

# BRO NEWS ISSUE 3



Managers Needed.

Please contact Matt McIntyre on 0404351577

## NEWSFLASH!

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## Committee Update

### ➤ **Managers Needed!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Team managers are an important part of the rugby club machine. They act as the link between the Coach and the team and help organise the team before and during game day. A list of duties is available from Club Captain Matt McIntyre if you are interested in a position or, know of anyone that wants to contribute to this great club by just being there and supporting the players, please put your name forward. A rugby club is only as good as sum of its parts and managers are needed to keep the engine running smoothly.

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

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### ➤ **Up Coming Games**

Petersham Home 25.04.09

Balmain Away 02.05.09

Merrylands Away 09.05.09

Hunters Hill Home 16.05.09

Epping Home 23.05.09 – Veterans Day

### ➤ **HOUSE DUTIES**

Week one saw Paul Brown's Red team in charge for our first home game. A great effort was put in by Red house and they earned a total of 8 points for their house. Week 2 saw Scott James' Blue team put in a good effort away against UWSH. There were a few good performances by the blue team and they got 6 points.

- This week we have the last of the teams (Si "Noodles" Kearney's Yellow team) taking up the challenge of the house duties for our home game against Petersham. Hopefully they can do as good a job as the previous 2 weeks.... time will tell

- **Coaches**

Please ensure you are in contact with your coach about training and availability for games. If you are not able to attend a training session or a weekends game please text or call one of the below. This saves time and enables the coaches to plan the training session.

**First Grade** – Tom Burns - 0404468040

**Second Grade** – John Andrews - 0434047827

**Third Grade** - TBC

**Fourth Grade** – Dave Taylor - 0411172505, Roy Anderson - 0414 706 195,

David Bullard - 0414262638

### The OC Corner

Well the first two weeks of the season proper are underway with a visit from Blacktown and trip to UWS producing contrasting results for all four grades.

Before I dive into the match reports, I would like to remind players they do have a responsibility to the club and their team mates to contact someone within the club PREFERABLY THEIR COACH OR CAPTAIN to let them know if they are unavailable for training and game day. It gets a bit difficult to select teams when we have no idea who is fronting up.

After the shenanigans of the Social Olympics, which we joyously got to relive on facebook, we had the job of getting ready to play Blacktown. Training was disrupted by the weather so when Saturday arrived we had no idea what the result would be.

#### ROUND ONE

4<sup>th</sup> Grade started off the day with a solid win; the team is made up of seasoned first graders from various eras of the club and should be able to get the club off to a winning start most weeks, if we are not all crippled before the end of the season.

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade showed that they had not had a team run and they copped a bit of a hiding from Blacktown who showed some good quality in these two grades. No one could fault the commitment from the players involved and thanks to everyone who backed up.

1<sup>st</sup> Grade ended the previous week by copping a spray from their coach who by all reports questioned their sexual persuasion. Well they certainly showed Coach Cranky that they mean business this season. The opening 20 mins the boys took everything that last years premiers could throw at them and just as they started to build some pressure of their own Blacktown scored an intercept try. The whole process was repeated in the next ten mins and the boys where down 14 nil. The boys stood up to the challenge eventually going down gallant losers 34-10. The Pack stood toe to toe with the boys from Blacktown and never took a backward step earning the respect of their opposition. 3 Points to Si aka noodles who showed he will be a great threat at 9 this year, the other points going to the book ends JE and Scotty.

## Player Points:

4th Grade		3rd Grade		2nd Grade		1st Grade	
Michael Bird	1	Hugh Eriksson	1	Hugh Eriksson/Keith Bromwich	1	Scott James	1
Clark Smith	2	Ben Granger - Holcome	2	Justin Cook	2	Jon Evans	2
Dan Ridley	3	Michael Wood	3	Gerard Shannon	3	Simon Kearney	3

## ROUND TWO

Round two saw an early start for about 30 likely lads from brothers being picked up by bus outside the RSL at 9.30. One first Grader looked decidedly shady but we wont mention any names (he is from Northern Ireland though and plays full back).

4<sup>th</sup> Grade once again got up against a handy UWS side. Unfortunately Tim Liebrant hurt his knee ended up in hospital and is on crutches for six weeks after an operation. Good luck Tim with recovery, by all accounts Tim apparently enjoyed the anaesthetic applied by the ambos. It does have to be mentioned though that while Tim was damaging his knee he bombed a certain 5 pointer.

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade once again struggled from some no shows and late withdrawals (not noodles), 2<sup>nd</sup> grade warmed up with 3 players with most of 3<sup>rd</sup> grade doubling up. Thanks again men for backing up I am speaking from experience that is virtually impossible to compete in first grade when you play 2 games. On this note I have to say that a number of first grade players made in known to me that it was not right that others play two games and they stay fresh, it was my decision to keep them fresh and try a get a win up which they very nearly did. Hopefully with players coming back and a game at home next week numbers won't be an issue. Special note and thanks to Pat Gourtley, Pat played 4<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, he also wore a girls outfit on the WF Bus trip and managed to spew out of the bus window with hardly any mess. Job well done Pat, but please next time get a proper outfit, I mean those shorts.

1<sup>st</sup> Grade did not train well through the week and coach cranky was once again throwing a bit of a wobbly, once again we headed into a game without a proper team run. There was a bit of excitement in the team though with the upcoming Bus trip and the rumour that Scotty James had been stitched up by the Gibbs boys.

The boys where switched on in the warm up and new they had a responsibility to perform well for the club and they started the game superbly going 5 nil up inside the first ten mins with the forward pack dominating early. This week the backline looked a lot more settled with actually training together and G man moving closer to the action. In a game that was full of end to end action, UWS edged us out by 9 points. The turning point came halfway throughout he second half when down by 9 points we received a penalty 10m out from their try line when simmo blew a gasket and threw a punch which got the penalty reversed and a man sent to the bin (bit harsh).

The boys played well with great spirit and adventure. Brownie played a cracker of a game spoiling their line out, Brownie also received two points from the man in the middle. Brownies cockiness came back to haunt him however as he threw up after getting home from torrid bus trip.

J. Gibbs got the three points from the coach after a storming first half, after giving him the points I asked what the catalyst was for the turn around in form, he abruptly told me he swallowed 5 no doze before the game, which contradicts his request to be taken fro the pitch as he was too tired. A check of the surveillance cameras at the Orchard around 3am the next day saw he was not looking so tired or lonely I might add.

Billy Madgwick (aka Jesus) took 2 points off the coach with all all-round quality display that also earned the points for player's player. Sadly for Jesus his day went down hill from there. My sources said that Jesus was asked to leave the after match establishment for throwing up into the water feature, I'm not sure if this now makes it a holy shrine or not but I will keep an eye out for miracles. The night did not end there though for the Top man, obviously not happy with blessing the pub, he decided it was a good idea to try and convert the cab driver, that was until he was turfed out on his ear with a 30 min walk home. Well played Billy.

1 point went to Captain Matt, who played with busted rib cartridge (idiot) and may have received more accolades but he dropped the ball over the line under the posts I might add.

Player Points:

4th Grade		3rd Grade		2nd Grade		1st Grade	
Patrick North	1	Andrew Johnson	1	Aaron Neate	1	Simon Kearney/Matt McIntyre	1
Stephen Jaques	2	Aaron Neate	2	Hugh Eriksson	2	Bill Madgwick	2
Hans Krenmayr	3	Hugh Eriksson	3	Dom Long	3	John Gibbs	3

Special thanks must go to Keith "Popeye" Kitchen for falling asleep in the toilets at the pub; to Donatello for throwing everything he could out of the bus window including my dinosaur, which also happened to contain \$300. Rambo flew under the radar and seemed to have pulled off a polished display off the field as well as on it. However hot of the press Sunday morning we heard reports that Rambo went missing once he finally tucked himself into bed only to be found sitting on the tiles in the bathroom naked talking to himself, to top off his night only swift action by Shel prevented him from relieving himself in the bedroom (not the first time this has happened which may explain the reason for George "G man" Telaheiva's wet towel on tour).

Special thanks to all the boys for taking the time to make it such a special day for Scotty, I believe he really enjoyed himself and I will be asking the centre if he can come out with us more often.

Looking forward to the weekend and the visit of Petersham. GET TO TRAINING BOYS.

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## Social Update

### ➤ APRIL EVENT – The World Famous Bus Trip



### ➤ WATCH THIS SPACE

#### **May Event – Veterans Day 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2009**

At 12pm sharp, 4<sup>th</sup> grade start the afternoon of festivities off against Epping. This year a number of those who would have otherwise been enjoying the proceedings from the sideline have decided to 'don' the boots for just one more season in the "Feisty 4's". Currently 4's have won 2 from 2 games. There are some new faces at the club this year so get along to Roseville Chase Oval from 12 noon to support all the grades. Following the speeches at the conclusion of 1<sup>st</sup> grade, everyone is invited to come along to the Orchard Tavern for dinner and a few drinks.

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

# PLAYER PROFILE



## Player Profile



**Full Name:** Jonny Gavan

**Specs:** (height, Weight) Not Tall Enough, Not Heavy Enough! 5'6", 70kgs

**DOB:** 24.11.76

**Position:** Wing

**Most respected opponent:** Anyone faster than me. (I'm not that fast, it just looks like I am because of my short stature.

**Most famous player played against:** Dennis Hickey

**Best game you ever played:** Golf!

**Any strange pre game rituals:** Have a big Friday night

### Quick Fire Questions:

**Holden or ford?** Neither

**Blonde or Brunette:** Both

**Cheese or chocolate:** Both

**Boardies or Speedos:** Boardies

**Star Trek or Star Wars:** Star Wars

**Would you eat a horse?** Already have

**Last book you read?** Blink, Malcolm Gladwell

**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.**

Ghandi, Hitler and Jimi Hendrix