

News

Changes to 2010 Competition Draw

Please note that changes were made to the Senior Women and U18 draws on Wednesday 21 April. You can download the most up-to-date draw from the SA Rugby website at http://www.sarugby.com.au/season_comp.html

Coopers Alehouse Volunteer of the Month Winner in April – Gai Williams of Southern Suburbs RUFC!

Congratulations to Gai Williams of Southern Suburbs RUFC who is the winner of the Coopers Alehouse Volunteer of the Month in April.

Over the years, Gai has been team manager of junior state teams, volunteered at the Adelaide Sevens on several occasions, worked in the club's canteen and bar and volunteered to be team manager for both junior and senior club teams. This season, Gai is heavily involved in the running of Southern Suburbs RUFC and in 2010, she is the Club Registrar, Records Officer, U16 Team Manager, Assistant Senior Teams Manager and is on the Club Executive Committee.

Gai is at the club every Tuesday and Thursday making sure the water bottles are filled, coaches have full access to training equipment, players get ice when needed, registration forms are completed, collecting players fees, making telephone calls to players, liaising with parents and spouses of players and ensuring that the training lights are turned on & off. She spends a considerable amount of time working the computer at home in order to carry out her volunteer work to the best of her ability.

Southern Suburbs believes that the club “would not run as smoothly as it has for the last couple of years without Gai's dedication and attention to detail.”

Gai will be rewarded with an \$80 voucher for dinner at the Coopers Alehouse.

Thank you to all clubs that nominated a volunteer throughout April. Please note that all unsuccessful nominations are carried over to the next month.

To nominate a volunteer at your club for the month of May, please go to: http://www.sarugby.com.au/season_saru_volunteer_of_the_month.html.

Community Rugby Day and Bartercard Cup Finals

This year, Community Rugby Day coincided with the finals of the Bartercard Cup at Burnside Rugby Club. We saw some fantastic action throughout the day from the Bartercard Cup, Plate, Bowl and Shield finals with the Bartercard Cup being won by Brighton over Old Collegians 23-13. We also saw 300 Under 8s and Under 10s taking part in the Gala Day. For all the Bartercard Cup Finals results visit <http://www.sarugby.com.au/BartercardCup2010.html>

Approximately 140 people attended the hospitality marquee where Western Force and Springbok player André Pretorius was the guest speaker and everyone indulged in a gourmet BBQ lunch by mybutcher accompanied by Coopers beer, Schweppes soft drinks and fine wine. Earlier in the day, André Pretorius ran a Kicking Clinic on 24 April 2010. The clinic was attended by 25 players who all benefited from the tips and tactical knowledge offered from one of the world's best. Thank you to the Burnside Rugby Club for hosting Community Rugby Day and all who attended and took part on the day.

SA Rugby signs new Corporate Partner – Schweppes

SA Rugby has signed on a new Corporate Partner for the next four years, Schweppes. Schweppes has come on board to support all SA Rugby clubs by providing a rebate system for every case purchased through Schweppes. This is a great way to make some extra money and it takes the hassle of purchasing soft drinks yourself as Schweppes will deliver the product to your club for you. Our

Schweppes representative, Brad Jones, is a keen Rugby man and will be setting up meetings with all clubs to discuss to proposal and each individual clubs needs in the near future. Some of the products under the Schweppes brand include Pepsi, Solo, Sunkist, Gatorade, Cool Ridge water and Spring Valley juices. If you have any queries about the Schweppes partnership, please contact Mel at SA Rugby on 7224 8150 or mel.summers@sarugby.com.au

Aqa Oysters Match of the Round.

The first Aqa Oysters Match of the Round for the 2010 season will be Onkaparinga v Burnside on Saturday 8 May at Wilfred Taylor Reserve. For the full list of Aqa Oysters Match of the Round dates please visit

http://www.sarugby.com.au/news_2010_04_27b.html

SA Women's Rugby State Representative Team Raffle Prizes

The winners of the SA Women's Rugby State Representative Team Raffle Prizes are as follows:

1st Prize – 2009 signed Australian Sevens Team jersey. Winner is Mickey (Green, A 77 ticket).

2nd Prize – 2007 (75th Anniversary year) signed Vodafone Adelaide Black Falcons jersey. Winner is Rob (Purple, A 73 ticket).

3rd Prize – Vodafone Adelaide Black Falcons cap signed by MorganTirinui (Wallaby). Winner is Mark Todd (Purple, F 39 ticket).

SA Rugby will contact the winners shortly. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all that supported the Women's Rugby State Representative Team by purchasing a raffle ticket.

2010 Over 35's Golden Oldies

The first of the 2010 Golden Oldies rugby matches for South Australian rugby veterans over the age of 35 will be held at **North Torrens Rugby Club** on **Sunday 2nd May**.

Kickoff is at **12:00 noon**.

Registration from **11:30 am**.

The game will be followed by a **BBQ** and drinks at the bar. All welcome!

The schedule of games for the 2010 season is:

Game I	12:00 noon, Sunday 2nd May 2010	NORTH TORRENS	GAME ON!
Game 2	12:00 noon, Sunday 23rd May 2010	ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY	
Game 3	12:00 noon, Sunday 20th June 2010	PORT ADELAIDE	
Game 4	12:00 noon, Sunday 11th July 2010	WOODVILLE	
Game 5	12:00 noon, Sunday 1st August 2010	OLD COLLEGIANS	
Game 6	12:00 noon, Sunday 29th August 2010	TBA	
Game 7	12:00 noon, Sunday 12th September 2010	TBA	

Venues for games 6 and 7 will be published soon.

To register your interest, or for more information, please contact one of the coordinators below:

COORDINATORS		
Terry Hall	0412 844 408	terry.hall@adelaide.edu.au
Peter Brown	0403 338 940	brownpeterj@yahoo.com

For updates throughout the season, please go to the Over 35's Golden Oldies webpage:

http://www.sarugby.com.au/golden_oldies.html

Super 14 Matches at the Coopers Alehouse this weekend!

Head down to the Coopers Alehouse this weekend to watch the Super 14 matches. Coopers Alehouse is a proud sponsor of SA Rugby and the Volunteer of the Month Program.

Super 14 matches on this weekend:

Friday 30 April

Highlanders v Waratahs

Saturday 1 May

Stormers v Crusaders

Hurricanes v Chiefs

Brumbies v Reds

Cheetahs v Blues

Sunday 2May

Lions v Western Force

Bulls v Sharks

Coaching, Officiating & Development

ORS Club Development Conference - Real Clubs, Real Stories

The Office for Recreation and Sport invites you to attend the 2010 Club Development Conference – Real Club, Real Stories.

Sunday 30 May 2010, 8.45am – 3.30pm
AAMI Stadium Convention Centre
Turner Drive, West Lakes

Be inspired by keynote speakers:

Peter Fitzsimons - Columnist, ex Rugby International & best selling author.

Colin Pearce - Colin's message is straight forward "If you have a sick club, you either have a sick story or you've forgotten your core story. If you have a great club, the only way you'll keep it great is to re-live and re-tell the story."

Peter speaks on his favourite subject of sport and gives his thoughts on the importance of community clubs in today's society.

Breakout sessions conducted by clubs include:

- Plan your club in one hour
- Star Club Development project
- Technology - friend or foe for your club?
- Attracting new members and volunteers
- Financial and marketing tips
- Keeping your club compliant

Cost: \$30 for the first club delegate, second delegate at no cost. Lunch, morning and afternoon tea provided.

Register online now at www.recsport.sa.gov.au and receive a double pass to a PORT ADELAIDE POWER AFL game at AAMI Stadium. (100 tickets available for regional delegates, 100 for metropolitan delegates).

For enquiries phone the Office for Recreation and Sport on (08) 7424 7677

Tennis SA invitation to attend First Aid Course

Tennis SA would like to invite people of the SA Rugby community to attend a specially designed First Aid Course.

Course details:

Venue – Tennis SA Offices (War Memorial Drive)
Cost - \$99.00 (incl. GST)

Date – Friday 14th May 2010 Time - 8:30 am– 4:30 pm (½hr lunch)

Course title – Course in Essential First Aid NTIS code – 21367VIC

Duration – Approximately 10.5 Hours Min and max number of participants – 12 to 20

For more information, please go to

http://www.sarugby.com.au/news_2010_04_28.html

Junior Referees/Assistant Referees (Touch Judges)

This year the SARURA will appoint referees to U12 and up, as well as some assistant referees (touch judges) for these grades. However, it will be the clubs' responsibility to provide their own referees for U8 & U10 games, as well as most assistant referees (touch judges) for U12 and up games. Such appointments should include collaboration between the opposition clubs.

In 2010, SARURA (via SARU) will provide match payments for games from U12 and up to match officials - referees/assistant referees (touch judges) - on a quarterly basis. However, the referees/assistant referees (touch judges) (a) must ensure that their names are listed on team sheets for the respective games, and (b) must be accredited (have completed the relevant courses – and for all U19s this includes attendance at a LDP).

SA Rugby juniors (U19s) interested in touch judging or refereeing in 2010 should attend a Leadership Development Program (LDP) Course. The final LDP course for 2010 will be held at the SA Rugby Office, War Memorial Drive North Adelaide from 6:00 to 7:15pm on Monday 21 June. The final Level 1 Assistant Referee (Touch Judge) Course for 2010 will be held at the SA Rugby Office, War Memorial Drive North Adelaide from 6:00 to 7:15pm on Monday 15 June.

Please register for courses by emailing your name, club and email address to info@sarugby.com.au

2010 Grant Opportunities for Clubs

For a list of grant opportunities for clubs in 2010, please go to the Club Development page on the SA Rugby website:

www.sarugby.com.au/res_development.html and click on 'Grant Opportunities for Clubs in 2010'.

Office for Recreation and Sport Training and Development Opportunities

The 2010 ORS Training Calendar is available at the following link:

<http://www.recsport.sa.gov.au/coaching-officiating/courses.html>

Club committees and coaches are encouraged to download the 2010 Training Calendar and register for upcoming courses.

General Notices

Phil Hoffmann Travel Rugby World Cup 2011 Cruise

CruiseCo, an Official Travel Agent for Rugby World Cup 2011, New Zealand has chartered Rhapsody of the Seas for two wonderful cruises combining the highlights of New Zealand as well as the major matches. As a member of CruiseCo Phil Hoffmann Travel Cruise Centre has access to these EXCLUSIVE packages.

The First Cruise will operate round trip from Auckland for 8 nights and will be in Wellington for both quarter finals on 8th and 9th October 2011. The Second Cruise will operate for 13 nights from Auckland to Sydney and will be in Auckland for both Semi Finals, the Bronze Final and the Final itself.

Bookings are now open for sale. Contact Phil Hoffmann Travel Cruise Centre on 1300 88 99 53 for full details on this once in a lifetime Rugby Cruise. Prices start from just \$3,270 per person twin share for an 8 night cruise or from \$8,130 per person twin share for a 13 night cruise. Phil Hoffmann Travel as Major Partners of SA Rugby will make a donation for all bookings received via SA Rugby Members.

This is one Rugby event not to be missed!

2010 SA Rugby Union AGM

The 2010 SA Rugby Union AGM will be held on 12 May at the SA Rugby Office.

Office for Volunteers Newsletter

Read this fortnight's edition of the Office for Volunteers' electronic newsletter, *The State of Volunteering On-line*, by visiting

<http://www.ofv.sa.gov.au/newsletter.htm>.

Gilbert Ball Orders

Gilbert is the official ball of SA Rugby. We encourage all clubs to use Gilbert balls and support our fantastic sponsors. To order your balls for the 2010 season contact Cathy at SA Rugby on (08) 7224 8150 or go to the following link for an order form:

http://www.sarugby.com.au/corporate_merch.html

KooGa – Official kit provider to SARU

Please note that KooGa remains the official stock merchandiser for SA Rugby in 2009 and gear is available through SA Rugby or KooGa at www.wrskooga.com. Contact the South Australian KooGa Sales Representative, Richard Wasley, on 0410 434 224. **KooGa** are also suppliers of **Silver Fern training equipment** www.silverfernaust.com.au

Dates for the Diary

Sat 1 May

SA Rugby Competition Round 1

Tues 15 June

Level 1 Assistant Referee (Touch Judge) Course
SA Rugby Office
6:00pm – 7:15pm

Mon 21 June

Leadership Development Program (LDP) Course
SA Rugby Office
6:00pm – 7:15pm

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