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Hello All,

Formation of a 'Friends of Downs Rugby' Group

The Board of Downs Rugby is keen to establish and grow a group of rugby minded people who would be keen to contribute to the effectiveness of Rugby on the Downs through a close association with Downs Rugby Limited.

It is envisaged that this group (nominally called the 'Friends of Downs Rugby', but the formal title to be confirmed); would most likely made up of retired players, volunteers, parents and supporters. A uniform of Polo shirt and cap, with relevant logo, would be provided.

The group would be hosted occasionally (say monthly), for a BBQ lunch at Rugby House and to get an update on Downs Rugby activities and planning from the Chairman of the Board and GM. Down the track we would also love to try and invite some guest speakers in to talk to us not just about rugby but any interesting topics. Other benefits for the group could be free or subsidised entry to functions, games, events and the like. Importantly, it is hoped that the group would be available from time to time to assist the Board and GM manage Downs Rugby events.

To test the waters for interest, and hopefully kick this initiative off, could I ask you to circulate this to your players, staff, volunteers, supporters and parents, and have those interested persons contact me via email at admin@downsrugby.com.au.

For those not aware; a few years ago Downs Rugby Limited purchased a house along James Street in Toowoomba (Rugby House), and has since turned this house into a Headquarters with office space and a boardroom used by our staff and all of our clubs. We are in the process of trying to upgrade all our memorabilia and display these in Rugby House.

We would hope to kick this initiative off, with the initial interested group, with a BBQ at Rugby House in May.

This information will also be advertised through the DRL website at <http://www.downsrugby.com.au>

Kind Regards,

Rob Johnston | Chairman | Downs Rugby Limited