

Old Collegians Rugby Weekly News



25 July 2013

NEXT MATCHES

SATURDAY 27 JULY 2013

Gleneagles Reserve
5:150pm: Women's XV v Woodville
3.20pm: 1st XV v Woodville
2.00pm: 2nd XV v Woodville
12:40pm: U14s XV v Vikings
11.20am: U12s XV v Vikings
10.10am: U7/8/10s XV v Vikings

<u>Parkinson Reserve</u> 11.20am: U16s v Burnside

<u>Waite Oval</u> 2.00pm: 3rd XV v University 12.40pm: 4th XV v University

SUNDAY 28 July 2013

<u>Tregenza Oval</u> From 12.00pm: Golden Oldies

<u>Parkinson Oval</u> 10.00am to 12pm: Junior Girls' 7s

STATE TEAMS

Last week we neglected to mention the contribution of a number of our folks at a state representative level. Warm congratulations also go to:

Peet Arnold, Assistant Coach of the Black Falcons **Graham Copson**, Coach of the State U13s

Mike Lowe, Physiotherapist for the Black Falcons (and **Bridget Sugden** and the rest of the Physio Direct Team who supporting the state programs)

Tim Dawes, who played the entire state carnival with the

Tasmanian side to complete their front row

Congrats also to the **U13s State Team** who won the Spirit Award in their age group in the Gold Coast Carnival. This is an outstanding achievement and comes in part from Graham's work to keep the U12s together during the offseason playing Oztag, giving them the chance to catch up, and to develop their core passing and positional skills on a weekly basis during that period.

SENIOR RUGBY

College Cup: Nat Linder-Patton, for tries in TWO grades. **Best Volunteers:** Jo Rogers and Corne Arnold for their tireless work all day!

1st XV: OC 20 v Brighton 30

Tries: Gary Mann Pens: Stu Robertson (5) Best Players: Wayne Power, Tim Dawes, Chris Steel

2nd XV: OC 30 v Brighton 15

Tries: Mitch Sallis (2), Matt Adams (2), Nat Linder-Patton Conv: Mitch Sallis Pen: Mitch Sallis Best Players: Matt Adams, Peter Cross, Todd Graham, Alex Murphy

3rd XV: OC 34 v Brighton o

Tries: Rob Porteous, Ryan Nielsen, Mick Hauser, Blake Giarola, Nat Linder-Patton (and an penalty try) Conv: Linder-Patton (2) Best Players: Mick Hauser, Rob Porteous, Ed Smart

4th XV: OC 27 v Brighton 14

Tries: Chris Hender, Paul Cleary, Mark Johnson (2),
Stewart Douglas Conv: Vinnie Laurendi
Best Players: Paul Cleary, Mark Johnson, Sam Walwyn
A cold Saturday and a soggy pitch greeted us. The first
half we could not capitalise on our opportunities and
even though we were the stronger team we entered the
half time break 5 - 7 down thanks to an excellent try to
Chris Hender. The second half we continued our
dominance and started to make our scoring chances stick
with two tries to Mark Johnson and tries for both Stewart
Douglas and Paul Cleary. A solid effort from ever player
has kept this 4th grade in finals contention!



Division 2 – withdrawing teams

Souths and NEDs have withdrawn their Division 2 teams. SARU are working on changes to the balance of draw – keep an eye on these emails, and assume the version of the draw you have is probably wrong!

Photos & Video

Photos and video of the matches regularly go up on our FaceBook page and youtube account (see links below), & on the website <u>here</u>. Keep an eye out for them!

Follow us! Links below.





JUNIOR RUGBY

Under 16s: Old Collegians o v Brighton 41

Everyone did really well considering we played half the game with only 13 players on the field. We continue to show determination and a 'never give up' attitude which is all we can ask considering the number of players we have out due to injury and sickness. This was reinforced through the referee's comments after the game - he thoroughly enjoyed reffing the game and paid tribute to our great bunch of boys.

A credit to you all. Well Done.

Under 14s: Old Collegians 17 v Brighton 22

Tries: Ollie Horne, Nick Barry and Adam Thompson

On a very special day, the u14's put on a very special performance against Brighton who have not been beaten at U14 level for 3 years! 17 - 7 down at half time, the boys pulled it back to 17 - 17 with a couple of minutes to go, and were so unlucky to be denied with Brighton scoring following a few refereeing decisions that went against us. Every player in the team stood up and played their part. The forwards were outstanding playing a very aggressive pick and drive game and special mentions for Matt Green, James Parry, Charlie Dubois, Cody "The Birthday Boy" Joppich and Spencer Bond who played at Flanker for the first time. Ollie, Rory and Harrison received the referee and spectators 1, 2, 3 nominations for best players but today was about the team as a whole who took their game to another level and every player was a stand out. Shows we can compete against the best in the comp so let's build on it and make the finals! Well done boys...

I am sure Bob was looking down on you with a great big smile on his face!

Under 12s: Old Collegians 17 v Brighton 27

The team went into this game in a good frame of mind. We worked extremely hard at the break down, with some great rucking from the dominant pack on the day, with turn overs well in Old Colls' favour. Some strong running from the base of the scrum saw Max Monfries rewarded with our first try of the half, the second coming from tireless openside flanker, Bailey Skeates . 17 - 12 to Brighton at half time saw the first two tries of the second half scored by the visitors. A strong finish to the game with Linkan Williamson scoring in the corner. A stand out performance from our team.

Under 10s: Old Collegians v Brighton

Best Player: Harry L for his tireless work at the rucks

The first 10 minutes was very even, with good tackling preventing any tries being scored and the OC recycling the ball very well at the rucks. Unfortunately after this, a couple of quick tries from Brighton caused our shoulders to drop a little and some missed tackles led to a few more tries being conceded. Carl played his usual good game, tackling himself to another nosebleed, Meg made yet another try-saving tackle, Slade never took a backwards step, and Angus, Dakota and Callum ran well with the ball in hand. The next step is to improve our decision making at the breakdown so we are not caught short around the fringes.

Under 8s: Old Collegians v Brighton

Coaches' Award: Sam Brady

The Under 8s had a tough game against Brighton with good defence from both teams making scoring tries and retaining the ball difficult. But with perseverance and some terrific passing we were able to begin scoring some wonderful team tries. Big cover tackles by Ryan, Max Richards and James kept us on the front foot. In the second half, the team focused on securing the ball after the tackle was made and protecting it from the opposition some terrific clean outs and securing 'being the crab' were made by Ryan Barlow, James List, Sam Brady and Jake Wall and we were able to run in a lot of great tries. Well done guys a great return to rugby following the holiday break.

Under 7s: Old Collegians v Brighton

Coaches' Award: Ivan Arnold, for a very good game in defence and also scoring a couple of tries with his straight running.

Jackson Denley also had another good game and contributed several tries. Lana also carried the ball up strongly with a number of good runs. Our younger and new players in the team are also starting to settle in well and made some valuable contributions. A special mention to Alex Punshon who is the latest addition to our team and played his first game on Saturday. Welcome Alex, it's great to have you on board! Well done and a big thank you to all our U7's for another great game. Our team continues to grow from strength to strength!

SOCIAL EVENTS

JUNIORS MOVIE NIGHT

From 5pm, Saturday 27 July

"INVICTUS" will be shown for Junior players & siblings Free Hotdogs & Popcorn!

Movie starts at 7pm

Players please bring along your bean bag

Meanwhile... **Oyster & Wine Evening** on the balcony \$10 per Adult, for wine tasting and finger food

SENIOR CLUB MEMBERS: YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO GET BACK TO THE CLUB AFTER THE WOODVILLE GAMES TO SOCIALISE WITH OUR JUNIOR CLUB MEMBRS!



GOLDEN OLDIES AT TREGENZA

Sunday 28 July

Kick off will be 12:00 noon sharp, changerooms open from 11.00am Golden Oldies players, be there by 11:30 am to register and warm up. The matches will be followed by a meal and drinks at the club bar. As usual for the Old Collegians game, there will be curries produced by the Crippled Crows ladies and a band for dancing and singing.

Family and friends welcome!

Any past or present OC players over the age of 35 are welcome to play, but must complete a registration form and pay the fee of \$50 before the game as other rugby policies do not cover injuries to players in these games.

SUPPORTERS DAY!!

Saturday 3 August

Come along to support our lads and lasses against Port, NEDs and the Vikings. Sponsors, Life Members and Volunteers are invited to join us on the balcony during the 1st XV home-game as a thanks for their support.

Social Diary 27 July: Movie Night

27 July: Movie Night
27 July: Oysters & Wine
28 July: Golden Oldies
3 August: Supporters' Day
3 August: Beer Pong
10 August: Quiz Night
17 August: Miss College
17 August: Bledisloe
24 August: Bledisloe
31 August: End of Season Party
14 September: Argentinean Grill
14 September: Wallabies v Arg
4 October: Presentation Dinner

BEER PONG CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday Night, 3 August

Come to the club for home games and Supporters Day and stay on for dinner and some friendly competition. Post your team names on Facebook to register:

www.facebook.com/events/366221533505937/

The comp is capped at 16 TEAMS and there are only a few spots left so be quick!

To add to the fun of the evening it will also be...

Semi-Formal night that means we dress fancy up top, but with rugby shorts/socks down below. Refer to the epic old school photo on the wall to the left of the bar if you need some inspiration.

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday, 10 August, 7:30pm

\$15 per table, 8 major rounds plus bonus rounds Major Prize will be a large basket full of goodies and wine Maximum of 6 people per table. Bring your own table nibbles. NO BYO.

TRAINING NIGHT DINNERS

There are hot meals every **Wednesday night** and **Thursday night** is \$10 steaks!

CLUB NOTES

SENIOR SELECTION

If you are available for selection but can't make training, or if you are not available for selection – you **MUST** call or SMS our Rugby Director, Danny McCartan on 0412 849 004 by **TUESDAY EACH WEEK. DO NOT JUST TELL YOUR COACH, MANAGER OR MATES**. This applies to all players from 4th grade to 1st grade.

SENIOR SUBS

Players are reminded that full payment is required as soon as possible. Players will not be permitted to play finals in any grade unless they are fully paid. A list of unfinancial players will be published soon.

WE WANT YOUR PHOTOS!

If you have photos of games or club life, we want them for the website and Facebook page! Email paulhorne@internode.on.net and he'll link you to our Dropbox, and you can simply drop the photos in there to share them with us each week!

REFEREES

We've been pretty good this year in our words and conduct towards the referees. Let's keep it up till the end. There was a moment on Saturday where a referee had to ask the crowd (not just us, but including us) to get off his back. Before you give voice to your frustrations (reasonable or otherwise) please remember that there is no game without the ref, that they are doing the best for very little reward other than your thanks, and that their numbers are stretched very thin.

BYE BYE, BOBBY

Last Saturday we farewelled Bob Burgess. Thank you to all for the minute's silence before the 1st XV's game, and particularly to the U7s and U8s who ran out with our Firsts (and their parents for bringing them along). Bob would have been moved. Please stop by his brass plaque over the bar sometime, and have a drink and a yarn with him.



With thanks to our Sponsors!



SUBSCRIPTION

Senior Player: \$275 Senior Concession: \$235

U12, U14, U16 & U18: \$175 U7, U8, U9 & U10: \$155 (Family discounts available)

Social Members: \$80

Merchandise

OC shorts and socks are stocked by: Powerhouse Sports, 169 The Parade, Norwood. Head down to the Parade for your gear.



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