



NORTHWICH




JUNIORS 2003—2004

Northwich RUFC - Junior Section http://www.northwichruffc.co.uk/html/junior_teams.html

On a roll!

Two very significant events took part in October, on the **6th** Northwich RUFC won the first Sports Cheshire "Community Club of the Year" award. What an honour for the club and is down to a fantastic effort of all the officials and helpers in the junior section. The award was presented by James Hickman (Commonwealth and Olympic swimmer) and collected, on behalf of the club, by Ken Houghton and Simon Bridle. In addition, Phil Clarke was nominated as coach of the year but was just pipped at the post. By winning this event we were automatically nominated for the BBC North West Awards which will be held on December 1st at the Midland Hotel, Manchester. On the **23rd** we held a schools World Cup Tag competition at Moss Farm. What a fantastic day which ran very smoothly with the eventual winners being the USA (Darwin Street). Over 200 school children from 18 schools took part, thanks to all the coaches and helpers who made the day a real success. Local MP, Mike Hall, awarded the prizes and we received very good coverage in both the Guardian and Chronicle in the Northwich, Middlewich and Winsford areas. Special thanks to Cosgrove Engineering for providing all participating teams with T shirts bearing the school's adopted country.



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UP COMING DATES!

-Saturday 20th December Xmas Party
-Sunday 21st December Minis
Christmas Party
-Saturday 14th February
Spring Ball—
book your tickets NOW!

Registration & Recruitment

Thank you everyone for helping us to get all the junior players registered. There are now over 140 registered junior players. If you have not given a form to your coach or to me please do so immediately as unregistered players will not be allowed to play after the end of November. A large proportion of you have already paid our subscription, so thank you. Again if you have not paid (junior member £25—family £40) please make arrangements with your coach a.s.a.p. I'm happy to say that the club membership has increased substantially this year. This means that we now have just enough players to make a dedicated U9 team and have split the combined U14/U15 group into separate teams. However we are still looking for some additional U15 players. Please advise us if you know someone that would like to play.

Sponsorship

I've been working very hard to get additional sponsorship for the club. I'm now pleased to announce that locals companies Telescaff and Packaging Online (POL) have agreed to sponsor a set of team shirts each. Churchhill Gallery of Knutsford have also given us over £2000 worth of greetings cards to sell to members and friends. (See Wendy & Lorraine to take a closer look). If you know someone who would be interested in helping with club costs please let me know. Shirt sponsorship is £400 per team and will include mention of the company on our web site which is currently seeing activity at 4500 hits per month.

Powergen Proficiency Awards—Update

Back in September Sale Sharks put over 80 of our players through their paces in the Powergen Proficiency Award scheme. 15 players received the gold award and were presented with their certificates last week before Sale Sharks home match against London Irish. Silver and bronze certificates will be awarded shortly.

Christmas Parties & social calendar

Top of the agenda on the next junior committee meeting is our social calendar. We are finalising details to hold Christmas parties for all the juniors and dates and details will follow. The Spring Ball is nearly finalised and will be held at Portal Golf Club on February 14th, tickets on sale shortly. Pre bookings by email to Ken Houghton. It is my intention to hold family events through the year and will be detailed in the next newsletter.

Moss Farm club house

Just a quick reminder about Moss Farm, no dogs please and if you have dirty kit from a match or training please take shower or change into something clean before going into the club house.

Junior Section fixtures 2003-4

DATE	U 16'S	H/A	U 14'S	H/A	U 13'S	H/A	MINIS U7/8's to U12's	H/A	NOTES / RUGBY WORLD CUP
Nov-9	ORRELL	H					ORRELL	H	Quarter Finals 3 & 4
16	W'PARK	H	W'PARK	H					Semi Final -2
23							M'CHESTER / LEIGH	A	Matches at Manchester
30	WIRRAL	A	WIRRAL	A	WIRRAL	H	C/NANTWICH	H	
Dec-7	WHITCHURCH	A	WHITCHURCH	A	WHITCHURCH	H			
14	CHESTER	H	CHESTER	H	CHESTER	A			
Jan-11	LYMM	H	LYMM	H	LYMM	A			
18	C/NANTWICH	A	C/NANTWICH	A	C/NANTWICH	H			
25							SANDBACH/W'PARK	A	Matches at Warrington Park
Feb-1			CONGLETON	H	CONGLETON	H			
8	OLDERSHAW	H							
15							WHITCHURCH	A	
22	WIRRAL	H	WIRRAL	H	WIRRAL	A	ORMSKIRK	H	
29							CHESTER	A	
Mar-7	WHITCHURCH	H	WHITCHURCH	H	WHITCHURCH	A	CHESHIRE CUP	A	
14	M'CHESTER	A	M'CHESTER	H	M'CHESTER	A	STOCKPORT	H	
21									
28							C/NANTWICH	A	
Apr-4	ORMSKIRK	A	ORMSKIRK	A			LYMM		u'11/12s H u'7-10s A
11	EASTER		EASTER		EASTER				
18							WIRRAL	H	
25	B-HEAD PARK	H	B-HEAD PARK	A	B-HEAD PARK	H	Wrexham Tournament	A	

Northwich Kit & Equipment

Thank you for supporting the club via sales of our approved club kit and accessories. For the winter months Wendy Beesley & Laraine Dodd will be moving their 'shop' into the foyer of the club house. To make sure the players look the part we ask that they wear black and gold Northwich socks and shorts. We have these in all sizes at £4.50 & £10 respectively. New club shirts will be arriving soon for newcomers and for players who have out grown last years' shirts. We also recommend that everyone wears shin pads and mouth guards and if you are buying new boots buy studded boots not 'blades' please. New fleeces for parents have just come in.

Coaches contact details

Some of you have asked for contact details of your team coach. You can find this on the club web site, but for those who want a copy for their notice board back home, please find the latest list below :-

U17 Dave Johnson	01606 872070	U12 Ken Houghton	01606 558677
U16 Mike Naylor	01606 79578	U11 Phil Clarke	01606 781441
U15 Trevor Rawling	01606 871636	U10 Dave Hunt	01606 75996
U14 Malc Griffiths	01606 851866	U 9 Kevin Jones/Daniel Langstown	01606 592494
U13 Ashley Barber	01565 755850	U7 & U8 Dave Sweeney	0797 0066098

You can also use email. All coaches have a dedicated email address on the club web site using their first initial and surname, E.g. kjones@northwichrufc.co.uk.