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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 by **12 noon** each Wednesday.

2008 Club Yearbook

*The club would like each team to be included in this year's yearbook. A **short** newsy piece, prefer individual players not singled out. Any good photos also (not all can be included).*

Please forward your team's piece to Shari Lovreta on pbrufc@gmail.com ASAP.

Under 16s Premiers – Perth-Bayswater 12 def Associates 5

A BIG congratulations to our boys that won their grand final against Soaks.

After the strong finish to the game last week the team was quietly confident that we could take the game up to Soaks and be more than a match for them. All through the week the emphasis was on each player performing to the best of his ability and giving his all for the team.

The mood at training was upbeat and the boys focused fully on learning the game plan devised by Dean and JT. On Thursday after training we sat down to a team dinner in the clubhouse and there was a great energy and self belief coursing through the group.

Come Saturday by the time the team had gathered at Perry Lakes, a nervously excited group of boys and their mentors set to the task of proving to Soaks and the rest of the competition that we were the premier team for 2008.

The game began with our lads immediately setting Soaks back on their heels by applying unrelenting pressure and for the vast majority of the first stanza the game was played in the opposition half. There was some early excitement when Alex C almost made it across the line but it was a moment of unbridled joy to all associated with Perth-Bayswater when James E, lurking out on the wing, received a wide pass to score the opening try after 15 minutes. The feeling got better a short time later when a strong forward surge saw Ben ground the ball for a try which Dylan duly converted to take the score to 12-0 on the stroke of half time.

The second half was a dour defensive struggle with all players scrapping and tackling as though their lives depended on it. Our forwards really applied their strength to the task and were able to poach and steal the ball on a couple of vital occasions when Soaks looked to have the run of the ball, and the backs maintained their composure to also repel some threatening attacking forays by the Soaks boys. With about 10 minutes remaining Soaks finally breached the defensive line to score a try to bring the score to 12-5.

The last minutes of the game were extremely tense and the support from the sidelines for our lads was absolutely deafening at times. When the referee blew his whistle to signal the end of the game, there was a surge of relief from the sidelines followed by unmitigated joy and happiness that we had finally achieved the ultimate prize – the 2008 Premiership.



2008 Junior Presentation Day

Held at the Morley Rec Centre and then the clubhouse, a great afternoon was had by all. All players received a trophy and team photo with coaches and managers presenting team awards. Listed below are the major prize recipients:

Clive Brown Award
Jack Seymour Award
Wally Murphy Award
JT Award

Katie Brown
Sarah Spittal
Lance Clerk
Brian Burgess

A big thank you to Katie for all her organisation of the day, a job well done.



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