing scenarios eventually turn for the better, so they'll be given every respect by Scott and the team today.

They came into existence in 1889 and became WRU members in 1956. They have various nicknames - Gowch, Gulch or Gil. Gilfach products who have gone on to international status are Corey Domachowski, Ian Hall, Mathew Back and Jason Lewis.

**HUGH SMITH** 

### THE SCRIBE LOOKS BACK

### SWALEC ONE EAST 2010/11 Nov 20

### GILFACH GOCH 22 LLANHARAN 6 (HT 5-6)

It was 1987 when these our two clubs previously did battle, Llanharan coming away with a 9-7 Welsh cup win on our way to the quarter final where we lost to Aberavon.

In the intervening years national leagues materialised and we even enjoyed one season's

taste of premiership rugby.

Gilfach meanwhile were largely rooted in the lower order until the 1990s saw them start to pick up prestigious trophies like the Glamorgan Silver Ball, building on such success after the millennium with progress up the league ladder culminating in the Swalec Two East championship 2009. At the same time we were finishing close runners up to UWIC in One East.

The home outfit went into this Welfare Ground encounter and succeeded in establishing bragging rights against us, with a strong second half display that brought a bonus point victory thanks to two late tries.

Our team had once again taken the field against a background of a long list of players unavailable for one reason or another, but there was little to choose between the two teams in the opening forty minutes, Adrian Williams' 34th minute try cancelled out by two Chris Williams penalties.

But with wind and slope in their favour after the restart an efficient Gilfach unit raised the stakes, even making light of a 57th minute yellow card for centre Shaun Roberts, Gilfach tries – Mathew Llewellyn 2, Steve James, Adrian Williams. Con – Ian Davies.

Llanharan penalties – Chris Williams (2).

Llanharan team: 15 Geraint Walsh14 Nathan Rees 13 Lloyd Thomas 12 Rhys Lakin 11 Josh Austin 10 Shaun Cochran (Mike Thomas 75) 9 Chris Williams 1 James Greenfield 2 Nathan Huish (Capt.) (Chris Greenfield 73) 3 Luke Powell (Nick Kibble 73) 4 Nick Eaves 5 James Connors 6 Bill Carey 7 Craig Moses (Nikki Allen 52) 8 Dave Smith

April 9 LLANHARAN 26 GILFACH GOCH 20 (HT 23-7)

A late rally by Gilfach just failed to snatch victory as yellow cards produced contrasting outcomes.

We seemed on course for a decisive victory. entering the last quarter 26-10 up facing a Gilfach side reduced to fourteen by the yellow carding of their full back Ian Davies. What would have been the end of contest try appeared to have come as Aled Llewellyn drove over from a strike against the head by Nathan Huish and his props James Greenfield and Luke Powell, but it was adjudged "held up".

A minute before Davies re-entered the contest home replacement flanker Justin Jones also fell foul of the yellow peril and Gilfach needed no second bidding to pile on the pressure,

closing the gap to just six points with five minutes left to play

But we held out, Huish taking another vital head and helping our side bravely counterattack as an effective form of defence.

Llanharan team: Harley Thomson Lloyd Thomas Dai Atkins Rhys Lakin Luke James (Rhys Griffiths 76) Mike Thomas Chris Williams James Greenfield (Nick Kibble 63) Nathan Huish (Capt) Luke Powell Nick Eaves Justin Benfield (Justin Jones HT) Mathew Strong (Scott Malone 47) Aled Llewellyn.

Llanharan tries – Rhys Lakin, Bill Carey. Cons 2 and pens 4 – Chris Williams. Gilfach tries – Mike Catris, Carl Townsend. Con and pen 2 – Ian Davies. Con – Gareth Walters.

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# NATIONAL LEAGUE DIVISION 2 EAST CENTRAL

**2023/24FIXTURES** 



# February

23/02/2024 LLANHARAN

Gilfach Goch

### March

**LLANHARAN** Llantrisant 02/03/2024 Deri @Penygraig **LLANHARAN** 06/03/2024 09/03/2024 LLANHARAN **Treharris** 

15/03/2023 **LLANHARAN** Pentyrch

23/03/2024 **LLANHARAN** Penarth @Bedwas

30/03/2023 LLANHARAN Cowbridge

April

06/04/2023 LLANHARAN Llantrisant

Pentyrch **LLANHARAN** 13/04/2023

20/04/2023 LLANHARAN Cilfynydd

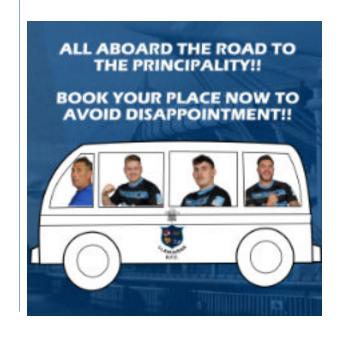
27/04/2023 **LLANHARAN** Llantwit Fardre

All fixtures are subject to change. Please visit www.llanharanrfc. co.uk for the latest fixture news. and follow us on social media.



Watch the Six Nations on our giant screens at **LLANHARAN RFC** 

POS	TEAM	PL	W	D	L	TB	LB	PTS
1	LLANHARAN	13	13	0	0	10	0	62
2	LLANISHEN	15	11	0	4	12	1	57
3	PENARTH	13	11	0	2	11	0	55
4	CAERPHILLY	15	9	0	6	10	3	49
5	PENTYRCH	15	8	0	7	10	4	46
6	CILFYNYDD	14	8	0	6	8	0	40
7	LLANTWIT FARDRE	15	7	0	8	8	3	39
8	COWBRIDGE	14	7	0	7	6	4	38
9	TAFFS WELL	17	4	0	13	4	3	23
10	TREHARRIS	14	4	0	10	2	2	20
11	GILFACH GOCH	13	4	0	9	5	0	19
12	LLANTRISANT	14	0	0	14	3	1	4





**DIVISION 2 CUP SEMI-FINAL** v PENARTH @Bedwas 23rd March 2024

# Youth Tour Fundraising



Llanharan RFC Youth need your support! They have loads of prizes available in their fundraiser raffle, including:

- Tickets to a Bristol Bears home game
- Tickets to a Scarlets game
  - Vouchers from various local Businesses
- and the list will only get longer as the prizes keep coming in !!!



ext your name and number of entries to 07497451016

entries cost £2 www.paypal.me/steveroberts when your money is received you will be allocated your raffle numbers.

Llanharan RFC Youth are looking to cycle/row 1235 miles in order to fundraise money for their tour to Santa Ponsa. 1235 miles is the distance from Llanharan RFC to Santa Ponsa.

Each Sunday the youth boys will be at the club trying to achieve their goal and supporting the Mini/Junior Teams of Llanharan RFC. Any contribution is greatly appreciated.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/LlanYouthTour2024







# HOSPITALITY FIXTURES

As part of our generous Vice Presidents package we are pleased to announce the fixtures that have been allocated for hospitality for the Season 2023/24, that includes a buffet and drink allocation.



DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

To upgrade your membership please enquire at the club



### MANAGEMENT

# LLANHARAN



ANDY PRICE Assistant Coach



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GARETH NICHOLAS Head Coach

# PLAYING SQUAD SEASON 2023/24

TEIRION JONES



STU GRIFFITHS



TOM JENKINS



SCOTT JONES



SAM RICHARDS



TOM BUCKLE



CHRIS OSBORNE



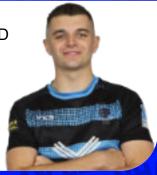
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ADAM LEWIS



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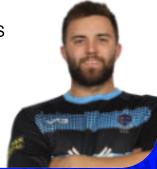
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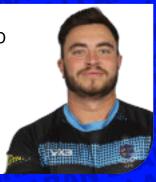
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### 2023/24 COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

#### PITCH SIDE PERIMETER BOARD SPONSORSHIP

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Benefits of this package include:

- A large perimeter board to be displayed at all 2021/2022 Llanharan RFC home fixtures.
- Discounted rates for future seasons.
- Access to an annual sponsors day event, to include a buffet and 2 free drinks.

### MATCH AND MATCH BALL SPONSORSHIP

#### EXCLUSIVE MATCH SPONSORSHIP

Benefits of this package include:

- ▶ 10 invited guests for pre match, half time and post match hospitality for your chosen fixture.
- Logo placement supported by a statement naming your organisation as the Official Match Sponsor on the pre and post match website report for your chosenfixture.
- Logo placement supported by a statement naming your organisation as the Official Match Sponsor within the Llanharan RFC digital match day programme of your chosen fixture.
- Regular messages delivered over the loudspeaker system announcing your organisation as the Official Match Sponsor before and during your chosen fixture.
- The opportunity to select the Llanharan RFC man of the match and present the post match award to the selected player at your chosen fixture.
- Logo placement supported by a statement naming your organisations the Official Match Sponsor on pre and post match social media posts of your chosen fixture.



Benefits of this package include:

- 2 invited guestsfor pre match, half time and post match hospitality for your chosen fixture.
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- Logo placement supported by a statement naming your organisation as the Official Match Ball Sponsorwithin the Llanharan RFC digital match day programme of your chosen fixture.
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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT GARETH MORGAN

# Social



Make Llanharan RFC your preferred venue for weddings, parties and events, with extremely competitive rates and special added discounts for our members.

Interested in hiring a venue then call the club on 01443 222209 or

Our Social Secretary Su Gardner-Ponting 07894465622

### FEELING LUCKY?

Club Lottery Tickets are available behind the bar. Draws are made every Thursday.

This weeks JACKPOT stands at £5000!

### The Line-ups



LLANHARAN v GILFACH GOCH Friday 23 February 2024 DAIRYFIELD KICK-OFF 19:30

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MATCH OFFICIAL

REFEREE: RHODRI MORGAN

### LLANHARAN

- 15 HARLEY THOMSON
- 14 JACK PRING
- 13 JOE DAVIES
- 12 JACK BROOKS
- 11 TOM BUCKLE
- 10 SCOTT JONES ©
- 9 ROSS PRITCHARD
- 1 RHYS TALOR
- 2 TOM JENKINS
- 3 SAM RICHARDS
- 4 OWAIN HOWE
- 5 KIERAN MARTIN
- 6 LLOYD GREGORY
- 7 IEUAN EVANS
- **8** JACK THOMSON

#### REPLACEMENTS

**GETHIN CASHMORE** 

JAY FLETCHER

**IWAN BARTLE** 

**MORGAN PARSONS** 

**KIAN THOMAS** 



#### **GILFACH GOCH**

- 15 MCAULEY JONES
- 14 JOSH HOLE
- 13 BRAD MORGAN ©
- **12** JORDAN WILLIAMS
- 11 KIAN DAVIES
- 10 ROAN TROTT
- 9 JAMES COOK
- 1 LIAM JENKINS
- 2 LOGAN EVANS
- 3 RICKY PRIDAY
- 4 IEUAN WILLIAMS
- 5 JARRAD KIDNER
- 6 ISAAC PRITCHARD
- 7 EVAN PARSONS
- **8** HARRISON PRITCHARD

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**RHYS JONES** 

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