

TREGENZA TIMES

Old Collegians Rugby Football Club Inc.



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May 2007

SOCIAL DIARY

9 JUNE

after 1st XV home game v Southern

warning
**COLLEGIANS
CHILLI/CURRY
COOK OFF**
feel the fire

**Wallabies
v
Fiji**

7.30pm

*** LIVE BAND * DRINK SPECIALS ***

7 JULY

during/after 1st XV home game v Burnside



- * bouncy castle (for kids and adults) *
- * dunking machine *
- * fairy floss * games * prizes *
- * Wallabies v Springboks *

**Come to the
Club to watch
the Tri-nations**

16 June	Wallabies v Springboks (10.30pm)
23 June	Springboks v All Blacks (7.30pm, TBC)
30 June	All Blacks v Wallabies (7.30pm)
7 July	Wallabies v Springboks (7.30pm)
21 July	All Blacks v Wallabies (4.30pm, TBC)
14 July	All Blacks v Springboks (5.30pm, TBC)



DRAW

Date	Venue	Premier XV 15:20	Reserve XV 14:00	3rd XV 12:40	4th XV 11:20	Women 11:30	Under 18s 12:40	Under 16s 11:20	Under 14s 10:30	Under 12s 9:20	U8s & U10s 8:30
2 June	Gleneagles	Veterans' Parade (12:30)									
	Onkaparinga Tregenza						Onkaparinga	BYE	NED	NED	Junior Pathways (9.00)
SUNDAY 3 June	Onkaparinga	Onkaparinga	BYE		TBC						
9 June	Tregenza	Souths	Rams		TBC		BYE	Elizabeth	BYE	Elizabeth	Elizabeth
16 June	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton		TBC		Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton
23 June	Tregenza	Woodville	University		TBC		Onkaparinga	Onkaparinga	Onkaparinga	Onkaparinga	Onkaparinga
30 June	Port Gleneagles	Port Adelaide	Port Adelaide		TBC		TBC	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings
7 July	Tregenza	Burnside	Burnside		TBC		TBC	Burnside	Burnside	Burnside	Burnside
14 July	Waite	University	University		TBC		No Junior Games				
21 July	Tregenza	Brighton	Brighton		TBC		Bye	Souths	Souths	Souths	Souths
28 July	Waite NED	University	BYE		TBC		TBC	BYE	NED	NED	NED
4 Aug	Tregenza Womma	Woodville	Rams		TBC		Brighton	Elizabeth	Elizabeth	Elizabeth	Elizabeth
11 Aug	Port Womma	Port Adelaide	Elizabeth		TBC						
	Tregenza						Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	
	Onkaparinga ?						Onkaparinga				
											Junior Pathway Gala Day

**NOTES: ALL DETAILS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CONFIRM WITH YOUR COACH/MANAGER.
DRAW FOR 3rd XV, 4th XV AND WOMEN'S XV HAS NOT BEEN FINALISED**

SENIOR RUGBY

PREMIERSHIP GRADE

Coach: Rob Sadler

Managers: Hamish Cranna & Harry Clark



14th April 2007

Old Collegians 78 v Onkaparinga 0

Best Player: Andy Farquharson
(& College Cup).

Tries: Andy Farquharson (4), Charlie Sheppard (2), Simon Burmester (2), Richard Czeglik, Lee Rebbeck, Christian Tedge, James Hopkins

Convs: Andy Farquharson (9).

This cricket score was a great start to the season. We were well ahead very quickly and it was encouraging to see that we never relaxed; we are renowned for letting teams back in the game once we've pulled ahead but in this game we proved we can apply pressure throughout 80 minutes, keeping Onkaparinga scoreless.

Good performances all round!

21st April 2007 – Southern Suburbs 21 v Old Collegians 17

Best Player: Josh Badcock (and President's Award)

Tries: Jon Collins, Christian Tedge

Convs: Andy Farquharson (2)

The game against Onkaparinga last week may have lulled us into a false sense of security. We were a bit sleepy against Souths and this was well short of our best performance. That said, after four games Souths are top of the table and undefeated and should obviously not be underestimated in 2007. We'll have to do much better than this.

28th April 2007 – Old Collegians 22 v Brighton 10

College Cup: Ben Suttell

Best Player: Josh Badcock

Tries: Jon Collins, Christian Tedge, Kini Tavui, Charlie Sheppard

Conv: Andy Farquharson

The two grand finalists from 2006 (and 2005, for that matter) met again at Tregenza with Old Collegians being clearly dominant throughout. It was a day for heavy forwards work; it absolutely poured down. Our pack had a great game and pushed the Brighton pigs all around the park, to the delight of the crowd.





6th May 2007 – Woodville 10 v Old Collegians 14

Best Player: Leigh Rebbeck (and President's Award)

Try: Rob Sadler

Pens: Michael Douglas (3)

This game was closer than it should have been but it was great to see us win away from home despite the absence of several of our best players to the Adelaide Black Falcons squad.

12th May 2007 – Old Collegians 45 v Port Adelaide 15

Best Player: Brydon Twedell (and College Cup)

Tries: Aaron Edmunds, Brydon Twedell, Simon Burmester, Paul Reynolds, James Stalley, James Finkmeyer, Henry Nutt

Convs: Juan Aguiar (5)

President's Award: Henry Nutt

Despite the pleasing result, this was not the best of games. Good moments were too often interspersed with team patterns being abandoned and poor ball being flung about. "Misunderstandings" between players were common and can be explained (if not forgiven) by the absence of nine regular players to the Falcons ARS season. Port had also lost two strong players, the Mattin brothers, to the ARS and at least half their team played in both 1s and 2s.

Very soon after kick off, a great run down centre pitch by Simon Burmester resulted in a try by James Stalley. Shortly afterwards a scrum close to the 22 ended in an easy try by Aaron Edmunds cruising through gaps in Port's defensive line. Port responded with a try of their own as a result of our sloppy passing. A harsh penalty call against us not long later resulted in Port kicking for points, bouncing it off the posts and regathering and scoring the try instead. We came back at them, with Leigh Rebbeck charging down the wing and setting up a good try by Paul Reynolds. Ten minutes later a huge run by James Hall on the left wing quickly linked up with Brydon Twedell on the right wing, resulting in our fourth try (and the promise of a bonus point). We came back in the second half with 10 minutes of scrappy play and a lack of ball retention. Two quick penalties against us in our 22 gave Port their third try. We settled down for some hard Forwards' work on Port's 22, eventually allowing Simon Burmester to break through three tackles for a close-in try. Ten minutes later, in almost the same spot James Finkmeyer cruises through with half a dozen defenders seemingly not keen to get to know him. In the last minutes of the game Henry Nutt picked up the most popular try of the day, selling the dummy and running 35 metres to score under the posts to the cries of "Nutty!" from the crowd.

19th May 2007 – Burnside 34 v Old Collegians 23

Best Player: Kini Tavui

A great performance despite the loss. With something like 17 players missing across the first and second grade (due to injury, illness, personal circumstances and Falcon's duty) this was always going to be a haaard weekend. We had a lot of youth in the 1st XV this week and they did very well against a nearly full strength Burnside team at Parkinson, and were only clearly beaten in the final 10 minutes of the game. Kini Tavui made a great impact and Brydon Twedell attacked and defended well. A win would have been nice, but the Coach has no complaints about the effort this week.

RESERVE GRADE



Coach: Graham Raymond
Manager: Denzil Church

14th April 2007 – Old Collegians 19 v Onkaparinga 10

Best Player, Brad McDonald.

Tries: Peter Cross, Henry Nutt. Pens: Francois Van Wyk (3)
President's Award: Henry Nutt

21st April 2007 – Southern Suburbs 10 v Old Collegians 22

Best Player, James Stalley.

Tries: James Stalley, Aaron Edmunds, Harry Dobson, James Hall.
Conv: Juan Aguiar

28th April 2007 – Old Collegians 0 v Brighton 10

Best Player: Brad McDonald

6th May 2007 – Barossa Rams 16 v Old Collegians 10

Best Player: Stitchface 9 (otherwise known as Rory Sheppard)

Tries: Rob Lowe, James Hall

A close game and one that could and should have been won. Nevertheless, a generally pleasing performance from a squad which has had many players called up for 1st grade duty in the absence on our Falcons, and playing away from both the 1st s and the 3rds.

12th May 2007 – Old Collegians 39 v Port Adelaide 12

Best Player: Rob Lowe

Tries: Rob Lowe, James Hall (3), Peter Cross (2), Franky Van Wyk, Alex Berce

19th May 2007 – Old Collegians 14 v Burnside 12

Best Player & President's Award: David King

A great effort from everyone this week, given the lack of numbers across the four grades. David King, Simon Allport, Peter Cross, Andrew Shepherd and Rob Lowe all had conspicuously good games, but every player got at least one point in the tally for best player this week, which indicates how well the squad played as whole. A great game!

THIRD XV



Coach: Barry Hickman

Manager: Ian Walker

14th April 2007 – Old Collegians 12 v Onkaparinga 12

Best Player, Alex Berce

Tries: Ed Mitchell, Rob Paprzycki Conv: Leighton Edwards

21st April 2007 – Bye

28th April 2007

Old Colls 0 v Brighton 53

Best Player: Michael Bell

6th May 2007 - Woodville 19 v Old Collegians 12

Best Player: Andrew Shepherd

Tries: Peter Brady, Andrew Burgess Conv: Matthew Fuss

12th May 2007 – Old Collegians 14 v North Torrens 12

Best Player: Simon Allport

Tries: Simon Allport, Stewart Douglas Conv: Leighton Edwards



19th May 2007 – Old Collegians 36 v Burnside 7

FOURTH XV

Coach: Steve Stanway

14th April 2007 – Old Collegians 0 v Elizabeth 32
Best Player, David King

21st April 2007 – Brighton 24 v Old Collegians 8
Best Players, Ed Mitchell, Tony Mills, Rob Papryski.
Try: Tony Bird, Pen: Michael Bell.

28th April 2007 – Old Collegians 0 v Brighton 53
President's Award: Leigh Marsland
Best Player: Simon Allport

6th May 2007 – Barossa Rams 8 v Old Collegians 20
Best Player: John Goodwin

12th May 2007 – Elizabeth 17 v Old Collegians 12
Best Player: Leon Bowley
Tries: Guy Lithgow, Lawrence Hartney (2)

19th May 2007 – Old Collegians 15 v Brighton 36

WOMEN'S XV

Coaches: Ray Butler and Tiana Hume Manager: Janet Penhall

14th April 2007

Old Collegians defeat Burnside by forfeit

Shocking start to the season. Neither Port Adelaide nor Burnside could field a team, so both Souths and Old Collegians won their respective games by forfeit. Boo.

21st April 2007

Southern Suburbs 22 v Old Collegians 7

Best player, Kristie Hume.

Penalty try (would have been Kate Reynolds).

Conv: Tara Naige

Last year's grand finalists Souths and Old Collegians met again at Bailey with Souths winning convincingly 22 - 7. Despite having most of the possession, the Frocs failed to turn it into points. The Frocs were awarded a penalty try when Kate Reynolds toed a loose ball over the line only to be held off the ball by Souths' new winger. The try was converted by Tara Naige. Souths took advantage of their speed outside, running in four tries.



28th April 2007 – Port Adelaide/Burnside 19 v Old Collegians 31

Best Player: Belinda Wade

Tries: Belinda Wade, Kate Reynolds (2), Naomi Woodstock, Liz Gabb Convs: Tara Naige

Burnside and Port Adelaide have merged and their combined team met Old Collegians this weekend, leaving Souths with the bye. Old Collegians travelled out to Port Adelaide to play in windswept and pouring conditions, winning convincingly 31 - 19. Port Adelaide put their stamp on the game early with two quick tries in the first five or so minutes. Despite not historically being a team that comes back from behind, the Frocs showed good discipline and kept battering away. After a scrum only a few metres of the line, half back Belinda Wade took a quick run down the blind side to score in the corner. Another scrum delivered clean ball to the backline and Katie Reynolds dodged through some sloppy defence to run in a 60 metre try. Another try from Port took the half time score to 19 v 12. After half time, some of the early hiccoughs were ironed out; Port Adelaide/Burnside were kept scoreless in the second half and a further three tries were run in, by Kate Reynolds, Naomi Woodstock and Liz Gabb. The three conversions were kicked by Tara Naige. This was a great result for the team who have already suffered some unfortunate injuries and absences at this early stage of the season.

6th and 19th May 2007 – BYES

12th May 2007 – Old Collegians 15 v Port Adelaide/Burnside 24

Best Player: Kate Reynolds

Tries: Phoebe Hope (2), Conv: Tara Naige

The merged Burnside and Port Adelaide had, at one point, 13 players, with the result being that they and Old Collegians played 11 aside, 12 aside and even 13 aside this weekend. Port Adelaide were the clear winners, 24 to 14. The game played not dissimilarly to our last outing against them at Port Adelaide, with them scoring four good tries in the first half and early in the second half thanks to strong running combination of Lee Fata and Lee Fry in the centres. Old Collegians fought back well against the 24 - 0 lead and played good running rugby and won a great deal of possession in the last third of the game. Two excellent tries were scored by the speedy fullback, new recruit Phoebe Hope, and converted by Tara Naige. However, it was too little, too late.

SENIOR SELECTION POLICY

First and Second Grade

To be eligible for selection for First or Second grade players are required to attend two (2) training sessions per week.

Third, Fourth and Women's Grade

Players are encouraged to train twice per week to improve their fitness and their chances for promotion, but to be eligible for selection players are required to attend at least one (1) training session per week, preferably the Thursday night.

Training Sessions

There are two (2) main training sessions per week, currently Tuesday and Thursday nights. Occasionally, particularly leading up to the finals, extra training sessions may be scheduled at the discretion of the coaches. Prior notice will be given to the players if extra sessions are planned.

Training Attendance Record

The Selection Committee will keep a record of all training attendances. If a player cannot attend training the player is required to call/SMS **Denzil** on **0412 972406** and provide a reason for non-attendance i.e. injury, illness or work commitments etc. Apologies via team mates will not be accepted. The Training Attendance Record is an important part of the selection process with priority given to players that train over those who don't. There will be a chart in the change rooms that will show every players training attendance throughout the season, this will be updated after each training session.

Injured Players

Players injured during games or training will only be eligible for selection once they have been cleared to play by our medical team and passed fit by the coaches. Injured players are expected to attend the club to receive treatment. Players who miss more than two (2) consecutive games will be selected in a lower grade than what they were playing in prior to injury. **NB** This will be subject to the discretion of the Selection Committee taking into account the individuals prior form, current fitness and team balance issues.

State Representatives

Players who have been absent due to State Team commitments will be eligible for automatic selection wherever the Selection Committee deem fit.

Suspended Players

Players found guilty of an offence by the SARU Judiciary will not necessarily follow the above process once their suspension has been served. The Selection Committee can impose its own further penalties depending on the seriousness of the original offence.

Danny McCartan

Director of Rugby – O.C.R.U.F.C. - 2007

JUNIOR RUGBY



The Under 16s have been sporting great new jerseys courtesy of their generous sponsor, Finlaysons Lawyers. On 16th May we had a Junior Fun Run to help raise funds for matching new jerseys for the rest of the junior teams. It was a fantastic turn out of kids, parents and members of the senior club. It was great to see the older, faster and fitter kids helping out their club mates, jogging with them, encouraging them and occasionally carrying them. The Under 8s set a cracking pace; so much so that young Harrison (grandson of Mick & Barb Finn) was the first player of all teams to finish the first lap. However, the youngsters from the 8s and 10s flagged a bit after the couple of laps. To be fair, the vast majority of them finished their full 10 laps, to the horror of a couple of sponsors who had hastily promised \$5 or more per lap, thinking they'd run out of steam after only a couple. The first to finish all ten laps was Ashwin Thomas, and D'Arcy Sadler ran the most laps, declining to stop until she'd finished 30. We are still collecting the money and we'll let you know how much we raised once it has all been counted. Thanks to everyone for their support.

Just a reminder...

Training starts at 6pm prompt on Wednesdays and 6.15pm on Mondays. Monday training sessions are evolving into an additional training session for the U16 and U14. It would be great to have some U18 to help with defensive lines for the U16s. U12s are welcome to come and join the U14 session.

If equipment is used it needs to be returned - not left in a pile at the bottom of the stairs. Training balls need to be returned. Without a ball to play with, training becomes a bit pointless!

Needless hoofing of the ball by front row forwards is entirely irrelevant to their game!!!

Big thanks to the Junior Committee and all coaches, managers and supporters for everything they're doing with junior rugby at Old Colls! Particular thanks to Team Managers who have provided match reports, allowing us to have a decent few pages in this newsletter devoted entirely to Junior Rugby. Also thanks to Martin Gold (www.mrgold.net/philgold) for the photos of the Under 18s. Anyone who has photos of their team, please forward them to kim@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au and we'll make sure they get on the website and Tregenza Times.

FINLAYSONS

UNDER 8s

Coach: Trish Abbott

Manager: Danielle Carter

5th May 2007 – Onkaparinga defeated by Old Collegians

12th May 2007 – Old Collegians 30 v Vikings 30

A real team effort by the U8s proved the difference. At half time Vikings were up by one try but Colls played good attacking rugby to tie the game up. The Defence was outstanding as Vikings tried to score time and time again. Best Player: Oscar Armstrong

19th May 2007 – Old Collegians 5 v Burnside 20

Tackling in the backs was the main feature of a tight game. Colls played good team rugby.

UNDER 10s

Coach: Stewart Frew, Matt Hodgson

Manager: Jill Taylor

Thanks to David Pridham for coaching the kids for the last couple of months. David has chosen to step down from that role but we're sure we'll see him on the sidelines supporting the kids!

5th May 2007 – Onkaparinga 70 v Old Collegians 5

A great first game against the toughest team. Well played by all; especially notable were Jenny Macklin and McKenzie Sadler dishing out some tough tackles and Isaac Taylor scoring a great try (the only one) on the whistle. Rhys Frew ran the ball up well and all new players showed good form. Old Colls really picked up their tackling in the second half.

12th May 2007 – Old Collegians 35 v Vikings 25

Best Players: Venetia and Nick Litchfield.

Nick also won the award for Best Junior Player of the Day, and a voucher from Athlete's Foot.

Tries: Isaac Taylor, Luke Howes, Nick Litchfield, Mackenzie Sadler

Some great tackles and pickups, everyone had a run with the ball and that means great team play beginning to appear. Venetia made a huge effort, Luke Isaac, Philip and Nick all had some great runs but all in all everyone worked well as a team and it paid off. Rhys Frew ran the ball up well and all new players showed good form. Old Colls really picked up their tackling in the second half.

19th May 2007 – Old Collegians 5 v Burnside 50

Best Players: Phillip Green and Liam Trus

Some good efforts this week in a tough game, noteworthy were Phillip Green and Liam Trus who are really finding their form this year. Luke, McKenzie and Nick also put in a good effort with some great tackling. There were a few injuries this week though with Jenny, Jo and Rhys going off and the team will need to try and get back on track with the communicating and working together as a team which proved so successful against the Vikings last week. Overall, a good effort with Isaac putting Old Colls on the board with at least one try.

UNDER 12s

Coaches: Tony Herve

Manager: Nigel Duckett

5th May 2007 – Onkaparinga 66 v Old Collegians 5

Against a much older side, the Under 12s struggled to retain possession. Brave tackling by Rick Wilkinson and tenacity from Chris Hodgson finally led to a determined try.

12th May 2007 – Old Collegians 15 v Vikings 15

Tries: Chris Hodgson (2), Rick Wilkinson

A well-earned draw was set up by 2 tries to livewire Chris Hodgson, the second of which was setup by Cam Andrews. Rick Wilkinson blitzed the entire field for his score. Tough tackling from fullback & solid drives & defence from the pack kept Vikings in check.

19th May 2007 – Old Collegians 7 v Burnside 55

The U12s encountered a strong well drilled team. In a game of many penalties, OC struggled for rhythm. Powerful running from Laughlin Pridham gained field position for Digby Sever's sole try.

UNDER 14s



Coaches: Henry Nutt and Will Chattaway

Manager: Lloyd Nutt

5th May 2007 – Onkaparinga ? v Old Collegians ?

12th May 2007 – Old Collegians 0 v Vikings 73

19th May 2007 – Old Collegians ? v Burnside ?

UNDER 16s

Coaches: Simon Macklin and Guy Barrett

Manager: Michael Barrett

5th May 2007 – Onkaparinga 24 v Old Collegians 7

Old Collegians Best players were Macklin, Wagstaff and Smith. We saw string forwards' play and good scrummaging under continuous pressure. The team was somewhat depleted by the absence of the Saints' boys, but it was a string start to the season.

12th May 2007 – Old Collegians 20 v Vikings 24

Best Players: BOG Whewell, Maybury, Barrett, Linder-Patton
Tries: Maybury, Whewell, Macklin

Good aggressive start with strong, fast running back play. Excellent ball retention allowed us to play the first half on the front foot and allowed the backs to show their skills. However, fitness failed us and resulted in a failure to secure possession in the second half. This left us chasing shadows. A disappointing result after a good performance last week.

19th May 2007 – Old Collegians 17 v Burnside 10

Best Players: Macklin, Linder-Patton, Maybury
Tries: Macklin, Wagstaff, Ha Conversion: Macklin

Our first win of this season against a big Burnside team. Excellent back play with good clean ball provided by the forwards. This was a difficult game for the forwards against a sizeable Burnside pack. However, they stuck their ground and defended extremely well. There was hardly a tackle missed and the clean ball in the second half meant that the backs always looked dangerous and invariably crossed the gain line. **Unfortunately, our discipline let us down in the final minutes.** Congratulations to Jimmy Ha on his inaugural try for OC.



UNDER 18s – COLTS

Coaches: Jonathon Neate & David Linder-Patton Manager: Doug Mein

5th May 2007 – Onkaparinga 40 v Old Collegians 22

The tries were scored by J Macklin, R Bell, S Oughton and R Mein, with Macklin also kicking the conversion. Scrums were uncontested due to a lack of props. It was an excellent running game. Best Players: Tom Northcott, Sam Oughton and James Neate.



12th May 2007 Old Collegians 31 v

Brighton 5

Best Players:
C Neate, W Sadler
Tries: C Bartlett, G Bautz,
R Mein (3)

Conversions: Sadler (3)
Turned out a full compliment of 22 and loaned 3 to Brighton. Game played in very warm conditions. Tight in the first half – half time score OC 7 Brighton 5. OC always looked more



likely to break out however. Second half dominated by OC for 25 minutes with 4 tries (1 conversion). Fantastic effort in last 10 minutes to hold out Brighton who were camped on the 5m line. Held up in goal a couple of times – great effort to deny Brighton a try. Good games from S Oughton, J Leonardis, T Northcott, T Nutt, G Bautz and H Lord.

19th May 2007 Old Collegians 5 v

Brighton 22

Best Players:
C Neate, W Sadler
Try: Robbie Bell

OC were not able to match Brighton's intensity for the full game. Brighton scored 3 tries (1 conversion) in the first half to our single unconverted try (by Robbie Bell). The second half was better with Brighton confined to a single try. 30minute halves were played instead of the anticipated 35 minute halves.

SCRUMBAG

NEWS & GOSSIP



We all heartily enjoyed the **Adelaide 7s**, and we're already looking forward to 2008. Tregenza played host to the Kiwis, the Kenyans (training together in the photo below) and also to Hong Kong. Collegians were out in force at Adelaide Oval, many of the dressed like utter twits in the best tradition of Rugby Sevens. It was also good to see a few Collegians of the past at Adelaide Oval, such as Sandy Taylor, Dean Bradley and Bec Ogilvy. Congratulations and thanks to those Collegians who assisted in the event including Sue Thewlis, Bob Stafford-Lee, Beck Derbyshire-Lloyd (liaisons etc to international teams), Andrew Schwilk (touch judge), Andy Farquharson, Ben Suttell, James Hopkins and Christian Tedge (benching for the visiting teams), Andrew Bradley, Stewart Nutt, Paddy Macklin, Edward Lucas, Nathan Linder-Patton and Ashwin Thomas (ball boys), Jack Champion, Jason Leonardis, Henry Nutt, Tom Nutt and Will Sadler (crowd entertainment and the like).



One of the blokes from the Third Grade was recently heard describing a particular part of their game with reference to a play by "that tough bloke". Well, for the sake of the argument let's say that they're clearly *all* tough and enquire further as to who might be meant. Further questioning indicated that the player in question was regarded as someone who must be *particularly* tough, given that is going by the nickname "Toughy". Ah! All becomes clear. We think you may have meant our resident Welshman, **Leighton Edwards**, actually known by the imaginative name *Taffy*. Definitely Taffy, not Toughy.

In case anyone has missed it, we have an exciting, shiny new **YouTube** channel. Every week we post at least one short video clip on the internet showing some highlights of the previous weekend's rugby at OC. Log on each week and re-live the glory. www.youtube.com/ocrfc (and www.youtube.com/thefrocs for the girls' games).

Our 1st XV, 2nd XV and Under 16s are all sporting new jerseys from Ticka Sports. Our thanks go to sponsors EmbroidMe (seniors) and Finalyson's (juniors) for making that possible. They're good looking jerseys and the feedback from the players has been resoundingly positive, with the sole exception of a few fellows who are a *little* larger than their new athletic-cut jersey. We've sent back to the manufacturer for 6XL's. The manufacturers are based in Asia, and we hear that they are highly amused at the idea of a player big enough to wear 6XL. After all, some families in Hong Kong live in apartments smaller than that.

Our biggest thanks to **Jack Walton** and **Justin Elder** who have both donated wine (in Jack's case) and art (in Justin's case) for the club to raffle off as fundraisers. More fundraising means better facilities and lower subs. We really appreciate it guys!

Having spent most of the Footytips season in front, it was a tight finish for **Jason Leonardis** who finished top, but only on margin; **Roy Crawford** gave him a real run for his money in the last few rounds. Jason won \$250. Well done. See you all back at it for the RWC tipping comp!

Anyone care to supply a caption for the photo (right) of Juan?!



Young **Hugh Lord**, of our Under 18s, recently went to the AIS in Canberra. He reports as follows “I boarded the plane to go to the AIS in Canberra on 16 January not knowing what the next three days would be like. Unfortunately Gareth Bautz was not able to attend the Brumbies training camp, due to a broken arm. Luckily I was not alone as three other blokes from SA were going as well. When we arrived we were shown our accommodation, which was about a 30 minute walk from the AIS. There were 64 people that attended the camp. We did two days of skills based training, mostly ball handling skills, the last day we did position specific skills, which was very interesting. At the end of the last day the group was split into 4 and we played 2 games against each other. Unfortunately I was hit in the head about three times and suffered concussion for the next two weeks. We ate all our meals at the AIS, they were excellent. The facilities there are amazing as well. It was a very good three days and in which I learnt huge amounts of information. I enjoyed myself greatly and would like to thank the sponsors of the Howard Clay scholarship for giving me the opportunity to go to the camp. I would also like to make a special thank you to Anne Bradley for putting so much time and effort into organizing the trip.”



Season 2007 has already sported two Saturdays when it absolutely belted down. Our condolences go to those boys & girls who sit on the bench in the pouring rain. You will see from these photos that everyone has their own way of dealing with wet weather on the sideline, with half a dozen of the lads from Collegians 2nd XV huddling under the same umbrella, while the boys from Burnside chose to sit *under* the bench rather than on it.



The new **YouTube** channel has drawn attention from far a-field. First XV Manager, **Hamish Cranna**, logged on from the UK to see how much better his team was doing under the supervision of **Harry Clark**. **Paul Horne** has been watching from Melbourne and making careful note of the voices he can hear in the background. A stranger of Scandinavian descent has been closely monitoring the progress of our Women's XV (we note from *her* channel that she's also watching a lot of other women's sports and also a fair amount of Sapphic erotica. Hmmm.) We also received a comment from someone who tells us that we've no right to call ourselves Old Collegians and that only teams hailing from Wesley College (Melbourne, est 1882) are entitled to that moniker. We decline to comment other than to note that intrepid Googling suggests that Wesley Old Collegians don't even play rugby (insert scathing contempt here).



Jeremy Allport and his son Simon Allport (pictured left) had the distinction of playing together in our Third XV against Burnside on 19 May. Which begs the question, if Jeremy is “Mad Dog”, what does that make Simon?

We always struggle a bit at this time of the year. It has been really gratifying that having lost upwards of a dozen players from the 1s and 2s to Falcons, injury and personal circumstances, we are still fielding four full senior men's teams – and indeed won all in all four grades on the weekend of 12th May. Pats on the back all round! For the first time, we aren't feeling it *quite* as much. The 1st XV have remained competitive, winning two of the first three Falcon-less games so far, unlike most years when we go win-less for this period.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Matt and Michelle Carr** (nee Wilson, an ex-OC women's player and daughter of the Dawn and Don Wilson who are still strong supporters of OC) on the arrival of **Alicia** on 16 March at 2.59am, at a tiny 7lb 7oz and 48cm in length. Her brother, Lachie, has accepted her well, kissing and cuddling and trying share his food with her.

Congratulations to **Rev Simon Bailey** who recently celebrated his 40th year of playing rugby!

Congratulations to **Simon and Rachel Young** who were married on 28 April 2007.

Love and kisses to **Murray Curran** on his recent 60th Birthday!

Congratulations to **Jon and Emma** on the birth of young **Oliver Collins**. This young gentleman has an unparalleled Collegians pedigree, coming from combined Collins and Suttell stock. He's a good boy too. His arrival was vaguely expected to interfere with the First XV game against Brighton but even at this tender age he has his priorities sorted and didn't turn up until the middle of the next week. You will note that the young man bears the initials “OC”. We can't wait to make his acquaintance.

Congratulations to **Damien and Sarah Keating** (nee Lasscock, an ex-OC women's player) on the recent arrival of **Joseph Patrick** (9lb 11 oz), a brother to Grace and James.

Congratulations to Andrew Bradley who recently travelled to Perth for the Junior Archery Nationals and won a Gold medal and a Silver medal.



FUNDRAISER – BUY A TILE!

We need to raise funds to pay for the new showers. For \$20 you can have your name written on a tile in the new bathroom and secure your place on Collegians' walls. (For \$50 we'll even let you choose the position of the tile.)

CLUB CRECHE

Michaela Osborne is proving baby sitting services at the clubrooms on a Thursday night to parents who struggle to balance their training commitments as well as the kids. The club will also provide a discounted subs rate to assist with these costs. However, we are just trialling it at the moment and if it is not used we'll have to discontinue it, so make use of it if you want to see it stay. Ask us if you are interested and would like more information.

2007 SUBSCRIPTION FEES

Subs for 2007 have not been increased from last year!

\$255 – full playing member

\$205 – concession playing member

\$110 – voting member

\$70 – social member

\$50 RAFFLE EVERY THURSDAY!

All members who had paid their subs before 3rd May 2007 go into a weekly raffle for a \$50 voucher to be used at the club. The winner must be present at the draw in the clubrooms after training on every Thursday from 3rd May onwards. Paull Francis won in the first week; Derek Angove would have won in the second week, but missed out because he wasn't there!

OLD COLLEGIANS MERCHANDISE

Supporter's Jersey (pictured right) \$50 (by order only)

Adult Fleece \$48 (by order only)

Junior Fleece \$38 (by order only)

Sports Bag \$15

Fleecy Beanie \$15

Stubby Holder \$5

Speak to Sue Thewlis or Curtis the Barman or email Kim on kim@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au

Thanks to Ticka Sports (our new friend Seru) and EmbroidMe (our old friend Cameron McDonald) for their competitive quotes on Old Collegians merchandising in 2007.



DISCOUNTS FOR CLUB MEMBERS

CHAMPS SPORT STORE – 10% DISCOUNT

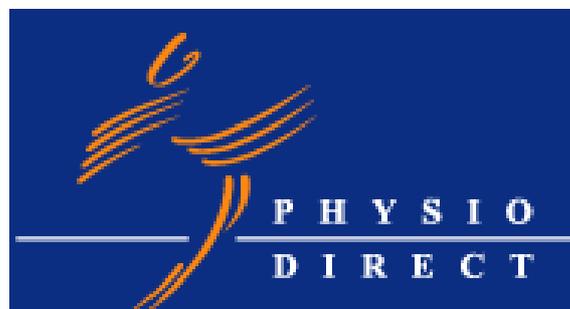
Champs Sport Store in Burnside Village always offer all club members a **10% discount** on all stock!

PHYSIOTHERAPY FOR CLUB MEMBERS

Physio Direct offers special rates to
ALL Old Collegians club-members

Particularly attractive rates for 1st Grade, 2nd Grade and
Women's Grade players.

Call 8373 1324 to arrange an appointment.



Athlete's Foot in Burnside offers all club members a **10% discount on all stock**. The store is owned and run by Gary Pope who is one of SARU's referees and a long time supporter of Old Colls. He can give you good advice about the right rugby boot for you.

Please note that the **Canterbury shop in the Myer Centre** no longer offers Old Collegians a discount – we suggest you go to Champs in Burnside Village, who do stock Canterbury gear and offer us a 10% discount.



Old Collegians is proud to have **POWER LOAN** as our sponsor. Power Loan is an international finance company that has been in operation for over 7 years. The Head Office is located in Adelaide, with numerous branches and offices operating across Australia & New Zealand.

Old Collegian's Juan Aguiar is a Service Manager with Power Loan and would be very happy to help anyone connected with Old Collegians achieve their financial goals and objectives. Contact him by email at juan@powerloan.com.au or 0439 865 153. Power Loan is confident that it has a better option than your current arrangements and the club receives **sponsorship funds** from everyone connected with Old Collegians who signs up with Power Loan.

There is access to a large range of Power Loan products, including for:

- First Home Buyers
- Home Owners
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Each of these Power Loan products are developed and structured to meet the individual client's needs. This combined with the Personal Service Manager enables clients to achieve finance success.

NEWS FROM SA RUGBY UNION

South Australian Rugby Union - Hall of Fame

The South Australian Rugby Union Hall of Fame is aimed at providing recognition of individuals that have made a significant contribution to the game of Rugby Union in South Australia. The aim is to recognise and enshrine players, coaches, administrators, referees and golden oldies who have made a significant contribution to the game. Players are eligible three years after retiring from all levels of Rugby Union, including golden oldies. The Hall of Fame Selection Committee will consider nominations of South Australian achievements at all levels of Rugby Union. Persons who have passed are still eligible for nomination.

The Pioneers 1st Period - 10 years Developing the Game 2nd Period - 20 years
Consolidating the Future 3rd Period - 20 years Achieving Greatness 4th Period - 25 years
Anyone from OC's who would like to nominate someone should contact the Sue Thewlis.

Vodafone Adelaide Black Falcons

The Vodafone Adelaide Black Falcons are halfway through their ARS campaign. Make sure you turn up to their games at Gleneagles on 26 May and 2 June and cheer on our boys.

Contact Sue Thewlis to purchase a ticket on OCs table in the Hospitality Tent.



FALCONS' PERCH HOSPITALITY

Last year this event attracted 140 people so book early to avoid disappointment.

Vodafone Adelaide Black Falcons v Melbourne Axemen

June 2, 2007
Gleneagles Reserve
1pm sit down lunch
Tickets: \$80 per head or \$750 per table of 10
Package includes: All food and beverage, Steaks from Tony Buckley [My Wholesale Butcher] scrumptiously prepared by Annou's Head Chef Travis Kerkman.
Don't miss all the excitement of this event including the Captains address and business card draw.

The Falcons squad of 30 for the 2007 Australian Rugby Shield is as follows.

Old Collegians

Christian Tedge
Charles Sheppard
Kini Tavui
Andrew Farquharson
Jon Collins
Ben Hamer
Will Mellor
Richard Czeglik
Ben Suttell
Aminiasi (Seru) Rainima

Port Adelaide

Timothy Mattin
Aaron Mattin

Woodville
Shane Hunt
William Van Wettere
Matthew Connor
Warren Duff

Brighton

Gareth Brown
Mitch Lyden
Daniel George
Clint Callaghan
Wayne Londema

Southern Suburbs

Mika Lawere
Declan Scragg

University

Simon Redburn
Rudolph Timoteo

Burnside

Tim Lough
Andrew Lough
Ross Duncan
Keith Molyneux
Benedict Fiers

SA RUGBY TURNS 75! The 75th anniversary merchandise range is available now. For more information and a brochure call Holly on 8232 7101. The example to the right represent only a portion of the range.

SA RUGBY 75th ANNIVERSARY MERCHANDISE RANGE



Limited Edition Heritage Jersey
Sizes - S, M, L, XL, XXL



75th Cotton Jersey
Sizes - XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL



75th Kids T
Sizes - XS, S, M

75th SARU Anniversary Gala Dinner

The date for the 75th Anniversary Gala Dinner is **Saturday, 4th August.**

Please book this date in your diary now as it will be a great night where you can catch up with old rugby friends. Watch SARU bulletins and their website (www.sarugby.com.au) for further information or contact Julie at SA Rugby on 8232 7101.

WEEKLY AWARDS

Thanks to the generosity of the following sponsors, we are awarding these weekly prizes in 2007.

The President's Award

The President's Awards are vouchers from **Athlete's Foot in Burnside**; they are awarded every week to:

- the most valuable player from the four senior men's teams as judged by the President (\$25)
- the most valuable player from the women's team as judged by the President (\$20)
- the most valuable player from the junior teams as judged by the Junior Rugby Director (\$15)

The College Cup

The College Cup is awarded at every home game to the best player from all grades, as judged by the Selectors. It is a \$25 voucher from **Champs Sports Store in Burnside Village**. It also includes the right to drink from the pewter College Cup for the night. The first drink is on the club; after that the winner's team-mates are expected to keep it full!



The Physio Direct Under 8's Encouragement Award

Thanks to our good friends at Physio Direct, a pair of club socks is presented to the Under 8 player of the week, as selected by their coach, the indomitable Trish Abbot.

OBITUARY

Alastair K "Scotchy" Gordon

30 October 1928 – 25 April 2007



It is with sorrow that we mark the passing of Scotchy Gordon. Scotchy represented Australia at athletics at the 1950 British Empire Games in Auckland where he won a gold medal as a member of the 4x110 yards relay team. In 1952 he equalled the national 100 metres record of 10.5 but missed selection for the 1952 Olympic team. Scotchy turned to coaching after his competitive sprinting career. He also loved Rugby Union and was a dedicated Old Collegian. He was a great personality with a great sense of humour and will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Scotchy revelled in the image of a grumpy old man but, behind that gruff exterior, there was a man of immense sensitivity and kindness. He was erudite and well read and always enjoyed a fight, whether it be verbal or physical. Often, after a public verbal battle he would say quietly "that was a good one" and then we would then privately discuss what we really thought.

Scotchy is shown here, presenting the West End Trophy to Old Collegians in 1966.
Our heartfelt condolences go his family.

(Thanks to Fletcher McEwen for excerpts of this Obituary)

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