



Irish Rugby Football Union
P. R. Browne
Chief Executive

Wednesday, 9th December 2015

Dear Honorary Secretary,

On a regular basis the IRFU meets with clubs to discuss all aspects of club rugby in Ireland. It has been 2 years since the IRFU last held a series of meetings with Senior Clubs, during which the discussion was very honest and transparent. However, the IRFU is very conscious that over the last 2 years there have been significant societal and economic forces which are effecting Club Rugby, some of which are outlined in the attached document.

Therefore the IRFU intends to meet with Senior Clubs in regional groups during January 2016. The dates, locations and club attendance schedule is outlined in the attached memo. It is requested that clubs attend with a maximum of three officers from the following club positions (Treasurer, Hon Club Sec, Branch Rep and/or Director of Coaching/Rugby).

A reminder will be sent to clubs in the new year and it is requested at that time clubs respond with their attendees (c/o Tanya Abbas - Tanya.Abbas@IRFU.IE).

The IRFU will also commence auditing of 30% of clubs participating in the Ulster Bank League; the IRFU intends to audit every club which participates in the league on a three year rotation. The Audit will consist of club visit to assess the criteria. Clubs selected will be communicated directly with.

Any queries, please feel free to contact me.

Yours in Rugby,

Gordon Black
Rugby Administration Manager