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Whitley Bay Rockcliff RFC



### CLUB NEWS

Is the collective effort of Rockcliff Rugby Club to support one of our junior players in his brave fight against cancer. Currently we are raising money for Teenage Cancer Trust at a Race Night on 12th October at the Rugby Club.

Olly Little has played for the club since he was 6. Just like his Dad Steve and his brother Max he has proudly pulled on the cardinal and gold shirt.

Now 13, Olly has unfortunately been diagnosed with Osteosarcoma (bone cancer) in his right leg and it has been decided that the best course of action is to remove the leg above the knee. This gives Olly the best chance of being tumor free and should allow him to get 90% mobility back with the aid of a prosthetic.

What makes this even more challenging is that Olly and Max lost their mum to breast cancer 6 years ago. So they have already gone through more than many adults will ever.

This Rock4Olly event is raising money for Teenage Cancer Trust who are helping to care for Olly at the Great North Hospital.

Just under £1,200 was raised at the U14S festival for the Teenage Cancer Trust. Please help support the next TCT fundraiser - be an owner, jockey or trainer and/or come along to the Race Night on Friday 12th October.

### SPORT

#### Karl's Comments



The first team league season has got off to a good start with maximum points from the matches so far. Vikings had a great win in the first league match followed by a tricky character building away trip then back on track with a convincing win v Durham City.

The most important thing is genuine competition for places, brought about by getting numbers to training, giving coaches Darren Cunningham and Craig Hamilton selection choices instead of problems.

Rangers have started well against strong opposition and will be looking to take the lessons learned into the league and Cup.

30+ veterans enjoyed a run out to kick off the opening weekend of the AGP celebrations resulting in a narrow defeat to Novos but ultimately rugby was the winner.

Our first mixed colts team for a number of years have started the season brightly with a narrow away loss to a strong Consett team followed by an epic victory over a big Gateshead side.

The age grade season has also got off to a good start with the annual Friendly Festivals and the minis making great use of every blade of artificial grass.

Girls rugby is continuing to grow rapidly at Rockcliff with the coaches going into local schools to spread the word.

*Karl - Director of Rugby*

#### Training

Tuesday and Thursdays - Seniors

**Social Touch Rugby** 6.30-7.30 Thursdays

Mini, Junior, Girls & Colts -see team managers

#### AGP IT'S SOFT YET SPIKEY - LET'S KEEP IT THAT WAY BE BOOTWISE

✓ Clean RFU compliant screw-in or moulded studs

✗ No blades - no trainers - no flat shoes

# AGP PITCHSIDE SPONSORSHIP

## FINANCIAL and FUNDRAISING



Funds raised to date for

**£1,182**



### Rockcliff 100-1 Club Monthly Draw

Draw takes place the first Saturday of each month  
 Don't miss out on your chance to win up to £300.  
 Forms and further details available from Neil Thornton  
 and/or application forms in the members bar and on  
 the website.

### DIARY DATES

Keep those eyes peeled for details of  
 Jack Quinn's Quizzical Evenings



### Club Race Night

All proceeds to TCT

Fri 12th Oct



## Highlight Of The Rockcliff Social Calendar

### Annual Dinner Dance

3 course meal, live band, £25 per head.  
 Contact Scott Carruthers 07963207412.  
 Why not get an age grade table together.  
 U14s (or anyone) please feel free to  
 contact Liz Fletcher 07946326972. Always  
 a brilliant evening. **NOT TO BE MISSED !**

Sat 3rd Nov



### A LOOK BACK IN TIME

at our November 2002 Newsletter (way back  
 when Kylie couldn't get you out of her head) !

*"Junior Section....Simon Lowe and his junior coaches are  
 doing wonders with the kids, I truly appreciate their  
 success. Twenty plus are training every Sunday morning  
 whatever the weather." Scott Carruthers - Chairman*

**Just look at us now !**

Next issue to very possibly include Cookery Corner,  
 Reader's Wives, fashion, news of more wins and very  
 possibly a page 3 !

As ever thanks to contributors, volunteers and Club  
 members for continued support. Articles please to:-  
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