

## Upcoming Games

**SATURDAY 1<sup>st</sup> April**

**Magela Field Jabiru**

Round 2

4.00 **B** v Jabiru

**SATURDAY 8<sup>th</sup> April**

**Austar Rugby Park 2**

Round 3

4.30 **B** v University

6.00 **A** v University

## Coming Events

### Jabiru Trip

This Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> April, is our first B Grade trip to **Jabiru** for the year. All players are encouraged to make themselves available.

A 22 seat bus will be **leaving Austar Rugby Park at 11.00am** and the **Clubhouse at 11.30am** for the trip down. The game kicks off at 4.00pm.

The bus will cost \$25 including some refreshments on the homeward trip.

## Last Week's Games

### A v Casuarina

We have again started the season with a **loss, 3 - 14** to Casuarina. There was plenty of commitment from all players but we seemed to lack cohesion. I am sure we will be much better for the run.

**Jono Schwalger** at half back had a great game. **George Hatzismalis** at prop, **Brock Evans** at #8 and **Nick Barlow** on the wing were strong and **Shane Stockert**

at fullback looked dangerous when he got the ball.

### B v Casuarina

The Mighty Bs started the season with a hard fought **win, 15 - 8**, against Casuarina.

There were a range of new players in this team who all went well. **Garry King** at #8 was very busy and effective, **Jed Watson** at hooker went well and **Honehau Ahipene** scored a great individual try. Coach **Ben 'Burley' Blyton** was also especially pleased with the 3 new juniors making their senior debuts, **Michael Killiner**, **Jack Rotticci** and **Steven Bartholdt-Green**. **Steven**, who is a lock, was very worried about his coach when just before kick-off he was asking him to play on the wing. He was sure there must have been someone

## Killiner family affair

The B grade game was also a family affair. With **Michael Killiner** making his senior debut, **Dad Sean 'Boulder' Killiner**, has been motivated to go around for at least one more season.

If that wasn't enough they combined for the **try of the season** so far.

Unfortunately I missed it while off capturing another historic moment but as best I can it seems it happened this way.

According to **Burley Ben**, he did all of the work, taking the ball forward strongly through the entire Casuarina forward pack he was eventually stopped and as he always does presented the ball beautifully. **Sean**,



faster than him available. Fortunately some other backs did turn up.

on seeing this effort, decided if **Ben** can do it he can to, so he picked the ball up and charged forward into the



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large gap **Ben** had created. Now I'm not sure just why he didn't go all the way to the line but I'm sure he will tell you if you ask. Getting caught / slowed he hears a big call of **DAD!!** beside him. Reacting instinctively, as you do, he off loads to son **Michael** who powers over to score the try. I have been assured by many that it was beautiful to watch and we all look forward to many more through out the season.

## Senior Refereeing Debut

As well as players making their senior playing debuts, we also had a referee



making his senior debut last week-end. **Jacob Kerr-**

**Barlow** refereed the B Grade game between South Darwin and Dragons. As you can see in the picture he certainly looks the goods and I'm sure he did a great job. It is so easy to forget that he is still only **13 years of age**. **Congratulations Jacob** on a great achievement and all the best for the future.

This weekend he will be refereeing our B Grade game at Jabiru.

## Richardson and Wrench

During the week, **Richardson and Wrench** confirmed their ongoing commitment as a major sponsor of the club for the 2006 season. A great big thank you to **Dave Ley** and **Don Parmenter** for their continued support.

They will continue to be proudly displayed on all of our junior and senior shirts, hats etc.

So for all of your real estate needs including **purchases, sales and property management** give them a call on 8924 0400, check out their web site at

<http://www.rwdarwin.com.au/> or drop into their office at



Unit 3/68 Marina Boulevard, Cullen Bay.

## Croc Jottings

And the final debut for this week goes to young **Patrick Emmett**.

Patrick was determined to not miss seeing his Dad, **Ben Emmett**, in action in the A Grade so he made sure Mum, **Fiona**, packed everything he could need and along they came.

I think he was inspired by the Killiner effort in B Grade and is wondering if Dad can keep playing rugby long enough to play with him.

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The Croc Shop has been restocked, polos, caps, embroidered rugby shorts, stickers, croc singlets etc. Stock list & prices will be in next week's CrocTales.



## This week-end at the Top End Hotel

- Friday Lunches @ Honey Pot Club 12 - 4pm (\$60) 3 course meal plus show
- Chase the Ace @ Lizards Bar this Friday 5-8pm. Be there for your chance to win \$3,200
- Live music Friday & Saturday night from 8pm
- **Goose Club Raffle @ Lizards Bar - Fridays 6-8pm for Palmerston Rugby Union Club**
- Darwin Cricket club Raffles - Saturday night from 6pm
- Extreme Dream Give-away draw No.4. - Saturday night - Be there to win \$100 prize pack Draw 8pm, plus go in the draw for the \$10,000 give-away drawn 6th May 8pm @ Lizards

