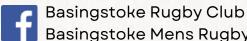


Hello and welcome to Basingstoke RFC's InTouch bulletin, your one-stop-shop for all things BRFC! This bulletin contains updates about the club over the summer, as well as the rugby - which is what we're all here for! We love hearing from you - if you have any feedback about this bulletin, please do let us know!

If you have content you'd like to add for the next version of InTouch, drop us an email at socialmedia@basingstokerfc.com.

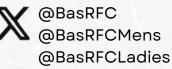


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CLUB UPDATES

We're delighted to welcome Ark Cancer Charity as our newest charity partner! A Basingstoke-based cancer charity, they're an organisation dedicated to supporting patients undergoing cancer treatment at Hampshire Hospital Foundation Trust.

Ark provide vital physical and psychosocial support, an increasingly vital addition to cancer care at Basingstoke Hospital.

Ark Cancer Charity will be present around the club at some match days over the season, where you can discover first hand the vital support they offer to our local community. For further details on their work, please visit www.arkcancercharity.org.uk



As a Harlequins Community Club, we receive specially discounted rates for certain Harlequins events. This includes tickets for Big Game 17, where Harlequins face Bristol Bears Men's and Women's side on Saturday 20 December!

To purchase tickets at a specially discounted rate, please copy and paste the following link into your browser! Please note this offer will only be valid until November 3, after which tickets will be released for general sale.

https://www.eticketing.co.uk/harlequins/EDP/Event/Index/2022?spell=05c17e2c-c5d6-45f4-b485-42a52703c258



Purdy Wilson and Ellis Forsyth made their debuts for our Women's side last week, becoming the first products of our girls system in recent history to graduate to our Women's side! While the side didn't come away with the win, the back rowers worked tirelessly for the entire game, putting in countless carries and tackles (as well as bringing along some vocal travelling support!)

This is a real step forward for us as a club - our girls section has been the envy of so many across the county and wider region for so long, and for this to happen in such a big year for Women's sport is brilliant to see

Here's hoping a few more follow in their footsteps in the near future!



A special mention goes out to our Boys U13s, who have made the step up from Kids First to Youth rugby! This season sees the boys playing regular competitive rugby for the first time, playing their first game last weekend.



The boys played away to Tadley and while they didn't bring back the win, they represented the club with distinction, never getting down and giving their all until the final whistle.

A step up to junior rugby means a change in post match attire - and how smart do they look! A huge thank you goes to former club captain Ross Stirling for sponsoring the side's ties, it is so, so appreciated. A huge shout out goes to Nat Siddall, Luke Wareham, Oscar Rowley and Tani Tala for achieving their landmark Basingstoke 1st XV appearances! Luke and Nat achieved their 50th and 25th caps last week, earning a commemorative polo and 1st XV tie in the process, while Tani and Oscar repeated the process this weekend.

All four have contributed hugely to the success of our 1st XV in the recent past, and while the result didn't go their way, it was great to be able to recognise their efforts.



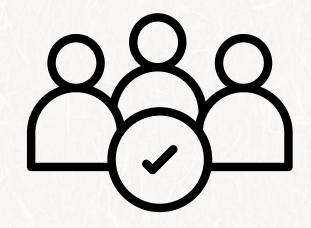
We're delighted to share that our newest Life Members, Russell and Michele Amos, have been given key roles within the Barbados RFU! Russell has been appointed Head Coach of the Barbados Women's National Team, while Michele is joining him as his right hand woman, taking on a role focusing on player welfare, safeguarding and concussion pathways.

We'd like to wish you both the very best of luck!



Memberships are due! If you haven't paid already, please note that bar discounts will only be applied to new memberships if they are renewed before 1 October.

As a reminder, full members are afforded a 20% bar discount, while social members receive a 12% discount. For any queries, please email membership@basingstokerfc.com



The winner takes it all! Tomorrow is the Women's World Cup Final, and England have a chance at glory! Both the 3rd-4th Place Play-Off and the Final will be shown at the club tomorrow.

The Black Ferns face France in a 12:30 kick off, before the Red Roses face Canada in the big one at 16:00. Come on down and watch the biggest game of rugby this year and a chance to watch England win a World Cup!



We're delighted to announce our latest 200 Club winners!

£100 - Ian Dewar

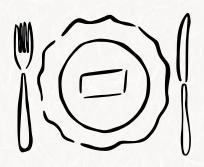
£50 - Steve Appleby

£25 - David Ashcroft, Marie Richards

For those that aren't aware, the 200 Club is a club fundraising tool which also gives you a chance to win! For £2.17 a month, you stand the chance of winning up to £100 at every club lunch. Please get in touch if you'd like to support your club and get involved - we have membership forms!



Make sure you sign up to our next club lunch! Our next lunch is on October 4, as our Men's 1st XV host Gosport and Fareham in Counties 1 Hampshire. To register your interest, please visit the club and sign up behind the bar, or email Sinead on admin@basingstokerfc.com!





A look at how all of our sides have gotten on in their most recent games!





A look at what each of our sides have coming up this weekend!

