

# **OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY UNION CLUB**

# Tregenza Times

**30th August 2018** 

#### **Elimination & Semi Final Results**

Coopers Premier Grade—Old Collegians 37 v Onkaparinga 7

Premier Reserve Grade—Old Collegians 15 v Souths 24

Premier Third Grade— Old Collegians 15 v Brighton 21

Open Women—Old Collegians 25 v Brighton 15

Under 18—Old Collegians 34 v Brighton 25

Under 14's — Old Collegians 7 v Burnside 36

Under 12's — Old Collegians 39 v Brighton 12

Congratulations to the U12s, U18s and Women's Teams who progressed to their respective Grand Finals!

# **Preliminary Finals—Bailey Reserve**

SOUTHERN SU	JBURBS R	RUFC, BAILEY RESERVE, CLARENCE GARDENS
U12 U14	09:00   10:00	Brighton v Burnside Old Collegians v Onkaparinga
U16 U18	08:40	Barossa v Burnside Brighton v Onkaparinga
Women Div.1 Res	11:10 12:40	Brighton v Burnside Port Adelaide v Adelaide University
Div.1 Prem Third	14:00   11:00	Port Adelaide v Adelaide University Onkaparinga v Brighton
Prem Res Premier	12:40   15:40	Burnside v Southern Suburbs  Burnside v Old Collegians
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Let's get the 'Red & Blue Cheer Squad' out to Bailey Reserve to cheer on our U14's & First Grade lads!!

# Old Collegians Rugby Union Football Club

#### **Vision Statement:**

To be South Australia's leading and most innovative Rugby Union Club, a strong community based club with a spirited culture.

#### **Mission Statement:**

To build a framework that delivers sustainable, long-term success on and off the pitch for Old Collegians Rugby Union Football Club by including, engaging, encouraging and supporting all Club members and supporters in every aspect of the Club

#### Values:

- Inclusivity
- Loyalty
- Honesty
- Accountability

#### **Volunteers' Corner**

We would like to take this opportunity to say



To Ted Apted, Sue Thewlis, Barb Finn,
Margaret Paterson and Chrisse
Nightingale for preparing the
Thursday night meals.

Your efforts are truly appreciated!

#### **Don Smith Awards**

Congratulations the Old Collegian's nominees for 2018 Don Smith Awards:

Jack Campion
Jack Curtin
Lusia Raikiwasa
Tayler Savage
Michael Clifton

Good luck to all!

See the results on next page

#### **Don Smith Award Winners**

What a great night for Old Collegians Rugby Union Football Club.

Congratulations to the winners and the nominees. Your Club is extremely proud of your efforts on and off the field.

Junior Maualvo U18's Best and Fairest

Michael Clifton

**Meredith Knowler Tackling Trophy** 

Lusia Raikiwasa

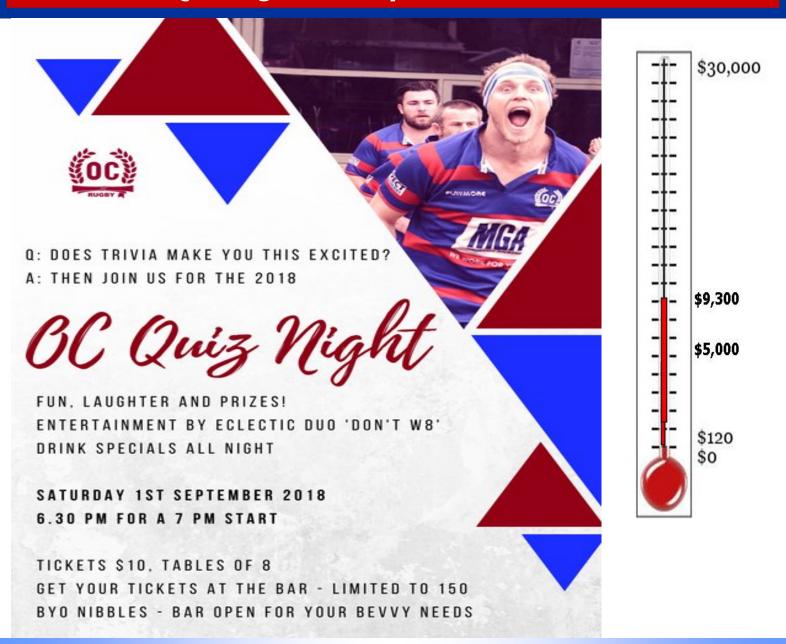
**Edna Reilly Best and Fairest Female Player** 

Lusia Raikiwasa





#### Quiz Night—Book your Table now!!!!!



# **Old Collegians Needs You!**

To make this Final Fundraiser for the Season a huge success!
It is an evening for the whole club to participant in!
Junior and Senior families and Friends alike!

We want to see that Thermometer at the half way mark!

There will be an "Adult Wheel Barrow Prize Raffle" and a "Kids Wheel Barrow Prize Raffle"

Heaps of games and entertainment for the whole family!

**Donations** of Prizes can be left near the Bar in Clubrooms on Training Nights prior to Thursday 30th August!

# Join us for our 2018 Senior Presentation Dinner



Friday 14th September 2018 6.30pm - 1.00am at Tregenza

Presentations & Smorgasbord Dinner

DJ Pat—Dancing

Dress Code—Jacket & Tie -Cocktail Dresses

Book before September 1st for early bird tickets \$60pp—last minute bookings \$65pp



Bookings now open at http://www.ticketebo.com.au/oldcolls2018snrpresentation

## **Coopers Premier Grade Match Report**

#### Old Collegians 39 v Onkaparinga 7

**Tries:** Gary Mann, Jack Curtin, Chris Bartlett, Kyle Fleetwood-Pieper, Will Sadler

**Conversions:** Jim Hopkinson (2), Rob Smedley, Will Sadler

**Penalties:** Jim Hopkinson (2)

The First Grade put in a thorough effort to defeat Onkaparinga and in doing so showed the progress that has been made since losing heavily to Onkas in the first round this year and being knocked out of the finals by them in the same game in 2017. The strong defensive endeavours frustrated the Onkas team, which usually thrives on its offload game and counter-attack, allowing Old Colls to dictate where much of the play took place. The game was at times hectic and very physical, but the First Grade were well served by an efficient set-piece and the depth of talent and efforts from the reserve bench.

Old Colls were able to work into a good field position in the first 10 minutes as Onkas conceded several penalties, putting Hopkinson in place to kick the first 3 points. Both sides missed opportunities from dropped passes, but Old Colls settled first and Curtin was elusive at 5/8, creating uncertainty for Onkas, with Mann then Bartlett breaking the line before going back inside for Curtin to score from 30m out.

On the restart Bartlett forced a turnover and put Onkas on the back foot, going wide for Fleetwood-Pieper to counter up the wing, then Curtin advanced up the middle of the field before returning it to Fleetwood-Pieper to finish in the corner. Hopkinson kept the score ticking over with conversions and later took the lead to 20 with a second penalty kick after defensive pressure from Burgess left Onkas exposed. In the last 10 minutes Onkas battled their way out of their 22 on the back of some penalties, eventually getting 1 try on the board before half time.

In the second half Onkas had much of the possession initially but were contained by effective up front and cover defence. This concluded with Curtin putting in a long clearing kick from our 22 which was recovered, then after a several consolidating phases Old Colls had worked close to the try-line and Mann went over with the pack.

Once play resumed Fleetwood-Pieper continued to be a threat with the ground made from his carries, and Curtin directed traffic to put Campion into a hole before he then made a last pass to Bartlett who scored under the posts. Onkaparinga had several further attacking passages but were held out by resolute tackling in the

defensive 22. As time ran down Old Colls managed to clear when Ben Viljoen ran it down the wing and kicked past the last defender, where our forwards pushed the ruck phases ahead and Sadler ultimately scored and converted the last try.



#### **Premier Reserve Grade Match Report**

#### Old Collegians 15 vs Souths 24

Tries: Sandy Taylor (2)
Conversions: Ben Viljoen (1)
Penalty Goals: Ben Viljoen (1)

And so we come the end of the road. Not the designation hoped for; wished for; played all year for. But boy, did we get off to a very bright start. Receiving from the kick off, we ran the ball back well and had Souths on their heals. It only took 3 minutes for Sandy Taylor to crash to the line for our first try and a straight forward conversion for Ben Viljoen. Playing with momentum and forcing Souths into defensive misdemeanours, 10 minutes later we got the kickable penalty, duly belted over by Benny. Terrific -- 10 nil! But it didn't last. South's, playing with (some might say) uncharacteristic discipline and fluidity scored two tries in fairly quick succession. Unlike last week, Souths kicker was more reliable and slotted one conversion to sneak ahead 12 - 10. The game was still very competitive as full time as half time approached. Then, bang!, Sandy Taylor once again forced himself to the try line. Benny couldn't convert this time but a 2 point lead at half time buoyed spirits.

As the second half wore on, we could sense the tide starting to turn. Fatigue setting in, those small mistakes accumulating, Souths maintaining their form, and finally the pressure told. We just couldn't find the decisiveness of the first half. Souths ran in two tries in the last 5 or so minutes and there it was, 24 - 15.

Congratulations to every single player. We played as well as we could, better at times - not just in this match but all year. We played to the bitter end. We had the good grace and humility to accept that Souths played better and wish them well.

And now (for this season at least) this is the end of our story. But its not the end of us. See you all again in 2019!



# **Premier Third Grade Match Report**

#### **Old Collegians 15 vs Brighton 24**

Perfect rugby weather for our last chance for a shot at reaching the Grand Final. Up against a very strong Brighton side, we had managed to put together a very formidable challenge.

Passion and heart was evident on the field from the first whistle. With the pride of 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade on the line, the lads brought every single ounce of what they had to field and left nothing to spare. Our attack was strong against a well-trained and skilled Brighton side, meeting us with an organised defence. Retaining strong control of the ball, the first mark on the scoreboard was a penalty goal expertly executed from in front of the goal posts by Mark Johnson.

The battle continued with Brighton returning with a try and a conversion made possible by our slipping defence. Shortly after it looked like we were back on track with a seven more points of our own by Rob Porteous, and then another put down by Will McLeay. With a half time score of our 15 to their 7 points, our prospects were good and it was looking very much as if we could take away a well-deserved win.

The second half began with just as much passion as was on line in the first half. With both sides holding each of other off with equal skill, the score held steady in our favour. The deadlock broken with a penalty try awarded to Brighton from tackling mistake by one of our boys. Still we held the lead by a single point, all we had to do was to hold the line to secure victory. A second try from Brighton saw them jump ahead but still within reach. As the minutes ticked on, passions and tempo increased from both sides with a few sign of stress and tensions boiling over. In the dying minutes, we made a last ditch effort of repeated pick and drive toward the try line. Tensions on the sidelines and the field alike were strong. A heroic leap by Jon Collins and leap for the try line looked like we were back. Unfortunately, with an accidental double movement stole our hopes. The final minutes saw Brighton continue to hold our continued attack.

## **Women's Match Report**

#### Old Collegians 25 v Brighton 15



# **Under 18's Match Report**

**Tries:** Brad (1), Ruan (3), Jack (1)

**Conversions:** George (3), **Penalty Goals:** George (1)

At the start of season 2018 we had 3 aims,  $1^{st}$  win the Minor Premiership,  $2^{nd}$  win the Qualifying Final to progress straight to the Grand Final, the last aim was, of course, win the Grand Final. With the  $1^{st}$  2 aims ticked off we can now focus on our health, attend training and train hard,



work on our game plan and wait to see who from Brighton and Onkas we will meet in the G.F. in a fortnight.

Saturday's game truly was a game of 2 halves (familiar bloody story). Old Coll's came out of the blocks so quick we blew Brighton away with forward dominance and back precision. It was no surprise that we opened the scoring, we won a lineout in Brighton territory, the ball went through the hands and Ruan beat 1 defender to race away and score. The lead was extended soon after, George dummied and made a line break, we probed left with Jack nearly scoring, the ruck was set up, quick ball, the ball went right and Michael fed Jack to score, leaving the Old Coll's bench in raptures. Raptures led to ecstasy soon after when Brad, running a superb line, made a clear line-break putting us in attack again. Brighton stopped us illegally 5 metres out, we elected to scrum down, drove their pack backwards and, with their defence scrambling Ruan was on hand to get his 2<sup>nd</sup> and our 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Brighton then started to challenge our defence and started making inroads into our dominance. The penalty count started going against us and, after conceding 2 quick penalties in the ruck they were in position to kick for an attacking lineout. They gathered the ball, diving maul, recycled quickly and pulled a try back. We hit back with another scrum in their 22, we got over the line twice but were held up. Another 5 metre scrum, we attacked, a ruck formed and Brad picked, went, dived for the line and scored. Brighton came back at us just before the halt but superb defence on our line kept them at bay. We went into the half with a dominant lead of 24 - 5.

2<sup>nd</sup> half Brighton played like a team with nothing to lose and dominated. Ruan had to make a try saving tackle, Bubbles did similar after they took a penalty tap and go. Eventually we broke, their left winger scoring in the corner. The lead was restored though with Ruan superbly intercepting a wayward pass to race under the posts and score the easiest finish he'll ever have. You'd have expected this to put the game to bed but not with our adventure seeking fellas, charging after a big kick which the Brighton fullback returned with interest. Somehow George was in our fullback position, claimed the ball but Brighton bore down on him, won possession and scored with our defence scrambling. Soon after we had a body blow when the dreaded Clifton Curse struck again with our fullback and inspirational captain Michael suffering a season ending dislocated shoulder. Best wishes from us all pal and as the sympathetic Harrison offered, you can now be the reserve water boy.

This injury negatively affected our lads as Brighton ran in 2 more tries in the closing stages although possibly the hot conditions were a contributory factor also. It was a relief when the ref blew the final whistle with a final score of 34 - 25. Anyhow we won, we're in the position of another Grand Final to prepare for which will make it the  $5^{th}$  year in a row many of these lads have played in.

However, a lesson from those who played last year, it bloody hurts when you lose on the big day. Right lads, get yourselves to training, I reckon Richie means it when he says no train, start on the bench.

Ooooooooohhhhhhhhhhhh me lads, you should have seen us coming......

# **Under 12's Match Report**

#### Old Collegians 39 vs Brighton 12

A great morning for the Old Collegians U12's on Saturday, progressing to the Grand Final.





#### **OC Junior News**

#### JPP (U7's - U10's) End of 2018 Season - Gala Day:

SUNDAY, 2<sup>nd</sup> September (please note that this unfortunately is Father's Day too) Date:

Where: North Torrens RUFC (Dry Creek)

Time: During the morning only

# **OLD COLLEGIANS 2018 JUNIOR PRESENTATION**

DATE: SUNDAY

**16 SEPT.** 

TIME: 12:30pm

Lunch will be

served at 1pm





Adults \$30 (10-18 yrs) \$25 (4-9 yrs) \$20 Toddlers FREE

Spit Roast (two meat selection), multiple salads, bread rolls, condiments & dessert

Tickets must be purchased prior to Friday 7th Sept. (Catering purposes)

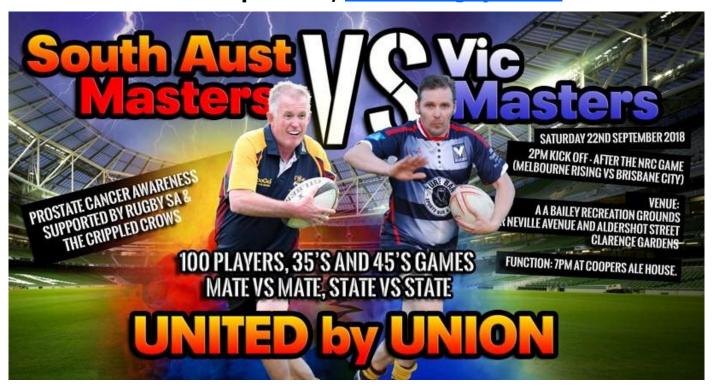
TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT: http://www.ticketebo.com.au/oldcollsjuniorpresentation2018

Junior Awards Presented Contact: Corné Arnold Bouncy Castles

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#### **RUSA News**

SA Masters vs Vic Masters...
It's mate against mate, state against state.
22nd September, <u>Souths Rugby Union</u>.





#### **Save the Dates — OC 2018 Calendar**

<b>Sept</b> 1st	10.00am	Preliminary Finals OC Under 14's vs Onkaparinga	Bailey Reserve
	3.40pm	OC Premier First Grade vs Burnside	Bailey Reserve
1st	6.30pm	Quiz Night	OC Club Rooms
2nd 8th		JPP Gala Day Grand Finals OC U12's OC U18's OC Women's	North Torrens RUFC Onkaparinga RUFC
14th 16th 22nd 22nd 29th	6.30pm 12.30pm 2.00pm	Senior Presentation Night Junior Presentation Afternoon NRC Game State Masters Rugby FASA 7's	OC Club Rooms OC Club Rooms Adelaide Bailey Reserve
<b>Oct</b> 6th		Elizabeth 7's	
Nov			

**Christmas Celebration** 

Dec





# **Grand Final Day**

# 2018 Grand Final across all grades of Rugby Union in South Australia

Hosted by the Onkaparinga Rugby Union Football Club **8.40am—5.40pm** 

Onsite food trucks, BBQ, canteen facilities

Outside & Inside bars

Activities for children

Entry | \$5 kids & \$10 adults

# **Old Collegians Merchandise**

#### **OC Dress Shirts**

Fabulous quality!
Fine Blue and White check with OC logo on left side.

Men—Long or Short Sleeves! Women's shirt has 3/4 sleeve.

Men's and Women's styles (women's has fitted styling)

All sizes available—Men's S to 5XL Women's sizes—6 to 24 Ordering details will follow shortly.

#### **Stubby Holder**

Available Now! \$10.00

#### **Metal Drink Bottles**

**\$20 each.** You can purchase a second or third bottle at \$18 each.

#### **OC Bucket Hat**

The very popular Bucket Hat is back! **\$20** each.

Get yours now before they all go!

#### OC Cap

\$20 each. Great quality cap!

All of these items are available **NOW** . Ask at the Bar or the Canteen





Please note the new colour and price of the Dress Shirts!

Mid Blue with Red Logo



We encourage all members to add this great shirt to your wardrobe.



## **Old Collegians Shorts and Socks**

Old Collegians socks & shorts available for sale in all sizes at the Club on Wednesday & Thursday training nights and on home game days. Please ask at the Canteen.

# All other items in the OC Leisurewear range can be purchased on-line through O'Neills Club link:

https://www.oneills.com/shop-by-team/rugby/rugby-union/old-collegians-rugby-club.html

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