

Hong Kong Society of Rugby Football Union Referees Whistler

Important Dates

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| 1. HKSRLFUR General Meeting: | Monday 18 November 2013 at 7 pm at the POC. |
| 2. HKU Mini Festival: | Saturday 24th November. |
| 3. HK Corporate Charity 7's: | Sunday 01st December, So Kon Po. |
| 4. End of Year Christmas Party: | Wednesday 18 December at ~ 7 pm at the POC |
| 5. Season training: | Every Wednesday night at Kings Park from 7:30 pm. |

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President's Push

Warren Needham. President, Hong Kong Society of Rugby Football Union Referees.

I'd like to lead off this week's Whistler with congratulations to Tobi Lothian who refereed an excellent game last Saturday between the Top 14 French teams, Toulouse and Metro Racing. Using one of the top club competitions as a 'yard stick', he emphatically demonstrated the true standard of HK referees to the HK Rugby community. To put it into true perspective, both coaches of the French teams asked him to move to France. Of course we all encourage him to do so 😊. I won't steal any more of his thunder other than to say his ARs were absolutely brilliant! His report on the match can be found later in the Whistler.

There has been movement on the Code of Conduct (CoC) mentioned in last week's President's Push. It will be held this Friday at 6.15pm. I will keep you all up to date of the outcome.

Excom met on Monday and discussed a myriad of issues. One of which was the fact that registration and Subs are now past due. Members who have not registered and/or not paid their \$400 fee have now **forfeited any access to 7s tickets** and due to insurance issues, **cannot be assigned to games** until this is rectified.

Remember **training** is continuing on **Wednesday nights** at King's Park starting at 7pm. My schedule has now allowed me to get back into. Sam has definitely upped the anti. It be great to get as many people there as possible. We had some great law discussions between labored breaths and at the supper afterwards. It's a great social way to get fitter and to improve our collective understanding of the laws.

Our thoughts and best wishes are with all those families affected by the typhoon in the Philippines this past week. There are numerous fundraising efforts going on around the rugby community. Please dig deep and support those left to pick up the pieces.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the **GM on Monday** at the Police Officers' Club starting at 7pm.

Good luck to everyone running around a pitch on the weekend. Toot well.

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COMMUNITY REFEREE REPORT

Bernard Fienberg, Patrick Kwok, Matthew Rodden | Hong Kong Rugby Football Union

First of all, a big thank you to all of you who make yourselves available to referee during the week and over the weekend. Also thank you to those who keep Assignr updated and check regularly for their appointments and the inevitable changes that happen during the week. At the GM on Monday, Matt will run through some changes we have made and answer questions you may have about using Assignr.

A good turn-out at training this week, great to see some new faces, some familiar faces and more of our A Panel referees in attendance! As Warren has mentioned, these training sessions not only provide a good chance to improve our fitness, but also an opportunity to discuss any questions you may have or just to learn from the more experienced referees in attendance. Most importantly, it is one of the few times when we can get together as referees and get feedback from like-minded people. You will continue to receive reminders so for those of you who otherwise engaged, apologies in advance. For those of you who are available, see you there!

Key dates coming up:

- General Meeting: 18th November, Police Officer's Club 7pm.
- HKU Mini Festival: Saturday 24th November.

- Hong Kong's Corporate Charity 7's Rugby Tournament, Sunday 01st December, So Kon Po.
Nominations to Stan Harman.

Finally, a big congratulations to Tobi Lothian and his team for a superb performance in the French Top 14 clash last weekend. It was a great occasion with some good rugby on show in which the officials played their part fantastically. Well done!

Good luck on the pitch over the weekend.

Bernard, Patrick and Matt

Tournaments

Stan Harman

Saville Sevens is on the 1st of Dec. Still open for nomination a full day of good rugby, so names to me by the 20th November .

Stan

Kit

Alexander Blois-Brooke

Whistles, Yellow/Red Cards, Flags

Any members needing any of the above items please, drop me a line and I will arrange for them to be swapped over.

Social Kit

There is a great selection of social kit set up on the ZOO Sport website. Any members wishing to order the kit please do so by Next Monday for a Pre Xmas delivery. Range of hoodies, jackets, track pants perfect for the cooler months.

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