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This week we have launched an official, overarching @RFU Twitter account about the community game, for the community game. You can follow [here](#).

## Back In The Game Update

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### 1. ACTION REQUIRED

#### **Payment of Players declaration**

*From 1 March – 30 June 2022, clubs will be able to complete The Payment of Players declaration form under Regulation 7. The form is mandatory for men's level 3 and below who provide material benefits to players.*

### 2. ACTION IF OF INTEREST

#### **@RFU twitter channel now live**

*Follow @RFU to stay up to date with the latest news from the grassroots game. The @RFU feed will act as a hub for information on everything from playing to volunteering, as well as celebrating the very best of the rugby community.*

#### **Honda volunteer hospitality registrations for Guinness Six Nations**

*Details on how club volunteers who already have match tickets for the upcoming Guinness Six Nations matches at Twickenham can register for pre-*

match hospitality in the West Car Park, as part of the Honda Volunteer Recognition Programme.

### **Honda Volunteer of the Year Nominations are now open**

The categories for this year's awards to recognise the efforts and achievements of rugby volunteers across the country are live. You can nominate now.

### **17 Jan - Lower XV expression of interest deadline**

There's less than a week to go for clubs to let us know if they are interested in entering a Lower XV team in RFU men's leagues at Level 7 and below.

Read the eligibility criteria and how to express an interest [here](#).

**Back in the Game** social media assets/posters for the New Year available to download.

## 3. FOR AWARENESS

### **National Rugby Survey – Live on 19 Jan**

This year's survey will go live on 19 January across RFU channels and is an opportunity for everyone to provide their views and feedback to help us try to meet the needs of the game.

### **January 2022 guidance for clubs wishing to organise a First Aid or Play it Safe course**

Before requesting a course, we ask clubs to complete a risk assessment to help with the management of Covid-19

### **Allianz Premier 15s League Entry Mechanism 2023/2024**

The third cycle for the Allianz Premier 15s will remain as a tender process. In June, clubs will be sent an expression of interest form for the 23/24 season.

### **News Round-Up including New Year Honours & Touchline**

Congratulations to all rugby union representatives included in the New Year's Honours list. Read on for more information and for how to subscribe to our Touchline digital newsletter for more stories from around the game.

**Teamwork**

**Respect**

**Enjoyment**

**Discipline**

**Sportsmanship**



