

# LATEST MID SUMMER NEWS FROM THE HOME OF RUGBY - PRENTON RUFC

Sad news section - the newsletter regrets to announce the recent death of Swampy. He died of a heart attack. They offered him a bypass but he protested.

## CLOSE SEASON NEWS

### Captains for the coming season:

1st XV	-	Dave Thomas	2nd XV	-	Russell Dodd
3rd XV	-	Matt Houston	4th XV	-	Greg Pandit

We all wish them all the luck in the world!!

## TRAINING

Has already started to get us all into the finely honed trim for the coming season. Each week, training:

- on Monday evening, fitness and football in Walker Park, start at 7.00pm
- on Wednesday evening at the club, 7.00pm prompt on the pitch, for sessions with club coaches Brian Elkerton and Peter Lewis with assistance from Phil Davies and Jim Percival.

The club has arranged for Peter Lewis, Gary Fisher and Paul Cotgrave to attend RFU Coaching seminars leading to qualified coach accreditation. Gary and Paul will look after the under 17 XV this coming season. So far there has been good turn outs to coaching and training with 25+ lads, including some welcome new faces! Get all your arses up there Mondays and Wednesdays.

## MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

This year, there will be a discount for speedy payment!

- Subs paid BEFORE 30th September: £30 playing; £15 student playing
- Subs paid AFTER 30th September: £45 playing; £20 student playing
- New members during the season: £30; Non playing members: £15

## INTERNATIONAL TICKETS

- 15th November at Twickenham: England v Australia
- 22nd November at Twickenham: England v New Zealand
- 29th November at Twickenham: England v South Africa
- 6th December at Twickenham: England v New Zealand.

Just a steady run in to Christmas. huh?!? And you can see it all live on fucking Sky fucking Murdoch bastard TV. If you're so lucky! However, if you want tickets for these games, you have to be a fully paid member of Prenton RUFC: contact Alan 'Scrones' Jones on 334 0477 before 19th July.

Next year's Five Nations games are:

France v England: 7.2.98; England v Wales: 21.2.98; Scotland v England: 21.3.98  
England v Ireland: 4.4.98

## AWARDS FROM LAST SEASON and some Highlights of the Dinner ....

- Player of the Year: Gary Fisher
- Players' Player of the Year: Billy Shaw
- Young Player of the Year: Mark 'Mush' Cotgrave/Wilf Lee (jointly)
- Clubman of the Year: Alan 'Scrones' Jones

"The front row pulled their bollocks off." Steve Wallace describing some seemingly masochistic behaviour in his 1st XV Captain's report. "We've gone through 62 players in the seconds," Toby Tyler boasting of his sexual conquests? "Matt Houston is taking over at the realm," Paul Bennett, the retiring 3rd XV skipper malapropismed about his successor. "Chris Smith, a winger I've never played with," mused Arthur Howarth leaving us all to speculate on just how many wide men he's interfered with over the years!!!