

Training is 10:30 – 11:30 for U6 – U8s
Training is 10:30 – 12:00 for U9s and over

We always welcome parents to stay and support their children and it is **compulsory that children in the U6 - U9 teams are accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.**

“DONATE A SUNDAY MORNING”

We are a club run by volunteers and we need your help.

The kit shop and kitchen are open most Sundays we need volunteers to help run them.

Please support the club and offer to help.

Contact Sue on 01304 370146 or at
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SAFEGUARDING POLICY

Deal and Betteshanger RFC treats the issues surrounding Child Safeguarding seriously and endeavours to provide a safe environment for all our young players, supporting an environment that fosters fair mindedness sporting behaviour and allowing the young players to reach their own personal best.

All Coaches, parent helpers and volunteers involved with the young people of Deal and Betteshanger RFC and its visitors will be subject to the Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure procedures.

The Club's Safeguarding Officer is Paula McLachlan: 01304 379047

Copies of the Club's Safeguarding Policy can be found on the notice board within the clubhouse, or on the Club's website. Team Managers also have copies.

Copies of the RFU Policies are available from the Safeguarding Officer. More information can be obtained from the RFU website: www.rfu.com

CLUB WEBSITE

www.pitchero.com/clubs/dealandbetteshanger

Welcome to Deal and Betteshanger RFC



Come and play with the Lions!

Codes of Conduct

When completing their membership forms, parents/guardians and players agree to abide by the code of conduct listed below, and to accept any and all measures for gross misconduct deemed appropriate by the committee of Deal and Betteshanger RFC.

Players

1. The club expects fair play at all times. Shake hands with match officials and opponents after the game (whatever the result)
2. Do not become involved in disputes with officials, opponents or spectators. Control your temper and do not use foul, abusive or racist language towards officials, opponents or spectators. Do not applaud the sending-off or the errors of opponents
3. Treat everyone equally regardless of sex, disability, ethnic origin or religion
4. Let the referee handle incidents in the game. Do not retaliate against opponents
5. Treat the changing rooms and facilities of all Clubs you visit with respect
6. Teamwork, effort and enjoyment are as important as winning. Learn to win and lose with dignity
7. Cooperate with your coach, team, opponents and referee, for without them you do not have a game
8. Remember you are representing your Club. Be sensible and enjoy yourself.

Spectators/Parents/Guardians

1. Remember your actions influence the mood of the players and the game. Do not applaud foul play, and do not incite your players to foul. Do not use foul, abusive or racist language to players or other spectators. Do not ridicule opponents for their mistakes
2. Recognise that children play for fun. They are not miniature professionals or internationals. Encourage all players and applaud their efforts.
3. Teach the children that taking part and trying their best is more important than the result of the match
4. Stand away from the touchline. You must not enter the field of play during a game unless asked to do so by the referee
5. Remember, when you are supporting your team, you are representing the Club
6. You are subject to the laws of the game. You can be cautioned, reported, sent away from the ground, and suspended from attending any matches
7. Recognise the importance of volunteer coaches; they give their time and resources to provide a game for young players. Do not abuse match officials, however much you disagree with their decision, emphasise respect for the referee by not questioning his decision.
8. Be aware that children in the U6- U9s teams must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.

In the event that any player/spectator/parent/guardian contravenes any of the items listed above, disciplinary actions could be carried out.

Statement to all Kent RFU Mini/Midi Rugby Sections regarding protective clothing for young players:

What players can wear:

- The basic equipment for rugby players is socks, shorts and jersey. These items should not be padded. Children should of course wear underwear beneath; this may include heat retaining Lycra style vests, shorts and / or leggings or tights.
- Players should wear boots with approved metal studs or plastic moulded studs but these must not be sharp or abrasive.
- Coaches are requested to adopt the practice of encouraging players to change their footwear on leaving the ground as inevitably concrete car parks etc. will cause studs to become abrasive.
- Protective headgear and shoulder padding may be worn but it should be iRB approved.
- Protective shin guards may be worn but these must be of non-rigid material and not of the plastic moulded type that is often worn for football.
- Mitts (fingerless gloves) may be worn but these should not cover the finger tips.

What players must not wear:

- any item that is contaminated by blood.
- any item that is sharp or abrasive.
- any items containing buckles, clips, rings, hinges, zippers, screws, bolts or rigid material or projection
- jewellery such as watches, rings or earrings.
- gloves.
- shorts with padding sewn into them.
- a single stud at the toe of the boot.

The match referee has discretion to request the removal of any items he considers unsafe.

To avoid doubt and in the interest of child welfare, if the weather is so inclement as to make it difficult for the majority of children to stay warm, whilst actively engaged in rugby activities, without additional protective clothing the practice or fixture should be called off

At Deal and Betteshanger RFC, a mouth guard or dental protector is mandatory for U9s and above.

Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline & Sportsmanship