

OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY NEWS

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1ST GRADE REPORT

FROM THE TOUCHLINE

The First XV showed no mercy in its match against Southern Suburbs last week and gave the opposition a hiding with a glorious 76-9 victory. Games against lower order teams are most valuable for practising tactics and perfecting strategy, so let's end the first round on a high note with profitable results over the well rated Woodville and Elizabeth teams.

Collegians were well on top from start to finish against S. Suburbs and little else can be said about the trend of play. We won virtually all set play, and both forwards and backs had no trouble in running, making breaks and scoring tries. S.S. defence was practically non-existent which was a pity because a few more successful tackles against our men would have been of value in testing our ability to back up, or regain the loose ball. We had a slump just after half time however, when play was confined to our territory and unforgiveably we allowed the opposition to cross our line due to our slowness to cover defend.

Of our total score, 42 points were scored in the first half and came from eight tries and five conversions. We scored only six tries in the second half and converted four. Neil Schwartzler scored four tries, Dave Jacobs three, John Boswell and John Manson (sub for Farrow after half time) each two. One try each was scored by Eric Thiele, Rod Hauser and Greg Dixon. Ten goals were kicked by Mick Logan.

Most members of the team played very well and many of our tries were scored because players combined well, throwing the ball around and backing up with a reasonable amount of certainty. My list of good players is too long to relate with reasons, but congratulations are due to the whole team for a magnificent spectacle.

2ND GRADE REPORT

(THE BIG RED)

A much improved highly polished game was witnessed at Bailey on Sunday where the seconds strongly defeated Whyalla. In comparison to last week's game the rise in standard of play was unreal. The game was almost faultless everyone doing the right thing (knuckles)

From the start the game appeared to be very even with no score eventuating until well into the half, although we missed a couple of tough penalties. Forwards were working well together gaining plenty of ball from both set and loose play which in turn was fed constantly to the backs. Mike Millar (charger) played a very versatile game at full back. Joining into the back line to give us the overlap, resulting in a couple of good tries. Half time 15-0

SECONDS Cont

The second half was not as attacking and we were lucky to keep Whyalla's score to zero after our backs missed a few easy tackles. The game ended in an slightly disappointing way with players losing their tempers and several injuries. Final score 21-0. Bainbridge played another beauty, Frank Miller as well - if we can keep our standard as high as this there should be no worries. Good work
A.J.D.

3RDS REPORT

The thirds had a convincing win over Southern Suburbs on Saturday to stay on the top of the table. The team started strongly with the backs utilising quick hand work to send Chris Sweeting over for the first try. At this stage of the game Collegians did not appear to be rucking the loose ball fast enough, and so lost a lot of the advantage they gained. From this stage of the game until half time the score continued to mount steadily, mainly due to the quick passing in the back line. Scores at half time were 35-4.

After half time OC's started to slow down in the heat and enthusiasm waned. The forwards then started to hunt more as a pack and this resulted in a couple of tries. Once again Southern Suburbs seemed to become demoralised and OC's scored time after time. However once again a combination of fitness and heat began to tell on the team and they began to give away penalties, which resulted in two penalty goals for Southern Suburbs. Final score 73-1.

The thirds played well against weak opposition and kept the pressure on for most of the game. However the few times OC were forced on the defensive the tackling was appalling. Against stronger teams we will have trouble unless the tackling is improved.

We appreciated Dick Dutton's action in turning out stripped to act as a reserve, he saw no reserves had been named. HEC

4TH GRADE REPORT

On the Sunday the 4ths played a good game to beat a tight opposition, Whyalla who looked dangerous for the full time. Final score was 10-6. The game was played hard and at times became rather unruly with light relief being given to the spectators by Dick Dutton and Dave Strachan. It was good to see the 4ths playing a hard tight game and it is hoped that this form will continue and the fourths along with the other teams will live up to expectations.

FOUND

One pair of sunglasses at the Kingswood Oval on our spectators side. Contact Howard Clay for information.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Players in the 2nd & 4th grade next week will be happy to hear that the Army will be having a BBQ with suitable refreshments after the matches at Woodside. All invited to stay and sample Army cooking - Map in charge rooms (we hope).

Bert Rogers Starts Again

Many thanks go to Bert and Dot Rogers for inviting everyone up to their place for a meal. It was enjoyed greatly by all who went - so were the beers.

SUBS !!!

Must be paid now to A Davidson or D Leslie and dont forget the forms for Chris Sweeting.

Teams to play Saturday 13th May.

1st Grade	2nd Grade	3rd Grade	4th Grade
M Logan	M Millar	C Watters	F Desfontaines
D Jacobs	A Davidson	Sweeting	Bew
R Gamlin	Smith	Clark	Dawson
G Dixon	Yates	Maxwell	D Farrah
N Schwartzner	Leickie	Sanger	P Farrah
K Watters	Mitchell	Tye	Hayes
R Hauser	Bainbridge	Suttell	Goodwin
J Boswell	Roberts	Bennett	Strachan
D Farrow	F Miller	Hirsch	D Gamlin
Thiele	I Scott	Quodling	Whiting
W Franks	Pearson	Tench	S Saint
P Douglas	Owens	Shephead	Whitehouse
F Szuster	Grace	Leslie	Dutton (3)
M Guerin	Manson	Mooney	Chatfield
R Burgess	Synott	Tubbenhauer	Wood
RES	RES	RES	RES
Tye	Trengrove	Grayson	Ellis
Sanger	Evans	Wood	Nicholls
Watters			Sauer
T Maxwell			T Scott

Not Available: - Jordan D Fraser T Shanahan T Messner G Balodis
S Hutton D Robinson A Blackburn Tomkins D Cooper
H Kerr Grant P Munday G Jacobs J Press

Who is not fit? Who is not playing their best?? Who was not training.
How do you feel if a few of the above N/A blokes return within the
next few weeks??? Safe? - let's all start training-solidly.

Games for Saturday 13th May

1st Grade Old Collegians v's Burnside Tregenza Oval 3.00 p.m.
2nd Grade " " v's Salisbury Teachers' College - West Parklands 3.00 p.m.
3rd Grade " " v's Burnside Tregenza Oval 1.30 p.m.
4th Grade " " v's Army Woodside 1.30 p.m.

All players must be ready 40 minutes before respective matches
A map of how to get to Woodside will be up in the Tregenza change rooms.