

# DRUMMOYNE DISTRICT RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT 2008

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## MANAGEMENT & STAFF - (SENIOR CLUB) 2008

Management	Patron John Mulford	Honorary President	Honorary Secretary	Honorary Treasurer
	John Manora	Colin Fleming	Scott Carrodus	Geoff Granger
	Club Captain	Honorary	Honorary Solicitor	
	Nathan Landrey	<b>Registrar</b> Gavan Hassett	Frank Mecuri	
General Committee	Sandy Bannatyne (Ground Organiser)	Gavan Hassett	Mark Liversidge	Nathan Landrey
	Adam Dillon	Fred Andrews	Owen Parry	Colin Baggott
	Dave Mew			
Coaching Staff	Club Coach Fred Andrews	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Grade</b> David Warne Nathan Wicks Peter Gavrilis	<b>2nd Grade</b> Bill McIntyre Darren Shields	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade</b> Pat Walker
	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> Brett Donoghue	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> Brett Donoghue	Colts Darren Lawrence	
Team	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	2nd Grade	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Managers	Frank "JJ" Tait	Tony Rey	Geoff Granger	Sam Moussa
	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> Sam Moussa	Colts Craig Douglas		

<sup>\*</sup> See Presidents Report for acknowledgements of home ground & associated volunteers

## **DDRFC - LIFE MEMBERS**

## **H (Harry) GROSE** \* (#1933)

Captain Balmain DRFC 1911-13, Fullback and centre. Secretary Balmain DRFC 1914-1919. Instrumental, with Dr H Moran in merging the Glebe and Balmain Clubs in 1919. Appointed Life Member of NSWRU in 1940. President DDRFC 1940-1951. Patron 1953-1975.

## **E (Ted) MULLETT** \* (1933)

Captain Balmain DRFC 1903-1908. Loose forward. First Rugby player in Australia to play 100 first grade games. President Drummoyne Juniors 1933-1950. Appointed Life Member of the NSWRU 1940. Patron DDRFC 1938-1951

## **SJ (Syd) GROSE** \* (1938)

The earliest photo we have of Syd is in a match played by a Drummoyne touring team against Duntroon Military College in Canberra, dated 1922. The last is one taken with Syd, in full Vintage Reds gear, kicking off in the 1983 Golden Oldies aged 83. All those intervening years he was a committed Red. First grade player, first grade referee, selector, coach, NSWRU delegate. You name it, Syd did it.

## **CE MORGAN** \* (1939)

First grade player mid 1920's. Went on to become an International referee. 4 Tests from 1932-1934. President of DDRFC 1929 - 1937. An outstanding administrator. Was Town Clerk of Drummoyne City Council for forty years.

## **Dr RL (Pup) RAYMOND (OBE) \*** (1957)

Product of Fivedock Juniors, became an outstanding Waratah and Wallaby winger playing 13 Tests 1920 to 1923, scoring 10 tries. Rhodes scholar to Oxford 1924. Chosen to play for England, 3 Tests. Came back to play 55 first grade matches for the Club. Club Coach 1948-1951. Club President in 1952. Patron 1953-1963.

## **AJ (Arnold) TANCRED \*** (1957)

Strong back rower in the Club's Premiership team of 1925, became a Waratah and Wallaby in 1927-1928. Highly respected in the administration of the NSWRU. Was the Manager of the very successful 1947- 1948 Wallabies to the UK, France and USA.

Largely responsible for the formation of the Licensed Club. Life Member of the NSWRU in 1950

## **E (Ted) CORAM** (1957)

The loss of an eye curtailed Ted's playing career, which began in several outstanding DDRFC junior premiership teams of the Thirties. Became the Hon Secretary during WW11, a difficult time when players, officials and referees were in short supply. For 10 years he was the Club delegate to the NSWRU, member of the important Schools' Committee of the NSWRU. Referee, and for many years the Club's touch judge. His other posts were Social Secretary and Selector. Maintains a strong interest in the Club and in the players, particularly the Drummoyne Juniors.

## **Dr L (Les) HIATT** \* (1961)

The Club's long serving medical officer 1946-1959. Many of his stitches are still in place.

#### **SG (Sep) LANGDON** \* (1972)

Began his long career with the Club as the first grade team manager, and then became our outstanding Secretary 1950 – 58. He was a highly popular Club President from 1963-67, always there with calm counsel and a personal interest in the well being of all players in every team. See later notes on the great partnership he formed with his wife Betty, now also a Life Member.

## **W G (Graham) FIRTH \*** (1978)

Became involved with the Club for the very best of reasons .... his sons Bernard and David and son-in-law David Dyer were all keen players. A superb organizer, he was a splendid Club Secretary from 1961-1970 and then President 1971-2. He was a well respected member of the Committee of the Sydney Rugby Union.

## **VA ("Bunky") AULAND \*** (1978)

One of Drummoyne's great players, member of the 1936 First Grade Premiership team of 1936, a rugged, uncompromising tight head breakaway, he was to chosen to play for NSW against the All Blacks and from all accounts, gave them plenty. Club President 1968-1970, then again 1973-1975. He was our Patron 1976 – 1994. His great loves were running the weekly raffle and organizing the car park.

## **A (Alan) CRAWFORD D.F.C.\*** (1986)

A player in the strong 1930's era, Alan was on outstanding RAAF bomber pilot during WW11, completing 55 bombing missions over Germany, mentioned in despatches 3 times for getting his burning plane home and being awarded the DFC. Returned home in 1945 to work hard for his old club over many years in many capacities as selector, Coach and Secretary in 1971, 1983 and 1984. Every Monday night for the seasons 1947-1985 he attended as our delegate the meetings of the NSWRU Grades Committee.

## **JG (John) MULFORD** (1989)

Captain of the Red's State junior undefeated Premiership teams of 1947-1978 and the Combined State U21 team, played in the First Grade team 1949-52 and then became a first grade referee. President of the Club 1982-87. Elected President of the Sydney Rugby Union in 1989 and Chairman and Senior Vice President of the NSWRU in 1990. Club Patron 2001 to present.

## **D (David) DYER** \* (1992)

A fine player for Drummoyne Juniors and then in the senior grades, David extended his playing career after retirement in the Fifties by being available at call whenever a player went missing, no matter which team. He would then back up by running the line for first grade. What a clubman! With his financial expertise and wise counsel, he was an outstanding Club Treasurer from 1982 to 1991. Together with his wife Robin, now a Vice President of the Club, he kept the Club afloat through tough times.

## **M (Max) MILES** \* (1994)

Fine first grade centre, Captain / Coach and lock forward in the Fifties, he was the backbone of the Club's on field efforts and was very unlucky not to have been selected for higher honours. He was the Club's Honorary Solicitor for many years and gave distinguished service in that role also to the NSWRU and the Australian Rugby Union. A true Rugby man.

### AT (Arthur) TIERNEY \* (1996)

Our first grade hooker and front rower of the early forties, Arthur became one of Australia's most respected and loved characters. He refereed 140 first grade games and topped his career with the whistle by being appointed to referee the Test between Australia and the British Lions in 1959. Following his retirement, he became the Club's long serving timekeeper. He overcame a speech impediment with some classical one-liners which are still quoted by Wallabies and Reds around Australia.

## **R (Bob) DAY** (2002)

Long-time mate of Arthur Tierney, uncompromising eighty-minute player from the forties and Assistant Commissioner of NSW Police, Bob dedicated many years to his old Club as Secretary, from 1989 to 1996, as a selector and delegate. He fought hard for the Club's return to First Division. A great swimmer in the World's Master Games, Bob encouraged the game of Rugby within the Police Force and tours both outbound and inbound around the world.

## **E (Betty) LANGDON** \* (2002)

Who could ever forget those 26 years Betty and her ladies ran just the best Rugby Kiosk in Sydney, initially with quite primitive facilities. Betty's cups of tea revived many a flagging player, as did her spirited words of encouragement. A great collaborator with husband Sep, as Secretary and then President, their home was the heart of Drummoyne Rugby for nearly 3 decades.

## R (Roy) STEPHENSON \* (2002)

A great Club stalwart, whose 3 sons, Barry, David and Michael have themselves given great service to the Club; he spent his young days growing up in Cometrowe Street, adjacent to the Oval. Always a strong debater on issues vital to the Club. Perhaps Roy's most notable contribution was the organizing of that superb Testimonial for the Club's great Australian Captain, Greg Davis, whose death at a relatively young age left a young family in need of support. Roy mobilized the support of the whole Australian Rugby

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community and raised a large sum for a Foundation which provided for Greg's young family and educated the children.

## **F (Fred) ANDREWS** (2004)

Fred's playing days concluded in 1980. In 1982 he became involved in the Management Committee when John Mulford became President. In 1983 he took over Colts, coaching in what became known as the 'Golden Age' of Drummoyne Colts. Fred moved up to the senior grades in 1987 and took over 1<sup>st</sup> Grade in 1989. His team won ten of their last 11 matches including a memorable victory over Minor Premiers, Norths. Fred then formed a close coaching alliance with former First Grade and Club Captain Peter McSullea, which took the club into the nineties and eventually back into First Division.

In more recent years, Fred has been the cornerstone of the re-birth of the club in the NSWSRU as both as a Grade Coach and Club Coach.

## Millar, Hunter (2008)

Came to the Club in 1954 and played in the Premiership winning reserve grade team that year & retired in 1962 after a broken leg. Coached 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade in 1964-65, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade from 1966 to 1971 & again from 1974 to 1976. Assistant Manager for the tour to New Zealand in 1970 & UK tour in 1974/75. Member of the Management Committee for many years.

#### Johnstone, Brian (2008)

Joined the Senior Club at the end of the 1952 Junior Club season, playing in the backs as a half, fly half or full back until 1966. His 239 games for the Club included 73 in First Grade. He became the Club's delegate to the Sydney and NSW Rugby Unions and served on the Executive Committees of those Unions and of the Australian Rugby Union during the period to 1985. Was elected Club President in 1987 and 1988 and continues strong support in all the Club's deliberations.

## Facey, Charles (2008)

Joined the Club in 1957 playing at outside centre or wing. Of his 135 Club games, 114 were in First Grade. He scored many tries and defended strongly. Following retirement in 1966 he served variously as a selector, coach of the Juniors and Management Committee member. Continues loyal support.

### **Pride, Ray** (2008)

Came to Drummoyne from Drummoyne Boys High School in 1964. Played close to 100 first grade games & 200 Club games for the Club. Represented Sydney & NSW. Returned to Coach Colts for 2 years with Derek Yeung. Club Treasurer from 1973 – 1980. Son Matt also plays for the Club.

## McKenna, John (2008)

Joined the Club in 1957 as a versatile flanker or fly half. All his 18 First Grade appearances out of a total 123 Club games were as flanker. After retiring in 1966, he coached to Reserve Grade level, taking the 1966 team to a grand final. Served for many years on the Management Committee where his legal knowledge and experience, particularly with regard to constitutional matters, have been very useful over the years.

## Wines, Ken (2008)

Ken (and wife Betty) has been an extremely hardworking and dedicated member of DDRFC. Played with the Club in the 1940's & Captained the Club's 1947 Kentwell Cup Sub Districts winning team. When he retired, he went on to became a 1st grade referee. Club Secretary from 1985 to 1987. Among other jobs were statistician, scoreboard manager and various game day ground duties.

## **HONANARY VICE PRESIDENTS**

## Chapman, Ian

A stocky and aggressive breakaway who joined the Club in 1967. Made his First Grade debut in 1969 and was unfortunate in not quite achieving the century in First Grade games. Retired in 1977 having played 90 games in the Firsts and 205 games in all. After strong service to the Club in a number of roles was elected President in 1994 and 1995. Continues to support all programmes.

## Dyer, Mrs Robin

Widow of DDFRC Life Member, David Dyer (who spent years as a player, referee, and ultimately Treasurer of the Club) Robin worked in the kiosk for over 20 years - when it operated in the open (ie, under beach umbrellas if it rained!)...out of a tent, and then in the comfort of the purpose-built kiosk after its construction

### Firth, David

Introduced to Drummoyne Rugby by brother-in-law David Dyer. Initially involved as a ball boy and junior linesman. Played 2 seasons with Drummoyne Juniors in under 19's and under21's mainly as a loose forward. Was then club linesman until referees were appointed to grade games. Also served as gear steward for a number of years. Awarded Clubman of the Year in 1977."

## Freedman, John (OEM)

A distinguished player for Drummoyne, NSW and Australia (4 Tests) in the late fifties/sixties who became the President of the NSWRU in 1984. He led the First Grade side to the Minor Shute Shield Premiership in 1964. Has continued his strong involvement in all the Club's affairs and is an invaluable source of wise counsel.

## Gavrilis, Peter (2008)

Came to Drummoyne in 1998, through his association with the (ultimate) 1997 4th grade Premiership team...which was made up of predominately ex Killara-West Pymble Sub Districts Club players (Peter was a past President of KWPRC) Coached Drummoyne through the grades, starting at 4th grade in 1998 and finishing with a 1st grade premiership with David Warne and Nathan Wicks in 2008. A highlight was the 3rd grade Premiership in 2001, which still stands as the only 3rd grade title. A generous sponsor, and employer of players for the Club via his manufacturing business. In his tenure he was influential with player recruitment / retention activities.

## Newall, David (2007)

Joined the club in 1980 achieving immediate success winning the  $4^{th}$  grade premiership as a speedy, hard tackling centre. Continued on to play over 160 games with the club including over 60  $1^{st}$  grade and was also Club Captain . He captained the 1987, 1989 and 1990  $2^{nd}$  grade premiership teams. He then went on coach lower grade teams through the nineties and ultimately coached  $1^{st}$  grade in 2001, 2006 and 2007 winning back to back Kentwell Cups in 2006/7. Has also contributed enormously by mentoring the DD Juniors, where he has 3 sons playing for the Club.

#### Nield, Dr James

President of the Club in the years 1976. 1977 and 1978, Jim had been a splendid second rower for the Club in the forties and early fifties when his lineout skills and jumping impressed the Metropolitan selectors for the City v Country games. As President, he admirably filled the dual role as Club Doctor and continues nowadays to be very supportive of all our initiatives.

## Porter, Geoff (2005)

Came to the Club at the end of his career & won a 4<sup>th</sup> Premiership (1997) when the Club had just re-entered competition in Subbies in the mid 90's. Came on board as Secretary, when the management team was rebuilding in the early 2000's (along with a new President and Treasurer) Heavily involved in the Club's website development. Has kept involved with running fitness training for the Club on occasion.

## Potts, Harold

Came to Drummoyne from the Petersham Club in 1967. Attained First Grade selection as a rugged hooker/forward in 1969. Retired in 1977, having played 174 Club games, 114 in First Grade. During the period 1973 to 1980 he served as a selector and active member of the Management Committee and continues his strong support of the Club to this day

## Rawlings, Daniel (2005)

Arrived at the club in mid 1980 and played in the successful 1980 4<sup>th</sup> grade premiership side. He went on to play over 100 grade games with the club as a halfback, including over 50 in first grade. Also captained the first grade side during the eighties as well being Club Captain and was Clubman of the year. He also served on the committee and coached and managed teams during the nineties. Became President of the Club upon the resumption of competition in Subbies in 1996, and oversaw a rapid promotion through the divisions to ultimately a winning Kentwell Cup (2000).

## Scott, John

200+ game player for the Club. Inaugural Women's Coach in 1995 & heavily involved with Women's Rugby in Sydney. (Coach of the 1998 Women's Rugby Premiers) For many years worked in a number of capacities...Coach, Manager, Canteen, Rugby Committee, Licensed Club Committee, Lic Club Bar etc

## Sweeting, John (2008)

Since his first association with the club, when he toured the UK and France in 1974-75 as a supporter, John has been heavily involved in the organisation and management of DDRFC. In fact little would know that in 1977, at aged 29, he was awarded most improved 4<sup>th</sup> grader!

Some contributions are: In 1980, he managed the  $4^{th}$  grade to a premiership, and the following year helped organise and establish the under 16 juniors. John was also involved with coaching Colts in the early to mid eighties, and for 10 years, was a member of the Football Club Management Committee. Currently he assists the coaching staff in  $1^{st}$  grade picking Best and Fairest each week.

## Tod, Ian

A tireless, highly durable forward of the forties and fifties who played over 200 games for the Club. He was outstanding as a clubman for the number of matches in which he'doubled up' when a replacement was needed or a side was short. This enthusiasm for and support of the Club continues in all our gatherings.

#### Todd, Dr David (2006)

200+ game player from the 80's. Instrumental in organising numerous overseas tours and trips. From the early 2000's has been in charge of organising the Annual "Vintage Reds" games and has assisted as a trainer with 1st grade for a no of seasons. In addition has acted as the Club Doctor for numerous years

## Tsirekas, Angelo (2006)

Current Mayor of Canada Bay Council (Combined Drummoyne / Concord Councils)

## Warne, David (2007)

Came to the Club when on his travels from the UK in 1980 (same English Club as David Todd) and never really left, except for a stint in grade Rugby in Brisbane. Initially playing on the wing before he moved to the front row, and played over 100 grade games during the eighties. Apart from his Premiership wins as Coach with Fred Andrews in the 90's, has had tremendous success winning 4 x Kentwell Cups as coach in the 2000's (2000, 2004, 2006, 2007) Also known for producing his succulent "Warney Burgers" and "Weber Roasts" on select game days at Drummoyne.

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## Williams, Ken

Joined the Club in 1955. Played the record number of games for Drummoyne. In 1982 he played his 500<sup>th</sup> game & when finished totalled over 700. Also coached junior sides. President of the Club in 1993.

### Wilson, Max

During the sixties when the licensed Club was being established, he represented the Rugby Football Club strongly in the establishment of that body and now as a well respected member of the senior Drummoyne community is well remembered as a great supporter of all things' Drummoyne'

## **OBITUARIES**

In 2008, the Club lost:

- Graham Firth (Life Member)
- Betty Langdon (Life Member)
- Roy Stephenson (Life Member)
- Vince O Gorman (Vice President) ...last of our Shute Shield 1936 1st Grade Premiership team

All Life Member & vice President profiles can be found on the Club's website... under "Honourboard"

## PAST OFFICE BEARERS

	PATRON	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CLUB CAPTAIN
2008	JG Mulford	C Fleming	S Carrodus	G Granger	N Landrey
2007	JG Mulford	C Fleming	S Carrodus	G Granger	N Landrey
2006	JG Mulford	C Fleming	S Carrodus	G Granger	D Cook
2005	JG Mulford	C Fleming	G Porter	G Granger	C Baggott
2004	JG Mulford	C Fleming	G Porter	G Granger	C Baggott
2003	JG Mulford	C Fleming	G Porter	G Granger	C Baggott
2002	JG Mulford	C Fleming	G Porter	G Granger	B Pennigton
2001	JG Mulford	C Fleming	G Porter	G Granger	M OBrien
2000	DL Dyer	D Rawlings	K Stevenson	D Rawlings	C Lau
1999	A Tierney	D Rawlings	K Stevenson	S Nalty	TBU
1998	_	D Rawlings	K Stevenson	S Nalty	TBU
1997	<del>-</del>	D Rawlings	K Stevenson	S Nalty	TBU
1996	<del>-</del>	D Rawlings	K Stevenson	S Nalty	TBU
1995	<del>-</del>	I Chapman	K Stevenson	L Brown	TBU
1994	VAD Auland	I Chapman	ER Day	L Brown	TBU
1993	VAD Auland	K Williams	ER Day	D Hamill	TBU
1992	VAD Auland	M Hahn	ER Day	K Casey	TBU
1991	VAD Auland	I Gordon	ER Day	DL Dyer	TBU
1990	VAD Auland	I Gordon	ER Day	DL Dyer	TBU
1989	VAD Auland	I Gordon	ER Day	DL Dyer	TBU
1988	VAD Auland	B Johnstone	J Wirth	DL Dyer	TBU
1987	VAD Auland	B Johnstone	K Wines	DL Dyer	TBU
1986	VAD Auland	JG Mulford	K Wines	DL Dyer	TBU
1985	VAD Auland	JG Mulford	K Wines	DL Dyer	TBU
1984	VAD Auland	JG Mulford	G Darnell	DL Dyer	TBU
1983	VAD Auland	JG Mulford	A H Crawford	DL Dyer	TBU
1982	VAD Auland	JG Mulford	A H Crawford	DL Dyer	TBU
1981	VAD Auland	EC Paton	CA Thomlinson	DL Dyer	TBU
1980	VAD Auland	EC Paton	KF Jackman	RN Pride	TBU
1979	VAD Auland	EC Paton	KF Jackman	RN Pride	TBU
1978	VAD Auland	J Nield	EC Paton	RN Pride	TBU
1977	VAD Auland	J Nield	EC Paton	RN Pride	TBU
1976	VAD Auland	J Nield	EC Paton	RN Pride	TBU
1975	H Grose	VAD Auland	EC Paton	RN Pride	TBU
1974	H Grose	VAD Auland	WG Firth	RN Pride	TBU
1973	H Grose	VAD Auland	WG Firth	RN Pride	TBU

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1972	H Grose	WG Firth	PN Willmette	GG Munro	TBU
1971	H Grose	WG Firth	A H Crawford	PN Willmette	TBU
1970	H Grose	VAD Auland	WG Firth	J Pert	TBU
1969	H Grose	VAD Auland	WG Firth	J Pert	TBU
1968	H Grose	VAD Auland	WG Firth	J Pert	TBU
1967	H Grose	SF Langdon	WG Firth	A Stevens	TBU
1966	H Grose	SF Langdon	WG Firth	A Stevens	TBU
1965	H Grose	SF Langdon	WG Firth	A Stevens	TBU
1964	H Grose	SF Langdon	WG Firth	A Stevens	TBU
1963	Grose/Raymond	SF Langdon	WG Firth	A Stevens	TBU
1962	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	WG Firth	A Stevens	TBU
1961	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	WG Firth	AWA Wood	TBU
1960	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	JB Knight	WG Firth	TBU
1959	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	JB Knight	WG Firth	TBU
1958	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	SG Langdon	TN Cox	TBU
1957	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	SG Langdon	TN Cox	TBU
1956	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	SG Langdon	TN Cox	TBU
1955	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	SG Langdon	MW Wheatley	TBU
1954	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	SG Langdon	MW Wheatley	TBU
1953	Grose/Raymond	WS Chapman	SG Langdon	MW Wheatley	TBU
1952	Grose/Raymond	RL Raymond	SG Langdon	MW Wheatley	TBU
1951	E Mullett	H Grose	SG Langdon	MW Wheatley	TBU
1950	E Mullett	H Grose	SG Langdon	MW Wheatley	TBU
1949	E Mullett	H Grose	CW Moss	A H Crawford	TBU
1948	E Mullett	H Grose	CW Moss	A H Crawford	TBU
1947	E Mullett	H Grose	CW Moss	A H Crawford	TBU
1946	E Mullett	H Grose	CW Moss	A H Crawford	TBU
1945	E Mullett	H Grose	EW Coram	A Malcolm	TBU
1944	E Mullett	H Grose	EW Coram	_	TBU
1943	E Mullett	H Grose	EW Coram	_	TBU
1942	E Mullett	H Grose	EW Coram	K Malone	TBU
1941	E Mullett	H Grose	S Grose	_	TBU
1940	E Mullett	H Grose	S Grose	_	TBU
1939	E Mullett	CE Morgan	S Grose	_	TBU
1938	E Mullett	CE Morgan	_	_	TBU
1937	AW Mobbs	CE Morgan	CE Nelson	RJ Mackey	TBU
1936	AW Mobbs	CE Morgan	CE Nelson	RJ Mackey	TBU

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## YEAR 2008 - Season 135

The highlight of this season:

The John Mulford Testimonial Lunch to start the season. Most impressive was the turn-out of club legends to recognise and pay their respects to John's awesome contribution to rugby at Drummoyne, NSW and at the ARU.

Then we had 1<sup>st</sup> grade undefeated all season winning both Kentwell Cup Premierships for the third year in a row, a feat only achieved twice before in the 80 plus years of the competition.

From a club perspective however, the real accolade was taking out the Club Championship. This requires breadth and depth through out the season and reflects on the overall health of a club. Everyone contributes and everyone shares in the glory..

Although it takes that across the board commitment from everyone, it helps to have good leaders and key contributors to the running of the club. This season Fred Andrews continued in his role as Club Coaching Coordinator or Head Coach. Nathan Wicks and Peter Gavrilis stepped up to join David Warne Frank and Frank "JJ" Tait, perennial manager, to go after the 3<sup>rd</sup> in a row success of 1<sup>st</sup> Grade.

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade were coached by the new partnership of Bill McIntyre and Darren Shields who started the season with a bang, including taking out the undefeated (for 2 plus seasons) Knox OB's early in the season. Ably managed by Tony Ray they made the play-offs but were unlucky not to make their Grand Final. However it was a commendable first season and one that helped enormously in achieving our goal of becoming club champions.

3rd Grade welcomed a new face to the club in Patrick (Pat) Walker whose enthusiasm, energy and commitment helped see his side reach the Finals before they were eliminated largely on what must go down as the worst refereeing decision of the season in atrocious conditions, 12 degrees on a waterlogged pitch. (Special mention to Stevie Wilson who pitched in and worked with Pat following his unfortunate knee injury against Campbelltown early in the season).

4th and 5ths were ably coached by Brett Donoghue joined part way by Sam Moussa who took on the management role. They had a good season and even after failing to reach the play-offs, their team spirit and commitment were an inspiration. It was never more evident than in the last round of the season where we went in with less that a 40 point lead in the club championship and every grade had to go out to win. Suffice it to say that there was little difference in the line up for both grades, both won and stayed around long enough to see 1<sup>st</sup> grade complete a clean sweep on the day and assure the championship.

That clean sweep obviously included our Colts who had their best season for many years. They found a winning way and a fiercely competitive appetite irrespective of the calibre of their opponents. Acknowledgment has to go to Stuart Heher for his foundation work last season and to Fred Andrews, Darren Lawrence and Craig Douglas for stepping in to the breach and assuming coaching responsibility between them. (In Darren's case, in addition to his role as a skills coach). It was again a young side many of whom are set to return next season which augurs well. However we still have not resolved the issue of establishing a longer term feeder arrangement and this has to remain a management focus for as long as it takes.

The Junior Club continues to flourish and we have seen the first influx of graduates joining the senior club in this year's Colts side to good effect.

Off the field we again found willing hands to ensure that we had a wide variety of opportunities to bond and show off our social talents. Of special mention, apart from the John Mulford testimonial must be the annual Black Tie Ball which just happened to coincide with clinching the Club Championship. It was great night, typical of Dirty Red celebrations, full on but without any embarrassment, (public that is). Thanks to everyone concerned for organizing all the off field functions that helped make this such a special season.

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Financially, as you will see from the Treasurer's report, we came out ahead again. (Thank you Geoff Granger for keeping us on track). Geoff's initiative from last year to establish the "Friends of Drummoyne Rugby Club" foundation is not quite there yet, with progress slower that we ever anticipated, however I am assured that we are getting close. The objective is unchanged and is simply to ensure funding for the longer term support of Rugby Union in the district.

The upgrade plans for the oval has now been approved at NSW state level and the formalization of our lease renewal is about to move forward again. Canada Bay Council is still assuring us that it will go ahead, most probably on a 21 year basis. Again, Scott Carrodus and Frank Mercuri have to be recognised for the extensive work they have put in, not only in terms of drafting the agreement but also for establishing very a positive relationship with the council management in the process.

Acknowledgement and my personal thanks again to John Mulford our Club Patron for his continued support and wise counsel; the support and commitment of all of the Management Committee, driven again by our exceptional club secretary, Scott Carrodus; with Nathan Landry as Club Captain; Sandy Bannatyne, Home Ground Steward (again) and his outstanding group of helpers in the Canteen(s) namely, Elma, Sheila, Lee, Jane, with Ronnie and Tony ("Beep-Beep") on the BBQ. We also had the assistance of Petrina Wicks and Deb Gavrilis in handling the management and sales of our merchandise and no question, they have set new benchmark. Our fixtures at Drummoyne Oval set a standard just that bit above that which we experience away from home. The quality of our home ground environment and our canteen services including the now legendary 'Warnie' Burger, (which no other club can begin to match), are just better than the rest!

Thanks also to our web site manager Hamish Beattie, a "subject matter expert" whose web "smarts" are greatly appreciated

Thanks also go to Dr David Todd, our Club Physio (and star of 1<sup>st</sup> Grade) Tim Cruikshank, Shane Kelly for strapping, and to Anthony (Swanno) Swanson and his Scoring box team.

As always, I acknowledge and appreciate the support and contribution of my wife Elma and her passion for the club and the game.

It was without question another memorable season. We can look forward positively to season 136 and are already setting goals for ourselves that build on and improve on 2008.

Yours in rugby, Colin Fleming, President

Yours in rugby, Colin Fleming, President

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

In 2008 the Dirty Reds had yet another successful year with three teams making the final series and our 1<sup>st</sup> grade taking out both the major and minor premiership, for the third year running. Our Colts performance was another highlight with the young men being rewarded for their efforts with a few wins on the board. Let's hope they all stick around and continue on their winning ways.

The coaching successes and player performances were recognised at our Annual Presentation Day held at The Drummoyne Sports Club in September

I would like to acknowledge the following volunteers who continue to maintain the running of this great Rugby Club. Without their dedication and tireless support, we would not be in the position we are in, & much of their effort and support can go unnoticed throughout the season.

- Shane Kelly- year after year Shane is at every game to strap the boys and ensure they are safe and ready to run onto the field.
- Gavin Hassett his efforts in collecting sponsorship this year has been a major contributor to the clubs successful financial outcome. He also assists and supports many others in the club whenever required.
- Game Day Team Elma Fleming, Leigh Granger, Sandy & Sheila Bannatyne's, Ron Wicks and Tony
  on the BBQ On Game Day this small team continue to provide great service and excellent food
  and always with a smile on their face.
- Tony (Swanno) Swanson who updates the scoreboard at each of the home games.
- Geoff (Mungo) Porter developed and maintains our web site www.drummoynerugby.com.au and in 2009 he plans to develop the website further to keep us ahead of the rest.

The club continues to look for volunteers who have time to help with the running of the club. If you are interested or know someone who is interested, please give me a call or send an email.

Congratulations must also be said to the following people whose past efforts have now been formally recognised at our AGM by being accepted as either new Life Membership or Vice presidents of the Club.

Life Memberships awarded

- Hunter Millar
- John McKenna
- Charles Facey
- Ray Pride
- Ken Wines
- Brian Johnstone

## Vice Presidents

- John Sweeting
- Peter Gavrilis

In conclusion 2008 has been another fun filled successful year and I expect 2009 will be more of the same.

Some of the objectives for 2009 include a continued focus on coaching development, another pre season lunch in March and the final launch of the long overdue Drummoyne Rugby Foundation.

Scott Carrodus Secretary

## **CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT**

What an honour it has been to captain the Drummoyne District Rugby Union Football Club in such a successful year.

To hold both the Bruce Graham Shield for Division One Club Champions and the Kentwell Cup for First Grade Champions was a great feeling.

I must thank all players who put their bodies on the line week in week out to enable these victories. To have three teams in the semi finals exemplified your efforts both at training and on the pitch.

Just as a big a thank you goes to all coaches, managers, support staff, sponsors and our partners for their contributions (and patience) during the year.

On a social note it was great to see new friendships formed and old friendships strengthened. From an ex coltie it was great to see the under 21s become more involved with the Dirty Reds. Personally the highlight of the year was seeing 120 'butch' rugby players frock up for the Black Tie Ball.

Thanks for the season.

See you on the pitch (or at pre season training in January 2009).

Nathan Landrey Club Captain 2008

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## **CLUB AWARDS 2008**

Club Service / Club person (Keith Ellis) plaque	Nathan Wicks
Presidents player (Ian Gordon Memorial)	Wayne Ford
Player's Player Year (David Dyer Award)	Dominik Duschlbauer
Most successful team (Vince O Gorman Trophy)	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade
Rookie of the year	Josh Hilliard
Highest Point Scorer	Penisula Leaupepe
Veteran's Day Player of Day (Gary Nichols Trophy)	Nathan Landrey
Most offside forward (toilet seat)	Richard "Bird Bath" Jobson
Roger Ramjet Award	Pat Walker
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade - Best & Fairest	Tuainafua Veiru
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade - Most Consistent	Liam Harnett
2nd Grade - Best & Fairest	Alex Cruickshank
2nd Grade - Most Consistent	Peter Oitmaa
3rd <sup>t</sup> Grade - Best & Fairest	Dave Zwart
3rd Grade - Most Consistent	Dan Simpson
4th Grade - Best & Fairest	Asher Milgate
4th Grade - Most Consistent	Steven Kelaher
5th Grade - Best & Fairest	Darren Shields
5th Grade - Most Consistent	Geoff Granger
5th Grade - Most Improved	Dominik Duschlbauer
Colts - Best & Fairest	Josh Hilliard
Colts - Most Consistent	YuYa Tanase
Colts - Most Improved	Blair Vincent

## **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS 2008**

Drummoyne	888
Knox Old Boys	800
Mosman	784
Beecroft	611
Campbelltown	604
Old Ignatians	586
Woollahra Colleagues	576
Forest	496
St Patrick's	412
UNSW	363

## **1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE REPORT**

In time the performance of the 2008 Drummoyne  $1^{st}$  Grade team will be looked upon and compared to as one of our Clubs greatest. In 12 months time I believe they will certainly be looked upon as NSW Subbies greatest team!

Over 7500 footballers from 55 clubs participate in the NSW Suburban Rugby Union. Of them all, our Club and this football team in particular stood at the very top of that Mountain at the conclusion of the 2008 season. To win any Competition requires teamwork, commitment and dedication. To win a 1<sup>st</sup> Grade competition requires that along with a fair amount of skill and ability.

But to win the Kentwell Cup 3 years in a row and to do it this year undefeated means you need to be a very special group of Footballers, and that is what this squad of footballers are.

Coming off the back of 2 Kentwell Cups in a row, you could forgive this team for taking their foot off the pedal. However instead of resting on their achievements, they set about raising the bar even higher and that was evident from the attendance at the very first pre-season training session in February.

Their first goal was the Crescent Heads 7's where despite a very tough schedule; the boys took out the title. That weekend away really laid the platform for the season we were about to embark on.

After the trials, as a group they set themselves 2 goals, to make this season the 3-Peat of Kentwell Cups and to help the club win the Club Championship! Not only did the boys do both, they won the toughest competition in Subbies without losing a game.

They finished 20 points clear of 2<sup>nd</sup> Spot, scored 643 points and only let in 262. Simply phenomenal! As their coach, (and I say this with the utmost respect to the other teams in the Kentwell Cup), that with the amount of depth we had in the club this year, it often felt that the biggest competition our players faced all year was with each other to try and get into this First Grade team and upon reflection it was.

It is for this reason that it would be remiss of me not to firstly thank all the players who played  $1^{st}$  Grade this year. Without your commitment, your drive, your focus and your passion for playing Rugby at Drummoyne we would not have achieved any of what we did.

Lead by Nathan Landrey in his first season as Captain, the forward pack under the expert tutelage of David Warne and Peter Gavrilis were again at their dominating best. When you have a front row that consists of Dave Hankinson, Timmy Cruikshank, Fua Veiru, Alisi and Joe Leao, you know winning tight heads are not a possibility, they are a given. Their work rate around the paddock and up through the middle of the rucks made them all crowd favorites.

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> rowers lead by the evergreen Pete Goodall and the re-emerging Liam Harnett were very ably supported by Will Fitzpatrick and David Mew throughout the year, and showed why they are not just confined to being hidden away in the engine room by producing many a fine running performance in open play, backed up by their dominance in the scrums and lineouts.

Our backrowers of Landrey, Trent Tapp, Scott Monaghan and Dusty Elsom were superb and clearly the benchmark of the competition. Their elegance in the air at the lineouts and their aggression at the breakdowns, was matched only by their superior support play, superb running displays and cover defence.

The backline which was beautifully orchestrated by the teams vice Captain and Fly Half, Nathan Hayes worked beautifully as a squad this year. Whilst constantly competing for positions within the team, the entire season they had nothing but encouragement and support for each other which only brought out the best in them all.

Around the scrumbase we welcomed Benny Leaupepe back to the club for the first time since 2000 whose brilliant goal kicking was spot on week in week out. Snapping at his heels and being rewarded with plenty of

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game time was the very tough and uncompromising Jesse Milford. Matty Pride's experience when required and called upon ensured he carried on his family's great name at our club.

The rest of the backline just oozed strength, speed and class. With Chris Sione, Pule Misa and ageless Inoke Turuva providing beautiful combinations and intimidating play in the middle of the field, much of their hard work was finished off in beautiful style and grace by Josh Maleko, Wise Gavidi, Alex Farani, Spilly Fuimono, Willy Teo and Kiel Quinn.

This team has really made their mark in our clubs history and every former, current and future player is mighty proud of their achievements. We look forward to them creating further history in 2009, by becoming the 1<sup>st</sup> team to win 4 Kentwell Cups straight.

In concluding, I would like to take this time to thank the following coaching and support staff who contributed immensely to the team's success off the field.

To the coaching staff of Warney, Gav and Frank Tait for all their hard work and support. Coaching is at times an often thankless task, but the passion and pride the players showed this year for our Club was a direct reflection of that portrayed by this Coaching team every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

To Darren Lawrence, Corey Pearson, Fred Andrews, Wal and Mungo, we greatly appreciate all your specialized coaching and fitness training. Our players across the board were better skilled this year and a lot fitter than they have ever been and this is purely because of your training drills. I look forward to seeing you all on deck again next year.

I would like to thank Shane, Timmy and Stacey for giving up their valuable time to be there every weekend strapping the players in the entire club. Their commitment and dedication in this role is what makes things seem so smooth.

To the Fellow Coaching staff, Committee, Social Committee and Canteen staff. Your support has been invaluable this year and the fact we all worked together as a team enabled us to become the Club Champions. I have no doubt we can go back to back by adopting the same approach.

Lastly to all the Past Players and our current Junior players. Your support at the games on Saturday gives us something extra to play for. We hope you have enjoyed our performances on the field and are proud of the success we have achieved for the Club. The Tradition and History of our club means a lot to our 1<sup>st</sup> Grade team and we hope to continue to raise the bar in our performances again next year by winning 4 Kentwell Cups in a row. We look forward to seeing you all there to ride this dream with us.

Nathan Wicks Co Coach



## **Back Row:**

Pule Misa, Scott Monaghan, Trent Tapp, Peter Goodall, Liam Harnett, Wise Gavidi, David Hankinson

## Middle Row:

Francis "JJ" Tait (Manager) Brian "BJ" Jacobs (Runner) David Warne (Coach) Peter Gavrilis (Manager) Tim Cruickshank, Alissi Leao, Colin Fleming (President) Nathan Wicks (Coach) Ray Hill (Major Sponsor)

## **Front Row:**

Will Teo, Ezekiel Fuinaono, Josh Moleko, Nathan Landrey (Club & First Grade Captain) Ben Leaupepe, Fua Veiru, Nathan Hayes

## BallBoys:

Thomas Newall, Patrick Newall

## **Absent**

Chris Sione and Inoke Turuva.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade 2008 (Kentwell Cup)

Round Date	Opponent	Result
5/4/2008	<u>&gt;</u> Campbelltown	32 to 10 Home Win
12/4/2008	Mosman	10 to 24 Away Win
19/4/2008	<u>»</u> Knox Old Boys	31 to 13 Home Win
3/5/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	20 to 10 Home Win
10/5/2008	<u>»</u> UNSW	3 to 48 Away Win
17/5/2008	St Patricks	7 to 33 Away Win
24/5/2008	Forest	30 to 10 Home Win
31/5/2008	Old Ignatians	6 to 50 Away Win
14/6/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	13 to 11 Home Win
21/6/2008	<u>»</u> Campbelltown	10 to 34 Away Win
28/6/2008	<u>»</u> Mosman	45 to 22 Home Win
5/7/2008	» Knox Old Boys	10 to 54 Away Win
12/7/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	27 to 38 Away Win
19/7/2008	<u>»</u> UNSW	55 to 32 Home Win
2/8/2008	St Patricks	33 to 10 Home Win
9/8/2008	Forest	19 to 19 Away Draw
16/8/2008	Old Ignatians	59 to 30 Home Win
23/8/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	22 to 25 Away Win

Semi Final def Beecroft 24-14 Grand Final def Beecroft 32-22

## **2ND GRADE REPORT**

To say it was a pleasure for Shieldsy and I to coach  $2^{nd'}$ s in 2008 would be an understatement. We were involved with a tremendous bunch of men who approached rugby in a positive way with commitment and flair. As a group we experienced the highs and lows as the season unfolded.

Our goals for the year were to play a 'ball in hand' game, support 1<sup>st</sup> grade, make the semis, have fun and win the comp. Well we almost got there.

The start of the season found us with a smallish but mobile pack supported by an electric back line – we played to these strengths and subsequently beat the top four teams from the year before on the trot. Unchallenged after the first four we were looking at unbackable odds to win the comp and were labelled the 'Entertainers' by the press. Shieldsy and I wondered what all the fuss was about and why people thought coaching was hard. We were soon to experience new emotions.

Injuries, retirements and relocations left us with a new look team and subsequently a new battle plan. All in all close to fifty players were on the roster during the year, which can present continuity issues. Needless to say we never had a team run out that did not have the goods and confidence to win – we are, after all, the Dirty Reds. In the end we won more than we lost and were never out of contention right up to the final whistle.

By applying the lessons learned and embracing the ELV's we should be a 'shoe in' next year if the boys want it. Get your money on early!

Special heartfelt thanks goes out to Raygun (Tony Rey) - without his constant efforts and humour it would have been a long year. Thanks also to the specialist coaches and all other team coaches for their assistance during the year. I'm sure the players lift when it's apparent we are all working the common goals.

**Bill McIntyre & Darren Shields** 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Coaches



## **Back Row:**

TONY REY (Manager), JAMES LIALESI, WILL FITZPATRICK, PETE OITMAA

## First Row:

BILL McINTYRE (Coach), DARREN SHIELDS (Coach), DUSTY ELSOM, GAVIN HASSETT, KIEL QUINN, COLIN FLEMING (Club President)

## Seated:

MARK LEE, MATT PRIDE, PETER WHAN, DAVE MEW (Captain), JOE LEAO, ALEX CRUICKSHANK, MARTY TEVAGA- TUALA

## **Absent:**

MATT HILLYARD, DAMIEN TANAKA, DAN HALL

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade 2008 (Burke Cup)

5/4/2008	<u>»</u>	Campbelltown	19 to 5 Home Win
12/4/2008	<u>»</u>	Mosman	10 to 48 Away Win
19/4/2008	<u>»</u>	Knox Old Boys	29 to 20 Home Win
3/5/2008	<u>»</u>	Colleagues	21 to 11 Home Win
10/5/2008	<u>»</u>	UNSW	14 to 10 Away Loss
17/5/2008	<u>»</u>	St Patricks	13 to 12 Away Loss
24/5/2008	<u>»</u>	Forest	35 to 5 Home Win
31/5/2008	<u>»</u>	Old Ignatians	20 to 17 Away Loss
14/6/2008	<u>»</u>	Beecroft	15 to 3 Home Win
21/6/2008	<u>»</u>	Campbelltown	19 to 10 Away Loss
28/6/2008	<u>»</u>	Mosman	45 to 34 Home Win
5/7/2008	<u>»</u>	Knox Old Boys	25 to 12 Away Loss
12/7/2008	<u>»</u>	Colleagues	19 to 20 Away Win
19/7/2008	<u>»</u>	UNSW	33 to 13 Home Win
2/8/2008	<u>»</u>	St Patricks	3 to 21 Home Loss
9/8/2008	<u>»</u>	Forest	29 to 26 Away Loss
16/8/2008	<u>»</u>	Old Ignatians	5 to 17 Home Loss
23/8/2008	<u>»</u>	Beecroft	5 to 42 Away Win
30/8/2008	<u>»</u>	Colleagues	15 to 21 Loss

## **3RD GRADE REPORT**

Well what a year, a complete change of position and outcome ...2006 saw 3rd grade languishing at the bottom of the table, and 2007 saw them almost in a grade final.

The final game see thirds being beaten by 2 points in a game that on heart and possession alone would have given them a 12 point win, but that is how the rugby gods have their fun.

Thirds this year was a team of heroes from all grades and would not have achieved as much as they did without the solid support of 4ths and 5ths, who sacrificed their positions on the table to give 3rds a chance.

I think thirds was summed up for me when we played our last eight games. We won games on heart and pride...games that could easily have been lost, but without the gallant effort of all players.

Drummoyne spirit is well enclosed within all the lower grades and the benefit was a great season for thirds.

I am very much looking forward to a better season next year, and with the strong work effort of the last year's players, I can't wait until Jan '09

## Patrick Walker Coach

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## **Back Row:**

DAVID FARRINGTON, DAN SIMPSON, DAVE ZWART

## First Row:

TREVOR RANGEL, RICHARD JOBSON, NICK GRAHAM, STEVE WILSON, DAVE HURLEY, ROB CAWOOD, PATRICK WALKER (Coach)

## Seated:

DAYNE MATTHEWS, BENN SYKES, MICHAEL DAVEY, ADAM DILLON (Captain), PETER COUP, WAYNE FORD, STEFAN EVANS

## Absent:

Gavan Hassett, Tom Hayes, Tristan Pidd

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade 2008 (Whiddon Cup)

6/9/2008	» Knox Old	Boys 7 to 3 Loss
30/8/2008	» Old Ignat	cians 12 to 5 Win
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23/8/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	8 to 36 Away Win
16/8/2008	Old Ignatia	ans 5 to 3 Home Win
9/8/2008	» Forest	0 to 24 Away Win
2/8/2008	St Patricks	7 to 3 Home Win
19/7/2008	<u>»</u> UNSW	9 to 0 Home Win
12/7/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	27 to 12 Away Loss
5/7/2008	<u>»</u> Knox Old B	Boys 3 to 3 Away Draw
28/6/2008	<u>»</u> Mosman	9 to 10 Home Loss
21/6/2008	<u>»</u> Campbellto	own 14 to 15 Away Win
14/6/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	14 to 13 Home Win
31/5/2008	Old Ignatia	ans 29 to 5 Away Loss
24/5/2008	<u>»</u> Forest	18 to 8 Home Win
17/5/2008	St Patricks	8 to 31 Away Win
10/5/2008	<u>»</u> UNSW	12 to 12 Away Draw
3/5/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	27 to 26 Home Win
19/4/2008	<u>»</u> Knox Old B	Boys 0 to 24 Home Loss
12/4/2008	<u>»</u> Mosman	0 to 19 Away Win
5/4/2008	<u>»</u> Campbellto	own 22 to 12 Home Win

## **4TH GRADE REPORT**

Many high's and lows during the season. Movement between Grades did not help the cohesion within the group.

Strong early season wins against Campbelltown, Mosman & Colleagues were able to propel them to the top of the table. However, games against St. Pat's & UNSW should have been enough to almost guarantee a Finals spot, but ultimately a lack of concentration & ill disclipline cost us dearly.

Arguably, the best win of the season came against Old Iggies away. Depth & character were called upon & both were shown to prove this team was capable of threatening the best in the competition. This was also evident in the away win over Colleagues where guts & determination led to a brave win on the day.

However, we severely lost our way against Campbelltown, (lack of personnel) & a tight loss against Mosman did not help the cause. A Draw with Knox Old Boys & further close losses to Forest & Old Iggies sealed our fate.

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In summary, the "4th / 5th Grade Squad" concept worked extremely well during the season. However, given that both teams were in Finals contention at the halfway mark, it was disappointing not to see either finish in the Top 4 at yearend. A few thankyou's must go to both Alex Perkins & Scott Carrodus for their dedication, hard work & leadership as well as Rosco for his assistance during the year.

2009 must see many players in the lower grades must commit to the "entire" season to ensure that contesting the Finals becomes a formality next year.

## Brett Donoghue 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> Grade "Squad" Coach



#### **Back Row:**

TOM HAYES, RAIMUND LONGBOTTOM, PAUL LAVEA

### First Row:

BRETT DONOHUE (Coach), ASHER MILGATE, ANDREW PEGLER, DOMINIK DAUBLERBAUR, RYAN HOLLOWAY, NATHANIEL MARSHALL, COLIN FLEMING (President)

## Seated:

MARK VINCENT, COLIN BAGGOTT, RICHARD SZABO, ALEX PERKINS (Captain), STEVEN KELAHER, CHRIS SMITH, ANTHONY McDONALD

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade 2008 (Judd Cup)

5/4/2008	<u>»</u> Campbelltown	20 to 5 Home Win
12/4/2008	<u>»</u> Mosman	11 to 12 Away Win
19/4/2008	<u>»</u> Knox Old Boys	8 to 15 Home Loss
3/5/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	8 to 0 Home Win
10/5/2008	<u>»</u> UNSW	8 to 3 Away Loss
17/5/2008	St Patricks	17 to 10 Away Loss
24/5/2008	<u>»</u> Forest	15 to 3 Home Win
31/5/2008	Old Ignatians	5 to 13 Away Win
14/6/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	16 to 15 Home Win
21/6/2008	<u>»</u> Campbelltown	43 to 7 Away Loss
28/6/2008	<u>»</u> Mosman	5 to 6 Home Loss
5/7/2008	<u>»</u> Knox Old Boys	3 to 3 Away Draw
12/7/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	19 to 29 Away Win
19/7/2008	<u>»</u> UNSW	3 to 17 Home Loss
2/8/2008	St Patricks	3 to 0 Home Win
9/8/2008	<u>»</u> Forest	8 to 0 Away Loss
16/8/2008	Old Ignatians	14 to 24 Home Loss
23/8/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	7 to 10 Away Win

## **5TH GRADE REPORT**

Led by the mercurial Darren Shields, this side was able to overcome many obstacles throughout the year, which lead to some very impressive victories during the season.

One game in particular stands out, (against Campbelltown away) was one of the hardest fought wins of the season. Another highlight included a try scoring frenzy by Scott "3 Tries" Carrodus against Forest at home.

A couple of tight losses against Mosman & Knox Old Boys did impede 2nd half of season momentum. There are many unsung heroes within this team. Many players had to backup & play 3rd's/4th's on any given Saturday.

Also thanks to Sam Moussa for his assistance

Brett Donoghue 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> Grade "Squad" Coach



## **Back Row:**

SAMIR MALKOUN, PHILL CUNNINGHAM, GEOFF GRANGER, JUSTIN O'KANE

## **First Row:**

SAM MOUSSA (Manager), THOMAS O'REILLY, JOHN WRIGHT, ANDY HALLS, NAT MARSHALL, STEFAN EVANS, MORRIS DANKS, COLIN FLEMING (Club President)

## Seated:

WAYNE BARRETT, TIM RICHARDS, CHRIS NICHOLSON, DARREN SHIELDS (Captain), CRAIG DOUGLAS, ADRIAN CUNNINGHAM, ANDREW LAZZANO

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade 2008 (Sutherland Cup)

5/4/2008	<u>»</u> Campbelltown	34 to 7 Home Win
12/4/2008	<u>»</u> Mosman	36 to 5 Away Loss
19/4/2008	» Knox Old Boys	19 to 13 Home Win
3/5/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	10 to 8 Home Win
10/5/2008	» UNSW	8 to 7 Away Loss
17/5/2008	St Patricks	0 to 28 Away Win
24/5/2008	» Forest	31 to 7 Home Win
31/5/2008	Old Ignatians	7 to 5 Away Loss
14/6/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	10 to 7 Home Win
21/6/2008	<u>»</u> Campbelltown	10 to 13 Away Win
28/6/2008	<u>»</u> Mosman	10 to 12 Home Loss
5/7/2008	<u>»</u> Knox Old Boys	7 to 5 Away Loss
12/7/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	25 to 7 Away Loss
19/7/2008	<u>»</u> UNSW	0 to 0 Home Draw
2/8/2008	St Patricks	28 to 0 Home Win
9/8/2008	<u>»</u> Forest	7 to 24 Away Win
16/8/2008	Old Ignatians	7 to 19 Home Loss
23/8/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	0 to 31 Away Win

## **COLTS REPORT**

The colts of 2008 did the club extremely proud both on and off the field , they won their first game in 3 years against St Pats , then went on to win another three games after that including a great win and a narrow loss of 5 points over the Grand Final winners Old Ignations.

This year shows what can be achieved by the colts if the club puts time and effort into them. We had 4 wins, lost 4 games by 8 points or less and made every team work extremely hard if they were to beat us, unfortunately the last 20 minutes of most games is where we lost it, but with a number of players only being 17 and 18 years old this season will put them in a great position to move forward and win those close ones next year.

I can not express how much I enjoyed coaching the colts this year, the players turned up to training in numbers all year, backed up for higher grades after playing, and added a special vibe in the club that has not been seen in the colts for many years, A number of these players are capable of playing grade next year and becoming a big part of the club for years to come.

A special thanks to Fred Andrews who helped out with getting many players to training and to the games. Also a special thanks to Craig Douglas for helping me Coach this year, Doggo took the forwards and really made a difference with his personality and coaching ideas, it was a pleasure teaming up with you again mate.

Thanks also to Josh Hilliard the team captain, your passion and determination every week was a class act, you lifted the players each week and also lifted there playing ability as the season went on.

Lastly I would like to thank all the supporters, we often had all of  $1^{st}$  on the side line cheering us on and also many other players and coaches, Many parents also turned up each week and I would like to thank them for there continued support.

Put time and effort onto the colts and you will get results, have fun with the players, have a laugh, and also coach them properly, and we can have results every year.

Go Drummoyne Colts 2009

Regards
Darren Lawrence
Colts Coach 2008



## **Back Row:**

JOHN TEVAGA TUALA, ANDREW KIRKWOOD, LUI FALE, JOE NUNTOON, YINAN ZHANG, MATT STANWAY, MARTY TEVAGA-TUALA

## **First Row:**

CRAIG DOUGLAS (Assistant Coach), MAHUTA MARETA, NICK BULL, JOHN PALMER, LYLE TAUALAI, BLAIR VINCENT, ANDREW STANNARD, CHRIS RHEINBERGER, ADELAIDE TEP, DARREN LAWRENCE (Coach)

## Seated:

SEPE TUPUOLA (Manager), YUYA TANASE, KARL MALEK, DANIEL FENECH, JOSH HILLIARD (Captain), BEN SPURLING, WAYNE SAGALOFA, DAVID NGUYEN, COLIN FLEMING (President)

## Colts 2008 (Barbour Cup)

5/4/2008	<u>»</u> Campbelltown	7 to 29 Home Loss
12/4/2008	<u>»</u> Mosman	24 to 0 Away Loss
19/4/2008	<u>»</u> Knox Old Boys	6 to 5 Home Win
3/5/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	21 to 42 Home Loss
10/5/2008	<u>»</u> UNSW	38 to 10 Away Loss
17/5/2008	St Patricks	5 to 15 Away Win
24/5/2008	<u>»</u> Forest	17 to 20 Home Loss
31/5/2008	Old Ignatians	15 to 20 Away Win
14/6/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	10 to 12 Home Loss
21/6/2008	<u>»</u> Campbelltown	31 to 11 Away Loss
28/6/2008	<u>»</u> Mosman	0 to 22 Home Loss
5/7/2008	» Knox Old Boys	38 to 12 Away Loss
12/7/2008	<u>»</u> Colleagues	21 to 3 Away Loss
19/7/2008	<u>»</u> UNSW	13 to 29 Home Loss
2/8/2008	St Patricks	39 to 10 Home Win
9/8/2008	<u>»</u> Forest	19 to 12 Away Loss
16/8/2008	Old Ignatians	10 to 15 Home Loss
23/8/2008	<u>»</u> Beecroft	18 to 19 Away Win

## **VOLUNTEERS 2008**



Back Row: LEE GRANGER, PAM SHAW, TONI JONES, TONY (Beep Beep) VACARELLO Seated: SANDY BANNATYNE, ELMA FLEMING, REBECCA FLEMING, SHELAGH BANNATYNE, RON WICKS, COLIN FLEMING Absent: TONY SWANSON

## **VINTAGE RED'S 2008**



## <u>Vintage Reds 10-Mosman All Stars 0.</u> "Vintage Reds achieve 3 Peat"

In front of a very boisterous and vocal Drummoyne home crowd, the mighty Vintage Reds achieved a home and away victory, three years in a row over the Mosman "All Stars' golden oldies side. The 'Afton Hema' trophy is safely ensconced at Drummoyne for another year!

The team ,ably led by captain Doctor David Todd, the Vintage Reds physically bustled the Mosman forward pack from the get go. Prop forwards, Frank Mercuri and Murphy Maiava muscled up and destroyed the Mosman front three, which set the platform for the game.

In the back line we saw Ross Pollitt playing at outside centre, his first time in the back line after twenty years of rugby! His third touch of the ball saw him cross-unopposed under the posts to score the final try in a 10-0 victory over Mosman. Adding a touch of pace, we saw the man known as the "Scrum Doctor", Anthony Swanson, showing the younger Drummoyne players his blistering pace and elusive side step on the wing for the Vintage Reds.

To help celebrate 134 years of Drummoyne "Dirty Red Rugby", the Vintage Reds where joined in a post game photograph, by the Mayor of the City of Canada Bay, Angelo Tsirekas, a staunch supporter of Red Rugby.

In post match celebrations, back at the Drummoyne Sports Club, the Vintage Reds were joined by the Tindall brothers, Edward, Edwin and Roderick. Edward "Nooky" Tindall, a former Wallaby, Edwin, up from the southern highlands and Roderick were welcomed back to the old club by the current crop of players and the Vintage Reds.

Once again, a fine end to a great day at the one of the finest rugby grounds in New South Wales, Drummoyne Oval...

2009 sees the Vintage Reds entering a side in the World Masters Games, which are to be held in Sydney...

## Tom Herlihy (Manager)

## **CLUB SONG**

## Sung to the tune of The Marseilles Words by Bruce Rollo and John McKenna c 1971.

#### **VERSE 1**

Drummoyne, the team that means so much to us, displaying greatness today. We fought like demons all the way, to keep our rivals at bay.

#### **COUROS**

Our name is feared throughout rugby land from the last team to the heads.

We are the dirty Reds!

We are the dirty Reds!

Scarlet men are we, our emblem is the "DD"

We are the dirty Reds!

#### **VERSE 2**

Now the game is over from another day, come & help us drink the wine. & join in song and merriment, oh please do not decline

#### **COUROS**

Our name is feared throughout rugby land from the last team to the heads.

We are the dirty Reds!

We are the dirty Reds!

Scarlet men are we, our emblem is the "DD"

We are the dirty Reds!

## **FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS - 2008**

# DRUMMOYNE DISTRICT RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB INC

## **REGISTERED NUMBER Y2955641**

## FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

	2008	2007
INCOME		
Memberships	13,618	15,879
Sponsorship	40,385	57,352
Functions	12,555	16,744
Canteen Sales	31,292	31,083
Raffles / Donations / Tickets	7,953	8,515
Sales-Clothing	5,641	1,395
Miscellaneous Income	4,145	2,652
John Mulford Testimonial	17,149	-
Mulford Lunch Auctions	13,410	-
Interest Received	8	9
TOTAL INCOME	146,157	133,630
LESS -EXPENDITURE		
Advertising	63	-
Audit Fees	1,500	3,000
Bad Debts	-	-
Bank charges	1,490	1,010
Affiliation Fees	3,564	3,286
Ground hire	9,445	9,098
Players Gear and Equipment	19,555	34,319
Team Photographs	4,227	-
John Mulford Testimonial Lunch	20,123	-
Functions	12,250	16,981
Canteen Purchases/Merchandise Purchased- Resale	9,338	13,486
Insurance	10,691	10,691
Interest paid	440	801
Legal Costs	-	-
Laundry & Jersey Repairs	4,355	3,025
Medical Supplies / Training	14,016	12,573
Postage & Couriers	211	527
Coaches & Players Expenses	21,168	18,785
Raffles / Donations / Tickets	-	-
Sponsors Expenses	1,214	1,973
Sundry Expenses	299	2,662
Telephone & Internet	468	-
Merchandise purchases	632	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	135,048	132,218
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	11,108	1,413

To be read in conjunction with the Statement of Accounting Policies forming part of the Accounts

GEOFF GRANGER SCOTT CARRODUS
Honorary Treasurer Honorary Secretary

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

	Note	2008 \$	2007 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash assets	2	19,170	7,375
Receivables	3	11,350	12,700
Inventories	4 _	3,500	3,500
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	_	34,020	23,575
TOTAL ASSETS	=	34,020	23,575
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	5 _	3,815	4,478
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	_	3,815	4,478
TOTAL LIABILITIES	_	3,815	4,478
NET ASSETS	=	30,205	19,097
EQUITY			
Retained profits	6 _	30,205	19,097
TOTAL EQUITY	=	30,205	19,097
GEOFF GRANGER	SCOTT CARRODUS		-
Honorary Treasurer	Honorary	Secretary	

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

This report should be read in conjunction with the attached auditors report.

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Payments to suppliers and employees	(134,362)	(131,481)
Receipts from members subscriptions etc	146,157	126,310
Net cash provided by operating activities	11,795	(5,171)
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	11,795	(5,171)
Cash at beginning of financial year	7,375	12,546
Cash at end of financial year	19,170	7,375
CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Reconciliation of Cash		
Cash at end of financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the		
statement of financial position as follows:		
Cash at Bank	19,170	7,375
•	19,170	7,375
Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit		
from ordinary activities after income tax		
Net Surplus (Deficit) for the year	11,108	1,413
Changes in Assets & Liabilities:	(((2))	<b>70</b> (
Increase / (Decrease) in creditors (Increase) / decrease in debtors	(663) 1,350	736 (7,320)
(Increase) / decrease in stock on hand	-	(7,520)
	11,795	(5,171)
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## Non-cash Financing and Investing Activities

There were no non-cash financing or investing activities during the year.

## Credit Stand-by Arrangement and Loan Facilities

The Association has no credit stand-by or financing facilities in place

GEOFF GRANGER SCOTT CARRODUS
Honorary Treasurer Honorary Secretary

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

This report should be read in conjunction with the attached auditors report.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2007

## (d) Inventories

All inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes direct materials and are assigned to individual items of stock on the basis of average cost.

		Note _	2008	2007 \$
2.	CASH ASSETS Cash at Bank	2 =	19,170	7,375
3.	RECEIVABLES CURRENT			
	Trade Debtors Other Debtors		11,350	12,700
		3	11,350	12,700
4.	INVENTORIES			
	CURRENT Finished goods	4 =	3,500	3,500
5.	PAYABLES CURRENT			
	Trade creditors		4,536	3,639
	Other Creditors	_	(721)	839
		5 =	3,815	4,478
6.	RETAINED PROFITS (ACCUMULATED LO	OSSE	S)	
	Retained profits (accumulated losses) at the			
	beginning of the financial year		19,097	17,684
	Net profit attributable to the members  Retained profits at the end of the financial year	6	11,108 30,205	1,413 19,097
				15,057

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

## Scope

We have audited the financial report of Drummoyne District Rugby Football Club Incorporated (the "Association") for the financial year ended 30 September 2008, consisting of the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Significant Accounting Policies, and the Statement of Members. The Association's Committee is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report and the information contained therein. I have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the Members of the Association.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to member for the purpose of fulfilling the Association's Committee's financial reporting requirements. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the Members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free from any material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements (Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views) so as to present a view which is consistent with my understanding of the Association's financial position and the results of its operations and cash flows.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

## **Audit Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial report of Drummoyne District Rugby Football Club Incorporated presents fairly in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements (Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views) the financial position of Drummoyne District Rugby Football Club Incorporated for the year then ended.

R M TAYLOR		
SWT Sydney		

#### STATEMENT BY THE MEMBERS

The Association is not a reporting entity because in the Members' opinion there are unlikely to assist users who are able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. These accounts are, therefore, Special Purpose Financial Reports.

In the opinion of the Members of the Committee:

- The statement of Financial Performance is drawn up so as to present a true and fair fair view of the results of the Association for the year ended 30 September 2008;
   and
- The accompanying Statement of Financial Position is drawn up so as to represent a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association as at 30 September 2008; and
- c) There are reasonable grounds to believe, at the date of this statement, that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE
and in accordance with its resolution

GEOFF GRANGER
Honorary Treasurer

SCOTT CARRODUS
Honorary Secretary