

## OLD COLLEGIANS RUGBY UNION CLUB

# Tregenza Times

3rd May 2022



HAPPY MOTHERS DAY

TO ALL OUR BEAUTIFUL and AMAZING

MOTHERS, NANNAS, GRANDMAS,

STEPMUMS, GUARDIANS AND

ANGELS.

We hope you have a beautiful Day on Sunday.





THE
WALLABIES and WALLAROOS
ARE COMING TO
ADELAIDE OVAL
AUGUST 27TH!!

More details to come.

# U7s Brighton v Old Collegians

Friday night football under lights – what more could you ask for as an U7s rugby player? Rain – check, running out through the tunnel in front of your adoring fans – check, the smell of hot chips from the canteen wafting across the ground – check

Warm up wasn't exactly warm, and the excitement of playing on a Friday night must have got to the players with the words "rabble" and "herding cats" potentially mentioned.

It was game time against the old rivals Brighton.

Brighton handed over a child into our care for both halves to even up the numbers. Much unlike my own experiences of this occurring where you hand over an up and comer, Brighton gave us their two best players. It was greatly appreciated.

Tom, torn between his playing days at both Brighton and Old Colls, had the team running, tagging, scoring tries and really having a crack. Even if you're not scoring the most tries or tagging the most kids, as long as you have a go, it's what we like to see.

It was a solid first half capped off by rabid devouring of oranges – you'd think the kids hadn't eaten all school holidays.

The second half saw the assistant coach take the reins on the field. Slightly less organised, and lots of questions of "why can't I kick the ball off, can I get the ball next, he had it last time". Good times!

The team did a fantastic job once again on the tagging front. Our defence this year has been excellent. There were some great passes within the play and plenty of tries scored. Ernie guaranteed me after the game he scored 5, or was it 6?

And a special mention to Alfie who turned 5 during the week and pulled the boots on for his first game. Unlike many kids in their first game, he was in the thick of the action tagging, running, and listening to the coach. He even passed the ball to his brother Louis for a try. Well done, and all the best for a long, successful Old Colls career.

Thanks to all the parents for making it down on the last weekend of the holidays. See you all at training on Wednesday.

Kind regards Tom Johnston Thank you for Photos: Simon Flint and Kate Rice





# U8s Brighton v Old Collegians

The excitement was palpable as 'everyone' braved the cold wet weather on Friday evening out to Brighton.

Mary was BACK the team was ecstatic that their beloved coach was back to lead them. Mark however was a noticeable absence was we all know his flat refusal to step outside the Eastern Suburbs and Brighton is a little too far West, although Amaya turned up and put on a very impressive display of Rugby. Again jeans were a must as well and gumboots, rain jackets, umbrellas and any warm clothes you could find.

The kids warmed up as best they could in such conditions and the parents, guardians and supporters huddled around each other trying to stay dry and warm.

The game was afoot, it was going to be a game of attrition as both teams had a full squad. There was a lot of back and forth, the ref allowing the game to flow as much as possible. Mary lead from the back, directing players as one would direct an orchestra. There were some line breaks from players with good support coming from Harvey, Jamie and Jaco. Ruby made some great tackles as well as Zara and Henry. Leo made some great probing runs all throughout the game. There was only a couple of tries scored in the first half.

Halftime was very different from last week, Mary gently encouraging the kids to climb to greater heights. It worked, they all came out firing. Cullen again making ground up the side, Jacob and Rory making big runs up the middle, Joah tackling and tackling. Jasmine showed some great skill rucking this week, Indy got into everything she possibly could, Amaya played her heart out.

The game ended in a draw, but again from the most entertaining grade in Australia everyone involved walked off the field beaming, sodden and worn out ready for their well deserved hot chips.

An enthused supporter

## U10s Brighton v Old Collegians

Our very first night game had us all very excited despite the rain. Brighton's ground was lit up in expectation, ready for some great Rugby.

So too was the Brighton Under 10 squad. Shew, they were strong from the kick off. Their visible structure and positional play impressive. They worked cohesively, were incredibly strong in defence and dominated the play.

Not to be outdone Old Collegians fought hard, working as a team and continued to make significant improvements to their game knowledge and play. The final score certainly didn't reflect the effort applied by every player during the game. 14 Old Collegians took to the field on Friday and every one of them played so well.

Ewan, as our captain, worked hard, leading the scrum and was certainly an impact player on field. Right from the kick off Ewan had great hands and his ball control was solid. Running straight and making metres.

Aston clearly had his Weet-a-bix for breakfast! He kicked like a boss, make some brilliant runs, chasing down players in defence and ran like wind in attack. Despite taking a couple of impressive ground shaking hits Aston bounced up and kept going. From little things big things grow!

There is still a lot of 'bees around the honeypot' in play but our players are improving every game and we are really seeing them begin to trust each other and grow as a unit. Struan played out of his skin as did Henry Reynolds. Felipe in Scrum Half had some good passing and great control of the scrum. Tonat, once again making incredible runs. One of the best tackles was Filipe and Aston's double hit taking down Brightons' biggest player in the first half. Sid tirelessly tackled anyone and everyone throughout the game, gaining ground and was instrumental in not letting Brighton's score run away.

Moments of joy...

Watching the ball make it all the way to the wing - More than once!

Tackling practice on Wednesday's showing up in the game. The tackling was epic - from everyone.

Hannah, the only girl on field, fierce in the ruck.

Brodie smashing it in defence.

Jobe's resilience.

Communication! There are some real leaders emerging.

We are so proud of the team, they are growing cohesively together with great defence play, emerging line structure, fantastic supportive play and significant improvements in running straight.

The Old Collegians awards for Round 4.
Henry Reynolds - Best on Ground
Struan Cowe - Best Tackler
Aston Apted - Most Improved
Next week we play Port at Port



Thank you for Photos: Jaye Gordon and Kate Rice



## U12s Brighton 61 v Old Collegians 12

We knew Brighton would be tough opposition and that we needed to be at our best. This was made a bigger challenge with the loss of team captain, Zack, to COVID. Sadly it was not to be our week, and the final score did not truly reflect the nature of the game.

Brighton started strong and took control early, putting us on the back foot. They moved the ball well and we were not matching them at the breakdown. This led to an early try at the wrong end. Perhaps still tied from the early kick off, but this seemed to jolt the team awake. Ollie made a good run up the right wing and we suddenly were playing with intent. Brighton surged down the field only to be cut short by a try saving tackle from Patrick (his first of three for the day) in the corner. We worked back into the middle of the field with some committed rucking. Adam picked up from the back of a scrum on the half way line, making yards down the wing. More strong rucking allowed us to maintain possession, and the forwards kept it tight. Billy had two pick and goes, the second getting him over the line for our first try of the match. Soon after, Tanali showed how dangerous she can be with ball in hand with a strong run on the right. She managed to beat a couple of defenders before getting caught in the 22. Despite this, we spent the final 5 of the half camped inside our own 22. Brighton shifted the ball well to the outside backs but somehow we managed to keep them out for multiple phases. Eventually the pressure was too much, but we were really impressed with the way we defended.

The half time score was 21-5 down. Apart from the first 5-7 minutes, we matched Brighton and played with energy and impact, getting to the breakdown well and recycling the ball. Defensively we absorb a lot of pressure, even if at times it was panic stations stuff.

It was crucial we got a quick start after the break, and we got just that. Will T, had a solo run from inside our own half, beating several defenders on the outside, flying down the right wing and crossing the line for our second score. He showed good awareness to make the conversion easier, and Ellis slotted the extra 2 points. From the resultant restart Max made a now signature charge, followed up by Daniel, straight through the defense. The forward pack showed how well they are developing as a unit with a dominant scrumming performance, winning two against the head, and holding strong on our own feed. We certainly outshone the opposition in this area. Ellis, at fly half, put in an outstanding effort, covering the whole field and laying tackle after tackle. However, after about 10 minutes the constant pressure from Brighton began to wear us down. They kept making ground out wide and our tackling was becoming less effective. Not to take anything away from a quality side, but we let them score a few easy tries in the final moments of the game.

The difference on the day was in each team's ability to sustain their level of play, and while we managed 20-25 minutes all up, Brighton were more consistent. With a bye next round we will be working on our match fitness, and on tightening up a few areas ready to face a dangerous Elizabeth side.

Cheers Mike

Thank you for Photos: Bex Ellis and Kate Rice













### U14s Brighton 34 v Old Collegians 17

Sunshine following early rain set the scene again for a perfect day for Rugby!

With nearly a full contingent and a history of tight games against Brighton over recent years, there was a real air of optimism coming into this match. Following last weeks score against Onkas, we new Brighton would be feeling confident and so the key was to take it to them early and again set doubt into the oppositions mind, it was their game to lose, and we needed them to feel the pressure as we new the cracks would come.

From looking at results from previous games this season it was clear that the Brighton centres were key to their attack, contain them and we have opportunity to control the game. The game started well and both teams tested each other out in both attack and defence, it however didn't take long for Brighton to spread it wide giving their no. 12 opportunity to score out wide. As per last week this was against the play and again OC believed we could take control.

The game continued back and forth finally providing opportunity for Thomas to cross the line following a pressure kick by Manuel. Both teams battled it out through to half time with both sides crossing once more before the half time hooter taking the score to 12-12 at the half time break.

OC were feeling confident, and it was obvious Brighton were a little shell shocked with the game so far and the style of rugby OC were playing. There was real opportunity to take hold of this game if the structure and strategies were maintained.

OC seemed to lose some intensity in the second half with Brighton finding the gaps and their centres making holes and scoring twice before OC were able to respond. OC once again started to find their groove late in the second half however the damage had been done before the game was stopped 4 minutes early to allow the next game to start on time!

Overall, it was a solid come back from the previous week, there were certainly opportunities for OC to control this game however some decision made under pressure and loss of intensity by the forwards in the second half coughed up the ball to easily resulting in loss of ground and or tries to Brighton.

Final score down 34-17, Thomas, Harry and Ezra crossing the line after some great team phases. Craig finally got to show us his capability with some strong runs, and Michael dropped back in from Saudi Arabia for a cameo and showed he hadn't lost his pace or defensive skills.

Certainly, things to work on over the next two weeks (bye this week) before the home game against Elizabeth who are reportedly quite a physical side.

Some key message tonight at training were individual fitness and asking the squad to make the effort to focus on fitness outside of training, watch some rugby matches to see how their respective positions react and perform and all be at training twice a week. As mentioned last week it is difficult to run team training when players don't turn up and or don't inform Brian that they will not be at training beforehand.

Cameron

# U16s Brighton 14 v Old Collegians 20

Heading down to Brighton on a drizzly cooler day to play a well drilled and heavily stocked Brighton U16 team was always going to be a challenge. The Old Coll's team are really starting to bond as a unit and it would require solid team work and supporting each other to take away a win. As expected the Brighton boys came out fired up and it was time to test Old Coll's defensive unit. It was impressive!

The tackling was ferocious and we refused to give up any space. With the confidence of holding them out Old Coll's started to attack and with a solid run from Jake, a sweet loop and Tyson being in the right spot the backs worked well to put Mr Hazzard over the line to open the batting. Ivan then surprised the crowd as he plucked out a beautiful intercept and ran it over for a try, which he clinically converted to put some pressure on the score board with a 14-0 opening half for Old Coll's. The defensive pressure by the boys forced knock ons and frustrated Brighton as they went into the change rooms at half time without a point.

The second half started with Archie taking the catch and putting in a good run and Jake put on a monster tackle you could hear on Brighton Road. Finally, Brighton broke through and scored their first points and it was a real battle with both teams gaining ground but being held up on the try line. Ivan overcame the defense with some clever kicking and ended up converting a couple of penalties with some sweet striking of the ball. Ivan played a blinder and was MVP for the game. Jake continued to tackle hard and was best tackler for the day.

Somerled and Tyson both showed some real captain spirit by leading from the front and showing the way with some great passages of play.

The Old Coll's team is really starting to bond and with some brilliant team plays and united defense we will be the team to beat this season. The more we train together as a full team the better the unit so look forward to seeing the bond strengthen at Tregenza on Monday and Wednesday nights.

Tom Richardson

Thank you for Photos: Cameron Hazzard



### U18s Brighton 23 v Old Collegians 29

This week the boys in the red and blue made their way south to play club rivals Brighton for a top of the table clash. With tension from the moment the lads got to the ground the players, coaches and crowd knew they were in for a huge game. To start off both clubs shared a great moment together sharing a minute silence for Kate Robertson mother of Player Noah Robertson who recently passed away.





The first part of the game saw a tight tussle between both teams both showing major aggression and putting in some big hits and good runs. In the 9th minute Noah Browning threw a magical flick pass to Carl Arnold who was able to dive in the corner to score our first and make the score 3-5. After that the boys were applying the pressure on Brighton putting them on the back-foot and keeping it in the attacking half, but to their own fault they could not convert their chances into point on the board. And was then able to let Brighton score and leave the score at half time 8-5.

The second half saw the lads start off with an immense amount of pressure but the boys found themselves with some white line fever and couldn't score with the opportunity's they had. Which aloud Brighton to put on a bigger lead. With the boys moving well in the attacking half the backline shot the ball out and Noah Robertson slid over the line which Carl Arnold converted to make the score 13-12. Captain Oscar Gehan playing well all day showing great leadership and leading by example putting big hits on the Brighton players and making great ground up the field. The lads with the momentum towards them continued to push Brighton, with some great structure Harry Raff turned on the burners and was tackled over the line to score his first then Converted by Carl Arnold to put us back in the lead and make the score 13-19. The boys having some calls go against them allowed Brighton to put on another try which made the score 18-19. The lads fired up as ever playing as a team tiring out Brighton every minute. Harry Raff having an amazing game playing fast and passing some greats balls from the halfback position. The boys were right on the try line and Ryan Barlow was able to sneak through and make the score 18-24. With more calls going against us in the dying minutes Brighton we're able to score as the time almost went off, To make it 23-24. After the missed kick from Brighton the ref decided to keep playing with a high and long kick from Carl it was a huge kick chase. The lads were giving it their all to not let Brighton score and then out of nowhere Hanno de Klerk made an insane intercept and ran to the 5 meter line but got caught and Noah Robertson got thrown the ball and dove over with passion and sealed the deal at 23-29

What a great win as we take top of the table at Brighton's own home ground.

Try's: Noah Robertson 2, Carl Arnold, Harry Raff, Ryan Barlow Best on: Harry Raff, Oscar Gehan, Noah Robertson Cheers Jamari

Thank you for Photos: Mark Green and Jamari











# Third Grade Brighton 36 v Old Collegians 32

Round 4 rolled around for OC3's and we faced our biggest test of the season yet, in a very strong Brighton side away from home. With a team of faces new and old in the squad this week, and people playing in new positions, we were up for the challenge.

From the get go the boys were under the pump from a well drilled Brighton side, with some real quality being shown from the opposition. But the boys soaked up the pressure to keep Brighton to a tight margin throughout the game. Real end to end stuff that could have gone either way.

It was a nail biting finish, where there were real opportunities to win, but alas it wasn't our day and the game finished Brighton 36-32 OC3's

Some real positives to take this week from a group that hadn't trained together until the day of the match. We roll on to next week against North Torrens away.

Tries: Smedley, Hoppo, Mad Dog, Pete Cross, Juan Aguiar, Vaiius Lapworth.

Cheers Alex Jeffries







Thank you for Photos: Alex Walwyn







# Premier Reserve Grade Brighton 35 v Old Collegians 5

You sort of want to say 'keeping on moving, there's nothing to see here'. Tempting to drive on past the Tigers' fortress, take a right at Jetty Road and enjoy a cappuccino and the beach. But, alas, we did stop and we see it. Without dwelling on the details, we fielded the best team we could, including a pretty full bench, in the face of injuries, absences and the every present COVID. With a general shuffle up the grades as a result we were very happy for the support of our qualified U18's Oscar Gehan (No8), Ethan Ellis (flank), Joeli Tavui (outside centre) and Guy Radbone (full back), as well as Tom Deakin, Jervaiius Lapworth, Fraser Jaffray and James Lotz reserving. We welcomed back Henry Southcott (lock) for his first match this year, and Daniel Harding (lock), Tryone Smith (wing), James Dewars and Craig Kurunawai for their first starts with us. To be fair, we held our own for the first 20 odd minutes. With no scoring and not too many penalties, it was unrelentingly hard work but you'd expect nothing less. We held up ok in the scrum and the line out was working well. For all that it was becoming clear that Brighton were more efficient than we were and way more physical up the centre of the park. We did not have the stopping power and the inevitable try (converted) came, followed in quick succession by two more. Heading to halftime, Will Sadler (fly half) took a knock and his right arm was flapping in the breeze as a result. Those of us who have watched Will play over the past 20 years or so know how courageous he is and weren't surprised that he shrugged off a replacement. Things then went from not great, to tragic when Will was caught in a heavy tackle and his left collarbone snapped, ending his season. A marginal call then had us reduced to 14 with a few minutes to play until halftime with a yellow card for Jervaiius. 21 - nil against at the half.

While we were still regrouping after the restart, Brighton smashed up the middle for a try (converted). Regroup we finally did. And though we were managing to deny Brighton scoring, we simply could not apply enough pressure to disrupt them, put any doubt in their minds or create the mistakes we needed to give us scoring opportunities. Having weathered a scoreless 33 minutes Brighton scored again and it was looking as though we would not. With a minute or two to play, we had made it to about 10 metres from the try line but the Tigers regained possession. Then a bit of luck. A loose pass was suddenly in the hands of Chester Armstrong who strolled through the Brighton ranks to the line. That wrapped it up at 5 - 35.

Whilst we could not find the coherence necessary to trouble a well disciplined Brighton outfit, there was tremendous courage from all of the young players and there were excellent individual contributions notably from a feisty Hamish Napier (inside centre), Tryone Smith who always looked dangerous with the ball in hand and best on ground Chester Armstrong who was very effective jumping in the line out, was in just about everything else that happened and saved us from a shut out.

Old Collegians Tries: (1): Chester Armstrong Penalty Goals: (0) Brighton
Tries: (5):

Penalty Goals: (0) Thank you for Photos: Alex Walwyn









# Premier Grade Brighton 43 v Old Collegians 23

Old Collegians worked to get territory in the first 15 minutes, providing Trent with the opportunity for two penalty goals and the first six points. Brighton looked for touch off a penalty on their own 22 but found McKinley instead, setting up a counter-attack with Ackerley down the right wing that ended with Lincoln almost touching down a kick through that just went dead. Brighton's goal line restart dropped short to Dom Lane, allowing Merrin to hurl a long cut-out pass left to McDonough in space and he went over untouched.

Brighton hit back quickly, seizing on an overthrown lineout on the Old Coll's 22 and rushing through the hands to score in the left corner. On the restart Brighton kicked back out of their half but did not find touch, giving McDonough space in the backfield for a pinpoint chip securing a 50/22 and attacking lineout. Lane and Pardoe made strong attacking runs, then Merrin put Killick into a gap and he dished inside to Edgar who finished a jinking run under the posts. Several penalties pushed Brighton up the field, setting up a big lineout drive in the 22 and then an old school penalty tap with a wall move resulting in a try, reducing the half time lead to 18 - 14.

Both teams struggled to gain an advantage in the first 20 minutes of the second half, but a yellow card to Old Colls gave Brighton the upper-hand and space to score in the right corner. The ramped up a dominant 15 minutes, counter-attacking from the restart and finding space for an 80m run down the right wing and in between the sticks. As Old Colls tired mistakes crept in and Brighton punished with their close offload game, creating space in the 22 for a third try in 8 minutes.

In the last 10 Old Colls regrouped and shaped for a break down the right wing from halfway, but a dropped pass and backchat penalty put Brighton back on the attack with a try off a lineout 5m out. Brighton's last try followed another penalty and lineout, leading to a midfield ruck on the 22 where tired bodies were not able to stop them punching back through on the A post. McKinley put the restart short and the tireless Robertson tapped back to Ward, then Trent kicked through and forced Brighton out in their 22. Off the lineout Trent, Lincoln and Edgar drove play close to the tryline on the right, then McKinley swung a bounce pass to the left wing that McDonough scooped up and scored his second try in the left corner to finish the game.

Tries: Liam McDonough (2), Karl Edgar

Conversions: Trent Ormsby Penalties: Trent Ormsby (2)

Best Players: Luke Robertson, Rhys Ward,

Dominic Lane, Lincoln Ormsby
Thank you for Photos: Alex Walwyn













#### **OC News**

# Community Round 5

Mental illness doesn't discriminate – and that includes our sporting communities.

Players, teammates, coaches, support staff and volunteers. Our friends and family on the sidelines.

We're proud to announce that we will be tackling mental health head on when we face Port Adelaide for the Breakthrough Community Round supported by @FleurieuMilkCompany on 07th May 2022.

You can make a donation to support @BreakthroughMHR by visiting our club's fundraising page at:

https://breakthroughwintercommunityround.org.au/oldcolleg...

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# **OC News**

They're coming back - the Wallabies will be in Adelaide for the first time in almost 20 years.



Old Collegians members at Press Release Trlin Family on left

#### **OC News**



#### Thank you.

Nic, Luke, Noah and Emma and all our family xxx

We would like to acknowledge the support of all the medical teams who have cared for Kate along this journey.

Making the last 4 years of adventure possible.

To Tracey (Rusden) our end-of-life doula, you are truly amazing and helped us tread gently down this final path with a warm guiding hand.

Thank you forever!

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Our friends and family are our strength. Forever in our hearts. You have defined us. You gave us adventure.



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A Moment of Pergonal Reflection for Kate Miranda Robertson (née Brown) 22nd April 1968 - 26th April 2022



#### **Meet our Members**



#### Meet our Member - Lorelle Holder

If you could be a superhero, who would you be? Spider Women - if she existed

Who is your favourite movie character? Jason Bourne

Pineapple pizza - yummy or yucky? Sure if it's Gluten Free

What was your favourite food when you were little? Spaghetti bolognaise

Favourite holiday destination? Zambia (The last wild African Frontier)

What was the most rewarding experience of your career? Helping the Yazidi Refugees in Toowoomba, assimilate, get jobs, learn English and feel accepted in their new country.

What is your dream car? Not really a car person, I suppose anything that can pull a horse float.

What or who makes you laugh the most? My four sons, they have a witty, honest humour, and of course the legend, Ricky Gervais.

What did you want to be when you grew up? A Hairdresser or a Kindergarten Teacher, I did both. If I knew what I know now I would have studied Law

What attracts you to Old Collegians Rugby Club? I came from an AFL Family and I played Soccer. My third son decided to give Rugby Union a try, and for our family it has been the best decision we have ever made. Rugby Union teaches respect, there is a position for all sizes of child, adult and gender. Old Cols is a club that you are proud to recommend anyone in becoming a member of, we are a family and we honestly care for each other.



#### Round 5



Luck to

# **Round Five**

Saturday 7th May 2022

vs Port Adelaide @ Baynes Place, Port Adelaide

**Coopers Premier Grade** Good

**Premier Reserve Grade** 

**Womens Grade** 

all U10s

U6s,U7s,U8s teams!

3.30pm

2.00pm

12.40pm

11.40am

11.00am

Saturday 7th May 2022

vs North Torrens @ Flame Avenue, Dry Creek

Third Grade

12.40pm



U12s, U14s, U16s, U18s Bye Round





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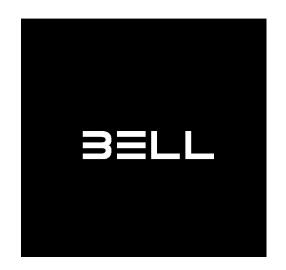
#### Time to meet Tom Northcott:

- If you could be a superhero, who would you be? Batman, so I can drive that car mainly.
- Who is your favourite movie character? Indiana Jones
- Pineapple on pizza yucky or yummy? Yes, send it
- What was your favourite food when you were little? Always a BBQ.
- If only you had more leisure time, how would you spend it? At the club having a few lagers.
- What was your very first job? Pizzahut
- What was the most rewarding experience of your career? Spending time in France learning wine making and grape growing, it was challenging but very rewarding.
- What is your dream car? Soft top, powder blue mustang late 60's or early 70's model.
- What or who makes you laugh the most? I love stand up, it's always best live.
- What if you could say one sentence to every person in the world and they would all listen? What would you tell them?
   No amount of money is worth a second of time.
- What do you think Community sport does for the community? It binds great communities together around sport, leisure and acts to support young kids by giving life skills such as leadership, hard work and respect.
- What attracts you to Old Collegians Rugby Club? Love the club, its one of my favourite places to catch up with old friends, and tell everyone how good we were when we played. (For the record, I was a poor player, but loved the game).
- How did you get involved with Old Collegians Rugby Club? Started playing in under 7's played all the way through to seniors. Highlight was winning under 18's 1st championship for the club.



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#### **Season Draw**







# **Club Diary / OC Save the Date**

# All Functions at Tregenza Oval unless noted otherwise Diary Dates will be added to each Newsletter

May			
6th	Friday	6.30pm	Tasting Australia Event Tickets \$45 on sale via Tasting Australia website (Details to come)
7th	Saturday		Old Collegian's v Port Adelaide (away) 6.30pm Tasting Australia Event (Details to come)
14th	Friday	6.30pm	Junior Movie Night U6s to U10s (Details to come)
June 4th	Saturday	7.00pm	Op-shop Bingo—Family Night (Details to come)
17th	Friday	7.00pm	Old Collegians Fashion Showdown & Dinner (Refer to previous Newsletter and Facebook posts)
18th	Saturday	7.00pm	Old Collegians 1st Grade and Life Members Dinner (Details to come)
26th	Sunday	ТВА	Old Collegians Junior Challenge Day (Details to come)
<b>July</b> 3rd	Sunday	ТВА	Crippled Crows Game
9th	Saturday	TBA	Bob Burgess/Ladies Day (Old Cols v Brighton)
23rd	Saturday	ТВА	Reconciliation Round (@ home against Souths) Beer Pong (Old Cols v Port Adelaide)
<b>August</b> 6th	Saturday	ТВА	Karaoke Night (Old Cols v Souths)
13th	Saturday	TBA	85th Gala Ball @ The National Wine Centre

#### **Old Collegians Meals**

Meals are continuing this week—takeaway available!!

Meals
(vary week to week, please see Facebook posts)
@ \$12 or \$15 with a beer or
\$6 for a half / Child portion (Wednesdays only)

Also available will be

Hot Chips @ \$5
Fresh Fruit salad Cups @ \$5
Enzo Meals with Vegetarian and Vegan Options @ \$11
Enzo Tiramisu @ \$7











#### **Club Merchandise**

# REFER TO PAGES 2 AND 3 OF THIS NEWSLETTER FOR O'NEILLS LEISUREWEAR RANGE

It's a whole lot easier now! A **Shop** facility has been added to the Old Collegians web-site.

Since Covid-19 we have all become very familiar with purchasing items online. Now we can access our Merchandise via the **OC SHOP** facility, with the ability to pay direct with credit card.





Do you need a new Beanie, Umbrella, drink bottle, tie, stubby holder, or scarf.

https://oldcollegians.rugby/shop

Watch this space! Specials will be announced!

New items will be added! What would you like to be able to purchase in your Club Colours?

#### Old Collegians Rugby Union Football Club

#### **Vision Statement:**

To be South Australia's leading and most innovative Rugby Union Club, a strong community based club with a spirited culture.

#### **Mission Statement:**

To build a framework that delivers sustainable, long-term success on and off the pitch for Old Collegians Rugby Union Football Club by including, engaging, encouraging and supporting all Club members and supporters in every aspect of the Club

#### Values:

- Accountability
- Honesty
- Inclusivity
- Loyalty

#### **Photography**

We would like to acknowledge and thank all our regular photographers.

They capture our special moments and help us create Old Collegians memories together for a lifetime.

Thank you so much
Alex Walwyn
Cameron Hazzard
Mark Green
Stephen Behrens
Johnny Pretorius
Kate Rice
Bex Ellis

#### **2022 Committee**

Old Collegians Committee for 2022

President: Rob Costanzo

Vice President: Dave Phillips

Treasurer: Jarrod Deakin

Secretary: Chris Killick

Director of Rugby: Danny McCartan

Director of Junior Rugby: Nate Sos

Senior & Junior Registrar: Mike Manuel

Senior Selectors: Peet Arnold & Doug Mein

Social Co-Ordinator/Rooms: Jo Rogers

General Committee Members: Jamie Punshon,

Alex Kerr-Grant Kate Trlin

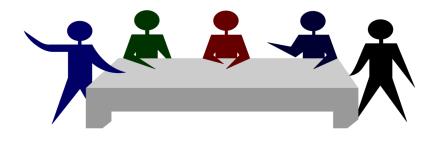
Senior Players Representatives: Mark Johnson,

Samadhi Muhandiram, Chris Bartlett (Chips)

Junior Players Representatives: Hanno De Klerk

Sasha (Alexandra) Humble

Jamari Rennie



#### **COVID-19 Non Negotiables**

It is imperative for anyone who has been at a training session and has tested positive for Covid-19 thereafter that they let their coach know immediately.

Thanks in advance of your ongoing support