

What's happening at the Rugby Club ?

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1. Return your Draw Tickets

We need tickets returned to the Club by the end of February, but the sooner the better so **please start sending them back in** either through your coordinator, or direct to the Club.

Just put the stubs in an envelope with the cash, write your name on the front, and hand them in to the office – please **do not post** them in the letterbox, as it is not secure.

2. 1st and 2nd XV Fixtures

We have only one home game for our first XV in February. Fixtures are :

- 2 February v. No fixture
- 09 February v. Malton & Norton [H]
- 16 February v. Bradford & Bingley [A]
- 23 February v. No fixture

Our 2nd XV have two home fixtures

- 2 February v. Ilkley [A] - cancelled
- 09 February v. No fixture
- 16 February v. Yarnbury [H]
- 23 February v. Derby [H]

You can see fixtures for all our teams, both senior and junior, on the website :

- senior fixtures at www.driffieldruffc.com/1st-xv-fixtures-results/
- mini and junior fixtures at www.driffieldruffc.com/whats-going-on-at-the-club/

3. Ladies Rugby

Our Ladies XV have two home fixtures in February :

- 8 February v. Leeds Medics & Dentists [H] – floodlit
- 17 February v. Hornsea [H]
- 24 February v. Doncaster [A]

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Training sessions take place every Wednesday at the Kelleythorpe Training Pitch from 6-7 pm for girls and 7-8.15 pm for Ladies (16+).

4. Mini Junior Rugby Festival on Sunday, 14 April

This annual festival will run once again, and has become so popular that four clubs have already confirmed that they will be sending sides at every age grade. Broach Hill Garage will support the event this year, promoting both their MG and Ssang Yong ranges of vehicles.

Volunteers to help with the running of the day are always welcome – if you can spare a few hours please get in touch with Dominic Thompson.

5. Charity Match on Sunday, 26 May

We are holding this event again this year, on Sunday, 26 May – the Bank Holiday weekend – between two teams of Driffield players. As well as an outside bar, there will be music, food and lots of fun for all ages. We are working on the details, and will post them as they become available. In the meantime, why not make a note in your diary - we hope to see you at the Club ?

6. Watch England before they depart for Japan

Don't miss out on the final opportunity to watch England before they depart for Japan, when they play three Summer 2019 Quilter Internationals, with two matches at Twickenham and one at St James Park, Newcastle. Tickets are available from just £25.

You can buy tickets direct from the RFU <https://www.eticketing.co.uk/rfu/> for these games :

- Sunday, 11 August v. Wales at Twickenham (KO 14:00)
- Saturday, 24 August v. Ireland at Twickenham (KO 15:00)
- Friday, 6 September v. Italy at St James Park (KO 19:45)

The team are in action in the North-East as they play Italy on Friday 6 September at St James' Park in Newcastle during the Quilter Internationals 2019. You can buy up to eight tickets for this game, subject to availability, with selected tickets available from £25 for adults and £15 for juniors.

7. And finally ... Statistics

Congratulations to Sam Syson who has now played his 100th game of senior rugby for the Club.

James Watts is the Club's highest points-scorer with 132, with the evergreen Colin Lucas just behind on 130.

James Rafter is the highest try-scorer with 16, but Ben Dinsdale is only one behind.

Kyle Turner and James Watts share the award for most games played this season with 20 – Sam Furbank is just one behind.

And Henry Waterhouse has overtaken Jeremy Harrison with total games played since records began in 1995 : 577 v. 571.

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