TREGENZA TIMES



Old Collegians Rugby Football Club Inc.

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PREMIERS 2006



Congratulations to our triumphant first grade!

There are dozens and dozens of grand final photos on the website - www.oldcollegiansrugby.org.au
Click on "match photos" and follow the links, don't forget to look for "next page"
We still have a few DVDs of the grand final game are available – contact Kim at www.oldcollegiansrugby.org.au







FIRST XV

Coach: Rob Sadler

Managers: Hamish Cranna and Harry Clark

The minor season finished with Old Collegians second on the table, a point behind Brighton. The last three minor round games resulted in wins to Old Collegians against Woodville, Burnside and Southern Suburbs. However, the team was not playing its best rugby, culminating in a loss against Brighton in the semi-final: Brighton 20 v Old Collegians 14. The game was close and frustrating, and characterised by simple errors. We went on to meet Port Adelaide in the Preliminary Final where we redeemed ourselves with a strong win to meet Brighton again in the Grand Final on 16th September 2006.

GRAND FINAL MATCH REPORT



Congratulations to all players and volunteers who contributed to the club's victory in the division 1 grand final for 2006. For Colls, Andy Farquharson, James Hopkins and Leigh Rebbeck scored a try apiece, whilst Andy kicked five penalty goals in a 30-27 result. Played in warm sunny conditions against Brighton at Bailey Reserve on 16th September, the match stretched into extra time, during which each side scored a try. A penalty goal clinched the result for Colls with two minutes left to play.

Brighton opened the scoring very early in the first half when they exploited gaping holes in our defence and crossed the line for a converted try. We tightened our guard subsequently and, for a while, controlled play inside the opposition's territory. We won a substantial share of possession in this spell, retained and recycled the ball at the breakdown while displaying good ball handling in our attacking runs. Our reward came when we scored a hard earned try near the left hand corner flag.

We spent most of the remaining first half defending our 22 against repeated forays from Brighton who appeared menacing when in attack. This tested our tackling ferocity



and it was reassuring to see each of our players so committed to a strong effort in defence.

Brighton scored another converted try before half time, but two penalty goals boosted our score, so we began the second half only three points behind. Despite the warm weather, both teams raised their standard of play after half time.



The forwards had even tussles in the scrums, while turnovers at the breakdown came only after strong efforts to retain possession. Several times in line outs, Colls used a ploy of taking the ball down into a maul, driving it ahead and releasing the ball to the backs at an opportune moment after gaining fifteen or so metres. In their lineout wins, Brighton often used a flanker as an extra inside back to set the rest of their backs in motion, which caused us some anxious moments. We had enough variety and pace in our attacking runs to benefit from momentary lapses in Brighton's focus on resistance and we kept attempting to rip holes in their defence. Our support for the ball carrier was timely and reliable in most instances. Both teams scored a try in the second half and when we added our second penalty goal for the

period, we were three points ahead.





We gave away a penalty kick in the last minute of the term. Brighton's easy shot at goal levelled the score, pushing the game into extra time. The standard and style of play carried on as before, though tension around the ground heightened. Colls scored first in extra time; a try resulting from some fast running. When Brighton evened the score again we needed more points to avoid losing to the minor premier on a count back. With less than two minutes left, Brighton transgressed and we kicked a penalty goal to seal the match result in our favour. Andy was goal kicker for the day (and Best on Ground), but every player contributed to the great achievement.

Back row, left to right: Hamish Cranna (manager), Juan Aguiar, John Grime, Ben Suttell, Leigh Rebbeck, Ryan "Boo Boo" Nielsen, Lloyd Damp, James Finkemeyer, Harry Clark (manager)

Second row, left to right: Bec Manson (physio), Charlie Sheppeard, Peter Cross, James Hall, Ross Wakeham, Ben Hamer, James Hopkins, Ben Hartridge, Will Mellor, Brydon Twedell, Mike Lowe (Physio)

Front row, left to right: Kate Denley (trainer), Tim Spawtan, Simon Burmester, Andy Farquhrason, Rob Sadler (coach), Richard Czeglik (captain), Jon Collins, Rob Porteous, Christian Tedge, Kim Evans (president)



SECOND XV

Coaches: Graham Raymond and Mark Siosi Manager: Denzil Church

SEMI FINAL: Onkaparinga 19 v Old Collegians 5

Our 2nd XV looked good this year, and deserved a stronger finish than this. We're very proud of how far they've come, but with 9 players out they had their job cut out for them in this game. If they were at full strength the game would have looked very different. Despite that, they played with courage and tenacity and were looking good when the game was cut short by an unfortunate injury to an Onkaparinga player.

A word from the coach...

This year the second grade brought together a combination of experience and youth. There were many positives to come out of the season, one being the youthful talent that has joined the club. The experience they have gained in their first season of senior rugby will provide the club with depth for many years to come. I look forward to all players being involved In the 2007 season ready to attack the competition in an aggressive and exciting style of football. I am really pleased to hear of players who are all ready attending the gym or some other form of fitness in anticipation of next season. Well done!

I would particularly like to congratulate all the players who played for the second's this season (52 players were used) especially those players who showed heart and commitment in the semi final against Onkaparinga.



THIRD XV

Coach: Iain Everiss

Managers: Ian Walker and Janet Penhall



Despite the 2006 season not delivering the hoped for results, due largely to the team's lack of experience, there were some definite highlights, including a win against Brighton and excellent performance against Barossa. The loss of Andre Brummer from the coaching staff, the coach available two nights per week, had an adverse effect on the results. This also changed the team and coaching dynamics. The needs of new and inexperienced players, which are quite different to senior players, should be reviewed so that skills are improved to a level where they can implement patterns required by higher levels and as many new players as possible are retained. The team's patterns were based on the principles of Communication, Go forward and the Quick ball. However the major weakness found in the team was a general hesitancy, which became the key focus of coaching. A number of opportunities to improve the coaching of this grade exist including more use of electronic aids (video) and increased exposure (i.e., more than one training night a week). Selection of the team in the new 2007 environment should become the responsibility of the Club selectors with clear definition of the objectives of the club, the team and the grade. This year's spirit within the 3rd and 4th Grades should be harnessed ahead of next season. Scrums were generally good, but line outs variable. Most other aspects of play improved through the year but unfortunately did not reach their potential. Fitness and individual skills require improvement. In my opinion, backed by the statistics and finishing position, Old Collegians were the fifth rated side in the grade, although the potential existed to finish as high as 3rd. A number of players should be considered for higher grades, and a number of candidates, with proper development, could become inside backs in positions that Old Collegians is not overly endowed, in particular halfback. Iain Everiss

FOURTH XV

Coaches/Managers: Peter Policki, Andrew Marshallsay, Shane Clark

SEMI FINAL Old Collegians 12 v Brighton 15

This was a very close game which could have gone either way. It was great result to get this far given the draw and our numbers. Thanks to all the guys who made it out during the year.



WOMEN'S XV

Coaches: Andy Farquharson & Ryan Neilsen Managers: Max Moran & Belinda Wade



Semi Final Burnside 0 v Old Colls 20

This was a forfeit by Burnside, a very sad result for women's rugby despite that we were pleased to advance to the preliminary final.

Preliminary Final Port Adelaide 0 v Old Colls 7

This was a painful, painful game. Bec Manson scored the only try, in overtime. Had it been nil all at full time, Port would have advanced to the grand final because they finished higher on the ladder. It was a messy, scrappy display with very little advance by

either team. Our defence was better than it has been in ages, including holding Port off the very try line for 15 minutes.

16 September - Grand Final - Southern Suburbs 52 v Old Collegians 10

This was the third time in three years that Old Collegians faced Southern Suburbs in Grand Final, and it was not a great performance by OC's at all. We had tragically lost Bec Manson to a serious injury at training, Tara Eliades to a broken wrist in the Prelim, Kelly (off to Europe on a poorly planned holiday!) and Junior (not yet to fit to return after her broken collar bone). It's been the worst year for injuries in years and years! Having had strong numbers for most of the year, we were a bit light on against Souths who, for once, had 15! That takes nothing away from Souths though; they played their typically strong game and we simply failed to match them in both the backs and forwards. Our defensive line was confused and Souths made us pay for it in the first 20 minutes, in which they racked up most of their points. We recovered a little in the second half which was a much more even contest, but it was far too little, far too late. OC's tries were scored by Kristie Hume and Zoë Woodstock (after a 60m run!).

SENIOR AWARDS

Club Awards

Bert Rogers Memorial Award for Special Administrative Services – Edward Apted (pictured) Canterbury Award for Special Achievement – Sue Thewlis (pictured) Warren Bully Award for the Club's Best Supporter – Peter Allen (pictured) Stewart Wood Award for Best Clubman – Andy Farquharson (pictured) Alan Spry Memorial Trophy for Rugby Spirit – Will Mellor (pictured with Joyce) Bob George Memorial Award for Best & Fairest – Jon Collins





Willie Wilson Memorial Award for Best 1st Year Player – Nick Bossy Owen Clarke Points Scoring Award – Andy Farquharson Gavin Pfister Tackling Award for a Forward – Jeremy Thewlis Bernie McQueen Tackling Award for a Back – Peter Cross Selectors Award for Commitment – Ben Hamer Mike von Berg Award for Consistency, Courage & Commitment – Will Chattaway

Division 1

E Yule Memorial Award for Best
Forward – Jon Collins
G Bainbridge Memorial Award for Best Back – Ben Suttell
Most Improved – Ross Wakeham
Player's Player – Andy Farquharson
(pictured from left – Ben Suttell, Andy Farquharson,
Jon Collins, Ross Wakeham)



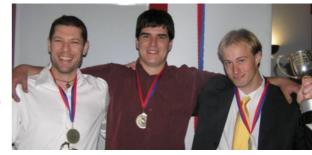
Division 2

J Forward Memorial Award for Best Forward – Jeremy Thewlis McQualter Memorial Award for Best Back – Brydon Twedell Most Improved – James Finkemeyer

The Angus Crawford Memorial Trophy for Player's Player – Marc Fullager (pictured from left,Brydon Twedell, Marc Fullager, Jeremy Thewlis, James Finekmeyer)



W Templeton Award for Best Forward – Bren Sinnott C Holdich Memorial Award for Best Back – Matt Fuss Most Improved – Andew Sheppard (pictured from left, Bren Sinnott, Andrew Sheppard, Matt Fuss)





Division 4

Best Back – Halley Sparrow Best Forward – Leigh Marsland (pictured, with Shane Clark and Peter Poliki) Most Improved – Chris O'Neill



The Sandi Jenni Memorial Medal – Nadia Blake
Best Forward – Rebecca Manson
Best Back – Lusia Raikiwasa
Most Improved – Imogen Hume
(pictured from left, Lusia Raikiwasa,,
Bec Manson, Imogen Hume and
Nadia Blake)





Life Membership awarded to Ben "Bulla" Rokobaro and Rob Sadler (pictured, with Denzil Church)

HISTORY OF SENIOR AWARDS

G Bainbridge Memorial Trophy - Best Back 1st XV

Gordon Bainbridge was an outstanding halfback who played in the Premiership 1st XV Team of 1971. Gordon was killed in a road accident in Hindley Street in 1972. The Trophy was struck in the 1970s.



Warren Bully Memorial Trophy for Best Club supporter

Warren was an outstanding 1st XV player (prop) in the 1960s. He also played for Manly 1st XV and in Wales. He was an enthusiastic player and club member. Warren was run over by a car and killed in the Melbourne CBD in the late 1980s/early 1990s. The Trophy was struck in 1962. The original trophy included an old pair of Warren's shorts that had been re-crutched and severely patched and re-patched. When the shorts could no longer hold together they were replaced by the "golden jockstrap" which now forms part of the trophy.

Owen Clarke Points Scoring Trophy

This Trophy was struck in 1985. Owen played from 1979 to 1984 largely in the 2nd Grade at Flanker, No. 8, including in the 2nd Grade premiership of 1981 and then captained the wooden spoon 2nd Grade side of 1982! In 1983 he was Club Captain. The following comes from an email from Owen himself "When I left the Club I felt there was little recognition or encouragement for Goal Kickers in any grade and as I loved Goal Kicking felt an annual award for goal kicking / point scoring was warranted and donated a perpetual trophy." Owen scored the most points in the club in 1981 (22). The Trophy is awarded in some years on a whole of scoring basis, at the discretion of the committee.



Angus Crawford Memorial Trophy 2nd XV Player's Player

Angus Crawford played his first and only year with Old Collegians in 2004 in the first and second grades. Angus was a close friend of a number of our players who had been to school with him at Pembroke. We will always remember Angus for his enthusiasm, his charm, his humour, his laugh and his very, very blue eyes. Angus was killed in a road accident in October 2004 shortly after his 21st birthday. The Trophy was struck in 2005.

Bob George Memorial Trophy for Best & Fairest

Bob George was Old Collegians' first ever barman! (How many clubs would name their Best & Fairest Trophy after the man who served them booze?) Bob was known affectionately as 'Sir Robert'. He was softly spoken and played the ukulele. Bob was much loved by all the clubmen. The following song was often sung in his honour: *Bob George serves good beer, Good beer is served by Bob.* (To the tune of "Lloyd George knew my father"). Bob died in 1978; the trophy was struck in 1979.



C Holdich Memorial Trophy - Best Back 3rd XV

Cyril Holdich was club president from 1958 to 1960, the club's treasurer from time to time and a life member. Both his sons, including Geoff, played for the club. Cyril played at Cambridge University and got his Blue. Cyril played more than 100 games in our 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades (variously) from 1954 to 1963, as prop, hooker and breakaway. Cyril passed on in 1974. The Trophy was struck in the 1970's.

The Sandi Jenni Medal - Women's XV Coach's Award

Sandi played for the women's team from 1997 to 2000. She had the best kick of any woman in SA and regularly won money and/or beer from men who bet that a woman couldn't out-kick them. She could convert from any point on the 22 and also from the centre line. She played wing/outside centre. Sandi was killed in a motorbike accident in 2002. The Medal was originally donated by the Currans.





B McQualter Memorial Trophy - 2nd XV Best Back

Bruce McQualter was 1st XV fullback, a dedicated player and keen clubman. He was killed in active service in Vietnam, Phuoc Tuy February 1967. The Trophy was struck in 1968.

Bernie McQueen Trophy - Best Tackler (Back)

Bernie McQueen was a keen supporter of the club, and of his son Malcolm "Gunna" McQueen who played in the 1st and 2nd XV. Bernie managed the 2nd XV Premiership team of 1962.

Gavin Pfister Award - Best Tackler (Forward)

Gavin Pfister is a South African-born flanker who played for Old Collegians in the 1990s, and won the SARU Don Smith Medal for the 2nd year in 1997 as well as the Sir Norman Jude Tackling Trophy for 1997. He is shown here tackling Johnny Wilkinson. The Trophy was struck in 1998.



Alan Spry Memorial "Spirit of Rugby" Trophy

Alan Spry considered Old Collegians his second home. President in 1974, he put all his efforts into the well-being of the Club not only as leader and administrator but also in menial tasks. He was 1st XV Manager and Selector at various times. Alan died quietly in 2001. We greatly miss this long-standing, supportive member, his wise counsel and his somewhat emotional outbursts on the side-line! The Club is privileged with continuing Spry support through Joyce's warm enthusiasm and commitment to the Club, especially to the Juniors as their Patron.

HJ 'Bert' Rogers Memorial Trophy for Special Administrative Services

Bert was president for five terms in the 50s and 60s, the coach of 1954 Premiers and dual President of WA & SA Rugby Unions. The Trophy was struck in 1984.

W Templeton Memorial Trophy - Best Forward 3rd XV

W Templeton won the Best & Fairest award in Old Collegians' first ever Third XV in the 1960s. He was killed in road accident. The Trophy was struck in 1962.



Mike von Berg Trophy for Consistency, Courage & Commitment

Mike von Berg has been a member of Old Collegians since 1988 and was the 1st XV coach until 1993, including the Premiership of 1991. He was SARU Chairman 1994 to 2001, Senior State Coach 1994 to 1999, ARU Director 1997 to 1999 (the first SA member of the ARU), ARU Delegate 1994 to 2001, ARU Marketing Committee 1994 to 1996, SARU Under 21 Coach 1991 to 1993, and SARU Schools Coach 1995 to 1996. The Trophy was struck in 1994.

Willy Wilson Memorial Trophy Best First Season Player

The son of loyal Collegians, Don and Dawn Wilson and brother of Michelle, Paul "Willy" Wilson played in the 1990s making the First XV in his first year. He was killed in a car accident in the hills in 1994, at the age of 21. The Trophy was struck in 1995.



Stewart Wood Memorial Trophy for Best Clubman

As a novice player (1950s?) Stewart Wood made the First XV in his first season of rugby. He had an outstanding club sprit. He was killed in a road accident. The Trophy was struck in 1962(?).

E Yule Memorial Trophy - Best Forward 1st XV

Former club president, 1947 to 1950. The Trophy was struck in 1952.

JUNIOR RUGBY

Under 10s: The team this year comprised both under 10's and under nines and incredibly also included an under 8 lad (Joseph) who showed great courage and determination to play out of his weight division. Old Collegians and Onkaparinga were easily the two best teams in the competition. Onkaparinga were the only team to defeat us throughout the season but those games were close and hard fought and sadly decided by the Onkaparinga referee's (perhaps somewhat biased) interpretation of handling the ball on the ground. Proudly I boast that within this team exists a number of future champions. All in all I have felt honoured during this season to be able to coach these delightful, enthusiastic children. Especially pleasing was the attendance at games and training,-which was exceptional. In summary it was indeed a great season for all. Many thanks must be given to assistant coach Tony Wilkinson and the team manager Nigel Duckett, and of course both Anne and Neil Bradley who worked tirelessly throughout the season. **David Pridham,** Coach





Under 16s: From a pre-season high with the 7's cup win, which unfortunately included the sad loss of our 15's captain/half back set the scene for the season proper. We just seemed to have a continued trail of multiple player injuries week after week. The injuries were not club game related in general but a mixture of leisure, school rugby and general bad luck. The result was that we never witnessed the full strength drilled team effort of a complete group of talented young players. Week in week out we were filling in gaps with 4 lads to new injury created holes in our lines. To everyone's credit the team rose to the challenge with a great deal of experience being gained by exposure to new spots on the field. Players found spots they liked and excelled in, others pleased to have had the chance of a new spot only to realise that they liked where they had come from and not to where they had travelled to. Always with at least just enough numbers, the team were awesome against all but the two grand



finalist teams. Brighton were however beaten by the lads early in the season which truly showed the potential that was held within the team. They also showed Onkas each time they met that they were not to be taken lightly. With all things said and done, for about half of the boy's penultimate year in junior rugby they all can hold their heads up high and come back with even more resolve in the new season of 2007. Well done U16's!

Rob Knowles, Coach**

Under 18s: The U18's had a tough but competitive year in a small group of only four very good teams. Although we only managed a single victory there were some close games, some games that we could have won and, yes, a few blowouts. The great thing to see was how the team improved through the year both as individual players and as a team. By the time we met Brighton in the semi-finals we played a really terrific match and all the signs are looking great for season 2007. Congratulations and many thanks to all the players leaving the Junior ranks this year and good luck in the seniors. And thanks to all players and supporters for your enthusiasm throughout the season. Doug Mein, Coach



RESULTS - SEMI FINALS

Under 12's: Southern Subs 38 v Old Collegians 0 - It was a great game and well contested by our boys, which unfortunately the score didn't reflect.

Under 14's: Vikings 10 v Old Collegians 10 – This was a brilliant performance from the Under 14s in a drawn result which 20 minutes of overtime couldn't break. Unfortunately, OCs finished beneath the Vikings on the ladder so the Vikings progress to the Grand Final. It's a hard way for us to finish a year's rugby, but we are very proud of this team. Under 16's: Brighton 17 v Old Collegians 0 – While it's a pity they didn't progress on to the Grand Final, the Under 16s are a great team who've had a very good year and we expect great things from them in 2007.

Under 18's: Brighton 36 v Old Collegians 12 - The U18s have had a challenging year and much credit goes to them for this strong finish. They never dropped their heads and they won the second half.

JUNIOR AWARDS 2006

TACKLING TROHPIES

Rod Hauser Tackling Trophy U10/11: Dexter Duckett Bob Burgess Tackling Trophy U12: Darren Pinkerton Denis Hayden Tackling Trophy U14: Fraser Murison Michael Raymond Tackling Trophy U16: James Neate Kenneth P Grayling Tackling Trophy U18: Rupert Weaver

COACHES' AWARDS

Meryl & Hugh Kerr-Grant Trophy U10/11: Cameron **Andrews**

Peter "Doc" Douglas Trophy U12: Paddy Macklin Julie & David Turner Trophy U14: Hugh Barrett Maxine & Ian Walker Trophy U16: Matthew Sampson Helen & Howard Clay Trophy U18: Brad McDonald and Danny Awwad

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Under 10/11: Digby Sever and Warwick Wilkinson Under 12: Jeremy Wittert and Alexander Imber

Under 14: Ben Blackall Under 16: Llewellyn Wood Under 18: Sam Berketa

JOHN & JUDY BRADY TROPHY (MOST IMPROVED):

Jeremy Wittert

JUNIOR CLUBMAN: Rob Sadler

HOWARD CLAY SCHOLARSHIP 2005: Hugh Lord JOYCE SPRY SCHOLARSHIP 2005: Gareth Bautz

SPECIAL AWARDS

Grand Final Ballboys: Andrew Bradley, Stewart Nutt, Paddy Macklin, Darren Pinkerton,

Grand Fianl Scoreboard keepers: Lachlan Pridham, Nick & Chris Chattaway

Club Referees: Jack Camion, Andrew Bradley, Jack Macklin, Tom Northcott

HISTORY OF JUNIOR AWARDS

Rod Hauser - Collegian and Wallaby half back Bob Burgess - played more than 700 games for OC. Denis Hayden - captained SA to victory over Fiji. Michael Raymond - SA Rep, Australian Schoolboy Ken Grayling - player, administrator and referee in SA Kerr-Grants - established the junior club in 1985. Doc Douglas - played Div 1, coached juniors Turners - massive contribution to the club Walkers - massive contribution to schools rugby Clays - founded the junior club in 1985

John and Judy were among the people who helped

establish the modern junior club in 1985 together with the Kerr-Grants & the Turners.

Joyce Spry is our junior patron and long time supporter of the junior club

Full details of the junior club and its history and the history of these awards are available on the website!

NEWS FROM SA RUGBY UNION



Congratulations to Old Collegians' State Award Winners

Andy Farquharson

Don Smith Medal for Best & Fairest in SA in 2007 Best Back in SA 2007

Best Adelaide Physio Direct Black Falcon 2007 Best on Ground in 2007 Grand Final

Rebecca Manson

Edna Reilly Trophy for Best & Fairest Woman Player in SA 2007

Kate Reynolds

Lito Fata Trophy for Best & Fairest Southern Warrior 2007

Brad McDonald

Best & Fairest Player in SA Junior Rugby in 2006. Brad also participated in the schoolboys team, the state U18 team.



CLUB NOTES



OC CHRISTMAS EVENTS

CHRISTMAS DRINKS

CAROLS ★ EGG NOG ★ SANTA 6pm Thursday, 21st December 2007

Xmas Lunch at the Feathers

1pm, Sunday 17th December 2006 Smorgasbord - \$26/head RSVP by 10 Nov to kim@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au or 0438 704 415

STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION - SATURDAY 18 NOV 2006

We will be discussing all issues pertaining to rugby at Old Collegians, including personnel, strategic plan, coaching, recruitment and funding.

All existing or potential committee members, coaches, managers and other interested people are urged to attend.

Junior Focus from 10am ★ Senior Focus from 2pm ★ BBQ at 12.30pm



We are seeking expressions of interest for all senior and junior coaching and managing positions.

Contact Kim ASAP on kim@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au or 0438 704 415



SCRUM BAG

Australian Rugby Union has welcomed the announcement by Network Ten that it will broadcast the Qantas Wallabies' four Test matches throughout the Spring Tour. Network Ten will broadcast the Tests live in almost all Australian markets, with replays scheduled for fans who prefer to catch the action the next morning. The Test against Ireland will be live nationally, while the Wales and Italy Tests will be live in all markets except Perth where there will be a short delay. The Scotland Test is live in Sydney and Melbourne with short delays in Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth to allow for Network Ten's coverage of the V8 Supercars. Having a replay the next morning is also good news for Rugby fans who do not want to sit up late or get up during the night to watch the Tests live.



Congratulations!

Our congratulations, love and best wishes go to:

Liz Gabb on the birth of her son Dean Paul Gabb (about 9lb) on 15th September. Liz is doing much better after she had some initial health problems and stays in hospital.

Rob Porteous and Amanda Beer on their engagement. We've always said that Beer was Rob's soul mate, his one true love...

Jamie Brennan and Mel on the birth of their son Alexander Thomas James Brennan, on 11 August coming in at 8 lb 1oz.

Steve & Nicki Boyd on the birth of Lucy Ruth Boyd on 12th October, weighing in at 8lb 7oz. She is pictured here with Steve, Nicki, Annie, Zack and Emelia.

John Absolom and Jo, on their engagement (Coach Iain has advised him that following house purchase then marriage, kids are the next on the list "and as Australia are desperately short of tight-forwards I suggest he gets on with it.")

James Bradley (son of Neil and Anne) and Tarsh Reglar (daughter of Mike) on their recent marriage. It's nice to see them keeping it in the Collegians family! (Pictured)





There are always plenty of stories which follow after a Premiership and for the most part they are better left unspoken in polite company. As for this year, it is enough to record for posterity that our Fighting Firsts celebrated from Saturday till Monday with very little sleep in between. They made an appearance at Junior Presentation Day on Sunday (we're sure they were welcome) where prop Jon Collins and winger Leigh Rebbeck finally squared off to settle a bet that had been raging for the last 25 hours as to

who was the faster. A footrace down the length of Tregenza was the obvious way of determining the truth. Why they had to do it in their underwear, and why Boofy joined in, will never be clear. The result? Well, we may never know who is genuinely faster. They both accuse each other of tripping offences. And in an unrelated incident, Rebbeck owes Jon a coffee table and a vacuum cleaner.



We amuse our members fairly often with themes nights which give them an excuse to raid their local op-shop and dress up like utter twits. So, I guess it's our own fault that they insist on wearing the same sort of get-up to every club event. From the First XV perspective the Presentation Dinner did not look much different from the pictured 70s night!



DISCOUNTS FOR CLUB MEMBERS

PHYSIOTHERAPY FOR CLUB MEMBERS

Physio Direct offers special rates to **ALL** OC club-members Particularly attractive rates for 1st Grade, 2nd Grade and Women's Grade players. Call 8373 1324 to arrange an appointment.





Athlete's Foot in Burnside offers all club members a 10% discount on all stock. The store is owned and run by Gary Pope who is one of SARU's referees and a long time supporter of Old Colls. He can give you good advice about the right rugby boot for you.

Canterbury in the Myer Centre offers all OC members a 10% discount on all stock.



Power Loan is an international finance company that has been in operation for over 7 years. The Head Office is located in Adelaide, with numerous branches and offices operating across Australia & New Zealand.

Old Collegian's Juan Aguiar is a Service Manager with Power Loan and would be very happy to help anyone connected with Old Collegians achieve their financial goals and objectives. Contact him by email at juan@powerloan.com.au or 0439 865 153. Power Loan is confident that it has a better option than your current arrangements and the club receives **sponsorship funds** from everyone connected with Old Collegians who signs up with Power Loan.

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AGM NOMINATION FORM

SENIOR CLUB POSITIONS

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Club Registrar

Assistant Secretary
Assistant Treasurer
Social Director
House and Grounds
Selectors (2)

The person nominated, the nominee and the seconder must all be financial, voting members of Old Collegians RFC.

JUNIOR POSITIONS
Director of Junior Rugby
Deputy Director of Junior Rugby
Chair of Junior Social Committee
Junior Secretary
Junior Registrar

The person nominated, the nominee and the seconder must all be members of Old Collegians RFC and associated with the junior club.

I, hereby nominate
for the position of
in 2007.
Signed:
Seconded:
I accept the nomination above.
Signed:
Date:
JUNIOR NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 20 NOVEMBER 2006
SENIOR NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 4 DECEMBER 2006

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO P.O. BOX 164, GLENSIDE SA 5065 OR TO SUE THEWLIS BY OTHER ARRANGEMENT (0431 566 116)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY CLUB INC

Thursday 7th December 2006 at the Clubrooms at 7.30 pm RSVP to Sue Thewlis at sthewlis@e-access.com.au or phone a/h on 0431 566 116

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF OLD COLLEGIANS JUNIOR COMMITTEE

Wednesday 22nd November 2006 at the Clubrooms at 7.00pm RSVP to Anne Bradley at abradley@bradleygroup.com.au

Nominations are sought for the following positions on the 2007 Senior Committee:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Club Registrar

- Assistant Secretary
- Assistant Treasurer
- Social Director
- House and Grounds
- Selectors (2)

Nominations are sought for the following positions on the 2007 Junior Executive Committee:

- Director of Junior Rugby
- Deputy Director of Junior Rugby
- Junior Secretary

- Junior Registrar Chair of Junior Social Committee

A Nomination Form is attached to the back of this notice.

Junior Committee elections are by postal ballot. Nominations must be received by 20th November.

Senior Committee elections are held at the senior AGM on 7th December. Nominations must be received by 4th December.

> JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR CLUB POSITIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE