

# Marple RUFC Mini/Youth Rugby 2011-2012



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Dear Marple Mini/Youth Rugby Member,

This will be my first year as President of Marple Rugby Club and I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible during the coming season.

In the past when I have dropped in to the Club on a Sunday morning I have been impressed by the convivial atmosphere and the enthusiasm and commitment out on the pitches. This section of the Club is clearly well organised and has a focus and direction that can only benefit our senior sides in the future.

The 1<sup>st</sup> XV will again be competing in the South Lancs & Cheshire 2<sup>nd</sup> Division. The senior coach Darren David is looking to challenge for promotion and I am sure will be supported in this by Rick Hammersley the Club Captain.

For the coming season all three senior teams will be sponsored by Volkswagen Hyde who have committed to team sponsorship

for the next two seasons. Many thanks to the general management of the dealership for their financial support.

The 2012 Rugby World Cup commences in September and I have noticed that some of the key games in the later stages take place early on a Sunday morning. I look forward to joining you for a bacon sandwich and to cheer on the Home Nations (though I actually think New Zealand will be champions).

I hope you all have a successful season and I look forward to once again watching you all play in the true spirit of our wonderful game.

**Good luck and enjoy your rugby at Marple!**

Iain Skelton

President, Marple RUFC.

Dear All

A very warm welcome to the 2011 - 2012 season at Marple Mini and Junior Rugby Club. I hope that this year will be as successful as recent years and that the members of the club, both playing and social enjoy the best team game in the world and in this the World Cup year.

This is my first year as the Chairman of the Mini and junior section of the Club and I would like to thank the previous Chairman and his committee for steering the club to its current position. We have had some changes in the committee this year but I must mention Jon Parry, John Sunderland and George Bute all of whom have put many years work into the growth of the club but have decided to stand aside this year, thank you gentlemen.

And a special mention to another of our tireless volunteers, I had the pleasure of attending the Cheshire RFU AGM in June 2011 to witness Sandra Rodgers receive a England RFU VIP award for her work in raising funds and the profile of the Club. Well done and thank you Sandra, very well deserved.

Last season we had success on the playing field with many of our teams qualifying for the finals or semi finals of county cups and other competitions. We now have over 250 children registered with the club ranging from U6 - U18 and these are lead by over 30 RFU qualified coaches who continue to give up their time for the love of the game.

Please continue to support them throughout the year but most of all, enjoy yourselves and the great rugby these talented children produce week in week out.

**Swing Low Sweet Chariot!**

Chris Thomas

Chairman

Marple RUFC Mini/Youth Rugby

## MEMBERSHIP

When a child becomes a member of the Mini/Youth section their parents/guardians automatically become social members of Marple RUFC and are entitled to use all of the facilities.

## SOCIAL EVENTS

Social events are arranged throughout the year for both children and parents.

Some dates to be advised so - **Watch the notice board!**

11th September	Open Day & BBQ
November	Halloween Party
December	Christmas Parties
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas in the Clubhouse
13 <sup>th</sup> May 2012	End of Season Fun Day

## GETTING INVOLVED IN THE CLUB

Ever thought of volunteering?

All areas within the Club rely on volunteers. Without this support the club would not run!

Any help is very much appreciated and you will find a friendly welcome.

## WHO'S WHO & CONTACT NUMBERS

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## CHILD WELFARE

At Marple Rugby Club we believe that taking part in our sport should be a positive and enjoyable part of children's lives.

We want to make sure that children are protected and kept safe from physical, sexual and emotional harm while they are with the Club's Coaches, helpers and volunteers.

To do this we have these aims:

1. All Coaches will develop experience prior to attending Rugby Union Level 1 Coaching Course. This will be either within an appropriate age group or TAG Rugby environment.
2. All Coaches and other volunteers will have a job description.
3. There will be women Coaches as well as men.
4. All Coaches will be qualified to Preliminary Award level before they are allowed to be the Head Coach of any age group.
5. The Club will encourage and help Coaches to stay up-to-date with rugby, coaching and child protection issues. Each lead Coach will attend an NCF Coach Protection Workshop.
6. All Coaches will be given a copy of the Clubs Code of Conduct for Coaches and be expected to keep to it at all times.
7. We will keep written records of attendance, parental consent and accidents.
8. We will provide a written Health & Safety Policy covering fire procedures, telephone access and first aid and emergency procedures.
9. We will provide Coaches and parents with a written procedure for dealing with an accusation or suspicions of child abuse.

10. As a Club, we will promote "fair play" and always play within the spirit of the laws and the letter of the continuum.
11. We will identify a person whose role it is to deal with any concerns about physical, sexual or emotional abuse within the Club.
12. All Coaches will apply for enhanced CRB clearance.

### **CHILD WELFARE STATEMENT**

A copy is displayed on the Clubhouse wall. The document has been put together with the help and approval of our governing body the Rugby Football Union. Coaching is supervised by qualified RFU Coaches who have successfully applied for the latest CRB checks for working with children. Catherine Pritchard is our Club Safeguarding Officer and she will be pleased to answer any questions you may have regarding our practices.

### **COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT**

A document has been put together with the help and approval of the RFU using their guidelines for the health and safety of young players. A copy is displayed on the Clubhouse wall. Our Coaches are available at any time to discuss any issues you may have regarding training.

## **INSURANCE**

Our player insurance is arranged via the RFU and is a "Death and Permanent Total Disability Policy". The benefits are for catastrophic injury only with a maximum payout of £500,000. Junior Sports Accident Protection is available from the RFU recommended company, Pinnacle Insurance PLC. They cover dental, physiotherapy etc.

## **WHAT DO PLAYERS NEED TO BRING?**

Rugby is a winter sport, so players will need to wear warm clothing with plenty of layers, perhaps tracksuit bottoms, hats and gloves when it is cold. A change of clothing for after training or games, and a towel for the showers, so as to be clean and dry to go into the Clubhouse. A gum shield and shin pads are recommended, also boots must have RUGBY BS Kite marked studs in them, if you are in any doubt, please ask your coach.

## **MATCHES AND TRAINING**

We train or play matches on Sunday mornings at 10am. Sometimes the games are away; the Coaches will confirm the fixture the week before. It is very important to inform them as soon as possible when players are unavailable.

## **LOTTERY**

For £3.00 per month, you can join our lottery. This is your chance to win £150 per month and help Marple Rugby Club. Every month, one lucky winner will be selected to receive the cash prize. All proceeds from the draw will be used towards the cost of the Clubhouse. If every member joined, it would cover the cost of our mortgage each month!

## **MINI/YOUTH RUGBY CLUB CHARTER OF FAIR PLAY**

### **PLAYERS**

- Compete for enjoyment
- Do your best
- Play within the rules
- Respect your opponents
- Respect officials and their decisions
- Compete fairly and win without boasting
- Compete fairly and lose without complaining

### **SPECTATORS/PARENTS**

- Do not stray on to the pitch at any time
- Encourage and support all players
- Never use bad language
- Respect officials and their decisions
- Enjoy the competition regardless of the result
- Discourage rough play and cheating
- Do not verbally abuse players or other spectators

### **TEAM MANAGERS/COACHES/OFFICIALS**

- Show respect for players
- Respect officials and their decisions
- Promote participation for fun
- Discourage rough play and cheating
- Adhere to the rules
- Encourage good sportsmanship and the value of team work

## CLUBHOUSE RULES

- Please ensure the Coaches are on site before leaving your children.
- The Coaches are not responsible for the children outside of their coaching hours.
- Whilst we welcome parents helping to shower their children after training, please regard our rules -

Girls and boys over 8 must shower and change separately (the girls go in first)

Adults must not shower with children under ANY circumstances.

- The Clubhouse will be open for families to use from 10.00am. Please use the main entrance and respect the "No Muddy Boots" sign.
- No hoodies to be worn in the clubhouse.
- No smoking in the clubhouse.
  
- Safety in the Clubhouse - all members of the family are welcome in the Clubhouse. Parents are asked to remember that their children, especially the younger ones, are their responsibility.

## **KIT CATALOGUE**

KooGa Evaporex Team Rugby shirt (plain)	£21.00
KooGa Evaporex Team Rugby shirt (sponsored)	TBC
New Viking Shorts (emb)	£10.00
Team rugby socks (black)	£ 3.00
KooGa Tech socks Men	£ 5.50
KooGa Vortex warm-up top (with initials)	£25.00
KooGa warm-up trousers	£16.00
KooGa team sweatshirt (black)	£12.00
KooGa team polo shirt (black)	£ 7.75
KooGa Power Shirt L/sleeve skin Kids	£15.00
KooGa Power Shirt L/sleeve skin Adult	£20.00
KooGa Shadow head guard (adult)	£35.00
KooGa Shadow head guard (junior)	£30.00
Bronx ski hat (black)	£ 5.00
KooGa Power cycle shorts	£10.00
KooGa K-Mitt III gloves	£10.00
DG Wet Grip gloves	£15.00
KooGa gum shield clear	£ 5.00
KooGa Melbourne balls	£ 7.00
KooGa EVX V pads	£30.00
KooGa EVX III pads	£40.00
KooGa KooGa EVX VIII pads	£45.00
KooGa Entry junior kit bag (emb + initials)	£15.00
KooGa Entry player kit bag (emb + initials)	£18.00

## **ORDERING KIT**

Generally a stock of the match kit is kept at the club, however items that require player's initials and accessories are available by order only.

E-mail or phone orders to Steve Crews at

[marpleminiskit@ntlworld.com](mailto:marpleminiskit@ntlworld.com)

01663 734 534 / 07974 126 657

When placing your order a description of the item, size and colour will be required. Along with the name, address of parent/player and contact number.

If you need to view any items featured in this document please look on our web site -

[marpleminis-youthrugbyclub.co.uk](http://marpleminis-youthrugbyclub.co.uk)

## **SPONSORSHIP**

Would you, your company or someone you may know, be interested in the various opportunities for sponsorship e.g. Team Sponsor, Ball Sponsor, Trophies, Coaching Courses etc? Please don't be shy, let us know.

We would like to extend our grateful thanks to the people who have already generously offered sponsorship and made donations that have enabled us to enhance the experience of Rugby to our children.