

News

SA Rugby Members Meeting, 25th February

SA Rugby would like to thank all attendees of the Members Meeting held on 25th February 2009. It was a successful turnout with all clubs well represented. The SA Rugby Union Strategic Plan was presented by CEO Lachlan Clark. Secretary, Neil Whittaker, presented an overview of SA Rugby's financial status for 2008. Both were well received by members.

SA Rugby Conference 27th & 28th February

SA Rugby would like to thank clubs, referees and their members for giving up their own time to attend the Rugby Conference last weekend. It was a huge success with over 100 people attending over the two days.

SA Rugby Union's New Premises

A reminder that SA Rugby has moved to an exciting new location at:

**Memorial Drive Complex
War Memorial Drive
North Adelaide SA 5006
PO Box 43, North Adelaide SA 5006
Ph: (08) 8232 7101
Fax: (08) 8231 8066**

2009 International Rugby Sevens Adelaide

International Rugby Sevens Adelaide TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Don't miss out on being part of the huge rugby festival and purchase your tickets to the International Rugby Sevens Adelaide NOW!

The biggest carnival in Australian Rugby just got bigger with the expansion of the 2009 International Rugby Sevens Adelaide to three days. The tournament will now kick off under lights at Adelaide Oval on Friday 3 April 2009 and run through to Sunday 5 April. Ticket prices start from just \$17!

For more information or to purchase tickets visit www.adelaidesevens.com.au

Tickets available through Ticketek www.ticketek.com.au or phone 132 849.

Dates and Times:

Friday 3 April: 5.30pm – 8.30pm. Gates open 4:45pm
Saturday 4 April: 12:15pm – 6:30pm (approx). Gates open 11:30am
Sunday 5 April: 10:30am – 7:00pm (approx). Gates open 10:00am

2009 iRB Sevens Adelaide Ticket Prices:

TICKET TYPE	FRI Only	SAT	SUN	2-DAY Pass
RESERVED				
Adult	\$27	\$46	\$52	\$87
Concession**	\$22	\$27	\$34	\$49
Family***	\$54	\$92	\$104	\$174
GENERAL ADMISSION				
Adult	\$17	\$27	\$34	\$55
Concession**	\$12	\$17	\$19	\$30
Family***	\$34	\$54	\$68	\$110

International Rugby Sevens Adelaide BUSINESS LUNCH

Once again in 2009, SA Rugby will be holding the International Rugby Sevens Adelaide Business Lunch. Proceeds from the Business Lunch will go towards Variety – the children's charity and SA Rugby Junior Development.

Date: Friday 3 April 2009

Time: 1pm – 4pm

Venue: Adelaide Convention Centre

Key Note Speaker: Robbie Deans, National Coach, Qantas Wallabies

Three course meal, beer, wine and soft drinks

Dress: Business

Tickets: Table of 10 \$1,350 plus GST

Individual tickets \$145 plus GST

(Ticket price includes one General Admission ticket to the International Rugby Sevens Adelaide at Adelaide Oval on Friday 3 April 2009).

To purchase tickets or for more information please contact Melanie Summers at SA Rugby on 08 8232 7101 or email mel.summers@sarugby.com.au

To download a Ticket Order form refer to the bulletin on the SA Rugby website: www.sarugby.com.au

BOOK NOW – SELLING FAST!

Elizabeth 52nd Annual Rugby 7's Tournament **Saturday, 28th March 2009**

This event is the longest running Rugby Sevens tournament in the Southern Hemisphere. It has been a qualifying round for the Adelaide Provincial Sevens and has attracted teams from all over Australia, New Zealand, Fiji and many other countries.

Nominations are now open for the following teams:

Men's 7-a-side

Over 35's 10-a-side

Women's 10 a side

Under 18's 10-a-side

(Women's & Under 18's will only be run if sufficient numbers nominate)

Each team will be provided with their own marquee for the day along with ice, water and fruit.

Nominations to be received by Friday, 27th February 2009

All monies to be received by close of business, Friday 13th March 2009. For more information and the nomination form refer to the bulletin on the SA Rugby website: www.sarugby.com.au

Bartercard Cup

The draw is now out for this year's Bartercard Cup. It can be found in Memo 0809, distributed to clubs on 23rd February 2009. It can also be found on the SA Rugby website homepage: www.sarugby.com.au

SAPSASA

SAPSASA District Walla Tournament

Dates for the SAPSASA District Walla Tournament are on the sarugby web site www.sarugby.com.au under 2009 Season, Key Dates.

SAPSASA Walla Rugby Sevens Tournaments

District	Date	Venue
East Adelaide	Tuesday Feb 24	Burnside RUFC
Tea Tree Gully/Salisbury East and West	Thursday Feb 26	North East Districts RUFC
Barossa and Light	Tuesday March 3	Barossa Rams RUFC
Elizabeth	Thursday March 5	Elizabeth RUFC
Airport and Western	Tuesday March 10	Port Adelaide RUFC
South West/Southern Valley	Thursday March 12	Brighton RUFC
City South	Monday March 16	Southern Suburbs RUFC
Onkaparinga North and South	Wednesday March 18	Onkaparinga RUFC

Southern Heights	Tuesday March 24	Adelaide University RUFC
Adelaide South East	Thursday March 26	Old Collegians RUFC
METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIPS	Wednesday April 1	Adelaide Oval

Coaching Education

Date/Time	Course	Venue/Time
11 th March	Smart Rugby Course	Brighton RUFC 6:30pm
25 th March	Smart Rugby Course	Old Collegians, time TBA
3 rd May	Foundation Course	Adelaide Oval, time TBA

Notices

Junior Team Entries

SA Rugby is now calling for calling for junior team entries, excluding under 18's, to be confirmed by COB Monday 16th March 2009.

Junior Ten-A-Side

At the JYRC Meeting on 23rd February it was decided that the junior pre-season competition would take the form of a ten-a-side tournament. The event is planned to include U12 – U16's and take place on Sunday 26th April at Burnside RUFC.

More details regarding team entries and timings will be distributed in a Memo to club secretaries

State Coach & Management Positions

SA Rugby is calling for expressions of interest for the following positions for the 2009 Season:

- U12's Coach & Manager, travelling to Canberra 18-20 September.
- U14's Coach & Manager, travelling interstate at the end of the Season.
- U16's Coach and Manager, travelling to Sydney to compete in the national U16's Championships 1-6 October.

All expressions of interest are to be submitted to SA Rugby by COB Friday 13th March 2009.

2009 Affiliation Fees and ARU Insurance Levis

No changes have been made to the Affiliation Fees and ARU Insurance Levis for 2009.

Member Protection Policy

Please make sure your members are aware of the Member Protection Policy, found on the Australian Rugby Union website -

www.rugby.com.au/member_protection_policy.78348.html

Please be advised that Memo 35/08 referring to Police Checks and Code of Conduct Sign Off has been distributed to all clubs.

KooGa – Official kit provider to SARU

Please note that KooGa remains the official stock merchandiser for SA Rugby in 2008 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

3rd to 20th March

Bartercard Cup

28th March

Elizabeth 7's Tournament

3 April – 2009 Official International Rugby Sevens Adelaide Business Lunch

3 - 5 April – 2009 International Rugby Sevens Adelaide

25th April – Vodafone Adelaide Black Falcons Trial Match

26th April – Junior 10's Tournament

Please remember to forward this Bulletin to all your members & interested parties.

If clubs have any news, information or articles of interest, please contact SA Rugby at: info@sarugby.com.au or 8232 7101.

Please also check the SA Rugby homepage for further news and information. www.sarugby.com.au

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