

April 12, 2005

Romsey hosts national frisbee tournament.

Southampton's Ultimate Frisbee Club is hosting the first event of the 2005 ultimate frisbee season, on Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 April.

Teams from around the country will come to Mountbatten School in Romsey to compete in the two-day tournament, the first of four events that make up this summer's mixed league. In this division teams must have an equal number of men and women on the pitch. The final will be played at 3pm Sunday. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be available on-site.

"We're really excited to be hosting this event. It's always a great experience to be playing the best teams in the country," said Andy Kayley, president of the club and tournament organiser. "As one of only two mixed clubs representing Britain at the European Championships, it's important for us that we do well domestically in the build-up to Germany. Of course, we'll also be able to show off Romsey to teams from as far away as Cardiff, Brighton and Leeds!"

The home club has entered two teams in this weekend's tournament, part of their preparation for the European Ultimate Club Championships, to be held in Germany this July. The club is also running a prize draw to help raise funds for the trip. Tickets will be on sale this weekend, and prizes include an iPod, a DVD player, shopping vouchers, cinema tickets and, of course, frisbees.

Ultimate Frisbee is a fast-moving athletic team sport played by thousands worldwide. To compete, players must possess a degree of speed, stamina and agility matched in few other sports. Played with a flying disc, the idea of the game is catch the frisbee in an area at the end of the pitch, known as the endzone. Players are not allowed to run with the disc and only have 10 seconds to throw it.

Notes for editors

Call 07768 806885 to arrange an interview with Club President Andy Kayley, to arrange a photocall or visit to one of the team's Southampton practices.

Visit the team's website: www.ltdrelease.co.uk/mixed_tour_1.php for more information on the sport and the tournament.

Ends