

The Inver

July 2021



WELCOME

The Inver is our club's new monthly newsletter. Here you will find stories and information on what is going on around the club and insight from players and committee members. Future issues will include articles from committee members, players and members. Any suggestions or if you would like to be involved please get in touch with Daniel Waddell via our social media channels or catch him at the club.

Over the last 3 months, players have been putting in a fantastic effort with the fitness and ball skills training sessions hosted by returning Head Coach Scott Kay. The club returned to pre-season training on Thursday 1st July and will be training Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Over Spring, there has been a few new faces as well as returning faces to the club which is great to see. There will be a big recruitment drive over the summer period to strengthen our two teams, as we strive towards a challenging in both leagues.

As Covid-19 restrictions lessen and the world slowly returns to a kind of normality, the return to rugby edges closer. The club will have a 1st XV and a 2nd XV team in the Tennent's East Regional League Division 2 and Tennent's East Regional Reserve League Division 3 respectively for next season. The SRU have released fixtures which you can find in this newsletter.

For the most up to date information on what is going on in the hub, we encourage you to follow us on our social media channels:



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The President's Thoughts

Welcome to the first "Inver" newsletter. This will be published every month as we streamline our communications channels in any effort to reach all our members.

Your new committee has a majority of players who have new and exciting ideas to take the club forward. John Ward is now the treasurer, Simon Boendermaker the secretary and Daniel Waddell will be heading our communications. Sadly, Don Mackenzie and Tom Kay have stood down. I thank them both for all their efforts and a special mention to Don who has been on the committee since the founding of the club.

At our recent committee meeting it was agreed to support Andy McCulloch in his election to the Edinburgh Regional Committee. We have applied for a grant from the SRU to assist with repairing the roof. The Purchase of new portable lights and upgrade of roof lights was also approved. Rob Ryan gave an update on tickets and will keep members informed throughout the process. Our finances remain in a very health position. Get your overalls ready as Stu McCullough is organising a workday to be held in August.

The last fifteen months have been challenging however the commitment from the committee and members has been commendable. We have now completed the internal refurbishment of the club and the increase in bar taking is I am sure related to this. We have a clubhouse that is as good as any in Edinburgh.

Rugby training has started at the club and we have attracted several new players which is very encouraging as we will have challenges ahead. I am confident that we will overcome anything in front with the commitment currently shown by the players and the rugby committee.

My thanks again to everyone who has attended the club in the last two months your support has meant we have taken more over the bar than ever before at this time of the year. All the Lions tests will be shown in the club, we will be offering a free barbeque on those days, to all our members first come basis.

Looking forward to the season ahead and meeting you all at the club.

Best Regards

Chris Davidson
President

Dates for your Diary

24th July—South Africa v British and Irish Lions. Pre-match BBQ at the club.

31st July—South Africa v British and Irish Lions. Pre-match BBQ at the club.

31st July—Facebook social group closes.

August—work day at the club. More information on this will be shared via our social media channels.

7th August—South Africa v British and Irish Lions. Pre-match BBQ at the club.

14th August—Friendly v Dalkeith

28th August—Friendly v Lismore

4th September—Season starts! You can find both team's fixtures at the end of this newsletter.

Communication and Engagement Team

The newly appointed Communication and Engagement team are made up of current players: Daniel Waddell, Keir Liddle, Stephen Dalton and Jacob Holt.

We want to hear your thoughts and opinions on what is going on at the club as well as any ideas you may have. Your support is invaluable and we hope to see you all down at the club supporting the two teams once the season kicks off.

If you have any ideas/suggestions for the club then please get in touch with Daniel Waddell via social media, reply to this email or catch him at the club.

FIRST XV FIXTURES 2021/22

Tennent's East Regional League Division 2

- 04 September 2021—Langholm RFC 1st XV @ HOME
- 11 September 2021—North Berwick RFC 1st XV @ AWAY
- 18 September 2021—Dunbar RFC 1st XV @ HOME
- 25 September 2021—Leith Rugby Club 1st XV @ AWAY
- 09 October 2021—Trinity Academicals RFC 1st XV @ HOME
- 16 October 2021—Livingston RFC 1st XV @ AWAY
- 23 October 2021—Hawick Linden RFC 1st XV @ AWAY
- 30 October 2021—Corstorphine RFC 1st XV @ HOME
- 27 November 2021—Penicuik RFC 1st XV @ AWAY
- 04 December 2021—Langholm RFC 1st XV @ AWAY
- 11 December 2021—North Berwick RFC 1st XV @ HOME
- 08 January 2022—Dunbar RFC 1st XV @ AWAY
- 15 January 2022—Leith Rugby Club 1st XV @ HOME
- 22 January 2022—Trinity Academicals RFC 1st XV @ AWAY
- 29 January 2022—Livingston RFC 1st XV @ HOME
- 19 February 2022—Hawick Linden RFC 1st XV @ HOME
- 05 March 2022—Corstorphine RFC 1st XV @ AWAY

SECOND XV FIXTURES 2021/22

Tennent's East Regional Reserve League Division 3

11 September 2021— Haddington RFC 2nd XV @ HOME

18 September 2021— Forrester RFC 2nd XV (Men) @ AWAY

25 September 2021—Watsonian FC 3rd XV @ HOME

02 October 2021— Leith Rugby Club 3rd XV @ AWAY

09 October 2021— Portobello FP RFC 2nd XV @ HOME

16 October 2021— Caledonian Thebans RFC 1st XV (Men) @ AWAY

23 October 2021— Ross High RFC 2nd XV @ HOME

30 October 2021— Edinburgh Northern RFC 2nd XV @ AWAY

06 November 2021— Corstorphine RFC 2nd XV @ HOME

27 November 2021— Penicuik RFC 2nd XV @ AWAY

04 December 2021— Haddington RFC 2nd XV @ AWAY

08 January 2022—Forrester RFC 2nd XV @ HOME

15 January 2022—Watsonian FC 3rd XV @ AWAY

22 January 2022— Leith Rugby Club 3rd XV @ HOME

29 January 2022— Portobello FP RFC 2nd XV @ AWAY

19 February 2022—Caledonian Thebans RFC 1st XV @ HOME

05 March 2022— Ross High RFC 2nd XV @ AWAY

26 March 2022— Edinburgh Northern RFC 2nd XV @ HOME

02 April 2022— Corstorphine RFC 2nd XV @AWAY