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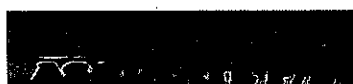
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Oatley Rugby Union Club 2005 report

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Yet another year of Rugby comes to a close and what a great year it's been. Plenty of teams competing in grand finals with two premierships winning teams, record numbers of boys and girls playing rugby, we had many of our players chosen in representative teams and to top it off we finished the year as the Southern Zone Champion Club.

On the mini's scene, our under 6's unearthed a new try scoring sensation who destroyed James Horne's long standing record of 55 tries scored in a season. Andrew Clarke scored over 70 tries! Watch out for him next year. Obviously the quality coaching received from his dad, new coach Danny Clark helped! Unfortunately they were pipped in the Gala Day grand final. Nos. of mini players for all teams except Under 9's looked really healthy so we need everyone searching for potential Under 10 players for next season. My sincere thanks goes to Todd Armstrong, who, as Minis Co-ordinator for both Oatley and Southern Districts did a fantastic job with the draw, mini's referees and generally ensuring that Saturday mornings ran like clockwork.

The junior teams, under 10's through to Under 16's had another very successful year. On the second last day of competition, there was still the possibility that Oatley could have 6 teams competing in the 7 grand finals held. Unfortunately the 11's and 15's were beaten in the major semi finals and didn't make it through to the decider, but on Grand Final Day we had more teams than any other competing at Forshaw. Our Under 10 Golds were defeated by Burraneer Blue and our under 13's fell at the final hurdle against Easts Wallaroos. Considering they had finished bottom half of the table last year it was a credit to the players and coaching staff for a wonderful season.

To me, the highlight of the season was the look on the faces of the Under 14 players and their coaching staff and supporters when they realized they had finally defeated Rockdale 19-10 to win the Grand Final. They battled courageously against a larger opposition but through sheer persistence and Rugby skill they emerged victorious. This team has been runners up for the past two seasons and I can't think of a more deserving team to win a title. Congratulations to all the players, Rod Ringland, John Malouf and Jeff Reece for a truly fantastic year.



Bruce and Kerry Smart's Under 16's again showed what a terrific Rugby team they are by playing the entire season undefeated for the fifth year running. They won the Southern Zone championship last Saturday by defeating a very determined Burraneer side 32-20 after extra time. Many of these players have achieved the recognition they deserve by being selected in not only the Southern Districts Team which won the NSW State Championships and the Southern Zone team. More importantly, the Oatley Rugby Club has five players that have been selected in the NSW Under 16 schoolboys team and four that have made the Sydney Under 16 schoolboys team. All nine will be competing in the Australian championships in October. I'd be quite confident in saying that no village Club had ever had such representation before. Congratulations on another fantastic season of Rugby.

Clubs like ours don't just happen – there is an awful lot of time and energy that goes into ensuring your children have an enjoyable environment in which to play. There is a small group of people within the Club that deserve special recognition for the commitment they show and the work they do for the Club. On behalf of the Club I'd like to especially thank the following Club members. John Francis is involved in virtually every aspect of the running of the Club and spends much of his personal time ensuring its successful running.

Our Club would struggle to survive without the input John makes to its well-being.

I also want to sincerely thank Kerry Smart for the time and effort she puts in to the Club, from managing the 16's, to organizing the clothing, to ordering for and running the canteen, to being the best registrar in Sydney. I don't know what we'd do without these two. There are many others that deserve credit. I've already thanked Todd Armstrong for his work with the minis. Don't forget Jodie Lander, our wonderful editor that produces such a great magazine every week. Our Club is very lucky to have such a dedicated group of coaches and managers that continue to astound me with their patience and encouragement of our children.



We were lucky to have Robert Streamer volunteer to design a web-site for the Club this year as part of his HSC exam. Have a look at it at www.oatleyrugby.com and let us know your thoughts. We're always looking for people to contribute to its development and maintenance. Congratulations go to Robert as the final project has been nominated to go on official display as one of the quality works.

The canteen is a major source of income to the Club and I must thank all the people throughout the year that have jumped in and offered to help serve or to cook barbecues for us. Special mention again goes to my two daughters, Juliette and Annabelle, who have spent countless hours serving in there, year after year.

We are also indebted to our many sponsors for their constant financial support.

- St George Maso's have this year agreed to a 3 year sponsorship deal and we couldn't be happier in calling Maso's our home. The staff have been unbelievably friendly and in particular I'd like to thank Paul O'Connor and Kerry Mather for their continued support.
- Allan Horsley and Mazda NSW for their support of junior Rugby throughout NSW.
- Kerry and David Lavelle of Austen Jewellers at Riverwood for their donations for our Trivia Night
- Galluzzo's Pharmacy at Riverwood for their donations for our Trivia Night
- Thanks to all the individual team sponsors too.

Finally, I wish to thank to all the players and parents that act as a taxi service each week, lugging the players between training home and matches during the cold, winter months.

I've really enjoyed my year and I look forward to seeing you soon,

Richard Sheahan

Junior's Statistics

| Under 6's | 2005 | | | Club Total | | |
|------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | Matches | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Austin Andrew | 14 | 21 | 13 | 32 | 21 | 13 |
| Andrew Clarke | 14 | 71 | 31 | 14 | 71 | 31 |
| Joel Collett | 13 | 25 | 22 | 31 | 31 | 26 |
| Wyatt Gavan | 13 | 5 | 4 | 29 | 5 | 4 |
| David Kammoun | 11 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 3 | 0 |
| Heleni Kammoun | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Lachlan Keft | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Harrison Knapton | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Adam Somboli | 11 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 1 |
| Joaquin Suter | 13 | 11 | 5 | 31 | 12 | 0 |
| Samuel Tuni | 12 | 4 | 0 | 30 | 4 | 0 |
| James Wilkinson | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Riley Williamson | 14 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 |

| Under 7's | 2005 | | | Club Total | | |
|---------------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | Matches | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Brendan Bottos | 12 | 5 | 7 | 30 | 20 | 15 |
| Zachary Brown | 12 | 4 | 2 | 46 | 9 | 4 |
| Mytchell Cassidy | 12 | 12 | 4 | 30 | 20 | 6 |
| Jake Powers | 12 | 8 | 11 | 53 | 21 | 18 |
| Edward Rawlings | 12 | 3 | 0 | 36 | 4 | 0 |
| Thomas Rice | 12 | 5 | 3 | 30 | 10 | 4 |
| Rhodri Morgan | 12 | 13 | 4 | 12 | 13 | 4 |
| Abe (Edarama Takiveikata) | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Lauren Dunn | 12 | 3 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 0 |
| Ethan Lindau | 12 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| James Mood | 12 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 0 |
| Marcus Tekerona | 12 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 0 |

| Under 8's | 2005 | | | Club Total | | |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | Matches | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Nicholas Bennett | 17* | 1 | 1 | 35 | 4 | 1 |
| Nicholas Bennett (KB) | 17 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 3 | 3 |
| Jonathan Bootle | 10 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 2 |
| James Finney | 15 | 2 | 3 | 15 | 2 | 3 |
| Jackson Ford | 14 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 2 |
| Zachery Galluzzo | 5 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Bradley McDermott | 14 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 1 | 0 |
| Matthew McDonald | 17 | 3 | 5 | 64 | 22 | 9 |
| Jared McLachlan | 17 | 3 | 3 | 64 | 24 | 9 |
| Joshua Pele | 16 | 12 | 6 | 16 | 12 | 6 |
| Jonathon Ryan | 17 | 14 | 6 | 50 | 53 | 10 |
| Karaitiana Sa'u | 17 | 6 | 5 | 59 | 18 | 7 |
| Dominic Shade | 17 | 1 | 4 | 17 | 1 | 4 |
| Alex Sherman | 17 | 5 | 5 | 49 | 34 | 14 |
| Gabriel Suter | 17 | 7 | 6 | 55 | 34 | 12 |

* includes matches played for Under 9's

Junior's Statistics

2005

| Under 9's | 2005 | | | Club Total | | |
|-----------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | Matches | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Jack Armstrong | 13 | 3 | 0 | 37 | 19 | 10 |
| Riley Becker | 11 | 2 | 0 | 22 | 5 | 1 |
| James Bell | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Jarryd Bradley | 12 | 13 | 37 | 65 | 67 | 58 |
| Liam Brown | 11 | 13 | 0 | 23 | 19 | 1 |
| Steven Brown | 10 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Cameron Ho | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Lachlan Ho | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| David Jeavons | 10 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 4 | 1 |
| Adam Kammoun | 1 | 4 | 0 | 13 | 17 | 14 |
| Evander Pele | 12 | 4 | 0 | 12 | 4 | 0 |
| Thomas Rawlings | 13 | 5 | 2 | 37 | 23 | 14 |
| Jacob Rosoqoso | 12 | 3 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 0 |
| Owen Silvertsen | 9 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 7 | 7 |
| Paki Taufa | 8 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 0 |
| Ben Williams | 10 | 6 | 0 | 22 | 17 | 0 |

| Under 10's | 2005 | | | Club Total | | |
|---------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | Matches | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Leon Aboushadie | 8 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 0 |
| James Brancourt | 16 | 0 | 0 | 57 | 5 | 1 |
| Blake Davis | 13 | 4 | 0 | 13 | 4 | 0 |
| Nathan Doherty | 19 | 4 | 2 | 73 | 43 | 10 |
| Timothy Dunn | 19 | 1 | 0 | 69 | 6 | 7 |
| Thomas Egan | 17 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 2 | 3 |
| Luke Garaty | 15 | 5 | 1 | 54 | 41 | 13 |
| Lachlan Gooch | 12 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| Patrick Gooch | 12 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 0 |
| Tamati Haimona | 28 | 21 | 4 | 58 | 80 | 24 |
| Thomas Hohepa | 20 | 4 | 0 | 33 | 10 | 0 |
| Peter Jeavons | 12 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 1 | 12 |
| Humze Kammoun | 16 | 15 | 0 | 32 | 27 | 0 |
| Kyle McLachlan | 13 | 2 | 0 | 71 | 16 | 5 |
| Patrick McSweeney | 15 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 1 | 0 |
| Jakov Mihaljevic | 14 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| Mitchell Moody | 14 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| Rhys Morgan | 7 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| Samuel Puckett | 18 | 13 | 0 | 48 | 55 | 0 |
| Hamiora Ruru | 15 | 2 | 0 | 39 | 4 | 0 |
| Faaope Junior Satiu | 13 | 11 | 0 | 13 | 11 | 0 |
| Josh Steinhauser | 15 | 4 | 8 | 15 | 4 | 8 |
| Nicholas Stevens | 18 | 6 | 12 | 32 | 9 | 16 |
| Oliver Takiviekata | 8 | 4 | 0 | 51 | 49 | 8 |
| Milan Volavola | 14 | 4 | 0 | 29 | 10 | 5 |
| Liam Whiteman | 16 | 1 | 0 | 55 | 6 | 1 |

Junior's Statistics

| Under 11's | 2005 | | | Club Total | | |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | Matches | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Jonathan Brown | 16 | 10 | 0 | 35 | 28 | 0 |
| Jake Collett | 16 | 0 | 0 | 71 | 1 | 0 |
| Stephen Crawford | 16 | 9 | 0 | 76 | 56 | 5 |
| Oliver Cupitt-Osborne | 11 | 4 | 0 | 20 | 16 | 0 |
| Charles Dwyer | 12 | 0 | 0 | 81 | 6 | 6 |
| Josh Ewan | 16 | 2 | 36 | 39 | 8 | 49 |
| Hayden Farrell | 16 | 0 | 0 | 70 | 26 | 10 |
| Tuti Haimona | 16 | 9 | 0 | 59 | 22 | 9 |
| Samuel Kefford | 16 | 0 | 0 | 124 | 73 | 15 |
| Leone Koro | 14 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| Harrison Kruger | 16 | 0 | 1 | 16 | 0 | 1 |
| Harry Lee | 8 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| Benjamin McDermott | 13 | 2 | 0 | 41 | 3 | 0 |
| Nathan Miles | 16 | 2 | 0 | 33 | 3 | 0 |
| Tim Nunn | 15 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 0 | 0 |
| Matthew Rawlings | 13 | 1 | 0 | 52 | 7 | 0 |
| Matagi Sa'u | 15 | 8 | 0 | 74 | 30 | 1 |
| Louis Sobb | 14 | 0 | 0 | 43 | 1 | 0 |
| Jacob Steed | 16 | 2 | 0 | 46 | 4 | 0 |
| Elijah Suter | 16 | 8 | 0 | 87 | 20 | 1 |
| Hugh Wigzell | 15 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 0 |
| Jayden Wilkinson | 16 | 0 | 0 | 111 | 4 | 19 |

| Under 12's | 2005 | | | Club Total | | |
|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | Matches | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Dominic Barrett | 13 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 0 | 0 |
| Brendan Carmichael | 13 | 0 | 0 | 91 | 2 | 0 |
| Andrew Challinor | 10 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 5 | 0 |
| Nick Cutmore | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Asdrubal Fernandez | 13 | 5 | 0 | 57 | 9 | 0 |
| Simon Galluzzo | 13 | 1 | 0 | 43 | 4 | 0 |
| Leon Griffen | 13 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 1 | 0 |
| Bradley Horn | 13 | 0 | 0 | 85 | 2 | 1 |
| Ibrahim Kammoun | 13 | 1 | 0 | 27 | 4 | 0 |
| James Palmer | 11 | 0 | 0 | 39 | 0 | 0 |
| Geoff Robson | 11 | 0 | 2 | 26 | 0 | 3 |
| Daniel Rose | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Jackson Saxby | 13 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 0 |
| Andrew Sharp | 12 | 2 | 0 | 53 | 8 | 0 |
| Dominic Simpson | 13 | 0 | 0 | 53 | 0 | 0 |
| Luke Thomas | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Adam Thompson | 13 | 0 | 0 | 74 | 8 | 2 |
| Igshaan Woods | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 |

Junior's Statistics

| Under 13's | 2005 | | | Club Total | | |
|-------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | Matches | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Kyle Bottomley | 19 | 6 | 0 | 46 | 8 | 0 |
| Rameka Brougham | 17 | 4 | 0 | 30 | 5 | 0 |
| Ryan Copper | 19 | 4 | 0 | 129 | 23 | 2 |
| Michael Crawford | 15 | 0 | 0 | 55 | 2 | 0 |
| Assem Ewais | 19 | 2 | 0 | 76 | 13 | 0 |
| Adam Garaty | 19 | 0 | 0 | 98 | 0 | 0 |
| Jarrold Gollins | 18 | 0 | 0 | 86 | 0 | 0 |
| Stephen Goydych | 18 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| Luke Grzesiczek | 10 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 |
| Nathaniel Hebbard | 16 | 2 | 0 | 69 | 7 | 0 |
| Wystan Hubbard | 19 | 13 | 1 | 45 | 13 | 1 |
| Dawson Jones | 18 | 2 | 0 | 48 | 6 | 0 |
| Zakaria Kammoun | 19 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| Jake Kefford | 12 | 4 | 0 | 139 | 32 | 3 |
| Adam Kepreotes | 16 | 3 | 12 | 43 | 9 | 35 |
| Tom Mackie | 17 | 2 | 3 | 43 | 3 | 4 |
| Taia Masters | 17 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| Rongomai Nukunuku | 18 | 6 | 0 | 25 | 6 | 0 |
| Bruce Satiu | 18 | 15 | 3 | 18 | 15 | 3 |
| Timothy Smart | 18 | 5 | 0 | 146 | 45 | 7 |
| Zepeloni Taufa | 18 | 1 | 0 | 18 | 1 | 0 |

| Under 14's | 2005 | | | Club Total | | |
|------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | Matches | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Luke Blayney | 12 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| Scott Booth | 15 | 0 | 0 | 45 | 7 | 8 |
| Nicholas Boskett | 10 | 1 | 0 | 103 | 6 | 3 |
| Nelson Dale | 12 | 6 | 0 | 40 | 29 | 0 |
| Kurt Gainsford | 14 | 1 | 0 | 77 | 6 | 0 |
| Marcus Heather | 15 | 4 | 13 | 57 | 8 | 51 |
| David Horsley | 14 | 4 | 0 | 116 | 22 | 0 |
| Jad Issi | 9 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 0 |
| Tai Kingi | 14 | 5 | 0 | 30 | 10 | 0 |
| Jack Lauricella | 14 | 2 | 0 | 142 | 17 | 21 |
| Aaron Malouf | 15 | 3 | 0 | 107 | 24 | 15 |
| Daniel Malouf | 15 | 2 | 0 | 106 | 22 | 43 |
| Kieren Meti | 13 | 0 | 0 | 43 | 0 | 0 |
| Mitchell Reece | 14 | 2 | 0 | 119 | 3 | 0 |
| Taylor Ringland | 15 | 12 | 0 | 59 | 47 | 0 |
| James Ritchie | 9 | 3 | 0 | 150 | 35 | 24 |
| Leo Senfatu | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Matthew Thom | 14 | 2 | 0 | 14 | 2 | 0 |
| William Tuima | 15 | 21 | 1 | 28 | 34 | 1 |
| Ben Volavola | 14 | 4 | 24 | 31 | 11 | 32 |
| Blake Wild | 14 | 7 | 0 | 14 | 7 | 0 |
| Peter Woollett | 12 | 6 | 0 | 136 | 18 | 1 |

Junior's Statistics

| Under 15's | Matches | 2005 | | Club Total | | |
|--------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Joe Agafili | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Mozan Bola | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Peter Burns | 15 | 3 | 0 | 57 | 13 | 0 |
| Nick Commin | 16 | 6 | 0 | 62 | 37 | 1 |
| Peter Francis | 17 | 0 | 0 | 160 | 50 | 10 |
| Ben Galluzzo | 17 | 0 | 0 | 61 | 0 | 0 |
| Claudius Kruger | 13 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 0 | 0 |
| Austen Lavelle | 14 | 0 | 0 | 105 | 2 | 4 |
| Nathan Morris | 16 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 |
| Henare Nukunuku | 17 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| Wiremu Nukunuku | 16 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 1 | 0 |
| Paul O'Connor | 12 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| Harley Perawiti | 13 | 3 | 0 | 29 | 3 | 0 |
| Oliver Plummer | 15 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Adam Powell | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Tim Quirk | 16 | 1 | 0 | 59 | 2 | 0 |
| Raymond Rez | 15 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 1 | 0 |
| Christopher Satiu | 13 | 4 | 0 | 13 | 4 | 0 |
| Mika Semi | 15 | 1 | 7 | 45 | 6 | 7 |
| Tyler Spitz | 12 | 4 | 0 | 93 | 86 | 79 |
| Soatame Taufa | 15 | 6 | 0 | 68 | 24 | 4 |
| Afusipa Taumoepeau | 1 | 24 | 0 | 146 | 164 | 34 |
| Sitivi Tugaga | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Evan Underwood | 16 | 13 | 0 | 31 | 31 | 3 |
| Charles Vicente | 16 | 7 | 0 | 23 | 8 | 0 |

| Under 16's | Matches | 2005 | | Club Total | | |
|---------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|
| | | Tries | Goals | Matches | Tries | Goals |
| Paul Anning | 13 | 2 | 0 | 42 | 4 | 0 |
| Vili Bola | 14 | 2 | 0 | 14 | 2 | 0 |
| Michael Caudre | 17 | 0 | 0 | 74 | 9 | 1 |
| Charlie Faingaa | 16 | 11 | 6 | 33 | 31 | 10 |
| Jude Gordon | 15 | 3 | 0 | 29 | 7 | 0 |
| Bryant Hall | 16 | 0 | 0 | 141 | 38 | 3 |
| Christopher Holland | 15 | 0 | 1 | 151 | 42 | 1 |
| Robert Horne | 14 | 6 | 0 | 153 | 137 | 17 |
| Daniel Kepreotes | 15 | 5 | 9 | 33 | 12 | 12 |
| Sam Latunipulu | 15 | 2 | 0 | 31 | 6 | 0 |
| Royden Marsh | 15 | 8 | 0 | 57 | 30 | 1 |
| Blake Martin | 15 | 12 | 2 | 15 | 12 | 2 |
| Rory O'Brien | 13 | 6 | 0 | 72 | 48 | 0 |
| Fred Pakutoa | 10 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 5 | 1 |
| Robert Sheahan | 14 | 5 | 24 | 188 | 150 | 214 |
| Luke Smart | 17 | 7 | 0 | 192 | 36 | 13 |
| David Streamer | 15 | 1 | 0 | 133 | 3 | 2 |
| Havea Taufa | 13 | 12 | 0 | 58 | 50 | 0 |
| John Tuima | 17 | 7 | 0 | 34 | 11 | 0 |
| Micah Watene | 11 | 5 | 0 | 47 | 14 | 0 |

Oatley Junior Rugby Club Honours

Southern Districts Under 10

Tim Dunn
Humze Kommoun
Sam Pucket
Luke Garaty
Tamati Haimona
Junior Satiu

Southern Districts Under 11

Tuti Haimona
Matagi Sau
Stephen Crawford
Sam Kefford
Jonathan Brown
Matthew Rawlings
Elijah Suter

Southern Districts Under 12

Ibrahim Kahmoun
Brendan Carmichael

Southern Districts Under 13

Ryan Copper
Assem Ewais
Nathanuel Hebbard
Wystan Hubbard
Bruce Satiu
Timothy Smart

Southern Districts Under 14

Nelson Dale
Marcus Heather
Aaron Malouf
Taylor Ringland
William Tu'ima
Ben Volavola

Southern Districts Under 15

Raymond Rez
Tyler Spitz
Afusipa Taumoepeau
Evan Underwood
Charles Vicente

Southern Zone Under 15

Nick Commin
Tyler Spitz
Evan Underwood
Charles Vicente

Southern Districts Under 16

Michael Caudre
Charlie Faingaa
Bryant Hall
Jude Gordon
Robert Horne
Sam Latunipulu
Royden Marsh
Blake Martin
Fred Pakutoa
Luke Smart
Havea Taufa
John Tuima
Micah Watene

Southern Zone Under 16

Jude Gordon
Bryant Hall
Sam Latunipulu
Royden Marsh
Blake Martin
Fred Pakutoa
Luke Smart
John Tuima
selected but declined to play:
Charlie Faingaa
Robert Horne
Havea Taufa
Micah Watene

NSW CHS Opens

Robert Horne
Robert and Micah Watene
both selected to tour to
England but declined

*Both the following teams will
compete at the National U16
Championships*

*To be held at St Ignatius College
Riverview Sept. 26th-30th*

NSW All Schools Under 16

Charlie Faingaa
Robert Horne
Luke Smart
Havea Taufa
Micah Watene

Sydney Under 16

Jude Gordon
Sam Latunipulu
Royden Marsh
Fred Pakutoa

NSW High Schools Sydney East Region Opens Rugby Team

*Played SWCHS Opens
Tournament in Newcastle May
31st - June 2nd*

Charlie Faingaa (ESHS)
Jude Gordon (ESHS)
Robert Horne (Georges River
College)
Sam Latunipulu (ESHS)
Royden Marsh (ESHS)
Luke Smart (ESHS)
Havea Taufa (ESHS)
John Tuima (ESHS)
Micah Watene (ESHS)

Oatley Rugby Club Awards



100 Matches for the Club

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| Austen Lavelle | (U15s) |
| Nicholas Boskett | (U14s) |
| Aaron Malouf | (U14s) |
| Daniel Malouf | (U14s) |
| Jayden Wilkinson | (U11s) |

Under 6's Team Awards

| | |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Outstanding Player | Andrew Clark |
| Most Improved Player | Austin Andrew |
| Coach's Award | Joel Collett |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | Riley Williamson |

Under 7's Team Awards

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Most Valuable Player | Thomas Mitchell |
| Best New Player | Rhodri Morgan |
| Most Improved Player | Zachary Brown |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | Lauren Dunn |

Under 8's Team Awards

| | |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Most Improved Player | Joshua Pele |
| Best in Defence and R&M | Karitiana Sua |
| Best Attacking Player | Jonathon Ryan |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | Gabriel Suter |

Under 9's Team Awards

| | |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Most Valuable Player | Liam Brown |
| Most Improved | Jacob Rosoqosoqo |
| Most Consistent | Thomas Rawlings |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | David Jeavons |

Under 10 Gold's Team Awards

| | |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Best Forward | Humze Kammoun |
| Best Back | Sam Puckett |
| Most Improved Player | Milan Volavola |
| Mazda Best & Fairest | Blake Davis |

Under 10 Green's Team Awards

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Best Forward | Thomas Hohepa |
| Best Back | Nathan Doherty |
| Coach's Award | Peter Jeavons |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | Kyle McLachlan |

Under 11's Team Awards

| | |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| Rookie of the Year | Harrison Kruger |
| Manager's Award | Nathan Miles |
| Most Improved Player | Tim Nunn |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | Oliver Cuppitt-Osborne |

Under 12's Team Awards

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Player of the Year | Asdrubal Fernandez |
| Most Improved | Andrew Sharp |
| Most Consistent | Nick Cutmore |
| Mazda Best & Fairest | Dominic Barrett |

Under 13's Team Awards

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Most Valuable Player | Wystan Hubbard |
| Best Back | Bruce Satiu |
| Best Forward | Kyle Bottomley |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | Tom Mackie |

Under 14's Team Awards

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Parents' Pick | Marcus Heather |
| Best Forward | Tai Kingi |
| Best Back | Kurt Gainsford |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | Taylor Ringland |

Under 15's Team Awards

| | |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Most Consistent Award | Tim Quirk |
| Most Persistent Player | Ben Galluzzo |
| Impact Award | Chris Satiu |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | Nathan Morris |

Under 16's Team Awards

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| Most Improved | Michael Caudre |
| Coach's Award | Chris Holland |
| Most Valuable Player | Havea Taufua |
| Mazda Best and Fairest | Paul Anning |

Junior Player of the Year

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| 1987 | Chris Wing |
| 1988 | Martin Allen Ryan Coates |
| 1989 | Matthew Battishall |
| 1990 | Aaron Curry |
| 1991 | Nathan Kjoller |
| 1992 | Jonathon Moody |
| 1993 | James Horne (U7) |
| 1994 | Andrew Norris (U9) |
| 1995 | Pauliasi Taumoepeau (U9) |

In 1996 Walla and Mini Player Awards introduced

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| 1996 | Jonathan Sheahan (U10) |
| 1997 | Matthew Macris (U12) |
| 1998 | Atelea Veā (U12) |
| 1999 | Ben Rowsell (U14) |
| 2000 | James Terrey (U14) |
| 2001 | Saone Polutele (U16) |
| 2002 | Robert Horne (U13) |
| 2003 | Afusipa Taumoepeau |
| 2004 | Royden Marsh |
| 2005 | Robert Horne |

Junior Clubman of the Year

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| 1995 | Alex Leighton |
| 1996 | James Lazarus |
| 1997 | Andrew Green |
| 1998 | Mitchell Termaipi |
| 1999 | Mitchell Owen |
| 2000 | Matthew Egan |
| 2001 | John Francis |
| 2002 | Ian Swane |
| 2003 | Chris Bernays |
| 2004 | Todd Armstrong |
| 2005 | Tyler Spitz |

Walla Player of the Year

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| 1996 | Andrew Moran |
| 1997 | Rohan Graham |
| 1998 | Steven Kalagurjevic |
| 1999 | Christopher McArthur |
| 2000 | Emanuel Comino |
| 2001 | Sam Kefford |
| 2002 | Nathan Doherty |
| 2003 | Jarryd Bradley |
| 2004 | Jonathon Ryan |
| 2005 | Jake Powers |

Mini Player of the Year

| | |
|------|------------------|
| 1996 | Ryan Bowring |
| 1997 | Grant Batty |
| 1998 | Robert Horne |
| 1999 | Tyler Spitz |
| 2000 | Rohan Graham |
| 2001 | Timothy Smart |
| 2002 | Scott Sorensen |
| 2003 | Stephen Crawford |
| 2004 | Luke Garaty |
| 2005 | Jarryd Bradley |

Junior Goalkicker of the Year

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| 1996 | Dean Owsnett |
| 1997 | Ben Rowsell |
| 1998 | James Horne |
| 1999 | Daniel Malouf |
| 2000 | Robert Sheahan |
| 2001 | Robert Sheahan |
| 2002 | Robert Sheahan |
| 2003 | Robert Sheahan |
| 2004 | Robert Sheahan |
| 2005 | Josh Ewan |

Junior Supporter of the Year

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| 1997 | Helen Green |
| 1998 | John Francis |
| 1999 | Ross Bernays |
| 2000 | Kerry Smart |
| 2001 | David Clulow |
| 2002 | Chris Howard Valentin Howard |
| 2003 | David and Kerry Lavelle |
| 2004 | Annabelle Sheahan Juliette Sheahan Tim Smart |
| 2005 | Annabelle Sheahan Juliette Sheahan Tim Smart |



MAZDA

The year started with a group of five year olds coming together to learn how to play rugby and ended with friendships forged within a team of determined young men who showed sportsmanship, courage and talent.

It was a great winter for rugby; the weather was good the grounds looked great. The season was well organized mainly due to the efforts of our manager Anne Collett and her trusty assistant Phil. Thanks to Ross Williamson who refereed a lot of our games and also to all the parents who helped out with training and setting up the ground.

Ours boys were a pleasure to coach, not only because of the effort they put in, but also for their good behaviour and ability to listen and follow instructions. In the player summaries I tend to use the word "determination" a lot to describe the boys. Whilst it may sound repetitive, it is an appropriate word to describe their approach to the game.

I will never forget the courage and determination the boys showed in those final two games of the gala day when they were physically exhausted and yet pushed themselves to win the semi and then go down to Sylvania in the final. It doesn't matter that they are very young sportsman; their efforts made the club and the parents very proud of them. Their actions showed that they have the determination to be successful in many facets of life, not just sport.

We had many special moments this year, and as testament to our team, one of these achievements was Andrew setting a new club record, 71 tries in a season (previously 55 set by James Horne in 1995) this achievement would not be possible in a weak side and hence is a credit to the entire team.

Personally I really enjoyed the year. I met some exceptional young men, lifted my level of fitness and learned to tie shoe laces in record time. Thanks boys, I hope you enjoyed playing as much as I enjoyed coaching you and here's hoping you can stick together as a team in the coming years.



Austin Andrew

Games: 14 Tries: 21 Goals: 13
Best memories: Austin's great try. We all know Austin is a determined elusive runner, then in the last round Austin scored one of the tries of the year. He received the ball about 10 metres out from our try line. He initially started to run around the outside of the defence then he stepped back inside and the chase was on. The next 30 metres had Austin displaying all his skills, it was an amazing display for an U6's player, as he stepped, stood up and completely bamboozled the opposition to score. Austin played in all our games this year.

Austin is a very talented player in both attack and defence and played a very important part in a team performing well. Thanks for your good manners and participation throughout the year Austin.

Andrew Clark

Games: 14 Tries: 71 Goals: 31
Best memories: Andrews desire to win. Andrew seemed to really enjoy his first year of rugby. Due to his pace, determination and support from the team he scored many tries. My clearest memory of Andrew this year was his desire to win. Many times if there was a chance he may have been tagged he dived full length straight for the try line to ensure we scored. Also when our players ran back from taking a conversion Andrew was always asking if the kick was successful and what the score was. Andrew played in all our games this year.

Andrew is a determined hard running attacking player who accomplished a great achievement this year by setting the club record of 71 tries in one season. Thanks for giving me many exciting moments throughout the year Andrew.

Joel Collett

Games: 13 Tries: 25 Goals: 22
Best memories: Joel's best game of the year, semi-final against South Hurstville. Joel played with skill and determination all year however he saved something special for our semi final of the Gala day. It is unusual to see a player of this age push themselves so much. On the field I could see all the boys were tired, Joel didn't slow down once. He tagged everything that moved and pushed himself to run in attack. It was a very courageous effort.

From the first training session it was clear that Joel was a determined and skillful player. Joel also has natural leadership skills and led the team well at different times throughout the year. I hope you enjoyed your rugby Joel and I look forward to seeing you develop as a player.

Wyatt Gavan

Games: 13 Tries: 5 Goals: 4
Best memories: Wyatt's try in the corner in round five, Wyatt scored a double in round 5. In his second try he made a fast run for the corner and dived over. As he dived the opposition closed in and unfortunately Wyatt copped an accidental knee to the head. He was shaken but brave enough to hang onto the ball and score a legitimate try.

Wyatt is a fast runner who when he gets involved is one of the teams most influential players. As Wyatt forms closer friendships in the team and relaxes in the environment I am sure he will develop into an even better player. Thanks for being a part of the team this year Wyatt.

David Kammoun

Games: 11 Tries: 3 Goals: -
Best memories: David's first try in round two of the competition. David is a very happy, quiet boy who initially was quite shy. He received the ball for the first time with about 5 minutes to go in the first half and ran around 20 metres to score adjacent to the posts. We were all very excited and David

deservedly received the man of the match award. David has an enthusiastic and happy nature. He played up an age group this year and I have no doubt that next year he will be one of the stand-out players of the U6's. Good luck David we all wish you well.

Lachlan Keft

Games: 13 Tries: - Goals: -
Best memories: Lachlan's happy nature. I can honestly say that there was not one time this year that I did not see a smile on Lachlan's face. Whether at training or at the games Lachlan seemed to be enjoying himself. Lachlan played up an age group this year and I am sure he will progress greatly in the 6's again next year. We wish you all the best Lachlan.

Harrison Knapton

Games: 13 Tries: - Goals: -
Best memories: Harrison's "almost" try. Harrison started the year as a shy new player to the side. He took him some weeks to feel relaxed then he started running the ball up from the tap restarts. In round 3 (when his dad wasn't there) Harrison received the ball about 15 metres out from the opposition try line, all of a sudden a gap opened up and Harrison set off. He came within 1 metre of the line then one of the fastest defenders in the opposition just caught him. It was a great run and signaled the start of Harrison becoming more involved in the games. Needless to say he earned the man of the match award this game.

Harrison is valued part of this team and we look forward to seeing him back next year. Harrison holds the record for his shoe laces coming undone the most in a season (8). Thanks Harrison it was a pleasure having you in the team.

Adam Somboli

Games: 11 Tries: 1 Goals: 1
Best memories: Adam's first goal. Adam had tried continually to kick goals then one Saturday in round 3 he lined up for a goal kick and "bang"



Under 6's Report...cont

straight over the black dot! This seemed to really encourage him and if I remember correctly his dad was quite excited, buying him a new ball to practice with which he then bought to most training sessions.

Adam, I am sure will develop into a good rugby player. He is tall and fast and when it all "clicks" he will be a formidable opponent to any team. Adam came second as the player who's shoe laces came undone. (6)

Jocquain Suter

Games: 13 Tries: 11 Goals: 5
Best memories: Jocquain's solid defence. Jocquain has a great ability to catch and tag players. This was very evident in our semi-final game when although he was tired he continually moved forward and stopped the opposition progressing. Even if the attacking player has a start on him Jocquain has displayed the ability to pick the correct angle to run and determinedly chase them down. I have no doubt that if Jocquain enjoys his rugby and continues playing, he will develop in to a very good defensive back rower. Jocquain is a determined all-round player who runs the ball tactfully in attack and defends with tenacity.

Thanks too for having such good manners throughout the year, we hope to see you back.

Samuel Tuni

Games: 12 Tries: 4 Goals: -
Best memories: Sam's strong defence. Sam appears to be a player who is a natural defender. This talent started showing itself around round 4 when he received the man of the match award. The opposition was continually spreading the ball from the left hand side of the field to the right and most of our defence was running from side to side with them. All of a sudden Sam started running straight up out of the line and tagging the players before they made any progress. This was then a characteristic Sam continued throughout the year. Sam improved leaps and bounds this year. He is a strong well mannered boy and I am confident he will develop into an "enforcer" in years to come. Thanks for all you efforts Sam

Riley Williamson

Games: 14 Tries: - Goals: -
Best memories: Riley's stoic defence. Riley always seemed to enjoy his rugby. When we got to the middle of the round games, Riley developed his defensive skills. He continually chased determinedly and made tags but all of a sudden he was getting himself into great positions to make head on tackles. Giving away a weight advantage, he lacked nothing in courage. At least 3 times his courage saw him running directly into much larger players. He always made the tag, gave the sore spot a rub and got straight back into the game. Riley played in all our games this year. Riley was the gentleman of the team (not gentleman). He was always obedient, polite and followed instructions to a tee.

You are a pleasure to have in the team Riley. I am looking forward to seeing your rugby career develop.

Thank you Boys
Danny

Under 7's Report

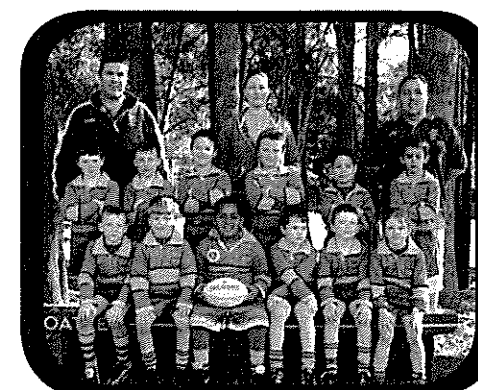
This year the boys played a running and support style of attacking game, which suited our strengths and employed an umbrella style of defensive pattern which had the desired effect of forcing the opposition to run through our team rather than around us as most teams do in Walla rugby. Late in the year, this brought a comment from a coach of a team, who had just beaten us that we would be the team to beat in 2006 due to the way we already play the game.

This is not surprising since we have 2 players running around for their 4th season with Oatley Rugby. Jake Powers was an integral part of our team. He was one of our wingers in defence, being able to stay outside the opposition and force them back in, come in and tag them or force them over the side. Knowing where he had to be, and making sure he was there as soon as possible. Zachary Brown improved enormously

this year, scoring several tries himself, but more importantly, combining with other members of the team to make holes in the middle of the ruck by incorporating straight running and quick ball recycles. This produced some of the best play I've seen in Walla in over 4 years.

The other players progressing up from the Under 6's all acquitted themselves with distinction during the year. Brendon Bottos played on the other wing and Made the opposition run inside where our other players could tag them, as well as always making himself available to carry the ball forward. Mytchell Cassidy really proved himself a player to be feared by the opposition in future years. He is fast and will run all day, combined with his size and strength, will make him a match winner. Edward Rawlings improved all year and on several occasions caught us all by surprise with his allusive running. He was always able to support the ball after long breaks and responded well to going around the ruck to continue the play in the same direction and stretch the opposition. Thomas Rice literally threw himself into the games, making some great diving tags, in cover defence, to save certain tries. He combined well with Zach and, as a result, scored the best try of the season.

The Under 7's also picked up 6 new players who all played to the limits of their abilities throughout the year. Lauren Dunn soon proved that being the only girl on the team was no disadvantage. She was able to run down players that the boys couldn't catch and be able to support the ball after long breaks had been made. Ethan Lindau improved his game all year and I am expecting to see him a lot more involved in the following years. James Mood proved to be an excellent acquisition and involved himself in the breakdown by making himself a nuisance for the opposition





and forcing them to throw longer clearing passes. Rhodri Morgan started the year with a bang by stepping through the opposition to score, and managed to keep it up all season. He was also diligent in his defensive duties and made many good tags every game. Marcus Tekerona played with a style all his own, making himself a nightmare for the opposition attack close to the ruck. Finally, Abe, (Edarama Takiveikata), combined with Zach on several occasions during the season to make space and score tries straight up the middle of the ruck.

The Mums and Dads of the boys need to be congratulated for their efforts in making sure the boys get to training and to the games as well as being good role models for them all. The year was made much easier when I only have to think about one thing at a time, so for that a special thank you needs to be made to Katie Cassidy, our manager, and Vince Bottos, who helped me out in innumerable ways throughout the year.

Overall, the boys did as well as I hoped and more than I expected, our aim has never been to win at Walla but to prepare ourselves for the Under 8's next year. So, in that regard I consider the season a success and can't wait till next season to see the fruits of our labour.

Arthur Brown



The Under 8's season by the scorer's calculation showed the boys won 11 games and lost 6 and scored 351 points and conceded 267 points.

Unfortunately 2 of the games the boys lost were on gala days, so this meant we were out of contention for the final. However in the "plate game" the Oatley boys played strongly against Burraneer to finish the season on a high.

The improvement the boys showed during the season was remarkable as they quickly adapted from walla tags to tackling. The boys improvement was only matched by their enthusiasm.

The Under 8's Player Profile

Nicholas Bennett. Nicholas was the team half back and increased in confidence as he learnt his craft. One of the smallest boys on the field, but that not does stop him getting in and making tackles.

Nicholas Bennett 2. Nicholas spent the first half of the season helping the U9s out before returning to the 8s where he played most of his games in the backs. A good runner of the ball who displays plenty of enthusiasm and scored his first rugby try this season.

Matthew McDonald. It is a pity the season ended for Matthew, he was getting better as it went on. His last couple of games were "crackers".

Jared McLachlan. Jared is one of the most consistent players in the team, a solid defender and a good player who looks to pass to his support players.



Jonathon Ryan. Jonathon is a very good player who after a slow start to the season was ferocious in attack and particularly defence. Jonathon shows great ability for the future.

Alex Sherman. A good attacking player who capped off a good season with a try on gala day. Alex was the only boy in the team to score 4 tries in one match.

Gabriel Suter. Gabriel is easily one of the best players in the side. Gabriel is in everything – he is without doubt one of the best "ruckers and makers" in the team; he always seems to emerge with the ball.

Bradley McDermott. Bradley is one of the smallest in the team, but is prepared to get in and have a go. Consistently improved all season, particularly towards the end of the season as his confidence increased and he became more involved.

Karitiana Sau. Karitiana is the best forward in the side – his season is typified by his barn storming runs up the field with opposition players hanging off. Karitiana is a very good tackler and excels in the breakdown to recover the ball.

Joshua Pele. Joshua had a great first season and was a prolific try scorer. Joshua has very good all round abilities in defence and attack and is a valuable member of the team.

Jonathon Bootle. Unfortunately Jonathon could not play all games as he had other commitments during the season, but displays plenty of enthusiasm and ability – is a good around player.

Zachery Galluzzo. Zac also could not play all games because of other commitments during the season, but shows loads of ability and determination on the field in all areas of the game, attack and defence.

Under 8's Report...cont

Dominic Shade. A convert from the round ball game, Dominic improved markedly all season as one of the teams forwards. Dominic made some decisive runs and tackles that resulted in many scoring opportunities. Dominic also scored his first try in rugby.

James Finney. Another convert, James improved as he became more confident getting more involved in the game. James provided plenty of support to the team and was always there at the breakdown, ready to do the hard yards.

Jackson Ford. Jackson was new to rugby at the beginning of the season and picked up the game quite well. He was a good consistent player who was not frightened to get involved.

Overall the boys all contributed equally to a successful season both at training and on game days.

Thank you to the parents who supported the boys so positively during the season and for the commitment shown in bringing the boys to training and assisting with the "routine" of the team.

I would also like to thank Keith Bennett, Vince Ryan and Jim Sherman for the support and education they provided the boys – the season would not nearly be as enjoyable without their contribution.

LASTLY THANKS TO THE MIGHTY UNDER 8's
GREAT SEASON

Glenn McLachlan



Under 9's Report

Jack Armstrong – Big improvement in attacking effort was rewarded with 2 tries in the return match against our early nemesis Sylvania in round 11. Always quick to the breakdown and could tackle anyone who dared to try and run through him.

Riley Becker – "RB" has size and speed in his game this year and proved more than a handful when he hit the line at speed, often offloading in traffic to his smaller supports to set up multi phase attacking raids. Defensively strong in the rucks & mauls, giving a good shove when needed.

Nick Bennett – One of our mighty Under 8's who played most of the season up in the 9's. Never stopped trying and bounced back up on many occasions after taking a hard knock. Usually in the thick of the action ripping like a veteran.

Jarryd Bradley – Tenacious in attack and defence, equal top try-scorer and kicked 37 goals. Loved smashing the big Blakehurst & Burra backs over the sideline and darting around or through them when attacking. Never gave up & pulled off many try-savers on the line.

Liam Brown – Our go forward man who always hit the line hard and at speed and was almost unstoppable when wound up. Equal top try-scorer with 13. In defence used his muscle to stifle many of the oppositions attacking stars and rarely gave up possession in a maul.

Steven Brown – The gentle art of cleaning out was exhibited towards the latter stages of the season and none were better than Steven at this vital aspect of forward play. Also ran the ball up straight looking for a draw and pass to get us on the attack.

David Jeavons – Another eligible for U8 who played the entire season up. Hard to spot in many games as he was invariably our first to the breakdown or had made the tackle and was on the bottom of the ruck. Fearless in defence and showed a good step in attack.

Evander Pele – Close to our best in defence, rarely missing a tackle with his copybook style around the legs. In attack he used good evasive skills and a burst of speed to break through for many good gains and was a fine exponent of the layback.

Tom Rawlings – Mr Perpetual Motion in attack and defence. A big sidestep off both feet saw the opposition grasping at thin air quite a few times and clever passing set up many tries for his supports. Led by example when hitting the rucks & mauls & also kicked 2 goals.

Jacob Rosogoso – Front on defence so good that he even had the opposing parents comment, coupled with an attacking flair reminiscent of a certain Qld based NRL fullback, saw Jacob develop into one of our best all rounders.

Owen Sivertsen – As one of our smallest U8 super subs, he could be excused if he shied away from some of the heavy defence needed in the higher grade, but not here as he always put the body on the line, particularly 1 game when the big, blonde Burra centre tried to steamroll him and he stood his ground and brought him down.

Paki Taufa – First year at rugby saw Paki display all the skills for a good future in the game. His good support play was rewarded with our only try against the top Burra side. His solid defence and the ability to pick the gap in attack at speed were highlights. Never stopped smiling.

Ben Williams – Veteran of the team who is also eligible for U8's, Ben gave great service to the outside backs as our halfback and used his blistering speed to great effect when given the slightest gap for many length of the field runs. Defensively gave more than he got as few could outrun him.

Under 9's Report ...cont



The Oatley under 9's season was marked by the improvement shown by the players as the season progressed, with all the boys developing their skills in the various facets of attack or defence. This year also saw them start to play more as a team and also talk amongst themselves, giving encouragement to each other or trying things out in attack.

Highlights were turning the results around such as against:

- Rockdale, from a 43-7 loss in round 3 to a 21-5 win in round 12 (one half of a 3 way)
- Sylvania, from a 72-17 loss in round 7 to a 33-12 win in round 11 (one half of a 3 way)

We also improved the scoreline against the stronger, bigger teams such as against:

- Burra Blue, from a 55-5 loss in round 8 to a last gasp 19-14 loss in round 10
- Canterbury, from a 29-7 loss in round 4 to a 12-7 loss in round 5.

Thanks to Brendan for coaching and to all the parents for the support shown during the year, enjoy the off-season.

Mick Bradley

P.S.

Please keep a lookout for any eligible boys we could convert from the other codes as next year we go to 12 a side and our playing roster could use 3 or 4 additions.



MAZDA

Under 10 Green's Report



This year was a real learning curve for the boys who played their first year of real rugby with competitive scrums and line-outs.

The majority of the boys were relatively inexperienced but all of the boys tried very hard right throughout the year. The team came up against a lot of strong teams but on most occasions remained very competitive with all the teams they played for long parts of the game. Unfortunately concentration lapses at vital part of games cost the boys dearly and for this reason they ended the season with only one victory under their belts. That victory was one of the season highlights with the boys winning their game on their home ground at Evatt. Another highlight of the year was their last game under lights at Wills oval against Canterbury where the boys went ever so close to beating a very strong side who made the semi-finals.

Whilst we had a number of players playing for us this year the regular players for the team were as follows:

Harmi R – Blockbusting front rower who took on the defence with his powerful runs.

Peter J – Tireless worker at the breakdown and in defence and one of our most consistent performers

Patrick McS – Small in stature for a front rower, but wholehearted in his efforts all over the park – a real trier.

Thomas H – Our most damaging forward in attack who was probably our leading try scorer for the year.

Thomas E – Formed a good combination with the other Thomas and was a solid contributor in all facets of the game.

Kyle McL – Played above his weight and was outstanding in attack and defence. The boys could all learn from Kyle's efforts in defence

Nathan D – Our captain this year who led the team very well. Brilliant in cover defence and was strong in attack.

Mitchell M – Consistent performer in the backs who improved steadily throughout the year.

Jakov M – New player with the club who showed the benefits of game time throughout the year, making some critical tackles and some fine runs.

Patrick G – Another new player to the team who improved considerably though the year. Will benefit from the experience and has the makings of an excellent player.

Lachlan G – Like his twin brother Patrick, Lachlan although new the game gave his all in every appearance. Blessed with great speed. This will be a huge asset to any team in future years.

Oliver T – Was hampered by a late start to the season through injury, but was back to his damaging best towards the end. Will be a handful next year for the opposition!

All the boys tried very hard during the year and seemed to enjoy their games as well as each other's company. That is the real measure of success and I am sure all the boys will be back next year as under 11's when they go to the true 15 a side game. A big thank you to all the boys from the GOLD side who helped us out on a regular basis and added real firepower to our team. Our thanks must go to their coach Robbie Cameron for his patience and dedication to the cause. I am sure all the boys appreciated his help and the time he put in. Thanks to all the parents for the unwavering support. Thanks also to the club for providing the boys a game and for all the volunteers who contribute to the club. Most of all our thanks go to the boys for providing their parents with lots of enjoyment.

At the time of writing this report our other under 10's side (with the support of the Green team) have made the grand final. I hope that at the time of reading that they are recognised as the under 10's premiers.

See you all next season.

Garry McSweeney – Under 10's Green Manager.

Under 10 Gold's Report

Despite going down in our Grand Final, the Under 10 Golds had a great year. They were only beaten twice all year – both times by Burraneer.

We, unfortunately, left our best form in the major semi final when we did defeat Burraneer convincingly. In any case the boys took the defeat in the grand final well. As they say the best team won on the day. Again thanks to Robbie Cameron who continues to help coach both sides even though he has no boys playing. Also thanks to the many parents who helped on game day setting up fields, running water etc. Especially Peter Garaty, Alan Brancourt, Dan Steinhauser and Clive Puckett.

Obviously there were players playing for both sides but the following were the bulk of the golds.

James Brancourt - A big improver this year. He became a runner of the ball and was always involved in the tight stuff.

Tim Dunn - Tim was one of the best close in defenders in the team rarely missing a tackle and has now become a strong ball runner.

Luke Garaty - Luke is one of the best outside centres in our division and is always dangerous in attack.

Tamati Haimona - Tamati remains probably one of our best all-round players. He is the team captain who commands respect from his team mates and opponents alike.

Humze Kammoun - Humze was week in, week out the most outstanding player in his position. His powerful runs and defence always had the opposition intimidated.

Sam Puckett - Another boy who must also be close to being one of the best all round players for his age.

Nicholas Stevens - Nicholas is one of our best attacking players with outstanding running skills.

Liam Whiteman - Improved with every game and was one of our best players in the grand final.

Blake Davis - This was Blake's first season. His speed in attack and flawless defence made him one of our best backs.

Rhys Morgan - After injury spoilt the start of the season our "Welsh import" established himself as a quality first five.

Junior Satiu - Junior's size and running strength intimidated every opposition team we faced. Opposition managers would always ask before a game "Is Junior playing?"

Josh Steinhauser - Josh's first year with the club was fabulous. A strong running forward always willing to work hard in the tight.

Milan Volavola - Was one of the most improved players this year. His work rate was fantastic.

Leon Aboushadie - Didn't start until half way through the year but quickly developed into a great tackler.

Many thanks must go to the players from the Greens who helped out with numbers when required. Next year promises to be even better when we will go the 15 man game. We should only have one side to manage which promises a much more smooth operation and, we hope, an even more successful year.

See you all in 2006,

Rod Dunn and Tim Whiteman



Under 11's Report

A great year for the U11's saw all the boys develop as individuals, rugby players and team mates.

Early on the boys were unstoppable being undefeated for the first 7 rounds. Following a couple of defeats to Eastgardens and Canterbury we finished third and ended up one game short of the Grand final.

While the 10 games the U11's won revealed the skill and enthusiasm of all the boys the two losses showed the potential of this team. Let's put this in perspective, Eastgardens in particular brought back childhood memories of watching "Land of the Giants". If it's true that steroids in chicken is leading to faster growth in children, then at least four of these Eastgardens' kids must have a ten piece bucket for breakfast. Despite this, when we met the first time the Oatley U11's were leading at halftime. Same with Canterbury, last years premiers, a close game that didn't go our way. Both games showed that despite a physical size advantage to the other team, the Oatley 11's "asked them plenty of questions".

Now that the clichés have started lets have a look at the team.

Backs

The backs really showed how they can tear defence apart this year. Sam is our cover tackling, chiming in fullback who doesn't give up. He has plenty of speed and positional nous. Hayden is quick and really took 'em on in attack this year. Good year, well played. Josh is a tough running and tackling centre. Josh could kick goals at Nagle from Evatt and slot it over the tittle (note: tittle is the small black dot above the letter i).

Jonathan turns the light switch off and is in bed before it's dark he's that quick - with loads of courage. Jacob played winger/half and added whole new dimensions to his game running hard and always being there to support saw him grab a couple of tries this year.

Stephen is the toughest fly half in the comp, tackles kids three times his size and they come off second best. Tutti as half back is always on ball. He brings to the team more than just his excellent skills - he brings a spirit. Oliver showed exceptional courage and a willingness to play despite injury. He'll score more tries next year than most other teams put together.

Forwards

Matagi at No. 8 showed how physical strength, intelligent, skillful play and determination is a lethal combination. He locks the forwards in more ways than one. Nathan is a fast, mobile forward who is always taking the opposition on. Nathan makes the opposition work for everything. Charles tackles and runs hard and has the full set of skills. An opposition fly half doesn't get room to move when he's flanker. No one got over the top of Charles.

Matt's versatility saw him play sometimes in the backs. In the forwards he showed everyone how to tackle, clear out and set up good ball. Not many better in this comp. Ben has now had a second year of Rugby and is showing how good he is and gunna be. He's got real rugby thinking going and will go from strength to strength.

Jake is one of the strongest running and driving forwards we've got. Never, ever went backwards. Harrison's first year at Rugby was enough to show he is a natural. His skill development over the year was outstanding. Hugh really put it to 'em this year. The biggest of our guys his presence was felt in the rucks and mauls. Onya Hugh.

Jayden hooked more than Rex Hunt. Took on everything asked of him and then some. Louis stood up to everything and gave it right back. Tough as nails. Tim sometimes hooked, sometimes played second

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row but always played with the determination and heart that sees him as a key to the team's success. Leone goes and goes and goes. A strong terrier in the mauls often popping right out the other side.

Harry is the fastest forward who never slows down. Elijah showed everyone how thinking and aggressive play results in try after try. He is a leader. Matt and Ben coached the boys in a way that gave them instruction with fun. It is so obvious that the boys have a real connection with their coaches and the myriad of helpers they were able to bring to the team.

Some special thanks go to Thomas – I don't think there's a better commentator on the game and his reports gave everyone a sense of what was happening. There is something special in the way he writes the reports every week.

Phil, who is a "touchie" with flair – all parents give you thanks we all know it's not so easy to play a role when your son's playing.

Lara who organized so much, so well, thank you.

Richard, Kerry and John – tough job well done and really appreciated.

To all the parents that provided oranges, support and good cheer we'll see you all again next year.

.....and to the boys who all played with enthusiasm and heart – thank you from every parent, grandparent and friend who watched a team of young men grow in many ways. Can't wait 'til next year.

Gary



Under 12's Report

Well it was long hard season for all the boys though they did finish it in fine style with a sensational win. With the loss of 9 players from last years team and the acquisition of 5 new boys who have never really played rugby before, it was pleasing to see that the attitude and spirit of each boy remained positive even through the tough times.

With the loss of the 9 players from last year, it was significantly noticeable to see that some players come out of their "Comfort Zones" and take on more responsibilities. For Example, players such as Dominic Barret, Astrubal Fernandez and Jackson Saxby on numerous occasions tackle bigger opponents than themselves where once before they would shy away.

Others to be commended for their actions this year are the likes of Simon Galluzo, Andrew Challinor, Dominic Simpson, James Palmer, Bradley Horn, Andrew Sharp and Adam Thompson (Captain) never at any stage gave up trying. Basically, when the pressure was on each one of these boys responded with absolute guts and determination and nor did they circum either. One player in particular who must get a special mention because of commitment, determination, reliability and for generally putting his body on the line each time he played is Geoff Robson. What a champion.

As for the new players such as Luke Thomas, Leon Griffen, Daniel Rose, Nick Cutmore and Igshaan Woods we could not have asked for a better bunch of new comers. Though they had never played the game before, they certainly showed no fear and not once did they take a step backwards. By the end of the season they certainly showed the maturity of a well seasoned player.

A major highlight for two of the team members, Brendan Carmichael and Ibrahim Kahmoun, was their inclusion into the Southern Zone Representative side. Watching both these boys train 4 times and play twice a week pushed the boys to their physical and metal limits. What was most pleasing hear though, were comments from other village coaches on how the 2 boys conducted themselves and contributed towards the representative side.

Richard



OATLEY UNDER 13's PLAYER PROFILE FOR 2005.

Kyle Bottomley

Our expectation of Kyle was to have a boom season and he didn't let us down. A real improvement in both his running and defensive game saw him take advantage of his height and strength. Always in the thick of things Kyle has developed well technically and is always giving it his best.

Rameka Brougham

Rameka has settled in well to the half back role and can always be relied upon for a consistent and well thought out game. He is starting to read the game and is combining well to set up our backline with astute passing and running. In defence, there aren't many who can break his solid tackling.

Ryan Copper

One of the veterans of the team keeps getting better every year. One of our most consistent players, his tenacity in rucks and mauls and superior defence makes him a real asset to the team. Always on the front foot, rarely missing training and more rarely a game, he is one of the best forwards in the team for sheer attitude and effort.

Michael Crawford

Pound for pound one of the better all round players in the team. This year wasn't kind to Michael with illness and injury preventing him starting in as many games as he would have liked. Always the trier at either fullback or wing, he puts in a solid performance week after week and can be relied upon for a consistent effort.

Assem Ewais

Our hooker extraordinaire has put in another very reliable and solid year. Improving every game his tenacity and passion for the game is to be commended. Strong defence and equally strong running around the ruck and maul can be relied on week after week. Very determined and always giving it his best shot.

Adam Garaty

Part of the front rowers union, Adam achieved great results every game. Consistently improving in every facet of his game from defence to great play around the rucks and mauls we can always rely on a solid display week in, week out. Always trying and looking at improving his game will ensure another big year for Adam in 2006.

Jarrold Gollins

One of our forwards who improved with every game. Jarrold can always be relied on for a hard and consistent effort in every part of his game – punishing defence, hard work around the rucks and mauls. A confident and strong player who can be relied on to give his best at every game.

Stephen Goydych

Stephen's second year with the team has seen him learn more and contribute to the team more. A confident winger, he had a lot of opportunities this year and made the most of all them. A strong runner and capable defender, he is always keen to develop and give his best at training and at every game.



Luke Grezsicek

One of the new members of our team and our quietest achiever. Luke's first year in Rugby has seen him get better with every training session and at every game. More game time through better performances has seen him improve in his general play week after week. Commitment and time will ensure Luke develops into a very capable player.

Nathanual Hebbard

Nathanual has cemented his place in the team with rock solid performances in attack and defence. Every week we can rely on this guy to deliver the goods – punishing defence, tenacious running, high work rate and support plays are his trademarks. Never out of the action, he still leads by example and is a great team player.

Wystan Hubbard

Every part of Wystan's games improves every game he plays. Our captain fly half is inspirational – strong defence, smart attack and he managed to get our backline working to a tee this year. Throw into his portfolio an unmatched kicking game and his ability to read the game always improving we can always rely on our Captain to deliver the goods.

Zak Kammoun

The only player to make every training session and every game this year is a dedicated convert to Rugby. Another member of the front rowers union, Zak can always be relied upon for a hard consistent game and providing the comedy relief for the team. Tireless in defence, strong around the rucks and mauls, Zak is always committed to learn more and deliver more every week.

Jake Kefford

Another great season cut short by a serious injury. Jake always plays well above his weight and this year was no exception. Consistency and improvement are hallmarks of his game together with exceptional defence and very smart plays around the rucks and mauls. One of the team's key players and an important key asset in the engine room.



Adam Kepreotes

Adam's confidence in his ability and his ability to read the game are valuable assets to the team. Pace out wide, an astute kicking game and rock solid defence week in, week out are consistent factors the team relies on and Adam deliveries at every opportunity. Our prime goal kicker can always be relied upon to add the extras.

Tom Mackie

Our "pressure" goal kicker with a 100% success rate this year. Tom can always be relied on to step up to the plate and consistently delivers an excellent performance every week. A permanent move out to the backline this year saw pleasing results at fullback and wing. Another who plays well above his weight and is always in the thick of the action.

Taia Marsters

Another of our four new players to the team and like them a quiet achiever. At home amongst the forwards Taia has learned the fundamentals of the game and is developing with every game. Keen

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to listen and learn, this keenness is also displayed on the field. More game time will provide more opportunity for improvement.

Rongomai Nukunuku

Rongomai's second season with the team has seen him develop into a really dangerous winger and centre. He has learned to use his speed and strength and with tries under his belt as a result of some hard work, his confidence has grown with each game. A versatile player whose attack is potent and defence as reliable as any.

Bruce Satiu

Bruce is also a member of the quiet achievers with his first season with the team. And what a debut season. Damaging in all aspects of his game – lethal running with a step off either foot that would beat anyone; defence that stops the opposition in their tracks. His presence in the centres has added a new dimension with a potency and ability to convert every opportunity.

Timothy Smart

Reliability, consistency, dedication and improvement are all characteristics of another of the team veterans. His skills in attack and defence see Tim as an integral part of the team. Always a danger in broken play and a stalwart in cover defence Tim always contributes a wholehearted effort every week and is a key part of the team.

Zep Taufa

The last of our new players – and just as quiet, Zep has also shown a keen willingness to learn the game. A winger with a good turn of speed and ability to defend well. Always enthusiastic and confident Zep will improve with time as he develops technique and skills and gets more game time under his belt.

Peter Goydych



Under 14's Report

What I like about Rugby is there are many ways to play the game and everybody has their opinions on how the game should be played. (My opinion must be correct because its in writing and done with hind side.) Some people say Rugby is a simple numbers game and I would agree our squad of 21 players was the right number to give everyone a go and maintain a healthy interchange bench of 4-5 players for each game.

Well this year has been our most successful ever with only the one loss and going through to win the grand final. Contributing factors for this our most successful year I believe are high quality players, disciplined structured training sessions, good on field conduct, having a number of players keen enough to do additional work on their fitness levels, good team spirit, having belief in your ability and the motivation that we have lost the last two previous grand finals.

I could write garbage till the cows come home but will stop, to get a couple of official thank yous in. Special thank you to our coaching staff Rod, John and Pa it is not an easy job and does require prior preparation work. Many thanks to John and Rod for running the line and big thanks for the great team effort with canteen duties.

Please find listed below player profiles.

Kind Regards

Jeff

Player Profiles

Luke Blayney – first year with Oatley, a back rower who always gives a wholehearted effort and always plays to his full potential. Goes about his work without fuss and can always be relied on to put in the hard work.

Scott Booth – an effervescent little player with a big heart and the capability of providing some breath taking moments. Very unlucky not to score a couple of tries in our grand final.

Nicholas Boskett – Nick is a strongly built forward and gets through plenty of work in close. He is a key man in the heart of rucks and our line outs. He has had a pleasing season but was disadvantaged by availability.

Nelson Dale – is an inspirational loose forward who offers power and pace. He is a determined competitor possessing a strong attacking flair and is an amazing defender. Nelson and the other flanker are crucial positions and often dictate our teams performance. A player of rep standard.

Kurt Gainsford – Has secured the permanent Half back position and has developed into a gritty and clever half back, who is an accurate passer and able to take the pressure of a big game. Kurt is naturally tough with a very competitive spirit. He has blinding speed and exceptional balance.

Tai Kingi – Another player to reach rep standard, he has improved on his performance from last year, not the biggest second rower running around but not scared to lay his body on the line week in week out with no thought of self preservation or regard to looks in the future. Tai gets through mountain of work and backs up all game every game. He has scored 2 outstanding tries, one was the first against Eastgardens and the second was our last try against Rockdale.

Marcus Heather – Had his best season EVER, his performance in one word was AWESOME, he leads by example. He boasts an outstanding work rate, usually topping the hit-ups in attack and asserts imposing authority in the defensive line. He played both his best games against Rockdale and scored a total of 14 personal points in our grand final, taking his rugby and his fitness very seriously. A player of rep standard.

David Horsley – Has had his best season EVER, he takes his rugby extremely seriously, this is shown by his attitude to training and fitness. He is a great team player who rarely fails to make a big impact in games. David is extremely fit, loose forward who puts intense pressure opponents. He has a big heart, he provides constant support and is deceptively quick. His most standout feature has been his win rate in our line outs, yet another player who has reached rep standard.

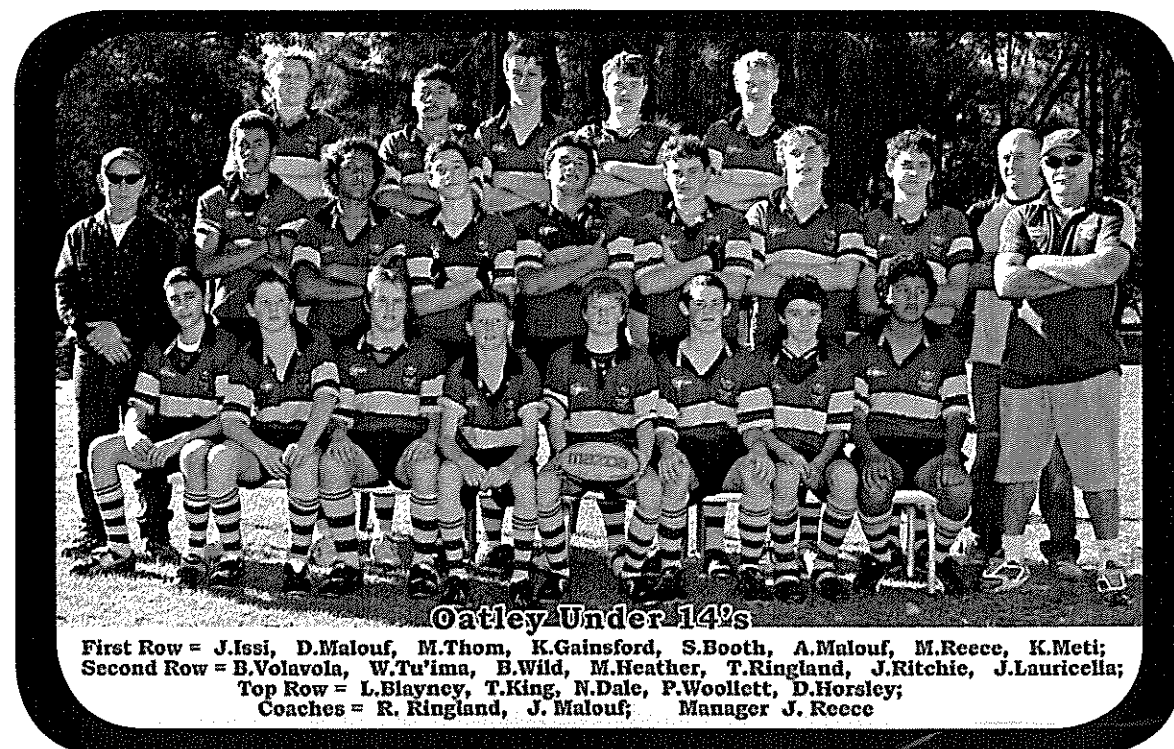
Jad Issi - is a new boy to Oatley this year, his natural athletic ability and his determined streak makes Jad chase every opportunity on the field. Jad scored a try in his first game for the club.

Aaron Malouf – Is a tackling machine who rounds up his opponents like a sheep dog, he is not passionate about his rugby, you would describe it as psychotic. An undisputed iron man, he is a tough and durable hooker who gives smooth service. He steals plenty of ball and metres with timely darts. He produced one of his performances against Eastgardens. Another player of rep standard.

Daniel Malouf – a very enthusiastic and busy back who likes to heavily involve himself. Backs up superbly, and has improved to be a tough and dependable defender.

Jack Lauricella – Has grown in size and confidence, he is a rugged and dependable tackler, who has worked tirelessly, he takes the ball up hard and combines well with his forward team mates, he has dogged determination and a low error rate.

Kieran Meti – He is a dynamic, heavyweight front/second rower, he turns up the volume on his performance this year. He is a popular personality who hits the ball up like a run away train. He is growing in confidence and experience and is maturing into a tough relentless forward.



Mitchell Reece – Had a good season, with 2 tries for the year. Defensively he was responsible for a try saving tackle against Sylvania where he managed to tackle their biggest player single handedly although it did take 30m to stop him. This was a turning point of the game in which Sylvania never recovered, not only for this game but for the rest of the season, and to date Mitchell has shown no remorse for his actions.

Taylor Ringland – Team Captain-astonishing attacker who invariably responds superbly to the 'big match' occasion. He is the architect of our forward play. He is fiercely determined, runs through opponents like a runaway train. Another player of rep standard.

James Ritchie – Joined midway through the season, a crucial signing by the manager, which was exactly what we needed, a back with some body bulk and a critically powerful runner. His rhino-like charges and bruising defence make him one of the most dangerous Oatley players to stop when he reaches top gear. His vigorous style makes him a difficult man to put on the ground. He produced an outstanding performance in our last win against Eastgardens, he was clearly the man of the match.

Matthew Thom - was a quiet achiever during the season scoring a couple of tries, which demonstrated his determination to get to the try line. Adaptable backline player with safe hands and sound defence, a welcome new addition to the team.

Blake Wild – first year with Oatley and saved his best games for the finals and is a player of rep standards. Blake is a very classy back with sound hands and electrifying acceleration. Provides a touch of instinctive genius in both attack and defence. Another player of rep standard.

William Tuima – a dangerous attacker who can create something out of nothing, our instinctive try scorer 22 for the season. A reliable presence and he has the ability to counter attack with sheer pace and great athleticism. Another player of rep standard.

Ben Volavola – a real confidence player, rangy and elusive attacker with scorching speed, a pinpoint pass and a monster boot. A player of rep standard who is respected by the opposition coaching staff. Another player of rep standard.

Peter Woollett – An inexhaustible forward who thrives in the tick of the action. He started his career with Oatley in the under 6s. He a gentleman, fearless forward, who crashes into the defence line like his life depends on it. He has grown into one of our high quality forwards who has built his game on impressive defence and penetrative attack. He has exceptional hands and knows that he has a lot of competition within the team for his position and is prepared to put in the work to maintain his standard and position. Another player of rep standard.

An outstanding season by this fine group of young men saw us narrowly beaten in the final by Sylvania, who went on to win the Grand Final. Injuries played a big part, especially at the end of our season. When Tyler, our captain and flyhalf, broke his shoulder, our lower number of backs in the squad this year, became an issue. Yet our first game after his injury saw the boys re-group and defeat Sylvania in a magnificent game at Evatt. Just before the Final, a knee injury to Nick, our powerhouse number 8, saw him virtually unable to put any weight on his leg – yet he was still willing to run at wing, and still gave his all. In the Final, when Nathan limped off from fullback, we were leading Sylvania after a great team effort, finished off by a bullocking charge by Harley into the corner.

There were many highlights throughout the season. That game at Evatt against Sylvania saw magnificent defence for a long period on our line, where the boys defended as if their lives depended on it. The same attitude got us home in a night match against Burra, when they came out firing on all cylinders. They attacked our line for 10 minutes through their forwards and were repeatedly repelled. It broke their spirits and we went on to a big win. In the game against the undefeated competition leaders at Evatt, the boys gave Clovelly a lesson in rugby and won 35 – 0. It was a win built on a mammoth effort by a forward pack that played as one and a backline that was in their opponents faces and refused to crack. Finally, the semi-final against Easts at Redmond. They had beaten us in last year's grand final and led till well into the second half. However, the boys kept playing hard, disciplined footy, and eventually the pressure paid off and our one-armed bandit, Evan, weaved his way through half the field to score and we hung on with magnificent defence to win.



We have had a great band of supporters: parents, grandparents and friends. Kerry Lavelle was again the "mother" to our under 15s family and the team's heartfelt thanks go to her for her constant work to look after everyone – both in getting to and from Rugby and in caring about whatever was going on in their lives. I hope everyone appreciates her generosity and knows how much we are blessed to have her managing the team. Thank also and especially to:

- Henare Nukunuku who was the real coach for this season ... he inspired us with his enthusiasm, knowledge and good mix of wit and discipline;
- all who helped at games and training, but especially John Francis, Blair Commin and Graham Morris;
- all those who worked in the canteen;

And so to the 'rogues gallery':

Peter Burns Burnsy was a real pain ... to the opposition. In the last games of the season especially, he stood up and took on a bigger role when we needed it – he made a big impact, using his speed and bustling opposition backs.

Nick Commin Nick gave 120% in every game, even when injured. He soaked up so much opposition energy, in attack and defence, that he created opportunities for others around him.

Peter Francis Peter is a calm, constant worker no matter what is happening around him. He keeps his mind on the game, is often first to the ball, and bustling the opposition. He is an excellent lineout jumper.

Ben Galluzzo Ben had a great season both as a hooker, where he can win more than his share of tight heads, and a tigerish worker in the tight stuff. Despite giving away kilos to opposition forwards, he had the heart to never say die.

Claudius Kruger Thanks to Claudius for moving to various positions to help the team wherever he was needed: backs or forwards. Also for backing up after school games. His speed and strength had a big impact on many games.

Austen Lavelle A pillar of our scrum, which really shone this season. Austen's knowledge and strength has now been capped with a nice touch of controlled aggression. He also plays an invaluable part in bonding the team.

Nathan Morris What an outstanding first season for someone who'd played neither the game of 13 nor 15 before. With a build and stride reminiscent of Roger Gould, Nathan was brave under the high ball, in hit ups and in front-on defence.

Henare Nukunuku It was great to see Henare without as many breaks this season – bones that is. As this suggests, he's always in the thick of things, and as I felt at training on a few occasions, able to produce some big hits. Great bustler!

Wiremu Nukunuku Wins a lot of loose ball and another tremendous bustler. Like his brother, has a great pass, and when the scrumhalf was caught, could get the backline going. Wiremu has worked hard on his lineout throwing and hooking.

Paul O'Connor Paul's strength and size make a big impact in the forwards. The highlight of his season was the way he fired up in the Sylvania game at Evatt – that touch of fire made him a powerhouse.

Harley Perawati Not many props could play flanker, but what a great job he did at both. Harley grew a lot this season – with mental toughness. His disciplined displays, full of controlled aggression, were a highlight of the end of year games. An awesome sight striding up the field.

Oliver Plummer Oliver gave his all to the team. Playing on the wing, he hit the ball up strongly and committed to all the tackles that were thrown at him. His confidence grew throughout the season.

Tim Quirk Tim had a magnificent season, wherever he was needed – flanker, lock or wing. His low defence is an example to all and he was a tigerish fighter for the loose ball.

Raymond Rez Outstanding performance in the tight stuff: anywhere in the pack, including flanker, Raymond gave his all. He was always fired up with calm, controlled aggression. Thanks for backing up after the school games.

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Christopher Satiu What an impact. Chris has a lovely balance to his game – an easy smile and devastating defence or damaging running. Although a born prop, his try-scoring saw him looking for a start in the backs. His enjoyment of the game helped the whole team.

Mika Semi Mika had a great season at either scrumhalf or flyhalf. He really stepped up when Tyler was injured, both as captain, goalkicker and an attacking back. What a kick from the sideline in the final to put us in front! Another pain... to oppositions!

Tyler Spitz Boy did we miss Tyler – the most attacking tackler who disrupted other backlines with the fear of one of his bone-crunchers. An inspirational captain for most of the season, who led from the front. Excellent goal kicker.

Soatame Taufu Some of the most spectacular tries this year were from Soatame running an angle and busting through between the centres. Strong running and hard defence are his trademarks. When we were short of a flanker, tightened up the close-in defence.

Evan Underwood Goes looking for the ball wherever it is. Evan can sniff out half an opportunity and make the opposition pay – just ask Easts and Sylvania. Strong defence in the centres, or helping out at flanker.

Charles Vincente Outstanding development in Charles' game this year, that saw him go to the Southern Zone squad. A very attacking wing, he did a great job at scrumhalf after Tyler's demise. Great speed and a tenacious spirit.

Southern Districts Rep Squad: Raymond Rez, Tyler Spitz, Evan Underwood and Charles Vincente (with Sipa Taumoepeau)

Southern Zone Rep Squad: Nick Commin, Tyler Spitz, Evan Underwood and Charles Vincente

Congratulations on being such an outstanding team and great bunch of fine young men.

Tom Ryan
2005 Coach



Under 16's Report

After a twelve-year association with this team (seven as main coach) it was a sensational way for it to end. Having to dig deep to win the grand final in extra time was very exciting, and rewarding to see the players so passionate after they scored the final two tries in extra time. The way that they scored those tries and celebrated afterwards showed great skill and camaraderie.

Success can be measured in several ways; five seasons as undefeated premiers is one yardstick. It could be argued that we have played in an easy competition, but when you consider that the players have defeated all opposition that we have encountered over those years it's pretty convincing.

Three times Eastwood Marist seven a side champions, three times Kings' School national ten a side champions, twice Illawarra Challenge champions, Kefu Cup holders and to top it off crowned as champions of the Gold Coast Carnival this season. During these events we have encountered a wide variety of teams from all over the country, club and private school, and now even overseas teams, convincing victors in every match.

But that is not how I measure success.

The players have completed their junior football skilled, enthusiastic

and determined to progress and succeed into the next level; and they enjoy what they do. They play an expansive, non-stop and open brand of football, which is as much a joy to watch as it is to play.

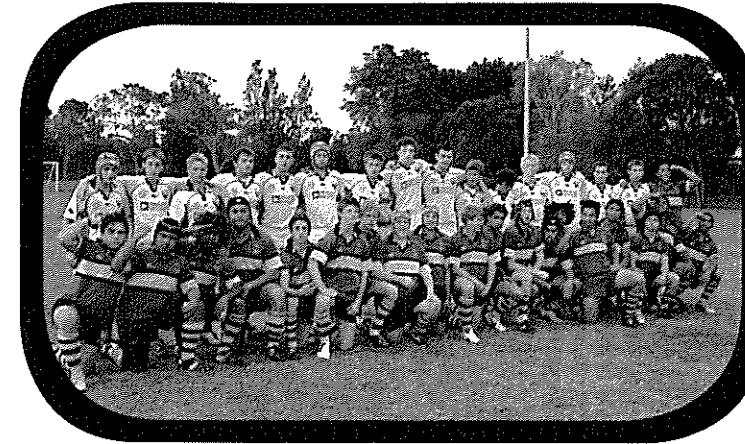
Who would have thought that a small southside club team could supply nine players to the National u16 Championships in Sept/October school holidays. The ironic part is there should have been more, but politics plays its part in all sport! But that's enough on rep football – these boys will receive their accolades later.

The other measure of success is their personal development.

Kerry and I are proud of the way that these boys have conducted themselves wherever we have taken them to compete. It is ultimately satisfying to hear comments from spectators about their conduct, attitude and intensity. The team environment has helped to shape the boys into adults; they are good mates and strive not to let each other down. Much credit for this must go to the captains, Micah and Rob, who rule over the group with a 'do as I do' attitude and always with an aim of lifting the team to a new level.

We are unsure what next season has in store for the players but team management is satisfied that the boys have a solid foundation to build upon in the coming years, on and off the field.

The highlight of the year was certainly the trip to the Gold Coast where the players received a taste of what Rugby has in store for them as they approach senior level; the game offers a lot more than eighty minutes of football each week!



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We probably would not have toured to the Gold Coast if it were not for the support of the parents with the fund raising, especially the Latunipulus and the Faingaas (they must have sold raffle tickets to nearly everyone in Sydney!) and the huge effort from Stephen and Elaine Hall. Stephen pulled a lot of strings and the funds came rolling in, but the support from the pair while on the trip made it such a success. From all the team thank you very much.

The players would also like to thank Kerry for her many years of 'bossy booting' and 'pseudo mothering'. All jokes aside the team would not function as it does without your attention to detail and whole hearted caring.

I personally owe a debt of gratitude to Mike Holland for twelve years of being bashed and bruised at training – otherwise it would have been me! To Elaine and Ian Martin, the team's 'strappers,' thanks for all the time and effort; and Kevin in the 'Airport Taxi' shuttling players to training and games.

We intend to have a team barbecue later in the year where we can discuss the team's future, so I hope to see you all then.

Bruce



Oatley Seniors Report

With so many new players coming to Oatley this year it was always going to be an uncertain season for the seniors club. Our original expectations for 2005 were high given that we had an improved version of last years first grade finalists but what we didn't expect was the depth of talented players that chose to make Oatley their home this season. With our goals changing mid season we were able to focus on gaining the Division 4 (3 team) club championship for the first time in the clubs history.

Our main positives for 2005 were....

- Division 4 Club Champions
- Finalists first and second grade
- Joeli Liutamaglia invited from Fiji as our guest player for the season
- Joeli Luitamaglia and Chris Moss picked in 2005 NSW Suburban team
- Record number of sponsors for 2005
- Fielding Halligan Cup (4th grade) for the first time since 2002
- Positive rebuilding of the Under 19's team

A brief summary of our grades....

First Grade

With first grade bowing out in the final it was a disappointing way for the 2005 minor premiers to finish the season. With 1 loss going into the semi finals we were confident favourites to take out the cup only to have our season fall apart in 2 games. Sure there were some poor decisions by officials but in the wash-up we only have ourselves to blame as our discipline let us down when we needed it most. Nonetheless it was still a fantastic year for the clubs top team and many thanks to Chris Moss and Gavin Brown for their efforts in getting the best from the players. Thank you to Mick Waudby in taking up the managers position. With a hopeful promotion to 3rd division next season there will be new challenges for the players ahead.

Second grade

To finish 3rd in the competition was a great achievement for second grade given the amount of new players coming into the team, but Justin Baratta had the boys playing consistent good quality football all season. The most positive thing about second grade was that there were a number of players who had risen through last years lower grade sides to earn their positions in the team. It's just a shame that injuries to key players at the wrong end of the season hampered our success in the finals.

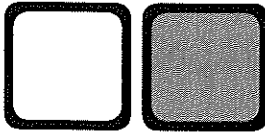
Third grade

We finished strong but gave away too many cheap games in the early start of the season which cost us dearly when we needed it. With injuries and unavailability in the higher grades third grade was always going to be a revolving door of players. Thanks for Arthur Brown for his efforts in coaching what must be the hardest grade in the club in his first year. If early results had gone our way we would have really given the top clubs a shake as we were competitive in every game we played all season.

Fourth Grade

With such a large numbers of players this year we entered a side in the "Halligan Cup" competition. To their credit the guys performed admirably throughout the season with the top clubs regularly choosing us to play against because we were one of the few teams who would give them a run for their money.





Thanks to KB for again stepping up in his role as coach when we needed it.

The key to this side in 2005 was obviously to ensure all players who come to our club receive a game as well as providing a springboard into next years 4 team competition.

Under 19's

With the bulk of last years successful 19's moving on it was always going to be a rebuilding year for the 19's in 2005. With a shortened season due to some clubs dropping out of the it was a shame that the season ended just when the guys were beginning to come together well as a team. Many thanks for Ross Bernays for his tireless work in maintaining the bridge between the junior and senior club – again! The most positive thing about the Under 19's is that there will be a large portion of these players returning for another go next year.

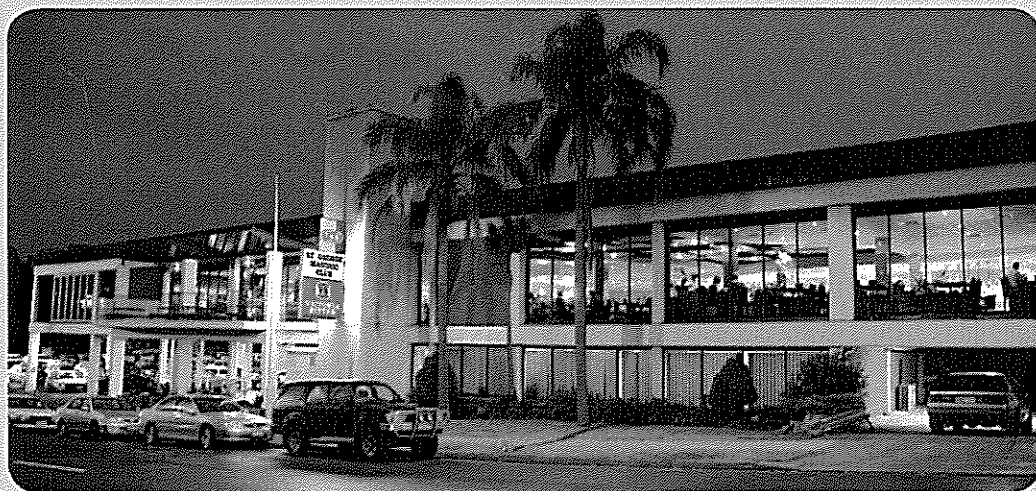
Thanks for all the 19's who "stepped down" to play seniors once their season ended

To achieve the club championship is a tremendous achievement given that we were relegated to 4th division two seasons ago due to a shortage of numbers. It is a satisfying reward to the committed coaches, players, sponsors and volunteers who pulled together to rebuild the seniors to its present condition.

As a result of this years success the seniors will be looking for promotion to the 3rd division NSW Suburban 4 team competition. With most players committing to remain with the club as well as some hopeful new recruits the clubs future is looking well for both the seniors and the Under 19's in 2006

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