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## CLUB NEWS

### From the President

We'll start with the semis. Both the 7-2s and the 8-1s were playing for spots in the grand final. Unfortunately both went down but it's not the end of the world – remember boys we only need to beat those teams once and that's in the big one. While they're forgetting about footy next weekend, you'll be honing your skills in the final for the return bout in the grand final.

In the teams that were still in competition games, Keith's 13-1s put up their hand to steal 5<sup>th</sup> place from the Bulls and charge into the semis. Good work boys. Both the 6-1s and 6-2s had good wins and are really enjoying the latter end of the season – it helps when the weather allows successive weeks of footy. Heta's A grade needed a big win over East Hills to keep their hopes for a top 2 spot alive – 48 unanswered points will certainly help that need! Unfortunately Big Dave's 9-1s left their run too late and despite a great comeback, ended just 2 points short. Bad luck guys.

3 teams finished their seasons last weekend. Big Dave's 9s went down fighting but lost by 2 – thanks to Dave Harrington, Paul Griffith, Darren Boland and Jason Nagle. JD's 10-2s had a tough year always struggling for numbers – Thanks to Jon D'Astoli, Kirsten Wilson, Justin D'Astoli, Brian Hannigan and

Stoksie. Eggy's 15s wound up their season with a win and just out of the 5 – thanks to Andrew Brown, Scott and Anne Simpson, Geoff Amy and Daniel Wagstaff. I'm sure the boys and parents in all 3 teams appreciated your efforts and commitment.

### This week's games

Once again we're all over the place. 4 finals games for the 7-2s, 8-1s, 12-2s and 13-1s with the latest being the U8-1s at the Football centre– please try and get to an early game and then finish your Saturday by supporting the 8s at 2.20pm. On Sunday, the 14s are trying to finish their season on a high while the A grade play Berala for the minor premiership. Get to the games and support our boys!!

Go the Saints

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RESULTS ROUND 17 GAMES LAST WEEK: 9 & 10/08/08					
Age	Opposition		For		Against
U6-2	Chester Hill	W	12	-	10
U6-1	Bankstown Bulls	W	26	-	24
U7-3	Season Completed			-	
U7-2	Chester Hill	L	12	-	14
U8-3	Season Completed			-	
U8-1	Berala Bears	L	22	-	40
U9-1	Moorebank	L	6	-	10
U10-2	Chester Hill	L	6	-	16
U10-1	Chester Hill	W	32	-	6
U11-1	Moorebank	W	22	-	18
U12-2	Minor Premiers			-	
U13-1	Bankstown Bulls	W	36	-	18
U14-1	Berala	L	8	-	20
U15	Greenacre	W	26	-	8
A Grade	East Hills	W	48	-	0



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**U6 Div 2 Won 12-10 Chester Hill****U8 Div 1 Lost 22-40 Berala Bears****U6 Div 1 Won 26-24 Bankstown Bulls****U8 Div 3 Season Completed**

The boys came out this week and really wanted to play footy this week, after a coming off a couple of big losses. We had a pretty soft training session due to a pretty ugly storm but still managed to throw the ball around and get some goal kicking practice in. This week saw all the boys really having to put in in defence which really seemed strong and we got away to a great start scoring 3 tries to 1 in the first third.

We slacked off a bit in the next third as the boys thought they had the game one. Bulls clawed their way back in the second and we needed to lift to get home with a win. With a bit of behind the goal post motivational talk the boys were back and brought us home. We saw some of the best defence from Aiden D With some solid ball and all tackles off our line and Jacob with the biggest try saver this season throwing his opponent over the sideline in goals, great effort.

In attack everyone had some great runs and good support. Zac had some great runs and also got his first try, well done. Callum snuck over the corner when we really needed it and our man of the match Jacob bagged a double in an outstanding game. Also Riley put in some big runs crossing for a great try. Big Aiden had a great game with plenty off hit ups and a great kicking game.

It was great to see the boys play hard in a close game and come away with the win. A fantastic effort boys. I think with some improvement in our offloads and more hunger in defence we can take St Johns next week who just came away with the points in a thriller last time.

**Tries** Aiden A 1, Jacob 2, Riley, Callum, Zac

**Goals** Aiden A,

**MOM.** Jacob

Encouragement. Riley

**U7 Div 2 Lost 12-14 Chester Hill****U7 Div 3 Season Completed**

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### U9 Div.1 Lost 6-10 Moorebank

### U10 Div 1 Won 32-6 Chester Hill

### U10 Div 2 Lost 6 – 16 v Chester Hill

In their final game of the season the 10-2's played Chester Hill at home. Short on player numbers as usual we borrowed from the 9-1's who were eager to assist their club mates. Cheso scored early on which wasn't the start we wanted, however we steadied the ship and scored next with a four pointer by Cockie converted by Hus. Game on. In a real arm wrestle Cheso scored a fortuitous try when the ball came free after Kit Kat retrieved a kick in our in-goal. They lead at half time. We needed something special in the second half to earn a victory, but we failed to score through Cheso's determined defence. They were awarded one more try that really should not have been allowed, but the final result read 6-16 against.

Although defeated the boys really had a good go. The 9-1's that played up: Luke, Rhys, Jack & Liam all played very well, particularly in defence. Without them we would have been in some trouble. Our own boys also had some very good performers with non-stop efforts from Cockie, Sniggs, Kitkat & Donnie. The defence by Lollies was greatly improved while Sean & Tui hit-up the ball all day. Special thanks to Darren Boland the U9-1's trainer who acted as trainer during our game as well. It was good to see the master motivator at work.

**Try:** Brendan Dravet

**Goal:** Anthony Harb

**MOM:** Brendan Dravet

**Enc:** Sean Faanoi & the U9-1 players.

### U11 Div 1 Won 22-18 Moorebank

### U12 Div 2 Minor Premiers

### U13 Div 1 Won 36-18 Bulls

Knowing we had to win this game to make the semis certainly got the boys focussed and pumped. We started well but stopped moving up for just one set and they scored. We bombed a try and then let them in again to be

down 8 nil. A great 'one on one' strip by Brandon led to a try by Bolger and then a couple of repeat sets saw Wardie scored in the corner. Josh converted and we led 10-8 going into lemons – the world suddenly looked brighter!! The 2<sup>nd</sup> half turned into a Tamati / Stumpy picnic with a glut of possession seeing them run in 5 tries between them. Though we still made some mistakes (too much 'one out' near the line and forgetting to move up every set), the boys really did put their hands up and show everyone what they are capable of when their minds are on the job. Well done boys, we can keep going.

**Tries:** Tamati 3, Stumpy 2; Pierce 1; Tim 1

**Goals:** Josh 2; Tamati 2

**Diggers MoM:** Stumpy

**Subway PP:** Tamati

### U14 Div 1 Lost 8-20 Berala Bears

A lot of last minute unforeseen injuries and players not being available didn't help the cause. A number of positional changes were made but to they're credit the boys tried hard but couldn't bridge the gap. Thanks to Macca for running the water for us and again to Jake Craven for helping the team out. Our Lotto inner from the Monday night draw is Nina Wagstaff.

**MOM:** Mark Kennedy

### U15 Won 26-8 Greenacre

### A Grade Won 48-0 East Hills



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## ITS FINALS SERIES TIME

Wear the club colours and support the boys in this years finals series

The following teams are playing Semi's on Saturday

U/7 Div 2 @ Bankstown F/B Centre  
11:40 against St. Johns

U/8 Div 1 @ Bankstown F/B Centre  
2:20 against Moorebank

U/12 Div 2 @ Beggell Oval  
12:10 against Padstow Panthers

U/13 Div 1 @ Smith Park  
12:50 against Padstow Panthers

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### WEEKLY WINNERS

Meat Trays: Brock Askill & Scott  
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**Field Set-up: No Games @ Delauney Res**  
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**Canteen Duties: All teams for 60 minutes BEFORE your game.**

**BBQ Duties: All teams for 60 minutes BEFORE your game.**

Joker Draw Raffle Revesby Pacific Hotel Friday: 15/08/08	5.30pm to 7.00pm U15's
Meat Tray Raffles Revesby Pacific Hotel Saturday: 16/08/08 Join the winners list.	3:00 pm to 5.00pm U/6 Div 2's Wear your club colours.

### NEXT WEEKS GAMES: ROUND 18

#### Games: Saturday 16th August 2008

U6-2	10:40	St Johns	Neptune Park
U6-1	11:20	St Johns	Neptune Park
U7-3		Season Over	
U7-2	11:40	St Johns	Bankstown F/b Centre
U8-3		Season Over	
U8-1	2:20	Moorebank	Bankstown F/b Centre
U9-1		Season Over	
U10-2		Season Over	
U10-1	11:20	Dragons	Clemton Park
U11-1	12:00	Greenacre	Neptune Park
U12-2	12:10	Panthers	Beggell Oval
U13-1	12:50	Panthers	Smith Park

#### Games: Sunday 17th August 2008

14 Div 1	12:30	Bankstown Bulls	Padstow Park
U/15		Season Over	
A Grade	1:45	Berala	Peter Hislop Park



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