



The schools have been on holiday since early July so a lot of our RDOs work this quarter has been with community groups. However before the schools broke up we were able to run a few Tag For Teachers (TFT) tournaments in Nyamasheke, Rwamagana and Kayonza districts. We also ran a TFT training for teachers in Huye district.



Assinapold, RDO for Burera ran a 7s tournament for both male and female teams. It was an opportunity for teams to wear some of the newly donated kit. Big thank you to Christ College, Brecon, Monmouth RFC and Malpas RFC



In Kayonza district as the P6 pupils were preparing for their national exams in preparation for secondary school, Martin organised a fun Tag Rugby session for the pupils as they finish primary school.



In Ernestine's district in Gasabo, Star Day primary school and Kwa Padiri club loved their new kits donated by St Julians HSOBs and the Dragons RFC





Joseph, Ruhango district, ran a 7s tournament for men and women. Joseph's sons did a great job presenting the trophies to the winners! Thanks Christ College Brecon and Clifton RFC for kit.



Lots of children have been involved in holiday rugby sessions and friendly matches. Aisha ran Rugby y'Abana Bato sessions with young children.



Gitisi TSS school was the national secondary school winners and took part in the East African schools' competition which took place in Rwanda this year. They played teams from Uganda and Kenya. Congratulations to Joseph (coach) and also to Sandrine who was chosen as a match official.



In August, Glyn our Chairman, arranged a fundraising gig and played drums in a Beatles Tribute band. It was very well attended with over 250 people and raised around £750 for FoRR. Big thank you to the 'Nowhere Men' for the fabulous music and Kelly for hosting us at the Greyhound Inn, Llantrisant.



In September, Trustee Mike Jones visited Rwanda with Joe Jones and Annie Melville. They travelled around Rwanda and visited some of the RDOs, working with community rugby sessions and taking part in a TFT training in Gasabo district.



The schools started back at the end of September and it was also the first month of work for our new RDOs. We now have 18 full time RDOs working in 16 districts across Rwanda.

Friends of Rwandan Rugby – The Team!

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Burera District
Assinapold

Kamonyi District
Emmanuel

Rubavu District
Spes

Muhanga District
Laurien

Karongi District
Rachel

Nyamasheke District
Frederic

Rusizi District
Aisha

Nyamagabe District
Jean de Dieu

Huye District
Sandrine

Nyanza District
Yvette

Ruhango District
Joseph

Kicukiro District
Shaloom

Rwamagana District
Evariste

Gasabo District
Ernestine

Gasabo District
Didier

Kayonza District
Martin

Kirehe District
Emmanuel



Spes (Rubavu)

We are delighted to welcome four new RDOs to our team. Emmanuel runs a club in the Mahama refugee camp and will run sessions at Paysannat L school where 21,000 children from the camp and the local area are educated. His favourite rugby player is Colin Injera from Kenya. Spes has been a volunteer coach for several years and plays and coaches Rubavu Eagles. His favourite rugby player is Josh Navidi from Wales. Didier has been playing rugby since he was 12 years old. He currently plays for Kigali Sharks. His favourite player is Beauden Barrett from New Zealand. Rachel started playing rugby in primary school. She says becoming an RDO has changed her life. Her favourite player is Donatien who introduced her to rugby when he was RDO in Rusizi.



Emmanuel (Kirehe)

And talking of Donatien, our former RDO, FoRR congratulates him on his appointment as Chief Administrator for the Rwanda Rugby Federation.



Rachel (Karongi)



Didier (Gasabo)

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