

Since its launch nearly three weeks ago the County's newest Representative side **The Royals** has begun to catch the imagination of the players & clubs it is aimed at.

Already seven Clubs have put forward players with nominations received from Bolton, Tyldesley, Wigan, Blackburn, Rossendale, Fleetwood and Firwood Waterloo.

Team Manager Howard Hughes commented "We must thank the Clubs who have been quick off the mark in sending nominations thru, but we urge all our eligible Clubs to get cracking before the deadline date of the 1st December, 2016."

The initial squad will be invited to a training session on Tuesday 20th December prior to **The Royals** first game against the Anti-Assassins at Preston Grasshoppers RFC on Tuesday 27th December, kick off 2pm.

All nominations should be sent to The Royals Team Manager howard.3.hughes@bt.com

The County Rugby Development Group have put together an eligibility policy for The Royals with the following articles of which Clubs should take notice of prior to any nominations.

- 1.0 The player must be nominated by their Club.
- 1.1 The Club nominating the player must be a member of the Lancashire County RFU and be placed at Level 5 or below in the RFU League structure.
- 1.2 The player must **NOT** have played at Senior County level. Those players who have played at County Aged Grade level are eligible.
- 1.3 No more than **THREE** players are to be included in any match day squad from any one Club. This is subject to injuries and late replacements and suitably qualified playing positions being taken into account.
- 1.4 Every nominated player **MUST** attend at least one squad training session prior to selection.