



# OLD COVENTRIANS JUNIOR SECTION COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER

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Following the meeting of the Junior Committee on 21 November 2012, the Committee would like to update coaches, parents and volunteers about the following items:

## **Events Update**

- **New Year's Eve 2012** – Tickets are available from behind the bar. £10 per adult to include food and £5 for children aged 15 and under. The event starts at 7pm.
- **Quiz** – 1 March 2013 – A whole club event – food will also be available. Tickets will be available behind the bar nearer the time.
- **Mini Festival** – Sunday 14 April 2013 – U7s to U12. Volunteers will be needed to help us with this event which the players always enjoy!

## **Safeguarding Audit**

OCs voluntarily underwent a safeguarding audit on Sunday 11 November and received excellent feedback from the independent assessor. If anyone would like to view the executive summary it is available from Nigel Clews, Junior Chairman.

## **Play it Safe Workshop**

One of the recommendations of the audit (of which there were very few) was to hold a club Play It Safe workshop. This has been arranged for Wednesday 30 January 2013 from 6.30 pm to 9.30 pm at Old Coventrians. The committee would like at least one coach from each age group to attend if possible and administrators/safeguarding officers are also invited to attend.

The workshop is very informative and thought provoking. It should prove a good opportunity to have interesting discussions and further develop our existing good practice. Please let Emma Over know who will be attending by 7 January 2013.

## **Tour kit from Andy Blair's**

Whereas coaches and parents should purchase main kit from the club shop, Andy Blair is authorised to use the club badge for kit for tours etc.

## **Spot your volunteer at OCs!**

Click on the link below to the December Edition of the RFU Touchline: [http://www.rfu.com/~media/Files/2012/Touchline/Touchline\\_1212.ashx?utm\\_campaign=Barry\\_TOUCHLINE-December&utm\\_groupid=1200009730&utm\\_source=touchline-0712](http://www.rfu.com/~media/Files/2012/Touchline/Touchline_1212.ashx?utm_campaign=Barry_TOUCHLINE-December&utm_groupid=1200009730&utm_source=touchline-0712)

Fancy getting involved just see John Lapworth!

## **Tour Information**

Emma Over has emailed coaches and administrators requesting information about forthcoming tours next year. All of the information needs to be confirmed to the Constituent Body to gain approval for the tours to actually go ahead (at least one month before the tour takes place).

Emma has also requested feedback on tour companies/venues/accommodation etc - both positive and negative. We have a lot of knowledge between us and it is useful to share this with groups who have not yet toured for example. If you have anything you would like to share, please email Emma Over ([theovers@sky.com](mailto:theovers@sky.com)). *(Thank you to all who have notified Emma so far.)*

## **Fixture Secretary**

Despite the committee's best efforts to persuade Amanda otherwise, Amanda Sheepy has chosen to step down from the fixture secretary role next year. Thank you to Amanda for doing a brilliant job.

Posters and further information will be posted in the club house in the near future about the role. If anyone thinks they may be interested, please get in touch with Nigel Clews.

## **First Aid Course**

This will take place at the club on Sunday 20 and Sunday 27 January 2013. Please contact Stuart Berry or Jane Waterhouse for further information if you would like to attend.

## **Equipment Orders**

Coaches are requested to get their equipment orders (for the second half of the season) to John Lapworth before Christmas please.

## **Festive Fun and Festive Sunday**

This year, not only will there be Festive Fun on Sunday 16 December – there will also be a Festive Sunday on Sunday 23 December. Festive Fun will involve the usual players and parents rugby game (non contact of course!) and a visit from Santa and his pixie. Whereas Festive Sunday will be a less active affair with mulled wine and mince pies. Don't miss out – come and join us – you know you want to!