

This Week's Games

Friday 29 April
Optus Park

At this stage I haven't seen the draw but I do know that **U6, U8 & U10** will all play **5.45pm**. **U12** will play at **5.45pm or 6.30pm**; **U14** will play at **7.15pm or 8.10pm** and **U16** will play at **9.05pm**.
Check with your coach at training.

Saturday 30 April
Optus Park 1

3.30 **C** v Barbarians
5.00 **B** v Souths
6.30 **A** v Souths

A Grade Tooheys New Cup						
	P	W	D	L	BP	PT
Dragons	5	4	0	1	3	19
Souths	4	3	0	1	2	14
Katherine	5	3	0	2	2	14
University	5	3	0	2	2	14
Palmerston	4	1	0	2	1	5
Casuarina	5	0	0	5	0	0

B Grade Abel Finance Cup						
	P	W	D	L	BP	PT
Palmerston	5	4	0	1	3	19
Dragons	5	4	0	1	-2	14
Jabiru	5	2	0	3	2	10
University	4	2	0	2	1	9
Casuarina	5	1	0	4	2	6
Souths	4	1	0	3	-3	1

Coming Events

Next week-end, that is **Saturday 7 May** we play the **Jabiru Bushrats** at **Jabiru**. Get organised now so that you can go. There will be a bus although I am interested in seeing if anyone wants to **take the family and stay over** if we can get a room at a good price. Let me know if you are interested.

Party Cruise Night – Rugby blokes and Netball chicks to meet, mingle and party.
Date: Sunday 1st May;
Location: Meet at Buzz Café - Cullen Bay @ 5:30, board @ 5:45, return to dock @ 9pm;
Cost: \$45 per person; **Theme** is "Red, White & Blue" on a 3 hour Sunset cruise on the Pearl Lugger with nibbles included. Drinks are available on board @ the bar with a free glass of champers at sunset.
Post Cruise: TBA
Contact Kate Chandler on 8901 0230 or kate.chandler@pfes.nt.gov.au.

Last Week's Games

B's v Jabiru

The B Grade got back on the winning list this week with another **big win over the Jabiru Bushrats**. They ran in 10 tries but only managed to kick 1 conversion for a **52 – 10 win**. Since a 6 from 7 goal kicking effort in round 1 against Jabiru the Bs have kicked about 1 from 27 since. Something needs to be done. Score more tries perhaps. We thank the Bushrats for this game as it now allows us to have the Royal Darwin Show week-end off so we can work there. The Bushrats were a little short of numbers so **Matt 'Phang' Pheneey** and **Dan Curtin** played for them. Well done gents.
Try scorers were **Freddie Waianga (5)**, yes 5, **Gareth Felton (2)**, who is currently equal 2nd on the B Grade try scoring list, **Pete Burnheim**, **Paddy Killen** and **Kevin Jones**. **Paddy kicked 1**

conversion. Everybody else who had a go was disgraceful and missed. Well done **Freddie** although **Henry Dau** told me he set you up for most of them.
Best players were **Pete Burnheim**, **Gareth Felton**, **Ian Hogan** and **Freddie**. **Player's player** was **Pete Burnheim**.
Ben Blyton tells me that the pleasing aspects included:

- Keeping going for most of the game despite playing a weakened team; and
- Discipline has been good now for a number of weeks, that is, minimal penalties being given away and no chat to the referee etc.

C's v the Rest

Well the rest failed to show except for Guy from Casuarina but we were there in force. We split into the **Salties** and the **Freshies** under **captains Dennis Bree** and **Dallas Graetz** and proceeded to have a 9 a-side game very expertly **refereed** by **Noel Bree**. A new career perhaps? Same thing next week but hopefully with a few more of ours and some from the other clubs.



The verticals & the horizontals.



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U16 v University

Again we fielded a full team last Friday night including guest player, **Narida Kerr-Barlow** who is on holidays from his NZ school. He wasn't too impressed with the idea of playing prop though given it was the only vacant position on the field. Fortunately he was saved by University being 2 or 3 short so we matched them for numbers and had 2 – 3 reserves.

We ended up **winning 48 – 5** with Snogga only being a little disappointed about letting them in for a try.

Try scorers were **Brett Noakes (2), Mitchell Lawrence, Tom Cummins, Kurt Collie-Wakave, Kane Richards, Tukere Barlow and Blake Chadwick. Kane converted 2 and Tukere converted 2.**

U14 v University

The U14s suffered a **narrow loss to University** this week, **17 – 24**. University got the jump on us early and although we did well to come back we were also unlucky not to convert more attacking efforts into points. Our **tries** were scored by **Rory Valentin (2) and Jack Kypreos**. Best players included **Jack K** with lots of entertaining runs and a great individual tackle on their big centre late in the game, **Jake Noble** with a big effort up front and **Rory** with a solid all round game and the 2 tries. Although we only had 20 players this week we are negotiating with the NTJRU and the Swampdogs to combine and split into 2 teams. That way all of our players will get a full game each week rather than having up to 9 or 10 reserves sitting on the sideline.

U12 v University

Unfortunately another loss for the U12s although they have played all of their games so far this season against the 2

strong teams in this competition, University and Swampdogs. This week it was a **19 – 34 loss**. Keep working hard team; some good wins are just around the corner.

Snow Levavasour scored all 3 of our tries this week and **Shaun Ley converted 2** of them. **Best players** included **Snow, Shaun and Jimmy Kerr**. Coach Tim Jackson will back this week so a lot of hard work is ahead for the team.

U10 v University

Like the U12s, our U10s have started the season with 2 games against each of the stronger clubs in their competition. This week it was University again and we suffered a **7 – 41 loss**. We played with only 9 players this week due to other sporting commitments and injuries. Next week we should have all players back but the coach will be out. (face surgery) The 1st half was close with us only being down by 3 tries but University ran away with 4 more tries and 3 conversions to our 1 converted try in the 2nd half.

Our **try** was scored by **Scott Parsons** and **Jye Snowden** converted it. **Best players** included **Scott Parsons, Nicholas Bell, Ben Kaart and Jye Snowden**.

U8 Blue v University



U8 Action

The **U8 Blues** got back to near full numbers (10 players) this week but it wasn't quite enough to get them a win. Every player put in a great effort but we **lost 15 – 20**. Our **tries** were scored by **Riley Hogan**

(2) and Liam Langley. Best players included **Ben Dummet** and **John Lynch**. **Coach Jamie** says we were out numbered for a while, but the team played a very fast game with the focus on going forward. Our defence showed a few holes that we are still trying to fix but apart from that, an excellent game all round.

U6

One less U6 player this week (all Crocs), so we had 7 on 7. The Reds ran out 3 – 0 winners with **Koby Snowden, Dlynn Felton and Summah Kidney** scoring the tries. **Dlynn** obviously set the standard for Dad who went on and scored 2 tries in the B Grade game on Saturday.



U6 Action

Crocs Netball

No detailed results from the netball this week although I have heard that the C Grade have continued on their merry, winning way.

Brisbane Test

This year the **Test match** in Brisbane is on **2 July against France**. Again, all past Crocs in the South East Queensland area and beyond will be gathering for lunch to renew acquaintances before heading off to enjoy the game together. Work is well under way to secure tickets so details of attendees are now required. In Brisbane Tony Burns (anthonyburns@optusnet.com.au or 0407 197 524) is taking details while in Darwin you can contact me at palmerstonrugby@octa4.net.au or 8924 7033.



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