

Upcoming Games

FRIDAY 30th May

AUSTAR Rugby Park 1
6.00 **U6**
6.00 **U8** v University
6.00 **U10** v Dragons
6.50 **U12** Bye
7.40 **U14** v Dragons
AUSTAR Rugby Park 2
8.40 **U16** v University Black

SATURDAY 31st MAY

University Oval
1.00 **U18** v Dragons
AUSTAR Rugby Park 1
5.30 **B** v Souths
7.00 **A** v Souths

A Grade Tooheys New Cup	P W D L BP PT					
	Souths	7	6		1	2
Uni versi ty	7	4	1	2	4	22
Casuari na	8	3		5	2	14
Pal merston	7	2	1	4	2	12
Dragons	7	2		5	1	9

B Grade Abel Finance Cup	P W D L JF BP PT					
	Uni versi ty	9	5	2	2	
Jabi ru	9	5		4		4 24
Souths	9	5		4		4 24
Pal merston	9	4	1	4		4 22
Dragons	9	4		5		1 17
Casuari na	9	2	1	6		1 11

One Steel Metal and U18 Col ts	P W D L BP PT					
	Pal merston	2	2			1
Dragons	1			1		
Casuari na	1			1		
Souths/Uni						

Coming Events

Home Games in 2008
Saturday 21st June

Crocs v BushRatz Fishing
Comp
Sunday 8th June

Last Week's Games

A v University

Palmerston 22 v University 22
The Crocs A Grade stormed home to draw with University last Saturday.

We were down 12 – 0 at half time and fell further behind, 22 – 0, before rallying to draw 22 all.

Palmerston Sports Club **Player's player** was **Joshua Higgins** while **Mika Dreu**, **Brock Evans** and **Josh Gray** were strong performers.

Our tries were scored by **Brock Evans**, **Mika Dreu**, **Scott Rasmussen** and **Joshua Gray**. **Stan Huen** converted 1 try.

B v University

Palmerston 12 v University 12
In a day for draws, the Crocs B Grade also had a draw with University, this time 12 all.

Palmerston Sports Club **Player's player** was **Darryl Porter**. Other strong games were put in by **Justin Walker** and **Josh Parker**. **Manager Fiona** tells CrocTales that Darryl has only been with us for about 6 weeks and is now leaving to go to Adelaide.

He has been a much welcomed and appreciated member of the Killer B's and will be missed. We wish him all the best.

Our tries were scored by **Justin Walker** and **Shaun Gill**. **Robbie Taylor** kicked a conversion.

U16 v University

Palmerston 21 d University 15
Co-Coach Donavan reports:

'After a bye two weeks ago and a forfeit win to us last week it was good to finally get a real game against University Red. This is supposed to be their better team and we were down a few key players so it looked like we would have a battle on our hands.

From the outset it was a pretty even affair and there wasn't much in it for the first 10 minutes. When University suddenly scored an intercept try while we were attacking their try line, it was a bit demoralizing so early in the game and it took our boys another 10 minutes to regain their composure and revert to our game plan.

At half time and with the majority of the first half being spent with us in their 22 we were up but only by 1 goal. A half time pep talk reminding the players about the need to play our game plan and to spread the ball to our backs a bit more the team went out to make amends for the first half territorial gain that resulted in very little rewards.

*Once again the 16's dominated in field position after a lot of good work by the forwards, ably led by **Jordan Bishell**, **Aaron Cotton** and **Cory Singleton**. This hard team work was rewarded by a try out wide after a well rehearsed backline move that saw **Jackson McInnes** and **Jarred Donovan** combine to finish off the hard yards up the middle.*

*University hit back not long after showing that they were not going to lie down and die. In the end it was three tries apiece but it was **Dean***



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Staunton's goal kicking which proved the difference with 3 from 3 from the sideline.'

Tries were scored by **Aaron Cotton, Jarrod Donovan** and **Alex Johnson. Dean Staunton** converted all three tries.

U14 v Casuarina

Palmerston 35 d Casuarina 0 on forfeit

In the scratch game played, tries were scored by **Peter Kilgour (2), Damien Stedman, Dylan Holmes** and **Tyler Donovan. Dylan Holmes** kicked a conversion.

U12 v Dragons

Dragons 15 d Palmerston 0

U10 v Souths

Palmerston 31 d Souths 14
Our try scorers were **Brett Mullen, Sean McFarlane (2), Tristan Hardy** and **Callum Kilian. Brett Mullen** kicked 3 conversions.

U8 v Swampdogs

Swampdogs 35 d Palmerston 25

Our try scorers were **Meli Dreu (2), Madeline Paull, Jarryd Morriss** and **Denzell Parnell**

U6

Palmerston 40 d Swampdogs 30

Our tries were scored by **Jacob Blyton (3), Mitchell Rickard (2), Sachin Deo, Aiden Holt** and **Natalie Lynch**

AUSTAR

Mosquitoes Squad

This week's **Mosquitoes squad** for the final game of their season against Melbourne is:

Hayden Rickard (Gove)
Justin Smith (Dragons)
Ian Hogan (Palmerston)
Shaun Jolley (Palmerston)
Frank Jennings (University)
Peter Mayo (Dragons)

Damian Heath (Casuarina)
Wise Sekitoga (Palm)
Brett Clifford (Casuarina)
Robbie Davis (Souths)
Jono Schwalger (Alice)
Shaun Boyd (Gove)
Andre Thomas (Grootte)
Salesi Taumalolo (Alice Springs)
Tyson Doughty (Casuarina)

Reserves

Chris Thompson (Casuarina)
Stephen Bunn (University)
Elijah Peart (Souths)
Tim Glover (Dragons)
Shane Crowley (Casuarina)
Vili Leqa (Palmerston)
Jason Clements (Dragons)

Physio Cat

This week, Physio **Cat Waite** provides a reminder about the regulations on head injuries.

'We have had a few players in both U18 Colts and seniors sustain concussions over the past month or so, and I think it advisable that all players be reminded of the guidelines coaches are bound to abide by.'

To refresh everybody's memories: A concussion can be any temporary change in brain function, caused by either a direct blow to the head, or indirectly through the brain being shaken inside the skull. a person sustaining a concussion may not necessarily lose consciousness. **Symptoms are similar to those you would associate with a person being drunk.** They may include dizziness, blurred vision, headache, drowsiness, poor control of movement, altered orientation to time and place, slurred speech or a change in mood / personality (eg from quiet to loud or aggressive or vice versa).

Because the symptoms are similar to those of being drunk, a person who has sustained a concussion cannot be given pain killers or alcohol. The effects of a head injury may

not be evident for several hours afterwards, and either of these substances will mask the true nature of the symptoms as they develop. The player should also be kept awake and under supervision for several hours after the head injury in case of this delayed onset in symptoms.

IRB Regulations: Once a player has sustained a head injury / concussion, **the player is required to sit out of both training and games for 3 weeks from the date of the head injury.** If symptoms persist beyond the 3 week mark, the player is required to continue sitting out until symptoms resolve. Before returning to training and games, the player is required to undergo a medical examination by their doctor and provide the club with written clearance. If they wish to return prior to the 3 week restriction, the player must have clearance from a neurologist (in Darwin that's a 6-12 week wait anyway).

Players U19 have a compulsory 3 week restriction and can not return to training or games prior to this under any circumstances.'

Croc Jottings

CrocTales has been told we breed 'em tough at Palmy.

Apparently, **Scotty Werleman** was bitten on the toe by a King Brown snake and was back playing A Grade inside a fortnight. **No soft crocs here!**

It is also believed that the snake died after being poisoned by Scotty!

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Squitter Leach reports that the rumours came true last week-end. **Shaun 'Gilly' Gill** made a reappearance in a Croc jumper in the B Grade game. Scored a try to boot.

Welcome back Gilly.



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