#### **League positions**

		Р	VV	D	L	F	A D	Pts
6	<b>Devonport Services</b>	8	4	1	3	175	158 17	23
13	St Ives	8	1	0	7	129	252 -123	7

#### **Today's Tribute Western Counties West League fixtures**

Okehampton		Burnham-on-Sea
Paignton Saxons		Wellington
Penryn		lvybridge
St Ives (SW)		Devonport Services
Tavistock		Bude
Teignmouth		Kingsbridge
Torquay Athletic		Truro

#### **Next fixtures:**

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2013
St Ives v Ivybridge

#### **Next home fixture:**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>
November 2013
St Ives v Wellington



Rob Rowe clears from his own 22 during the 2011 fixture against Bude.

(Photo courtesy of Mike Cullin)

#### Reminder:

Now the clocks have gone back one hour to GMT, kick off time has moved to 2:30p.m.



## **St Ives v Devonport Services**

# Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2013 KO 2:30 p.m.

## St Ives Recreation Ground

It is with great pleasure that St Ives RFC welcomes regular visitors, Devonport Services RFC, to Alexandra Road. The Plymouth based club provides rugby for the men and women of the armed services of the U.K., mainly the Royal Navy and the Royal Marines.

The Western Morning News reported over one hundred years ago that, "It is a pity the Services have to make so many changes in their team week by week, for their combination suffers badly and all things considered it is remarkable they should make such a good showing against the representative clubs they meet."

This week St Ives coach, Rob Elloway commented, "I think a lot will depend on their player availability because of the type of club they are."

Today's match promises to be a tough encounter, both sides believing that points are there for the taking. St. Ives almost came away with a win at Bude last week, but for a disallowed try in the closing minutes. Devonport managed a narrow five point victory at the same venue. With Bude facing a visit to Tavistock, just one place above them in the league, a win for St. Ives will put them in a much healthier position. Ironically, player availability will also be critical for the home side today.

Ryan Cook of CRRS is our match official today. We hope he enjoys the afternoon.





Pete McNeil & Tony Rignall



St Ives MOT Test Centre Unit 3a Penbeagle



St Ives	V	Devonport			
	1	Declan Sexton			
	2	Sam Bennett			
	3	Olly Dugmore			
	4	Rocky Young			
	5	John Mellor			
	6	Ed Northcott			
	7	Mike Scott			
	8	Dave Chorley			
	9	Tom Smyth			
	10	Charlie Attis			
	11	Matt Morrison			
	12	Scott Williams			
	13	Callum Perkins			
	14	Ben McGowan			
	15	Matt Morrison			
Replacements					
	16	Tom Bailey			
	17	Josh Morrison			
	18	Manoa Tickoisuva			

Referee: Mr Ryan Cook (CRRS)

### A bit of history

I am indebted to the Devonport Services website for the following table showing how points awarded has altered significantly over the years. Up until 1905 your score did not count until a goal had been kicked, thus if you scored 3 unconverted tries to a penalty, you lost 3:0. I am not sure what GMs are. Could it be a goal from a mark?

Period	Try	Con	DG	PG	GM
1890/1891	1	2	3	2	3
1891/92~1892/93	1	3	4	3	4
1893/94~1904/05	2	2	4	3	4
1905/06~1947~48	3	2	4	3	3
1948/49~1970/71	3	2	3	3	3
1971/72~1976/77	4	2	3	3	3
1977/78~1991/92	4	2	3	3	-
1992/93~ present	5	2	3	3	-

I recall playing scrum half for the colts back in the early 1970s against the Bude senior team, the last season of only three points for a try. A lip through a tooth due to an inaccurate punch in a scrum from our only 'adult', playing flanker is a memory that left its mark in a cow field with a barb wire surround. How times have changed.

A final reminiscence and puzzle: In 1933-34 St. Ives scored 2 tries to Devonport Services' 1 try and a dropped goal. Who won? In that same season St. Ives scored 85 tries, but only 4 penalties! Dropped gaols were nine. Indeed, how times have changed.

Finally, the club is pleased you decided to watch live rugby on a day when the autumn internationals begin.



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