

Royston RFC Mini and Youth Section Newsletter



It has been a fantastic start of the season at Royston rugby Club, we have continued to see participation numbers increase across the club, particular highlights being the **Girls fixtures** against Harlow on 18 Nov and the Kids first festival on 7 Oct where Royston was crowned **Quilter Kids First Champions**. Thank you for your support, this newsletter will help you to support the club in many ways, we encourage you to get involved! It's your club!

Niall Tallis. Mini and Youth Chairman

Royston Rugby Club have been named **Quilter Kids First** Champions, This means Royston has been recognised, amongst all rugby clubs nationally, for the way it puts the children at the heart of the rugby we do as a club.

To mark the presentation, the club was joined by a film crew and former England Internationals turned-broadcasters Ugo Monye and David Flatman. The video has been viewed over 60 thousand times on facebook and is making stars of the u10 players on YouTube!



The award marks a commitment by the club to put children first, their enjoyment of rugby is paramount above all else. **Christmas is Coming** - It's a pain thinking of a gift for your partner or children isn't it? There are a number of ways you can support the club this Christmas!

Our rearranged **Andy Goode Speaker's Dinner** is on Saturday 26th January 2019 and tickets make a great gift! Tickets include dinner, after dinner speaker, half a bottle of wine and a disco to finish off the evening. Don't miss out on tickets - these are bound to go fast! £60 a head or a table of 8 for £400, On sale now: Visit the "payments" section of the website.



You can buy Royston **RFC branded Merchandise** from our webshop at Tylers Sportswear, go to the "club shop" link on our homepage. Tylers are our only official club shop and the club gets a percentage of sales. Order by 2nd December for Christmas!

You can gift **membership of the 100 club**, a years number costs £60 up front or £5 a month. Visit the 100 club rules in the "Information" section of the website.

Dates for your diary

9th December – Mini's Christmas Party

15th December – Supporters Lunch at the Heath followed by Royston v Stevenage

20th January – Mott Macdonald Women and Girls Wooden Spoon Event

26th **January** – Speakers Dinner

9th February – Supporters Lunch at the Heath followed by Royston v London Welsh

For more information email treasurer@roystonrugbyclub.co.uk

Key Contacts and Information: For any ideas, issues, complaints or compliments please contact the Mini and Youth Chair Niall Tallis on Youth@Roystonrugbyclub.co.uk.

If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact our safeguarding officer Erika Bosman on Safeguarding@roystonrugbyclub.co.uk.

If you would like to volunteer please contact Louise Baldwin on volunteer@roystonrugbyclub.co.uk.



The Highlight of the Year.....TOUR! -Time is running out – BOOK NOW!

Join us at Bosworth Water Park in Leicestershire on May bank Holiday! Matches vs Market Bosworth RFC, Ashby RFC and Coalville RFC.

Accommodation is camping at £40-£48 per person or DIY at £25 per person.

- Age groups u5 to u15
- Water activities such as raft building, canoeing, sailing we can book in advance, evening activities and South African Braai

Royston Rugby Club Tour 2019



Girls Rugby Update

Royston Rugby club continues to #growthegame as our girls section goes from strength to strength. Inspired by our promoted Ladies side Royston Girls have over doubled their numbers by adding a dedicated U11s side and seeing an emerging U9s with many girls trying rugby for the first time or returning after leaving mixed training.

Wednesday night's see Royston girls team up with Letchworth for GIRLS ONLY training on the Heath 18:30-19:30 for U9s-U18s. Focusing on fun and skills development it's no wonder we just keep adding to numbers. This month saw Royston successfully host Harlow Girls putting out a full team at U13, training with the Under 15s and joining with co-club Letchworth for the Under 18s to play a match, cheered on by sponsor Tees Law.

We are excited to be hosting the U11s Waterfall festival on the 6th January at the Heath and hope to see the club supporting the girls and many more of the local girls picking up the sport!



Seniors Update

Men Regularly fielding 2 sides of a weekend the 1st and 2nd XV's are regaining momentum in their respective tables starting to put the points on and establishing the Crows presence.

With the Christmas break approaching we will see some welcome returns from injury which will see the rested 1s smash into the New Year.

Fancy returning to the game (especially Front row players) or putting on your boots for the first time come along to training (tues & thurs)

Ladies Like the men this month has seen the ladies fortunes return with 2 wins on the bounce and sitting 3rd in their NC2 league.

Touch Exciting times as we have seen members out playing in regional competitions and welcoming new members every week this month. Rory Rees was selected to train for Touch England.

Volunteers Update

Thanks for car park volunteers. This is really important as if we can show that we can manage large groups of people effectively it will help us with future projects at the Heath.

Great feedback from the under 10 Cambs Festival, thanks to everyone involved:

"A thoroughly perfect rugby environment and club preparation for today's Royston based festival. Everything in place from stewards greeting and meeting to direct parking, to sensibly spaced pitches, and club officials fully confident as hosts for this big u10 age group meeting. Well done Niall, Jamie and fellow coaches. It was a pleasure to visit and observe the very best of spectator and player response to RFU's core values." Chris Mepham, Chair of Cambs RFU Youth