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HARRY TEE WINS BIRFC UNDER 11S PLAYER OF THE SEASON

Harry Tee has beaten off stiff competition to win ABC Selfstore Player of the Season for the Battersea Ironsides Mini Rugby under 11 squad. The 10 year old is one of the clubs upcoming stars who helped them reach quarter finals in the Surrey County Festival Championships in March, where they narrowly missed out on a semi-final place being beaten by Richmond on penalties.

David Gardiner-Hill, under 11s Team Manager said, "Harry Tee thoroughly deserves this hard fought award. He's part of a hardworking team that some of the leading rugby clubs in the country, Richmond, Effingham, Rosslyn Park and Kings Mini regard as a 'team to beat' in 2008/9. I want to congratulate all the 11s players on their efforts and thank the team sponsors ABC Selfstore for their support." He continued, "All our minis teams have made Surrey sit up and notice the new inner city kids on the block. We're going from strength to strength with the under 9s, 10, and 12s all of whom are also finalists at Surrey County Championship and finalists in the Harlequins Curtain Raiser Cup."

The under 11s side are sponsored by local Self storage firm ABC Selfstore. Paul Gray, Assistant Manager at ABC Selfstore, Wandsworth and a senior player at the club, said, "ABC Selfstore have been sponsoring the Battersea Ironsides mini rugby under 11s for over three years, providing team kit and other support. I want to congratulate the whole team on their really solid showing this year and Harry Tee on winning the ABC Selfstore Player of the Season. I'm also delighted to confirm ABC Selfstore will be sponsoring the side for the 2009/10 season."

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Battersea Ironsides Minis RFC was formed in 1995 by a group of parents with the aim of providing facilities for boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 18 to learn to play the game and develop their skills. Today the Minis and Juniors section of BIRFC is a leading club in Surrey RFU and has a good turnout at every year group, we welcome youths of 17 and some micros start having fun with the ball from the age of 4.

The Battersea Ironsides Rugby Minis prize giving and funday took place on Sunday 26th April. A full list of awards can be found on the Battersea Ironsides website.

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Notes to Editors

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2. **Contact** Mr Paul Gray, Assistant Store Manager, ABC Selfstore Wandsworth, Tel. 020 8874 3555.
3. The event has been organised and arranged by the Battersea Ironsides Rugby Football Club.
4. ABC Selfstore Wandsworth sponsors the Battersea Ironsides Rugby Football Club through the provision of team kit and other support.
5. ABC Selfstore operate self storage across London - in Camden, Southwark and Wandsworth.
6. Battersea Ironsides is a small, friendly social rugby club, renowned for its hard rugby. Located in Earlsfield, just 7 miles from the centre of London.
7. The address is: Battersea Ironsides Rugby Football Club, Burntwood Lane, Earlsfield, London, Tel. 0208 8749913 Web: <http://www.birfc.co.uk>
8. The Under 11s Team Manager is David Gardiner-Hill, tel. 07775 564764.

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