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Annual Report 2017



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COACHES & MANAGERS 2017

U6

Bayley Tangiora, Chris Radburn, Paula McCabe
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Simon Johnson, Ben Nixon
Tim Henry, Scott Doble, Steph Doble

U7

Jack Singleton, Anthony Coburn
John McCallum, Eoin Grant, Steve Hoiles, Bill and Sarah Morgan
Abel Straker, Jamie McCall, Michelle McCall

U8

Oliver Brown, Andy Donaldson, Jon Delaney, Karen Privat
Morgan Clifton, Matt Rudd, Gavin Shepherd
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Chris James, Chris Radburn

U9

Ryan Carr, Tasman Tanner, Mary-Anne Tanner
Bruce Jones, Tanya McDonald
Matt Vesper, Clare Sheppard
Peter Tate, Scott Doble

U10

Pat Collins, Emily Nielson
Richard Taylor, Jade Stewart
Dudley Gordon, Sean Baker, Ian Alker

U11

Angus Hayes, Bruce Jones, Joe Craven
Andrew Tweed, Vicki Lee

U12

Josh Smith, Tasman Tanner, Mary-Anne Tanner
John Andrews, Ben Larsson, Maureen Andrews

President's Report



As the weather warms, another season passes into history and, once again, in our own little way, the Clovelly Eagles continue to contribute to the fabric that makes up the foundations of the game called Rugby.

Through the efforts of the Coaches, Managers and helpers that give their valued time to the Club, almost 300 kids have commenced or continued their journey along the rugby trail that will take them in so many different directions. Some will go on to higher levels, some will continue to play for enjoyment and some will pursue other things but, at the least, I hope it has given our kids access to lasting friendships and a feeling of what it's like to be part of a team.

As an example of those who have gone from the Eagles to achieve higher honours we had the incredible news this year that the Australian Schoolboys team contained, not one, not two but four former Eagles players with Finn Wright, Ben Donaldson, Will Harrison and Marco Bell all selected for the most prestigious honour in Junior Rugby. This is an incredible reflection on the calibre of coaching and support those boys received during their own development journey, along which the Club can proudly say it played its part. I challenge anyone to deny it as unprecedented representation from any Club remotely near our size.

Congratulations also to those players in our older age groups who enjoyed representative honours for Randwick this year and thanks for those who helped with the organisation at this level.

On the field, the Club enjoyed mixed success across the age groups with some teams featuring at the pointy end while others had a year that could best be described as 'character building'. While the kids will learn from both scenarios we do strive to make the game as enjoyable as possible for the players as we collectively balance competitiveness with access for all abilities. The Club exists to facilitate and encourage enjoyable participation in Junior Rugby for the maximum number of kids possible. Our only measure of success should be the percentage of players who want to come back and play with us next year and, I hope, whatever we do as Committee, Coaches and parents continues to keep this as a cornerstone value at the Eagles.

As always, when handed a pen or microphone, I cannot help but emphasise the appreciation for the dedication our Coaches and Managers put into our kids. On behalf of all the parents, please believe

your efforts do not go unnoticed. You may be surprised by how long you will be remembered by the players and I like the picture of one or two of them, by way of thanks, shaking your hand in the street in a dozen years' time, or maybe even buying you a drink.

On that note, as our Under 12s go on to other rugby paths, the season will likely see the end of a chapter as a couple of our longest standing Coaches and Managers complete this dedicated service to the kids under their charge for so long. Josh Smith and John and Maureen Andrews, ably assisted by Ben Larsson through the later years, have taken their charges from 6 or 7 years of age through their entire Eagles career and much gratitude is owed for the many hundreds of hours you have given so freely to the boys.

Many thanks also to all of our Committee members who work behind the scenes to allow the season to 'just happen'. A particular gratitude from a generation of parents must go to long-term Committee member, Deb Johnson. With the youngest of Deb's three sons, Sam, finishing in Under 12s this year, she will complete her remarkable contribution to this Club in various capacities over a period of 12 years. The sheer number of devoted hours, mostly out of the limelight, would equate to months and months of work over this time. Deb has always been a 'safe pair of hands' for anything she undertakes, she can be relied on as a 'keeper of knowledge' when questions arise about the Club's recent history and she will be missed.

We appreciated the return of long-term sponsors in Shane Vincent, from Belle Property Randwick, and the Clovelly Hotel and gratefully welcomed a new major sponsor this year in Foster Finance. What was even more pleasing was to have it be someone from within the Eagles family. Many thanks to Will Foster for making the game more affordable for all and for saving us from endless chook raffles.

In closing, I sincerely hope everyone involved with this great Club had fun this year (if any parents didn't, you must not have been at the Social Night) and I hope to see you all back next year after a safe and enjoyable summer.

Tony Sheppard

President – Clovelly Junior Rugby Club

55
YEARS OF
RUGBY
1962-2017

Club Trophy Awards 2017

Club Trophy Awards

Recipient

The Patrons Cup – The team playing to club motto

U11 BLUE

Jimmy Lane Memorial – President's Award for Excellence

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Club Supporter of the Year

MARY-ANNE & TASMAN TANNER

Shawn Mackay Club Player of the Year Award

This award goes to the player that shows qualities such as leadership, sportsmanship and cooperation

OLIVER ABOUD

Chris Whittaker Award

This award goes to the player that shows most potential in a mini team (U6 – U9 only)

BEN WRIGHT

Col Windon Award

This award goes to the player that shows most potential in a junior team (U10 – U17 only)

ZAC SARFATI

Exceptional Achievement Award

MAX TANNER

Most competition points in minis

U8 BLUE

Most competition points in juniors

U10 WHITE

Best defence trophy minis

U7 RED

Best defence trophy juniors

U10 WHITE

Greg Killeen Award for the Most Improved Mini Team

U8 WHITE

Wally Meagher Award for the Most Improved Junior Team

U10 RED

Treasurer's Report



Income and Expenditure

	2016	2017
Income		
Sponsorship	15,463	22,500
Registrations	45,185	44,225
Social Event (net)	4,098	1,913
Canteen/Merchandise (net)	6,542	7,497
	<u>71,288</u>	<u>76,135</u>
Expenditure		
Insurance	2,100	2,616
Competition & Coaching Fees	26,682	19,280
Clothing and Equipment	16,258	23,098
U12 Tour	1,700	2,400
Annual Report and End of Season Gifts	18,568	14,447
Other Admin costs	2,307	4,767
	<u>67,615</u>	<u>66,608</u>
Total Income	<u>71,288</u>	<u>76,135</u>
Total Expenditure	<u>67,615</u>	<u>66,608</u>
Net Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	<u>3,673</u>	<u>9,527</u>
	As at	As at
Balance sheet	30 Sept 2016*	30 Sept 2017
Cash at Bank	30,203	49,490
Debtors	5,000	0
Accrued Expenses	(10,192)	(14,952)
	<u>25,011</u>	<u>34,538</u>
Net Assets	<u>25,011</u>	<u>34,538</u>
Represented by		
Accumulated Funds B/F	21,338	25,011
Net Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	<u>3,673</u>	<u>9,527</u>
	<u>25,011</u>	<u>34,538</u>

*2016 Figures are different to that shown in the 2016 Annual Report reflecting updated receipts/invoices post season

This year has been a successful result for the Club financially. Player registration has continued to be strong and the social events that we host throughout the year have also been a success. In turn, this has enabled us to attract great support for the Club through sponsorship of one of the strongest junior sporting clubs in the Eastern Suburbs.

In 2017 we changed the way we wanted to align the Club with our sponsors. Whilst our focus is always to match the Club's goals and objectives with like-minded people who share our desire to provide a valuable offering in the local community, this year we looked to make it more mutually beneficial. As a result, the Club introduced a new sponsorship platform. The Club now offers one

Platinum Sponsorship and two Gold Sponsorships each with a minimum two-year commitment. Going forward, we believe this will improve our ability to attract sponsors looking for a longer term relationship with a Club that is pro-active in giving back to those that support us.

To this end, we have been very fortunate to establish new sponsorship agreements with Foster Finance, Belle Properties Randwick, and the Clovelly Hotel. Their support and commitment to the Club has been very much appreciated and has assisted us with our ongoing funding costs, not least the new player outfits we required this year.

The Club also continued to support the participation of teams at the Harbord Gala Day and

Canberra Seven's Tournament during the year as well as making a contribution to the U12 NZ Tour and other rugby related initiatives in the district. We have also been pleased to continue the tradition of providing players with a team photo, Annual Report and end of season gift along with a small token of thanks to the Coaches & Managers for their tireless support of the players and their teams.

In summary, another good year for the Clovelly Eagles. Thanks again to all the amazing volunteers in the Club that helped make this possible.

Richard Schall - Treasurer





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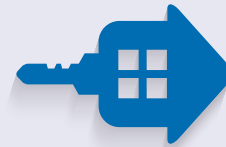
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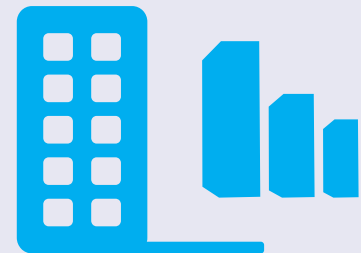
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Where are they now?

Clovelly Eagles players shining in Schoolboy Rugby in 2017

There's a core group of young men in Year 12 this year who all played their junior rugby at Clovelly Eagles and are now destined for greater things in their rugby careers having gained selection in the 2017 Australian Schoolboys Rugby team. They and their teammates have had much to celebrate.

Waverley College First XV had a stunning season in 2017, which included winning the CAS Premiership undefeated. Seven members of the team were from the Clovelly U16 side of 2015: Finn Wright, Will McCormick, Joel Ellis, Marco Bell, Ben Donaldson, Lachie Wallace and Ben Howard. Other members from this core Clovelly team in this & prior seasons included Will Harrison (Marcellin & Randwick Colts, Australian Barbarians 2016), Matt Stead (Trinity College First XV) and Charlie and Ben Baker (Scots College First XV).

The success of their respective performances made the representative selectors take notice:

- Finn Wright, Will McCormick, Joel Ellis, Marco Bell, Ben Donaldson, Lachie Wallace (all of Waverley) and Matt Stead (Trinity) were all selected in the CAS representative teams, and Charlie & Ben Baker (Scots) were selected in the GPS representative teams.
- After the CAS/GPS games, Finn Wright, Will McCormick, Joel Ellis, Marco Bell, Ben Donaldson, Matt Stead and Charlie Baker were selected for various representative teams for the Australian Schools Championships.
- After those Championships, Ben Donaldson, Finn Wright, Marco Bell (all of Waverley) and Will Harrison (Marcellin) were selected for the Australian Schoolboys team to play Fiji and New Zealand in October 2017.

This continues Clovelly Eagles and Randwick Juniors fine tradition as a nursery of rugby talent. There is no question that playing teenage club rugby together for Clovelly, participation in the well-managed Randwick Academy training program & its associated representative sides complimented their schools programme and made them better rugby players.



U16A 2015 TEAM



Back Row: Steve Kelly (Manager), Nathan Vougdis, Michael Antoniadis, Harrison Stein, Sione Nikua, Jordan Paea, Oliver Mahoney, Jack Kelly, Will McCormick, Brett McCormick (Coach), Daniel Parras, Ben Donaldson, Matt Stead, Marco Bell, Stu Donaldson (Coach), Joel Ellis, Craig Bell (Coach)
Front Row: Ben Howard, Max Torsellini, Finn Wright, Finlay Davis, Hugh France, Will Harrison

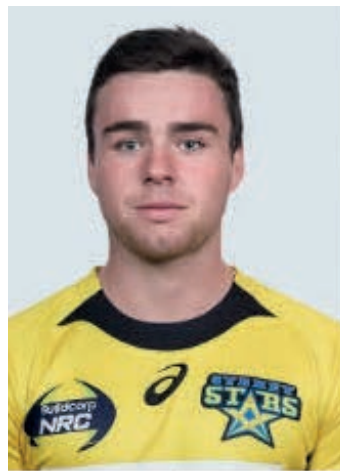
Where are they now?

Other well-known past Eagles?

Connor O'Shea and Tom Wright are other recent ex-Eagles whose stars have shone brightly.

Connor O'Shea

After beginning rugby at the age of 4 as a Clovelly Eagle and finishing his career at Clovelly in 2009 as the Club's all-time leading try and points scorer, Connor went on to be regarded as a very talented and skilful schoolboy rugby player at St Joseph's College Hunters Hill, representing its 1st XV, NSW Schoolboys and the Australian Schoolboys Rugby team in 2014 which toured New Zealand, and played against Fijian & New Zealand Schools. Connor is now playing for Sydney University Rugby Club and more recently played 1st Grade for the Club and represented the NSW U20's as fly-half. Conner is currently studying Commerce at the University of Sydney.



Tom Wright

Tom played alongside Connor for much of his schoolboy rugby career at both Clovelly Eagles and St Joseph's College Hunters Hill. Tom also appears very high in the record books of Clovelly Eagles as a record try-scorer. Tom played in various schoolboy representative teams in his final year at school in 2014 (including GPS 1st XV and NSW 1st XV). In 2015, Tom was beginning an exciting career as a representative Rugby 7's player before he signed as a professional rugby league player with the Manly Sea Eagles in the NRL competition, where he still plays.





2017 Milestones

100 GAMES

U12B Jack Smith
U12B Max Tanner
U12R Finn Baxter
U12R Scott Swinburn

75 GAMES

U10B Brooklyn Heath
U10R Toby Alker
U10R Edward Baxter
U11B Luca Cugin
U11B Lorcan Jones
U11R Callum Penny
U11R Charlie Ashton
U12B Hugh McDonald
U12R Evan Wright
U12R Lachlan Creswick
U12R Hamish Larsson

50 GAMES

U9B Symon Cheika
U9B Charlie Grant
U9B Will Wenderoth
U9W Carrig Jones
U9W James McDonald
U9R Archie Creswick
U9R Will Sheppard
U9BL Lachlane Doble
U10B Gabriel Nobre-Rance
U10B Orlando Collins
U10B Angus Morrison
U10B Angus Nielson
U10W Tane Firth
U10W Cooper Stewart
U10W Cooper Taylor
U10W James Mann
U10R Harrison Baker
U10R Luca Fredericks
U10R Thomas Gordon
U10R Lachlan Hindmarsh
U11B Max Craven

U11B Krystian Gardiner
U11B Ronan Shepherd
U11B Callum Stevens
U11B Stephen Wade
U11R Oliver Aboud
U11R Joel Jacobs
U12B George Karson
U12R Kane Sheppard
U12R Sam Vesper

Wallabies Visit





Annual Social





The Clovelly Eagles' Committee invites you to the annual Club Social

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Bronte Surf Club
Saturday, 22 July 2017
from 7 - 12pm
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VALE
Cooper Rice Brading
22 January 1999 – 24 August 2017



The Eagles community was saddened to hear of the passing of ex-player Cooper Rice-Brading after an 18 month battle with cancer.

Cooper enjoyed four seasons with the club between 2007 - 2010, playing 52 games and scoring an impressive 51 tries. He was equally comfortable in the back row or centres and is fondly remembered by teammates and coaches as a highly skilled player with a heart the size of Phar Lap's.

Not one to sit back and be beaten by his diagnosis Cooper, with the assistance of his family, set up a foundation to raise money for research in to sarcoma cancer. To date the Cooper Rice-Brading Foundation has raised over \$120,000. If you would like to contribute to the fundraising donations can be made at www.crbf.org.au

Around 20 of Coops teammates represented the Eagles at his funeral forming part of a guard of honour.

Our thoughts are with his mother Tania, father Colin and brother Mitchell at this difficult time.

Cooper's U11 team 2010



Club Top 20 Performances



* INDICATES CURRENT PLAYER

Most Tries in a Season	# of Tries	Year
Andre Bachelet	88	1997
Connor O'Shea	84	2002
Leo Jacques	74	2014
*Sonny Taylor	71	2017
Tom Wright	69	2005
Connor O'Shea	66	2004
*Max Tanner	64	2012
*Zac Sarfati	61	2013
Keiran Tyler	61	1978
Todd McGrath	61	1972
Latham James	58	2004
Matthew Pendleton	57	1988
Sasha Juric	55	1995
Victor Radley	55	2005
*Max Tanner	54	2013
*Hudson James	54	2017
Dale Pendleton	53	1985
James Toomalatai	53	1996
Leo Jacques	53	2015
*Charlie Tanner	52	2016

Most Points in a Season	# of Points	Year
Connor O'Shea	460	2002
Andre Bachelet	418	1977
Tom Wright	383	2005
Leo Jacques	370	2014
Connor O'Shea	364	2004
*Sonny Taylor	355	2017
*Zac Sarfati	339	2013
Keiran Tyler	322	1978
*Max Tanner	320	2012
James Toomalatai	307	1996
*Max Tanner	302	2013
Latham James	290	2004
Sasah Juric	277	1997
Victor Radley	275	2005
*Hudson James	270	2017
Tom Wright	270	2003
Connor O'Shea	266	2005
Leo Jaques	265	2015
*Charlie Tanner	260	2016
*Ben Wright	255	2017

Most Tries in a career	# of Tries	Year
Connor O'Shea	272	2000-2009
Tom Wright	244	2002-2009
* Max Tanner	218	2010-2017
Sasha Juric	212	1992-1997
Brett Dooley	205	1970-1978
Morgan Turinui	201	1987-1995
*Brooklyn Heath	198	2012-2017
Connor McMullen	190	2007-2014
Grant Mould	179	1965-1973
Charlie Baker	178	2004-2013
*Charlie Tanner	167	2014-2017
Michael Rooney	166	1974-1982
Billy Wright	160	2000-2005
Louis Collins	153	2003-2012
Ben Baker	152	2004-2013
*Sam Johnson	152	2010-2017
Dane Towns	150	2009-2016
Kordell Payne	149	2004-2008
James Toomalatai	148	1994-2001
Keiran Knight	146	2001-2007

Most Points in a Career	# of Points	Year
Connor O'Shea	1554	2000-2009
Tom Wright	1336	2002-2009
Sasha Juric	1174	1992-1997
*Max Tanner	1140	2010-2017
Connor McMullen	1010	2007-2013
*Brooklyn Heath	990	2012-2017
Charlie Baker	924	2004-2013
Billy Wright	905	2000-2006
Liam Andrews	868	2006-2014
Ben Baker	881	2004-2013
Morgan Turinui	879	1987-1995
Keiran Knight	850	2001-2007
Victor Radley	848	2003-2010
James Toomalatai	840	1994-2002
*Charlie Tanner	835	2013-2017
Brett Dooley	807	1970-1978
Kieran Tate	798	2002-2007
*Zac Sarfati	788	2013-2017
Latham James	781	2002-2010
Louis Collins	779	2003-2012

Summary of Results 2017

TEAM	PLAYED	WIN	LOSS	DRAW	W/O	FOR	AGAINST
U6 BLUE	14	2	9	3	0	445	545
U6 WHITE	14	9	1	4	0	655	310
U6 RED	13	9	1	3	0	400	315
U6 BLACK	14	7	1	6	0	440	360
U7 BLUE	14	5	3	6	0	445	405
U7 WHITE	14	3	7	4	0	335	360
U7 RED	13	12	0	1	0	455	245
U8 BLUE	14	13	1	0	0	970	345
U8 WHITE	13	10	2	1	0	610	380
U8 RED	13	7	6	0	0	590	575
U8 BLACK	14	7	6	1	0	650	585
U9 BLUE	14	7	4	3	0	570	320
U9 WHITE	14	6	7	1	0	430	455
U9 RED	14	4	0	1	0	475	665
U9 BLACK	14	8	5	1	0	390	275
U10 BLUE	16	7	9	0	0	312	364
U10 WHITE	18	14	2	0	0	850	116
U10 RED	16	10	6	0	0	438	292
U11 BLUE	14	2	11	1	0	125	480
U11 RED	15	4	11	0	0	190	390
U12 BLUE	15	2	13	0	0	197	637
U12 RED	15	0	14	1	0	156	678



Minis Competition U6 BLUE

Coaches: Bayley Tangiora-Smith & Chris Radburn

Manager: Paula McCabe



BACK: Matteo Coumbis, Toby Radburn, Bayley Tangiora-Smith (Coach)

FRONT: Toby Goodall, Noah Lashbrooke, Thomas Walden, Carlos Cheika

ABSENT: Chris Radburn (Coach), Paula McCabe (Manager), Saxon Yates, Rory Palmer, William Leyland, Matthew Maloney

When describing disorder my father used to say it was like herding cats. He obviously never tried organising 9 boys ranging in age from 4 to 6 years with a rugby ball. If he did, he might of likened it to herding cats uphill with a pointy stick. Very enthusiastic, boisterous and determined cats. With varying attention spans.

But what a rewarding experience. The boys improved enormously throughout the season. From humble beginnings of not knowing to pass the ball backwards or with any vague notion of off-side, the boys grew in confidence and ability over the 14 games. By the end of the season, the boys had worked out that tagging/tackling was essential (even if not as glamorous as try scoring) and that working together as a team did actually make a difference. They boys became friends and were thrilled to see each other at training and on game day.

Will (the speedster) was our top try scorer with 24 tries, followed closely by Rory (the determined) on 21 tries and Toby R (the enforcer) on 18 tries.

Noah (the bolter), Toby G (the constant) and Matteo (the deceptive) were consistent performers week in and week out.

Thomas (the powerful), Saxon (the quiet achiever) and Carlos (the tackler) were a wonderful support to the team.

A very special thank you to Bayley for volunteering to coach the boys. You were always so patient and caring. You had a special rapport with each of them and they were thrilled to see you always. A huge thank you to Chris for stepping up as assistant coach and spending many games "herding" the boys. Your patience is to be admired. Thank you to Nick for pitching in at training sessions and Adam and Matt for cameo game day roles. The team would not have coped without you.

We hope all the boys enjoyed their time with the U6 Blues and that those old enough will move on to the U7s next year. We loved watching them grow over the season and cheering for them on the sidelines. We hope you did too.

U6 BLUE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Toby Radburn	13	18	0	90	13	18	0	90
Noah Lashbrook	11	8	0	40	11	8	0	40
Carlos Cheika	13	1	0	5	13	1	0	5
Toby Goodall	14	9	0	45	14	9	0	45
Rory Palmer	12	21	0	105	12	21	0	105
Thomas Walden	13	0	0	0	13	0	0	0
Matteo Cumbis	13	5	0	25	13	5	0	25
Saxon Yates	9	0	0	0	9	0	0	0
William Leyland	10	24	0	120	10	24	0	120

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	2	9	3	0	445	545

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	East's Bays White	L	25 - 40
2	East's Bays Red	D	40 - 40
3	Coogee Seahorses	L	45 - 55
4	Bondi Breakers Red	L	20 - 25
5	Bondi Breakers Gold	L	25 - 40
6	Clovelly White	L	20 - 40
7	Clovelly Red	L	30 - 40
8	Clovelly Black	W	40 - 35
9	Maroubra Missiles	L	30 - 45
10	East's Wallaroos	L	15 - 30
11	East's Bays Gold	L	35 - 45
12	East's Bays Blue	D	25 - 25
13	East's Bays Green	D	45 - 45
14	East's Bays White	W	50 - 40

Minis Competition U6 WHITE

Coaches: Sean Baker, Brad Cummins & Stewart Hindmarsh

Manager: Amanda Baker



BACK: Stewart Hindmarsh (Coach), Sean Baker (Coach), Brad Cummins (Coach), Amanda Baker (Manager)

MIDDLE: Hugo Cummins, Darcy Baker, Arthur Fletcher, Harry McKeon, George Caie

FRONT: Oscar Ward, Angus Hindmarsh, Henry Callen, Leroy Price, Charlie Meynell, Louie Cummins

The 2017 season seems to have come and gone far too quickly! With a team of 11 very keen young men, 8 of which who were new to rugby we thought we would have a challenge on our hands, but that was not the case. Our 3 experienced boys in their second year of under 6's, showed great leadership from round 1.

The first game of the year showed just how raw the boys were, there was plenty of nerves, along with excitement and that was on the sideline.

The improvement each of the boys have shown has been nothing short of remarkable, since round 3 the boys were asked to have two passes on each play. Its lucky we did this to give all of them a touch of the ball as their defence became that good, on occasions they went extended periods without a chance to attack.

For me personally it's an absolute pleasure to coach and get to know this group of boys. I get a so much satisfaction out of seeing how excited and happy the boys are when they're both playing and training. It's great to see the comradery, respect and friendship the boys show each other. The same respect and sportsmanship has also been shown to every opposition team we have played. This is a true testament to the families we have in this team, the support received

from everyone is truly appreciated and we couldn't do this without it.

I need to give a special thank you to my co-coaches. After roping in Stewart Hindmarsh on a night out, the support at training you given me is invaluable, it is impossible to control eleven 6yr old boys on any day let alone a windy afternoon at Burrows. Brad Cummins help on Saturdays allows the boys to hear a different voice (save mine) as well as let me have a look at what the boys need help with. You both are greatly appreciated and already locked in for next year.

Last but defiantly not least our meticulous manager Amanda Baker who reminds us every week, on what to bring, where to be and at what time. You make my job so much easier by taking care of every detail, everyone in our team knew very quickly to go straight to you when they need to know anything.

I look forward to 2018 and Under 7's rugby. Up the mighty Clovelly Eagles!

U6 WHITE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Darcy Baker	11	21	0	105	20	38	0	190
George Caie	13	2	0	10	13	2	0	10
Henry Callen	13	8	0	40	13	8	0	40
Hugo Cummins	14	18	0	90	24	27	0	135
Louis Cummins	13	2	0	10	13	2	0	10
Angus Hindmarsh	14	9	0	45	14	9	0	45
Charlie Meynell	14	14	0	70	25	17	0	85
Oscar Ward	12	4	0	20	12	4	0	20
Leroy Price	14	5	0	25	14	5	0	25
Arthur Fletcher	13	0	0	0	13	0	0	0
Harry McKeon	7	0	0	0	7	0	0	0

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	9	1	4	0	655	310

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Bays Green	L	25 - 30
2	Bays White	D	30 - 30
3	Bays Red	W	45 - 30
4	Coogee	W	30 - 25
5	Bondi Breakers	W	30 - 10
6	Clovelly Blue	W	40 - 25
7	Bondi Gold	W	30 - 20
8	Clovelly Red	D	35 - 35
9	Clovelly Black	D	15 - 15
10	Maroubra	W	35 - 25
11	East Wallaroos	D	30 - 30
12	Bays Gold	W	25 - 20
13	Bays Blue	W	20 - 10
14	Bays Green	W	20 - 5

Minis Competition U6 RED

Coach: Simon Johnson

Manager: Ben Nixon



BACK: Simon Johnson (Coach), Ben Nixon (Manager)

MIDDLE: Lewis Dawson, Rory Martin, Truman Coyle-Beeche, Jake Boon, George Nixon

FRONT: Douglas Carveth, Archie Marr, Xavier Johnson, Thomas Tindall, Oscar Tindall, Aidan Rowley

ABSENT: Milo Kelly

What a fantastic first season of rugby for the boys in U6 Red. The team had loads of fun playing together and each boy developed well throughout the season.

Team performance was impressive with only one loss to East Bay Gold in the first game of the season, in what was a tight match. Improvement was clear with the team then managing to sneak past East Bay Gold in the last match of the season.

The boys also had a big day on Gala Day, playing with only six players they managed a win, draw and a tight loss. All six boys that played scored fabulous tries. It was a cold but great morning of footy!

Jake Boon was a huge contributor, solid in defence with a good eye for the try line.

Douglas Carveth was again a huge contributor, finding the corner many times throughout the season, and also solid in defence.

Truman Coyle-Beeche was always hungry for the ball with more and more runs with the ball as the season progressed, not to mention key in defence on the corners.

Lewis Dawson always gave everything in training and on the pitch to prove a real team player.

Xavier Johnson won us many a match with some fabulous tries, many a result of his wicked goose step.

Archie Marr developed well this season, solid in defence and always hungry for the ball, resulting in some nice tries in the back half of the season.

Rory Martin was a wonderful all-rounder with a good pass, step and determined tackle.

George Nixon has developed well, huge in defence and a determined ball carrier. We say good-bye to George as he remains in U6 next season.

Aidan Rowley has also developed well this season and always tried hard both in defence and with the ball. He scored a fabulous try up the right wing on Gala Day.

Thomas Tindall ran hard with the ball and he was a great disrupter in the opposition backline.

Oscar Tindall ran some great angles with the ball in hand that resulted in some great tries across the season.

To all the parents and supporters, thank you for all your efforts and contributions to the U6 Reds this year. It has been a pleasure to be part of such a great group and watch the boys develop.

U6 RED Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Jake Boon	11	9	0	45	11	9	0	45
Douglas Carveth	12	7	0	35	12	7	0	35
Truman Coyle-Beeche	12	3	0	15	12	3	0	15
Lewis Dawson	14	2	0	10	14	2	0	10
Xavier Johnson	14	35	0	175	14	35	0	175
Archie Marr	14	11	0	55	14	11	0	55
Rory Martin	12	4	0	20	12	4	0	20
George Nixon	13	2	0	10	13	2	0	10
Aiden Rowley	13	0	0	0	13	0	0	0
Thomas Tindall	11	1	0	5	11	1	0	5
Oscar Tindall	11	6	0	30	11	6	0	30

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
13	9	1	3	0	400	315

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	East Bay Blue	L	20-25
2	East Bay Green	D	35-35
3	East Bay White	W	25-15
4	East Bay Red	W	35-15
5	Coogee Seahorses	W	40-25
6	Bondi Breakers Red	W	45-40
7	Clovelly Eagles Blue	W	35-25
8	Clovelly Eagles White	D	35-35
9	Bondi Breakers Gold	W	30-20
10	Clovelly Eagles Black	D	25-25
11	Maroubra Missiles	W	30-25
12	East Wallaroos	BYE	-
13	East bay Gold	W	25-15
14	East Bay Blue	W	20-15

Minis Competition U6 BLACK

Coach: Tim Henry

Assistant Coach: Scott Doble

Manager: Steph Doble



BACK: Scott Doble (Assistant Coach), Tim Henry (Coach)

MIDDLE: Charles Sone, Harrison Richards, Harry Delaney, Charles Henry

FRONT: Thomas Rouse, James Robinson, Jackson Macaskill, Hugo Doble, James Fanning

ABSENT: Steph Doble (Manager)

Congratulations to the boys on a fantastic start to their rugby careers. When Scott said back in April that we'd see a huge improvement in the standard by the end of the season, he wasn't wrong.

We scored 88 tries and conceded 72. Played 14: Won 7, Drew 6 and lost 1 game.

I love rugby because it's a team game, and it has been great seeing how supportive all the boys have been of one another with plenty of post-try celebrations. But importantly rugby is much more than just about who has scored the most tries. Each role is important, which is a difficult concept to appreciate when you're only 5 or 6. I've been impressed with the team's defence with us often holding out teams for long periods. In our last game of the season, the ref told the team how impressed he was in this department.

They've been a close-knit group who certainly have a thirst for winning! They would all ask for, or tell me, the score at regular periods of the game. With the exception of the odd week, everyone was always there for training and made almost every single game. Thanks to the parents for ensuring this was possible and not letting the rest of their mates down – important 'rugby life skills'!

Charlie Sone had a great season; congratulations on the Best & Fairest Award. Charlie went about his business like a pro, scoring a heap of tries and even when he wasn't well enough to play he came down to support his mates. Big rugby career ahead.

Charlie Henry - well done on receiving the Most Improved Award. It has been very enjoyable to watch his solid defence. He is also a great support player, often being the first one to arrive in attack, even if there were some elements of NFL shepherding in

his tactics!

Jamie Robinson - despite being unable to understand a word he says with his mouthguard in (!!), he really took on board advice at training and made some fine daring runs on game days. He is particularly strong at off-loading the ball quickly once tagged.

Harry Richards was ferocious in defence, regularly making good tags. He also gets top marks for being the best listener at training, making the life of his coaches that little bit easier!

Harry Delaney has a big rugby future ahead. Top try scorer, lightning fast and with a mean side step, he had an exceptional season. Just needs to work on channelling that competitiveness!

Hugo Doble was another who significantly improved throughout the season. When he put his mind to it, tucked the ball under his arm and pinned his ears back he scored some great tries in the corners.

James Fanning had a great season. Very enthusiastic in his approach at training and scored some good tries. He also has a mean side step!

Tom Rouse has really improved these past months, in particular with his running up with the ball. Runs a great straight line; hard and true.

Jackson MacAskill was another of our top scorers; he's very fast and made some great breaks. He had really come on in his direct, straight running by the end of the season.

U6 BLACK Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Harry Delaney	14	29	0	145	14	29	0	145
Hugo Doble	14	2	0	10	27	3	0	15
James Fanning	13	5	0	25	13	5	0	25
Charlie Henry	14	7	0	35	14	7	0	35
Jackson MacAskill	14	15	0	75	14	15	0	75
Harry Richards	12	1	0	5	12	1	0	5
Jamie Robinson	13	4	0	20	13	4	0	20
Thomas Rouse	13	0	0	0	13	0	0	0
Charlie Sone	13	25	0	125	13	25	0	125

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	7	1	6	0	440	360

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Easts Bays Gold	Draw	30 – 30
2	Easts Bays Blue	Draw	35 – 35
3	Easts Bays Green	Draw	25 – 25
4	Easts Bays White	Won	35 – 30
5	Easts Bays Red	Won	40 – 30
6	Coogee Seahorses	Won	55 – 40
7	Bondi Breakers Red	Won	40 – 20
8	Clovelly Eagles Blue	Draw	35 – 35
9	Clovelly Eagles White	Won	20 – 15
10	Clovelly Eagles Red	Draw	25 – 25
11	Bondi Breakers Gold	Won	30 – 10
12	Maroubra Missiles	Draw	20 – 20
13	Easts Wallaroos	Lost	20 – 25
14	Easts Bays Gold	Won	30 – 20

Minis Competition U7 BLUE

Coaches: Jack Singleton & Eoin Grant

Manager: Anthony Coburn



BACK: Anthony Coburn (Manager), Jack Singleton (Coach), Eoin Grant (Coach)

MIDDLE: Billy Singleton, Morgan Sharma, Connor Grant

FRONT: Issac Makim, Duke Thomas, Harvey Coburn, Hamilton Van As, Barnaby Sinfield

ABSENT: Oliver Harwood

2017 was a fantastic season for all the boys with many highlights and improvements across the board.

Our first opponents were Bays (White) and after a sluggish start we managed to sneak a 2 all draw – both tries to Oliver starting off where he finished the 2016 season.

Second round saw Bays (Reds) go down 5 – 3 to record our first win for the season with Oliver once again scoring a try and Harvey opening the seasons account with 4 tries.

The third round brought another win, this time against Coogee (White) 10 – 8 with multiple try scorers including Isacc, Harvey and Hamilton with one each, two each for Duke and Morgan and three for Oliver.

Rounds 4, 5 and 6 were all draws as the referees grappled with awarding turnovers and the games saw tit for tat tries. The three games saw tries to Isaac (1), Connor (1), Barney (1), Morgan (1), Duke (1) Hamilton (2), Ollie (5) and Harvey (8).

Round 7 was the boys first loss of the year, up against the talented Clovelly (Red) outfit going down in a close one 3 – 4. A try to Hammo on the wing and two for Harvey.

Round 8 and 9 saw the boys back in winning territory against South Coogee

and Maroubra, 7-6 and 10 -2. Tries to Connor (1), Bill (1), Morgan (2), Duke (2), Harvey (3), Hammo (4) and Ollie (4).

After what seemed a month off with a bye and school holidays the boys returned in round 11 and walked away with a 8 all draw against Bays (Gold) with Hammo, Duke and Harvey scoring a try and a bag to Ollie (5).

Rounds 12, 13 and 14 were also against Bays teams (Blue, Green then White in the season finally) with the games producing hard fought results – loss (8-10), draw (11-11) then another loss (5-7) with tries to Hammo (1), Barney (1), Connor (1), Duke (3), Oliver (5), Morgan (5), and Harvey (8).

Overall the boys ended up with 5 wins, 6 draws and 3 losses – a fine season indeed. It was great to see all players troubling the scorers and dotting down for tries and sets us up well for 2018 provided we get in some soft sand tackling practice in the off season!

Thanks to Coach Jack and Eoin for their dedication and efforts with not only mid week trainings but also on game day!

Look forward to seeing all the boys back for next season!

Manager Anthony

U7 BLUE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Isaac Makim	12	2	0	10	23	3	0	15
Hamilton Van As	11	10	0	50	22	14	0	70
Barnaby Sinfield	12	2	0	10	23	2	0	10
Oliver Harwood	11	25	0	125	22	64	0	320
Connor Grant	13	3	0	15	25	4	0	20
Billy Singleton	13	1	0	5	26	6	0	30
Morgan Sharma	13	10	0	50	25	11	0	55
Duke Thomas	13	9	0	45	19	9	0	45
Harvey Coburn	13	27	0	135	26	38	0	190

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	5	3	6	0	445	405

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	BAYS WHITE	D	10-10
2	BAYS RED	W	25-15
3	COOGEE WHITE	W	50-40
4	BONDI BREAKERS	D	20-20
5	COOGEE BLACK	D	35-35
6	CLOVELLY WHITE	D	45-45
7	CLOVELLY REDS	L	15-20
8	SOUTH COOGEE	W	35-30
9	MAROUBRA	W	50-10
10	BYE	-	-
11	BAYS GOLD	D	40-40
12	BAYS BLUE	L	40-50
13	BAYS GREEN	D	55-55
14	BAYS WHITE	L	25-35

Minis Competition U7 WHITE

Coaches: John McCallum & Steve Hoiles

Managers: Sarah & Bill Morgan



BACK: McCallum (Coach), Steve Hoiles (Coach), Bill Morgan (Manager)

MIDDLE: Hugo Murphy, Henry Walker, Jack Macallum

FRONT: Jack Stuart, Anderson Katsiotis, Patrick Morgan, Archie Hoiles

ABSENT: Raphael Winterburn, Cash Parry

Andy 'Lightning' Cassio: The team's top scorer on 20 is a worthy golden boot winner. His ability to arch round the backs and burst down the line was a constant this season. Blessed with pace and a great attitude Andy is bound to go far, especially as no one can catch him.

'Hurricane' Hugo Murphy: 10 tries this year from the flyer with Irish blood coursing through his veins. He's made a great contribution to the team and always been a go to player when we were in a tight spot. Leads by example and great to be around.

Henry 'the bullet' Walker: Henry has to be the most determined player on the park week in, week out. His enthusiasm and ball handling skills have been evident to all. Full of running with a great step and drop of the shoulder that's already left many in his wake. He's had a great season and we're all looking to see how he develops next year.

Cash 'the man' Parry: A great kid with a great heart. Always smiling, always looking for the ball and a tiger in defence. His up front, up the middle, running style will come into its own next season with the move to tackle. So watch out boys Cash 'the man' is on the way!

Archie 'the arrow' Hoiles; A born leader with great athleticism and the ball skills to boot. Scored 9 tries this season, some when the team needed them most. Always looks great distributing the ball and is never shy when comes to

defence. Clearly the hours spent in the back yard with dad are paying off.

Jack 'the missile' McCallum: With 11 tries to his name Jack pushed Andy hard for top scorer. Has great speed and balance with the ball in his hand. Solid in defence and put his body on the line many times. As keen as mustard and a tasty player too.

Jack 'the gent' Stuart: Unlucky not to get most improved player. Has really come on since the start of the season and is always great to watch on the run. His jinking style baffles the opposition and will pay dividends down the line as his confidence grows. A grand lad to have on the team and a favourite amongst the boys.

Raphael 'the ghost' Winterburn: they think they've got him and then.. he's gone! Raphael has a great attitude and an even better step that takes him away from the opposition whenever he hits the afterburners. A popular lad who's integral to the team and one to watch next season.

Paddy 'the Italian tank' Morgan: After spending much of the early season studying ornithology, the rubber hit the road in the second part of the season culminating with a blistering try where Paddy saw the gap and accelerated up threw the gears. Never has a boy grinned so much when getting over the line. From that moment on he couldn't get enough of the ball. A great character in the team, who's looking forward to tackling next season.

U7 WHITE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Henry Walker	12	5	0	25	12	5	0	25
Patrick Morgan	13	1	0	5	13	1	0	5
Archie Hoiles	11	9	0	45	22	19	0	95
Hugo Murphy	12	10	0	50	12	10	0	50
Anderson Cassio	13	20	0	100	13	20	0	100
Jack McCallum	14	11	0	55	14	11	0	55
Jack Stuart	12	0	0	0	24	1	0	5
Cash Parry	11	1	0	5	20	1	0	5
Raphael Winterburn	11	6	0	30	20	15	0	75

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	3	7	4	0	335	360

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	East Bays Greens	L	25-20
2	East Bay Whites	L	15-20
3	East Bay Reds	D	15-15
4	Coogee Bay Seahorses	D	30-30
5	Bondi Breakers	L	15-35
6	Clovelly Blue	W	35-30
7	Coogee Seahorses	L	20-25
8	Clovelly Reds	L	20-35
9	Maroubra	D	35-35
10	South Coogee	W	40-20
11	Maroubra	D	15-15
12	East Bay Gold	W	35-30
13	East Blue	L	20-30
14	East Bay Green	L	15-20

Minis Competition U7 RED

Coach: Abel Straker

Assistant Coach: Jamie McCall

Manager: Michelle McCall



BACK: Abel Straker (Coach), Michelle McCall (Manager)

MIDDLE: Liam Straker, Mattias Cheika, Daniel McCall

FRONT: Jed O'Donovan, Carlo Francis, Roan Cobbe, Riley Carr

ABSENT: Theodore Galtier, Thomas Nobre Rance

With only one change in the roster from the previous season the boys all knew each other, got along (mostly . . .) and really looked after each other on and off the field. They trained really hard throughout the year and it's been a pleasure watching their skills come together. There is no bigger compliment as a coach at this level than to try and teach a concept at training and then see the boys understand it and apply it during a game. I think this goes to show there is a huge amount of natural talent in the team and a willingness to learn! From the silky side-steps of Riley, to the dummies and distribution from Jed, in-and-aways from T, and some straight up pace from Daniel! However what I've also really enjoyed is watching the boys who are confident and natural rugby players, both have the patients, and sportsmanship to encourage and help out those in the team who are still building their confidence. Players like Carlo, who made a big effort in defence and supported the ball carrier constantly. Roan who also really started to get involved especially on defence as well as enjoying the times with ball in hand. Liam has also gained a lot of confidence in defence but also found a knack for being in the right place, scoring several times from team mates offloads. Thomas came close to scoring a number of times and worked hard on defence.

In fact it seemed like they had to work extra hard on defence all season but I think this was because they became so good at it! Several times I thought Teddy was going to cut someone in half with the speed and accuracy he

came out of line, only to slow up and make a perfect tag . . . (bring on tackle next year) Jed probably made more tackles than anyone constantly moving up and getting back on side. While T and Liam started to work in tandem making sure no one got past them. All in all their defensive line was amazing! At times frustrating for them as they weren't getting a chance to have a run . . . And they were all so keen to have a run with the ball!

When they did get a chance with the ball there were some brilliant individual tries. As well as some amazing team efforts. On several occasions there were three or four passes strung together before a try was scored!

They have been a great bunch of kids to work with and they have really looked after each other on and off the field. Several times I have been impressed with the compassion shown amongst each other, especially from Carlo and Daniel who always made an effort to check that their team mates were ok, whether they were hurt or upset. On top of this I was happy to receive several comments from other coaches during the year on the boy's skills and sportsmanship.

Lastly a massive thankyou to all the parents for coming along and supporting the boys and keeping it positive! And special thanks also to Michelle and Jamie who have been amazing with the team management and helping me wrangle the cats on Monday afternoons!!

U7 RED Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Thomas Nobre Rance	9	0	0	0	27	1	0	5
Roan Cobb	10	0	0	0	21	0	0	0
Jed O'Donovan	12	18	0	90	35	53	0	265
Mattias Cheika	13	25	0	125	36	45	0	225
Liam Straker	13	14	0	70	38	24	0	120
Theodore Galtier	8	4	0	20	27	16	0	80
Daniel McCall	12	14	0	70	25	25	0	125
Riley Carr	12	16	0	80	22	26	0	130
Carlo Francis	9	0	0	0	21	0	0	0

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
13	12	0	1	0	455	245

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Bays Blues	W	25- 0
2	Bays Greens	W	20-15
3	Bays White	W	35-15
4	Bays Red	W	15- 5
5	Coogee White	W	30- 5
6	Bondi Breakers	W	35-25
7	Clovelly Blue	W	20-15
8	Clovelly White	W	40-20
9	Coogee Black	W	45- 5
10	South Coogee	W	45-25
11	Maroubra Missiles	W	55-30
12	BYE	-	-
13	Bays Gold	W	50-45
14	Bays Blues	D	40-40

Minis Competition U8 BLUE

Coaches: Oliver Brown, Andy Donaldson & Jono Delaney
Best Forward: Patrick Palmer Best Back: Sonny Taylor

Manager: Karen Privat
Most Improved: Avey Sedgers



BACK: Jono Delaney (Coach), Oliver Brown (Coach), Karen Privat (Manager)
MIDDLE: Charlie Appleton, Luke Brown, Ben Wright, Harry Middleton, Tom Delaney
FRONT: Dylan Sperring, Sonny Taylor, Avey Sedgers, Sullivan Dominy
ABSENT: Andy Donaldson (Coach), Wilfred Donaldson, Patrick Palmer

Who among the spectators didn't find themselves this season somewhat surprised at watching passages of play that were every bit 'real rugby'? Under 6s was unitiesque touch and under 7s was unitiesque league; this year was rugby union. The ball being passed in an actual backline; boys stepping, looking for gaps and support, retaining the ball through a few phases before crossing the line. Meanwhile, on the back foot, contesting the ball and holding firm both with line defence and increasingly impressive cover.

Sure, there were ample moments at Nagle of what one ought to expect of a field of seven year olds chaotically wrestling for a ball; and moments when crazy blew in on the wind at Burrows. But through it all, this has very much been a season of collective and individual improvements. We put it down to their sheer enjoyment of the game; the better the rugby, the more fun it is, and they are certainly up for that. We could only give one 'most improved' award, but all the boys were contenders. Here's why:

- Tom. Really settling into a rounded game applied to both attack and defence. For a running backline play, get Tom, put him anywhere from half to wing and you're halfway there.
- Wilfred. Hugely improved. As if in response to last year's prediction that he would be become a scrappy fast hooker, he suddenly appeared as such in the middle of the season, in the thick of it, hungry for the ball.
- Ben. He's Benny Wright and this year he was even more of it. Offloading for Sullivan's birthday try was a season highlight and is an example of the sort of team spirit which, on top of hard work and natural skill, has him nominated for the Chris Whittaker Award.

- Harry. Another huge improver; climbing in the try-scoring ranks while increasingly holding down staunch cover defence duties at fullback.
- Sullivan. Willing support and enthusiasm right in the middle of the field – you simply have to have it. And we do; it is often called Sully.
- Patrick. Remembering that these boys hadn't played contested breakdowns before this season – now look at him, driving with all the grunt that has gotten him the 'best forward' award.
- Charlie. Another surprise contender, coming completely fresh into his debut season, and learning the ropes well.
- Sonny. Although racking up a dazzling early season run of tries with rampant pickpocketry and speed, his real achievement this year has been complementing that game with everything else; the support play at the breakdown, passing and some great try-saving defence.
- Dylan. He has redoubled his indomitable pocket rocket hunger for the ball and enthusiasm for then for doing his very best to make it count.
- Avey. How do you improve at any sport? Enthusiasm and enjoyment in it breeding confidence generally goes a long a way – and it has for Avey.
- Luke. With some sheer mass that has yet to be fully tapped, Luke is getting closer to the version of game where some size in the forwards matters.

This season has been another joy to be involved in, for all four if us on the coaching and managing team; and, we are confident, for all eleven boys.

U8 BLUE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Tom Delaney	14	18	0	90	38	45	0	225
Wilfred Donaldson	13	1	0	5	36	2	0	10
Ben Wright	12	51	0	255	48	118	0	590
Harry Middleton	13	31	0	155	38	45	0	225
Sullivan Dominy	14	5	0	25	48	12	0	60
Patrick Palmer	13	9	0	45	26	13	0	65
Charlie Appleton	12	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
Sonny Taylor	13	71	0	355	48	151	0	755
Dylan Sperring	12	7	0	35	36	17	0	85
Avey Sedgers	12	5	0	25	28	6	0	30
Luke Brown	13	0	0	0	38	0	0	0

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	13	1	0	0	970	345

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	South Coogee	W	45-30
2	Coogee Seahorses White	L	40-60
3	Bondi Breakers	W	80-25
4	South Coogee	W	50-35
5	Clovelly Eagles White	W	60-35
6	East Wallaroos Red	W	90-25
7	Clovelly Eagles Red	W	100-15
8	Bays Blue	W	95-15
9	East Wallaroos White	W	70-30
10	Coogee Seahorses White	W	115-10
11	Coogee Seahorses Black	W	60-10
12	Clovelly Eagles Red	W	50-10
13	Clovelly Eagles Black	W	50-20
14	East Wallaroos Red	W	65-25

Minis Competition U8 WHITE

Coach: Morgan Clifton

Assistant Coach: Matt Rudd

Manager: Gavin Shepherd

Best Forward: Ronan Shepherd

Best Back: Lewis Leyland

Most Improved: Edward Rudd



BACK: Gavin Shepherd (Manager), Morgan Clifton (Coach), Matt Rudd (Assistant Coach)

MIDDLE: Ronan Shepherd, Will Goodall, Xavier Le Lievre, Luca Nobre Rance, Lewis Leyland

FRONT: Archie Bowcock, Edward Rudd, Angus Blight, Kelly Clifton, William Lyons

ABSENT: Aiden Harris

Naturally physical, the Mighty Whites were unleashed after two years of tag. They loved it, no more shouts of "tag, stop, come back" just "run straight, don't stop, push him over"! We were playing real running rugby now and winning. A lot. Team work and team spirit was how they did it. Whether working together at the ruck or scoring from a "truck and trailer" set piece, the kids supported each other and were always there for their mates. Hugely entertaining for the parents to watch and a great season all round. Here are some of the stars;

Angus: We were supposed to share the halfback position around. No way! This kids the real deal. Sneaky tries, quick offloads and high, oops, I mean hard tackles. Mouth almost as big as his heart.

Archie: Stepped up to tackle and dropped the shoulder on the opposition. But always with a smile on his face! Great work rate around the ruck and would get the team spirit award if we had one.

Kelly: "Surprise I ran right over you and your mates to score that try". Don't let the blonde hair fool you as she is one of our best backs and toughest players to stop when attacking the line. Great tackling too.

Will G: Mr Stiff Arm, most entertaining tries of the year. Only knows one way to run; straight down the sideline and straight over whoever gets in the way! Great work all year at the rucks.

Aiden: The little general at the lineout. Knows his rugby well and is always in at the ruck pushing us over for tries or pushing their players out over the sideline.

Xavier: Already a star, he built on his rugby skills this year. Reads the opposition like a book, showing 'em the sideline, stripping the ball and scoring tries at will. Great game

awareness.

Lewis: Best back, combined the top try tally with flying cover tackles and relentless defence. I got tired just watching. And so did the other teams' coaches!

Will L: From zero rugby to hero rugby. 1st year out and learned fast. Naturally quick and straight running he scored his tries front on. Tackling and rucking in a big way now.

Luca: Big hits, big runs and big effort all game, every game. Worth two players in defence as he tackles all day long looking for that ball. Gets it over the line almost as often too.

Edward: Most improved, could already score tries and read the game but stepped it up in defence, big time. Tackling around the boot laces consistently, knows when to come into the ruck and when to cover his wing. A real asset in the back line.

Ronan: Best Forward, Started out as a back but just does too much damage at the ruck. Cleaning or pushing out players and then running straight over them when he gets that ball.

A big part of our success this year was that the team, players and parents, came together as a group. I think we owe a lot of this to our ever passionate manager Gavin and also to Matt who stepped up as assistant coach. Thank you and thank you also to the parents for setting such a good sideline example for the kids.

Coach Morgan

U8 WHITE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Angus Blight	12	16	0	80	23	21	0	105
Archie Bowcock	9	1	0	5	30	5	0	25
Kelly Clifton	13	7	0	35	38	16	0	80
Will Goodall	13	10	0	50	37	18	0	90
Aiden Harris	9	1	0	5	9	1	0	5
Xavier LeLievre	13	27	0	135	24	47	0	235
Lewis Leyland	12	31	0	155	24	49	0	245
William Lyons	12	5	0	25	12	5	0	25
Luca Nobre rance	10	10	0	50	34	18	0	90
Edward Rudd	12	7	0	35	34	16	0	80
Ronan Shepherd	12	7	0	35	25	20	0	100

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
13	10	2	1	0	610	380

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Easts Wallaroos Red	W	65-30
2	Clovelly Eagles Black	W	65-25
3	Coogee Seahorses White	D	40-40
4	Bondi Breakers	W	50-40
5	Clovelly Eagles Blue	L	40-60
6	Clovelly Eagles Red	W	50-10
7	Bye	-	-
8	Bays Gold	L	15-60
9	Bays White	W	30-25
10	Easts Wallaroos White	W	55-15
11	Maroubra Missiles Black	W	50-25
12	Bondi Brats	W	50-20
13	Bays Green	W	35-30
14	Bays Black	W	50-25

Minis Competition U8 RED

Coaches: Dugald Marr & Harry Preston

Manager: Al Baxter

Best Forward: Henry Baxter

Best Back: Harrison Nixon

Most Improved: Finn Byrne



BACK: Harry Preston (Coach), Alastair Baxter (Manager), Dugald Marr (Coach)

MIDDLE: Finlay Byrne, Tom Perry, Harrison Nixon, Fred Preston, Hamish Marr

FRONT: Henry Baxter, Joe Hatton, Tamati Firth, Leo Delmar, Auguste Gibson

It was another fantastic season for the U8 Reds with a wonderful group of kids who enjoyed stepping up to tackle and showed great improvement across the board.

Henry Baxter – Devastating when fired up with truly demolishing tackles and strong runs.

Finn Byrne – One of this year's great improvers, a born forward with one of the best palms in the business. A go to man when the team needs to go forward.

Leo Delmar – Another one of this year's improvers with some great involvements and a new found focus and determination.

Tamati Firth – Another born forward, hard on the ball, great in the rucks and mulls with superb low body height in contact.

Hamish Marr – One of the most passionate and hardworking players in the team, a determined runner and tenacious defender.

Fred Preston – A born winger with blistering speed who scored some magnificent tries but most pleasing was the improvement in his defence this year with some fantastic cover tackles late in the season.

Harrison Nixon – Another passionate player with wonderful attack and

defence but also added some great offloads to his game. Loved to look for contact wherever possible!

Tom Perry – a strategic player who knows when to come in and when to stay out. Scored some wonderful tries out wide with the makings of a handy fullback!

Joe Hatton – an elusive runner of the ball with a great step off either foot and loved to get his head into rucks and hands on the ball.

August Gibson – another play who really hit his straps this year playing some fantastic rugby. A hard runner and aggressive defender who always looked for work.

To the coaches, thank you for your dedication and hard work this year – all the boys seem to love playing and this is in no small part because of what you guys do each week. To all the parents, grandparents and supporters thank you for your efforts and contributions this year as once again it has been a pleasure to have been part of such a group!

U8 RED Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Henry Baxter	11	33	0	165	47	96	0	480
Finn Byrne	12	4	0	20	32	8	0	40
Leo Delmar	11	1	0	5	31	7	0	35
Tamati Firth	12	1	0	5	33	6	0	30
Hamish Marr	12	4	0	20	35	17	0	85
Fred Preston	12	16	0	80	34	32	0	160
Harrison Nixon	13	37	0	185	25	65	0	325
Tom Perry	13	3	0	15	25	5	0	25
Joe Hatton	12	8	0	40	24	22	0	110
Auguste Gibson	10	13	0	65	21	21	0	105

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
13	7	6	0	0	590	575

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Clovelly Black	L	35-45
2	East Wallaroos Red	W	60-20
3	East Wallaroos Red	W	80-30
4	Coogee Seahorses White	W	45-35
5	Bondi Breakers	W	65-40
6	Clovelly Whites	L	10-50
7	Clovelly Blues	L	15-95
8	Bays Red	L	30-60
9	Coogee White	L	20-40
10	Coogee Black	W	90-50
11	East Wallaroos Blue	W	70-35
12	Clovelly Blues	L	10-45
13	Bye	-	-
14	Clovelly Black	W	60-30

Minis Competition U8 BLACK

Coach: Chris James & Chris Radburn

Managers: Chris Radburn & Chris James

Best Forward: Henry McAusland

Best Back: Bodhi Evans

Most Improved: Henry Peagam



BACK: Chris James (Coach)

MIDDLE: Henry Peagam, Ben Richards, Sam Radburn, Kingston Law

FRONT: Bodhi Evans, Hudson James, Harrison Wood, Owen Storie

ABSENT: Chris Radburn (Manager), Henry McAusland

The U8 Blacks were introduced to tackling for the first time in their rugby careers after a very successful season last year. For most of our boys it was a completely new learning experience but they certainly grew in confidence and stature as the season progressed. We had a wonderful season and they were successful in many of our games, but what stood out the most was the effort and determination.

All of our team really had a crack this year and as a coach, win lose or draw, all you can ask for is 110% effort. I am super proud of the boys and congratulations to each and every one of you.

Henry P played rugby for the first time this season and did extremely well. Every game he grew with confidence and congratulations on winning the most improved player for the season.

Henry McAusland was an "animal" in collision and at the breakdown. He often came up against boys twice his size and he showed real determination and plenty of courage. Congratulations Henry on winning the Best Forward Award. Harrison Wood was another big improver throughout the season. Harrison loved his footy and developed confidence in tackling and speed as the season progressed. Kingston Law was a valued team member scoring eight tries for the season. Kingston would often score at the restart with his pace and started to develop his tackling during the progression of the season. Big Ben R was nicknamed the brick wall!!! He often took down the

opposition, defended well and ran hard. Every time I asked Ben to number up he was there. Owen Storie was another big improver throughout the season. He had some excellent side line runs and towards the end of season made some wonderful tackles. His last game of the year at the gala day was a standout! Bodhi was awarded our Best Back and scored plenty of points. His new found speed and solid defense made him a deserved winner. Hudson James had another big season and was our top try scorer with 55 tries. Hudson showed wonderful stepping and swerving ability and loved playing with his mates. Sam also had another cracking season scoring 17 tries using his awesome sidestep often turning opposition players inside out. Sam was always rummaging for the ball and often secured the ball for the team – this was a real highlight in Sam's game.

Congratulations to all the boys for another epic season !

"Win if Can, Lose if you must, But NEVER QUIT" Michael Jordan

Coach

Chris James

U8 BLACK Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Sam Radburn	13	17	0	85	26	46	0	230
Hudson James	12	54	9	270	24	89	0	445
Bodhi Evans	11	30	0	150	23	33	0	165
Owen Storie	12	0	0	0	24	0	0	0
Ben Richards	11	0	0	0	22	2	0	10
Kingston Law	14	8	0	40	27	17	0	85
Harrison Wood	14	5	0	25	26	5	0	25
Henry McAusland	11	2	0	10	11	2	0	10
Henry Peagan	14	7	0	35	14	7	0	35
Nicky	2	2	0	10	2	2	0	10
Ned Read	1	3	0	15	1	3	0	15
Harry	1	2	0	10	1	2	0	10

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	7	6	1	0	650	585

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Clovelly Eagles Red	W	45 - 35
2	Clovelly Eagles White	L	30 - 60
3	South Coogee	L	40 - 45
4	East Wallaroes Red	W	65 - 15
5	East Wallaroes White	W	75 - 35
6	Bays Black	L	50 - 55
7	Bondi Breakers	W	70 - 35
8	Maroubra Missiles Red	W	50 - 25
9	East Wallaroes Blue	W	70 - 35
10	Bays Red	L	15 - 70
11	Coogee Seahorses White	W	45 - 40
12	Coogee Seahorses Black	D	50 - 50
13	Clovelly Eagles Blues	L	20 - 50
14	Clovelly Eagles Red	L	25 - 50

Minis Competition U9 BLUE

Coach: Ryan Carr

Assistant Coach: Tasman Tanner

Manager: Mary-Anne Tanner

Best Forward: Symon Cheika

Best Back: Charlie Tanner

Most Improved: Asher Dowd



BACK: Tasman Tanner (Coach), Ryan Carr (Coach), Mary-Anne Tanner (Manager)

MIDDLE: Jack Towner, Orlando De Torres, Charlie Grant, Luca Francis, Jarrah Carr, Symon Cheika

FRONT: Eamon Jeffs, Will Markham, Asher Dowd, Charlie Tanner, Will Wenderoth

ABSENT: Lucas Platt

Well done to the u9 Blues on another fantastic year.

Backing up from the Mini's team that scored the most points last year was going to be tough, but some strategic acquisitions in the off-season in the shape of hard running big man, Eamon Jeffs, and two slick backs of Asher Dowd and Will "Gary" Markham saw the u9 Blues really develop in their understanding of their roles in a rugby team and the importance of playing as a team. Sure we had some players that scored more tries than others, but the goal was always to play as a team and I am very pleased to say that 2017 was a real break-through year and undoubtedly the boys learned to play as a team and enjoy the success that came with it. This was illustrated by the fact we had 9 different try scorers, and 5 of those got to double figures.

Symon Cheika was a real leader in the forwards, strong in the ruck securing many turn-overs and always ready to take on the opposition in both attack and defence.

Jarrah Carr was the perfect halfback. Quick to clear the ball from the breakdown and service his backs, and the most fearless defender in the team, often bringing down players more than twice his size.

Asher Dowd was new to rugby but proved his speed and strength were more than up to the task. Slotted in at inside centre and scored a pile of tries.

Orlando De Torres backed up his most improved from last year with another fantastic year. His strength often had much bigger opponents wondering how to shake him off, and both his defence and ball running went to a whole new level.

Luca Francis was our captain in the forwards and guided the pack around the park. Luca improved every facet of his game this year, was in everything and really looked to be enjoying his footie.

Charlie Grant once again was fantastic, his attack has always been good but his work in the ruck was amazing, often earning turn-overs from the opposition. His defence was also first class with great line-speed shutting down many opposition attacks.

Eamon Jeffs picked up the running/attack part of the game quickly and used his size and speed to his advantage. His defence continued to improve throughout the year and by the last few games he really started to make his presence felt.

Will Markham (Gary) was the joker of the team, always having the boys laughing. He did back it up with some fantastic attack and defence and was an important part of a great little backline.

Charlie Tanner set a high standard for the team, his speed and power was used well in attack and he backed it up with some powerful defence. He assumed control of the backline midway through the year and was a big part of transforming the boys into a team that played for each other.

Jack Towner found himself in the forwards and really grasped his role, getting involved in rucks and mauls and always willing to have a run. Showed his toughness to bounce back from some big hits throughout the year,

Will Wenderoth was another to come on in leaps and bounds. his work at the breakdown, securing the ball for the team, and his strength to hold the ball in tough situations was amazing. Also made some big runs close to the line, without fear he charged into much bigger opponents.

Special thanks to the dad's that helped with training and for Maryanne's organisation for game day.

U9 BLUE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Jarra Carr	14	1	0	5	26	15	0	75
Symon Cheika	14	16	0	80	60	51	0	255
Orlando De Torres	12	3	0	15	47	10	0	50
Asher Dowd	15	18	0	90	15	18	0	90
Luca Francis	13	0	0	0	35	4	0	20
Charlie Grant	13	22	0	110	51	100	0	500
Eamon Jeffs	14	6	0	30	14	6	0	30
Will Markham	10	10	0	50	10	10	0	50
Lucas Platt	13	2	0	10	40	14	0	70
Charlie Tanner	16	41	0	205	69	167	0	835
Jack Towner	14	0	0	0	26	1	0	5
Will Wenderoth	13	0	0	0	61	3	0	15

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	7	4	3	0	570	320

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Coogee Black	L	10-20
2	Clovelly Black	L	25-30
3	Maroubra	W	35-25
4	Coogee White	W	40-10
5	East Bay Blue	D	20-20
6	East Bay Black	D	15-15
7	East Bay White	L	30-40
8	East Bay Red	W	80-10
9	East Bay Red	W	100-20
10	East Bay Green	W	55-15
11	South Coogee	D	25-25
12	East Bay Gold	L	25-35
13	Clovelly White	W	35-15
14	Clovelly Red	W	75-40

Minis Competition U9 WHITE

Coach: Bruce Jones

Assistant Coach: Eoin Grant

Manager: Tanya McDonald

Best Forward: Miles Christofi

Best Back: Taj Morison

Most Improved: Zain Rashid



BACK: Eoin Grant (Coach), Tanya McDonald (Manager), Bruce Jones (Coach)

MIDDLE: Charlie Neate, Dylan Christofi, James Grant, Archer Love, James McDonald, Miles Christofi

FRONT: Zain Rashid, Carrig Jones, Harry Rowden, Taj Morrison, Nicholas Rowley, Felix Moyes

Congratulations to all the boys for a thoroughly enjoyable season of rugby and special thanks for the fantastic support of their families. Our thanks also to the three other under 9 Clovelly teams, their coaches, managers and families for the exceptional spirit & sportsmanship this season.

Our squad for 2017 consisted of:

Archer – Backrow. His clean outs became his trademark & when he joins the ruck or maul it changes the game. He also possesses a good physical running game and made many runs into the opponent's territory.

Carrig – Hooker. Clocking up over 50 games for the club this year the "Pig" has shown great improvement over the years. His direct running and ball retention skills from the restarts always placed the team in an attacking position that would often lead to tries.

Charlie – Utility back. A new and welcome addition to the squad this season and a natural talented rugby player. Not scared to tackle the big guys and possess a great step and good speed. 100% effort is all he knows.

Dylan – Backrow. In his second year of rugby developed into one of the team's consistent performers. Always close to the action and made ground every time he touched the ball. His tackling improved during the year and always up for the physical challenge.

Felix – Wing. Tested himself and showed that he was up to playing one of the toughest sports. As the season progressed he became more involved in the play and his ability to make the pass at the right time often led to his team mates tries.

Harry – Prop/Wing. Played prop in the set pieces but more at home out wider where

his "show & go" often fooled the opposition. A fast improver at the end of the season and will go even better next year.

Jamie – Prop. Tough and uncompromising style of player, loves to be in the middle of the action and displayed exceptional skills at the clean outs to win back the oppositions ball. His running with the ball straightened as the year progressed and laid the platform for many attacks.

Jimmy – Centre / wing. Another 50 + player for the club. Plays a complete all round game of rugby, makes the tackles and knows where and when to find the try line. A solid performer and a favourite amongst his team mates for his endless spirit and courage

Miles – Backrow. Also into his second year of rugby and improved immensely. Always on the move looking for the ball and knows how to find the tryline. One of the team's best defenders and seemed to enjoy taking on the biggest players.

Nick – Utility. In his first season of rugby and a quick learner. A good team man who played in the forwards or the backs. Never afraid to take on the opposition head on and improved his tackling skills.

Taj – #10 . Captain and a natural leader with talent to burn. His tackling and especially cover defence was up with the best in the competition. In attack he was the team's #1 weapon and left many an opponent wondering where he had gone to with stepping of both feet.

Zain – Half back. A natural in his position. Stuck to the back of the rucks & mauls and provided a great link to his backs. Not afraid to tackle and loves to make the odd dart from the base.

U9 WHITE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Charlie Neate	13	5	0	25	13	5	0	25
Nicholas Rowley	14	0	0	0	14	0	0	0
Carrig Jones	14	1	0	5	65	12	0	60
James Grant	13	2	0	10	47	24	0	120
Felix Moyes	12	0	0	0	24	1	0	5
Dylan Christofi	14	9	0	45	26	13	0	65
Miles Christofi	13	8	0	40	25	14	0	70
Zain Rashid	11	7	0	35	23	11	0	55
James McDonald	11	10	0	50	59	71	0	355
Harry Rowden	13	2	0	10	15	2	0	10
Archer Love	10	4	0	20	21	17	0	85
Taj Morison	12	31	0	155	12	31	0	155

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	6	7	1	0	430	455

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	East's Bays Green	W	30-15
2	East's Bays Black	D	35-35
3	Maroubra Missiles Black	W	50-20
4	South Coogee	L	5-35
5	East's Bays Gold	L	20-25
6	Maroubra Missiles Black	W	70-25
7	East's Bays Blue	W	50-45
8	South Coogee	L	10-65
9	Clovelly Eagles Red	W	50-25
10	East's Bays Red	W	50-35
11	Coogee Seahorses Black	L	15-35
12	Coogee Seahorses White	L	25-35
13	Clovelly Eagles Blue	L	15-35
14	Clovelly Eagles Black	L	5-25

Minis Competition U9 RED

Coach: Matt Vesper

Manager: Clare Sheppard

Best Forward: Harry Jaeger

Best Back: Antonio Pugliese

Most Improved: Ted O'Connell



BACK: Clare Sheppard (Manager), Matt Vesper (Coach)

MIDDLE: Ted O'Connell, Will Sheppard, Harry Jaeger, Max Nearn, Archie Creswick

FRONT: Charles Gardiner, Antonio Pugliese, Kai Towns, Alex Vesper, Tom Hill

ABSENT: Louis Benuska

As one chapter ends, another begins. Our fearless warriors have graduated from Saturday mornings at Nagle and next year step up to serious 12-a-side Friday night rugby. It has taken a couple of years but this year they have proved they are up to it – playing the second half of this season without a coach on the field and notching up a few stirring wins.

As for the year in review, an aggressive off-season recruiting drive saw the mighty Reds bolstered by star signings in Harry, Tom and Louis. Soon the boys lit up Nagle Park with an attractive style of loose, running rugby. Not surprisingly, our games tended to be high scoring. Only problem was that our opposition tended to be high scoring too.

The most satisfying aspect of the year was that the boys matured in their approach to rugby, realising that it is not an individual sport where you simply tuck the ball under your arm and try and run around the opposition. Rather, as the year went on, the boys seemed to get the fact rugby is a team sport, where you work the ball up the field together - either rucking or mauling or through sweet backline moves.

In this regard, I acknowledge the great work by our two fly-halves, Ted and Kai. Once he was relieved of fly-half duties, Ted proved to be a potent ball runner and also, pound-for-pound, the most fearless tackler in the team. For these reasons, Ted is this year's most improved. Kai, not only remaining a brilliant ball-runner, proved a great fly-half – knowing when to pass to a big forward, or to the backs, or judiciously having a dart himself. This kid has a big future.

On the subject of backs, Will remained a solid runner of the ball and a good tackler – stringing together a couple of big hits very reminiscent of Bradley Clyde in his break out year with the Raiders in 1987. Louis too showed he was an absolute speedster and, in full stride, reminded me of his mother doing the hard yards at Goal Attack a la 1984.

Archie remains a great ball-runner. He has learned to straighten up his running and also

looks to link with his outside men. He is a pleasure to coach because of his natural enthusiasm. He capped his year with a call-up to the U9s combined team for the Harbord carnival.

The back who continues to show great poise and elusive running is Antonio. What I love about this kid is he is always trying and paying attention at training. Combined with natural ability, he has a big future. And so Antonio is my back of the year.

The two boys who were like a set of terriers around the park, often first to the breakdown either in attack or defence, were Alex and Max. Controlling a ruck – or regaining the momentum, if we are on the back foot – is the key to being a good flanker, and these two boys have that ability in spades. They both simply don't give up and I love coaching them. One of them just needs to do a few more chores around the house.

Charlie had a great year in terms of tries, occasionally bagging a couple. He is deceptively fast, with a nice swerve. Charlie is also a good tackler, and so I'm not sure whether he is suited more to the backs or forwards; perhaps he can play both - unlike the next two boys, who are pure thoroughbred forwards: Harry and Tom. Tom is a pleasure to have in the team; dependable, keen and skilful. New to rugby, Tom quickly picked up the fine art of rucks and mauls. Plus, with ball in hand, he hits the line hard. He has a big future. As does the other half of the Bruise Brothers, Harry. A product of the fabled Jaeger rugby academy of Queens Park, Harry's got the full suite of skills, including a step, acceleration and a fend that would make a bulldozer jealous. Not able to take a backward step, and never far from a stink, Harry will, I suspect, be the key member of many a footy team in the years ahead. So Harry is my forward of the year.

Finally, thanks to the parents for being such a fun and relaxed bunch, the coaching staff (Tony, Simon and Roman) and our industrious manager, Clare.

U9 RED Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Alex Vesper	13	7	0	35	48	45	0	225
Riley Lashbrooke	5	0	0	0	39	23	0	115
Archie Creswick	14	4	0	20	50	29	0	145
Ted O'Connell	11	11	0	55	46	35	0	175
Max Nearn	13	13	0	65	49	39	0	195
Antonio Pugliese	11	3	0	15	40	44	0	220
Kai Towns	10	17	0	85	23	48	0	240
Louis Benuska	13	4	0	20	13	4	0	20
Charles Gardiner	14	15	0	75	47	22	0	110
Will Sheppard	14	0	0	0	51	2	0	10
Tom Hill	12	2	0	10	12	2	0	10
Harry Jaeger	14	15	0	75	14	15	0	75

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	4	9	1	0	475	665

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Maroubra Missiles Black	L	25-35
2	Easts Bays Blue	L	5-50
3	Easts Bays Green	W	45-15
4	Easts Bays Blue	D	30-30
5	Clovelly Eagles Black	L	20-65
6	Coogee Seahorses Black	L	20-65
7	Coogee Seahorses White	L	30-45
8	Easts Bays Black	L	45-40
9	Clovelly Eagles White	L	25-50
10	Easts Bays Gold	W	45-40
11	Easts Bays Red	W	85-60
12	Maroubra Missiles Red	L	15-50
13	Easts Bays Gold	W	45-40
14	Clovelly Eagles Blue	L	40-80

Minis Competition U9 BLACK

Coach: Peter Tate

Assistant Coach: Heath Donaldson

Manager: Scott Doble

Best Forward: Ned Siemsen

Best Back: Maddox Whitby

Most Improved: Jude Scott



BACK: Peter Tate (Coach), Scott Doble (Manager)

MIDDLE: Ethan Webb, William Tate, Tomaz Pepper, Sebastian Whitby, Lachie Doble, Ned Siemsen, Flynn Robinson

FRONT: Jasper Thomas, Zac Sperring, Scott Jude, Maddox Whitby, Riley Makim, Max Donaldson

ABSENT: Heath Donaldson (Assistant Coach)

The season started with a group of kids thrown together, some were returning Eagles, others were joining the nest, and a few that had never strapped on a rugby boot. The first thing that was recognised was the kids shared a thirst for knowledge entwined with infectious enthusiasm. The key objective from the coaching staff was that we wanted the boys to become better at all aspects of the great game, inclusive of on and off the pitch. A respect for the team, referee, officials, support, opposition and most importantly themselves was paramount in what we feel is best about lacing a boot with your mates.

The Blacks thrived on the pack mentality and it was necessary as we did not have an abundance of speed nor experience, what we did have in spades was desire to back your mates up and never stop trying. Attitude is infectious and after every game the opposition coach would always say 'how do you get them all to do the same thing?'. We would love to say it was good mentoring, but it was each boy showing a respect for the bloke next to him.

The season had some mixed results but never was short of effort. Most gratifying for the coaching staff was to see so much improvement in all the boys.

Lachlan Doble personified the Black mantra. In previous years he lacked a bit of discipline, however, this season he showed tremendous leadership, patience and targeted aggression. Steve Hansen said of a young Richie McCaw that he was all over the shop but had a desire to be the best, Lachlan has these traits.

Once **Bas Whitby** realised that he scored some incredible tries through leg drive but his highlight was "The Tackle" when he cut a boy in two, perfect technique.

Riley Makim was a fearless player. Not overly tall, he played as if he was 6' tall, and you just try to get the ball off him.

Flynn Robinson had some scything runs and collared everyone who came in arm's length.

Zac Sperring was the leader of the defence. A man small in stature but massive of heart, his organisation of our defensive line was first class.

William Tate was very similar to Bas in once he got it right it was very good. A destructive runner and tenacious defender.

The new recruits:

Max Donaldson gave great service from the scrum base and his darts from there would always lead to a try.

Jasper Thomas had more try saving tackles to his credit than the rest of the side combined. He also possesses an attacking game! With an earlier pass he will be something!

Ethan Webb is a big kid and when he uses his frame he is effective. His confidence grew once he got across the

stripe for his first try.

Tommy Pepper had a very tentative start to the season, as to be expected for his first season of rugby, but his skills were obvious, as the season grew so did Tom. By the end of the season he was arguably our most consistent and effective player, we look forward to what he can do in the future.

Special mentions to Zorica and Shane for picking up the pieces that were missed and to the wonderful parents for their ongoing support throughout the season.

To the Award winners, and they are by no means stand outs as it was deliberated over many a cold one. Everyone got a mention due to the teamwork that afforded the Blacks a successful season

Most Improved – Jude Scott He came to rugby not knowing any rules, he just had an attitude of wanting to play and learn the game with his mates. Jude, being very slight, was a bit overawed and at the start of the season he would run backwards, stand offside with people barking directions at him. Not once did the big smile drop and he went about trying to better himself and contribute to the team. Jude scored his first try and it was like he won the World Cup such was his excitement. Next he was picking the ball from the base and making big inroads. But the greatest improvement was defensively, being a tiny fellow he would throw himself at everything and two awesome cover tackles late in the season showed his determination to learn and help out his team.

Best Forward – If there was ever a model of who you would want to have in your team **Ned Siemsen** is that player. Ned never answered back, never took a backward step, never stopped trying, never stopped learning. He has a steely resolve and when the coaches had to hold a pad we would all try to dodge Ned. He has all the makings for a great back rower, his body height is tremendous, is nonstop on the ball and loves the physical stuff. All that and he plays with the upmost respect for the game.

Best Back – Maddox Whitby plays with a passion that is rare in this age group especially given he is not the biggest kid by any means. He is always right by his mates when there was trouble and saved many an issue. He hates losing but always showed sportsmanship and given the amount of tries he scored, he always recognised the work of others to get him over the line. Maddox is a team player and does not shirk any responsibility be it in the middle or out wide, this attitude also led to some spectacular individual tries. Maddox will learn the game more in coming years, in doing so will utilise his skills to assist in developing his team mates. A Talent.

We are very proud of the effort that all and sundry put in to make season 2017 very enjoyable and we wish you every success in the future.

All in all the season started with a group of kids and ended up with fine young men.

The Men of Black

Cheers, The Coaches

U9 BLACK Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Lachlan Doble	14	4	0	20	53	47	0	235
Max Donaldson	12	5	0	25	12	5	0	25
Riley Makim	14	0	0	0	38	0	0	0
Tomaz Pepper	13	12	0	60	13	12	0	60
Flynn Robinson	13	6	0	30	49	48	0	240
Jude Scott	13	1	0	5	13	1	0	5
Ned Siemsen	12	3	0	15	46	9	0	45
Zac Sperring	11	2	0	10	36	9	0	45
William Tate	14	7	0	35	39	27	0	135
Jasper Thomas	14	8	0	40	14	8	0	40
Ethan Webb	9	2	0	10	9	2	0	10
Maddox Whitby	14	23	0	115	39	119	0	595
Sebastian Whitby	14	5	0	25	37	29	0	145

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	8	5	1	0	390	275

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Bays Blue	D	25 - 25
2	Clovelly Blues	W	30 - 25
3	Bays Red	W	70 - 10
4	Bays Gold	W	15 - 10
5	Clovelly Red	W	70 - 15
6	South Coogee	L	0 - 35
7	Coogee Black	L	10 - 60
8	Maroubra Red	L	25 - 20
9	Coogee White	W	20 - 5
10	Bays Black	L	5 - 10
11	Bays Green	W	50 - 10
12	Maroubra Black	W	30 - 15
13	Bays Blue	L	15 - 25
14	Clovelly White	W	30 - 5





Junior Competition U10 BLUE



Coach: Pat Collins

Assistant Coach: Ben Nielson

Manager: Emily Nielson

Best Forward: Callum Bush

Best Back: Jameson Hinds

Most Improved: Angus Nielson



**BACK: Ben Nielson (Coach), Pat Collins (Coach) MIDDLE: Ted O'Connell, Will Sheppard, Harry Jaeger, Max Nearn, Archie Creswick
FRONT: Aston Leslight, Joshua Sprague, Angus Nielson, Max Roche, Callum Bush, Jameson Hinds
ABSENT: Gabrielle Nobre-Rance, Emily Nielson (Manager)**

This year saw the mighty Blues move to the Friday night competition. This meant that we were playing teams from other areas of southern Sydney. It's certainly a step up from U 9s, playing under lights, the field is larger, and the kids are bigger. Our boys were ready and I was pumped up for a big season of footy. Well, it all turned to mud pretty quickly! Within the first few weeks, we had an injury run that was diabolical along with two boys that dropped out of the team. Brooklyn had broken his leg badly, Josh also broke a bone somewhere, and newcomer to the team, Fred also had a leg injury. This put these three boys out for over half the season which was not a great start. Thankfully all three made triumphant returns and showed us what they're made of, the tough stuff!

We switched a few positions this year, particularly in the backline where we moved Max the Axe to halfback. This was a master stroke as Max proved he's got what it takes, often seen badgering the ref on some dodgy calls. Jammo slotted in at flyhalf, a position he owned. He's got a got understanding of the game being able to read the play very well and got us on the front foot almost every time he touched the ball. Orlando moved from halfback to inside centre this season, and showed us he's tough as nails. His defence was equally good as his attack and put his little body on the line without hesitation. Our wingers were Hamo and another newcomer Aston. Our speedsters of the team. There's nothing like the site of a winger in full flight careening for the try line. Both boys scored plenty of meat pies this season.

We rotated our forwards this year but our starting front row comprised of Gabo, Gus and Isaac. All three stepped up this year and by the end of the season were a force to be reckoned with. Gabo unfortunately could not see out the season due to contractual commitments in the UK. We hope to see

him next year. We can't forget Brooklyn moved to prop on his return, a bit of a change from being the star of the backline! Our second rows were Josh and Marius, a most formidable pair. There love for running the ball at the quick tap was awesome. Big Max, another addition to the Blues also added the required grunt to both front row and second row. For a kid who has just come across from that strange game of AFL, he quickly learnt the skills to become force to be reckoned with. Finally our locks were Callum and Morro. Callum, being one of the most destructive forwards at the breakdown, the amount of times he pilfered the ball was uncanny, and Morro, our all rounder, excellent in the forwards but loved a run in the backs well. A breakaway in the making.

With so much disruption throughout the season, it was amazing that we made it to the Plate Grand Final, although only just going down the Clovelly Reds, this is a sure sign that this team has spirit and the never say die attitude.

A big thanks to Emily our manager and Ben my assistant coach. Emily was outstanding at the behind the scenes admin, and Ben was a massive help at training and game day. You made my job easy!

In conclusion, another great season, with another great bunch of parents in one of the great clubs of junior rugby.

I look forward to next year.

Pat Collins

U10 BLUE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Issac Blake	15	0	0	0	34	0	0	0
Angus Nielson	16	0	0	0	64	15	0	75
Gabriel Nobre-Rance	11	0	0	0	57	0	0	0
Brooklyn Heath	6	2	0	10	77	198	0	990
Marius Thomas	15	1	1	7	49	38	1	192
Joshua Sprague	5	1	0	5	27	18	0	90
Jameson Hinds	16	5	15	55	29	11	15	85
Orlando Collins	15	6	5	40	64	63	5	325
Angus Morrison	16	0	1	2	65	55	1	277
Fred Carmody	10	1	2	9	10	1	2	9
Hamish Witten	15	20	0	100	28	35	0	175
Max Roche	16	7	1	37	23	11	1	57
Aston Leslight	15	6	1	32	15	6	1	32
Max Katsiotis	16	0	0	0	16	0	0	0
Callum Brady	15	3	0	15	38	28	0	140
Luke Glaken-Tonnet	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
Oliver Harris	4	0	0	0	33	2	0	10

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
16	7	9	0	0	312	364

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Clovelly Red	L	21 - 38
2	South Coogee Red	L	0 - 51
3	South Coogee White	W	41 - 31
4	Clovelly White	L	0 - 54
5	Rockdale Rangers	L	5 - 44
6	Maroubra Missiles	W	38 - 0
7	Buraneer Gold	W	24 - 10
8	Coogee White	L	10 - 29
9	Rockdale Blue	W	7 - 0
10	East Wallaroos Red	L	15 - 19
11	Coogee Black	W	29 - 5
12	BYE		
13	Menai	W	58 - 10
14	Clovelly Red	L	7 - 20
15	South Coogee Red	L	7 - 15
Plate Prelim final	Menai	W	38 - 21
Plate Grand final	Clovelly Red	L	12 - 17

Junior Competition U10 WHITE



Coach: Richard Taylor

Assistant Coach: Luke Mann

Manager: Jade Stewart

Best Forward: Cooper Guerin

Best Back: Toby Pallett

Most Improved: Archie Daley



BACK: Tane Firth, Toby Foster, Daniel Muir, Nate Devereux, Tom McKenna, Billy Nye, Cooper Guerin, Fergus Dominy
FRONT: Toby Pallett, Zac Duane, Max Tory, Cooper Taylor, Cooper Stewart, Archie Daley, Bodhi Maclean, James Mann
ABSENT: Max Laverty (Captain), Richard Taylor (Coach), Jade Stewart (Manager)

This was the season the boys had been dreaming about since the U6s. A competition ladder. For and Against. Semi-Finals. Grand Finals. How far could we go?

With every boy returning who finished our undefeated U9 season we welcomed 5 new additions who strengthened the squad (Daniel, Max T, Toby P, Zac and Bodhi).

Knowing we would be coming up against some sizable opposition over the course of the year, and not being the largest team ourselves, we went into the season with a simple game plan: to play fast attacking rugby from wing to wing.

Central to this was the effectiveness of our forward pack. Built for speed rather than comfort, our "swarm" approach was designed to ensure when we took the ball in, we got it out. With forwards coach Luke Mann in control, the boys honed their rucking skills. Led by the power hitters – Cooper G, Daniel and Tom – the boys flew into rucks all year. Ably assisted by the guile of Max T, James, Tane and Toby F we enjoyed for the most part dominance at the breakdown. As the season went on the boys used this platform to develop a pick-and-go game, mastered by Archie and Toby F. The set pieces improved as the season progressed, a solid scrum and the lineout became less of a lottery.

With the ball safely won, it was the turn of our backs to make the most of it. Our two half-backs – Cooper S and Cooper T – were always at the breakdown and had the right balance of pass and run. We were gifted with two great ball players – Tom and Bodhi – who were perfect in getting the back line moving. Our centres – Max L, Billy and Nate – combined a power running game with a genuine ability to carry the ball in two hands, commit defenders and release the speed on our flanks. Speed, what speed we had, our wingers were devastating – Toby P, Zac and Fergus – scoring over 70 tries for the year and burning turf from Latham to Burraneer. Goal kicking is an art and in Tom we undoubtedly have a child prodigy, no doubt the best kicker in the competition (72 goals at over 80% conversion ratio).

Whilst attacking is the fun part, we know games are won through defence. The Whites were a formidable force, conceding only 20 tries for the season. We took pride in our defensive line, led by Max T, who would have comfortably topped the tackle count, our forwards created a brick wall in the centre of the park. Our counter-ruck over the season strengthened as did our fringe defence, the boys begin to learn the judgement of when to commit to a breakdown and when to protect the edges. A highlight was the boys who have laid the foundations in contesting the ball in the tackle – none better than Archie, Daniel and Zac.

So with the foundations in place, how did the season play out?

We had a number of strong wins to start the season which embedded our playing style and

teamwork. We then had a couple of hard fought local derbies against the two Clovelly sides which allowed us test our mettle. Although the 2nd of June had been the date on everyone's mind, Rockdale away. The boys certainly turned up that night (when we eventually found the ground) and put them to the sword. Possibly the best execution of our "fast and wide" game plan all season.

Our 22 game unbeaten run ended against South Coogee in Round 10, a brutal encounter, the team really stood up against a very strong and physical side. By now though, we had one eye on the finals and hopefully a top of the table finish.

Training increased in intensity (and length) as we added more options in attack and prepared for the physical challenges ahead. We completed the remainder of the regular season without a loss and claimed the Minor Premiership. The team had a strong performance against Coogee White in the semi-final which saw us make the Grand Final

The Grand Final was a massive occasion. Two teams; neither taking a backward step. A close fought encounter, both sides played with skill and intensity that would have graced the final of a far older age group. Unfortunately it wasn't to be our night, the boy gave everything; blood, sweat and certainly tears. A courageous performance and to a man they can stand up and be proud. Whilst we all love to win, there is a lot gained from a truly gallant loss.

Bottle those feelings boys, stew on it in the off season and we will come back bigger, stronger and faster next season. I couldn't be prouder of each and every one of you. Thank you for your commitment, effort, skill and passion. You are a pleasure to coach. There is a Premiership in you. I truly believe that.

With thanks:

Luke Mann – your help, advice and commitment at training were an important part of our success this year.

Jade Stewart – a step up in the Management stakes this year and you dealt with it fantastically.

Parents – we are truly blessed to have such a committed group of parents. Thank you to everyone who scored, ran touch, ground marshalled, drove to training, cheered, supported, dreamed and lived the dream. And to my little tee runner – I love you princess.

U10 WHITE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Tane Firth	16	0	0	0	59	4	0	20
Cooper Guerin	15	3	0	15	45	31	0	155
Max Tory	14	0	0	0	14	0	0	0
Billy Nye	14	8	0	40	49	87	0	435
Nate Devereux	18	2	0	10	31	11	0	55
Cooper Stewart	15	4	1	22	61	97	1	487
Archie Daley	16	6	0	30	28	9	0	45
Daniel Muir	15	10	0	50	15	10	0	50
Cooper Taylor	15	3	2	19	61	72	2	364
Zachary Duane	16	30	0	150	16	30	0	150
Toby Foster	16	2	0	10	27	3	0	15
James Mann	15	0	0	0	59	5	0	25
Bodhi Maclean	13	8	6	52	13	8	6	52
Toby Pallett	13	35	0	175	13	35	0	175
Fergus Myles Dominy	13	9	16	77	33	60	16	332
Max Laverty	13	8	0	40	24	28	0	140
Thomas Mckenna	16	2	72	154	28	9	72	209

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
16	14	2	0	0	850	116

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	East Wallaroos Red	W	60-5
2	Coogee Black	W	92-5
3	Maroubra Missiles	W	108-0
4	Clovelly Blues	W	54-0
5	Clovelly Red	W	34-5
6	BYE		
7	South Coogee White	W	60-10
8	Rockdale Rangers	W	42-19
9	Menai	W	82-0
10	South Coogee Red	L	12-17
11	Burraneer Gold	W	64-0
12	Rockdale Blue	W	50-14
13	Coogee White	W	33-0
14	East Wallaroos Red	W	47-17
15	Coogee Black	W	71-0
EF	Coogee White	W	31-7
Grand final	Rockdale Rangers	L	10-17

Junior Competition U10 RED



Coaches: Duncan Gordon & Sean Baker

Manager: Ian Alker

Best Forward: Charlie Hatton

Best Back: Sam Alker

Most Improved: Harry Ward



BACK: Duncan Gordon (Coach), Sean Baker (Coach), Ian Alker (Manager)

MIDDLE: Arky Tibbetts, Edward Johnstone, Boston McConnell, Bryce Wilson, Edward Baxter, Harry Ward, Thomas Gordon

FRONT: Charlie Hatton, Jackson Marsh, Luca Fredericks, Sam Alker, Lachlan Hindmarsh, Harrison Baker, Matteo Giuffrida

ABSENT: Gabrielle Nobre-Rance, Emily Nielson (Manager)

As the curtains close on 2017 and we reflect on the season, we can proudly say our boys once again gave it their all. They trained hard, played hard and consistently improved as the year went on but most of all, they had a very enjoyable time in doing so.

Season 2017 was a big change for our age group as they came out of the minis competition and into junior rugby. One of the big changes was the move to Friday night games. The boys really embraced this change and all the new challenges that junior rugby threw at us. When determining if the year was a success we can look at a variety of factors. Without doubt, many look at statistics for the answer and these support a very successful season. We played 16 games, winning 10 and losing 6. In total, we scored 74 tries, 438 points in total and only had 292 points scored against us. At the end of the standard season we had finished a very respectable fifth on the ladder which allowed us the opportunity to play in the Plate Finals Series. The boys (plus parents and coaches) were very excited at this opportunity and we approached the games in a very competitive manner. In our semi-final we played Easts, winning 24-12 which entered us into the Grand Final against the Clovelly Blues. This was a nail biting club derby and our boys never gave up. With minutes remaining on the clock we trailed the blues 12-10. We camped on their try line for what seemed like an eternity and we managed to burrow over for a matching winning try, securing a grand final victory 15-12. A very proud moment for players, coaches and parents. Go the Mighty U10 Clovelly Reds!!

Whilst stats are great to highlight the success of a season, as coaches we feel that this was not necessarily the highlight for us. All year the boys have been working tirelessly on their skills and to embrace a better understanding of this fabulous game. At training and at games you would consistently hear the phrases; compete at the breakdown, get more aggressive at the breakdown, tackle tackle tackle, clean out, go past the ball, get over the advantage line and take the oppositions space. As well as, it's a game of possession, ball security, move up in one line and set a defensive line. As coaches it was our goal for our boys to understand these concepts, grasp them, then regularly and consistently implement them into our games. Now whilst all these skills

were not consistently shown in the front half of the season, they definitely were in the back half.

An example of this is when we played Rockdale in the second round where they wiped us off the park 48-5. Our boys were intimidated and were not competitive. We knew we had to play Rockdale again in the round fifteen (the last round), so as coaches we set a goal that we would have the boys prepared for this match both mentally and physically. At this game, you could sense something special was going to happen, our boys were a different team to the one that played in round two. They had trained hard and were much more skilful and confident. The game was a cracker and our boys were exceptionally brave. They lead all the way, but unfortunately Rockdale scored on the bell and we lost narrowly 20-19. As Sean said to the team 'Boys you are now playing Rugby'

As coaches this is what we are most proud of. It gives evidence our boys are willing to learn, it identifies how our boys have improved throughout the season and it highlights they are willing to challenge their fear. These are great skills for the rugby pitch but are also great skills to learn and master as they grow into young men. Our boys have an incredible passion for the game. They are relishing in learning the required skills and their enjoyment was visibly notable in the huge smiles on their faces as the final whistle blew on Grand Final day!

We would like to say a big thank you to our tireless manger, Ian Alker, who had big shoes to fill however did it very admirably. We would also like to thank all the parents for their support of the team and their boys and also those who ran the line and contained the rowdy crowds! Thank you for getting them to training and games week in week out and just for being there. Sean thank you for all your effort and hard work, it is great fun coaching with you and sharing the stress!

Sean and I both look forward to 2018 and seeing the boys take further steps in their development as outstanding rugby players.

Go the mighty U11 Clovelly Reds!!

U10 RED Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Sam Alker	16	15	8	91	75	101	8	521
Harrison Baker	16	2	0	10	64	10	0	50
Edward Baxter	16	12	16	92	76	144	16	752
Luca Fredericks	16	1	0	5	51	26	0	130
Matteo Giuffrida	15	1	0	5	73	32	0	160
Thomas Gordon	15	2	1	12	63	19	1	97
Campbell Hathaway	9	9	0	10	33	27	0	135
Lachlan Hindmarsh	15	1	0	5	63	50	0	250
Edward Johnstone	12	15	0	75	32	45	0	225
Jackson Marsh	16	12	9	78	40	54	9	288
Boston McConnell	14	5	0	25	25	17	0	85
Gabriel Miles	7	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
Arky Tibbetts	15	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
Harry Ward	13	2	0	10	48	17	0	85
Charlie Hatton	14	2	0	10	41	10	0	50
Bryce Wilson	7	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
Christian Kotis	9	2	0	10	9	2	0	10

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
16	10	6	0	0	438	292

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Clovelly Blues	W	38-21
2	Rockdale Rangers	L	5-48
3	South Coogee Red	L	0-19
4	Menai	W	43-0
5	Clovelly Whites	L	5-34
6	Burraneer Gold	W	36-15
7	Coogee White	L	12-31
8	Coogee Black	W	53-5
9	South Coogee White	L	31-32
10	Rockdale Blue	L	17-22
11	Maroubra Missiles	W	72-0
12	Easts	W	48-26
13	Bye		
14	Clovelly Blues	W	20-7
15	Rockdale Rangers	W*	19-20
Semi final	Easts	W	24-12
Grand final	Clovelly Blues	W	15-12

Junior Competition U11 BLUE

Coaches: Angus Hayes, Bruce Jones Manager: Joe Craven
Best Forward: Callum Stephens Best Back: Will Reay Most Improved: Luca Cogin



BACK: Bruce Jones (Coach), Joe Craven (Manager), Angus Hayes (Coach)
THIRD: Rona Sheppard, Stephen Wade, Zac Francis, Luca Cogin, Drew Deveraux, Krystian Gardiner, Lorcan Jones
SECOND: Mitchell Glasgow, Callum Stevens, Max Craven, Jessie Skene, Sam O'Dwyer, William Reay
FRONT: William Tanner, Hugo Hayes ABSENT: Thomas Schall, Giovanni Pugliese, Patrick Bos

The Blues got their season off to a strong and optimistic start against interclub rivals the Reds with an ensemble performance that we had not anticipated so early in the season. They played hard up the middle, tackled, cleaned out and then played with width when the opportunities came. Coaches, parents and extended families were patting sons on the back in congratulation and anticipation for the season ahead.

As the season wore on the boy's skill levels and team play improved incrementally each week as they turned up week in/week out against some tough opposing teams in the A grade competition. There were some matches we should have won, particularly against a South Coogee team that brought on 9 replacements in the dying stages to steal a draw from the boys at the death. For me as a coach this and a game against Rockdale were the two stand out fixtures of the year where the boys played their hearts out only to be beaten by the bell and big and skilful teams. I'd like to say on behalf of the coaching staff just how proud we are of each and every boy who donned the Clovelly strip this year.

Pat – Sorely missed team member after departing early in the season. His handful of games showed he is once again improving as a skilled and stoic forward. We hope to see him back in 2018

Lorcan – One of the big improvers this year with his tradesman like forward play and solid defending. Lorcan displayed great ability to get over the tackled player, making a habit of stealing the ball. A future no7 is arriving.

Jessie – Captain courageous, always lead by example with scything runs and trademark dummy that from either centre or fly half always got the ball in front of the forwards. Jessie always kept his composure leading his team with aplomb.

Will T – The pinball wizard, every time you thought he was tackled he would pivot, spin, advance and make another few yards for his team. A true original and stalwart of the Blues team. Big improvements on an already solid foundation.

Will R – Supernatural connection with his good buddy Jessie, he would work off his shoulder and always beat the first, second and third man. A great attacking footballer and equally solid defender for a kid of his stature.

Jonno – The wrecking ball came back big and faster this year. Always respectful, attentive and a keen student of the game. Awesome to watch running head on into defensive lines week after week

K-Man – Skills are ever improving which makes k-man so versatile as a forward or back. Always going forward with a big step and fend to get the team over the advantage line.

Luca – Happy in the front row or on the wing. Watching him defend, or cart the ball up is an exercise in hold your breath at just how fearless this kid is. Passionate, the soul of the Blues.

Stevie – Consistent throughout as a lock and started cutting down some big men in defence which is a great asset to this ever-improving character of the blues line up.

Maxxy – Boom, crash opera. Simply loves the tight stuff, thriving off the physicality of rugby and getting stuck in. Mr determination, always steps up when required.

Thomas – Skilful for such a big boy. Always threatens with ball in hands attracting several defenders before offloading with his trademark basketball pass over the top.

Sam – The little general, directed the team around the park so well all year and then just improved again when moving to the centres. The extra space seems to suit Sam and we look forward to more adventurous downfield sorties in years to come.

Ronan – Faster and stronger than last year. Great to see Ro trusting his pace by taking the man on the outside. It's such a delight when the ball gets through the hands to our wingers and watching Ro in space was just excellent.

Drew – Came back from a couple of tough injuries to cement himself as one of our key backs and attacking weapons. Good team man and loves running with the ball and backing up in support play.

Callum – When the chips are down, you can depend on Callum to bring something special in either attack and defence. Whenever the blues were firing Callum is leading the way.

Mitchell – New comer to the Blues, immediately making his presence felt as one of our top outside defenders, fearless and putting his body on the line. A great mid-season addition!

Hugo – The pass is flatter and slicker this year, giving his backline solid service so they had space and time. Always first at the next break down and picked his times to take his much-lauded blindside raids and always stole yards to set up his pack.

Zac – skilful goal kicker and outside back. Zac always timed his run on the wing to perfection and then swerve through multiple defenders with a step or a jink. Classy in attack.

U11 BLUE Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Patrick Bos	2	0	0	0	25	0	0	0
Luca Cogin	11	0	0	0	75	12	0	60
Max Craven	12	1	0	5	52	5	0	25
Drew Devereux	7	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
Zac Francis	13	0	1	2	26	0	1	2
Krystian Gardiner	14	0	0	0	52	1	0	5
Mitchell Glasgow	6	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
Hugo Hayes	13	0	0	0	65	8	0	40
Lorcan Jones	14	0	0	0	82	10	0	50
Samuel O'Dwyer	14	3	5	25	41	14	8	86
Giovanni Pugliese	11	0	0	0	64	14	0	70
Will Reay	14	9	0	45	29	21	0	105
Thomas Schall	9	1	0	5	64	30	0	150
Ronan Sheppard	10	0	0	0	58	13	0	65
Jesse Skene	12	3	4	23	12	3	4	23
Callum Stevens	13	4	0	20	50	36	0	180
Will Tanner	14	0	0	0	94	71	0	355
Stephen Wade	14	0	0	0	63	7	0	35

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
14	2	11	1	0	125	480

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Clovelly Reds	W	10-7
2	South Coogee Red	L	17-34
3	Drummoyne Black	L	0-64
4	South Coogee White	D	24-24
5	Canterbury	W	Forfeit
6	Menai	L	5-28
7	Coogee White	L	0-57
8	Burraneer Blue	L	7-36
9	South Coogee Red	L	12-47
10	Clovelly Reds	L	7-24
11	Rocky Rangers	L	5-32
12	Drummoyne Black	L	0-70
13	BYE	N/R	-
14	Canterbury	L	19-31
15	Menai	L	19-26
Semi final	Menai	L	Forfeit
Grand final	N/A		

Junior Competition U11 RED

Coach: Andrew Tweed

Best Forward: Oliver Aboud

Assistant Coach: Scott Doble

Best Back: Lawrence Kiely

Manager: Vickie Lee

Most Improved: James Hession



BACK: Rhys Jones, Flynn Whitby, Andrew Tweed (Coach), Darby Hindmarsh, Charlie Ashton, Mackenzie Singh

MIDDLE: Callum Penny, Alexander Doble, Oliver Aboud, Lachlan Colin, Kalani Sullivan, James Hession

FRONT: Tyrone Lobo, Lawrence Kiely, Archie Read, Kane McAuliffe

ABSENT: Scott Doble (Assistant Coach), Vickie Lee (Manager), Ewan McDonald, Joel Jacobs

A great group of boys who played their hearts out each week & really encouraged each other. They have learnt so much about playing rugby and being part of a team.

As the weeks progressed we could see the boy's rugby skills developing and their positional play improving. From a coaches point of view it was extremely pleasing to see.

The boys also showed great maturity and resolve by never giving up no matter what the score was. The effort put in by the boys made me very proud to be part of this team.

Individually I believe each and every boy has improved their play from last year. This should see them ready and able for the step up into under 12's.

Congratulations to our award winners.

Best forward - Oliver Aboud

Moving Ollie into the forwards took our forward play to another level. Week in, week out he never stops giving 110% for the team. Whether it be tackling, running, stealing the opposition ball he is a constant danger to the opposing team. Ollie also showed great leadership as captain of the team this year.

Best back - Lawrence Kiely

Lawrence's game management from half back was superb this year. His ball handling, passing and dummies are very well developed. Full of enthusiasm, Lawrence loves his rugby. A future Connor Murray for sure.

Most improved - James Hession.

Moving James into the backs was a master stroke. He flourished from the first game in this position. His ability with ball in hand and big tackling was great to watch. Big things to come from James in the future.

The forwards - Tyrone, Lachlan, Mackenzie, Kalani, Archie, Joel, Flynn, Alexander, Ollie, Charlie & Ewen.

Great effort by all the forwards this year. Sometimes they were outnumbered but never in enthusiasm. Playing in the forwards is a tough job but never once did the boys give up. Once they gained momentum in the rucks and mauls they proved very difficult to handle. Really great job boys.

The backs - Lawrence, Callum, James, Darby, Archie, Kane & Rhys.

Combinations varied over the season with great ability shown throughout. It was great to watch them weave in and out on attack, however the most pleasing aspect was the determination on defence against far bigger opposition most weeks. Well done boys.

Thanks to all the parents for getting the boys to training and games and supporting the team on Friday nights. A big thanks to our amazing manager Vickie & to Scott for all the help with training and games.

Finally. Thank you boys for turning up each week and trying your hardest, supporting each other & generally entertaining us on a Friday night. Hope to see you all back next year!

- Andrew Tweed

U11 RED Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Ollie Aboud	15	4	21	62	63	78	36	462
James Hession	14	1	0	5	36	3	0	15
Laurence Kiely	15	4	0	20	92	94	0	470
Kane McAuliffe	14	7	0	35	37	16	0	135
Kalani Sullivan	14	0	0	0	27	2	0	10
Callum Penny	16	0	0	0	76	86	1	432
Mackenzie Singh	12	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
Charlie Ashton	15	0	0	0	75	54	0	270
Rhys Jones	13	2	0	10	26	2	0	10
Darby Hindmarsh	14	0	0	0	89	40	0	200
Flynn Whitby	14	1	0	5	65	38	0	190
Joel Jacobs	12	10	0	50	52	27	0	135
Tyrone Lobo	16	0	0	0	41	1	0	5
Lachlan Colin	13	0	0	0	70	5	0	25
Ewan McDonald	12	0	0	0	68	4	0	20
Alexander Doble	16	1	0	5	68	23	0	115
Archie Read	15	1	0	5	30	1	0	5

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
15	4	11	0	0	190	390

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Clovelly Blue	L	7-10
2	Rocky Rangers	L	0-38
3	Canterbury	W	52-12
4	Menai	L	12-29
5	Coogee White	L	0 - 29
6	Burraneer Blue	L	12-36
7	South Coogee Red	L	12-14
8	Drummoyne	L	5-36
9	Rocky Rangers	L	5-55
10	Clovelly Blue	W	24-7
11	BYE		
12	Canterbury	W	FFT
13	Menai	W	21-19
14	Coogee White	L	7-45
15	Burraneer Blue	L	12-26
Prelim final	Burraneer Blue	L	21-34

Junior Competition U12 BLUE



Coach: Josh Smith

Assistant Coach: Tasman Tanner

Manager: Mary-Anne Tanner

Best Forward: Byron Ashelford

Best Back: Zac Sarfati

Most Improved: Declan Easton



BACK: Jack Smith, George Karson, Declan Easton, Charlie Beck, Archie McInally, Finn Daley, Luke Butler, Jett Mitchell

FRONT: Max Tanner, Finn McFadden, Byron Ashelford, Oliver Karlovsky, Max Russell, Oliver Costello, Thomas Russell, Zac Sarfati, Carter Steyn

ABSENT: Hugh McDonald, Rory Foley, William Reid, William Glozier

Season 2017 would best be described as tough, the team faced considerable challenges in terms of the size of opposition teams and the initiation of seven new players to the Blues family. That said, the teams courage throughout the year was outstanding.

Although the records show only 2 wins from 15 games, many others were very hotly contested with narrow losses to Rockdale, Coogee White and Burraneer.

The boys played to our strength, through the forwards with a dominant scrum, solid lineout and a pick and drive that more than matched the best teams in the comp. While the backline went through significant changes through illness and injury but still managed to improve with every game, on occasion playing some fantastic running rugby aided by the return mid-season of Mr Moustachio, Ollie Costello.

Special mention must also go to Jack Smith, who over the past 8 season never missed a game. Racking up 114 consecutive games plus representing the club at Harbord Harlequins, Canberra Sevens and playing 2 seasons of Randwick Reps. All-in-all a lot of rugby over 8 years. Well done Jack.

This year the Blues supplied 3 representative players for the one Randwick side competing at the State Championships. Well done to Archie McInally, Zac Sarfati and Max Tanner. The boys finished an admirable runner-up to Parramatta.

Byron Ashelford (Best Forward)- played 97 games for Clovelly, nicknamed the Axe for his defence. Backed up his best forward award from last year with another fantastic effort each and every game. The development in his game from the mini's has been nothing short of amazing, one tough customer.

Charlie Beck - Cha Cha was always entertaining at training. An important part of the "engine room" and a key lineout jumper. Always good for a big run in every game.

Luke Butler - new to the Blues and slotted in at flyhalf before switching to fullback. Great hands and an elusive runner.

Ollie Costello - answered a mid-season SOS from the coach. Tough as nails, great defence and plenty of options in attach. Finished on 98 games. Outstanding effort and thanks for coming back.

Finn Daley - new to the Blues, had a crack in the forwards before finding his place in

the centres. Strong runner.

Declan Easton (Most Improved) - always willing to do whatever is asked of him. Some fantastic runs and big hits in defence. I can still hear the thud when Declan charged into the Rockdale hooker. Great Season.

Tom Gleeson - new to the Blues, a pleasure to coach and a heart the size of Phar lap. Started as a front rower but found his true calling on the wing. Put in a great effort every week.

Will Glozier - Crazy Will only played 3 games before concentrating on school footie but was always a pleasure to coach.

Rory Foley - new to the Blues, started in the backs but found his way to the forwards where he found his true place.

Oliver Karlovsky - Really warmed to his football through the season and showed some real aggression and toughness. Some great runs and hits and always good for a cheeky comment. Great skills at the breakdown.

George Karson - part of the engine room and our dominant scrum. Always willing and didn't shy away from the tough stuff. Congrats on the 50 game milestone.

Hugh McDonald - massive engine, runs all day. The BP quiet achiever of the team. Congrats on the 75 game milestone.

Finn McFadden - switched to the backs this year and really revelled in the centres. Some great defence, and a hard attacking runner with the ball. Highlight was his try against Sth Coogee.

Archie McInally - struggled with injury but made his presence felt in every game. Great in the lineout, made some massive runs and big hits in his defence.

Jett Mitchell - new to the Blues. Really developed throughout the year and showed immense courage in games to tackle the massive opponents.

Will Reid - Found his place at full-back. Tough as nails and great defender. Small in stature but often cutting down opponents twice his size. His game against Canterbury was stuff of legend.

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Max Russell - new to the Blues, broken collarbone before he started wasn't the best but showed speed and courage out on the wing.

Zac Sarfati (Best Back) - immense talent, very coachable and was sorely missed when injured against Coogee that had him out for the last 7 games. Brilliant ball runner and tackler and was sorely missed by Randwick Reps as well. Was team captain until he was injured.

Jack Smith - put his body on the line more than once. Was a reliable link between the forwards and backs as halfback. Great team man, never missing a game. Reliable goal kicker. Congrats on the 100 game milestone.

Carter Steyn - once again answered the call to play again for the Blues. Captained the side in Zac's absence, more than once I had a referee compliment Carter on the way

he conducted himself and led the team on the field. Great as a breakaway or No8, scoring a fantastic try from the back of the scrum against Clovelly Red.

Max Tanner - another fantastic year, one of the leaders of the team. Always giving 100% in both attack and defence. Congrats on the 100 game milestone.

Finally, a massive thanks to all the parents for getting the boys to training and games throughout the year, and a big thank you to Mary-Anne (and her helpers Ellie, Charlie and Will) as manager who organised us every week and made sure we were in the right place at the right time.

From all your coaches (Josh, Tas, Damo, Danny, Cate, Maryanne) over the past 8 years it has been a pleasure and very rewarding to see the growth and development of you all into young men and rugby players.

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Byron Ashelford	15	0	0	0	97	10	0	50
Charlie Beck	13	0	0	0	69	38	8	206
Luke Butler	9	2	0	10	9	2	0	10
Oliver Costello	7	2	1	12	98	123	31	677
Finn Daley	10	1	0	5	10	1	0	5
Declan Easton	12	1	0	5	28	2	0	5
Thomas Gleeson	14	1	0	5	14	1	0	5
William Glozier	3	0	0	0	59	26	7	144
Rory Foley	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
Oliver Karlovsky	14	0	0	0	24	0	0	0
George Karson	14	0	0	0	59	6	0	30
Hugh McDonald	11	0	0	0	77	0	1	2
Finn McFadden	12	2	0	10	34	3	0	15
Archie McInally	13	2	0	10	25	2	0	10
Jett Mitchell	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
William Reid	13	2	0	10	13	2	0	10
Max Russell	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
Zac Sarfati	8	14	0	70	60	150	19	788
Jack Smith	15	0	6	12	114	21	42	189
Carter Steyn	14	3	0	15	70	35	8	191
Max Tanner	13	5	4	33	110	218	25	1140

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
15	2	13	0	0	197	637

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Clovelly Red	W	31-24
2	South Coogee	L	10-51
3	Maroubra Missiles	L	22-52
4	Petersham	L	17-52
5	Canterbury	L	10-64
6	Coogee White	L	5-34
7	Burraneer	L	22-29
8	Coogee Black	L	22-24
9	South Coogee	L	7-34
10	Clovelly Red	W	24-22
11	Rockdale	L	0-22
12	Maroubra Missiles	L	0-41
13	Petersham	L	7-69
14	Canterbury	L	10-69
15	Coogee White	L	10-50

Junior Competition U12 RED



Coaches: John Andrews & Ben Larsson

Manager: Maureen Andrews

Best Forward: Sam Johnson

Best Back: Beau White

Most Improved: Sam Vesper



BACK: Ben Larsson (Coach), John Andrews (Coach)

MIDDLE: Jack Bergan, Kane Sheppard, Finn Baxter, Wylie Durrants, Beau White, Aidan Connolly, Lachlan Creswick, Darcy Nielson, Evan Wright, Hamish Larsson

FRONT: Jericho Cagiloaloa, Andrew Moloney, Lucas Roche, Connor Andrews, Sam Johnson, Oliver Sissan-Turnball, Sam Vesper

ABSENT: Scott Swinburn

This year was a big transition for all U12s as the boys had to play full field with a fifteen man team which meant positional play, team work and fitness were even more important than last year.

After losing a couple of players from last year's squad to other sports, we were able to bring four boys over from last year's Clovelly White team and one from the Clovelly Blues. We were also lucky enough to welcome Wiley back from his overseas commitments, which strengthened our front row considerably.

This gave us a squad of nineteen to work with and we got the season off to a good start with some enthusiastic training runs on Sunday afternoons.

This particular age group is a very strong one across many clubs. One or two teams had merged and recruitment by some of the bigger and more fancied clubs had resulted in some very strong teams entering the Friday night competition. Some of the weaker teams in last year's competition had already opted for the graded Sunday competition. We were under no illusions, it was going to be a tough season.

Despite our boys being outclassed and very much outsize in many games we remained competitive for long periods in games. The Reds often put phase after phase together of really quality rugby, only to turnover possession a few metres out, we sometimes struggled keep the momentum going close to the line. When the pressure came on from much bigger or more skilful opponents who, in some cases were almost fifty kilos heavier, and head and shoulders taller, the Reds struggled to contain them. At this point we will mention one individual, Evan, whose copybook tackling style cut down many big tall timbers, seemingly without effort. There was some really good counter rucking, on occasion, but it was unsustainable. We were however, always gallant in defeat, showing a great desire to compete, and the boys improved at adapting their play to the different styles of football that were part of this year's competition.

It was quite difficult to try and prepare the boys each week when their hard work didn't reward them as it should have, several games were outstanding lost due to only a moment's lapse in concentration. Despite this, the boys seemed to still enjoy their rugby, and at times played with phenomenal courage, opting to play on to finish games when offered a merciful early end to a game. It says a great deal about the team and the friendships they have forged, that they supported each other and never criticized or blamed one another for an error, no matter how costly. It was a great testament to the boys' personalities that they could turn up each week knowing they were probably going to be on the wrong side of the scoreboard, yet get stuck in on the night, and never give up. They drew when Rockdale scored after the bell, and limited the runner's up in the competition, Coogee White, to one try in the second half of a game, and these

are the small victories of this season.

Even with only one draw to our name and no wins, opposing teams knew we couldn't be taken lightly, and some opposition coaches commented on our tenacity, as the Reds efforts and spirit remained high.

The coaches would like to make special mention of the many boys who played each week in positions that were not their first choice, or even where they sometimes felt uncomfortable against bigger, more aggressive and robust opposition. This was particularly relevant to the many who played in the forwards, as some games were a complete mismatch in size and weight. Also thanks must go to all the boys for their good sportsmanship when asked to come off for a reserve or to start the game from the bench. There was, at times, a lot of interchange to ensure everyone got their fair share of game time and this is sometimes hard to manage. Occasionally this did make continuity difficult and may have changed the flow of the game a little, but as parents know we have always tried to be all inclusive, so hopefully this year was no different.

The giving of awards is often difficult and this year was no different, given how often various boys stood up on the night, or offered that little extra effort, or executed something that we had been concentrating on at training. If we could we would create extra awards for recognition of what great work many did, but as there are only three main awards we had to come up with some names. We had been keeping a running tally on match day points and these boys came out on top, Sam Johnson Best Forward for his outstanding overall game, Beau White Best Back, always bringing that little something special, and Sam Vesper Most Improved his performances grew as the season progressed.

It was great to finish this chapter of junior club rugby with a great bunch of boys and parents. The boys are at the end of their Clovelly journey, and it's worth making a special mention to those that have played in the blue and white for all of the seven years available to them. Jack and Evan have each played for Clovelly since the U6 Minis, whilst Sam J. Finn, Connor, Scott and Aidan started as 4 year olds in 2010, playing 2 years in U6, and have provided terrific service to the club, a significant achievement for each of them, particularly Connor, Finn, Sam J. and Scott who each played more than 100 games, and a noteworthy milestone - congratulations to each of them.

Once again the parent group were outstanding to work with, and really contributed to keeping it positive when the score lines said otherwise. We would particularly like to thank everyone who stepped up to the mark to take the Ground Marshall & Assistant Referee roles, or to score when needed. We look forward to crossing paths again at club or school level in the years ahead.

U12 RED Team Stats 2017

2017 SEASON					PROGRESSIVE			
Player Name	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points	Games Played	Tries	Goals	Total Points
Connor Andrews	14	1	0	5	117	68	7	354
Finn Baxter	15	5	0	25	105	128	2	644
Jack Bergan	13	0	0	0	88	19	0	95
Jericho Cagiloaloa	10	0	0	0	65	5	1	27
Aidan Connolly	13	0	0	0	99	26	2	134
Lachlan Creswick	14	0	0	0	79	5	2	29
Wylie Durrans	14	1	0	5	36	3	1	17
Sam Johnson	14	5	0	25	118	152	4	776
Hamish Larsson	14	1	6	17	78	26	14	158
Andrew Maloney	14	1	0	5	28	4	0	20
Darcy Nielson	14	0	0	0	67	2	0	10
Luca Roche	14	1	2	9	49	4	14	48
Kane Sheppard	15	3	0	15	57	10	0	50
Olivier Sissian-Turnbull	15	1	0	5	30	1	1	7
Scott Swinburn	13	0	0	0	101	81	24	453
Sam Vesper	15	2	0	10	53	19	9	113
William Vesper	14	2	0	10	14	2	0	10
Beau White	11	3	5	25	63	44	11	242
Evan Wright	14	0	0	0	86	9	1	47

Played	Wins	Losses	Draws	W/outs	For	Against
15	0	14	1	0	156	678

Round	Opposition	Result W/L/D	Score
1	Clovelly Blue	L	31-24
2	Rockdale Rangers	D	29-29
3	Canterbury	L	67-5
4	Coogee White	L	60-0
5	Coogee Black	L	34-17
6	Burraneer Gold	L	41-0
7	Maroubra Missiles	L	58-12
8	South Coogee	L	50-0
9	Rockdale Rangers	L	53-7
10	Clovelly Blue	L	24-22
11	Petersham	L	57-7
12	Canterbury	L	50-0
13	Coogee White	L	41-7
14	Coogee Black	L	43-14
15	Burraneer Fold	L	40-12

Harbord Harlequins Cup Under 8



The U8's Harbord team was very competitive in all their games and displayed some spectacular rugby at times. This was most noticeable when we played against the eventual finalist, Seaforth going down by only 1 try. The boys defence and attack matched Seaforth with the only difference being the intensity at the breakdown. The most impressive aspect of the team was the camaraderie, how well they represented the club on the field and their obvious passion for the game. The team was well led by Jono Delaney and Chris James and this was reflected in how the team improved as the day went on. The team finished strongly, dominating Norths across all parts of the games winning 10-2. A great day had by all.

Gavin Shepherd
Manager



Harbord Harlequins Cup Under 9

Under 9s

A squad of 15 boys chosen from our four Clovelly teams participated in this event on Sunday 6th August. This is a tournament that allows the boys to test their rugby skills against the best teams in Sydney.

Clovelly was drawn in one of the toughest pools with games against Collaroy, Norwest, Rockdale & Avoca Beach. Unfortunately, we got off to a slow start with a loss against a very well drilled Collaroy team who were much better at the breakdown. From here on in we needed to win every game to be a chance of making the semis and in our second game against Norwest the team played much better and recorded a good win. Next was the big test of the day against the Rockdale boys. Our opponents had size and speed but despite this we managed to stay with them for the first half of the game. Alas the physical advantage of our opponents was too much for our team, we lost this one but contested to the final whistle. This loss meant our last game against Avoca was one for pride only and with this in mind the boys put on their best performance of the day to record a solid win. The final result for the day was 2 wins and 2 losses. For the boys who represented the club they played in the true spirit of the Clovelly Eagles and learnt some good rugby lessons that will stay with them forever.

Thanks for the support of the families and congratulations to all the players: Jarrah Carr, Symon Cheika, Archie Creswick, Lachlan Doble, Asher Dowd, Charlie Grant, Taj Morison, James McDonald, Max Nearn, Charlie Neate, Charlie Tanner (Capt), William Tate, Alexander Vesper, Maddox Whitby, Sebastian Whitby.



Canberra 7s Tournament

Under 8

The U8's were fortunate enough to be able to send 2 teams down to the Canberra 7's tournament this year. The Blues and Blacks formed one team and the Whites and the Reds the other. Clovelly 1 was comprised of players from both the Blues and Blacks teams and did very well losing to Rockdale in the final. We went into the tournament a little undermanned with only 8 players and the day before we lost Henry McAusland to concussion leaving us with only 7 players and relying on the other Clovelly team for subs. We were in a strong pool with Rockdale and Easts the main competition. We started the day slowly just beating the Dural Warriors (4-2) but got better as the tournament progressed only losing to Rockdale (9-4) in the pool stages to progress to the semi-finals. We played Hills in the semi and were behind for most of the game. It was only in the last couple of minutes of the game that we managed to create a turnover from strong defence to score and draw the game level. The boys dug deep defensively to again create a turnover and run away to score the winning try as the ref blew full time. We had a quick 10 minute rest before having to play a typically strong Rockdale team in the decider. Unfortunately the boys couldn't replicate their semi-final heroics and lost 9-3. It was a fantastic effort by the boys especially as we only had minimal subs for all our games.

Thank you to the club and parents for organising and bringing the boys down to Canberra for a fantastic tournament. A big thank you to Chris James for his coaching efforts throughout the day and congratulations to all the boys on a wonderful tournament.

Jon Delaney



Under 9

"Clovelly had two under 9 teams in this years Canberra Sevens. Team #1 played 5 games for a draw, 3 close losses and a rugby lesson from Rockdale. Team #2 also played 5 games for a couple of wins and played some attractive attacking football. Although the emphasis was on fun it was good to see the U9boys apply themselves against a variety of teams. Apart from the rugby a highlight was the trip to Questacon and the Saturday night family get together at Alivio , a great way to celebrate another fun season of rugby."



Under 10

The U10s had another fantastic and successful day in sunny Canberra. Heading in to the tournament we were confident we had two strong and well balanced sides; and so it proved. We went in to camp on Saturday night and focused on team bonding - for players and parents - and then it was down to business on Sunday morning.

Both sides recorded early wins, playing open attacking rugby and using their speed on the flanks. After a couple of tougher games where the boys had to grind out gutsy wins with some solid defence it was time for the group game everyone had had their eyes on since the draw came out - Clovelly 1 v Rockdale. Unfortunately our boys couldn't exact revenge for the Grand Final defeat the Friday before and were bested but not without a brave effort.

By now the stars were aligning and everyone had their sights set on the inevitable match up of the two Clovelly sides in the semi-final. Routine wins to round out the group stage for both sides set up the local derby for a place in the big dance. It was a game that did credit to both sets of players, the coaches and the club, not to mention 7s rugby in general. A hard fought battle was just edged by Clovelly 2 in the closing stages.

To the victor the spoils...and a Grand Final against our old foes Rockdale, who we had lost to in the Grand Final 12 months previously. Cheered on by their clubmates, the boys put up a massive effort and were deservedly ahead entering the final minute. But rugby is a cruel mistress and once again it wasn't to be. The boys went down 22-19 but not for want of effort and commitment.

A big thank you to all of the parents and players for making it such a memorable weekend again.



Under 11

On September 10 eleven fearless U11 Eagles descended upon the nation's capital, intent on leaving behind an indelible rugby footprint. Consisting of boys from both the Blues and Reds teams, the mighty Eagles set about their business.

After a warm up as crisp as the Canberra morning air, the Eagles took down the Vikings in a dire affair, highlighted by nimble scrum half, Tom Schall's dash down the sideline for a try. To follow that up, the boys put on a master class in Sevens wizardry to gallop to an overwhelming victory over Canberra Grammar with tries coming from all over the park. The third game against Norwest Bulls saw some Kane McAuliffe brilliance have us dash to another early lead. But alas, after half time the wheels came off and it appeared that the previous night's festivities at the 5 star Alivio Resort began to catch up with the lads, the result being a tough 7-21 loss.

The last two games proved to be a bridge too far as the tired young fellas went down to Rockdale and Penrith. However their determination and commitment was a thing to be proud of as they tried their hearts out to the end, Will Tanner showing particular grit.

End result was a 2-3 record on the day and a bunch of VERY tired boys, but a lot of fun was had by all.



Under 12

The U12 Clovelly Canberra 7's side comprised a good mix of players from all the U12 Clovelly sides. The team was placed in a draw against Rockdale, Easts (Canberra), Uni-Norths, Hills and Canberra Grammar.

The boys played some impressive rugby during the day with very strong wins against Easts, Uni-Norths and Canberra Grammar and had valiant losses to Rockdale and Hills. Even in the losses the boys never gave up and kept the scores respectable against sizable opponents. Although the 3 wins was not enough to progress through to the finals the boys played some wonderful rugby against quality opposition on a beautiful spring day in Canberra - a good way for those boys not touring to finish their rugby at Clovelly!

Cheers

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Randwick Representatives - 2017



Under 10

This year saw the first opportunity for our boys to experience the taste of representative football. Randwick took two under 10's teams to Rat Park on the weekend of July 16 to compete in the Under 10 state championships. Clovelly was proudly represented by a large number of plays, more than any other club which is a sign of the exceptional Eagles talent in this age group.

Overall we had 17 players represent the club, with the following players selected in the Randwick Green team; Ed Baxter, Lachlan Hindmarsh, Cooper Guerin, Charlie Hatton, Daniel Muir, Callum Bush, Max Laverty, Archie Daley, Jackson Marsh & Toby Pallet. The greens dominated their tournament, playing some fantastic Randwick running rugby winning 4 from 4 games!

Randwick Whites were represented by the following Clovelly players, Harrison Baker, Bille Nye, Tom Gordon, Fergus Dominy, Sam Alker, Christian Kotis & Orlando Collins. Myself and Sean Baker had the honour of coaching the whites and whilst they were not as successful as the Greens they were very competitive on the paddock winning 1 from 4 games.

This tournament was a great opportunity for our boys to play at a higher level and make new friends and what was also pleasing was how well the Clovelly boys represented the club both on and off the field! Well done boys!

Under 11

Clovelly Eagles had a strong representation in the Under 11 Randwick Rugby Union Representative's teams, with Ollie Aboud, Callum Penny, Lawrence Kiely, Jessie Skene and William Reay being selected in the Randwick Under 11 Green team, and Alexander Doble, Will Tanner, Sam O'Dwyer, Callum Stevens, Kane McAuliffe and Krystian Gardiner being selected in the Randwick Under 11 White team.

The Green team played six games over the two days, with four wins against Wests, Warringah, Illawarra and Easts, recording a draw against Parramatta and losing a very tough match against Southern Districts.

The White team also played six games over the two days, recording wins in four games (Parramatta, Eastwood, Illawarra and Hunter). They had a very gutsy draw with a very big and physical Southern Districts team. They had a narrow one try loss to Manly.

A big weekend for the boys, recording eight wins, two draws and two losses from their twelve games.

Under 12

Clovelly Eagles had a strong contingent selected to play in the Randwick Representative team playing at the U12 State Championships held over 3 days at Camden, Moss Vale and Lindfield. With only 1 rep team allowed for each district, Clovelly was well represented with 4 players in a strong Randwick Team - Finn Baxter, Max Tanner, Archie McNally and Zac Safarti.

The Randwick team were undefeated on day 1 of the tournament, then on day 2 lost a close game to a very big Penrith team but then came back with a strong win against the U12 NSW Country Champions, Illawarra to book a place in the finals on day 3. After winning their semi-final the boys played in the grand final which they unfortunately lost to Parramatta.

Although smaller than many other teams, the boys played fantastic high paced running rugby with strong tackling and accurate breakdown work. This style of play coupled with great commitment from the boys meant that most other teams in the tournament were simply unable to keep up with Randwick either with skills or fitness and allowed the boys to progress through to be worthy runners up.

Clovelly were also represented in the U12 PSSA State Rugby Carnival held at Salamander Bay in August with Finn Baxter and Sam Johnson selected in the Sydney East team.



Roll of Honour



2017 # of games

Sam Johnson	118
Connor Andrews	117
Jack Smith	114
Max Tanner	110
Finn Baxter	105
Scott Swinburn	101

2016 # of games

Daniel McSweeney	110
Harvey Kenny	107
Cooper Corban	102

2015 # of games

Finn Wright	139
Marco Bell	124
Jack Kelly	124
Max Johnson	119
Lukian Burak	118
Will McCormick	116
Toby Alker	107
Ethan Howe	106
Spencer Benjamin	103

2014 # of games

Liam Andrews	114
Connor McMullen	111
Hugh Johnson	102
Hugh McSweeney	100

2013 # of games

Charlie Baker	130
Ben Baker	130
Clayton Cantarella	130
Ben Gordon	118
Ben McDonald	118
Sam Morgan	106
Will Dyster	106
Barnaby Bickmore-Hutt	104
Sam Cantarella	101

2012 # of games

Louis Collins	126
John Soden	106
Harry Tate	103
Max Tate	100

2011 # of games

Liam Smith	108
Liam Connolly	106
Morgan Penry	105
Angus Chadwick	103

2010 # of games

Latham James	122
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2009 # of games

Connor O'Shea	158
Darcy Wright	137
Eamon Wright	132
Tom Wright	132
Angus Cocks	131
Connor Boon	121

2007 # of games

Lachlan Wright	137
Tom O'Connor	128
Billy Wright	126
David Andrews	116
Alex Laycock	116
Nicholas Barko	113
Ethan Thomas	107
Jethro James	106
Oliver Delorenzo	104
Jack Whitaker	103
Kieran Knight	100

2006 # of games

Chris Andrews	151
Ben Haire	101

2005 # of games

Greg Brincat	155
John Haire	111
Andrew Blomberg	108
Luke Henry	107
Louis Street	106

2002 # of games

Cameron Conway	134
David Wynyard	129
Andrew Williams	117
Daniel Hristova	109
Rory O'Connell	103
James Toomalati	102
Michael Andrews	100

2001 # of games

Matthew Mackay	125
John De Navi	102

2000 # of games

Alastair Nash	100
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1999 # of games

Francisco Shaw	112
Blake Derby	111
Thomas Jenkins	109
Nathan Cargill	107

1998 # of games

Martin Darby	120
James Miller	115
Will Hargreaves	114
Lee Morgan	112
Anthony Hatfield	100
Brad Preston	107

1997 # of games

Peter Geering	106
Liam Stewart	102
Adam Codner	100

1996 # of games

Ryan Clark	138
Aaron Cowper	104
Lydan Matua	102

Roll of Honour

1995	# of games
Mark Thompson	155
Morgan Turinui	140
Keiran Lanham	139
Michael Geering	125
Shawn Mackay	123
Daniel Fagg	113
James Miles	106
Stephen Irwon	102
Nathan Lowe	100
1994	# of games
Michael Hamilton	108
1992	# of games
Martin Hegarty	129
Tim Clark	126
Canicron Swan	121
Shannon Lee	117
1991	# of games
Kendall Robinson	100
Tom Whitaker	100
1990	# of games
Iain Byrne	106
Say Pendleton	105
Hayden Robinson	101
1988	# of games
Michael Zirps	104
1987	# of games
Chris Whitaker	106
1986	# of games
Stephen Dunn	104
1985	# of games
Jaysen Thompson	101
Justin Philip	100
1984	# of games
Wayne McMahon	113
1982	# of games
Andrew Wilson	105
Jason Hale	104
Michael O'Sullivan	100
1981	# of games
Scott Merriman	120
Stuart Ball	114
Peter Fisher	104
1980	# of games
Michael Rooney	134
Ken Morris	133
1979	# of games
Jeffrey Jones	111
1978	# of games
Robert Webster	138
Mark Perica	105
Mark Philip	105

1977	# of games
Rohan Booth	126
Dean Morrow	112
1976	# of games
Rick McGrath	102
1975	# of games
John Lambert	151
Brett Dooley	145
Craig Coventry	112
Robert Sang	111
David Beer	100
Adam Mackie	108
1974	# of games
Jason Symes	100
1973	# of games
Terence McQuillan	103
1972	# of games
Mark Plamer	118
Mark Pullin	118
Matt Cruickshank	117
1971	# of games
Richard Marrott	136
Grant Mould	133
Michael Johnson	120
Robert Irwon	103
Colin Stephenson	101
1970	# of games
Barry Havenstein	122
Barry Blanchard	120
Stewart Dunn	119
John Wreathall	102
1969	# of games
John Cook	150
1967	# of games
Brent Booth	170
Bruce Cliff	163
Bradley Burke	138
Peter Wilson	129
Anthony Brookman	100

New Zealand U12s Tour 2017



If a bunch of twelve-year-old boys could write a script for a perfect week away it would look remarkably close to the incredible experience our Eagles touring team just enjoyed in Queenstown, New Zealand.

Twenty-five very excited boys, accompanied by their Dads (including honorary Dads, Garry and Sia), set forth from the airport on Tuesday morning bound for the land of the long white cloud and nervous quadrupedal ruminants. The fifty tourists, amounting to a third of the plane's capacity and ninety-five percent of its noise, touched down in picturesque Queenstown that afternoon and were quickly herded to the local footy ground for a training run and a vain attempt to 'run the sillies' out of them. Back to the hotel to change and it was off to the local steak house to 'feed the man meat' with a pile of ribs put in front of the boys that they couldn't jump over but proceeded to demolish anyway.

Up early the next morning and it's off into the hills for a round of clay target shooting. Any of the Dad's nervousness about the political correctness of handing a 40kg kid a 4kg 12-gauge shotgun was quickly dispelled after Blake's comprehensive safety briefing and they were into it with many proving themselves to be quite the shot.

That afternoon saw us hosted by Wakatipu Rugby Club for a warm up game and what a game it was. The see-sawing contest culminated in a late try to our hosts to have them run out 35-28 winners but was commented on by many as the game of the season from our boys. Our magnanimous hosts then had us back to their clubhouse where gifts were exchanged and refreshments served.

From there it was straight onto Peanut's bus for the quaint hamlet of Glenorchy where the touring party had the town's only hotel booked to ourselves to do with, pretty much, as we pleased. And pleased we were! Some running amok free time for the boys and a hastily arranged, high stakes (does Ted do it any other way?) pool comp for the Dads.

Day 3 and the cobwebs were blown away by some early morning jet boating up the Dart River and into the, previously, pristine (thanks Brian) wilderness. A short delay upstream with Jarrod (with two 'r's) getting his boat "beached as, bro" and we were into the canoes for the drift back down. News that we were in town must have spread, with all seven locals showing up at the pub that night to hear news of the outside world, and join in the, now famous, Eagles pool comp. Brocky interpreted, Garry regaled the locals with made up stuff, Charlie got some unsolicited career advice, Al partook in some Greco-Germanic wrestling and a good night was had by all.

Back to town the next day and the activity de jour is luging down one of Queenstown's overhanging mountains. A magnificent dinner of local lamb at the rugby club with some of the other Aussie teams and a, relatively, early night with the big games the next day.

Saturday saw the serious rugby begin with Day 1 of the tournament and games against Wellington based Eastbourne and the, now familiar, Wakatipu. Unfortunately, both games resulted in narrow, one try, defeats but, once again, the boys impressed with both the style and courage of their play. The rugby part of the tour was rounded out by two more close but unsuccessful games on the Sunday against neighbouring Easts and Ohaka RFC from Christchurch.

In an otherwise tough season the boys enjoyed some terrific rugby on soft green fields against evenly sized opposition providing a perfect swansong to their time at the mighty Eagles. They did themselves, their Club and their country proud, experienced what it's like to tour and had an experience of their lifetime (to date).

A massive thanks from the boys to all who helped with organising and sponsoring, especially Tony Shortt, Kevin Roche, Ben Larsson, John Andrews and Josh Smith and we couldn't close without a plug for our newly contracted professional chaperone Gary ("Where's Ev?") Walls who will be available for all future tours.





Hall of Fame



Australian Wallabies	Career	Caps
Gary Ella	1982 - 1988	6
Chris Whitaker	1998 - 2006	31
Morgan Turinui	2003 - 2005	20
Australian Sevens	Career	Caps
Shawn Mackay	2004 - 2008	
Morgan Turinui	2002	
Tim Clark	2004	
Shaun Foley	2009	
NSW Waratahs	Career	Caps
Gary Ella	1981 - 1988	27
Eddie Jones	1984 - 1990	12
Chris Whitaker	1997 - 2006	118
Jason Jones Hughes	1997 - 1999	27
Tim Clark	2001 - 2003	12
Morgan Turinui	2002 - 2010	65
Shawn Mackay	2006	6
ACT Brumbies	Career	Caps
Shawn Mackay	2009	2
QLD Reds	Career	Caps
Morgan Turinui	2008 - 2010	18
Wales	Career	Caps
Jason Jones-Hughes	1999-2000	3
Australian Coaches		
Eddie Jones (Wallabies)	2001-2005	
Shawn Mackay (Women's 7s)	2008	
Commonwealth Games		
Shawn Mackay (Sevens)	2006	
Australian Captains		
Chris Whitaker (Wallabies)	2003	
Shawn Mackay (Sevens)	2005 - 2008	
Shawn Mackay (C'wlth Games)	2006	
Morgan Turinui (Aust. Schools)	2000	
Tim Clark (Sevens)	2004	



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