



# in touch

KEEPING YOU IN TOUCH WITH YOUR CLUB

**15<sup>th</sup> April 2010**

Off to a largely winning start last weekend. Especially please to see Division Two and Colts U20 start their seasons on a positive note and Division One hammering Shirley. The U20's picked up the Challenge Shield in their win last week.

Our fashion parade on Tuesday night was a big success with 200 mainly ladies "of course" in attendance. As you can imagine Richie was a big hit and in his usual style handled the evening with great aplomb. We are very fortunate to have Richie as a member of our club. We will have some photos of the evening on the website very shortly.

The Crusaders were good! Great defence and composure. Bring on the Cheetahs!

Golf by all accounts was also an excellent day but numbers were down. Next year we are going to need greater support from members for this event to continue.

This Sunday (18<sup>th</sup> April) is our Bowls Tournament at the Edgeware Bowling Club. A great day for teams to have some fun and develop some camaraderie.

No sign of Dave Compost and Sideline Sam yet.....must still be posing in his "smugglers" on the Gold Coast! No wait....late breaking news – Sam is back!!!!

Some good games down at Christchurch Park this Saturday – there has been one change that affects the draw originally put to press on Tuesday – Div 3 are now playing at 1.00pm. Forecast again great for Saturday.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Give 'em the Axe

Best Regards  
Bob

<b>CBS Metro Competition</b>			
<b>Our Team:</b>	<b>Versus:</b>	<b>Ground:</b>	<b>Time:</b>
Division One	Marist Albion	CHCH Park 1	2.45pm
Division Two	Burnside	CHCH Park 1	1.00pm
Division Three	Suburbs	Hoon Hay 1	1.00pm
Colts Premier	Lincoln University	Lincoln University 1	1.00pm
Colts (U20)	Sumner	CHCH Park 2	2.45pm
Canardlys	Linwood B	CHCH Park 3	2.45pm
Women	HSOB	CHCH Park 2	1.00pm

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These club newsletters are for everybody so if you have any news, gossip or information please get it to Tanyia (CFC Administrator) by Thursday's 11.00am.

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CRYING TOWEL  
&  
ANZAC DAY CELEBRATIONS



**LINWOOD RUGBY CLUB**

**VS**

**CHRISTCHURCH FOOTBALL  
CLUB**

*Honour members of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps who fought at Gallipoli in Turkey during World War I.*

*Then enjoy the challenge of the Crying Towel Game fought between Linwood and Christchurch Division One teams.*

*Luncheon begins at 11.30am*

*Poppy laying ceremony at 12.50pm*

*Linwood vs Christchurch Colts at 1.00pm*

*Linwood vs Christchurch Division One at 2.45pm*

Tickets are \$20 each and includes lunch and a pint of tap beer or glass of house wine. Tickets must be purchased before Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April. There are no door sales and tickets will not be available after Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April.

PLEASE RSVP to Tanya who will be supplying Linwood with the attendance list. You will need to contact Tanya before 22<sup>nd</sup> April to confirm your attendance BUT also arrange payment to her in the office. Linwood will have a list of paid attendees in case you forget your ticket.

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### **SIDELINE SAM is Back.... Had a temporary identity crisis I might add!**

Well another rugby season began on Saturday under clear blue, yet cold skies and it bodes well for the Club with the exception of one side not on the positive side of the ledger. So well done to those teams. I managed to catch the Colts (premier) side at the Park play Sydenham – great game, and our boys never gave up. Ross and his coaching crew have a good bunch of young guys to work with, and playing Sydenham first-up was the best reality call they could have had. Now they know what they have to do to win this competition. So good luck to this team.

Then onto Burwood Park – that bloody easterly made watching decidedly unpleasant and I didn't envy our boys playing in the rock-hard surface. Is water being rationed in Christchurch? Too big, too strong, too fast and too organised. ChCh was up 26 – 0 after 16 minutes then the shape of the match tended to disintegrate.....One way traffic and it was a just the question what was going to be the final score. It was pleasing that our line wasn't crossed, but 47 – zip – no contest! A couple of observations.....

Is Hadleigh on steroids?

Trentie (senior) was more excited on the sideline than Richard was playing his first game for Div.1

Should there be a one game cap on the penalties dished out by a senior ref?

Good to see the "old war-horse" Norge running around like a young colt late in the second half.

Congrats to Brad & Dwayne in their new signings for Div.1 - there's some talent within our new boys.

Good to see Patto turn up and cheer on the boys – by all accounts he's enjoying the Hurricane's environment.

I thought there was only 2 inevitable things in life – income taxes & death – now add another - the annual increases in CFC bar prices.....!!!

Marist this week at CFC – give me the axe!

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FROM DIV ONE MANAGEMENT.....

Well. What a start! The win against Shirley last weekend has got us off to a flyer.

The first game of the season is always a little nerve wracking as we wait for evidence of successful planning and preparation during the pre-season. This year the wait lasted less than 60 seconds as pressure applied to the Shirley forward pack at kick off and strong direct running by Jason Merrett and Keiran Fonotia from the subsequent lineout led to a try to Hadleigh Parkes. Jason kicked the conversion. 7 nil and we were still getting the subs bench organised.

The remainder of the half went much the same way. When Shirley had the ball, good work in our defensive line meant they could do little with it. Our loose forwards, Matt Todd, Gary Redmond and Sam Dampney, were effective in slowing down Shirley ball and stopping their runners behind the advantage line. In the end they had few opportunities in our 22 and were regularly turned over.

The turnover's and domination at lineout time gave us plenty of time with the ball. Domination at scrum time took a bit longer but it did come eventually with two of the tight 5, lock Joel Everson and prop Richard Trent, putting in good efforts in their first game at this level.

That ball was turned into points. Carrying on from the first try, Jason Merrett and Kieran Fonotia just ran at Shirley and consistently made the advantage line. That gave the outside backs plenty of opportunity. Within 10 minutes of kick-off right wing Matt Thatcher had scored our second try and then within 20 minutes we had the four try bonus point after further tries to Jason and our fullback Sam Monaghan. Jason had also added 3 conversions.

After the 20 minute mark the game started to settle. The combination of the Shirley defensive effort improving as they found their feet and the regular flow of penalties as players came to terms with the new rule interpretations meant that we spent less time with the ball. However, to our credit the team stuck to the game plan and put themselves in position to capture opportunities as they came.

By half time Hadleigh had added to his tally and the score had pushed out to 33 nil.

After half time, it was business as usual. We contained Shirley when they had the ball (despite the injection of ex-Highlander and Scotland International Brendon Laney into full back) and when we had the ball we generally created danger for them. A clever grubber kick by replacement first five, Tim Bateman, saw replacement half back, Baydon Phillips, back on the score sheet in his first competition game back for the club since 2008 and Sam Monaghan added to his tally by scoring again later in the match. Both tries were successfully converted by replacement goal kickers, Hadleigh and Sam.

The final score was 47 nil.

With good performances across the park choosing the player of the day was a bit of a sticky one. In the end, Brad and Dwayne settled on Jason Merrett, although it was a close run thing with Matt Todd. As well as Richard and Joel, Kieran and, halfback Nick Roulston, played their first games for the team and were duly awarded their ties as the evening's prizegiving.

Overall, it was a particularly satisfying first up performance. Game plans and plays, the set pieces and the defensive line had all been given strong work outs and proven to be effective. The video review of the game by the Coaches highlighted a few "work on's" as you would expect but it also showed that we could go away from this match happy.

This week's Game:

Our first home game this year will be this Saturday against Marist Albion, the only team to beat us last year. Unfortunately they will not be bringing the DCL shield we relinquished in that

game but that will not have any impact on the resolve of the our team. Getting into the right frame of mind this week is not going to be a problem.

If you are able, we hope you will come down to the park. Kick off is 2.45pm.

This Year's Sponsor's:

Anyone who perused last weekend's score lines will see that this year, as with any year, some of our competition have worked hard at "upping" their game over the pre-season. Right from the start of this campaign back in November we have been focused on doing the same to ensure we give ourselves the best shot at winning the title this August. This is not just about having the best available coaching and playing talent it is also about supporting that talent with resources that ensure that talent is at its best every week. That takes money and in an effort to provide sufficient funding we have broadened our sponsorship base through our jersey sponsorship program. Let me introduce you to those business's you will see on the back of our jersey's this year:

1. Benchmark Homes (Richard and Natasha Evans): residential house building (jerseys 1-3)
2. Plumbing World (Robert Campbell): plumbing and bathroom supplies (jersey 12)
3. Bayley's Real Estate (Bob Eastgate): residential house sales (jersey's 9 and 10)
4. Abbott Group (Derrick Abbott): insurance brokers / investment managers (jersey 15)
5. Guthrey Export United Travel (Sandra Toland and Bruce Harris): Travel Agents (jersey 4)
6. Peter Timbs Meats (Chris Timbs): Butchers (jersey 5)
7. Icon Business Solutions (Trevor and Julie Best): Business Advisors (jerseys 6 and 17)
8. Enviro Master (Grant and Michelle Wadley): Heat Pump and Air Conditioning Supply and Installation (jersey 8)
9. PC's Unlimited (John Haward): pc's, laptops and peripherals (jersey 18)
10. Plato Design (John and Lisa Plato): graphic design across all media (jersey 13)
11. Property Advisory Group (Dougal Smith): property valuation and advisory services (jersey 7)
12. Feet n Motion (Nick Haley): Podiatrists (jersey 11)
13. Planit Associates (Dean Chrystal): land use planning and resource management (jersey 14)
14. Aiotec (Shayne and Jeanne Crimp): electronic product design and development (jersey 16)
15. Electrical Supplies 1990 Limited (Craig Grimwood): electrical supplies (jersey 19)
16. Points Sports Management (Brad Moorar): elite athlete agents (jersey 20).

Each week I will be profiling one of these business's. We are very grateful for their contribution. They are a key part of our team and you can be to by making use of our sponsors.

Cheers  
Trevor

## CFC Junior's

<b>JAB</b>			
<b>Our Team:</b>	<b>Versus:</b>	<b>Ground:</b>	<b>Time:</b>
<i>Under 13</i>			
Christchurch Red	Marist Albion	Sth Hagley 4	9.30am
Christchurch Black	Belfast	Sth Hagley 3	9.30am
<i>Under 12</i>			
Christchurch Red	HSOB Gold	Burnside 4	9.30am
Christchurch Black	Belfast	Burnside 3	9.30am
<i>Under 11</i>			
Christchurch Gold	New Brighton	Nunweek 5	9.30am
Christchurch Black	Merivale Papanui	Nunweek 3	9.30am
Christchurch Red	Marist Albion	Nunweek 1	9.30am
<i>Under 10</i>			
Christchurch Red	Merivale/Pap Warriors	Nth Hagley 10	11.00am
Christchurch Black	Suburbs	Nth Hagley 6	9.30am
Christchurch Gold	Lyttelton	Nth Hagley 7	9.30am
Christchurch White	New Brighton Black	Nth Hagley 8	9.30am
Christchurch Yellow	Sumner Stingrays	Nth Hagley 10	9.30am
Christchurch Crystal	Shirley Black	Nth Hagley 69	9.30am
<i>Under 9</i>			
Christchurch Red	Lyttelton	Burnside 9	9.30am
Christchurch Black	Marist Albion	Burnside 10	9.30am
Christchurch White	Sumner Whalers	Burnside 11	9.30am
Christchurch Gold	New Brighton Yellow	Burnside 8	11.00am
Christchurch Silver	Sydenham Red	Burnside 9	11.00am
<i>Under 8</i>			
Christchurch Falcons	Sumner Sharks	Rawhiti 1A	10.15am
Christchurch Black	Sydenham Red	Rawhiti 3	10.15am
Christchurch White	Parklands Orange	Rawhiti 1B	10.15am
Christchurch Gold	New Brighton Yellow	Rawhiti 2A	10.15am
Christchurch Yellow	No game		
<i>Under 7</i>			
Christchurch Red	Sydenham Red	CHCH Park 2B	9.30am
Christchurch Black	Suburbs	CHCH Park 3A	9.30am
Christchurch White	New Brighton Black	CHCH Park 3B	9.30am
Christchurch Gold	Sumner Snappers	CHCH Park 1A	10.15am
Christchurch Yellow	Parklands Orange	CHCH Park 2A	10.15am
Christchurch Silver	Sydenham Blue	CHCH Park 1B	10.15am
<i>Under 6</i>			
Christchurch Red	Marist Albion Black	Sth Hagley 6N	10.15am
Christchurch Black	Parklands Orange	Sth Hagley 6S	10.15am
Christchurch Yellow	St Andrews	Sth Hagley 6N	11.00am
Christchurch White	New Brighton Yellow	Sth Hagley 8S	10.15am
Christchurch Gold	Merivale Papanui	Sth Hagley 7N	10.15am
Christchurch Silver	Sumner 2	Sth Hagley 7S	10.15am
Christchurch Bronze	Sydenham White	Sth Hagley 8N	10.15am

# ESPRESSO COFFEE AVAILABLE GAME DAYS!



The bar/restaurant are will be open and serving Espresso coffees to warm you on those cold winter days. We will be serving Orgazmik Coffee blends (from the Naked Baker) from 11th April.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS: BEING FINALISED NEXT WEEK**