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SOCIAL GAME LAST SUNDAY

For those who didn't make the trip to Parkinson - fifteen fit and enthusiastic seminary types turned out against the cream of the Old Collegians. This was their first game of Rugby and they acquitted themselves extremely well. If anyone knows how to recruit a few of them for next year please do so - final scores 19-19.

Again, thanks to Bert and Dot Rogers for supplying the venue for an enjoyable barbecue after the match.

HOUSEWARMING PARTY

Alan and Joyce Spry have kindly invited everyone to warm their house on the 5th September after the Feathers - who knows what this might entail - anyway keep it in mind and take your fish and chips up there and have a ball.

MOTHERS, WIVES, GIRLFRIEDS etc.

Dot Rogers is trying to organise some sort of a dinner on the 26th September (the night of the Annual Club Dinner) — at this stage she is interested in your response and suggestions, so would you please ring her at Work 45 7122 or Home 32—1568 as soon as convenient in order to start the ball rolling.

RESULTS LAST WEEKEND

1ST XV defeated Glenelg 11 - 8

2ND XV defeated Onkaparinga 27 - 8

3RD XV won on forfeit

4TH XV lost to Port Adelaide 8 - 18

FROM THE TOUCHLINE by J. Diack

It appears likely that Glenelg will be the First XV's opponents in the semi-final so last week's match should have given insight to what we can expect from the former in a couple or so weeks' time, only they will have an even greater determination to win; no doubt they will be rougher too. We're just warming up nicely for the final rounds and playing well, so we can expect some great battles to wind up the season if the standard of play is maintained, and, I daresay, improved upon.

Collegians acquitted themselves well last week. By keeping the play tight they forced Glenelg to defend frantically throughout the first half, save for a few very short spells. When they gained advantage by long kicks. Strange to see Glenelg attempt to kick their way out of trouble, but this was brought on by close play by Collegians, particularly in checking their inside backs. Glenelg obtained slightly more than 50% ball from the set scrum and I think that if the First XV are going to be successful in the major rounds, we must push harder and get more quick clean heels. Some may disagree, but to my mind we need more direct possession. All of Collegians' forwards played very well and prevented their opponents from forcing any real advantage; a tough task this was, but some of our ruck-work was really forceful and successfully so. Collegians' backline featured a little more prominently in attack this week (it happened that our tries were scored by the centres) but were as much a part of the defence as the pack and marked the opposition well too.

Old Collegians scored first when Maxwell caught the kick ahead on the full whilst travelling full speed and continued on to the line for a magnificent try near the corner. (This was the only first half score).

The second half started well for Collegians who for a while maintained their territorial advantage quite well. Miller snapped up a loose ball while the packs were breaking from a ruck out of which the ball had come, and he touched down near the posts for Forbes to convert. After this Collegians appeared to let up, allowing Glenelg to equalise the score with a penalty goal and converted try. Our failure to clear the

ball from our twenty five when the opportunity arose was an indirect cause of this try being scored. Then the battle was really on. However, a few minutes before the end Forbes sunk a long penalty shot and we were in the lead. The final minutes saw Glenelg gain rather more possession than was desirable but time was on our side and the final result was a happy one.

2ND XV V ONKAPARINGA

Although a fairly scratch team, the 2nds were cheered by the fact that the opposition were even more of a scratch team. With this advantage and the need of a win , they started brilliantly, forcing Onkaparinga into an early error which Moulinie kicked a penalty goal from -3-0. This was followed almost immediately by a combined forward movement resulting in Pearson going over under the posts, Moulinie converted 8-0.

Then they did the "Old Collegian sit back on your and wait" act. The scoring rate dropped and at half time Evans and B. Sweeting with a try each and Moulinie's conversions brought the score to 18-0.

The second half saw Onkaparinga more determined and Collegians even more lax. Apart from outstanding play by Moulinie, Davidson and Backler, they continued in mediocre fashion. From strong backline movements, Moulinie went over for three consecutive tries after Onkaparinga had gained 8 points.

Scores Collegians 27 Onkaparinga 8

Moulinie 3 tries 1 penalty goal and 3 conversions

Pearson)
Evans) each 1 try
B. Sweeting)

Outstanding Players: Moulinie, Davidson, Stuart, Backler, Press, B. Sweeting and McCarthy.

OLD COLLEGIANS III 3: GLENELG III 0

The above is a token result - a miserable 3 scoring points earned from the other side's default. How many times this season, have our lower sides been deprived of the opportunity to show how many scoring points they were in fact worth?

Elizabeth III also took 3 token points and we played a (fairly) friendly match against them. Twenty minutes each way, no conversions no half-time pause and several players wondering whether they might have to play another match later - the situation hardly calls for serious comment.

We put 11 men against Elizabeth's full side and the score (3-21) notwithstanding, our blokes really played rather well.

The selectors named 20 players for this side — we know that 2 had "gone up" where were the other 7? Is it wise to put down so many names? Do not too many of them think — "I probably shan't get a game and in any case they won't miss me with all those reserves?" Without losing sight of the selectors' problem, I think it is better to nominate 2 or 3 reserves and have the pants off them if they don't turn up.

Will Black Forest forfeit next week?

FIGHTING FOURTHS LOSE TO PORT ADELAIDE 8-18

The selectors named 16 players (in alphabetical order) and six of these couldn't or didn't turn out on Saturday. We can't always blame the selectors. For example did they know that John R. was unavailable? Or that Phil Burke is expected to be out for the rest of the season? Where was David Frazer? Fortunately the 2 Foreman brothers joined us a couple of weeks ago and broughtanother brother with them last Saturday (hope he can play again this Saturday) otherwise the "Fighting Fourths" would have been down to eight players against Port Adelaide. What a ridiculous situation! After battling the whole season, rarely with a full team, often with new faces and new names, to eventually reach the top of the ladder and then to lose that conveted position on Saturday because we could only find eleven men to play Port. Is this the same Club that was seriously considering a Fifth team?

Anyway, the eleven took the field against 15 fit, determined and well turned—out Port Adelaide players (they also had 2 reserves). Through sheer guts, team spirit and determination we could have won this game with a bit of luck. Old Collegian's scored first with a good try, the result of an excellent piece of work by the backs. The handling was first class. Converted. Score 5 - 0. On one of the few occasions Port Adelaide were in our territory they picked up a loose ball and scored under the posts. Converted. 5 - 5. Another great kick by our second row, ex half, ex full back from a penalty 45 yeards out saw the ball bounce on top of the cross—bar and over. Score 8 - 5. Three more difficult kicks from penalties just missed. Port Adelaide scored again when a doubtful try was awarded and this was also converted. 8 - 10.

The second half saw Port Adelaide score two "runaway" tries after intercepting passes mid—field and we just didn't have anybody around to stop them.

Although we lost this game and Port Adelaide went to the top of the ladder as a result, I must say that I was mighty proud of these eleven fellas out there last Saturday. The forward did a fantastic job and out—played the opposing pack although out numbered. The backs too, tackled fiercely time and time again and due to superior handling turned defence into attack on many occasions. Even with two more players we would have beaten Port Adelaide last Saturday. A magnificent effort by all concerned and a fine example of what team spirit can do against overwhelming odds. Well done Fourths.

FIGHTING FOURTHS * URGENT*

The possibility of the Fourths being short of players in the finals is very real indeed. This would be a ludicrous situation. I therefore ask all the players named this week to play Gawler, plus the following, to turn up every Saturday from now on. If unable to do so, please let me know.

Ben Robinson R. Caspar Phil Burke Bob Gill Dave O'Connor

Your co-operation would be appreciated.

HOW TO GET TO GAWLER'S GROUND - Eldrid Riggs Reserve

Adelaide Road Gawler

Before Racecourse at Gawler prior to bypass is a three way intersection, take the further most left road which takes you to the oval — if you find yourself past the racecourse you're in trouble — in which case stand on top of your car and look for the goal posts which are the tallest in S.A.

B. Hancock Team Manager

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ALL PLAYERS TO BE STRIPPED 1 AN HOUR BEFORE THEIR MATCH IS DUE TO START

1ST XV play Black Forest at Bailey Reserve at 3.00 p.m. 2ND XV at Bailey at 1.30 p.m.

3RD XV play Woodville at Dailey Reserve at 1.30 p.m.

4TH XV play Gawler at Eldrid Riggs Reserve at 1.30 p.m.

Mawson
Burgess
Guerin
Press
Franks
Forbes
Farrow
Wilby
Bainbridgb
Desfontaines
Maxwell
Miller
Graham
Jackson
Allen

Messner
Wright
Pearson
Backler
B. Smith
Sweeting
Edwards
Hume
Davidson
Evans
Stuart
Moulinie
Geno
C. Sweeting

Schwartzer

Simms
Dutton
Bennett
Apps
Abotomy
Jordon
Dutton
Nicolls
Goodwin
Martin
Dutton
Owens
Trengrove
McCarthy
Poleska

Res. G. Loughie

Langridge Foreman Frazer Shepherd Chatfield Foreman Cooper John R. Suttell Farrah Munday Bailey Clarke William Coulson Foreman

Injured: Gibson

McQueen Leslie O'Connor C. Davidson Shanahan N. Smith