

Wrexham v Bury
Saturday, 15 March 2008
Kick Off 3:00pm

The Racecourse Ground
Mold Road
Wrexham
LL11 2AH

How to get there: By Car: Take the A483 from Chester or Oswestry to Wrexham. Exit at the 'Mold' junction and then follow the signs for 'Town Centre'. The Racecourse will come quickly into view.

Supporters Coach: The supporter's bus will be leaving Gigg Lane at 12:00pm, cost has been set at £11.00. Contact the club to book your seat

By Train: Wrexham General station is located directly next to the ground.

By Bus: Take the bus to the centre of Wrexham. Head towards the prominent multi-storey car park, turn right along the Mold Road and the ground is located half a mile along this road on the right hand side.

Stands: Eric Roberts (Builders) Stand: The Away end is an all-seater, fully covered stand. Situated behind the goal, this stand seats 3,800 spectators and provides the travelling supporter with an excellent view close to the heart of the action on the pitch.

Facilities: Ticket Office: Located underneath the Yale Stand.

Club Shop: Is situated next to the Ticket Office.

Refreshments: There is a bar located in the Mold Road Stand, although alcohol is not allowed within sight of the playing surface. Food and drink are available from the many concession booths placed around the ground.

History of the Racecourse: Wrexham Football Club have played at the Racecourse Ground ever since being formed in September 1872. There were however four seasons in the 1880's when the club played at the Recreation Ground in Rhosddu, due to an increase in rent from the then owners, Wrexham Cricket Club. Up until the club was formed the ground was mainly used for cricket and occasionally, horse racing.

The ground has developed immensely since these early days to form what is now regarded as one of the best stadia in the lower divisions.

1952 saw the laying down of concrete terracing on the ever-popular Kop end, which is now the oldest part of the ground. Five years later was to see the largest ever attendance at the Racecourse when 34,445 people gathered to witness an FA Cup fourth round tie against Manchester United. On 30th September 1959, the Racecourse saw the switching on of the newly installed floodlights, which are said to be the brightest in the Football League.

The Yale Stand was built in 1972 in preparation for the club's first venture into Europe, and also provided new dressing rooms, club offices and entertainment suites.

After promotion to the old Second Division in 1978, the Border Stand was built, taking its name from the local brewery which owned the ground. This part of the ground is now known as the Eric Roberts (Builders) Stand.

The latest addition to the ground was achieved in 1999 after grant aid from Sport Lot, the Welsh Development Agency and the Football Trust, together with generous local sponsorship, allowed for the construction of a new stand on the Mold Road side of the ground. The impressive new structure has a capacity of 3,500 and also contains hospitality and conferencing facilities.

The development also saw the paddock areas of both the Yale and Eric Roberts (Builders) stands become all-seated, bringing the current capacity up to 15,500 and thus allowing international football and rugby to once again be played at the Racecourse.

Detailed Directions:

Distance: 59.0 Miles

Estimated: Time: 1 hr 10 min

Travel (miles)	and then	to take	total (miles)
0.00	Start out at <i>Bury FC, Bury</i>	Unclassified	0.00
0.07	<i>Turn left onto the A56</i>	A56	0.07
3.04	<i>At roundabout take the 3rd exit, then join the M60 motorway (signposted Ring Road West)</i>	M60	3.11
5.99	<i>Leave the M60 at junction 12, then join the M62 motorway (signposted Liverpool, Warrington)</i>	M62	9.10
8.62	<i>Leave the M62 at junction 10, then join the M6 motorway (signposted Birmingham)</i> TRAFFIC BLACKSPOT - Call 401100 from your mobile	M6	17.72
3.43	<i>Thelwall Viaduct</i>	M6	21.15
1.83	<i>Lymm Service Area (MOTO)</i>	M6	22.98
0.61	<i>Leave the M6 at junction 20, then join the M56 motorway (signposted N. Wales, Chester, Runcorn)</i>	M56	23.58
14.87	<i>Chester Service Area (ROAD CHEF)</i>	M56	38.46
2.90	<i>Leave the M56 at junction 15, then join the M53 motorway (signposted Chester)</i>	M53	41.36
2.75	<i>Continue forward onto the A55 (signposted North Wales)</i>	A55	44.11
5.59	<i>Branch left (signposted Wrexham, Chester), then at Wrexham Road Interchange roundabout take the 1st exit onto the A483 (signposted Wrexham)</i>	A483	49.70
0.66	<i>At roundabout take the 2nd exit onto the A483 (signposted Wrexham)</i>	A483	50.36

8.01	<i>Leave the A483 at junction 5, then at roundabout take the 1st exit onto the A541 (signposted Wrexham)</i>	A541	58.37
0.28	<i>At roundabout take the 2nd exit onto the A541 (signposted Town Centre)</i>	A541	58.65
0.24	Warning: Speed Cameras along the A541	A541	58.88
0.10	Arrive at <i>Wrexham FC, Wrexham</i>	A541	58.98