



Old Collegians Rugby Weekly News



20 February 2014

SENIOR RUGBY

PRESEASON TRAINING HAS STARTED - SEE YOU THERE!

2014 COACHES & MANAGERS

We are happy to announce the following appointments.

1st XV: Coach Peet Arnold, Assistant Coach David Nolan, Manager Tom Secker

2nd XV: Coaches Stewart Douglas and James Irving, Manager Doug Mein

3rd XV: Coach Graham Raymond, Manager Ian Walker

4th XV: Coaches Lenny Eilers and Nick Porter, Manager Alex Walwyn

Women's XV: Coach David Linder Patton, Manager Katey Bereny

CLUB CAPTAIN & PLAYERS COMMITTEE

We will be electing a new Senior Club Captain during the pre-season. The role of Club Captain is an honour and a responsibility. The Club Captain is the voice of the players. His/her duties include:

- ensuring club morale and spirit is maintained and attending OC matches, across all ages and grades
- maintaining discipline amongst the players
- helping coaches/selectors provide players with the opportunity to excel
- leading by example in training, conduct on the field and support of club activities
- acting as a representative/advocate for players to the coaches/selectors
- representing the club at functions, including speeches at home games and formal events
- representing the interests of the players to the coaches, selectors and the committee

The Club Captain will be assisted in these duties by a committee of players, with two representatives from each senior grade. Please forward any nominations for Club Captain and/or the Players Committee to kim@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au.

SENIOR REGISTRATION AND FEES

Senior Player: \$295 Concession Player: \$255 Social Member: \$80

Senior players are expected to be financial by the first game of the Premiership Round 2014 (April).

Players who are unfinancial after the second week of the Premiership Round will not be eligible for selection and will be charged a late fee. As you all know, OC calculates your subs to cover only SARU/ARU affiliation and insurance fees. Every senior financial player will receive a complimentary club polo (RRP \$35) upon payment of their fees.

JUNIOR RUGBY

Pre-Season Training

Under 12s - Under 14s - Under 16s - Under 18s

Tuesday 18 February 5.30pm till 7.00pm

Tuesday 25 February 5.30pm till 7.00pm

Tuesday 4 March 5.30pm till 7.00pm

Tuesday 11 March 5.30pm till 7.00pm

Tuesday 18 March 5.30pm till 7.00pm

Normal Monday/Wednesday training will commence Monday 24 March (6.00pm till 7.30pm).

Under 7s - Under 8s - Under 10s

Training commences Wednesday 26 March at 6pm.

2014 COACHES & MANAGERS

Under 7s: Coaches James Denley and James Punshon

Under 8s: Coaches Jarrod Deakin and Juan Aguiar, Manager Corné Arnold

Under 10s: Coaches Craig Barlow and Russell Gordon, Manager David Linton

Under 12s: Coaches Charles List and Craig Williamson, Managers Fraser Bell and Mark Edwards

Under 14s: Coaches Stewart Frew, Richard Pardoe, Graham Copson and Steve Hewitt, Manager Chris Barry

Under 16s: Coaches Michael Westerik, Ian Horne, Simon Pickford and Peter Dubois, Manager Tania Joppich

Under 18s: Coaches Ben Suttell, Tom Moon, Todd Graham & Henry Nutt, Managers Jane Richards & Denzil Church

OC PLAYERS TRUST

The OC Players Trust was established in 2012 and is a separate fund which is independently raised and administered. The Trust exists to support players, coaches & administrators who wish to remain in (and/or relocate to) Adelaide for personal, study, business or career reasons and who commit to contributing to the success of Old Collegians.

The Trust can provide financial grants, for example scholarships to assist with formal study, career development, skills training and/or extramural study, or such other assistance as deemed appropriate by the Trustees.

Email kim@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au for a grant application form or for more information.

SOCIAL

GOLF DAY



Congrats to our victorious Golfers who took out the "Battle of the Clubs" Trophy against the Barossa last weekend.

Well done to all (particularly the excellent Ross Tilson who scarppered before the photo was taken), and thanks to the Rams for putting on a great day.

Don't forget: the Clubroom Bar is open on Wednesday and Thursday nights, and every Thursday is \$10 steak night!



BLACK FALCONS MOVIE NIGHT

Throw your support behind the Black Falcons tour of New Zealand by seeing a great movie! The lads are raising funds to support their tour to New Zealand in June 2014.

**Hoyts Norwood
Sunday 16th March, 7 pm**

Ticket cost of **\$25** includes luck door raffle prizes and great evening of entertainment.

The Monuments Men... an unlikely World War II platoon is tasked to rescue art masterpieces from Nazi thieves and return them to their owners.

Starring George Clooney, Matt Damon, Cate Blanchett, Bill Murray and John Goodman

[Watch the trailer here!](#)

Contact OC's Tim Wonders at the club or on wonders_tim@yahoo.com.au for tickets or for more information

STATE REPRESENTATIVE RUGBY

SA RUGBY BID FOR NATIONAL RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIP

SA Rugby has put in a bid for a team in the inaugural National Rugby Championship which starts in August, amongst 40 other expressions of interest, and we expect to hear more by mid March.

CEO Lachlan Clark has said the strength of SA's bid would hinge on having a sound financial model and the ability to attract players to SA. Some Super Rugby players would be made available, but recruitment from interstate would still be necessary to field a competitive outfit. "We don't have the Super Rugby franchise like Melbourne, Canberra and Perth or the full-time staff required. But we believe we have a big, untapped rugby population of fans and the International Sevens showed we can get commercial backing."

Key criteria in determining the successful bids will be financial performance, professional staffing structure and environment, commitment to player development, venue facilities, links to Super Rugby clubs and potential fan base. The competition will be contested from August to October.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OCs STATE REPS!

Congratulations to the OCs selected for the Black Falcons XV's tour of NZ this year:
Henry Nutt, Gary Mann, George Bretag Norris, Wayne Power, Tim Wonders, Paddy Macklin, Mitch Oak, Chris Bartlett

...and the Southern Warriors 7s tour to Nationals in Canberra:
Mackenzie Sadler, Nadia Blake, Anja Halstead

Money is scarce in our code at the moment and these players have to raise substantial sums to fund their state representation. Please look on them with a generous heart if they approach you selling raffle tickets/wine/chocolate/their immortal souls, and if anyone is feeling particularly munificent and would like to sponsor one of them, please let us know!

SOUTHERN STATES UNDER 20's CHAMPIONSHIPS & SA RUGBY SEASON LAUNCH!

Head down to Adelaide Airport Stadium (Thebarton Oval) for the Southern States Under 20's Championships and SA Rugby's Season Launch!

Get out to Thebarton Oval and support SA Rugby and OC's state reps...

U15s: Ollie Horne (c), Rory Illman, & Thomas Copson (Sunday)

U17s: Charlie Pickford & George Campbell (Sunday)

Women's 7s: Mackenzie Sadler, Anja Halstead, Nadia Blake & Jadeen Chisholm (Sunday)

Under 20s: Stewart Nutt & Paddy Macklin (Saturday and Sunday)

**SA RUGBY UNION
SEASON LAUNCH
FEBRUARY 22-23
ADELAIDE AIRPORT STADIUM**

INCLUDING
Southern States
U20's Championships
Junior Gold Cup
U15's and U17's



\$5 entry **U16 FREE**

GATES OPEN

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| SAT 22 | SUN 23 |
| 1:00PM | 10:30AM |

**PARKING AVAILABLE
COOPERS BAR, BBQ
AND CATERING**



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Saturday 22 February

1.30pm: Women's and U20s 7s
3.30pm: Under 20s, Victoria v ACT
5pm: Under 20s, WA v NSW Country
6.30pm: Under 20s, SA v QLD Country

Sunday 23 February

10:30am U12s & U14s Junior Academy Game
11.30am: Women's and U20's 7s
1.45pm: U15s, SA v ACT
3pm: U17s, SA v ACT
4.20pm: U20s, Qld Country v NSW Country

Monday 24 February

9am: U20s, SA v NSW Country
10.30: U20s, Vic v Qld Country
12pm: U20s, WA v ACT
Wednesday 26 February
12.30pm: U20s, Vic v WA
2pm: U20s, SA v ACT

CLUB NOTES

COACHING COURSES

Saturday 22 March 2014: Foundation Course

This course assists coaches in obtaining their level 1 coaching accreditation.

Level 2 Coaching Course

This course provides coaches with the ability to identify and coach correctly the roles players will perform in a game. Modules focus on a number of technical aspects.

Attendees must be available to attend **all three days** of the course.

Sun 23rd March, Sun 18th May and Sun 20th July

The club will pay for any Old Collegian who would like to undertake any of these courses. If you are interested in a course, please let us know – sue@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au

NEW SCRUM MACHINE!

We have bitten the bullet and bought a new scrum machine for the Club. The current 20 year old machine has given us good service but has seen better days. Now it's of limited value to our senior squads, and its dimensions have meant that it was never much use to our juniors or women anyway. So, the Shiny New Machine will arrive in a few weeks. It is generally *fancier* and will allow for more advanced scrumming technique training, and it is also fully adjustable so that our juniors and women can get the best possible use from it too.

As you would expect, a scrum machine is a significant expense, and thanks go to our Juniors for their Fun Run fundraising which made a healthy contribution towards the cost.

RUGBY ROVERS...

About this time of year we get emails from rugby players roaming the globe and looking to settle in Adelaide for a few weeks, months or years to play for Old Collegians. If you have an empty flat, bedroom or couch and would like to supplement your income by sharing it with a new Old Collegian, let us know!

STRAPPING & FIRST AID COURSES

Strapping Course: Sunday 2 March 2014

First Aid Course: Date TBA

The club will pay for any Old Collegian who would like to undertake the strapping course, and will run a first aid course if there is sufficient interest. If you are interested in either or both courses, please let us know – sue@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au

THE PITCH & THE LIGHTS

Thanks again to Mark Pickard (and all the boys at training on Thursday) for the freshly top-dressed field. Thanks to their hard work, and the recent rain, Tregenza will shortly be lush and beautiful and flat.

The excellent Mr Pickard also assures us that we will be fully lit again by the end of daylight savings. We thank him, again, from the bottom of my heart.

WORKING BEE

All hands on deck! Saturday 1 & Sunday 2 March

No skills needed (although tradesmen are particularly welcome). Come along and help us spruce up the club for 2014.

With thanks to our Sponsors!

