Northumberland RFU and NRF Development programme

Update Sept -Oct 24

GENERAL UPDATE

- Delivery began to take place from September in and around Tynedale, Morpeth, Novos,
- Delivery is planned in for Blyth Gosforth, North Shields, Wallsend, Northen, Ashington, Alnwick Ponteland and Blyth for the school terms Autumn 2 and Spring 1 at present with space for more delivery in Spring 2
- Young leaders from the high schools have linked into the primary festivals at Morpeth Tynedale and Blyth.
- Primary schools festivals have taken place through School Games Organisers network and NRSU
- 564 participants have received the rugby delivery from the NRF
- 320 boys 243 girls
- From initial investigation there has been 10-15 new players transitioned from school delivery to a club with up to 12 of these to Morpeth RFC girls – From purely school delivery and a transitions session held on a Sunday morning

ALNWICK	We are working with the club to look at different avenues to delivery in the 2 high schools. Delivery at Dr Thomlinson's at Rothbury linking players to the club on geography Club hosted a year 5/6 festival with 61 participants from local primary schools
ASHINGTON	Delivery planned for St Bennet Biscop girls in Autumn 2 Blyth Academy delivery taking place in Autumn 2 linking into Blyton Primary school delivery via another programme has taken place
BLYTH	Festival ran for years 5 and 6 which had 350 participants take part in small skills games and an introduction to rugby. Blyth had coaches present to promote the club. Young leaders from Blyth Academy attended and from their involvement may have looked into joining the club to play. (NRF to follow up if YL attended) delivery to begin in Autumn 2 at Blyth Academy and CLV. Offered to Bede academy for girls delivery not heard back from the school.
GOSFOTH	Met with Jon from the club. middle school programme starting to get up and running in Autumn 2/Spring 1. Plenty of communication with school but limited action from the schools.
NORTH SHIELDS	Lots of classes at John Spence to begin in Autumn 2. Happy for rugby to take place in the school St Thomas More delivery in discussion (Coastal partnership delivering ASC)
WALLSEND	Benfield Yr 7/8 being introduce off the back of RGS delivery in Year 9 and above Walker Tech limited response but still trying Churchill delivery post Chirstmas

NOVOS	Delivery at St Marys has taken place and will continue into Autumn 2 – planning a transition event for the St Marys groups in Autumn 2. George Stephenson delivery via Hitz on Track gone well and they now want to set a rugby club up. We are following this up to start this up.
TYNEDALE	Lots of middle school delivery happening resulting in a number of middle school fixtures between them selves refereed and ran by NRF staff. Year 5/6 festival ran on 7th Nov attended by 50 participants and Young leader from QE Hexham – 1 had recently attended a RFU refereeing course 1 is looking to coach as a career
MORPETH	Middle School delivery taken place and will continue into Autumn 2 we are aware of at least 12 new players within Morpeth's girls' sections at ages 12s/14s. the increase in U12s players has resulted in them having enough players to attend CB events as Morpeth RFC Additional delivery has and is continuing with the girls at year 9 and above at KEVI as the school historically haven't had a girls team – Girls from Morpeth RFC who attend the school are wanting to play as a school team and are asking to attend festivals and fixtures. Primary school festival held at Morpeth had 200 participants from the local schools KEVI assisted with young leaders. KEVI young Leaders and additional players from Morpeth RFC keen to do more and potentially RFU refereeing courses This resulted in a number of schools wanting rugby within their trust and more trust festivals. NRF to follow this up
NORTHERN	middle school programme starting to get up and running in Autumn 2/Spring 1. Plenty of communication with school but limited action from the schools
SEGILL	no delivery happened as of yet.
PONTELAND	Difficult to run anything in Ponteland High due to their strong curriculum delivery – looking to run a ASC at the school. Walbottle Campus, Studio West And CLV delivery planned in.