



**BRO NEWS**

### Committee Update

➤ **Pay up to Play the game – REMINDER!**

Subs are due on the **1<sup>st</sup> April.**

Students \$175      All Others \$225

Credit Cards pay online at [www.brothersrugby.com.au/subs](http://www.brothersrugby.com.au/subs)

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Account: 1027 6686

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➤ **Non Playing Memberships**

Level 1 - \$30 member receives all Brothers social emails

Level 2 - \$60 Member receives Brothers Polo shirt and receives all social emails

Level 3 - \$70 Member receives Brothers Fleece and receives all social emails

Level 4 - \$100 Member receives Brothers Polo, Fleece and receives all social emails

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➤ **Suited and Booted**

Kit has been ordered and will be handed out on the Thursday before the first game the 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Gear provided as part of your subs include; Training T shirt, Club Polo, Shorts, Socks and Club Kit Bag. Other gear available includes; Hoodies, Fleece, Tracksuits, Wet/Cold Weather Jacket, Board Shorts, Hats and Caps. Prices on this gear will be available shortly.

Check out the **March Social Function** information at the bottom of the Newsletter!

Check out the **NEW Player Profile** Segment at the bottom of the Newsletter!

**NEWSFLASH!**

Trial Game this weekend! 9am  
Wakehurst Rugby Club



**IMPORTANT**

➤ **Coaches announced!**

Coaches have been confirmed as the following:

First Grade – Tom Burns

Second Grade – TBC

Third Grade – John Andrews

Fourth Grade – David Bullard

➤ **Managers Announced!**

We are please to announce the following managers for 4<sup>th</sup> grade – Dave Taylor and Roy Anderson.

➤ **Managers Needed.**

Please contact Matt McIntyre with expressions of interest at [m.mcintyre@cmcmarkets.com](mailto:m.mcintyre@cmcmarkets.com) or call on 0404351577

➤ **Chocoholics**

Please contact Keith Bromwich [keith.bromwich@bluefishsoftware.com.au](mailto:keith.bromwich@bluefishsoftware.com.au) if you would like to sell chocolates to raise money for the club. This can be done socially or at work and 66% of all money raised going to the club.

### Training Update

With the season fast approaching I am happy to report that the boys are travelling well in the training department. As a group they have a great attitude to training and we are also working hard on our discipline (apart from the two brothers who seem to think it's funny to knock off my stop watches).

The new favourite at training by all accounts is the Double Malcolm's with quite a few blokes begging me to see if I can spice them up a bit as they are getting a bit easier. I am happy to announce that I will be unveiling the new variety very shortly.

I would like to thank Al aka Weapon Head for coming along and taking the boys for a skills session, I will be using Al throughout the year and its great for the club he is willing to give up his time and advice to help us out.

The next few weeks see us heading into trials and some very hard competitive training sessions, I would ask all players to bring along head gear, mouth guards, boots etc to all sessions from now on. Get ready boys its going to be a tough three weeks but we will be flying for the 4<sup>th</sup> April and the season opener.

Si K is back from o/s and unfortunately failed to weigh in when he arrived home so all bets are off on the amount of weight he put on, I would also like to take this opportunity to announce a few new nicknames. We have Noodles (Si) and Ten pin (G), also don't forget everyone to ask our club captain how he went at golf on the weekend apparently he had a blinder.

The weekend provided a good opportunity to get some serious after hours training in, good work on the non golfers who managed not to get thrown out of the golf club before we got back from playing. Well done matt for giving us a great laugh on the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole. Noodles and B2 if only you two homos could punch properly you would both be out with broken ribs lucky for us you can't. Ten pin well done on the bowling front just next time remember to let go of the ball. B1 we had much more fun without you so can you arrange for your Melbourne friends to come up every weekend, Tank, sorry Pogo, well done for staying out past midnight I told you that you wouldn't turn into a pumpkin. Thanks to the dwarf for throwing herself in front of the maxi taxi to get us home and yes B1 that's how we got home.

Ok so boys three weeks to the season starts lets rip into some serious training and start looking forward to a successful and fun year.

Tom Burns (OC)

➤ **Draft Draw**

Round 1: 4<sup>th</sup> April

BYE: 11 April (Easter)

BYE: 6 June (Queens Birthday)

BYE: 1 Aug (TBC)

Round 18: 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug

Grand Final: 12<sup>th</sup> Sept

➤ **Practice Makes Perfect!**

Trial Dates have been set as follows:

**14/3 - Wakehurst Rugby Club  
10am Start - be there 9am**

21/3 - Wakehurst Rugby Club

28/3 - Location TBC

This Sunday 15/3, Brothers Rugby are hosting a rugby development day for approximately 200 boys from St Pius (SPX) at Oxford Falls. Tom Burns is running the session and we need some able body Brothers lads to assist Tom in running the session successfully. The Development Day is from 9.30 - 11.30am (we would need you there a bit earlier). Brothers needs to reengage with the school with events such as this, if we are any chance of attracting any of the 75 rugby boys in year 12 to or ranks for season 2010. Directly following the development day in the morning, is a Gala Day where touch footy will be contested between the students and old boys. I have several (young - 21 ish) old boys confirmed to come and play. A number of these boys have been playing colts at Forest and will be going into seniors this season. We need some Brothers lads (SPX old boys or not) to also play touch footy with them and convince these 'Forest' boys across to Brothers. We could also use a hand with the BBQ. SPX Old Boys Association will be making a donation to Brothers, so please help out your club.

To let Dave Bullard know that you can help your club out or for more information, please contact;

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Matt McIntyre: E: [M.McIntyre@cmcmarkets.com](mailto:M.McIntyre@cmcmarkets.com) M: 0404 351 577

## Social Update

- Super 14 Night at the Orchard.

This was a well attended evening watching the Waratahs take on the Chiefs.

Club Captain Matt McIntyre was late to the proceedings but was duped into believing that at half time the score was 33 all and that there had been a lightening strike at the ground resulting in the Ref going off injured and the game being cancelled! Ha ha.

- **MARCH EVENT – The Social Olympics Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> March, following the second trial game**

The Social Olympics are sent to test you in every way imaginable. Within your team you will be pushed to the limit of your trivial knowledge, you will be pushed to the max with your entertainment skills and you will be tried physically and mentally in ways never before attempted.

- Expressions of interest for the 2009 Social Committee should be emailed to Emily McIntyre at [emilygompertz@hotmail.com](mailto:emilygompertz@hotmail.com)
- WATCH THIS SPACE

April Event – Players Dinner and ANZAC Day celebrations

## **ALL NEW PLAYER PROFILE SECTION**



## Player Profile



**Full Name:** Matthew James McIntyre

**Specs:** (height, Weight) 180cm, 100kgs

**DOB:** 09/05/81

**Position:** Flanker (either side)

**Most respected opponent:** Daniel Boxer. We played against each other since the age of about 10 and we were equally as competitive. Loved the games against him and when his dad moved he started playing for in my team we formed a formidable and fast back row.

**Most famous player played against:** In 2001 we had our NPC camp before the competition started and the All Blacks had the week off in the Tri-Nations and were around the corner (about 20 minutes away) and we were asked if we wanted to train against them for a few hours. Was great fun and the first thing I did was clean out Jeff Wilson. He was one of the players I respected the most in the 2001 All Blacks. But an opponent in an actual game, Daniel Carter. Whenever we played Southbridge we knew not to give away penalties within our half as the skinny number 10 would knock them over from anywhere

**Best game you ever played:** Would have to say the Ranfurly Shield game we played against Canterbury in 2002. I was on the wing marking Scott Hamilton and I think I showed him up every time I got the ball (only about 5 times) and he did not beat me all day. I have it on tape if anyone is interested....

**Any strange pre game rituals:** In the warm up I go through the same stretching sequence every time.

### Quick Fire Questions:

**Holden or ford?** Who cares?

**Blonde or Brunette:** Brunette

**Cheese or chocolate:** Cheese

**Boardies or Speedos:** Boardies

**Star Trek or Star wars:** Star Wars (only new to that)

**Would you eat a horse?** Yes

**Last book you read?** When Munster beat the All Blacks

**If you could have one super power for a day what would it be (invisibility, immortality x-ray vision, super strength, Flying)** Flying

**3 famous dead or alive people you would invite to a dinner.**

Josh Kronfeld, Billy T James and Sir Edmond Hillary