

Minutes of Academy Meeting held on Wednesday 28th April 2009 at Crawley RFC starting at 7.00pm.

Present: John Douglas (Chair) and Messers Vernon (CBRDP Surrey), Croucher(CBRDP Sussex); Fred Batchelor (ERFSU); Rushmore(Surrey), Edmondson (Sussex), Bates (CDO); Diprose (Harlequins) and Graham (Harlequins)

Apologies for Absence: Rogers (Sussex), Siggs (Sussex), Thompson(Sussex) and White(Surrey)

Howard Graham was welcomed as the replacement for Darren Edwards who had left Harlequins in the summer.

Alan Croucher was also welcomed as the new CBRDP Sussex Chair.

Minutes of last Meeting: the Minutes of the April Meeting had been circulated and signed as a true record.

Matters Arising: None

E-mail addresses for Fred Batchelor and Roger Edmondson had not been updated. Tony apologised for his error and promised to update their e-mail addresses

Roger Edmondson rogeredmondson@therfu.com
Fred Batchelor fredbatchelor@therfu.com
Alan Croucher alan.j.croucher@aexp.com

Schools of Rugby Report - Tony Diprose had circulated the report before the Meeting – see attachment

Additional Points:

1. Number of Coaches Surrey 22 Sussex 18
 New Surrey Coaches: Oli Torri; James Rayburn; Gerwyn Wilson; Rod Jermy and Richie Andrews
 New Sussex Coaches: Adam Hopcroft and Grant Lawrence
2. Surrey U15 Squad is too large and the numbers will be reduced from approx 40 to 20 at the October Day Camp.
3. All Coaches must be CRB Rugby checked – other CRB certificates are not acceptable – No Rugby CRB Certificate – No School of Rugby Coaching Appointment. All Coaches not rugby CRB checked will fill in the form on the 14th September.

England Rugby Academy Report – Tony Diprose had circulated his report beforehand.

1. Full-Time Academy (15)

Rob Buchanan Ealing Will Collier Rosslyn Park Ross Chisholm Esher
Dan Frazier Esher Ollie Lindsay-Hague Rosslyn Park George Lowe Esher

Darryl Marfo	Richmond	Joe Marler	Esher		
Charlie Matthews	Loughborough	Jono Ross	Esher	Stan Smith	Esher
Stan Stegman	Esher	Joe Trayfoot	Richmond	Luke Wallace	Ealing
Chris York	Esher				

7 players had already played for the 1st XV this season.

Tony stated that he was pleased with this intake and congratulated those coaches who produced fitter and better skilled rugby players. Harlequins had more Academy players in the England Junior Squads than any other Academy

2. England U20 Elite Squad 2009-10

Rory Clegg	Joe Marler	Sam Smith	Sam Stuart	Joe Trayfoot
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3. England U18 Conference Squad

George Merrick	Kyle Sinckler	Sam Twomey
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A.O.B.

1. After being asked how Harlequins were coping with “Bloodgate”, Tony stated:
 1. He was doing extra coaching for the 1st XV working 7 days a week which was OK short time but the problem needed to be addressed long term
 2. He hoped that a line would be drawn on Friday by Judge Blackett and Harlequins would start to win their matches.

Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 13th January Crawley RFC 7pm.

1. Meetings Dates 2009-10

Wednesday 9 th September	Crawley RFC	7pm
Wednesday 13 th January	Crawley RFC	7pm
Wednesday 28 th April	Crawley RFC	7pm.