



## SG BLACK N' BLUE RUGBY 2021 ANNUAL SUMMARY

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### 2021 Rugby Abteilung Summary:

I would like to thank Simone, Stefan, Volker, Wolfgang and the TSV members for support this past year. It was a great experience for the American Soldiers who got to experience a small bit of the Frankisch culture.

**Youth Rugby:** The 2021 rugby winter and spring seasons were postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic Rugby Verband Bayern with guidance from the German Federal Government, BLSV and the Deutscher Rugby Verband all planned indoor and outdoor tournaments were to be cancelled until fall of 2021.

The youth program resumed training in June and continued training through November of 2021. A total of eight youth players regularly participated during training at the TSV Burgbernheim sports fields. Indoor rugby training is planned to start in January 2022 pending Covid-19 restrictions.

Although we have lost a number of youth players during these COVID-19 months, we have added new ones and feel we still have a core nucleus of interest with the youth team continuing to recruit through advertisement in the local region and gaining another four youth players this past season.

### 2021 YOUTH FALL RUGBY SERIES:

A total of three tournaments were allocated for the youth rugby. SG Black N' Blue was able to participate in one tournament that was hosted by TV Nurnberg. The U6 (one player) mixed with Unterfoehring and won first place from six teams. Three U12 players mixed with Hersbruck/Lauf Rugby club and Bayreuth and won second place from four teams.

### 2021 YOUTH WINTER & SPRING RUGBY SERIES:

Cancelled – COVID-19 Restrictions per Rugby Verband Bayern, BLSV and Deutscher Rugby Verband.

### 2021 PLAYER STATISTIC:

Registered Players February 2020					Registered Players September 2021				
Team	TSV BBH	Probe	TV BW	Probe	Team	TSV BBH	Probe	TV BW	Probe
U16	0		3		U16	0		2	
U14	1		4		U14	3	1	0	
U12	2	1	1		U12	5	2	0	
U10	2	1	0		U10	0	1	0	
U8	1		0		U8	0		1	

**Men's Rugby:** We are excited to report that the men's rugby program was reestablished in the summer of 2021 due to the large interest within Illesheim's current military population. A total of 38 Soldiers and local players registered to participate in summer tournaments and the Rugby Verband Bayern league. The majority of registered players had never



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played rugby before and this was quite the challenge from a coaching perspective. Due to work requirements and some injuries, there was a core of 16 active players on the men's team that participated in league play. Due to the rotation of Soldiers every nine months, the majority of the team departed for the U.S. in November. The new unit based out of Texas has already showed great interest and will begin training in late January at the Illesheim sports fields.

## **Men's Summer Rugby:**

TV Lauf 10s Rugby Tournament- SG Black N' Blue won first place out of three teams.

Wuerzburg 7s Rugby Tournament- SG Black N' Blue was eighth place from eight teams.

RVBY Verbands League North Fall Season- The men's team played a total of six league matches in which TSV Burgbernheim hosted three matches. The team won only one match but showed great improvement throughout the season.

RVBY Verbands League North Spring Season- The dates for two home and two away matches are set to take place in April and May 2022.

## **2021 Team Sponsorship Donations:**

- Medienservice Winter & Schloepf (Bad Windsheim) - Donation of rugby 200 posters.
- Illesheim Rugby Football Club – Training equipment and Uniforms (3200.00 Euros), Player Passes (380.00 Euros)
- Franken Knights American Football Club – Monetary Donation towards new uniforms (300.00 Euros)
- Die Zahnaerrzte am Neumuehlenweg, Bad Windsheim – Monetary Donation towards new uniforms (500.00 Euros)

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