



# River Road Express

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## President's Report

A belated welcome to all our Club members. Normally by now we'd be onto our second newsletter but our 'Communications manager' was overseas so we decided to wait for him to come back.

I always like to let you know our 'numbers' at the start of each season. We have registered 274 players from under 6s to 'A' grade – 19 teams in total. Of these 274 players, 72 are new to the club while 12 (mainly seniors) are returning after a few years in the 'non-Saints' wilderness. We have recruited 78 volunteers to be coaches, managers and trainers and 22 of these are first time helpers – a big thank you to you all. Once again we have 3 under 6s while our 2011 under 7s have stayed solid to form 3 under 8s – this will be great for the 9s next year.

But what about the football? Round 1 could only be described as sensational with 12 of our 16 Saturday sides winning and 2 of our 3 Sunday sides also saluting – I'm not mathematical but I reckon that's a strike rate of 73.68%. The beer at the Diggers was sweeter than ever and we all raved how the extra training was working; the trials were better, did you see those hits by Lachie McAlpine in the 10s and Christian Devnie in the 12s and we were all over the moon!!!! Unfortunately the season didn't end that night and we had to front up for R2. Thankfully I'm not mathematical because the results could only be described as 'disappointing'. Many sides appeared to be beaten before they went on which is just a rubbish attitude!! I'm sure the coaches will be addressing that. Well done to the 8-1s, 9-2s and 13-2s who were successful. With Sunday already called off, we were left to cry in our beer that night. Let's hope with a full week of training, the results will go our way this weekend.

### Player NRL Passes

We do not have enough passes for every player from the 6s to 15s. Your team's manager will be given a bundle to activate and allocate. If you are going to a game, please see them so you can borrow one (but not for this weekend's games, the passes won't work)

### Daystar 'Saint of the Week'

Our major sponsor at First National Daystar is once again running the 'Saint of the Week' Award, a \$50 Rebel Sports voucher. This season's first winner is **Jack 'Peter/Paul' Finch** from our U15s. In round 1 Jack was out injured so he walked down at 7.10am on the Saturday morning and worked all day at the ground, setting up, on the BBQ, in the canteen and packing up! Great work Jack, much appreciated.

Go the Saints

**John Grealy**

## Round 1 Results

<b>6.4</b>	Dragons	Delauney	Lost	0	26
<b>6.2</b>	Chester Hill	Delauney	Won	16	8
<b>6.1</b>	Colts	Delauney	Won	26	16
<b>7.3</b>	Moorebank	Delauney	Won	22	4
<b>7.1</b>	Tigers	Delauney	Won	10	8
<b>8.3</b>	Moorebank	Hammondville	Lost	16	30
<b>8.2</b>	Moorebank	Delauney	Won	14	12
<b>8.1</b>	Bankstown Sports	Folkes	Lost	14	16
<b>9.2</b>	East Hills	Smith Park	Won	52	0
<b>10.1</b>	East Hills	Delauney	Won	32	4
<b>11.3</b>	Bears	Peter Hislop	Won	24	12
<b>11.1</b>	Bankstown Sports	Delauney	Lost	6	30
<b>12.3</b>	Moorebank	Hammondville	Won	36	0
<b>12.1</b>	Dragons	Delauney	Won	12	10
<b>13.2</b>	Moorebank	Hammondville	Won	30	6
<b>14.1</b>	Moorebank	Hammondville	Won	20	16
<b>15.2</b>	Coogee Randwick	Peter Hislop	Won	54	16
<b>19</b>	Bankstown Sports	Folkes	Lost	6	24
<b>A</b>	Burwood/North Ryde	Killara	Won	26	6

## Round 2 Results

<b>6.4</b>	Tigers	Delauney	Forfeit		
<b>6.2</b>	Bankstown Sports	Folkes	Lost	0	38
<b>6.1</b>	Bankstown Sports	Folkes	Lost	0	32
<b>7.3</b>	Bankstown Sports	Folkes	Lost	14	22
<b>7.1</b>	Bankstown Sports	Folkes	Lost	14	32
<b>8.3</b>	Colts	Delauney	Lost	0	40
<b>8.2</b>	Colts	Killara	Lost	6	16
<b>8.1</b>	Dragons	Delauney	Won	42	4
<b>9.2</b>	Tigers	Roberts Park	Won	22	12
<b>10.1</b>	Bulls	Bankstown Footy Centre	Lost	0	30
<b>11.3</b>	Tigers	Delauney	Forfeit		
<b>11.1</b>	Bulls	Bankstown Footy Centre	Lost	12	18
<b>12.3</b>	Colts	Delauney	Lost	8	10
<b>12.1</b>	Moorebank	Delauney	Lost	0	28
<b>13.2</b>	Johnnies	Delauney	Won	66	8
<b>14.1</b>	Bankstown Sports	Delauney	Lost	4	58
<b>15.2</b>	Wash out				
<b>19</b>	Wash out				
<b>A</b>	Wash out				

**U/6 Div 4 Won on Forfeit**

**U/6 Div 2 Lost 38-0 v Bankstown Sports**

**U/6 Div 1 Lost 32-0 v Bankstown Sports**

### **U/7 Div 3**

#### **Round 1 – Under 7/3 v Moorebank - Won 22 – 4**

Playing at our home ground was a nice start to the season. Our captain for the game was Marcus who showed his team great leadership. Josh had a great game making great runs. Billy, Mason and Matthew followed the play and assisted their team when needed. We saw excitement plus from Max who was eager to get onto the field and play his first real game. Thomas executed great tackles that brought down the opposition, whilst Sam's listening at training paid off for his first game. Our well seasoned player Murray received man of the match for his great game. Unfortunately Alex & Tarley were unable to play but are eager for round 2 to come around quickly.

Tries: Murray, Marcus, Matthew, Josh, Max

Goals: Murray

MOM: Murray

Encouragement: Sam

#### **Round 2 – Under 7/3 v Sports - Lost 14 - 24**

This round saw us playing away at Steve Folkes. Up against stronger opposition this week, we had to battle from the start. 5 of their 6 tries were scored from the dummy half on the last, which shows this is something we need to work on at training. The boys showed great team work in never giving up with us winning the last third but with lack of possession it was not enough to win the game.

Tries: Max, Murray, Alex

Goals: Max

MOM: Max

Encouragement: Alex



### **U/7 Div 1**

#### **Round 1 v Greenacre Tigers**

The boys were very psyched for the 1st game of the year, and couldn't wait to get out onto the ground at Bill Delauney Reserve. After kick-off we took some time to get our defence in order and we were down 8-nil after the first third.

In the second third 'Pistol' Peter Assaf scored a try in the corner from a great run by Oscar 'The Bull' Moseley, making the the score 8-4 Greenacre's way.

The last third saw one of the smallest players on the team Ryan Klem show some speed and score a great try. His conversion hit the up-right and bounced over the cross bar to gives us a 10-8 lead with about 5 minutes to go in the game. We ended up holding them out and came away with as great and passionate win.

Every single child on the team played a great game and their defence in the last two thirds of the game was great, making coach Tim Millar, and all the coaching staff very proud!!!

## Round 2 v Bankstown Sports

After having a training less week due to the weather and the grounds being closed, and then getting the game moved back to 12.20pm, the boys really felt the pinch in this game against the Under 7-1's heavyweights, Bankstown Sports!

'Pistol' Peter Assaf scored a double and tackled his heart out. Oscar 'The Bull' Moseley scored a try and also tackled well. Hayden Swibel kicked the only goal today and he also made some great try saving tackles. On a whole, all the boys got involved, which was great to see! Bankstown ended up winning the game 32-14 making it sound like a big score line, but in reality, both teams were pretty on par in defence, with them having one standout player who scored 5 out of their 6 tries. Last year they beat us rather considerably which shows how much we have improved!

Still a good start to the season for the Under 7-1's... being 1 from 2!!!

## **U8 Div 3 Lost 30 – 16 v Moorebank Rams**

Our first game of the season was not only a new experience for the majority of the TEAM playing Rugby League for their very first time, but also for our Coach Bryan and Trainer Michael being first timers in their respective roles. Resulting in a great effort from all involved.

Though the boys were unfortunately out played by a much larger and more experienced opposition they still managed to hang in there and match the Rams try for try. As it was not up and till the half way mark of the last third that the team's ability to record a win had become out of reach due to the team struggling to contain some of the opposition larger units from crossing over. In also adding that there were plenty of promising signs to have come out of the match and in particular some great defence, top tries being scored and clever passing which should only get better once everyone gains more experience , (**well done boys you played tuff and never gave up**).....

With this weeks **Man of the Match Award** going to Tommy Achram. Who not only scored two wonderful tries, but also defended well and managed to offload some great balls to his fellow team mates, "**well done Tommy**".....

With this weeks tries being awarded to; **Blake Muscat, Tommy Achram, (2), Bianca Cutrupi**. With no successful attempts at conversion.

## **Round 2 U8's D3 Verses Milperra Colts Lost 0 – 40**

This week saw the team do battle with a Colts outfit that had size and speed to burn. The TEAM did their best to hang in there, but unfortunately they were never really in the game with the opposition scoring on just about every set of play when ever they had the ball in attack.

Though in saying this the team did do their best to contain the opposition, never gave up, worked together in defence with some promising signs in attack which nearly resulted in some tries being scored, (**bad luck boy's remember to hang in there**)...

With this Weeks **Man Of The Match Award** going to Bianca Cutrupi. Who talked her heart out all game, was always a treat to the opposition whenever she had the ball and just proved it that she can match it with the best of them. **Well done Bianca**.....

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## U/8 Div 2 Lost 16-6 v Milperra Colts

### U/8 Div 1 Round1 V Bankstown Sports Lost 16 -14

We commenced the season with an away game at Steve Folkes against Bankstown Sports, who were a much bigger side than us. We started the game with a deep kick off from Ricardo and this enabled us to dominate field position. The boys had good line speed in defence in the first third with Trent, Zac and Kaled all taking the boys up in a straight line. This pressure in defence forced a turnover from Sports in their own half and following good runs Jared was able to score from dummy half to give us a lead 4-0, unfortunately we missed the conversion. With the restart Sports finally got into our half, but good work in defence saw us hold them out. We worked the ball up field well with good runs by Alex, Ricardo, Bailey and good service from Sean our dummy half we created plenty of opportunities to increase our lead. However we were tackled out a number of times early in the tackle count as the boys constantly tried to run plays on the short side. We went into the break leading 4-0 and were dominating the game.

Sports kicked off to start the second third and Jared made good ground on the return, which was followed up by strong runs from Luke and Jordan. The Sports began to use their bigger boys in this third and Ricardo really muscled up and took it to them, with great cover defence from Trent and Jared we stopped Sports cold. We worked hard in this third and the boys all put their hand up to take the ball up with Alex, Zac and Bailey all making good ground. Despite the reminder from the coach and trainer at the break to play with the full width we again focused our attack on the short side and were tackled out on a number of occasions early in the tackle count. However we maintained our solid defence and this saw Sports turn the ball over early as well. We scored our second try after some good lead up work from Ricardo, Kaled got our second try which Jared converted to give us the lead 10 – 0. Just before the end of the third Sports scored a long range try which was converted to round out the scoring for the second third at 10-6.

At the break the coach and trainer again reminded the boys to play the full width of the field and not play the short side. We got off to a good start with a good kick off from Jared which was knocked on by Sports. We had the field position early following this error however we were tackled out on the short side again. The boys began to struggle to contain the big boppers in the Sports team this third, and were penalised for moving up too quick in defence. From a repeat set the Sports crashed over to score to level the scores at 10-10 as they missed the conversion. We got a good restart from Zac and Sean doing well at dummy half we were on the attack with Jordan being brought down by good cover defence going for a try in the corner. This gave us good field position and the boys worked hard to keep Sports pinned in their half. We got the ball back in Sports half and following good runs from Bailey, Luke and Kaled which put us in position for Jordan to score our third try, which we failed to convert giving us the lead 14-10. The boys were working hard in defence with Trent and Jared covering any breaks in the line. Towards the end of the game we were penalised for being offside, which was a controversial call, as we were on our own line and their second receiver ran with the ball before being tackled. This resulted in a tap near our line and the Sports big bopper crashed over to score a try, which was converted on the bell to see us go down 14-16.

This was a game that got away from us as we were the dominate side for the majority of the game as most of play took place in the Sports half in each third. We will learn from this game and move forward into the season with a positive approach to our next game. The boys performed well in their first real game, after a much disrupted preseason, and we will grow in confidence as the season progresses.

GO THE SAINTS.

**Tries:** Jared X1, Kaled X1, Jordan X1

**Goals:** Jared X1

### Round 2 V Dragons Won 42 - 6

After another week of disruption to our preparations, due to rain, we played our first home of the season against the Dragons. We started the game with a deep kick off by Ricardo and the boys were on a mission in defence. The speed of our line did not allow the Dragons to develop any rhythm or confidence and this was to be a consistent factor throughout the game. We scored our first try late in our first set after good runs from Jordan, Trent and Kaled put us in place for Sean to score to give us an early 4 -0 lead. We gave the Dragons no time when they had the ball, with great work in defence by Luke, Ricardo, Bailey and Jared leading by example. We scored our second try about mid-way through the third with Ricardo scoring his first try of the day after great work by the boys and we were up 8 -0 but had failed to kick our goals. We continued to dominate the game with our defence and were making good ground when we had the ball. We scored our third try late in the third with Jordan, making a great run leading the Dragons on a merry chase across the field before going for the line and with Ricardo planting our first conversion we went into the break in front 14 – 0 and in control of the game.

The Dragons kicked off to restart the action in the second third and we were on attack from the opening set. The boys all had turns taking the ball up with Zac, Bailey, Alex and Trent all running strongly. Luke and Ricardo were waging an epic battle with the big boppers in the Dragons side and were an inspiration to the team and our fans. They were supported by good coordination at the back by Jared who ensured that our boys were in position in the defence line with great work by Jordan in cover defence. It wasn't long before we scored again, with Ricardo going close on one side of the field to receive a penalty for being pushed out after being called held, he took a quick tap and scored in the other corner with Alex getting the conversion we were in front 20 – 0. The boys were making ground at will in this third which resulted in Ricardo scoring his hat trick after breaking a number of tackles and with Trent converting to give us the lead 26 – 0 going into the break.

We kicked off to start the final third with Jared getting a lot of distance from his kick, which was supported by a great kick chase from Luke, Jordan and Trent which saw the Dragons knock on trying to gather the bouncing ball. We scored in the first set following this with Zac getting over for a good try to extend our lead to 30 – 0. The tap restart by the Dragons saw our boys swarm in to make tackles and to their credit when they were bumped off they got back into the action straight away. Luke was outstanding when palmed in the face he just shook it off and got back into the game making some great tackles and leading the line in defence. When we had the ball, Kaled, Sean, Alex and Jared were all taking advantage of our dominance of the game and this saw Jordan score his second try which Zac converted to give us a 36 – 0 lead. The boys were too busy celebrating and looking at the scoreboard, which saw the Dragons big bopper take a quick tap and score from the restart which was converted for the score 36 – 6 with about 5 minutes to go. We weren't done with the score board yet and Jared returned the favour by scoring a great try, gliding between two of the Dragons big boppers who tackled each other without touching Jared who then raced away to score which Sean converted to round out the score at 42 – 6.

This was an excellent performance by the boys, with the most pleasing aspect being the effort in defence. Our speed of line and the consistency in the boys moving up together was outstanding. All the boys played well in this game and special mention goes to our front rowers Luke and Ricardo, who won the battle up front against the Dragons by making it their job to take it to the opposition forwards, which lifted all the boys in defence. This game also saw Zac kick his first conversion and this was celebrated by all the boys. We are playing with a more set structure this season and the boys are settling into this pattern well and were unanimous in recognising that defence won this game. This was a quality game from our boys and our supporters all enjoyed the game and the way that the boys played.

GO THE SAINTS.

**M.O.M:** The Team

**Tries:** Ricardo X3, Jordan X2, Jared X1, Trent X1, Zac X1

**Goals:** Alex X1, Ricardo X1, Sean X1, Trent X1, Zac X1

### U/9 Div 2 Won 22-12 v Greenacre

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### U/10 Div 1 Lost 30-0 V Bulls

### U/11 Div 3 – Won on Forfeit

### U/11 Div 1 –Lost 18-12 v Bulls

## Under 12 Div 3

### Round 1 V Moorebank Rams

**Won 36 – 0**

Great to be back for another year of Rugby League and more importantly great to see the boys start off with a very convincing win against the Moorebank Rams. The first half saw the boys dominate the play even though both sides experienced an even amount of possession. The boys managed to hold their own in both attack and defence which enabled them to go into the half time break with a comfortable 18 -0 lead on the scoreboard.

The second half again saw the boy's dominate the game through some very good "TEAMWORK" in not only being able to pour on another 18 points, but also run away with a very comfortable win by assisting each other in some very solid defence and especially in and around the ruck area. In also not only controlling the ball very well, but also spreading it in attack which resulted in a total of seven tries being scored by seven different members of the team, (**well done boys you played well from start to finish**).....

With this weeks **Man of the Match Award** going to Shaun Bailey. Who defended well out wide all game. Went looking for the ball in attack and as a result scored a beautiful try that not only broke the opposition's heart, but was also the turning point of the game, "**well done Shaun**"....

To also add this weeks tries being awarded to; **Ryan Solo, Luke Colley, Shaun Bailey, Sebastian, Unwin, Kye Muscat, Blake Linnegar, Cooper Ellison**. With our successful kicks at goal going to; **Ryan Solo, Blake Linnegar, Jack Barnes, Cooper Ellison**.

### Round 2 U12's D3

#### Verses Milperra Colts

#### Lost 8 – 10

This week saw the boys at home against a spirit Milperra Colts side that was coming off a big lost from the week before and in contrary with ourselves coming into the game with a very convincing win from the previous week., **(it's just like 1st grade boys, you need to respect your opposition and more importantly turn up to play football every week without fail)**...

Everything appeared to be going right for the visitors and in saying this their first half display out match us in every facet of the game resulting in the Colts heading into the half time break lead at 10 points to nil.

The second half proved a big turn around for the boys in that they new they were behind on the scoreboard and needed to play some good catch up footie and as a result. The TEAM was able to start clawing their way back into the match with some strong defence and clever attack which really proved an arm-wrestle for both sides right up and till the full time siren had sounded.

Though looking back at the match results it was the number of unforced errors and pressure that the boys kept on applying to themselves and not the opposition that was really the difference from winning and losing, **(Remember boy's it's the little things in a game of football that make a big difference)**.

With this weeks **Man Of the Match Award** going to Jack Barnes. Who played very well in both attack and defence. Always made valuable metres which the side going forward when running onto the ball and also played his part in defence, **well done Jack....**

This weeks tries being awarded to **Blake Linnegar, Patrick Kotsaris**. With both attempts at conversion being unsuccessful...

### U12 -1 Round 1

#### St Christopher's V Dragons

With the trial games disrupted by wet weather, the team was eager to get on the field for round 1 of the season. It was a shaky start with our boys kicking off first, only to receive a penalty off the kick for not kicking 10 metres. The game was intense with plenty of hit ups and some great defense from both sides. Everyone was out to impress for the first game. The game was a tight contest with both sides giving it their all. The boys showed plenty of heart and with a tight contest for the entire game they came up on top with a 12-10 victory. With a win under their belt the boys know they have plenty to work on to take on the reigning premiers Moorebank next week.

Tries: Christian Devnie, Michael Fahd.

Goals: Bodie Bradford, Seupule Fiailoa (Junior)

Score 12-10 WIN.

### Round 2

#### Lost 28-NIL v Moorebank

Coming off a win, the boys were confident going up against Moorebank for the 1<sup>st</sup> time in 2012. Although they knew it was going to be a tough match up against the reigning premiers., they were going to give it all they had. The goal this week was to really work hard on their defence. First half was very promising with the boys muscling up and taking it to the competition, but, Moorebank managed to break our defence crossing for a try, they did not convert and by half time the score was only 4-0. Second half and the boys were still in the game but with a combination of some bad calls from the ref and some silly mistakes, Moorebank found some rhythm and ran away with the game. The boys are straight back into training and are preparing for their next match up with Bankstown Sports. They have taken a lot of positives away from this match and come the next time they meet they will be better prepared.

## **Under 13 Div 2**

### **v Moorebank WON 30-6**

1st game of the new season and it was great to see the boys smiling and hear the Saints song after the Win. Coach was happy to see some elements from training being used on the field and it was clear the boys were numbering up in defence and understand where they needed to be. Following the half time talk, the boys showed immediate results and their talk on the was positive. Still some things we can work on and of course getting to the ball from kicks and No Walking, will be the theme for training.

Hayden had a great game with 4 Tries, and we welcome 2 new players Moey & Joel to the Team. Jack suffered an elbow injury late in the 2nd half but is thankfully OK.

Tries: Hayden 4, Nathan, Luke & Riley.

Goals: Luke.

MOM: Hayden.

### **v St Johns WON 66 - 8**

Our Boys started slowly and allowed their Team of 10, mostly inexperienced players, to dictate the game. A score of 8 - 6 half way through the 1st half is not something we should have to look at against this type of opposition. Once we settled down to our game we easily handled this team and the half time score looked a lot better at 32 - 8.

In the second half, one of their boys went off so we had only 9 players to mirror!. Everyone wanted to be a forward and long runs, off loads and who was going to kick the Goals became our biggest worry. Again their Tries came from our mistakes and ball security will be worked on at training. Our tougher opposition is still to come, but all our boys enjoyed this one, after the heavy losses of last season.

Tries: Luke & Nathan x 3, Jack x 2, Julian, Riley, Jonah, Rhys & Anthony.

Goals: Jayden, Julian, Adam, Luke, Abdul, Rhys & Liam.

## **U/14 Div 1 round 1**

### **Won 20-16 v Moorebank**

THE BOYS GOT OFF WITH A GOOD START TO THE SEASON DEFEATING MOOREBANK 20-16.

MOOREBANK CAME OUT VERY STRONG AND TESTED OUR DEFENCE ON A NUMBER OF OCCASSIONS SCORING THE 1ST 4 POINTS OF THE GAME.

THE BOYS REGROUPED AND WITH SOME GOOD SPREADING OF THE BALL OUT WIDE JOSH WENT OVER TO SCORE OUR 1ST 4 POINTS.

THERE WAS SOME GOOD DEFENCE AND SOME STRONG HITUPS AND FATU BROKE THE LINE AND WENT IN NEXT TO SCORE AND CONVERT HIS OWN TRY. LUKE ANNAKIN & TOM WERE OUR OTHER 2 TRY SCORERES OF THE GAME.

OVERALL AS A TEAM WITH SOME NEW PLAYERS AND NEW COACH AND TRAINER THEY SEEM TO BE GETTING IT TOGETHER VERY WELL. KEEP UP THE GOOD EFFORT AND HARDWORK AT TRAINING AND IT WILL CONTINUE TO PAY OFF.

### **U14S DIV 1 LOST AGAINST BANKSTOWNS SPORTS 4-58 Round 2**

The boys took a hard hit from the Sports at home this round.

Both teams started off well with Luke Annakin going over to the score the first try of the match Sports soon levelled the score but both tries were unconverted with the score level at 4-4 with only 10 minutes before the bell. By half time Sports led 22-4.

In the second half Sports attack was too strong and the boys couldn't match them in defence. Maybe we put this down to a wet week with training. Lets regroup and come out strong in round 3.

## **U/15 Div 2 – Wash Out**

## **U/19 – Washout**

## A Res Won 26-6 V Nth Ryde

Today was the start of a new era at St Christophers, with the A gde rebuilding for the future after being the most successful A gde side in the district for the past 10 yrs. We took the field with 13 new players and only 5 from last year to make the 18 with an average age of 22 so provided we hold on to these players we should continue to build strongly over the next few years. With the team being so young and inexperienced we decided to play in the A reserve div 1 comp to give the young ones a chance to find their way.

It's a reasonably strong comp with a mixture of youth and experience. Today's game was against Nth Ryde who I'm led to believe were the reigning reserve gde premiers from 2011. We have had a pretty poor start to the season and have only had one ballwork session together due to the lack of numbers at training with a lot of the young ones having tech commitments so our focus today was on defence, knowing that if we got that part of our game right our attack would look after its self. We kicked off and Jason Mayoh absolutely smashed the ball carrier from Ryde, to set the standard for the rest to follow, and follow they did, By halftime we led 18- 0. 4 minutes in to the 2nd half and we crossed for another try to lead 22-0 and at this point we dropped the intensity and allowed nth ryde back in to the game and for the first time in the game nth ryde started to make some metres up the middle with some lazy defence from us to score their first try to make the score 22-6 from this point on the game became a game of dropsy with both teams blowing many scoring opportunities, we managed to score just before fulltime to record a 26-6 victory. This was a good result from a team that has been thrown together in just 6 weeks. James martin was the pick of the forwards leading the way with 9 hitups, James leten had a great game in the backs scoring 2 tries and won the players player award and jason mayoh had an outstanding game and was well supported by our fullback nathan pollard, stoney had a good game in the 2nd row and nathan sellings our skipper led the team well and kept us on the front foot with his kicking game, next week is against Leichhardt Wanderers who defeated Five Dock RSL 30-10 today so we need to be at our best to compete with them.

To all our new sponsors, welcome aboard and to our ever faithful returning sponsors, welcome back and i hope to see you at our games this year and many thanks for your support.



**There was a disturbance in the football force last weekend when Scott Simpson was not seen anywhere near a footy field. Turns out he has taken up a new sport. Thanks for the memories Simmo. Is Masters Netball your new project??**

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## This Weeks Games Sat 28<sup>th</sup> April

U/6 Div 4	BYE		BYE
U/6 Div 2	9.00	Moorebank	Hammondville Oval
U/6 Div 1	9.00	Bulls	Bill Delauney
U/7 Div 3	9.40	Chester Hill	Bill Delauney
U/7 Div 1	10.20	Dragons	Bill Delauney
U/8 Div 3	BYE		BYE
U/8 Div 2	11.00	Chester Hill	Bill Delauney
U/8 Div 1	10.20	Greenacre	Roberts Park
U/9 Div 2	9.40	Milperra Colts	Killara Reserve
U/10 Div 1	11.40	St Johns	Bill Delauney
U/11 Div 3	11.50	Moorebank	Hammondville Oval
U/11 Div 1	12.20	Greenacre	Bill Delauney
U/12 Div 3	12.10	Chester Hill	Terry Lamb
U/12 Div 1	12.20	Bankstown Sports	Steve Folkes Res
U/13 Div 2	1.30	Bulls	Ruse Park
U/14 Div 1	12.40	Berala	Peter Hislop Res
<b>Sunday Games</b>		<b>29<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
U/15 Div 2	11.10	Bondi United	Heffron Park
U/19 Div 1	1.45	Mascot	Neptune Park
A Res	2.45	Five Dock	Five Dock

## Raffle Winners

\$50 Meat Baron voucher – Trent Colquhoun

Meat Trays – Col Macarthy and Warwick Poll

Joker Jackpot - **\$8,550** with only 8 cards left. Drawn at 6:30 Friday, Revesby Pacific Hotel.

## Raffle Roster

Friday 27/4, Joker Draw raffle at Revesby Pacific from 5:30 – 7:00, Under 15's

Saturday 28/4:

- (a) Revesby Pacific Hotel, Meat Tray raffles from 3:30 – 5:30, Under 11's
- (b) Panania Diggers, Meat Tray raffles from 3:30 – 5:30, Under 7's