

Lancashire RFU 15's Group Provisional Training Squad 2016/17

Players selected from the DPP & Lancashire Festivals:

Aaron Young	Josh Clamp
Alex Barker	Josh Johnson
Alex Minozzi	Josh McClelland
Alfie Mutch	Keir Gordon
Cameron Niland	Kellan Connoway-Smith
Cian Keane	Kieron Wilkinson
Connor Bailey	Louis Vidamour
Corey Bowker	Max Gardner
Dallas Nelson	Michael Pangbourne
Dan Cooper	Michael Thornton
Eddie Melhuish	Morgan Tyson
Elliot Callow	Ollie Fleetwood
Elliott Berisha	Oscar Elvin
Ethan Caine	Patrick Bishop
Finn Gordon	Paul Hesketh
Fraser Green	Sahil Sapkota
Fraser Jones	Sam Mercer
Harry Murphy	Sufyan Amjad
Jack Heffernan	Will Bowker
Jack Nolan	Zak Sebouai
Jakob Collins	Zaman Ul Haq

Players absent through injury or unavailability invited to the 1st training session for assessment:

Alex Pendlebury
Ben Scott
Benny Carne
Callum McGaughey
Callum Taylor
Charlie Wilkinson
Hayden Williams
Jamie Duffy
Matt Beeley
Shaun Hughes-Grundy
Tom Walker

Thank you to all players and parents for attending Lancashire RFU 15's Group Festival last Sunday @ AKS. As mentioned on the day, the Rugby was a pleasure to watch and that is down to many hours of hard work that takes place every week within clubs, schools and the 3 DPP districts. It is good to see so many young people playing with smiles on their faces and such commitment.

This season Lancashire 15's Group will have 2 teams that will play against Staffordshire (1 team only), Cheshire and Yorkshire. Please be aware that following the 1st or possibly 2nd training session, the training squad will be reduced for a final time to ensure the squad size is suitable so players that attend a number of County sessions get playing time in these fixtures. However, players outside of the final training squad may be invited to join at a later date due to injury or unavailability that inevitably happens over a season.

To ensure that all Lancashire based players in the DPP have an opportunity to be observed by County coaches and selectors, the 11 players that were unable to take part in the Lancashire Festival, due to injury or unavailability, are invited to the 1st training session to be assessed.

For those players that have not been selected in the Lancashire Squad, please ensure you contact your DPP District Lead Coach for main feedback, which should include specific development areas for the future. It is understandable players not progressing at this stage will be disappointed but it is important that you keep enjoying your Rugby, work hard for continued development and reflect on how the experience from the 2 festivals can improve you as a player.

If you have any specific queries regarding selection following the Lancashire Festival @ AKS then please contact Lancashire 15/16 Group Chairman of Selectors, Iain Crosley (iaininc@aol.com).

Congratulations to those players selected in the provisional Lancashire Squad. The 1st session is on **Monday 14th November @ Aldwinians RUFC** (Audenshaw Park, Droylsden Rd, Audenshaw, Manchester, M34 5SN). More details will follow this announcement (such as start times etc...) prior to the 1st session and further information will be given on the evening regarding future dates.

If you **cannot attend** the 1st training session, through injury or unavailability, then please contact the Lancashire 15 Group Manager, Rod Murray (rodneymurray@btinternet.com).

Alex Loney

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