

News

Combined States make history at Australian Schools Championships

The Australian Schoolboys Division 1 Championships were held in Sydney from 8-13 July. Teams competing in the Division 1 Championships are Queensland, NSW, ACT and a Combined States team that is selected from the states of South Australia, Victoria, Western Australia, Tasmania and Northern Territory who all competed in the Division 2 Championships the week prior to the Division 1 Championships.

In a history making achievement, the Combined States team, including South Australia's representative Willem Zwaan, made it to the Grand Final where they met a very tough Queensland 1 team. Despite losing the Grand Final 43-17, it was an outstanding tournament for the Combined States team. To book a place in their first ever Grand Final, the Combined States team defeated NSW 1, 20 -15 and Queensland 2, 17-15.

Once again, congratulations to Willem Zwaan from Henley High School and Western Districts Vikings for being selected in the team.

Championship Final:

Queensland 1 - 43 (Curtis Browning 3, Simon Morahan 2, Kimami Situata 2, tries, Rohan Saifoloi 2, Cayden Metehaere 2 con) **Defeated Combined States - 17** (Rod Esekia, Sam Yakopo tries, Kyle Godwin 2 con 1 PG).

U14 State Representative Squad

Announcement

The Union has appointed the following coaching team; Mark Dobson (Head Coach), Tim Sumner (Assistant Coach), Warren Healey (Team Manager).

To ensure we view all players who are deemed to have the correct skill, fitness, and attitude levels to represent South Australia, we invite you as coach/ manager of your clubs Under 14 team to select the players who you feel meet these standards. Further to the notice sent out recently, we encourage the players to attend the following North and South Training Sessions.

North Training Session:

INVITED CLUBS: Barossa Rams, Elizabeth, NEDS, Burnside & Old Collegians
WHEN: Sunday 19th July
WHERE: North Torrens RUFC – Cnr Flame Avenue & Churchill Road, Dry Creek

South Training Session:

INVITED CLUBS: Onkaparinga, Brighton, Southern Suburbs, Vikings
WHEN: Sunday 19th July
WHERE: Southern Suburbs RUFC - Bailey Reserve, Aldershot Street, Clarence Gardens

Players wanting to take part in the training sessions must arrive wearing their club socks and appropriate rugby training attire & equipment (rugby shorts, jumpers, head gear, mouth guards, boots, water bottle etc.) Players that are successful during the training sessions will then receive further notification and details of the trial game the following week.

From these training sessions a North Trial Squad and a South Trial Squad will be selected to participate in a **State Trial Match on the 26th July at Bailey Reserve 1pm to 3pm**. A squad of 22 will then be selected from this final trial game.

If players are unable to attend their respective trial due to injury, we would request that these players still attend the sessions. If for any other reason a player is unable to attend please ensure they contact the **Team Manager – Warren Healey 0438 836 119**.

Competition Draw & Results

2009 Competition Draw & Results

The latest copy of the draw and results ladders are available on the SA Rugby website www.sarugby.com.au, under *2009 Season > SA Rugby Competition*.

Aqa Oysters Match of the Round

The next Aqa Oysters Match of the Round will be held at Woodville RUFC on 18th July 2009. See below for details or for more information go to:

www.sarugby.com.au/corporate_hospitality.html

Round	Date	Host Club	Venue	Match
12	18 July 2009	Woodville	Gleneagles Reserve	Woodville v Old Collegians

South Australian Rugby Veterans – Over 35s Golden Oldies Rugby 2009

2009 Programme

Game 5 – Sunday 9th August 2009 at Woodville RUFC

Game 1	12:00 noon, Sunday 3rd May 2009	NORTH TORRENS	29 players
Game 2	12:00 noon, Sunday 24th May 2009	ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY	33 players
Game 3	12:00 noon, Sunday 21st June 2009	OLD COLLEGIANS	30 Players
Game 4	12:00 noon, Sunday 12th July 2009	BRIGHTON	32 Players
Game 5	12:00 noon, Sunday 9th August 2009	WOODVILLE	RSVP by 4 th August 2009
Game 6	12:00 noon, Sunday 30th August 2009	PORT ADELAIDE	

RSVP to Terry Hall by email (terry.hall@adelaide.edu.au) or phone (0412 844 408)

CONVENORS		
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Please refer to the Over 35's Golden Oldies page on the SA Rugby website (2009 Season > SA Rugby Competitions) for important match arrangement details.

Coaching, Officiating & Development

SA Referees Association – Next Meeting

Wednesday 5 August at the Earl of Aberdeen

Dinner from 6:00 pm

Meeting from 7:00 pm

All "Friends in Rugby" Welcome

Go to <http://www.sarugby.com.au/coaching.html> for more information on courses.

General Notices

SA Rugby Union Special General Meeting

There will be a Special General Meeting of the SA Rugby Union for members and delegates held on 5 August 2009 at the Memorial Drive office at 6.30pm.

Notice has been sent out to all clubs and relevant personnel. For further details contact Cathy Heuzenroeder at SA Rugby on (08) 7224 8150.

SA Rugby New Telephone Number

Please note SA Rugby's old telephone number will no longer be directed to our new line as of the end of July. Please ensure that you have noted our new telephone number - **(08) 7224 8150**. Please notify your relevant contacts and members and change all of your existing

records. The Vodafone Results Hotline number remains the same – 0451 308 766.

Hall of Fame & Life Member Nominations

Closing soon: Hall of Fame and Life Member nomination details can be found on the SA Rugby website:

www.sarugby.com.au/about_members.html

DVD's available for Aqa Oysters Match of the Round and VABF Match

Each Aqa Oysters Match of the Round and the Vodafone Adelaide Black Falcons v Darwin Mosquitoes Match are recorded by Peter Wilkin. Peter has DVD's of these matches available for purchase. Please contact him on 0448 084 771 or peter.wilkin@bordnet.com.au if you wish to purchase a DVD.

Vodafone Community Rugby Day Photos

The complete album of pictures from the day can be purchased from the SA Rugby office for \$20.

SA Rugby Advertisement – Friday Advertiser

Each Friday, SA Rugby places an advertisement in *The Advertiser* regarding the Premier grade weekend fixture. Make sure you check out the advertisement each week.

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 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

18th July

Aqa Oysters Match of the Round
Woodville vs Old Collegians
Gleneagles Reserve, Ailsa Avenue, Seaton

9th September

Don Smith Awards Night
Venue TBA

18th September

Pre-Grand Final Lunch
Venue TBA

19th September

Brice Grand Finals
Bailey Reserve, Clarence Gardens

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