



Newsletter

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Staffs President Visit

We are delighted that the Staffordshire RFU President and 3 other Staffordshire Officers will be joining our Vice Presidents Lunch before Saturdays League match v St Leonards

Staffordshire clearly understand the importance of this game as shown in their recent newsletter:-

Midlands 5 West (North): With only 3 games left St Leonards are now installed as the favourites for the title, with wins over Rugeley and Stourport in their last 2 games they have opened a gap of 7 points to 2nd placed Essington, and also have a game in hand. The 2 clubs meet at Essington on March 23rd with Essington needing a bonus point victory to keep alive any hopes of winning the title.

CLUB WEEKEND

Fri 3rd May: Annual Club Dinner Dance

7pm FOR 7.30 START

£32 PER PERSON TO BE PAID BY 20th APRIL

PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME AND FOOD CHOICES

ON THE NOTICE BOARD IN THE CLUB ASAP

DRESS CODE

JACKET & TIE (AND TROUSERS) PLEASE !

STRICTLY NO DENIM

Sat 4th May : InterClub 7s rugby

Sevens rugby and drinks.

Sun 5th May : Chairmans Day

Rugby game 1 : Ladies game.

Rugby game 2 : first team vs the Chairmans.

All followed by a buffet and drinking.

A Word from the Chairman

Hello folks ,

Well this will be one of my last updates .

For those who don't know I am stepping down as chairman at the end of the season . I've now done a total of 7 years at the helm and feel honoured to have been entrusted with leading the club forward . We have made many improvements and still are making them , far too many to mention(yes really). So thank you , to you all who have supported me from players , committee members and family, Its been hard work but we have had some fun . Please keep supporting the club . Please talk to each other and the committee to resolve issues there are no stars at Essington only good friends.

We still have the chance of some silverware , tour and club weekend to look forward to. These all take time and money to organise so if you think you can help , get involved please . Enjoy the rest of the season , cheers ladies and gents its been a pleasure

x Bom
(ex comedy chairman)

Latest Tour Updates

Announcement - 23rd March.

Top secret tour information is being announced at the club this Saturday - at approx 5:30pm. Tourist please be there!

This message ends.

Tour news.....

We have received information about one of our secret missions on Saturday: All tourists need to bring warm outdoor clothing.
This message ends.

Double is done as new kit gets winning outing



Essington Ladies rugby team, complete with new kit, pose for the camera before their win away to Warley Ladies

Warley Ladies 15 Essington Ladies 31

NEWLY-FORMED Essington Ladies followed up their first match 44-20 win over Warley with victory in the return.

Warley drew first blood when they got the ball out wide and their dangerous winger crossed. But lively visiting scrum-half Mary Chandler forced both Warley half-backs into fumbles as the Essington pack began to dominate.

And they scored when skipper CJ Smith crossed from a quickly-taken close-range tap penalty.

Two more tries followed, but Warley's winger crossed in the second period to cut Essington's lead to 17-10 and a further score reduced the advantage to a slender two points.

With Warley on the front foot and Essington suffering a couple of injuries to key players, the home side sensed their chance had come.

But Essington dug in, lifted by centre Abbey Meadows' fierce tackling, and a converted try gave them some breathing space at 24-15.

With the game still in the balance, No.8 Isla Hodson settled affairs by exploding over the line for the final try. Smith converted with the last kick of the match.



Essington's Isla Hodson in full cry during the 31-15 win

FRAN CHANDLERS LEAVING PARTY



The Chandlers Farewell fancy dress party, was an Arabian night of fun with Sultans, Genies and Belly Dancers.

WIN A FREE PINT

Due to retirements, injury, illness and apathy we have been struggling for players in recent weeks. When this has happened before, the best way of recruiting new players has been for ALL players to try to persuade mates, work colleagues, anyone they meet in a pub, etc to have a game.

To encourage this the committee have approved an idea by Gerwyn Jones that once a friend has played a game BOTH YOU AND HE/HER RECEIVE A FREE PINT.

Please have a go at bringing a mate to the club. Just 5 or 6 new players would make a huge difference. Act now or we run the risk of losing the 2nd team.