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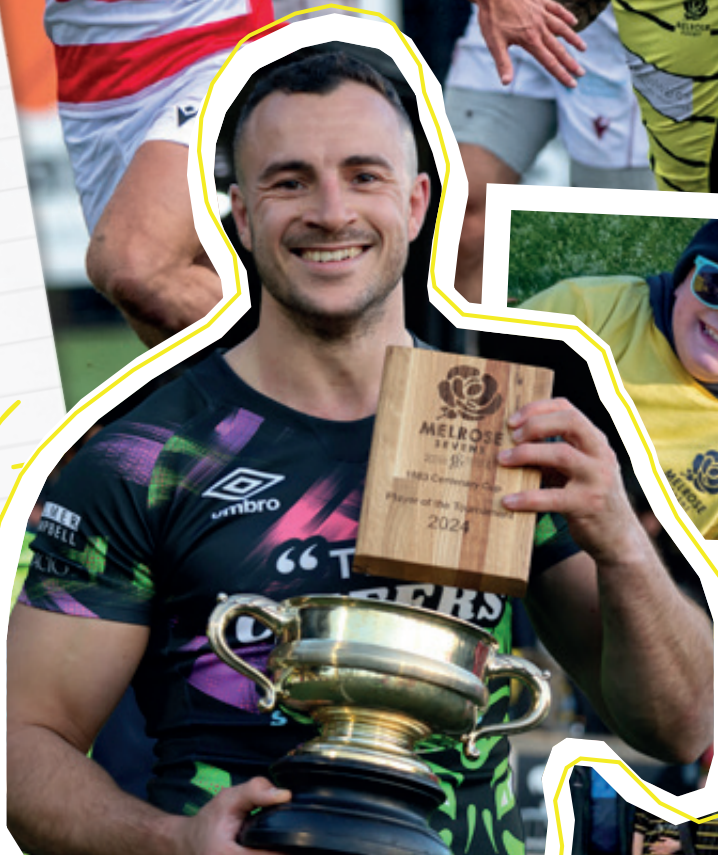
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Shogun winners of the
1883 Centenary Cup.





WELCOME to the April edition of *The Rose*.

The Sevens have been the main focus for everybody at The Greenyards over the last month or so. A huge amount of work goes into organising the Sports and setting up the ground for the three-day event. That it all runs so smoothly is down to a great team working incredibly hard behind the scenes. I'd like to thank each one of the volunteers who have helped in any way to make Melrose Sevens the brilliant weekend it was this year. Thanks also to the thousands who attended on the day and the over 45,000 people who tuned in online and watched on the BBC.

The Hall of Fame got the weekend off to a great start. The following night the Women in Sport dinner brought in a lot of new faces to The Greenyards.

Both were very enjoyable evenings and congratulations to all who received awards. The Friday also saw plenty of Youth Rugby being played out on the pitch. It began with a rugby clinic provided by Merchiston Castle School. Then the Queen Bees took on local girls' teams. Then onto the U16s who won the Drummond Cup. And finally, the U18s who picked up the Hong Kong Shield. It means that Melrose will be first name on that trophy. The support for the Youth Rugby was brilliant with the packed stand creating an electric atmosphere for the players.

Although the weather on the Saturday was not the best, it didn't spoil a great day of rugby. Congratulations to Shogun Rugby, both men and women, on their victories. A special mention to the men's runners up, South Barbarians. Although they only had a couple of training sessions together, they played some great rugby throughout the day and did the Borders proud.

The Sevens season continued the following weekend with Melrose losing narrowly to Gala in the semi-final at Hawick Sevens. However, the team came out on top at Berwick Sevens winning the final 24 – 12 against Jed. Congratulations lads.

There's still plenty rugby to see. The Knights have started their final Sprint Series. There are a lot of locals playing for them this season. They have home games over the next couple of weeks so get down to The Greenyards if you can to support the boys. It will be appreciated.

The Crichtons will also take place on the 4th of May where you can watch the future of the club display their skills

If you are down at the club have a wee look in the stand next to the tunnel. You'll see a plaque with 'Wattie's Seat' in it. A tribute and reminder of Wattie Todd who was an ever-present in that very seat on training nights over the past years.

Hopefully I'll see you in the clubhouse.

Regards

GRANT HOGG
PRESIDENT, MELROSE RUGBY



INTERVIEW WITH GEORGE ELLIOTT

GEORGE ELLIOTT

BRENDAN MOLLOY CHATS TO GEORGE ELLIOTT, MELROSE RUGBY CHAIRMAN



I TOOK some time last week after the Sevens to sit down with George Elliott and discuss his time as Chair of the Board of Melrose Rugby. I started off by asking him to reflect on his time as Chair, and why he was bringing it to an end after the AGM in July.

George: I've spent the past 17 years working as a non-exec director in over 25, predominantly technology companies, serving as chairman on most of them. I have been winding down my commitments and when I was approached by Andy Purves over two years ago to see if I would be interested in joining the Board I saw it as an opportunity to give something back. Growing up in Newstead in the Sixties and Seventies, the rugby club represented all that is good about community in Melrose. At that time, it seemed that everyone had an interest in the club and took an interest in players. I loved the sense of belonging and being part of something that meant a lot to everyone. The older players looked after you and people like Eck Hastie, Davy Chisholm, Frank Laidlaw and of course Jim Telfer, made a big impression in shaping me both as a player and as an individual. So, I felt it was important for me to put something back, especially after Covid and the turmoil that the club was having integrating the Knights and embracing semi-professional rugby.

BM: And has that happened?

George: To an extent. Now that the SRU have decided to terminate the Super Six, it has clarified things. We at Melrose attracted many players from outside to the club because

of the standard of coaching and our success on the pitch especially in the sixties and nineties, when we had a golden generation of players who played at the highest level. We need to continue to instil a sense of excellence, a pathway for all players to achieve their potential. This might be the 1XV or the Storm - that's ok, all players don't have to aspire to be internationalists! Rugby is much more than the sum of its parts - it's about creating lasting friendships, camaraderie, and being part of a team.

BM: What have been the challenges and highlights as Chair?

George: There have been more challenges than highlights! Dealing with the aftermath of Covid has been tough - think of the club as a machine that we had to get started again after a period of dormancy. Behaviours have changed - people got out of the habit of coming down to support the teams. I think the Super Six divided us, both from the Borders and within the club. A lot of this was down folk not relating to the name Southern Knights. What actually happened was that the club took on running an extra team, for 12 months of the year. Andy Purves uses the term 'over-trading' - we put an enormous amount of pressure on our dedicated, but limited, band of volunteers, and on the balance sheet.

BM: But surely Melrose Rugby must be rolling in money after the successful Sevens weekend?

George: There is a myth about the wealth of Melrose Rugby. The club turns over about a million pounds a year, but half of that comes in one weekend in April. We are totally dependent on the Sevens to be able to balance the books. As a business, this is an ultra-high-risk strategy. And the daily running of the club is, to say the least, challenging. As an example, the heating/light/power bill is over £3,500 each month. Buses to take players to away matches can cost us upwards of £1,000. And contrary to popular belief, we spend most of our money on rugby... coaches, kit and equipment, meals, pitch hire from Live Borders. But with that, over 300 local





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kids turn up for training every week between rugby and football, The Greenyards is buzzing most nights of the week.

BM: And what have been the highlights?

George: I would say the Melrose Sevens. Getting it re-started two years ago from a standing start that January, introducing the Hall of Fame event on the Thursday, and this year the Women in Sport Awards, I think the Sevens weekend has shown what we can achieve as a club.

BM: So, tell us how the Board believes the club should progress.

George: The Greenyards needs investment. When you think of Melrose, you think of Melrose Abbey, Trimontium, Abbotsford House and The Greenyards. The pavilion was built in 1924, with one purpose - as a rugby club, for men. We need to make it fit for purpose as a modern community sports facility, a community hub for the town and its catchment area, and a place to highlight its rich rugby heritage. As well, we need funding to enable us to provide the pathway for future generations of boys and girls. But to raise this kind of investment, we need to attract a significant amount of funding. We believe that setting up an overarching Charitable Trust will enable us to get access to these funds. In collaboration with Melrose Football Club and Scottish Borders Council, we are currently looking at setting up such a charity. Other rugby clubs have been successful in doing this - for instance Biggar and Stirling. If Abbotsford and Trimontium can do it, I see no reason why we can't.

BM: And a Community Hub?

George: Yes, we need to make The Greenyards more accessible to others in the community and catchment area. We can put on successful events when we need to, like Doddie's Memorial Service, and different charity fundraisers. We are first and foremost a rugby club, but the development of The Greenyards gives us an opportunity to make a significant impact by creating a hub with facilities which we can share with other clubs and organisations in the community.

BM: You've mentioned a 'Club Reset' - can you explain what this means?

George: Bottom line, we need to implement a sustainable financial model. We've done a lot of work this past year on our finances. Now with clarity around the Super Six, we need a structure that supports a different model. And we have to somehow de-risk our dependency on the Sevens. A 'reset' also means changing our culture. We have to be more welcoming, more diverse and inclusive, and to make ourselves more attractive both from a rugby and community perspective. Society has changed so we must adapt but remain loyal to our values. To function we need the support of volunteers. Over this past year we have seen our loyal, committed, hard-working band of volunteers increase, but we need to attract more who would be interested in joining the Board and the Management Team.

BM: And Melrose Sevens?

George: We've now had three events since Covid and as I said before, the Sevens Team have done a fantastic job. They are currently reviewing the feedback, looking what went well and what could be improved with the format of the event going forward. But whatever way you look at it, it's a massive undertaking for a town the size of Melrose. I had friends staying for the weekend from Ilkley Rugby Club and they were blown away by the scale of the event and the professionalism of the organisation. We beat ourselves up a lot, but we do get many things right.

BM: So, as you sail into the sunset, any parting messages?

George: We have some super people at the club, and I am starting to see the next generation getting involved. All rugby clubs have their highs and lows and 'mediocres'. I'd like to think we're coming out of a 'low' and positioning ourselves for success, both as a rugby club and as a focal point for the community. I have seven grandchildren who are very active in a variety of sports including, swimming, football, gymnastics and of course rugby. I will also be 72 this year and the time is now right to hand over the baton.

BM: Thank you George, best wishes to yourself and Helen.



MELROSE SEVENS 20



As the heavens opened, nothing could dampen the spirits of the enthusiastic crowd gathered at the Greenyards over the second weekend of April.

This year's Sevens tournament was a resounding success, filled with memorable moments both on and off the field.



The festivities commenced on Thursday at the Jackson Distillers Hall of Fame Dinner, where rugby legends Carl Hogg, Arthur 'Hovis' Brown and Ross McCann were inducted into the Melrose Sevens Hall of Fame.

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Friday started with a rugby clinic hosted by our friends at Merchiston Castle School, followed by the Queen Bees Tournament, where the Melrose Queen Bees secured the runner-up position amidst fierce competition.

Melrose emerged victorious in the Under 16s Drummond Cup, while Peebles Cotts triumphed in the Under 18s Jim Telfer Cup.

The inaugural Hong Kong Shield was claimed by the Melrose U18 Wasps, adding an international flavour to the tournament.



Melrose Sevens
@Melrose7s



Amidst the rugby action, Friday evening saw a remarkable milestone with the first Celebration of Women in Sport event. Over 300 guests gathered in the VIP tent to honour over 40 female nominees from various sports across the region.



MELROSE SEVENS 2024

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On Saturday, thousands flocked to the Greenyards.

Shogun Rugby emerged as the double victors, claiming both the 1883 Centenary Cup AND the Mike Bleasdale Cup, demonstrating their dominance on the field.



The GoFibre Food Village buzzed with activity throughout the day. Meanwhile, the Doddie Club and VIP areas were humming with excitement, providing a premium experience for rugby enthusiasts.

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MELROSE SEVENS

THE HOME OF RUGBY SEVENS

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The return of the BBC to the Greenyards after the hiatus imposed by the pandemic added to the sense of occasion, capturing the thrilling moments for viewers near and far.



Melrose Sevens once again proved why it holds a special place in the hearts of rugby enthusiasts worldwide.



MELROSE SEVENS ARCHIVE

50 YEARS AGO...

The 1974 FINAL

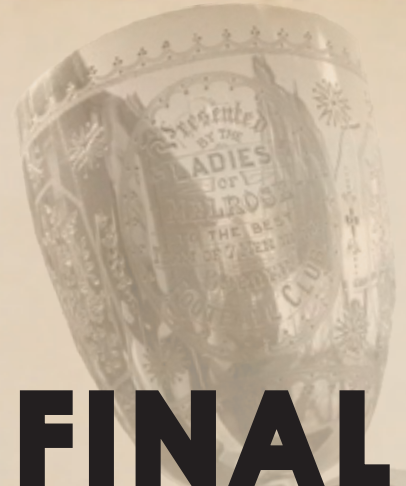


Jed-forest team: Back, left to right:
W. Robson, W. Turnbull, D. Hill,
R. Lindores. **Front, left - right:**
R. Mason, G. Turnbull, R. Laidlaw.

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Roy Laidlaw



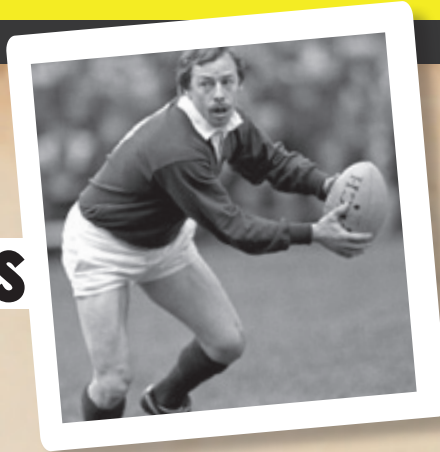
THE amalgamation of Daniel Stewart's College and Melville College gave rise to a formidable unit of rugby talent playing under the banner of Stewart's Melville F.P. RFC.

JED-FOREST	32
STEWART'S MELVILLE	6

In their first season at Melrose managed wins over Loughborough, Hawick and Glasgow High to reach the final. Unfortunately, they had no answer to a Jed-forest side that had seen off West of Scotland, Melrose and Heriots. In a one-sided final Jed sped out to a 22 - 0 half-time lead and finished 32 - 6 winners. Many of the Edinburgh players would find themselves winners five years later in 1979.



ROY LAIDLAW & ROBBIE LINDORES'S MEMORIES OF THE 1974 FINAL



IF YOU ASK anybody within a family that has lived in Jedburgh for fifty years and more to comment on what Roy Laidlaw is all about, the common thread would be his late wife Joy and family, together with friendships, and that he is a Jed man through and through. Roy has Alzheimer's now and he is tackling that in the same way he commits himself to his family, friends and home town.

When asked to recall some memorable moments from Jed's victory in 1974, it wasn't surprising that he focused on the players in his seven-man squad and other people involved in preparing and supporting them. Roy proudly stated that, "We were seven young players, who lived in Jed and were out to do our best for the club. Six of the players (Robbie Lindores, Billy Robson, Perry Mason, Derek Hill, George Turnbull and myself) lived in the same housing estate, known locally as, 'Up the Hill'. The seventh player, Billy Turnbull, was a police officer, transferred from Hawick into Jed."

"Seven local players, our coach, Charlie Murdoch and sponge man, George (Podge) Somerville, taking on teams that were sprinkled with District and International players." "Beating Melrose, Heriots and Stewarts Melville on the way to lifting the Melrose Sevens trophy was pretty special and the party, put on by the late Dr Balfour in his house that evening, was a good way to round-off a great day."

Dr Balfour's name comes up in Robbie Lindore's memories of the day. Robbie was the youngest member of the squad, at 19 years old. Robbie explained, "I injured my knee and had to come off early in the second-half during the semi-final against Heriots. That left us with six players for the rest of the tie. I'm pretty sure that our hooker, Billy Robson, intercepted a pass and ran from his own half to score the winning try."

"I can't remember what the 'Doc' did to get me back on the field for the final but, whatever it was, it worked. Internationalists Dougie Morgan and Ian Forsyth were in the Stewarts Melville seven, who we were up against in the final. I just remember it being a great atmosphere, with us playing with passion and a hunger to win. George Turnbull and myself scored two tries each and I think Billy Turnbull scored one".

"What a great feeling it was to lift the Melrose Sevens trophy for Jed"

MEMORIES OF 1974 BY IAN W FORSYTH (STEWARTS MELVILLE)

I FIRST played in the Melrose Sevens in 1965 for Stewart's FP as an 18-year-old, reaching the semi-final, and I remember well the tremendous atmosphere which the huge crowd created, particularly when a Borders team was playing.

It was no surprise then when Stewart's Melville reached the final in 1974, in our first Borders tournament, and faced Jed-Forest that the crowd was very much behind Jed. Jed played in the first tie of the day, beating West of Scotland and Melrose easily before a narrow win over Heriots in the semi-final. We played the last tie of the first round, overcoming Loughborough College easily before hard fought wins against Hawick and then Glasgow High in the second semi-final. Despite the shorter rest we felt confident we could beat Jed, but we were blown away in the first half by a very committed Jed side who, when we had possession, harried us and tackled like dervishes, never letting us get into our stride. Conversely when Jed had the ball, they made much better use of it, with George Turnbull outstanding, although in truth it was a great team effort.

Jed thoroughly deserved their win, their first at Melrose for 70 years, a win much enjoyed by the crowd. We contested two more finals, in 1976 and 1978, losing both before we eventually triumphed in 1979.



SUPER SERIES RUGBY

SPRINTSQUAD

FORWARDS

MICHAEL BADENHORST
Musselburgh RFC

MARCUS BROGAN
Hawick RFC

DYLAN COCKBURN
Melrose Rugby

CALUM CROOKSHANKS
Melrose Rugby

JACK DOBIE
Melrose Rugby

ALLAN FERRIE
Newton Stewart RFC

WILLIAM FERRIE
Newton Stewart RFC

DAN GAMBLE (vc)
Kelso RFC

MONROE JOB ©
Selkirk RFC

ANGUS MCGREGOR
Kelso RFC

MARCUS RHODES
Durham University

ANGUS RUNCIMAN
Melrose Rugby

FINLAY SCOTT
Jed-Forest RFC

BOBBY SINGER
Northumbria University

ZEN SZWAGRZAK
Selkirk RFC

GARRY YOUNG
Jed-Forest RFC

BACKS

ROLY BRETT
Melrose Rugby

ROBBIE CHALMERS
Melrose Rugby

JEREMY CIVIL
Tynedale RFC

CALLUM DAVIDSON
Carrickfergus Rugby Club

MARK GLEN
Jed-Forest RFC

EWAN GREENLAW
Peterlee & Horden RFC

CALLUM GRIEVE
Durham University

ADAM HALL
Melrose Rugby

GREGOR McNEISH (vc)
Dunfermline RFC

ETHAN McVICKER
Lasswade RFC

PATRICK RITCHIE
Stewart's Melville Rugby Club

SANDY WATT
Musselburgh RFC

ROSS WOLFENDEN
Peebles RFC

PRO-ACADEMY ALIGNED PLAYERS

ISSAC COATES
Merchiston Castle School

FREDDY DOUGLAS
Stewart's Melville College

FINN DOUGLAS
Melrose Rugby

HARRI MORRIS
Melrose Rugby

HECTOR PATTERSON
Jed-Thistle RFC

COACHES

SCOTT WIGHT
Attack Coach

IAIN CHISHOLM
Defence Coach

JAMES HEAD
Forwards Coach

ROB MOFFAT
Head of Rugby



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SPONSOR A
KNIGHT!

JACK
DOBIE

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2024 SPRINT



FIXTURES

 EDINBURGH EST-1872 A	19-54 19 APRIL GREENYARDS
SATURDAY 27 APRIL 3:00PM GREENYARDS	
 WATSONIANS RUGBY	SATURDAY 4 MAY 5:00PM GREENYARDS
SATURDAY 18 MAY 3:00PM MILLBRAE	
 HERIOT'S RUGBY	SATURDAY 25 MAY 3:00PM GOLDENACRE
FRIDAY 31 MAY 7:35PM GREENYARDS	 STIRLING WOLVES



PLAY-OFFS (TBC): 7 & 8 JUNE



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MINIS & YOUTH RUGBY

YOUTH UPDATE

CHARLOTTE MIDFORD INTERVIEWS PAUL WHEATLEY



AS PROMISED last month, we've got an interview with the new Melrose Rugby Board member Paul Wheatley. As Paul's area of Board responsibility will be the Youth section, it's great to be able to bring you a bit more about the man you may know as 'Teamo-Paul'.

CM: Paul, thank you for taking the time to sit with me to answer some questions to help our readers get to know a bit more about you and your aims for the club. Just to start off, can you tell us a bit about your rugby journey?

Paul: Well, my rugby journey isn't necessarily conventional, my family didn't play, though they would have watched the 6-Nations (or 5 as was). We were however big NFL fans, and well rugby was the closest thing I could find in the Borders to NFL! I started playing when an English lad, who had joined my school (Earlston), and got together a team for the Crichton Cup, I think it was the first time Earlston had been in the Crichton – at least in recent times. At that time there were other Crichton Cups, with ones in Newton St Boswells, St Boswells and other places. I can still remember my first competitive try, in a game at St Boswells.

Then at high-school I didn't play so much, partly because I didn't fit in all that well with the rugby crowd I guess. Later however, I came back to playing, and played socially in Edinburgh and then for Earlston until a broken rib shortly followed by a bust Achilles signaled it was time to call it a day.

CM: So, what has brought you to being a coach and as well as being so involved in organizational aspect?

Paul: Well, the coaching started during COVID when we decided rugby would suit Gus, my son. He was a wee bit reluctant at first, and so I started coaching, with the idea being that if I was on the pitch he might settle in. It just went from there.

In terms of Youth Committee and now the Board, well I guess I just like organizing stuff and being involved, My IT skills come in quite useful as well.

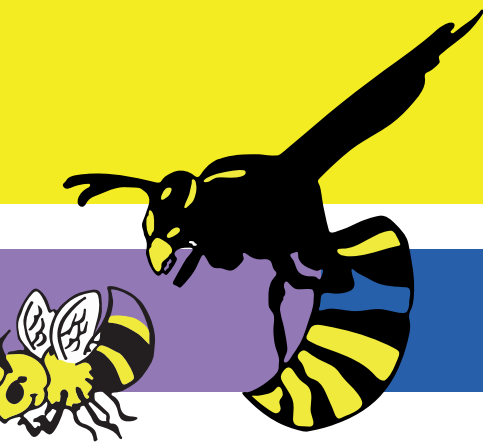
CM: Has your own experience had any impact on your approach to the kids and coaching?

Paul: Yes, it definitely has. It's a factor in why I see inclusivity as so central. There were definitely aspects of the approach to coaching back in the day that weren't great and didn't necessarily work to encourage players to develop their skills – sometimes a bit too much of chuck the ball to the biggest and let him deal with it. Like so many have noticed, that can win in the short term, but doesn't really help the big guy or the others get any better. Nowadays, as many parents will have noticed, sports coaching has moved on and hopefully it's a better experience for all.

CM: I've heard you're a bit of an advocate for 'the Melrose Way' in coaching?

Paul: Absolutely – Cheg [Iain Chisholm] can explain it. Rugby is a great sport for all – there are jobs for everyone, the big lads, the whippets on the wings, and so on. With the Melrose way, you work on developing the skills across the piece, with everyone involved, and the kids





benefit. For example, with the young Hornets, different kids come on in different ways. There are a few that you see really getting good at a particular skill – but in terms of game awareness or why you do a particular thing in a game – it's not there yet. With other ones it can be the other way about. Some already really want to win – some just want to kick the ball as hard as possible off anywhere! The main thing is: we want the kids to have a go, be positive, get involved, be great teammates, try their hardest and, most importantly, play with a smile on their face and have FUN!! There is plenty of time when they're older to worry about winning and losing. For now, we just want them to enjoy playing and feel proud of themselves & the club they are representing.

CM: Is there anything you find particularly hard about coaching?

Paul: I guess coaching my own son, I think that's something that most parent-coaches suffer from, so we can work out strategies to help each other out.

CM: So, back to the organizational side of things, what do you hope to achieve in the new role?

Paul: One thing I'd like to work on is bringing more families to senior match days, really help foster that one club ethos. I've a few ideas in this space, like a tuck shop, more frequent guard of honour, or half-time games like you see a lot in the States. Hopefully, this will then flow through, the youth grow up to be seniors and people are part of the club in different ways over time and we're all part of something. Of course, it's something that'll be a collective effort, but I want to play my part.

CM: Sounds great, as we've reported in last month's Rose, there's been great feedback on events where the kids have had contact with the first VX. Is there anything else, perhaps a challenge you'd like to address?

Paul: Probably transparency and communication would be one challenge. There are lots of people who say they don't really know how the club fits together, or aren't sure who to go to for what, or how decisions are made. I think I can help here, for example help bring a data-based approach to decision making, and use this to in improving communication with members and parents.

Alongside this analytical angle, I also want to be approachable and through this get help communication and sharing. My email is simply paul@melroserugby.org and anyone is welcome to get in touch with anything to do with Melrose Rugby – if I can't help, I'll point them to the right

place. As well as the email, people are equally welcome to catch me when they see me around the club.

CM: Thanks for your time Paul – that was a really interesting chat.

Finally, the other organisers are looking for volunteers to help on **Crichton Cup** day. Old hands or newbies, all are welcome – as Paul's story shows, it is a great event to get involved with. If you can help, please just respond to one of the call messages, or let a coaches or parent-volunteer know. We'll be back in May,

with news on the Crichton Cup, P4 Tour and much more.



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MINIS & YOUTH RUGBY

IT'S been a busy month for our Minis and Youth teams, here are some pictorial highlights...



U13 winners of the South Schools Sevens.



Queen Bees at the Hive for Scotland v France.



P7 winners at Dalziel.



P6 third place at Dalziel.



P3 at Selkirk.



**SAT
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THE 103rd CRICHTON CUP








**FREE
ENTRY
TO SOUTHERN
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KO 5PM**



**Wasps from 9:15am
Hornets & Queen Bees from 13:45pm**



-  All Welcome
-  BBQ
-  Coffee Inc
-  Tuck Shop / Home Baking
-  Stalls (inc Tombola)



Sign up by 28th April via Melrose Rugby Teamo App
or by emailing paul@melroserugby.org

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GREENYARDS
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MEMBERS CORNER

DATES

for the

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SATURDAY
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MINIS & YOUTH
CRICHTON CUP 2024

SUPER SERIES SPRINT
SOUTHERN KNIGHTS
V WATSONIANS
5:00PM

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JULY **AUGUST**

MINIS & YOUTH
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His Grace the Duke of Buccleuch

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- Dr. G. Wilson



OUR BARS WILL BE OPEN ON GAME DAYS SERVING FOOD & DRINK!

WASPS

YOUTH RUGBY

TRAINING

S1, S2, S3 MONDAY
4-5PM EARLSTON HIGH SCHOOL

S1, S2, S3 WEDNESDAY
4-5PM EARLSTON HIGH SCHOOL

U16 & U18 TUES & THURS
5:30 - 7PM MELROSE RUGBY

S1-U18
COME & TRY!

HORNETS

MINIS RUGBY

TRAINING 9:30AM
SUNDAY MORNINGS

NURSERY-P1 • P2
P3 • P4 • P5 • P6 • P7
THE GREENYARDS

NURSERY & P1 - P7
BOYS & GIRLS

QUEEN BEES

GIRLS RUGBY

TRAINING

SUNDAY 9:30 - 10:30AM
THE GREENYARDS

WEDNESDAY 6-7PM
EARLSTON RUGBY CLUB

U12, U14, U16 GIRLS
COME & TRY!





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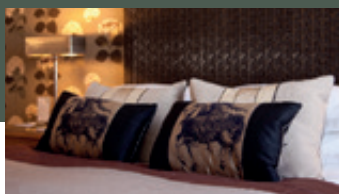


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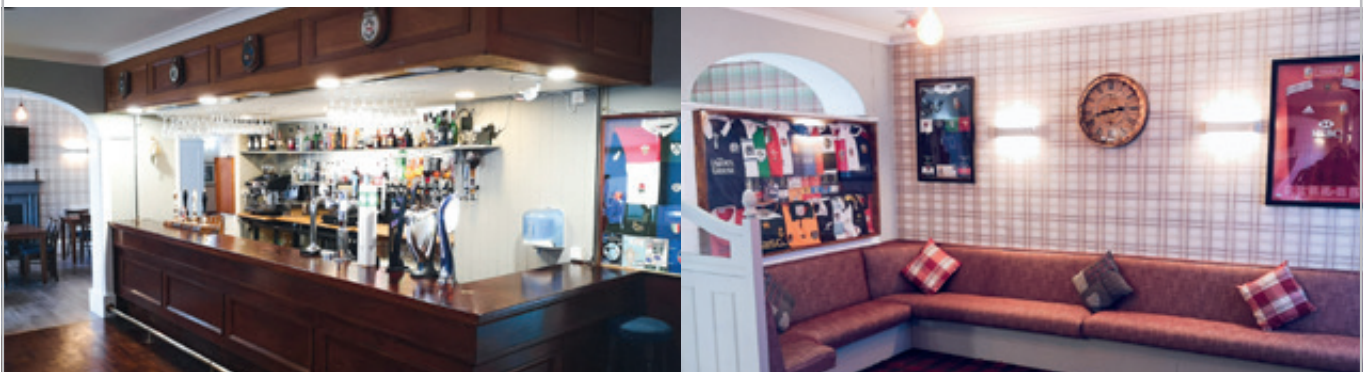
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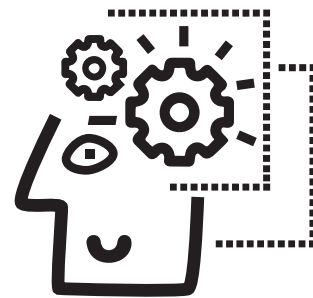




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