

NEWS

HOW MANY TEAMS WILL OLD COLLEGIANS FIELD IN 2005?

It is less than three weeks to the first game of the season on 2 April 2005 and Old Collegians do not have enough registrations for the four senior men's teams we hope to field. If we do not get a lot more registrations in the next couple of weeks, we will be forced to drop one or more teams before the start of the season. **IF YOU PLAN TO PLAY IN 2005 PLEASE REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!** Even if you cannot make it out to training yet or cannot pay your subs yet, we need to know if you will be playing this year.



NEW COACHES FOR THE FALCONS

Steve Boyd and Gus Elliot have both resigned as the coaches of this year's Physio-Direct Adelaide Black Falcons. Steve and Gus achieved great things with the Falcons but their other commitments both prevent them from the enormous commitment the Falcons would require of them this year. On the up-side, we might see them more around Old Collegians in 2005 as a result! In their place, SA Rugby is pleased to announce the appointment of Carl Jones and Craig Hawkings as Head and Assistant Coach respectively of the Black Falcons for the 2005 Australian Rugby Shield season.

As the current Falcon's Assistant Coach, Carl Jones is well equipped for the role after a year as Steve's understudy during the team's most successful season to date in 2004. He is currently a Level II accredited coach with previous experience leading the State's U/16 and U/18 teams. He has also played and coached in the United Kingdom including Royal Navy representation.

Carl's leadership and experience with the Falcons will be well complemented by the skills of Craig Hawkings. As Port Adelaide's current Premier Grade Coach and a Graduate in Rugby Studies From Queensland's University of Technology, Craig will bring a great deal of knowledge and a new dimension to the Falcons' coaching panel. Craig was SARU's Coach of the Year in 2004 and is undertaking his Level III coach accreditation. Carl and Craig will be supported by Steve Boyd who will remain in a mentoring capacity. Show your support for the Falcons in 2005!



RUGBY

COACHES & MANAGERS 2005

- Div 1** **Coach:** Rob Sadler
 Assistant Coach: Graham Raymond
 Manager: Hamish Cranna
- Div 2** **Coach:** Jamie Brennan
 Assistant Coach: Jeremy Uther
 Manager: Ian Walker
- Div 3** **Coach:** Andre Brummer
 Manager: Denzil Church
- Div 4** **Coaches:** Andy Marshallsay, Peter Policki
 Manager: Shane Clark
- Women** **Coach:** Naomi Oberscheidt
 Manager: Maxine Moran

Selectors: Barry Nichol (Rugby Director), Ted Apted, Peter “Jesse” James

SARU 2005 DRAW

2 April 2005	Onkaparinga v Old Collegians
9 April 2005	Old Collegians v Brighton
16 April 2005	Port Adelaide v Old Collegians
23 April 2005	Div 1 Bye, Div II Adelaide Uni v Old Collegians at 3.20pm
30 April 2005	Old Collegians v Southern Suburbs
7 May 2005	Burnside/Elizabeth v Old Collegians (Divs I and II both at Womma Oval)
14 May 2005	Old Collegians v Woodville
21 May 2005	Old Collegians v Onkaparinga
28 May 2005	Brighton v Old Collegians
4 June 2005	Old Collegians v Port Adelaide
11 June 2005	Bye for all teams – Queen’s Birthday Long Weekend
18 June 2005	Div I Bye, Div II Old Collegians v Adelaide Uni at 3.20pm
25 June 2005	Southern Suburbs v Old Collegians
2 July 2005	Old Collegians v Burnside/Elizabeth
9 July 2005	Woodville v Old Collegians
16 July 2005	Onkaparinga v Old Collegians
23 July 2005	Old Collegians v Brighton
30 July 2005	Port Adelaide v Old Collegians
6 August 2005	Div 1 Bye, Div II Adelaide Uni v Old Collegians at 3.20pm
13 August 2005	Old Collegians v Southern Suburbs
20 August 2005	Burnside/Elizabeth v Old Collegians
27 August 2005	Old Collegians v Woodville

Full Draw available on www.sarugby.rugbynet.com.au

THIRD, FOURTH AND WOMEN’S DRAWS AVAILABLE VERY SOON

GAMES START 2 APRIL
GET OUT TO TRAINING NOW
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 6.30

ELIZABETH SEVENS

Old Collegians fielded teams in both the men's and women's competitions in the Elizabeth Sevens on 5 March 2005.

The men's team had mixed results and did not make it to the semi-finals, but it was a great opportunity for existing players to get in their first hits of the season and for the club's new blood to have their first taste of rugby with Old Collegians. The men's team consisted of Michael Bell, Craig de Carle, Peter Cross, Tim Green, Quinten Manuel, Sam Pilkington, Tom Pilkington, Leigh Rebbeck, Charlie Shepperd, Ben Suttell, Christian Tedge and Jeremy Thewlis. There were some great moments from everyone, including great tries from Peter Cross, a runaway try from Jeremy Thewlis and some great work at the ruck by Michael Bell. Thanks to all the boys who turned up and played.



Leigh Rebbeck slips away to score under the posts

In the Semi-Finals, Port Adelaide defeated Burnside and University defeated Brighton.

The final was then won by University, defeating Port Adelaide 24 to 12. University played very well all day, and thoroughly deserved their unexpected success. University is not fielding a first grade team this year but their performance in the Elizabeth Sevens suggests they will be a force in the second grade!

The women's team consisted of Katherine Cherry, Candice Daniel, Liz Dean, Rebecca Derbyshire-Lloyd, Kim Evans, Tara Naige, Kelly O'Neill, Kate Reynolds, Naomi Woodstock and Zoë Woodstock. It was a pity that only three clubs fielded women's teams in the sevens, but realistically it was only those three teams who would have been competitive in any event. The Frocs drew their first game against Souths (a horrible echo from last year's final) and barely lost to Burnside thanks to a try by Burnside after the final siren, Lemony Snicketts style – due only to a “a series of unfortunate events”. However, in the final Burnside proved they did not need luck to win, beating the Frocs convincingly on the scoreboard despite the relatively even game. The Frocs played better sevens rugby than they have for a few years, thanks to the coaching efforts of Kath Cherry and the very valuable assistance from Glen Miller (despite teaching the girls an obsolete and illegal scrum bind!).



Who is this man? And WHY is he playing for Onkaparinga Over 35s?!

Men's

University 14 v Old Collegians 5
Port Adelaide B 5 v Old Collegians 36
Old Collegians 10 v Souths A 28
Old Collegians 15 v Burnside 27

Women's

Old Collegians 12 v Souths 12
Burnside 15 v Old Collegians 12
Final – Burnside 17 v Old Collegians 5

CLUB NOTES

WHO WAS BEST & FAIREST?

We are putting up new honour boards but our records are incomplete. If anyone can remember winners of our Best and Fairest trophy before 1994 please **contact us with the details as soon as possible** at kim@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au or 0438 704 415 or PO Box 164, Glenside SA 5065

SUBS 2005

Regardless of when you are paying your subs, **you must be registered before you play** any game.

REGO DAY - Come up to the club after training on Thursday 17th March and fill in your rego form with Richard Waddicor, your registrar.

Adult player	\$230	(\$210 before 31 May)
Concession	\$180	(\$160 before 31 May)
Voting	\$100	(\$90 before 31 May)
Social	\$60	(\$50 before 31 May)

FREE T-SHIRT!

Pay before 31 May and get a discount AND a free t-shirt!

The club makes little, if any profit from your subs. About **90% goes straight to SARU**, and 1/11th goes to the Tax Office. The little bit left over goes to the running of the club, but without our sponsors and our bar we wouldn't be able to pay for equipment, jerseys, first aid, rent, electricity, water, etc etc etc. ***The Club can't afford for you not to pay your subs!***

PHYSIOTHERAPY FOR MEMBERS

All members of Old Collegians are urged if they have any physiotherapy needs to consult with our sponsor Physio Direct as a matter of preference. **Physio Direct offers special rates to ALL Old Collegian members** with particularly attractive rates for 1st and 2nd grade players.

Physio Direct has six clinics in Adelaide, at Morphettville, Edwardstown, Wayville, Prospect, Salisbury and Gawler. Physio Direct provides treatment for all sports and work injury as well as general physiotherapy and rehabilitation for muscle and joint injuries, headaches, neck and back pains. They use manipulative physiotherapy, Swiss balls, Pilates, aquatic physiotherapy, Feldenkrais and gym rehabilitation.

Call 8373 1324 to arrange an appointment to a clinic near you.



CLUB BAR IS OPEN THURSDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHTS



STRAPPING TAPE

This year strapping tape will again only be supplied by the club on training nights **for players who are undergoing rehabilitation for a recent injury**. Strapping tape will still be provided for games. If you just like to be strapped at training for comfort, support, confidence or any other reason, the friendly staff from Physio-Direct will still do the honours, but you'll need to provide your own strapping and electrical tape.



CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Contact Sue Thewlis ASAP
0431 566 116

We could *REALLY* use your help!

SCRUMBAG

A Message from the Rokobaros: Alex has completed his first week at Marists and Ben is in rugby heaven with plans to watch the Reds vs Brumbies on Sat.!! Ashgrove which we are next to reminds me of Unley with hills but we don't have the money to match the lifestyle!!! Next Sat is rego day at GPS which will be the club for Ben and Alex at least for 3 years but we know where their loyalties are in SA. Best of luck to everyone for a great 2005.

CHINESE NEW YEAR

On 12th February we welcomed in the Chinese New Year for the fifth year in a row. This year is the year of the Rooster, a year of happiness, colour and drama which should be tempered with common sense. There's a Chinese saying, "If you take a step back, you will find the sea and the sky are boundless."

In keeping with Chinese tradition and principles of *feng shui*, the club was filled with Chinese decorations in red and gold to bring luck and prosperity, with a fish above the bar to bring wealth and a dragon over the trophy cabinet to bring glory and protection. This year was bigger than usual, with a healthy spread of roughly 300 club members, players, friends and neighbours wandering in to enjoy the festivities.

Traditional Chinese food was provided by the wonderful chefs who have catered all of our Chinese New Year parties. Typically, the food sold out in record time! The kids always enjoy the night and particularly the breaking of a piñata (not *entirely* a traditional Chinese custom). Kim was caught in the four-deep riot of marauding children when the chocolate fell, while Joyce looked on and assessed their tenacity and speed with recruitment for our junior teams in mind! The fireworks display was, as always, very popular and seems to get better every year. The traditional Lion Dance display was the best yet. The tired old lion of previous years has been fired and the new troupe was full of daring, athleticism and humour. A great start to the year!

Last month's edition of Tregenza Times contained, as usual, a few typos. Still, we're not sure how we managed to say that pre-season training starts in *October*. (Those of you who took us at our word are desperately late – pre-season training started the first week of February). A few other clubs have said it's typical of Collegians to be so sure of themselves...

Going away & wanting a reliable responsible person to look after your home? Then look no further!!! Janet Penhall is looking for any house-sitting while she is building her house. Dates required are from **30th March - 10th May**, (then she's overseas for Golden Oldies Rugby), & after the trip **1st August - when house is built, probably around November**. Please call her on **0404 628 325** if you need someone!!!! MANY THANKS

South Australian Rugby Union Limited had its Annual General Meeting on 7 March 2005. The total revenue of SARU in 2004 was \$344,025, with an operating deficit of \$4,332. SARU would have operated at a profit in 2004 but for the unexpected legal expenses incurred with the dispute with Southern Suburbs during the Finals Series. We would like to congratulate Ted Apted on his re-election to the Board of SARU. Mike von Berg was not re-elected, but we offer him our sincere thanks for his commitment to rugby in Adelaide and his years of hard work on the Board of SARU. Mike has been a member of Old Collegians since 1988 and was the 1st XV coach until 1993 (including the 1991 Premiership). He is a Level III coach and has been a member of the National Coaching Committee. His achievements include being the SARU Chairman from 1994 to 2004, Senior State Coach 1994 to 1999, and ARU Director and Delegate for many years (the first SA member appointed to the ARU Board).

If you see our registrar, Richard Waddicor, around the clubrooms, please take note of the shiny pink scar on his forehead. Anyone who has ever played rugby with Richard will have noticed a certain tenacity and competitiveness about the way he plays. After all these years, someone finally split his head open. To add insult to injury, it was Kate Reynolds, the lithe blonde dynamo of the Frocs' backline. They collided on the Ozttag field and her bony little elbow won the encounter. Richard left the field spurting blood while Kate merrily played on. Stitches were called for!



10% DISCOUNT

Gary Pope at Athletes Foot in Burnside tells us that the **new season's rugby boots** have arrived - all sizes. Anne Bradley tells us that they look rather flash, especially the junior sizes! Athlete's Foot gives all Old Collegians a 10% discount, so get along and get your new boots from Gary. Gary is an old rugger himself, so he knows what he's talking about!

Congratulations to James Denley on his engagement to Kylie Edwards, a midwife at Burnside Hospital. The big day is planned for December.

3rd Annual Old Collegians Open Tanunda Pines Golf Club

An encouraging turn out of 31 players competed at the Tanunda Pines Golf Club on Sunday 6th February 2005 for the 3rd Annual Old Collegians Open. The format this year was 18 holes of Ambrose - if you do not hit a good shot then you put your partners under a lot of pressure, similar to missing a tackle in rugby.



Seven groups of four and one group of three competed. President Kim Evans was on hand to keep the groups in check and to be the “drinks bitch” (her words). It was also pleasing to see Ted Apted (former President) in attendance for the day. Ted accompanied one of the groups around the course on foot (he must be in training for a come back).

As per usual, we underestimated the thirst of the Old Collegians and had to purchase more on course drinks as the day progressed. The golf club was extremely generous in providing this sustenance at a heavily discounted rate to ensure that we did not run at a loss. At the conclusion of the round Ted Adpted, ably assisted by Peter Allen, Danny McCarten and Bruce McDougall stoked up the barbie and we all sat down to well earned meal.

Ryan “Booboo” Neilsen and Tom Secker had arranged to play with a 12 handicapper (Peter Denley) and a 5 handicapper (James Swift). This made their group clear favourites for the event. Another strong contender for the title was the group of Craig de Carle, Richard Czeglik and Craig’s mate Mick, playing as a three to avoid the extra distraction of a fourth player (I think it was so that they could get back to the bar first).



Golf was the winner on the day. Fashion pulled up the rear.

Submission of the cards at the conclusion of the day revealed a clear winner. A team with the unlikely names of Jimbo, Beno, Chado and Leono bolted from the blue with a gross score of 67 (5 under par). This was the same gross score as the more fancied team of Swift, Denley, Booboo and Secker. However, after taking handicaps into account the former team won by more than five strokes. Third place went to Craig, Mick and Czeza who by this time were in the clubhouse for so long that they did not care who had won.

Third place received a selection of prizes donated by Gordon Hazzard (a loyal supported of Old Collegians and the golf day). Second place received three Nike golf balls each and the winners each a bottle of Rockford Cabernet. Each participant in the day received a ticket in a raffle. The prize was a magnum of 1999 Rockford Home Block Cabernet. A well-known wine identity, present on the day, estimated it to be worth at least 750,000 something or rathers. Verification of this value is obviously not possible but it is a great, great wine. The winner was Tedgey (enjoy). A raffle for a second magnum of Rockford Cabernet raised an additional \$100 for the day. Andrew McDougall won this second raffle. At the conclusion of the presentation, John Denley from Pro-Time presented President Kim with a cheque for \$750 dollars being this year’s sponsorship.

PLAN for next year’s golf day to be held on **Sunday 5th February 2006**

Make it even more successful with **MANY MORE PLAYERS**

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JUNIOR REPORTS

**TRAINING
STARTS
WED 16TH
MARCH,
6.00PM**

It is expected that games will commence in the first week of May, but a final decision has not yet been made by SAJRU.

We will keep you posted.

**RECRUITING JUNIOR
COLLEGIANS!**

**THE FUTURE OF THE CLUB
IS IN YOUR HANDS**

We are still recruiting in all age groups, but particularly in the 9 – 12 age group. Shake down your friends, associates, family and so on with potential junior players! Enquiries to Anne Bradley (8379 6927). All it takes is a couple extra players in each age group to make a big difference to the coming season and to the future strength of the club.

COACHES 2005

We are very pleased to announce this year's Juniors' coaches:

Under 8's - Tricia Abbott & Michael Bell

Under 9's - David Pridham

Under 10's - Peter Cross

Under 11's - Tara Naige

Under 12's - Ben Rutherford

Under 14's - Danny McCartan

Under 16's - Ryan Neilsen & John Bell

Under 18's "Colts" - Nick Porter & Richard Purdoe

JUNIOR COMMITTEE

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ARMIDALE SCHOLARSHIPS

Congratulations to our “scholarship boys” who went up to the Armidale Rugby Camp in January in recognition of their excellent performances in 2004. From left to right: Mason Horne, Hugh Barret and James Marshall. Joyce Spry, our Junior Club Patron, went to the Airport to wish the boys well. George Bretag-Norris who was in the Under 13 team last year, also went to the Camp.

Report from Hugh Barret: After two extremely boring flights George, Mason, James and I arrived in Armidale, NSW. We were then dropped off at our separate billets, which was where it got interesting. I was billeted with a large Lebanese family which was an experience in itself. After a day of farting and eating, we were sent off to the rugby camp. George, Mason and I took turns sleeping on the floor. After hundreds of push-ups, we finally made it to the matches (which we won). One day of farting and eating, two extremely boring flights and one bad in-flight movie later we arrived back in sweet, sweet Adelaide.

Report from James Marshall: In 2004 I was awarded the Joyce Spry Scholarship to attend the ABI group National Rugby Camp, in January 2005. On the 15th of January I flew to Armidale in N.S.W, via Sydney with three other players from the Old Collegians, George, Hugh and Mason. We arrived safely with everything in order until I discovered my bag was left in Adelaide. Luckily my bag was returned to me the next day in time for the camp. The camp started on Sunday afternoon, after registering we had a welcoming speech by David and Paul Schmude - the camp directors. All 237 of the attendees were split into age groups, where we stayed for the duration of the camp. I was in the 15's, 16's, 17's group. I did a range of training sessions, including: standardised testing, tackling, ball skills and decision making. My favourite session was the position specific training with players from the A.C.T. Brumbies. The 15's to 17's were divided according to field position and had a more one-on-one training session, where we learnt skills specific to our positions. On Wednesday, after all the training, we reassembled in the gym for awards and a closing speech. On Thursday George, Hugh, Mason and myself left Armidale and had a safe flight home. This time it was with my bag!

Report from Mason Horne: George, Hugh, James and I arrived at the airport in Sydney. James lost his bag and we madly rushed around looking for it with only about 10 minutes to board our flight to Armidale. When we arrived in Armidale, there was a man at the airport who picked us up and dropped us off at our billet's houses. Hugh and James both went with a Lebanese family. George went with a family with no older people our age. They were all VERY YOUNG and that night he read them bedtime stories. I went with a family who had a boy my age called Tom. It was fun, because we played PS2. The first night at the camp, Hugh was supposed to go to another room but we wanted him to stay with us so we had to take it in turns sleeping on the floor. The blankets there were very thin and we all slept in our clothes to keep warm. Most of the training we did was the same as we do here. After training we went swimming, played billiards and ate heaps. On the last day we went with our billets again. The next morning, they took us to the airport. We flew to Sydney and then home to Adelaide.

SOCIAL DIARY



SUPER 12 GAMES ON THE BIG SCREEN

We will be showing many Super 12 games on the big screen at the Club. Keep an eye out for posters / announcements.



OLD COLLEGIANS RACE DAY

After our home game against Brighton on 9 April, stay at the club for race day!



- Race on "Final Furlong" video game (cash prize for winner of the OC Final Furlong Cup)
- Calcutta for non-racers
- Prize for best "race day" outfit
- Meals available & happy hour

**PROCEEDS GO TO
OUR END OF SEASON
TRIP TO THE
MELBOURNE CUP!**



DRINKS VOUCHERS

12 drinks for the price of 10

Discount drink vouchers available over the bar – they must be used within 14 days.

FREE KEG FOR BEST TEAM!

The Old Collegian team which best supports the club's bar in 2005 will win a keg of beer at the end of the season to be announced at Presentation Night. Every time you buy a drink (alcoholic or otherwise) you will receive a "tally ticket". You simply drop it in the Tally Box of your choice, located above the bar. As before, tickets may be deducted for indiscretions such as non-payment of subs. There will be six boxes, one for each of the men's teams, one for the women and one for the social members.

SUPER 12 FOOTY TIPPING

Log onto www.footytips.com.au and join our Super 12 tipping competition (the comp name is "OC"). It's open to all members, ex-members and friends of the club. The season prize is a slab of Coopers Pale (to be collected from the bar) and unlimited gloating privileges. Late entrants are credited with "away" games. At the top of the table so far is Gus Elliot with a perfect 12 and Don Brown is at the bottom on a mere 5!