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

Thank you to those who turned up on the VP day before Christmas, I hope you all had a good afternoon and were able to reminisce about the 'good old days' over a few beers. The day remains significant considering the comprehensive win against our neighbours Combe down (2nd's), a rare and enjoyable occasion! Furthermore, thanks to everyone who sold their raffle tickets in time for the draw, a relatively good profit was made and an enjoyable evening had by all.

There has been good and bad news in terms of our league games since Christmas. Firstly, to make amends for the loss to Somerton at the beginning of the season we won a hard fought 23-15 victory away to lift us up the league table. Secondly and sadly, we suffered a heavy defeat at the hands of league leaders Winscombe, the only consolation being that they were annoyed by us scoring two tries against them.

It's been talked about for some time but now it has become a reality: **The Bath Saracens Web Site!** It's full of interesting features such as Fixtures & Results, Match Reports, Social Events and details and photographs of the club history to name but a few. But don't take my word for it, if you have the technology logon to: http://www.bathsaracens.co.uk

After the disappointment last year because the Toor had to be cancelled, there is good news that the Bath Saracens 2002\2003 Toor to Amsterdam is booked and ready to go. The numbers are looking healthy so far but there is still room, so if you fancy coming along please contact Simon Walker. Full details are of course available on the web site.

Our treasurer, Hugh Sawyer, has now taken on responsibility for the 'Club Annals'. This is a historical record of the Club since its inception, containing photographs, fixture lists and anything else of interest connected with the Club, bound in a very impressive (although rather musty smelling!) leather ledger.

Although started up enthusiastically enough in 1947 it is rather wanting from the 60's onwards, and Hugh has to arrange loads of items into order and then fill in as many of the gaps as possible. It will take time to co-ordinate this, but in the meantime if anyone has any items which they think would be useful, such as newsletters, photos or pressclippings, could you please get in touch with him – his phone no and e-mail address are in the fixture card. You can check whether items are already held by referring to the checklist on the website (see Club History section), or if you don't have online facilities get Hugh to send you a copy. If you submit items, please make it clear whether they are donated, or lent for copying. Hugh promises to protect anything he borrows, and return it safely!

Anyone wanting to see the Annals can get in touch with Hugh. It is his intention to bring it along to VP sessions and other Club occasions when it is more up to date. If there are items of interest to anyone they can be copied off for those wanting memorabilia, although a small charge will need to be made to cover costs.

Please help if you can to contribute to this record of our Club's history and achievements. By the way, it seems that we have a Club motto of 'Hunc librum'. Any Latin scholars out there who knows what this means?

Lastly, in a battle to maintain contact details, please could you confirm if you received this letter by either phoning, writing or e-mailing me on one of the following numbers or by writing a quick note to me at the following address.

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Yours Faithfully

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