

2007

Annual Report & audited financial statements

GPS RUGBY



The Gallopers

*The GPS Club exists to promote and foster excellence and enjoyment in
the "running game" of Rugby football*

*And, in so doing, assist the progress of members
along the broader pathway of life.*

*In pursuit of the mission, we will actively promote the following values:
developing the whole person, respecting individual and group
responsibilities, upholding the standards of a responsible community
organisation and catering for the needs of players at all levels.*

GPS Mission Statement

Honour Board

GPS Club Presidents (post 1931)

Sir Kenneth Fraser
A. Falk
C. McCarthy
W. Scott
R.A. Nicol 1950-57
H. Edwards
W. Boyd 1964-70
A. Flynn 1970-72
D. Lacy-Jones 1973-78
W. Bligh 1979-81
R.S. Roberts 1982-83
L.G. Jones 1984-86
A.R. Taylor 1987-89
R.J. Thomson 1990-98
P.J. McGahan 1999-2002
P.L. Reid 2003-5
P. Garbett 2006-7

Australian Representatives

L.S. Lewis 1931/34/36
J.B.T. Doneley 1934
W.P.J. Ide 1938
B.D. Oxlade 1938
W.J. McLean 1939/46-48
J.R. McLean 1946
E.G. Broad 1947-49
K.C. Winning 1947-48/51
A. Ware 1949
D.I. McMillan 1950
P.D. Thompson 1950
C.J. Primmer 1951
G.G. Jones 1952-56
G.R. Horsley 1953-54
B.A. Wright 1955
A.F.M. Boyd 1958
O. F. Edwards 1961
P.D. Perrin 1962
D.S. Rathie 1971-72
C.M. Carberry 1973-76/81-82
D.W. Hillhouse 1975-76/83
G. G. Shambrook 1976
D. Codey 1984-86
A.G. Herbert 1987/89-93
R. Constable 1993-94
D. Herbert 1994-2002
B. Tune 1996-2002
M.J. Cockbain 1997-2003
D. Heenan 2003- 2006

Queensland Representatives 1930-1949

J.O. East 1931/33/34
F.M. Nicholson
1931/33/35/36
L.S. Lewis 1932-37
J. Williams 1932
R. Gregory 1932
J.B. Doneley 1932-34
L.J. East 1933
J. Callaghan 1933
M.D. Cullen 1933
C.H. Smith 1933
M. Muller 1934
P.L. Dixon 1934-36
W.N. Douglas 1937

R.H. Bently 1937
C.R. Hockings 1937
W.J. Ide 1938/39
G. Denman 1938
W.M. McLean 1939/46/47
A. Ware 1945-47
R. Fay 1945
A.K. Winning 1945-47/50
J. Kirk 1946-47
J. McLean 1946-47
R. Proctor 1946
E.G. Broad 1947-49
J. Irwin 1947
P. Thompson 1948-50
I. McMillan 1949-50

1950-69

I. Nichol 1950
R. Colbert 1950-51
P. Robinson 1950-51/55
G.G. Jones 1951
J. Raff 1951
G. Marles 1951-52
B. Menkens 1952
B.R. Mills 1952-53
G.R. Horsley 1952-55
R. Freudenberg 1953
J. Greene 1953
B. Wright 1954-56/59-61
G. Newton 1955
F. Thompson 1955-56
R.M. Shaw 1956-57
K. Brasch 1956-57
J. Paskins 1956-57
J. R. Harris 1957
R. Swann 1957-58
J. Gilbert 1957
A. Boyd 1958-60
B.W. Boyd 1959
D. Rylance 1960
T. Carew 1960-64/66
J. Carson 1961
O. Edwards 1961-63/67
D.B. Clark 1961-64/66-69/71
P. Perrin 1962
B. Egan 1962
W. Gunn 1963-64
J.A. Dalgleish 1960/63/65
J. Duff 1963
G. Golding 1963-64
D. Latter 1964-65
D. Whittle 1964
D. Taylor 1964
W. Reilly 1964
B.J. Munro 1964
E.A. Kann 1966-68
L.M. Nutt 1967
A. White 1969

1970-90

P. McBaron 1970
L.J. Graham 1970-74
I.D. Clark 1971-73/80
D. Rathie 1971-2/77
D. Withers 1971-73
M. Jack 1972-73
C.K. Smith 1972
P. Bissett 1973
G. Shambrook 1974-77

D. Hillhouse 1975-78/83
G. Brand 1975-80
J. Johanssen 1975
D. Regeling 1975-78
R. Hayes 1977
A. Austin 1981
C. Carberry 1981
M. Arnold 1982
T. Coker 1983-84
M. Phillips 1983-85
A. Dick 1984
D. Codey 1984-86
A. Herbert 1986-94
D. Phillips 1986-87
D. Reidy 1987
I. Siganiyavi 1989-90

1990-2005

D. Herbert 1993-2003
M. Murray 1993-2000
M. Ware 1994
R. Constable 1994-96
J. Reilly 1994-95
B. Tune 1995-2003, 05
C. Knapp 1995-98
M. Cockbain 1995-2003
M. Flanagan 1996
A. Coombe 1996
B. Cockbain 1996-98
T. McVerry 2000-5
D. Heenan 2000-6
A. Mathison 2001-6
P. Warwick 2001-2
B. Wakely 2002-3
M. Tabrett 2002-3
A. Farley 2002
T. Atkinson 2003-6
J. Pelesasa 2004-5
A. Scott 2004
B. James 2005

ACT Brumbies Representatives

T. Atkinson 2002
D. Heenan 2006-7

Women's Queensland

W. Coe 2000

500 Club Games

R.J. Thomson (723)

200 First Grade Games

D.B. Clark 1966
E.A. Kann 1970
I.D. Clark 1975
R.J. Thomson 1975
R. Nerichow 1977

200 Club Games

I.R. Colquhoun
D.J. Park
R. Mortimer
T. Jesser
D. Stevenson
J. Garde
L.G. Jones
R.S. Roberts
L.J. Graham

M. Arnold
K. Bolton
P. Biddulph 2005

100 First Grade Games

T. Carew 1964
O.F. Edwards 1966
J.A. Dalgleish 1967
D. Latter 1969
P. McBaron 1973
G. Brand 1979
A. Austin 1982
K. Bolton 1985
D. Phillips 1989
L. Tuqiri 1989
J. Taylor 1992
M. Jensen 1993
A. Herbert 1994
J. Reilly 1996
J. Moss 2001
T. Heenan 2006
T. Atkinson 2007

GPS Club Captains

J. Duff 1964
G.G. Whittle 1965-66
D.B. Clark 1967-69
E. Kann 1970-73
L.J. Graham 1974-75
R.J. Thomson 1976
G. Shambrook 1977
D. Burrows 1978
R. Nerichow 1979-80
B. Barnhill 1981
M. Oberhardt 1982
R.J. Thomson 1983
M. Phillips 1984
K. Bolton 1985-86
D. Phillips 1987
M. Frisby 1988
L. DiClemente 1989
A. Herbert 1990-92
G. Harris 1993-94
J. Reilly 1995-96
M. Murray 1997-98
T. Forno 1999
J. Steel 2000
P. Farmer 2001
A. Smith 2002
J. Moss 2003
C. Wright 2004-05
T. Heenan 2006
S. Arnold 2007

2007 OFFICE BEARERS

Patron: Dudley Dick
President: Peter Garbett
Honorary Treasurer: Rob Ferguson
Honorary Secretary: Dennis Boucher
Management Committee: President, Treasurer, Secretary, John Sexton, Rowan Sedgwick, Martin Silec, Greg Moynihan, Ben Donohue
General Manager: Rod Torkington
Club Coaches: Premier Team: Michael Heenan / Steve Phillpotts / Matt Pini
Reserve Grade: Mick Arnold / Nick Fogarty
3rd Grade: Al Beauchamp / Alan Mills
4th Grade: Matt Beacroft / John Taylor
5th Grade: David Holder
6th Grade: Tony Mahoney
Colts Squad: Terry Donovan
Colts I: Drew Vautin / Lachlan Zangari
Colts II: Chris Booth / Simon Poole / Alex Corley
Colts III: Steve Zangari / Blair Barnhill
Colts IV: Steve Taylor/ Mal Logan

Club Captain: Shane Arnold
Colts Captain: Dougal Blennerhassett

Life Members: C.J. Kaus, R.A. Nicol, K. Percy, M.R. Williams, G.C. Jones, G.R. Horsley, I.R. Colquhoun, A. Flynn, R.J. Park, R.S. Roberts, D.J.A. Clark, R.J. Thomson, B. Loel, N.A. Burrows, W. Bligh, G. Bickerstaff, R. Torkington, A. Taylor, S. Meehan, G. Rylance, W. James, L. Graham, D. Park, M. Arnold, M. Thies, T. Jesser, E. Kann

Ground Life Members: G. Walker, I.H. Fraser, R.A. Duus, D. Rylance, R.J. Thomson, A. Edwards, B. Loel, A.R. Roberts, R.W. Bligh, K.G. Aaron, R. Farquhar, L.G. Jones, I. Robertson, Dr K. Woodhead, B. Coombes, N.A. Burrows, D. O'Reilly, D. Stevenson, B.G.S. Schooley, R.A. Anderson, P.J. Short, R.S. Roberts, J. Madden, Judge B.M. McLoughlin, G.G. Shambrook, D. Withers, D.J. Boucher, G. Rylance, R.A. Bernays, Dr C.J. Osborne R. Mortimer, E.A. Kann, D. Squires, J.B. Young, A. Carew, G. Ferguson, B. Sakzewski, O. Maynes, I.D. Clark, C. Carberry, L.J. Graham, D. Dick, M. Arnold

QRU Office Bearers: QRU Board: W Colwell
QRU Vice President: P. McGahan
Delegates: W. Bligh, P. Garbett
QRU Premier Rugby Committee: P. Garbett
BRU Steering Committee: P Garbett

Auditor: J. Amos (Eric. C. Butler)

New Life Members

The following were voted in as Life Members at the 2006 Annual General Meeting.

Mike Thies – Mike joined GPS in 1969 from the then Teachers Rugby Club and continued to play until 1981. After ending his distinguished 13-year playing career during which he was awarded the John Harris Memorial Trophy, Mike became a very active behind-the-scenes supporter of the Club – fund raising lunches organiser, merchandising co-ordinator, Committee Member etc. Throughout the 30 years plus that Mike has been involved with the Club we have enjoyed the added bonus of the whole hearted support of his delightful wife Tonia, not to mention that their three boys Sam, Duane and Zane have all played for the Club.

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His 13-year playing career with GPS as a very competitive 5/8 was punctuated with numerous Premierships and Grand Final appearances in first, second, third and fourth grades which included A First Grade Grand Premiership in 1972. Towards the end of his playing career Mike was a member of a very strong GPS 4th Grade side, which won Premierships in 1978, 79 (with Mike as Coach) and 81. Between the bookends of 1st and 4th Grades Mike enjoyed success with both 2nd and 3rd Grades.

The Club is fortunate to have had the Thies family as members and supporters – long may it continue.

Trevor Jesser – this St Pauls (Bald Hills) old boy joined the Club in 1973, started the season in 4th Grade and finished it with a loss to Brothers in the 1st Grade Grand Final. Supporters of the day report that Trevor's progression through the playing ranks was based on speed, ability to break the line and strong defence – not a bad skill set for an aspiring centre. Trevor played a full season of 1st Grade in 1974, which again culminated in a Grand Final loss to Brothers. Between 1975 and 1980 he fluctuated between 1st and 2nd Grades before retiring from this level of rugby and seeing out his playing days in 4th Grade during the early 80's. In all, Trevor played around 240 club games (90 1st Grade).

Just before hanging up the boots, Trevor started to get involved with the coaching of lower Grades (Player / Coach of 1981 4th Grade Premiers) and in 1988 was co-Coach of 1st Grade with his good mate John Garde – another GPS stalwart. When Trevor's two boys started playing Colts at the Club Trevor once again offered his coaching services (1996 to 1999) and returned yet again in 2005 & 6 to coach 4th Grade.

Eddie Kann - Breakaway, Joined Club 1964, Player 1964-1977, First Grade 1964-1973, Queensland Representative 1966/1967/1968, Club Captain 1970/1971/1972/1973, 200 First Grade Games 1970, 100 First Grade Games, 200 Club Games, Ground Life Member, Member First Grade Grand Final Team 1965/1967/1970/1972/1973, Member First Grade Premiership Team and Captain 1972, Member First Grade Semi Final and Final Teams 1964/1966/1969/1971, Member Fourth Grade Premiership Teams 1974, Delegate to QRU Council 1970, Member Committee 1975, Member ex officio Finance Committee 1992, Coach U15 1979.

Presidents Report

The 2007 rugby season was the longest on record for the Club, resulting from Premier and Grades / Colts playing in 2 different time frames. Premier fired their first shot in action on the 3rd March with Grades & Colts having their first competition match on 14th April.

The 2007 season was an outstanding success for the Gallopers, continuing on from where 2006 finished. We again fielded 10 teams, 6 open grade and 4 colts. In all we had 268 players registered with the Club.

Of the 10 teams competing we had 7 teams make it into the finals - and 5 teams playing in a Grand Finals. Congratulations to our 6th Grade, 3rd Grade and 3rd Grade players, managers and support staff for taking out their respective Grand Finals.

The Doherty Shield – Club Champions eluded us this year by 8 points. This margin equates to 2 or 3 wins out of about 180 games contested during the year.

Our on-field success was due in no small way to the outstanding contributions from our Committee, Coaches, Managers and support staff. Our hardworking committee was very fortunate to secure the services of Lorraine Gorman early in the season. Lorraine's dedication to the Canteen, her organizational skills and sheer hard work certainly took the pressure off many of our Committee. Her free reign in the Canteen also saw the expansion of our food offerings and these were a major hit both over the counter and to our profitability.

As we quickly learned when you get Lorraine Gorman you also get her immediate and extended family. Paul, Marge, Sis, Fiona, Tina and who can forget Michael and Dean all made significant contributions to GPS this year. Also Jo Perkins and Jan Garbett worked tirelessly behind the scenes as they have for many years now.

GPS home game days have been the talk of Brisbane club rugby with crowds upwards of 2000 on some occasions. The 'Ground Hog' crew work behind the scenes on these days is massive starting with the setup at 6.00am. Martin Silec and his team John Sexton, Phil Perkins, Dave Park and Denis Boucher were outstanding to say the least.

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Although Tim Ferguson stepped away from Committee duties in 2007 his work rate did not drop off and his coordination as Grades Rugby Director was a significant factor in our on-field success. Terry Donovan stepped into the Colts Rugby Director role this year and with a new colts coaching team and many new players and families joining our Club Terry did a great job managing their transition. Both Tim and Terry will be stepping aside from these roles in 2008 however I am sure they will still be around when we need a few more shoulders at the wheel.

Steve Parry was joined by Ben Donohue as our ground announcers and the running commentary and sponsor acknowledgements were added feature to the Yoku Road experience.

Sponsors

Sponsorship is an invaluable source of revenue for this club and whilst The Treasurer has identified and thanked those businesses and loyal individuals who have once again seen fit to support our cause, it would be remiss of me not to reiterate the debt of gratitude, which GPS Rugby owes to them. Once again, on behalf of the club a very sincere thank you. To our own members, read the Treasurers Report, remind yourself who the sponsors are and do whatever you can to reciprocate. That way, they may feel encouraged to support us again next year.

Clubhouse forecourt and grounds redevelopment

On the subject of making Ashgrove Sports Ground a better place, 2006 and 2007 are shaping up as watershed years in this context. 2006 because that is the year in which our co-tenants Valley Cricket were successful in securing a State Government Major Facilities Sports Grant of up to \$500,000 for a complete reconstruction of the playing surfaces and the implementation of leading edge water capture, storage and re-use systems. 2007 because that is the year (August to December) in which it is planned for the work to take place and in which Cricket and Rugby will need to demonstrate the capacity to match the State Government's \$500,000. The other good news is that Valley Cricket have also secured a Commonwealth Government (Water Commission) grant of around \$220,000 which is to be offset against the \$500,000 the Clubs need to raise for this project.

The not-so-good news on this project has been the relatively slow progress in the early stages. Prior to the appointed contractor taking possession of the site it was necessary for Council to undertake some landfill site remediation work, which was scheduled to be completed by the end of September. This work encountered some unforeseen problems and is only being completed today, as we meet. This almost two month delay will have some implications for next year which we will need to manage our way around. Whilst this is disappointing it is not the end of the world and the advantages of the finished product should far outweigh the short-term disadvantages.

Conclusion

Another year in the history of our great club has passed and we can all look back upon it with tremendous satisfaction and pride. All the hard work and dedication was worth it and I am pleased to report our Club is in safe hands with the caretakers made up of a mix of long term and new members.

I am looking forward to a successful 2008,

Regards,

Peter Garbett

Team Reports

Premier Grade

Coaches: Mick Heenan, Steve Phillpotts and Matt Pini

A major step forward was taken by Premier Grade this year after a frustrating 2006. Preseason this year started with a focus on three outcomes: physical preparation, improving our basic skills, and adapting our play to cope with the experimental law variations. The fruits of our labours were evident in the way we started our season – nine straight wins culminating in a 55-5 win over traditional rivals, Wests at Sylvan Road. Things got tougher for us in the latter half of the season although we still managed to do enough to clinch the minor premiership with 3 rounds to play, which is no small achievement. It was disappointing not to be able to produce our best performances in the finals after so much hard work was done to get there - but at the very least it should provide some motivation for season 2008.

Other highlights were the twin demolitions of University, the wins over the old enemy Brothers and although not a win, the game against Gold Coast at GPS was from a spectators' point of view one of the most exciting games seen at Yoku Rd for many years. Some individuals deserve mention for their outstanding seasons: Byron Roberts, who was rewarded with the Best Back Award; Steve Miller our captain who again had another outstanding season and won our Best & Fairest Player, Donovan Slade who had one of his most consistent seasons and was our top points scorer with 171 points, which was the second highest in the competition; Sean Graham matured into a Premier Grade forward of quality; Tom Sully defied size differentials every week to steer us around the field from halfback; and Elia Tuqiri returned from a few years spent playing professionally to add some spark to our backline.

Our Reds players had mixed seasons. It was disappointing to see Anthony Mathison forced to retire due to his neck and back problems in what should have been the prime of his career. Ben Tune finished an outstanding career with an almost injury free season despite the Reds' frustrations. Tom McVerry managed to have one of his most consistent seasons with the Reds and then went on to captain the Ballymore Tornadoes in the inaugural ARC. While it is sad to see him lost to Australian rugby we wish him all the best in Italy and Japan and hope to see him again in blue & green in the future. Will Genia had an outstanding first season in senior rugby, making several appearances for the Reds and also playing well for the Tornadoes.

Congratulations also to our uncontracted players who participated in the ARC – Elia Tuqiri, Brett Naylor, Byron Roberts and Steve Miller at the Tornadoes; and Nick Churven and Matt Cockbain at the Melbourne Rebels who all performed well when given opportunities.

Thanks to Matt Pini and Steve Phillpotts who did great jobs in their roles of backs and forwards coaches respectively and more importantly complemented each other off the training paddock as well. – Matt with his passionate and sometimes fiery approach and Steve with his calm and considered approach. Scott Oakhill, with his usual commitment and dedication, ran a management team that threatened at one stage to outnumber players – my thanks to Scott and to his (regular) team: Joe Anderson, Tim Conroy, Michelle Bennie, Michael O'Rielly and Anthony Deakin. Grant Jenkins, our strength and conditioning coach, again dived into his role with energy and enthusiasm and had a seemingly inexhaustible supply of new ideas for training and preparation, which were always appreciated. Madonna Mathies and her team of physios at Red Hill Allsports again had a busy year, although the improvement in numbers of injuries can be at least partly a result of the good work done by both Grant and Madonna in players' physical preparation and recovery.

I must also thank Cris Gillespie for making up the quotes from me every week in the match reports. A bit of variety would be good for next year though Diz – I'm starting to bore myself !

Congratulations to all of the grades coaches this season on their part in making this season the most successful season for the club as a whole during my time here, and in particular to Al Beauchamp and Alan Mills in 3rd grade, Matt Beacroft and John Taylor in 4th grade and Tony Mahoney in 6th grade for their wonderful achievements in winning premierships. My thanks also to Mick Arnold and Nick Fogarty in reserve grade for their efforts in supporting the "squad" approach to training in Premier and Reserve grade.

Finally thanks to the GPS committee for their energetic efforts throughout the year. To have crowds for our home games which are the envy of every other club in Brisbane is a testament to their hard and often unnoticed work at the club – it doesn't go unappreciated by the players and coaching staff in Premier Grade.

Mick Heenan

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PREMIER GRADE - MINOR PREMIERS - 2007

FRONT ROW: (L to R): Willie Genia, Elia Tuqiri, Mark Bennedick, Nick Churven, Steve Miller (Capt), Jason Hynes, Donovan Slade, Tom Sully.

SECOND ROW: Mick Heenan (Head Coach), Matt Pini (Backs Coach), Stephen Phillpotts (Forwards Coach), Byron Roberts, Brett Naylor,

Ryan McDonald, Peter Stevenson, Grant Jenkins (Trainer), Joe Anderson (Runner).

BACK ROW: Michael O'Reilly (Runner), Sean Graham, Brendan Sexton, Tom Couper, Geoff Ingram, Gavin Warren, Tom McVerry,

Scott Oakhill (Manager).

ABSENT: Sam Weier, Liam Ferguson, Stuart Longworth, Ollie Sosene, Matt Cockbain, Chris Wright.

BALL BOY: Beau Harvey. INSET: Michelle Bennie (Assistant Manager).

Reserve Grade

Coaches: Nick Fogarty and Mick Arnold

Season 2007 can only be a year considered a season of what ifs and could have beens. After a very promising pre-season and some excellent form in the trial matches, 2nd grade really never got out of second gear and failed capitalised on opportunities which were presented during the course of the year.

The first round saw some pleasing form and big things promised but unfortunately the side never reach their full potential and this was extremely frustrating for players and coaches alike. 2's saw themselves sitting on top of the ladder on completion of the first round, however there was only a handful of points separating first to sixth and a loss at any one time could see any of these sides go sliding out of the four and struggle to make the finals. Strong wins against Brothers in round one and Wests and Sunnybank in round two showed glimpses of the strike power, which 2's were capable of playing but unfortunately these displays of brilliance were too far, and few between.

With four matches remaining in the second round second grade saw themselves just hanging on to a spot in the top four, but which was the trend for the season the side was unable to maintain constant pressure in the tough matches and went down to the Gold Coast by two points and Logan and Brothers in the final two matches by a point. Losses to the lowly ranked Souths and Easts didn't help the reserve grade's cause and these losses to these sides, which the team should have won, ultimately cost them a top four finish. If there is any consolidation to the season of what ifs, is that the two sides which eventually made the grand final Brothers and West, 2's defeated West the eventual premiers twice and Brothers once and lost to them in the final match of the regular season by one point.

The season was not all doom and gloom with some outstanding performances displayed by many individuals, with Chris Wright playing his 100th Premier Grade match, Tom and Chris Rynders both making their A-Grade debuts in the same match, Mogi Wei playing some outstanding and very consistent football and also the return from injury of Shane Arnold. Dave Howard and Casey Brown

gave excellent representation during the year so to did Tom James and Mark Donaldson. The coaching staff would like to thank all the managers and personnel who gave their time and energy to the boys this year and especially the men of reserve grade for their efforts and dedication to the season and training.

Nick Fogarty and Mick Arnold

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RESERVE GRADE - 2007

FRONT ROW: (L to R): Sam Thies, Mogi Wei, James Park, Casey Brown (Capt), Chris Wright, Tom James, Shane Arnold.
SECOND ROW: Rod Sparks (Asst Mgr), John Richards (Manager), Andrew Taylor (Runner), Liam Stower, Luke Bolster, Liam Ferguson, Dave Howard, Nick Fogarty (Asst. Coach), Mick Arnold (Coach).
BACK ROW: Gavin Warren, Tim Sheppard, Aaron Bellamy, Chris Rynders, Damian O'Connor, Jim Graham, Sean Bell.
ABSENT: Mark Donaldson, Cam King, Paul Mitchell, Sam Weier. INSET: John Kirkman.
BALL BOY: Nick Richards.

Third Grade

Coaches: Alan Mills and Al Beauchamp

The season for 2007 can only be described as a complete success with the team earning the title as Undefeated Premiers. In total, 46 young men ran onto the field during the season as 3rd Grade players.

A complete statistical record of the season has been compiled by John Hollamby, with a copy attached to this report. Hence this report will deal with the reasons why we think we achieved such an outstanding result.

Alan Beauchamp handed to each player, coach and manager a laminated document titled "The 10 Commandments". He advised all that this was going to be the blueprint and foundation for our season. He was correct. A copy of this has been attached to this report.

The 10 Commandments became the bedrock of the teams mission defined by the mantra "Commandments 1 and 10 will win the game 2 to 9 are the tools". The 1st Commandment deals with defence and the 10th covers the will to win. Alan stated his mantra in the first regular game of the season and after 18 home and away games and two finals it was the reason for our victory.

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In the last 90 seconds of the Grand Final the score was 22 – 20 to Redlands, with the play being located on the half way line. In brief, the lads never gave in, never lost their composure and confidence and scored the winning try with 45 seconds left on the clock. Such was the self-belief created within the lads by the 10 commandments and the mantra.

The Redlands Football Club have come along way in the last few years and now play running rugby in the best possible spirit of the game. All season the difference between the two teams was minimal as summarised by the following data. (Redlands match report attached)

- 1st Round score GPS 27 – Redlands 26 (Home)
- 2nd Round score GPS / Redlands 24 all (Away)
- GPS Season For and Against 520 – 164
- Redlands Season For and Against 534 – 207
- GPS Regular Season Competition points 81
- Redlands Regular Season Competition points 79
- Score in the Grand Final GPS 27 – Redlands 22

Such was the dominance of these two teams that the nearest team on the points table was South's at 54 points.

Redlands next year will be very difficult to beat as they have continually made the finals for the last few years but have not converted their appearances into a Trophy. The loss was very painful for them and it will harden their resolve next season.

For the record

- Best and Fairest Charles Holland (Vice Captain 10)
- Best Forward Wayne Robinson (Captain 6)
- 3 points for the Final Marty Perkins
- 2 points for the Final Luke Campbell
- 1 point for the Final Marshall Preston
- Coaches of the Year Alan Beauchamp, Alan Mills
- Clubman of the Year John Hollamby

Underlying all this was the fundamental principle that we all aspired to and it was the reason why we had such a strong culture in the team.

WE ARE HERE TO HAVE FUN

Alan Mills and Al Beauchamp

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THIRD GRADE - UNDEFEATED PREMIERS - 2007

FRONT ROW: (L to R): James Park, Shannon Dean, Chris Taylor, Nick Dangerfield, Tim Sheppard, Brett Beauchamp, Daniel Barden, Luke Campbell, Charlie Holland.

SECOND ROW: John Hollamby (Manager), Michelle Bennie (Asst. Mgr), Liam Stower, Sam Weier, Tom L'Estrange, Cam King, Trent Benett, Pat King, Alan Mills (Coach), Al Beauchamp (Coach).

BACK ROW: Jim Graham, Denis Beattie, Dan Moynihan, Jim Wren, Martin Perkins, Tom Rynders, Marshall Preston, Brett Frostick.

ABSENT: Scott Richards, Ses Slade, Kelevi Tuicolo, Joao Caldeira-Santos, Wayne Robinson (Capt).

Fourth Grade

Coaches: Matt Beacroft and John Taylor

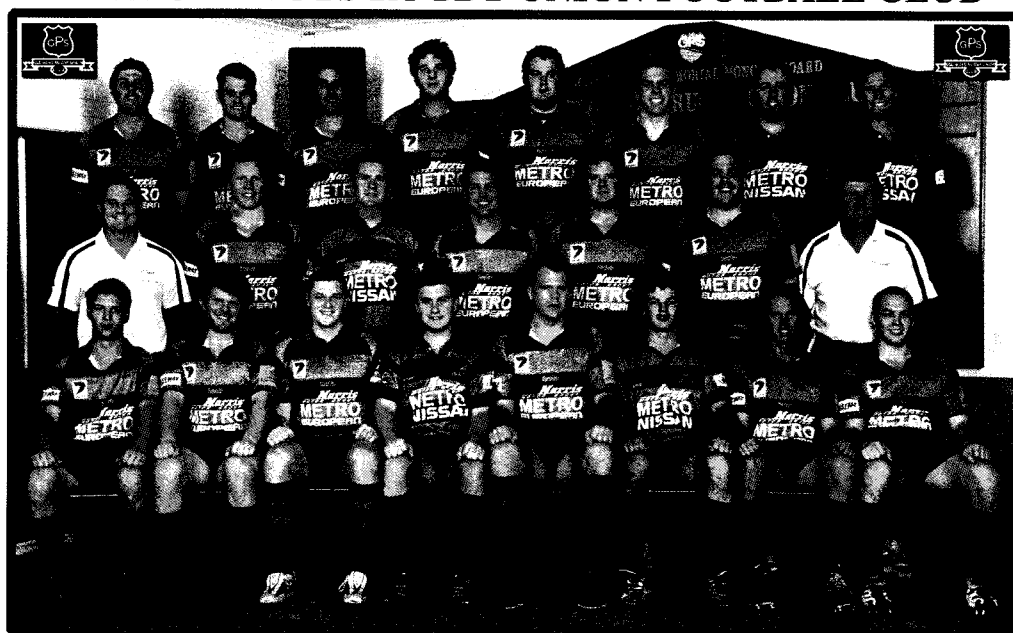
4th grade had a lot to look forward to this year after finishing an unlucky 3rd in 2006. The team's squad stayed remarkably in tact during the season, which enabled the team to secure the premiership in a tight final against second placed Wests. The team only dropped one game all year when in the first round Wests snatched victory via a field goal. No team got within 10 points of the side for the rest of the year which was reflected in the teams for and against of +540.

All year the scrum and lineout dominated the opposition, which set the platform for the backline to fire, which invariably, they did. Try scoring and counter-attack was the theme of the season with electrifying finishing from wingers Cameron Lynch and Simon McKiever who amassed over 40 tries between them, which saw Simon McKiever reach the magic 100 point season mark. Andrew Fielding cemented his spot at fullback early in the year and capped off a great season with a well-deserved match-sealing try in the final.

The forwards were well drilled and clinical at the set piece. Captain Matt Blinkhoff led the team around the park well all year with great support from Jason Lohman & Jonathon Duke. There was a good mix of experienced players and exuberant youth in the side, which kept the side on track. I would like to wish all the best to the following veterans in retirement Rowan Sedgwick, Paul Mitchell and Brett Beauchamp who were all outstanding players and leaders in their last year at the club. The strength of the 3rd and 4th grade sides proved an invaluable training tool to push guys to perform to the best at training and on the field. There were 46 players used in fourth grade this year, which shows the depth that is to be found in the club. There were a lot of quality players on the bench for the finals this year, which is a testament to the quality of the squad. Thanks for the Year.

Matthew Beacroft and John Taylor.

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FOURTH GRADE - PREMIERS - 2007

FRONT ROW: (L to R): Chris Taylor, James Thomson, Andrew Fielding, Kell Cronin, Matt Blinkhoff (Capt), Scott Armstrong, Brett Beauchamp, Tom Craig.

SECOND ROW: Matt Beacroft (Coach), Jason Lohman, Josh Scott, Rowan Sedgwick, Brett Frostick, Cris Gillespie, John Taylor (Coach).

BACK ROW: Lewis Torkington, Paul Mitchell, Andrew Taylor, Jonathan Duke, Luke Sexton, Denis Beattie, Carlos Guerrero, Simon McKeiver.
ABSENT: AJ Hall, Tom Howard, Brad Jarro, Mick Taylor, Cameron Lynch.

Fifth Grade

Coach: David Holder

First of all I would like to congratulate all those involved with the GPS club this year for what could only be considered a very successful season. From a personal perspective it was my first year involved with the club and enjoyed it immensely. It is clear there is a great spirit and resolve from all those involved with GPS rugby and I am sure it will be rewarded with continued success into the future. Thank you to all those who welcomed into this proud club and helped me throughout the year, I really do appreciate it. To all the players I was involved with, thanks for giving me your time and I hope in some way no matter how minor I may have contributed to you enjoying your football and developing your football.

I was involved in coaching the 5th grade this year with some good help from Steve and Glen. It is an interesting grade and unique grade to coach and probably quite different to most of the other grades I suspect. It certainly provides its challenges but also has its rewards. 5ths is unique in that it provides a rugby outlet for a number of players. Some maybe colts who are moving into the senior grades for the first season, others may for whatever reason not be able to fully commit to training or may not be available to play week in week out or even on a regular basis. Others may not have played a lot of rugby before and are reasonably new to the game. So there is a real mix in there. Fortunately for me they all had one similar trait in that they were all what I'd term good blokes. They gave me their time and attention and always tried which is all I could ask.

Throughout the year we went from extremes of seemingly having too many players (sometimes two full teams) and at others it seemed we might struggle to field the bare minimum. I always tried my best to find the right balance between trying to achieve victory and giving everyone a go which a wise man once told me is an obligation to the players. (Thanks Millsy). I doubt there would have been one game this year where we didn't have four or five changes. Sometimes we weren't sure who would be playing until Saturday morning and often weren't sure who would play where until just before kick-off. Disrupted preparation would be a kind turn of phrase to describe how we went into each game but I guess that is just the nature of fifths.

I am the first to admit I didn't always get it right and to suggest our season was mixed is probably about the best way you could put it. We started well and early on lost a few close games that I thought we could of and at our best should have one. Toward the end of the year maybe those games counted against us but who knows. One thing I am sure of is we always tried and we certainly had our share of good performers. I said earlier coaching 5ths had its rewards and they don't always come in the form of wins or losses. Sometimes watching something that you worked on with the players improve is that reward. It is my hope that the guys involved with 5ths had as good a time being involved in the team as I did and that they can say they improved as footballers in some way.

Despite always having a large number of transient players 5ths were lucky enough to have a number of reasonably regular players which made life a lot easier for me! Amongst those players were a wide range of personalities. From the slightly aggressive like Ian Wilkie, Tom Austin and John Hewson to the enigmatic chip kicking Blowers or TBA Sully we had guys who must have some of the biggest hearts in this club like Trent O'Connor, Ken Beanland and Nathan Bakes and we had some good you outside backs with lots of potential in Brockhurst and Clifton Jones. In fact all the boys brought something special to the 5th grade jumper.

I have already alluded to us having a number of great performers though the year, unfortunately there are only two awards to present but before we do so I would like to just make a couple of honourable mentions. Firstly Alex Clifton Jones is a player who I believe has a lot of potential and only just missed the player of the year award, I hope next year and years to come he commits himself and gets opportunities up the grades. Secondly is Kenny Beanland who came back from a nasty injury early on, Kenny is a guy who would best be described as casual. But on the field he is anything but, no matter what his work rate for a prop is extremely high. He isn't a huge bloke but scrummages well and has plenty of ticker, I was always pleased when he ran on for us. There are a number of guys that played this year who I hope apply themselves next year and have a real go at their football next year because I am sure in full flight you would do quite well in higher grades.

So to the awards now. The first to a guy who I thought was our most consistent performer this year, I never saw a bad game from him and he provided us with leadership and direction on the field. He would often be the first person I would name and his versatility and willingness to play a number of positions was a real bonus for us. What is more he never let anyone down. In fact I think you would be hard pressed to find a more competitive and tenacious player in the room tonight. He is of course Scott Armstrong.

Finally the Player of the year award. I doubt this guy's ability would be in question with many people here tonight. In fact of everyone in 5ths I believe he has the most potential. I am sure it is something he

has heard many times before and only he could decide if he wants to apply himself to his rugby in years to come. What I can guarantee is that if he does the rewards will be there and I am sure a large number of people would enjoy watching him become the best player he can. I have described him as enigmatic because that is what he was for us this year, sometimes you would often see him playing within himself and then when we needed it he would explode into action with some of his trademark runs scattering defenders as he ploughed through them. Maybe he might pull off a couple of big shots one after the other just to remind the opposition he was there. One thing I know is that his performance added a lot to our teams and brought confidence to the guys around him and no matter what level that is the mark of a good player. When he spoke others listened and when implored to he led by example. Despite all the big plays he also did a lot of stuff off the ball in cover and clearing up that didn't go un noticed (I ma sure there were a few chip kicks in there also).

So well done Gordon Wilkie

David Holder

Sixth Grade

Coach: Tony Mahoney

The season started with a mixture of old and new players alike. Our first game was a convincing win against Brisbane Irish, however we cam crashing back down to Earth with a narrow loss to Sunnybank. This was in some part due to, how do I say this? "Dubious Refereeing"?

From then on the season continued with players coming and going until we settled down to a team that spent their Saturday afternoons travelling to the likes of Beenleigh, Victoria Point, Sunnybank and how can anyone forget the Marsden Hospitality.

One of the highlights of the year was playing the curtain raiser for the Premier Grade Grand Final where we defeated Beenleigh in a close fought game and the same result would repeat itself in the Knock Out Semi Final 2 weeks later.

We played Southern Bay in the Major Semi Final, a team which had only lost twice during the season – both times to the illustrious GPS Team. Unfortunately we did not succeed on this occasion. Two weeks later, however, it was another story with GPS triumphing and coming home once again with a Grand Final win!

I would like to thank all the players for supporting both the club and me during the season and congratulations to 3rd & 4th Grades for their fine wins as well as the rest of the club for a great year.

Hope to see you all back next year raring to go.

Hooroo!!

Tony M

GPS Colts

At the commencement of training in January, there was the usual uncertainty regarding numbers for the Colts teams. Should we attempt to field four teams or limit ourselves to three? The question was answered when Pine Rivers Pumas made a request for their under 19 players to become part of the GPS "community" and so we were able to move ahead with two teams in the Colts 3 competition. The second Colts 3 team (comprising a mix of Ashgrove and Pine Rivers players) was based at the GPS-Albany Creek club at Brendale. GPS continues to be the only club in the competition capable of fielding four Colts teams.

Drew Vautin was appointed as Colts Head Coach and shared the Colts 1 coaching duties with Lachlan Zangari. Chris Booth and Roland Verran (later replaced by Simon Poole) took charge of Colts 2 and last season's successful Under 17 coaching team of Steve Zangari and Blair Barnhill mentored the Colts 3. Steve Taylor and Mal Logan agonised each week over the selection and training for the second Colts 3 team.

A successful pre-season program led into trial matches and two rounds of home-and-away fixtures. At the end of a somewhat frustrating and inconsistent year, Colts 1 secured fourth place on the table. Colts 2 were Minor Premiers and Colts 3 finished third. The second Colts 3 team finished the season with four victories including one in the first round against their GPS "brothers". Wins in many, or all, of the matches they conceded by fewer than seven points would probably have seen this team in strong semi-final contention. This is the fourth consecutive season that GPS have had teams in the finals of all three Colts competitions.

The usual semi final structure this year was turned on its head by cancellations due to wet weather so the Super 14 format was adopted....1v 4 and 2 v 3 with the winners of these sudden death games to proceed to the Grand Finals. Colts 1 (4) defeated Easts (1) in the semi final and met Sunnybank (3), who had defeated Brothers (2) in the other game, in the season decider. After a superb first half, at the end of which GPS led 30-15, lapses in defence and skill execution saw Sunnybank score 26 unanswered points for a 41-30 victory. Colts 2 (1) were defeated by Easts (4) in the sudden death semi final and knocked out of the competition which was duly won by Brothers who defeated Easts comfortably in the Grand Final. Colts 3 (3) defeated Sunnybank (2) in their semi final and played Goodna (1) in the Grand Final. Goodna had defeated Easts (4) in their semi-final. The young Gallopers were defeated 17-10 after a very evenly contested and skilful encounter against a team who has been beaten only twice in two seasons.

Congratulations to all the Colts players for the time and effort you put into your rugby in 2007. While there is no silverware to put on display, you have memories of battles waged and won (and sometimes lost) with friends new and old; friends that will be with you as long as you choose.

During the season, ten (10) GPS Colts players made representative squads.....Dominic Amarena, Dougal Blennerhassett, Jonathan Ellis, Gian Paul Garzarella, Daniel Gorman, Peter Hilton, AJ Humphries, Liam McWhirter, Josh Pszczonka and Alex Tallon.....the most in one season in recent times.

Thank you to the hard working and tireless managers and support staff....George Moulos (Colts 1), Alex Corley (Colts 2), Tony Rogers and Tom Sexton (Colts 3) and Greg Richmond (Colts 3, Albany Creek).

To Madonna Mathies, Kate McCormick and the staff at All Sports Physio, a big "thank you" again for your professional work in the treatment and maintenance of player injuries. It is a big plus to have you on board as an integral part of the GPS Colts Program.

Finally, to all the coaches, your ability and application over many months may not have produced trophies this season, but all the players you coached would be lesser people without your collective input. Rewards are not always tangible.

To the Colts players who won trophies, congratulations. There are any number of players across all the Colts teams who would be worthy recipients. To those of you moving on to Grades next year, good luck with your future forays into rugby. To those contemplating not playing, think again. If you still choose not to play, remember your time with GPS Colts. We were honoured to have you as part of our "family".

And finally, to those coming back into the Colts ranks in 2008, you are the strength on which the club will continue to build its base for future success. GPS currently has the most successful Colts program in Brisbane and we aim to continue in this vein.

Terry Donovan
Colts Director
GPS Old Boys Rugby Club

Colts One

Coaches: Drew Vautin and Lachlan Zangari

The 2007 GPS colts 1 squad had another very successful season culminating in a Grand Final appearance. The season was best summed up by lock Dan Gorman commenting on our Grand Final performance, "In the first half we showed how we can play and in the 2nd half we showed how we do play" Consistency was the Achilles heal of the squad.

The season had many highlights including a record number of players in Queensland representative teams, defeating the minor premiers East's in the semi-finals, defeating the premiers Sunnybank in the regular season.

All the boys worked exceptionally hard through out the season and should be extremely proud of their efforts.

Dougal Blennerhasset did an outstanding Job as Colts 1 captain he is true leader both on and off the field. Dougal was well supported by Liam McWhirter, Dan Gorman and Alex Talon.

The Best and Fairest Trophy was awarded to AJ Humphries. AJ also won the Best and Fairest colt overall.

AJ's work ethic, performance, tenacity and skill made him a clear winner in both these awards.

The Colts 1 Most Improved was awarded to GP Garzarella.

GP is a player that makes coaching so rewarding. He is Enthusiastic, Humble and works tirelessly at his physical and technical preparation. This year we had the by far the best scrum in the competition because of GPs efforts combined with Josh Pjzonka and Dom Amarino.

I would like to thank all of the players for the season it was enjoyable and rewarding.

I would also like to thank, Terry Donovan for his support through out the year. George Moulus our indefatigable manager. Kate and all the staff at AllSports for their efforts getting the boys back on the park. All the Colts coaches for their support input.

Most importantly I would like to thank Lachlan Zangari my co-coach. Working with Lachie has been the highlight of the year, he is an outstanding coach with a big future ahead of him and I look forward to coaching with him again.

Drew Vautin

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COLTS 1 - RUNNERS UP - 2007

*FRONT ROW (L to R): Nick Dorn, Alex Rokobaro, Matt Richards, Alex Tallon, Dougal Blennerhassett (Capt), Liam McWhirter, Peter Hilton, Sam Rogers.
MIDDLE ROW: Lachie Zangari (Asst. Coach), Drew Vautin (Coach), Nick Zangari, Josh Pszczonka, Gian Paul Garzarella, Peter Shallcross,
"AJ" Humphries, Terry Donovan (Colts Director), George Moulos (Manager).
BACK ROW: Dominic Amerena, Jake Crank, Dan Gorman, Brad Houlihan, Jonathan Ellis.
ABSENT: Matt Barnhill, Mitchell Carr.*

Colts Two

Coaches: Chris Booth, Simon Poole and Alex Corley

Over the course of the year, the colts 2 squad used a total of 43 players and I would like to thank each for their valuable contribution. The Colts 2 side developed a solid team culture, which was the foundation of a very successful year, culminating in the minor premiership.

Most of the squad are 1st year Colts who will return to GPS next year, battle hardened and understanding of what is required to be successful.

The team achieved 517 points for (75 tries) and only conceded 191 points against (27 tries) for the season, a remarkable result by any standard.

The Colts 2 team played very dominant, open, running rugby style and they enjoyed the freedom to play what was in front of them, which, showed in their enjoyment of the game and in the culture of the team as a whole.

I have been very impressed by these young men who have demonstrated personal excellence and qualities beyond their years. As a first year coach with GPS I cannot help but be impressed by the quality and depth of this club and by the fine young men I have been so fortunate to have been involved with.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Simon Poole (backs coach) and Alex Corley (backs coach / manager). Both Simon and Alex came to the Colts squad after the season had started and they were able to gain the respect of the Colts 2 team quickly. Both Simon and Alex have proven to be very skilful and knowledgeable coaches and their valuable contributions cannot be over stated.

A special mention to Drew Vautin & Lachlan Zangari for putting together a wonderful program, for their leadership and guidance over the year. To Terry Donovan for his support and guidance over the year and to Blair Barnhill and Steve Zangari for their contributions.

The Colts 2 squad:

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Forwards - 26

Frank Abernethy #, Andrew McKenzie #, Tim Wrigley #, Jake Crank #, Tim Jones #,
Ryan Nugent #, Dean Warren, Peter Shallcross #

Pat McCarthy #, Alex Muir #, Brad Houlihan, Ben Armstrong, Buddy Coombs #, Sam Jefferis #, Tom
Kent, Blake Debritz, Tom Smithers, Nick Carrigan, Pat Frisby, Eamon Lindsay, Dugald Park, Toby
Martin, Josh Pszczonka, Rob Southwood, Sam Tewson, Luke Watt

Backs - 17

Nick Dorn #, Adam Hinds, Warwick Keating, Ben Austin #, Tom Jacks #, Bill Leal #, Nick Humphries #,

Sam Rogers, Michael Atkinson, Ben Hicks #, Ben Fehervary, Michael Todd, Ollie Jones, Sean Cotter,
Josh Logan #, Ben Ramsey, James O'Reilly,

Chris Booth

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COLTS 2 - MINOR PREMIERS - 2007

*FRONT ROW: Brendan Coombs, Ben Fehervary, Warwick Keating, Peter Shallcross, Nick Dorn (Capt), Ben Hicks, Ben Austin,
Nick Humphries, Blake Debritz.*

*MIDDLE ROW: Alex Corley (Manager), Tom Jacks, Adam Hinds, Michael Atkinson, Tim Wrigley, Andrew Mackenzie,
Simon Poole (Asst. Coach), Chris Booth (Coach).*

BACK ROW: Billy Leal, Ben Armstrong, Jake Crank, Pat McCarthy, Tim Jones, Frank Abernethy.

ABSENT: Dean Warren.

INSET: Ryan Nugent.

Colts Three

Coaches: Steve Zangari and Blair Barnhill

2007 saw a fantastic year for Colts 3, which came right down to the last minute of the season. From the very beginning the side had its sights set on a grand final berth with a strong pre-season turnout. After a slight stutter early on the boys quickly hit their stride and firmly entrenched themselves in the top three.

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By mid season the side had reached the top of the table before injury took its toll on the higher grades and many of the side were elevated to fill the gaps. However a gusty effort by a nucleus of regulars and with the help of players from the other GPS colts three team ensured that the side finished the regular season in third position.

A sudden death knockout against second placed Sunnybank stood in the way of a grand final berth and the boys showed great determination to produce a gutsy win. The grand final against Goodna came right down to the wire and the boys almost snatched it. With only minutes to go and trailing by 12, GPS scored to bring the game within reach. With time run out and in possession deep in their own territory the side showed great patience and phase play to go the length of the field and dive over in the corner for a try. Unfortunately the touchy's flag went up for a foot into touch half a metre from the line and the game was gone.

All the boys who pulled on a Colts 3 jumper this year should be proud of their achievements. Much of the success can be attributed to the commitment of the players, the strong leadership of the captain Michael Todd and the wisdom and guidance of the coaching staff, Steve and Blair. Special thanks to Terry Donovan who does a wonderful job coordinating the Colts teams and congratulations to Ben Fehervary on his Best and Fairest award and Tom Smithers as Best Team Man.

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COLTS 3 - RUNNERS UP - 2007

FRONT ROW: (L to R): Brendan Coombs, Ben Fehervary, Eamon Lindsay, Michael Todd (Capt), Tom Smithers, Dugald Park, Blake Debritz.

SECOND ROW: Sam Jefferis, Alex Muir, Michael Atkinson, Tony Rogers (Manager), Nick Carrigan, Murray Batchelor, Ben Hicks

BACK ROW: Billy Leal, Tom Kent, Pat McCarthy, Ben Armstrong, Sean Cotter.

ABSENT: Steve Zangari (Coach), Blair Barnhill (Coach), Tom Sexton (Manager), Oliver Jones, Michael Chaffe, Drew Farquhar, Pat Frisby, Morgan Hickey, Will Jack, James O'Reilly, Rob Silec, Sam Tewson.

Colts Four

Coaches: Steve Taylor and Mal Logan

GPS again were fortunate to have the strength across the colts program for the 2007 season, however a 4th team was looking shaky at the start of the season. Out in the northern suburbs, Pine Rivers Puma's were short and called for help in locating additional players for 8 – 10 players they had. In an experimental move, the club combined players from GPS with the Puma's boys and located them at Albany Creek GPS.

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Coaches were last year's colts 4's Steve Taylor, along with Mal Logan from Puma's and managed again by Greg Richmond. Phil Mayze captained the team and home ground was Albany Creek.

The players bonded very well and for a colts 4 team and were very competitive throughout the season. All that was needed was some luck, and we rue the 6 or so games we lost narrowly, including semi finalists Easts (twice) and our last game against Brothers. However luck is generated from within and these guys showed plenty of heart with some barnstorming games, including a cracker against University at the home of Puma's. When we hit it, we hit well but as with all the teams, the injury runs and inability to find a consistent training pattern for the team made it difficult at times.

From a players point, our aim was to develop a harmonious environment and to increase skill and opportunity. All the players got opportunity and through this we saw some solid skill development, which will be a benefit for future years. Our "Best and Fairest" Toby Martin was tireless, closely followed by Josh Logan who was the coaches pick for 2007.

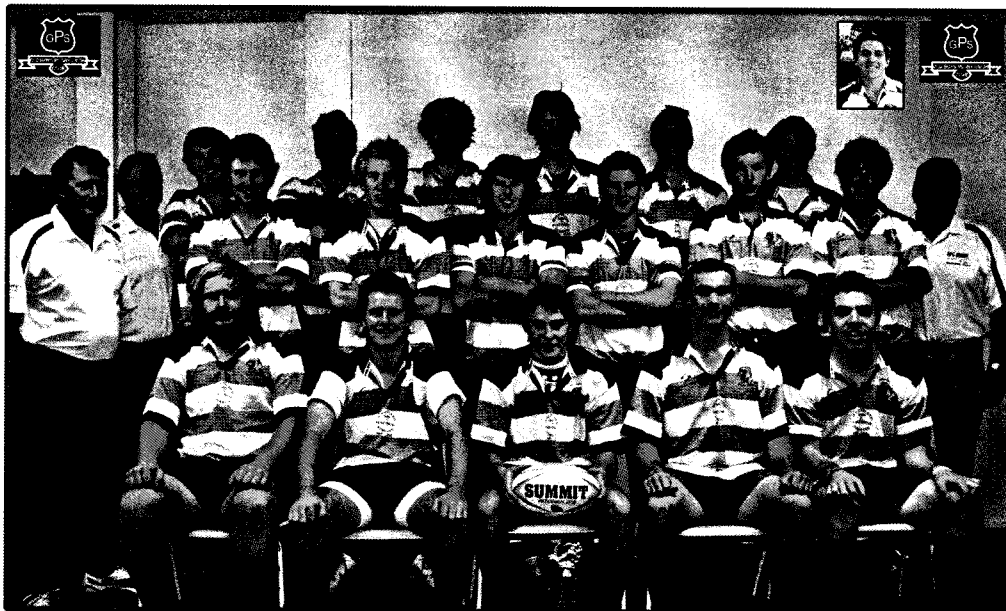
The team harmony was lead by Marshy, Hutchy and Spready when he wasn't detained and the big improvers were Joey James, Lucas Benopath, Chris Vickery and Alex Karadimitris, just to mention a few.

We also hope Michael Schwebe and Robert Crooks recover well from their injuries.

The positive outcome from this is the interest created by GPS in the northern areas and next year hopefully will see a greater base of players from the region. This in turn strengthens the colts base, creates opportunity and assists to attract depth to the colts program.

Special thanks to Margaret Taylor, the team Mum and Ryan for his help throughout the season, we all hope we can improve from this year and fulfil a dream to developing a feeder to GPS in senior ranks.

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COLTS 4 - 2007

BACK ROW (LtoR): Mal Logan (Asst. Coach), Luke Watt, Alex Karadimitris, Joseph James, Daryl Cochrane, James O'Reilly, Scott Willard.

MIDDLE ROW: Steve Taylor (Coach), Matt Hutchinson, Mark Hankin, Chris Vickery, Calen Thomas, Kurt Langham, Mitchell Smith, Greg Richmond (Manager).

FRONT ROW: Michael Todd, Kieren Marsh, Josh Logan, Toby Martin, Lucas Benporath.

ABSENT: Phillip Mayze (Captain), Tom Spreadborough, Robert Crookes, James Noye, Michael Schwede, Ben Ramsay, Kyle Whiteman.

Player Representative Honours 2007

SUPER 14 - QUEENSLAND REDS

Ben Tune, Anthony Mathison, Tom McVerry and Willie Genia

Unfortunately, both Ben and Anthony retired this year. Both have suffered serious injury problems in recent years and whilst Ben was able to cap off a wonderful career with the Wallabies and the Reds by completing the 2007 season, Anthony was not so lucky, being forced to retire prematurely after a long run of back and neck injuries. We wish Ben all the best in his future career and we welcome Anthony as a new member of the club's coaching staff in 2008 when he takes on the challenge of Colts 1 Coach.

The Club may or may not have seen the last of Tom McVerry in the Blue & Green – frustrated by the lack of game time with the Reds, Tom has opted to further his career in Japan (via Italy). Tom has been with the Club since Under 7's and will be sorely missed around the place – best of luck Tom. Willie was one of the fortunate few to gain a Reds contract without ever having played Grades for the Club. He undoubtedly has great potential and it remains to be seen where he chooses to gain the experience he needs in order to be able to compete consistently at Super 14 level – it would be nice to think that he would stick with Jeeps, but apparently there is some doubt over this.

Australian Rugby Championship

Ballymore Tornados: Tom McVerry (Capt), Willie Genia, Elia Tuqiri,
Brett Naylor, Donovan Slade, Byron Roberts,
and Steve Miller

Melbourne Rebels: Matt Cockbain and Nick Churven

UNDER 19

No less than 12 players from the GPS Colts were rewarded with Representative Honours in 2007.

QAS Under 19 Dominic Amerena, Alex Tallon and Dougal Blennerhassett

Brisbane U19 Jonathan Ellis and Daniel Gorman

President's XV: Gian Paul Garzarella, Peter Hilton, Alex (AJ) Humphries,
Liam McWhirter, Joshua Pszczonka, Matt Richards and Nick Zangari

GPS Trophies 2007

John Harris Memorial – Rowan Sedgwick
Walter Boyd Memorial – Best Clubman – John Hollamby
David Burrows Memorial – Best Junior Clubman – George Moulos
Golden Gallopers Award – Spirit of Club Rugby – Tony Mahoney
B B Loel Trophy – Spirit of the Colts – Dugald Park
Humphrey Bere Memorial – Club Captain – Shane Arnold
Ben Tune Trophy – Best Jeeps Representative Player – Tom McVerry
Patron's Trophy – Outstanding Achievement in Coaching – Al Beauchamp & Alan Mills
Robert Burrows Memorial Trophy – Best & Fairest Colt – AJ Humphries
Top Try Scorer – Simon McKeiver
100 Points for the Season – Tom Rynders, Simon McKeiver, Ryan Strelow, Nick Zangari
Premier Grade B & F – Steve Miller
Premier Grade – Best Back – Byron Roberts
Reserve Grade – B & F – Casey Brown
Reserve Grade – Most Improved – Chris Rynders
3rd Grade – B & F – Charlie Holland
3rd Grade – Best Forward - Wayne Robinson
4th Grade – B & F – Simon McKeiver
4th Grade – Best Forward – Jason Lohman
5th Grade – B & F – Gordon Wilkie
5th Grade – Best Back – Scott Armstrong
6th Grade – B & F – Pat Muir
6th Grade – Management Choice Award – Andrew McCulloch
Colts 1 – B & F – AJ Humphries
Colts 1 – Most Improved Player – Gian Paul Garzarella
Colts 2 – B & F – Peter Shallcross
Colts 2 – Coach's Award – Adam Hinds
Colts 3 – B & F – Ben Fehervary
Colts 3 – Best Team Man – Tom Smithers
Colts 4 – B & F – Toby Martin
Colts 4 – Coach's Award – Josh Logan

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GPS Grade Player Statistics 2007 (financial players only)

Name	P	R	3	4	5	6	Total	Tries	Conv.	Pen.	FG	Points	Career Total
													Prem/Total
Armstrong, Scott				5	11		16	1				5	0/25
Arnold, Shane		15					15	2	6			22	20/44
Atkinson, Tim	8						8	6				30	100/100
Austin, Tom					12		12						0/27
Bakes, Nathan					11		11						0/11
Barden, Daniel		1	12				13	2				10	0/49
Bates-Smith, Tristan					9		9	1				5	0/24
Beanland, Kenny					8		8						0/8
Beattie, Denis			9	9	1		19	2				10	0/29
Beauchamp, Brett			6	10			16	2				10	0/16
Bell, Sean	6	13	3				22	2	7			24	0/22
Bellamy, Aaron	1	10	2				13	2	7	8		48	11/27
Benett, Trent		2	18			1	21	1				5	0/116
Bennedick, Mark	17						17	8	2			44	56/66
Birtles-Eades, Corey				2			2						0/2
Blinkhoff, Matt			1	15			16						1/70
Blow, Anton				2	8		10	4	3	1		29	0/73
Bolster, Luke	5	13					18	2				10	15/46
Brockhurst, Chris				1	5		6	2	1			12	0/6
Brown, Casey	6	15					21	3				15	23/38
Caldeira-Santos, Joao	1	1	10				12	1				5	0/12
Campbell, Luke		2	15				17	5	1			27	0/40
Chapman, Corey	2						2						8/17
Churven, Nick	14						14	3				15	52/61
Clark, Jayden					1		1						0/1
Clifton-Jones, Alex					9		9	1	2			9	0/9
Cockbain, Matt	10						10	2				10	75/77
Cope, Brenton						11	11	1	1			7	0/23
Couper, Tom	5	4					9	2				10	37/44
Craig, Tom			1	13			14						0/32
Cronin, Kell				13	1		14	3	21	4		69	0/48
Cutmore, Shane				1	4		5	5				25	0/5
Dangerfield, Nick			17	7			24	9	3			51	0/24
Dean, Shannon		2	15	4			21	11	7	2		75	0/38
Deviney, Padear				1	1		2						0/2
Donaldson, Mark	4	12					16	3				15	9/36
Duke, Jonathan			1	11			12	1				5	0/41
Duke, Simon						13	13	2	1			12	0/13
Eaves, Chris						12	12						0/12
Farquhar, Alex					9		9						0/9
Ferguson, Liam	14	10					24	3				15	25/53
Fielding, Andrew				16			16	5	17	3	1	71	0/32
Forno, Trent	2	4	3				9						87/142
Foster, Brendan						10	10	1				5	0/53
Frostick, Brett			12	10			22	1				5	0/40
Gardiner, Jack					9		9						0/9
Garvey, Peter						9	9	1				5	0/31

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Genia, Will	5					5						5/5
Gillespie, Cris			4	15		19						0/38
Graham, Jim		12	8			20	6				30	8/62
Graham, Sean	16					16	3				15	34/52
Guerrero, Carlos				9		9	1				5	0/33
Hall, AJ			5	8		13	1				5	0/41
Hanson, Lucas					9	9	4				20	0/49
Harvey, Rob					11	11						0/11
Heenan, Dan	2					2						12/13
Hewson, John					11	11						0/11
Holland, Charlie		5	16			21	4	3			26	46/123
Howard, David		14	4			18	4				20	2/56
Howard, Tom			2	7		9	1				5	0/24
Hynes, Jason	14	2				16	14	3			76	33/56
Ingram, Geoff	14					14						84/92
Jackson, James					7	7	5				25	0/145
James, Tom		16	2			18	4				20	3/35
Jarro, Brad			4	7		11	1				5	35/79
Kershaw, Richard					5	5						0/16
Kimiya, Kazumitsu				1	6	7						0/19
Kimiya, Mitchi				12		12						0/12
King, Cam		8	7	1		16	5				25	6/58
King, Pat		1	15	1		17	9				45	0/38
Kirkman, John	3	9				12	3				15	9/29
L'Estrange, Tom		6	13			19	14	10			90	0/56
Lohman, Jason			4	11		15	1				5	0/15
Loli, Alec					10	10	4				20	0/27
Loli, William					11	11						0/11
Loli, Zoro					11	11	9				45	0/33
Longworth, Stuart	7	2				9						7/9
Lynch, Cameron			1	11	1	13	11				55	0/47
Mahoney, Tony					10	10	2				10	0/62
Mathison, Anthony	1					1						61/62
McCulloch, Andrew					12	12	2	20	6		68	0/36
McDonald, Ryan	7					7	1				5	49/65
McKeiver, Blake					13	13	6	4			38	0/13
McKeiver, Danny					11	11						0/41
McKeiver, Simon				16		16	21				105	0/40
McNeil, Josh					5	5						0/5
McVerry, Tom	7					7						74/74
Mead, Cameron	1		3	3		7	3	1			22	1/7
Mellers, Clint					13	13						0/13
Miller, Steve	17					17	1				5	106/109
Mitchell, Paul		10		7		17	3				15	0/28
Moynihan, Dan		1	16			17	4				20	0/37
Muir, Pat					11	11	2				10	0/11
Naylor, Brett	7					7	2				10	7/7
O'Connor, Damian		15				15	2				10	0/19
O'Connor, Nick				4		4						0/15
O'Connor, Trent				12		12						0/12
Park, James		15	7			22	3				15	1/57
Perkins, Martin		8	11	1		20	2				10	12/50

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Porteous, Angus	5	1	3			7	9	2				10	18/120
Preston, Marshall			10	1	6		17	1				5	0/17
Richards, Scott			10	2			12	1	3	3		20	0/36
Roberts, Byron	19						19	8				40	61/61
Robinson, Adam					6		6						0/6
Robinson, Wayne		1	19				20	2				10	0/38
Ross, Daniel					9		9						0/9
Rynders, Chris	3	15					18	2				10	4/34
Rynders, Tom	1	6	13				20	8	33	10	1	139	1/20
Scott, Josh				8	5		13						0/13
Sedgwick, Rowan				12			12	2				10	0/123
Sexton, Ben			3	3	1		7	1				5	0/56
Sexton, Brendan	16						16	3				15	89/96
Sexton, Luke			1	13	1		15						0/118
Shallcross, Bob		1	3	2			6						0/27
Sheppard, Tim		12	12				24	10				50	6/70
Slade, Donovan	17						17	8	45	8		154	103/106
Slade, Ses		1	13	4			18	4				20	0/18
Smith, Alistair			1				1						0/49
Sosene, Olly	7	1	1				9	6				30	7/9
Stanley, Brendan	4						4	1				5	13/22
Stevenson, Peter	14						14	8				40	37/37
Stower, Liam	3	10	7				20						7/39
Strelow, Ryan	7	2				7	9	11	20	4		107	9/34
Sullivan, Mark						12	12	1				5	0/23
Sully, James					9		9	2	5	1		23	0/9
Sully, Tom	17	1					18	3				15	17/40
Tayler, Chris			5	6	1		12	2				10	0/12
Tayler, Mick			1	8	2		11	1	1	1	1	13	0/11
Taylor, Andrew			1	7			8						0/44
Thies, Sam	3	15					18	3				15	60/116
Thomson, James			3	15			18	1				5	0/39
Toole, Jacob						9	9						0/9
Torkington, Lewis			3	15			18	9				45	0/18
Tuicolo, Kelevi		4	15				19	2				10	0/29
Tuqiri, Elia	16						16	13			1	68	16/16
Valentine, David						10	10	1				5	0/152
Vivian, Byron				2			2	3	2			19	1/30
Warren, Gavin	8	8					16	1				5	8/16
Wei, Mogi		13	4	3			20	9				45	0/41
Weier, Sam	9	13	8	3			33	4				20	9/33
Wilkie, Andrew					11		11						0/11
Wilkie, Gordon					10		10	2				10	0/21
Wilkie, Ian					8		8						0/8
Wren, Jim		2	12				14	1				5	0/14
Wright, Chris	8	13					21	6				30	100/136
Zaranski, Tom					10		10						0/10

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GPS Colts Player Statistics 2007 (financial players only)

Name	C1	C2	C3	C4	Total	Tries	Conv.	Pen.	FG	Points
Abernethy, Frank		15		1	16	1				5
Amerena, Dominic	16				16	1				5
Armstrong, Ben	1	9	7		17	1				5
Atkinson, Michael	6	12	9		27	4	3	3		35
Austin, Ben	6	13	3		22	5				25
Barnhill, Matt	10	2	2		14	4				20
Batchelor, Murray		4	13		17	8				40
Benporath, Lucas				15	15					0
Blennerhassett, Dougal	17				17	4				20
Boucher, James			2	2	4					0
Carr, Mitchell	12				12	7				35
Carrigan, Nick		4	13	1	18	2				10
Chaffe, Michael		3	6		9					0
Cochrane, Daryl				15	15	2				10
Coombs, Brendan		5	12		17					0
Cotter, Sean		3	17	2	22	7				35
Crank, Jake	9	13			22	1				5
Crookes, Robert				11	11	1				5
Debritz, Blake	3	8	8		19	2				10
Dorn, Nick	6	16			22	3				15
Ellis, Jonathan	20				20	3				15
Farquhar, Drew		1	7		8	3				15
Fehervary, Ben	2	4	14		20	7	2			39
Frisby, Patrick		7	9		16	5				25
Garzarella, Gian Paul	19				19					0
Gorman, Daniel	20				20	2				10
Hall, Samuel		1	4		5					0
Hankin, Mark				11	11	1	4			13
Hickey, Morgan			7	4	11					0
Hicks, Ben	4	8	8		20	5				25
Hilton, Peter	17				17	5				25
Hinds, Adam	7	14		1	22	7	13	3		70
Houlihan, Brad	18	4			22	7	18	3		80
Humphries, Alex	17				17	3				15
Humphries, Nick	6	8			14	1				5
Hutchinson, Matt				14	14	1				5
Jack, William			7		7	1				5
Jacks, Tom	3	17			20	7				35
James, Joseph				14	14					0
Jefferis, Sam		9	14		22	3				15
Jones, Oliver		2	16	1	19	2				10
Jones, Timothy	1	15			16					0
Karadimitris, Alex		1	1	16	18	1				5
Keating, Warwick	5	14			19	10				50
Kennedy, Thomas				2	2					0
Kent, Thomas		5	18	1	24	1				5
Langham, Kurt				10	10	1				5
Leal, William	1	11	9	1	22	3	2	2		25
Lindsay, Eamon		7	16		23	3				15
Logan, Josh	1	2	1	15	19	15	7	1		92
Mackenzie, Andrew	3	14			17	4				20

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Martin, Toby		1	6	14	21	1				5
Marsh, Kieren			4	14	18	2				10
Mayze, Phillip			4	14	18	1				5
McCarthy, Pat	1	8	13	1	23	4				20
McWhirter, Liam	17				17	1				5
Muir, Alex	1	6	16		23	5				25
Noye, James				8	8					0
Nugent, Ryan	13	15			28	3				15
O'Reilly, James		2	9	1	12	7				35
Park, Dugald		2	14		16					0
Pszczonka, Joshua	19	1			20	2				10
Ramsay, Ben			8	7	15	2				10
Richards, Matthew	18				18	7				35
Rokobaro, Alex	6	1		1	8	4				20
Rogers, Sam	12	9	3		24	4				20
Schwede, Michael				6	6	1				5
Shallcross, Peter	15	10			25	4				20
Silec, Robert			9		9	1				5
Smith, Mitchell				15	15					0
Smithers, Thomas		3	15	2	20	1				5
Southwood, Robert	2	4			6	3	12	2		45
Spreadborough, Thomas				9	9	1				5
Tallon, Alex	20				20	12	8	5	2	97
Tewson, Sam			17		17	1				5
Thomas, Calen				11	11	3				15
Todd, Michael		7	14	1	22	2	41	2		98
Vickery, Chris			4	16	20	2				10
Warren, Dean	7	11			18	7				35
Watt, Luke		1	4	11	16	2				10
Whiteman, Kyle				9	9					0
Willard, Scott				11	11					0
Wrigley, Tim	8	10	5	1	24	2				10
Zangari, Nick	20				20	9	22	11		122

The "Golden Gallopers"

A changing of the guard this year at the GPS Golden Oldies with a lot of new faces joining the club and adding a heap of enthusiasm. Tony Rogers stepped down as President and Simon Runge took up the challenge for the 2007-year. Another great year with both on and off the field.

This year the GG's launched a new web site (<http://www.gpsgoldengallopers.com/>) which proved it's worth by attracting 5 new permanent recruits directly from this site. The web site has details on how to join, game schedules, and the ability to sign up for the GG's email list to be kept up to date with all of the clubs activities and events.

We struggled for numbers mid way through the season with at one point 7 players on the sidelines due to a string of injuries including knee reconstructions, cracked ribs, dislocated elbow, hamstring tears, and the odd ventolin inhaler. This is certainly an unusual number of casualties, even for old folk such as us. Having said that we finished with a full compliment and ended the season on a positive strong note.

With over 50 Over 35's clubs in the greater Brisbane area we decided to mix it up a bit this year and play a few different teams, whilst still maintaining a core set of teams where we know we will have a good hard game. Teams we played this year include Sunnybank, Redcliffe, Police, Beenleigh, Eagles, Caboolture, XXXX, Wests, Easts, Souths, and Bris Irish. The decision to mix it up proved to be a great success and we will look to add to this list of teams for next season.

The bus trip seemed to be the flavour this year with trips to the Gold Coast, Beenleigh and Redcliffe. This has proved to be a great way to build the bonds of friendship within the team, with tall stories of valiant efforts growing larger as the trips got longer meaning larger consumption of beer within a confined space.

The highlight of the year was the game played following the Premiers in April. The old boys don't get to play too many in front of the crowds and it was a rare treat to run on in front of a few thousand at Yoku Road. The 10 all score line added to the enjoyment and we will definitely be back next year and hopefully turn the result into a win. The event was such a success that several clubs have expressed interest in playing the curtain closer if it is once again offered.

Next year for the Golden Oldies looks like being a corker with a several players returning from overseas, and all going to plan a tour of Scotland for the World Golden Oldies Tournament in September. We will be running several fund raising activities between now and then to raise funds for this trip and would greatly appreciate any assistance in this regards.
http://www.goldenoldiessports.com/go_festivals/rugby_festivals/world_rugby_festival_08.htm

As the season closes for 2007 special mention must go to Fluxy or his tireless efforts organising games and events for the team this year, without guys like Fluxy it just doesn't happen so on behalf of the club thanks mate. The Golden Gallopers once again open their arms to any newcomers, so if you are an old player or just love the game and would like to have a bit of fun we would love to hear from you.

Treasurer's Report

The year 2007 has again been financially successful for our club. Our net profit of \$126,417 is a substantial increase from \$44,180 in 2006 and \$41,290 in 2005.

I believe this result is the culmination of a number of years hard work around the Club by a very committed group of volunteers and staff members.

In turn this has translated into ever improving on-field performances right through the club. Our depth is the envy of other clubs and gives us another very underestimated resource – the players.

As a committee it is very gratifying to see the boys volunteer (or at best not run away) when work around the club is required. Our boys have realised and acknowledged that the club is for their benefit, but that it is up to them to be involved. As a treasurer this also translates into lower costs for services such as set-up and clean up on home game days.

Player Subscriptions

Player subscriptions have continued to be reliable and low fuss, reflecting the positive attitude the boys have towards the club.

Social Members

This year we made the decision to substantially decrease club membership, from \$77 to \$30 in an effort to attract new members. This has been very successful and we are hoping to again improve on this increase in 2008.

We greatly value the social members and wish to acknowledge that your contribution is important in keeping the spirit of club rugby alive.

Canteen Arrangement

Our canteen arrangements have been a continual problem for many years, due to the presence of two clubs with overlapping needs, particularly on home game days.

This year, the appointment of Lorraine Gorman as Canteen Co-ordinator has greatly improved the situation for both clubs.

Lorraine has been a revelation and her experience and sound commonsense took a great deal of weight from the Committees shoulders. In addition Lorraine had a great gang of helpers (family and friends) and their assistance was invaluable.

QRU Premier Grant

We again acknowledge and thank the QRU for the \$80000 grant to assist in the funding of our premier grade side. The new Australian Rugby Competition could see some of this funding diverted, which would be an obvious blow to the finances of amateur clubs such as ours.

We will continue to lobby the QRU and ARU on the on-going relevance of community rugby, and ask our supporters to do likewise.

Sponsorship

Sponsorship is vital to our club and we are fortunate to have a group of sponsors who provide great financial and other assistance to us.

Norris Motors were again our Principal Sponsor with AWX Labour Hire, Channel 7, Fastway Couriers and Bluewire Media as Major Sponsors.

We are also grateful to QRU for organizing sponsorship from Bartercard.

Other significant sponsors were Bardon Bowls Club, Ashgrove Air, Stocks RetraVision, Ultimate Building, Sleepy's and Jones Lang Lasalle.

"Shy" Sponsors

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As mentioned in last years report, we also have within our club a number of benefactors who quietly demonstrate loyalty through voluntary assistance. They do not seek recognition for their efforts but we know our members appreciate their efforts.

For example,

- **Brisbane Ice Sales** (The Mee Brothers) have provided ice for Seniors and Juniors at no charge. Even the mobile refrigeration vans have been "freebies." This is a substantial saving as anyone purchasing even a single bag of ice at the garage will agree.
- Martin Silec of **Concrib**, Chris Davies of **Hendra Hardware**, **Tony Mahoney Concreting** and Gus Porteous of **Bowser and Lever** lent their time, expertise and materials to construct the extended apron in front of the club house.

In addition there are many other people who willingly provide expertise whenever asked and it is gratifying for the Committee to be able to rely on this goodwill when required.

Please support the businesses who support us.

Home Games

This year the early commencement of Premier Rugby meant the first round was almost over before the cricketers had finished with Yoku Road.

This in turn meant we had a string of home games in a row during the second round. A great load was therefore placed on those who had to organise and run the events, but this was done willingly and with good humour.

Home game days are now very well patronised and we encourage everyone to bring friends down to see the real fun in rugby. The more people the better from our sponsor's viewpoint as well.

Events and Functions

The Pre-Test Lunch was again our major fundraiser, and our thanks to Lorraine and Rod and everyone involved in what was a great social event.

From a fundraising viewpoint though, the Committee is seriously considering the return to a smaller venue as the extra cost to accommodate larger numbers actually results in lower revenue. For members and supporters this means one thing – book early to avoid disappointment next year!

The Golf Day was again a great success and was organised by a former committeeman, Greg Geraghty. Again, Greg's efforts are greatly appreciated by the Club, as it means there is one event that a reliable person has assumed responsibility for, lessening the load on the Committee.

Capital Projects

I mentioned in last years report that the fixed awning in front of the clubhouse had been completed after the end of the financial year, i.e. in this financial year.

This project was funded entirely by the Junior Club, but we all had the opportunity to judge its worth during the past season. To say it was a success is an understatement, and we again congratulate the Junior Club on a job well done.

The Senior Club contributed to the final project by extending the concrete apron and erecting fencing along the perimeter, to complete a great viewing and entertainment area.

Grounds Redevelopment

This project is covered elsewhere in the Annual Report, but I would like to add my note of appreciation to John Moran of Valleys Cricket and his hard-working sub-committee from the three Yoku Road Clubs, who have devised the project and then obtained Grant funding for almost three quarters of the cost of Stage 1. We also thank the Federal, State and Local Government for this financial support, which recognises the valuable service provided to the community by sporting organisations.

Outlook

Given the positive mood throughout the club I have every confidence that Jeeps will continue to go forward, both financially and in on-field success.

It will always be hard work for an amateur club, but well worth the effort.

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New Treasurer

This is my final report as Treasure as I will be stepping down after 4 years.

Brian Sully, a former player, whose sons currently play for the club, has volunteered to take on the role. Given the nature of the position, Brian is not really anticipating a ballot to take place!

Brian brings a great deal of experience to the position and his input will be invaluable in coming years.

I wish to thank those who have made the job interesting and enjoyable. In particular Peter Garbett has been an incredibly hard working and decisive President. The Committee is a group who respect each other, but are never backwards in voicing alternative opinions! Rod Torkington provides us with invaluable assistance and experience, Ellen Godfrey assists with our accounting functions and the very long list of volunteers keep our running costs down to manageable levels.

I wish all those involved in the club every success in coming years

Rob Ferguson – Treasurer

2007 Audited Accounts of the GPS Rugby Club Inc

Profit and Loss as at 30th of September 2007

	2007 \$	2006 \$
RETAIL SALES		
Bar	73,341.64	57,820.86
Food	27,232.20	0.00
Merchandise	854.55	604.55
TOTAL RETAIL SALES	101,428.39	58,425.41
LESS: COST OF GOODS SOLD		
Opening Stock		
Bar	2,844.78	0.00
Merchandise	1,600.00	2,455.00
Purchases		
Bar	44,398.84	29,892.66
Food	19,051.22	4,286.25
Bar Staff & Canteen Management	8,530.00	0.00
Closing Stock		
Bar	0.00	(2,844.78)
Merchandise	0.00	(1,600.00)
TOTAL COST OF GOODS SOLD	76,424.84	32,189.13
GROSS PROFIT FROM RETAIL SALES	\$25,003.55	\$26,236.28
	2007 \$	2006 \$
OTHER INCOME		
Rugby Revenue		
Subscriptions		
Player	59,809.00	55,509.29
Members	5,053.65	3,120.37
Golden Gallopers	1,750.00	2,700.00
Sponsorship		
Bartercard	21,818.18	0.00
Others	83,931.82	95,221.10
Grants		
QRU	107,000.00	93,333.34
Others	51,445.45	0.00
Sundry		
Prize Money	1,000.00	909.09
Functions & Fundraising		
Annual Dinner	7,072.72	11,527.30

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Auction Proceeds	8,917.84	16,418.18
Corporate Functions	74,227.26	42,389.63
Donations Received	1,440.00	1,370.00
Game Day Events & Functions	620.52	3,428.69
Golf Days	6,086.35	3,207.81
Minor Functions	0.00	1,209.09
Raffle Proceeds	5,899.44	8,327.28
Ticket Sales - Rugby Tests, etc	(179.95)	(1,828.73)
Team & Club Contributions		
GPS's Juniors	18,000.00	18,627.27
Valleys District Cricket Club	4,677.65	4,188.25
Miscellaneous Income		
Facility Hire	0.00	0.00
Parking & Admission	3,483.90	0.00
Sundry Income	59.55	156.53
Interest Received	671.17	0.00
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	462,784.55	360,772.68
TOTAL INCOME	\$487,788.10	\$387,008.96

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
EXPENDITURE		
Rugby Expenses		
Advertising	1,142.00	2,270.19
Affiliations Fees - QRU	295.45	200.00
Bad Debts - Player Subs	0.00	682.73
Coaching Expenses	2,845.00	5,911.00
Equipment & Ground Hire	171.00	0.00
Fees & Permits	0.00	2,500.00
Gifts	145.45	1,184.00
Insurance - Players	15,566.95	15,566.95
Jerseys & Football Clothing	36,112.23	36,787.36
Laundry Expenses	4,115.46	3,587.27
Match Day Expenses	8,545.29	12,258.40
Membership Cards & Assoc Costs	1,459.31	0.00
Medical Supplies	15,779.31	11,487.73
Photographs & Videos	3,949.00	5,120.92
Physiotherapists Fees	11,531.29	6,552.27
Premier Comp Functions	0.00	500.00
Recruitment Costs	182.63	196.76
Referee Payments	3,600.00	4,000.00
Refreshments & Sausage Sizzles	1,845.32	2,491.02
Salaries - Rugby Management	15,000.00	18,693.99
Subcontractors		
Development Officer	0.00	24,000.00
Strength & Conditioning Coach	5,780.00	6,240.00
Coach	7,000.00	0.00
Superannuation - Rugby Management	1,350.00	1,682.46
Training & Equipment Costs	5,925.98	5,593.65
Trophies	1,398.91	5,134.50
Admin & Fund Raising Costs		
Accounting Fees	4,661.25	4,003.50
Advertising & Promotion	1,176.91	54.54
Audit Fees	830.00	824.50
Bank Charges	2,311.80	2,361.87
Bartercard Fees	1,738.47	1,306.13
Borrowing Costs Written Off	174.82	114.06
Cleaning & Rubbish Removal	5,732.59	6,874.68
Clubhouse Supplies	703.76	132.73
Computer Maintenance & Support	2,754.56	1,492.83
Depreciation	14,179.95	4,830.41
Electricity & Gas	7,416.19	6,801.83
Entertainment for Functions	10,013.64	3,150.00
Equipment Hire for Functions	10,194.88	9,357.12
Fees & Permits	1,930.70	1,232.50
Freight & Couriers	280.45	90.00
Function & Events - Admin	2,354.28	1,667.94
Insurance - General	549.51	3,407.24
Interest Paid	327.07	277.66

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Minor Office/General Equipment	1,438.20	813.39
Postage, Printing & Stationery	5,206.39	5,712.19
Professional Fees	1,550.00	0.00
Purchases for Functions	63,356.96	48,854.20
Rates & Taxes	5,768.53	3,976.35
Rent - Ground Lease	1,447.09	1,409.41
Repairs & Maintenance		
Buildings	3,534.81	2,180.29
Grounds	5,714.12	7,529.47
General	2,731.95	3,123.58
Salaries - Administration	36,428.00	32,493.86
Salaries - LSL Provision	6,875.54	0.00
Security	446.65	540.00
Staff Amenities	600.00	600.00
Staff Training	0.00	240.00
Subscriptions	40.91	40.91
	2007	2006
	\$	\$
Sundry Expenses	187.63	446.34
Superannuation - Admin	3,306.12	2,743.92
Telephone		
Phone, Fax, Mobiles	7,472.82	10,051.91
Internet	938.95	792.29
Website Development	2,745.46	0.00
WorkCover	508.85	659.71
TOTAL EXPENSES	361,370.39	342,828.56
NET PROFIT	\$126,417.71	\$44,180.40

Balance Sheet as at 30th of September 2007

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash		
Cash at Bank - Bank of Qld	28,986.15	74,165.29
BQL Business WebSaver Account	35,634.41	0.00
Petty Cash	0.00	(20.00)
Total Cash	64,620.56	74,145.29
Other Current Assets		
Trade Debtors	5,254.00	4,762.90
Sundry Debtors	1,257.63	0.00
Sponsorship in Advance	1,898.60	0.00
Bartercard	34,786.09	30,984.68
VDCC - Cont to Ground Upgrade	2,927.00	0.00
Ground Debtors	2,333.63	1,122.05
Electricity Deposits	740.00	740.00
Prepaid Borrowing Expenses	106.25	281.07
Inventory on Hand - Drinks	0.00	2,844.78
Inventory on Hand - Merchandise	0.00	1,600.00
Total Current Assets	113,923.76	116,480.77
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant & Equipment		
Buildings - at Cost	108,069.49	108,069.49
Building & Ground Improvements	140,576.19	124,726.39
Accumulated Depreciation	(2,472.09)	(525.88)
Ground Equipment - at Cost	117,227.83	53,778.74
Accumulated Depreciation	(7,335.14)	(703.92)
Rugby Equipment - at Cost	24,939.77	22,580.68
Accumulated Depreciation	(2,779.72)	(654.33)
Furniture & Fittings - at Cost	38,771.45	38,771.45

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Accumulated Depreciation	(1,627.58)	(351.27)
Computers & Software - at Cost	11,809.62	11,809.62
Accumulated Depreciation	(5,516.86)	(3,431.34)
General Plant & Equipment	3,030.00	-
Accumulated Depreciation	(115.30)	0.00
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	424,577.66	354,069.63
Other Non-Current Assets		
Trophies - At Cost	1,034.69	1,034.69
Total Other Non-Current Assets	1,034.69	1,034.69
TOTAL ASSETS	539,536.11	471,585.09

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities		
Trade Creditors	5,961.76	18,513.24
Tour Funds	0.00	42,316.60
Income Received in Advance	0.00	7,446.81
Superannuation Accrual	1,109.52	521.46
BAS Liabilities		
GST Collected	13,615.10	14,485.50
GST Paid	(5,698.56)	(11,259.85)
PAYG Withholding Accrued	2,195.00	3,538.00
Total Current Liabilities	17,182.82	75,561.76
Non-Current Liabilities		
Loan - WRS Qld Pty Ltd (KooGa)	4,199.80	8,397.40
Loan - CapitalCorp Finance	1,546.38	4,639.14
Unexpired Interest - CapitalCorp Finance	(47.66)	(374.73)
Provision - Long Service Leave	6,875.54	0.00
Total Non-Current Liabilities	12,574.06	12,661.81
Total Liabilities	29,756.88	88,223.57
NET ASSETS	\$509,779.23	\$383,361.52

MEMBERS EQUITY

Members Funds	600.00	600.00
Retained Earnings	382,761.52	338,581.12
Current Earnings	126,417.71	44,180.40
TOTAL MEMBERS EQUITY	\$509,779.23	\$383,361.52

Great Moments from 2007



4th Grade Premiers 2007



3rd Grade Premiers 2007



6th Grade Premiers 2007