

The Swan

Match Centre

An excellent October for The Swans started with a convincing 56 - 0 win over New Ash Green. This was the perfect antidote to the previous week's loss to Sevenoaks who are clearly one of the teams to beat this year.

This was followed up by a fiery contest against Gravesend IVs at Rectory Field. A hard fought and extremely physical encounter saw the Swans emerge as 24-18 victors. We were nursing aching bodies for a few days after this one.

Our next encounter was Tunbridge Wells IVs at home. Swanley started the match half asleep and Tunbridge took an early lead. However, the Swans took hold of the game and despite creating many scoring opportunities were held to a 21-12 victory.

That concluded our league activity for the month and our next fixture was the first round of the Kent Vase. Drawn away against Shooters Hill (formerly a Kent 2 side) this was a good test for us. In great form the Swans ran out 58-7 winners to earn a second round fixture against another Kent 2 side Greenwich.

November Fixtures

4th – Gillingham Anchorians 2s – Away

11th – Old Gravesendians 2s – Home

25th – Sheppey 2s – Home

Full match reports are available at:

<http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/swanleyrfc/>

League Table

At the time of writing The Swans are currently 3rd in the league with a game in hand. Win the game in hand and we go 1st or 2nd depending on the Sevenoaks result. Its tight at the top.

Club News & Events

Mayors Charity Ball

This month the Swans cleaned up their act, donned their best bibs and tucker and headed out to the Mayors Charity Ball. I think it safe to say that our support didn't go un-noticed. As well as no doubt being the noisiest table at the event we managed to buy every item in the charity auction.

A great night had by all after entertaining the french mayor of Swanleys twinned town with our own brand of rugby.

Halloween

Dressing up of a different kind as we attended the Orange Tree for a fine night of Halloween celebrations. Judging by facebook Paul Stephenson stole the night with some strange but interesting moves on the dance floor no doubt inspired by copious amounts of liquid refreshment.

Sponsorship

As we go to press we are delighted to announce that Airey Miller Ltd have agreed to sponsor us. Keen rugby supporters they fill the time between games delivering project construction and development centric professional consultancy services across a range of market sectors including residential, education, healthcare and public sector works. More information will follow in Sponsors Corner in the future.

Sponsors Corner

Our very first sponsors, The Orange Tree are based in Wilmington, Kent, The Orange Tree was built in the 1800's and is by its very nature a quaint pub, in an attractive listed building, located near Dartford. With its recent refurbishment, The Orange Tree now reflects a warm and welcoming family run pub and carvery restaurant. They have a comfortable and friendly atmosphere, with welcoming staff, a large bar area and courtyard style garden. It's worth checking out!

