

# **Broughton Park Football Club**

**(Rugby Union)**

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## **2020/21 Season Youth Update**

### **Welcome to new and returning players**

We start the season in an unprecedented climate due the event of COVID 19 and the restrictions it currently places on our game but we are looking forward as ever to welcoming both returning and new players to our club.

The 2019/20 season had to be the shortest on record with so many games and training sessions cancelled due to flooded pitches, followed by the country wide lockdown bring the season to an abrupt end; leaving us with our usual celebrations. We did however see some great rugby across our Youth Section from Colts down.

This season we will have once again junior boys from Snr Colts (Under 18s) down to Under 12s and junior girls teams from Under 18 Under junior girls teams down to Under 12; plus as ever our mixed Mini's teams down to our Under 6 Development Squad. All teams would welcome new players, so why not try and bring a few friends down to give rugby a try.

Through the England Rugby "Age Grade" our players start in a 4v4 game at Under 7's, with the team numbers building and skills layering on up to the full game and Under 16 and beyond. It is not easy keeping teams going up to Colts and last season again we saw a team that had made it though thanks to the dedication of our volunteer coaches.

To enable us to run 15 age grade squads we provide ongoing support for our volunteers to gain appropriate qualifications for the roles they are so kindly giving their time to do. Youth rugby is dependent on volunteers and as ever we need to thank all our coaches, other volunteer parents and members who keep us on track. We always need more help so please don't be afraid to offer any help you can this season, even if you can only commit to one or two times over the 35 weeks.

We love to enjoyed the social side of our sport as well as the game itself, with successful events such as our "Curry Night" fundraiser for our adults and a fun "Halloween and Fireworks Spooktacular" for our younger members again; thanks to the support of Saj at Chorlton Fireworks. Income from these events are vital to aid the running of our club and in current circumstances we are not sure what we will be able to run this season. Sponsorship is the other vital income support to the club. Current teams have been sponsored by Williams Land Rover and local businesses Barbakan and J P & Brimelow, to whom we are massively grateful; new sponsors are always needed but this season more than ever.



## **Kid First Rugby and Age Grade Rugby Core Values**

We are a Kids First Rugby Club. There has been a lot of investment into Age Grade Rugby to make our sport safer and more enjoyable for all. Please take the time to look at what Age Grade and Kids First Rugby is about, as it involves all players, parents, coaches and officials. Full details can be found at: -

<https://www.englandrugby.com/participation/coaching/age-grade-rugby>

<https://www.englandrugby.com/participation/coaching/kids-first>

As ever the club aims to ensure that players, coaches, parents and spectators uphold the core values of rugby union – Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline and Sportsmanship. These values are reflected in the RFU's Code of Rugby on the back of this update.

Sadly last season we again saw and had feedback from officials of our sport about negative behaviour from the sidelines; there is no place for this in our game. We are proud of our England Rugby accreditation and Kids First Rugby status, which is recognition that the club is providing a quality rugby union experience for all its young players; so please ensure you play your part in upholding it.

### **Safeguarding**

As a kids first rugby club we are committed to safeguarding the welfare of children and vulnerable adults. We encourage the taking of appropriate images of children involved in rugby celebrating the core values of the sport. The England Rugby guidance for parents and coaches can be found on <https://www.englandrugby.com/governance/safeguarding/> and in our club policy on the website [www.broughton-park.org.uk](http://www.broughton-park.org.uk). It is based on common sense and we would ask everyone to read and comply with this guidance. Parental permission for the taking of photographs is sought on the England Rugby Game Management System (GMS), which is mandatory this season. You must also notify your coach if you do not give photo consent.

Our Mini players should not be left without parental supervision at the side lines. Last season again our coaches noted this was at times an issue, so please be mindful of this; your children love you to watch them play and support them along with their fellow players positively on the sidelines.

### **Club Membership & Fees**

**Membership for 2020/21 is on line via** England Rugby Game Management System (GMS), this is mandatory, as it is vital to aid our COVID 19 Track and Trace. We ask all members to have a valid e-mail address and contact number on the system; ideally we would like two parent/guardian/next of kin contact for training and match day; as we have had problems when one has not been contactable. It is important to disclose any medical, health or welfare condition in confidence; so we can support our young players appropriately and safely.

This season we have held our fees which were increased last season after having been held for several seasons. We are an inclusive Club and will support players if required, as we want players of all ages to enjoy the game but the Club does not run itself. We have fantastic facilities including a 3G pitch, which all teams use to train on over wet winter periods and a club house with amazing grandstand views. These all come at a cost to run and repair, which is greatly dependent on our membership fees. On top of basic utilities and maintenance there is the cost of equipment, funding courses for our volunteers, plus the cost of the food bill for visiting teams etc.

We want new players to have tried a couple of sessions before they sign, however it is vital that membership is completed as soon as possible; as all players need to sign up and be paid up as registered members of the club for insurance and safeguarding reasons. New players arriving thought the season will have the same two week trial before sign up.

## Membership fees 2020/21

We were due to increase fees this season, as our annual membership remain significantly lower than other local clubs.

We are aware however that some members may currently be struggling financially with the impact of COVID 19, so the youth committee have agreed to hold the price of membership for this season; plus are offering a COVID Season reduction for those who need to take it.

Please note that COVID 19 is also having a financial impact on our club, with a loss of bar and hire revenue but with overheads membership alone doesn't cover. We therefore ask if you can make the full payment please do so.

Payments are to be made in full at start of season/joining or by Monthly Standing order set up to our youth account for 12 Monthly payments from September 2020 (or on month of joining) to August 2021 inclusive; with your player age grade, first initial and surname for reference e.g. U7JBloggs

Bank - Natwest  
Account Name - Broughton Park Youth Rugby  
Your Ref - Age Grade & Name e.g. U7JBloggs  
Account No - 21103178  
Sort code - 010197

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2020/21 Youth Membership Fees: -

Full Membership payment (inc 1 Parent member) 1 player £120 2 Players £210  
3+ Players £260

Full Membership payment (inc 2 Parent members) 1 player £135 2 Players £225  
Full Membership payment (inc 2 Parent members) 3+ Player Family £275

2020/21 Season Standing order

	1 parent	2 parents
1 Child	£10.00	£11.25
2 Children	£17.50	£18.75
3 Children	£21.67	£23.00

COVID Reduction on full payment

	1 parent	2 parents
1 Child	£80	£95
2 Children	£130	£145
3 Children	£160	£175

2020/21 Season COVID Reduction offer Standing Order 1 parent 2 parents

	1 parent	2 parents
1 Child.	£6.67	£7.92
2 Children.	£10.83	£12.09
3 Children	£13.33	£14.55

If any parent/guardian has a particular financial needs regarding the payment of membership fees this can be discussed in confidence with either: Phillipa Ranson – Youth Membership Secretary, Kay Silvey – Youth Treasurer or Rob Loveday -Youth Chairman.

Please note of you are paying by **standing order it is to be paid over 12 months starting in September 2020 (or the Month you join) and continued to August 2021.**

## England Rugby Age Grade Registration

In line with the Regulations that govern our sport all players need to be registered with England Rugby within 45 day of joining the club and prior to playing in any Lancashire Cup games; for safety and insurance reasons. This has always been a one off youth registration, so once players are on the system they do not have re-register annually; **however they will need to annually update their profile information and picture and this season ensure they confirm photo consent status then they can be reaccepted as club members.**

From this season the registration is electronic via the England Rugby Game Management System, (GMS) please see the link below on how to register via our Club: -

<https://gms.rfu.com/GMS/CreateAccount/?OrganisationId=2453>

The teams playing in Lancashire cup competitions this season will require their photo ID cards to be allowed to participate. If your child is already registered then please login and update their information via: -

<https://gms.rfu.com/GMS/Account/Login>

If you don't have internet access we can arrange a time to access the online system at the Club via your coach or Phillipa Ranson 07890 967709. If you need your players login details e-mailing to you then please contact Phillipa Ranson via e-mail at [youthmembership@broughton-park.org.uk](mailto:youthmembership@broughton-park.org.uk) with the **player's name and team in the subject line.**

### Kit and Shirts

A Broughton Park rugby shirt is provided for all player for games. Players need to have black shorts, socks and preferably a training shirt. We do have an on-line club shop but additional items don't have to be club branded. Our Minis teams tend to have shirts issued for the season and they are collected in at the end of season, while our junior teams tend to issue and collect shirts in at each game but are provided with a post match polo shirt to wear and our Colts are issued with Club ties.

We always welcome new kit sponsors and a most grateful to previous sponsor current sponsors Williams Land Rover (U9-11s & U13 Girls) and Barbakan (U8s,12s & 13s) and Eddie at JP & Brimelow (U15s & 14s) for their support this season. We are always looking for new club sponsors if you are interested; it can be for kit or pitch side banners produce by JA Signs & Graphics.

### In addition players need:

- Boots – the studs must be proper rugby studs and **Kite** marked. This season we are requesting again that **no plastic "mouldies"** are worn as they have caused injuries in several clubs over the last couple of season.
- All contact rugby players must wear a gum shield in matches and training.
- We see all weathers through our rugby season and request that parents ensure their children come with appropriate layers of clothing especially our U6 Development squad. Age grade players are permitted to wear base layers provided they comply with the World Rugby Regulatory requirements which are available on [www.worldrugby.org/](http://www.worldrugby.org/)
- **No zip tops should be worn when training or playing.** We also request **hoodies are not worn to train or play in**; if worn please tuck hood in and have playing shirt over the top.
- Players of all age grades are permitted to wear spectacles, glasses or specifically designed sports goggles in all forms of **non-contact** rugby. **Players are not permitted to wear spectacles, glasses or specifically designed sports goggles in any form of contact rugby.** Note: For information about the RFU goggles trial, please see RFU Goggles Trial Update at [www.englandrugby.com/governance/regulations/](http://www.englandrugby.com/governance/regulations/)
- Dry clothes may be needed for after, not only to help warm up post session but also to look after our club house and the clubs we visit.
- Water bottles should also be provided, especially on hot days.

## Games & Training

This will take place on Sundays between 10.30am and 11.30am for the majority Minis & Juniors when there isn't a fixture, plus for all age grades over U9 who play the contact game every Wednesday between 19.00hrs and 20.00hrs depending on age grade; unless your coach notifies you of change of the day and time. Our U13 Girls will play ahead of ladies fixtures and our Colts will play at Sunday pm.

## Matches and Transport

If our teams are to thrive it is vital that we have the support of parents, especially in helping to transport players to away fixtures.

As the age grades progress it's also difficult to plan the fixture if you don't know who will be there or to even plan training sessions. Please be mindful that our coaches have family and work lives as well as supporting our players and they need your support even if it's only a reply to say yes or no to availability as soon as possible. We need to let our opposition know we can field a team and for catering usually buy Thursday at the latest. It's not great on the morning of the game if you suddenly find we only have half a team or they have bought an prepared food for a team who doesn't arrive.

## Social Events and fundraising

Fundraising is always a vital aspect of the youth section. It enables us to purchase additional kit and other specific items highlighted.

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for Broughton Park FC with **Easyfundraising**? There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, the trainline and Sainsbury's; it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

1. Head to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/broughtonparkfc/> and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and Broughton Park FC will be really grateful for your donations.

## Events

During the year we normally organise the following Events but at this time we can not plan these due to COVID 19 Restrictions.

- September - Membership Day & Season Welcome
- October - Family "Halloween & Fireworks Spooktacular"
- November - Adults "Curry Fundraiser"
- December - Youth Christmas Party
- April - Twilight 12s (U12s Mini Rugby Festival)
- April - BPFC Happy Sundays Mini Rugby Festival (U7s-U11s)
- Sale Sharks - Club outing (U7&8's Half time tag demo)
- May End of presentations

## Club shop

We have an online Club shop which can be accessed directly at: - <https://www.oneills.com/shop-by-team/rugby/rugby-union/broughton-park-fc-1.html> or via the "Shopping" tab on the Club website [www.park.org.uk](http://www.park.org.uk) If you sign up as a member you earn discount points, the more members we have the greater discount we all get. The Club also get a percentage kick back in terms of kit for all purchases. There will be an additional discount codes throughout the season.

## 250 Club

Another way to help raise funds and hopefully if you're lucky get something back! The winning numbers are drawn in the Club House twice a year with prizes of £800,£100 and £50. All members are invited to attend. See the club website for application forms and further details.

## Website & Social Media

Our website is not link to England Rugby GMS [www.broughton-park.org.uk](http://www.broughton-park.org.uk) Each team needs admins to keep the site up to date. You can follow us on Facebook on Broughton Park Rugby BPF or on Twitter @broughtonparkfc and Instagram @broughtonparkfc please help us develop positive social media for our Club.

## Volunteers Needed

As noted already we are a voluntary-run community amateur sports club and that means we need everyone to help in any way you can. You don't need to know about the game to help with admin or run the "Tuck Shop" or just help set up or tidy up. We also fund training for specific roles: -

- There are a range of courses available: - first aid, refereeing, safeguarding, coaching etc. Please contact Andrew Mullen, Club coach co-ordinator for details [ajm.mullen@gmail.com](mailto:ajm.mullen@gmail.com)
- To protect our players and volunteers the RFU DBS check all coaches and parent helpers who have direct contact with our players such as first aiders and safeguarding officers. For further information on this please contact our safeguarding team via e-mail [safeguarding@broughton-park.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@broughton-park.org.uk)

## Proposed Coaches/Officials for 2020/21

Snr Colts	John Heald & Jim Rochford
U18 Girls	Daryl Gray
U16s	Matthew Mirecki, Greg Wheelan, Rob Loveday & Mark Silvey
U15 Girls	Saul Quirke & Mark Hamilton & Daryl Gray
U15s	Andy Trotter, Graham Higginbotham, Connor Reeves & Peter Manners, Rob Richards, Chris Reeves
U14s	Andrew Mullen, Simon Ainsworth, Phillipa Ranson & Chris Wallace
U13 Girls	Abbie Ollie & Daryl Gray
U13s	Tony Bell & Mark Chadwick
U12s	Al O'Brian & Jon Rooke
U11s	Mitch Brough & Paul McGrath
U10s	Chris Hope & Chris Grocott
U9s	Richard Glazier
U8s	Richard Moreton & Mike Baumber
U7s	Tom Kenney, James Hayes & Mark Flynn
U6s	Owen Lucas

## Proposed Youth Rugby Officers for 2020/20

Post	2020/21
Chair	Rob Loveday
Youth Secretary/ Membership Secretary	Phillipa Ranson
Mini/Junior Fixture Secretary	Paul McGrath
Treasurer	Kay Silvey
Colts Transition Officer	Mark Lloyd
Safeguarding Officers	Jon Rook
Social Secretary	Andrew Trotter

**All the best for the 2020/21 Season - Thank you for being part of the team**



**WE PLAY  
RUGBY**

# CODE OF RUGBY

**EVERYONE INVOLVED IN RUGBY IN ENGLAND, WHETHER AS A PLAYER, COACH REFEREE, ADMINISTRATOR, PARENT OR SPECTATOR IS EXPECTED TO UPHOLD THE CORE VALUES OF OUR SPORT**

**TEAMWORK . RESPECT .  
ENJOYMENT . DISCIPLINE .  
SPORTSMANSHIP**

**PLAY TO WIN - BUT NOT AT ALL COST**

**WIN WITH DIGNITY, LOSE WITH GRACE**

**OBSERVE THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE GAME**

**RESPECT OPPONENTS, REFEREES AND ALL PARTICIPANTS**

**REJECT CHEATING, RACISM, VIOLENCE AND DRUGS**

**VALUE VOLUNTEERS AND PAID OFFICIALS ALIKE**

**ENJOY THE GAME**



## Broughton Park FC (Rugby Union)



Here's our essential list of kit to make sure your child benefits from our qualified coaching and enjoys rugby in a safe way!



**Bring some water.** It might be cold outside, but plenty of fluids are vital to exercise.



**Warm clothing.** Even though they'll be running around it's important everyone has warm clothing for training



**Tell us about any new or existing injury or medical condition.** It lets our coaches adapt the coaching to keep everyone involved!

**WATCH  
& YOU'LL  
BELONG**

**Stay, support and encourage!**

Each child must have a parent or guardian present. Watch your child's skills develop and them enjoying the sport.

**Appropriate footwear and kit**

It's a muddy game – proper footwear and kit helps your child reduce their chance of injury. Proper footwear and gum shields are essential!



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**TEAMWORK RESPECT ENJOYMENT DISCIPLINE SPORTSMANSHIP**