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President's Message

All bar our U16 Greens were away from Nagle last Sunday enjoying the geographic expansion of our wonderful city.

There is no game this Sunday and, in fact, our next game is not until Sunday 28 April. However, the U14s may have deferred matches during April. Check messages from your managers regarding that match.

Finally, keep Anzac Day free for the massive local derby v Easts at Coogee Oval. I understand that not only will Grade be there, but First Colts will play as well as, for the first time, our Women's team. Should be a great day of community rugby. Check the Randwick Rugby website for all the details.

Craig Bell
Randwick Warriors President

Randwick Rugby Colts (U20)

Firsts Colts continued where they left off last year by overwhelming Eastwood 89-10 last Saturday.

Seconds won 21-7 and Thirds won 22-21

Randwick Rugby Grade

Last Saturday at Coogee Oval, First Grade was overpowered by Eastwood 12-40.

Seconds won 26-19, Thirds lost 36-50 and Fourths lost 10-26.

Away to Wests this weekend but a massive Anzac Day awaits in the local derby v Easts at Coogee Oval!!

Games at Nagle this Sunday

No Games

Match Reports for 7 April 2019 – Round 2

U13 Whites v Mosman def 22 - 24

U13 Whites v Mosman at Rawson Park
Result – Loss 22 to 24

With only seven forwards available and one of those having his first game of rugby since under 8s it was clearly going to be a tough task for the Whites in this E Div clash. Mosman jumped to a 7-0 lead through their speedy left wing before our boys slowly kicked into gear and started to play some good rugby. After some strong play by the forwards our backs swung into action with a good team try in the left corner to Jamie Jacob. This was followed by two tries to our prop Dante Macri taking the Whites to a comfortable 15-7 lead at half time.

Unfortunately the way we finished the 1st half was negated in the second half with some ill discipline costing us too many penalties. This was compounded by a couple of injuries at crucial times that resulted in the Whites being camped in the quarter for most of the second half allowing Mosman to score three tries to take the lead. To the Whites credit they fought back in the final minutes of the half to score a try but alas ran out of time to make up the deficit.

Our standouts this week were prop Dante Macri with three tries, wing Kane McAuliffe with some excellent defence on a speedy opponent and our new recruit flanker Max"Crissy"Christopherson with some outstanding work at the lineouts. To summarise it was a solid effort by the boys under difficult circumstances.

U13 Greens v Wahroonga won 55 - 0

With an every fluctuating time, it was finally locked in at 10am (I'm sure I'm not the only one who was thankful of the extra hour sleep!) for the U13 Greens to travel to Clif Oval Wahroonga for a show down with the mighty Tigers in this B Div game!

With the team bursting with confidence after their maiden victory, we were keen to see how they would fare against this mob, and they got off to a flyer, these kids sure play a loose brand of rugby, with pop passes of the deck, jinxing runs through the forward channels and well controlled phases due to an engine room that was humming. Once again having a forward pack stacked with ability and enthusiasm - Ollie and his cronies of assassins, Will T, Cooper, Luca and Luini and Co.

Easter is just around the corner but today it was the outside backs though that were on the receiving end of all the gifts, with Tom, Noah, Mitchell and Will romping in 7 of the 6 tries – but it has to be said, they were well finished but once again it was the selfless work done by the forwards and draw and passing done by the inside backs that really created these tries.

With the 40 pt mark being reach late in the first half we opted to drop a player to try to balance the game and it worked to some extent, through the second half it was stop/start with the

referee becoming more critical at infringements at the ruck (i agree with most of his calls – the custard card for Luca was the exception to this though).

And as the game wore on, up stood the real grafters in the team Callum, Evan, Marcus and Oskar sensing opportunities and coming to the fore with strong ball carries and all too eager smother the Tigers ball carriers. Anyway it's hard to be overly critical on their second half.....'cos I kind of did kind of did tell them to back off and not score too many tries but then part of me wanted to see them take control of the breakdown, play smarter, be more dominant.....I cant really have it both ways can I ??

Enjoy the 2 weeks break.

U14 Whites game deferred

U14 Greens game deferred

U15 v Petersham def 12 – 38

This round 2 B division game for the 15's was against Petersham on what was a very warm day.

From the outset the boys were looking a bit lethargic, maybe due to the heat, their commitment was there, but looked a bit out of sorts for most the game, but still ran hard and defended strongly in patches. In the first half Petersham were breaking tackles though and ran in a couple of early tries, they also benefitted from 2 of our players receiving Yellow Cards, playing catch up from then on was too much for the boys, at the half it was 0-33.

A new team structure in the second half produced results where we outscored Petersham and ran in a couple of good tries to Grant Stein and Siteni Taukamo and were close to scoring 2 or 3 more but in the end Petersham took this one 38 -12.

U16 Whites v Manly Vikings def 12 – 36

Randwick 12 V 36 Vikings

Down 7 players we faced a side that had many Div A players playing down in this Div C contest. Even though we were on the back foot from the get-go we all gave 100% for the full 60 mins. Vong Bice had a cracking game in attack and defence. Numa Artru had a solid performance backing up on numerous occasions. Giles Provost with his first game back was impressive breaking up the oppositions defence in attack and making solid tackles in defence. We will meet them again boys you can hold your heads high.

Keep up the good work boys.

U16 Greens won 33-19 v Southern Barbarians

This week the boys were up against plenty of mates from last year's U15 Southern Zone Rep team and so, this A Div game was played in a fair and competitive spirit, which is what rugby is all about.

The Warriors dominated the early exchanges which resulted in a try near the posts by backrower, Ethan King. Soon after, the backline worked the overlap to Adar Barhaim on the right wing whose chip kick landed perfectly for a flying Christian Smirnotis in his Warriors debut for a try.

Unfortunately the penalties mounted, which gave the opposition field position enabling their big forwards to trundle over for a try. The Warriors hit back just before half time with back rower, Ben Zlattner, showing his strength to score.

At half time, in our quest to improve our playmaking depth, fullback Sharn Marr was moved to five eighth and former winger, Jack Harms, took up the No 9 position. And didn't they deliver: from a ruck, Sharn took a pass from Jack, dummied and stepped and outsped the opposition for a stunning 40 metre try; and shortly after, Jack took advantage of quick ruck ball to snipe and accelerate over the tryline.

All in all a pleasing result against some very good opposition.