

Coming Events

A number of senior players are off on a playing **end of season tour** through country NSW on Thursday 7th October. To date I haven't managed to track down their exact schedule or tour party members but I haven't given up yet. Watch this space.

Junior Presentation Night

The clubhouse was filled to overflowing with junior Crocs and their parents last week for the Junior Presentation Night. Although we did not actually win any Grand Finals the junior teams still had a great

season. Our numbers in all teams except the U16s was great with a total of over 120 junior Crocs registered to play.

During the Presentation night, all of the coaches spoke enthusiastically of their players, their efforts and their potential for the future.

Congratulations to all of the players and the individual award winners.

Senior Presentation Night

Under the stars, beside the beach at the Darwin Surf Lifesaving club

was the venue for this year's Presentation Night.

A good crowd enjoyed a night of fine food, cool drinks, music and good company.

My thanks to **Alby Sullivan** (Sully's wife) and her surf boat crew for all of their efforts in making the venue and that very important part, **THE BAR**, work to perfection. My thanks also to **my wife, Marcia, Tom Hurse and Bernie Bree** who all put huge amounts of time and effort into making sure the night came together and went off

Junior Award Winners

U8

Best & Fairest: Jye Snowden
Coaches Award: Natasha Johnson
Most Improved: Ashley Theyers

U10

Best & Fairest: Mitchell Carr
Most Improved: Scott Parsons
Best Tackler: Matthew Akers
Most Consistent: Joshua Rodda

U12

Best & Fairest: Shaun Ley
Most Improved: Shaun Austral
Team Player: Aaron Cotton

U14

Best & Fairest: Kurt Collie-Whakave
Outstanding: Floyd Thompson
Achiever:
Most Improved: Rory Valentin

U16

Best & Fairest: Stephen Bartholdt-Green
Coaches Award: Ian Hogan
Player's Player: Tom Cummins

Senior Award Winners

Club Person of the Year
Lyn and Shane Cotton

Mal & Wendy Leach
Most Promising Player Award
Tom Cummins & Ian Hogan

Nick Woodruff
Squirrel Grip Award
(Highest Point Scorer)
Fred Waianga

A Grade

Best & Fairest: John Sullivan
Best Back: Fred Waianga
Best Forward: James Ballantyne
Coaches Award: Damian Collie

B Grade

Best & Fairest: Sean Killiner
Best Back: Brad Naylor
Best Forward: Scott Reed
Coaches Award: Denny Johnston

C Grade

Best & Fairest: Tom Cummins
Best Back: Mike Palmer
Best Forward: Scott Reed
Coaches Award: Ian Hogan



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without too many hitches. A final **thanks to Dave Ley** who took on the MC duties at the last moment and did a grand job.

I must sit down with a couple of the attendees though and explain that the Presentation Night does not double as the Annual General Meeting. That's right; you will have to come back again to have your vote for next year's Executive.

Thanks for the confidence though.

Congratulations to all of the players and the individual award winners.

Junior Coaches, Managers, Helpers

The club is keen to get arrangements for next year in place as soon as possible. To that end, any person who would like to be involved with the **club's juniors** can register interest and/or have a chat about it with **Alison Snowden**. Contact her on 8932 2719, 0402 865 706 or at alisnowden@bigpond.com.au.

There is a wide range of things that need to be done including: NTJRU Delegate, PRUC Junior Committee members, Coaches (at least 2 per team is our goal), Team Managers, Lines Person on game days, Food Canteen organisers and helpers, Fund Raisers etc etc.

Croc Jottings

Who is the Palmy A Grade player who seems to have found the travel bug? A trip to Alice Springs followed by a week in Cairns and now this week in Sydney & Glen Innes. With the end of season tour still to come. We will have to find someone to volunteer to re-introduce him to the haunts of Darwin when he returns.

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When was the last time that our highest senior points scorer wasn't a goal kicker? Freddie won the inaugural Squirrel Grip Award by scoring tries, 17 of them in fact and kicking 1 lone goal.

To quote the coach "That's what wingers are supposed to do".

Congratulations Freddie.

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I have a video tape of all of the C Grade Grand Final footage shot by the ABC. Does anyone have the technology to copy it and/or put it onto DVD?

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Col "Gecko" Hillery & Kath are getting **MARRIED** this Saturday at the Darwin Uniting Church. Col tells me that all Palmerston Rugby People are invited, especially the **All Conquering C Graders**.

We wish you all the best in your future together.

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I thought the photo below might be medicinal for all of those guys who played throughout the 1980s when John Connolly and his mates dominated the competition. It certainly helps me.

