

KCRFU U9 Mini Festival 2026

Welcome Pack | Sunday 29th March 2026

Hosted by Tonbridge Juddians RFC



We are delighted to welcome you to the 43rd Kent County RFU Mini Festival. This year, TJs is proud to host the U9 age group. We look forward to welcoming your players, coaches, families and supporters for a fantastic morning of rugby.

Everything you need to know on the day is in this pack, so please do share it with your whole team ahead of the festival. Any questions before Sunday? Just get in touch and we'll help.

Key TJs Contacts

Role	Name	Email	Phone
TJs Festival Coordinator	Vicky Court	minis@tjrfc.co.uk	07879 835863
TJs Minis Chairman	Dave Turner	minis@tjrfc.co.uk	07450 576769
TJs Head of Rugby	Darren Reeves	dreevesrugby@gmail.com	07834 225584

Your first port of call on the day should be Vicky. Please ensure all correspondence is through your lead coach, unless it's an emergency.

Key KCRFU Contacts

Role	Name	Email	Phone
KCRFU Mini Chairperson	Dawn Waters	mini-rugby@kent-rugby.org	07931 511424
KCRFU Mini Vice Chair	Jamie Callaway	mini-rugby-vicechair@kent-rugby.org	
KCRFC Safeguarding	Dawn Stanford	safeguarding@kent-rugby.org	
KCRFU Disciplinary	Jayne Ashdown Denny	age-grade-discipline@kent-rugby.org	
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Timings

Please ensure everyone on your team is on site by 9.45 am so we can get started on time.

TJRFC Clubhouse Opens	7.30 am
Registration Opens	8.45 – 9.30 am
Referee & Coach Briefing	9.30 am
First matches Kick-off	10.00 am
Festival Ends	Approximately 1 pm

Location & Parking

Tonbridge Juddians RFC, The Slade, Tonbridge, Kent, TN9 1HR | What 3 Words: [///noise.jokes.bets](http://noise.jokes.bets)

Please be aware that Bank Street is subject to a road closure due to Southern Water roadworks, in place until 30th March. This may affect your route when leaving the club via car or the Upper Castle Car Park after the festival.

Parking at TJs is limited, so please leave plenty of time to arrive at the club. Below are some local public car parks - **be warned that parking charges do apply on Sundays.** Blue Badge bays will be available at the club, so please contact us no later than Friday, 27 March to reserve a space.

Car Park	Postcode	Walk	What 3 Words
Upper Castle Car Park	TN9 1BL	4 min	///surely.player.sofa
Bradford Street	TN9 1DU	9 min	///wash.resist.deals
Botany Car Park (Waitrose)	TN9 1RG	10 min	///envy.fear.speaks
Sovereign Way East	TN9 1RG	12 min	///fuels.beyond.intervals
Sovereign Way Mid	TN9 1RG	10 min	///tolls.next.scared
Sovereign Way North	TN9 1RS	12 min	///crew.reveal.pushy
Angel West (Sainsbury's)	TN9 1SF	10 min	///leader.racing.focus
Ave du Puy / Vale Road	TN9 1QH	12 min	///maker.plant.wisely

Entry Fee

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 swift entry to the site although there will be a limited number of card machines.

This fee is separate from the county entry fee per team. The KCRFU Mini Festival is self-funding: team entry fees go towards county costs (first aid, medals, equipment), while on-the-day admission covers host costs (facilities, pitches, parking).

Registering Your Team

All teams must register on arrival using the official KCRFU Team Sheet & Photography Consent Form. Head to the registration gazebo (see pitch map below) when you arrive to sign in and collect your medals. **If you wish to forward your registration forms to us prior to the event to make things easier and faster for everyone, please email them to Vicky at minis@tjrfc.co.uk by end of day on Friday, 27th March.**

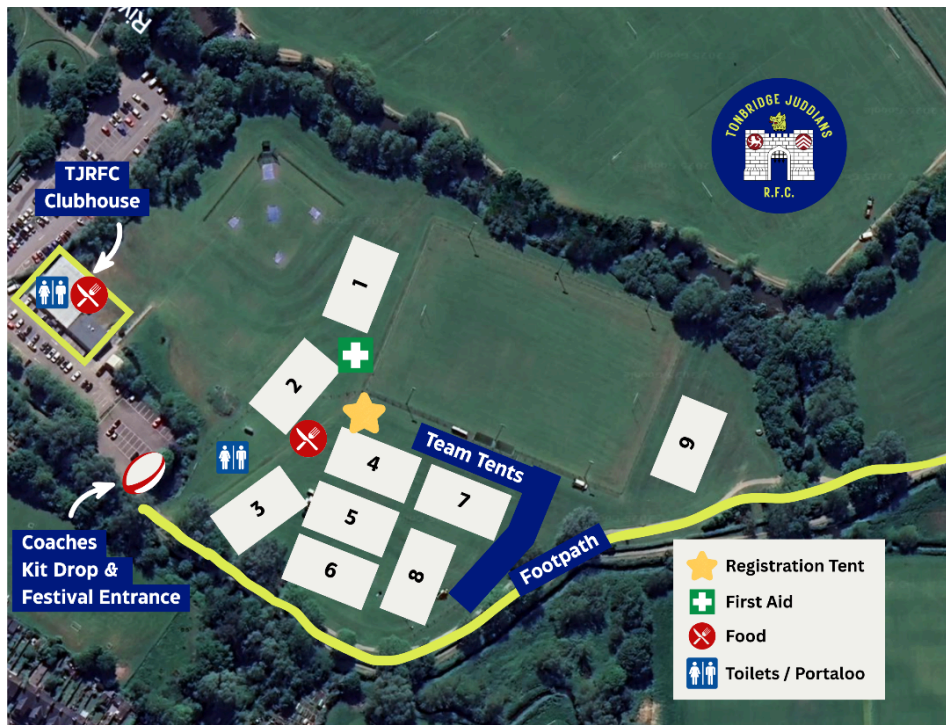
Please ensure:

- RFU numbers and dates of birth are completed.
- All players are registered on GMS.
- Squad sizes comply with the festival maximums.
- All players have gum shields. There will be a few on site available for purchase if needed.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to cater for any additional players over the team size with regards to medals etc., so please ensure you stick to the maximum team size as below.

Age Group	Players on Pitch	Max Squad Size (inc. subs)
Under 9	7 players	9 players

Pitch Map



Programme and Match Schedule

The pool draws and full playing schedule will be published on the Kent County website on the afternoon of Friday 27th March: www.kentrugby.org

Pitch marshals will have printed copies on the day. Please stick to the schedule as closely as you can: right pitch, right time. It keeps things flowing and gives the kids as much rugby as possible. No matches will be rescheduled.

Referees

Each team is asked to provide a referee for half of each match (usually a team coach). All referees must attend the briefing at 9.30 am at the registration gazebo.

Festival Rules & Team Selection

RFU Regulation 15 Age Grade Rules apply across all matches. The festival rules can be found in the mini section of the KCRFU Website [Kent County RFU » Mini](#)

Medal Presentations

There will be no central presentation at the end of the festival. Each club is encouraged to hold its own awards with players. Every participant will receive a medal.

First Aid & Emergencies

Each team should bring their own first aid kit and have a trained first aider with them. Kent RFU are also providing additional first aid cover through Pulse South Coast, based near the registration gazebo throughout the day.

The registration gazebo is your go-to for anything on the day: emergencies, pitch issues, or anything you're not sure about. Any lost children should be taken to or reported to the registration/control gazebo as soon as possible.

Food & Drink

Hot and cold drinks and breakfast options are available in the clubhouse from 7.30 am, so arrive early, snag a close parking spot, and get some food and coffee!

Outside there'll also be hot food, a pizza van, hot drinks, a tuck shop, and horsebox bar for the duration of the festival. Food and drink will continue in the clubhouse throughout the festival as well.

Toilets

Toilets and disabled facilities are in the main clubhouse entrance via ramp, with additional portaloos on the middle field.

Photography

Photography is welcome within the guidelines set by Kent RFU, so please make sure your parents and coaches are aware of these. Accredited press photographers may also be present on the day.

Dogs

Four-legged supporters are welcome at TJs! Please keep dogs on leads and under control at all times, off the pitches, and clean up after them straight away.

Tents & Gazebos

Please ensure tents/gazebos are at least 5 metres from any pitch boundary, properly pegged down and positioned in the area shown on the site map.

Rubbish

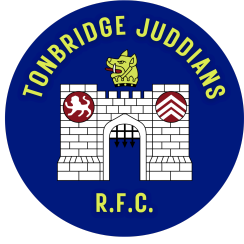
Treat each club how you would treat your own! Like your club, we are volunteer-led and we love our club and clubhouse! Before leaving, please ensure that you tidy up. Each team will be given a black bin bag on arrival, so please use it and drop it in the large bins in the main club car park before you leave. **Thank you!**

Our Values

TJs and Kent County RFU are proud to promote the core rugby values of **Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline**, and **Sportsmanship**. We ask every coach, player, and supporter to carry those values with them throughout the day, because that's what makes grassroots rugby so special.

We can't wait to see you on Sunday!

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Team Registration
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Entering more than one team? You must complete a separate form for each team.

By completing this team sheet, you agree to the festival terms and conditions, including:

- All players must be RFU affiliated and registered to their club.
- Each team must provide a referee and first aider.
- Any dispensations or out-of-age-band approvals must be declared in advance.

Club Name	
Team Name	
Head Coach Name	
Contact Number	
Referee	
Team First Aider Name	

	Name of Player	Date of Birth	RFC Registration Number	Guardian Consent to Photography
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