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Reference code: GB 0214 D326

Title: Tylorstown Rugby Football Club

Dates : 2004

Level of description: Fonds

Extent and medium: 0.001 cubic metres (1 volume)

Name of creator(s): Tylorstown Rugby Football Club

Administrative/biographical history

Tylorstown Rugby Football Club was established between 1895 and 1900 during the period of rapid industrial expansion in the Rhondda valleys but its early history is largely undocumented before 1905. The club was unable to progress until it found a permanent but physically unsuitable ground (the 'Stanleytown Tump') near Blaenllechau Isaf farm above Stanleytown in 1907. The gradual development of the sport in the immediate area enabled Tylorstown RFC to join the Rhondda League and the sporting reputation of the club subsequently grew despite lengthy industrial disputes in the local coalmines, a break imposed by World War I (1914-1918) and financial depression in the coal industry during the 1920s. The club was forced to abandon its sports ground at Stanleytown owing to its unsafe condition but eventually obtained a better home at Penrhys Park in 1934 - constructed under an unemployment scheme managed by Rhondda Borough Council - and achieved full Welsh Rugby Union status. The club had to be re-formed in 1945 after World War II and is at present (2004) the only WRU rugby football club in the Rhondda Fach valley. The volume contains a detailed summary of the history of the club between 1903 and 2004.

Archival history

Immediate source of acquisition

Tylorstown Rugby Football Club

Scope and content

See Administrative/Biographical History.

Appraisal, destruction and scheduling information

All records which meet the collection policy of the Glamorgan Record Office

Accruals

Accruals are expected

System of arrangement

Conditions governing access

Open access

Conditions governing reproduction

Normal Glamorgan Record Office conditions apply.

Language/scripts of material

English

Physical characteristics and technical requirements**Finding aids**

Detailed list available.

Existence and location of originals**Existence and location of copies****Related units of description****Publication note****Note****Archivist's note**

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Rules or conventions

This description follows Glamorgan Record Office guidelines based on ISAD(G) compatible cataloguing guidelines for fonds level descriptions used by the Archives Network Wales.

Date of description

10 September 2004

D326/1	Tylorstown Rugby Football Club (100 Years). "A Home Game", by Elwyn Thomas (Centenary Handbook 1903-2003/4) illustrated [1 volume; good condition]	2004
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