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Upcoming Games

SATURDAY 11th August SEMI FINALS

AUSTAR Rugby Park 11.50 **U18** v University

1.20 B v Dragons

3.10 A v Dragons

SATURDAY 18th August PRELIMINARY FINALS

AUSTAR Rugby Park 1.20 **B** Preliminary Final 3.10 **A** Preliminary Final 5.20 **U18** Grand Final

SATURDAY 25th August GRAND FINALS

AUSTAR Rugby Park

10.30 U8
10.30 U10
11.20 U10
12.15 U12
1.20 B Grade

3.10 **A Grade** 5.15 **U14**

6.30 **U16**

A Grade Tooheys New Cup							
	Р	W	D	L	BP	PT	
Dragons	12	10		2	6	46	
Pal merston	12	7		5	7	35	
Casuari na	12	6		6	3	27	
Uni versi ty	12	4		8	4	20	
Souths	12	3		9		12	

B Grade Abel Finance Cup								
	Р	W	D	L	JF	BP	PT	
Dragons	15	13	1	1		9	63	
Pal merston	15	10		4		8	51	
Jabi ru	15	6	1	7		4	33	
Casuari na	15	6	1	8		6	32	
Souths	15	3	1	11	1	2	12	
Uni versi ty	15	3		12	2	2	6	

U18 Col ts Standings									
	Р	W	D	L	BP	PT			
Pal merston	13	10		3	8	48			
Casuari na	11	6	1	5	4	30			
Dragons	12	5		7	4	24			
Uni versi ty	12	2	1	9	4	14			

Coming Events

Eric Johnson Medal & NTRU Awards Night

7pm Saturday 18th August Deck Bar

This is a good night and all PRUC Players are encouraged to attend.

Tickets are \$55 although discounted tickets for players and team management are available for \$30 via Rob Sloan (0439 809 455).

NT Junior Rugby Union Fundraising Dinner 22 August 2007

Prizes, Auctions, Raffles, Fun and Entertainment, Dinner Guest Speaker – **Ben Tune** \$60.00 per person Mirambeena Resort Darwin

PRUC Junior Presentation Sunday 26th August From 10:30am at Berry Springs Nature Park

Bring the family, your swimmers and a picnic and enjoy the atmosphere

PRUC Senior Presentation Saturday 1st September

Get this date in your diary and get the babysitters organised.

This will be another memorable night under the stars on the **Holtze Lawn** at

the George Brown Botanic Gardens.

Catering will be by Master Chef **Kev Jones** and friends so prepare yourself for large lashings of high quality food.

Dress is Territory Formal.

This is defined by the NT Government protocol people as a Dinner Suit or Dark Trousers, Long Sleeve Shirt, Tie or Tuxedo for Gentlemen and Evening Wear for Ladies

Final details are being worked out now.

Last Week's Games

A v Dragons

Palmerston 18 d Dragons 17

Coach Bree reports:

'This was to be a very important game for us. If the team whose name we do not mention had beaten University and we had lost then we would have missed out on second spot. As it turned out neither of these two events happened.

We had another disrupted build up losing Apenisa'Jah' Nayacadraudrau just before kick off and so a few adjustments were made.

Michael Scaturchio could be considered to be a very handy replacement and he got stuck straight in. The forwards really recycled well and this led to an early overlap when Shane Stoeckert went blind and gave a lovely cut pass to

opposition and **scored**.

The game continued at a fast and furious pace and we went

Damian Smith who motored

along the side line, beat his

Honour Board - 26 July 2007

A Grade Coach's Award: Dennis Grant
B Grade Coach's Award: Percy Peel







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in to the break up 15 - 7. As expected there was a storm to come and Dragons got the benefit of a long run of penalties which kept the ball in their possession for quite some time. With about 20 minutes to go there was a nasty kicking incident when a Dragons player came offside to kick a Palmy player on the ground. The incident was seen by all and reported by the touch judge but ignored by the referee. In fact they got the penalty and soon after scored and went up 17 - 15.

The last 15 minutes went from end to end with chances to both teams being cut down in desperate tackles. Right on full time we were awarded a penalty on half way. Ben Emmett invited Shane Stoeckert to have a go and he did. The ball dropped over the goal post and hit the ground almost directly underneath the posts.

A happy win! Kicks like that don't just happen. Stocky has been practising long and hard and we're all glad he has.

Player's Player was easy -Stocky!

It's Dragons again this weekend and a win sees us in the grand final.'

Our tries were scored by Damian Smith and Tom **Hurse** while **Shane Stoeckert** converted one try and kicked 2 penalty goals.

B v Dragons

Dragons 17 d Palmerston 15 Coach Killiner has been laid low all week with a mystery illness and has not been able to provide a précis of last week's game.

Although a loss, I think it

Happy Birthday!!

Steven Rawson

16 on 9th August

Narada Kerr-Barlow 17 on 15th August

confirmed to everyone that we have a team that can go all the way this year as long as everyone gets along to training and turns up ready and willing to play.

Miles 'Ralph' Hindle showed his versatility by having a strong game at full back including a well timed and directed run to slice through for a try.

Our tries were scored by Gareth 'Cotts' Cotter and Ralph while Cotts converted one try and kicked a penalty

The Player's Player Award was shared between the 2 try scorers, Cotts and Ralph.

U18 v Dragons

Palmerston 34 d Dragons 12 For a while player numbers looked a bit doubtful for this game but we managed to scrap 12 together when Michael Killiner volunteered to run on the wing even though he was starting in A Grade later in the afternoon. Thanks Michael.

Then just to keep things on edge Coach Snowden was called away about 5 minutes before kick-off to a house fire.

The game ended up being a good win but we had to work hard for the full 70 minutes to earn it. We will have to take this same approach into next week's semi final.

Everyone worked hard and played well but Kane Richards at fly half, Kyle Davies in the 2nd row, Jai Wyles-Kelly filling in at half back and U16 players, Brenton Whatley in the 2nd row and **Anthony Smith** at outside centre had very strong games.

Our tries were scored by Kane

Richards (2), **Anthony Smith** (2), Paddy Elliott and Michael Killiner. Kane converted 2 of them.

For Sale

U8, U10 & U12

Jerseys

\$20 each

Jerseys available on Presentation Day

See

Ali 0402 865 706. Lyn 0409 313 901 or Darren 0439 814 780 to secure yours now.

U14 v Swampdogs

Swampdogs 17 d Palmerston 7

Coach Donovan says:

'Friday night saw the return of competition after the school holiday break and the boys were **keen to prove** themselves against the Swamp Dogs. Unfortunately they had a depleted side and we were only able to run on 13 players. The game started at a fairly hectic pace with both teams chancing the ball out wide with several breaks down the side line but the defense from both teams was good and neither team crossed.

After the initial skirmishes out wide play settled into hard metres up the middle which resulted in the first try of the game going to Jarred Donovan who eventually scored under the posts after beating several defenders in goal. This was then ably converted by Shaun Ley. The Swampdogs hit back with a try not long after but didn't convert so our boys went into the break leading for the first time this year.

Unfortunately the holiday break wasn't too kind to the fitness levels of some of our players and Swampdogs ran in two unanswered tries late in the game.

Brad Hogan was our best and finally broke through to gain 3







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points, with Jarred Donovan and Shaun Ley picking up 2 points and Peter Kilgour picked up 1 point and Player's Player. AJ Brooking won the Palmerston McDonalds encouragement award. '

U12 v Casuarina

Casuarina 32 d Palmerston 0

U10 v Swampdogs Blue

Swampdogs 48 d Palmerston 36

Tries were scored by Luke Rutherford (3) Ayrton Deo, Brielle Felton and Riley Hogan. Luke and Riley also each kicked a conversion.

U8 v Swampdogs Blue

Swampdogs 50 d Palmerston 45

Tries were scored by **Sean** McFarlane (2), Joe Cotton (2), Tom Nefodouas and Koby Snowden.

U6 v Swampdogs

Palmerston 25 d Swampdogs 15

Tries were scored by Jacob Blyton (2), McKenzie Brooks, Michael Dreu and Darcy Holmes.

Croc Jottings

It must be finals time and it is bringing out the best in Dennis Bree. Dennis had to



Something for No Undie Sunday perhaps?



What a relaxed bunch!! Perhaps this was one of the forfeits.



Slugger displaying the very best fashion in training

warm the bench for the first half of last weekends B Grade game and he was obviously determined to prove to the coaching staff that he should be starting in this weekend's semi final.

Spectators noticed 2 magic moments

from Dennis. The first a catch and mark in the 22m and the second a kick chase of son Dan's kick with Dennis being first to the catcher and making the tackle.

Great work Dennis.

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A Grade Manager, Fiona Austine, took a few photos at training and pre-game a few weeks ago. Thanks for the insight Fiona.

No not the drinking one!!

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