



Northumberland Rugby Union Newsletter

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Team of the Month Winner - February 2020

We're delighted to say that February's winning team is Wallsend RUFC 1st XV. They win 20 tickets to the Newcastle Falcons v Ealing game on 28th March. To read their nomination, [click here](#). For information about the award and how to nominate, please [click here](#). Please note that nominations close on 11th March 2020 - so be quick!



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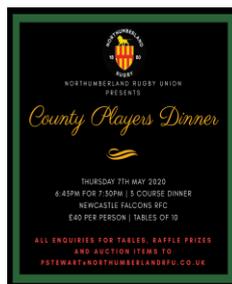
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NRU 140TH ANNIVERSARY COUNTY PLAYERS DINNER

We are delighted to announce that our President, Mark Richard, will be hosting a NRU 140th Anniversary County Players Dinner. The Dinner will take place on Thursday, 7th May 2020 at Newcastle Falcons and it would be lovely to see as you there to help us celebrate. Tickets are £40 each to include a 3 course meal and please email pstewart@northumberlandrfu.co.uk to book or for more details about the event, click [here](#).



Forthcoming Events

- 7 Mar - Newcastle Ravens: Hadrian Cup @ Percy Park from 10 am
- 15 Mar - County U15s boys v Cumbria @ Wigton RFC (pm KO)
- 15 Mar - County Mens U20s v Cheshire @ Bowden RFC @2.15 pm KO
- 28 Mar - No2 Cup Plate finals - details tbc

Northumberland players selected for U18s England Counties and North of England squads

We're delighted to announce that two Northumberland players have been selected to play for England Counties Under 18's this year; Adam Scott (Northern and Gosforth Academy) and Dylan Gittins (Novos and Gosforth Academy).

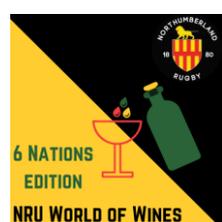
Northumberland also has a further 3 players selected to play for the North of England; Joe Hanning (Tynedale and Gosforth Academy), Ben Pettifer (Alnwick and Dame Allans) and Jack Donaldson (Tynedale and Gosforth Academy). Huge congratulations to the players selected and we wish them good luck!

Northumberland Men U20's v Staffordshire Men U20's - Match Report by Ray Hedley

The campaign began at North Shields RFC against Staffordshire on 23rd February on a very windy day. After playing Staffordshire last year, we had a good idea what we were up against. We started well and caught Staffs napping 4 min in and scored our first try, good open rugby and the backs had laid the gauntlet down. After 15 min we were 21-3 up. We played some nice open rugby taking us into half time 24-10 up with Northumberland backs really running the show and quick off the ball from the forwards. Starting strong in the second half it looked like job done when we went 47-10 up with 30min to play. Then on the hour Staffs scored a try taking it to 47-17. Our pack was to prove stronger and dominated the forward contest giving the backs ball to play which resulted in Northumberland running out eventual winners 61-17.



Northumberland Men's U20s



NRU WorldofWines Club - Six Nations Selection

Northumberland Rugby Union are delighted to announce the launch of their very own members Wine Club! This exciting new initiative will see a quarterly offering of quality wines specially selected by our very own wine expert Ian Richardson (CB Rep from Whitley Bay Rockcliff). We are offering members (only for anyone over 18 of course) a significant saving on quality wines chosen exclusively for NRU, delivered direct to your door in partnership with highly respected wine merchant, Inverarity Morton of Glasgow. For full details of this quarter's wine selection and how to book, click [here](#) ...

Percy Park and Rockcliff Boxing Day Donation

The purpose of 'Boxing Day' is in the giving and that tradition has been followed faithfully by Percy Park and Rockcliff Rugby Football Clubs in the charitable donation of 'gate money' to worthy causes. That tradition has been in place since the two clubs began playing against each other on the 26th of December since the days of Queen Victoria! This year Percy Park have made a sizeable donation to the Accident and Emergency Department at Northumbria Healthcare. To read the full story, click [here](#).



A bit of rain never stopped play ...

Don't forget that we now have NRU umbrellas for sale at £25.00 each. They're going fast, so if you'd like one, email pstewart@northumberlandrfu.co.uk.

Perfect for those rainy days stood on the touchline!



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