



## Next Fixture

8th November 2025

At Bloxwich RFC  
KO 2:15pm

## Players Court

6th December 2025

Watch out for more info  
on the Players  
Whatsapp Group

## Club

## Xmas Party

20th December 2025

Holly Jolly Night!

### Function Room For Hire

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### Men's Contact Training

Mondays & Wednesdays

@ 7.30pm

### Mixed Touch Training

Thursdays @ 7.30pm

### TOUR



### UPDATE

A date for tour has been decided.  
Put it in you calendar

**8<sup>th</sup> May - 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026.**

**Destination : Burnham on Sea**

**Theme : Pirates**

**Virgin's Theme : Wenches**

Book your place - Pay a £25 non  
returnable deposit by end of  
December.

Total cost £200

You can also save so much a  
month towards the cost - have a  
chat to Andy Lyndon about a  
saving scheme.

**One Club. One Tour. One Family**

**31st December 2025**

BYOB

Intrigued?

Watch this space



# ESSINGTON RUFC NEWSLETTER

November 2025



*Santa's Coming!*

**To ERUFC'S**   
**Christmas Fayre!**

*Sunday 14th December*

*10:00-15:00*

**Book your visit  
to Santa's Grotto!**



**Hot Food and Drinks  
Craft Stalls  
Tombola  
Personalised Items**

**ESSINGTON RUGBY CLUB, HIGH HILL, ESSINGTON, WV11 2DW**

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/essington-rugby-club>

## Season Kick-Off: A Promising Start for Essington Rugby

The new rugby season is underway, and Essington have already shown plenty of spirit and excitement on the pitch.

Pre-season preparations began with a visit from touring side Leigh, where Essington put in a solid performance to claim a 31-24 win. Confidence grew further in the following warm-up match against Penkidge, a thrilling high-scoring encounter that ended 50-40 in Essington's favour — with Ross crossing the line three times for a superb hat-trick.

The first competitive fixture was set to be an Owen Cup clash against Wednesbury, but unfortunately, the game was abandoned after a serious injury to one of the Wednesbury players. Both clubs agreed that the Cup tie would be played during their next league meeting in October — winner takes all!

The league season officially began with a tough match against a strong Whitchurch 2nds side. Despite a committed effort, the team went down 22-51, learning valuable lessons to take forward. The following week saw a determined response away at Stafford, where Essington travelled light on substitutes but delivered an impressive 27-34 victory.

Momentum continued to build as Linley visited Essington in the next fixture. The home side put on a dominant display, running in tries from all over the park to secure a remarkable 83-10 win, with Jesse bagging a well-deserved hat-trick.

The rearranged Owen Cup “winner-take-all” match was played alongside the league fixture against Wednesbury. In a competitive and physical contest, it was Wednesbury who ultimately took the prize, edging out Essington to claim the Cup.

The next scheduled match saw Essington awarded a Home Walkover (HWO) against Stoke, adding points to the league tally. To make the most of the weekend, a friendly fixture against Shrewsbury 2nds was arranged as a replacement — a lively and open game in which Essington put in plenty of effort but were beaten 24-55 by a strong visiting side.

Off the field, there's been change and new energy as Coach Steve takes over where Bommer left off. Early signs are positive, with good numbers attending training and enthusiasm building. However, Steve is keen to see everyone getting involved — regular training together will be vital for improving team cohesion and performance as the season progresses.

It's been an eventful and encouraging start to the season, with plenty of promise for what's ahead. The blend of experience and new energy in the squad is clearly taking shape — and with several big games still to come, Essington will be looking to build on their early momentum.

**NEXT FIXTURE BLOXWICH AWAY - 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

2025-2026											
COUNTIES 4 MIDLANDS WEST (NORTH) OF MIDLANDS DIVISION											
Pos.	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	DIF	B PTS	TOT	ADJ
1	Whitchurch II	5	5	0	0	294	51	243	5	25	0
2	Bloxwich	5	4	0	1	256	53	203	5	21	0
3	Newcastle (Staffs) III	5	4	0	1	170	128	42	4	20	0
4	Essington	5	3	0	2	150	122	28	3	16	0
5	Wednesbury	5	3	0	2	169	136	33	3	15	0
6	Telford Hornets II	5	3	0	2	97	160	-63	2	15	0
7	Burntwood II	5	2	0	3	155	119	36	5	13	0
8	Stafford II	5	2	0	3	122	195	-73	4	12	0
9	Aldridge	5	1	0	4	113	233	-120	2	6	0
10	Linley	5	1	0	4	79	235	-156	1	5	0
11	Stoke on Trent II	5	2	0	3	82	81	1	2	0	-10
12	Trentham II	5	0	0	5	39	213	-174	0	0	0



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**MONDAY – FRIDAY**

**9am - 3pm**

**SATURDAY**

**9am – 2pm**

**CLOSED SUNDAY**

**Essington Community Centre  
Hobnock Road, Essington WV11 2RF**

Find us on Social media: search [@the1911cafe](#)

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## **First Aid Team Expands**

Essington are pleased to announce that we now have six new fully trained first aiders! A huge thank you goes out to Phil, Wil, Sam, Molly, Sophie, and Rhia, who all gave up their Sunday to complete the training – and all successfully passed.

They will join Liv, our dedicated First Aid Coordinator, who has done an excellent job managing some difficult injuries. Having this expanded support team in place ensures our players are in safe hands during training and on match days.

Coach Steve added his thanks:

“I would like to say thanks for the first aid support we’ve had on match days. The team has shown great diligence and care in looking after our players.”

### **WHO AM I?**

Last Months Quiz

**I WAS BORN IN YEOVIL. I'M A WORLD CUP  
WINNER. I'VE ALSO PLAYED SEVENS FOR MY  
COUNTRY. I'M A PLUMBER BY TRADE. WHO AM I?**

Answer: Marlie Packer

Winner is James H

 **JUNIOR RUGBY IS HERE!** 

# JUNIOR RUGBY!

**GIVE RUGBY A TRY!**

**Sunday Mornings**

**10am -11am**

**No Cost**

**Age: 14-18**

**School Years 10, 11, 12, 13**

**First Session 12th October!**

**AT ESSINGTON RUGBY CLUB  
HIGH HILL, ESSINGTON, WV11 2DW**



Calling all aspiring rugby players aged 14-18! Essington Rugby Club is excited to launch Junior Rugby every Sunday morning, 10-11am!

**⚡ FREE** to join, including a **FREE Junior Membership!**

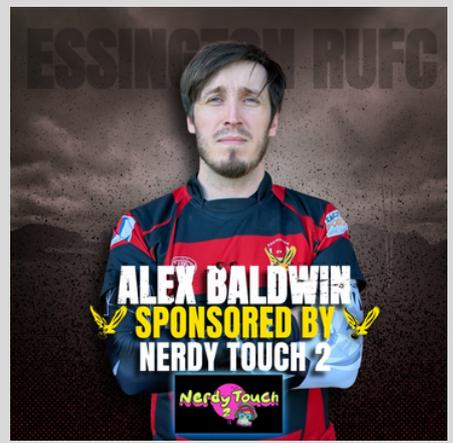
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**📍** Essington Rugby Club,  
High Hill, Essington, WV11  
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It's the perfect chance to learn the game, get fit, and make new friends in a supportive environment. No experience needed - just bring your enthusiasm!

## SPONSORED!





When you see our sponsors mentioned online, give them a 👍, comment, or tag — it shows them their support really matters!

## Support the Club – Sponsor a Player or Become a Club Partner!

Essington RUFC is proud to have several players already sponsored for the season — a huge thank you to those businesses and individuals showing their support! Player sponsorship is a fantastic way to get involved with the club and help our teams both on and off the field.

For just £100, you can sponsor a player and have your name or business promoted across our social media channels throughout the season. It's a great opportunity to raise your profile, support grassroots sport, and show your connection to the Essington rugby community.

We also offer a range of club sponsorship packages — Gold, Silver, and Bronze — each offering different levels of visibility and benefits, including social media coverage, matchday exposure, and branding opportunities around the club.

Do you know a local business that might be interested in sponsoring the club or a player? We'd love to hear from you!

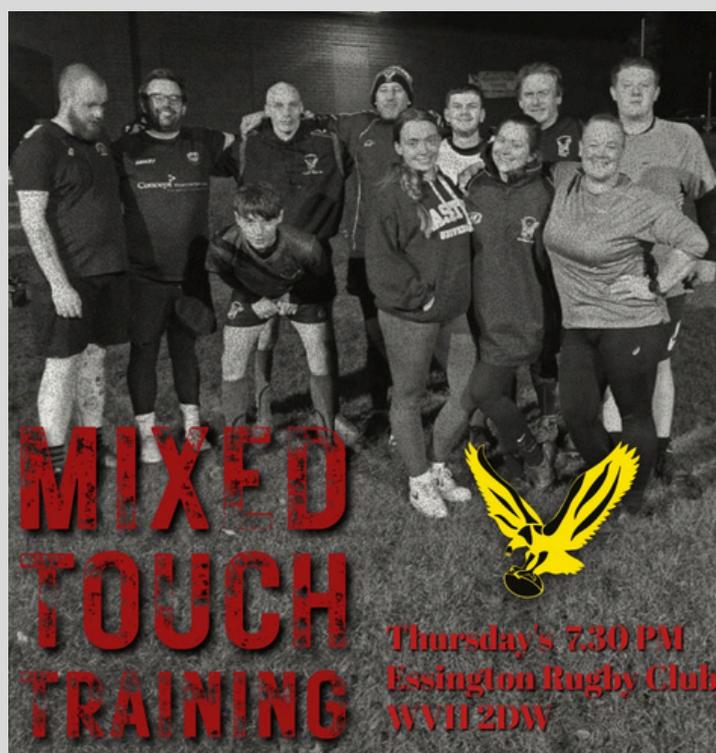
✉ Contact Andy Lyndon at [essingtonrufc@gmail.com](mailto:essingtonrufc@gmail.com)

## Mixed Touch Rugby is Taking Off at Essington!

There's a real buzz around mixed touch rugby at Essington this season! The sessions have seen lots of new players getting involved, with a great mix of both female and male players coming together to enjoy fast, fun, and social rugby.

The team is growing week by week, with new faces joining all the time — whether you're a seasoned player, returning to rugby, or completely new to the sport, everyone is welcome. Training takes place every Thursday at 7:30 pm at the club. It's a fantastic way to stay active, meet new people, and be part of the Essington rugby community.

Come down, give it a go, and be part of something that's really building momentum!



# Essington RUFC 2025-26 Fixtures



## September

6 Whitchurch 2nd's (H)  
13 Stafford 2nd's (A)

## October

4 Linley (H)  
11 Wednesbury (A)  
18 Stoke on trent 2nd's (H)

## November

8 Bloxwich (A)  
22 Aldridge (H)  
29 Newcastle (staffs) 3rd's (A)

## December

6 Telford 2nd's (H)  
13 Trentham 2nd's (A)  
20 Burntwood 2nd's (H)

## January

10 Stafford 2nd's (H)  
17 Linley (A)  
24 Wednesbury (H)

## February

14 Stoke on Trent 2nd's (A)  
28 Bloxwich (H)

## March

7 Aldridge (A)  
21 Newcastle (Staffs) 3rd's (H)  
28 Telford 2nd's (A)

## April

11 Trentham 2nd's (H)  
18 Burntwood 2nd's (A)  
25 Whitchurch 2nd's (A)



## GERWYN'S RIDDLE TIME!

**WHAT HAS MANY KEYS,  
BUT CANT OPEN ANY DOORS?**

Answers as usual to :  
[essingtonrufc@gmail.com](mailto:essingtonrufc@gmail.com).

# Update on Gerwyn

Gerwyn's weekly routine includes:

Standing Frame Work:

Weekly visits to the hospital sees Gerwyn spending time in the standing frame — this helps with overall health, improving circulation and maintaining bone density and strength. The focus right now is on improving the quality of his standing sessions. The upper body supports have now been removed, which means he is relying on his core and arm strength to stay upright.

Neuro Physio Sessions:

He is also continuing with weekly neuro physiotherapy, where they are working on posture, as well as back and neck strength and movement, plus pressure and push through hands/arms to his side. These improvements will help with wheelchair posture and transfer movement from/to the wheelchair.

Thank you for your support.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/to-support-gerwyn-and-his-family-now-and-into-the-future>



## **Moving Forward Together: Essington Rugby Club & Great Wyrley Academy**

Essington Rugby Club is excited to be building a strong and positive partnership with Great Wyrley Academy — working together to bring more young people into the game we love!

We've already started making links with the school to encourage students in Years 10-14 to get involved in junior rugby here at Essington every Sunday. It's all about creating opportunities for young players to learn new skills, make friends, and enjoy being part of a team.

As part of this growing connection, Great Wyrley Academy recently chose Essington Rugby Club to host their Inter-Academy Touch Rugby Tournament for boys' and girls' teams in Years 7 and 8 across the Windsor Trust. It was a first for Essington and was amazing to see so many children enjoying rugby.

Read their article on Instagram : <https://www.instagram.com/p/DPoPfFoDFnI/>

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