

HONOURS AND RECORDS

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ST HELENS RFC 1895-2025 130 YEARS OF STRAIN, PAIN AND GAIN



**CLUB V CLUB RECORDS - ALL YEARS
AND SUPER LEAGUE**

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**JUST HOW WELL HAVE YOUR
SAINTS' TEAMS PERFORMED?**

INTRODUCTION

SAINTS HERITAGE SOCIETY WEBSITE - A MOUNTAIN OF FACTS

Established in the year 2000, the Saints Heritage Society has developed into one of the greatest Rugby League websites in the world, with details of almost 5000 official Saints' matches and over 1300 first team players. In addition the site contains an in-depth history of the Club before 1895 and a complete record of our high-achieving Women's team.

So much rich history naturally raises hundreds of questions when you scan the pages:

How well have we performed against other teams over the years?

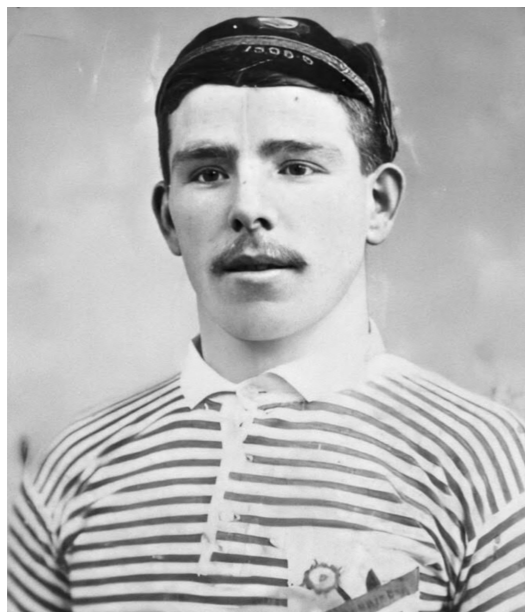
Which players hold our Club records?

Which trophies have we collected along the Way?

CLUB HONOURS

FIRST FINAL FIRST TROPHY

The Saints got off to a flying start in their quest for honours in the Northern Union reaching the first Final of the Challenge Cup on the **24th of April 1897**. Their opponents that day, Batley deserved their 10 points to 3 victory. For the Saints **David 'Red' Traynor** (photo below) scored a splendid try.



In historical terms, the Saints only had to wait another three years to get their hands on a trophy. On the **30th of April 1900**, the Saints faced Runcorn in the Final of the curiously named South West Lancashire and Border Towns Cup. The Saints vanquished the "Linnets" courtesy of tries from Jim Barnes and John Appleton.

The Saints had to wait another 15 years for their next Final. Unfortunately, they had to face one of the greatest ever teams to grace a rugby league field - Huddersfield aka 'The team of all Talents'. The **Challenge Cup Final** of the 1914/15 season was played at Watersheddings, Oldham and resulted in a resounding 37 points to 3 defeat for the Saints.

Indeed the long-suffering Saints' supporters had to endure another two Challenge Cup Final defeats against Widnes in 1930 and Huddersfield again in 1953 before they lifted the prestigious Challenge Cup on the **25th of April 1956**. Photo below shows captain Alan Prescott with the Cup.

The Saints' teams of the 1950s really kicked started the glory run which has continued to the present day.



13 times RL Challenge Cup Winners

RL CHALLENGE CUP VICTORIES

YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETITION	VENUE	RESULT	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST
1956	April	28	Halifax	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	13	2
1961	May	13	Wigan	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	12	6
1966	May	21	Wigan	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	21	2
1972	May	13	Leeds	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	16	13
1976	May	8	Widnes	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	20	5
1996	April	27	Bradford Bulls	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	40	32
1997	May	3	Bradford Bulls	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	32	22
2001	April	28	Bradford Bulls	RLCCF	Twickenham	WON	13	6
2004	May	15	Wigan Warriors	RLCCF	Cardiff	WON	32	16
2006	August	26	Huddersfield Giants	RLCCF	Twickenham	WON	42	12
2007	August	25	Catalans Dragons	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	30	8
2008	August	30	Hull FC	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	28	16
2021	July	17	Castleford Tigers	RLCCF	Wembley	WON	26	12

17 times RL Champions

RUGBY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETITION	VENUE	RESULT	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST
1932	5	7	Huddersfield	ChF	Belle Vue, Wakefield	WON	9	5
1953	5	7	Halifax	ChF	Maine Rd, Manchester	WON	24	14
1959	5	16	Hunslet	ChF	Odsal Stadium, Bradford	WON	44	22
1966	5	28	Halifax	ChF	Station Rd, Swinton	WON	35	12
1970	5	16	Leeds	ChF	Odsal Stadium, Bradford	WON	24	12
1971	5	22	Wigan	ChF	Station Rd, Swinton	WON	16	12
1975	4	15	Dewsbury	Season's Final League Match	Knowsley Road, St. Helens	WON	36	14
1996	8	26	Warrington Wolves	Season's Final League Match	Knowsley Road, St. Helens	WON	66	14
1999	10	9	Bradford Bulls	SLGF	Old Trafford, Manchester	WON	8	6
2000	10	14	Wigan Warriors	SLGF	Old Trafford, Manchester	WON	29	16
2002	10	19	Bradford Bulls	SLGF	Old Trafford, Manchester	WON	19	18
2006	10	12	Hull F.C.	SLGF	Old Trafford, Manchester	WON	26	4
2014	10	11	Wigan Warriors	SLGF	Old Trafford, Manchester	WON	14	6
2019	10	12	Salford Red Devils	SLGF	Old Trafford, Manchester	WON	23	6
2020	11	27	Wigan Warriors	SLGF	KCOM Stadium, Hull	WON	8	4
2021	10	9	Catalans Dragons	SLGF	Old Trafford, Manchester	WON	12	10
2022	9	26	Leeds Rhinos	SLGF	Old Trafford, Manchester	WON	24	12

3 times World Club Champions

3 TIMES WORLD CLUB CHAMPIONS

YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETITION	VENUE	RESULT	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST
2001	1	26	Brisbane Broncos	WCC	Reebok Stadium, Bolton	WON	20	18
2007	2	23	Brisbane Broncos	WCC	Reebok Stadium, Bolton	WON	18	14
2023	2	18	Penrith Panthers	WCCF	Bluebet Stadium, Penrith, Australia	WON	13	12

2001

The mighty Saints fight back in a Bolton blizzard to defeat Brisbane Broncos.

2007

The Saints return to Bolton to defeat the Broncos again and claim their second title.

2023

A thrilling drop goal from Lewis Dodd goes down as one of their best ever wins.

PREV MATCH: Wakefield Trinity Wildcats | **ST. HELENS 20** | NEXT MATCH: Wigan Warriors

BRISBANE BRONCOS 18

DATE	COMPETITION	VENUE	ATTENDANCE	(HT)
26th Jan 2001	WCC Final	NEUTRAL	16041	HT:6-12

1 - Paul Wellens
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 28
WINNING HONOURS: 1999 SLIP, 2000 SLIP, 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP, 2006 SLIP, 2006 PCOP, 2007 COOP, 2008 COOP, 2014 SLIP

2 - Sean Koppe
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 26
WINNING HONOURS: 2001 WCC, 2003 SLIP

3 - Kevin Iro
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 30
WINNING HONOURS: 1998 SLIP, 1999 SLIP, 2000 SLIP, 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP

4 - Paul Newlove
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 29
WINNING HONOURS: 1996 SLIP, 1997 SLIP, 1998 SLIP, 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP, 2003 SLIP

5 - Anthony Sullivan
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 32
WINNING HONOURS: 1991-92 SLIP, 1998 SCOP, 1997 COOP, 1999 SLIP, 2000 SLIP, 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP

6 - Tommy Martyn
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 28
WINNING HONOURS: 1996 SLIP, 1997 SLIP, 1998 SLIP, 2000 SLIP, 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP

7 - Sean Long
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 24
TRIES: 1
GOALS: 3
DROP GOALS: 1
WINNING HONOURS: 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP

8 - Dave Fairleigh
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 25
WINNING HONOURS: 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP

PREV MATCH: Wakefield Trinity Wildcats | **ST. HELENS 18** | NEXT MATCH: Bradford Bulls

BRISBANE BRONCOS 14

DATE	COMPETITION	VENUE	ATTENDANCE	(HT)
23rd Feb 2007	WCC Final	NEUTRAL	23207	HT:8-6

MATCH NOTES: Match played at the Reebok Stadium, Bolton. Saints win their second World Club Challenge. Paul Southgate returns, from a long term injury, as a substitute and is named as Man of the Match.

1 - Paul Wellens
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 29
WINNING HONOURS: 1999 SLIP, 2000 SLIP, 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP, 2006 SLIP, 2006 PCOP, 2007 COOP, 2008 COOP, 2014 SLIP

2 - Ide Gardner
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 23
TRIES: 2
WINNING HONOURS: 2006 SLIP, 2006 PCOP, 2007 WCC, 2007 COOP, 2008 COOP

3 - Matt Gidley
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 29
WINNING HONOURS: 2004 PCOP, 2006 PCOP, 2007 WCC, 2007 COOP, 2008 COOP

4 - Willie Falan
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 31
WINNING HONOURS: 2004 PCOP, 2006 PCOP, 2007 WCC, 2007 COOP, 2008 COOP

5 - Francis Seli
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 27
WINNING HONOURS: 2006 SLIP, 2006 PCOP, 2007 WCC, 2007 COOP, 2008 COOP

6 - Leon Byce
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 25
WINNING HONOURS: 2006 SLIP, 2006 PCOP, 2007 WCC, 2007 COOP, 2008 COOP

7 - Sean Long
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 30
WINNING HONOURS: 1999 SLIP, 2000 SLIP, 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP

8 - Nick Fozzard
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 28
WINNING HONOURS: 2001 WCC, 2001 SCOP

PREV MATCH: Wakefield Trinity Wildcats | **PENRITH PANTHERS 12** | NEXT MATCH: Castleford Tigers

ST. HELENS 13

DATE	COMPETITION	VENUE	ATTENDANCE	(HT)
18th Feb 2023	World Club Challenge Final	AWAY	13837	(HT:0-10)

MATCH NOTES: The Saints pull off a fantastic performance to become World Club Champions for the third time in their history. Due to the inclement weather conditions, the teams agreed to field an extra substitute. James Bell was the 15th man for the Saints. The match was played in the climatic context of torrential rain, thunder and lightning.

1 - Jack Welby
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 21
TRIES: 1
WINNING HONOURS: 2014 SLIP, 2019 SLIP, 2021 SLIP, 2022 SLIP, 2023 WCC

2 - Tommy Makinson
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 31
WINNING HONOURS: 2008 SLIP, 2009 SLIP, 2010 SLIP, 2011 SLIP, 2012 SLIP, 2023 WCC

3 - Konradurrell
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 31
TRIES: 1
WINNING HONOURS: 2007 WCC, 2023 WCC

4 - Stark Percival
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 28
WINNING HONOURS: 2014 SLIP, 2019 SLIP, 2021 SLIP, 2022 SLIP, 2023 WCC

5 - Will Kopate
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 30
WINNING HONOURS: 2019 SLIP, 2020 SLIP, 2022 SLIP, 2023 WCC

6 - Jonny Lomax
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 32
WINNING HONOURS: 2019 SLIP, 2020 SLIP, 2021 SLIP, 2022 SLIP, 2023 WCC

7 - Lewis Dodd
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 27
WINNING HONOURS: 2023 WCC

8 - Alex Wainman
AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 27
WINNING HONOURS: 2023 WCC

Four Premiership Trophy Victories with Harry Sunderland Trophy winners

4 TIMES PREMIERSHIP TROPHY WINNERS

YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETITION	VENUE	RESULT	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST
1976	5	22	Salford	PTF	Station Rd, Swinton	WON	15	2
1977	5	28	Warrington	PTF	Station Rd, Swinton	WON	32	20
1985	5	11	Hull K.R.	PTF	Elland Rd Leeds	WON	36	36
1993	5	16	Wigan	PTF	Old Trafford, Manchester	WON	10	4

George Nicholls 1976

Geoff Pimblett 1977

Harry Pinner 1985

Chris Joynt 1993

Saints 15 Salford 2

Saints 32 Warrington 20

Saints 36 Hull KR 16

Saints 10 Wigan 4



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11 Lancashire Cup Wins

11 TIMES LANCASHIRE CUP WINNERS

YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETITION	VENUE	RESULT	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST
1926	11	20	St. Helens Recs	LCF	Warrington	WON	10	2
1953	10	24	Wigan	LCF	Swinton	WON	16	8
1960	10	29	Swinton	LCF	Wigan	WON	15	9
1961	11	11	Swinton	LCF	Wigan	WON	25	9
1962	10	27	Swinton	LCF	Wigan	WON	7	4
1963	10	26	Leigh	LCF	Swinton	WON	15	4
1964	10	24	Swinton	LCF	Wigan	WON	12	4
1967	12	2	Warrington	LCF	Wigan	WON	13	10
1968	10	25	Oldham	LCF	Wigan	WON	30	2
1984	10	28	Wigan	LCF	Wigan	WON	26	18
1991	10	20	Rochdale Hornets	LCF	Warrington	WON	24	14

PREV MATCH: v Salford	ST. HELENS ST. HELENS RECS 2	NEXT MATCH: v York		
DATE	COMPETITION	VENUE	ATTENDANCE	(HT)
20th Nov 1926	Lancashire Cup Final	NEUTRAL	19430	HT:10-2
	1 - Charlie Crooks AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 31		2 - George Cotton AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 24	
	WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF	
	3 - Alf Prodsham AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 24		4 - George Lewis AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 29	GOALS 2
	WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF 1931-32 CDF	
	5 - Alf Ellaby AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 23		6 - Les Patreclough AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 24	TRIES 1
	WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF	
	7 - Walter Groves AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 26		8 - Bob Atkin AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 24	
	WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF 1931-32 CDF		WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF 1931-32 CDF	
	9 - Albert Simm AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 36		10 - Lou Houghton AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 23	
	WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF	
	11 - Bill Clarey AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 30		12 - Fred Roffey AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 31	
	WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1926-27 LCF	

PREV MATCH: v Wigan	ST. HELENS 15 SWINTON 9	NEXT MATCH: v Warrington		
DATE	COMPETITION	VENUE	ATTENDANCE	(HT)
29th Oct 1960	Lancashire Cup Final	NEUTRAL	31755	HT:8-2
	1 - Percy Landsberg AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 25		2 - Tom van Vollenhoven AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 25	TRIES 1
	WINNING HONOURS 1960-61 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CCF 1961-62 LCF 1962-63 LCF 1963-64 CDF 1963-64 LCF 1965-66 CDF 1967-68 LCF (reg)	
	3 - Ken Large AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 21		4 - Brian McGinn AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 20	WINNING HONOURS 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CCF 1961-62 LCF
	WINNING HONOURS 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CDF 1961-62 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CCF 1961-62 LCF	
	5 - Jan Prinsloo AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 25		6 - Austin Rhodes AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 23	TRIES 1 GOALS 3
	WINNING HONOURS 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1955-56 CDF 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CDF 1961-62 LCF 1968-69 LCF	
	7 - Alex Murphy AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 21		8 - Abe Terry AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 26	WINNING HONOURS 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CCF
	WINNING HONOURS 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CCF 1961-62 LCF 1963-64 WDF 1964-65 LCF 1965-66 CDF		WINNING HONOURS 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CCF	
	9 - Bob Dagnall AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 28		10 - Fred Leyland AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 25	WINNING HONOURS 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CDF 1961-62 LCF
	WINNING HONOURS 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CDF 1961-62 LCF 1962-63 LCF 1963-64 LCF 1964-65 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CDF 1961-62 LCF	
	11 - Don Vines AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 28		12 - Dick Huddart AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 24	WINNING HONOURS 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CCF 1961-62 LCF 1962-63 LCF
	WINNING HONOURS 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CDF		WINNING HONOURS 1958-59 CDF 1960-61 LCF 1960-61 CCF 1961-62 LCF 1962-63 LCF	

PREV MATCH: v Oldham	WIGAN 19 ST. HELENS 25	NEXT MATCH: v Warrington		
DATE	COMPETITION	VENUE	ATTENDANCE	(HT)
28th Oct 1984	Lancashire Cup Final	AWAY	26074	(HT:22:4)
	1 - Phil Veivers ** AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 20		2 - Barry Ledger AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 22	WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF 1987-88 JPF 1991-92 LCF 1992-93 PTF
	WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF 1987-88 JPF 1991-92 LCF 1992-93 PTF		WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF	
	3 - Shawn Allen AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 19		4 - Mal Meninga AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 24	TRIES 2
	WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF		WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF	
	5 - Sean Day AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 21		6 - Chris Arkwright AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 25	WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF
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	7 - Neil Holding AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 23		8 - Tony Burke AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 23	WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF 1987-88 JPF
	WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF 1987-88 JPF		WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF 1987-88 JPF	
	9 - Graham Liprot AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 29		10 - Peter Gorley AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 32	WINNING HONOURS 1975-76 PTF 1976-77 PTF 1984-85 LCF
	WINNING HONOURS 1975-76 PTF 1976-77 PTF 1984-85 LCF		WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF	
	11 - Andy Platt AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 21		12 - Paul Round AGE AT TIME OF MATCH: 21	WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF 1987-88 JPF
	WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF 1984-85 PTF 1987-88 JPF		WINNING HONOURS 1984-85 LCF	

Other Honours

8 Lancashire League Titles

1929-30, 1931-32, 1952-53,
1959-60, 1964-65, 1965-66,
1966-67, 1968-69

2 BBC2 Floodlit Trophies

14 December 1971
Saints 8 Rochdale Hornets 2

16 December 1975
Saints 22 Dewsbury 2

John Player Trophy 1987-88

9 January 1988

Saints 15 Leeds 14

2 League Leaders Trophies

1964-65

1965-66

European Club Champions

1970-71

St Gaudens 11 Saints 30

Saints 62 St Gaudens 0

Western Division Champions

16 May 1964

Saints 10 Swinton 7

RECORD SAINTS V SELECTED CLUBS

CLUB V CLUB RECORD (MAIN OPPONENTS)

CLUB OPPONENT	MATCHES PLAYED	WON	DRAWN	LOST	% WON	BIGGEST VICTORY DATE	FOR	AGAINST	HEAVIEST DEFEAT DATE	FOR	AGAINST
BARROW	170	109	6	59	64.1%	14 Feb 1959	71	15	29 Dec 1923	5	41
BATLEY	60	30	4	26	50%	30 Mar 2007	78	14	1 Dec 1906	5	30
BLACKPOOL	38	37	1	0	97%	29 Sep 1956	58	5	29 Sep 1962	12	12
BRADFORD	166	106	6	54	64%	4 June 2005	66	4	12 Apr 2004	8	54
BRAMLEY	54	41	1	12	76%	5 Mar 1978	71	7	22 Feb 1938	4	22
BELLE VUE RANGERS/ BROUGHTON	113	59	6	48	52%	11 Apr 1953	38	7	10 Nov 1934	2	31
CASTLEFORD	180	116	8	56	64%	13 Aug 2006	72	4	13 May 2017	10	53
CATALANS DRAGONS	53	32	0	21	60%	3 June 2006	56	10	14 June 2014	0	42
CELTIC CRUSADERS	6	6	0	0	100%	7 Mar 2009	30	0	NA	NA	NA
DEWSBURY	83	68	3	12	82%	11 Oct 1977	51	0	11 Mar 1944	7	43
DONCASTER	11	9	1	1	82%	19 Apr 1969	57	5	21 Aug 1994	20	29
FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	102	69	3	30	68%	22 May 2011	70	0	1 Jan 1944	0	30
GATESHEAD THUNDER	4	2	0	2	50%	30 May 2009	66	6	13 June 1999	20	32
HALIFAX	146	89	5	52	61%	23 Aug 2002	64	0	15 Apr 1944	4	46
LONDON BRONCOS/ HARLEQUINS +	55	46	2	7	84%	5 July 2008	54	0	28 Mar 2003	6	40
HUDDERSFIELD	154	96	4	54	62%	20 Apr 2018	66	4	2 Feb 2013	4	40
HULL FC	183	118	8	57	64%	17 Feb 1988	64	2	5 Apr 1915	6	46
HULL KR	152	92	2	58	61%	21 May 2010	68	12	24 Aug 2024	6	42
HUNSLET	66	34	5	27	52%	1 Mar 1988	70	8	3 Apr 1929	3	53
KEIGHLEY	55	40	0	15	73%	18 Nov 1984	60	8	12 Sep 1942	0	12
LEEDS	236	124	4	106	53%	13 Apr 1994	68	0	23 July 2004	0	70
LEIGH	212	123	10	79	58%	4 Sep 2005	78	4	26 July 2024	4	46
LIVERPOOL CITY/ STANLEY/HUYTON/ RUNCORN HIGHFIELD/ WIGAN HIGHFIELD/ LONDON HIGHFIELD	103	82	3	18	80%	17 Sep 1989	78	10	16 Apr 1938	4	17
OLDHAM	210	108	6	96	51%	27 Apr 2012	76	0	22 Mar 1924	10	48
PARIS ST GERMAIN	5	5	0	0	100%	2 June 1996	52	10	NA	NA	NA
ROCHDALE HORNETS	163	108	10	45	66%	11 May 2007	70	10	4 Apr 1933	0	38
SALFORD	269	172	11	86	64%	15 Feb 2025	82	0	14 Jan 1939	0	37
SHEFFIELD EAGLES	21	14	0	7	67%	18 Aug 1996	68	12	29 Nov 1995	18	32
ST. HELENS RECS	50	22	6	22	44%	30 Sep 1935	21	8	1 Jan 1921	0	39
SWINTON	181	108	7	66	60%	17 Apr 1988	52	4	24 Jan 1925	3	49
TORONTO WOLFPACK	1	1	0	0	100%	29 Feb 2020	32	0	NA	NA	NA
TOULOUSE OLYMPIQUE	4	3	0	1	75%	17 Apr 2010	56	16	19 Mar 2022	20	22
WAKEFIELD	181	115	9	57	64%	12 Aug 2005	60	4	28 Nov 1942	3	36
WARRINGTON	324	179	15	130	55%	4 Jan 1996	80	0	12 Apr 1909	6	78
WHITEHAVEN	66	59	0	7	89%	18 Dec 1948	61	0	21 Oct 1967	6	11
WIDNES	255	139	12	104	55%	20 Apr 2012	62	0	27 Aug 1938	0	29
WIGAN	364	141	18	205	39%	26 June 2005	75	0	26 Dec 1995	4	58
WORKINGTON TOWN	92	53	2	37	58%	6 Feb 2026	98	2	20 Apr 1957	3	26
YORK	42	30	1	11	41%	6 May 2005	62	0	1 Jan 1909	0	16

RECORD SAINTS V CLUBS 100+ MATCHES

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LIVERPOOL CITY/ STANLEY/HUYTON/ RUNCORN HIGHFIELD/ WIGAN HIGHFIELD/ LONDON HIGHFIELD	103	82	3	18	80%	17 Sep 1989	78	10	16 Apr 1938	4	17
FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	102	69	3	30	68%	22 May 2011	70	0	1 Jan 1944	0	30

RECORD SAINTS V SL CLUBS

CLUB V CLUB RECORD (SUPER LEAGUE OPPONENTS)

CLUB OPPONENT	MATCHES PLAYED	WON	DRAWN	LOST	% WON	BIGGEST VICTORY DATE	FOR	AGAINST	HEAVIEST DEFEAT DATE	FOR	AGAINST
BRADFORD BULLS	166	106	6	54	64%	4 June 2005	66	4	12 Apr 2004	8	54
CASTLEFORD	180	116	8	56	64%	13 Aug 2006	72	4	13 May 2017	10	53
CATALANS DRAGONS	53	32	0	21	60%	3 June 2006	56	10	14 June 2014	0	42
CELTIC CRUSADERS	6	6	0	0	100%	7 Mar 2009	30	0	NA	NA	NA
GATESHEAD THUNDER	4	2	0	2	50%	30 May 2009	66	6	13 June 1999	20	32
HALIFAX BLUE SOCKS	146	89	5	52	61%	23 Aug 2002	64	0	15 Apr 1944	4	46
LONDON BRONCOS/ HARLEQUINS +	55	46	2	7	84%	5 July 2008	54	0	28 Mar 2003	6	40
HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	154	96	4	54	62%	20 Apr 2018	66	4	2 Feb 2013	4	40
HULL FC	183	118	8	57	64%	17 Feb 1988	64	2	5 Apr 1915	6	46
HULL KR	152	92	2	58	61%	21 May 2010	68	12	24 Aug 2024	6	42
LEEDS RHINOS	236	124	4	106	53%	13 Apr 1994	68	0	23 July 2004	0	70
LEIGH	212	123	10	79	58%	4 Sep 2005	78	4	26 July 2024	4	46
OLDHAM	210	108	6	96	51%	27 Apr 2012	76	0	22 Mar 1924	10	48
PARIS ST GERMAIN	5	5	0	0	100%	2 June 1996	52	10	NA	NA	NA
SALFORD	269	172	11	86	64%	15 Feb 2025	82	0	14 Jan 1939	0	37
SHEFFIELD EAGLES	21	14	0	7	67%	18 Aug 1996	68	12	29 Nov 1995	18	32
TORONTO WOLFPACK	1	1	0	0	100%	29 Feb 2020	32	0	NA	NA	NA
TOULOUSE OLYMPIQUE	4	3	0	1	75%	17 Apr 2010	56	16	19 Mar 2022	20	22
WAKEFIELD	181	115	9	57	64%	12 Aug 2005	60	4	28 Nov 1942	3	36
WARRINGTON WOLVES	324	179	15	130	55%	4 Jan 1996	80	0	12 Apr 1909	6	78
WIDNES VIKINGS	255	139	12	104	55%	20 Apr 2012	62	0	27 Aug 1938	0	29
WIGAN WARRIORS	364	141	18	205	39%	26 June 2005	75	0	26 Dec 1995	4	58
WORKINGTON TOWN	92	53	2	37	58%	6 Feb 2026	98	2	20 Apr 1957	3	26
YORK	42	30	1	11	41%	6 May 2005	62	0	1 Jan 1909	0	16

RECORD SAINTS V AUSTRALIA

SAINTS V TOURING AUSTRALIA TEAM

YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETITION	VENUE	RESULT	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST
1909	2	10	Australia	Tour	H	WON	9	0
1911	10	14	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	5	16
1921	11	23	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	8	16
1929	11	16	Australia	Tour	H	DRAWN	18	18
1933	12	2	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	11	20
1948	10	14	Australia	Tour	H	WON	10	8
1952	9	27	Australia	Tour	H	WON	26	8
1956	11	24	Australia	Tour	H	WON	44	2
1959	10	10	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	2	15
1960	10	12	Australia	Tour	H	WON	15	12
1963	9	28	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	2	8
1967	10	24	Australia	Tour	H	WON	8	4
1970	11	9	Australia	Tour	H	WON	37	10
1972	11	15	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	9	24
1973	11	13	Australia	Tour	H	WON	11	7
1975	10	12	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	7	32
1978	11	12	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	4	26
1982	10	17	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	0	32
1986	11	2	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	8	32
1990	10	7	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	4	34
1994	11	1	Australia	Tour	H	LOST	14	32
PLAYED	21							
WON	8	38%					266	356
LOST	12	57%						
DRAWN	1	5%						

NOTABLE PLAYERS - INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - APPEARANCES

James Roby	551	117	1	1	Whiston
Kelvin Thomas Coslett	531	45	1639	0	Bynea- Wales
Eric Chisnall	524	70	0	0	St. Helens
William Benyon	514	154	1	0	St. Helens
Keiron Cunningham	496	175	0	0	St. Helens
Paul Simon Wellens	495	231	40	1	St. Helens
Douglas Greenall	487	188	14	0	St. Helens
Leslie Jones	485	283	0	0	St. Helens
William Briers	463	109	0	0	St. Helens
John Mantle	435	69	2	0	Cardiff - Wales
George Francis Lewis	428	45	850	0	Pontwyn Abersychan Monmouthshire, Wales
Jon Wilkin	424	94	0	2	Hull
Roy Mathias	412	218	0	0	Llanelli- Wales
Karel Thomas van Vollenhoven	409	392	0	0	Bethlehem- SA
George Alan Prescott	404	31	0	0	Widnes
Robert Atkin	401	9	0	0	Budworth, Derbyshire
Graham Liptrot	389	32	0	0	St. Helens
Christopher Michael Joynt	382	121	0	0	Wigan

“Invariably the greatest players in any sport are the ones who have played the most matches.”

<i>James Roby</i>			
OVERALL STATISTICS			
BIRTH	AGE	SIGNED ON	FROM
22-11-1985	N/A	-----	Blackbrook ARL
DEBUT		LAST MATCH	
19-03-2004 v Widnes Vikings		Catalans Dragons	
		2023- when he Retired	
CAREER		APPEARANCES (SUBS)	
2004-2023		551 (143)	
TRIES	GOALS	DGOALS	PTS
117	1	1	471



James Roby emerged from the Saints Academy to become one of the all time great impact players. His diminutive stature belied his great physical strength and flexibility. When this is combined with sensational footwork and a great turn of pace then the result is a player of the highest order.

He made his Saints debut in March 2004 aged 18 and his inexorable rise saw him represent Great Britain before his 21st birthday. James was skilfully used to work in tandem with the mesmeric Keiron Cunningham at dummy half. Typically KC would start a match to organise and drive the pack forward and then as the opposition flagged Robes would emerge from the dugout to tantalise defences with his speed and guile. This hooker combination provided the platform for many Saints victories at the time.

The 2007 season saw Robes become the Man of Steel. His statistics from that year provide chilling reading for opposition teams. He was the top man for forward progression notching up over 3300 metres over the season. James was also high in the charts of tacklers, making an average of 26 tackles per match. He also made an impressive 80 busts and offloaded to colleagues 43 times. Amazing indicators, but when you consider that he was only on the pitch for half the match then the mind boggles. That season also saw James become the first try scorer at the new Wembley Stadium as he stepped, broke tackles

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[James Roby](#)

16 Saints have played more than 400 matches in their careers for our Club. With player welfare in mind and only a maximum of 30 odd matches per season it is highly unlikely that many more will be added to this roll of honour.

NOTABLE PLAYERS - INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - TRIES

Player Name	Appearances	Tries	Goals	Drop Goals	Birthplace
Karel Thomas van Vollenhoven	409	392	0	0	Bethlehem- SA
Leslie Jones	485	283	0	0	St. Helens
Alfred Edward Ellaby	289	280	0	0	St. Helens
Stewart Marshall Llewellyn	287	239	0	0	Abertillery- Wales
Paul Simon Wellens	495	231	40	1	St. Helens
Roy Mathias	412	218	0	0	Llanelli- Wales
Anthony Clive Sullivan	305	213	5	0	Hull
Tommy Makinson	336	207	280	1	Wigan
Alan Christopher Hunte	244	189	0	0	Wakefield
Douglas Greenall	487	188	14	0	St. Helens
Alexander James Murphy	320	175	42	0	St. Helens
Keiron Cunningham	496	175	0	0	St. Helens
Frank Harvey Wilson	310	175	0	0	Cardiff- Wales
Roy Arthur Hardgrave	212	173	0	0	New Plymouth, NZ
Adrian Gardner	286	173	0	0	Barrow
Sean Bernard Long	331	156	989	23	Wigan
William Benyon	514	154	1	0	St. Helens

“The players who have scored the most tries usually possess speed, elusiveness and anticipation. ”



Karel Thomas van Vollenhoven by Dave Dooley:

“The Idol of them all,” say the lyrics to the Vollenhoven Calypso - a seven inch record released to coincide with his Testimonial Season in 1967/68. It has always been a matter of debate as to whether the Flying Springbok was, actually, the best winger of his generation in English Rugby League. Wigan fans point to the block-busting ability of Billy Boston, while over at Wilderspool, Brian Bevan was breaking all try-scoring records with his particularly unorthodox - some would say freakish - attacking style. Yet Tom Van Vollenhoven is without question the greatest winger to wear the famous red and white jersey, although, once again, Alf Ellaby a star of the late 1920s, is also championed by a host of Knowsley Road greybeards!

Tommy Vol was truly a phenomenon, with 392 tries in 408 appearances - says it all, doesn't it! A blond, crew-cutted figure, who possessed terrific pace and athletic ability, he was also extremely strong for his size. Apart from finishing with aplomb if given even minimal space down the touchline, there was no contest - three points every time! He could conjure up tries from the most unlikely scenarios, regardless of the craft and skill of his centres.

Those who witnessed his incredible three-try performance against Hunslet in the 1959 Championship Final at Odsal could scarcely believe what they were seeing. Until Tom's intervention, there was a real chance that the Yorkshiremen would have snatched the initiative - and he notched up his hat-trick despite the pain of a torn hamstring, that took most of the close season to heal. What he would have been like fully fit is anybody's guess!

He was nursed in gently in his early days at Knowsley Road by legendary centre Duggie Greenall, although his most famous touchdown involved superb interplay with another fine threequarter, Ken Large, at Wembley in the 1961 Challenge Cup Final against Wigan. He played in two Wembley finals, both against the Old Enemy, with Saints lifting the coveted trophy each time.

Tom was also a superb defensive wingman, rushing over to the other flank to pull off many a try-saving tackle. It is this aspect of his game that certainly took him past Ellaby, who was not a particularly good defensive wingman. He was, however, first and foremost a winger. He had spells at centre and even one game at full-back, but it didn't suit. Inevitably, injury took its toll by the mid 1960s. His opponents would do anything to stop him, such as the ferocious stiff-arm unleashed by Huddersfield's Peter Ramsden, during a particularly ill-tempered cup tie at Knowsley Road in 1963, which saw Voll lying prostrate on the turf like a spent balloon. He was reduced to the status of a 'very good' club player during his final season in 1967/68, although he was still capable of notching three tries in his last appearance against Wigan at Knowsley Road. His final game of rugby league was guesting for Great Britain in a trial match for the 1968 World Cup, at Thrum Hall, Halifax.

Back in 1957, the 'Vollenhoven Effect' was immediate, with Tom scoring on his debut against Leeds at Knowsley Road and he was able to add much-needed 'pep' to a side that had previously been under criticism for its negative forward-orientated football. Of course, all that was soon to change. The Saints went on to produce one of the great displays of attacking football in the 1959 Championship Final, with fellow-South African Jan Prinsloo on the other flank. His signing, a top-secret affair from under the noses of the Rugby Union authorities - and under intense competition from Wigan - is a story in itself. Credit to the initiative and drive of former Chairman Harry Cook on that score. I'm sure that even Cook could not have really foreseen what an effect this fellow would have on the team and the town! It was always a nervous time if Tom went home for the Summer. We were only really happy once he returned! He was the obvious choice to front the club's Centenary celebrations in 1990 and spent almost three hours the day before signing up to five hundred autographs at the Saints' Exhibition at the Museum. Fans queued around the block to meet him. You were left in no doubt, some twenty two years after he had last put on a Saints' jersey, what he will always mean to the people of St. Helens - a genuine superstar!

Click name to find out more about

[Tom Van Vollenhoven](#)

“ Saints supporters have much to be thankful for, not just having had the privilege of witnessing great individual tries but some of the greatest ever team tries ever scored in our sport. ”

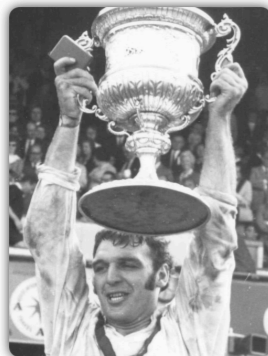
NOTABLE PLAYERS - INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - GOALS

Player Name	Appearances	Tries	Goals	Drop Goals	Birthplace	Date of Birth
Kelvin Thomas Coslett	531	45	1639	0	Bynea- Wales	14-01-1942
Sean Bernard Long	331	156	989	23	Wigan	24-09-1976
George Francis Lewis	428	45	850	0	Pontwyn Abersychan, Monmouthshire, Wales	09-08-1897
Paul John Loughlin	298	80	842	0	St. Helens	28-07-1966
Austin Rhodes	265	97	815	0	St. Helens	25-02-1937
Geoffrey Pimblett	365	48	608	25	St. Helens	11-05-1944
Robert Dennis Goulding	117	25	548	13	Widnes	04-02-1972
Len Killeen	187	115	408	0	Port Elizabeth- SA	19-11-1938
Paul Sculthorpe	261	113	392	10	Burnley	22-09-1977
Mark Percival	266	129	383	0	Widnes	29-04-1994
Stanley J. Powell	194	49	316	0	Newport, Monmouthshire, Wales	19-07-1916
James Stott	193	65	295	0	Rainhill, St Helens	15-11-1919
Lachlan Coote	66	34	284	1	Windsor, New South Wales	06-04-1990
Tommy Makinson	336	207	280	1	Wigan	10-10-1991
Clive Ronald Griffiths	101	11	276	8	Loughor- Wales	02-04-1954
Jamie Andrew Foster	53	34	241	0	St Helens	27-07-1990
Peter Metcalfe	71	29	234	0	St. Helens	05-11-1931
Jamie Lyon	63	46	213	0	Wee Waa, Aus	24-01-1982
John George Langfield	55	9	205	0	Castleford	12-01-1922
Hubert Sydney Jum Turtill	140	3	204	0	Mile End Old Town, London	01-02-1880



<i>Kel Coslett</i>			
OVERALL STATISTICS			
BIRTH	AGE	SIGNED ON	FROM
14-01-1942	N/A	04-07-1962	Aberavon RU- Wales
DEBUT		LAST MATCH	
18-08-1962 v Salford		Salford	
CAREER		APPEARANCES (SUBS)	
1962-1975		531 (12)	
TRIES	GOALS	DGOALS	PTS
45	1639	0	3413

Biography of Kel Coslett



Kelvin Thomas Coslett by Dave Dooley.

Kel Coslett is synonymous with Saints' great golden period in the 1960s and 1970s. His exploits are legendary and he holds many individual records at the club including most ever career appearances, greatest career and season points total and greatest number of goals kicked in a career or season. Kel was a player who evolved from a full back to the back row in the forwards and at the end of his career moved effortlessly into the prop forward position. His abilities and knowledge of the game were greatly refined over the years and it was natural that he became the captain of the club through the successful first half of the 1970s.

This amiable Welshman became a Saint in the summer of 1962. He was signed from Aberavon RU club after completing a rare Championship winning season with them and gaining three Welsh international caps. His first season at the Saints was nothing short of phenomenal. Kel recalls his debut game for the Saints against Salford:

"As soon as the match finished, I knew I could cut it in rugby league."

That first season Kel played in every match from the full back position and scored in all but one. That black hole was towards the end of the season on 20th of April, 1963 (Shortly after the big thaw - when Saints seemed to be playing every other day!). In a home league game against Featherstone Rovers Saints scored 2 tries and won the match by 10 points to 5. Kel finished his

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[Kel Coslett](#)

NOTABLE PLAYERS - INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - DROP GOALS

Player Name	Appearances	Tries	Goals	Drop Goals	Birthplace	Date of Birth	Career
Harold Pinner	333	78	140	73	St. Helens	26-09-1956	1975-1986
Neil Thomas Holding	343	145	84	44	Whiston	15-12-1960	1977-1989
Geoffrey Pimblett	365	48	608	25	St. Helens	11-05-1944	1970-1978
Thomas Lee Martyn	211	127	105	24	Leigh	04-06-1971	1993-2003
Sean Bernard Long	331	156	989	23	Wigan	24-09-1976	1997-2009
Augustine Michael O'Donnell	49	2	0	20	Wigan	11-12-1970	1992-1993
Roy Anthony Haggerty	365	115	0	20	St. Helens	22-03-1960	1979-1990
Robert Dennis Goulding	117	25	548	13	Widnes	04-02-1972	1994-1998
Paul Bishop	51	16	70	11	Leeds	05-07-1967	1990-1991
Paul Sculthorpe	261	113	392	10	Burnley	22-09-1977	1998-2008
Luke Walsh	64	15	198	10	Newcastle NSW Australia	12-05-1987	2014-
Danny Richardson	59	10	175	9	Widnes	02-09-1996	2017-2019
Barry D Ledger	214	112	79	9	St. Helens	19-01-1962	1981-1987
Clive Ronald Griffiths	101	11	276	8	Loughor- Wales	02-04-1954	1979-1983
Jonny Lomax	378	142	131	7	Billinge	04-09-1990	2009----
Shane David Cooper	271	76	0	6	Auckland- NZ	26-05-1962	1987-1994
Karle Hammond	111	50	0	5	Widnes	25-04-1974	1995-1998
Philip James Veivers	381	98	0	5	Beaudesert- Aus	25-05-1964	1984-1996
Peter Glynn	258	118	86	5	Widnes	07-01-1954	1975-1982
Matthew Joseph Smith	49	5	10	4	Whiston	23-07-1987	2006-2008
Oswald Jones	61	11	24	4	Cadaxton, Wales	26-08-1910	1935-1937
James William Jacques	50	6	25	4	Hull, Yorkshire	03-07-1871	1895-1896

FOUR FOR HARRY

On the 25th of February 1984 Harry dropped four goals and scored a try in a Challenge Cup tie against Hull FC. You can find the link to the match [here](#).

Harry was one of only a few Saints to captain Great Britain. He accomplished this in the 1985 series against New Zealand.

Harry Pinner			
OVERALL STATISTICS			
BIRTH	AGE	SIGNED ON	FROM
26-09-1956	N/A	03-10-1974	St. Helens Colts
DEBUT		LAST MATCH	
17-03-1976 v Wakefield Trinity		Salford	
CAREER		APPEARANCES (SUBS)	
1975-1986		332 (10)	
TRIES	GOALS	DGOALS	PTS
78	140	73	604

Biography of Harry Pinner



Harold Pinner by Dave Dooley.

Harry Pinner was one of the best ball distributors ever to don a Saints' jersey. His brilliant reading of the game, timely p and tactical kicking were often the difference between Saints and the opposition. After graduating through the Saints Harry burst onto the scene at the conclusion of the treble winning 1975/76 season. The team were faced with a back fixtures during April 1976 and Harry was pitched into the first team. Supporters soon became aware of his extensive ability he seemed to take charge as try-making moves readily emanated from his attacking and probing style of play that created many breaks for his colleagues. He was to become one of Saints' all time greats in the key loose forward position.

It did not take Harry a long time to find himself on the score-sheet. The day after Saints had scraped home in the Challenge Cup semi-final against Keighley, Saints had a league fixture at Warrington. Eric Ashton used the opportunity to give young players like Liptrot, Ashton, Billy Platt and Harry. With some players backing up from the previous day's turmoil, few gave Sa chance. The young blond-haired nineteen year-old Harry was revelation, helping himself to a great try and inspiring colleagues to come away with a 16 points to 10 victory. His form during the month was so impressive that he was selected substitute for the Premiership Final, as Saints out-powered Salford by 15 points to 2.

For the next ten seasons Harry was an automatic choice for the number 13 jersey. His full repertoire was on view during the 1976/77 season as he made countless breaks, scored tries, kicked goals and was on hand to land a couple of drop goals. In

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[Harry Pinner](#)

NOTABLE PLAYERS - INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - POINTS

	Player Name	Points	Birthplace	Date of Birth	Career
1	Kelvin Thomas Coslett	3413	Bynea- Wales	14-01-1942	1962-1975
2	Sean Bernard Long	2625	Wigan	24-09-1976	1997-2009
3	Paul John Loughlin	2004	St. Helens	28-07-1966	1983-1995
4	Austin Rhodes	1921	St. Helens	25-02-1937	1954-1961
5	George Francis Lewis	1835	Pontwyn Abersychan, Monmouthshire, Wales	09-08-1897	1921-1935
6	Tommy Makinson	1389	Wigan	10-10-1991	2011-2024
7	Geoffrey Pimblett	1388	St. Helens	11-05-1944	1970-1978
8	Mark Percival	1282	Widnes	29-04-1994	2013-
9	Paul Sculthorpe	1246	Burnley	22-09-1977	1998-2008
10	Robert Dennis Goulding	1209	Widnes	04-02-1972	1994-1998
11	Karel Thomas van Vollenhoven	1176	Bethlehem- SA	29-04-1935	1957-1967
12	Len Killeen	1161	Port Elizabeth- SA	19-11-1938	1962-1966
13	Paul Simon Wellens	1005	St. Helens	27-02-1980	1998----
14	Anthony Clive Sullivan	862	Hull	23-11-1968	1991-2001
15	Leslie Jones	849	St. Helens	19-07-1948	1966-1981
16	Alfred Edward Ellaby	840	St. Helens	24-11-1902	1925-1933
17	Jonny Lomax	837	Billinge	04-09-1990	2009----
18	James Stott	785	Rainhill, St Helens	15-11-1919	1939-1952
19	Stanley J. Powell	775	Newport, Monmouthshire, Wales	19-07-1916	1935-1945
20	Alan Christopher Hunte	756	Wakefield	11-07-1970	1988-1997
21	Thomas Lee Martyn	742	Leigh	04-06-1971	1993-2003
22	Neil Thomas Holding	739	Whiston	15-12-1960	1977-1989

METICULOUS

Reverse Chasse, silence appeal

Toe end contact, skyward bound

Fluttering flags, half turn reel

The Coslett method, no longer found

Communal gasps, reaction unreal

Two more points on Kel's Welsh Crown

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[Kel Coslett](#)



COACHES OF THE SAINTS 1946-1996

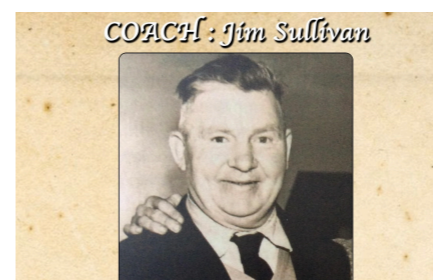
	Oliver Dolan	Coach from : Aug 31st 1946 to Jun 07th 1947
	Alf Frodsham	Coach from : Aug 23rd 1947 to Apr 25th 1949
	Peter Lyons	Coach from : Aug 20th 1949 to Jan 13th 1951
	Emlyn Jenkins	Coach from : Jan 20th 1951 to Jan 12th 1952
	Peter Lyons	Coach from : Jan 19th 1952 to Apr 20th 1952
	Jim Sullivan	Coach from : Aug 01st 1952 to Jul 31st 1959
	Alan Prescott	Coach from : Aug 01st 1959 to Jul 31st 1962
	Stan McCormick	Coach from : Aug 01st 1962 to Jul 31st 1964
	Joe Coan	Coach from : Aug 01st 1964 to Aug 01st 1967
	Cliff Evans	Coach from : Aug 01st 1967 to Jul 31st 1970
	Jim Challinor	Coach from : Aug 01st 1970 to Jul 31st 1974
	Eric Ashton	Coach from : Aug 01st 1974 to Jul 31st 1980
	Kel Coslett	Coach from : Aug 01st 1980 to Jul 31st 1982
	Billy Benyon	Coach from : Aug 01st 1982 to Oct 31st 1985
	Alex Murphy	Coach from : Nov 01st 1985 to Jan 31st 1990
	Mike McClellan	Coach from : Feb 01st 1990 to Jul 31st 1993
	Eric Hughes	Coach from : Aug 01st 1993 to Jan 21st 1996

SAINTS' COACHES 1946 TO 1996 PRE SUPER LEAGUE

FIRST NAME	SURNAME	ERA	MATCHES	WINS	LOSSES	DRAWNS	% WINS	CHAMPIONS	CHALLENGE CUP WINNERS	LANCASHIRE CUP WINNERS	LANCASHIRE LEAGUE WINS	PREMIERSHIP WINNERS	OTHER COMPETITION WINS	TOTAL WINNING TROPHIES
JACK	BRADBURY	1945-6	42	15	26	1	35.7							0
OLIVER	DOLAN	1946-7	41	15	25	1	36.8							0
ALF	FRODSHAM	1947-49	87	48	36	3	55.2							0
PETER	LYONS (2)	1949-51 JAN-APR 1952	88	52	32	4	59.1							0
EMLYN	JENKINS	1951-52	46	24	19	3	52.1							0
JIM	SULLIVAN	1952-59	328	248	69	11	75.6	2	1	1	1			5
ALAN	PRESCOTT	1959-62	142	108	31	3	76.1		1	3	1			5
STAN	MCCORMICK	1962-64	92	66	23	3	71.7			2			WDC	3
JOE	COAN	1964-67	144	108	29	7	75	1	1		3		LLDRS (2)	8
CLIFF	EVANS	1967-70	149	108	33	8	72.5	1		2	1			4
JIM	CHALLINOR	1970-74	210	155	45	10	73.8	1	1				BBC, EC	4
ERIC	ASHTON	1974-1980	297	183	90	14	61.6	1	1			2	BBC	5
KEL	COSLETT	1980-82	80	41	35	4	51.2							0
BILLY	BENYON	1982-85	150	94	48	8	62.6			1		1		2
ALEX	MURPHY	1985-90	185	121	58	6	65.4						RT	1
MIKE	MCCLENNAN	1990-93	139	94	40	5	67.6			1		1		2
ERIC	HUGHES	1993-96	105	63	41	4	60							0

JIM SULLIVAN

The legendary Wigan full back crossed Billinge Lump to coach the Saints in the early 1950s. One could easily argue that this coaching wizard has paved the way for the tremendous success over the past 74 years. No other coach has been in charge of a Saints team for more matches. Under his reign the Club won two Championships, the Challenge Cup for the first time and defeated Wigan in their first ever Final clash to lift the Lancashire Cup.



SL COACHES OF THE SAINTS 1996-2025

	<u>Shaun McRae</u>
	<u>Ellery Hanley</u>
	<u>Ian Millward</u>
	<u>Daniel Anderson</u>
	<u>Mick Potter</u>
	<u>Royce Simmons</u>
	<u>Mike Rush</u>
	<u>Nathan Brown</u>
	<u>Keiron Cunningham</u>
	<u>Justin Holbrook</u>
	<u>Kristian Woolf</u>
	<u>Paul Wellens</u>

SAINTS' COACHES 1996-2025 SUPER LEAGUE

FIRST NAME	SURNAME	ERA	MATCHES	WINS	LOSSES	DRAWNS	% WINS	CHAMPIONS	CHALLENGE CUP WINNERS	LEAGUE LEADERS	WORLD CLUB CHAMPIONS	TOTAL WINNING TROPHIES
SHAUN	McRAE	1996-98	102	69	31	2	67.6	1	2			3
ELLERY	HANLEY	1999-2000	45	30	15	0	66.7	1				1
IAN	MILLWARD	2000-2005	207	146	56	5	70.5	2	2		1	5
DANIEL	ANDERSON	2005-08	123	98	24	1	79.7	1	3	4	1	9
MICK	POTTER	2009-10	72	53	19	0	73.6					0
ROYCE	SIMMONS	2011-12	44	26	14	4	59.1					0
MIKE	RUSH	MAY-DEC 2012	25	18	6	1	72					0
NATHAN	BROWN	2013-14	66	46	23	1	63.6	1		1		2
KEIRON	CUNNINGHAM	2015-17	80	46	33	1	57.5					0
JUSTIN	HOLBROOK	MAY 2017-19	91	71	20	0	78	1		2		3
KRISTIAN	WOOLF	2020-22	80	61	19	0	76.2	3	1	1		5
PAUL	WELLENS	2023-25	95	61	34	0	64.2				1	1
PAUL	ROWLEY	2026										

TOP FIVE WINNING COACHES (%)

1. DANIEL ANDERSON
2. JUSTIN HOLBROOK
3. KRISTIAN WOOLF
4. ALAN PRESCOTT
5. JUM SULLIVAN

COACH: Daniel Anderson



IMPRESSIVE PLAYER PERFORMANCES

MEN OF STEEL

1978 GEORGE NICHOLLS

2000 SEAN LONG

**2001 2002 PAUL
SCULTHORPE**

2005 JAMIE LYON

2006 PAUL WELLENS

2007 JAMES ROBY

2008 JAMES GRAHAM

2018 BEN BARBA

GEORGE NICHOLLS

World class international forward was the first Saints to win the coveted Man of Steel award. George also won the Lance Todd Trophy and Harry Sunderland Trophy. In 1972 he played a key role in helping Great Britain win the World Cup. Quite a chap! Read more about him [here](#)...



LANCE TODD TROPHY WINNERS

1956 ALAN PRESCOTT

1961 DIK HUDDART

1966 LEN KILLEEN

1972 KEL COSLETT

1976 GEOFF PIMBLETT

1978 GEORGE NICHOLLS

1997 TOMMY MARTYN

2001 2004 2006 SEAN LONG

2007 PAUL WELLENS LEON PRYCE

2008 PAUL WELLENS

SEAN LONG

The Saints' second highest points scorer is the only player ever to win the Lance Todd Trophy three times. A glance at Sean's trophy haul below will leave you in doubt as to his status as one of our best ever players.

Read about him in detail...

[Sean Long](#)

One can get carried away when discussing players who collect points for fun but such references do highlight the importance of such players in bringing silverware to any club. Sean has scored 20 points in a match no fewer than 16 times. He has played for Great Britain on seven occasions and represented England in the 2000 World Cup. In four successive matches from July 16th. to August 6th. 2000, Sean scored over 20 points for the Club. Sean Long was the quintessential man for all seasons!

Dave Dooley

PLAYER HONOURS								
	 1999 SLGF	 2000 SLGF	 2001 WCC	 2001 SCCC	 2002 SLGF	 2004 PCCF	 2006 PCCF	 2006 SLGF
	 2007 WCC	 2007 CCCF	 2008 CCCF					

RECORD POINTS IN A MATCH

SAINTS 112 V CARLISLE 0

September 14th 1986

Not only did this match register the highest points scored by any Saints' team, it also established individual goals and points records for classy, international centre Paul Loughlin. In this game Paul scored two tries and booted over 16 goals for a match tally of 40 points.



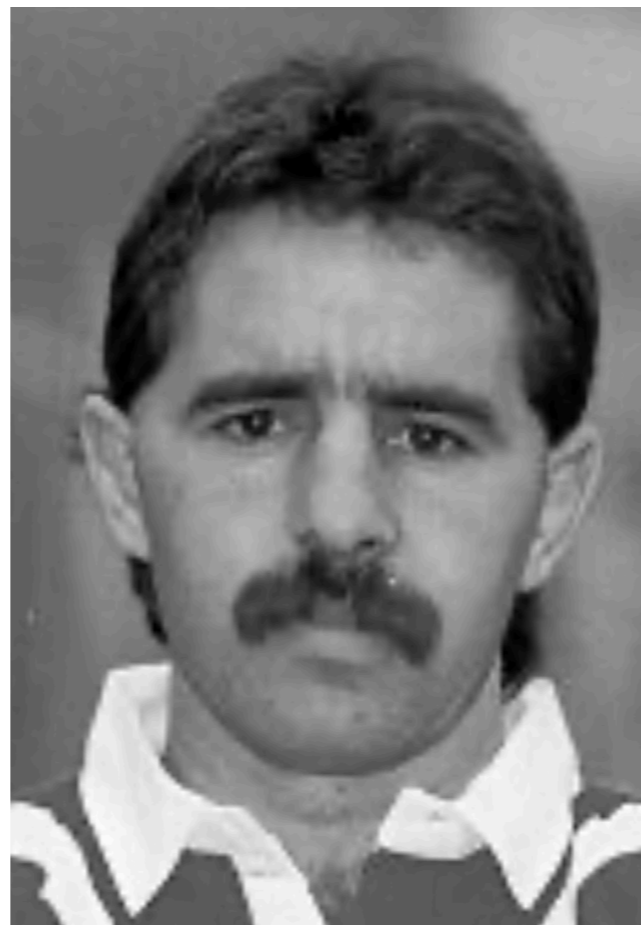
Find out more about this player by clicking the link below

[Paul Loughlin](#)

SIX TRIES IN ONE MATCH

One might be forgiven in anticipating that such a feat would lie uniquely with the speedy wingers brigade. Not so at the Saints.

Even though our elite wingers Alf Ellaby, Steve Llewellyn and Tom Van Vollenhoven achieved this feat, they are joined on the rostrum by a couple of sensational stand offs - Frank Myler and Shane Cooper.



SHANE COOPER

Cheeky Kiwi, lovely footballer and natural leader. Led the Saints back to the Trophy Trail in the later 1980s and early 1990s.



FRANK MYLER

The last player to captain a winning Touring Team to Australia in 1970. Marvellous attacking player and great tactician on the field.

WELL ATTENDED - POST - WAR KNOWSLEY ROAD CROWDS

This period was a boom time for sport in the U.K. The Saints' supporters rolled up in their thousands to witness a revival in the club's fortunes. Five digit attendances were the norm for home matches against all opponents.

In the incredible 1952-53 season when the Saints were crowned Champions, under the tutelage of Jim Sullivan, the Knowsley Road ground hosted crowds of over 35000 against Wigan and Oldham, 32000 against Huddersfield and even 16000 against minnows Liverpool City.

RECORD CROWD

The record Saints' home crowd occurred on Boxing Day 1949 when 35695 crammed the terraces to see their heroes defeat Wigan by 15 points to 8. They witnessed a masterclass from centre Jimmy Stott and a spectacular try from world record transfer winger Stan McCormick.

The link for the match is [here](#)



ST HELENS RFC TIMELINE

1873

St Helens RFC founded at the Fleece Hotel, St. Helens.



1874

Saints play Liverpool Royal Infirmary at Boundary Road in their first match.



1885

Saints move grounds to the St Helens Cricket Club fields in Bishop Road.



1889

NZ Maoris defeat the Saints under floodlights at Bishop Road by 9 points to nil.



1890

The Club move to Knowsley Road, their home for the next 120 years.



1895

The Saints join the Northern Union and a new sport is born.



1897

The Saints lose in the Final of the first ever Challenge Cup Final to Batley.

1909

Australia play the Saints on their first ever tour and go down 9-0 to the Saints.

1919

The first ever NU match against local rivals St. Helens Recs is played.

ST HELENS RFC TIMELINE

1920

The new pavillion at Knowsley Road is opened by Lord Derby.



1926

Saints defeat local rivals Recs in Warrington to lift the Lancashire Cup.



1928

Seven stars from the Saints and Recs are selected for the Tour down under.



1932

Saints become Champions for the first time by defeating Huddersfield.



1949

A record Boxing Day crowd of 35695 see Saints defeat Wigan by 15 points to 8.



1952

In a shock move Wigan legend Jim Sullivan joins Saints as their coach.



1953

After remaining unbeaten in away league games Saints are crowned Champions.

1956

Saints defeat Halifax at Wembley to lift their first ever Challenge Cup.

1957

Saints sign South African RU star winger Tom van Vollenhoven for £7250.

ST HELENS RFC TIMELINE

1959

Saints score over 1000 points in a league season and become Champions.



1961

Saints defeat Wigan at Wembley and Vollenhoven scores a wonderful try.



1964

Saints defeat Swinton to lift the Lancashire Cup for a fifth successive year.



1966

Saints captained by Alex Murphy win four trophies in one season.



1971

Saints become back to back Champions with a last minute Benyon try.



1972

Saints lift the Challenge Cup in a pulsating Final against Leeds.



1975

Saints lose only 3 matches in the league campaign and are once more Champions.

1976

Saints' Dad's Army win the Challenge Cup and Premiership Trophy.

1984/5

Crowds return as Meninga inspires Lancashire Cup and Premiership victories.

ST HELENS RFC TIMELINE

1986

Saints record a 112 to nil scoreline against Carlisle in a Lancashire Cup match.



2000

Saints defeat Wigan in the Grand Final as first back to back SL Champions.



2002

A Sean Long drop goal seals a one point Grand Final win over Bradford.

1996

Super League starts and Saints win a Challenge Cup and Championship double.



2001

Saints defeat Brisbane in a Bolton blizzard to become World Club Champions.



2004

Millward's men beat Wigan to lift the Challenge Cup at Millennium Stadium Cardiff.

1999

Ellery Hanley coaches the team to the first ever Grand Final win at Old Trafford.



2001

Saints defeat Bradford in Challenge Cup Final held at Twickenham Stadium.



2006

Saints lose only four matches in a season when all trophies were won.

ST HELENS RFC TIMELINE

2007

Saints beat Brisbane again to become World Club champions.



2008

Hull FC beaten as Saints win the Challenge Cup for a third successive year.



2012

Saints move into the brand new Langtree Park Stadium in St. Helens.



2014

Saints defeat Wigan in the Grand Final at Old Trafford by 14 points to 6.



2019

Holbrook's league leader's team lift the Super League crown against Salford.



2020

Jack Welsby scores an incredible late try to make Saints Champions again.



2021

Catalans fail to steal the Champion's crown from the Saints at Old Trafford.

2022

Woolf's side become Champions for a fourth successive year.

2023

Saints defeat Penrith in their own back yard to become WCC Champions.

ST HELENS RFC WOMEN

HISTORY

The team was founded in 2013 as a section of the great community RL club, Thatto Heath Crusaders. In their inaugural season in the Womens Rugby League, the team topped the league winning 10 of their 11 matches and were victorious in their first Womens Grand Final. The Thatto Heath Crusaders then proceeded to win the next three Grand Finals in 2014, 2015 and 2016. Furthermore the team enjoyed equal success in the Women's Challenge Cup being victorious in four consecutive seasons from 2013 to 2016.

In 2017 the competition was rebranded as the Womens Super League and the Crusaders finished second in the league to an unbeaten Bradford Bulls. In 2018 the team was integrated into the St. Helens RFC organisation, with Thatto Heath Crusaders supplying the vast majority of players for the newly named team.

The Womens Super League has attracted sponsorship from Coral and Betfred with television coverage courtesy of the BBC. The records maintained by the SHS encompass the matches undertaken since 2018.

HONOURS

CHAMPIONS

2013

2014

2015

2016

2021

CHALLENGE CUP

2013

2014

2015

2016

2021

2022

2023

2024

LEAGUE LEADERS

2013

2016

2021

2024



Emily Rudge (THC) and Amy Hardcastle (Bradford Bulls) in an early WRL tussle



2018 Saints Women Squad

SAINTS WOMEN'S RECORD

SAINTS WOMEN V OPPONENTS RECORD

CLUB OPPONENT	MATCHES PLAYED	WON	DRAWN	LOST	% WON	BIGGEST VICTORY DATE	FOR	AGAINST	HEAVIEST DEFEAT DATE	FOR	AGAINST
ARMY RL	1	1	0	0	100	27 Mar 2022	88	0	NA	NA	NA
BARROW RAIDERS	5	5	0	0	100	23 Aug 2025	90	0	NA	NA	NA
BRADFORD BULLS	5	5	0	0	100	18 Apr 2021	86	0	NA	NA	NA
CARDIFF DEMONS	1	1	0	0	100	19 Apr 2025	54	0	NA	NA	NA
CASTLEFORD TIGERS	9	6	1	2	67	7 May 2023	106	0	12 May 2019	14	30
FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	8	8	0	0	100	24 Apr 2022	82	0	NA	NA	NA
HUDDRSFIELD GIANTS	11	11	0	0	100	2 May 2021	90	0	NA	NA	NA
HULL FC	1	1	0	0	100	3 June 2018	78	0	NA	NA	NA
LEEDS RHINOS	21	12	2	7	57	10 Oct 2021	28	0	3 Sep 2022	22	34
LEIGH LEOPARDS	2	2	0	0	100	19 July 2025	80	0	NA	NA	NA
LONDON BRONCOS	3	3	0	0	100	26 Apr 2025	78	0	NA	NA	NA
STANNINGLEY LADIES	1	1	0	0	100	26 May 2019	96	0	NA	NA	NA
WAKEFIELD TRINITY	2	2	0	0	100	2 June 2019	66	0	NA	NA	NA
WARRINGTON WOLVES	11	11	0	0	100	7 June 2025	102	0	NA	NA	NA
WIGAN WARRIORS	17	10	1	6	59	19 Sep 2021	52	0	7 June 2025	6	42
YORK VALKYRIE	19	14	0	5	74	30 June 2019	60	6	16 Apr 2023	6	26

SAINTS WOMEN'S RIVALS

SAINTS WOMEN V CASTLEFORD RECORD

MATCH #	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETOTION	VENUE	RESULT	PTS FOR	PTS AGAINST
7	2018	6	17	Castleford Tigers	WSL	A	DRAWN	14	14
8	2018	7	1	Castleford Tigers	CCQF	A	LOST	16	30
14	2018	9	28	Castleford Tigers	WSL	H	WON	24	14
18	2019	5	12	Castleford Tigers	WSL	A	LOST	14	30
30	2019	9	29	Castleford Tigers	WSL	H	WON	20	14
38	2021	7	5	Castleford Tigers	WSL	N	WON	38	6
41	2021	9	12	Castleford Tigers	WSL	A	WON	50	6
43	2021	9	26	Castleford Tigers	WLSLF	H	WON	58	0
62	2023	5	7	Castleford Tigers	CC GROUP 4	A	WON	106	0
	PLAYED	9		WON 67%					
	WON	6							
	DRAWN	1							
	LOST	2							

SAINTS WOMEN'S RIVALS

SAINTS WOMEN V LEEDS RHINOS RECORD

MATCH #	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETOTION	VENUE	RESULT	PTS FOR	PTS AGAINST
5	2018	5	20	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	H	WON	20	14
13	2018	9	9	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	A	LOST	6	12
22	2019	7	7	Leeds Rhinos	CCSF	H	LOST	10	16
23	2019	7	21	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	A	WON	30	12
28	2019	9	8	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	H	DRAWN	20	20
31	2019	10	6	Leeds Rhinos	WSLSF	H	LOST	14	18
36	2021	5	22	Leeds Rhinos	CCSF	A	WON	20	12
44	2021	10	10	Leeds Rhinos	WSLGF	N	WON	28	0
50	2022	5	7	Leeds Rhinos	CCF	N	WON	18	8
53	2022	6	24	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	H	LOST	18	20
56	2022	8	7	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	A	WON	30	22
59	2022	9	4	Leeds Rhinos	WSLSF	A	LOST	6	14
64	2023	5	26	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	A	WON	38	18
72	2023	8	12	Leeds Rhinos	CCF	N	WON	22	8
74	2023	9	3	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	H	LOST	22	34
76	2023	9	23	Leeds Rhinos	WSLSF	H	LOST	16	20
84	2024	5	24	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	H	WON	12	6
86	2024	6	8	Leeds Rhinos	CCF	N	WON	22	0
87	2024	7	6	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	A	WON	16	6
102	2025	5	17	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	H	DRAWN	20	20
109	2025	7	11	Leeds Rhinos	WSL	A	WON	22	20
	PLAYED	21		WON 57%					
	WON	12							
	DRAWN	2							
	LOST	7							

SAINTS WOMEN'S RIVALS

SAINTS WOMEN V WIGAN RECORD

MATCH #	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETOTION	VENUE	RESULT	PTS FOR	PTS AGAINST
4	2018	5	13	Wigan Warriors	WSL	A	LOST	6	16
12	2018	8	19	Wigan Warriors	WSL	H	LOST	10	14
15	2018	10	7	Wigan Warriors	WSLSF	A	LOST	6	10
16	2019	4	7	Wigan Warriors	WSL	A	WON	6	4
29	2019	9	15	Wigan Warriors	WSL	H	WON	28	0
42	2021	9	19	Wigan Warriors	WSL	H	WON	52	0
51	2022	5	15	Wigan Warriors	WSL	H	WON	44	0
58	2022	8	29	Wigan Warriors	WSL	A	WON	56	4
65	2023	6	11	Wigan Warriors	WSL	H	WON	26	4
71	2023	8	6	Wigan Warriors	WSL	A	WON	12	4
85	2024	5	31	Wigan Warriors	WSL	H	WON	24	12
88	2024	7	12	Wigan Warriors	WSL	A	WON	16	12
96	2024	9	22	Wigan Warriors	WSLSF	H	WON	18	8
105	2025	6	7	Wigan Warriors	CCF	N	LOST	6	42
108	2025	6	29	Wigan Warriors	WSL	A	DRAWN	22	22
114	2025	9	5	Wigan Warriors	WSL	H	LOST	20	24
117	2025	10	5	Wigan Warriors	WSLGF	A	LOST	12	16
	PLAYED	17		WON 59%					
	WON	10							
	DRAWN	1							
	LOST	6							

SAINTS WOMEN'S RIVALS

SAINTS WOMEN V YORK RECORD

MATCH #	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	OPPONENT	COMPETOTION	VENUE	RESULT	PTS FOR	PTS AGAINST
1	2018	4	15	York City Knights	WSL	H	WON	40	0
10	2018	7	29	York City Knights	WSL	A	WON	26	6
21	2019	6	30	York City Knights	WSL	H	WON	60	6
27	2019	9	1	York City Knights	WSL	A	WON	56	0
37	2021	6	5	York City Knights	CCF	H	WON	34	6
40	2021	8	22	York City Knights	WSL	H	WON	32	0
52	2022	5	22	York City Knights	WSL	A	LOST	6	13
55	2022	7	31	York City Knights	WSL	H	WON	12	4
60	2023	4	16	York Valkyrie	WSL	A	LOST	6	26
69	2023	7	22	York Valkyrie	CCSF	N	WON	17	16
70	2023	7	28	York Valkyrie	WSL	H	LOST	8	18
80	2024	4	21	York Valkyrie	WSL	A	LOST	16	20
83	2024	5	18	York Valkyrie	CCSF	N	WON	32	2
90	2024	7	31	York Valkyrie	WSL	H	WON	10	6
97	2024	10	6	York Valkyrie	WSLGF	H	LOST	8	18
101	2025	5	11	York Valkyrie	CCSF	H	WON	10	6
104	2025	6	2	York Valkyrie	WSL	A	WON	16	12
113	2025	8	30	York Valkyrie	WSL	H	WON	18	8
116	2025	9	21	York Valkyrie	WSLSF	H	WON	12	8
	PLAYED	19		WON 74%					
	WON	14							
	DRAWN	0							
	LOST	5							

NOTABLE PLAYERS - INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - APPEARANCES

SAINTS WOMEN INDIVIDUAL APPEARANCES 2018-25

RANK	FIRST NAME	SURNAME	APPEARANCES
1	Channy	CROWL	104
2	Emily	RUDGE	97
3	Naomi	WILLIAMS	94
4	Zoe	HARRIS	93
5	Tara	JONES	93
6	Jodie	CUNNINGHAM	89
7	Vicky	WHITFIELD	89
8	Faye	GASKIN	83
9	Leah	BURKE	75
10	Pip	BIRCHALL	71
11	Becky	ROTHERAM	68
12	Paige	TRAVIS	65
13	Darcy	STOTT	63
14	Katie	MOTTERSHEAD	61
15	Rachael	WOOSEY	51

CHANNY CROWL

In 2025 Channy became the first woman to play 100 matches in the St. Helens RFC colours.

Channy was a back rower who had been playing rugby league since the age of 8. She appeared for Widnes Moorfield, West Bank, Widnes Vikings and Crosfields before joining Thatto Heath ARLFC. From there she joined the mighty Saints. Channy had also captained Lancashire, played for England Lionesses and was a standout player for England in the 2019 World Cup.



NOTABLE PLAYERS - INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - TRIES

LEAH BURKE

SAINTS WOMEN TRIES 2018-25 (>30 TRIES)

RANK	FIRST NAME	SURNAME	APPEARANCES
1	Leah	BURKE	91
2	Amy	HARDCASTLE	59
3	Faye	GASKIN	48
4	Tara	JONES	47
5	Emily	RUDGE	46
6	Jodie	CUNNINGHAM	43
7	Rachael	WOOSEY	43
8	Phoebe	HOOK	41
9	Channy	CROWL	38
10	Dani	McGIFFORD	35
11	Paige	TRAVIS	35
12	Carrie	ROBERTS	32
13	Naomi	WILLIAMS	32

Leah was a member of the team which lifted the Challenge Cup in a resounding victory over York City Knights in June 2021. Leah played on the wing in the finale to the 2021 campaign and demonstrated her prowess by crossing for a glorious brace of tries as the team powered to a great victory over the talented Leeds Rhinos side in October 2021. That win rounded off the season and completed an historic unbeaten treble winning year.

Leah was unlucky to miss out on most of the 2025 season due to a serious injury as she would have surely already crossed for 100 tries in the Saints Women's jersey.

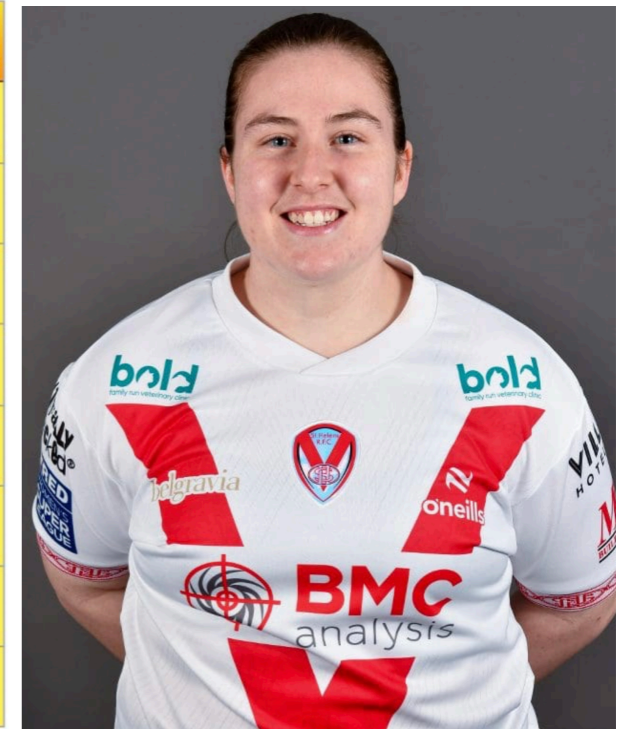


NOTABLE PLAYERS - INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - GOALS

SAINTS WOMEN GOALS 2018-25



RANK	FIRST NAME	SURNAME	GOALS
1	Faye	GASKIN	279
2	Amy	TAYLOR	122
3	Beth	STOTT	79
4	Zoe	HARRIS	57
5	Luci	McCOLM	19
6	Channy	CROWL	6
7	Mia	DRESCHER	6
8	Naomi	WILLIAMS	6



Beth Stott

Former international
Beth has now retired
from the sport.



Zoe Harris (left) classy stand
off.

Luci McColm (right) another
great prospect in the red vee.



Amy Taylor

Local Thatto Heath
woman and deadly
accurate goal kicker.

NOTABLE PLAYERS - INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - POINTS

SAINTS WOMEN POINTS 2018-25 (>200 POINTS)

RANK	FIRST NAME	SURNAME	POINTS
1	Faye	GASKIN	751
2	Leah	BURKE	364
3	Amy	TAYLOR	248
4	Amy	HARDCASTLE	236
5	Zoe	HARRIS	226



FAYE GASKIN

Widely regarded as the most complete player in the WSL. Her performances are characterised by great attacking ability, tactical prowess and of course try-scoring and goalkicking. As the only Saints woman to have dropped a goal, she continues to set record after record.

Faye returned to the playing field for her planned final campaign in the 2024 season. She was instrumental in helping the Saints win the Challenge Cup at Wembley and finish the season as league leaders. The agonising Grand Final loss to York Valkyrie did little to mar her outstanding career. Faye swept the board at the end of season awards and fully intended to retire on the highest of notes. However, Faye provided the Club with great news soon after, when she announced her decision to play on into the 2025 and 2026 campaigns.

NOTABLE PLAYERS - THE DYNAMIC DUO

Best mates from their High School days, Jodie Cunningham and Emily Rudge cemented their friendship by playing Rugby League together in school, at Thatto Heath Crusaders, in the Red Vee of St. Helens RFC and on the international stage. Needless to say they have been instrumental in the success of the Saints Women and previously for Thatto Heath Crusaders.

JODIE

A fabulous rugby league player and athlete with wonderful evasive qualities and rock solid defence. In 2021 she crowned her career by being voted as the Woman of Steel.

The England international was a regular player for the Club throughout their unbeaten, treble winning campaign of 2021. Jodie usually plays loose forward but is equally happy at stand off.

A regular TV commentator and pundit, Jodie now works at the St. Helens Club.



EMILY

Away from rugby Emily Rudge is a PE teacher at a high school in St Helens.

Emily was a powerful and aggressive backrower with a tremendous work rate. In the 2019 World Cup, despite coming off the bench against Papua New Guinea, she was top tackler. She was also named as England's Best and Fairest player in the tournament.

The current captain of England, Emily is absolute class and a deadly finisher close to the line. At the conclusion of the 2025 season Emily had crossed for 46 tries in 97 matches.

