

Calne RFC Newsletter



PRE-SEASON BBQ!

The date for this year pre-season BBQ is on Sunday the 8th of August 2004 at 3pm. All are welcome! Senior players (obviously), Junior Section members, supporters, VP's, friends and families – and especially any new recruits!!

Baz has kindly offered his services for the BBQ. The committee is purchasing the food but your contributions towards salads, deserts, etc will still be most welcome.

Back by popular demand, player profiles for the website will be taken, by Matt, for a fund raising fee of £2.50.

We will also be digging out the old rounders kit to help you run those burgers off, and if someone could bring a football, we should be able to keep the youngsters entertained too.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

As those who attended will know Mike Charlwood, our esteemed captain for the last two years has stood down due to increasing work commitments. Mike has guided us through one really rough year and one frustrating year. And it is partially thanks to Mike resilience that the club is stronger and can now move forwards again.

In his place, Andy Donegan steps up. Last years players' player of the season will lead a strong team in a league that should allow the club to get back to its winning ways.

Other highlights of the meeting saw Sean Lambourne unanimously re-elected as the club's chairman. Ian Smart takes on the club captain's role. John Hope-Smith released the fixture list, which included 11 2nd team games. And Graeme's work with the VP's was again congratulated.

This years subscription fee is £35, this is due prior to kick-off of the first league game (Cooper Avon Tyres - home - 11th Sept). The preseason BBQ is an ideal time to pay. This year we are also continuing, with a variation of, the very successful 'pay as play' scheme for those who cannot commit to playing week in week out.

FIXTURE LIST

John Hope-Smith's fixture list is now online at:

www.calnerfc.co.uk/matchreports.htm

CHAIRMAN'S GOLF DAY

Sean has booked Calne RFC into Brinkworth Golf Course on the 22nd of August 2004 for our 1st annual chairman's golf day!

The day will start at 10am with bacon rolls & coffee, followed by five tee times, an evening BBQ and a few little prizes, all for £30.

All standards, (including us hackers), are welcome as the day's format will be a Texas Scramble consisting of mixed ability teams, which should allow for a very simple, fast and forgiving round! To book your place, please put your name and rough handicap on the poster at the Rec. Club as soon as possible.

7's UPDATE

This year's tournament is on Sunday the 12th of Sept, which is the day after the first league game.

Entries are now being accepted. Posters have been delivered to all local pubs & workplaces and some press and radio coverage will be coming our way soon. Please encourage your drinking buddies and workmates to enter!

This year we will accept up to four 'touring' teams from members of the club only. These teams are defined as friends from an old watering hole or workplace that is not local to Calne, please ask Matt for more details.

Along with the tournament, we will be having a beer tent, bbq, pony rides, fire engine display, beat the keeper competition and bouncy castle.

We will also consider trade stands, for example Lucy, our Sports Therapist, is considering offering cut-price rubdowns for competitors and spectators alike. We would also be interested to hear from a sports clothing vendor.