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LEITH SEVENS

FIRST TIE 12PM. ACADEMY PARK.

MEN'S CAPTAIN'S CORNER

A very warm welcome to the annual Leith 7s competition where 12 teams will compete to lift the much coveted silverware. After a long hard 15s season, often played on pitches with more resemblance to a ploughed field than to Murrayfield, it's time for some fast, skilful 7s rugby in the Leith sunshine (hopefully!)

While the regular season may be finished there is no end in sight to rugby in Leith. Our newly formed Woman's team will be making their inaugural bow in Leith colours at the Edinburgh City 7s on the 18th of June. It's a historic moment for Leith rugby so please get along and support the team!

We also have our weekly Tartan touch sessions beginning this Monday from 7pm which gives everyone the chance to try rugby in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere. If you've never played before or you're looking to get back to rugby after while away it's a great opportunity to get playing.

I hope everyone has a great time today, whether you're playing or enjoying a beer and burger on the sidelines it promises to be a great day.



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LEITH HAWKS



Over the past few weeks and months the Hawks have been busy in a number of different forms! We hosted our annual festival which saw kids from Dalkeith, Preston Lodge, Dunbar and Porty come to Academy Park and enjoy a great day of Rugby in early April.

We also hosted our regular primary school festival which saw 350 primary seven kids have a break from the classroom and take part in rugby. This is the culmination of the rugby blocks delivered in the Leith Academy cluster primary schools by our development officer.

Finally we had a very successful Easter Camp over the recent holiday! A number of boys and girls of different ages enjoying the wall to wall rugby the camp allows them, developing their skills and having fun!

There are still a number of fixtures left for the hawks before the summer break so keep an eye out!

LEITH WOMEN

As the world becomes more aware of the importance of equality and inclusivity in sports, it's great to see new teams forming that welcome players of all abilities and backgrounds. Leith women's team is inviting new players to join, regardless of their skill level or experience.

We're excited to be heading to Edinburgh City 7s for our first official competition as Leith women's team - we hope we'll see you there to support! And next season we hope to build on the foundations we've begun to build since forming in February of this year.

We understand that rugby can be an intimidating sport for those who have never played before, and we want to break down those barriers by creating a supportive and welcoming environment for all. Whether you're a seasoned rugby player or have never picked up a ball before, we want to help you learn and grow as a player.

If you're a woman who has always been curious about rugby but never had the opportunity to try it, Leith could be the perfect place for you. You'll be welcomed with open arms and given the support you need to develop your skills and become a valuable member of the team. And if you're a seasoned rugby player looking for a new challenge, we are ready to welcome you as well. We believe that there is always room for improvement and that every player has something valuable to offer.

Our ambition is to create a space where women of all abilities can thrive. If you're looking for a new adventure and a chance to be part of something special, don't hesitate to reach out!





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Where to play!

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NEXT CLUB EVENTS

Tickets for this years hotly anticipated Awards night are now on sale! The event will be held in the Leith Academy School theatre on the 3rd of June starting at 7.30. We will of course be welcoming back our hostess with the mostest, Craig Winton! However this year the event will be changed up a little bit with a few supprises along the way!

Tickets are £15 and available on the Leith Rugby website. Be sure to get them soon as they normally sell out!!

We are also hosting our annual golf day at Liberton Golf club on the 30th June. If your are interested in attending speak to Jim Smith or Bruce Connelly

After the awards night and golf day we are starting to plan for the 2023/24 nights at the club so if you have any ideas be sure to contact us on our social media channels.

TOURNAMENT PREVIEW

Once again we have managed to assemble some top teams (aswell as the One Tonne Titans), who will battle it out for the Carl Waugh trophy this afternoon at Academy Park!

We are delighted that teams have made the effort to travel far and wide to be here today and play in the tournament that has grown so much over the past 10 years.

We are delighted to welcome back last years winners Newton Stewart, who will look to defend the Carl Waugh trophy. The only other side to win the main tournament are indeed the home side who last won in 2007.

Leith who last year won the shield will be hoping to go one better this year as well as returning prize winners Portobello, Napier and Mighty Bovs.

A number of sides make their Leith 7s debut this year (atleast in its new form) in the shape of Corstorphine, Edinburgh Northern, Duns and QMU.

Hope you enjoy the fabulous rugby we have on show today aswell as the beer served by our Friends at Campervan and the bbq run by our youth committee!



POOL A
MIGHTY BOVS
DUNS
ONE TONNE TITANS

POOL B
NEWTON STEWART
EDIN NORTHERN
CORSTORPHINE

POOL C
LIBERTON LEOPARDS
PORTOBELLO
QMU

POOL D
LEITH
NAPIER
LIVINGSTON

RUNNING ORDER

| Time | Game | Pitch 1 | Game | Pitch 2 |
|-------|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---|
| 12.00 | Game 1 | One Tonne Titans v Duns | Game 2 | Newton Stewart v Edinburgh Northern |
| 12.20 | Game 3 | Liberton Leopards v Porty | Game 4 | Leith v Livingston |
| 12.40 | Game 5 | Duns v Might Bobs | Game 6 | Edinburgh Northern v Corstorphine Cougars |
| 13.00 | Game 7 | Porty v QMU | Game 8 | Livingston v Napier |
| 13.20 | Game 9 | Mighty Bobs v One Tonne Titans | Game 10 | Newton Stewart v Corstorphine Cougars |
| 13.40 | Game 11 | Liberton Leopards v QMU | Game 12 | Leith v Napier |
| 14.20 | Knock out 1 | Pool A Loser v Pool C Loser | Knock out 2 | Pool B Loser v Pool D Loser |
| 14.40 | Knock out 3 | Pool A Run up v Pool C Run Up | Knock out 4 | Pool B Run Up v Pool D Run Up |
| 15.00 | Knock out 5 | Pool A Winner v Pool C Winner | Knock out 6 | Pool B Winner v Pool D Winner |
| 15.20 | BOWL Final | KO 3 Winner v KO 4 Winner | SHIELD Final | KO 1 Winner v KO 2 Winner |
| 15.40 | CUP Final | KO 5 Winner v KO 6 Winner | PLATE Final | KO 5 Loser v KO 6 Loser |

LEITH RUGBY



1. C FINDLAY
2. R MARWICK
3. M CROLLA
4. A MOHAMED
5. A SLESSOR
6. R GREENAN
7. A ALEXANDER
8. A GHIGI
9. A BAXTER
10. J FRASER



Leith have had a bit of a mixed 7s programme to date, coming off of a long 15s season with a number of key injuries (excuses in early) we may not have got the results we wanted. Also very kindly given a group of death at northern 7s (thanks guys!!) Watch out for the few titans drafted into the squad

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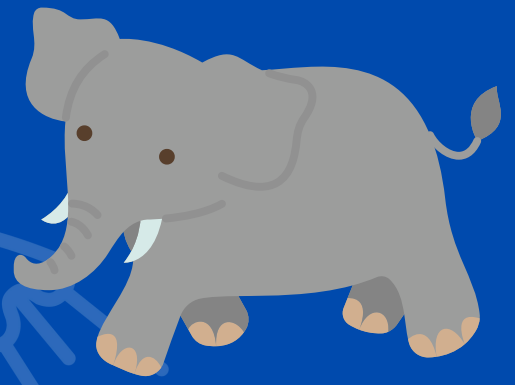
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ONE TONNE TITANS



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2. B PLACE
3. F FORSYTH
4. J NIMMO
5. T LAWRIE
6. D MULLENS
7. J DRUMMOND
8. M MUNRO
9. G WATRET-LEES
10. A BROWN
11. P DUNCAN



**They may be at a 7s tournament, they may be wearing rugby gear but these are not 7s players, approach with extreme caution.. Expect pick and goes, rolling mauls and the best scrum of the day.
Will be in the bar ar 2pm**