



Newsletter

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BUSY TIMES AT THE CLUB



Even though it is the closed season it's all happening at the club house. The two pictures above show how the pitch drainage is progressing and the picture at the side shows Dave McHale repairing the club house floor.

NEW APPOINTMENTS AT THE AGM

Chairman - Steve Brittain

We welcome back Steve to the role of Chairman. We are sure Steve will continue with the club development started by Mark Osborn and the other Directors.

First Team Captain – Ben Richards

Last time Ben was 1st Team Captain we won the league and this is our target again (No pressure there then!)

Social Secretary – Rachel Jones

Rachel has been a member of the Social Committee for some time and now steps up to take over from Jo Osborn.

Bookings Secretary – Sammie Blake

This important role used to be part of the Social Secretaries job but as income from outside events is our most important source of finance we have decided to make this a separate position.

ALDRIDGE FUN RUN

Siobhan Foley (Mrs McNick) is running and invites the rugby club to take part/be involved.

Races of 10k, 4.3k and childrens races... All starting at 9.30am. Details are on: [ARC website](#).





We have been awarded a grant of £500 towards the cost of cleaning up and repairing the club next Saturday. The list below shows that we already have lots of volunteers lined up but we need more. Please come along and help.

Name and jobs for the club work day on the 15th

- Fitting lights
 - Neil Hackett.
- Building vestibule
 - Rob Heath.
 - Nick Brittain.
 - Fraser.
- Refurbish top gate
 - Kip
 - Nic Smith.
 - Fronk.
 - Graham
- Refurbish security gates
 - Chris Worley.
 - Ross Steadman.
- Fixing hole in the floor main hall
 - Dave McHale.
- Painting cellar
 - Jason.
 - Gerwyn Jones.
- Refurbish and tidy the ladies toilets.
 - Mike Chandler.
- Refurbish changing rooms/clean showers.
 - Jo Osborn.
 - Jeff Osbourn.
 - Ish.
- Deep clean the bar.
 - Helen
 - Marg
 - Trish
- General frame filling
 - Mr & Mrs Mc Nick
- Grounds 'gardening'
 - Neil Birt
 - Mark (Bom)
 - CJ
 - Simon Fletcher

NEW LEAGUE STRUCTURE

New league. We stay in the same league group, with a few changes:

Midlands Five West (North):

Aldridge, Birmingham Barbarians, Chaddesley Corbett, Essington, Rugeley, Stourport on Severn, Telford Hornets, Whittington

KEY DATES

Sun 23rd June :Rounders

Ladies v's men rounders match and bar-b-q start at about 12pm.

Sat 29th June : E-Fest

A combined Music and Beer festival featuring loads of live bands all day plus a selection of guest beers. We need volunteers for the bar, please let Helen Chandler know if you can help, and members and friends to come along listen to the bands and drink the beer. President Dave Brawn said last year it was such good fun that when he'd finished his stint on the bar he stayed around for another 2 hours.

Sat 13th July (tbc) :Follow up Clean Up Day

Second day to do painting and the jobs we could not complete on the 15th June.....

July : Training starts

Dates and info to follow.

Sat 31st Aug : Start of the season / first game

STAFF'S VALUED VOLUNTEERS

From the Staffordshire Rugby Union Newsletter
Nick Smith - Essington

Nick Smith joined Essington 6 years ago. In this time he has worked behind the scenes as a committee member, supporting the day to day running of the club and working behind the bar for club outside functions, which are so important to the running of the club.

Nick has always been interested in coaching at the club but his passion was to try and introduce a youth section to the club, this he achieved three seasons ago when he managed to put out an under sixteen team, this led to a number of the players moving in to the senior teams and strengthening the playing squad of the club.

Nick was also keen for Essington to develop a ladies section at the club. This proved to be difficult but with Nick's determination Essington are now running a senior ladies team and is in discussions with a local school academy in supporting rugby at the academy and developing junior sections at the club.

In the past six month Nick has also taken on the role of coaching coordinator for the club and is taking on an active role in the development of new coaches.