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KEEPING YOU IN TOUCH WITH YOUR CLUB

3rd June 2010

Div One result never in doubt last week. Some might say lucky but I think about 8 or 9 phases and 70m leading up a very well taken try. It shows the character of the lads to get up and win like that.

Don't know about you but the 2010 AB squad doesn't really excite me. What must worry the NZRU and the rest of us is the constant flow of "fringe" players overseas including our own Michael Paterson.

Congratulations and well done Pato who just last week signed for Cardiff. I'm sure you'll do well in Cardiff Pato and on behalf of the Club, best wishes and good luck. Had a nice yarn to Pato this week and he was at pains as it was a huge decision. Two things that swung the deal (not money of course) were the certainty of having a fixed term contract and the overall "life experience". Even if he was lucky enough to be picked for the AB's there is no certainty long term as the All Blacks have used the most players out of any of the top rugby nations to play less than 10 games for them. Doesn't exactly install certainty or trust in the AB set up does it.

Andy Haden is a "cock" but as we know there is "a story behind a story" here and he as we know is correct.

Apparently Israel Dagg is on his way to Canterbury, wouldn't surprise me if Adam Thompson is far behind him. Where does this leave the poor old Highlanders and Otago Rugby. Can they recover?

Got a great photo of Sideline Sam and Compost Dave at last weeks game:



Div Three are still unbeaten and with a bit of luck the weather will play its part and we'll get a full day of rugby in this Saturday.

Always good to see Patron Ken Allsop on the sidelines, never short of a bit of banter, must have been crook last week as he was AWOL which is not like him.

CRFU Metro Competition			
Our Team:	Versus:	Ground:	Time:
Division One	Burnside	CHCH Park 1	2.45pm
Division Two	University	Ilam 1	1.00pm
Division Three	New Brighton Black	Rawhiti 1	1.00pm
Colts Premier	Marist Albion	Middleton 2	12.45pm
Colts U20	Suburbs	CHCH Park 2	2.45pm
Canardlys	Shirley W's	CHCH Park 2	1.00pm
Women	NO GAME THIS WEEK		

I'm off to do some real work now. Need some new listings!!

Give em the axe!
Bob

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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The comments pertained in the correspondence is by individuals and are not reflective of club opinion or policy.

PROFILE:

From this week I will be profiling a member of our club. This week I am pleased to profile Colts Premier Co coach Dean Gage.

Born in Christchurch and moved to the Waikato when just four, rugby mad and educated at Fraser High School and was picked to play for Fraser Tech when just 18 years old. A centre or 2nd 5/8, Dean walked into the dressing room to be greeted by Richard Loe, John Mitchell, Chris Ellis and Duane Monkley. Up until this time he had only seen these gentlemen on TV. He went on to play 122 Division One games for Fraser Tech, winning three Waikato championships and runners up twice.

From Fraser Tech, Dean had a season and a half at Selkirk, coached by John Rutherford. He says he wanted to develop his rugby but all he did was develop his drinking.

A season in Italy with Sandonar, near Venice, which he loved especially the lifestyle: train, eat and drink good wine. Can't do much better than that.

A stint in Ireland in 1997 where he made the Ulster squad. According to Dean, another outstanding experience living in Northern Ireland, some great pubs and plenty of Guinness which he grew to love.

Alas, injuries and old age took over and it was back to Hamilton. Half way through a season he was approached to coach the Fraser Tech Senior Reserves who were struggling, by seasons end they had won the competition.

Three years ago he took over Fraser Tech Div One and was then head hunted to coach Morrinsville Sport which included Brendan Leonard, Duane Sweeney, Sione Luaki and Sitiveni Sitivatu, winning

the Waikato Championship. Dean says for a team like that to win the competition would be like Rangiora winning the CHCH Div One Competition.

A career move to Christchurch with Graeme Love Tannery where he is the plant manager and was recruited by Mike O'Donovan to join our club. Dean emphasizes that he has had great support from the club and especially Mike who has made the move really easy.

Dean has a partner, Olivia (he says very patient) and two young sons: Zion-Bo 2½ years old and Reef who is one.

SIDELINE:

"Got out of jail, leaving things to the last minute, lucky break....." – call it what you like but Div.1 managed to scramble a win against an averagely dogged University side. There was much to forget in this game but let's take some positives. The day was fair, the rain held off, and the ground held up markedly well and considering the week that was, and a good crowd turned up to be entertained in good old fashioned wet weather play. Not to be however, Varsity took it to us and played some good rucker – pleasing to see Steven Brett turn out as well – a little bit of class. Enough said about the game as I said, it was forgettable!

On to other matters:

The Club. I heard through my very good grapevine that the bar / café amenities weren't set up until a few minutes before the game at 2.45pm. Not good enough guys, there were members, guests, and supporters from both CFC and University from about 2.00pm waiting around looking for a drink, a coffee or a pie. Nothing was opened (even the front door) my questions – why/ and what does this say about our club?

Andy Haden: You note all his apologists and sycophants sticking up for this self-promoting bigot – and just where do all these people come from?

All Blacks: Well not too much to argue about as there wasn't that many in the running. Ireland and Wales must see that this is their best opportunity for years to put one over us in the Tests. Time will tell.

Metro Comp: Some interesting results over the weekend including Sumner & Sydenham!!!

Annual Holiday: Sam is off to warmer climes this week so is taking at least a couple of weeks off - sun, sea, surf, and the odd cold one! To all the CFC teams – we're almost into the business end of the season, where fitness, tactics, game plans, confidence and combinations should now be second nature. It's time now to get clinical, to put away oppositions convincingly not by one or two points but by twenty or thirty. It's June now with the weather against you so this heightened skill level, fitness and game awareness should hold you in good stead to progress through your competitions with self-belief and determination to reach your individual finals. Good luck to all.

Give 'em the Axe.

SAM

FROM DIV ONE MANAGEMENT.....

[Late press release tomorrow.....](#)

CFC Junior's

Teams due in this week for Team Nights:

U8 Yellow
U8 White
U8 Gold

Please have your players and parents here no later than 5.30pm.

REMEMBER: EVEN IF THERE IS NO RUGBY ON SATURDAY YOU ARE EXPECTED IN THE CLUBROOMS.

COACHES/MANAGERS: Please remember to text your results each week to the following people:

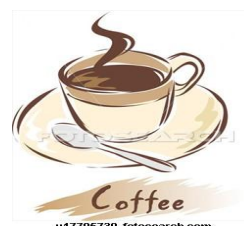
- CRFU JMB Grade Co-coordinator by lunch time Saturday to ensure that your results make Monday's Press.
- the Club cell phone: **0212105042 THIS IS A NEW NUMBER : PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF IT.**
- Your CFC Grade co-ordinator (as we like to know the results for our teams also). You could email this if it is easier....

JAB			
Our Team:	Versus:	Ground:	Time:
<i>Under 13</i>			
Christchurch Red	St Bedes	St Bedes 3	9.00am
Christchurch Black	Sumner Hammerheads	CHCH Park 1	9.45am
<i>Under 12</i>			
Christchurch Red	Sumner	McCormacks Bay 1	11.15am
Christchurch Black Challenge Shield Holder	Sydenham	Sydenham 2	9.45am
<i>Under 11</i>			
Christchurch Gold	Sydenham A	Waltham 1	11.15am
Christchurch Black	New Brighton	CHCH Park 1	11.15am
Christchurch Red	Merivale/Papanui	Jack Ditfort (Nunweek 1)	11.15am
<i>Under 10</i>			
Christchurch Red	Sumner Barraducas	McCormacks Bay 3	10.35am
Christchurch Black	St Andrews	Jeffreys Road	9.45am
Christchurch Gold	Shirley Blue	Burwood 3	10.35am
Christchurch White	Burnside Black	Burnside 9	10.35am
Christchurch Yellow	BYE		
Christchurch Crystal	Burnside Green	Jeffreys Road	11.25am
<i>Under 9</i>			
Christchurch Red	Suburbs	Hoon Hay 5	10.35am
Christchurch Black	Burnside Red	Burnside 9	9.45am
Christchurch White	Marist Albion White	Middleton 3B	10.40am
Christchurch Gold	Sydenham Red	CHCH Park 2A	11.25am
Christchurch Silver	Parklands	Plynlimon Park	10.35am

<i>Under 8</i>			
Christchurch Falcons	Parklands Orange	Jeffreys Road	10.35am
Christchurch Black	Christchurch Gold	CHCH Park 2B	11.25am
Christchurch White	Belfast Gold	CHCH Park 3B	10.35am
Christchurch Gold	Christchurch Black	CHCH Park 2B	11.25am
Christchurch Yellow	Marist Albion Green	Middleton 3A	9.50am
<i>Under 7</i>			
Christchurch Red	Christchurch Black	CHCH Park 3A	10.35am
Christchurch Black	Christchurch Red	CHCH Park 3A	10.35am
Christchurch White	Belfast	Sheldon 5	9.45am
Christchurch Gold	BYE		
Christchurch Yellow	New Brighton Gold	CHCH Park 3B	11.25am
Christchurch Silver	Linwood Black	Plynlimon Park	11.25am
<i>Under 6</i>			
Christchurch Red	Sydenham Red	Waltham 2	9.45am
Christchurch Black	Burnside Green	CHCH Park 2B	10.35am
Christchurch Yellow	Hornby White	Denton 2A	11.25am
Christchurch White	Sumner Penguins	CHCH Park 3B	9.45am
Christchurch Gold	Burnside Black	CHCH Park 3A	9.45am
Christchurch Silver	Sydenham White	Plynlimon Park	9.45am
Christchurch Bronze	Sumner Minnows	CHCH Park 3A	11.25am

TEAM PHOTO NIGHT: JUNE 15th. Times have been sent out to all players. These are **\$10 per child and the monies must be paid on the night.** This is also the night we hand out club raffle tickets to sell. Each child will get one book of 5 tickets: tickets are \$2 each.

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.

CFC Netball

Draw for this week: 5th June

A	New Brighton A	Ct 10	2.10pm
B	Lincoln Uni E	Ct 19	3.05pm
C	CFC E	Ct 18	1.15pm
D	Merlins C	Ct 27	2.10pm
E	CFC C	Ct 18	1.15pm
F	Riccarton C	Ct 19	12.20pm
G	Halswell F	Ct 18	2.10pm
H	Middleton B	Ct 30	10.30am
I	Shirley E	Ct 38	12.20pm