

OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY UNION CLUB

Tregenza Times

31st August 2017

Preliminary Finals—Results

Premier Reserve Grade— Old Collegians 21 v Burnside 24 Women's XV—Old Collegians 21 v Brighton 15 Under 18's - Old Collegians 20 v Barossa 19 Under 14's Old Collegians 14 v Burnside 36

Grand Finals—2nd Sept @ Port Adelaide

Congratulations to the Old Collegians *Women* and *Under 18's* who have advanced into the Rugby Union SA 2017 Grand Finals.

Commiserations to Old Collegians U14s and Premier Reserves Teams who bowed out of this seasons competition in two very well contested Elimination Finals.

The Old Collegians 'rent-a-crowd', is requested once again to be in attendance to support and cheer our Women and Under 18's in their Grand Finals.

See you there, wearing the **Red** and **Blue**!!!

5:00

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 2 GRAND FINALS PORT ADELAIDE RUFC

6:30 (SEPT 1) U14 Onkaparinga v Burnside
7:30 (SEPT 1) U16 Onkaparinga v Brighton
9:00 U12 Brighton v Woodville
10:00 Div 1 Res. Woodville v Onkaparinga
11:20 U18 Burnside v Old Collegians
12:40 Women Southern Suburbs v Old Collegians
2:00 Prem. Res. Burnside v Brighton
3:30 Div 1 Woodville v Elizabeth

Premier Burnside v Brighton





Join us for our 2017

Senior Presentation Dinner



Friday 8th September 2017
6.30pm for 7pm at Tregenza



Dinner & Presentations

D J = Dancing

Black Tie & Cocktail Attire

Book before August 31st for early bird tickets \$60pp last minute bookings \$65pp

Under 18's can purchase a combined Senior & Junior concession ticket for \$50

Purchase through Senior Ticketebo link

Bookings now open at http://www.ticketebo.com.au/oldcolls2017snrpresentation

Don Smith Medal Presentation Dinner

Old Collegians RUFC - Winner of Darryl Ryan Memorial Shield for Best kept grounds and facilities. Something to be very proud of Old Collegians

Corné Arnold - Awarded the Neil Charter Development Shield for Junior Development.. So well deserved!

Mark Pickard—Referees Assoc Presidents Cup Outstanding Contribution Congratulations!



Don Smith Awards Night

Tamaki Cup Coopers Club Champion Copers Alehouse Volunteer of the Year Darryl Ryan Best Grounds & Facilities HJ Rogers Administrative Services SARU Top Team Tries, Women Bob Hogarth Top Team Tries, Men Neil Charter Junior Development Ray Rosser Coach of the Year **U18s Tackling Trophy** Meredith Knowler Tackling Trophy Division 1 Tackling Trophy Sir Norman Jude Tackling Trophy Junior Maualaivao U18 Best & Fairest Ray Herde Best U21 Player Edna Reilly Best & Fairest Division 1 Best & Fairest Presidents Trophy Outstanding Forward | Jack Cook, Brighton Chairmans Trophy Outstanding Back Don Smith Medallist

Burnside Burnside Adam Priestly, Brighton | Old Collegians Jayne Fishwick, Brighton Southern Suburbs Burnside Premier Grade Corne Arnold, Old Collegians Kevin Ashby, Burnside Jake Gotch, Barossa Rams Teanu Karpani, Brighton Scott Wylie, Barossa Matt Spark, Brighton Alex Bouwer, Barossa Sean Meredith, Burnside Eva Karpani, Brighton Ryan Gatehouse, Woodville | Patrick Fahy, Brighton | Patrick Fahy, Brighton

Referees Association Onkaparinga Burnside





Hall of Fame Inductees

Referees Association

Most Improved Referee

Most Outstanding Junior Referee

Gary Howat John Hudson Peter Wilson

> Tom Greenshields | Brendan Brown





Reserve Grade Match Report

Old Collegians 21 v Burnside 24

Our Premier Reserves took on Brighton out at Elizabeth. Great to see numbers at training and a very competitive outfit looked strong for most of the day. Traded scores early before taking a well earned 13 point lead. Unfortunately it wasn't to be and Brighton scored 2 tries within 5 minutes to take out the match. So close yet...

Thanks to all the guys who turned out for the season. A very tough year for the team and the club in general. Look forward to seeing you all out at pre season. You can all see how good we can be if we train and work together.

Special thanks to **Justin Elder** who has decided to hang up the boots. Never say never Justin.











Womens Match Report

Women's XV—Old Collegians 21 v Brighton 15

Tries: Lusia Raikiwasa – (2) ,Elena Casciano (1) , Sian Beavers (1) , Gabby Raikiwasa (1)

Conversions: Tara Naige (2)

Last weekend the Women's Team played their Preliminary Final against a very Tough Opponent Brighton who finished 2nd on the ladder, on Saturday 26th August.

The game was close and the pressure was on. The women turned up pumped and most were even on time! It Was their game! Once Barb gave the Blessing Haka in the changeroom before they all ran out, the women switched on, they ran out through that Tunnel and you could see it in their eyes, no one was going to take it away from them.

Brighton scored the first try but didn't convert, the girls nerves settled and then they just switched it on.Lusia put Old Colls first try down within minutes to let Brighton know, Old Colls is here and watch us come!!

From then on , it was just awesome Rugby to watch ,the women just clicked , clean ball , awesome scrummaging, the backs had structure , the cleanouts in every play used were fantastic. They were talking to each other ,they were disciplined, the referreing was fair,it was an absolute pleasure to see the standard of Rugby that Fiona and Jamie and Gerrald have brought to this team and they were just executing it to plan.

Brighton were tough , real tough. Both women's teams had lost valuable players to the Roma's team that was travelling , but Old Colls stood tall , did us proud and capitalised on it and brought it to Brighton like they would never had expected it at all.

There was no one single Best Player, it was a TEAM Best Player, every women there, put it on the line, gave it all their best and showed our Rugby Community that Old Colls Women can play Real Rugby

We want to wish the girls the best of Luck going into the Grand Final this Saturday against Souths, Souths are beatable , and Old Colls can beat them !!

The Old Colls Community are proud of you all!









OLD COLLEGIANS 2017 JUNIOR PRESENTATION

DATE: SUNDAY

10 SEPT.

TIME: 12:30pm

Lunch will be served at 1pm



Adults \$28 (10-18 yrs) \$23 (4-9 yrs) \$18 Toddlers FREE

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

Tickets must be purchased prior to Friday 1st Sept. (Catering purposes)

TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT: http://www.ticketebo.com.au/oldcollsjuniorpresentation2017

Marquee for sit down dining Junior Awards Presented Bouncy Castle

Contact: Corné Arnold: 0437 359 883

Junior Presentation Day—Sunday 10th Sept

Thank you to all the junior parents & players (140) who have already bought their junior presentation lunch tickets. If you haven't yet, please note that the last day to purchase tickets is Friday, 1st Sept. (Catering Purposes)

http://www.ticketebo.com.au/oldcolls2017juniorpresentation







Under 18's Match Report

Old Collegians 20 v Barossa 19

Tries: Ed Dodd (1), Paddy Sharkey (1), Jack Richards (1) <u>Conversions</u> – Ben Viljoen (1) **Penalties:** (Very Last Kick of Game Winning, Grand Final Qualifying) = Ben Viljoen (1)

This team should come with a health warning advising that supporting them could seriously impact on your health. Every week I remind myself that it's only a game, kids sport, fun and development before winning, 70 minutes of rugby later my heart is going like the clappers and I've just witnessed the most intense game possible. To go from the comfort of last week's beating of Brighton by 109-0 to this 1 point victory over Barossa Rams is an incredible feeling.

Barossa Rams were the deserving 2017 Minor Champions, they came a full 19 points above our blokes over the season. Although they deserve respect none of that matters come a final series, the best team on the day goes to the Grand Final. Often it's the team that settles quickest goes on to be the winners, Saturday totally went against that theory.

A few minutes into this game indiscipline at the breakdown by us gave Rams 4 penalty advantages, eventually they scored an unconverted try. For some reason we were coming off the line slow and unorganised, 2 missed tackles and they scored a converted try and we were 12 points down. We were losing at the lineout, being beaten in the scrum and from such a set piece their scrum half broke away, only Michael saved further score with a try-saver. Not for long though, on our scrum feed they won a free-kick, the ball went quickly through the hands and they were over, the conversion giving them a 19 point lead and 1 foot in the Grand Final with only 20 minutes gone on the clock.

This woke our lads up, Harrison started it with a great run, Kees took it on, the ball went down the line, Awin fed Jack and we were in. Soon after a great pick and go by Tom and we had a line break which led to our penalty. Brad went, took a couple Rams out of the game and fed Ed who blasted over. We had all the momentum now and Barossa seemed happier than us to hear the half-time whistle to re-group with the score 19-10 to them.

Old Colls took this momentum into the 2nd half. We attacked with flair and defended strongly. Brad looked certain to score, he was at the try line but uncharacteristically lost the ball in contact with the try beckoning. Paddy then showed him how it's done finishing from a scrum, the successful conversion meaning only a 2 point deficit. Time was running out and the clock went over the 35 minute mark with Barossa in possession. They won a penalty and only had to kick into touch for the win. Somehow their lad fluffed it, we kept the ball inbounds although in our own 22. Kees went on a run, made a line break and we were in their territory, the ball was recycled and we eventually were awarded a penalty. It was kickable but no gimme, especially as we'd missed 4/5 kicks already today. Up stepped Ben Viljoen, he lined it up with the fate of our 2017 campaign on his shoulders. He hit the ball as true as I've seen all season, right down the middle and as soon as the flags went up he was swamped by 20 odd celebrating Old Collegian players.

Kudos to the 4 jubilant Old Colls lads who, in our moment of triumph, took time to commiserate the crestfallen Ram who's missed kick lead to Kee's breakaway.

This defines why rugby truly is a hooligans game played by gentlemen.



ooooooohhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh me lads,you should have seen us coming



Under 18's Match Report

What an amazing game of rugby!!

Look at the boys afterwards, they were sooooo happy!









Under 14's Match Report

Old Collegians 14 v Burnside 36

Tries: Connor Ryan (1), Carl Arnold (1)

Conversions: Carl Arnold (2)

On Saturday the Old Collegians U14's played up at Womma Park for our knock-out semi-final against Burnside. Having played against Burnside several times during the season, we knew it was going to be a tough and physical game from start to finish with them having been the victors on every occasion we've meet this year. We started strong and held our own in the first half, with Burnside up 17 - 7 at half time. We saw Connor cross the line for our first try and Carl successfully converting. We struggled to win our own line outs and was also under a lot of pressure in the scrums, but we kept fighting and tried our absolute best. We didn't go up together as one in our defensive line, as we very successfully did the week before.

Sadly during the 2nd half we had very little possession which led to very few opportunities to set-up some strong attacking play. It was also during the second half when one of the Burnside players were sent off the field with a well deserved yellow card after throwing a punch at one of our players. It truly makes us proud during times like this, when we see the Old Collegians U14's stick to their game and not to be sucked into poor tactics and composure. The next passage of play could have really been exciting but the referee slowed the game significantly which was frustrating for all and before we knew it they were back to 15 players on the park.

Congratulations to the Burnside U14's as they progress to the Grand Final, we allowed them to maintain possession of the ball for the majority of the second half and they successfully capitalised on their opportunities. They managed to run in another 3 tries as well as 2 conversions whilst we only saw Carl cross the line for us in the second half and succeeding with a conversion. Score Burnside 36 v Old Collegians 14 at the final whistle.

A special thank you to you all for your fantastic commitment, both at training and during each and every game. We were a small squad that experienced some amazing highs and lows together and we often had to dig deep! We all learned a lot during the year and we are extremely proud of each and every player's contribution. We look forward to see you all back in action next season for the "red and blue".

Thank you again to all our supporters and parents who have been on this exciting journey with us.

We look forward to see you all at our Junior Presentation Day on Sunday 10th September.



JPP Gala Day —August 27th

Old Collegians RED & Old Collegians BLUE - End of Season Gala Day

GAME (1) OC U10's BLUE 34 v Woodville 0

Tries: Jackson Denley (3), Jack Bell (3) **Conversions:** Ivan Arnold, Jack Bell

Our first game was played against Woodville. We played some beautiful expansive running rugby and the speed and skills of Jackson Denley and Jack Bell saw us cross the line several times. We controlled the ball beautifully and managed to keep Woodville scoreless for the duration of the game. What an amazing start to our U10's "end of season" gala day! Thank you to our complete U10's player squad who came out on Sunday and supported each other on and off the field.

GAME (2) OC U10's RED 7 v Brighton Black 7

Try: Mia Aquiar

It was a close and low scoring game...but fantastic to see our marked improvement in rucking and tackling since the start of the season.

GAME (3) OC U10's BLUE 36 v Onkaparinga 5

Tries: Louis Clementson (2), Jack Bell (2), Oliver Collins, Charlie Waltham

Conversions: Ivan Arnold (3)

A good and competitive game by our U10's Blue team, we played with good structure and set-up several phases of positive attacking play. We controlled the ball well and managed to convert our opportunities into points. A great game!

GAME (4) OC U10's RED 19 v Adelaide Uni 0

Tries: Jackson Denley, Mia Aguiar, Finlay Macfadyen **Conversions:** Jackson Denley, Alex Punshon

Another great game for our U10's Red team who managed to keep Adelaide Uni scoreless for the duration

of the game. Some outstanding tackling by Jenson Grudnoff!



JPP Gala Day Draw—August 27th

GAME (5) OC U10's BLUE 14 v Brighton Gold 19

Tries: Jackson Denley, Ollie Collins **Conversions:** Ivan Arnold (2)

What a close game to end our rugby for the year, but well done to Brighton they deserved the win, although having said that - it could really have gone either way at the end. We started a bit slow and allowed Brighton to get on the score board first. Well done Charlie Waltham! The way you kept one of their player's up as he was about to score was very impressive and we came back from that turn over ball to go score down the other end - with Jackson Denley beautifully running three quarters of the field down the sideline to touch the ball down. Our tackling let us down and Brighton managed to score another, which they also successfully converted. But our never give up attitude kept us going and Ollie Collins scored our second try with Ivan Arnold converting. Brighton kept coming hard at us and managed to run in one more try. With very little time on the clock we started to lift our game and played the quality rugby we've become accustomed to from the OC U10's during the season. We had Brighton defending their try line tirelessly as we were applying a lot of pressure, but we just fell short from scoring again - as the whistle signalled the end of the game. What a great competitive rugby game!

GAME (6) OC U10's RED 19 v Burnside 15

Tries: Saxon Talbot-Price (3)

Conversions: Ivan Arnold, Alex Punshon

Three beautiful tries to Saxon! A special thank you to the Blue team boys, Charlie Waltham & Ivan Arnold helping out the red team and to Jack Bell, Marcus Pickard & Finlay Macfadyen helping out Burnside, who were short of players. It is great to see that our players never hesitated once this season to help out the opposition when we've asked them too, we are very proud of you all!

Thank you to Charlie Waltham & Ivan Arnold who also helped out Adelaide Uni to pack away their club equipment at the conclusion of the gala day, well done boys!



Under 8's also enjoyed their Gala Day games

Rugby Union SA Events

2017 marks the 60th year for Elizabeth 7s. Nominate your team by the 18th of September in either:

Open Men Open Women Over 35s

All inquiries, please email sam.livera@sarugby.com.au







Volunteer Corner



Once again we extend our sincere thanks to *EVERYONE* who had assisted the Club throughout the season, in any capacity large or small, Juniors, Seniors, Canteen, BBQ, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday meals, Social/Fundraising Events, and administration (Committee).

Your efforts are appreciated!

Volunteers are required to assist with setting up for the Presentation events.

If you are available Friday am or early pm—Contact Rob Costanzo
Or Sunday am contact—Corné Arnold

Senior Presentation Evening



Come and join us for this prestigious evening recognising the outstanding efforts of our Senior players, and their Coaches!

Tickets only available on-line @

Have you purchased your tickets!

Early Bird Offer \$60pp closes on Thursday 31st!

New format this year!

Bring along your dancing shoes!

DJ—George From Bounce Entertainment

Will keep the Party Rockin'!

http://www.ticketebo.com.au/oldcolls2017snrpresentation

Under 18's are advised that you can purchase a combined Senior & Junior ticket for the fee of \$50. Use the Senior Booking option.

Pleases understand that tickets **must be purchased by September 1st** for catering purposes. Outside caterers are used and they require definite numbers a week in advance.

Do not leave it till the last minute or you may be disappointed!

The Club will provide a Bus into the City at 12.30am

Save these Dates

September

Sat 2nd Fri 8th Sun 10th

November

Sun 5th

December

Wed 6th Sun10th **Grand Finals**

Senior Presentation Dinner Junior Presentation Day



Melbourne Cup Luncheon

Contact: Barry Hickman 0403 600 908

Annual General Meeting Christmas Celebrations





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

by one of Adelaide's most popular bands - Acoustic Guitar!

\$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!

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