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President's Report

With no footy on the long weekend (in perfect sunshine I might add) and then the wash out of the next round of Saturday games, it's been a long time between reports! Round 10 for the seniors saw our 3 sides play at home. The 16s set a score board record by beating Concord 80-10; the 19s continued on their winning way with a 7 point victory over South Eastern while the A grade accounted for Moorebank on the Wednesday night. Round 11 dawned and could only be described as a disaster for the Saturday teams. Hannigan's 11-2s made it 3 in a row by reversing a first round drubbing to snare a 2 point victory over Colts. Great work! The 13-1s got their season back on track with a hard fought win over Auburn to stay in the top 4 - and that was it for the juniors! Once again it was left to the 3 senior sides to bring some respectability to our win ratio. The 19s played Cheso at Mona under lights and ran out 24 nil winners. The 16s made hard work of Leichhardt but got there in the end (32-24) while the A grade beat St Johns in a spiteful encounter at Beggan. Well done seniors. Though the results have not been great, the Club is continuing to supply rep players. **Wilson Faanoi, Josh**

Results for 25th/26th June 2011

Age	Opposition		For	Against
U/6-Div 4	Dragons	Lost	24	28
U/6-Div 2	Chester Hill	Lost	8	26
U/6-Div 1	Chester Hill	Lost	28	34
U/7- Div 3	Chester Hill	Lost	0	34
U/7- Div 2	East Hills	Lost	0	30
U/7- Div 1	Tigers	Lost	12	18
U/8- Div1	Bears	Lost	12	30
U/9- Div2	East Hills	Lost	6	36
U/9- Div 1	Bye	BYE		
U/10- Div 3	Rhinos	Lost	12	36
U/10- Div 1	Dragons	Lost	0	10
U/11- Div 2	Colts	Won	18	16
U/11 Div 1	Dragons	Lost	0	30
U/12- Div 1	Chester Hill	Lost	6	50
U/13- Div 2	Chester Hill	Lost	0	60
U/13- Div 1	Auburn Warriors	Won	36	28
U/14	Bulls	Lost	0	52
U/16	Leichhardt	Won	32	24
U/19	Chester Hill	Won	24	0
A Grade	Johnnies	Won	24	16

Rainbow and **David Minute** all played in Canterbury's SG Ball side while **Taylor Brown** played with St George. **Taylor** has now been selected to play in the NSW Combined Catholic Colleges team to play in the U18 Australian Schoolboy Championships in July. He'll be up against new Club recruit **Diamond Charlie** who'll be playing for NSW Combined High Schools. Not to be outdone, **Jack Ryan** from our 12s has made the NSW Opens Primary School team as hooker to play in Melbourne in August. Well done boys, we expect your abilities to rub off on your Saints' mates! Socially, don't forget the **Ball on Friday 8 July**. See your manager to book. We need to finalise numbers and dollars this weekend. And many thanks to Raelene Davidson and Mette Kitiona for organising the Kid's disco a couple of Sundays back - it was a great night for everyone.

GO THE SAINTS *John Grealy*

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U/6 Div 4 Lost 24-28 v Dragons

U/6 Div2 Lost 8-26 v Chester Hill

U/6 Div 1 Lost 28-34 v Chester Hill

U/7 Div 3 Lost 0-34 v Chester Hill -

After 3 weeks off we were sure to be a bit rusty this week, and playing the number 1 team didn't help much either. Chester Hill got off to a flying start, and despite some good tackling from Isaak and Steven, they just kept running in tries. Braith and Slater both had good runs towards the line, but the opposition held them back. The second third started off a little better with William picking up some ground and Isaak almost making it over, however we still failed to grab any points. The boys wouldn't give up and kept up the defence and kept making meters but to no avail. Well done boys for putting in a big effort and getting out there and having a go.

U/7 Div 2 Lost 0-30 v East Hills

Just like all the teams, it had been 3 weeks since our last game with very little training in between. It really showed in the game and we forgot all the basics. Run forward, move up and tackle around the legs. The coach missing training on Wednesday and being late Friday obviously did not help! We had not played East Hills in the first round of games, due to a wash out, and we did not know what to expect. We knew they had been competitive with the top teams. They proved to be strong in attack, but it was our defence that ultimately let us down, because we generally did not line up or move up in a line. When we all did move up, we looked good bustling their attack and they made mistakes.

In attack we went sideways often running out. We have not all done that since our early games. It was our little guys, Jesse and Thomas, who showed the way forward when we had the ball and kept busy in defence against a bigger and faster side. Vincent, Ryan, Georgio, Bianca and Saadi all put in an effort in defence, with Blake filling in and doing a good job at fullback. It was good to see Cameron starting to use his strength and size in attack and defence and I am sure he will take a lot of confidence out of his performance for the coming weeks. Jarrod

put his body on the line to pull down their biggest bloke only to be injured. Good work mate, but you have to go low when the bloke is twice your size.

Special mention goes to Bianca, who proved she was a great Captain and can implement the coach's instructions. The runners were the best organised they have been this year and she kept up the talk in defence and attack for the whole game. Great job Bianca!

Thank God East Hills only had one kid that could kick a goal!

Player of the Match – Bianca

Encouragement Award – Cameron

U/7 Div 1 Lost 12 - 18 v Greenacre

After another weekend off due to wet weather we were on the road again to play Greenacre at Roberts Park.

We kicked off through Riccardo to commence the game with a very deep start that saw us in good in field position. The boy's line of defence was good early in the third with Kaled, Jordan, Jared and Luke all moving up and putting the first receiver under pressure. When we had the ball Alex, Riccardo, Bailey and Trent all made good ground. About 5 minutes into the game Greenacre made a break from their own half and despite our best efforts was able to beat our cover defence and score a converted try to take the lead 0-6. However we scored in the next set with Luke laying the platform with a great restart which was followed by a quick play the ball to enable us to get good field position and then on the last Trent took off to score a try which Bailey converted to even the score at 6-6. Our defence ensured that there was no further scoring in the first third.

Greenacre kicked off to recommence the game and this was the only time in the second third that they crossed the half way line. The boys defence in this third was their best all year with Kaled, Sean, Jordan and Zac all moving up quickly limiting Greenacres time to make decisions and with all the boys moving up in a straight line there were no gaps. The boys threw everything they had at Greenacre and were stopped short on a number of occasions and grounded the ball just short on another. Jared and Trent tried

all the tricks including putting on some great run-a-round plays and leading the team in attack with Alex and Bailey playing good support roles. We even forced a goal line drop out through our defence as Greenacre reverted to going backwards to go forward. We were unlucky in this third not to convert the field position dominance into points and had Greenacre on the ropes.

Kaled kicked off for us to commence the last third and our defence again forced an error to have good field position. Bailey, Riccardo and Kaled made good runs when we have the ball and this enabled Jared to scoot away and score our second try which Sean converted to take the lead 12-6. It looked like the boys were going to continue where they left off in the second third. However following a penalty Greenacre got a repeat set and despite good efforts in defence from Trent, Luke and Zac they scored a try, after being held up over the line from a scrum (our first of the year and the boys were totally confused as were the fans) which was converted to bring them level at 12-12. This try and the play that led to it broke our confidence as was evident by the errors we made and our line of defence became staggered and this saw Greenacre score another converted try towards the end of the third to round out the scoring 12-18.

The boys learnt about momentum and its importance in this game, as we had all the momentum for much of the game and then when we lost it we could not get it back. The boys tried really hard in this game and sometimes probably too hard which resulted in some uncharacteristic errors. The best way to maintain momentum is to control the tempo of the game and for the better part of the game we did this very well and this was a game that was there to be won. However the boys are a great team and very cohesive group and we will back on the field next game doing our best.

Go the Saints.

Tries: Trent, Jared

Goals: Bailey, Sean

Goop Guys MOM: Sean

ENC: Alex

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U/ 8 Div 1 Lost 12-30 v Berala

MOM: Kueva Lynch
Achievement Award: Callum Whyte

second to none, (*well done Joel*)....

U/9 Div 2 Lost 6-36 v East Hills

After a long period off due to rain and a long weekend St Chrissies came up against A strong East Hills outfit that have been playing together for years. In the first 12 minutes of the game our defence was very impressive, the game still 0 – 0. East Hills finally found their feet running in a few quick tries. Our boys put in a great effort with our only try coming from Lachlan Maric. All the boys played well, a special mention to Sione who played his first game and played great. Keep up the good work guys.

U/11 Div 2 Won 18-16 v Milperra Colts

It was great to be back at home again this week and even better to be back from the extended break with the boys continuing to take off from where they left. In now posting three consecutive wins on the trot and more importantly getting up against a very good Colts side. That are not only considered to be the benchmark in our competition, but when we first played them they gave it to us 38 points to nil. (*Well done boy's we were all so very proud of you*).....

With this week's tries being awarded to Ryan Dunn (1), Christian Devine (1), Jayden Hayer (1). With successful conversions going to Ryan Dunn (1), James McKenna (1), Josh Hannigan (1).

To also include boy's what we spoke about after this week's game.....

DESIRE.....

THE DESIRE TO TRAIN HARD, PLAY WELL, BELIEVE IN YOURSELF, NEVER EVER GIVE UP AND MORE IMPORTANTLY THE DESIRE WIN...

U/9 Div1 BYE

U/11 Div 1 Lost 0-30 v Dragons

U/10 Div 3 Lost 12-36 v Revesby Heights

U/10 Div 1 Lost 0-10 v Dragons

Off to Clemton Park to play the only team who we hadn't yet faced (washed out first round). Dragons had only been beaten by the competition leaders, so we expected a tough encounter. We played without reserves against a bigger side and really showed great commitment and attitude. Only two tries were scored in the game – both following our own mistakes with early dropped ball in our own half, but really there was not a lot between the sides. Both were very strong defensively. We put the Dragons players on the ground with numbers in all but two tackles (an impressive stat) while the Dragons defence would not let us get much penetration. We made a couple of silly mistakes, like not finding touch from a penalty and being tackled into touch, but Dragons made even more mistakes under pressure from our good defence. Our kick-chase was effective and Kueva troubled Dragons with his speed and evasion, but in general we need to give ourselves more room in attack by getting deeper and running harder onto the ball. We'll work on that.

The game started off well and with the boy's missing so much football and training during the last couple of weeks it was hard to determine how they would actually perform against a much larger and faster Milperra Colts outfit. With the TEAM being able to put on a well earned try just before the half time siren went off which allowed the boys to go into the break with a 6 points to nil lead.

The second half again proved a tough battle for both sides and as a result the boys were next to score to lead 12 points – nil. With the Colts then scoring three quick consecutive tries out wide resulting in them hitting the lead in the game for the very first time. This then resulted in the TEAM needing to continue to defend hard and like all goods teams and with only a couple of minutes remaining on the clock. Managed to score another hard earned try by splitting the opposition straight up the middle and in doing so achieved a great win in also adding to a great display and exciting game of Rugby League. (*boy's you won today because you deserved to win*).....

With this week's **Man of the Match Award** going to "Big" Joel Williams who pounded the opposition in attack, kept making valuable yards, off loaded some clever little balls and who's defence was

U/12 Div 1 Lost 6 - 50 v Chester Hill

Our boys were courageous and thankfully never gave up, however Chesso dominated the game and were crossing our line every 3 - 4 minutes.

We have been concentrating on defence at training and the boys got plenty of practice. Big hits in the 1st half were completed by Jayden, Hayden, Kieran and Jonah who tried hard at the back. Our sole try came from a beautiful run from Sammy, followed by a backline move linking up with Anthony at wing. Half time score 6 - 24.

Chesso continued their attack and we just could not compete with their big men. Jack sparked some good ball movement, and Adam sprung on a loose ball to give us an attacking chance. Nathan, Liam, Hayden and Jayden took the ball up hard, time and again, only to be stopped unable to break their line of defence.

Great effort boys, your parents and the Club were proud of your performance.

Try: Anthony

Goal: Luke

Man of the Match: Liam

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Ref's Ravings

A constant source of confusion, particularly in Mini/Mod footy, is the ZERO Tackle call by the referee.

Mini Footy

(12) Possession is retained for a period of four (4) tackles ... Unless a nullification of the count occurs in that time. The referee will both signal and call out the number of tackles with the “3rd and last” being signalled by the raising of an arm vertically with three fingers fully extended. On the fourth (4th) tackle (or at any change of possession) the referee will blow the whistle and signal the change of possession in accordance with International Law. The tackle count will commence after each set play or change of possession. There will be no count at the tackle occurring -

(i) after a player fields a kick from a start of play, penalty kick or free kick **and is tackled before passing the ball;**

(ii) after a player who (1) picks up a ball dropped by an opponent; (2) intercepts a pass; or (3) gains possession immediately after the ball has been deliberately played by an opponent - and, is tackled before passing the ball.

On each of these occasions the tackle count commences at the NEXT tackle.

Mod Footy

(12) The format is a limited tackle one. Each team, upon gaining possession, has six (6) tackles during which to maximise the use of this possession ... unless the tackle count is nullified in that time. The tackle count will commence after each set play or change of possession. There will be no count at the tackle occurring—(i) after a player fields a kick from a start of play; penalty kick or free kick **and is tackled before passing the ball;**

(ii) after a player who - (1) picks up a ball dropped by an opponent; (2) intercepts a pass; or (3) gains possession immediately after the ball has been deliberately played by an opponent (including permissible kicks in general

play) - and is tackled before passing the ball; On each of these occasions the tackle count commences at the

NEXT tackle. The referee will count the tackles and signal the “5th and last” tackle in a fashion similar to the adult Laws prescription. On the sixth tackle, the signal for the change of possession is in accordance with adult Law.

Stay tuned for more next week!!!



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U/13 Div 2 Lost 0-60 v Chester Hill

U/13 Div 1 Won 36-28 v Auburn

U/14 Lost 0-52 v Bulls

U/16 Won 32-24 v Leichardt

It was a game that we made a lot tougher than we should of. After doing all the hard work early we managed to take advantage of our field position and take a 10 nil lead. Errors than crept into our game as we switched off and lack of discipline than had us down 12-10 at half time. After letting the other team into the game the second half pretty much went try for try before we managed to score a late couple of tries to take the win. It really showed through the game there was little cohesion between the players with a lack of ball work over the last couple of weeks with not enough people showing up to training. Hendo had a blinder at 5/8 with his kicking game spot on, while toms effort in the middle was huge, Jordan was strong at the back while Josh.S safe on the wing. Its up to you guys now!

U/19 Won 24-0 v Chester Hill

A Grade Won 24-16 v St Johns

Last Weekend

U/16 Won 80-10 vs Concord Burwood

Its always good to run up a big score but at the same time u cant get to carried away with it. We came up against a team that were struggling down the bottom of the ladder and even though it was easy to go one out and score the guys still stuck to the game plan and scored some good tries which will hold us in good stead coming into the harder games. Kirk controlled the



ruck well taking advantage of some sloppy marker defense, while Chris was working hard up the middle with Dave pulling off some big hits. Out wide we looked strong with Blake bagging a hat trick and Ray and Quinny going over for the first time of the year. It was a good effort guys and the key is just keeping the form up now

U/19 Won 23-16 v South Eastern

A Grade Won 36-6 v Moorebank



IMPORTANT NOTICE TO **ALL PARENTS**

Code of Conduct and ARL Safeplay

The junior league has reminded all Clubs to inform their members about conduct. When you're supporting our teams the best advice is to stay positive and follow the ball i.e. leave the ref alone. Everyone is also reminded that no one is to enter the field of play at any time (that definitely includes half time). Only 'card carrying' team or Club officials can enter the field. Please take note.

The referees have also advised the ARL Safeplay code will be rigidly enforced throughout the season. This code is applicable up to and including the under 15s. It means there is no tackling above the arm pits, no swinging of players by arms or jerseys, no lifting in tackles. A breach of the safeplay code is an automatic penalty. It is no use hollering from the sideline – the refs will be consistently and automatically administering this code. I recommend all coaches (and supporters) click on the following link to read the full code. Good luck to everyone on the weekend

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THIS WEEKS GAMES:

Games: Saturday 2nd July, 2011

Teams	Times	Club	Venue
U/6- Div 4	9.00	Sports	Bill Delauney
U/6- Div 2		BYE	
U/6- Div 1	10.20	Sports	Steve Folkes
U/7- Div 3	9.40	Berala	Peter Hislop
U/7- Div 2	9.00	Dragons	Clemton Park
U/7- Div 1	9.40	Bulls	Bill Delauney
U/8- Div 1	10.20	Moorebank	Bill Delauney
U/9- Div 2	10.20	Milperra Colts	Killara Reserve
U/9- Div 1	11.00	St Johns	Bill Delauney
U/10- Div 3	11.50	Warriors	Bill Delauney
U/10- Div 1	12.40	Bulls	Bill Delauney
U/11- Div 2	1.20	Sports	Steve Folkes
U/11- Div 1	12.40	Berala	Peter Hislop
U/12- Div 1	1.30	Berala	Peter Hislop
U/13- Div 2	1.30	Milperra Colts	Bill Delauney
U/13- Div 1		BYE	
U/14	2.40	St johns	Bill Delauney

Games: Sunday 3rd July 2011

U/16	11.35	Brighton	Scarborough Park
U/19	12.10	Earwood	Peakhurst Park
A Grade	3.10	Kingsgrove Colts	Beverley Hills Park



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