



OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY UNION CLUB

Tregenza Times

1st June 2017

Round Six—Results

Coopers Premier Grade—Old Collegians 22 vs Onkaparinga 44
Premier Reserve Grade—Old Collegians 29 vs Onkaparinga 17
Division 1—Old Collegians 0 vs Elizabeth 20 (forfeit)

Women's XV—Bye

Under 18's - Old Collegians 34 vs Onkaparinga 14
Under 16's - Old Collegians 5 vs Onkaparinga 40
Under 14's - Old Collegians 14 vs Onkaparinga 29
Under 12's - Old Collegians 33 vs Onkaparinga 47

Round Seven Fixtures

At Tregenza unless otherwise stated:

Premier Grade

3.20pm Old Collegians vs Burnside

Premier Reserve

2.00pm Old Collegians vs Burnside

Division 1

1.30pm Old Collegians vs Barossa Rams

At Parkinsons 3

Women's

10.50am Burnside (home team) vs Old Collegians

At Parkinsons 3

Under 18's

12.40pm Old Collegians vs Burnside

Under 16's

11.40am Old Collegians vs Burnside

Under 14's

10.40am Old Collegians vs Burnside

Under 12's

9.40am Old Collegians vs Burnside

Under 10's Reds

8.50am Old Collegians vs Burnside

Under 10's Blue

8.50am Old Collegians vs Vikings

At Parkinsons 3

Under 8's

8.00am Old Collegians vs Burnside

Under 6 & 7's

8.00am Old Collegians vs Burnside

Message from Newsletter Editor

All Team Manager's are asked to provide their Match review to either :

secretary@oldcolls.org.au—**Senior Teams**
Or juniorregistrar@oldcolls.org.au—**Junior Teams**

By 7pm on Monday evening.

Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

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Coopers Premier Grade Match Report

Old Collegians 22 vs Onkaparinga 44

Tries: Lee Verrall (2), Adam Whitehead
Conversions: Jim Hopkinson (2)
Penalties: Jim Hopkinson
Best Players: Andrew Burgess, Jeshua Graham, Dan Higgins

Old Colls lost to Onkaparinga in a frustrating match where we maintained periods of control and effective play in the first and last 10 minutes of each half, but in between too often let Onkaparinga off the hook with poor decision making and lapses in basic catch and passing skills.

In the first 5 minutes Hopkinson continued his recent form with the boot and opened the scoring from a penalty kick. Onkaparinga responded by keeping the ball in close to the rucks to progress up the field into our 22, ultimately scoring from a scrum close to our line. Old Colls looked to have returned the points shortly after when Fleetwood-Pieper beat the defenders on the wing and ran it in from 40m out, only to have the try disallowed for an earlier forward pass.

The frustration grew as Onkaparinga scored 2 more tries through counter-attacking opportunities arising from kicks not being put into touch and dropped passes, whilst we struggled to string more than 4 phases together without an error. On the positive side, when we kept the ball in hand we were hard to stop and the first half ended with a strong drive into Onkaparinga territory on the back of a break by Hopkinson, where Verrall scored from the ensuing ruck to take the score to 22 to 10.

Olds Colls spent most of first 20 minutes of the second half in Onkaparinga territory and it looked like a matter of time before the pressure turned into points, but Onkaparinga turned it around twice for 2 more tries against the run of play, with the intercept of a flat pass and then the turnover of a dropped ball.

With 10 to go Old Colls pegged back some of the deficit when Verrall scored his second, this time from number 8 off the back of a scrum in the Onka 22. Onkaparinga hit back for their seventh try before Old Colls were able to consolidate some possession and work into an attacking position, opening space out wide for Whitehead to breach the defence for the final 5 points.



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1982 Cheer Squad



Thanks to Danny, Jeremy and Margaret we are nearly there!

*Margie Delamotte
Joan Nugent
Leonie McDaniel
Kerry Clarke
Chris Meaney
Jill Campion
Julie Angove
Anne Bew*

Premier Reserve Grade Match Report

Old Collegians 29 vs Onkaparinga 17

Tries: Ned Morcom (3), Nic Litchfield (1)
Conversions: Adam Whitehead (3)
Penal Goals: Adam Whitehead (1)
Best Players: Derek Lewis, Ned Morcom and Josh Frost

Both teams on equal points on the table, so this was an important match, must win really, if the either side was to gain some momentum in their respective campaign's this season. When we meet in round 1, we conceded the points by a forfeit but did 'win' on the scoreboard. With that in mind and recent good form, our prospects were as bright as the day. And so to the action. Within 3 minutes Nic Litchfield scores a Try. Adam Whitehead converts. Onka's hit back with a well taken Penalty goal. Onka's No 8, who played a very dynamic game, was yellow carded for an outbreak of exuberant tackling. Adam duly kicking the goal. It was fairly clear that we were dominant when we got the ball wide. Centres Karl Edgar and Scotty Fox combined well all day. Gilles Bonnet back in the side after a couple of week away was effective. And we had seen the previous week how devastating Ned Morcom could be with a little space. So no surprise when, on the stroke of halftime, Ned broke through to score a Try, which Adam converted. The 17 - 3 halftime score line a fair reflection.

Now running with the wind, Onka's started the second half well and scored a converted Try to close the gap to 17 - 10. Alarm bells start to ring. Could we hold them for the next 20 minutes? Ned Morcom again unleashed his pace and elusive running lines to score his second Try a few minutes later. But he had taken a pummeling up to this point and it seemed to make sense to give him a rest. This was a decision not universally understood by Ned's growing and vocal supporter base, who happily tossed their (well meaning) incredulities across the fence. While we waited for a break in play to make the substitution the supporters were well vindicated when Ned scored emphatically under the posts from a 40m run for a hat rick of Tries (and then had a rest). A late Try to Onka's gave us the final score of 29 - 17 to end an eventful, entertaining day.

This win had its genesis in the Forwards. Terrific, gutsy performances from Josh Frost, Stephen Connelly, Austin Teagle and Derek Lewis. Wonderful commitment from the front row of Bailey Clements, Harry Warner and James Sheekey. Dynamic playmaking from the back line lead by Nic Litchfield and Karl Edgar. And clinical finishing by Ned Morcom.



We acknowledge and thank A J Walwyn Photography

Under 18's — Match Report

Onkaparinga U 18's 14 v Old Collegians U 18's 36

Tries: Copson (1), Viljoen (1), Clifton (1), Sharkey (1), Carter (1), R. Illman (1)

Conversions: Viljoen (3)

After the loss last week away to league leaders Barossa Rams it was yet another away game for the well-travelled Old Collegians U 18's, this time with the trip down South to Onka's. With 4 away games on the bounce it does leave me wondering how SARU arrange the fixture list- we have another away game against Burnside that is being played at Parkinson Oval.

As seems typical for our blokes this year we started slowly allowing the opposition to open the scoring with a try under the posts directly from the breakdown. I cannot figure out if this is our fellas being too laid back, unlucky or just outplayed but every week we have given the opponents the momentum. This time the lead was quickly equalised with our opener by Jasper Carter, finishing after a huge run down the left, just rewards for a fantastic season to date. Michael Clifton then gave us the lead at half-time, scoring in with his typical jinxing style, this time down the right from the 10 metre line.

Despite our half-time lead of 14 – 7, our coaches were not impressed with our performance and made this apparent to the players. Particular attention was made to the breakdown and protecting the ball. However early in the 2nd half it looked like this feedback was unheeded, they were destined to notch under the posts only for Rory to make a fantastic strip and counter attack.

Our forwards then combined superbly, 1st Kees made a run and clever pop to Alfie who made further ground and superb pop to the supporting Brad. After Brad's run the ball was span down the line, a ruck was formed near their try line, quick ball allowed Tom to notch (later his dad stated this was his 1st in 3 years). I can't confirm this stat but for me it was the best team move I have seen this year.

Our backs then wanted some action, Fly-half Ben took possession from our much improved ruck and ball protection to outrace everyone from the half-way line. After a knock Paddy ignored Rob's instructions in taking it easy and protecting himself for Burnside when he used invention whilst scoring our 5th try. After a loose lineout he kicked on twice, soccer style, the ball went over their try line and sat up beautifully for him to make a diving grasp and score. Our 6th and last try was scored by Rory following a big chase from Ben's clearing / tactical kick deep in Onka's half.

Although Onka's scored a 2nd converted try after the break, it would appear that the half-time team talk got the desired result. Our blokes were much more disciplined and organised 2nd half. More aggression was shown, the ball was secured better at the breakdown and for large parts of the game Onka's were chasing shadows. All of our boys shone at times, however with numbers low due to injury we need our lads to maintain this 2nd half standard, preferably starting with our game versus the old enemy, Burnside.

Ohhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh, me lads, you should have seen us coming



Under 16's - Match Report

Old Collegians 5 vs Onkaparinga 40

No Report submitted

Under 14's

Old Collegians 14 vs Onkaparinga 29

Great performance this week with a big game against top of the ladder Onkas, but falling short with a defeat 29-14.

This game was a real test for the players and after showing nerves in the warm up our players really took it to the opposition and had them on the back foot for most of the first half. This was reflected in the score with Old Colls leading by 7-5 at half time (try to Morris Clementson).

We suffered a big injury blow in the first half with Siobhan Monaghan being taken off to hospital. We wish Siobhan a speedy recovery!

In the second half we struggled with composure, losing Katie Sharkey to injury as well. Our defensive line let us down and Onkas were too strong through the middle with their key ball runners eventually penetrating our defence and getting four tries to our one (try to Carl Arnold) in the second half.

Despite the result, it was the best team display we have seen all season in terms of commitment and intensity and the players should all be proud of their performance in a very tough game.

Best on ground this week goes to Tom Deakin who really led from the front in the forwards and was at the breakdown a lot to win the ball.

It was great to see the support shown by members of the opposition for our injured players post-game showing genuine concern for their well-being.

As always we appreciate the support from our U12s off the bench, who always give 100% following their own games.

Under 12's - Match Report

Old Collegians 33 v Onkaparinga 47

With a few more players back from injury and a great weather report we were looking forward to a great morning of rugby

Unfortunately after the first 15 minutes we found ourselves 5 tries down and not playing the type of rugby normally seen from this great group of players. We expect this was because our players were very intimidated by the size of some of the Onkaparinga players. Rather large.

We did manage to hold them to 5 tries till half time when I think we realised size isn't everything and we started to come together as a team.

After some inspirational words from Coach Craig during the half time break, we came out fighting and really started playing some good team rugby. Our tackling and support rugby also improved.

With 5 minutes to go we were just 5 points behind after scoring 4 fantastic tries. Unfortunately they managed to get in 2 more tries which left us with a final tally of 47-33.

A great game of rugby considering we are still experimenting with players and positions. We shall peak for Grand Final.

Well done all!

Club Merchandise On-Line

The complete Old Collegians/O'Neills Leisurewear range, including training jerseys can be ordered on-line via the O'Neills online merchandise store. O'Neills have advised that the **"personalised gear bags"** in both sizes, Burren Kitbag 22" and 28" includes Player Name, Club name & Crest can now be purchased on-line, along with the new, very smart style Swiss Jacket, as provided for the Colts NZ tour.

Order your new Old Collegians Merchandise now to be ready for the new Season

O'Neills—Old Collegians RUFC Online Merchandise Store Link: <https://www.oneills.com/shop-by-team/rugby/rugby-union/old-collegians-rugby-club.html>

PLEASE NOTE:

For all Old Collegians members when ordering online, it is imperative that you use the Club Specific Postage Coupon Code **(OCON17)** at checkout which will remove all postage costs.

Socks & shorts available for sale in all sizes at the Club on Wednesday & Thursday training nights and on home game days.

Under 10's- Match Report

Old Collegians Red – BYE

Old Collegians Blue 48 v Onkaparinga 7

Tries: Fergus Keighran (3), Jack Bell (2), Louis Clementson, Charlie Waltham, Oliver Collins
Conversions: Ivan Arnold (4)

On Saturday morning 27th May the Old Collegians U10's Blue Team took on Onkaparinga at Wilfred Taylor Reserve. This was our first official game against Onkas for the season, since we played against them in the pre-season gala day. We took to the field and were dominating in almost every aspect of the game.

We managed to retain possession and convert it into points on numerous occasions - with 5 different players scoring our 8 tries during the course of the game. In defence we did well too and only allowed Onkas to cross the line once during the game for a try and successful conversion. Congratulations to our award winners on the day! **Sasha Humble** led upfront and constantly drove the Onkas forwards backwards to get us over the advantage line. **Fergus Keighran** and **Jack Bell** both impressed with their speed and ran the ball up strongly!

Another great result for our U10's following some excellent attendance at training!
A special thank you to the Kinniburgh-family for washing the U10's Blue team's jerseys for us following our last game. The OC Blue team will be heading to Parkinson Oval on Saturday morning to take on the Vikings and the Red team will have a home game against Burnside at Tregenza Oval.

Good luck to both teams!

We look forward to see you all at training on Wednesday night!



Under 8's Match Report

Old Collegians v Onkaparinga

The Under 8s made their way down to Onkaparinga for a slightly later start this week. There was a good turn-out although a couple of our players accumulated a few knocks and didn't play a full part.

It was a good game with OC going ahead on the try count - although there was never more than a few scores in it. Onkaparinga came back from behind later in the game though.

There was good ripping of the ball evident early on with James having a good go. Manuel executed a superb rip and ran half the length of the field for a quality try. Cooper showed his great defensive skills on many an occasion and stopped some Onkaparinga attacks in their tracks. The whole team however contributed to the defensive effort and got right into the thick of things. There were some nice tries from the bigger members of our team too, with Bailey (2), Jimmy (3) and Tom (1). Tom showed some nice running once again this week.

Several of the players observed afterwards that it was a tough match and Onkaparinga had some good tries, with a couple from their speedy and elusive number 10.

This week the Achievement Awards went to **Cooper Ryan**, for his great tackling and to **Oscar Angove** who really stepped up this week and got really involved in the game. However, the Coaches Award went to **Tom Spark** with his consistent running and taking up of the ball in the tackle.

We still need to work on what we do at the breakdown and be more aware of the players outside of us before we get tackled, increasing the number of passes to *all* members of the team. We also need to make sure we let go of the ball when on the ground.

Thanks to all the players, parents, snakes and orange bringers for making it. We're home next week and volunteers are always needed. ***Please help!***



Under 7's Match Report

Old Collegians v Onkaparinga

The Under 7's were fortunate this week to play against a club that was able to field two teams, so everyone got a run without having to sit on the sidelines for long. We split our players into an U/6's, and a U/7's team. It was fantastic to see (again) just how well our players have been putting together all of the training drills into a flowing and cohesive game on Saturdays.

It is also encouraging to see that our players are volunteering to play for the opposition when they have numbers less than ours, and this week was no different, with a couple of our players scoring for the opposition against us!

Special mentions this week: **Samuel Humble**, playing his first game for the season, who was one of the best chasers in defence for us; **Alice Page**, who scored her first try for the season; and **Ewan Moran**, who put his hand up to play for the opposition and played his heart out, just like he would have in an Old Colls jersey.

We are all looking forward to this week's game at home against Burnside – see you there!

2017 Melbourne Cup Luncheon



OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY UNION CLUB

Melbourne Cup Luncheon

It's back in 2017



Sunday 5th November 12noon—4pm
In the OC Clubrooms

Don't miss out! **Limited tickets available**

\$140 per couple – Food & Drinks package

Live music !

\$1000 FIRST PRIZE

(There were 3 winners last year—it could be you this time)

Draw your own horse !

Make weekly payment at the Bar!

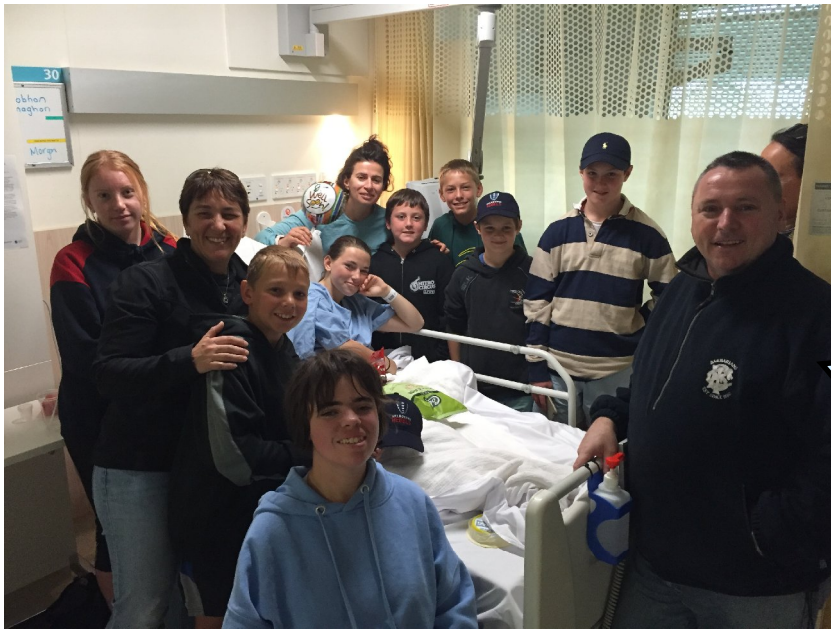
Further details contact: Barry Hickman 0403 600 908

***Ladies find that Fascinator!
Gentlemen dust off your Suit and Tie!
And join the Parteeeeeeee!!!!***

***Have you booked your seat at the table yet!
Don't miss out ! Limited tickets!
Weekly payments can be made at the Bar!***

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Get well wishes!



Unfortunately this season an unusual number of Old Collegians players have succumbed to injury both minor and in some cases quite major.

We wish them all speedy recoveries and hope they are soon back on the pitch.

A cheery bunch of Old Collegians members visiting **Siobhan Monaghan** at Flinders Hospital on the weekend!

We wish her a speedy recovery!

Rugby Union SA News



Congratulations to the following players who will be representing South Australia against the Victorian Schoolboys on 12 June, before departing for the National Division 2 schoolboys competition from 6-14 July.

Congratulations to our Old Collegian boys –

Thomas Copson
James du Preez
Oliver Horne
Bradley Killick
Ben Viljoen



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U18 SCHOOLBOYS TEAM

Jake Moulder	Tukaki Tawhiao	Daniel Callisto	Thomas Copson
Kirubel Brown	Isaac Allum-Henson	Bradley Killick	Oliver Horne
Alex Bouwer	Connor Moore	Jared Moaga	Markus Keenan
Tupu-Jonty Maualaivao	Harvey Syron	William Irwin	Tino Bopeti
Iliesa Moli	Max Priestly	Ben Viljoen	Harrison Rahaley
Joe Wiggett	James Du Preez	Caleb Whitton	
Non-travelling reserves			
Samuel Davies	Jayden Phillips	Harrison Dix	Vitolio Maka
			Jack Johns
			Jake Gotch
Manager :	Adam Priestly	Assistant Coach :	Jeff Lindsay
S&C Coach :	Callan Prider	Head Coach :	Jason Hyam

Save these Dates

May

Sat 27

Old Collegians away @ Onkaparinga
Div 1 Old Collegians @ Elizabeth

June

Sat 3rd

Old Collegians vs Burnside @ Tregenza

Sat 10th

Competition Bye

Sat 17th

Old Collegians away at Brighton

Sat 24th

Old Collegians vs Souths @ Tregenza

Sat 24th

Ladies Day Fundraiser - YWCA's Encore Program
(Survivorship program for women who have survived Breast Cancer)

July

Sat 15th

Competition Bye

Sun 16th

Crippled Crows at Tregenza



August

Sat 19th

Round 1 Finals

Sun 20th

Round 1 Finals

Sat 26th

Round 2 Finals

Sun 27th

JPP Gala Day

September

Sat 2nd

Grand Finals

Fri 15th

Senior Presentation Night

Sun 17th

Junior Presentation Day

October

November

Sun 5th

Melbourne Cup Luncheon

December

Christmas Party

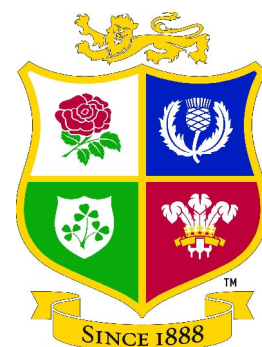


On the big screen!

The **2017 British and Irish Lions tour of New Zealand** kicks off on June 3 with seven tour matches and three tests to be played against the All Blacks. All matches will be covered in Australia on Fox Sports.

Come and join us at the Club Rooms and watch the games on our big screen.

Sat Jun 3	5.35pm	New Zealand Barbarians vs British and Irish Lions
Wed Jun 7	5.35pm	Blues vs British and Irish Lions



Super Rugby

Saturday 3 June	Brumbies v Rebels	GIO Stadium, Canberra	19:45
Saturday 3 June	Force v Hurricanes	nib Stadium, Perth	21:55

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