

## Upcoming Games

The plan at present is for the **first A, B and U18** competition games to be played on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March**. This possibly means the South Darwin 10s on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February and the Jabiru 10s on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March although these tournaments haven't yet been confirmed.

Either way, the season is just around the corner and it is time to get to training.

**Junior, U6 – U16**, games will begin on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March**.

## Coming Events Junior & Senior Sign On

A combined club sign on will be held on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February** from 1:00pm to 4:00pm at the Clubhouse.

There will be a sausage sizzle, cool drinks, skills drills, Walla rugby games, slip & slide and more.

Mark this in your diary and get along and meet the coaches, team managers and of course your Committee.

Bring your wallet / credit card and pay your membership fees while you're filling in the paperwork.

**Membership fees are:**  
**U6** - \$45 including shorts  
**U8 - U18** - \$70 incl shorts & socks  
**Seniors** - \$180 incl shorts, socks and club polo shirt

## Training dates & times

**Senior and U18 training is underway.** 6:00pm Tuesday

and Thursday at Moulden Park Oval, Bonson Terrace.

**Junior training starts on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February** at 5:00pm.

## PRUC Committee

Since the AGM in December there has been further strengthening of the Committee.

As foreshadowed in the last CrocTales, new member, **Rob Sloan** has been appointed to the **Secretary** position.

Active players, **Hunter McGee** and **Dan Maroulis** have also joined the Committee, as has junior Mum, **Tanya Mitchell**. **President Dan** welcomes them aboard and thanks them for their commitment.

## Hottest 7s

As always the Palmerston Crocs nominated a team in

the annual Hottest 7s week-end. We were the only Darwin based club to do so this year although Dragons had players in the Darwin Dingoes team and Casuarina had some in the Hogs Breath team. We also provided a few players for the AUSTAR Mosquitoes team.

**Congratulations** to Manager **Gareth Felton**, his helpers in **Robbie Taylor** and **Alan Babbs** and his team of merry men who performed strongly throughout the week-end. We were one of only 3 teams to **score against the Aussie Spirit team**, holding them to a 5 – 12 2<sup>nd</sup> half during our pool game against them. We won't mention the ½ time score.

## Senior Coaches

It has taken a while to dot all of the i's and cross all of the t's but CrocTales can now



**Most of our Hottest 7s team**

**Back:** Gareth Felton, Dan Taylor, Scott Reed, Lee Verrall, Stan Huen, Hunter McGee, Steve Joseph, Robbie Taylor  
**Front:** Shannon Waters, Kev Jones, Glen Tanonef, Denny Johnston  
**Absent:** Damian Collie, Kopu Hita-Duval

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announce that the 2007 Senior coaches are:

Head Coach: **Bernie Bree**  
Asst Coach: **Sean Killiner**  
Asst Coach: **Dave Ley**  
Asst Coach: **Craig Leach**  
U18 Coach: **Robbie Taylor**

As Head Coach, Bernie will also be the A Grade Coach. Sean Killiner will be the B Grade Coach and will be assisted as required by Craig Leach. Craig expects to be only able to train on Thursdays and intends to play B Grade.

Dave Ley will support all coaches with plans, drills, development etc and back-up Bernie with the A Grade.

**Welcome aboard team.**

## Junior Coaches

As per the Seniors, things are also starting to fall into place with junior team coaches.

Confirmed appointments are:

U16: **Darren Bishell**  
U12: **Shane Cotton**  
U10: **Jamie Akers**  
U8: **Jordan Bishell & Aaron Cotton**

That leaves an U14 & U6 coaching positions and plenty of Assistant Coach positions available. **Colin 'Snogga' Snowden** has agreed to take on a **Junior Coach Coordinator** role and work with all junior coaches as and when required.

Are you or do you know of someone who might be interested in getting involved with the juniors? If so give **Darren a call on 0427 184 799.**

### Happy Birthday!!

*Denny Johnston* 26 on 9<sup>th</sup> Jan  
*Damian Collie* 25 on 13<sup>th</sup> Jan  
*Dan Maroulis* 27 on 15<sup>th</sup> Jan  
*Shaun Jolley* 28 on 25<sup>th</sup> Jan  
*Alison Snowden* ?? on 6<sup>th</sup> Feb

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## Coaching Courses

The NTRU has organised a suite of coaching courses prior to the season getting under way. They are:

### Foundation Course (including SmartRugby)

Date - 25<sup>th</sup> February  
Time - 9am to 5pm, \$ - Free

### SmartRugby Course (Compulsory for all coaches unless you did it last year)

Date - 25<sup>th</sup> February  
Time - 9am to 11.30am

### Level 2 Coaching Course (Pre-requisite is having Level 1 and SmartRugby)

Dates and Times -  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 6pm - 9.30pm  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 9am - 5pm  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March 9am - 5pm  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 6pm - 9.30pm  
Cost - \$50

If you would like to do any of these courses then please contact **Colin Snowden** on 8932 1335 or **Dave Ley** on 0418 298 199 ASAP.

## Hottest 7s Photos

Lloyd Kornelson was the 'Official Photographer' for the Heineken Hottest 7's this year. All the photos he took can be viewed and/or purchased at very reasonable prices at:  
[www.photographybylk.com/gallery.html](http://www.photographybylk.com/gallery.html)

## Croc Jottings

**Shaun Gill** became a Dad for the 1<sup>st</sup> time, well that we know of, in early December. A bouncing **baby boy** named **Joe**.

A well known club member is suggesting that he was named Joe so Gilly can keep in the good books with **Smokin` Joe Tadeo**. As good a reason as any, I say.

**Congratulations Shaun & Jacque** or is it Jackie?

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An ex Palmie player was recently spotted over Christmas with a large group of policemen at a bar in the city. **Geoff Hughes** has been working in the Middle East for a while and had returned for the christening of Shaun Gill's baby, Joe. When asked how life was over there, the big man replied that he missed the Aussie way of life and was looking forward to relaxing with some mates. Those mates were busy making sure that Hughsie rejoined the Aussie way of life but didn't seem likely to let him relax.

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Another Christmas snippet.

**Andrea ...**, long suffering wife of **Vince Kelly** is still under going therapy for a small mistake she made at pre Christmas drinks. Late in the day the Palmie boys entered the pub she was drinking in. They were all dressed up in their airport theme as they had just been to a Christmas lunch and we know how much **Palmie boys like dressing up**.

El Presidente, **Dan McIntyre**, was dressed in a catching **stewardess's outfit** including a short skirt. Andrea decided to **check what was up the stewardess's skirt** and reached in and grabbed the first thing she found. She was last seen running towards the Ladies saying she needed soap and would never get her hands clean again.

Everyone knows that the **Palmie boys dress sans undies** so we're not sure why the surprise. Perhaps it was the size of the python that caused the shock.

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**Cat Waite**, our Physio, junior coach and counselor to many needs a **new housemate** rather quickly.

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