

# Tregenza Times

Old Collegians Rugby Union Football Club Inc



1st September 2016



**Congratulations to our 2016 Premiers!**

**Premier Grade — Reserve Grade**

**Under 16's — Under 12's**

**Well done to the Thirds, Under 18's, Under 14's and Women's. Fantastic results for the whole Club with no team finishing lower than 3rd place!!!**



**Old Collegians Championship Club 2016**



## First Grade—Premiers

### Old Collegians 27 defeat Onkaparinga 24

<b>Tries:</b>	Gary Mann, Liam McDonough, Chris Bartlett, Alex Rokobaro
<b>Conversions:</b>	Will Sadler (2)
<b>Penalties:</b>	Will Sadler

In a rematch of the 2015 grand final, Old Collegians redressed the disappointment of that loss and backed up the 2016 Minor Premiership by defeating Onkaparinga in a close fought 27 to 24 victory. Old Colls established a good lead in the first half and were able to hold out on the back of a strong set piece and defensive effort in the second, despite playing the last 20 minutes of the game with 14 and then 13 men.

Old Colls were on the offensive early and attacked into the Onkaparinga 22, but Onkas held out and cleared back to halfway before going wide on the counter and taking first points with a try down the wing. Fortunately Old Colls kept their heads and pressured well on a short restart. Phillips forced a turnover and the forwards took charge, continually hitting it up close until they reached the attacking red zone where constant pressure in the mid-field created space for McDonough to go over in the corner.

The forwards secured the restart and progressed the ball up-field until Dawes broke through a gap then passed wide to release Bartlett running in support down the wing, and he finished off with a try. Old Colls continued to frustrate Onkas by keeping ball in hand and driving the ball towards the line with close support, ultimately leading to penalty opportunity that Sadler slotted to improve the lead to 15 to 5. There were more offensive opportunities before the break that were held out by Onkas, but eventually Bartlett was able to break the defensive line on halfway and run up the sideline, linking up with Macklin who was dragged down in the 22, before Mann crashed over close to the posts.

Onkaparinga applied constant pressure on Old Colls early in the second half, making several forays into our defensive 22, only for pressure to be relieved when they were penalised and Old Colls cleared, with Verrall gathering the resulting lineout and running through the defensive line to take play back into the Onka's half. Onkas attacked again off the back of a scrum in Old Colls' territory, but a strong tackle from Macklin spilled the ball, which was pounced on by Rokobaro who ran 70m and scored.

Some positional changes from Onkas gave them more direction in attack and they were next to score with a try after camping down in the Old Colls' 22 and pressuring the goal-line for some minutes. Graham knocked back the next kick-off and Dawes gathered the ball, allowing the backs to run into the Onka's 22, where Old Colls were awarded a penalty and kept the pressure on with a scrum close out. The Old Colls forwards went over from the resulting play but were held up, then subsequently incurred a yellow card from a ruck infringement.

This reversed the momentum of the game in favour of Onkaparinga and they attacked furiously and held possession for the next 20 minutes, scoring 2 tries and whittling the lead down to 3. Despite this, and receiving a second yellow card to go down to 13 men for a period, Old Colls kept their heads and limited the damage with some ferocious and at times desperate defence from all the players, with Sadler, Leen and McDonough covering some massive yards required by the sweep defence.

In the last few minutes Old Colls regained the full contingent, and when McDonough kept an Onka's penalty kick in play Rokobaro ran it back into the Onka's half where Onkas were penalised. Old Colls found touch with the penalty then held the lineout, and notwithstanding that Smedley appeared to score in the corner shortly thereafter he was deemed to have stepped out of bounds, but Old Colls were able to hold on and keep play at the right end of the field until the time ran out.



# Reserve Grade—Premiers



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# Under 16's—Premiers



## Old Collegians U16's 29 vs bBarossa Rams U16's 19

**Tries** – Seaton (2), James Du Preez (1), James Rees (1), Luke (1)

**Conversions** – George (2)

From Minor Premiership winners to 2016 Smithfield Shield winners (and for many of our squad their 3<sup>rd</sup> flag in a row) I give you the 2016 Old Collegians Under 16's. Brad Killick, Tom Copson, Edwin Dodd, Kees Young, Harrison Cole, Oscar Wynne – Jones, Alfie Malcolm, James Du Preez, Luke Seifert, George Hewitt, Jasper Carter, Seaton Siegfried, Jack Richards, Nick Barry, Magnus Illman, Adam Thompson, James Rees, Andrew Macfadyen, Killian Sharkey, Campbell Robertson, Maxwell Monfries, Tyler Ryan and Tane Pardoe. Michael Clifton was a contributor from the sideline, his broken ankle having no ill effect on his mouth and organising skills. Coaching group – Stu Frew, Ben Suttell, Graham Copson and Chris Killick.



Bloody awesome effort lads, to come back from the depths of despair after our 3 point loss to the Rams 2 weeks ago to be deservedly champions. We did it in style (it could have been a greater margin) as in the first half we got over their try line on 3 occasions, only to knock on in contact. However, our 1<sup>st</sup> try came courtesy of a superb line out from our forwards, a rolling maul that drove the Rams back 10 metres then the ball went down the backs for Seaton to notch in the corner. George's accurate conversion gave us a half time lead of 7 – 0.

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> try was in familiar style after our dominant scrum drove theirs back, the ball went through the hands for Luke to get the plaudits on his 2<sup>nd</sup> effort. Seaton got his 2<sup>nd</sup> try following a long overlap pass from James Du Preez to beat the full back in the corner. Barossa then reduced the deficit scoring down the blindside from a ruck, set up after a try saver from James Rees. The 2 James's then took us to what seemed an unsurmountable lead, first Rees barging his way over the try line then Du Preez weaving his way through their defence.



Barossa then made the scoreboard more flattering for them getting 2 late tries but by then the game was safe, the flag was ours and there was much hugging and handshaking in the Old Cols dugout. Once again this was a squad championship, the game was won firstly by superb forward play. We dominated our own line out and significantly disrupted theirs, well done Tom, Alfie and all the various lifters. Our scrum had them reversing all game and our forwards were quick and hard at the breakdown. As for our backs, they were incisive, decision making was awesome and with

Maggie at full back they found their box kicks usually came back with interest either from the boot or the run. Credit also goes to the coaching group who initiated this switch and for a game plan which stifled the Rams strengths whilst highlighting ours.

Singing our club song on the podium was so special for the lads. Then singing Queen's We Are the Champions in the dressing room was spine tingling.

Right everyone, one last time for 2016 -Oooooooooohhhhhhhh me lads, you should have seen us coming, (Oi).....

## Under 12's—Premiers



The perfect end to an incredible season. If ever a team deserved to win a flag I believe it was this years u12's. Not only for making it through the season undefeated and playing some incredible rugby but, I believe, for the way every player conducted themselves on and off the pitch.

23 players started the season and 23 finished, supporting each other at every practise and in every match. We often had our players playing for the opposition to make up the numbers - each player did so with heart and sportsmanship'

I'm sure I speak on behalf of OCRUFC when I say you are all a credit to the club AND to your parents. I certainly look forward to being a part of your Rugby journey in the future.

Congratulations U12's.

**Russell Gordon—Manager**



# Join us for the Senior Awards Dinner



Friday 9th September 2016

6.30pm for 7pm

Presentations—Dinner – Dancing—

Fully enclosed Heated Pavilion

Dress Code is “Suited and Booted” (not rugby boots!!)  
and Cocktail Attire.

Trogenza Oval

\$60pp or with partner \$100

Purchase tickets online or at the Clubroom bar and  
reserve a seat on the after party bus

Booking Link:

<http://www.ticketebo.com.au/oldcollsseniorepresentation2016>

## Junior Presentation Day

# OLD COLLEGIANS 2016 JUNIOR PRESENTATION

**DATE: SUNDAY  
11 SEPT.  
TIME: 12:30pm**

Lunch will be  
served at 1pm



**Adults \$25      (10-18 yrs) \$20      (4-9 yrs) \$15      Toddlers FREE**

Spit Roast (two meat selection), multiple salads, bread rolls & condiments

**Tickets must be purchased prior to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept. (Catering purposes)**

Tickets available at the Club on Monday & Wednesday training nights

**Marquee for sit down dining**

**Junior Awards Presented**

**Bouncy Castle**

Contact: Corné Arnold: 0437 359 883

Booking Link:

<http://www.ticketebo.com.au/old-collegians-rugby-union-club/old-collegians-rufc-2016-junior-presentation-day.html>

# 2016 Calendar—Save these Dates

## September

Fri 9th

Sun 11th

Sat 17th

Senior Presentation Night—6.30pm for 7pm start

Junior Presentation Day—12.30pm

Argentinean Night

## October

Sunday 30th

Melbourne Cup Function—12noon to 4pm

### *Dates to be advised:*



**Christmas Celebrations**

**Volunteers Afternoon**



**Summer Cocktail Night—Dress & Drinks**



## Come & Try Rugby 7's



The game we won gold in at the Olympics is played here in SA, with its own club just for women and girls.

This is a free event for women and girls aged 12+.

No experience is necessary; everyone is welcome.

~ Qualified and experienced coaches ~

~ Fun drills and games ~

Saturday 3 September 11am . Victoria Park, Adelaide  
Hosted by **Firebrands Rugby Sevens**

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Tour 2017



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# Melbourne Cup Luncheon

## OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY CLUB



2016 MELBOURNE CUP SWEEP  
SUNDAY OCTOBER 30th 12noon—4pm  
LIVE MUSIC: JD and the Crabs  
“FOOD & DRINKS” ALL INCLUDED  
CALCUTTA & DOOR PRIZE “BEST HAT”  
OVER \$3,000 IN PRIZES !! DO NOT MISS OUT  
ONLY \$5 per week Reduced price drinks for partners  
DRAW YOUR OWN HORSE “PAY AT BAR”

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