

Upcoming Games

SATURDAY 1st April

Magela Field Jabiru

Round 2

4.00 **B** v Jabiru

SATURDAY 8th April

Austar Rugby Park 2

Round 3

4.30 **B** v University

6.00 **A** v University

Coming Events

Jabiru Trip

This Saturday, 1st 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

