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2008 season preview

Wildcat's Website: <http://www.warnervalewildcats.com.au>

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 2008 season is fast approaching and we have many things to organize. We have selected our committee, coaches, managers, trainers and other volunteer positions. Our biggest fund raiser during the year is our Game Day BBQ and food van and we would again ask that all teams follow the roster and everyone give an hour or two during the year to help the club.

We will again use the Jungle Telegraph and our website to communicate to our players, parents and sponsors and look forward to receiving feedback with suggestions on how we can make continual improvements to running our club. Anyone can contact me directly on 0416275760 to discuss any issue.

Please support our players, coaches and managers during the year. If you would like to volunteer to be on the club committee, or perhaps a referee, please let me know straight away. I continually hear our supporters giving advice to referees and officials on how to run the game and would suggest that becoming a referee would be a fantastic thing to do.

Due to council restrictions we will be using Hannan's Oval for pre-season training and games and then transfer to Warnervale Oval after the 1st of April. Some teams will remain at Hannan's Oval for training. On behalf of the club I have passed on our many thanks to David Hannan for his generosity. Please consider shopping or dining at Warnies to show your personal appreciation to David and his team. Our new grounds at Hakone Rd will be ready during the 2009 season.

The Rugby Ball will again be a highlight of the social calendar with other events such as trivia nights and sponsors days adding to our off field activities. The Wildcat's Golf Classic will be held on April 11th at Magenta Shores.

On behalf of the Wildcats please have a Merry Christmas and Happy and Safe New Year

Go Wildcats

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MEDIA RELEASE

Monday 10th December 2007

Gordon Ogilvie appointed Wildcat's Club Coach

Gordon Ogilvie has been appointed to the position of Warnervale Wildcats Club Coach, the Warnervale Rugby Union announced today. The decision of the Wildcats executive follows interviews with Gordon based on appointing a very experienced rugby coach to guide the club through their next phase of development.

Wildcats President John McNamara said the executive was very impressed with the interviews and discussions regarding the new position which will provide purposeful direction and mentoring of all club coaches.

"At the end of the process, the executive concluded that Gordon was the best candidate for the position," he said.

Mr McNamara said the appointment decision was based on Gordon's remarkable results during his time at the Gordon Rugby Club in the 1990's and his ability to guide and motivate players such as Sterling Mortlock through their rugby development. This is the experience we need at the Wildcats at this time.

"We are also very pleased to announce that Paul Sinclair has been appointed 1st Grade coach for 2008 and will be working closely with Gordon to develop the 1st XV into a competitive and winning team. The strength of the club will depend on the depth of talent we have and we are pleased that a great number of players are returning to the club."

"We believe that appointing Gordon, Paul and their team is the right choice and in the best interests of the Wildcats."

"I'm very excited with this opportunity to develop and happy to help guide the Wildcats through this period of growth," Gordon said.

"Building on what has happened over the first seven years, we will create a stronger and more successful club over the next few years. My experiences at Gordon Rugby Club are well suited to the Wildcats and the executive are fully supportive of my plans."

WEBSITE



Don't forget to visit our website for the latest information from the Wildcats. Our website address is:

<http://www.warnervalewildcats.com.au>

You will see links to the Wildcat's Cricket, Netball and Austag clubs.

If you know of anyone who would like to join the Wildcats Netball club for next season, the club will be having their registration days on the same day as the Rugby.



2008 SENIORS DRAW

ROUND	Match Day	Home team		Away team	Venue
1	Saturday, 5 April 2008	Warnervale	V	Gosford	Warnervale Oval
2	Saturday, 12 April 2008	Bye	V	Warnervale	
3	Saturday, 19 April 2008	Warnervale	V	Terrigal	Warnervale Oval
4	Saturday, 26 April 2008	Northlakes	V	Warnervale	Slade Park
5	Saturday, 3 May 2008	Woy Woy	V	Warnervale	Woy Woy Oval
6	Saturday, 10 May 2008	Warnervale	V	Kariong	Warnervale Oval
7	Saturday, 17 May 2008	Warnervale	V	The Entrance	Warnervale Oval
8	Saturday, 24 May 2008	Avoca Beach	V	Warnervale	Heazlett Reserve
9	Saturday, 31 May 2008	Warnervale	V	Ourimbah	Warnervale Oval
	Saturday, 7 June 2008	General Bye			
					Carrington Street Oval
10	Saturday, 14 June 2008	Gosford	V	Warnervale	
11	Saturday, 21 June 2008	Warnervale	V	Bye	
12	Saturday, 28 June 2008	Terrigal	V	Warnervale	The Haven
13	Saturday, 5 July 2008	Warnervale	V	Northlakes	Warnervale Oval
14	Saturday, 12 July 2008	Warnervale	V	Woy Woy	Warnervale Oval
15	Saturday, 19 July 2008	Kariong	V	Warnervale	Kariong Oval
	Saturday, 26 July 2008	General Bye			
16	Saturday, 2 August 2008	The Entrance	V	Warnervale	Joseph Banks Oval
17	Saturday, 9 August 2008	Warnervale	V	Avoca Beach	Warnervale Oval
18	Saturday, 16 August 2008	Ourimbah	V	Warnervale	Ourimbah Rugby Park
	Saturday, 23 August 2008	MINOR SEMI		Woy Woy Oval	
	Saturday, 30 August 2008	MAJOR SEMI		Woy Woy Oval	
	Saturday, 6 September 2008	Preliminary FINAL		Woy Woy Oval	
	Saturday, 13 September 2008	GRAND FINAL		Blue Tongue Stadium	



We all hope that Central Coast Juniors can get their act together next year and provide a draw that is fair and equitable for everyone. We also hope we get the junior draw well before the season starts and it does not keep changing.

FUNDRAISING

1) 100 CLUB.

100 tickets will be sold at \$100.00 each prior to the first competition match.

1st Prize is \$2,000.00 travel voucher drawn after the 10th week; 10 x \$100.00 weekly prizes.

Each 100 club member receives a numbered cap which is their individual number for the 1st prize draw.

2) SENIORS GAME DAY BUSINESS PROMOTION

This promotion is for large businesses wishing to promote their services and products to everyone who attends a Wildcats rugby game. They can set up their stand near the canteen van for maximum exposure.

3) RACE DAY

We plan to arrange a race day for mid week in May or July. Businesses can purchase the naming right to a race. Individuals can purchase race day tickets to the official function area which includes drinks and food.

4) GAME DAY RAFFLES

We need volunteers to sell raffle tickets at each home game.



CLUB GEAR

We will be releasing a new line of Wildcat's supporters gear before next season. Keep an eye out for the catalogue and show the club colors at each game.

2008 REGISTRATION DAYS

The 2008 registration days will be Saturday 2nd and Saturday 9th February 2008 from 1pm to 4pm at Warnervale Oval. New players will require their birth certificate. The 2008 fees have not been set as yet. We will let everyone know as soon as they are confirmed.

SEASON PREVIEW

All senior coaches, managers and players are invited to the season preview on Saturday 2nd February at 4pm to 5pm at Warnervale Oval. After the preview we will have a BBQ and drinks.

Other senior grade information:

- The first official training night will be Tuesday 5th February
- Training will start at 6.30pm – on time – and run for one and a half hours
- Gordon and Paul expect all players to turn up fit and ready to play rugby
- Phil Dyson is 1st XV manager
- Off season fitness training will involve Touch Football at Hannan's Oval and fitness sessions at Soldiers Beach. For more details please contact Paul or Phil.

SOCIAL EVENTS

The DRAFT 2008 Social Events calendar is:

1) Wildcats War 2008 Paintball Day - Date TBA (pre-season) - \$55pp includes entry, lunch & first 100 paintballs to be launched soon. (must be 16 or over)

2) Ladies only China Town & Paddys Markets tour (details TBC)

3) 2008 Wildcats Ball - Casino Royale (Casino night also featuring musical entertainment from The Shades) - Saturday 19th July 2008 - Wyong Leagues Club ticket cost TBA

4) Possible Irish night to coincide with Wallabies / Ireland Test (venue TBC but possibly Wallarah Bay)

TRYELLA 1st XV 1st try scorer

The 1st XV **TRYELLA** tickets will be sold at \$300 a ticket for the season of senior home games. Each ticket holder must be at the home game to collect the prize. Any profits from the Tryella will go towards running of the senior grade teams.

The number draw will take place at half time of the reserve grade game. Ticket holder names will already be placed on a board in random order and the numbers of the 1st XV will be drawn and placed on the board from top to bottom as they are drawn out. This number draw will take place at every home game so you will get different players each game.

To win, your number needs to be the same as the 1st Wildcat's try scorer. The winning ticket/number combination will collect \$100 [plus 4 beers]. If a try is not scored by the Wildcats 1st XV it will jackpot to the next home game.

See Phil Dyson to secure a ticket for the season. First in, first served. Only 15 tickets available.



TALKING SUCCESS

... with Club Coach Gordon Ogilvie



*our purpose is to be
a great rugby club, on & off the field*



We shall have a great 2008 season and to this end I would ask the following -

- * please come down and make a contribution beginning late January*
- * please bring a friend along*
- * please run/exercise at least 3 – 4 times a week between now & then*
- * please be fit to train*

These are the changes you can expect –

- * we will be working as hard on our attitudes & thinking game as anything else*
- * we will start & finish on time*
- * our practice sessions will be fun & action oriented*
- * you will be properly & effectively coached*
- * you will learn something every time we get together*
- * we are geared for success*
- * your effort & voluntary participation will be appreciated*
- * your skills, fitness and strategic game will improve*
- * you will learn to win*

I look forward to meeting you all and sharing the journey.



*Until one is committed, there is hesitance,
the chance to draw back, always ineffectiveness.
Concerning all acts of initiative (and creation),
there is one elementary truth,
the ignorance of which kills countless ideas and splendid plans:
that the moment one definitely commits oneself, then Providence moves too.*

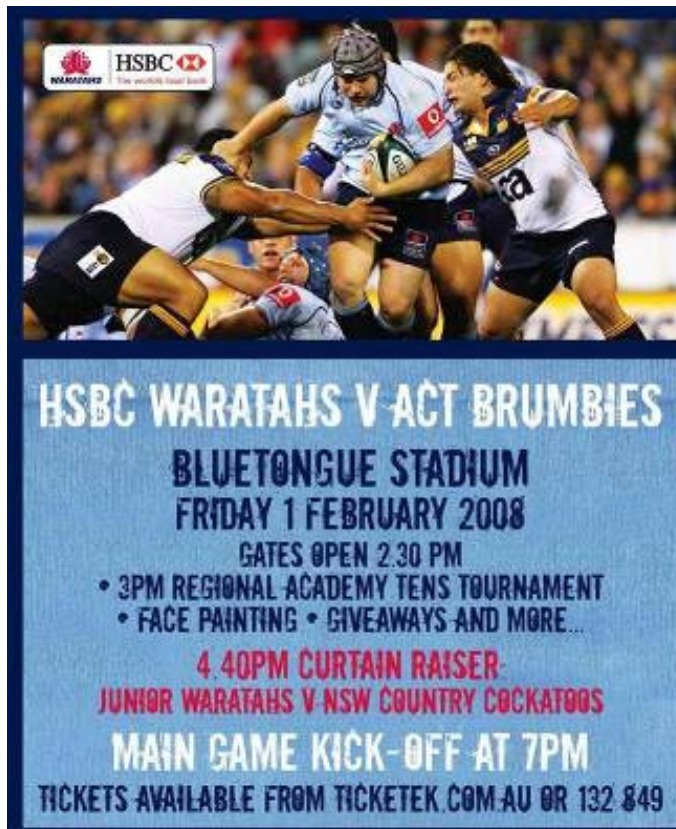
*All sorts of things occur to help one that would never otherwise have occurred.
A whole stream of events issues from the decision,
raising in one's favour all manner of unforeseen incidents and meetings and material assistance,
which no man could have dreamed would have come his way.*

RUGBY
THE THINKING GAME

*“Success is the progressive realisation of worthwhile goals,
whilst being well adjusted.”*

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SANZAR Media Release
Tuesday, 4 December 2007 - 11.30am AEDT

EXPERIMENTAL LAW VARIATIONS SET TO SPICE UP 2008 SUPER 14

Spectators and fans will witness a quicker and more exciting brand of rugby in 2008, following a decision by the South African, New Zealand and Australian Rugby Unions (SANZAR) to adopt a range of the Experimental Law Variations (ELVs) for the 2008 Super 14 competition.

The variations adopted by SANZAR for the 2008 Super 14 relate to the Laws governing:

- Posts and flags around the field
- Inside the 22 metre line
- Lineout
- Breakdown (tackle/post tackle)
- Scrum
- Sanctions

The primary aim of the ELVs is to keep the ball in play longer, with fewer stoppages and more running rugby, thereby creating a more free-flowing, faster and exciting style of play.

The ELVs also make the game simpler to understand, for players and spectators alike.

Developed at Stellenbosch University in South Africa, the ELVs have already been successfully trialed in the Stellenbosch Hostel League, New Zealand's provincial Men's B competition, Australian Rugby Championship, Sydney and Brisbane club competitions and the UK.

Australian Rugby Union Deputy CEO, Matt Carroll said the decision by SANZAR to adopt a number of the ELVs for the 2008 Super 14 will ensure the competition is at the forefront of the game.

"The 2008 Super 14 presents an exciting opportunity to trial the IRB Experimental Law Variations so as to add significantly to the quality of the competition," he said.

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"The ELVs we are trialing have received very favorable reviews in all of the trials conducted so far and the 2008 Super 14 is a unique chance to expose spectators and fans across the globe to the benefits of the new laws."

"Most importantly, the ELVs will make the tournament more enjoyable and entertaining for all involved."

New Zealand Rugby Union Deputy CEO, Steve Tew said: "The IRB asked SANZAR to trial the ELVs and we are happy to do that. It will be the highest level of rugby competition at which they have been trialled, which is exciting."

"The trial of the ELVs in our Men's B competition saw a more open game and the variations we are trialling were positively received by our players, coaches and referees."

South African Rugby Union Managing Director, Jonathan Stones said: "The South African Rugby Union welcomes the ELVs for the 2008 Super 14. The move to play under the ELVs will be very beneficial for the game and will create a greater and much more exciting spectacle."

The 2008 Super 14 kicks off on Friday, 15 February.

Experimental Law Variations to be applied in the 2008 Super 14

1 Posts and flags around the field (ARC variation)

- Corner posts will be positioned at the outside junction of the goal line and the touch line.
 - If a player is in possession of the ball and touches a corner post he will not be in touch unless he touches the touchline or the ground beyond the touchline.
 - If the ball is not being carried by a player and it touches the corner post the ball will be deemed to be touch in goal.

2 Inside the 22 metre line

- When a defending player receives the ball outside the 22 metre line and passes, puts or takes the ball back inside the 22, the following can occur.
- If the ball is then kicked directly into touch, the lineout is in line with where the ball was kicked.
- If a tackle, ruck or maul is subsequently formed and the ball is then kicked directly into touch, the lineout is where the ball crossed the touch line.

3 Lineout

- On a quick throw in, the ball can be thrown straight or backwards towards the defenders goal line, but not forward towards the opposition goal line.

4 Breakdown (tackle/post tackle)

- Players entering the breakdown area must do so through the gate.
- Immediately the tackle occurs there are offside lines.
- The half back should not be touched unless he has his hands on the ball.

5 Scrum

- The offside line for players who are not in the scrum and who are not the teams scrum half, is 5 metres behind the hindmost foot of the scrum.

6 Sanctions

- For all offences other than offside, not entering through the gate, and Law 10-Foul Play, the sanction is a Free Kick.

