Tregenza Times



Old Collegians Rugby Union Football Club Inc

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Round 14 Results

Old Collegians Premier Grade 19 def by Brighton 34
Old Collegians 2nd XV 34 def Brighton 10
Old Collegians 3rd XV—Bye
Old Collegians Womens XV—Bye
Old Collegians U18 29 vs Brighton 12
Old Collegians U16s 41 vs Brighton 10
Old Collegians U14s 74 vs Brighton 0
Old Collegians U12s 43 vs Brighton 17

The Bob Burgess Cup

Presented to Brighton's Premier Grade Captain



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Volunteers Corner

This week we acknowledge

We'd like to thank all the Old Collegians members, sponsors and supporters who came out on Saturday to attend our home game against Brighton. Thank you to Brighton for staying behind and supporting our Club and to all our players, supporters and volunteers, we appreciate each and everyone's contribution on and off the field.









Did anyone find the pot of Gold?

SA U15 & U13's—Gold Coast Tournament



Congratulations to the SA U15 Barbarian team for an outstanding performance at the recent Gold Coast rugby tournament. The team won 6 of their 7 matches defeating Helensvale, St Aloysius, Rotorua, Shore and the Kings School. The team won their U15 pool group.

The squad was coached by Herman Du Preez and Richie Pardoe and included the following Old Collegians:

James Du Preez (captain),
George Hewitt (vice captain),
Edwin Dodd,
Andrew McFadyen,
Max Linton,
Seaton Siegfried,
Henri Pardoe,
Tane Pardoe,
Oscar Wynne-Jones
and Max Monfries.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN RUGBY U13



The SA U13's won the Runner-Up Shield for the U13's competition.

Congratulations to OC Players in the team and thanks to Rob Costanzo (Team Manager)

Sponsors Day—July 23rd

Three special guests joined our Sponsors on the Balcony to watch the Reserve and Premier Grade matches. Patrick Forbes, Jack Burgess, Geoff Hone were members of Old Collegians Premiership team of 1956.



Geoff Hone – 2nd Row;

Jack Burgess – Wing;

Patrick Forbes – Breakaway.

All 86 now and all learned their early rugby at school in Sydney.

As a matter of interest Geoff and Patrick were both in an Adelaide University premiership winning team in the very early 50s.

Geoff was telling us that he was captain of Old Colls for a number of years before 56 and it was not unusual for them to have difficulty in scraping together 15 players. A far cry from today!

Thank you from Patrick!

On behalf of the three ancient Musketeers, may I thank you for your kindness in receiving us so well during our visit yesterday. The only blip was of course that Old Colls didn't win but hopefully this will be remedied at the tail end of the season.

At one stage we were wondering if we should sneak off in case we were accused of bringing bad luck, but the three second half tries remedied the situation to some degree. We all greatly enjoyed the day and the hospitality and it was fun to catch up with some old friends from way back – Rogers, Fidock et al.

It was also great to see the Club in such great shape and obviously going forward at a good pace. To see third generation players involved is always a sign of good strength. A far cry from the days when Geoff Hone was Captain and never sure if enough players would turn up to make a first fifteen.

Again many thanks indeed for your friendly welcome and please pass our sincere thanks to all the members of the Club who went out of their way to say hello. Hopefully we will look forward to another premiership this year.

With kind regards Patrick Forbes and of course Geoff and Jack

Premier Grade Match Report

Old Collegians 19 def by Brighton 34

Tries: Jason Hyam, Paddy Macklin, Rob Smedley

Conversions: Will Sadler (2)

Best Players: Jeshua Graham, Jason Hyam, Dean Phillips

The first grade struggled to make an impact in the first half as Brighton took the initiative with an early try within moments of kick-off, then smothered Old Colls' attempts to get into the game. Whilst the set piece was working well, in open play Old Colls were unable gain or hold possession and were outfought in the ruck contest where we were consistently entering the contact situations too high and with support too slow to arrive. We rarely made out of our own half or past 5 phases before turning over possession on attack, but there were positives in the individual defensive efforts that for the most part staved Brighton off, and they began to vary the pressure by kicking behind our line and forcing us to constantly reply from our 22 to attack. The damage could have been worse than the 3 tries Brighton did score in the first half, but coming back from a 22 – 0 halftime deficit would take some work.

Unfortunately the first 10 minutes of the second half were more of the same and Brighton ran in 2 more tries to take a 34-0 lead. Positively, the subsequent injection of Leen, Cleary and Fleetwood-Piper from the bench spurred a revival from Old Colls and put the attack back on the front foot with the next chances. Campion gathered up another kick over from Brighton and ran it back up the wing over halfway where Brighton gave away a penalty that Leen took quickly, punching up to the 22 and off-loading to Hyam who charged on and scored under the posts.

From the restart the improved attack was difficult for Brighton to contain and they gave away a series of penalties that were again taken quickly by Old Colls to run back into the Brighton 22, where Bartlett was held up just short, leaving Smedley to clean up and dive over the try line from halfback. Another penalty shortly after allowed Old Colls to kick to touch, with the line-out on the 22 quickly secured by the forwards for the backs to go wide and Macklin cut back in from the centres to exploit a hole and went over to score. Old Colls had several more chances and much of the ball in the last 15 minutes, but were unable to convert them to points as Brighton effectively slowed the general play and ran down the clock, leaving Old Colls with a clear picture of what needs to be improved in the last 2 games before the finals.



Reserve Grade Match Report

Old Collegians 34 def Brighton 10

Tries; Sandy Taylor (2), Alexis Bauve (1), James Denley (1) and Peter Cross (1).

Conversions: Mitch Sallis (3) and a penalty goal

Playing Brighton always has the potential to present challenges. They are a team that we respect, with good reason. In this match however we were too organised and played with too much flare and pace for Brighton to settle into their usually strong forwards dominated game plan. With tries from Peter Cross (Mitch Sellers conv) and Sandy Taylor we got off to a great start. Brighton did manage to get some time on the ball later in the half and scored two tries (both unconverted) to tighten things up at 12 - 10. But a well deserved try to the hard working second rower Alexis Bauve close on half time, converted by Mitch, gave us a good 19 - 10 halftime lead.

The general consensus at the break was that things were well in hand. In previous weeks, however, we have struggled to dominate from at the start of the second half after having excellent first halves. Not so here. James (Birthday Boy) Denley was over for a try within 2 minutes of the restart. A penalty for not releasing the player was taken by Mitch Sallis for 3 points and second try to Sandy Taylor, which Mitch converted, capped off a 15 to nil second half which was just reward for a dominant team performance and a 34 to 10 win.

Now, the game and the way we played was great to watch, but sometimes that's not all there is. Peter ("The Professor") Cross kindly treated us to a very practical demonstration of Quantum Physics when late in the match he faced that old chestnut of the quantum world - not knowing where a particle is until you look for it. The Professor knew that the particle, in this case the ball, was somewhere in the energy field of his opposite number and adopted the favoured tool of the particle physicist, the application of a huge release of energy. In a split second three things happened. The ball materialised, though perhaps not quite where Pete thought it should have been - that is, not exactly with the player. The devastating hit undoubtedly caused a ripple in the space-time continuum (surely felt by many at the ground) thus adding to the proof that gravitational waves do exist. And our poor Brighton friend got to experience a parallel universe, cos he sure wasn't in ours. Thanks Professor Pete!

Best Player was Tristan Beasley (No 7) who worked tirelessly all day and showed a lot of maturity, along with great performances from Paul Cleary (Loose head prop) and Peter Cross (Centre).



U18s Match Report

Old Collegians 29 v Brighton 12

Tries: Austin Teagle (1), Ollie Horne (3) &

Magnus Illman (1)

Conversions: Ben Viljoen (1) & Charlie

Pickford (1)

After a few weeks break, we arrived at Tregenza to a cold breeze and dry pitch. Brighton had played a mid-week game against Burnside, so we expected them to be more settled from the beginning. We had not trained with good numbers this week and on the day were missing a few players resulting in a couple playing out of their usual positions.

We started slow - what ball we had, we quickly turned back over. The game became an arm wrestle. Brighton's big forwards used the pick & drive to gain good ground until errors from good defensive work forced the game to restart. Our scrum started OK, but we quickly lost composure as Brighton learned they could drive us back. Our backs showed good speed and occasional kicks to advance up the field before we lost possession, typically through aggressive counter rucking or kicking to one of Brighton's back three













Seventeen minutes in, Austin Teagle forced a penalty. We move into Brighton's half, but quickly gave away possession again. Our lineouts continued to be a lottery, losing two in a row. At the 22 minute mark the backs again probed Brighton's defence. Ben Viljoen stepped into space. The backs then swept up into Brighton's half. Left offload to Austin Teagle who ran through 2 tackles and went over, not converted 5 - 0. Brighton responded and came back aggressively. The constant pressure and rusty tackles skills lost field position until Brighton finally forced the ball over for a try – no conversion either. Half Time – 5-5.

The second half started with Brighton sticking to their advantage in the forwards and aggressively picking & driving from rucks. After 5 minutes Brighton rolled over for a second try under the posts. Converted 5 -12. The game then settled back into an arm wrestle like the first 20 minutes. Twenty minutes into the 2nd half, Ollie Horne picked off an intercept and scooted over from 40 metres – converted to be all square at 12-12. This seemed to signal a change in momentum. At 24 minutes Maggie Ilman stepped through the 20 and in for a try. We were getting and retaining more possession as the Brighton forwards slowed down. Our backs moved the ball wide into space and made big gains from every opportunity. The forwards regained some control in their scrummaging as the bench provided fresh legs. At the 30 minute mark Ollie Horne picked up another try.

In the last couple of minutes, Kyle Fleetwood-Pieper busted through again, linked to Austin Teagle who offloaded to Ollie Horne, the finisher, converted by Charlie Pickford 29-12.

That's it – we'll take the win. The rain kept away – arriving for the start of the 1st Grade...

It was a match of two halves. In the first half - we got seriously bullied in the scrum and fell off too many tackles (more than our worst previous half this year). The lineout was OK, but not solid. The backs probed, but struggled to penetrate Brighton's defence as we lacked different angles to turn their shoulders. In the second half, the scrum and tackling improved - we started to gain and retain some ball. The lineouts did not win another ball on either teams throw. An increased tempo in attack resulted in more handling errors. Everyone started to run straighter and found holes. In particular, Austin's work attacking the 10-12 channel with straight hard running launched several phases of possession to gain many metres. The only time the backs ran an angle it opened a hole for a centre to run through. Overall, effective defensive tackling and a modest penalty count. Some critical ball steals at key moments stopped Brighton's momentum. The backs kept their shape and started to use width, which cut up a tiring Brighton. Again, a good contribution from the 16s subs. The key to finals success now relies on everyone getting to training and polishing the team skills and patterns.

U16s Match Report

Old Collegians 41 v Brighton 10

<u>Tries</u>: Seaton Siegfried (2), Michael Clifton (1), Luke Seifert (1), Nick Barry (1), James Du Preez (1), Brad Killick (1) <u>Conversions</u>: George Hewitt (3)

After our first run out for 3 weeks the coaches possibly thought the lads might be a bit rusty, and they were. The school holidays have affected the numbers in training and it showed with some sloppiness. It was an unseasonal warm day and it was dry, which was a blessed relief from the cold and wetness of late.

From the kick-off we strove forward and dominated both possession and territory, then gave away repeated daft penalties allowing them to clear. After a few cycles of this Brighton won a breakaway from a scrum, demonstrated good recycling then scored a try that was against the run of play but considering our sloppiness probably deserved. We all hoped this setback would erase out sloppiness and from our scrum a clever blindside move allowed Michael to score a try.

From delight to despair, an innocuous looking challenge left the brave and dependable Michael grounded which required medical treatment. Sadly the diagnosis of a fractured ankle, the opposite one from earlier in the season left his teammates, coaches and all associated with the club devastated for the lad and his family.

Shortly after Brighton converted a penalty to take a 10 - 5 half-time lead which gave the coaches the chance to inform the team of their shortcomings in the 1st half. The 2nd half was a different affair with the Old Colls playing like Old Colls. Luke scored our 2nd try following a fancy through the legs pass by George. Kees then used his power and leg drive to











march up field, with Brighton hanging off him, the backs then span the ball and Seaton was the 3rd scorer.

It was not all 1-sided and when they looked likely to score a try saver from Killian gave us the turnover which lead to Brad winning us a penalty. We elected to scrum and James DP took the ball on the blind-side, supported with the long awaited return of Nick Barry who beat their fullback with style to get the 4th.

Our 5th came from James DP grounding under the posts following a powerful run with Oscar in support. Our 6th was shortly after with Magnus taking the kick-off and running nearly the length of the pitch and leaving numerous Brighton lads in his wake. Eventually he was tackled giving possession to our forwards who collectively did their stuff, mauling, driving, rucking and we got the eventual penalty. There is few better at sniffing out a quick tap and go than Brad, with possession 5 metres out, the defence looking unorganised and no one on the Old Coll's sideline was surprised when the referee signalled the try.

Our 7th started with Tane driving their forwards back, the recycled ball allowing a typical accurate, probing kick from George who left Seaton on a chase. He kicked on and on, Ronaldo style, and dove on the ball for the try that gave our blokes a 7 - 1 try count which was probably harsh on Brighton but shows fitness and the determination to play to the final whistle can be the difference. With challenging games against Burnside, Barossa and the finals to come it would be nice if we could start the games like our 2nd half performance in future though fellas.

Thanks loads to all our volunteers – Killian Mum, Patricia for the jersey washing, our usual photographers for the awesome action shots and Trix Du Preez and daughter, Danél for representing our age group on the canteen.

Sorry if I missed anyone, it was a busy day folks. Oh me lads, you should have seen us coming....

U14s Match Report

Old Collegians 74 v Brighton 0

Tries: Lefatu Egglestone (4), Max Linton (2), Henri Pardoe (2), Tane Pardoe (1), Darcy Rogers (1), Jordan Short (1) and Henry Southcott (1).

The 2016 season's round 14 against Brighton was a return game for the boys after a long three week sabbatical. The squad was at full strength following the break yet this would be a test of the skills learnt from earlier in the season. From the kick off by Old Colls it was apparent that their desire to win was there. There were quite a few Old Colls penalties in the early stages of the game indicating the desire to gain possession. Old Colls manage to piece together a couple of strong phases enabling Lefatu Egglestone to cross the line under the posts for the first try. This was successfully converted by Tane Pardoe. This was the norm for the next two tries by Lefatu and Jordan Short. Some cleaver "kick and chase" by Lefatu, who almost repossessed the ball, resulted in a try by Darcy Rogers. The team continued to show some excellent passages of play for the remainder of the first half resulting with tries to Henri Pardoe, Max Linton and again to Lefatu Egglestone.

The second half started with the same consistent play as seen in the first. There was the continued demonstration of strong tackling by Max Linton, Henri Pardoe, Willem Pienaar and Luke Robertson. The consistent and strong showing resulted in further tries, one well earned to Henry Southcott and a second for Max Linton. Max was able to convert this being his first. Brighton were not letting the game run away showing some great fight however the consistent play held them scoreless. The final phases of play showed the lessons learned earlier in the season have paid off with Lochie Edwards able to cross the line whilst held up, Henri Pardoe pushed through stealing the ball out of the grip and managed to place it down for another beautiful try.

Thanks to Bert, Henri, Elliot, Nic and Conner for donning the yellow and black to make a game.



U12s Match Report

Old Collegians 43 v Brighton 17

Another convincing win!

The U12's continued their unbeaten run with another convincing win over Brighton. We came out strong and ran in our first try within a few minutes, an incredibly quick and powerful run by Siobhan Monaghan. The forwards played well and held their own against the Brighton pack. A great effort, considering our forwards were pushed backwards at the last Brighton encounter.

Jayden Hazzard put in a couple of massive runs and scored a well deserved try. Max Cross also put in a solid effort at flank.

Our backline once again outclassed their opposite numbers and proved why we are top of the rankings. A great effort by all the girls with Siobhan Monaghan and Meg Richards both running in tries.

Carl Arnold and Morris Clementson played some awesome thinking rugby and tackled almost everything in a Brighton jersey. Wellington Grace had a great run setting up a try for Carl Arnold.

Most definitely still room for improvement with finals looming.





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U10s Match Report

Old Collegians v Brighton

Weekly Award Winners:

Coaches Award: Archie King Tackling Award: Ivan Arnold Most Improved: Joe Menz

OC Red:

Tries: Max Richards (2) Conversions: Ivan Arnold (2)

OC Blue:

Tries: Fergus Keighran (1) & Archie King (1)

Conversions: Jack Bell (1)

A strong group of Old Collegians U10s arrived at Tregenza Oval on Saturday morning for Round 14 of the competition to take on Brighton. Our U10s were

eager for a game of rugby, following the recent winter school break and competition bye. The weather was kind after a very wet and cold couple of weeks. Brighton had a squad of 15 and asked to play 12 aside rather than 15 aside when we played them last. The first game was OC Red v Brighton followed by OC Blue taking on the gold & black tigers. Brighton came out prepared and was very competitive from the start. They had a couple of fast players and when allowed to run freely they covered a lot of ground. It took a while for the OC U10's to get settled and we looked a bit rusty following the holidays and not training as a full squad over recent weeks.

OC Red took a while to get settled. We made several handling errors and didn't shut down the opposition as effectively as we've done in previous weeks. Brighton was fiercely competing for the ball and we bunched up a bit, not playing our strong expansive game. As we settled and managed to control the ball better, we started to find gaps in the Brighton defence. It was overall a low scoring game as both teams didn't want to allow the other team through. Our experienced players led through example again and this allowed Max Richards one of our leading try scorers this season to break through twice. Max was well assisted by Tyson Hazzard and Mawson Mos when he crossed the line for his second try. Both our tries were successfully converted. Brighton managed to score twice as well, but was unsuccessful with their conversion attempts.

OC Blue took to the field next against a Brighton team who had already half a game of tough competitive rugby under their belt. Brighton kept the pressure and we had to keep fighting for possession. Strong straight running and good supportive play gave us the edge towards the end, in what was a very even match. Fergus Keighran scored a beautiful try and ran very smart and clever lines, making it difficult for the opposition to take him down. Brighton managed to score only one try against OC Blue followed by a successful conversion. It was very even towards the end of the game but then Archie King managed to cross the line following some consistent team pressure. This secured the game for us. This was certainly our most competitive game of the season so far and Brighton's U10's improved significantly since we

played them earlier in the year. Our structure on the day let us down a bit and we'll continue to work on that at training this week as we move into the final weeks of the 2016 rugby competition. It was positive to see our U10's keep persisting and sticking together as a team in a hard fought game.

Thank you to all our volunteers, helping out on the BBQ and in the Canteen and to Henri Pardoe for refereeing our U10s game. This weekend it will be Western Districts Vikings at home (Trengenza Oval).

Looking forward to see you all at training and at the game on Saturday!





U8s Match Report

Old Collegians v Brighton

After the school holiday bye the team returned eager to take on our old foe Brighton at Tregenza Oval last weekend.

The match started at a cracking pace with Brighton keen to exert their physical presence. Whilst they attacked our determined defence with strong running and support play we held up very well. Saxon Talbot Price, Will Tanner and Hudson Lindow leading the way with great tackling and work at the breakdowns. When we managed to gain control of the ball Nick Robertson, Thomas King, Edward List and Mia Aguiar stormed the Brighton line with tenacity allowing Alex Punshon and Quillien Bleakley space and room to pick holes in the defence to drive us forward.

Eventually our persistence was rewarded with two scores just before half time. Daniel Boulden, Michael McFadden, Jackson Brady and Oscar Angove causing the Brighton defence all sorts of problems with evasive running, blinding speed and sublime passing to advantage.

Unfortunately, as the half came to a close, and with scores even, we lost Mia Aguiar to a bone crunching tackle and with Edward List leaving to take an exam it would mean that we were up against it for the rest of the match.

Down on numbers but not in spirit we ripped into the Brighton defence right from the start of the second half. Every team member doing their bit when it was their turn to tackle, support or chase. Unfortunately, the bigger Brighton bodies wore us down a bit and they managed to score a few more times than we did. Highlights of the second half included length of the field chasing and score saving tackles from Will Tanner and Saxon Talbot Price, awesome running from Nick Robertson and a stand out game from Thomas King who seemed to be in everything.

Whilst the game was easily the most physical of the season it was played in an excellent spirit. Well done to both sides.

The Coach's Award went to **Thomas King** this week whilst **Nick Robertson** and **Michael McFadden** were awarded special achievement awards.



U7s Match Report

Old Collegians v Brighton

Winter finally came to Tregenza Oval and a smaller number than usual of Under 7's arrived ready to take on Brighton.

We split the team into Under 6's and Under 7's and we lent Brighton two players - so many thanks go out to Myles Kidd and Sam Humble. We were able to play two 8 a-side games.

The Under 6's had a high scoring game with some excellent running and tries once again from Sidney Denley; four tries this week. His try-scoring prowess was however eclipsed by some excellent running from Ezra Pretorius who had a great game after being away for a few weeks and he scored five tries. Noah Burton-Howard also scored and there was an overall improvement in the playing of Samuel Kerr Grant. The Under 7's played a good Brighton side that had some fast players and while the Under 7's defence was reasonably solid, Brighton did score quite a few more tries than us. This feat was mainly achieved due to the Under 7's failing to get back on-side so that they could receive passes with the result that often forward passes were made which led to turn-over ball to Brighton. The bunching up in defence also didn't help as the players knocked on the ball many more times than they should at this stage of the season.

That said, on the one occasion that a player passed before being tackled, it led to a nice try from Callum Reeks in the left hand corner. The defensive spirit was evident most prominently in the positioning and

non-stop running by Angus Sidwell.

In addition James Hicks had several strong runs forward, just failing to score on a few occasions due to some good Brighton defence.

The player awards this week went to **Samuel Kerr-Grant**, **Sidney Denley**, **Angus Sidwell** and **James Hicks**.

The Coaches Award this week went to **Ezra Pretorius**.

Well done lads!



Thanks to all the coaches and volunteers and we'll see you **at home** next week when we take on the Vikings.

2016 Calendar—Save these Dates

July

Fri 29th Old Collegians Luncheon—The 100 Club Launch

August

Sat 13th Finals Series Commences
Fri 26th SARU Grand Final Luncheon

Sat 27th GRAND FINAL

September

Fri 9th Senior Presentation Night
Sun 11th Junior Presentation Day
Sat 17th Argentinean Night

October

Sunday 30th Melbourne Cup Function—12noon to 4pm

Date to be confirmed **Summer Cocktail Night**—Dress & Drinks



Old Collegians Luncheon

The 100 Club



Weekly Cash Draw

Winner announced each Wednesday 7pm and 8pm on Thursday.

No winners last week.

Jackpot—\$500 this week!

Winner has to be present at the time to claim their winnings.

Must Attend:

The Old Collegians Player's Trust invite you to join them for a luncheon at The Robin Hood Hotel to launch The 100 Club, with guest speaker,

Peter Fab Fenton.

Proceeds will support the Youth Tour

to New Zealand.

What: Launch of The 100 Club

When: Friday July 29th

Where: 315 Portrush Rd, Norwood Time: 12pm for a 12:30pm start Other: \$75 per person (3 courses)

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