

Rugby fan dies at Calcutta Cup game



A rugby fan died whilst watching the Calcutta Cup match between Scotland and England at Murrayfield Stadium yesterday.

A spokesman for Scottish Rugby said: "Scottish Rugby is extremely saddened to learn of the death of a supporter attending today's Calcutta Cup match at Murrayfield.

"A 60-year-old supporter, who was watching the Scotland v England match with a group of friends, took ill.

"Paramedics were quickly on the scene and the supporter was transferred by ambulance to Edinburgh Royal Infirmary where he was pronounced dead."

Scottish Rugby Union President Donald Macleod said: "We are extremely saddened to hear of the death of a supporter who attended today's Calcutta Cup match.

"We extend our deepest sympathy to the gentleman's family and friends and we are standing-by to support in any way we can."

RFU President Bob Reeves said: "The rugby family has lost one of its members and on behalf of all the travelling England fans and the RFU we extend our condolences to the gentleman's relations and all those who knew him."

A statement from Police Scotland said: "Police Scotland can confirm that a 60-year-old man collapsed at Murrayfield Stadium at around 5:15pm today. He was taken to ERI where he was pronounced dead. Inquiries are still ongoing but it is believed there are no suspicious circumstances."