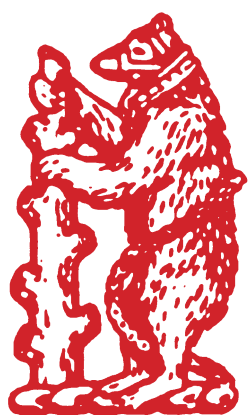


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K. Brown

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Warwickshire Schools RFU

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WRFU Rep –S. Latham

Secretary - M. Murphy

Warwickshire Under 19's (Colts) RFU

R. Wormell (Chairman), R.A. Jones (Secretary),

M. Smith (Assistant Secretary & Treasurer),

G. Waterhouse (U17's League Secretary),

R.A. Jones (U19's Merit League).

Website: - www.warwickshirecoltsrfu.com

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League Secretary

R. Roberts

Vice Presidents

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B. Waterhouse (South Warwickshire)

Community Rugby Coaches

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D. Osleton
P. Scanlon
H. Thomas

County Safeguarding Manager

J. Waterhouse

SUB COMMITTEES

The President is an ex-officio member of all Sub-Committees

Finance Committee

G. Bayliss, C. McGinty, D. Robbins

County Championship & Representative XV

G. W. Watts (Chairman), A. Roberts (Match Secretary),
I. Grant, D. Barry

Under 20 XV

D. Tolfts (Chairman), G. W. Watts (Match Secretary),
M. Smith, P. Jackson, R. Munro, D. Barry.

Under 18 XV

C. Hart (Chairman), John Cooper (Team Manager),
R.A. Jones (Secretary & Vice Chairman) N. McCollin (Schools)
R. Dixon (Asst Secretary) R. White (Head Coach).

Disciplinary Committee

Disciplinary/Admin Secretary: M. Murphy
RFU Accredited Chairmen:
R. Howe, G. Payne, D. Robbins, D. Tolfts, C. Baldwin.

WRFU 2nd Tier Leagues

K. Brown

Competitions Committee

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G. Payne, B. Roberts, R. Roberts, L. Rodgers, R. Wormell,

Under 19's Committee (Colts)

C. Baldwin (Chairman), R. Jones (Secretary), A. McKerlie, L.
Rodgers, M. Smith, G. Waterhouse, R. White, R. Wormell.

REPRESENTATION ON OTHER BODIES

Midland Counties

G. Payne, C. J. McGinty, K. Brown

Midland Counties Under 18's

C. Hart

Midland Counties Under 16's

Representatives to be appointed

English Rugby Counties Association

C.J. McGinty.

**WARWICKSHIRE RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION
RUGBY DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP
CLUB WARWICKSHIRE**

STRUCTURE

EXECUTIVE

This is made up of representatives of each of the Sub-Committees under the chairmanship of the Chair of Club Warwickshire (Don Robbins) who will be elected annually. Other members will include the County Secretary and Treasurer, Referees Society, RRDM or RDO.

- To set targets for each sub committee.
- Set realistic budgets against the targets set.
- Where and when appropriate, bring other partners and agencies together to ensure effective delivery of WRFU Rugby Development Strategy.
- To receive reports from the Sub-Committees on the implementation of the plan against budget.

SUB COMMITTEES

7-18 COMMITTEE

(Mini & Junior Committee, Clubs and Schools Union are Sub-Committees of the 7-18 Committee)

Chair: Chris Hart

- To co-ordinate programmes for development squads and age group squads
- Continuum implementation and co-ordination
- Organise County Schools Competitions in conjunction with County Schools Unions
- County festivals (Schools and Clubs)

- Active Sports
- County Club Competitions
- Player tracking
- Academy Liaison
- Liaise with Active Sports/Greater Warwickshire Sports
- Player recruitment and retention programmes
- Support and liaise with Warwickshire Referees Society
- Child Protection/Welfare officer
- Formalise links with Women's RFU and develop joint initiatives

18+ COMMITTEE

Chair: Andrew Scoular

- FE/HE co-ordination and identification
- Player tracking
- County Leagues and Cup competitions
- Player recruitment and retention programmes
- Support and liaise with Warwickshire Referees Society
- Formalise links with Women's RFU and develop joint initiatives

COACHING STRATEGY GROUP

Chair: Tony Timms

- Coach education programme
- Coach development and identification
- Coach mentor, assessor and tutor programmes
- Coach tracking
- Coach recommendations to Team Warwickshire for CB squads
- Coach recruitment and retention programmes

TEAM WARWICKSHIRE

Chair: Don Robbins

- Ratify Coaching and management appointments to CB Squads
- To monitor programmes for development squads and age grade teams
- Keep clubs and media fully informed of County Representative Squads activities, results etc (Team Warwickshire Newsletter/ website)
- Define at the start of each season kit requirements, coaching strategies, approval of selection policies and procedures and agree funding for coaching sessions etc.

COMMUNITY RUGBY TASK GROUP

Chair: Mike Hemming

- Implement effectively RFU Community Rugby initiatives (where appropriate)
- Recruitment & retention of volunteers
- To be an effective liaison mechanism for Community Rugby
- To develop our own initiatives that will reinforce the aims of the RFU Community Rugby department
- RU/RU

CLUB FACILITIES AND FUNDING DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Chair: Geoff Payne

- Club Facilities audit
- Rates/CASC Survey
- Facilities Plan
- Monitor and evaluate applications for funding
- Advice to clubs on facilities and funding etc.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP FIXTURES 2011/2012

County Championship Bill Beaumont Cup Division 2 (Pool 2 North)

Durham V Warwickshire
Eastern Counties V Bye
Saturday, 5th May 2012

Warwickshire V Eastern Counties
Bye V Durham
Saturday, 12th May 2012

Eastern Counties V Durham
Bye V Warwickshire
Saturday, 19th May 2012

Final

**Winners of Division 2 (Pool 2 South) v Winners of Division 2
(Pool 2 North)**

Saturday, 26th May 2012

Home venue of winners Division 2 (Pool 2 South)

UNDER 20's FIXTURES 2011/2012

MIDLAND GROUP A

| | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Warwickshire V Leicestershire | January 30th 2012 Broadstreet RFC |
| Warwickshire V East Midlands | February 13th 2012 Broadstreet RFC |
| Cambridge Uni V Warwickshire | February 27th 2012 TBA |
| Midlands Final | Date, time and venue to be confirmed |
| National Final | May 5th 2012 Twickenham |

UNDER 19's (Colts) FIXTURES 2011/2012

UNDER 18's FIXTURES

Website: - www.warwickshirerfuunder18s.com

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|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Staffordshire v Warwickshire | October 19th 2011 | |
| | Burntwood RFC | 7.30 p.m |
| Warwickshire v North Midlands | October 30th 2011 | |
| | Stratford RFC | 2.00 p.m. |
| Midland Super Sunday Finals | January 15th 2012 | |
| | Broadstreet RFC | |

UNDER 17's (CLUBS) DEVELOPMENT

Bob Coward Under 17's Leagues

Website: - www.warwickshirecoltsrfu.com

Secretary: Geoff Waterhouse

September 11th to November 27th 2011

Play offs: December 11th or 18th 2011 (TBC)

National U17's Competition

5 clubs to be nominated

Round 1 March 4th 2012

Round 2 March 18th 2012

Midlands Finals April 1st 2012 at Broadstreet RFC

National Semi Finals April 22nd 2012

National Finals May 6th 2012

U17's Inter District Competition

Warm-up matches – February 5th 2012

Semi-finals - February 12th 2012

Final & 3rd/4th place play-off - February 19th 2012

U17's Development County Fixtures

Warwickshire v Yorkshire January 29th 2012

Broadstreet RFC 1.00 p.m.

U19's Inter District Cup

Pool Matches - September 14th 2011

Pool Matches - September 21st 2011

Pool Matches - September 28th 2011

Final - October 10th 2011

The Bob Coward Cup (Formerly Coventry Standard Cup) Under 19's

Preliminary round: Sunday February 26th 2012

First round: Sunday March 11th 2012

Semi-final: Sunday April 1st 2012

Final – Monday, April 16th 2012 at Coventry Butts Park Arena (tbc)
7.30pm

Under 19's Merit Table

September 3rd 2011 –April 30th 2012

Website: - www.warwickshirecoltsrfu.com

Secretary: Bob Jones

National Colts Cup

Round 1 September 24th 2011

Round 2 October 15th 2011

Round 3 November 11th 2011

Plate Competition December 4th 2011 and January 14th 2012

Cup and Plate January 21st, February 4th and March 3rd 2012

Quarter Finals March 17th 2012

Semi Finals April 7th 2012

Finals May 7th 2012

Warwickshire Under 19's (Colts) Sevens

April 29th 2012 (Old Leamingtonians RFC TBC)

National Under 19's (Colts) Sevens

May 13th 2012 at Broadstreet RFC

AGM Warwickshire Under 19's (Colts) RFU

June 5th 2012 at Barkers' Butts RFC

WARWICKSHIRE SCHOOLS RFU

16 Group Fixtures 2011/2012

Warwickshire V Oxfordshire Wednesday October 19th 2011,
7.30 p.m.
Broadstreet RFC.

Super Sunday 1
Staffordshire V Warwickshire Sunday October 30th 2011,
3.00 p.m.
Peterborough RFC.

East Midlands V Warwickshire Thursday November 3rd 2011,
7.30 p.m.
Broadstreet RFC

Super Sunday 2
Warwickshire V TBA Sunday November 20th 2011,
Kick off to be confirmed
Broadstreet RFC.

Super Sunday 2 opponents are determined by results from
Super Sunday 1.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

| | | |
|---------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1895-96 | Yorkshire 16 | Surrey 5 |
| 1896-97 | Kent 12 | Cumberland 3 |
| 1897-98 | Northumberland 24 | Midlands 3 |
| 1898-99 | Devon 5 | Northumberland 0 |
| 1899-00 | Durham 11 | Devon 3 |
| 1900-01 | Devon 14 | Durham 3 |
| 1901-02 | Durham 9 | Gloucester 3 |
| 1902-03 | Durham 4 | Kent 3 |
| 1903-04 | Kent 8 | Durham 6 |
| 1904-05 | Durham 9 | Middlesex 8 |
| 1905-06 | Devon 16 | Durham 3 |
| 1906-07 | Joint Holders Devon & Durham | |
| 1907-08 | Cornwall 17 | Durham 3 |
| 1908-09 | Durham 12 | Cornwall 0 |
| 1909-10 | Gloucestershire 23 | Yorkshire 0 |
| 1910-11 | Devon 12 | Yorkshire 3 |
| 1911-12 | Devon 30 | Northumberland 0 |
| 1912-13 | Gloucestershire 14 | Cumberland 3 |
| 1913-14 | Mid-Counties 22 | Durham 5 |
| 1919-20 | Gloucestershire 27 | Yorkshire 3 |
| 1920-21 | Gloucestershire 31 | Leicestershire 4 |
| 1921-22 | Gloucestershire 21 | North Midlands 0 |
| 1922-23 | Somerset 8 | Leicestershire 6 |
| 1923-24 | Cumberland 14 | Kent 3 |
| 1924-25 | Leicestershire 14 | Gloucestershire 6 |
| 1925-26 | Yorkshire 15 | Hampshire 14 |
| 1926-27 | Kent 22 | Leicestershire 12 |
| 1927-28 | Yorkshire 12 | Cornwall 8 |
| 1928-29 | Middlesex 9 | Lancashire 8 |
| 1929-30 | Gloucestershire 13 | Lancashire 7 |
| 1930-31 | Gloucestershire 10 | Warwickshire 9 |
| 1931-32 | Gloucestershire 9 | Durham 3 |
| 1932-33 | Hampshire 18 | Lancashire 7 |
| 1933-34 | East Midlands 10 | Gloucestershire 0 |
| 1934-35 | Lancashire 14 | Somerset 0 |
| 1935-36 | Hampshire 13 | Northumberland 6 |
| 1936-37 | Gloucestershire 5 | East Midlands 0 |
| 1937-38 | Lancashire 24 | Surrey 12 |
| 1938-39 | Warwickshire 8 | Somerset 3 |
| 1946-47 | Lancashire 14 | Gloucestershire 3 |

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|---------|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1947-48 | Lancashire 5 | Eastern Counties 0 |
| 1948-49 | Lancashire 9 | Gloucestershire 3 |
| 1949-50 | Cheshire 5 | Eastern Counties 0 |
| 1950-51 | East Midlands 10 | Middlesex 0 |
| 1951-52 | Middlesex 9 | Lancashire 6 |
| 1952-53 | Yorkshire 11 | East Midlands 3 |
| 1953-54 | Middlesex 24 | Lancashire 6 |
| 1954-55 | Lancashire 14 | Middlesex 8 |
| 1955-56 | Middlesex 13 | Devon 9 |
| 1956-57 | Devon 12 | Yorkshire 3 |
| 1957-58 | Warwickshire 16 | Cornwall 8 |
| 1958-59 | Warwickshire 14 | Gloucestershire 9 |
| 1959-60 | Warwickshire 9 | Surrey 6 |
| 1960-61 | Cheshire 5 | Devon 3 |
| 1961-62 | Warwickshire 11 | Hampshire 6 |
| 1962-63 | Warwickshire 13 | Yorkshire 10 |
| 1963-64 | Warwickshire 8 | Lancashire 6 |
| 1964-65 | Warwickshire 15 | Durham 9 |
| 1965-66 | Middlesex 6 | Lancashire 0 |
| 1966-67 | Durham 0 | Surrey 0 |
| 1967-68 | Middlesex 9 | Warwickshire 6 |
| 1968-69 | Lancashire 11 | Cornwall 9 |
| 1969-70 | Staffordshire 11 | Gloucestershire 9 |
| 1970-71 | Surrey 11 | Gloucestershire 6 |
| 1971-72 | Gloucestershire 11 | Warwickshire 6 |
| 1972-73 | Lancashire 17 | Gloucestershire 12 |
| 1973-74 | Gloucestershire 22 | Lancashire 12 |
| 1974-75 | Gloucestershire 13 | Eastern Counties 9 |
| 1975-76 | Gloucestershire 24 | Middlesex 9 |
| 1976-77 | Lancashire 17 | Middlesex 6 |
| 1977-78 | North Midlands 10 | Gloucestershire 7 |
| 1978-79 | Middlesex 19 | Northumberland 6 |
| 1979-80 | Lancashire 21 | Gloucestershire 15 |
| 1980-81 | Northumberland 15 | Gloucestershire 6 |
| 1981-82 | Lancashire 7 | North Midlands 3 |
| 1982-83 | Gloucestershire 19 | Yorkshire 7 |
| 1983-84 | Gloucestershire 36 | Somerset 18 |
| 1984-85 | Middlesex 10 | Notts, Lincs & Derby 9 |
| 1985-86 | Warwickshire 16 | Kent 6 |
| 1986-87 | Yorkshire 22 | Middlesex 11 |
| 1987-88 | Lancashire 23 | Warwickshire 18 |
| 1988-89 | Durham 13 | Cornwall 9 |
| 1989-90 | Lancashire 32 | Middlesex 9 |

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|---------|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1990-91 | Cornwall 29 | Yorkshire 22 |
| 1991-92 | Lancashire 9 | Cornwall 6 |
| 1992-93 | Lancashire 9 | Yorkshire 6 |
| 1993-94 | Yorkshire 26 | Durham 3 |
| 1994-95 | Warwickshire 15 | Northumberland 9 |
| 1995-96 | Gloucestershire 17 | Warwickshire 13 |
| 1996-97 | Cumbria 21 | Somerset 13 |
| 1997-98 | Cheshire 21 | Cornwall 14 |
| 1998-99 | Cornwall 24 | Gloucestershire 15 |
| 1999-00 | Yorkshire 16 | Devon 9 |
| 2000-01 | Competition not played | |
| 2001-02 | Gloucestershire 26 | Cheshire 23 |
| 2002-03 | Lancashire 24 | Gloucestershire 18 |
| 2003-04 | Devon 43 | Gloucestershire 14 |
| 2004-05 | Devon 22 | Lancashire 16 |
| 2005-06 | Lancashire 32 | Devon 26 |
| 2006-07 | Devon 27 | Lancashire 6 |
| 2007-08 | Yorkshire 33 | Devon 13 |
| 2008-09 | Lancashire 32 | Gloucestershire 18 |
| 2009-10 | Lancashire 36 | Gloucestershire 6 |
| 2010-11 | Lancashire 32 | Hertfordshire 23 |

COUNTY SHIELD FINALS

| | | |
|---------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 2001-02 | Warwickshire 34 | Berkshire 12 |
| 2002-03 | Northumberland 27 | Oxfordshire 8 |
| 2003-04 | North Midlands 58 | Eastern Counties 5 |
| 2004-05 | Hertfordshire 20 | North Midlands 13 |
| 2005-06 | Cheshire 32 | Middlesex 17 |
| 2006-07 | Warwickshire 22 | Somerset 8 |
| 2007-08 | Northumberland 25 | Cornwall 11 |
| 2008-09 | Cheshire 30 | Hertfordshire 22 |
| 2009-10 | Kent 33 | Warwickshire 27 |
| 2010-11 | Dorset & Wilts 43 | Surrey 22 |

COUNTY PLATE FINALS

| | | |
|---------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 2004-05 | Surrey 29 | Somerset 18 |
| 2005-06 | Notts, Lincs & Derby 21 | Oxfordshire 17 |
| 2006-07 | Durham 30 | Eastern Counties 20 |
| 2007-08 | Hampshire 22 | Leicestershire 12 |
| 2008-09 | Durham 29 | Kent 14 |
| 2009-10 | Dorset & Wilts 36 | Leicestershire 26 |
| 2010-11 | Northumberland 31 | North Midlands 17 |

RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

PRINCIPAL FIXTURES (PROVISIONAL) SEASON 2011/2012

| Date | Fixture |
|-------------------------|--|
| 2011 | |
| Saturday 6th August | Investec International ENGLAND v WALES |
| Saturday 3rd September | London Double Header |
| Saturday 26th November | BARBARIANS v AUSTRALIA |
| Saturday 3rd December | Heroes Rugby Challenge supported by J.P. Morgan Northern Hemisphere v Southern Hemisphere |
| Thursday 8th December | Nomura Varsity Match Oxford University v Cambridge University Oxford Univ. U21s v Cambridge Univ. U21s |
| Tuesday 27th December | Aviva Premiership Rugby Big Game 4 |
| 2012 | |
| Saturday 25th February | RBS 6 Nations ENGLAND v WALES |
| Saturday 17th March | RBS 6 Nations ENGLAND v IRELAND |
| Wednesday 28th March | British Universities & Colleges Finals Women's Final Men's Final AASE Final |
| Wednesday 4th April | Daily Mail RBS Schools' Day U15 Vase Final U15 Cup Final U18 Vase Final U18 Cup Final |
| Saturday 21st April | St George's Day Game To Be Confirmed |
| Saturday 28th April | Army v Navy for the Babcock Trophy Combined Services U23 v Oxbridge U23 |
| Saturday 5th May | RFU Cup Finals & National U20 Championship Final RFU Junior Vase Final RFU Senior Vase Final RFU Intermediate Cup Final National U20 Championship Final |
| Sat 12th & Sun 13th May | Emirates Airlines London 7s |

Sat 29th or Sun 30th May **Heineken Cup Final**
Saturday 26th May **Aviva Premiership Rugby Final**
Sunday 27th May **ENGLAND v BARBARIANS**
Bill Beaumont Cup Final
County Championship Shield Final

WARWICKSHIRE RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

RULES

**Passed at the Annual General Meeting, May 30th 1949.
(Revised at Annual General Meeting 2008)**

1. The name of the Union shall be the “Warwickshire Rugby Football Union”. (“the Union”)
2. The aims of the Union shall be:
 - (i) The promotion, encouragement and extensions of Rugby Union Football and (without limiting the generality of this sub clause)
 - (ii) To arrange Trial, Developmental, Representative County and other Rugby Matches and Tours in the interest of Rugby Union Football in Warwickshire
 - (iii) To assist Members to play Rugby Union Football and in the provision of playing facilities, equipment and support
 - (iv) To develop and enhance the quality of Rugby Union Football at all age levels within Warwickshire.
3. (a) The Union’s income shall be obtained from: (i) the subscription of Members and other subscriptions, (ii) interest on Mortgages, loans and other investments and Securities, (iii) gate monies and Ticket receipts in respect of Trials, County and other Matches arranged by the Union in Warwickshire, (iv) from Touring side matches, (v) reimbursements from clubs whose members are called before the Committee in respect of disciplinary and special meetings, and (vi) from any other available or appropriate source.
 - (b) The whole of the available admission tickets for County Matches shall be sold, (without any provision for re-purchase by the Union), at prices fixed by the Committee. The Committee shall allocate such tickets on an equitable basis.

- (c) Any net profit, (after payment of all proper and relevant outgoings and expenses), derived from the Matches referred to in the immediately preceding sub-clause shall be used exclusively for the Union's Aims as defined by Rule 2.
- (d) Subject and without prejudice to the above the net income of the Union shall be used for any or more of the Union's Aims or in the furtherance of such charitable objectives, as the Committee shall from time to time determine.

4. In the event of it becoming necessary to discontinue the activities of the Union or to wind up its affairs (a Resolution to discontinue and wind up be effective if passed by a majority of not less than 90 per cent of the Members present and eligible to vote at an Annual General Meeting). Following such Resolution the whole of the net assets of the Union after discharging or making provision for its liabilities shall be distributed among Members at the date of such Resolution in such manner and subject to such Conditions as the Committee at the time of dissolution may in its sole discretion consider to be fair and reasonable.

5. The Members of the Union shall be:

(a) Voting Members

- (i) All Clubs (including the nominated representatives of schools) playing Rugby Union Football within the territory designated by the Rugby Football Union as Warwickshire.
- (ii) Representatives of bodies who are detailed in rule 8.
- (iii) Honorary Life Members elected at an A.G.M. after having been proposed by the Officers of the Union and approved by a General Meeting of the Committee held prior to that A.G.M. The criteria for being proposed as Honorary Life Member shall be:
- (iv) Past President of the Union who has completed two years service.

- (v) Member of the General Committee who has served on the Committee for twenty years and/or who has contributed significantly to the aims of the Union.

(b) Non –Voting Members

All other persons, clubs, associations and bodies accepted into membership of the Union by the Committee. Providing that in all cases the application for membership has been put to the Committee and the applicant has been elected to membership and the subscription is fully paid, by the due date.

All members of the Union are bound by the Rules and Regulations of the Rugby Football Union, the Laws of the Game and the International Rugby Board Regulations relating to the Game and that any breach thereof shall be a breach of the Rules of the Union and shall be dealt with under the powers contained in its rules or in accordance with powers delegated to it by the RFU.

- 6. The Annual Subscription(s) and conditions of payment (which may vary according to type or class of membership) shall be recommended and approved at the Annual General Meeting.
- 7. The Officers shall consist of a President, a Junior and Senior President Elect, an Hon. Treasurer, an Hon. Secretary, an Assistant Hon. Secretary, and the Club Warwickshire Chairman, who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee, and shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting. A President shall not be elected to that office on more than two occasions, each for a period of one year (an appointment to fill a temporary vacancy excluded). On retirement a past President may remain a member of the General Committee so long as he has attended two regularly convened meetings (Committee or General) during the previous twelve months and is a subscribing member or life member of a Club affiliated to the Union.

Any other Officer (a Junior or Senior President Elect, Hon Secretary, Assistant Hon Secretary, Hon Treasurer, Hon Match

Secretary) retiring from, or not re-elected to office, may, at the Annual General Meeting upon vacation of the office, be elected a member of the General Committee for a period of one year.

8. The committee shall consist of those qualified for membership in accordance with Rule 7, and other members to be elected as follows:

(i) Number of Representatives:

One representative from each of the Senior Clubs in the County. (A Senior Club is defined as level Four and above in the present RFU league structure).

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| Coventry & Mid Warwickshire | 1 |
| Nuneaton & North Warwickshire | 1 |
| Rugby & District Union | 1 |
| South Warwickshire | 1 |
| County Under 20's | 1 |
| County Under 19's (Colts) Union | 1 |
| Warwickshire Society of Referees | 1 |
| Schools (16 Group) | 1 |
| Schools (18 Group) | 1 |
| Mini & Junior Association | 1 |

The above representatives to be nominated by the appropriate Club or Sub-Committee and the names sent to the Hon. Secretary before the Annual General Meeting.

(ii) Number Of representatives:

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| Coventry Clubs | 2 |
| North Warwickshire Clubs | 1 |
| Rugby Clubs | 1 |
| South Warwickshire Clubs | 1 |

Nominations for the above representatives to be sent to the Hon. Secretary before the A.G.M. Elections for the above to take place at the Annual General Meeting and clubs may only vote for representatives from their own districts.

**(iii) Representative of this Union
to the Rugby Football Union: 1**

Nominations for the above representative to be sent to the Hon. Secretary in accordance with the Bye-Law of The Rugby Football Union currently in force (Currently nominations shall be submitted by clubs only to the Hon. Secretary of this Union in writing before 1st March in each year).

(iv) Other Representatives:

The committee shall at the first Committee meeting held after the Annual General Meeting appoint representatives to the County Committee to represent the following interests within the County: Playing Committee, Youth Committee, Marketing and Communications, Finance, Competitions, Disciplinary Committee, Leagues, Fixture Pool and up to two others if considered necessary by the Committee.

(v) The County RFU Development Officer(s) shall be an ex-officio member(s) of the Committee.

9. The Committee shall have power to conduct the business of the Union and to appoint and regulate its own meetings and proceedings to fill any vacancies that may occur among the Officers during their term of office. It may also elect Sub-Committees for any purpose with or without representation on the Committee, and may depute to them all the powers that the Committee itself has in respect thereto. The President for the time being shall be an ex-officio member of all sub committees.
10. The Annual General Meeting shall normally be held on the last Friday in June of each year. One representative from each Club affiliated to the Union whose membership is not in arrears shall be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and any Special General Meeting. Those qualified for membership of the committee in accordance with Rule 7 shall also be entitled to vote at all Special General Meetings.

11. Five weeks notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given to all clubs in the Union. Nominations for officers, except the elected representatives of this Union on the Council of the Rugby Football Union, and any proposed amendment of these rules shall be submitted in writing to the Hon. Secretary of the Union by any member of the Committee, or any club through its Secretary, before the last day of April. Such nominations and any proposed amendments to the rules shall be circulated to all affiliated Clubs not less than three weeks before the date of the Annual General Meeting.
12. At all Annual or Special General Meetings twenty voting members shall form a quorum. For all General Committee Meetings ten voting members will form a quorum. The Chairman (normally the President) shall have a casting vote in addition to his own vote as a member. In the absence of the President the most senior officer present shall chair the meeting. All motions, except for a change of rule, shall be decided by a bare majority of votes.
13. No Rule shall be altered, amended, rescinded or added to without the consent of two-thirds of those present at an Annual or Special General Meeting. Notice of which meeting must be given as in Rule 11.
14. The Hon. Secretary shall convene a Special General Meeting, at any time on receiving a written request to that effect, stating the object of such meeting, signed by duly authorised Officers of not less than eight clubs in membership of this Union.
15. Each Club affiliated to the Union shall be furnished with a copy of these Rules and of Laws of the Rugby Union, and be bound thereby. In a case of wilful infringement of such Rules or Laws by any Club, that Club shall be liable to expulsion from the Union at an Annual or Special General Meeting.
16. The Accounts of the Union shall be audited by a qualified Accountant to be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

Copies of the Balance Sheet and Accounts will be available at the Annual General Meeting and at a separate Financial General Meeting which may be called by the Officers of the County if deemed necessary or on request from the Hon Treasurer. Not less than three weeks notice of such a meeting shall be circulated to all affiliated clubs.

17. The Union shall, if requested, pay the necessary travelling and hotel expenses of two County representatives attending R.F.U. Annual or Special General Meetings. The necessary hotel and travelling expenses of nominated Officers and Committee attending meetings and matches on behalf of the Union. Players in Union matches may also be paid. A detailed statement of such expenses shall be sent to the Hon. Treasurer and, in the case of players, such statements must be sent within a week of the match concerned.
18. All monies belonging to the Union not for the time being required for current expenditure shall be invested, with three signatories, at the direction of the Finance Sub-Committee.
19. The County colours shall be a red and white quartered jersey with a red bear and ragged staff motif on a white background, navy blue shorts and red and white hooped socks. The County Cap is red velvet with silver braid and tassel. The Cap may be awarded to players who have represented the Union in five Senior County Championship matches. The County tie shall be red with a white bear and ragged staff motif and may be awarded to players who have represented the Union in one Senior County Championship match. The County tie, which may be worn by members of the General Committee and by past Presidents, shall be blue with a white bear and ragged staff motif. The County blazer badge may be awarded to players who have played for the Union in twelve Senior County Championship matches. A Committee member who has served two years is entitled to wear the county blazer badge.

20. That for the purpose of these Rules the word Club shall include all paid up member Clubs of the Union (District Unions etc.).
21. Any matter not covered by the above Rules may be dealt with in an emergency by the General Committee, or in an extreme emergency by the Officers of the Union.

RULES OF THE WARWICKSHIRE RFU COUNTY CUP COMPETITION

1. The Competition shall be known as the Warwickshire RFU County Cup Competition
2. The Competition shall be administered by the Warwickshire RFU Competitions Committee, which shall be appointed by the Warwickshire Rugby Football Union Committee
3. The Trophy shall be competed for annually on a knockout basis
4. Entry shall be open to the fourteen Clubs placed highest in the league structure at the end of the previous season. All Clubs at Level 5 and below will be eligible to enter the Cup Competition, plus the Shield Finalists of the preceding season. In the event of one of the 2 Shield Finalists being one of the top 14 clubs, the next highest Club(s) in the league position is to be taken.
5. Entry shall be made on the appropriate form, which shall be forwarded, together with the entry fee of £15.00 to the Competitions Secretary, to arrive prior to 31st July each year or the date stipulated on the form. The draws for all rounds shall be made by the Competitions Committee on the dates to be notified
6. All eligible teams shall be entered into all draws on an equal basis.
- 7 (a). The games will be played on the dates set by the Competitions Committee and are to be **played on a Sunday, unless by mutual agreement of both clubs and the Referee's Society, the game can be played on Saturday for ALL rounds prior to the Semi Finals. Please note: Clubs not engaged in the RFU Competitions on a particular Saturday including those who have byes will be required to play their Warwickshire Cup games on that weekend.**
Under NO circumstances will the Competitions Committee allow any game to be cancelled because of domestic reasons ie. Weddings, Stag Nights, Tours, Clubhouse Hired out, Mini and Junior Tournaments etc. NO EXCEPTIONS will be allowed.

The games will be played on the dates fixed by the Competitions Committee and these shall be:-

First Round – to be played on or before Monday 2nd January 2012

Quarter Final – to be played on or before Sunday 12th February 2012

Semi Final – to be played on Sunday 18th March 2012

Final – to be played on Sunday 29th April 2012

Subject to ground availability

In the event of any game not being played due to weather conditions or any other reason it should normally be played on the first available date, or on a date(s) set by the Competitions Committee. NO exceptions will be allowed. Any cancellation of a game must be done via the Competitions Committee Secretary or any member of the Competitions Committee. All new dates for cancelled matches must be agreed by mutual consent of both clubs and the Referees Society and sanctioned by the Competitions Committee Secretary who will liaise with the Referees Society. Any cancellation due to weather conditions should not be made final until 11.00am at the earliest on the day of the game.

If a team is unable to provide sufficient Front Row players the game **MUST** be played with uncontested scrums and the match will be awarded to the non-offending side. Please note: provided the match is played, the team unable to provide sufficient Front Row players will not be excluded from next season's Competitions.

- 7 (b) The Semi Finals and the Final are to be played on neutral grounds as arranged by the Competitions Committee. All other games shall be played on the ground of choice, within the jurisdiction of the Warwickshire RFU of the first named club, subject to Rule 20.
- 7 (c) All Sunday games shall kick off at 2.15pm apart from the Final, which will kick off at 3.00pm

8. (a) The Warwickshire Referees Society shall appoint suitable referees and touch judges for all games. Each team will be responsible for appointing a competent touch judge in all games where the Warwickshire Referees Society is unable to appoint.
8. (b) Where the Referees Society appoints suitable Referees/ Touch Judges, the home team **MUST** confirm the game with the Referee by 8.00pm on the Thursday night immediately prior to the game. Failure to confirm the match with the Referee could result in the home Team being eliminated from the National County Competitions next season.
9. All matches are to be played under 15 a side laws as laid down by the IRB. The rules relating to replacements, substitutes, abandoned or cancelled matches etc as applied to Intermediate Clubs Knockout Competition will apply – RFU Competitions Handbook – **All rounds up to the Semi Final, teams are allowed 4 replacements or substitutes (not rolling substitutions) and 7 replacements or substitutes for the Semi Final and Final.** The duration of play shall be two periods of forty minutes. In the event of a draw at normal time, two periods of ten minutes shall be played. Captains shall toss for choice of end and kick off. If after two periods of extra time the scores are still level, the team that has scored the most tries shall go forward, into the next round. If this does not produce a result, the team that has scored most goals from tries shall go forward into the next round. If a result is still not forthcoming in rounds preceding the final, the away side shall be awarded the game, while in a Final a replay shall be played as directed by the Competitions Committee.
- 10 (a) Players in the Competition shall be effectively registered playing members of the competing club, as per the RFU Championships and National Cup regulations. A player is permitted to play one game for one other club within the previous twenty-eight days of a Cup match without losing his eligibility to play for his own Club, except as provided for midweek clubs Rule 10(b). Periods of official suspension may not be included in the previous twenty-eight days. Any player joining a club

must play a minimum of four games at any level in the previous and or current season for the club prior to playing in a Cup game.

- 10 (b) A player who is a member of, or currently playing for more than one club, whether both clubs are participating in the Competition or not, shall only play for the club to which he gives precedence of Saturday selection. Except that those player members of bona-fide midweek clubs may opt to play for their midweek club only.
- 10 (c) A player in full time education may play for a club providing he is a regular playing member of the club during vacation etc
- 10 (d) A player may only play for any one club in the Competition in any one season
- 10 (e) Any player having played for another club during the current season in another County Cup Competition or the National Cup is ineligible to play
- 10 (f) An eligible player having played in the current Competition shall remain eligible for the competition subject to the limitations of Rule 10(a) and (e).
- 10 (g) The Competitions Committee will have the power to reinstate a club in the Competition when it has been eliminated by a club, which has been in breach of the regulations 10 – 10 (c). This power will cease to apply at 2.00pm three days prior to the next round of the Competition immediately following the round that the breach of regulations occurred.
11. (a) Any club wishing to withdraw from the Competition must give written notice to be received by the Competition Committee Secretary at least seven days prior to an arranged game involving the club. A fee of £50 plus the Referees Society expenses will be levied and the club will be excluded from all Cup/Shield Competitions for the following season for failure to do so
- 11 (b) Any club not entering the “Coors” Warwickshire Cup will not be eligible to enter any RFU Cup Competition the following season

- 11 (c) Any club agreeing to play in the Competition and subsequently withdraws or fails to honour the fixture without giving seven days notice in writing (as per Rule 11) will not be permitted to take part in any RFU Cup Competition during the following season
11. (d) When Cup matches are to be played on a date arranged by mutual agreement of Clubs, then confirmation of the fixture must be sent in writing by BOTH Clubs to the Competitions Secretary and the WSOR
11. (e) Clubs who through necessity, are required to play outside the dates as laid down by the Competitions Committee due to ie outstanding League games, National Cup games both of which have priority, must receive **written** permission from the Competitions Committee beforehand
12. The match expenses, referee's expenses, touch judge expenses etc for all games up to the Semi Final shall be the responsibility of the home team, who may make their own arrangements to charge a gate or take a collection. The visiting team shall be responsible for their own travelling expenses. Where a gate is charged the charge should not exceed that charged by the Competitions Committee for Semi Finals
13. At the Semi Finals and Final the WRFU shall charge a gate and meet all match expenses etc. The participating teams shall be responsible for their own travelling expenses. Any surplus funds shall be retained by the Warwickshire RFU County Honorary Treasurer for financing future Competitions.
14. Before each game the Captain of each team shall be responsible for seeing that a team list with replacements is furnished to the referee, who shall be responsible for entering the result, signing and returning it to the Captain for forwarding to the Competitions Committee Secretary to arrive by the following Thursday. Clubs failing to return lists on time will be charged £15.00. A club with any fine outstanding at the end of the season will be excluded from the Competition for the following season

- 14 (b) **All** clubs reaching the Semi Finals or Final of the Cup are responsible for providing a team list along with the appropriate replacements to the Honorary Secretary of the Competitions Committee no later than 72 hrs prior to the game (10.00pm Sunday/Wednesday night), so that a programme can be produced. Failure to comply will result in a £20 fine.
15. (a) The Competitions Committee may disqualify any club from current and/or subsequent Competitions for failing to honour any rule of the Competition. Any objection or claim that the rules of the competition have been broken must be received by the Competitions Committee Secretary, in writing, within seven days of the game in question.
- 15 (b) A club may appeal against any decision made by the Competitions Committee by notifying the Competitions Committee Secretary in writing within 24 hours of the decision of the Committee being announced. The club **MUST** set out full details as to why such an appeal is made and supply full documentary evidence upon which it wants to rely. In addition a fee of £100 is payable within 48 hours thereafter (such a payment being refunded if the appeal is upheld)

The Competitions Committee are empowered to hear any appeal made subject to the following:-

The Appeal Hearing is to be:-

1. Chaired by the President, Senior President Elect or Junior President Elect of the Warwickshire Rugby Union
2. An independent arbitrator (with legal experience if possible) is to be present
3. Two members of the club appealing will be invited to attend the Hearing to place before the hearing any facts **NOT** previously disclosed in their evidence

The Competitions Committee shall have regard for natural justice, Human Rights Act and the interest of all the parties concerned when hearing the appeal

The decision of the Competitions Appeals Committee will be **FINAL**.

16. (a) The jerseys of the competing clubs should be correctly numbered to ensure the correct identification of all players and replacements during a match. NO player will be allowed to swap a jersey with another player, also players wearing shirts with the same number as a player on the field or with no number will NOT be allowed to enter the field of play
16. (b) On any occasion when the colours of the two competing teams are similar, both teams shall be responsible for providing and wearing distinctive jerseys
- 16 (c) All teams reaching the final of the Competition will be required to bring an alternative set of jerseys with them
17. The winners of the Competition are responsible for the safe custody of the Cup and are responsible for the return of the Cup (in a clean condition) to the Competition Committee Secretary by the first day of February each year. The Competitions Committee Secretary (or any Committee member) shall arrange all engravings on the Cup and clubs are forbidden to carry out their own engraving.
18. The Competition Committee's decision on these Rules shall be final and binding on all competitors
- 19 (a) It is the responsibility of a home club to ensure the proper marking of the pitch and to take steps to exercise spectator control. This includes the erection of a barrier or ropes at least five yards from the touchline at all games and appoint necessary stewards
- 19 (b) All clubs participating in the Competition are responsible for arranging their own medical arrangements for all matches including the Semi Final and Final
- 19 (c) All home clubs MUST provide Technical Areas as per Midlands League Administrative Rule.
20. It is requested that licensed bars should be closed during a Cup game and it is the responsibility of the home club to ensure that alcohol and glasses etc are not brought to the touch line. Clubs unable to adhere to this rule may be required to play such games at another venue or at a different time on the instructions of the Competitions Committee.

21. It is the responsibility of all home clubs and host clubs to ensure that all persons under the age of 18 yrs (except 17 yr olds who are part of the senior team), are clear of the changing rooms at least 1 ½ hours before match kick off time
22. The presentation of the Cup is to be made by the President of Warwickshire Rugby Football Union or any WRFU Officer nominated by the President, with the mementoes being presented by the Sponsor's representatives

Kick off time: Semi Finals 2.15pm and Final 3.00pm

Gate Charges: Final £4.00 and Semi Finals £2.00

Prize money allocated for season 2011 – 2012

Cup winners £400.00 and Losing Finalists £200.00

RULES OF THE WARWICKSHIRE RFU SECOND XV CUP COMPETITION

1. The Competition shall be known as the Warwickshire RFU Second XV Competition
2. The Competition shall be administered by the Warwickshire RFU Competitions Committee, which shall be appointed by the Warwickshire Rugby Football Union Committee
3. The Trophy shall be competed for annually on a knockout basis
4. Entry shall be open for all Clubs currently affiliated to the Warwickshire RFU above Level 9 and Level 10
5. Entry shall be made on the appropriate form, which shall be forwarded, together with the entry fee of £15.00 to the Competitions Secretary, to arrive prior to 31st July each year or the date stipulated on the form. The draws for all rounds shall be made by the Competitions Committee on the dates to be notified
6. All eligible teams shall be entered into all draws on an equal basis. This Competition is to be seeded as per the County AGM on 2nd July 2010.
7. (a) The games will be played on the dates set by the Competitions Committee and are to be **played on a Sunday, unless by mutual agreement of both clubs and the Referee's Society, the game can be played on Saturday for ALL rounds prior to the Semi Finals. Please note: Clubs eliminated from the RFU Competitions will be required to play their First Round match on the first non League weekend (Sunday) after their elimination.**

The dates set are:-

Preliminary Round – to be played on or before Sunday 25th September 2011

First Round – to be played on or before Sunday 9th October 2011

Quarter Finals – to be played on or before Sunday 20th November 2011

Semi Finals – to be played on Sunday 29th January 2012

Final – to be played on Sunday 19th February 2012

In the event of any game not being played due to weather conditions or any other reason it should normally be played on the first available date, or on a date(s) set by the Competitions Committee. NO exceptions will be allowed. Any cancellation of a game must be done via the Competitions Committee Secretary or any member of the Competitions Committee. All new dates for cancelled matches must be agreed by mutual consent of both clubs and the Referees Society and sanctioned by the Competitions Committee Secretary who will liaise with the Referees Society. Any cancellation due to weather conditions should not be made final until 11.00am at the earliest on the day of the game. Under NO circumstances will the Competitions Committee allow any game to be cancelled because of domestic reasons ie. Weddings, Stag Nights, Tours, Clubhouse Hired out, Mini and Junior Tournaments etc. NO EXCEPTIONS will be allowed. ALL matches are to be played on the dates set.

If a team is unable to provide sufficient Front Row players the game **MUST** be played with uncontested scrums and the match will be awarded to the non-offending side. Please note: provided the match is played, the team unable to provide sufficient Front Row players will not be excluded from next season's Competitions.

7. (b) The Final is to be played on neutral ground as arranged by the Competitions Committee. All other games shall be played on the ground of choice, within the jurisdiction of the Warwickshire RFU of the first named club, subject to Rule 20.
7. (c) All Sunday games shall kick off at 2.15pm including the Final.
8. (a) The Warwickshire Referees Society shall appoint suitable referees and touch judges for all games. Each team shall be responsible for appointing a competent touch judge in all games where the Warwickshire Referees Society is unable to appoint.

8. (b) Where the Referees Society appoints suitable Referees/ Touch Judges, the home team MUST confirm the game with the Referee by 8.00pm on the Thursday night immediately prior to the game. Failure to confirm the match with the Referee could result in the home Team being eliminated from the National County Competitions next season.
9. All matches are to be played under 15 a side laws as laid down by the IRB. The rules relating to replacements, substitutes, abandoned or cancelled matches etc as applied to Intermediate Clubs Knockout Competition will apply – RFU Competitions Handbook – **All rounds up to the Semi Final, teams are allowed 4 replacements or substitutes (not rolling substitutions) and 7 replacements or substitutes for the Semi Final and Final.** The duration of play shall be two periods of forty minutes. In the event of a draw at normal time, two periods of ten minutes shall be played. Captains shall toss for choice of end and kick off. If after two periods of extra time the scores are still level, the team that has scored the most tries shall go forward, into the next round. If this does not produce a result, the team that has scored most goals from tries shall go forward into the next round. If a result is still not forthcoming in rounds preceding the final, the away side shall be awarded the game, while in a Final a replay shall be played as directed by the Competitions Committee.
10. (a) Players in the Competition shall be regular bona fide playing members of the competing club. A player is permitted to play one game for one other club within the previous twenty-eight days of a Cup match without losing his eligibility to play for his own club, except as provided for midweek clubs Rule 10(b). Periods of official suspension may not be included in the previous twenty-eight days. Any player who has played for his Club in the last League, Shield or Cup game (ie. RFU and WRFU Competitions) whichever is immediately previous to a 2nd Competition game is ineligible to play in that round of the Competition. **Please note that this does not include a non-playing replacement.**
10. (b) A player who is a member of, or currently playing for

more than one club, whether both clubs are participating in the Competition or not, shall only play for the club to which he gives precedence of Saturday selection. Except that those player members of bona-fide midweek clubs may opt to play for their midweek club only.

10. (c) A player in full time education may play for a club providing he is a regular playing member of the club during vacation etc
10. (d) A player may only play for any one club in the Competition in any one season
10. (e) Any player on joining a club playing in the Competition must have played a minimum of four games for the clubs 2nd XV or a lower team
10. (f) The Competitions Committee will have the power to reinstate a club in the Competition when it has been eliminated by a club, which has been in breach of the regulations 10 – 10 (c). This power will cease to apply at 2.00pm three days prior to the next round of the Competition immediately following the round that the breach of regulations occurred.
11. (a) Any club wishing to withdraw from the Competition must give written notice to be received by the Competition Committee Secretary at least seven days prior to an arranged game involving the club. A fee of £50 plus the Referees Society expenses will be levied and the club will be excluded from all Cup/Shield Competitions for the following season for failure to do so
11. (b) When Cup matches are to be played on a date arranged by mutual agreement of Clubs then confirmation of the fixture must be sent in writing by **BOTH** Clubs to the Competitions Secretary and the WSOR
11. (c) Clubs who through necessity, are required to play outside the dates as laid down by the Competitions Committee due to ie outstanding League games, National Cup games, both of which have priority, must receive **written** permission from the Competitions Committee beforehand
12. The match expenses, referee's expenses, touch judge expenses

etc for all games up to the Final shall be the responsibility of the home team, who may make their own arrangements to charge a gate or take a collection. The visiting team shall be responsible for their own travelling expenses.

13. At the Final the WRFU shall charge a gate and meet all match expenses etc. The participating teams shall be responsible for their own travelling expenses. Any surplus funds shall be retained by the Warwickshire RFU County Honorary Treasurer for financing future Competitions
14. (a) Before each game the Captain of each team shall be responsible for seeing that a team list with replacements is furnished to the referee, who shall be responsible for entering the result, signing and returning it to the Captain for forwarding to the Competitions Committee Secretary to arrive by the following Thursday. Clubs failing to return lists on time will be charged £15.00. A club with any fine outstanding at the end of the season will be excluded from the Competition for the following season
14. (b) **All** clubs reaching the Final of the 2nd XV Cup are responsible for providing a team list along with the appropriate replacements to the Competitions Committee Secretary no later than 72 hours prior to the game (10pm Wednesday night), so that a programme can be produced. Failure to comply will result in a £20 fine.
15. (a) The Competitions Committee may disqualify any club from current and/or subsequent Competitions for failing to honour any rule of the Competition. Any objection or claim that the rules of the competition have been broken must be received by the Competitions Committee Secretary, in writing, within seven days of the game in question.
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16. (b) On any occasion when the colours of the two competing teams are similar, both teams shall be responsible for providing and wearing distinctive jerseys
16. (c) All teams reaching the final of the Competition will be required to bring an alternative set of jerseys with them
17. The winners of the Competition are responsible for the safe custody of the Cup and are responsible for the return of the Cup (in a clean condition) to the Competition Committee Secretary by the first day of February each year. The Competitions Committee Secretary (or any Committee member) shall arrange all engravings on the Cup and clubs are forbidden to carry out their own engraving.

18. The Competition Committee's decision on these Rules shall be final and binding on all competitors
19. (a) It is the responsibility of a home club to ensure the proper marking of the pitch and to take steps to exercise spectator control. This includes the erection of a barrier or ropes at least five yards from the touchline at all games and appoint necessary stewards
19. (b) All clubs participating in the Competition are responsible for arranging their own medical arrangements for all matches including the Semi Final and Final
19. (c) All home clubs MUST provide Technical Areas as per Midlands League Administrative Rule.
20. It is requested that licensed bars should be closed during a Cup game and it is the responsibility of the home club to ensure that alcohol and glasses etc are not brought to the touch line. Clubs unable to adhere to this rule may be required to play such games at another venue or at a different time on the instructions of the Competitions Committee.
21. It is the responsibility of all home clubs and host clubs to ensure that all persons under the age of 18 yrs (except 17 yr olds who are part of the senior team), are clear of the changing rooms at least 1 ½ hours before match kick off time
22. The presentation of the Cup is to be made by the President of Warwickshire Rugby Football Union or any Officer nominated by the President, with the mementoes being presented by the Sponsor's representatives.

Kick off times: Semi Final and Final 2.15pm

Gate Charges: Final £3.00

Prize money allocated for season 2011 – 2012

Winners £100.00 - Losing Finalists £50.00

RULES OF THE WARWICKSHIRE RFU COUNTY SHIELD COMPETITION

1. The Competition shall be known as the Warwickshire RFU County Cup Competition
2. The Competition shall be administered by the Warwickshire RFU Competitions Committee, which shall be appointed by the Warwickshire Rugby Football Union Committee
3. The Trophy shall be competed for annually on a knockout basis
4. Entry to the Shield shall be open to all Clubs currently affiliated to the Warwickshire RFU except those at Level 4 and above and those eligible for the County Cup
5. Entry shall be made on the appropriate form, which shall be forwarded, together with the entry fee of £15.00 to the Competitions Secretary, to arrive prior to 31st July each year or the date stipulated on the form. The draws for all rounds shall be made by the Competitions Committee on the dates to be notified
6. All eligible teams shall be entered into all draws on an equal basis.
7. (a). The games will be played on the dates set by the Competitions Committee and are to be **played on a Sunday, unless by mutual agreement of both clubs and the Referee's Society, the game can be played on Saturday for ALL rounds prior to the Semi Finals. Please note: Clubs not engaged in the RFU Competitions on a particular Saturday including those who have byes will be required to play their Warwickshire Cup games on that weekend.**

Under NO circumstances will the Competitions Committee allow any game to be cancelled because of domestic reasons ie. Weddings, Stag Nights, Tours, Clubhouse Hired out, Mini and Junior Tournaments etc. NO EXCEPTIONS will be allowed.

The games will be played on the dates fixed by the Competitions Committee and these shall be:-

Preliminary Round – to be played on or before Sunday 4th September 2011

First Round – to be played on or before Monday 2nd January 2012

Quarter Final – to be played on or before Sunday 22nd January 2012

Semi Final – to be played on Sunday 26th February 2012

Final – to be played on Sunday 18th March 2012

Subject to ground availability.

In the event of any game not being played due to weather conditions or any other reason it should normally be played on the first available date, or on a date(s) set by the Competitions Committee. NO exceptions will be allowed. Any cancellation of a game must be done via the Competitions Committee Secretary or any member of the Competitions Committee. All new dates for cancelled matches must be agreed by mutual consent of both clubs and the Referees Society and sanctioned by the Competitions Committee Secretary who will liaise with the Referees Society. Any cancellation due to weather conditions should not be made final until 11.00am at the earliest on the day of the game.

If a team is unable to provide sufficient Front Row players the game **MUST** be played with uncontested scrums and the match will be awarded to the non-offending side. Please note: provided the match is played, the team unable to provide sufficient Front Row players will not be excluded from next season's Competitions.

7. (b) The Semi Finals and the Final are to be played on neutral grounds as arranged by the Competitions Committee. All other games shall be played on the ground of choice, within the jurisdiction of the Warwickshire RFU of the first named club, subject to Rule 20.

7. (c) All Sunday games shall kick off at 2.15pm apart from the Final, which will kick off at 3.00pm
8. (a) The Warwickshire Referees Society shall appoint suitable referees and touch judges for all games. Each team will be responsible for appointing a competent touch judge in all games where the Warwickshire Referees Society is unable to appoint.
8. (b) Where the Referees Society appoints suitable Referees/ Touch Judges, the home team **MUST** confirm the game with the Referee by 8.00pm on the Thursday night immediately prior to the game. Failure to confirm the match with the Referee could result in the home Team being eliminated from the National County Competitions next season.
9. All matches are to be played under 15 a side laws as laid down by the IRB. The rules relating to replacements, substitutes, abandoned or cancelled matches etc as applied to Intermediate Clubs Knockout Competition will apply – RFU Competitions Handbook – **All rounds up to the Semi Final, teams are allowed 4 replacements or substitutes (not rolling substitutions) and 7 replacements or substitutes for the Semi Final and Final.** The duration of play shall be two periods of forty minutes. In the event of a draw at normal time, two periods of ten minutes shall be played. Captains shall toss for choice of end and kick off. If after two periods of extra time the scores are still level, the team that has scored the most tries shall go forward, into the next round. If this does not produce a result, the team that has scored most goals from tries shall go forward into the next round. If a result is still not forthcoming in rounds preceding the final, the away side shall be awarded the game, while in a Final a replay shall be played as directed by the Competitions Committee.
10. (a) Players in the Competition shall be effectively registered playing members of the competing club, as per the RFU Championships and National Cup regulations. A player is permitted to play one game for one other club within the previous twenty-eight days of a Cup match without losing his eligibility to play for his own Club, except as provided for midweek clubs

Rule 10(b). Periods of official suspension may not be included in the previous twenty-eight days. Any player joining a club must play a minimum of four games at any level in the previous and or current season for the club prior to playing in a Cup game.

10. (b) A player who is a member of, or currently playing for more than one club, whether both clubs are participating in the Competition or not, shall only play for the club to which he gives precedence of Saturday selection. Except that those player members of bona-fide midweek clubs may opt to play for their midweek club only .
10. (c) A player in full time education may play for a club providing he is a regular playing member of the club during vacation etc
10. (d) A player may only play for any one club in the Competition in any one season
10. (e) Any player having played for another club during the current season in another County Cup Competition or the National Cup is ineligible to play.
10. (f) An eligible player having played in the current Competition shall remain eligible for the competition subject to the limitations of Rule 10(a) and (e).
10. (g) The Competitions Committee will have the power to reinstate a club in the Competition when it has been eliminated by a club, which has been in breach of the regulations 10 – 10 (c). This power will cease to apply at 2.00pm three days prior to the next round of the Competition immediately following the round that the breach of regulations occurred.
11. (a) Any club wishing to withdraw from the Competition must give written notice to be received by the Competition Committee Secretary at least seven days prior to an arranged game involving the club. A fee of £50 plus the Referees Society expenses will be levied and the club will be excluded from all Cup/Shield Competitions for the following season for failure to do so
11. (b) Any club not entering the “Coors” Warwickshire Shield will

not be eligible to enter any RFU Cup Competition the following season

11. (c) Any club agreeing to play in the Competition and subsequently withdraws or fails to honour the fixture without giving seven days notice in writing (as per Rule 11) will not be permitted to take part in any RFU Cup Competition during the following season
11. (d) When Cup matches are to be played on a date arranged by mutual agreement of Clubs, then confirmation of the fixture must be sent in writing by **BOTH** Clubs to the Competitions Secretary and the WSOR
11. (e) Clubs who through necessity are required to play outside the dates as laid down by the Competitions Committee due to ie outstanding League games, National Cup games, both of which have priority, must receive **written** permission from the Competitions Committee beforehand
12. The match expenses, referee's expenses, touch judge expenses etc for all games up to the Semi Final shall be the responsibility of the home team, who may make their own arrangements to charge a gate or take a collection. The visiting team shall be responsible for their own travelling expenses. Where a gate is charged the charge should not exceed that charged by the Competitions Committee for Semi Finals
13. At the Semi Finals and Final the WRFU shall charge a gate and meet all match expenses etc. The participating teams shall be responsible for their own travelling expenses. Any surplus funds shall be retained by the Warwickshire RFU County Honorary Treasurer for financing future Competitions.
14. (a) Before each game the Captain of each team shall be responsible for seeing that a team list with replacements is furnished to the referee, who shall be responsible for entering the result, signing and returning it to the Captain for forwarding to the Competitions Committee Secretary to arrive by the following Thursday. Clubs failing to return lists on time will be charged £15.00. A club with any fine outstanding at the end of the season will be excluded from the Competition for the following season

14. (b) **All** clubs reaching the Semi Finals or Final of the Shield are responsible for providing a team list along with the appropriate replacements to the Honorary Secretary of the Competitions Committee no later than 72 hrs prior to the game (10.00pm Wednesday night), so that a programme can be produced. Failure to comply will result in a £20 fine.
15. (a) The Competitions Committee may disqualify any club from current and/or subsequent Competitions for failing to honour any rule of the Competition. Any objection or claim that the rules of the competition have been broken must be received by the Competitions Committee Secretary, in writing, within seven days of the game in question.
15. (b) A club may appeal against any decision made by the Competitions Committee by notifying the Competitions Committee Secretary in writing within 24 hours of the decision of the Committee being announced. The club **MUST** set out full details as to why such an appeal is made and supply full documentary evidence upon which it wants to rely. In addition a fee of £100 is payable within 48 hours thereafter (such a payment being refunded if the appeal is upheld)

The Competitions Committee are empowered to hear any appeal made subject to the following:-

The Appeal Hearing is to be:-

1. Chaired by the President, Senior President Elect or Junior President Elect of the Warwickshire Rugby Union
2. An independent arbitrator (with legal experience if possible) is to be present
3. Two members of the club appealing will be invited to attend the Hearing to place before the hearing any facts **NOT** previously disclosed in their evidence

The Competitions Committee shall have regard for natural justice, Human Rights Act and the interest of all the parties concerned when hearing the appeal

The decision of the Competitions Appeals Committee will be **FINAL**.

16. (a) The jerseys of the competing clubs should be correctly numbered to ensure the correct identification of all players and replacements during a match. NO player will be allowed to swap a jersey with another player, also players wearing shirts with the same number as a player on the field or with no number will NOT be allowed to enter the field of play
16. (b) On any occasion when the colours of the two competing teams are similar, both teams shall be responsible for providing and wearing distinctive jerseys
16. (c) All teams reaching the final of the Competition will be required to bring an alternative set of jerseys with them
17. The winners of the Competition are responsible for the safe custody of the Shield and are responsible for the return of the Shield (in a clean condition) to the Competition Committee Secretary by the first day of February each year. The Competitions Committee Secretary (or any Committee member) shall arrange all engravings on the Shield and clubs are forbidden to carry out their own engraving.
18. The Competition Committee's decision on these Rules shall be final and binding on all competitors
19. (a) It is the responsibility of a home club to ensure the proper marking of the pitch and to take steps to exercise spectator control. This includes the erection of a barrier or ropes at least five yards from the touchline at all games and appoint necessary stewards
19. (b) All clubs participating in the Competition are responsible for arranging their own medical arrangements for all matches including the Semi Final and Final
19. (c) All home clubs MUST provide Technical Areas as per Midlands League Administrative Rule.
20. It is requested that licensed bars should be closed during a Shield game and it is the responsibility of the home club to ensure that alcohol and glasses etc are not brought to the touchline. Clubs unable to adhere to this rule may be required to play such games at another venue or at a different time on the instructions of the Competitions Committee.

21. It is the responsibility of all home clubs and host clubs to ensure that all persons under the age of 18 yrs (except 17 yr olds who are part of the senior team), are clear of the changing rooms at least 1 ½ hours before match kick off time
22. The presentation of the Shield is to be made by the President of Warwickshire Rugby Football Union or any WRFU Officer nominated by the President, with the mementoes being presented by the Sponsor's representatives

Kick off times – Semi Finals 2.15pm and Final 3.00pm

Gate Charges – Semi Finals £2.00 and Final £3.00

Prize money allocated for season 2011 – 2012

Shield Winners £150.00 and Losing Finalists £75.00

RULES OF THE WARWICKSHIRE RFU SECOND XV SHIELD COMPETITION

1. The Competition shall be known as the Warwickshire RFU Second XV Competition
2. The Competition shall be administered by the Warwickshire RFU Competitions Committee, which shall be appointed by the Warwickshire Rugby Football Union Committee
3. The Trophy shall be competed for annually on a knockout basis
4. Entry shall be open for all Clubs currently playing in Warwickshire RFU at Level 9 and Level 10 and those Clubs not in the League structure. However, 1st XV non league Clubs will not be allowed to enter the 2nd XV Shield Competition
5. Entry shall be made on the appropriate form, which shall be forwarded, together with the entry fee of £15.00 to the Competitions Secretary, to arrive prior to 31st July each year or the date stipulated on the form. The draws for all rounds shall be made by the Competitions Committee on the dates to be notified
6. All eligible teams shall be entered into all draws on an equal basis. This Competition is to be seeded as per the County AGM on 2nd July 2010.
7. (a) The games will be played on the dates set by the Competitions Committee and are to be **played on a Sunday, unless by mutual agreement of both clubs and the Referee's Society, the game can be played on Saturday for ALL rounds prior to the Semi Finals. Please note: Clubs eliminated from the RFU Competitions will be required to play their First Round match on the first non League weekend (Sunday) after their elimination**

The dates set are:-

Preliminary Round – to be played on or before Sunday 23rd October 2011

Quarter Finals – to be played on or before Sunday 20th November 2011

Semi Finals – to be played on Sunday 29th January 2012

Final – to be played on Sunday 4th March 2012

In the event of any game not being played due to weather conditions or any other reason it should normally be played on the first available date, or on a date(s) set by the Competitions Committee. NO exceptions will be allowed. Any cancellation of a game must be done via the Competitions Committee Secretary or any member of the Competitions Committee. All new dates for cancelled matches must be agreed by mutual consent of both clubs and the Referees Society and sanctioned by the Competitions Committee Secretary who will liaise with the Referees Society. Any cancellation due to weather conditions should not be made final until 11.00am at the earliest on the day of the game. Under NO circumstances will the Competitions Committee allow any game to be cancelled because of domestic reasons ie. Weddings, Stag Nights, Tours, Clubhouse Hired out, Mini and Junior Tournaments etc. NO EXCEPTIONS will be allowed. ALL matches are to be played on the dates set.

If a team is unable to provide sufficient Front Row players the game **MUST** be played with uncontested scrums and the match will be awarded to the non-offending side. Please note: provided the match is played, the team unable to provide sufficient Front Row players will not be excluded from next season's Competitions.

7. (b) The Final is to be played on neutral ground as arranged by the Competitions Committee. All other games shall be played on the ground of choice, within the jurisdiction of the Warwickshire RFU of the first named club, subject to Rule 20.
7. (c) All Sunday games shall kick off at 2.15pm including the Final.
8. (a) The Warwickshire Referees Society shall appoint suitable referees and touch judges for all games. Each team shall be responsible for appointing a competent touch judge in all games where the Warwickshire Referees Society is unable to appoint.
8. (b) Where the Referees Society appoints suitable Referees/ Touch Judges, the home team MUST confirm the game with the

Referee by 8.00pm on the Thursday night immediately prior to the game. Failure to confirm the match with the Referee could result in the home Team being eliminated from the National County Competitions next season.

9. All matches are to be played under 15 a side laws as laid down by the IRB. The rules relating to replacements, substitutes, abandoned or cancelled matches etc as applied to Intermediate Clubs Knockout Competition will apply – RFU Competitions Handbook – **All rounds up to the Semi Final, teams are allowed 4 replacements or substitutes (not rolling substitutions) and 7 replacements or substitutes for the Semi Final and Final.** The duration of play shall be two periods of forty minutes. In the event of a draw at normal time, two periods of ten minutes shall be played. Captains shall toss for choice of end and kick off. If after two periods of extra time the scores are still level, the team that has scored the most tries shall go forward, into the next round. If this does not produce a result, the team that has scored most goals from tries shall go forward into the next round. If a result is still not forthcoming in rounds preceding the final, the away side shall be awarded the game, while in a Final a replay shall be played as directed by the Competitions Committee.
10. (a) Players in the Competition shall be regular bona fide playing members of the competing club. A player is permitted to play one game for one other club within the previous twenty-eight days of a Cup match without losing his eligibility to play for his own club, except as provided for midweek clubs Rule 10(b). Periods of official suspension may not be included in the previous twenty-eight days. Any player who has played for his Club in the last League, Shield or Cup game (ie. RFU and WRFU Competitions) whichever is immediately previous to a 2nd Competition game is ineligible to play in that round of the Competition. **Please note that this does not include a non-playing replacement.**
10. (b) A player who is a member of, or currently playing for more than one club, whether both clubs are participating in the Competition or not, shall only play for the club to which he gives precedence of Saturday selection. Except that those player members of bona-fide midweek clubs may opt to play for their

midweek club only.

10. (c) A player in full time education may play for a club providing he is a regular playing member of the club during vacation etc
10. (d) A player may only play for any one club in the Competition in any one season
10. (e) Any player on joining a club playing in the Competition must have played a minimum of four games for the clubs 2nd XV or a lower team
10. (f) The Competitions Committee will have the power to reinstate a club in the Competition when it has been eliminated by a club, which has been in breach of the regulations 10 – 10 (c). This power will cease to apply at 2.00pm three days prior to the next round of the Competition immediately following the round that the breach of regulations occurred.
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12. The match expenses, referee's expenses, touch judge expenses etc for all games up to the Final shall be the responsibility of the home team, who may make their own arrangements to charge a gate or take a collection. The visiting team shall be responsible for their own travelling expenses.
13. At the Final the WRFU shall charge a gate and meet all match expenses etc. The participating teams shall be responsible

for their own travelling expenses. Any surplus funds shall be retained by the Warwickshire RFU County Honorary Treasurer for financing future Competitions

14. (a) Before each game the Captain of each team shall be responsible for seeing that a team list with replacements is furnished to the referee, who shall be responsible for entering the result, signing and returning it to the Captain for forwarding to the Competitions Committee Secretary to arrive by the following Thursday. Clubs failing to return lists on time will be charged £15.00. A club with any fine outstanding at the end of the season will be excluded from the Competition for the following season
14. (b) **All** clubs reaching the Final of the 2XV Cup are responsible for providing a team list along with the appropriate replacements to the Competitions Committee Secretary no later than 72 hours prior to the game (10pm Wednesday night), so that a programme can be produced. Failure to comply will result in a £20 fine.
15. (a) The Competitions Committee may disqualify any club from current and/or subsequent Competitions for failing to honour any rule of the Competition. Any objection or claim that the rules of the competition have been broken must be received by the Competitions Committee Secretary, in writing, within seven days of the game in question.
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16. (b) On any occasion when the colours of the two competing teams are similar, both teams shall be responsible for providing and wearing distinctive jerseys
16. (c) All teams reaching the final of the Competition will be required to bring an alternative set of jerseys with them
17. The winners of the Competition are responsible for the safe custody of the Cup and are responsible for the return of the Cup (in a clean condition) to the Competition Committee Secretary by the first day of February each year. The Competitions Committee Secretary (or any Committee member) shall arrange all engravings on the Cup and clubs are forbidden to carry out their own engraving.
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19. (b) All clubs participating in the Competition are responsible

for arranging their own medical arrangements for all matches including the Semi Final and Final

19. (c) All home clubs MUST provide Technical Areas as per Midlands League Administrative Rule.
20. It is requested that licensed bars should be closed during a Cup game and it is the responsibility of the home club to ensure that alcohol and glasses etc are not brought to the touch line. Clubs unable to adhere to this rule may be required to play such games at another venue or at a different time on the instructions of the Competitions Committee.
21. It is the responsibility of all home clubs and host clubs to ensure that all persons under the age of 18 yrs (except 17 yr olds who are part of the senior team), are clear of the changing rooms at least 1 ½ hours before match kick off time
22. The presentation of the Cup is to be made by the President of Warwickshire Rugby Football Union or any Officer nominated by the President, with the mementoes being presented by the Sponsor's representatives

Kick off times: Semi Final and Final 2.15pm

Gate Charges: Final £3.00

Prize money allocated for season 2011 – 2012

Winners £75.00 - Losing Finalists £40.00

WARWICKSHIRE CLUBS LEAGUE RULES

2011-2012

1. APPLICATION TO JOIN:

- 1.1 Participating Clubs must be members of WRFU or by invitation
- 1.2 For Clubs that wish to enter a team into the League structure, all entries must have been received by the date specified by the WRFU
- 1.3 Any Club wishing to withdraw a team for the following season must do so by 30th April

2. POINTS AWARDED:

- 2.1 4 points for a win
- 2.2 2 points for a draw
- 2.3 1 point for a defeat

3. PLAYERS:

- 3.1 Players do not have to be RFU League registered
- 3.2 Players can play for more than one Club in a season
- 3.3 All games in all Divisions will start with a minimum of 10 players per side.

There will be no more than ONE man advantage to any team at the start of the game. The Captains must agree the exchange of players before the game begins. Should there be a failure to agree then the team responsible for such failure to agree shall forfeit the game. The points awarded on such a failure shall be 4 points for the innocent team and 0 points for the team responsible for the failure

- 3.4 A team supplying less than 10 players can only receive 2 points for a victory
- 3.5 All teams to stay within the spirit of the game ie keeping the teams at their respective levels (not bringing in players from higher teams, replacements included). 2 points will be deducted from the offending team

4. UNCONTESTED SCRUMS:

- 4.1 Before a game commences if there is a shortage of front row players, the game starts with uncontested scrums. Should a team unable to field a front row win, they will receive 2 POINTS MAXIMUM. Should the team with a full front row win they will be awarded FULL POINTS. The losing team in both cases will receive 1 point
- 4.2 If a game goes into uncontested scrums after the start normal rules apply

5. REPLACEMENTS:

- 5.1 It is not compulsory to have front row replacements
- 5.2 An open number of replacements can be agreed by both Captains and Referee before the commencement of the game. If agreement cannot be reached a maximum of 5 NOMINATED replacements will apply

6. FIXTURES:

- 6.1 All Leagues will be made up of no more than 12 teams, unless it is not logistical to do otherwise
- 6.2 Fixture Secretaries will be notified of the League structure for the following season prior to the end of May
- 6.3 ALL matches must be played on designated RFU Saturdays
- 6.4 Any Knock-out Cup match will take precedence over a League fixture

7. KICK OFF TIMES:

- 7.1 September, October, March and April kick off time will be 3.00pm. November, December, January and February kick off time will be 2.15pm unless agreed by both Captains, but no later than 2.30pm
- 7.2 All matches should be played for a duration of 40 minutes each way

8. PROMOTION AND RELEGATION:

- 8.1 As agreed by Clubs at a meeting to be held at the end of each season

8.2 No club will be allowed to have 2 teams in the same League

9. GAME NOT PLAYED:

9.1 Any side unable to fulfil a fixture for any reason other than the weather forfeits the game, except under exceptional circumstances and agreed by the Committee

9.2 A team that concedes 4 games in the course of a season will be expelled immediately and their records expunged

9.3 If any team is expelled from the League, then any lower teams from the same Club may be expelled

10. JERSEYS:

10.1 The “home” team will change strip in the event of a colour clash

11. RESULTS:

11.1 Telephone result in before 7.00pm on the day of the match

11.2 Email the result before 7.00pm on the Sunday

12. TROPHIES:

12.1 To be returned by holders by 1st April

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Caludon Castle Comp. School, Wyken, Coventry.
Cardinal Newman Comp. School, Keresley, Coventry.
Cardinal Wiseman Comp. School, Potters Green, Coventry
Coundon Court Comp. School, Coundon, Coventry.
Finham Park Comp. School, Finham, Coventry.
King Henry VIII School, Earlsdon, Coventry.
President Kennedy Comp. School, Holbrooks, Coventry.
Sidney Stringer Comp. School, Hillfields, Coventry.
Stoke Park Comp. School, Coventry.
Ullathorne Comp. School, Stivichall, Coventry.
Westwood School, Westwood Heath, Coventry.
Whitley Abbey Comp. School, Whitley, Coventry.
The Woodlands Comp. School, Tile Hill, Coventry.
Woodway Park Comp. School, Potters Green, Coventry.

South Warwickshire: (District Union)

Alcester Grammar School, Alcester.
Alcester High School, Alcester.
Aylesford High School, Warwick.

Campion High School, Leamington Spa.
Kenilworth School, Kenilworth.
Kineton High School, Kineton.
King Edward VI School, Stratford-upon-Avon.
Myton High School, Warwick.
North Leamington Federation of Schools, Leamington Spa.
Southam High School, Southam.
Stratford High School, Stratford-upon-Avon.
Studley High School, Studley.
Warwick School, Warwick.

Solihull: (District Union)

Alderbrook School, Solihull.
Archbishop Grimshaw, Chelmsley Wood, Solihull.
Arden School, Knowle.
Bishop Vesey School, Sutton Coldfield.
Coleshill Grammar School, Coleshill.
C. T. C., Kingshurst.
Heart of England School, Balsall Common.
Langley School, Solihull.
Light Hall School, Solihull.
Lode Heath School, Solihull.
Lyndon School, Solihull.
Park Hall, Solihull.
Solihull School, Solihull.
St. Peter's R.C. School, Solihull.
Tudor Grange School, Solihull.
Whitesmore School, Solihull.

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Rugby School, Rugby.

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Bilton Grange P.S., Rugby.
Coventry P.S., Coventry.

Croft School, Stratford-upon-Avon.
Dunchurch Junior, Rugby.
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1. MISSION STATEMENT

Warwickshire Society of Referees (1895)



The Executive Committee of this Society will:

1. Provide the means and resources for every referee to attain their full potential in the game through an ongoing programme of Training and Development.
2. Aim to produce from within Warwickshire Society of Referees an official who is capable of officiating at International level.
3. Provide sufficient trained referees, assessors, referee coaches and touch judges able and competent to satisfy the need of all levels of the game of rugby.

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2011 - 2012

MEMBERS' MONTHLY MEETINGS (Monday) EARLSDON RFC 7.30pm

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| 22 August | 26 September | 17 October |
| 28 November | December TBA | 23 January |
| 27 February | 26 March | 23 April |

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS (Monday) BROADSTREET 7.30pm

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|-------------|--------------|------------|
| 15 August | 19 September | 10 October |
| 21 November | 12 December | 16 January |
| 20 February | 19 March | 16 April |

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (Monday) EARLSDON RFC 7.30pm

11 June 2012

Nominations for elected positions
to be received by 4 June 2012

**ANNUAL DINNER 2011
Friday 4th October 2011
Old Coventrians RFC
7.30pm
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KEY POSITIONS

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| Richard Wormell | RFRU Representative |
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MIDLANDS DIVISION ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS / RULES

(Extract relevant to referees – full version available on
www.warwickref.com)

Although the RFU Regulations and Midlands Division Administrative Instructions/Rules appear each year in the RFU Handbook, it is recommended that the RFU Regulations as they appear on the RFU Website are read and noted, in order to obtain the most up to date and correctly worded version of the Regulations and Rules.

2. Match Result Cards

2.1 The Match Result Cards are the responsibility of both clubs. The cards must be completed fully and legibly in capital letters and record the names of the squad showing surname first, followed by the first name. The names should be recorded as they appear on the official RFU Senior Player Registration Computer Listing. The cards from both the Home and Away clubs, already countersigned by the opposition official, must be passed to the Referee before the match.

2.2 A club not passing the match result card to a referee before the match may have 5 championship points deducted.

2.6 A club shall be deducted at least 20 championship points on each occasion that false information has been provided on the match result card. This will be in addition to any points which may have been deducted if the players in the squad were ineligible to play.

2.7 In the event of a game being deemed to be abandoned under Regulation 13.6.7 (a) or (b) it is the responsibility of the clubs to state on the match cards the exact time of abandonment, the match score at the time and the reason for the abandonment. This is particularly important for games abandoned because of uncontested scrums. These cards must be signed by the referee. The clubs must also telephone the League Secretary on the day of the match, to inform him of the circumstances causing such abandonment.

7. Ground and Match Management

7.1 It is the responsibility of the home club at all levels to ensure that spectators do not encroach on the playing enclosure. Suitable barriers should be erected to ensure compliance with this Rule. At Levels 5, 6 and 7 technical areas in accordance with Regulation 13.7.3 (b) must be provided. Regulations 13.7.6 to 13.7.8 must be adhered to. However, where a club Committee at Level 8 or below is satisfied that it is impractical or unnecessary for barriers to be erected this requirement may be waived. (This applies particularly to clubs playing on school or local authority pitches) If the Home club's Referees Society insists on the use of barriers then the Home club must comply.

7.2 In the interest of safety, Regulation 13.7.9 regarding the use of floodlights will apply. However, by mutual agreement of the clubs involved, lights may be turned on at half time or in a long injury break, if this will save the game from being abandoned for bad light.

8. RFU KO Cup Competitions

8.1 The RFU National Cup Regulations apply in general to the administration of these competitions by the MLOC. The MLOC however has stipulated that the number of replacements allowed in the Cup games whilst it administers the competitions will be three, as in league matches at the same level. (Clubs at Level 9 and below will not be allowed their "rolling five replacements" in the Junior Vase) In the Midlands Finals, seven replacements will be allowed.

8.2 The MLOC will administer the RFU KO Cup Competitions at Level 7 – Intermediate Cup, Level 8 – Senior Vase and Levels 9 & below – Junior Vase, up to and including the Quarter Finals stages (Midlands Finals). The RFU will administer the Competitions from the Semi Finals through to the Finals of the National Competition.

8.3 The National Cup Competition games will take precedence over rearranged RFU League games and all Constituent Body Competition games.

8.5 Kick off times, for these National Cup Competition games, in September, October, March and April will be 3:00 pm. The kick off

times in November, December, January and February will be 2:00 pm., however clubs with suitable floodlights may kick off at 3:00 pm by mutual agreement. These earlier kick off times are necessary in the event that extra time needs to be played, when the result after 80 minutes is a drawn game.

9. Kick-off Times for League Matches

9.1 Normal kick-off times for RFU League matches will be 2:15 pm. in November, December, January and February and 3:00 pm. at all other times. Variation of kick-off times may be mutually agreed, but the League Secretary, Russell's News & Sports Agency and the match referee must be informed.

13. New for Season 2011-2012.

“Rolling Replacements” at Levels 9 and below in league games.

13.1 At Level 9 and below, up to a maximum of 5 players may be named as replacements and players will be allowed to “roll on and roll off” on an unlimited basis, to hopefully maintain 15 players a side on the field of play at all times, other than when the game has moved to uncontested scrums when the side causing the uncontested scrums plays with 1 player fewer.

13.2 There is no compulsion to have 5 replacements and sides do not have to have equal numbers of replacements.

13.3 Replacements will be made, with the referees permission, at stoppages of play other than at penalty and free kick situations, to make sure that a replacement doesn't come on to the field of play simply to take a kick at goal and then be replaced again.

13.4 The requirement to have one replacement front row player within the squad is still necessary, so that at the first time of asking a side can replace a front row player in order that the game carries on with contested scrums.

13.5 This rule is not intended to encourage clubs to pick the maximum number of replacements for league games to the detriment of turning out a second or third XV.



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See Clause 6 (i) Society Constitution for qualifying conditions

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Vice Presidents

See Clause 6 (ii) Society Constitution for qualifying conditions

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Hertfordshire

East Midlands
Warwickshire

Central Federation Management Board

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MATCH OFFICIALS APPOINTMENTS

appoint@warwickref.com

All Appointments for Clubs and Referees are accessible by visiting www.whostheref.com

You will need a login to access the site, please contact Malcolm Murphy (Hon Sec WSOR) on warwickrefsec@btinternet.com for further information.

The point of contact for Clubs & Match Officials to enquire about appointments is via the appointments email address

appoint@warwickref.com

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MATCH OFFICIALS

1. You **MUST** update your availability on www.whostheref.com.
2. If you are shown as available there is a possibility you will be appointed.
3. If you are available and have not been appointed you are on Reserve and may be appointed in the event of a match official's cry-off.
4. Check your emails regularly during the season; you will be sent an email about your appointment and you must **ACCEPT** or **DECLINE** the appointment upon receipt.
5. Failure to abide by point 4 above will result in your removal from the appointment and it being offered to another official.

SENDING OFF PROCEDURE

At the time of the Incident.

Make a note of the player's full name and the position he/she is playing – ask him & write it on your score-sheet. Confirm it with his captain.

Note the time during the game + the score

What was the dismissal for? – Make a note! + What led up to it- ruck/maul/scrum etc.

Note your position in relation to the incident: i.e. 3 metres away, unobstructed view.

Show the player the red card!!!

Did the player offer an apology to you after the game, if so make a note and mention it in your report.

After the Match.

Do not discuss the dismissal in the bar with anyone. Go back home, collect your thoughts and inform the Discipline Secretary (John Davies) within 24 hours.

Complete the front of the form - answer the questions.

On the rear – fill in the match conditions. Now – the blank bit!

Where on the pitch did it happen? Who was the attacking team?

What actually happened? Was your view clear or obstructed, were any injuries caused to any player? Did he receive

treatment on/off the pitch? Did you show the player a red card?

Any other relevant information – did the player apologise to you after the game in the clubhouse? Remember to be clear and

decisive – believe in what you saw - that's why you sent the

player off! Do not make your views on the incident known, you are there to simply enforce the laws not pass comment on their effect.

Submission of Reports

Who Needs to Know?

Inform the Discipline Secretary (John Davies) Tel 01926

812013, 07976 946729 or email johndavies1952@hotmail.co.uk

no later than 24 hours after the match. The Discipline Secretary will need to know the Player's correct name, position, Club and

the reason for the sending off i.e. Punch, Stamp etc.

**You must only notify the Society Discipline Secretary.
You must submit a Discipline Report for any player you dismiss from the field of play. This includes Age Grade Rugby games (U18)**

Reports via the Postal System

This procedure is only applicable to members without internet access.

The report must be sent immediately to John Davies, Darlingscott, The Green, Long Itchington, CV47 9PH as soon as possible after the match and no later than 48 hours.

Match Official Abuse Reports to be sent within 7 days following the match. Please sign and date your reports.

Reports via whostheref.com

When you login to the appointments system alongside your name in an appointment you will see a Red Card Icon. Click on the icon and compile your report. When the report is saved it will be sent to the Red Card Secretary (John Davies) who will check it and may get back to you if it needs additional information. He will then email it to the relevant CB Discipline Secretary. If this fails then download a discipline report from society website and send by email/post to John Davies.

Player sent off following recommendation of TJ

The referee must submit his report and if he hasn't seen the incident ensure a tick in the relevant box. The TJ MUST also submit a report to describe the incident leading up to the reason for his decision

Player sent off in Schools or Youth fixtures (U18)

You must hand to the coach or teacher responsible for the team a Schools/Youth Disciplinary Tick Box Report. (Copies available via Downloads) This enables them to discipline the player internally. You must still submit a Sending Off Report or Match Abuse Report as above.

ALLOWABLE EXPENSES

1. Travel

The mileage rate, currently **any amount up to 36 pence per mile**, can be claimed for the following journeys:

- (a) To matches in the role of match officials, advisors or coaches.
- (b) To committee meetings – Executive, sub-group committees, working parties as set up by the executive, Federation, Midland Group and RFU.
- (c) To any other meeting or event when nominated by the Executive Committee as official representatives of the Society.
- (d) On exchange appointments the Society will normally pay mileage expenses for one car. Only in very exceptional circumstances will additional mileage expenses be paid and the agreement of the Treasurer must be obtained before any journey is made.

Any such journey shall be deemed to have started at the claimants home, if that is inside the Warwickshire boundary. For those living outside the county boundary the journey will be deemed as having started from the nearest point on the county boundary.

2. Subsistence

The costs of snacks or meals can be claimed on any of the above journeys as follows when:

- (a) The one way trip is in excess of 2 hours - £5 maximum.
 - (b) An overnight stay is required - £10 maximum.
- Please note: Receipts will be required.

3. Overnight Allowance

Expenses can be claimed for an overnight stop as follows:

- (a) With prior agreement of the Society Hon. Treasurer.
- (b) Where the one way trip exceeds 3 hours travel.
- (c) A maximum of £50 per room can be claimed.
- (d) Rooms must be shared wherever possible.
- (e) Receipts supporting the claim will be required.

4. Other expenses

Expected expenditure in excess of the above must be agreed with the Hon. Treasurer at least one month prior to the event. Where any such proposed expenditure is extraordinary or justification is in doubt the Hon. Treasurer shall refer the proposal to the Executive Committee.

5. Claiming Expenses.

Expenses must be;

- (a) Claimed for using the correct form and submitted to the Hon. Treasurer.
(The form can be downloaded from the website and is also available via the Secretary)
- (b) Submitted within the current playing season at **monthly intervals**. This allows the Treasurer to monitor the cash flow more efficiently.

CONSTITUTION

The Society shall be known as the Warwickshire Society of Referees and shall consist of active and non-active referees in matches played under the laws of the Rugby Football Union.

Other persons may be elected non-active Members of the Society on application with the approval of the Executive Committee.

The Society is a mutual Society.

Equal Opportunities Statement

Warwickshire Society of Referees (WSOR) recognises the importance of affording equity, equal opportunity and fair treatment to all present and potential members

WSOR aims to ensure that all people irrespective of their age, gender, ability, race, religion, ethnic origin, creed, colour, nationality, social status or sexual orientation have a genuine and equal opportunity to participate at all levels and in all roles.

1. MANAGEMENT

- (i) The officers shall be the:
 - (a) President, who shall be the President of the Warwickshire Rugby Football Union.
 - (b) Chairman.
 - (c) Honorary Secretary
 - (d) Honorary Treasurer
 - (e) Appointments Secretary
 - (f) Referee Development Officer
 - (g) Chairman of Grading Committee
 - (h) Recruitment & Retention Officer
- (ii) The Executive Committee in whom the management of the Society shall be vested shall consist of the officers in 1(i) above with the exception of the President.
- (iii) The members of the Executive Committee shall elect at the first full Committee Meeting from amongst their members one person to fulfil the role of Vice Chairman in addition to the role to which that person was elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- (iv) Excepting the President, the Executive Committee members shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting.

2. CONDUCT OF THE COMMITTEE.

- (i) The Executive Committee shall hold regular meetings.
- (ii) The Chairman shall conduct the meetings in accordance with the constitution.
- (iii) Each member shall have one vote. In cases of voting equality, the Chairman shall have the casting vote.

3. POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee shall have the power to:

- (i) Conduct the business of the Society,
- (ii) Form committees to administer the key functions of the Society. Such committees shall be:
 - (a) Grading, Assessment and Development.
 - (b) Finance.
 - (c) Appointments and Exchanges.
 - (d) Recruitment and Training.
 - (e) Social.

The committees will be formed from members of the Society who offer their services to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall ratify membership of the committees by 31st July. Executive Officers will normally be chairmen of these committees.

- (iii) Control the funds of the Society, ensuring that proper books are kept. The books shall be audited annually by auditors appointed at the Annual General Meeting.
- (iv) Consider all applications for membership.
- (v) Consider all applications for affiliation to the Society by clubs.
- (vi) Nominate at the Annual General Meeting such members they consider worthy to Vice President or Life Members of the Society.
- (vii) Take action against members and affiliated clubs in the event of non-payment of fees by the date due.
- (viii) Be responsible for any disciplinary matters and have the right to expel or suspend any Member, or to take any other such action deemed appropriate, whose conduct they consider to be detrimental to the interests of the Society. Any action will be in accordance with the current Society Disciplinary Procedure
- (ix) Appoint special committees and to co-opt additional members for such special services or purposes as they deemed necessary. These will normally include the

Society's representative for:

- (a) The Disciplinary Committee
 - (b) Warwickshire RFU
 - (c) Central Federation
 - (d) District Unions
- (x) Fill any casual vacancy occurring in the office of Honorary Auditor.
- (xi) The Chairman may be an ex officio member of all committees.

In the event of any dispute regarding the meanings of these rules or any matters not herein provided for, the decision of the Committee shall be final.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY

- (i) Candidates who have successfully completed the RFU Entry Level Referee Award (ELRA) Stages 1 & 2 may apply for membership of the Society in accordance with Rule 3(iv). Following payment of membership subscription new members will undertake ELRA Stage 3
- (ii) Having attained the standard & criteria set by ELRA Stage 3 and having expressed a willingness to become an active member of the Society by fulfilling Society appointments, the candidate will become a full member of the Society.
- (iii) Qualified referees applying to join the Society from other Societies will, after verification of their competence from the previous Society, be granted full membership on payment of the Society's subscriptions.
- (iv) Only full members are entitled to wear the Society Badge.
- (v) Active members shall pay an annual subscription by 30th September; the amount to be fixed at the Annual General Meeting.
- (vi) A member of the Society will not accept a refereeing appointment unless duly notified or approved by the appropriate Honorary Appointments Secretary.
- (vii) No member shall accept or ask for any, other than their actual out of pocket expenses except for RFU

appointments. These expenses shall be submitted to the Hon. Treasurer for payment. In the case of dispute over the sum between the Member and the Hon. Treasurer, the Committee will arbitrate and fix such expenses, such a decision to be final.

The Committee shall recommend to the AGM, and be fixed at that meeting, the maximum mileage rate that can be claimed for the coming season.

- (viii) Only full members of the Society may hold the position of an elected officer. No elected officer may accept payment other than out of pocket expenses incurred whilst carrying out his / her elected duties.

Payment may be made, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, to any person other than elected officers for administration work on behalf of the Committee.

- (ix) Those who have successfully completed an approved RFU Referee Training Course, but do not wish to referee within the society may apply to become Associate Members. These members will pay a subscription to be determined annually by the Executive Committee. They will be entitled to receive the Society Newsletter and attend all Society meetings, social functions and training courses but will not have voting rights or be able to fill posts in the administration or management of the Society.

5. AFFILIATION OF CLUBS

Any Club or affiliated body playing under the Laws of the Rugby Football Union shall be eligible to apply for affiliation to the Society. An Affiliated Club shall be entitled to apply for the services of Society referees for home matches upon payment of the relevant fee, which shall be fixed by the Committee of the Society, providing that it complies with the following conditions:

- (i) The club shall give the appropriate Honorary Appointments Secretary not less than seven days notice of any match for which a referee is required.
- (ii) Fixture lists for the ensuing season shall be forwarded to

- the Honorary Appointments Secretary by the date notified.
- (iii) Affiliation fees should be payable annually on or before 1 September, or upon affiliation.
 - (iv) Clubs shall not engage or seek to engage the services of the Society's referees except through the Appointments Committee of the Society.

6. VICE PRESIDENTS / LIFE MEMBERS

- (i) Life members may be nominated by the Executive Committee for exceptional service to the management of the Society and elected by the Members at the Annual General Meeting. Members may make representation for a member to be nominated for Life Membership to the Executive. A Life Member is eligible to attend Executive Committee meetings but does not have a vote.
- (ii) Vice Presidents may be nominated by the Executive Committee for long service to the Society and elected by members at the Annual General Meeting. Members may make representation for a member to be nominated a Vice President to the Executive Committee.

7. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

General meetings shall be held as follows:

- (i) The Annual General Meeting shall be held by 30th June each year. At least 21 days notice of the meeting shall be given to all Life Members, Vice Presidents, Members, Associate Members and Affiliated Clubs, who may be represented at the meeting.

The business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting shall be:

- (a) To elect the officers and members of the Executive Committee listed in rule 1(i). The position of Chairman 1(i) (b) will be the first election to take place. Each member shall have one vote. If there be voting equality for this position then the other members of the retiring committee present at the meeting shall decide who will hold this position for the forthcoming

year. The election of the remaining officers on the Executive Committee in 1(i) (c-h) will then take place. Each member shall have one vote. In cases of voting equality, the Chairman shall have the casting vote. Nominations for officers should be in writing, signed by the proposer, seconder and the nominee and forwarded to the Secretary not less than seven days prior to the meeting. In the event of no nomination for a post(s) being received by the Secretary by the due date, late nominations, either in writing to the Secretary or from the floor of the AGM, will be considered for election by the AGM.

- (b) To elect Vice Presidents and / or Life Members in accordance with Rule 6.
- (c) To receive reports on the preceding season.
- (d) To conduct other relevant business.
- (ii) An Annual Financial General Meeting shall be held immediately prior to the August Open Meeting. The business to be conducted at the AFGM shall be:
 - a) To receive and adopt the audited accounts of the Society.
 - b) To appoint Honorary Auditors for the following season.
- (iii) A Special General Meeting shall be convened by the Honorary Secretary within 28 days of receipt of instruction to that from the committee or a resolution in writing signed by at least 30 members. At least 21 days notice of any such meeting shall be given to all Life Members, Vice Presidents, Members and Associate Members.
- (v) At General Meetings, only Vice Presidents, Life Members and Full Members are eligible to vote.

8. ALTERATION TO RULES

These rules may be altered at the Annual General Meeting of the Society or at any Special General Meeting, but in each case 28 days notice in writing must be given to the Secretary specifying the proposed alterations and

21 days notice in writing must be given by the Secretary to all Members specifying the proposed alterations. Any alterations to these rules must be approved by at least 75% of those present and entitled to vote.

9. QUORUM

- (i) At any General Meeting thirty members shall form a quorum.
- (ii) At Executive Committee Meetings any four members thereof shall form a quorum.
- (iii) The Executive Committee shall determine the quorum for Sub-Committees when establishing the terms of reference of those Sub-Committees.
- (iv) In the event of a quorum not being present within thirty minutes of the time notified for the meeting, it shall be postponed and convened again within one month, but not less than seven days from the proposed meeting. If at any subsequent meeting a quorum is not present within the time stated above, those present shall form a quorum.

10. WINDING/DISSOLUTION OF THE SOCIETY

If at any General Meeting a resolution (duly submitted in accordance with the rules) for the dissolution of the Society shall be passed by the majority of the members present and voting, and such a resolution shall, at a Special General Meeting held not less than one month thereafter, be confirmed by resolution passed by 75% of the members present and entitled to vote, the Executive Committee shall forthwith arrange to realise the property of the Society and after discharge of all liability shall dispose of it in the manner provided by the said resolution. Upon completion of such disposition the Society shall be dissolved.

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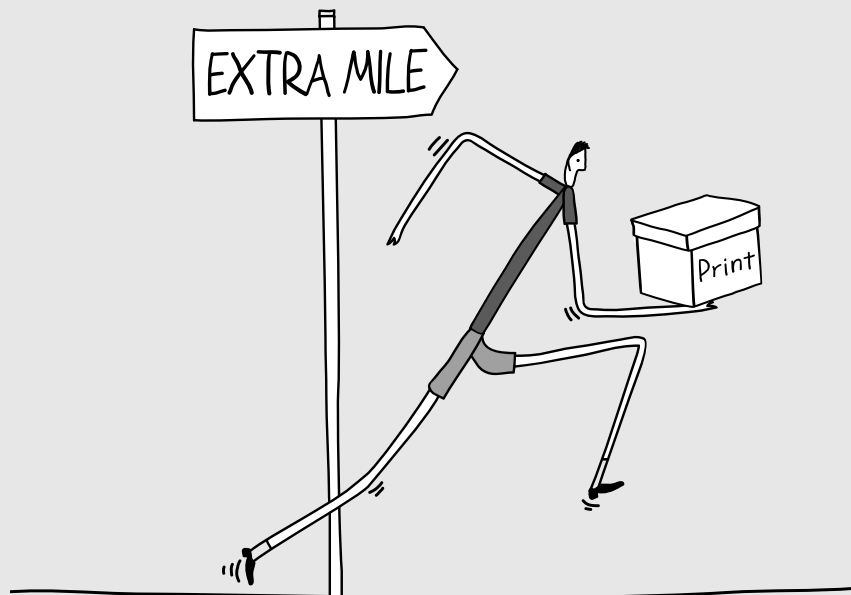
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