

OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY UNION CLUB

Tregenza Times

13th July 2017

Round Eleven—Results

Coopers Premier Grade—Old Collegians 22 vs Onkaparinga 21 Premier Reserve Grade—Old Collegians 18 vs Onkaparinga 23 Women's XV—Bye Under 18's - No Games Under 16's - Old Collegians 17 vs Onkaparinga 69 Under 14's - No Games Under 12's - Old Collegians 0 Onkaparinga 68



And the Winner Was!

Steve Pepper

OC Curry Cup

Coming Events In July

Sun 16th Sat 22nd Sat 29th Sat 29th Crippled Crows at Tregenza Movie Night Ladies Day Fundraiser Bob Burgess Cup

OLD COLLEGIANS 80TH YEAR

Old Collegians Charity Day 2017

Please promote this event to your family members, friends, and work colleagues. An extremely worthy cause and very essential service to those women who have experienced Breast Cancer.

Come along enjoy the Rugby and some fine wines and food!!!

Any questions to Jemma on 0403 681316 jemma.taylor@ywca.com.au

Old Collegians Ladies Day

Date: Saturday 29 July Time: 1pm - 5pm Tickets: \$25*(pre-purchase tickets at the bar) Includes: Glass of sparkling on arrival, grazing table, fresh oysters, wine tasting and more!

*raising funds for YWCA Encore- After Breast Cancer Program







Old Collegians 22 v Onkaparinga 21

Tries:Will Hannam (2), Gary Mann, Kyle Fleetwood-PieperConversions:Jim HopkinsonBest Players:Kyle Fleetwood-Pieper, Will Hannam, Jeshua Graham

The First Grade showed good determination and did enough to take a bonus-point victory out of another tense encounter with Onkaparinga, with the result again not determined until the final play. In the initial stages of the match Old Colls made it difficult for themselves, with several dropped passes gifting Onkaparinga territory and scoring chances that they converted to an 8 nil lead from a penalty and a try in the first 10 minutes.

Old Colls composed themselves from the restart to secure the ball and Jeshua made a break from halfway to the 22, where Old Colls spent the next 15 minutes besieging the Onkaparinga defence. Onkas managed to hold our players up over the line 3 times before Hannam touched down, only to have his try disallowed for ruck infringement earlier in the movement. Onkaparinga kicked long and Old Colls ran it back to the attacking zone through Alexis, and after a series of rucks Hannam was not to be denied and went over again to score with the conversion coming from Hopkinson.

Our forwards were getting through a lot of work hitting it up in open play, but at times the speed that Old Colls were clearing the rucks was almost too fast, as instead of dragging the defenders across to commit to cover the next wave, they could remain set knowing the ball would be coming back their way soon. This led to several turnovers by Onkas, which they utilised for field position and were satisfied to take another penalty kick for the lead. Old Colls persevered in their attacks as the half wound down, eventually getting a lineout 5m from Onka's line that was taken down then popped to Mann crashing in on an angle and he crossed for a try in the corner.

The second half began scrappily from both sides and Old Colls were again under pressure in our 22 as Onkas continued to kick long and make us play near our line. Kyle, Frost, Jeshua, Mann and McDonough were all able to find gaps with ball in hand to gradually get back to halfway, where a penalty led to a line out on On-kaparinga's 22. The forwards secured it for Burgess to hit-up in the midfield, before the backs went back to Kyle who scored on the blind wing.

As fatigue began to be a factor more errors crept in and Old Colls could not lock down various attacking chances, allowing Onkas to build momentum in our half and take the lead 21-17 with a converted try and a penalty. With barely minutes to go Old Colls knocked-on the restart, but won a ruck penalty that Dean kicked to the 5m line in the far corner. Our forwards kept the ball in close to the Onkaparinga try-line and consolidated 8 man phases drove Hannam over for his second try and the win.



Reserve Grade Match Report

Old Collegians18 v Onkaparinga: 23

Tries: Rudi Timoteo (1), Adam Whitehead (1), Nic Litchfield (1)

Penalty Goals: Adam Whitehead (1)

Not the only team playing this weekend to score more Tries than their opponent but fail to take the victory. For the second week in a row new Captain Alexis Bauve's services were required in the first grade. That, together with prop Luke Clifton needed to cover the unexpected absence of Dan Higgins, left us in familiar territory of scrambling to rejig the side as Kick Off approached. It was a slog for the first 15 minutes or so (the whole game if the truth be told). Plenty of penalties; a gettable penalty goal attempt declined in favour of a kick to touch. But the reward did not ensue. Onka's in similar circumstances took their chance and kicked truly to break the deadlock and edge 3 points ahead. A fine running move completed with a Try to fullback Adam Whitehead was a pleasant relief from the long periods of seemingly fruitless effort. Adam couldn't convert but at least we were ahead. Onka's were awarded a penalty around the 25 minute mark but failed to convert. Then it was our turn with 30 minutes played which Adam duly kicked for an 8 - 3 lead at halftime.

A slew of infringements sent Onka's No 7 to the bin on the tick of half time. Not that it helped. Within 2 minutes of the restart Onka's took another 3 points from a penalty. Numbers tell though, and the indefatigable Rudi Timoteo crossed for a Try on the back of a rare period of extended ball retention. Not able to convert, things still looked OK at 13 to 6. Onka's back to full strength then mounted a very productive 15 minutes, piling on two converted tries and yet another penalty goal. Now we were in trouble. Scores at 23 to 13 and 10 minutes to play. Nic Litchfield's guile and gliding run earned him a Try. Alas, Adam's kicking mojo had gone missing and we were stranded on 18 points. Could have been worse as Onka's missed two late penalties!

Pete Cross worked hard all day and was deservedly best on ground. It was a day for graft and experience with Rudi and Sandy also amongst the best. A special shout out to Dave Nolan, who was in town for the weekend. Didn't make it on to the ground as he took to running the touch line - a true Club man.



Old Collegians 0 vs Onkaparinga 68

For the Under 12s, it was always going to be an uphill battle against Onkas.

Down a number of first year players, Including Ryan (State squad), Jake (State squad), Max Gordon (Europe) and Ben (Injury), as well as Lucas, who was not well on the day, we battled to field a full team, which saw us borrowing a couple of brave young lads from the Under 10s, namely Fergus, Charlie and Ty-son. While all three of those boys are fantastic players in their own right, they were up against older, stronger and bigger opposition.

Although we went in with the right attitude, it seems our spirit was broken within the first few seconds of the game, straight off the kick off, where we saw a larger, faster player from Onkas run through, grab the loose ball and score a brilliant try in the opening seconds of the game. This had our teams heads drop somewhat, and we could see it was going to be a tough game ahead.

With uncontested scrums, we were gifted few opportunities to make a run for it, and saw the backline players spreading the ball out wide a few times, but on occasion, we failed to get the ball right out to our wings, resulting in the stronger Onkas players snatching breakdown ball, and capitalizing from isolated players. Where the team did do well, was our commitment to the tackling, and Alistair Tanner put in some of the most incredible tackles, over and over again. There were plenty of other solid tackles from most players in the team, and they really got stuck in on defense as much as possible. Our forwards were committing beautifully at the breakdown, with Jett cleaning out like a man possessed at the end of the second half, sending a few Onkas players flying out of the rucks and mauls.

Sadly, we were unable to convert any good possession from any turn over, and failed to put any points on the board. With no replacements available after 10 minutes of play (Due to maximum time limits for the Under 10's being reached), we were at a point where we could not afford to replace any players on the field. Thankfully, we had no injuries, which is largely part to Onkas playing good, clean and disciplined Rugby.

Hopefully next match will see us return to stronger form, with the return of three of our second year players, and with it, some much needed confidence. In spite of the huge loss, as a coach, I was happy to see the level of commitment the team put together on the field, and hope they can put it together again at their next match!



OC Players U/13

From left to right: Jayden Dally-Watkins, Carl Arnold, Jake Branson, Jayden Hazzard, Ryan Barlow, Ben Waytt & Morris Clementson.

Under 10's - Match Reports

Old Collegians v Woodville

1st game being OC U10s V Woodville played at 9.50am.

Woodville arrived with 16 players while OC only had 12 so Woodville had 4 subs. It was quite clear that Woodville had some very young and less experienced players, with all our drill and skill training coming to the fore.

Our tackling was good in parts, with our rucking needing more work. Aspects of the game we can focus o at training.

The back line passed the ball to running players which opened up Woodville's backline allowing us to score some easy tries.

Outstanding play and running by Jackson Denley scoring 6 tries and 2 conversions, Fergus Keighran and Jack Davies 2 tries each.

Noah Wilson and William Tanner scored a try each, with Oliver Collins kicking a conversion.

OCs U10 V Onkaparinga at 10.40am.

Both teams were short of players so some of the U10s Blue came on to make up the numbers. This was a very tight game with Onkaparinga having some very experienced and skilful players with one or two very big forwards.

We saw some outstanding tackles from Saxon Talbot Price, Tyson Hazzard, Jenson Grudnnoff and of course, Mia Aguiar.

As always Thomas King going into loose play and rucks retrieving the ball, breaking away and making it available for the backline.

Tyson Hazzard showed great leadership and control of the backs allowing the outbacks to run in tries. Jackson Denley (second game) scored 2 tries and 1 conversion, Tyson Hazzard and William Tanner a try each.

Both games were played in the true sprite of the game of Rugby. Some of our U10s went on to play for the U12s who were short of numbers.

Well done to both team players and coachers and the support of the Mums and Dads

State REP Teams

We are pleased to report that both the *Under 18 and Under 13 teams* are performing very well in their respective tournaments on the Gold Coast.

Under 8's Match Report

Old Collegians v Onkaparinga

What? No rain again? The early mornings do seem to have some advantages.

We welcomed Onkaparinga to Tregenza and we looked forward to a hard game of rugby.

Onkaparinga did not disappoint and raced into a 4 try to 1 lead. They had some standout players, supported strongly and linked well. However, our players started to find their rhythm and make their tackles with some truly outstanding, fearless tackling from Cooper, ably joined by Manuel, Bailey and our new player Romeo.

It was a fast game throughout and it's no wonder some of our players were breathing hard at half-time. There was a lot of passing evident and a willingness to keep the ball alive.

There were some nice tries scored by Bailey (2), Manuel (from a fantastic tackle, rip and sprint finish), a long range effort from Cooper and one long range and one short range try from Romeo making it a brace for him on his debut.

All of this good work meant that we went into the final few minutes of the match a try ahead and some great tackling and solid defensive work enabled us to keep out Onkas when they were pressing for a try.

It was end to end stuff a lot of the game and it was probably the best game to watch of the season.

We still have to commit ourselves more to the breakdown and stop the turnovers but it is an area of improvement.

It was hard not to give awards to all of the players this week but in the end the *Achievement Awards* went to **Cooper Ryan** for his lovely try and standout tackling display, **Rhys McCarthy** for really getting involved this week are supporting his teammates and **Bailey Aldridge** for his strong tackling, support work and tries, However, the *Coaches Award* went to **Romeo Thomas** on his debut game for making such a good go of it, working hard in defense and attack.

Well done to all our players and thanks to all our volunteers, coaches and of course the parents.

There is no game this weekend but we shall see you at training on the 19th of July



Under 7's Match Report

Old Collegians vs Onkaparinga

The Under 7s had their work cut out for them against Onkas in what was arguably their most challenging game of the season so far. Onkas were first to score and very nearly scored a second unanswered try before a fumble saw Collegians clean it up and cross the line for their first.

From then on it was a very evenly matched affair, with both teams taking it in turns to score. Onkas had some great players on the pitch with some very quick running and big side steps which forced Collegians to defend strongly.

This week we continued to work on smart field position in both attack and defence, with the coaches reinforcing the need to spread out and use the field. This applied equally in attack, as we aimed to move the ball out wide quickly and use all our players to find holes, and in defence, as we tried to cover their runners who were moving the ball very well.

Great effort by all on what was a very chilly winter warning.

This week's achievement awards went to **Jasper Chamney, Sam Parcell** (in his first game for Old Collegians, well done Sam!), **James McDonald, Ewan Moran and Myles Kidd.**



Rugby Union SA News

RUGBY UNION SA **7s RUGBY OLYMPIC** PATHWAY

OXTEL

Girls aged 15-17 of any sporting background are invited to join a club or form their own team and enter our fullday VIVA7s tournament. We'll even send you a coach to teach you how to play! The best players will be invited to join the SA U17 Rugby 7s squad!

Join a club or enter your own team

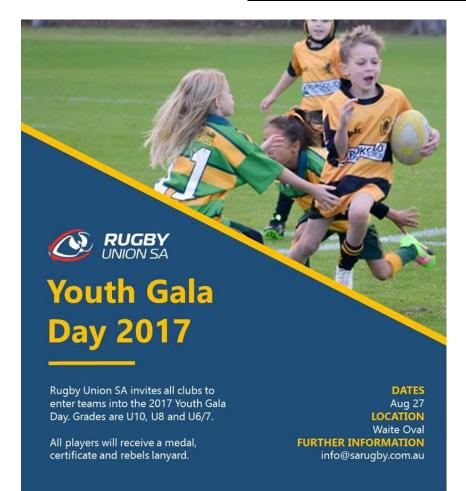
4 DATE Saturday, 16 September 2017 LOCATION Parkinson Oval COST Free

FURTHER INFORMATION info@sarugby.com.au

RUGBY UNION SA **7s RUGBY OLYMPIC** PATHWAY Rugby SA invites clubs and schools to

enter teams into the SA Youth 7s Championships. Enter into an individual tournament or all four! U13 mixed, U15 mixed and U17 Boys. With selectors in attendance, you have the opportunity to be selected in the U17 7s state team, with an Aus and Olympic pathway!

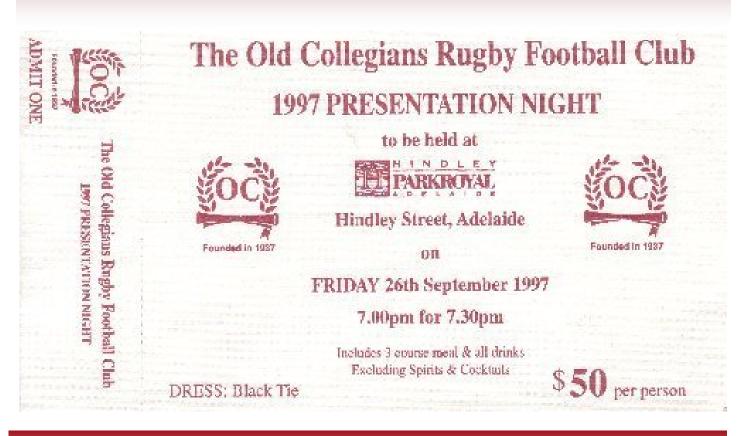
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Twenty years ago!



Women's Premiership Team 1997



Old Collegians Rugby Union Football Club Inc.

Save these Dates

July

Sat 15th Sun 16th Sat 22nd Sat 29th

Sat 29th

August

Sat 5th Sun 6th Sat 19th Sun 20th Sat 26th Sun 27th

September

Sat 2nd Fri 8th Sun 10th

November

Sun 5th

December

Competition Bye Crippled Crows at Tregenza Movie Night



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

Miss Collegians 2017—7pm—11pm Volunteers Thank You Afternoon 2-5pm

Round 1 Finals Round 1 Finals Round 2 Finals JPP Gala Day

Grand Finals Senior Presentation Junior Presentation Day

Melbourne Cup Luncheon Contact: Barry Hickman 0403 600 908

Christmas Party



Volunteers Corner



This week we wish to acknowledge the Volunteers who assisted with Hosting our Sponsors Thank You afternoon last Saturday

Sue Thewlis

Jane Wright

Annie Pyper

Amanda Porteous



And to those members who made the effort to present a delicious Curry for the

Old Collegians Curry Cup Competition

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