

# TREGENZA TIMES

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## FINALS EDITION

*In this edition you'll find all our finals' results, as if you didn't already know them! And although we would have liked a trio of flags to cap off a great year, Hamish had it right when he said on presentation night that we have had the ride of our lives this year and our players are to be congratulated. Hats off to every one of them. It's been a great year. This edition also brings you all the results of the junior, senior and state presentations. If you have anything you'd like to contribute to the next Tregenza Times, email your friendly editor (Kim Evans) at [kevans@normans.com.au](mailto:kevans@normans.com.au) or just front up to her at the bar.*

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## NEWS

### 2002 GRAND FINAL - CONGRATULATIONS PORT ADELAIDE RUFC!



**Congratulations go to Port Adelaide, to Steve and Helen Hall, the players, the supporters, the coaches and administrators for Port's wins in the first and second division.**

With three teams in the Grand Final on 21st September, Old Collegians won the 3rd division premiership but lost the 2nd and 1st division premierships to Port Adelaide (full match reports appear *later*). The 2nd division game always looked as though it was an even chance to win and the final score of 20 - 24 reflected this. In the 1st division game, Collegians lost to a stronger side, with consistently strong defence spoiling our chances of scoring. Port Adelaide should, and no doubt will, take a great deal of satisfaction from the results. Port's 2nd division's last

premiership was 46 years ago, and despite a minor premiership win 50 years ago the first division have never before won a premiership. The last four years have seen Port Adelaide rebuild from a club with 3rd division and 4th division sides only to a club that has taken the 1sts and 2nds premierships. They have overcome a number of hurdles, and are respected as hard, disciplined players. This is a good result for the rugby competition in South Australia. Collegians look forward to meeting Port again in 2003! Congratulations also go to Southern Suburbs on winning the Women's Grand Final against University.

# Honeywell



## WORLD CUP QUALIFIERS

Australia's competition in the pool matches of the 2003 World Cup has now been finalised. In Pool A, the Wallabies will face Argentina, Ireland, Namibia and Romania. The game in Adelaide on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2003 will see the Wallabies play Namibia at Adelaide Oval.

## WORLD CUP TICKETS

As we all know, the Rugby World Cup is on its inexorable way to our own front door. It will be held over 44 days in October/November 2003. The price for the games in Adelaide will range from between \$10 and \$60.

Tickets are offered in four stages: first to venue members, secondly to the 'rugby community', thirdly to the public and finally by a ballot for 'prime matches'. You are considered a member of the rugby community if you are a player, coach, trainer, manager, volunteer, member, parent/guardian of a junior player (etc etc etc).

A ticket purchase book should have already been mailed to you directly by the ARU on 14th October 2002. As a member of the rugby community, you can buy as many as 50 tickets for most pool matches. A ballot on 12th February 2003 determines who may buy tickets to premium games. The more tickets to pool matches that you buy, the greater your chance of winning the ballot. If you win the ballot, you may buy a maximum of between two and four tickets to a premium game, depending on the game.

Check out [www.rugby2003.com.au](http://www.rugby2003.com.au) for more details, or call the ticketing hotline on 1300 888 412

## 45TH COLLEX ELIZABETH SEVENS

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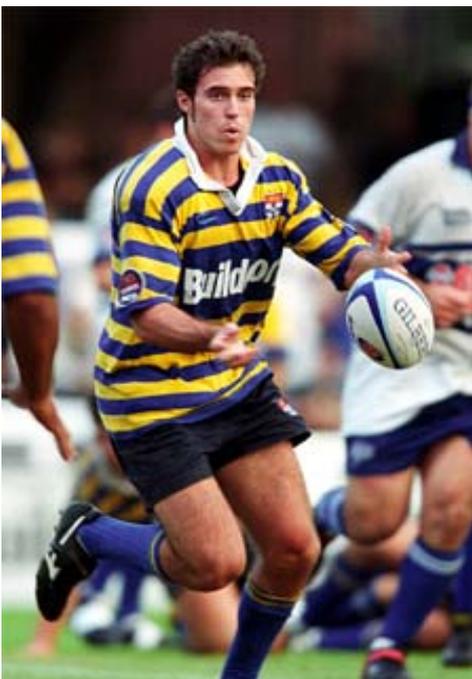
Elizabeth Rugby Union Football Club will host the 45th Collex Elizabeth Rugby Sevens on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2003. This tournament is claimed to be the oldest rugby Sevens tournament in the Southern Hemisphere. Old Collegians always submits a senior team and a women's team – and the option is there for the veterans too. Let's get a decent showing out there in 2003 – which means showing up to pre-season in January/February 2003.

## 2003 CALENDAR

A Club calendar for 2003 is now available! Copies will be on sale at the Annual General Meeting / Christmas Drinks on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2002. In addition to fourteen photos of the club, its games and its people, the calendar also shows all SA school holidays, all public holidays, all Super 12 games and all Wallaby games and World Cup finals. Pick up a copy!



## TOOHEY'S CUP



On 12<sup>th</sup> October 2002, Eastwood won the inaugural Tooheys New Cup (which is the Sydney premiership trophy) with a 19 to 15 win over Sydney University at Aussie Stadium.

The score broke down as follows - Eastwood 19 (M.Dunning try; T.Donnelly con; T.Donnelly 4 pens) against Sydney University 15 (B.Cannon, P.Howard 2 tries; B.Martin con; B.Martin pen).

Eastwood opened the scoring through a penalty goal to Tim Donnelly but Sydney University hit back almost straight away when Brendan Cannon scored the opening try of the match, from a great cut our pass by the fly half, **our very own Brock James** (pictured left, photo from the Sydney Uni Website <http://www.sportsunion.usyd.edu.au/football/>), to Michael Griffin who stepped inside Eastwood fullback Peter Miller before passing inside to the unmarked Cannon.



# DIVISION 1

## QUALIFYING FINAL Port Adelaide 34 v Old Collegians 19



Brighton won the chase for the 2002 minor premiership, which meant the Firsts had to play the qualifying final against Port Adelaide on 31<sup>st</sup> August. This was a tough assignment for our men, who, after holding the opposition to a two point lead at half time, ran out of steam in the second term and failed to add to our score. The losing margin was 15 points.

Colls looked striking early in the match. We dominated the line outs, performed well against the strong Port pack in the scrums and controlled the ball in the phase play. Our sharp attack did well to keep the Port defences on the alert inside their 22 at this stage, during which Jon Collins broke free into open space with a 15 metre run to touch down near the goal posts. Our inside backs, Ben Suttell, Barney Bloxham and Shaun Gough, created several other scoring chances, but strong pressure from Port forced errors and stopped us in our tracks, although Barney did kick a penalty goal.

As time wore on, Port gained a greater share of possession and forced us onto the defensive. Their big fast men linked up, launched a number of movements and found gaps out wide, which we had to plug at the last minute. Twice

though, Port made an overlap and scored converted tries. Between these instances, Barney kicked another penalty goal, and another one later that tied the score. We took the lead again when we won a scrum near the Port 22 metre line and sent the ball to winger Juan Aguiar who beat two tackles and grounded just inside the corner post. We gave away a penalty just before halftime and Port got a converted try from the tap kick.

The second half provided a tense battle between the evenly matched sides. Kini Tavui was among the best of our forwards; he forced play ahead many times and also tackled effectively. Jon Collins and Andrew Beare, among others, made solid contributions to keeping the Port attack at bay. Port scored one try during this half, but this was only after hammering at us for a lengthy spell inside our 22, when they finally forced the vital gap in our line after winning a scrum five metres from the goalposts. At other times during the term, we did well to cover gaps that appeared when Port ball carriers drew our defence one way and changed direction.

We continued to win a good share of the ball and produced some good spells of attacking play inside Port territory. However, although we strove hard, we didn't have enough sting or potency in our assault to make the breach necessary to score any more tries. Two penalty goals to Port late in the match took the final score to 34-19.



## PRELIMINARY FINAL Old Collegians 15 v Southern Suburbs 44

In the minor semi final at Bailey Reserve on 7<sup>th</sup> September, the Firsts overwhelmed the gritty Southern Suburbs side with a late try scoring spree to win 44-15. The result was a just reward for consistent courageous tackling by Colls that prevented Souths from scoring any tries. Souths' points all came from penalty goals.

Colls attacked from the outset and, despite facing a blustery headwind, confined Souths to their territory for a long spell. After only seven minutes Juan Aguiar scored the first try when we shifted the ball quickly from a scrum win. Barney Bloxham converted easily before kicking two penalty goals later to increase the margin. We won line outs efficiently with Bernard Hickey leaping high to secure the ball safely and we spoilt a number of Souths' throws. Our scrum work was good; we retained possession in the phase play and drove the action forward by utilising forwards and backs in attacking moves. When Souths got more ball later in the first half we spoilt their attempted forays with stout defence.



We infringed a number of times in rucks and mauls, which enabled Souths to kick three penalty goals to reduce our lead to four points at half time.

Souths assailed us inside our 22 just after half time and almost scored tries a couple of times, but we soon took play to the other end where we won a lineout to enable us to create a rush that culminated in Juan scoring his second try for Barney to convert. The opposition made desperate attempts to regroup their forces but faced solid tackling by our men, who gave Souths' inside backs little chance to build useful moves. Two more penalty goals gave them some encouragement, but in the last 20 minutes they wilted under the relentless barrage they confronted. Kini Tavui and Jon Collins led the way, with able support from Richard Czeglik, Christian Tedge and others. Barney Bloxham and Shaun Gough figured strongly in the back line, backed up well by Juan Aguiar and Nick Walsh.

We scored four times in this late period. A formidable run by Kini ended with his scoring a try. Stewart Douglas got the next one when Shaun Gough made a brilliant break, passed three defenders and Juan continued the run before finding Stewart who touched down. Juan then scored his third try of the match. Nick scored the last try of the match. Barney kicked two more conversions. Although Souths pinned us down inside our 22 in the final moments, we had well and truly won the game.

### **SEMI FINAL Old Collegians 19 v Brighton 15**

After playing the almost entire game having to trade penalty goals with Brighton in the preliminary final at Bailey Reserve on 14<sup>th</sup> September, the Firsts snatched the lead for the first time in the game when they constructed a do-or-die charge along the touchline that culminated in the only try of the match just before injury time. Colls won 19-15.



Both teams got off to a shaky start, having to contend with a stiff breeze, but Colls were the first to gain and hold territory for a substantial time. We had a hard fight to retain possession as Brighton defended robustly against our inside back combination, which tried valiantly to break through any perceived weak links. The match developed into a battle between the forwards to prevent turnovers in mauls and rucks. We missed two early shots at penalty goals, before we suffered a bout of fumbling that saw Brighton drive us back to our 22 and kick their first penalty goal. They kicked another shortly afterwards. Their third came after Barney Bloxham kicked the first of four for our side. The score at half time was 6-9 and by late in the second half it was 12-15.

Throughout the match, we kept Brighton's fast runners in check and didn't allow them into open space where they could link up and create the overlap out wide. We also ensured that there was no room for successful attacking rushes against us through the middle. For the second week in a row, our opposition failed to score a try; a feature that we should credit to Colls' alert, sturdy

defence on the day. Our tackling was good and our follow-up support was quick to minimise Brighton's attempts at continuing their momentum and re-forming their attack. The opposition's defence proved to be efficient too; it put pressure on us to pass or kick hurriedly, just as we looked to have constructed try-scoring moves.

Our lineout and scrum work was good as usual and the forwards drove play ahead on many occasions. They all played well. Shaun Gough, Ben Suttell and Juan Aguiar were good in the back line.

At 12-15, and with time running out, Colls needed to build a match-winning move. The chance came from a rush that started from around the half way line and involved a number of players, including substitute Cameron MacDonald, who led the charge. Juan Aguiar took the last pass and dodged through defenders for a 25-metre dash to score the vital try that Barney converted.

## GRAND FINAL Port Adelaide 27 v Old Collegians 16



Port Adelaide defeated Old Colls in the hard fought Division 1 2002 grand final at Bailey Reserve on 21st September. Although Port had the more threatening attack for much of the game, and the final score of 27-16 suggests a comfortable margin, Colls trailed by only one point midway through the second half when Port converted a try, adding a penalty goal later. Old Collegians starting XV comprised Christian Tedge, Jeremy Thewlis, Jon Collins, Richard Czeglik, Bernard Hickey, Kini Tavui, Andrew Emanuel, Andrew Beare, Ben Suttell, Barney Bloxham (captain), Juan Aguiar, Shaun Gough, Nick Walsh, Dean Bradley and Phil Howell. Players listed as reserves included John Ovenell, Ben Hamer, Andrew Hickey, Andy McDougall, Stewart Douglas, Pauly Oxford, Leigh Marsland, David King, Tim Austin, Cameron McDonald and Gus Elliott.

Playing towards the northern end with a light wind advantage, Colls started impressively. We won a good share of ball, retained it in phase play and pegged Port inside their territory for much of the first 15 minutes. After missing his first shot at a penalty goal,

Barney Bloxham kicked truly on two subsequent occasions to put us six points up. For the rest of the first half, the teams tussled in an evenly fought contest that turned out a high standard of rugby. We matched the heavy Port forwards in scrums and we won our lineout throws cleanly and our inside backs endeavoured to create attacking moves against the solid defence. Port did likewise, the difference being their success in breaking our line and scoring two tries to our one in this term. The first came after a scrum win, when their centres switched direction suddenly and found a huge gap through which they dashed and scored between the goalposts. The second eventuated after we kicked away possession and their big fast men linked up and charged along the touchline before grounding the ball. Late in the term, we reduced the deficit to a point when we drove a maul forward and Richard Czeglik got the ball over the line near the corner for Barney to kick the conversion.

The struggle continued in the second half as we sought supremacy. Again we matched Port in set play, but were unable to cross the Port goal line for the rest of the game. When we carried the ball out wide, we ran out of space to make breaks or create overlaps because Port reacted quickly and tackled solidly. When we tried to charge through the middle or set up driving mauls, Port met us with stubborn resistance. Our own defence withstood a heavy battering from the opposition as they launched numerous forays into our territory. The earliest score in the second half was a penalty goal to Port, which we matched shortly afterwards. Port scored the only try of the second half. They secured the ball in a lineout 5 metres from our goal line and the player forced a gap to crash over for a well-scored try. Needing two tries to win the game, Colls tried desperately to break the sturdy Port defence, but the latter thwarted us repeatedly. Port kicked another penalty goal late in the game.

All participants of the First XV this year should be proud of getting the team into its second successive grand final. Everyone who played in the final deserves merit for endeavouring to overcome the strong Port combination, which was too good on the day.



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## DIVISION 2

**QUALIFYING FINAL**  
Brighton 5 v Old Collegians 11

**MAJOR SEMI-FINAL**  
Port Adelaide 26 v Old Collegians 17

**PRELIMINARY FINAL**  
Old Collegians 13 v Brighton 8

**GRAND FINAL**  
Port Adelaide 24 v Old Collegians 20

The Seconds capped off a great season by reaching the grand final after finishing third in the division 2 minor round. Port Adelaide were minor premiers with one loss for the season, then came Brighton and Colls with four losses each. Congratulations to everyone concerned for a mighty Colls effort throughout the 2002 season.

Colls started the major round in fine style by defeating Brighton 11-5 in the qualifying final on 31<sup>st</sup> August, thereby earning a place in the major semi final against Port on the following weekend. Colls played well against the powerful Port side in the latter match but went down by the respectable margin of 9 points. The final score was 26-17. Brighton beat Southern Suburbs 22-5 in the other semi final, which left the evenly matched Colls and Brighton to battle the preliminary final on 14<sup>th</sup> September. Brighton drew first blood by scoring a try early in the game. For the remainder of



the first half, the sides maintained a tight defence with solid tackling and plenty of support in the phase play. There was little chance to swing the ball wide to open space, or to tear through the centre. Halfback, Simon Callaghan, narrowed the margin to 2 points when he kicked a field goal. Stewart Douglas kicked a penalty goal, which Brighton matched. Play shifted ends many times as Collegians made numerous incursions into opposition territory, but Brighton drove us back repeatedly. Eventually, our persistence drew its reward very late in the second half when Stewart Douglas delivered the ball to Andy McDougall in a good attacking move which Andy finished off with a fast run to score a fine try. Stewart converted the try. The final score was 13-8. The win propelled us into the grand final against Port Adelaide on 21<sup>st</sup> September.

The team list for the grand final comprised: D. King, R. Porteous, A. Marshallsay, B. Rutherford, J. Wilson, P. Francis, T. Williams, R. Nielson, S. Callaghan, S. Douglas, D. Smit, J. Denley (captain), P. Oxford, J. Teo and J. Fudali. The reserves included M. Goode, A. Browne, S. Young, L. Marsland, B. Shimeld, J. Pinkerton, P. Cross, J. Suttell, A. McDougall, A. Welch, M. Fullager and T. Austin.

The grand final started badly for Colls when Port stormed vigorously through gaps in our defence after the kick-off and scored a try in the second minute of the first half. Port sustained their hard-hitting tactics for most of the match despite having a player sent off early on for rough play. We kept our minds on the game however, won our share of possession from set play and set up attacking rushes that kept the pressure on the Port defence. Stewart Douglas kicked a penalty goal, but soon afterwards Port scored their second try when they charged over the line, having taken a tap-kick penalty. For most of the remaining time in the first half we held territorial advantage and scored our first try when the backs swung the ball out wide, enabling Fudali to dive over the goal line. The trend of play continued in the second half. We snatched a one-point lead when James Denley scored near the corner post, and increased it to 8 points when Andy McDougall touched down for Stewart to convert. Then Port began to get the upper hand as we flagged under the pressure of facing continually aggressive opponents. We had one let-off when the referee disallowed a Port try following a touch judge's report, but they rebounded and scored two further tries. One resulted near the corner when they swung the ball out wide, and they scored the other between the goal posts. The final score was 24-20. Colls had played well for most of the game against a stronger team on the day.



# CROCS & FROCS



## THE FROCS

**MINOR SEMI-FINAL**  
Old Collegians 20 v Burnside 7

**PRELIMINARY FINAL**  
Adelaide University 10 v Old Collegians 0



The Frocs' 2002 season ended with them playing the finest rugby they have played all year in the Preliminary Final, but losing the Semi Final. The Preliminary Final saw one passage of play where both backs and forwards won 18 phases in a row before prop Simone Fogarty scored a try (her first) under the posts. The Semi Final was a close game, with the score nil all at half time, but two opportunistic tries scored by Uni in the second half. The Frocs have come a long way this year, thanks to the return of their beloved Ray of Sunshine. It has been a building year for them and we can expect a determined fight for the flag in 2003.



## THE CROCS



## **!! PREMIERS 2002 !!**

**MAJOR SEMI-FINAL**  
Old Collegians 26 v Onkaparinga 9

**GRAND FINAL**  
Old Collegians 17 v Onkaparinga 10



The Crocs final squad consisted of Richard Pardoe, Peter Forde, Lochie Pender, Nick Porter, Alex Walsh, David Starke, Joe Suttell, Cameron McDonald, Tim Austin, Mark Siaoisi, Neil Fisher, Sean Faulkner, Graham Raymond, John Craven, Kevin Jones, Jason Wareta, Pukuru Pakoru, Mick Renfrey, Rob Sadler, Marc Fullager, Steve Boyd, Nick Malone, Paul Simpson-Smith and Shane Clark. The finals series for all of our divisions consisted of the lads facing the same team twice, and in the case of the Crocs it was Onkaparinga. The Semi-Final was a convincing victory, despite scrappy play and some truly appalling refereeing. This criticism was adequately conveyed to the ref from the side line – he stopped play at one stage to shout down Muzza. The Grand Final, although it brought home their second premiership, was also an unimpressive game, which the Crocs could easily have lost. There is disagreement amongst Those Who Know as to why the team choked. It has been suggested by some that the reserves were not adequately used. Certainly, the tight five worked very hard in the first three-quarters, and could have benefited from fresh legs in the last twenty minutes of play. Of course, this opinion has been voiced loudest by those worthies left on the bench. Regardless, the team deserves praise for their continuing commitment and success. We should also recognise that as a squad they are not stagnating – they continue to attract new players, and to improve. They have lost only one game in the last thirty, and did not have a player sent off this year. David Starke and Mark Siaoisi have conducted themselves as utter gentlemen on the pitch this year, and we are told they have shown “great restraint”. We should note that on at least a couple of occasions they were also greatly restrained by others – but the result was the same. The club looks forward to supporting them through another great year and their hat-trick of flags.



# A.G.M.

**OLD COLLEGIANS RFC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
CLUBHOUSE – Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> December 2002 @ 7.00pm**

Nominations for the new Committee are required now. Are you interested?  
We need eager, enthusiastic volunteers for all committee positions.

**Positions open:**

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Assistant Treasurer

Rugby Co-ordinator

House & Grounds

Sponsorship Co-ordinator

Newsletter Editor

Social Co-ordinator

Women's Representative

Selectors

Nominations need to be received by 6<sup>th</sup> December 2002, and must be signed and seconded by current financial members of the Club.

**Old Collegians RFC Committee – Nomination Slip – December 2002**

Position:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator:

Secunder: \_\_\_\_\_

After the AGM, stay at the club for

**Christmas  
Drinks**



# JUNIOR AWARDS 2002

**Most Improved Junior John & Judy Brady Trophy - Tristan Clements**

**Junior Clubman - Will Sadler**

**Club Captain - Leigh Marsland**

**Under 10s Coach - Janet Penhall**

Rod Hauser Tackling Trophy - Mackenzie Vann

The M & H Kerr-Grant Trophy - Hugh Barrett, Xavier Spizzo

**Under 12s Coach - James Bradley**

Bob Burgess Tackling Trophy - Rupert Weaver

Peter "Doc" Douglas Trophy - Carl Coetzee

Howard Clay Scholarship (Under 12 Back) - Edward Lucas

**Under 14s Coaches – Jon Ovenell and Jon Collins**

Denis Hayden Tackling Trophy - Daniel Larcombe

Julie & David Turner Trophy - Rory Sheppard, Jem Shimmield

Joyce Spry Scholarship (U14 Forward) - Sam O'Connell

**Under 16s Coaches – Stewart Douglas and Ben Hamer**

Michael Raymond Tackling Trophy - Simon Kenny

Maxine & Ian Walker Trophy - Hugh Sheppard

**Under 18s Coach – Andre Brummer**

Ken Grayling Tackling Trophy - Chris Schmidt

Helen & Howard Clay Trophy - Mitch Hay, Leigh Marsland



## State Under 14 Rugby 7's trip to Canberra Report from Angus Groves

I was fortunate enough to be selected in the state squad of twelve to travel to Canberra for a rugby 7's carnival. I was very excited to be selected because I would get to travel to Canberra and play for my state but also I could see the sights of Canberra and make new friends from other clubs.

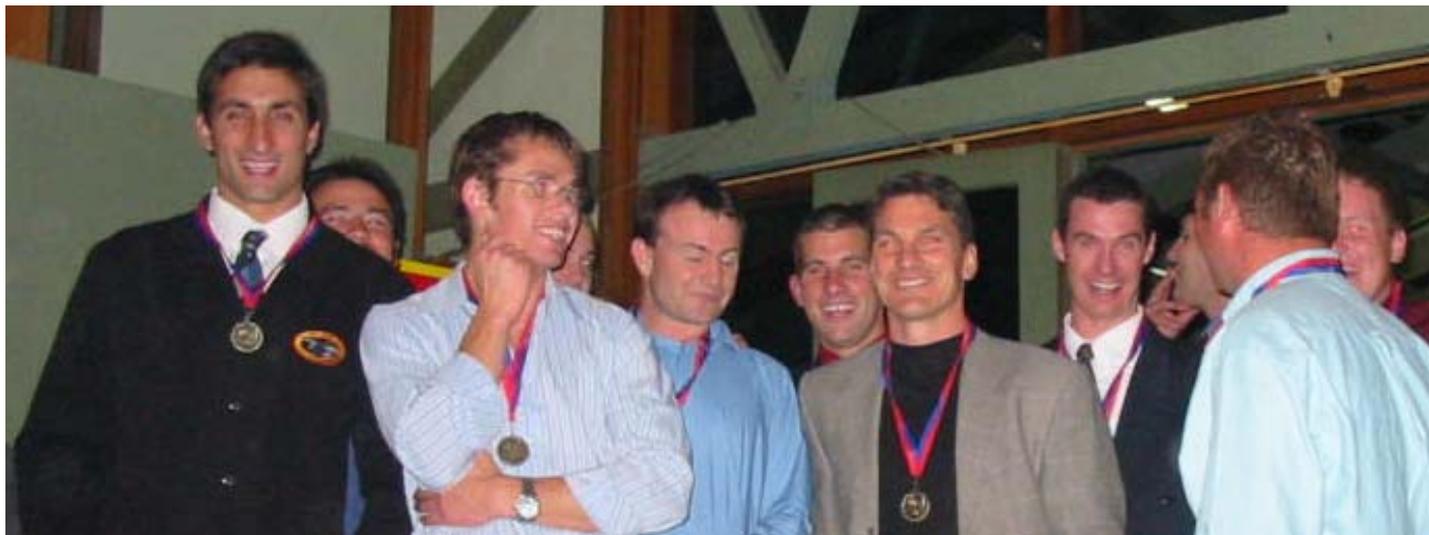
On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> we boarded the bus for an 18 hour trip to Canberra. On the bus we watched movies and talked, but sleeping was difficult because it was uncomfortable and a few people liked to play pranks. We arrived Friday and went straight to Mt Ainslie (Canberra's equivalent of Mt Lofty). After taking in the views we went to the war memorial, which was fun. After that we went to an ACT Brumbies coaching clinic, run by youth development officers. After that we went to our hotel and had a late night.

On Saturday we got up early to see the SA U12's play ACT. After that we had a light training then went to see a 1<sup>st</sup> grade club semi-final. That night we stayed up late and had pizza. On Sunday we got up early to prepare for our tournament. It was a round robin tournament with the top two teams playing in a final. We played local ACT club teams and a country club from NSW. Unfortunately we were not switched on for our first game and went down 5-7 after a controversial disallowed try in the last play. To add to it, our best player went to hospital after tearing ligaments in his pelvis. We won our next 3 games but went down to current Waratah cup champion (and have won it for the last 12 years), St Edmond's College, by a few tries. We won our next game but did not make the final. On our last day we went to the national zoo and aquarium and the AIS. Then we travelled home by bus for a long 18 hours. The trip was very enjoyable and I highly recommend it for anyone who is lucky enough to be selected in the squad.

**As reported again under "Senior Awards", the Alan Spry Memorial Trophy for Rugby Spirit went to Andre Brummer this year, in recognition of his efforts with the Under 18s and their beleaguered competition. He showed remarkable commitment to his small squad, and worked and fought hard to ensure they could keep playing this year. Despite the problems with number in the club and in the competition. The club, and his lads, are very grateful to him.**



# SENIOR AWARDS 2002



*[pictured above – award winners and Black Falcons, Juan Aguiar, a bit of Andrew Beare, Barney Bloxham, a fragment of Christian Tedge, Ben Suttell, Jim Denley, Steve Boyd, Sean Gough, a portion of Richard Czeglik's profile, John Collins' back and half of James Bradley]*

## Club Awards

Bob George Memorial Award for Best & Fairest – Barney Bloxham  
 Willie Wilson Memorial Award for Best First Year Player – Ben Rutherford  
 Owen Clarke Points Scoring Award – Juan Aguiar  
 John Markey Memorial/Gavin Pfister Tackling Award for a Forward – Kini Tavui  
 Bernie McQueen Tackling Award for a Back – Ben Suttell  
 Selectors Award for Commitment – Christian Tedge  
 Mike von Berg Award for Consistency, Courage & Commitment – Richard Czeglik

Bert Rogers Memorial Award for Special Administrative Services – Sue Thewlis  
 (for her administration of the junior club)

Stewart Wood Memorial Award for Best Clubman – Kim Evans  
 Warren Bully Award for the Club's Best Supporter – Murray Curran  
 Canterbury Award for Special Achievement – Paul Horne  
 (for establishing and maintaining the Club's *excellent* website)  
 Alan Spry Memorial Trophy for Rugby Spirit – Andre Brummer

**New Life Members – Denzil Church, Andrew Secker and Joyce Spry**

*[pictured right – Andrew Secker being 'pinned' by fellow life member, Jesse James]*



## Division 1

E Yule Memorial Award for Best Forward – Jon Collins  
 G Bainbridge Memorial Award for Best Back - Shaun Gough and Barney Bloxham  
 Most Improved – Dean Bradley

## Division 2

J Forward Memorial Award for Best Forward – Rob Porteous  
 McQualter Memorial Award for Best Back – James Denley  
 Most Improved – Simon Callaghan

*[pictured right – Jim Denley and Rob Porteous]*

## Division 3 – Crocs

W Templeton Memorial Award for Best Forward – Cameron McDonald  
 C Holdich Memorial Award for Best Back – Mark Siao  
 Most Improved – David Starke  
 Best Team Man – Nick Porter

## Division 3 – Two Thirds

Best Forward – Callum Mackie  
 Best Back – John O'Brien / Ben Rokobaro  
 Most Improved – Peter Cross

## Women

Best Forward – Zoë Woodstock  
 Best Back – Tiana Hume  
 Most Improved – Belinda Wade

*[pictured right – Tiana Hume and our own Adrianna, Janet Penhall]*



## HISTORY OF SENIOR AWARDS

**E.Yule Memorial Trophy** - Best forward 1<sup>st</sup> XV - former club president

**G.Bainbridge Memorial Trophy** - Best back 1<sup>st</sup> XV - Outstanding 1st XV halfback. Died in road accident in 1972

**J.Forwood Memorial Trophy** - Best forward 2<sup>nd</sup> XV - Club treasurer for many years in 1950's and 1960's

**B.McQualter Memorial Trophy** - Best back 2<sup>nd</sup> XV - Dedicated 1st XV player and keen clubman. Killed on active service in Vietnam

**W.Templeton Memorial Trophy** - Best forward 3<sup>rd</sup> XV - Won best & fairest award in club, first ever 3<sup>rd</sup> XV. Died in road accident.

**C.Holdich Memorial Trophy** - Best back 3<sup>rd</sup> XV - Former club president & treasurer & life member. Both his sons played for the club.

**Stewart Wood Memorial Trophy** - Best clubman - as a novice player he made club 1st XV in his first season of rugby. Had an outstanding club spirit. Died in a road accident.

**Warren Bully Trophy** - Best club supporter – (not a memorial trophy). Outstanding 1st XV player, he also played for Manly 1<sup>st</sup> XV (Sydney) and in Wales. An enthusiastic player and club member.

**Willy Wilson Memorial Trophy** - Best First Season Player. The son of loyal Collegians, Don and Dawn Wilson and brother of ex-Froc Michelle. Willy played in the 1990s, making the first grade in his first year. Tragically killed in a car accident.

**Gavin Pfister Tackling Award** - Most Improved Forward - Gavin Pfister is a South African-born flanker who won the SARU Don Smith Medal for the 2nd year in 1997 as well as the Sir Norman Jude Tackling Trophy for 1997

**Mike von Berg Trophy** - For consistency, courage & commitment. Mike von Berg has been a member of Old Collegians since 1988 and was the 1st XV coach until 1993, a period that included the Premiership win of 1991. SARU Chairman 1994 to 2001, Senior State Coach 1994 to 1999, ARU Director 1997 to 1999 (first SA member appointed to the ARU Board), ARU Delegate 1994 to 2001, ARU Marketing Committee 1994 to 1996, Old Collegians 1<sup>st</sup> XV Coach 1989 to 1993, SARU Under 21 Coach 1991 to 1993, and SARU Schools Coach 1995 to 1996.

## HISTORY OF JUNIOR AWARDS

Most Improved and Best Junior Clubman were stuck in 1997. These awards go to under 12 and under 14 players so the junior club can benefit from them as they move up. They are named after the two most deserving of juniors' supporters. The trophy for **Best U10 Tackler** is the **Rod Hauser Trophy**. It is a framed Australian Rugby Jersey, worn & presented by Rod Hauser who was in the OCRFC 1971 Premiership team who went on to play half back for Australia in 15 tests. The trophy for **Best U12 Tackler** is the **Bob Burgess Trophy**. It is a framed jersey of OCRFC colours worn from the late 1940s to the late 1960s and was presented by Bob Burgess. Bob joined Collegians in 1953 & played more than 700 games for the Club. The trophy for the **Best U14 Tackler** is the **Denis Hayden Trophy**. It is an Old Collegians RFC 1<sup>st</sup> XV 1982 Premiership jersey worn when Collegians defeated Brighton 9-3 preventing 11 successive premierships. It was worn & presented by Denis Hayden. Denis represented SA from 1968 to 1990. He captained SA side to its 10-7 victory over Fiji. In 1990 Denis won the President's Trophy for best State forward & was selected to trial with the Wallabies in 1973. The trophy for the **Best U16 Tackler** is the **Michael Raymond Trophy**. It is an Australian Schools Jersey presented to OCRFC by Michael Raymond. Michael was a 1<sup>st</sup> XV OCRFC player, SAJRU Rep U12-U16, Australian Schoolboys 1981-83, SA Rep 1984-85. The trophy for the **Best U18 Tackler** is the **Ken Grayling Trophy**. It is an All Black Jersey, presented to the Club by the Kenneth P. Grayling MBE Collection. Ken Grayling was involved in SA Rugby as a Player, Administrator, Referee and managed the Australian U21s on tours to NZ in 1982, 83 & 85. The SARU stand at Bailey is the Kenneth Grayling Stand. The **junior club captain** award was instigated by Jesse James in 1995 and the shield presented by Brian Callaghan of the Pembroke School in 1996. The **John & Judy Brady Trophy** is a dual trophy for Most Improved Junior & Junior Clubman. It is a SA Schools RU Jersey, which was presented by Neil Charter in recognition of the Club's contribution to Schoolboy rugby in SA. John and Judy helped establish the modern Junior section of the club in 1985 together with the Kerr-Grants & the Turners. The **Meryl & Hugh Kerr-Grant Trophy** is the Under 10 Coach's Award. The **Peter "Doc" Douglas Trophy** is the **U12 Coach's Award**. Doc Douglas was a 1<sup>st</sup> XV player and junior coach to his son Stewart's team, right through the juniors at that time. The **Julie & David Turner Trophy** is the **U14 Coaches Award**. Julie and David Turner made a massive contribution to the club over the years. The **Maxine & Ian Walker Trophy** is the **U16 Coach's Award**. Maxine and Ian Walker have served in nearly all posts on the senior committee bar President. Ian has also been SAJRU secretary and made a massive contribution to Schools rugby in SA. The **Helen & Howard Clay Trophy** is the **U18 Coach's Award**. The Clays founded the modern Junior club in 1985, Howard was Junior Coordinator for the first 4 to 5 years and a past senior President. He was made a life member in 1975.



## SCRUMBAG

The Prodigal Gus Elliot, who has been absent for much of this year (due to getting married, moving to Melbourne and all), was couriered home for the Grand Final. Could it be that the absence of Don Brown in the centres left the selectors hoping for that extra punch? With the 2s and 3s also playing Grand Finals, there would be no thieving from their ranks. The Division 1 lads were taken aside and told of this development, and we can dig up no rancour on their part. Strange then that the fabled Wonder-Gus, having been brought so far, only went on in the last ten minutes when we already had to score and convert two tries to win!

Unless you live under a rugby-proof rock, you will have heard all about Southern Suburbs' newest recruit. The young man is apparently a Fijian national who has played several international rugby games this year most notably in the sevens competition at the Commonwealth Games in Manchester. This clever fellow arrived in Adelaide with a few days to spare before Souths' Qualifying Final against Woodville, although to be fair he *had* been on team sheets for a few weeks. Souths won that game, and Woodville appealed. There is an issue, highly debated, about whether the new Souths' Boy met the SARU rules about qualifying for finals. There is some debate about whether those rules were clear enough. In any event, SARU declined to disqualify Souths, and the game was replayed on the Thursday night before the Preliminary Final (against Old Colls) on Sunday. Souths won the re-match too, but were defeated by Old Colls three days later. We have heard, but can't confirm, that some Woodville players were injured in the rematch. Naturally enough, there is some bad feeling about. Tregenza Times makes no comment or judgment – but please feel free to discuss it amongst yourselves. *(The photo to the right is not the Fijian recruit. It is bloody funny though).*



### SANDI JENNI

It is with sadness that we report that Sandi Jenni died in a motorbike accident on 31 August 2002. Sandi played for the women's team in 1998 and 1999 (and on and off in 2000). She had the best kick seen on any woman in SA, and regularly won money and/or beer from men who bet that a woman couldn't out-kick them. She could convert from any point in the 22, and also from the centre line. The photograph shows Sandi playing in the Women's XV's 1998 premiership. She leaves her father Bernhart, mother Bronwyn, sisters Rachel (her twin) and Katrin, brother-in-laws Zef and Russell, and niece and nephew Luke and Chloe. Our condolences go to each of them. Sandi is mourned by all the Old Collegians who ever took the pitch with her, and by Ray Butler, her coach. All the women playing in the two semi-finals on 8 September 2002 wore black armbands in her honour, and observed a minute of silence.

Michael Regler has made it into the ACT Brumbies Academy. ACT Rugby runs the Brumbies Academy for talented young players, in conjunction with senior clubs' talent centres throughout the ACT. Michael played in our juniors for a number of years as well as in our 3rd grade last year. Congratulations and best wishes to Michael, and of course to Michael's father, Michael.

It was a shock to hear that Lee Freer died on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2002. Lee was a great supporter of the game through a number of clubs including most recently Old Collegians. She was a devoted mother to Chris and to Jason. Her funeral was held on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> September at Enfield, well supported by junior players that Lee had managed as a team manager or had partly-adopted or both. She was a wonderful woman and will be missed by the rugby community and people from all walks of life. She was 43 years of age.

### Rosemount Estate wins Jimmy Watson Trophy

The Jimmy Watson Trophy at the 2002 Royal Melbourne Wine Show was won by Rosemount Estate's 'Traditional' Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot/Petit Verdot. Our own Matthew Koch is a winemaker at Rosemount, and Rosemount sponsors the Crocs. The much coveted and always controversial Jimmy Watson Trophy is awarded to the best one year old red wine. Established in 1962, it is a memorial to the late Jimmy Watson of Jimmy Watson's Wine Bar in Carlton.

Graham Raymond tells us that the combined rugby experience of the Crocs totals 400 years. He, quite reasonably, is a little perplexed at the concept of a Crocs' "Most Improved". Even stranger is that the award went to David Starke. However, we are told Starkey has genuinely shown massive improvement this season. He got through the last two finals without throwing a single punch.



The Canterbury Award for Special Achievement this year went to Paul Horne for establishing and maintaining our wonderful website. [www.oldcollegiansrugby.org.au](http://www.oldcollegiansrugby.org.au) If you haven't browsed around the site – please, please do. It's a wonderful resource, full of recent club photos and anecdotes, as well as a great deal of our history. There isn't another club in Australia with such a comprehensive website. Many of our far-flung friends have made contact with us again since the site got up and running, and we've attracted some terrific players looking to play in SA (Juan being the best example). Tregenza Times has for some time stolen shamelessly from the website, and owes a great debt to Paul.

Further on the topic of websites, the club no longer uses Senet as a server. Our Great Webmaster was getting atrocious support service from them, and they insisted on keeping on log file on the site, which steadily expanded and took up a huge whack of the cyber-space we were paying for. It was the equivalent of renting a two bedroom home and having to store your landlord's collection of Elvis memorabilia in the second bedroom. Accordingly, Senet have found themselves at the business end of a hissy fit. The website is moving servers, but the address will stay the same. In the meantime, there may be an interruption of service, but be sure to log back regularly, because when he's up and running again Paul will have all the grand final photos on the site.

Yet more from cyberspace, the Frocs have established their own web-presence too. [www.thefrocs.com](http://www.thefrocs.com) Those of you who receive Tregenza Times by email will have been directed to that site already, while the main site is still slumped. Check it out, browse around – we think it complements the main site well. Of course “we” do. “We” did it.

The Welsh boys who graced our first division for the last several weeks of the 2002 season have now left again. They leave behind them a heap of scrap metal which was once a car, and a rather gorgeous puppy. The car was a perfectly respectable Sigma before they decided they wanted to experience Australian roads from a convertible and took an angle-grinder to the roof. A young police officer who stopped them insisted that Sigmas were designed to have rooves, but he refrained from issuing a fine (we suspect because he couldn't understand a damn word that came out of the lads' mouths). However, they took the officer's advice to heart and for the last couple of weeks they drove around with a piece of particle board bolted over the hole.

In addition to abandoning the car, Flyd also leaves Bruce. (NB – I'm not sure how to spell 'Flyd', but the 'Y' looks right. The Welsh use Y's a lot). Bruce was, and probably still is, a fluffy grey Akita pup which attracted Flyd a great deal of attention while he was here. His plan was to take Bruce on a walking holiday to Sydney. It was suggested to him that dogs built for the snow might not enjoy the Great Ocean Road in the midst of an Australian summer. In any event, Bruce never took even the first step of his walking tour. Flyd had always sworn that he bought Bruce to be a chick magnet. True to his word, before he left he sold the lovely Bruce to a woman he met in the pub. She was, we are reliably informed, “f\*\*king gorgeous”. He admits the impromptu sale was designed to result in the gorgeous new dog owner succumbing to his charms. And did it work? Did Flyd by selling his sweet little puppy get the girl? No - Nick Walsh did.

**At last, a Croc proves capable of fathering something other than multiple sons! Warm congratulations to Nick and Georgie Porter on the birth of their beautiful daughter Charlotte!**



On the weekend of the 18<sup>th</sup> October the Crocs and the Frocs each take their separate End of Season trips away. The Crocs are off the Victor, the Frocs to Marion Bay. Both trips are expected to be very well attended. There are a number of first and second grade lads joining in with the Crocs, while the girls are expecting every member of the team, plus a few extras. We hope to report a little on their respective shenanigans in the next edition of Tregenza Times, but then again “what happens on tour, stays on tour.” For the time being, we simply suggest you stay clear of the two danger zones.

We farewell a number of our favourites this month. Jon Ovenell and the lovely Elaine are heading off to see a bit of this wide brown land, and then to the land of the long white cloud. Jon Collins (assuming he can tear himself away from beer and Czeglik (not necessarily in that order) is off back home to England. Sean Gough has left us (again) to return to Brisbane. Barney Bloxham has left for a few years of seeing the world, starting in England. Phil Howell is already back in England, although he hopes to return for next season. Similarly, Juan may or may not make an appearance at the club next year, depending on the attitude of the Department of Immigration. As with all of our far flung friends, regardless of where they go and what they do, they take our best wishes with them and we hope to see their faces again at the bar some time.

**And on the subject of friends coming home – a whisper reaches us that Jack Walton is due home in Adelaide early in 2003.**

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