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### FOREWORD

Becoming President of Somerset RFU for the coming season is a tremendous honour. I would like to



thank the Committee for electing me and congratulate Steve Meads, who remains on our Committee as RFU Representative after serving as President for three years.

For me, being President is the culmination of a long association with rugby and a real love for the sport. Having been involved with Somerset Rugby for seventeen years, I have seen the huge contributions made by current and former Committee members and I would like to acknowledge all of them. Like many volunteers around the country, they work so hard to support and manage our great game.

Rugby is built on a unique set of core values: Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline, and Sportsmanship. It is what attracts so many young people to the game and keeps them involved throughout their lives from attending international matches to supporting and playing grassroots rugby. It is important that we do not forget those core values as we strive to reinvigorate and strengthen the game after the long-term effects of the COVID pandemic.

Our values will also help us to become more inclusive as we strive to ensure that rugby union represents the face of modern England, not least so that we can increase participation and grow the game. To this end, diversity and inclusion are key as we try to attract more people to play and watch our great game. We are also enjoying a surge of energy within the women's sport, and this will be only heightened by the Women's Six Nations and Women's World Cup to look forward to in 2024.

We strive at Somerset RFU to be effective and efficient whilst supporting the community and rugby clubs to deliver their rugby activity. The County Committee is too often underrated for the amount of time and effort that they put in as volunteers. Please work with us to ensure that the needs of the clubs, their members and the wider game are understood, supported and ultimately met. I want to assure you that we are available to help, offer support and guidance, so please do contact us with any queries. Thank you and I look forward to meeting you over the coming season.

Steve Arnold, SCRFU President



### HANDBOOK SEASON 2023 - 2024

### FOREWORD BY, PRESIDENT, RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION 2023 - 2024

It is a great pleasure to be able to contribute to the Somerset Rugby Handbook and wish you all well for the season. I know that there are many challenges in the game today and I am very aware that many volunteers in your clubs and Constituent Body are working hard to overcome these difficulties.



The impact of Covid and the many months without contact rugby added to the challenges already apparent in the community game. These include societal changes which have brought about the players wanting to play less frequently, fear of injury, rugby participation in schools, difficult economic conditions, the transition from age grade to adult rugby and reducing numbers playing rugby in schools. However, I know that the RFU, together with its constituent bodies, are currently looking at the community game's future and creating a plan for continued investment and focus over the next decade.

Added to the issues facing the community game are the financial difficulties being faced by our professional clubs. It is hoped that the improved relationship between the RFU and Premiership Rugby and the Professional Game Agreement currently in negotiation, will provide an opportunity to restructure the game and lead the position of a more sustainable future for the professional game in England.

Even though the game faces many challenges in the coming years, there is much to look forward to particularly in the international game. Following the recent successes of the Red Roses in the newly formed WXV competition and as Grand Slam winners, England will be hosting the World Cup in 2025 with games being played at venues throughout the country. Also, with England Men's team having some success at the recent World Cup in France, we can look forward to the next Six Nations with renewed confidence.

The main theme of my Presidential year will be to promote our core values and in particular Respect. I believe that if this value is adhered to then most of the other values should fall into place. If those involved the game respect each other, rugby should continue to flourish, and parents will encourage their children to have rugby as their sport of choice. We all need to strive to uphold these values and I know that the dedicated volunteers in Somerset are showing the way and are at the forefront in promoting these values.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the fantastic volunteers that have willingly given of their valuable time and expertise to support rugby in Somerset. Finally, I wish you all well for the coming season and look forward to seeing the continued development of rugby in the County and its clubs for many years to come.

Rob Briers President, Rugby Football Union







### RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

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### COMMITTEE

Officers of the Union

President: Steve Arnold (E: steve.arnold@somersetrfu.co.uk)
Chair: to be appointed
County Secretary: Caroline Holt, County Registered Office
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### **Elected Members**

Alison Bennett (H: 01935 850 004; M: 07732 788777; E: alison.bennett@somersetrfu.co.uk) Gareth Chew (M: 07738 220731; E: gareth.chew@somersetrfu.co.uk) Herbie Davies (H: 01749 672 635; E: herbie.davies@somersetrfu.co.uk) Steve Mead (H: 0117 932 8616; M: 07854 290 290; E: steve.mead@somersetrfu.co.uk) Nick Robins (E: nick.robins@somersetrfu.co.uk) Neil Prescott (H: 01278 420795; M: 07545 020626; E: neil.prescott@somersetrfu.co.uk) Matt Nebel (E: matt.nebel@somersetrfu.co.uk)

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Steve Arnold (E: steve.arnold@somersetrfu.co.uk) James Fletcher (E: james.fletcher@somersetrfu.co.uk) Gavin Sadler (E: gavin.sadler@somersetrfu.co.uk)

### **Divisional Representatives**

Division A: vacant Division B: G. Chew Division C: vacant Division D: N. Robins, N Prescott Division E: A. Bennett, H.R. Davies, M. Nebel

### Representative of Somerset Clubs on the RFU Council:

Steve Mead (H: 0117 932 8616; M: 07854 290 290; E: stevemead@rfu.com)



### Nominations for Officers of the Union

Members and Honorary Secretaries are reminded that under the Bye-Laws of the RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION nominations for the Representative of the Somerset Clubs must be sent to the Honorary Secretary of the County before 1st March and that under the Rules of the Somerset County RFU Ltd nominations for Officers must be received by 30th April.

RFU Rule 18 – Election of Constituent Body Representatives to the RFU Council RFU Council representative term of office is three years from date of appointment. The current term runs from August 2023 to 31st July 2025. The position is up for election / re-election in March 2026.

The election of representatives to the Council shall be made before 1st April each year. All candidates for election or re-election must be proposed by one and seconded by another club comprising the relevant Constituent Body including itself. Every nomination must be in writing and must be received by the Secretary of the Constituent Body by no later than 1st March.

Full details can be found on the RFU website at **www.rfu.com** (RFU Rule 18) and job and person specifications can be obtained from the County Secretary.

### Appointments

Hon. Discipline Secretary: Alison Bennett (H: 01935 850 004; M:07732 788777; E: alison.bennett@somersetrfu.co.uk)

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SCRFU Archivist: Herbie Davies (H: 01749 672 635; E: herbie.davies@somersetrfu.co.uk)

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Bankers: Lloyds Bank Auditors: Haines Watts Webmaster: John Fennell (E: john.fennell@somersetrfu.co.uk)



### Sub-Committees

#### **Finance & Governance**

Treasurer: M Wicks (Chair), C. Holt (Secretary), S. Arnold (President/Director of Rugby), S. Mead (RFU Council Member), A Bennett (Discipline/Facilities & Club Development), N Robins (Competitions)

Facilities & Club Development A. Bennett

Competitions N. Robins (Chair), N. Prescott, A. Derry, A. Bennett, T. Sweetland, S. Mead

Discipline A. Bennett (Chair), N. Robins, N. Prescott, S. Deere

Senior Playing S. Arnold (Chair), Z. Strode

Age Grade Representative Rugby Vacant

Bath Combination S. Mead

Bristol Combination S. Mead

South West Mutual Benefit Fund

N. Robins, M. Wicks

Somerset County Schools Union

P. Shepherd



### ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUB-COMMITTEES

### **Finance & Governance**

Produce a 3-year rolling County Strategic Plan consistent with the RFU's Plan and review it on an annual basis.

Establish and maintain an infrastructure for the organisation and management of SCRFU member clubs under the RFU Rules and Regulations.

Assist the RFU in the delivery of the Game and the RFU's policies. Support the collective and strategic aims of the RFU.

Support the organisation and administration of the Game including providing such expertise to the RFU Council, its Committees and Working Parties as may be required from time to time.

As far as possible, maintain and extend the number of clubs and individual members in membership of SCRFU.

Provide support and all necessary representation to the RFU and other appropriate bodies and groups.

Provide adequate level of medical facilities at all SCRFU representative matches and maintain a duty of care to all those who have been seriously injured.

Promote the Game at all levels by actively marketing the SCRFU's activities, seeking out sponsorship and funding opportunities for SCRFU and its member clubs.

Provide information and advice to SCRFU member clubs and individual members on matters of mutual interest.

Provide seminars and forums to facilitate opportunities for all SCRFU member clubs on matters affecting them.

Act as a communication channel between clubs, districts and the RFU particularly through the Council Member.

Develop links through the media.

Facilitate and encourage links with other recreation and leisure bodies. Draw up annual budgets and establish budgetary control procedures. Finance activities in compliance with RFU Regulations.



### Competitions

Organise and manage, where appropriate, competitions including cups, leagues and merit tables for SCRFU member clubs.

### Discipline

The Disciplinary Panel deals with all disciplinary matters on behalf of the Management Committee under powers delegated by the RFU Support and liaise with SCRFU Referees Society and clubs where appropriate.

Club Secretaries and Match Officials are requested to familiarise themselves with the disciplinary procedures in the RFU Handbook and to follow the regulations shown.

All clubs are required to appoint their own Club Discipline Panel.

The Disciplinary Panel will meet as and when required to discharge its duties. The administration charge for the current season in respect of cases arising is £50 and is payable before a case is heard. The Disciplinary Panel is empowered to levy discretionary fines for any breach or non-conformance with RFU Disciplinary procedures in addition to the administration charge.

It is required that all clubs should report the details of any sending-off, in line with the requirements of the RFU Disciplinary procedures, within 48 hours of the end of a match, to the County Disciplinary Secretary.

Match Officials are also required to submit their clear formal reports to the County Disciplinary Secretary within 48 hours after the end of a match.

Both these requirements apply to all matches, including youth and junior games. For information relating to 'Citings' refer to the RFU Handbook.

Any queries should be addressed in the first instance to the County Disciplinary Secretary.

### Hon. Discipline Secretary: Alison Bennett

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### **Club Development**

Have responsibility for recognising and rewarding volunteers. Liaise with clubs and RFU Facilities Manager to support clubs with facilities issues.

Encourage links with various target groups such as those with disabilities and those who are underprivileged for whatever reason and foster links with Women's Rugby and encourage its development.

Support the rugby playing and non-rugby-playing schools as defined by the RFU within the SCRFU area.

### Age Grade, Coaching and Senior Playing Committees

Have responsibility for providing teams at all age levels for SCRFU representative matches and provide the ancillary services and organisation for the staging of those matches.

Encourage participation in and have responsibility for the development of players, at all age and ability levels, to their full potential.

Develop coaches, at all age and ability levels, to their full potential.



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### PAST OFFICERS OF THE UNION

1884-1885 1885-1891 1891-1901	E.J. Stanley, M.P. The M.P.s for the County The Marguis of Bath, K.G.
1901-1902	F.H. Fox
	F. Sloane
1903-1905	W.H. Manfield
1905-1934	Wm. S. Donne
1934-1941	Frank West
1946-1947	T.S. Bradford
1947-1955	W.H. Tamlyn
1955-1961	R.G.B. Quick
1961-1964	Arthur House
1964-1967	H.L. Bradford
1967-1969	G.H. Bastable
1969-1971	T.R.I. Morrish
1971-1972	T.J.M. Barrington
1972-1973	A.O. Lewis
1973-1975	B.A. Tuttiett
1975-1977	E.J. Garland
1977-1979	A.O. Lewis
1979-1981	W.R.G. Pearce
1981-1982	R.A.M. Whyte
1982-1983	E.G.W. Gunter
1983-1984	J.D. Wooldridge
1984-1985	G.C. Barrett

### **Honorary Secretaries**

1877-1882	H. Fox
1882-1885	A.A. Mitchell
1884-1891	F.H. Fox
1891-1893	G. Fox
1893-1896	S.S. Smith / W.B. Lucas
1897-1905	Wm. S. Donne
1905-1907	B. Morris
1907-1941	F. West
1941-1964	L.W. Bisgrove
1964-1965	H.L.Bradford (acting)
1966-1975	E.J. Garland
1975-1981	R.A.M. Whyte
1981-1993	F.J. Ellison
1993-2003	C. MacDonald
2003-2015	A. Shorney
2015-2018	N. Skinner
2018-2023	G. Chew
2023-	C. Holt

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#### A.M. Williams F.J. Thomas H.R.J. Davies T.H. Smith F.C. Cross H.M. Jones W.A. Bishop H.M. Jones F.J. Ellison R.T. Bagg J.A. Stockwell B.C.J. Saunders C. MacDonald B. Durnford M.R. Berry J.R. Williams J.P. Whittock J. Hole D. Smith D. Chalmers A. Shorney M. Hawkes S. Mead S. Arnold

#### **Honorary Treasurers**

1877-1882	H. Fox
1882-1885	A.A. Mitchell
1885-1891	F.H. Fox
1891-1900	G. Fox
1900-1903	W.T. Webb
1903-1907	F. West
1907-1912	W.H. Tamlyn
1912-1928	W.S. Growtage
1928-1946	W.H. Tamlyn
1946-1961	Arthur House
1961-1969	T.R.I. Morrish
1969-1979	W.R.G. Pearse
1979-1996	M.J. Wood
1996-2003	A.R. Young
2003-2015	M.R. Berry
2015-	M Wicks



### Men's Captains

1875-1877	J.J.E. Wilmott	1977-1978	C.Kent / J. Waterman / J. Ackerman
1877-1878	H. Fox	1978-1979	R. Speed / F. Hartley
1878-1879	H.F. Willmott	1979-1980	G. Parsons
1879-1881	J.D. Aguilar	1980-1981	M. Fry / R. Lye
1881-1882	H. Massey	1981-1985	J. Horton
1882-1884	H.G. Fuller	1985-1986	S. Jones
1884-1885	F.E. Hancock	1986-1987	G. Crane / M. Reece
1885-1888	R.A. Glass	1987-1988	N. Maslen / J. Horton
1888-1893	F.H. Fox	1988-1989	C. Lilley
1893-1896	P.F. Hancock / S.M.J. Woods	1989-1990	G. Crane / M. Reece
1896-1899	F. Sloane	1990-1991	M. Reece
1899-1900	G.M. Carey	1991-1992	C. Book
1900-1901	F.A. Leslie Jones	1992-1993	M. Reece
1901-1904	H.T. Gamlin	1993-1994	N. Edmonds / S. Withey
1904-1905	F.W.C. Coles	1994-1995	J. Bamsey / M. Westcott
1905-1906	J.T. Timmins	1995-1996	M. Westcott
1906-1907	R. Dibble / W.M. Perry	1996-1998	M. Venner
1907-1908	G.V. Kyrke / T. Woods / H.E. Shewring	1999-2001	M. Pells
1908-1909	R. Dibble / T. Woods / J.T. Timmins	2001-2002	D. Bird
1909-1911	R. Dibble	2002-2003	J. Gordon
1911-1913	V.H.M. Coates	2003-2004	R. Cox
1913-1914	R. Dibble	2004-2005	C. Rowlands / M. Stiles
1914-1920	R. Dibble / J. Jarvis / A. Spriggs	2005-2006	G. Cooper / A. Glen
1920-1921	R. Dibble / P.P. Hope / J. Jarvis / S.H. Budd	2006-2007	M. Styles
1921-1927	R.G.B. Quick	2007-2008	G. Cooper / M. Denbee
1927-1928	H.B.L. Wake	2008-2009	M. Rhodes / M. Denbee
1928-1930	A.J. Spriggs	2009-2010	C. McGrath
1930-1931	T.D. Corpe	2010-2011	C. Rowlands
1931-1932	N.W. Mathews	2011-2012	C. Rowlands
1932-1933	G.G. Gregory	2012-2013	E. Hack
1933-1937	R.A. Gerrard	2012-2013	E. Hack
1937-1938	R.A. Gerrard / F.W. Williams	2014-2015	E. Hack
1938-1939	R.A. Gerrard / F.C. Goddard	2014-2013	B. Harvey
1945-1946	J.H. Biley / D.L. Roberts	2017-2018	L. Appleton / C. Lynch / S. Williams
1946-1947	D.L. Roberts / I.J.M. Lumsden		
1947-1948	D.L. Roberts / F.H. Discombe	2018-2019	B. Harvey
1948-1949	D.L. Roberts / F.H. Discombe / K. O'Shaughnessy	2021-2022	B. Harvey / M. Spencer
1949-1950	A.H. Burcombe	2022-2023	S. Taylor
1950-1951	M.D. Corbett		
1951-1952	M.D. Corbett / A.O. Lewis	Women's	Captains
1952-1953	A.O. Lewis / B.A. Tuttiett		
1953-1955	B.A. Tuttiett	2015-2016	
1955-1956	B.A. Tuttiett / J.W. Collard / J. Blake	2015-2016	S. Boys / D. Travers A. Edmonds / H. Edmonds /
1956-1958	J. Blake / H.F.C. Brown	2016-2017	R. Brown / R. Forbes
	J. Blake	2017-2018	A. Constable / E. Bird
1959-1960			
1960-1961	J.D. Currie	2018-2019	A. Constable / E. Bird
1961-1962	G. Williams / J.D. Currie	2021-2022	M. Wynne / E. Bird
1962-1963	J.D. Currie		
1963-1964	D.St.G. Hazel		
1964-1965	L. Davies		
1965-1966	C.W. McFadyean		
1967-1968	C.W. McFadyean / G.G. White		
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1970-1971	J.S. Waterman		
1971-1972	J.S. Waterman B.A. Dovey		
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### SOUTH-WESTERN ÞIVISION RUGBY FOOTBALL MUTUAL BENEFIT FUNÞ

The fund, founded by the late Tom Lean of Plymouth in 1920, is administered by official representatives of Cornwall, Devon, Cloucestershire and Somerset, to provide financial assistance to players, officials and referees, or, in the case of death where there is hardship, to relatives of the same.

The assistance given over the years has been considerable, but owing to the development of the game on a more physical basis the number of injuries is not only increasing, but becoming more serious, and the question of insurance is a matter which should be looked into. There are still a number of clubs in the South West who have apparently overlooked the important factor of making sure their players are adequately covered against any injury and the attention of every club is therefore drawn to the advantages to be obtained from taking up Membership of the South Western Mutual Benefit Fund.

- 1. The insurance taken up with the Fund for loss of earnings Benefit will now cover up to £50 PER DAY. (All claims are based on a 6-day week.)
- This year the RFU will pay for the Compulsory and Public/Employers Liability direct. The fund has therefore reduced the Premiums to show this.
- 3. Maximum period of Benefit is 156 days, although this can be increased in special circumstances at the Committee's discretion.
- 4. In addition to LOSS OF EARNINGS BENEFIT, cover also includes PHYSIOTHERAPY and DENTAL TREATMENT not available under the DHSS.
- 5. You will see the Fund was founded in 1920 under the aegis of the South West Constituent Bodies for rugby people.

### Full details are available from Roger Farthing,

49a Bridge Street, Taunton TAI 1TP (H: 01823 271576; T: 01823 331335)

#### WARNING

An upsurge in the number of casual games such as Pub XVs has been reported. Club officials would be well advised to inform their players that they are unlikely to be covered for any form of insurance when playing in games not on a club's normal fixture list.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICES**

Death from Heart Failure or Collapse does not come within the cover afforded by the Rules of the Fund.

Death by Natural Causes cover can be obtained from the RFU.

If claims are not notified in accordance with the rules, and the correct information given, then a claim may be rejected.



### NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF CLUBS RE PRACTICE MATCHES

Your attention is drawn to the following:

### RULE 8, CLAUSE C

Claims for compensation shall be paid only for accidents to players occurring on the field of play during the progress of a bona fide match or practice game.

#### Note:

Either Bona fide matches and practice games must appear on the Club fixture list or official notification must have been sent to the Honorary Secretary of the Fund. Ordinary club 'kick-abouts' or practice sessions which do not comply with these conditions are NOT covered.

### CLAIMS PROCEDURE

- Immediately a player is injured in the field of play, his Club Secretary must be informed. The Honorary Secretary of the Fund should receive the Claim Form with all relevant documents requested within TWENTY-ONE DAYS of the injury or the claim will be REJECTED.
- Nett Weekly Wage is the actual amount received by the player after all statutory deductions such as NHS, Tax, etc., have been deducted and it is essential copies or proof of wages are sent.
- As soon as the player has been declared fit to resume his occupation, the final medical certificate should be sent to the Honorary Secretary of the Fund, when benefit due will be paid, providing everything is in order.
- It is primarily the responsibility of the player and his Captain to ensure the Official dealing with insurance is notified without undue delay of any injury to a player.

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### THE WEBB ELLIS SOMERSET CUP

### SOMERSET KNOCK-OUT CUP FINALS

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2014-15	Wells	14	Hornets	30
2015-16	Weston-Super-Mare	27	Hornets	31
2016-17	Weston-Super-Mare	33	Clevedon	19
2017-18	Hornets	29	University of Bath	19
2018-19	Taunton	22	North Petherton	18
2021-22	Hornets	53	Wellington	27
2022-23	Weston-Super-Mare	36	Chew Valley	33



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### **DEFINITIONS:**

CLUB/TEAM means club or team entitled to take part in the competition.

Committee means Competitions Sub-Committee of the County Union.

**Competitions Organiser** means the person to whom the Committee delegate the administration of the Competitions.

County Union means the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Limited

Home Clubs defined by Regulation 4.2 & 4.3

RFU means the Rugby Football Union

Society means the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Referee's Society Limited.

Weather Conditions shall be deemed to include but not be limited to bad or inadequate light as decided by the match Referee.

**World Rugby** means the world governing body of the game of which at the date of the adoption of these Rules is the International Rugby Board of which the Union is a member.

**World Rugby Regulations** means the Resolutions and Regulations relating to the game promulgated by World Rugby from time to time.

### **DESCRIPTION AND FORM**

- 1.1 the Competitions shall be called "The Somerset RFU Cup, The Somerset RFU Vase and, if required, The Somerset RFU Bowl" (The Competitions). These Rules apply to all of these Competitions.
- 1.2 All matches in the Competitions shall be played under the World Rugby Laws of the Game and the Regulations of World Rugby and the RFU current at the commencement of the Competitions in so far as the same are not varied by or inconsistent with the Regulations. Where there is any conflict between the World Rugby and/or the RFU Regulations and these Regulations, then these Regulations shall prevail.

### ORGANISING COMMITTEE

- 2.1 The Competitions shall be organised and administered by the Committee.
- 2.2 The Committee shall have the power to delegate any of its duties, powers or obligations under these regulations to a Competitions Organiser.
- 2.3 Subject to the provisions of Regulation 13, decisions of the Committee shall be final and binding on any matter not provided for in and on the interpretation of these Regulations.



### ELIGIBILITY OF CLUBS/TEAMS AND PLAYERS

- 3.1 The Cup Competition will be open to member clubs of the County Union that play at Counties 1 (Level 7) or above. The remaining teams are eligible for the County Vase competition. However, with regard to a University or College that does not take part in The English Clubs Rugby Union Championship, then the Committee may in its absolute discretion place that team in the Competitions after giving due consideration to its playing strength. Only one team from each club will be eligible to enter one or other competition.
- 3.2 Any Club wishing to participate must signify its wish to do so to the Competitions Organiser by the date set by them. In the interests of promoting participation in the competition, there will be no requirement to lodge a Bond.
- 3.3 The Competitions will proceed with the number of clubs that have signified that they wish to enter.
- 3.4 In the event of a club or team unjustifiably failing to fulfil a fixture, the Committee may exclude it from the Competition.
- 3.5 A club shall play or select as replacements only players who on the date of the match are bona fide members of that club. In the case of a club that is a University or College, they shall only play Eligible Participants as defined by the British Universities & Colleges Sport Regulations.
- 3.6 A club shall not be represented in the front row of a scrummage by any player under 18 years of age, whether the scrummage is contested or uncontested.
- 3.7 A club shall not be represented by a player who has either played in or been selected as a replacement for any other club in either Competition. Any player who has played or been selected for any club in any team or squad which plays at Level 4 (National 2) or above five times shall become ineligible to play in either competition.
- 3.8 A club may select up to seven replacements/substitutes. If the match squad contains twenty-two players, then it must contain five players capable of playing in the front row. (Rolling substitutions are allowable to a maximum of twelve interchanges.)
- 3.9 In the interest of safety, each team playing in each match in the Competitions must have at least five players in their nominated match squad, all at least 18 years old, who are suitably trained and experienced to be capable of playing in the front row to ensure that on the first or second occasions (whether owing to injury or consequent to a player(s) being temporarily suspended or ordered off) that a front row player is required to be replaced, the team can continue to play safely with contested scrums.



- 3.10 If in any match on the first or second occasion any front row player requires to be replaced and his team cannot provide a suitably trained and experienced replacement player at least 18 years old to play in such position in the front row of the scrum to enable the teams to continue to play safely with contested scrums (the referee having made enquiry of and confirmed this fact with the captain of the team or such other person nominated by the Club as the manager or other person responsible for the team), the match will continue with uncontested scrums and the offending team will be prevented from replacing the injured player(s). Subject to Regulation 3.13 below, the final result will stand.
- 3.11 Subject only to the proviso contained in Regulation 3.12 below, if in any match in the Competitions on the third or subsequent occasion any front row player requires to be replaced and his team cannot provide a suitably trained and experienced replacement player to enable the teams to continue to play safely with contested scrums (the referee having made enquiry of and confirmed this fact with the team captain or other person nominated by the Club as manager or other person responsible for the team), the match will continue with uncontested scrums. Subject to Regulation 3.13 below, the final score will stand.
- 3.12 Where a player or players is/are temporarily suspended from the field of play (which includes a blood injury), which creates a third or subsequent occasion that a front row player needs to be replaced and his team cannot provide a replacement or other player aged 18 years of age or older suitably trained and experienced to enable the team to play safely with contested scrums the referee having made enquiry of the team captain (or other person nominated by the Club as manager or responsible for the team) of the side affected, the match shall continue with uncontested scrums (but such uncontested scrums shall continue only for the duration of the temporary suspension). The match result will not be deemed to be invalidated by reason of part of it being played with uncontested scrums.
- 3.13 The Committee will review the circumstances in every case where a match in the Competitions is completed with uncontested scrums. The Committee will be entitled to take any such action as it deems appropriate (such action may include reversal of the match result, a fine and/or payment of compensation, and/or disqualification from the Competitions in the Season and/or the following season, the inclusion of the non-offending team in the next round of the Competitions and/or requiring that the match be replayed) where the Committee finds that there has been a breach of any Regulation governing the Competitions or that a Club in a match in the Competitions acting other than in good faith has taken advantage of the provisions of this Regulation 3.5 and in particular 3.10 and 3.11.

**Note:** The intention of Regulations 3.9 to 3.13 (inclusive) is to penalise Clubs who try improperly to take advantage of a situation to ensure a match is played (or finished) with uncontested scrums.



### THE COMPETITIONS FORMAT AND DRAWS

- 4.1 The Competitions shall comprise the number of rounds appropriate to the number of clubs participating, including semi-finals and a final.
- 4.2 The first named club to be drawn in a match prior to the semi-finals shall be the home club, and, unless otherwise agreed, the venue for that match shall be the ground of that home club.
- 4.3 The home club in the semi-finals and final shall be determined by the Competitions Committee.
- 4.4 The semi-finals and finals shall be played at neutral venues as determined by the Committee unless otherwise agreed by the clubs and the Competitions Committee as and when appropriate.
- 4.5 Draws shall be arranged by the Competitions Committee as and when appropriate.
- 4.6 All Matches shall be played on fixed dates determined by the Competitions Committee unless some other date is specified by the Competitions Committee or the Clubs concerned mutually agree to rearrange the date and such rearrangement has been approved by the Competitions Committee. Matches in the Competitions take precedence over all other fixtures save for those in the English Clubs Rugby Union Championship or any other RFU arranged competitions.
- 4.7 A match may be played on a date in advance of the fixed date or at a different venue if both clubs agree in writing to that effect at least forty-eight hours before the match is due to take place and such rearrangement(s) has/have been approved by the Competitions Committee.

**Note:** Clubs must bear in mind the effect of any rearrangement(s) on (i) the following rounds of the Competitions to ensure they are not necessarily delayed and (ii) the availability of Match Officials.

#### DRAWN MATCHES

- 5.1 In all matches up to and including quarter-finals, if after forty minutes of play each way the scores are level, there shall be a five-minute break. After this break, the teams will change ends and there shall be a period of extra time between the teams of ten minutes each way, with a one-minute interval. If the scores are then still equal, the team that has scored the most tries goes forward into the next round. If this does not produce a result, the team that has scored the most goals from tries shall go forward into the next round. If the scores, number of tries and goals from tries are still equal, the visiting team shall go forward into the next round.
- 5.2 in the semifinals and final, if after forty minutes of play each way the scores are level, there shall be a five-minute break.



After this break, the teams will change ends and there shall be a period of extra time between the teams of ten minutes each way, with a one-minute interval. If the scores are then still equal, the team that has scored the most tries shall be the winner. If this does not produce a result, the team that has scored most goals from tries shall be the winner. If no result is then achieved, the result shall be decided in the following manner.

Each team shall nominate one player from its number on the field of play at the final whistle to participate on its behalf in a "sudden death" place kicking competition. Each kicker in turn shall attempt a place kick from pre-determined positions until such time as after an equal number of attempts one kicker has kicked more goals than the other.

These attempts will be made towards the goal posts (determined by the Referee) and the first kick shall be taken by the team that kicked off at the commencement of the match. The attempts will be taken in the following positions (in turn) repeating the sequence until a decision is reached: -

- a. The centre of the 22m line.
- b. Intersection of the 22m line and 15m line to the left of the posts facing.
- c. Intersection of the 22m line and 5m line to the left of the posts facing.
- d. Intersection of the 22m line and 15m line to the right of the posts facing.
- e. Intersection of the 22m line and 5m line to the right of the posts facing.

#### POSTPONED AND ABANDONED MATCHES

- 6.1 If weather conditions prevent a match being played or a match is abandoned because of such conditions with less than sixty minutes having been played, it shall be played or replayed before the date of the next round on a day and at a time agreed by the two clubs concerned and by the Committee. If there is no agreement within 4 days of the date of the match which was not played or was abandoned or if the date and time agreed between the two Clubs are not acceptable to the Committee, the date and kick-off time will be as directed by the Committee upon the application of either Club.
- 6.2 If a match is abandoned because of weather conditions when sixty or more minutes have been played, then the score at the moment of abandonment shall stand and be deemed the final score in the match. The Referee's decision as to the necessity for abandonment and the number of minutes played at the moment of abandonment shall be final.
- 6.3 If the Referee finds it necessary to abandon a match for any reason other than weather conditions, then, irrespective of the number of minutes played, the result of that match will be determined by the Committee. The Committee may order the match to be replayed, in which event the match will take place on a date and venue directed by the Committee.



### GROUNDS

- 7.1 The home club (other than in the semi-finals and final) is responsible for correctly and clearly marking its pitch. In addition, it must make proper provision to ensure that (with the exception of the touch judges, fourth official, doctor or first aider/other suitably medically qualified person and one water carrier from each club) all spectators, replacements, coaches' replacements and others are kept at a reasonable distance from the field of play.
- 7.2 When a late decision (i.e. a decision made or to be made within three hours of the scheduled kick-off time) as to the fitness of a pitch for the playing of a match is necessary, it shall be made by the respective captains (or nominated representatives) of the clubs involved, but if the captains are not able to agree, an opinion as to the fitness of the pitch shall be made by the appointed Referee.

**Note:** The Referee's responsibility is limited to deciding whether or not the pitch is in his opinion playable. Any decision reached that a game should or should not commence is the decision of the Clubs concerned.

7.3 The home club must ensure full compliance with RFU Regulation 9 with particular reference to Regulation 9.3 - Pitch-Side First Aid and Immediate Care Provision for all matches, details for which can be found on the England Rugby website at www.englandrugby.com, under the Participation heading - Player Welfare - Rugby Safe links.

### MATCH OFFICIALS

8.1 The Society shall appoint or arrange for the appointment of match officials for all matches. The home club shall be responsible for liaising with (i) the appointed match officials as to the match arrangements (ii) the Society at the earliest opportunity in relation to any proposed change in the match arrangements and (iii) with the appointed official(s) directly to ensure that such official(s) is/are aware of rearrangements and has/ have the appropriate directions to the venue of the match (or any change of venue).

### CLASH OF COLOURS/IDENTIFICATION OF PLAYERS

- 9.1 In the event of clubs having similar or clashing colours, the away club shall be responsible for changing its colours subject to the satisfaction of the appointed referee.
- 9.2 The jerseys of teams competing in the Competitions shall be numbered in accordance with World Rugby requirements to ensure the correct identification of all players and replacements during a match.

### KICK-OFFS AND DELAYED ARRIVALS

10.1 All scheduled matches shall start at the time notified by the home club to its opponent club not less than three days prior to the match, and shall be between 2pm and 3pm on weekends and public holidays and between 7pm and 8pm on weekdays.



An alternative kick-off time may be agreed by the Committee. A kick-off time may be specified by the Committee if upon appeal by the opponent club the Committee deems the time specified by the home club unreasonable. Any delay in kicking-off from the pre-determined time may be reported by the non-offending club to the Committee, which may impose such penalty as it sees fit.

### NOTIFICATION OF RESULTS

- 11.1 The Secretary of the club qualifying for the next round is responsible for informing the Competitions Administrator of the result of a match within forty-eight hours of the conclusion of the match.
- 11.2 Match cards will be required for each team in each match with players' details being scrutinised against the relevant GMS/EMC database. Each match result card must specify the result of the game, including number of tries scored for each side and a list of the players and replacements involved and must be signed by a club official and the match Referee. Results will be processed onto GMS.

### FINANCE

- 12.1 Semi-final and final matches only in the Competitions shall be "gate taking" matches and shall be "all pay" save for those attending who are under 16 years of age. The gross receipts from the semi-finals and final shall be delivered to the Competitions Administrator, who shall deduct proper expenses and the balance shall be divided as to one-third to each of the participating clubs and one-third to the County Union.
- 12.2 To encourage participation in either of the competitions there will be a winner's prize of £300 for the Cup and £150 for the Vase.

### PROTESTS, DISPUTES AND TRANSGRESSIONS

- 13.1 Any complaint of an alleged breach of these Regulations must be made to the Competitions Organiser immediately by telephone, or as soon as possible, and written confirmation thereof be sent within forty-eight hours of the cause of the complaint in full. The Committee shall have absolute discretion (and using such procedures as in its absolute discretion it deems appropriate) to resolve any such complaint as it shall see fit and may decline a complaint validly made if it considers doing so to be in the interests of the Competitions generally or the game of Rugby Football. Subject only to the provisions of Regulation 13.2, the decision of the Committee shall be final and binding.
- 13.2 Where any party having an interest in the matter is aggrieved by any decision of the Committee taken pursuant to Regulation 13.1 above or otherwise in relation to the Competitions, it shall have the right to appeal that decision within forty-eight hours of the decision of the Committee being announced, giving full details of the grounds of such appeal and supplying all evidence upon which it wishes to rely.



In submitting its application, the Complainant Club must lodge a fee of £100, which payment will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.

13.3 The Management Committee in dealing with any appeal may use such procedure as in its absolute discretion it may decide.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

- 14.1 Each club in consideration of the monies received by it from the County Union or any funding from a sponsor(s) whether or not received direct from the sponsor(s) or any third party for participating in the Competitions agrees that by commencing its first match in the Competitions it has entered into a legally binding obligation with the County Union and separate obligations with each other club in the Competitions, and with any sponsor(s) of the Competitions that it will fulfil its fixtures in the Competitions, comply with these Regulations and will indemnify any club which suffers loss due to failure to fulfil a fixture subject to the duty of the loss sustaining club to mitigate its losses so far as reasonably practicable.
- 14.2 Any club agreeing to play in the Competitions agrees that by entering or commencing its first match in the Competitions it has entered into a legally binding obligation with the County Union, any sponsor of the Competitions and as a separate covenant with each other Club in the Competitions, Referee, Touch Judge or Match Official involved in any match in the Competitions or cancellation or abandonment thereof that it will not hold liable or make any claim against such official, the Committee or the County Union: or any loss, charge, compensation or expense arising out of or in connection with any kind of injury or illness suffered by any player, spectator or other person,

- for any damage to property of any kind,

- for any other loss, cost, charge, expense or damages be it financial or consequential loss of profit or additional expense incurred or otherwise and whether directly or consequential or in relation to the result of any match, arising out of or due to any decision or action that may be taken under the Laws of the Game these Regulations or any other rules or regulations published by the RFU or in respect of the normal procedures to hold, play, control or abandon a match.



### THE WEBB ELLIS SOMERSET VASE

### SOMERSET KNOCK-OUT VASE FINALS

2005-06	Minehead Barbarians	6
2006-07	Midsomer Norton	32
2007–08	Avon	18
2008-09	Tor	16
2009–10	Bristol Harlequins	11
2010-11	Wellington	13
2011-12	Old Bristolians	7
2012-13	Chew Valley	16
2013–14	Chew Valley	31
2014–15	Midsomer Norton	25
2015-16	Yatton	62
2016-17	Tor	21
2017-18	Wellington	45
2018-19	Burnham-on-Sea	38
2021-22	Burnham-on-Sea	27
2022-23	Hornets	23

St Bernadettes	12
Wellington	26
Wells	56
Burnham on Sea	15
Wells	6
Stothert & Pitt	0
Gordano	31
Gordano	8
Bristol Harlequins	24
Bristol Harlequins	22
Tor	17
Yeovil	19
Winscombe	17
Yatton	13
Yeovil	12
Castle Cary	21



### THE SOMERSET RFU JUNIOR CUP & VASE COMPETITION - REGULATIONS 2022-2023 SEASON

### DEFINITIONS

Committee means the County Union's Competitions Sub-Committee

**Competitions Organiser** means the person to whom the Committee delegate the administration of a Competition

County Union means the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Limited

Home Clubs defined by Regulation 4.2 & 4.3

RFU means the Rugby Football Union

Society means the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Referee's Society Limited.

Weather Conditions shall be deemed to include but not be limited to bad or inadequate light as decided by the match Referee.

**World Rugby** means the world governing body of the game of which at the date of the adoption of these Rules is the International Rugby Board of which the Union is a member.

**World Rugby Regulations** means the Resolutions and Regulations relating to the game promulgated by World Rugby from time to time.

### DESCRIPTION AND FORM

- 1.1 The Competition shall be called the Somerset RFU Junior Cup Competitions and will be open to Youth teams from each club in membership of the Somerset RFU plus any teams from other Counties at the discretion of the Organising Committee.
- 1.2 All matches shall be played under the World Rugby Laws and Regulations (including any variations, trials and other formats that may be adopted by the RFU), World Rugby Regulations and RFU Rules and Regulations, specifically Regulation 15, in so far as the same are not varied by or inconsistent with these Regulations. Where there is any such variation or inconsistency then these Regulations shall prevail.
- 1.3 All matches in each Competition shall be played on Sundays determined by the Committee, unless either team is a participant in the Somerset U18 league.
- 1.4 If either team is a participant in the Somerset U18 league then regardless of being either the home team or the away team, they will decide on which day of the week the match is played (apart from the final which will be a Sunday).



- 1.5 Clubs may mutually agree to play a match (other than the final) prior to any fixed date and on any other day of the week if it conforms with the RFU Age Grade Calendar and is confirmed as acceptable by the Competitions Administrator.
- 1.6 Any club refusing to play a match on the date determined by the Committee shall not be eligible to enter a Competition or to continue participation.
- 1.7 The draw will be made by the Committee and for the first-round matches shall be played on the ground of the club drawn first.
- 1.8 In each subsequent round (except for the final) the home team will be the team that had the greatest points difference from the previous round.
  - 1.8.1 The points difference cannot exceed 50 points.
  - 1.8.2 If the points difference is equal the home team for the subsequent round will be drawn by the committee.
  - 1.8.3 If a team progresses for any reason other than winning the previous round, then the home team for the subsequent round will be drawn by the committee.
- 1.9 The final shall be played on neutral grounds to be determined by the Committee.
- 1.10 A Home Club is responsible for the correct and clear marking of its pitch and must make proper provision to ensure (that except for touch judges, fourth official, Affiliated Medical Practitioner or other suitably medically qualified person and one water carrier from each team) all spectators, coaches, replacements and others are kept at a proper distance from the field of play.
- 1.11 The club must ensure full compliance with RFU Regulation 9 Player Safety.
   In particular each club entered must have completed the following:

### \* Howden online risk assessment https://www.howdengroup.com/uk-en/england-rugby-insurance/risk-assessment-tool

\* Risk Assessment and GMS Player Welfare page completion report on GMS The required medical provision for each match must be at least 1 x Emergency First Aider per team.

Further details can be found on the England Rugby website at www.englandrugby.com under the Participation heading - Player Welfare - Rugby Safe links. www.keepyourbootson.co.uk has more in-depth detail if required.



### ORGANISING COMMITTEE

- 2.1 The Competitions shall be organised and managed by the Competitions Administrator whose decisions, subject to a right of appeal to the Committee set out in Regulation 9 will be binding and final on any matter but specifically:
  - a) The interpretations of these Regulations.
  - b) Any dispute between competing Clubs.
  - c) Any matter not provided for in these Regulations.
- 2.2 The Committee shall have the power to delegate any of its duties, powers, or obligations under these Regulations to a Competition Administrator.
- 2.3 Decisions of the Committee or the Competitions Administrator shall be final and binding.

### ELIGIBILITY OF CLUBS & PLAYERS:

- 3.1 All clubs in membership of the Constituent Body shall be eligible to enter a team in any Competition but must signify to the Competition Administrator their wish to do so no later than "The date specified on the entry form". The Club or amalgamated clubs should signify their team's name at registration, and this will remain for the season.
- 3.2 The Committee shall have the power to exclude any team from any Competition at any time.
- 3.3 Players shall be eligible to play in any Competition if they are under the relevant age at midnight on 31st August. Any dispensation given by Somerset RFU for Playing out of Age Grade must also be declared to the Committee. For anyone who is playing out of Age to be eligible for this competition they must have dispensation from Somerset RFU before the match.
- 3.4 Players must be properly affiliated to their Club on the RFU Game Management System (GMS)
- 3.5 Only players fully affiliated with the RFU Game Management System (GMS) prior to the closing date for entry in the year of the competition will be eligible, any team fielding a player with a GMS effective date after this date will be removed from the competition.
- 3.6 No later than 48 hours prior to the match being played each team shall issue a team sheet to the competition administrator for validation. The competition administrator shall issue a validated result sheet to both teams as soon as is practicable to the relevant teams. Once issued no changes can be made.



3.7 Prior to any match the result sheet supplied by the competitions administrator shall be mutually validated by the coach(es)/team manager(s) of each team against the teams RFU photo registration cards or RFU photo registration lists. Any picture must be no more than 1 season old and unjustifiable failure to produce such cards or list for inspection will lead to expulsion from the Competition.

Note: the home club should, when confirming kick-off times and other arrangements, remind the away team of the need to produce their players' registration lists on the day of the match.

- 3.8 Clubs shall not be represented by a player who has played for another club in this Competition.
- 3.9 The maximum match day squad size is twenty-three players.
- 3.10 For all contested Scrums only suitably trained and experienced front row Players can be used.
- 3.11 If on any occasion a front-row player requires to be replaced and his team cannot (for any reason, including injury, temporary blood injury, temporary exclusion following a yellow card, or permanent exclusion following a red card) provide a replacement, or another suitably trained and experienced player from the nominated squad, to enable the match to continue safely with contested scrums, the Referee, having made enquiry of and having confirmed this fact with the manager of the team (or such other person nominated by the Entrant as the person responsible for the team), the match will continue with uncontested scrums. The team concerned shall not be entitled to replace the player whose departure caused the uncontested scrums and the final result will stand. On return to the field of play of the front-row player who had been temporarily excluded or injured, the Match shall continue with contested scrums

### MATCH OFFICIALS:

- 4.1 The home team is responsible for obtaining a society referee, should a suitable neutral referee not be available, then the home team with the agreement of the opposition may use a suitable alternative (who shall hold an RFU refereeing qualification). Each team will supply one touch judge.
- 4.2 The Committee shall appoint a referee plus two touch judges for the finals.



### **DETERMINATION OF MATCH RESULTS:**

- 5.1 For matches other than the final, the tiebreakers in the instance of a draw will be: number of tries, number of conversions, first try scored and then first points scored. If the match finishes 0-0 then a coin toss will take place to determine who progresses to the next round.
- 5.2 Should a fifty-point differential occur at any time during a match, then the score must be recorded as the result and the referee may end the match.
- 5.3 If the scores in a final are level at the end of normal playing time and 5.1 above fails to produce a result then the Competition trophy shall be shared. Which club shall hold the trophy for the first six months and which the second six months shall be decided by the toss of a coin. The winner of the "coin toss" shall have the option to decide for which six-month period the trophy will be held.

### NOTIFICATION OF MATCH RESULTS:

6.1 An electronic copy (email, photo, etc) of the validated result sheet, signed by both teams and the match official must be sent to the Competitions Administrator within 48 hours of the end of the match.

### CLASH OF COLOURS:

- 7.1 In the event of clubs having similar or clashing colours the home club shall be responsible for changing its colours subject to the satisfaction of the match referee.
- 7.2 The shirts of teams shall be numbered in accordance with World Rugby requirements to ensure the correct identification of all players and replacements during a match.

### KICK-OFFS AND DELAYED ARRIVALS:

8.1 Matches (except the finals) shall start at a time notified by the home club to their opponents (not less than 3 days prior to the date prescribed for the playing of the match) but it shall not be later than 2.30 pm unless the opponents agree otherwise. A kick-off time may be determined by the Committee if, upon appeal by an opponent club, the Committee deem the time specified by the home club to be unreasonable. Any delay in kicking-off from the agreed or pre-determined time may be reported by the non-offending club and the Committee may impose any sanction it sees fit, which may, for the avoidance of doubt, mean the expulsion from the Competition of the offending club.

#### DISPUTES:

9.1 Any matter in dispute between participating clubs shall be notified to the Competitions Administrator as soon as it becomes apparent or, if occurring during a match, within 24 hours of the end thereof.



Written confirmation of the details of the complaint or dispute must reach the Competitions Administrator 48 hours after the initial notification and shall set out fully the nature and cause of the complaint. The complaint should include the following areas in addition to any cause for citing a player during any passage of play not dealt with by the referee at the time which will be referred to the CB Disciplinary Committee Secretary.

- i) Breach of any requirement to comply with Regulation 9 Player Safety and First Aid Cover.
- ii) Lack of an up-to-date Risk Assessment for the match arrangements.
- iii) Any Safeguarding issue and whether an appropriate Safeguarding Officer was present.
- iv) Whether alcohol misuse was observed by any under-age individuals.

With the exception of any Safeguarding issues which should be passed directly to the Playing Out Of Age Grade Committee (POOAG) the Committee shall have absolute discretion (and using such procedure as in its absolute discretion it deems appropriate) to resolve any such complaint as it shall think fit and may decide to accept a complaint validly made if it con siders doing so to be in the interests of the Competitions generally or the game of Rugby Football. Subject only to the provisions of Regulation 9.2 the decision of the Committee shall be binding and final.

- 9.2 Where any party having an interest in the matter is aggrieved by any decision of the Committee taken pursuant to Regulation 9.1 above or otherwise in relation to the Competitions it shall have the right to appeal that decision to the Management Committee of the Constituent Body by so notifying the competition administrator in writing (within 48 hours of the decision of the Committee being announced) giving full details of the grounds of such appeal and supplying all evidence upon which it wishes to rely. In submitting its application, the complainant Club must lodge a fee of £100, with the exception of any Safeguarding issues, which payment will be refunded in full if the appeal is upheld.
- 9.3 The Management Committee in dealing with any appeal may use such procedures as in its absolute discretion it may decide.



### POSTPONED AND ABANDONED MATCHES:

- 10.1 If weather conditions (which includes bad light) prevent a match from being played or a match is abandoned because of such conditions with less than two thirds of the proper playing time having been played it shall be played or re-played before the date of the next round on a day and at a time agreed between the clubs or failing agreement as determined by the Committee. If there is no agreement within 48 hours of the match which was not played or was abandoned or if the date and time agreed is not accept able to the Committee, then the date and time of kick-off shall be determined by the Committee.
- 10.2 If ground or weather conditions prevent a match being played at the grounds of either Club, (or neutral venue) then the Committee will select the team to progress at random. In the event of this occurring the home or away team in the subsequent round will also be selected at random.
- 10.3 If a match is abandoned for any reason other than weather conditions then, irrespective of the number of minutes played the result of that match shall be determined by the Committee who may order the match to be replayed in which case the match will take place at a venue and a time determined by it.

### **REMINDERS:**

11.1 Coaches and officials must comply to the RFU and SRFU Safeguarding Policies. Furthermore, any player regardless of their age at the time of the match must not consume alcohol and if this is found to have occurred then the team may forfeit their place in the competition.





# THE SOMERSET RFU U185 LEAGUE REGULATIONS - 2022-2023 SEASON

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

Committee means the County Union's Competitions Sub-Committee

**Competitions Organiser** means the person to whom the Committee delegate the administration of a Competition

County Union means the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Limited

Home Clubs means the first named club to be drawn in respect of a fixture or as otherwise determined by the Committee

RFU means the Rugby Football Union

Society means the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Referee's Society Limited.

World Rugby means the world governing body of the game, which at the date of the adoption of these Rules the Union is a member

World Rugby Regulations means the Resolutions and Regulations relating to the game promulgated by World Rugby from time to time

#### 1 DESCRIPTION

1.1 The Competition shall be called the Somerset Under 18s League (League) and will be open to Youth Teams from each club in membership of the Somerset RFU plus any teams from other Counties at the discretion of the Organising Committee. All matches in the Competition shall be played under the of Laws of the Game of Rugby Union in effect and as published by World Rugby from time to time with the Under-19 Variations as applicable to the age group in question and these regulations set out below (Regulation(s) with which every Club when entering a team in the Competition agrees to comply).

#### 2 ORGANISING COMMITTEE

- 2.1 The Competition will be organised and managed by the Competitions Administrator whose decisions, subject to a right of appeal to the Committee set out in Regulation 12 will be binding and final on any matter but specifically:
  - a) the interpretation of these Regulations.
  - b) any dispute between competing Clubs and
  - c) any matter not provided for in these Regulations.



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2.2 The Competitions Administrator appointed by the Committee is to manage plan and organise the structure of the League fixtures, administer and compile results and provide a focal contact point for all issues and inquiries. All contact information can be found: Committee (somersetrfu.co.uk)

#### **3 FIXTURES**

- 3.1 Each club must confirm its participation in the League for the following season to the Competitions Administrator by 31st July of the same year. Any application for participation after this date will be at the absolute discretion of the Committee.
- 3.2 The Competitions Administrator will notify the clubs entering the League match dates (fixture dates) for the season within two weeks of the closing date for participation. Fixture dates will be determined by the Committee according to the RFU Structured Season and having regard to such other matters as the Committee may in its absolute discretion decide.
- 3.3 Each club will play each other club in the Competition twice unless there is the need for a play-off. All teams will be placed into leagues by the Committee having regard to such other factors as the Committee may in its absolute discretion consider appropriate.
- 3.4 When more than one league is organised for a season then a play-off competition will be organised to determine the overall league winner.
- 3.5 The RFU's U18 variations to the Laws of the Game will apply to the playing of all fixtures save where these Regulations differ in which case these Regulations will apply.
- 3.6 A team must always comprise at least 10 players, for any fixture the two teams by mutual agreement lend / borrow players from the other team to ensure a fair and equivalent match.
- 3.7 For each fixture in the league one club will be designated by the Committee as the home club and one as the away club. The home club is responsible for making all match-day arrangements including the provision of the referee and a suitable safe playing field set out according to Law 1 of the World Rugby Laws of the Game. Each team should ensure it has its own suitable First Aider in line with RFU Regulation 9. With the agreement of the away club the home club may cede home status to the away club or play at a neutral venue. If the match is played at a neutral venue the designated home club is responsible for all the match-day arrangements. If the designated home club cedes home status to the away club that club becomes responsible for and agrees to undertake all the match-day arrangements.



- 3.8 All fixtures issued by the Competitions Administrator are to be played on the Sunday, however this can be changed if it is agreed with both the home and away teams. If the match date is changed from the original fixture date it is the responsibility of the home team to advise the Competitions Administrator of the revised date. The only date that cannot be changed is the play-off final.
- 3.9 Kick-off times will be by mutual agreement between the home and away teams. The Competitions Administrator will set the Kick-off time for the play-off final.
- 3.10 Where a change in fixture date is determined in accordance with Regulation 4.1 agreement from the other club cannot be withheld.
- 3.11 Without exception all League fixtures must be completed by the last date of the season in question as defined by the RFU. Any fixtures outstanding at this date will be void.
- 3.12 Where a team withdraws from the League part way through a season, all of its match results will be declared void and expunged from the League.

#### 4 UN-PLAYED, POSTPONED OR ABANDONED MATCHES

- 4.1 If weather conditions or the state of the pitch prevent a match being played or a match is abandoned because of such conditions with more than 10 minutes playing time remaining, the match shall be played or replayed on the next available date.
- 4.2 The decision on weather conditions and/or pitch conditions making a match unplayable can only be made or confirmed in his absolute discretion on the day of the match by the match referee having consulted with both teams where practical and the respective groundsman where appropriate.
- 4.3 In the event of a League match not being played for any reason other than under 4.1 above or a circumstance agreed by the Committee, the club not in default will be awarded 4 League points and 1 Bonus point and the score deemed to be 28-0; 4 tries to nil.
- 4.4 If a club is unable to play a League match, it must notify its opponents and the appointed referee with a copy to the Competitions Administrator as soon as the facts are known and, in any event, no later than 48 hours preceding the match. If the fixture cannot be rescheduled by mutual agreement, then the club not in default will be awarded 4 League points and 1 Bonus point and the score deemed to be 28-0; 4 tries to nil.
- 4.5 If a match is rescheduled the home team must inform the Competitions Administrator as soon as practicable.



4.6 All games must be completed before the commencement of the Playoffs.

### 5 CLUB POSITIONS

5.1 The position of a club in the appropriate League of the Competition will be established according to the number of League points the club has been awarded. Clubs will be placed in ascending order with the highest number of League points at the top. League points will be awarded as follows:

4 League points for a win.

2 League points for a draw.

1 bonus League point for a loss by 7 match points or less; and

1 bonus League point for scoring 4 or more tries in the fixture.

- 5.2 If a match between sides reaches a point that the difference in score between the two sides exceeds 50 points then the match is considered finished and the score and try count is recorded as the result. If both teams wish to continue, they can but any further score is excluded from the league result.
- 5.3 In the case of equal number of League points accumulated, positions between clubs will be determined according to which has the highest match points difference. Match points difference is the difference between cumulative match points for and cumulative match points against.
- 5.4 If a tie remains after applying 5.3 then the club with the highest total match points scored will be placed highest in the League.
- 5.5 If a tie remains after applying 5.4 then the club with the highest tries scored will be placed highest in the League.

#### 6 NOTIFICATION OF MATCH RESULT

- 6.1 Each club should ensure all League results (score and number of tries scored) are sent to the Competitions Administrator within 24 hours game.
- 6.2 Failure to notify results may render the result void If the Competitions Administrator so decides.
- 6.3 The Competitions Administrator is responsible for the collation of all results and publication of the League tables and will publish the results within a maximum of 5 working days of receiving ALL results. Latest results and tables will be published on the Somerset RFU website.

#### 7 PLAYERS

- 7.1 A club may only play or select as a replacement or substitute players who are registered
- 42 with their Club under the RFU Youth Registration Regulations and who:



- i) are bona fide playing members of the club.
- are of the correct age at one minute to midnight on 31st August of the season in question as follows namely that they have attained 16th birthday but have not attained 18th birthday.
- RFU regulation 15.3 (Playing Up) and 15.4 (Playing Down) are applicable as long as all relevant players are registered and approved by the Somerset Playing Out Of Age Grade Committee (POOAG).
- iv) have not played in any Somerset League fixture for any other RFU registered club in the Somerset League in the season in question unless sanctioned by the Committee at least 14 days before playing in any match.
- 7.3 A club will be deducted up to 5 League points by the Organising Committee on each occasion that it has been represented by an ineligible player or an ineligible player acts as a replacement or substitute.
- 7.4 Where a team has fewer than 15 players but at least 11 players then the match can proceed. Where a team is one player short the opposition team may play with a full team of 15 players. The match may also proceed and be played with the opposition reducing its team to one player more than the team that has 13 players or 12 players. The No.8 or both flankers will be missing respectively where the match is played 1 or 2 players short.

#### 8 REPLACEMENTS AND SUBSTITUTES

- 8.1 In all matches in the League replacements and rolling substitutes are permitted in accordance with the RFU regulations relating to their use. A player who has been substituted may replace any player, whether or not that player has been injured. Players may be exchanged at any time during the match, when the ball is dead and with the knowledge of the referee.
- 8.2 The half game rule applies.

#### 9 DURATION OF MATCHES

- 9.1 In accordance with RFU regulations the duration of each match will be 35 minutes each half.
- 9.2 Stoppage time will be played at the end of each half as determined by the referee.



#### 10 REFEREES

- 10.1 The home club will be responsible for arranging the match referee who should preferably be a County Society referee. For all matches the referee should be at least RFU ELRA Level 2 qualified and should not be a coach of the age group at the club nor be conflicted through any other relationship with the team (e.g. father of a player).
- 10.2 Both clubs in a fixture will provide one touch judge each who will act under the referee's direction.
- 10.3 Where the only referee(s) available are linked to one or both age group teams then the match can still proceed with such a referee if both teams are in agreement. If there is a choice of referees in such situations, then the away team will make the selection.
- 10.4 If a player is yellow carded by the match referee, he will spend 7 minutes of actual playing time off the pitch without replacement and remain adjacent to and under the control of his coach.
- 10.5 If a player is red carded, he will immediately leave the pitch and proceed to the clubhouse. The player will then be banned from playing again until his case has been properly dealt with in accordance with Regulation 19 of the RFU regulations.

#### 11 BEHAVIOUR OF NON PLAYERS

11.1 Each club in the Competition will be responsible for ensuring that all non-players at matches in the Competition respect the decisions of the referee, will not abuse any player or referee and will behave in accordance with core values of the RFU namely Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline and Sportsmanship Notwithstanding any action taken under RFU Regulation 19 or any action taken by a Club the Organising Committee may take such action against any Club or individual as it deems appropriate in relation to any complaint or report of behaviour in breach of this Regulation or one or more of the core Values referred to above. Such action may include but not be limited to referring the matter to a Club to be dealt with (with or without recommendations or directions), deducting League points or referring the matter to the County Disciplinary Committee.

#### 12 DISPUTES

12.1 Any matter in dispute between participating clubs shall be notified to the Competitions Administrator as soon as it becomes apparent or, if occurring during a match, within 24 hours of the end thereof. Written confirmation of the details of the complaint or dispute must reach the Competitions Administrator within 48 hours after the initial notification and shall set out fully the nature and cause of the complaint.



The Complaint should include the following areas in addition to any cause for citing a player during any passage of play not dealt with by the referee at the time which will be referred to the CB Disciplinary Committee Secretary.

- i) Breach of requirement to comply with RFU Regulation 9 Player Safety and First Aid Cover.
- ii Lack of an up-to-date Risk Assessment for the match arrangements.
- iii) Any Safeguarding issue and whether an appropriate Safeguarding Officer was present.
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With the exception of any Safeguarding issues which should be passed directly to the POOAG committee, the Committee shall have absolute discretion (and using such procedure as it in its absolute discretion it deems appropriate) to resolve any such complaint as it shall think fit and may decline to accept a complaint validly made if it considers doing so to be in the interests of the Competitions generally or the game of Rugby Football. Subject only to the provisions of Regulation 12.2, the decision of the Committee shall be final and binding on all parties.

- 12.2 Where any party having an interest in the matter is aggrieved by any decision of the Committee taken pursuant to Regulation 12.1 above or otherwise in relation to the Competitions, it shall have the right to appeal that decision to the Management Committee of the County Union by so notifying the Secretary of the County Union in writing (within 48 hours of the decision of the Committee being announced) giving full details of the grounds of such appeal and supplying all evidence upon which it wishes to rely. In submitting its application, the complainant Club must lodge a fee of £100, with the exception of any Safeguarding issues; which payment will be refunded in full if the appeal is upheld.
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#### SOUTH WEST LEAGUES 2023 - 2024 SEASON

Clubs playing in the South West Leagues of the English Clubs Championship are subject to the Laws of the Game and the Regulations laid down for the competition. In addition, Clubs are bound by the South West Administration Instructions, which lay down procedures relating to the method of submitting registrations, reporting results/postponements, sending in result cards and the appeal procedure. Full details of the RFU regulations are available at: **englandrugby.com** Clubs playing in the "deregulated leagues" have opted out of certain regulations and the modifications are shown below.

# Modifications to the English Clubs Championships (ECC) Regulations relating to the playing of league rugby at Level 8 and below in the Tribute Somerset Counties 1, Counties 2 (N & S) and Counties 3 (N & S).

The regulations relating to the playing of league rugby in Somerset will be modified in so far as matches played at Level 8 (Counties 2) and below (together "the Modified Leagues") are concerned. The modified leagues are subject to all ECC Regulations in so far as these are not varied by or inconsistent with these Regulations. The modifications are:

- Second, third and lower teams of a Club may play in the modified leagues with the approval of and at the level agreed by the South West Regional Organising Committee (SWROC), who shall consider the advice of the Somerset County RFU Limited (SCRFU).
- A second, third or lower team may not be promoted above Level 7. In the event
  of such a team winning the Level 7 league or getting into a Play Off position, then the
  next highest placed eligible side in that league shall, subject to the agreement of
  SWROC in agreement with SCRFU, take its place.



- 3. At Levels 8 & 9 (Counties 2 & 3), all players must be registered with their club in accordance with the Player Registration Regulations, with the exception at Level 9 (Counties 3) TWO unregistered players may play under RFU Regulation 14.2.2 before having to be registered. At Level 9 (Counties 3) they may only play for one week but must be registered before they play again the next week or any subsequent week.
- 4. At Level 10 (Counties 4), teams may contain players who are not registered with that club. They should however be made up of bona fide club members; although if this is not possible then players may be borrowed from other clubs to make up the numbers and encourage participation in the game. However, such teams may not knowingly play players holding Effective Registration with another club at Level 8 (Counties 2) or above.
- Notwithstanding point 4 above, clubs at all levels are encouraged to continue to register their players.
- 6. If a team at level 10 (Counties 4) and below justifiably cannot field a front row, then the match will proceed with uncontested scrums. No league points will be deducted providing the fixture is honoured. The result at the final whistle will stand.
- 7. Two teams from the same club may not play in the same league. Subject to this, and point 13, normal promotion and relegation rules will apply except that a team may decline promotion with the approval of SWROC; who in reaching their decision shall consider advice from SCRFU. Should a team decline promotion, then point 12 will apply. For the avoidance of doubt, the next highest placed side in that league has no automatic right to promotion in such circumstance.
- 8. Where the first or higher team of a club does not have a match (but does have a lower team league fixture) on an appointed day, then the club must field a genuine team(s) commensurate with the level of match(es) being played. That will include situations where a club fields a lower team but cancels a higher team's fixture on the same day. Clubs are reminded that such first team (or any other team in the Club) may also suffer penalty for non-compliance. The League Secretary may enquire into such circumstances and impose any sanction in accordance with Game Regulations.
- 9. In the interests of encouraging participation in the game at Level 10 (Counties 4) or below the captains may agree prior to a match to more than three replacements being used by the teams in any match. At Level 10 (Counties 4) teams with surplus players are encouraged to lend the opposition surplus players to make up even numbers per side. However, if agreement cannot be reached between the captains before the match, the number of replacements allowed will revert to RFU Regulation 6 Section 58 (b), which states that there shall not be more than three replacements allowed below Level 5.
- 10. At Level 10 and below, Electronic Match Cards must be completed including the names of participating players. Where a Guest player has played and their details have not been registered on the system, their name, date of birth and any club of which they are a member must be clearly indicated in the "comments box" on the Electronic Match Card (EMC). If the Guest player is unattached to a Club, this must also be stated on the EMC.



- 11. Where a team finishes in a promotion or relegation spot but cannot be promoted or relegated by virtue of these regulations (e.g. because a club team would gain promotion to the same league as another side in their club), then SWROC (having taken advice from the SCRFU) will make appropriate arrangements for promotion or relegation within the leagues affected. In the case of relegation causing two teams from the same club to be in the lowest league, then, if no other suitable arrangement is appropriate, this could include two sides from the same club being in the same league.
- 12. Where anomalies occur within the modified leagues that are not provided for within these regulations or that are contrary to the objectives of providing competitive, structured and enjoyable rugby to relevant teams of Somerset clubs, then SWROC (having taken advice from SCRFU) reserves the power to make appropriate arrangements to fulfil those objectives.
- 13. Providing it is otherwise possible under these regulations and SWROC agrees, then the winners of Counties 3 (North & South) shall be promoted to Counties 2 and the bottom two placed sides in that league relegated. The winners of Counties 4 (North & South) shall be similarly promoted to Counties 3 (North & South) and the bottom side in each of those leagues relegated. There will be no play off matches for the second placed sides in either of these leagues.
- The League Secretaries of Somerset Counties 2, Counties 3 (North & South) and Counties 4 (North & South) shall be appointed from nominees submitted by SCRFU.





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# AFFILIATED CLUBS

#### MEMBER CLUBS BY DIVISIONS

#### Division A (19)

Avon; Avonvale; Bath RFC; Bath Rugby Ltd; Bath Combination; Bath Old Edwardians; Bath old Players; Bath Saracens; Bath Spa University College; Combe Down; Frome; Keynsham; Midsomer Norton; Old Culverhaysians; Oldfield Old Boys; Old Sulians; Stothert & Pitt; University of Bath; Walcot.

#### Division B (9)

Cheddar Valley; Chew Valley; Clevedon; Gordano; Hornets; Nailsea & Backwell; Weston-super-Mare; Winscombe; Yatton.

#### Division C (7)

Bristol Combination; Bristol Harlequins; Bristol Barbarians; Imperial; Old Redcliffians; St. Bernardette's Old Boys; Bristol Telephone Area.

#### Division D (12)

Blake Bears; Bridgwater & Albion; Burnham-on-Sea; Huish Tigers; Minehead Barbarians; Morganians; North Petherton; Old Alruedians; Taunton; Wellington; Wiveliscombe; Wyvern.

#### Division E (13)

Butleigh Amateurs; Castle Cary; Chard; Crewkerne; Evercreech Barbarians; Martock; Milborne Port; North Wootton; Somerton; Tor; Wells; Wincanton; Yeovil.

# CLUB DETAILS: SEASON 2023 - 2024

#### Avon RFC (Founded 1925)

League: 1st Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset. 2nd Team - Local Friendlies





Club Address: Hicks Field, London Road, Bath BA1 7DA

Telephone: 01225 852446

#### Club Website: www.avonrfc.com

Chair: Ian Monachino-Ayers, Green Lane Cottage, Green Lane, Hinton Charterhouse BA2 7TL (M: 07866603978; E: iayres@ima-tp.com)

#### Secretary: Paul Kirby,

10 Badminton Gardens, Bath BA1 2XS (**M:** 07904967704; **E:** paul@kirbyweb.co.uk)

#### Treasurer: Paul Kirby,

10 Badminton Gardens, Bath BAI 2XS (M: 07904967704; E: paul@kirbyweb.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Kane Book (M: 07817220418; E: kcbbath@aol.com) Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Kane Book (M: 07817220418; E: kcbbath@aol.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Chris Mutlow (M: 07737 276261; E: chris\_mutlow@yahoo.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Fixture Secretary: Kane Book (M: 07817220418; E: kcbbath@aol.com)

Referees Contact: Chris Mutlow (M: 07737 276261; E: chris\_mutlow@yahoo.co.uk)

Club Coach: Kai Harwood (M: 07949176612; E: avonkai2.kh@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Kane Book (M: 07817220418; E: kcbbath@aol.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Kane Book (M: 07817220418; E: kcbbath@aol.com)

Directions to ground: From the M4 Junction 18, take the A46 towards Bath. At the junction with the A4, head towards Batheaston. Access to the club is approx 400 meters along the road on the right hand side.

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#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Vets. Boys: U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6



# Avonvale RFC (Founded 1883)

League: 1st Team - Counties 1 Tribute Southern South



Colours: Navy Blue & White Hoops. Alternative: Red

Club Address: Bathford Hill, Bathford BA17SW

Telephone: 01225 858295

#### Club Website: avonvalerfc.co.uk

#### Chair: Martin Bath.

30 Forrester Green, Colerne, Wilts, SN14 8EB (M: 07831 600314; T: 01225 742396; E: martin.bath@dxc.com)

#### Secretary: Kevin Hall,

17 Osprey Close, Bowerhill, Melksham SN12 6XY (M: 07766 504899; E: kevin.hall@alpsalpine.com)

#### Treasurer: Maria Bath

30 Forrester Green, Colerne, Wilts SN14 8EB (M: 07901 571224; E: avonvalerfc@outlook.com)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Stephen Cook

275 London Road East, Batheaston, Bath BAI 7RL (M: 07578 796069; E: steve\_cook\_1@hotmail.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Dan Symonds 1 Bailbrook court, Bailbrook Lane (M: 07764235461; E: dansymonds@hotmail.com)

#### **Fixtures Secretary: Steven Vowles**

72 Locksbrooke Road, Lower Weston, Bath BAI 3ES (T: 01225 333852; E: steve.f.vowles@hsbc.com)

#### Mini & Junior Fixture Secretary: Christopher Hobbs

1 Elm Road, Colerne, Wilts SN14 8OB (M: 07741 147145; T: 01225 744309; E: hob27@aol.com)

#### **Referees Contact: Steven Vowles**

72 Locksbrooke Road, Lower Weston, Bath BAI 3ES (T: 01225 333852; E: steve.f.vowles@hsbc.com)

Club Coach: Dave George 82 Downs View, Bradford-on-Avon BA15 1PW (M: 07825 614137; E: davegeorge1965@gmail.com)

#### Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Graham Chignell MBE

4 The Brownings, Box, Corsham, Wiltshire SN13 8HP (M: 07782 302726; E: graham.chigwell136@mod.gov.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Christopher Hobbs 1 Elm Road, Colerne, Wilts SN14 8QB (M: 0774) 147145; E: hob27@aol.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Mr Josh Meagor 34 Wedgewood Road BA2 1NX (M: 07852179335; E: Joshmeagor7@hotmail.com)

Directions to ground: From Bath follow the A4 to the roundabout with the A363, take road for Bradford on Avon, go under the railway tunnel and bear left up Bathford Hill. The main pitch is on the left opposite the The Crown Inn. The clubhouse is situated further up the hill along a track on the lefthand side just before the 20MPH zone and immediately above a public telephone box.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, Ladies, Bovs: U13, U12, Girls: U12 Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7

# Bath RFC (Founded 1865)

League: 1st Team - (Ladies) Championship 1 South.





Blue, Black & White

Club Address: Lambridge Training Ground, London Rd, Bath BAI 6BD

#### Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/bathrfc

Chair: Mike Evans. (E: mikeevansbrfc@yahoo.com)

Secretary: Fraser Cook, (E: fraserjcook@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Sue Evans, (E: suemevans20@yahoo.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Mark Donovan (E: mcd4467@gmail.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Mark Donovan (E: mcd4467@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: Gareth Adams (E: garetheadams@hotmail.com)

Club Coach: Gareth Adams (E: garetheadams@hotmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: David Catlow (Minis) (E: catlowd@me.com)

Stuart Patton (Juniors) (E: stuart.patton@hotmail.co.uk)

Women & Girls Lead: Sarah Burgess (E: sarah.burgess@eleiko.com)

Directions to ground: Enter Bath from, the A46, along the A4 and Bath RFC is found on your left after c.400m

Teams: Senior: Ladies. Colts: U18, U17. Girls: U14, U16, U18. Boys: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6



# Bath & District Rugby Combination (Founded 1901)

League: 1st Team - Representative Matches

Colours:



Blue Shirts with Red Trim

#### Chair: Ben Hartley,

4 Townsend, Great Cheverell, Wiltshire SN10 5TL (**T:** 01380 813687)

#### Secretary: Steve White,

48 Blackmore Drive, Southdown, Bath, Somerset BA21JN (M: 07740 404372; T: 01225 312393 E: steve.white@boltongateservices.co.uk)

#### Treasurer: Steven Vowles,

72 Locksbrook Road, Lower Weston, Bath BAI 3ES (**T:** 01225 333852; **E:** steve.f.vowles@hsbc.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Stephen Cook 275 London Road East, Batheaston, Bath BAI 7RL (M: 07578 796069; E: steve\_cook\_1@hotmail.co.uk) Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Dan Symonds 1 Bailbrook court, Bailbrook Lane (M: 07764235461; E: dansymonds@hotmail.com)

#### Fixtures Secretary: Steve White,

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#### Referees Contact: Steve White,

48 Blackmore Drive, Southdown, Bath, Somerset BA2 13N (M: 07740 404372; T: 01225 312393; E: steve.white@boltongateservices.co.uk)

#### **Club Coach:** Dan Jeffries

Teams: Senior: 1st XV.

# Bath FC Old Players Association (Founded 1951)

Club Address:

c/o Steve Richards, Old Orchard, Lynbrook Lane, Bath BA2 5NB (**E:** bathrugbyheritage@gmail.com)

# Bath Old Edwardians RFC (Founded 1926)



Colours: Blue Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/batholdedwardians/ information

**Directions to ground:** We play on the King Edwards playing fields in Bathampton on the opposite side of the canal to the George pub.

Club Address: King Edwards School Playing Fields, High Street, Bathampton, Avon BA2 6SY

# Bath Rugby (Founded 1865)

League: 1st Team - Premiership Rugby



Colours: Blue, black, white

Club Address: The Recreation Ground, Spring Gardens, Bath BA24DS Telephone: 01225904128

Email: info@bathrugby.com

Club Website: www.bathrugby.com

**Directions to ground:** The stadium is located on the banks of the River Avon, close to Pultney Bridge.



# Bath Saracens (Founded 1947)

eague: 1st Team - Dorset and Wiltshire 3 Central



Colours: Navy Blue, Cardinal Red. Gold

Club Address: The Sulis Club, Claverton Down, Bath BA2 2FH

Telephone: 07802 797756

#### Club Website: www.bathsaracens.co.uk

Chair: Ed Bell (M: 07752657743; E: eddie bell@hotmail.co.uk)

Secretary: Robbie Lawrence 91 Englishcombe Lane, Bath BA2 2EH (M: 07802 797756; E: robbie.lawrence21@bathsaracens.co.uk)

Treasurer: Mark Boxall. (M: 07909997244; E: markxboxallx@hotmail.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Tracy Fordham (M: 07767043211; E: markrcfordham@outlook.com)

# **Bath Spa University**

Colours: Blue

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Mark Fordham (M: 07909750318; E: markrcfordham@outlook.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Robbie Lawrence 91 Englishcombe Lane, Bath BA2 2EH (M: 07802 797756; E: robbie.lawrence21@bathsaracens.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Robbie Lawrence 91 Englishcombe Lane, Bath BA2 2EH (M: 07802 797756 E: robbie.lawrence21@btinternet.com)

Club Coach: Mark Fordham (M: 07909750318; E: markrcfordham@outlook.com)

Directions to ground: From A36 northbound, Turn left at Monkton Combe viaduct traffic lights. signposted Monkton Combe and Claverton Down. Go up Brassknocker Hill, turn left at roundabout at the top of the hill, Sulis Club is a few hundred yards on the left.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV.

#### Telephone: 01225 875588

Club Website: www.bathspasu.co.uk/opps/clubsandsocs

#### Email:

mensrugby@bathspasu.co.uk womensrugby@bathspasu.co.uk

#### Club Address:

Bath Spa University, Student's Union, Newton Park, Bath BA2 9BN.

# Blake Bears RFC (Founded 1994)

League: 1st Team - Sunday social grass roots rugby.



Colours:

Red and black

Club Address: 25 Northfield, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 THA

#### Telephone: 07854860975

#### Club Website: Facebook Home Group Page: BLAKEBEARS RFC Est 1994 (TOGETHER AS ONE)

#### Chairman: Jason Richards,

1 Feversham Avenue, Bridgwater TA6 3QJ (M: 07738 532447)

#### Secretary: Debbie Baker 25 Northfield, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 7HA

Treasurer: Neil Baker, 25 Northfield, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 7HA (M: 07854 860975; E: Neilbaker1974@gmail.com) Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Ashley Stephens 2 Connemara Street, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 6WZ

(M: 07549 666761) Fixtures Secretary: Neil Baker, 25 Northfield, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 7HA

(M: 07854 860975; E: Neilbaker1974@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: Neil Baker, 25 Northfield, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 7HA (M: 07854 860975; E: Neilbaker1974@gmail.com)

Directions to ground: Our home ground is at North Petherton RFC on the A38 from Bridwater to Taunton off at Junction 24. Postcode TA6 6NW.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV.



# Bridgwater & Albion RFC (Founded 1875)

League: 1st Team - Counties One Western North, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset South,

Womens - NC2 South West (Central)



Colours: Red, Amber & Black

Club Address: College Way, Bath Road, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 4TZ

Telephone: 01278 423900

Club Website: www.barfc.co.uk

Chair: Steve Smith (E: steve@barfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Jamie Driver (E: Jamiej90@hotmail.com)

Treasurer: Alex Dunn (E: dunnja@gmail.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Ruth Habberfield (E: Safeguarding@barfc.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Jerry Phillips, (E: fixtures@barfc.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Fixture Secretary: Emma Withnell (E: emmas510@gmail.com) Referees Contact: Geoff Sluman,

(M: 07841 493192; E: geoff.sluman@royalmail.com)

Club Coach: Carl Rimmer, (M: 07841 493192; E: geoff.sluman@royalmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Ian Stone (E: IMSbarfcyouth19@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Joe Stradling

#### Women & Girls Lead: Sophia Phillips

Directions to ground: College Way is off the A39 Bath Road adjacent to Bridgwater and Taunton College and the McMillan Theatre. Teams:

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Colts: U17. Girls: U18. Boys: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

# Bristol & District Rugby Football Combination (Founded 1921)

#### Club Address:

C/O, 101, Druid Stoke Avenue, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS9 1DE

#### Telephone: 01179-629047 / 07531-137225

#### Email: info@bathrugby.com

Club Website:

#### www.bristolcombination.pitchero.com

#### Chair: Adrian Siddorn,

41 Culverwell Road, Bristol BS13 9HN (M: 07879-825630; E: asiddorn@msn.com)

#### Secretary: AE (Tony) Swash,

101, Druid Stoke Avenue, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS9 1DE (M: 07534-137225; H: 01179-629047; E: tonyswash@hotmail.com)

Treasurer: Terry Tovey, (M: 07976-678202; E: terry@rockleazehouse.co.uk)

Directions to ground: Monthly member club meetings held at Lockleaze Sports Centre, Off Bonnington Walk, Lockleaze, Bristol BS7 9XF on second Tuesday of each calendar month during formal rugby season, 7:30p.m. start.



# Bristol Barbarians RFC (Founded 1998)

League: 1st Team - Counties Tribute 4 Gloucestershire South



Black & White Hoops

Club Address: Norton Lane, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0BT

Telephone: 07876735153

#### Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/bristolbarbarians

#### Chair: Tony Hand,

C/o Raw Space, 111 Gloucester Road, Bristol BS7 8AT (M: 07757301897; E: ajhand@blueyonder.co.uk)

#### Secretary: Brendan Murphy

C/o Raw Space, 111 Gloucester Road, Bristol BS7 8AT (M: 07876735153; E: brendan120@hotmail.com)

#### Treasurer: Jon Bane,

C/o Raw Space, 111 Gloucester Road, Bristol BS7 8AT (M: 07815794701; E: m.bane@sky.com)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Brendan Murphy

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#### **Fixtures Secretary: Lee Gitsham**

C/o Raw Space, 111 Gloucester Road, Bristol BS7 8AT (M: 07515633433; E: leegitsham@me.com)

Referees Contact: Lee Gitsham C/o Raw Space, 111 Gloucester Road, Bristol BS7 8AT (M: 07515633433; E: leegitsham@me.com)

Club Coach: Adam Brittain C/o Raw Space, 111 Gloucester Road, Bristol BS7 8AT (M: 07772589220: E: adamtb2001uk@vahoo.co.uk)

Directions to ground: From Bristol: go through Whitchurch village, over hump-backed bridge and it's the first right onto Norton Iane and then first right down the Iane after 20 yards.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV.

# Bristol Harlequins RFC (Founded 1926)

League: 1st Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset North



Colours: Blue, Black & White

Club Address: Valhalla, Broomhill Road, Brislington, Bristol BS4 5RG

#### Telephone: 0117 972 1650

#### Club Website: bristolharlequinsrfc.rfu.club

Chair: Kevin Morgan, 2 Regency Drive, Broomhill, Bristol BS4 4UA (M: 07595 346282

E: chairman@bristolharlequins.com)

#### Secretary: Dean Jones

13 Rowacres, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0AP (M: 07503 778163 E: secretary@bristolharleguins.com)

#### Treasurer: Kelvin Hawkes, 12 Binley Grove, Stockwood, Bristol BS14 8HR

(M: 07795 575685; E: treasurer@bristolharleguins.com)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Louise Braithwaite

c/o Bristol Harlequins RFC, Valhalla, Broomhill Road, Bristol BS4 5RG (**M:** 07983 557398; **E:** Lbraithwaite38@gmail.com)

#### Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Kevin Morgan

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#### Fixtures Secretary: Shaun Young,

c/o Bristol Harlequins RFC, Valhalla, Broomhill Road, Bristol BS4 5RG (**M:** 07511 029131 **E:** Shaunyoung1985@gmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Mark Ralph, 52 West Park Road, Bristol BS16 5SJ (M: 07828 333184 E: info@bristolharleguins.com)

Referees Contact: Shaun Young, c/o Bristol Harlequins RFC, Valhalla, Broomhill Road, Bristol BS4 SRG (M: 07511 029131 E: Shaunyoung1985@gmail.com)

Club Coach: Iain Grieve, 20 Severn Road, Bristol BS10 7RZ (M: 07810 203775 E: Iain\_grieve@hotmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Kelly Britt, c/o Bristol Harlequins RFC, Valhalla, Broomhill Road, Bristol BS4 SRC [E: Kelhodge03@hotmail.com]

Mini & Junior Secretary: Louise Braithwaite, c/o Bristol Harlequins RFC, Valhalla, Broomhill Road, Bristol BS4 5RC

(M: 07983 557398 E: Ibraithwaite38@gmail.com)

Directions to ground: From the A4 Bath Road turn onto Emery Road then take the 3rd exit off the mini roundabout onto Broomhill Road. Take the 2nd right and then turn immediately right into Valhalla.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Colts: U19, U18, U17. Boys: U15, U13, U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# Bristol Telephone Area RFC (Founded 1961)

League: 1st Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset North.



Colours: Royal Blue, White and Red

Club Address: BTRA Sports Ground Stockwood BS14 8SJ

Telephone: 01275 891776

Club Website: www.bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk

Chair: Nathan Rogers (M: 07969 902221; E: chairman@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Martin Hunt 19 Pynne Close Stockwood BS14 8QW (M: 07860 199167; H: 01275 837046;

E: secretary@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Adrian Beech (M: 07813163907; E: treasurer@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Joan Sanigar (M: 07495 244363; E: safeguarding@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk) Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Joan Sanigar (M: 07495 244363; E: safeguarding@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Adam Breakey, (M: 07720377053; E: fixturesecretary@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Adam Breakey, (M: 07720377053; E: fixturesecretary@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Club Coach: Andy Weymouth, (E: doc@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Directions to ground: Take the A37 (Wells Road) from the City Centre for approximately 4 miles. Turn left at the Maes Knoll Pub in Whitchurch Village, the ground is approximately a mile on the right at the junction of Stockwood Lane and Stockwood Road next to the entrance to the Stockwood Community Centre and the BSI4 Club.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV.

# Burnham-on-Sea RFC (Founded 1947)

League: 1st Team - Regional 2 Tribute South West, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset South.



Colours: Blue & White

#### Club Address:

BASC Ground, Stoddens Road, Burnham On Sea, Somerset TA8 2BS

#### Club Website: www.burnhamonsearfc.org

#### Chair: Lee Berry,

Coronation Cottage, Coast Road, Berrow, Somerset. TA8 2QY (**M:** 07989 320830; **E:** Lee-berry@sky.com)

#### Secretary: Stephen Hall,

30 Bathurst Close, Burnham-on-Sea TA8 2SZ (**M:** 07851 689074; **E:** Steve1973.sh.sh@gmail.com)

#### Treasurer: Donald Bowerman

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Tim James

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Emma O'Regan (M: 07812 355373; E: emmarichards81@yahoo.co.uk) Fixture Secretary: Christopher Jones 21 Links Close, Burnham-on-Sea TA8 2JD

(M: 07817 528996; E: chris\_m\_jones\_@hotmail.com)

#### Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Jessica Kelly

Referee Contact: Christopher Jones 21 Links Close, Burnham-on-Sea TA8 2JD (M: 07817 528996; E: chris\_m\_jones\_@hotmail.com)

#### Club Coach: Kevin Innals

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Emma O'Regan (M: 07812355373; E: emmarichards81@yahoo.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Stephen Hall, 30 Bathurst Close, Burnham-on-Sea TA8 2SZ (M: 07851 689074; E: Steve1973.sh.sh@gmail.com)

Directions to ground: Exit Junction 22 of the M5, head towards Burnham On Sea along Queens Drive. Turn Right at the first roundabout on to Love Lane. BASC Ground is located on the Right Hand Side after the Sharp Left Hand Bend.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8.



# Butleigh Amateur RFC (Founded 1976)

Club Address: Rose & Portcullis, Butleigh

# Castle Cary RFC (Founded 1888)

League: 1st Team - Counties 3 Tribute 4 Somerset South.





#### Club Address: Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary,

Somerset BA7 7PF

#### Club Website: www.castlecaryrfc.rfu.club

#### Chair: Mrs Karen Travers

C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (**M:** 07799 506898; **E:** castlecaryrugbyfc@gmail.com)

#### Secretary: Mrs Becky Nurse

C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (**E:** castlecaryrfc1888@gmail.com)

#### Treasurer: Mark Chivers / Kenny Loakman

C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (**E:** castlecaryrfc1888@gmail.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Mrs Karen Travers C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (M: 07799 506898; E: castlecaryrugbyfc@gmail.com)

#### Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Mrs Karen Travers

C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (**M:** 07799 506898; **E:** castlecaryrugbyfc@gmail.com)

#### Fixture Secretary: Chris Chivers

C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (**M:** 07817 931275; **E:** cjchivers1@gmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Mrs Karen Travers

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#### Referee Contact: Chris Chivers

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#### Club Coach: Emily Kingston

C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (**E:** castlecaryrfc1888@gmail.com)

#### Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Jack Barnett

C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (**E:** castlecaryrfc1888@gmail.com)

#### Mini & Junior Secretary: Mrs Karen Travers

C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (**M:** 07799 506898; **E:** castlecaryrugbyfc@gmail.com)

#### Women & Girls Lead: Emma Sayer

C/o Castle Cary RFC, Brookhouse Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (**E:** castlecaryrfc1888@gmail.com)

Directions to ground: Located off the A371, behind the Brookhouse Inn, approx 2 miles from CastleCary town centre in the direction of Bath/Bristol.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV. Girls: U16, U14, U12. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



### Chard RFC (Founded 1876)

League: 1st Team - Regional 2 Tribute South West, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset South



Colours: Black and Yellow Hoops with Red trim

Club Address: Essex Close, Chard, Somerset TA20 1RH.

#### Telephone: +44 1460 62495

#### Club Website: www.chardrugby.co.uk

Chair: Billy Ellens Essex Close, Chard, Somerset TA20 1RH (M: 07950422922; E: chair@chardrfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Bernard Critchley Essex Close, Chard, Somerset TA20 1RH (E: critchleytax@aol.com)

Treasurer: Andy Toyne Essex Close, Chard, Somerset TA20 1RH (M: 07768055517; E: accounts@chardrfc.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Steve Gray (M: 07710374329; E: safeguarding@chardrfc.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Jo Naish (M: 07976257896; E: Jo1974@hotmail.co.uk) Fixture Secretary: Mark Wesemann (M: 07714149245; E: Markwesemann1966@gmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Liz George (M: 07764857514; E: mjfixtureschard@outlook.com)

Referee Contact: Mark Wesemann (M: 07714149245; E: Markwesemann1966@gmail.com) Club Coach: Trae Cosling

(M: 07927609242; E: trae@gosling-ig.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Roy Lee (M: 07590579842; E: mjvicechair@chardrfc.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Valerie Conlon (M: 07902415385; E: mjsecretary@chardrfc.co.uk)

Women & Girls Lead: Lucy Gosden (E: lucydown@outlook.com)

Directions to ground: Take the turning essex close next to weatherspoons pub in chard, follow road around to the ground.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Colts: U18, U17. Girls: U16, U14, U12. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

# Cheddar Valley RFC (Founded 1966)

League: 1st Team - Somerset 3.



Colours: Blue and red

Club Address: Sharpham Road Cheddar c/o 10 Dunstan Way Cheddar BS27 3DR

#### Telephone: 07711 492784

#### Club Website: www.cheddar-Rugby.co.uk

Chair: Nev Holmes (E: nev\_holmes@hotmail.com)

Secretary: Simon Charles 10 Dunstan Way Cheddar BS27 3GA (M: 07711492784; E: simoncharles10@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Steve Barlow (E: stevebarlows@yahoo.co.uk) Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Hayley Keates-Porter (E: h.keatesporter@outlook.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Kay Corbett (E: kaycorbo87@gmail.com)

Referee Contact: Kay Corbett (E: kaycorbo87@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Aidan Cottee (E: aidan.cottee@gmail.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Katy Bird (E: kb14480@my.bristol.ac.uk)

Directions to ground: Turn onto Wedmore round, over railway bridge, turn right, follow road to end and turn into car park.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV. Juniors: U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# Chew Valley RFC (Founded 1969)

League: 1st Team - Regional 1 SW, 2nd Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset South, 3rd Team - Counties 4 Somerset North





Club Address: Lobbingtons, Chew Lane, Chew Stoke, Bristol, BS40 8UE

#### Telephone: 01275 333550

#### Club Website: www.chewrugby.com

Chair: Shane Cameron

Sunny Bank, Church Lane, Bishop Sutton, Bristol BS39 4AX (M: 07798 698078; E: shanec@farmington.co.uk)

Secretary: 1. Adrian Miller (1t), 2. Alice Sage (1t) 1. Chandor, Upper Stanton, Stanton Drew, Bristol (M: 07717 31393; M: 07805 752626; H: 01275 332456; E: adrian@milgrange.co.uk; 2. E: alice.sage@chewrugby.com)

#### Treasurer: James Coward

4 Fairview,North Brewham, Bruton, Somerset (M: 07846 378028; E: jamescowardaca@yahoo.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Catherine Derrick (M: 07795 488717; E: Goddess73uk@yahoo.co.uk) Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Jo Nissenbaum (M: 07368 210655; E: nissenj@gmail.com)

Fixture Secretary: Bruce Wellman 16 Summer Leaze, Bishop Sutton, Bristol BS39 5EG (M: 07721 762760; E: Bruce.wellman@heineken.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Katie Fenlon (M: 06816 554464)

Referee Contact: Bruce Wellman 16 Summer Leaze, Bishop Sutton, Bristol BS39 5EG (M: 07721 762760; E: Bruce.wellman@heineken.co.uk)

Club Coach: Bruce Wellman 16 Summer Leaze, Bishop Sutton, Bristol BS39 5EG (M: 07721 762760; E: Bruce.wellman@heineken.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Ben Price (E: Benjprice2000@hotmail.co.uk)

Women & Girls Lead: Fiona Penfold (E: Fiona\_briten@hotmail.com)

Directions to ground: Next to Chew Valley Comprehensive School on road between Chew Stoke and Chew Magna.

#### Teams:

Senior: lst XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Ladies XV. Colts: U19, U18, U17. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

### Clevedon RFC (Founded 1921)

League: 1st Team - Counties 1 Western North, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Somerset North.



Colours: Roval Blue and Gold

Club Address: Coleridge Vale Playing Fields, Southey Rd, Clevedon BS21 6PF

#### Telephone: 01275 877772

#### Club Website: www.clevedonrugbyclub.co.uk

Chair: Neil Tucker

10 Kingston Avenue, Clevedon BS21 6DS (**M:** 07751 916454; **H:** 01275 340696; **E:** neiltucker@sky.com)

Secretary: Tim Shelton

19 Wickfield, Clevedon BS21 5EU (**M:** 07974 093240; **H:** 01275 343934; **E:** Timshelton2729@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Natalie Fear 28 Oakley, Clevedon BS21 7YL

(M: 07971 279583; H: 01275 794690; E: Natalie\_fear@yahoo.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Sophie Bull 19 Sawyers Court, Clevedon BS21 6EF (M: 07482 187354; E: Sophbull18@gmail.com)

Fixture Secretary: John McGuigan 67 Highdale Ave BS21 7LU (M: 07787 920767; H: 01275 878308; E: johnmcguigan@btinternet.com) Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Grant Cherrington 12 Teignmouth Road BS21 6DN (M: 07940379257; E: Grant.cherrington@outlook.com)

Referee Contact: John McGuigan 67 Highdale Ave BS217LU (M: 07787 920767; H: 01275 878308; E: johnrmcguigan@btinternet.com)

Club Coach: Tony Dauncey 49 Esmond Grove BS21 7HP (M: 07903440717; E: Tonyandjessd@hotmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Grant Cherrington 12 Teignmouth Road BS21 6DN (M: 07940379257; E: Grant.cherrington@outlook.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Kath Hartnett-Fletcher C/o Clevedon RFC

(M: 07855 783380; E: kathhartnett@hotmail.co.uk)

Directions to ground: From the motorway turn left onto Central Way, then at roundabout straight on to Southern Way, turn right into Strode Road then right again onto Churchill Avenue, follow onto Southey Road.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Colts: U18, U17. Girls: U16, U14, U12. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# Combe Down RFC (Founded 1896)

League: 1st Team - Counties 1 Tribute Southern South, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Dorset & Wilts Central.



Colours: Black & Amber

Club Address: Holly's Corner, Bramble Way, North Road, Combe Down, Bath, BA2 5DE

#### Telephone: 01225 832075

#### Club Website: www.combedownrfc.rfu.club

Chair: Nick Heal 13 Charles Street, Corsham, Wiltshire SN13 OAN (M: 07870585319; E: aspireprops@gmail.com)

Secretary: Steve White 48 Blackmore Drive, Southdown, Bath,

Somerset BA2 1JN (M: 07740404372; E: steve.white@bgs.uk)

Treasurer: John O'Shea 107 Midford Road, Combe Down, Bath, Somerset BA2 SRX (M: 07968506954; E: ijoshea@hotmail.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Andrew Newman (M: 07884475164; E: andrewandynewman@gmail.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Giles White

#### (M: 07775 686919; E: giles@gileswhite.co.uk)

#### Fixture Secretary: Steve White

48 Blackmore Drive, Southdown, Bath, Somerset BA2 1JN (M: 07740404372; E: steve.white@bgs.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: May Wall (M: 07791 396376)

Referee Contact: Steve White 48 Blackmore Drive, Southdown, Bath, Somerset BA2 13N (M: 07740404372; E: steve.white@bgs.uk)

Club Coach: Elliott Bowler 76 Heath Rise, Bristol BS30 8DD (M: 07715 330748; E: elliotbowler@hotmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Craig Sheppard (M: 07818517296; E: Craig Sheppard78@gmail.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Samantha Prescott The Cross Keys Inn, Combe Down, Bath, Somerset BA2 SRZ (M: 07921767830; E: samantha.prescott]@nhs.net)

Directions to ground: Situated at the junction of North Road A3036 and Combe Down.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Girls: U16.

# Crewkerne RFC (Founded 1975)

League: 1st Team - Counties 3, 2nd Team - Social team, only playing friendlies.



Colours: Black and Red

Club Address: The George Reynolds Centre, Crewkerne, Somerset, TA18 8DA

#### Telephone: 07875125694

#### Club Website: crewkernerfc.rfu.club

Chair: Duncan Singleton Woodram House, Bayhill, Ilminster, TA19OAT (M: 07986687788; E: chairman@crewkernerugby.com)

Secretary: Vicki Stephens 16 Highfield, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 9SR (M: 07875125694; E: secretary@crewkernerugby.com)

#### Treasurer: Beth Thompson

25 Bincombe Drive, Crewkerne TA187BE (M: 07722129456; E: treasurer@crewkernerugby.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Simon Shackleford (M: 07464632081; E: shacks1804@gmail.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Duncan Singleton Woodram House, Bayhill, Ilminster, TA19OAT (M: 07986687788; E: chairman@crewkernerugby.com) Fixture Secretary: Yaz Perry (M: 07968668228; E: Yaz@crewkernerugby.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Kate Goodison (M: 07825553718; E: juniorfixtures@crewkernerugby.com)

Referee Contact: Yaz Perry (M: 07968668228; E: Yaz@crewkernerugby.com)

Club Coach: Liam Bushell (M: 07477961172; E: Liam.bushell91@me.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Paul Goodison (M: 07940580143; E: paul@crewkernerugby.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Alex Rice (M: 07989444224; E: AlexIrice@hotmail.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Vicki Stephens 16 Highfield, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 9SR (M: 07875125694; E: secretary@crewkernerugby.com)

Directions to ground: From the town centre follow directions to Waitrose, we are opposite the Waitrose car park.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV. Colts: U17. Juniors: U14, U12. Mini: U10, U9, U8, U7.



# Evercreech Barbarians RFC (Founded 2003)

Club Address:

The Bell Inn, Evercreech, Shepton Mallet BA4 6JY

Telephone: 01749 830287

# Frome RFC (Founded 1883)

League: 1st Team - Regional 2 Tribute Severn 2nd Team - Counties 1 Tribute Southern South, 3rd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset North.



Colours: Red, White and Black

Club Address: The Clubhouse, Gypsy Lane, Frome, Somerset BA11 2NA

Telephone: 01373 462 506

Club Website: www.fromerfc.org

Chair: Shane Lewis (E: chairman@fromerfc.org)

### Secretary: Chris Hodge

7 Yeomans Lodge, Frome, Somerset BA11 4SA (M: 07974 697 556; E: secretary@fromerfc.org)

#### Treasurer: Dave Winduss

Strow House, Wanstrow , Somerset BA4 4SU (M: 07711 288 453; E: treasurer@fromerfc.org)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Celine Busg (E: celinectc@yahoo.co.uk) Fixture Secretary: Roger Gilson 28 Acacia Drive, Frome, Somerset BAll 3TS (M: 07920 838 299; E: fixtures@fromerfc.org)

Referee Contact: Roger Gilson 28 Acacia Drive, Frome, Somerset BA11 3TS (M: 07920 838 299; E: fixtures@fromerfc.org)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Paul Durston 35 Foster Road. Frome, Somerset BA11 1NY (M: 07717 773 109; E: baldmandurst@hotmail.co.uk)

Women & Girls Lead: Roger Gilson 28 Acacia Drive, Frome, Somerset BA11 3TS (M: 07920 838 299; E: fixtures@fromerfc.org)

Directions to ground: On entering Frome from Beckington and Oldford on the B3090, Cypsy Lane is the turning on the left at the top of the hill just as the 30 MPH speed limit commences. The Club House is then on the left-hand side of Cypsy Lane after a short drive.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV. Colts: U19, U18, U17. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# Gordano RFC (Founded 1889)

League: 1st Team - South West Division Reginal 2 Tributer Severn. 2nd Team - South West Division, Counties 3 Tribute Somerset North. 3rd Team - Friendlies, 4th Team - Ladies-Womens NC 1 South West (Fast)





Red and Black

Club Address: Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF

#### Telephone: 01275 373486

#### Club Website: www.gordanorfc.co.uk

Chair: Geoff Collins

c/o Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF (M: 07974571260; E: geoff@sportfields.co.uk)

#### Secretary: Ben Livings

c/o Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF

(M: 07979918498; E: secretary@gordanorfc.co.uk) Treasurer: Harry Ashwin

c/o Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF

(M: 07495629266; E: treasurer@gordanorfc.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Hannah Jones 14 kittiwake Drive, Portishead, North Somerset BS20 7PL (M: 07425056980; E: safeguarding@gordanorfc.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Jane Wilson

5 Pennant Place, Portishead, North Somerset BS20 7AA (M: 07904387683; E: rugbysafe@gordanorfc.co.uk)

#### Fixture Secretary: Joe Rowsell

C/O Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UE (M: 07746112793; E: fixtures@gordanorfc.co.uk)

#### Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Don Mowbray

39 Longfield Road, Bishopston, Bristol BS7 9AG (M: 07734717437; E: mischairman@gordanorfc.co.uk)

#### **Referee Contact: Joe Rowsell**

c/o Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF (M: 07746112793) E: fixtures@gordanorfc.co.uk)

Club Coach: Chris Moss

c/o Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UE

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Don Mowbray c/o Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF (M: 07734717437; E: mjschairman@gordanorfc.co.uk)

#### Women & Girls Lead: Kath Fitzpatrick

c/o Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF(M: 07702744043; E: ladies@ gordanorfc.co.uk)

Directions to ground: M5 Junction 19, Head towards Bristol on A369, Filter right and then turn right into Portbury village, follow the road through the village until you reach the green then turn left onto Caswell Lane after 800 meters the club is on the right hand side

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Ladies, Vets. Colts: U19, U18, U17. Girls: U18, U16, U14, U12. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# Hornets RFC (Founded 1962)

League: 1st Team - National League 2 West, 2nd Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset, 3rd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset South, 4th Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset South.





Club Address: Hutton Moor Road, Weston-Super-Mare. Somerset BS22 8LY

Telephone: 01934 621433

Club Website: hornetsrfc.rfu.club

#### Chair: Stuart Simmons C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07792 799830: E: chairman md@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Steve Fairhurst C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07768 514319; E: secretary@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Richard Powell C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07807 752680; E: treasurer@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Becky Wicks C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07538 213237; E: safeguarding@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Clare Wilkins C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07583 262087; E: rugbysafe@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Fixture Secretary: Ian Humphris C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07770 626169; E: chairmanofrugby@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Ben Milsom C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07557 383406; E: ben@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

#### **Referee Contact: Ian Humphris**

C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07770 626169; E: chairmanofrugby@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Club Coach: Jack Gadd C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07983 572923; E: jackgadd.coaching@gmail.com)

#### Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair:

Lee Stacey (Minis), Ben Milsom (Juniors) C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07896 261686 (Lee), 07557 383406 (Ben); E: minis@hornetsrfc.co.uk, juniorchairman@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

#### Mini & Junior Secretary:

Terry Leahy (Minis), Jordan Kingman (Juniors) C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07468 493312 (Terry), 07825 668902 (Jordan); E: leahy050191@hotmail.com, jordan.kingman@hotmail.com)

#### Women & Girls Lead: Rhiannon Wain

C/o Hornets RFC Ltd., BS22 8LY (M: 07703 031126; E: rhi@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Directions to ground: Leave M5 motorway at junction 21. Take dual carriageway into Weston-Super-Mare. Go over 3 roundabouts and then take right hand filter lane by brown tourist sign to Hornets RFC. Club is on the right hand side opposite leisure centre.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, 4th XV, Ladies, Vets. Colts: U18, U17. Girls: U18, U16, U14, U12. Juniors: U16, U14, U13, U12. Minis: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# Huish Tigers RFC (Founded 2019)

League: 1st Team - Tribute Counties 2 South.



Black and Orange

Colours

Club Address: Ash Meadows Park, Vivary, Taunton, Somerset TA1 3QE

#### Telephone: 07549 785147

#### Chair: Christopher Heal

Medway, Bradford On Tone, Taunton, Somerset TA4 1EX (M: 07549 785147; E: Chris.heal@live.co.uk)

#### Secretary: George Taylor

44 Drake Close, Taunton TA2 6TU (M: 07877 068258; E: Gpptaylor95@gmail.com)

#### Treasurer: Nicola Heal

Medway, Bradford On Tone, Taunton, Somerset TA4 1EX (M: 07851 310697; E: Nicola.johnson2016@btinternet.com)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Thomas Knell

11 Popes Lane, Rockwell Green, Wellington, Somerset TA21 9DQ (**M:** 07519 397355; **E:** Knell.z.net@hotmail.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Dan Trapnell 37 Herbert Street, Taunton, Somerset TA2 6HJ (M: 07581 083860; E: d.trapnell97@gmail.com)

#### Fixture Secretary: Shane Jordan

68 Kingston Road, Taunton, Somerset TA2 7SJ (M: 07891 314946; E: Shajrd281@aol.com)

#### Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Thomas Knell

11 Popes Lane, Rockwell Green, Ŵellington, Somerset TA21 9DQ (**M:** 07519 397355; **E:** Knell.z.net@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Referee Contact: Rob Chilcott

70 Geoffrey Farrant Walk, Taunton, Somerset TA1 1PU (**M:** 07850 483042; **E:** Rob.chilcott35@gmail.com)

#### Club Coach: Christopher Heal

Medway, Bradford On Tone, Taunton, Somerset TA4 1EX (M: 07549 785147; E: Chris.heal@live.co.uk)

#### Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Thomas Knell

11 Popes Lane, Rockwell Green, Wellington, Somerset TA21 9DQ (**M:** 07519 397355; **E:** Knell.z.net@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Mini & Junior Secretary: Thomas Knell

11 Popes Lane, Rockwell Green, Wellington, Somerset TA21 9DQ (**M:** 07519 397355; **E:** Knell.z.net@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Directions to ground: W3W – shrimp.abode.fortunate. Head for Taunton Deane Cricket ground at the end of Mount Street, Taunton – follow the road past the ground. Continue along the road passing the tennis courts and rifle range on your right until you reach a stone/gravel lane. The ground is through the double green gates at the end of the lane.

Teams:

Senior: 1st XV. Juniors: U16.



# Imperial RFC (Founded 1905)

League: 1st Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset North.



Colours: Myrtle Green and Amber

Club Address: Imperial Sports Ground, West Town Lane, Knowle, Bristol, BSI4 9EA Postal address C/O Imperial Fire & Security Ltd, The Old Bank, Eagle Road, Brislington, Bristol, BS4 3LQ

#### Telephone: 07970 782060

#### Club Website: www.imperial.rfu.club

Chair: Gary Kitchen (M: 07787 240972; E: gkitchen@frenchgarden.com)

Secretary: Craig Pullinger C/O Imperial Fire & Security Ltd, The Old Bank, Eagle Road, Brislington, Bristol, BS4 3LQ (M: 07970 782060; E: craig@ifs.ltd)

#### Treasurer: Craig Pullinger

C/O Imperial Fire & Security Ltd, The Old Bank, Eagle Road, Brislington, Bristol, BS4 3LQ (**M:** 07970 782060; **E:** craig@ifs.ltd)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Tim Dalton (M: 07824 469695; E: timpdalton@gmail.com) (M: 07824 469695; E: timpdalton@gmail.com)

Fixture Secretary: Michael Jackson (M: 07766 824257; E: michaeljackson160@yahoo.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Neil Butler (M: 07780 788963)

Referee Contact: Michael Jackson (M: 07766 824257; E: michaeljackson160@yahoo.co.uk)

Club Coach: Ricky Jones Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Matt Daley (M: 07854 684657)

Women & Girls Lead: Carrie Tovey (E: imperialgirlsrfc@hotmail.com)

Directions to ground: From A37, turn onto West Town Lane, take the first turning on the left into the ground. From A4, turn onto West Town Lane, bear left and continue onto West Town Lane. At the mini roundabout bear right onto West Town Lane, take the second turning on the right into the ground.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Girls: U16, U14, U12. Juniors: U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

#### Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Tim Dalton

### Keynsham RFC (Founded 1923)

League: 1st Team - Regional 2 Tribute Severn, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset North, 3rd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset North .



Colours: Amber and Black

Club Address: Crown Fields, Bristol Rd, Keynsham, Bristol, BS31 2BE

#### Telephone: 0117 9872520

#### Club Website: www.keynshamrugby.co.uk

Chair: Matt Sheehan The White House, Duck Lane, Langford BS40 5EY (M: 07769 919595; E: mattheatwave@outlook.com )

Secretary: Maria Seward 10 Raglan Walk, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 2NT (M: 07948 557750; E: maria@keynshamrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Paul Brookes 97 Albert Road Keynsham BS31 1AE (M: 07974 658508; E: Paul.brookes@cpsconstruction.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Tom Molyneux-Carter 26 Bath Road Bitton Bristol, BS30 6HZ (M: 07943 001664;

E: tom.molyneux-carter20@bathspa.ac.uk) Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Rebecca Molyneux-Carter

26 Bath Road Bitton Bristol, BS30 6HZ (**H:** 01179326904; **E:** tomnbex@aol.com) Fixture Secretary: Ashton Broad

The Pantiles, 157 Bristol Road, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0PU (**M:** 01275831605; **E:** Ashtonbroad18@gmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Matt Sheppard (M: 07793078646; E: Mattsheppard12@icloud.com)

Referee Contact: Ashton Broad The Pantiles, 157 Bristol Road, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0PU (M 0175731505: Et Achtonhroad18@amail.c

(M: 01275831605; E: Ashtonbroad18@gmail.com)

Club Coach: Hayden Johnson & Lou Reed Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Paul Newell – Mini Section Chairman (M: 07813931741) E: pnewell80@googlemail.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Matt Sheppard (M: 07793 078646; E: Mattsheppard12@icloud.com)

Directions to ground: From Bristol follow signs for A4. At Hicks Gate roundabout follow the signs for Keynsham. Go past the football ground, straight on at the mini roundabout and KRFC is on the left.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV. Colts: U18. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# Martock RFC (Founded 1992)

League: 1st Team - Somerset 2 South.



Colours: Green & Black

Club Address: 2nd Floor Commerce House, North Street, Martock, Somerset TA12 6DH

#### Telephone: 07779 796590

#### Club Website: www.martockrfc.rfu.club

#### Chair: John Hole

13 Hollies Close, Bower Hinton, Martock TA12 6LB (M: 07720762304; E: johnhole@hintonsport.co.uk)

#### Secretary: Kate Snell

Mapperton House, Blind Lane, Bower Hinton, Martock, Somerset TA12 6LR (M: 07866018215: E: Kate spellvaservices@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Paul O'Brien

16a Parway, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 4RG (M: 07779 796590; E: paulobrien14@icloud.com)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO): John Hole

13 Hollies Close, Bower Hinton, Martock TA12 6LB (M: 07720762304; E: johnhole@hintonsport.co.uk)

#### Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): John Hole

13 Hollies Close, Bower Hinton, Martock TA12 6LB (**M:** 07720762304; **E:** johnhole@hintonsport.co.uk)

Fixture Secretary: Sam Osbourne / Pat Bernaus

Sam - 8 Ivelway, Črewkerne, Somerset, TA18 8DG Pat - 15 St James Street, South Petherton, Somerset, TA13 5BS (M: Sam - 07507 979714; Pat - 07718 081836; E: Samosborne444@hotmail.co.uk / info@bernaus.uk )

#### Referee Contact: John Hole

13 Hollies Close, Bower Hinton, Martock TA12 6LB (**M:** 07720762304; **E:** johnhole@hintonsport.co.uk)

Club Coach: Paul O'Brien and Chris Snell Paul - 16a Parway, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6 4RG Chris - Mapperton House, Blind Lane, Bower Hinton, Martock, Somerset, TA12 6LR (M: 07779 796590 (Paul); 07513 126721 (Chris); E: paulobrien14@icloud.com, chris13snell@gmail.com)

Directions to ground: Pitch located at Martock Recreation Ground, Martock, Somerset.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV.

# Midsomer Norton RFC (Founded 1936)

League: 1st Team - Counties 1 Tribute Western North, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset North, 3rd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset North.



Colours: Red & White 2nd Choice: Green & Black

Club Address: Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2UE

#### Telephone: 07765053225

#### Club Website: www.midsomernortonrfc.co.uk

#### Chair: Alex Davis

C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2UE (**M:** 07894912360; **E:** alexdavis1990@live.com)

Secretary: Ian Tiley

28 Charlton Road, Midsomer Norton, BA3 4AE (M: 07765053225; E: lan.tiley@hotmail.com)

#### Treasurer: Robin Browning

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Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Rob Kernutt C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2UE

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#### Fixture Secretary: Adrian Rideout

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Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: David Williams C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2UE (H: 07779727558; E: deadlydavedd@gmail.com)

Referee Contact: Adrian Rideout 18 North Road, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2QD (M: 07743593271; E: ade.janerideout@hotmail.com)

Club Coach: Martin Blackmore C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2UE (M: 07513480270; E: mblacky83@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Jon Swift C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2UE (E: Swiftyjon@hotmail.com )

Mini & Junior Secretary: Connie Dando C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2UE (M: 07843593625; E: Conniedando8@aol.co.uk)

Directions to ground: From centre of Midsomer Norton, take B3355 towards Shepton Mallet. Continue up Silver Street for approx 800 yds.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Vets. Colts: U19, U18, U17. Boys: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# **Milborne Port**

Club Address: Memorial Ground, Springfield Road, Milborne Port, Sherborne, Dorset

# Minehead Barbarians RFC (Founded 1947)

League: 1st Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset, 2nd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset South.



Colours: Black and White

Club Address: The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR

#### Telephone: 01643 707155

Club Website: mineheadbarbariansrfc.rfu.club

Chair: Mr James Baker MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR (M: 07837576009; H: 01643 707155; E: chairmanmbfc@gmail.com)

Secretary: Mr Andrew Ford MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR (M: 07764474819; H: 01643 707155; E: mbrfcsecretary@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Mr Mike Willes MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR (M: 07974567011; H: 01643 707155; E: mike@hi=tecdrains.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Mrs Natasha Goswell MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR

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Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Mrs Sarah Penny MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR (H: 01643 707155; E: Sarahpenny1@live.co.uk) Fixture Secretary: Mr Steve Murray MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR (H: 01643 822225; E: smurray965@icloud.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Mrs Amy Wigglesworth MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR (H: 10643 70755; E: mineheadmifixtures@outlook.com)

Referee Contact: Mr Steve Murray MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR (H: 01643 822225; E: smurray965@icloud.com)

Club Coach: Mr Mick Orton MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 6TR

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Mr Dick Tucker MBRFC, The Tom Stewart Field, Ellicombe, Minehead, TA24 GTR (H: 01643 707155; E: Stephelston2@hotmail.com)

#### Mini & Junior Secretary: As above

#### Women & Girls Lead: As above

**Directions to ground:** First left at the first roundabout approaching Minehead on the A39. Club is 100 meters straight on.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Colts: U18. Girls: U18, U16, U14, U12. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

# Morganians RFC (Founded 1921)

Club Address: Morganians RFC, Chedzoy Lane, Chedzoy, Bridgwater, Somerset TA7 8QW

Telephone: 01278 423434

Club Website: wwwmorganiansrfc.co.uk



# Nailsea & Backwell RFC (Founded 1972)

League: 1st Team - Western Counties North, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset North, 3rd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset South.





Club Address: West End Park, West End Lane, Nailsea, BS48 4BY

Telephone: 01275810818

Club Website: nailseabackwellrfc.rfu.club

Chair: Darren Chidzey (M: 07899968222; E: chair@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Neil Summerell (M: 07799238695; E: secretary@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Tony Warren (M: 07765092674; E: treasurer@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Alex Wadsworth (E: Safeguarding@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Simon Brake (M: 07981129167; E: rugbysafelead@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Fixture Secretary: Richard Billows (E: Fixtures@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk) Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Steve Whitwham (M: 0785259374); E: juniorchair@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Referee Contact: Richard Billows (E: Fixtures@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Club Coach: Tony Hill (M: 07884 326020)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Steve Whitwham (M: 07852593741; E: juniorchair@nailseabackwell.co.uk)

Women & Girls Lead: Emily Fortune (M: 07784709262)

Directions to ground: From M5 junction 20 follow signs to Nailsea. At traffic lights in Nailsea, club signposted to the right. Follow this road to edge of built up area and club on the left hand side. From Bristol, follow A370 towards Weston SM and take B3130 into Nailsea. In the town, go straight over at the lights and continue as above. Map on website.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV. Colts: U18, U17. Girls: U14, U12. Juniors: U16, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

# North Petherton RFC (Founded 1893)

League: 1st Team - Regional 2 Tribute South West, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset South, Ladies Team - NC1 South West.



Colours: Black & White

Club Address: Beggars Brook, Taunton road, North Petherton, TA6 6NW

Telephone: 07496 986279

Club Website: north-petherton-rfc.co.uk

Chair: Mr Nick Rees (M: 07773 821201; E: nickrees1968@gmail.com)

Secretary: Mrs Sharon Sweet (M: 07496 986279; E: projects.nprfc@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Mrs Tracy Evans (M: 07949 232005; E: evansjsh7@aol.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Mr Simon Reeves (H: 07828 721588; E: simonreeves645@btinternet.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Mrs Tracy Evans (M: 07949 232005; E: evansjsh7@aol.com) Fixture Secretary: Mr Duncan Muir (M: 07931 308230; E: duncan-muir@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Mr Matt Giles (H: 07702 798763; E: matthewgiles12@tiscali.co.uk)

Referee Contact: Mr Duncan Muir (M: 07931 308230; E: duncan-muir@hotmail.co.uk)

Club Coach: Mr Dean Lloyd-Christie (M: 07312 258550; E: dean.coaching@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Mr Matt Giles (M: 07702 798763; E: matthewgiles12@tiscali.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Mrs Kirsty Tipney (M: 0781 6457684; E: kirstytipney@hotmail.com)

Directions to ground: 5 minutes from Junction 24 of the motorway.

Teams:

Senior: lst XV, 2nd XV, Ladies. Cols: U19, U18, U17. Girls: U18, U16, U14, U12. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# North Wootton RFC (Founded 1996)

League: 1st Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset. 2nd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset South.



Colours: Grev. Blue. Green and Maroon

Club Address: Riverside Grange, North Wootton, Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA4 4AE

#### Telephone: 07989321806

Chair: Chris English Riverside Grange, North Wootton, Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA4 4AE (M: 07394425784; E: chrisenglishuk@yahoo.co.uk)

Secretary: James Phillips

#### 4 Beech Grove, Eldwick, Bingley BD16 3EG

(M: 07989321806; E: Jamatz74@hotmail.com)

Treasurer: David Askham

Kingweston House, Kingweston, Somerton TA11 6AZ (M: 07812575939; E: Askham.d@millfieldschool.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Chris English Riverside Grange, North Wootton, Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA4 4AF (M: 07394425784; E: chrisenglishuk@yahoo.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Chris English Riverside Grange, North Wootton, Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA4 4AE (M: 07394425784; E: chrisenglishuk@vahoo.co.uk)

Fixture Secretary: James Phillips 4 Beech Grove, Eldwick, Bingley BD16 3EG (M: 07989321806; E: Jamatz74@hotmail.com)

Directions to ground: Away fixtures only.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV.

# Old Alrudedian RFC (Founded 1892)

Club Address: Kings College, Taunton, Somerset TAI 3LA

# Old Culverhaysians RFC (Founded 1959)

Club Address: Old Fosse Road, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2SS Club Website: www.oldculverhavsians.co.uk

# Old Redcliffians RFC (Founded 1918)

League: 1st Team - National 2 West, 2nd Team - Counties 1 Western North. 3rd Team - Counties 3 Somerset North.





Red & Black

Club Address: Scotland Lane, Brislington, Bristol, BS4 5LU

Telephone: 01179 778501

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/ en GB/clubs/oldredcliffians

Chair: Jon Caddick (M: 07717 731389; E: Jon.caddick@briggs.uk.com)

Secretary: Paul Bigwood 8 Wakeford Way, Warmley, Bristol BS30 5HU (M: 07778 573186; E: Paul.bigwood@castrol.com)

Treasurer: David Creber (M: 07825 325189; E: David.creber@computershare.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Emma Newton 532 Wells Road Bristol BS14 9AN (M: 07968 627517; E: Endre-lou1@hotmail.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Paul Bigwood 8 Wakeford Way, Warmley, Bristol BS30 5HU (M: 07778 573186; E: Paul.bigwood@castrol.com) **Fixture Secretary: Jon White** (M: 07904 522065; E: Whit616@outlook.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Jon White (M: 07904 522065; E: Whit616@outlook.com)

**Referee Contact: Jon White** (M: 07904 522065; E: Whit616@outlook.com)

Club Coach: Dan Cox (M: 07876 454454; E: Dan.cox@sgscol.ac.uk) Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Ian Clarke

(M: 07966 153852; E: Clarke.ian@icloud.com) Mini & Junior Secretary: Charlie Sprague

(M: 07828 665679; E: Char\_s190@blueyonder.co.uk)

Women & Girls Lead: Luke Summerfield (M: 07419 585701: E: lukesummerfield@hotmail.com)

Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Vets. Colts: U19, U17. Girls: U14, U12 Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8.



# Old Sulians RFC (Founded 1926)

League: 1st Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset North.



Colours: Red & Royal Blue Shirts, Navy Blue shorts, Red Socks

Club Address: Beach Field, Lansdown, Bath BAI 9BH

#### Telephone: 01225 533186

#### Club Website: www.oldsulians.com

Chair: Tom Shaw (M: 07445 829390; E: t0m0shaw@gmail.com)

#### Secretary: Terry Haines

24 Rockliffe Avenue, Bath BA2 6QP (M: 07887 216081; E: terry.j.haines@gmail.com)

#### Treasurer: Jon Wrigley

30 Horsecombe Brow, Combe Down, Bath BA2 5QY (M: 07771 518178; E: jon54wrigley@btinternet.com)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Maria Davies

6 Highfield Road, Peasedown St John, Bath BA2 8HF (**M:** 07522 184412; **H:** 01761 435701; **E:** rmd2901@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Mike Richardson

5 Lyme Road, Bath BAI 3LN (**M:** 07577 445710; **E:** mikeyrich66@me.com)

#### Fixture Secretary: Maria Davies

6 Highfield Road, Peasedown St John, Bath BA2 8HF (**M:** 07522 184412; **H:** 01761 435701; **E:** rmd2901@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Referee Contact: Maria Davies

6 Highfield Road, Peasedown St John, Bath BA2 8HF (M: 07522 184412; **H:** 01761 435701; **E:** rmd2901@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Club Coach: Mike Richardson

5 Lyme Road, Bath BA1 3LN (M: 07577 445710; E: mikeyrich66@me.com)

Directions to ground: Ground located on Lansdown. From Bath take Lansdown Road towards Bath Racecourse. The ground is on the left 300 m after Beckford Tower. From the motorway head towards Bath Racecourse, continue for approx a half mile and find the ground on the right.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV.

# Oldfield Old Boys RFC (Founded 1950)

League: 1st Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset, 3rd Team - Bath Social League.



#### Colours:

Maroon & Amber (Home) Maroon, Blue & Black (Away)

Club Address: The Clubhouse, Shaft Road, Bath BA2 7HP

#### Telephone: 01225 834 135

#### Club Website: www.oldfieldrfc.co.uk

#### Chair: Pat Bunton

Valley View, St Julians Rd, Shoshcombe, Bath BA2 8NB (**M:** 07963 312 044; **E:** Patbunton1@gmail.com)

#### Secretary: Richard Griffin 19 Entry Rise, Combe Down, Bath BA2 5LR

(M: 07419 772 698; E: richardgriffin@talktalk.net)

#### Treasurer: Pat Bunton

Valley View, St Julians Rd, Shoshcombe, Bath BA2 8NB (M: 07963 312 044; E: Patbunton1@gmail.com)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Dave Goucher (M: 07787 148408; E: davegoucher2003@yahoo.co.uk )

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Jon Cowley (M: 07939 604 512; E: joncow1979@gmail.com)

#### Fixture Secretary: Paul Alford

348 Bloomfield Road, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2PB (**M:** 07970 926 720; **E:** paulalford66@gmail.com) Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Matt Stoaling (M: 07903 336 625; E: mstoaling@yahoo.com)

Referee Contact: Paul Alford 348 Bloomfield Road, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2PB (M: 07970 926 720; E: paulalford66@gmail.com)

#### Club Coach: Alex Dewhurts Chapman (Backs) Toby Fields (Forwards)

(M: 07720 830 147 (Alex), 07368 604 187 (Toby); E: alexdewhurstchapman@gmail.com; tobiasfields@hotmail.com)

#### Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Stewart Holness (M: 07787 508 030; E: stewart@stewartholness.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Stewart Holness (M: 07787 508 030; E: stewart@stewartholness.com)

Directions to ground: Shaft Road is located off the main A3062 North Road heading towards Claverton Down Road (Bath University direction). The ground is signposed from North Road and the club house is located appromiately 600M from the road junction on the right hand side as you head towards Monkton Combe.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Colts: U19, U18, U17. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



## Somerton RFC (Founded 1998)

League: 1st Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset South.



Colours: Blue and Yellow

Club Address: Somerton Recreation Ground, Gassons Lane, Somerton TAll 6HS

#### Telephone: 07515 652321

#### Club Website: www.somertonrfc.co.uk

#### Chair: Paul Farmer

Moortown Farm, Curry Rivel, Somerset TA10 0AB (M: 07515 652321; E: chairman@somertonrfc.co.uk; paulfarmer1@me.com)

#### Secretary: Chris Palmer

2 Hawthorne Close, High Ham, Langport, Somerset TA10 9EA (M: 07527 045662; E: secretary@somertonrfc.co.uk; chris1953p@gmail.com)

#### Treasurer: Scott Godley

Thimble Cottage, Level View, Huish Episcopi, Langport, Somerset TA10 9NU (M: 07900 407242; E: treasurer@somertonrfc.co.uk; s.godley@sky.com)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Helen Sheerman

26 Garden City, Langport, Somerset TA10 9SU (M: 07852 543232; E: safeguarding@somertonrfc.co.uk; hel4648@gmail.com)

#### Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Matthew Stones

30 Pollam Lane, Somerton, Somerset TA11 6SP (**M:** 07710 782210; **E:** matthewstones@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Fixture Secretary: Phil Waters

The Old Bakery, Kingsdon, Somerton, Somerset TA11 7LN (**M:** 07815 898065; **E:** phillipwaters@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Referee Contact: Phil Waters

The Old Bakery, Kingsdon, Somerton, Somerset TA11 7LN (**M:** 07815 898065; **E:** phillipwaters@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Club Coach: Gary Saunders

52 Lyndale Avenue, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 3PT (M: 07772 673829; E: coach@somertonrfc.co.uk, saundersgar@aol.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Daniel Dury Meadow View, Barton Road, Keinton Mandeville, Somerset TA11 6EA (M: 07970 770946; E: dandury007@hotmail.com)

Directions to ground: 'Eirian Williams Memorial Pitch' - Somerton Recreation Ground, Gassons Lane, Somerton TAIIGHS (Somerton Sports Club - Tel: 01458 273808). The ground can be found on the B3I53 (Langport Road). Turn into Gassons Lane, by the side of ground and then turn right into the car park.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV. Juniors: U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# St Bernadette's Old Boys RFC (Founded 1962)

League: 1st Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset, 2nd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset North.



#### Colours:

French blue and emerald green shirts, blue shorts, green/blue socks

Club Address: Bamfield, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0XD Telephone: 01275 891500

Club Website: www.pitchero/clubs/ stbernadettesoldboys

#### Chair: Eddie Quirke

2 Dobbunni Close, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0FG (M: 07825058016; E: eddie.quirke@rexel.co.uk)

#### Secretary: Adam Fowgies

48 woodleigh Gardens, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 9JQ (M: 07552957206; E: fowgiesadam@gmail.com)

#### Treasurer: Matt Morgan

12 Paddock Garden, Ŵhitchurch, Bristol BS14 0TG (**M:** 07825058016; **E:** mattmorgan67@hotmail.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Nick Marshall (M: 07960989479; E: Marsh.y@blueyonder.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Nick Marshall (M: 07960989479; E: Marsh.y@blueyonder.co.uk)

#### Fixture Secretary: Aaron Smith

(M: 07590425108; E: Aaron\_smith\_69@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Ben Thomas (see Junior Chairman)

#### Referee Contact: Aaron Smith (see Fixture Secretary)

Club Coach: Chris Walker

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Ben Thomas 24 Valentine Close, Whitchurch BS14 9NB (M: 07867485091; E: bt182@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Rachael Hawkes (M: 07828430133; E: rchstbern@outlook.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Ben Thomas (M: 07867485091; E: bt182@hotmail.co.uk)

Directions to ground: From A37 - follow sign for Bristol Airport. At traffic lights in a large dip on junction with Airport Road, turn left. 0.5 mile at traffic lights, signed Action Indoor Sports, club is 0.25 mile right, before sports centre running track. From Bristol Airport on A38 turn right at the Kings Head pub. At bottom of this road turn right towards Bishopsworth. At mini roundabout, turn left and stay on this road until you reach a very large roundabout and follow the signs for Action Indoor Sports. The club is 200m on the left past this building.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Juniors: U12. Mini: U11, U9, U8, U7.

# Stothert & Pitt RFC (Founded 1903)

League: 1st Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset North



Colours: Blue, Black & Amber

#### Club Address: Corston Lane, Bath BA2 9DJ

Club Website: https://www.facebook.com/ stothert&pittrfc

Chair: Paul Thurston 201 Whiteway Road, Bath BA2 5RG (M: 07791 012338; E: stothertandpittchairman@gmail.com)

Secretary: Aaron Dixson 84 Nelson Drive, Radstock BA3 3FS (M: 07837 492955; E: stothert.pitt.rfc@gmail.com)

#### Treasurer: Nathan Chalmers

Abson Edith Farm, Bristol BS30 5TU (M: 07939 183082; E: stothertandpitttreasurer@gmail.com) Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Zoe Thurston 201 Whiteway Road, Bath BA2 5RG (M: 07816 112949; E: stothertandpitthire@gmail.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Zoe Thurston 201 Whiteway Road, Bath BA2 5RG (**M:** 07816 112949; **E:** stothertandpitthire@gmail.com)

Fixture Secretary: Tom Drew (M: 07813 088593; E: tomhdrew@googlemail.com)

Referee Contact: Tom Drew (M: 07813 088593; E: tomhdrew@googlemail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Ian Clarke (E: Clarke.ian@icloud.com)

Women & Girls Lead Luke Summerfield (E: lukesummerfield@hotmail.com)

Directions to ground: Driving on the A4 from Bristol to Bath, after leaving Saltford, the rugby club is on the left hand side around 700m, if you get to the globe roundabout you have gone too far.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV.



## Taunton RFC (Founded 1875)

League: 1st Team - National 1, 2nd Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset.



Colours: White, Black, Maroon

Club Address: Veritas Stadium, Hyde Lane, Bathpool, Taunton TA2 8BU

Telephone: 01823 336363

#### Club Website: www.tauntonrfc.co.uk

# Chair: John Wrelton

(M: 07711 959026; W: 01823 354755; E: john.wrelton@wilkie.co.uk)

#### Secretary: Peter Stone

C/o TRFC (**M:** 07748 452310; **E:** pete.stone@tauntonrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Jane Fraser C/o TRFC (M: 07902 605742; E: jane@jrveterinary.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Mark Owen C/o TRFC (**M:** 07794 970892; **E:** Markowen23573@gmail.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Sam Wallis (M: 07909 544253; E: sam@weetree.co.uk) Fixture Secretary: John Bartlett (M: 07866 605498; E: johnbartlett220@googlemail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Sam Wallis (M: 07909 544253; E: sam@weetree.co.uk)

Referee Contact: John Bartlett (M: 07866 605498; E: johnbartlett220@googlemail.com)

Club Coach: Tony Yapp (M: 07968 854683; E: tony.yapp@tauntonrfc.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Sam Wallis C/o TRFC (M: 07909 544253; E: sam@weetree.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Peter Stone C/o TRFC (M: 07748 452310; E: pete.stone@tauntonrfc.co.uk)

Directions to ground: M5 J25 Taunton, follow brown signs at traffic lights A38 Bathpool or M5 J24 North Petherton follow A38 to Taunton.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Ladies, Vets. Colts: U19, U18, U17. Girls: U15, U13. Boys: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

# Tor Rugby Club (Founded 1954)

League: 1st Team - Counties 3 Somerset South, 2nd Team - Counties 4 Somerset South.



Colours: Maroon Shirt, Navy Shorts, Maroon Socks

Club Address: Brian Harbinson Memorial Ground BA6 9GY

#### Telephone: 01458 832236

Club Website: torrugbyclub.co.uk

Chair: Dumiso Ncube (M: 07875 862057; E: chairman@torrugbyclub.co.uk)

Secretary: Jonathan Ferriday (M: 07788 778813; E: hon.secretary@torrugbyclub.co.uk)

Treasurer: Paulo Da Costa (M: 07701 336065; E: hon.treasurer@torrugbyclub.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Neil Ardeshir (M: 07854 743306; E: safeguarding@torrugbyclub.co.uk)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Dumiso Ncube (M: 07875 862057; E: chairman@torrugbyclub.co.uk) Fixture Secretary: Scott Govier (M: 07929 909923; E: scottgovier05@googlemail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: David Partlow (M: 07896 411142; E: minisandjuniors@torrugbyclub.co.uk)

Referee Contact: Paul Reed (M: 07824 771790; E: abbeyfield58@outlook.com)

Club Coach: John Fatiaki (M: 07876 302030; E: fatiakijohn@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: David Partlow (M: 07896 411142; E: minisandjuniors@torrugbyclub.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Andrew Pearce (M: 07592 692296; E: minisandjuniors@torrugbyclub.co.uk)

Directions to ground: Directly off the A39 Glastonbury Bypass.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Vets. Colts: U18, U17. Boys: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# University of Bath RFC (Founded 1965)

Club Address: Sports Training Village, University of Bath, Claverton Down Road, Combe Down BA2 7AY Telephone: 07979 536919 Club Website: www.teambath.com/sport/rugby

# Walcot RFC (Founded 1882)

League: 1st Team - Counties 1 Tribute Southern South, 2nd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset North.



Colours: Black and white hoops Black and white chevron-alternative Red

Club Address: Albert Field, Lansdown, Bath BAI 9BJ

Telephone: 01225 330199

Club Website: Walcotrfc.rfu.club

Chair: Neil Meade (M: 07748117999; E: Neil.meade@btinternet.com)

Secretary: Stuart Foxon (temporary Simon Chambers) (M: 07770730331; E: Simon.chambers@lpctrull.com)

Treasurer: Cary Bush (M: 07788712348; E: treasurer@walcotrugby.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Dave Parsons (M: 07780955338; E: daparsons@gmail.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Benjamin Head (M: 07888712347)

Fixture Secretary: Kevin Moggridge (M: 07912540950; E: Kev.moggridge@gmail.com) Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Dave Parsons (M: 07780955338; E: daparsons@gmail.com)

Referee Contact: Kevin Moggridge (M: 07912540950; E: Kev.moggridge@gmail.com)

Club Coach: Will Butt (M: 07739 798190)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Dave Parsons (M: 07780955338; E: daparsons@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Dave Parsons (M: 07780955338; E: daparsons@gmail.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Dave Parsons (M: 07780955338; E: daparsons@gmail.com)

Directions to ground: From Bath city follow signs to Lansdown and turn right opposite Lansdown P&R. From M4 head for Bath race course on Lansdown, continue past it, and turn left opposite Lansdown P&R.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Colts: U18, U17. Girls: U16, U14. Juniors: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



## Wellington RFC (Founded 1874)

League: 1st Team - Regional 2 Tribute South West. 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset South.



Colours: Red and Black hoops

Club Address: Athletic Ground, Corams Lane, Wellington, Somerset TA21 8LL

Telephone: 01823 663875

Club Website: www.wellingtonchiefs.co.uk

Chair: Gareth Hodgson (M: 07800944283; E: garethgw@hotmail.co.uk)

Secretary: Ashley Colman The Old Bakery, 4 Southway, Wellington. TA21 8PR (M: 07787 142648; E: ashley@visionsouthwest.co.uk)

**Treasurer:** Dave Wicks 8 Bluett Road, Wellington TA21 9AU (M: 07956 934208; E: diwicks@vahoo.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Marc Acton (M: 07929169828; E: Marc.acton@btinternet.com) Fixture Secretary: Andy Cottrell 33 Alder Close, Taunton TAI 20P (M: 07976 529457; E: bosscottrell@sky.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Dave Farrow (M: 07866 440493)

**Referee Contact: Jonathan Chetland** (M: 07812 951844; E: ionathanchetland@gmail.com)

Club Coach: c/o Bill Sherwin (M: 07736 807858; E: billsherwin@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Marc Acton (M: 07929169828; E: Marc.acton@btinternet.com)

Directions to ground: Go to centre of Wellington and turn right at clock tower into North Street. Proceed past fire station and Dolphin Inn until next left hand junction signposted Wellington Sports Centre. Go through the Sports Centre car park to the Club House.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV. 2nd XV. Vets. Colts: U18 Boys: U15, U14, U13. U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

# Wells RFC (Founded 1876)

League: 1st Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset, 2nd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset,



Colours: Black and White Hoops

Club Address: Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB

Telephone: 01749 672823

#### Club Website: www.wellsrfc.co.uk

#### Chair: Ben Knight

Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB (M: 07545926724; E: bk@oneillsuk.com)

Secretary: Fliss Watts Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB (M: 07840239808; E: felicity-14@hotmail.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Tom Payne

Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB (M: 07713 758274; E: tpayne12@hotmail.com)

#### Fixture Secretary: Ben Knight

Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB (M: 07545926724; E: bk@oneillsuk.com)

#### Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Sam Crew

Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB (M: 07979 978247; E: samcrewwrfc@gmail.com)

Referee Contact: Ben Knight

Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB (M: 07545926724; E: bk@oneillsuk.com)

Club Coach: Jonathan Dicker

Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB (M: 07786 262545; E: jonathanedicker@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Mike Durston Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB

(M: 07977095216; E: mikedurstonwrfc@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Fliss Watts Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB

(M: 07840239808; E: felicity-14@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Women & Girls Lead: Laura Cooper

Wells RFC, Charter Way, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB (M: 07764 474981)

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Ladies. Colts: U19, U18 U17. Girls: U18, U16, U14, U12. Boys: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



## Weston-super-Mare RFC (Founded 1875)

League: 1st Team - Regional 1 South West, 2nd Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset,

3rd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset South



Colours: Royal Blue and white

Club Address: The Recreation Ground, Sunnyside Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 3PA

#### Club Website: www.westonrugby.co.uk

Chair: PA Sloman (contact secretary)

#### Secretary: Andy Ballard

20 Friars way Burnham on Sea TA8 1RD (**M:** 07960451277; **E:** secretary@westonrugby.co.uk)

Treasurer: David Main (M: 07881512332; E: treasurer@westonrugby.co.uk)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Tracey Williams (M: 07765407808; E: williams01934@aol.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Jenny Bethell (M: 07359435388; E: jenshep1984@aol.com)

Fixture Secretary: Sam Bethell (M: 07960984974; E: mandjrugby@westonrugby.co.uk) Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Sam Bethell (M: 07960984974; E: mandjrugby@westonrugby.co.uk)

Referee Contact: Chris Heath, Andy Ballard (M: 07967391629; E: gunnerheath@btinternet.com)

Club Coach: Dave Burge (M: 07759239027; E: dmburge@yahoo.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Sam Bethell (M: 07960984974; E: mandjrugby@westonrugby.co.uk)

Women & Girls Lead: Sam Bethell & Tracey Williams (M: 07960984974; E: mandjrugby@westonrugby.co.uk)

**Directions to ground:** From M5 head towards town centre. The Recreation ground is on the left just before the flyover adjacent to the railway station.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV Colts: U18, U17. Girls: U16, U14, U12. Juniors: U15, U14, U13, U12. Mini: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

# Wincanton Rugby (Founded 1982)

League: 1st Team - Counties 4 Somerset South.



Colours: Black/Yellow Away: Yellow

Club Address: Wincanton Sports Ground, Maddocks Pavilion, Moor Lane, Wincanton BA9 9RB

#### Telephone: 01963 31815

#### Club Website: www.wincantonrugby.co.uk

#### Chair: Justin French

28 Rickhayes, Wincanton Somerset BA9 9BJ (**M:** 07957 168441; **E:** chair@wincantonrugby.co.uk)

#### Secretary: Chris Hoadley

Cutts Close Farm, Verrington Lane, Wincanton, Somerset BA9 8BW (M: 07974 207324; E: honsec@wincantonrugby.co.uk)

#### Treasurer: Keith Lavelle

Sandpit Cottage, Horsington, Templecombe BA8 0DJ (M: 07711 350124 E: finance@wincantonrugby.co.uk)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Chris Hoadley

Cutts Close Farm, Verrington Lane, Wincanton, Somerset BA9 8BW (**M:** 07974 207324; **E:** honsec@wincantonrugby.co.uk)

#### Rugby Safe Lead: Chris Hoadley

Cutts Close Farm, Verrington Lane, Wincanton, Somerset BA9 8BW (M: 07974 207324; E: honsec@wincantonrugby.co.uk)

Fixture Secretary: Andrew Durrant 41 Downside Close, Mere, Wiltshire BA12 6AS (M: 07876116084; E: andyjdurrant@hotmail.co.uk)

Referee Contact: Andrew Durrant 41 Downside Close, Mere, Wiltshire BA12 6AS (M: 07876116084; E: andyjdurrant@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Club Coach: Justin French 28 Rickhayes, Wincanton Somerset BA9 9BJ (M: 07957 168441; E: chair@wincantonrugby.co.uk)

Directions to ground: When arriving into Wincanton from the A303, turn right at roundabout heading into town, straight over the Morrisons roundabout on to the B3081, Southgate Rd. Continue to mini roundabout, follow signs by turning right on to Moor Lane, follow the road for half a mile, ground is on the left hand side.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV.



## Winscombe RFC (Founded 1962)

League: 1st Team - Regional 2 Tribute Severn. 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset North



Colours: Black and White

Club Address: The Recreation Ground, The Lynch, Winscombe, North Somerset BS25 1A7

#### Club Website: winscomberfc.rfu.club

Chair: Andrew Bridges (M: 07876 418426; E: chair@winscomberfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Laura Thomas (M: 07941 875623; E: secretary@winscomberfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Mark Jelbert (M: 07879 999680; E: mjelbert@btinternet.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Jo Horwood (E: winscomberfcsafeguarding@gmail.com)

Rugby Safe Lead: Ian Rudge (M: 0776] 649806; E: Rudgie@outlook.com)

Fixture Secretary: Ryan Robinson (M: 07739 462742; E: wrfcryan@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Sven Bassett (for minis U7-U12) Juniors (U13 – U16) managed by individual age groups (M: 07901 582181; E: Siv79@yahoo.com)

Referee Contact: Geoff George (M: 07973 233399 E: Geoffgeorge44@gmail.com)

Club Coach: James Vecchio (M: 07845 761852 E: Jamesvecchio32@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Nathan Rogers (M: 07969 902221; E: nathan@rhtoolhire.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Lora & Paul Statton (M: 07949 030500/07976 441278 E: thestattons10@gmail.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Gareth Waterfield (M: 07810 863187) E: gareth.waterfield1980@hotmail.com)

Directions to ground: Take the A38 south from Bristol. At Sidcot traffic lights turn right on the A371 towards Winscombe village. In about 300 yards at the sharp right hand bend turn left into The Lynch. Winscombe RFC is about 200 metres along on the IHS

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV. 2nd XV. Ladies. Colts: U18. Girls: U18, U16, U14, U12. Boys: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.

# Wiveliscombe RFC (Founded 1872)

League: 1st Team - Counties 1 Tribute Western West, 2nd Team - Counties 3 Tribute Somerset South.



Colours: Blue and Red

Club Address: Recreation Ground West Road. Wiveliscombe, Taunton Somerset TA4 2TA

#### Club Website: wivey.rfu.club

Chair: Gary Sharland West Weare, West Road, Wiveliscombe TA4 2TD (M: 07771863553; E: Gmsengineering@aol.com)

#### Secretary: Steve Harknett

Pare Mill, Bathealton, Taunton TA4 2AS (M: 07483857350; E: Steve\_harknett@hotmail.com)

Treasurer: Steve Scown (M: 07985218697; E: wrfctreasurer1872@gmail.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Havley Scown (M: 07527448747; E: hghscown@gmail.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Steve Harknett (M: 07483857350; E: Steve harknett@hotmail.com)

Fixture Secretary: Bruce Keav M: 07792 755009 E: Bruce,keav@webbers.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Kate Hellings-Langdon (M: 07961092884; E: Kate.jellingslangdon@gmail.com)

Referee Contact: Bruce Keav M: 07792 755009 E: Bruce.keay@webbers.co.uk)

Club Coach: Ed Lewsey (E: EAMLewsey@kings-taunton.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Sophie Wickins (M: 07747726561; E: sophiewickins@yahoo.co.uk)

Women & Girls Lead: Tori Clifford (M: 07896201002)

Directions to ground: The Recreation Ground is on the left (south) of West Road, behind the tennis courts, as you drive westward from the traffic lights.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV. 2nd XV. Ladies. Juniors: U16, U14, U13, U12,



## Wyvern RFC (Founded 1970)

League: 1st Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset South



Colours:

Scarlet/Red Shirts, Black Shorts, Red Socks

Club Address: Wyvern RFC, Wyvern Club, Mountfields Road, Taunton, Somerset TAI 3BJ

Telephone: 07305105458

Club Website: www.wyvernrfc.co.uk

#### Chair: Martin Howe

11 Bluebell Close, Taunton, Somerset TA1 3XQ (**H:** 01823 350500; **M:** 07802499007; **E:** chairman@ wyvernrfc.co.uk)

#### Secretary: Andrew 'Moley' Freeman

16 Leslie Ävenue, Taunton, Somerset TA2 6JN (M: 07305105458; E: secretary@wyvernrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Ben Dunton c/o Wyvern RFC, Wyvern Club, Mountfields Road, Taunton, Somerset TAI 3BJ

(M: 07955218478; E: treasurer@wyvernrfc.co.uk)

#### Safeguarding Officer (CSO):

Andrew 'Moley' Freeman 16 Leslie Avenue, Taunton, Somerset TA2 6JN (M: 07305105458; E: secretary@wyvernrfc.co.uk) Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Justin Bennett

10a Alfred Street, Taunton, Somerset TAI 3HU (M: 07787550339; E: jbennett18@sky.com)

#### Fixture Secretary: Justin Bennett

10a Alfred Street, Taunton, Somerset TA1 3HU (**M:** 07787550339; **E:** jbennett18@sky.com)

Referee Contact: Justin Bennett 10a Alfred Street, Taunton, Somerset TA1 3HU (M: 07787550339; E: jbennett18@sky.com)

**Club Coach: Jim Hassett** 

c/o Wyvern RFC, Wyvern Club, Mountfields Road, Taunton, Somerset TAI 3BJ (**M:** 07956404418; **E:** coach@wyvernrfc.co.uk)

Directions to ground: M5 Junction 25 to TAI 3EJ – This will bring you to Mountfields Road. As you travel along, the road splits – take the right hand fork. Continue round behind the building to the main car park.

Teams: Senior: 1st XV.

## Yatton RFC (Founded 1968)

League: 1st Team - Counties 2 Tribute Somerset, 2nd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset South



Colours: Black & gold

Club Address: The Park, North End, Yatton BS49 4AR Telephone: 01934 832085

#### Club Website: www.yattonrugby.com

Chair: Jason Clarke (M: 07896 590862; E: chairman@yattonrugby.com)

Secretary: Tula Harwood (M: 07768 168521; E: secretary@yattonrugby.com)

Treasurer: Graham Goodhind (M: 07951 450881; E: yrfctreas@gmail.com)

Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Ellie Smith (M: 07967 195939 E: safeguarding@yattonrugby.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Agata Liepa (M: 07305 615199; E: PT@yattonrugby.com)

Fixture Secretary: Ashley Skuse (M: 07545 178635; E: fixturesecretary@yattonrugby.com) Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Tom Jackson (M: 07876 770291; E: youth\_fixtures@yattonrugby.com)

Referee Contact: Rob Hepworth (M: 07957 760214 E: social\_media@yattonrugby.com)

Club Coach: Danny Thomas (M: 07854 757015 E: danjt@hotmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Colin Warren (M: 07944 758510; E: juniorchair@yattonrugby.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Colin Warren (M: 07944 758510; E: juniorchair@yattonrugby.com)

Women & Girls Lead: Vilas Anthwal (M: 07906 140177; E: vilas\_anthwal@hotmail.com)

**Directions to ground:** Yatton RFC can be found on the B3133 at the Clevedon end of the village.

Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd XV. Colts: U18. Girls: U14, U12. Boys: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# Yeovil RFC (Founded 1995)

League: 1st Team - Counties 1 Tribute Southern South, 2nd Team - Counties 4 Tribute Somerset South Women's - Championship South West 2





Club Address: Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR

#### Telephone: 07834 895127

#### Club Website: yeovilrugbyclub.rfu.club

Chair: Paul McHugh c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR

(M: 07855 837772; E: pjmchugh72@hotmail.com)

#### Secretary: Dave Lyes

c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR [M: 07710 510024;

E: secretary.yeovilrugbyclub@outlook.com)

#### Treasurer: Richard Reeves

c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR

(M: 07971 172636; E: Richard.r@hotmail.com) Safeguarding Officer (CSO): Hayley Robinson

c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR

(M: 07528 129163; E: SafeguardingYRC@gmail.com)

Rugby Safe Lead (RSL): Tim Batty c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR (E: Timbatty1999@gmail.com)

#### Fixture Secretary: Rich Gaston

c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR

(M: 07854 596432; E: richgaston@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Paul Leonard c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR

(M: 07980 565630; E: yeovilrugbyclub@gmail.com)

#### **Referee Contact: Rich Gaston**

c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR (**M:** 07854 596432; **E:** richgaston@hotmail.co.uk)

#### Club Coach: Lee Sparks

c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR (M: 07454 931222; **E:** yeovil-rugby-club-ccc@outlook. com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Bea Chubb c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR

(M: 07817 284606; E: bearnadettek79@hotmail.co.uk) Mini & Junior Secretary: Victoria Ousev

c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR (**M:** 07834 895127; **E:** yeovilrugbyclub@outlook.com)

#### Women & Girls Lead: Bea Chubb

c/o Yeovil Rugby Club, Church Lane, Yeovil, Somerset BA22 9TR

(M: 07817 284606; E: bearnadettek79@hotmail.co.uk)

Directions to ground: When arriving in Yeovil from all directions, follow the A37 south towards Dorchester. The club can be found off the roundabout which has The Red House pub on the right hand side. Yeovil Rugby Club is signposted throughout Yeovil as Yeovil Rugby Club and Ivel Barbarians.

#### Teams:

Senior: 1st XV, 2nd X, Ladies. Colts: U18, U17. Girls: U18, U16, U14. Boys: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12. Juniors: U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6.



# SOMERSET COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LIMITED RULES

#### I) NAME, OBJECTS & POWERS

#### 1 NAME

The Society shall be called the "Somerset County Rugby Football Union Limited" (Constituent Body).

#### 2 DEFINITIONS

Except where otherwise defined, the capitalised words and expressions used in these Rules and listed in the Schedule of Definitions set out in Rule 33 shall bear the meanings given to them therein.

#### **3 OBJECTS**

The objects of the Constituent Body shall be:

- 3.1 To administer the Game in the County of Somerset together with that part of the City of Bristol situated south of the true course of the River Avon (as recognised prior to the reorganisation of Local Government in 1971) ("the County") on behalf of the Union.
- 3.2 To promote, encourage and extend the Game for men, women, boys and girls throughout the County including (but not limited to) the coaching thereof, its development in Schools and at all age levels and the recruitment, administration and training of referees.
- 3.3 To ensure that the Game is played in accordance with the Laws of the Game and is administered in accordance with World Rugby Regulations and the Rules of the Rugby Football Union.
- 3.4 To arrange and undertake representative and other matches as the Committee may decide.

#### 4 POWERS OF THE CONSTITUENT BODY

To further its objects the Constituent Body shall have the power to do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the objects of the Constituent Body including (but not limited to) all or any of the following:



- 4.1 Either directly or indirectly to employ, invest and deal with the assets and funds of the Constituent Body for the objects of the Constituent Body in such manner as shall be considered by the Committee to be expedient, and to do all such other acts and things and carry on all such other activities (including (but not limited to) leasing, subleasing, releasing, renting, acquiring, altering, erecting, holding, selling, improving, developing, repairing, hiring, lending with or without security or otherwise dealing with real and personal property of any kind) as shall be considered by the Committee to be necessary or expedient for the purposes of the Constituent Body or the advancement of its interests.
- 4.2 To raise or borrow money for the purposes of or in connection with the activities of the Constituent Body or any of them as the Committee thinks fit in accordance with the following provisions:
  - 4.2.1 Any sum or sums raised or borrowed may be on mortgage, charge, bonds or debentures of all or any of the funds or property of the Constituent Body whether or not including any floating charge of the whole or part of the undertaking property and assets of the Constituent Body both present and future.
  - 4.2.2 At the time of any borrowing the sum of the amount then remaining undis charged of monies borrowed and of the amount of the proposed borrowing shall not exceed £100,000 or such sum as the Members in General Meeting may from time to time determine.
  - 4.2.3 The rate of interest payable at the time the terms of borrowing are agreed on any money borrowed shall not exceed the rate of interest which in the opinion of the Committee represents the market rate of interest for borrowings of similar amount and on similar terms prevailing at that time except that in the case of a mortgage loan the Committee may delegate the determination of the interest rate within specified limits to an Officer, Committee Member or Sub-Committee.
  - 4.2.4 The Committee may determine from time to time (subject to Rules 4.2.1, 4.2.2 and 4.2.3) the terms and conditions upon which money is raised or borrowed or security is issued and may vary such terms and conditions.
  - 4.2.5 No person lending money to the Constituent Body shall be concerned to see or enquire whether either of the limits imposed by Rule 4.2.2 or Rule 4.2.3 is exceeded at the time of the borrowing or issue and if either or both of such limits were to be exceeded no borrowing incurred in excess of such limits shall be invalid unless such person had received express notice to this effect at the time of borrowing.



- 4.3 To give any security or securities whether by way of mortgage or otherwise for the performance of any contracts or any debts, liabilities or obligations of the Constituent Body or any of its subsidiaries or other persons or corporations in whose business or undertaking the Constituent Body is interested, or to whom or in respect of whom the Constituent Body has given any personal covenant, guarantee or indemnity, whether directly or indirectly, and collaterally or further to secure any obligation of whatever nature of the Constituent Body by a trust deed or other assurance.
- 4.4 To accept and grant sponsorship and franchises and make such arrangements in connection therewith as the Committee shall think fit.
- 4.5 To apply for and hold any licences, consents, certificates, permissions and approvals that may be required for or in connection with the activities of the Constituent Body and (among other things) to provide catering and such other facilities as the Committee shall consider desirable.
- 4.6 To invite, receive and make donations for or otherwise promote or assist in the development or continuance of facilities for, or the prestige of, the Game or any other sport or recreation.
- 4.7 To assist clubs in the development, coaching and playing of the Game and in the provision of playing facilities including (among other things) playing fields and sports accommodation.
- 4.8 To support (whether by direct subscription, the giving of guarantees or otherwise) any charitable, benevolent or educational fund, institution or organisation, or any event or purpose of a public or general nature, the support of which will or may in the opinion of the Committee directly or indirectly further the objects of the Constituent Body.
- 4.9 To promote, arrange and organise leagues, competitions and tournaments for and between clubs. To engage such officials and employees upon such terms and at such remuneration as the Committee may deem appropriate, and to dismiss or retire any of them as may be necessary.
- 4.10 To provide pensions, insurances and other benefits to employees or to ex-employees of the Constituent Body or the dependants and relatives of any such persons and to establish and maintain or concur in establishing and maintaining trusts, funds, schemes or other arrangements (whether contributory or non-contributory) with a view to providing such benefits including (but not limited to) retirement benefits and/or life assurance schemes.



- 4.11 To maintain bank accounts in credit or overdrawn on such terms as the Committee shall think fit including the giving of guarantees and indemnities in respect of direct debits and other money transmission or collection systems whether pursuant to Rule 15.5 or otherwise.
- 4.12 To pass such resolutions, regulations and instructions which shall be binding on all Members as are considered necessary for the better management, organisation, administration and regulation of the Constituent Body.
- 4.13 To settle, conduct, enforce or resist either in a court of law or by arbitration any suit, debt, liability or claim by or against the Constituent Body.

#### II) MEMBERSHIP

#### 5 MEMBERS

- 5.1 The Members of the Constituent Body shall be the corporate bodies and individual persons whose names are for the time being entered in the Register of Members and in the case of individual persons who are nominees of unincorporated bodies the name of the unincorporated body whose nominee the Member is shall be entered against the name of the Member concerned.
- 5.2 No person may be a member of the Committee, other than those members co-opted under Rule 11.2, unless they are a Member.
- 5.3 Subject to Rule 5.2, the admission of Members shall be under the control of the Committee, which shall from time to time determine the criteria and conditions applicable for the approval of membership, and in the absence of such determination it shall be a requirement for admission to the position of Member for the candidate to be a member of a club affiliated to Somerset Rugby Football Union Limited and to be nominated and seconded by persons who are Members.
- 5.4 The Committee shall have power to admit to membership of the Constituent Body:
  - 5.4.1 A Club which is incorporated.
  - 5.4.2 The Secretary (or subject to the approval of the Committee any other officer or official) as its nominee of a Club which is unincorporated.
  - 5.4.3 Individual Members.
  - 5.4.4 Honorary Life Members.
- 5.5 Any association of persons of which the principal object is the playing of the Game and which desires to apply to be a Member or if unincorporated nominate a person to be a Member shall be proposed and seconded by two Members. Applications for membership may be submitted at any time.



- 5.6 Each Club which is in membership with the Constituent Body at the date these Rules take effect pursuant to Rule 26 shall be admitted to membership in accordance with Rule 5.4 and must immediately send a copy of its rules if incorporated or, if unincorporated, confirm the name and address of its secretary for entry in the Register of Members as its nominee, and thereafter every Club, whether incorporated or unincorporated, must immediately following a change of its secretary or other nominated officer notify the Secretary of the name and address of its new secretary or other nominated officer or official for the Register of Members to be amended accordingly.
- 5.7 A Member may withdraw from the Constituent Body at any time by giving to the Secretary written notice of the intention so to do provided that the Member shall remain liable for all monies then due and owing to the Constituent Body.
- 5.8 A Club shall be liable to suspension or termination of its membership or privileges as the Committee may determine if:
  - 5.8.1 It shall not have paid its annual subscription by 1st November each year.
  - 5.8.2 It shall cease to satisfy the criteria and conditions for membership as determined by the Committee under Rule 5.3.
  - 5.8.3 It does not conform to any reasonable directive by the Committee as to its standards of play, administration or general behaviour.
- 5.9 A Member shall be liable to termination or suspension of membership or to other appropriate punishment by the Constituent Body, acting by the Committee for any infringement of these Rules, any Regulation or any Rules or Regulations of the Union, the Laws of the Game or the World Rugby Regulations or any conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Constituent Body or the Game, and the Constituent Body, acting by the Committee, shall have power to discipline any Club whose nominee is a Member or any player, official, member or employee of a Club for any offence. The procedure for this exercise of this power shall be prescribed by the Committee and details thereof shall be kept by the Secretary and be available for inspection by the Members at all reasonable times.
- 5.10 A Member shall cease to be a Member:
  - 5.10.1 On resignation.
  - 5.10.2 In the case of a corporate Member on ceasing to be corporate.
  - 5.10.3 On termination of membership by the Committee in accordance with Rule 5.8 or 5.9.
  - 5.10.4 On replacement as the nominee of a Club.



5.11 For the avoidance of doubt, the vote of a Club (whether incorporated or unincorporated) at any meeting of the Constituent Body shall be cast by its secretary or nominated person. If such secretary or nominated person for the time being is also a Member of the Constituent Body in their own right, they may in addition cast a vote in their personal capacity.

#### 6 SHARE CAPITAL

- 6.1 The capital of the Constituent Body shall consist of shares of the value of £1 each.
- 6.2 Every Member shall hold one share and no more in the capital of the Constituent Body. No person who is not a Member shall be issued with a share.
- 6.3 Each Member of the Constituent Body at the date these Rules take effect pursuant to Rule 26 who or which is eligible to be a Member or to appoint its secretary as its nominee under Rule 5.6 shall be allotted one share in the name of the Member or the name of the Nominee as the case may be.
- 6.4 Any Member or nominee of a Club admitted to membership after the date on which these Rules take effect pursuant to Rule 26 shall be allotted one share on admission.
- 6.5 In the case of every Club, the share allotted to it or its nominee shall be paid up in full by applying £1 of the subscription next received from it after the date of admission to membership.
- 6.6 No share shall be held jointly, be withdrawable or subject to Rule 6.7 be transferable by any Member and no interest, dividend or bonus shall be payable on any share. Any Member transferring or attempting to transfer a share other than under the provisions of Rule 6.7 shall if the Committee so decides be deemed to have withdrawn from the Constituent Body as from the date of such transfer or attempted transfer.
- 6.7 Shares held by nominees of Clubs shall be transferable to succeeding nominees in such manner as the Committee may from time to time determine.
- 6.8 The share of a Member shall be forfeited to the Constituent Body when that Member for whatever reason ceases to be a Member and any amount then due to the Member in respect of such share shall thereupon become the property of the Constituent Body.
- 6.9 The Constituent Body shall not be required to issue a certificate to any Member in respect of the share allotted to that Member.



#### **III) GENERAL MEETINGS**

#### 7 GENERAL MEETINGS

- 7.1 All General Meetings shall be held at such location within the geographical region of the Constituent Body as the Committee may determine and any such meeting other than an Annual General Meeting shall be called a Special General Meeting.
- 7.2 The Chairperson of all such meetings shall be the President of the Constituent Body or the Immediate Past President or President-Elect or a Member of the Committee appointed at the meeting concerned to take the Chair for that meeting.
- 7.3 Every Member shall be entitled to attend and vote at any General Meeting and in the case of a corporate Member its representative to attend and vote on its behalf at any General Meeting shall be appointed under the hands of two members of its committee and its secretary. The procedure for the casting of votes shall be determined by the Chairperson of the meeting.
- 7.4 Voting shall be by show of hands, unless the Chairperson of the meeting, in their absolute discretion, decides that it shall be by secret ballot, in which case they shall determine the procedure to be applied for this purpose.
- 7.5 The quorum at any General Meeting shall be 20 Members attending in person (this might ensure attendance).
- 7.6 If within thirty minutes after the time appointed for a General Meeting a quorum is not present, the Meeting, if convened on the requisition of Members, shall be dissolved, and in every other case it will stand adjourned to such other day and at such time and place, or be dissolved, as the Committee shall determine.
- 7.7 All resolutions shall be decided by a majority of votes recorded except where:
  - 7.7.1 these Rules provide for a special resolution which shall require a majority of at least two-thirds of the votes recorded or
  - 7.7.2 a resolution is put to an Annual General Meeting as contemplated by Rule8.1.7.2, in which case the provisions of the Act as to voting shall apply.
- 7.8 A declaration by the Chairperson of a General Meeting to the effect that a particular resolution has been passed or not or passed by a particular majority or not shall (subject to the Act) be final and binding on all Members.
- 7.9 A General Meeting shall not be invalidated by reason only of any Member accidentally failing to receive a notice thereof or any accompanying document relating thereto.
- 7.10 The procedure for conduct of General Meetings shall be prescribed by the Committee and details thereof shall be kept by the Secretary and be available for inspection by Members at all reasonable times.



#### 8 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

- 8.1 Not later than 31st August in every year a General Meeting shall be held (to be known as the Annual General Meeting) for the transaction of the following business:
  - 8.1.1 To consider and approve (with or without amendment) the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
  - 8.1.2 To receive and approve a report from the Committee on the affairs of the Constituent Body since the previous Annual General Meeting.
  - 8.1.3 To elect the Officers for the ensuing year.
  - 8.1.4 To elect members of the Committee for the ensuing year.
  - 8.1.5 Where necessary in law or, where the Members require:
    - 8.1.5.1 To appoint the Auditors for the ensuing year or
    - 8.1.5 2 To consider a resolution disapplying the provisions of the Act relating to the obligation to appoint Auditor.
  - 8.1.6 To consider as a special resolution any addition or alteration to these rules duly proposed in accordance with Rule 8.6.
  - 8.1.7 To consider any other motion or business duly proposed in accordance with Rule 8.6.
  - 8.1.8 To consider any other business of which due notice shall have been given.
  - 8.1.9 To hear any other relevant matter for the consideration of the Committee during the ensuing year, but on which no voting shall be allowed.
- 8.2 Not later than 30th November in each year a General Meeting shall be held (to be known as The Financial Annual General Meeting) for the transaction of the following business:
  - 8.2.1 To receive and adopt for the preceding financial year, financial statements which shall have been prepared in accordance with the minimum standard required by:
    - 8.2.1.1 The Co-Operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, or Acts which subsequently replace this Act and
    - 8.2.1.2 The Financial Conduct Authority or other such Body with which the Constituent Body is registered.
- 8.3 Notice of every Annual General Meeting stating the date, time and venue of such Meeting shall be sent to all Members so as to be received not less than two clear weeks prior to the date of the Meeting with the agenda of the business to be considered thereat and with a copy of the Constituent Body's Financial Statement for the preceding financial year.



- 8.4 The election of the Officers shall be subject to the following provisions:
  - 8.4.1 Any Member shall have the right to make nominations, with the written consent of a candidate, for election to any one or more of the offices named in or created under the provisions of Rule 12.1. Such nominations must be sent in writing so as to reach the Secretary by 30th April. The Committee shall also have the right to make nominations for the election of Officers.
  - 8.4.2 The election of each Officer shall be decided by a majority of votes recorded.
  - 8.4.3 In the event of an equal number of votes being cast for two or more candi dates for any office, a further election for that office shall immediately be held between those candidates for whom the votes cast are equal in number. If there shall still be equality of votes, the members of the retiring Committee present at the time shall decide who shall from those candidates receiving an equal number of votes in the second election be the holder of the office concerned for the ensuing year.
- 8.5 The election of Committee Members shall be subject to the following provisions:
  - 8.5.1 The Constituent Body is divided into five Divisions covering the local government areas as follows:
    - Division A Unitary Authority of Bath & North East Somerset
    - Division B Unitary Authority of North Somerset
    - Division C The part of the City of Bristol situated south of the true course of the River Avon
    - Division D The Districts of Sedgemoor, Taunton Deane and West Somerset.

Division E The Districts of Mendip and South Somerset

8.5.2 Each Division is entitled to nominate two Divisional Representatives to serve on the Committee but where the number of Clubs in a Division exceeds twelve on 1st January for two consecutive years, that Division may nominate one additional Divisional Representative. When the number of Clubs allocated to a Division which is entitled to a third Divisional Representative falls below thirteen on 1st January for two consecutive years that Division shall cease to be entitled to a third Divisional Representative.



- 8.5.3 Clubs of each particular Division of the Constituent Body shall alone nominate their own Representatives for that Division prior to 30th April in each year when the period of office of a Representative expires in accordance with clause 8.5.5. Nominations shall be made in writing (signed by duly authorised officers or representatives of both the Club nominating and the Club seconding such nomination) on an official form issued by the Constituent Body for this purpose and shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Constituent Body at least seven days prior to the date above. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies for that Division, then a ballot will be held of the clubs in that Division. The ballot shall be conducted in writing with each Club in the division in question having one vote. The Secretary of the Constituent Body shall send to the Club Secretary of each Club in that Division a postal ballot form indicating clearly the Nominations that have been received from that Division. Each club shall return the ballot form to the Secretary within 7 days of the receipt of the ballot form by the Club indicating which Nominee it votes for. The Nominee(s) receiving the most votes shall be the Nominated Representative(s) for that Division and in the event of a tied vote the President for the time being of the Constituent Body shall cast a deciding vote. A Nominated Representative shall take office with effect from the next following Annual General Meeting of the Constituent Body. The Somerset County Rugby Football Union Referees Society Limited s shall also nominate prior to 30th April in each year one of its members to sit on the Committee.
- 8.5.4 A Representative nominated for a particular Division need not necessarily be resident in that Division.
- 8.5.5 Each Divisional Representative shall hold office for a period of three (3) years (DR Term) from the date of being elected. Should any Divisional Representative cease to hold office for any reason during the DR term, any replacement Divisional Representative shall only be elected at the next Annual General Meeting following the date of their cessation of office and shall, for the avoidance of doubt, serve for a period of three (3) years from the date of the Annual General Meeting at which they are elected.
- 8.6 Proposals for additions or alterations to the Rules or for any other motion to be submitted to an Annual General Meeting shall be subject to the following provisions:
  - 8.6.1 Any proposal shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary by 30th April duly proposed by one Member and seconded by another.
  - 8.6.2 Copies of all such proposals and copies of all proposals put forward by the Committee shall be sent to all Members with the notice of the Annual General Meeting.



- 8.6.3 Amendments to any proposal notified to Members shall be sent in writing so as to reach the Secretary duly proposed and seconded not less than twenty-four hours before the time for which the Annual General Meeting is convened.
- 8.6.4 Amendments duly received in accordance with Rule 8.6.3 shall be added to the agenda by the Chairperson of the Annual General Meeting.

#### 9 SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

- 9.1 The Committee may convene at any time a Special General Meeting by giving to all Members two clear weeks' written notice thereof stating the date, time and venue thereof and the resolution or resolutions to be moved or other business to be transacted thereat.
  - 9.1.1 Amendments to any resolution proposed by the Committee shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary duly proposed and seconded by Members in the same manner as is prescribed by Rule 8.6 for an Annual General Meeting.
  - 9.1.2 Amendments duly received in accordance with Rule 9.1.1 shall be added to the agenda by the Chairperson of the Special General Meeting.
- 9.2 The Committee shall also convene a Special General Meeting on receipt by the Secretary of a written requisition so to do, duly signed by not less than 20 Members. Each requisition must clearly state the specific resolution to be moved.
  - 9.2.1 Two clear weeks' notice of such a Meeting stating the date, time and venue thereof and the specific resolution to be moved thereat shall be sent to all Members by the Secretary within 14 days of the receipt of the requisition.
  - 9.2.2 Amendments to such a resolution shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary duly proposed and seconded by Members in the same manner as is prescribed by Rule 8.6.3.
  - 9.2.3 Amendments duly received in accordance with Rule 9.2.2 shall be added to the agenda by the Chairperson of the Special General Meeting.

#### 10 RULES

- 10.1 No new Rule shall be made, nor shall any Rule be amended or rescinded, except by a special resolution passed at an Annual General Meeting in accordance with Rule 8.5 or at a Special General Meeting convened by the Committee in accordance with Rule 9.1.
- 10.2 The Secretary shall register in accordance with the Act any new Rule or amendment to these Rules and no new Rule or amendment to the Rules shall be valid until so registered.



10.3 A copy of the Rules shall be delivered by the Secretary to any person on demand on payment of such sum (not exceeding ten pence) as may from time to time be determined by the Committee.

#### IV) OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

#### 11 POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The affairs of the Constituent Body shall be administered by the Committee, which shall exercise all the powers of the Constituent Body expressed in Rule 4 and without limiting the generality thereof.

- 11.1 The Committee shall have power to appoint such Sub-Committees as are considered necessary to deal with the affairs of the Constituent Body.
  - 11.1.1 The Committee shall determine the composition, powers and terms of reference of each Sub-Committee.
  - 11.1.2 The Chairperson of any Sub-Committee shall be a Committee member and shall have a second or casting vote, and the quorum necessary for the transaction of business by a Sub-Committee shall be one-third of its appointed members or as the Committee may determine.
  - 11.1.3 A Sub-Committee may exercise the power of co-option subject to the provisions of Rule 11.2.
- 11.2 The Committee shall have power to co-opt additional members to serve on it provided that the number of such co-opted members shall not exceed 33 percent of the number of members elected to hold office on the Committee (the Officers and the Representative(s) for the purposes of this computation being deemed to be elected members) and to approve the co-option of additional members to serve on any Sub-Committee, in both cases for either general or special service and with or without voting rights. A co-opted Committee may determine not exceeding 3 years. On the expiry of the co-opted Committee member's period of office, they may be co-opted again for a further period of 3 years provided that no person may be co-opted for more than 3 consecutive periods of years.
- 11.3 The Committee shall not exercise its powers in any way or for any purpose inconsistent with the objects of the Constituent Body.
- 11.4 The procedure for the conduct of meetings of the Committee shall be prescribed by the Committee and details thereof shall be kept by the Secretary and be available for inspection by Members at all reasonable times.



- 11.5 The proceedings of meetings of the Committee and any Sub-Committee shall be private and confidential and no member of the Committee or any Sub-Committee shall be entitled to disclose the details of any discussions that take place or decisions made by the Committee or any Sub-Committee provided always that nothing shall prevent any member of the Committee or any Sub-Committee from disclosing to the Union or any relevant authority any matter discussed or decided upon in a meeting of a Committee or a Sub-Committee that they, acting in good faith, reasonably believe to be a breach of these Rules, a criminal offence or a matter which by reason of the potential detriment that the matter might cause to the standing or reputation of the Constituent Body, the Union, the relevant authority or the Game is something that ought to be disclosed to the Union or relevant authority.
- 11.6 The Committee may if it sees fit and acting by a vote of no less than three-quarters of its members discipline, suspend or remove from office or the Committee any Officer or member of the Committee or Sub-Committee who in the reasonable opinion of the Committee acting in good faith fails to comply with his or her obligations under these Rules or otherwise acts in a manner to the detriment of the Constituent Body or which is incompatible with his or her continued membership of the Committee.
- 11.7 Any person so disciplined or removed has the right of appeal to a Sub-Committee of the Committee consisting of the President for the time being (or if the person in question is the President the Hon. Secretary) and not less than two other members of the Committee and in the event they are unsuccessful at that appeal to require the Committee to convene a meeting of the Members of the Constituent Body to decide whether they should be disciplined or removed from office. The Committee shall decide on the procedure to be applied at such meeting.
- 11.8 References in these Rules to any acts or activities or opinion (including, without limitation, decisions, directions, requests, exercises of discretion and the giving of consent) of the Committee shall mean such acts or activities or opinions as shall have been sanctioned or effected or (as the case may be) expressed by (a) a resolution of the Committee or (b) a resolution of the relevant Sub-Committee where the power to act or authority being exercised has been delegated by the Committee to a Sub-Committee or (c) the relevant Officer where that power or authority has been delegated by the Committee to an Officer.



#### 12 OFFICERS

- 12.1 The Officers of the Constituent Body shall be a President, a Secretary, an Honorary Treasurer and such other Officers as the Constituent Body may in General Meeting from time to time determine.
- 12.2 The Officers of the Constituent Body shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting in accordance with Rule 8.4.
- 12.3 Each Officer on election at an Annual General Meeting shall hold office from the end of that Meeting until the end of the next Annual General Meeting but shall be eligible for re-election from year to year.
- 12.4 If any such offices shall fall vacant between one Annual General Meeting and the next, such vacancy shall be filled by the Committee for the period of the vacancy.

#### 13 COMMITTEE

- 13.1 The Committee shall consist of:
  - 13.1.1 The Officers.
  - 13.1.2 Fourteen Divisional Representatives (or such other number not exceeding twenty as may be determined from time to time by the Constituent Body in General Meeting) duly elected in accordance with Rule 8.4. The Divisional Representatives shall hold office for the DR Term. Should any replacement Divisional Representative cease to hold office for any reason during the DR Term, any replacement Divisional Representative shall nolly be elected at the next Annual General Meeting following the cessation of office and shall, for the avoidance of doubt, serve a period of three (3) years from the date of the Annual General Meeting at which he was elected. The CB Representative(s), who shall hold office from the end of the Union Annual General Meeting next following his election until the end of the following Union Annual General Meeting.
  - 13.1.3 The Constituent Body RFU Council Member(s), who shall hold office from the end of the Rugby Football Union next following their election until the end of the following Rugby Football Union Annual General Meeting.
- 13.2 The Committee shall each year elect their own Chairperson for the ensuing year to hold office from the date of the Annual General Meeting until the date of the following year's Meeting. They may hold any other office in the Constituent Body at the same time and shall be eligible for re-election from year to year.



- 13.3 The quorum at any meeting of the Committee shall be seven (or such other number as may be determined from time to time by the Constituent Body in General Meeting) and the Member elected to take the Chair shall be entitled to exercise a second or casting vote.
- 13.4 If a vacancy shall occur for an elected Member of the Committee between one Annual General Meeting and the next, such vacancy shall be filled by the Committee.
- 13.5 If a Member of the Committee shall commit an offence under Rule 5.9 or shall be adjudged bankrupt or if a court order is made appointing a receiver to administer such Member's property, such Member shall thereupon cease to be a Member of the Committee.
- 13.6 Committee Members shall receive no remuneration for serving on the Committee other than the payment of authorised expenses for carrying out their duties.

#### **V FINANCE**

#### 14 CONSTITUENT BODY FINANCE

- 14.1 The Constituent Body's income shall be obtained annually from the subscriptions of Members, from investments and securities, from gate monies and ticket receipts from matches arranged by the Constituent Body, from sponsorship and from any other available source.
- 14.2 The profits of the Constituent Body shall be applied only in furthering the objects of the Constituent Body.
- 14.3 The Constituent Body shall not have power to receive money on deposit from Members or others.
- 14.4 A Financial Statement of the Constituent Body's affairs shall be made up to 30 June in each year (or such other date as may be determined from time to time by the Constituent Body in General Meeting) and shall be signed by the Honorary Treasurer, the Secretary and one Member of the Committee and a printed copy of the signed Financial Statement shall be sent to each Member with the notice calling an Annual General Meeting. An audit where necessary in law or, where the membership require, shall be carried out by a registered auditor or, where the conditions applicable for appointing lay auditors apply, by 2 or more lay auditors, together with the Auditors' report thereon and shall be sent to each Member with the notice calling an Annual General Meeting.



14.5 The Constituent Body may participate in a direct debiting scheme as an originator for the purpose of collecting subscriptions for any category of membership and/or any other amounts due to the Constituent Body. In furtherance of such a scheme the Constituent Body may enter into an indemnity required by the bank upon whom direct debits are to be originated and such indemnity may be executed on behalf of the Constituent Body by the Secretary or as otherwise determined pursuant to these Rules.

#### 15 MATCH TICKETS

- 15.1 Tickets for matches arranged by the Constituent Body shall be under the control of the Committee and shall be sold at prices fixed by the Committee (without any provision for repurchase by the Constituent Body) or as the Committee may direct, and the Committee shall allocate such tickets on an equitable basis.
- 15.2 The Committee shall have power to issue such season and other tickets, on such terms, with such privileges and to such persons as it may from time to time determine.

#### **16 AUDITORS**

- 16.1 The provisions of the Act relating to the appointment, powers, rights, remuneration, responsibilities and duties of the Auditors shall be complied with.
- 16.2 The Auditors where appointed shall be entitled to attend any General Meeting and to receive all notices of and other communications relating thereto which any Member is entitled to receive, and to be heard at any General Meeting on any part of the business which concerns them as auditors.

#### 17 FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OF CLUBS

- 17.1 Each Club shall by 1st October in each year pay to the Constituent Body such annual subscription and such other amounts as the Committee may from time to time determine.
- 17.2 On or before 31st December each year a properly prepared Financial Statement for the previous season shall be sent by each Club for examination by the Committee. Such financial statement shall be audited or inspected in accordance with the Rules of the Union



#### VI STATUTORY PROCEDURES

#### **18 REGISTERED OFFICE**

- 18.1 The registered office of the Constituent Body shall be at 20, Fairlands Way, Cheddar, Somerset BS27 3NN or at such other location in England as the Committee may from time to time otherwise determine.
- 18.2 Notice of any change in the situation of the registered office shall be given by the Secretary to the Registrar within fourteen days after the change.

#### 19 USE OF NAME OF THE CONSTITUENT BODY

- 19.1 The name shall be kept painted or affixed in a conspicuous position and in letters which are easily legible on the outside of every office or place in which the activities of the Constituent Body are carried on.
- 19.2 The name shall be stated in legible characters in all business letters of the Constituent Body, in all notices, advertisements and other official publications of the Constituent Body, in all bills of exchange, promissory notes, endorsements, cheques and orders for money or goods purporting to be signed by or on behalf of the Constituent Body and in all bills, invoices, receipts and letters of credit of the Constituent Body.
- 19.3 Save with the authority of the Committee, the name of the Constituent Body shall not at any time be used by any Member in any document or advertisement issued or published by, or on behalf of or with the authority of that Member in such a way as to indicate or imply that such document or advertisement was issued or published by or on behalf of the Constituent Body or the Committee.

#### 20 SEAL

The Constituent Body shall have its name engraved in legible characters on a seal which shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary and shall be used only under the authority of the Committee, which may determine who shall countersign any instrument to which the seal is affixed and, unless otherwise so determined, it shall be countersigned by any two of the Officers.

#### 21 REGISTER OF MEMBERS

- 21.1 The Constituent Body shall keep at its registered office a Register of Members and Officers in which the Secretary shall enter the following particulars:
  - 21.1.1 The name and address of each Member, and, where a Member is a nominee, the name of the Club making the nomination shall be noted against the name of the Member.
  - 21.1.2 A statement of the share held by each Member and the amount paid therefor.



- 21.1.3 A statement of other property, if any, in the Constituent Body held by each Member whether in loans or otherwise.
- 21.1.4 The date on which each Member was entered in the Register as a Member and the date on which a Member ceased to be a Member.
- 21.1.5 The names and addresses of the Officers of the Constituent Body with the offices held by them respectively and the date on which they assumed and left office.
- 21.2 The Register of Members and Officers shall be so constructed that it is possible to open to inspection the particulars entered pursuant to Rules 21.1.1. 21.1.4, and 21.1.5 without also opening to inspection the other particulars entered in the Register.

#### 22 INSPECTION OF BOOKS

All Members and persons having an interest in the funds of the Constituent Body shall be allowed to inspect their own accounts and the particulars entered in the Register of Members and Officers other than those entered under Rules 21.1.2 and 21.1.3 at all reasonable hours at the registered office of the Constituent Body subject to such regulations as to the time and manner of such inspection as may be made from time to time by a resolution passed at a General Meeting.

#### **23 ANNUAL RETURN**

- 23.1 Every year not later than the date provided by the Act or where the return is made up to the date allowed by the Registrar not later than seven months after such date the Secretary shall send to the Registrar the annual return in the form prescribed by the Registrar relating to the affairs of the Constituent Body for the period required by the Act to be included in the return together with a copy of the Financial Statement of the Constituent Body with the Report of the Auditors where applicable thereon for the period included in the return and a copy of each balance sheet made during that period and the Report of the Auditors where applicable on that balance sheet.
- 23.2 A copy of the latest annual return shall be supplied free of charge on demand to every Member or other person interested in the funds of the Constituent Body.

#### 24 PUBLICATION OF ACCOUNTS

The Constituent Body shall keep a copy of the last balance sheet for the time being together with the Report made by the Auditors, where applicable, thereon always hung up in a conspicuous place at its registered office.



#### **25 REGISTRATION**

These Rules shall take effect on and from the date of their registration pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of the Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1965.

#### 26 DISSOLUTION

In the event of it becoming necessary for the Members to discontinue the activities of the Constituent Body and to dissolve the Constituent Body under the provisions of the Act, its funds and property shall be appropriated or divided amongst the Members in such manner as the Committee consider to be fair and reasonable

#### **VII GENERAL**

#### 27 CONTINUITY

For the avoidance of doubt, every Member of the Constituent Body who at the date these Rules take effect pursuant to Rule 26 holds office or position in any capacity in the Constituent Body (including the position of Vice-Presidents and/or patrons) shall continue to hold the same office or position following registration. Such Members shall have the same seniority, dates of appointment, dates of retirement and the like after registration as before registration, subject only to such changes as are necessary by virtue of these Rules. The Trustees under the former Rules of the Constituent Body shall, until they have fully discharged their duties, remain as Trustees upon those of the former Rules which relate to Trustees, varied only insofar as these Rules necessarily require.

#### **28 INDEMNITY**

Each Officer (including under the former Rules of the Constituent Body the Trustees) and employee from time to time of the Constituent Body and each person who was or is from time to time a Member of the Committee or any Sub-Committee shall (to the extent that such person is not entitled to recover under any policy of insurance) be entitled to be indemnified out of any and all funds available to the Constituent Body which may lawfully be so applied, against all costs, liens, charges, expenses and liabilities whatsoever incurred by such person in the execution and discharge of duties undertaken on behalf of the Constituent Body or in relation thereto, or incurred in good faith in the purported discharge of such duties, including any liability incurred in initiating, prosecuting or defending any proceedings, civil or criminal, which relate to anything done or omitted as an Officer or or employee or as a Member of the Committee or any Sub-Committee as the case may be provided that no person who is found guilty of a criminal offence or fraud shall be entitled to an indemnity in respect of their costs, charges, expenses or liabilities relating to any legal proceedings resulting in such conviction or any fine or order for restitution that may result therefrom.



#### **29 NOTICES**

Any notice or other communication or document sent by first class post to a Member, Officer or Member of the Committee shall be treated as having been given twenty-four hours after the time when it was posted.

#### **30 ARBITRATION**

Every dispute of the type specified in Section 60 of the Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1965 or any amendment, modification or re- enactment thereof (not being one in respect of which the decision falls to be made in some other way under these Rules) shall be referred to the arbitration of a single arbitrator (pursuant to the Arbitration Act for the time being in force) to be appointed in default of agreement between the parties to the dispute by the President (or failing whom one of the other office holders) for the time being of the Union.

#### **31 INTERPRETATION**

Subject to the provisions of the Act, any difference of opinion as to the interpretation of these Rules or on any matter not provided for therein shall be decided by the Chairperson of a General Meeting at such Meeting or by the Committee in every other circumstance, and every such decision shall be recorded in the minutes and shall be accepted as the true meaning until thereafter otherwise interpreted on due notice at a subsequent General Meeting.

#### **32 SCHEDULE OF DEFINITIONS**

"the Act"	means the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts 1965-1978 and any subsequent Acts governing or otherwise affecting industrial and provident societies.
"Auditors"	means the auditors of the Constituent Body for the time being.
"RFU Council Member"	means the representative(s) elected to represent the Constituent Body on the Council of the Union in accordance with the Rules of the Union for the time being registered with the Registrar.
"Club"	means a club admitted into membership of the Constituent Body in accordance with the Rules of the Constituent Body.
"Constituent Body"	means Somerset County Rugby Football Union Limited.



"Committee"	means the committee designated in Rule 13 and "Committee Member" or "Member of the Committee" means a member of the Committee for the time being and shall include a person co-opted under Rule 11.2.
"Financial Statement"	means a Balance Sheet together with a Statement of Accounts showing Income and Expenditure.
"Game"	means the game of Rugby Union Football.
"General Meeting"	means a general meeting of Members.
"Honorary Life Members"	means persons, in recognition of outstanding service to the Constituent Body, nominated by the Committee and elected by the Members in General Meeting.
"Secretary"	means the Secretary of the Constituent Body for the time being.
"Individual Members"	means members of Clubs who are elected to membership of the Constituent Body by the Committee, having first been proposed and seconded by two existing Individual Members
"Laws of the Game"	means the laws promulgated by the World Rugby from time to time according to which the Game is played throughout the world.
"Member"	means a member of the Constituent Body.
"Officers"	means the officers designated in Rule 12.
"Registrar"	means the Chief Registrar and Assistant Registrars for England in the Central Office of the Registry of Friendly Societies.
"Regulation"	means a resolution, regulation or instruction made in accordance with Rule 4.12
"Rules"	means the Rules of the Constituent Body for the time being registered with the Registrar.
"Union"	means the Rugby Football Union

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"World Rugby"	means the world Governing Body of the Game, which at
	the date of the adoption of these Rules is the International
	Rugby Board of which the Union is a member.
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# SOMERSET COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LIMITED REGULATIONS

#### 1. SUBSCRIPTIONS AND MATCH TICKETS:

The rates of subscription to the Constituent Body shall be decided by the Committee and any alteration shall be confirmed by the members of the Constituent Body at an Annual General Meeting. Membership should be current from 1st September in any one year to 31st August in the next year. The appropriate membership subscription shall be paid by 30th September in the current year or the member will be liable to be struck off the membership register and the member's voting rights will be lost.

Individual Members shall be entitled to:

- (a) Free admission to any Somerset club ground (and a stand ticket if available) for any home County friendly fixture.
- (b) Apply to purchase stand tickets at any home County Championship fixture. Prior consideration will be given to applications for the first two such tickets applied for, the first of which shall be supplied free of charge. All members will be notified of the closing date for such ticket applications.
- (c) Apply for international tickets and for tickets against touring sides in which Somerset are involved as one of the host counties.

#### 2. THE PRESIDENCY:

Subject to re-election at the Annual General Meeting, the President, who must be a member of the Constituent Body, will normally serve a two-year term of office. During the President's first year of office, the retiring president shall remain a co-opted member of the Committee, if not an elected member of the Committee, for one year only. At the end of the President's first year of office, the Committee will nominate a President-Elect to succeed the President at the end of his two-year term. This nomination shall be approved by the members at the Annual General Meeting. Any nominee for President must have served a minimum of five years on the Committee. The President-Elect shall serve on the Committee as a co-opted member if not an elected member of the Committee.

#### 3. PATRONS:

Each year at the Annual General Meeting, Patrons of the Constituent Body shall be elected from past and present members of the Constituent Body in recognition of their service to the Constituent Body. Nominations for Patrons must be in the hands of the Secretary not later than 30th April in each year.



#### 5. REPRESENTATIVES OF MEMBER CLUBS:

The Secretary of each affiliated club shall, for various purposes, be considered as the club's representative in connection with the Constituent Body, although it is not necessary that he or she shall be one of the club's delegates at General Meetings. Notices of all matters in which clubs are concerned shall be deemed to be served on a club if communicated to the club's Secretary at the address which was last supplied to the Secretary of the Constituent Body. All changes in Secretaries and any changes in addresses must be advised to the Secretary of the Constituent Body as soon as possible.

#### 6. QUALIFICATIONS FOR PLAYERS:

A player selected to play for the County need not necessarily be a member of the Constituent Body provided they comply with the current RFU Regulations with regard to County Championship player qualifications.

#### 7. COLOURS:

The colours of the Constituent Body shall be Black, White and Crimson. All players participating in County matches shall wear the County jersey (normally black, white and crimson hoops with white collar) and black shorts. A player who plays in their first County Championship match shall be awarded a County tie. On the fifth occasion a player plays in a County Championship match or plays in four matches and is selected for a fifth match that is cancelled, they shall be awarded a County blazer badge. When a player has played in twenty County Championship or other matches recognised by the Committee, they shall be awarded a County cap.





#### 8. CAPTAIN:

The Senior Playing Committee shall appoint from time to time the Captain of the Senior County XV and may, at its discretion, request their assistance for the purpose of selecting the Senior County Squad.

#### 9. COACH:

The Committee shall have the power from time to time to appoint a County Coach and to determine the Coach's terms and conditions of employment including any remuneration if appropriate.

#### **10. PLAYERS INSURANCE:**

The Committee shall insure the Constituent Body teams' players under the RFU Death & Total Disability Scheme and at its discretion effect loss of earnings and other cover with the South Western Division Rugby Football Mutual Benefit Fund or any other appropriate organisation.

#### 11. EXPENSES:

Committee members and players shall be entitled to reclaim all legitimate out-of-pocket expenses on application to the Honorary Treasurer. All such payments are made at the discretion of the Admin and Finance Sub-Committee.

#### 12. COMPETITIONS:

County Cup competitions at all levels shall be administered by a Competitions Sub-Committee, which shall be responsible for drafting rules for those competitions and any subsequent amendments to those rules, all of which shall be subject to final approval by the Committee.

#### 13. AUDITORS:

The Constituent Body's auditors, if appointed, shall be Registered Auditors.

#### 14. ALTERATIONS TO REGULATIONS:

No regulation may be altered or rescinded or any new regulation included without the consent of two-thirds of the Members present at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting. Notice of any changes to the Regulations must be given in writing to the Secretary of the Constituent Body together with the names of the proposer and seconder in the case of an Annual General Meeting by 30th April prior to the meeting and in the case of a Special General Meeting at least one month before the date of the meeting.



#### 15. DIFFERENCES OF OPINION AS TO THESE REGULATIONS:

In the case of any difference of opinion as to the meaning of these Regulations, such meaning shall be decided by the Committee or, if it occurs at a Ceneral Meeting, by the Chairperson of the meeting. Any such decision shall be recorded in the appropriate minutes and shall be accepted as the true meaning of the Regulation unless otherwise interpreted at a Ceneral Meeting, after due notice has been given.

#### 16. MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR IN THESE REGULATIONS:

Any matter not provided for in the Rules or these Regulations shall be discussed and settled by the Committee and the members shall be bound thereby until the date of the next Annual General Meeting of the Constituent Body when any new ruling of the Committee, provided that due notice of the same has been given (under Rule 8.5) to the Secretary of the Constituent Body, shall be brought before the meeting for ratification or otherwise.



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# SOMERSET COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

# SEASON 2023 - 2024

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Please admit Holder to all County Friendly matches, Under-20 matches, Under-18 XV matches and other matches as designated by the County Committee of Management.