



Hello and welcome to Basingstoke RFC's InTouch bulletin, your one-stop-shop for all things BRFC! This bulletin contains updates about the club, the rugby and the people that make Basingstoke RFC the club we know and love. We love hearing from you - if you have any feedback about this bulletin, please do let us know!

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CLUB UPDATES


GET INVOLVED – KAIVITI 7s FESTIVAL 🌺🏉


This April, we're excited to host the Basingstoke Kaiviti 7s Festival at Down Grange—a vibrant celebration of Pacific rugby! 🌴

This action-packed weekend will feature top-tier 7s rugby across multiple competitions.

🏆 Tournament Categories:

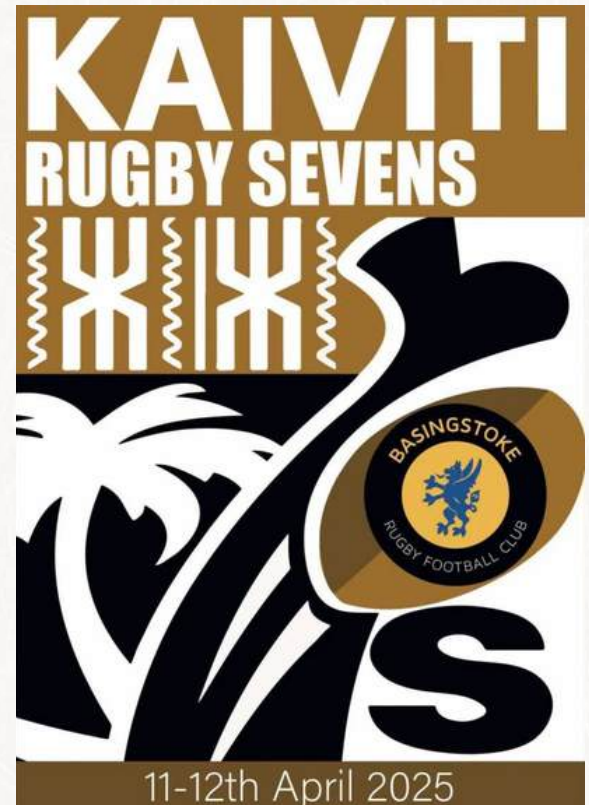
- ✓ Premier League – 16 Teams
- ✓ Social League – 12 Teams
- ✓ Ladies League – 6 Teams
- ✓ U20 Pacific Touch Rugby Competition

 Event Dates: 11–12 April 2025

 Location: Basingstoke Rugby Club, Down Grange

There's something for everyone, whether you're playing, spectating, or simply soaking up the festival atmosphere. Come down, support the teams, and be part of an amazing rugby celebration!

Don't miss out—get your team signed up and be part of the action! 🎉🏉



◆ Enter a team or get involved

✉ Contact Josh at:

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☎ Call 07568208998

🔔 Final registration and deposit deadline: 30 March 2025

We're still on the lookout for passionate volunteers to join our amazing club! We've got two exciting roles up for grabs: Club Coaching Coordinator and Youth Treasurer. If you're ready to make a difference and be part of something special, reach out to Alistair at playing@basingstokerfc.com for the Coaching Coordinator role, or contact Sharon at tickets@basingstokerfc.com for all the details on the Youth Treasurer position.





TUILAGI RUGBY SKILLS

EASTER HOLIDAY 2 DAY RUGBY COURSE

Basingstoke RFC, Pack Ln, Basingstoke RG22 5HH
 Dates: Wednesday 9th - Thursday 10th, April 2025
 Age 11-16 | Times: 9am - 3pm | Cost: £100
 Opro Mouth Guards Provided

Day 1: Defence Focus		Day 2: Attack Focus	
*Tackling Technique	*Support	*Passing	*Speed
*Tackle Type	*Possession	*Catching	*Accuracy
*Body Position	*Communication	*Kicking	*Shape
*Line Speed		*Communication	*Footwork
*Pressure		*Running	
*Small Talk		*Support	
*Angles		*Decision Making	

The Tuilagi Rugby Skills aim is to inspire children to lead a healthier lifestyle by becoming more active and to give young players the chance to learn the skills and techniques to play the game and become future sports international stars.
 The session will be led by former Manu Samoa International, St Helens Rugby League and Leicester Tigers Champion, Freddie Tuilagi.

Spaces are limited to sign up head to www.tuilagirugbyskills.com or email freddie@tuilagirugby.com

SAVE THE DATE!

Join us at Basingstoke RFC on 9-10 April as we host Tuilagi Rugby Skills for an Easter rugby camp!

Open to 11-16 year olds, the two-day camp will look at your child's attacking and defensive play - you'll be learning from the very best, with Leicester and Samoa legend Freddie Tuilagi taking the course himself!

The camp is managed by Tuilagi Rugby Skills - for further details, visit www.tuilagirugbyskills.com or email freddie@tuilagirugby.com

The Women's Six Nations is BACK – and we're showing it at the club!

With the Women's Rugby World Cup 2025 being hosted right here in England later this year, there's never been a better time to get behind the women's game. The talent, pace, and passion on display in this year's tournament will set the stage for an unforgettable year of rugby.

Come down to the club, grab a drink, and cheer on the teams. Whether you're a lifelong fan or new to women's rugby, this is your chance to experience the action, the rivalries, and the rising stars who'll be lighting up the world stage later this year.

Let's get behind the women's game and show our support – it's going to be a huge year for women's rugby, and it starts right here with the W6N!



GUINNESS W6NATIONS

LOCAL K.O. TIMES

IRE V FRA
 22 MAR / 13:00

SCO V WAL
 22 MAR / 16:45

ENG V ITA
 23 MAR / 15:00

BREITLING

Senior Women's Squad – Assistant Coach Opportunity

With the continued growth of our Senior Women's squad, we're looking to add an Assistant Coach to our coaching team. It's an exciting time for Women's Rugby, and this role offers a chance to help shape the future of the game here at BRFC. You'll work closely with Head Coach Alun Thomas and Forwards Coach Tim Boulter, helping to deliver training sessions focused on team and individual growth. This is a fantastic opportunity to contribute to a supportive, passionate environment and make a lasting impact on the development of our players.

Key responsibilities include:

- ✓ Supporting player development & team strategy
- ✓ Designing and delivering training sessions
- ✓ Promoting BRFC values as a club ambassador

What we're looking for:

- ★ Strong communication and leadership skills
- ★ A passion for player development and rugby knowledge
- ★ Integrity and alignment with our team culture

What we offer:

- 🏉 Funded professional coaching development
- 🎫 Access to international match tickets through club links
- 🚀 A chance to be part of the momentum in Women's Rugby

Contact Head Coach Alun Thomas to find out more: alunthomas1@gmail.com



COACHING VACANCIES



**MEN'S HEAD COACH
COLTS HEAD COACH
SENIOR COACHING ROLES**



📧 PLAYING@BASINGSTOKERFC.COM

Our Men's and Colts Head Coach roles have officially gone live! Both sections are recruiting for a new Head Coach, and are looking for the right individuals to help move the club in the right direction. Your coaching involvement can be as a Head Coach or as an assistant coach - we're always looking to build our coaching resources, in any capacity!

Think you know someone who might be suited to either role? Visit our Facebook page to see the full job descriptions!

RUGBY ROUND UP

A look at how all of our sides have gotten on in the last fortnight!

First XV

Basingstoke hosted Bournemouth and secured a bonus-point win in front of the home crowd, finishing 35-25. A strong performance that keeps momentum building!

Women's XV

The Women's side battled hard against a strong Didcot team, crossing twice but falling 32-12 in a physical encounter.

Dragons XV

The Dragons ran riot at home, powering past Fareham Heathens 78-25 in a dominant display of attacking rugby!



SENIORS



JUNIORS

Colts

Our Colts' season came to an end against a strong Petersfield side, going down 7-50. A tough result but huge credit to the boys for their efforts all season – heads held high!

Girls U14s

A development side of our U14 Girls showed brilliant fight against Reading. Despite a late rally, the girls finished on the wrong side of a 46-29 scoreline – So much to be proud of!

Boys U16s

A cracking friendly against Hungerford saw the U16s narrowly edged out 24-21 in a great contest.

Boys U15s

Cup campaign complete with a fantastic 22-7 home win over Wimborne – well done lads!

Boys U14s

Cup Match vs Henley: A tough battle where the boys showed real grit but went down 31-14.

Fixture vs Alton: Great rugby spirit as some of our lads helped Alton field a full side.

Final score Alton 19 - 29 Basingstoke – a brilliant example of rugby family values.

Boys U13s

The U13s stepped up in a friendly against Farnborough and came away with a solid win – great work lads!



WHATS COMING UP

A look ahead at our rugby fixtures and club events for the next fortnight!

SATURDAY 22ND MARCH

1st XV v Eastleigh - 15:00 (A)

W6N - Ireland v France 13:00

W6N - Scotland v Wales 16:45

SATURDAY 29TH MARCH

W6N - France v Scotland 13:00

W6N - Wales v England 16:45

SUNDAY 23RD MARCH

U16s Girls v Newbury & Dldcot (H)

U14s Girls v Reading Abbey (A)

U12s Girls v Bracknell (A)

U14s Boys v Fareham (H)

U13s Boys v Alton (A)

W6N - England v Italy 15:00

SUNDAY 30TH MARCH

W6N - Italy v Ireland 15:00

U18 Girls v Trojans (A)

U16 Girls v Wokingham (H)

U16 Boys v Fawley (A)

U15 Boys v Reading Abbey (H)

U14 Boys v Overton (A)

U13 Boys v Fawley (A)

U12 Boys v Winchester (A)

CURRENT CLUB OFFERS

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AVAILABLE FOR
ALL MEN'S 1ST XV
HOME GAMES



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ONLY**

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- PHOTO WITH CLUB CAPTAIN
- SOCIAL MEDIA PROMOTION
- CENTRE PAGE OF PROGRAMME

For information, contact Chair James Jaggard on chair@basingstokerfc.com



10% OFF AT OPRO

As a club we have negotiated a discounted rate for mouth guards at Opro! For any mouthguard needs, visit <https://opro.info/Basingstoke-RFC> and use the discount code 'Basingstoke10' for 10% off site wide.

BRFC 200 CLUB

We're looking to grow our 200 Club – and you could be a winner!
For just 50p a week (£2.16 a month), you'll be entered into our monthly draw with the chance to win up to £100!

It's a fun and easy way to support the club, with every penny raised going straight back into improvements that benefit all sections – from new gazebos and training kit to toilet refurbishments and more.

♥ Every entry helps make a difference! ♥

For more details or to join, please get in touch with Sharon or Peter Allen.