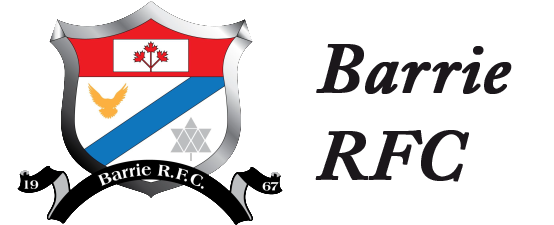
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**Mini Rugby Program**

**AGE GROUPS REGISTRATION FEE BIRTH YEARS**

Under 6 $175 2010 or later

Under 8 $225 2008 and 2009

Under 10 $225 2006 and 2007

Under 12 $250 2005 and 2004

All teams are co-ed. The U6, U8 and U10 teams all play non-contact flag rugby where tackles are made by pulling a flag attached to the player’s waist. The U12 play a semi-contact game.

No prior experience is needed. Kids who have never played before are not at a significant disadvantage and catch up fairly quickly. Our coaches are qualified, dedicated and focused on ensuring each child has a positive rugby experience.

**WHAT DO THE FEES COVER?**

* Approximately $25 paid to Rugby Ontario membership and player insurance
* Approximately $30 paid to Rugby Canada membership and player insurance
* Remainder of fees:
  + Players kit: sublimated jersey, shorts, socks
  + Field rental and associated costs (City of Barrie)
  + Team equipment: balls, pinnies, pylons, bags, etc
  + Referees
  + Nominal fee for use of online registration tool

**FIELD PRACTICES**

* Monday and Wednesday, 6:30pm – 8:00pm (1.5 hours per practice)
* The U6, U8, U10 and U12 all practice at Barrie Sports Complex.
* Barrie Sports Complex (BSC) field 1 (this is located close to Midhurst)
* Field practices run all through May and June, we break for July and restart practices at the beginning of August through to the final tournament which is Ontario Provincials in Markham.

**RUGBY CLINICS**

The Coaches are hoping to book a school gym for the month of April and run coaching clinics to introduce new players to rugby and get returning players warmed up for the upcoming season. There will be an additional cost for this but it will be nominal and just enough to cover the cost of the gym. We will communicate to parents by email as soon as we know if we have been able to secure the gym.

**TOURNAMENTS**

Teams compete in rugby ‘festivals’ throughout the summer on select weekends. Unlike typical sport tournaments, rugby festivals:

* Have 3 games maximum; no playoffs or championship games on top of this
* Take place in the morning and end in early afternoon (typically 8am – 9am start; 12pm – 1pm finish)
* 7 on 7 format
* Games are 30 minutes in length (15 minute halves, 5 minute halftime)

It is our policy that participation in each and every festival is not mandatory for the players as summer can be a busy time. We do however encourage the kids take part in as many festivals as possible as the live game situations really improves their experience and rugby skills.

We ask that the parents/guardians email or call their coach before Wednesday’s practice with their availability for that weekend’s festival so that the coach can set his or her roster accordingly. If enough players are attending then we will enter multiple teams to ensure lots of playing time for each player.

U8, U10 & U12 generally attend the same festivals as this promotes a greater sense of club friendship building and for parents of children belonging to 2 or more teams to be with their children on the festival day. The U6’s are not catered for at the majority of tournaments as they are considered a little young to play in live game situations. They still play games at practice so don’t miss out on the fun!

**RUGBY FESTIVAL SCHEDULE (U8, U10, U12)**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Date** | **Location** | **U8** | **U10** | **U12** |
| May 28 | Burlington | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| June 5 | Markham | No | Yes | Yes |
| June 19 | Toronto | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| June 25 | Hamilton | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| July 9 | Collingwood | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Aug 20 | Guelph | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Aug 27 | Markham | Yes | Yes | Yes |

Carpooling/shared travelling is usually arranged at Wednesday’s practice. We do not need to stay overnight as these are only 1/2 day festivals.

**OUR COACHES**

Under 6 Head Coach Clark Larmon

Contact details: [clark.larmon@gmail.com](mailto:clark.larmon@gmail.com)

Under 8 Head Coach Todd Larmon

Contact details: 705.718-8106; [tlarmon@scdsb.on.ca](mailto:tlarmon@scdsb.on.ca)

Experience & Credentials World Rugby Certified Level 1 Coach

2015 – Barrie RFC U8 Coach

2014 – Barrie RFC U6 Coach

2013 – Barrie RFC U6 Coach

2012 – Barrie RFC U6 Coach

Former Barrie RFC Womens coach

High School Boys Rugby coach 1999-present

Under 10 Head Coach - Andrew Davies

Contact details: 705.984 9745; [diddy\_davies@hotmail.com](mailto:diddy_davies@hotmail.com)

Experience & Credentials World Rugby Certified Level 1 Coach

Bahamas National Rugby Team Coach

2015 – Barrie RFC U10 Coach

U12 Head Coaches – Craig Mitton and Matt Hexemer

Contact details: [cmitton@craigattachments.com](mailto:cmitton@craigattachments.com) & [matt@jackknifedesign.com](mailto:matt@jackknifedesign.com)

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ANY OF THE COACHES DIRECTLY IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE REGISTERING YOUR CHILD. THEY ARE THERE TO HELP.

**HOW DO I REGISTER?**

*Just follow these easy directions!*

Go to the Barrie Rugby Club website at [www.barrierugbyclub.com](http://www.barrierugbyclub.com) and select “Teams” from the drop down Menu, then select Youth and finally your age group. Scroll down the screen and click on the blue box marked “Register Now”. When you click on this link it will take you to the Rugby Canada registration system, if this is your first time registering your child for rugby you will need to set up your own account with Rugby Canada which is easy enough to follow. Once you have set up your account you need to enter the parent contact details, emergency contact details and some basic information about your child. If you have more than one child you can enter them all under one account.

Once your child’s information is entered you select them for actual registration. The system takes you through a few information request screens until you get to a screen where you select the type of Membership you want. On this screen select the full “Athlete Membership” option. At the bottom of this screen click both the Minor Rugby Player options. This covers your child’s Membership fee for Rugby Canada of $30 (please note this is included in the fee we charge above, it is not an additional fee). Click Continue at the bottom of the screen and the next screen it takes you to is the Provincial Membership section where you select Minor Rugby Player again. This is your child’s provincial membership fee for Ontario Rugby of $25.35 (once again this is included in the fee we charge above, it is not an additional fee).

Click on Continue and it takes you to the Club Fee option and you select the age your child is playing. Next page you sign the electronic waiver and then hot Continue. You get one final screen that allows you to make any changes you want to and then you check out to your shopping cart and make the payment by credit card. Once this is done you should receive a confirmation email that you registered successfully. If you have more than one child you have to follow this process for each child.

It sound a bit convoluted but once you are in the system it is intuitive enough.

**ORDERING YOUR CHILDS RUGBY KIT**

*As soon as* you have registered and paid for your child please order your kit by following the directions provided on the separate kit ordering directions form. In order to get your kit customised with your child’s name you need to register and order the kit before April 15, 2016 or we cannot guarantee the shirt will have your child’s name on the back.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

* Inclement weather policy: The City of Barrie makes the decision as to whether the fields are playable on each day when weather is poor; parents can call this hotline **705.739-4215** to find out if the rugby practice is cancelled or not.
* No practice or game will occur if active lightening is present, practice will be stopped early if this happens during practice
* Parents can also check ***www. barrierugbyclub.com*** or call their coach
* New flag belts/flags $10-$15 and training balls $15-$20 will be available for purchase (still sourcing costs) at practices in May
* You should probably buy your child a light pair of cleats (soccer cleats are fine). They don’t have to use them but they do help with grip when changing direction at speed.
* At practice then can wear normal t-shirts and shorts, they do not need to wear their rugby kit unless they want to.
* Make sure your child brings cold water to practice, we run alot so they need it.