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1. 1st XV Fixtures

Both our 1st XV's start in the same leagues as last season : the Ladies in National Championship I and the Men in Regional I North East. Both leagues will involve a lot of travelling. September fixtures are:

National Championship I

- Sunday, 17 : Sefton (Away)
- Sunday, 24 : Kendal Wasps Ladies (Home)

Regional I North East

- Saturday, 2 : Harrogate (Home)
- Saturday, 9 : Sandal (Away)
- Saturday, 16 : Scunthorpe (Home)
- Saturday, 23 : Pontefract (Away)
- Saturday, 30 : York (Home)

All of the senior teams' fixtures are available to see on the website. Those for the 1st XV are at <https://www.driffieldruc.com/1st-xv-fixtures-results/> - from that page, you can follow a link to other teams.

2. Yorkshire Cup draw

YRFU has drawn the first round of this competition - we will face Old Brodleians at Kelleythorpe on Saturday, 7 October. Add the date to your diary.

3. Gate Fees

A reminder that, following the decision taken at the AGM in July, the gate fees for Saturday 1st XV games will now be £7. These have not been increased for a very long time and still represent very good value compared with other teams in our league.

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4. Pre-Match Lunches

These have been selling fast, and there are tables available at £36 per person only on the following dates :

- 2 / 30 September
- 7 October

If anyone is interested in any of these dates please contact Kerry Booth at the clubhouse on (01377) 256598.

5. Members Subs now due

Please remember that all subs fall due on 1 September so, if you have not already taken care of them for the season, we would encourage you to do so. Also, that RFU insurance does not cover playing members until they have paid in full for the season, or have set up a Standing Order to cover the full subs, which are :

- Senior Player : £170
- Development Squad : £100
- Player in full-time or further education : £100
- Ladies Player : £115
- Mini/Junior : £110 for first child, and £100 for siblings
- Under 6 : £60
- Touch Rugby: £30 for over-16s, and £15 for under-16s
- Vice President : Donation (at least equal to a non-player member's subscription)
- Non-Playing Member : £70
- Life Member : £1,200
- 10-Year Member : £600

You can pay by :

- BACS to Sort Code 40-10-12; A/c no 61588303; Ref "Surname Initials"
- Credit / debit card at the bar
- Cash
- Cheque : payable to Driffield RUFC Limited

6. Members' Discount Cards

We will reactivate your member's discount card once you have paid for the coming season – we hold any balance on the card until then.

7. Mini Junior Registration Days

We hope Mini / Junior players and parents have had an enjoyable summer break and are looking forward to a new season of rugby at Driffield. This will start with a Registration Day on Sunday, 3 September. We will be in the clubhouse from 10am - 12.30pm when it will be possible for players old and new to register for the season and pay their subs.

If you are unable to attend this Sunday, we will repeat the process on Sunday, 10 September. After that, if you have been unable to make your payment you should contact your Team's Manager or Coach as soon as

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possible since it may not be possible to play games for the club if you are not a paid-up member, and registered with the RFU.

Payment details are as above, but please use Ref "Player surname year group" e.g. Smith U12.

8. Age Grade Player Registration

Parents who have not already done so should log into their RFU account to re-affiliate (now called Register) their age grade players – details of how you login are in the footer of the email that includes this newsletter. If you have received the email then you already have an account, so please do not create a new one – it will create a duplicate. Please only create a new account for a family that is new to Driffield RUFC – you can add a child to an existing parent account.

Parents are now responsible for their own children's data, easing the administration burden on volunteer club administrators. The process allows you to check and update your details, such as a change of address. Details of how to do this are on the club's web page at:

<https://www.driffieldruffc.com/2021/08/28/age-grade-player-affiliation/>

If you are having problems, please contact Brad Webster on driffieldruffc@gmail.com

9. Red Roses tickets on sale

You can now buy tickets to the two games in September direct from the RFU :

- Red Roses v Canada – 2.30pm on Saturday, 23 September at Sandy Park, Exeter
- Red Roses v Canada – 3.00pm on Saturday, 30 September at Stonex Stadium, London

Tickets are available from £10 for adults and £5 for juniors from <https://www.eticketing.co.uk/rfu/>

Tickets are also available for the defence of their title in the TikTok Six Nations :

- Red Roses v Wales – 4.45pm on Saturday, 30 March 2024 at Ashton Gate, Bristol
- Red Roses v Ireland – 2.15pm on Saturday, 20 April 2024 at Twickenham Stadium, London

Tickets are available from £15 for adults and £5 for juniors from <https://www.eticketing.co.uk/rfu/>

10. Six Nations tickets on sale

Members who have paid their subs for the current season can now apply to Adrian Harrison for tickets to the following Home Internationals :

- England v Wales – 4.45pm on Saturday 10 February 2024
- England v Ireland – 4.45pm on Saturday 9 March 2024

Please state :

- which game you wish to attend
- the number of tickets you require
- how many of those are for Juniors (15yrs and under)
- the price you wish to pay for adults from the following tariffs:
 - Premium £175
 - Cat I £158

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- Cat 2 £142
- Cat 3 £124
- Cat 4 £92
- 15yrs & under £30

Please respond direct to Adrian at adrian@dee-atkinson-harrison.co.uk

11. Pensioners' Lunch on Friday, 1 December

Pip Snaith is organising this once again, and would welcome offers of help on the day or financial contributions to the costs. You can email him at philipsnaith@gmail.com or call 07968 983 114.

12. Call for Archive Materials

East Riding of Yorkshire Council's Archives Team is keen to collect material from sports clubs. Do you have a collection of old rugby club photographs, programmes, or other memorabilia ? The Archives Team will discuss with you how best to preserve these valuable memories – contact Brad Webster for more details.

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