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A Message from the President

I would like to welcome you to Warrington RUFC and I hope you enjoy your afternoon with us. This is my first year as president and I look forward to meeting new friends from the clubs in North 1 West.

Warrington has enjoyed some success over the past years, since our promotion to North 1 West but it doesn't get any easier. This year the competition looks to be even harder with clubs of great tradition such as Birkenhead Park, Broughton Park and Penrith returning this season. I must admit that I am sorry to see the departure of Altrincham Kersal and Rochdale as in life, changes offer new challenges.



Once again, it seems that there will be no such thing as an easy game but that also ensures a good level of entertainment for spectators and enjoyable, testing matches for the players.

We can all contribute in so many ways as those who have gone before us as Members of WRUFC have done. Players need to remember that it is not just about playing. Fund raising and making sure everything runs smoothly on match days and all the other small but essential tasks is not just the province of those of us who are at the age where sadly playing is no longer possible. The more people who volunteer and get stuck in, the stronger our Club will become.

Former players making a perhaps an infrequent visit to the Club are more than welcome we can always find something for you to do! You will have taken a lot out of the game. Please think seriously about what you can put back in, just as there were the "old farts" in your day who made sure that the baths were run, the tea made, the pitch marked ,the game refereed, the raffle run and so on.

I would also take this opportunity to thank all spectators, and especially visiting spectators, for buying this programme. We are not a rich club and we must mainly rely on the income which we generate ourselves from sponsorships, events, raffles, occasional donations - and programme sales. So many thanks for your contribution, which helps to fund the playing side of our activities as well as helping us, enhance the outstanding facilities we enjoy at Warrington Sports Club.

So once again, a very warm welcome to all of you, Warrington supporters as well as visitors, match officials and players. We hope you will enjoy the rugby on offer and that you will also enjoy the beer and banter in the bar after the match.

GEOFF PERKS President, Warrington RUFC

















Welcome to Douglas (I.O.M) RUFC

Warrington RUFC extends a very warm welcome to the players, officials and spectators of Douglas (I.O.M) RUFC. We look forward to an enjoyable game and a convivial time in the bar afterwards.

Douglas (I.O.M) gained promotion from South Lancs/Cheshire Division Two at the end of 2012/13 season; promotion from South Lancs/Cheshire Division One to North One West came at the end of 2016/17 season. Warrington renewed rivalries last season with Warrington travelling to Douglas who were victorious in the opening match of the season, the reverse fixture in an end of season game saw Warrington winners. The final table showed Warrington finish in 8th and our visitors today 9th. This season is proving very competitive, the league positions, after 10 games, show Douglas lie in second place with us in ninth.

After the disappointment at Penrith last time out Warrington will want to do themselves justice so it all points to an interesting game.

On the day may the best side win.

Geoff Perks President Warrington RUFC



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Milestones

Last week two players reached notable appearances for the 1st XV,

Firstly current our current captain Josh Downes notched up his 50th game, in that time he's crossed the line 4 times, with this season meat pie coming away at Burnage. Josh has taken to the captaincy well and is thought highly of amongst his charges on and off the field. At just 24 his rugby days are in their infancy for a 2nd Row forward so hopefully there are many more milestones for josh to gain.



When asked his opinion on Downesy, former long standing captain Paul Thompson had this to say in response, "he was the obvious choice coming off the back of last season, always lifts the team with a big carry in midfield, with a wise head on young shoulders, who's not afraid to ask for help, even if it was a drunken conversation away at Caernarfon.

Congratulations Josh on hitting 50 games and long may you continue!"



Secondly is a player that needs no more encouragement for the lime light, passionate and committed, Tom Wood played his 175th game for the 1s at Penrith last week. Having started his Warrington career at scrum half he has firmly established himself as a fly half over the last few seasons. His distribution is a key factor in the many exciting and expansive tries we score. He also knows his way across the whitewash clocking up 53 tries along the way, a figure that's matched by yellows no doubt!



Coach John Callander said this about Tom, "an outstanding achievement to reach 175 first team games, Woody is a fine example to the younger players, especially in the way he manages & leads our shape & attack play! He's the sort of player the opposition I'm sure hate to play against but for us he is a genuine asset & threat!

Well done Woody & many more to come!"



Player Profile: Tom Wood

Age: 26

Position: Scrum/Fly half

Club Player Since: 2012

1st XV Debut: Away to West Park, 2012.

Career record so far: 175 apps. 53 tries

Memorable rugby moment: Staying up by a point to then win the league the year after I think against Liverpool Collegiate, that kept us up and we've developed into a solid NWI team since then.

Players I look up to: Other then myself!! Thommo, Kev J, A. Rob & Ash Rockey, all who looked after me when coming through.

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Junior Rugby Spotlight

This week we take a look at our hugely successful Warrington under 15's

You know what happens, you stand still for long enough and you get given a job! I was watching my son

learning to catch and pass in the micros and before I knew it, I was putting out cones on a Sunday morning. That was in 2010 and those 6 year olds are now representing Warrington at under 15's.

With a squad of 30, the team's aim is to have a healthy balance of an uncompromising defence coupled with attacking flare; which proved successful in the mini's and has transferred well into the juniors, winning 2 Lancashire Cups in 2017 and 2018. As the boys develop physically, the need



for strength, size, fitness and speed become factors, but we never neglect the importance of their coreskills. Pass, catch, tackle.



It's not a complicated sport and the lads love to play the game together, they work exceptionally hard for each other and show immense pride in representing Warrington. Their friendship has transcended sport (helped along with camping trips and tours organised by their fantastic parents) and the boys are really good mates. Several first team players have given up their time to help with development and other junior teams and coaches have assisted with training games. I feel this club ethic is huge and will be crucial for the club going forward.

Their ability hasn't gone unnoticed with 10 players being selected to train with the Sale development squads and 3 players receiving scholarships with Warrington Wolves ul 6's in the other code. And whilst the opportunity to play at a high level is a good possibility, making memories playing for the club as seniors with their mates (whether it be after their junior/colts, university or professional careers), to help the club progress is always a goal...because, well, it's such good fun isn't it.

The under 15's wish Warrington 1st team the very best for their match against Douglas today.

Article by D Hartill.





Friends of Warrington RUFC Annual Lunch

Saturday 15th December
Warrington Sports Club
Walton Lea Road

12:15pm Arrival - 1pm Seated £25/£10 Entrance (Adult/Child) which includes lunch, a programme and a raffle ticket

Singer Katie Hammond
Prematch meal
1st XV Vs Northwich RUFC
2nd XV Vs Liverpool Uni Vets RUFC
3rd XV Vs Newcastle RUFC (Staffs)

Everyone is welcome, men, women and children. We would welcome donations for raffle prizes i.e. bottles of wine, gin, chocolates and flowers for the ladies, vouchers for the children etc.

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Player Appearances

Na	me	Games this year	Career total	Tries this season	Career total	
Arnold	Tom	2 + 1	63		29	
Barker	Joel	8 + 2	?			
Beesley	Nathan	10	78	8	65	
Caldwell	Max	0+3	60	1	21	
Callander	Sean	8	106	1	6	
Downes	Josh	9	50	1	4	
Emmitt	Luke	3+2	5			
Evans	Jonny	8 + 1	26		2	
Fleming	Dan	6+1	174		9	
Gilooly	Luke	3	13		1	
Griffiths	Dan	0+3	33	1	6	
Hannon	Jack	7	17		1	
Hughes	Kieran	8	114	8	115	
Kellett	Harry	1 + 1	12			
Lynch	Phil	8	87	2	6	
Maudsley	Will	1	3	1	1	
McEniff	Tom	8 + 1	12	2	3	
Norman	Darren	5	31	1	6	
O'Rourke	Clement	6+4	104	1	3	
Pilkington	Steve	10	107	4	47	
Riley	Josh	6+1	121		5	
Roberts	Andy	2	96		21	
Stewart	Alex	3 + 4	7			
Thompson	Paul	8 + 1	271		23	
Ward	Jon	1	36		1	
White	Chris	9 + 1	77	2	20	
Wood	Tom	10	175		53	

Statistics Correct as of 17/11/18

North One West

#	Team	PI	HW	HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	Α	Diff	Pts	Adj	Recent Form
1.	Carlisle	10	5	0	0	3	0	2	8	0	2	334	186	148	40	8	w w w L w
2.	Douglas (I.O.M.)	10	6	0	0	1	0	3	7	0	3	270	149	121	35	7	W L L W W
3.	Firwood Waterloo	10	5	0	1	1	0	3	6	0	4	267	204	63	32	8	W L W L W
4.	Stockport	10	4	0	0	2	0	4	6	0	4	293	250	43	31	7	L W L W L
5.	Penrith	10	5	0	1	1	0	3	6	0	4	285	284	1	31	7	w w w L w
6.	Birkenhead Park	10	4	0	1	2	0	3	6	0	4	254	235	19	30	6	L W L W L
7.	Northwich	10	2	1	1	3	0	3	5	1	4	285	261	24	30	8	w w w w
8.	Manchester	10	4	0	1	1	0	4	5	0	5	252	303	-51	27	7	W W L L W
9.	Warrington	10	3	0	0	2	0	5	5	0	5	265	196	69	26	6	L W L W L
10.	Blackburn	10	3	0	1	1	1	4	4	1	5	213	233	-20	25	7	LLLLW
11.	Broughton Park	10	5	0	1	0	0	4	5	0	5	244	186	58	23	3	W W L W L
12.	Burnage	10	4	0	1	0	0	5	4	0	6	232	275	-43	22	6	L L L W L
13.	Anselmians	10	1	0	4	1	0	4	2	0	8	176	308	-132	10	2	L L W W L
14.	De La Salle (Salford)	10	0	0	6	0	0	4	0	0	10	116	416	-300	3	3	

Division 1

# Team	PI	HV	/ HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	Α	Diff	Pts	Adj	Recent Form
1. Birkenhead Park \	Wanderers (2nd XV) 10	5	0	0	4	1	0	9	1	0	470	165	305	38	0	W W W D W
2. Sandbach 2nd XV	10	4	0	0	5	0	1	9	0	1	544	133	411	37	0	w w L w w
3. Warrington 2nd X	V 10	2	0	1	4	0	3	6	0	4	270	232	38	30	2	L W L W L
4. Kirkby Lonsdale 2	nd XV 10	3	0	3	1	2	1	4	2	4	228	246	-18	25	1	W D W D W
5. Fylde Saracens (3	rd XV) 10	3	0	2	1	0	4	4	0	6	316	303	13	24	2	W L L L L
6. Burnage 2nd XV	10	1	1	4	3	0	1	4	1	5	309	321	-12	24	1	L L W D W
7. Liverpool Univers	ity Veterinarians 10	3	0	3	2	0	2	5	0	5	260	239	21	23	0	W L W W L
8. Broughton Park 2	nd XV 10	2	0	2	2	0	4	4	0	6	251	348	-97	23	1	L L W W W
9. Penrith A XV	10	3	0	3	0	0	4	3	0	7	327	325	2	20	1	LWLLL
10. Glossop 2nd XV	10	2	1	4	1	0	2	3	1	6	225	297	-72	20	0	L W L D L
11. Sedgley Park 3rd	XV 10	2	1	1	1	0	5	3	1	6	139	469	-330	20	0	W D L W L
12. Altrincham Kersal	(2nd XV) 10	3	0	1	0	0	6	3	0	7	162	423	-261	19	0	L W L L L

North One West Fixtures 2018-2019

Date	Opposition	Result	Sponsor
01 Sept	Birkenhead Park (A)	15-19 W	
08 Sept	Northwich (A)	10-20 W	
15 Sept	Burnage (A)	32-25 L	
22 Sept	Blackburn (A)	20-21 L	
29 Sept	Stockport (H)	23-17 W	Chairman's Carvery
13 Oct	Carlisle (A)	20-25 L	
20 Oct	Manchester (H)	48-22 W	
27 Oct	Firwood Waterloo (A)	31-3 L	
3 Nov	De la Salle (Salford) (H)	66-0 W	
17 Nov	Penrith (A)	22-20 L	
24 Nov	Douglas (I.O.M) (H)		
1 Dec	Broughton Park (A)		
8 Dec	Anselmians (H)		
15 Dec	Northwich (H)		Friends of Warrington RUFC
5 Jan 2019	Burnage (H)		
12 Jan	Blackburn (H)		
19 Jan	Stockport (A)		
26 Jan	Carlisle (H)		
9 Feb	Manchester (A)		
16 Feb	Firewood Waterloo (A)		
2 Mar	De la Salle (Salford) (A)		
9 Mar	Penrith (H)		
23 Mar	Douglas (I.O.M) (A)		
30 Mar	Broughton Park (H)		
6 Apr	Anselmians (A)		
13 Apr	Birkenhead Park (H)		

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13	Kieran Hughes	Sponsorship Available	Niall Killey (capt)	13
12	Steven Pilkington	H G Wood Ltd	Carl Murray	12
11	Max Caldwell	Sponsorship Available	Josh Carine	11
10	Tom Wood	H G Wood Ltd	Aidan O'Shea	10
9	Ben Dixon	Sponsorship Available	Bryn Snellgrove	9
8	Sean Callander	Lignum Recruitment	Liam Kirkpatrick	8
7	Josh Riley	3M Technologies	Sam Games	7
6	Jonny Evans	Sponsorship Available	Mike Dunnett	6
5	Dan Griffiths	Sponsorship Available	Paul Lievers	5
4	Josh Downes (capt)	Simple Solutions Ltd	Max Singer (v.capt)	4
3	Clement O'Rourke	Sponsorship Available	Harry Raven	3
2	Paul Thompson	Sponsorship Available	Robert Todd	2
1	Christian White	Fiona Kellett Physiotherapy	Todd McDowell	1
16	Jon Ward	Sponsorship Available	Harry Hewson	16
17	Danny Fleming	Sponsorship Available	Filipe Periera	17
18	Alex Stewart	Sponsorship Available	Carl Markl-Ferns	18
Andy Roberts		Coach	Carl Murray	

Warm welcome to today's guests, opposition and referee, We hope a great day and game is enjoyed by all.

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Warrington 1st XV 66 - 0 De La Salle 1st XV

Fans of open rugby, played at pace, displaying skill and subtle passing were treated to a fine performance against opponents who presented a tough physical challenge.

There was no sign of the lethargy of the previous week as the home side attacked from the start. Establishing an early dominance, a sparkling try from Kieran Hughes, engineered by a resurgent Tom Wood was a sign of things to come. From the resultant kick off excellent work down the left between Jack Hannon, Tom Arnold and Steve Pilkington saw Pilkington scorch over. Darren Norman added the first of his eight conversions. The speedsters then went to work. Nathan Beesley went over twice and Kieron Hughes scored his second after a flowing move to make it 32 -0 at half time.

Playing into a strong wind in the second half, Warrington home side had to dig in against a doughty De La Salle and for twenty minutes their defence was tested. After a scoreless third quarter the visitors suddenly tired, not helped by them having a player dismissed. Warrington needed no second invitation and Callander opened the floodgates after a strong run. A rolling maul saw Lynch over near the posts. Tries quickly followed, first from Hughes for his hat trick, and then from Ton McEniff and Steve Pilkington to round off a satisfactory afternoon. Jack Hannon, back at scrum half, injected much needed pace, allowing Wood to play with more freedom. All the backs, given space, can beat any defence and Lynch and Callander again caught the eye.

"Overall, I have to be pleased with our performance. We were by no means perfect, but we defended well and took most of our chances. We will have to be better still when we visit Penrith on 17th November. This is a very tight league this season. We are currently at seventh, but just just five points separate fourth placed Firwood Waterloo from eleventh place Manchester," opined coach Andy Roberts.

Penrith 1st XV 22 - 20 Warrington 1st XV

For the second time this season Warrington suffered a loss in the wilds of Cumbria. But for the second time this season they were very unlucky not to win and once again returned to Walton Lea Road with a losing bonus point, their fourth of the season.

Warrington began well and drove the opposition back at the first set scrum. However, Penrith soon started to dominate the set pieces, although Warrington's counter rucking was a joy to behold throughout and quick ball allowed their excellent backs to show off their talents. Unfortunately, it was Penrith who opened the scoring after just five minutes when forward pressure forced a try under the posts and the conversion gave them a 7 point lead. From the restart, Warrington hit back when Keiran Hughes demonstrated his silky skills to dance through the defence and touch down. Penrith increased their lead when their surprisingly speedy prop forward exploited weak Warrington tackling to touch down under the posts and the conversion gave them a nine point lead. Warrington's defence then stood firm throughout a ten minutes when they were reduced to 14 men when Tom Wood was sin-binned and their resolve was rewarded when Will maudsley backed up another Keiran Hughes break to score in the corner on the stroke of half time.

Playing under floodlights for the second period, Warrington took the lead five minutes into the half when Dan Griffiths sprinted 25 yards to cross near the corner. Nathan Beasley converted the difficult kick and Warrington were ahead for the first time. Penrith then levelled the scores with a well-taken penalty before Warrington were once more reduced to 14 men and the home side took advantage to score an unconverted try. Ten minutes from time, Tom Wood slotted over a penalty and although Warrington applied continuous pressure until the final whistle, they were unable to break the Penrith defence.

"Although it's good to salvage a bonus point from a trip to Cumbria, it is still disappointing to lose a game we could have won," commented coach Andy Roberts. "The good news is that we have now played all our difficult away games, apart from Douglas, and we can look forward to a run of four consecutive home fixtures n December and January. The future looks promising."



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Warrington 2nd XV 10 Sandbach 2nd XV 69

Warrington's weakened second team was well beaten in all phases by a stronger, faster, well-drilled Sandbach outfit, who must be candidates for promotion. However, the young Warrington side competed right up to the final whistle and insisted on running every penalty to continue taking the game to the opposition.

Sandbach wasted no time in getting the scoreboard ticking and racked up three converted tries within fifteen minutes, the first coming from their follically-challenged second row, who was outstanding throughout and would grace any side in North 1 West. Eventually, Warrington managed to move inside Sandbach territory and patient recycling of the ball finally saw Tom Heaps crash over. Unfortunately, a further three converted Sandbach tries came before the turn around, when the score stood at 5-42.

From the restart, Warrington found themselves once again in the Sandbach 22 and managed a second try when the evergreen Mark Tickle squeezed through a gap. However, this was to be their final contribution to the scoreboard as Sandbach turned the screw to score a further 27 unanswered points.

"Obviously, this was a trouncing," said captain Craig Byrne. "But our young side, with three 17 year-olds, stuck at it and will have learnt a lot from the ordeal. We are still third in Sale Sharks Division 1, where Sandbach and Birkenhead Park look set to go up, and I am sure we can continue to do well against the other sides in the Division. Next week, we go to Broughton Park and that is where our revival begins"

Warrington 2nd XV 29 Fylde 3rd XV 26

Warrington's young second team showed great character to come back from being 12 points behind with just twenty minutes to go to claim and excellent victory over a strong Fylde outfit. The win ensures that the side maintains its position at third in the Sale Sharks Division 1 League.



Fylde showed their speed and handling from the kick-off and they were soon 12 points ahead by virtue of two well-taken tries, one of which was converted. Warrington replied when their iconic skipper, Craig Byrne, executed a signature bullocking run to surge over. Ben Dixon converted.

The visitors then increased their lead with two penalties before Warrington man-of-the-match scurried over from scrum half. Unfortunately, on the stroke of half time, Fylde exploited a Warrington knock-on and their busy scrum half dropped a goal so

that the teams turned around with Warrington nine points adrift.

Ten minutes into the second period, Fylde notched up their third try and seemed to be coasting to a win. However, Warrington refused to accept the seemingly inevitable and, as the visitors visibly tired, they turned the screw up front, where their front row of Dom Hastings, Sam Bennett and Alex Marland were dominant throughout, and struck back, scoring three tries in the last quarter. First, wing forward Dave Murphy touched down out wide and then Ben Hart, making a welcome return to the colours, crashed over from short range and Ben Dixon converted. Finally, Will Maudsley crossed in the corner to score the try which gave Warrington victory.

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"I was very proud of the lads today." Said skipper Craig Byrne. "We never gave up and the way we used our forward platform to come back shows that we will present a formidable challenge in the league this season."



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Captain Byrnes scoring a trademark try



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Joseph Jameson must have thought that he was seeing things when he lined up in the Ireland XV to face England at Manchester in February 1892. Either that or he had partaken the night before of one glass too many of the famous whiskey that bore his name.

The reason for his confusion was one James Marsh, now standing before him in the white jersey and red rose of England. Hadn't this same James Marsh stood before him almost three years earlier at the Ballynafeigh Grounds in Belfast . . . playing in the navy blue of Scotland?

Poor Jameson's feelings of deja vu were not the results of any trickery. He was absolutely right in his reading of matters. This was the very same Marsh whose punting and tackling had played a part in Ireland's downfall by a dropped goal to nil in Belfast in 1889. Marsh, who appeared in the three quarter line, was a former Edinburgh Institute pupil who qualified in medicine from Edinburgh University.

He won two caps for Scotland before settling in general practice in the Manchester area. As a young man he joined the Swinton club and his strong all-round play came to the attention of the England selectors, who named him as a centre for the annual North versus South match in 1890-1. The following season he won his sole cap helping England to beat Ireland 7-0.

The immediate upshot of his playing for two of the Home Unions is not recorded. Suffice it to say that he is the only man who has ever played for two Unions in the International Championship.

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24th November 2012, Warrington produced the highest 1st team score at Walton Lea Road, beating Orrell 92 - 5. It was made even sweeter by the fact that Orrell had pipped Warrington to the league title, 18 months previous, on the final day of the season at John Rigby School. It also marked front row colossus Paul Grants 200th 1st team game.

Here's the report from that day.

Sixteen Try Trouncing of Orrell Maintains Warrington's Position at Top of League

Granty Celebrates His 200th Game With Great Win

Eighteen months ago Warrington played Orrell on the last day of the season in a match to decide promotion. Orrell won a game which saw a controversial Warrington dismissal and the winning try scored by Orrell in the fiftieth minute of a strangely extended second half. Saturday's game saw the record books rewritten when Warrington gave their visitors a master class in open flowing rugby which saw them score 16 beautifully constructed tries to maintain their unbeaten run and retain their position on top of South Lancashire/Cheshire 1.





Captained by veteran prop, Paul Grant, celebrating his 200th first team game for the club, Warrington lost no time in getting onto the scoresheet. Thirty seconds into the game, scrum half Tom Wood made a blind side break and offloaded to Kieran Hughes. The diminutive winger showed electric pace from 40 yards before dancing over between the posts to allow Matt Rockey an easy conversion and Warrington were 7 points up.

Warrington pressure was reapplied from the restart and superb hands from the backs saw Andy Almond cross for the first of his two first half tries. At this early stage it was evident that there was only one side on the field. With manof-the-match Danny Fleming making yards every time he carried the ball and with Warrington's back row of Matt Connolly, Jake Ashall and Ashley Rockey in scintillating form, Warrington enjoyed almost total possession and the tries started to flow. Kieran Hughes quickly added two more to his tally, before first half efforts were notched up by Josh Riley and Duncan Rickard, although

Orrell showed they still had competitive spirit when they sneaked over in the corner just before the half time whistle.

The second half saw Warrington rack up a further 49 points with two tries from Zak Lythgoe, one from Tom Wood, four from Ashley Rockey, a fourth from Kieran Hughes and a deserved effort from Danny Fleming. Six conversions came through the boot of Matt

Rockey.

"Obviously, this was top of the league against bottom," commented jubilant coach Steve Riley, "However, the rugby we played today was right out of the top drawer. In fact, I thought it even brought a smile to Darren Abram's lips, but he said it was just wind. We now have to concentrate on the two remaining games we have before the Christmas break. If we can win these, and win well, then we look well set for a good new year. But it's still a long season"





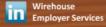
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