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# Welcome

A warm welcome to Thamesians - a club even younger than us being formed in 1962 and currently lying mid table having beaten St Albans, Barnet Elizabethans, Actonians and only last week with a comfortable win against Saracens. They like us also run a Ladies team so we hope to see them visit Hitchin again in the future.

Hitchin have made a great start to the season. Although we have suffered yet again with injuries to key players, our confidence is high. I am sure the hard work being done on the training field under the guidance of our coaching staff will yield dividends.

We are looking forward to a great game of rugby.



**Gerallt Morgan,**  
**Club President**

## Your club needs you!

We're looking forward to a great game against Thamesians RFC. But what is needed to get a team of players ready for a game such as this? At least 15 players obviously, but it takes much, much more than just that.

There's the match-day management team - coach, physio, linesmen and support people. Those in the clubhouse - barstaff, kitchen staff and shop managers. Then there are the trainers and selectors needed well before the game as well as the groundsman and those cleaning and maintaining the clubhouse.

We need this for each of the three Men's teams, for the Ladies team as well as the Vets and Adult Touch Rugby squads. The M&Y section now has 16 age-groups that need similar (if not more) support each time they train and play.

And that's just the playing side of the club. We need a team of people to run the commercial side of what we do. We need bar managers, a bar stewarding team to order and look after what we sell. We need people to take bookings and people to liaise with VPs and with our sponsors.

The list goes on and on.

And apart from rugby, what do these people have in common? They all give of their time and contribute to our wonderful club. They step up and they help. They volunteer.

So no matter how much or how little time you might be able to give, we'd be delighted to hear from you. Email me at

**[ClubSecretary@HitchinRugby.com](mailto:ClubSecretary@HitchinRugby.com)**



**Michael Emmerson,**  
**Club Secretary**







# London & SE Division

Starts/Middles: 1

2019-2020

Fixtures		Results		Table							
Starts/Middles: 1											
Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	PP	PA	+/-	TR	LR	Pts
1	Finsbury Park	7	6	0	1	275	83	221	8	1	30
2	Hitchin	7	6	0	1	238	190	118	6	0	30
3	St Albans	7	5	0	2	176	143	13	5	0	25
4	Wasps FC	7	5	0	2	153	170	-18	4	0	24
5	Bank of England	7	4	0	3	147	213	-66	5	3	21
6	Chesham	7	4	0	3	181	184	-3	5	1	20
7	U.C.S. Old Boys	7	3	0	4	137	193	-56	4	3	18
8	Sons of the Ancestors	7	3	0	4	183	305	-121	5	1	14
9	Slaves	7	3	0	4	172	194	-22	5	0	18
10	Hendon	7	3	0	4	150	157	-7	3	3	13
11	Barnet Elizabethans	7	1	0	6	122	235	-113	2	3	5
12	Actonians	7	0	0	7	182	286	-104	4	3	4

## A good season so far

Men's rugby at Hitchin is having a good season so far. Both the Men's 1XV and 3XV teams are currently top of their respective leagues and the 2XV won last week 14-47 away at Biggleswade. With six wins out of seven, the 1XV currently share the top spot with Finsbury Park.

The 38-5 home win on 20 October against UCS Old Boys saw Hitchin 1XV move into joint top spot for the first time. Ruari Shanahan scored two of their six tries in this game – a welcome return to form following a long absence from injury last year.

Full match reports on our website: [www.hitchinrugby.com/Teams.aspx?F=1](http://www.hitchinrugby.com/Teams.aspx?F=1)

Last week's 5-42 emphatic away win against Wasps was the Hedgehogs best performance of the season and cemented Hitchin's credentials as real promotion contenders this season.

The morale in the team is strong, no doubt helped by their after-training feed of chicken and rice in the clubhouse on Thursday night. There is strength in the depth on the bench and the results continue to be positive.

Watch this space!



# 1XV Squad

(Announced so far)



Shirt	Player
1	Sean McGinnity
2	Tom Tidey (Captain)
3	James Bolter
4	Ryan Arbon
5	Matt Trussell
6	Frederick Rooney
7	Pierre De Rancourt
8	Armel Baufume
9	Daniel Wiggins
10	Ben Wiggins
11	William Rooney
12	Ruiri Shanahan
13	Carwyn Morgan
14	Chris Martin
15	Alistair Southward

## Reserves

16	Stuart West
17	Dale Baines
18	Max Stallard
Manager	Mark Tidey
Physio	Mark Hoffman
Coach	Adam Shaw



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