

TREGENZA TIMES

Old Collegians Rugby Football Club Inc.



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Pre-season has started, the Elizabeth Sevens are approaching and the Rugby World Cup is just around the corner. We hope you will continue to look to Tregenza Times for monthly updates of information and gossip about what is happening in your club and at the state and international level. Suggestions are welcome, but not nearly as welcome as contributions. If you have anything you'd like to contribute to Tregenza Times, email your friendly editor (Kim Evans) at kevans@normans.com.au or just front up to her at the bar.

NEWS

WORLD CUP TICKETS

The computer ballot to determine which 7,118 applicants get tickets to the prime RWC games was drawn on 11 February 2003. Approximately 65,000 pool game ticket holders were in two ballots - one for the public and one for the rugby community. In theory, members of the Australian "rugby community" had a much better chance of securing tickets. With approximately 23,000 in the rugby community competing for half of the 124,000 prime match tickets, we had a significantly greater chance than the 42,000 contenders in the public ballot. Every pool ticket represented a chance in the ballot. The result of the ballot will be posted within two weeks on the rugby2003.com.au website and in the mail. Those successful have 28 days to purchase their allocated tickets.

Those unlucky in the ballot will have another chance to win any tickets not taken up when a second ballot is held in April-May. There were 30,000 people who completely missed out on tickets in the initial offer and they, along with others who missed out on their specified pool games, will soon be offered extra tickets handed back to organisers by the IRB and membership groups. On July 1 any tickets left over - pool or prime - will go on general sale.



The Club's on-line Super 12's footy tipping competition will be underway as soon as the Footy-tips website is ready. If you want to be a part of the competition, email kevans@normans.com.au and we'll notify you as soon as we're up and running.

COMING SUPER 12 GAMES

Friday Feb 21

Chiefs vs Highlanders

Waratahs vs Blues

Cats vs Bulls

Stormers vs Sharks

Saturday Feb 22

Crusaders vs Hurricanes

Reds vs Brumbies

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Thursday, 20 February 2003	Dawson Returns
Sunday, 23 February 2003	Working Bee
Thursday, 27 February 2003	Seniors Registration Night
Friday, 28 February 2003	TRY RUGBY
Saturday, 1 March 2003	Sevens (Elizabeth)
Friday, 7 March 2003	TRY RUGBY
Friday, 7 March 2003	Motor Neurone Disease Charity Auction (Astor)
Friday, 14 March 2003	TRY RUGBY
Friday, 21 March 2003	TRY RUGBY
Friday, 28 March 2003	TRY RUGBY
Friday, 4 April 2003	TRY RUGBY
Saturday, 5 April 2003	First game of 2003



JUNIORS

JUNIOR CO-ORDINATOR NEEDED!

If you are interested, make yourself known to Ted Apted or Neil Bradley.

TRY RUGBY

Bring a friend !! Spread the word !! "Try Rugby" is an initiative from the ARU to attract for 5 to 12 year olds to rugby. It is run in conjunction with the SARU. Junior Development Officer Matt Nicholls is visiting schools in the area. It is being held at **Old Collegians**, Friday evenings for six weeks from **Friday 28th February to Friday 4th April, 5.30 pm - 6.30 pm**. The Club will open the bar and run the canteen and a sausage sizzle.

We recently had a presentation ceremony for the lads from 2002 who won the scholarships to Camp Waratah. They were given their jackets, and sent on their way with our congratulations. We are looking forward to hearing about their trip. Pictured here with Joyce Spry, the Junior Club's Patron, are Andrew Giles (U16), Sam O'Connell (U14) and Edward Lucas (U12). Henry Boylan (U16) was not available on the evening. Henry and Andrew are the recipients of the SAJRU Ken Grayling Award.



The Junior Coaches have also been finalised. Thanks go to the new and returning volunteers - Tony Collett (8's), Janet Penhall (10's), Danny McCarten (12's), Mick Campion & James Bradley (14's), Richard Czeglik & Ben Suttell (16s/18's?).

DIRECT
INTERIORS

New jerseys have been ordered for the 12's and the 16's, to be provided by the generous Mark Pickard and "Direct Interiors". Many thanks to him.

SCRUMBAG



Congratulations to Andrew Beare and his long-time love, Kath Giddy, who recently became engaged!! Their engagement party is scheduled for the afternoon of the Elizabeth Sevens. We assume Bear won't be playing ...

Foxtel returns. Murray Curran has arranged for the resumption of Foxtel at the club during the 2003 season – plan to watch your Super 12s and RWC games there!

Tregenza Times regularly pilfers material from the club's website (www.oldcollegiansrugby.org.au), and generally without the courtesy of recognition. In this instance however, we merrily acknowledge that the following is taken verbatim from the website. *Good to see a renewed Jack Walton back in the clubhouse for Chinese New Year. But for how long before the urge to return to France? Now Jack copped a lot of abuse from the likes of Chezza during that day's tour of the vineyards for expelling the wine. Over a beer that night, Jack was saying, well that's why I'm talking to you now and Chezza's not. And the reason for spitting out the wine is quite logical - swallowing numerous tastes of wine will ultimately take a toll on your sobriety. And why, Chezza, when you are drunk do you end up apologising to Emma? But back to Jack - I am told that he falls in love with a French girl, she reckoned he could do with losing a few modest kilos so Jack does just that and after a daily regimen of a total 35km run and a 4½km swim will never play in the front row again.*

Honeywell

A big thanks goes to Honeywell for their support and sponsorship over the last two years, which has now lapsed. The last two years at Old Colls have been successful and prosperous, and our sincerest gratitude is extended to Honeywell for their part in that.

Your new Social Director, Emma Curran, is organising a variety of exciting activities for 2003, including a pool competition (of the cue and ball variety – you can leave your floaties at home). If you have any other suggestions, she would love to hear them. Emma's contact details: e-mail - emma.curran@optus.com.au; mobile 0403 326 521. Get in touch and let her know, or if you are shy you can drop a note in the suggestion box at the club.

It has been observed that Charlotte Porter looks just like her father, Nick. Smaller, obviously, but otherwise very similar. The 2019 women's team is looking more and more promising ...



night. The club made a healthy profit over the bar, thanks largely to the merry appetites of our friends and neighbours, and we all greeted the Year of the Goat in grand style. Thanks go to Kim Evans who has for the last three years organised and paid for the club's Chinese New Year Party.

Congratulations to Gordon Pickard who was recently given the Adelaide City Council's Citizen of the Year Award in recognition of his enormous contributions to charities and sporting groups across SA (Old Colls, included). Those contributions exceed \$2 million, not least of all including the donations made through Gordon's company, Fairmont Homes, towards the Telethon Lotteries.

There has been great disappointment across the rugby community in SA as many people missed out on World Cup tickets. It is small consolation that SARU wrote and complained on our behalf. We note that Lady Luck did not play favourites in allotting these tickets – even notables such as Mike Von Berg ended up with nothing.

The Tanunda Golf Day was great fun. A BIG BIG thank you goes to John Denley for organising it, and congratulations for winning it! There were 18 participants, all of whom enjoyed lunch, afternoon tea, drinks (and some golf) at the excellent value. The standard of golf was interesting. One punter couldn't decide whether to play left or right handed. We are looking to make this an annual event for the first Sunday in February. You've got twelve months to improve that swing ...

Do you have a dear sweet daughter? Have you noticed a **red Chinese parasol** miraculously materialize in her bedroom lately? Well, I am sorry to say that she thieved it from the clubrooms on Chinese New Year. It was part of the decorations for the night, and went missing. Now listen, people, I don't come to your houses and pilfer your Christmas lights – so hand back the parasol. Be warned - the Chinese believe that as you behave on Chinese New Year, so the Gods behave to you for the next year. Why subject yourself to a year of misery, deceit and theft?



Congratulations to Gavin Pfister, who was married to Jo in Cape Town on 7th December. They are pictured here, together. Gavin's the one on the right. The photo is courtesy of Emma Curran, who wasn't there but got the photos anyway.

A series of elder statesmen of the Club ventured out on a fishing expedition recently. Despite Muzza's insistence that the fish were biting, in four hours the only thing he secured on the end of his hook was his own thumb. When no amount of yanking tore it free, he chose to ignore it and fished on. Eventually, still with no catch, he drove himself to casualty to have the offending barb cut from his tender flesh.

The Club's Oztag and Touch Footy teams have served to keep up team spirit and fitness over the summer months. If you want to see the Oztag teams in action, come down to Glenunga Oval on Conyngham Road, Glenside from 6pm to 8pm on Wednesdays. You will see a mix of the Old Colls' 1s, 2s, 3s and women spread across four or five teams. Unfortunately, they have not won as often as in previous years, possibly due to the loss of Shaun Gough, Barney Bloxham and so on.

On the topic of Old Colls gone AWOL, Kevin Jones has gone to Austria (we're not sure for how long, or why Austria?). Goughie is now in Melbourne as Musical Director of whatever mob he works for. Emma Suttell is still in Devon, and it is rumoured that Jon Collins is playing for Exeter.

Congratulations to Beck "Bob" Derbyshire-Lloyd who has recently become an Aussie citizen. She wore her 'jandals' to her citizenship ceremony, but at least she has now taken to calling them thongs.

RUGBY SEASON 2003

7's

ELIZABETH SEVENS - Saturday, 1 March 2003

Old Collegians has entered a men's team and a women's team in this year's sevens tournament at Elizabeth. Get out to training if you intend to be part of either of them.

As the 2003 season approaches, the details are being ironed out. SARU is reviewing the competition rules, such as the criteria for the West End Cup, and eligibility of players. The first game of the season will be on Saturday 5th April and the last on 30th August 2003. SARU is contemplating having only the top four teams in the finals. However, the ordinary club competition will continue throughout the Nationals. The plan for the season is that the 1s and 2s, 3s and women play on the same pitch as much as possible. The draw for the 3s, 4s or women is not yet available as it is hoped that more numbers will be found yet. The current draw is probably not the final version. Our first game in the first version of the draw was Brighton at Brighton **again**. We are told that the draw was completely random, which raised the question how it always ends up the same? In any event, after some gentle prodding the draw was rejigged. However, under the next version of the draw there were five "away games" in a row and five "home games" in a row later in the year. SO it has been reversed to the original version. Stay tuned.

The women's competition will have somewhere between three and six teams this year. Burnside has folded but Old Colls, Uni and Southern Suburbs remain strong. In addition, Port Adelaide Woodville and Brighton are rumoured to be trying to get teams together. A State women's team is hoped to be re-established this year. SARU's Matt Nicholls (also Coach of the Uni girls) has been appointed Coach of the State Women's Team.



Preseason has started

Tuesday and Thursdays, 6.30pm

Basic cardio vascular fitness.

You will need running shoes, a water bottle and appropriate attire.

Coaches / Managers

1 st Grade	Rob Sadler (Coach) John Denley (Manager)
2 nd Grade	James Brennan (Coach) Ian Walker (Manager)
3 rd Grade	Murray Curran (Coach) John Brady (Manager)
4 th Grade	Phil Caddy (Coach) Peter James (Manager)
Women	Ray Butler (Coach) Bronwyn Clough (Man'r)



PRELIMINARY DRAW

Round	Date	1 st Grade	2 nd Grade
1	5 April	Brighton	Brighton
2	12 April	<i>Onkaparinga</i>	<i>Onkaparinga</i>
3	26 April	Port Adelaide	Port Adelaide
4	3 May	<i>Southern Suburbs</i>	<i>Southern Suburbs</i>
5	10 May	Woodville	North Torrens
6	17 May	Elizabeth	Adelaide University
7	24 May	<i>Burnside</i>	<i>Burnside</i>
8	31 May	<i>Brighton</i>	<i>Brighton</i>
9	7 June	Onkaparinga	Onkaparinga
10	14 June	<i>Port Adelaide</i>	<i>Port Adelaide</i>
11	21 June	Southern Suburbs	Southern Suburbs
12	28 June	<i>Woodville</i>	<i>North Torrens</i>
13	5 July	<i>Elizabeth</i>	<i>Adelaide University</i>
14	12 July	Burnside	Burnside
15	19 July	Brighton	Brighton
16	26 July	<i>Onkaparinga</i>	<i>Onkaparinga</i>
17	2 August	Port Adelaide	Port Adelaide
18	9 August	<i>Southern Suburbs</i>	<i>Southern Suburbs</i>
19	16 August	Woodville	North Torrens
20	23 August	Elizabeth	Adelaide University
21	30 August	<i>Burnside</i>	<i>Burnside</i>

PRELIMINARY DRAW ONLY - *italics* are home games - draws not available for 3rd /4th grade or women

CLUB NOTES



The Club has applied for a grant under the government's program for funding sports facilities. A previous grant helped with the construction of the new enclosed balcony. This time round we are hoping for funds to allow an upgrade to the showers.

WORKING BEE - SUNDAY 23RD FEB

from 10.00 am - beer/sausage sizzle



PROTECTIVE GEAR FOR 2003 SEASON

Although Canterbury will be a sponsor for rugby gear, the Union will still be selling Gilbert balls and Gilbert protective gear. There have been no changes to the rules & regulations, and no further comments on headgear colours. All protective gear must have an IRB approved tag.

SUBS FOR 2003

Registration night will be held at the Club on Thursday, 27 Feb 2003

Player \$210

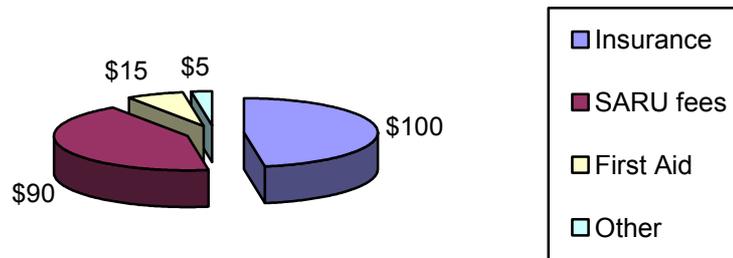
Concession/Student player \$150

Voting member \$90

Assoc member \$50

\$20 BAR VOUCHER TO ALL PLAYERS (INCLUDING CONCESSIONS) WHO HAVE FULLY PAID THEIR FEES BY THE END OF APRIL

WHAT DOES THE CLUB DO WITH MY SUBS?



Based on the subs for an ordinary, playing, non-concession senior (\$210), \$90 goes to SARU, \$100 for your insurance, \$15 towards your first aid costs for the year. The Club only gets to keep \$5. That \$5 doesn't go anywhere near towards paying for rent, electricity, phone bills, maintenance, balls, jerseys, laundry etc. We rely on our bar to pay for those costs. Plus, the club still has to pay your SARU and insurance fees, even if *you* don't pay the club.



A gentle reminder – ours is a non-smoking club. This rule will be enforced in 2003

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS
FOR THE CANTEN
DURING HOME GAMES**

SIGN UP NOW!!

SOCIAL DIARY

DAWSON RETURNS

All those with memories of the 70s and all those who know that those from the 70s have the energy, stamina, intelligence, forbearance, physical strength, cognitive abilities and wit that the younger generation lack - Dawson will be in Adelaide and you are welcome to join the reunion at 8.00 pm at OC's on the 20th of February.

THURSDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2003 – REGO NIGHT BBQ

Registration night will be held at the Club on 27 Feb 2003. Fees and registrations will be accepted from that night on.

Charity Auction for the Motor Neurone Disease Association

Astor Hotel 7th March 2003 6.00pm for 7.00 pm

Happy Hour 6-7pm - Pints \$3.00/ Wine Champagne \$2.50

Music - Entertainment - Competitions all night - Admission \$5 (includes raffle ticket)

Auction items include sporting memorabilia, Clipsal 500 package, internet packages, restaurant vouchers, accommodation packages, sky diving, wine, beauty products & much more.

For more information or if you can help by providing an item for auction contact Gary Fenner at MNDASA on 8357 0245.

SEE FRONT PAGE FOR “DATES FOR YOUR DIARY”



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