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President's Welcome

A good week on the field this week with B Grade, Under 18's, Under 16's, Under 14's and Under 8's all having wins. B Grade are now 3rd on the ladder and probably need to win just one more game to ensure their finals spot, Under 18's have already qualified for their finals series, Under 16's with their win have secured the minor premiership and the Under 14's need one more win for them to secure the minor premiership. Unfortunately A Grade is out of the running and it also looks like the Under 12's will miss out. The Under 6's, 8's and 10's play up till Grand Final day and do not contest a final series.

Even though the rugby is fast coming to an end there are several important dates to look forward. Refer to page 5 for details

Senior players' surveys are being handed out this week. Please take the time to fill them in and return them either to your manager, to the survey box in the clubhouse or by email. Your comments will help greatly in planning for next year.

And lastly, the elephant in the room at every rugby club – your subs. Several players have outstanding debts to the club, you know who you are, we know who you are, please see either myself or Dennis Grant at the bar to arrange payments.

Ben Blyton



Under 18's

What's on this weekend...

FRIDAY

Under 6's – Under 16's at Rugby Park
(U8's v Souths, U10's to U16's v University)

SATURDAY

Under 18's v University, 2:30pm at Rugby Park
B Grade v Casuarina, 5.30 at Rugby Park
A Grade v Casuarina, 7pm at Rugby Park



NTRU LADDERS

A Grade

| Team | P | W | D | L | Points |
|------------|----|----|---|----|--------|
| Casuarina | 14 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 64 |
| Souths | 15 | 10 | 0 | 5 | 52 |
| Dragons | 14 | 6 | 0 | 8 | 28 |
| University | 15 | 4 | 0 | 11 | 22 |
| Palmerston | 14 | 2 | 0 | 12 | 10 |

B Grade

| Team | P | W | D | L | Points |
|------------|----|----|---|----|--------|
| Souths | 18 | 15 | 0 | 3 | 67 |
| Casuarina | 18 | 13 | 0 | 5 | 65 |
| Palmerston | 18 | 6 | 0 | 12 | 37 |
| Swampdogs | 18 | 7 | 0 | 11 | 36 |
| University | 18 | 8 | 0 | 10 | 35 |
| Dragons | 18 | 7 | 1 | 10 | 30 |

Under 18's

| Team | P | W | D | L | Points |
|------------|----|----|---|----|--------|
| Swampdogs | 15 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 65 |
| Casuarina | 15 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 47 |
| University | 15 | 5 | 1 | 9 | 27 |
| Palmerston | 15 | 4 | 1 | 10 | 26 |

FOR SENIOR PLAYERS

Thursday 16th August
 Last training night before
 the finals - **function at**
the clubhouse – cheap
 drinks, Spaghetti
 Bolognese for dinner and
 a Guest Speaker.

Senior photos supplied by F Austine

Around The Grounds



A Grade – Dragons 19 Palmerston 7

Try – Ben Onions 1; **Conversion** – Brad Hogan 1



B Grade – Palmerston 24 Dragons 5

Tries - Paul Devir 2, Matt Solis 1, Nick Skinnon 1; **Conversions** - Alex Davidson 2; **Players Player** - Paul Devir



Under 18's – Palmerston 29 Casuarina 24

Tries - Ryan Cotton 2, T Ambrum 1, Scott McDinny 1, Gary Keppel 1;
Conversions - W Bohning 2



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FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS



There is a
Family Fun Day
 being held at the
 clubhouse this
Sunday 12th August,
 starting at **10am.**

All are welcome!

We'll have a
jumping castle and
water slide and
 there will be plenty
 of **games and fun** to
 be had.

We will also have
rugby skills
 sessions, just to
 keep the rugby
 element involved!

Free for all kids.

**We look forward to
 seeing you there!**



THE JUNIORS

Update from Junior Coordinator Robbie Taylor

Last weekend saw the Juniors return to Friday night rugby. It was a bit of a mixed bag regarding results, but the main thing was everyone in a Crocs jersey had fun.

Under 6's - *Update from Under 6 coach Ricky Hoe*

After the long break it was great to get back into the rhythm this week, heading into the home stretch of the season. With our daughter Lilly in hospital with a bone infection, I rang headquarters and said I possibly would not be able to coach the first week back. I did manage to get down on Thursday though and walking over the hill, I was taken aback by the sight I saw... Kelvin had made the switch from parent to coach, Julie our manager was in full stride and Bryony was ready to help... Great to see such support in our club! In the game on Friday we dusted off the cobwebs against a mixed side of Rabbits et al. Carly showed off a good step along with Speedy Gonzales, and Isaac scored from a kick off. We also used our signature cross cross move to put Bradley over the line for one of his two tries. Hamish scored a sneaky try for the other side and Ollie tackled well all game. Motorbike and jet plane races capped off a good night for all!

Under 8's

The Under 8's played against Swampdogs Blue. Unfortunately I don't have full details; but we have some photos on the next page!

Under 10's - *Casuarina 36 Palmerston 14*

The Under 10's took on Casuarina, but went down 36 - 14. The boys seemed a little rusty at times, but the best thing for these boys is there is always next week to try and bounce back.

Tries - Kenny O'Connor 1, Josh McVee 1; **Conversions** - Riley Reid 2; **Special Mentions** - Jayden Humphreys, Zeb Hantelmann, Josh McVee

Under 12's - *Casuarina 25 Palmerston 19*

With Corey Heywood stepping aside for the remainder of the season, Paul Theyers and Ryan Cotton took over the coaching reins to finish the season. The enthusiastic Under 12's used the ball well and made good decisions at the right times. All this said, we just

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UNDER 8'S IN ACTION



Talking tactics at ½ time



Another try scored



The reserve bench



Celebrating after the game

couldn't close the game out. We led 19 - 15 with 5 minutes to go but Casuarina scored 2 late tries to take the game 25 - 19.

Tries - Wayne Bilston 2, Cory McVee 1; **Conversions** - Mitchell Theyers 2; **Special Mentions** - Mitchell Theyers, Wayne Bilston, Cale Anderson

Under 14's – Palmerston 57 Casuarina 7

This game was talked up to be the game of the round in the junior competition according to the NTRU Facebook page. I would have agreed with them. But our Under 14's played a clinical game where mistakes were few and tries were plenty. All the boys played with the right attitude and stuck to their game plan. The end result saw us come away with a 57 - 7 win over Casuarina. Well done boys!

Tries - Keegan Quakawoot 6, Elijah Simpson 1, Kosta Kachionis 1, Liam Bilston 1; **Conversions** - Isaako Teuati 3, Keegan Quakawoot 2, Elijah Simpson 1; **Special Mentions** - Keegan Quakawoot, Brodie McMahon, Isaako Teuati

Under 16's – Palmerston won on a forfeit from Casuarina

The biggest disappointment last Friday night was Casuarina forfeiting with only a couple of hours notice. But with 25 guys turning up for a run, we played an intra club game with Robbie Taylor refereeing. All the boys put in a great effort. With the forfeit, the Palmerston Under 16's will finish as the Minor Premiers in their grade for 2012. Congratulations boys and great work to everyone involved in the team and its success.

→ A reminder that any player who hasn't paid their **full subs** by the first week of the finals, will be unable to play.

→ We are looking for a **Junior Co-ordinator** and **Junior Registrar** for the 2013 season. We will also be calling for expressions of interest for **Junior Coaches and Managers** soon. We would welcome your involvement in our successful junior program, and we encourage you to put your name forward if you are interested in taking on any of these roles.

→ Lastly, there is a **Junior Survey** circulating at the moment. We ask that all parents fill one out and hand it back to either Robbie Taylor or Ben Blyton, or drop it off at the bar on Tuesdays or Thursdays. This is your chance to have a say on what direction the club will be heading in next season and seasons to come.

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WEEKEND ACTION CONTINUED



A Grade



B Grade



Under 18's

Senior photos supplied by F Austine

End of season events...

FOR YOUR CALENDAR



Family Fun Day

- **WHEN** Sunday 12 August
- **WHERE** Moulden Oval
- **TIME** Starting at 10.00am
- **DETAILS** All welcome. We'll have a jumping castle, water slide and plenty of games and fun. We will also do a few skills sessions just to keep the rugby element involved. Free for all kids.



Junior Presentation Day (Under 6's – Under 16's)

- **WHO** Under 6's through to Under 16's
- **WHEN** Sunday 9 September
- **WHERE** Palmerston Water Park
- **TIME** 9.00am, with presentations starting at 10.00am
- **DETAILS** Participation awards for all financial players - be sure to be a part of the last Junior event for the season! A BBQ will be supplied.



Senior Presentation Night

- **WHEN** Saturday 15 September
- **WHERE** The Clubhouse
- **DETAILS** As a conclusion to our 35th Anniversary year, our Presentation Night will have a '70s theme, so start thinking about your 70s outfit!



Annual General Meeting

- **WHEN** Sunday 28 October
- **WHERE** The Clubhouse

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Noticeboard

SENIOR SUBS

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

NTRU DATES FOR THE DIARY

22 - 23 September

NT Country Rugby Union Carnival

Saturday 25 August

NTRU Presentation and Junior Fundraising Evening, see flyer ➤

CAMPER TRAILER RAFFLE



Win a camper trailer for a week! Tickets are \$2 each, available at the bar. Prize kindly donated by club sponsor *Outback & Beyond Camper Trailer Hire*.



MONSTER RAFFLE

See **Dennis Grant** for tickets.

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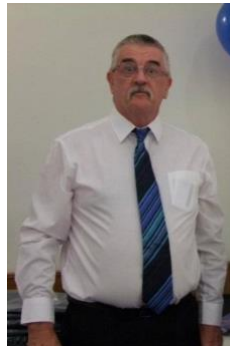
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Other news...

CONGRATULATIONS DENNIS

The club is proud to announce that our 2012 nomination for **Volunteer of the Year** is the Grumpy Bar Man '**Dennis Grant**'.



Dennis, as you know, mans the bar every Tuesday and Thursday as well as at home games. What you may not know is the work that Dennis does behind the scenes. He is on the committee and is one of our chief fundraisers through his work in coordinating the Bunnings Sausage Sizzles and the Darwin Show Clean Up. He is also largely responsible for keeping the club house looking so neat and tidy.

As our club nominee for Volunteer of the Year, Dennis will attend the NTRU Presentation Night later this month. The NTRU Volunteer will be announced on the night, with the winner awarded a trip to Sydney to attend the John Eales Dinner. **Good luck Dennis!**



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Celebrating 35 Years

HALL OF FAME

Tony Morris

Tony Morris joined Palmerston Rugby Union Club in 1985. He played No 8 and captained the A grade side for a number of years. He won A Grade Best and Fairest in 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1988-89. Tony also represented the NT on numerous occasions.

Tony's leadership and dedication was an inspiration for a generation of players who followed him.

Tony was unable to attend to our 35th Reunion Dinner. However he is well remembered by all who knew him as one of the toughest rugby players to have ever played in the Territory.

Tony Morris

Welcome to the Palmerston Rugby Union Club Hall of Fame



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STORIES FROM THE ARCHIVES – CROC TALES EDITION 29/2007 * 30th AUGUST 2007

2007 B Grade Premiers Squad



Back: Michael Killiner, Dave Cairns, Shane Cotton, Gareth Felton, Anthony Thomas, Ben Blyton, Tom Grieve, Kyle Davies, Nick Slater, Sean Killiner (Coach)

Middle: Fiona Austine (Manager), Cat Waite (Physio), Keven Jones, Gareth Cotter, Damian O'Brien, Bronson Mitchell, Ashley Killiner (Water Girl), Cate Killiner (Manager)

Front: Dale Reid, Steve Miller, Chris Carlin, Brett Lenz, Dennis Bree, Marshall Rogers, Brad Naylor, Tom Cummins, Dan Bree, Jacob Blyton (Tee boy)

B v Dragons

Palmerston 28 d Dragons 18

Coach Killiner reports:

*'It was the big one and we were up against Minor Premiers Dragons who comfortably beat us 20-5 in the major semi. This was our chance to turn the tables on that loss and avenge ourselves for last year's grand final loss but more importantly add a premiership to the Palmy trophy cabinet. There were a number of players backing up from last year's loss including **Burly Ben** last year's coach playing second row and **Michael Killiner** last year's captain as open side flanker.*

Our plan was to win the toss and run against the breeze in the first half. With Dragons

*having all the early play and Palmy on the back foot we gave away 3 penalties in the first 4 minutes, one which gave Dragons an early 3-0 lead. The guys needed to lift or it could have turned into a long day at the office. **We had a solid game plan and everyone needed to stick to it.***

*Our first trip into enemy territory saw the forwards mustering the pick and go effectively and this forward dominance eventuated in a try to **Gareth 'Shrek' Felton**. The first half was a real arm wrestle, Dragons with the wind and employing a kick for territory plan ready to pounce on any mistake, and Palmy trying to make yards through the forwards and then work it wide to use the pace and skill of **Keven Jones** and **Bronson 'Mitch' Mitchell** out wide. At 13 all at half time the game was well balanced.*

With both teams eager to assert early dominance in the second half and look for an edge that may tip the scales in

*their favour, it was Palmy that got the break. Another try to **Shrek** and we had our noses in front. We began to dominate in all facets of play and then the unthinkable happened – another try to **Shrek**. **A HAT TRICK to a TIGHTHEAD PROP in a GRAND FINAL.***

It was a great win and one everyone should be proud of.

*I would like to thank everyone involved on the day and those that have helped out throughout the season. A special thank you to **Fiona and Cate** the senior managers who go above and beyond the call of duty to make the coach's life much easier on game day and also to **Cat** for all her work of the medical kind. Also, to **Rob Sloan** for taking care of the 'paperwork', **Ash** for running the kicking tee and an **extra special thank you to the supporters** for your unrelenting encouragement each week. **Congratulations and well***

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