

## **Key National Themes**

This season will see the implementation of the new male pathway structure which includes the new regional skills camps replacing the former playing / selection programme at S2 level through U15 level. The development of the new national rugby curriculum and associated quality resources is also well underway with a focus on the crucial S1 to U15 stage. The opportunity is there now to help current S1, S2, U15 players and their coaches, to acquire and develop these key skills in time for the start of new regional camps in April 2011.

The Key National Themes project which was first launched in 2006, with endorsement of then National Coach Frank Hadden, has now been reviewed and with the full support of Andy Robinson is being re launched.

The four Key National Themes are:

- 1. Hand Catch / Grab**
- 2. Ball Presentation**
- 3. Offload**
- 4. Individual Tackle**

Tayside & Fife will be holding a Regional Launch of the Key National Themes on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at the Loch Leven Community Campus in Kinross. This launch is open to all club and school coaches however I would encourage all coaches currently working at S1, S2 and U15 to attend to ensure that their players have the best possible chance of progressing through the Scottish Rugby Pathway programme.