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#### This Week's Games

Friday 18 June Optus Park 1 5.45 Family Walla Rugby

> Saturday 19 June Optus Park 2

3.30 C v Swampdogs

5.00 A v U19 Schoolboys Magella Field Jabiru 5.00 B v Jabiru

The bus for Jabiru leaves Optus Park at 12.30pm with a second pick-up at BP Palms at 12.45pm.

Below is the **A Grade Table** according to eRugby News.

XXXX Cup Standings						
Uni versi ty	9	7	0	2	7	35
Casuari na	9	5	1	3	5	27
Palmerston	9	3	2	4	3	19
Souths	9	3	1	5	5	19
Dragons	9	3	0	4	1	13

**Coming Events** 

This **Saturday**, **19**<sup>th</sup> **June**, will see the Great Palmerston Rugby **CAR WASH** at **BP Palms** from 8.30am to 2pm. This is a fundraiser for our U14 representative players who will be doing a lot of the work. The **Jabiru bus** will be picking up senior players from there (about 12.45) so take your car down and get it washed while you are heading to Jabiru.

Thursday 1 July is Old Salties / C Grade Night. Get down to Moulden Park Oval and check

out training and the Player's Tea.

**Palmie** collecting rubbish and \$ at the **Royal Darwin Show** is on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July to Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July. Start thinking now about what shift(s) you can work.

#### Last Week's Games

Senior club rugby had a weekend off for the Friends of Rugby games.

#### Juniors

Last week-end was the Power Water Schools 10s competition and the final selection trials for a few representative teams. Many Palmie people were prominent over the week-end. lan Hogan and Stephen Bartholdt-Green played for the Palmerston High School senior team that was coached by Colin 'Snogga' Snowden. They did a fantastic job to only just lose the final to the Northern Cluster team. Tom Cummins. Blake Chadwick and Jarrath McMillan played for the Marrara Christian School junior team. Blake had a big day on Sunday, using his speed in the open spaces, to bag 5 tries, include a hat trick in 1 game. lan Hogan was named as a shadow player for the NT Schoolboys team that will be aoing to Geelong next week for the Division II Championships. Great effort, Ian. Especially when we remember, lan is not yet 16 and only in year 10.

Tom Cummins (14 years) and Stephen Bartholdt-Green (15 years) have also been strong performers right through-out the schoolbov trials. Tom was also named in the NT Indigenous U16 team that will play a Lloyd McDermott XV on July 24 here in Darwin. And finally, all of our U16 players: Tom, Stephen, Ian, Blake, Jarrath, Cameron Miller and Mitchell Lawrence have been named in a 50+ U16 training squad for the NT U16 team. They start training at 5.00pm on Monday 19 July under coach Colin 'Snogga' Snowden. Seems like they should have a pretty good idea of what they will be in for.

Many of our **U14's** played in the final 2 trial games on Saturday and Sunday to select the NT U14 team to contest the Queensland Age Championships from the 29th June to the 4th July. We have 7 players in the final squad. They are Fred Norris, Jye Wyles-Kelly, Blake Bishell, Kurt Collie-Whakave, Floyd Thompson, Watene Kirikino and Brendan Russell. Congratulations boys.

The **U12's lost 0-17** against the Dragons on Friday night. The teams agreed to play 15a-side leaving us to play without a reserve bench while the Dragons had a bench of 4. It was a hard-fought game with the scores being 0-0 at half time. In the second half the Dragons reserves proved the







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key factor as our players started to tire.

The U10's had a good win against Dragons 31- 14. Try scorers were Matthew Akers, Scott Parsons, Josh Rodda & Mitchell Carr with 2. Josh kicked 2 conversions while Wade Burkenhagen kicked 1. Best players were Damian Stedman, Ryan Cotton & Mitchell Carr.

The kids all wanted to continue training so Shane has offered to run them on Tuesdays for the school holiday period.

The U8's had a 5 all draw with Dragons. Our try was scored by Jack Callaghan. Best players included Joshua Russell, Jack Callaghan, Riley Hogan and Ben Dummett.

U6 try scorers this week were Kai Longley, Brett Mullin, Michaela White, Rhys Rodda, and B Downes.





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## Test Match at the



The Pig' n Whistle hosted the club to watch last week-end's Test match against Scotland. Here is Craig 'Squirter' Leach's report on the event. "The Pig and Whistle hosted a world record time trial attempt in drinking an 18 gallon keg dry on Sunday when the Palmy plavers and supporters watched the Wallabies defeat the Canny Scots. A good crowd fronted and thirstily got down to business. If only we had that sort of commitment and numbers at training on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Several bowls of finger food where demolished, along with a few strav fingers. and half time saw a very strong song-off against the Ducks Nuts pub across the road. Palmy had an easy victory there however it took a lot of thinking to find a few clean songs!! The keg soon only produced gas, which matched the comments coming from the front rowers, and a thousand of the world's most pressing problems were



solved. T Bear showed off the new Palmy trumpet that he purchased last week and now the entire world can't stand music anymore. We figured out that you can't actually drink beer out of a trumpet as it has a secret compartment some where that all the beer goes into!! Watch out for him at the cricket next month. A very enjoyable time was had by all and we look like we have secured a couple of new players from the day. Thanks *`Pig' n Whistle` or soon to be* `Pigs Pizzle` for a great event."

### Rugby Foundation Scholarships

Tom Cummins and Stephen Bartholdt Green from Palmerston along with Matthew O'Brien and Joe Egan were presented to the crowd at the Friends of Rugby game last Saturday night as this year's Rugby Foundation Scholarship holders. Didn't they look great in their Rugby Foundation gear?

## Web Master Wanted

Is this you? We have CrocTales up and running and we are loading it onto the Palmie web page but we need some more bandwidth to do a bit more maintenance on the page. You don't need to be a technical whiz but you will need access to the Internet. The rest you can be shown. Contact me if you are even vaguely interested.

# **Croc Jottings**

Rumour has it that we had 9 front rowers at training last Thursday night. That must have been nearly ½ of the total number. Who said we don't support and develop front rowers!!

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