

#### OBRFC & Acorns RFC April 2022

- Good afternoon,

#### So much to be proud of across the Club...

- Amazing ceremony in honour of Niall Stringer RIP
- Huge congrats to our U14's AND our U16's for capping brilliant seasons by bringing home the silverware - well done to each and every one of you who played your part. And to their ever-patient coaches!
- Ashwells Road making a great success of hosting the Yr 3/4 and Yr 5/6 Essex School Tag-Rugby Finals with hundreds of children attending (many thanks to the volunteers & especially to Roo for co-ordinating).

#### Proposed (new) dates going forward:

- End of season club dinner to be held at Ashwells Road: Friday 24th June
- Acorns Summer party: Saturday 25th June
- Vets rugby tour: April 22nd to April 24th organised by Paddy Bache

It remains for us to say hard luck to Brentwood School U15's who lost narrowly under the floodlights at Barking RFC in the final of Essex Schools Vase.

And a big thank you to Charlie for liaising for the return of 2 more refurbished lights and sorting out inspection of the 1 remaining faulty one (now awaiting a spare part).

Yours in rugby

**OBRFC & Acorns Committee** 

PS For full size pics, please click on them to go through to the full size versions on www.obrfc.org

#### **Niall Stringer Moving Sendoff**



Beauitfully attended ceremony with standing room only.

Amazing tributes paid to a wonderful, talented young man.

Huge well done to Gary and Stef for speaking so movingly about Niall who meant so much to so many.

This is a mural painted at his local skatepark.

Rest in Peace Niall #NS10

Link to facebook group set up by Stef: "to look after each other and remember our beloved Niall"

https://www.facebook.com/groups/254585880174839/

KEEP TALKING, KEEP LISTENING, KEEP SUPPORTING

1st May, #NS 10 Memorial Day, Old Brentwoods

#### Niall Stringer # NS10 Memorial Day, Sunday 1st May 2022

- Volunteers will be appreciated on the day as there will be bumper numbers, please contact Stef
- Marquee with outside bars, Hog Roast, Hot dogs, Burgers, Ice cream vans etc ...
- Many ex pros are looking to attend and support with some great Raffle and Auction prizes such as Signed hoodies and shirts from the likes of Jonny Wilkinson, Saints, Gloucester and Quins.
- There will also be representatives there from Papyrus and Mindset on site for anyone who wants to speak with them
- Bring the family, bring your pals, bring your neighbours!

"It looks like being a great day to give Niall the send off he deserves and to show his family the love and support that is there for them".



Bracelets which will be available for purchase - alongside lots of other stash from vendors on the day





"Any funds raised on the day and in the future will go into the Niall Stringer foundation that is being set up to support charities and other causes that will provide a fitting legacy to Niall"

# 2) Saturday 2nd April: 1st XV vs Billericay RFC (A) CM4 9PQ including Pre-match buffet in aid of #NS10

- The 1st XV are playing away at Billericay RFC 3 pm kick-off in the League, CM4 9PQ.
- They are kindly laying on a pre-match buffet from 1.30: vats of chilli & spag bol.
- \*\*Proceeds raised will be going to #NS10\*\*
- All are welcome, please spread the word.



- They are looking for a rough idea of numbers, so please let Ginga know beforehand if possible (neil@ellisonelectronics.com / 0771 8583064).
- \*\*Also, if you have boots and can have a run out, Stainesy may well be able to find a space for you: 07887 691841.\*\*
- Dress code has been suggested as blazer and #NS10 polo shirt.
- ... please get along and support if you can.

#### **Teamsheet**

1. Liam Stone, 2. Stuart Smyth, 3. Stuart Sullivan, 4. Andrew Parish, 5. James Lennox, 6. Andy Taylor, 7. Sam Critchley, 8. Oliver Brooks

9. George Barrett, 10. Matthew Staines, 11. Dimi Le Cleac'h, 12. Archie Walker, 13. Dean Bourne, 14. Senna Ahmet, 15. Rhys Newton

16. Daniel Savage, 17. TBC, 18. TBC

### 3) OBRFC 14 - 15 Harwich & Dovercourt 29th March

MOTM: Joel Ackerman for his great effort all game and his try on debut.

Report: https://www.obrfc.org/teams/51080/match-centre/1-10180988/report

Extra Pics: https://www.pitchero.com/admin/club/13392/sitecontent/photos/view?album\_id=1014116



youngest & oldest?!



Reincarnation of Ian "Chairman" Waite's tackling!?



Match Report

## 4) Congrats to our Cup Winners From The Weekend



#### U16's Division 2 Champions

Essex U16 division 2 champions

undefeated allseason at home
Won 7
Lost 0
FG 260
AG102
DIFF 158
And also Essex waterfall cup runners
up 2022
All so proud of these boys ,next
season can't come quick enough



U14's Waterfall Cup Winners vs Billericay RFC

#### 5) PC & Roo Sporting Fun For Easter And... Adult Tag Rugby Sessions



PC&ROO Sporting Fun for the Easter Holidays: April 5th, 7th, 12th & 14th at the OBs. 10am-3pm. £20 per child per day. Now for all children aged 5-11. See website to request a booking form: https://www.pcandroo.fun/

Adult Tag Rugby: As mentioned to a number of people, after Easter PC&ROO are running adult tag rugby sessions to help those who work from home (or don't work / are retired, etc!). Exact days / times are tbc but it will be daytime to break people's days up and ensure they're getting away from their desks and doing exercise / having fun! Who knows, it may get more people to start playing on Saturdays?! Please email your interest and your most suitable days and times to: pcandroosportingfun@gmail.com

## 7) Rugby League Cares Thanks to our neighbours for our invite to this course:



Rugby League Cares initiative for "Ahead of the Game" which aims to help young players understand the importance of looking after their mental health.

The team are coming to Brentwood RLFC at Old Brentwoods on Thursday the 12th May.

We would like to extend the invitation to any of your coaches who might be interested.

I have spoken to the team and they suggested

the parents session would be best to attend.

U12/13s 5-6 pm U14/15s 5.30 pm - 6.30 pm U16/17/18s 6 - 7 pm Parents 7 - 8 pm

Please contact Stef

#### 8) Classy From Braintree U13's....



From Braintree Junior Rugby Club:

Braintree U13s played Old Brentwoods today in the cup final. Due to a shortage of players, Braintree lent Old Brentwoods 3 players to enable the game to go ahead. Old Brentwoods won 35-30 due to a late try by a loaned Braintree player, but the game will be submitted as a draw because of the sportsmanship that was shown throughout by Braintree lending players so that the game could go ahead. Old Brentwoods were very welcoming and rugby values were in full force from both sides. It was a pleasure to see.



#### 10) Clubhouse & Bar details

- Please contact Bill Curry for most up to date opening hours.
- enquire@oldbrentwoodsclub.org
- 07525 721431



#### 11) Old Brentwoods Rugby Club Shop: shorts, tops, socks tracksuits, bags etc

https://www.oldbrentwoodsshop.co.uk/

- Club shop is open for business, huge thanks for arranging this to Gary Christopher. Any queries, contact 70garyc@gmail.com
- Please note the slightly different website URL

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Looking for some dapper threads?
Old Brentwood Blazers
Choice of inning colour and style

Cost £175
Cost for fully paid club members
Supplier Perry uniform
Lead time 6-8 weeks
Contact David Knapp
drknapp@btinternet.com

#### 11) Blazers

- Blazers are available, but must be ordered (& paid for in) advance.
- 1 new 38long blazer available at a reduced cost of £125
- 1 used 38long blazer, in good condition at £75.
- Please contact our Treasurer David Knapp For Detail

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## Take care & see you soonBest OBRFC / Acorns Committee

PS If you would like anything included in the next update, please drop us a line