



Bulldog Bulletin



March 2022 Edition

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Bulldogs are back

Welcome back to all of our players, parents and volunteers. Hopefully, the first couple of sessions have been enjoyable. We can assure you that there are many more to come!

You will have noticed that numbers are very strong, to say we are only really in pre-season training. However, we are always on the lookout for new players, so please get the word out to friends that the Bulldogs is the place to be!

You will also have noted that we have swelled the coaching ranks too. Some of our coaches have recently completed their latest coach education programme, with Sarah, Martin and Stuart all completing the Level 1 UKCC qualification, which was delayed throughout the last two years. Matthew, Craig, James, Dan and Stephen are all booked onto the Level 1 course too and will be undertaking that over the coming two months. Thank you to all of them for their help. I am sure you will agree that they have all made a really positive start.

Midweek training sessions

Wednesday evening sessions will commence on 30th March, the week after the clocks change. This will ensure that we have sufficient natural light to run safe and fun sessions. We will confirm exact session times in the coming week, but the 1 hour sessions are likely to begin at 5.45pm. Please note, during the Easter holidays, there will be no training on Wednesday 13th April.

Girl's team

The new girl's team is up and running! Week two saw the ranks of girls across the two sessions swell to 14, with the promise of more to come in the weeks ahead. This represents a really great start to the project. If you know of any girls in Y6, 7 or 8, who might like to come and have a try-out, please do send them our way.

We would like to thank Tuxford Academy and their PE department in particular, for facilitating our promotional visit a couple of weeks ago. We were invited to present to the whole of the Y7 and Y8 girls cohorts, an offer that we took with open arms! The reception to our message passed all expectations, clearly showing the importance of getting into schools to showcase our club and the opportunities we create here. Given the impressive initial numbers, we are now looking at some fixtures for our girls. More on that when we have it!

Jubilee Weekend (save the date)

On Saturday 4th June, during the Bank Holiday Jubilee Weekend, we are hoping to take part in the opening of the new sports pavilion at the playing field. We have fixtures at all age groups on that morning at home to Immingham Wasps, where we hope to use the facilities for the first time.

In conjunction with the Parish Council and Playing Field Association, we will then be involved in the opening ceremony at around 1pm. You are warmly encouraged to join us for this. There will also be a bring-your-own picnic at the same time, along with an afternoon of games and activities. The Bulldogs will be helping with some of these activities too. So, if you are around, book that whole day in and we are sure to have a great time!



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Fixtures

We will shortly be releasing our full fixture list for the season. We are working hard to secure a good number of games for all age groups. Not all of our opposing teams play with the same age groups, so it will, from time to time, mean that siblings will be playing at different venues. We will try to keep this to a minimum.

All fixtures are subject to alteration, but we try our best to maintain as much of the starting list as possible. Here are some key dates for you as they stand:

Thursday 14th April (Maundy Thursday) U7,8 and 9 teams at Wakefield Trinity Festival
Saturday 28th May, U7 to U11 teams to London Junior Festival and Challenge Cup Final
Saturday 4th June, All ages at home to Immingham Wasps, proposed opening of the pavilion

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Challenge Cup Final and London Junior League Festival, 28th May

Each year we take our Primary age-groups down to London for the annual London Junior League Festival, which this year is to be played at New River Stadium, a short trip away from White Hart Lane, where the Rugby League Challenge Cup Final will take place afterwards.

Tickets can now be booked at the group rate, through the club. For an amazing £24 for adults and £12 for children, not only can you watch the children play in their festival, but you can attend the Cup Final too! It is always a great day out!

Also, the players play their festival, then get to do a lap of honour in the pre-match parade at the Challenge Cup Final itself! Wonderful memories are made.

Membership fees now due

If you have yet to complete your registration and payment, please do so asap. Membership fees for the year will be as follows: 1st child - £95, 2nd and subsequent children - £75

Please send your payments via online banking where possible. The details are as follows:

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Ticket orders need to be with Phil by **Saturday 19th March** please. No payment is required just yet. We are able to lay on a minibus for those who require it. Further details of transport will be made available in due course for those not able to make their own way down to London.

Players in the U12 and above teams can still join us on the trip, but there are no games in the festival for these age groups.

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