



The New Orleans French Quarter Masters Rugby Tournament is the weekend of April 11th, 12th and 13th.

The first match on Friday is scheduled for 1 p.m., so it's possible to arrive Friday morning. Final details with a schedule will be sent later to those who have confirmed they are going.

The plan is to have 8 sides; an eight team bracket with every team guaranteed 2 matches, 3 for the 4 teams in the championship and consolation finals. The following teams have expressed interest – The Texas XXXs, Memphis Old Elvis', Morristown N.J., LSU old boys, Mobile Old Boys, New Orleans Vieux Garcons, Tulane Old Boys.

This master's event is to be held in conjunction with the French Quarter Festival which includes music, food, and beverages at Jackson Square and Riverfront Park. The Rugby complex and clubhouse is 10 minutes away from the festival.

The plan is to get the rugby done early both days with an award ceremony including food and beer early in the afternoon on Saturday at the New Orleans Rugby Pub, located a few blocks from the pitch. Go to <http://www.neworleansrugbyclub.com/> for directions to the pitch.

The music schedule for the festival goes from 11 a. m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 11-7 on Sunday, the Quarter doesn't close, so there will be plenty of time for the Festival and Bourbon Street. You can check out the festival line up at <http://www.fqfi.org/>

Special room rates for the French Quarter Masters Rugby Festival have been processed for booking at the Hilton Garden Inn.

The rate at the Hilton - Garden Inn Convention Center is \$99.00.

The link to their website is:

<http://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/hotels/index.jhtml;jsessionid=UUYHSFXJKEYACC SGBJF222Q?ctyhocn=MSYGIGI>

You can reserve a room by calling the toll free number at 1-877-782-9444 (877-StayHgi), you need to ask for the ****French Quarter Masters Rugby Festival**** rate.

If you want to book reservations online, you can go to <http://www.hgi.com> and the ****Group Code**** for either property is ****RUGBY****.

Once your travel arrangements are made, please send an e-mail telling us you're coming at PoohBah@TexasXsRugby.com .

Thank you and see you soon.

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