



# The President's Cup: The Fifty Ninth Tournament

Sunday 10th December 2017

Donated by Geoffrey Rimmer, President of RFA Club from 1954 to 1965

Venue: St. Paul's School, Lonsdale Road, Barnes, London, SW13 9JT

This year, the classic format of the President's Cup is once again observed, with all matches in all competitions being played as the best of three games to 15 points.

All participants are guaranteed a full day of fives: this is a doubles tournament open to 32 individuals from which 16 pairs are drawn. Pairs eliminated in the early rounds will be eligible for the three plate competitions all played on the same day. So, lots of matches, four courts and therefore a possible 9.45am or 10.30am start time. Your finish time will vary depending on your progress: the very last ball of the day is hit somewhere between 7pm and 8pm.

Friends and family are very welcome to watch in the (lovely warm) gallery at our new interim venue, and partake of the buffet throughout the day as guests of the Club.

The RFA Club has always ensured entry has been free, but, as ever, any donation on the day by you would be greatly appreciated. To enter this year's tournament please contact Gareth Price. A dedicated email address has been created to help avoid any unfortunate errors. Please could everybody make use of this, even friends/acquaintances of the organiser. Whatsapp, Facebook, text messages and entries via a casual conversation down the pub will not be recorded!

Email : [rfapresidentscup@icloud.com](mailto:rfapresidentscup@icloud.com)

Deadline for entries: Thursday December 7th

We will acknowledge receipt of every application, and all entries must be received by Thursday December 7<sup>th</sup>. Then, on Friday 8<sup>th</sup>, a random draw will take place to select the 32 players who will compete on the day, as well as a list of reserves.

All applicants who are successfully drawn as players or reserves for the President's Cup will be notified immediately. However, please be aware that if you qualify, subsequently withdraw, and the reserve list has been exhausted, you have an obligation to find a reserve for yourself.

All that remains is for us to wish you the very best of luck in applying for an entry. We look forward to hearing from you.

Gareth Price, on behalf of The Rugby Fives Association