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President's Welcome

Well, it's almost here and it's going to be bigger than Ben Hur.

The reunion weekend has kicked off early with Snogga and Doylie coming down to training on Tuesday; several more are expected on Thursday night.

The dinner is looking huge with approximately 120 people attending. The golf day on the Friday is also gathering momentum and we are expecting a big turnout there. Remember the clubhouse will be open on Friday night with the BBQ going and Super Rugby on the big screen. On Sunday Cracker Night is also happening at the club house. Lastly, it would be great to see as many as we can get down at Saturday's game prior to the dinner, to see the boys play our old foes the Dragons in both A Grade and B Grade. I may just have to take the Monday off just to recover.

On taking some time off, the juniors are into their school holiday break and most sides are also taking a break from training. Enjoy your holidays and remember we need you back when school goes back!

Ben Blyton



Here for the reunion – Chris Marlow from Qld catching up with Bernie and Dennis.

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FRIDAY No games – school holidays

SATURDAY Under 18 – no games as C'Ships are on

B Grade – 2:30 at Rugby Park A Grade – 4:00 at Rugby Park



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A Grade

Team	Р	w	D	L	Points
Casuarina	10	10	0	0	45
Souths	10	6	0	4	31
Dragons	9	4	0	5	20
University	10	3	0	7	16
Palmerston	9	1	0	8	6

B Grade

Team	Р	w	D	L	Points
Casuarina	12	9	0	3	44
Souths	12	9	0	3	41
University	12	6	0	6	30
Swampdogs	12	6	0	6	29
Palmerston	12	4	0	8	24
Dragons	12	4	1	7	20
Jabiru	6	0	1	5	2

Under 18's

Team	Р	W	D	L	Points
Swampdogs	10	9	0	1	43
Casuarina	10	6	0	4	31
University	10	5	0	5	25
Palmerston	10	2	0	8	13
Dragons	4	0	0	4	0

THANKYOU

A big thankyou to Ayden Whitehouse and Jacob and Connor Blyton who have been helping out with running the water and tees at several of our senior games.

Around The Grounds



A Grade – A Grade had a bye

B Grade -Palmerston 30 Swampdogs 14

Update from acting coach Ben Blyton

The B grade this week saw us take on Swampdogs in an important game with a loss possibly ending our finals hopes for the season. Unfortunately Coach Squirter was missing – he needed to go for a swim in Bali or something. Fortunately, numbers were good and most of the players actually got there on time. We also had an overseas import amongst us with Michael Killiner back from Singapore for the 35th reunion.

Anyway, back to the game - we elected to run with the wind in the first half and although we were playing okay we were disjointed in attack and were let down by turnovers. At times we were just too slow to get to the rucks and mauls and we allowed Litchfield to drive us off the ball (I could say that this can all be fixed at training, but you may have already heard this before). Tries to Charlie Chambers and Anthony Smith with a penalty to Brad Hogan saw us take a 13 to 7 lead at half time.

Running into the wind in the second half saw us play with a much better structure, and the pace of our game picked up. Brock converted his own try which was followed by a try to Toby Wass, seeing us increase the lead to 25 – 7. At this stage with about 20 minutes to go, we let Litchfield back into the game. Missed tackles were now hurting us and eventually Litchfield scored. Score was now 25-14 and I thought we might have put the cue in the rack to soon, but the boys stuck it out, taking the wind out of Litchfield's sails and another try to Greg Jarvis saw the game in the bag (enough clichés for one article).

Tries - Charlie Chambers, Toby Wass, Anthony Smith, Brock Evans, Greg Jarvis; **Conversion** - Brock Evans; Penalty - Brad Hogan; **Players' Player** - Singapore import Michael Killiner

Under 18's - University 39 Palmerston 22

Tries - Gary Keppel (3), Scott McDinny (1); **Conversion** - W Bohning (1)









B GRADE v SWAMPDOGS







Photos supplied by F Austine



THE JUNIORS

Under 6's – update from Ben Blyton

With the regular coach (Ricky) being unwell I was asked if I could take the under 6's for the grudge match against Casuarina. Knowing only a few of the kids' names, I will not attempt to tell you who played well and who scored which try, but I will say that the kids were excellent, they looked like they enjoyed the rugby and listen to me on the field. So a big thank you to Ricky for the excellent work he is doing and also a big thank you to the parents who come down and give excellent support and encouragement to your children.

Under 8's

Another enthusiastic game by our mighty Under 8's, who always have a lot of fun regardless of the final score.

Under 10's - Palmerston 31 Dragons 21

Tries - J Humphreys (2), S Deo (1), K O'Connor (1), J Blyton (1); Conversions - R Reid (3); Penalty - J Blyton (1)

Under 12's – Dragons 102 Palmerston 0

Under 14's – Palmerston 77 Dragons 0

Tries - K. Quakawoot (7), E Simpson (2), M Norris (2), T Brown (1), M Cubillo (1); Conversions - T Brown (4); Penalties - E Simpson (2)

Under 16's - Palmerston 25 Dragons 7

Tries - J Boyd (2), J Harris (1), T Keppel (1); Conversion - B Hakes (1); Penalty - W Bohning (1)

JUNIORS TRAINING OVER THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

The following teams will have a break over the holidays:

Under 6's – back at training Thursday 26th July

Under 8's & Under 12's – back at training Tuesday 24th July

The following teams are training right through the break: Under 10's, Under 14's, Under 16's

See your coaches if you any questions about the above.





Noticeboard

SENIOR SUBS

Senior subs are now due. **\$190** includes playing kit and insurance. Payment required so that your insurance is paid!



Our second Fireworks Raffle is now on sale and will be drawn on the 30th June. Tickets \$5.00. 1st prize \$200 worth of fireworks, 2nd prize \$50 worth of fireworks.

CRACKER NIGHT AT THE CLUBHOUSE

Sunday 1st July from 6.00pm. Club will be open for drinks, sausage and steak sandwiches.

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Sunday 8th July. Roster is on the notice board at the clubhouse. 4 x 2 hour shifts. A great fundraiser for the club.

ROYAL DARWIN SHOW CLEANUP

From Thursday 26th July to Sunday morning 29th July. See Dennis, Robbie or Ben for details.



See **Dennis Grant** for tickets.

Other news...

NT UNDER 18'S

The NT Under 18 side will be travelling to Sydney next week for the 2012 National Championships. Congratulations to the following Palmerston players who have made the side: Ryan Cotton, Gary Keppel, Scott McDinny, Cody McFarlane and Taurian Ambrum. Well done!

QUEENSLAND SCHOOLBOYS 2

Congratulations also to Jack Payne, who has recently made the Queensland Schoolboys 2 side. Jack's Dad Steve (pictured below) played for Palmerston for many years in the '90s and was also Club President for a number of years.





www.facebook.com/PalmerstonRugbyUnionClub

We're starting to update our facebook page! Be sure to check it after our 35th reunion - we'll be adding photos of the night, as well as lots of photos from the archives (many of which you'll be seeing in our 35th slideshow).

ROYAL DARWIN SHOW CLEAN UP

See a Clean Up Co-ordinator to book your shift:

• Seniors: Dennis Grant – 0437 912 140

Juniors: Robbie Taylor – 0419 857 286
Juniors: Ben Blyton – 0417 082 531





FRIDAY, 29th June 2012

Players Golf Day: Palmerston Golf Course, starting at 2:00pm, cost \$50.00 per person includes fees, beer and dinner to be paid on the day, Super Rugby on the big screen at the PRUC clubhouse starting from 6:00pm. Please contact Brock Evans on 0408 969 200 before the day to confirm.

SATURDAY, 30th June 2012

35th **Anniversary Celebration Dinner:** 7:00pm @ Crowne Plaza Ballroom, includes 2 course meal with dessert, Hall of Fame induction, lucky door prize, music, history, unlimited beer, wine, basic spirits and soft drinks from 7:30pm to 11:30pm.

Fiona Austine Alan Babbs

Gail Barlow & Warren Greenup

Jake Barlow

Michael & Cecilia Barnard(Qld)

Jeff Hellfire Bennett (Qld) Jason & Bryony Blake Ben & Selina Blyton

Cecily & Rod Boulton Bernie & Sonya Bree Dan & Evey Bree

Dennis & Cec Bree

Noel Bree

Paddy Bree (Qld)

Tony & Vicky Burns (Qld)

Matt Cabot Chris Carlin Charlie Chambers Greg Cottrell (Qld) Andrew Cox (SA)

Tom Cummins & Jessica Young

Tim & Sharon Curran

Paul Dale Merv Daniels Jaz & Robyn Deo Graham Doyle Ben Emmett (NSW) Brock Evans & Dale
Dallas Graetz

Adrian Graham & Dennis Grant

Peter & Julie Hakes

Gary Harper

Todd & Nichole Harrison (WA)

John Herbert & Nadine Vine

Greg & Roma Hill Ricky & Kim Hoe Mal Hodgert Tommy Hurse Greg Jarvis Sam Jeffries

Ben Johnson

Denny & Zaydah Johnston Ned Kelly & Pauline Wyles-Kelly

Vince & Andrea Kelly

Glen & Jo Kennedy (from NZ) Michael Killiner (Singapore)

Sean Killiner Ratu Koriotamana Shane Lawrence Craig & Mel Leach Wendy & Mal Leach

Dave & Sharmay Ley

Roger Lynch

Chris Marlow (Qld)

Glen McPhee

Martin & Lavinia Mills

Percy & Joanne Peel Gavin Pocock & Wendy

Tralaggan

James Protherough Stephen Roberts (NSW)

Garry & Marcia Russell

Ben Sage

Trevor Saunders Rob & Ann Sloan

Brendan & Bridget Sly

Anthony Smith Kerry & Sue Smith Mick Smith (Qld)

Colin & Alison Snowden (Gove)

John Sullivan (Qld) Alec Watson (Qld) Simon Weekly

Craig & Rachel Wenck Rod Williams & Julie White Mike & Coral Wilson (Qld) Alan & Michelle Woodcock

Jye Wyles-Kelly



35th Anniversary

STORIES FROM THE ARCHIVES: PAST EDITIONS OF CROC TALES

With people travelling from far and wide to attend our 35th anniversary dinner, here are some extracts of articles from old editions of Croc Tales of past players who will here on the night:

CROC TALES EDITION 19/2005 14/7/05

More tales and true from the Brisbane Reunion.



And a contribution from Al Watson. Not only did the Frock of Shame make the Caxton it also made the Normanby and it probably would have gone else where but a lack of drinking partners put an early end (2.00 am) to the Frock's tour of Brisbane's night spots. It also mean's my promotional tour of Brisbane night spots promoting the Palmerston Rugby Club had to be shelved.

CROC TALES EDITION 5/2006 30/3/06



Killiner family affair

The B grade game was also a family affair. With Michael Killiner making his senior debut, Dad Sean 'Boulder' Killiner, has been motivated to go around for at least one more season. If that wasn't enough they combined for the try of the season so far.

CROC TALES EDITION 5/2006 30/3/06



Croc Jottings

And the final debut for this week goes to young Patrick Emmett. Patrick was determined to not miss seeing his Dad, Ben Emmett, in action in the A Grade so he made sure Mum, Fiona, packed everything he could need

and along they came.

CROC TALES EDITION 27/2006 31/8/06





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