



Painswick RFC

'The Original Cherry & Whites'

Est. 1872

BROADHAM FIELDS, STROUD ROAD, PAINSWICK
AFFILIATED TO THE RFU AND GRFU

WELCOME

Painswick RFC, and especially our thriving Minis and Youth section, is a great place for kids to play rugby! We're the oldest village rugby club in England, entering our 150th year! So if you live in the Gloucestershire area, come on down and play rugby at Painswick RFC. Subs for the full 2021/22 season are £50 for single children U9 and above (£25 for every other family player), and £30 for minis (U8 and below).

The culture of the club is very much one of parental involvement. If you can help out by volunteering please contact the club - we can never have too many helpers!

JOINING PAINSWICK RFC

For newcomers, any appropriate clothing can be worn and you are welcome to a couple of try-out sessions before deciding if you want to join. Please take note that a player without a gumshield (under 9 and beyond) will not be able to take part in any contact drills or games.

To get in touch, and to arrange a free try out, contact the relevant age group manager below or just turn up every Sunday at 10am from September to late April. You can try out and join at any stage of the season. Here's how to find us.

REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR THE 2021/22 SEASON

Membership and registration (which England Rugby now calls 'affiliation') are organised via England Rugby's Game Management System (GMS). Details on how to log in, update your details and pay your annual subs are below. If you are new to the club, or do not have yet an England Rugby account via the GMS you must do so using [this link](#). This user guide to filling this online form in might be helpful. Key thing to remember is that you register yourself first, then create a password, then add your kids details. If you already have a GMS account (because you are a parent with another kid at the club or are a past player) then you need to read below and update (not create a duplicate) your account.

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Club colours are cherry & white hoops. Shirts, shorts, socks and training tops are available from Batemans Sports in Stroud, or online [here](#).

All players U9 and above must have - and wear - a mouthguard (gumshield) before being permitted to take part in sessions. The heat-moulded mouthguards are adequate, but older players are recommended to have correctly fitted mouthguards.

Rugby or football boots can be worn, but must be fitted with rugby studs or have moulded plastic studs or 'blades' with no sharp edges. We recommend the one-piece aluminium studs that carry the BSI Kitemark. Trainers should not be worn as they do not provide enough protection and are not much use on wet grass or mud. Conversely, if the ground is very hard it is better to wear firm ground (FG)/moulded studs than old-fashioned metal rugby studs.

Arrangements for start of the season 2021/22

AFFILIATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Signing up for the season is a two-step process. (1) AFFILIATION: Having a parental GMS account - which means that your child(ren) can be affiliated (=the new name for being registered) with the club; and (2) MEMBERSHIP: Paying for your subs with that GMS account. Players must have paid their subs to the club and have their details registered on England Rugby's Game Management System (GMS). Every player in the club must be affiliated (=registered) on the GMS system, even those in the U6s. Please note that parents should NOT press the 'affiliate' button for themselves unless they also play in an adult team (yes, it's a bit confusing, sorry)

Step-by-step guide to sorting out and paying for your membership

There are two steps to sorting out your annual membership - logging into the GMS and paying on the GMS.

Step 1. Log in to Game Management System (GMS)

FOR THE MAJORITY OF PARENTS: <https://gms.rfu.com/GMS/Account/Login>

NEW TO THE CLUB OR NEVER REGISTERED: <https://gms.rfu.com/GMS/CreateAccount>

PLEASE BE HELPFUL. It is highly likely that you will have forgotten your password. Please press the "forgotten password" link and you will most probably find the reminder email goes into your spam. Please, please put in the effort and find it and log back into your existing account (rather than just creating a new one). The impact on club volunteers of lots of duplicate entries is pretty significant - please help us out here.

Step 2. Pay your subs via the GMS, by bank transfer (details on request), or at the clubhouse bar

This document may help with the process: [Age grade registration step by step for parents](#)

Coach contact by age group

Under 16s: Chris Bullingham - 07825 446259 / chris.bullingham@hotmail.co.uk

Under 14s: Ian Podmore - 07980 625861 / ipodders@icloud.com

Under 10s: Tom Russell - 07789 761248 / team_ginge@yahoo.com

Under 9s: Oz Smith - 07717 307713 / ozgidley-smith@outlook.com

Mini Section: Dom Barnard - 07952 738954 / domrolle@yahoo.co.uk



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