

Chairman's Newsletter

August 2016

Dear Valued Member,

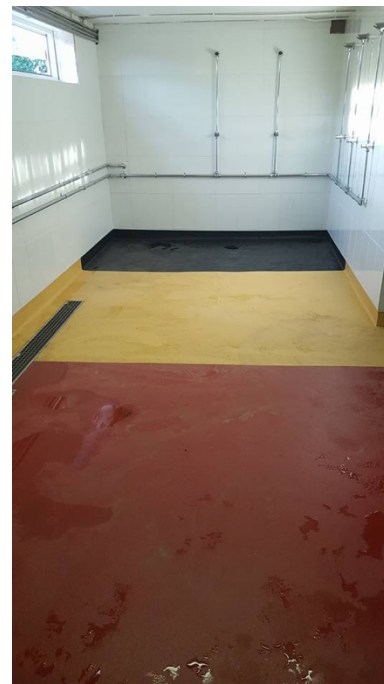
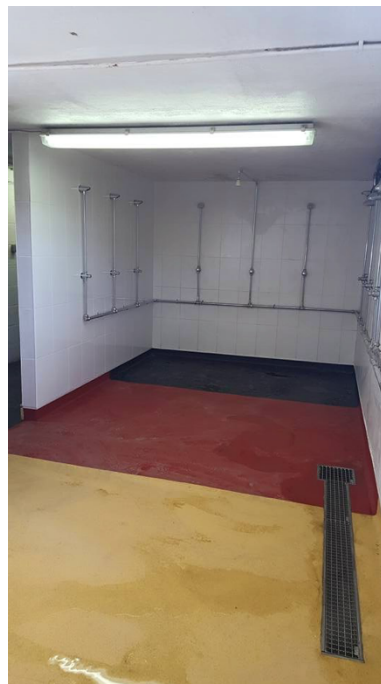
I would like to welcome you to the first, of what will hopefully be, the monthly "Chairman's Newsletter". It has become apparent that as a committee, we need to be doing more to communicate with the club's membership and inform you of what is going on in the club and the work the committee is doing to ensure Kings Norton RFC continues to grow. Through this monthly newsletter I hope to keep you updated and informed of everything that is happening at Kings Norton RFC.

Club House and Grounds

Showers and Changing rooms:

The committee have been working hard to ensure the developments to the club's shower and changing room facilities are completed. We are pleased to announce that work started on 1st August and has involved the following work:

- Brand new shower floor with drainage
- Total of 14 shower heads
- Security door between gent's toilets and changing rooms/showers
- Dividing door between 1st team changing room and the showers



Through this work we will have new and improved showering facilities, that both our playing members and visitors can benefit from. The dividing door between the showers and 1st team changing room is of particular importance. This feature gives us greater capacity to host more girl's teams, in particular with our ever growing junior section.

A big thank you must go to President Mark Pearson, Pete Crompton and Aiden from ACE Electrical and DJ Decorators for all the hard work they have put in towards this project.

Roof and Guttering:

Work is being carried out by Jason O'Donnell to make repairs to the roof. Jason has cleared the moss off the roof and will be replacing broken tiles where required. Work will also be undertaken to repair the guttering and wooden boarding.

Future Plans:

The next plans in place, pending grants from the RFU and other bodies, are to fully refurbish the toilet facilities in the club. Priority will be given to the ladies toilets and developing baby changing facilities, with plans to then refurbish the gents toilets.

Playing Affairs:

Training:

Pre-season training began on 5th July and has been going well. Sessions are being run by coach Chris Hands, with a focus on building fitness and core skills. Training starts promptly at 7:30pm but all are welcome and if you haven't been down yet, get yourself down!

Recruitment Drive 20th August 2016 10am to 4pm

To help with the recruitment of new players, both the Senior and Junior sections have obtained a stand at the Kingfisher Centre, Redditch. Any members who are able to come down and help with the recruitment drive would be greatly appreciated. The stand will be next to JD Sports and Sports Direct. Please contact Simon Thompson on 07968424585, we look forward to seeing you there!



Fixtures:

1st XV:

3rd September – Pershore v KNRFC (North Mids Vase) 3pm KO

10th September – KNRFC v Coventry Welsh (League) 3pm KO

17th September – Harbury v KNRFC (League) 3pm KO

2nd XV:

24th September – Bournville 3's v KNRFC 2's (Merit Table) 3pm KO

Membership:

The committee have reviewed and amended the membership fees for the 2016/17 season as follows:

Player Member: £70.00

Student/Unemployed: £30.00

Social: £50.00

Match Fees: £5.00/£2.50

Kings Norton Rugby Club costs over £12,000 a year to run the club and your subscription fees and donations play a massive part in insuring the club is able to run and function each year. It is vital that all subscription fees are paid by 1st October 2016.

Rhinos:

The U15's, currently our oldest age group, have a brand new match kit for this season. This will see them looking very professional as they play their fixtures this year! A big thank you must go to Brown Roofing and Jason O'Donnell for sponsoring this.



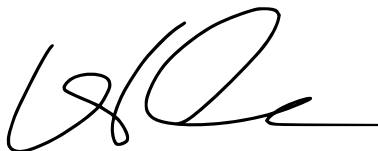
Events:

- Friday 19th August – Camp Night
- Saturday 20th August – Recruitment Drive @ Kingfisher Centre, Redditch
- Saturday 3rd September – Pershore v KNRFC (North Mids Vase) 3pm KO
- Sunday 4th September – American Football (Worcestershire Black Knights)
- Saturday 10th September – KNRFC v Coventry Welsh (League) 3pm KO
- Saturday 17th September – Harbury v KNRFC (League) 3pm KO
- Saturday 5th November – Bonfire Night @ KNRFC

As I am sure you will agree, there are lots of exciting developments taking place at Kings Norton, with more plans for the future. We will endeavour to do our best to keep you up to date and informed on everything that is going on at KNRFC through this monthly (hopefully!) Chairman's Newsletter.

Until next time, we hope to see you at Hopwood Park soon!

Sincerely



Kris Fenn
Hon. Chairman

Core Values
Team Work, Discipline, Respect, Enjoyment, Sportsmanship

