

Round 2 v Hornsby at Waitara Oval

1st grade - Won 47-12
2nd grade - Won 50-7
3rd grade - Lost 3-66
4th grade - Lost 0-19
Costs - Lost 12-19

1st grade

1st grade had a great win against Hornsby at Waitara. We started the afternoon unsure of the 1st XV as several players were unavailable because of sickness and last minute work commitments. However, in true club spirit, several were requested to back up from the lower grades and did so with distinction. Tim Malone has to be mentioned as he coached the mighty Colts with Simon Wood, played all of 3rd grade and backed up playing an entire game in 1st grade. Well done Tim! That is true Newport spirit and I am sure you slept well on Saturday night!

As a coach, I could not be happier with the players. Not for winning (although extremely important), but for the structure to which they played that had me so encouraged and enlightened. We played with all the attributes and poise to make us a great team for the 2009 season. Our game plan, incorporating our defence patterns and moves were played as requested and the players, I am sure, believe that it is a winning formula going forward.

We have many players to come back who are not available to play due to other commitments. Many of those are higher grade players and it is also extremely encouraging that we are getting new players to Newport from other clubs in the area. Welcome to those players and thank you for joining the home of rugby on the Northern Beaches.

Next week sees us taking on those blue and yellow men from St Ives at Porters Reserve. I ask all of our supporters, friends and anyone wanting to be entertained with "fantastic" rugby (as Vice President AJ says) to come along and enjoy the day!

Report by Mike "Hollywood" Andress

2nd grade

In Round 2, we took on the might of Hornsby, who you know will have you feeling sore for the next week to come. It was a hard build up to the game as we were well down on troops - some with flu, others with work commitments - but in true Breakers style guys just kept putting up their hands to go back on (even if there was some moaning)!

Again, we started the game strongly, scoring very early and we continued to go from strength to strength, going in at half-time 4 or 5 tries up. Even though we had a good lead, the second half saw us running up hill and into the breeze, so we still had some fighting to do to secure the win. With 20 minutes to go we had to make some changes so guys could play 1st grade, but by that stage we had scored 6 tries and the game was in the bag.

We brought on Patty Soars in the front row and he played the best 20 minutes of footy he has ever played - he had the sideline stunned! Well done big rig. Leif also

came on and gave the defence plenty of curry with a couple of great breaks. It was a super effort, considering earlier in the day he had spent much of the time on all fours, talking to the grass! Thanks to Flemmo for coming on and doing a top job and to Billy Evans who played the first half due to lack of numbers. The Brooks brothers should also receive special mention, being Colts who were both outstanding and definitely not out of place in 2nd grade. Big Gav also had a fantastic game and just missed out on getting the points.

1 point each went to the Brooks brothers, Lachy and James and to Sean Needs who was hitting holes at lightening speed and will be a real star of this team this year; 2 points went to the ever freakish Moape who was electric at outside centre; 3 points went to Drummo who was at his defence wrecking best, even sliding through a gap like only his shadow should!

The end score of 50-7 sees us on top of the perch in these early rounds. Congratulations guys! Let's keep this momentum going and have our greatest season yet!

Report by Adam Smyth

3rd grade

3rd grade had a very tough weekend, mostly due to players having to back up from both Colts and 4th grade. This is asking a lot from those players who, in some cases, played near three games for the day. In saying this, not one player took a step backwards in effort or determination. A big thank you to those players for supporting the club with pride. Next week at home will see more players available and we look forward to a big performance against St Ives.

4th grade

4th grade, comprising mostly Colts players with a few older heads, are holding their heads high with competitive rugby, also narrowly losing on the weekend.

Colts

It started off as a hard day at Hornsby with the Colts losing narrowly to the Hornsby lads. The first 2 rounds have been closely fought - losing Round 1 by one point to Oatley and seven points to Hornsby. There is no doubt the team will kick home many wins this year on the road to the semis with the spirit and enthusiasm shown by all of the players - it is great to see.