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# League Match Reports

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### **Pontrhydyfen 24 - Llandrindod Wells 26**

There were many facets to this game. A really good pitch, seven mostly well-taken tries, many errors, an all-out brawl and an assault on a Llandrindod player. Both sides had a lot to play for. Basement club Pontrhydyfen had points to make whilst Llandrindod were desperate to get back to winning ways. This resulted in a tense and confrontational game with Pontrhydyfen having the better of things for long periods as Llandrindod struggled to adjust to the situation against a side who had markedly improved since their 37 point beating by Llandrindod early in the season.

Pontrhydyfen scored in the first minutes of the game as a handling error from the kick-off allowed them to touch down and convert their first try. More adventurous than Llandrindod, they increased their score with a penalty soon after as their visitors continued on the back foot, not helped by their further handling errors.

It took some time for Llandrindod to come to life in the person of flanker Tom Hughes who, starting to find this game to his liking, gathered after a Pontrhydyfen drop-out to run though their defence to touch down, conversion by Mathew Fletcher. This was followed soon after by what was the try of the game. A break by stand-off Jonathan Duggan, a lovely dummy and he was away to off-load the ball the scrum-half Dale Wilson to touch down. Fletcher converting.

It was obvious after the break that Llandrindod now had the measure of Pontrhydyfen, who were starting to tire. A short run by prop Richard Watkins to touch down and then a try from wing Jac Holden, converted by Fletcher, stretched Llandrindod's lead to sixteen points, really beyond Pontrhydyfen's apparent capability to catch up.

Then came the brawl. Involving about half the players on the pitch, it took the referee some time to sort it out with the result that a player from each side was sin-binned. Both players left the field with the Llandrindod player slightly in front of the Pontrhydyfen one. Without apparent warning, the Pontrhydyfen player

launched an assault on the Llandrindod man, the net result was another scrap, and a red card for each player.

Eventually, some semblance of order was restored and the match continued with Pontrhydyfen scoring a quick converted try and then another one after a mis-kick from Llandrindod to take them to within two points of Llandrindod and the final whistle.

Llandrindod have no League match this weekend. On Saturday, 8 May, they play their last League match this season, away against Glyncoch.

### **Llandrindod Wells 9 - Ynysowen 7**

It is marvellous what a day of Spring sunshine and a firm pitch can do to lighten the spirits of both players and spectators alike and to cast away the gloom of a long and hard winter. This resulted in a lively and hard contested match in which though Ynysowen had the better of both the territory and possession, and indeed scored the only try, they were undone by giving away too many kickable penalties and then, late in the match, losing a player with a red card for allegedly repeatedly and deliberately barging the referee.

The first score came fifteen minutes in to the game when, after a long period of pressure on their line, the Llandrindod defence gave way with Ynysowen's Lloyd Davies touching down, conversion by Chris Davies. Two penalties by Kevin Percy evened the scoreline somewhat and the teams went in to the break with all to play for.

Llandrindod went on the attack from the start of the second half and gained yet another Percy penalty after a Ynysowen transgression to take a narrow lead. In this phase of the game, Llandrindod were fortunate to have No 8 Geraint Evans back from what looked like a serious hand injury in Llandrindod's win against Hereford in the Lucton Cup. His ball carrying from the scrum, and general mobility around the field, were important in withholding serious Ynysowen attacks after they lost their lead.

Frantic play in the last quarter saw both sides striving for advantage and Llandrindod, following a break from a maul, would have touched down from an unmarked player had not the referee blown the whistle to send off an Ynysowen forward for the alleged barging incident.

The match ended with Ynysowen yet again on the offensive and their lineout 5 metres from the Llandrindod line was the visitor's last throw of the dice because Llandrindod cleared and the referee blew for time.

This week, Llandrindod have no match. Their next League game is on Saturday 25 April away against Pontrhydyfen, near Neath.

### **Llandrindod Wells 5 - Caerau Ely 22**

There was something depressingly familiar about this match. Lots of energy and commitment from Llandrindod against a street-wise and highly experienced South Wales outfit. Not helped also by the continuing problems with Llandrindod's long injury list, as evidenced by the fact that Llandrindod could not get anywhere near the very close 19-15 loss away at Caerau Ely earlier in the season.

The visitors opened the scoring with a Ryan Skinner try converted by Dwayne Iles. A second try came not long after as Llandrindod were unable to cope with the fast Caerau Ely play, from Iles who converted his own touch down giving them a 14 point lead at the change.

Things weren't that much better in the second half, though Llandrindod did have a purple moment when centre Dale Jones cut through the Caerau Ely backs from a Dale Wilson break to score. An Iles penalty put the game beyond the home side, and a further Skinner try for Caerau Ely wrapped a satisfactory afternoon's work for them and give Llandrindod yet more headaches as they go in to the closing matches of the season.

This week, Llandrindod host Ynysowen in the League.

### **Clwb Rygbi Caerdydd 45-Llandrindod Wells 5**

Clwb Rygbi's first try came within two minutes and, before the game was 10 minutes old, they had scored a further two tries to go 19 points up, all thanks to their slick set of backs. A Llandrindod rally then held Clwb Rygbi until the end of the half when Clwb Rygbi scored another try to increase their lead to 26 points.

A further 3 tries in the second half completed Clwb Rygbi's day but much credit must go to Llandrindod despite this big defeat. With almost half of their first-choice players injured or not available, this was perhaps the scratchest side they had put on the field in the past three years in this League, but they got better as the match went on and won praise from the opposition for the way they made life hard for Clwb Rygbi and, in the second half, really pressed their hosts.

Led by skipper Dale Wilson, who as usual put his body on the line both literally and metaphorically, Llandrindod competed heroically and were rewarded late in the game when Wilson, breaking from a maul, fed prop Lee James to touch down in the corner.

This week, Llandrindod host Caerau Ely in the League.

### **Llandrindod Wells 13- Llanrumney 15**

Llanrumney's main impact on this match occurred in the first quarter, and what an impact. A penalty in the first 10 seconds from kick-off, courtesy of Wayne Da Cruz's boot, put Llandrindod on the rack from the start, and it took them a while to get themselves together.

Da Cruz, a class player in anyone's book but this week playing without his equally talented brother, made Llanrumney's second score. Seeing a gap in the home defence, he accelerated and Rees Fenton, on his shoulder, touched down. Da Cruz converted. Llanrumney's next try, from Colin O'Hanlon, owed more to an intercepted pass than anything else, and this put the visitors 15 points ahead in as many minutes, and disaster loomed for Llandrindod.

Not this time though. Two penalties from Mathew Fletcher reduced the deficit to manageable proportions and when Jamie Watkins touched down late in this half, conversion by Fletcher, the visitor's lead had been reduced to only two points.

Amazingly, this is how it stayed for the rest of the match. Playing with considerable commitment and drive, and ably marshalled by skipper and scrum half Dale Wilson, Llandrindod held and bettered their opponents on many occasions, and as happened last week came within a whisker of beating a top-flight League side. This was mainly due to the Llandrindod pack who have come of age now, and are matching their opposition in this League dominated by sides from Cardiff & the Valleys.

Llandrindod have no League games for the next couple of weeks. On Friday evening, 19 March, our 2nds/Veterans host a touring side, and on Tuesday evening, 23 March, we play Hereford in the annual Lucton Cup, at Luctonians.

### **Llandrindod Wells 13- Cambrian Welfare 17**

Like Wales the evening before, visitors Cambrian Welfare staged a second half recovery to secure a hard fought win. They took the lead early in the first half with a penalty from fly-half Julian Huntley but the rest of the half belonged to Llandrindod.

A strong run from Tom Hughes took play up to the visitor's line, with skipper Dale Wilson darting over from the ensuing ruck for a try, conversion by Mathew Fletcher. With Llandrindod showing outstanding commitment against their strong opponents, Fletcher increased Llandrindod's lead with a well-struck penalty.

By now, Llandrindod's scrum was starting to dominate, with the front row of Geraint Edwards, Phil Morgan and Lee James outstanding, as Llandrindod took three scrums against the head in succession to take control of the game.

Llandrindod continued in the same vein at the start of the second half, Fletcher increasing the home side's lead with another penalty. Unfortunately, Llandrindod then seemed to rest on their laurels allowing Cambrian Welfare to come back strongly for the remainder of the match. Aimless Llandrindod kicking allowed the talented Huntley to create tries for Richie Lewis and Gavin Thomas, both converted by Huntley to give the visitors a narrow but unchallenged lead.

Changes in the back line up gave Llandrindod a bit more zip but they rarely managed to threaten which was a pity as Llandrindod had given an outstanding performance against arguably the strongest team in the League.

This week Llandrindod host Llanrumney, and they will need to watch out for the Da Cruz brothers who scored most of the tries and conversions in Llanrumney's 58-9 win earlier in the season.

### **Aberavon Naval Club 13- Llandrindod Wells 13**

Llandrindod scraped a draw in this dull and uninspiring away game against one of the League newcomers. Gone were the heady days earlier in the season when Llandrindod romped home with a 35 point margin; this match was an entirely different matter.

Against a side whose main strength was, literally, in the power and size of their players, Llandrindod seemed unable to capitalise on their opponent's many errors and their own good work in the forwards and to use their own backs to any great effect. Time and time again, they opted to try to run the ball from defensive positions rather than to gain valuable territory. One of the consequences of this was that the Naval Club had more of a territorial advantage than was really justified. This was shown in the Club's try in the 20th minute when Rick Lewis went over close to the posts after Llandrindod defensive errors, conversion by Dewi Davies. Llandrindod pulled back six points with two penalties from full back Mathew Fletcher. Indeed, Fletcher seemed to be the most inventive of the Llandrindod backs, one example being a lovely run close to the touchline and confusing his opposite number with a magician-like sleight of hand with the ball. Now you see it, now you don't!

Down a point at half time, Llandrindod gave away another penalty for Davies to convert before, in their best attacking move of the game so far, Llandrindod's skipper and scrum-half Dale Wilson crossed over for a try in the corner, converted at a very difficult angle by Fletcher. 10-13 to the visitors.

Another penalty by Davies for the Naval Club levelled the scores and in the last minutes of the game, Llandrindod had a penalty kick at goal that went wide. This week, Llandrindod host League high-flyers Cambrian Welfare.

### **Llandrindod Wells 0 - Cardiff Saracens 6**

Coming back after an eight week enforced lay-off is never easy, as Llandrindod found to their cost as Saracens avenged a home loss to Llandrindod earlier in the season. Llandrindod were, frankly, very rusty indeed whereas Saracens, who had had the benefit of games in the past couple of weeks, made most of the running in the first 60 minutes, and looked both sharper and fitter than their hosts.

In a match that had over a quarter of an hour in total of stoppage time, both sides had their fair share of walking wounded and the respective trainers were kept busy throughout. Both of Llandrindod's props, Lee James and Geraint Edwards, were injured but kept on playing. Indeed, the longer the game went on, the better they seemed to play, and this also applied to the rest of the Llandrindod side as in the last 20 minutes, they started to create chances and put Saracens under pressure, including taking some balls against the head in the set pieces.

Really though, neither side looked like scoring a try and the only time the scorers were troubled was when Saracens' Martin Davey kicked two penalties, one in each half of the game to give the visitors a deserved win.

This week, Llandrindod's disrupted season continues with no League match due to the start of the 6 Nations Competition. HOWEVER, we will be playing a Builth Wells XV on Saturday in a friendly at Llandrindod. 2pm kick off.

### **Ynysowen 7- Llandrindod Wells 8**

There are some matches that should be won but are not, and there are some that should be lost but in fact are won. This game falls in to the latter category for Llandrindod, courtesy of a late try from Gareth Kinsey, a Mathew Fletcher penalty, and wayward Ynysowen penalty kicking.

On a good playing surface despite the heavy driving rain, Llandrindod started off brightly enough but it was not long before the hosts started to exert their authority and for long periods Llandrindod had to defend their half though they did take the lead with the Fletcher penalty that was the only score after 40 minutes of exertion by both sides.

In the second half Ynysowen took the lead with a self-converted try from Lewis Hughes, after they pressed Llandrindod hard on their own line and crossed to touch down under the posts. Desperate play later in this half saw Llandrindod awarded a penalty that they kicked to touch 5 metres out from the Ynysowen line. A won lineout enabled Llandrindod to rumble over the Ynysowen line with Kinsey underneath the pile managing to get hands on the ball to score.

More frantic play, on the part of Ynysowen this time, gave them a penalty in front of the Llandrindod posts, some 35 metres out and with a following wind, but for the fourth time in this match, their penalty kick went astray. By now, the second half had been going on for well over 45 minutes, and a section of spectators were asking the referee when half time was!

At last, the whistle went and Llandrindod gained an away win, their first against Ynysowen who, incidentally, are their 'derby' team despite being over 40 miles away!

Llandrindod now have no game next week due to Cup matches. They then travel to League newcomers Pontrydyfen near Neath in the League on 19 December in the second 'leg' of the League.

### **Caerau Ely 19- Llandrindod Wells 15**

It was the Caerau Ely rolling maul, on a surprisingly reasonable pitch considering the weather, that won this match for them in the second half. More than matching their hosts in other departments for most of the game, Llandrindod really had no answer to the maul in the last twenty minutes, and this led to Caerau Ely's final tries and the match.

All Llandrindod's points came from the substantial boot of full back Mathew Fletcher. Despite a very strong side wind, he kept the ball on target and punished the numerous misdemeanours of a somewhat careless Caerau Ely with four penalties in the first half and a fifth at the start of the second half.

Though Caerau Ely touched down three times, they only scored once in the first half when Llandrindod were the more dominant side. Helped by the running of wing Jac Holden Llandrindod threatened the Caerau Ely line more than once, though their game-plan was disrupted when flanker Neil James suffered a broken arm and was taken to hospital by ambulance.

It was brothers John & Dan Lovell, playing at stand-off and centre respectively, who caused Llandrindod the most damage. John's try in the first half, converted by Dan, and then Dan's self-converted try in the second half, with a try also from Paul Healey, gave the home side a win that seemed unlikely until well in to the second half when the veteran heavyweight Caerau Ely pack really came in to their own.

Llandrindod now have no game for two weeks due to international matches. They then travel to Ynysowen near Merthyr in the League on 5 December.

### **Llandrindod Wells 13-Clwb Rygbi Caerdydd (CRC) 27**

This was a fast paced, generally good-natured, and committed match but spoilt with perhaps an excess of red & yellow cards brandished by the referee. Two yellows apiece for both sides and two reds for Llandrindod did the match no justice at all and, though one of the reds for Llandrindod was perhaps deserved, resigned Llandrindod to playing the last 20 minutes of the game with 13 men, and ironically playing their best rugby and matching CRC in all aspects and scoring two tries to nil.

CRC have perhaps not had the best start to their season so far, but from the start they were determined to impose their stamp on the match and opened the scoring with a penalty from Rhyddian Garner, and though Llandrindod stand-off Justin Lewis pulled the score back with a trademark drop goal, three tries for CRC from Iestyn Davies, Hywel Jones and Geraint Morgan, conversion by Garner, gave the visitors a deserved 20-3 lead at the break.

It was in the second half that things seemed to go wrong for both sides. The proliferation of cards for both sides meant that the game had a disjointed aspect, but still CRC had the best of the play, scoring a try from captain Hywel Jones (not the same one who scored an earlier try!), and converted by Garner but this was as good as it got for the visitors.

By now down to 14 men, Llandrindod's wing Jac Holden had an easy run to the line. Then another red card for the hosts, and surprisingly Llandrindod were all over their opponents, and scored another try, this time from centre Tom Underhill before the final whistle.

This week, Llandrindod travel to Beaufort near Ebbw Vale for the second round of the Swalec Bowl and need to be at full strength as Beaufort are close to the top of their League.

### **Llanrumney 59- Llandrindod Wells 8**

The main difference between the sides was in the backs, and in particular the Da Cruz brothers who contributed to or scored most of the nine tries and kicked all of the seven conversions.

A four try blitz on the first half, and three tries early on in the second half, set the scene for Llandrindod who to their great credit never stopped trying, and matched their hosts in the forwards and towards the end of the game in the backs when a more mature Llanrumney team started to tire.

This was not a game where both sides had to grind out their possession. Openness and fast passing were the order of the day on both sides even though Llandrindod were on the back foot for much of the time. As a credit to the teams, it is interesting to note that the referee said that this was the best game he had refereed so far this season.

For Llandrindod, stand-off Justin Lewis kicked a penalty in the first half, and in the second half, skipper and scrum-half Dale Wilson matched Llanrumney's tries as he waltzed through their defence to touch down.

This was a useful lesson for Llandrindod, and though they were outclassed, it was by a team whose backs gave them an object lesson in taking their chances when they could and in making them when none were on offer.

This week, Llandrindod host Clwb Rygbi Caerdydd in the League.

### **Llandrindod Wells 41 - Aberavon Naval Club 5**

Aberavon Naval had no answer to Llandrindod's slick passing and good work in the forwards, with both forwards and backs linking to great effect.

Llandrindod were on the attack from the start and No. 8 Geraint Evans opened their account with a try after a good passing movement, the first of many. Shortly after, flanker Gareth Kinsey broke free from the pack, and a quick pass to wing Tom Underhill saw him go over. Kinsey was involved again, this time as the scorer, as he scored under the posts, Justin Lewis converting.

Llandrindod's other wing, Jac Holden, scored the next try as he relished the chance to stretch his legs, Lewis converting again. This gave the hosts a 24 point lead before the half-time whistle but by now the Naval Club were starting to recover from their unaccustomed long journey and were forcing Llandrindod back to their own territory, an improvement that they continued in to the second half.

They were rewarded eventually by a good try from David Grandon but this really was as far as they got in this game. After a fairly indeterminate period of play, Llandrindod eventually overwhelmed their visitors with tries from hooker Phil Morgan, after a scramble on the Naval Club line, flanker and man of the match Neil James, and finally a second try for Kinsey who was unstoppable in a 30 metre run.

This was a much improved performance from Llandrindod who were so disappointing at Cardiff Saracens last week. They have now beaten all three of this year's newcomers to the League; the challenge now is to win regularly against the other League sides.

Llandrindod have no game this Saturday. It is Cup day and they have a bye. Next week, Llandrindod travel to Llanrumney in the League.

### **Cardiff Saracens 7 - Llandrindod Wells 8**

This was a untidy, uncoordinated and, occasionally, ill-disciplined game that a disgruntled spectator described as being at times more like a game of 'British Bulldog' than a game of rugby. Add to this the fact that the referee arrived on the pitch some 15 minutes late, and seemed to have some mechanical problem with his whistle, it was therefore no surprise that the feeling of some disconnection with the game lasted well in to the journey back from Cardiff.

Not that there were a lack of notable highlights. The commitment of Saracens, their willingness to throw everything in to the game, their speed on the break, and their fast-running backs alleviated some of the gloom as did the dogged defence of Llandrindod who were on the back foot for a lot of the game, with Saracens having the better of both possession and territory.

All the points were scored in the first half. Llandrindod first with the better of the two tries on the day. A break by flanker Gareth Kinsey, in his own half, saw his speed and power slice through the Saracens defence. With centre Jonathan Duggan on his shoulder, a quick pass, a 10 metre dash, and Duggan touched down for his second try in two games.

Saracens' try was a shade more predictable. After a long period of assault on the Llandrindod line, stand-off Craig Davies found a gap to touch down and to convert his own try. Finally, in the half, a penalty from Mathew Fletcher gave the visitor's the slenderest of leads.

It was in the second half that the game really started to deteriorate, probably due to the closeness of the score and the tension that this created. A yellow card for Saracens, followed later on by a red for a player from both sides, in the same 'event', and the game was on tenterhooks. Even the final second of the game was tension-filled. A penalty kick at the posts by Saracens was missed, and Llandrindod fumbled the ball that had landed behind the try line. With a Saracens player following up closely, a try for them in the last nano-second was still a possibility, but fortunately for Llandrindod they cleared just in time.

This week, Llandrindod host another newcomer to this League, Aberavon Naval Club, at home.

### **Llandrindod Wells 10 - Glyncoch 24**

Llandrindod welcomed high flying Glyncoch to Lant Avenue and will be disappointed that they took nothing from the game in which they were highly competitive throughout. It was Llandrindod that started the stronger and were soon in front. A back peel from the lineout saw hooker Phil Morgan find centre Jonathan Duggan who broke the line before offloading to lock Dave Smith who made further ground, quick ruck ball was fed to prop Richard Watkins who crashed over from five yards. Glyncoch came back strongly with intelligent kicking from their Outside Half pinning Llandrindod Wells in their own 22m. A catch and drive saw Max Padfield level the scores before an interception resulted in a try for Matthew Powell and Glyncoch into a 10-5 lead after the conversion was again missed.

Llandrindod were put under further pressure when centre Tom Underhill was sin-binned for punching, the resulting penalty was converted to make the score 13-5 and that was how it stayed until half time. The first 20 minutes of the second half were even and largely played in the centre of the pitch before a period of concerted Glyncoch pressure resulted in winger Kirk Jones scoring a try in the corner following a classy backline move, the conversion was again missed. This seemed to spark Llandrindod into action and a series of quick taps and breaks from skipper Dale Wilson resulted in the Glyncoch captain being sent to the sin bin for killing the ball. This was quickly followed by Llandrindod's second try after another back peel from the lineout saw centre Jonathan Duggan this time score himself after cutting a lovely angle through the Glyncoch defence. Llandrindod could now sense a comeback but the conversion was missed to leave them just outside the losing bonus point range, a frantic ten minutes followed before Stuart Addis sealed the win with a try at the end after a blind side move from a 5m metre scrum. This was a game that perhaps slipped away from Llandrindod who will be encouraged by big games from the likes of prop Lee James, lock Dave Smith and No. 8 Geraint Evans, whilst flanker Duncan Lawrence impressed off the bench, they will be looking to put this right next week where they enter uncharted waters when they face newly promoted Cardiff Saracens on Roath park next Saturday.

### **Cambrian Welfare 47 - Llandrindod Wells 3**

This was a substantial reality check for Llandrindod from last week as, yet again, Cambrian Welfare were far too strong for their visitors. Not that Llandrindod played badly; far from it and their performance was a significant improvement on last year's, but with Cambrian having a squad that was just too big, too fast and too well-drilled for their visitors, the outcome became obvious after the first fairly even 20 minutes.

Llandrindod started off well enough, holding their hosts and making ground themselves though with little possibility of penetration apart from a chance early on when a loose ball was kicked and chased deep in to the Cambrian half only to be knocked on later. However, with penalty kicks not finding touch, Llandrindod

were having to cope with more than just their opponents.

Llandrindod conceded their first try to Cambrian's Man of the Match, Julian Huntley, who touched down for the first of his hat-trick, converted by himself. After that, three more converted tries in the half put the game beyond Llandrindod, with a well taken drop goal from Llandrindod's Justin Lewis being the visitor's only reply.

The second half was slightly more even, but Cambrian were still able to run in another three tries. Llandrindod never gave up and the stable platform that stand-off Justin Lewis provided gave them some hope of a score. This was enhanced when substitute wing Mathew Williams came on and immediately started to cause his opposite number problems with some good running, to the considerable cheers of both sets of spectators.

However, Llandrindod remained scoreless and now must hope for better fortunes when they meet Glyncoch at home in the League this Saturday. Scorers for Cambrian were: Julian Huntley, 3 tries and 6 conversions, and G Keeping, G Ashford, W Morgan and R Lewis taking a try each.

### **Llandrindod Wells 43 - Pontrhydyfen 7**

Llandrindod got their League season off to a bright start against League newcomers from the Neath area. However, a bereavement in the family of one of the Pontrhydyfen props on the morning of the match meant that the visitors travelled light, and the match had uncontested scrums throughout.

Early pressure from the hosts was marred by loose handling but ten minutes in to the game saw wing Jac Holden touch down for an unconverted try out wide after a swift handling movement. With play following a similar pattern, a disallowed try was followed in quick succession when full-back Mathew Fletcher scored near the posts after a Dan Ruell break. Fletcher converting. Not to be outdone, skipper Dale Wilson took two tap & go penalties to score a deserved try, again converted by Fletcher.

A 19 point margin at half time was comfortable in the circumstances, and though the second half was more end to end, Llandrindod looked the more structured and polished outfit, and pressure saw Jamie Sherwood touch down for an unconverted try. Another Llandrindod try, this time from Dave Smith, his first for the Club, stretched their lead before Pontrhydyfen struck back with a skilful try from Mark Probert, which he converted himself.

This was a good as it got for Pontrhydyfen, and two more Llandrindod tries were scored by Dan Ruell and Jac Holden, one being converted by Fletcher, to enable Llandrindod to run out impressive winners 43-7.

Next week, Llandrindod travel to Rhondda Valley outfit Cambrian Welfare, where they will be keen to improve on a heavy defeat last season. In this, they should be aided by improved individual playing performances, new players, and a strengthened coaching team with the recruitment of Andrew Thomas, a former Builth player.

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