

# Tregenza Times

Old Collegians Rugby Union Football Club Inc



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## Round 2 Results—Old Colls v Southern Suburbs

**Old Collegians Premier Grade 64 def Southern Suburbs -7**

**Old Collegians 2nd XV 112 def Southern Suburbs -5**

**Old Collegians 3rd XV 13 def Elizabeth - 5**

**Old Collegians Women's XV 5 def by Southern Suburbs 29**

**Old Collegians U18's 52 def Southern Suburbs -7**

**Old Collegians U16's 65 def Southern Suburbs - 5**

**Old Collegians U14's 45 def Southern Suburbs - 5**

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*Premier Grade Round 2*

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# Premier Grade Match Report

## Old Collegians 64 vs Southern Suburbs 7

**Tries:** Fraser Murison, Rob Smedley, Tim Pickerill, Andrew Burgess, Paddy Macklin (2), Delano Leen (2), Will Sadler, Chris Bartlett

**Conversions:** Will Sadler (7)

**Best Players:** Will Sadler, Delano Leen, Paddy Macklin

**First Grade Debut:** Deane Phillips



Old Colls dominated the score board but took a little while to settle in and adjust to what was quite an unstructured game against Souths. Initially we were guilty of trying to do too much and score on each phase, rather than sticking to the game-plan, so it took longer than it should have to solidify the control of the game. However, once the running patterns were established and followed these created multiple scoring opportunities that for the most part were seized by Old Colls.

A scrum 10m out yielded the first points when Mann picked from 8 and went blind to soak up defenders, before passing to Smedley then to Pickerill on the wing to go over in the corner. In open play Sadler at full back caught a high return kick 40m out and threaded it back through the defence for an impressive individual try.

After some scrappy play by both sides, Sadler regathered a loose ball on half way and flicked it to Leen who ran a tight angle in to score from 30m out. Old Colls worked into the Souths 22 and Howlett cleaned up a messy lineout to secure possession, with Smedley sniping from the base of the following ruck to run down the 5m line and score untouched.

Near the end of the half Lee Verrall took a difficult kick-off that was quickly shifted through the backs to the opposite touch line and Leen made a strong break and ground up the wing before flicking an impressive inside pass to Burgess who finished off the try.

The forwards continued to work on the structure in the second half, controlling the set piece and creating space and opportunities for the backs to challenge the Souths line. The general decision making in contact situations also improved with players relying on their support to clean out rather than risking blind offloads.

Further tries followed to Murison, Leen, Bartlett and 2 to Macklin, with 1 in response from Souths.

# Reserve Grade Match Report

## Old Collegians 112 vs Southern Suburbs 5

**Tries:** Liam McDonough 3, Mitch Sallis 2, Nat Linder-Patton 2, Alexis Bauve, James Denley, Tim Chew and Chris Bartlett

**Conversions:** Mitch Sallis 7, Nat Linder-Patton 3.

**Best Players:** Luke Clifton, Liam McDonough



In times past Souths have regularly proved to be enthusiastic and competitive opponents, sadly not so in this Round 2 match. The rout started in the second minute and continued unabated to the final whistle with Old Colls running in 18 tries and kicking 11 conversion for a final 112 to 5 score line. You might think that heroic moments would few and far apart given the one-sided nature of the game but no one who was there will ever forget not one but two 60m running tries from No 8 Luke Clifton - magnificence in motion!

We were fortunate to have four qualified U18s help fill the reserve bench with all getting in the action, scoring 6 tries and 1 conversion.

# Women's XV Match Report



## Old Collegians 5 def by Southern Suburbs 29

Match Report not available

# Third XV Match Report

## Old Collegians 13 v Elizabeth 5



**Tries:** Will McLeay

**Conversions:** Jamie Hopkinson

**Penalties:** Jamie Hopkinson, Stu Robertson

**Best on Ground:** Alex Eames, Jack Nicholson, Stu Robertson

This week it was one of our faux home games - i.e. the home game we play at Burnside. The squad turned up ready to play on maybe the last hot Saturday of the season.. We had a reasonable looking team and even had three reserves.

As expected, from the outset Elizabeth showed they were a very different proposition than last week's opponent. With ball in hand they protected possession fiercely and were resolute in defence. But we were not intimidated and soon we had what looked to be a slight advantage. We were advancing the ball more effectively when in possession and tackling effectively.

However, we were giving away hard earned metres by far too many careless penalties. We came within a metre from a 5 metre lineout, before Eliz cleared. Soon after they were applying lots of pressure close to our line and went over for the first of two 'held-up' decisions. I'm informed by a player that at least one and maybe both were tries. Sometimes the luck flows our way. Finally a couple of penalties go our way and we get into their 22 from where Will breaks through and scores. Hoppo converts. 7 - nil at the break.

Second half was scrappy from both teams for much of the time. Probably a combination of the heat and early season match unfitness? Play was moving back and forth with a penalty or handling error most often changing the direction of flow.

Eventually Elizabeth hold us deep inside our 22 for sufficient phases to open a hole through which they darted. Not converted. We lifted and managed to hold possession in their territory and draw penalty. It's no time for heroics and Hoppo adds three to our score.

Elizabeth responded with some strong raids on our line which we managed to repel. Late in the match we were again in possession well in their half and drew a convertible penalty. Robbo obliged taking the score to 13-5 just before full time.

Sighs of relief from the side as Elizabeth had given us a tougher workout than the score suggests. And, if the referee saw the held-up tries as at least one of our players did, the result would have been quite different.

# U18's Match Report

## Old Collegians 52 v South 7

**Tries:** Ollie Horne (2), Kyle Fleetwood-Pieper (2), Ben Viljoen, Ben Gough, Sebastian De Boer and Rory Illman

**Conversions:** Ben Viljoen (6)

**Half time score:** 31 - 0

Another warm sunny day with a steady breeze and dry, green pitch. Another comfortable win to Colls - this time against Souths. Souths had a bye in the first round, so we had no idea what to expect. From the kick off it was clear both sides had come ready to play. Souths showed good continuity to keep the ball for multiple phases. We showed equal resolve to stop any improvement to their field position with the ball in hand. Rucking and counter rucking early was evenly matched, so the difference was shown in respective back lines. Quick, sure-handed passes moved the point of attack until the gaps opened for fast runners to make a break. This was repeated, with variations, for most of the game.

Overall, the Forwards generally controlled the opposition forwards. Line-outs and scrums were improved, and continue to be a work in progress as per last week. Again some sparkling individual and team ball handling from the backs, especially the pick up off the bootlaces out wide - yes ended in a try.

Souths countered rucks and mauls quite physically and to a degree slowed down Colls ball speed. The number of turnovers (in both directions) was high. Our support to the ball carrier was tardy at times and will be punished by more skilled pilferers. Generally good defensive tackling - from both forwards and backs. The missed/broken tackle count was significantly higher this week. Souths did not get the memo Onkas received and continued to run hard and straight until the final whistle. Only our fast and effective cover tackles prevented Souths scoring more. (PS. Getting up off the defensive line makes the tackles easier.) It was pleasing to note that there was no obvious change to the team structures or skill levels as the reserves were rotated through.

Individual bits: Brad Killick came on in the second half and added some starch to OCs counter rucking. Austin Teagle got a few pilfers.

First run for the year and newbie...we welcome: Charles Pickford, Harshad Bilimoria, Joshua Smith and Sebastian De Boer.

Nice touch towards the end - Newbie Sebastian De Boer came on for his first ever rugby match:

- first encounter was the horrors of being tallish and picking up a bouncing ball at pace,
- last encounter was crossing over wide on the right for his first ever try – well deserved.

We thoroughly enjoyed the intensity of the OCs song at the end!

Next week Brighton @Brighton, a different kettle of fish.

See you all there!



# U16's Match Report



## Old Collegians 65 vs Southern Suburbs 5

**Tries:** Brad Killick, Andrew Macfadyen, Jasper Carter, James du Preez (2), Seaton Siegfried (2) and Magnus Illman (4)

**Conversions:** George Hewitt (5)

After a close 3 point win last week we rock up to our 1<sup>st</sup> home game for 2016 to face a severely depleted Souths side with only 11 players. Our lads warmed up well and looked well up for it. Some fantastic gamesmanship by our coaches meant we lent Souths 4 of our players each half to make a game of it so a huge thanks and well done to Adam Thompson,

James Rees, Jack Richards and Jasper Carter for the 1<sup>st</sup> half and Tyler Ryan, Killian Sharkey, Campbell Robertson and Max Monfries for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half. You boys can be proud of your efforts and without such a gesture we could not play the game. It was good to see you all getting stuck in to our boys and playing hard when wearing the green colours.

Credit to our lads, we looked a much meaner side than last week and took it to them from the off. Talking was improved, our set pieces were secure and we were transitioning from forwards to backs with more speed and effectiveness. We were quicker to the breakdown than last week and our play seemed more free flowing. To compliment that, it was good to see SARU allocated us a young referee, sporting a fantastic punk Mohawk as he kept up with play and contributed to a flowing game.

At half time our pressure and dominance showed up on the scoreboard with us up 22-5. However, the half time whistle may have arrived early as just as George Hewitt lined up his conversion our crossbar half fell out needing urgent repairs by Peet Arnold and his stepladder.

Highlights for me (other than the crossbar incident) was Maggie scoring 4, great effort from our captain. George Hewitt slotting a conversion from the side line (and some great match awareness with some probing grubber kicks). Tane Pardoe's effort and runs at number 8 in his 1<sup>st</sup> game playing up from the U14's. To be honest everyone contributed to a team effort, but the biggest winner was the spirit of rugby and the nature of the match.

Lads it's great to get another win making it 2/2.

Don't get complacent; it's Brighton next week who will be seeking revenge for us stopping them getting a 100 % record last year when we beat them in the semi-final. Train hard in midweek, listen to your coach's, play for each other and keep working on your comms.

Finally a massive thanks to the volunteers, the ***Dodd's, Illman's and Lorelle*** for their BBQ duties and washing the kit. Also we all love looking at the photos on our Facebook group page so a shout out to ***Nigel and Bec*** for providing those.

Oh me lads, you should have seen us coming.....



## U14's Match Report



### Old Collegians 45 v Southern Suburbs 5

What a turnaround from what was seen in game one against Onkaparinga. The boys showed better team work and a tenacity to gain and keep ball possession.

There was also a better display of tackling the opposition players to stop the advancement of South towards their try line. A great result, with tries shared amongst several players.

The forwards were able to take the ball up with several strong runs, showing that they also have it in them to reach for the try line.

## U12's Match Report



### **Old Collegians 87 vs Southern Suburbs 0**

**Tries:** Slade Hollway (2), Siobhan Monaghan (2), Morris Clementson (2), Max Gordon, Carl Arnold, Meg Richards, Harry Rogers, Ryan Barlow, Wellington Grace and Jayden Hazzard

**Conversions: (11):** By Carl Arnold & Morris Clementson

Game 2 against Souths saw, what I think, was one of the most entertaining games of rugby, I have seen from a junior team.

Although the final result read 87-0 in our favour, there was some very good rugby played by both teams.

I would like to pay special attention to the junior players in the team who played some outstanding rugby: Wellington Grace with some incredible tackling and some great positioning, which saw him run in his first try for the season. Tino Kanonge with some strong hard running and much better understanding of the game, in only his second outing. Keagan Wallace in his first match also showed great skills and enthusiasm.

Slade Hollway played one of the best games I've seen him play running in 2 tries and some very clever rugby. The team as a whole also improved hugely, implementing a lot of the training drills into match play.

The spirit and good sportsmanship within the team is also to be commended and I am very proud to be a part of this team.

Keep it up U12's.

# U10's Match Report

## Old Collegians v Southern Suburbs

### **Weekly Award Winners:**

**Coaches Award:** Jackson Denley

**Most Improved:** Griffin Barker

**Tackling Award:** Jack Stowers

A strong complement of 28 Old Collegians U10s arrived at Tregenza Oval on Saturday morning to face Southern Suburbs (Souths) in Round 2 of competition. Such a fine turnout of players on a game day, even during the school holidays has been very exciting for the coaching group to see, although we've had several players absent from some of the school holiday training sessions.

The same game format was adopted as per the previous weekend, to allow us to field 2 teams, OC Red & Blue, with each Old Colls team playing a third of the game against our opposition club, Souths and a third of the game as a scratch match against each other. Souths came prepared and played very well as a team, often starving us from the ball for passages of play. But our defence kept them out for the biggest part of the game allowing us to end up the victors, but with our noses only marginally ahead. Lots of work to be done, as our opposition will also become stronger as the season progress.

A strong return to regular training by the bulk of our squad following the school holidays should see us improve on several of the game aspects, which we didn't do too well on the day. We made far too many handling errors and our first time tackle statistics weren't nearly as good as the week before. We had pockets of strong individual play but our team effort can improve significantly. Running straight and playing to the "whistle" will also be reemphasised at training this week.

Some of the individual highlights include Jackson Denley's super fast runs and side step, winning us a lot of ground as well as his solid effort in defence. Well done to Jack Stowers, one of our NSW interstate recruits, he always has a positive attitude and made a striking impact with his great tackling efforts and Griffin Barker who is new to rugby this year and quickly learning the game and how to better position himself. A special mention also, to Amy Wallace who took to the field in her first game of rugby union ever on Saturday.

We often lost our structure during the game, finding too many players almost on top of each other competing for the ball and then not having the ability to use the width and space around us. But when we stayed in our positions and allowed the ball to be distributed through the hands, we looked dangerous on the attack. Something we'll continue to work on.

A special thank you to our fantastic player and parent group, we appreciate your support on and off the field. Thank you for all the help in the canteen and on the BBQ on Saturday, as well as those that have volunteered to help with the washing of the jerseys and to assist with first aid.

Thank you also to Tane Pardoe, one of our U14s players who refereed our U10s game for us. Looking forward to see you all at training!

# U8's Match Report

## Old Collegians v Southern Suburbs

After a great game in round one, Jamie's Jets couldn't wait to grace the hallowed turf of Tregenza Oval. Everyone (including the Team Manager) seemed to be on time, surely a sign that the boys and girls were switched on and ready to rock and roll.

Right from the start we pressured the Souths defence with great running from Saxon Talbot Price, Daniel Boulden and Quillien Bleakley. Whilst when it was our turn to defend Jack Davies, Thomas King and Jackson Brady made sure there were no gaps. As always Mia Aguiar tackled till she could tackle no more.

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Providing the X Factor throughout were Will Tanner, Alex Punshon and Toby Wilson.

At halftime Coach Punshon implored his troops to remain focused and concentrate on the team things. The team followed his instructions to the letter.

Not sure of the score at the end of the game but it must have been close. Perhaps we had our noses in front. What I can report is that we lent Souths some players during the game and these guys helped South's score ticking along, if you know what I mean.

**Best Player** for the day was undoubtedly **Jack Davies** for his great running and determined tackling.

Congrats to all for another fantastic game. Even more congrats to those who volunteered to play for Souths throughout the day

## U7's Match Report

### Old Collegians v Southern Suburbs

Once more it was a lovely day at Tregenza Oval where Old Collegians took on a well-organised Southern Suburbs side. A total of 21 Old Collegians played on the day. The players were split into two groups with the first group playing a scratch match to help develop match skills further. There were encouraging signs from the group with some good passing being exhibited.

The second group played two ten minute halves against a good South's outfit. Things ended up being even but there were some great performances by all the players, in both defence and attack. Jimmy Ryan continued where he left off last week and scored two tries and there were strong runs and a try from Rhys McCarthy. Callum Reeks provided some great straight running too with an able backup in Cooper Ryan. There was really good defence by both teams although South's were a bit offside at times and rushed up to shut down our attack.

A second game was played with South's consisting of a fifteen minute game for group 1. Unfortunately our attack wasn't quite as crisp in this second game although there were good opportunities to score and we came close a few times. There was good defensive work by all, although we did concede three tries, as we did in the first game. There was excellent running into space by Manuel De Campo and strong running from Ezra Pretorius and James Hicks with good defensive work.

Congratulations to **Jimmy Ryan** on the **Coach Award** this week. (Please return it on Wednesday training nights.)

We need to work on getting all players behind the ball so that we can quickly get the attack going again. This was something South's were particularly good at.

South's had requested playing ten-a-side games but with hindsight we need a wider pitch for that (as David Humble pointed out initially!). As there are too many options then on the field, in the future, we will restrict the playing numbers to make it easier for the players on the pitch to make decisions and see a way through in attack.

Many thanks to all the volunteers and the helpers on the day. We look forward to seeing you all at training on Wednesday nights as we continue to build our skills and teamwork and of course meet new friends.



# 2016 Calendar—Save these Dates

## May

Sat 7th

### Brighton v Old Colls

Come down and support the **Sammy D Foundation** in the Brighton Clubrooms after Premier Grade game

Sat 14th

**Port Adelaide v Old Colls**—at Riverside Oval; Vikings v OC juniors at Riverside

Sat 14th

For the Seniors—Players night in the Club rooms

Sat 21st

### Old Colls v Adelaide Uni

Fri 27th

Friday night games. Come and support our U14's and U16's v Burnside for their night games at Tregenza.

Sat 28th

**Old Colls v Burnside**—stay around for the **Karaoke/80s-90s Night**

## June

Sat 4th

**Cocktail Night**—Dress & Drinks

Sat 11th

Queens Birthday Weekend—**Women's games only**

**(No Senior Men's or Junior games) .**

Sat 18th

**Bad Shirt/Hair—Mexican Night—Wallaby Game on Big Screen**

*(for those who are staying in Adelaide!!)*

## July

11th-24th

School Holidays

Sat 16th

Competition Bye—**Women's games only**

**(No Senior Men's or Junior games).**



## 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

## Super Rugby

### Saturday 14th May

17:05

Hurricanes v Reds

19:15

Warratahs v Bulls

21:15

Sunwolves v Stormers

### Saturday 21st May

17:05

Chiefs v Rebels

19:15

Force v Blues

22:30

Lions v Jaquars



Huge thank you to our South African ladies, **Corne Arnold, Kim Pienaar and Trix du Preez** who served up a storm for our South African night – along with Peet Arnold who cooked many a Boerwors sausage !

A great night was had by all ! **'Baie Dankie'**

## Round 3 Brighton



### SAMMY D ROUND

7<sup>th</sup> May 2016

**Brighton** vs **Old Collegians**



Get along to Brighton Rugby Club, Highet Ave BRIGHTON to show your support for the SAMMY D FOUNDATION.

SAMMY D socks \$5 per pair, buy them and wear them on the day.

A great opportunity to show your support for a foundation who are there to provide direction for young people in the community.



## Volunteers Corner

This Newsletter we are featuring

# Beth Howard

for being there all day Saturday from set-up and BBQ duty.

In addition Beth has recently designed a new POS (point of sale) system for our canteen and BBQ.

This will enable us to accurately account for the amount of food and drinks sold which will assist with the ordering of stock and evaluating costs to create user friendly profit margins.

Have you checked our new Team App? In our Volunteer Spot, where you can add your name to our list of regular volunteers.

For further information : Beth Howard, brh1812@gmail.com

**"Awesome BBQ Volunteers" in action on Saturday - at our first home game of the 2016 season...we truly value each and everyone's contribution throughout the day.**



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