



ROSSLYN PARK MINI RUGBY FESTIVALS 2017-18

I would like to invite your Club to enter the Rosslyn Park Mini & U12 Rugby Festivals for the 2016-17 season.

We are making some key changes to our events, holding all the matches for an age group on the same day, to reflect the values of Age Grade Rugby and Kids First.

The dates will be as following:

Sunday 8th October – Under 11s & Under 8s

Sunday 15th October – Under 12s & Under 7s

Sunday November 12th – Under 10s

Sunday November 19th – Under 9s

* The U12s date falls on a weekend allocated to club competition under the revised Age Grade Calendar for 2017/18.

For the Tag Rugby ages of U7 and Under 8s we will be asking you to send blended sides of mixed abilities. U7s no longer need to come in squads of 2 teams – any number of teams will work.

For the contact ages we ask clubs to classify their teams. Please see the note at the end of this form. Our approach has been approved by the Surrey RFU and we believe it to be truly player-centric.

Each team will play 5 matches. There will be no overall winners for the festival for the Minis Age Groups and each child will be get a medal.

To secure entry for your club, please complete the following entry form and send payment for entry fees by the end of July. For clubs which are unable to pay the full entry fees now, we will accept 50% in July with the balance due at the start of September.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you for some great rugby.

Richard White

Rosslyn Park Minis & Youth Chairman



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ENTRY FORM 2017-18

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| Club Name : | |
| Contact Details : Name | |
| Email Address | |
| Best Phone Number | |

| Age Group | Date | No. of Mixed Teams | No. of A team(s)* | No. of B team(s)* | No. of Dev team(s)* | Cost per team | Total |
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| U7s | 15 th Oct | | | | | £55 | |
| U8s | 8 th Oct | | | | | £80 | |
| U9s | 19 th Nov | | | | | £100 | |
| U10s | 12 th Nov | | | | | £110 | |
| U11s | 8 th Oct | | | | | £130 | |
| U12s | 15 th Oct | | | | | £145 | |

*Please see the note on sorting teams into appropriate pools

Please enter an appropriate number of teams to ensure plenty of rugby for your whole age group. The maximum squad sizes per team are:

Under 7s – 6 players; Under 8s – 9; Under 9s – 11; Under 10s – 12; Under 11s – 14; Under 12s – 18.

For Bank transfers

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| Account Name : | RPFC Minis |
| Sort Code: | 40-01-21 |
| Account Number: | 11474448 |
| Reference | <i>Your RFC club name*</i> |

OR send a cheque, made payable to "Rosslyn Park FC" to

Ian Jeynes, Rosslyn Park, Priory Lane, Upper Richmond Road, London, SW15 5JH.

Please can you email this completed form back to ian.a.jeynes@gmail.com

A note on grading the Contact Age Groups at the Rosslyn Park Festivals

If your club operates a truly mixed setup we will group your teams in the middle pools but not so that they would have to play each other.

For the contact age groups we ask clubs to let us know the relevant strengths of their teams so that they can be placed in suitable round robin pools to maximise the enjoyment and challenge for players and coaches alike.

Some counties offer graded competition, some have opted for Mixed and some for part Mixed. We try to accommodate everyone that wants to enter and place them in pools of a similar standard.

Our approach has been approved by the Surrey RFU and we believe it to be truly player-centric.

At the point of entry we ask you to broadly group your squads under old school labels of A, B & Dev. If you only know that you will be sending three U9 teams but are waiting on initiatives in your county to be clarified please just write 3 teams and we will wait for you to determine status at a later date. Closer to the draw we expect that you will have selected your teams and have a better idea of how they are shaping up.

To give some context - for any single draw we have worked off inputs such as "we've unbeaten in our county for three years"; "they're a good A team", "an average but not stand out A team", "Mixed A/B but with one or two strong players", "Mixed A/B but not up to taking on the bigger clubs", "a normal B team", "a C team but not a development team", "it's the first festival for a lot of them" and every grade and label between.

Last year was the first time we ran our Festivals as whole age group events and the feedback from clubs was that they were all happy that they had been given the opportunity to select the most suitable standard of play for each of their teams.

The pools on the day are not listed as A*, A, B etc. All sides play the same number of games on the maximum sized pitches allowed under Age Grade Rugby as we find this encourages flowing rugby.