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**Harlequins FC Visit Rich May Field - Monday, August 1, 2016
Rugby Clinics, Autograph Signing, Meet the Players**

Where: Rich May Field, 1425 Bay Road, East Palo Alto
What: Welcome the Harlequins FC to East Palo Alto and the Rich May Field
Who's invited: Everyone who loves Rugby
Date & Time: Monday, August 1, 2016 from 4:00pm to 7:00pm

There will be three clinics beginning just after Harlequin FC Player and Coach Introductions. The clinics will be divided by ages, with autograph signing, photos and a BBQ to follow. "We are delighted to welcome the Harlequins Football Club from England to the Rich May Field and to share the love of rugby with area youth and we are looking forward to a very fun afternoon", said Frank Merrill, President of the Rich May Foundation.

"Our players are excited to conduct these clinics, meet players and families and sign autographs. We continue to look for talented youth - male and female to excel in the sport we love - Rugby. We are all especially pleased that Rugby will be in the Olympic Games in Rio, and it is entirely possible that some of the clinic attendees will themselves be playing in future Olympic Games." added Will Skinner, Head of Business Development, Harlequins FC. Support for the event is provided by The Rich May Foundation and the Harlequins Football Club.

About the Rich May Foundation: The Rich May Foundation was created to honor the mission of Officer Richard May who was killed in the line of duty in 2006 in East Palo Alto. To date the Foundation has raised \$2,500,000 and built the ONLY first-class regulation size, all-weather athletic field for soccer and rugby in the City of East Palo Alto.

About Harlequin FC: Based in London, Harlequin FC was founded in 1866 and has been a stalwart of English Premiership Rugby since the sport became professional in 1995. The club is famous for its quartered shirt and expansive and exciting style of play, which dates back to the early 1900s. The 2016/2017 season will see the club celebrate its 150th anniversary where it will honour its heritage and long tradition of contributing to the top tier of domestic and international rugby. The club's international honours include 24 England captains, 157 England players, and a further 274 Harlequin FC players have represented 18 different countries on the global stage. The club's academy has repeatedly been assessed as the best in the country, demonstrating the club's commitment to player development and providing a clear pathway to first team and international selection.