

The Buzz



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Telford Hornets Junior Newsletter

History of The Hornets (in Pubs)

In 1957 members of The Sankeys Rugby Club from The Sentinel Works in Hadley formed Wellington Hornets. There are still several members of the original team who attend our Vice Presidents Lunches including John Marshall, Brad Hullin and John Bromley when he is visiting from Spain.

The first games were played on Clem Adeys field off Admaston Rd in Wellington and changing and Bar facilities were at The Smithfield on Bridge Rd in Wellington.



The Smithfield in Wellington

During the 60's we moved to playing fields in Wrockwardine and enjoyed many years of rugby, apart from 1967 due to the foot and mouth outbreak which truncated our home fixtures. Our first Clubhouse was located in the annexe of The Pheasant in Admaston.



The Pheasant in Admaston

Membership grew during the 1970's during which time we ran up to 6 senior XV's.

In the early 80's, along with Shifnal Hockey Club, we negotiated a ground lease with Telford Development Corporation on our pitches in the Town Park.

Much of the building work was done by Club members and during this time we used The White Hart (aka The Jerry) in Hinkshay Rd as our clubhouse.

We acquired the Hockey Club facilities in the 90's, the lounge and 2 pitches as the Hockey Club rarely used their facilities due to having to play on Astro turf.

The rest as they say is history.....
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Managers Meeting (U7-12)

An illuminating managers meeting took place after the washout training this week. Managers will now meet approximately every two months to check all is well and provide a formal method for feedback that can be taken to committee.

In this managers meeting we discussed, communication, promotion of the club and facilities to improve player numbers, a "achievements board" so that those at the club who succeed can be highlighted. All of these issues, as well as others will be taken to committee directly.

Please talk to your managers and tell them of any concerns. They are the main route of communication between parents and the club.

The informal format worked well and this initial meeting was convened to welcome new managers and address specific issues.

The invitation will be extended to other managers wishing to come along in future.

NEXT ISSUE – TOM WILLIAMS – A PROFILE.....

Birchfield Tri Tournament

U7's

Venue Birchfield School v Birchfield and Wolverhampton RFC

Telford under 7's did **very** well against both teams! Split into two teams as we had 13 players all together, the yellow team and the red team. Results - yellow team drew against Birchfield 35 all and beat Wolverhampton 35 \ 20. Man of the match was Sean A. Red team beat Birchfield 35 \ 30 and beat Wolverhampton 40\20. Man of the match was Matthew H. A very good day indeed and wasn't that lemon cake absolutely gorgeous??
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U8's

Our U8s put out two teams both of which played well but neither of whom achieved comprehensive wins.

U8's B played Birchfield 1st and warmed up to a good 35/35 draw with a notable hat trick from Robert W.

U8's A then notched up a 35/20 win, but with weaknesses showing against Birchfield A. Hornets A then played Wolverhampton who gave them an attacking lesson but with further defensive weaknesses and lack of spatial awareness (there's a gap in the defence run towards that!!) lost the game to an alert and physically stronger squad. In the round Telford got the result they deserved and earned an overdue knock to their over confidence.

The weaknesses are recognised and we are all looking forward to Tuesday nights training to begin to address problems and build on our strengths.
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Dates for your Diary

5th February 2008
1st Aid Course 1900 £5
Register with Neil Thomas

19th February 2008
Joint Snr/Jnr Committee Meeting

2nd March 2008
The De-Hairing Extravaganza

13th March 2008
Child Welfare course –Details to follow

28-30th March 2008
Junior Tour – South Wales

27th April 2008
Junior Festival

Fixtures

U7's, U8's, U9's, U10's & the Joint U11'12's

3 Feb Shrewsbury (A)
24 Feb Bridgnorth (A)

U14's & U15's

3 Feb Shrewsbury (H)
24 Feb Bridgnorth (H)/NM CUP & Plate Quarter Final

U16's

24 Feb Bridgnorth (H)

U17's

No Matches

All Games

10.15 arrival for 11.00 KO unless otherwise stated £2

Training - Tues 1800 to 1900 (U7's + only)
Sun 1030-1200 (all) £1

SHOP

Open Sundays during Home Matches.

Telford Hornets Rugby Football Club

