

Handstand Harlequins to represent Cornwall at the Newquay Surf 7's. National Sevens Event.

The Handstand Harlequins Rugby Team, set up to raise funds for Marshall Janson's Handstand Appeal, have been invited to represent Cornwall at this summer's Newquay Surf 7's.

Commented Gerry Reilly, Co-ordinator of the Handstand Appeal, " We are thrilled, very honoured, and extremely grateful to the organisers for allowing us this accolade. The Handstand Harlequins were worthy winners at this Easter's Penryn Sevens, with their team drawing players from both Redruth and Launceston.

Tournament Director Andy Hawken commented " That he is delighted to welcome The Handstand Harlequins to the event, they are a proven Sevens team and are worth of a place in the National Series, I think that the local players will benefit greatly from playing against some of the best sevens players in Europe."

As well as participating in the National Sevens Series, The Handstand Harlequins will be entering a second team in the Presidents Cup, which is to be played on Sunday 18th July.

The Handstand Appeal will also be the event's " Charity of Choice " Newquay Surf 7's are Proud to support the Handstand Appeal" throughout the weekend, supporters of the charity will be performing a bucket collection.

The National Sevens Series kicked off last weekend, in London, with Samurai winning a hard fought Final against Esher. The weekend was a great success with highlights being shown on Sky Sports later this week. Former Cornwall player James Hawken played for Apache, who were narrowly beaten 22 - 21 by Samurai. James was impressed with the high standard of Rugby and said that all the players are excited and looking forward to coming to Newquay in July. The series moves on to Bath this weekend before travelling to Manchester in early July.

Andy Hawken concluded that Newquay Surf 7's is the event that everyone wants to get involved with, either as a player or a spectator. At present I am turning away teams on a daily basis, but I am pleased to say that tickets are selling well.

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