


# The Buzz



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## Telford Hornets Junior Newsletter

### CLUB CAPTAINS CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

I would like to pass on my Christmas message now as myself and Lynn fly out to New Zealand for our sons wedding on the 21st of November. May I wish all the players staff and supporters of the club a very merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

It has been a wonderful season so far as far as the junior section is concerned and its credit to all who take part in what ever role that the future of the club at this level is what it is and what it will become in the future. To see the turn out most Sundays and the standard of rugby being played as club captain make me feel so proud of all our junior players well done to them all.

Once again may I say to you all have a wonderful Christmas have a great new year and please support the Christmas party this year its a great fun time so please support it see you all in the new year. Mark Club Captain Telford Hornets RFC.

### MATCH REPORT Wolverhampton v Hornets U7's 11/11/07

U7's played another formidable two games winning 20-10 and 40-10. There was excellent team support from all players. The team's knowledge of rules, tactics of play and concentration really made them all shine out over the Wolverhampton side, Thank you for listening and learning. Special congratulations to one of the newer members, Aidan R, who made an excellent dodge through the opposition and scored a try. However there is not enough space to comment on every try, all

of which were well fed through passes and catches. Well Done Everyone. Thank you to Hornets parents who helped on both touch lines and helped to mark out the Wolverhampton pitch and supported the referee in a hostile atmosphere.

### MATCH REPORT Wolverhampton v Hornets U8's 11/11/07

20-20 Draw & 20-30 Win  
With the under 8's now fielding two strong teams, Wolverhampton had their work cut out. We were shoehorned into an uncomfortable gap between the U9's and the U6's but this was soon forgotten as the Rugby did the talking. All games were tight and resulted in slim Telford wins or high-scoring draws. The quality of the rugby being played was superb and the games seem to be shifting from the flashes of individual brilliance to a more rounded team game where the ball is being passed fluently and the training undertaken by Iain and Dave on scissor moves, straight bursts (just watch Josh W) and running on to that ball at speed are beginning to translate into game play. A real joy to watch.

### JOINT SENIOR AND JUNIOR COMMITTEE MEETING OVERVIEW

Just a quick note to thank the senior section for inviting the junior committee to our first six monthly joint meeting and update interested parties on matters discussed. The experience and gritted determination of the senior committee together with the momentum and enthusiasm of the junior section really do bode well for the future of the club. Amongst other matters approval was given to raise funds to

improve the lighting on the two eastern pitches to allow junior training in winter months without ruining the 1<sup>st</sup> team pitch. This will ensure that we remain at the club for a much longer time period where players and revenue were previously lost to TCAT as we were forced to train at the Dome at a later time. Any company, parent or supporter wishing to donate to the "new lights fund" please let themselves be known.

A further issue discussed was the access road that all will agree has become a bit of an embarrassment. With the joint pressure of Coach Les Evans, Telford FM and others the Town Park management committee seem to be finally taking notice. Watch this space – holes may disappear.

### USE YOUR CLUB

The club is available to hire! Please use it. Parties, events, soirees – call them what you will the clubhouse can be transformed to suit any event and bar stocked accordingly. Ask at the bar for prices and available dates.

### TOUR

Preparations are now being made in earnest for the junior tour (U7-U12) next March. We are aiming to visit the Ospreys and play a tournament at Whitland Rugby Club who are our hosts. More information to follow.

### CLUB SHOP

The club shop is now restocked for Christmas and we even have club ties!

### Dates for your Diary

#### 27th November 1900-2200

First Aid Course

Cost: £5

Venue: Hornets Clubhouse

#### 16<sup>th</sup> December 1500-1800

Junior Christmas Party

**\*Get your forms in – final**

**deadline 27<sup>th</sup> November or no prezzie!!\***

#### Fixtures

##### U7's & U8's

Nov 25 Stafford (A)

##### U9's & U10's

Nov 25 Stafford (A)

Dec 2 Eccleshall (A)

##### U11's & U12's

Nov 25 Stafford (A)

##### U13's

Nov 25 Stafford (H)

##### U14's

Nov 25 Willenhall (A)

Dec 2 Stafford (H)

##### U15's

Nov 25 Stafford (H)

Dec 2 Willenhall (A)

##### U16's

Nov 25 Willenhall (A)

Dec 2 Stafford (H)

##### U17's

Nov 25 Kidderminster (A)

#### All Games

10.15 arrival for 11.00 KO £2

**Training - Tues 1800 to 1900**

Sun 1030-1200 £1

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**TRAINING TOPS**

You may have noticed that a great many players have received training tops. Our junior section at the Hornets has tripled in number over the last two years and with the ongoing and welcome support local companies such as Resourcebank and Seddons we can ensure that the facilities we are able to provide as a voluntary organisation are the best they can be. We were able to fund training jackets for three age groups using the generous sponsorship received that not only keep the players dry during rainy Tuesday evening training sessions but, as with any uniform however informal, also give them an important sense of belonging and team pride. Our unreserved thanks go to Resourcebank and Seddons."

**MATCH REPORT U10s v Bridgnorth 18/11/07**

First Game - 5 tries to NIL Win!

A cracking game against Bridgnorth with the lads playing well as a team. Great support, some wonderful mauling and hard tackles. Charlie H scored within the first 2 minutes and another 2 followed in the first half. Tries were scored by Thomas, Tom G, Edward and 2 from Charlie. Some fantastic support from the whole team and a great overall performance when you consider the rain and freezing weather.

The second game was closer and ended in a 1-1 draw.

We bought in the new players in this game and Charlie chose not to play. Again, a good performance, especially from Tom 3 and Dominic who had never played before. Paul and myself were extremely proud of the team and the parents who stood out in the rain to support them.

**A THANKYOU TO VOLUNTEERS**

I'd (Les) just like to say a quick thank you to those Coaches, players and parents that have taken the time to come along and help out at the various working parties that we have this year.

When we played host to Bridgnorth they commented on the pitches and the way in which they had been marked out, the use of poles to mark dead ball lines etc and the marker boards showing which teams where playing were. Their under nine's coaches said that, "it was by far the best and most well organised club they had been to this year".

This has only been achieved by the help and dedication of volunteers, so please help out when you can and keep up the good work.

**THE WINTER IS UPON US!**

Those that where at the club on Sunday will agree that it felt like Winter has come, so I'd (Les) just like to remind parents how important it is to have the right kit, for both training and match days.

Ideally lots of thin layer are best, if you can get some form of body skin, this is best as they allow the body to breath, then say maybe a cotton tee-shirt and then their playing shirt or training top. On match days, a sweatshirt or hoody, with a waterproof jacket over the top for while their standing around during matches.

On their bottom half, lycra shorts under their normal shorts will help, it is also fine to wear track suite bottom to play in if it's really cold, and I would suggest that these are always worn for training on a Tuesday during the really cold nights, a set of water proof trousers is also a must this time of the year.

Also, a must is some sort of a beanie hat to keep the head warm and either fingerless glove to play in or normal glove to keep their hands warm while their standing around.

It's worth putting together a kit bag with it all in, I know this all seems very obvious, but you'd be amazed how often someone will role up and have forgotten something, I know I have!

But on a serious note if the children are warm and dry they will perform a lot better and **more importantly will enjoy themselves**. They are also able to concentrate on the game or training rather than thinking about being cold, this time of the year there is also more chance of picking up an injury, so if their warm they will be less chance of picking up a strain or pulled muscle.

Take care and wrap up warm.

**1<sup>st</sup> TEAM NEWS**

We have a home friendly v Birmingham Medics on Saturday, ko 2.30. Our next home League game is on 24th against Willenhall, sponsored by your Chairman, Steve Carver of Parry Carver Solicitors, meet at Club at 12.45 for 1.15 Lunch. ko 2.30. This is our last home League game before Christmas (there are 2 away games in December) so this will be a Christmas Lunch. If you are interested in attending the VP lunch please e-mail [paul.butler9@btinternet.com](mailto:paul.butler9@btinternet.com). Hope you are able to attend. Those of you who watched last weeks game will be pleased to know that the injury to Adam Corbett was not serious and he was not detained in hospital.

**MATCH REPORT U9's v Bridgnorth 18/11/07**

In regards to the under 9s yesterday, I lost count of the how many we scored, we played 4 x 10 minute again, and I think it was the third period before Bridgnorth managed to score!

I do know that we scored 7 tries in the first 10 minutes, the visitors had no answer to the combination of forward power and the sharp handling of the backs. It was good to see players moving the ball so well, a fact that drew admiration from the Bridgnorth coaches.

You could not pick out any individual, Charley, Ash, Kia, Reece, Chris and Ben did a fantastic job up front, clearing out from the Ruck time and time again.

Josh S and Jake both played well as Scrum half, giving some good delivery to Lewis, Oliver and Mathew in the centre, who all worked together along with, Josh D, Andrew and Danny on the wings to score some superb tries. Also a mention to Ryan and Danny who both made some inspiring runs from the full back position.

A quick mention for a couple of the new lads, Declan and Dalian who are showing real promise and a welcome back to Natalie as she has been off ill for few weeks.

And lastly a quick mention to Danny and Josh D who both picked up injuries on Sunday, rest up and hope to see you soon.

**TIGERS TRIP**

Some of the Hornets under 9's and 10's enjoyed a excellent day out on Saturday at Leicester Tigers with a training session coached by Tigers academy staff followed by a chance to see the Heineken Cup match against Edinburgh.

