



**U13 Kents 7s**  
**12th April 2025**  
**Welcome Pack**  
**Hosted by Gravesend RFC**



Dear Age Group Contact

The end of the season brings us to the U13 Kent County RFU 7s Competition. We, at **Gravesend RFC** will be hosting the 7s competition and look forward to welcoming you, your players, spectators, first aiders, referees and more for a fun filled day of rugby.

This pack will provide you with all the information that you need. Please share any relevant information with those who are visiting us on the day.

Important Contacts

Festival Organiser			
Gravesend RFC M&Y Chairperson	Stacey Sewell	07891686621	miniandyouthmanage rgrfc@gmail.com
Gravesend RFC Head of Mini and youth development	Gary Gray	07702241917	garygraygrfcacademy@gmail.com
GRFC U13 lead coach / competition organiser	Adian Hamilton	07816459577	

Your first contact for the day should be the festival organiser as they will know the individual information and requirements for their venue. Please go through your age group contact in all correspondence unless it is an emergency.

### Important Timings on the day

Registration	08.45 am - 09.30am
Head coach / referee Briefing	09.30 am
All players, spectators and visitors on site by	9.30 am
First Matches Kick off	10.00am
Presentations	16:00 (approximately)

### Parking

Although there is lots of parking around the festival, careful planning has gone into ensuring congestion in the area is kept to a minimum.

There will be no parking at Gravesend Rugby club on the day with the exception of Two cars per team. Please see attached to this pack a voucher which must be printed and brought on the day to allow one car per team access to the car park in order to bring kit, gazebos etc. to site. You will be given a ref number nearer to the time to be written on the voucher. Do not duplicate, We will have to turn away any cars once valid vouchers have been presented.

To ensure congestion is reduced, each team will be allocated a parking zone to use. Please see attached to this pack an outline of parking zones including the associated postcodes and details of any "cut throughs" that will get attendees to the site as quickly as possible. We ask that teams stick to their designated parking zones, Each zone is no more than a 7 minute walk to the club.

We ask that when parking in local streets you consider our neighbours.

Ash & Deal - Pine Avenue

Ashford - Norfolk Road

Ayleford Bulls- Norfolk Road

Beccenhamians - Pine Avenue

Bromley - Gravesend Grammar School

Dartford Valley- Norfolk Road

Folkstone - Gravesend Grammar School

Gillingham Anchorians Pine Avenue

Greenwich Pine Avenue

Medway - Gravesend Grammar School

Old Almeynians - Gravesend Grammar School

Old Dunstonians- Norfolk Road

Old Eltamians Pine Avenue

Sevenoaks - Gravesend Grammar School

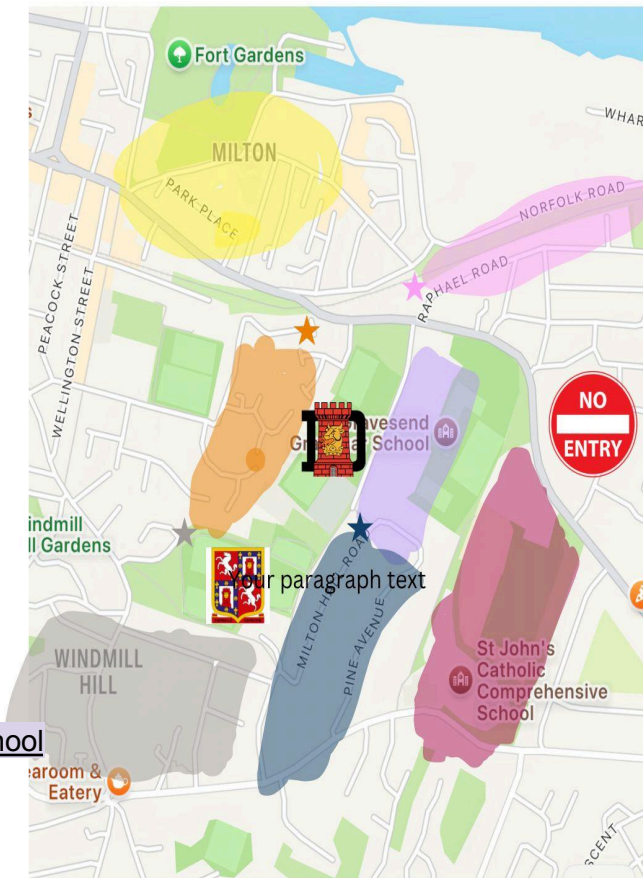
Sidcup Norfolk Road

Sittingbourne Pine Avenue

Tonbridge Juddians -Norfolk Road







Tunbridge Wells - Pine Avenue

Westcombe Park - Norfolk Road



Windmill Hill Area Search DA12 1JW. Enter festival from Old Gravesendians entrance

Pine Avenue enter through alley next to school then walk down to Milton Road search DA12 1QZ

-  St Johns Catholic School Search DA12 2JW
  -  Gravesend Grammar School. Search DA12 2PR
  -  Area surrounding the Temple. Search DA12 1NA. Cut through to main road next to 29a
  -  Ordnance Rd Car Park, Gravesend DA12 2RL
  -  Norfolk Road search DA12 2PA. Ensure you do not park on double yellows. Cut through under railway bridge on Prospect Grove
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DO NOT park in this area. Roads are very narrow and congested and you will get stuck

Overflow car park to be used Ordnance Road Car Park Da12 2RL

### Gate/Entry fees

As per Kent County RFU guidelines for all the minis Kent events, entry to all grounds will be **£2.50 per adult** (children free entry). Cash is preferred to facilitate a swift entry to the site although there will be a limited number of card machines.

This fee is separate to the counties entry fee per team as the KCRFU is a self funding festival so all teams entrance fees paid go towards the counties running costs i.e. first aid, medals, balls etc. Whereas the entrance fee on the day goes to the running costs for the hosts i.e. toilets, wear and tear of pitches, parking costs etc.

### Registration

All teams must be registered upon arrival using the appropriate KCRFU Team Sheet and Photo Consent form as attached. The registration desk will be in the Mini and Youth Pavilion. Please remember that RFU numbers and dates of birth will be needed. To make the day run smoothly we would appreciate you forwarding your registration forms to us prior to the event please email them to the festival organiser ([miniandyouthmanagergrfc@gmail.com](mailto:miniandyouthmanagergrfc@gmail.com)).

All participating players must be RFU registered on the RFU's registration platform (GMS).

To allow us at Kent County RFU to plan for the future we will be completing a player audit in the forthcoming weeks of which all registration forms will assist us in completing.

### Festival Rules

#### Kent Youth 7s rules

- All players must play within their age grade
- Squad size shall not exceed 12
- Maximum of 7 players per a team allowed
- Restarts - team who score restarts the play with a drop kick
- During the game Pool games will be 5 minutes each way with one minute half time. The finals will be seven minutes each way with one minute half time.

Please see shared full competition rules.

[KENT Youth Sevens Rules 2025.docx - Google Docs](#)

## Presentations

The official presentation will be held on the main pitch after the final games. The presentation will be held for all the winners and runners up of the competitions.

## Programme and Match Schedule

All schedules and pool drawers will be released on the Kent County Website.

[www.kentrugby.org](http://www.kentrugby.org)

Pitch marshals will have hard copies of playing schedules for reference. Please try to keep to the match playing schedule – right pitch – right time and help us to ensure the day is full of free flowing rugby games with as few hold ups as possible

Pitch marshals will be on hand to assist.  
No matches will be rescheduled.

## First Aid

Each team should come equipped with a first aid kit and appropriately trained first aider.

Additional Festival first aid is provided by Kent RFU and will be located in the control tent.

## Emergencies

The festival is coordinated on the day from the central registration / control gazebo. Please report any emergencies, problems regarding the playing area or general matters to the organiser in the pavilion.

Any lost children must be taken to or reported to central registration/control tent.

## Referees

Thank you to the Kent Referee Society you have arranged for our referees to attend 7s competition. We ask that each team provide an AR for their matches to support the society referees.

## Refreshments

There will be a variety of hot and cold food and drink available from our catering partners Cholesterol Heaven Food is available from 9:00.

We will also have our “Ruck Shop” open – GRFC’s own tuck shop with sweets and drinks. An Ice cream van will also be on site.

We ask that although we are in a modern age that food is not ordered from outside franchises and delivered to any of our hosting clubs.

Only the organisers will be permitted to have BBQ’s on site.

#### Toilets

Toilets are located at The Pavillion and The Main clubhouse. Disabled toilets are available in our main club house via the players bar.

#### Photography

The organisers recognise the need to ensure the safety and well-being of all the youngsters playing in the festival. As a part of this commitment the taking of photographs will be permitted only within the guidelines laid down by Kent RFU. Accredited Press photographers may also be present.

#### Dogs

Dogs are welcome but must be kept off the pitches and be on leads at all times. All dog waste must be cleared away by owners immediately and none allowed on playing surfaces.

#### Tents and Gazebos

You’re more than welcome to bring tents and gazebos, please ensure that they are placed at least 5m away from pitch boundaries and placed in the area outlined on the site map above. It is imperative that you secure your gazebos with pegs. The weather can change quickly and there is limited shelter around the pitches, for the safety of all visitors we don’t want tents flying around.

#### Rubbish

Please ensure that you gather up all your rubbish after your visit and place it in the bins provided. We will provide you with two rubbish bags per team at registration to help with cleaning.

### Club Values and Behaviour

Kent County RFU and its festival hosts promote and encourage the core rugby values of Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline and Sportsmanship. We ask that all coaches, players and supporters abide by these in order for everyone visiting our club to have an enjoyable experience.

We look forward to seeing you on the day.

**Stacey Sewell**  
**GRFC Mini & Youth Chair**

# Site Map

