

Upcoming Games

**FRIDAY 6th April &
SATURDAY 7th April**

EASTER – no games

FRIDAY 13th April
School holidays
no junior games

SATURDAY 14th April
AUSTAR Rugby Park 2

4.00 **U18** v Casuarina
5.30 **B** v Dragons
7.00 **A** v Dragons

FRIDAY 20th April
AUSTAR Rugby Park 1

6.00 **U6**
6.00 **U8** v Swampdogs Blu
6.00 **U10** v Swampdogs Blu
7.40 **U14** v University
AUSTAR Rugby Park 2
6.50 **U12** v Casuarina
8.40 **U16** v Swampdogs

A Grade Tooheys New Cup							
	P	W	D	L	BP	PT	
Dragons	3	3			2	14	
Souths	4	2		2		8	
Palmerston	3	1		2	3	7	
Casuarina	3	1		2	1	5	
University	3	1		2		4	

B Grade Abel Finance Cup							
	P	W	D	L	JF	BP	PT
Dragons	4	4				3	19
Souths	4	3		1		2	14
Palmerston	3	2		1		1	9
Jabiru	3	1		2		1	5
Casuarina	4	1		3		1	5
University	4			4			

U18 Colts Standings							
	P	W	D	L	BP	PT	
Palmerston	4	4			3	19	
Dragons	4	2		2	2	10	
Cas-Souths	4	2		2	1	9	
University	4			4			

Coming Events

Club Captain Election

At the Clubhouse after training
next **Thursday 12th April**.
Check out the duties on the
noticeboard.

Last Week's Games

B v Jabiru

At the 11th hour or more
precisely about 8:30am on
Saturday the decision was
finally taken that it was
**impractical for us to get to
Jabiru** for the game.

The Arnhem Highway was
closed and advice from
Government was that the
Kakadu Highway was also in a
pretty bad way and we were
looking at a 5 hour bus trip to
get there and more home in
the dark.

I think the NTRU have agreed
to the game being declared a
non-event and 3 points
awarded to both teams.

My thanks to **Coach Killiner**
and all of the dedicated souls
who were still ready to go
even as we cancelled the trip.
Your spirit is fantastic.

U18 v University

Another great victory for the
Palmerston Colts.

Palmerston 32 d University 0

Coach Cotts says:

*'A game played in difficult
condition: stinking hot at the
start, then some rain, then the
rain stopped and then a
torrential downpour.*

*The game was thrilling to
watch from the crowd's
perspective despite the
conditions. Not so for the
coaching staff. We had a lot
of turnovers and silly penalties*

*costing us field position and
the chance to build pressure.
This gives us something to
work on at training.*

*All of the boys played
extremely well, as this was the
first game this season we
haven't had reserves. Thanks
to **Paul Moir** for doing the
stats on Saturday and **Jordan
Bishell** for running the line.
The biggest THANKS goes to
Wesley Davies for running
water and messages,
hopefully we can have him
back playing in our team in the
near future.*

*The boys want to thank all of
the Palmy crowd for their
attendance again, hopefully
you all enjoyed the game as
much as they did.*

**TRIES: Steve Carter (2), Jai
Wyles-Kelly, Michael
Killiner, Robbie Cotter, Kane
Richards.**

**CONVERSIONS: Robbie
Cotter**

Player's Player: Steve Carter
Coach's Award: Steve Carter'

U16 v Souths

Palmerston 35 d Souths 0 on
forfeit.

U14 v Dragons

Coach Donovan reports this
week that:

*'Once again the U14's showed
a big improvement with a lot of
emphasis being put into
defense at training which
resulted in a much improved
score line. **Palmerston 5 lost
to Dragons 27.***

*Also the work
done on our
line outs
resulted in us
winning
several*



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contests for the ball against the throw in. The set moves from the lineout also **paid dividends with our first try** for the season. One of the more pleasing aspects to this week's game was the number of phases we were able to put together and the field position we gained.

The backs were able to capitalise on the good field position with a number of good back line moves put together only to be stopped by a very determined opposition. Testament to this was **Tyler Donovan** being voted with 1 point in a great effort from one of the smallest players on the team. The team's fitness is now starting to get better and the reserves are finding it hard to make the field because of it.

Other **points winners** this week were **Snow Leavavasour** (tight head) with 2 points and **Brad Hogan** (flanker) covering a lot of ground picking up his 3 points. Obviously the judges weren't too far off the mark with **Snow** also picking up **Player's player**.

The **Coaches McDonalds Restaurant award** went to **Jack Hamilton** who trained his socks off last week with the results showing in the game with his cleaning out and getting to the breakdown something everyone else should take note of.'

Try scorer: **Wade Burgkenhagen**

U12 v Swampdogs

Palmerston 17 d Swampdogs 10

Tries were scored by **Brandon Knight, Cody**

Happy Birthday!!

Todd Harrison 26 on 6th Apr

Patrick Elliott 17 on 7th Apr

Dan Taylor 28 on 8th Apr

Jack Kypreos 16 on 9th Apr

McFarlane, Joel Hogan and Jye Snowden kicked a **conversion**.

The previous week against University our best players were: **Joel Hogan, Ryan Cotton, Ben Kaart and Mitchell Heath**.

U10 v Dragons

Palmerston 0 lost to Dragons 45

U8 v Dragons

Palmerston 35 d Dragons 0 on forfeit.

U6 v Swampdogs

Palmerston 15 lost to Swampdogs 20

Our **tries** were scored by **Cody Akers, Darcy Holmes and Jacob Blyton**.

Jacob's Dad, **Burley Ben Blyton**, was thrilled with Jacob's first rugby try and is convinced 'a **new generation of try scoring machine**' has emerged. We can only hope he is right and that he surpasses his Dad's try scoring feats while still a junior. Many would say that won't be hard.

Bree's Bits & Pieces

'Training numbers were really strong last Thursday and it allows us to really get into the nuts and bolts of the game. We had the **tight forwards on the scrum machine** and I could just see the happiness in **Vince's** eyes as he strode off over the hill with his big burley friends.

We are also able to start to do many of our decision making drills with runners in their actual positions so it becomes more real.

With Easter coming and another week of no games **please don't disappear**. This is a great time for building on what we have been trying to achieve, that is, **making decisions based on what is in front of us** not using predetermined moves, having great support lines and

winning crucial engagements such as scrums, lineouts, rucks and mauls.

We Need You!

I'm still hoping that some helpful person will put their hand up to **manage the A Grade team**. It is essential that someone be available on a regular basis on Saturdays to assist with game preparation. It really is fun and it's great to be involved with a terrific bunch of people...and me.

If you can make Tuesday and Thursday as well then that's great.

Contact Bernie (0419 189 331) and the job is yours.'

Birth Certificates

Have you handed yours in yet? If not, please do so as soon as you can.

Players **without birth certificates** after the 15th April **won't be able to play**.

Goose Club

As it is Easter, the **Goose Club is happening TONIGHT**.

Michael Killiner and team will be rushing in after training to help the Honey Pot girls finish the selling and do the draw.

Sponsors


Professionals

There is a bright new star in Darwin. **Dave and Sharmay Ley** have opened the Professionals Darwin at 3/68 Marina Boulevard Cullen Bay. If you are **selling, buying or renting real estate** then they are the people to see.

Call them on 08 8924 0400.

Of course they have continued their support of the club and you can see their new logo on our polo shirts.

The visiting national CEO and Chairman of the Professionals



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were very impressed with our polo shirts.

Thanks Dave & Sharmay and congratulations on your new venture.



This week we can announce continued support from long term sponsor's Shamrock Homes and M&L Financial.

Shamrock Homes will again be sponsoring the Darwin Show workers shirts as well as their ongoing support of our junior teams.

Thank you to Michael Moriarty and Gail Barlow for their continued support.

Gail is also sponsoring the after game sports drinks for the U18 team. All the players say a very BIG thank you.



i'm lovin' it™

Rob Wilson from McDonalds Palmerston has come on board to support our U14 team with a weekly meal voucher for the Coach's Encouragement Award.

Thank You Rob.

Senior Draw

It looks like the senior competition draw has now been finalised with confirmation of details for a number of the representative fixtures.

The full details can be found on the NTRU website at: <http://ntru.rugby.net.com.au/default.asp?id=102311>

Croc Jottings

Scott Werleman has taken the plunge and jumped on board to help out with the coaching of the U12 team.

Thanks Scott, I'm sure you will find it very rewarding.

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Tim Heath, CEO of the NT Rugby Union is looking for someone who is flying from Sydney to Darwin on the 26th or 27th April. I'm not sure why but I'm sure he would appreciate it if you know of someone. Tim can be contacted on 08 8945 1444.

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Everyone at Palmerston Rugby Union Club congratulates Todd Harrison and Nichole Hadley on their recent engagement.

Now when's the wedding – not during the season and not on a Test match night!!



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2007 New Zealand Schools 7s Team

Check out the guy 2nd from the right in the back row. Yes, it's none other Narada Kerr-Barlow. Congratulations Narada.

Palmerston Rugby Union Club salutes you.

