

Upcoming Games

SATURDAY 15th July

AUSTAR Rugby Park 1

3.30 **B** v Casuarina
 5.00 **A** v Casuarina

TUESDAY 18th July

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TBA NT Schoolboys v
 Old Swinford Hospital School

See the full draw in the
[Resource Library](#) on our
 webpage.

A Grade Tooheys New Cup							
	P	W	D	L	BP	PT	
Dragons	12	8	0	4	9	41	
Uni versi ty	12	8	1	3	6	40	
Palmerston	12	7	0	5	8	36	
Souths	12	5	0	7	3	23	
Casuari na	12	1	1	9	1	7	

B Grade Abel Finance Cup							
	P	W	D	L	JF	BP	PT
Palmerston	15	14	0	1	0	8	64
Jabi ru	13	7	0	6	0	7	38
Dragons	15	8	0	7	1	6	34
Casuari na	15	6	0	9	0	9	33
Uni versi ty	14	8	0	6	1	4	32
Souths	14	0	0	14	1	1	0

Coming Events

Player's Tea

TONIGHT, Thursday, 13th
 July it is **Player's Tea** night
 including a **Guest Speaker**.

Be there with your mates and
 begin **preparing for the last**
round of the competition.

Vince's 40th Birthday C Grade Clash

Yes, it is definitely happening
 on **Wednesday 19th with a**
6.00pm kick off and we
 need all hands on deck.

Vince Kelly wants to
 celebrate the turning of 40 in

a big way. He has
challenged the Stray Cats
to a game against the
 Palmerston Crocs C Grade
to welcome in his 41st year.

Let Noel Bree (8924 5045 or
 noel.bree@powerwater.com.
 au) or I know you will be
 there before we start chasing
 you.

Ian Hogan's 18th Birthday

At the other end of the
 spectrum, **Ian Hogan** will be
 celebrating his 18th birthday
 with a gathering at the Trailer
 Boat club on **Saturday 22nd**
July. Events get underway
 from 6.30pm for 7.00pm.

Dinner is available from the
 Bistro at the Club.

All club members and
 supporters are welcome **BUT**
you must RSVP to dad,
 Peter, so he can keep things
 organised with the Trailer
 Boat Club. He can be
 contacted on
hoges@ozconnect.net or
on 8901 1344 or 0413 476
648.

Darwin Show Garbage Services

This year our commitments
 run from **Thursday 27th July**
to Sunday 30th July. We
 don't have any senior rugby
 this week-end.

At this stage I still need a few
 more people for **Friday**
night, Saturday and
Saturday night shifts. I ask
 people to give me a full day
 (7:00am – 5:00pm) or night
 (5:00pm – 1:00am) shift if at
 all possible.

Give me a call NOW on
0401 111 700 and nominate
 yourself and a couple of
 mates for one of these
 shifts.

Last Week's Games

A v Dragons

It's better it came to an end
 now than on Grand Final
 day. We now have time to
 get the show back on track
 leading into the finals.

We scored a pile of points,
 including 3 conversions
 (probably the most we have
 kicked for ages) but our
 defence wasn't up to the
 task and **Dragons got away**
with a 48 – 36 win.

Coach Connop thought that
 the players played very well
 and that it was unfortunate
 we lost concentration and a
 bit of focus. Now that we
 have come down to reality,
 we can start the process of
 building up again.

Unfortunately we suffered a
 few injuries during the
 game, **Vili** limping off with a
 foot problem, **Tom Hurse**
 succumbing to a knee injury
 during the evening and **Ben**
Emmett re-shaping his nose
 again.

Tries were scored by **Jono**
Schwalger (2), Brock
Evans, Nick Barlow, Vili
Leqa and Shane
Stoeckert. Nick Barlow
 kicked three conversions.

For the 2nd week in a row,
 both the **Coaches Award**
 and the **Player's Player**
 award went to the same
 person, this week



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congratulations to Jono Schwalger.

B v Dragons

Dragons told us early on Saturday that they thought they might struggle to get a team together for this game but in the end it looked like we struggled just as much.

What happened to all those guys that we there last week?

We need them back because from what I can work out we have a heap of guys out injured etc this week-end.

In the end we scraped away with a **14 – 5** win.

Tries were scored by **Damian Smith** and **Freddie Waianga**. Welcome back Freddie. **Paul Veach** converted both tries.

The **Player's Player Award** went to **Leigh Stait**.

Connop's Corner

Players need to let Ben and I know if they cannot make training and/or the game as it's unfair on other guys who turn up and play.

Well done to the B Grade on a successful win, however, the A Grade now needs to really focus on their game and nothing else, forget the referee and play above that, always play to the whistle no matter what. Well done to all and see you all at training.

Congratulations to Jono Schwalger on his awards and on his two great tries.

My other team, the Indigenous U16 team defeated the visiting Scottish Strathallan School boys, 15 – 10, on Sunday night and what a game! It was very fast, with lots of very good football to watch! (and coach)

Croc Shop

Have you got yours yet? If not, you better be quick.

PRUC ties - \$40

PRUC Kit Bags - \$10

Check them out at the clubhouse or see Ben Emmett or Craig Leach.

Player fees must be up to date to get these great prices.

Interstate orders can be arranged plus packaging & postage. Talk to **Cube (0403 219 789)** or **Squirter (0412 377 578)**.

Lost Boots

Shock, horror!! If he can't find them he might have to retire from playing.

Ben Blyton left his size 13 **Canterbury**, low cut, (I thought the rules said tight forwards had to wear the real thing) **screw in tag boots** behind after the games last Saturday.

Did you pick them up for him?

If so, bring them to training tonight and put us all out of our misery.

Goose Club Roster

This Friday night it is back to the start of the roster so it must be the **A Grade forwards** turn. Next Friday it will be the **B Grade forwards** turn.

Be there at by 6.00pm in your club shirt.

Date Claimers

Get these dates in your diaries **NOW**.

19th August - the **NTJRU** will be holding a juniors fundraising evening on the **19th August**.

The venue and guest speaker are being confirmed but it will commence with the Bledisloe Cup Test kicking off at 5pm with the function to commence straight after. **2nd September – NTRU Presentation Night** @ the Deck Bar. Same format as last year where your club will be subsidizing tickets for players.

This is a great event so don't miss out.

Croc Jottings

I hear that more ex-Crocs have snuck into town.

Jeremy Bright, who now hails from Orange in NSW, is in town for a couple of weeks and will be at the games on the week-end to catch up with any old (and probably new) drinking buddies.

There are also rumours of one ex Palmie five-eighth /



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This week-end at the Top End Hotel

- Thursday nights - Trivia with Shelley from 6.30pm, then stick around for the Footy Show on the big screen.
- Friday Lunches @ Honey Pot Club - 12 - 4pm (\$60) 3 course meal plus show
- Chase the Ace @ Lizards Bar this Friday 5-8pm - Over \$1,000 up for grabs + Music playing from 8pm
- **Goose Club Raffle @ Lizards Bar - Fridays 6-9pm for Palmerston Rugby Union Club**
- Darwin Cricket club Raffles - Saturday night from 6pm + Live music from 8pm on Saturday
- The Sunday Sesh is back - Music from 4pm.



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centre / fullback (and ex-President) who will be returning north in the coming weeks and is keen for a game while here.

I understand that **Michael Barnard** has gone to great lengths to get out of the annual Brisbane Palmie Reunion Bash before the All Blacks game by making the trip to Darwin instead.

The word from down south is that Michael is **very keen for a hit out on the field** while in town and to prove his long held views that "You don't need any skills to play in the forwards & the tight five are nancy boys". Over to **Coach Blyton** for some lessons.

For those heading to the **Wallabies v Springboks game** this weekend in Brisbane there will be a small gathering at "**The Normanby**" before hand. I am assured it is just a 10-15 minute walk to the ground from there. If you aren't going to the game then they will have **big screens there**.

Tony Burns says nothing formal is planned, so arrive as early or late as you wish.

He'll try and book a table for anyone who wants to have a feed before the game. He thinks meals start about 5.30pm or 6pm and the game kicks off at 8pm.

Saturday's Brisbane gathering is just a trial run for the "**Handbags and Gladrags**" All Blacks game a fortnight later. Tony is sure there will be some strategic planning done on the day to finalise arrangements for that big event so you will have an opportunity to contribute. No one will really be listening but it's a great opportunity regardless.

The **two key issues** he does need advice on are:

- what dress does **Al Watson** need to come up with to match his Chris Masoe handbag; and
- how many metres should **Mike Wilson** add to his 'stuff legends are made of' try in 1979 so he stays in front of Greg Holmes?

Narada Kerr-Barlow looks to be going from strength to strength with his rugby in New Zealand. Watch out the 2012 Wallabies.

Recently his school team played in a tournament on the Gold Coast. Not only did they **win their division** but **Narada** was selected in the "team of the tournament".

Congratulations Narada.

to spend some time with Narada.

Michael 'Scratchy' Scaturchio has emailed from Italy to correct an inaccuracy in last week's CrocTales.

He quite rightly points out that **Keve 'the destroyer' Jones** is in fact from Papua New Guinea not Fiji.

My apologies Keve.

Scratchy also notes it might be safe for him to return to the Crocs and **not be put in the 2nd row**. There is no way he could compete with the experience (or size) of **Burley Ben Blyton** and **Craig 'Squitter' Leach**.



John Milo looking as good (or better) as in his playing days

Mum, **Gail**, still thought the best part of the week was the fact that she and **Jacob** got



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