**OCTOBER/NOVEMBER DISCIPLINE REPORT**

The case involving the Launceston Colts coach saw the club pass down a 2 week ban for disrespect. The CRFU panel added on 2 weeks aggravation as per the RFU Head of Judiciary Guidelines making a 4 week ban.

The case involving the Veor player Reg 9:28 disrespect. A one week ban, with 2 weeks aggravation added, giving a total sanction of 3 games.

A Launceston player was shown a red card during their match against Exmouth Reg 9:27 Other (Entering the field of play without referee’s permission) this was to participate in a melee. The player was given a 2 match ban for this offence.

In addition the same player from Launceston was cited by Exmouth under Reg 9:12 Strike. The offence was placed at the High End as the Exmouth player was knocked out cold. The case was proven and the player handed a further 18 match ban for this offence.

There were two cases under Reg 9:27 (2 yellow cards) for a player from Illogan Park and one from St. Just. In both cases the sending off was deemed sufficient punishment.

The Reg 5:12 case brought by the RFU against Hayle RFC has been concluded by hearing. The Management Board have been previously circulated about the sanctions imposed on the club. The hearing result and judgment are available on the RFU website.

A player from Truro Women RFC was shown a red card for a strike to the head contrary to Reg 9:12. I believe this first case in Cornwall involving a female player at senior level. The player was given a 3 match ban. The NC 3 West against Exeter Saracens Ladies was abandoned following the red card when Exeter Saracens left the pitch. The referee filed a Match Abandoned report. The matter was reported to RFU Discipline and Devon RFU Discipline for further action against Exeter Saracens for causing the game to be abandoned.

A player from Penryn RFC was sent off under Reg 9:12 Strike in their game against Redruth II. Penryn immediately banned the player for 6 weeks pending the outcome of their disciplinary process. The 6 weeks were then confirmed by the club. The case went to a CRFU Zoom hearing. The player pleaded guilty to the charge and given a 13 match ban as this was judged a Top End offence.

Another player from Launceston was sent off in their match against Matson for a Reg 9:13 offence, dangerous tackle. Launceston dispute the red card so the case was heard via Zoom. The panel upheld the red card with the Launceston player banned for 4 games.

At present we have dealt with or in the process of dealing with, nine cases so far this season in the adult game.

I completed on-line the Discipline audit for the RFU, this will be reviewed in the New Year.

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