



**CENTRAL NORTHERN
RUGBY UNION INC
ANNUAL REPORTS 2015/2016**

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**CENTRAL NORTHERN RUGBY UNION INC
2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. PRESENT**
- 2. APOLOGIES**
- 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES** – Barraba, Sunday, 01 November, 2015
3:1 Business arising
- 4. Reports**
 - 4:1 President
 - 4:2 Secretary Treasurer
 - 4:3 Registrar
 - 4:4 Affiliated Clubs
 - 4:5 Central Northern Rugby Referees Association
 - 4:6 Central Northern Junior Rugby Union
 - 4:7 Senior & U20 Representative Team Coaches and Managers
 - 4:8 NSW Development Officer
- 5. Correspondence**
 - 5:1 Ron Mancell NSW Referees
 - 5:2 Michael Coffey – President North West Woman’s Rugby
 - 5:3 Late correspondence
- 6. Election of Office Bearers**
 - 6:1 Patron/s
 - 6:2 President
 - 6:3 Senior Vice President
 - 6:4 Junior Vice President
 - 6:5 Secretary/Treasurer
 - 6:6 Zone Registrar
 - 6:7 Publicity Officer
 - 6:8 CNRU Management Committee Appointee to CNRRA Appointments Board
 - 6:9 Judiciary Chairman
 - 6:10 Appeals Committee
 - 6:11 Delegates to NSW CRU
 - 6:12 Delegate to CNJRU
 - 6:13 CNRU U19 Coach/s
 - 6:13 CNRU U19 Manager
- 7. General Business**
 - 7:1 Notice of Motion
“That a working committee be established for Central Northern Colts”

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Objective:

To implement a complete package for younger players, transitioning into the senior rugby roster.

Aims:

- Implement strategies to involve more players
- Get viable teams organised to participate in colts competition
- To better cater for teenage players commitments
- Liase with all colts clubs regarding player numbers pre season

Mover: Dominic Shortis – CNJRU

7:2 Recommendation/s and report from 2016 Central Northern Strategic Workshop Visiob 2020 held at Barraba Rugby Club, 25 September 2016

7:3 To consider six (6) team semi final format for 2017

7:4 Woman's representative rugby in 2017 – NSW Country 15 a side Championships Foster Saturday, 25 March 2017. Country Championships Port Macquarie 29 – 30 April 2017 7's

7:5 Any other General Business

**MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL NORTHERN RUGBY UNION INC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT BARRABA GOLF CLUB, SUNDAY 01 NOVEMBER 2015**

PRESENT: Stephen Peake, Adam Cabot (BARRABA); Stuart Morrison, Sam Leys (GUNNEDAH); Peter Davidson (INVERELL); Simon Dunlop, Paul King (MOREE); Robin Findley, Daniel Kahl (NARRABRI); Stuart Prowse, Jim Brannigan (PIRATES); Charles Murray (QUIRINDI); Bob Davidson, David McCauley (SCONE); Sam Scott, Kevin Dickie (TAMWORTH); Sam Martin, David Ryan (WALCHA); Helen Cameron, Peter Burke (LIFE MEMBERS), Jim McBride, Darrell Jones (CNRRA); Garry Walsh (NSWRU); Tony Byrnes, Jenny Middlemiss, David Rodgers, Wayne McMahon (CNRU EXECUTIVE).

APOLOGIES received for the absence of Neil Warden, Simon Hood (CNRRA); Jason Elms and Kel Collier (PIRATES) were duly accepted.

AGENDA ITEM NO	RES NO	
3	AGM-15/1 AGM-15/2 AGM-15/3	<p>President requested that the meeting observe a minutes silence in memory of the late Stephen King and Mrs June Goldman</p> <p>MINUTES OF THE 2014 AGM, HELD AT BARRABA, SUNDAY 26 OCTOBER 2015 RESOLVED that the minutes of the AGM held at Barraba on 26 October 2014 be signed as a true and accurate record of that meeting</p> <p>Business arising: 3:1 Life Membership - Peter Burke RESOLVED that Peter Burke's Life Membership be confirmed as provided for in Rule 21 (a) on the CNRU Rules and By Laws. 3:2 CNRU Appointee to CNRRA Appointments Board. RESOLVED that the Zone makes representations to the CNRRA with a view to amend the CNRRA Constitution to recognise the CNRU appointee as part of the CNRRA Appointments Board which has been the understanding of the Zone and others for the past thirty years.</p>
4		<p>REPORTS: 4:1 President: President Tony tabled his first annual report and highlighted the following:- Tragdic death of Nick Tooth following the Quirindi v Narrabri game Failure of talks with New England on a possible combined competition Central North Referees Country Eagles game Barraba's 50 years celebrations Santos sponsorship Great coverage given our game by Sam Newsome of the Northern Daily Leader Work being undertaken by Bob Locke and others on the rewrite of the CNRU Rules and Competition By Laws. This is a work in progress and it expected to be completed in 2016.</p>

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AGENDA ITEM NO	RES NO	
	AGM-15/4	RESOLVED that the President's Report be received and noted
	AGM-15/5	<p>4:2 Treasurer:</p> <p>4:2 (a) Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2015.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2015 be received and adopted and forwarded to NSW Fair Trading - Form A12</p>
	AGM-15/6	<p>4:2 (b) Income and Expenditure to 29 October 2015</p> <p>RESOLVED that Treasurer's Report as at 29 October 2015 be received and noted and accounts paid amounting to \$24,119.58 be confirmed.</p> <p>Secretary/Treasurer made special mention of his appreciation to all Affiliated Clubs for their efforts during the year in regards to affiliation fees, the Zone contact list and the annual reports.</p>
	AGM-15/7	<p>4:3 Registrar:</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Registrar's report as presented be received and noted and he be congratulated and thanked for the professional manner in which he carried out his various duties during the season</p>
	AGM-15/8	<p>4:4 Affiliated Clubs:</p> <p>RESOLVED that all Club Reports be received and noted and that delegates be invited to speak to their individual reports:-</p> <p>Barraba ; Strong advocate of two tier system</p> <p>Gunnedah: As tabled</p> <p>Inverell: As Tabled</p> <p>Moree: As tabled</p> <p>Narrabri: As tabled</p> <p>Pirates: As tabled</p> <p>Quirindi: As tabled</p> <p>Scone: As tabled</p> <p>Tamworth: Congratulations to Narrabri as Major Premiers and Moree for hosting a great grand final day</p> <p>Walcha: AS tabled</p>
	AGM-15/9	<p>4:5 Central Northern Rugby Referees Association.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the CNRRA President's Report presented to the CNRRA AGM on Saturday 24 October 2015 be received and noted.</p> <p>4:6 Central Northern Junior Rugby Union - No report</p> <p>4:7 Senior and U 20 Representative Coaches and Managers Reports</p>

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AGENDA ITEM NO	RES NO	
5	AGM-15/10	<p>RESOLVED that the Senior and U20 Reports as presented be received and noted</p> <p>4:8 NSW Development Officer's Report: Garry Walsh spoke on the discussion paper that was circulating within the clubs and hoped that it would be given serious consideration as a means to improve the U 16 and U 18 competitions.</p>
		<p>CORRESPONDENCE:</p> <p>5:1 Tony Byrnes, nominating for the position of President. Proposed and Seconded by Robin Findley (NARRABRI) and Peter Davidson (INVERELL)</p> <p>5:2 Santos Limited, offering to expend their sponsorship to 2016 by extending the existing agreement for another year for \$25,000.00</p>
	AGM-15/11	<p>RESOLVED that the Santos Sponsorship be confirmed.</p>
	AGM-15/11	<p>5:3 NSW CRU Terry Woodward re unpaid National Participation Fees. RESOLVED that a better method for the collection of Junior Clubs NPF be worked out with CRU as CNRU has little or no contact with Junior Clubs in this Zone</p>
	AGM-15/12	<p>5:4 Senior Coaches Hunter Harley and Tom Cullen - Draft letter to 35 man Squad RESOLVED that the Zone supports the efforts by the Senior Coaches to get a commitment from the players but the date that the players have to notify of their unavailability be the commencement of the 2016 program and that the squad members be made aware of their responsibilities and their attention be draw to the consequences that been agreed to by the Zone:- viz "that if a player becomes unavailable next year without notifying the CN Committee stating their reasons by the commencement of the 2016 program, then that player will receive a two match suspension from the CN Club Season."</p>
	AGM-15/13	<p>RESOLVED that the Club Presidents be contacted with the request that they personally approach the players from their Clubs listed in the train on squad to encourage them to make themselves available for the 2016 representative season</p>
6		<p>ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS for 2015-2016</p> <p>6:1 President: Nominated Tony Byrnes Tony Byrnes elected unopposed</p> <p>6:2 Senior Vice President: Nominated Jennifer Middlemiss Jennifer Middlemiss elected unopposed</p> <p>6:3 Junior Vice President: Nominated Samuel Scott Elected Samuel Scott unopposed</p>

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AGENDA ITEM NO	RES NO	
	AGM-15/14	<p>ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS for 2015-2016 - Continued</p> <p>6:4 Secretary/Treasurer: Nominated David Rodgers David Rodgers elected unopposed</p> <p>RESOLVED that Wayne McMahon hold the fifth position on the Executive</p> <p>6:5 Zone Registrar: Nominated Wayne McMahon Wayne McMahon elected unopposed</p> <p>6:6 Publicity Officer: Nominated Jonothan Wicks Jonothan Wicks elected unopposed</p> <p>6:7 CNRU Appointee to CNRRA Appointments Board: Nominated Stuart Morrison Stuart Morrison elected unopposed subject to clarification of the role with the CNRRA.</p>
7	AGM-15/15	<p>6:8 Judiciary Chairman: Nominated David Cumming David Cumming elected unopposed</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Judiciary Chairman co ordinated the appointment of the judiciary members in consultation with the affiliated clubs. CNRRA appointed their representative Paul Hagley at their AGM on 24.11.2015</p> <p>6:9 Appeals Committee: Nominated Robert Locke, Chris Collins and Peter Burke Robert Locke, Chris Collins and Peter Burke elected unopposed</p> <p>6:10 Patrons: Nominated Helen Cameron, Chris Forbes and Peter Burke Helen Cameron, Chris Forbes and Peter Burke elected unopposed</p> <p>6:11 Delegates to NSWCRU: Nominated President and Secretary/ Treasurer as alternative. Tony Byrnes and David Rodgers elected unopposed</p> <p>6:12 Delegate to CNJRU: Nominated Sanuel Scott - Junior Vice President Samuel Scott elected unopposed.</p>
		<p>GENERAL BUSINESS</p> <p>7:1 Notice of Motion from Barraba General Meeting 02 August 2015 <i>"That as the two year trial for the Two Tier second round competition has ended that an extension of the Two Tier System be placed on the Agenda for discussion and consideration at the AGM"</i></p> <p>NOTE: The Minutes containing the Notice of Motion were forwarded to all persons affiliated clubs and bodies on the CNRU mailing list by email on the 6th August, 2015, thus giving 14 days due notice.</p>

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AGENDA ITEM NO	RES NO	
	AGM-15/16	<p>MOVED Stehhen Peake (BARRABA), SECONDED Charles Murray (QUIRINDI) <i>"That the Two Tier System as adopted at the 2014 AGM be continued for a further two years"</i></p> <p>RESOLVED that voting on the motion be by the way of secret ballot and that Peter Burke act a scrutineer</p> <p>RESULT OF BALLOT: FOR = 13, AGAINST = 9 The motion was lost as a two thirds majority (15 votes) was required for the motion to be carried</p>
	AGM-15/17	<p>RESOLVED that the ballot papers be destroyed</p>
8	AGM15/18	<p>7:2 2016 Competition Draw</p> <p>RESOLVED that the draws be circulated with Clubs to advise their preferred draw</p> <p>7:3 Sam Martin (WALCHA) suggested that the Zone investigate the introduction of a non contact sport for woman, e.g. Viva "7"s, netball to follow the the CNRU competition. Such an inovation could create a greater interest in more families being involved with the CNRU Competition.</p> <p>7:4 Level 2 coaching course was cancelled due to lack of interest. There in not one Level 2 accredited coach in Central North. Next course to be held in Bowral. Smart Rugby now on line.</p> <p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Sunday, 28th February 2015 - Barraba Rugby Club</p>

Central Northern Rugby Union Inc
Annual General Meeting
November 6, 2016
President's Report

Congratulations to Major Premiership winners in all grades. An outstanding Grand Final hosted by Pirates. Grand in many ways with a true community rugby atmosphere demonstrated by four quality games; a good crowd, despite the weather and great refereeing.

No silverware this year for our representative teams but the seniors managed to claw its way up a point in the Caldwell Cup rankings. Unfortunately it was the reverse for the 20's being relegated to the bottom tier. Thanks to the coaches, team managers, strappers, water runners and everyone else who contributed to a well organised and run campaign. Not forgetting the players who committed to the cause and put their bodies on the line.

Plenty of drama early in the season when forfeits were the order however all Clubs worked hard to put two senior teams on the paddock each week and in the main succeeded.

Plenty to do in the Colts area and it is hoped some work is done before the 2017 season to improve this situation. We cannot ignore the fact that a strong Junior and Colts program reflects the success or otherwise of the senior grades down the track. I refer you to the paragraph above to remind us all of this need.

Once again, thanks to Farrer Agricultural High School for contributing teams to our Colts competition and we look forward to a continuation of this relationship.

Congratulations to the Magpies in hosting the NSW Country Eagles in round three of the National Rugby Championships. A great day with the usual NRC style of rugby; played at great pace and thrilling to watch.

To top it off the Eagles chose Tamworth as their home ground for the Final of the NRC against the Perth Spirit with the Spirit winning that encounter in a tough game in which defence was the difference.

The game was held at the new Scully Park Sporting Precinct and has impressed both the Eagles and NSW Rugby so much that there are discussions occurring to bring more major rugby events to Tamworth in 2017.

I considered it an honour to work with all Clubs and affiliates throughout the year and I think we have a good 'team' to advance rugby in Central North. The Vision 2020 planning day held post competition I thought consolidated many views into a number of strategies to take us through the next four years and beyond.

We need to be open minded about how we can improve our competition and to look at ways of growing our Zone both in participation and Club numbers.

Thanks to the referees for again making our game possible and they were always up to any challenge we could throw at them. I look forward to a developing relationship through 2017.

As a Zone we need to work closely with CNRRA to improve recruitment and retention of referees.

Congratulations to Kath Little in taking out the Zone 2016 NSW Rugby Referee medal and I must acknowledge the outstanding contribution by Jim McBride who leaves his position as Chairperson of the Appointments Board to take life a bit easier. He will be a hard act to follow. Last I heard he was two wheeling around the countryside catching bugs on his windshield chasing the Easy Rider dream.

Santos again has been quick to confirm a continuation of its sponsorship of the Zone for 2017 and we hope to continue this great relationship. Our thanks must go to Santos for providing a level of support, without which the Zone would struggle to meet all of its commitments.

So, the two tier structure; how did it go? It is on the agenda for mention but from my perspective I have to say it worked well under the new format. We do not enjoy the luxury of enough Clubs to have a permanent two division competition but the arrangement this year provided an opportunity for any of the top 6 Clubs to have a second crack at the silverware. Both Quirindi first grade and Barraba reserve grade proved this to be so.

I thought the Judiciary was a little quieter this year which is always good and reflects the nature of our game. The Judiciary Chairman was always fair in trying to balance the scales of justice. However, we need always to be very conscious of the need to discourage all elements of un-sportsmanship behaviour both on and off the field.

NSW Rugby Development Manager Garry Walsh was as always like a whirlwind and to keep up with him was a challenge. His enthusiasm is astonishing but I did enjoy our few 'meetings' with him during the year. He has been a great source of information and support on all things Rugby.

I can't get away without mentioning the work of the Executive during the year. I received tremendous support from all of them and would like to thank them for this particularly on the odd occasion where I may have ventured along a shaky branch once or twice. They were my safety net.

I have to admit, still no new Constitution but failing action within the next month or so, we'll need to go elsewhere to get this job done.

So, where to from here? Later this morning I hope to again have the honour of being President of Central North Rugby Union Inc and what do I say but 'come away with me' on a new journey as we travel through 2017 together and boldly forge our own future.

Viva Le Rugby.

Tony Byrnes
President
Central Northern Rugby Union Inc

CENTRAL NORTHERN RUGBY UNION INC
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE, 2016

2014/2015

2015/2016

INCOME

50,000.00	Affiliation Fees		50,000.00
25,000.00	Sponsorship - Seniors		25,000.00
9,460.00	Referees Match Fees		1,010.00
250.00	Fines on Affiliated Clubs		-
4,837.66	Interest Received/Sundry Income		5,078.88
10,360.00	Finals - Narrabri & Gunnedah	9,694.00	
400.00	Gate Keepers	400.00	
9,960.00			9,294.00
19,807.70	Grand Finals -Narrabri & Gunnedah	23,227.95	
500.00	Gate Keepers	500.00	
19,307.70			22,727.95
118,815.36			32,021.95

Less: EXPENDITURE

2,370.50	Advertising & Promotion		1,283.60
53.00	Bank/Lodgement Fees		54.00
8,220.00	CRU Affiliation Fees		4,180.00
584.42	CRU Delegate Travel Expenses		169.00
612.00	CNRU Web site Design		330.00
1,592.50	Final Series Videos		2,227.10
	Public Liability Insurance		199.98
9,460.00	Referees Match Fees		-
2,620.50	Management Meeting Expenses		1,315.00
11,203.50	Playing and Dress Gear		10,674.49
300.00	Judiciary Meeting Expenses		-
135.95	Printing & Stationery		158.50
359.40	Telecommunications		359.40
3,013.70	Trophies and Presentations		3,007.50
40,525.47			23,958.57

GRANTS/DONATIONS

9,500.00	CNRU Junior Development		5,000.00
	CNRU Woman's Rugby		965.00
26,000.00	CNRU Referees Development		26,000.00
2,000.00	CNRU U17 Girls Rugby		2,500.00
37,500.00			34,465.00

HONORARIUMS

5,000.02	Zone President		5,000.00
5,000.02	Zone Secretary		5,000.00
5,000.00	Zone Registrar		5,000.00
1,000.00	Zone Treasurer		-
16,000.04			16,000.00

REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

19,111.92	CNRU Seniors and Under 20		25,107.46
19,111.92			25,107.46
113,137.43			99,531.03
5,677.93	EXCESS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE PERIOD		13,579.80
#####			113,110.83

CENTRAL NORTHERN RUGBY UNION INC

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 JUNE, 2016

2014/2015		2015/2016
	ACCUMULATED FUND	
120,832.96	Balance Brought Forward	128,272.14
7,439.18	Excess /(Decicit) for Year	13,579.80
128,272.14		141,851.94

Represented by:-

FIXED ASSETS

4,000.00	Equipment at Cost	4,000.00	
4,000.00		4,000.00	

CURRENT ASSETS

12,648.53	Commonwealth Bank	34,137.11	
104,438.46	CBA - Interest Bearing Deposit	109,503.73	
39,000.00	Sundry Debtors	27,500.00	
156,086.99		171,140.84	
160,086.99	TOTAL ASSETS	175,140.84	

Less: - Current Liabilities

27,564.75	Sundry Creditors	29,038.90	
4,250.00	Foundation Course Trust Account	4,250.00	
31,814.75		33,288.90	
128,272.24	NET ASSETS	141,851.94	

NOTES

AVAILABLE FUNDS RECONCILIATION

30.06.15		30.06.16
12,648.43	Commonwealth Bank - Trading Account	34,137.11
104,438.46	Commonwealth Bank - Interest Bearing Deposit	109,503.73
117,086.89		143,640.84
39,000.00	Add: Sundry Debtors	27,500.00
156,086.89		171,140.84
31,814.75	Less: Current Liabilities	33,288.90
124,272.14	Available Funds	137,851.94

Increase in Funds = 13,579.80

JDB Rodgers
SECRETARY/TREASURER
 30 June, 2016

CENTRAL NORTHERN RUGBY UNION INC

2016/2017 DRAFT INCOME & EXPENDITURE BUDGET

INCOME	2015/2016 DRAFT	2015/2016 ACTUAL	2016/2017 DRAFT
Affiliation Fees	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000
Sponsorship	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000
Referees Travel Fees	-	1,010.00	-
Fines on Affiliated Clubs	250.00	-	250
Interest received	2,900.00	5,078.88	2,950
Final	7,220.00	9,294.00	7,915
Grand Final	18,141.00	22,727.95	19,131
TOTAL INCOME	103,511.00	113,110.83	105,246
EXPENDITURE			
Advertising & Promotion	2,500.00	1,283.60	6,520
Affiliation Fees NSW Country Rugby Union	4,180.00	4,180.00	4,400
Bank/Lodgement Fees	53.00	54.00	60
CNRU Website Design and Maintenance	500.00	330.00	500
Final and Grand Final Videos	2,227.00	2,227.10	2,442
Honorary Zone Registrar	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000
Honorary Zone President	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000
Honorary Zone Secretary	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000
Honorary Zone Treasurer	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000
Judiciary/Appeal Committee Expenses	300.00	-	-
Playing/Dress Gear including Jerseys, Shorts, Sox,, Strapping, Hoodies and Polo Shirts - Seniors/Under 20	12,000.00	10,674.49	5,000
Junior Rugby Development	5,000.00	5,000.00	
CNRU Referees Development	26,000.00	26,000.00	
Grant - Central North U17 Girls	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Grant - Central North Womans		965.00	
Corporate and CNRU Management Meeting Expenses	1,000.00	1,315.00	1,500
Public Liability Insurance		199.98	225
Postage & P.O. Box rental	40.00	29.00	30
Printing & Stationery	200.00	129.50	200
Travel Expenses CRU Delegates	750.00	169.00	750
Telecommunications	500.00	359.40	350
Trophies & Presentations	3,100.00	3,007.50	2,311
Coaching Camps, Trial Games, Caldwell Cup-Seniors & U20	26,661.00	25,107.46	17,500
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	103,511.00	99,531.03	57,788
Estimated Surplus/(-Deficit)		13,579.80	47,458.00
	103,511.00	113,110.83	105,246

Accommodation/Meals/Travel Seniors & U20

Armidale - Country Championships - accommodation/meals	18,846.11
Trials - St George - Boarder Cup, Gunnedah v New England	4,450.75
Travel allowance Boarder Cup St George	1,810.60
	25,107.46

JDB Rodgers
TREASURER

**CENTRAL NORTHERN RUGBY UNION INC - TREASURER'S REPORT
BARRABA GENERAL MEETING, SUNDAY, 6 NOVEMBER, 2016**

Bank Balance 30 June 2016 - Barraba General Meeting, Sunday, 3 July, 2016

28,583.46

INCOME

DATE	RECEIVED FROM	DETAILS	AMOUNT
01.07.16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Interest Received	1.31
	Narrabri Rugby Club	Affiliation Fees	2,500.00
03.07.16	JDB Rodgers	Rebak Balance Cash Advance Country Championships	553.65
08.07.16	Scone Rugby Club	Affiliation Fees	2,500.00
19.07.16	Moree Rugby Club	2015/2016 Sundry Debtor - Affiliation Fees	2,500.00
01.08.16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Interest Received	1.15
29.08.16	CNRU Honorary Treasurer	2016 Final Net Receipts	7,915.00
01.09.16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Interest Received	0.93
02.09.16	Santos Limited	2015/2016 Sundry Debtor - Sponsorship	25,000.00
06.09.16	CNRU Honorary Treasurer	Grand Final - Net	17,821.00
	Narrabri Gugby Club	rebanked Float	<u>3,200.00</u>
09.09.16	Pirates Rugby Club	Grand Final - Pirates Sponsors & Guests	910.00
01.10.16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Interest Received	1.15
14.10.16	Santos Limited	Grand Final - Santos invited guests	400.00
01.11.16	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Interest Received	2.39
			<u>63,306.58</u>
			91,890.04

Less: Expenditure

DATE	FOLIO	CLAIMANT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
03.07.16	NetBank	Barraba Rugby Club	Catering CNRU Meeting 03.07.16	300.00
18.07.16	NetBank	Tamworth Florist	Floral Tribute McMahon Family	100.00
12.08.16	NetBank	NBN Limited	Final series TV contract advertising	2,420.00
22.08.16	NetBank	Fairfax Media	Advertisement 2017 Coaches and Managers	120.27
	NetBank	Barraba Rugby Club	Catering CNRU Meeting 07.08.16	<u>240.00</u>
				3,180.27

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BARRABA GENERAL MEETING, SUNDAY, 6 NOVEMBER, 2016

Less: Expenditure

DATE	FOLIO	CLAIMANT	DETAILS	AMOUNT
		Balance Brought Forward		3,180.27
22.08.16	NetBank	NSW Country Rugby Union	Affiliation Fees	4,400.00
24.08.16	NetBank	CNRU Honorary Treasurer	Cash Float - Gates Final Series	3,200.00
29.08.16	NetBank	Tamworth Trophy Supplies	Grand Final Medallions 4 Grades	616.00
29.08.16	NetBank	JK Daskey	Video + Discs - Final Narrabri	1,200.00
02.09.16	NetBank	Tamworth Trophy Supplies	Grand Final Trophies ans Engraving	1,622.40
06.09.16	NetBank	El Paso Motor Inn	Deposit Accommodation Port Macquarie CN Seniors CW	2,755.00
	NetBank	Folmac Video Productions	Video + Discs - Grand Final Pirates	950.00
13.09.16	NetBank	Tamworth Trophy Supplies	Pewter & engraving QRUC Co Coach	72.60
13.09.16	NetBank	Pirates Rugby Club	Grand Final - Reimbursement "Welcome to Country"	250.00
	NetBank	CNRRRA	2015/2016 Sundry Creditor - Balance 20158/2016 Development Grant	13,000.00
03.11.16	NetBank	Barraba Rugby Club	Catering Meeting 25.09.16	330.00
	NetBank	Pirates Rugby Club	Grand Final expenses after match water for players	42.00
	NetBank	Tony Byrnes	Part payment Honoraria to 31.10.16	1,666.67
			<u>496.81</u>	
	NetBank	Wayne McMahon	Travel & Accommodatiion Exps - CRU AGM	2,163.48
	NetBank	JDB Rodgers	Part payment Honoraria to 31.10.16	1,666.67
			Part payment Hmoraria to 31.10.16	1,666.67
			<u>488.90</u>	
			2015/2016 Sundry Creditor	2,155.56
				<u>37,603.98</u>
			Commonwealth Bank of Australia Bank Balance as at 3rd November, 2016	54,286.06
			Commonwealth Bank of Australia Interest Bearing Deposit	109,503.73
			AVAILABLE FUNDS AS AT 6TH NOVEMBER, 2016	<u>163,789.79</u>

JDB Rodgers

SECRETARY/TREASURER



Central North Rugby Zone 2016 Registrar Report

Senior Registrations

Club	Player			Non-playing		
	2016	2015	Change	2016	2015	Change
Scone	89	70	19	0	0	0
Inverell	76	76	0	2	0	2
Tamworth Pirates	75	69	6	14	11	3
Moree	72	72	0	5	3	2
Quirindi	71	70	1	0	0	0
Gunnedah	70	70	0	2	5	-3
Narrabri	67	80	-13	3	1	2
Walcha	63	40	23	5	1	4
Tamworth	59	75	-16	5	0	5
Barraba	58	55	3	0	0	0
Central North Zone	0	0	0	3	0	3
	700	677	23	39	21	18

Colts - report not possible due to mixture of all age grades in most clubs

Senior Grade forfeits by round by club

Round	Grade	Bar	Gun	Qui	Sco	Total
1	2nd Grade	1	1		1	3
2	2nd Grade	1			1	2
3	2nd Grade				1	1
4	2nd Grade	1			1	2
5	2nd Grade	1			1	2
6	2nd Grade	1				1
7	2nd Grade	1			1	2
8	2nd Grade			1		1
9	2nd Grade				1	1
9	First Grade				1	1
10	2nd Grade				1	1
11	2nd Grade		1			1
Total		6	2	1	9	18

Senior Grade forfeits received by round by club

Round	Grade	Bar	Inv	Mor	Narr	Pir	Qui	Tam	Wal	Total
1	2nd Grade			1	1	1				3
2	2nd Grade		1			1				2
3	2nd Grade	1								1
4	2nd Grade		1	1						2
5	2nd Grade			1			1			2
6	2nd Grade						1			1
7	2nd Grade							1	1	2
8	2nd Grade		1							1
9	2nd Grade				1					1
9	First Grade				1					1
10	2nd Grade							1		1
11	2nd Grade	1								1
Total		2	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	18

2015 - 6 reserve grade forfeits plus Walcha no reserve grade = 13 less games played in reserve grade

2016 Central North Competition Results

First Grade

TEAM	P	W	L	D	F	A	Df	4T	7P	Pts	R9
Pirates	14	11	2	1	545	171	374	12	2	60	
Narrabri	14	11	1	2	396	210	186	9	0	57	
Moree	14	9	4	1	382	276	106	7	1	46	
Walcha	14	9	5	0	325	261	64	7	0	43	
Inverell	14	7	7	0	395	284	111	7	3	38	
Quirindi*	5	5	0	0	123	41	82	3	0	23	15
Tamworth*	5	4	1	0	142	70	72	4	1	21	18
Barraba*	5	3	2	0	150	76	74	4	2	18	11
Gunnedah*	5	2	3	0	101	161	-60	2	0	10	13
Scone*	5	1	4	0	116	144	-28	3	0	7	5

* See Tier 2 Round 1 ladder below

EF: Moree 38 def Quirindi 21

EF: Walcha 33 def Inverell 15

QF: Pirates 40 def Narrabri 12

QF: Moree 41 def Walcha 24

PF: Narrabri 18 def Moree 17

GF: **Pirates 66 def Narrabri 19**

Second Grade

TEAM	P	W	L	D	F	A	Df	4T	7P	Pts
Moree	14	13	1	0	461	175	286	13	1	66
Pirates	14	12	2	0	474	166	308	10	1	59
Tamworth	14	10	4	0	390	195	195	9	1	50
Narrabri	14	8	6	0	378	224	154	10	1	43
Inverell	14	7	7	0	278	261	17	6	3	37
Barraba	14	6	7	1	207	277	-70	5	0	31
Gunnedah	14	5	9	0	312	363	-51	6	1	27
Scone	14	5	9	0	172	320	-148	5	0	25
Walcha	14	4	9	1	219	450	-231	6	1	25
Quirindi	14	4	10	0	240	420	-180	5	0	21

EF: Tamworth 19 def by Barraba 20

EF: Narrabri 44 def Inverell 8

QF: Moree 12 def by Pirates 14

SF: Narrabri 24 def Barraba 20

PF: Moree 23 def Narrabri 20

GF: **Pirates 15 def by Moree 29**

Under 18's:

TEAM	P	W	L	D	F	A	Df	4T	7P	Pts
Tamworth	15	13	1	1	535	243	292	13	0	67
Barraba	15	10	4	1	469	256	213	12	1	55
Pirates	15	10	5	0	567	305	262	13	1	54
Narrabri	15	6	9	0	324	432	-108	8	2	34
Q Sco Gun	15	5	10	0	253	492	-239	5	0	25

SF: Pirates 41 def Narrabri 36

SF: Tamworth 7 def by Barraba 48

PF: Tamworth 24 def by Pirates 52

GF: **Barraba 43 def Pirates 19**

Under 16's:

TEAM	P	W	L	D	F	A	Df	4T	7P	Pts
Barraba	15	12	2	1	557	140	417	11	0	61
Tamworth	15	9	3	3	549	264	285	10	0	52
Pirates	15	8	4	3	554	254	300	10	0	48
Narrabri	15	7	7	1	442	388	54	8	0	38
Inverell	15	3	12	0	264	539	-275	5	1	18
Q Sco Gun	15	2	13	0	95	876	-781	2	0	10

SF: Pirates 32 def Narrabri 19

SF: Barraba 7 def by Tamworth 17

PF: Barraba 50 def Pirates 0

GF: **Tamworth 14 def by Barraba 15**

*First Grade Tier 2 at Round 9

TEAM	P	W	L	D	F	A	Df	4T	7P	Pts
Tamworth	9	3	6	0	197	220	-23	4	2	18
Quirindi	9	3	5	1	165	278	-113	1	0	15
Gunnedah	9	2	6	1	117	271	-154	2	1	13
Barraba	9	1	8	0	223	252	-29	2	5	11
Scone	9	1	8	0	89	471	-382	1	0	5

First Grade x 5

Second Grade x 3

Colts x 2

Club Championship Table

TEAM	1st Grd	2nd Grd	U18s	U16s	Total
Pirates	300	177	108	96	681
Tamworth	195	150	134	104	583
Narrabri	285	129	68	76	558
Barraba	145	93	110	122	470
Moree	230	198	0	0	428
Inverell	190	111	0	36	337
Quirindi	190	63	50	20	323
Walcha	215	75	0	0	290
Gunnedah	115	81	0	0	196
Scone	60	75	0	0	135

First Grade - Major Awards

Major Premiers	Award Title	Winner
First Grade Tier 1	Heath Shield & Santos Cup	Pirates
2nd Grade Group 1	Croft Cup	Moree
U18s	Reg Kelly Shield	Barraba
U16s	Don Ewing Trophy	Barraba
Minor Premiers		
First Grade Tier 1	Treloar Cup	Pirates
2nd Grade Group 1	CNRU Cup	Moree
U18s	Croft Shield	Tamworth
U16s	Cornish Shield	Barraba
Club Champions		Pirates
CNRU Coach of the Year	Bruce Etheridge Shield	Nick Rees - Quirindi
CNRU Best and Fairest	Treloar Shield	Matthew Wannan - Moree
CNRU Best and Fairest Under 21	Richard Cameron Memorial Shield	Jake Packer - Narrabri
President of the Year	Presidents Cup	Charles Murray Quirindi
Services to Rugby	Prime Television Trophy	David Onus - Moree
Central North Referee of the Year		Kath Little
Highest Points Scorer	no award	Ben Carrigan - Moree

First Grade - Highest Point Scorers

Player	Club	Total Points	Tries	Conversions	Penalties	Field goals	Points per match	Matches Played
Carrigan, Ben S	Moree	138	3	36	17	0	8.6	16
Cain, Michael J	Narrabri	128	5	35	11	0	9.1	14
Moodie, Andrew	Pirates	95	3	40	0	0	6.8	14
Newton, Simon C	Walcha	89	3	13	16	0	11.1	8
Clarke, Simon	Inverell	89	5	17	10	0	6.4	14
Starr, Conrad A	Pirates	80	16	0	0	0	8.0	10
White, Luke	Barraba	73	4	19	5	0	9.1	8
Lewis, Dylan M	Inverell	71	8	14	1	0	5.1	14
York, Jeremy L	Barraba	65	13	0	0	0	8.1	8
Knight, Henri W	Narrabri	60	12	0	0	0	7.5	8

First Grade - Best & Fairest

Player	Club/Organisation	Total Votes	Num. Matches votes received in
Wannan, Mathew J	Moree RUFC	16	7
Churchill, Edward P	Walcha RUFC	15	6
Schwager, Matthew	Narrabri RUFC	13	5
Simkin, Toby A	Quirindi RUFC	12	6
Starr, Conrad A	Tamworth Pirates RUFC	12	5
Robinson, Luther	Inverell RUFC	11	5
Ioasa, Amos	Tamworth Pirates RUFC	11	4
Hughes, Peter J	Gunnedah RUFC	9	5
Halanukonuka, Tomuhine S	Walcha RUFC	9	3

2016 Central North Infringements Summary - all grades

RED CARD by Club and Grade	Mor	Nar	Pir	Bar	Tam	Gun	Inv	Sco	Wal	Qui	Total
First Grade	2					1					3
2nd Grade	1						1				2
Under 18's		1	2								3
Under 16's		2		2	2						6
Grand Total	3	3	2	2	2	1	1				14

RED CARD by Reason by Club	Mor	Nar	Pir	Bar	Tam	Gun	Inv	Sco	Wal	Qui	Total
2 x Yellow Card							1				1
Dissent	1		1								2
Lifting tackle		2		1	1						4
Other dangerous play	1			1		1					3
Striking/Punching/Fighting	1	1	1		1						4
Grand Total	3	3	2	2	2	1	1				14

RED CARD by Club - 2015	Mor	Nar	Pir	Bar	Tam	Gun	Inv	Sco	Wal	Qui	Total
Total	2	4	2	3	3		2	2		1	19

YELLOW CARD by Club and Grade	Pir	Tam	Bar	Nar	Mor	Inv	Qui	Wal	Sco	Gun	Total
Row Labels	Pir	Tam	Bar	Nar	Mor	Inv	Qui	Wal	Sco	Gun	Total
First Grade	15	4	6	6	4	3	4	6	4	2	54
2nd Grade	5	10	3	6	7	7	1	3	2	1	45
Under 18's	11	5	5	4			4				29
Under 16's	3	3	5	3			1				15
Grand Total	34	22	19	19	11	10	10	9	6	3	143

YELLOW CARD by Reason by Club	Pir	Tam	Bar	Nar	Mor	Inv	Qui	Wal	Sco	Gun	Total
Dangerous charge (no arms)	2		4	3			1	1			11
Dissent	3	4		1			1	1			10
High Tackle	3	1	3	1		2		1	2		13
Intentional infringement (cynical)	3	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	11
Lifting tackle	4	2	2	2	2			2			14
Other dangerous play	5	3	5	5	1	3	4		2	1	29
Repeated infringement (individual)	1	2			1	2	1	2		1	10
Repeated infringement (team)	6	8	3	3	1	2	1	1			25
Striking/Punching/Fighting	7	1	1	3	5	1	1		1		20
Grand Total	34	22	19	19	11	10	10	9	6	3	143

YELLOW CARD by Club - 2015	Pir	Tam	Bar	Nar	Mor	Inv	Qui	Wal	Sco	Gun	Total
Total	30	17	12	22	15	8	8	2	14	10	138

Club F2F Rugby Link session.

When: Monday 6 February 2017 6-8.30pm

Where: Tamworth – venue to be advised

By who: Amy Alagna and Steve Frost from the ARU

What: The presentation will cover:

1. General Admin & Member Records
2. Getting Ready for Registrations
3. Performing Competition Administration Tasks
4. Creating & Using Reports

The ARU also have some additional functionality being released as part of Rugby Link Version 3 which will increase participant and administrator experience. They want to ensure clubs maximise this opportunity. Key attendees will include Club registrars, treasurers and other committee members that are interested.

Enter Player Scores/Incidents/Injuries

Season Round Grade

Central North Zone - First Grade
Round GF - Sat 3 Sep 2016 (3:00PM)
def

Pirates **Narrabri**

Venue: Chillingworth Oval Match ID: 3340808
Match Officials: Not specified

Entering information for:

Player Scores | **Player Incidents** | Player Injuries

[+ Add New Injury](#)

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Match Sheet - replace Box for Uncontested Scrums with Serious Injury Box?.

Wayne McMahon ▾ | Waicha RUFC ▾

Competition Participation

Home Tasks Tools People Registrations Online Forms Programs Communications Reports Help

Incident Report [Help on this topic](#)

Season Round Grade Date From Date To

Grade	Round	Home	Away	Date	Club	Player	Shirt No	Category	Reason	Season Total
First Grade	12	Inverel	Waicha	23-Jul-16 03:15	Waicha RUFC	Blomfield, Edward A	2	YELLOW CARD	Lifting tackle	2
First Grade	6	Pirates	Waicha	04-Jun-16 03:15	Waicha RUFC	Halanukonuka, Tomuhine S	10	YELLOW CARD	Dangerous charge (no arms)	1
First Grade	8	Barraba	Waicha	25-Jun-16 03:15	Waicha RUFC	Fletcher, Ross J	1	YELLOW CARD	Repeated infringement (individual)	1
First Grade	9	Waicha	Moree	02-Jul-16 03:15	Waicha RUFC	Elliott, Dougal	9	YELLOW CARD	Lifting tackle	1
First Grade	EF	Waicha	Inverel	14-Aug-16 02:00	Waicha RUFC	Rose, Thomas J	5	YELLOW CARD	Repeated infringement (individual)	1
First Grade	5F	Moree	Waicha	21-Aug-16 02:00	Waicha RUFC	Blomfield, Edward A	2	YELLOW CARD	Intentional infringement (cynics)	2

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Incident reports are available at club level.



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Barraba Rugby Report 2016.

A great year for Barraba Rugby in 2016 with increased player interest and a renewed energy and vigor around the club.

Firstly we would like to congratulate the Pirates club on winning the premiership and the club championship.

Congratulations to all other clubs who were successful in finals and our Central North executive, who kept the ship smooth sailing and a special thanks to our referees and officials for the season.

Congratulations to our junior sides on a fantastic year of rugby culminating in grand final success for both the 16s and 18s sides.

Our first and reserve grade were competitive, with the reserve grade making into to the finals.

Farrar played under our Barraba banner again, and this seemed to work well with Barraba players getting good exposure. This certainly gives more players exposure to consistent rugby.

We believe in maintaining the current tiered competition has helped maintain us as a competitive smaller Club. It certainly maintains more interest from a club with less player numbers.

The first-grade finals concept this year seemed to work, as with any new concept they need analysing after the year.

Finally. I congratulate the Zone executive for having "The future of Zone' brain storming meeting.

I believe we are blessed to have such a committed rugby enthusiast within our ranks as Garry- Walsh.

We look forward to the 2017 season.

Yours Sincerely
Barraba Rugby President
Stephen Peake

Presidents Report –Gunnedah Rugby 2016

In my first year as President of Gunnedah Rugby Club in our 125th year many great things were achieved.

We celebrated the biggest and best ball Gunnedah Rugby has ever seen welcoming back many old faces for the night. The ball was a huge success with the good vibes towards the club after the ball as good as a grand final win.

For the first time for many years, the players took more ownership and got involved in several aspects as in working bees, running the kitchen and catering for several events. It has been great to see a lot of the younger players taking more pride in their club. The players are working towards an exciting pre season trip playing in America at the beginning of next year. It has been nice to see them reap rewards towards their trip with all their hard work.

This year several improvements were made to our club such as refurbishment of the bar area, a brand new till system, stairs to the scorers box and repairs to our grounds. All of this would not be possible without the support from all our wonderful and loyal sponsors and members. On behalf of the club I would sincerely like to thank all these people for their loyalty, help and support.

The results on the field were not as good as we would have liked with player numbers down and lack of depth effecting what we could achieve on the field. Our coach Jason Waera did a magnificent job rallying the troupes' and working with what he had. He also helped put our Second grade side on the paddock as well, week in and week out. We look forward to Jason coaching again next year with increased numbers and depth.

Looking towards 2017, we have some exciting things to look forward to. In December of this year, we have been lucky enough to secure Michael Cheika as our guest speaker for The Sportsman's Lunch which is a sell out already. Also next year we are planning to hold an event called "A Day on the Field" which will involve live music and food stalls which we hope will be a huge success and may become an annual event.

As far as the players group goes Ian McArthur and Mike Hennessy have been busily recruiting over the last few months and the signs are looking very promising for both junior and senior ranks. We look forward to results from their hard work on the field next year.

In my year as President, I would like to sincerely thank my fellow board members for all their hard work and support and I am very proud of what we have achieved in this last year. I have great confidence that we can achieve more and improve on what we done this year.

Finally, a big thank you to John Perkins and his team for their continued hard work towards maintaining the grounds and surrounds of our club. The club would not regularly look as good as it does without John and his team's hard work. Also a thank to our great bar staff, under the guidance of Chrissie Kleinshafer, for all their wonderful efforts, week and week out during the year. Thank you everyone for your support.

Yours sincerely

Bruce Hockings



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3 November 2016

As outgoing president of the Inverell Rugby Club it has once again been rewarding to be involved in the Central Northern competition in 2016. I thank the zone administrators and the other nine clubs, as I believe there has been a 'whole zone' approach to the challenges facing us and country rugby in general.

Inverell just made the cut to be in the top tier mix, and would like to congratulate the other clubs in the way they approached the season and the finals series. Of course the premiers the Tamworth Pirates deserve most acknowledgment for being the stand out first grade side in the second half of the season.

Whilst the second tier competition is ticking boxes and was reinvigorated by the inclusion of team six in the finals series, I think that the tiered competition as a whole would benefit if a greater number of clubs could somehow be involved.

Like many CN clubs Inverell grappled with the difficulties of fielding reserve grade and colts sides in 2016. These problems can no longer simply be passed off as being cyclical, and it's time to recognise that major changes may be necessary. We must also bear in mind how much repeated vacant game slots can damage the stronger CN clubs and the code in general within the zone.

Now at the end of the three year term I would like to introduce and welcome the new Inverell president in Josh Phillips, who was elected at our recent AGM. Josh would be the first to admit that he is on a steep learning curve, but brings energy and experience gained through his involvement in other successful rugby clubs. The Inverell Rugby Club committee has a perfect balance of youth that I believe will help it contribute and achieve even more in 2017.

Peter Davidson
Immediate past president IRFC



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Presidents Report 2016

It has been a successful season for the Moree Rugby Club with First grade finishing third in the top tier and Reserve grade as Minor Premiers for a fourth season in a row.

First grade bowed out of contention with a hard fought narrow loss to Narrabri in the final whilst, Reserve grade managed to keep their premiership hopes alive with another close win over Narrabri at the same venue. The reserve grade side went on to win the grand final and become premiers. A great achievement.

Both teams have persevered with a difficult competition structure that made it a struggle for coaches to maintain numbers at training. Forfeits were our worst enemy and a changing competition draw also hindered preparations at training on a number of occasions.

Despite all of this our teams have performed very well and the players have every right to be proud of what they have achieved this season.

From an overall viewpoint of the current competition structure, it was difficult for us as a club. The draw coincided with a number of events in Moree and this made it difficult for us to get good crowds and community support. Without our sponsors this year we would have suffered financial losses.

As a zone we need to be looking forward to providing continuity of games for all players. Without this happening we will see a gradual slide in numbers of games. The introduction of juniors at our club has become a priority and we are making progress with this. Sponsors have come on board and we are being proactive in the schools to try and create junior teams for our club.

The vision 20 20 meeting that was held recently was an excellent idea and forum. We need to follow this up and instigate change now before it is too late. As a zone I hope we take on board these new ideas and try to become more dominant as a sport in this region.

Paul King
Moree Rugby Club President



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31 October 2016

Central North had another successful season. Well done to all the finalists and of course the winners. Congratulations to Tamworth, Pirates and Narrabri as the only three clubs to have all four grades.

We have to improve on this however and come up with an answer as to why there is only three clubs plus Farrer supplying 16 and 18 year old players. One suggestion would be to encourage TAS to join Walcha and McCarthy to join Quirindi. Most of the young kids are in Tamworth, so would it be possible to limit pirates and Tamworth to a squad of 25 players and try to encourage another team in Tamworth?

The two tier system seems to work OK, however I do not believe it's acceptable for a club to have a first grade team in the top tier if they don't supply a reserve grade side. I also think Scone experiment has failed. They came in on the basis they supplied two junior teams and now find it difficult to provide two senior teams. It's nothing against Scone Rugby Club. I am sure they are doing their best, but distances are too far. What 16 year olds parents are going to get up at five in the morning to get a team to Inverell by 10:30am? Better off playing the Colts on No 2 oval at 3pm with firsts.

Crowd behaviour is of utmost importance, as are the ground marshal's. It is very difficult to not have the power base in Tamworth as that is our regional centre, but the warning lights are flashing red, let's not end up like group 4.

Regards

Robin Findley

President

Narrabri Rugby Club

Pirates Club Report 2016

Pirates Rugby Club would like to acknowledge the hard work and many hours of commitment made by both the Central North Committee and management in the coordination and administration of a very successful Central North 2016 Rugby Union competition.

Pirates Rugby Club would like to congratulate all clubs who participated throughout the season, the finals series and particularly the Grand Finalists for participating in and showcasing Central North Rugby on the grand final day of which we had the honour of hosting.

We would also like to congratulate the referees who gave up their time during the year to officiate the games and again in particular those who were on ground for the grand finals. As president of the hosting club I am still receiving positive comment about the atmosphere, quality of rugby and officiating on the day.

I would like to pay respects to Brian "Bimbo" Sampson who proudly officiated the "Welcome to Country" at the grand final however has sadly passed away since at a young age.

Pirates this year entered 4 teams, one in each Central North competition, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, Under 18 and Under 16.

Overall we had a successful year on the paddock with all four grades being represented in the final series, three sides having the opportunity to contest the Grand Finals in their respective grades with our first grade side successful in regaining the much sort after Heath Shield by way of the major premiership from the very committed reigning premiers Narrabri Blue Boars.

Our reserve grade side finished runners up to a very strong Moree Reserve grade side who had set the benchmark in that grade all year. Congratulations to the Bulls for a hard fought victory.

Also our 18's were runners up to a very good Barraba/Farrer side in a fast paced entertaining game.

As a club we were also very proud to regain the Club Championship which is a mantle we treat with great respect and a good gauge to how we are travelling as a whole.

Pirates' senior teams this year had a large percentage of our juniors in the ranks and we look forward to season 2017 as another opportunity to consolidate our junior programs and guide these young players into our senior grades.

Pirates are continuing in the development of their home ground both in surface quality and facilities. Some major structural changes are underway (albeit slowly it seems) which should benefit the needs of Pirates, Central North and the Tamworth community into the future.

I would like to thank my hard working executives, committee, coaches, players and volunteers for the huge amount of work they undertake throughout the year plus our extremely passionate supporters who make it all worthwhile.

We wish Central North Rugby success in season 2017.

Yours in Rugby.

Stuart Prowse

Pirates President 2017

President's Report – Quirindi Rugby Club – 2016

2016 has been a very enjoyable and successful year for the Quirindi Club. The club celebrated its 60th year with a reunion of many former players and supporters. It certainly demonstrated what rich fabric rugby has created in the Central North Area.

We believe that the shortened competition was a great success, especially for the smaller clubs. In the second round, all clubs in the 2nd tier were in contention for the semi final spot, and the shortened season allowed us to field competitive teams, by keeping injuries to a minimum. While there may be further adjustments to the two tier competition, we will continue to support the shorter season format.

Regards,

Charles Murray

Quirindi Rugby Club



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Presidents Report

Firstly congratulations to all premiership winning teams this season, Pirates in 1st Grade, Moree in 2nd grade and both Barraba/Farrar sides in the 18's and 16's. It is great to see the highly competitive level of rugby being played in our zone every week. The newly adopted format of the 2 tier structure I believe was successful and I look forward to the vigorous discussions around this subject in the upcoming zone meetings.

2016 was an extremely difficult year for Scone on the field. Player numbers were so low that at the beginning of the season we were unable to field a 2nd grade side and the lack of numbers made it very difficult to field a 1st grade side some weeks due to injuries and availabilities. Our club welcomed Luke Bailey on board this year as 1st grade coach and despite the problems he experienced throughout the year the committee was impressed with the progress he made with the playing group. Luke and the Scone committee are committed to fielding two competitive grades in 2017 our anniversary year and we appreciate the help we have received from the Central North zone this year.

I look forward to the ongoing discussions around the many interesting ideas tabled at the zone progression workshop and look forward to helping the zones growth and a successful year of rugby in 2017.

Bob Davidson

SRUFC President