Randwick District Rugby Union Football Club Inc. 2014 Annual Report





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Sam Figg scoring





GK (Gary) Pearse Represented NSW and Australia and JA (John) Mison First Grade Manager under Bob Dwyer, Coach. Manager 1973 Squad to England, Wales, France, Italy and Singapore.



Latham Park training BBQ – Ian Holder, Jeffrey Sayle, Dan Dowe and Geoff de Mesquita



First Colts Grand Final bench



Randwick District Rugby Union Football Club Inc Council 2014

Office Bearers and Management Council for 2014 were as follows:

President Bob Dwyer

Secretary Douglas Eggins
Treasurer Ian Bonnette

Elected Members Chris Barron (resigned 25.3.14)

Glen Joseph (appointed 25.3.14)

Ian Kennedy Simon Poidevin John Tuxworth Warwick Waugh

Life Members Representative Peter Court

Director of Rugby Nick Ryan

Honorary Lawyer James Glissan QC

Patron Jeffrey Sayle

Attendance at Management Meetings

Since the election on 25 November 2013 the Randwick Rugby Council has met eleven times up to 28 October 2014. Attendance to that date are:

Bob Dwyer (10) Chris Barron (nil) Ian Bonnette (10) Peter Court (10)

Douglas Eggins (11) James Glissan QC (nil) Glen Joseph (5) Ian Kennedy (6)

Simon Poidevin (11) Nick Ryan (11) Jeffrey Sayle (10) John Tuxworth (9)

Warwick Waugh (7)

Other officials

Administration Geoff de Mesquita

Club Captain Tom Bennett

Club Trainer Matthew Williams

Honorary Timekeeper Chris Fraser
Honorary Statistician Ray Jennings
Honorary Historian and Archivist Bob Outterside
Honorary Ball Boy/Girl Captain Dan Dowe

Ball Boys/Girls Joshua Drevon, Jack Haydon, Georgie Kiernan, Zack McGeechin,

Benjamin Smith, Ryan Smith, Thomas Walker and Zach

Wotherspoon

Medical Officers Dr Paul Raftos and Dr Joe Casamento

Physiotherapist Di Long Auditor Ken Wright

Annual Report Editorial Committee Doug Eggins, Ray Jennings, Clarissa Luxford, Bob Outterside



President's Report

Any club in the Sydney Premiership competition will judge its success on a lot more than just the winning of competitions. Sure, this is important, probably the most important, but there's definitely more to it.

Are we providing the opportunity to play rugby to a large number of young men?

Are we giving them the programs and coaching to enable them to reach their potential?

Are we instilling in them the ethics of our great game – fair play and respect for your opposition?

Are we giving them practice sessions and game opportunity to provide enjoyment and self-satisfaction?

Are we giving our faithful fans plenty of reason to be proud of the Myrtle Green?

There's a lot to it.

And so we can look back on season 2014, with some degree of satisfaction and growing confidence in the immediate future. We are not there yet, not by a long shot, but there are reasons for optimism.

- Our junior program is fantastic and the envy of all other sports in the area. Jim Dubos, the Clubs, the parents, the coaches and staff, the players – Take a bow! Your enthusiasm and commitment are inspiring.
- Our colts program is very good our First Team outstanding and we are playing accurate Randwick Rugby (note the capitals!) which is likewise inspiring.
 Fullest congratulations go to 2014 Coach, Brent Kelly, and his team.
- Our Club administration, from our outstanding Director of Rugby, Nick Ryan, our tireless Club Secretary, Doug Eggins, to our totally committed Board, have established a sound financial position which will underpin our imminent surge to a superior on-field position. Believe me! The addition of Travis Partridge, as Director of Colts, to our team will strengthen and already has strengthened this upward surge.
- The appointment of Shannon Fraser, as Head Coach, fresh from the outstanding performances
 of the NSW Country Eagles in the NRC, will continue to take us forward, after two years of
 consolidation, then progress, from Wade Kelly.
 Well done Wade! Players want to play for us again. I can't say more.

Our new coaching team, headed up – as mentioned above – by Shannon Fraser, looks strong. Experienced and tough and committed to success. I've got a good gut feel about them.

Our off-season and pre-season programs, last year, were first class, but, for a number of reasons, we fell off the pace as the season lengthened. The coaching team is aware of this and is determined to avoid any repeat.

Make no mistake, we are moving forward. We know that hard work – on and off the field – and tough, smart play is needed for ultimate Premiership success. And we're ready for it!

Our Club holds a special, perhaps unique, place in Australian Rugby, heading the lists of Wallaby representatives, Wallaby captains and Wallaby coaches. Now we can add "Wallaby Invincibles".



In 2013 Inside Rugby Magazine honoured Australian Rugby's best players in the post-war period. Selected solely on the basis on Rugby excellence the first four Invincibles were Randwick greats, Colin Windon, Ken Catchpole, Mark Ella and David Campese.

It was a full house at Doltone House on Elizabeth Street at the 2014 Randwick Rugby Lunch when friends and supporters of Randwick Rugby in turn honoured the Invincibles. Lunch guests were treated to a virtual Test with amazing video footage of each 'Invincible' broadcast on the big screens. Master of Ceremonies Adam Freier steered the distinguished panel of Sir Nick Shehadie, Peter Johnson, Simon Poidevin and Mark Ella chosen to represent the Invincibles respectively, the panelists being interviewed about each 'Invincible' and what made them special.

Player scholarships were also a focus of the day and lunch attendees heard an update on the progress of the Club and the rationale for the scholarships from Director of Rugby Nick Ryan. The Premiership-winning First Grade Colts were also recognised at the lunch with enthusiastic applause and video footage of their Season.

The fund-raising element of the lunch was a success with the wide array of priceless auction items being swiftly secured by fervent bidders.

Thanks go to the organising committee and others who assisted, prize donors, table captains and lunch guests who attended. The support from so many of the Randwick Rugby community contributed to an outstanding event.

Bob Dwyer, AM

President



President Bob Dwyer and Club Secretary Doug Eggins at Juniors Day



Representative Scene

Randwick continued its outstanding contribution to the Wallabies, Super 15, Provincial Teams and other representative teams. We congratulate these players on their achievements in 2014.

Wallabies

Kurtley Beale, Sekope Kepu

Waratahs

Kurtley Beale, Matthew Carraro, Stephen Hoiles, David Horwitz, Sekope Kepu

Milestones in 2014

The following players achieved milestones in the number of games played for the Club:

Steve Casamento 150 grade games

Andrew Wing-Kee 150 grade games

Tim Wright 150 grade games



Waratahs Sekope Kepu and Stephen Hoiles



Australia U20s Andrew Kellaway







Season Launch Jeffrey Sayle, Sir Nicholas Shehadie and Tom Connor



Goulburn pre-season camp



Best and Fairest Awards

First Grade Fataitoa Asa
Second Grade Patrick Hodgetts
Third Grade Nick Coogan

Fourth Grade Max Kite

Colts First Grade Jack Johnson
Colts Second Grade Sam Connor
Colts Third Grade Sean O'Byrne

Randwick Rugby Trophy for Best and Fairest Player in the Club Fataitoa Asa



Simon Poidevin and Fataitoa Asa



Simon Poidevin, Jeffrey Sayle and Tim Wright



Ron Don Memorial Trophy for Most Improved Player in the Club Jesse Harris

Dick Quinlan Memorial Trophy for Best Club Man in Fourth Grade Max Kite

Best Clubman of the Year

Declan O'Donohue

Rookie of the year

Andrew Kellaway

Aiden Wilson Memorial Colts Clubman of the Year

Declan O'Donohue

Colts Player of the Year

Ben Starkey

Laurie Augue Memorial Trophy for the Grade team that scores the most number of tries in a Season:

Third Grade 79 Tries

The WT (Bill) Outterside Memorial Trophy

The Recipient shall be a player acknowledged by his team-mates for his commitment to fitness, willingness to learn, loyalty to his fellows and to his Club and dedication to mastering the fundamentals of the Randwick Brand of Rugby - 2014 Recipient: Fataitoa Asa

CJ Windon Trophy for best back rower in the Club

Tom Connor

CH Towers Trophy for season's leading try scorer

Greg Marks 9 Tries

Club's most valuable player

Fataitoa Asa

Best new player in the Club

Apakuki Ma'afu

Coach's best all-rounder on and off the Field

Ned Hanigan



Greg Marks





Michael Cheika at Randwick training

Sponsors

Without the generosity and support of our Club sponsors we would struggle to survive from year to year; our sincere appreciation and gratitude to all of our Club sponsors below.

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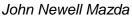
- Tony Bowen and Ted Seng, Mayors of Randwick City Council, their Councillors, Ray Brownlee, the General Manager of Randwick Council and his staff. The Council's continuing support in relation to Coogee Oval, Latham Park and Nagle Park is greatly appreciated.
- The coaches and managers throughout the season: Steve Bennie, Brad Bishop, Saxon Bowles, Jayson Brewer, Matthew Buckland, Gavin Crawford, Josh Daley, Ian Holder, Geoff Ingram, Glen Joseph, Andrew Kelly, Brent Kelly, Wade Kelly, Martin Kiernan, Chris Kourt, Adam Landry, Mick Lewis, Peter Meagher, John Muggleton, Christian Norton, Joe Picone, Damian Ryan, Jeffrey Sayle, Trevor Schrembri, Allen Stutchbury, James Tesoriero.
- The Club's medical team under Dr Paul Raftos and Dr Joe Casamento
- Headed by Diane Long, the Club's physiotherapists Louise McGinness and Stu Mackay
- The Club's ball boy squad under Dan Dowe
- Time Keeper Chris Fraser
- Club trainers under the direction of Head Trainer Matt Williams
- Ground announcer Chris Fraser
- Coogee Oval Match Day Controller Dan Dowe
- Match day assistants Doug Eggins and Steve Holten
- Linesmen Tim Musgrave, Viv Weatherall and Dan Dowe
- Clarissa Luxford who prepares the Club's weekly newsletter and manages the website
- The Club's Statistician Ray Jennings
- The Club's Archivist and Historian, Robert Outterside
- Photographers Samantha Dennewald, Brett Dooley, David Lyon, Donna McCulloch and Ric McLallen
- Dan Dowe, Chris Fraser and Matthew Wheeler for the Thursday night barbeques and refreshments
- Club Chaplain Dave Rogers of St Luke's Clovelly
- Jamie Johnson, President of Randwick Rugby Juniors and his committee as well as the Presidents of the Randwick junior clubs



- David Davies, President of the Sydney South Rugby Referees Association
- Annual Report Editorial Committee Doug Eggins, Ray Jennings, Clarissa Luxford and Bob Outterside
- To the Club's loyal supporters that continue to turn up year after year and make Coogee Oval such a fantastic place to play rugby.









Gary Ella



Life Members Association Report



Life Member Bob Outterside and Tom Towers, son of former doyen and Life Member Cyril Towers

2014 Rugby Season

The Life Members Association acknowledges and congratulates the Club on its endeavours during the 2014 Season. The Club finished fourth in the Club Championship. The First and Third Grade teams made the major premiership series, as did the First and Second Grade Colts. Special congratulations to the First Grade Colts who were successful in winning the Colts major premiership in spectacular fashion.

The Association endorses and applauds the efforts of all members of the Club who enable it to participate competitively in the District Competition. This acknowledgment is not limited to the players, coaching staff, on field support staff, medical assistants, the Rugby Council, administrators and sponsors but also recognises all the gifted volunteers who contributed in so many capacities.

Association activities

Since the last report the Association has held meetings on 1 November 2013, 27 June 2014 and 15 October 2014. The Life Members Association is a Sub-Committee of the Randwick Rugby Council constituted by the Council by the delegated authority of the Club Rules. The Association carries out such tasks as the Council from time to time request.

The Association has been provided with the task of assisting the Council by identifying and recommending to Council possible nominees for consideration by the Council as being worthy for the Club's higher awards.

The Association during the reporting period recommended to the Rugby Council that Chris Barron be a worthy recipient of the Wally Meagher Trophy. In addition, the Association recommended Meritorious Service Awards be made to Brad Bishop, Allen Stutchbury and Dan Dowe. The Rugby Council approved the Association's recommendations and the awards were presented by the Club President, Bob Dwyer at Coogee Oval on Saturday 28 June 2014.



The Association is currently investigating the feasibility of converting the records of the Club to a digital form.

Conclusion

On behalf of all Life Members I would like to express our appreciation for the support and recognition the Association receives from the Randwick Rugby Council, the members and supporters of the Club.

As a segment of the Randwick Rugby community, the Association expounds the philosophy of a past commentator of the Club:

"Here is a Club that primarily enjoys its football, enjoys the freedom and creativity of spinning a rugby ball from one pair of hands to another, relishes the chance to race pell mell from one side of the field to the other until suddenly the opposition goal line is breached and plundered."

The Association extends its best wishes for 2015 to the Director of Rugby, Nick Ryan, the First Grade Head Coach, Shannon Fraser, and the Colts Coaching Director and Club Administrator, Travis Partridge.

Peter Court

Chairman

Life Members Association



Patron Jeffrey Sayle and Sir Nicholas Shehadie



The RDRUFC extends its condolences to the families of

Keith Kearns, Max Denholm, Margaret Anne Hanna (nee Shehadie), Terry E Darcy, Peter Turner, Barry Blundell Snr, Warwick Dennewald, Max Howell, Leslie Church, Don Wright, Eric Turner, Ron Oscar Wilde, Barry Kilham, Keith Emerson and Archie McCausland.



Max Howell AO





Barry Blundell Snr

Eric Turner

Randwick District Rugby Union Football Club Elected Life Members

Life Members Elected Prior to 1947

HW Baker*	1931	MM Atkins*	1941
JM Dunningham*	1931	CH Towers*	1942
NE Eglese*	1931	CR Davidson*	1942
LB Callaghan*	1932	JRL Palfreyman*	1945
JA Rigney*	1932	EK Dobbs*	1945
FW Meagher*	1937		



Life Members Elected 1947-1969				
JF Lane*	1950	FC Thornley*	1958	
V Ford*	1951	HJC Kahl*	1961	
W Rowney*	1958	J O'Shea*	1965	
Life Members Elected	1970-1979			
KS Windon*	1970	JJ Hovey*	1975	
H Stephen*	1974	R Outterside	1976	
DC Furness*	1975	RW Meagher*	1979	
Life Members Elected	1980-2012			
JM McCulloch*	1982	KAP Phibbs	1998	
RSF Dwyer	1983	Sir Nicholas Shehadie	1998	
JL Sayle	1985	LW Argue*	2001	
PK Court	1986	JB Casamento	2001	
IM Kennedy	1989	TW Reid	2001	
PM Willcox*	1991	JR Murray	2005	
JM Maxwell	1993	RJ Willey	2005	
J Cotis*	1994	G Karras	2007	
AA Gaffney	1994	P Antoniades	2008	
WT Outterside*	1994	TG Evans	2008	
DE Henry	1997	DC Long	2010	
W Hope	1997	WA Wheeler	2011	
V Singer	1997	AD James	2011	
CJ Windon*	1997	DP Habler	2012	

* Denotes Deceased Life Members







Dan Dowe, Brad Bishop, Allen Stutchbury, Chris Barron, Bob Dwyer, Bob Outterside

Current Life Members

R Outterside	1976	JB Casamento	2001
RSF Dwyer	1983	TW Reid	2001
JL Sayle	1985	JR Murray	2005
PK Court	1986	RJ Willey	2005
IM Kennedy	1989	G Karras	2007
JM Maxwell	1993	P Antoniades	2008
AA Gaffney	1994	TG Evans	2008
DE Henry	1997	DC Long	2010
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KAP Phibbs	1998	DP Habler	2012
Sir Nicholas Shehadie	1998		





Report from the RDRUFC Club Chaplain

It's such a privilege to be part of the Galloping Greens community and to join with so many others who put in the hard yards for the players and supporters of the Wicks. There have been lots of good times this year, chatting over a beer at lawn bowls or Presentation Day, on the phone with a player after an injury or with some sweaty props over a Thursday night sausage sizzle down at Latham!

My role as Chaplain is to support the players off the field, to be an independent ear, to encourage our players to also be great men, to check in with those who are injured and to be part of building the team spirit at the Club (and team work is so important off the field as well as on the field!).

I'm thankful for progress this year in getting alongside the many continuing and new players. The biggest change this year from my perspective was the combining of Colts and Grade training – whereas previously I'd attended training nights for Grade only. This year there's been another three teams' worth of young Colts who I've been trying to get to know as well! I hope next year to be able to provide more of a presence around the Colts teams as well.

In some discussions with Nick Ryan, we've been working on ways to both broaden my presence as Chaplain and also focus my efforts on mentoring and supporting some of our players. So, with that in mind, I'm looking forward to the year ahead – Up the Wicks!

Wishing every Galloping Green a safe and special time this Christmas – and don't forget the reason for the season!

Dave Rogers



Dan Dowe, Dave Rogers, Chris Fraser



Director of Rugby Report

On behalf of our Rugby Club, I want to thank everyone for their efforts in 2014 - especially our players, the support staff and our sponsors. My simple message to them for the future of this Club is to shape the Club in the image and the environment that you want through your actions and your standards. Don't sit back and wait.

We enter the off-season carrying the mantle as defending First Colts Premiers, something that this Club has not said since 1995 but really the legacy is that their success has challenged some conventional orthodoxy at this Club.

For what do we stand? What behaviors and standards do we expect of each other? What's more important – talent or character? Is being good but not great still a pass mark?

These young men not only asked themselves but each other these questions - every session, of every week and they didn't write these answers down in a book or a test but applied them in their walk and in their hearts – and the final exam mark was what we saw at Forshaw Park on that magical Sunday on the 16th August.

So with essentially our 2015 season staring in earnest, everyone involved with this Club, from the players, coaches, managers, support staff and supporters needs to ask themselves "What are we prepared to invest not to merely make this a good club but a truly great one?"

We started asking ourselves these questions over the off-season of 2013-2014 and vowed to be better and not be bitter about Sydney University's success and domination over the education and rugby landscape of this competition. We used the sting of a 103 – 5 defeat to Sydney University in a First Colts semifinal in August 2013 to shape a new direction for this Club, and in particular the Colts program. We thought about recruitment and what types of people and positions we wanted to fill in our Rugby Club. We thought about the holistic development of our young men, and mostly we focused on making a real and meaningful contribution to the future direction of their lives, not just their rugby careers.

My message has always been that success is not something that miraculously happens every Saturday at 3pm but winning the battle every day – whether it be at work, studying and passing an exam, training when you are sick or tired - that gives you that foundation and fortitude to take on the task of succeeding on the scoreboard.

The teams that won on the scoreboard during 2014 succeeded because they rarely lost that battle Monday to Friday. They saw opportunity in adversity, put the Club and team before self and never, never offered an excuse as a way out. No team epitomised this more than 1st Colts.

Declan O'Donohue and Toa Asa deserve enormous praise for the way they led by example in 2014 through the Colts and Grade ranks respectively. The Club is incredibly lucky to have two such decent, talented and outstanding people in its midst.

John Muggleton told me during the year that he has never seen a successful player, team or club that was comfortable. Being challenged and overcoming it is a trait that will make you a success regardless of your football ability. Constant high standards, constant hard work, constant improvement is the only key to success in any field, and football is no different.



Wayne Bennett told Wade and me when we went up to see him during the year that "The secret is, that there is no secret". And if there was one from watching him at work it is simply that you have to keep doing things extraordinarily well, to demand consistently high standards, all the time.

You wouldn't expect our friends at Mazda to think they'd made the perfect car in 1920 and then to just keep making the same one every year without improving it and expecting it to sell as fast as pies at the footy or our friends at UNSW to establish a University in 1949 and not look to develop and improve their research and curriculums to stay ahead of the academic field.

So our approach going forward is now clear - to chase the opposition, on and off the field. To be the hunter. To aspire to be our very best - as a person, as an athlete, as a player. To win the battle every day, of every week so we can win the war at the end of the year.

Culture is really just a collection of behaviors added together over time and the adherence and the commitment to the accumulation of "one percenters" will shape the direction and success of this Club. It might be a credit average at Uni, a building apprenticeship secured, pouring a few beers at the bowling club to make ends meet. It might be lifting a PB in the gym, or getting your skinfolds down. It might be having the courage to challenge a club-mate to lift his attitude and behaviors rather than hoping someone else does it for you. These things might not even count to the punter in the stand, but for us to be a consistently great club we have to treat these like gold.

We believe they're the most accurate measure we have of the player and staff efforts and their true contribution to the overall success of this Rugby Club, not just a few tackles and carries on a rugby field.

Which is why we have to get better again in 2015 and push ourselves beyond what we might *think* are our limits as individuals and as a Club. We thought 7 scholarships and a half go at winning a Colts comp was good enough in 2013. Who knows what would have happened if this were not challenged by the superb players of First Colts and their coaches desire to improve and the inspired leadership of people like Poido, Bob, Tuxy, Ian Bonnette and Glen Joseph.

There's trying hard, and there's **really** trying hard.

We now have 34 scholarships and a group of coaches and players that are not only bloody good players but even better people, and even with that extraordinary, off the scale, effort at Forshaw on Grand Final Day – more effort than we've ever measured or seen before - the game could have gone either way and it went down to the last minute.

To our members and supporters - be engaged with this Rugby Club and in particular these young men who wear the jumper. This year is only the beginning. We are now on a path and we will not deviate from it, one inch. Why would we when you saw the passion and the commitment that these outstanding young men displayed for each other and the Club?

The challenge is to get another batch like these and use the energy of the Colts Premiership to challenge everyone in the Club to rise to another level in 2015. The drive and passion to improve from within will determine the final ladder position in 2015.

Personally, I want to say a big thank you to departing First Grade coach Wade Kelly for his friendship and support during 2014. I am certainly going to miss his passion and unwavering



commitment and I know Wade's legacy will be on show for years to come with the young men he has nurtured and developed during his tenure.

2015 will be another tough year as we attempt to climb the ladder – there will no short cuts, no tolerance for people who aren't all in and no excuses offered – just courage, endurance, sacrifice and mateship on show at every turn, every week. The adherence to these four pillars will see us have a year to remember. I look forward to chasing the other clubs down again in 2015 with you all.

Up the Wicks!

Nick Ryan Director of Rugby



Nick Ryan and Fataitoa Asa

First Grade Report

Coach: Wade Kelly

Manager: Saxon Bowles

Captains: Sam Figg and Fataitoa Asa

If anyone that played First Grade in 2014 takes one thing away from the experience, I hope it is this.....Look at the man in the mirror, first and last, he knows what you deserve.

When I was lucky enough to **earn** a spot at the Brisbane Broncos when I was 16, I was given three rules

- 1. Turn up on time
- 2. Listen to everything Coach says
- 3. Train and play flat out

Look at the man in the mirror first and last, he knows what you deserve.

It not only served me well there but in life in general.



Our season started officially for players and staff in early November 2013 and after four months of preseason training, a tough camp, three trials, eighteen rounds and a Semi-final later we were blown away in August by Minor Premiers Manly. A success?Not for mine.

Early pre-season was promising. I thought we retained the right players, recruited wisely where we could and invested heavily on internal development where we couldn't. The coaching staff of Matt Bowman, John Muggleton, Jayson Brewer, Steve Hoiles, David Yole and Nick Ryan was 1st Class. Matt Williams was sorting out the physical performance department, we had gun colts to keep everyone on their toes, Ricky Dumigan was planning the Pre-Season 'Torture' Camp and the great Ric McLallen made sure everything we needed was on hand. Michael Cheika, Ewan McKenzie, Rocky Elsom, Warwick Waugh, the Swans and Dr Illan Kogus spoke to the players about how important discipline and the right mentality were in achieving success. We had built on the success of the previous year's results but there's one major obstacle. Our mentality. It was, and still is, our Achilles heel. It all came back to the three rules above.

We can have all the coaches, equipment, programs, analysis, recovery, supplements you could ask for but we don't have those three mentioned above we are doomed from the start. Some get why.....some never will. If we are ever to overcome these obstacles we must address them first so let's do that.

1. Turn up on time

For any organisation to be successful it needs discipline. Turning up on time ready to work is as easy and funnily enough, as hard as it gets. First Grade started training on Tuesday and Thursdays at 6.30pm. At Round 16 this year, with the season on the line, Tuesday we had 9 ready, Thursday we had 6. It seems so little......it means so much. I felt so sorry for the 9 and 6. Honestly, it broke my heart for them. I'm just glad the guys that turned up ready to go got their rewards and will continue to do so. I'll help those ones, any day any time.

2. Listen to everything Coach says

That doesn't mean 100% agree with them but listen and take it all in. Pretty quickly in my own playing career I worked out that there were three types of coaches. The first told me what I wanted to hear, the second told me what I needed to hear and the third had no idea. The first one crippled me slowly, the second crippled me quickly and the third was irrelevant. Who was the best? The second of course. Even though I didn't like what they said, I knew it was true. Those guys then helped me improve my weaknesses and become a better player. It was interesting to see the reaction of the players when we told them what they 'needed' to hear this year. We had everything from astonishment, to tears, to actually leaving the club. The most common was to blame someone else, something else. The top ones? They manned up and worked on their weaknesses. If only they all did........

3. Train and play flat out

This one for me is pretty easy. If I want to have a blinder on Saturday, I had to have a blinder all week. If I wanted to be a great player at the time, I had to be a great player all the time. It's simple, if I want to tackle, run, pass, kick, whatever, like a champion on Saturday, I practised like that all week. If I want to give up, drop the ball, miss tackles, miss lineouts, I'll practise that way during the week. On Tuesday of round 14 this year Muggo and Jayson had a contact session planned for our squad of 32.........13 did it. 19 sat out or didn't show up. Look at the man in the mirror first and last, he knows what you deserve.



Some guys got those things spot on and had great seasons. I could see they were clearly frustrated that not all were doing the same.

The roommates Ethan Ford and Harry Boileau were great. 'The Mouse' Tom Connor seem broken physically from Round 1 and was still astonishingly inspirational in Round 18. Sam Figg busted his ass at every turn, then unfortunately his neck. Kuki Ma'afu? If injuries stayed away he would be in a 'Tahs' jumper for 2015. Goodbody? Not bad for a backpacking 6 to play two years at First Grade Tighthead. Munro, bit down on last year but I'm sure he'll bounce back next year. Josh Eden-Whaitiri parachuted in and will improve in correlation with his work ethic. Nath Nigel Roye? A pleasure to watch and coach. Horwitz and Kellaway's limited game time due to Aussie 20s killed us. These two are the real deal. Add to that Andrew Deegan and Ned Hanigan. First Year out of School and First Grade was almost like playing in the backyard. Finally keep an eye on Ben Selby, the rugby world is at his feet, he's just unsure if he wants it. Injuries cruelled a few that would have been handy additions.

Finally, the big man with an even bigger heart. Two years driving from Campbelltown to Latham just to be the best player and person he could be. From his bullocking 22 drop out returns to chasing down wingers on the fly. The Samoan Wrecking Ball is one of the best men I've ever come across. Words cannot describe what I think of this bloke. It's not just his on field deeds that are super impressive; it's the other 99% of his week. He knows what is important, is respectful of all, appreciates his opportunities and is humble in his success. **Toa Asa -** I "dips me lid" to you Sir. You are a Champion. Thank you for letting me be a part of your journey and congratulations on taking out the 2014 First Grade Player of the Year. I know your influence has rubbed off on a lot of people and long may that continue.

Players I have mentioned above deserve success and, too, in their own way they did. The opportunity was there to make the 2014 First Grade season one to never forget. I just wish, like those guys and the First Colts did, that everyone took it. Semi-finals both years might seem like success......but not when you had the talent to be better than that.

To all the staff, I can't thank you enough. Saxon, Ric, Bowy, Brew, Muggo, Ben, Dave, Hoilesy, Nick, Geoff, Matty, Coma, Paul, Di, Louisa, Stu, Tim, De Mesquita. Your help in delivering a program for these guys to perform from November last year was incredible. I owe you all a lot.

Finally to the players themselves. Thank you all for your big or small efforts. They were all very much appreciated accordingly. I take a lot of blame for not getting you to where I believed you could have gone. I'm working on myself to make sure I don't repeat the same mistakes. There's a tidal wave of quality Wicks, young players coming through now. The First Grade Jersey will once again become very difficult to obtain. It's up to you, to **earn** the right to keep it. I've got an idea who will.......and also who, will have an excuse why they won't.

Look forward to watching it all from the hill with a beer and pie in my hand

Up the Wicks!

Wade Kelly



"A Coach is someone who tells you what you don't want to hear, who has you see what you don't want to see, so you can be who you want to be." Tom Landry

56 Players appeared during the season

Best and Fairest: Fataitoa Asa

Most appearances: Tristan Goodbody 18 games

Leading Point Scorer: Liam Windon – 63 pts, 2 tries, 7 conv., 13 pen.

Leading Try Scorer: Tristan Goodbody 8

Leading Goal Scorer: David Horwitz 47 pts, 13 conv., 7 pen.



33 Players made their First Grade debut

Elih Ballie, Mark Bannon, Connor Davis, Andrew Deegan, Tim Donlan, Josh Eden-Whaitiri, Petrus Engelbrecht, Dan Faleafa, Sam Figg, Ned Hanigan, Jesse Harris, Alex Harrod, Tom Hiddleston, Charlie Hughes, Nick Kaspareck, Andrew Kellaway, Sione Kolo, Bennett Leslie, Apakuki Ma'afu, Oli Nicholson, Alfred Paea, Jack Pennington, Alfred Pinomi, Mark Porpiglia, William Rees-Hole, Brogan Roods, Nathan Roye, Ben Selby, Lewis Taie, Fetonui Tuinauvai, Alex Walker, Tom Wallace, Liam Windon



Tim Donlan scoring





Coach Wade Kelly



Toa Asa leading First Grade out at Coogee Oval



First Grade 2014 Season Results – Shute Shield

Opponent	Round 1	Round 2
Eastern Suburbs	Won 33 -10	
Northern Suburbs	Won 29 – 25	Won 28 – 19
Gordon	Lost 10 -12	Won 33 – 31
Penrith	Won 37 – 23	
Eastwood	Lost 18 – 23	Lost 12 – 30
West Harbour	Lost 22 – 26	Won 38 – 26
Southern Districts	Lost 22 – 30	
Parramatta	Won 26 – 20	
Eastern Suburbs	Won 26 – 20	
Sydney University	Draw 23 all	
Manly	Lost 12 – 60	Lost 0 – 48
Warringah	Lost 19 – 24	Won 32 - 22

Qualifying Semi Final	Manly	Lost 5 - 42
Semi Final		
Elimination Final		
Grand Final		

Season Scoring		
For Against		
Tries	55	68
Goals	32	39
Penalty/Field Goals	25	27
Total Points	414	499

Played	19
Won	9
Lost	9
Drawn	1
Bonus Points	10
Win Points	38
Total Points	48
Points For	414
Points Against	499



Second Grade Report

Coach: Geoff Ingram

Manager: Peter Meagher

Captain: Patrick Hodgetts

After a solid start, winning seven of the first nine games, Second Grade was well positioned at the halfway mark of the season. Facing a tough second-half draw, we struggled to overcome a mounting injury toll, mental fatigue over a long season and a continuous rotation of players, ultimately falling short of the finals.

Key 'takeaways' from the year are: 1) Detail matters - small errors have big consequences; 2) Breakdown wins games - you can't win without retaining ball and creating quick ball as a base for attack; 3) Patience - we handed over possession far too easily, looking for the big play instead of building phases and pressure.

Hopefully all players will be back fresh, a little older and wiser for next year and remember the mistakes made this season.

Thanks go to all of the players, medical and support staff (especially Marzo) for their continued efforts over the season. Special thanks to Pat Hodgetts, Tom Wallace, Tim Donlan, Andrew Norton and Alex Harrod who formed the backbone of the team for the majority of the year as consistent performers every week and team players with a great attitude.

Also thanks go to Wade Kelly and Nick Ryan for their support in my first year coaching.

Geoff Ingram

61 Players appeared during the season

Best and Fairest: Patrick Hodgetts

Most appearances: Tom Wallace 17 games

Leading Points Scorer: Connor Davis 66 points, 2 Tries, 19 conv., 6 pen.

Leading Try Scorer: Patrick Hodgetts 5

Leading Goal Scorer: Connor Davis 25 points – 19 conversions, 6 penalties





Second Grade 2014 Season Results - Colin Caird Shield

Opponent	Round 1	Round 2
Eastern Suburbs	Won 25 - 24	
Northern Suburbs	Won 29 - 7	Lost 10 - 20
Gordon	Won 20 -15	Lost 34 - 37
Penrith	Won 49 - 7	Won 35 - 8
Eastwood	Lost 12 - 48	Lost 59 -12
West Harbour	Won 44 – 6	Won 20 – 14
Southern Districts	Won 61 – 26	
Parramatta	Lost 30 – 31	
Eastern Suburbs	Won 41 – 9	
Sydney University	Lost 6 – 21	
Manly	Lost 19 – 22	Lost 12 – 59
Warringah	Lost 10 – 28	Lost 19 - 24

Qualifying Semi Final	
Semi Final	
Elimination Final	
Grand Final	

Season Scoring		
	For	Against
Tries	65	67
Goals	42	43
Penalty/Field Goals	21	12
Total Points	472	457

Played	18
Won	8
Lost	10
Drawn	0
Bonus Points	11
Win Points	32
Total Points	43
Points For	472
Points Against	457





Captain Patrick Hodgetts





Second Grade



Third Grade Report

Coach: James Tesoriero

Manager: lan Holder

Captains: Mark Porpiglia, Connor Davis and James Helliwell

Following a short and somewhat disrupted pre-season, the Third Grade season started with a sloppy loss to rivals Eastern Suburbs in Round 1. The team took valuable lessons from the early loss, particularly regarding the importance of match-day preparation and controlling the early stages of games. Success followed this adjustment in mindset, with early wins over Northern Suburbs, Gordon, Penrith. A 20-0 victory over Eastwood in Round 5 gave the team great confidence and optimism for a successful season. When the team scored a scrum try after the bell to defeat Sydney University 19-17 at University Oval No. 1, we assumed the top position on the Third Grade table after 10 games.

Third Grade's form was mixed through the second half of the season. As injuries hit and player depth was tested, the opposition seemed to get tougher. Two defeats each to Manly and Warringah and a heavy loss to Eastwood at Coogee Oval, were low points of slump in form. A 27-8 victory against a strong West Harbour at Concord Oval was a highlight of the season's second half. The Thirds showed considerable spirit and regained some form leading into the semi-finals with comfortable late-season wins against Gordon and Norths.

The team finished in 4th place on the third grade table at the close of the minor premiership. Due to some upsets in the other Qualifying Finals, our match vs Warringah in week 1 of the Finals became an elimination match. The team's preparation for this match was strong and the team took confidence into the showdown at T.G.Millner. In the opening half, Warringah's forward pack delivered their team plenty of possession and strong go-forward, converted into points by a very slick backline. A Tom Hiddleston try just before halftime, which he converted from the sideline, brought the 'Wicks within reach at the break. During the second half a number of basic missed tackles and soft defence allowed Warringah to pile on points, put the game out of reach, and end our season.

Notable performers for Third Grade through the 2014 season included James 'Nuggett' Helliwell at halfback and captain. 'Nug' returned from overseas midway through the year, and was highly influential through some tough periods of the season. Lachie Robertson grew as a lineout leader through-out the year, and developed strongly in other aspects of his game. Starting the season in 4th Grade, Lachie was contributing to Second Grade by the end of the year. Nick Coogan was a consistent and durable performer, a steady presence in a back-row which was regularly changing from week-to-week. Michael 'Lou' Celona was the rock of the scrum. Lou performed much of the underappreciated toil and work to earn possession for his team-mates. Tom Hiddleston was a points machine at fullback, and our team built several leads off his kicking tee. Elliot 'Screech' Retchin and Stu Dyer were also valuable contributors in the backline, both men regularly playing out of position to fill gaps for the team.

I'd like to thanks the captains for their leadership throughout the season: Mark Porpiglia, Connor Davis and James Helliwell. I'd also like to acknowledge the work of Jeff Sayle (Assistant Coach)



and Ian Holder (Manager) throughout the year. Both men brought plenty of club passion and decades of rugby experience to a young team.

James Tesoriero



74 Players appeared during the season

Best and Fairest: Nick Coogan

Most appearances: Stuart Dyer 18 games

Leading Point Scorer: Tom Hiddleston 98 points, 5 tries, 23 conv., 9 pen

Leading Try Scorer: Greg Marks 9

Leading Goal Scorer: Tom Hiddleston 32 points, 23 conv., 9 pen.



Third Grade





Adam Freier and Drew Ferguson



Celebrating Steve Casamento's 150th game



James Helliwell and Tom Weber



Third Grade 2014 Season Results – J.R.Henderson Shield

Opponent	Round 1	Round 2
Eastern Suburbs	Lost 10 – 13	
Northern Suburbs	Won 27 – 3	Won 33 – 19
Gordon	Won 24 – 7	Won 42 – 7
Penrith	Won 113 – 7	Lost 28 - 33
Eastwood	Won 20 – 0	Lost 24 – 81
West Harbour	Won 22 – 7	Won 27 – 8
Southern Districts	Won 35 – 10	
Parramatta	Won 27 – 20	
Eastern Suburbs	Won 28 – 5	
Sydney University	Won 19 – 17	
Manly	Lost 25 – 38	Lost 5 – 40
Warringah	Lost 27 – 44	Lost 16 - 26

Qualifying Semi Final	Warringah	Lost 20 – 53
Semi Final		
Elimination Final		
Grand Final		

Season Scoring			
	For	Against	
Tries	79	58	
Goals	49	35	
Penalty/Field Goals	17	15	
Total Points	544	405	

Played	19
Won	12
Lost	7
Drawn	0
Bonus Points	12
Win Points	48
Total Points	60
Points For	544
Points Against	405



Fourth Grade Report

Coach: Martin Kiernan

Managers: Allen Stutchbury and Mick Lewis

Captains: Tom Weber and Jarrod O'Hara

2014 was a season of lost opportunities for Fourth Grade. The potential was there, I believe, to give the competition a shake. Unfortunately potential will only get you so far. The team could score points - only Eastwood and Sydney University (the Fourth Grade Grand Finalists) scored more. However defence was an issue. Only four teams had more points scored against them.

It is easy to make excuses for Fourth Grade not making the finals this year. Fifty one unavailable players throughout the club in the weeks leading up to the finals affects 4th Grade the most. However the players chosen to play in those last five weeks were still capable of getting the job done. Special mention must be made of a number of colts players who stepped up to play grade rugby. They all played well above their weight and have a bright future at Randwick ahead of them. Despite the setbacks at the end of the season, the reality of it all is we lost games in the early part of the season that we should have won comfortably. To lose the final game of the season after the fulltime bell had been rung and miss out on the finals by one point only added to the heartbreak.

There were a number of games throughout the year that stand out for me in regards to the performance of the team, not necessarily the result. The away games against Manly and Eastwood, which we lost, were probably the two most complete performances of the season. Against Eastwood our forwards were the better pack on the park. It was just due to good scrambling defence by Eastwood that kept us off the scoreboard for long periods and their ability to punish us from turnover ball that resulted in Eastwood getting the spoils. The Manly game was one for us where our Colts really stood up. Michael Lo Presti and James Munro, playing in the tight five, were members of a scrum that was easily outweighed by their opponents by at least 100 KG, yet still dominated their opponents. Only a ten minute lapse in concentration after half time saw the team go down by seven points.

Two matches that we won this year where we performed in both attack and defence as I knew we could were Eastern Suburbs and Warringah at Coogee Oval. When we played these games our opponents were sitting comfortably in second place on the ladder. Despite this we managed to score bonus point victories and deny our opponents any bonus points. A few more performances like these ones throughout the year and this report may read a little differently.

I would like to congratulate Max Kite for winning Fourth Grade's best and fairest for 2014. Max, in my opinion, is underestimated as a player due to his versatility. He can play anywhere in the forwards pack with ease, yet would not look out of place anywhere in the backline except maybe halfback. Well done on a great year Max and I look forward to seeing how far you can go at Randwick.

This year I was fortunate to have two exceptional leaders in Fourth grade, Tom Weber and Jarrod O'Hara. They were instrumental in developing the team spirit that was evident in Fourth Grade this



year. The players really seemed to enjoy each other's company and towards the end of the season this showed in the performances.

A few people deserve the thanks of all the players from Fourth Grade this year:

- The medical staff of Drs Joe and Paul, physios Di, Louisa and Stuart and S&C coach Stuart. Quite often these volunteers had the largest number of players to look after and the medical room occasionally resembled a M.A.S.H. unit.
- Dan, Chris and Matthew for cooking the BBQ each week at training. The players really look forwards to the end of training on Thursdays to partake in the fare on offer.
- Nick Ryan and Wade Kelly for their support, advice and efforts in striving to again make Randwick the Premier Rugby Club in Australia.
- The many sponsors. Without your support we would not be able to play for this great club.
- Thomas and Georgie our ball-kids. Thank you for turning up to play your part in helping the team perform each week.
- To my managers, Allen Stutchbury and Mick Lewis. Your sage advice and friendship was appreciated.
- Finally, Joe Picone. Your commitment to Randwick Rugby is admirable. Your support of me throughout the last couple of years is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Congratulations go to Brent, Josh and all the players involved in First Grade Colts in their success this year. Along with the work of Matt in Second Grade Colts, I believe this group of players is vital to the future success of our Club.

Up the Wicks.

Marty Kiernan

75 Players appeared during the season

Best and Fairest Max Kite

Most appearances: Sean Hardy and Jarrod O'Hara 15 games

Leading Point Scorer: Sean Hardy 61 points, 21 conversions, 3 penalties

Leading Try Scorer: Matt Meoli

Leading Goal Scorer: Sean Hardy 51 points, 21 conv., 3 pen.





Fourth Grade 2014 Season Results – J.R.Henderson Cup

Opponent	Round 1	Round 2
Eastern Suburbs	Lost 13 – 17	
Northern Suburbs	Won 20 – 17	Lost 20 - 23
Gordon	Won 34 – 13	Won 82 – 0
Penrith	Won 85 – 14	
Eastwood	Lost 14 – 26	Lost 5 – 40
West Harbour	Won 20 – 15	Lost 19 – 39
Southern Districts	Lost 24 – 27	
Parramatta	Won 39 – 29	
Eastern Suburbs	Won 35 – 19	
Sydney University	Lost 12 – 17	
Manly	Lost 19 – 28	Lost 15 – 22
Warringah	Lost 8 – 30	Won 31 - 21



Try time





Coach Marty running on with 'Big Show' Kemble Leasusu

Qualifying Semi Final	
Semi Final	
Elimination Final	
Grand Final	

Season Scoring		
	For	Against
Tries	75	57
Goals	48	38
Penalty/Field Goals	8	12
Penalty Tries		
Total Points	495	397

Played	17
Won	8
Lost	9
Drawn	0
Bonus Points	13
Win Points	32
Total Points	45
Points For	495
Points Against	397







Tom Weber



Jeffrey Sayle, Ian Holder, Chris Baumann and Nick Coogan





Andrew Kellaway scores



First Grade v Northern Suburbs



Junior Wicks



First Grade Colts Report

Coaches: Brent Kelly and Josh Daley

Manager: Andy Kelly

Captain: Declan O'Donohue

2014 was a historical one for the young men and the support staff who made up the First Grade Colts squad. This was a special team for many reasons – a talented bunch of players who were committed every session, to each other, respecting their opponents every week. However, most impressive and crucial in their success was their respect for each other. This manifested and showed itself in so many ways during the season – the grueling Monday night fitness and weights sessions, the honesty with which they reviewed themselves and each other and most importantly their respect for each other's backgrounds, each other's quirks of personality and for the privilege of playing for this Club and the commitment they made to rebuilding it from the ground up.

A great example was the lead up to the Grand Final; Kieran Knight, an exceptionally talented and decent young man, was not selected in the starting XV for the Grand Final. The selflessness and support he displayed was indicative that whatever happens over the coming years the Club is blessed to have such quality young men in its ranks. Kieran was a part of the historic achievement as much as anyone who took part that day.

To the coaches and support staff who diligently took up the challenge to develop young men as much as young players, a huge thank you. Brent Kelly and Josh Daley were outstanding coaches for this team. They moulded a group of players whose skills developed and who never took a backward step or a shortcut. They were exceptional role models for the players and the Club.

Andy Kelly was the unsung hero behind the scenes as team manager. No task was beneath him and the team ran efficiently because of his work ethic. To Michael Brace, Colts physio and to Mick Stephen, Head of Physical Performance, a massive thank you not only for the professional quality of your work but your support and enthusiasm to the task of getting the boys fit and healthy. To win competitions a lot of things need to go right but keeping and getting the best players on the field at the right time of year is critical and the team was blessed in this regard.

To Poido, Bob Dwyer and John Tuxworth - a huge thank you for your unwavering support and passion. It was clear that post-2013 the Colts program needed to be boosted and taken in a new direction. Your support of this was crucial in getting the final outcome. Through your hard work behind the scenes, we now have a magnificent partner in UNSW that is driving life-changing opportunities for our young Colts players.

Finally, a few players deserve special praise for the performance and culture of this team. Andrew Deegan and Ned Hanigan were amongst the first players I met when I took on the job. We discussed the vision and direction of Randwick Colts and how they could lead it and shape it. Other, more established clubs were offering not hope or a vision but constant success. That they embraced the challenge of being a leader and not a follower says a huge amount about these young men. They have also been leaders in UNSW in establishing a strong Randwick presence on the campus with the support of senior management at UNSW. The Club has no finer ambassadors and people and I will forever be indebted and thankful for their faith and commitment they showed in the Club and me.



Lastly, the Captain Declan O'Donohue deserves the highest and strongest praise. This is a truly special young man. This is a leader wise beyond his years, a person of enormous integrity and a talented player who set standards on and off the field. I have been extremely fortunate to work with some talented young players and leaders over the past ten years, but none match his total package and impact on a group, on changing individual's attitudes of what they can achieve if the mindset and commitment are right.

To the playing group of 2015, I cannot speak highly enough of you all. When you reflect upon one of them, it is impossible to not think about all of them. They made a contribution to this Football Club this year that was unmatched, but, more importantly, they enriched each other's lives for the better as people. They created a bond to each other and the Club that will last a lifetime. This, not the Premiership in isolation, is their greatest legacy and accomplishment and one of which they should be incredibly proud.

Nick Ryan - Director of Rugby

First Grade Colts 2014 Season Results

Opponent	Round 1	Round 2
Eastern Suburbs	Lost 14 – 28	
Northern Suburbs	Draw 22 all	Won 55 – 25
Gordon	Won 36 – 15	Won 54 – 24
Penrith	Won 48 – 17	
Eastwood	Won 27 – 20	Won 67 – 7
West Harbour	Won 41 – 17	
Southern Districts	Lost 27 – 30	
Parramatta	Won 59 - 10	
Eastern Suburbs	Won 20 – 14	
Sydney University	Lost 23 – 38	
Manly	Won 39 – 15	Won 43 – 22
Warringah	Won 77 – 19	Won 60 - 17

Qualifying Semi Final	Manly	Won 35 - 24
Semi Final	Southern Districts	Won 32 - 30
Grand Final	Sydney University	Won 23 - 17



Season Scoring		
	For	Against
Tries	129	62
Goals	78	30
Penalty/Field Goals	12	18
Penalty Tries		
Total Points	837	424

*incl.Pen Tries

Played	18
Won	14
Lost	3
Drawn	1
Bonus Points	16
Win Points	58
Total Points	74
Points For	837
Points Against	424

*incl Finals Series
*incl Finals Series

43 Players appeared in Colts First Grade

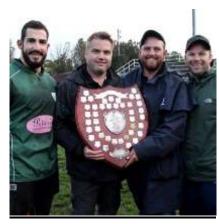
Most Appearances Kieran Knight, Mitch Short, Ben Starkey 18 games

Leading Try Scorer Matt Crafts 12

Leading Points Scorer Seamus Frost 104 points, 12 T, 22 conv.

Leading Goal Scorer Kieran Knight 61 pts, 23 conv., 5 pen.

Best and Fairest Jack Johnson









Premiership winning First Grade Colts



Second Grade Colts Report

Coach: Matt Buckland

Manager: Chris Kourt

Captain: Sam Connor

The year kicked off in fantastic style against Eastern Suburbs at Coogee Oval – the boys were pumped and we romped to a 24-0 victory. After a small blip against Northern Suburbs we put back to back wins together against Gordon, Penrith and Eastwood and the season was looking to be a good one! We then dropped crucial points away at West Harbour but bounced back with wins against Southern Districts and Parramatta and a well fought draw away at Eastern Suburbs where we played 45 minutes with 13 players! Two away games up next against Sydney University and Manly and unfortunately the boys couldn't manage to overcome these tough opponents, however, two good wins against Warringah and West Harbour got us back on track. Dropped points again reared their ugly head in narrow losses to Eastwood, Manly and Gordon and we had let the season slip away from us slightly.

What followed next was the highlight of the season to date – a 13 try romp away at Warringah – the boys stuck to the structure and played brilliantly winning 81-0 – a great confidence booster coming into the last regular round of the season against an unbeaten Northern Suburbs outfit. A slow start and some uncharacteristic errors let them sneak out to a 12-0 lead after 7 minutes however the boys fought back but went down 29-17.

This brought us to the finals and our old friends Northern Suburbs from last week! A brilliant game saw us leading 22-17 at half time and we were right in it. An intercept pass on their try line saw us miss out and them go the length of the field – we had a try disallowed and the game was gone – that was it – season over – gutted.

Overall the boys put their best foot forward which is all you can ask for – they trained well and gave everything they had in matches, if they stick to the plan and keep turning up they will be a great asset to Randwick for years to come

Up the Wicks!

Matt Buckland





Second Grade 2014 Season Results

Opponent	Round 1	Round 2
Eastern Suburbs	Won 24 – 0	
Northern Suburbs	Lost 0 – 29	Lost 17 – 29
Gordon	Won 29 – 3	Lost 24 – 36
Penrith	Won 53 – 7	
Eastwood	Won 25 – 22	Lost 24 – 28
West Harbour	Lost 10 -17	Won 23 – 22
Southern Districts	Won 34 – 18	
Parramatta	Won 38 – 24	
Eastern Suburbs	Draw 28 all	
Sydney University	Lost 12 – 47	
Manly	Lost 14 – 55	Lost 21 – 41
Warringah	Won 45 – 13	Won 81 - 0

Qualifying Semi Final	Northern Suburbs	Lost 22 - 32
Semi Final		
Elimination Final		
Grand Final		

Season Scoring			
For Against			
Tries	82	69	
Goals	48	38	
Penalty/Field Goals	6	10	
Penalty Tries			
Total Points	524	451	

Played	18
Won	9
Lost	8
Draw	1
Bonus Points	12
Win Points	38
Total Points	50
Points For	524
Points Against	451

*incl Final Series
*incl Final Series



57 Players appeared in Colts 2nd Grade

Most Appearances Kingston Day 18 games

Leading Try Scorer Zac Guilfoyle 7

Kingston Day 113 points, 4 Tries, 39

Leading Points Scorer conv.,5 pen.

Leading Goals Scorer Kingston Day 44 pts., 39 conv., 5 pen.

Best and Fairest Sam Connor



Second Grade Colts



Colts Warm-up at Coogee Oval



Third Grade Colts Report

Coaches: Adam Landry and Doug Ryan

Managers: Glen Joseph and Chris Kourt

Captain: Sean O'Byrne

To me, Randwick Rugby has always been about fifteen young men pulling on the myrtle green jersey, going out to play their best for their club and executing in a style which echoes the history of the game that Randwick supporters have grown to love and expect. This season, I believe this is what the Third Colts represented. While the scoreboard and results did not reflect the way in which they played nor the effort they put in, the foundation was built for a quality generation to continue to play the running rugby for which the club is renowned.

The season will go down as a valuable learning experience for the group of young men in the Third Colts. With only three members from the group leaving for grade next year, Jake Rutherford, Mikey Lo Presti and Nathaniel Pirola, there is a strong group of young players who I am confident will achieve great results in 2015 and for many years to come both on and off the field.

With so many players having pulled on the jersey this year, 51 in total, it is hard to mention them all, but I have to take the time to mention Sean O'Byrne, 17 years old, who played above his weight and experience. I could not have asked for a better Captain who led his side from the front. His style of play was best summed up by Sydney University's Third Colts' coach, when he took the time to mention Sean after the game. He called him an absolute pest - exactly what you want from one's flanker.

And to Mitch Jowett, a halfback who provided the direction to the backs and the forwards. Mitch's aggressiveness in defence and determination in attack lifted the team to do better and dig in themselves.

I will always remember this season as one of great joy, especially in seeing the skills and attitudes of the players improve each and every week. It was also a season of immense frustration, as I wished they would play a full game instead of only showing their true class in patches.

I express gratitude to Chris Kourt and Glen Joseph for all their hard work behind the scenes. The managers are always the unsung heroes of any club and two better managers could not have been found. The way they looked after the young men was vital to team morale and the dedication they showed sets a benchmark for all others to try and match.

A big thank you goes to Doug Ryan for his help with coaching throughout the year. The way in which he interacted with the backs and was able to communicate to them how they fit into our structure was invaluable.

Thanks go also to Nick Ryan for bringing professionalism and teaching new skills to the players and to Simon Poidevin for opposed runs against the Under 16s.

To all the medical staff, thank you for the genuine care you provided for our young men. Without you, the club as a whole would struggle to operate.



Finally, I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to all the supporters this year for coming and cheering on a side that could be frustrating one minute and amazing the next. It's sure to be a good show next year.

Adam Landrey

Coach



Third Grade Colts



Reunion at Coogee Oval



Third Grade 2014 Season Results

Opponent	Round 1	Round 2
Eastern Suburbs	Won 24 – 7	
Northern Suburbs	Lost 12 – 24	Lost 12 – 19
Gordon	Bye	Bye
Penrith	Bye	
Eastwood	Lost 14 – 28	Lost 0 - 24
West Harbour	Lost 12 – 22	Lost 17 – 19
Southern Districts	Lost 5 – 21	
Parramatta	Won 41 – 22	
Eastern Suburbs	Lost 7 – 25	
Sydney University	Lost 0 - 26	
Manly	Lost 10 – 74	Lost 5 – 28
Warringah	Won 30 – 15	Lost 12 - 20

Qualifying Semi Final	
Semi Final	
Elimination Final	
Grand Final	

Seasor	Season Scoring	
	For	Against
Tries	33	56
Goals	15	35
Penalty/Field Goals	2	8
Penalty Tries		
Total Points	201	374

Played	18
Won	3
Lost	12
Drawn/Bye	0
Bonus Points	4
Win Points	12
Total Points	16
Points For	201
Points Against	374

(incl. 3 Byes)

Leading Points Scorer



58 Players appeared in Colts 3rd Grade

Most Appearances Sean O'Byrne 14 games

Leading Try Scorer Latham Takau and Jake Ferguson 3

Leading Goals Scorer Jett Karam 18 pts, 6 conv., 2 pen.

Jett Karam 23 points, 1 Try, 6 conv.,2

pen.

Best and Fairest Sean O'Byrne







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Andrew Deegan Randwick St Hilliers

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Ned Hanigan Randwick St Hilliers

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Nick Kellaway Randwick St Hilliers

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Andrew Norton Randwick St Hilliers

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Ned Hanigan and Andrew Deegan in residence at UNSW





Reports from Randwick Junior Village Clubs

Clovelly JRFC Report



The Clovelly Eagles Junior Rugby Club continued to flourish in 2014 in what was another enjoyable season for players and parents alike. The Club registered 295 players in our 21 teams from Under 6s through to U15s.

As always, the Club owes so much to the volunteers who get involved – so a very big thank you for the support and devotion of all of our volunteers including the Committee members, coaches, managers, trainers, touch judges, ground marshalls, canteen and BBQ volunteers, social coordinators, gear stewards, and the youngsters who step up to referee.

Some highlights to mention:

- 1. From a representative perspective, Clovelly players continued to acquit themselves well. Clovelly had 46 boys from the Under 10, Under 11, Under 12 and Under 15s selected to represent Randwick District in this season's State Championships and a number of Under 15 players also represented at zone, Sydney and NSW level; we also had a number of Under 11 and Under 12 players chosen to represent at Primary School representative level. Congratulations to all those players chosen, as well as all the others who trialled. Congratulations also to the many Clovelly players who participated in the Randwick Academy held over the summer months.
- Under 12 New Zealand Tour: in what seems to again becoming a Club tradition, our Under 12s had
 another successful tour to the South Island of New Zealand, enjoying the rich traditions of New
 Zealand rugby, including the very fine hospitality of the Canterbury Crusaders and a number of All
 Blacks at training and social functions.
- 3. Connor O'Shea (Clovelly Eagles 2000-2009) and now at St Joseph's College Hunters Hill was selected as five-eighth for the 2014 Australian Schoolboys team, and Tom Wright (Clovelly Eagles 2002-2009), also at St Joseph's College Hunters Hill, was selected in the NSW Schools Rugby team in 2014. The Club congratulates Connor and Tom, and is proud to have played a part in their rugby development.

Our Under 6 – Under 9s play Minis Rugby in the Randwick/Easts hosted competition held at Nagle Park, Maroubra each Saturday morning. Clovelly fielded 14 teams as the players learnt new skills under the watchful eye of dedicated coaches and their spirited parents, from working out how to catch, pass and which way to run, to getting familiar with tackling and trying to work out what the breakdown is all about. To any observer at Nagle Park, it is controlled mayhem and a pleasure to watch. One special mention is made of Leo Jacques of the Under 8 Black team in recognition of a quite remarkable try-scoring effort in the season, with 74 tries putting him 3rd on the Club's all-time list of record performances for tries in a season.



In the Junior competition (Under 10s up), we fielded 7 teams across the board, with 6 teams from our Under 10, Under 11 and Under 12s playing in the very competitive Friday night competition hosted by the SJRU and our Under 15s continuing to excel in the Sunday 15A competition. Special mention should be made of the following teams who all had fine seasons:

- our Under 11 White team (coached by Ian Alker) who won 12 of 13 games including a convincing 43-14 win against Balmain in the Grand Final and were premiers for the second year running.
- our 10 Blue team (coached by Craig Morrison), who won 11 0f 16 games and put in a willing effort against a talented South Coogee team in the Grand Final to be runners up;
- our Under 15 side (coached by Craig Bell, Stu Donaldson and Brett McCormick), who were runners
 up and appearing in their 3rd successive grand final. Of the team squad of 23, 16 were selected to
 play in the Randwick U15 team in the State Championships, 11 went on to represent the Zone, 5
 represented Sydney and 3 players (Will Harrison, Marco Bell and Matt Stead) went on to represent
 NSW U15s.

In the Juniors, a number of ex-Clovelly players were also well represented in some of the combined Randwick Warrior teams in the Under 13s – Under 16s. The merging of players from the Randwick Village clubs (Clovelly, Coogee, South Coogee and Maroubra) under the "RW" banner and myrtle green colours remains a crucial option available to ensure the District retains players at Club level when individual Clubs are unable to maintain stand-alone teams, as these age groups generally witness a departure of a large number of our players as they take new paths in their high school years. The Club thanks the likes of Jim Dubos, Doug Eggins, Jamie Johnson, Andrew Dyster and others for the effort in making this option available for players in these age groups.

Stephen Hoiles joined our Presentation Day at Burrows Park to present awards to our kids and provided words of encouragement and spoke about what opportunities rugby has given to him. Thanks Stephen. Will Harrison (U15s) took out the Col Windon Award (for most potential in a Juniors team) and Max Tanner (Under 9s) received the Chris Whitaker Award (for most potential in a Minis team). Zac McConnell (Under 11s) took out the Exceptional Achievement Award for the second year running, and Jonathan Shiel-Dick (Under 12s) was awarded the Shawn Mackay Club Player of the Year award.

Our sponsors deserve special mention. There are only so many fundraising activities that our volunteers can do as they compete with every other sporting organization in the area for the same dollar, so sponsorship will continue to play an important role in the maintenance and growth of the Club. We truly appreciate the support of our sponsors including Macquarie Private Wealth, Bendigo Bank Clovelly, TJs Cleaning Services, Clovelly Hotel, Clovelly Bowling Club, Ravesis, Nicholas Calpis – Mouthquards & Dentures, Kingsford.

As part of Randwick Juniors and the Sydney Junior Rugby Union , we are very appreciative of the efforts of Jamie Johnson (President, Randwick Juniors) and Jim Dubos (Development Officer, Randwick Juniors) in running the Randwick Juniors, the Rep program and the fantastic Randwick Academy, so thanks to Jamie and Jim and the many other coaches and supporters of the Juniors. We also thank Kerry Brady and Matt Kellahan of the SJRU. All of these folks do a great deal of work that many do not see, and are to be applauded for their efforts and commitment to junior rugby. On behalf of the Clovelly Committee, I otherwise say thank you to everyone who has so generously given their precious time to the Club – coaches and managers especially. In particular, I thank the Committee for their hard work and dedication: Robert Dick, Josh Smith, Glen Hadlow, John Andrews, Deb Johnson, Craig Morrison and Tas Tanner shouldered the brunt of the planning, organisation, time and effort to keeping the Club running, and have done a great job.

Michael McSweeny

President



Coogee Junior Rugby Report



As a first-year President, I will open by thanking ex-President, Jamie Johnson, for his guidance this year.

The Mighty Black and Whites showed a spirit and rugby tenacity, both on and off the field, that I can remember flourishing throughout the club, when I was a kid. It is fair to say that our great club has continued to instill those fantastic rugby morals into our players, which assist young men right throughout their lives. It is nice to know, that 'The Handshake', 'The Eye-Contact' and 'The Chin-Up' attitude is still as important as the 'Hard, Tough, Fair Rugby', for which Coogee Junior Rugby has become renowned; something to uphold of which to be very proud.

A pride that began this season with our All-Conquering Minis!

From U6s to U9s, played on Saturday morning at Nagle Park, Maroubra, the Minis showed us that the future of this club is in very capable hands. By the end of the year, our **Under 6s and 7s** were all running the direction the coaches wanted them to, and 'team' qualities were abundant, with loads of 'sharing' the footy. Great stuff!

Meanwhile, our **Under 8s** were mastering the art of 'tackling', a first time for some non-leagueys. It should be noted, that the brand of running rugby, present throughout the 8s was far beyond their years. Exciting spectacle!

The **Under 9s** showed a fighting spirit that sounded a warning to all other clubs. They showed that they are more than ready for contested scrums and line-outs next year. Looking forward to their first 'Competition Ladder" next season. Rubbing hands together!

A special 'Thank You' should be highlighted, to Simon Thorpe, our Minis Coordinator, not forgetting the support of his wife Liz. As a member of the Club Committee, Simon was instrumental in identifying that our level of coaching can be improved upon, albeit excellent. Improved with better training drills and techniques. This was evidenced by the Minis Running-Rugby.

Our **Friday Night Competition** (very popular with parents) was a great success, even the 'Antarctic' nights.

The **Under 10s** adapted well to their first year of contested scrums and line-outs. Very different flavour compared to the U9s. It should be noted, that these guys play against a South Coogee team that have been undefeated since the U6s. This team used to beat Coogee by 10 tries. Now only one or two. Excellent progress!

Under 11s and 12s can become a tricky age when juggling school boy rugby commitments as well. At these ages, boys find themselves splitting up all over Sydney. Some remain at local government schools, whereas, some can find themselves at private schools such as Cranbrook, Scots, Waverley, Riverview or Newington. Training afternoons and game day can be messy, but



our boys all had a season full of highlights. Nice to see that little bit more fire at the breakdown. Remember, no footy, no points. Also nice to see minimal kicking and ball in hands. Nice growth!

The **Sunday Competition** had only our **Under 15s** competing. Although a small competition, with not a lot of teams, the boys had a gritty season. Playing tough was their greatest asset. They can hold their heads high. Coach Andrew Whatson should be commended for holding the team together, a tough age with school commitments and other Sunday sports. Well done!

The **Randwick Junior Academy** was well represented by Coogee players this year. We are proud to say that our club provided players in the U10s, 11s, 12s and 15s. Congratulations to the boys listed below:

U10s

Bobby Morris, Michael Stouroulakis, Josh Algie, Grant Stein, Xavier Waugh, James Maguire, Gus Runow, Cade Lacey, Ayden Diffin, Bailey Habler, Ronan Hennesy, Sam Kennedy, Isaac Dunn

U11s

Rhys Johnson, Ronny Fiala Moto, Jack Harms, Tom Pintaric, Miller Teotu'u, Slobodan Marjanovic

U12s

Hugo Savala, Boris Koula, Ned Hicks, Lachlan Unsworth, Luke Hennesy

U15s

Pat Clifton, Liam Cornish, Justin Dela Cruz, Ryley Angles Corke, Jordon Paea, Josh Cook

A very big 'Thank You' goes to Jim Dubos and volunteers for their dedication and vision for our junior players.

This year was also highlighted by our **Brisbane Rugby Tour.** This is an amazing tradition that has been going for **40 years** between **Coogee Junior Rugby and Souths Magpies Brisbane** (also black and whites). Not many sports across the world can boast those figures. Our committee and parents were hosted by Souths, whilst our players were billeted with the Brisbane families. Great to see that every boy was 'buzzing with excitement' about the new Queensland mateships they had created. 2015 will see Coogee hosting the same teams in Sydney as U11s and 12s players. It is our chance to return the hospitality.

A special mention and **thank You** should be said about the efforts of our **Tour Coordinator**, **Sharon Frazer**. Sharon was instrumental in raising **\$20,000** to make the tour happen - a **Titanic effort!**

On behalf of this great club, I would like to thank all of the players, parents, supporters, coaches, managers and committee for a wonderful season.

Thanks go also to:

- Our 'The Wrap' & 'Club Website' coordinators, Marianne Perrottet and Mark Elizondo for their tireless efforts to 'save' The Wrap' from extinction.
- Kerry Brady and the Sydney Junior Rugby Union staff for running such a fantastic season for the players.
- Jamie Johnson and Randwick Juniors
- Billy Hodgetts and all the young referees, top effort!
- Our sponsors who deserve special mention: Our season sponsors, The Organic Cleavers Meat Company, Surf Livesaving Sunscreen and Fita and to our Brisbane Tour sponsors – Axis Plumbing, Addison Advisory Group, Paddington Glass, ANG's Auto Care and Commonwealth Bank.



Additionally, our appreciation extends to all of the other Club Presidents and their respective committees.

As we reach for our beach towels and sunscreen, I personally **thank You All**, for the opportunity to be a part of my favourite Randwick Junior Club. I look forward to seeing you all, and new friends, next year for another great, fun season. Be Safe!

"Up The Mighty Seahorses".

"Gallop Seahorse Gallop!"

Adam Diffen President











Maroubra Juniors Report



The Maroubra Missiles Junior Rugby Union Club enjoyed a fun and successful 2014 season fielding four teams in the U6, U9, U11 and U16 age groups. Our players had a fantastic season with the U6 team going through undefeated, the U9 side winning more than they lost, the U11 side getting through to the Plate Final and the U16s making their presence felt in the Independent Sporting Association (ISA) competition.

The minis teams had some great experiences running out for the pre-match entertainment at the mighty Waratahs v Auckland trial match at Allianz Stadium and then twice more with our local heroes, the mighty Wicks at Coogee Oval. The boys loved the attention and hopefully we will see some of them go on to play for both of those teams!! Well maybe not Auckland.

The U11s played well all year and played Petersham in the Plate Final – well done! Zac Nicholls made the Randwick representative side and Darby Bates, Byron Yep-Brown, Troy Clark and Zac Nicholls have been selected to train with the Wicks Academy.

The U16s joined the ISA competition and travelled far and wide in search of a game, travelling as far as Bathurst and Orange a couple of times. The team played very well with several players invited to train with the Wicks Academy. Special thanks to coach Igor Goldberg for his huge effort in arranging games and transport.

Like all clubs sponsorship is extremely important and allows the club to buy player uniforms, provide training gear such as balls and tackle pads, train parents to be effective coaches and to provide an equity fund for low income families. We are particularly proud of the equity fund as it ensures that cost is not a barrier for local kids to participate in rugby. A big thank you goes to our sponsors Benny & The Pets, Eastern Suburbs Smash Repairs, TrophyLand and BH Ducting.

Last, but not least a big thank you goes to our committee and parents who have attended meetings, staffed barbecues, sold endless raffle tickets and more importantly bring their kids to training and games each week.

Looking forward to a bigger and better mighty Maroubra Missiles in 2015!!!

Joel Johnson Secretary



South Coogee Junior RUFC "Red Devils" Report



Firstly I would like to thank the South Coogee Committee. The support they have given the Club in making any event a success, not just on game days and canteen days, is a credit to their commitment to community activities.

A big thank you to the Coaches, Managers and helpers of all our teams from U6s to U12s inclusive, who this year made the whole experience for the new to the returning players and parents an enjoyable one.

This year we saw an increase in team numbers giving the Club, U6 x 1, U7 x1, U8 x 2, U9 x 2, U10 x 1, U11 x 1 and U12 x 2. Girl player numbers were also up in the younger ages which is exciting.

Under 6s – All new players this year with some very young players who looked great in their gear on the field and with so very entertaining moves, how so enjoyable it will be to see the development in the years to come.

Under 7s – Many new players who worked very well together developing the skills they need to make the jump to tackle next year.

Under 8s – "White" All new players enjoying a great first year of rugby, highly competitive.

Under 8s – "Red" Competitive enjoyable year making the progression into tackle well.

Under 9s – "Red" Another great season of highly competitive rugby will have no trouble in making (they can't wait) the jump from Minis to Juniors on the larger field next year.

Under 9s – "White" Also another great season of highly competitive rugby and looking forward to change next year.

Under 10s – Held their strong Minis form from last year and went through the season as Undefeated Premiers.

Under 11s - With no U10s last year it was great to have the old boys back with the new ones, worked really well together and are looking forward to next year.

Under 12s – "White" Last year's Premiers who found this year more challenging against new teams with players of faster developing size and attitude, were very competitive and more capable then their end result showed.



Under 12s – "Red" What great team spirit, looked unlikely to field a team but with great team management and younger players supporting rose to the challenge. Didn't win too many, had a few ambulance trips but returned and enjoyed themselves each game, also playing against teams with faster developing size and attitude. Low, a new player having his first Rugby game, injured his knee and required surgery; what an introduction!

Overall the 2015 season is looking to be a strong representation for the Club and with the real possibility of the extension to the Friday night competition to U13s the retention of this year's U12s is looking good as it will not affect any player also wanting to make the move to the Sunday competition with the Randwick Warriors.

The continuing increase cost in running a Club is something that will not ease and to find Sponsors for Junior Rugby is at times not easy. I would like, on behalf of myself and the South Coogee Red Devils community, to give a large and grateful "Thank You" to Marnie Seinor of McGrath Real Estate for her continued invaluable support and Freeda Jreige of Your Estate Agency who was approached this year to sponsor the Red Devils when an opportunity arose. Freeda who herself has no children playing Rugby, was so excited and appreciative to be given the opportunity to be involved in the Club. Freeda gave an instant commitment which shows the spirit and support that some of our local businesses have for their local community. Also "Thank You" to our associate sponsors Fawzi Jreige Finance and Mark McPherson of McGrath Real Estate. We are all very appreciative for what you all do.

To our Randwick Rugby Senior Club, "Thank You" for your continual invaluable support with financial sponsorship and resources for the Randwick Juniors, helping all the Village Clubs in the burden of running their operations. To the "Foundation", "Thank You" for your support to help keep the wheels turning. Your support is invaluable to all the Randwick Junior Rugby players.

David Shalhoub

President





Randwick Myrtle Green Warriors

In 2015 the Randwick Myrtle Green Warriors played in the Under 16 "A" Sunday competition finishing 4th on the table and were narrowly beaten by the unbeaten Western Raptors in an epic and dramatic semi-final that saw the boys play their best rugby of the season.

During the season, 32 young men pulled on the famous Randwick colours and the team played a great brand of running rugby that bought enjoyment both to players and spectators.

The team was made up of talented players from a vast array of schools and backgrounds, a characteristic of which I am very proud and of which I'm certain was the key to our success. Many of these lads will now have the opportunity to continue their Rugby careers with our great Club in the newly established under 18s colts competition

Special thanks go to our terrific manager Michelle Maconachie who was thrown many left-field challenges managing a chunky roster of 32 players in 2015.

All 32 boys made a significant contribution to our team in their own special way and I have no doubt this group will generate many future Rugby stars. Three of the team represented Sydney - Tyrone Taukomo, Chase Paea and Nic Shannon. Two of the team represented the Barbarians - Reece Macintosh and Harry Todd and ten of the team represented either Southern Zone or the Barbarians Zone team.

Our best back award went to Tyrone Taukomo, our best forward to Chase Paea and our most improved was Jacob Russell-Davidson.

Team: Guy Beynon, Zac Carr, Gus Chadwick, Charlie Crawford, Alex Galatidis, Isaac Gencher, Latham James, Logan Kendall, Kaspar Lever, Reece Macintosh, Michael Midson, Max Munro, Will Ng-Fawcett, Matt Overmeyer, Chase Paea, Jordan Paea, Aidan Pellegrini, Patrick Pellegrini, Christian Poidevin, Oliver Rich, Jacob Russell-Davidson, Tom Serhon, Nic Shannon, Liam Smith, Alex Spooner, Tyrone Taukamo (C), Harry Todd, Joe Vasilis, Austin Wem, Rhys Whenuaroa, Harrison White

Simon Poidevin (Coach)

Randwick Myrtle Green Warriors - President's Report

After nine months of lobbying by Randwick Juniors President, Jamie Johnson, the Randwick Myrtle Green Warriors were able to start recruiting players. Several junior clubs were not fielding teams so this club was formed as an alternate club to cater for boys aged 13 to 17.

Five weeks before the season commenced a committee was formed

- Patron Jon Collins
- President Jim Dubos
- Secretary Doug Eggins
- Treasurer Andrew Dyster

The club fielded three teams, Under 13, Under 14 and Under 16 in the Sunday Competition run by Sydney Junior Rugby Union.



The Under 16s were knocked out in the semifinals and the Under 13s went on to make the Grand Final only to go down to Wests who were given permission to play over age boys (Under 14) so they could field a side.

On behalf of the Club I would like to thank the following for coaching and managing the teams:

- Under 13s Scott Donaldson, Warren Howe and Warwick Waugh
- Under 14s Anne Clerk-Johnson, Rick Somerton and Hayden Pomare
- Under 16s Sharina Spooner, Michelle Maconachie and Simon Poidevin

On behalf of the Club I would like to thank our sponsors:

- Mark Mellick from Mellick Wealth Management
- Simon Paterson from Sun Life Products, and
- Jon Collins from the COCO Group

I thank Doug Eggins and Andrew Dyster for the ground work in setting up the club up at short notice.

Jim Dubos















President, Randwick Juniors Report

The year 2014 saw an amazing number of nearly 1,000 kids take to the fields in a variety of age groups and competitions. Randwick Juniors is extremely appreciative of the band of volunteers including Club Presidents, Committee members, Sponsors and even parents who man the BBQ, to ensure the kids get on the field each week. With the goal posts now down at Latham and Nagle Park below is a summary of a fantastic season of junior rugby:

Minis

The Randwick/Easts Minis was an outstanding success with nearly 600 U6 to U9 young players taking to the field each Saturday morning at Nagle Park. Embracing the spirit of pure grass roots rugby, our young chargers take part in a fantastic development program starting off with two handed tag in the U6/U7s through to the tackle, ruck and maul academy that is the U8s and U9s. With a sole focus on learning to safely play our game, having fun with your mates and enjoying a killer python and sausage sandwich at the end.

Minis is also a pathway program for our young boys to learn the rules of the game and develop as a referee in a non-competitive environment. Under the watchful eye of Junior Referees Co-ordinator Billy Hodgetts a host of boys took to the field with the whistle for the very first time ensuring we have the next generation of whistle blowers for our game.

Juniors

With the amalgamation of the Saturday competition, the SJRU Friday competition saw an influx of 'out-of-district' teams such as Balmain, Ryde and Petersham take to the fields every Friday night, really stretching our ground availability to the limit. The expanded competition provided some real positives such as the U10s being able to split into a graded competition and the boys getting to play different opposition each week.



In the U10s South Coogee overcame a gallant Clovelly side to take out the cup. In the U11s Clovelly powered to a convincing victory over Balmain, with Maroubra coming away with a plate runners up medal. In the U12s two real heavyweights in Ryde and Wests played an close and entertaining final, with Waratahs star player Brendan McKibbin awarding the cup to Canterbury. Coogee U12s added a Randwick flavour to the evening by taking out the plate final against Balmain

Sunday

With the establishment of the Randwick Myrtle Green Warriors, five teams took to the fields in the Sydney wide Sunday competition for U13 to U16 age groups. After standing up at the last minute, boys from all U12 village clubs came together to play in the U13s coached by local junior rugby legend Jim Dubos. With a team made up almost entirely of forwards, they put together a number of strong wins before falling to Wests in the final. Whilst the boys may have missed out on cup glory, the early sign is that nearly every player will come back in season 2015 which is a great result for club rugby in our district.

The U14s started strongly in the B Grade competition but were unable to keep the momentum going finishing 6th for the year.

The U15s showcased the real depth of talent in this age group with both Clovelly and Coogee making the semi-finals of the strong A Grade competition. Clovelly went on to make the Grand Final shooting out to a 19-nil lead before being run down by heavy favourites Hunters Hill.

The U16s under the guidance of former Wallaby Captain Simon Poidevin also had a strong season, making the finals in the A Grade competition before going down to Wests in a tight one. The boys now have the taste of playing in the famous Myrtle Green and with an U18 Colts competition being touted by SJRU, hopefully we can feed these talented boys into the seniors recruiting pipeline.

Representative

The Representative season got underway early in season 2014, with preseason trials taking place under the watchful eye of Jim Dubos and his team of dedicated coaches. The early start paid dividends at the June State Championships with the U11s and U12s performing strongly by making the semi-finals, and the U15s playing in an amazing fifth straight final before going down to Northern Suburbs. As standalone club teams, the U13, U14 and U16s were up against it when one compares the player pool available to larger districts, but in true Randwick style they never gave up and came away with some great victories over the weekend. The tradition and community spirit of 'Camp Wicks' was alive and well, with players and families really enjoying themselves at the various championship venues.

Academy

Now in its third year and the real bench mark for other districts, the Randwick Juniors development academy had close to 200 applications from U10 to U16 Players wanting to improve their fitness and skills over the offseason. With Coogee Beach set to be invaded by young Wicks in November, the real mark of the success for this development program is that we have already seen Academy members graduate to senior Colts. Through the hard work of the volunteer coaches, many of whom wore the Myrtle green as a player, this is something we aim to continue for many seasons to come.



That's Rugby season 2014; it is time to hit the beach until the World Cup season begins in 2015.

Up the Wicks!

Jamie Johnson

Junior Development Report

With rugby now going for twelve months of the year my year pans out as follows:

January

Preparation for the second term of the Randwick Rugby Academy (refer to the Randwick Rugby Academy Report in the Annual Report).

February

Academy resumes. Registration for the Myrtle Green Warriors - a new Club started to cater for players Under 13 to Under 17 (refer to the Randwick Myrtle Green Warriors Report in the Annual Report).

March

Registration for representative teams (the player is nominated to trial).

April

Prior to the first club round we staged representative trials which doubled as club trials.

May

More representative trials with the selected teams. Five weeks is allowed to order gear and train teams for the State Championships. The Junior Representative Lunch was held at Coogee Legion with 170 attending. Thanks go to Doug Eggins for all the lead up work in coordinating the numbers.

June

State Championships on the June long weekend. Randwick was represented in the Under 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 age groups. The U11 and U12s were defeated in the semifinals. The U15s qualified for their fifth straight final appearance only to go down to Norths. The U16s just missed out on the semifinals. The U13 and U14 teams are only single teams and did it a bit tough against the larger Districts.

July

We staged the Year 5 - 6 Ten-a-side tournament with 19 teams entering from 15 schools. The tournament was split into 4 divisions which meant 8 teams were lucky enough to play in finals. All schools which enter the tournament are offered pre-tournament training with 42 training sessions completed either before after or during school hours.



August

The Year 3 - 4 Ten-a-side tournament was washed out and re-scheduled in September. Owing to the re-scheduling of the tournament we lost a few teams when the new date clashed with previous engagements. 37 training sessions were conducted in the lead up to the tournament.

September

Nominations received for the Randwick Academy with over 200 boys applying with 150 players selected.

October

The U13 representative team went to the Gold Coast (The cost of the trip is funded by the Junior Lunch plus a couple of BBQs and raffle at Coogee Oval). The Academy Information Night was held at Coogee Bowling Club with the boys receiving their training gear and training booklet.

November

The Academy starts training. The Young Wicks are on a Monday, Junior Wicks are on a Wednesday and both Squads come together on Saturday mornings.

December

The Academy continues on with the Academy awards and BBQ scheduled for Saturday 20 December.

In no particular order I would like to thank:

- Jamie Johnson and the Randwick Junior Committee
- Village Club Presidents Michael McSweeney of Clovelly, Adam Diffin of Coogee, David Shaloub of South Coogee, Craig Standing of Maroubra.
- Doug Eggins and Andrew Dyster for getting the Randwick Myrtle Green Warriors up and running.
- The Randwick Rugby Representative Coaches and managers.
- The Randwick Rugby Academy Coaches.
- The Club coaches who give up their time to teach the next generation of players.
- The various sponsors who contribute to the Rep representative program and to the club teams.
- Wade Kelly for his assistance in getting the Academy up and running.
- Nick Ryan and Simon Poidevin for their help in securing and gaining access to the UNSW training facilities.

Last but not least thanks go to the parents who man the BBQ each week at Nagle Park.

Jim Dubos Randwick Rugby Development



Randwick Junior Rugby Academy

Towards the end of the 2012 season, coinciding with the appointment of Wade Kelly as first grade coach the Randwick Junior Academy was born. Wade has now moved on and Randwick Juniors thank Wade for his input in helping to set up the Academy.

A committee comprising Simon Poidevin, current Waratah Stephen Hoiles and Jim Dubos was formed. The committee's goals were:

- To put a structure in place to up-skill our junior village club players
- To improve our teams' performances
- To increase fitness levels for Academy members
- To have varied off field training sessions in order to teach squad members how to cross train

Owing to the success of the initial squad of Randwick Junior Academy of 80 players aged from 12 to 16 it was decided in the second year to create a second tier Academy, called the Young Wicks Academy for players aged 10 and 11.

The Young Wicks Academy played a large part in the success Randwick achieved in the U11 and U12 age groups in the State Championships with both teams qualifying for the semifinals.

Highlights of the Academy/Representative program included:

- U11 and U12 Randwick representative teams made the semifinals in the State Championships
- Randwick U15 Representative team made their fifth straight State final
- 13 players were selected in the southern zone team from the U15 with another 4 selected in the BaaBaas team
- 8 players from the U15 selected in the Sydney team
- 6 players from the U15 selected in the NSW U15 team
- 10 players from the U16 team selected in the southern zone team
- 3 U16 players selected in the Sydney team
- 3 U16 players selected in the BaaBaas team

Randwick Rugby is blessed to be able to call on the following coaches who between them have 500 years of rugby experience. They are dedicated coaches who through their enthusiasm have encouraged the Academy members to take their training to the next level:

Geoff James, Stu Donaldson, Rod Willey, Paul Cornish, Craig Bell, Lloyd Galpern, Simon Poidevin, Tony Greene, Adam Baker, Erich Fiala, Mark Gooley, Kevin Phibbs, Jeff Sayle, Simon Paterson and Jim Dubos

Specials thanks go to:

- Jamie Johnson and the Randwick Junior Committee and to the Village Club Presidents for their co-operation
- Doug Eggins for his support with the Academy and his work in organising the Junior Representative/Randwick Academy lunch



- Sponsors Mark Mellick from Mellick Wealth Management and Simon Paterson from Sun Life Products for their generous support
- To the Academy members for their dedication to training and to their parents for getting them to training on time.

Jim Dubos



Jim Dubos and Gus



Ryan Paterson



Ball girl and boy on duty at Coogee Oval





Michael Cheika – 2014 Junior Reps luncheon



Wade Kelly – 2014 Junior Reps luncheon



Jeffrey Sayle – 2014 Junior Reps luncheon





Dan Dowe and the Ball Boys and Girl



ABCTV interview with David Horwitz



ABCTV's Al Baxter with Matt Carraro



Singapore Sevens Report



The Randwick Sevens squad arrived in Singapore on Thursday afternoon 30 October 2014 to be greeted with the usual weather conditions and temperatures in the high 30s and 80% humidity.

We attended the Australian School and held a coaching class for some 30 plus school kids. Afterward we presented a Randwick Shield to Keiran Horth of Propex Singapore, one of our sponsors, as a memento of our visit.

Our first tournament game was on Friday evening in the Cup competition when we played a strong Swedish Vikings team. They have been attending this tournament for a number of years and are a very strong and physical side. However thanks to our fitness we managed to beat them 27-7 with Andrew Norton scoring 2 tries and Tom Connor 1 try, Mark Bannon 1 try and Aidan Anderson 1 try, with Andrew Norton converting one of the tries.

Our next game the following day was against the Casuarina Cougars who we managed to defeat 15-7 with Will Munro, Jack Pennington, and Harry Boileau scoring one try each. We were then up against the big guns playing Stade Francais. Unfortunately we lost this close game 10-7. The next game was against our old foe Sunnybank who we had already played in the Central Coast and other sevens competitions this year. We went down 17-5 with Mark Baldwin scoring our only try.

This dropped our team to the plate competition where we met East Arnhem in the quarter final. We defeated them 29-0. We were then drawn against Swedish Vikings again in the semifinal where we went down 17-5. Vikings went on to win this competition.

Throughout the tournament the team's behaviour was exemplary. They were popular with the crowd and we had a number of supporters including Paris and Jack Cockinos and also Will Munro's dad Scott and Harry Boileau's Dad Mark.



The competition is getting stronger each year and the teams that are entering are almost full time Sevens players. We were thanked by the SCC committee for our support of the tournament over the years.

My thanks to the coaching staff Jayson Brewer and Nathan McMahon and also to the magnificent Louisa McGinniss who was very supportive of the players and very professional. Where would we be without her?

The players and staff were unanimous in praising this tournament.

Allen Stutchbury Manager

Team:

Aidan Anderson, Mark Baldwin, Mark Bannon, Harry Boileau, Tom Connor, Josh Eden-Whaitiri, Tony Luxford, Will Munro, Andrew Norton, Jack Pennington, Nathan Roye, Haynes Wileman

Coach: Jayson Brewer Trainer: Nathan McMahon Manager: Allen Stutchbury

Physiotherapist: Louisa McGinniss

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