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# Weymouth

## Newslett

### Seniors - Seconds

Although the start of the season has had mixed results it is the best start to a season the 2's have had for years. We have got an extremely strong squad many of which have already been looked at by the first team captain and selection panel.

I can safely say after 6 games no one has totally had the upper hand of us, and all of our defeats have been by small margins and could have gone our way and I'm sure with more training together as a squad we'll learn to play together better and be able to capitalise on opportunities we create on the pitch. All of our defeats have been by teams who in past seasons have beaten us by large margins and opposition captains have been commenting this season that we are not a walk over anymore.



Training is going well and numbers and standards are better than I've ever known them for the 2's at Weymouth Rugby club. Training sessions with Pablo have made me feel 15 years old again and I'm being lectured by Archie Andrews my games master as to what we're supposed to be doing on a rugby pitch. It's made our training exciting again as apposed to mundane we're being made to think for ourselves and what our role is on the pitch and as part of a team.

The commitment of the whole squad 1<sup>s</sup> 2<sup>s</sup> and Vet's as well as the coaching staff has created a vibrant enthusiastic feeling around the whole club. The mini and youth section and the volunteers are part of this creating this feeling as well.

An army marches on its stomach!! (Me and Bubble could march for weeks!) I think it is of great significances that about a year ago Denise Davis took up the mantle of feeding the Weymouth rugby club army this coincides with Weymouth rugby club reemerging as a force in Dorset rugby. I feel the proof in this theory is if we look at other clubs who are have long been one of Dorset's top clubs (Swanage and Wareham) great kitchen good dinner, we look at other clubs who's fortunes are at a low at this time (Puddletown) something brown for dinner (they didn't tell us what it was) four years ago when I first visited Puddletown dinner was sausage and chips from the local chip shop they hammered us, this year we hammered them, we can't make assumptions with out fully scientifically researching this theory this means a whole season of sampling other rugby club dinners and reporting back to you, comments are welcome.

And lastly it's a year for captains to be marrying. When I was forced to marry her indoors (the lovely Mrs B) this year I insisted it was out of season, so my full admiration goes to Tony Worle who also was forced to marry this year (to the lovely Rachel) but still played a game of rugby on his wedding day. My Hero! The 2<sup>s</sup> as a mark of respect held a minutes silence for fallen comrades.

What an exciting time to be part of Weymouth Rugby Club.  
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## Seniors - VETS



White wash springs to mind! Vets first match against Bognor this month won 68-22. The game was played in the spirit of 'good' rugby. New and old players over the age of XXXX took part, flexing their muscles and gritting their teeth. A very positive start to the year.

If you have what it takes to play rugby at a ripe old age, you will be welcomed. Training is on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the club at 6.30pm. Matches will be played on Saturdays on a monthly basis. Well done ~~Boys~~, men, old gits!

## Important Information

The club would like to inform its members and spectators of the RFU regulation 17 for games being hosted at home. It quotes:

***“The home Club must make proper provision that (with the exception of the Touch Judges, the Fourth Official and others permitted by these Game Regulations) all spectators, replacements and officials are kept a reasonable distance from the playing area by a permanent or semi-permanent barrier. Where because of the home Club’s League Level in Divisional or CB Leagues the Committee deems it unnecessary for such a barrier to be erected, each club must (unless the Referee agrees otherwise or agrees an alternative) ensure that its spectators, replacements, medical staff, coaching staff, and any other representatives are not permitted within ten metres of the edge of the playing area.”***

Please make sure that you adhere to this rule! **If** you have been asked to stay behind the spectator’s line, it is because you have to!

## Mini and Youth

Andy Stallman has agreed to stand as Chair for the Mini and Youth committee. He will be working towards: organising festivals; Tours; fixtures; volunteering duties (Kitchen, bar and pitch side) and fundraising events. With the help from parents, grandparents and friends of the club, we can make the club an even happier place. Regular meetings will be held during Sunday training days for volunteers and Team Managers. If you have any burning ideas that you would like to put forward to Andy, contact your child’s Team Manager/Coach or direct to Andy.

**Under 6’s.** A request from the Under 6’s – they are in need of new training ideas, ie team games. They have a few games that they play every week, but need new ones to play. Please submit your ideas to [webmaster@weymouthrhc.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@weymouthrhc.org.uk) and Kate Berry will pass them on to the coaches.

## Bar

The bar at the club will now be opened on Sundays to all its members, Leonard Clark (Nobby) is happy to serve you between 11 – 1pm every week.

## Website news Are you aware .....

..... that if anyone clicks on to a link from the website to other sites such as Newitts, Lovells, Rugby's greatest webshop (Egg catcher), Hairy Crabs and Amazon, a small commission is earned for the club if you purchase anything. Any contribution of this kind is a bonus, and is a financial benefit to the club in the long run. So, remember if you are intending to purchase from these e-businesses **use the website link** and don't go direct!

### Results from October

Senior 1 <sup>st</sup>	Senior Seconds	Senior Vets	Under 14/15's	Under 12/13's	Under 11's	Under 10's	Under 9's	Under 7/8's
Weymouth 17 - Swans and W'ham 3	Weymouth 25- Blandford 3	Weymouth 68 - Bognor 22	Weymouth 43 - Lychett 8	Weymouth 12- Blandford 42	Weymouth 28- Blandford 26	Weymouth 20- Blandford 10	Blandford 12, Weymouth 3	
Weymouth 8 - Bridport 22	Weymouth 13 - Poole 16			Weymouth 39 - Lychett minster 12	Weymouth 19 - Saltash 24			
	Weymouth 10 - Dorchester 24				Oaks cancelled			
	Weymouth 0 - Swans & W'ham 10							

### Matches in November:

Date (Sat)	Senior 1 <sup>st</sup>	Senior Seconds	Senior Vets	Date (Sun)	Mini & Youth
1/11/08	Salisbury II (A)	Fordingbridge II (H)		9/11/08	Wilts Comp 2 Dorset Prelim (U13's) Wilts Comp 3 Dorset Prelim (U14's)
8/11/08	Wimborne II (H)	East Dorset II (A)		16/11/08	Lychett (U7-12's)(A) Oaks (U13-14's) (A)
15/11/08	Dorchester (A)		Crewkerne II (H)	23/11/08	Bridport (U7-U12's) (H) Ivel B's (U13) (A)
22/11/08	Bridport or Calne (H)	Bridport II (H)		30/11/08	Club Training (U7's-12's) Wilts Comp 4 Dorset Cup (U13's) CM Dorset Cup (U14's)
29/11/08	Warminster (A)	North Dorset IV (H)			

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This is our Rugby Club, all striving to improve together. If you have any lightbulb moments/articles please contact [jackie\\_arnold@weymouth.ac.uk](mailto:jackie_arnold@weymouth.ac.uk) before the 20th of each month for newsletter articles.  
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