

## Upcoming Games

**FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> April &  
SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> April**

EASTER – no games

**FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> April**  
School holidays  
no junior games

**SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> April**  
AUSTAR Rugby Park 2

4.00 **U18** v Casuarina  
5.30 **B** v Dragons  
7.00 **A** v Dragons

**FRIDAY 20<sup>th</sup> April**  
AUSTAR Rugby Park 1

6.00 **U6**  
6.00 **U8** v Swampdogs Blu  
6.00 **U10** v Swampdogs Blu  
7.40 **U14** v University  
**AUSTAR Rugby Park 2**  
6.50 **U12** v Casuarina  
8.40 **U16** v Swampdogs

A Grade Tooheys New Cup						
	P	W	D	L	BP	PT
Dragons	3	3			2	14
Souths	4	2		2		8
Palmerston	3	1		2	3	7
Casuarina	3	1		2	1	5
University	3	1		2		4

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

U18 Colts Standings						
	P	W	D	L	BP	PT
Palmerston	4	4			3	19
Dragons	4	2		2	2	10
Cas-Souths	4	2		2	1	9
University	4			4		

## Coming Events

### Club Captain Election

At the Clubhouse after training  
next **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April**.  
Check out the duties on the  
noticeboard.

## Last Week's Games

**B v Jabiru**

At the 11<sup>th</sup> hour or more  
precisely about 8:30am on  
Saturday the decision was  
finally taken that it was  
**impractical for us to get to  
Jabiru** for the game.

The Arnhem Highway was  
closed and advice from  
Government was that the  
Kakadu Highway was also in a  
pretty bad way and we were  
looking at a 5 hour bus trip to  
get there and more home in  
the dark.

I think the NTRU have agreed  
to the game being declared a  
non-event and 3 points  
awarded to both teams.

My thanks to **Coach Killiner**  
and all of the dedicated souls  
who were still ready to go  
even as we cancelled the trip.  
**Your spirit is fantastic.**

**U18 v University**

Another great victory for the  
Palmerston Colts.

**Palmerston 32 d University 0**

**Coach Cotts** says:

*'A game played in difficult  
condition: stinking hot at the  
start, then some rain, then the  
rain stopped and then a  
torrential downpour.*

*The game was thrilling to  
watch from the crowd's  
perspective despite the  
conditions. Not so for the  
coaching staff. We had a lot  
of turnovers and silly penalties*

*costing us field position and  
the chance to build pressure.  
This gives us something to  
work on at training.*

*All of the boys played  
extremely well, as this was the  
first game this season we  
haven't had reserves. Thanks  
to **Paul Moir** for doing the  
stats on Saturday and **Jordan  
Bishell** for running the line.  
The biggest THANKS goes to  
**Wesley Davies** for running  
water and messages,  
hopefully we can have him  
back playing in our team in the  
near future.*

*The boys want to thank all of  
the Palmy crowd for their  
attendance again, hopefully  
you all enjoyed the game as  
much as they did.*

**TRIES: Steve Carter (2), Jai  
Wyles-Kelly, Michael  
Killiner, Robbie Cotter, Kane  
Richards.**

**CONVERSIONS: Robbie  
Cotter**

**Player's Player: Steve Carter**  
**Coach's Award: Steve Carter'**

**U16 v Souths**

**Palmerston 35 d Souths 0** on  
forfeit.

**U14 v Dragons**

**Coach Donovan** reports this  
week that:

*'Once again the U14's showed  
a big improvement with a lot of  
emphasis being put into  
defense at training which  
resulted in a much improved  
score line. **Palmerston 5 lost  
to Dragons 27.***

*Also the work  
done on our  
line outs  
resulted in us  
winning  
several*



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contests for the ball against the throw in. The set moves from the lineout also **paid dividends with our first try** for the season. One of the more pleasing aspects to this week's game was the number of phases we were able to put together and the field position we gained.

The backs were able to capitalise on the good field position with a number of good back line moves put together only to be stopped by a very determined opposition. Testament to this was **Tyler Donovan** being voted with 1 point in a great effort from one of the smallest players on the team. The team's fitness is now starting to get better and the reserves are finding it hard to make the field because of it.

Other **points winners** this week were **Snow Leavavasour** (tight head) with 2 points and **Brad Hogan** (flanker) covering a lot of ground picking up his 3 points. Obviously the judges weren't too far off the mark with **Snow** also picking up **Player's player**.

The **Coaches McDonalds Restaurant award** went to **Jack Hamilton** who trained his socks off last week with the results showing in the game with his cleaning out and getting to the breakdown something everyone else should take note of.'

Try scorer: **Wade Burgkenhagen**

#### U12 v Swampdogs

Palmerston 17 d Swampdogs 10

Tries were scored by **Brandon Knight, Cody**

#### Happy Birthday!!

Todd Harrison 26 on 6<sup>th</sup> Apr

Patrick Elliott 17 on 7<sup>th</sup> Apr

Dan Taylor 28 on 8<sup>th</sup> Apr

Jack Kypreos 16 on 9<sup>th</sup> Apr

**McFarlane, Joel Hogan and Jye Snowden** kicked a **conversion**.

The previous week against University our best players were: **Joel Hogan, Ryan Cotton, Ben Kaart and Mitchell Heath**.

#### U10 v Dragons

Palmerston 0 lost to Dragons 45

#### U8 v Dragons

Palmerston 35 d Dragons 0 on forfeit.

#### U6 v Swampdogs

Palmerston 15 lost to Swampdogs 20

Our **tries** were scored by **Cody Akers, Darcy Holmes and Jacob Blyton**.

Jacob's Dad, **Burley Ben Blyton**, was thrilled with Jacob's first rugby try and is convinced 'a **new generation of try scoring machine**' has emerged. We can only hope he is right and that he surpasses his Dad's try scoring feats while still a junior. Many would say that won't be hard.

#### Bree's Bits & Pieces

'Training numbers were really strong last Thursday and it allows us to really get into the nuts and bolts of the game. We had the **tight forwards on the scrum machine** and I could just see the happiness in **Vince's** eyes as he strode off over the hill with his big burley friends.

We are also able to start to do many of our decision making drills with runners in their actual positions so it becomes more real.

With Easter coming and another week of no games **please don't disappear**. This is a great time for building on what we have been trying to achieve, that is, **making decisions based on what is in front of us** not using predetermined moves, having great support lines and

winning crucial engagements such as scrums, lineouts, rucks and mauls.

#### We Need You!

I'm still hoping that some helpful person will put their hand up to **manage the A Grade team**. It is essential that someone be available on a regular basis on Saturdays to assist with game preparation. It really is fun and it's great to be involved with a terrific bunch of people...and me.

If you can make Tuesday and Thursday as well then that's great.

**Contact Bernie** (0419 189 331) and the job is yours.'

#### Birth Certificates

Have you handed yours in yet? If not, please do so as soon as you can.

Players **without birth certificates** after the 15<sup>th</sup> April **won't be able to play**.

#### Goose Club

As it is Easter, the Goose Club is **happening TONIGHT**.

**Michael Killiner** and team will be rushing in after training to help the Honey Pot girls finish the selling and do the draw.

#### Sponsors



There is a bright new star in Darwin. **Dave and Sharmay Ley** have opened the Professionals Darwin at 3/68 Marina Boulevard Cullen Bay. If you are **selling, buying or renting real estate** then they are the people to see.

**Call them on 08 8924 0400.**

Of course they have continued their support of the club and you can see their new logo on our polo shirts.

The visiting national CEO and Chairman of the Professionals



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were very impressed with our polo shirts.

**Thanks Dave & Sharmay and congratulations on your new venture.**



This week we can announce **continued support** from long term sponsor's Shamrock Homes and M&L Financial.

Shamrock Homes will again be sponsoring the Darwin Show workers shirts as well as their ongoing support of our junior teams.

**Thank you to Michael Moriarty and Gail Barlow** for their continued support.

Gail is also **sponsoring the after game sports drinks** for the U18 team. All the players say a very BIG thank you.



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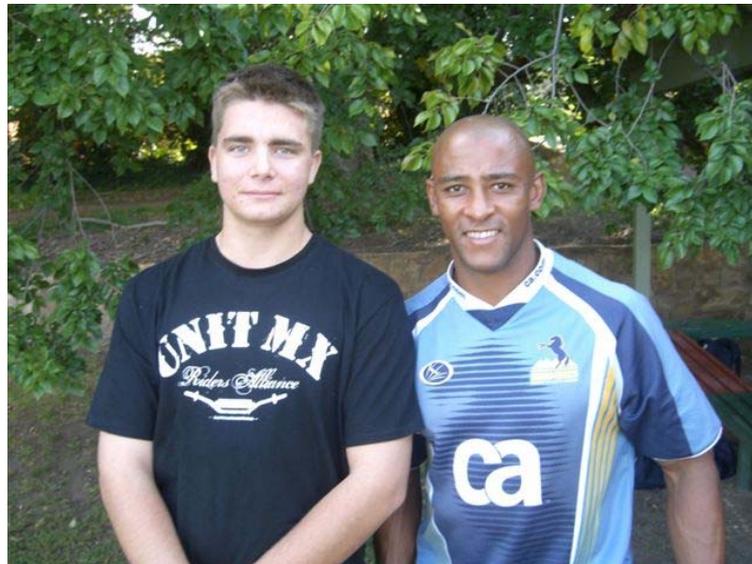
Rob Wilson from **McDonalds Palmerston** has come on board to support our U14 team with a weekly meal voucher for the **Coach's Encouragement Award**.

Thank You Rob.

### Senior Draw

It looks like the senior competition draw has now been finalised with confirmation of details for a number of the representative fixtures.

The full details can be found on the NTRU website at: <http://ntru.rugbynet.com.au/default.asp?id=102311>



It looks **Jake Noble** got an early start to the school holidays. Here it is with George Gregan at Brumbies training yesterday.

### Croc Jottings

**Scott Werleman** has taken the plunge and jumped on board to help out with the **coaching** of the U12 team. **Thanks Scott**, I'm sure you will find it very rewarding.

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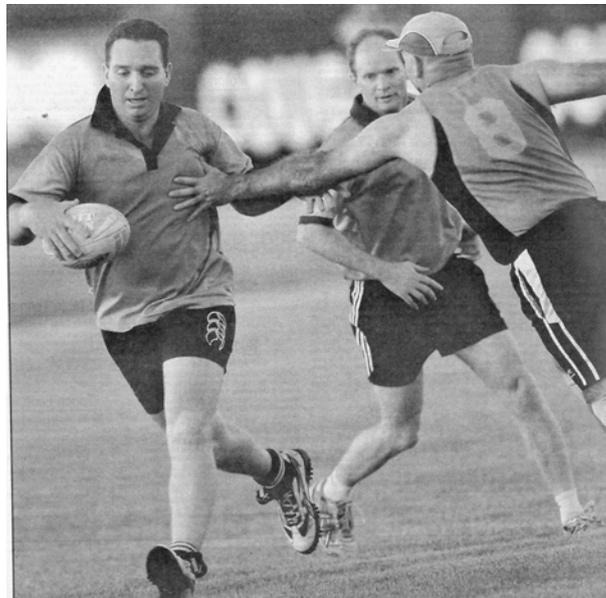
**Tim Heath**, CEO of the NT Rugby Union is looking for someone who is flying from **Sydney to Darwin** on the 26<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup> April. I'm not sure why but I'm sure he would appreciate it if you know of someone. Tim can be contacted on 08 8945 1444.

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Everyone at Palmerston Rugby Union Club

congratulates **Todd Harrison** and **Nichole Hadley** on their recent engagement.

Now when's the wedding – not during the season and not on a Test match night!!



Who is this man on the left? He is a little older and with a bit more padding but still displaying that strong running style he was noted for. **Tim Curran** on the touch field in Darwin earlier this week.

The man in the middle is **Peter Hourigan** who also played for the club many years ago.



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## 2007 New Zealand Schools 7s Team

Check out the guy 2<sup>nd</sup> from the right in the back row. Yes, it's none other **Narada Kerr-Barlow**. Congratulations Narada, what a fantastic effort.

**Palmerston Rugby Union Club salutes you.**