

BIRKMYRE 1st XV HEAD COACH - VACANCY

An opportunity has arisen for an ambitious individual to join the Birkmyre Rugby Club coaching team as Head Coach working within our established club coaching structure.

Birkmyre Rugby Club is a community-based club in Kilmacolm and has just been promoted to West Division 2. We have a young and predominately locally produced squad with an average age of around 24, a keen playing and training ethic, and a strong ethos of the social aspects of rugby. Typically, more than 70% of the match day squad will have played as minis for the club, many since primary school, and others from the local catchment area. We are keen to challenge for back to back promotions, which is a realistic goal given the talented squad and also compete in the cup competition.

Our aim is to pursue a culture where players of all abilities are given the chance to develop, offering young players a pathway into senior rugby, and providing a welcome to those returning from college or other adventures. Six of our minis have progressed to play for Scotland since we set up a youth structure 20 years ago & many currently play in the National leagues. We boast a current Men's Scottish U20s Internationalist & two current Woman's full Internationalist from our ranks.

We play and train in Kilmacolm with three pitches, one with class two floodlights which, weather and local authority permitting, provides excellent facilities for training and competition. We also have access to 4G facilities at Houston and Langbank.

Roles and Responsibilities

The role will involve the following responsibilities, including but not limited to:-

- Coaching the 1st XV squad including match days and up to two training sessions per week
- Analyse & develop the skills of the players which can be assisted by the use of our VEO camera
- Plan and implement varied programmes for coaching sessions
- Evaluate all coaching sessions and games.
- Attend coaching / committee meetings as required
- Assist with program to attract and recruit new players.
- Working along side other volunteer coaches
- Attend youth events / training periodically as required and ensure player involvement at the same
- Management of Scrums system for team sheets, injury reports etc.
- Head of team selection in conjunction with players leadership group

The position may suit a recently retired or senior player looking to develop their coaching skills or a coach with previous experience. Applicants would be expected to have completed the Aspiring Coaching Programme or the UKCC level 2 and a minimum. The club would consider funding to further develop the successful applicant's coaching qualifications. The Head Coach would be supported by a retired Level 1 qualified coach who has many years of rugby experience, both playing & coaching, and other coaches who will assist on an ad-hoc basis.

This is a volunteer position, however appropriate expenses can be agreed and will be paid for travel etc.

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