



**Brentwood Elvers RLFC
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Autumn Newsletter

Hello to all our members. I am writing to you with details of the new season at Brentwood Elvers RLFC and with other exciting news. Please have a read through and let us have your thoughts on what promises to be another busy year.

Home ground

We are happy to announce that we have agreed a deal with the council to allow us to play home games on the land at the back of Holly Trees school. The club are providing posts and other matchday equipment and we hope to move into our new home in early February 2008. We shall call the ground 'The Wreck'!

Pre-season

Players are invited to attend a series of fitness and game knowledge sessions from Saturday 1st December at Holly Trees Primary School between 9.30-11am. Players are able to register with the club and gain valuable opportunities to both increase fitness and stamina and learn the rules of the game in some depth. The club will be offering a certificate to all those who complete the match rules exam at the beginning of January. It is recommended that **all players** attend the courses on 1st, 8th and 15th December if at all possible.

Age groups

In preparation for the London Junior League season, training will initially begin for U12, U14 and U16 teams. We are lining up a new U16s coach to replace Steve Felgate and Mick Ettridge. They will train and play between December and May. We intend to run teams at U9 and U11 between March and July but will be in touch with news nearer the time.

Subs/ Membership

This year, the subs will be **£40** for the season. As usual, this fee covers player insurance, league registration, coaching, match fees and some transport. I am sure you will agree that this is another very competitive fee. Subs are due to be settled in full on registration, although arrangement can be made through Lesley Watts our treasurer to pay in installements.

Fundraising

As Christmas gets near and you start thinking about buying gifts for family and friends, why not raise some money for the club at the same time? By clicking on the easyfunding.org.uk link from the front page of the club website, you can register and make purchases online. The club receives donations from your purchases at no extra cost to yourselves. You will be surprised at just how many high street stores are available, and it's so easy to shop in the comfort of your own home! Happy shopping.

Committee

The following people have been elected to represent the members of the club:

1. Miles Chapman – Chairman
2. Phil Abbott - Secretary
3. Lesley Watts – Treasurer
4. Jan Swift – Child protection and club welfare officer
5. Andy Preston – Player and coach development manager
6. Andrea Chapman – Fixtures and minutes secretary
7. Alistair Johnston and Jo Durowse – Committee members

Kind Regards,

Phil Abbott
Secretary

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