



Centurions Rugby Football Club (Inc)

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President's message

Welcome again to all members.

Unfortunately this newsletter starts on a sad note with the passing of Dunn Kaiwai after a battle with cancer. Dunn was made a Centurion member in May of this year but was too ill to attend the clubrooms. Centurions were represented at Dunn's funeral with Alan Muir, myself and many past players from Wellington travelling to Ruatoria. Alan, Murray Pierce and Jim Morgan were asked to speak and all spoke of the wonderful qualities which Dunn possessed as a father, husband, player, coach and the gentleman that Dunn was.

I am sure that all Centurion members will join with me in sending our thoughts and condolences to Dunn's wife Gail and their children.

Golf Day

On a happier note 25 teams had a warm spring day for the annual golf day which took place on 26 September. This year it was held at the Royal Wellington Golf Club which indeed was a treat for most of us. The top team was the American Embassy lead by the Ambassador himself. We were all well watered and fed and thanks must go to the Club and Kevin Kelly for such a smooth operation. We look forward to having a few more teams next year and we think about 30 would be ideal. Circle the Fridays in September 2009 and we will let you know which one at a later date.

The money raised through entry fees and raffles is split between us and the New Zealand Rugby Foundation. The amount raised this year was in excess of \$5,000.00.

Clubrooms

There is a semi final and hopefully a final to come so come along and support the team and join your friends in the Clubrooms.

Looking forward to seeing you again soon.

Brendan Gard'ner

President

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From the Club Captain

Our Wellington Centurions Secondary Schools team travelled to Napier to play a match against a Saracens Hawkes Bay team. The game was played as a curtain raiser to the Hawkes Bay v Waikato Air New Zealand Cup fixture on Saturday 20 September and this was a great thrill for the two teams. It was an entertaining game played in good spirit and Centurions ran out the winners by 15–8. A very successful trip away and a great experience for the boys involved.



The next fixture for the team was a match against the South Australian U20 Representative team and this was played at Lyndhurst Park on Saturday 4 October. The teams were relatively evenly matched and the score of 15–7 to the Australians reflected the slight dominance that the older boys managed towards the end of the game.

The after match function was held in the Tawa Junior Clubrooms and our President Brendan spoke and distributed pins, ties, two caps and a plaque to the visitors. Rhys Barlow spoke on behalf of the WRFU and both Captains spoke very well on behalf of their teams. WRFU shouted food and fruit juice. A very successful afternoon with a number of club members as spectators.



Membership

A reminder that we do need to keep an eye on our membership level. We have sent membership nomination forms out to rugby clubs but usually the best method of recruiting is through existing members who are generally aware of like minded potential members within the rugby community. Simply put, the criterion remains the same as always, services to rugby. Membership nomination forms can be downloaded from our website or any Committee member will be pleased to supply one. Alternatively a simple letter of nomination signed by two existing members and outlining the candidate's rugby history will suffice. Nominations please to our Secretary, Brian Coomber, or again any Committee member will be glad to receive a nomination.

Christmas Party

- Where: Clubrooms, Westpac Stadium
- When: 6.00pm Wednesday 3 December 2008
- Why: Because it is Christmas
Because we need to socialise with our good rugby friends and colleagues

Members and Partners all welcome
Come along, catch up with your mates and enjoy good Christmas cheer and hospitality

Light refreshments, finger food, wine and beer
(A donation towards cost will be appreciated)



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