



2025 ANNUAL REPORT

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OFFICE BEARERS

PATRON:	Mr Lawrence McGregor-Lowndes
BOARD:	Mr Josh Stanbury (East Region Chair) Mr Ian Porter (North Region Chair) Ms Ruth Lythall (South Region Chair) Ms Paula Watkins (West Region Chair) Mr Tim Huntley (General Member)
PRESIDENT / CHAIRMAN:	Mr John Miller
GENERAL MANAGER:	Mr Ravin du Plessis
VICE PRESIDENT:	Mr Jason Hicks
TREASURER:	Mr Brodie Ruffan
SECRETARY:	Mr Brian Chu
JUDICIARY BOARD:	Mr Fraser Hawkins Mr Luke Walker Mr Malcolm Harrison Mr Michael Liddy Mr Mitchell Osborne Mr Rob Anderson Mr Peter Backstrom (Panellist)
AUDITORS:	Carthills, 2072 Logan Rd, Upper Mt Gravatt QLD 4122
LIFE MEMBERS:	Mr Rob Melloy Mr Des Drice Mr Mick Richards Mr Elliott Hutchinson Mr Shane Williams Mr Lawrence McGregor- Lowndes Mr Terrance Hunt Mr Malcolm Harrison

BJRU AFFILIATES

	Albany Creek GPS RUC		North Lakes JRUC
	Brothers JRUC		Pine Rivers Pumas JRUC
	Bulimba Riverside JRUC		Redcliffe JRUC
	Caboolture JRUC		Redlands RUC
	Easts JRUC		Redland Bay JRUC
	Everton Park JRUC		Southern Districts JRUC (Souths)
	Forest Lakes JRUC		Springfield Hawks JRUC
	GPS JRUC		Sunnybank JRUC
	Ipswich JRUC		UQ JRUC (Bullsharks / Heavies)
	Kenmore Centenary JRUC		Wests JRUC
	Lions RUC		Wynnum Districts JRUC
	Logan City JRUC		Yarrabilba (Yatala) RUC
	North Brisbane JRUC		

ALIGNED ORGANISATIONS

	Rugby Australia (RA)
	Queensland Rugby Union (QRU)
	Queensland Rugby Referees Association (QRRA) (BRISBANE) INC

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Fifteen years. It's hard to believe how quickly the time has passed, and yet how much has changed — and grown — in that time. As I present my final President's Report, I do so with immense pride, gratitude, and a deep appreciation for the people who make our rugby community what it is.

The 2025 season has once again showcased the vibrancy and resilience of junior rugby. From our youngest tots in the U3–U5 programs to the fiercely competitive representative squads, the breadth of participation continues to reflect rugby's core values: inclusion, diversity, development, and community.

This year saw continued development in our Girls and Boys programs across 7s, 15s, and development pathways. The representative calendar remained full, stretching across school holidays and weekends — a testament to the commitment of our players, coaches, and volunteers. Rugby never sleeps, and neither do those who support it.

The BJRU representative teams travelled away from the South East Corner this season. This marks over a decade of representative rugby since this occurred. Our City Teams, boys and girls, also participated in the Australian Junior Rugby Championships for the 1st time in our history. Again, a great achievement and crystallises our pathway programs. I thank Rod and his team at Queensland Country, the QRU and Rugby Australia Community teams for supporting the changes to these events.

In a sporting landscape that is constantly evolving, our challenge remains to balance tradition with innovation. We've worked hard to ensure our programs remain relevant and engaging, while staying true to the spirit of rugby. 2025 saw us engage independent advice, resulting in a stakeholder survey, on the structure of our 6-9 competition format. The outcomes will be shared through the rugby community and engaging an advisory group recommending the formats for future years.

Our Board has remained focused on governance, competition sustainability, and the ongoing refinement of our structure — all critical to ensuring we're equipped for the future. Communication has continued to be a priority. Whether through social media, direct correspondence, or face-to-face interactions around the grounds, we've aimed to be accessible, transparent, and responsive.

Our relationship with QRU, schools' programs, and other affiliates has matured, and while challenges remain, the collaborative spirit is stronger than ever. I commend our Regional Chairs and club leaders for their proactive engagement and willingness to work together.

To our Club Presidents, committee members, and volunteers — thank you. Your contributions, both seen and unseen, are the backbone of our game. Whether you're stepping down or continuing on, your impact is lasting. Please stay connected to your rugby community; your experience and passion are irreplaceable.

To our host clubs — thank you for your generosity and organisation in delivering key events throughout the season. Your efforts create the environment where our players shine.

To Simon Moore and the QRRA team, especially Scotty — your commitment to junior rugby and quality officiating is deeply appreciated.

To Ravin, Lindie, and Lisa — thank you for your support, patience, adaptability and the fireless hours you all work delivering quality programs. You've worn many hats this season, and your contributions have not gone unnoticed.

To my fellow Board members — thank you for your dedication and behind-the-scenes work. You've helped shape the direction of junior rugby and have been instrumental in its evolution.

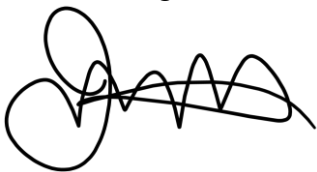
And finally, as I step away, I do so with great optimism. It has been an honour to serve this rugby community. I've witnessed incredible growth, faced challenges alongside passionate people, and celebrated countless moments of joy and achievement. The rugby community has given me far more than I could ever give back.

I leave confident in the future of our game and the people who will carry it forward. I'll remain a proud supporter and will always be around the grounds — just in a different capacity.

Thank you for the privilege.

All the very best for the 2026 season and beyond.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'John Miller', with a large, stylized initial 'J'.

John Miller
President, BJRU (2012–2025)
Secretary, BJRU (2010–2012)

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

This past year has been one of remarkable progress, resilience, and community spirit for junior rugby. Brisbane Junior Rugby Union are entrusted with nurturing the game at its grassroots and we have witnessed firsthand the energy and passion that players, families, coaches, and volunteers bring to the sport.

Our achievements have been considerable. Participation numbers continue to grow, particularly in girl's rugby, and we have strengthened pathways that allow juniors to progress from local competitions to representative opportunities, ensuring that talent is recognised and nurtured.

Challenges have not been absent. Rising costs, the need for safe and modern facilities, and the ongoing pressures of balancing school, family, and sport commitments have tested our sport. Yet, what stands out is the way our clubs and volunteers have responded—with creativity, collaboration, and an unwavering belief in the value of rugby as a vehicle for growth and belonging.

The most profound measure of our success remains participation. Every child who pulls on a jersey, every parent who volunteers their time, and every coach who mentors with care contributes to the heartbeat of junior rugby.

Looking ahead, we are determined to build on this momentum. We will continue to celebrate the success of players, support our volunteers, and strengthen the pathways that make rugby accessible to all. Together, we are not just growing a sport—we are building a community where young people learn resilience, teamwork, and respect, values that will serve them well beyond the field.

Key Highlights

- New 2026-2030 Strategic (Game) Plan developed with clear strategies to improve Junior rugby.
- Independent review completed on the Under 6 to Under 9 Competition as part of our long-term strategy.
- Introduction of BJRU Club Health checks in conjunction with RA & QRU.
- 4 Tri-tag activation seminars delivered by Rugby Australia.
- Increased our sponsorship for representative teams.
- WAHU sponsorship for Under 5 - 8 registered players.
- Delivered for the 4th consecutive year a successful Lightning series with teams from Gold Coast & Sunshine Coast participating.
- Increase in girl's rugby registration numbers.
- 3 visiting teams from Victoria – Melbourne Rugby Academy competing against BJRU Under 18 Dream Team and Under 14 & 16 Representative teams.
- Delivered 5 high quality coaching seminars.
- Sport Psychology workshop on team dynamics and leadership, building trust and cohesion in rugby teams, delivered to all representative coaches.
- Alignment with Reds Academy pathways.
- Inclusion of BJRU teams and coaches in Emerging Reds Cup Tournament.

- 4 BJRU Representative coaches successfully completed their Level 3 Coach accreditation in 2025.
- 3 BJRU Representative coaches accepted to complete the World Rugby level 3 accreditation in 2026.
- 15 BJRU representative teams participated in the Queensland Country Championship and State Championships.
- Delivered 8 speed and endurance sessions – Dr Yosuke Kotani.

COACHING

Our game would not be possible without the support and commitment of our coaches.

We have a clear strategy to develop coaches to improve their experiences.

We have prioritised our coaching competencies by embedding training into coach and development programs, ensuring an inclusive environment for all participants.

Coach development remained our CORNERSTONE of our efforts.

We have created more coaching seminar opportunities for our club coaches to upskill themselves and to increase the number of quality accredited coaches.

The flow on effect of inspirational coaches will increase RETENTION both for the players and coaches to ensure the growth of Junior rugby.

Coaching Seminars delivered

BJRU effectively support coaches by delivering high quality seminars, with the aim of increasing the standard of coaching and THEREFORE the standard of our competition.

Date	Attendees	Topic	Presenter(s)
27 January 2025	20	Team dynamics & leadership Building trust and cohesion	Sport Psychologist, Malwina Futich
3 March 2025	50	Season Planning All attack	Kris Burton (QRU) James Pritchard (QRU)
17 March 2025	62	Breakdown Contact Area	World Rugby Educator Chris Miles
31 March 2025	66	Scrum Masterclass	World Rugby Educator Chris Miles
21 April 2025	33	Under 10-12 Coach the coaches	Josh Jarvie QRU -DO



Under 6-7 Rugby Australia Activation Workshops

Date	Topic	Presenter(s)
24 March 2025	Tri tag – Bulimba Riverside	Zac Elliot – RA Program Manager
25 March 2025	Tri tag – Sunnybank	
26 March 2025	Tri tag – Albany Creek	
27 March 2025	Tri tag - Wests	

GIRLS RUGBY

The following Girls Talent Alignment camps were delivered.

Date	Attendees	Topic	Presenter(s)
9 March 2025	65	Decision -making Ball familiarisation skills Tackle technique -1	Kris Burton Gerard Connors Ashleigh Knight Matt Sila Josh Jarvie
16 March 2025	56	All attack Coordination movement skills	Kris Burton (QRU) Ashleigh Knight Chris Staunton Matt Sila Josh Jarvie Christo Tofa
23 March 2025	62	Breakdown Contact Area Tackle technique -2	Gerard Connors Ashleigh Knight Manny Cole Manolis

			Paul Jones
30 March 2025	56	Conditioning & Endurance session	Dr. Yosuke Kotani
27 July 2025	155	Girls 7's Coaching clinic	Dr. Yosuke Kotani



We had another significant increase in girl's player numbers in 2025, due to our Gems series, Sevens competition and newly established pathways. This provided opportunities for girls to participate in Queensland Country championships, State and National championships.

Several players have been selected into the Queensland Reds Academy with opportunity to play at Super W level.

Also contributing to the growth in participation was the delivery of the Talent ID Camps led by Queensland Reds Super W players.



GOVERNANCE

There is ongoing focus on improving governance standards within the BJRU to ensure we are **COMPLIANT** to the highest level in as many areas as possible – this is an ongoing long-term strategy.

FUTURE CHALLENGES

While 2025 saw great success across our junior rugby teams and programs, we are also aware of some big challenges facing our sport.

- Code of Conducts (29 cases in 2024 and 14 in 2025)
- Red Cards (34 cases in 2024 and 34 cases in 2025)
- **Continuation of poor sideline behaviour**
- Financial stability
- High volume of Incident reports
- Retention of players
- Volunteer burnout and discontent
- Competition with rival codes
- Compliance monitoring

These challenges provide us collectively with an opportunity to focus, recalibrate and work towards continued improvement in achieving better outcomes for the game as a whole.

NEW INITIATIVES FOR 2026

- Introduction of a Competition Advisory group to review Competition rules, advise on grading process, dispensations and girls rugby.
- Establish a coaches' forum to oversee representative rugby.
- Appoint a Competitions co-ordinator (staff) to oversee the Under 6 to Under 9 competition.
- Introduce a business unit to increase our revenue.
- Provide clear roles and responsibilities to elected Committee members portfolios.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Key focus areas of our new strategy include:

- Having clear and direct communication channels with clubs – currently messaging and resourcing are not necessarily received or translated well between all parties.
- Secondary school rugby and its impact on the wider club eco system.
- Better enable clubs to work together – rugby will benefit most from having strong club networks and not just one strong club at the expense of 3 or 4 around it.
- The ethos for the betterment of rugby needs to be enshrined with clubs at the heart of finding solutions and supporting one another to thrive.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I would like to thank John Miller for his leadership and support.

I would also like to acknowledge:

Lindie for her tireless efforts and commitment.

Adrian our Kit master for overseeing all BJRU merchandise.

Lisa for co-ordinating representative rugby.

Jason for assisting with the U6-U9 Competitions.

Our representative coaches and managers for leading our representative programs.

Our sincere thanks to our corporate partners:

Stuart Rhodes and his team at Vending First, for making it possible for clubs to be provided with balls at no cost.

WAHU for their valuable contribution to provide balls, backpacks and boot bags to all new registered under 5-8 players.

Sunnybank Community Sports Club for their financial contribution towards the representative teams.

Queensland Government for grant benefaction.

Brisbane City Council for grant sponsorship.

KARMO for sponsorship of U14 representative team.

AMP'D for sponsorship of U16 representative team.

BOND University for sponsorship of the U18 Jnr Colts Lightning Series.

InFront Security official partner of our Under 11 development carnival.

A FINAL NOTE

I would like to conclude by expressing my gratitude to our loyal rugby community, the volunteers, selectors, coaches, managers, trainers, players and parents who have made a positive contribution to the sport.

We know that the strength of grass roots flows throughout all levels of rugby, and we at BJRU want to continue to cultivate a strong junior community game.

Ravin du Plessis

General Manager

*** See Appendix A for Representative Results**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Building on the achievements of 2024, this year has brought both successes and valuable opportunities for growth. As someone new to the role, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the team, particularly our former Treasurer, Tim Huntley, for their guidance and support in helping me settle in.

The transition from MYOB to Xero last year has provided greater visibility into our financial processes, allowing us to identify and reduce ongoing subscription costs. The BJRU board and office team have played an important role in reviewing these expenses and offering feedback on areas where efficiencies could be achieved.

The 2024 auditor's report offered helpful recommendations for strengthening our cost management and approval processes. While these changes required adjustments to previous practices, the team has embraced the challenge, ensuring that all expenses are now properly documented and authorized. Special thanks to Ravin for his efforts in making these improvements a success. Today, every expense is recorded in our accounting system with appropriate supporting documentation and multiple approvals.

To further enhance continuity and accuracy, we have engaged Aspirant Advisory Services to manage our bookkeeping. While this represents an additional cost, it is partly offset by savings identified earlier and significantly reduces the workload for board members while improving the reliability of our accounts. We also invested in upgrading office computers, as the previous equipment was no longer meeting the demands of scheduling and administration.

There remain some outstanding amounts from clubs, primarily carried over from the 2024 season and related to player assessments. While the board considered writing these off, it was agreed that doing so would not be fair to clubs that have already met their obligations. We will continue to remind clubs of these amounts and hope to avoid any impact on their registration process.

We have also refreshed BJRU employees' computers as the previous ones were getting on in years, and due to the nature of the workload for scheduling were not fit for purpose.

At the close of 2025, BJRU recorded a positive return of \$78,235 —slightly below expectations—due in part to additional costs associated with appointing a dedicated competition manager for the 6–9 age group and conducting the related survey.

Looking ahead, we will focus on utilizing existing stock for BJRU carnivals and representative teams, which should help reduce inventory levels and strengthen our financial position.

Finally, the transition to a new treasurer has highlighted challenges in maintaining continuity with our banking arrangements. We will work toward consolidating accounts and closing those that are no longer required.

Wishing all clubs the very best for the 2026 season.

Brodie Ruttan

Treasurer

BRISBANE JUNIOR RUGBY UNION INC.

**FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
Income			
Player Levies (net of Refunds)		1,046,937	642,715
Development		6,818	63,082
Sponsorships		24,000	24,221
Grants		49,318	18,636
Merchandise Sales		12,475	13,598
State Championships / Interstate Challenge		-	5,847
Interest Received		1,383	1,210
Other Income		8,868	11,653
Total Income		<u>1,149,799</u>	<u>780,962</u>
Expenditure			
Administration Expenses		28,516	35,187
Bad Debts Expense		-	135
Competition Expenses (incl. State Champs)		86,763	41,613
Depreciation Expense		4,092	1,376
Development Expense		15,181	106,081
Employee & Contractor Expenses		359,418	267,774
Playing Jerseys, Apparel and Equipment		162,623	128,438
Referee Fees		73,370	82,020
Travel & Accommodation		329,221	494
Other Expenditure		12,380	5,934
Total Expenditure		<u>1,071,564</u>	<u>669,052</u>
Net Surplus / (Deficit)		78,235	111,910
Retained Surplus at beginning of the year		201,648	89,738
Retained Surplus at the end of the year		<u>279,883</u>	<u>201,648</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2	227,930	184,598
Trade and Other Receivables	3	17,594	8,721
Inventory	4	101,257	69,257
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>346,781</u>	<u>262,576</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant and Equipment	5	18,372	4,606
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>18,372</u>	<u>4,606</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>365,153</u>	<u>267,182</u>
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and Other Payables	6	28,543	21,431
Employee Provisions	7	31,741	14,036
Loans	8	5,775	5,775
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>66,059</u>	<u>41,242</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Loans	8	19,211	24,292
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>19,211</u>	<u>24,292</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>85,270</u>	<u>65,534</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>279,883</u>	<u>201,648</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
Retained Surpluses	9	279,883	201,648
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS		<u>279,883</u>	<u>201,648</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Financial Reporting Framework

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*. The Committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity.

Statement of Compliance

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*, the basis of accounting specified by all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of Accounting Standards ASB 101: *Presentation of Financial Statements*, AASB 108: *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*, AASB 1031: *Materiality* and AASB 1054: *Australian Additional Disclosures*.

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Income Tax

Income derived by the Association is exempt from the payment of income tax under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment are carried at cost less, where appropriate, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all plant and equipment is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the Association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Plant and equipment	20% to 33%

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Association reviews the carrying values of its assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is recognised in the Income and Expenditure Statement.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Trade and Other Receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from members. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any discounts/rebates allowed.

When the association receives operating grant revenue, donations or bequests, it assess whether the contract is enforceable and has sufficiently specific performance obligations in accordance with AASB 15. When both these conditions are satisfied, the association identifies each performance obligation – recognises a contract liability for its obligations and recognises revenue as it satisfied its performance obligations. Where the contract is not enforceable or does not have sufficiently specific performance obligations, the association recognises the asset received in accordance with recognition requirements of other applicable accounting standards,

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when control of the products has transferred to the customer.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period that remain outstanding. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and the outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Employee Provisions

Provision is made for the Association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the association becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the association commits itself to either the purchase or the sale of the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments (except for trade receivables, initially measured at the transaction price) are initially measured at fair value, plus transaction costs. Financial assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

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Financial Assets (Cont/...)

A financial asset is derecognised when the holder's contractual rights to its cash flows expires, or the asset is transferred in such a way that all the risks and rewards of ownership are subsequently transferred. On derecognition, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable is recognised in profit or loss.

The association recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses on financial assets that are measured at amortised cost.

Related Party Transactions

The Association incurred costs totalling \$63,978 (2024: \$32,500) from Lisa Miller, the spouse of a Committee Member, in relation to administration services provided for the year ended 30 September 2025.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

	2025 \$	2024 \$
2 Cash and Cash Equivalents		
ANZ - Trading Account	16,014	15,349
ANZ – Registration Account	6,083	107,432
ANZ – Debit Card	107,437	11,817
St George – Main Account	1	-
St George – Registration Account	98,395	50,000
	<u>227,930</u>	<u>184,598</u>
3 Trade and Other Receivables		
Current		
Trade Debtors	6,175	5,585
GST Refundable	11,419	3,136
	<u>17,594</u>	<u>8,721</u>
4 Inventory		
Balls and Apparel	<u>101,257</u>	<u>69,257</u>
5 Plant and Equipment		
Plant and Equipment - at cost	46,770	28,912
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(28,398)	(24,306)
	<u>18,372</u>	<u>4,606</u>
6 Trade and Other Payables		
Current		
Trade Creditors	8,570	1,452
PAYG Withholding Payable	4,704	3,568
Superannuation Payable	7,856	-
Accrued Expenses	7,413	7,093
Unspent Grant Funds	-	9,318
	<u>28,543</u>	<u>21,431</u>
7 Employee Provisions		
Current		
Provision for Annual Leave	31,741	14,036
	<u>31,741</u>	<u>14,036</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

	2025 \$	2024 \$
8 Loans		
Current		
Loan - QRIDA	<u>5,775</u>	<u>5,775</u>
Non-Current		
Loan - QRIDA	<u>19,211</u>	<u>24,292</u>
<p>The term of the loan with QRIDA is 10 years from April 2020 with repayments required after 12 months; being interest only for the first two years. Interest of 2.5% is charged after the initial 12 month interest-free period.</p>		
9 Accumulated Funds		
Accumulated Funds at beginning of the financial year	201,648	89,738
Net surplus / (deficit) attributable to members	<u>78,235</u>	<u>111,910</u>
Accumulated Funds at end of the financial year	<u>279,883</u>	<u>201,648</u>

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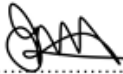
**STATEMENT BY THE COMMITTEE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

The Committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Association's Committee:

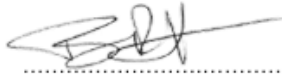
1. The financial report as set out on pages 2 to 9 presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the Association as at 30 September 2025 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with the resolution of the Association's Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



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John Miller
President

Date: 24 November 2025



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Brodie Ruttan
Treasurer

Date: 24 November 2025

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BRISBANE JUNIOR RUGBY UNION INC.

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Brisbane Junior Rugby Union Inc. (the Association), which comprises the Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2025, the Income and Expenditure Statement for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information and the Statement by Members of the Committee.

In our opinion, except for the effect of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial report of Brisbane Junior Rugby Union Inc. presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Brisbane Junior Rugby Union Inc. as at 30 September 2025 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Profession and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

The following gives rise to our qualified opinion:

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for the Association to maintain an effective system of internal control over receipts for income until their deposit into the Association's bank account. Accordingly, our audit in relation to income was limited to amounts actually banked.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the Association to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of the Committee for the Financial Report

The committee of the Association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BRISBANE JUNIOR RUGBY UNION INC.

In preparing the financial report, the committee is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to the going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the committee either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the committee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the committee's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to the events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

CARTHILLS
Tailored Accounting

Brisbane

24 November 2025

Mr M Fish
Carthills Tailored Accounting
PO Box 6564
UPPER MOUNT GRAVATT QLD 4122

Dear Sir

Pursuant to your request and in connection with your audit of Brisbane Junior Rugby Union Inc. for the year ended 30 September 2025, we submit the following representations, after making appropriate inquiries and according to the best of our knowledge and belief:

General

1. We acknowledge our responsibility for the fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the Association's Constitution and the Associations Incorporated Act and Regulations. We acknowledge that the Association is a non-reporting entity.
2. All financial records and related data have been made available for inspection. All material transactions have been properly recorded in the accounting records underlying the financial reports.
3. There have been no irregularities involving any member of the Association that could have a material effect on the financial statements.
4. There have been no:
 - violations or possible violations of law or regulations, the effect of which should be considered for disclosure in the financial statements or as a basis for recording a contingent loss; or
 - communications from the regulatory authorities concerning non-compliance with, or deficiencies in, financial reporting practices.

Assets

5. Adequate provision has been made for allowances which may be given and for losses which may be sustained in connection with the collection of accounts receivable and non-trade receivables.
6. There were no deficiencies or encumbrances attaching to the title of the Association's assets at balance date other than those reflected in the financial statements.
7. There are no agreements to repurchase assets previously recorded in the accounting records as sold.

8. Adequate provision has been made in the financial report for any permanent diminution in the value to the Association of any non-current assets.

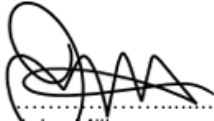
Liabilities

9. All liabilities which have arisen or which will arise out of the activities of the Association to the end of the financial year have been included in the financial report.
10. There were no contractual commitments for capital expenditure at balance date not disclosed in the financial report or the notes thereto.
11. There were no contingent liabilities, including guarantees, at balance date, which are not disclosed in the financial report or the notes thereto.

Other


12. No events have occurred subsequent to balance date, which would require adjustment to or disclosure in the financial statements.
13. The Association has no plans or intentions that may materially affect the book value or classification of assets and liabilities at balance date.
14. All details concerning related party transactions and related amounts receivable or payable (including purchases, loans and guarantees) have been correctly recorded in the accounting records and have been properly disclosed in the Association's financial report or the notes thereto, either where required by statute or where such disclosure is necessary for the fair presentation of the financial report.
15. Other than as detailed in the Association's financial report, the Association is not aware of any breach or non-compliance with the terms of any contractual arrangements, however caused which could initiate claims on the Association which would have effect on the Association's financial report.
16. The Association has an established procedure whereby the adequacy of insurance cover on all assets and insurable risks is reviewed. This review has been performed and where it is considered appropriate, assets and insurable risks of the Association are adequately covered by insurance.
17. The minutes of committee meetings made available to you are a complete and authentic record of all meetings. All statutory records were properly kept during the period.
18. Records maintained during the period were in accordance with the Australian Taxation Office requirements.
19. We have responded fully to all inquiries made to us during the course of your examination.
20. Nothing has come to our attention that would indicate that the financial statements are inaccurate, incomplete or otherwise misleading.

21. We confirm that we are satisfied that it is appropriate for the financial statements to have been drawn upon the going concern basis. In reaching this conclusion, we have taken into account all relevant matters of which we are aware, including the availability of working capital and have considered a future period of at least one year from the date of this letter.



.....
John Miller
President

Dated: ...23/11/2025.....



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Brodie Ruttan
Treasurer

Dated: ...24/11/2025.....

NORTH REGION REPORT

Member Clubs of the BJRU,

This year has been a great year for the Northern region, primarily in my opinion because of the tireless workings of the exceptional volunteer base and those that have taken that extra step to be part of a committee or a board to ensure all players in the BJRU competition have a great experience playing Rugby, for that a very big thank you.

The Northern region in the 2025 season saw a great deal of action at our clubs. Many of our clubs volunteered their facilities to the BJRU to hold everything from our U10-U11s carnival, the Girls Gem series, all the way through to the Lightning series along with many other programs, we thank you and look forward to working with you all in the 2026 season.

This was the first year in my role as the Chair for the Northern region, it has been a pleasure working with many of my clubs Presidents and volunteers. I met many dedicated and amazing people not only from my region but from across all our member clubs during the last 12 months and I am looking forward to the same next season.

I would like to extend a big thank you to my fellow board members, especially the staff and General manager for your assistance and support in bringing me up to speed in my new role.

I would also like to extend many thanks to John Miller who is stepping down from his role as President of the BJRU. His dedication and efforts to make the BJRU competition a better place for all will always be remembered. For me personally in my role, he has never missed a phone call and has always been there to offer advice or point me in the right direction when needed, he will be missed.

All the best for the Christmas Festivities and I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Ian Porter

Northern Region Chair

WEST REGION REPORT

I am delighted to present the West Region Chair report for inclusion in the BJRU Annual Report for 2025.

2025 was another exciting year for the BJRU. While club registration numbers continue to fluctuate it is heartening to see that clubs continue to find new players in a competitive market.

It has been great to see the number of Code of Conduct complaints lessen this year. Parents and supporters are becoming more aware of their obligations off field, while the players seem to have been better behaved too.

Our junior development carnivals have been very well received again in 2025. The U10 and U11 carnivals were a great example of how children can come together from various club teams to make wonderful memories with new friends. Thank you also to the mums and dads who put up their hands to coach and manage these teams. Without your support the development carnivals would be impossible to run.

Taking our junior representative teams to Townsville for the Country Championships was another example of opportunities that we provide to our players. Over 250 children participated in the tour that took place over the school holidays. Thank you to all those that volunteered their time to assist with this tour.

As we move closer to the Brisbane Olympics, I would encourage all clubs to stay engaged with their local councils and their state and federal members of parliament. There are funding and education opportunities that are/will become available. Rugby needs to capitalise upon any opportunities that present themselves in the future.

I would also like to thank the BJRU staff for their continued efforts. It is a sometimes thankless task but please rest assured that your efforts are seen and appreciated.

As always, I welcome clubs to reach out to me if they would like to discuss any matters or issues that may be causing concern.

I look forward to working with you all again in 2026.

Paula Watkins

Western Region Chair

COMPETITION MANAGER'S REPORT

2025 ... a great year of rugby with many opportunities and achievements for our very talented players! We've started our 2025 season with the u18 Junior Colts Lightning Series Season with an increase in teams from 2024. We had 13 teams participating with heaps of talent being showcased by our U16-U18 boys. The University of the Sunshine Coast joined us (continuing from the 2023 U16 Season).

The BJRU implemented the new programs introduced by Rugby Australia (RA) in our 4-5 Year olds (Get Into Rugby Walla) and 6-7 Year olds (Get Into Rugby TriTime) with TriTag belts. The implementation caused a bit of confusion with rules rolled out in 2024, changing again in February 2025. Registrations weren't as flexible with RA fixing the available registration Types to Age Group not realizing the volume of BJRU players that register and participate into our regular programs, i.e. 5-year-olds to play in Under 6 and 7-year-olds to play in Under 8 with parent consent. The TriTag belts received unfortunately were a bit smaller than the size charts shared and some Clubs required swaps and will be ongoing for 2026.

Our u12 Simon Abubakar Development Carnival had a decrease in number of players and teams and we've invited teams from other regions to ensure we have a great development carnival. Unfortunately, the invited teams were formed by their best talented players and was more representative teams rather than development teams. The second day with new pools formed based on the ranking of the first day, created better match opponents for our teams.

Our u10 and u11 Development Carnivals had another successful run even though there was a decrease in number of players and teams, due to other school / club commitments.

We continued and improved our representative selection process for u13, u14 and u16 boys and girls to give all players a chance to be viewed for selection.

BJRU participated in the Country Champs in Townsville in 2025, after taking a two-year break from participating in the Country Championships. We've selected the following teams to represent us in the Country Champs: 2 x U13 Boys (Red and Navy), 2 x U14 Boys (Red and Navy), 2 x U16 Boys (Red and Navy), 1 x U14 Girls, 2 x U16 Girls (Red and Navy) and 1 x U18 Girls

The National Championship was held at Bokarina, Sunshine Coast this year with the following teams invited to participate: U16 Boys City, U16 Girls City and U18 Girls City teams respectively.

With our yearly City vs Country Games, our U13 Boys, U14 Boys and U14 Girls played 2 games vs Country @ Caboolture and Albany Creek respectively and our U16 Boys, U16 Girls and U18 Girls only played the 1 scheduled game at Nationals vs Country. Our U13 Boys were the only team winning their Trophy.

Qld State 7s expanded their competition to include U15 Boys for the first time. Our U15 Girls, U15 Boys received Silver medals in their respective competitions, our U17 Boys Bronze and U17 Girls finished 5th overall. Our players, coaches, and managers had a great tournament with tough weather conditions over the two days at Ballymore i.e. Storms, Heatwaves, Humidity and Rain.

Our Girls XV's Program (GEM Series) in Term 2 kicked off successfully after two Gala Rounds and ran for 8 rounds with fantastic talent on display in the Grand Finals hosted by Souths RUC. Our Girls 7s was again a favourite amongst the girls with increased in teams and player numbers. It was run over 7 weeks (14 rounds incl. Finals) with a fantastic Final series hosted by Norths.

GROWTH

2025 for 15-a-side has shown a decrease in player numbers from last year. The BJRU had an overall decrease of (-6.7%) in player numbers in the traditional (U6-U18 Competition), with a loss of 446 players.

This does not take into consideration the Little Rugby program (3 year olds) participants of 35 (2024: 626), Get Into Rugby Walla (4-5 year olds) 4: 311, 5: 370 or the 91 Modified Rugby Players or the 1024 (2024: 881) female players registered to our clubs (in u10-u18), playing in the Girls 12s, XV's and 7s competitions. These expanded programs provide an ever-changing picture of how participants are choosing to experience rugby in much greater variation than just the traditional form of the game. Rugby is becoming more inclusive with different formats of the game, and it is certainly a game for all. Gathering all of these registered participants indicates 7916 (2024:8169) participants in some form of junior rugby offered by our clubs in 2024.

This year's winter competition generated less teams than 2024 – 400 Brisbane Club Teams – 215 Saturday Teams (2024:225, 2023:220, 2022:225, 2021:237, 2020:221) and 185 Sunday Teams (2024:200, 2023:231, 2022:224, 2021:212, 2020:206), with a total of 6221 registered players as compared to the 6667 actual winter competition players in 2024 (2023:6644, 2022:7001, 2021:6734, 2020:6346).

The U7(+4), U9(+2), U13(+1), U15(+3), U17/U18(+1) – showed an increase in teams respective in each age group, U6(-7), U8(-9), U11(-4), U12(-7), U14(-5), U16(-4) – showed a decrease in teams, U10 are the only age group that equal team numbers from 2024.

Our greatest player age groups were in the U9 (+41) and U15 (+39). Our most significant player loss was in U6(-192), U8(-109), U16(-64), U11(-60), U12(-50), U14(-44). We've had a substantial decrease in player numbers in the younger age groups, which could mean that the Trial Hubs System of 2025 or the Get Into Rugby Program was not well received by the incoming / returning parents.

RETENTION

Reviewing player retention from the previous year tells us that most of our retention of players decreased in most of our age groups unfortunately, which is not great for our code. It sits as high as 101.39% for U9s. Our biggest decrease was our U16s that decreased from 2024:99.77% to 2025:76.10% and our U7s from 2024:92.07% to 2025:79.82%.

The rollout of more structured Get Into Rugby Walla (4-5 Year olds) and Get Into Rugby TriTime (6-7 Year olds) across clubs and Little Rugby (3 Year olds) have shown another avenue for families and communities to get involved in non-contact rugby, even if it is not the traditional format we are used to. We are hoping with this more structured training for the younger age groups, and the additional coaching guidelines we can improve the player numbers going forward.

Our Junior U6-U9s played in bigger Hubs in 2025. A survey was run twice throughout the season to collect data and feedback from clubs and parents. The survey was distributed to clubs and a discussion workshop with club representatives will be held early December to workshop the structure for 2025.

Our girls' rugby space continues to grow and develop every year. Our girls' XVs teams U12:4 (2024:5), U14:6 (2024:6), U16:7 (2024:6) – Gold Coast joined us in all age groups this year. There will be an Advisory Group formed to discuss Girls Rugby for 2026.

It is imperative that we continue to be proactive in reviewing our offerings and formats to ensure that rugby continues to move forward and offers its participants a product they want to play. The continual review of the competition and its components enable the opportunity for the BJRU to recognize areas in which the game can be improved and adapted to suit an ever-changing marketplace.

Whilst we continue to work and develop new ways to increase participation and community involvement, we must be reminded that governance structures are in place to ensure the safety, consistency and quality of the sport. The rugby community needs to ensure that they and their members are continually educated about the policy changes that are presented and the basic reasons why children play the code we love.

Congratulations to those that are working together as an integral part for the establishment of development programs, combined sides, and shared facilities to ensure that no child misses out on an opportunity to participate in our code.

It was again exciting to see in 2025 more clubs working together to provide “combined club teams” to get players on the field. This has worked very well in the boys' and girls' space this year. As we move forward and start to deal with the decreased numbers in player ranks, it is more important than ever for clubs to work collaboratively to provide well thought out and considered preparation to the inevitable occurrence of “not enough” or “too many” players to form sustainable teams.

THANKS, AND PRAISE

In our 2025 season we've seen our Brisbane Rugby Community come together growing and developing our players by supporting them through hosting viewing rounds, training nights, coaching seminars, trials, skills sessions, carnivals, semi-finals and grand finals. We would like to extend our thanks and heartfelt appreciation for the behind-the-scenes efforts from all our affiliated clubs. We are dedicated in growing and improving rugby in Brisbane but we can't achieve this without the backing and support of our local clubs.

Thank you to Scott Chapman from the “QRRR” and the QRRR referees in general for their efforts in dealing with all the things that running the junior competition with so many restrictions, created. Scott's efforts in trying to ensure we have referees appointed to every game, and last-minute changes and dramas is very much appreciated.

To the members of the BJRU Board, Ravin our GM, thank you for your support and tireless efforts in coordination, promotion and delivery of the junior competition and various junior rugby programs

run in 2025. To John Miller our President, that is stepping down after 15 years, thank you for your leadership, guidance and support over the years. Wishing you all the best for the future.

To Jason Theron that helped with the u6-u9 competitions and to Lisa Miller that co-ordinated the representative programs (including the U10, U11 and U12 development carnivals) and to all the Representative Coaches, Managers, Sports Trainers, Selectors and volunteers, thank you for your time, effort and generosity in helping the programs run as smoothly as possible, a huge thank you!

To the Clubs and their executives, committees, coaching staff members and volunteers, thank you for your ongoing efforts and commitment to providing a fantastic environment for our juniors to play rugby. Thank you for all your support over the last couple of months. For those taking a rest in 2026, I sincerely wish you all the best for what lies ahead.

Finally, I would like to thank all those who have worked to make junior rugby the game it is and to instill in our juniors what the ethos of rugby and the rugby community is about.

Lindie Zwart-Theron

Competition Manager

2025 PREMIERSHIP COMPETITION WINNERS & REP RESULTS

Under 18 Jnr Colts Lightning Series Brothers Navy

Under 18 Boys Representative Game(s) Dream Team

Under 16 Div 1 Easts Tigers Blue

Under 16 Div 2 Souths Black

Under 16 Div 3 Logan Saints Blue

Under 15 Div 1 Logan Saints Blue

Under 15 Div 2 Ipswich Rangers Green

Under 15 Div 3 Wynnum White

Under 15 Div 4 Norths Maroon

Under 14 Div 1 Easts Tigers Blue

Under 14 Div 2 Brothers Navy

Under 14 Div 3 Redlands

Under 14 Div 4 GPS White

Under 13 Div 1 Norths Blue

Under 13 Div 2 GPS Blue

Under 13 Div 3 Caboolture Grey

Under 13 Div 4 Easts Tigers Gold

U12 SEASON END TOP OF THE TABLE

Under 12 Div 1 Logan Saints Blue

Under 12 Div 2 GPS Blue

Under 12 Div 3 GPS Green

Under 12 Div 4 Easts Tigers Gold

Under 12 Div 5 Wynnum Red

2025 GIRLS RESULTS

GEM SERIES (XVs)

Under 12 Girls XV a side Topaz

Under 14 Girls XV a side GCDRU Sapphires
 Under 16 Girls XV a side Onyx

GIRLS 7s

Under 17 Div 1 Term 3 Girls 7sMarist Ryze
 Under 15 Div 1 Term 3 Girls 7s Wests A
 Under 15 Div 2 Term 3 Girls 7sAlbany Creek Brumbies
 Under 13 DIV 1 Term 3 Girls 7s.....Marist Ryze
 Under 13 DIV 2 Term 3 Girls 7s..... Sunnybank Black
 Under 11 Term 3 Girls 7s..... Easts Blue

REPRESENTATIVE RUGBY

QLD COUNTRY JNR/SNR CHAMPIONSHIPS @ Townsville

U18 Girls.....2nd Place shared with South Queensland
 U16 Girls Navy 3rd Place
 U16 Girls Red6th Place
 U14 Girls Navy 2nd Place shared with GCDRU
 U16 Boys Navy 2nd Place shared with GCDRU
 U16 Boys Red 3rd Place
 U14 Boys Navy 2nd Place shared with GCDRU
 U14 Boys Red 3rd Place
 U13 Boys Navy 3rd Place
 U13 Boys Red4th Place

RUGBY AU JUNIOR RUGBY UNION CHAMPIONSHIPS @ Bokarina Sunshine Coast

U16 Boys City.....2nd Place
 U16 Girls City4th Place
 U18 Girls City5th Place

GIRLS/BOYS – 7-A-SIDE – STATE CHAMPIONSHIP @ Ballymore

U15s Girls.....2nd Place
 U17s Girls.....5th Place
 U15s Boys.....2nd Place
 U17s Boys..... 3rd Place

BOYS / GIRLS – CITY vs COUNTRY



U13 Brisbane City Boys	Champions
U14 Brisbane City Boys	Runners Up
U16 Brisbane City Boys	Runners Up
U14 Brisbane City Girls	Runners Up
U16 Brisbane City Girls	Runners Up
U18 Brisbane City Women	Runners Up

U12s

U12 SIMON ABUBAKAR CARNIVAL	GCDRU Cyclones
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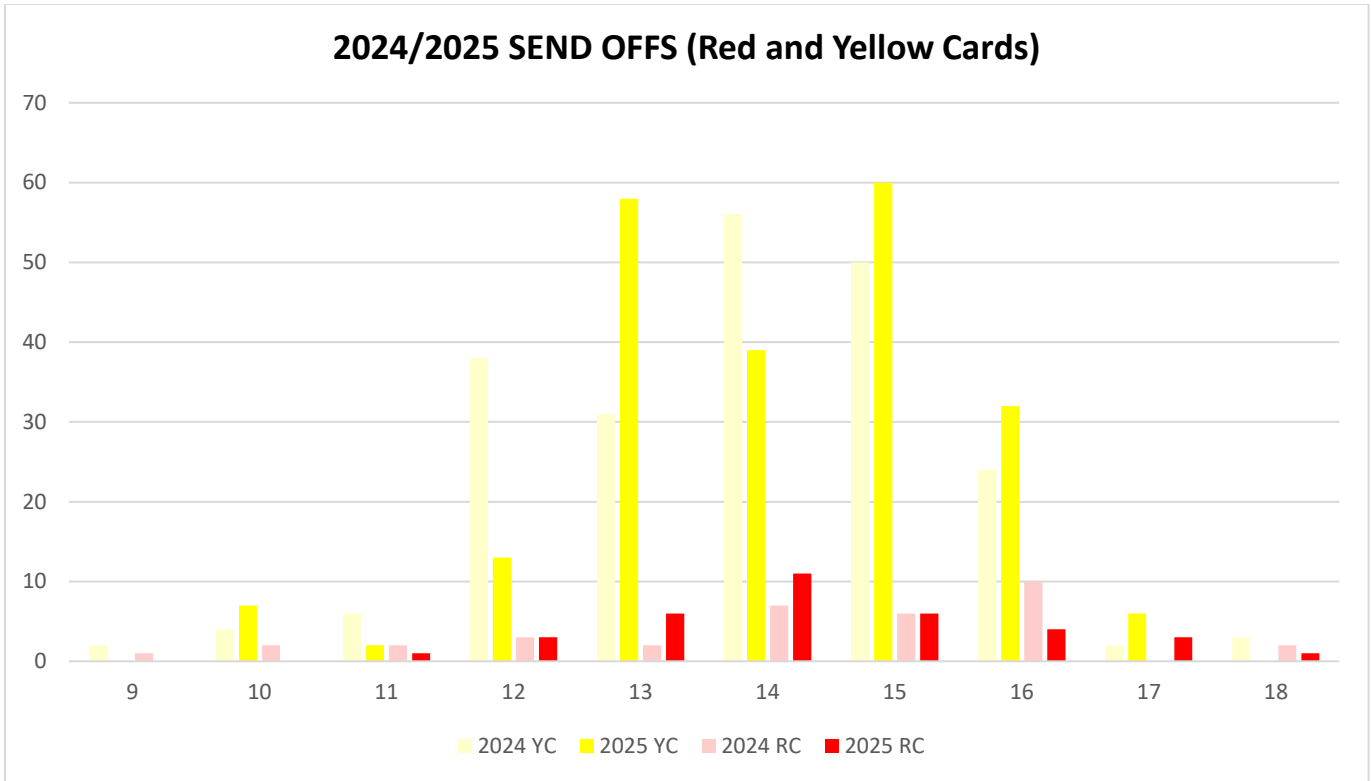
INVITATIONAL CUP

U14 Karmo Invitational Cup:	BJRU Karmo Talent ID XVs
U16 AMP'D Invitational Cup:	Melbourne Academy

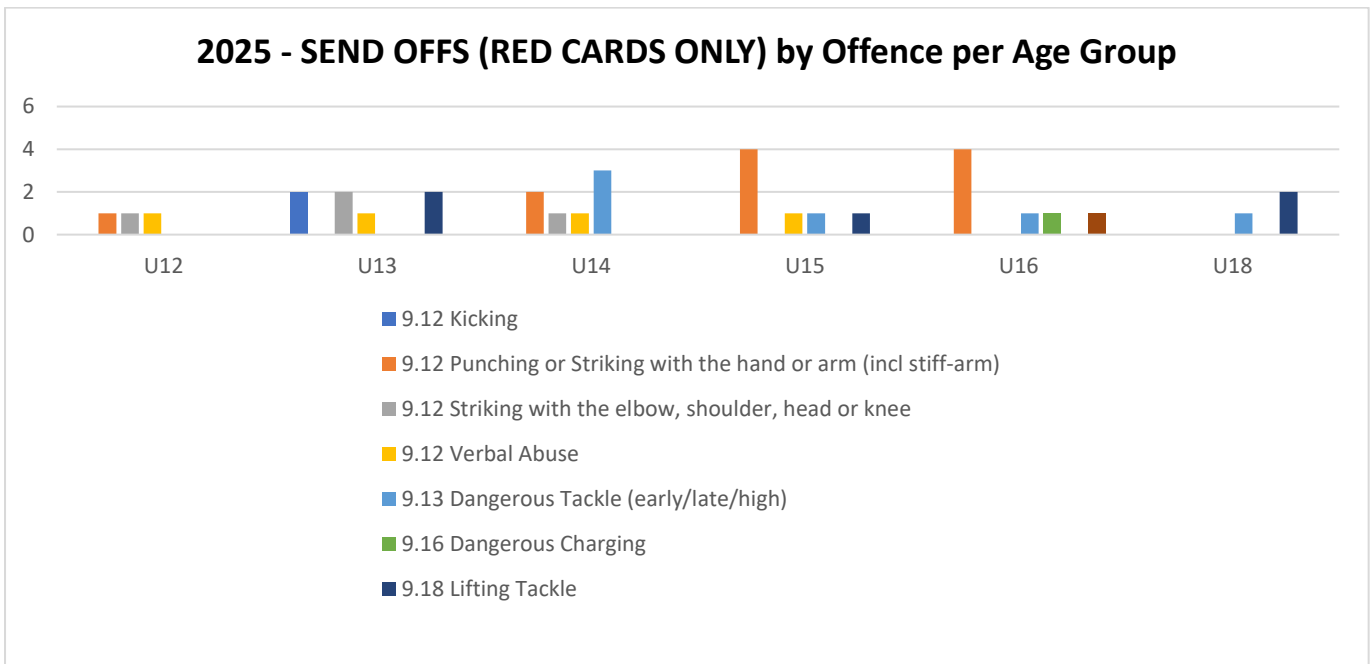
EMERGING REDS CUP

U14.....	Runners Up
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2025 JUDICIARY STATISTICS



** Red Cards in the above report are calculated on the Player's Actual Age



** Red Cards in the above report are calculated on the "Team's Age" the player is participating in

2025 CLUB REPORTS

The following reports have been produced independently of the BJRU. The views expressed in these reports are not necessarily the views of the BJRU Board or other member clubs. The information, statements, statistics and commentary (together the 'Information') contained in the member club reports have been prepared by the member clubs with the knowledge they are to be made publicly available material.

The BJRU Board or BJRU members do not express an opinion as to the accuracy or completeness of the information provided, the assumptions made by the parties that provided the information or any conclusions reached by those parties.

The BJRU Board have based this section of the Annual Report on information received or obtained, on the basis that such information is accurate as view of the author or the member club. The information contained in these reports has not been subject to an audit and have been published in verbatim.

AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS

Albany Creek GPS RUC	North Lakes JRUC
Brothers JRUC	Pine Rivers Pumas JRUC
Bulimba Riverside JRUC	Redcliffe JRUC
Caboolture JRUC	Redlands RUC
Easts JRUC	Redland Bay JRUC
Everton Park JRUC	Southern Districts (Souths) JRUC
Forest Lakes JRUC (Non-Active)	Springfield JRUC
GPS JRUC	Sunnybank JRUC
Ipswich JRUC	UQ JRUC (Bull Sharks/Heavies)
Kenmore Centenary JRUC	Wests JRUC
Lions RUC	Wynnum Districts JRUC
Logan City JRUC	Yarrabilba (Yatala Rams) RUC
North Brisbane JRUC	

SATELLITE (NON-AFFILIATED) ORGANISATIONS

Marist Ryze, Taiwhanake Youth Academy



2025 Season in Review: Albany Creek Brumbies

This season, the Albany Creek Brumbies have once again demonstrated that true strength lies in unity, resilience, and club spirit. Despite being one of our smallest cohorts in recent years, our teams delivered exceptional results across all age groups—securing two premierships, a runners-up finish, and a semi-finalist placing. These achievements are a testament to the determination, teamwork, and positive attitude shown by every squad. Our players consistently displayed sportsmanship, commitment, and pride in wearing the Brumbies jersey, making this season one of our most memorable yet.

Our girls' programme continued to flourish, embracing both the traditional XV-a-side format and the fast-paced 7s competition. The Girls XV's series, in partnership with Easts Junior Rugby, was a particular highlight—showcasing the depth of talent and the collaborative spirit within our rugby community. Across all teams, the willingness to adapt, support one another, and strive for excellence has set a strong foundation for future success.

Our U15 Boys enjoyed a highly successful tour of Japan this season, representing the Brumbies and Brisbane junior rugby with distinction. The tour provided invaluable opportunities for our players to test their skills on the international stage, experience Japanese rugby culture, and build lasting friendships. Beyond the matches, the team embraced cultural exchanges and strengthened international relationships, highlighting the power of rugby to unite communities across borders.

Beyond the scoreboard, the Brumbies have remained a pillar of community engagement. This year, we proudly hosted several major events, including:

- **The Ballymore Cup**, which brought together top teams from across Queensland for three days of high-level competition, camaraderie, and rugby tradition. It was our pleasure to host the event again this year, and we are honoured to be confirmed as hosts once more in 2026.
- **Our own ANZAC Day memorial and match day**, a moving occasion that honoured the spirit of service, sacrifice, and mateship at the heart of both the ANZAC tradition and the game of rugby. With heartfelt thanks to Everton Park and Norths for joining us, the day brought our clubs together not just in competition, but in shared remembrance and respect. Rugby's values of teamwork, resilience, and camaraderie closely mirror those commemorated on ANZAC Day, making this event a meaningful tribute and a powerful reminder of the bonds that unite our community both on and off the field.
- **The Queensland Emergency Services 9/11 Memorial Event**, held in partnership with Queensland Fire and Police, was a significant occasion for our club and the wider community. This event served as a powerful tribute to the courage and sacrifice of emergency service personnel, both past and present, who dedicate themselves to protecting others. By bringing together the rugby community and our local heroes, the memorial fostered a spirit of respect, unity, and gratitude. It was an opportunity not only to honour those who serve, but also to reinforce the values of teamwork, resilience, and support that are shared by both emergency services and

rugby. We are proud to play a part in commemorating their service and strengthening the bonds within our community.

- **Pacific Youth Rugby Festival**, a highlight of our calendar, saw the Brumbies honoured to host this three-day event for a third year—welcoming over 80 teams from across the region. The festival celebrated rugby, culture, and community, offering thrilling matches, cultural exchanges, and opportunities for new friendships. Hosting an event of this scale reflects our club's strong reputation and commitment to providing meaningful experiences for all involved.

Our volunteers, sponsors, coaches, managers, and committee members have been instrumental in making all these occasions possible, and their dedication continues to strengthen the Brumbies family.

A heartfelt thank you to Everton Park Roosters and the Pine Rivers Pumas for welcoming our players into their teams in age groups where we couldn't field a Brumbies side. Their support ensured our players could continue to represent the Brumbies while becoming valued members of their respective teams. This generosity and collaboration highlight the camaraderie and depth of friendships that exist across clubs, strengthening our rugby community as a whole.

As we celebrate another successful season, our focus turns to the future of rugby at Albany Creek. Next year marks our 30th anniversary—a milestone that promises even greater opportunities for growth, participation, and achievement. We are committed to building on this year's successes by expanding our teams, fostering inclusivity, and providing a supportive environment for all players to thrive.

The Brumbies will continue to champion the values of teamwork, respect, and passion, ensuring that every member—on and off the field—feels valued and inspired. With the ongoing support of our community, we look forward to an even bigger and better 2026 season.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to making this year so special. Together, we are building a legacy for the future of rugby at Albany Creek.

Courtney West
President



Junior Rugby Report 2025 Season

1. Overview

The 2025 season was another strong and memorable year for Brothers Rugby Club. We proudly fielded **836 registered junior players** across a total of **56 teams**, ranging from Under 4s through to Under 18s, along with a growing girls' program and inclusive development initiatives.

Our age group teams breakdown was as follows:

5 x U6, 8 x U7, 6 x U8, 8 x U9, 4 x U10, 4 x U11, 2 x U12, 3 x U13, 2 x U14, 2 x U15, 2 x U16, 2 x U17/18, 3 x U13 Girls 7s, 1 x U17 Girls 7s, 1 x MRP, and 1 x Lil Bros "Get into Rugby Walla" group.

Participation and enthusiasm across all age groups remained strong, reflecting the continued health of junior rugby within our community and the strength of the Brothers brand.

2. Player and Team Achievements

It was an excellent year on the field, with a number of competitive highlights:

- **U14 Division 2** – Premiers 🏆
- **U12 Division 1** – Minor Premiers
- **U13 Division 1** – Grand Finalists
- **U13 Division 3** – Grand Finalists
- **U14 Division 3** – Semi Finalists
- **U15 Division 1** – Semi-Finalists
- **U16 Division 1** – Semi-Finalists

We also had several players selected into their respective **BJRU representative teams**, and a number who participated in the **U11 and U12 BJRU Carnivals** — a great reflection of the development pathways within our club.

3. Development Programs and Initiatives

Brothers continues to prioritise player development and participation pathways from our youngest age groups through to Colts.

- **Lil Bros – Get into Rugby Walla** program continues to grow term by term, providing a fun and inclusive introduction to the game for our youngest players.
- The **U6–U9 hub model** with Easts and GPS proved to be a great success, improving the player experience by reducing travel and allowing for better-balanced fixtures.

- The **U10–U15 Rugby Academy** held in Term 1 provided players with a valuable pre-season preparation block, focusing on skill acquisition and game understanding.
- Our **July school holiday program** was another standout, featuring appearances from Reds players currently representing Brothers, which was a thrill for our juniors.

4. Girls Rugby

Female participation remains a key strategic priority for Brothers. We fielded **three U13 Girls 7s teams** and **one U17 Girls 7s team** in 2025.

While we continue to face challenges engaging girls in the 15-a-side format, our focus remains on building the 7s pathway and ensuring a welcoming, supportive environment for female players to develop and enjoy rugby. The growth and enthusiasm within this space has been very positive and we'll continue to build on it in 2026.

5. Challenges and Learnings

The season wasn't without its hurdles. Wet weather early in the year disrupted pre-season preparations and forced multiple field closures. We also saw slightly lower U6 registrations than anticipated.

Our **bottom field** required significant attention this year due to surface issues, but we're pleased to report that a **full renovation** has been completed and the upgraded surface will be ready for the **2026 season**, ensuring a much-improved training and playing experience.

6. Community and Culture

Brothers remains proud of its family and community culture.

The **Junior Presentation Day**, supported by club partner **Ray White**, was a highlight of the year — a relaxed Sunday celebration featuring Reds players presenting awards and engaging with families.

Volunteer coaches, managers, referees, medics, and parents continue to be the backbone of our program. Their tireless efforts each week ensure our young players enjoy the game in a positive, structured environment reflective of the Brothers values.

7. Focus Areas for 2026

Looking ahead, our strategic priorities for next season include:

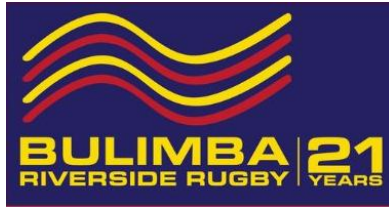
- Expanding **coach development programs** to support volunteer education and accreditation.
- **Recruiting and promoting more referees** within our community.
- Implementing the **U8 Tackle Transition Program** to ensure players are confident and safe as they move into tackle rugby.
- Continuing to grow **female participation pathways** through 7s and introductory rugby programs.
- Maintaining high standards of player experience and community engagement.

8. Closing Remarks

On behalf of Brothers Rugby Club, I would like to thank the BJRU for its continued support and leadership throughout the 2025 season.

To our volunteers, players, parents, coaches, and sponsors — your commitment, passion, and loyalty to the Butcher Stripes ensure Brothers continues to set the benchmark for junior rugby in Brisbane.

We look forward to 2026 with renewed energy, improved facilities, and the same community spirit that makes Brothers Rugby Club such a special place to belong.



Bulimba Riverside Junior Rugby Union – 2025 Season Report

2025 saw Riverside celebrate its 21st year in operation, with a gala birthday event held at the club on Sunday 10 August. We thank our past and current volunteers, sponsors and Life Members without whose support Riverside would not exist.

Despite ongoing recruitment with strong connections to the local community and schools and healthy sponsor support, Riverside has seen a 30% decline in player numbers over the last 4 years with similar decline in volunteer numbers. However, we have continued to field teams in all age groups from U6 to U15, with the exception of U12. The club remains committed to exploring opportunities to grow local participation. Part of this growth strategy includes the establishment of female teams within the club.

This year Riverside and Wynnum Rugby formed a combined 'Barbarians' U14 team in order to give opportunity to players from both clubs. Although each club hopes to field its own team next year, we appreciate this collaboration and positive approach.

We congratulate our U15 and U13 teams who were Runners Up in their respective Div 1 and Div 4 competitions.

This year saw the U6-U9 Saturday competition trial a 'hub' format, with all games played at one host venue each week. This resulted in only two home games for the season, with extensive travel impacting players' families and ultimately limiting player availability. This was exacerbated by a draw that prevented games against our two nearest rivals in Easts and Brothers. Feedback has been provided to BJRU and we trust that 2026 will see a return to a traditional 'home and away' approach, including the local derby games.

This year also saw a shift in the U6 and U7 competition format from touch rugby to Tri Tag. Initial feedback is that it's a more complex entry into the sport compared with touch rugby, which is likely to impact both registrations and parent volunteers.

For the sixth consecutive season, Riverside's end of year Summer 7s has again been a great success with broad support and participation from the local community for a six-week friendly touch competition.

We would like to thank the BJRU and all clubs for the 2025 season and wish them the best of luck for the upcoming season. We look forward to a healthy BJRU competition in 2026.

Steve Wilson
President
Bulimba Riverside Junior Rugby Union Club



Junior Numbers

2025 has been a very successful year for our club with player registrations are up 33% year on year with a total of 308 registered juniors including 166 new players for turning out in 2025.

This is our third consecutive year of double-digit player growth, our 3-year average growth rate of 26.25% is the highest average growth across the 26 BJRU affiliated clubs. Our significant year on year growth has positioned Caboolture Rugby Union as the 10th largest club in the competition. Player retention remains consistent at approximately 50% across all age groups.

Our Girls program has continued to demonstrate significant growth with 39 players competing in the Sunshine Coast Junior Girls 7's competition, allowing Caboolture to field teams in each of the three age groups (13's, 15's and 17's) for the first time since joining the competition in 2023. In 2026 the SCRUC competition will change to even age groups (12's, 14's, 16's and 18's), aligning with the SCRUC 7's representative pathways.

We remain committed to providing the best opportunities for our female participants to further their rugby journeys, our unique ability to offer participation in two competitions with the SCRUC 7's competition (Friday Nights) and BJRUC Gem series (15 a side) and 7's competitions (Sunday mornings) providing twice the opportunity for representative selection with our players being eligible for both the Sunshine Coast Stingrays and BJRUC representative pathways. Combining our existing 7's player cohort with eligible girls in our current under 10-12 age groups we are positioned to offer this unique opportunity to approximately 20% of our player population in these age groups.

2025 saw 10 players returning to the club after a period of absence. 8 junior players reached 5 year playing milestones and 2 Players reaching 10 year playing milestones and a further three representing the club for greater than 10 years.

Despite our competition leading growth, we were again unable to field a side in the u14 age group. Our committee is establishing a plan to work with nearby clubs to fill these age groups ensuring all players have an opportunity to take the field in 2026.

On field we had three teams progress through to the BRJU finals series (13's, 15's and 16's) with our under 15 and 16 sides both facing the eventual premiers in their respective semi-finals. Our Under 13 side found form in the second half of the season to win 5 consecutive games securing a position in the Division 3 grand final against Brothers White. On each of the two occasions these teams had competed in regular season a single point had determined the match result with the respective home team securing victory. The grand final would see our Snakes establish a 17-7 lead in the first half and hold on for a hard fought 24-7 victory with the final points being scored right on full time.

Representative Honors

In 2025 we had 25 players selected for various representative Rugby sides from school district sides through to Queensland Country and Emerging Reds. This represents approximately 15% of our player population in these age groups (11-16).

- **QRSS Rugby Union State Championships:**

- **Sunshine Coast** - AJ Lolohea (u12), Carter Betham (u12), Jamayne Fonoti (u12), Marcus Gordon (u12), Liam Merrilees (u15), Nathan Stoltz (u15)
- **Northern** – La'kye Filipo (u15)

selected to represent their respective districts at the Queensland Representative School Sports State Championships for their respective age groups.

- **BJRU:** Dylan Simpson (u13), Hunter Davies (u13), Jairus Patelesio (u16), Japheth Ah Kiong (u16), Josias Kinard (u16), Lorenzo Timaloa (u16), Marnel Toto (u16), Tavita Saulieone (u16) and Wilson Mailau (u16) were selected in the BJRU Possibles/Probables squads with Hunter, Jairus, Japheth, Josias, Lorenzo and Wilson being selected to represent the BJRU in the Queensland Country Rugby Championships in Townsville.
- **Stingrays:** La'kye Filipo (u14), Lilli Young (u14), Lala Bole (u17) and Natalyah Otto were selected to represent the Sunshine Coast in the Queensland Country Rugby Championships in Townsville.
- **City:** Jairus Patelesio (u16), Japheth Ah Kiong (u16), Josias Kinard (u16) and Wilson Mailau (u16) were selected to represent City in the City vs Country competition in June
- **QLD Country:** Qualifying through his participation in the SCRUI competition La'kye Filipo was selected into the U14 Queensland Country side for the City vs Country competition in June
- **Emerging Reds:** La'kye Filipo (u14) and Isaiah Mailau (u16) were selected to represent Queensland Country and Brisbane White respectively in the KDL Group Emerging Reds Cup at Ballymore in September.

Volunteer Recognition

Big Thanks to our volunteer coaches, managers, assistant coaches and everybody else who helped throughout the year.

Looking ahead to 2026 as we continue to grow, collectively we need to pull together a dedicated group of volunteers to supplement and enhance the efforts of our volunteer coaches and managers to drive even greater improvements in the operation of our junior club. This includes identification and up-skilling of referees for our u8 and u9 age groups, Saturday, Sunday and Events co-ordinators, and field marshals for each team. These roles are vital to help drive improvement and innovation amongst our junior ranks continuing our path of growth ensuring we are well setup to deliver an effective and positive rugby experience for all of our participants.

Lastly a massive thanks the committee and our staff for their support, this has been a big year for our club both on and off the field. None of which would be possible without the support of the committee, our sponsors and our wider rugby community.



Junior Rugby at Easts Rugby Union in 2025 continued to build on the strong foundations of recent years, with 871 junior players participating across our Tiger Cubs, Modified Rugby Program (MRP), and U6-U16 programs. While this represents an approximate 5% decline in overall registrations from 2024, our focus remains firmly on growing engagement and participation. With the excitement of the 2025 British & Irish Lions Tour, we're confident this momentum will inspire even more young players to take the field in 2026.

Across our Under 6–9 program, we fielded 272 players, delivering another fantastic season of fun, skill development, and community spirit. Our Under 10–16 age groups were again well represented with over 425 players enjoying the season. These players showing strong performance and teamwork across all grades, with all of our U13-U16 teams qualifying for semi-finals. Congratulations to all players and coaches for the commitment and passion shown throughout the season.

Easts Rugby Union held a U6-U9 gala day in September, where we saw a total of 341 registered players making up 33 teams that came to play on the day. It was great to see all the players and their support crews having a day of rugby and great fun.

We saw a number of players across our U14-U16 cohort that were selected for either Emerging Reds, Reds Academy or pulled on a jersey to represent QLD in the new Super Rugby Format. These exciting opportunities and pathways for our players provide inspiration to their peers and our younger juniors.

Our Girls Rugby program continues to go from strength to strength. In the Gem series we saw 10, 5 and 12 east players participating in the U12, U14 and U16 teams respectively combining with players from Albany Creek Rugby Union to field strong talented teams. The U12 team delivering a great win in the Gem Series grand Final. The Girls 7's was strong with two teams in U11 and U17's and one team each in U13 and U15. Majority of these team qualified for the finals.

The club's involvement in the Modified Rugby Program (MRP) remains a source of immense pride. We continue to strengthen our partnership with the MRP team to ensure the program remains an inclusive, rewarding, and integral part of our club community. Our Tiger Cubs program also thrived again this year, providing an engaging and enjoyable introduction to rugby for our youngest future players.

A major highlight for 2025 was the completion of our clubhouse renovations. These upgraded facilities have already made a huge impact, providing a more welcoming, modern environment for our players, families, and visiting clubs. The new spaces have enhanced our ability to host games and community events, further cementing East's as a welcoming community for our players, their families and friends and those that visit us.

As always, none of this would be possible without our incredible volunteers - our Coaches, Managers, Referees, Age Group Coordinators, and, of course, the supportive parents who make every weekend possible. Their energy and commitment are the heart of our success.

A sincere thank you also to the team members at our club for their ongoing dedication to the junior program, and to the entire committee and operations team for their leadership and support throughout another great year.

We look forward to 2026 with excitement, building on our strong culture, growing participation, and sharing our love of rugby with even more young players across our community."

Lucy Skelton
Junior Rugby Director



2025 has been another strong year of rugby at EPJRUC, with plenty of fun, growth and community spirit across both our Saturday and Sunday competitions.

We continued to build on the culture of our Club this year, with stability across all age groups and great representation both on and off the field. While it was not our biggest year for wins on the scoreboard, it was a very positive year for player development, teamwork and club connection — which remains at the heart of what we do at Everton Park.

Our girls program continued to grow, with representation in the Under 13 and Under 15 Sevens competitions, as well as an Under 13s Girls XV side which was a fantastic achievement. The girls did their Club proud every week, showing great spirit and commitment, and we are excited to see this part of the Club continue to strengthen year on year.

Across our minis and juniors, we saw stable numbers and strong participation. Our Under 6s, 7s, 8s and 9s were all well represented, and it was great to see our Under 7s expand to three teams this season — something we haven't achieved in quite some time. This shows the continued interest in rugby in our community, particularly with families joining or returning to the Club.

In total, we seen growth across the Club this season, reflecting a stable and healthy club environment for our players and families. We also continued to support players from other clubs who were struggling to field full teams, working closely with Pine Rivers Puma Rugby Union and others to ensure as many kids as possible could take the field. This support is something we are very proud of and reflects the spirit of rugby across the Brisbane Juniors.

A major highlight for 2025 was the Club receiving a Queensland State Government election commitment to complete our Master Work Plan. This is a huge milestone for EPJRUC and positions us well for the future. We are aiming to commence Stage 1 of the Master Plan before Christmas 2025, with further fundraising to continue into the 2026 season. This work will significantly improve our facilities and help create an even better environment for our players and families.

With our previous 2021–2025 Strategic Plan now complete — and having delivered several big achievements over the past five years, we will begin developing our next five-year Strategic Plan (2026–2030). This new plan will build on the strong foundations we have established and guide our growth and priorities for the years ahead.

It has been another proud year for our little club, and I would like to thank all our players, coaches, managers, volunteers and families for their ongoing support.

Jackie Hanly
President On behalf of the 2025 EPJRUC Committee



GPS Rugby Club Juniors and Operations Report 2025

First and foremost, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all of our wonderful coaches, managers, and other volunteers for contributing to the success we celebrated within the Junior contingent of the club in 2025. Across the whole Junior contingent, we have 53 teams, so it truly does take a village to keep Blue and Green hoops on the field each weekend.

Our on-field results reflected a few years of progressing results and were perhaps the best they have ever been. Our U6–U9 cohorts moved into the BJRU Metro Hub, a new competition, and our Sunday teams were again the strongest across the BJRU. We will certainly look to be even stronger performance-wise in 2026. One thing is for sure...club rugby at Yoku Rd is still very much alive and thriving.

Apollo All Abilities: 12 Players (52% decrease)

Our Apollo All Abilities program proudly celebrated its 10th year in 2025, recording another successful season under the guidance of Holly Mead and continuing to set the benchmark for rugby inclusion in Australia.

A highlight of the year was the introduction of the All Abilities Holiday Camp, which gave participants the opportunity to learn about the importance of nutrition, teamwork, and collaboration. The camp also featured a gym and field session led by Queensland Reds player Theo Fourie, providing an unforgettable experience for the players.

Club stalwart Tom Dangerfield once again excelled in his role as Head Coach, supported by a dedicated team of volunteers. His blend of tough love and deep rugby knowledge has a lasting impact on participants and remains central to the program's success.

True to our 'Club First' approach, nearly all senior players and coaches contributed to the program, further strengthening the connection between the Junior and Senior Clubs. To everyone involved—and to Apollo Property Group—thank you for your continued support in ensuring there is a pathway for all to enjoy our great game.

Pony Club: 102 Players (2% increase)

Pony Club continues to play an important role in the club's recruitment process, providing young players with an introductory pathway into organised rugby. It has been particularly pleasing to see a blend of new faces alongside the sons and daughters of past and current players, creating opportunities for families to share their rugby journey at GPS.

Sincere thanks are extended to Colts players Tobias Graham, Hunter James, Jude Knapp, James Prole, and Harry Thomson, who delivered the Pony Club program this year. Their energy, patience,

and enthusiasm are to be commended, as is their eagerness to nurture the next generation of GPS Rugby players.

Junior Girls: 49 Players (96% increase)

In 2025, the club made significant progress in the Junior Girls program thanks to the tireless efforts of a dedicated group of volunteers led by Steve Thirgood. While the program faced some initial challenges around eligibility, we proudly fielded teams in the U12 and U14 Gem XVs series for the first time in club history.

Following the XVs season, the girls seamlessly transitioned into the Girls 7s competition, with GPS represented by a U11, two U13, and a U15 team in the BJRU competition. Notably, the U11 and U13 Blue teams qualified for the semi-finals, narrowly missing out on progressing further.

To all the coaches, managers, volunteers, and players involved in the program—congratulations. Despite the hurdles you faced, the girls were able to take the field in GPS colours and represent the club with pride. We also extend our gratitude to Hudor Cleaning Services, Jonty Bush MP, Suna Shoes, Curious Minds Media, and Height 4 Hire for their valued support of the program; without them, the season may not have been possible. We look forward to what the future holds in the Junior Girls space in 2026!

Leading Try Scorers:

25 – Bailey Tavita – U11G GPS Blue

16 – Caoimhe Corbett – U11G GPS Blue

12 – Ivy Bishop – U13G GPS Blue

9 – Scarlett McVey – U13G GPS Green

6 – Pippa Forde – U13G GPS Blue

U6–U9 Competition

The 2025 U6–U9 season was a resounding success, driven by the BJRU Metro Hub, with GPS, Easts, and Brothers uniting to deliver a high-quality rugby experience for junior players across Brisbane.

The Metro Hub was designed to reduce travel burdens, create consistent scheduling, and foster stronger competition among geographically aligned clubs. In 2025, those objectives were not only met but exceeded, with early scheduling challenges already addressed in preparation for 2026. Participation remained strong across all age groups, with GPS fielding seven teams in both U6 and U7, and six teams in U8 and U9. The structure ensured balanced, competitive fixtures while easing logistical pressures for families and strengthening community spirit at host venues. Importantly, the Metro Hub also helped to smooth the transition through recent changes to playing formats and rules, providing consistency and clarity for players, coaches, and parents.

A notable development this season was the introduction of the modified tri-tag format for U6 and U7 players. This initiative created a safe and engaging pathway for the youngest participants to develop core skills while easing their transition into contact rugby in later years. Although there was initial scepticism due to its likeness to Rugby League, the format was warmly received by both parents and players and quickly proved itself to be an exciting and effective model, producing end-to-end rugby each week.

U10–U16 Competition

Our Sunday teams enjoyed outstanding success in 2025, thanks to the dedication and expertise of our exceptional coaching group. Few clubs can match the depth of experience, eAort, and good nature that our coaches bring to GPS across all age groups.

Perhaps the greatest strength of this group is their unwavering focus on rugby itself. While no club can expect every selection decision or substitution to be perfect, at GPS our coaches share one clear priority: fostering the development of rugby union and the skills of our players. This commitment underpinned the excellent results achieved across our U10–U16 teams this season.

Although premierships are not awarded in the U10 and U11 age groups, we were consistently competitive in every division, playing an attractive, ball-in-hand style of rugby that was particularly pleasing to watch.

Our three U12 teams were dominant in their respective competitions. U12 GPS Blue claimed the Division 2 premiership, U12 GPS Green finished as Division 3 premiers, and U12 GPS White secured the runners-up position in Division 4.

In U13, player numbers were again stretched across three teams, but our sides never backed down. U13 GPS Blue (Division 2) and U13 GPS White (Division 4) both qualified for finals, with U13 Blue producing a composed performance against UQ to be crowned premiers. Stewart Pentland, Nick Ballinger, Matt BlinkhoA, Warren Caesar, Ben Barrett, and Ash Elphinston should be proud of the eAorts of their players throughout the year. Not once did an U13 GPS team take a backward step, despite the challenges of the past two seasons that could easily have tested their resolve. This is a close-knit age group, and it is clear they will continue to flourish under such dedicated guidance.

The U14 age group was magnificent throughout the year, with all three teams qualifying for their respective Grand Finals: U14 GPS Blue in Division 1, U14 GPS Green in Division 2, and U14 GPS White in Division 4. In a dramatic day of mixed emotions, U14 White scored on the stroke of full time to avenge last year's Grand Final loss, while U14 Blue conceded in the final moments, suAering heartbreak in contrast to their clubmates' jubilation. U14 Green fought valiantly against an unbeaten Brothers side but were ultimately outclassed on the day. Rowan Chapman, Adam Crozier, Stephen Smith, Nick Boucher, and Troy Whalan deserve thanks for their leadership and commitment—it was a pleasure to witness the success your group achieved this season.

Our U15 program enjoyed a resurgence in 2025. With new coaches joining the age group and an influx of players, the quality of rugby lifted across both teams. U15 Blue, in particular, were outstanding throughout the season, playing with pace and width that consistently unsettled opposition defences. Both U15 Blue in Division 2 and U15 Green in Division 3 qualified for finals, with U15 Blue narrowly falling to Ipswich in overtime of their Grand Final. Wayne Londema and Nick Styman deserve great credit for the exciting brand of rugby their teams produced—it was a joy to watch. I would also be remiss not to acknowledge the outstanding contribution of Gary Waldon as age group coordinator. From leading preseason sessions to overseeing the grading process and coaching the U15 Green side, Gary has given nothing but his absolute best for the benefit of the players. On behalf of the club, thank you, Gary, for your tireless commitment and leadership.

Our U16 cohort also experienced consistent success throughout the year, with both teams qualifying for semi-finals. U16 Green faced a strong Norths side and, heavily against the penalty count, ran out of time to mount a comeback. U16 Blue progressed to the Grand Final against Easts, where they

finished as runners up. Both teams should be proud of the impact they have made throughout their time at GPS. To Ben McGahan, Nigel Mifsud, Troy Simkin, and age group coordinator Kam Aldridge, thank you for the time and effort you have invested in the boys this season. It has been a pleasure to work alongside you over the years, and I look forward to seeing you back at GPS in 2026, in whichever capacity that may be.

Playing Number Statistics

All Abilities: 12 (52% decrease)

Pony Club: 102 (2% increase)

U6 Participation: 77

U7 Participation: 71 (94.67% retention)

U8 Participation: 61 (85.91% retention)

U9 Participation: 68 (73.91% retention)

U10 Participation: 62 (98.41% retention)

U11 Participation: 53 (79.10% retention)

U12 Participation: 62 (80.52% retention)

U13 Participation: 61 (108.93% retention)

U14 Participation: 64 (98.46% retention)

U15 Participation: 49 (108.89% retention)

U16 Participation: 52 (70.27% retention)

U10–U16 Leading Points Scorers:

138 – Oliver Schodel – U10 GPS Silver

84 – Felix Townsend – U11 GPS Grey

81 – Jake Lorroway – U14 GPS White

80 – Jack Petrie – U10 GPS Blue

U6–U9 Leading Try Scorers:

39 – Kobe O'Leary – U6 GPS Silver

34 – Thomas Brown – U6 GPS Silver

27 – Ari Douglas – U7 GPS Navy

24 – Cooper Brock – U6 GPS Blue

U12–U16 Results

4 Premierships. 5 Runners-Up. 9 out of a possible 10 teams made semi-finals.

- U12 GPS Blue – U12 Division 2 – Premiers
- U12 GPS Green – U12 Division 3 – Premiers
- U12 GPS White – U12 Division 4 – Runners-Up
- U13 GPS Blue – U13 Division 2 – Premiers
- U13 GPS Green – U13 Division 3 – 5th Place
- U13 GPS White – U13 Division 4 – Semi-Finalists
- U14 GPS Blue – U14 Division 1 – Runners-Up
- U14 GPS Green – U14 Division 2 – Runners-Up
- U14 GPS White – U14 Division 4 – Premiers
- U15 GPS Blue – U15 Division 2 – Runners-Up
- U15 GPS Green – U15 Division 3 – Semi-Finalists
- U16 GPS Blue – U16 Division 1 – Runners-Up
- U16 GPS Green – U16 Division 2 – Semi-Finalists

Junior Representative Honours

GPS Rugby has always figured strongly in the Representative rugby pathways, and 2025 was no exception. The club congratulates the following players on their selections:

- U16 Emerging Reds: Leon Lane, Stanley Grellman, Mitch Wallis
- U14 Emerging Reds: William Forrest, Jameson McGahan, Xavier Jovanovic-Faataape, Henry Juniper, Samuel Boucher, Wendall Wilhelmus, Harrison McDonald, Isaac Mastenbroek, William Whalan
- U16 BJRU: Owen Aldridge, Declan Blundell, Angus Brand, Ryan Browne, Joshua Carrige, Hugh Clementson, Harry Eccleston, Noah Karam, Ivy Kurylewski, Henry Lorroway, Nicholas Prendergast
- U14 BJRU: Samuel Boucher, Ethan Jeremijenko, Isaac Mastenbroek, Harry McDonald, Jameson McGahan, Sebastian Nguyen, Luka Poulakis-Leituvae, Jeriah Slade-Suemai, Jack Somerville, William Whalan, Wendall Wilhelmus
- U13 BJRU: Thomas Clutterbuck, Finley Elphinston, Edward Heenan, Tadhg JaArey, Noah Taylor, Sullivan Webb, Ryder Woolford

Finally, to the 143 registered coaches, managers, referees, and volunteers, as well as the countless parents and siblings who assist with running the line, tee, or water—thank you for your tireless work in contributing to our great club.

Fraser Brydon



The 2025 season marked an exciting new chapter for the Lions Junior Rugby Union Club. With a refreshed committee, new coaches, and a growing group of enthusiastic young players, this year was all about rebuilding, reconnecting, and laying the foundations for future success.

The start of the season was not without its challenges, with the club unable to field an Under 10s team. However, we were able to keep the majority of the players and coaching group together by joining the Ipswich Rangers, and that team went on to have an outstanding year.

This year also saw a change in leadership, as we farewelled our long-serving President, Briston Toft, and several outgoing committee members. On behalf of the club, I want to thank Briston for his many years of dedication and service, and to extend my appreciation to the new committee members who stepped up to support the club this season.

In 2025, we proudly fielded two teams: Under 7s and Under 8s and welcomed new coaches into our coaching group. Our players had a fantastic season, developing their skills and embodying the Lions spirit both on and off the field.

This year, our focus has been on growing the club from the ground up, with the introduction of a Walla Rugby program to encourage new families and provide organic growth into our junior age groups in coming seasons.

As my first year as President, I'm proud of what we've achieved together and grateful for the support of our committee, coaches, players, and families. With solid foundations now in place, I'm confident that the Lions will continue to build momentum and grow stronger each year.

Stephen Crampton
President, Lions Rugby Union Club



It is my pleasure to present the 2025 Annual Report and Year in Review for the North Lakes Leopards Rugby Union Club.

I would like to thank every player, parent, volunteer, sponsor and supporter for contributing to the growth and spirit of our club. The Leopards continue to be a community-built organisation, reliant on volunteers and local support, creating a place where people come to learn rugby, build friendships and become part of a strong community family.

This season, our biggest teams were our littlest ones, our Cubs, and our Senior squads. It has been amazing to see our juniors grow in confidence and our seniors lead from the front, both on and off the field. That is what community rugby is all about: connection, learning, and pride in the jersey.

We did see some of our Sunday rugby teams move across to the bigger Premier clubs this year, and while that is always bittersweet, it is a good reminder that our community clubs offer just as many opportunities, just with a bit more heart, more fun, and more genuine connection. The pathway is here, and so is the passion.

These programs were supported by a dedicated team of coaches, managers, sports trainers and volunteers who gave their time selflessly to ensure our players enjoyed a safe, positive and development focused season. On behalf of the club, I extend my sincere thanks to all coaches, managers, trainers, committee members and volunteers. Your time, commitment and passion create the environment in which our players thrive. The success of our season reflects your dedication.

This year we also worked hard to remove some of the negativity that can sometimes creep into sport and replace it with what truly matters: community, fun, and respect for the game we all love. You can feel it when you come down to the fields. Whether it is a Friday night, a Saturday morning, a Saturday afternoon with music playing and families everywhere, or a Sunday morning with our juniors, there is a genuine sense of belonging and pride in what we have built together.

Building on the momentum from our 20th anniversary year, the committee focused on strengthening the club's strategic position for long term success. Our priorities for 2025 included:

- Reinforcing the financial stability of the club
- Continuing to offer affordable fees for families
- Supporting the growth of girls' and boys' junior rugby
- Improving the member experience
- Enhancing volunteer support and club operations.

A key part of this work included reviewing our sponsorship model, operational processes and partnerships to ensure sustainability and ongoing improvement.

We are deeply grateful for the ongoing support of our major sponsors, whose contributions enable us to continue growing and improving the club: Aquavac, Saxons Standpipes, Driven Waterproofing, North Lakes Hotel and Apartments, Cachet, Vending First and North Lakes Sports Club.

Thank you also to our valued club sponsors: Apogee Trophies, ISC, Fitness Creed, Caboolture Concreters Warehouse, Zande Law and Direct Chemist Outlet.

Your support has allowed us to:

- Maintain reduced club fees
- Provide every player with a jersey to keep at season's end
- Improve our equipment, canteen and merchandise offerings
- Strengthen pathways and development opportunities
- Continue building a sustainable future for the Leopards.

We are also reviewing our apparel, canteen, equipment and merchandise suppliers to ensure they meet our standards for quality, delivery and value for money.

This year brought many proud moments for the Leopards. Some further standout highlights include:

- Superhero Day for our U6, U7, U8 and U9 teams
- Presentation days that highlighted our players' growth and achievements
- One of our U12 girls selected for the ADZ Energy Simon Abubakar North Region Silver Squad
- Both our Senior Men's teams reaching Week 2 of the finals
- Three of our players being selected to represent QSRU at the Australian Rugby Shield
- Continued expansion of our Cubs Program, the future of our club
- Successful launch and growth of our Girls U13 and Women's Rugby 7s teams
- Improved social media reach and community engagement
- Building stronger relationships with neighbouring clubs and local government
- Growing representative opportunities for our players.

As I close this report, I want to personally thank every member of the Leopards community for your support, encouragement and commitment throughout the season. Serving as President has been an honour and a privilege. The heart of this club lies in its people, and I am grateful for the volunteers, families and players who make the Leopards what it is today.

As President, the role comes with a significant mental load and big responsibilities, but without our committee driving us, chipping in and inspiring those around them, none of this would be possible. I have always believed that no one person is bigger than the club, and as I step down, I am confident that with the dedicated people stepping onto the committee, the Leopards will continue to be in strong hands and great shape for the future.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to Steve Brackin, who will be stepping into the role of President for the 2026 season. Steve brings a deep passion for our club and a commitment to supporting our growth. I know the Leopards are in excellent hands and look forward to seeing the club continue to thrive under his guidance.

To BJRU, QSRU, Queensland Rugby and all participating clubs, thank you for another successful season.

The North Lakes Leopards are in a strong and exciting position for the future and that is something we can all be proud of. Once a Leopard always a Leopard.

Jake Howlett

North Lakes Leopards Rugby Union Club – President 2024-2025



The 2025 season was another successful one for Norths Junior Rugby Club. The major initiative we achieved was to merge with our senior club and this has proved to be a successful transition. The merge has brought with it greater alignment, consistency and efficiency and we hope to leverage the benefits of this larger membership base as we move into next season.

On the field our numbers grew which was very pleasing. For the first time in quite a number of years we fielded teams in every age division for both the boys and girls programs. We had 2 junior Colts teams as well which was extremely pleasing and a great way to promote the pathway between junior and senior rugby. Our Saturday teams have strong participation, and we are working hard to keep building our numbers in the older age groups. Our performances on the field were generally strong across the board, and we saw great development with our teams' skill levels. Our U13 Blue team won the Div 1 Premiership which was an amazing achievement and U15 Maroons won the Div 4 Premiership after coming from behind in a nail biter. Our U16 Blue team went through the regular season undefeated but couldn't finish the season as they hoped and come away as Runners Up in Div 2 which is a great achievement for the team. We had several of our Girls teams who made finals in both the XV's and 7's competitions through the season and this program continues to be a shining light for our club.

We had many of our boys and girls selected for representative honours this year across different age groups and formats and we are extremely proud of the way they conducted themselves and represented the club. The trip to Townsville for the U13 and U16 age groups was a real highlight and something that players and parents involved spoke very highly of.

We continued to support the MRP and Ginger Cloud in any way we could and hosted several events for the program this year. We hope to continue working with the team and supporting the ongoing success of this initiative.

A few special thanks must go to:

Our Norths committee. All members worked tirelessly to deliver the best experience down at the club as we could. All your efforts are hugely appreciated.

Our sponsors, existing and new. Thank you so much for your investment in Norths Junior Rugby club. Your support allows us to deliver the best rugby experience we can for our members.

Our coaches and managers for your on-going support and dedication.

Our dedicated volunteers. It was great to see so many familiar faces committing their time to help the club through the season. We will continue to broaden our volunteer base with many hands making light work.

Brec Fenton: Vice President - Norths Rugby Club



Overview:

2025 saw the Pumas arrive at a wonderful milestone of 40yrs! The 2025 season has been a year of meaningful growth, strengthened culture, and outstanding teamwork across the Pine Rivers Pumas Junior Rugby Union Club. Our commitment to connection, care, and community has been clear from pre-season through to finals. The club again demonstrated its ability to deliver high-quality rugby experiences while upholding strong values of respect, inclusivity, discipline, and service. We finish the year more unified, more stable, and with stronger systems and very increased community engagement.

Club Snapshot & Seasonal Progress

2025 was one of our most productive and community-focused seasons.

Key achievements included:

- Growth in player numbers within multiple age groups, strengthening long-term pathways.
- Successful integration of new families, supported by clear communication and strong club culture.
- High-quality hosting of major events, including:
 - Club 40th Anniversary celebration.
 - BJRU U12 ADZ Energy Simon Abubakar Development Carnival
 - BJRU Junior Grand Finals Day
 - Girls Rugby Series rounds
 - U6–U9 Pumas Carnival
 - Pumas Trivia Night
- Improved operational flow across registration, marketing, and event management.
- Continued strengthening of club identity, expectations, and behavioral standards.

Coaching & Volunteer Development

- Our coaches and volunteers remain central to the strength of the Pumas.
- Coaches set clear expectations early and demonstrated strong leadership, care for players, and consistent modelling of club values.
- Newer coaches grew in capability, supported by experienced club and committee members.
- Volunteers delivered exceptional efforts across canteen operations, field setup, equipment, raffles, hub days, and finals hosting.
- Junior volunteers also stepped up at key events, showing pride in representing their club, themselves and their families.
- A focus on wellbeing and shared workloads helped reduce burnout and maintain high standards throughout the year.

Closing Statement

2025 has been a year of growth, stability, and deeper identity for our club.

We have strengthened our foundations, expanded our community, built stronger systems, and delivered a season that reflects the very best of who we are.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the Brisbane Junior Rugby Union (BJRU) for their ongoing support, guidance, and partnership. Their leadership provides vital opportunities and development pathways for our young players, and we are grateful for their continued trust in our club.

Tim Limmer

President The Pine Rivers Pumas Junior Rugby Union Club Inc.



Redcliffe SeaSnakes 2025 Report

The 2025 season was another outstanding year for the Redcliffe SeaSnakes, marked by growth, community engagement, and exciting new initiatives. Our club continues to thrive both on and off the field, with participation and volunteer involvement reaching record levels.

Club Growth and Participation

Building on the momentum of previous years, player numbers increased again in 2025. We welcomed more junior players across all age groups and saw strong engagement in our programs. The Tiny Tots program transitioned to being run by an external provider, which has introduced even more young players to rugby and strengthened our grassroots pipeline.

Committee and Volunteer Strength

Our committee grew to its largest size in recent history, reflecting the incredible commitment of our community. A healthy volunteer base enabled us to expand our activities beyond rugby, hosting successful Oztag and Softball tournaments that not only increased revenue, showcased our facilities but also brought new families into the club environment.

Financial Success and Fundraising

These additional events, combined with a strong year of fundraising, significantly boosted club revenue. This financial strength supported key initiatives, including the highlight of the year—our U16 girls' touring experience in Rarotonga. This milestone demonstrated our commitment to providing unique opportunities for our players.

Looking Ahead to 2026

In 2026, we will continue to:

- Deliver on infrastructure improvement targets.
- Further increase visibility and participation across the peninsula and local schools.
- Focus on developing our coach and manager volunteer base through structured training and support programs.

The Redcliffe SeaSnakes remain committed to fostering a vibrant rugby community, creating pathways for players, and ensuring our club continues to grow sustainably.

Melissah Toomey
Secretary



The 2025 season marked a major milestone for the Redland Bay Cyclones Rugby Union Club, our first full season operating from the new clubhouse and upgraded fields. After several years of disruption, the club was finally able to re-establish a true home base and rebuild the sense of community and belonging that defines who we are.

Our junior teams enjoyed an excellent year, showing strong growth and continued improvement across age groups. Several of our junior players were selected to represent BJRU and to participate in the Pacific Youth Festival, clear recognition of the pathways and coaching support being developed within the club.

Our coaches also deserve special acknowledgment, with a number selected to assist at the Pacific Youth Festival. Their involvement demonstrates the quality of our coaching program and the opportunities available for development within the Cyclones community.

Our senior team recorded a successful season, narrowly missing a grand-final appearance by a single match. The combined women's team, in partnership with the Muddies also achieved excellent results, falling just short at the final hurdle in their plate competition but proudly representing both clubs with passion and sportsmanship. Participation has continued to increase across both junior and senior ranks, a strong indicator of the club's ongoing growth and renewed enthusiasm throughout the 2025 season.

Off the field, our World Cup Night was a major highlight, an evening that celebrated rugby culture, great food, and community spirit. It reminded everyone why events like these are so important to a community club.

We also hosted a Ladies Night, which was another great success and a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the contribution of women across all areas of our club, from players and coaches to parents, volunteers, and supporters. Events like these are vital to strengthening our culture and engagement beyond the playing field.

While 2025 presented its share of internal challenges, the committee has shown great resolve and a genuine drive to continually improve our governance, structure, and transparency. We recognise that progress in these areas takes time, and the commitment to ongoing improvement remains strong.

We would like to acknowledge and thank our 2025 sponsors, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Bawa Homes, Solar Air Energy, Austek Roads, Nardia Plumbing, Fresh Cuts Butchery, Mt Cotton Sourdough Bakers, Snooze Capalaba, for their outstanding contribution this season. Their ongoing involvement has been invaluable, helping the club deliver quality programs and maintain our facilities. We look forward to continuing to build on these relationships as we plan for the seasons ahead.

As a club, we remain committed to strengthening our volunteer base and filling key coordination roles essential to long-term success. Some initiatives outlined last year, including formal coordination of canteen, merchandise, and broader club operations, have been delayed, but the focus has not been lost. We continue to seek the right people and processes to support these areas and ensure the club remains well-organised, welcoming, and sustainable for years to come.

The committee has also begun reviewing playing and training kit designs for upcoming seasons, with the goal of introducing a refreshed look that helps cement the Cyclones identity across all age groups. In addition, planning is underway to provide training resources for coaches and managers, including support in using Rugby Explorer and managing game-day administration. These are small but important steps in strengthening the professional side of how we operate as a club.

With our first full season in the new clubhouse behind us, and only a few interruptions due to weather, we're in a stronger position to progress these goals through 2026.

The 2025 season has reaffirmed what makes the Redland Bay Cyclones special, genuine people, strong community spirit, and a shared love of rugby. Our achievements on the field have been matched by the dedication and resilience shown off it.

To our players, coaches, volunteers, sponsors, and families, thank you for your ongoing support and belief in the Cyclones. Together, we've taken another step forward, and I'm confident the future of our club is brighter than ever.

Yours in Rugby,
Greg Murphy
President



The start of 2025 posed some significant challenges as works on the club fields were brought forward a year. This change meant we had two weeks to relocate the club house facilities as well as finding alternative training and playing areas. I believe we navigated this fairly well considering the time frame we were working with.

Playing numbers in the junior age groups showed significant increases despite the adverse training conditions and I would like to thank all parents and players in putting up with the challenges they faced. In the u13, u14, U15 and U16 age groups all teams contested semi-finals with the U14 team winning the premiership flag. In the seniors, the men claimed back- to back premierships in the Barber cup competition. In the womens , the amalgamation with the Cyclones women was a great success and hopefully our womens program can continue to grow in 2026.

Planning for the 2026 has commenced. We are confident that the training and playing aspects of the year will continue with minimal disruption. We are also excited to announce that the clubs playing fields works are well under way with three full sized fields under construction. In addition, a new clubhouse is to be built and delivered prior to the commencement of the 2027 season. I would ask that our members and players continue their support of the club as we enter this exciting stage of the club's development. We continue to work hard with the aim towards hosting a team in the men's and women's world cups in 2027 and 2029 and the Olympics in 2032.

I would also like to thank our current and new sponsors for their support during these difficult times. Your support is greatly appreciated. In addition, I would also like to thank all the coaches, managers, volunteers and parents who spend countless hours ensuring that the season runs seamlessly. Your help and support is valued and I look forward to seeing you all back in 2026.

Finally, I would like to thank Tiki and Leanne as well as the 2025 committee for their support. The club would not function as well as it does without your tireless efforts.

I wish the incoming committee well in their endeavours in 2026.

Mike King

President: Redlands Rugby Union & Recreation Club Inc

2025 JUNIOR RUGBY ANNUAL REPORT

Introduction

The 2025 season has been a remarkable year for the Junior Rugby program at Souths Rugby Union Club. Our players, coaches, volunteers, and supporters have worked together to create a positive, competitive, and inclusive environment for all participants. This annual report highlights our achievements, challenges, and developments throughout the season.

Participation and Growth

Our junior program saw strong participation in 2025, numbers are steady. The club welcomed new families and retained many returning players, reflecting the community's enthusiasm for rugby and the club's commitment to youth development.

Participation Category	Registered Participants
Modified Rugby Program	21
Managers	31
Coaches	48
Other registered Volunteers	20
Players	419 (Tri Time – 45, Walla – 33, Junior Colts – 26, XVs Juniors - 306)

Age Group	Number of Teams
Mini Magpies	(Under 5s) Friday night development program
MRP	1
U6	2
U7	3
U8	2
U9	2
U10	3
U11	1
U12	2
U13	1
U14	2
U15	2
U16	1
Junior Colts	1
Total Teams	24

Team Performances

Throughout the season, our junior teams demonstrated impressive skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Several teams reached the finals in their respective divisions, and many players achieved personal bests and development milestones. The club is proud of the dedication shown by our young athletes both on and off the field.

Notable Performances

- U16 Black Division 2 Champions
- U12 White Division 5 Runner Up
- Junior Colts Semi Finalist
- U15 Black Division 1 Semi Finalist
- U14 Black Division 1 Semi Finalist
- U14 White Division 3 Semi Finalist

Coaching and Development

Our coaching staff continued to focus on skill development, tactical understanding, and fostering a love for the game. Training sessions emphasized not only rugby fundamentals but also personal growth, respect, and resilience. We provided ongoing education for coaches, including workshops and mentoring opportunities.

Community Engagement

Souths Rugby Union Club strengthened its ties with the local community through supporting local school rugby programs, rugby clinics, and family events. Our volunteers contributed countless hours to ensure matches, training, and club activities ran smoothly. We also partnered with local businesses and organisations to support our junior program.

Challenges and Opportunities

While the season was largely successful, we faced challenges such as managing field availability, adapting to weather disruptions, and ensuring spectator and volunteer behaviour standards were maintained. These experiences have helped us identify areas for improvement and set goals for the 2026 season, including expanding facilities and increasing coach recruitment.

In 2025 there was significant change to the competition organisation and structure for U6-U9 teams. This was a decision of the competition organising body the BJRU. The impact of this change was that we only hosted 2 Saturdays of BJRU rugby. At this point in time there is uncertainty about the direction of the U6-U9 competition in 2026. It is hoped that this competition structure is reviewed to ensure rugby and all clubs thrive throughout the wider Brisbane area.

Acknowledgements

We thank all players, parents, coaches, managers, volunteers, and sponsors for their ongoing support and dedication. Their contributions are vital to the continued success of our junior rugby program.

Special thankyou to our age group coordinators Robin, Tim, Eric, Suzy, Adrian, Jess, Erin, Ben, Shaun, Michael, Enda, Dan and Chris. Their leadership and support are critical for a successful season. Daffyd our club registrar for his behind the scenes work in ensuring players are registered and parents are supported through the season. Thank you

Team Awards

Team	Award	Winner
U13 Black	Best Forward	Harper Brooking
U13 Black	Best Back	Ethan Davis
U13 Black	Most Improved	Jack O'Callaghan
U14 Black	Best Forward	Archie Stafford
U14 Black	Best Back	Kai Nomani
U14 Black	Most Improved	Avery Timu
U14 White	Best Forward	Xavier Dorge
U14 White	Best Back	Billy Preston
U14 White	Most Improved	Sonny Frizzell
U15 Black	Best Forward	Will Edwards
U15 Black	Best Back	Tyler Browne
U15 Black	Most Improved	Daniel Gauna
U15 White	Best Forward	Harley Anning
U15 White	Best Back	Hamish Kefford
U15 White	Most Improved	Francis Bergin
U16 Black	Best Forward	Alex-tamati Pakau-Jobe
U16 Black	Best Back	Lachlan Watts
U16 Black	Most Improved	Reuven Pe'er

Perpetual Awards

Award	Winner
Karmichel Nepean-Hutchison U12 Memorial Shield	Braithan Gunn
Junior Magpie	Harper Marsahall
Senior Magpie	Ivo Anitema
Rep Player of the Year	Donovan Miller
Tom Lawnton Best Front Rower	Jerome Whippy
Kefu Team of the Year	U15 Black
Magpie Spirit Award	Declan Hansel
Souths Committee Award	Simon Daley
Souths Committee Award	Kel Harvey
President's Award	Chris Hansel

Representative Honors

In 2025 Souths was represented across many pathways teams including BJRU, QLD school sports, Emerging Reds and AIC and GPS 1st XV teams.

Congratulations to all players selected in pathways teams and for higher representative honors.

State Level Representatives

Player	Team
Ivo Anitema	U16 QLD Reds
Mitchell Durrheim	U16 QLD Reds
Jerome Whippy	U15 QLD Schools
Max Bolton	U18 QLD Schools

Malaki Lemalu
Tadhg Lyons
Flynn Corbett

U18 QLD Schools
U18 QLD Schools
U18 QLD Schools

Looking Ahead

With the momentum gained in 2025, Souths Rugby Union Club is excited to build on our achievements and further enhance the junior rugby experience in the coming year. We look forward to welcoming new participants and continuing to foster a strong rugby community. In 2026 we are looking to expand our rugby program to include girls' rugby. We will have a new club house facility ready for the 2026 season. We look forward to seeing more magpies turn into Wallabies and Wallaroos.



David Gall
SOUTHS RUGBY UNION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE –
JUNIOR RUGBY REPRESENTATIVE



2025 was a strong year for Sunnybank Junior Rugby, on and off the field. Despite a drop in numbers across U14-U16 boys, our Girls registrations remained high, with quality depth across our playing cohort across the club.

Sunnybank Rugby as Junior and Senior clubs have been working hard to align and systemize our player pathways to ensure we truly are 'A Place for Everyone'. We had strong representation across BJRU programs and championed our coach and manager development off the park too.

We completed significant renovations by August, delivering refreshed and improved supporter experiences and catering provision, refurnished home and away changing rooms, a future-proofed medical room and improvements to administration and broadcast capabilities. This major investment from our Board aligns with the Club's strategic vision for the future, where Sunnybank Rugby is a destination club.

The Club appointed our first Director of Rugby in Brad Harrington in June, with a view to improving our systems and sustainability for players into the future. His work to unify our Juniors, Colts and Seniors programs has been transformational already, and has reinvigorated our players and workforce equally.

Our volunteer workforce was a priority area for us in 2025, ensuring we are equipping our people with the skills and confidence to contribute to the rugby landscape for the long term. Sunnybank Rugby hosted multiple Coach and Workforce development opportunities throughout the year, including Junior and Youth Coaching Courses, Female Coaching courses, Governance courses, Rugby Xplorer & Administration courses, in partnership with QRU and BJRU.

On the field, our U16 Girls XV's took out the Gem Series Final, and our Girls 7s teams all made finals in September, with our U13 Green taking out the pennant. Our U13 XV's Div 1 and Div 2 teams also qualified for Semi Finals but were knocked out during playoffs. Our junior boys and girls also competed in our 7s program at Byron Bay 7s and Dbl Trbl.

Our U13's toured Fiji for the first time in September and had an immersive rugby and cultural experience. They played two matches whilst there, the final game against Navosa College, played at Lautoka park Fiji Drua's Stadium. Our players and their families had the best experience, and we are proud to offer this opportunity each year moving forward.

Sunnybank Rugby actively championed the QRU Girls Can Tackle Anything Programme in 2025. We had multiple come and try sessions where we attracted over 30 new players to the game, converting some players into the BJRU 7s season.

From the clubhouse several thanks must go to:

- Our Junior Committee - who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to provide a positive rugby

experience for our coaches, managers, volunteers and players.

- Our Club Sponsors for their ongoing support throughout the year. Your investment in the club enabled all players to take home this season's jersey and continues to help develop the community and family friendly culture at Sunnybank.
- Our volunteer workforce is one of Sunnybank's biggest assets and integral in the creation of our positive club environment. We are thankful for the time and effort of our volunteer committee, coaches, managers, and support teams who continue to give generously.
- To the BJRU who once again ensured the ongoing development and management of the competition for another successful season.
- QRRA and all BJRU affiliated clubs, members, and players for a great year of rugby.

Sunnybank Rugby is truly a community club; we are committed to working together with all clubs for the benefit and growth of rugby. We look forward to getting back out on the fields in 2026 and growing our great game.

Stephanie Karvelis
Sunnybank Rugby General Manager



UQ Junior Rugby (the Bullsharks and Junior Heavies) enjoyed another rewarding and memorable season in 2025. Building on the momentum of recent years, we expanded our programs, achieved strong on-field results, and continued to strengthen our sense of community. We remain proud of being a progressive club that delivers an enjoyable and inclusive rugby experience for every player.

A standout highlight was the launch of the Junior Heavies Girls program, which made an immediate impact with outstanding 7s performances. These early successes have laid the foundation for a thriving girls' pathway in 2026 and beyond. Our U13s capped off a fantastic year, securing the minor premiership and finishing Division 2 runners-up – a testament to the strength of our culture and the shared value of teamwork that runs through the club.

Across all grades, our Bullsharks teams played with passion and pride, supported by families and friends who created an atmosphere of belonging and celebration each weekend. Our Puppies program continues to flourish, providing a fun and engaging introduction to rugby and helping build a clear pathway from minis to senior rugby within the UQ community.

Off the field, our annual Graceville Long Lunch was another resounding success, attracting over 500 guests despite challenging weather. The event once again highlighted the depth of our community spirit and its reputation as a must-attend fixture on the local calendar.

As always, our success rests on the dedication of our coaches, managers, parents, and volunteers. Their commitment, energy, and generosity make UQ Juniors the family-friendly, community-minded club it is.

I would also like to acknowledge Jason, Frase, and Ange, who are moving on from their roles at UQ Rugby this off-season. Their contributions over recent years have been significant, and on behalf of our juniors, we thank them and wish them every success for the future.

Looking ahead, we are excited to build on this momentum in 2026, with the return of our Junior Development Officer, Ciara, who will strengthen our programs and school partnerships. The energy, passion, and resilience shown throughout 2025 give us every confidence that the Bullsharks and Junior Heavies will continue to build upon our success in 2026.

Dave Smithson
President: UQ Junior Rugby (Taylor Bridge)



First and foremost, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to the incredible community that makes Wests Juniors thrive. Our success this season is the result of a true tribe effort—our sponsors, our volunteer army (including age coordinators, field setup crews, medics, merchandise teams, raffle ticket sellers, coaches, and managers), and the parents who give their time and energy week after week. It takes a diverse and passionate community to operate a juniors program of this scale, and Wests is proud to be that community.

A special mention goes to **GingerCloud** for their partnership in running the Modified Rugby Program, supporting neurodiverse children to truly be part of our rugby family and experience all the benefits of our great sport. This initiative reflects the heart of our club—rugby for everyone.

Participation & Growth

- **Total Players:** 606 across Puppy Pack, mixed, boys, girls, and Modified Rugby programs.
- **Year-on-Year Growth:** Registrations increased from 532 to 606 (+14% YoY).
- **Age Cohorts:** Stable registrations in U11–U14 (growth between 12–17%), showing a strong core base.
- **Older Age Groups:**
 - U15: +69%
 - U16: +59%
 - Junior Colts: +129% (14 → 32 players)
This reflects successful retention strategies and growing interest in competitive pathways.

Early Development Pathway: We saw a decline in entry-level participation. In 2026, we'll target rebuilding the pipeline through school programs, parent engagement, and fun-first formats.

Girls Program: Continued growth in both 15s and 7s formats, supported by dedicated investment and coaching resources. Skills and numbers improved significantly, as seen in representative selections.

On-Field Performance: Our U12–U16 teams competed strongly across all divisions, with several sides reaching finals and demonstrating significant skill development.

Representative Honours

Wests congratulates the following players on their representative selections:

Boys:

Harry Harpham, Noah Shiells, Riley Groves, Tom Jacks, Henry Parsons, Davey Irwin, Madden Kamo, Marcus Williams

Girls:

Charity Wightman-Beaven, Dani Martens, Ella Duncombe, Holly Thompson, Quilana Williams, Caitlyn O'Carroll, Chiara O'Farrell, Edith Moloney, Laura Barlow, Leila McFarlane, Lily Graves, Matilda Strick van Linschoten, Mia Townsend, Bella Sullivan, Jessie Taylor, Kate Harison, Madeline Court, Mia Barlow, Mikaylah Williams, Oli Aubrey, Zara Smith, Edie Lippett, Mary Connors, Mia O'Farrell, Scarlett Leigh

“ **Vision and Mission**

To create an **inclusive** environment that provides opportunity to be involved in rugby and brings out the **full potential in every player**, fostering a lifelong love of rugby and establishing a strong **identity** as Wests Bulldogs. We aim to build a **premier junior rugby community** by nurturing rugby skills, fostering passion, and supporting excellence to elevate junior rugby standards at every level. Our goal is to create a successful and welcoming rugby community for everyone involved.

Community & Club Connection

Throughout the season, the juniors had the opportunity to feature in Half-Time Games at the Premier Grade finals, which helped strengthen the vital link between the juniors and seniors within the club. The Premier Day Experience provided our junior Bulldogs with an unforgettable day, allowing them to celebrate rugby at its highest level. This year also marked the introduction of the Bulldogs Awards, a weekly recognition program celebrating players who exemplify inclusivity, determination, perseverance, and teamwork both on and off the field. Additionally, significant investment was made in coach development, with new resources and planning tools introduced to ensure that coaching sessions are purposeful and structured.

Looking Ahead to 2026

- 1. Inclusive, High-Performance Rugby Community:**
Launch the "Bulldog Rugby" coaching system, align with leading clubs for younger age groups, and deepen juniors-to-seniors integration.
- 2. Community Engagement & Experiences:**
Friday night events, engaging game days, volunteer-driven activities, and innovative programs like "Come and Try" rugby, girls' touch, and summer 7s.
- 3. Structured Development & Governance:**
Dedicated roles (Junior Development Officer) and volunteer committees (including female programs) to drive growth, sponsorship, and smooth operations

Closing Message

Thank you to everyone who contributed to making 2025 a standout year for Wests Juniors. Your passion and commitment ensure that rugby remains a sport for all and that our Bulldogs community continues to grow stronger. We look forward to welcoming you back in 2026 for another exciting season.

Astrid Groves

Club President – Juniors, Girls & Modified Rugby



Introduction

It is my pleasure to present the Junior Vice President's Report for the 2025 season. This year has been one of exceptional growth, development, and community engagement for Wynnum Rugby Club. The energy across all age groups—from our youngest Wallas to our competitive junior teams—has been outstanding. The results on and off the field reflect the dedication of our players, coaches, managers, parents, and volunteers.

Walla Rugby (U4–U5)

This year marked the first time Wynnum Rugby has run a Walla Rugby program, catering to U4 and U5 players. The initiative was extremely well received, introducing our youngest members to the sport in a fun, safe and engaging way. Continued focus in this area will ensure the longevity of the club creating healthy numbers moving through the age groups ensuring our longevity.

Try Time (U6–U9) and Hub Model Challenges

The Try Time program (U6–U9) continues to thrive. The energy at this level was incredible, with players developing skills and building friendships that will form the backbone of Wynnum Rugby's future.

However, there were significant challenges with the BJRU Hub playing model, which focused primarily on centralised gala days. While the intention of this model is positive, the limited local fixtures and heavy reliance on single-location hubs created frustration among families and volunteers.

The club is actively engaging with BJRU and other stakeholders to advocate for a more balanced fixture model in 2026 that better supports family accessibility and regular game rhythm. The tag belts proved problematic, in particular the 3rd rear tag with one coaching injury sustained for the year and a review required. The transition to tackle for U9 in particular is also proving problematic and more support is required in this area. It was disappointing upon approaching both the QRU and BJRU to be offered very little support in this area.

U10–U16 Season Overview and Dispensation Challenges

The 2025 season for our U10–U16 age groups showcased strong competitive spirit, depth of coaching, and visible player development across all grades.

However, this progress was continually tested by administrative inconsistencies from both the BJRU and QRU, particularly surrounding player dispensations.

Dispensation and Eligibility Issues

Throughout the season, our club — along with many others — encountered unclear and inconsistently applied dispensation policies and a change in stance this season over previous seasons by the BJRU. These related to both:

- Size and safety dispensations (players seeking to play up or down an age group for

- safety/development reasons), and
- Team eligibility rules following regrading decisions made mid-season by the BJRU. Despite the QRU's stated focus on player welfare and inclusivity, many of these decisions lacked transparency or practical alignment with community rugby realities nor sound medical and independent coaching review and were able to be over-ruled by a "desk audit" without physically observing the player. How someone is without formal medical training is able to argue with trained medical professionals and the recommendations of both internal and external Level 2 and 3 coaches is beyond me and I believe we have this process very wrong not just on this level but on finding a way for all to play the game we love.

Whilst we acknowledge the number of dispensations requested would be over-whelming, in many cases, dispensation requests submitted in accordance with published procedures were delayed or declined without adequate reasoning or an appropriate manner within which to follow up, directly impacting participation and competition fairness.

The club continues to advocate for:

1. A clear, published BJRU/QRU dispensation policy with timelines and criteria.
2. Player-centric decision-making that prioritises safety and development over administrative rigidity.
3. Fair and consistent enforcement, ensuring that all clubs and players are treated equally.
4. A focus on the development of the game and increase in playing numbers. For the life of me I cannot see how it could be deemed safe to ask 14 to play up a grade as opposed to allowing 1 to play down. Surely the later is safer. We acknowledge consideration must be given to rep players and the likes but when the likes of the school system already runs on school year as opposed to age group brackets and they all have registration any blame game around insurance implications seems farcical. That being said we do support better independent review of birth certificates and actual height and weight measurements.

These issues are not unique to Wynnum but reflect broader systemic challenges in how junior rugby is administered. Our focus remains on collaboration and advocacy — seeking solutions that protect the player experience and uphold the values of fairness and community participation.

BJRU Interaction and U14 Finals Issue

This season presented significant challenges regarding the Brisbane Junior Rugby Union (BJRU) grading process. The grading process is inconsistent with many sides "foxing" the "Skills Development" Rounds to gain position in a lower division.

In addition to this our U14 team was initially incorrectly graded trialing against only Div2 and Div 4 sides after last year being in Div 3. This resulted in them commencing in Division 2 against the likes of Brothers Top team. The team simply did not have the depth (but plenty of heart) to compete at this level and had a tough 1st ½ of the season. When offered the option to move back a division, the club was not advised that doing so would make the team ineligible for finals. This decision — based on an interpretation of a rule not contained within the 2025

Competition Rules — prevented our U14s from participating in the finals series despite their strong on-field performance.

The club expresses its appreciation to those within the rugby community who provided support and advocacy during this process. We remain committed to constructive engagement with BJRU to ensure transparency, fairness, and consistency in future grading decisions.

Looking Ahead

As we look toward 2026, our priorities are to:

- Strengthen and expand the **Walla Rugby** program
- Work with BJRU to improve the **Try Time, Dispensation and Hub Model**
- Continue to grow the **Girls Rugby Program**
- Support and train more **coaches and volunteers**
- Enhance **pathways between junior and senior rugby**

Acknowledgements

Sincere thanks are extended to all coaches, managers, volunteers, and supporters who have given their time and energy throughout the season.

Thank you to the players, families, and volunteers who make this club what it is — a true community united by rugby.

Most importantly, thank you to our players — from U4 to U15 — for representing Wynnum with pride, teamwork, and passion. You are the future of this club.

Respectfully,

Josh Connell

Junior Vice President: Wynnum and District Rugby Union Club (Juniors)

REPORTS WERE NOT RECEIVED FROM:

BROWNS PLAINS RUGBY UNION CLUB – Non Active

FOREST LAKE RUGBY UNION CLUB – Non Active

IPSWICH RUGBY UNION CLUB

KENMORE CENTENARY RUGBY UNION CLUB

LOGAN RUGBY UNION CLUB

SPRINGFIELD RUGBY UNION CLUB

YATALA YARRABILBA RUGBY UNION CLUB

APPENDIX A

REPRESENTATIVE RESULTS & PHOTOS

In 2025, the representative program changed. An agreement was made with Queensland Country to participate in the Qld Country Championships in Townsville and RA introduced the first National Competition hosted by the Sunshine Coast.

Our aim was to provide a representative program for our junior players that has meaningful value, whilst being both time and cost effective.

Our representative season was extensive, with many successful programs delivered.

Under 18 Junior Colts Dream Team

With the conclusion of the Lightning Series, the Dream Team was selected.



U18 Representative Games		
Sun, May 18, 2025, 2:00 PM Bond University Field 1	U18 Boys BJRU Dream Team U18	31 vs 17 Melbourne Academy U18
U18 Representative Games		
Fri, May 16, 2025, 7:00 PM Albany Creek Rugby Union Club (Field 4) 4	U18 Boys BJRU Dream Team U18	20 vs 12 Melbourne Academy U18



They played against a visiting U18 Melbourne Academy Team on the 16th and 18th May 2025, hosted by Albany Creek RUC and Bond University.

Queensland Country Championships – Boys & Girls

Our teams travelled to Townsville on the 29 June to compete in the QCRU Championships on the 30 June – 2 July.

U13 Boys



Round	Date & Time	Location	Team 1	Score	vs	Score	Team 2
Round 5	Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 8:00 AM	Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U13 Boys NAVY U13	31	vs	5	Stingrays Under 13
Round 4	Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 12:40 PM	Townsville Sports Reserve 1	BJRU U13 Boys NAVY U13	15	vs	17	CQ Boys U13
	Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 8:30 AM	Townsville Sports Reserve 1	BJRU U13 Boys NAVY U13	100	vs	0	FNQ Storm U13 Boys
	Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 12:40 PM	Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U13 Boys NAVY U13	36	vs	0	Downs U13 Boys
	Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 8:30 AM	Townsville Grammar School A1	BJRU U13 Boys NAVY U13	21	vs	5	Stingrays Under 13

Round	Date & Time	Location	Team 1	Score	vs	Score	Team 2
Round 5	Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 9:00 AM	Townsville Grammar School 2	BJRU U13 Boys RED U13	38	vs	7	McClure Refinishing Townsville Broigas (GCC) U13 Boys
Round 4	Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 12:40 PM	Townsville Grammar School 2	FNQ Storm U13 Boys	5	vs	46	BJRU U13 Boys RED U13
	Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 8:30 AM	Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U13 Boys RED U13	22	vs	22	McClure Refinishing Townsville Broigas (GCC) U13 Boys
	Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 12:40 PM	Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U13 Boys RED U13	14	vs	17	CQ Boys U13
	Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 8:30 AM	Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U13 Boys RED U13	0	vs	38	Cyclones 13

Our U13 Navy team finished 3rd overall and U13 Red team finished 4th overall.

U14 Boys



2025 QCRU Championships U14 Boys	
Round 5 Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 10:00 AM Townsville Grammar School 1	Cyclones 14 15 vs 14 BJRU U14 Boys NAVY U14
Round 4 Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 4:30 PM Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U14 Boys RED U14 7 vs 22 BJRU U14 Boys NAVY U14
Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 11:00 AM Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U14 Boys NAVY U14 47 vs 7 FNQ Storm U14 Boys
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 1:30 PM Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U14 Boys NAVY U14 12 vs 13 Downs U14 Boys
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 9:20 AM Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U14 Boys NAVY U14 15 vs 10 Stingrays Under 14

2025 QCRU Championships U14 Boys	
Round 5 Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 11:00 AM Townsville Grammar School 1	Downs U14 Boys 10 vs 22 BJRU U14 Boys RED U14
Round 4 Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 4:30 PM Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U14 Boys RED U14 7 vs 22 BJRU U14 Boys NAVY U14
Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 9:20 AM Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U14 Boys RED U14 28 vs 0 Townsville Golf Club Townsville Broigas (GCC) U14 boys
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 4:00 PM Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U14 Boys RED U14 22 vs 0 CG Boys U14
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 10:30 AM Townsville Grammar School 1	BJRU U14 Boys RED U14 14 vs 0 Cyclones 14

Our U14 Navy team finished 2nd overall (sharing with GCDRU) and U14 Red team finished 3rd overall.

U16 Boys



2025 QCRU Championships U16 Boys	
Round 5 Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 10:00 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	Cyclones 16 28 vs 26 BJRU U16 Boys NAVY U16
Round 4 Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 4:30 PM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Boys RED U16 16 vs 20 BJRU U16 Boys NAVY U16
Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 9:20 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	BJRU U16 Boys NAVY U16 24 vs 14 FNQ Storm U16 Boys
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 4:00 PM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	BJRU U16 Boys NAVY U16 17 vs 0 Downs U16 Boys
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 11:50 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Boys NAVY U16 14 vs 15 Stingrays Under 16

2025 QCRU Championships U16 Boys	
Round 5 Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 12:00 PM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	Stingrays Under 16 9 vs 3 BJRU U16 Boys RED U16
Round 4 Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 4:30 PM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Boys RED U16 16 vs 20 BJRU U16 Boys NAVY U16
Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 11:00 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	BJRU U16 Boys RED U16 14 vs 7 Haymans Bectrical Townsville Broigas (GCC) Under 16 Boys
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 2:20 PM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	BJRU U16 Boys RED U16 5 vs 5 CG Boys U16
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 9:20 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Boys RED U16 14 vs 12 Cyclones 16

Our U16 Navy team finished 2nd overall (sharing with GCDRU) and U16 Red team finished 3rd overall.

U14 Girls



2025 QCRU Championships U14 Girls			
Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 11:00 AM Townsville Grammar School 2	BJRU U14 Girls NAVY U14	12 vs 0	A. Gabriell Constructions Townsville Brologas (QCC) U14 Girls
Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 8:00 AM Townsville Grammar School 2	Cyclones U14 Girls	15 vs 5	BJRU U14 Girls NAVY U14
Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 10:00 AM Townsville Grammar School 2	CQ Girls U14	0 vs 37	BJRU U14 Girls NAVY U14
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 1:30 PM Townsville Grammar School 2	BJRU U14 Girls NAVY U14	29 vs 0	Downs U14 Girls
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 10:30 AM Townsville Grammar School 2	BJRU U14 Girls NAVY U14	19 vs 0	Stingrays Under 14 Girls

Our U14 Girls Navy team finished 2nd overall (sharing with GCDRU)

U16 Girls



2025 QCRU Championships U16 Girls			
Round 5 Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 9:00 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Girls NAVY U16	7 vs 0	Downs U16 Girls
Round 4 Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 2:00 PM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	BJRU U16 Girls NAVY U16	5 vs 19	Northpoint Photos Townsville Brologas (QCC) U16 Girls
Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 10:10 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Girls NAVY U16	27 vs 0	FNQ Storm U16 Girls
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 1:30 PM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Girls NAVY U16	15 vs 0	Downs U16 Girls
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 11:00 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	BJRU U16 Girls NAVY U16	17 vs 0	Stingrays Under 16 Girls

2025 QCRU Championships U16 Girls			
Round 5 Wed, Jul 2, 2025, 10:00 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Girls RED U16	5 vs 40	Cyclones U16 Girls
Round 4 Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 3:40 PM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	Stingrays Under 16 Girls	0 vs 17	BJRU U16 Girls RED U16
Tue, Jul 1, 2025, 11:50 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Girls RED U16	0 vs 19	Northpoint Photos Townsville Brologas (QCC) U16 Girls
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 3:10 PM Townsville Sports Reserve 2	BJRU U16 Girls RED U16	7 vs 22	CQ Girls U16
Mon, Jun 30, 2025, 11:50 AM Townsville Sports Reserve 1	BJRU U16 Girls RED U16	12 vs 17	Cyclones U16 Girls

Our U16 Navy Girls team finished 3rd overall and U16 Red Girls team finished 6th overall.

U18 Girls



Our U18 Girls team finished 2nd overall

CITY vs COUNTRY – Boys & Girls

U13 Boys



Our U13 Boys are Champions.

Under 14 Boys



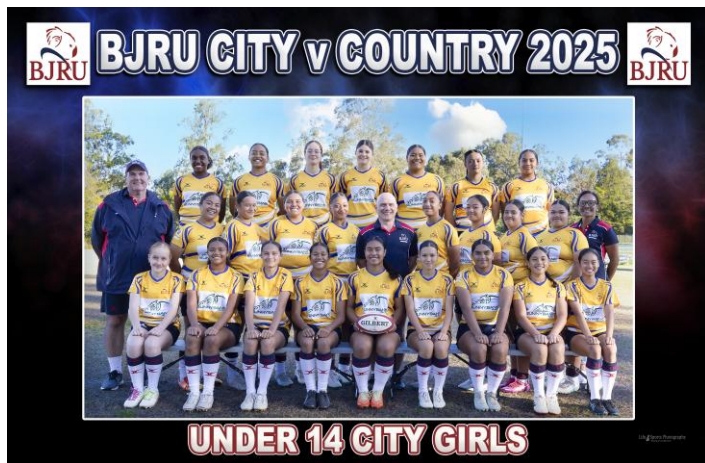
Our U14 Boys are Runners Up.

2025 QCRU Championships U18 Girls		
Sun, Jun 29, 2025, 12:40 PM Field 1 Mike Carney Toyota Park	24 vs 19	South Queensland U18 Girls vs Brisbane City U18 Girls
Sat, Jun 28, 2025, 11:00 AM Field A Mike Carney Toyota Park	17 vs 19	Brown & Hurley North Queensland U18 Girls vs Brisbane City U18 Girls
Fri, Jun 27, 2025, 1:00 PM Field 1 Mike Carney Toyota Park	14 vs 47	Central Queensland U18 Girls vs Brisbane City U18 Girls

City vs Country - U13 Boys		
Wed, Jul 9, 2025, 9:30 AM Albany Creek Rugby Union Club (Field 4) 4	22 vs 13	Brisbane City U13 Boys vs QLD Country U13 Boys
Mon, Jul 7, 2025, 9:30 AM Caboolture Rugby Union Club - Field 11	17 vs 15	QLD Country U13 Boys vs Brisbane City U13 Boys

City vs Country - U14 Boys		
Wed, Jul 9, 2025, 10:50 AM Albany Creek Rugby Union Club (Field 4) 4	15 vs 20	Brisbane City U14 Boys vs QLD Country U14 Boys
Mon, Jul 7, 2025, 10:50 AM Caboolture Rugby Union Club - Field 11	13 vs 17	QLD Country U14 Boys vs Brisbane City U14 Boys

Under 14 Girls



City vs Country - U14 Girls	
Wed, Jul 9, 2025, 12:10 PM Albany Creek Rugby Union Club (Field 4) 4 Brisbane City U14 Girls	17 vs 39 QLD Country U14 Girls
City vs Country - U14 Girls	
Mon, Jul 7, 2025, 12:10 PM Caboolture Rugby Union Club - Field 11 QLD Country U14 Girls	29 vs 17 Brisbane City U14 Girls

Our U14 Girls are Runners Up.

** U16 Boys, U16 Girls and U18 Girls played their City vs Country Games at the National Championships.

Brisbane City U16 Boys	5 FINAL 29	QLD Country U16 Boys
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U16 Boys are Runners Up

QLD Country U16 Girls	22 FINAL 0	Brisbane City U16 Girls
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U16 Girls are Runners Up

QLD Country U18 Girls	15 FINAL 7	Brisbane City U18 Girls
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U18 Girls are Runners Up

2025 Buildcorp Rugby AU Junior Rugby Championships - Boys & Girls

Our U16 Boys, U16 Girls and U18 Girls travelled to Bokarina, Sunshine Coast for the National Championships.



Brisbane City U16 Boys	5 FINAL 29	QLD Country U16 Boys
NT U16 Boys	0 FINAL 31	Brisbane City U16 Boys
Brisbane City U16 Boys	55 FINAL 7	Tasmanian Boys U16
RUSA U16 Boys	0 FINAL 34	Brisbane City U16 Boys

U16 Boys – Runners Up



	58	FINAL	10		Brisbane City U16 Girls
	22	FINAL	0		Brisbane City U16 Girls
	70	FINAL	0		Combined (TAS) U16 Girls

U16 Girls – 4th Overall



	55	FINAL	5		SA (Combined) U18 Girls
	15	FINAL	7		Brisbane City U18 Girls
	14	FINAL	17		Rugby WA U18 Girls

U18 Girls – 5th Overall

Invitational Cups

We hosted Melbourne Academy for Invitational Cups in U14 and U16.



U14 Karmo Invitational Cup

U14 Karmo Invitational Cup	
Sun, Jul 13, 2025, 10:30 AM Soulra Rugby Club - Field 11	67 vs 10 Karmo Talent ID XVs U14 Boys vs Melbourne Academy U14 Boys
Sat, Jul 12, 2025, 10:30 AM Wynnum Rugby Union Club (Field 11)	33 vs 12 Karmo Talent ID XVs U14 Boys vs Melbourne Academy U14 Boys

U16 AMP'D Invitational Cup







U16 AMP'D Invitational Cup	
Sun, Jul 13, 2025, 11:50 AM Soulra Rugby Club - Field 11	19 vs 45 AMP'D Talent ID XVs U16 Boys vs Melbourne Academy U16 Boys
Sat, Jul 12, 2025, 11:50 AM Wynnum Rugby Union Club (Field 11)	12 vs 34 AMP'D Talent ID XVs U16 Boys vs Melbourne Academy U16 Boys

Under 14 City Boys playing in the Emerging Reds Cup

Our U14 City Boys participated in the Emerging Reds Cup 22-25 September 2025 @ Ballymore.

We were Runners Up!



Mon, Sep, 22 - Round 1		
 Brisbane City U14 Boys	45 FINAL 24 	Southeast Queensland Gold
Tue, Sep, 23 - Round 2		
	SEQ White U14 vs BJRU U14 Boys - Round 2 27 FINAL 26 	Brisbane City U14 Boys
Thu, Sep, 25 - Round 3		
	BJRU U14 Boys vs QLD Country U14 Boys Round - 3 26 FINAL 24 	QLD Country U14 Boys ERC

Queensland State 7s Boys/Girls

Post season, the QRU 7s State Championships (November 15-16) included our U15 Boys for the first time.



Sun, Nov, 16			
GCDRU Cyclones UTS Boys 7s	7	22	BJRU U15 Boys 7s
Cup Final: 1st Overall v 2nd Overall			
SCRU Singrays UTS Boys 7s	21	7	BJRU U15 Boys 7s
Sat, Nov, 15			
BJRU U15 Boys 7s	45	10	CQ Bushrangers UTS Boys 7s
SCRU Singrays UTS Boys 7s	14	10	BJRU U15 Boys 7s
BJRU U15 Boys 7s	5	14	FNQ Rugby 7s UTS Boys 7s
BJRU U15 Boys 7s	24	0	Downs Rugby UTS Boys 7s



Sun, Nov, 16 - Semi Finals			
SCRU Singrays UTS Girls 7s	17	19	BJRU U15 Girls 7s
Cup Final: Winner Cup SF1 v Winner Cup SF2			
GCDRU Cyclones UTS Girls 7s	14	5	BJRU U15 Girls 7s
Sat, Nov, 15			
BJRU U15 Girls 7s	21	14	Queensland Indigenous U15
BJRU U15 Girls 7s	0	5	CQ Bushrangers UTS Girls 7s
BJRU U15 Girls 7s	36	0	Downs Rugby UTS Girls 7s
FNQ Rugby U15 Girls 7s	0	32	BJRU U15 Girls 7s



Sun, Nov, 16			
GCDRU Cyclones UT7 Boys 7s	17	19	BJRU UT7 Boys 7s
SCRU Singrays UT7 Boys 7s	40	0	BJRU UT7 Boys 7s
BJRU UT7 Boys 7s	20	0	TDRU Brookes UT7 Boys 7s
Sat, Nov, 15			
BJRU UT7 Boys 7s	24	0	CQ Bushrangers UT7 Boys 7s
BJRU UT7 Boys 7s	29	17	Downs Rugby UT7 Boys 7s
BJRU UT7 Boys 7s			Bye
BJRU UT7 Boys 7s	53	0	FNQ Rugby 7s UT7 Boys 7s



Sun, Nov. 16		
22	FINAL	7
15	FINAL	21
15	FINAL	19
Sat, Nov. 15		
17	FINAL	5
25	FINAL	5
0	FINAL	15
0	FINAL	0

Results:

U15 Boys – 2nd

U15 Girls – 2nd

U17 Boys – 3rd

U17 Girls – 5th

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Under 12 Simon Abubakar ADZ Energy Development Carnival

In its 20th year (began in 2005 and not played during covid), this program only had 6 teams this year from BJRU and 3 invitational teams (Gold Coast Cyclones, Sunny Coast Stingrays and Darlings Downs) joined us from other regions for the first time.

The carnival was hosted at **Pine Rivers** which is an ideal location for spectators, players and officials alike. The Gold Coast Cyclones won the Carnival.

2025 BJRU U12 ADZ ENERGY SA DEVELOPMENT CARNIVAL

EAST GOLD

Back Row L-R: Carter Stilling, Harry Phillips, Arlo Gilbert, Xavier Blandford, Sutton Gilbert, Harrison Versluis, Dylan Riley
 Middle Row L-R: Darren King (Asst Coach), Yuto Takada, Oliver Flint, Oscar Andary, Christian Lange (Head Coach), Matthew Schoeman, Joshua Schoeman, Hamish Owens, Aisake Mitchell (Manager)
 Front Row L-R: Noah Evans, Jack Lange, Alexander Lim, William Roussetos (Cpt), Oscar Puplett, Hamish White, Luca Coggins, Ryder McDonald

2025 BJRU U12 ADZ ENERGY SA DEVELOPMENT CARNIVAL

NORTH MAROON

Back Row L-R: Hugh Swaffield, Oliver Good, Kyrle Kepi, Kayleb Luyke, Hugo Glasson, Nathan Barry
 Middle Row L-R: Adrian Paita (Head Coach), Hardy Collier, Hunter Canoy-Crompton, William Carr, Liam Paynter, Aoria Carmody, Jack Schefermann, Rhythm Babbington, Kathryn Limmer (Manager)
 Front Row L-R: Declan Gale, Reg Tamakore, Charles Hardy, Oliver Valentini, Augusto Paita (C), Isaiah Denny (WC), Jack Thurgood, Zahra Blanchard, Joseph Limmer
 Absent: Lucas Denny (Asst Coach)

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NORTH SILVER

Back Row L-R: Tadhg Evans, Boston Silver, Legend Moefauo, Robert Simpson, Drew Prowse
 Middle Row L-R: Steve Davison (Head Coach), Alica Vickers, Caleb Paynter, Carter Betham, Christian Leger, Davis Hopoi, Adam Myers (Manager)
 Front Row L-R: Hugo Ferry-Garbe, Scarlett Jones, Israel Koroka, Oliver Hilton (C), Julien Sapolu (VC), Harrison Ballantyne, Flynn Jones, Angus Lippett
 Absent: Rafferty Yates, Jonny Vitaliano (Asst Coach)

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SOUTH EMERALD

Front Row L-R: Jack Greer, Heath Evans, Constantino Faleta, Alex Morris, Erving Anitama, Oliver Prior, Archer Lang, Curtis Colmer, Tane Ribhan
 Middle Row L-R: Adam Scott (Head Coach), Melika Hasandeddie, Liam Evans, Ryder Bolton, Hana Wilson, Rina Seleti, Shaun Nolan (Manager)
 Back Row L-R: Edward Griffiths, Henry Nolan, Connel Prebble, Sonny Lyons

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WEST BLUE

Back Row L-R: Peyton Olsen, Tyler Reynders, Mikhail Dorsamy, Lucian Bekue, John Van Heerden
 Middle Row L-R: Jamin Andrews (Head Coach), Austin Penridge, Rupert Gordon, Arthur Pye, Justin Muller (Manager), Hugo Reynders (Asst Coach)
 Front Row L-R: Charlie Reeves, Charlotte Brooks, Beth Groves, Magnus Muller, Dylan Van Aarde, Soren Andrews, Max Peasey, Madeline Morgan, Tiahn Taotof

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SOUTH JADE

Back Row L-R: Manaia Kidwell, James Keating, Hudson Box, Layla Holamotutama, Zac Batten
 Middle Row L-R: Nathan Garvie (Head Coach), Tristan Wall, Jeremiah Manu, Sandi Keating (Manager), Joshua Bentfield, Harry Oliver, Lachlan Crane (Asst Coach)
 Front Row L-R: Eddie Dennis, Antonio White, William Gittos, Vitani Sevele, Seth Maundrill, George Reidy, Harry York



Under 10 and Under 11 Development Program

We had 9 teams in U10 and 5 teams in U11 participating in our development programs.

We thank **Sunnybank RUC**, **Bulimba Riverside RUC** and **Norths RUC** for hosting our U10s and U11s.



These experiences are a great opportunity for players to experience the true nature of rugby as a community sport, accepting and building networks.