



MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION 2019 ANNUAL REPORT





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2019 OFFICE BEARERS AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The general affairs of the MJRU have been managed by the Management Committee, consisting of:

President	Peter Gibson
Secretary	David Beat
Treasurer	Greg Bunt
Gear Steward	Steven Painter
Vice President - Representative Rugby & Touring Teams	Gary Paton
Vice President - Minis Rugby	Jonathon Jackson
Vice President - Rugby Development	Barry Van der Water
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Seaforth Balgowlah Raiders Club Delegate	Will Tuckfield
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Manly Roos Club Delegate	James Maxwell
Manly Roos Club Delegate	Andy Evans
Forest District Rugby Club Delegate	David Dickenson
Forest District Rugby Club Delegate	Alistair Duncan
Allambie Jets Club Delegate	Richard Dixon
Allambie Jets Club Delegate	Fergal Cott

The Management Committee would also like to note the outstanding contributions of those upon whom Life Membership of the MJRU has been conferred:

Kath Angelo
John Goddard *
Rhonda Harrison*
Blair Leslie
Bob Oakes
Peter Taylor

** Deceased*

*** Deceased 2019*



PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2019

My initial year of President of the MJRU has been an eventful one and I believe 2019 has been a successful year for the MJRU both on and off the field.

I'd firstly like to thank the members of the Management Committee for their assistance throughout the year. Special note for the outgoing President James Forsyth who has been supportive throughout, providing a sounding board where necessary and constructive advice based on his previous experience in the role.

I'd also like to thank David Beat whose tenacity in the role of Secretary has contributed greatly to many of the achievements of the MJRU in 2019, and Greg Bunt who has kept the wheels turning in his role as Treasurer.

2019 also saw several changes at the Executive level of each of the Village clubs so many of us have been new to our respective roles. In saying this, the collaborative efforts of the delegates and Presidents from each club gives me confidence that we are all working together in the best interests of our clubs and for the MJRU as a whole.

The success of the MJRU also owes much to our generous sponsors, Club Totem, Bower Finance, Prime Facility and Asset Management, and Wahu who supported our Girls' Sevens program. Also thanks to the Manly Junior Rugby Trust for their ongoing support.

When I commenced as President, the transition was made easier through the fabulous work of those who have assumed the role previously. My aim was to expand the horizons of the MJRU and to continue encouraging player participation in conjunction with each of the constituent clubs.

The MJRU's primary role has been managing the representative program across the u10 to Open / u17 age groups, which until now has only comprised young men.

From the outset I have believed there were opportunities to encourage more young women to play rugby, either in the 15 a side format, or in the ever-growing Sevens format.

Foundations were already in place for Girls rugby with programs already run by both Forest and Seaforth Raiders at the club level, but we identified the opportunity to field MJRU Girls representative teams if at all possible as an area to concentrate on.

With the tireless support of many behind the scenes, I am proud to note that 2019 saw the formation of MJRU Girls Representative teams who took the field to contest the 2019 Southern Highlands Sevens in Bowral, and the 2019 NSWJRU Sevens State Championships in Forster. Manly entered teams across the u13, u15 and u17 age groups for the first time, with the u17 Girls team winning both competitions. There now exists a pathway for young girls to embrace rugby and follow through to the senior level and play for the Manly Mermaids.

These two Sevens tournaments were the culmination of all the work throughout the season where Manly clubs including Forest and Seaforth Raiders fielded Girls sevens teams in the Sizzling Sevens and Frosty Sevens tournaments.

Our aim for Girls rugby going forward is to capitalise on the successful Sevens programs now in place and ideally expand to 15 a side teams if possible. This will require substantial efforts and as a result we are looking to appoint to the MJRU Board, a dedicated Girls Rugby Board member to supplement the work of the existing Committee.

Whilst the Girls made a big impact in the Sevens, it is also worth noting the growth of the Boys Sevens Program.



In 2018, Manly fielded two u17 Boys teams in the NSWJRU State Sevens Championships with one side crowned State Champions. These efforts were progressed in 2019 where, for the first time, Manly entered u13 and u15 Boys teams in the Southern Highlands Sevens and the Sevens State Champions. Mirroring the achievements of the u17 Girls, the u13 Boys team won both competitions they entered and were crowned 2019 Sevens State Champions.

Overall, in less than a year, Manly has gone from entering one u17 Boys team, to entering both Boys and Girls teams in u13, u15 and u17 competitions which has been a marvellous achievement.

Sevens is continuing to grow as a critical part of the rugby landscape and its great to see that Manly is a major part of this.

In the Boys 15 a side representative arena, Manly had another successful year at the NSWJRU State Championships. The u10 and u11 competitions are both “Development” competitions where participation is the key and there is now ultimate winner decided in these competitions.

Our u10 Blue team went undefeated over the weekend, whilst our u10 Red, u11 Blue and u11 Red teams all came out on the positive side of the ledger with some great wins over the weekend.

The State Championships become a more competitive from the u12 age group through to Opens and Manly’s results across the board cemented our reputation as a strong rugby district. Our u14 and u16 squads reached the quarter finals, whilst our u12, u13 and u15s all reached the semi finals. I’d like to say a big thank you to all the Representative Coaches and Managers from each of the clubs for their efforts in providing our boys with opportunities to represent Manly.

Overall another successful representative year which is documented in more detail further in this Annual Report.

The representative season is a massive logistical exercise, both from the Manly perspective and the NSWJRU. A key figure for both these organisations over many years has been Gary Paton whose efforts have been recognised by the MJRU with his nomination for Life Membership of Manly Junior Rugby Union. The MJRU owes much to Gary for his tireless efforts and we hope to recognise Gary as our newest Life Member.

The relationship with the Manly Rugby Football Club continues to strengthen and I’d like to thank the Marlins for their support once again this year, particularly the outgoing President Anthony Bergelin, and the outgoing General Manager Kate Newton. Kate’s efforts to include Village Clubs in the Marlin’s Shute Shield game days has provided a great opportunity for many of the young boys and girls to have a run around on Manly Oval and promote the junior clubs to all those present. Good luck to both Anthony and Kate in their new endeavours, and congratulations to Cameron Douglas as the new Manly RFC President, and Rob Gallacher taking over as the new General Manager. We look forward to working together with the Marlins even more in the future.

Overall, it’s been a pleasure to be your MJRU President in 2019 and this has been largely due to the support of all the volunteers from each of the Village clubs.

Thank you to all the Village Club Presidents, various club Committee members, referees, coaches, managers, parents and supporters who have all contributed to ensure the MJRU continues its role to support and promote junior rugby in the Manly District.

Peter Gibson
President MJRU



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT 2019



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

To the members of **Manly Junior Rugby Union Incorporated**

We have reviewed the accompanying financial report of Manly Junior Rugby Union Incorporated which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 Sep 2019, and the income and expenditure statement for the year ended on that date.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Committee of the Association is responsible the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used are appropriate to meet the financial reporting requirements of the Association's Constitution and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Committee's responsibility includes designing implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances

Auditors Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial report based on our review. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2415: Review of a Financial Report – Company Limited by Guarantee, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report is not in accordance with the NSW Associations Incorporation Regulation 2016 including presenting in all material respects , the financial position of the Association and its financial performance for the year.

ASRE 2415 requires that we comply with the ethical relevant to the review of the financial report. A review of a financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and does not enable us to obtain reasonable assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly we do not express an audit opinion.



Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report of Manly Junior Rugby Union Incorporated does not comply with NSW Associations Incorporation Regulation 2016 including presenting in all material respects, the financial position of the Association and its financial performance for the year.

Peer Wealth

Chartered Accountants

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A detailed Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement is annexed to this Annual Report.



MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

2019 REPRESENTATIVE SEASON

2019 POSITIVE RUGBY FOUNDATION U10 NSWJRU STATE DEVELOPMENT GALA

MJRU U10 BLUE REPORT

The inaugural two-day format for the U10s Gala turned in to a 'Festival of the Boot', with the boys getting an action-packed weekend of footy, fun and friendships. Forty-eight teams across the two age groups, close to a thousand players, several thousand supporters and perfect weather made for a great atmosphere. Huge congratulations to all the boys involved in the Blues squad who wore the Marlins jersey with great pride and played their rugby in the right spirit.

The boys had put in a huge effort on the training paddock in the lead up to the Gala with a strong focus on core skills, fitness, and teamwork. This effort was clear for all the boy's friends and families to see on the first day as the team played some brilliant attacking rugby. The Blues opened their account with a big victory over Eastwood in a great team performance.

The second game was another strong display of team-first footy with backs and forwards combining via great support play and finishing up 45 nil winners over Hunter. The final game of the day was a much tougher encounter against a very skilful Randwick side. The boys were tested on defence but were up to the task, winning by a couple of tries.

Somewhere in between the footy and the food, four of the Blues boys found the energy to win the team sprint relay event – cheered on by all their teammates. A few rewards from 'Tah Man' capped off a great day out on the Central Coast.

Sunday saw the boys back at the grounds early and warming-up for a tough first up game against Gordon. The boys showed they kept a lid on any celebrations Saturday night playing their best game of the weekend to beat a well-drilled Gordon team 19 nil. The win was once again built around the boys playing as a team with the ball being spread across the park, and some great tries scored out wide.

Arguably the biggest test for the boys came in the second game against a much bigger Penrith side. Penrith scored first and tried to dominate with their size and power, however the boys put in a huge defensive effort tackling their hearts out and competing hard for the ball. The speed of the boys' game, and their fitness saw them get on top of a tiring Penrith in the second half and secure a 24-5 win in a very physical game. The boys got to sing the song one more time, with a big win in the final game against Illawarra on Sunday afternoon.

The boys finished the weekend unbeaten, scoring some great tries and standing out as one of the sides that played together as a team with great contributions across the park every game. Defence is all about attitude, and it was a credit to the boy's commitment, and camaraderie, that they conceded only two tries across the weekend.

As is always the case with these events many people volunteered their time and effort to contribute to the cause. The support of so many was greatly appreciated by all the Blues players and coaching staff. Thanks to Gary Paton and the NSWJRU crew who put together a fantastic event at a great facility. The whole weekend ran like clockwork – no mean feat with seven fields in action on both days.



For the U10 Blues, thanks to everyone who made sandwiches, cut oranges, and did their bit to get the boys to the Central Coast. Special mention to Mandy O'Donnell the 'Super Manager' who held everything together, and Cam Patterson, and Matt Moar for their efforts on game day; scoring, running water, and keeping the boys on track. A big thanks also to Nathan Cassie who provided some great memories for the boys with his amazing photography throughout the weekend.



Manly U10 Blues at half time

MJRU U10 Red Report

The Manly Marlins U10 squad had a great first year of representative rugby with some excellent results and an experience that I'm sure all players involved will remember fondly in the years to come. The response year to the call out for the boys to trial was excellent with the five village clubs all being well represented and a lot of skill and competitive rugby displayed over the two trial days.

That hard task of selecting the 36 players to form the squad was rewarded by the excitement of the players that were selected. A huge congratulation is in order to all the boys for making their first representative rugby team. The Blue and Red teams once selected worked hard at training to improve their skills, making new combinations as well as friendships.

Right from the start the U10 Reds had great respect for each other and formed a competitive team coached by Glen Dwyer and Damien Howison. The Reds had wins in their trial games against Warringah, Norths and Southern Districts playing a good brand of rugby and settling into the higher level of football.

The Championship weekend was a really well-run event held at The Central Coast Regional Sporting and Recreation Complex on 20 - 21 July and hosted by Central Coast Junior Rugby Union. The Reds players turned up ready to play and looking the part in their Manly kit. They had strong wins on the first day vs Eastwood, Randwick and Two Blues. Day 2 was a much harder test with a narrow lose to Gordon and a loss to a very strong Illawarra side. The boys shrugged off a tough morning and put on an awesome display against rivals Warringah Rats in the final game of the championship. The game was a tight tussle but unfortunately abandoned due to an injury suffered by a Warringah player.

All in all, the U10 Reds had a great time and successful year. I'm sure the boys will be looking forward to trialling for the U11s in 2020.



The Squad Manager, Mandy O'Donnell, was a wonderful in getting both the Reds and Blues organised and together. Also thank you to the Blues coaches Boru, Rich and Hamish, as well as to Gary Paton for overseeing the group and making sure it all ran smoothly.



Manly u11 Scrum at work, with full support in the background

MJRU U11 NZ Tour report

The U11 Marlins had an exciting year which kicked off back in August last year with fundraising commencing for our Marlins Tour to New Zealand in April 2019 and finished with a strong display at the State Cup in July.

Our pre-season began in February with fitness and team building sessions to prepare for the April tour. The u11s had an exceptional 10 days in NZ, touring alongside the impressive u12s team. Both age groups were unbeaten across the four NZ games, despite coming up against some strong and sizeable opposition, which is a remarkable achievement.

Off the field, the players were exposed to a number of new experiences, including billeting with host club families in Auckland and Wellington, and staying in a traditional marae to learn more about the Maori culture. The players also toured Eden Park (home of the All Blacks), the Skytower in Auckland and the thermal village, pools and luge in Rotorua. The players learnt a great deal about NZ and themselves, gaining new life skills via their new found independence. One special aspect of this NZ tour was that our players represented the Marlins values of respect and personal growth by learning and performing a Maori song in many settings during the tour as is customary in traditional Maori welcomes.

We had a great group of parents following the tour and it was an experience of a lifetime for the players and touring adults. Massive thanks to coaches Colin Maggs and Ben Squire, and trainer Mick Berne who gave their time generously and enthusiastically to the tour. Thanks to Team Manager Lena Lowe who steered our families through nine months of pre-tour fundraising and administration. Also Tour Mum Jane Marsters for her care and practicality and cultural attaché Craig Lowe for advising and speaking on our behalf at all formal Maori welcomes. Biggest thanks go to Tour Manager Lucy d'Almeida for the extraordinary amount of time and energy she put into making the tour a success.



U11 NZ Touring Squad

2019 POSITIVE RUGBY FOUNDATION U11 NSWJRU STATE DEVELOPMENT GALA

Manly Marlins U11 Blue Team State Championship Squad

Shortly after arriving back from New Zealand we commenced trials for State Cup. These were once again well attended and very competitive and a number of players who missed out in u10s forced their way into the squad through strong performances in trials and in club matches. The mix of players between Red and Blue also changed but again the u11s were able to select two very strong sides for the State Cup.

Trial games were arranged against the Warringah Rats and Southern Districts and despite the disruption of heavy rain and the school holidays we still managed to build on the platform developed on the NZ Tour. Given the players were required to play 6 games over 2 days we concentrated on developing strong overall skills and fitness along with the ability to play in several positions.

At the final practice the squad was joined by former Marlins and Waratahs player Tevita Metuisela who presented the jerseys to the players. This was followed by former Marlin Luke Donnan reminding the players about the Marlins values and what it means to represent the club at State Cup.

The NSWJRU State Championships was held in the Central Coast at Tuggerah on the last weekend of the June school holidays. The weather over the two days was perfect and the facility was outstanding as it hosted over 1000 players and their supporters across the u10s and u11s in a development style format with no finals for either age group.

The draw saw the Blue team line up against some very strong teams including Penrith, Gordon and Eastwood. The Blue team didn't play their best rugby on day one but still came away with three wins from three, including a lucky escape from a strong Woodies side in the first game. We then stepped it up on day two playing much higher quality rugby but just lost to Penrith by two conversions and Gordon by a single try. Our



final game against Illawarra had standout performances by all players showing how far they had developed and what serious contenders the Marlins u12s will be next year.

Thanks to coaches Colin Maggs, Craig Lowe and Nathan Patchett for their time, passion and direction. Also, to our many parents who assisted at training and with AR and GM duties and especially Brooke Jorey for her assistance with Rugby Xplorer. Thanks to team manager Lena Lowe for her first-class communication and organisation of our families and players.

Our biggest thanks are reserved for Gary Paton for all his organisational efforts and leadership which enabled another outstanding representative season.



Coco Marsters – first girl to be selected in Manly Junior Rugby Representative team

Manly Marlins U11 Red Team

The Manly Marlins Reds came together as part of the Under 11's development program, with a number of boys experiencing the trip of a lifetime to New Zealand in April. Off the back of what was a successful tour, the coaching team came together to build on the great work put in by Ben Squires and Colin Maggs during the preceding months.

With teams selected, we got down to the hard work of building a solid 'team first' culture for the NSWJRU State Championships and the boys came together quickly.

Over the course of the weekend 'The Reds' lined up against some strong teams including Mid North Coast, Randwick B and Gordon on Saturday followed by Illawarra, Two Blues and Randwick A on the Sunday. Saturday started on a good note with the Reds dominating their opposition in all three games playing some quality running rugby. Whilst there were some strong individual performances the quality of rugby played was beyond expectations. Sunday morning dawned, with much anticipation after finishing Saturday 3-0, however this was extinguished early as we came up against a strong Illawarra outfit that outmuscled our boys, to take the win.



Sunday afternoon finished with our final game against Randwick 'A' which was a late change. Much credit to the boys, who were coming up against a team that was super competitive in the higher grade. Our boys started well, however ran out of juice against a Randwick team that was chock full of talent. Player of the Championship was awarded to Johnno Lee who showed enormous improvement over the course of the weekend.

A big thank you to Lena Lowe for being the best u11s Squad Manager. The entire program couldn't have been put together without her efforts. Kate Dalton was invaluable as our Team Manager during the championship weekend. Thanks also to Mick Berne and Dean Semmens for working hard over the weekend as assistant coaches.

Massive thanks to Gary Paton for all his organisational efforts and leadership, and to our managers, coaches, assistant coaches, selectors, parents and supporters who all contributed towards a fun and successful season.

Have a great summer and see you next year.

Luke, Mick & Dean.

MJRU U12 NZ Tour

The 2019 U12 Marlins tour to New Zealand resulted in 4 impressive wins in 4 tough games. Not side particularly blessed with size or brute strength, the team had trained for the tour to use different points of attack (dependent upon where the opposition's defence was weakest), short and fast ball transfer heading into contact, techniques for retaining possession against bigger stronger boys, and accurate technical methods for obtaining quick ball from the breakdown. the philosophy for the forward play was inspired by Ireland's last tour to Australia (a convincing 3-0 whitewash), and the concepts adapted by all of the team were at very much a senior level.

The team improved in each game, becoming more and more cohesive throughout. the best displays of clean, fast, tough rugby were against the 'unbeaten for 25yrs' Rotorua district rep team, and the new side, Ingleburn, who were both big, fast, hard-hitting and skilful sides, but the final match against Lower Hutt proved to be the grittiest win in adverse conditions. in all games, it was wonderful to see the potential-filled backline start to fire and create space off the back of some go-forward. plenty of wonderful tries were scored out wide.

The rugby is but a small part of the tour, and the boys were able to experience the wonderful warmth of the kiwi nation (off the field), including the special traditional welcome at Rotorua, and thanks to the tour's obligatory and ubiquitous kiwi parents, were even able to participate in responding to such monumental and culturally sensitive ceremonies.

The touring adults all agree that the experience was extremely (and unexpectedly) rewarding for many many reasons, but mainly to appreciate the quality of the young men on the tour, and the ability to get to know them all a little better. their behaviour was exemplary, and it was oft remarked that the coaches and managers did not even get close to frustration / ire at any of the boys' behaviour.

there are so many people to thank for all of the work that went into preparing the tour, from the various management committees responsible for tasks such as fundraising, donations, and sponsorship, to the



amazing events inaugurated as a result, including the wonderful AIR 7s in October last year (which we hope holds legacy for future touring groups), plus the fantastic, Beach BBQ and Bledisloe fundraiser. special mention to our unflappable Tour Manager Lucy D'Almeida, who was somewhat wedged into the role and handled every little detail and situation with aplomb. such a wonderful experience that will never fade in our memories.

Coach - James McGrath

Coach - Matt Moar

Manager - Sio Ifopo

Tour Dad - Darrin Ingleton



U12 NZ tour Squad

MJRU U12 – State Championships Report 2019

The 2019 campaign was once again hosted by the wonderful Camden Rugby Club. A novelty for the boys to travel 'west', being greeted each morning with crisp and dewy conditions.

After some competitive trials, we formed a squad of 25 boys with some new entrants after the tour to NZ earlier in the year. Considering that most of the squad had started training in August 2018 (as prep for the NZ tour) the coaching staff eased into the physical stuff, deciding to focus on other elements of the game (player respect, structure and decision making). Our 6-week training campaign concluded with a team BBQ and captains run. Our single trial vs Wests was a blow out – Manly stopped scoring tries when the score was 90-0, showing that pace wins against size (in most cases!)

The champs were once again held over the long weekend in June. Our final results were: won 4, drew 1 (semi's) and lost 1 for 3rd/4th. A commendable result all round.

Saturday 8th June:



Our pool included Eastwood, Norths, derby foes Gordon and Rats. We started first game of the campaign against Eastwood very strongly. The forwards took control of the game, driving through pod structure. This gave the backs space to explore and we won 33-0. Eastwood never looked like scoring.

The second game against Gordon was, as expected, a tougher affair. We had to change game plan to combat their hard-running centers. 'Outside in' tackling forced them back into the forwards where we competed strongly at the rucks. 2 tries by Manly in the second half sealed the game 17-7 and a well fought victory.

Sunday 9th June:

For the Sunday morning we reset. A 'plan to the finals' was agreed with the boys as we had been able to see some of the strengths (mainly size!) and weaknesses (usually structure) of the other teams. Our first game against Rats was a much anticipated game, with most of the boys knowing each other. In the end, Marlins were far too strong, winning 24-0 with Rats again never really looking like scoring. Some brutal runs down each wing won us through.

With an eye on the semi's, the final pool game vs Norths was crucial. A fired-up squad took on a much bigger team, especially in the forwards. We were able to lock our scrum and deliver clean ball for the backs to run wild. We won 31-0 in a clinical display of running rugby.

Monday 10th – final's day

Nervs all round! For the semi's we were pitched against old foes Southern Districts. We started strongly in the first half, camping on their line. One loose pass saw an intercept try under our poles. We regrouped and pegged them back again, scoring an excellent team try to level the scores. The last 20mins we were all over them but just couldn't get the job done. Despite the draw and with no extra time, South's won the game as the first try scorer. There were plenty of tears, parents, players and coaches. But that's rugby.

In the playoff vs Hunter, we were never in it, deflated from the semi loss. We didn't even capture the score.

Overall though, a wonderful weekend and the squad should feel very proud. One of the many highlights for the boys was getting a pep-talk from legend David Campese. The boys were a pleasure to coach, the coaching and managing staff couldn't have asked for a more supportive and enthusiastic group of parents! Here's to next year and more singing of Manly Boom Boom!

Coach -	Sio Ifopo
Coach -	James McGrath
Coach -	Matt Moar
Coach / Manager -	Jonathan Jackson



U12s The Highs and Lows of u12s Rugby



U12 Marlins Squad

MJRU U13 State Championship Squad

The 2019 u13 State Championship in Maitland was a great success and Manly finished up as the highest placed NSW District side in the NSW State Championships.

Unfortunately, this was not quite enough to win the tournament, with Manly being knocked out in the semi-finals by the Victorian State team, who were subsequently beaten by the ACT Brumbies State team.

The boys entered the tournament with a renewed sense of optimism and confidence with a full-strength side, which was in stark contrast to the 2018 tournament where we finished up 9th.

The pools were based on the results of the previous year, so Manly's opening game was against the undefeated reigning State Champions, Parramatta. Whilst this appeared a daunting task, the boys took incredible belief into the game and defeated Parramatta 17-12 in a tight contest. This win set the boys up for a run through the tournament where the belief and camaraderie of the collective made the coaches and parents incredibly proud. Parramatta had not been beaten at this level previously and the Manly win, especially the style of rugby played, made many of the other teams sit up and take notice.



Our second game of Day one had us facing Sydney University. All the cobwebs and nerves had been blown out against Parramatta, and Manly put on a wonderful display, winning 39-0.

Our final pool game of day one was against Eastern Suburbs and a 69-0 win was a fabulous way to finish and prepare us for our final pool game to come on Day two.

Both the Manly and Northern suburbs squads stayed at the same hotel for the weekend. Whilst some of the boys from each squad knew each other from other representative school or rugby league competitions, Manly hadn't previously played Norths at a club or rep level. The Norths side included a large contingent of boys who played club rugby in the u14 competition so represented a major hurdle to progressing though to the next stage.

Day Two started with Manly v the confident (justifiably so) Norths team. In what turned out to be our tightest game of the tournament, Manly emerged as victors 12 – 7, scoring 2 tries to 1, notwithstanding being a man down for 10 minutes. The composure and tenacity shown by the boys was rewarded with a great win over a side that ultimately deserved a better position overall.

As a result of the victory over Norths, Manly topped the pool and faced our neighbour Warringah in the Quarter Final. This was another game where many of the boys knew each other from school and other sports and was always going to be a hard-fought contest. The score in the end, however, did not reflect this, with Manly running away with a 46-0 victory.

From coming 9th in 2018, we now were to contest the semi-finals. The 4 semi-finalists comprised a Victorian state team, an ACT state team, and Manly and Parramatta – the 2018 champions – from the same pool.

The boys played some wonderful rugby and refused to give up, however, were defeated in the end by a much larger Victorian team to the tune of 27-19. When we have an u13 opposition scrum with 3 players above 100kg, it was just a bridge too far to cross. This set up a final against ACT who beat Parramatta 12-0 in the other semi-final.

Our final game was the 3rd v 4th playoff, with the added incentive that the winner of this team was effectively the best NSW District team in the NSW State Championships. Manly held it together in what often amounts to be an anti-climactic game and beat Parramatta for the second time in the tournament by 31-12.

The key take-away from the tournament was the closeness of this group of boys who genuinely enjoyed each other's company, and this was evident on the rugby field.

The coaches couldn't be any prouder of the way the team conducted themselves throughout and we hope the majority of the boys continue through the age groups together.

A big thanks to the support team that contributed to the on and off field success of this great group of young men.



Manly U13 squad

Coach – Peter Gibson
Coach – Luke Donnan
Assistant Coach – Dan McMillan
Manager – Gerard O'Connor

U14 MANLY MARLINS STATE Championships report

After limited preparation and a weakened squad through injuries the team headed out to Orange excited to give the U14 State Cup a good crack.

First up on day one we played a spirited Warringah Rats who were all fired up for the local derby. We struggled to get going in the first half making lots of mistakes, so we headed into half time down 5-0. Fortunately once we got a bit of control we were able to finish strongly and score a few tries through our superior speed out wide with Zac Flynn scoring a couple. The final result was only 19-5 but we got the win and had a full healthy squad to select from for game two.

Our second game on day one was against Gordon, who ended up being State Champions. This was a performance to forget. We were on the back foot right from the start struggling to deal with their line speed and general intensity of their defence. Aside from a long range individual try from Tom Klem and outstanding defensive lineout work from Henry Ball, where he won all 6 out of 6 of their lineout throws, there weren't many positives from this game.

On return to the camping ground we had a team meeting to discuss where we could improve. The boys all agreed our attitude on and off the field wasn't where it needed to be and decided we were going to prepare much better for day two.

What a transformation. Right from the start of our warm up the energy and enthusiasm had improved significantly. We put in a really solid all round performance to beat Illawarra 27-0 to secure our quarter-final spot. Led by Paul Vaokakala and Harrison Bedingfield, the forwards were able to completely dominate the gain line allowing us to finally free up the backs with one try to Tom Klem and two to Zac Flynn. It was particularly pleasing for Levi Smith to score off the back of a lineout drive in the later stages of the game.



For the quarter-final we played an extremely well drilled ACT team. The boys fought hard but were no match for a state team who's skill level was way superior to anything they had ever played against. Unfortunately for the third year running we were eliminated at the quarter final stage.

On the final day we were surprised to see Northern Suburbs had unexpectedly lost to Gordon in their quarter-final. With a reduced squad due to a couple of injuries and the general exhaustion within the squad this game was always going to be tough. Norths completely dominated us physically leading to a disappointing final performance.

Congratulations to Tom Klem and Paul Vaokakala who were both selected to start for the SJRU U14's Representative team.

The big positive from the weekend was the boys continued to develop their friendships and their singing on the bus on the way home indicated they had a fun weekend together as a team. The boys love playing for the Marlins.

Coach - Andrew Blewman

Coach - Tua Marsters

Manager - Sarah Bedingfield



Manly U14s Squad



Manly Marlins U14s Thomas Klem and Paul Vaokakala after receiving Sydney jerseys .

Manly U15 State Championship Report

The U15s went into the State Championships Weekend a little underprepared with a disjointed Club competition and several injuries, with one player sadly ruled out on the eve of the competition with a recurring concussion. The boys started day one well with some solid results, the final pool game on day two was a tight affair with Manly going down 10-12, this meant they finished the pool second and were pitted against Randwick in the quarter final. Another good win and Manly advanced to the Semi Final, where they met Penrith (winners at U14 last year and eventual winners at U15). Whilst Manly matched Penrith in the first half with some great rugby, size and ample reserves won through for Penrith and Manly went down. Incidentally the four semi final teams were the same 4 last year in the U14s, with the North making up 3 of the 4 teams (Manly, Northern Suburbs, Gordon, Penrith).

Manly gave it their all in the semi final and when it came to the 3rd / 4th Play Off they were exhausted had nothing to give going down to Gordon.

Game 1	Manly 24 v Hunter 0
Game 2	Manly 24 v ACT Brumbies 7
Game 3	Manly 10 v Northern Suburbs 12
Quarter Final	Manly 34 v Randwick 14
Semi Final	Manly 12 v Penrith 33
3 rd / 4 th Play Off	Manly 7 v Gordon 26

This year's event will be remembered for a heart rendering scene. A Hunter player went down with a serious injury, his teammates gathered round and an ambulance was called. With the ambulance on the field attending to the injured player, spontaneously players from all 15 teams made their way to the injured player and formed a large circle around the player and the ambulance going down on one knee, there was a hushed



silence until the player was moved to the ambulance then the circle gave a solemn round of applause. Rugby what a game!

The player in question had dislocated his shoulder and was in a state of panic and serious pain, he was attended to by the paramedics and didn't need to visit the hospital and is expected to make a full recovery.

Congratulations to the players that were selected to represent Manly in the Regional Representative Teams

SJRU Northern Zone – Ben Di Staso, Noa Fatuui, Ollie Cummins, Jack Colbran, Sebastian Bush

SJRU Barbarians – Nic van der Reyden, Rory Morgan

The U15s are appreciative of the support from MJRU and from all the volunteers and parents that make it possible, especially our coaches – Damien Cummins, Sam Lane and Brandon Ward.



Manly U15 Squad

Manly U16 State Championship Report

A good improvement on 2018 saw The U16 2019 team reach the Quarter finals & bow out to the eventual finalists the ACT brumbies. Along the way the team had some good wins mixed with some tight losses & had to deal with injuries to key players but importantly had fun and continued to develop higher level skills.

This year we had a good mix of players from Forest & Vikings which was great to see. We were also lucky to have the coaching leadership & support of Saia Latu & Alex Helu. They both have significant playing & coaching experience. Saia having played Aust schoolboys & represented Tonga at world cup. Alex played 1st grade & currently coaching 1st grade manly colts. A big thanks to Saia & Alex, who stepped in at late notice to coach the team & did a great job to help the boys reach a higher level of skill and drive to reach an improved result in the competition. Also, as always Kylie & Dan for their amazing support contributions.

Thanks To Harry Forsyth who was a power of strength leading the way as our captain. Additionally, it was very pleasing to see that a number of players were then recognized for their performances at the championships with selection in the Sydney zone teams. Congratulations to Alex Simmons, Kai Wilson, Jono Taufa, Jay Sargent, and Ned Hillier on making the 16s Zone teams & Antony Taufa in the 15's.



Team trainings for the squad is an area for improvement going forward, however we managed as best we could, primarily this situation was due to player injuries and other commitments as such we rarely had a full squad.

Overall the team is looking forward to another crack next year & training commitment is one area that I think we can focus on to give the coaches & the team the best chance of success.

In terms of the games, Game 1 saw us lose in a very tight game vs last year's finalists Parramatta. Injuries to our hooker Kai Wilson, flyhalf Jack Callanan, who was unfortunately then out for entire tournament, & prop Ned Hiller had its impact, but the team performed well in a very physical encounter.

Game 2 saw us play Eastwood which saw the team build confidence & exhibit an exciting brand of rugby running out very convincing winners.

Game 3 saw us up vs arch enemies & eventual tournament winners The Warringah rats. The Rats had prepared a log time for this tournament & it showed in their cohesion, urgency & pressure which forced us into mistakes. A Gritty effort under pressure but the Rats were too good on the day

Game 4 saw us play a tough Central Coast team where the Marlins ground out a strong win

The results above pitched us into the Quarter Final vs the skillful Brumbies outfit. The scoreline flattered the Brumbies in what was a competitive, tough battle that our team took up to them.

The squad & coaches look forward to next year working to go deeper into the finals period.

Thanks for all parents for their support, food, provisions & kids for putting in enormous efforts

See you next year

Mark Sargent - Manager



Manly u16 Squad



MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

2019 NSWJRU SEVENS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

MANLY U15 GIRLS – 2019 SEVENS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS REPORT

Our U15 girls team travelled to Forster on the mid north coast for the 2019 Rugby Sevens State Championships from October 11-13. After a considered selection process, our final team of 12 was made up of girls from Seaforth Rugby, Forest Rugby and Monte Girls Private School. The team had 2 months of training together in the lead up to State Champs and in that time formed a very strong and competitive side.

Our 12 players were Ally Bullman, Pani Hopoate, Ariyah Berryman, Camille Berryman, Gillian Fa'Aumu, Sophia Addington, Anaia Cruickshank, Ava Osland, Georgia Grey, Jamie Studdy, Sofia Radcliff and Georgia Chapple. We had 3 coaches, Put Berryman, Joe Fa'Aumu and Todd Osland. Pia Carter also travelled with the team after injury saw her ruled out of playing.

Day one (Friday) consisted of 3 round games. First up we faced Mid North Coast and came away with a 22-5 win. This helped calm the nerves for the girls and gave them confidence going forward. Game 2 against Norths was another great win of 22-0 and game 3 was against Illawarra and the girls were outstanding, winning 43-0.

Day 2 (Saturday) started with our 4th and final round game. The rain fell all morning and made conditions difficult, but once again our girls played beautifully and came away with a 15-0 win over Hunter. Later that morning, with our team undefeated and top of our Pool, we were going into the Cup Semi Final vs Randwick Magic. Our girls started slowly and were down 12-0 at half time, but with an inspiring and motivational talk from our coaches at half time, our girls came back strong and took control of the second half, scoring twice. With 3 minutes left on the clock and the score now tied at 12-12, Randwick Magic scored and converted..... With this our girls focused, dug deep, fought back and with 40 seconds left on the clock we're able to score and convert to level the score at 19-19. The full-time whistle sounded and unfortunately, State Champ tournament rules in a Cup Semi, meant our girls lost on a count back. This was a hard way for our girls to bow out, and disappointing as we remained undefeated, but lost out on a spot in the Grand Final.

Day 4 (Sunday) rolled around and our girls were playing off for 3rd/4th place against Central North. The girls went out on the field and finished what they started, undefeated with a great 24-5 win. We couldn't have asked for anymore from the girls, they could all walk away knowing they gave everything they had over the 3-day tournament and should be extremely proud of what they achieved.

Our girls enjoyed themselves throughout the 3 days, both on and off the field. They stayed in cabins at Smugglers together and made the most of their time together. Much of their time was also spent with the U17 girls who were great role models and included our U15 girls in all that they did.

We were also fortunate enough to have one of our U15 Mums Heather Studdy (Jaimie's Mum), take brilliant sports photos throughout the 3-day tournament for MJRU. She captured some incredible moments and action shots that are now seen on the MJRU Facebook page.

Following on from the Sevens State Championships, Rugby Australia announced that they are now looking to develop players from a younger age and for the first time ever, the National Youth Sevens Championships will also include U15 girls. With this, 38 girls from across NSW were invited to trial for the NSW U15 girls Team. Of those 38 identified and invited to trial, 6 were from Manly. After this selection trial, the final squad was



announced, and we are fortunate to have 5 very talented and deserving Manly girls in the first ever NSW U15 girls Team.

The girls selected were:

Ally Bullman
Edie Burke
Sophia Addington
Pani Hopoate
Ava Osland

They will now take part in the National Youth Sevens Championships on the Sunshine Coast, Nov 30 to Dec 1 2019.

It's been an amazing few months and thanks to all who have been involved, players, coaches and parents, for making this an event to remember, with some incredible Rugby 7s played, many new friendships formed and everyone looking forward to State Champs 2020.

Also wanting to thank everyone at MJRU for all their hard work leading up to this event and for creating opportunities and pathways for girls on the Northern Beaches. The future of girls' rugby is looking bright at Manly.

Lara Bullman
U15 Girls Manager



U15 Girls Sevens



MJRU SEVENS GIRLS U17– 2019 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS REPORT

How exciting Manly was able to field all 3 Girls grades U13, U15 & U17 for state champs this year. In preparation heading into State Champs Mania Marsters organised a Manly carnival where all 3 teams competed against other representative clubs it was great for the girls to have some game time against quality opposition it was helpful for the coaches to get a good gage on how well each team were progressing before heading into State Champs.

U17s girls team was formed mainly from Seaforth Raiders and Forest village clubs. The U17 Raiders girls came off a very successful season winning both Sizzling and Frosty 7s giving the U17s team a really strong pool of players heading into State Champs. I should mention this is the first year the girls played Rugby 7s majority coming from a heavy Touch football background with a very strong attacking skill set and Rugby League background having strong defensive skill set.

Our Coach Stevie Berryman had the girls training hard focusing on fitness, ball movement, ball control, team structure and defence with the added help from Matt Burke, Matt Harris, Potatau Berryman, Jo Faaumu, Todd Osland and Andrew Bullman.

Day 1 of competition saw our team take on Newcastle Hunter, Central North and last year winners Southern District. Our first two games the girls gel really well putting on some amazing tries and starving the opposition of ball. Our last game of the day would be the toughest game in our pool our girls had to dig deep apply all those weeks of training and play some awesome Rugby. Having play each other 2 times this year those results would have no bearing on the match. It was a tough hard battle try for try, hard crunching hits, good ball movement and ball control in the end our team becoming victorious winning by the slimmest of margins 2 points.

Day 2 nice late start to the morning having the bye first up and only 1 round game for the day. Facing the unknown team New England our girls knew winning would mean straight through to semi-finals. Girl's worked hard having multiple phase's ball retention and doing what they do best letting the ball get to our edges to finish. Game run like clockwork girls listen to their Coach and came away with a Good win. We completed all our round games topping 1st place in our pool.

Day 3 Girls were pumped and looking forward to semi-finals only problem was we had no clue who our opposition would be. Finally, all pool round games were completed it was the organisers task of sorting out semi-final ranking. A little set back for us as we weren't named in the semi-finals we were playing off for 5th & 6th which didn't sit right with us. Off we went to right the wrong 1/2hr later we were set to play West Harbour in the Semi's. West Harbord who had lost during one of their pool matches pushed into the semi on a count back they were determine not to fall short again. Both teams put everything on the line. It was a tough battle the first few minutes of the game West Harbord scored first with a successful conversion which meant catch up football. Luckily some nice footwork and a full length run away gave us some much-needed points heading into the second half. Some strong words of encouragement trust the process, complete our tackles and let the ball go. Our girls came on firing scoring straight away into the second half. Next couple of minutes was a tough grind up the middle, a nice steal from one of our ball players the ball shifted out to our speedy winger and down the sideline we went. Leading by 2 points into the dying minutes of the game all we had to do was keep possession and by the grit of our teeth the girls held on. Some said that was the best girl's rugby they had seen all weekend it was an amazing game.



GF saw us facing an experience and well drilled Randwick Magic team. Both teams looked fit and fast but our experience backlines attacking skill set would be the difference between the two teams. Running in 4 tries to 2, our team was on fire stretching Randwick from edge to edge. Our forwards also showed case their strength in busting through tackles and offloading to their supporting players. Final hooter went and it was great to see the joy and happiness from the players knowing all the hard work they put into preparing for this campaign was overwhelming for all involve.

It was an amazing experience we would like to thank all the volunteers who made this event possible and to NSW Rugby for running a well organised tournament.

A special mention to our Coach Stevie Berryman who lay the foundation and groundwork getting these girls ready to become the next State Champions. His energy and motivation and believing in the girls from day one was inspiring to see.

Edith Nathan

Assistant Coach/Manager



U17 Girls – 2019 Sevens State Champions



MJRU SEVENS BOYS U13– 2019 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS REPORT

After a tough season of 15 a side rugby, a selection of boys put up their hands to have a crack at playing Sevens with the opportunity to represent Manly once again (all these boys played in the 15 a side u13 State Championships earlier in the year) at another State Championships.

Whilst all the boys were familiar with rugby, some hadn't played Sevens before and we enlisted the assistance of Harry Berryman with his years of Sevens experience to coach the boys the nuances of this game. Sevens share its fundamentals with standard rugby, however its demands differ in terms of strategy, execution and particularly fitness. Harry did a great job with the boys, ensuring they maintained interest post the regular season and kept the boys focussed for initially the Southern Highlands Sevens in Bowral, and then the 2019 Sevens State Championships.

The only tournament hit out we had was Bowral, but the boys managed to master much of the game in a short space of time and ended up winning the Bowral tournament at their first attempt.

The entire squad made it through Bowral without any injuries and went through to the State Champs with high hopes.

Day one saw us straight out of the blocks with a 37-0 victory over Central North. Whilst we were a little rusty, these boys always had the game under control, and it was pleasing to not let in any tries. Our next game was Mid North Coast and the boys went up a gear to win 57-0, once again keeping a clean defensive sheet.

Day two saw our final game of the pool against Blacktown, with the winner to progress to the Cup finals. In 15 a side rugby, games against Blacktown were always tough with their distinct size advantage, however, in Sevens, with less players on the same size field, the game would ideally play into the hands of the more skilful, fitter team. We proved this against Blacktown when we beat them at Bowral and this time the boys excelled themselves running out winners 24-0, notwithstanding having 2 additional tries disallowed.

We were now into the Cup Semi Finals up against Northern Suburbs. Norths were another team who relied on skills and fitness and had an imposing run of results in their pool. The game was always going to be a tough one and Manly ended up winning by a try, beating Norths 12-5.

This set up a final against the always strong Rockdale who entered the State Champs as a club, in addition to the Southern Districts representative side. Manly had not beaten Rockdale in any previous game and their combination of size, speed and toughness would be a challenge.

Once again, the boys, particularly in defence, were marvellous. Where several times Rockdale looked certain to score, our last-ditch efforts held the line, letting in only one try for the game. The boys remained calm and composed and when opportunities presented themselves, we took advantage, ending up scoring 2 tries to one and being crowned 2019 u13 Sevens State Champions.

The whole Sevens program was a fabulous learning experience for the boys who maintained a 100% record over two tournaments to take home two trophies. A big thanks to Harry Berryman who did a great job coaching the boys, and to Murray Warner and Brad Fittler, our bare foot trainers.



We look forward to more exposure to Sevens in the future.

Peter Gibson
U13 Manager



U13 Boys – Sevens State Champions

MJRU SEVENS BOYS U15– 2019 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS REPORT

From an initial slow start to the 15s campaign (4 at the first training). We were able to build a competitive team with next to no experience.

The final team comprised of 5 x 14yr olds making it a invaluable program for those boys playing in the same age next year, likewise for the 15yr olds stepping into 17s as younger players it provided them with some great experience and understanding of what it takes to compete in the 7s format.

The main focus leading up to Bowral and State Champs was getting the boys to play with a lot more width and less contact. Attacking the edges and not be too tempted by the easy metres cutting back in or half gaps resulting in needless contact.

BOWRAL - Our first game was a slugfest, pretty much playing exactly how we didn't train. But to their credit the effort was faultless, and we came away with a win. With a few tweaks our second pool game opened up resulting in some beautiful rugby mixed with some brutal defence and a ticket to the big dance. Unfortunately we didn't turn up with the right attitude and got dusted by an extremely talented Sydney Raiders team who



incidentally went on to with the NSW State Champs 2 weeks later - what did come out of the final was that when the boys decided to compete they were more than capable to match the physicality of bigger teams.

NSW STATE CHAMPS - with the added experience of Bowral and a couple weeks of training as a complete unit we put a realistic placing of where we thought the boys should end up - "somewhere in the middle". The top four teams were by far a cut above the four below and teams below that were quite evenly matched. Resulting in us playing our semi for the Plate Final against the same team in our pool.

DAY 1 - We came away with 2 wins. Like Bowral we battled out the first game (Eastwood). With little possession they showed lots of character by staying in the tussle, scoring tries against the run of play. The second game (Illawarra) we got into our structure early resulting in a quick start that flowed on for the rest of the game. From the outset we were able to get bodies in the right places to score through the middle and out wide.

DAY 2 - Started against Easts. As described by their coach Easts had "the perfect first half". Scoring several very quick tries that forced us to play catch up and push things too much. Again, in parts the boys were great but we couldn't build enough momentum to shift the game our way. The next 2 games were against Far North Coast, last pool game and semi final for the Plate Final. In both games we matched them try for try but we're pipped by goal kicks. The boys would agree that these games were frustrating as we had enough ball, opportunity and skill but Far North Coast wanted it just that little bit more and deserved their wins.

DAY 3 - After feeling a bit deflated the boys talked about at some point this would just come down to effort and who wanted it more, not skill., not speed, not size. Facing Randwick for 7th and 8th. This game turned into one of the most exciting of the tournament. Again, the boys were very polite preferring to let the other team to score first... trading try for try the scores were locked in at 15-17 our way. With 40 seconds remaining Randwick retrieved a kick, busting through a few tackles and with a clear run to the line, Max Marsters made a captain's play ankle tapping the player with Shannon Bosschieter making the final tackle to the end the game.

As mentioned, they've all gained a lot from the experience. 7th out of 17 State Teams was well deserved, there were 10 other teams that would have loved to finish 7th... See y'all next year.

MJRU SEVENS BOYS U17– 2019 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS REPORT

Coming in as defending champions we thought we would be seeded 1 for the draw, not so. With 3 Academy sides a league super side in the draw we were not given the any favours at all.

Our team consisted of MJRU current and ex player plus some boys from Knox who sort us out to play. A mixed group who got on straight away, they came to Forster ready to play but knowing the results were not everything. Friday started well with 2 wins then came the league super side who coming in fresh and were too much for the boys. After a evening bonding session the boys needed to front up to play Academy team 2 and win to keep in the main contest. Well keeping 17s interested from 8am to 4.30pm without them losing focus is not easy so after the long wait we played only to fall short by a conversion. Now in the 2nd tier finals the boys showed great strength to play their best rugby and win it to come 5th.



The result not what we worked for but still a worthy outcome against seriously strong opposition. From the event Oskar and Tom were picked to trial for NSW honours, at this stage don't know if they have been selected yet.



MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

2019 REPRESENTATIVE OFFICIALS

The success of the MJRU Representative teams, both on and off the field is due largely to the efforts of the coaches, assistant coaches, trainers and managers who give up their time to ensure the representative experience for our boys and girls is a pleasant and memorable one.

The MJRU acknowledges and thanks the below volunteers for their efforts during 2019.

UNDER 10 (BLUE & RED) STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Boru Kaghu	Coach
	Glen Dwyer	Coach
	Damien Howison	Coach
	Rich Head	Coach
	Mandy O'Donnell	Manager
UNDER 11 (BLUE & RED) STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Colin Maggs	Coach
	Nathan Patchett	Coach
	Luke Donnan	Coach
	Craig Lowe	Coach
	Mick Berne	Assistant Coach
	Dean Semmens	Assistant Coach
	Lena Lowe	Manager
	Kate Dalton	Manager
UNDER 11 NZ TOUR	Colin Maggs	Coach
	Ben Squire	Coach
	Lena Lowe	Team Manager
	Jane Marsters	Tour Mum
	Lucy D'Almeida	Tour Manager
UNDER 12 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Sio Ifopo	Coach
	Matt Moar	Coach
	James McGrath	Coach
	Jonathon Jackson	Manager
UNDER 12 NZ TOUR	Matt Moar	Coach
	James McGrath	Coach
	Sio Ifopo	Team Manager
	Darrin Ingleton	Tour Dad
	Lucy D'Almeida	Tour Manager



MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

2019 REPRESENTATIVE OFFICIALS

UNDER 13 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Peter Gibson Luke Donnan Dan McMillan Gerard O'Connor	Coach Coach Trainer Manager
UNDER 13 SEVENS (BOYS) STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Harry Berryman Peter Gibson	Coach Manager
UNDER 13 SEVENS (GIRLS) STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Damien Cummins Mania Marsters	Coach Manager
UNDER 14 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Tua Marsters Andrew Blewman Sarah Bedingfield	Coach Coach Manager
UNDER 15 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Damien Cummins Brandon Ward Sam Lane Tony High Julian Shelbourne	Coach Coach Coach Trainer Manager
UNDER 15 SEVENS (BOYS) STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Sio Ifopo Craig Lowe Tommy Marsters David Beat	Coach Assistant Coach Assistant Coach Manager
UNDER 15 SEVENS (GIRLS) STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Todd Osland Put Berryman Joe Fa'aumu Lara Bullman	Coach Coach Coach Manager
UNDER 16 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Saia Latu Alex Helu Mark Sargent	Coach Coach Manager
UNDER 17 SEVENS (BOYS) STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Alex Helu Steve Painter	Coach Manager
UNDER 17 SEVENS (GIRLS) STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Stevie Berryman Matt Burke Edith Nathan	Coach Assistant Coach Assistant Coach / Manager



MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

2019 REPRESENTATIVES – HIGHER HONOURS

Throughout the MJRU Representative Teams, several individuals were selected for higher representative honours:

BOYS	GIRLS	
Sydney u14 Representative Squad	Paul Vaokakala Thomas Klem	Kiahla Duff Paris Ingegneri Maddie Binding Lily Masters
SJRU u15 Metro Northern Zone	Ben Di Staso Noa Faatui Ollie Cummins Jack Colbran Sebastian Bush	NSW Sevens Opens - Ladies Toa Taufa Shabar Thomas Oli Wood Brearna Nathan
SJRU u15 Barbarians	Antonio Taufa Nic Van der Reyden Rory Morgan	NSW Sevens u15s - Ladies Ally Bullman Edie Burke Pani Hopoate Sophia Addington Ava Osland
SJRU u16 Metro Blue	Jay Sargent	
SJRU u16 Metro Red	Jonathon Taufa Alex Simmons Ned Hillier	Aussie Sea Hawkes (World School Sevens - Girls) Ally Bullman Kiahla Duff Paris Ingegneri Maddie Binding
SJRU u16 Sydney	Kai Wilson Jonathon Taufa Alex Simmons	
NSWJRU u16 Presidents XV	Kai Wilson	
NSW Sevens Opens Train On - Men	Oskar Enasio Tom Douglas	



MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

2019 MINIS REPORT

MJRU Mini's report 2019

Overall a very successful and fun mini's season across both the MJRU and WJRU clubs. Many thanks to all clubs for their support via the respective mini's co-ordinations to get the season underway with ground allocations, special requests and the draft draw. Thanks to Mick again for his tireless efforts getting the draw finalized, way before deadline and with all clubs in agreement. Keeping the draw 'in-house' allows us flexibility and control. We will look to replicate this again next year as agreed with WJRU at the season close briefing on 25th October. Note that SJRU are considering using Xplorer for mini's next year – perhaps only for u9's.

Again, this year SJRU organized an excellent mini's gala day over the June long weekend. With far earlier communication to clubs and parents (compared to last year), feedback from the events was excellent.

2019 added in some additional admin overhead in terms of players dispensation forms (for u7's players wishing to play up in u8's). Potentially for the 2020 season all players in mini's wishing to play up will required a level 2 coach assessment. We will hear more on this as the season approaches. Some additional areas we will work on for 2020 (with WJRU) are coaches and trainers Smart rugby qualifications (free and online) and a 'pathway pack' for the parents in u9's across the combined 11 village clubs as they prep for the changes that u10's brings, especially for coaches and trainers.

All the best for the off season.

Jonathan Jackson

VP Mini's MJRU





MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

VILLAGE CLUB 2019 PRESIDENT'S REPORTS



MANLY ROOS JUNIOR RUGBY UNION CLUB INCORPORATED

PRESIDENTS REPORT 2019

The Roos continued with another good and positive year of rugby in the Manly district in 2019. Many of our Juniors teams did well, our mini players all had fun and we are trying to establish a much closer bond and link with the general Manly community. Unfortunately, our Roos Life Members, Michael Hooper and Reece Hodge have made an early exit from the Rugby World Cup. I am sure that as the Roos is a great rugby nursery, we can continue to develop representative players of the future.

This is reflected by the large number of Roos players who made it into Manly Representative teams in U10s, U11s and U12s.

The Roos had 193 players registered in 2019 as opposed to 232 registered in 2018. This is a significant drop and particularly in the lower age groups, mainly U6s. As such, recruitment will be vital for 2020 which will be built on increasing our exposure in and links to the local Manly community, having a greater focus on the promotion of rugby and by introducing girls teams in both regular competitions and Sevens competitions. The aim is to try and increase player numbers by increased player participation in rugby.

We are also trying to have NSW Rugby Union assist us with having the Get Into Rugby Program carried out in the primary schools in our area.

Committee

As you could no doubt appreciate, every member of the Committee (greatly supported by their suffering husbands, wives or partners) put in a great deal of time, work and dedication to enable the Club to function and the kids to have coaches and training available, kit to wear, games and competitions to play in and fields to train on.



I would therefore like to thank, in no particular order, Alan Main as Treasurer, Andy Evans as Vice President Juniors, Kerri Corn as Secretary, Bippy Power as Registrar, Rob James as Vice President Minis and Sue Ainsworth in relation to sponsorship. All of you have done a commendable job and spent many hours not only at Keirle Park but in taking time out of your valuable private life and spare time assisting the Roos and all players.

I would like to make a particular thank you to Sue Ainsworth who has done a great job in recruiting new sponsors to ensure the financial viability of the club.

Also, a special mention and thank you to Hamish Matheson for all of his support with merchandise and also field marking during the year and to Aeron Dundas with all of her assistance coordinating and organising social events including presentation day and other functions at the Roo Bar.

Volunteers

Like all clubs, we rely on the support of our volunteer coaches, managers, age managers and administrators and there are too many to thank individually. However, a special mention to the age managers, Anna Manchee in U6s, Rob James and Giles Swindley in Under 7s, Neil Ager in Under 8s, Geoff Costello in U9s, Kerri Corn in U10s, Andy Evans in U11s, Brett Jeffrey in U12s.

Also a special recognition to Kerri Corn who was voted Roos volunteer of the year. A special thank you to all of the parents who volunteered to help out in the canteen and the bbq and also on field setup and pack down. Without your contribution, it would be difficult for the Club to operate.

Minis

In 2019, we had six teams participate in competitions across four age groups. Many thanks to all coaches and managers of the Minis teams and we look forward to many of these boys and parents will return for 2020.

Our U6 numbers were very disappointing and the club will make a significant focus in trying to attract players for next season.

Our U8s and U9s teams also combined their best players to compete in the King of the Hills and Harbord Harlequins Gala Days which was a step up in terms of competition and intensity.

Congratulations to both our teams in these events who represented the Roos extremely well both on and off the field.



But a particular thanks must go to our U8 Gala Day team who were magnificently coached by Justin Taudien and Pete Furlong. This age group only had one team. They were runners up in the King of the Hills Gala Day in controversial circumstances and were unlucky to be denied the cup.

They were also runners up at the Harbord Harlequins Gala Day. Finally, they were successful at the Chatswood Challenge taking out the event with a well deserved victory. Well done to the coaches and managers and all of the parents involved and your outstanding support and encouragement.

A particular thanks to Rob James for all of his work and effort in coordinating the Minis, the players and the parents throughout the season.

Juniors

In 2019, the Roos had one team in U10s, three in the U11s and two in the U12s, which is actually an increase on the year before.

It is difficult to retain player numbers as players enter high schools.

A special congratulations to our U12 Blue Team who finished as Minor Premiers.

However, owing to draconian regulations of SJRU, they were deducted significant competition points which prevented them from playing in the final series which I am sure not only would have been competitive in but they would have won. Congratulations on being minor premiers.

Also, congratulations to the U11 Blue Team who made it into the Plate Final unfortunately losing by way of a try after the siren.

Our U11 Red Team played in a Plate Semi Final and the U11 White Team made it to the Grand Final where they unfortunately weren't successful, but gave it their all.

Congratulations and special thanks to the coaches and managers involved with these teams. A particular thanks for Andy Evans as Vice President Juniors whose constant presence and efforts made my job far easier and greatly assisted the Club. In fact, a special thanks to all of the Evans family who go far beyond the call of duty in helping the Roos.



The Roo Bar and special events

This was the second season we had the Roo Bar operational and made a significant financial contribution to the club and we are looking forward to holding more events next year.

Sponsors

The Roos could not exist without the support of our sponsors. A special thanks to St George Bank who continued on with their sponsorship. We also welcomed our new sponsors on board, Harris Farm and Northern Beaches Land Rover.

I would like to commend the Committee, all volunteers, coaches, managers and other parents who volunteered to contribute to the Club throughout the year.

We are looking forward to a successful 2020 season, with added focus on increased participation, girl's rugby, parent participation, better communication with parents and players and more social events for our parents and players.

I hope you all enjoy the off season and the summer months and wearing thongs rather than rugby boots.

James Maxwell
President
Manly Roos Junior Rugby Club Incorporated



President's Report

2019 a great year on and off field!

Congratulations to the Girls U11 and U17 teams who won the Frosty 7s! Both sides also won the Sizzling 7s earlier in the season.

The U11 Black, U12 White and U14 Vikings sides all won their respective grand finals with all teams registering their best performances of the season on the ideal day for it!

Across all junior age groups (U10-16) Raiders and Vikings teams were well represented into semi-finals with at least one team per age group progressing. This is a remarkable achievement and huge thanks to our dedicated coaches, managers and parents who help wherever they can.

Our Mini's teams had fantastic seasons playing across the Northern Beaches, playing the inter-district round hosted by Wests and our U8 and U9 Gala Squads did us proud in their events. The final round at Keirle Park on Saturday demonstrated the improvement in skills across the season and the genuine joy and engagement in our teams.

The girls' rugby program keeps growing with the introduction of the Sydney North Girls Rugby competition this season attracting lots of interest and allowing us to field teams in U8/9 and U10/11. The Saturday morning at Terrey Hills competition became a fixture for many of our families and saw sisters and new players join the club! We hope for another great season in 2020.

The Sevens programs (Sizzling and Frosty) were also popular and for the Frosty 7s we fielded four teams in U11, U13, U15 and U17! The Sizzling program runs from February and Frosty from June with our girls playing Saturday afternoon/evenings across Sydney.

We also saw huge numbers of boys and girls selected into Manly District representative teams.

At the State Championships for U12-U16 we had plenty of boys selected, with a number of the older boys chosen into Zone sides and one Sydney representative. We also had fantastic numbers chosen in the U10 and U11 Development squads for their event in July.

Congratulations to Tom Klem chosen for the Sydney U14s team.

We were very well represented in the Manly 7s teams who competed last weekend at the NSW State Championships with wins in the U13 Boys and U17 Girls. A number of Raiders were chosen in the NSW squads from this tournament.



Off field, it's also been another amazing year. Our Friday clubhouse dinners have brought the community together. This year's luncheon had the highest attendance yet and with a remarkable line up of speakers who can be surprised!

The field has held up remarkably well all season with thanks to Northern Beaches Council. We had new lights installed for 2019 and this off-season the water tank and platform are being replaced with a new tank and new seating. We are expecting another great year on Bantry in 2020.

We had a significant turnover of Committee roles this season so my thanks to those from 2018 who continued and to those who took on new roles thank you! My role as President is made so much easier by the quality and dedication of the volunteers on our committee and more broadly in the club.

I hosted a Parent Forum focused on our U10-U12 age groups following a feedback survey. This was a great opportunity to hear from Sydney Junior Rugby Union (SJRU) and offer feedback on areas where the competition can be improved. I want to thank the parents who came along and passionately shared their views. Much of our feedback has been taken on board by SJRU with changes coming in 2020.

On a final note I'd like to thank our sponsors! Spartan Sports joined us this season as our new major sponsor (I'll be looking to see our boys playing cricket with Spartan gear this summer); our sleeve sponsors Four Brothers Espresso (don't forget to buy your coffee and food from their four Northern Beaches cafes) and Gobaralong Capital. LME Electrical and Cool Blue Pools were our shorts sponsors and please contact them for your electrical or pool needs. Lastly our community sponsors Vision Personal Training Balgowlah, Hugo's Manly and North Balgowlah Cellars also deserve our thanks and support.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to take on the Presidency in 2019 and I look forward to continuing to grow and improve our club. Our goal is to foster the game of rugby. I believe we have done a good job this year and there is always room for ongoing improvement, and I'll be seeking your help to keep the good work going. An area of focus into the offseason will be supporting our coaches and coaching program. More to follow on this one.

Regards,

Michael Clark
President - Raiders Rugby Club



Season 2019 was a successful one for the Harbord Harlequins, both on and off the field.

Player numbers in our core Under 6 to Under 12 age group were up 3% on 2018, with 192 registered players for the season. Under 6 registrations were particularly encouraging, with the club having the most Under 6 players of any club on the Northern Beaches, including our first ever girls' team (the mighty U6 Golds). This bodes well for the club's future, and is a testament to the strong relationship we have formed with local primary schools and the 'Try Rugby' programmes run by Mike Cross and Trytime Rugby during school hours over four consecutive weeks at the start of the school year. We will continue to invest in these programmes as a way to grow both our club and the game generally over coming years.

The Harlequins had a successful year on the field, with all Minis teams unbeaten during the regular season (again!), and three of our five Junior teams making Sydney Junior Rugby Union (**SJRU**) semi-finals: 10 Gold (10A), 11 Blue (11E) and 12 Gold (12E). 10 Gold and 12 Gold both made the finals in their respective grades, with 10 Gold eventually winning the A-Grade competition – a fantastic effort from all concerned in what is always an extremely competitive grade. The Harbord Jesters also won the Under 9 age group of the 13th annual Harlequins Cup Gala Day, a wonderful event that continues to go from strength to strength and this year welcomed more than 600 Under 8 and Under 9 players across 40 teams from more than 20 clubs. Thank you to everyone involved in making this event such a success yet again.

A special mention must go to the Under 12 age group in 2019, who overcame a number of player departures to put together a solid season on the field and an even better season off the field. These boys (and their parents) embodied everything that is great about the game of rugby, and the improvement in their collective playing skills across the season was fantastic to see. Some wonderful team and club spirit, and thanks must go to the management team and coaching staff for their hard work. We look forward to hopefully seeing the boys put a Harlequins Under 13 team out on the paddock next year for the first time since 2015.



Unfortunately it seems that the end is nigh for the Vikings, an informal joint venture between a number of Manly Village clubs that has been in place since 2014 to ensure that local kids can continue to play in the Under 13 and older age groups, when playing numbers at individual clubs traditionally fall away. Thankfully, discussions are underway between the local Village clubs, the Manly Junior Rugby Union and the SJRU regarding the formation of a new local club concept to cater for these older age groups and ensure that there is a pathway in place between junior and senior rugby in the local area. We look forward to bringing you further news on this as we progress this concept next season.

It was fantastic to see the social side of the Harlequins move ahead in leaps and bounds during the 2019 season. BYO drinks at Minis training on Friday nights were supplemented by the inaugural Harlequins annual lunch at Teddy Larkin's Seafood & Steakhouse, the Bledisloe Cup night at the Harbord Beach Hotel and the Minis Movie night at the Harbord Diggers - which doubled as Minis Parents' Drinks night! The turnout for these events was strong, and we look forward to continuing this success in 2020.

The Harlequins 'clubhouse' was never that great to begin with and there are certain constraints to what we can do with the amenity block – but an arson attack mid-season certainly didn't help in our quest to improve the Denzil Joyce facilities! Thankfully we were insured and have now received the insurance payment to replace the equipment that we lost in the fire. Council are working to restore

the amenity block to its former glory, and have also agreed to take responsibility for the \$50,000 grant we received from the NSW Government for a further improvement of these facilities. \$50,000 does not go far, but an extended hardstand and undercover area at the front of the block is a good start, and we hope to have this completed early in the 2020 season. We are also actively looking for further grants with which to fund further improvements, so watch this space. Thank you to the Allambie, Manly and Seaforth clubs for helping us with gear and equipment for our home games prior to receipt of funds from our insurer. Your assistance was much appreciated.

All in all, I would like to think that we earned a solid pass mark for the Harbord Harlequins in 2019, with room for improvement in a couple of areas. Everything is looking good for the 2020 season, the highlight of which will be the Tonga Tour for a group of Under 11 and Under 12 players in April. This will be a fantastic opportunity for these boys, and we hope to run this tour every two years so that all Harlequins players eventually get a chance to be part of a once in a lifetime experience in a culture that will be very different from what most of them are used to at home in Sydney.

Finally, a massive thank you to everyone that has helped to make the Harbord Harlequins a success this season – players, parents, coaches, managers, sponsors, committee members and the team from Trytime Rugby. In particular I would like to say a massive thank you to the coaches who give up so much of their time to ensure our kids can play this wonderful game, and our sponsors who provide us with the funds to keep the lights on – literally!

See you in 2020, and feel free to bring a couple of mates...

Hadyn Stephens
President
Harbord Harlequins Rugby Club



ALLAMBIE RUGBY CLUB

2019 Allambie Rugby Club Presidents Report:

Firstly, it is a great honour to write my first report as president of the Allambie Rugby Club following on from Colin Matthews and Wayne Reeve. I was under no illusion that the position would provide its fair share of challenges and it certainly did but thankfully I had strong support from everyone in the club.

I have thoroughly enjoyed the year meeting new families and sharing in the highs and lows of the rugby season. I hope you all return in 2020 as we are aiming to add an U13's team from this year 12's, increase our Girl's and Boy's mini's numbers and hope to field a girl 7's team in the juniors to become future mermaids.

Your support to encourage other families to join our club would be appreciated.

Season 2019 was a very successful year for the Jets both on and off the field. I am very excited about the future of the club and hope, with all your support, we continue to have stronger years ahead.

We had several new faces on the committee and together with those who have served for many years it has been an absolute pleasure working with you. I would also like to thank the parents / carers and volunteers for your continued support, promoting the club and its values, helping when you can and getting your kids to training and games. It is truly appreciated and demonstrates what our club is about.

I reflect back to 2012 when a very enthusiastic and passionate group, consisting of Wayne Reeve, Paul O'Sullivan, David Cochrane, Richard Smith and Simon Deakin decided to bring back the Jets after folding in 1992. From that time the club grown from strength to strength and we are grateful this group had the passion to bring rugby back to the Allambie community and be part of the Manly Junior Rugby Union.

In recognition, these gentlemen were gifted with Life Memberships of the Allambie Rugby Club on presentation day.

On the field it was a ripper of a year. The minis were awesome and whilst a didn't get a chance to see much of the 6's or 7's it's so good seeing these young champions running around in the green and white. The 8's had a transition year moving into some contact which I believe brought some extra fun on game day. And the U9's, what a team that have truly developed over the season and they are certainly ready to enter the Junior Rugby competition next year.

In the juniors, it was the first time the club has field two U10's teams, held our U11's and carried over to have an U12's. All three groups made it through to their respective grand finals which was a result of teamwork, commitment and having fun. Please take the time to read the individual team reports.



Our coaches and managers, their commitment and dedication are commendable. The mutual respect with the players is exceptional and we are so grateful that as a club we have people like them. We look to build on this for the years to come, a big thank you to all.

Off the field was as good, our season launch was well attended, the annual social event was an amazing success thanks to the organising committee and families, we celebrated all thing Mum on Mother's Day, welcomed visiting teams with open arms and contributed to other clubs' events and game days accordingly. Again, thank you to all for your contributions.

I'd also like to express my sincere thanks to our sponsors whose generosity enables us to continue to grow and provide the required equipment and resources for our players. We do not underestimate your value at any point and please accept my thanks on behalf of the club.

Allambie Heights Shopping Centre, Cunninghams, Allambie Vet, Allambie Sports Physiotherapist, Wakehurst Golf Club, Think Brain, FEC Excavation & Concreting, The Mercantile Hotel – The Rocks, Mayday Recruitment, Virgin Active, Bakers Delight, Divine Marketing, Designer Gifts, B. A. Gilbert & Co Financial Planning, AKA The Plumbers, TryTime Rugby

Through the season I received many complimentary comments about our teams and our club in general. We continue to be the benchmark club for the way we host the games with our field set-up and general organisation - it gets us a lot of positive press amongst the other clubs.

And finally, this year saw the introduction of the Allambie Jets Community Spirit Award name after our very own Brooke Jorey. This award is all about the contributions made inside and outside the club and I am sure you will all agree that Brooke works tirelessly in our community. Brooke was also the inaugural recipient of this award and reflects our appreciation and thanks. A special thank you to Brooke's husband Dave who also contributed through his support of Brooke and capturing some wonderful memories our kids. Thank you, Dave.

Once again, it's been an absolute honour to be President of the Jets through 2019 and I'm convinced that with the families, coaches and resources and most importantly the committee and volunteers we have, we will continue to go from strength to strength over the coming years.

Go the Jets!

Richard Dickson



Forest Juniors 2019



2019 was once again a fantastic and successful year for our mini's and juniors. We had 329 registered players (365 in 2018, 348 in 2017, 351 in 2016) registered from U6 to Opens and 3 girl's teams in the U13's and under 15's sevens comp.

Forest once again ran a successful Try Rugby programme over 4 weeks with over 75 registered players, (75 in 2018, 48 in 2017, 68 in 2016). The programme was run by the club and Forest Rugby club is still the only club in Australia running Try Rugby since inception.

The mini's fielded a team in every age group this year and competed in several gala days during the year. The juniors also fielded at least one team in every age group again this year. We fielded 3 Forest girls teams this year with 45 registered players (43 in 2018, 48 in 2017, 25 in 2016) and they competed in a Sydney wide sevens comp. From all accounts, the girls had a fantastic time and really enjoyed themselves. The under 15's Girls were successful in Winning their division in the Winter competition.

We fielded 12 teams (13 teams in 2018, 12 teams in 2017, 11 teams in 2016) from under 10's to Opens (except 15's). Not only did we have great numbers, we also competed very well in the all the respective age group divisions. We had 9 of our teams compete in semi-finals this year. Our under U11 Green and Under 11 Whites were successful in winning their Cup Grand Finals. A big congratulations to all the coaching staff, players and parents. Our Opens team once again made the Grand Final, their third Grand Final in a row for this age group. They were up against a dominant team from Newport. Our Under 10's Green were also unsuccessful against the Western Raptors team. They played well, were just out muscled. Big congratulations to all the players, coaches, managers and volunteers this year on their efforts with their respective teams for Forest Rugby club.



MJRU Representative Rugby

We had another successful year for our boys representing Manly Junior Rugby Union with 36 players selected at this year's State Cup in their respective age groups. Whilst the club doesn't focus on representative rugby, it was good that these players were acknowledged for their efforts and fine rugby skills that they have.

Sydney Junior Rugby Union

We also had Kai Wilson and Paul Vaokakala selected to play for the Sydney Junior Rugby Union against NSW Country at Tamworth this year. Well done guys. Both were selected in the NSW Generation Blue teams that participated at this year's U16's and 15's National tournament.

Presentation Day

We had a windy spring day for our club Presentation day. The minis went first, and they all had a great day collecting their trophies, well done. Our Mini's Player of the Year went to Ryan Corcoran from the under 9's. We also had a fantastic turn out from our juniors, with the majority of players attending. The Juniors player of the year was Liam Wiseman from the Opens. The Junior President award this year went to a player that was a good team player and supported the senior club as the regular ball boy. Congratulations to Josh Cooper from the under 13's. Congratulations to all the players that received awards this year.

Junior Parents and Committee

I would like to thank all the parents that helped out with Canteen, BBQ and Field set up/pack up this year. The Junior Forest coaches, managers, age co-ordinators, AR, trainers, first aid officers and anyone else that help out in a team this year. Without volunteers this club wouldn't be successful as it is or couldn't run as smooth as it does.

I would like to personally thank the Junior Committee for all their hard work this year; David Dickerson, Paul Davidson, Ali Duncan, David McAndrew, Janine Roland, Scott Saunders, Simon Newson, Mel Dwyer and Tom Heaton.

Go Forest in 2020.

Jason Woolford

Forest Junior Vice President



MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

LIFE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION – GARY PATON

Life Membership of Manly Junior Rugby Union has only been bestowed upon a select few.

The Constitution notes that Life Membership “*may be conferred to any person whose services have been of outstanding value to Manly Junior Rugby Union*”.

Gary Paton is one such individual whose contributions to Manly Junior Rugby Union unquestionably fall into this category.

Gary has contributed his heart, soul and countless hours over close to 20 years to both Seaforth Balgowlah Raiders and to Manly Junior Rugby Union.

In addition to this, Gary has also held numerous positions with both Sydney Junior Rugby Union and NSW Junior Rugby Union, most recently as Representative Manager responsible for preparation of the draws across all the age groups.

Gary has held the below positions for the MJRU and Seaforth Raiders:

- Seaforth Balgowlah Raiders - Coach 2002- 2012
- Seaforth Balgowlah Raider - Minis Coordinator 2003 - 2006
- Seaforth Balgowlah Raiders - President 2006 - 2010
- Seaforth Balgowlah Raiders - Life member 2010
- Seaforth Balgowlah Raiders - Committee 2003 - 2012
- Manly Junior Rugby Union - Minis Coordinator 2004 - 2005
- Manly Junior Rugby Union - VP Representative Rugby 2008 - 2019
- Manly Junior Rugby Union - Committee 2004 - 2019
- Sydney Junior Rugby Union - VP Development 2012 - 2013
- NSW Junior Rugby Union - Committee Member 2014 - 2019
- NSW Junior Rugby Union - Representative Manager 2019

It is with great pleasure that the MJRU Committee nominates Gary Paton for Life Membership of the MJRU, such nomination put forward to a ballot at the 2019 Annual General Meeting.

On behalf of the MJRU Committee, I thank Gary for his incredible service to the MJRU over close to two decades and propose Gary Paton for Life Membership of the MJRU.

Peter Gibson

President MJRU





MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

ANNEXURE – 2019 FINANCIAL YEAR BALANCE SHEET AND PROFIT & LOSS

Manly Junior Rugby Union Incorporated		
Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2019		
Assets	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Bank		
Business Account	7,795	7,436
Debit Card	377	2,627
Savings Account	7,918	25,183
Touring Account - S40	3,632	29,419
Total Bank	19,723	64,666
Current Assets		
Accounts Receivable	10,582	0
Stock Holding Deposit - Paladin	10,000	10,000
Total Assets	40,305	74,666
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Provision for NZ Tour Expense	-	29,419
Fiji Tour Refunds	-	2,150
Total Current Liabilities	-	31,569
Total Liabilities	0	31,569
Net Assets	40,305	43,097
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	(2,792)	(488)
Retained Earnings b/fwd	43,097	43,585
Net Assets	40,305	43,097



MANLY JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

ANNEXURE – 2019 FINANCIAL YEAR BALANCE SHEET AND PROFIT & LOSS

Manly Junior Rugby Union Incorporated		
Income and Expenditure Statement		
1 October 2018 to 30 September 2019		
	2019	2018
Income	\$	\$
Advertising Levy - Village Clubs	-	2,541
Interest Income	345	388
MJRU Summer 7s Income	16,905	5,125
Bower Finance Sponsorship	4,000	3,000
Club Totem Sponsorship	2,500	2,500
PRIME Sponsorship	-	8,500
Wahu Sponsorship	4,125	-
NZ Tour Income	88,346	37,595
MJRUF Trust Distribution	2,000	5,000
Sundry Revenue	500	375
Total Income	118,722	65,024
Expenses		
Advertising	-	3,960
Bank Fees	26	49
Entertainment	-	550
General Expenses	183	672
Meeting Expenses	1,655	1,929
MJRU Summer 7s Expenses	11,231	2,674
7s Expenses	-	800
NZ Tour Expenses	101,412	37,555
Participation Fees	-	1,100
Representative Team Expenses	(1,297)	2,103
TryRugby Expense	-	1,000
Subscriptions	-	145
Website & IT Expenses	-	412
Jerseys, Kit & Gear	8,303	4,992
Stock Write-off	-	7,571
Total Expenses	121,513	65,512
Operating Profit / (Loss)	(2,792)	(488)