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This newsletter has been put together by people who have absolutely no idea what they are doing and who have had to rely on a lot of unreliable people because the regular editor has gone on a sabbatical and is camping out in the desert while contemplating his navel (possibly with a bottle or two of red).

It would be much appreciated if coaches can send us scores of the games and a small editorial. Email them to (and send in a electronic photo or two if you want) to hoges@ozconnect.net

#### PRESENTATION EVENING

This has always been a great night and this year should prove to be the same. For those who have not been before, we try to keep costs low, we have good music, wine and drink, we keep the formalities short and we choose terrific venues.

This year it will be held at Casuarina Life Saving Club Out on the lawn overlooking the ocean on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> September. Starting at 6:30 to view the sunset before a night of food, music, presentations and good fun. Put it in your diary. We will be taking bookings very soon.

**Coming Events NTRU Semi Finals** are almost upon us. They are on Saturday 28 August. **Are you qualified?** 

Both semi finals are knock out finals this year,  $1 \vee 4$  and  $2 \vee 3$ , with the **Grand Finals** on the following **Saturday**, the 4<sup>th</sup> **September**.

The **NTJRU Grand finals** (except the U16's which will be on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August) will also be held this day.

The final **C Grade & Old Salties Night and Players Tea** for this season will be on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

The Juniors Presentation Night will be held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September from 5.30pm at the clubhouse. The Seniors Presentation Night is currently scheduled for Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

# Last Week's Games A's v Casuarina

With a loss to Casuarina we have put ourselves under intense pressure to make the finals. It's a must win against Uni this weekend. Not much needs to be said about the game. The boys know what they have to do and I reckon they can do it.

# B's v Casuarina

The game would have been easier if we had had 15 players but we started with 12 got to 14 and drifted back to 13 and some of those on the field were walking wounded.

Well done Nads for toughing it out and helping the B grade

even though if he had been a horse we would have shot him he looked so lame! With one game to the finals lets get that winning feeling back again.

## C's v Casuarina

Well it had to happen sooner or later. Numbers were down due to many recouping from nigaling injuries to the battle wearied bodies. Playing with 14 does not suit our mode of play but the thirsty thirds are made of stern stuff and for three quarters of the match stayed in touch with Casuarina. But as the injury toll mounted the field became larger than the Grand Canyon and the opposition found we were a bit short down the flanks. Gutsv effort by everyone and this team will go well in the finals series when our numbers rise again. Tries were scored by Tom Cummins and Ross (Boots) Blundston and Babbsie kicked a conversion. Best players were Scott Reed, Tom Cummins and Ian Hogan. Score 31-12.

## Stop Press

Thanks also to Dan Kyr who helped out at the show and our apologies to anyone else we missed from the thank-you list – It is always impossible to get everyone and thanks for all helpers at the show.

# **TERRITORY 7'S**

Next Years Australia Day 7's is shaping up to be the strongest ever with interest high from







Southern Clubs. The tournament, a joint venture between the Friends of Rugby and the NTRU will be one of the most lucrative on the 7's circuit with over \$20,000 prize money on offer. Clubs that have shown a keen interest to date include; Brisbane Brothers, GPS, Randwick, Gordon, Queanbeyan, Woy Woy, Terrigal while we hope to entice old friends from Burnside and Potoroos to return. Also expressing a serious interest is the National 7's side from Singapore.

## This weeks games

<u>Seniors</u> – All seniors' games at Marrara Optus Park Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> August

C Grade vs. University at 12.10pm B Grade vs. University at 1.30pm A Grade vs. University at 3.10pm

Senior players should also pop down and support the juniors players and cheer them on. They are the future of the club and I would be surprised if there is not a potential Wallaby or two running around. (Get their autographs now while they are going cheap.) I saw the 12's and 14's play last week and they have huge skill levels as well as some razzledazzle and play some great rugby.

## Juniors

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> August 12's vs. Swampdogs at 5.30pm on Optus 2 14's vs. University at 6.20pm at Optus 1 16's bye – but players are encouraged to attend and help other sides and help Snogger with the hot dogs for the NT Under 16 representative team. Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> August 8's vs. Swampdogs at 8.30am on Optus 1
6's vs. 6's at 9.00am both fields
10's vs. Swampdogs at 9.30am on Optus 1

Now just to fill in some space I will put in some potentially politically incorrect comments

#### HOW TO SPEAK ABOUT WOMEN AND BE POLITICALLY CORRECT:

1. She is not a BABE or a CHICK - She is a BREASTED CITIZEN.

2. She is not EASY - She is HORIZONTALLY ACCESSIBLE.

3. She is not BLONDE - She is a DETOUR OFF THE INFORMATION SUPERHIGHWAY.

4. She has not BEEN AROUND - She is A PREVIOUSLY ENJOYED COMPANION.

5. She is not an AIRHEAD - She is REALITY IMPAIRED.

6. She does not get DRUNK or TIPSY - She gets CHEMICALLY INCONVENIENCED.

7. She is not HORNY - She is SEXUALLY FOCUSED.

8. She does not have BREAST IMPLANTS - She is MEDICALLY ENHANCED.

9. She does not NAG YOU -She becomes VERBALLY REPETITIVE.

10. She is not a SL#T - She is SEXUALLY EXTROVERTED.

11. She does not have PREMIER LEAGUE HOOTERS - She is PECTORALLY SUPERIOR.

12. She is not a TWO-BIT SLAPPER - She is a LOW COST SERVICE PROVIDER.

#### HOW TO SPEAK ABOUT MEN AND BE POLITICALLY CORRECT:

1. He does not have a BEER GUT - He has developed a LIQUID STORAGE FACILITY.

2. He is not a BAD DANCER -He is OVERLY CAUCASIAN.

3. He does not GET LOST - He INVESTIGATES ALTERNATIVE DESTINATIONS.

4. He is not BALDING - He is in FOLLICLE REGRESSION.

5. He is not a CRADLE SNATCHER - He is GENERATIONALLY DIFFERENTIAL.

6. He does not get FALLING-DOWN DRUNK – He becomes ACCIDENTALLY HORIZONTAL.

7. He does not act like a TOTAL ASS - He develops RECTAL CRANIAL INVERSION.

8. He is not a MALE CHAUVINIST PIG - He has SWINE EMPATHY.

9. He is not afraid of COMMITMENT - He is MONOGAMOUSLY CHALLENGED.

10. He is not a WANKER - He is an OWNER OPERATOR





