BATH SARACENS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Affiliated to Rugby Football Union, Civil Service Rugby Football Union and Bath District Rugby Combination

FOUNDED 1947

Colours: Navy Blue -Cardinal Red -Gold



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Dear Vice Presidents

Welcome to the 2002/2003 season, subsequent to last season's efforts we remain in Somerset division two. Although Ken Hole is no longer the club coach there is an air of enthusiasm as Mark Button has agreed to return to the fold with strong help from Tudor Croft.

Early season training has been rather sporadic in terms of numbers as many players have recently enjoyed holidays. One or two friendly matches have had to be cancelled due to shortage of players, but there was a good showing on the first league game of the season. The game was unfortunately lost but we can take a lot from it in preparation for the rest of the season.

There have been a few role changes within the club. Lee Garton has stepped down as captain and Andy Blackburn has taken over. We also welcome four new players to the club who have already made a strong impact during our first two games.

Huw Gover is no longer the Membership Secretary as this position has been handed to myself, Gareth Hind. I aim to continue Huw's good work and keep you informed of events both on and off the pitch through out the season. Tudor Croft is the new Social Secretary and has several events planned, the first of which is on 14 December 2002. This is planned to be a 'Vice President Day' and is to be held at the club (so please note in your diaries). Other events will be posted when confirmed.

Enclosed is the new seasons fixture card and I apologise for it's late delivery this season. Fixtures already fulfilled are shown below:

Date	Opponent	For A	gainst	Venue
27/08/02	Bath Old Edwardians	TRIAL		Away
31/08/02	7's tournament	Cancelled		
01/09/02	Somerton	Postponed		Home
07/09/02	Old Culverhaysians	Cancelled		Away
14/09/02	Burnham On Sea	7	52	Away

Finally and very sadly for those of you that don't already know, Robin (Robbie) Luxmoore died suddenly and totally unexpectedly on the 23rd August. Robbie was only 33 and had been a staunch member of the Club for many years only retiring last season. He was also skipper for a couple of recent seasons and his commitment both on and off the field was exemplary. He will be sorely missed. To add to the sadness felt by all, Robbie was only married less than a year ago and our thoughts and sympathy therefore go out to his wife Leanne.

For those of you who wish, donations in Robbie's memory can be sent to :The Royal Brompton Hospital
C/o Professor Du Bois
Research for Sarcoidosis
Sydney Street
LONDON SW3 6NP

Yours Faithfully

Gareth Hind Membership and Publicity Secretary