

## This Week's Games

### Friday 1 April

#### Moulden Park Oval

5.45	<b>U6</b>	
5.45	<b>U8B</b>	v Swampdogs
5.45	<b>U8R</b>	v Casuarina
5.45	<b>U10</b>	v Swampdogs
6.30	<b>U12</b>	v Swampdogs
7.20	<b>U14</b>	v Swampdogs
8.15	<b>U16</b>	v Casuarina

### Saturday 2 April

#### Optus Park 1

5.30	<b>B</b>	v Casuarina
7.00	<b>A</b>	v Casuarina

## Senior home games –

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April v University. This will be the C Grade's first game for the season. Games are at 3.00pm, 4.30pm and 6.00pm.

## Keg and Super 12s at Lizards

**Bar and Grill** – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April. Hurricanes and Waratahs kick-off at 12 noon.

**Party Cruise Night** – Rugby blokes and Netball chicks to meet, mingle and party.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April from 6.00pm. \$55 / person including dinner, cruise etc. **Numbers are needed ASAP.** Contact Kate Chandler on 8901 0230 or [kate.chandler@pfes.nt.gov.au](mailto:kate.chandler@pfes.nt.gov.au).

## Last Week's Games

Over Easter, **City played Country** as a selection trial for the Mosquitoes squad. Although I didn't get to see the game, I bet Country didn't treat it as a trial. **City** did manage to get away with a **narrow 22 – 17 win.**

I am reliably informed that all of the Crocs players performed well especially **Tom Hurse**, back in the backline after experimenting with the forwards last season, and **Michael 'Scratchy' Scaturchio**. Scratchy has been playing in Brisbane for the last couple of years and is on a short family visit back to Darwin but he may stay. Keep our fingers crossed.

## Juniors

It is looking all go for the first competition games of the season this Friday night.

Come on down to Moulden Park Oval and watch the future Crocs stars in action.

## NTRU 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion

I am led to believe that plans for this huge week+ are all but finalised. Remember it is programmed from 13<sup>th</sup> August to 21<sup>st</sup> August. Events so far include:

- **Welcome Reception** on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>;
- **Family Day** at the Darwin Surf Life Saving Club on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>. This will be a combination BBQ/Hangi/Lovo/Kupmari depending on where you are from;
- **Sunset Harbour Cruise** on Tuesday;
- **Golf Day and Market Night** on Thursday;
- **Match** at Optus Park on Saturday before the 1<sup>st</sup> Grade game;
- **Gala Reunion Dinner** at the Darwin Turf Club on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> and
- **Recovery Day and Farewell** at Mandorah on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>.

Do we know that you are coming? Somewhere within the week we will need to include a quiet ale at our clubhouse for all returning Crocs.

## Crocs Netball

This year the Palmerston Crocs Netball club has been



A Grade Tooheys New Cup						
	P	W	D	L	BP	PT
Souths	1	1	0	0	1	5
Katherine	1	1	0	0	1	5
Dragons	1	1	0	0	0	4
University	1	0	0	1	1	1
Palmerston	1	0	0	1	0	0
Casuarina	1	0	0	1	0	0

B Grade Abel Finance Cup						
	P	W	D	L	BP	PT
Palmerston	1	1	0	0	1	5
Souths	1	1	0	0	1	5
Dragons	1	1	0	0	0	4
University	1	0	0	1	0	0
Casuarina	1	0	0	1	0	0
Jabiru	1	0	0	1	0	0

## Coming Events

**Junior competition games start tomorrow night, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April, at Moulden Park Oval.**

The next **Club Supper Night**, the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month after training, will be next **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April**. All past and present members, players and supporters are encouraged to come along to these nights and catch up on what is happening at your club.



formed and has affiliated with the Palmerston Crocs Rugby Union Club. In their first year the Netballing Crocs have entered **2 junior teams and 2 senior teams** in the Darwin Netball Association competition played at Parap.

They are always on the lookout for players, coaches and officials. It doesn't matter what your experience or fitness level is, they offer a fun, family and social opportunity to everyone.

They plan on having regular social functions that will be a great chance to meet new people as well as relax in true Darwin style. The club can be contacted via Kate Chandler on 8901 0230 BH, 8928 0417 AH, 0407 035 407 or crocsnetball@hotmail.com.

Kate tells me that so far they have played 2 games. On the **17<sup>th</sup> March** the **B's beat Northern Districts 40-27**. The team came together well considering they had little to no training. The C's came to the rescue of the DNA at the 11th hour when they were called up for a last minute game instead of their scheduled bye. They ended up losing to University but she isn't sure of the score.

On the **24<sup>th</sup> March** the B's had a bye but the **C's** played the **local Palmerston derby** against the Palmerston Magpies. With Bec Fears and Jen McConnell making their shooting debuts, the **Crocs romped home 53 to 18!!**

Kate says that the best bit was seeing the NTFL blokes from the Palmerston Magpies cheering next to the Union blokes from the Crocs. Cube described the win as "**a comprehensive and systematic victory**". **Well done girls.**

There is even rumour of the spectators composing a **winning song** for the team. Can anyone remember it and

write it down so the girls can learn it?

**Game times tonight are B's @ 6.15pm v University and C's @ 7.45pm v Falcons.**

## Sponsors

To continue last week's story about who our sponsors are, this week let me introduce you to **Moulden 5 Star Handimarket, Beyond Design and Brumbies Palmerston.**

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**Moulden 5 Star Handimarket** is the local supermarket at Moulden. It is managed by **James 'Spunky' Ballantyne** and they support the efforts of both our **junior and senior teams**. They donate after game **Icy Poles and soft drinks** for the junior teams each week plus donate product for Player's Teas, Club Suppers etc. Thanks James. Whenever in Moulden, make sure you drop in and do your shopping with James and his friendly staff.



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**Beyond Design** is a **graphic arts company** that does a wide range of work for government and private sector clients in both Darwin and Brisbane. The Palmerston connection is **Chris Bree**, wife of the fourth Bree brother, Paddy. Chris does all and any graphic design / artwork that the club needs for websites, letterheads, newsletters, business cards etc. Send her an email [christine.bree@bigpond.com](mailto:christine.bree@bigpond.com) if you ever need these sorts of services.



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**Brumbies Palmerston** are located in the Palm City Oasis

Shopping Centre and make all of those delicious breads, pastries etc. **Tania Mitchell** is the Manager and her son Brett plays in our U8 team. They help us by discounting the cost of **bread, rolls etc for club events**. Make sure you help them to help the club by buying all your bread and bakery supplies from them.

## Croc Jottings

Did you see the photo of **Mossies and Palmerston captain, Ben Emmett**, in the Sports section of yesterday's **NT NEWS**? Why is it that every photo they use of him is unflattering? I have a head shot, below, I must send to them but maybe I should also get some action shots. Maybe the head of hair helps?



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Isn't it amazing how quickly **stories can travel** from Pine Creek to Darwin? I couldn't believe how many people were telling / asking me about **rumoured nudity** by Crocs players on the way home from Katherine. **Could it be so?**

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I could see that **training** was getting a bit more **serious** on Tuesday night. First, it was **Ian Hogan** with a nice cut above his left eye. **Terry Kirstenfeldt** then appeared with a bleeding nose and finally **Nathan Friske** needed treatment for a leg problem. I hope that gets all of the training injuries for the year out of the way in one night.



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