

"OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY NEWS"

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ARE YOU GUILTY ?.....

Every year, almost without exception, whinges, complaints, criticisms and rumours start to fly around in the early part of the season. Strangely enough (or is it ?) the whingers, stirrers, rumour-mongers and rumour-spreaders are almost invariably those who do little or nothing toward the activities of the Club, either administratively or socially. Nor, generally speaking, do they bother to attend the Annual General Meeting where important decisions are made and the elections of office bearers, committeemen and selectors are carried out. Only 29 turned up at the A.G.M. held in February.

Some people seem to think that the members of the committee, coach and selectors are some kind of psychological 'supermen' who should be able to satisfy everybody, players and non-players alike - all at the same time. An impossible task I assure you. Please bear in mind that if any member of the Club has a complaint or some constructive criticism to make, he is welcome to attend a management committee meeting or write to the secretary. Constructive criticism we welcome -destructive criticism is white-anting and not required.

On the other hand, if you haven't got a legitimate complaint, get behind your committee and make 1971 one of the best years ever. All the signs are good, as witnessed by the teams performances, the numbers at training (in pretty miserable conditions lately), the crowd at the Feathers and last, but by no means least, the enthusiasm being displayed by the younger members.

So let's get on with playing the game as it should be played and enjoy the good fellowship and companionship that goes hand in hand with (and indeed, is an essential part of) any good Club.

B.L. HANCOCK.  
PRESIDENT.

RESULTS 1.5.71

1sts	beat	West Torrens	9 - 0
2nds	lost to	Elizabeth	3 - 11
3rds	beat	West Torrens	42 - 3
4ths	beat	Elizabeth	11 - 3

FROM THE TOUCHLINE

The First XV won their fourth successive match last week when they defeated West Torrens 9 - 0. As in the previous match the teams had to bear showers and a mushy ground, thereby finding conditions pretty unpleasant. Collegians team comprised of D. Millar, Jacobs, Moulinie, O'Sullivan, Schwartzner, Watters, Bainbridge, Edwards, Desfontaines, Hauser, Franks, Press, Guerin, Manson and G. Millar.

The end result indicates a comfortable win for Collegians, but the general run of play was evenly contended, despite the oppositions players numbering only 14 men for most of the match. Although a number of Torrens' players gave me the impression that they didn't know much about playing rugby, their stalwart players provided tough opposition for Collegians who were finding it difficult to play open football under the bad conditions. Our scrum work was good, our lineout play was fine, our rucking proved strong, but the mud slowed the attacking movements and Torrens had time to defend vigorously. This certainly does not detract anything from our back line, for we saw some really valiant pieces of play from the latter. Further comment on general play would mean criticism of mistakes and lapses due mainly to the conditions, which in view of the happy result will be passed over.

The first score eventuated just before half time, a try principally set up by Bainbridge and scored by David Jacobs. During the second half Bob Millar kicked a penalty goal and Jacobs scored another try. This was scored from a remarkable sequence of events in which a good movement was badly broken up almost under the posts but Collegians recovered well to score the try near the corner a few seconds later

From the Touchline Cont..

My selection for best player this week is Jim Pross. He was a tower of strength for Collegians all day, particularly forceful in gaining ground for us in the loose, gave solid support in the lineout, and must have really leant hard in that second row. Bob Millar gave a sound display at full-back, and seems to have solved what has been our main perennial problem position. Kym Watters showed quite a bit of dash at five-eighth and played well. I haven't given Neil Franks a mention this season, but this week he jumped well in the lineouts and pulled off a few good tackles - another solid player. Others to show out were Edwards, Bainbridge and Moulinie.

J.D.

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STUPENDOUS SECONDS.

Sorry chaps, we still haven't a scribe for your matches. Any one who is at all interested in doing the write ups for the Seconds please contact the Editor.

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THRILLING THIRDS.

Defeat West Torrens 42 - 3

The Thirds, with a couple of players missing (where were they?) quickly took the initiative against Torrens, who were four short, and within a couple of minutes the ball was out to winger Jackson who easily out paced the opposition and scored under the posts. This was repeated over and over again within the first 25 minutes or so and the score after that time was 30-0 as all tries were converted by Coulson. The struggling Torrens side then decided to bolster their defence, the ground became wetter and more slippery and consequently the scoring rate slowed down. By the end of the first half players on both sides were hard to distinguish and looked like a lot of Freddos. After half time O.C. still played the better rugby but the legs were becoming leaden, as was the ball, and the game developed into a forward scramble. Our backs didn't get much of the ball and scoring opportunities were limited. We then made a bad mistake in defence and let Torrens in for a try. This was unfortunate because the 'percentage' suffered. The conditions became worse and worse and all players were thankful when no-time was called. O.C. scored a total of ten tries, six of which were converted. Good to see Mike Jackson running as strongly as ever after his enforced lay-off and also one must comment on Greg Coulson's kicking in the first half. Best players were hard to pick all played well. A good team effort. Coach Max Mitchell who reckoned he scored a try (after many valiant attempts) 'retired hurt', but was not aware that the onlookers had bribed the ref beforehand.

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(UN)FIT FAILING FOULED-UP FIGHTING FOURTH FIFTEEN.

The 3 F's have managed to maintain an undefeated record of matches played. (we try to forget the unavoidable forfeit of the first round)  
An impressive 11 - 3 victory against Elizabeth last Saturday augurs well for a Division IV premiership this season.  
No longer can the Fourths be considered a social side !  
Among the fifteen players and one reserve named for last Saturday's game, a 100% training attendance was recorded.  
This of course established a Club record (perhaps for any grade? to be envied and emulated. It also established a precedent.  
The selectors have been instructed by the Management Committee on Monday last, to give preference in all grades to players attending training on a regular basis. Keep up the good work Fourths and please a Team Manager ?.

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STATE REPRESENTATION.

Congratulations to the following players on their selection for the "possibles" V "Probables" State Trials next Sunday.  
Jim O'Sullivan, Rod Hauser and Neil Franks (Probables)  
Kym Watters, Gordon Bainbridge, Alan Desfontaines and Glen Millar (Possibles).  
It may be interesting to note that both selected five eights are currently playing for Collegians (A Selectors nightmare ?)

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TRAINING....

As from Tuesday May 11th First Grade training will commence at 7 pm. at Tregenza  
Seconds, Thirds and Fourths 5.30 pm to 7 pm.



CLEARANCES.

The somewhat contentious matter of clearances for David Jacobs and Kym Watters has been settled in favour of Old Collegians by the S.A.R.U. May we extend a welcome to these two obviously valuable players and wish them many successful seasons with our Club.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Although we have had a fair response to previous pleas, some players subscriptions are still outstanding. Financial members will be preferred for Team Selection. After June 1st no unfinancial player will be considered for selections and a fine of \$2.50 will be imposed. Subscriptions may be paid to your team managers or any Committee Member.

CLUB JUMPERS.

Due to circumstances etc., the Adelaide Sports Depot is temporarily out of stock of Club Jumpers. It is suggested that Third and Fourth Grade players negotiate with First and Second Graders to borrow spare jumpers until new stocks are available. These negotiations may be carried out after training. First and Second graders are requested to co-operate.

CLUBHOUSE PLANS.

Fresh plans have been drawn up and approval is being sought from Council etc. When we are ready to go - which we hope won't be too long now - working bees will be required from time to time to help out with clearing trees, levelling and eventually painting etc. We hope you will have a Clubhouse this year, but we need your help in all directions, it will be worth it eventually, we promise. The more profit we can make from our stall at Tregenza and the "20 cents cover charge" at the Feathers, the better the Clubhouse will be. And, similarly, the quicker we get your subs, the happier we will be.

LADIES COMMITTEE.

Lorraine Mitchell invites all interested members of the fairer sex to an inaugural meeting of the Ladies Committee to be held on Monday May 10th at 7.30 pm at 10 Myola Road, Glenunga. Please make the effort to attend as the Club needs your assistance and interest.

HATCHED DEPT.

To Wendy, wife of Peter Goodwin, a second row forward (91bs 5oz). According to proud Grandparents, Vern and Ronnie, Marcus McRae Goodwin is destined to star in Collegians 1991 Premiership side (uncle Merricks Swan Song)

MATCHEDDEPT.

Congratulations are in order to Brian Smith and his fiance on their forthcoming nuptials.

OUR THANKS

Thanks indeed to Joyce and Allan Spry for their wonderful hospitality last Saturday Evening. Sorry if they (the six of them) damaged your bed Joyce.

ON THE SOCIAL SIDE.

John Manson invites all beautiful but unloved ladies to a night of culture at....  
A Gay and Hearty..

33 Allinga Avenue. Glenside.

8.30pm Saturday May 8th.

\$3.00 per double or \$2.00 per single entitles all Club Members and friends to unlimited supplies of beer, wine, soft drinks and good food.

A Juke Box has been "aquired" for the occasion.

We expect you to attend.

Have you kept Sunday May 16th Free ?

Don't forget the Annual Car Trial and Swim Thru

Only a few miles over well made, sealed roads and victory could be yours.

(big prizes too) More details next week.

COMPETITION LADDER AS AT MAY 2ND 1971

Division 1

	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Old Coll	4	-	-	55	21	8
Elizabeth	3	1	-	55	19	6
Woodville	2	2	-	54	42	4
Pt Adelaide	2	2	-	31	34	4
University	2	2	-	22	34	4
Glenelg	1	2	1	33	41	3
West Torrens	1	3	-	21	51	2
Nth Adelaide	-	3	1	25	64	1

Division 11

	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Burnside	4	-	-			8
Elizabeth	4	-	-			8
S. Suburbs	3	1	-			6
O'Paringa	2	2	-			4
Whyalla	2	2	-			4
Old Coll	1	3	-			2
Woodville	-	4	-			-
Gawler	-	4	-			-

Division 111

	W	L	D	Pts.
Glenelg	4	-	-	8
Pt. Adelaide	3	-	1	7
Old Coll	3	1	-	6
Elizabeth	2	1	1	5
Woodville	1	1	2	4
Uni	1	3	-	2
West Torrens	-	4	-	-
Nth Adelaide	-	4	-	-

Division 1V

	W	L	D	Pts.
Sth Subs	4	-	-	8
Varsity	4	-	-	8
Old Coll	3	1*	-	6
Burnside	2	2	-	4
Elizabeth	1	3	-	2
Gawler	1	3	-	2
Nth Adelaide	1	3	-	2
O'paringa	-	4	-	-

\* Forfeited first game to University.

NEXTSATURDAYS GAMES.

1sts	Vs	Glenelg	Bailey Reserve	3pm	(Owing to the shocking condition of Tregenza Oval we might not be able to use it on Saturday. If you are unable to attend training on Thurs. make sure you contact your team captain either before or on Sat.)
2nds	Vs	Gawler	Tregenza Oval	3pm	
3rds	Vs	Glenelg	Bailey Reserve	1.30pm	
4ths	Vs	Gawler	Tregenza Oval	1.30pm	

Coincidence wasn't it ? Dave Quodling winning the "dozen" last week. Dave was responsible for telling us that the Feathers had kindly donated the beer, Dave sells the raffle tickets, and Dave wins the prog. Maybe that will help persuade others that they should give a hand occasionally and take over the selling of tickets. (Our thanks to the Feathers for the dozen)

P.S. WITH THANKS.....

To Cottesloe R.U.F.C. (W.A.) for our regular receipt of the 'Blues News' Older Old Collegians will be happy to hear that Mabel Jones is back in form.

NOTE...

As this weeks Newsletter contained so much news it had to be single spaced to fit it all in. Sorry if it was harder to read, but will return to double spacing next week.

Ass. Ed.

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RESULTS.

SATURDAY MAY 8TH.

1sts	drew	Glenelg	8-8
2nds	beat	Gawler	39-0
3rds	beat	Glenelg	9-6
4ths	beat	Gawler	68-0

FROM THE TOUCHLINE.

The long awaited clash between Collegians and Glenelg First XV's resulted in an 8 all draw last week. After a reasonably good first half, Collegians lost control of play during the second half and really only have themselves to blame for not winning.

Collegians blasted off powerfully and came close to scoring a try in those first minutes. We maintained the pressure right through the first half, getting the better of the spirited forward clashes with our best rucking display so far this season. Alan Desfontaines injured his knee early, but Mike Jackson came on as wing and David Jacobs joined the pack. As usual we did well through the scrum, and doggedly held the opposition in the lineout, so our backs had good possession, thus giving Glenelg's defence plenty of work. Glenelg proved equal to the task save for one glorious moment. Schwartzter made the break just about midfield and Kym Watters finished the rush with a long dash to touch down under the posts for Glen Millar to convert. Prior to this, Bob Millar had kicked a penalty goal. In the second half Glenelg came back with avengance. Their pack poured on the pressure with vigorous determination, and had the upper hand for most of the period. Collegians were not consistently tight enough in their play to withstand the continuity of Glenelgs renewed energy, and we were lucky in that they muffed one or two scoring chances. Our tackling was well up to our usual high standard but we need to be more alert to danger and react more quickly to a threatening move, particularly as we appear to have two tough games ahead of us. The opposition scored one try early in the second half, but it was not until the very last minutes that they equalised the score with a try scored and converted by one ex. O.C.

My choice for best player in this match is Neil Schwartzter. He was the backbone of many of our attacking drives, the player who can successfully rip through the defence, yet find a team mate to pass to safely - happened repeatedly in the match last week, and once with happy endings. Rod Hauser played well also and seems to be turning into a competent breakaway, always willing to tackle any opposition vigorously. Other players to come under my notice were Jim Press, Neil Franks, David Jacobs and Gordon Bainbridge.

J.D.



STUPENDOUS SECONDS.

On a firm dry field Collegians backs took control of the game, receiving good ball from the forwards and fast service from the half-back. Farrow opened the score with a strong individual effort to score in the corner. After a strong run by R. Dutton and a finishing run by Graham it was clear the backs would win the game and this was the case when Gamlin took control of a loose kick to score. This was followed by Mike Miller feeding Trengrove who crashed over for another try. A quick tap from a penalty saw all backs handle well and Trengrove scored again. The final score of the half was scored by Gamlin after a kick from Miller. Kicks taken by Miller and Douglas accounted for two conversions. At half time the sound score of 25-0 was on the board.

The overall dominance of the two's was lost in the second half when Gawler started with plenty of fire. As a pack the forwards did not perform well but individually were more spectacular. They fed the backs to see Miller score after good backing up. Trengrove tumbled over again after a copy book back movement. Had the ball reached the wing more often and the overlap been created more score would have been made. Kevin Smith ploughed through the opposition to score his try on the opposite wing to Trengrove. Mike Miller took all kicks after Douglas was taken off injured. Final score 39-0

A better team effort with more players arriving on time did allow organization of the forwards. If you are selected make sure you can arrive on time, 2.30 not 3.00. Perhaps this game was an omen for the tough games to come.

N.S.

THRILLING THIRDS.

Defeated Glenelg Second XV 9-6

Saturday's victory over Glenelg Seconds should have been a great morale booster for our Thirds. We took the field with only twelve men to the opposition's fifteen (no excuse for the absentees - team lists are posted at Tregenza Oval in the changing shed during the week preceding each match) and our forwards appeared to concede about a stone per man in weight.

After about fifteen minutes Coach Max Mitchell ran on to give us 13 men and sometime later one of the absentees appeared. However, we were still a man short.

For the first 30 minutes Collegians pressed Glenelg strongly and most of the play was in the opposition's half. Throughout the game there was some poor ball handling, but the vital factor which prevented us scoring tries was the absence of players to finish on some excellent movements.

In the first half Greg Coulson kicked a penalty, but Glenelg equalised with a penalty goal shortly afterwards. The forwards did a magnificent job and dictated the play to Glenelg.

In the second half Greg Coulson kicked two more penalties, to one by Glenelg making the final score 9-6. At no time did Glenelg look really dangerous, and with a full team we would have scored the tries to make our victory more attractive. All in all this was a sterling victory. Best players were Dick Cooper, Greg Coulson, Ian Carrick, Harry Clarke, Frank Millar and Tony Maxwell. However, all members of the team pulled their weight and showed determination. With some more polish and improved ball handling the Thirds will be hard to beat.

H.C.

MATCHES SAT. MAY 15th

1sts V Port Adelaide at Port Adelaide Reserve at 3pm.  
2nds V Southern Suburbs at Tregenza Oval Linden Park at 3pm.  
3rds V Port Adelaide at Port Adelaide Reserve at 1.30pm  
4ths V Southern Suburbs at Tregenza Oval Linden Park at 1.30pm

Please be ready to take the field in plenty of time, thus saving your coach, captain and/or team managers a great deal of worry.

N.B. PORT ADELAIDE RESERVE.

Gregory's map No. 27 Reference C 10

Turn left off Port Road into Wellington Street then right into Langham Place.  
(Alternatively turn left into unnamed, more or less un-made road immediately before the overhead railway bridge Port Adelaide Tailway Station. See Gregory's Map No. 27)

CONGRATULATIONS.

All Club Members, supporters and friends extend congratulations to Neil Franks, Jim O'Sullivan, Gordon Bainbridge and Kym Watters who were selected in the State side to play in Canberra and Queensland. Best of wishes and good luck on tour.

SOCIAL SIDE OF THINGS.

Thank you John Manson for loaning your home for a most successful party last Saturday night. Eighty odd (some extremely) guests enjoyed pies and sauce, fish and chips and booze to the accompaniment of a juke box. The value was certainly apparent and a small profit was achieved. IF you missed this function don't miss the car trial on Sunday next.

Starting Time 10.45 am.

Starting Grid Car park. Rear Feathers Hotel.

Route. Secret but safe (approx 1½ hours)

Destination. For those lost on route or desirous of participating but not competing, the final rendezvous is :

The Country Residence of

Mr & Mrs. R.L. Burgess

St. Andrews Tee. WILLUNGA. (opp St. Stephens Church)

Cost \$1.00 per head (kids free) includes wine, soft drinks etc.

Please bring your own barbecue fare. Sausages will be available at a nominal charge for bachelors and forgetful wives.

A treasure hunt has been organized for the children and other entertainments are envisaged to keep the little dears happy.

YOU RANG ?

Any one wishing to contact coach Max Mitchell may do so on the following numbers.

Home 79 1111 or business 71 1161. If he is not there, you may leave a message.

QUESTION.....

Was he making sure that the lovely who won the dozen didn't drink it alone ?