Launch of Brewin-Dolphin Girl's Cup 2011-12

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The Edinburgh Reporter attended the launch of the Brewin-Dolphin Girl's Rugby Cup today and met up with Lana Skeldon, a member of last year's winning team, helping to set this year's competition in motion.

Brewin-Dolphin, one of the UK's largest independent investment managers, are in their 11th year of sponsorship of the Schools Competition for both boys and girls in the under-16 and under-18 age groups.

The Competition is composed of three 'levels' — Cup, Plate and Bowl — which gives some of the lesser lights in school's rugby an opportunity to win some silverware for the trophy cabinet.

The fun starts this Sunday.

Entries should be returned to Cathy Shannon (Competitions Coordinator — Cathy.Shannon@sru.org.uk) by 12pm, Friday 21st October 2011.

Brewin Dolphin Girls' Cup Structure

Brewin Dolphin Cup Qualifier Tournaments

Sunday 30th October 2011

In each area (East, Midlands, North and West), a Cup Qualifier Tournament will be run, with the format of each event dependant on the number of entries. Teams should enter the Area Qualifier appropriate to the location of their club / school.

For all 4 events, registration will be 11.30am, with kick off at 12.30pm.

East — Murrayfield Back Pitches (Murrayfield Stadium, Edinburgh EH12 5PJ)

Midlands - Falkirk (Venue tbc)

North — Ross Sutherland RFC (Castle Road, Invergordon, IV18 0AZ)

West - Cartha Queens Park RFC (Dumbreck Road, Glasgow, G41 4SN)

Teams placed 1st and 2nd in these tournaments will proceed to the Cup Quarter Finals. Teams placed 3rd and 4th in these tournaments will proceed to the Bowl Quarter Finals. Any team that does not proceed from the Qualifier Tournaments or the Bowl Quarter Finals will be eligible to participate in the Emerging Teams Festivals taking place in February.

Brewin Dolphin Cup Quarter Finals

29th January - 12th February 2012 (default date 12th February 2012)

Match 1-2nd Midlands Cup Qualifier v 1st North Cup Qualifier

Match 2 — 2nd North Cup Qualifier v 1st Midlands Cup Qualifier

Match 3 — 2nd East Cup Qualifier v 1st West Cup Qualifier

Match 4 - 2nd West Cup Qualifier v 1st East Cup Qualifier

Brewin Dolphin Bowl Quarter Finals

29th January - 12th February 2012 (default date 12th February 2012)

Match 5 — 4th Midlands Cup Qualifier v 3rd North Cup Qualifier

Match 6 - 4th North Cup Qualifier v 3rd Midlands Cup Qualifier

Match 7 — 4th East Cup Qualifier v 3rd West Cup Qualifier

Match 8 — 4th West Cup Qualifier v 3rd East Cup Qualifier

Brewin Dolphin Cup Semi Finals

26th February - 11th March 2012 (default date 11th March 2012)

Match 9 - Winners Matches 1, 2, 3 & 4 - straight draw

Brewin Dolphin Shield Semi Finals

26th February - 11th March 2012 (default date 11th March 2012)

Match 10 — Losers Matches 1, 2, 3 & 4 — straight draw

Brewin Dolphin Bowl Semi Finals

26th February - 11th March 2012 (default date 11th March 2012)

Match 11 - Winners Matches 5, 6, 7 & 8 - straight draw

Emerging Teams Festivals

Sunday 5th February 2012 (venue tbc) - Festival 1

Saturday 25th February 2012 (venue tbc) — Festival 2

Participation in the Emerging Teams Festivals will be open to teams eliminated from the Cup at Cup Qualifier and Bowl Quarter Final stages. In addition, any teams that did not enter the Cup competition will also be allowed to participate. The format of the event will be decided on the day and will be dependant on team entries.

Brewin Dolphin Cup, Shield and Bowl Finals

Sunday 25th March 2012

Winners of the Cup, Shield and Bowl Semi Finals will participate in the Finals at Murrayfield.

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