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FROM THE EDITOR

with Philippa Ivory



I'd like to start this month by thanking everyone for their wonderful contributions to this magazine. From around the country I have received stories about teams, clubs, games and tournaments.

Local newspapers have been kind enough to let us reproduce articles of interest to the wider league community and many photographers have allowed us to reproduce their work as well. In fact we have received so much content that for the first time I have started to put aside next months stories already.

I'd also like to thank those people who took the time to send in their nominations for Volunteers of the year and especially Grassroots Club of the year. There are some clubs doing great work out there and you can read about just some of that this month on pages 22 and 23.

Then there are the people who turned their hand to Mascot design. Not everyone could draw, so some of you just emailed in an idea explained in words, while others went all out and sent pictures with detailed instructions as to what each part of the Mascot should be made of and how it should all fit together. Very impressive and I am sure the judges will enjoy reviewing all the submissions.

In this edition we've dedicated a number of pages to the National Secondary Schools tournament. It was quite an undertaking with 16 schools with squads of 20+ players, team managers, trainers, support staff, NZRL staff, scouts, sponsors and partners, media and school supporters all involved during the week.

As you can imagine the week required a lot of organisation, planning and teamwork on and off the field. We've had excellent feedback about the tournament, and about the extra activities organised for the players, all of which will help us to do an even better job in 2012.

Well done to all the schools which took part, especially the championship finalists St Paul's College and overall winners Otahuhu College, the Cup winners Mt Albert Grammar, the Plate winners Tangaroa College, and the Bowl winner Aranui High School, who travelled all the way from the South Island to attend the tournament.

There is further coverage including the final placings of all the teams on our website here www.nzrl.co.nz/national-secondary-schools. Lots of people took candid photos during the week and these have been loaded to our Facebook page www.facebook.com/NZLeague, so if you were there you might want to have a look at these.

With the international season starting in just three weeks in Rarotonga. We'd like to wish all the players a healthy finish to their club season and every success in the upcoming test matches. Go the Kiwis!



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Cover: Otahuhu College celebrate their golden point win.

CEO'S UPDATE

"the Monster Draw raffle comes to a close with 30,000 tickets sold, and over a hundred thousand dollars raised for grassroots rugby league."

It's the time of year when the rugby league community celebrates its successes and this year we've had a lot to celebrate.

At the National Secondary Schools tournament in Auckland, Viliami Lolohea of Otahuhu College performed consistently all week and went on to win the MIT Most Valuable Player award. A new talent was identified in Codie Christiensen, of Fraser High School, Hamilton who was named the Warriors Emerging Talent. Phoenix Peau, also from Otahuhu College kicked 20 goals throughout the week and won the Bill Sharp Golden Boot. Along with Roger-Tuivasa Sheck who won the It's Not OK! Fairplay award, these are just some of the players who stood up and were noticed, on page nine of the magazine you will see all the players who won awards. Congratulations to all the schools and players who took part in this excellent tournament week.

In England two NZ players stood out in the Challenge Cup final, Thomas Leuluai, who scored his teams final try and Jeff Lima who won the Lance Todd Man of the Match award. Both have represented NZ at the highest level and continue to lead by example in the UK. Well done to them both and to Rangitikei who this week was named in the 2011 Super League Dream Team. It is great to see so many NZ players performing so well so far from home.

The NRL held its Dally M awards in Sydney last week, and Kiwis Captain Benji Marshall came a close second for the highest honour, and was named the Five Eighth in the team of the year.

The NRL follow the Dally M's with the One Community awards and this year we have a number of nominees in these also: Sir Peter Leitch the NZRL and League 4 Life

with Jim Doyle



Patron has been nominated for the prestigious Service to the Community award while fellow New Zealanders Dean Halatau (Bulldogs), Jerome Ropati (Warriors) and Benji Marshall (Tigers) have all been nominated for the Ken Stephen Medal which recognises a player who has demonstrated outstanding community service.

Last month we called for nominations for three of our NZRL awards - Male and Female Volunteer and Grassroots Club of the year. We were disappointed not to have received more nominations as we know there must be lots of people who volunteer and deserve recognition for their efforts. While the nominations we did receive are of a high standard we would encourage you to send in many more next year. The judging panel will meet in the next couple of weeks to decide the winners of these three categories, as well as selecting winners for a number of other awards including Kiwi and Domestic Player of the year.

I'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate the many award recipients at clubs and districts across the country. Well done on your efforts this year.

As I write this the Monster Draw raffle comes to a close with 30,000 tickets sold, and over a hundred thousand dollars raised for grassroots rugby league. Thank you all for your support with this, whether you bought a ticket or sold a hundred your contribution is appreciated. In 2012 we will run the Monster Draw earlier in the year to assist clubs and teams with their fundraising before the season kicks off. Lastly a big thank you to our various partners who contributed prizes, without them it wouldn't have been possible for our clubs to benefit and I encourage you to support them whenever you can.

Jim

NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL RUGBY LEAGUE NATIONALS DAY ONE

The tournament opened with a Powhiri at Papakura High School Marae, and was followed by an official opening in the school hall. Speakers included the NZRL Football Manager Tony Kemp, NZRL High Performance Manager Ruben Wiki and Vic Tamati from the 'It's Not OK!' Programme. The players heard about the importance of fair play and were reminded that while they would be commended for playing hard, they were expected to play fair and to display good sportsmanship while on and off field.

Kasey King, Counties Manukau Zone General Manager said, "The 'It's Not OK!' presentation was excellent. Vic was well worth hearing; he gave a fascinating talk and held nothing back about how he'd turned his life around. I know the players who go on to take part in the Leadership Programme on Tuesday will get a lot out of it."

The players then moved to Bruce Pulman Park, where they had a professional team photos taken before they headed off to prepare for their games.

All 16 teams played their Round One matches in front of a vocal and supportive crowd of friends and family.

NRL accredited player agents were joined on the sidelines by the four tournament selectors, who named a tournament Merit Side at the awards evening on the Thursday.

The Vodafone Warriors were at the ground as the first games got under way, and as well as signing autographs etc for players, family and friends they took time to watch some of the tournament matches.



NZRL Football Manager Tony Kemp said "It's been a fantastic first day, the atmosphere and the spirit in which the footy has been played is awesome."

"We'd especially like to acknowledge all the teams who've come from outside Auckland and a special thank you to Rangitoto College who stepped in at the last moment to field a team when another school had to pull out."

For daily results please see our website www.nzrl.co.nz/national-secondary-schools



NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL RUGBY LEAGUE NATIONALS DAY TWO

All sixteen teams played their second round games in the morning, with the afternoon set aside for coaching clinics.

During breaks in the games the crowd heard from a number of speakers including representatives from NZ Police, 'It's Not OK!' and Drug Free Sport.

Match Officials had come from around the country to officiate at the tournament, and while there completed a number of workshops to share knowledge and best practice.

Match Official AJ Purnell from the Bay of Plenty said "Having the chance to learn from others is invaluable and I've got heaps out of the workshops. The tournament is really well run, it's a great format, the players and the football being played are fantastic, so disciplined and real quality. Having match managers and proper crowd control and everything, you can really see that it's more than just a game."

After lunch the tournament players took part in position-specific coaching clinics with a number of Kiwis. Stacey Jones talked to the players about the nature of their position then with the assistance of Tony Kemp ran skills sessions with them.

A group worked with Richie Barnett, who stressed the importance of communication in their role and had the players run backline drills to test and improve theirs.

Logan Swann talked to his group about fitness, reminding them about the increasing speed of the game, and outlining ways they might improve their own before getting them up and moving.

Monty Betham had his hookers up and talking as well as running, while Jerry Seuseu and Ruben Wiki shared a group and had them run through two different sets of drills.

Jerome Ropati took his players through some tackling techniques designed to cope with players who can step and players who can pass.



Papatoetoe players chase Manurewa player (with ball)

The younger players said they really enjoyed the experience of working with the Kiwis and took a lot from what they had to say. The Kiwis also got a lot from it, with Monty Betham saying he'd really enjoyed the opportunity to work with the games future and having the chance to give something back. Logan Swann agreed saying he was most impressed with the player's attitudes, their discipline and willingness to learn.



L to R: Sam Pham, Kevin Opele and Karl Vasau watch a haka before kick off.



Monty Betham, standing on right, addresses the group

NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL RUGBY LEAGUE NATIONALS DAY TWO CONTINUES



During Tuesday evening four players from each team attended a Leadership Workshop run by Vic Tamati and Lua Maynard from 'It's Not OK!'. The focus of the workshop was to create leaders to share anti bullying and anti violence messages, and to prepare the players to present these messages at Primary schools the following afternoon.

Vic said he was honoured to have been involved in the tournament and to have the chance to work with the players in this way. He said "It is magical that the NZRL could put on a tournament like this and involve the campaign in this way. Together we can build better, stronger and safer men."



After listening to Vic (left) players brainstormed & then wrote what they thought fair play looked like on and off the field before posing for a group photo.



NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL RUGBY LEAGUE NATIONALS DAY THREE

The third day of pool play was just as busy as the first two days, and with one team held up on their way to the ground all the focus was on the first match of the day Tangaroa College v Tokoroa High School.

Tangaroa lead at half time 10 – 8 but the final score was a draw 20 – 20. This saw Tokoroa through to the semi final Championship round as they hadn't been beaten with two wins and a draw, while Tangaroa went through in the Plate section finishing behind Southern Cross in their pool.

A highlight of the day was a visit by Local MP and Police Minister Judith Collins who came to watch Papakura High School play Mt Roskill Grammar in their final pool game. Ms Collins said that she couldn't miss the opportunity to show her support for Papakura, who are based in her electorate, while seeing how her husband's old school Mt Roskill Grammar got on.

"It's fantastic to be able to come to this tournament in Papakura, which we want to make the heart of Rugby League in South Auckland. It's been wonderful seeing everyone having fun, and the commitment and talent of the players, their drive to succeed is just excellent."

Papakura High School won 40 - 6 giving Ms Collins bragging rights at the dinner table that night.

After the pool games the players from the Leadership Group went to visit local Primary schools. There the leaders spent time with the children sharing messages about anti bullying, anti violence and 'It's OK to Ask for Help', and emphasised team work and fair play.

Feedback was very positive, Nicole from Edmund Hillary Primary School said "I am just emailing to compliment Marc Harris (NZRL Referees Manager) and the boys from St Johns College rugby league team They were great and our children really enjoyed it. It is always wonderful to have positive role models visit our children and we really appreciate it! Thanks."

Willie Iosia, Recreation Coordinator, Auckland Council describes his experience, "I took the four Leaders from Papakura High School to Takanini Primary school. It's been wonderful to see these young leaders, they're so enthusiastic. The kids we took to the school loved it, and the primary school kids loved it too. We talked to the kids, took them outside for some fun skills and drills then did some Q & A with the kids about the It's Not OK! programme and then gave away some balls, a wonderful experience."



NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL RUGBY LEAGUE NATIONALS DAY FOUR

There was a busy day of semi finals matches, during which Kiwis captain Benji Marshall rang and spoke to the teams and their supporters via a mobile phone and the ground announcer's microphone. He wished all the competing teams every success, and encouraged them to play hard and play fair and do themselves, their schools and families proud.

In the evening the Otara Leisure Centre was the venue for the tournament awards function. Hosted by Stephen McIvor the awards evening was buzzing with excitement as everyone looked forward to the finals day and enjoyed the opportunity to acknowledge the success of others.

All the speakers congratulated the players on their approach to the tournament both on and off the field, with their focus on fair play and respect for themselves and others. Everyone agreed that the tournament had been a great success, well run and a hugely positive experience for everyone involved, and all were keen to return.

Vic Tamati from 'It's Not OK!' spoke about the pleasure he had had during the week, watching the young men playing rugby league and also working with them off field. Brendon Crompton from NZ Police agreed, adding that league players make great police officers and he encouraged them to consider the Police as a career.

The guest speaker for the evening was Brian 'Bluey' McClennan who shared with the players his thoughts on how to take their talent and turn it into success, reminding them that talent will only take them so far and that to truly be successful they will need to work hard, surround themselves with good people and make sensible choices.

Garry Carnachan, of the NZ Secondary Schools Council spoke, congratulating the players on choosing sport and choosing school sport. He said they would make friends for life and by choosing sport they were learning respect, to never give up and that if you want something you have to work at it, which were great lessons for life. He added further congratulations to the players for choosing to

play rugby league, the fastest growing sport in Secondary Schools.

He told the audience that New Zealand Rugby League was leading the way in its approach to treating the sport as more than just a game and that this was especially evident at the tournament, with its role models, skills sessions, leadership programmes, school visits and the involvement with It's Not OK!



Gary Carnachan



Vic Tamati



Willie Iosia, Recreation Coordinator, Auckland Council



Brian McClennan and Stephen McIvor

NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL RUGBY LEAGUE NATIONALS TOURNAMENT AWARDS

It's Not OK! Fairplay Award

Roger Tuivasa-Sheck, Otahuhu College

Samurai Match Official of the Tournament

Jamal Thompson, Auckland

Passion, Integrity and Guts Award (Awarded to a player in each team)

Aorere College	Viliani Kaveinga
Aranui High School	Shayde Turner
Fraser High School	Rei Tipa
Manurewa High School	Toetu David
Mt Albert Grammar	Connor Mau'u
Mt Roskill Grammar	Metia Lisati
Otahuhu College	Viliani Lolohea
Papakura High School	Kristopher Smithson
Papatoetoe High School	Kardia Siaki
Rangitoto College	Aaron O'Toole
St John's College	John Ross
St Paul's College	Viliani Maloni
Southern Cross College	Fred Palea
Tangaroa College	Miro Atera
Tokoroa High School	Yannis Mea
Wainuiomata High School	Joshua Kohika

Warriors Emerging Talent

Codie Christensen, Fraser High School

Bill Sharp Golden Boot

Phoenix Paeu, Otahuhu College

Best Haka - Southern Cross College

NZ Secondary School Rugby League Nationals Tournament Team

1	Roger Sheck	Otahuhu College
2	Fine Faingaa	Aorere College
3	Vili Iloahefaiva	Otahuhu College
4	Viliani Lolohea	Otahuhu College
5	Pharoah Tumupu	St Paul's College
6	Axl Kingi	Tokoroa High School
7	Kauri Aupouri-Puketapu	Wainuiomata High School
8	Samuel Lisone	Tangaroa College
9	Matthew Halalilo	Southern Cross College
10	Vincent Afoa	Otahuhu College
11	Miro Atera	Tangaroa College
12	Sione Feao	Otahuhu College
13	Tala Mamea	Southern Cross College
14	Christopher Satae	St Paul's College
15	Metia Lisati	Mt Roskill Grammar
16	Tyler Tane	Wainuiomata High School
17	Matthew Shortland	Papakura High School

Coach of the Tournament

Tama Teaukura, Tokoroa High School

Manager of the Tournament

Kylee Matenga, Wainuiomata High School

Trainer of the Tournament

Kams Delana, Southern Cross College

Manukau Institute of Technology Tournament Most Valuable Player

Viliani Lolohea, Otahuhu College



Roger Tuivasa-Sheck



Codie Christensen & the Warriors Dean Bell



Kylee Matenga

NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL RUGBY LEAGUE NATIONALS DAY FIVE

After a week of exciting competition, the crowd at Bruce Pulman Park were ready for a blockbuster finals day and the football didn't disappoint.

Players in all the finals worked hard for each other, trying to the last to do right by their team mates, schools and families.

The Grand Final was played in almost perfect conditions, the field was immaculate, and supporters from both Otahuhu College and St Paul's, defending champions, were on hand to enjoy the game.

St Pauls scored first, when Sione Maasi (No.15) scored a try which went unconverted. The dummy half David Ryan was the next to score and his try was converted by half back Jamon Peua, taking the score to 10 - nil. Joshua Tafili, the centre scored next and it was 14 - nil and looked like St Paul's were on track for their eight win in a row.

Otahuhu fought back strongly, with tries to lock Jacob Paulo, and fullback Roger Tuivasa-Sheck both converted by the five-eight Phoenix Paeu. At half time the score was 14 - 12 to St Paul's College.

After half time St Paul's came out hard and fast and scored a try through Christopher Safae (No. 14).

When this was converted by Jamon Peua, and a penalty was kicked by Semisi Havili (No.16), the score was 22 - 12 and it appeared another fight back by Otahuhu was unlikely.

However Otahuhu had other ideas and started to make impressive metres and tries were scored by second rower Sione Feao and centre Viliami Lolohea and when Phoenix Paeu kicked a conversion the score was tied at 22 all and the hooter had gone.

After a short break, play resumed and Otahuhu attacked St Paul's line. St Paul's defence held firm and they took the ball down the other end but couldn't cross the line.

Otahuhu brought the ball back hard and fast and when the right wing Watson Heleta kicked through

the line everyone held their breath. The ball bounced his way and Otahuhu scored the golden point match winning try.

It was an outstanding game, played in a fantastic spirit and both teams had a lot to be proud of. While St Pauls were understandably disappointed with the final result, they handled themselves with great dignity at the after match presentations.



NZ SECONDARY SCHOOL RUGBY LEAGUE NATIONALS DAY FIVE

Following the Grand Final, Sasho Stosic, NZRL's Operations Manager thanked everyone for their exemplary behaviour throughout the tournament, and congratulated all the teams for their performances throughout the busy week.

NZRL Referees Manager, Marc Harris thanked all the Match officials and Match Managers for their work and presented all the finals day match officials with a gift from Samurai Sportswear.



The final two tournament awards were also presented. The Bill Sharp Golden Boot award went to Otahuhu College's Phoenix Paeu, who kicked 20 goals throughout the tournament. The Manukau Institute of Technology Most Valuable Player of the Tournament award was presented to Viliami Lolohea, Otahuhu College who won the award with 9 points. The runner up was Fine Faingaa from Aorere College with 8 points.

As well as five days of football, the players had enjoyed a number of off-field activities including a Leadership programme, primary school visits, a visit from Minister of Police Judith Collins, visits to the Warriors facilities and coaching clinics with Kiwis.



Antz Akavi & Marc Harris

Fair play has been a focus for the players involved in the tournament, and there were many examples of this on field with winning teams offering support to losing teams at the end of games. The captains of the tournament teams took the time to sign the Rugby League pledge (above) and commit to the New Zealand Rugby League values of Integrity, Respect, Leadership, Courage, and Passion.

The tournament finished in the best possible way, with an excellent final which offered everything and everyone agreed they are looking forward to next year already.



Emma Beale M.T. with Viliami Lolohea, MVP



Phoenix Paeu receives the Golden Boot from Scott Carter

NATIONAL COMPETITION 2011

After three rounds of competition, the South Island Scorpions have played the Wellington Orcas and the Northland Swords in Christchurch and travelled to Huntly to play the Waicoa Bay - Upper Central teams.

The Swords opened at home before travelling to the South Island and then returning home to take on the Wellington Orcas, who've only had one game at home so far.

Counties Manukau Stingrays who started the season understandably full of confidence having had three teams in the 2010 finals, were a little surprised to find themselves on the back of a first round loss when their Premier team, leading at half time lost to the Central Vipers 16 - 30 in Clive in the Hawkes Bay.

The Waicoa Bays teams were on the receiving end of the Stingrays bounce back losing to them in all three grades in Round Two.

Auckland Pride had their first home games in Round Three and despite terrible weather continued their first round success with three wins.

Also in Round Three the Waicoa Bays 15s and 17s teams were unable to be separated from the South Island Scorpions with draws in their matches and the Northern Swords celebrated a close win over the visiting Orcas in the 15s.

The National Competition offers the best Zone players the chance to travel and test themselves against the best from across the country, and to see smaller Zones like the Swords get up to win, and Upper Central and the South Island battling for supremacy shows just how close the competition is.

One of the aims of the National Competition is to find and nurture talent wherever it is based. Last year the competition opened with Hearts Camps, bringing all the potential players in a Zone together. The players underwent fitness testing, drug and alcohol education and there were

workshops for the management teams to ensure they knew what was expected of them during the competition. This was repeated in 2011, giving the Zone GM's a chance to see how this years players measured up against last years.

Rob Wakelin, Northland Zone GM was quick to praise his players for their improvement in fitness and skill levels on the previous year. The Northern Swords 15s showed that they have indeed made great progress by beating the visiting Wellington Orcas.

In 2010 the Wellington Orcas 15s made the grand final, and even though some of that team have made the step up to the 17s this is still a very positive outcome for not only the Northern Swords but also the National Competition itself.

Another aim of the National Competition is to ensure that players understand that no matter where they come from they can, if they wish, pursue their league career further. The first step to achieving this is to be selected for their Zone team, the second is to perform well enough with their team to be considered for selection to the 16s and 18s NZ Residents teams. From there, opportunities are available to those who are prepared to work hard.



AUCKLAND PRIDE V MID CENTRAL VIPERS

By Pat Carthy, Auckland Zone GM

The Pride hosted the Vipers at Cornwall Park on Sunday September 12. While not quite tornado weather, conditions were not far off it and reminded many of the brave souls who ventured to the games, the underfoot conditions of Carlaw Park in its heyday with mini lakes appearing and of course the seagulls.

Despite the prevailing weather all three games were played with commitment. Prior to going into the games, all three Pride coaches emphasised to their teams that the Vipers could not be taken lightly and they needed to be treated with respect and the visitors did not disappoint, especially the premiers who were only behind 6 -12 at the break.

Despite the final score lines, the Vipers showed they will continue to improve as the competition progresses.

At the respective post match functions, Pride players were made aware of the geographical obstacles their opposition teams had to overcome just to assemble each week, raising a few eyebrows.

For the Pride there were some stand out performances with Richard Timoti taking out the 15s player of the day, Kouma Samson the 17s having scored four tries with his performance and for the premiers Soape Kavaliku was the recipient.

The Pride now is away to Wellington this week and to the Greymouth in the South Island the following before taking on Counties Manukau for the early bragging rights of the District.

Check the NZRL website www.nzrl.co.nz/national-competition/competition-news for the latest news from your Zone.



NATIONAL COMPETITION 2011

CODE CHANGE LEADS TO SOUTH ISLAND 17S

By Wayne Martin, The Nelson Mail

Nelson College's Quade Dearman has completed a rapid if unexpected transformation from winning rugby player to winning league player.

Originally from Christchurch but now living in Rai Valley, the former Marlborough and Nelson Bays age-group rugby representative played centre in Nelson College's winning under-16 team this season. But after missing selection in the Nelson Bays under-16 squad, he decided to follow his father's advice and try his luck at league.

Father Shane has a background in league, having played first grade in Australia, and when his former Canterbury links presented Quade with an opportunity to trial for the South Island Scorpions team to contest this year's national under-17 competition, Quade jumped at the chance. "With that door closing another door opens," said Quade.

After four weeks of travelling back and forth to Christchurch for trials Quade was selected on the wing in last weekend's opening 40-38 win over the Wellington Orcas 17s in Christchurch and also contributed a try.

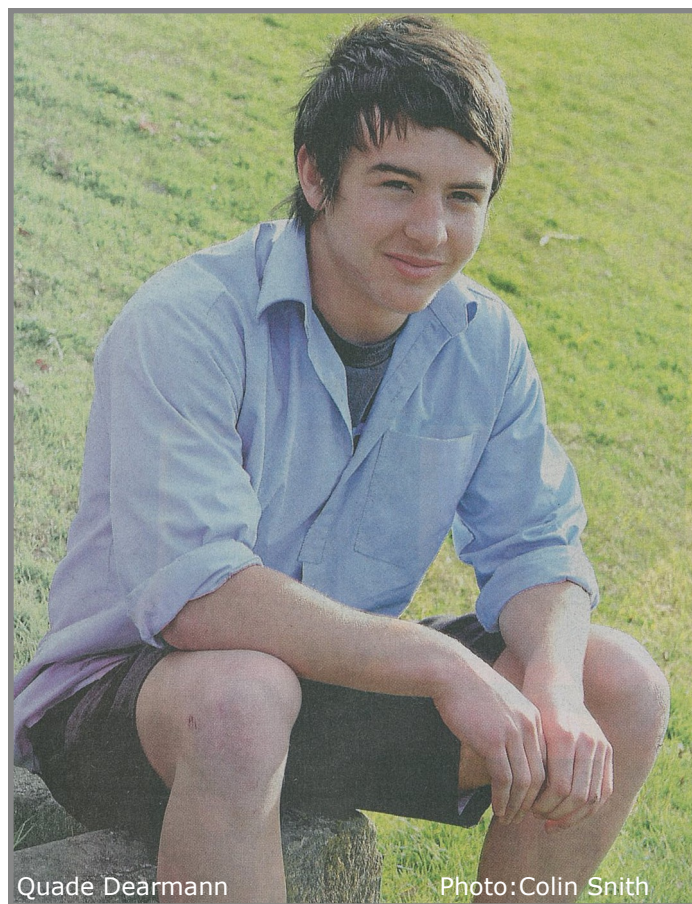
Quade, who turns 16 on September 12, is the only Tasman player named in the Scorpions squad and at 1.65m and 71kg, is smaller than most of his opposition who typically weigh in at around the 100kg mark.

He's also the Tasman under-16 100m and 200m sprint champion with a best time of 11.5sec for the 100m. So it's speed and agility, not brute strength that singles him out as genuine representative material. He said that size wasn't a major concern for him. "Personally, it's not really an issue," he said. "I do go to the gym and try and put on a bit of size, a bit of weight. But I've got speed and agility on my side. Instead of running into them and running them over, I'm more running around them or evading them."

Hearing his name called out provided him with a real boost. "I was fairly surprised, just being the new boy and the coaches [Mike Culley and Mike Doreen] didn't really know me and with the league centered in Canterbury, most of the team didn't really know me, so yeah, it was a decent surprise.

"But I had a fairly decent trial, so I wasn't expecting not to get in, but getting in was still really exciting."

He's back in Christchurch this weekend for the Scorpions' second-round clash with the Northern Swords at Denton Oval on Sunday, with a further four rounds to follow.



Quade Dearman

Photo: Colin Smith

NORTHLAND STARS SUPPORT THEIR ROOTS

By Rob Wakelin, RL Northland

Rugby League Northland has embraced its current crop of NRL stars to lend their names to three newly established competitions.

Adam Blair, Sam McKendry and Elijah Taylor each had no hesitation in agreeing to the move, resulting in clubs and colleges in Northland now competing for the Adam Blair Trophy (RLN Secondary Schools competition), Sam McKendry Shield (RLN 17s grade) and the Elijah Taylor Cup (RLN 15s Grade).

Rugby League Northland General Manager Rob Wakelin said the initiative was to illustrate the opportunities available to young Northland players, "Its not so long ago these three guys were running around in Northland - often playing alongside some of our current Northland players - and look at them now!"

"Adam is a true-blue superstar of the game, Sam an established and admired NRL player and Kiwi and Elijah has an amazing record with the Warriors 20s and is now cementing his spot as a first-grade player with a huge future ahead of him."

On Sunday August 14, Elijah and Sam McKendry's mother Rae Sowter were on hand in Moerewa to present the inaugural winners their trophies after the 15s and 17s grade finals - a special moment for Elijah in particular as he saw his hometown Kaitia take both honours.

Addressing the players after the match both Elijah and Rae had messages for players and parents alike, "Talent will get you so far", said Elijah, "But hard work gets you there"

"I grew up in Owata where we had no power, so if I can make the NRL, any of you can!"



Rae Sowter passed a message from Sam to "Follow your dreams", and stressed the importance of parents giving their children every opportunity, as the pleasure gained from seeing them achieve made it all worth it.

The Elijah Taylor Cup and Sam McKendry Shield saw eight new teams take the field - seeing teenage grade football return to Northland for the first time in many years.

The Adam Blair Trophy commences in late August, with a further eight teams ready to battle for college supremacy.



TAINUI CELTIC INAUGURAL RUGBY LEAGUE MATCH

By Pat Dennis, Chairman Celtic Sports Club

Saturday September 3, 2011 saw Tainui Rugby League and Celtic Nga Hau E Wha play an inaugural U13 Rugby League match at Coronation Park.

They impressed everyone with their grass roots enthusiasm and skill coupled by great support from the coaches and crowd alike.

The game was free flowing affair with Tainui going into half time with a 10 point lead. It was to the credit of a seasoned Junior Referee, Mr Alan Hempel who played advantage and very rarely blew his whistle.

He had good control of the game and the respect of the players and crowd through his use of advantage and explanations to offending players when penalties were given.

This year has seen the resurrection of these two old clubs and it pleasing to see the support that they received on Saturday.

It has been a long time since Coronation Park has seen Saturday morning Junior Rugby League and it is hoped that this is the start of something good for Junior Rugby League here in the Manawatu.

Tainui showed that they are a team to be wary of as they ran out the winners 38 – 12.

It is pleasing to go to a match and watch a game where the supporters are so well behaved. This display bodes well for Junior Rugby League in Manawatu and shows that Rugby League is working hard on improving sideline behaviour across the country.



Tainui in the Orange, Black and Yellow with Celtic in the Green and White.

TAURANGA NINES INTRODUCES LEAGUE

By Len Reid, Upper Central RL

We had a Primary and Intermediate School 9 aside tournament in Tauranga on Wednesday August 17. Sixteen teams attended on a cold but fine day.

This was the tournaments third year and is used as an introduction to Rugby League. Up to 80% of the participants have not played league before and it has been such a success that it has now become an annual event which is put into the Primary School Calendar in Western Bay of Plenty at the beginning of each year. Pleasingly each year more schools are entering.

The Tauranga Intermediate team which won the year 7 & 8 section also play in the local under 13 grade on Sundays (they play as a school team) which is a first.

Leading into the Tournament all the schools which register are visited and trained in Rugby League and the Safeplay code.

Te Akau Ki Papamoa won the year 5 & 6 section and Tauranga Blue won the year 7 & 8 section.

The feed back from schools has been very positive and the tournament is a great advertisement for our game.



Papamoa in the hoops



Presentations



It's a try!



Tauranga Intermediate School - winners year 7 & 8 section

NZRL FOUR NATIONS PROMOTIONAL ITEM WINS AUSTRALASIAN AWARD

BRONZE AWARD

COMPANY NAME: JPS MARKETING LTD

CLIENT COMPANY NAME: New Zealand Rugby League

ENTRY: Four Nations Rugby League 2010 Clap Banners

The New Zealand Rugby League (NZRL) wanted a stadium give away that would help maximise presence for a key sponsor for the Four Nations Rugby League 2010 as well as acting as a crowd pleaser and a sales incentive.

JPS Marketing Ltd was asked to produce a highly recognisable merchandise item for fans to interact with during the game, and drive seats sales to a traditionally slow part of the stadium via a 'fan zone' with a free promotion.

The Clap Banner "ticked all the boxes" which provided a perfect combination of strong sponsor recognition, low cost and fan interaction.

JPS Marketing Ltd designed striking artwork, a strong slogan and even found room for the words to the NZ National Anthem in both Maori and English.

Fans were given the Clap Banner when they purchased the special promotional seating, resulting in the game being a total sell out and a huge success for the client and the sponsor. The cheer, or rather distinctive applause, contributed not only as a media drawcard but a sales incentive that provided exceptional, low budget results.

WHAT THE CLIENT SAID

"The clap banner put our sponsor's branding right in front of recipients and gained primary TV spots after the Kiwis scored! The results were a fantastic cut-through with visibility to over 100,000 game attendees and 1.5 million TV viewers globally."

WHAT THE JUDGES SAID

- An innovative, low-cost, effective product.
- Great branding area – maximum exposure for the client!
- A great audible promotional product.
- Good free media for any kind of message – a definite media attention grabber!
- Fantastic results overall.



Checked Product Production

New Zealand Rugby League were very pleased to hear that JPS Marketing won an award at the 2011 Australasian Promotional Products awards with the Four Nations Rugby League 2010 Clap Banners. They won Bronze in the Creativity in Locally Stocked Product Production.

On the night JPS Marketing also won Gold in the Australasian Made category for Vodafone Australia Man of the match Ashes series cricket bat and another bronze in the Non-profit or Charitable Organisation Promotion for Southern Cross Healthcare Merchandise. As there are only 11 Categories and many entries, for JPS Marketing Ltd to win three awards is a huge effort.

Peter from JPS Marketing said " JPS Marketing are so proud to have won these awards but we appreciate that without your ongoing briefs and support we would not get so far!"

KIWI ELECTED TO COUNCIL

By Tui Bromley, Greymouth Star

Former New Zealand Rugby League captain Tony Coll claimed the vacant Greymouth central ward seat with a clear majority in the Grey District Council's postal by-election, counted on Saturday September 3. The former Greymouth businessman received 556 votes to head off two former councillors, Mick O'Donnell (450) and Doug Griffin (390). The seat became vacant in June with the sudden resignation of Glenn Morgan, just nine months into the job.

Mr Coll, who has been the council's delegate to the West Coast Primacy Health Organisation (PHO) for the past three years, said today he was looking forward to getting his feet under the council table, "After 24 years in business I think that I have got a feel for what the community expects of its council and, now that I have time on my hands, feel that I have something to offer," he said.

"It's no good sitting on the sidelines criticising — you have to be prepared to put your name forward." He was surprised to win by a majority of 106. "I thought that I was in with a chance but the field was strong with three ex-councillors there, so it was nice to have a bit of a buffer."

Kiwi No 503, Anthony 'Tony' Coll was named an NZRL Legend of League in 2007. Playing in the second row he played 30 tests for the Kiwis, including three World Cups from 1972–1982, scoring four tries and kicking a goal.

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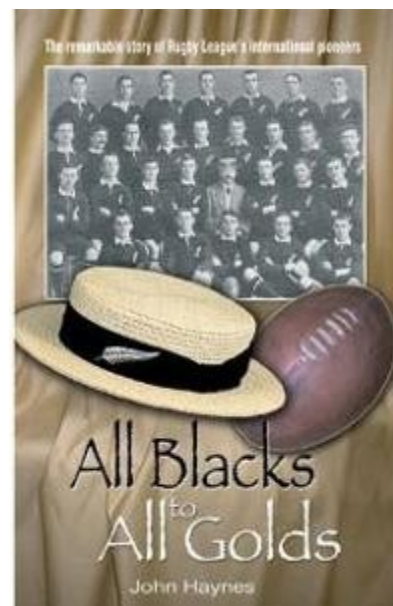
OUR HISTORY FEATURES AT UK LITERARY FESTIVAL

A team of New Zealand rugby players - destined to become known as the 'All Golds' - embarked upon a five-month tour of England and Wales. Reviled by the rugby union establishment, both at home and abroad, the tourists were men ahead of their time.

Led by the remarkable Albert Henry Baskerville and including such now legendary figures as Dally Messenger, Lance Todd and George Smith, this party of true international sporting pioneers was about to change the world of rugby forever.

Author of the book 'All Blacks to All Golds' which charts the history of that tour, John Haynes is joined by sports historian Tony Collins and Lesley Vainikolo Kiwi No. 676 at The Times Cheltenham Literature Festival.

They will present a panel discussion on Thursday October 13, and tickets are on sale now. Visit the festival website here www.cheltenhamfestivals.com/find-events/literature/I252-the-birth-of-rugby for details.



YORKSHIRE LEAGUE CLUB GIVE PIKE DONATION

By Laura Mills, Greymouth Star

A rugby league club in the heart of a Yorkshire coal mining community which has suffered its own disaster, has donated more than \$4000 to the Pike River Mine relief fund. The Doncaster Rugby League Football Club is owned by Carl Hall, the son of former Auckland wing Len Hall, who played for Mt Albert, the Junior Kiwis and for the Canterbury side that famously beat Auckland in 1987.

Carl Hall moved to the United Kingdom in the late 1980s and signed for Doncaster. He now owns the club. Doncaster and Greymouth are both rugby league and coal mining towns. In an e-mail, he said although based on the other side of the world his thoughts were with the families who lost their loved ones in the Pike River tragedy.

The club's first game of the season was against South Wales on March 13, and \$2 from every paying adult was donated to the West Coast fund. "Doncaster, along with Wales, are mining towns ... a very similar incident happened here in Doncaster in November 1931, where 45 miners lost their lives," Mr Hall said.

The Bentley Colliery disaster was in November 1931, when "an explosion of firedamp" resulted in the death of 45 men and boys, the youngest only 17. At the time of the explosion there were about 1000 miners underground.



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per person from	\$1799*	\$147*	\$2543*	\$294*	\$1762*	\$138*



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LEAGUE 4 LIFE LAUNCHES LOCALLY By Katie Wylie, Counties Manukau DHB

Three Counties Manukau rugby league clubs will be among the first in the country to trial a health promotion and sports sector programme never before delivered in New Zealand.

A pilot of the League4Life programme will this year be delivered at three clubs in Counties Manukau, one in Auckland and four in Waitemata. The three Counties Manukau clubs are Manurewa Marlins, Howick Hornets and Mangere East Rugby League.

The programme, the first of its kind in New Zealand, links the health sector with the sports sector by partnering with rugby league clubs to promote health education and healthy lifestyles.

The sport's governing body, New Zealand Rugby League, has endorsed, and is supporting, the programme.

It involves a three-level accreditation system, with clubs earning points based on health initiatives they undertake in order to become a Health Promoting Sports Club.

In Counties Manukau, points must be earned for work undertaken in the compulsory areas - responsible alcohol use and drinking environments; league fundamentals; being smokefree and introducing a children's champion.

Clubs can then choose to earn points from other areas - nutrition and healthy menu choices; awareness of recreational drug use; best practice for sideline behaviour; being sunsmart; and health awareness, including men's health.

Participating clubs undertake a needs assessment before starting the accreditation process followed by the assessment, award and review. Incentives are offered for clubs who reach various levels of accreditation.



It is a big step for clubs, many of whom currently serve unhealthy menu options such as deep fried chips and receive significant sponsorship from alcohol companies, including branded sports gear.

"Rugby league is more than a game," says Creating a Better Future Project Manager and Physical Activity Specialist Mathew Bayliss, who is helping lead the project. "It's not just about what's happening on the pitch or in the club rooms, it's about the community."

Recent New Zealand research shows that 58% of parents and caregivers believe sports clubs or organisations should play a big role in making sure children eat and drink healthily.

By improving their image and environment, and creating a more welcoming atmosphere for players and their families, clubs can hope to attract and retain more members long term.

The pilot will be evaluated by the School of Population Health later this year before League4Life is rolled out nationwide. It is hoped the programme will be well underway in a large number of clubs by 2015.

League4Life is supported by Creating a Better Future, WDH, Auckland District Health Board, Auckland Regional Public Health Service, New Zealand Rugby League, Waitemata District Police, the National Heart Foundation, the Cancer Society, Drug Free Sport New Zealand, Sport Waitakere, Harbour Sport, ProCare, Safe Waitakere and ALAC.



WAIUKU RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB SENDS HEALTHY MESSAGES TO COMMUNITY

By Grace, Waiuku

I am involved with the Waiuku Rugby League Club who have been promoting health education and healthy lifestyles in our sports club since 2006.

We participated in the smoke free challenge project in 2009 and were rewarded with smoke-free field equipment, we registered for quit smoking support training and had club meetings for cessation group sessions, we also supplied NRT to players and public who wanted to quit smoking.

The club installed a filtered cool water fountain that supplies continuous fresh water for players drink bottles and is free for public use.

We work alongside CM Sports in the weekdays after school '30 minute push play' programmes.

Attached to our league grounds we have an open community kai garden that is free food for

everyone. The teams organise times for weeding and turning over new ground for more garden space.

We have a shared hangi pit that the club uses for fundraising events and is also hired out for public use.

We had 10 students sign up for a free Agriculture & Horticulture eight month course, four graduated and received Level 2 & 3 certificates.

The Waiuku Rugby League Club has come a long way from its past when the selling of alcohol and violence closed League down for a time. But through the care of Marama Hou Ministries Trust and positive public members, the club has been restored on a good footing and is moving forward health wise.



BELL BLOCK MARIST DRAGONS

By Marcia Taiwa

Our Bell Block Marist Dragons Rugby League Club, boasts large numbers of around 120 in the juniors grades & about 75 in the senior grades. It's thanks to these numbers that we were able to successfully dominate the Taranaki Rugby League & Western Alliance competitions.

Our Development team is mainly made up of players who haven't taken the field in 10+ years and some of these are at the top end age wise. There were also players who had a bit of trouble getting back into a training regime but with dedication they have gone from strength to strength. Thanks to the hard work also put in by their management team Hepa Potini, Paul Silich & Shane McKay, it all paid off when on Saturday July 30 they were named Taranaki Development Champions.

Our Premier team was pushed hard from the first day of pre season by their coach Stacey Lamb with the assistance of his manager Brad Graham. With a predominantly younger squad the main focus was fitness, which paid off.

First stop for our premier team was the Lile Shield, which we took from the reigning champs, the Waitara Bears, then to make history our boys decided that we needed to win the Western Alliance competition as well. In the Western Alliance final against Fielding

Falcons, the Falcons dominated the whole game and with 20 minutes left things didn't look good with the score 32-8 to Fielding. But when it looked like all hope was gone our boys came back, until we were at 33-32.

When the hooter went off, the crowd erupted with cheers, excitement, happiness & astonishment. With these wins came retirement for two of our players but it was a great way for them to end their premier grade careers. Vinnie Hill & Trent Berge have both been part of our club for many years playing mainly premier grade, but also being go-to people for anything within our club.

Vinnie will be working with the junior grades next year, whilst Trent may come back as a player-coach in the development grade. We as a club would like to thank them for everything they've done for our club.

To end our hugely successful season we had some fun with friends & enjoyed our annual club day, where past players showed present players how you play a good game of league & win, followed that night with a themed prize giving. We are very proud of all the players who have taken the field for our club throughout all the years I would like to thank everybody who has put their blood, sweat & tears into building our club & making it a place where everyone wants to be.



Marist Dragons Premier Squad - Winners of the Lile Shield

NGARUAWAHIA PANTHERS CELEBRATE

By Jan Haggie, Ngaruawahia RL

With this being our Centenary Year it is wonderful to see our teams performing so well. In front of a packed crowd at Davies Park in Huntly our Premiers won the Waikato championship beating the Hamilton City Tigers 30 - 8. It is the first time we have won it in 23 years, since 1988 when we also played the Tigers and beat them 30 -12. We have been runners up at least six times since without winning a final in that time.

Our 17s also won their Waikato championship, coincidentally also against the Hamilton City Tigers. Our 13s also won their grade as did our 14s, we combined with Turangawaewae for that team.

Our Premier coach Richard Waiwai told the local paper, the North Waikato News, that it was a huge relief to win the game and competition in the club's 100th year. "This one means a lot to us, it has been around for a hundred years too." He praised his players, saying they stick to their game plan and played to their ability.



Haggie Brothers with the trophy



13s Champions



Premiers Celebrate a Try



17s Champions

BOP 15S IN TRI SERIES TRIUMPH

By Veena Kameta, BoP Schoolboys Ops

On Saturday September 3 the BOP 13s 14s & 15s headed over to Ngaruawahia - Hopuhopu to compete in an annual tri-series between BOP, Coastline and Waikato.

Craig Hiha and George Turia stepped up and took charge. The first game for the Bay 15s was versus Hauraki, who were very new to the game and a tad late, so it was no problem for the young BOP team to start the ball rolling, eventually running away with the game 36 - 0. A hat-trick from Rijkaar Vander Mee topped the day and tries were just pouring in.

A much bigger crowd assembled for the next game against Waikato, with BOP scoring first, second and a third time before the break, with hard hitting runs, and galant efforts from Dane Clark, Ozias Trego, George Redstone and Shelton Honana. With plenty of speed from Brian Turia, Cody James, Mitchell Griffin and Kian Trainor, the Bays players were more than ready to deal to the opposition again in the second half, instead they relaxed and Waikato came back to score two tries. Unfortunately this was all Waikato could offer, with Tony Matautia finishing off in style with a bust and great support play from pivots and halves.

As the day started to wind down, the Bay team played Coastline, dominating the first half with halves scoring and props busting through.

After the half time break it was obvious Coastline had not given up, taking an opportunity at the back with a kick towards the in-goal line and scoring with a conversion. However the Bay held on to win.

Taking the series out three - nil, it was a great day for the BOP 15s, with two players named in the Waicoa U14s team.

All BOP Coaching Staff and Officials were stoked with the results and will focus on future development for our promising talent over the summer.

Many thanks to all the coaching staff who offered their experience.

Tri-Series Tournament Team 2011

1. Mitchell Griffin
2. Mamaiti Jackson
3. Tony Matautia
4. Phayde Daniels
5. Jake Sutherland
6. Brian Turia
7. Rijkaard Vander Mee
8. Mitchell Pilkington
9. Jazz Flavell
10. Shelton Honana
11. Brandon Phelan-Kameta
12. Dane Clark
13. George Redstone
14. Kian Trainor
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New Zealand Womens Rugby League (NZWRL) would like to thank 'Tamaki Entertainment' for their support and sponsorship assistance as they prepare to play the Australian Jillaroos on the Gold Coast in October 2011.

Tamaki Entertainment present 'NZ Polyfest 2011' a Poly-Reggae concert coming to Rotorua on Friday 14th October 2011. Tickets can be purchased through NZWRL at usual prices with a percentage of the ticket price going towards the fundraising efforts of NZWRL and the Kiwi Ferns as they build up to the 2013 World Cup in England.

Please promote NZWRL as a ticket outlet for NZ Polyfest 2011 to your friends and family and help our three times World Cup Winning Kiwi Ferns defend their fourth title in England 2013!

For more information on how to purchase tickets: kiwifern@hotmail.co.nz or check us out on Facebook.



NOTICEBOARD



Manukau Rugby League celebrate their Centenary this year. They would like to invite you to join their celebrations.

There are a number of events planned from Saturday October 15 to Sunday October 23 with the Centennial Dinner on Saturday October 22.

For details of all the events and to register please visit their website www.manukauleague.co.nz



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Crossword Answers - July 2011

ACROSS

2. Surname of Kiwi who has made 38 appearances.
Vagana
4. This school has won the National Secondary Schools twice since 1994. **Aranui**
5. Kiwi Number 571 David who? **Field**
7. National Competition team named after these poisonous creatures. **Scorpions**
10. National Competition team named after these giants of the ocean. **Orcas**
11. This mythical animal is celebrating 100 years of rugby league. **Unicorns**
16. This country will debut at the 2011 Four Nations. **Wales**
17. NZ National Secondary Schools Nationals will be held in this month. **August**
18. Number of Greymouth Community Camp photos on NZLeague Facebook page. **Eighteen**
19. The venue for the National Secondary Schools tournament. **Bruce Pulman**
21. No game this weekend. **Bye**

DOWN

1. First name of Team of the Century Loose Forward.
Mel
3. 2008 Kiwis v Tonga match was played here.
Auckland
5. 2010 Kiwis scored this many points against Toa Samoa. **Fifty**
6. This Kiwi is having a testimonial lunch this month.
Hohaia
8. The Kiwis will play here on October 6, 2011.
Rarotonga
9. The most important meal of the day. **Breakfast**
12. Organisation recognising volunteers. **SPARC**
13. NZ will play on Guy Fawkes Day at this venue.
Wembley
14. The Four Nations Final will be played in this city.
Leeds
15. This Kiwi featured on the cover of the May edition of In Touch. **Cayless**
20. This city has 32 photos from their Community camp on Facebook. **Nelson**
22. The Kiwis coach's Sydney team. **Eels**

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KEY DATES

NZRL National Competition	Nationwide	27 August -15 October
NZ18s v Australian Schoolboys	Bruce Pulman Park, Papakura	2 October
Kiwis v Cook Islands	Rarotonga, Cook Islands	6 October *
NZ18s v Australian Schoolboys	Bruce Pulman Park, Papakura	8 October
Kiwis Ferns v Jillaroos	Skilled Park, Australia	15 October
Junior Kiwis v Junior Kangaroos	Newcastle, Australia	16 October
Kiwis v Kangaroos	Newcastle, Australia	16 October *
NZ16s v Queensland Academy 16s	Massey Park, Papakura	18 October
Four Nations 2011 - Kiwis v Australia	Warrington, UK	28 October *
Four Nations 2011 - Kiwis v Wales	London, UK	5 November *
Four Nations 2011 - Kiwis v England	Hull, UK	12 November *
Four Nations 2011 - Final	Leeds, UK	19 November *
* Local dates, NZ screening times (if applicable) to be advised.		