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## President's Welcome

Well, it is almost over for another season; the seniors are done and dusted and the juniors have played their last games for the season and just have their Presentation Night to go.

The Junior Presentation is on tomorrow night and it's shaping up to be a great night. We've had a huge response from families and it's terrific to see the level of support for our junior players and their teams. We hope you all enjoy the evening.

We'll wrap up the 2013 season in the next (and final) edition of Croc Tales. In the meantime, I would like to say thank you to all that have helped and contributed to our club during the year. We have had some successes and some things have not worked out as well as we would have liked, but as usual we have just got on with the job and did what has needed to be done. Club spirit is strong and again we had over 100 volunteers throughout the year supporting and assisting in an endless variety of ways.

On that note, on Saturday 24 August we'll be opening the clubhouse for all to farewell the season. The second Bledisloe Test will be on the big screen, it will be happy hour prices at the bar and no doubt someone will fire up the bbq. So mark the date on the calendar and come down and say goodbye to season 2013. We'll send out a flyer shortly.

**Ben Blyton, President**

## JUNIOR PRESENTATION NIGHT

- **6.15pm sharp** - presentations for the U6s, U8s and U10s
- **7.15pm approx.** - presentations for the U12s, U14s, U16s and first serving of dinner (for U6s, U8s and U10s families)
- **8.15pm approx.** - second serving of dinner for the rest!

## Coming up...

**Saturday 24 August**  
**Farewell Season 2013**

## ROUND 16 PHOTOS

## UNDER 6s



## UNDER 8s



## Around the Grounds



## THE JUNIORS



## ROUND 16 RESULTS – 1 AUGUST 2013

**Under 6 Palmerston 45 Casuarina 20**

**Tries:** L Muller 4, J Howe 2, E McKenzie 1, E LeMesurier 1, L Read 1

*Update by Bryony Bree (manager)*

This week saw some great tries, kicks and tackles. Levi ducked and weaved his way through to get 4 tries, and Jackson watched the play and got over the line twice. Our two mates from the Swampdogs, Ethan and Lachlan, got a try each, as well as our very own Ethan McKenzie.

**Under 8 Palmerston 50 Swampdogs 45**

**Tries:** O Muller 3, B Priore-Smith 2, C Blyton 2, C Brady 1, A McFarlane 1, I Mosedale 1

**Under 10 University 72 Palmerston 0**

*Update by Ben Blyton (coach)*

Rugby's an interesting game in the Under 10s age group. Our last game of the season saw us lose 72 nil against University, but the general comments from the parents and spectators on the sidelines that this was one of our best games of the season. As usual our players never gave up and all tried hard and played to the best of their abilities, which is something that they do each week. It was also great to see the contribution of some of our quieter players, tackling, running and generally making a difference. We have made considerable improvements to our individual skills, in particular our passing, tackling and running. The trick for next year will be to improve the teamwork aspects of the game. Thank you Under 10s for giving it your best shot and thanks to the parents who got them to the games and training each week.



The Under 10s in an earlier game against Uni.

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## ROUND 16 PHOTOS

## UNDER 12s



## UNDER 14s



## UNDER 16s

**Under 12 Dragons 14 Palmerston 10**

**Tries:** J Blyton 1, A Holt 1

*Update by Wayne Smith (coach)*

Well what a season!! Unfortunately we lost to Dragons on semi-final night. The boys and girl played a spectacular game, never giving up right until the final whistle. What more could be asked from a team? We were unfortunate to not capitalise on a few opportunities right on the Dragons try line.

All I can say is that from a coach's perspective, I could not have asked for a more dedicated, hardworking team. We always had a full house at training and during the school holidays. You made training a pleasure and a real enjoyment for all. It was such a pleasure to see everyone gel and support each other right from the start of the season. I have learnt a lot from you all and I trust that the mighty Under 12's all return next year. Once again thank you to the best Under 12's team and also to the parents for their dedication and support during the season. See you all at Presentation Night.

**Under 14 Souths 40 Palmerston 0****Under 16 Swampdogs 25 Palmerston 12**

**Tries:** I Teauti, K Kachionis; Conversion I Teuati

**JUNIOR 'GRAND FINAL' NIGHT – 9 AUGUST 2013**

Under 6s



Under 8s

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## ROUND 17 PHOTOS

## UNDER 6s



## UNDER 8s



## NTRU JUNIOR PRESENTATION



## THE JUNIORS

## ROUND 17 RESULTS – 9 AUGUST 2013

**Under 6** Palmerston 50 Casuarina 25

**Tries:** L Muller 5, E McKenzie 3, J Howe 1, L Read 1

*Update by Bryony Bree (manager)*

Well, what an exciting game to finish the season. Levi once again had an impressive game with 5 tries, Ethan McKenzie had some great runs to get 3 tries, and Jackson and Lachlan both scored a try each. Jordan had a great game, getting very close to crossing the line, but the excitement took over and the ball was lost, but he still had a great smile on his face, which sums up what the game is all about - having fun!

So to all the mums and dads, and extended families, thank you for your support and hopefully we'll see you back for next year for another season. And to our coaches Georgia and Larissa, and Assistant Coach Monique, thank you for your patience and dedication over the season, your efforts were greatly appreciated.

**Under 8** Souths 45 Palmerston 40

**Tries:** C Blyton 2, M Terupo 2, J Davis 1, A McFarlane 1, O Muller 1, B Priore-Smith 1 (+ playing for Souths: G Blackman 1, T Hobbs 1)

*Update by Glen Brady (coach)*

Well that's all folks!! After many weeks of strong performances, improvement and all-round fun the season has come to a close. I would like to thank the Under 8s players, parents and especially our team manager Melanie for all of the work on the side lines.

As a team we have all improved weekly which is very rewarding for all involved. Your commitment and hard work has resulted in a great team culture with everyone developing new skills and a sense of achievement. Keep practicing these skills over the break and for those going into under 10 next year, good luck. Well done Under 8s, it's been an enjoyable season.

*(Photos supplied by Fiona Austine, Evey Temple-Bree and Selina Blyton)*

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U16s



U14s



U12s



U10s



U8s



U6s

## Junior News

### 2013 PALMERSTON 7s

Exciting news for the juniors and for growing the game of rugby in Palmerston...

This year the club will be running its own 7s tournament for the juniors in term 4. The tournament will be aimed at the Under 8 to Under 16 teams and will run for between 6 to 8 weeks out here in Palmerston. It is hoped that we will be able to attract at least 3 sevens teams in each age group, which will give each team at least two games a week.

Stay tuned for more details as we finalise this event!



## 2013 Palmerston 7s

Wondering what sport to play in term 4?

Could do with some great **off-season fitness training** and **skill-development**?

Would like to catch up with your **rugby team mates**?

**Well this year you can!**

In term 4, Palmerston Rugby Union Club will be holding a **Junior 7s Tournament** at Moulden Oval.

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## NTRU JUNIOR COACH OF THE YEAR



Glen Brady

## ERIC JOHNSTON MEDAL RUNNER UP



Rhys Hitchcock

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## Club News

### NTRU JUNIOR COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD

Congratulations to **Under 8 coach Glen Brady**, who was awarded the NTRU Junior Coach of the Year award at the NTRU Junior Presentations last Friday night. Although in his first year of coaching rugby, Glen has taken to coaching with enthusiasm. Brian Anderson, NTRU Junior Coordinator, had this to say:

*Glen was recognised for delivering the complete skill set of stage one of the ARU Junior Pathway to Palmerston's Under 8 Walla Rugby Team. The players learned to catch and pass in general play, learned the constraints of a field of play and had an acute awareness of offside/onside and fair play. The playing group developed during the course of the season to a level whereby Glen was able to coach in a non-obtrusive position from the side-line.*

Glen's award makes it two in a row for Palmerston: in 2012 **Anthony Smith** (current Under 16 coach) won the award for his coaching of last year's Under 14s.

### ERIC JOHNSTON MEDAL – NTRU BEST & FAIREST AWARD

Congratulations to **A Grade player Rhys Hitchcock** who finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the NTRU Eric Johnston Medal / Best and Fairest Award that was announced at the recently held NTRU Eric Johnson Presentation and Annual Fundraising Dinner. Rhys made a huge contribution to our A Grade side this year and it was great to see his strong and consistent play be recognised with this achievement.

### SUPER 15s FINAL AND BLEDISLOE CUP

Congratulations to **Tawera 'Narada' Kerr-Barlow** for his starring role in the Chiefs win over the Brumbies in the Super 15 final last Saturday night. Narada has also been picked as one of three halfbacks in the All Black squad for the upcoming Rugby Championships.

Although it will not be known until Thursday if he will be playing against Australia in Saturday night's Bledisloe, his mum Gail is flying down to Sydney hoping to see him add to his existing 4 tests and play his first test against Australia and in Australia.

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**CONGRATULATIONS!**





## Noticeboard

### CORPORATE SEVENS UNDER 18S / SENIORS

Training for the Corporate Sevens is underway. If you are interested in participating, please contact Anthony Smith (Under 18s) or Josh Parker (seniors), or get in touch with the club and either Anthony or Josh will get back to you.

### NT UNDER 16S

A reminder that the date for the trial game for the NT Under 16s is this Sunday 18 August, from 4pm till 6pm at Rugby Park, Marrara.

### SENIOR SCHOOLS SEVENS TOURNAMENT

As mentioned in Croc Tales last week, the NTRU will be holding a Seniors Schools Sevens Tournament on Wednesday 4 September:

**SENIOR SCHOOLS SEVENS TOURNAMENT**  
WEDNESDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2013

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**ROAD TO RIO**  
The OLYMPICS START HERE !!!!

Your school needs to enter the following teams;

- Boy Senior School Team (years 10-12)
- Girls Senior School Team (years 10-12)

Winning two teams will travel to the Gold Coast to compete in the National School Sevens in October in conjunction with the IRB sevens

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## NTRU News



### NT UNDER 14s

Damien Tyson, Rugby Development Manager for the NTRU has forwarded the following information for all interested Under 14 players:

#### SELECTION PROCESS FOR U14'S MALAYSIAN TOUR

*As all clubs are aware, the U14's NT team will be traveling to Malaysia for a 7 day tour in November. It's a very exciting time for the NTRU as this year's 13-14 age group are a very talented group of players. Over the course of the last few weeks I have been watching all teams play and getting a good look at all players. I like what I see.*

#### Tour dates:

- Departure 6.30am Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November
- Arrival home 4.30am Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November

#### Other details:

- Games in KL and Ipoh.
- 30 men squad announced on NTRU Facebook page 31<sup>st</sup> August. All presidents informed 24 hours prior.
- Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September first training session.
- 2 sessions a week, Mondays and Wednesdays.
- 1<sup>st</sup> October to 6<sup>th</sup> October no training (I am in Alice Springs for work).
- Training restarts 9<sup>th</sup> October (Wednesday).
- Approximate cost will be \$950.
- Full details of trip to be announced on the first day of training.

Damien Tyson

Rugby Development Manager, NTRU



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