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Ospreys Fly North For Summer

After the huge success of last years RWE npower renewables North Wales Rugby Festival, the Ospreys senior squad are once again spreading their wings and flying north, giving rugby fans the chance to see some of the biggest names in world rugby put through their paces.



The senior squad including star names like Duncan Jones, Jonathan Thomas and new signing, former All Black Jerry Collins will be travelling from their Liberty Stadium home, to take part in an action packed day of activities taking place at Rhyl Rugby Club between 10:00am and 17:00pm on Saturday 18 July.

The day will comprise of a number of organised events including an open training demonstration by the Ospreys, specially designed coaching clinics for children from local rugby clubs and a sevens tournament for senior players.

This years festival is set to be bigger and better, with the Ospreys squad also taking part in a number of community events including a visit to Ysgol Craig y Don Primary School to meet the children involved in an M4 coach fire earlier this year, as well as beach clean in Prestatyn, organised by RWE npower renewables in conjunction with the Voluntary Council for Wales.

Katy Woodington, Community Investment Officer for RWE npower renewables said: "We are delighted to once again have the opportunity to deliver the RWE npower renewables North Wales Rugby Festival, and thank all the local rugby clubs involved for supporting the event.

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"Last year's festival was a fantastic day for everybody involved, and we anticipate that this year's event will be just as successful."

"Rugby is at the heart of many Welsh communities, and events such as the rugby festival offer support to local clubs, whilst creating a unique opportunity to unite players and fans. We are committed to working in partnership with the Ospreys to ensure that the communities in which we operate continue to benefit from our sponsorship as it enters its 5th year".

Paul Thorburn, Ospreys Strategic Development Manager, added: "Following the success of the 2008 event, we have once again been invited to attend by our sponsors RWE npower renewables and we are really looking forward to returning to Rhyl where we had such a fantastic welcome last time. There is a real passion for rugby in the area and we are honoured to be a part of what, I'm sure, be a great day for the North Wales rugby community."

