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A HUGE Weekend for the Mighty Hawks



Danny Fai
Fai kept the crowd entertained.

tributed to the night's frivolity and generally had good fun.

We are pleased to report that on the fundraising side, the event was a huge success and we are grateful to everyone who got involved in all the fundraising activities.

It was a huge night at North Ryde RSL on Friday with many a story unfolding as the alcohol fog starts to lift.

We would like to extend our thanks to all Hawks supporters, parents and sponsors who con-

Our children will directly benefit from these funds and you can be assured that the Hawks continues to thrive!

A note from our esteemed President "A big Thank You to the entire committee for making the

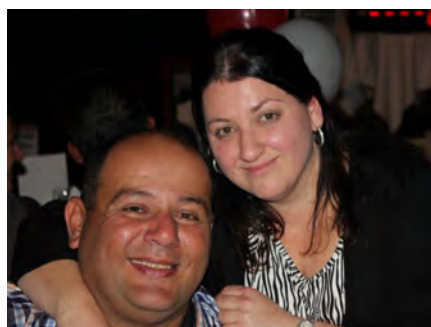
evening such a success.

Everyone chipped in and helped out in so many ways and it certainly helps for the smooth running of a big event, so many thanks.

A massive Thank You to the Fundraising Committee for all of the planning and preparation that they put into making the night happen.

There is a heck of a lot of behind the scenes work that has gone on over the last few months getting ready for last night and those efforts are very much appreciated." Glenn Hillier, President.

So there you have it. The future of rugby league at North Ryde Junior Rugby League Club is alive and well.



[Clockwise from top left] Jennifer Hawk fresh from the Cougars trivia night, with the lovely Lady Hawks; the Great RR in fine form; Hawks esteemed President, Glenn Hillier with the gorgeous Sarah Hillier; and special thanks to John Moujalli, pictured with his wonderful wife Nadia, for his photographic record of the evening. Check out our website for more photos.

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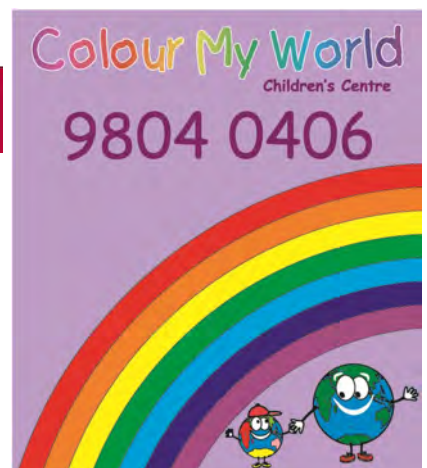


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U6 Whites Take on the Dads



This week the U6 whites had a bye. Three of our boys **Isaac Biondi**, **Brock Robinson** and **Levi Locantro** were lucky enough to have a game with the U6 Reds against Holy Cross.

After the game at Holy Cross we headed to the park and had ourselves a fathers/son fun match. What started as a fathers/son match ended up being a fathers/kids match, as **Tanika Biondi** (Isaac's sister) and **Salina Locantro** (Levi's sister) were brave enough to join in the fun.

The teams were split into the ParraMans and the St. Tigers, they consisted of the following players.

ParraMan (Parramatta, Manly)

featuring:

Alex Robinson ©

Joe Biondi (dad)

Tanika Biondi

Levi Locantro

Elijah Chahine

Played against the St Tigers (St George, Tigers) featuring:

Joe Locantro ©

Salina Locantro

Isaac Biondi

Brock Robinson

Ramone Chahine

The game ended in a 13 all draw. It was all about the fathers having fun playing footy with the kids. Everyone had a great game, but our 'Man of the Match' award went to Joe



Locantro for coming up with the great suggestion.

Try scorers for the ParraMans: Alex Robinson(5), Joe Biondi(3), Levi Locantro(3), Elijah Chahine(1) and Tanika Biondi(1)

Try Scorers for the St. Tigers: Ramone Chahine(6), Isaac Biondi(4), Brock Robinson(2) and Chris Chahine(1)

I hope the families that came along had fun, and we can all get together for another fun day in the future to included the family's that unfortunately couldn't make the day.

Alex Robinson (Coach)

U6 Reds - Battle the Big Units

For Round 14 our **Red-Hot-Super-Sixes** were at Holy Cross for **Coby's** birthday celebrations. A full team of Gold Rhinos played host but provided no gifts. We were ahead on possession and territory but had to work very hard for all our points. Being short of players our best mates **Brock**, **Levi** and **Isaac** 'came to the party'.

Those Rhinos have some big units and it took courage to run into their defence. Both Captain **Coby** and **Alan** stood tall and pushed them off. **Alex**, **Jack** and **Cruz** each made many strong forward runs that have seen them score against other teams but Rhinos were all over them today. We worked through our sets in the first

period, with **Isaac** and **Ivan** putting **Levi** into a scoring position.

I'd like to report fully on the second period but was distracted by the Ground Manager who seemed worried that wild hordes of Hawk's supporters were about to crash the party (one parent with a water bottle during the rest break!).

What we did see was **Levi**, **Brock** and **Isaac** providing a core platform with very quick play-the-ball, which unsettled the Rhinos defence. **Isaac** scored, I thought **Alex** did too but the referee called it just short, but there was no doubt of **Jack's** storming try. We must thank Alex Robinson for this master class



demonstration of what our players can achieve when we get organised.

Normal coaching resumed in the final period and we struggled until **Brock** came off the bench providing a very quick ball to **Ivan** for our final try.

See our **Red-Hot-Super-Sixes** at TG Millner on Sunday.

Tries: **Isaac**, **Ivan**, **Jack** and **Levi**.

Captain: **Coby**, Most Valued Players: **Ivan** (3) **Coby** (2) **Isaac** (1) **Brock** (1) **Levi** (1)

Richard Copnall, Coach

U7s - Mud Bath at Birchy



**And a
great time
was had by
all!**

We have finally had a good run with the weather and we were up to playing our third Sunday in a row when all of a sudden the clouds started to roll in. Thankfully, the Birchgrove Oval officials made the wise decision (some mums and dads would disagree) to keep the oval open for our boys to play.

We were backing up from two Sundays of great football, excellent attacking and defence and what seemed to be a team starting to find their groove.

The Shamrocks opened up strong with a try in the first set and it kind of rolled on like that from there. They played some great football and were able to find our weakness on the edge of our line scoring most of their tries down the side.

In the first two thirds they kept us

break through the line. Tyran and Blake tried to take them out wide but they closed the gap too quickly. The boys were covered in mud and the ball looked like "a chocolate easter egg" that kept getting dropped.

Frustrated by the Shamrocks solid defence Hughie tried to come up with a different tactic by putting up a bomb on the first tackle in our own half that would have been a cracker if our team knew what he was doing!!!!!! But great effort Hughie.

Coach Matt must have had a good hard talk to the boys during the 2nd break because they came out firing in the last third (or maybe it was the ball change!!). Jack, Blake and Macey made some great tackles and Hughie and Tyran made some great metres for us.

Josh, as always, did an amazing job

scoreless. Thomas Macey Patrick and Tyler made some great strong runs up the middle but just couldn't

as dummy half, always being there behind the ball to help with a quick play the ball. The Shamrocks made a break down our line but one of our little champions Thomas was there to make the tackle of the day, taking one for the team and stopping the Shamrocks from scoring.

With the ball in our boys hands, Thomas rubbed himself off, got the ball and made a great run to score our first try for the day. Within minutes, our speed boy Tyler had the ball and dashed down the side to score a tremendous try by diving in the mud.

We held on and kept the Shamrocks scoreless during the last third.

A deserved Man of the Match went to Big Jack Heaton who showed us that he can tackle like the best of them and now we have seen it Jack, we want more of it and you have to bring it every week!!!!

Well done boys!! You're doing us proud.

Amanda King, Mother & Avid Fan



U8 Reds - Impressive Against Raiders

It was a very tough match today against Holy Cross. We have improved a lot since playing them before the season started, they convincingly beat us then, but not today.

It was all tied up at full time with Ramone and Max B scoring a try

each and Michael L getting a double, including one right on the bell. Sam Hammond tried hard all through the game and was our deserved player of the day.

Our opposition were good tacklers and they made us work for every metre gained, all the

players kept running forward despite sometimes getting hurt. Keep up the effort boys, well done.

Greg Erofeyeff, Coach



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U8 Whites - Strong Against Federals



Our Mighty Man of the Match Ryan Smith [left].

The Enfield Federals White profess that they have not lost a game all season. They are looking forward to the Benny Elias Shield to prove it.

Our boys battled hard but were nothing against the overpowering Federals who also featured some

powerful players from the Black team we played a couple of weeks back.

So in the face of adversity our boys did what they do best and nothing stood out more than their holding up no less

than three would-be try-scorers from putting the ball down when they were over the line. Marvellous defence!

Each an every player contributed to this game, so a big rap to all the boys for their efforts.

Some standout plays included Luke and Jai's great runs with the ball; Charlie's terrific defence, Nathan's amazing game - brilliant in attack and defence (best game this season); and Cameron's try-saver taking the player out.

But no one tops our Man of the Match this week. Not only a superb game this week, Ryan puts in consistently week in week out, with the



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added challenge of not being able to wear his glasses onto the field. Just awesome Ryan!

To coin a phrase used by the Hawks Coaching Coordinator, if you make the tackles, the tries will come.

A good message for our Mighty U8s.

Narelle Randell, Manager

U11s - Massive Effort!

We're almost there! Our Under 11 Dream Team took on Five Dock RSL this past Sunday at Goddard Park in between the wind, rain, cold and sun to end in a deadlock draw 12-12.

Our boys and girl hung in there, well done team! Our boys and girl are looking for their first 1st division win, and the writer is sensing that this is not far off....keep at it team, we WILL get there!

We have a man of the match this week that should be very pleased with himself, and very well deserved, as our **David** put a try over the line just at the bell, and that combined with conversion from **Ronnie** tied the game to the delight of the Hawks supporters, well done **David**!

Our other try was scored by **Daniel** and the conversion by **Jack**, and our **Max** was in fine form again with his runs and landing the opposition firmly on their backsides, the writer likes this habit, **Max**, keep it

up! ☺

Special mention this week has to go to **Ollie** who soldiered on, as a trooper does, after being down with the stomach flu for the past week and played a magnificent game, thanks **Ollie**!

Lachie, one half of our duo of double trouble had a great game this week, great work **Lachie**! The writer has to acknowledge Big **Nick** on the sidelines with his big cast on his arm, thanks for coming down to cheer the boys and girl on **Nick**!

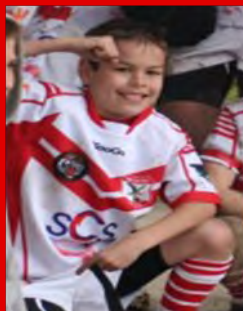
Ronnie was in true thinking mode this week with his play-making, **Cooper** played a great game as did **Josie**, **Steve** and **Hugh**! Welcome back to **Bailey**, great to see you back from your holiday and back on the field ☺

Points this week:

3 – **David**

2 – **Steve** and **Max**

1 – **Ronnie**



Champion effort by Man of the Match David Copnall.

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Thank you to our illustrious North Ryde Hawks committee for putting on such a great night last Friday night at the White and Red Dinner, me-thinks a good time was had by all!

The writer, and on behalf of all the parents of our Under 11 Dream Team would like to thank **Coach Bee** and the **Two Robs** for their usual tireless efforts (and of course patience ☺) with our kids! See you next week..... and a wish of luck to our Dream Team this Sunday when they take on Leichhardt Wanderers - **Never ever give in and never give up!**

HAWKS HAWKS MIGHTY HAWKS!

Heidi Ryan, Mother and slightly less Avid Fan (after two big nights out!)

U12 Reds - Hawks 20 def Concord-Burwood 0



**Max Picca-
Campbell on
the burst.**

The coach was a bit nervous heading into round fourteen. It was a game that we needed to win to stay in touch with the top four. Concord won the contest in the first round, the only loss the 12 Reds have had over the last two seasons by any other team than the top two sides.

I am happy to say that the Hawks all played well! **Jett Allen** and **Jack Beale** particularly in stepping up into the forwards covering the second row position while Hamish is out.

Anthony El Koura who continues to improve each week

and **Shannon Condon** both had outstanding games. Shannon's length of the field chase to save a certain try, just rewards and proof that you should Never-Ever give up! A good game also by man of the match **Scott Baxter**, showing great vision and backing up the ball all day.

It wasn't our prettiest win this year but a good result came our way with some good solid teamwork. Great Concord defence in the second half put an end to what could have been a runaway score line. The Hawks had plenty of possession but were only able to cross the line once in the second

half.

The Hawks should be very proud of themselves! The boys have only allowed two tries in against them in the past three matches. The improvement in defence is a real credit to them and the teamwork that they have found of late!

Next week is the big test and the boys only need to believe in themselves just like the coach and all the Mum's and Dad's do! I look forward to seeing the boys play the best football that they can and we can worry about the score later!

Match day Captain: Jack Bell

Man of the Match: Scott Baxter

Tries: Eddie Frankish x2, Zac Murray, Max Campbell

Conversions: Jack Bell, Jack Beale

Dave Murray, Coach



Captain's Report

The game started with a minute silence just before kick off. Within 5 minutes we packed down for a scrum these becoming a familiar part of our games. The ball was passed out to Eddie with his lightning speed he scored our first try of the game. Lucky for us their number 15 dropped the ball over the line when tackled by Shannon after running the length of the field. During the game we passed the ball and our forwards ran well and we scored another 3 tries. Man of the match this week was Scotty Baxter. Thanks to Julie for sitting at the table and the ref this week was OUTSTANDING!! Get well soon Hamish!!

U12 Whites Give it All



**Juan Amaya
charges at
the line.**

The ever diligent whites ran out on the field, heads held high and hoping for a win.

Concord Burwood had not won a game this year and as the whites beat them in the first round of the season our confidence **cont'd...**



cont'd...was high and a win was greatly wanted by not only our players but by the parents, supporters, trainers and the ever morose coach Denis.

The boys slowly warmed up and once they had a feel for it they took off, playing good football.

The weather was a bit of an indication of how the game was going, it was cold, hot, rainy and sunny! The boys were down 8 nil at the end of the first half. After a half time exhortation speech meant to instil enthusiasm and bolster morale, the boys ran out like a super-charged internal combustion engine full of ambient pressure and ready to let off steam and that they did giving it all they could.

Tyson took off and scored making it 8-4 and the combustion engine was burning and wanting more. Jordan, Will and Ryan had some good fast runs.

Michael and Marley made some metres and displayed some great defence.

Robbie, Jeremy and Omid tackled hard and stopped the opposition from getting the win they so badly wanted too !

Reece had a lot more ball possession this game and we saw some hard runs from him and also from Tyson and Juan.

All of this team work paid off with Tyson going over and after Jeremy's conversion it was now 8 all.

Charlie, Damon and Jarad defended superbly with everyone just wanting to get their hands on the ball and try to make the magic happen.

But time and time again it came unstuck, however these boys don't buckle under pressure they just keep trying !

It was nail biting stuff as the boys got white line fever at the end of the second half and unfortunately there were mistakes and penalties as the pressure mounted.

They gave all they could but they just could not get it over and the game was a draw at 8 all.

This writer along with all the other parents and supporters were so proud with how the boys performed today, with every member of the team seemingly taking it up a notch this week . It was good to see coach Denis with a smile as he knew how hard they tried !

Rampaging Reece Manning as he was aptly named on Sunday at the wrap up by the great RR was our Man of the Match.

Susie Manning, Mother & Avid Fan



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U14s - Wanderers Ground the HAWKS

A week is a long time in Rugby League. A week after scoring 50 points we struggled against the Wanderers. Again it was like having 19 players who had never met, there was no intensity, limited talk and no willingness to run straight.

The first half performance was the worst I have ever seen by the team, in attack we couldn't cross halfway, although we did run enough metres to get there, they were sideways metres and we lacked direction.

While our defence held out for the majority of the half there were too many one on one missed tackles that needed to be cleaned up. In the 2nd half while things did improve a little it was a mistake ridden half, where the simple

things we have worked on all year just didn't happen. We continued to run sideways and not play as a team and we were easy pickings for the Wanderers. Our only try come from a charge down by Josh C who passed the ball to Barakat and then to Mo who scored next to the sticks, to be converted by Zac.

Luckily we did have few players who really did their best to lift the Team, with Josh Xavier having a sterling game on the left wing, Andrew Bowmans service from dummy half. Mo and Barakat also worked themselves to a standstill under difficult circumstances (ramadan). The M.O.M and a unanimous choice by the coach, trainers, and manager was Josh

Condon, while I may be biased his defence was non-stop and brutal and time after time hit the ball up the middle with little or no support.

In fact in this game I was out-coached by the Wanderers, they kicked away from Tom targeting our not so tall wingers, Targeted Josh C in defence, and run numbers a Zac and Nelson out wide, so I'll learn from that and we'll move forward. And if that means shuffling a few players around to deal with such situations, then that's what will happen for the team. We are three games out from the Semi's , we are currently 4th, had we won last week we would have been 2nd that's how close it is. I plead that **cont'd...**

Cont'd...we can come to training (weather permitting) and for that time be **willing** to train, maybe even learn and try and gel as a team. There are two sayings that ring true for this team,

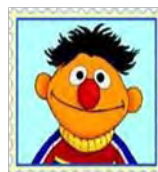
"It's not all about winning, but you don't train to lose"

"Tackling isn't about technique, it's about attitude, you

have to want to tackle to be able to."

Now for the good news, after weeks of pleading and hours of compiling the final presentation of the numbers and facts regarding our lack of home games we have been granted access to TG Millner for a HOME Game (again weather permitting). A huge crowd is

expected to welcome the Under 14's to TG Millner and I hope that will be enough to bring the best out in this very very talented team.



Ernie, Coach

"Tackling isn't about technique, it's about attitude, you have to want to tackle to be able to."

U16s - Hard Day at the Office

North Ryde Hawks vs Milperra Colts Lost 10-20. It was a hard day at office for all today.

There are a number of things we need to work on in the coming weeks to once again make us the force I know we are.

Today, in a lot of ways, did not go our way.

Have I lost faith, NO? Do I still

think you will win this comp? YES.

Unfortunately no matter what I think or how much I try, I cannot get out there and guide you around the field.

This week we will train and next Sunday, at TG Millner, we will come prepared to play Berala Bears.

Hold your heads up, we still have

plenty of time to get to where we need to be.

See you all there next Sunday.

Tries: Jordan, Cameron

Goals: Matt T

Man of the Match: Next week.

Sommo, Coach

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Bundy Cup - Missing in Action



Ali Musri
trying to
break the
defence.

Burwood North Ryde United played Auburn last Sunday at T.G. Milner. United came into the game on the back of some good results and it looked like things were only going to get better with the prospect of fielding their strongest side of the season.

It wasn't to be however as the team changed drastically leading up to the game with Joe Uluibau and Trent Touma being called into the Wests Magpies side, two big Wests props who were making their debut for United pulling out with injury.

As well as that a Wests Tigers Toyota Cup prop failed a medical the night before the game, boom youngster Brodie Monroe unable to play through illness and our playmaker doing a no show.

I guess you can say the side was unsettled as last minute reshuffles and two emergency A-Grade players called up and arriving as the game kicked off made it look like not United's day.

As expected with all the chaos leading up to kick off United gave a lacklustre display with moments

of excitement in attack only being ruined by soft defence. Best for United was Sione Fakahua, Beau Bovis and Kele Niusere who looked dangerous every time he had the ball. Next week United play defending champions Cabramatta.

Auburn 32 defeated Burwood North Ryde United 20.

Tries: Joe Flint, Kele Niusere, Keanu Rogers and Hamilton Hughes

Goals: Hamilton Hughes 2

Dally M Points:

Sione Fakahua 3

Kele Niusere 2

Andrew Emelio 1

Aaron Zammit, Coach



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