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HSBC PENGUINS TRIUMPH IN THE LONDON TENS!

We win the inaugural London 10s Rugby Festival on 5th June at The Athletic Ground in Richmond.

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John Kirwan,
Dean Herewini and
Frank Hadden
scrum down at an
HSBC ARFU
Coaching Clinic.

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Welcome to the PIRFC Summer Newsletter for 2011.

In the pages that follow you will find details of our 2011 coaching and playing trips and details of future events.

So far this year we have beaten both Oxford and Cambridge Universities and reached the semi-final of the Hong Kong Football Club 10s in March. We also participated in the London 10s Rugby Festival at the Richmond Athletic Ground, where we managed to prevail against a number of very strong specialist tens outfits. But more of that later.

First, we'll look at what the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy has been getting up to in 2011...

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I am sure all members will join with us in expressing our thanks to HSBC, Grove Industries and Tsunami for their continued support, interest and sponsorship of the Club.



HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy News:

HSBC Asian 5 Nations Support Coaching 2011

During 2011, the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy will be assisting the HSBC Asian 5 Nations and the Asian Rugby Football Union grassroots development programme with visits to many Asian countries.

For further information on the coaching initiative as part of the HSBC Asian 5 Nations, please visit the HSBC Asian 5 Nations website at: www.asian5nations/HSBC_Coaching

Events already undertaken in 2011:

February - Dubai Festival

March 23rd - Hong Kong

April 20th - 23rd - Colombo, Sri Lanka (see the article **Hadden in Sri Lanka** on page 5 for more information.)

April 28th - 30th - Hong Kong

May - Macau

May 5th - 7th - Bangkok, Thailand

May 11th - 13th - Dubai, UAE

May 19th - 21st - Hong Kong

May 19th - 21st - Colombo, Sri Lanka

June 2nd - 4th - Incheon/Seoul, Korea

June - Indonesia

August - Shanghai, China

Events still to be confirmed for 2011:

September/November - Malaysia

November - India & Gibraltar RFC

November/December - Singapore



2011 is a very busy year for the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy!

Don't forget - updates on all of our coaching trips will appear on the PIRFC website at: www.penguinrugby.com.

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HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy to Dubai, February 2011

The HSBC Dubai Festival tournament has grown into a spectacular festival of youth rugby over the past few years, with nearly 2,000 players from 100 teams participating in twelve separate competitions. Rugby is played non-stop over the course of the event, at times on up to eleven mini pitches.

As a part of the HSBC Dubai Festival the Penguins were on hand to deliver coaching to support the festival over the two days (February 18th and 19th) and even linked in some schools visits on the same trip.

The festival held at 'The Sevens' ground was for up to 2000 kids aged between 5 and 17 from across Dubai and the UAE, and also included two teams from Russia. The two HSBC Penguin International Academy coaches Gordon (Sesh) Henderson and Ben Fisher were there to offer a range of coaching on an open invitation basis at any time throughout the festival.

The first day was mainly with the younger children looking at fun TAG-based games and skill challenges to entertain the kids between their games. The second day was more about coaching the U9 to U11 players where the local coaches would bring along their whole team and the Penguins would cover a short coaching session on any high-lighted areas. The Penguins also helped with warm ups for the players when they were preparing for their games.

The Dubai Exiles U18 team had a coaching session prior to their first game where Sesh and Ben delivered a lineout and phase play session picking up on technical detail which helped them in their tough games against the Russian club and also the other local Dubai team, the Hurricanes. The local coaches were very interested in learning from the HSBC Penguin International Academy coaches and have now some new ideas to work on for the rest of the season.

The following day the HSBC Penguin International Academy coaches met up with local development officer Ghaith Jalajel who had organised for us to visit two local Emirate schools who were going to be involved in a local TAG rugby festival later that week. The first school, Al Maktoun, were quite new to rugby and the coaches focussed on evasion games with an introduction to passing. The school only has a sand-based playing area but despite this a great deal of fun was had by the 30 players aged 12 - 14.

The second school was a return visit to Al Ahmadyah who were the successful winners at the last TAG school competition run by Ghaith. This session was a lot more games-focused. The surface at the school was a lot better and the teacher was excellent at helping with the organisation and translation for the players. Again there were about 30 players who all went away happy with a HSBC visor and a Penguins badge. The trip was nicely capped off with Ghaith taking the HSBC Penguin Academy coaches for a traditional local lunch and sharing many stories and thoughts about how to drive rugby forward in Dubai.

Thanks to Ben, Steph and Mike at Fast Track for their help and guidance during the week, Declan from the Dubai Exiles for his running of the festival and also Ghaith for arranging the school visits.



Ben and Gordon practice a little support play in the lineout!

HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy in Hong Kong, March 2011

Dean Herewini's role as a coach with the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy led the former Hong Kong national team prop to run clinics in Hong Kong during the week with the likes of All Blacks legends Jonah Lomu and John Kirwan and former England captain, Lawrence Dallaglio. However, as excited as Dean gets rubbing shoulders with legends of the game, the current Malaysia coach - who will also play a big role in this year's HSBC ARFU Rugby Coaching Tour - saves most of his enthusiasm for his students.



Herewini with Kirwan, Lomu and the rest of the group in Hong Kong.

During the course of the week, Herewini and the HSBC Penguins completed a whirlwind tour of clinics for groups from Rwanda, South Africa, New Zealand, China and Hong Kong, with venues ranging from Sandy Bay and Sai Kung to Happy Valley and Hong Kong Football Club.

'It's a big week of classes here, most of which are conducted by the academy coaches, but we get the players and sometimes the ex-international players involved for the bigger sessions,' says Herewini, a self-described 'rugby nomad' whose 15-year stint in Asia has seen him play for Hong Kong and also work in Indonesia and Malaysia, where he's in his third year as national 15-a-side coach.

'Our players will come to play in the Hong Kong Tens and watch the Sevens, but when they leave, they often say their best memory is 'I coached 120 kids' or 'I coached 60 kids', all of diverse ages and abilities. To watch a kid running and chasing a ball is almost more exciting than watching a tournament,' added the New Zealander, who helped Malaysia win promotion to Division I of the HSBC Asian 5 Nations in 2009.

This year, the HSBC Penguins contingent who travelled to Hong Kong numbered about 90, including a first team - under the guidance of former Scotland coach Frank Hadden - that reached the semi-finals of the GFI Hong Kong Tens and a more social King Penguins selection who competed in the Kowloon RugbyFest.

However, for Herewini, coaching comes first and he has played an active role since meeting Craig Brown, the Club's current Chief Executive, soon after the Penguin Academy was formalised following an investment by HSBC in 2004. 'One of my nomadic reasons for coming to Asia was to play a bit of rugby in Hong Kong and head back to New Zealand, but instead I found great opportunities for me in terms of rugby development. It's a big thing in Asia but there's still a long way to go and I stayed because there's so much opportunity. I'm a volunteer, but I would do it day in, day out, just to watch the kids coming through, especially the local kids, because that's where you future is. It's just a passion we all have. We're often



Dean Herewini coaching his young students.



John Kirwan... 'just phenomenal'.

coaching kids from the age of six through to university students. That sums up the philosophy of what we're trying to do - we're basically trying to spread the gospel of rugby around the region.'

'From an HSBC Penguins perspective, we have a curriculum, where we'll go and run courses under guidelines set by the IRB and the Scottish and English Rugby Unions. We'll send coaches to these countries - like Rwanda, Malaysia - as an ongoing process. I haven't heard of any other club outside of HSBC Penguins doing such things, but that's probably why it has such a fantastic name.'

'With HSBC's sponsorship, the coaching tour can bring in great coaches like Frank Hadden who did it last year and spent a lot of time on the road with the HSBC Asian 5 Nations. For me to be involved in clinics with Frank, it's a wonderful thing and it allows me to learn and then teach my academy guys within the Penguins,' Herewini says.

'Being involved with John Kirwan is just phenomenal. You saw what he could do as a player in the Rugby World Cup in 1987 and you've seen what he did as coach with Italy and what he's doing with Japan. People will thrive to go to a John Kirwan coaching clinic. It's great to have these guys on board.'

Dean Herewini was joined in Hong Kong by Academy coaches Foz Herewini, Abby Wills, Ben Breeze and thanks to the Penguin 10s team and the King Penguins for running sessions as well - well done to all.



Frank Hadden in Sri Lanka, April 2011

It is a long time since the Penguins were last in Sri Lanka - 1979, to be precise! On that occasion the Penguins were asked by the Rugby Union to field a side to represent the RU in order to celebrate the Sri Lankan RFU's centenary season. The result was a very strong Penguins' squad - Captained by Irish international Mickey Quinn - which included five Irish internationals and one English international. The Penguins won all six matches played. At the end of the tour the Sri Lankan press wrote: *Sri Lankan rugby is richer for the visit of the Penguins... they won the hearts of all Sri Lankans, not only for the style of their rugby, but also by their manner off the field. For them the message is clear: Come again Penguins.*



Now let's fast forward 32 years!

Frank Hadden had been looking forward to his visit to Sri Lanka and the country lived up to his expectations as the former Scotland coach led the HSBC ARFU Rugby Coaching Tour's activity in and around Colombo between the 20th - 23rd April during the first week of this year's HSBC Asian 5 Nations.

After coaching HSBC staff at the historic Ceylonese Rugby and Football Club (CR&FC) in Colombo on Wednesday, Hadden enjoyed his first visit to an SOS Children's Village in Piliyandala on the Thursday before he coached a gathering of developing rugby schools on Friday.

On Saturday, many of the youngsters from SOS and the schools went on to watch Sri Lanka draw 13-13 with the UAE at CR&FC as 'The Elephants' made their debut in the Top Five of the HSBC Asian 5 Nations.

Hadden took time to share some of his thoughts on an inspirational week.

'It was my first time at an SOS Children's Village and it was a wonderful experience. I really appreciate what HSBC has done with their investment by ensuring that the Coaching Tour involves communities for disadvantaged kids and this has been a great experience. It's a really well organised complex. I think the kids got a lot out of the rugby experience and it was certainly great fun.

'There's a really happy feel about the Village and you can never really understand what it's going to feel like until you step into it. It's certainly a much more disciplined and organised environment than I expected and the kids were very well behaved and showed tremendous enthusiasm for what was a new experience for them.

'Some of the kids have got great natural handling skills. I think the Sri Lankans have got a great aptitude for sport and they're keen on it. Cricket's number one but rugby is a much bigger game here than I expected. Within a few weeks of picking up this game these talented young players could really make a go of it. They're generally athletic, well-coordinated and they're possibly in better condition than kids of their age in the UK. You've just got to watch out for the heat here!

'It was good that the kids went on to watch Sri Lanka play the UAE and that was a hugely important match for the team as their first game in the Top Five of the HSBC Asian 5 Nations. I was in Singapore last year when they won the Division One title and I presented them with their trophy. I've been looking forward to coming here ever since.

'Sri Lanka has a strong foundation for the game in this country, with between 80,000 and 100,000 players in all. The country has a well structured schools league and their club scene seems to be vibrant, so what they really need now is for their international team to kick off, to try and pull the whole thing together.

'I think Sri Lanka has probably felt a bit isolated in a rugby sense, which is why the international game has not flourished the way the schools and club game has, but the HSBC Asian 5 Nations has created a situation for them to get involved. Every child needs an aspirational pathway to the top of their sport in their own country, so you need national stars and icons. There's little incentive in sport unless you can see where that pathway might lead.



HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy's Frank Hadden running an HSBC ARFU Rugby Coaching session in Sri Lanka in April.



'The kids were able to enjoy the game, see the size of the crowd and hear the passion and I'm sure it will have helped them to see how great this game can be. It can help them drive their passion for the sport by seeing their national team compete against the top teams in Asia and inspire these kids to get further involved in rugby.

'There are clubs in Colombo who are actively recruiting kids from unfortunate backgrounds and some of these have gone on to win scholarships at private fee-paying schools because of the quality of their rugby so I think the game has a big part to play in this society.

'I would hesitate to call Sri Lanka old-fashioned, but it's traditional and there's a good history to their education system here and there's a good history to their sporting prowess. I think the country has a lot going for it once it gets over its relative isolation.'

HSBC has a long-standing relationship with the SOS Children's Villages globally and this year's HSBC ARFU Rugby Coaching Tour will also visit similar communities in Kazakhstan - one of Sri Lanka's Top Five competitors - and in Korea and Thailand, which host Divisions One and Two respectively.

After Sri Lanka, Hadden headed to Hong Kong to help continue the Coaching Tour's activities.

HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

IRB Trainers Doc McKelvey and Simon Jones visited Kuala Lumpur between March 6th - 12th, 2011.

The first Courses took place on Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th. There were 22 candidates, who were, for the most part, teachers from all over Malaysia. They were IRB L1 and had a mix of technical knowledge. Doc and Simon ran four RFU CPD courses over the two days, concentrating on: Line outs (Junior); Rucks and Mauls (Junior); Back Play (Junior) and Defence (Adult)

Facilities were good and the weather was kind. On each course the HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy held a combination of indoor theory and outside practical work. The candidates were put into four groups and challenged to work together to solve various problems. The winning group won Penguin gear and badges.

The second Courses were held on Thursday 10th and Friday 11th. There were 20 teachers on the second Course and the same group work was run. The difference was that these candidates were IRB Level 2 candidates and the HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy were able to up the level of the courses due to their increased technical knowledge. Again, these courses went extremely well and were popular with the candidates. At the end of both courses, as well as the winning groups getting prizes, Doc and Simon also presented Penguin Course Certificates.

Top coaching team to be reunited for double title defence

Top Coaches John McKittrick (North Harbour) and Rodney McIntosh (Hong Kong) have both agreed to coach the Penguin squad at the SCC 7s and HSBC COBRA 10s in the first two weeks of November, 2011.

The pair guided the Penguins to a historic double when the team captured both the SCC 7s and HSBC COBRA 10s titles last November.

HSBC Penguins' Senior Vice President Bill Calcraft said: 'This is great news for the club as John and Rodney had worked really effectively with last years' squad. They had established a simple style of play and had built a great team spirit in the short time that the guys were together.'

As well as the Penguins playing in the two tournaments, the HSBC Penguin International Coaching Academy will be busy in both Singapore and Malaysia at the same time as part of HSBC's commitment to grassroots rugby development in the area - and this work will be part of the Asian 5 Nations Coaching Programme.



HSBC Penguin Rugby Academy Award Winners from RSA - Roelof Smit and Frank Wagenstroom

Selection for The HSBC Penguin Rugby Academy Award is based on rugby ability, teamwork, a reputation for fair play and for showing the promise of being a good ambassador for the HSBC Penguins and the International Rugby Academy.

Roelof Smit - HSBC Penguin Rugby Award Winner, 2010



John McKittrick and Roelof.

Roelof Smit won the HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy Rugby Award in 2010 and joined the HSBC Penguin squad in Hong Kong between 20th to 28th March, to play in the 2011 Hong Kong Football Club 10s Tournament.

Roelof writes about his experience:

It was my first international flight and it was very nerve-racking but also very exciting! I didn't know any of the guys I was on tour with and everything was much unexpected. The long waits at airports weren't very pleasant but they did give us all a good chance to bond and get to know each other a bit better.

The culture and cuisine in Hong Kong was a great experience for me, but this also made me realise that South Africa is where I will always belong! The highlights of this tour for me were 'The Ladies Long Lunch' where we were able to raise money for orphans, and the HSBC Reception. As the youngest member at this meeting I was made to feel important in a way I'll never forget.

Participating in the tournament - and especially playing against George Greegan - was a huge honour for me. It was great to make new friends from all over the globe, too. We keep in contact through facebook so we stay close!

I felt like a real Penguin in my tux when we were given the privilege of watching the Hong Kong 7s. It was real fun, we made lots of jokes and watched some good rugby. It felt as if I was part of one big happy family!

This tour was a real adventure for me and I feel truly privileged to have been part of it - it was a real dream come true. Thank you Craig for being a great team manager, I'd go on tour with you again any day! I'd also like to thank the HSBC Penguin Rugby Academy for making all of this possible.

Once again thank you to everyone who made this experience a memorable one! I hope to see everyone soon!

Regards, Roelof

Frank Wagenstroom - HSBC Penguin Rugby Award Winner, 2011



Frank with Craig Brown.

Frank Wagenstroom from Cape Town was the happy winner the HSBC Penguin Rugby Award at the recently completed Investec International Rugby Academy High Performance Player course. The award was presented by CEO Craig Brown at the course venue in Konka, north west of Johannesburg. The RAHPP course concluded on 23rd June, 2011.

Frank will be selected for the HSBC Penguin tour at the end of the year to the Singapore Cricket Club 7s and the HSBC COBRA 10s in Kuala Lumpur. He was selected by the course coaches who included Gary Gold and Dick Muir (current Springbok coaches), Murray Mexted (International Rugby Academy New Zealand, IRANZ MD) and Australian master coach, John Connolly.

Frank (a wing-threequarter) has represented South Africa at U18, U19 and U21 level (part of the victorious South African U21 World Cup team), and as part of the Sharks Super 14 squad. He has also played in numerous Currie Cup games. He was a very popular winner among the other 27 players on the course.

Prior to the awards, Murray Mexted introduced the HSBC Penguins and asked Craig Brown to explain a little about the Penguins to those present - the Club's history, the HSBC Penguin Rugby Award and the synergetic link between the Penguins and the International Rugby Academy.

HSBC Penguins look forward to welcoming Frank on tour in November.



Penguin International RFC playing news:

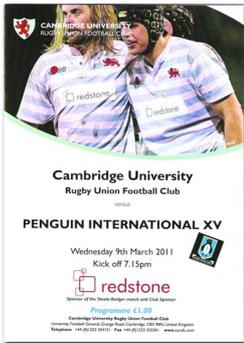
Wednesday, 2nd March 2011 - Oxford University RFC 10 - 43 Penguin International RFC

A strong HSBC Penguins squad beat the Blues at Iffley Road, Oxford, by 43 points to 10.

The Penguins scored seven tries in total - winger Joe Brown (Esher) grabbed himself a brace, with outside-centre Chris Lewis (Rosslyn Park), prop Ricky Lutton (Belfast Harlequins), No. 8 Jason Wellborn (Oxford Harlequins) and wing Xavier Andre (Racing Metro) adding one each. Full-back Jeff Stewart (Oxford Harlequins) converted two, while fly-half Howard Graham (Harlequins) also converted two and added a try of his own.

Oxford University's scores came from a try by prop Gov Oliver, converted by fly-half Charlie Marr who also added a penalty.

Wednesday, 9th March - Cambridge University RUFC 36 - 47 Penguin International RFC



HSBC Penguins visited Grange Road on the evening of Wednesday, 9th March, and produced a scintillating display of running rugby to register a fine win against Cambridge University.

The Blues made a strong start with outside-centre Fred Burdon going over in the opening minutes. But the Penguins replied with two cracking tries of their own. Tom Hickey then levelled the scores following a strong catch and drive from the Cambridge pack before the University's Sam Hunt, playing for the Penguins on the night, grabbed a brace of tries to see the Penguins pull away by half-time.

The second half was equally entertaining as both sides ran the ball from deep with great pace and ambition. The Blues outscored the Club by four tries to three in the second half with outgoing Cambridge University Captain Jimmy Richards to the fore with some great running and off-loads.

The final score of 36 - 47 reflected the captivating nature of the contest. While questions need to be raised as to the quality of Cambridge's defence, there was a huge amount of flair and creativity on show from both sides.



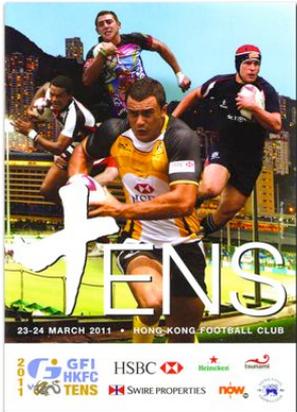
This annual clash with Cambridge University was also notable in that the HSBC Penguins ran out onto the Grange Road pitch in their new Tsunami Sport strip - the first outing by the Penguins since agreeing a sponsorship arrangement with the famous sportswear company.

Penguins' Senior Vice President Bill Calcraft said after the match: 'The strip looked fantastic and it is great that the Penguins are associated with a company that provides top sportswear.'

The HSBC Penguins look forward to a long and happy relationship with Tsunami. If you wish to purchase any Tsunami/Penguin gear please see **The New HSBC Penguins Strip** section on page 15.



HSBC Penguins to Hong Kong Football Club 10s



The HSBC Penguins returned to Hong Kong on 20th to 28th March, 2011, for another crack at winning the Hong Kong Football Club 10s on the fifth attempt.

A similar itinerary to previous trips was arranged, with a mixture of training, playing in the tournament, coaching local school children, attending the HSBC function at HQ, supporting the Ladies Long Lunch and, of course, visiting the National Stadium to watch the Hong Kong 7s.

The team (Captained by New Zealander Jordan Smiler) trained well. There was the usual rustiness on day one as a result of the travel and the fact this was the first time the team had trained together. Coaches McKittrick and Hadden set out the tactics for the tournament and the team worked well in adapting and refining the coaches' ideas.

As usual, the HKFC 10s attracted some great teams with no easy games once the quarter-finals started. The Penguins came out of the blocks too slowly and allowed the Asia Pacific Barbarians (Captained by Justin Marshall) to get a lead which we could not pull back. Credit to the team for giving 100% in the semi-final and for nearly making it.

On the Monday evening, Mark McCombe and his HSBC colleagues hosted a cocktail function for the Penguins party which included the HSBC Penguins, the King Penguins plus the Penguin officials and supporters. A very pleasant evening was had by all.

The team showed great character by coaching 80 youngsters from Sandy Bay RFC. Many of the squad had not coached before and acquitted themselves well in planning and executing sessions for youngsters aged from 8 to 12.



HSBC Penguin squad for the HKFC 10s. Back Row: John McKittrick (Coach - former Cook Is, USA and Nth Harbour 7s coach), Roelof Smit (Waterkloof, Blue Bulls Academy, Borland Craven week team), Sam Hayes-Stevenson (Takapuna, Canterbury B, Crusaders Dev), Adam McGrey (Rangataua, Bay of Plenty 7s), Paula Kinikinilau (Alhambra-Union, Otago), Takerei Norton (Linwood, Canterbury), Paula Ngauamo (Burnside, Canterbury, Crusaders Dev, NZU20), Matthew Graham (East Coast Bays, Nth Harbour Dev, NZ U20), Andrew Higgins (Exeter, Bath, England 7s & A), Jack McPhee (Glenfield, Nth Harbour XVs & 7s, NZ 7s), Sam Cottam (Christchurch, Canterbury U21 & B, Crusaders Dev)

Front Row: Craig Brown (Manager), Joel McKenty (Kamo, Northland, Waikato, Chiefs Development, NZ U16), Frae Wilson (Wainuiomata, Wellington 7s & XVs, NZ U20), Nasoni Roko (Waimanu, Natisori, Fiji 7s & XVs), Jordan Smiler (Hautapu, Waikato 7s & XVs - Captain), Ash Moeke (Mid Western, Northland, Auckland), Andrew Williams (Marist St Josephs, Savaii Samoa, Samoa), Frank Hadden (Coach - former Edinburgh and Scotland coach)

In transit: Hang Kek Kang (Assistant Manager) and Callum Wootten (Liaison Officer)



Action from the Hong Kong Football Club 10s



Hong Kong Football Club 10s results:

Day One

Pool H:

HSBC Penguins 83 v 0 Playmore Devils Advocate

HSBC Penguins 21 v 7 Hong Kong Chairman's X

Day Two

Quarter-final:

HSBC Penguins 17 v 7 Wild Titans (GER)

Semi-final:

HSBC Penguins 10 v 17 Asia Pacific Barbarians

HSBC Penguins points scorers: Ash Moeke - 34 (1T, 13C, 1P), Andrew Williams, Paul Ngauamo - 20 (4T), Nasoni Roko - 15 (3T), Frae Wilson - 10 (2T), Adam McGrevey - 7 (1T, 1C), Joel McKenty, Paula Kinikinilau, Andrew Higgins, Sam Cottam, Jordan Smiler - 5 (1T)

HSBC Penguins points for 131, points against 31.

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King Penguins Tour to Hong Kong, March 2011

The recent King Penguin tour to participate in the Altus Kowloon 10s was a great success and an added pleasure was that the touring party was able to support the HSBC Penguin team in the Hong Kong Tens and enjoy the world class Hong Kong 7s on show all weekend.

Formed after our anniversary match against the Lords and Commons at Twickenham, the King Penguins played against the Australian Parliament last October and a rematch is already scheduled during the forthcoming Lions tour.

Kowloon marked the team's third fixture and, in keeping with the traditions of the HSBC Penguins, this makes three games in three different countries. Aply led by David Harris and John Kerr, the team, comprising older heads and a welcome injection of youth from Stellenbosch, combined well and after a slow start produced their best rugby against our friends the Rwandan Silverbacks in the semi-final of the competition, winning by the narrow margin of 7 points to nil. We are coaching the Silverbacks too well! In the final the King Penguins monopolised the ball for the first five minutes, playing excellent 7s possession rugby in their own 22. Unfortunately it was 10s rugby that was required and before they knew it the King Penguins were two tries down, losing to the better team on the day. It will be a wiser and very motivated team that steps onto the field at next year's tournament.



The Kowloon hospitality was tremendous and an unexpected bonus at the tournament dinner was the surprise entertainment provided by John Bentley - MC and ex-British Lion (and an ex-Penguin, too, having played for us in the 1989 Hong Kong 7s). John was exceptionally enjoyable, and he was later joined by fellow England internationals Gareth 'Coochie' Chilcott and James Forrester.

The team has been fulfilling their Penguin duties in giving to others, taking part in excellent coaching sessions for young schoolboys, in particular at the Hong Kong Football Club. Here they were ably assisted by the great John Kirwan and Lawrence Dallaglio. Hard-working Dean Herewini proved to be an exceptional organiser of this session.

The players also volunteered their services to a charity fashion show as catwalk models and so impressed the Society Ladies of Hong Kong that a repeat performance has been requested for next year.

Well done, King Penguins. You did your Club proud - and roll on 2012 for more of the same!

For the latest news about the King Penguins contact John Zimnoch (zimnoch@re-max.com) or David Harris (david_harris@broxburnbottlers.co.uk).

King Penguins at the Kowloon 10s:

Craig Brown (CEO), John Zimnoch (Team Manager), Yuill Irvine (Bagman).

John Kerr (Watsonians, Captain), Keith Wallace (Haddington), Graeme Inglis (Mosman Whales), Ashley Cole (Mosman Whales), Jon Williams (Old Varstonians), Nigel Jeynes (Wales), Marc Figgins (Old Varstonians), Ben Breeze (Bristol), Dawid Swart (Stellenbosch), Gordon Dickson (Watsonians), Andrew Schorn (Stellenbosch), Tom Schorn (Stellenbosch), Ian Hope (Dundee HSFP), Ross Ferry (Metropolitan Police), David Harris (Watsonians), Iain Sinclair (Watsonians), Paul Raeburn (Watsonians), Michael Tack (Stellenbosch).

Altus Kowloon 10s results:

Pool matches: King Penguins 0 - 0 Playmore Panthers,

King Penguins 14 - 12 DEA, King Penguins 21 - 0 Pot Bellied Pigs.

Quarter-final: King Penguins 14 - 0 Peoples' Liberation Army

Semi-final: King Penguins 7 - 0 Rwanda Silverbacks

Final: King Penguins 7 - 21 Playmore Panthers





HSBC Penguins win the London 10s Rugby Festival in Richmond

The inaugural London 10s Festival saw 24 contact teams play in Open, Social and Vet's Divisions on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th June. The first day's play took place in the Old Deer Park and the final rounds were played at the Richmond Athletic Ground, the home of London Scottish and Richmond FC - HSBC Penguins' Coach Steve Hill's Club.

The HSBC Penguins, Captained by Hugh Hogan and comprised of players from London, Northampton, Bedford, Edinburgh, Lisbon and Dublin, took the overall Tens Champions title, winning the Open Cup Final against the Bootleggers RFC from Oxford.

The Penguins' tournament results were: HSBC Penguins 10 - 10 Bootleggers; HSBC Penguins 48 - 5 Wan Chai Wanderers; HSBC Penguins 44 - 0 Nice.

Final: HSBC Penguins 36 - 7 Bootleggers.

This was a terrific result for the Club in a competition that will surely go from strength to strength in years to come - and hopefully provide an annual opportunity to see the HSBC Penguins playing the abbreviated game in the UK.



The HSBC Penguins at Richmond. To see more photographs from the tournament, go to: www.facebook.com/TsunamiSport





Above - The Penguin International RFC 10s squad which won The London 10s Festival in Richmond.

Back row, left to right: Steve Hill (HSBC Penguins Coach), Tim Little, Nigel Southcombe, Hugh Hogan (Captain), Aaron Johnstone, Tim Catling, Chris Eves, Arthur Brenton, Jason Welburn, Craig Brown (HSBC Penguins CEO).

Front row, left to right: Nigel Clarke (HSBC Penguins Manager), Phil Ellis, Graham Barr, Chris Lewis, Xavier Andre, James Strong, Matt Price, Ben Gotting.

Up and coming HSBC Penguins and HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy fixtures/tours

Late September - HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy running coach and referee education for the Gibraltar Rugby Union

Late October - HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy supporting the Abu Dhabi Youth Festival

November 2011 - HSBC Penguins playing in the SCC 7s (4th, 5th and 6th November) and HSBC COBRA 10s (12th and 13th November) in Singapore & Kuala Lumpur

Mid-November - HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy supporting grass roots and youth rugby for the Gibraltar Rugby Union

November 2011 - HSBC Penguin Coaching Academy tour of Singapore and Malaysia plus coaching the Gibraltar RFC.

November 2011 - Grass roots and schools coaching and HSBC rugby festival at the HSBC IRB Dubai 7s

If you wish to join the Penguins on any of these trips please contact Craig Brown - craig.brown@penguinrugby.com

The St James, Caledonian and Penguin International Golfing Society

This Anglo-Scottish mutual Society was founded by Alan Wright in 1998 by merging an English and a Scottish Golfing Society which had played each other for a quarter of a century. The Penguin International RFC was incorporated into the Society in 2006.

The Society has two annual fixtures at outstanding venues. Team competitions are played, and cups are presented to the winners, morning and afternoon. The dates are the same every year: The Berkshire GC (Ascot, England) on the last Friday in June, and The Brunstfield Links GC (Edinburgh, Scotland) on the last Friday in September.

Our next meeting will be at The Brunstfield Links GC on Friday, 23rd September 2011 - please come along if you're free. The golf is played in teams of four, best ball, and they are a very sociable days!

Contacts:

For England - Tony Carpenter: Tel: 01252 793 060. Email: tony@douglasgrove.co.uk

For Scotland: Richard Taylor: Tel: 01620 810 799. Email: richard.taylor@taylorpartners.co.uk





Penguin International RFC and the Rugby Football Union

PIRFC Honorary Vice-President R.A. Reeves elected Rugby Football Union Junior Vice-President

The Club would like to offer its warmest congratulations to Penguin Honorary Vice-President Bob Reeves, who has recently been elected to this high office.

Bob played for Preston Grasshoppers RFC but retired from playing in his early twenties due to knee trouble. He moved to the City of Bristol to work at Bristol University over 30 years ago. He coached University of Bristol RFC for more than 25 years, taking them to four finals at Twickenham. Bob also coached English Universities and England Students for many years and had three stints where he was involved in coaching the Bristol Rugby Club. He is presently Director of Sport, Exercise and Health at the University of Bristol.

Bob has been Chairman of the Students Rugby Football Union for the past ten years and he has represented Students on the RFU full committee since 1995. For most of this time Bob has worked alongside fellow Penguin Honorary Vice-President and Student Rugby Football Union President Derek Morgan - who is himself an RFU Past President (see below) and a member of the Penguin International RFC Advisory Board.

It is interesting to note that when the Penguins played Combined British Universities in 2003 at Iffley Road to celebrate Derek Morgan becoming RFU President, it was Bob Reeves, Oxford University and Penguin IRFC's Coach Steve Hill (now DoR at Richmond FC) and Penguins' Life President Alan Wright who organised the match.

Other Penguins who have held high office in the Rugby Football Union

It is a source of great pride to the Penguins that, although our fame lays in the international field, we have had, over the years, more than our fair share of elite RFU personnel among our Presidents, Honorary Vice-Presidents and Vice-Presidents. Bearing this in mind, we thought it would be of interest to our readers if we were to prepare a list of our very own 'RFU Top Brass' in this Newsletter. It is set out below:

The five Penguins who have served as Presidents of the Rugby Football Union

Douglas Harrison RFU President 1966 - 1967
Penguin President 1986 - 1987

Alan Grimsdell RFU President 1986 - 1987
Penguin Hon VP

Sir Peter Yarranton RFU President 1991 - 1992
Penguin President 2000 - 2003

Derek Morgan RFU President 2002 - 2003
Penguin Hon VP & Advisory Board

Robert Horner RFU President 2003 - 2004
Penguin Hon VP

In addition to the gentlemen listed above, **Bob Weighill** held the office of RFU Secretary between 1974 - 1986. It is a matter of interest that Bob first held the office of Penguin President (1986 - 2000) whilst still serving the RFU as Secretary - the first time that an RFU Secretary had ever held high office in a Club whilst still serving in the Union.

Dudley Wood (Penguin Hon VP) held the office of RFU Secretary between 1986 - 1995.

Captain **Mike Pearey** (Penguin VP) represented the Royal Navy Rugby Union on the RFU Council and **Derek Mann** (Penguin Hon VP) was a Member of the RFU Committee for many years.



The New HSBC Penguins Strip

The HSBC Penguins have released a great new rugby shirt for the 2011/12 season. The shirt is made by Tsunami, and is available in sizes S-XXL. It costs GB£49.99 inc. VAT (GB£41.66 ex. VAT). It can even be personalised with your own name and number for a few pounds more!



The shirt is available from Lovell Rugby in the UK - see the Lovell Rugby website for full details and ordering instructions: www.lovell-rugby.co.uk

Rugby World Cup Penguins

Finally, and what with this being a Rugby World Cup year, we thought it would be interesting to list all of the Penguins that were involved with their countries in the last World Cup in France, 2007. The Club is particularly proud of the fact that some of these men played for the Penguins before ever playing international rugby for their countries.

Australia

Matt Dunning (v. PUC, Paris '06)
Wycliff Palu (Thailand 7s, '01)

Canada

Craig Cuplin (Thailand 7s, '01)

England

Josh Lewsey (COBRA 10s, Malaysia '96)
Andrew Sheridan (v. Cambridge University '98)
Andy Gomersall (v. Oxford University)
Mark Regan (Hong Kong, Singapore and Indonesia '92)
Phil Pask (Physiotherapist)
(Dubai '93, COBRA 10s '95 plus others)

Fiji

Norman Ligairi (COBRA 10s, Malaysia, '00)
Jone Daunivucu (COBRA 10s, Malaysia '04, '05)
Vilimoni Delasau (Middlesex 7s '00)

Italy

Marko Stanojevic (China '00)

Namibia

Emile Wessels (v. Oxford University '04)

New Zealand

Wayne Smith (Hong Kong 7s '88)

Portugal

Antonio DaCunha (National Flag Bearer
and Rugby Legend at the opening ceremony)
(Mexico '04, COBRA 10s '05)

Scotland

Jason White (Brazil & Chile '98)
Marcus Di Rollo (Brazil & Chile '98)
Frank Hadden (Coach - Hong Kong 10s '07)

USA

Todd Clever (COBRA 10s, Malaysia, '04, '05)

We'll list all of the Penguins involved in this year's Rugby World Cup in the Winter Newsletter.

Dick Tyson - Historian and Information Secretary



Penguin International Rugby Football Club Standing Order Form

Please complete and return to:

D.R. Hutton, Treasurer, PIRFC, Loxley, 6 Goldsmid Road, Tonbridge, Kent, TN9 2BT

Three Steps to Complete the Standing Order Mandate

1. Complete the name and address of your Bank / Building Society and details of the account to be debited.
2. Write the amount of the regular payment, including in words.
3. Sign & print your name then date the mandate.

Please set up the following standing order and debit my account accordingly.

To The Manager:-	<input type="text"/>	Bank/Building Society	
Address:	<input type="text"/>		
Please tick relevant box:-	<input type="checkbox"/> New Instruction	<input type="checkbox"/> Please amend previous standing order quoting beneficiary	
ACCOUNT TO BE DEBITED:		BENEFICIARY DETAILS:	
Sort Code	<input type="text"/>	Bank	<input type="text" value="HSBC Bank plc"/>
Account Number	<input type="text"/>	Branch Details	<input type="text" value="Pall Mall, London SW1"/>
Name of Account	<input type="text"/>	Sort Code	<input type="text" value="40"/> <input type="text" value="05"/> <input type="text" value="20"/>
		Account Number	<input type="text" value="5"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="3"/> <input type="text" value="9"/> <input type="text" value="6"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="0"/>
		Beneficiary Name	<input type="text" value="Penguin International Rugby Football Club"/>
Reference (VP name)	<input type="text"/>		
PAYMENT DETAILS:			
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Please continue payment until further notice	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	Date of regular payment	<input type="text"/>
Regular payment in words	<input type="text"/>		
Signature	<input type="text"/>		
Name (Printed)	<input type="text"/>		
Date	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>		



Penguin International Rugby Football Club Annual Donation Form

Your continued financial support of our club is very much appreciated. As you know, the Penguins are generously supported by HSBC. Nevertheless, we continue to rely considerably upon our members' contributions to cover our extensive playing and coaching plans. Please find space below for you to make an Annual Donation.

We will be grateful if you could complete and send this form to the Club's Treasurer with a cheque made payable to "Penguin International RFC".

If you prefer, you can set up a standing order (see previous form) - please complete and send to the Treasurer). If you have paid this year or have set up a standing order, please ignore this request and many thanks.

Please complete and return to:

D.R. Hutton, Treasurer, PIRFC, Loxley, 6 Goldsmid Road, Tonbridge, Kent, TN9 2BT

Name:		Membership no. (if known):	
Address:			
Email:			
Phone numbers:			
Donation Amount:	Cheque enclosed	TICK	
	Standing Order Form enclosed	TICK	
Signed:		Date:	



Penguin International Rugby Football Club Membership Information Update Form

Please use this form to update your personell details so that we can remain in contact with you.

Name:	Membership no. (if known):
Address:	
Home Phone:	
Mobile Phone:	
Work Phone:	
Email:	
Alternative Email:	
Contact preference - email or post:	

Signed:

Date:

Please email to
membership@penguinrugby.com
Alternatively you can go on line at the club's website and fill out the on line form.



Penguin International Rugby Football Club Nomination Form For New Member

Please use this form to nominate new club members. The information requested is used to update the membership database so we can remain in contact with all members.

Any club member can nominate new members and will need the support of one General Committee Member. Any General Committee Member can nominate any new member outright.

If you complete this form by hand, please write clearly in capitals.

When the form is completed it should be sent to the Club Secretary who will process the nomination. Members of the Club are automatically designated as Vice Presidents.

Name:		
Address:		
Email:		
Phone Numbers:		
Date of Birth:	Country: <small>Choose which country you would prefer to be listed under. This can be your country of origin, country of residence or other - your choice</small>	
Brief Professional CV:		
Brief Rugby CV:		
Contact Preference (tick one):	<input type="checkbox"/> EMAIL	<input type="checkbox"/> POST
Name and Signed Proposer:		Date:
Name and Signed Seconder:		Date: