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Under 14 Grand Finalists

Back row: Shane Cotton (Coach), Bradley Hogan, Aaron Cotton, Patrick Dalzyel, Jacob Nobel, William Tink, Jarod Donovan, Ryan Gilson, Lyn Cotton (Manager)

Middle row: Jordan Bishell, Jacob Gilson, Henry Burgess, Dean Staunton (Captain).

Front Row: Jim Kerr, Dylan Wyles-Kelly, Hayden Austine, Jacob Gill, Mathew Connop, James Stoker.

Missing: Jacob Kerr-Barlow



Coming Events PRUC Annual General Meeting

The Constitution says 'The **Annual General Meeting** of the club shall be held on a date to be fixed by the Executive as soon as practical after the 30th September of each year.'

So, **watch out for information** on the date and time and get yourself along to help to put **next year's Committee** together.

2006 National U16 Championships

These will be held at St Ignatius' College Riverview in Sydney from Sunday 1 October to Friday 6 October 2006. Matches will be played on Monday 2 October, Wednesday 4 October and Friday 6 October 2006.

The 26 man training squad has been trimmed to the **final 23 man squad** and all 8 Crocs Colts, **Fred Norris, Blake Bishell, Kurt Collie-Whakave, Robbie Cotter, Jai Wyles-Kelly, Rodrigo Barua, Ben Smith and Jacob Collins** have been selected. Congratulations

guys, go hard and do yourselves proud.

The team is coached by **Craig Leach**, the Assistant Coach is **Dan Simmonds**, Manager is **Dan McIntyre** and Physio is **Cat Waite** – all from Palmerston Rugby Union Club.

U14 Grand Finalists

As reported last week, our **U14 team** also played in its Grand Final the week-end before last and although beaten did itself and the club **very proud**. My thanks to coach **Shane Cotton** for



providing the team photo above.

Junior's Wrap

Junior Coordinator **Alison Snowden** has provided the following wrap-up of the junior season for CrocTales.

'We had another great season for the Juniors this year with **105 players** registering.

Once again we had teams in every age group with our numbers in the U16s this year being the highest we have ever had - 33 players.

Our **U6s, U8s and U14s** all played on **Grand Final day** with all of our kids playing exceptionally well and were unfortunate not to win on the day.

Our **U10s, U12s and U16s** all deserved to be there on Grand Final day after their **great seasons**, but unfortunately only two teams can play on the day.

I will be **stepping down** from the **Junior Coordinator** role for next season so if you would like to take on the role, let me know.

Now is also the time to plan for next season with all **coaching and manager positions** becoming **vacant**.

If you can help out in any way next season - please let me know.

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On behalf of all the junior players and parents, I would like to **thank this year's junior coaches and managers**.

U8's Blake Bishell for helping me, his assistance was invaluable, **Tania Mullen** for managing the team and washing the jerseys.

U10's Jamie Akers and Kylie Grainger for managing and washing jerseys. Thanks should also go to **Nick Slater** (Slats) for helping Jamie at the start of the season before being deployed, and to **Mel** for helping out towards the end of the season.

U12's Darren Bishell - who came back from overseas deployment and stepped in to take over the coaching role from **Cat Waite** (thanks also to Cat for helping out at the beginning of the season). Thanks to **Louise Bishell** for managing the team and washing the jerseys.

U14's Shane Cotton - who kindly stepped into the role after returning from Gove - (**Robbie Taylor** had been training the U14s until a coach could be found - thanks also Robbie). Thanks to **Lyn Cotton** for managing the team and you guessed it washing the jerseys.

U16's Colin 'Snogga' Snowden and Robbie Taylor for coaching. Our boys were unlucky and a special thanks to **Pauline Wyles** for washing the jerseys for the U16s.

Congratulations to our U16 players who were selected as Mosquitoes Academy and NT representatives this season. Your efforts and hard work throughout the season were rewarded.

I would also like to mention that **Freddy Norris** has been selected to play for the **Australian Lloyd McDermott 1st XV**; he will be traveling to NZ to play rugby, before returning to Sydney to join our NT boys at the National U16 Championships.

Congratulations again to all our Palmy boys and Good Luck.....

I would also like to say **Thanks** for all your efforts to **'Ned' Kelly** for helping out throughout the season, running water for teams, cooking the BBQ's etc.

Pauline and Ned are always on hand to help out when things need doing - your time is very much appreciated. **Thank you.**

Without these people volunteering their time, we would not have a junior rugby club - **THANK YOU** from all the children of Palmerston Rugby Union Club. I look forward to more parents lending a helping hand next season.

I would also like to thank **Tania Mullen** from **Brumbys** for sponsoring our **Player's Player Award** throughout the season with Brumbys vouchers, and for the vouchers given to all players on Presentation Day. I hope they don't all turn up for their

Happy Birthday!!

<i>Paddy Killen</i>	18 on 23 rd
<i>Robbie Taylor</i>	23 on 29 th
<i>Karl McFarland</i>	28 on 29 th
<i>Dave Ley</i>	45 on 30 th



This week-end at the Top End Hotel

- Friday Lunches @ Honey Pot Club - 12 - 4pm (\$60) 3 course meal plus show
- Chase the Ace for \$1200 @ Lizards Bar this Friday 5-8pm
- **Goose Club Raffle @ Lizards Bar - Fridays 6-9pm for Palmerston Rugby Union Club**
- Bob's Your Uncle playing on Friday from 8pm
- Saturday and Sunday from 12 noon till late is Beer, Bundy, Bourbon Festival time
- Live Music from 5 pm Saturday and 4pm Sunday



pizza & muffins on the same day!!!!

Lastly I would like to thank **Shamrock Homes, CattleDog Contracting, Direct Current Electrical and Blizzard Air & Refrigeration** for sponsoring the new jerseys for our U14s and U16s.'

PRUC Presentation Night

What a great night under the stars on a strip of land jutting out into Darwin Harbour.

First of all let me congratulate all of the people who worked extremely hard over the last couple of weeks to put this night together. I'm not sure exactly who they all were so if I fail to mention you, please do not be offended. Get even and send me an email and I will correct down the track.

People I do know who should be thanked include: Pres. **Dan 'Dick & Ribs' McIntyre**, our new **Club Person of the Year**, **Ben 'Cube' Emmett**, **Brock Evans**, **Percy Peel** and trophy man **Bernie Bree**.

Our thanks also to the caterers, **Glen Tanonef** and his team from **Eventfully Yours** and the band, **Loaded**. What a great, effective way to organise a stage, the back of a flat bed truck.

Finally, thank you to our sponsors who were able to make it along and help out with the presentations. **James Mansfield & Liz Pearse** from Ensign Laundry; **Gail Barlow** from m&l financial and Shamrock Homes, **Sharmay Ley** from Richardson & Wrench; **Matt Cabot** from the Bank of Queensland and **Gavin Pocock** from Blizzard Air and Refrigeration. Thank you also

Senior Award Winners

Club Person of the Year
Ben Emmett

Mal & Wendy Leach - Most Promising Player Award
Michael Killiner

Nick Woodruff Award
(Highest Point Scorer)
Jack Rotticci

A Grade

Best & Fairest
Jono Schwalger

Best Back
Vili Leqa

Best Forward
Dan Maroulis

Coaches Award
Nick Barlow

B Grade

Best & Fairest
Leigh Stait

Best Back
Kev Jones

Best Forward
Michael Killiner

Coaches Award
Ashley Binding

NTRU – ABC Player of the Year
Jono Schwalger

to our local MLA, **James Burke** and wife **Sharon** for attending.

Connop's Corner

Coach Connop was very impressed with the way all the teams progressed this year. I totally enjoyed coaching the Crocs and look forward to doing the same next year. I would definitely look for a Grand Final win next year.

I would also like to say thanks to **Ben Blyton, Bernie**

Bree, Craig Leach and **Sully** for assisting me throughout the year and the rest of the Committee for having me this year.

I am also very impressed with our juniors and their coaches, managers and coordinators, my sons have enjoyed their season with the Crocs juniors.

A special mention to **Mr. and Mrs. Leach**, thanks kindly for their support. Also I would like to say thank you to all the sponsors, not many of whom I met, but there is always a chance for next year.

Well done to **Danny McIntyre** and the Committee for putting in the hard work that not many players know about and a big thank you to **Garry Russell** for supporting me all year, **Cat the Physio**, and special thanks to **Robbie Taylor** for managing the team.

Well done on the Presentation Night great food, drinks and great sunset!

Goose Club Roster

Yes, it is continuing and it is back to the start of the roster again with the A Grade forwards on this week. Be there by 6.00pm to do your duty.

Next Friday it will be the **B Grade forwards** turn.

Croc Jottings

Welcome to the world, **Ashley Dee Johnson**. Born 9.12am Wednesday 20 September, 3.71kg and 52cm.

Congratulations to proud parents Sam and Alexa.

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