



Youth Rugby: Give it a Try!

What's New:

The Morris Youth Rugby Union has expanded again. We now have 6 towns running summer youth rugby as the Randolph Rhinos and Byram Bruins have joined the Denville Dawgs, Montville Wanderers, Long Valley Wolfpack and Parsippany Panthers.

Schedule

Practices will be held each Monday and Wednesday evening from 6:00pm to 7:30pm at Knuth field. Scrimmages and games will be held on Saturday mornings from 9:00am-11:00am as per the following schedule. On July 26, our final session will be a tournament to be held in Long Valley from 9am-2pm. Finally, any players interested in seeing some full contact rugby and participating in some touch rugby clinics are welcome to go to Lake Placid on August 2-3. See Tom Feury for details. We realize that many of you have vacations and summer activities planned which may not enable you to make all practices and games. This is fine. We want to keep things light and fun for all. However, for planning purposes, please let your coach know if you cannot make any events as soon as you can.

Saturday June 21	Montville @ Par	Denville @ LV	Randolph & Byram bye
Saturday June 28	Par @ Randolph	Denville @ Montville	LV @ Byram
Saturday July 5	LV @ Par	Montville @ Rand	Byram @ Denville
Saturday July 12	Par @ Denville	Randolph @ LV	Montville bye
Saturday July 19	LV @ Montville	Randolph @ Denville	Parsippany @ Byram
Saturday July 26	Youth Jersey Cup	@ LV – All teams	
August 2nd-3rd	Saranac Lake	Tournament youth	clinic

Kit bags & Practice gear

You are getting more for your money this year with the addition of an official Denville Dawgs kit bag stuffed with all your rugby essentials including team Jersey (deposit required), tee shirt, rugby shorts, mouthpiece (hawks & Eagles), flags, video (new players) and information. Arrive at practice with rugby shorts, flags, t-shirt (does not have to be the dawgs t), soccer shoes, mouth-piece (hawks & Eagles), and always WATER. Warning – you need your flags to play – so don't loose them! Make sure a parent approaches Alan Kapp or Sue Francisco (our administrative assistants) at the tables **each practice** to pick up information, tee shirts, videos, etc... If you'd like to add some Morris Rugby items to your kit bag such as the new Denville Dawgs rugby ball, or a Youth Rugby beach towel, they will be available here.

Official "Denville Dawgs" Rugby Jersey's

Morris Rugby has fronted the money to buy a set of team jersey's for all towns participating in the Morris summer youth rugby league. Each rugger will receive one. We require a \$30 deposit in the form of check. This check will **NOT** be cashed unless you choose to keep the Jersey (which is OK by us). If you choose to return the Jersey after the last game, your check will be returned at that time.

Photos

Team and individual photos will be taken by Ron Vandervalk during the first game in Long Valley on June 21st. If you cannot make that game, Ron can take your individual photo at another time. As always, this matted photo will be given to you for no extra charge.

Teams

Initially, the kids have been broken into four groups based on the school year they are entering: Owl division (pre-k thru 1st), Falcon division (2nd & 3rd), Hawk division (4th thru 6th), and Eagle division (7th Thru 9th) These groups will be further broken down in to approximately 10 person teams.

Practices

The goal of every practice session is to let the kids have fun while improving their rugby skills. Players arriving early will be encouraged to warm up by playing short-sided games and passing the ball around. A fun warm



up game for each division will be held promptly at 6:00pm followed by a short warm up session. Each division/teams will then hold a 40-minute drill session between 6:20-7:00. Finally, we run a twenty-minute game session followed by a warm down until 7:30.

Weather Cancellations

We intend to hold practice unless the fields are closed or if there is dangerous lightning. If you have any doubt as to weather practice is cancelled, call the field hotline at 586-6862. A message will be placed there by 5:00pm weekdays or 8:00am on Saturday's if practice needs to be canceled. Your coach will call you if an away game is canceled.

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