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**Upcoming Games** 

SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> March Warren Park South Darwin 10s SATURDAY 25<sup>th</sup> March Austar Rugby Park 2 Round 1

4.30Bv Casuarina6.00Av Casuarina

SATURDAY 1<sup>st</sup> April Magela Field Jabiru

Round 2 4.00 B v Jabiru

The season draw looks like it is just about finalised. I am confident the games and times above are correct so get them locked into your life.

As soon as the draw is confirmed I will put a copy on our web site, see the top of CrocTales for the address.

# Junior Coaches &

Managers

This week it's time to bring you up to date about all of those magnificent people who are coaching and managing our junior teams this season.

Leader of the pack and Junior Coordinator is Alison Snowden. Alison is going to be 'assisted' by Lyn Cotton. Lyn, Shane, Aaron, and Ryan have decided they have had enough fun in Nhulunbuy and it is time to return home to Darwin. We all say, a great big welcome back.

U16 Coach is Colin 'Snogga' Snowden. I think



this is year 3 for Snogga and what a year it is going to be. Snogga started 3 years ago with 8 players. Last year it was a full team and this year it is verging on 2 teams. Now, that's what I call being successful. Snogga is going to be **assisted by Robbie Taylor** and **Alison** is the **Manager**.

Coach Contacts: Wayne Connop 0418 852 860; Ben Blyton 0417 082 531; Craig Leach 0412 377 578;

Colin Snowden 8932 2719; Alison Snowden 0402 865 706

Darren Bishell was keen to coach the **U14s** but his army bosses think he would be better placed spending extra time in Iraq. Hence **Shane Cotton** has decided to step back into the coaching ring and will coach the U14s.

The **U12** coaching position is also subject to confirmation of availability etc. At this stage we have **Assistant coach Cat Waite** and **helper Anthony Lees** confirmed.

Jamie Akers has stepped up from U8s to be this years U10 coach. Nick 'Slats' Slater will be the Assistant Coach and Kyle Grainger is the Manager.

The **U8s** are also a little light on. Our volunteer coach needs to get a medical clearance before confirming and at this stage we have **no assistant coach or Manager**.

And finally the **U6s**, Alison is hopeful **one or more of the parents** will volunteer to start their rugby education.

## Goose Club

Don't forget the Goose Club this Friday evening at **Lizards Bar and Grill**.



Get there about 5.00pm so you have time fro a drink before going to work. Ticket sales start at 6.00pm and the draw happens at 8.00pm.

Don't forget to wear your club shirt.

## Junior Sign-On

We had a **successful junior sign on** last Sunday. Nearly **50 players signed on**, about 6 or 7 players in each age group. This is great but we still need a lot more players. **Junior training is now under way** each Tuesday and Thursday at Moulden Park Oval, U6 – U14 from 5.00pm and U16 from 6.00pm.

James Burke MLA dropped in during the sign on and was keen to find out more about the club and how to stay in touch.

#### **Croc Jottings**

Do we have any Italian speakers in the club? Does 'ciao tutti' really translate to 'hi everyone'? That's what Michael 'Scratchy' Scaturchio tells me. Scratchy has emailed the club from his Italian tour. He says hi to everyone and tells us that all is good in Italy especially given he has just has a 5 week break due to the 6 Nations competition. He managed to get in a week's snow boarding in Cevinia (near the Swiss-Italian border) and had a ball but now it's back to the hard labor of training.









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It's time to get to senior training, competition games are about to start!!

