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FOREWORD BY MARK HAWKES, PRESIDENT, SOMERSET COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD

2018 - 2019

I am extremely proud and looking forward to my term as President of our fine home County. Somerset is a truly special place to me, I have lived here all my life, I enjoy it. I often say that I do not think we realise how lucky we are to live in such a beautiful part of the country.

I wish everyone involved in rugby in Somerset a successful season whatever your perception of successful is. Enjoy your rugby getting all you desire from our great game.

I have no doubt that making the game better is something we all strive to achieve. The road to being better is a difficult road and often there are often lay-bys. There is a saying “ Perfection may be unattainable but in its pursuit we will find excellence.

As you continue to volunteer and develop the game in whatever role you perform large or small in your home town or village remember these words ‘Volunteers and amateur rugby players are the mortar that holds our game together, making it strong and sustainable’, without you the game would not be the one we love. It is important you love the game before anything else.

I intend to visit as many clubs as possible in my term to see what you are doing and I look forward to you telling me what rugby, in the shape of the RFU and Constituent Body (Somerset), can do for the club or organisation you work or volunteer in.

There are a variety of different funds available to the County via the RFU for you and your club. Please take the opportunity to find out about these and contact us to see if you can access them for your club. There is a county management group who oversee funding with their many roles and their contact details highlighted in your handbook.

Please do contact us in order that we may help you individually or as a group, alternatively you can speak to your local RFU community rugby coaches and representatives who work hard with us to deliver a rugby experience that is beneficial to all.

“Better never stops”



Mark Hawkes

Somerset County Rugby Football Union, President

FOREWORD BY CHRIS KELLY, PRESIDENT, RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

2018 - 2019

It is a pleasure, as one of my first tasks at RFU President, to wish the game in Somerset an enjoyable and successful season.

Somerset players, both men and women, have played at the highest level and their England careers have begun in the clubs and schools of the county. It's also true that those who love playing grassroots rugby union, both as youngsters and adults, are extremely well served by opportunities on offer.

Whether playing at international level, or for a local club, school, college or university, it remains true that our sport builds confidence, skills and values that serve us well through life.

I am extremely grateful to all the Somerset volunteers and administrators who give so freely of their time so that others can have this advantage.

It is particularly pleasing to see the progress made in Age Grade Rugby and Somerset's contribution to putting young players and their enjoyment at the heart of the game. Similarly, the work in the county to grow the game for women and girl is commendable, especially as it makes rugby union more and more a game for everyone.

I would like to wish all the county teams, players, and coaches, well for the coming season and to thank the growing number of match officials for making sure games can take place.

Without our volunteers the game would not continue to thrive and I am well aware that Somerset has many unsung heroes working behind the scenes. You are due particular thanks for all you do for our sport and our community clubs.

The very best of luck for the 2018/19 season. I hope you all enjoy your rugby.

Have a good season.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Chris Kelly'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Chris Kelly
RFU Incoming President



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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

The election of representatives to the Council shall be made before 1 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 not later no later than 1 March.

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

Appointments

Hon. Chairman of Selectors: TBC

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Finance & Governance

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Club Development

A Bennett (Chair), N Robins
Volunteer Co Ordinator
TBC

Competitions

J Harding (Chair), A Shorney, N Prescott, L Davies, A Derry, N Robins

Discipline

TBC (Chair), S Mead (Secretary), A Bennett, N Robins, N Prescott, L Davies, S Deere, A Harrington

Senior Playing

TBC (Chair) M Hawkes, S Arnold, J Wheatley, H Davies

Facilities

A Bennett, N Robins, P Box, B Sparks

Age Grade

J Wheatley, P Shepherd, M Hawkes

Coaching

S Arnold, M Hawkes, J Wheatley, P Shepherd

Bath Combination

S Mead, J Wheatley

Bristol Combination

S Arnold, P Box, B Sparks

ERCA

S Mead, A A Shorney, M Hawkes

Representatives Referees Society

S Mead

South West Mutual Benefit Fund

A A Shorney & M Wicks

DPP

J Wheatley

SRURS Representative to SCRFU

Lawrence Davies

England Schools RFU CB Chair

Paul 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

- Deal with disciplinary matters as delegated by the RFU.
- Support and liaise with SCRFU Referees Society and clubs where appropriate.

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, 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 to 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.
- Appoint all Age grade and Senior coaches

DISCIPLINE

The Disciplinary Sub-Committee deals with all disciplinary matters on behalf of the Management Committee under powers delegated by the R.F.U.

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

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

The Disciplinary Sub-Committee 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 Sub-Committee 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 R.F.U. Handbook.

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

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REPORTS ON 2017 - 2018 SEASON

COUNTY SECRETARY'S REPORT

I didn't think at the start of the 2017-18 season I would end up as the County Secretary for Somerset County RFU. It has been a privilege to take on the role but I know I have big shoes to fill. I would like to start by thanking my predecessor Neil Skinner, the County Chair Steve Mead, County President Andy Shorney and all the committee at Somerset RFU together with RFU RDO Matt Bray for their help and patience during my transition period. One thing that I have learnt is that there is no such thing as the "Close Season".

It has been a steep learning curve with a few big hills to climb and I thank all the clubs for their support and understanding along the way.

I appreciate that you are all volunteers and your time is precious, as a volunteer you are the core of any club and the driving force behind it. I will help whenever and wherever I can but I also need yours. Tours and Festival approvals are time consuming; I don't want to stop anyone having fun but we do have a protocol for follow which is set out by the RFU. I'm working together with the RDO's and CRC's to make this task easier for you to submit your forms for permission and hopefully improve this process by the start of the 2018-19 season.

Somerset RFU want to see rugby enjoyed across Somerset, we have an excellent RFU 365 AGP pitch at Hornets RFC that can see rugby being played in all but the most extremes of weathers. We would love to see all our clubs grow in numbers for boys, girls, men and women so that they can all enjoy what rugby has to offer: Camaraderie, Fun and the fundamental Core Values for the game, Teamwork, Sportsmanship, Respect, Discipline and Enjoyment.

It is important to feel part of the team either on or off the pitch.

With this in mind it's good to see that Discipline cases have dropped, if only slightly. The concern is with Age Grade related reports and a first for Somerset this season with a breach of RFU Regulation 15 which resulted in two adult coaches and their club brought to book by the RFU. The season saw more Match Official Abuse by spectators which is a worrying trend, Clubs are reminded of their responsibilities to manage spectators as well as coaches and players at matches, regardless of whether these people are members of the club or not.

In the County Webb Ellis Cup, Hornet's became champions for a fourth time beating Bath University 22-19 in a closely contested Final.

In the County Vase, Wellington appeared in their 3rd Webb Ellis Vase Final and secured a convincing victory over Winscombe 45-17.

In the Ladies Cup Final, North Petherton were treated to a trip to play at the Recreation Ground in Bath, They were narrowly defeated by the home side 13-7 and apart from the venue, the game had the added benefit of an international referee in Clare Daniels.

The Junior Cups saw Taunton U14's lift the trophy with a tight 22-19 victory over Walcot and the U15's saw Wellington come out on top beating local rivals Taunton 20-5.

Winscombe triumphed over Keynsham in the U16's final 26-19 with Taunton sealing the U18's trophy with a convincing 48-14 win over Nailsea & Backwell.

Congratulations to North Petherton RFC who celebrated their 125th anniversary this year. County President Andy Shorney presented them with a weather Vane from the County RFU at the clubs celebratory dinner.

Dings were crowned winners of the South West Premier League. Drybrook took the South West 1 spot though there was good news in the Tribute Leagues from Somerset Clubs seeing Gordano win Somerset Premier with Bristol Barbarians taking Somerset One.

Cheddar Valley are on the move to Somerset One after taking the Two North title with Castle Cary winning Two South, Taunton 3rd's took the honours in Somerset Three South.

The County Men's senior side had mixed results with losses away against Warwickshire and at home to Hampshire, but they ended the campaign on the positive with a convincing win in their final game of this season's County Championship at Taunton against North Midlands.

The Ladies continue to go from strength to strength and both Bath and Bristol DPP's continue to supply the younger age grades.

The Somerset and Bristol referees have again provided an excellent service throughout the season. They have had success with the Referee Academy

programme which should see some new appointments for the coming season.

I look forward to my first full season as secretary and would just like to reiterate my thanks to the County Chairman, Steve Mead and all the County Management committee for their advice and assistance thus far.

Good luck to you all for the coming season

*Gareth Chew
County Secretary*

2017-18 CB Age Grade Representative Rugby

On behalf of the County, I would like to thank our coaches and managers of Somerset, sports therapists, senior playing committee members, Bath and Bristol Academies and to those clubs and schools who provided their facilities for training or matches, without their support and hard work, this programme would not have been possible.

A superb response to the call for county nominations from clubs and schools in Somerset has seen over 350 boys and 120 girls aspiring to wear the County shirt either attending CB Development and/or assessment days.

CB U15's & U18's Girls

A new coaching team (Including senior Somerset ladies players) for both squads, put together a program that focussed on developing player empowerment and the fundamentals of Catch, Pass, Tackle over a results at all cost approach. This proved popular with the players.

36 players representing 12 clubs formed this year's u15's squad while the U18's were represented by 11 clubs. A number of players were given the honour of leadership in their matches with many more being given and taking ownership in training sessions.

Both Somerset teams produced some excellent attacking and defensive play in their matches against Dorset & Wilts, Gloucestershire and Cornwall.

24 Somerset U18s players were invited to attend the newly formed RFU Centre of Excellence programmes based in Bristol and Gloucester.

CB U15's & U16s Boys

Continued support from Bristol and Bath academies with training facilities and coaches has provided a positive learning environment for players to experience and enhance their development. Over 140+ players have represented the County (East & West) at these age groups against Bristol Schools, Dorset & Wilts, Cornwall and Devon.

Under 17s & 18s Boys

U17s County squad continues to be a successful grounding for the U18s championship year.

Approx. 60 players have represented this development group with the U18s coaches continuing to mentor and support the U17s coaching team. A triangular round robin day was played with Cornwall and Dorset & Wilts. Standalone fixture took place against Bristol Academy and Gloucestershire.

The U18s championship and squad structure allowed the coaches to introduce a number of U17's who still have another year at this level. The team played some superb rugby against Berkshire and Cornwall.

Congratulations to Lawrence Wort who represented the South West Division at the RFU National Development weekend in Stourbridge.

SOMERSET COUNTY RFU 2017/18 REPORT

“Strengthening clubs and growing the game in the communities around them”

Recruiting New Players

A number of targeted delivery programmes have been agreed and implemented to support those clubs who have identified the need to ‘sustain’ a current senior or youth team with critical numbers and/or have the potential to ‘grow’ a new team. Chard RFC utilised two Inner Warrior campaigns to target specific local community groups to recruit new female players into their ladies squad. The successful recruitment of new players enabled the team to fulfil 10 friendly fixtures across the season, giving the club confidence to enter the RFU league in 2018/19 for the first time. Those ladies giving rugby a try for the first time at Bath Spa University were offered a 12 week block of ‘introduction to rugby’ sessions running alongside the team’s weekly Monday evening training. Bath Ladies RFC supported these sessions and offered all students additional playing opportunities within their senior teams on Sundays. Tor RFC developed links with Crispins School and St Dunstons School, initially supporting the school teachers with their development to provide safe, challenging, fun and sustainable rugby sessions for their pupils. 3 transition events were hosted at the rugby club for both schools offering new/additional playing opportunities for pupils to represent the club on a Sunday morning. The success of the programme has seen Tor RFC recruit over 15 new players across the 2017/18 season and grow two new youth teams. Clevedon RFC enhanced their link with neighbouring Clevedon School to offer girls the opportunity to play rugby for the first time. A huge number of pupils engaged in the clubs offer and through transitioning to the club now run U13s and U15s girl’s rugby. The club didn’t stop there however and continued their promotion of the sport within local community female groups and parents/membership, growing a new ladies team who played 9 friendly fixtures across the season.

Retaining and Developing Players

Hornets RFC took on the challenge of re-engaging their lapsed playing membership and more seasoned senior players to grow a 4th XV under the banner of vet's team. Ben Hall spread the message throughout his former peer group, GMS was used to engage all lapsed players and the club and Ben arranged fixtures on Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons to suit player availability and time commitments. Midsomer Norton RFC re-established their colt's team at the start of the season, a team primarily of U17s players. Chris Rawlings re-engaged all lapsed U18s by offering relevant age group playing opportunities to supplement the colt's team who fulfilled all their league and cup fixtures in their first season. The club have since developed a transition strategy to enhance the progression from U16s to colts and from colts to senior rugby. Winscombe RFC identified an opportunity to grow a 3rd men's XV with a large number of current colt's players and several youth teams with great numbers. The clubs DoR, senior coach colts coaches met to agree a consistent pathway for youth players through to senior rugby including the opportunity to represent senior team for those applicable players when no colt's fixtures were scheduled. The new 3rd XV played 18 fixtures in 2018/19 including their league games and a couple of ad hoc friendlies.

Recruiting and Retaining High Quality Referees, Coaches and Volunteers

Somerset now has 69 Young Rugby Ambassadors volunteering within their local rugby clubs and local communities supporting the growth of the game with a focus on their 16-24 year old peer groups. Accredited clubs training development plans have enabled their coaches, referees and first aiders more opportunities to access the appropriate course for their personal development based on their time commitments. This has seen the highest number of candidates attend award courses and CPD across a season with 577 attending CPD, 158 attended the England Rugby Coaching Award (L2), 31 attending the England Rugby Referees Award (L2) and 68 candidates completing the Emergency First Aid in Rugby Union course.

A huge thank you to those Club Coach Coordinators who have engaged with their RFU Community Rugby Coach to develop their training plan. Club safeguarding officers have continued their efforts to implement and maintain minimum standards across all age groups which contributed to 195 club volunteers attend either the Play it Safe or In Touch course. The growth of the community game is reliant on the time and efforts our wonderful volunteers continue to give each and every season. It has been fantastic to see a number of clubs take advantage of the Mitsubishi Volunteer Reward Scheme and CB Reward Programme to thank those volunteers who contribute so much to their club and the game. Please continue to make use of both schemes throughout the coming months and new season.

Effective and Efficient Facilities

Both Keynsham RFC and Crewkerne RFC utilised RFU Lead up and Legacy Funding to support the build of their new set of 100 lux floodlights. Keynsham RFC scheduled the switching on of their new floodlights to host the Trust PA Rugby Memorial Cup Match on 17th November whilst Crewkerne RFC launched their new lights by hosting Morganians RFC under lights on a Friday evening in January. The new floodlights will allow both clubs to host floodlit fixtures, increase training provision during the week and rotate the usage of their pitches throughout the season. It's all go at Frome RFC over the off season as the club get going with their Social Spaces project. The club will transform their rear function room and bar area into a modern social space all ready for the start of the 2018/19 season. Remember all clubs are eligible to apply for Rugby Football Foundation (RFF) grants which are widely accessible through a streamlined application and offers up to £5000 of funding matched on a pound for pound basis. Thanks and congratulations to the 12 Somerset clubs who took part in this year's NatWest Rugby Force programme with each club attending a local workshop to earn £500 toward their weekend project(s) in preparation for their local community engagements events over the coming months.

Admin and Governance

Wyvern RFC have become the latest club to achieve accredited status joining the 33 Somerset clubs who completed their re accreditation and health checks over the season. Thank you to Somerset RFU president Andy Shorney for making himself available to present the accreditation certificates and plaques to each respective club. The accreditation process helps all clubs sections become stronger, more efficient, more effective and more enjoyable places to play rugby. The process will identify those areas of strength and those areas that require development whilst providing the relevant RFU and CB support to achieve 3 key objectives over the next 12 months. A true highlight of many RDO club conversations has seen the inclusion of the club safeguarding officer on the main club committee and volunteer recognition introduced as a regular committee meeting agenda item.

Now the majority of Somerset clubs have worked hard to ensure they have clean and accurate GMS data we are seeing more and more clubs use the full functionality of the system and its administrative benefits. If any clubs would like further support with GMS please do not hesitate to contact your respective RFU RDO.

Integration with the Local Community

Full credit to both Nailsea & Backwell RFC and Hornets RFC who worked together to ensure the U15s girls across both clubs could continue to train and play regularly throughout the 2017/18 season. Ali O'Connor at N&B RFC identified in the off season that the club would not have enough

players to train and play as an independent U15s girls team. Ali contacted Lee Hutchinson at local club Hornets RFC to establish a one year partnership with their U15s girls to ensure the N&B girls could continue to train and play whilst the club recruited new players in preparation for following seasons. Ali volunteered his time to support the joint venture at Hornets RFC by coaching, aiding the transition from one club to another. Hornets U15s girls played 23 fixtures across the season with all N&B RFC players retained in the game and now set to return to play under the newly bolstered N&B RFC U15s girls' team. An excellent example of two local clubs working together to support the growth of the local game!

*Matt Bray, Jason Luff and Neil Loader
RFU Rugby Development Officers*

COACHING COMMITTEE REPORT

We started the season off in fine mood, we held an acquaint for all our CB appointed coaches and laid out the plans and our expectations for County Rugby Coaches:

County expectations

- Take pride in representing Somerset and wearing the County kit
- Positive, can do attitude
- Friendly, approachable, supportive
- Committed, punctual and organised
- Role modelling (Appropriate behaviour, instilling culture)

As a group we discussed the ideal environment to enable the young players to develop asking,

What Does a Somerset Session Look like?

- ENJOYABLE
- PLAY THE WAY WE TRAIN
- ADAPTABLE - Coach the players not the plan
- FAST – Lots of activity, no standing around
- BALL IN HAND – Catch, pass and run repetition
- GAME BASED – Lots of decisions from all players
- CHALLENGING – Players expected to problem solve & find solutions
- COACHES – To guide and question (Player empowerment)

As a result of this very positive meeting we were able to offer the most consistent structure in recent times and as such we now have a higher level of accountability too. We will review the season with the coaches and make adaptations and improvements where necessary.

The County have provided in the region of £2500 to subsidise coaching courses for our County clubs and the coaches in those clubs. Whether it is general CPD or recognised award courses it will benefit of the players in the county and will be an ongoing commitment from your CB.

We ran a very successful coaching conference which the management committee allowed to be heavily subsidised - over 50 Coaches and Teachers from both inside and outside the County attended the session at King's College, Taunton.

Russell Earnshaw - England U18's Coach - Opened with a keynote speech around his coaching pedagogy.

Former Somerset RDO Nevil Jeffery led a thought provoking 'Let the mind lead the body will follow' session and Gary Townsend and Sean Marsden of Bristol Rugby gave some practical examples of 'Games for understanding'.

I am incredibly grateful to Kings College Lettings Coordinator - Laura Bennett and their ICT Guru Chris Hoad who combined to make the organisation of the event a smooth experience. Thanks must also go to Metro Printing, Webb Ellis Sportswear, Vivilite Lighting and Little Van Rouge Catering for their sponsorship or involvement in proceedings. A final huge thank you to both the coaches that attended and the players from Bristol Developing Player Program who gave up their day for the benefit of the game in Somerset.

Plans are already in place for another conference to be held in 2018 - watch this space.

*Paul Shepherd
Coaching Chairman*

SENIOR PLAYING REPORT SEASON 2017/18

Somerset Men's Under 20's

A real worthwhile few weeks saw Somerset play Devon RFU at Burnham on Sea RFC and Berkshire RFU away at Redengensians RFC. The 20's drew with Devon and lost to Berkshire. This year has again seen the 20's make positive steps forward both on and off the field of play. Again we have seen real potential grow in a Somerset shirt with the challenge of something different having a positive effect. Training saw very good numbers attend and make selection competitive and difficult. A very good performance against Devon at home and a game against a very strong Berkshire side will no doubt have created some good memories and terrific learning opportunities for all those involved to take forward in their rugby lives and back to the clubs they play for. Thank you to both the players and coaching team of Jason Wheatley and Kevin Innals who all worked exceedingly hard in the little time they had together.

Somerset Women's Rugby 2017 / 2018

The rugby that is played by women in the county goes from strength to strength in respect of developing potential, nurturing our ladies philosophy of development but more importantly giving rugby to those that want to try it and play without fear of mistakes.

The coaching team and those ladies we speak to tell us of the positive impact Somerset have on the ladies and the teams they represent both directly and indirectly. This season we saw forty new faces participate in our new and innovative rugby club and district development sessions. One group working in the South of the county at Bridgwater and one in the North at Weston Super Mare. The coaching, empowerment and intent of all involved was fantastic with peers coaching peers and being mentored informally as they did so. New coaches being grown at every opportunity. The subsequent matches and county rugby the players were involved in were inspiring in many, many ways. The ladies participate in the Gill Burns trophy which is aligned to the Bill Beaumont trophy (Men's national RFU county championship). Those ladies had the opportunity play Hertfordshire, Cornwall and Dorset and Wiltshire.

I often see that to some results are everything when looking at reports and hearing conversations from the "energy vampires". Fortunately those involved in the real rugby and sessions "the county ladies game" do understand that learning is key and not performance and each time they put on their kit do so with smiles on their faces and great intent. It was an ambition of mine fulfilled to yet again see the ladies playing on the same day as the men in May at Taunton on a true county rugby day where the ladies played Dorset and Wiltshire.

I must say a special thank you to the Constable family whom have contributed massively to women and girl's rugby in the county this past twelve months. Especially Abbi & Mark. Abbi with her desire to play and grow within coaching as she coaches both her peers and young age grade rugby players of the county. Mark who has given up time to manage, administrate and liaise with me. Always adapting and being flexible. Always ready to help and both "Just" volunteers. Thank You both. Thank you to all that have supported rugby played by women in the county.

Somerset Men's Rugby 2017 / 2018

A frustrating but still an exciting season. An extremely resilient group of players were put together to play in this year's fixtures. It is a struggle to get all players to commit to three more tough, very competitive games. I spoke to 73 players about their availability. I sent over forty invitations to represent the county from the president.

The usual selection issues around cup rugby still plague us and the placing of the Combination cup final between our fixtures didn't help us at all. However as per usual all the fears were blown away with a superb turn out for our first training session. Yes, we didn't have access to all the players we would have liked but that is the way it is now. The fixtures we now play in are truly performance fixtures. They are tough to play in. However there are still expectations from many watching and involved with county rugby. In our first fixture we played a Warwickshire side at Nuneaton that contained a number of Coventry players who had just been promoted to the championship. To the many I talk of with those expectations you must realistically consider when you formulate these expectations where our

players are coming from and far more importantly what rugby they are exposed to each week. I watch many games during a season as the chairman of selectors for this group and see many fine rugby players with lots of potential however our league systems dictate that they are playing at levels appropriate to them and their team. I think that Warwickshire game was a game we should have and could have won. The players in this game were magnificent for 60 minutes playing with 14 men we failed to take a number of early opportunities to score. That Warwickshire team went on to Twickenham to play in the final. Those that played against Warwickshire were surprised to see that. They also felt we could have won. We also played Hampshire and North Midlands in our group. Both challenging tough fixtures. We lost heavily to Hampshire and beat North Midlands convincingly. The coaching group were superb in all they did not just to empower players from a number of different clubs to self-organize but also to observe and analyse and make changes as things happened in real time. Often not appreciated or understood. Thank you to Jason, Kevin, Paul, Steve for all your contributions. In the support of administrative things around senior rugby my thanks go to Gareth Chew in his first year as secretary.

Finally as my journey with senior rugby comes to an end and I step away from a role that I have cared passionately about I reflect proudly. I could not have done it without Jason Wheatley and Paul Shepherd two awesome, good younger people, different and innovative and the support of Steve Arnold when ever it has been needed. The role is one that has continually challenged me. I am very confident that senior rugby on the field of play and its infrastructure is now in a far better place than when I took it over. I have initiated development rugby for both genders, taken it somewhere that county rugby has not been before. Revolutionised it in fact. Developing rugby played by women before it was grasped by the RFU. Accessible development days for all abilities all genders, good quality coaching by well qualified coaches with one agenda, better people, better rugby players. 2017 saw history, the first ever tour by a group of women rugby players from the county to Ireland for the world cup. The men's rugby group have visited France on tour and played rugby at the headquarters of the French federation of rugby, the national rugby centre at Marcoussis. Both great life experiences for those who chose to play for their county. Those life experiences will stay with them always. Social media or as some see it un-social media is far more prevalent and useful for the county. I have removed the payment of un-necessary expenses. I have encouraged anyone at all to come and have a go at representing their county if they want to. I have made it clear to coaches and players that empowering players and being different is fine. Our philosophy for each group is clear and on your county website. I have no doubt and it is continually supported by evidence, that we will see more and more woman playing and coaching in the county and beyond with confidence both in clubs and in county representative rugby. All this has been achieved

through looking forward and the philosophy of RUGBY FOR ALL IF YOU WANT IT, DEVELOPMENT OF POTENTIAL AND BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE.

From that process I have seen many players come from different places to maximise their potential. Some that immediately spring to mind are Jack Claydon, Brett Harvey and Nick Mason at Taunton, Sam Coles, Ollie Streeter, Matt Watkins, Tom Crossman at Weston Super Mare. Alice Edmonds and Bea Chubb at Yeovil RFC, Abbey Constable and Roz Forbes from Hornets RFC, Rosie Wheeler and Sam England at North Petherton RFC they have all brought with them like many others “a desire to be better”

Long may it continue.

*Mark Hawkes
Senior Rugby Chairman*

SOMERSET CUP COMPETITIONS REPORT 2018

Webb Ellis Somerset County Cup

Hornets withstood a late rally and overcome the loss of three men to the sin bin to lift the Webb Ellis Somerset County Cup for a fourth time with a 22-19 victory over the University of Bath.

Having dominated the opening quarter, which was almost exclusively played in the Bath 22, Hornets opened the scoring after 15 minutes when left winger Danny Bailey scored a try in the corner, outside half Jordan Humphris converting from the touchline.

Bath, from the restart, applied their own pressure with their first attack of the evening when hooker James Hadfield broke clear to score a try under the posts which outside half Alex Burrage converted.

No.8 Lewis Brake restored Hornets' lead with a try from a lineout drive, and after Bath lost a prop to the sin bin, scrum-half Sean Disney raced over unopposed for the third try. Humphris converted and Hornets led 19-7 at half-time.

The University of Bath came out with a different game plan in the second half and dominated the third quarter, but their lineout failed to function in the home 22 and some furious Hornets' defence kept them out.

With ten minutes left, two Hornets players were carded in quick succession, and Hadfield created space for winger Harry Close to score a try for Bath. Crucially, Hadfield missed a fairly straightforward conversion attempt.

Hornets attacked straight from the restart and a run by flanker Bailey Jackson earned them a penalty which Humphris goaled. Immediately after this, a third home player was binned, and for a few minutes Hornets only had 12 players on the field.

They were back up to 14 when Bath scored again, Hadfield touching down and converting after a fine solo run. This set up an exciting period of stoppage time, but Hornets controlled the final stages of the game well.

Webb Ellis Somerset County Vase

Wellington were appearing in their third Webb Ellis Somerset County Vase final and lifted the trophy for the second time after a 45-17 victory over Winscombe in a match hosted under lights at North Petherton RFC.

Tries from Liam Phillips, Will Hinchcliffe, Danny Lee, Nev Pitman, Tyler Hart, George Hodgson and Paddy Jarman with Alex Davey converting five of the tries. Winscombe replied with tries from Adam Sinden, Andy Ball and Owen Howells conversion plus a conversion by Ben Irons.

Webb Ellis Somerset County Women's Cup

Bath Ladies 'Babas' retained the Webb Ellis Somerset County Women's Cup with a 13-7 victory over North Petherton Ladies at the Bath Recreation Ground as part of Bath Rugby Foundation's celebration of International Women's Day.

The teams were evenly matched with Bath fielding a mixture of their first and second team players. International referee Clare Daniels took charge of the game having earlier given a talk to those interested in becoming a referee.

Bath came close on a number of occasions only to be halted by some strong Pethy defence and counter-attacking. Bath took the lead through a catch and drive move with No.8 Laura Kelsey getting the touchdown.

Pethy had to play five minutes either side of the half-time break with flanker Janet Dyer in the sin-bin after a high tackle. But Bath were unable to take advantage of the extra player though but added a second try when Pethy were back to full strength.

Hooker Laura Mahoney peeled off the side of a driving maul after a penalty was kicked to touch. Centre Sarah Holloway added a 15-metre penalty but Pethy kept battling and replacement Sarah Cavill powered over the line and Rosie Wheeler added the extras.

Somerset County Junior Cups

The Somerset County Junior Cup finals were all held on the same day on the RFU Artificial Grass Pitch at Hornets RFC. Our thanks to them for hosting the day and the Somerset Referees' Society for providing the match officials for the finals.

The day opened with Taunton lifting the Under 14s final with a 22-19 victory over Walcot but the south Somerset club couldn't repeat that success in the Under 15s final with Wellington were the 20-5 winners.

Winscombe were the 26-19 winners over Keynsham in the Under 16s and,

finally, it was back to winning ways for the Taunton club with a 48-14 victory over Nailsea & Backwell in the Under 18s final.

Competitions & Leagues committee: *Eddie Cooper, Lawrence Davies, Andrew Derry, John Harding, Neil Prescott, Nick Robins, Andy Shorney*

SOMERSET CLUB DEVELOPMENT REPORT 2017/18

Club development activity continues to grow from strength to strength and I have continued to be guided by the feedback received from attending club cluster meetings, liaising with the RFU team and in general listening to clubs who regularly contact me for guidance as to the best way to support with any funding opportunities and to discuss club development initiatives. Through this mechanism the communication with clubs has continued to be strengthened and I am personally very thankful to the clubs who have contacted me or made welcome at visits to see how the funding has assisted club development.

This season we have approved a larger number than before Recruit and Retain grants with some interesting projects to encourage new or returning players and volunteers across the age range. Funding was available for clubs to submit more than one application over the season and it is rewarding to see an increase in the number of clubs applying, although only 10 clubs took advantage of this additional funding, and being pro-active in looking at opportunities to recruit new players and volunteers. We have also supported clubs in the county who have combined with other clubs to form barbarian teams for predominantly girl's rugby, this may be with assistance for playing kit, equipment or promotional material.

Nat West Rugby force funding applications were strong again this season, NatWest is aimed at supporting hard to reach clubs that perhaps haven't previously or can't access other RFU investments. This year there was a big emphasis on Clubs running a Community Event, the successful clubs were supported with a workshop to develop their ideas before the big weekend at the end of June.

The CB continued to fund pitch aeration projects, clubs have registered for a 3 year programme with a sliding scale of funding enabling additional clubs to be involved each year. Following the introduction of a club facilities project report we have also provided small grants of up to £500 towards club development projects and would hope to continue to develop this funding next season as it has proved very supportive of clubs needing assistance.

Any of our clubs would not be able to function without the volunteers that turn up every week and as a CB we are looking for opportunities to say thank you in some way. Events this season have included a coach trip to watch England v Samoa, other volunteers have attended games at Twickenham as well as the CB County games in May. Andy Shorney,

during his visits to clubs in his role as President, has presented volunteers with small gifts as a way of recognising the work that is undertaken behind the scenes. We were also fortunate that volunteers have attended the President's lunches and spent time at England ladies and men training camps, we will continue to nominate volunteers for any event we are aware of. Thanks to the Clubs for providing names for the database but can always have room for more, please e-mail me through the Somerset website. We had a large number of volunteers nominated for the Mitsubishi Volunteer awards and two successful events were hosted by Mitsubishi Motors when the volunteers received their awards and it gave the CB an opportunity to say thank you.

My thanks, as always, to the members of the committee for their continuing support in particular Nick Robins and Paul Box who have assisted throughout the season as members of the club development committee. I am keen, next season, to widen the membership of this committee and would love to hear from club volunteers who would like to be involved.

*Alison Bennett
Somerset Club Development Chair*

SCRFU Discipline Annual Report 2017/18

This season we dealt with 89 cases in total, slightly down on last year with the significant difference being a small decrease in Senior Abuse cases and a slight increase in reported Age Grade Discipline issues. We received two reports from schools matches, one of which was a match abandonment due to poor discipline by both sides.

This season saw further reported cases of Match Official Abuse by Spectators and again more work needs to be done on effective handling and sanctions this time in all cases, the offender was not a member of a club.

The problem of shortfalls in junior and schools reporting is an ongoing issue, and we are going to re-iterate the message to clubs that they must report all age grade discipline issues to us, even if only for referral. We can only ask Schools to co-operate and understand this will be a subject at the July Discipline Conference.

We also saw an increase in the number of Citing's, also Appeals against decisions which were then referred to RFU Discipline. Again, these seem to be on the increase nationwide and an unwelcome trend.

This season also saw a first for Somerset with a case against two senior coaches for breaches of RFU Regulation 15 where under age players were found training with Adults and one was injured during a training session. RFU Discipline handled this one as it was possibly a first ever reported incident.

Our grateful thanks as always to those clubs who have taken the initiative in

correctly handling discipline cases and a further drop in the need for personal appearances so that most cases have been dealt with being dealt with on the "papers" only basis. Clubs have again worked hard to work under the Regulations especially with regard to sanctions and generally we have been able to endorse their own decisions. This has meant few hearings and consequent reduction in travelling and costs.

Recording of cases and sanctions are now being further extended to the GMS system, with the intent being easier identification of offenders to stop any banned player moving around to avoid suspension orders. It is a Work in Progress but next season we will require all clubs to provide RFU ID numbers for all cases, the only hitch being non-member spectators.

There are no significant Discipline Regulation changes to Chapter 19 expected to be issued prior to the start of the new season, though a new Sanction Table comes into force from June 1st which will apply to all offences from that date.

I would like to sincerely thank Des Chalmers, Discipline Chairman, and Eddie Cooper for all their personal support and help especially as both have decided to stand down after so many years you will all join me in acknowledging their tireless work and I shall of course miss working with both so very closely.

My thanks also all the members of the SCRFU Discipline Panel for their help and understanding, also to Larry Davies(SRURS) and Fred Stapleton (BRURS) for their help in co-ordinating referee reporting and actions.

I have been doing this job since 2005/6 and have also decided to stand down as SCRFU Discipline Secretary at the end of this season. Hopefully we shall announce a replacement shortly, and I will hand over to a new Discipline Secretary as soon as possible.

Thank you all for making it so enjoyable

Steve Mead
SCRFU Discipline Secretary

PLAYERS WITH 20 OR MORE APPEARANCES FOR SOMERSET

75	A.J. Spriggs	Bridgwater	42	R. Lye	Bath
73	R. Dibble	Bridgwater	39	H.R. Bastable	Bridgwater
53	D. Tyler	Bristol	38	W.H. Manfield	Yeovil
50	*H.T. Gamlin	Wellington	37	B.A. Tuttiatt	Clifton
50	F.W. Williams	Weston & Som. Police	37	J.T. Timmins	Bath
47	*P.F. Hancock	Wiveliscombe	37	T. Harris	Bridgwater
47	R.T. Orledge	Bristol	37	D.L. Hodge	Bridgwater
46	F.C. Goddard	Taunton	36	W. Gibbs	Weston
45	*F.H. Fox	Wellington	36	P.J. Horton	Bath
45	*F. Soame	Bath	35	R.G.B. Quick	Bristol
45	*H.E. Shrewing	Bristol	35	J. White	Bristol
45	R.A. Gerrard	Bath	34	N. Edmonds	Bridgwater
43	N.W. Matthews	Bath	34	S. Withey	Keynsham

33	G.G. Gregory	Bristol	23	L. Hiron	Keynsham
33	A.M. Bain	Bristol	23	A.F. Kitchen	Bath
33	D. Phillips	Bristol	23	J. Lane	Clifton
32	J.D. Currie	Bristol	23	P.J. Parfitt	Bath
32	*F.E. Hancock	Wiveliscombe	23	*R.M. Parsons	Crewkerne
32	D. St. G. Hazell	Bristol	23	B. Perry	Bath
30	T.J.M. Barrington	Bridgwater & Bristol	23	M. Reece	Taunton
30	J. Jarvis	Bridgwater	23	D.L. Roberts	Somerset Police
30	M. Merry	Wellington	23	A. Shorney	Avon & Som. Police
30	C.J. Vernon	Wellington	23	*V. Slade	Bridgwater
30	H.L.B. Wake	Bath	23	*S.C. Smith	Wellington
30	*S.M.J. Woods	Taunton, Bridgwater and Wellington	23	P. Sprague	Weston-super-Mare
			23	T. Thie	Clevedon
29	J. Scott	Bristol	22	D.J. Snook	Bridgwater
29	P. Stiff	Bristol	22	M.J. Jordan	Taunton
29	A. Webber	Bridgwater	22	*H. Gunningham	Bridgwater
28	M. Westcott	Keynsham	22	A.W. Lillicrap	Bristol
28	G. Williams	Bristol, Somerset & Avon Police	22	D. Coles	Weston
			22	C.W. MacFaydean	Bristol, Loughborough
			22	P. Simmons	Bath
			21	S. Bennett	Weston-super-Mare
28	*H. Winter	Bridgwater	21	J. Blake	Bristol
27	L.W. Bisgrove	Bath, Weston	21	R.G. Collard	Bridgwater
27	*L.C. Griffin	Bristol	21	D.M. Davies	Somerset Police
27	E. Hancock	Wellington	21	M. Fry	Bristol
27	J. Meddick	Bath	21	W.F. Gainsford	Clifton
27	M. Rackham	Bridgwater	21	H.T. Gilmore	Weston
27	H. Sherman	Bristol	21	G.V. Kyrke	Oxford, Taunton
26	R. Hazzard	Weston, Bristol	21	S.C. Luxmore	Clifton, Bath
26	D. Underwood	Newbury	21	P. Norris	Bridgwater
26	*T. Woods	Bridgwater	21	C. Rees	Bridgwater
25	M.C. Beese	Bath	21	F.C. Spriggs	Bridgwater, Blackheath
25	*R. Forrest	Taunton	21	A. Glen	Weston Super Mare
25	E.G. Hopton	Bristol	20	G.C. Bartlett	Bridgwater
25	R. Lee	Bath, Wellington	20	P. Beard	Taunton
25	P. Simmonds	Bath	20	A.R. Challis	Bristol
25	J.K. Watkins	Royal Navy	20	*V.H.M. Coates	Bridgwater, Bath
24	J. Price	Taunton, Bristol	20	T.D. Corpe	Clifton
24	K.C. Smith	Bristol	20	A. Croker	Weston-super-Mare
24	A.V. Twose	Wellington	20	*A.A. Glass	Wellington
24	D.J. Gay	Bath	20	W.E. Hancock	Bath
24	G.G. White	Gloucester	20	J.N. Hazell	Bristol
24	A.O. Lewis	Bath	20	D. Trick	Bath
24	J. Palmer	Bath	20	C.C. Kent	Bridgwater
23	G. Buller	Weston-s-Mare	20	I.W. Macey	Wellington
23	*F.W.C. Coles	Devonport Services	20	D. Masters	Frome
23	S.G.U.	Bath	20	G. Maunder	Wellington
	Considine		20	G. Redmond	Weston
			20	R.T. Robinson	Som. & Bath Police
23	*F.R. Duckworth	Weston	20	J. Sainsbury	Weston
23	*P.J. Ebdon	Wellington	20	H. Vowles	Bath
23	R.V. Grove	Bristol	20	M. Venner	Henley
23	P.P. Hope	Bath	20	C. Rowlands	Old Redingsians
					* = Pre World War I

PAST OFFICERS OF THE UNION

Presidents

1884-1885	E.J. Stanley, M.P.	1984-1985	G.C. Barrett
1885-1891	The M.P.s for the County	1985-1986	A.M. Williams
1891-1901	The Marquis of Bath, K.G.	1986-1987	F.J. Thomas
1901-1902	F.H. Fox	1987-1988	H.R.J. Davies
1902-1903	F. Sloane	1988-1989	T.H. Smith
1903-1905	W.H. Manfield	1989-1990	F.C. Cross
1905-1934	Wm. S. Donne	1990-1991	H.M. Jones
1934-1941	Frank West	1991-1992	W.A. Bishop
1946-1947	T.S. Bradford	1992-1993	H.M. Jones
1947-1955	W.H. Tamlyn	1993-1995	F.J. Ellison
1955-1961	R.G.B. Quick	1995-1997	R.T. Bagg
1961-1964	Arthur House	1997-1999	J.A. Stockwell
1964-1967	H.L. Bradford	1999-2001	B.C.J. Saunders
1967-1969	G.H. Bastable	2001-2003	C. MacDonald
1969-1971	T.R.I. Morrish	2003-2005	B. Durnford
1971-1972	T.J.M. Barrington	2005-2007	M.R. Berry
1972-1973	A.O. Lewis	2007-2009	J.R. Williams
1973-1975	B.A. Tuttiatt	2009-2011	J.P. Whittock
1975-1977	E.J. Garland	2011-2013	J. Hole
1977-1979	A.O. Lewis	2013-2014	D. Smith
1979-1981	W.R.G. Pearce	2014-2016	D. Chalmers
1981-1982	R.A.M. Whyte	2016-2018	A. Shorney
1982-1983	E.G.W. Gunter	2018-	M. Hawkes
1983-1984	J.D. Wooldridge		

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-	G. Chew

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. Growthage
1928-1946	W.H. Tamlyn
1946-1961	Arthur House
1961-1969	T.R.I. Morrish
1969-1979	W.R.G. Pearce
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	1901-1904	H.T. Gamlin
1877-1878	H. Fox	1904-1905	F.W.C. Coles
1878-1879	H.F. Willmott	1905-1906	J.T. Timmins
1879-1881	J.D. Aguilar	1906-1907	R. Dibble / W.M. Perry
1881-1882	H. Massey	1907-1908	G.V. Kyre / T. Woods / H.E. Shewring
1882-1884	H.G. Fuller		
1884-1885	F.E. Hancock		
1885-1888	R.A. Glass	1908-1909	R. Dibble / T. Woods / J.T. Timmins
1888-1893	F.H. Fox	1909-1911	R. Dibble
1893-1896	P.F. Hancock / S.M.J. Woods	1911-1913	V.H.M. Coates
1896-1899	F. Sloane	1913-1914	R. Dibble
1899-1900	G.M. Carey	1914-1920	R. Dibble / J. Jarvis / A. Spriggs
1900-1901	F.A. Leslie Jones	1920-1921	R. Dibble / P.P. Hope / J. Jarvis/

	S.H. Budd	1973-1975	J. White
		1975-1976	D.G. Tyler
1921-1927	R.G.B. Quick	1976-1977	C. Kent
1927-1928	H.B.L. Wake	1977-1978	C.Kent / J. Waterman / J. Ackerman
1928-1930	A.J. Spriggs		
1930-1931	T.D. Corpe		
1931-1932	N.W. Mathews	1978-1979	R. Speed / F. Hartley
1932-1933	G.G. Gregory	1979-1980	G. Parsons
1933-1937	R.A. Gerrard	1980-1981	M. Fry / R. Lye
1937-1938	R.A. Gerrard / F.W. Williams	1981-1985	J. Horton
1938-1939	R.A. Gerrard / F.C. Goddard	1985-1986	S. Jones
1945-1946	J.H. Biley / D.L. Roberts	1986-1987	G. Crane / M. Reece
1946-1947	D.L. Roberts / I.J.M. Lumsden	1987-1988	N. Maslen / J. Horton
1947-1948	D.L. Roberts / F.H. Discombe	1988-1989	C. Lilley
1948-1949	D.L. Roberts/F.H. Discombe/ K. O'Shaughnessy	1989-1990	G. Crane / M. Reece
		1990-1991	M. Reece
		1991-1992	C. Book
1949-1950	A.H. Burcombe	1992-1993	M. Reece
1950-1951	M.D. Corbett	1993-1994	N. Edmonds / S. Withey
1951-1952	M.D. Corbett / A.O. Lewis	1994-1995	J. Bamsey / M. Westcott
1952-1953	A.O. Lewis / B.A. Tuttiett	1995-1996	M. Westcott
1953-1955	B.A. Tuttiett	1996-1998	M. Venner
1955-1956	B.A. Tuttiett / J.W. Collard / J. Blake	1999-2001	M. Pells
		2001-2002	D. Bird
		2002-2003	J. Gordon
1956-1958	J. Blake / H.F.C. Brown	2003-2004	R. Cox
1959-1960	J. Blake	2004-2005	C. Rowlands / M. Stiles
1960-1961	J.D. Currie	2005-2006	G. Cooper / A. Glen
1961-1962	G. Williams / J.D. Currie	2006-2007	M. Styles
1962-1963	J.D. Currie	2007-2008	G. Cooper / M. Denbee
1963-1964	D.St.G. Hazel	2008-2009	M. Rhodes / M. Denbee
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1965-1966	C.W. McFadyean	2010-2011	C. Rowlands
1967-1968	C.W. McFadyean/G.G. White	2011-2012	C. Rowlands
1968-1969	C.W. McFadyean	2012-2013	E. Hack
1969-1970	G.P. Francombe	2013-2014	E. Hack
1970-1971	J.S. Waterman	2014-2015	E. Hack
1971-1972	B.A. Dovey	2016-2017	B. Harvey
1972-1973	R.D.H. Bryce / M.C. Beese	2018-	L. Appleton / C. Lynch / S. Williams

Women's Captains

2015-16	Sinead Boys / Daisy Travers
2016-17	Alice Edmonds / Holly Edmonds / Rici Brown / Roz Forbes
2017-18	Abbey Constable / Esme Bird

SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION RUGBY FOOTBALL MUTUAL BENEFIT FUND

The fund, founded by the late Tom Lean of Plymouth in 1920 is administered by official representatives of Cornwall, Devon, Gloucestershire 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 due 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).
2. This year the RFU will pay for the Compulsory and Public/Employers Liability direct. The fund have 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 D.H.S.S.
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,

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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:

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

CLAIMS PROCEDURE

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.

***This is YOUR FUND for YOUR BENEFIT
and can only succeed with YOUR co-operation.***

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SOMERSET KNOCK-OUT CUP

SOMERSET KNOCK-OUT CUP FINALS

1970-71	Bath	13	Somerset Police	08
1971-72	Bath	13	Somerset Police	08
1972-73	Bridgwater & Albion	15	Old Redcliffians	09 (a.e.t)
1973-74	Bath	22	Weston-super-Mare	03
1974-75	Bath	41	Old Redcliffians	03
1975-76	Bath	22	Weston-super-Mare	07
1976-77	Bridgwater & Albion	18	Old Redcliffians	06 (replay)
1977-78	Avon & Som. Police	13	Combe Down	10
1978-79	Weston-super-Mare	14	Midsomer Norton	09
1979-80	Midsomer Norton	09	Bridgwater & Albion	06
1980-81	Weston-super-Mare	14	Old Redcliffians	06
1981-82	Keynsham	06	Old Redcliffians	03
1982-83	Bath	39	Old Redcliffians	10
1983-84	Old Redcliffians	22	Keynsham	03
1984-85	Old Redcliffians	28	Gordano	03
1985-86	Taunton	22	Combe Down	13
1986-87	Old Culverhaysians	16	Weston-super-Mare	13
1987-88	Combe Down	25	Old Culverhaysians	12
1988-89	Combe Down	10	Taunton	12
1989-90	Midsomer Norton	10	Old Redcliffians	06
1990-91	Combe Down	13	Old Culverhaysians	12
1991-92	Bridgwater & Albion	18	Weston-super-Mare	07
1992-93	Bridgwater & Albion	21	Old Redcliffians	05
1993-94	Clevedon	10	Bridgwater & Albion	15
1994-95	Hornets	14	Keynsham	12
1995-96	Bridgwater & Albion	12	Weston-super-Mare	11
1996-97	Bridgwater & Albion	26	Hornets	15
1997-98	Clevedon	10	Keynsham	36
1998-99	Bridgwater	27	Keynsham	21
1999-2000	Old Redcliffians	23	Gordano	06
2000-01	Bridgwater & Albion	20	Clevedon	21
2001-02	Weston-super-Mare	29	Walcot	06
2002-03	Weston-super-Mare	41	Clevedon	17
2003-04	Weston-super-Mare	17	Bridgwater & Albion	09
2004-05	Bridgwater & Albion	53	Clevedon	0
2005-06	Bridgwater & Albion	29	Hornets	20
2006-07	Weston-super-Mare	33	Bridgwater & Albion	07
2007-08	Taunton	48	Clevedon	18
2008-09	Bristol Harlequins	22	Weston-super-Mare	53
2009-10	Taunton	08	Weston-super-Mare	15
2010-11	Weston-super-Mare	41	Clevedon	19
2011-12	North Petherton	12	Clevedon	09
2012-13	Weston-super-Mare	33	Old Redcliffians	32
2013-14	Old Reds	30	North Petherton	16
2014-15	Wells	14	Hornets	30
2015-16	Weston-super-Mare	27	Hornets	31
2016-17	Weston-Super-Mare RFC	33	Clevedon	19
2017-18	Hornets	29	University of Bath	19

THE SOMERSET R.F.U. KNOCK-OUT CUP COMPETITION REGULATIONS 2018-2019

DEFINITIONS

Club	means a club entitled under Regulation 3.1 to take part in the Competitions
Committee	means the Competitions Sub-Committee of the County Union
Competitions Administrator	means the person to whom the Committee delegate the administration of the Competitions
County Union	means the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Limited
Home Club	is defined by Regulations 4.1.2 and 4.1.3
R.F.U.	means the Rugby Football Union
Society	means the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Referees 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 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.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND MATCH TICKETS:

1. 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 shall 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 standard 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 Honorary Secretary not later than 30th April in each year.

4. OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBER CLUBS: All Clubs in membership are required to abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Rugby Football Union.

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 Honorary Secretary of the Constituent Body. All changes in Secretaries and any changes in addresses must be advised to the Honorary 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 that he complies 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 1 hoops with white collar) and black shorts. A player who plays in his 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, he shall be awarded a County blazer badge.

When a player has played in twenty County Championship or other matches recognised by the Committee, he 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 his 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 Honorary 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 General Meeting, by the Chairman 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 General 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 Honorary Secretary of the Constituent Body, shall be brought before the meeting for ratification or otherwise.

SOMERSET KNOCK-OUT VASE

SOMERSET KNOCK-OUT VASE FINALS

2005-06	Minehead Barbarians	6	St Bernadettes	12
2006-07	Midsomer Norton	32	Wellington	26
2007-08	Avon	18	Wells	56
2008-09	Tor	16	Burnham on Sea	15
2009-10	Bristol Harlequins	11	Wells	6
2010-11	Wellington	13	Stoother & Pitt	0
2011-12	Old Bristolians	7	Gordano	31
2012-13	Chew Valley	16	Gordano	8
2013-14	Chew Valley	31	Bristol Harlequins	24
2014-15	Midsomer Norton	25	Bristol Harlequins	22
2015-16	Yatton	62	Tor	17
2016-17	Tor	21	Yeovil	19
2017-18	Wellington	45	Winscombe	17

THE SOMERSET R.F.U. JUNIOR KNOCK-OUT CUP COMPETITIONS - REGULATIONS 2018 - 2019 SEASON

DEFINITIONS:

Committee	means the County Union's Competitions Sub-Committee
Competitions Administrator	means the person to whom the Committee delegate the administration of a Competition
County Union	means the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Limited
Home Club	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 Referees Society Limited
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.
World Rugby Regulations	means the Resolutions and Regulations relating to the game promulgated by World Rugby from time to time

1 DESCRIPTION & FORM:

1.1 All matches shall be played under the World Rugby Laws of the Game (as appropriate to the Age Grade) and the Regulations of the World Rugby and the RFU 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.

1.2 All matches in each Competition shall be played on Sundays determined by the Committee. Clubs may mutually agree to play a match (other than a semi-final or final) prior to any fixed date and on any other day of the week.

1.2.1 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 as the case may be.

1.3 Matches shall be played on the ground of the club drawn first in each round except for the finals which shall be played on neutral grounds to be determined by the Committee.

1.4 A Home club is responsible for the correct and clear marking of its pitch and must make proper provision to ensure (that with the exception of touch judges, fourth official, Registered Medical Practitioner or other suitably medically qualified person and one water carrier from each team) all spectators, coaches replacements and others are kept a proper distance from the field of play.

2 ORGANISING COMMITTEE:

2.1 The Competitions shall be organized 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 Competition Administrator.

2.3 Decisions of the Committee or the Competitions Administrator shall be final and binding.

3 ELIGIBILITY OF CLUBS & PLAYERS:

3.1 All clubs in membership of the County Union 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.

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 provided that they are under the relevant age at midnight on 31st August.

3.4.1 Players must be properly registered under the Rugby Union's Youth Registration Scheme (as administered by the County Union) or hold Effective Registration (as the case may be) with the team/club for which they play.

3.4.2 Any club wishing to enter a Competition shall provide to the Competition Administrator a list of its Registered Players no later than the date specified on the entry form.

3.4.3 Prior to any match in any Competition all players' Registration Lists shall be mutually inspected by the coach (es)/team manager(s) of each team and unjustifiable failure to produce such cards 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.

3.5 Clubs shall not be represented by a player who has played for another club in any Competition.

3.6 A maximum of seven replacements are allowed in any match.

4 MATCH OFFICIALS:

4.1 The Society shall wherever possible appoint a referee for each match plus two touch judges for the finals.

4.2 Any club entering any Competition will nominate at least one person (who shall hold an RFU refereeing qualification) to be available to referee matches between teams other than those involving a team from his own club.

5 DETERMINATION OF MATCH RESULTS:

5.1 If the scores in a match (other than a final) are level at the end of normal playing time the following shall apply:-

- the team that scored the more/most tries shall be the winner but
- if this does not produce a result, the team that scored the more/most goals from tries shall be the winner.

5.2 If the scores in a final are level at the end of normal playing time and neither a. or b. above 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.

6 NOTIFICATION OF MATCH RESULTS:

6.1 Results of all matches in the any Competition (save for the finals) shall be notified to the Competitions Administrator within 48 hours of the end of the match.

7 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.

8 KICK-OFFS AND DELAYED ARRIVALS:

8.2 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 2.30pm 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.

9 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 a complaint or dispute must reach the Competitions Administrator within 72 hours after the initial notification and shall set out fully the nature of the complaint or dispute. The Committee shall have full power to determine any such matter (using any procedure in its absolute discretion it considers appropriate) and it may decline to investigate any such matter if it considers doing so to be in the best interest of the Competition generally or the game of Rugby Football.

10 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 acceptable 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 Divisional Organiser or RFU Rugby Events & Competitions Department 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.

11 REMINDERS:

11.1 Trophies must be returned to the Competitions Administrator no later than 1st April.

11.2 Clubs must ensure that all teams are insured in accordance with RFU Guidelines.

11.3 Subject to confirmation the Finals will be held on the date specified on the entry form, venue to TBA.

12 NOTES:

12.1 The Age Grade Rugby Regulations can be found in the current RFU Handbook p.245 et seq.

12.2 Effective Registration is defined on p.235 of the same Handbook.

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ENGLISH CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP

SOUTH WEST LEAGUES 2018 - 2019 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 lays 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 in the RFU Handbook. 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 Somerset Season 2018/19

The regulations relating to the playing of league rugby in Somerset will be modified in so far as matches played at Level 8 (Somerset Premier League) 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:

1. 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 Divisional Organising Committee (SWDOC), who shall consider the advice of the Somerset County RFU Limited (SCRFU).
2. A second, third or lower team may not be promoted above Level 8. In the

event of such a team winning the Level 8 league or getting into a Play Off position then the next highest placed eligible side in that league shall, subject to the agreement of SWDOC, take its place.

3. At Levels 8 & 9 all players must be registered with their club in accordance with the Player Registration Regulations, with the exception at Level 9 two unregistered players may play under RFU Regulation 13.4.1(b).

4. At Level 10 and below 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 or above.

5. Notwithstanding point 4 above clubs at all levels are encouraged to continue to register their players.

6. If a team at level 10 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.

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 SWDOC; who in reaching their decision shall consider advice from SCR FU. 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 or below the captains may agree prior to a match to more than 3 replacements being used by the teams in any match. At Level 10 and below teams with surplus players are encouraged to lend the opposition surplus players to make up even numbers per side.

10. At Level 10 and below match result cards must be completed and posted to The South West Admin Office in accordance with the SWDOC Administrative Instructions although the names of participating players may be omitted.

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 SWDOC (having taken advice from the SCRUFU) 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 SWDOC (having taken advice from SCRUFU) reserves the power to make appropriate arrangements to fulfil those objectives.

13. Providing it is otherwise possible under these regulations and SWDOC agrees then the winners of Somerset 2 (North & South) shall be promoted to Somerset 1 and the bottom two placed sides in that league relegated. The winners of Somerset 3 (North & South) shall be similarly promoted to Somerset 2 (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.

14. The League Secretaries of Somerset Premier, Somerset 1, Somerset 2 (North & South) and Somerset 3 (North & South) shall be appointed from nominees submitted by SCRUFU.

AFFILIATED CLUBS

MEMBER CLUBS BY DIVISIONS

Division A (18)

Avon; Avonvale; Bath RFC; Bath Rugby Ltd; Bath Combination; Bath Old Edwardians; 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 (8)

Bristol Combination; Bristol Harlequins; Bristol Barbarians; Imperial; Old Bristolians; Old Redcliffians; St. Bernardette's Old Boys; St. Brendan's Old Boys.

Division D (11)

Blake Bears, Bridgwater & Albion; Burnham-on-Sea; 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 2018 - 2019

Avon RFC

(Founded 1925)

League: 1st Team - Somerset Premier, 2nd Team - Bath Merit Table.

Club Address: Hicks Field, London Road, Bath BA1 7DA (T: 01225 852446)

Club Website: www.avonrfc.com

Chairman: Ian Ayres, 74 Lower Oldfield Park, Bath BA2 3HP (M: 07866 603978; E: iayres@ima-tp.com)

Secretary: Paul Kirby, 10 Badminton Gardens, Bath BA1 2XS (M: 07904 967704; E: paul@kirbyweb.co.uk)

Treasurer: Paul Kirby, 10 Badminton Gardens, Bath BA1 2XS (M: 07904 967704; E: paul@kirbyweb.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Chris Mutlow, (M: 07737 276261; E: chris_mutlow@yahoo.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Kane Book (M: 07817 220418; E: kcbath@aol.com)

Referees Contact: Chris Mutlow, (M: 07737 276261; E: chris_mutlow@yahoo.co.uk)

Club Coach: Kai Harwood, (M: 07949 176612; E: avonkai2.kh@gmail.com)

Colours: Black / Yellow

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.

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

Avonvale RFC

(Founded 1883)

League: 1st Team - Dorset and Wilts Division 1 North, 2nd Team - Bath Merit Table.

Club Address: Bathford Playing Fields, Bathford, BA1 7SN (T: 01225 858295)

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/avonvale

Chairman: Mr Martin Bath, 30 Forrester Green, Colerne, Wilts SN14 8EB (H: 01225 341182; M: 07831 600314; E: martin.bath@dsc.com)

Secretary: Kevin Hall, 17 Osprey Close, Bowerhill, Melksham SN12 6XY (H: 01225 341182; M: 07766 504899; E: kevin.hall@alpine.co.uk)

Treasurer: Jayne Hobbs, 1 Elm Road, Colerne, Wilts SN14 8QB (H: 01225 744309; M: 07469 858946; E: jhobbs@mjchurch.com)

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Club Coach: Kevin Moggridge, 41 Mountainwood, Bathford, Bath BA1 7RZ (M: 07380 535190; E: kev.moggridge@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Chris Hobbs, 1 Elm Road, Colerne, Wilts, SN14 8QB (H: 01225 744309; M: 07595 863625; E: hob27@aol.com)

Colours: Navy Blue & White Hoops, 2nd Choice: Red

Directions to ground: From Bath follow the A4 to the roundabout with the A363 take road for Bradford on Avon, go under railway tunnel and bear left up Bathford

Hill. The main pitch is on the left opposite 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: 1st XV, 2nd XV, U19, U18, U16, U12, Mini.

Bath RFC

(Founded 1865)

League: 1st RFUW Championship South West 2.

Club Website: <http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/Bath RFC>

Club Office: Lambridge Rugby Ground, BA1 6BD

Chairman: Danny Sacco (E: chair@bathrfc.co.uk)

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

Treasurer: Mark Edwards, Castle Farm, Midford, Bath BA2 7BU

(W: 01225 330044;)

Fixtures Secretary: NA Contact age groups

Referee Contact: Mark Donovan

Club Coach: Peter Morgan (E: petermorgan@tpkmanagement.co.uk)

Junior & Youth Secretary: Mark Donovan

Ladie: Sarah Burgess (E: sarah@bathrugbyladies@hotmail.co.uk)

Minis: Jason Bye

Colours: Blue, black & white.

Ground: Lambridge Rugby Ground, BA1 6BD. On main A4 London Road just off A46/A4 roundabout, approx 1.5 miles east of city centre.

Teams: 1st Women's, 2nds Women's, U18, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini

Bath Rugby Ltd

(Founded 1865)

League: 1st, Aviva Premiership; 2nd, "A" League

Club Website: www.bathrugby.com

Club Office: Farleigh House, Farleigh Hungerford, Bath BA2 7RW.

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Managing Director: Tarquin McDonald

Rugby Operations Manager: Sophie Bennett

(E: sophiebennett@bathrugby.com)

Ladies: E: bathrugbyladies@hotmail.co.uk

Academy Manager: Andy Rock (E: andyrock@bathrugby.com)

Club Colours: Blue, black & white. 2nd Choice of Colours: Blue, black, white & yellow hoops.

Ground: The Recreation Ground, Spring Gardens (just off Great Pulteney Street), Bath BA2 6PW (01225 469230). M4 junction 18 to Bath taking A4 into City Centre.

Bath Combination

(Founded 1901)

Chairman: Ben Hartley, 4 Townsend, Gt. Cheverell, Wilts. SN10 5TL (H: 01380 813687)

Secretary: Steve White, 48 Blackmore Drive, Southdown, Bath, BA2 1JN (H: 01225 312393; M: 07740 404372; E: steve.white@boltongate.co.uk)

Treasurer: Vernon Edwards, 1 Baytree Road, Fairfield Park, Bath, BA1 6NA (H: 01225 426971)

Bath Old Edwardians

(Founded 1926)

League: 1st, Somerset 1; 2nds Bath Merit Table

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/batholdedwardians

Chairman: Jim Edmunds, Belle Vue Gardens, Gloucester Road, Bath, BA1 8BG
(M: 07962 041451; E: jimedmunds21@hotmail.com)

Secretary: Andy Todd, 22 Bailbrook Lane, Bath (M: 07980 505585; E: andrew.todd@vercoglobal.com)

Treasurer: Richard Shipp, 4 Spring Vale, Larkhall, Bath BA1 6AH
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Fixtures Secretary: Nick Tumber, 3 Aspen House, Stratton on the Fosse, Radstock, BA3 4RW (M: 07834 047302; E: nick.tumber@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: as Fixtures Secretary

Coach: Jason Bye, 15a Westwood Road, Trowbridge, Wilts, BA14 9BR(M: 07989 500123; E: mrjbye@gmail.com)

Junior & Youth Secretary: c/o Club Secretary

Club Colours: Maroon, gold and navy blue.

Ground: King Edward's School Playing Field, Bathampton. Leave Bath on A4 towards Chippenham; before Batheaston, turn right at sign to Bathampton. Cross toll bridge and continue past George pub, over canal bridge, ground on left hand side.

Teams: 1st,2nds

Bath Saracens RFC

(Founded 1947)

League: 1st Team - D&W III(N).

Club Address: The Sulis Club, Claverton Down, Bath BA2 7AU (All correspondence to the Secretary)

Club Website: www.bathsaracens.co.uk

Chairman: Mr David Pyles, 237 Wellsway, Bath BA2 4RZ (H: 01225 311885; M: 07377 655694; E: pylsesy@gmail.com)

Secretary: Mr Jim Biss, 4, St Matthews Place, Widcombe, Bath BA2 4JJ (H: 01225 311885; M: 07899 923173; E: jimbiss@live.co.uk)

Treasurer: Mr Mark Boxall, 9 Greenway Lane, Bath BA2 4LJ (E: markboxallx@hotmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Robbie Lawrence, 91 Englishcombe Lane, Bath, BA2 2EH (H: 01225 427356; M: 07802 797756; E: robbie.lawrence21@btinternet.com)

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Club Coach: Mr Dean Taylor

Colours: Navy Blue, Cardinal Red, Gold

Directions to ground: Situated on Claverton Down Road on the South Side of Bath, between Ralph Allen School and Wessex Water Board.

Teams: 1st XV.

Bath Spa University RFC

(Founded 1981)

League: Men's 1st Team - BUCS, Western 3B, Men's 2nd Team - (New Team), Women's 1st Team - BUCS, Western 3B.

Club Address: Bath Spa University, Newton Park, BA2 9BN

Club Website: www.bathspa.co.uk

Chairman: Mr Colin Clarke, Bath Spa University, Newton Park, BA2 9BN (Work: 01225 876160; E: su-sport@bathspa.co.uk)

Secretary: Mr Colin Clarke, Bath Spa University, Newton Park, BA2 9BN (Work: 01225 876160; E: su-sport@bathspa.co.uk)

Treasurer: Mr Colin Clarke, Bath Spa University, Newton Park, BA2 9BN (Work: 01225 876160; E: su-sport@bathspa.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Mr Colin Clarke, Bath Spa University, Newton Park, BA2 9BN (Work: 01225 876160; E: su-sport@bathspa.co.uk)

Colours: Blue & White

Directions to ground: The the 2nd exit at the Globe Inn roundabout from Bath campus, entrance is immediatly on your left, follow the driveway all the way until the end.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Women's.

Blake Bears RFC

(Founded 1994)

League: 1st Team - Sunny Side (Combination), 17 - 60 years.

Club Address: Beggar's Brooke, TA6 6NW (T: 01278 663028)

Colours: Red & Black

Directions to ground: Just outside North Petherton on way to Taunton A38. Heading from North M5, take Junction 24, then A35 to Taunton, heading from South take Junction 24 and then take A35 to Taunton.

Teams: 4th XV, Vets. We are a Sunday Team and get from 17 Years to 50's.

Bridgwater & Albion

(Founded 1875)

League: 1st Team - South West 1, 2nd Team - Somerset 1, 3rd Team - Somerset 2 South.

Club Address: College Way, Bath Road, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 4TZ (T: 01278 428900; Fax: 01278 446608)

Club Website: www.barfc.co.uk

Chairman: To be appointed by the committee - Aug 18, (H: 01278 428900)

Secretary: Danielle Staples, (M: 07896 797665; E: secretary@barfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Via President, (H: 01278 4230098; E:

mrb@maxwellsaccountants.co.uk)

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Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Linnie-Anne Wallis (M: 07764 776971; E: linrugby68@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: Bill Russell, (M: 07734 566056; E: fixtures@barfc.co.uk)

Club Coach: Wayne Sprangle & Richard Bright, All c/o B&ARFC Ltd, College Way, Bath Road Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 4TZ (H: 01278 428900)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Clair Luce (E: luce_claire@hotmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair: Matt Ranson (E: matt@barfc.co.uk)

Colours: Red, Amber & Black 2nd Choice of Colours: White & Black

Directions to ground: From centre of Bridgwater take A39 Glastonbury - ground on right after railway bridge, M5 (jctn 23) take A39 Glastonbury, turn right at lights - follow A39 Bridgwater - ground on left before railway bridge.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Women's, U18, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Bristol & District Rugby Football Combination

(Founded 1901)

Club Website: www.bristolcombination.pitchero.com

Secretary: A. E. (Tony) Swash. 101, Druid Stoke Avenue, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS9 1DE (H: 01179 629047; M: 07970 433156; E: tonyswash@hotmail.com)

Treasurer: Terry Tovey, Rockleaze House, 91 Gloucester Road North, Filton Park, Bristol BS34 7PT (M: 07976 678202; E: terry@rockleazehouse.co.uk)

Fixtures Exchange Secretary: See via Bristol Combination website or contact Alan Stanton (H: 01209 711607; M: 07825 190287; E: georgestanton1@btinternet.com)

Ground: Meetings are held at Lockleaze Sports Centre, Off Bonnington Walk, Lockleaze, Bristol BS7 9FJ, on every 2nd Tuesday of each month, throughout the season at 19:30 (7:30pm).

Bristol Barbarians RFC

(Founded 1998)

League: 1st Team - Somerset Premier, 2nd Team - Somerset 2 North.

Club Address: Norton Lane, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0BT (T: 07876 735153)

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

Chairman: Anthony Hand, C/O Bristol Barbarians RFC, Norton Lane, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0BT (H: 0117 907140; M: 07757 301897; E: ajhand@blueyonder.co.uk)

Secretary: Brendan Murphy, 59 Berkley Road, Bishopston, Bristol BS7 8HQ (E: brendan@365bristol.com)

Treasurer: John Bane, 87 St Francis Road, Keynsham, BS31 2EA (M: 07815 794701; E: m.bane@sky.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Ian Hillier, 38 Grangeville Close, Longwell Green, Bristol BS30 9YJ (M: 07968 041606; E: ian.hillier@ee.com)

Referees Contact: Ian Hillier, 38 Grangeville Close, Longwell Green, Bristol (M: 07968 041606; E: ian.hillier@ee.com)

Colours: 1st Choice - Black & White Hoops. 2nd Choice - Orange

Directions to ground: Leaving Bristol on the A37 at Whitchurch, go over a hump-backed bridge. Norton Lane is first right, ground is first gate on right.

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

Bristol Harlequins

(Founded 1926)

League: 1st Team - Somerset Premier, 2nd Team - Gloucestershire Bristol District, League 3.

Club Address: Valhalla, Broomhill Road, Brislington, Bristol BS4 5RG (T: 01179 721650)

Club Website: www.bristolharlequins.com

Chairman: Richard Hill, 25 The Crest, Bristol BS4 3JB (M: 07958 582298; E: chairman@bristolharlequins.com)

Secretary: Sam Beresford, 23 Monkton Road, Hanham, Bristol BS15 3JF (M: 07720 202310; E: secretary@bristolharlequins.com)

Treasurer: Tony Watts, 72 Lyppiatt Road, Bristol BS5 9HL (M: 07766 090584; E: treasurer@bristolharlequins.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Mark Ralph, 52 West Park Road, Bristol BS16 5SJ (M: 07828 333184; E: info@bristolharlequins.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Amy Newman (M: 07535 400590; E: amy.newman2210@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: Mark Ralph, 52 West Park Road, Bristol BS16 5SJ (M: 07828 333184; E: info@bristolharlequins.com)

Club Coach: Chris Page, (E: development@bristolharlequins.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Jenny Anderson, (M: 07535 400590; E: ja@qed-engineering.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Adie Smith-Hayes (M: 07818 451016; E: juniors@bristolharlequins.com)

Colours: Blue, Black & White hoops

Directions to ground: Entering Bristol on A4 northwards, turn right at Park & Ride and right again at McDonalds. 2nd gate on right and sharp left up lane.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Women's, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Burnham-on-Sea RFC

(Founded 1885 / 1947)

League: 1st Team - Somerset Premier, 2nd Team - Somerset Two South.

Club Address: BASC, Stoddens Road, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset TA8 2DX (T: 01278 788355)

Club Website: burnhamonsearfc.org

Chairman: Gilly Hicks, (M: 07814 663395)

Secretary: Julie Cameron, 59 Stoddens Road, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset TA8 2DB (M: 07711 566753; E: tickleyourtastebuds@hotmail.co.uk)

Treasurer: Don Bowerman (M: 07522 196889; E: donald.bowerman1@gmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Chris Jones (M: 07817 528996; E: chrismjones@hotmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Zoe Cahill, (E: zoecahill@hotmail.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Chris Jones (M: 07817 528996; E: chrismjones@hotmail.com)

Club Coach: Kevin Innals

Mini & Junior Secretary: Zoe Cahill, (E: zoecahill@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Paul Mills (M: 07733 267985; E: millsp.pm@gmail.com)

Colours: Blue & White

Directions to ground: Leave motorway M5 at junction for Burnham-on-Sea, take the 2nd exit on the roundabout, follow road Queens Drive to next roundabout and take 3rd exit follow road for about half a mile and the BASC sports ground, Burnham Rugby Club is on the right-hand side.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Butleigh Amateur RFC

(Founded 1976)

League: 1st Team.

Club Address: Kingweston Park, Nr. Somerton, Somerset TA11 6BD. On the B£153 between Somerton and Keinton Mandeville (T: 01458 850287)

Chairman: Paul Reed, Millfield School, Butleigh Road, Street, Somerset BA6 0YD (E: reedy_p@hotmail.com)

Secretary: H C Harding, 10 The Cheviots, Overbury Road, Parkstone, Dorset BH14 9JL (H: 01202 733694; E: harding588@btinternet.com)

Treasurer: Susanna Maunder, Peace Close Cottage, Kingsweston, Somerton, Somerset TA11 7BD (E: suzie_maunder87@hotmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Paul Reed, Millfield School, Butleigh Road, Street, Somerset BA6 0YD (E: reedy_p@hotmail.com)

Referees Contact: Paul Reed, Millfield School, Butleigh Road, Street, Somerset BA6 0YD (E: reedy_p@hotmail.com)

Colours: Multi.

Teams: 1st XV.

Castle Cary

(Founded 1888)

League: 1st, Somerset 2 South.

Club Website: www.castlecaryrfc.rfu.club

Club Address: Brook House Field, Alhampton, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7PF (01963 351178)

Chairman: Karen Travers, 11 Clarks Meadow, Shepton Mallet, Somerset, BA4 4FD (M: 07799 506898; E: :traverska44@gmail.com)

Secretary: Toni Ditty, 22 Cuckoo Hill, Bruton, BA10 0AF (M: 07930 417629; E: toniditty@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Sharon Willoughby, 1 Court Cottages, Weston Street, Buckhorn Weston, Dorset, SP8 5HJ (H:01963 370854; M: 07969 937752; E: p.collins825@btinternet.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Gareth Watts, 15 Woodford Green, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7LD (M: 07894 86202 E: gareth-2705@hotmail.co.uk)

Referee Contact: Gareth Watts, 15 Woodford Green, Castle Cary, Somerset BA7 7LD (M: 07894 86202 E: gareth-2705@hotmail.co.uk)

Junior & Youth Secretary: Karen Travers, 11 Clarks Meadow, Shepton Mallet,

Somerset, BA4 4FD (M: 07799 506898; E:traverska44@gmail.com)

Club Colours: Red and black hoops.

Ground: The ground is located off the A371, approx. 2 miles from Castle Cary town centre in the direction of Bristol/Bath.

Teams: 1st, U18, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini

Chard

(Founded 1876)

League: 1st Western Counties West; 2nd, Somerset 2 South.

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/chardrfc

Chairman: Gavin Smilie, Atom Fabs, Chard RFC, Atom House, Millfield Industrial Estate, Chard, Somerset TA20 2BB (W: 01460 67402; M: 07772 225263; E: gavin@atomfabs.co.uk)

Secretary: Mike Berry, 7 Holbear Grange, Chard, Somerset TA20 2ED (M: 07855 464412; E: Mike@pmbi.co.uk)

Treasurer: Nigel Tinley, 14 St Helliars Road, Chard, Somerset TA20 1LL (W: 01460 67402; M: 07966 170814 E: accounts@atomfabs.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Mark Wesemann, 2 Bubwith Road, Chard, Somerset TA20 2BN (H: 01460 63165 M: 07714 149245; E: wesemann.Freeserve.uk)

Referees Contact: as Fixtures Secretary

Director of Rugby: Steve Broome

Junior & Youth Secretary: Tara Smilie, 31 Linkhay Orchard, South Chard, Chard, Somerset TA20 2QR (M: 07775 580241, H: 01460 2200060, W: 01460 30044; E: tarasmillie@btinternet.com)

Club Colours: Black, with red and gold hoops, 2nd Choice of Colours: White/blue hoops

Ground: The Park, Essex Close, Chard (01460 62495). Bottom of Chard High Street (by Wetherspoons – The Cerdic), 100 yds. up Essex Close. (2nd & 3rd Pitches: Crewkerne Road, Chard, approx 2 miles out on A30 towards Crewkerne.)

Teams: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, U18, U16, U14, U12, U11, Mini

Cheddar Valley RFC

(Re-founded 1963)

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

Club Address: Sharpham Road, Cheddar, Somerset BS27 3DR

Club Website: www.cheddar-rugby.co.uk

Chairman: Neville Holmes, Rockholme, Barrows Road, Cheddar, Somerset BS27 3BD (M: 07584 575916; E: nev_holmes@hotmail.com)

Secretary: Simon Charles, 10 Dunstan Way, Cheddar, Somerset (E: simoncharles10@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Jeremy Parrott, Beechcroft, Hannay Road, Cheddar, Somerset BS27 3LJ (M: 07710 982363; E: jeremyp25@me.com)

Senior Fixtures Secretary: Kay Corbett, 2 Chestnut Avenue, Axbridge, Somerset BS26 2BS (M: 07852 704940; E: kaycorbo87@gmail.com)

Juniors Fixture Secretary: Neville Holmes, Rockholme, Barrows Road, Cheddar, Somerset BS27 3BD (M: 07584 575916; E: nev_holmes@hotmail.com)

Mini's Fixture Secretary: Steve Cayford (M: 07718 155181; E: steve.cayford@yahoo.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Alistair Ross (M: 07594 668638; E: alid.ross@tiscali.co.uk)

Club Coach: Jed Franklin (M: 07763 179405)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Simon Charles, 10 Dunstan Way, Cheddar, Somerset (E: simoncharles10@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Chris Masters (M: 07739 091756; E: cmmasters65@gmail.com)

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Women's, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Chew Valley RFC

(Founded 1969)

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

Club Address: Lobbingtons, Chew Lane, Chew Stoke, Bristol BS40 8UE (T: 01275 333660)

Chairman: Shane Cameron, Sunny Bank, Church Lane, Bishop Sutton, Bristol BS39 5AX (M: 07798 698078; E: shanec@farmington.co.uk)

Joint Secretary: Adrian Miller, Chan Dor, Upper Stanton, Stanton Drew, Bristol BS39 4EQ (H: 01275 332456; M: 07717 313193; E: adrian@milgrange.co.uk)

Joint Secretary: Vivienne McKay-Hope, The Hill House, 31 Currells Lane, Felton, Bristol BS40 9XF (M: 07968 385277; E: Vivienne.mackayhope@gmail.com)

Treasurer: James Coward, 4 Fairview, North Brewham, Bruton, Somerset BA10 0JT (M: 07846 378028; E: jamescowardaca@yahoo.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Ian Hall, 2 Chalk Farm Close, Norton Malreward, Pensford, Bristol BS39 4HQ (H: 01275 837987; M: 07795 421542; E: ian.hall@spottydogmarketing.com)

Referees Contact: Ian Hall, 2 Chalk Farm Close, Norton Malreward, Pensford, Bristol BS39 4HQ (H: 01275 837987; M: 07795 421542; E: ian.hall@spottydogmarketing.com)

Junior & Youth Secretary: Andrew Molyneux, (M: 07774 770071; E: andrew@weaversgallery.co.uk)

Colours: Green & White

Directions to ground: Between Chew Magna and Chew Stoke next to Chew Valley School.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, U18, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Clevedon RFC

(Founded 1921)

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

Club Address: Southey Road, Coleridge Vale Playing Fields, Clevedon BS21 6PF (T: 01275 877772)

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/clevedonrugbyclub

Chairman: Jim McVeigh, 5 Melbourne Terrace, Clevedon BS21 6HQ (H: 01275 546046; M: 07899 667685; E: jimmcveigh@blueyonder.co.uk)

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

Treasurer: Amy Wilson, 8 Edward Road South, Clevedon, BS21 7HY (H: 01275 879393; M: 07803 698313; E: amykswilson@hotmail.co.uk)

Senior Fixture Contact: Mike Thomas, 46 Treefield Road, Clevedon BS21 6JB (H: 01275 875497; M: 07967 041518; E: michaelthomas901@btinternet.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: John McGuigan, 5 Princes Road, Clevedon BS21 7SY (H: 01275 878308; M: 07787 920767; E: johnrmcguigan@btinternet.com)

Referees Contact: Mike Thomas, 46 Treefield Road, Clevedon BS21 6JB (H: 01275 875497; M: 07967 041518; E: michaelthomas901@btinternet.com)

Club Coach: Nick Hill (M: 07774 000643)

Mini & Junior Chairman: John McGuigan, 5 Princes Road, Clevedon BS21 7SY (H: 01275 878308; M: 07787 920767; E: johnrmcguigan@btinternet.com)

Colours: Blue & Gold

Directions to ground: Follow The Signs

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Women's, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Combe Down RFC

(Founded 1896)

League: 1st Team - D&W 1 North, 2nd Team - D&W 3 North.

Club Address: Holly's Corner, Bramble Way, North Road Combe Down, Bath BA2 5DE (T: 01225 832075)

Club Website: www.combedownrfc.rfu.club

Chairman: Sam Hyden, 87 Ridge Green, Odd Down, Bath, Somerset BA2 2EG (M: 07974 146664; E: samhyden@sky.com)

Secretary: Steve White, 48 Blackmore Drive, Southdown, Bath, Somerset BA2 1JN (H: 01225 312393; M: 07740 404372; E: steve.white@boltongateservices.co.uk)

Treasurer: John O'Shea, 107 Midford Road, Combe Down, Bath, Somerset BA2 5RX (H: 01225 832043; M: 07968 506954; E: jjoshea@hotmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Steve White, 48 Blackmore Drive, Southdown, Bath, Somerset BA2 1JN (H: 01225 312393; M: 07740 404372; E: steve.white@boltongateservices.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Adrian Sprake, 50 Ivy Avenue, Bath, Somerset BA2 1AL (M: 07912 477758; E: adriansprake@hotmail.com)

Referees Contact: Steve White, 48 Blackmore Drive, Southdown, Bath, Somerset BA2 1JN (H: 01225 312393; M: 07740 404372; E: steve.white@boltongateservices.co.uk)

Club Coach: Chris Thompson (M: 07900 268411; E: cm.thomo@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Adrian Sprake, 50 Ivy Avenue, Bath, Somerset BA2 1AL (M: 07912 477758; E: adriansprake@hotmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Adrian Sprake, 50 Ivy Avenue, Bath, Somerset BA2 1AL (M: 07912 477758; E: adriansprake@hotmail.com)

Colours: Black & Amber Hoops

Directions to ground: Situation on the junction of North Road A3062 and Combe Road.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, U16, Mini.

Crewkerne RFC

(Founded 1975)

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

Club Address: The George Reynolds Centre, South Street, Crewkerne, Somerset TA18 8DA (T: 01460 73972)

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/crewkerne

Chairman: C/O John Williams, Jubilee Cottage, Folly Road, Kingsbury Episcopi, TA12 6AT (H: 01935 825043; M: 07787 154321; E: jonmanorwines@gmail.com)

Secretary: Joanne Stubbins, 21B Lang Road, Crewkerne TA18 8HQ (H: 01460 76791; M: 07957 503894; E: crewkernercsecretary@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Rebecca Padfield, 28 Kingswood Road, Crewkerne TA18 8EY (H: 01460 719778; M: 07880 886179; E: rebeccapadfield@live.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Trevor Boyer, 55 St. James, Beaminster, Dorset DT8 3PW (H: 01308 863169; W: 07702 527526; E: trevor.boyer@openreach.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Sue Mallett, 21 Bushfield Road, Crewkerne TA 18 8HL (H: 01460 73925; M: 07760 499618; E: mallettsuzanne@yahoo.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Trevor Boyer, 55 St. James, Beaminster, Dorset DT8 3PW (H: 01308 863169; W: 07702 527526; E: trevor.boyer@openreach.co.uk)

Club Coach: Andrew Mosley, 22 Broadshard, Crewkerne TA18 7NF (W: 01460 271883; M: 07738 622522; E: andrewmosley@parker.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Alex Rice, Jubilee House, 8 Coles Lane, South Petherton TA13 5AF (H: 01460 419937; M: 07989 444224; E: alexrice@hotmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Simon Shackelford, 111 Park View,

Crewkerne TA 18 8JE (H: 01460 78490; W: 01935 704401; M: 01464 632081; E: simon.shackleford@btinternet.com)

Colours: Black & Red

Directions to ground: Once in Crewkerne town centre, proceed along South Street and take the left-hand turning into Henhayes Lane, the Rugby Club can be seen on your right-hand side, where there is ample parking.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, U16, U12, U11, Mini.

Evercreech Barbarians RFC

(Founded 2005)

Club Address: c/o The Bell Inn, Bruton Road, Evercreech, Shepton Mallet BA4 6HY (01749 830287)

Chairman: Ken Hawker, 2 Rockleaze, Evercreech, Shepton Mallet BA4 6JP (M: 07773 690345)

Secretary: Mr A Biddecombe, Melutas, Oxford Street, Evercreech, Shepton Mallet BA4 6HT

Treasurer: Paul Sealey, 1 Fosse Road, Oakhill, Radstock BA3 5HU

(H: 01749 841496; W: 01249 814700; M: 07719 937359; E:

paulsealey@lineone.net; F: 01249 821529)

Fixtures Secretary: as Chairman

Referees Contact: as Chairman

Coach: N/A

Junior & Youth Secretary: N/A

Club Colours: Pink and black quarters

Ground: Go to Pecking Mill Inn and look for the rugby posts

Teams: Sunday XV, Vets

Frome RFC

(Founded 1883)

League: 1st Team - Southern Counties South, 2nd Team - Dorset and Wilts 2 North, 3rd Team - Bath Combination Merit Table.

Club Address: The Clubhouse, Gypsy Lane, Frome, Somerset BA11 2NA (T: 01373 462506)

Club Website: www.fromefc.org

Chairman: Shane Lewis (M: 07979 593868; E: chairman@fromefc.org)

Secretary: Chris Hodge, 7 Yeomans Lodge, Frome, Somerset BA11 4SA (H: 01373 301555; W: 01255 473679; M: 07374 697556; F: 01225 448714; E: secretary@fromefc.org)

Treasurer: David Winduss, Glebe House, Buckland Dinham, Frome, Somerset BA11 2QW (W: 01373 462506; E: treasurer@fromefc.org)

Fixtures Secretary: Roger Gilson, 25 Croscombe Gardens, Frome, Somerset BA11 2YF (M: 07920 838299; E: fixtures@fromefc.org)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Roger Gilson, 25 Croscombe Gardens, Frome, Somerset BA11 2YF (M: 07920 838299; E: fixtures@fromefc.org)

Referees Contact: Roger Gilson, 25 Croscombe Gardens, Frome, Somerset BA11 2YF (M: 07920 838299; E: fixtures@fromefc.org)

Club Coach: Toby Culf (M: 07970 883489; E: coach@fromefc.org)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Andrew Vince (M: 07838 227728; E:

jinxvince@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair: Garrie Webster (M: 07738 261231; E:

juniorchairman@fromefc.org)

Colours: Red, White & Black Hoops

Directions to ground: On entering Frome from Beckington and Oldford on the B3090, Gypsy 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 Gypsy Lane after a short drive.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Vets, U18, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Gordano RFC

(Founded 1970)

League: 1st Team - Tribute Western Counties, 2nd Team - Somerset 2 North, 3rd Team - Friendlies and Veterans Games.

Club Address: Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF (T: 07411 461804)

Club Website: www.gordanorfc.co.uk

Chairman: Ian Pope, 38 Nightingale Rise, Portishead, North Somerset BS20 8LN (H: 07411 461804; E: ian.pope@gordanorfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Paul Howe, BRC, 3 St. Paul's Road, Clifton, Bristol BS8 1LT (H: 07500 223512; W: 01179 239100; M: 07500 223512; E: paul@brcjobs.com)

Treasurer: Ben Livings, 28 Avon Road, Pill, North Somerset BS20 0BN (H: 07979 918498; E: benjamin050978@aol.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Joe Rowsell, C/O Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF (M: 07746 112793; E: fixtures@gordanorfc.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Mark Davies, 42 Wetlands Lane, Portishead, North Somerset BS20 6RF (M: 07817 506648; E: mjschairman@gordnanorfc.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Joe Rowsell, C/O Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF (M: 07746 112793; E: fixtures@gordanorfc.co.uk)

Club Coach: Chris Hurd, C/O Gordano RFC, Caswell Lane, Portbury, North Somerset BS20 7UF (M: 07748 741519; E: chris09@btinternet.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Mark Davies, 42 Wetlands Lane, Portishead, North Somerset BS20 6RF (M: 07817 506648; E: mjschairman@gordnanorfc.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Mark Davies, 42 Wetlands Lane, Portishead, North Somerset BS20 6RF (M: 07817 506648; E: mjschairman@gordnanorfc.co.uk)

Colours: Red & Black.

Directions to ground: M5 Junction 19. Head towards Bristol on A369. After 100 metres, filter right, then turn right towards Portbury village. At village green war memorial, turn left, follow signs along narrow lane for 800 metres. Ground is on right.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Women's, Vets, U18, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Hornets Rugby Football Club Limited

(Founded 1962)

League: 1st Team - South West 1 West, 2nd Team - Somerset Premier, 3rd Team - Somerset 2 North.

Club Address: Hutton Moor Road, Weston-super-Mare BS22 8LY (T: 01934 621433)

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/hornetsrfc

Chairman: Stuart Simmons, C/O Hornets RFC (M: 07773 547634; E: chairman_md@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Steve Fairhurst, C/O Hornets RFC (M: 07768 514319; E: secretary@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Rich Powell, C/O Hornets RFC (M: 07807 752680; E: treasurer@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Tim Coker, C/O Hornets RFC (M: 07833 258155; E: fixtures@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Paul Bryant, C/O Hornets RFC (M: 07484 053479; E: hornetsminifixtures@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: Neil Cowlin, C/O Hornets RFC (H: 01934 414659; E: neil@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

neilandaudrey@icloud.com)

Club Coach: Steve Pape, C/O Hornets RFC (M: 07585 773454; E: papey4@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Pete Frake, C/O Hornets RFC (M: 07809 436791; E: juniorchairman@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Pete Frake, C/O Hornets RFC (M: 07809 436791; E: juniorchairman@hornetsrfc.co.uk)

Colours: Back & Amber.

Directions to ground: Leave M5 motorway at Junction 21

Take dual carriageway into Weston-super-Mare. Go over three roundabouts and then take right hand filter lane by brown tourist sign to HORNETS RFC Club is on your right hand side, opposite the leisure centre.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, 4th XV, Women's, U18, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Imperial RFC

(Founded 1905)

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

Club Address: South Bristol Sports Centre, West Town Lane, Bristol BS14 9EA (T: 0117 903 8681)

Club Website: www.imperialrfc.org.uk

Chairman: 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@imperialfireandsecurity.co.uk)

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

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

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

Club Coach: Mark Woodrow & Danny Williams

Junior & Youth Secretary: Tim Dalton (M: 07824 469695; E: timpdalton@gmail.com)

Colours: Myrtle Green & Amber.

Directions to ground: As per address, we have pitches and changing facilities on the West Town Lane site, not Manor Farm as previous set up.

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

Keynsham

(Founded 1923)

League: 1st Team - South West 1, 2nd Team - Somerset 1, 3rd Team - Bath

Combination Merit Table.

Club Address: Crown Field, Bristol Road, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 2BE (T: 0117 987 2520)

Club Website: www.keynshamrugby.co.uk

Chairman: Chris Wetton, High Trees, The Glen, Saltford, Bristol BS31 3JP (H: 01225 874604; M: 07595 056467; E: cw@apollomam.co.uk)

Secretary: Chris Wetton, High Trees, The Glen, Saltford, Bristol BS31 3JP (H: 01225 874604; M: 07595 056467; E: cw@apollomam.co.uk)

Treasurer: Paul Brookes, 97 Albert Road, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 1AE (M: 07974 658508; E: prbrookes@gmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Ashton Broad, The Pantiles, 157 Bristol Road, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 OPU (H: 01275 831605; E: ashtonbroad18@gmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Bob Baber (H: 0117 940 7962; E:

embob@blueyonder.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Ashton Broad, The Pantiles, 157 Bristol Road, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 OPU (H: 01275 831605; E: ashtonbroad18@gmail.com)

Club Coach: Jason Wheatley (M: 07770674010; E: jason.wheatley@hpe.com)

Junior Chair: Neil Primrose (M: 07917 451365; E: neilprimrose@me.com)

Mini Chair: Paul Clarke, 73 West Street, Oldland Common, Bristol BS30 9QT (M: 07702 890008; E: paul@gridworks.co.uk)

Colours: Black & Amber.

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: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Vets, U18, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Martock RFC

(Founded 1992)

League: 1st Team - Somerset 2 South.

Club Address: 2nd Floor Commerce House, North Street, Martock TA12 6DH (T: 0717 477093)

Club Website: www.martockrugbyclub.com

Chairman: Paul Bailes, 4 Springfield Road, Yeovil BA21 3NB (M: 07810 566166;)

Secretary: John Hole, 13 Hollies Close, Bower Hinton, Martock TA12 6LB (M: 07720 762304; E: johnhole@hintonsport.co.uk)

Treasurer: Julie Hayward, Holly Cottage, 14 Roundwell Street, South Petherton TA13 5AA (T: 01460 241982; E: julie15.hayward@gmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Scott Jones, Stone Acre Underway, Comber St. Nicholas, Chard TA20 3NS (M: 07516 977919; E: sapperscottpauljones@yahoo.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: John Hole, 13 Hollies Close, Bower Hinton, Martock TA12 6LB (M: 07720 762304; E: johnhole@hintonsport.co.uk)

Directions to ground: Stoke Road Recreation Ground, Stoke Road, Martock TA12 6AF. From the A303 go along Stoke Road into Martock, the rec will be on your left as you enter village

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

Midsomer Norton RFC

(Founded 1936)

League: 1st Team - Western Counties North, 2nd Team - Somerset 2 North, 3rd Team - Somerset 3 North, 4th Team - Bath Combination Merit Table.

Club Address: Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton Postcode: BA3 2UE (T: 07765 053225)

Club Website: www.midsomernortonrfc.co.uk

Chairman: Neil Denning, 10 Orchardleigh View, Frome BA11 3SB (H: 01373 463345; M: 07773 567887; E: njdenning@blueyonder.co.uk)

Secretary: Ian Tiley, 28 Charlton Road, Midsomer Norton BA3 4AE (M: 07765 053225; E: ian.tiley@hotmail.com)

Treasurer: Robin Browning, C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton BA3 2UE (E: robinbrowning@pgtax.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Adrian Rideout, 18 North Road, Midsomer Norton BA3 2QD (M: 07435 93271; E: ade.janerideout@hotmail.com)

Mini Fixture Secretary: Darron Hebbard, C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton BA3 2UE (M: 07531 804820; E: juniors@midsomernortonrfc.org.uk darron hebbard@yahoo.co.uk)

Junior Fixture Secretary: Chris Rawlings, C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton BA3 2UE (M: 07775 524621; E: mnrfc.juniorfixtures@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: Adrian Rideout, 18 North Road, Midsomer Norton BA3 2QD
(M: 07435 93271; E: ade.janerideout@hotmail.com)

Club Coach: Martin Blackmore, C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver Street,
Midsomer Norton BA3 2UE (M: 07513 480270; E: mblacky83@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Connie Fuller, C/O Norton Down Playing Fields, Silver
Street, Midsomer Norton BA3 2UE (M: 07843 593625; E:
conniefuller8@aol.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Robert Fuller, C/O Norton Down Playing
Fields, Silver Street, Midsomer Norton BA3 2UE (M: 07545 664033; E:
robbiefulleruk@yahoo.co.uk juniors@midsomernortonrfc.co.uk)

Colours: 1st Choice: Red & White Hoops. 2nd Choice: Green & Black Hoops.

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

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, 4th XV, U18, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11,
Mini.

Milborne Port

(Sunday Fixtures)

Chairman: Stan Vaughan, 10 Redwing Road, Milborne Port, Sherborne
ST9 5DB (M: 07541 223870)

Secretary: Lisa Murrin, 10 Redwing Road, Milborne Port, Sherborne ST9 5DB
(M: 07796 340796; E: lisamurrin@hotmail.co.uk)

Treasurer: Malvern Carvell, 1 East Street, Milborne Port DT9 5DR
(H: 01963 250131; M: 07743 927453; E: malvern.carvell@tiscali.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Jason Perryman, White House, Osborne, Sherborne, Dorset
DT9 4JY (M: 07855 035175)

Referee Contact: Malvern Carvell, as above

Club Coach: Nigel Domoney, 50 Simons Road, Sherborne DT9 4DN
(01935 816532; M: 07971 537363)

Club Colours: Emerald green and gold.

Ground: Memorial Ground, Springfield Road, Milborne Port, Sherborne, Dorset.
Arrive at crossroads in centre of village, turn north into North Street, which
reverts to Station Road. Springfield Road is the 3rd turning on the right.

Teams: 1st XV, Vets (sometimes)

Minehead Barbarians RFC

(Founded 1946)

League: 1st Team - Somerset Premier, 2nd Team - Somerset 2.

Club Address: The Ton Stewart Field, Ellicombe Lane, Ellicombe, Minehead
TA24 6TR (T: 01643 707155)

Club Website: www.mineheadbarbarians.co.uk

Chairman: Mr Steve Murray (E: smurray965@btinternet.com)

Secretary: Miss Claire Godfrey (E: clairegodfrey@talktalk.net)

Treasurer: Mr Mike Willies (M: 07974 567011; E: mike@hi-tecdrains.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Mr Steve Murray (E: smurray965@btinternet.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: (E:
mbrfcfixtures@yahoo.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Mr Steve Murray (E: smurray965@btinternet.com)

Club Coach: Mr Mick Orton (M: 07850 962137; E: mickorton@btinternet.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Mr Hal Bretherton (E:
bretherton2@btinternet.com)

Colours: Black & White Hoops

Directions to ground: A39 to Minehead from Bridgwater/Taunton, turn left at
first roundabout signposted Ellicombe, ground is 100m.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Women's, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Morganians RFC

(Founded 1921)

League: 1st Team - Tribute Somerset 1.

Club Address: Chedzoy Lane, Bridgwater TA7 8QW (T: 01823 423434)

Club Website: www.morganiansrfc.co.uk

Chairman: Mike Britton, 82 Sedgemoor Road, Bridgwater TA6 5NR (H: 01278 427321; M: 07941 884156; E: mbritton1@hotmail.co.uk)

Secretary: Mike McGeown, Rooks Orchard, Stathe Road, Burrowbridge, Somerset TA7 0RY (M: 07831 242623; E: mikemcgeown3@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Kirk Back, 59 Riverside Close, Bridgwater TA6 3PP (H: 01278 325740; E: kirk.back@sky.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Mike McGeown, Rooks Orchard, Stathe Road, Burrowbridge, Somerset TA7 0RY (M: 07831 242623; E: mikemcgeown3@gmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Chris Guest, 101 Fairfax Road, Bridgwater, Somerset (M: 07789 582101; E: cguest2@sky.com)

Referees Contact: Mike McGeown, Rooks Orchard, Stathe Road, Burrowbridge, Somerset TA7 0RY (M: 07831 242623; E: mikemcgeown3@gmail.com)

Club Coach: Mark Flower, 14 Standard Road, Westonzoyland, Somerset TA7 0EL (H: 01278 699328 W: 01179 096363; M: 07894 614282; E: markflower297@aol.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Barry John, 6 Luxborough Road, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 7JL (M: 07979 704968; E: barryjohn99@hotmail.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Barry John, 6 Luxborough Road, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 7JL (M: 07979 704968; E: barryjohn99@hotmail.com)

Colours: Blue / Red / Gold

Directions to ground: Brief directions to ground...M5 Exit J 23, Take A39 towards Glastonbury. At first Junction take first right towards Bridgwater and continue 3 miles until you see signs for Chedzoy or Morganians RFC.

Teams: 1st XV, Other, Mini.

Nailsea & Backwell RFC

(Founded 1972)

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

Club Address: West End Park, Nailsea, North Somerset BS48 4BY (T: 01275 810818)

Club Website: Website: www.nailseabackwellrfc.rfu.club

Chairman: Dave Hudson (M: 07815 881582; E: chairman@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Justin Siedle (M: 07939 007265; E: secretary@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Tony Warren (M: 07765 092674; E: treasurer@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Bob Nelson (M: 07776 047481; E: nandbfixtures@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: Bob Nelson (M: 07776 047481; E: nandbfixtures@gmail.com)

Club Coach: Tony Hill, West End Park, Nailsea, North Somerset BS48 4BY

Mini & Junior Chair: Matt Thorn (M: 07812 170802; E: juniorchair@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk)

Colours: Black & Blue (with White & Gold trims)

Directions to ground: Follow the sign posts to the Clubhouse, which are located at the main entry points into Nailsea. Location is also shown in Contacts page of website.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Vets, U18M, U18W, U16M, U15M, U15W, U14M, U13M, U13W, U12M, U11, U10, U9, U8, U7, U6, U5.

North Petherton RFC

(Founded 1893)

League: 1st Team - SW 1 (West), 2nd Team - Somerset One, 3rd Team - Friendlies, Women - NC South West 1.

Club Address: Beggards Brook, North Petherton TA6 6QT (T: 01278 663 028)

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

Chairman: William Frost, 1 Broadlands Avenue, North Petherton TA6 6QP (H: 01278 663535; M: 07808 811999; E: frostlorraine@aol.com)

Secretary: Mr Clive Pearn, 48 Broadlands Avenue, North Petherton TA6 6QT (H: 01278 663032; M: 07920 194717; E: clive@pearn.go-plus.net)

Treasurer: Mrs Kirsty Roberts, 32 Broadlands Avenue, North Petherton, TA6 6QS (H: 01278 662246; M: 07402 244269; E: kirstytett@aol.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Adam Griffin, 106a Lambrook Road, Taunton TA1 2AE (M: 07800 758031; E: adam_gghotmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Lee Jackson, 142 Firepool View, Taunton TA1 1NY (M: 07903 722390; E: lee.jackson@experian.com)

Referees Contact: Adam Griffin, 106a Lambrook Road, Taunton TA1 2AE (M: 07800 758031; E: adam_gghotmail.com)

Club Coach: Mr Nix Sestaret (M: 07496 519009; E: woolactott796@btinternet.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Maddy Dean, 22 Lyndale Avenue, Bridgwater TA6 3PS (M: 07788 214186; E: maddy.black@live.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Lloyd Williams, 39 Broadlands Avenue, North Petherton TA6 6QS (M: 07900 498355; E: lwilliams5@educ.somerset.go.uk)

Colours: Black & White, Ladies: Pink / Black / White

Directions to ground: Situated between Bridgwater and Taunton. Exit the M5 J24 head through North Petherton towards Taunton as you exit North Petherton Beggards Brook is a large lay-by on the left the Club house is just off the lay-by.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Women's, Vets, U18, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

North Wootton

(Founded 1996)

(Sunday fixtures)

Chairman: James Phillips, 42 Ashgrove, Greengates, Bradford. BD10 0DP (M: 07989 321806; E: jamatz74@hotmail.com)

Secretary: Charlie Hare, Withial Hill Farm, East Pennard, Shepton Mallet. BA4 6UF (M: 07590 642957; E: chare84@hotmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Chris English, Riverside Grange, North Wootton, Shepton Mallet. BA4 4AE (H: 01749 890761; W: 01458 837516; E: cje@millfieldprep.com; chrisenglishuk2000@yahoo.co.uk)

Club Colours: Green, brown, navy blue, maroon, grey

Club Address: Riverside Grange, Tanyard Lane, North Wootton BA4 4AE (01749 890761)

Ground: No home ground. We play our 'Home' fixtures at Butleigh RFC ground at Kingweston

Teams: 1st

Old Aluredian RFC

(Founded 1892)

League: 1st Team - Friendlies only.

Club Website: www.aluredian.co.uk

All correspondence to: Ed Lewsey, Head of Sport, Kings College, Taunton, TA1 3LA (T: 01823 328200; M: 07703 741049; E: eamlewsy@kings-taunton.co.uk)

Treasurer: Chris Rew, 105 South Road, Taunton, Somerset TA1 3EA (H: 01823

324272; M: 07771 515977; E: chrisrew62@hotmail.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: N. S. Gresswell, Head of Sport, Kings College, Taunton, TA1 3LA (T: 01823 328200; M: 07703 741049; E: nsgresswell@kings-taunton.co.uk)

Colours: White Shirts & Black Shorts.

Club Address: c/o Ed Lewsey, Head of Sport, Kings College, Taunton, TA1 3LA

Teams: 1st XV.

Old Bristolians

(Founded 1925)

League: 1st, Western Counties North; 2nd, Somerset 1; 3rd, Somerset 3 North;

Ladies NCC South West 2 North.

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/oldbristolians

President: Rich Berry, 97 Longmead Avenue, Bishopston, Bristol BS7 8QE
(H: 01275 394448; M: 07917 133721; E: richberry@blueyonder.co.uk)

Chairman: Tristan Fowler (M: 07703 067502; E: tristan.fowler@tuffscreen.com)

Secretary: Ben Bagnall, 24 Pearl Street, Bristol BS3 3EA (Mob 07765 226854
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Treasurer: Robert Davies (M: 07966 308095; E: robert.davies@smithandwilliamson.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Tim Colton (M: 07725 191963
E: tim.colton2000@yahoo.co.uk)

Referees Contact: (as Fixtures Secretary)

Director of Rugby: Simon Hunt (E: impactrugby@yahoo.co.uk)

Junior & Youth Chairman: Paul Tinkler, 73 Chesterfield Road, St Andrews, Bristol BS6 5DW (M: 07815 302503; E: juniorchairman@obrhc.co.uk)

Junior & Youth Secretary: Paul Tinkler as above.

Senior Ladies Contact: Aimee Kelly (M: 07716 385422; E: aimee.c.kelly@hotmail.com)

Club Colours: Maroon, amber and green

Ground: Memorial Playing Field, Failand, Bristol BS8 3TQ (01275 392137). Off B3219 Beggar Bush Lane, Failand, Bristol, behind the former Corus Hotel / Redwood Lodge Country Club).

Teams: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Vets, Ladies, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Minis. Girls U6,U7,U8,U9,U10,U11,U12,U13,U14,U15,U16,U17

Old Culverhaysians

(Founded 1959)

League: Bath Merit Table.

Club Address: Old Fosse Road, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2SS

Club Website: www.oldculverhaysians.co.uk

Chairman: Nigel Franckom, 58 Haycombe Drive, Bath, BA2 1PG
(M: 07780 622405; E: nigelfranky@hotmail.com)

Secretary: Lyn Rosevier, Old Fosse Road, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2SS (M: 07712 237504; E: mailmoonimgucker8@yahoo.co.uk)

Treasurer: Nick Harding, Westend Cottage, Number 1, Hunstrete, Bristol BS39 4NT (H: 01761 490186)

Fixtures Secretary: Leon Scarrott Old Fosse Road, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2SS
(M: 07527 422441; E: scarrott.leon@yahoo.com)

Referees Contact: Leon Scarrott Old Fosse Road, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2SS
(M: 07527 422441; E: scarrott.leon@yahoo.com)

Club Coach: Dave Macey, Andrew Ball & Steve Ball, c/o Old Culverhaysians

Junior & Youth Secretary: Lyn Rosevier, Old Fosse Road, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2SS (M: 07712 237504; E: mailmoonimgucker8@yahoo.co.uk)

Club Colours: Black / Amber

Ground: Odd Down Sports ground, Chelwood drive, Odd Down, Bath. Follow to

Traffic lights at Noads Corner, follow signs to Odd Down Sports Ground approx.
300 yards from lights

Teams: 1st, Vets, Mini

Old Redcliffians RFC

(Founded 1918)

League: 1st Team - National 2 South, 2nd Team - Somerset Premier, 3rd Team - Somerset 2 North.

Club Address: Scotland Lane, Brislington, Bristol BS4 5LU (T: 0117 9778501)

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

Chairman: Chris Fry, 30 Dunedin Way, St. George's, Weston-super-Mare BS22 7RN (H: 01934 510023; M: 07778 595968; E: chris.fry1@hotmail.com)

Secretary: John Price, 5 Sherwell Road, Brislington, Bristol BS4 4JX (H: 0117 9771560; M: 07939 138196; E: j_price@sky.com)

Treasurer: Malcom Gleed, C/O Club Address (M: 07860 620609; E: papa-g@hotmail.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Russ Yandell, C/O Club Address (M: 07828 769504; E: russyandell@hotmail.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Richard Yandell, C/O Club Address (M: 07763 466655; E: richardyandell@hotmail.com)

Club Coach: Saul Nelson, C/O Club Address

Junior & Youth Secretary: Jim Hanks, 2 Woodbridge Road, Knowle, Bristol BS4 2EU (M: 07585 508950; E: jphanks@hotmail.co.uk)

Colours: Red & Black

Directions to ground: Take the A4 from central Bristol towards Bath, travel approx. 4 miles from Temple Meads, turn right t McDonalds/Park & Ride, travel for 0.25 miles, Ground is on the Right.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Old Sulians RFC Limited

(Founded 1926)

League: 1st Team - Somerset 1.

Club Address: The Clubhouse, Lansdown Road, Bath BA1 9BH (T: 01225 741804)

Club Website: www.oldsulians.com

Chairman: Tom Shaw, 26 St. John's Road, Lower Weston, Bath BA1 3BW (M: 07789 980162; E: t0m0shaw@gmail.com)

Secretary: Terry Haines, 16A Rockliffe Avenue, Bath BA2 6QP (H: 01225 465107; W: 01179 797540; M: 07887 216081; E: terry.j.haines@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Jon Wrigley, 20 Horsecombe Brow, Combe Down, Bath BA2 5QY (H: 01225 832006; E: jon54wrigley@btinternet.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Maria Davies, 6 Highfield Road, Peasedown St. John, Bath BA2 8HF (H: 01761 435701; M: 07522 84412; E: rmd2901@hotmail.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Maria Davies, 6 Highfield Road, Peasedown St. John, Bath BA2 8HF (H: 01761 435701; M: 07522 84412; E: rmd2901@hotmail.co.uk)

Club Coach: Tom Shaw, 26 St. John's Road, Lower Weston, Bath BA1 3BW (M: 07789 980162; E: t0m0shaw@gmail.com)

Colours: Red & Blue

Directions to ground: Follow Lansdown Road from the city centre. Ground is on the left 500m after Hare & Hounds.

Teams: 1st XV.

Oldfield Old Boys RFC

(Founded 1950)

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

Club Address: The Clubhouse, Shaft Rd, Bath BA2 7HP (T: 01225 834135)

Club Website: www.oldfieldrfc.co.uk

Chairman: TBC

Secretary: Steve Godwin, 12 Lime Grove Gardens, Bath BA2 4HE (H: 01225 318612; M: 07773 446327; E: stevegodwin36@hotmail.com)

Treasurer: Pat Bunton, Valley View, St. Julian's Road, Shoshcombe, Bath BA2 8NB (M: 07539 787726; E: patbunton1@gmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Chris Quintin (M: 07973 839499; E: chris.quintin@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: Chris Quintin (M: 07973 839499; E: chris.quintin@gmail.com)

Club Coach: Ollie Hayes (M: 07873 806602; E: olli22hayes@hotmail.com)

Junior & Youth Secretary: Lee Morris, 9 Middlewood Close, Odd Down, Bath BA2 2TU (H: 01225 590568; M: 07868 977723 E: leemorris431@gmail.com)

Junior & Youth Chairman: Jason Humphries (H: 01225 366131; M: 07976 566058; E: humph2@blueyonder.co.uk)

Colours: Home - Maroon & Amber. Away - Maroon, Blue & Black

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Vets, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Somerton Rugby Football Club Limited

(Founded 1998)

League: 1st Team - Tribute Somerset 2 South, 2nd Team - Friendlies, 3rd Team - Potentially Friendlies, 4th Team - Potentially Friendlies.

Club Address: Ground - Somerton Recreation Ground, Gassons Lane, Somerton TA11 6HS (T: 07515 652321)

Club Website: www.somertonrfc.co.uk

President: Goff Rumbles, Gardeners Cottage, Kingsdon, Somerton, Somerset TA11 7JZ (H: 01935 840132; M: 07836 521655; E: president@srfc.co.uk)

Chairman: Paul Farmer, Moortown Farm, Curry Rivel, Somerset TA10 0AB (M: 07515 652321; E: secretary@somertonrfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Chris Palmer, 2 Hawthorne Close, High Ham, Langport, Somerset TA10 9EA (H: 01458 251066; M: 07527 045662; E: secretary@somertonrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Paul Farmer, Moortown Farm, Curry Rivel, Somerset TA10 0AB (M: 07515 652321; E: secretary@somertonrfc.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Steve Bomers, 6 Cleers Orchard, Somerton, Somerset TA11 6QT (M: 07870 861731 - club phone, or 07888 890289; E: stevebomers@yahoo.com)

Referees Contact: Steve Bomers, 6 Cleers Orchard, Somerton, Somerset TA11 6QT (M: 07870 861731 - club phone, or 07888 890289; E: stevebomers@yahoo.com)

Club Coach: Gary Saunders, 52 Lyndale Avenue, Bridgwater, Somerset TA6 3PT (M: 07772 673829; E: 1stxvcaptain@somertonrfc.co.uk)

Junior & Youth Secretary: Scott Godley, Thimble Cottage, Huish Episcopi, Langport, Somerset TA10 9NU (M: 07900 407242; E: membership@somertonrfc.co.uk)

Colours: Blue & Yellow

Directions to ground: Somerton Recreation Ground, Gassons Lane, Somerton TA116HS (Tel: 01458 273808). The ground can be found on the B3153 (Langport Road). Turn into Gassons Lane, by the side of ground and then turn right into the car park.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, U18 Girls, U15 Girls.

St Bernadette's Old Boys RFC

(Founded 1962)

League: 1st Team - Somerset Premier, 2nd Team - Somerset 3 North, 3rd Team - Friendlies only.

Club Address: Bamfield BS14 0XD (T: 01275 891500)

Club Website: www.pitchero/clubs/stbernadettesoldboys

Chairman: Eddie Quirke, 1 Hitherbath Bridge, Brislington, Bristol BS4 5JD (M: 07825 058016; E: eddie.quirke@wilts.co.uk)

Secretary: Richard Blacker, 44 Paddock Garden, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0TG (M: 07887855477; E: richard_blacker@sky.com)

Treasurer: Matt Morgan, 12 Paddock Garden, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 0TG (M: 07877716641; E: mattmorgan67@hotmail.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Paddy Fitzgibbon, 2 Burville Road BS13 7PU (M: 07887624172; E: sbobkit@gmail.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Paddy Fitzgibbon, 2 Burville Road BS13 7PU (M: 07887624172; E: sbobkit@gmail.co.uk)

Club Coach: TBA

Junior & Youth Secretary: Paddy Fitzgibbon, 2 Burville Road BS13 7PU (M: 07887624172; E: sbobkit@gmail.co.uk)

Colours: Green / Blue Hoops

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: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, U16, U15, U14, U13, Mini.

St Brendan's Old Boys RFC

(Founded 1929)

League: 1st Team - Gloucester 2 South, 2nd Team - Wadworth 6X GRFU League.

Club Address: Coombe Dingle Sports Complex, Coombe Lane, Coombe Dingle, Bristol BS9 2BJ (T: 0117 9626718)

Club Website: www.sbobrfc.co.uk

Chairman: Chris Groves, 48, Birchall Road, Redland, Bristol BS6 7TS (H: 0117 9314611; M: 07988 811175; E: chairman@sbobrfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Richard Kolanko, 91 Church Road, Horfield, Bristol BS7 8SD (H: 0117 9241390; M: 07786 573292; E: secretary@sbobrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: James Power (M: 07791 935918; E: stephen.power@lloydstsb.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Frank Probert, 9 St. Aldwyns Close, Monks Park, Bristol BS7 0UQ (H: 0117 9694779; M: 07519 14753; E: frankprobert@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Charles van der Lande (M: 07891 693944; E: charles.vdl@roxburghmilkins.com)

Referees Contact: Frank Probert, 9 St. Aldwyns Close, Monks Park, Bristol BS7 0UQ (H: 0117 9694779; M: 07519 14753; E: frankprobert@hotmail.co.uk)

Club Coach: TBA

Mini & Junior Secretary: Adrian Adams, 6, Shaplans, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS9 1AY (H: 0117 9626592; M: 07774 770073; E: adrian@weaversgallery.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Adrian Adams, 6, Shaplans, Stoke Bishop, Bristol BS9 1AY (H: 0117 9626592; M: 07774 770073; E: adrian@weaversgallery.co.uk)

Colours: Maroon & Old Gold

Directions to ground: Refer to our website.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Colts, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Stothert and Pitt

(Founded 1903)

League: 1st, Somerset Premier; 2nd, Somerset Division 2 North.

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/stothertpitt

Chairman: Nathan Chalmers, Abson Edith Farm, Lodge Road, Abson, Bristol BS30 5TU (M: 07740 744211; E: stothertandpittchairman@gmail.com)

Secretary: Shaun Stephenson McCall, 123 Greenvale Drive, Timsbury, Bath, BA2 0NR (H: 01761 472228 W: 01225 383848 M: 07917 414382; E: shaun_mcgall@hotmail.com)

Treasurer: Jon Burcombe, 99 Midford Road, Combe Down, Bath BA2 5RT (M: 07551 127386; E: jonburcombe@hotmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Tom Drew, 27 Hill Avenue, Victoria Park, Bristol, BS3 4SN (W: 01179 338043; M: 07813 088593; E: tom.drew@immediate.co.uk)

Referees contact: Tom Drew, as above

Club Coach: Neil Roberts, 5 Cottle Gardens. Stockwood, Bristol, BS14 8QS (M: 07887 911918; E: neil.rps@hotmail.co.uk)

Junior & Youth Secretary U16: Shaun Stephenson McCall, 123 Greenvale Drive, Timsbury, Bath, BA2 0NR (H: 01761 472228 W: 01225 383848 M: 07917 414382; E: shaun.mcgall@hotmail.com)

Club Colours: Blue, black and amber. Change colour: green and white.

Ground: Bristol Road, Corston, Bath BA2 9DJ (01225 874802). On A4 Bath – Bristol road three miles west of Bath and one mile east of Saltford.

Teams: 1st, 2nd.

Taunton RFC

(Founded 1875)

League: 1st Team - National 2 South, 2nd Team - Friendly Fixtures Level 6, 3rd Team - Somerset Div 2.

Club Address: Commsplus Stadium, Hyde Lane, Taunton TA2 8BU (T: 01823 336363)

Club Website: www.Tauntonrfc.co.uk

Chairman: John Wrelton (M: 07711 959026; E: john.wrelton@wilkie.co.uk)

Secretary: Pete Stone (M: 07748 452310; E: pete.stone@tauntonrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Mike Amos (H: 01275 372415; E: mjamos@lineone.net)

Fixtures Secretary: Pete Stone (M: 07748 452310; E: pete.stone@tauntonrfc.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Keith Brooking (M: 07779 301477; E: keith.brooking@tauntonrfc.co.uk)

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

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Mark Shirley (M: 07896 160277; E: mark.shirley@hotmail.co.uk)

Colours: Black Shorts, Black, White & Burgundy Shirts and Shorts

Directions to ground: Follow M5 to Junction 25 follow signs for Taunton. At Creech Castle traffic lights bare right following brown information signs to Bathpool. Follow A38 past Aldi on the right, Turn right at the New Mill public house. Commsplus Stadium is 300yards on your right.

Teams: 1st XV Titan's, 2nd XV Warriors, 3rd XV Wanderers, Vets, U23, U18, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini, Midi's.

Tor Rugby Football Club

(Founded 1954)

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

Club Address: Brian Harbinson Memorial Park, Lowerside Lane, Glastonbury BA6 6GY (T: 01458 832236)

Club Website: torrfc.co.uk

Chairman: Mr Dumiso Ncube, C/O Brian Harbinson Memorial Park BA6 6GY (M: 07875 862057; E: dumiso.ncube@btinternet.com)

Secretary: Trish Partlow, C/O Brian Harbinson Memorial Park BA6 6GY (M: 07870 430442; E: trishpartlow02@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Richard Griffiths, C/O Brian Harbinson Memorial Park BA6 6GY (M: 07920 764330; E: richardgriffiths316@hotmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Dan Ferriday, C/O Brian Harbinson Memorial Park BA6 6GY (M: 07947 378933; E: danferriday1987@gmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: David Partlow, C/O Brian Harbinson Memorial Park BA6 6GY (M: 07896 411142; E: popspartlow@aol.com)

Referees Contact: Dan Ferriday, C/O Brian Harbinson Memorial Park BA6 6GY (M: 07947 378933; E: danferriday1987@gmail.com)

Club Coach: Nick Curtis & Matt Hyde, C/O Brian Harbinson Memorial Park BA6 6GY (Matt Mob: 07976 464805; E: hyde_seek84@yahoo.co.uk, Nick Mob: 07920 712422; E: nccurtis@hotmail.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Contact either David Partlow (Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary) or Andrew Pearce (Mini & Junior Chair)

Mini & Junior Chair: Andrew Pearce, C/O Brian Harbinson Memorial Park BA6 6GY (M: 07592 692296; E: shedtune@gmail.com)

Colours: Maroon & Navy

Directions to ground: Adjacent to & signposted off the A39 in Glastonbury.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Vets, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

University of Bath

(Founded 1967)

League: 1st, BUCS Premiership South A; 2nd, BUCS Premiership South B; 3rd, BUCS Western Conference 2a, Womens, BUCS Western 1A.

Club Website: www.Teambath.com/rugby

Club Address: Bath University, Claverton Down Road, Bath BA2 7AY

(Chairman: Hugh Meatyard 07576306153; Aaron James Head of Rugby: 07979 536919; www.teambath.com; E: SUSA.rugby@lists.bath.ac.uk or SUSA@bath.ac.uk)

Chairman: Hugh Meatyard, C/O Bath University Student Association, Claverton Down BA2 7AY (M: 07576306153; E: hugh_meatyard@hotmail.com)

Secretary: Contact Chairman

Treasurer: Rebecca Dean, University of Bath Students Union, Level 3 Norwood House, Claverton Down Road, Bath, BA2 7AY (E: rlid33@bath.ac.uk)

Club Coach: Aaron James, c/o Bath University Student Association, Claverton Down BA2 7AY (M: 07979 536919; E: aaronjames12@hotmail.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Contact Club Coach

Referee Contact: Contact Club Coach

Junior & Youth Secretary: Contact Club Coach

Club Colours: Royal blue Shirts & Shorts. 2nd choice of colours: White Shirts, Blue Shorts

Ground: Bath University Main Campus Sports Grounds. Once on campus – go to the Sports Training Village Reception for directions and changing room/pitch allocation. Also Sulis Club BA2 7AU

Teams: Men's 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 2 Freshers, 1st Women's, Men's 3 Intramural/social team

Walcot RFC

(Founded 1882)

League: 1st Team - Southern Counties South, 2nd Team - Somerset 2 North, 3rd Team - Bath Merit Table.

Club Address: Albert Field, Lansdown, Bath BA1 9BJ (T: 01225 330199)

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/walcotrugby

Chairman: Neil Meade (M: 07748 117999; E: neil.meade@btinternet.com)

Secretary: Stuart Foxon, 25 Bloomfield Avenue, Bath BA2 3AB (H: 01225

789587; M: 07817 471476; E: stuartfoxon@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Cary Bush, 9 Hantone Hill, Bathampton, Bath BA2 6XD (H: 01225 282645; M: 07788 712348; E: treasurer@walcotrugby.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Stuart Foxon, 25 Bloomfield Avenue, Bath BA2 3AB (H: 01225 789587; M: 07817 471476; E: stuartfoxon@gmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Robin Honeyman, 114 Lymore Avenue, Bath BA2 1AX (M: 07963 437401; E: r.honeyman@bathspa.ac.uk)

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Colours: 1st Choice - Black & White Hoops, 2nd Choice - Red

Directions to ground: From Bath city centre, follow signs to Lansdown and turn right opposite Lansdown Park & Ride. From M4, head for Bath race course on Lansdown, continue past it, and we're on the left, opposite Lansdown Park & Ride.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, U18, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini, Mixed Ability, U18 Girls, U15 Girls, U13 Girls.

Wellington RFC

(Founded 1874)

League: 1st Team - Tribute Western Counties West, 2nd Team - Somerset One.

Club Address: The Athletic Ground, Corams Lane, Wellington, Somerset TA21 8LL (T: 01823 663758)

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/wellington

Chairman: Mr John Dunbar (M: 07971 184639; E: jdunbar@vatvalve.com)

Secretary: Ashley Coleman, 9 Pear Tree Way, Wellington, Somerset TA21 9AB (W: 01823 661641; M: 07787 142648; E: ashley@visionsouthwest.co.uk)

Treasurer: David Wicks, 8 Bluett Road, Wellington, Somerset TA21 9AU (H: 01823 666973; M: 07956 934208; E: diwicks@yahoo.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Mr Andy Cottrell, 33 Alder Close, Taunton, Somerset TA1 2QP (M: 07976 529457; E: bosscottrell@sky.com)

Referees Contact: Jonathan Chetland (M: 07812 951844; E: jonathanchetland@gmail.com)

Club Coach: C/C Bill Sherwin (director of Rugby) (M: 07736 807858)

Junior & Youth Secretary: Andrew Dunston, Gorse Cottage, Culmhead, Taunton, Somerset TA3 7DT (W: 07730 555626; E: lodgegarden@btinternet.com)

Colours: Red & Black Hoops

Directions to ground: Go to the centre of Wellington and turn right at the Clocktower into North Street. Proceed past the Fire Station and the Dolphin Inn until the next left hand junction signposted to the Wellington Sports Centre. Go through the Sports Centre car park to the Clubhouse.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, Women's, U18, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Wells RFC

(Founded 1876)

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

Club Address: Charter Way, Portway, Wells, Somerset BA5 2FB (T: 01749 672823)

Club Website: www.wellsrfc.co.uk

Chairman: Nick Heath (M: 07778 674988; E: nheath@blitz-it.com)

Secretary: David Maxwell (M: 07747 600222; E: david@maxwell.co.uk)

Treasurer: Nick Heath (M: 07778 674988; E: nheath@blitz-it.com)
Fixtures Secretary: Helen Heath (M: 07973 151305; E: hheath@blitz-it.com)
Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Tom Beasley (M: 07525 737738; E: juniorfixtures@wellsrfc.co.uk)
Referees Contact: Helen Heath (M: 07973 151305; E: hheath@blitz-it.com)
Club Coach: Peter Kennedy (M: 07834 658908)
Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Mike Durston (M: 07977 095216; E: michaeldurstonwrfc@gmail.com)
Colours: Black & White
Directions to ground: Travelling West on A371 towards Cheddar from Wells centre, follow the signs to the club, right into the Portway estate. Take the 4th Right to the Leisure Centre and Rugby Club.
Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Vets, U18, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Weston-super-Mare

(Founded 1875)

League: 1st, South West Premier; 2nd, Somerset Premier; 3rd, Somerset 2 North, 4th, Somerset 2 South.

Club Website: www.westonrugby.co.uk

Chairman: Barry Sparks, c/o Clubhouse (H: 01934 824877; M: 07742 580507; E: barry_sparks@hotmail.com or chairman@westonrugby.co.uk)

Secretary: Rob Solomon, 5, The Retreat, Camp Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 2EN (H: 01934 418377; W: 07909 906771; M: 07966 250859; E: secretary@westonrugby.co.uk)

Treasurer: Alan Knight, c/o Clubhouse (H: 01934 413817; E: tareknight@hotmail.co.uk or treasurer@westonrugby.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Rob Solomon, as Secretary

Referees Contact: Rob Solomon, as Secretary

Club Coach: Glenn Dickson (M: 07860 386684; E: gdickson08@gmail.com)

Junior Chairman: Pete Land, c/o clubhouse (M: 07946 649873

E: plandfed@sky.com or juniorchair@westonrugby.co.uk)

Mini Chairman: Gary Moore, c/o clubhouse (M: 07811 46151;

E: garymoore64@hotmail.com or minichair@westonrugby.co.uk)

Club Colours: Royal Blue & White Shirts, Blue Shorts & Blue Socks. 2nd Choice Red Shirts, Blue Shorts & Blue Socks.

Ground: Recreation Ground, Sunnyside Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 3PA (Office: 01934 623118). Situated off Drove Road, Weston Super Mare and close to the main railway station.

Teams: 1st, 2nd, 3rds, 4ths, U18, U-17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

Wincanton

(Founded 1982)

League: Somerset 3 South.

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/wincanton

Chairman: Lee Miles, 5 Deansleigh Park, Shaftsbury, SP7 8RP (M: 07919 896051, E: leepmiles@gmail.com)

Secretary: Chris Hoadley, Cutts Close Farm, Verrington Lane, Wincanton, Somerset BA9 8BW (M: 07974 207324; E: hoaders01@yahoo.co.uk)

Treasurer: Barry Taylor, The Red House, West Hill, Wincanton, Somerset BA9 9BY (M: 07980 455614; E: bjtaylor_uk@yahoo.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Keith Lavelle, 59 West Street, Templecombe, BA8 0DJ (M: 07711 350124; E: keith.m.lavelle@gmail.com)

Referees Contact: As Fixtures Secretary.

Club Coach: Nick Stinton, 5 Downside Close, Mere, Wiltshire, (M: 07757 645756)

Club Colours: Black and Amber. 2nd Choice of Colours: Yellow.

Ground: Wincanton Sports Centre, West Hill, Wincanton, Somerset BA9 9EJ
(M: 07974 207324) Follow signs for Wincanton Sports Centre which is situated on West Hill next to King Arthur's School)

Teams: 1st

Winscombe Rugby Football Club

(Founded 1962)

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

Club Address: The Recreation Ground, Winscombe, North Somerset BS25 1AZ
(T: 07770 475292)

Club Website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/winscomberfc/

Chairman: David Fowler, Southview, Barton Road, Winscombe BS25 1BL (H: 01934 844430; M: 07770 475292; E: davidrfowler85@gmail.com)

Secretary: Adam Cashman, Rosadene, Bristol Road, Langford, Bristol BS40 5JH (W: 01179 406640; M: 07590 037933; E: adam@biztecgroup.co.uk; F: 01934 843605)

Treasurer: Mark Jelbert, The Cottage, Edingnorth road, Edinworth, Weston-super-Mare BS24 OJB (H: 01934 751069; W: 01934 825873; M: 07879 999680; E: mjelbert@btinternet.com)

Fixtures Secretary: Edward Sands, 7 Belmont Road, Winscombe BS25 1LE (E: etsands.7@btinternet.com)

Referees Contact: Edward Sands, 7 Belmont Road, Winscombe BS25 1LE (E: etsands.7@btinternet.com)

Club Coach: Alec Chase (M: 07772 876206)

Junior & Youth Secretary: Nicola Freaque (H: 01934 820317)

Colours: Black & White

Directions to ground: BS25 1AZ (GPS), Buses not to go up out top of banwell as height restriction on bridge.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Women's, Vets (on occasion), U18, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini. Above, known as Colts, 17/18.

Wiveliscombe

(Founded 1872)

League: 1st, Somerset Premier; 2nd, Somerset 2 South.

Club Website: www.wiveliscomberfc.co.uk

Chairman: Gary Sharland, Dovecote Barn, Culverhay, Wiveliscombe TA4 2AA

Secretary: Hugh Kelly, Orchard House, Rowford, Taunton TA2 8JY
(E: hughnkelly@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Monika Aplin, 19 Church Street, Wiveliscombe TA4 2LR
(H: 01984 629252)

Fixtures Secretary: Bruce Keay 19 Lion D'Angers, Wiveliscombe, Taunton TA4 2PN (H: 01984 624835; W: 01984 624055; E: bruce.keay@webbers.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Contact Fixtures Secretary Bruce Keay, as above

Club Coach: Peter Stone (H: 01984 624582) & Brian Stone

Rugby Chairman (Senior & Junior): Hugh Kelly (M: 07753 323883)

Junior Fixtures Secretary: Samantha Nash (H: 01984 623808)

Club Colours: Navy blue with red sash. 2nd Choice of Colours: Red
Ground: Recreation Ground, West Road, Wiveliscombe TA4 2TB (H: 01984 623897). Take B3227 Taunton to Barnstaple Road. Ground on left as you leave town.

Teams: 1st, 2nd, 3rd/Vets, U18, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12

Wyvern RFC

(Founded 1970)

League: 1st Team - Somerset 3 South.

Club Address: Mountfields Road, Taunton TA1 3BJ (T: 07757 017682)

Club Website: www.wyvernrfc.co.uk

Chairman: Mr Martin Howe, 11 Bluebell Close Taunton TA1 3XQ (W: 018230 350500; M: 07802 499007; E: chairman@wyvernrfc.co.uk)

Secretary: Mr David Hughes, Club House Wyvern RFC Mountfields Road Taunton TA1 3BJ (M: 07974 808789; E: secretary@wyvernrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Mr Pete Flook, 25 Maxwell Street Taunton TA2 6HR (M: 07799 145942; E: treasurer@wyvernrfc.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Mr Justin Bennett, 10A Alfred Street Taunton TA1 3HU (H: 01823 33063; M: 07787 550839; E: jrbennett18@sky.com)

Referees Contact: Mr Justin Bennett, 10A Alfred Street Taunton TA1 3HU (H: 01823 33063; M: 07787 550839; E: jrbennett18@sky.com)

Club Coach: Mr Chris Richards, 40 Upper Holway Road TA1 2HD (H: 01823 270849; M: 07807 354963; E: chris.richards@outlook.com)

Colours: Home - Scarlet Red, Away - White / Blue

Directions to ground: M5 junction 25, Postcode TA1 3BJ, Mountfields Road, Take right fork and down lane past club house to main carpark.

Teams: 1st XV, Social XV.

Yatton Rugby Football Club

(Founded 1968)

League: 1st Team - Somerset Premier, 2nd Team - Somerset 2 North, 3rd Team - Somerset 3 South.

Club Address: The Park, North End Road, Yatton BS49 4WR (T: 01934 832085)

Club Website: www.yattonrfc.co.uk

Chairman: Nick Williams, Butchers Arms, High Street, Yatton BS49 4JD (H: 01934 838754; M: 07970 815266; E: tonkaref@aol.com)

Secretary: Mrs Lesley Griffin, 3 The Old School, 6 Church Road, Yatton BS49 4HH (H: 01934 838780; M: 07920 268354; E: lesleyspilgrim@aol.com)

Treasurer: Mr Graham Goodhind, 18 Mulberry Road, Congresbury BS49 5HD (H: 01934 830086; M: 07951 450881; E: grahamgoodhind@btinternet.com)

Fixtures Secretary: James Grimes, 229 Bishopsworth Road, Bristol BS13 7HL (M: 07969 310970; E: jthgrimes0201@gmail.com)

Mini & Juniors Fixture Secretary: Mark Fone, Woodhill Cottage, Woodhill, Congresbury BS49 5AF (M: 07740 535405; E: mcfone@icloud.com)

Referees Contact: James Grimes, 229 Bishopsworth Road, Bristol BS13 7HL (M: 07969 310970; E: jthgrimes0201@gmail.com)

Club Coach: Danny Thomas, 67 Ashton Drive, BS3 2PR (M: 08547 57015; E: dt12491@gmail.com)

Mini & Junior Secretary: Jason Clarke, 27 Derham Close, BS49 4DZ (H: 01934 876005; M: 07896 590862; E: jasonandsuzy@btinternet.com)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Jason Clarke, 27 Derham Close, BS49 4DZ (H: 01934 876005; M: 07896 590862; E: jasonandsuzy@btinternet.com)

Colours: Black & Amber

Directions to ground: From M5 south take junction for A370, J21, follow signs through congresbury to Yatton . Drive through village the club is on right hand side From M5 North take A3133 , J20 sign posted to Yatton as you enter the village, stay left on the roundabout, club is on the left hand side.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, Vets, U17, U16, U15, U14, U12, U11, Mini.

Yeovil Rugby Club

(Founded 2001)

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

Club Address: Dorchester Road, BA21 9TR (T: 01935 474591)**Club Website:** www.yeovilrugbyclub.org.uk**Chairman:** Stu Froude, 161 Combe St Land, Yeovil BA21 3PG (M: 07968 135133; E: stu.froude@sky.com)**Secretary:** Alice Edmonds, 131 Rosebery Avenue, Yeovil BA21 5LF (M: 07946 378203; E: natural-blond2000@hotmail.com)**Treasurer:** Laura Heatley, 8 Cromwell Road, Yeovil BA21 5AW (M: 07795 517328; E: lauraheatley@hotmail.com)**Fixtures Secretary:** Rich Gaston, 12 Combe Park, Yeovil BA21 3BD (H: 01935 472371; E: richgaston@hotmail.co.uk)**Referees Contact:** Rich Gaston, 12 Combe Park, Yeovil BA21 3BD (H: 01935 472371; E: richgaston@hotmail.co.uk)**Club Coach:** Nel Pitman, Rose Cottage, 69 Main St, Ash, Martock TA12 6PB (M: 07551 191533; E: nelpitman@mac.com)**Junior & Youth Secretary:** David Lyes, The Gate House, The Beeches, Langport TA10 9TU (H: 01458 251245; E: darc.lyes@me.com)**Colours:** Black / White Quarters**Directions to ground:** Take A37 out of Yeovil to Dorchester, 1st exit at Red House Pub roundabout.**Teams:** 1st XV, 2nd XV, Women's, U18, U17, U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, Mini.

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Bristol Telephone Area RFC

(Founded 1961)

League: 1st Team - Somerset II North.

Club Address: BTRA Sports Ground, Stockwood Lane, Bristol BS14 8SJ (T: 01275 891776)

Club Website: www.bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk

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

Secretary: Luke Inman, 179 Torrington Avenue, Knowle BS4 1EQ (M: 07456 576162; E: secretary@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Treasurer: Adrian Beech, (M: 07813 163907; E: treasurer@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Fixtures Secretary: Jonny Higgins, (M: 07742 377704; E: fixturesecretary@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Referees Contact: Jonny Higgins, (M: 07742 377704; E: fixturesecretary@bristoltelephonesrfc.co.uk)

Mini & Junior Chair or Vice Chair: Sean Garton (M: 07810 300574; E: garton7@yahoo.co.uk)

Colours: Royal Blue with Red/White

Directions to ground: Take A37 (Wells Road) for approximately 4 miles from City Centre. Turn left at Maes Knoll Pub in Whitchurch, ground is approximately 1 mile on right.

Teams: 1st XV, U18.



RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

CODE OF RUGBY

Everyone involved in Rugby in England, whether as a player, coach, referee, administrator, parent or spectator is expected to uphold the Core Values of our sport.

Teamwork	Respect	Enjoyment	Discipline	Sportsmanship
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- ✓ Play to win – but not at all costs.
- ✓ Win with dignity, lose with grace.
- ✓ Observe the Laws and regulations of the game.
- ✓ Respect opponents, referees and all participants.
- ✓ Reject cheating, racism, violence and drugs.
- ✓ Value volunteers and paid officials alike.
- ✓ Enjoy the game.

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14 Team Leagues

(Level 5 & below)

Saturday	Internationals	
25 August 2018		
1 September 2018		Lge 1
8 September 2018		Lge 2
15 September 2018		Lge 3
22 September 2018		Lge 4
29 September 2018		Lge 5
6 October 2018		Lge 6
13 October 2018		Reserve/Cup
20 October 2018		Lge 7
27 October 2018		Lge 8
3 November 2018	Eng v SA	Lge 9
10 November 2018	Eng v NZ	Reserve/Cup
17 November 2018	Eng v Jpn	Lge 10
24 November 2018	Eng v Aus	Lge 11
1 December 2018		Lge 12
8 December 2018		Lge 13
15 December 2018		Lge 14
22 December 2018		Reserve
29 December 2018		
5 January 2019		Lge 15
12 January 2019		Lge 16
19 January 2019		Lge 17
26 January 2019		Lge 18
2 February 2019	Ire v Eng (16:45)	Reserve/Cup
9 February 2019	Eng v Fra (Sun 15:00)	Lge 19
16 February 2019		Lge 20
23 February 2019	Wal v Eng (16:45)	Reserve/Cup
2 March 2019		Lge 21
9 March 2019	Eng v Ita (16:45)	Lge 22
16 March 2019	Eng v Sco (17:00)	Reserve/Cup
23 March 2019		Lge 23
30 March 2019		Lge 24
6 April 2019		Lge 25
13 April 2019		Lge 26
ES 20 April 2019		Reserve/Cup SF
27 April 2019		PO
4 May 2019		Cup F
11 May 2019		
18 May 2019		
25 May 2019	England International	
1 June 2019		

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Reserve/Cup	
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12 Team Leagues (Level 7 & below)	10 Team Leagues (Level 7 & below)	8 Team Leagues (Level 7 & below)	
			Saturday
			25 August 2018
			1 September 2018
Lge 1			8 September 2018
Lge 2	Lge 1		15 September 2018
Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup		22 September 2018
Lge 3	Lge 2	Lge 1	29 September 2018
Lge 4	Lge 3	Lge 2	6 October 2018
Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	13 October 2018
Lge 5	Lge 4	Lge 3	20 October 2018
Lge 6	Lge 5	Lge 4	27 October 2018
Lge 7	Lge 6	Reserve/Cup	3 November 2018
Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	10 November 2018
Lge 8	Lge 7	Lge 5	17 November 2018
Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	24 November 2018
Lge 9	Lge 8	Lge 6	1 December 2018
Lge 10	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	8 December 2018
Lge 11	Lge 9	Lge 7	15 December 2018
			22 December 2018
			29 December 2018
Lge 12	Lge 10	Lge 8	5 January 2019
Lge 13	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	12 January 2019
Lge 14	Lge 11	Lge 9	19 January 2019
Lge 15	Lge 12	Lge 10	26 January 2019
Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	2 February 2019
Lge 16	Lge 13	Lge 11	9 February 2019
Lge 17	Lge 14	Lge 12	16 February 2019
Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	23 February 2019
Lge 18	Lge 15	Lge 13	2 March 2019
Lge 19	Lge 16	Reserve/Cup	9 March 2019
Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	16 March 2019
Lge 20	Lge 17	Lge 14	23 March 2019
Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	30 March 2019
Lge 21	Lge 18	Reserve/Cup	6 April 2019
Lge 22	Reserve/Cup	Reserve/Cup	13 April 2019
Reserve/Cup SF	Reserve/Cup SF	Reserve/Cup	20 April 2019
PO	PO	PO	27 April 2019
Cup F	Cup F	Cup F	4 May 2019
			11 May 2019
			18 May 2019
			25 May 2019
			1 June 2019

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J.S. Wride.....	11
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Somerset Referee's Society Report 2017/18

I'm honoured to be the chairman of Somerset Referee's Society a position I took up two seasons ago. However, as chairman I was shocked as was the whole society at the very sad news that our Hon Treasurer Jenny O'Connell had passed away. Jenny had been a member of the society for over twenty years and many of you will remember her. The President and I with Jenny's husband's agreement decided to honour Jenny by forming the Jenny O'Connell award. The award was presented by her husband Rory to Harry Vince at our annual dinner.

This season has seen many changes within the RFU and many of those changes have affected us as referees and you as a club. One of the changes being the high tackle law, which is still under review; I believe that Somerset has adopted a position which has been in line with recommendations and fair to all club players. The youth academy continues to grow but, I'm disappointed that we have not been able to recruit any women referees this season. However, with funding from the RFRU our new constituency body, we have launched a new interactive web site. The aim of this web site is to be more visible but, make recruitment easier for those who wish to become rugby referees. I am pleased to say that within days of the web site going live a new member joined the society.

Retention of referees is a national problem with somewhere in the region of 20% of referees leaving the game each season. This, at the moment is not the trend in Somerset and I would like to thank every club for their kind hospitality each weekend, regardless of the result. This season we officiated at 1120 games and only twelve Somerset three games were played without a society referee. This is a big step forward and part of the executives three year plan, of which we are in year two.

I'm also pleased to say that this season one referee and one match observer were asked to join the SWG, the society is also represented on the executive of the SWG. This I believe continues to show that Somerset Referees Society is still producing match officials of the highest quality.

I have said that the RFRU is now the society's constituency body however; we still work very closely with Somerset RFU and look to build on our close friendship in seasons to come.

In closing I take this opportunity to thank each and every referee for their commitment to the game, and thank the executive for all the hard work which has

taken place behind the scenes to make sure Somerset Referee's Society runs smoothly.

*Bruce Marshall
Chairman*

SAFEGUARDING GUIDANCE FOR MATCH OFFICIALS

When refereeing young players match officials should:

- Recognise the importance of fun and enjoyment when officiating young players
- Provide verbal feedback in a positive way during games
- Appreciate the needs of the players
- Be a positive role model
- Recognise that safety is paramount
- Explain decisions – most young players are still learning
- Do not tolerate verbal abuse

Officials should not:

- Change in the same area as young players
- Shower with young players – agree with the coaches a timetable
- Be alone with young players at any time – if a young player comes into the dressing room ensure another adult is present
- Check studs without the coach being present
- Administer first aid
- Allow a young player to continue playing if you have doubts about their fitness
- Tolerate bad language from young players
- Engage in any inappropriate contact with young players
- Give a lift to a player unless there are other young people or adults in the car and the parents are aware
- Take a young player to your home
- Overtly criticise young players or use language which may cause the player to lose confidence or self esteem
- Make sexually explicit remarks to young players even in fun

Officials must always

Report, in writing, to the Club or CB Safeguarding Officer and/or Society Secretary, behaviour by adults which you feel contravenes RFU Safeguarding Policy

Verbal bullying by coaches/parents/spectators

Physical Abuse by coaches/parents/spectators

Inappropriate or aggressive contact by an adult to a young person

Verbal abuse directed at you by young people or adults

**REMEMBER: THE WELFARE OF ALL YOUNG PEOPLE IS
PARAMOUNT**

**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”
- 2 DEFINITIONS:** Except where otherwise defined, the words and expressions 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 youth 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 the World Rugby Regulations and the Rules of the 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 undischarged of monies borrowed and of the amount of the proposed borrowing shall not exceed 100,000 pounds 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 benefit of the Constituent.

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 shall be a member of the Committee other than those members co-opted under Rule 11.2, unless he or she is 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 the secretary of which is a Member as its nominee must immediately following a change of its secretary notify the Honorary 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 Honorary Secretary written notice of the intention so to 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 for any infringement of these Rules, any Regulation or any Rules or Regulations of the Union, the Laws of the Game or the IRB Regulations or any conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Constituent Body or the Game, and the Constituent Body 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 Honorary 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.

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 other nominated person. If such secretary or nominated person for the time being is also a member of the Constituent Body in his or her own right he or she may in addition cast a vote in his or her 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 one pound 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 Chairman 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 Chairman of the Meeting.

7.4 The quorum at any General Meeting shall be 20 Members.

7.5 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.

7.6 All resolutions shall be decided by a majority of votes recorded except where:-

7.6.1 these Rules provide for a special resolution which shall require a majority of at least two-thirds of the votes recorded or

7.6.2 a resolution is put to an Annual General Meeting as contemplated by rule 8.1.7.2 in which case the provisions of the Act as to voting shall apply

7.7 A declaration by the Chairman 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.

7.8 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.

7.9 The procedure for conduct of General Meetings shall be prescribed by the Committee and details thereof shall be kept by the Honorary 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 receive and approve a Financial Statement for the preceding financial year and where necessary in law or where the members require the Auditors' Report thereon.

8.1.4 To elect the Officers for the ensuing year.

8.1.5 To elect Members of the Committee for the ensuing year

8.1.6 Where necessary in law or where the members require:

8.1.6.1 To appoint the Auditors for the ensuing year or

8.1.6.2 To consider a resolution disapplying the provisions of the Act relating to the obligation to appoint Auditors

8.1.7 To consider as a special resolution any addition or alteration to these rules duly proposed in accordance with Rule 8.5

8.1.8 To consider any other motion or business duly proposed in accordance with Rule 8.5

8.1.9 To consider any other business of which due notice shall have been given.

8.1.10 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 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.

8.3 The election of the Officers shall be subject to the following provisions:

8.3.1 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 Honorary Secretary by 30th April. The Committee shall also have the right to make nominations for the election of Officers.

8.3.2 The election of each Officer shall be decided by a majority of votes recorded.

8.3.3 In the event of an equal number of votes being cast for two or more candidates 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.

8.4 The election of Committee Members shall be subject to the following provisions:

8.4.1 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.

8.4.2 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.

8.4.3 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 8.4.6. 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 then a ballot will be held of the clubs in that Division. The ballot should be conducted in writing with each club of 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 shall also nominate prior to 30 April in each year one of its members to sit on the Committee.

8.4.4 A Representative nominated for a particular Division need not necessarily be resident in that Division.

8.4.5 Each Divisional Representative shall hold office for a period of three (3) years (DR Term) from the date of being elected. Should a 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 his 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 he is elected.

8.5 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:

8.5.1 Any proposal shall be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretary by 30th April duly proposed by one Member and seconded by another.

8.5.2 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.

8.5.3 Amendments to any proposal notified to Members under Rule 8.5.2 shall be sent in writing so as to reach the Honorary Secretary duly proposed and seconded not less than twenty-four hours before the time for which the Annual General Meeting is convened.

8.5.4 Amendments duly received in accordance with Rule 8.5.3 shall be added to the agenda by the Chairman 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 Honorary Secretary duly proposed and seconded by Members in the same manner as is prescribed by Rule 8.5.3 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 Chairman of the Special General Meeting.

9.2 The Committee shall also convene a Special General Meeting on receipt by the Honorary 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 Honorary 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 Honorary Secretary duly proposed and seconded by Members in the same manner as is prescribed by Rule 8.5.3.

9.2.3 Amendments duly received in accordance with Rule 9.2.2 shall be added to the agenda by the Chairman 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 Honorary 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 Honorary 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 Chairman of any Sub-Committee 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 thirty three per cent 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 either for general or special service and with or without voting rights.

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 Honorary Secretary and be available for inspection by Members at all reasonable times.

11.5 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, an Honorary 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 8.3.

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 only 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 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.

13.2 The Committee shall each year elect its own Chairman for the ensuing year to hold office from the date of the Annual General Meeting until the date of the following year's Meeting. He 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 Honorary Secretary and one Member of the Committee. 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 and a printed copy of the signed Financial Statement, together with the Auditors' report thereon, 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 Honorary 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 11 Venus Lane, Clutton, Bristol BS39 5SP 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 Honorary 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 Honorary 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 Honorary 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 22.1.1, 22.1.4, and 22.1.5 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 22.1.2 and 22.1.3 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 Honorary 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

24.1 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 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 his or her 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 Chairman 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.
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
Honorary Secretary	means the Honorary 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 IRB from time to time according to which the Game is played throughout the world.
Member	means a member of the Constituent Body.
Officer's	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
Representative(s)	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
Rules	means the Rules of the Constituent Body for the time being registered with the Registrar.
Union	means the Rugby Football Union
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.

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

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 shall 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:

1.1 (a) Free admission to any Somerset club ground (and a stand ticket if available) for any home County friendly fixture.

1.2 (b) Apply to purchase standard 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.

1.3 (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 Honorary Secretary not later than 30th April in each year.

4. OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBER CLUBS: All Clubs in membership are required to abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Rugby Football Union.

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 Honorary Secretary of the Constituent Body. All changes in Secretaries and any changes in addresses must be advised to the Honorary 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 that he complies 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 1 hoops with white collar) and black shorts. A player who plays in his 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, he shall be awarded a County blazer badge. When a player has played in twenty County Championship or other matches recognised by the Committee, he 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 his 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 Honorary 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 General Meeting, by the Chairman 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 General 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 Honorary Secretary of the Constituent Body, shall be brought before the meeting for ratification or otherwise.

RULES OF THE SOMERSET COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION REFEREES' SOCIETY LIMITED

NAME, OBJECTS & POWERS

1 NAME

The Society shall be called the Somerset County Rugby Football Union Referees Society Limited.

2 DEFINITIONS

Except where the context otherwise permits or requires, the words and expressions listed in the Schedule of Definitions set out in Rule 31 shall bear the meanings given to them therein.

3 OBJECTS

The objects of the Society shall be:

- 3.1 To administer all aspects of officiating of the game on behalf of the Rugby Football Union and to comply with and uphold the Rules and

Regulations of the RFU and World Rugby as amended from time to time and the Rules and regulations of any body to which the RFU is registered or affiliated.

3.2 To promote encourage and extend the officiating of the Game including (but not limited to) the recruitment, administration and training of referees) match observers, touch judges (assistant referees) and referee coaches.

3.3 To ensure that the Game is refereed in accordance with the Laws of the Game and is administered in accordance with the IRB Regulations and the Rules of the Union and the Referees Union.

4 POWERS OF THE SOCIETY

To further its objects the Society shall have the power to do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the objects of the Society 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 Society for the objects of the Society 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 Society 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 Society 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 Society whether or not including any floating charge of the whole or part of the undertaking property and assets of the Society both present and future.

4.2.2 At the time of any borrowing the sum of the amount then remaining undischarged of monies borrowed and of the amount of the proposed borrowing shall not exceed 50,000 pounds 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 Society 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 Society or any of its subsidiaries or other persons or corporations in whose business or undertaking the Society is interested, or to whom or in respect of whom the Society 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 Society by a trust deed or other assurance.

4.4 To accept and grant sponsorship and franchises and to 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 Society 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 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 benefit, or is calculated so to benefit, the Society or its activities or its employees, ex employees, referees, former referees or their dependants.

4.8 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.

4.9 To provide pensions, insurances and other benefits to employees

or to ex-employees of the Society 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.

4.10 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.

4.11 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 Society.

4.12 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 Society.

5 MEMBERS

5.1 The members of the Society shall be the individual persons whose names are for the time being entered in the Register of Members.

5.2 Only members of the Society shall be eligible to be elected to the Committee.

5.3 All members of the Committee excluding those members co-opted under Rule 11.2 shall be Members for such period as they are Committee Members.

5.4 Subject to Rule 5.3 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.

5.5 A Member may withdraw from the Society at any time by giving to the Honorary 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 Society.

5.6 A Member shall be liable to termination or suspension of membership or to other appropriate punishment by the Society for any infringement of these Rules, any Regulation or any Rules or Regulations of the Union, the Regulations of the Referees Union, the Laws of the Game or the IRB Regulations or any conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Society or the Game. The procedure for the exercise of this power shall be as prescribed by the Committee and details thereof shall be kept by the Honorary Secretary and be available for inspection by the Members at all reasonable times

5.7 A Member shall cease to be a Member:

5.7.1 On resignation in writing

5.7.2 On termination of membership by the Committee

5.8 Grievance. Any member having a ground of complaint or other grievance against the

5.9 Society shall give notice thereof, in writing, to the Honorary Secretary subsequent to which the same shall be considered by the Committee and unless considered frivolous will be investigated as appropriate. The Member will be informed of the outcome of the Committee's determination, in writing, by the Honorary Secretary within 42 days of receipt of the notice. If the member wishes to appeal against the determination he should give Notice, in writing, within 7 days of receipt of the determination stating the ground(s) of the appeal and the Committee will within 14 days of the receipt of such notice convene an Appeals Panel whose decision shall be final. No person in any way involved in making the original determination may serve on the Appeals Panel

6 SHARE CAPITAL

6.1 The capital of the Society 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 Society. No person who is not a Member shall be issued with a share.

6.3 Each Member of the Society at the date these rules take effect pursuant to Rule 26 who is eligible to be a Member, shall be allocated one share in the name of that Member.

6.4 Any Member 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 No share shall be held jointly, be withdrawable or 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 shall if the Committee so decides be deemed to have withdrawn from the Society as from the date of such transfer or attempted transfer.

6.6 The Share of a Member shall be forfeited to the Society 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 Society.

6.7 The Society shall not be required to issue a certificate to any Member in respect of the share allotted to that Member.

GENERAL MEETINGS

7 GENERAL MEETINGS

7.1 All General Meetings shall be held at such location within the geographical region of the Society 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 Chairman of all such meetings shall be the President of the Society or the Immediate Past President or a member of the Society elected from amongst those present

7.3 Every Member shall be entitled to attend and vote at any General Meeting. Voting at General Meetings shall be by a show of hands of those present entitled to vote and votes cast by post or email. Votes cast by post or email must be lodged with the Honorary Secretary at least 48 hours before the time the meeting is due to commence. If any one member requests a secret ballot then that shall be the procedure adopted.

7.4 The quorum at any General Meeting shall be 20 Members.

7.5 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.

7.6 All resolutions shall be decided by a majority of votes recorded except where:

7.6.1 These Rules provide for a special resolution which shall require a majority of at least two thirds of the votes recorded or

7.6.2 A resolution is put to an Annual General Meeting as contemplated by Rule 8.1.8.2 in which case the provisions of the Act as to voting shall apply.

7.7 A declaration by the Chairman 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.

7.8 A General Meeting shall not be invalidated by reason only of any Member failing to receive a notice thereof or any accompanying document relating thereto.

7.9 The procedure for conduct of General Meetings shall be prescribed by the Committee and details thereof shall be kept by the Honorary Secretary and be available for inspection by Members at all reasonable times.

8 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

8.1 Not later than 31st July 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 Society since the previous Annual General Meeting.

8.1.3 To receive and approve a Financial Statement for the preceding financial year and where necessary in law or the members require the Auditors Report thereon.

8.1.4 To elect the following Officers for the ensuing year.

8.1.4.1 The President

8.1.4.2 The Chairman of the Committee

8.1.4.3 The Vice-Chairman of the Committee

8.1.4.4 The Honorary Secretary

8.1.4.5 The Honorary Treasurer

8.1.5 To elect Vice-Presidents

8.1.6 To elect the following for the ensuing year, who shall be members of the Committee:

8.1.6.1 The Chairman of the Appointments Sub-Committee

8.1.6.2 The Chairman of the Grading Sub-Committee

8.1.6.3 The Chairman of the Finance Sub-Committee

8.1.6.4 The Chairman of the Recruitment and Retention Sub-Committee

8.1.6.5 The Chairman of the Training and Development Sub-Committee

8.1.6.6 Two additional members of the Committee

8.1.7 The following shall also be members of the Committee

8.1.7.1 The Immediate Past President, (ex-officio)

8.1.7.2 The representative of the Somerset RFU

8.1.8 Where necessary in law or where the Members require:

8.1.8.1 To appoint the auditors for the ensuing year.

8.1.8.2 To consider a resolution disapplying the provisions of the Act relating to the obligation to appoint Auditors.

8.1.9 To consider as a special resolution any addition or alteration to these Rules duly proposed in accordance with rule 8.4.

8.1.10 To consider any other motion or business duly proposed in accordance with Rule 8.4

8.1.11 To consider any other business of which due notice shall have been given.

8.2 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 Society's Financial Statement for the preceding financial year.

8.3 The election of the Officers and Committee Members shall be subject to the following provisions:

8.3.1 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 or to the Committee. Such nominations must be sent in writing so as to reach the Honorary Secretary 28 days before the Annual General Meeting. The Committee shall also have the right to make nominations for the election of Officers. The Honorary Secretary shall circulate to every member the details of each candidate together with postal voting forms and a Financial Statement not less than 14 days prior to the date of the meeting.

8.3.2 The election of each Officer and Committee Member shall be decided by a majority of votes recorded.

8.3.3 In the event of an equal number of votes being cast for two or more candidates for any office or for any Committee Member 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 decision as to the person elected shall be made by the casting vote of the Chairman of the meeting

8.4 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:

8.4.1 Any proposal shall be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretary 28 days before the Annual General Meeting duly proposed by one Member and seconded by another.

8.4.2 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.

8.4.3 Amendments to any proposal notified to Members under Rule 8.4.2 shall be sent in writing so as to reach the Honorary Secretary duly proposed and seconded not less than twenty-four hours before the time for which the Annual General Meeting is convened.

8.4.4 Amendments duly received in accordance with Rule 8.4.3 shall be added to the agenda by the Chairman 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 Honorary Secretary duly proposed and seconded by Members in the same manner as is prescribed by Rule 8.4.3 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 Chairman of the Special General Meeting.

9.2 The Committee shall also convene a Special General Meeting on receipt by the Honorary 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 Honorary 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 Honorary Secretary duly proposed and seconded by Members in the same manner as is prescribed by Rule 8.4.3.

9.2.3 Amendments duly received in accordance with Rule 9.2.2 shall be added to the Agenda by the Chairman 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 8.4 or at a Special General Meeting convened by the Committee in accordance with Rule 9. 1.

10.2 The Honorary 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 Honorary 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.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

11 POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The affairs of the Society shall be administered by the Committee which shall exercise all the powers of the Society 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 Society.

11.1.1 The Committee shall determine the composition, powers and terms of reference of each Sub-Committee.

11.1.2 The Chairman of any Sub-Committee 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 provisions similar to those in Rule 11.2.

11.2 The Committee shall have the power to co-opt additional members to serve on it provided that the number of such co-opted members shall not exceed one quarter 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 cooption of additional members to serve on any Sub-Committee, in both cases either for general or special service and with or without voting rights.

11.3 The Committee shall not exercise its powers in any way or for any purpose inconsistent with the objects of the Society.

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 Honorary Secretary and be available for inspection by Members at all reasonable times.

11.5 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 Society shall be The President, the Chairman the Vice-Chairman the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, and such other Officers as the Society may in General Meeting from time to time determine.

12.2 The Officers of the Society shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting in accordance with Rule 8.3.

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 those persons elected under Rules 8.1.4 and 8.1.6 and those named under 8.1.7

13.2 A Member of the Committee shall hold office from the end of the Annual General Meeting at which he is elected until the end of the following Annual General Meeting, and shall be eligible for re-election from year to year.

13.3 The quorum at any meeting of the Committee shall be at least one third of itsMembers.

13.4 The chairman of any meeting shall be entitled to a second or casting vote.

13.5 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.

13.6 If a Member of the Committee shall commit an offence under rule 5.6 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.

13.7 Committee Members shall receive no remuneration for serving on the Committee other than payment of authorised expenses for carrying out their duties.

14 ASSOCIATES

The Committee may appoint Associates of the Society. Such Associates shall not be members of the Society and shall not have the right to vote at General Meetings but will have such rights as the Committee may decide, and will pay an annual subscription as fixed by the Committee.

FINANCE

15 SOCIETY FINANCE

15.1 The Society's income shall be obtained annually from the subscriptions of Members, from charges levied upon the Clubs, from investments and securities, from sponsorship and from any other available sources.

15.2 The profits of the Society shall be applied only in furthering the objects of the Society.

15.3 The Society shall not have power to receive money on deposit from Members or others.

15.4 A Financial Statement of the Society's affairs shall be made up to 31 August in each year (or such other date as may be determined from time to time by the Society in General Meeting) and shall when approved be signed by the Chairman of the Finance Sub-Committee the Honorary Secretary and one Member of the Committee. 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 and a printed copy of the signed Financial Statement, together with the auditors report thereon, shall be sent to each Member with the notice calling an Annual General Meeting.

15.5 The Society 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 Society. In furtherance of such a scheme the Society 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 Society by the Honorary Secretary or as otherwise determined pursuant to these Rules.

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.

STATUTORY PROCEDURES

17 REGISTERED OFFICE

17.1 The registered offices of the Society shall be at The Island House, Midsomer Norton, Radstock, Somerset BA3 2DZ or at such other

location in England as the Committee may from time to time otherwise determine.

17.2 Notice of any change in the situation of the registered office shall be given by the Honorary Secretary to the Registrar within fourteen days after the change.

18 USE OF NAME OF THE SOCIETY

18.1 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 Society are carried on.

18.2 The name shall be stated in legible characters in all business letters of the Society, in all notices, advertisements and other official publications of the Society, 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 Society, and in all bills, invoices receipts and letters of credit of the Society.

18.3 Save with the authority of the Committee, the name of the Society 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 Society or the Committee.

19 SEAL

The Society shall have its name engraved in legible characters on a seal which shall be kept in the custody of the Honorary 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.

20 REGISTER OF MEMBERS

20.1 The Society shall keep in its registered office a Register of Members and Officers in which the Honorary Secretary shall enter the following particulars

20.1.1 The name and address of each Member

20.1.2 A statement of the share held by each Member and the amount paid therefor.

20.1.3 A statement of other property, if any, in the Society held by each Member whether in loans or otherwise.

20.1.4 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.

20.1.5 The names and addresses of the Officers of the Society with the offices held by them respectively and the date on which they assumed and left office.

20.2 The Register of Members and Officers shall be so constructed that it is possible to open to inspection the particulars entered pursuant to Rules 20.1.1, 20.1.4 and 20.1.5 without also opening to inspection the other particulars entered in the Register.

21 INSPECTION OF BOOKS

All Members and persons having an interest in the funds of the Society 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 20.1.2 and 20.1.3 at all reasonable hours at the registered office of the Society 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.

22 ANNUAL RETURN

22.1 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 Honorary Secretary shall send to the Registrar the Annual Return in the form prescribed by the Registrar relating to the affairs of the Society for the period required by the Act to be included in the Return together with a copy of the Financial Statement of the Society 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.

22.2 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 Society.

23 PUBLICATION OF ACCOUNTS

The Society 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 the registered office.

24 REGISTRATION

These Rules shall take effect on and from the date of their registration pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Co-Operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014

25 DISSOLUTION

In the event of it having to become necessary for the Members to discontinue the activities of the Society and to dissolve the Society 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.

GENERAL

26 CONTINUITY

For the avoidance of doubt every Member of the Society who at the date these Rules take effect pursuant to Rule 24 holds office or position in any capacity in the Society (including the position of Vice Presidents) 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.

27 INDEMNITY

Each Officer and employee from time to time of the Society 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 Society 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 Society 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 employee or as a Member of the Committee or any Sub-Committee as the case may be.

28 NOTICES

Any notice or other communication or document sent to a Member, Officer or Member of the Committee shall be treated as having been duly delivered twenty four hours after the time when it was dispatched.

29 ARBITRATION

Every dispute of the type specified in the Co-Operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 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.

30 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 chairman 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.

31 SCHEDULE OF DEFINITIONS

The Act	means the Co-Operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014
Auditors	means the Auditors of the Society for the time being.
Society	means The Somerset County Rugby Football Union Referees Society 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
Member of the Committee	means a Balance Sheet together with a Statement of Accounts showing Income and Expenditure.
Financial Statement	means the game of Rugby Union Football.
Game	means a general meeting of Members.
General Meeting	means the Honorary Secretary of the Society for the time being.
IRB	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.

World Rugby Regulations	means the Resolutions and Regulations relating to the Game promulgated by the World Rugby from time to time.
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 Society.
Officers	means the officers designated in Rule 12.
"Referees Union"	means the Rugby Football Referees' Union.
Registrar	means the Chief Registrar and Assistant Registrars for England in the Central office of the Financial Services Authority and shall include the statutory successor carrying on the relevant functions of any of them.
Regulation	means a resolution, regulation or instruction made in accordance with Rule 4.11.
Rules	means the Rules of the Society for the time being registered with the Registrar.
Union	means the Rugby Football Union.
Gender	All references to the male gender shall apply equally to the female gender.
Communication	Where communication with Members is concerned "written" or "in writing" shall include sending such communication electronically.

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2018 – 2019 SEASON

**TO ALL CLUBS AFFILIATED TO THE SOMERSET
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Please admit Holder to all
County Friendly matches,
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and other matches as designated by the
County Committee of Management.

PLEASE NOTE

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