



**12<sup>th</sup> August, 2008**

***PERTH BAYSWATER JUNIOR RUGBY UNION CLUB***

***NEWSLETTER***

If you would like to go on our email list or if you have any information for the newsletter including match reports please email [robbie@hillarysresort.com.au](mailto:robbie@hillarysresort.com.au) by **12 noon** each Wednesday.

**Nominations for 2009 Committee**

Nominations are now been called for next year's junior committee. Nomination forms will be available from Thursday and the cut off date for nominations is the 28<sup>th</sup> August. Please see Katie or Natalie in the clubhouse for nomination forms.

**Finals support**

If you are free this Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August, our first grade team are playing in the semi final at Perry Lakes from 3pm. All support would be greatly appreciated and welcomed.

**Presentation Day**

Just a friendly reminder that the Junior Presentation Day will be on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> September. More information will follow in the next couple of weeks.

## Team Photos

A big reminder that team photos are being taken in the clubrooms on either 7 or 14 August. See attached list for when teams are scheduled to have photo taken. If a child knows they are going to miss their selected date - then please talk to their coach/manager and rescheduling may occur. If a headshot is to be inserted into the photo of an absent player - there is an additional cost.

Full playing strip must be worn.

### Thursday 7 August

Under 11 Black	5.20pm
Under 12 Black	5.30
Under 12 White	5.40
Under 7 White	5.50
Under 10 White	6.00
Under 7 Black	6.10
Under 15	6.20
Under 16	6.30

### Thursday 14 August

Under 11 Numbats	5.20pm
Under 10 Black	5.30
Under 8	5.40
Under 9	5.50
Under 14	6.00
Under 6 White	6.10
Under 6 Black	6.20
Under 13	6.30

## **MATCH REPORTS**

### **U 16's Round 11 Perth Bayswater 36 def Wests Subiaco 22**

Coming into the game after a bye the previous week, the boys were keen to put into practice all they had been preparing over the past couple of weeks. The conditions game was played in glorious sunshine, but a stiff north easterly breeze made judging the ball in the air quite tricky at times.

We went into half time leading 29 – 0 with the lads having put on their slickest performance of the season to date. They constantly attacked the opposition line with fast, hard running and swift ball movement and Wests had no answer to the onslaught.

Whatever was said in the Wests camp at half time certainly had an effect as they took to the field with a different mindset and they had us on the backfoot almost immediately. They ran in 22 unanswered points to trail 22 – 29 with 5 minutes to play, but to our boys credit they pulled together with a huge collective effort to score a last gasp try to secure the win.

In the second half the boys either missed or let slip a number of tackles which created try scoring opportunities for Wests. This is a facet of the game that was noted in the after match address.

Congratulations to Kieran on his outstanding effort as the best player

## **U 15's Round 11 Rockingham 41 def Perth Bayswater 14**

This was a match that Perth needed to win to cement a place in the top four, however it was not to be. A cold, windy but fine day greeted us at the new Rockingham ground, one which proved hard to find for many of our players. A less than ideal preparation appeared forgotten as Perth took it up to the powerful Rockingham forwards. Ten minutes into the match and slick ball movement through the backs allowed Hemi Chase to cut through the defence and score his 21st try of the season, which was duly converted by Jackson Condren. This seemed to spur Rocky into action and a strong lineout and good drive through our defence put them on the scoreboard. The next ten minutes was a tense struggle, with the opposition attacking our line repeatedly. Finally, something had to give and they crossed for another converted try a few minutes from half time. Again, Rockingham attacked and missed tackles allowed them to stroll over for their third try.

The second half proved to be a mirror image of the first, with Rocky again attacking strongly and scoring a try two minutes into the half. Perth stepped up their efforts, and good work at the breakdown allowed Alex Preston to break through and score (converted again by Jackson). Rockingham increased their pressure, scoring again two minutes later. Perth had a number of chances to add to their tally; however all were thwarted by resolute defence from the opposition. Rocky added two more tries, courtesy of several missed tackles, to seal the win.

This match showed where our team is at this season. Whilst at times our game can be superb, at others a lack of commitment to the breakdown, haphazard support for isolated players, poorly executed tackles, and bad positional play exposed our weaknesses against such a well organised and disciplined team. Some of our stronger players are becoming well known to the opposition and we all have to show greater determination in every facet of the game in order for our team to move forward.

We still have an opportunity to make the finals and a strong showing for the last three games of the season will see us in the mix. However, all players must commit to a 100% effort at training. The continued lack of application to drills and skills development will undoubtedly prove to be the difference between winning and losing, as we have seen when we have played the stronger teams in the competition.