

SOCIAL DIARY



SUPER 14 GAMES ON THE BIG SCREEN

We'll be showing Super 14 games on Saturday nights at the club

11 February	Reds v Waratahs
18 February	Reds v Crusaders Stormers v Waratahs Hurricanes v Western Force
25 February	(Clubrooms closed)
11 March	Brumbies v Sharks Reds v Western Force
18 March	Blues v Brumbies
25 March	Brumbies v Chiefs Western Force v Bulls
31 March	Western Force v Stormers Waratahs v Cheetahs

BARRY DAWSON

Dawson is coming over for his bi-annual visit, to soak up sun, and sand, and catch up with all you old timers at the Rugby Club. Thursday 9th March, 8.00pm.



SATURDAY 18TH MARCH

We'll cruise around the local pubs and toast the start of the season, including watching the Blues v Brumbies on the big screen at the club.

Details available soon; contact Tara Naige on

naige.tara@saugov.sa.gov.au

**Super 14
Tipping Competition**



Join now via <http://www.footytips.com.au>

To join go to the website, enter the competition name in to the 'Find my Competition' section.

Competition Name: OC

Password: (Not required)

You will need to create your own personal user name and password to enter your tips each week.

Cost to Join: \$20 (must be paid before Round 4, payable over OC's bar)

Weekly Prize: A beer ticket (12 beers)

FIRST PRIZE: HALF THE TOTAL JOINING FEES

In the past we have had up to 60 tippers, so the prize could be **\$500+**.

For more information and for the complete set of rules, please go to:

<http://www.footytips.com.au>

CLUB NOTES

PHYSIOTHERAPY FOR MEMBERS

Physio Direct offers special rates to **ALL** Old Collegians members with particularly attractive rates for 1st and 2nd grade players.

Call 8373 1324 to arrange an appointment to a clinic near you.



BAR PRICES

Unfortunately, the government's recent rise of excise duties means that we'll have to put up our bar prices for the first time in the last three years. However, we'll continue to have regular happy hours and specials and our prices are still well below pubs.

Pint/Stubby \$4.20	Schooner/Light \$3.20
Spirit & mixer \$5.00	Wine/Champagne \$4.20
Cask Wine \$3.00	Dark Ale/Stout \$4.60



Club members are reminded that they are entitled to receive a 10% discount from Athlete's Foot in Burnside, Canterbury in the Myer Centre in Rundle Mall and Champs Sports in Burnside!

SENIOR REGISTRATION DAY

Sunday 19th February (2.00pm to 4.00pm)

BBQ - SAUSAGE SIZZLE!!

Club subscriptions have been set as follows for Senior members:-

Senior player	\$255 (\$230 before 31 May)
Student /concession player	\$205 (\$180 before 31 May)
Voting club Member	\$110 (\$100 before 31 May)
Non voting club Member	\$ 70 (\$60 before 31 May)

Pay in full on Registration Day and receive a FREE OLD COLLEGIANS T-SHIRT OR SPORTS BAG!

JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAY

Sunday 19th February and Sunday 26th February

at Old Collegians Clubrooms from **11.00am till 4.00pm**

BBQ - SAUSAGE SIZZLE!!

Teams: U8, U9, U10, U11, U12, U13, U14, U16, & U18(Colts)

People joining for the first time need to bring with them **PROOF OF AGE** (Birth Certificate/Passport). Original to be sighted and a copy provided to the Club.

NEW SHOWERS AND KITCHEN

Thanks to the hard work and kind generosity of a number of clubmen, notably including **Mark Pickard of Direct Interiors** and **Jim Denley and his crew**, our shower and kitchen renovations are well under way. It may mean we are without showers for a few more weeks, but we hope it will all be done soon.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO FINISH RENOVATIONS

various duties - tiling, painting, cleaning up etc.

Make yourself known to Sue Thewlis! sthewlis@e-access.com.au

FUNDRAISER – BUY A TILE! We need to raise funds to pay for the new showers. For \$20 you can have your name written on a tile in the new bathroom and secure your place on Collegians' walls. (For \$50 we'll even let you choose the position of the tile.)



AUSTRALIAN RUGBY SHIELD 2006

The squad from the Physio Direct Adelaide Black Falcons, SA's state team will soon test their mettle in two key, pre-season matches:

3 March **Adelaide Black Falcons vs A.C.T** Canberra [curtain raiser for Brumbies v Cats]
11 March **Adelaide Black Falcons vs Southern Inland** Renmark

Both matches will be accompanied by Junior Falcons matches against the u/20's teams from ACT and Southern Inland. Adelaide Supporters are strongly encouraged to attend. For transport to Renmark, please contact Carl Jones at SA Rugby on 8232 7101 or carl.jones@sarugby.com.au

With the retention of Perth in the Australian Rugby Shield and the inclusion of ACT and Tasmania, the competition has been divided into two pools. Adelaide will face Perth, Melbourne and Tasmania **with all games at home !**

7th May **Adelaide Black Falcons v Perth - Gleneagles Reserve**
13th May **Adelaide Black Falcons v Melbourne - Hindmarsh Stadium**
20th May **Adelaide Black Falcons v Tasmania - Hindmarsh Stadium**
27th May **Australian Rugby Shield Semi-final - Venue TBC**
3rd June **Australian Rugby Shield Final - Venue TBC**

We hope to have a number of Old Collegians in the Falcons squad – come out and support your state and your clubmen!

SEASON 2006

PRE-SEASON TRAINING HAS STARTED – 6.30pm TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

Old Collegians will again be entering teams in all senior divisions (1, 2, 3, 4 and women).

Pre-season Competition - SA Rugby is introducing a new 'sponsored' Pre-Season Competition to be known as the **Bartercard Cup**. Whilst details are currently being finalised the Bartercard Cup is likely to be run using a Cup & Plate knock-out format over 3 consecutive Friday evenings prior to Easter. It will be a 15 a-side competition with each club able to field a squad of up to 30 players. Games will be run in 3 x 20 minutes 'thirds'. Further details will be circulated shortly. All clubs are expected to participate in the Bartercard Cup, a new initiative designed to kick off 2006 with the aim of preparing and developing players, coaches and officials for the Premiership Season.

Round 1 for the Premier and Reserve Grades kicks off on 22nd April 2006.

Draw not yet available.

Be Active Over-35's Rugby Series

SA Rugby, in conjunction with the SA Office for Recreation and Sport, will be holding an Over-35's Rugby Series on Sunday afternoons throughout the Rugby Season. Held every three weeks and played under Golden Oldies' rules the series is open to all those who want to get back and have some fun rugby on a regular basis. More details will be available shortly.

Coach and Referee Development Courses

Smart Rugby: Wed 15th March 6pm Southern Suburbs RUFC
Smart Rugby: Mon 20th March 6pm Old Collegians RFC
Junior Player Pathway: Mon 20th March 6pm Brighton RUFC
Junior Player Pathway: Wed 22nd March 6pm Burnside RUFC
Foundation Course: Sun 26th March 8am Woodville RUFC (for coaches and referees)
Level 2 Coaching: 31st Mar-2nd April 6pm Woodville RUFC
Scrum Clinic: Sat 1st April 6pm Woodville RUFC
Assessors' Training: Sun 25th June

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – SEASON 2005

(From the Annual Report for the 12 months ending 31 October 2005)

Our identified main goals for 2005 were threefold: to keep four competitive men's teams on the pitch, to build the pride in and of the First Grade team and to retain the West End Trophy. Each of these goals was achieved.

We again fielded four senior men's teams and a women's team, and we are the only club to do so. Season 2005 will not be remembered for grand final successes but should nevertheless be celebrated for strong performances in all grades. While we did not secure any premierships in 2005, our Women's, Fourth Grade and First Grade played in grand finals. While our Second and Third Grades did not make it to the finals, they put in some good solid work which we can build on for greater successes in the coming years. We should also remember that our on-field successes this year were achieved despite a sluggish start; we had some weeks with many players unavailable due to state commitments, work or injury. We had more than 60 players unavailable in one particular week. After the first few weeks of the season Old Collegians was winless and lurked at the bottom of the tables in all men's grades. From this we made it to three senior grand finals.

We saw our First Grade evolve into a close knit and loyal unit and I applaud them for their hard work and their commitment to their rugby, their club and each other. I would particularly like to thank coaches Rob Sadler and Graham Raymond and managers Hamish Cranna and Harry Clark for their work with the team.

We also retained the West End Trophy for best club for the fifth consecutive year. The West End Trophy is proof that we remain the strongest club in South Australia in terms of participation and development of rugby.

- Our juniors developed further with a significant increase in player numbers and on-field successes, including three teams participating in finals and the Under 14s making it to the Grand Final.
- Sponsorship continued to be a critical part of the club's income in order to keep subscriptions down and cover the growing costs associated with providing rugby and facilities to our members. Several business and people provided much needed cash or in-kind sponsorship in 2005, and special thanks must go to Physio Direct, Direct Interiors, One Steel, the Feathers, Coopers Brewery, Hygienic Pigging Systems, Orlando Wines, O'Connell Meats, Dulwich Bakery, Athlete's Foot, Champs Sport Store and a number of individual benefactors.
- We continued to improve upon our facilities, with various cosmetic measures being undertaken prior to the season commencing. We should be proud of what we have; our facilities are excellent as evidenced by the number of events we are asked to host, such as Eddie Jones' visit, the carnival celebrating the 10th anniversary of women's rugby in SA, and personal functions for neighbours, friends and members of rival clubs.
- Over summer, we will be installing a new kitchen (thanks to the generosity of Mark Pickard and Direct Interiors), undertaking the shower upgrade and, with the assistance of Council, upgrading the walkway in front of the club.
- Senior player numbers remained approximately static. We collected slightly more in subscriptions this year, despite giving discounts for early payment. The "Free T shirt" offer was quite successful. There has been an improvement in the number and of players paying their subscriptions across the teams, and particularly solid through the First Grade and the Women.
- After a slow start to the social season we saw increased numbers at the club and recorded an increase in money spent over the bar. Thanks go to Curtis Hale who provided great service at the bar, which continues to be our greatest source of income.
- We were, as usual, dependant on a small group of dedicated volunteers who provided match reports, canteen services, line marking, ground set up and take down, cleaning and many other jobs to provide an enjoyable environment for our players and supporters. Thanks in particular must go to Sue Thewlis, Ted Apted, Neil & Anne Bradley, Rebecca Derbyshire-Lloyd, Ryan Neilsen and John Bell who all performed a number of the mundane, regular duties which keep the club going.

My thanks and undying admiration to:

- Sue Thewlis, who is clubs secretary, runs the canteen almost single-handed and without whom we would all be lost.
- Rob Sadler, our First Grade coach and absolute stalwart of the club. Rob was recognised by SARU as the best coach in the state in 2005.
- Michael Lowe, Bec Manson and Kate Denley (and their team) who provide first aid and physiotherapy support. We received praise from SARU on the high level of our first aid support.
- In his role as selector, Peter "Jesse" James kept records of games played and players' injuries which made the administrative process leading into finals much simpler for both Old Collegians and SARU, leading again to thanks and commendations from SARU.

We remain at the forefront in Adelaide in terms of providing quality facilities and support.

In closing, I thank the committee, coaches, managers and players for their support and hard work in 2005.

Kim Evans
President



We celebrated Christmas '05 with carols and egg nog and a visit from Father Christmas (shown here with Ryan Tedge).

Rebecca Derbyshire-Lloyd has returned home to New Zealand and will be sadly missed. It is hoped she will be back with us for season 2007.

BABIES GALORE

There's something in the water at Tregenza. Our warm congratulations to:

Stewart Frew & Karen on the birth of their son Ethan in September 2005, a brother to Reese.

Ben & Fiona Brady on the birth of their son Samuel, a brother to Nick.

SA Rugby CEO Rob Nelson & Kim on the birth of their daughter Stella on 15th December 2005

Peter Cross & Amelia on the birth of son Maxwell on 31 December 2005.

Richie & Esme Jasko on the birth of their daughter Mikayla in January 2006, a sister to Matylda.



Nicole & Tony Lynch, who emailed us this photo and message "*Thought you might like to see pictures of our latest Old Collegian: Thomas Alexander Lynch came into this world (in under 3 hours, good boy) on New Year's Day weighing 7lbs 6oz after a night out with Uncles Murray, Hamish and Ray. We think he's gorgeous!*"

AND WEDDINGS...

Our best wishes and congratulations to newlyweds:

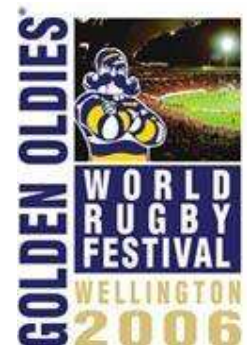
James Denley and Kylie (pictured left)

John Collins and Emma Suttell



A re-write of our constitution is on our list of things to do. In doing so we may consider the example of the River Mulletts Golden Oldies Rugby Club from Newcastle. Four words: "No Dickheads, No Wowsers."

29 October - 5 November 2006 - Wellington NZ will host the 16th Golden Oldies World Rugby Festival in 2006. The tournament is the biggest rugby festival in the world, with over 200 rugby teams and 5,000 people from over 20 countries. The festival takes place over 7 days and includes a street parade, opening ceremony, parties and rugby games in venues all over Wellington. **The University Old Blacks are looking to combine with a team from Old Collegians. Stephen Boyd will be your host in his old hometown and partner in crime Richard Wells will be manager and player for the trip.** An exclusive Adelaide Clubhouse in the heart of the entertainment precinct has been secured. Approximate cost for airfares, accommodation and festival package is NZD\$2000 for the week. Please contact Stephen Boyd M: 0432 767 424 or E: sboyd@castlepoint.com.au



The Lion came and blessed Old Collegians again at our annual Chinese New Year Party and we welcomed in the new season with our friends and neighbours (and, of course, food and fireworks and the year's first nude run).

Huge thanks again to John Denley and Pro-Time Business Solutions for sponsoring and organising our annual **golf day** at Tanunda Pines Golf Course on 5 February. The 45 attendants enjoyed great weather, a beautiful course, on-course refreshments and a gourmet barbecue. We're better golfers than you might think – 6 teams came in on or under par! Our thanks go to Peter Denley, Ted Apted and Tara Naige for helping with the organisation. Congratulations to Peter Hawker and Jason Limpus' mate Martin on winning a magnum of Rockford's red each in the raffles, and much applause to the winning team of the afternoon's Ambrose (including Andy Farquharson and Cameron McDonald), coming in two under par. And happy birthday to Pete Denley and Jason Limpus, who both celebrated their birthdays on the day!

2006 COMMITTEE

President	Kim Evans	kim@oldcollegiansrugby.org.au
Vice-President	Graham Raymond	
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Selectors	Ted Apted, Barry Nichol	
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Junior Social Director:	Duncan Armstrong	
Junior Committee member:	Robert Knowles	

2006 COACHES AND MANAGERS

1ST GRADE

Coach	Rob Sadler
Asst. Coaches	Steve Boyd and Andy Farquharson
Manager	Hamish Cranna and Harry Clark

2ND GRADE

Coach	Graham Raymond
Asst. Coaches	Cameron McDonald and Mark Siosi
Manager	Denzil Church

3RD GRADE

Coach	Andre Brummer and Iain Everiss
Manager	Ian Walker assisted by Janet Penhall

4TH GRADE

Coaches	Andrew Marshallsay and Peter Policki
Manager	Shane Clark

WOMEN'S GRADE

Coach	<i>Erik Chmielewski will be taking pre-season but the Women's Team is still searching for a coach for the balance of the season – please contact us if you are interested</i>
Manager	Maxine Moran

(Juniors coaches and managers to be announced soon)

Selectors: Danny McCarten (Rugby Director), Barry Nichol, Ted Apted

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