## QANTAS WALLABIES 2011 TRI NATIONS MEDIA GUIDE













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## **WELCOME**



In 2011 the Qantas Wallabies face one of the most challenging and exciting tasks in International Rugby – the opportunity to take on the world's best teams and claim the game's most celebrated trophies.

Our hopes and expectations for the approaching season are high. The Qantas Wallabies

are currently second on the International Rugby Board rankings, behind only the All Blacks, and they ended 2010 in quite extraordinary circumstances.

The record 59-16 victory over France in Paris was a wonderful finish to 2010. However, there were other milestones throughout the season that suggested more consistent success might not be far away.

The Qantas Wallabies ended a 47-year drought on the South African high veldt when they beat the Springboks 41-39 in Bloemfontein.

That achievement was followed by a passionate and inspiring come-from-behind win over the All Blacks in Hong Kong, where James O'Connor crossed in the corner after the siren and calmly converted from wide out.

Heading into 2011 the Qantas Wallabies are aiming to become the best team in the world and we are hoping all Australians will be on board for the journey.

We have launched our One Team 2011 campaign.

We are delighted to have celebrity advocates lending their support to the Qantas Wallabies. These celebrities have been enormously generous with their time and they are leading the drive to generate a groundswell of national pride behind our national team as the year progresses.

To the media, we trust you will also enjoy what promises to be a thrilling journey in 2011.

It starts with a Test against two-time Rugby World Cup quarter finalists Samoa on 17 July, then moves into a long-awaited Tri Nations series where the three leading sides in World Rugby will go head-to-head on the eve of the Rugby World Cup in New Zealand.

We will play the Springboks, the defending Rugby World Cup champions, in Sydney on 23 July then head to Brisbane for a showdown with the All Blacks on 27 August.

Less than two weeks later our team heads across to New Zealand for the 2011 Rugby World Cup.

I look forward to catching up with you all during the season and trust there will be plenty of positive news to share with your readers/viewers/listeners as the season unfolds.

At ARU we see 2011 as a year of opportunity — one that promises to be filled with enthralling, compelling and memorable moments.

Enjoy it.

John O'Neill AO ARU Managing Director and CEO



## ROBBIE DEANS

### From the Coach - It All Starts At Home!

Welcome to the 2011 Castrol Edge International Rugby Series and a schedule that will mark the final stage of the development of the Qantas Wallabies ahead of September's Rugby World Cup in New Zealand.

The Test matches we play before that tournament firstly against Samoa in Sydney, and then home and away against South Africa and New Zealand, will be pivotal games.

Inevitably much of the focus this year will be on the World Cup, and that is inescapable, but no Test should ever be regarded as a practice match.

The lead-up programme to the Rugby World Cup provides us with a shot at winning both the Bledisloe Cup and the Tri Nations, and promises to be an exciting series in its own right.

The three domestic Tests also offer an opportunity for the Australian public to get out and back the team ahead of the seventh Rugby World Cup.

Following on from the expanded Super Rugby season which, for the first time, featured five Australian teams; our programme kicks off in Sydney against Samoa in what will be a tough introduction.

This will be my first time coaching against Samoa, but a number of their players are known to me, with the bulk of their squad boasting Super Rugby experience. Indeed I coached a fair few of them at the Crusaders.

The Samoans play an exciting but physical brand of rugby.

They will also not be intimidated by either the surrounds, or their opposition, having previously encountered most of our players through their collective Super Rugby experience.

Samoa showed during last year's Spring Tour, where it proved super competitive against England, Ireland and Scotland, that it cannot be under-rated

The Bledisloe Cup series starts for us in Auckland on 6 August.

After last year's thriller in Hong Kong, more of the same can be expected in what should be an intriguing two-match series that will conclude in Brisbane on 27 August.

The Suncorp Stadium Test shapes as an exciting finale to both the Bledisloe Cup and Tri Nations tournament, as it will come at the end of an intense programme which will also have contained home and away matches with South Africa.

The opening to the Tri Nations sees the Springboks return to Sydney for the first time since 2007.

Our two matches against South Africa are a chance to build on the confidence that was gained last year, when we reclaimed the Mandela Challenge Plate following wins over the Boks in Brisbane, and then again in Bloemfontein.

It is a shortened domestic Test programme, with just five games, but have no doubt that it will be a demanding assignment - and that's before a ball is even kicked in pursuit of the Rugby World Cup.

Enjoy all of the excitement that lies ahead.

Thank you for your continued enthusiastic support of Australian Rugby.

### Robbie Deans Qantas Wallabies Coach





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## 2011 TRI NATIONS MATCH SCHEDULE

### Sunday July 17:

Qantas Wallabies v Samoa, Sydney, 2pm

### Saturday July 23:

Qantas Wallabies v South Africa, Sydney, T/N, 8pm

### **Saturday August 6:**

Qantas Wallabies v New Zealand, Auckland, T/N, 5.35pm [AEST]

### **Saturday August 13:**

Qantas Wallabies v South Africa, Durban, T/N, 1am [Sunday August 14, AEST]

### Saturday August 27:

Qantas Wallabies v New Zealand, Brisbane, T/N, 8pm

All times AEST













### QANTAS WALLABIES ASSEMBLIES, FLIGHTS & ACCOMMODATION DETAILS – 2011

Sun July 10:

Tri Nations squad named

Mon July 11:

Tri Nations squad assembles, Sydney

July 11-24 Crowne Plaza, Coogee 242 Arden St Coogee NSW, 2034 P: 02 9315 7600

Sun July 17:

F: 02 9315 9100

Australia v Samoa, Sydney

Sat July 23:

Australia v South Africa (T/N), Sydney

Sun July 24:

Squad relocates to Gold Coast for training camp

July 24:

QF 530

Departs Sydney 2.05pm Arrives Brisbane: 3.35pm

July 24-August 3 Crowne Plaza, Surfers Paradise 2807 Gold Coast Highway Surfers Paradise, 4217 Australia P: 07 5592 9900 F: 07 5592 1519

Wed Aug 3: Squad travels to Auckland from Brisbane

August 3:

QF 125

Departs Brisbane 6.45pm Arrives Auckland: 11.55pm

August 3-7 Crowne Plaza, Auckland 128 Albert St Auckland, 1010 New Zealand P: +64 9 302 1111

Sat Aug 6:

Australia v New Zealand (T/N), Auckland Sun Aug 7:

Squad travels to South Africa (Durban)

August 7

(i) QF 50

Departs Auckland: 6.15am Arrives Sydney: 7.55am

(ii) QF 63

Departs Sydney: 10am
Arrives Johannesburg: 4.05pm

(iii) BA6221

Departs Johannesburg: 6pm Arrives Durban: 7.10pm

August 7-16

Garden Court, Umhlanga

Cnr Aurora Dr & Centenary Blvd

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### QANTAS WALLABIES ASSEMBLIES, FLIGHTS & ACCOMMODATION DETAILS - 2011

### (CONTINUED)

Sat Aug 13:
Australia v South Africa (T/N), Durban
Tue Aug 16:
Squad travels back to Sydney
Wed Aug 17:
Squad arrives back in Sydney

### August 16:

(i) BA6214 Departs Durban: 1pm Arrives Johannesburg: 2.10pm

(ii) QF 64 Departs Johannesburg: 6.05pm Arrives Sydney: 1.55pm (August 17)

August 17-18 Crowne Plaza, Coogee 242 Arden St Coogee NSW, 2034 P: 02 9315 7600 F: 02 9315 9100 Aug 18: Rugby World Cup Squad Naming, Sydney Sun Aug 21: Squad assembles in Brisbane

August 21-28
Sofitel, Brisbane
249 Turbot St
Brisbane
Queensland 4000
Ph: 07 3835 3535
Fax: 07 3835 4960

Sat Aug 27: Australia v New Zealand (T/N), Brisbane





## QANTAS WALLABIES MEDIA SCHEDULE – TRI NATIONS 2011

This schedule is for media information only. Media should note that all events are subject to change. Selected players will be available at each session. The identities of participants will be worked out in advance with the media. While requests will be taken, media are advised that players will be made available based on the general media consensus. All one on one requests should be advised as soon as possible in advance of scheduled events. While we offer no absolute guarantees, especially at times of high media demand on the team, every endeavour will be made to meet all specific requests. If in doubt about any events, check with Qantas Wallabies Media Manager Matt McILraith. All times are approximates and media are advised to arrive early. Training is open for non-still vision for the first 15-20 minutes only. Check with Matt for details at the ground. In Sydney, all field trainings will be held at Coogee Oval unless bad weather dictates otherwise. Sydney Grammar School is the back-up training venue for occasions when Coogee is unavailable.

Sunday July 10: Qantas Wallabies Squad Announcement, venue & time TBC

(Media should note: if the Super Rugby final is held in Brisbane, the squad will be announced in the city on the morning following the match. If it is held at an alternative venue outside of Australia, the squad announcement will take place in Sydney on the morning following the game).

### Week One - Qantas Wallabies v Samoa, Sydney

Accommodation: July 11-24 Crowne Plaza, Coogee 242 Arden St Coogee, NSW, 2034 P: 02 9315 7600 F: 02 9315 9100

Monday July 11: Squad Assembly, Crowne Plaza, Coogee. Media Session, 11.15am, Oceanic East conference room.

Tuesday July 12: Media Session, Ocean view Court yard, 11.30am. Training, 2.30pm @ Coogee Oval. If Coogee Oval is closed while the team is in Sydney, the alternate venue for all trainings will be advised. Check with Matt for details.

Wednesday July 13: Team Announcement press conference (to play Samoa), 11.30am, Bronte Room, Crowne Plaza, Coogee. Squad photo, 12.15pm, Oceanic Court yard, Crowne Plaza, Coogee. Training, 2.30pm @ Coogee Oval.

Thursday July 14: 2011 ARU Statesman unveiling, Venue TBC, 12pm - 2pm.

Friday July 15: Training, 9am @ Coogee Oval. Media Session, 11.30am, Ocean view Court yard. Wallaby Town promotion featuring Kurtley Beale, Westfield Mt Druitt @ 12pm.

Saturday July 16: Captain's Run, 9am @ ANZ Stadium. Captain's press conference to follow @ the ground @ 10.30am.

Sunday July 17: Qantas Wallabies v Samoa, ANZ Stadium, Sydney, 2pm. The Qantas Wallabies coach, captain and selected players will be available post match. This will be followed by the conclusion of the Qantas Wallabies fan day at the ground.

## Week Two - Qantas Wallabies v South Africa (Tri Nations & Mandela Challenge Plate), Sydney

Monday July 18: Media Session, Ocean view Court yard, 1pm. Recovery session, 2pm, Coogee Beach

Tuesday July 19: Media session, 11.30am, Ocean view Court yard. Training, 2.30pm @ Coogee Oval.

Wednesday July 20: Media session, 9am, Ocean view Court yard.



# QANTAS WALLABIES MEDIA SCHEDULE - TRI NATIONS 2011 (CONTINUED)

Thursday July 21: Training, 9am @ Coogee Oval.

Team Announcement press conference (to play South Africa), 11.30am, Bronte Room, Crowne Plaza, Coogee.

Wallaby Town promotion featuring Adam Ashley
Cooper, Central Coast @ 1pm.

Friday July 22: Captain's Run, 11am @ ANZ Stadium. Captain's press conference to follow at the ground @ 12.30pm.

Saturday July 23: Qantas Wallabies v South Africa, Mandela Challenge Plate & Tri Nations, ANZ Stadium, Sydney, 8pm. The Qantas Wallabies coach, captain and selected players will be available post match.

Sunday July 24: Media doorstop @ Sydney Airport, group departures area @ 12.45pm.

The Qantas Wallabies relocate to Brisbane QF 530 Departs Sydney 2.05pm Arrives Brisbane: 3.35pm

### Week Three - Gold Coast Camp

Accommodation: July 24-August 3 Crowne Plaza, Surfers Paradise 2807 Gold Coast Highway Surfers Paradise, 4217 Australia P: 07 5592 9900 F: 07 5592 1519

Monday July 25: Recovery Session, 9am, Southport School. A Media session will follow recovery @ approximately 11am.

Tuesday July 26: Training, 10am @ Southport School. Media session to follow @ the ground @ 12pm

Wednesday July 27: Training, 10am @ Southport School. Media session to follow @ the ground @ 12pm Thursday July 28: Wallaby Town promotion, 4pm at

Pacific Fair Shopping Centre. Players involved in the promotion will be available to media during the event.

Friday July 29: Training, 10am @ Southport School. Media session to follow @ the ground @ 12pm Week Four – Qantas Wallabies v New Zealand (Tri Nations & Bledisloe Cup), Auckland

Monday August 1: Media session, 11.30am @ Southport School. Training, 3pm @ Southport School.

Tuesday August 2: Training, 9.15am @ Southport School. Media session to follow @ the ground @ 11.30am.

The touring squad for the away legs of the Tri Nations to New Zealand (24 players) & South Africa (26) will be released @ this media session.

Wednesday August 3: Media doorstop @ Brisbane International Airport, group departures area @ 3.30pm.

The Qantas Wallabies relocate to Auckland

QF 125 Departs Brisbane 6.45pm Arrives Auckland: 11.55pm

Accommodation: August 3-7 Crowne Plaza, Auckland 128 Albert St Auckland, 1010 New Zealand P: +64 9 302 1111

Thursday August 4: Training, 11.30am, Western Springs Stadium, Ponsonby. Team Announcement press conference (to play New Zealand), 3pm, venue TBC, Crowne Plaza, Auckland.



# QANTAS WALLABIES MEDIA SCHEDULE – TRI NATIONS 2011 (CONTINUED)

Friday August 5: Captain's Run, 11am @ Eden Park. Captain's press conference to follow at the ground @ 12.30pm.

Saturday August 6: Qantas Wallabies v New Zealand, Bledisloe Cup & Tri Nations, Eden Park, Auckland, 7.3opm [5.3opm, AEST]. The Qantas Wallabies coach, captain and selected players will be available post match.

Sunday August 7: Media doorstop (if required), Auckland International Airport, group departures area @ 4am

The Qantas Wallabies relocate to Durban

(i) QF 50 Departs Auckland: 6.15am Arrives Sydney: 7.55am

(ii) QF 63 Departs Sydney: 10am Arrives Johannesburg: 4.05pm

(iii) BA6221 Departs Johannesburg: 6pm Arrives Durban: 7.10pm

Accommodation: August 7-16 Garden Court, Umhlanga Cnr Aurora Dr & Centenary Blvd Umhlanga Ridge Umhlanga, 4319 P: +27 31 514 5500 F: +27 31 514 5501

### Week Five – Qantas Wallabies v South Africa (Tri Nations & Mandela Challenge Plate), Durban

Monday August 8: Media session, 1pm @ the Holiday Inn, Garden Court. An outdoor activity will follow @ 4pm in the afternoon where vision will be available if needed.

Tuesday August 9: Media session, 11.30am @ the Holiday Inn, Garden Court. Training, 2pm, Crawfords School.

Wednesday August 10: Training, 10am, Crawfords School. Media session, 1pm @ the Holiday Inn, Garden Court.

Thursday August 11: Training, 9.30am, Crawfords School. Team Announcement press conference (to play South Africa), 1pm @ the Holiday Inn, Garden Court.

Friday August 12: Captain's Run, 10.30am @ King's Park. Captain's press conference, 12.30pm @ the Holiday Inn, Garden Court.

Saturday August 13: Qantas Wallabies v South Africa, Mandela Challenge Plate & Tri Nations, King's Park, Durban, 5.3opm [1.3oam, Sunday August 7, AEST]. The Qantas Wallabies coach, captain and selected players will be available post match.

Sunday August 14: Media session, 12pm @ the Holiday Inn, Garden Court. Vision may be available at the Recovery session which will follow at 3pm. Check with Matt for details.

### Week Six – Rugby World Cup Squad Announcement

Monday August 15: Media session (if required), 11.30am @ the Holiday Inn, Garden Court.

Tuesday August 16: The Qantas Wallabies return to Australia

(i) BA6214
Departs Durban: 1pm
Arrives Johannesburg: 2.10pm
(ii) QF 64
Departs Johannesburg: 6.05pm
Arrives Sydney: 2.05pm (August 17)



# QANTAS WALLABIES MEDIA SCHEDULE – TRI NATIONS 2011 (CONTINUED)

Wednesday August 17: A media doorstop will be held on arrival once the team has cleared customs in the Arrivals Hall, Sydney International Airport @ approximately 2.30pm.

Accommodation: August 17-18 Crowne Plaza, Coogee 242 Arden St Coogee NSW, 2034 P: 02 9315 7600 F: 02 9315 9100

Thursday August 18: Rugby World Cup Squad Announcement, Qantas facility, Mascot, 11.30am.

## Week Seven – Qantas Wallabies v New Zealand (Tri Nations & Bledisloe Cup), Brisbane

Sunday August 21: Fan day, 2pm @ Ballymore. Players will be available to the media during this session.

Accommodation: August 21-28 Sofitel, Brisbane 249 Turbot St Brisbane Queensland 4000 Ph: 07 3835 3535 Fax: 07 3835 4960

Monday August 22: Media session, 11.30am, St Germaine Room, @ Sofitel Hotel. Training, 2pm @ Ballymore.

Tuesday August 23: Training, 9am @ Ballymore. Team Announcement press conference (to play New Zealand), 1pm, St Germaine Room @ Sofitel Hotel.

Wednesday August 24: Media session, 10am, St Germaine Room @ Sofitel Hotel.

Thursday August 25: Training, 9am @ Ballymore. Media session, 1pm, St Germaine Room @ Sofitel Hotel.

Friday August 26: Captain's Run, 11am @ Suncorp Stadium. Captain's press conference to follow at the ground @ 12.30pm.

Saturday August 27: Qantas Wallabies v New Zealand, Bledisloe Cup & Tri Nations, Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, 8pm. The Qantas Wallabies coach, captain and selected players will be available post match.

Sunday August 28: Media session, 8am, St Germaine Room, Sofitel Hotel

The Qantas Wallabies squad breaks camp following the final match of the Tri Nations. The Rugby World Cup squad assembles in Sydney on Tuesday August 30. The media schedule for the preliminary phase of the Rugby World Cup will be released prior to that assembly.



## THE PLAYERS – 2011 TRI NATIONS

Ben Alexander	- (Brumbies)
Adam Ashley-Cooper	- (Brumbies)
<b>Berrick Barnes</b>	- (NSW Waratahs)
<b>Kurtley Beale</b>	- (NSW Waratahs)
Richard Brown	– (Western Force)
Luke Burgess	- (NSW Waratahs)
<b>Quade Cooper</b>	- (Queensland Reds)
Pekahou Cowan	- (Western Force)
Ben Daley	<ul><li>(Queensland Reds)</li></ul>
<b>Rod Davies</b>	- (Queensland Reds)
<b>Dave Dennis</b>	- (NSW Waratahs)
Rocky Elsom	– (Brumbies)
Anthony Fainga'a	- (Queensland Reds)
Saia Fainga'a	- (Queensland Reds)
Will Genia	- (Queensland Reds)
Mark Gerrard	– (Melbourne Rebels)
Matt Giteau	– (Brumbies)
James Hanson	- (Queensland Reds)
Mike Harris	- (Queensland Reds)
Scott Higginbotham	- (Queensland Reds)
Matt Hodgson	- (Western Force)
Rob Horne	- (NSW Waratahs)
James Horwill	- (Queensland Reds)
Digby Ioane	- (Queensland Reds)
Sekope Kepu	- (NSW Waratahs)

Salesi Ma'afu	– (Brumbies)	
Pat McCabe	- (Brumbies)	
Ben McCalman	– (Western Force)	
Pat McCutcheon	- (NSW Waratahs)	
Drew Mitchell	- (NSW Waratahs)	
Stephen Moore	- (Brumbies)	
Luke Morahan	- (Queensland Reds)	
Stirling Mortlock	- (Melbourne Rebels)	
Dean Mumm	- (NSW Waratahs)	
James O'Connor	- (Western Force)	
Wycliff Palu	- (NSW Waratahs)	
Nick Phipps	– (Melbourne Rebels)	
<b>David Pocock</b>	– (Western Force)	
Tatafu Polota Nau	- (NSW Waratahs)	
Hugh Pyle	– (Melbourne Rebels)	
Beau Robinson	<ul><li>(Queensland Reds)</li></ul>	
Benn Robinson	- (NSW Waratahs)	
Radike Samo	- (Queensland Reds)	
Nathan Sharpe	– (Western Force)	
<b>Cameron Shepherd</b>	– (Western Force)	
Rob Simmons	- (Queensland Reds)	
James Slipper	- (Queensland Reds)	
Sitaleki Timani	- (NSW Waratahs)	
Lachie Turner	- (NSW Waratahs)	
Dan Vickerman	- (NSW Waratahs)	



## BEN ALEXANDER



**Position:** Prop **Height:** 189cm **Weight:** 117kg

Born: 13 November 1984, Sydney, NSW

**Super Rugby Team:** Brumbies

Representative Honours: Australian U21 2005, Australian

Wallabies 2008-

Senior Tours: 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2008 v France, Sydney	24	5 (1t)



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2008	Fr 1 (rep), Fr 2 (rep), It*, Fr3*	4	0
2009	It1 (rep), It2, Fr (rep), NZ1 (rep), SA1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2, SA3*, NZ3, NZ4, E, Ir, Sc, W	14	0
2010	Fi*, NZ4, W* (1t), E3, It, Fr	6	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	24	5 (1t)

A surprise selection for Australia in 2008 when he was not even a regular in Super Rugby, **BEN ALEXANDER** last year overcame a knee ligament injury to score his first Test try against Wales on the Spring Tour, after being forced to miss the domestic Test season while he rehabilitated. The restriction to six Tests last term slowed the 26-year-old's rise, after he had rocketed to prominence the year before, ending 2009 as an established member of the starting side – at tighthead prop. Alexander has figured almost exclusively as a loosehead in Super Rugby, and has been a prominent try-scorer in his state career. In 2010, he scored seven to finish as the Brumbies leading source of tries for the year. After making his Test debut against France in

Sydney in 2008, Alexander was switched to the tighthead side of the scrum by the national team a year later, taking over on a regular basis from Al Baxter – Australia's most capped front ranker – during the back half of the 2009 Tri Nations. Although still learning his trade as a tighthead, Alexander's greater mobility and ability with ball in hand gave him the edge in securing the position and he cemented his place by excelling against the European sides on that year's Spring Tour. Alexander finished 2009 as one of just four players – Adam Ashley-Cooper, James Horwill and George Smith were the others – to feature in all 14 games played by the Qantas Wallabies. Last year, Alexander's mobility around the field and prowess with the ball in hand



## BEN ALEXANDER



was highlighted when he scored two tries for the Brumbies in matches on three separate occasions. Alexander found himself playing Test rugby less than six months after he had debuted for the Brumbies in Super Rugby. The Sydney-born front-rower joined the Brumbies Academy in 2008 and was first introduced to Super rugby that year against the Queensland Reds. He finished his maiden campaign with six caps, and a try to his name. This was followed by Wallaby selection; and two Test appearances off the bench during the two-nil series win over France in June and early July, followed by starts against Italy and France, and an appearance off the bench during the win over the Barbarians, on the Spring Tour. Alexander first showed his promise as an Australian age-grade representative, developing further during stints with the Western Sydney Rams in the 2007 Australian Rugby Championships, and with the Bedford Blues in England's National Division One competition.

**Fast Fact:** The meteoric nature of Ben Alexander's rise to Test rugby was highlighted by the fact that when he started in Australia's Test win over Italy at Padova in November 2008: it was the first 'starting role' in either Super or Test rugby of his fledgling professional career.





## ADAM ASHLEY-COOPER



WALLABY TEST CAP No.800

**Position:** Fullback/ Centre

**Height:** 182cm **Weight:** 98kg

Born: 27 March 1984, Sydney

**Super Rugby Team:** Brumbies 2005-2011

**Representative Honours:** Australian Under 21s 2004-2005; Australian Sevens 2004; Australian Wallabies 2005-; Australia

A 2006

**Senior Tours:** 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2007 RWC (France), 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong &

Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
SS Wallering	2005 v South Africa, Perth	51	80 [16t]



\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2005	SA4 (rep)	1	0
2006		0	0
2007	W1, W2, Fi (1t), SA1 (rep), NZ1 (1t), SA2, NZ2, Jap* (1t), Fi*2 (1t), C*, E*	11	20 (4t)
2008	Fr1 (rep), Fr2, SA1, NZ1, NZ2* (1t), SA3, NZ3 (1t), NZ4, It, E (1t), F	11	15 (3t)
	lt1 (rep), lt2 (rep, 2t), Fr, NZ1, SA1 (1t), NZ2, SA2, SA3 (1t), NZ3, NZ4, E		
2009	(1t), Ir, Sc, W	14	25 (5t)
2010	Fi, E2, Ir, SA1, NZ1 (1t), NZ2, SA2, SA3, NZ3 (1t), NZ4 (1t), W, E3, It, Fr (1t)	14	20 (4t)
	TOTALS	51	80 (16t)

The 'Mister Fix It' of the Australian backline, **ADAM ASHLEY-COOPER** played most of last year at centre in the Test side, after having largely operated from fullback throughout 2009. The wonderfully versatile 26-year-old missed just four of the 43 Tests played by Australia between 2008 and 2010, and just one of 29 through 2009 and 2010. He also made his maiden appearance for the Barbarians at the end of last year, sharing in the win over South Africa at Twickenham. As well as becoming the 35<sup>th</sup> Australian to surpass a

half century of Test appearances during the Qantas Wallabies win over Italy in Florence on the last Spring Tour, Ashley-Cooper ended his Test year by winning the team's internal Player of the Match award in the 59-16 thumping of Six Nations champions France in Paris. Ashley-Cooper opened the scoring in that match with Australia's first try. It was his fourth of the Test season – only four players in the team scored more. This followed on from the five he had contributed in 2009; the most memorable of which came against England



## ADAM ASHLEY-COOPER



during the Cook Cup success at Twickenham. Australia was recording back-to-back wins at the ground in consecutive years for the first time; with Ashley-Cooper bagging tries in both games. While he played the final nine Tests of last year at centre, Ashley-Cooper also managed two appearances each on the wing and at fullback. He has also previously operated at inside centre for the Wallabies. Ashley-Cooper starts 2011 just two Tests away from tying the Arthur McGill as the fifth most capped Australian fullback of all-time. The Ashley-Cooper versatility has not just been a feature of his Test career. He also regularly featured from three different positions - centre, wing and fullback -for the Brumbies in Super Rugby. Although he made his debut in Perth six years ago, Ashley-Cooper had to wait until 2007 for his first Test try, which came during his maiden Test start, against the All Blacks at the MCG. His debut against South Africa at Perth in 2005 came in unusual circumstances when, having been called into the squad as a replacement, he was then called out of the crowd to sit on the bench, after Elton Flatley injured himself in the warm up. Ashley-Cooper came onto the bench, being required to take the field in an un-numbered jersey two minutes before the end. Ashley-Cooper was a latecomer to rugby, taking up the game as a 15-year-old while living on the Central Coast in NSW. He is the nephew of the PNG-born ex-Wallaby Graeme Bond. The family descends from the sixth Earl of Shaftsbury, Cropley Ashley-Cooper (1768-1851). The Earl represented Dorchester in Parliament for 21 years and was a descendant of William the Conqueror.

**Fast Fact:** Three of the four tries Adam Ashley-Cooper grabbed in 2010 were scored against the All Blacks, which took his career tally against New Zealand to six tries from 14 games. Only David Campese and Matthew Burke have scored more tries against the All Blacks in Tests





## BERRICK BARNES



WALLABY TEST CAP No. 820

**Position:** Flyhalf/Inside Centre

**Height:** 183cm **Weight:** 87kg

Born: 28 May 1986, Brisbane

**Super Rugby Team:** NSW Waratahs 2010-**Previous Team:** Queensland Reds 2006-09

Representative Honours: Australian Wallabies 2007-

Senior Tours: 2007 RWC (France), 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009

Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallahies	2007 v Japan, Lyon	31	59



### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2007	Jap*(rep) (2t), W*(dg), Fi2* (dg), E*	4	16 (2t, 2dg)
2008	Ir (1t), Fr 1, Fr 2, SA1 (dg), NZ1, NZ2, SA2, NZ 4 (rep), It	9	8 (1t, 1dg)
2009	lt1, lt2 (1c), Fr, NZ1 (1t), SA1 (dg), NZ2, SA3, NZ3 (dg)	8	13 (1t, 2dg. 1c)
2010	E1, SA1 (rep), NZ1 (rep), SA3 (rep), NZ3 (rep), NZ4 (rep), W (rep), E3 (rep), It (2c, 6p), Fr*	9	22 (2c, 6p)
	TOTALS	31	59 (4t, 3c, 6p, 5dg)

Whether it is at inside centre or flyhalf, **BERRICK BARNES** has assumed a significant role as one of the Qantas Wallabies' leaders as his Test career potentially advances into its fifth Test season. That status was formalized by appointment as vice captain for his ill-fated 2009 Spring Tour. Unfortunately the now 25-year-old didn't make it beyond first base on the trip, being forced to return home after suffering a high ankle sprain during training in the lead-up to the fourth Bledisloe Cup Test in Tokyo. The process of grooming Barnes as a leader continued during last year's Australian Barbarians series against England where he was one of the Baabaas co-captains, and

then on the 2010 Spring Tour when he led the midweek Wallabies in matches against Leicester and Munster. The Waratahs flyhalf was one of the busiest players on the latter trip, appearing in all seven games, which included starts in the final two Tests of the tour against Italy and France. Barnes handled the goal-kicking in Florence, in the absence of James O'Connor, kicking eight goals from nine attempts as he showed the benefits of his work with the Wallabies' South African kicking consultant, ex Springbok Braam van Straaten. Barnes backed up his performance against Italy with a sure defensive effort in the record win over France at Paris where he combined, for just the third time in



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Tests, with his former Queensland backline partner, Quade Cooper. Barnes left the Reds to join NSW last year, helping his new side to the Super Rugby semi-finals. The highly regarded back was raised in the Queensland country town of Kingaroy. He first appeared for Australia at the 2007 Rugby World Cup where he featured in the Wallabies' final four Tests at flyhalf, scoring two tries on debut after coming off the bench against Japan. He was switched to inside centre the following year, scoring the opening try of the Robbie Deans coaching era from that position as Australia beat Ireland at Melbourne. Barnes quickly made himself at home in the new position, playing outside Matt Giteau, which offered the Australian backline two decision makers. As well as scoring in just the fifth minute of Australia's opening international of 2008, Barnes also supplied the dropped goal which finally killed off South Africa, when Australia beat the reigning World Cup holders 16-9 in its opening game of that year's Tri-Nations. Just four players have kicked more dropped goals for Australia in Tests than the five scored by Barnes. A veteran of 45 Super Rugby games for Queensland across four seasons before he relocated to NSW last year, Barnes also captained his former state on occasion when James Horwill was unavailable. He has been a regular figure since joining the Waratahs, alternating between flyhalf and inside centre last year before concentrating mainly on flyhalf in 2011. Barnes, who was forced to take time out due to repeated head knocks at the end of Super Rugby this year, went beyond 50 Super Rugby appearances last term. He also surpassed a century of points in a Super Rugby season for the first time in 2010. Prior to joining the Reds in 2006, Barnes spent two seasons in rugby league as part of the development programme with the Brisbane Broncos club, having gained a scholarship to join out of school. He played nine first grade games as an 18-year-old in his second year, being coached by the legendary 13-aside coach Wayne Bennett, before switching to rugby union. While Barnes heads into the Rugby World Cup very much a key part of the Wallaby package, much of his impact has come as a Super sub in recent Tests. Heading into 2011, just three of the last nine Test appearances made by Barnes had come as a member of the starting XV.

**Fast Fact:** Berrick Barnes scored 22 points against Italy at Florence last year. The haul included six penalty goals, which was a record for an Australian against Italy. His overall tally was just one shy of Michael Lynagh's record of 23 for the Wallabies against the Azzurri.



## KURTLEY BEALE



WALLABY TEST CAP No.836

Position: Fullback/ Flyhalf

**Height:** 184cm **Weight:** 94kg

**Born:** 6 January 1989, Sydney **Super Rugby Team:** NSW Waratahs

**Representative Honours:** Australian Schoolboys 2004-2006; Australia A 2007, Australia Under-20 2009, Australian Wallabies

2009-

Senior Tours: 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
S.	2009, v Wales, Cardiff	14	41 (7t,2p)



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2009	W (rep)	1	0
2010	Fi (2t), E1*, Ir*, NZ1 (rep), NZ2 (1t), SA2, SA3 (1t, 1p), NZ3 (1p), NZ4, W (1t), E3 (2t), It, Fr	13	41 (7t, 2p)
	TOTALS	14	41 (7t, 2p)

He is now certain to be forever linked to Australia's historic and drought-breaking 41-39 win over South Africa on the high veldt at Bloemfontein last year. But the match-winning penalty goal **KURTLEY BEALE** supplied on that occasion was just one of a number of golden acts that has established the talented playmaker as one of the jewels of the Qantas Wallabies' backline as he heads into his first Rugby World Cup. Beale realised great expectations when he became the 836th wearer of the Wallaby jersey during the 2009 Spring Tour. His selection, after he'd been called into the Tri-Nations squad as a replacement earlier in the year, completed a journey that had seen the teen protégée touted as a future international ever since he completed three straight years as an

Australian Schoolboys representative, while schooling at St Josephs. After debuting in the final Test of 2009, Beale scored the first two tries of his Test career, while operating from fullback, in his run on debut during Australia's season-opening 49-3 win over Fiji at Canberra last year. He went on to finish 2010 as the country's second most prolific try-scorer with seven while missing just two of the record 15 Tests played by the Wallabies through the year. The first of his two tries at Twickenham was the 100th scored by Australia in Tests against England. Such was the level of Beale's impact, in what was his first full international Rugby Board Player of the Year. The 22-year-old, who has worked hard off the field and shed six kilograms in



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playing weight from the time that he first made the Wallabies, stepped up to nervelessly to slot a 55 metre penalty goal in the last act of the game to hand Australia an epic victory over South Africa last year at Bloemfontein. The win ended a 47-year wait for Australia in matches on the South Africa high veldt, while snapping a run of 12 consecutive defeats. The act also confirmed that Beale possessed the bottle for the big occasions in Test matches, repaying the faith Robbie Deans had shown in him. The level of Beale's potential was highlighted by his injection off the bench on the wing for his Test debut against Wales at the tail end of 2009, after he had scored two tries from the position during Australia's win over the Cardiff Blues five days earlier. The regular flyhalf handled his new position with aplomb, having earlier in the year appeared at flyhalf, fullback and inside centre for the Waratahs and the Australian Under-20 side. Beale had started 2009 with NSW at flyhalf, appearing six times, before shifting to inside centre where he was capped on six occasions. This included starts at inside centre in all three of the matches in South Africa which the Waratahs won – the first instance of any side winning all three games of a Super Rugby tour to the Republic. Last year, the 'Tahs initially employed Beale as an inside centre, before later relocating him to fullback, where he displaced the ex-All Black Sosene Anesi from the starting line-up. Beale led St Joseph's to a hat-trick of GPS titles during his schoolboy career. Selection for the Waratahs followed, in his first year out of school in 2007. Of Aboriginal descent, Beale developed his craft further in the 2007 Australian Rugby Championship, winning the Player of the series award after some impressive displays for the Western Sydney Rams. He played for Australia A in the 2007 Pacific Nations Cup, and would have attended the Under-20 World Cup that year as well, but for injury. An Australian Schoolboys representative for three straight years between 2004 and 2006, the exciting Northern Suburbs back shares with Quade Cooper and Andrew Barrett the record for the most appearances for that side, with all three having played nine times.

**Fast Fact:** Kurtley Beale was one of four players of Aboriginal descent to feature in the Australian team that played New Zealand in Christchurch last year, which was a record. The others were the twins, Anthony and Saia Faingaa, and loose forward Matt Hodgson. Adding to the significance for native Australians, assistant coach Jim Williams also has Aboriginal bloodlines.



## RICHARD BROWN



WALLABY TEST CAP No.828

**Position:** No 8/Flanker

Height: 189cm Weight: 106kg

**Born:** 28 August 1984

Super Rugby Team: Western Force 2006-

**Representative Honours:** Australian Schoolboys 2001; Australian U21s 2003-2004; Australian Sevens 2003-2004, Australia A

2008, Australian Wallabies 2008-

Senior Tours: 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe





<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2008	NZ <sub>3</sub> (rep), NZ <sub>4</sub> , It, Eng, W	5	0
2009	It1, Fr, NZ1, SA1, NZ2, SA2, Sc (rep)	7	0
2010	Fi (1t), E1, E2, Ir, SA1, NZ1, NZ2, SA2, SA3 (rep), NZ3 (rep), E3 (rep)	11	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	23	5 (1t)

RICHARD BROWN was one of just five players to feature in all 10 Tests played by the Qantas Wallabies during last year's domestic season, starting on the back of the scrum in all but the final two Tests of the Tri Nations. The 27-year-old, who can cover all three loose forward positions, had a reduced work load on the Spring Tour, featuring as a replacement against England and starting the two midweek matches. The 11 Tests played in 2010 still represented by far Brown's busiest international season after he made his breakthrough in 2008 when he debuted in that year's Tri Nations decider against the All Blacks at Brisbane. Brown's selection for the Qantas Wallabies came three years after he relocated from Queensland to Perth. Brown's

Super Rugby campaign last year was disrupted by a dislocated shoulder which saw him miss five matches. He bounced back to feature in the last seven games of the Force season before taking over from the injured Wycliff Palu at the back of the Wallaby scrum. Palu's absence provided Brown with the opportunity to score his maiden Test try during Australia's 49-3 win over Fiji at Canberra. As well as featuring in seven Tests for the Wallabies in 2009, Brown was also a leader for the midweek Wallabies side that beat Gloucester and the Cardiff Blues on that year's Spring Tour. Brown was raised on a 40,000-hectare property at Nonda Downs; an hour out of Julia Creek in the Queensland outback, on the road between Townsville and Mt Isa,



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where he developed a love for mustering, hunting and also gained a restricted pilot's license. He then headed to boarding school in Brisbane from the age of 13. A member of the Force since its foundation season in 2006, Brown made his Super Rugby debut on the club's opening night, and forms a key part of the team's all-Wallaby back row roster, which also include flankers David Pocock and Matt Hodgson, and No 8 Ben McCalman. The latter's rise into the national side last year saw Brown utilized both as a back rower and on the side of the scrum by the Force this year.

**Fast Fact:** Schooled in Brisbane as a boarder at Nudgee College, Richard Brown was a school-mate of Qantas Wallabies skipper Rocky Elsom. He made Australian Schools during his final year at Nudgee in 2001.





## LUKE BURGESS



WALLABY TEST CAP No.821

**Position:** Scrumhalf **Height:** 179cm

Weight: 89kg

**Born:** 20 August 1983, Newcastle **Super Rugby Team:** Waratahs 2007 – **Previous Teams:** Brumbies 2004-2007

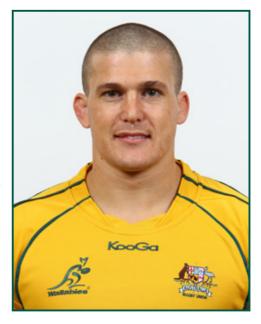
Representative Honours: Australian Under 21s 2004, Australian

Wallabies 2008-

Senior Tours: 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Š.	2008 v Ireland, Melbourne	32	5 (1t)



### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2008	Ir*, Fr1*, Fr2*, SA1*, NZ1, NZ2, NZ4, It, E, Fr3, W	11	0
2009	It1, It2, Fr, NZ1*, SA1*, NZ2*, SA2*, NZ3*, Sc (rep), W (rep)	10	0
2010	Fi, E1, Ir (1t), NZ1 (rep), SA3 (rep), NZ3 (rep), NZ4 (rep), W (rep), E3 (rep), It, Fr (rep)	11	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	32	5 (1t)

Australia's third most capped halfback heading into 2011, having eclipsed Ken Catchpole's Test career tally last year, **LUKE BURGESS** re-asserted himself as a Test player in 2010 by featuring in all but four of the Qantas Wallabies' Test matches. While he has had to play second fiddle behind the excellent Will Genia through recent times, which has resulted in just four of his last 14 Test appearances being starting roles, Burgess has still managed to make a big impression. His impact was most notable in Bloemfontein last year where he played a crucial role off the bench as Australia won on the South African high veldt for

the first time in 47 years. It was the 27-year-old's initiative in taking a quick tap penalty that created the opportunity for Drew Mitchell to cross before the back-pedalling Springbok defence had been able to reorganise during Australia's historic 41-39 victory. A product of the Maitland region around Newcastle on NSW's north coast, Burgess debuted in Super Rugby for the Brumbies in 2005, but moved to the Waratahs in 2007 after being stalled behind then Wallaby skipper George Gregan in Canberra. The move quickly reaped a dividend, with Burgess helping the Eastern Suburbs club to its first Grand Final appearance in 16



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years. He also helped the Melbourne Rebels to the final of the ill-fated Australian Rugby championship of 2007 before going on to feature in 10 of the Waratahs' 15 matches in his maiden season with the side in 2008 as NSW advanced to its second Super Rugby final in four years. The now 28-year-old enjoyed arguably his best Super Rugby season last year as he helped the Waratahs return to the semi-final arena. Such has been the consistency of Burgess's presence at NSW; he went through three consecutive seasons between 2008 and 2010 playing in every match. Burgess scored his first two tries for the Waratahs during the 2009 Super Rugby season, with the first of them helping his state to its maiden win over the Blues in Auckland – after 14 years of trying! Last year saw him post his maiden Test try – a solo intercept effort against Ireland in Brisbane. Burgess had made his Test debut against Ireland three years earlier, on the night where Robbie Deans made his debut as Wallaby coach at Melbourne.

**Fast Fact:** Luke Burgess enjoyed a similar career rise as the ex-Wallabies RWC-winning captain Nick Farr Jones. Neither halfback made their first XV at school. Burgess attended the prestigious St Joseph's College in Hunter's Hill, Sydney.





## QUADE COOPER



WALLABY TEST CAP No.830

**Position:** Flyhalf **Height:** 186cm **Weight:** 92.5kg

Born: 5 April 1988, Waikato, NZ

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds 2007-

Representative Honours: Australian Schoolboys 2005-2006,

Australian Under 19s 2007, Australian Wallabies 2008-

Senior Tours: 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
S.	2008 v Italy, Padova	24	41



\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2008	It (rep, 1t), Fr3 (rep), W (rep)	3	5 (1t)
2009	It 1 (rep), It 2, SA2 (rep), SA3 (rep), E, Ir, Sc, W	8	0
2010	Fi (1t,c), E1 (2t,p), E2, Ir (1t,2p), SA1, SA2, SA3, NZ3, NZ4 (1t), W, E3, It, Fr	13	31 (4t,c,3p)
	TOTALS	24	41 (6t,c,3p)

Born in New Zealand, but firmly entrenched as director of the Australian backline, **QUADE COOPER** promises to be a key figure in the Wallabies' World Cup challenge. The now 23-year-old, who was Australia's Super Rugby Player of the Year award last year, started 2011 having established himself as the main man in the Wallabies backline. Last year saw him achieve a series of firsts: a first start at flyhalf for Australia, a winning debut in the Tri Nations and first wins over both New Zealand and South Africa. Cooper's progression last year was highlighted both by his status as the Wallabies' first choice backline pivot, but also by how the team faired in his absence. Australia lost both Tests to New Zealand while the Queensland flyhalf was suspended during

the Tri Nations, but could easily have won his debut against the All Blacks in Sydney - where the Wallabies went under by a point - and then did win at Hong Kong – where Cooper was instrumental as the Wallabies rallied from a 12-point deficit in the second half to snatch the game at the death. The consistency Cooper showed on last year's Spring Tour, where the authority in his game grew, followed on from two Man of the match performances during Tests against England and Ireland last June. In Perth against England, he was in sublime form, scoring two of Australia's three tries in the courageous 27-17 win. Cooper's golden Test form followed a marvelous 2010 Super Rugby campaign for the Reds where he broke the record for the most points



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in a Queensland season, contributing 171 points to the cause, which included a state record 31 during the stunning 41-20 demolition of the Crusaders. That night saw the inside back combination of Will Genia and Cooper tear the Super Rugby heavyweight to shreds. A graduate of Queensland Rugby's High Performance program, Cooper made his debut for the Reds in 2007 at the age of 18 in his first year out of school. Cooper, along with Kurtley Beale and Andrew Barrett share the record for most Australian schoolboy caps, earning nine each. Cooper grew up in Waikato, New Zealand, and was snapped up by the ARU-funded National Talent Squad when his family moved to Brisbane while he was 15. He predominantly plays flyhalf but showed his versatility when operating successfully from inside centre during the four Tests in the United Kingdom and Ireland on the 2009 Grand Slam attempt by the Wallabies. Making the move to the 12 jersey easier for Cooper was the fact that he had interchanged regularly with Berrick Barnes in the inside backs positions during his challenging debut season in 2007, and then again a year later. Last year saw him finally specialize exclusively as a flyhalf, with the recent background at inside centre clearly aiding his development in some facets of the game, most notably in defence. Cooper was a revelation with his goal-kicking last year, surpassing a century of points for the first time as he ended Super Rugby ranked among the competition's leading point-scorers. Of Maori ancestry, Cooper represented Australia at the inaugural Under-20 World Cup in Wales in 2008, and then backed that up with selection on Australia's Spring Tour later in the year. Cooper featured in four of the six games on that trip, confirming the impression that things happen when he is involved, after he scored the decisive try 10 minutes into his Test debut against Italy in Padua during Australia's 10-point win. In 2009, Cooper was the only Queensland back to start in every match of what was a difficult campaign, before he added eight further caps to his Test tally later in the season. 2009 also saw Cooper make a number of appearances for Brisbane Souths, helping the club to the Grand Final where it was downed by Brothers.

Fast Fact: As a youngster growing up in the south Waikato timber town of Tokoroa, Quade Cooper once lived across the road from current All Black centre Richard Kahui, and used to kick a rugby ball around with him after school. He is also best mates with Crusaders winger Sean Maitland, having grown up with him and been coached by Maitland's father in the junior grades.



## PEKAHOU COWAN



WALLABY TEST CAP No.834

Position: Prop Height: 1.85m Weight: 116kg Born: 02.06.86

Super Rugby Team: Western Force 2006-

Representative Honours: Australia A 2008, Australian Wallabies

2009-

Senior Tours: 2009 Japan & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2009 v Italy, Melbourne	3	0



YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2009	It 2, SA3 (rep), NZ3 (rep)	3	0
	TOTALS	3	0

2009 domestic Test squad bolter, following on from fellow front-ranker Ben Alexander whose selection was the surprise of the 2008 domestic Test squad, **PEKAHOU COWAN** has been one of the big improvers among the Australian front row community over the last two years. The Wellington-born loosehead prop, whose heritage traces back to the Maori tribe that introduced the Haka used by the All Blacks, was a foundation member of the Western Force in 2006, but was restricted to just one appearance through his first two seasons with the franchise due to a broken leg suffered in 2007. The former Australian Schools and age-grade rep at Under-19 and Under-21 level established himself as a regular in the Force run on XV three years ago, where he played nine matches, and performed boldly, earning a call up for the Australia A side that contested the Pacific Six Nations. The confidence gained from that experience served Cowan well in 2009, as he featured in all but one of the Force's 13-match Super Rugby programme, missing only the win over the Cheetahs. He then made his Test debut against Italy at Melbourne, before gaining two runs off the bench during the closing stages of the Tri Nations. Although Cowan has largely specialized as a loosehead to this point of his career, the Warringah prop did play on the other side for Australian Schools, and has furthered his development both on the tighthead side, but also playing hooker, where he featured for the Wallabies during the midweek win over Gloucester on the 2009 Spring Tour. His other appearance during that trip was at loosehead prop against the Cardiff Blues. Prior to focusing his sporting pursuits on rugby, Cowan was a golfer of such note that the Long Reef Golf Club, located on Sydney's northern beaches, put him on a scholarship. This saw him representing the club at junior championship events. At one point, his handicap was a lowly four.

**Did you know?:** As a 12-year-old growing up in Wellington, Pek Cowan was looked after by the sister of All Black legend Tana Umaga, who acted as his baby-sitter. Cowan's mother Brenda still resides in Wellington and watched on proudly when he came off the bench against the All Blacks in the city during the final match of the 2009 Tri Nations.



## BEN DALEY



WALLABY TEST CAP No.842

Position: Prop Height: 1.84m Weight: 111kg Born: 27.06.88

**Super Rugby Team:** Queensland Reds

Representative Honours: 2006 Australia Under-19, 2008

Australia Under-20, 2010 Australian Wallabies

Senior Tours: 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v England, Perth	3	0



\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	E1, E2, Ir*	3	0
	TOTALS	3	0

One of 11 players to make their Test debuts for the Qantas Wallabies in 2010, BEN DALEY tripled his number of appearances for the Queensland Reds during last year's Super Rugby season, prior to his callup for full international honours. After being ruled out for three weeks due to a torn tri-cep muscle in his arm at the tail end of the final Super 14, Daley made his return to the playing field on a torrid night for the Australian scrum, being part of an eight that conceded two penalty tries during his maiden Test against England at Perth. The Wallabies scrum improved dramatically from that evening, and so too did Daley, marking that improvement with a dominant display against Ireland at Brisbane just two weeks later in what was his third Test, but his first in his home state. The son of former Australian and Manly Rugby League great Phil Daley, the now 23-year-old only made his Super Rugby debut towards the tail end of 2008. A former world title winner with the Australian Under-19 side in 2006, Daley has an excellent scrumaging technique. He is also mobile around the field and is a strong defender, highlighting both of those qualities during his maiden Tests. Injury hampered Daley's development in 2007, ruling him out for the year, but he bounced back to make his Super Rugby debut off the bench the following year, before gaining five starting caps during Queensland's 2009 campaign. The level of his all-round development was highlighted last year when he was selected for every game for which he was available by new Reds coach Ewen McKenzie, relegating the ex-Wallaby Test prop Greg Holmes to a role on the bench. Daley, who plays for the Gold Coast Breakers at club level, greatly admired the ex-All Black tighthead prop Carl Hayman during the formative years of his rugby union career. Prior to settling on union as his preference, Daley had played representative rugby league, maintaining links with the Manly Sea Eales NRL club, for whom his father was a representative.

**Fast Fact:** While he cemented himself as first choice for Queensland last year, Ben Daley made his first run on 'start' in Super Rugby in 2009; comfortably handling his Springbok opponents John Smit and 'Beast' Mtawarira during a man of the match performance as the Reds stunned the previously unbeaten Sharks 26-13 at Suncorp Stadium.



## ROD DAVIES



Position: Wing Height: 1.80m Weight: 88kg Born: 18.05.89

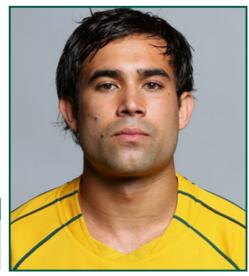
Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds

Representative Honours: 2006 Australian Schools, 2009

Australian Under-20, 2010 Australian Wallabies

Senior Tours: 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
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The Rockhampton 'Rocket'; **ROD DAVIES** has advanced into the Test framework in time for the Rugby World Cup after first being introduced to the Qantas Wallabies set-up as a member of the midweek side on last year's Spring Tour. Davies is a former Australian Schools representative, where he played in the same backline as Kurtley Beale and Quade Cooper. The 22-year-old, who is a former pupil of Ipswich Grammar, made his way into the Qantas Wallabies last year after just two seasons in Super Rugby, having played his first game in that competition against the Chiefs in 2009. Davies was signed by the Brisbane Broncos rugby league club straight out of school at the end of 2006. After two seasons in the 13-aside code, which he had also played as a youngster growing up in central Queensland, Davies returned to rugby at the end of 2008, landing a place on Queensland's development tour of Ireland and France at the tail end of the year. Selection in the Reds' Super Rugby squad followed in 2009, and he went on to make five appearances in his freshman season, before later earning a spot in the Australian Under-20 side for the Junior World Cup in Japan where he scored two tries in each of the matches against Tonga and Wales. The experience Davies gained from his maiden season was clear during last year's Queensland's pre-season trials, where he did well enough to subsequently hold out the 2009 rookie Wallaby Spring tourist Luke Morahan in the race for starting spots. Davies scored his maiden

Super Rugby try during the Reds' stunning 41-20 upset of the Crusaders in Brisbane. A fractured eye socket, which was sustained during the loss to the Blues at Ballymore in round three, sidelined the one-time GPS 100m Sprint champion for four matches. He then made a blistering return by scoring two tries in Queensland's 41-26 win over the Lions in Johannesburg, and four further tries in all as the Reds climbed to fifth on the final table. A hamstring injury sustained in the final round robin match of the competition, denied Davies a shot at the Australian Barbarians programme against England, but the national selectors showed they hadn't forgotten his contribution to the Reds once he was fit again, rewarding that performance with a place on last year's Spring Tour where he featured in the tour matches against the Leicester Tigers and Munster. Davies kicked on from that experience in Super Rugby this year where he was one of Queensland's best performers.

**Fast Fact:** Prior to taking up a two-year development contract in rugby league with the Brisbane Broncos, Rod Davies had been a member of the Australian Rugby Union's national Talent Squad. He grew up idolizing Reds and Australian try-scoring hero Ben Tune.



## DAVE DENNIS



**Position:** Lock/Loose Forward

**Height:** 1.92m **Weight:** 104kg **Born:** 10/1/86

Super Rugby Team: NSW Waratahs

Representative Honours: 2004 Australian Schools, Australian

Wallabies 2009

Senior Tours: 2009 Japan & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
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One of the bolters in on the 2009 Spring tour, DAVE **DENNIS** showed the benefits of that experience this year as he stepped up as a key forward for the NSW Waratahs towards the end of the 2011 Super Rugby season. The strapping 25-year-old proved an admirable replacement for the injured Wycliff Palu, providing a powerful presence off the back of the Waratahs scrum. Dennis won his international call up in 2009 as a utility forward, being employed in the second row and as a blindside flanker during Australia's tour matches against Gloucester and the Cardiff Blues. The last two years have seen Dennis cement his place with NSW after having endured an injury plagued run prior to last year. The Sydney University product first made his mark by playing in three matches for the Australian Schoolboys in 2004 while attending Richmond High School. A loose forward who has steadily developed his prowess as a second rower, Dennis joined the Waratahs development programme after his schools career ended, graduating to Super Rugby ranks in 2007 when he made his debut for the 'Tahs against the then Robbie Deans-coached Crusaders. Unfortunately that appearance, where NSW lost narrowly, provided his only Super Rugby experience prior to his inclusion on the Wallaby tour two years later, providing a spring

board for an increased profile within the Waratahs in the time since. The early years of the Dennis professional career were severely handicapped by breakage, with an injury to his left knee ending his 2007 season after he played for the Melbourne Rebels in the Australian Rugby Championship. Unfortunately his right knee then blew out in his first training session back in 2008, which saw further surgery required – ruining that year. Dennis had featured in the championship-winning Sydney University club squad of 2007. He went on to help coach the club's Under-21 side to title glory in 2008, before returning to duty with both Uni and the Waratahs a year later. Uni won the third of its four successive club titles in 2009, with Dennis locking the students scrum alongside his fellow future Wallaby utility forward, Ben McCalman. A strong performance against Randwick in the 2009 Shute Shield club final helped seal a place for Dennis on that year's Wallaby Spring tour.





## ROCK ELSOM



**Position:** Flanker Height:197cm Weight: 106kg

Born: 14 February 1983, Melbourne Super Rugby Team: Brumbies 2010-

Previous Team: NSW Waratahs 2003-08, Leinster 2008-09 Representative Honours: Australian Under 16s 1999, Australian Schoolboys 2000, Bulldogs (NRL) 2001-2002, Australian Under

215 2003, Australian Wallabies 2005-

Senior Tours: 2005 UK & France, UK, Ireland and Italy, 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2007 RWC (France), 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010

Hong Kong & Europe





<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2005	Sam (1t), It, F, SA1, SA2, SA3 (rep), SA4, NZ2, F2	9	5 [1t]
2006	E1, E2, Ire, NZ1, SA1, NZ2, SA2, NZ3 [1t], SA3, W, It, Ire2, S	13	5 [1t]
2007	W1, W2, SA1, NZ1, SA2, NZ2, Jap*(3t), W3*, Fi2*, E*	10	15 [3t]
2008	Ir*, Fr1 (1t), Fr2, SA1, NZ1 (1t), SA2, SA3, NZ3	8	10 (2t)
2009	NZ2, SA2, SA3, NZ3, NZ4, E, Ir (1t), Sc, W	9	5 (1t)
2010	Fi, E1 (1t), E2, Ir, SA1, NZ1 (1t), NZ2, SA2, SA3 (1t), NZ3, NZ4, W, E3, It, Fr	15	20 (4t)
	TOTALS	64	60 [12t]

Now the country's fifth most capped Test captain, after leading the Wallabies for the 20th time when the side beat France in Paris last November, ROCKY ELSOM was the only player to get through every minute of the 15 Tests played by the Qantas Wallabies in 2010. Australia's 76th Test captain started the year by becoming the 31st player to raise a half century of Test matches for Australia when he led the side for the first time on home soil in the 49-3 win over Fiji at Canberra. Elsom was appointed Qantas Wallabies captain for the 2009 Spring Tour, leading for the first occasion against the All Blacks in Tokyo. He developed superbly in the

role through 2010, contributing by word and deed, with his four tries being the most by a forward in the team. Only four Wallabies scored more tries in 2010 than did the skipper. He also became the country's fourth most capped loose forward, going beyond the 59 Test caps earned by 1991 Rugby World Cup-winning flanker Simon Poidevin. Elsom debuted against Samoa in 2005, but left Australia briefly through 2008 and 2009 when he played a northern hemisphere season with the Dublin-based Leinster.



## ROCKY ELSOM



While in Ireland, Elsom starred in both the Celtic League and the European Cup, winning the player of the match award 11 times in 13 appearances, as the Irish province stormed to its maiden European Cup title, beating English giants Leicester Tigers at Murrayfield in the final. On his return to Australia, the 28-year-old featured in Australia's final four matches of the 2009 Tri-Nations after overcoming a knee injury which he had brought back with him from Europe. Under Elsom's captaincy, Australia started 2011 having won 11 from 20 while drawing another. Four of the defeats have been sustained against the All Blacks, although Elsom led the Wallabies to wins in the team's final meetings of 2010 with both New Zealand and South Africa, while the last outing of that year against France resulted in an astonishing 59-16 routing of the then reigning Six Nations champions. Elsom had earlier led Australia to notable wins over England and Wales on the 2009 Spring Tour, as well as the dramatic 20-20 draw with Ireland at Croke Park. The Australian captain scored the eighth try of his Test career that day and responded with great gusto to the challenge of playing in front of his former Leinster fans. Australia retained the Lansdowne Trophy, the James Bevan Trophy and the Trophée des Bicentenaires under Elsom's leadership, while also reclaiming the Mandela Challenge Plate off South Africa. Prior to his time in Dublin, which saw him miss Australia's Spring Tour of 2008, Elsom had established himself as a regular fixture in the Wallabies side, starting in 31 of the 32 Tests for which he was available since the beginning of 2006. He made a major impact at the 2007 Rugby World Cup, scoring three tries in his first World Cup match against Japan, which saw him take out the Man of the Match honours. Elsom was then man of the match again when Australia broke its eight-year drought on South African soil by beating the Springboks 27-15 at Durban in 2008. Elsom played 64 matches for the Waratahs in Super Rugby prior to his departure for Ireland, but switched to the Brumbies last year, featuring in 12 of the 13 matches played by the side. He was forced to make a delayed start to this year's tournament, missing nearly all of the Super Rugby season as he completed rehabilitation from injury.

**Fast Fact:** Rocky Elsom was once a team-mate of Sonny Bill Williams, who joined Canterbury and the Crusaders in New Zealand so he could make the All Blacks in time for the Rugby World Cup. The pair are former Bulldogs, having played together in the title-winning Jersey Flegg side at the club which was coached by the ex-Australian Schoolboys rugby union and later Kangaroo rugby league representative, Ricky Stewart.



## ANTHONY FAINGAA



WALLABY TEST CAP No.846

Position: Centre Height: 1.78m Weight: 88kg Born: 02.02.87

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds 2009-

Previous Teams: Brumbies 2007-08

**Representative Honours:** 2004 Australian Schools, 2006 Australian Under-19s, 2006 Australian Under-21s, 2007

Australian Sevens, 2010 Australian Wallabies

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v New Zealand, Melbourne	4	0



### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	NZ1 (rep), NZ2, SA3 (rep), NZ3 (rep)	4	0
	TOTALS	4	0

Twin-brother of Queensland Reds hooker Saia Faingaa, ANTHONY FAINGAA joined the Wallaby club in the same year as his brother when he made his debut off the bench against the All Blacks at Melbourne last season. Faingaa made his run on debut the following week in Christchurch, starting alongside his brother on what was a significant night – both for the Faingaa family, but also for all native Australians of Aboriginal descent. The pair were two of a record four players of Aboriginal descent who featured in the Australian match night squad, with the others being fullback Kurtley Beale and replacement loose forward Matt Hodgson. Anthony earned his call up for the Tri Nations after excelling for the Australian Barbarians during last year's midweek series against England. Faingaa's hard running and sure tackling made a big impression against England, even when he was forced to the unfamiliar outside centre position during the second match of the series at Gosford. Selection for the Australian Baabaas came after a rousing Super Rugby season where he was one of the stars of the Queensland Reds' climb up the championship table, appearing in all but the final game of the programme, which he missed through injury. He ended what was a long year on the Spring Tour where he appeared in the two midweek matches against Leicester and Munster. Despite a seasoned career as an age-grade representative, which saw him appointed vice captain of the Australian Schools side in 2004, Faingaa was restricted to just 13 Super Rugby appearances in his first three seasons as a professional, after making his debut in South Africa in 2007. He managed just four appearances through two seasons with the Brumbies, but played a full season for the Canberra Vikings in the



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2007 Australian Rugby Championships, before joining Saia in a move to the Queensland Reds for the start of 2009. There, he linked with his former Under-19 world championship winning coach Phil Mooney, but still found the going tough, managing just nine of the Reds' 13 games in his first season. Faingaa achieved his breakthrough during last year's Reds preseason, where his performances saw new coach Ewen McKenzie offer him the first shot at a midfield position for the Super Rugby season opener against the NSW Waratahs. While the Reds lost that match in dramatic circumstances, the quality of Faingaa's performance was such that he maintained his position for the rest of the competition, scoring his first two tries for the Reds during the big win over the Western Force. His family also enjoyed a special night during the Reds' visit to the Brumbies, when three brothers featured, with Saia and Anthony being with Queensland, while their 18-year-old sibling Colby appeared on the openside flank for the home side. While Faingaa represented Australia in a number of different age-grade sides, as well as in Sevens, a major highlight was provided by the 2006 Under-19 final in Dubai. There, his late dropped goal sealed a 17-13 win for a side captained by his twin brother, over New Zealand in the tournament final. Anthony was subsequently nominated for the International Rugby Board's Under-19 Player of the Year award for that season. He went on to represent Australia at the Under-21 world championship later that same year.

**Fast Fact:** Saia and Anthony Faingaa were the third set of twins to represent Australia in a Test match, following on from Stan and Jim Boyce and Mark and Glen Ella. The boys also became the 40<sup>th</sup> set of brothers to appear for the Wallabies





#### SAIA FAINGAA



WALLABY TEST CAP No.840

Position: Hooker Height: 1.87m Weight: 108kg Born: 02.02.87

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds 2009-

Previous Team: Brumbies 2006-08

Representative Honours: 2003-04 Australian Schools, 2006 A

Australia Sevens, 2010 Australian Wallabies **Senior Tours:** 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v Fiji, Canberra	11	0



#### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	Fi (rep), E1*, E2*, Ir, SA1, NZ1 (rep), NZ2, SA2, SA3 (rep), NZ4 (rep), W*	11	0
	TOTALS	11	0

SAIA FAINGA'A won't forget the 2010 season in a hurry. After establishing himself as Queensland's first choice hooker, which allowed him to surpass a half century of appearances in Super Rugby, Fainga'a went on to make his Test debut for the Qantas Wallabies against Fiji in front of his Canberra-based family. By year's end, Faingaa had featured in 11 Tests, having started on seven occasions. He also shared, along with his twin brother Anthony, the honour of becoming just the third set of twins to play for Australia following on from Stan and Jim Boyce and Mark and Glen Ella. That honour was achieved when Anthony came off the bench to play his first Test during the loss to the All Blacks in Melbourne. Saia's fifth start was earned a week later in the Tri Nations match against the All Blacks in

Christchurch on what was a significant night – both for the Faingaa family, but also for all native Australians. Not only did the two brothers start alongside each other in a Test for the first time, the pair were also two of a record four players of Aboriginal descent who featured in the Australian match night squad, with the others being fullback Kurtley Beale and replacement loose forward Matt Hodgson. The Faingaa brothers are the 40<sup>th</sup> set of brothers to appear for the Qantas Wallabies. Even though his promise was marked early, when he captained the Australian team which won the last world Under-19 championship in the United Arab Emirates in 2006, Saia Fainga'a's career had largely failed to kick on from that achievement prior to last season. Despite compiling 39 Super Rugby



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appearances, 27 of which were made for the Brumbies before he relocated to Queensland in 2009, Fainga'a had largely been a bits and pieces player until the arrival of Ewen McKenzie to the Reds. The ex-NSW boss decided to give Fainga'a his chance, and the dynamic 24-year-old didn't disappoint, being one of the spearheads of the rejuvenated Queensland forward effort. After coming from the bench in all 12 of his appearances in his maiden season with Queensland two years ago, and the Reds' first match of 2010, Fainga'a started in the shock 41-20 win over the Crusaders during the second week of the competition at Suncorp Stadium and didn't look back, retaining the number two jersey from this point. Fainga'a missed just Queensland's final match of the season, which allowed veteran Sean Hardman to bow out by starting his last match before retirement. Fainga'a's deeds were then further recognized by his Wallabies selection, where he made his Test debut off the bench back in his native Canberra, before starting in the remaining three Tests that Australia played through the June Test window. A junior representative in rugby league until he switched to rugby union while attending Canberra's prestigious St Edmund's College, Fainga'a twice made Australian Schools in 2003 and 2004, before being appointed as skipper of the ultimately world champion Australian Under-19 side of 2006, which was coached by Phil Mooney. It was Mooney who brought Saia, and his twin brother Anthony, north to Queensland. 2010 was a big year for the Fainga'a family as a whole with Saia and Anthony both cementing themselves as starters for the Reds and then making the Wallabies while their 18-year-old brother Colby, an openside flanker, was rushed into the Brumbies squad after injury sidelined George Smith. Colby Faingaa made his debut for the Brumbies off the bench during their win over the Chiefs and later represented Australia at the Under-20 World Cup, before cementing himself as the first choice openside for the Brumbies in Super Rugby this year.

**Fast Fact:** As well as captaining Australia to success in the 2006 World Under-19 championships, Saia Fainga'a also made his Super Rugby debut that year in South Africa. He was 20 years old at the time. Twin brother Anthony made his Super Rugby debut a year later, aged 21, with the pair being out-done by their younger brother Colby, who last year made his debut off the bench for the Brumbies as an 18-year-old.



#### WILL GENIA



WALLABY TEST CAP No.835

Position: Halfback Height: 1.82m Weight: 85kg

Born: 17.01.88 Port Moresby (PNG)

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds 2006-

Representative Honours: 2008 Australia Under-20, Australian

Wallabies 2009-

Senior Tours: 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallables	2009 v New Zealand, Auckland	22	20 (4t)



#### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2009	NZ1 (rep), SA1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2 (rep), SA3, NZ3*, NZ4, E (1t), Ir, Sc, W	11	5 (1t)
2010	E2, SA1 (1t), NZ1*, NZ2, SA2 (1t), SA3*, NZ3*, NZ4*, W*, E3*, Fr	11	15 (3t)
	TOTALS	22	20 (4t)

The winner of last year's Stan Pilecki Medal as Queensland's Player of the Year, **WILL GENIA** is a vital cog in Australia's bid to claim silver ware this season. The accomplished 23-year-old was plucked from the Reds' reserves bench to join the Qantas Wallabies in 2009 and has returned a healthy dividend on that investment, becoming one of Australia's most influential players. Genia has stood in as captain at the Reds, when fellow Wallaby James Horwill has been unavailable, leading the team for all but two matches last year as Queensland enjoyed a remarkable rise up the table to finish fifth – the state's best Super Rugby placing in a decade. After making his Test debut as a replacement in the Tri Nations opener at Eden Park

in 2009, Genia gained his first start when Australia stunned South Africa 21-6 at Brisbane later in the series, reversing a heavy defeat from the previous weekend in Perth. That performance gave Genia the top ranking among Australian halfbacks, ahead of Luke Burgess, and he has largely held onto that rating ever since. Man of the match during Australia's 18-9 win over England at Twickenham later in 2009, Genia has twice appeared for the Barbarians in recent years during the famous invitation club's wins over New Zealand (2009) and South Africa (2010). Born in Port Moresby but schooled at Brisbane Boy's College, where he boarded, Genia is the son of Kilroy Genia, a former Justice and Foreign Affairs Minister in the Papua



#### WILL GENIA



New Guinea cabinet. Will is one of three halfbacks in the family, with older brother Frankie having played Test matches for the PNG Pukpuks, while younger brother Nigel is a Queensland Schools rep and was a contender for Australia's Under-20 World Cup squad this year. Will, who hadn't played rugby until he arrived in Australia for secondary schooling, emerged from obscurity when he made his Super Rugby debut. He was called into the Reds squad for the 2007 Super Rugby opener by the former Wallabies and then Queensland coach Eddie Jones without previously having played a senior club game. He was playing Colts/Under-21 rugby at the time. Genia had earlier been exposed in a Queensland XV which beat Japan in 2006, having been selected for that side from out of the state's Under-19 team.

**Fast Fact:** Although he is known to all and sundry as Will, Genia was actually christened Sanchez by his parents. Will is his second name.





## **MARI GERRARD**



**Position:** Fullback Height: 192cm Weight: 99kg

Born: 4 September 1982, Sydney

Super Rugby Team: Melbourne Rebels 2011-

**Previous Teams:** NSW Waratahs 2001-02, Brumbies 2003-07 Representative Honours: Australian Schoolboys 1999; Australian Under-19s 2000-2001, Australian U21 2001-2003; Australia A

2003-2005; Australian Wallabies 2004-2007

Senior Tours: 2004 United Kingdom & France, 2005 United Kingdom & France, 2006 United Kingdom, Ireland & Italy, 2007

Rugby World Cup (France)





\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2005	It (rep), SA1 (rep), NZ1, NZ2 (1t), E, Ir, W	7	5 (1t)
2006	E1 (1t), E2 (2t), Ir (1t), NZ1, SA1, NZ2, SA2 (1t), NZ3 (rep), SA3 (rep), Ir2, Sc (2t)	11	35 (7t)
2007	W1, W2 (rep), SA2 (1t), NZ2, Jp	5	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	23	45 (9t)

Back from a stint with NTT Communications in Japan, MARK GERRARD has returned to the fold after a strong debut season for the Melbourne Rebels. Although the big-kicking 28-year-old missed the first few matches of the inaugural extended Super Rugby competition, he quickly made his presence felt on his arrival in Victoria. Sure defensively and safe under the high ball, Gerrard offered added punch from the back, while his howitzer-like boot ensured that errant opposition kicks were, more often than not, returned with interest. Gerrard, who boasted 58 caps in Super Rugby for the Brumbies and one for NSW prior to joining Melbourne this year, is a product of Narrabeen Sports High on Sydney's northern beaches. He first rose to national prominence with the Australian Schoolboys team of 1999, and represented the country at some level in every year following 1999 until his departure for Japan after the 2007 Rugby World Cup. Gerrard shared in the Brumbies' Super Rugby title success in 2004, crossing the Crusaders goal-line three times during the final. He made his Test debut the following year and was a squad regular prior to his departure for overseas club rugby.

Fast Fact: The seven tries that Mark Gerrard scored through the 2006 Test season made him Australia's top point-scorer for that year.



#### MATT GITEAU



WALLABY TEST CAP No.780

**Position:** Inside Centre

**Height:** 178cm **Weight:** 85kg

**Born:** 29 September 1982, Sydney

Super Rugby Team: Brumbies 2003-2006, 2010-11

**Previous Team:** Western Force 2007-09

Representative Honours: Australian Under 21s 2002, Australian

Sevens 2001-2002, 2006, Australian Wallabies 2002-

**Senior Tours:** Argentina 2002, UK & Europe, 2003 RWC (Aus), UK & France 2004, UK & France 2005, UK, Ireland & Italy 2006, RWC 2007 (France), Hong Kong & Europe 2008, Japan & Europe

2009, Hong Kong & Europe 2010

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2002 v England, London	91	666 (28t, 100c, 104p, 4dg)



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2002	E (rep), It (rep).	2	
2003	SA2 (rep), NZ2 (rep), Arg* (rep), R* (rep) [1t], N* [3t], Ire* (rep), S* (rep), E* (rep).	8	20[4t]
2004	S1 [1t], E, PI [2t], NZ1 [1c], SA1 [1c,2p], NZ2 [4p], SA2 [2c], S3 [4c,1p], Fr [2p], S4 [1t,3c,1p], E2 [3p]	11	81[4t,11c,13p]
2005	Sam [5c], It [1t, 6c], F [1c, 1p], SA1 [2t, 1c, 1p], SA2 [1p], SA3 [1c, 3p], NZ1 [1c, 2p], SA4 [1p], F2, E (rep)	10	72 [3t, 15c, 9p]
2006	NZ1 (rep), SA1 [2t], NZ2, SA2, NZ3, SA3, W [1t, 3c, p], It, Ire, S	10	24 (3t, 3c, 1p)
2007	W1 (1t), W2, SA1 (1t), NZ1 (2c), SA2 (1t), NZ2 (1dg), Jap* (3c), W3* (1t, 1c), Fi*2 (2t, 4c, 3p), E*	10	61 (6t, 10c, 3p, 1dg)
2008	Ire (1c, 2p), Fr1 (1t, 4c, 2p), Fr2 (4c, 4p), SA1 (1p), NZ1* (4c, 1p, 1dg), NZ2 (1c, 1p), SA2 (3c, 2p), SA3 (1p), NZ3 (3c, 1p), NZ4 (2c), It (c, 5p), E (c, 6p) Fr3 (c, 2p), W (c, p, dg)	14	150 (1t, 26c, 29p, 2dg)
2009	It1 (1t, 3c), Fr (1t, 1c, 5p), NZ1 (1c, 3p), SA1 !t, 2c), NZ2 (6p), SA2 (2t, 2c, 2p), SA3 (1c, 2p, 1dg), NZ3 (1p), NZ4 (1c, 4p), E (1c, 2p), Ir (2c, 2p), Sc (1p), W (2c, 3p)	13	153 (5t, 17c, 31p, 1dg)
2010	Fj* (6c), E2 (2t, 2c,2p), Ir (2p), SA1 (5p), NZ1 (2c, 3p), NZ2 (1c, 1p), SA2 (4c, 1p), SA3 (4c, 1p), NZ3 (3p), NZ4* (1c), W*, E3*, Fr (rep)	13	84 (2t, 2oc, 18p)
	TOTALS	91	666 (28t, 100c, 104p, 4dg)



#### MATT GITEAU



While the year might not have concluded as he would have liked, with his last Test appearance being earned from the bench, MATT GITEAU still ended 2010 having ticked a number of statistical boxes. The 28-year-old heads into 2011 just nine caps short of becoming the fifth Australian to a century of Test caps, racing Nathan Sharpe who started off two appearances in advance of his 91 Test matches. Giteau began the year as Australia's sixth most capped player of all-time, and the second most capped back behind fellow Brumbies star Stephen Larkham, who was his backs coach at the club this year. Giteau also kicked off with 700 Test points in his sights. The conversion he kicked against the All Blacks in Hong Kong last October, which were incredibly his only points of the Spring Tour, took his career tally to within 34 of becoming just the third Australian beyond 700. The conversion was Giteau's 100th in Test rugby, while taking his career point's tally against New Zealand to 135, which is the second most scored by any player against the All Blacks. Just for good measure, the win Giteau shared in against Wales at the Millennium Stadium the following week was the 50th Test success he had featured in during his career. These milestones came after Giteau concluded his seventh Tri Nations by becoming just the fourth player in the tournament's 15-year history to have accumulated in excess of 250 points. Giteau ended last year's competition on 257. He also began this year as the eighth most prolific try-scorer in Australian Test history, with 28, which included both of the Qantas Wallabies' tries during the one-point loss to England at Sydney last June. Used predominantly as an inside centre last year, Giteau went beyond 1984 Grand Slam skipper Andrew Slack's tally of 39 appearances on the Spring Tour, to become Australia's fifth most capped centre with 43 Tests in the position. He is also Australia's third most capped flyhalf, with the two Tri Nations appearances in the number 10 jersey against the All Blacks last year while Quade Cooper was out suspended, taking his numbers as a flyhalf to 41. 2009 saw Giteau score more Test points than anyone else across the international game with 153. He finished that year by winning the John Eales Medal, and also with a nomination for the IRB's World Player of the Year title. Giteau's points in 2009 included 72 accumulated during the Tri Nations, which set a new record for the most by an Australian in one season of that competition. He took his tally of tries against South Africa to nine – the most by any Australian player against that country. He also became just the seventh player from any country to exceed 100 career points against the Springboks. For good measure – he also raised 100 career points against the All Blacks in 2009, becoming just the fourth player in history (& the third Australian) to achieve that. Last year saw Giteau return to inside centre, operating outside of Cooper in a reversal of the roles that the pair filled on the 2009 Spring tour of Europe. The move back to inside centre in Tests came after Giteau played exclusively as a flyhalf in 2009, starting 13 Tests in that position, following his return to the number 10 jersey in 2008. He had earlier dabbled with halfback during the latter stages of the John Connolly-coaching era. Although Giteau kicked 38 from 55 attempts on goal in 2010 (69 percent), his goalkicking accuracy for the Wallabies has gradually dropped away on the standards he set in 2008. That year, he kicked at 85 percent in 2008 (55 of 65), but this fell to 72 percent in 2009: (47 from 65 attempts in Test matches) and dropped again last year. The slide saw Giteau hand over the goal-kicking duties to James O'Connor for the bulk of the Spring Tour and for the Barbarians win over South Africa at Twickenham at the end of November, even though Giteau led that side. After a dominant final year at the Western Force in 2009 where he set a new record for the most points in a season, Giteau played the last two seasons back at the Brumbies, completing the 500 career Test points/500 career Super Rugby points double during his first season back in Canberra. He has signed to join French club Toulon at the end of this year. Matt was joined in the international ranks in 2009 by his older sister Kristy, who debuted for the Wallaroos as they beat Samoa to qualify for last year's women's Rugby World Cup in England. Kristy attended the World Cup tournament in England, playing her part as Australia recorded its best ever finish by claiming third.

**Fast Fact:** The try scored by James O'Connor in the 15<sup>th</sup> minute of last year's Bledisloe Cup Test at ANZ Stadium was the first Test points scored by any Australian other than Matt Giteau in a Sydney Test for 255 minutes. Prior to the O'Connor try, Giteau had scored 63 points in succession for the Wallabies in Sydney; accumulating 22 during the win over France and 18 in the one point loss to the All Blacks in 2009, and all 20 during the one-point loss to England at ANZ Stadium last season, prior to opening the Australian scoring with a penalty goal against the All Blacks in September.



#### JAMES HANSON



**Position:** Hooker **Height:** 1.83m **Weight:** 104 kg

Born: 15 September 1988, Brisbane

Team: Queensland Reds

Representative Honours: Australian Schoolboys 2005, Australia

Under-19 2006-07, Australia Under-20 2008

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
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Wallabies			



One of the real comers from the Australian Super Rugby scene this year, JAMES HANSON provided super back up for Qantas Wallabies hooker Saia Faingaa at the Queensland Reds, impressing to such an extent that he was putting the heat on Faingaa for the starting role by season's end. An Australian representative through the age-grades, Hanson is an uncompromising scrummager who also offered good value around the field. He also boasts success as a captain having led, as a 21-year-old, the University club to last year's Brisbane premier club rugby title. Hanson made his debut for the Reds from the bench during last year's startling 41-20 win over the Crusaders in Brisbane. He did not appear again last term, but filled a regular place in the match night squad this year, taking over from the retired Sean Hardman

**Did you know?:** James Hanson made a big impression when he joined the Melbourne Rebels for the solitary season of the Australian Rugby Championship in 2007. Although one of the youngest players in the squad, Hanson picked up the most improved player award at season's end as he helped the Victorians reach the competition final.



#### MIKE HARRIS



**Position:** Flyhalf/Inside Centre

Height: 1.86m Weight: 96 kg

Born: 8 July 1988, North Shore

Team: Queensland Reds

Representative Honours: New Zealand Schools, New Zealand

Under-20

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
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Wallabies			



Twenty-three-year-old **MIKE HARRIS** rolled the dice when he crossed the Tasman to join the Queensland Reds last year but the move has come up trumps. A former New Zealand Schools and Under-20 representative out of Takapuna's Westlake College, and then the North Harbour province; Harris played four seasons and 43 games in the premier division of New Zealand's NPC competition before opting to try his luck on this side of the Tasman. Originally in dialogue with former Queensland coach Phil Mooney to join the Reds for last year, the move was eventually postponed 12 months by the change of regime at the Reds, before coming to fruition for this season when the Kiwi-born utility back was added to the playing roster by Ewen McKenzie. The acquisition quickly paid off for the Reds, with Harris performing strongly in the trials to earn a spot playing outside of Quade Cooper in the adventurous Queensland backline. Capable at both flyhalf and inside centre, Harris proved an admirable foil for Cooper's extravagance, while his defence patrolling the midfield channel more than stood up to the test. The ex-Kiwi Under-20s rep, having attended the inaugural world Under-20 championships in 2008, possesses sound tactical acumen and a penetrating boot, while also being an accurate goal-kicker, with 289 points to his name during his NPC career with North Harbour. These qualities stood both Harris and Queensland in good stead during his maiden Super Rugby season, highlighting the folly of the Blues' selection team, who chose to recruit from outside of the Auckland-based franchises borders, as opposed to giving Harris a run. The judgement error is also set to be Australia's gain, with Harris qualifying for the Qantas Wallabies on heritage grounds as his grandmother was born in this country. Harris played one match during the Kiwis' win at the 2008 Under-20s, featuring in a side which included All Black graduates Zac Guildford and Sam Whitelock and 22 others who have subsequently played Super Rugby. His three games for NZ Schools in 2006 reaped three wins. Among his colleagues in that team were the future All Blacks Israel Dagg, Guildford and Whitelock among 17 of that roster who have since made their way into Super Rugby ranks.

**Did you know?**: Should Mike Harris make his Test debut for Australia, he would join fellow Wallabies: 1991 Rugby World Cup-winner Willie Ofahengaue, and current front-rower Sekope Kepu, as a senior Australian representative after first having played agegroup rugby for New Zealand.



#### SCOTT HIGGINBOTHAM



WALLABY TEST CAP No.848

**Position:** Loose Forward

Height: 1.95m Weight: 110kg Born: 05.09.86

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds 2008-

Representative Honours: 2007-08 Australian Sevens, 2010

Australian Wallabies

Senior Tours: 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v France, Paris	1	0



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	Fr (rep)	1	0
	TOTALS	1	0

Good things come to those who wait. So might say **SCOTT HIGGINBOTHAM**, after he became Wallaby # 848 during Australia's 59-16 crushing of France in Paris at the end of last year. His Test debut came after the 24-year-old had been denied the opportunity of a possible maiden international earlier in the year in South Africa, when named in the match night squad for the Test in Pretoria but then forced to withdraw after injuring his back in the warm up. Higginbotham featured for the Qantas Wallabies in both midweek matches on last year's Spring Tour before taking his maiden Test bow on an unforgettable night at the Stade de France. The occasion completed a memorable 2010 season which saw the punishing back-rower confirm the promise he had shown earlier in his career. Although born in Perth, Higginbotham rose to prominence in Queensland, joining the QRU Academy in 2007. He made his Super Rugby debut a year later in 2008, and by 2009 was a regular fixture for the Reds - which was no mean feat given that Queensland employed 36 players during an injuryriddled 2009 season. Higginbotham was one of just four players, alongside Quade Cooper, Sean Hardman and Laurie Weeks, to play all 13 games for the Reds that year. The versatile loose forward, who is equally at home as a No 8 or on the side of the scrum where he made his Test debut, has continued to underline his value through the last two seasons, closing in on 50 Super rugby appearances as the 2011 competition concluded. Higginbotham's speed and athleticism for a big man proved a useful weapon for the Australian Sevens side, who he represented during the 2007-08 IRB World Sevens Series. It also stunned the Super Rugby champion Bulls, against whom Higginbotham scored an astonishing try last year, winning a 6om sprint to the goal-line, beating two of the Bulls outside backs to the ball. Although West Australian-born, Higginbotham spent a number of his formative years in Hong Kong and Singapore where his father Peter worked as a banker. He is a keen surfer in his spare time.

**Fast Fact:** Scott Higginbotham made his Super Rugby debut in a game where the Reds manufactured the biggest point's reversal in the competition's history. After being mauled 92-3 by the South African Bulls at Pretoria in 2007, Queensland marked Higginbotham's debut by belting the same side 40-8 in Brisbane a year later.



#### MATT HODGSON



WALLABY TEST CAP No.841

Position: Loose forward

Height: 1.84m Weight: 100kg Born: 25.6.81

Super Rugby Team: Western Force 2006-

**Representative Honours:** Australia Under-21, Australia Sevens 2005, Australia A 2005, Australian Wallabies 2009-, Australian

Barbarians 2010

Senior Tours: 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v Fiji, Canberra	4	0



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	Fi (rep), E1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), It (rep)	4	0
	TOTALS	4	0

The Western Force Player of the Year for 2009 and 2010, MATT HODGSON has made the most of his chances to cement himself as club-mate David Pocock's deputy for the Qantas Wallabies. The industrious loose forward, who offers a fetching option on both the open and blindside flanks, began 2011 with four Test appearances to his name after first having debuted for the Qantas Wallabies during the non-cap 55-7 drubbing of the Barbarians at Sydney in 2009. Hodgson injured his shoulder in that match, which ruled him out of the rest of the domestic Test season, but he returned to perform strongly during the midweek Wallabies' wins over the Gloucester and Cardiff Blues clubs on the 2009 Spring Tour. The now 30-year-old finally made his Test debut in the 49-3 win over Fiji at Canberra last year, subsequently featuring from the bench in Tests against England (Perth), New Zealand (Christchurch) and Italy (Florence). Hodgson also featured for the Australian Barbarians during last year's midweek series with England before starring in the midweek tour matches against the Leicester Tigers and Munster on the 2010 Spring Tour, winning the team's internal Player of the Day award on both occasions. A product of the NSW Central Coast, Hodgson started off his rugby life as a back - at either flyhalf or centre - and only converted to the loose forwards at the age of 17. He made his state debut for NSW against Samoa in 2003 and played seven non-Super Rugby matches in the sky blue, while also appearing for Australia A and the Australian Sevens side in 2005, but was largely blocked at state level by the presence of then Test openside Phil Waugh. This circumstance saw Hodgson forced to relocate in order to gain his Super Rugby breakthrough, and the creation of the Western Force as a Super Rugby entity provided that opportunity. Hodgson was recruited by the Force from his Manly club, finally making his Super Rugby debut in the club's foundation match against the Brumbies at Perth in 2006. A wonderful servant for the Force, the durable Hodgson last year became the first back-to-back winner of the club's Player of the Year award during an injury-hit season which saw him the only forward to play every game and not be substituted on any occasion. 2010 also saw him become just the third Force player to raise a half century of appearances for the franchise.

Fast Fact: When Matt Hodgson took the field for his third Test appearance during the Tri Nations match against New Zealand in Christchurch, he was one of four players of Aboriginal descent on the field, featuring alongside Kurtley Beale, Saia and Anthony Fainga'a. This is a record for Australia in the professional era.



#### ROB HORNE



WALLABY TEST CAP No.839

Position: Centre Height: 1.86m Weight: 88kg Born: 15.08.89

**Super Rugby Team:** Waratahs 2008-

Representative Honours: 2008 – Australia Sevens, Australia

Under-20, 2009-2010 Australian Wallabies

Senior Tours: 2009 Japan & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v Fiji, Canberra	6	0



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	Fi, E1, E2, Ir*, SA1, NZ1	6	0
	TOTALS	6	0

A newcomer to Test ranks last year, after a hamstring injury forced him out of the 2009 Spring Tour, ROB HORNE could be Australia's secret midfield weapon this year. This is largely because he remains an unknown quantity to opponents at Test level, due to the relative paucity of his appearances to date. The 22-year-old showed great tenacity to force his way back into the Qantas Wallabies last year, after his Spring Tour experience in 2009 was curtailed before he even had the opportunity to take the field. Horne looked to have cemented his place in the Australian midfield for some time to come after being the only member of the backline other than Quade Cooper to start in all four Tests played by the Qantas Wallabies during the June window last year. He then started in Australia's opening two Tests of the Tri Nations before being forced to withdraw from the rest of that series due to an elbow injury. The injury cruelly re-surfaced playing against the Crusaders during this year's Super Rugby season, forcing him to miss the bulk of the tournament due to the requirement of a second operation. Such is the level of promise that Horne had shown through his career, he was just 18-years-old when he made the Waratahs in his first year out of school three seasons ago, scoring a try on run on debut against the Western Force in Perth. The Waratahs made the Super Rugby final during Horne's first season, which provided a spring board for the newcomer to go on to represent Australia in both Sevens and at the Under-20 World Cup later that same year. A second Under-20 World Cup appearance followed in 2009, with the international experience helping to lay the foundation for his introduction to Test ranks last year. Sound defensively, Horne brings great pace and attacking thrust to the midfield. He also has exhibited great awareness of his surrounds, invariably linking up with supporting runners to ensure that breaks are capitalized on.

**Fast Fact:** Rob Horne had the misfortune to have to return home early from Japan twice on two successive rugby tours in 2010, coming back from both the Under-20 World Cup and then the Wallabies Spring Tour due to hamstring injuries.



#### JAMES HORWILL



WALLABY TEST CAP No. **8**159

Position: Lock Height: 200cm Weight: 115kg

Born: 29 May 1985, Brisbane

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds 2006-

**Representative Honours:** Queensland Schools, Queensland Under 19s 2004, Australian Under 21s 2005-2006, Australia A

2006, Australian Wallabies 2006 -

Senior Tours: 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2008 Hong Kong &

Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe





\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2007	Fi	1	0
2008	Ire (1t), Fr1, Fr2* (1t), SA1, NZ1 (1t), NZ2, SA2, SA3, NZ3 (1t)	9	20 (4t)
2009	It1, It2, Fr, NZ1*, SA1, NZ2, SA2, SA3, NZ3, NZ4, E, Ir, S, W (1t)	14	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	24	25 (5t)

It is a testament to the enormity of the contribution made by **JAMES HORWILL** that he has started in every match for which he has been available, for the Qantas Wallabies, since 2008. The 25-year-old, who captains the Queensland Reds in Super Rugby, was one of just four players to feature in all 14 Test matches that were played by Australia in 2009 – but the only player to start in every one. He then had the misfortune to miss all of last year after being sidelined due to a serious knee injury which was sustained during the Reds' win over the Crusaders in round two of the 2010 Super Rugby competition. This was the second time that injury had disrupted Horwill's Test aspirations since 2008, with the big lock being forced out of the 2008 Spring Tour due to a foot ligament injury. The set-back came after he had played every match of the domestic Test season for that year. Despite missing the tour, Horwill scored four tries in 2008. He followed that up with two tries in 2009 - one in the season-opening clash against the Barbarians at the SFS, and the other in the final Test of the year, where Australia crushed Wales 3312 in Cardiff. Horwill was first selected as a midweek Wallaby in 2006, following on from a freshman Super Rugby season earlier that year where he featured in every match. Prior to the start of 2009, where his introduction was delayed due to the rehabilitation required on his foot injury, Horwill had played in every Queensland game possible since his debut – having strung together 39 in succession. He surpassed 50 Super Rugby caps for his state earlier this year, bringing up the milestone in week two against the Waratahs in Sydney. Although Queensland-based, Horwill's family originally hails from Melbourne. This saw him start off his sporting activity in Australian Rules Football before switching to rugby union when he attended Brisbane Boys College.

Fast Fact: Despite being forced to miss the 2008 Spring Tour due to injury, James Horwill still ended that year as Australia's equal top try-scorer in Tests, tying centre Ryan Cross with four



#### DIGBY IOANE



WALLABY TEST CAP No.818

**Position:** Centre/Wing

**Height:** 179cm **Weight:** 93kg

Born: 14 July 1985, Wellington, NZ

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds 2005, 2008-, Western

Force 2006-2007

Representative Honours: Australian Schoolboys 2002-2003,

Australian Under 19s 2004,

Australian Under 21s 2005, Australia A 2006, 2008, Australian

Wallabies 2007-08

**Senior Tours:** 2005 UK & France, 2008 Hong Kong & Europe,

2009 Japan & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
<u>S</u>	2007 v Wales, Brisbane	11	25 (5t)



\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2007	W2 (1t)	1	5 (1t)
2008	It, Fr3, W (1t)	3	5 (1t)
2009	NZ4, E, Ir, W (1t)	4	5 (1t)
2010	Fi (2t), E1, E2*	3	10 (2t)
	TOTALS	11	25 (5t)

Lightly tried at Test level, largely due to injury, DIGBY **IOANE** (pronounced 'Yerwanee') is poised to set the world alight this year after an injury disrupted run since his maiden Test in 2007. The powerful 26-year-old, who was born in Wellington but whose family lives in Dandenong, just outside of Melbourne; is equally capable at either centre or on the wing, and has been a key player for the Qantas Wallabies when fit and available. Ioane has twice been forced to undergo shoulder operations in recent years, managing just three Tests last term after he was restricted to just Australia's Spring tour of Japan and the British Isles the year before. Ioane has made more of an impact for the Queensland Reds in Super Rugby where he has consistently been ranked amongst the leading line-breakers in the competition. Ioane went beyond a half century of Super Rugby appearances last term, having appeared for both the Reds and the Western Force in the competition. An Australian representative in both the Under-19 and Under-21 agegrades, Ioane debuted for Queensland in 2005, before signing on for the Western Force's maiden season a year later. He was based in Perth for three years, making the Qantas Wallabies in the last of those seasons, before re-joining the Reds at the start of 2008. A try-scorer on Test debut against Wales in 2007, loane scored the first three tries of his Test career consecutively against that opponent, before grabbing a double during last year's 49-3 win over Fiji at Canberra. Ioane had exclusively been a winger until he was introduced to the midfield by Wallabies coach Robbie Deans during the 2009 Grand Slam attempt. The move ignited his career, with loane relishing the role as he compared favourably against Irish & British Lions legend Brian O'Driscoll during the latter's 100th Test match, in the Lansdowne Cup Test at Croke Park. He returned to the wing last season, but the midfield exposure has boosted Australia's depth and options in a position that had previously been the almost exclusive domain of Stirling Mortlock.



# **SEKOPE KEPU**



WALLABY TEST CAP No. 831

**Position:** Prop **Height:** 188cm **Weight:** 125kg

**Born:** 5 February 1986, Sydney **Super Rugby Team:** Waratahs 2008-

**Representative Honours:** New Zealand Under 17s 2003; New Zealand Under 19s 2004-2005; New Zealand Under 21s 2006,

Australia A 2008, Australian Wallabies 2008-

Senior Tours: 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2008 v Italy, Padova	3	0



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2008	It (rep), Fr3 (rep)	2	0
2009	Sc (rep)	1	0
	TOTALS	3	0

A product of Jonah Lomu's old school – south Auckland's Wesley College – **SEKOPE KEPU** has made himself at home in the Australian front row, after originally starting out as a strapping loose forward in the New Zealand Schools team! The powerful 25-year-old, who still ball carries with the zest of the No 8 he once was, put himself on the radar to return to the Qantas Wallabies after an excellent Super Rugby season where he excelled on both sides of the Waratahs scrum. Kepu first caught the eve of Wallabies coach Robbie Deans in 2008, being taken away on that year's Spring Tour where he featured off the bench against Italy and France, while also starting in the thrilling 18-11 win over a powerful Barbarians combination at Wembley. The Sydney-born front-ranker sustained a torn pectoral muscle during the Wembley game, which delayed his start to 2009, although he returned at the back end of that year's Super Rugby competition to earn inclusion on a second Spring Tour, gaining his third cap during Australia's Test against Scotland. After missing out on Wallaby selection last year, Kepu was a consistent performer in Super Rugby this year, critically taking his chances on both sides of the scrum, which underlined his versatility. Kepu was converted to the front row by All Black scrum coach Mike Cron in his first year out of school in 2005, having starred as Wesley's No 8 and captain during a school career that saw him appear as a loose forward for New Zealand in both the Under-17s and Under-19s. After finishing school, Kepu was a member of the Chiefs wider training group of players for three straight years between 2005 and 2007, while also appearing for the Counties Manukau province in the NPC during that time and the New Zealand Under-21s in 2006. His NPC form through 20 matches for Counties attracted the Waratahs, who signed him up for the 2008 Super Rugby competition. The Randwick prop made the Australia A squad for the 2008 Pacific Nations Cup before his introduction to the Wallabies later that year. Sekope is the second member of his family to play international rugby: his elder brother Sione Kepu was a New Zealand Sevens rep in 2001, while also appearing for Auckland and Counties Manukau in the NPC as a No 8.

**Fast Fact:** Sekope Kepu carries the middle name Miami, which was given to him due to a family following of the action television series 'Miami Vice' around the time that he was borrn.



#### SALESI MA'AFU



WALLABY TEST CAP No.838

Position: Prop Height: 1.84m Weight: 126kg Born: 22/3/83

**Super Rugby Team:** Brumbies

Representative Honours: 2007 Australia A, 2008 Australia A,

2009- Australian Wallabies

Senior Tours: 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v Fiji	10	0



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	Fi*, E1*, E2*, Ir, SA1*, NZ1*, NZ2*, SA2*, SA3*, NZ3*	10	0
	TOTALS	10	0

Probably the biggest improver in Australian Rugby last year, alongside fullback Kurtley Beale, was the powerful prop SALESI MA'AFU. The combative Brumbies tighthead lined up for Rugby World Cup season full of confidence after he overcame a tough start to his Test career to handle the best that the Springbok and All Black front rows could throw at him during last year's Tri Nations. Ma'afu was one of just three players to start in all 10 domestic Tests played by the Qantas Wallabies last year. This, on its own, says much about the level of the Ma'afu impact; especially given that he was experiencing his first Test season as a Wallaby, and the other two players to start every domestic Test were the skipper, Rocky Elsom, and high class flanker David Pocock. Ma'afu was first introduced to the Qantas Wallabies on the 2009 Spring Tour where he featured in both midweek matches. He appeared off the bench in the Brumbies first match of the season, but then cemented himself as the team's first choice tighthead prop, forming an all-Wallaby front-row alongside Ben Alexander and Stephen Moore. He scored two tries

during the Super Rugby season, and then made his Test debut on his home ground at Canberra. Ma'afu had the surreal experience of marking his brother Campese, who was also on debut, when Australia beat Fiji 49-3 in June. The pair became just the fourth set of brothers to oppose each other in Tests, and the first to achieve this feat when both were on debut. A bizarre night against England in Perth followed where the young Australian front row - with just two previous Test caps between them - conceded two penalty tries; but the Wallabies bounced back strongly from that experience, with Ma'afu leading the way. Australia was far more competitive up front in the rematch a week later, and Ma'afu then helped dominate the Irish scrum in Brisbane as he completed his first 80-minute performance in a Test during Australia's 22-15 win. Further personal success followed in the same city a month later when Ma'afu was the Australian team's internal Man of Gold in the 30-13 win over South Africa which opened the Tri Nations. The 28-year-old continued to perform



## SALESI MA'AFU



strongly for the rest of the competition, complimenting his improving scrummaging with a significant increase in work load in general play around the field, most notably on defence. Ma'afu made his entry into the Wallabies in 2009 after having appeared for Australia A in 2007 and 2008. He featured in both midweek matches on the Spring Tour, starting in the 36-5 defeat of Gloucester at Kingsholm before he came off the bench as a replacement during the 31-3 win over the Cardiff Blues. The Sydney-born prop, who boasts both Tongan and Fijian heritage and lists ex All Black No 8 Zinzan Brooke as his childhood hero, was educated at Granville and Ashfield Boys' High Schools in Sydney and played rugby league as a youngster in the Balmain district before starting up with rugby aged 11. Ma'afu first made his mark at representative level in the NSW Under-19 side in 2001 and 2002, later featuring in the Waratahs Academy through 2004 and 2005. In 2006, he headed south to Canberra to join the Brumbies, making his Super Rugby debut a year later. 2007 also saw Ma'afu make the Australia A squad, ending his year with a late-season appearance for the British Barbarians club during its 22-5 win over the new Rugby World Cup holders, South Africa. Two years ago, Ma'afu returned to West Harbour in the NSW club competition, after spending two years with Warringah. The father of four can play on both sides of the scrum although he is primarily a tighthead. At the end of 2009, he resisted overtures to join Irish club Munster in order to stay in the Australian system. Ma'afu, who toured Europe with the Brumbies development side in 2009, has previous experience playing in England, enjoying a short stint with English Premiership side Leicester Tigers while he was in the UK to play for the Baabaas three years ago. He acted as the understudy to Test props Julian White (England) and Martin Castrogiovanni (Italy) during that experience, and then got to pack down against White when the Wallabies beat Leicester 26-15 last year. Ma'afu plays alongside his brother Campese with West Harbour in the NSW Shute Shield competition, and has captained the club on occasion.

**Fast Fact:** The brother of Salesi Ma'afu, Campese Ma'afu, was named after the legendary Wallaby winger David Campese, who starred on the 1984 Wallaby Grand Slam Tour. Salesi has subsequently named his son Campese – after his brother!



#### PAT MCCABE



WALLABY TEST CAP No.847

**Position:** Centre/Wing

Height: 1.86m Weight: 92kg Born: 21.03.88

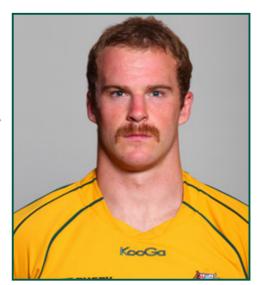
**Super Rugby Team:** Brumbies

**Representative Honours:** 2005 Australia A Schools, 2007 Australian Under-19, 2010 Australian Sevens, 2010 Australian

Wallabies

Senior Tours: 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v Italy, Florence	1	0



\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	It (rep)	1	0
	TOTALS	1	0

The 847<sup>th</sup> Wallaby, when he replaced Adam Ashley Cooper during the final moments of last year's Test against Italy in Florence, PAT MCCABE followed up his maiden Test selection with an impressive showing for the Brumbies in this year's Super Rugby season. The talented 23-year-old performed strongly primarily operating from fullback, although he is equally capable in the midfield where his strong running and sound defensive work offer a safe pair of hands. This was illustrated by his work-load last year, when McCabe was selected for two Australian national teams within a month, called up by both the Australian Sevens team and then the Qantas Wallabies. McCabe was initially included in the Australian team for the Commonwealth Games Sevens in New Delhi, India, but was forced to withdraw through injury. Fortunately those problems cleared in time for him to rejoin fellow winger and Sevens rep Lachie Turner in the Wallabies Spring Tour squad, after both players were called into the Qantas

Wallabies for the final three matches of the Tri Nations. McCabe's Test debut in Italy came after a long wait. He'd been in training with the team since the mid stages of the Tri Nations, joining the two-match tour of South Africa. The Spring Tour saw McCabe feature at centre in both midweek matches against the Leicester Tigers and Munster before his promotion into the Test squad for the penultimate game of the tour. Test selection completed a massive 2010 after he had only debuted in Super rugby with the Brumbies in February of that year. McCabe scored a try in just his second Super Rugby match, when the Brumbies scored 32 points against the Bulls at Loftus Versfeld, and quickly cemented his place as a Super Rugby player, being a regular on the wing at the Brumbies during his debut year. McCabe finished his maiden Super Rugby journey as one of just seven players within the Brumbies side to play all 13 matches, and one of just two backs to do so, alongside Adam Ashley-Cooper. Like Ashley-



#### PAT MCCABE



Cooper, he offers versatility, having played fullback, wing and centre at rep level. A product of the Warringah Rats club on Sydney's northern beaches, McCabe first sprang to prominence six years ago when he made the Australia A Schools team playing out of Sydney's St Aloysius' College. That recognition saw him picked up by the NSW Academy, taking part in their development tour of Europe in 2006, where he made his debut against Northampton. The following year, McCabe featured for the title-winning Central Coast Rays in the only season of the Australian Rugby Championship. He was also selected for the Australian Under-19s, appearing four times - alternating between flyhalf and fullback - during the final IRB Under-19 World Cup which was held in Northern Ireland. Australia finished third at that tournament. McCabe helped the Rats to the semi-finals of the 2008 (NSW) Shute Shield competition, before signing for the Brumbies in 2009. After performing well during the Brumby Runners programme, which included scoring tries against each of the Junior Waratahs and the Australian Barbarians, McCabe was included on the Brumbies Development tour of France in 2009, making his full Brumbies debut against French club Bourgoin. The newcomer went to appear four times during the trip, being voted as the Player of the Tour by his team-mates. A capable allround footballer, who is solid defensively, both in the tackle and under the high ball; McCabe also possesses a useful kicking game.

**Fast Fact:** Pat McCabe's progression was recognized by his peers at the end of 2010 when he was named as the Australian Rugby Players Association's Rookie of the Year



#### BEN McCALMAN



WALLABY TEST CAP No.845

Position: Loose forward

**Height:** 1.92m **Weight:** 106kg **Born:** 18.03.88

Super Rugby Team: Western Force

Representative Honours: 2008-09 Australian Sevens, 2010

Australian Barbarians, 2010 Australian Wallabies

Senior Tours: 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v South Africa, Brisbane	9	0



#### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	SA1 (rep), SA2 (rep), SA3*, NZ3*, NZ4, W, E3, It, Fr	9	0
	TOTALS	9	0

A surprise inclusion in the 2009 pre-Spring Tour Qantas Wallabies training squad, BEN MCCALMAN kicked on from that experience last term, debuting against the Springboks in Brisbane and going on to conclude the year as Australia's starting No 8. The abrasive 23-yearold, who was raised in country NSW growing up on a 6000ha wheat farm at Warren which is near Dubbo, featured in every game for the Western Force during his maiden season in Super Rugby in 2010. Selection for the Australian Barbarians' two-match midweek series with England followed, with McCalman starting on the blindside flank in both games and impressing to the extent that he was promoted into Australia's squad for the Tri Nations. After making his debut off the bench in front of his family, who'd travelled up from the family farm, during the 30-13 win over South Africa at Brisbane; McCalman gained his second cap off the bench during the loss to the same opponent at Pretoria. Rewarded with a maiden start on the back of the scrum a week later, the rangy utility forward featured strongly as Australia recorded its first win on the high veldt in the Republic for 47 years. McCalman was retained in the starting XV for the closing Tri Nations match against the All Blacks a week later, and

set up Australia's first try with a strong blindside run, as the Qantas Wallabies were narrowly edged 23-22. He then started every match on the Spring Tour to cement his position in the top XV. McCalman had joined the national squad after an impressive first season for the Force where he won the franchise's Rising Star award. While the club's injury problems last year proved testing for players and fans alike, McCalman made the most of the additional playing opportunities that were provided, featuring regularly, operating primarily as a blindside flanker. This year he alternated between the back of the scrum and the second row for the club. The Sydney University forward, who had been the subject of a two-year pursuit by the Force before he was finally recruited by the club, improved with each match he played during his debut season, providing a useful additional catching option at the back end of the Force lineout. McCalman's inclusion in the 2009 Spring Tour Train on squad was his second national recognition of the season. Unusually for a big man, the first had come for the Australian Sevens team during a stint which took in the 2009 International Sevens Adelaide tournament.



## PAT McCUTCHEON



Position: Loose forward

Height: 1.87m Weight: 102kg Born: 24.06.87

Super Rugby Team: NSW Waratahs 2010-

**Representative Honours:** 2005 Australian Schoolboys, 2006 Australia Under-19s, 2007-10 Australian Sevens, 2010 Australian

Barbarians, 2010 Australian Wallabies **Senior Tours:** 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies			



A product of the Australian Sevens programme, in which he has excelled for the last three years, national Sevens captain PAT MCCUTCHEON earned his call up for last year's Qantas Wallabies Spring Tour after performing well in the mid-year Australian Barbarians series against England. The 24-year-old, who hails from Narromine in country New South Wales, made his Super Rugby debut as a blindside flanker towards the tail end of last year's competition, featuring in the Waratahs final four matches, including the semi-final against the Stormers at Cape Town. Selection for the Australian Barbarians followed, with McCutcheon coming off the bench during the 28-28 draw in Perth, before starting the following week when England edged the home side 15-9 in the return match at Gosford. A product of St Josephs College in Sydney, which also produced Kurtley Beale and Luke Burgess, McCutcheon featured for the Australian Schoolboys on their tour of Great Britain and Ireland in 2005, and was a member of the IRB world championship-winning Australian team at the last Under-19 World Cup in the United Arab Emirates a year later. His national Sevens debut came on the 2007-08 IRB world circuit

and he has been one of the mainstays of Michael O'Connor's side ever since; featuring in the first five tournaments of the 2009-10 world circuit before Super Rugby commitments with the Waratahs last year forced him to miss the final legs of the series. That meant McCutcheon missed out on Australia's win in the London Sevens – the country's first success in a tournament on the world circuit since 2002. He gained partial compensation for that by selection for a Super Rugby semi-final, with further acknowledgement of his efforts coming when he was appointed to lead Australia's team at the Commonwealth Games Sevens tournament in New Delhi, India. McCutcheon joined the Qantas Wallabies for the Spring Tour following that experience where the Aussies bagged the silver medal. He wound up appearing as a replacement in both of the midweek matches at Leicester and Munster, before continuing to act as Phil Waugh's deputy at the Waratahs during this year's Super Rugby competition.



#### DREW MITCHELL



WALLABY TEST CAP No.799

**Position:** Wing/Fullback

**Height:** 182cm **Weight:** 95kg

Born: 26 March 1984, Sydney

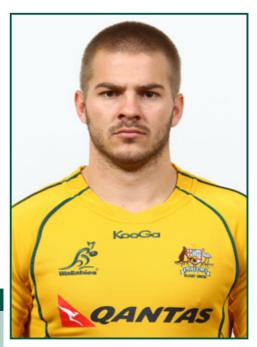
**Super Rugby Team:** Queensland Reds 2003-2006, Western Force

2007-09, NSW Waratahs 2010-

**Representative Honours:** Australian Under 16s 2000, Australian Schoolboys 2001, Australian Sevens 2002, Australian U21s 2003-2004, Australia A 2004-2006, Australian Wallabies 2005, 2007-

**Senior Tours:** 2004 UK & France, 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2007 RWC (France), 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2005 v South Africa, Sydney	55	135 [26t]



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2005	SA1 [1t] (rep), SA2 (rep), SA3 (rep), NZ1 [1t], SA4, NZ2, F2 (rep) [1t], E [1t], Ire [2t], W	10	30 (6t)
2006		0	0
2007	W1, W2 [1t], Fi1, SA1, SA2 (rep), NZ2, Jap* [2t] (rep), W3*, Fi2* [3t], C* [2t], E* (rep)	11	40 [8t}
2008	NZ1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2, SA3 (rep, 1t), NZ4 (2t), E, F3, W	8	15 (3t)
2009	It1, Fr, NZ1, SA1, NZ2, SA2 (rep), SA3, NZ3, E, Ir (1t), S, W	12	5 (1t)
2010	Fi (1t), E1, E2, Ir, SA1 (1t), NZ1 (1t), NZ2, SA2, SA3 (1t), NZ4 (1t), W, E3, It (1t), Fr* (3t)	13	30 (6t)
	TOTALS	55	135 [26t]

The 34<sup>th</sup> Australian player to appear in 50 Test matches, **DREW MITCHELL** ended 2010 by claiming the second Test hat-trick of his career during the Qantas Wallabies' record 59-16 thumping of Six Nations champions France in Paris. The tries were the seventh, eighth and ninth of the Test season for Mitchell, which saw him

fall just one short of Lote Tuqiri's record for the most in one year by a Wallaby. The haul in Paris represented just the 25<sup>th</sup> Test hat-trick scored by an Australian, and the first to be scored against France. It lifted Mitchell's career tally to 26, which moved him up to eighth on the all-time Australian try-scoring list. Mitchell ended his



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busy 2010 season a week later by claiming two tries for the Barbarians during their win over South Africa at Twickenham. He had earlier started Australia's Spring Tour with a try during the thrilling 26-24 win over the All Blacks in Hong Kong. The try was the fifth Mitchell had scored against New Zealand from 12 Tests, which included the one scored earlier in the year when the two teams met in Melbourne. After starting the 2010 season as a touch and go selection in the Test side, Mitchell made the most of the chance when it came. The speedy 26-year-old was originally omitted from the Tri Nations squad after a patchy performance in the June Tests which included a number of defensive lapses, but later gained a reprieve and made the most of it, touching down three times in his five Tri Nations outings. His third try came during his 50th Test match, and brought Australia back into the game after South Africa looked to have stolen a winning break during the Wallabies' historic 41-39 win at Bloemfontein. While Mitchell strained his hamstring in the act of scoring the try, and so missed the end of the game and the following week's Test against New Zealand; his try was crucial as Australia snapped its 47-year drought on the South African high veldt. The high of Bloemfontein followed just a month after Mitchell controversially became the first player to be ejected from an Australia-New Zealand Test in 161 games, when he was the recipient of two yellow cards during the opening Bledisloe Cup Test of the year in Melbourne. Mitchell joined the Waratahs last year and made an immediate impact, scoring nine tries for the team en-route to its semi-final finish in Super Rugby. Four of those were claimed on one evening as the Waratahs crushed the Lions at the Sydney Football Stadium. The good form shown in the sky blue of NSW followed on from a strong 2009 performance where Mitchell appeared in 12 of Australia's 14 Tests, including all four on the tour of Great Britain and Ireland. The decision to join NSW from the Western Force meant that Mitchell has appeared for three of the now five Australian Super Rugby provinces, having started off in Queensland before a three-season stint in Perth. In 2007, Mitchell scored seven tries from five matches at the Rugby World Cup (including his maiden Test hat-trick against Fiji) to finish up as the tournament's second highest try-scorer, despite Australia bowing out at the quarterfinal stage.

**Fast Fact:** Australian Schoolboys captain on the tour of the United Kingdom in 2001, Drew Mitchell also led the 2004 Australian Under-21 side at the world championships in Scotland.





# STEPHEN MOORE



WALLABY TEST CAP No.796

**Position:** Hooker **Height:** 186cm **Weight:** 112kg

Born: 20 January 1983, Saudi Arabia

**Super Rugby Team:** Queensland Reds 2003-08, Brumbies 2009-**Representative Honours:** Australian Under 21s 2003-2004,

Australia A 2004-2005, Australian Wallabies 2005-

**Senior Tours:** 2005 France & UK, 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2007 RWC (France), 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2005 v Samoa, Sydney	55	15 [3t]



#### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2005	Sam (rep), It (rep), F (rep), SA2 (rep), SA3 (rep), F2 (rep)	7	0
2006	It (rep), Ire (rep), S [1t]	3	5 [1t]
2007	W1, W2, SA1, NZ1, NZ2, Jap*, W3*, Fi2*, E*	9	0
2008	Ire*, Fr1*, Fr2*, SA1*, NZ1*, NZ2*, SA2*, SA3 (rep), NZ3*, NZ4, It, E, Fr3 (1t), W	14	5 (1t)
2009	lt1, Fr, NZ1, SA1*, NZ2*, SA2*, SA3 (rep), NZ3 (rep), NZ4*, E*, Ir*, S*, W*	13	0
2010	SA1 (rep), NZ1*, SA2 (rep), SA3 (1t), NZ3, NZ4*, E3, It*	8	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	55	15 [3t]

Australia's drought-breaking 41-39 win over South Africa at Bloemfontein last year was a massive occasion in the life of **STEPHEN MOORE**. Not only did the win snap a 47-year, 12-game, run of misses for the Qantas Wallabies on the South African high veldt; it also allowed the now 28-year-old hooker to celebrate the milestone of his 50th Test with a win. And he scored the third try of his Test career to boot. Moore became the 33rd Australian player, and the fourth hooker, to reach 50 Tests that night at Vodacom Park. In adding a 51st appearance, the following week against the All Blacks in Sydney, he became the third most capped Wallabies hooker, eclipsing the 50 Tests attained by his former

coach, Michael Foley. Rated by no less of a judge than Sean Fitzpatrick as the premier hooker in the game in 2008, Moore was forced to endure a late entry to the Test scene last year, being delayed until the Tri Nations after he broke his jaw during the Brumbies final match of Super Rugby against the Crusaders in Christchurch. Moore had performed strongly in Super Rugby, backing up a big finish to 2009 where he had started in all five Tests on the Spring Tour of Europe. This revival came after a below par 2009 Tri-Nations campaign saw him slip behind his perennial understudy Tatafu Polota-Nau in ranking for the last two matches of the series.



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Moore first made the Wallabies in 2005 but it wasn't until 2007 that he began to establish himself, starting in all but one of Australia's matches at the Rugby World Cup. By 2008, he was a permanent fixture in the Australian front row, joining flyhalf Matt Giteau as the only player to appear in all 14 Tests played by the Qantas Wallabies during a record breaking year. He was also man of the match during Australia's 28-14 Cook Cup defeat of England at Twickenham – a performance that drew the illustrious praise bestowed on him by the 92-cap All Black hooking legend, Fitzpatrick. Although he surrendered the starting position briefly to Polota Nau at the back end of the 2009 Tri Nations, Moore still featured in all but one of the 14 Tests that Australia played that year. Moore had switched from Brisbane to Canberra earlier in 2009, advancing beyond 50 Super Rugby caps during his maiden season with the Brumbies; for whom he featured in 12 of the 13 matches. Last year, he also doubled his tally of career tries in Super Rugby, scoring against both the Western Force and the Lions. Born in the Middle East, but of west Irish descent, Moore immigrated to the Queensland

mining town of Mount Morgan with his family when he was five. He still has a large family based in Ireland, which includes cousin Patrick O'Rourke, who in 2009 appeared for Meath in a Gaelic Football quarter-final at Croke Park. Meath lost that match to the eventual All Ireland champions, Kerry. Outside of his Gaelic Football interest, Moore retains his Irish family's love of horse racing; and dreamed of being a jockey as a child, eventually surrendering the idea in his early teens when it became apparent that his body wouldn't be suited to such a pastime. The affable front rower is also a passionate fan of Liverpool Football Club and aspires to one day watch his beloved Reds in action live at Anfield.

**Fast Fact:** Stephen Moore made his Test debut off the bench in the same game – against Samoa at Sydney in 2005 – that saw the current Qantas Wallabies skipper, and his good mate, Rocky Elsom first grace the Australian jersey. Both players went on to surpass 50 Test caps for their country last year.





#### LUKE MORAHAN



**Position:** Fullback/Wing

Height: 1.91m Weight: 93kg Born: 13.04.90

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds

Representative Honours: Australia Sevens 2008-2010,

Australian Wallabies 2009-

Senior Tours: 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
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A member of the Qantas Wallabies on each of the last two Spring Tours, LUKE MORAHAN completed two non-Test Australian matches prior to his 21st birthday, starting his first match at senior level for Australia during the loss to Munster at Limerick last November. Morahan had made his debut for Australia a year earlier, scoring a try with his first touch of the ball during Australia's 31-3 win over the Cardiff Blues. The 21-yearold, who was plucked from relative obscurity by Robbie Deans to feature on the 2009 tour taking the place of an injured Stirling Mortlock, has largely featured on the wing or from fullback for the Queensland Reds, although much of his club play has been at centre. The speedy utility has used the Sevens development pathway as a road into international rugby after excelling for his country in the abridged version of the game. Morahan went on last year's Wallaby tour after competing for Australia at the Commonwealth Games Sevens in New Delhi, India, where he shared in the team's silver medal-winning performance. The young Queenslander had already showcased his try-scoring prowess on the IRB Sevens circuit, finishing the 2008-09 campaign as both Australia's leading try-scorer, and the only Australian to finish on the top try-scoring list for that series. His haul of tries included five at the

2009 Rugby World Cup Sevens at Dubai, which was the second-most number of tries scored by any player at that tournament. Born and raised in Brisbane, Morahan first represented his state in the Under-16s, and then played for Australia A Schools, prior to joining the Queensland Academy. He made his Super Rugby debut at the tail end of the 2009 competition, having earlier toured Europe with the Reds Academy in 2008. After playing two matches in his first season, Morahan was a regular in the match night squad for the Reds in 2010, opening his try-scoring account with a game-turning try during Queensland's come-frombehind win over the Chiefs in Hamilton, which was the state's first win in New Zealand for five years. Morahan was poised for selection at the 2009 Under-20 World Cup but was ruled out by a shoulder injury which required surgery. He then made a surprise return when summoned by Deans to join the Wallabies' camp for the final two weeks of the 2009 Spring tour.

**Fast Fact:** Luke Morahan touched down 27 times during the duration of the 2008-09 IRB world sevens circuit, which was fourth overall, but just one-try behind the two players who finished as the joint second leading try-scorers in the competition.



#### STIRLING MORTLOCK



WALLABY TEST CAP No.759

**Position:** Centre/Inside Centre

**Height:** 191cm **Weight:** 100kg

Born: 20 May 1977, Sydney

Super Rugby Team: Brumbies 1998-2010, Melbourne Rebels

2011-

**Representative Honours:** Australian Under 19s 1996, Australian Under 21s 1997-1998, Australian Barbarians 1997, Australian Wallahing and Australian Barbarians 1997, Australian

Wallabies 2000-

**Senior Tours:** 1997 Argentina, 2000 Japan, France & UK, 2002 Argentina, UK & Europe, 2003 RWC (Aus), 2004 UK & France, 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2007 RWC (France), 2008 Hong Kong & Europe

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CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2000 v Argentina, Brisbane	80	489 [29t,61c,74p]



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

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YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2000	Arg1, Arg2 [1t,1c,5p], SA1 [2t,2c,5p], NZ1 [2t,2c,2p], SA2 [1t,2c,4p], NZ2 [1t,1c,3p], SA3 [1c,4p], Fr, S, E	10	122[7t,9c,23p]
2001		0	0
2002	Fr1, Fr2 [2t, 1c, 1p], NZ1, SA1 [1t, 1p], NZ2, SA2, Arg [1t], Ire, E, It [1t]	10	33[5t,1c,2p]
2003	R* [1t] (rep), N* [1t], S* [1t], NZ* [1t], E*	5	20[4t]
2004	S2, E, PI [2t], NZ1 [1t], SA1, NZ2, SA2 [1t], S3 [1t], Fr, S4	10	25[5t]
2005	Sam [2t, 2c], It [1c], F1, SA2 [1c], SA3, NZ1	6	18[2t,4c]
2006	E1 [2c, 5p], <b>E2</b> [5c, 1p], Ire [3c, 2p], NZ1 [1c], SA1 [5c, 2p], NZ2 [3p], SA2 [2c, 2p], NZ3 [3c, 2p], SA3 [1c, 3p], It [1t, 2c, 2p], Ire2 [2p], S [5c, 3p]	12	144 [1t, 29c, 27p]
2007	W 1 (3c, 1p), W2 (2c, 4p), Fi (rep), SA1 (1c, 4p), NZ1 (2p), SA2 (2c, 2p), NZ2 (3p), Jap* (7c, 2p), W3* (1t, 2c, 1p), E* (1c, 1p)	10	101 [1t, 18c, 20p]
2008	Ire, Fr1 (1t), Fr2, SA1 (1t), NZ2, SA2 (1t), SA3, NZ3, NZ4, It, E, F3, W	13	21 (3t, 2p)
2009	It 1 (1t, rep), Fr, NZ1, SA1*	2	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	80	489 [29t,61c,74p]



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The fourth highest point-scorer in Australian Test history, STIRLING MORTLOCK returned to Wallaby contention this year after a strong showing for expansion Super Rugby team, the Melbourne Rebels. Alternating between inside and outside centre, Mortlock provided much of the go forward amongst the Rebels backs, while also marshalling the side expertly as the Victorians' inaugural skipper. Australia's 73rd Test captain between 2006 and 2009, Mortlock led the Qantas Wallabies on 28 occasions in Tests – only three players have captained Australia in more Test matches. He is also just 11 points short of becoming the fourth Australian to surpass 500 Test points, while the 29 Test tries he has scored is joint fourth for the Qantas Wallabies alongside Matthew Burke. Just for good measure on the statistical front, Mortlock was also the first player in history to eclipse the 1000-point barrier in Super Rugby. A Test player since 2000, Mortlock that year kicked the injury-time penalty goal which allowed Australia to beat South Africa 19-18 at Durban in order to claim the country's first Tri Nations title. In 2003, his was the runaway intercept try in the semi-final which led to the highly favoured All Blacks being knocked out of the Rugby World Cup. 11 years on from his debut, just six players have appeared for Australia on more occasions than has Mortlock. Heading into 2011, the most recent Test of the Mortlock career was the 2009 Tri Nations match against South Africa at Cape Town where he was forced from the field due to injury. He attended the 2003 and 2007 Rugby World Cups, leading Australia at the latter event.

**Fast Fact**: Although best known for his exploits with the Canberra-based Brumbies, whom he served through 117 matches between 1998 and 2010, Stirling Mortlock was raised in Sydney, schooling at The King's School and playing his club rugby for the Gordon Highlanders.



## **DEAN MUMM**



WALLABY TEST CAP No.823

**Position:** Lock/Flanker

**Height:** 196cm **Weight:** 113kg

**Born:** 5 March 1984, Auckland, NZ **Super Rugby Team:** Waratahs 2007-

**Representative Honours:** Australian Schoolboys 2002; Australian Barbarians 2004; Australian Under 21s 2005; Australia A 2007;

Australian Wallabies 2008-

**Senior Tours:** 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe





\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2008	Ir (rep), Fr 1 (rep), Fr 2, SA 2 (rep), SA 3 (rep), NZ4, It, E (rep), Fr3, W (rep)	10	0
2009	It1, It2, Fr, SA1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), NZ4 (rep), E (rep), Sc (rep), W	9	0
2010	Fi, E1, E2, Ir, SA1, NZ1, NZ2, SA2 (1t), SA3 (rep), NZ3 (rep), NZ4 (rep), W (rep), E3 (rep)	13	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	32	5 (1t)

One of five players to feature in all 10 domestic Tests played by the Qantas Wallabies last year; **DEAN MUMM** has also captained both the midweek Wallaby team and the NSW Waratahs in Super Rugby. The New Zealand-born utility forward, whose grandfather played for the All Blacks, scored his maiden Test try during last year's Tri Nations loss to South Africa at Pretoria. Mumm's versatility – he has played both as a blindside flanker and as a lock forward in Tests – has helped around the selection table, allowing him to surpass a half century of appearances for the Waratahs in Super Rugby. It has also proved advantageous at national level, where Mumm debuted a little over a year after first appearing in Super Rugby. A product of the hugely influential Sydney University club, Mumm is the son of

John Mumm, who sits as the NSW representative on the Australian Rugby Union board. The now 27-year-old made his debut for Australia as a blood bin replacement against Ireland at the start of 2008 in what was Robbie Deans' first Test as Wallabies coach. His first Test start was achieved against France a few weeks later. He then played a leading hand as a first half replacement for Daniel Vickerman in the Wallabies' first win on South African soil for eight years, at Durban during the 2008 Tri-Nations. Mumm show-cased his even handed temperament on that occasion as he hadn't even been an original selection for the game and only found out he would be involved on match morning, after food poisoning struck down Hugh McMeniman. Mumm rounded out a hugely satisfying



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first year as a Wallaby when he joined Luke Burgess and Mark Chisholm as the only players to appear in all six matches on the Wallabies Spring Tour. 2009 saw Mumm start all 13 matches played by the Waratahs in Super Rugby, with 11 of his appearances coming as a lock, before he added a further nine Test appearances during the Wallabies programme, while also captaining the midweek side to wins against Gloucester and the Cardiff Blues. Although Dean was born in Auckland, the Mumm family hails from Westport on the west coast of New Zealand's South Island.

**Fast Fact:** A former captain of the King's School first XV, for whom he played alongside fellow Wallaby Benn Robinson, Dean Mumm also captained NSW Schools and the Australian Schoolboys. The Mumm name is strongly linked to Sydney University. Dean's elder brother Greg is the Coaching Director at the club, having previously coached Northern Suburbs and also having acted as an assistant coach with surprise quarter-finalists Fiji at the 2007 Rugby World Cup. Greg Mumm will be in the coaching box for Fiji again in New Zealand this year.





## JAMES O'CONNOR



WALLABY TEST CAP No.832

**Position:** Utility Back

Height: 180cm Weight: 88kg Born: 5 July, 1990

**Super Rugby Team:** Western Force 2008-2010

Representative Honours: Australian Schools 2007, Australian

Sevens 2008, Australian Wallabies 2008-

Senior Tours: 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2008 v Italy, Padova	27	119



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2008	It (rep)	1	0
2009	It 1 (3t), It 2 (2c, 1p), Fr (rep), NZ1 (rep), SA1(rep), NZ2*, SA2, SA3 (1t), NZ3, NZ4, Ir (rep), Sc (rep), W (rep)	13	27 (4t, 2c, 1p)
2010	E1 (3c,p), E2, Ir, SA1 (1c,1p), NZ1, NZ2, SA2 (2t), SA3 (1t, 1c), NZ3 (1t), NZ4 (1t, 2c), W (2c, 2p), E3 (c, 2p), Fr (1t, 6c, 4p)	13	92 (6t, 16c,10p)
	TOTALS	27	119 (10t, 18c, 11p)

An established Test player for three seasons now, after making his debut at the tail end of 2008, **JAMES O'CONNOR** begins 2011 poised to make a massive impact at his first Rugby World Cup. No longer the teen-aged assassin — O'Connor enjoyed his 20<sup>th</sup> birthday last year and heads into the World Cup as a 21-year-old — the Western Force star last year scored four tries through his second Tri Nations, before piling on an Australian record 29 points during the seasonending 59-16 drubbing of France in Paris. The points haul in Paris followed last October's Bledisloe Cup Test in Hong Kong where O'Connor scored an after the final siren try, and coolly converted it from the sideline

to beat New Zealand and end Australia's run of 10 successive defeats against the All Blacks. O'Connor took over the Test goal-kicking duties from Matt Giteau after that night. This allowed him to become the second youngest player in history, behind England's Jonny Wilkinson, to crack 100 Test points. He finished last year with 26 successes from 35 attempts on goal at 74 percent. As well as being a record in Australian-France Test matches, the 29 points O'Connor claimed in Paris set a new record for a Wallaby in matches played outside of Australia, eclipsing the 25 points Matthew Burke had tallied against the French during the 1999 Rugby World Cup final in Cardiff. The 20th Australian



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player to surpass three figures in Test points, O'Connor started 2011 having played two more Test matches for his country than he had Super Rugby matches for the Force. He started last year at fullback but was switched to the wing for the Tri Nations and ended up playing 10 of Australia's last 11 Tests of the year from that position. A further change saw O'Connor fielded at flyhalf for much of this year's Super Rugby season by the Force. Prior to last year's Tri Nations, O'Connor had received most of his international exposure as a fullback, picking up the second hat-trick of his international career from the position when crossing the line three times during the Australian Barbarians' 28-28 draw with England in the midweek tour match in Perth. The feat, which was achieved in 43 minutes, saw the Perth youngster elevated to the Test line-up for the remainder of the domestic programme after he had sat out the season opener against Fiji. The youngest ever scorer of a Test hat-trick in 2009 when he scored three tries against Italy at Canberra, O'Connor started 2011 having missed just three of the last 29 Tests played by Australia. Already, at 18 years and 126 days old, the second youngest player to ever appear for the Wallabies when he made his debut against Italy at Padova in late 2008, O'Connor became the first Australian player to score three tries at his first run on start, when Italy visited Canberra a year later. His three tries that night represented just the 24th occasion in 492 Tests that an Australian player had totalled three or more tries in a match. He added a further try later in the Tri-Nations, scoring Australia's second on the night as the Wallabies upset the world champion Springboks in Brisbane. Later, on the 2009 Spring Tour, O'Connor featured in all but the Test against England at Twickenham and the mid-weeker against Gloucester, to complete what had been a busy first full international season for the then 19-year-old. The former Australian Schools representative, whose grandfather Maurice played for Wellington, was 18 years and 80 days on the date of his maiden Wallabies selection. Only 1957 Wallaby winger Brian Ford (who was 18 years and 90 days old) played for Australia at a younger age. O'Connor met up with the now wheelchair-bound Ford during a public training session at Brisbane last year.

An Australian Schools representative in 2007 and an Australian Sevens rep in 2008 where he appeared at the Adelaide and Hong Kong tournaments, O'Connor hails from Brisbane's Nudgee College - the same institution that produced the recent Wallabies Hugh McMeniman, Richard Brown and current skipper, Rocky Elsom. His family is originally from New Zealand, and he lived in Auckland for five years as a child before the family returned to Australia where he boarded at Nudgee College. O'Connor joined the Western Force for the third Super 14, making his debut back in familiar territory in Brisbane against the Queensland Reds. Through his family connections, O'Connor was also eligible for both South Africa and New Zealand, and was courted by the NZRU before his elevation to the Wallabies.

**Fast Fact:** Although he has made his name in rugby union, James O'Connor played rugby league for five years with the Te Atatu Roosters while living in Auckland as a child. He then played AFL when his family returned to the Gold Coast, representing Queensland in that code in the Under-13 grade, before focusing on rugby once he attended Nudgee College.



#### WYCLIFF PALU



WALLABY TEST CAP No.812

Position: No.8/Flanker

**Height:** 194cm **Weight:** 120kg

Born: 27 July 1982, Sydney

Club: Manly (NSW)

Super Rugby Team: Waratahs 2005-

Representative Honours: Australia A 2006, Australian Wallabies

2006-

Senior Tours: 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2007 Rugby World Cup,

2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Mallabias	2006 v England, Melbourne	36	5 [1t]



<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2006	E2 (rep), Ire (rep), SA2, NZ3, SA3, W, It, Ire2, S (rep)	9	0
2007	W1 [1t], W2, SA1, NZ1, Jap*, W3*, Fi2*, E*	8	5 [1t]
2008	Ire*, Fr1*, SA1*, NZ1, NZ2, SA2*, SA3, NZ3*, It (rep), E (rep), Fr3*	11	0
2009	NZ1*, SA1*, NZ3*, NZ4, E, Ir, Sc*, W	8	0
	TOTALS	36	5 (1t)

Back in harness after a bad knee injury forced him to miss last year's international season, WYCLIFF PALU is aiming to feature at his second Rugby World Cup this season after having been part of the Wallaby class of '07 in France. The injury curtailed a run which had seen the damaging 29-year-old appear in 19 of the 28 available Tests through 2008 and 2009. This run included a remarkable comeback on the 2009 Spring Tour which saw Palu stretchered from the field when Australia played Scotland at Murrayfield, only to return as one of the best on field when the Wallabies destroyed Wales at the Millennium Stadium a week later. Palu's early but dramatic departure had proved precautionary, after he tweaked a nerve in his neck. Of Tongan heritage, Palu made his state debut for NSW in 2003, and was introduced to Super Rugby by the Waratahs the year before his maiden Test, which came in 2006. Prior to last year's knee injury, which was sustained playing the Crusaders in Christchurch, Palu had been one of the Waratahs' iron men – missing just five matches over the three seasons between 2007 and 2010. A club-mate of George Smith before the latter's departure to France last year, Palu won the Matt Burke Cup as the Waratahs' Player's Player in 2008, while also finishing as runner-up behind Smith in the voting for that year's John Eales Medal. He is the cousin of Melbourne Rebels and Wallaby fullback Mark Gerrard.

**Fast Fact:** After making his state debut for NSW in 2003, Wycliff Palu spent a season in rugby league with the St George-Illawarra club in 2004, before returning to the 15-man code to make his Super Rugby debut in 2005.



#### NICK PHIPPS



**Position:** Halfback

Height: 1.8m Weight: 87kg Born: 09.01.89

**Super Rugby Team:** Melbourne Rebels 2011-**Representative Honours:** 2010 Australian Sevens

Senior Tours: 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
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Wallabies			



One of the stars of the Melbourne Rebels' maiden Super Rugby voyage this year; NICK PHIPPS had the honour of becoming the first player from the franchise to have been selected for the Qantas Wallabies when he was included on last year's Spring Tour. The Sydney University and Australian Sevens halfback, who was a consistent on-field presence for the Rebels this year, followed his Sydney Uni backs coach Damian Hill to Victoria. The pair headed south after combining to help Uni to consecutive Shute Shield (NSW) club titles in 2009 and 2010. A sevens representative for Michael O'Connor's Australian team on the 2009-2010 IRB World Series, Phipps made his Qantas Wallabies debut by playing the final 23 minutes of the non-cap match against Munster during last year's Spring Tour. He then backed up for the Australian Sevens team in the end of year tournaments at Dubai (UAE) and George (South Africa) to complete what had been a super busy year. The 21-year-old first made his mark on the Sevens scene at the back end of 2009 when he covered for James Stannard at the Dubai and Wellington Sevens tournaments. An ankle injury sustained in Wellington forced Phipps to miss the Las Vegas leg of the 2009-10 circuit, and the home Australian Sevens tournament in Adelaide, but he returned to the team in time to

compete in the final two legs of the circuit, where Australia won in London and finished second in Edinburgh. He also featured prominently during the Aussies' run to a silver medal at the just completed Commonwealth Games Sevens in New Delhi, India. It was in India where Phipps learned of his national selection, which allowed him the opportunity to spend six weeks training with the Wallabies squad under the watchful eye of national coach Robbie Deans.

**Fast Fact:** The competition for the halfback spot was intense through the Melbourne Rebels' first Super Rugby season, with three Wallabies players — Nick Phipps, Sam Cordingley and the uncapped 2009 Spring tourist Richard Kingi all vying for the spot.



#### DAVID POCOCK



WALLABY TEST CAP No.829

**Position:** Flanker **Height:** 181cm **Weight:** 101kg

Born: 23 April 1988, Zimbabwe

Super Rugby Team: Western Force 2006-

**Representative Honours:** Australian Schoolboys 2005; Australian U19 2006; Australia A 2007, Australian Under-20

2008, Australian Wallabies 2008-

**Senior Tours:** 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2008 v New Zealand, Hong Kong	30	10 (2t)



#### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2008	NZ4 (rep), It (rep)	2	0
2009	It1 (rep), It2, Fr (rep), NZ1 (rep), SA1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2 (rep), SA3, NZ3, NZ4, E (rep), Ir, W* (1t)	13	5 (1t)
2010	Fi*, E1, E2*, Ir*, SA1, NZ1, NZ2, SA2, SA3, NZ3, NZ4, W (1t), E3, It, Fr	15	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	30	10 (2t)

The 2010 John Eales Medal winner, **DAVID POCOCK** was one of just two players, alongside skipper Rocky Elsom, to start in every Test played last year by the Qantas Wallabies in what was a record season for matches played. Such was the standard of excellence that was maintained by the now 23-year-old fetcher, he was one of two Australians nominated for the IRB Player of the Year award. That gong was ultimately won by Richie McCaw, but the All Black ace can expect further challenges in the future from Pocock for the mantle as the game's premier breakaway. He has already seen off the challenges of George Smith and Phil Waugh to establish himself as Australia's

premier openside fetcher, last year following in Smith's footsteps to become the fourth loose forward to win the John Eales Medal. The Zimbabwean-born flanker, who was first introduced to the Qantas Wallabies on the 2008 tour of Hong Kong and Europe, supplanted the now Japan-based Smith as Australia's starting openside at the tail end of the 2009 Tri Nations and has wielded an enormous influence over the side's fortunes ever since. While injury has restricted Pocock in each of the last two Super Rugby seasons, he has bounced back strongly on each occasion. Pocock began World Cup year with two Test tries to his name – scored on each of the Wallabies' last two visits to the





Millennium Stadium in Cardiff. A foundation member of the Western Force, Pocock joined the club from the Gold Coast where his family moved after leaving Africa. Schooled alongside fellow Wallaby Quade Cooper at Brisbane's Church College, Pocock made his Test debut three years after heading west – and just six years after his family had arrived in the country from Zimbabwe. After two Test appearances as a replacement on the 2008 Spring Tour, Pocock started 2011 having missed just one Test since, playing 13 of 14 in 2009 and all 15 last year. He won the man of the match award during Australia's visit to Croke Park in 2009 and was well on the way to repeating the dose two weeks later in Cardiff until he was forced from the field at halftime due to a damaged thumb. With family still resident in both South Africa and Zimbabwe, the Perth-based Pocock retains close ties with the land of his birth, even though his parents and two brothers now reside on the Gold Coast. Growing up in Zimbabwe, Pocock's childhood hero was the ex-Springbok skipper Bob Skinstad, who he met for the first time prior to the 2009 Brisbane Test where Pocock starred in Australia's 21-6 win over the world and Tri Nations champions South Africa. Pocock has shown many similar traits to Skinstad: he was also ear-marked as a leader at an early age, twice leading sides to Britain in 2008; firstly with the Australian team for the Under-20 World Cup, and then with a Western Force Development squad that also included another future Wallaby in James O'Connor. Pocock's career has been closely inter-twined with that of O'Connor, who also has family based on the Gold Coast. He has also experienced a lot playing alongside Cooper, who was first a team-mate at school, and then in Queensland and Australian Schools teams, before joining Pocock in the national Under-20s and ultimately the Wallabies. Away from rugby, Pocock has previously represented Oueensland at schools level in water polo. He answers to the nickname 'Bam' which has been bestowed on him by team-mates in recognition of his muscular physique.

**Fast Fact:** When he is not scrounging for ball on the rugby field, David Pocock is actively involved in the Eightytwenty Vision organisation which raises much needed funds for the less fortunate in Zimbabwe.





## TATAE POLOTA-NAU



**Position:** Hooker Height: 181cm Weight: 113kg

Born: 26 July 1985, Sydney

Super Rugby Team: Brumbies 2004-2005, Waratahs 2006-**Representative Honours:** Australian Schoolboys 2003,

Australian Under 19s 2004, Australian Under 21s 2004-2005.

Australian Wallabies 2005-

Senior Tours: 2005 UK & France, 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong &

Europe





### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2005	E (rep), Ire (rep)	2	0
2006	S (rep)	1	0
2008	SA1 (rep), NZ1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2 (rep), SA3, It (rep), E (rep)	7	0
2009	lt1 (rep), lt 2 (1t), Fr, SA1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2 (rep), SA3*, NZ3*, NZ4*, E*, Ir*, Sc*, W* (1t)	13	10 (2t)
2010	It (rep), Fr (rep)	2	0
	TOTALS	25	10 (2t)

Arguably the most damaging front-rower in the game, TATAFU POLOTA-NAU is bidding to attend his first Rugby World Cup after debuting for Australia at Twickenham in 2005. The IRB Under-21 Player of the Year for that season, Polota Nau took his maiden bow for the Qantas Wallabies in London before he had even played Super Rugby, with that honour following in 2006 when he made his debut for the NSW Waratahs. Although injuries have stalled his progress at various times since, the popular 26-year-old still started

2011 with 25 Tests to his name, appearing twice as a replacement on last year's Spring Tour after he joined the squad in Italy as a reinforcement. Polota Nau had earlier been ruled out of last year's domestic Tests, and the Tri Nations, due to the requirement of an operation to remove bone spurs from his ankle. The operation came after an excellent 2010 Super Rugby campaign where he won the NSW Player's Player award. A late comer to the game, after concentrating on his studies at school, Polota-Nau's potential quickly became



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apparent – so much so that he was co-captaining the Australian Schools side within two years of taking up the game. Polota-Nau attended both the Under-19 and Under-21 world championships in 2004, backing up at the latter event again in 2005 where he won his Player of the Year award. After making just three Test appearances prior to 2008, his work load increased dramatically following the arrival of Robbie Deans to the Qantas Wallabies coaching position, with Polota-Nau making seven appearances in 2008, and 13 (from the possible 14 Tests) a year later. 2009 saw Polota-Nau score his first Test try, during the 34-12 win over Italy in Melbourne. A second followed in Australia's 33-12 crushing of Wales at Cardiff which brought the season to a close. Polota-Nau is a board member at Sydney's Parramatta club, and appeared for the Western Sydney Rams in the sole season of the Australian Rugby Championship in 2007.

**Fast Fact**: Wallaby front-rowers Tatafu Polota-Nau and Salesi Ma'afu are first cousins. Ma'afu's mother is the sister of Polota Nau's father. Another of Polota Nau's relatives is a professional wrestler in the United States, who performed under the name of King Hakau in the WWF and then WWE wrestling circuits.





## HUGH PYLE

WALLABY TEST CAP Uncapped

Position: Lock Height: 2.01m Weight: 118kg Born: 21.09.88

Super Rugby Team: Melbourne Rebels 2011-

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
G.			
Wallabies			



One of the major revelations to emerge out of the foundation season of the Melbourne Rebels, former Brumbies Academy player HUGH PYLE vaulted into national contention following a string of impressive performances on debut in Super Rugby. The athletic Pyle performed consistently in an often injury-hit Rebels front eight, providing accuracy in the middle of the lineout and a solid work ethic around the field. The 22-year-old also showed a sense of daring at times, and great anticipation. This was evidenced by his midfield intercept off Cameron Shepherd which created the match-turning try in the Rebels' historic 26-25 win over the Western Force in Perth – the Melbourne club's first win from an away match. Pyle was recruited by the Rebels from the Southern Districts club in Sydney and was able to provide great value for the Victorian side, despite the club boasting three established second rowers in ex-All Black Kevin O'Neill, and Super Rugby regulars Al Campbell and Adam Byrnes when the first season began.



## BEAU ROBINSON



**Position:** Flanker **Height:** 1.80m **Weight:** 97kg **Born:** 15.8.86

**Super Rugby Team:** Queensland Reds **Other Teams:** NSW Waratahs 2006-09

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Č.			
Wallabies			



The comeback story of the season, **BEAU ROBINSON** started the year off the professional roster, and has ended Super Rugby in the Qantas Wallabies frame. This comes after his superb showing for the Queensland Reds. The 24-year-old was recruited by his former coach at the NSW Waratahs, Ewen McKenzie, to bolster the Reds loose forward resources following the departure of All Black Daniel Braid, and responded superbly. Abrasive in the contact zone, Robinson complemented the work of Radike Samo and Scott Higginbotham to such an extent that he now stands poised to join them in the international ranks. Robinson gave four seasons of service to the Waratahs without ever being able to break into the top side on a consistent basis due to being ranked behind the long-serving Phil Waugh. He played 21 matches through that time before opting for a playing stint in Italy. Brought to the Reds this year, Robinson made his debut off the bench during the round one win over the Western Force, then started for the first time during the Reds' maiden win over the Brumbies in Canberra. That performance cemented a starting position for Robinson, which was only relinquished when he was injured during the Reds' 17-16 win over the Crusaders towards the back end of the competition.

**Did you know?:** While the Eastern States are prominently represented in the Qantas Wallabies squad, Beau Robinson brings a Northern Territory flavor to the team, having been born in Alice Springs.



## BENN ROBINSON



WALLABY TEST CAP No.814

**Position:** Prop **Height:** 183cm **Weight:** 113kg

Born: 19 July 1984, Sydney

Super Rugby Team: NSW Waratahs 2006-

**Representative Honours:** Australian Schoolboys 2002; New South Wales Under 19s 2003; Australian Under 21s 2005;

Australian Wallabies 2006-

Senior Tours: 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2008 Hong Kong &

Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe, 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2006 v South Africa, Johannesburg	42	10 (2t)



### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2006	SA <sub>3</sub> , Ire (rep), S	3	0
2007	W1 (rep), W2, Fi1 (rep)	3	0
2008	Ire, Fr1*, Fr2*, SA1, NZ1, NZ2, SA2 (1t), SA3*, NZ3, NZ4, E, W	12	5 (1t)
2009	It 1, Fr, NZ1, SA1, NZ2, SA2, SA3, NZ3*, NZ4, E, Ir, Sc*, W	13	0
2010	SA1, NZ1, NZ2, SA2, SA3, NZ3, NZ4*, W, E3*, It (rep), Fr (rep, 1t)	11	5 (1t)
	TOTALS	42	10 (2t)

Now Australia's fifth most capped Test prop, **BENN ROBINSON** continues to impress as the spearhead of an improving Wallaby scrum. As a first choice selection, and one of the best loosehead technicians in the international game, he was sorely missed by the Qantas Wallabies last year, which resulted in an otherwise inexperienced Australian front row being exposed to some harsh lessons. The now 27-year-old, who twice broke his arm during the final Super 14, returned to the Qantas Wallabies for the 2010 Tri Nations and while below his absolute best, still started in all six matches contributing to an Australian scrum that held its own against the best both the Springboks and All

Blacks had to offer. Robinson then added four more appearances on the Spring Tour, scoring his second Test try during the win over France in Paris. The cap earned that night allowed Robinson to surpass former RWC winner Tony Daly for overall Test appearances by Australian props. The mantle as one of his country's best sits comfortably with Robinson who, prior to last year's injury break, had missed just three of the 28 Test matches played by Australia since Robbie Deans had taken over as coach. The Waratahs prop appeared in 13 of the 14 Tests played through 2009, missing only the second match against Italy in Melbourne where he was rested. The rapid improvement in the Wallaby



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scrum is in no small measure due to Robinson's development. Prior to 2008, he had played just six Tests in the previous two seasons, three of which were appearances off the bench, and missed out on a place at the 2007 Rugby World Cup. The time since has seen him cement himself as the cornerstone of both the Waratahs and Wallabies scrums – he is well beyond a half century of state appearances while rapidly closing in on 50 Tests. Robinson's value to the Wallabies was recognized by the public in 2009 when he became just the second winner of the ARU People's Choice Award on John Eales Medal night. Popular away from the field, Robinson answers to the nickname 'Cat', because of a perceived likeness to the former Australian Test cricketer Greg Ritchie.

**Fast Fact:** Benn Robinson has scored tries in two notable Australian Test victories. His first Test try came during Australia's first win on South African soil for eight years, in 2000, while the second was scored during last year's record drubbing of Six Nations champions France in Paris.





## RADIKE SAMO



WALLABY TEST CAP No.789

**Position:** Loose Forward

Height: 1.97m Weight: 117 kg

**Born:** 9 July 1976, Nadi (Fiji) **Team:** Queensland Reds 2010-**Previous Team:** Brumbies 2000-06

Representative Honours: Australian Wallabies 2004

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2004 v Scotland, Melbourne	6	0



### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2004	S1, S2, E, PI, NZ1, SA4 (rep)	6	0
	TOTALS	6	0

First capped against Scotland in 2004, RADIKE SAMO has made a remarkable return to Australian Rugby over the last two seasons after being summoned out of semi-retirement to reinforce the injury hit Queensland Reds last year. Samo, who left Australia after the 2006 season for playing stints in both Japan and France, was playing club rugby in Sydney when called up by Ewen McKenzie for the back end of last year's Super Rugby competition. The impression he made during the two-match stint was such that he was awarded a full contract for this season, playing his part as the Reds climbed into the Super Rugby playoffs for the first time in a decade. A former lock, but at home at the back of the scrum these days, Samo offered the Reds an extra lineout option while also proving his worth as a ball carrier in the rough and tumble around the field. His form was such that it has opened the door for an unlikely Test recall, a full seven years after he made his debut for the Qantas Wallabies in Melbourne. The Fijian-born Samo played six Tests for Australia during his first stint in the country, while based in Canberra where he played 35 matches for the Brumbies between

2000 and 2006. Although all six of his Test caps came during the domestic 2004 Test season, Samo was a member of the Wallabies Spring Tour squad later that same year, being employed for midweek playing duties. He was first selected for the Wallabies as a loose forward, despite having featured exclusively at lock earlier in the year as he helped a David Nuciforacoached Brumbies outfit land the franchise's second Super Rugby title. He had earlier featured for the Canberra-based Vikings club as the invited side took out the Brisbane club premiership for three straight seasons between 2001 and 2003. Samo played 35 matches for the Brumbies during his seven seasons with the side, which included all 13 games of the title-winning 2004 campaign.

**Did you know?:** A former Under-19 representative for Fiji, Radike Samo moved to Canberra in 1998 to play club rugby with the Tuggeranong Vikings. During his time playing club rugby in the Australian capital, his positions ranged between the second row, back row and even the wing!



## NATHAN SHARPE



WALLABY TEST CAP No.774

Position: Lock Height: 200cm Weight: 115kg

**Born:** 26 February 1978, Wagga Wagga, NSW **Super Rugby Team:** Western Force 2006-**Previous Team:** Queensland Reds 1998-2005

Representative Honours: Australian Under 19s 1996, Australian

Under 21s 1997-1999, Australian Wallabies 2002-

**Senior Tours:** 2003 RWC (Aus), 2005 UK & France, 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2007 RWC (France), 2008 Hong Kong & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe





### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2002	Fr1, Fr2, NZ1, SA1, NZ2 [1t], SA2.	6	5(1t)
2003	Ire, W, E, SA1 (rep), NZ1 (rep), SA2 (rep), NZ2 (rep), Arg*, R*, N*, Ire*, S*, NZ*, E*.	14	0
2004	S1, S2, E1, PI, NZ1, SA1, NZ2, SA2	8	0
2005	Sam [2t], It, F, SA1, SA2, SA3 (rep), NZ1, SA4, NZ2, F2, E, Ir, W [1t]	13	15 (3t)
2006*	E1, E2, Ire, NZ1, SA1, NZ2, SA2, NZ3, SA3, W, It, Ire2, S	13	0
2007	W1 [1t], W2, SA1, NZ1, SA2, NZ2, Jap* [1t], W3*, C*, E*	10	10 (2t)
2008	Ire*, Fr1 (1t), SA1*, NZ1*, NZ2*, NZ3, NZ4*, E, Fr3, W	10	5 (1t)
2009	It1, Fr, NZ1, SA1, NZ2	5	0
2010	Fi, E1, E2, SA1, NZ1, NZ2, SA2*, SA3, NZ3, NZ4, W, E3, It*	13	0
	TOTALS	93	35 (7t)

Now the most capped second row in Australian Test history, having last year eclipsed the career appearance tally of ex-skipper John Eales; **NATHAN SHARPE** ended 2010 as the fifth most capped Wallaby of all time. He headed into this year's Test programme coming off a Super Rugby season which saw him surpass George Gregan's tally of 136 appearances to become the

most capped player in the history of that competition. The John Eales Medal winner of 2007, Sharpe has been an Australian representative in some form for each of the last 15 seasons, after first having donned the national jersey as an Under-19 representative in 1996 — the year professional rugby began.



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Sharpe played three straight seasons for the Australian Under-21 side while he has been an almost permanent fixture in the Test side since his debut against France nine years ago. Sharpe made his debut in Super Rugby for Queensland against the Hurricanes at Athletic Park in 1998, serving the Reds for eight seasons before being lured by ex-All Blacks coach John Mitchell, who dangled the captaincy carrot in order to get Sharpe to Perth to join the Western Force. The Western Australian club's foundation skipper, Sharpe was just the second player to feature in 50 matches for the Force, while also consistently flying the flag for the club in the national team. Heading into 2011, Sharpe had faced the All Blacks on 24 occasions, which was the fourth most by any Australian player, while his tally of 39 Tri Nations appearances was the second most by any Australian - and the fifth most achieved by anyone in the competition's 15-year history. He began 2011 poised to become the fifth Australian player to play 100 Test matches.

**Fast Fact:** As well as captaining the Western Force in Super Rugby for the last six seasons, Nathan Sharpe has also twice led Australia in Tests — against New Zealand at Wellington in 2004, and Samoa in Sydney a year later. Ironically the Samoa Test of 2005 marked the debut of the current Wallabies Test skipper Rocky Elsom.





## CAMERON SHEPHERD



WALLABY TEST CAP No.810

**Position:** Wing/Fullback

**Height:** 189cm **Weight:** 97kg

**Born:** 30 March 1984, Windsor (UK) **Super Rugby Team:** Western Force 2006-**Previous Team:** NSW Waratahs 2004-2005

**Representative Honours:** Australian Under 21s 2003-2005, Australia A 2004-, Australian Sevens 2006, Australian Wallabies

2005-

Senior Tours: 2005 UK & France, 2006 UK, Ireland and Italy, 2007

RWC (France)





<sup>\*</sup> Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2006	E1 (rep), E2 (rep), Ire (rep) [1t], SA3, W [2t]	5	15 (3t)
2007	C* (2C)	1	4 (2c)
2008	Ir, Fr1, Fr2*	3	
	TOTALS	9	19 (3t, 2c)

**CAMERON SHEPHERD** is on the comeback trail after injury derailed each of his last two seasons. The talented Western Force three-quarter last appeared for the Qantas Wallabies in 2008. The 27-year-old's most recent appearance for Australia was during the 40-10 win over France at Suncorp Stadium four seasons ago, which ended when he was stretchered from the field after breaking his leg. Capable at both fullback and on the wing, Shepherd had featured in all three Test matches played by Australia in 2008 before he was injured. The Force's leading try-scorer, and just the third West Australian to score a hat-trick of tries in a Super Rugby match when he scored three against the Brumbies in Canberra two years ago, Shepherd has previously appeared for New South Wales. It is at the Force that he has really made his mark, being rewarded

for his ambitious move to join the fledgling franchise in its first season in 2006, when he was called up to make his Test debut against England in Sydney shortly after the Force's maiden campaign had concluded. Shepherd was a late inclusion in the 2007 Rugby World Cup squad, playing against Canada, after a knee injury that was sustained late in Super Rugby had ruled him out of Australia's domestic Test programme for 2007.

**Fast Fact:** Cameron Shepherd sealed his place in Western Australian rugby folklore when he scored a last minute try and converted it from the sideline to secure the Western Force's maiden win in Super Rugby, over the Hurricanes, during the Perth franchise's second season in 2007.



## ROB SIMMONS



WALLABY TEST CAP No.844

Position: Lock Height: 2.00m Weight: 115kg Born: 19.04.89

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds 2009-

**Representative Honours:** 2006 Australian Schools, 2007 Australian Under-19, 2008 Australian Under-20, 2010 Australian

Barbarians, 2010 Australian Wallabies

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v South Africa, Brisbane	6	0



\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	SA1 (rep), NZ1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2 (rep), It. Fr	6	0
	TOTALS	6	0

An Australian representative from Schools level through the Under-19 and Under-20 grades, ROB SIMMONS graduated to the Qantas Wallabies last year. The abrasive young second rower made his debut off the bench in front of his home Brisbane crowd during the Tri Nations opener against South Africa. Simmons was one of seven Australian players who featured in the commanding 30-13 win over the then reigning Tri Nations champions who were on debut in the tournament that night. Test selection came after Simmons had earlier made a big impact as part of the much improved Oueensland forwards unit during a campaign which saw the Reds beat three of the four semi-finalists en-route to a fifth-placed finish in Super Rugby – the state's best return in a decade. Prior to last year, the three Super Rugby appearances Simmons had gained had all come from the bench. All that changed after the Reds' second match of 2010 when team skipper and Wallaby second row James Horwill was rubbed out for the rest of the year after blowing out the ligaments in his knee. That injury pushed Simmons into the spot light, and he didn't disappoint. Simmons provided the same abrasive edge to the Queensland pack that he was later to offer the Wallabies, combining strongly in the second row with fellow 2010 Spring tourist Van Humphries. Such was the level of Simmons' impact last year with the Reds that the experienced ex-Leinster second row Adam Byrnes was relegated to a bench role and subsequently left to join expansion side Melbourne this year. Despite having his 2010 competition ended prematurely due to a fractured cheekbone, Simmons had already made a massive impression, which had been noted further up the selectorial food chain. The Sunnybank second rower's emergence was confirmed when he was included in the Australian Barbarians squad for the midweek series against England. That led to a place in Australia's Tri Nations squad, with Simmons being used off the bench on four occasions, prior to earning selection for the Spring Tour where he gained his first two Test starts during the wins over Italy and France. Simmons' personal development was added to on last year's Spring Tour when he took on responsibility for calling the Wallaby lineout against Italy; a duty he continued on occasion with Queensland this year. The 22-year-old grew up watching Queensland and Australia's premier second row John Eales, who he cites as his favourite player when he was a child.

**Did you know?:** While he grew up in Theodore in country Queensland, Rob Simmons schooled at The Southport School on the Gold Coast, making the Australian Schoolboys team of 2006 where his team-mates included fellow future Wallabies Quade Cooper and Rod Davies.



## JAMES SLIPPER



WALLABY TEST CAP No.843

Position: Prop Height: 1.85m Weight: 113kg Born: 06.06.89

Super Rugby Team: Queensland Reds 2010-

Representative Honours: 2009 Australian Under-20, 2010

Australian Barbarians, 2010-11 Australian Wallabies

Senior Tours: 2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2010 v England, Perth	14	0



### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2010	E1 (rep), E2 (rep), Ir (rep), SA1 (rep), NZ1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2 (rep), SA3 (rep), NZ3 (rep), NZ4 (rep), W (rep), E3 (rep), It*, Fr	14	0
	TOTALS	14	0

The 'feel good' story of last year, JAMES SLIPPER emerged from nowhere to make his Test debut, less than a month after he had made his first run on start for the Queensland Reds in Super Rugby. He went on to feature in 14 of Australia's 15 Tests for 2010, claiming a unique world record when he made 12 consecutive appearances from the bench before finally gaining his run on debut against Italy in Florence. The now 22-year-old capped his maiden international season, by gaining a second Test start during Australia's record 59-16 demolition of France in Paris. He was then a regular starter for the Reds, at tight-head prop, in Super Rugby this year. A product of the Gold Coast Breakers club, which also produced fellow Test debutant Ben Daley last year; Slipper was a member of the Queensland Academy when he represented the Australian Under-20s at the 2009 Junior World Cup in

Japan. His performance at that tournament won him the Australian Under-20 Player of the Year award on John Eales Medal night, before he settled into a role among the Reds back up pool of players for last year's Super Rugby season. Blooded off the bench during the narrow opening round loss to the NSW Waratahs, Slipper was required just once more off the bench prior to the Reds closing fixture against the Highlanders, where he was granted a start in the absence of the injured Daley. His performance that night, matching up against a well-performed Highlanders front-row, encouraged Wallabies coach Robbie Deans to include Slipper among the Australian Barbarians group to play the midweek matches against England on last year's tour. Slipper's development role was subsequently transformed once Ben Alexander strained his medial ligaments in the Test season opener against Fiji, with



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an ability to play on both sides of the front-row seeing the young Queenslander propelled into the Test squad after he had excelled coming off the bench for the Barbarians during a 28-28 draw against England at Perth. Slipper made his debut in difficult circumstances during Australia's 27-17 win over England at Perth, but performed well, and has subsequently contributed strongly in every Test appearance since. This includes Australia's historic win over South Africa at Bloemfontein where Slipper, on his maiden visit to the Republic, was inserted for the final 59 minutes of the game. Although he has been used primarily by the Wallabies as a tight-head, he is also well established as a loosehead.

**Did You Know?:** Such was the youth in the Qantas Wallabies and Australian Barbarians squads for last year's programme, James Slipper was one of three players to celebrate his 21<sup>st</sup> birthday within a week of the 40-man group being named. The others were hooker Damien Fitzpatrick and lock Kane Douglas. All three appeared during the Barbarians' 28-28 draw with England at Perth.





## SITALEKI TIMANI



Position: Lock Height: 2.03m Weight: 120kg

**Born:** 19.9.86 (Navutoka, Tonga) **Super Rugby Team:** NSW Waratahs

Previous Team: Western Force, Brumbies

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies			



Born in Tonga but eligible for Australia on residential grounds, SITALEKI TIMANI finally broke through as a Super Rugby regular this year, after previously having served both the Western Force and the Brumbies without ever being able to cement a regular starting position. Timani started in rugby union with the Perth Spirit in the ill-fated Australian Rugby Championship of 2007. He went on to make his Super Rugby debut for the Western Force against the Sharks in 2008, but made just three appearances for the franchise before moving back east the following year, when he was signed by the Brumbies. A further eight appearances followed for the Brumbies in 2009, but he failed to get any further field time last year, which saw Timani quit the Australian capital this year, signing on with the NSW Waratahs. Injuries among the Waratahs second rowers opened the door and Timani did not disappoint, nailing down a regular starting position during the back half of the season, featuring in the Tahs' final 13 matches. His deeds at the Waratahs included scoring the matchwinning try in the final moments as NSW defeated his old team in Canberra during the qualifying rounds of Super Rugby. Timani plays his club rugby for Southern Districts in Sydney's Shute Shield competition.

**Did you know?:** Although he was born in the Pacific Islands, Sitaleki Timani grew up in Auckland, attending Auckland Grammar School.



## LACHIE TURNER



WALLABY TEST CAP No.826

**Position:** Fullback / Wing

**Height:** 189cm **Weight:** 88kg

Born: 11 May 1987, Sydney

Super Rugby Team: Waratahs 2007-

Representative Honours: Australian Schools 2005; Australian

U19 2006; Australia A 2007, Australian Wallabies 2008-

**Senior Tours:** 2008 Hong Kong & Europe, 2009 Japan & Europe,

2010 Hong Kong & Europe

CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
Wallabies	2008 v France, Brisbane	14	15 (3t)



### \* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2008	Fr2, lt (1t)	2	5 (1t)
2009	lt1, lt2 (1t), Fr, NZ1, SA1, NZ2, SA2 (1t), SA3, NZ3	9	10 (2t)
2010	NZ3, It, Fr (rep)	3	0
	TOTALS	14	15 (3t)

The fastest man in Australian rugby, after winning a battle of the codes sprint last year, **LACHIE TURNER** made a pleasing return to the Qantas Wallabies at the tail end of the 2010 Tri Nations. Turner was reinvigorated after a strong club season with Eastwood, and then involvement in the Australian Sevens programme. His maiden foray into Sevens saw him selected for last year's Commonwealth Games tournament in New Delhi, India. Prior to that, Turner was recalled to the Wallabies for the Tri Nations tour of South Africa. While he didn't feature in those matches, the speedy 23-year-old replaced an injured Drew Mitchell for Australia's final match of the Tri Nations against New Zealand, and went on to win the team's internal Player

of the match award on the night. He was also narrowly denied a try-scoring return in just the fifth minute when the TMO ruled that he had been forced into touch while grounding the ball in a desperate All Black tackle. Turner's reduced workload for the Qantas Wallabies last year, which featured just three Test appearances, came after he featured in all 14 matches played by the NSW Waratahs earlier in the year, scoring six tries as he raised a half century of Super Rugby appearances during the semi-final loss to the Stormers in Cape Town. In 2009, he was one of just three players – and the only member of the backline – to start in all nine matches played by the Wallabies during the domestic Test Series. He then featured against Gloucester and



## LACHIE TURNER



the Cardiff Blues during the Spring Tour. Turner scored two Test tries in 2009 - against Italy in Melbourne and South Africa at Perth – which took his career tally to three, after his maiden Test try came second up against Italy at Padua. While the young New South Welshman has yet to fully express the try-scoring knack at Test level, he did come up with a timely try-scoring double during the 2008 Super Rugby final in Christchurch which fully impressed the opposing coach: incoming Wallaby boss Robbie Deans. The former high school athlete, who played soccer when he was younger, was duly selected for the Wallabies for the first time two days after his two-try performance. Turner's elevation to the Wallabies came just over 18 months after his introduction into the professional ranks, which he marked by taking out the 2007 Australian Super Rugby Rookie of the Year award. Selection for the Wallabies followed a steady progression through the Australian age-group ranks: Turner appeared for the Australian Schools in 2005 while he attended Newington College. He then shared in Australia's title at the 2006 Under-19 World Cup, before featuring for Australia A in 2007 and 2008. After debuting against France at Brisbane, Turner gained his second cap on the 2008 Spring Tour, marking the occasion with a try during the Test win over Italy. Turner appeared twice on that tour and was a tryscorer on both occasions, gaining his second to seal the Wallabies win over a star-studded Barbarians outfit at Wembley after he was injected into that match as a replacement.

Fast Fact: Lachie Turner spear-headed an Eastwood rugby club domination of the inaugural Australian cross-codes sprint last year, with club-mate John Grant finishing second in an eight-man field that was assembled to determine the country's fastest footballer. Turner clocked 11.1 seconds for the 100 metre dash, which was raced in the presence of the world's fastest man – Jamaica's Olympic 100m record holder and gold medalist, Usain Bolt.





## DANIEL VICKERMAN



WALLABY TEST CAP No.777

Position: Lock Height: 204cm Weight: 115kg

Born: 4 June 1979, Cape Town, South Africa

Super Rugby Team: Brumbies 2001-2003, Waratahs 2004-08,

2011-

**Representative Honours:** South African Under 21s 1999, Australian Under 21s 2000, Australia A 2002, 2004, Australian

Wallabies 2002-08

**Senior Tours:** 2002 Argentina, UK & Europe, 2003 RWC (Aus), 2005 UK & France, 2006 UK, Ireland & Italy, 2007 RWC (France)

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CAREER	DEBUT	CAPS	POINTS
554	2002 v France, Sydney	55	0



\* Test appearance statistics to the end of 2010

YEAR	TEST CAREER	TESTS	POINTS
2002	Fr2 (rep), Arg, E, It	4	0
2003	Ire (rep), W (rep), E (rep), SA1, NZ1, SA2, NZ2, Arg* (rep), R*, Ire* (rep), S* (rep)	11	0
2004	S1 (rep), S2 (rep), E (rep), PI (rep), NZ1 (rep), SA1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2 (rep), S3, Fr, S4, E2	12	0
2005	SA2 (rep), SA3, NZ1, SA4	4	0
2006	E1, E2, Ire, NZ1, SA1, NZ2, SA2, NZ3, SA3, W	10	0
2007	W1 (rep), W2, Fi1, SA1, NZ1, SA2, NZ2, Jap*, W3*, Fi2*, E*	11	0
2008	NZ1 (rep), NZ2 (rep), SA2	3	0
	TOTALS	55	0

Back in Australia in a bid to resume his international career after two years studying in England, DANIEL VICKERMAN had compiled an envious record prior to his sabbatical. The former South African Under-21 representative departed Australia with 55 Tests to his name, which included appearances in the 2003 and 2007 Rugby World Cups. That tournament provides unfinished business for the abrasive 32-year-old second rower, who also had 82 caps in Super Rugby prior to this year, spread between the Brumbies and the NSW Waratahs. Vickerman raised his 50th Test cap against Wales during the last World Cup, but managed just three appearances during his last international season in 2008, due to injury. One of those came during Australia's 27-15 win over South Africa at Durban, which was the Qantas Wallabies' first win on South African soil in eight years. Injury has dogged Vickerman on more

than one occasion, being rubbed out of the 2007 Super Rugby season due to a shoulder reconstruction although he recovered in time to feature in 10 of Australia's 11 Test matches for that year. After representing South Africa at Under-21 level in 1999, Vickerman arrived in Australia the following year and donned gold at the 2000 SANZAR Under-21 tournament, before making his debut for the Brumbies in Super Rugby in 2001. His Test debut followed in 2002 against France, teaming up with Nathan Sharpe, who'd taken his maiden Test bow a week earlier in Melbourne. It was the beginning of a second row partnership that would provide the engine room of the Australian scrum for much of the following six seasons, and

could be reconditioned

again this year.



## TEAM MANAGEMENT PROFILES



### Robbie Deans Head Coach

Qantas Wallabies mentor Robbie Deans has made a major impact since becoming the first non-Australian to take on the role in 2008.

After a first year which featured some notable triumphs including wins over New Zealand, South Africa (twice), England and France, the last two seasons have provided a period of consolidation for the Wallabies as Deans has continued to infuse new blood into the team, fast tracking the next generation of players.

By the end of his third season at the helm, 28 new players had been inducted into the Test arena on the Deans' watch, while another group of players had been blooded in the international environment via the midweek tour matches that Deans re-introduced to the Australian programme.

Such was the level of the disruption that was provided by injury last season, 12 of the 34 players employed through the 15-Test schedule (or a staggering 35 percent of the players that Australia used), were new to Test rugby.

While the player 're-generation' policy did not come without some pain, which accounts for the Deans coaching record standing at 24 wins, one draw and 18 defeats as 2011 kicks off; last year provided some significant pointers to suggest that Deans and his fresh-faced Wallabies are on the right track.

Australia had risen to the number two ranking on the International Rugby Board rankings by the end of last year, while winning nine of 15 Tests through 2010.

The side was ranked fifth when Deans took over in 2008.

The notable performances in 2010 included a 41-39 win over South Africa at Bloemfontein, which snapped a 47-year run of outs for Australia on the South African high veldt.

It also made Deans the first Australian coach to win two matches in the Republic during the professional era.

There was also the dramatic come-from-behind 26-24 win over New Zealand in Hong Kong.

This win not only broke a run of 10 straight defeats to

the All Blacks, it also provided a telling reward for the decision to back the next generation of Australian players, when the 20-year-old James O'Connor supplied the after the bell try and conversion which won the game for the Wallabies.

Australia won four of the five Tests played on last year's Spring Tour, with the most eye-popping performance coming in the tour finale in Paris when the reigning Six Nations champions France were humiliated to the tune of a record 59-16 scoreline, with 46 unanswered points being scored during an astonishing final 32 minutes of the match.

The performance offered encouragement heading into this year's seventh World Cup.

The greater consistency in performance achieved by Australia last year was in keeping with the more settled nature of the core personnel.

Although the team profile remained on the youthful side, with Australia still the youngest of the top 10 nations on the IRB rankings with an average age of 24 years per player, experience levels are growing.

That was reinforced by the 504 collective Test appearances boasted by the Australian starting XV which beat France in the final game of 2010.

Prior to winning five of its last seven Tests last year, Australia had shown its capability without being able to perform consistently under Deans.

The credits in 2008 and 2009 included Australia's first instance of back-to-back wins over England at Twickenham, a rousing 21-6 win over world and Tri Nations champions South Africa at Brisbane in 2009, a year ending 33-12 rout of Wales in Cardiff later that same season, as well as consecutive wins over star-studded Barbarians teams in non-cap matches in each of those years.

Deans arrived in Australia midway through 2008 having just won his fifth Super Rugby title. He inherited a Wallabies side at a low ebb following the inglorious quarter-final exit against England in the previous season's Rugby World Cup which saw Australia's world ranking drop to an all-time low at five.



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### **Robbie Deans - Head Coach (continued)**

Morale boosting wins were required and Deans got them.

As well as beating England and France away from home back-to-back for the first time in a decade during the Spring Tour; Deans also masterminded Australia's first win on South Africa soil for eight years; which broke a run of 15 away Tri-Nations games without a win for the Wallabies.

Australia played a then record 14 Tests during Deans' first year in the job, winning nine of them – a creditable 64% return, especially given that 13 players gained their first experience in the Wallabies' jersey during the season.

His side also beat a Barbarians side, which contained four of the last five IRB Players of the Year, in Australia's season finale at Wembley.

Although the Wallabies were ultimately unable to wrest the Tri-Nations title from the All Blacks during the 2008 decider in Brisbane: in winning three matches, Australia still equalled its previous best, in terms of number of wins in the tournament, which was achieved in 2000.

Australia beat South Africa in Perth during its first meeting with the Springboks since that side had won the 2007 Rugby World Cup. The hard fought 16-9 win came a week after South Africa had beaten the All Blacks at Dunedin for the first time in 100 years.

The Wallabies also over-powered the All Blacks 34-19 at Sydney in Deans' first meeting with his former countrymen.

The New Zealander arrived at the Wallabies with grand coaching credentials, as the most successful coach in the history of Super Rugby.

He signed off with the Crusaders, having guided the side to the fifth Super Rugby title of his stewardship. His farewell year saw the former All Black fullback take the Crusaders to their seventh final of his tenure, with 2008 adding to the titles he captured in his maiden season in 2000, and again in 2002, 2005 and 2006. In 2002, the Deans-coached Crusaders became the only side in Super Rugby history to win every match it played during the competition. Between 2004 and

2007, his Crusaders also won a record 26 consecutive matches at home.

In 2007, he became the first coach in Super Rugby history to surpass a century of matches in charge. He ended his time in Christchurch with an overall record of 120 matches played for 89 wins, 1 draw and just 30 defeats – a 74 percent success rate.

Manager of the Crusaders between 1997 and 1999, a period during which the side also won titles in 1998 and 1999; at the time of his departure, Deans had been directly associated with all but the first 11 matches played by the competition's most successful franchise. As a player, Deans represented Canterbury for 12 seasons; appearing 146 times. Just three players have played in more matches for the province throughout its 129-year history. Deans scored 1641 points in those matches, which remains the Canterbury record despite the prolific point-scorers Andrew Mehrtens and Daniel Carter having graced the Canterbury jersey in the time since. Deans also played five Tests for New Zealand between 1983 and 1985, playing a pivotal role in the 2-1 series victory in Australia in 1984 which retained for the All Blacks the Bledisloe Cup.

As a coach, Deans first rose to prominence when he took over the Canterbury side in 1997.

The South Island powerhouse had last won the New Zealand NPC when Deans had been a player in 1983, prior to his taking charge.

Canterbury won it again during his first season — its first title in 14 years.

Deans later won the famous Ranfurly challenge Shield with Canterbury in 2000 before surrendering that role to concentrate entirely on the Crusaders. Deans was coopted to assist with the All Blacks between 2001 and 2003. During that period, New Zealand won 22, drew one and lost four of the Tests that it played, while winning both of the Tri-Nations it contested and recovering the Bledisloe Cup in 2003 after a five-year absence.



# TEAM MANAGEMENT PROFILES



### Jim Williams

A winner of the Rugby World Cup, the Super Rugby title and the European Cup during his playing career, Jim Williams returned to Australia in 2008 to link up with the Qantas Wallabies after serving as assistant coach at Munster.

There, he acted as forwards coach alongside the present Ireland coach Declan Kidney, as Munster won the 2007-08 European Cup title.

His subsequent association with Robbie Deans, who'd earlier won the 2008 Super Rugby title with the Crusaders, meant that the Wallabies had representatives from the club champions of both hemispheres on the coaching staff.

Together, during their three years at the helm, Williams and Deans have guided Australia to a record of 24 wins, one draw and 18 defeats.

This tally includes last year's record breaking win over France in Paris, as well as Australia's first win on the high veldt in South Africa for 47 years, which was also achieved last year.

The current coaches are the only Australian brains trust to have twice won matches in South Africa since the game went professional in 1996.

The pair also last year became just the second Australian coaches to have won consecutive matches away in Paris, after having become the first Wallaby coaches to win back-to-back Tests against England at Twickenham through 2008 and 2009.

As a player, Williams was renowned for his uncomplicated approach, with a strong running game a feature. He has brought these qualities to his coaching – both his Munster forwards, and now the Australian teams under his guidance, operate in a very direct manner. Williams began his State career playing with the NSW

Williams began his State career playing with the NSW Waratahs before moving to the ACT Brumbies for the 1998 Super Rugby season.

Selected for the Wallabies in the 1999 Test against Ireland in Brisbane, Williams would play another 13 Tests and was a member of the winning 1999 World Cup and 2000 Tri Nation's squads.

He moved to Munster at the start of the 2001-2002 season and by his second season had been named captain. Williams remained with Munster as an Assistant Coach after his retirement in 2005, aged 36, and helped the team to a European Cup final victory over Biarritz in 2006.

In 2007, he took over as Munster forwards coach, guiding the side to a second European title when the Irish club beat French heavyweights Toulouse in the 2007-08 final.



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### Bob Egerton Manager

A newcomer to the management team on last year's tour of Hong Kong & Europe, Bob Egerton was a Rugby World Cup-winning winger in his only playing season with the Wallabies in 1991.

Wallaby number 695, Egerton made his Test debut in the same match that saw the future skipper and twotime Rugby World Cup winner John Eales play his first game for Australia – the record breaking 63-6 win over Wales at Ballymore.

Egerton went on to feature nine times that year, attending the Rugby World Cup in England where Australia beat the home side 12-6 in the final, having upset the All Blacks 16-6 the week before in the semi-finals at Dublin.

Prior to joining the Wallabies, Egerton had attended Oxford University in England where he earned two rugby blues between 1987 and 1989. He later played for the Boston Rugby Club in the United States in 1992. Egerton also represented the NSW Waratahs in 1991 while playing 100 first grade games for Sydney University between 1982 and his retirement in 1993.

A teacher by trade, Egerton coached The King's School first XV for five seasons between 1996 and 2000 before getting involved at Sydney University, as Director of Rugby between 2001 and 2003, and first grade coach between 2002 and 2004. He was backs coach at the Brumbies in 2003 and 2004 before returning to teaching, coaching the Sydney Grammar School first XV between 2005 and 2010.

Qantas Wallabies 2011 Coaching Staff/Team Management

**Head Coach:** Robbie Deans **Forwards Coach:** Jim Williams **Scrum Coach:** Patricio Noriega

Head of High Performance: David Nucifora

Skills Coach: Phil Blake

**Strength & Conditioning Coach:** Peter Harding

Analyst: Andrew Sullivan
Manager: Robert [Bob] Egerton
Assistant Manager: Sam Cashman
Media Manager: Matt McILraith
Doctor: Warren MacDonald

Physiotherapists: Andrew Ryan, James Sutherland



## A BRIEF HISTORY OF RUGBY IN AUSTRALIA

As early as the 1820s, there were reports of Rugby games being played at Barrack Square in the city between the army and the crews of visiting ships. Rugby Union formally began in Australia with the formation of the first clubs; the oldest of which is the Sydney University Club, formed in 1864.

By 1874, there were enough clubs to form a Sydney Metropolitan competition.

In that year, the Southern Rugby Union was established, initially being administered from Twickenham in England.

Administration was handed over to New South Wales in 1881, and in 1892 the Southern Rugby Union of New South Wales and the Northern Rugby Union of Queensland (formed in 1883) became New South Wales and Queensland Rugby Unions respectively. Representatives from these two unions combined in 1899 when an Australian team played its first Test series - against a visiting team from the British Isles. Four tests were played, Australia winning the first test at the Sydney Cricket Ground 13-3. The second test in Brisbane, and the third and fourth in Sydney, were won by the British Isles who took out the series.

Without a national jersey, the Test matches in New South Wales were played in blue jerseys and in Queensland in maroon - both with the Australian Coat of Arms on their chests.

In 1903, Australia and New Zealand played a single test at the Sydney Cricket Ground in front of a crowd of 30,000. It was the first Test New Zealand had played, and was the beginning of intense rugby rivalry between the two nations. The crowd had grown to almost 50,000 at the same venue when Australia played New Zealand again in 1907.

As popular as Rugby had become, it would soon feel the impact of the breakaway professional game of Rugby League, which was formed in 1908. That same year the first Australian representative team, the foundation Wallabies, went on tour. Sailing on the steamship 'Omrah', the team spent nine months touring the United Kingdom, Ireland and North America.

Of the players, their ages ranged from 20 to 27 years old, height from 5'5" to 6'1"(only 1 player was over 6") and weight from 10 stone to 14 stone.

Following on the heels of a tour by the New Zealand All Blacks, the Australian team was pressured to produce a war cry similar to the Maori Haka.

The team were ordered to perform an Aboriginal war cry, but were embarrassed by it.

The Australian Captain Herbert 'Paddy' Moran called it the first Wallabies gravest affliction. The 1908 tour coincided with the London Olympic Games in which Rugby Union was a sport.

Invited to play, the Australian team won the gold medal by defeating Cornwall, the Champion English team representing England.

When the team returned home, 11 of its members were enticed by the money offered to join the newly formed Rugby League.

World War I had a devastating effect on Rugby in Australia. With so many young players enlisting to fight, the competition all but closed down in New South Wales, and did so in Queensland where it did not recommence until 1928.

During the 1920s, the only representative teams for international competition were the New South Wales Waratahs, the most famous of these sides touring the United Kingdom, France and North America in 1927/28.

In 1931, the then Governor General of New Zealand, Lord Bledisloe, donated a trophy to foster sporting ties between New Zealand and Australia. Bearing his name, the Bledisloe Cup was established.



## A BRIEF HISTORY OF RUGBY IN AUSTRALIA

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The inaugural meeting of the Australian Rugby Football Union was held on 25 November, 1949, with 11 delegates from New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, Tasmania and Victoria. That same year, the Wallabies went to New Zealand and won the Bledisloe Cup with back-to-back victories on New Zealand soil.

It would be 37 years before another Australian team emulated the feat.

The birth of the modern Bledisloe Cup rivalry, which has been much closer than in the earlier years, is generally accepted as having occurred in 1979 when Australia defeated New Zealand in a one-off Test at the Sydney Cricket Ground to win the trophy, and then completed a lap of honour around the stadium.

In 1984, the Wallabies completed a first ever Grand Slam of the four Home Unions in the United Kingdom. Two years later, the bulk of that squad were members of the Wallaby side that won the series, 2-1, in New Zealand to recapture the Bledisloe Cup.

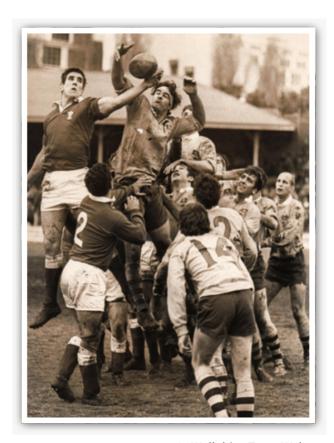
In 1987, following an idea floated by Australia and New Zealand, the inaugural Rugby World Cup was held across both countries. New Zealand won the opening event, but Australia collected the Webb Ellis Cup in 1991, and again in 1999, to become the first country to win it twice.

Australia hosted the tournament in 2003, and reached the final, where it was beaten by England in extra time.

By then, the game was professional, with that momentous leap occurring in 1996.

Two years later, Australian Rugby embarked on a golden period. Between 1998 and 2002, the Wallabies held the Bledisloe Cup continuously, mounting an unprecedented four successive defences of the trophy. They also won the Rugby World Cup in 1999, back-to-back Tri-Nations in 2000 and 2001, and beat the British & Irish Lions in 2001.

In 2008, a new chapter was added to Australian rugby history when the Wallabies embarked under the first foreign coach to ever guide the national team – Robbie Deans.



1969 Wallabies Test v Wales



# 2011 TEST VENUE INFORMATION

#### **ANZ Stadium – Homebush Bay, Sydney**

Test (i) – Australia v Samoa, 17 July, 2pm [AEST] Test (ii) – Australia v South Africa, 23 July, 8pm [AEST]

#### Capacity

83,647

#### **Record rugby crowd**

109,874 (Australia v New Zealand, 15 July 2000)

#### **Address**

Olympic Boulevard Sydney Olympic Park Homebush, Sydney NSW

#### Website

www.anzstadium.com.au

#### Transport information

www.anzstadium.com.au
www.131500.com.au (public transport information)

#### Ticketing agent

Ticketek - Ph: 132 849 www.ticketek.com.au

### **Ticket prices**

#### Samoa:

Reserved \$ 60.00

General Admission - Adult \$ 25.00

General Admission - Concession \$ 16.00

General Admission - Child \$ 13.00

Family \$ 50.00

(2 adults, 2 children or 1 adult, 3 children)

#### **South Africa:**

Platinum \$ 120.00

Gold - Adult \$ \$ 99.00

Silver – \$ 79.00

Silver - Concession \$ 51.00

Silver - Child \$ 40.00

Silver - Family \$ 158.00

(2 adults, 2 children or 1 adult, 3 children)

Bronze - Adult \$ 59.00

Bronze - Concession \$ 38.00

Bronze – Child \$ 30.00

Bronze - Family \$ 118.00

(2 adults, 2 children or 1 adult, 3 children)

#### Venue History:

Test Debut: 1999 – Australia 22, England 15

Number of Tests: 32 Australia wins: 21 Australia losses: 7

Draws: -

Other Internationals: (4) RWC 2003 – France 51, Scotland 10; New Zealand 53, Wales 37; England 24, France 7 (Semi-final), New Zealand 40, France 13 (3rd-4th Playoff).

#### **Venue Notes:**

- Was the home of the 2000 Sydney Olympics (for which the stadium was constructed), and also hosted the opening game, semi-finals, the playoff and the 2003 Rugby World Cup final.
- Has also been the home venue to the NRL rugby league grand final since 1999.
- Australia has appeared in 28 Tests in Homebush Bay, winning 21 of them, for a 75% winning ratio.
- Crowds of over 100,000 attended the first two Bledisloe Cup Tests at the venue in 1999 and 2000.
- South Africa has only appeared four times at the Olympic Stadium, debuting 11 years ago. Australia has won all four Tests between the sides at the ground and has won the last six in the city against the Springboks since they were readmitted to international rugby in 1992, after South Africa prevailed 19-12 on its return to Sydney in 1993.



- While South Africa didn't win the 2006 Test between the two nations at the Olympic Stadium, the two-point margin of defeat still represented a remarkable turnaround after the Springboks had been flogged 49-0 by the same Australian side in Brisbane a week earlier.
- Heading into 2011, Australia and South Africa have met on 74 occasions, with Australia winning 29 and South Africa 44 while the 2001 match in Perth was drawn 14-14,
- The last three Tests Australia has played at the ground have all been conceded by a single point twice against New Zealand in the last two years, and also to England last year.
- For three straight Tests through 2009 and last year, Matt Giteau was the only Australian player to score points in Tests at ANZ Stadium. Giteau scored 22 against France and 18 against New Zealand in 2009, and then 20 against England last year. The sequence was finally broken when James O'Connor scored Australia's opening try, 15 minutes into last year's Bledisloe Cup Test.

#### Australia v South Africa @ ANZ Stadium

2000: Australia 26, South Africa 6 2005: Australia 30, South Africa 12 2006: Australia 20, South Africa 18 2007: Australia 25, South Africa 17

#### Other Wallabies Tests at ANZ Stadium

1999: Australia 22, England 15 1999: Australia 28, New Zealand 7 2000: New Zealand 39, Australia 35

2001: Australia 29, British & Irish Lions 23 2001: Australia 29, New Zealand 26

2002: Australia 31, France 25

2002: Australia 16, New Zealand 14

2003: Australia 30, Wales 10

2003: New Zealand 50, Australia 21 2003: Australia 24, Argentina 8 (RWC)

2003: Australia 22, New Zealand 10 (RWC Semi-final)

2003: England 20, Australia 17 (aet – RWC Final)

2004: Australia 34, Scotland 13 2004: Australia 23, New Zealand 18

2005: Australia 74, Samoa 7

2005: New Zealand 30. Australia 13

2006: Australia 34, England 3 2007: Australia 29, Wales 23 2008: Australia 34, France 13

2008: Australia 34, New Zealand 19

2009: Australia 22, France 6

2009: New Zealand 19, Australia 18 2010: England 21, Australia 20 2010: New Zealand 23, Australia 22

#### **Eden Park - Auckland**

Tests – (i) Australia v New Zealand, 6 August, 7.35pm [5.35pm AEST]

(ii) Australia v Ireland, 17 September, 8.30pm [6.30pm, AEST]

(iii) Rugby World Cup Semi Final, 15-16 October, 9pm [7pm, AEST]

(iv) Rugby World Cup Final, 23 October, 9pm [7pm, AEST]

**Capacity:** 60,000

Stadium Contact: +64 9815 5551

#### **Venue History:**

Test Debut: 1921 – South Africa 9, New Zealand 5

Number of Tests: 77 New Zealand wins: 62 New Zealand losses: 10

Draws: 2

Other Test matches: (3) RWC 1987 - Romania 21, Zimbabwe 20; France 70 Zimbabwe 12; France 31, Fiji

16 (Quarter-Final)

#### **Australia Venue History:**

First Appearance: 1931 – New Zealand 20, Australia 13

Number of Tests: 21 Australia wins: 4 Australia losses: 17

Draws: -



#### **Venue Notes:**

- Remodelled last year in preparation for 2011, Eden Park will this year become the first venue to have witnessed two Rugby World Cup finals, after the inaugural tournament decider in 1987 was held at the ground.
- The ground is one of three Test venues to have been used within the Auckland City area. The first ever Test in Auckland was played at Potter's Park in 1908 when New Zealand beat the Anglo-Welsh.
- In 1958, New Zealand's 17-8 win over Australia was played at the Epsom Showgrounds while construction of the old number one grandstand at Eden Park was in progress.
- New Zealand lost its first ever Test at Eden Park, 9-5 to South Africa in 1921.
- The ground, which also hosts Test and one-day cricket internationals, is home to the Auckland NPC side and the Blues in Super 14.
- All Black first five-eighths Andrew Mehrtens kicked a world record equalling nine penalty goals in New Zealand's 34-15 win over Australia in 1999.
- Australia hasn't prevailed at Eden Park since 1986, when an Andrew Slack-led side won 22-9 to claim the Bledisloe Cup after a 2-1 series win.
- The last example of an Australian win across the Tasman was in 2001, when the Wallabies scored 23-15 in Dunedin. The All Blacks have won the 10 games that have been played on New Zealand soil since that match.
- 2001 was also the last instance of Australia winning consecutive Tests against New Zealand.
- The first Test between Australia and New Zealand in Auckland was played in 1931, with the home side winning 20-13.
- There have been 23 Tests between the two sides in the city, with New Zealand winning 19 of those contests and Australia four.
- Australia's wins were achieved in 1949 (16-9), 1955 (8-3), 1978 (30-16) and 1986 (22-9).
- New Zealand has won the last 11 Tests it has played against Australia at Eden Park, and has not been

- defeated on the ground by any country since France prevailed 23-20 in 1994.
- The All Black winning sequence at Eden Park stands at 21 matches, while they have been undefeated in 22, with the run starting in an 18-18 draw against South Africa in 1994.
- Australia (eight) have fallen more than any other side during the unbeaten sequence, followed by England and South Africa (three defeats each).

#### New Zealand v Australia at Eden Park

1931: New Zealand 20, Australia 13 1946: New Zealand 14, Australia 10 1949: Australia 16, New Zealand 9 1955: Australia 8, New Zealand 3 1962: New Zealand 16, Australia 8 1972: New Zealand 38, Australia 3 1978: Australia 30, New Zealand 16 1982: New Zealand 33, Australia 18 1985: New Zealand 10, Australia 9 1986: Australia 22, New Zealand 9 1989: New Zealand 24, Australia 12 1990: New Zealand 27, Australia 17 1991: New Zealand 6, Australia 3 1995: New Zealand 28, Australia 16 1999: New Zealand 34, Australia 15 2003: New Zealand 21, Australia 17 2005: New Zealand 34, Australia 24 2006: New Zealand 34, Australia 27 2007: New Zealand 26, Australia 12 2008: New Zealand 39, Australia 10 2009: New Zealand 22, Australia 16

## **New Zealand Unbeaten Sequence at Eden Park:** 1994-2011

1994: New Zealand 18, South Africa 18 1995: New Zealand 73, Canada 7 1995: New Zealand 28, Australia 16 1996: New Zealand 36, Scotland 12 1997: New Zealand 55, South Africa 35



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#### King's Park Stadium, Durban

## Test – Australia v South Africa, 28 August, 5pm [1am, 29 Aug, AEST]

#### **Capacity:**

Host Union: Kwa Zulu Natal RFU/SA Rugby SA Rugby contact: Andy Colquhoun (SA Rugby Head of Communications – Mob: +27 82 9260 789).

#### **Venue History:**

Number of Tests: 26 South Africa wins: 16 South Africa losses: 7

Draws: 3

Other Test matches: 1995 RWC (4) — England 24, Argentina 18; England 27, Italy 20; England 44, Samoa 22; France 36, Ireland 12 (Quarter-final).

#### **Australia Venue History:**

First Appearance: 1933 – Australia 21, South Africa 6

Number of Tests: 6 Australia wins: 3 Australia losses: 3

Draws: -

#### South Africa v Australia at Durban

1933: Australia 21, South Africa 6 1953: South Africa 18, Australia 8 1969: South Africa 16, Australia 9 2000: Australia 19, South Africa 18 2005: South Africa 22, Australia 16 2008: Australia 27, South Africa 15

#### **Venue Notes:**

- King's Park is home to the Sharks of Super Rugby, and the Natal Sharks who are the reigning champions of South Africa's provincial Currie Cup competition.
- Australia and South Africa have met on six previous occasions in Durban and are tied three wins apiece. Australia won in 1933 (21-6), 2000 (19-18) and most recently in 2008 (27-15), while South Africa claimed the honours in 1953 (18-8), 1969 (16-9) and 2004 (23-19).
- Two of the three wins achieved by Australia on South African soil through the professional era in the Tri Nations [1996-2010] have been claimed in Durban.
- South Africa has also played Test matches at the near-by Kingsmead, Durban's home for international cricket, winning four of the five games played at this venue.
- King's Park is one of three international sports venues in the Durban sport's precinct, being flanked on either side by the Kingsmead Test Cricket Ground and the new Moses Mabhida Stadium. The latter opened last year for the Football World Cup, hosting a number of matches, including the 1-0 semi-final victory by Spain over Germany.
- Ex-Wallaby skipper Stirling Mortlock, who kicked the winning penalty goal in 2000, was the only Australian player to feature in both Tri Nations wins achieved in Durban.



- Last year's dramatic success in Bloemfontein was just Australia's third win away from home from its last 22 away Tri Nations matches, and only its ninth win from 39 matches played on South African soil.
- Flyhalf Morne Steyn set a Tri Nations record when he scored all 31 of South Africa's points during the 31-19 success against New Zealand at Durban in 2009.
- The win at Bloemfontein made Robbie Deans the first Australian coach to win two matches on South African soil during the professional era (1996-2010).

#### **Suncorp Stadium - Brisbane**

Test – Australia v New Zealand, 27 August, 8pm [AEST]

**Capacity: 52,500** 

### Record rugby crowd

52,498 (Australia v New Zealand, 29 July 2006)

Address Castlemaine Street Milton, OLD

#### Website

www.suncorpstadium.com.au

Transport information

www.suncorpstadium.com.au www.transinfo.qld.gov.au (public transport information)

#### **Ticketing agent**

Ticketek Ph: 132 849 www.ticketek.com.au

#### **Ticket prices:**

Platinum \$ 189.00 Gold \$ 159.00 Silver - Adult \$ \$ 119.00 Silver - Concession \$ 77.00 Silver – Child \$ 60.00 Silver – Family \$ 269.00 (2 adults, 2 children or 1 adult, 3 children) Bronze - Adult \$ 84.00 Bronze – Concession \$ 55.00 Bronze – Child \$ 42.00

Bronze – Family \$ 189.00 (2 adults, 2 children or 1 adult, 3 children)

#### **Venue History:**

Test Debut: 1965 – Australia 12, South Africa 8

Number of Tests: 25 Australia wins: 15 Australia losses: 3

Draws: -

Other Internationals: (7) 2003 RWC – France 61, Fiji 18; Fiji 19, United States 18; Scotland 39, United States 15; New Zealand 91, Tonga 7; England 111, Uruguay 13; South Africa 60, Samoa 10; England 28, Wales 17 (Quarter-Final).

#### Test matches at Lang Park/Suncorp Stadium

1965: Australia 12, South Africa 8 1996: New Zealand 32, Australia 25 1997: Australia 32, South Africa 20 1998: Australia 76, England 0 1999: Australia 32, South Africa 6 2003: Australia 29, South Africa 9

2003: Australia 90, Romania 8 (RWC)

2003: Australia 33, Scotland 16 (RWC Quarter-Final)

2004: Australia 51, England 15 2005: Australia 37, France 31 2006: Australia 49, South Africa 0 2006: New Zealand 13, Australia 9 2007: Australia 31, Wales 0 2008: Australia 40, France 10 2008: New Zealand 28, Australia 24 2009: Australia 21, South Africa 6

2010: Australia 22, Ireland 15 2010: Australia 30, South Africa 13



#### Australia v New Zealand in Brisbane

1907: New Zealand 14, Australia 5 1914: New Zealand 17, Australia o 1929: Australia 17, New Zealand 9 1932: New Zealand 21, Australia 3 1938: New Zealand 20, Australia 14 1947: New Zealand 13, Australia 5 1951: New Zealand 16, Australia 6 1957: New Zealand 22, Australia 9 1962: New Zealand 20, Australia 6 1968: New Zealand 19, Australia 18 1974: Australia 16, New Zealand 16 1980: New Zealand 12, Australia 9 1984: New Zealand 19, Australia 15 1988: Australia 19, New Zealand 19 1992: Australia 19, New Zealand 17 1996: New Zealand 32, Australia 25 2006: New Zealand 13, Australia 9 2008: New Zealand 28, Australia 24

#### **Venue Notes:**

- Suncorp Stadium is one of four Test venues that have been used in Brisbane. The others are Ballymore, the Brisbane Exhibition Ground and the Woollongabba Ground, which is better known as the city's venue for cricket.
- Ballymore, which has traditionally been the home of rugby in Queensland, last hosted a Test in 2000 when Australia beat Argentina 53-6.
- Lang Park, as it was formerly known, was the scene of Australia's record-breaking 76-0 demolition of England in 1998.
- The ground is also the home venue for the Brisbane Bronco's club in the National Rugby League and the Queensland Roar in football's A-League competition.
- The site of the ground was originally a cemetery, and then later a rubbish dump before being rezoned as a sporting precinct. Lang Park became the headquarters for Queensland rugby league in 1957.

It was named for the late Reverend John Dunmore Lang who had established the original cemetery on the site in 1840.

- Lang Park hosted its first rugby league match in 1958.
- Its first rugby union international came seven years later in 1965, when Australia beat South Africa 12-8, although it did not become a regular union venue until 31 years later when Tri-Nations matches were held at the ground due to its greater capacity than Ballymore.
- The redevelopment into the venue we see today occurred between 2001 and 2003, being completed in time for the stadium to play a major part in the 2003 Rugby World Cup.
- Australia's three losses at the venue have all been sustained against New Zealand by margins of seven, four and four points respectively. These are the only matches that have been played at the ground between the Wallabies and the All Blacks.
- Australia did lose the first Test of the 2001 British & Irish Lions series in Brisbane, but the 13-29 defeat was sustained at the 'Gabba.
- There have been 18 previous trans-Tasman Test matches in Queensland, the most recent being three years ago when the All Blacks shaded the Wallabies 28-24 in what was effectively the 2008 Tri Nations final at Suncorp Stadium.
- Overall, New Zealand has won 14 of the previous 18 matches in Queensland and Australia two, while two further matches (1974 & 1988) were drawn.
- Australia's wins were achieved in 1929 (17-9) and 1992 (19-17).
- The 19-19 draw between the sides at Ballymore in the second Test of the 1988 series was the most recent shared contest between the teams. This was 56 games ago.



# THE OPPOSITION - SAMOA



Home Union: Samoa Rugby Union

Founded: 1924

Rugby World Cup Record: Quarter-finalists 1991, 1995;

Pool Participants 1999, 2003, 2007.

**Current IRB Ranking: 11** 

**Coach:** Fuimaono Titimaea Tafua **Captain:** Maharoni Schwalger

On the web: www.samoarugbyunion.ws

The best performed of the three most prominent Pacific Island nations on the international rugby scene; Samoa announced its 'arrival' on the world stage with qualification for the quarter-finals at its maiden Rugby World Cup in 1991. The popular islanders backed up that effort by repeating the feat four years later, when they bowed out to the eventual 1995 tournament winners South Africa. The Samoan cause has been helped by its strong links to the New Zealand game, from where it draws much of its playing strength. While Samoa has not advanced beyond the pool stage at any of the last three World Cups, the side has still proved highly competitive and showed that it was on track for another strong performance this year by pushing England, Ireland and Scotland hard during last season's Spring Tour.

A Healthy Home Game: While the Samoan game is reliant on overseas-based stars at international level, the union does boast a healthy domestic club competition. There are 16 provincial unions in the islands, fed by 120 clubs which boast nearly 5000 senior players and over 10,000 juniors. The 15,000 registered players in the home islands represent nearly eight percent of the entire Samoan population, which is just under 183,000.

The Mighty Manu: Known as Western Samoa until the country officially dropped the 'Western' from its title in 1997, Samoa's rugby team took on the nickname 'Manu' Samoa when it asserted itself on the international stage in the lead up to participation at the 1991 Rugby World Cup. 'Manu' means warrior in Samoa, with the word stemming from the name of a famous Samoan chief who once ruled the islands. The

run up to the 1991 World Cup also saw Manu Samoa begin performing the siva tau, which is the aggressive war dance the team uses to issue a pre-game challenge to its opponents.

The Last Meeting – Australia 74, Samoa 7 at Sydney, 11 June, 2005

Current players, skipper Rocky Elsom and hooker Stephen Moore, made their Test debuts as the Qantas Wallabies opened the 2005 Test season with a commanding 67-point win over Samoa. The Pacific Islanders, who had competed strongly in two of their three previous meetings with Australia, were totally out-gunned on this occasion, falling behind 0-28 at halftime and eventually conceding 12 tries. Elsom marked his maiden appearance with a try while Nathan Sharpe (two) and Mark Chisholm also got their names on the score-sheet.

**For Australia:** Tries by Stirling Mortlock (2), Nathan Sharpe (2), Wendell Sailor (2), Rocky Elsom, Mark Chisholm, Clyde Rathbone, Morgan Turinui, Mat Rogers and Chris Latham; 5 conversions by Matt Giteau, 2 conversions by Mortlock.

**For Samoa:** Try by Terry Fanolua; conversion by Tupou Talapusi.

Halftime: Australia 28, Samoa o Referee: Lyndon Bray (New Zealand)

#### Australia v Samoa head-to-head record

Year	Winner	Score	Venue
1991	Australia	9-3	Pontypool*
1994	Australia	73-3	Sydney
1998	Australia	25-13	Brisbane
2005	Australia	74-7	Sydney

<sup>\*</sup> denotes a World Cup match

At All Venues: Australia 4 wins In Australia: Australia 3 wins At Neutral Venues: Australia 1 win



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**Biggest Australian win (margin) at all venues:** 70 (73-3), Sydney, 1994

**Biggest Australian winning score at all venues:** 74 (74-7), Sydney, 2005

Most points conceded by Australia at all venues: 13 (13-25), Brisbane, 1998

Most tries scored by Australia against Samoa: 12, Sydney, 2005

Most tries conceded by Australia at all venues: 2, Brisbane, 1998

#### **Individual Player Statistics**

**Most appearances by an Australian player against Samoa:** 3, Phil Kearns, 1991-98 & John Eales, 1991-98 Most appearances by a Samoan player against Australia: 4, Brian Lima, 1991-2005

Most points in a Test by an Australian player against Samoa: 18, David Knox, Sydney, 1994

Most points in a Test by a Samoan player against Australia: 5, John Clarke, Brisbane, 1998; Junior Paramore, Brisbane, 1998, & Terry Fanolua, Sydney, 2005

Most tries in a Test by an Australian player against Samoa: 2 on 5 occasions

Most tries in a Test by a Samoan player against Australia: 1 on 3 occasions

Most tries in a Test career by an Australian player against Samoa: 2 by 5 players

Most Points in a Test career by an Australian player against Samoa: 18, David Knox, 1994

#### **Leading Australian Try-scorers against Samoa**

- 2 Jason Little
- 2 Nathan Sharpe
- 2 Damien SmithStirling Mortlock
- 2 Wendell Sailor

#### **General Trivia**

Players to watch out for -

Paul Williams: Son of former All Black wing legend and later Samoan coach, Bryan 'Bee Gee' Williams; Paul has carved out a decent career for himself despite living in his father's shadow. The goal-kicking fullback played for the Highlanders and Crusaders in Super Rugby, and for Auckland and Canterbury in the New Zealand NPC, before trying his luck further afield with Irish province Connacht, and now (Manchester) Sale in England. Williams scored all of Samoa's points during its 13-26 loss to England in London last November, with his two tries being the first ever posted by a Samoan in a Test at Twickenham

**Kahn Fotuali'i:** A wonderfully talented footballer who is equally capable at both halfback and flyhalf, Fotuali'i was once touted as a potential All Black before he last year threw in his lot with his native Samoa. His ability is well known to Qantas Wallabies coach Robbie Deans, who first introduced him to the Crusaders. Fotuali'i, who will play for the Crusaders again in 2011, has also played for Tasman and Hawke's Bay in the New Zealand NPC.

Tasesa Lavea: Once of the Melbourne Storm, and then briefly the Northern Eagles; Tasesa Lavea has finally made good on all the early promise shown, before his stint in rugby league. Lavea was recruited to the 13-man code by then Storm coach Chris Anderson, after starring for New Zealand Schools in rugby union against its Australian counterpart. Lavea starred early but gradually fell from grace in Victoria, finally finding his way back to union after a brief stint with the ill-fated joint-merger Eagles on Sydney's north shore. Lavea resurfaced with the Blues in Super rugby, and Counties Manukau in the NPC, before heading for French club rugby, which also opened up the opportunity to appear for Samoa in Tests.



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**Ti'i Paulo:** Another ex-Crusader well known to Deans, Paulo was one of the best hookers on display in the 2010 Super Rugby competition, which resulted in his talents being snapped up by top French club, Clermont Auvergne. A former Kiwi age-grade captain, the robust hooker once played alongside All Blacks Jimmy Cowan, Luke McAlister and Joe Rokocoko in a world champion New Zealand Under-19 team.

Current State of play: Although Samoa has attended the last five Rugby World Cups after missing out on the inaugural event in 1987 when Fiji and Tonga represented the Pacific Islands, advancing beyond the pool phase has not gotten any easier. The team made the quarter-finals on debut in 1991 (lost to Scotland) and again in 1995 (lost to South Africa), but has not qualified since. The visit to Sydney will be a critical opportunity for the Samoan players ahead of another tough assignment in New Zealand later in the year where they find themselves in Pool D, grouped alongside South Africa, Wales, Fiji and Namibia. Samoa's most recent international play came on last year's Spring Tour of Japan, the United Kingdom and Ireland where they won 13-10 in Tokyo before losing Tests narrowly to Ireland (10-20), England (13-26) and Scotland (16-19). Samoa fielded a strong side on that trip, with the players drawn largely from European clubs as its Rugby World Cup preparations stepped up. Most of Samoa's players are either current of former Super Rugby representatives or boast experience in New Zealand's NPC.

**Did You Know:** The 2011 Rugby World Cup will be the first Samoa has attended without Brian Lima. The hard-tackling back, who was known universally as 'the chiropractor', finally called it a day after featuring at his fifth world championship in France four years ago. Lima, who had barely left school when he featured in Samoa's shock 16-13 win over Wales that set alight the 1991 Rugby World Cup, was the last remaining link from the current team to the celebrated Samoan class of '91. Lima also played for the Blues, Highlanders and Bristol in England during a distinguished career.

Hanging from the trees: Samoa's international against Fiji at Apia in 1924 was an auspicious occasion, and not just because it was the first Test match for both countries. The game kicked off at 7am, so that the Samoan players could still put in a decent days work afterwards. It was also played on a field, the Racecourse Ground in Apia, which contained a tree in the middle of it. Fiji won 6-o which was a just reward for the visitors, given that the Fijian players had paid their own fares in order to make the trip. Samoa won its first international a month later, when the Fijians returned to Apia on their way home from games played in Tonga. Second time around, Samoa prevailed 9-3. Incredibly this was to be Samoa's only Test win for 47 years, as Test outings were intermittent for the country during this period. Win #2 was finally achieved in 1971 when Western Samoa beat New Caledonia and then Tahiti and the Cook Islands to win the fourth South Pacific Championship. Fiji and Tonga, who had shared the previous three editions of that tournament between them, did not compete.



# THE OPPOSITION SOUTH AFRICA



Nickname: The Springboks

National Emblem (s): (i) The Protea flower, (ii) The

Springbok

Home Union: South Africa Rugby Union

Founded: 1992 (SA Rugby – previously South Africa

Rugby Football Union)

Rugby World Cup Record: Winners 1995, 2007, Semi-

finalists 1999, Quarter-finalists 2003

Current IRB Ranking: 3 Coach: Peter de Villiers Captain: John Smit

On the web: www.sarugby.co.za

A two-time World Cup winner, South Africa quickly resumed its place as one of Australia's fiercest onfield rivals, after returning to international sporting competition following an end to the apartheid-enforced isolation, in 1992. South Africa re-emerged at a time where Australia held the Rugby World Cup, and the state of competition between the two countries has generally been a lot tighter in the years since isolation ended, than it was in the period before apartheid South Africa was shunned. The current close links between the two SANZAR partnership member nations are reinforced by the participation of their respective provincial teams in the annual Super Rugby competition. South Africa currently holds both the Rugby World Cup and the Tri-Nations title.

#### The Trophy – The Mandela Challenge Plate

Established for competition in 2000, when it was won by Australia during a one off match in Melbourne, the Mandela Trophy was named for the former African National Congress activist, then post-apartheid era South African president, Nelson Mandela. The trophy is now contested across the annual matches that are played between the two countries during the Tri-Nations, with Australia regaining the silverware by winning two of the three matches that were played last year.

The Last Meeting (in South Africa) – Australia 41, South Africa 39 at Bloemfontein, 4 September, 2010

An after the siren penalty goal from near halfway by Kurtley Beale handed Australia its first win on the South African high veldt in 13-matches over a period spanning 47 years after a dramatic night at Bloemfontein. The visitors had seen a 31-6 lead after 25 minutes gobbled up by the Springboks, who appeared set for victory when they pulled away by five against an Australian side reduced to 14 men when Saia Faingaa was yellow carded. But a try by Drew Mitchell breathed new life into the contest before Beale's dramatic intervention completed the historic comeback. The win, which reclaimed the Mandela Challenge Plate, was just the Wallabies' third success in South Africa in the professional era, but its second in three years under the stewardship of Robbie Deans.

**For Australia:** Tries by Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Rocky Elsom, Stephen Moore and Drew Mitchell; 4 conversions and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau, conversion by James O'Connor, penalty goal by Kurtley Beale.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaque Fourie, Gurthro Steenkamp and Jean de Villiers; 3 conversions and 6 penalty goals by Morné Steyn.

Halftime: Australia 31, South Africa 13 Referee: Wayne Barnes (England)

Australia: Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 70 min), Drew Mitchell (replaced by Anthony Faingaa, 72 min), Quade Cooper, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 54 min), Ben McCalman (replaced by Richard Brown, 70 min, temporarily replaced by Stephen Moore, 78-80 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 53 min), Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by James Slipper, 21 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Saia Faingaa, 65 min), Benn Robinson.



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**South Africa:** Francois Steyn, JP Pietersen, Jaque Fourie, Jean de Villiers, Bryan Habana (replaced by Gio Aplon, 50 min), Morné Steyn, Francois Hougaard, Pierre Spies (replaced by Ryan Kankowski, 65 min), Juan Smith, Schalk Burger, Danie Rossouw (replaced by Francois van der Merwe, 61 min), Victor Matfield, Jannie du Plessis (replaced by CJ van der Linde, 55 min), John Smit (captain, replaced by Chiliboy Ralepelle, 65 min), Gurthro Steenkamp.

**The Last Meeting (in Australia)** – Australia 30, South Africa 13 at Brisbane, 24 July, 2010

Australia extended its winning streak over South Africa in Brisbane to eight consecutive matches after fashioning a 17-point win in its opening game of last year's Tri Nations. While both sides scored two tries, the Wallabies were always in control as they handed the defending Tri Nations title-holders a third successive defeat on their annual antipodean tour. The success allowed Australia to begin the competition on a winning note for just the second time in the last 11 seasons. It also represented a winning introduction for seven of the Australian players, who were on debut in the competition.

**For Australia:** Tries by Drew Mitchell and Will Genia; conversion and a penalty goal by James O'Connor, 5 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaque Fourie and Gurthro Steenkamp; penalty goal by Morné Steyn.

Halftime: Australia 17, South Africa 3 Referee: George Clancy (Ireland)

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, James O'Connor, Rob Horne, Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 72 min), Drew Mitchell, Quade Cooper, Will Genia, Richard Brown (replaced by Ben McCalman, 69 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Dean Mumm (replaced by Rob Simmons, 67 min), Salesi Ma'afu, Saia Faingaa (replaced by Stephen Moore, 53 min), Benn Robinson (replaced by James Slipper, 58 min).

**South Africa:** Zane Kirchner, Gio Aplon, Jaque Fourie, Wynand Olivier (replaced by Francois Hougaard, 53 min), Bryan Habana, Morné Steyn (replaced by Juan de Jongh, 53 min), Ruan Pienaar (replaced by Butch James, 71 min), Pierre Spies (temporarily replaced by CJ van der Linde, 49-55 min), Ryan Kankowski, Schalk Burger, Victor Matfield, Danie Rossouw (replaced by Flip van der Merwe, 67 min), BJ Botha (replaced by CJ van der Linde, 67 min), John Smit (captain, replaced by Chiliboy Ralepelle, 71 min), Gurthro Steenkamp.





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### Australia v South Africa head-to-head record

Year	Winner	Score	Location
1921	South Africa	25-10	Sydney
1921	South Africa	16-11	Sydney
1921	South Africa	28-9	Sydney
1933	South Africa	17-3	Cape Town
1933	Australia	21-6	Durban
1933	South Africa	12-3	Johannesburg
1933	South Africa	11-0	Port Elizabeth
1933	Australia	15-4	Bloemfontein
1937	South Africa	9-5	Sydney
1937	South Africa	26-17	Sydney
1953	South Africa	25-3	Johannesburg
1953	Australia	18-14	Cape Town
1953	South Africa	18-8	Durban
1953	South Africa	22-9	Port Elizabeth
1956	South Africa	9-0	Sydney
1956	South Africa	9-0	Brisbane
1961	South Africa	28-3	Johannesburg
1961	South Africa	23-11	Port Elizabeth
1963	South Africa	14-3	Pretoria
1963	Australia	9-5	Cape Town
1963	Australia	11-9	Johannesburg
1963	South Africa	22-6	Port Elizabeth
1965	Australia	18-11	Sydney
1965	Australia	12-8	Brisbane
1969	South Africa	30-11	Johannesburg
1969	South Africa	16-9	Durban
1969	South Africa	11-3	Cape Town
1969	South Africa	19-8	Bloemfontein
1971	South Africa	19-11	Sydney
1971	South Africa	14-6	Brisbane
1971	South Africa	18-6	Sydney

Year	Winner	Score	Location
1992	Australia	26-3	Cape Town
1993	South Africa	19-12	Sydney
1993	Australia	28-20	Brisbane
1993	Australia	19-12	Sydney
1995	South Africa	27-18	Cape Town*
1996	Australia	21-16	Sydney
1996	South Africa	25-19	Bloemfontein
1997	Australia	32-20	Brisbane
1997	South Africa	61-22	Pretoria
1998	South Africa	14-13	Perth
1998	South Africa	29-15	Johannesburg
1999	Australia	32-6	Brisbane
1999	South Africa	10-9	Cape Town
1999	Australia	27-21	Twickenham*
2000	Australia	44-23	Melbourne
2000	Australia	26-6	Sydney
2000	Australia	19-18	Durban
2001	South Africa	20-15	Pretoria
2001	Drawn	14-14	Perth
2002	Australia	38-27	Brisbane
2002	South Africa	33-31	Johannesburg
2003	South Africa	26-22	Cape Town
2003	Australia	29-9	Brisbane
2004	Australia	30-26	Perth
2004	South Africa	23-19	Durban
2005	Australia	30-12	Sydney
2005	South Africa	33-20	Johannesburg
2005	South Africa	22-16	Pretoria
2005	South Africa	22-19	Perth
2006	Australia	49-0	Brisbane
2006	Australia	20-18	Sydney
2006	South Africa	24-16	Johannesburg

<sup>\*</sup> denotes Rugby World Cup match

<sup>#</sup> includes NSW matches from 1919 to 1928





**At All Venues:** Australia 29 wins, South Africa 44 wins, 1 drawn

**In Australia:** Australia 19 wins, South Africa 14 wins, 1 drawn

**In South Africa:** South Africa 30 wins, Australia 9 wins At Neutral Venues: Australia 1 win

**Biggest Australian win (margin) at all venues:** 49 (49-0), Brisbane, 2006

**Biggest Australian win (margin) in Australia:** 49 (49-0), Brisbane, 2006

**Biggest Australian win (margin) in South Africa:** 23 (26-3), Cape Town, 1992

**Heaviest Australian defeat (margin) at all venues:** 45 (8-53), Johannesburg, 2008

**Heaviest Australian defeat (margin) in Australia:** 21 (9-28), Sydney, 1921

Heaviest Australian defeat (margin) in South Africa: 45 (8-53), Johannesburg, 2008

**Biggest Australian winning score at all venues:** 49 (49-0), Brisbane, 2006

**Biggest Australian winning score in Australia:** 49 (49-0), Brisbane, 2006

**Biggest Australian winning score in South Africa:** 41 (41-39), Bloemfontein, 2010

**Heaviest Australian defeat (score) at all venues:** 61 (22-61), Pretoria, 1997

**Heaviest Australian defeat (score) in Australia:** 32 (25-32), Perth, 2009

**Heaviest Australian defeat (score) in South Africa:** 61 (22-61), Pretoria, 1997

Most points scored by Australia at all venues: 49 (49-0), Brisbane, 2006

**Most points scored by Australia in Australia:** 49 (49-0), Brisbane, 2006

Most points scored by Australia in South Africa: 41 (41-39), Bloemfontein, 2010

**Most points conceded by Australia at all venues:** 61 (22-61), Pretoria, 1997

**Most points conceded by Australia in Australia:** 32 (25-32), Perth, 2009

**Most points conceded by Australia in South Africa:** 61 (22-61), Pretoria, 1997

**Most tries scored by Australia at all venues:** 6, Brisbane, 2006

**Most tries scored by Australia in Australia:** 6, Brisbane, 2006

Most tries scored by Australia in South Africa: 5, Bloemfontein, 2010

**Most tries conceded by Australia at all venues:** 8 on three occasions

Most tries conceded by Australia in Australia: 7, Sydney, 1921

**Most tries conceded by Australia in South Africa:** 8 on three occasions

**Individual Player Statistics** 

Most appearances by an Australian player against South Africa: 30, George Gregan, 1995-2007

Most points in a Test by an Australian player against South Africa: 29, Stirling Mortlock, Melbourne, 2000

Most points in a Test by a South African against Australia: 26, Jannie de Beer, Pretoria, 1997

Most tries in a Test by an Australian against South Africa: 2 on nine occasions

Most tries in a Test by a South African against Australia (excludes NSW matches): 4, Jonge Nokwe, Johannesburg, 2008

Most tries in a Test career by an Australian against South Africa: 9, Matt Giteau, 2003-10





#### **Leading Australian Point-scorers against South Africa**

159	Matt Giteau
150	Stirling Mortlock
140	Matthew Burke
39	Marty Roebuck

### Leading Point-scorers for South Africa against Australia

140	Percy Montgomery
83	Morné Steyn
64	Piet Visagie
64	Joel Stransky
62	Jannie de Beer
54	Braam van Straaten

#### **Leading Australian Try-scorers against South Africa**

9	Matt Giteau
7	Stirling Mortlock
6	Stephen Larkham
5	Ben Tune
5	Joe Roff
5	Chris Latham

#### Leading Try-scorers for South Africa against Australia

7	<b>Breyton Paulse</b>
5	Jannie Engelbrecht
5	Bryan Habana
5	Piet Visagie

#### **General Trivia:**

The Man in charge: He might seemingly attract more than his share of personal headlines, and appears destined to always polarize views; but the numbers still add up for Pieter de Villiers. 'Div' as the Bok media have taken to calling him, inherited a Rugby World Cupwinning outfit and made it even better. The country's first coloured Bok coach in 2008 presided over South Africa's first win in Dunedin for 100 years - which was just South Africa's second Tri-Nations success on New Zealand soil in 13 years. He then backed that success up at Hamilton a year later to annex just the Boks third title in the 14-year history of the Tri Nations, completing a three-nil series Slam of the All Blacks in the process. De Villiers-coached Bok teams have also achieved record victories over Australia (53-8 at Johannesburg in 2008) and England (42-6 in London in 2008), as well as taking out the 2009 British & Irish Lions. He enters 2011 with a record of 24 wins and 14 defeats as Bok coach, having won 10 and lost nine outside of South Africa. From matches against Australia, De Villiers starts 2011 having won four and lost five. The Springbok coach followed a similar path to the top job as that of his predecessor Jake White, with both men having achieved international age-group success prior to assuming the top office.

#### Most Australian Caps against South Africa

30	George Gregan
23	Stephen Larkham
22	George Smith
21	Matt Giteau
18	Stirling Mortlock
17	<b>David Wilson</b>
17	Phil Waugh





**King of the Captains:** From humble beginnings, leading his country against the 'might' of Georgia during the Boks' ill-fated 2003 Rugby World Cup campaign; John Smit has emerged as a national icon for South African sport.

Despite skipping last year's Spring Tour due to injury rehabilitation, which allowed second rower Victor Matfield to both take the captaincy and also to surpass Smit's South African record of 102 Test appearances, Smit remains his country's main man. Last year, Smit worked his way into position as the most capped skipper of any nation. The durable 32-year-old heads into 2011 having led South Africa on 76 occasions, which is clear of his closest 'rival', Ireland's Brian O'Driscoll. To put his numbers in perspective; Smit has donned the captain's arm band on 17 more occasions than George Gregan led Australia (59), 21 more than John Eales (55) and 19 more than his All Black counterpart Richie McCaw (57), who last year became New Zealand's most capped skipper. During his time as leader, Smit has taken the Boks to Tri Nations' titles in 2004 and 2009, a British & Irish Lions series success in 2009 as well as the 2007 Rugby World Cup. He has faced Australia on 21 occasions in Tests and is batting at 50 percent – with 10 wins, 10 losses and the 2001 draw in Perth. In total, Smit heads into the year of the Springboks World Cup defence having won 64 of his Tests, lost 36 and drawn two.

A Familiar Figure: As well as finishing his career with the most Test appearances of any player from any country against South Africa, former Qantas Wallabies skipper George Gregan also marked the occasion of becoming the most capped Australian player of all time up against South Africa. Gregan's 102nd Test cap, which allowed him to surpass David Campese, came during the 2004 Durban Test which decided that year's Tri-Nations. Gregan opposed South Africa on 30 occasions. By contrast Campese, whose career between 1982 and 1996 largely coincided with the period of South African sporting isolation, only appeared against South Africa seven times.

**The numbers game:** With 511,561 registered players; South Africa is second only to England among player registrations on IRB lists, boasting overall participation rates that dwarf those of its Tri-Nations rivals. Figures held by the International Rugby Board record New Zealand's registration figure at 139,968, while Australia has 82,818 active playing participants.

**Perth Plunderers:** South Africa has won three of its 17 Tri Nations matches on Australian soil since the tournament kicked off in 1996, but has had all of those successes at Subiaco Oval in Perth. The Springboks also drew at Perth in 2001, but have thus far not been able to beat Australian anywhere else!

Brisbane Bombers: In complete contrast to their record in Perth, the Boks seem to just hate playing in Brisbane which is why they will be pleased to be skipping the city, in favour of a Test in Sydney, this year. South Africa has lost its last eight in a row in the Sunshine State, including two years ago where the 6-21 defeat was their only loss of that year's Tri Nations. The two tries the Boks managed during last year's 13-30 defeat were the first South Africa had scored in five Brisbane Tests. They have lost all five Tests they have played at Suncorp Stadium.

**Drought Breaker:** Playing South Africa in Brisbane has twice proved a drought breaker for Australia in recent Tri-Nations tournaments. The 21-6 win two years ago was Australia's first of the 2009 Tri Nations, snapping a record equalling six-game losing run in the tournament, which dated back to the team's win over South Africa at Durban in 2008. Australia's record 49-0 drubbing of the Boks in 2006 also ended a six-game losing sequence in the competition, while last year's 30-13 win was only the second time from the last 11 seasons that the Wallabies had opened the competition with a win.





Making His Mark: Morné Steyn has only played six Tests against Australia, for three wins and three losses, but the Bulls marksman hasn't wasted any time in making an impression. The dead-eyed 26-year-old, who has already shared in three Super Rugby titles, has clocked up 83 points from those matches – with 60 of these coming from penalty goals. Steyn was flawless with the boot during the 2010 Tri Nations, kicking 16 from 16 against Australia, and 29 from 29 through the tournament as a whole. Steyn last year became just the third South African to exceed 250 Test points and he is now in pursuit of the country's record-holder, Percy Montgomery, who clocked up 893 points from his 102 Test appearances. Naas Botha is second on the list with 312. Montgomery, who is now the Springbok kicking coach, is the only South African to have totalled more points against Australia than has Steyn, being 57 points ahead.

The Slippery Slope: While South Africa went on to annex its second Tri-Nations a week later in Hamilton: it is starting to look like the Boks' loss to Australia in Brisbane towards the tail end of the 2009 Tri Nations might have been the first sign that the 2007 Rugby World Cup-winners and 2009 Lion Tamers were getting the wobbles. The 6-21 reverse, which came a week after the Boks had beaten Australia in Perth, was just the second loss South Africa had sustained from 12 Tests since its defeat against Australia at Durban in 2008. And the previous one had come in the dead third rubber against the British & Irish Lions earlier in 2009, when the Springboks had fielded a much changed team. The Boks subsequently lost Tests to France and Ireland, as well as dropping two midweek matches, on their 2009 end of year tour before collapsing in last year's Tri Nations where they returned just one win from six. Last year's Spring Tour saw South Africa beat Ireland and England but lose to Scotland and the Barbarians.

**Geriatrics?:** There's no getting away from it. Father time is starting to catch up with the current Rugby World Cup holders. The Springbok starting line-up for the historic 39-41 loss to Australia at Bloemfontein last year was the most experienced ever fielded by the South Africa, boasting a combined total of 750 Test caps, 50 more than the previous best, which had been set earlier in the Tri Nations. The team featured two of the country's three Test centurions – John Smit and Victor Matfield – while five other players had featured in excess of 50 Test matches.

**The Missing Link:** The 2010 Test season won't go down as one of the greats in South African history. It was no coincidence that the Boks' slide in fortunes coincided with the period endured on the sidelines by their star halfback, Fourie du Preez. The 29-year-old Bulls player, who should have won the 2009 IRB Player of the Year award, had won 38 of his 55 Tests before being sidelined by injury. His experience and leadership was sorely missed when things started to go wrong for the Boks during the last Tri Nations. Du Preez has often been a thorn in Australia's side since his international debut in 2004, winning eight of his 14 Tests against the Wallabies. The two-time South African Player of the Year (in 2006 & 2009) is also in credit against the All Blacks, having prevailed on six of the 10 occasions in which he has faced the haka.

**Beware the 'H-Bomb':** The most lethal winger in the game, Bryan Habana has won six of his 13 Tests since first encountering the Qantas Wallabies in 2005. The brilliant South African, who grabbed a hat-trick while playing alongside a large number of Australians for the Barbarians against the All Blacks in 2009, has scored five previous Test tries against Australia – twice grabbing doubles during the wins at Perth in 2005 and 2009. He ended 2010 as South Africa's leading Test try-scorer with 38 to his name.





**Nickname:** The All Blacks **National Emblem:** A Silver Fern

Home Union: New Zealand Rugby Union

**Founded: 1892** 

**Rugby World Cup Record:** Champions 1987, Finalists 1995, Semi-finalists 1991 (3<sup>rd</sup>), 1999 (4<sup>th</sup>), 2003 (3<sup>rd</sup>),

Quarter-finalists 2007 Current IRB Ranking: 1 Coach: Graham Henry Captain: Richard McCaw

On the web: www.allblacks.com

A much anticipated fixture on the international calendar since the inaugural meeting in 1903, Australia and New Zealand have met on 164 occasions – four of which have been on neutral turf. The most recent of these was in 2010 at Hong Kong Stadium. This was just the third non-Rugby World Cup fixture to be played between the two countries outside of their respective homelands.

#### The Trophy - The Bledisloe Cup

The Bledisloe Cup has been the symbol of trans-Tasman rugby since 1931 when it was donated by the then Governor-General of New Zealand, Lord Bledisloe. The Cup was first won by Australia in 1934 however it is generally agreed that it was not until the Wallabies' 12-6 win over the All Blacks at the Sydney Cricket Ground in 1979, that the much closer rivalry of the modern era commenced. The competition for the Cup has varied between one and four matches, and sometimes featured a three-to-four year gap between series, although the two countries agreed in 1982 to play at least one game for the Cup annually. The introduction of the Tri-Nations series in 1996 ensured at least two matches are played every year on a home and away basis. Australia dominated the trophy for five years after regaining it with a 3-0 series success in 1998. New Zealand has now held it through eight consecutive series after an All Black side that was co-coached by current Qantas Wallabies mentor Robbie Deans won the 2003 series two matches to nil. Last year's series win was New Zealand's 36th from the 52 'series' that have been played since the trophy was introduced 80-years ago. Australia has won nine, the most recent of which was a 2-0 success in 2001, with seven drawn. 2010 represented New Zealand's six series success, with three others drawn, in the time since Australia last won a Bledisloe Cup series. The first meeting of 2011, at Eden Park in Auckland, will be the 123<sup>rd</sup> Bledisloe Cup Test to be played. Qantas Wallabies coach Robbie Deans was the coaching coordinator for the All Blacks in the 100<sup>th</sup>, when New Zealand beat Australia 21-17 at Auckland in 2003 to regain the trophy.

**The Last Meeting (in Australia)** – New Zealand 23, Australia 22 at Sydney, 11 September, 2010

New Zealand became the first side to win all six matches in the expanded Tri Nations series after rallying from 9-22 down in the last 14 minutes to snatch a record 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive win over Australia. The game represented the sixth occasion, through those 10 defeats, that Australia had led at halftime but been run down. It was also Australia's third consecutive defeat by a single point in Sydney, the second of which had been inflicted on the Wallabies by New Zealand.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Richard McCaw and Kieran Read; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Piri Weepu. For Australia: Tries by James O'Connor and Adam Ashley-Cooper; penalty goals by Matt Giteau (3) and Kurtley Beale.

**Halftime:** Australia 14, New Zealand 6 **Referee:** Mark Lawrence (South Africa)

Australia: Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Adam Ashley-Cooper (replaced by Anthony Faingaa, 79 min), Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 78 min), Lachie Turner, Quade Cooper (temporarily replaced by Berrick Barnes, 66-73 min), Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 71 min), Ben McCalman (replaced by Richard Brown, 73 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 55 min), Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by James Slipper, 53 min), Stephen Moore, Benn Robinson.





**New Zealand:** Malili Muliaina, Cory Jane (replaced by Rene Ranger, 67 min), Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu, Israel Dagg, Aaron Cruden (replaced by Colin Slade, 60 min), Piri Weepu (replaced by Jimmy Cowan, 79 min), Kieran Read, Richard McCaw (captain), Victor Vito (replaced by Jerome Kaino, 48 min), Brad Thorn, Tom Donnelly (replaced by Anthony Boric, 60 min), Owen Franks (replaced by John Afoa, 60 min), Keven Mealamu (replaced by Corey Flynn, 11 min), Tony Woodcock.

**The Last Meeting (in New Zealand)** – New Zealand 20, Australia 10, at Christchurch, 7 August, 2010

New Zealand retained the Bledisloe Cup for the seventh straight year after securing an unassailable two-nil series lead following a hard fought win in Christchurch. The All Blacks were held to just three second half points, but kept Australia scoreless during this period as they recorded their 11th consecutive win over the Wallabies on New Zealand soil since the most recent defeat in 2001.

For New Zealand: Tries by Malili Muliaina and Conrad Smith; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Daniel Carter. For Australia: Try by Kurtley Beale; conversion and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

Halftime: New Zealand 17, Australia 10 Referee: Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

Australia: Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Anthony Faingaa, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Will Genia, Richard Brown (replaced by Matt Hodgson, 56 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Rob Simmons, 65 min), Dean Mumm, Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by James Slipper, 65 min), Saia Faingaa, Benn Robinson.

New Zealand: Malili Muliaina, Joe Rokocoko, Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu, Cory Jane, Daniel Carter, Piri Weepu, Kieran Read, Richard McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino (replaced by Victor Vito, 70 min), Brad Thorn, Tom Donnelly (replaced by Sam Whitelock, 50min), Owen Franks (replaced by Ben Franks, 42 min), Keven Mealamu (replaced by Corey Flynn), Tony Woodcock.

The Last Meeting (at a neutral venue) – Australia 26, New Zealand 24 at Hong Kong, 30 October, 2010

Young Gun James O'Connor kicked himself into immortality when he scored a try after the final siren, and then converted it from wide out to hand Australia a thrilling two-point victory. The 20-year-old's deeds allowed the Wallabies to break a record 10-match losing sequence against the All Blacks, while also terminating a 15-game unbeaten run by New Zealand against all-comers which had lasted for over a year. Having lost six of the 10 matches after leading at halftime during their run of misses, this time it was the Wallabies who came from behind at the mid-point to turn the tables on the All Blacks.

**For Australia:** Tries by Quade Cooper, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Drew Mitchell and James O'Connor; conversions by O'Connor (2) and Matt Giteau.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Jimmy Cowan, Cory Jane and Ma'a Nonu; 3 conversions and a penalty goal by Daniel Carter.

Halftime: New Zealand 17, Australia 14 Referee: Alain Rolland (Ireland)

**Australia:** Kurtley Beale, Drew Mitchell, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 64 min), James O'Connor, Quade Cooper, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 77 min), Ben McCalman, David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 73 min), Ben Alexander, Stephen Moore (replaced by Saia Faingaa, 61 min), Benn Robinson (replaced by James Slipper, 51 min).

New Zealand: Malili Muliaina, Cory Jane (replaced by Isaia Toeava, 51 min), Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu, Joe Rokocoko, Daniel Carter (replaced by Stephen Donald, 60 min), Jimmy Cowan (replaced by Alby Mathewson, 73 min), Kieran Read, Richard McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino, Brad Thorn, Tom Donnelly (replaced by Sam Whitelock, 66 min), Owen Franks (replaced by John Afoa, 60 min), Keven Mealamu, Tony Woodcock.





#### Australia v New Zealand: head-to-head record

Year	Winner	Score	Venue
1903	New Zealand	22-3	Sydney
1905	New Zealand	14-3	Dunedin
1907	New Zealand	26-6	Sydney
1907	New Zealand	14-5	Brisbane
1907	Drawn	5-5	Sydney
1910	New Zealand	6-0	Sydney
1910	Australia	11-0	Sydney
1910	New Zealand	28-13	Sydney
1913	New Zealand	30-5	Wellington
1913	New Zealand	25-13	Dunedin
1913	Australia	16-5	Christchurch
1914	New Zealand	5-0	Sydney
1914	New Zealand	17-0	Brisbane
1914	New Zealand	22-7	Sydney
1920	New Zealand	26-15	Sydney
1920	New Zealand	14-6	Sydney
1920	New Zealand	24-13	Sydney
1921	NSW	17-0	Christchurch
1922	New Zealand	26-19	Sydney
1922	NSW	14-8	Sydney
1922	NSW	8-6	Sydney
1923	New Zealand	19-9	Dunedin
1923	New Zealand	34-6	Christchurch
1923	New Zealand	38-11	Wellington
1924	NSW	20-16	Sydney
1924	New Zealand	21-5	Sydney
1924	New Zealand	38-8	Sydney
1925	New Zealand	26-3	Sydney
1925	New Zealand	4-0	Sydney
1925	New Zealand	11-3	Sydney
1925	New Zealand	36-10	Auckland
1926	NSW	26-20	Sydney
1926	New Zealand	11-6	Sydney
1926	New Zealand	14-0	Sydney

Year	Winner	Score	Venue
1926	New Zealand	28-21	Sydney
1928	New Zealand	15-12	Wellington
1928	New Zealand	16-14	Dunedin
1928	NSW	11-8	Christchurch
1929	Australia	9-8	Sydney
1929	Australia	17-9	Brisbane
1929	Australia	15-13	Sydney
1931	New Zealand	20-13	Auckland
1932	Australia	22-17	Sydney
1932	New Zealand	21-3	Brisbane
1932	New Zealand	21-13	Sydney
1934	Australia	25-11	Sydney
1934	Drawn	3-3	Sydney
1936	New Zealand	11-6	Wellington
1936	New Zealand	38-13	Dunedin
1938	New Zealand	24-9	Sydney
1938	New Zealand	20-14	Brisbane
1938	New Zealand	14-6	Sydney
1946	New Zealand	31-8	Dunedin
1946	New Zealand	14-10	Auckland
1947	New Zealand	13-5	Brisbane
1947	New Zealand	27-14	Sydney
1949	Australia	11-6	Wellington
1949	Australia	16-9	Auckland
1951	New Zealand	8-0	Sydney
1951	New Zealand	17-11	Sydney
1951	New Zealand	16-6	Brisbane
1952	Australia	14-9	Christchurch
1952	New Zealand	15-8	Wellington
1955	New Zealand	16-8	Wellington
1955	New Zealand	8-0	Dunedin
1955	Australia	8-3	Auckland





Year	Winner	Score	Venue
1957	New Zealand	25-11	Sydney
1957	New Zealand	22-9	Brisbane
1958	New Zealand	25-3	Wellington
1958	Australia	6-3	Christchurch
1958	New Zealand	17-8	Auckland
1962	New Zealand	20-6	Brisbane
1962	New Zealand	14-5	Sydney
1962	Drawn	9-9	Wellington
1962	New Zealand	3-0	Dunedin
1962	New Zealand	16-8	Auckland
1964	New Zealand	14-9	Dunedin
1964	New Zealand	18-3	Christchurch
1964	Australia	20-5	Wellington
1967	New Zealand	29-9	Wellington
1968	New Zealand	27-11	Sydney
1968	New Zealand	19-18	Brisbane
1972	New Zealand	29-6	Wellington
1972	New Zealand	30-17	Christchurch
1972	New Zealand	38-3	Auckland
1974	New Zealand	11-6	Sydney
1974	Drawn	16-16	Brisbane
1974	New Zealand	16-6	Sydney
1978	New Zealand	13-12	Wellington
1978	New Zealand	22-6	Christchurch
1978	Australia	30-16	Auckland
1979	Australia	12-6	Sydney
1980	Australia	13-9	Sydney
1980	New Zealand	12-9	Brisbane
1980	Australia	26-10	Sydney
1982	New Zealand	23-16	Christchurch
1982	Australia	19-16	Wellington
1982	New Zealand	33-18	Auckland
1983	New Zealand	18-8	Sydney
1984	Australia	16-9	Sydney
1984	New Zealand	19-15	Brisbane
1984	New Zealand	25-24	Sydney

Year	Winner	Score	Venue
1985	New Zealand	10-9	Auckland
1986	Australia	13-12	Wellington
1986	New Zealand	13-12	Dunedin
1986	Australia	22-9	Auckland
1987	New Zealand	30-16	Sydney
1988	New Zealand	32-7	Sydney
1988	Drawn	19-19	Brisbane
1988	New Zealand	30-9	Sydney
1989	New Zealand	24-12	Auckland
1990	New Zealand	21-6	Christchurch
1990	New Zealand	27-17	Auckland
1990	Australia	21-9	Wellington
1991	Australia	21-12	Sydney
1991	New Zealand	6-3	Auckland
1991	Australia	16-6	Dublin*
1992	Australia	16-15	Sydney
1992	Australia	19-17	Brisbane
1992	New Zealand	26-23	Sydney
1993	New Zealand	25-10	Dunedin
1994	Australia	20-16	Sydney
1995	New Zealand	28-16	Auckland
1995	New Zealand	34-23	Sydney
1996	New Zealand	43-6	Wellington
1996	New Zealand	32-25	Brisbane
1997	New Zealand	30-13	Christchurch
1997	New Zealand	33-18	Melbourne
1997	New Zealand	36-24	Dunedin
1998	Australia	24-16	Melbourne
1998	Australia	27-23	Christchurch
1998	Australia	19-14	Sydney
1999	New Zealand	34-15	Auckland
1999	Australia	28-7	Sydney
2000	New Zealand	39-35	Sydney
2000	Australia	24-23	Wellington



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Year	Winner	Score	Venue
2001	Australia	23-15	Dunedin
2001	Australia	29-26	Sydney
2002	New Zealand	12-6	Christchurch
2002	Australia	16-14	Sydney
2003	New Zealand	50-21	Sydney
2003	New Zealand	21-17	Auckland
2003	Australia	22-10	Sydney*
2004	New Zealand	16-7	Wellington
2004	Australia	23-18	Sydney
2005	New Zealand	30-13	Sydney
2005	New Zealand	34-24	Auckland
2006	New Zealand	32-12	Christchurch
2006	New Zealand	13-9	Brisbane
2006	New Zealand	34-27	Auckland
2007	Australia	20-15	Melbourne
2007	New Zealand	26-12	Auckland
2008	Australia	34-19	Sydney
2008	New Zealand	39-10	Auckland
2008	New Zealand	28-24	Brisbane
2008	New Zealand	19-14	Hong Kong
2009	New Zealand	22-16	Auckland
2009	New Zealand	19-18	Sydney
2009	New Zealand	33-6	Wellington
2009	New Zealand	32-19	Tokyo
2010	New Zealand	49-28	Melbourne
2010	New Zealand	20-10	Christchurch
2010	New Zealand	23-22	Sydney
2010	Australia	26-24	Hong Kong

At All Venues: Australia 46 wins, New Zealand 113 wins, 5 draws

(these figures include 24 games where NSW represented Australia 1920-28)

In Australia: Australia 27 wins, New Zealand 57 wins, 4 draws

In New Zealand: Australia 17 wins, New Zealand 54 wins, 1 draw

At Neutral Venues: Australia 2 wins, New Zealand 2 wins

Biggest Australian winning margin at all venues: 21 (28-7 at Sydney, 1999)

Heaviest Australian defeat by margin at all venues: 37 (6-43 at Wellington, 1996)

Biggest Australian winning score at all venues: 34 (34-19), Sydney, 2008

Most points conceded by Australia at all venues: 50 (21-50), Sydney, 2003

Most points scored by Australia at all venues: 35 (35-39) at Sydney, 2000

**Most tries scored by Australia at all venues:** 5 (30-16)

Auckland, 1978, & (35-39) Sydney, 2000

Most tries conceded by Australia at all venues: 9

(13-38), Dunedin, 1936





#### **Individual Player Statistics**

Most appearances by an Australian player against New Zealand: 29 by David Campese, 1982-96

Most points in a Test by an Australian player against New Zealand: 24 by Matthew Burke, Melbourne, 1998

Most points in a Test by a New Zealand player against Australia: 29 by Andrew Mehrtens, Auckland, 1999

Most tries in a Test by an Australian player against New Zealand: 4 by Greg Cornelsen; Auckland, 1978

Most tries in a Test by a New Zealand player against Australia: 3 by five players including current winger Joe Rokocoko (2003)

Most tries in a Test career by an Australian player against New Zealand: 8 by David Campese, 1982-96

### Leading Australian Test point-scorers against New Zealand

176	Matthew Burke
135	Matt Giteau
133	Michael Lynagh
84	Stirling Mortlock

### Leading New Zealand Test point-scorers against Australia

245	Daniel Carter
202	Andrew Mehrtens
150	Grant Fox

### Leading Australian Test try-scorers against New Zealand

8	David Campese
7	Matthew Burke
6	Adam Ashley-Cooper
5	Tim Horan
5	Drew Mitchell
5	Stirling Mortlock
5	Lote Tuqiri

### Leading New Zealand Test try-scorers against Australia

8	Christian Cullen
8	Ian Kirkpatrick
8	Doug Howlett
8	Richard McCaw
7	John Kirwan
6	Frank Bunce
6	Jonah Lomu
6	Joe Rokocoko

### Most Test Appearances by Australians against New Zealand

29	David Campese
27	George Gregan
24	Nathan Sharpe
24	George Smith
23	Tim Horan
22	Stephen Larkham
22	Phil Kearns

#### **General Bledisloe Cup Trivia:**

The man in charge: In 2007, Graham Henry attended his second Rugby World Cup, taking the All Blacks to the quarter-finals, after he had fallen at the same hurdle with Wales in 1999. Henry ended his seventh season as All Black coach having won 78 and lost 13 from 91 Tests at the helm of the team. The extended stint with the All Blacks follows a career which has seen Henry head up Auckland for six seasons, the (Auckland) Blues in Super rugby for three, Wales between 1998 and 2002, as well as the 2001 British & Irish Lions in Australia.





The First All Blacks: The first ever Test match played by the All Blacks was not played in New Zealand, but in Sydney, where the visitors beat Australia 22-3. The Test was played in 1903: 33 years after the first recorded game of rugby had been played in New Zealand, on 14 May, 1870. The Sydney Test of 1903 pre-dated the 'Originals' All Black tour of the United Kingdom and France which occurred two years later. Australia's first win over the All Blacks was also achieved in Sydney, by a scoreline of 11-0, eight years after the maiden trans-Tasman Test, in 1911.

**Did You Know?:** Rugby has been played in New Zealand since 1870, with the first match being played between Nelson College and the Nelson Football Club at the top of the South Island on 14 May. The first representative game was held later that year between teams from Nelson and Wellington.

**New Zealand's Provincial Pride:** The quality of the New Zealand provincial game, which currently has a two-tiered national competition featuring 26 provincial representative teams, has long been considered the core strength of the All Black game. The first provincial unions – Wellington and Canterbury – date back to 1879 (13 years before the formation of the New Zealand Rugby Union), while the first overseas team was received in 1882 when New South Wales toured.

One of a kind: Wallaby coach Robbie Deans has already carved for himself a unique niche in Bledisloe Cup history. The first foreigner to guide the Wallabies presided over Australia's highest winning score against New Zealand – 34 points at Sydney in 2008 – five years after he had been co-coach of an All Black side that had inflicted the highest concession of points – 50 – on Australia! Deans played fullback in a New Zealand side which retained the Bledisloe Cup with a 2-1 series win in Australia in 1984. He then helped the All Blacks regain the trophy for the first time in five seasons, in 2003, as assistant coach of the side which won that year's series 2-0.

Did you know?: The twin defeats of Bloemfontein and Durban in 2009 represented the first time in the then 76-Test career of All Black skipper Richie McCaw that he had experienced back-to-back losses in matches. McCaw, who became the All Blacks' most experienced Test skipper when he led the side for the 52<sup>nd</sup> time during the one-point win over Australia in Sydney last year, has won a record 19 of the 23 Tests that he has played against the Wallabies. He also shares the record, with three other players, for the most tries by an All Black against Australia, having crossed the Wallabies goal-line on eight occasions. McCaw, who debuted as a 21-year-old against Ireland at the tail end of 2001, ended his 10th year in the national team as the most capped All Black of all-time, surpassing the 92 Tests played by former skipper Sean Fitzpatrick on last year's tour of Hong Kong, the United Kingdom and Ireland. He and fullback and current vice-captain Malili Muliaina ended 2010 with 94 Test caps alongside their names.

**Drought Breaker:** The try that was scored by Queensland winger Peter Hynes in the 35<sup>th</sup> minute of the 2009 Bledisloe Cup Test in Tokyo ended a period of 271 minutes, going back to the third minute of that year's opening Bledisloe Cup Test at Eden Park, where the Wallabies had been held try-less by the All Blacks.

The Third Centurion: 2009 was a big year for Matt Giteau. He won the John Eales Medal, went beyond a century of points against South Africa, and also became just the third Wallaby to clock the ton against the All Blacks. Giteau ended 2010 as the second highest Wallaby point-scorer against the All Blacks, with 135 scored from 21 Tests against New Zealand. His 20 conversions are the most kicked by any player against the All Blacks.

The Carter Meter: By the time he had finished with Australia, Andrew Mehrtens had established new point-scoring marks in most of the Test categories, but his successor Daniel Carter is rapidly erasing his provincial colleague's name from all of the record books. The 20 points Carter collected in Japan in 2009





took his career tally against Australia to 205, making him the second All Black to surpass a double century of points against the Wallabies, while also eclipsing Andrew Mehrtens' previous record mark of 202 points against Australia. The last of the six penalty goals that he kicked on the night was his 48th in Test matches against Australia, which beat the 47 set by Mehrtens. Carter ended 2010 with 245 points to his name against the Wallabies. Such has been the dominance of Carter and of Richard McCaw when they have played against Australia; the All Blacks have won 14 of the 16 games against the Wallabies when they have had both of those players on the field.

Terminated!: Last October's thrilling 26-24 win by the Wallabies in Hong Kong brought to an end the record 10-game winning sequence by the All Blacks in trans-Tasman matches, which dated back to the second game of the 2008 Tri Nations. The run beat the previous record, which was the nine wins that were gathered by the All Blacks on either side of WWII between 1936 and 1947. The Hong Kong match was just the second, in that 12-match run, to not be officiated by a South African, with Ireland's Alain Rolland the man in the middle. As well as breaking their own losing run, the win also allowed the Wallabies to deny their Kiwi rivals a crack at the world record for the most consecutive wins. The defeat ended the All Blacks winning run against all-comers at 15, two short of the record for full IRB member nations which is jointly held by the 1965-69 New Zealand and 1997-98 South African teams.

Paying the Penalty?: The All Blacks might have become the first team to go through the expanded Tri Nations unbeaten last year, as they collected New Zealand's 10<sup>th</sup> tournament title, but the fact that they enjoyed a charmed life with officialdom during that run is undeniable. Not only did the All Blacks not win a single penalty count during any of their Tri Nations matches, or the fourth Bledisloe Cup Test in Hong Kong; New Zealand also sustained just two yellow cards throughout their 10 domestic Tests. Opposing sides received six yellow cards and two red from the same matches.

Fortress Eden Park: If Australia is to win either the Bledisloe Cup or the Rugby World Cup this year, the Wallabies must find a way to conquer Eden Park. The ground has become such a bastion for the All Blacks that they have won their last 21 matches at Eden Park, while being unbeaten in 22, with the run starting in an 18-18 draw with South Africa 17 years ago. The last visiting side to prevail over New Zealand in Auckland was France, 23-20, earlier in 1994. Australia has lost on its last 11 visits, most recently two years ago. The Wallabies haven't beaten the All Blacks at Eden Park since 1986, when an Andrew Slack-led side won 22-9 to claim the Bledisloe Cup after a 2-1 series win. There have been 23 contests between the two teams in the city since the first game in 1925, with New Zealand winning 19 of those and Australia four. Australia's wins were achieved in 1949 (16-9), 1955 (8-3), 1978 (30-16) and 1986 (22-9).

### New Zealand Unbeaten Sequence at Eden Park: 1994-2011

1994: New Zealand 18, South Africa 18
1995: New Zealand 73, Canada 7
1995: New Zealand 28, Australia 16
1996: New Zealand 36, Scotland 12
1997: New Zealand 55, South Africa 35
1998: New Zealand 40, England 10
1999: New Zealand 34, Australia 15
2000: New Zealand 48, Scotland 14
2001: New Zealand 26, South Africa 15
2002: New Zealand 40, Ireland 8
2003: New Zealand 21, Australia 17
2004: New Zealand 36, England 12

2005: New Zealand 38, British & Irish Lions 19

2005: New Zealand 34, Australia 24 2006: New Zealand 27, Ireland 17 2006: New Zealand 34, Australia 27 2007: New Zealand 42, France 11 2007: New Zealand 26, Australia 12 2008: New Zealand 37, England 20 2008: New Zealand 39, Australia 10 2009: New Zealand 22, Australia 16 2010: New Zealand 32, South Africa 12



#### **Background**

An annual Tri-Nations competition was one consequence of the agreement reached between News Limited and the Australian, New Zealand and South African Rugby Unions (SANZAR) to form a partnership in 1995.

The competition kicked off on July 6 1996 in New Zealand when the All Blacks hosted the Wallabies in wintry conditions at Wellington's now defunct Athletic Park.

New Zealand won the inaugural match, setting a winning margin that remains a record in Tri-Nations fixtures between the trans-Tasman rivals.

New Zealand and Australia provided another record three years later when a world record 107,042 people gathered at Stadium Australia in Sydney to watch the two nations battle in the Tri-Nations.

The total has since been topped just once, at the same venue involving the same teams 12 months later, when 109,878 people witnessed one of the most exciting games of rugby ever played.

Despite its relatively short history, the Tri-Nations has already provided its fair share of historical moments, including record victories for New Zealand over Australia, Australia against New Zealand, New Zealand against South Africa and South Africa against Australia.

A number of individual milestones have also been set.

New Zealand has dominated the Tri-Nations thus far, with 10 successes (1996, 1997, 1999, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 & 2010) in the tournament.

2009 was South Africa's third success in the tournament, with that success adding to the earlier titles secured in 1998 and 2004. Australia has won the Tri-Nations twice with the Wallabies going back-to-back in 2000 & 2001.

Such is the closeness of the rivalry; on only five occasions have the tournament winning teams finished the competition unbeaten.

Last year, when New Zealand completed the first unbeaten season since the format expanded to three full rounds in 2006, represented the first time a team had achieved an unbeaten competition 2003, when a New Zealand side coached by John Mitchell and Robbie Deans made the clean sweep.

In 2004 South Africa won the closest tournament to date, by virtue of the number of bonus points it secured, after all three teams won their home matches in the competition.

For its first decade, the Tri-Nations was conducted over six matches, with each country playing the other home and away. The championship was then extended, following an update of the SANZAR agreement with News Limited in 2005, being expanded to nine matches - three home, three away – from 2006.

In 2007 as it will this year, the competition reverted to its original format to cater for the impact on the playing schedules of the Rugby World Cup tournament.

Year	Winner
1996	New Zealand
1997	New Zealand
1998	South Africa
1999	New Zealand
2000	Australia
2001	Australia
2002	New Zealand
2003	New Zealand

Year	Winner
2004	South Africa
2005	New Zealand
2006	New Zealand
2007	New Zealand
2008	New Zealand
2009	South Africa
2010	New Zealand



#### **Tri-Nations Historical Notes**

- The first ever Tri-Nations match was refereed by Ed Morrison. It was the first of five appointments in the competition for the now retired Englishman. Ireland's Alain Rolland has refereed more Tri Nations matches than anyone else, with the two matches he controlled last year taking his career tally to nine. South Africa's Jonathan Kaplan is second; having controlled seven Australia-New Zealand matches in the Tri Nations.
- New Zealand won its first eight Tri-Nations matches prior to losing to Australia in the opening game of 1998. That remains the biggest winning streak in the history of the competition. The All Blacks head into this year's competition riding their second longest winning run, being currently unbeaten in seven dating back to the last game of the 2009 tournament.
- Two weeks after conceding its highest ever score in an international match when New Zealand scored 55 points in Auckland, South Africa raised the highest score to date in Tri-Nations against Australia at Pretoria. The Springboks' 61 points were not enough to save coach Carel du Plessis' employment; however, although they did ensure that Australian coach, the late Greg Smith, also found himself out of a job.
- All Blacks fullback Christian Cullen and wingers Joe Rokocoko and Doug Howlett, South African winger Bryan Habana and Wallabies flyhalf Matt Giteau, are the only players to have been multiple try-scorers in more than one Tri-Nations match. Remarkably, Cullen scored two tries on five separate occasions.
- The MCG in Melbourne attracted a crowd of 90,119 when it debuted as an international rugby venue for the Test between Australia and New Zealand in 1997. The venue was used for the same game the following year when a crowd of 75,127 was in attendance, and in 2007 when 79,322 turned up. Subiaco Oval in Perth is another 'non rugby' venue to have hosted Tri-Nations matches in Australia, being the venue for six Wallaby-Springbok matches.
- Andrew Mehrtens kicked a world record equalling nine penalty goals when New Zealand beat Australia at Auckland in 1999. His feats were nearly matched

- in 2009 by South Africa's Morné Steyn, who kicked eight penalty goals during his team's defeat of New Zealand at Durban, and backed that up with seven a week later during South Africa's win over Australia. The 15 penalty goals Steyn kicked during the course of that week saw him eclipse the previous South African record for penalty kicks in a single Tri Nations season, which was previously the 13 recorded by the current Wallaby kicking advisor Braam van Straaten in 2001.
- While he is just seventh in all-time Tri Nations point-scoring heading into the 2011 tournament, Morné Steyn surely must take the kudos as the most accurate goal-kicker the competition has ever seen. Steyn starts the year having raised the flags with his last 29 shots at goal in the competition. He didn't miss with a single attempt during the 2010 tournament.
- The least number of tries conceded in a Tri Nations campaign is three by Australia in 1999 and South Africa in 2001. Interestingly neither side won the championship that year.
- The most tries conceded in a single season of Tri Nations is 22; conceded by South Africa last year. This beat the previous record of 18, which was also let in by South Africa, in 1997.
- The 2010 tournament saw a record 52 tries posted from the nine matches, beating the tournament's previous high water mark of 48, which was established from six matches in 1997.
- Only two matches have failed to produce a try and they both involved New Zealand v South Africa at Cape Town (12-3) in 2001 and v Australia at Christchurch (12-6) a year later. The All Blacks won both games.
- Home advantage has proved considerable in matches between Australia and South Africa since the Tri-Nations began. South Africa's three wins in Australia have all been both posted at Perth in 1998, 2005 and 2009. The first was a one-pointer, 14-13. Australia's first win on South African soil was also by a point, 19-18 at Durban in 2000. Australia's second success in South Africa was also



achieved in Durban, 27-15 three years ago, while last year's two-point win at Bloemfontein brought up win number three.

- The 41-39 win achieved by the Wallabies in Bloemfontein in 2010 represented the team's first success on the South African high veldt from 13 matches across 47 years.
- In claiming that success, Robbie Deans became the first Australian coach to have won two Test matches on South African soil in the professional era.
- Australia twice won matches against Tri Nations rivals with after the final siren goals in 2011. Kurtley Beale supplied the penalty which beat South Africa at Bloemfontein, while James O'Connor scored and converted to win the non Tri-Nations Bledisloe Cup Test against New Zealand in Hong Kong, 26-24.
- New Zealand has come from behind to win eight matches against South Africa after trailing at halftime, and seven against Australia.
- Australia's success in the 2000 championship owed much to the iron nerve of the side. In successive matches, the Wallabies kicked penalty goals in the last minute of games to beat New Zealand at Wellington and South Africa at Durban.
- The All Blacks have lost just six of the 34 Tri Nation's matches played to date in New Zealand. Australia has won three of those, at Christchurch in 1998, Wellington in 2000 and Dunedin in 2001, while South Africa's wins came at Wellington in 1998 and Dunedin and Hamilton in 2009 and 2010.
- New Zealand has won 20 of its 34 away matches in Tri-Nations. Of the defeats on foreign grounds, seven have been in Australia (Melbourne 1998 & 2007, Sydney 1999, 2001, 2002, 2004 & 2008).
- Australia has led New Zealand at halftime on seven occasions in Tri-Nations Tests in 1996, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009 Auckland & Sydney, 2010), only to lose the game. This also occurred in the non-Tri-Nations fixtures at Hong Kong and Tokyo in 2008 and 2009. On three occasions (2004, 2005 & 2007), Australia has led South Africa at halftime but lost.
- On just four occasions has Australia trailed at halftime in a Tri-Nations Test and come back to win. These were all achieved on Australian soil: against

New Zealand in 2002 and 2007, and South Africa in 2004 and 2007. Australia also came from behind at the break to win the non-Tri Nations Bledisloe Cup Test against New Zealand at Hong Kong last year.

• Only two players in the history of the game have scored in excess of 150 Test points against two countries. They are both All Blacks – Andrew Mehrtens and Daniel Carter. Mehrtens scored 202 points against Australia, 156 of which were scored in Tri-Nations matches, and 209 against South Africa, 172 of which came in Tri-Nations games. Mehrtens has scored the most points of anyone against South Africa but was recently over-taken by Carter in relation to Australia. Carter has scored 221 against South Africa (all in Tri-Nations games), and 245 against Australia – 205 of which have been totalled in Tri-Nations play.

#### Home & Away Tri-Nations Records 1996-2010

	Home		Away		
	Won	Lost	Won	Lost	
Australia (vNZ)	7	10	3	14	
(vSA)	14	3	3	14	
Total	21	13	6	28	
New Zealand	28	6	20	14	
South Africa	21	13	6	28	



#### TRI NATIONS RECORDS 1996-2010

#### **New Zealand**

#### **TEAM**

For

**Most Points in a Game:** 55 – v South Africa, Auckland,

**Biggest Winning Margin:** 37 – v Australia, Wellington,

**Most Tries in a Game:** 7 – v South Africa, Auckland, 1997; v South Africa, Pretoria, 2003; v Australia, Sydney, 2003; v Australia, Melbourne, 2010

#### **Against**

**Most Points conceded in a Game:** 46 - v South Africa, Johannesburg, 2000

**Biggest Losing Margin:** 21 - v Australia, Sydney, 1999 Most Tries: 6 - v South Africa, Johannesburg, 2000 **Most Conversions:** 5 - v South Africa, Auckland, 1997, Johannesburg, 2000

Most Penalty Goals: 8 – v South Africa, Durban, 2009

#### **INDIVIDUAL**

#### **Most Points**

**In a game:** 29 – Andrew Mehrtens v Australia, 1999

In a season: 99 – Daniel Carter, 2006 Career: 426 – Daniel Carter, 2003-10

#### **Most Tries**

In a game: 3 - Joe Rokocoko v Australia, 2003, Doug

Howlett v Aust, 2005

In a season: 7 - Christian Cullen, 2000 Career: 16 - Christian Cullen, 1996-02

#### **Most Conversions**

In a game: 4 - Andrew Mehrtens (2000), Carlos Spencer

(1997, 2003), Daniel Carter (2010) In a season: 14 – Daniel Carter, 2006 Career: 54 – Daniel Carter, 2003-10

#### **Most Penalty goals**

In a game: 9 - Andrew Mehrtens v Australia, 1999

In a season: 21 – Daniel Carter, 2006 Career: 94 - Daniel Carter, 2003-10

#### **Most Dropped Goals**

In a game: 1 - Andrew Mehrtens & Jeff Wilson In a season: 2 - Andrew Mehrtens, 2000 Career: 3 - Andrew Mehrtens, 1996-04

#### **Against**

#### **GAME**

Most Points: 31 – Morné Steyn (South Africa), Durban,

**Most Tries:** 3 – Marius Joubert (South Africa) Johannesburg 2004.

#### CARFFR

**Most Points:** 158 - Matthew Burke, 1996-04 **Most Tries:** 6 - Matthew Burke, 1996-04



#### **Australia**

#### **TEAM**

For

**Most Points in a Game:** 49 – v South Africa, Brisbane,

**Biggest Winning Margin:** 49 – v South Africa, Brisbane,

**Most Tries in a Game:** 6 – v South Africa, Brisbane, 2006

#### **Agains**t

**Most Points conceded in a Game:** 61 - v South Africa, Pretoria, 1997

**Biggest Losing Margin:** 45 - v South Africa, Johannesburg, 2008

**Most Tries:** 8 – v South Africa, Pretoria, 1997, Johannesburg, 2008

**Most Conversions:** 6 - v South Africa, Pretoria, 1997 **Most Penalty Goals:** 9 - v New Zealand, Auckland, 1999

#### **INDIVIDUAL**

#### **Most Points**

**In a Game:** 24 – Matthew Burke v New Zealand,

Melbourne, 1998

In a Season: 72 – Matt Giteau, 2009 Career: 271 – Matthew Burke, 1996-04

#### **Most Tries**

In a Game: 2 – (on nine occasions): Ben Tune v South Africa, Brisbane, 1997; Stephen Larkham v New Zealand, Dunedin, 1997; Matthew Burke v New Zealand, Melbourne, 1998; Joe Roff v South Africa, Brisbane, 1999; Stirling Mortlock v New Zealand, Sydney, 2000; Chris Latham v South Africa, Brisbane, 2002; Lote Tuqiri v New Zealand, Auckland, 2006; Matt Giteau v South Africa, Brisbane, 2006; James O'Connor v South Africa, Pretoria, 2010

In a Season: 4 - Stirling Mortlock, 2000; James

O'Connor, 2010

**Career:** 8 – Joe Roff, 1996-03

#### **Most Conversions**

In a Game: 5 - Stirling Mortlock, v South Africa,

Brisbane, 2006

In a Season: 12 – Stirling Mortlock, 2006

**Career:** 37 – Matt Giteau, 2003-10

#### **Most Penalty Goals**

**In a Game:** 7 – Matthew Burke v New Zealand, Sydney,

1999

In a Season: 15 – Matthew Burke, 2001 Career: 65 – Matthew Burke, 1996-04

#### **Most Dropped Goals**

In a Game: 1 – (on 8 occasions): George Gregan v South Africa, Johannesburg, 2002, Matthew Burke v South Africa, Cape Town, 2003, Matt Giteau v New Zealand, Auckland, 2007; Berrick Barnes v South Africa, Perth, 2008; Matt Giteau v New Zealand, Sydney, 2008; Berrick Barnes v South Africa, Cape Town, 2009; Matt Giteau v South Africa, Brisbane, 2009; Berrick Barnes v New Zealand, Wellington, 2009.

In a Season: 2 – Berrick Barnes, 2009 Career: 3 – Matt Giteau, 2003-10

#### **Against**

#### Game

Most Points: 29 – Andrew Mehrtens (New Zealand),

Auckland, 1999

Most Tries: 4 - longe Nokwe (

**Most Tries:** 4 – Jonge Nokwe (South Africa), Johannesburg, 2008

#### Career

**Most Points:** 205 – Daniel Carter, 2003-10 **Most Tries:** 8 – Doug Howlett, 2000-07



#### **South Africa**

#### **TEAM**

For

**Most Points in a Game:** 61 – v Australia, Pretoria, 1997 **Biggest Winning Margin:** 45 – v Australia,

Johannesburg, 2008

Most Tries in a Game: 8 – v Australia, Pretoria, 1997,

Johannesburg, 2008

**Against** 

**Most Points conceded in a Game:** 55 – v New Zealand,

Auckland, 1997

**Biggest Losing Margin:** 49 - v Australia, Brisbane,

2006

Most Tries: 7 – v New Zealand, Auckland, 1997

Most Conversions: 5 - v Australia, Brisbane, 2006; v

Australia, Bloemfontein, 2010

Most Penalty Goals: 7 - v New Zealand, Pretoria, 1999

**INDIVIDUAL** 

**Most Points** 

In a Game: 31 – Morné Steyn, v New Zealand, Durban,

2009

In a Season: 91 – Morné Steyn, 2009 Career: 210 – Percy Montgomery, 1997-08

**Most Tries** 

**In a Game:** 4 – Jonge Nokwe v Australia, Johannesburg,

2008.

In a Season: 4 – Jonge Nokwe, 2008 Career: 10 – Jaque Fourie, 2004-2010

**Most Conversions** 

In a Game: 6 - Jannie de Beer v Australia, Pretoria,

1997

In a Season: 12 – Jannie de Beer, 1997 Career: 26 - Percy Montgomery, 1997-2008

#### **Most Penalty Goals**

In a Game: 8 – Morné Steyn, v New Zealand, Durban,

2009

In a Season: 23 – Morné Steyn, 2009 Career: 43 - Percy Montgomery, 1997-2008

#### **Most Dropped Goals**

**In a Game:** 2 – Jannie de Beer v New Zealand, Johannesburg, 1997; Francois Steyn, Cape Town, 2007

**In a Season:** 3 – Morné Steyn, 2009

Career: 4 - Percy Montgomery, 1997-2008; Andre

Pretorius, 2002-07

**Against** 

Game

**Most Points:** 25 – Carlos Spencer (New Zealand), Auckland, 1997; Daniel Carter, Wellington, 2006

Most Tries: 2 – (on 14 occasions): Frank Bunce (New Zealand), Johannesburg, 1997; Christian Cullen (New Zealand), Auckland, 1997; Pretoria 1999; Christchurch, 2000; Johannesburg, 2000; Ben Tune (Australia), Brisbane, 1997; Joe Roff (Australia) Brisbane, 1999; Tana Umaga (New Zealand) Johannesburg, 2000; Chris Latham (Australia) Brisbane, 2002; Doug Howlett (New Zealand), Pretoria, 2003; Joe Rokocoko (New Zealand), Pretoria, 2003; Matt Giteau, Brisbane, 2006; Matt Giteau (Australia), Perth, 2009; James O'Connor (Australia), Pretoria, 2010

Career

**Most Points:** 221 – Daniel Carter, 2003-10 **Most Tries:** 9 – Christian Cullen, 1996-02



#### Tri Nations Points-scoring 1996-10

#### **Most Points**

	Tries	Con	Pen	DG	Points
Daniel Carter (NZ)	6	54	94	2	426
Andrew Mehrtens (NZ)	1	34	82	3	338
Matthew Burke (Aus)	7	19	65	1	271
Matt Giteau (Aus)	7	37	46	3	256
Percy Montgomery (SA)	4	26	43	3	210
Stirling Mortlock (Aus)	9	21	37	0	198
Morné Steyn (SA)	1	14	42	3	168
Carlos Spencer (NZ)	3	21	32	0	153
Braam van Straaten (SA)	-	5	28	0	94
Christian Cullen (NZ)	16	-	-	-	80
Joe Rokocoko (NZ)	14	-	-	-	70
Jannie de Beer (SA)	2	13	9	2	69
Doug Howlett (NZ)	13	-	-	-	65

#### **Most Tries**

Christian Cullen (NZ)	16
Joe Rokocoko (NZ)	14
Doug Howlett (NZ)	13
Jaque Fourie (SA)	10
Richard McCaw (NZ)	10
Justin Marshall (NZ)	9
Stirling Mortlock (Aus)	9
Lote Tuqiri (Aus)	9
Bryan Habana (SA)	8
Malili Muliaina (NZ)	8
Joe Roff (Aus)	8
Matthew Burke (Aus)	7
Jean de Villiers (SA)	7
Matt Giteau (Aus)	7
Chris Latham (Aus)	7
Breyton Paulse (SA)	7
Tony Woodcock (NZ)	7
Daniel Carter (NZ)	6
Marius Joubert (SA)	6
Stephen Larkham (Aus)	6
Drew Mitchell (Aus)	6
Ma'a Nonu (NZ)	6

Ben Tune (Aus)	6
James O'Connor (Aus)	5
Mat Rogers (Aus)	5
Jeff Wilson (NZ)	5
Frank Bunce (NZ)	4
George Gregan (Aus)	4
Jonah Lomu (NZ)	4
Keven Mealamu (NZ)	4
Jonge Nokwe (SA)	4
Bob Skinstad (SA)	4
Conrad Smith (NZ)	4
Tana Umaga (NZ)	4
Joost vd Westhuizen (SA)	4

#### Tri Nations Referees 1996-10

#### **Most Appointments**

Alain Rolland (Ireland)	9
Jonathan Kaplan (SA)	7
Peter Marshall (Australia)	5
Ed Morrison (England)	5
Paddy O'Brien (NZ)	5
Chris White (England)	5
Paul Honiss (NZ)	4
Craig Joubert (SA)	4
Wayne Barnes (Eng)	3
Derek Bevan (Wales)	3
Andrew Cole (Australia)	3
Stuart Dickinson (Aus)	3
Jim Fleming (Scotland)	3
Colin Hawke (NZ)	3
Joel Jutge (France)	3
Bryce Lawrence (NZ)	3
David McHugh (Ireland)	3
Tony Spreadbury (Eng)	3
Steve Walsh (NZ)	3
Matt Goddard (Australia)	2
Marius Jonker (SA)	2
Steve Lander (England)	2
Mark Lawrence (SA)	2
Alan Lewis (Ireland)	2
Nigel Owens (Wales)	3
Andre Watson (SA)	2
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Others (who have done one game): Ray Megson (Scotland), Brian Sterling (Ireland), Joel Dume (France), Clayton Thomas (Wales), Scott Young (Australia), Tappe Henning (South Africa), Nigel Williams (Wales), Donal Courtney (Ireland), Lyndon Bray (New Zealand), George Clancy (Ireland).

#### Tri Nations in Detail 1996-2010

#### 1996

#### Match 1

New Zealand 43, Australia 6 At Wellington, July 6

For New Zealand: Tries by Michael Jones, Christian Cullen, Justin Marshall, Zinzan Brooke, Jeff Wilson and Jonah Lomu; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

For Australia: 2 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

Halftime: New Zealand 25, Australia 6

Referee: Ed Morrison (England)

#### Match 2

Australia 21, South Africa 16 At Sydney, July 13

**For Australia:** Tries by Joe Roff and Tim Horan; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

**For South Africa:** Try by Pieter Hendricks; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Henry Honiball, penalty goal by Andre Joubert.

Halftime:

Referee: Tony Spreadbury (England)

#### Match 3

New Zealand 15, South Africa 11 At Christchurch, July 20

**For New Zealand:** 5 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens. **For South Africa:** Try by Andre Joubert; 2 penalty goals by Joel Stransky.

Halftime: South Africa 8, New Zealand 6

Referee: Ray Megson (Scotland)

#### Match 4

New Zealand 32, Australia 25 At Brisbane, July 27

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Justin Marshall and Frank Bunce; 2 conversions and 6 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**For Australia:** Tries by George Gregan and Matthew Burke; 5 penalty goals by Burke.

**Halftime:** Australia 16, New Zealand 9 **Referee:** Jim Fleming (Scotland)

#### Match 5

South Africa 25, Australia 19 At Bloemfontein, August 3

**For South Africa:** Try, conversion and 6 penalty goals by Joel Stransky.

**For Australia:** Try by Ben Tune; conversion and 3 penalty goals by John Eales, penalty goal by Matthew Burke.

**Halftime:** South Africa 16, Australia 3 Referee: Brian Sterling (Ireland)



#### Match 6

New Zealand 29, South Africa 18 At Cape Town, August 10

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Glen Osborne and Craig Dowd; 2 conversions and 5 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Japie Mulder and Os du Randt; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Joel Stransky.

Halftime: South Africa 15, New Zealand 6

Referee: David McHugh (Ireland)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
New Zealand	4	-	119	60	1	17
South Africa	1	3	70	84	2	6
Australia	1	3	71	116	2	6

#### 1997

#### Match 1

New Zealand 35, South Africa 32 At Johannesburg, July 19

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Frank Bunce (2), Jeff Wilson and Carlos Spencer; 3 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Spencer.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Naka Drotske and Russell Bennett; 2 conversions, 4 penalty goals and 2 dropped goals by Jannie de Beer.

Halftime: South Africa 23, New Zealand 19

Referee: Peter Marshall (Australia)

#### Match 2

New Zealand 33, Australia 18 At Melbourne, July 26 **For New Zealand:** Tries by Frank Bunce, Jeff Wilson and Christian Cullen; 3 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Carlos Spencer.

**For Australia:** Tries by George Gregan and Jason Little; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 23, Australia 6 **Referee:** Ed Morrison (England)

#### Match 3

Australia 32, South Africa 20 At Brisbane, August 2

**For Australia:** Tries by Ben Tune (2), Stephen Larkham and Daniel Manu; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by David Knox.

For South Africa: Tries by Os du Randt, Mark Andrews and Jannie de Beer; conversion and a penalty goal by de Beer.

**Halftime:** Australia 26, South Africa 10 Referee: Colin Hawke (New Zealand)

#### Match 4

New Zealand 55, South Africa 35 At Auckland, August 9

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Christian Cullen (2), Alama leremia, Carlos Spencer, Justin Marshall, Taine Randell and Tana Umaga; 4 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Spencer.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Ruben Kruger, Gary Teichmann, Percy Montgomery, Joost van der Westhuizen and Pieter Rossouw; 3 conversions by Jannie de Beer, 2 conversions by Henry Honiball.

Halftime: South Africa 23, New Zealand 21

Referee: Derek Bevan (Wales)



#### Match 5

New Zealand 36, Australia 24 At Dunedin, August 16

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Taine Randell, Christian Cullen and Justin Marshall; 3 conversions and 5 penalty goals by Carlos Spencer.

**For Australia:** Tries by Stephen Larkham (2), Joe Roff and Ben Tune; 2 conversions by David Knox.

Halftime: New Zealand 36, Australia o

Referee: Joel Dume (France)

#### Match 6

South Africa 61, Australia 22 At Pretoria, August 23

**For South Africa:** Tries by Percy Montgomery (2), Johan Erasmus, Warren Brosnihan, Mark Andrews, James Dalton, Pieter Rossouw and Jannie de Beer; 6 conversions and 3 penalty goals by de Beer.

**For Australia:** Tries by Jason Little, Joe Roff and David Knox; 2 conversions and a penalty goal by Knox.

**Halftime:** South Africa 20, Australia 15 Referee: Paddy O'Brien (New Zealand)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
New Zealand	4	-	159	109	2	18
South Africa	1	3	148	144	3	7
Australia	1	3	96	150	2	6

#### 1998

#### Match 1

Australia 24, New Zealand 16 At Melbourne, July 11

**For Australia:** 2 tries, conversion and 4 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Josh Kronfeld and Ian Jones; penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens and Carlos Spencer.

**Halftime:** Australia 15, New Zealand 13 Referee: Clayton Thomas (Wales)

#### Match 2

South Africa 14, Australia 13 At Perth, July 18

**For South Africa:** Try by Joost van der Westhuizen; 3 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery.

**For Australia:** Tries by Ben Tune and George Gregan; penalty goal by Matthew Burke.

Referee: Colin Hawke (New Zealand)

#### Match 3

South Africa 13, New Zealand 3 At Wellington, July 25

**For South Africa:** Try by Pieter Rossouw; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery.

For New Zealand: Penalty goal by Andrew Mehrtens.

Halftime: South Africa 3, New Zealand o

Referee: Ed Morrison (England)



#### Match 4

Australia 27, New Zealand 23 At Christchurch, August 1

**For Australia:** Tries by Matthew Burke, Jason Little, Stephen Larkham and Tom Bowman; 2 conversions by John Eales, penalty goal by Burke.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Christian Cullen and Jonah Lomu; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

Halftime: Australia 10, New Zealand 3

Referee: Derek Bevan (Wales)

#### Match 5

South Africa 24, New Zealand 23 At Durban, August 15

**For South Africa:** Tries by Stefan Terblanche, Joost van der Westhuizen, Bob Skinstad and James Dalton; penalty goal by Percy Montgomery.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Justin Marshall and Taine Randell; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 17, South Africa 5 **Referee:** Peter Marshall (Australia)

#### Match 6

South Africa 29, Australia 15 At Johannesburg, August 22

**For South Africa:** Tries by Adrian Garvey and Bob Skinstad; 2 conversions and 5 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery.

For Australia: 5 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

Halftime: South Africa 16, Australia 12

**Referee:** Jim Fleming (Scotland)

Final Points Table

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
South Africa	4	-	80	54	1	17
Australia	2	2	79	82	2	10
New Zealand	-	4	65	88	2	2

#### 1999

#### Match 1

New Zealand 28, South Africa o At Dunedin, July 10

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Christian Cullen, Jeff Wilson and Justin Marshall; conversions by Tony Brown and Andrew Mehrtens, 3 penalty goals by Mehrtens.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 6, South Africa o Referee: Peter Marshall (Australia)

#### Match 2

Australia 32, South Africa 6 At Brisbane, July 17

**For Australia:** Tries by Joe Roff (2), Tim Horan and Matthew Burke; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Burke.

**For South Africa:** 2 penalty goals by Braam van Straaten.

**Halftime:** Australia 20, South Africa 6 **Referee:** Paddy O'Brien (New Zealand)



#### Match 3

New Zealand 34, Australia 15 At Auckland, July 24

**For New Zealand:** Try by Justin Marshall; conversion and 9 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**For Australia:** Tries by George Gregan and Daniel Herbert; conversion and a penalty goal by Matthew Burke.

Halftime: New Zealand 22, Australia 3

**Referee:** Derek Bevan (Wales)

#### Match 4

New Zealand 34, South Africa 18 At Pretoria, August 7

**For New Zealand:** 2 tries by Christian Cullen; 7 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens, dropped goal by Jeff Wilson.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Andre Snyman and Joost van der Westhuizen; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Gaffie du Toit.

Halftime: New Zealand 20, South Africa 11

**Referee:** Ed Morrison (England)

#### Match 5

South Africa 10, Australia 9 At Cape Town, August 14

For South Africa: Try by Robbie Fleck; conversion and a

penalty goal by Jannie de Beer.

For Australia: 3 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

**Halftime:** South Africa 3, Australia 3 **Referee:** Colin Hawke (New Zealand)

#### Match 6

Australia 28, New Zealand 7 At Sydney, August 28

**For Australia:** Try by Mark Connors; conversion and 7 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

For New Zealand: Try and conversion by Andrew

Mehrtens.

**Halftime:** Australia 22, New Zealand 7 **Referee:** Jim Fleming (Scotland)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
New Zealand	3	1	103	61	-	12
Australia	2	2	84	57	2	10
South Africa	1	3	34	103	-	4

#### 2000

#### Match 1

New Zealand 39, Australia 35 At Sydney, July 15

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Tana Umaga, Christian Cullen, Pita Alatini, Justin Marshall and Jonah Lomu; 4 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**For Australia:** Tries by Stirling Mortlock (2), Chris Latham, Joe Roff and Jeremy Paul; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Mortlock.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 24, Australia 24 Referee: Andre Watson (South Africa)



#### Match 2

New Zealand 25, South Africa 12 At Christchurch, July 22

**For New Zealand:** 2 tries by Christian Cullen; 3 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Andrew Mehrtens, penalty goal by Tony Brown.

**For South Africa:** 3 penalty goals by Braam van Straaten, dropped goal by Percy Montgomery.

Halftime: New Zealand 19, South Africa 12

Referee: Chris White (England)

#### Match 3

Australia 26, South Africa 6 At Sydney, July 29

**For Australia:** Tries by Stirling Mortlock and Jeremy Paul; 2 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Mortlock.

**For South Africa:** 2 penalty goals by Braam van Straaten.

**Halftime:** Australia 19, South Africa 6 **Referee:** Ed Morrison (England)

#### Match 4

Australia 24, New Zealand 23 At Wellington, August 5

**For Australia:** Tries by Stirling Mortlock and Joe Roff; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Mortlock. Penalty goal by John Eales.

**For New Zealand:** 2 tries by Christian Cullen; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 20, Australia 18 Referee: Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

#### Match 5

South Africa 46, New Zealand 40 At Johannesburg, August 19

**For South Africa:** Tries by Robbie Fleck (2), Werner Swanepoel (2), Thinus Delport and Chester Williams; 5 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Braam van Straaten.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Christian Cullen (2) and Tana Umaga (2); 4 conversions, 3 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Andrew Mehrtens.

Halftime: South Africa 33, New Zealand 27

Referee: Andrew Cole (Australia)

#### Match 6

Australia 19, South Africa 18 At Durban, August 26

**For Australia:** Try by Chris Latham; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock.

**For South Africa:** 6 penalty goals by Braam van Straaten.

**Halftime:** Australia 13, South Africa 6 **Referee:** Paul Honiss (New Zealand)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
Australia	3	1	104	86	2	14
New Zealand	2	2	127	117	3	11
South Africa	1	3	82	110	2	6



#### 2001

#### Match 1

New Zealand 12, South Africa 3 At Cape Town, July 21

For New Zealand: 4 penalty goals by Tony Brown.

For South Africa: Penalty goal by Percy Montgomery.

Halftime: New Zealand 12, South Africa 3

Referee: Scott Young (Australia)

#### Match 2

South Africa 20, Australia 15 At Pretoria, July 28

**For South Africa:** Try by Bob Skinstad; 5 penalty goals by Braam van Straaten.

**For Australia:** Penalty goals by Matthew Burke (4) and Manuel Edmonds.

**Halftime:** South Africa 14, Australia o **Referee:** David McHugh (Ireland)

#### Match 3

Australia 23, New Zealand 15 At Dunedin, August 11

**For Australia:** Try by Matthew Burke and a penalty try; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Burke.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Jonah Lomu and Jeff Wilson; conversion by Andrew Mehrtens, penalty goal by Tony Brown.

**Halftime:** Australia 10, New Zealand 5 **Referee:** Steve Lander (England)

#### Match 4

Australia 14, South Africa 14 At Perth, August 18

**For Australia:** Try by Nathan Grey; 3 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

**For South Africa:** Try by Mark Andrews; 3 penalty goals by Braam van Straaten.

**Halftime:** South Africa 8, Australia 3 **Referee:** Steve Walsh (New Zealand)

#### Match 5

New Zealand 26, South Africa 15 At Auckland, August 25

**For New Zealand:** Try by Pita Alatini and a penalty try; 2 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**For South Africa:** 5 penalty goals by Braam van Straaten.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 13, South Africa 9 **Referee:** Peter Marshall (Australia)

#### Match 6

**Australia 29,** New Zealand 26 At Sydney, September 1

**For Australia:** Tries by Chris Latham and Toutai Kefu; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Matthew Burke. Conversion by Elton Flatley. Penalty goal by Andrew Walker.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Doug Howlett and Pita Alatini; 2 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**Halftime:** Australia 19, New Zealand 6 **Referee:** Tappe Henning (South Africa)



#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	Drew	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
Australia	2	1	1	81	75	1	11
New Zealand	2	2	-	79	70	1	9
South Africa	1	2	1	52	67	-	6

#### 2002

#### Match 1

New Zealand 12, Australia 6 At Christchurch, July 13

For New Zealand: 4 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

For Australia: 2 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 6, Australia 3 **Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

#### Match 2

New Zealand 41, South Africa 20 At Wellington, July 20

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Doug Howlett, Justin Marshall, Scott Robertson, Mark Hammett and Reuben Thorne; 2 conversions, 3 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Andrew Mehrtens.

For South Africa: Tries by Werner Greef and Marius Joubert; 2 conversions and a penalty goal by Andre Pretorius, Dropped goal by Greef

**Halftime:** New Zealand 21, South Africa 13 **Referee:** Stuart Dickinson (Australia)

#### Match 3

Australia 38, South Africa 27 At Brisbane, July 27 **For Australia:** Tries by Chris Latham (2), Ben Tune and Stirling Mortlock; 3 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Matthew Burke. Penalty goal by Mortlock.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Marius Joubert (2), Bob Skinstad and Brent Russell; 2 conversions and a penalty goal by Andre Pretorius.

**Halftime:** Australia 27, South Africa 10 **Referee:** Steve Lander (England)

#### Match 4

Australia 16, New Zealand 14 At Sydney, August 3

**For Australia:** Tries by Nathan Sharpe and Mat Rogers; 2 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

**For New Zealand:** Try by Richard McCaw; 3 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**Halftime:** Australia 8, New Zealand 3 **Referee:** Andre Watson (South Africa)

#### Match 5

New Zealand 30, South Africa 23 At Durban, August 10

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Leon MacDonald, Doug Howlett, Aaron Mauger and a penalty try; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Neil de Kock and Andre Pretorius; 2 conversions, 2 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Pretorius.

**Halftime:** South Africa 17, New Zealand 17

Referee: David McHugh (Ireland, replaced by Chris

White, England)



#### Match 6

South Africa 33, Australia 31 At Johannesburg, August 17

**For South Africa:** Tries by Breyton Paulse (2), Brent Russell, Joe van Niekerk and Werner Greef; 4 conversions by Greef.

**For Australia:** Tries by Mat Rogers, Toutai Kefu and Brendan Cannon; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Matthew Burke, dropped goal by George Gregan.

**Halftime:** South Africa 14, Australia 9 **Referee:** Paddy O'Brien (New Zealand)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
New Zealand	3	1	97	65	2	15
Australia	2	2	91	86	3	11
South Africa	1	3	103	140	3	7

#### 2003

#### Match 1

South Africa 26, Australia 22 At Cape Town, July 12

**For South Africa:** Tries by Victor Matfield and Brent Russell; 2 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Louis Koen.

**For Australia:** Tries by Wendell Sailor, Joe Roff and Phil Waugh; 2 conversions and a dropped goal by Matthew Burke.

**Referee:** Steve Walsh (New Zealand) **Halftime:** South Africa 20, Australia 10

#### Match 2

New Zealand 52, South Africa 16 At Pretoria, July 19

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Doug Howlett (2), Joe Rokocoko (2), Carlos Spencer, Aaron Mauger and Kees Meeuws; 4 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Spencer.

**For South Africa:** Try by Ashwin Willemse; conversion, 2 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Louis Koen.

Halftime: New Zealand 22, South Africa 9

Referee: Alain Rolland (Ireland)

#### Match 3

New Zealand 50, Australia 21 At Sydney, July 26

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Joe Rokocoko (3), Doug Howlett, Tana Umaga, Daniel Carter and Aaron Mauger; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Carlos Spencer, conversion by Carter.

**For Australia:** Tries by Matt Burke, Wendell Sailor and Mat Rogers; 2 penalty goals by Burke.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 23, Australia 11 Referee: Tony Spreadbury (England)

#### Match 4

Australia 29, South Africa 9 At Brisbane, August 2

**For Australia:** Tries by Mat Rogers and Phil Waugh; 2 conversions and 5 penalty goals by Elton Flatley.

For South Africa: 3 penalty goals by Louis Koen.

**Halftime:** Australia 6, South Africa 6

Referee: Paddy O'Brien (NZ)



#### Match 5

New Zealand 19, South Africa 11 At Dunedin, August 9

**For New Zealand:** Try by Joe Rokocoko; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Carlos Spencer.

**For South Africa:** Try by Richard Bands; 2 penalty goals by Louis Koen.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 13, South Africa 11 **Referee:** Peter Marshall (Australia)

#### Match 6

New Zealand 21, Australia 17 At Auckland, August 16

**For New Zealand:** 2 tries by Doug Howlett; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Carlos Spencer.

**For Australia:** Try by George Smith; 4 penalty goals by Elton Flatley.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 15, Australia 9 **Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
New Zealand	4	-	142	65	2	18
Australia	1	3	89	106	2	6
South Africa	1	3	62	122	-	4

#### 2004

#### Match 1

New Zealand 16, Australia 7 At Westpac Stadium, Wellington, July 17

**For New Zealand:** Try by Doug Howlett; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For Australia:** Try by Stirling Mortlock; conversion by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 3, Australia o **Referee:** Alain Rolland (Ireland)

#### Match 2

New Zealand 23, South Africa 21 At Jade Stadium, Christchurch, July 24

**For New Zealand:** Try by Doug Howlett; 5 penalty goals by Daniel Carter, penalty goal by Carlos Spencer.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jean de Villiers, Jacque Cronje and Fourie du Preez; 3 conversions by Percy Montgomery.

Halftime: South Africa 21, New Zealand 12

Referee: Andrew Cole (Australia)

#### Match 3

Australia 30, South Africa 26 At Subiaco Oval, Perth, July 31

**For Australia:** Tries by Clyde Rathbone, Lote Tuqiri, Stephen Larkham and Chris Latham; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau, conversion by Matthew Burke.



**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaco van der Westhuyzen, Jean de Villiers and Gaffie du Toit; 3 conversions and a penalty goal by Percy Montgomery.

Halftime: South Africa 16, Australia 15

Referee: Chris White (England)

Match 4

Australia 23, New Zealand 18 At Telstra Stadium, Sydney, August 7

For Australia: Try by Lote Tuqiri; 4 penalty goals by Matt

Giteau, 2 penalty goals by Matthew Burke.

**For New Zealand:** 4 penalty goals by Daniel Carter, penalty goals by Carlos Spencer and Andrew Mehrtens.

**Halftime:** Australia 12, New Zealand 12 **Referee:** Ionathan Kaplan (South Africa)

Match 5

South Africa 40, New Zealand 26 At Ellis Park, Johannesburg, August 14

**For South Africa:** Tries by Marius Joubert (3), Breyton Paulse and Jean de Villiers; 3 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Malili Muliaina and Joe Rokocoko; 2 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Andrew Mehrtens.

Halftime: South Africa 19, New Zealand 13

Referee: Nigel Williams (Wales, replaced by Donal

Courtney, Ireland)

Match 6

South Africa 23, Australia 19 At Absa Stadium, Durban, August 21 **For South Africa:** Tries by Victor Matfield and Joe van Niekerk; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery.

**For Australia:** Tries by Lote Tuqiri, Stirling Mortlock and George Smith; 2 conversions by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 7, South Africa 3 **Referee:** Paddy O'Brien (New Zealand)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
South Africa	2	2	110	98	3	11
Australia	2	2	79	83	2	10
New Zealand	2	2	83	91	1	9

#### 2005

#### Match 1

South Africa 22, Australia 16 At Securicor Loftus Versfeld, Pretoria, July 30

**For South Africa:** Try by Breyton Paulse; conversion, dropped goal and 3 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery, dropped goal by Andre Pretorius.

**For Australia:** Try by George Smith; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 13, South Africa 6 **Referee:** Paul Honiss (New Zealand)



#### Match 2

South Africa 22, New Zealand 16 At Investec Park, Newlands, Cape Town, August 6

**For South Africa:** Try by Jean de Villiers; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery, dropped goal by Andre Pretorius.

**For New Zealand:** Try by Rico Gear; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

Halftime: South Africa 16, New Zealand 13

Referee: Andrew Cole (Australia)

#### Match 3

New Zealand 30, Australia 13 At Telstra Stadium, Sydney, August 13

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Piri Weepu, Richard McCaw and Joe Rokocoko; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Daniel Carter, conversion by Luke McAlister.

**For Australia:** Try by Drew Mitchell; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 13, New Zealand 10 **Referee:** Tony Spreadbury (England)

#### Match 4

South Africa 22, Australia 19 At Subiaco Oval, Perth, August 20

**For South Africa:** 2 Tries by Bryan Habana; 3 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Percy Montgomery.

**For Australia:** Try by Clyde Rathbone; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Mat Rogers, penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** South Africa 14, Australia 6 **Referee:** Alain Rolland (Ireland)

#### Match 5

New Zealand 31, South Africa 27 At Carisbrook Stadium, Dunedin, August 27, 2005

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Joe Rokocoko (2), Leon MacDonald and Keven Mealamu; 3 conversions and a penalty goal by MacDonald, conversion by Luke McAlister.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Bryan Habana, Enrico Januarie and Jaque Fourie; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery.

Halftime: New Zealand 21, South Africa 17

**Referee:** Joel Jutge (France)

#### Match 6

New Zealand 34, Australia 24 At Eden Park, Auckland, September 3

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Doug Howlett (3) and Richard McCaw; conversion and a penalty goal by Leon MacDonald, 3 penalty goals by Luke McAlister.

**For Australia:** Tries by Mark Chisolm, Mark Gerrard, Lote Tuqiri and Lloyd Johansson; 2 conversions by Mat Rogers.

Halftime: New Zealand 20, Australia 5

**Referee:** Chris White (England)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
New Zealand	3	1	111	86	3	15
South Africa	3	1	93	82	-	12
Australia	-	4	72	108	3	3



#### 2006

#### Match 1

New Zealand 32, Australia 12 At Jade Stadium, Christchurch, July 8

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Keven Mealamu (2), Richard McCaw and Isaia Toeava; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For Australia:** Tries by Lote Tuqiri and Scott Fava; conversion by Stirling Mortlock.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 14, Australia 7 **Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

#### Match 2

Australia 49, South Africa o At Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, July 15

**For Australia:** Tries by Matt Giteau (2), Jeremy Paul, Greg Holmes, Chris Latham and Mark Chisholm; 5 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock, dropped goal by Stephen Larkham.

**Halftime:** Australia 30, South Africa o **Referee:** Paul Honiss (New Zealand)

#### Match 3

New Zealand 35, South Africa 17 At Westpac Stadium, Wellington, July 22

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Piri Weepu and Richard McCaw; 2 conversions and 7 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Fourie du Preez and Breyton Paulse; 2 conversions and a penalty goal by Percy Montgomery.

Halftime: New Zealand 19, South Africa 7

**Referee:** Joel Jutge (France)

#### Match 4

New Zealand 13, Australia 9 At Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, July 29

**For New Zealand:** Try by Joe Rokocoko; conversion, penalty goal and a dropped goal by Daniel Carter.

For Australia: 3 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 10, Australia 6 **Referee:** Alain Rolland (Ireland)

#### Match 5

Australia 20, South Africa 18 At Stadium Australia, Sydney, August 5

**For Australia:** Tries by Mat Rogers and Mark Gerrard; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaque Fourie and Percy Montgomery; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Butch lames.

**Halftime:** Australia 10, South Africa o

**Referee:** Joel Jutge (France)

#### Match 6

New Zealand 34, Australia 27 At Eden Park, Auckland, August 19

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Jason Eaton, Chris Jack and Luke McAlister; 2 conversions and 5 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For Australia:** Tries by Lote Tuqiri (2) and Rocky Elsom; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock.

**Halftime:** Australia 20, New Zealand 11

**Referee:** Chris White (England)



#### Match 7

New Zealand 45, South Africa 26 At Loftus Versfeld, Pretoria, August 26

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Neemia Tialata, Luke McAlister, Sitiveni Sivivatu, Malili Muliaina and Rico Gear; 4 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaque Fourie (2) and Fourie du Preez; conversion by Andre Pretorius, penalty goals by Percy Montgomery (2) and Butch James.

Halftime: New Zealand 16, South Africa 11

Referee: Alan Lewis (Ireland)

#### Match 8

South Africa 21, New Zealand 20 At Royal Bafokeng Stadium, Rustenburg, September 2

**For South Africa:** Tries by Bryan Habana and Pedrie Wannenburg; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Andre Pretorius.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Daniel Carter and Joe Rokocoko; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Carter.

Halftime: South Africa 13, New Zealand 13

Referee: Chris White (England)

#### Match 9

South Africa 24, Australia 16 At Ellis Park, Johannesburg, September 9

**For South Africa:** Tries by Fourie du Preez and Breyton Paulse; conversion, 3 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Andre Pretorius.

For Australia: Try by Stephen Larkham; conversion and

3 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock.

**Halftime:** South Africa 3, Australia 3 **Referee:** Steve Walsh (New Zealand)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
New Zealand	5	1	179	112	3	23
Australia	2	4	133	121	3	11
South Africa	2	4	106	185	1	9

#### 2007

#### Match 1

South Africa 22, Australia 19 At Newlands, Cape Town, June 16

**For South Africa:** Try by Jaque Fourie; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery, 2 dropped goals by Francois Steyn.

**For Australia:** Try by Matt Giteau; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock.

**Halftime:** Australia 16, South Africa 10 **Referee:** Wayne Barnes (England)

#### Match 2

New Zealand 26, South Africa 21 At The Absa Stadium, Durban, June 23

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Richard McCaw and Joe Rokocoko; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Daniel Carter, dropped goal by Aaron Mauger.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Schalk Burger and Butch James; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery, dropped goal by Ruan Pienaar.

Halftime: South Africa 11, New Zealand 6

Referee: Alain Rolland (Ireland)



#### Match 3

Australia 20, New Zealand 15 At the MCG, Melbourne, June 30

**For Australia:** Tries by Adam Ashley-Cooper and Scott Staniforth; 2 conversions by Matt Giteau, 2 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Tony Woodcock and Rico Gear; conversion and a penalty goal by Daniel Carter.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 15, Australia 6 **Referee:** Marius Jonker (South Africa)

#### Match 4

Australia 25, South Africa 17 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, July 7

**For Australia:** Tries by Mark Gerrard, Stephen Hoiles and Matt Giteau; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Wickus van Heerden and Breyton Paulse; 2 conversions and a penalty goal by Derrick Hougaard.

**Halftime:** South Africa 17, Australia 10 **Referee:** Paul Honiss (New Zealand)

#### Match 5

New Zealand 33, South Africa 6 At Jade Stadium, Christchurch, July 14

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Brendan Leonard, Nick Evans and Daniel Carter; 3 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Carter.

For South Africa: 2 penalty goals by Derrick Hougaard.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 6, South Africa 3 **Referee:** Stuart Dickinson (Australia)

#### Match 6

New Zealand 26, Australia 12 At Eden Park, Auckland, July 21

For New Zealand: Try by Tony Woodcock; 7 penalty

goals by Daniel Carter.

For Australia: 3 penalty goals by Stirling Mortlock,

dropped goal by Matt Giteau.

Halftime: New Zealand 12, Australia 9

**Referee:** Nigel Owen (Wales)

#### **Final Points Table**

	Won	Lost	For	Against	Bonus	Pts
New Zealand	3	1	100	59	1	13
Australia	2	2	77	79	1	9
South Africa	1	3	65	103	1	5

#### 2008

#### Match 1

New Zealand 19, South Africa 8 At Westpac Stadium, Wellington, July 5

For New Zealand: Try by Jerome Kaino; conversion and

4 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

For South Africa: Try by Bryan Habana; penalty goal by

Butch James.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 9, South Africa 8 **Referee:** Stuart Dickinson (Australia)



#### Match 2

South Africa 30, New Zealand 28 At Carisbrook Stadium, Dunedin, July 12

**For South Africa:** Tries by JP Pietersen and Enrico Januarie; conversion by Francois Steyn, penalty goals by Butch James (2) and Percy Montgomery (3), dropped goal by James.

**For New Zealand:** Try by Sione Lauaki; conversion, 6 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Daniel Carter.

Halftime: South Africa 17, New Zealand 15

Referee: Matt Goddard (Australia)

#### Match 3

Australia 16, South Africa 9 At Subiaco Oval, Perth, 19 July 2008

**For Australia:** Tries by Lote Tuqiri and Stirling Mortlock; penalty goal by Matt Giteau, dropped goal by Berrick Barnes.

**For South Africa:** Penalty goals by Francois Steyn (2) and Butch lames.

**Halftime:** Australia 5, South Africa 3 **Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand)

#### Match 4

Australia 34, New Zealand 19 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, July 26

**For Australia:** Tries by Ryan Cross, Peter Hynes, Rocky Elsom and James Horwill; 4 conversions, a penalty goal and a dropped goal by Matt Giteau.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Malili Muliaina, Andrew Hore and Andrew Ellis; 2 conversions by Daniel Carter.

**Halftime:** Australia 17, New Zealand 12 **Referee:** Craig Joubert (South Africa)

#### Match 5

New Zealand 39, Australia 10 At Eden Park, Auckland, August 2

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Tony Woodcock (2) and Ma'a Nonu (2); 2 conversions and 5 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For Australia:** Try by Adam Ashley-Cooper; conversion and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 21, Australia 10 **Referee:** Mark Lawrence (South Africa)

#### Match 6

New Zealand 19, South Africa o At Newlands, Cape Town, August 15

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Conrad Smith, Daniel Carter and Keven Mealamu; 2 conversions by Carter.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 5, South Africa o **Referee:** Matt Goddard (Australia)

#### Match 7

Australia 27, South Africa 15 At The ABSA Stadium, Durban, August 23

**For Australia:** Tries by Benn Robinson, Lote Tuqiri and Stirling Mortlock; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For South Africa:** 2 tries by Adrian Jacobs; conversion by Percy Montgomery, penalty goal by Butch James.

**Halftime:** Australia 10, South Africa o **Referee:** Lyndon Bray (New Zealand)



#### Match 8

South Africa 53, Australia 8 At Coca Cola Park, Johannesburg, August 30

For South Africa: Tries by Jonge Nokwe (4), Andries Bekker, Adrian Jacobs, Akona Ndungane and Ruan Pienaar; 3 conversions and a penalty goal by Butch James, 2 conversions by Percy Montgomery.

**For Australia:** Try by Drew Mitchell; penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** South Africa 27, Australia 3 **Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand)

#### Match 9

New Zealand 28, Australia 24 At Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, September 13

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Malili Muliaina, Tony Woodcock, Piri Weepu and Daniel Carter; 4 conversions by Carter.

**For Australia:** Tries by Adam Ashley-Cooper, James Horwill and Ryan Cross; 3 conversions and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime**: Australia 10, New Zealand 7 **Referee**: Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

#### **Final Point's Table**

	Pl	Won	Lost	-7	4T	Points
New Zealand	6	4	2	1	2	19
Australia	6	3	3	1	1	14
South Africa	6	2	4	1	1	10

#### 2009

#### Match 1

New Zealand 22, Australia 16 At Eden Park, Auckland, 18 July, 2009

**For New Zealand:** Try by Richard McCaw; conversion and 5 penalty goals by Stephen Donald.

**For Australia:** Try by Berrick Barnes; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 13, New Zealand 10 **Referee:** Craig Joubert (South Africa)

#### Match 2

South Africa 28, New Zealand 19
At Vodacom Park, Bloemfontein, 25 July

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaque Fourie and Ruan Pienaar; penalty goals by Morné Steyn (3), Pienaar (2) and François Steyn (2).

**For New Zealand:** Try by Conrad Smith; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Stephen Donald.

**Halftime:** South Africa 14, New Zealand 3

Referee: Alain Rolland (Ireland)

#### Match 3

South Africa 31, New Zealand 19 At Absa Stadium, Durban, 1 August

**For South Africa:** Try, conversion and 8 penalty goals by Morné Steyn.

**For New Zealand:** Try by Isaac Ross; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Stephen Donald, penalty goal by Luke McAlister

Halftime: South Africa 22, New Zealand 13

Referee: Nigel Owens (Wales)



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#### Match 4

South Africa 29, Australia 17 At Newlands Stadium, Cape Town, 8 August, 2009

**For South Africa:** Try by Victor Matfield; 7 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Morné Steyn.

**For Australia:** Tries by Adam Ashley-Cooper and Matt Giteau; 2 conversions by Giteau, dropped goal by Berrick Barnes.

Halftime: South Africa 23, Australia 10

Referee: Alain Rolland (Ireland)

#### Match 5

New Zealand 19, Australia 18 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, 22 August

**For New Zealand:** Try by Ma'a Nonu; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

For Australia: 6 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 12, New Zealand 3 **Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

#### Match 6

South Africa 32, Australia 25 At Subiaco Oval, Perth, 29 August

**For South Africa:** Tries by Bryan Habana (2), Fourie du Preez and Jaque Fourie; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Morné Steyn.

For Australia: Tries by Matt Giteau (2) and Lachie Turner; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** South Africa 22, Australia 6 **Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand)

#### Match 7

Australia 21, South Africa 6 At Suncorp Stadium, Perth, 5 September

**For Australia:** Tries by Adam Ashley-Cooper and James O'Connor; conversion, 2 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Matt Giteau.

**For South Africa:** Penalty goal and a dropped goal by Morné Stevn.

**Halftime:** Australia 9, South Africa 6 **Referee:** Wayne Barnes (England)

#### Match 8

South Africa 32, New Zealand 29 At Waikato Stadium, Hamilton, 12 September

For South Africa: Tries by Jean de Villiers and Fourie du Preez; 2 conversions, 2 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Morné Steyn, 3 penalty goals by Francois Steyn. For New Zealand: Tries by Richard McCaw and Sitiveni Sivivatu; 2 conversions and 5 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

Halftime: South Africa 22, New Zealand 12

Referee: Nigel Owens (Wales)

#### Match 9

New Zealand 33, Australia 6 At Westpac Stadium, Wellington, 19 September

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Cory Jane, Ma'a Nonu and Joe Rokocoko; 3 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Daniel Carter

**For Australia:** Penalty goal by Matt Giteau, dropped goal by Berrick Barnes.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 13, Australia 6 **Referee:** Craig Joubert (South Africa)



### TRI-NATIONS HISTORY

#### Final Point's Table

	Pl	Won	Lost	-7	4T	Points
South Africa	6	5	1	-	1	21
New Zealand	6	3	3	1	-	13
Australia	6	1	5	3	-	7

#### 2010

#### Match 1

New Zealand 32, South Africa 12 At Eden Park, Auckland, 10 July

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu, Kieran Read and Tony Woodcock; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

For South Africa: 4 penalty goals by Morne Steyn.

Halftime: New Zealand 20, South Africa 3

**Referee:** Alan Lewis (Ireland)

#### Match 2

New Zealand 31, South Africa 17 At Westpac Stadium, Wellington, 17 July

For New Zealand: Tries by Ma'a Nonu, Malili Muliaina, Rene Ranger and Israel Dagg; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Daniel Carter, penalty goal by Piri Weepu. For South Africa: Tries by Schalk Burger and Danie Rossouw; 2 conversions and a penalty goal by Morne Steyn.

Halftime: New Zealand 13, South Africa 7

Referee: Alain Rolland (Ireland)

#### Match 3

Australia 30, South Africa 13 At Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, 24 July **For Australia:** Tries by Drew Mitchell and Will Genia; conversion and a penalty goal by James O'Connor, 5 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaque Fourie and Guthro Steenkamp; penalty goal by Morné Steyn.

**Halftime:** Australia 17, South Africa 3 Referee: George Clancy (Ireland)

#### Match 4

New Zealand 49, Australia 28 At Etihad Stadium, Melbourne, 31 July

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Malili Muliaina (2), Richard McCaw, Cory Jane, Joe Rokocoko, Corey Flynn and Daniel Carter; 4 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Carter.

**For Australia:** Tries by Drew Mitchell, Adam Ashley-Cooper and Rocky Elsom; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 32, Australia 14 Referee: Craig Joubert (South Africa)

#### Match 5

New Zealand 20, Australia 10 At AMI Stadium, Christchurch, 7 August

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Malili Muliaina and Conrad Smith; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For Australia:** Try by Kurtley Beale; conversion and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 17, Australia 10 **Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)



### TRI-NATIONS HISTORY

#### Match 6

New Zealand 29, South Africa 22 At FNB Stadium, Soweto, Johannesburg, 21 August

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Tony Woodcock, Israel Dagg and Richard McCaw; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For South Africa:** Try by Schalk Burger; conversion and 5 penalty goals by Morné Steyn.

Halftime: South Africa 16, New Zealand 14

Referee: Nigel Owens (Wales)

#### Match 7

South Africa 44, Australia 31 At Loftus Versfeld, Pretoria, 28 August

**For South Africa:** Tries by Juan Smith, Guthro Steenkamp, Pierre Spies, Francois Steyn and JP Pietersen; 4 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Morné Steyn, penalty goal by Francois Steyn, conversion by Butch James.

**For Australia:** Tries by James O'Connor (2), Will Genia and Dean Mumm; 4 conversions and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

Halftime: Australia 28, South Africa 24

Referee: Alain Rolland (Ireland)

#### Match 8

Australia 41, South Africa 39 At Vodacom Park, Bloemfontein, 4 September

**For Australia:** Tries by Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Rocky Elsom, Stephen Moore and Drew Mitchell; 4 conversions and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau, conversion by James O'Connor, penalty goal by Kurtley Beale.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaque Fourie, Gurthro Steenkamp and Jean de Villiers; 3 conversions and 6 penalty goals by Morné Steyn.

**Halftime:** Australia 31, South Africa 13 **Referee:** Wayne Barnes (England)

#### Match 9

New Zealand 23, Australia 22 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, 11 September

For New Zealand: Tries by Richard McCaw and Kieran Read; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Piri Weepu. For Australia: Tries by James O'Connor and Adam Ashley-Cooper; penalty goals by Matt Giteau (3) and Kurtley Beale.

**Halftime:** Australia 14, New Zealand 6 **Referee:** Mark Lawrence (South Africa)

#### Final Point's Table

	Pl	Won	Lost	-7	4T	Points
New Zealand	6	6	-	-	3	27
Australia	6	2	4	1	2	11
South Africa	6	1	5	2	1	7



#### 2008

### **Lansdowne Cup**

Australia 18, Ireland 12 At Telstra Dome, Melbourne, 14 June 2008

**For Australia:** Tries by Berrick Barnes and James Horwill; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For Ireland:** Tries by Denis Leamy and Brian O'Driscoll; conversion by Ronan O'Gara.

**Halftime:** Australia 15, Ireland 7 **Referee:** Christophe Berdos (France)

**Goal kicking:** Matt Giteau 3 from 4 (season: 3 from 4)

**Crowd:** 41,478

Australia: Cameron Shepherd, Peter Hynes, Stirling Mortlock (captain), Berrick Barnes, Lote Tuqiri, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Sam Cordingley, 77 min), Wycliff Palu (replaced by Phil Waugh, 73 min), George Smith, Rocky Elsom (replaced by Dean Mumm, 71 min), Nathan Sharpe (temporarily replaced by Dean Mumm, 46 min), James Horwill, Matt Dunning (replaced by Al Baxter, 58 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Adam Freier, 73 min), Benn Robinson.

Ireland: Robert Kearney, Shane Horgan (replaced by Geordan Murphy), Brian O'Driscoll (captain, replaced by Girvan Dempsey), Paddy Wallace, Tommy Bowe, Ronan O'Gara, Peter Stringer (replaced by Eoin Reddan), Jamie Heaslip, Shane Jennings (replaced by Stephen Ferris), Denis Leamy, Paul O'Connell, Donncha O'Callaghan, John Hayes, Rory Best (replaced by Jerry Flannery), Marcus Horan.

#### **Test Notes:**

- Luke Burgess, Peter Hynes and Dean Mumm all made their Test debuts – becoming Wallabies 821 (Burgess), 822 (Hynes) and 823 (Mumm) respectively.
- When he replaced Matt Dunning, NSW Waratahs prop Al Baxter earned his 52nd Test cap, advancing ahead of his former state coach Ewen McKenzie as the most capped Australian prop in Test history.
- This represented Australia's 19th success from 27
  Test matches played against Ireland reversing a
  6-21 defeat from the previous meeting, at Dublin
  in November 2006. Six Wallabies featured in both
  matches.
- It was also the Wallabies' ninth consecutive win against Ireland in home matches dating back to 1987, having lost the first three meetings on home soil in 1967, and twice in 1979.

### **Trophee des Bicentenaires**

#### **First Test**

Australia 34, France 13 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, June 28

**For Australia:** Tries by Matt Giteau, Nathan Sharpe, Rocky Elsom and Stirling Mortlock; 4 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Giteau.

**For France:** Try by Alexis Palisson; conversion by Francois Trinh-Duc, 2 penalty goals by Dimitri Yachvili.

**Halftime:** Australia 10, France 6 **Referee:** Marius Jonker (South Africa)

**Goal kicking:** Matt Giteau 6 from 7 (season: 9 from 11)

Crowd: 48,899



Australia: Cameron Shepherd, Peter Hynes, Stirling Mortlock (captain), Berrick Barnes (replaced by Ryan Cross, 58 min), Lote Tuqiri (replaced by Adam Ashley-Cooper, 31 min), Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Sam Cordingley, 70 min), Wycliff Palu (replaced by Phil Waugh, 40 min), George Smith (replaced by Dean Mumm, 65 min), Rocky Elsom, Nathan Sharpe, James Horwill, Al Baxter, Stephen Moore (replaced by Adam Freier, 70 min), Benn Robinson (replaced by Ben Alexander, 60 min).

France: Pepito Elhorga (replaced by David Janin), Alexis Palisson, Francois Trinh-Duc, Damien Traille, Benjamin Thiery (replaced by Benjamin Boyet), Benjamin Boyet (replaced by Thibault Lacroix), Dimitri Yachvili (replaced by Sebastien Tillous-Borde), Imanol Harinordoquy, Louis Picamoles (replaced by Matthieu Lievremont), Fulgence Ouedraogo, Sebastien Chabal, Lionel Nallet (captain), Benoit Lecouls, Sebastien Bruno, Lionel Faure.

#### **Test Notes:**

- Ryan Cross and Ben Alexander made their debuts off the bench, becoming Wallabies 824 and 825 respectively.
- This was the 11th Test between France and Australia in Sydney, and the Wallabies' seventh win as against a draw and three defeats.
- Australia's 21-point winning margin represented its largest in Tests against France on home soil, until eclipsed the following week in the second international.

#### **Second Test**

Australia 40, France 10 At Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, July 5

**For Australia:** Tries by Ryan Cross (2), Peter Hynes and James Horwill; 4 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For France:** Try by Francois Trinh-Duc; conversion by Dimitri Yachvili, penalty goal by Trinh-Duc.

**Halftime:** Australia 26, France 3 **Referee:** Paul Honiss (New Zealand) **Goal kicking:** Matt Giteau 8 from 8

(season: 17 from 19) Crowd: 40,218

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes, Stirling Mortlock (captain, replaced by Cameron Shepherd, 72 min), Berrick Barnes (replaced by Ryan Cross, 52 min), Lachie Turner, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Sam Cordingley, 73 min), Stephen Hoiles (replaced by George Smith, 50 min), Phil Waugh, Rocky Elsom, Dean Mumm, James Horwill (replaced by Hugh McMeniman, 38 min), Al Baxter, Stephen Moore (replaced by Adam Freier, 73 min), Benn Robinson (replaced by Ben Alexander, 60 min).

France: Benjamin Thierry, Alexis Palisson, Maxim Mermoz (replaced by Benjamin Boyet), Thibault Lacroix, David Janin, Francois Trinh-Duc, Sebastien Tillous-Borde (replaced by Dimitri Yachvili), Imanol Harinordoquy (temporarily replaced by Louis Picamoles), Fulgence Ouedraogo (replaced by Louis Picamoles), Matthieu Lievremont, Lionel Nallet (captain), Sebastien Chabal, Renaud Boyoud, Sebastien Bruno, Pierre Correia (replaced by Benoit Lecouls).

- Lachie Turner made his Test debut the sixth to debut for the Qantas Wallabies in three 2008 Tests, and the 826th Australian representative.
- Peter Hynes (5th minute) and Ryan Cross (57th minute) crossed for their maiden tries in Tests.
- Matt Giteau compiled 20 points after scoring
   the previous week in the first Test.



- When Giteau kicked his third penalty goal in the 28th minute, he became just the fifth Australian to move beyond 300 Test points. He finished the match with 306 to his name.
- In taking the field as a replacement in the 50th minute, George Smith earned his 86th Test cap, tying John Eales' tally as the most capped Australian Test forward, and joining Eales and Joe Roff as the fourth most capped Wallabies in history.
- This was the 38th meeting between Australia and France, with the Wallabies' victory being Australia's 20th, as aside 16 defeats and two draws.
- The win was Australia's 13th from 18 home matches. France has won four, while a further match was drawn.
- Australia's 30-point winning margin was a record in matches between the two nations at all venues, eclipsing the previous mark, which was established when the Wallabies won the 1999 Rugby World Cup final against France by a 23-point margin.
- The 40 points Australia scored represented the country's second highest tally in a match against France, surpassed only by the 48-31 win at Brisbane in 1990.

#### **Tri-Nations**

#### Tri-Nations #1 & Mandela Trophy

Australia 16, South Africa 9 At Subiaco Oval, Perth, 19 July 2008

**For Australia:** Tries by Lote Tuqiri and Stirling Mortlock; penalty goal by Matt Giteau, dropped goal by Berrick Barnes.

**For South Africa:** Penalty goals by Francois Steyn (2) and Butch James.

**Halftime:** Australia 5, South Africa 3 **Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand) **Goal kicking:** Matt Giteau 1 from 3

(season: 18 from 22) **Crowd:** 41,838

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes, Stirling Mortlock (captain, replaced by Ryan Cross, 49 min), Berrick Barnes, Lote Tuqiri, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Sam Cordingley, 72 min), Wycliff Palu (replaced by Drew Mitchell, 79 min), George Smith, Rocky Elsom (temporarily replaced by Hugh McMeniman 21-28 min, replaced by Phil Waugh, 78 min), Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Hugh McMeniman, 72 min), James Horwill, Al Baxter (replaced by Matt Dunning, 72 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polata-Nau, 72 min), Benn Robinson.

**South Africa:** Conrad Jantjies, JP Pietersen, Francois Steyn, Jean de Villiers, Bryan Habana (replaced by Ruan Pienaar), Butch James (replaced by Peter Grant), Enrico Januarie, Pierre Spies, Juan Smith, Schalk Burger (replaced by Ryan Kankowski), Bakkies Botha (replaced by Andries Bekker), Victor Matfield (captain), Guthro Steenkamp (replaced by Tendai Mtawarira), Schalk Brits (replaced by Adriaan Strauss), CJ van der Linde (replaced by Brian Mujati).

- In featuring in his 87th Test, George Smith became the fourth most capped Wallaby of all-time in his own right, going beyond John Eales and Joe Roff. He also established himself as the most capped Wallaby Test forward.
- Lote Tuqiri scored his 29th try in Test matches. This tied Matthew Burke as the fifth most prolific tryscorer in Wallaby Test history.
- This represented just Australia's second success from five Tests against South Africa in Perth.
- Australia's seven point winning margin represented the greatest gap between the two sides from the five Tests played in Western Australia.
- This was the 66th Test match between Australia and South Africa, and the Wallabies 25th win.



- Stirling Mortlock's 45th minute try was his sixth in Tests against South Africa. Only New Zealanders Christian Cullen (10) and Joe Rokocoko (9) have scored more.
- This represented Australia's 50th Tri-Nations Test since the annual series kicked off in 1996.

#### Tri-Nations #2 & Bledisloe Cup

Australia 34, New Zealand 19 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, July 26

**For Australia:** Tries by Ryan Cross, Peter Hynes, Rocky Elsom and James Horwill; 4 conversions, a penalty goal and a dropped goal by Matt Giteau.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Malili Muliaina, Andrew Hore and Andrew Ellis; 2 conversions by Daniel Carter.

**Halftime:** Australia 17, New Zealand 12 **Referee:** Craig Joubert (South Africa) Goal kicking: Matt Giteau 5 from 5

(season: 23 from 27) **Crowd:** 78,944

**Australia**: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes, Ryan Cross, Berrick Barnes, Lote Tuqiri, Matt Giteau (replaced by Timana Tahu, 77 min), Luke Burgess, Wycliff Palu, George Smith (captain), Rocky Elsom (replaced by Phil Waugh, 59min), Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Daniel Vickerman, 62 min), James Horwill, Al Baxter (replaced by Matt Dunning, 76 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polata-Nau, 59 min), Benn Robinson.

New Zealand: Malili Muliaina, Sitiveni Sivivatu, Richard Kahui, Ma'a Nonu (replaced by Conrad Smith), Anthony Tuitavake, Daniel Carter, Andrew Ellis (temporarily replaced by Jimmy Cowan), Jerome Kaino, Daniel Braid (replaced by Sione Lauaki), Rodney So'oialo (captain), Ali Williams, Brad Thorn, Greg Somerville (replaced by John Afoa), Andrew Hore (replaced by Keven Mealamu), Tony Woodcock.

- Timana Tahu became the 827th player to represent Australia in Test matches.
- This was the second highest score recorded by Australia in Test matches against New Zealand.
- George Smith led Australia for just the second time, having become the country's 75th Test captain when he led against Canada at the 2007 Rugby World Cup. Australia has won both matches under Smith's charge.
- This was the first Bledisloe Cup Test to be played in Sydney since 2005.
- The win was Australia's sixth in matches against New Zealand at the Olympic Stadium following on from wins in 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003 (Rugby World Cup semi-final) and 2004. The All Blacks won the matches played in 2000, 2003 (Tri-Nations) and 2005.
- Peter Hynes, Ryan Cross, Berrick Barnes, Timana Tahu, Luke Burgess, James Horwill, Benn Robinson and Tatafu Polota-Nau were all featuring in their maiden Tests against the All Blacks.
- Flyhalf Daniel Carter played his 50th Test for the All Blacks.
- This was the 49th Test between Australia and New Zealand to have been played in Sydney, and Australia's 18th win, alongside 29 defeats and two draws.
- It was also the 153rd Test between the two trans-Tasman rivals, and Australia's 45th win.
- Matt Giteau's 14-point haul moved him to 323 Test points, taking him beyond David Campese (315) as the fourth highest point-scorer in Australian Test history.
- The flyhalf's dropped goal was just the fifth recorded by Australia in 51 Tri-Nations Test matches, but the first instance of the Wallabies kicking field goals in consecutive tri-series matches. It was also Giteau's second consecutive dropped goal in Tests against the All Blacks.



- The bonus point Australia achieved for scoring four tries was just its fifth gained in that manner from Tri-Nations matches against New Zealand, while this was just the second occasion from those five games that the Wallabies had also won the match.
- The 34 points scored by Australia represented its highest winning score against New Zealand.

#### Tri-Nations #3 & Bledisloe Cup #2

New Zealand 39, Australia 10 At Eden Park, Auckland, August 2

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Tony Woodcock (2) and Ma'a Nonu (2); 2 conversions and 5 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For Australia:** Try by Adam Ashley-Cooper; conversion and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 21, Australia 10 **Referee:** Mark Lawrence (South Africa) **Goal kicking:** Matt Giteau 2 from 2

(season: 25 from 29) **Crowd: 46,600** 

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper (replaced by Drew Mitchell, 40 min), Peter Hynes, Stirling Mortlock (captain), Berrick Barnes (replaced by Ryan Cross, 74 min), Lote Tuqiri, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess, Wycliff Palu, George Smith (captain), Phil Waugh (replaced by Hugh McMeniman, 57 min), Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Daniel Vickerman, 52 min), James Horwill, Al Baxter, Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polata-Nau, 52 min), Benn Robinson.

**New Zealand:** Malili Muliaina, Sitiveni Sivivatu, Conrad Smith (replaced by Anthony Tuitavake), Ma'a Nonu, Richard Kahui (replaced by Stephen Donald), Daniel Carter, Jimmy Cowan (replaced by Piri Weepu), Rodney So'oialo, Richard McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino (replaced by Adam Thomson), Ali Williams, Brad Thorn (replaced by Anthony Boric), Greg Somerville (replaced by John Afoa), Andrew Hore (replaced by Keven Mealamu), Tony Woodcock.

#### **Test Notes:**

- This was New Zealand's 10th consecutive win over Australia at Eden Park, dating back to 1986, and its 18th win from 22 trans-Tasman Test matches in Auckland.
- The win also extended New Zealand's unbeaten run at the ground to 20 dating back to a loss against France in 1994.
- It was also Australia's eighth consecutive defeat in Tests on New Zealand soil, and its 15th consecutive away loss in Tri-Nations matches.
- Adam Ashley-Cooper posted a try in a Bledisloe Cup Test for a second consecutive year.
- Tony Woodcock became the first All Black prop to score two tries in a Test against Australia for 50 years, following on from Sir Wilson Whineray in 1958.
- The tries were the third and fourth of Woodcock's Test career, and they have all been scored against Australia.
- In playing his 89th Test, George Smith tied Frenchman Olivier Magne for the most caps gained by any loose forward in international rugby.

#### Tri-Nations #4 & Mandela Trophy #2

Australia 27, South Africa 15 At The ABSA Stadium, Durban, August 23

**For Australia:** Tries by Benn Robinson, Lote Tuqiri and Stirling Mortlock; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For South Africa:** 2 tries by Adrian Jacobs; conversion by Percy Montgomery, penalty goal by Butch James.

**Halftime:** Australia 10, South Africa o **Referee:** Lyndon Bray (New Zealand) **Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 5 from 6

(season 30 from 35) **Crowd: 48,123** 



Australia: Drew Mitchell, Peter Hynes (replaced by Timana Tahu, 58 min), Stirling Mortlock (captain), Berrick Barnes (replaced by Ryan Cross, 20 min), Lote Tuqiri, Matt Giteau, Sam Cordingley (replaced by Brett Sheehan, 55 min), Wycliff Palu (temporarily replaced by Phil Waugh 48-51 min, replaced by Waugh, 78 min), George Smith, Rocky Elsom, Daniel Vickerman (replaced by Dean Mumm, 38 min), James Horwill (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 80 min), Matt Dunning (replaced by Al Baxter, 55 min), Stephen Moore, Benn Robinson.

**South Africa:** Conrad Jantjies, Jonge Nokwe, Jean de Villiers, Adrian Jacobs, JP Pietersen (replaced by Percy Montgomery), Butch James (replaced by Francois Steyn, temporarily replaced by Pierre Spies), Fourie du Preez (replaced by Enricio Januarie), Pierre Spies (replaced by Joe van Niekerk), Juan Smith, Schalk Burger, Andries Bekker, Victor Matfield (captain), Tendai Mtawarira (replaced by Brian Mujati), Bismarck du Plessis (replaced by Adriaan Strauss), CJ van der Linde.

#### **Test Notes:**

- Australia's success secured for it the Mandela Trophy, with one game still to be played in the series.
- This was the 35th Test played between the two countries in South Africa and just Australia's eighth win, its first since 2000, and only its second in the country during the Tri-Nations era (1996-2008).
- Skipper Stirling Mortlock was the only surviving player on the field from Australia's most recent win in South Africa, at Durban eight years previously.
- The win snapped a sequence of 15 consecutive away defeats for Australia in Tri-Nations matches that dated back to season 2000, when it won back-to-back away matches in Wellington and Durban.
- In completing their third win of the competition, the class of '08 matched the feat of Australia's most successful Tri-Nations side in 2000 for the most wins in a single championship. These are the only two Australian teams to have won Tri-Nations matches in South Africa.

- George Smith appeared in his 90th Test, edging ahead of Frenchman Olivier Magne as the most capped loose forward in the history of the game.
- Benn Robinson scored his maiden Test try in his 13th appearance.
- Australia's other try-scorers skipper Stirling Mortlock and winger Lote Tuqiri – had also scored against South Africa in Perth a month earlier. Mortlock's try was his seventh from 16 Tests against the Springboks.
- In scoring his 30th Test try, Lote Tuqiri tied Joe Roff and Tim Horan as the third most prolific try-scorers in Australian Test history. Stirling Mortlock's try took him into fifth position on the same list with 28, one in arrears of Matthew Burke.
- This was the sixth Test between Australia and South Africa in Durban going back to 1933, with Australia's success tying the honours at 3-apiece.

#### Tri-Nations #5 & Mandela Trophy #3

South Africa 53, Australia 8 At Coca Cola Park, Johannesburg, August 30

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jonge Nokwe (4), Andries Bekker, Adrian Jacobs, Akona Ndungane and Ruan Pienaar; 3 conversions and a penalty goal by Butch James, 2 conversions by Percy Montgomery.

**For Australia:** Try by Drew Mitchell; penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** South Africa 27, Australia 3 **Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand) **Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 1 from 2

(season 31 from 37) **Crowd:** 54,291



Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes (replaced by Drew Mitchell, 50 min), Stirling Mortlock (captain), Timana Tahu (replaced by Ryan Cross, 50 min), Lote Tuqiri, Matt Giteau, Sam Cordingley (replaced by Brett Sheehan, 52 min), Wycliff Palu, Phil Waugh (replaced by George Smith, 47 min), Rocky Elsom, Hugh McMeniman (replaced by Dean Mumm, 68 min), James Horwill, Matt Dunning (replaced by Al Baxter, 31 min), Tatafu Polota-Nau (replaced by Stephen Moore, 48 min), Benn Robinson (replaced by Matt Dunning, 60 min).

**South Africa:** Conrad Jantjies, Jonge Nokwe (replaced by Percy Montgomery), Jean de Villiers, Adrian Jacobs (replaced by Luke Watson), Odwa Ndungane (temporarily replaced by Luke Watson), Butch James (replaced by Ruan Pienaar), Fourie du Preez (replaced by Enrico Januarie), Pierre Spies, Juan Smith, Schalk Burger, Andries Bekker (replaced by Danie Rossouw), Victor Matfield (captain), Tendai Mtawarira, Bismarck du Plessis (replaced by Adriaan Strauss), Brian Mujati (replaced by Jannie du Plessis).

#### **Test Notes:**

- The 45-point losing margin represented the biggest in Australian Test history.
- South Africa scored eight tries against Australia for the third time in Tests.
- This represented just the third occasion in history that Australia had conceded in excess of 50-points in a Test match. Ironically the most recent occasion, in 2003, had been against a New Zealand side that had present Qantas Wallabies coach Robbie Deans on its coaching staff.
- This was the 10th match between the two countries in Johannesburg, and South Africa's ninth win.
- Jonge Nokwe became the first player to score four tries in a Tri-Nations Test match, and just the fourth Springbok to achieve the feat in a single match following on from Stefan Terblanche, Chester Williams and Bryan Habana.
- Percy Montgomery appeared in his 102nd and last Test match, announcing his retirement from international rugby after the game.

- Victor Matfield became the most capped South African lock, featuring in his 72nd Test in the position for the Springboks.
- Odwa Ndungane and Andries Bekker posted their first Test tries.
- Defeat extended Australia's run of defeats in Johannesburg to 45 years, with the only win in the city having been achieved in 1963.
- Timana Tahu and Tatafu Polota-Nau both started a Test match for the first time.

#### Tri-Nations #6 & Bledisloe Cup #3

New Zealand 28, Australia 24 At Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, September 13

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Malili Muliaina, Tony Woodcock, Piri Weepu and Daniel Carter; 4 conversions by Carter.

**For Australia:** Tries by Adam Ashley-Cooper, James Horwill and Ryan Cross; 3 conversions and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 10, New Zealand 7 **Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

**Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 4 from 5 (season 35 from 42,

83%)

Crowd: 52,328

**Australia:** Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes, Ryan Cross, Stirling Mortlock (captain), Lote Tuqiri, Matt Giteau, Sam Cordingley, Wycliff Palu (replaced by Richard Brown, 34 min), George Smith, Rocky Elsom (replaced by Hugh McMeniman, 70 min), Nathan Sharpe, James Horwill, Al Baxter, Stephen Moore (replaced by Adam Freier, 72 min), Benn Robinson.



**New Zealand:** Malili Muliaina, Richard Kahui, Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu (replaced by Stephen Donald), Sitiveni Sivivatu, Daniel Carter, Jimmy Cowan (replaced by Piri Weepu), Rodney So'oialo, Richard McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino, Ali Williams, Brad Thorn (replaced by Anthony Boric), Greg Somerville (replaced by John Afoa), Andrew Hore (replaced by Keven Mealamu), Tony Woodcock.

#### **Test Notes:**

- The win enabled New Zealand to retain the Bledisloe Cup for the fifth consecutive season, since reclaiming it in 2003.
- The All Blacks also annexed the Tri-Nations trophy for the fourth consecutive year.
- Referee Jonathan Kaplan equaled New Zealander Paul Honiss for officiating in the most Test matches, controlling his 46th international.
- Queensland-raised Western Force loose forward Richard Brown became the eighth player to debut in 2008, and the 828th Wallaby.
- Stirling Mortlock led Australia for the 20th time in Test matches, surpassing the 19 games that excentre Andrew Slack (who presented the Australian players with their jerseys for this Test) captained the Wallabies. Only George Gregan (59), John Eales (56) and Nick Farr Jones (36) have led the team on more occasions.
- Australia's first try, which was posted by Adam Ashley-Cooper, was the 200th scored by the Wallabies in Test matches against New Zealand.
- All Black prop Tony Woodcock scored the fifth try of his Test career – all have been posted against Australia.
- Australian try-scorers Adam Ashley-Cooper and Ryan Cross had both also scored against New Zealand in Tests earlier in the year.
- Ryan Cross scored his third Test try from two appearances at Suncorp Stadium, having earlier contributed a double in the 40-10 win over France.
- This was New Zealand's 14th win from 18 trans-Tasman Test matches in Brisbane, having lost two and drawn two.

- Defeat snapped an 11-match unbeaten run by the Wallabies on Australian soil which dated back to 29 July 2006, when the side lost 9-13 to New Zealand in Brisbane.
- Australia also became the final team to both lose a match at home, and also to suffer consecutive competition defeats, in what had arguably been the most competitive Tri-Nations in the annual championship's 13-year history.

#### 2008 Tri-Nations Results

July 5:	New Zealand	d 19, South Africa 8
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at **Wellington** 

July 12: South Africa 30, New Zealand 28

at **Dunedin** 

July 19: Australia 16, South Africa 9

at **Perth** 

July 26: Australia 34, New Zealand 19

at **Sydney** 

August 2: New Zealand 39, Australia 10

at Auckland

August 16: New Zealand 19, South Africa o

at Cape Town

August 23: Australia 27, South Africa 15

at **Durban** 

August 30: South Africa 53, Australia 8

at Johannesburg

September 13: New Zealand 28, Australia 24

at **Brisbane** 

#### **Final Tri-Nations Point's Table**

	Pl	Won	Lost	-7	4T	Points
New Zealand	6	4	2	1	2	19
Australia	6	3	3	1	1	14
South Africa	6	2	4	1	1	10



### **Spring Tour**

Bledisloe Cup #4

New Zealand 19, Australia 14 At Hong Kong Stadium, November 1

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Sitiveni Sivivatu and Richie McCaw; 3 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For Australia:** 2 tries by Drew Mitchell; 2 conversions by Matt Giteau.

Halftime: Australia 14, New Zealand 9

**Referee:** Alan Lewis (Ireland)

Goal-kicking: Matt Giteau 2 from 3

(season 37 from 45) **Crowd:** 39,682

**Australia:** Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes, Ryan Cross (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 53 min), Stirling Mortlock (captain), Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess, Richard Brown, George Smith (replaced by David Pocock, 75 min), Dean Mumm, Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Phil Waugh, 64 min), Mark Chisholm, Al Baxter (replaced by Matt Dunning, 71 min), Stephen Moore, Benn Robinson.

New Zealand: Isaia Toeava (replaced by Cory Jane), Hosea Gear, Conrad Smith, Daniel Carter, Sitiveni Sivivatu, Stephen Donald (replaced by Ma'a Nonu), Jimmy Cowan (replaced by Piri Weepu), Rodney So'oialo (temporarily replaced by Adam Thomson), Richard McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino (replaced by Adam Thomson), Ali Williams, Brad Thorn (replaced by Anthony Boric), Neemia Tialata (replaced by Greg Somerville), Andrew Hore (replaced by Keven Mealamu), Tony Woodcock.

#### **Test Notes:**

- This was the first Bledisloe Cup Test to be held outside of Australasia, and just the second trans-Tasman Test to be played on neutral territory. Australia had won the first, at Dublin in the semi-finals of the 1991 Rugby World Cup.
- New Zealand registered its 106th win over Australia from the 156 trans-Tasman Tests played.
- Flanker George Smith became the sixth Australian player to feature in 20 Tests against the All Blacks.
- Zimbabwean-born Western Force flanker David Pocock became the 829th player to be capped by the Wallabies, and the ninth in 2008.
- In converting both Australian tries, Matt Giteau extended his run of successful conversions against New Zealand to 12. This is the most kicked by any Wallaby against the All Blacks, and is second only to the 16 kicked against New Zealand (although not consecutively) by South African Percy Montgomery.
- When he replaced Nathan Sharpe in the 64th minute, Phil Waugh tied with Jason Little's tally of 75 Tests the 10th most for the Wallabies.
- Brumbies lock Mark Chisholm featured in his 36th Test, but his first of 2008.
- New Zealand's most capped prop, Greg Somerville, played his 66th and final Test prior to taking up a contract with English club Gloucester.
- Cory Jane made his debut for the All Blacks.

Australia 30, Italy 20 At Stade Euganeo, Padova, November 8

**For Australia:** Tries by Lachie Turner and Quade Cooper; conversion and 5 penalty goals by Matt Giteau, penalty goal by Stirling Mortlock.

**For Italy:** Try by Mirco Bergamasco; penalty goals by Andrea Marcato (2) and Luciano Orquera (2), dropped goal by Marcato.



**Halftime:** Australia 14, Italy 14

**Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand)

**Goal-kicking:** Stirling Mortlock 1 from 2 (season: 1 from 2), Matt Giteau 5 from 5 (season: 42 from 50)

**Crowd:** 30,164

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper (replaced by James O'Connor, 72 min), Lachie Turner, Stirling Mortlock (captain), Timana Tahu (replaced by Quade Cooper, 62 min), Digby Ioane, Berrick Barnes (replaced by Matt Giteau, 17 min), Luke Burgess, Richard Brown, Phil Waugh (replaced by David Pocock, 72 min), Dean Mumm, Hugh McMeniman (replaced by Wycliff Palu, 67 min), Mark Chisholm, Matt Dunning, Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota Nau, 76 min), Ben Alexander (replaced by Sekope Kepu, 67 min).

Italy: Andrea Masi, Kaine Robertson, Gonzalo Canale, Gonzalo Garcia, Mirco Bergamasco, Andrea Marcato (replaced by Luciano Orquera), Pablo Canavosio (replaced by Giulio Toniolatti), Sergio Parisse (captain), Mauro Bergamasco, Josh Sole (replaced by Alessandro Zanni), Marco Bortolami (replaced by Tommaso Reato), Carlo Antonio Del Fava, Carlos Nieto, Leonardo Ghiraldini (replaced by Fabio Ongaro), Salvatore Perugini (replaced by Matias Aguero).

- This was the 10th official Test between the two nations and Australia's 10th win.
- Quade Cooper, Sekope Kepu and James O'Connor became Wallaby numbers 830, 831 and 832 respectively. At aged 18 years and 126 days, O'Connor became the second youngest Wallaby of all-time
- While he had been capped twice previously in the year against France as a replacement, in starting a Test match for the first time, prop Ben Alexander also made the maiden start of his professional career. All of his previous Super rugby appearances for the Brumbies had also been obtained coming from the bench.

- Lachie Turner and Quade Cooper scored their maiden Test tries with Cooper's being posted just 10 minutes after he had taken the field as a second half replacement.
- Padova hosted its first Test for a decade. The previous match, at the Plebliscito Stadium had also featured Australia, and had witnessed Wallaby great David Campese play his 100th and final Test. The Wallabies trained at Plebiscito in the lead-up to this match.
- The Stade Euganeo playing pitch, which is predominantly a football venue, was slightly shorter and thinner than is normally required to meet Test match standards being 98 metres long and 65 metres wide. IRB dictates are 100 metres in length and 69 metres in width. Allowances are made when football venues are used.
- Stirling Mortlock and Matt Giteau earned their fourth caps against Italy, tying Daniel Herbert and Matthew Burke for the third most by Australian players against the Azzurri.
- Italy's tally of 20 points was its highest at home in Tests against Australia and only one point short of its best ever, which was recorded at Melbourne during a 21-69 defeat in 2005.
- By contributing 17 points after coming off the bench as a replacement, Matt Giteau surpassed a century of points for the Test season, finishing the game with 114 points from 11 matches.
- Phil Waugh advanced his career tally to 76 matches; moving alongside Matthew Burke for the ninth most by any Australian player.



### **Cook Cup**

Australia 28, England 14
At Twickenham Stadium, London, November 15

**For Australia:** Try by Adam Ashley-Cooper; conversion and 6 penalty goals by Matt Giteau, penalty goal by Stirling Mortlock.

**For England:** Try by Nick Easter; 2 penalty goals by Danny Cipriani, dropped goal by Delon Armitage.

**Halftime:** Australia 12, England 11 **Referee:** Marius Jonker (South Africa)

**Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 7 from 8 (season: 50 from 58), Stirling Mortlock 1 from 1 (season: 2 from 3)

Crowd: 80,688

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes, Ryan Cross, Stirling Mortlock (captain), Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess, Richard Brown (replaced by Wycliff Palu, 45 min), George Smith, Hugh McMeniman (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 79 min), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 64 min), Al Baxter, Stephen Moore, Benn Robinson.

England: Delon Armitage, Paul Sackey, Jamie Noon, Riki Flutey, Ugo Monye, Danny Cipriani (replaced by Harry Ellis), Danny Care (replaced by Harry Ellis), Nick Easter (replaced by Jamie Haskell), Tom Rees (replaced by Michael Lipman), Tom Croft, Tom Palmer, Steve Borthwick (captain), Phil Vickery (replaced by Matt Stevens), Lee Mears (replaced by Dylan Hartley), Andrew Sheridan (temporarily replaced by Matt Stevens, replaced by Phil Vickery).

#### **Test Notes:**

• This was the 36th Test between the two nations and Australia's 21st success.

- On English soil, Australia was claiming its eighth win from 19 matches, but just the second from its last eight visits, having not won at Twickenham since 2004.
- George Smith tied Chris Latham as the second most capped Wallaby against England by appearing in his 11th Test.
- Australia retained the Cook Cup which is contested by the two nations.
- The 28 points represented Australia's biggest winning score on English soil eclipsing the 23 points scored in a 23-11 success in 1967.
- Australia's 14-point margin of victory was its second biggest in Tests against England in England, being eclipsed only by the 19-3 success achieved by the 1984 Grand Slammers.
- Matt Giteau's 20 points was the second highest individual points tally by a Wallaby in Test matches against England, being bettered only by the 22 accumulated by Matthew Burke during the 76-0 rout at Brisbane in 1998.
- When he converted Adam Ashley-Cooper's try, Matt Giteau landed his 50th goal of the Test season – from 58 attempts @ 86%.

#### **Trophee des Bicentenaires**

Australia 18, France 13 At Stade de France, Paris, November 22

**For Australia:** Tries by Stephen Moore and Peter Hynes; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For France:** Penalty try; conversion and a penalty goal by David Skrela, dropped goal by Maxime Medard.

**Halftime:** Australia 10, France 7 **Referee:** Craig Joubert (South Africa) **Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 3 from 5

(season: 53 from 63) **Crowd:** 79,231



Australia: Drew Mitchell, Peter Hynes, Adam Ashley-Cooper (replaced by Quade Cooper, 75 min), Stirling Mortlock (captain), Digby Ioane, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Sam Cordingley, 64 min), Wycliff Palu (replaced by Mark Chisholm, 57 min), George Smith, Dean Mumm, Nathan Sharpe, Hugh McMeniman, Al Baxter, Stephen Moore, Ben Alexander (replaced by Sekope Kepu, 64 min).

France: Maxime Medard, Julien Malzieu (replaced by Alexis Palisson), Yannick Jauzion, Benoit Baby (replaced by Damien Traille), Cedric Haymans, David Skrela, Sebastien Tillous Borde (replaced by Julien Tomas), Imanol Harinordoquy, Fulgence Ouedraogo, Thierry Dusautoir (replaced by Louis Picamoles), Lionel Nallet (captain, replaced by Romain Millo-Chluski)), Sebastien Chabal, Nicolas Mas (replaced by Benoit Lecouls), Dimitri Szarzewski (replaced by Benjamin Kayser), Lionel Faure.

#### **Test Notes:**

- This was Australia's first win in France for four Tests
   & eight years with the score-line being identical to the previous win at the Stade de France in 2000.
   Only Stirling Mortlock, George Smith and reserve halfback Sam Cordingley survived from that match.
   Wallabies' forwards coaches Jim Williams and Michael Foley had also figured as players on that occasion.
- This was the 39th official Test between teams representing Australia and France, dating back to the inaugural meeting between a touring New South Wales side and France in Paris in 1928, which the visiting side won 11-8. This match was awarded Test status by the ARU. In total, Australia has won 21 matches and France 16, with two draws.
- This was the 20th Test to have been played between the two nations on French soil with Australia collecting its seventh win, as aside 12 defeats and a draw.
- When he kicked his second penalty goal, Matt Giteau surpassed 400 Test points, becoming the fourth Wallaby beyond this landmark, following on from Michael Lynagh, Matthew Burke and Stirling Mortlock.

- Wallaby skipper Stirling Mortlock appeared in his 75th Test, tying Jason Little as the 11th most capped Australian player of all-time.
- George Smith matched the 10 appearances against France attained by George Gregan and David Campese. Only Jason Little (with 11) has more.
- The most recent prior match between the two teams at Brisbane in July saw Australia record its highest winning margin against a French side, in posting a 40-10 victory. Eight members of the Wallabies starting XV from that evening reappeared, while just five of the French XV were again involved.
- Success retained for the Wallabies retained the Trophée des Bicentenaires after it had won the series earlier in the year in Australia.

#### **James Bevan Trophy**

Wales 21, Australia 18 At the Millennium Stadium, Cardiff, 29 November

**For Wales:** Tries by Lee Byrne and Shane Williams; conversion, 2 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Stephen Jones.

**For Australia:** Tries by Mark Chisholm and Digby Ioane; conversion, penalty goal and a dropped goal by Matt Giteau.

Halftime: Wales 15, Australia 10 Referee: Alan Lewis (Ireland) Goal-kicking: Matt Giteau 2 from 4

(season: 55 from 65, 85%)

Crowd: 74,314

Yellow Card: Stephen Moore (Australia) 27-37 min

Australia: Drew Mitchell, Peter Hynes (replaced by Lote Tuqiri, 33 min), Ryan Cross, Stirling Mortlock (captain, replaced by Quade Cooper, 2 min), Digby Ioane, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess, Richard Brown, Phil Waugh (temporarily replaced by Adam Freier, 36-38 min, replaced by George Smith, 62 min), Hugh McMeniman (replaced by Dean Mumm, 69 min), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm, Al Baxter, Stephen Moore (replaced by Adam Freier, 68 min), Benn Robinson.



**Wales:** Lee Byrne, Mark Jones, Tom Shanklin, Jamie Roberts (replaced by Andrew Bishop), Shane Williams, Stephen Jones, Gareth Cooper, Andy Powell (replaced by Dafydd Jones), Martyn Williams, Ryan Jones (captain), Alun-Wyn Jones, Ian Gough, Adam Jones, Matthew Rees, Gethin Jenkins.

#### **Test Notes:**

- This was the 28th meeting between the two sides and Wales' 10th win; eight of which have been achieved on Welsh soil.
- The match represented Wales' inaugural success in the James Bevan Trophy, which was introduced in 2007. It came in a match that marked the 100-year anniversary of the Melbourne-born player captaining Wales for the first time.
- This represented the third Spring Tour visit to Cardiff in succession where Australia had failed to win following on from the 22-24 loss of 2005 and the 29-29 draw in 2006.
- The success achieved by Wales was the only one gained by a Northern Hemisphere side against any of the Tri-Nations powers during the European autumn Test window.
- Digby loane scored just the second try of his Test career. Both have been scored against Wales.
- Flanker Phil Waugh won his eighth cap against Wales, tying David Campese for the second most appearances by an Australian against Wales. The pair lie one behind George Gregan, who appeared against Wales on nine different occasions. Nathan Sharpe won his seventh cap against Wales, joining Joe Roff on this tally.
- In featuring in his 77th Test, Phil Waugh moved beyond Matthew Burke and into outright ninth position among the most capped Wallabies. Stirling Mortlock joined Burke on 76 Tests, as the 10th most capped Wallaby.
- The game featured four different Wallaby captains, with Phil Waugh taking over after Stirling Mortlock left the field in the second minute. Matt Giteau then stood in briefly for Waugh while he was temporarily substituted, before George Smith took over when he replaced Waugh in the final quarter.
- With his last successful kick of the match, Matt Giteau raised 150 points for the Test season.

- Wales inside centre Jamie Roberts suffered a fractured skull in his second-minute collision with Stirling Mortlock, which forced both players from the field.
- The dropped goal Stephen Jones kicked for Wales was the fourth conceded by the Wallabies in four consecutive Tests during the European tour.

### 2008 Test Appearances

(Overall Test career appearances in brackets)

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Ben Alexander	4	(4)
Adam Ashley-Cooper	13	(23)
Berrick Barnes	9	(13)
Al Baxter	13	(64)
Richard Brown	5	(5)
Luke Burgess	11	(11)
Mark Chisholm	5	(40)
Quade Cooper	3	(3)
Sam Cordingley	8	(22)
Ryan Cross	11	(11)
Matt Dunning	7	(43)
Rocky Elsom	8	(40)
Adam Freier	5	(25)
Matt Giteau	14	(65)
Stephen Hoiles	1	(16)
James Horwill	9	(10)
Peter Hynes	13	(13)
Digby Ioane	3	(4)
Sekope Kepu	2	(2)
Hugh McMeniman	9	(21)
Drew Mitchell	8	(29)
Stephen Moore	14	(34)
Stirling Mortlock	13	(76)
Dean Mumm	10	(10)
James O'Connor	1	(1)
Wycliff Palu	11	(28)
David Pocock	2	(2)
Tatafu Polata-Nau	7	(10)
Benn Robinson	12	(18)
Nathan Sharpe	10	(74)
Brett Sheehan	2	(3)
Cameron Shepherd	3	(9)
George Smith	13	(96)
Timana Tahu	4	(4)
Lote Tuqiri	9	(67)
Lachie Turner	2	(2)
Daniel Vickerman	3	(55)
Phil Waugh	11	(77)



### 2008 Test Point-scoring

	Tries	Con	Pen	DG	Total	[Test Career]
Matt Giteau	1	26	29	2	150	[409]
Stirling Mortlock	3	-	2	-	21	[484]
Ryan Cross	4	-	-	-	20	[20]
James Horwill	4	-	-	-	20	[20]
Adam Ashley- Cooper	3	-	-	-	15	[35]
Peter Hynes	3	-	-	-	15	[15]
Drew Mitchell	3	-	-	-	15	[85]
Rocky Elsom	2	-	-	-	10	[35]
Lote Tuqiri		2	-	-	-	10
Berrick Barnes	1	-	-	1	8	[24]
Mark Chisholm	1	-	-	-	5	[30]
Quade Cooper	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
Digby Ioane	1	-	-	-	5	[10]
Stephen Moore	1	-	-	-	5	[10]
Benn Robinson	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
Nathan Sharpe	1	-	-	-	5	[35]
Lachie Turner	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
Totals		33	26	31	3	319

Opposition sides scored 32 tries, 19 conversions, 24 penalty goals and 4 dropped goals

Australia 18, Barbarians 11 At Wembley Stadium, London, 3 December

**For Australia:** Tries by Lote Tuqiri and Lachie Turner; conversion and 2 penalty goals by James O'Connor.

**For the Barbarians:** Try by Jerry Collins; 2 penalty goals by Percy Montgomery.

**Halftime:** Australia 13, Barbarians 6 **Referee:** Chris White (England)

Goal-kicking: James O'Connor 3 from 3, Quade Cooper

o from 1 **Crowd:** 43,800

Australia: James O'Connor (replaced by Drew Mitchell, 64 min), Digby Ioane, Ryan Cross (replaced by Lachie Turner, 57 min), Adam Ashley-Cooper, Lote Tuqiri, Quade Cooper, Brett Sheehan (replaced by Luke Burgess, 50 min), Richard Brown (replaced by David Pocock, 46 min), George Smith (captain), Dean Mumm, Hugh McMeniman, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Peter Kimlin, 77 min), Matt Dunning (replaced by Adam Freier, 46 min), Tatafu Polota-Nau, Sekope Kepu (replaced by Ben Alexander, 46 min).

The Barbarians: Percy Montgomery (South Africa, replaced by Shane Williams, Wales, 38 min), Joe Rokocoko (New Zealand), Rico Gear (New Zealand, replaced by Ollie Smith, England, 50 min), Jean de Villiers (South Africa), Bryan Habana (South Africa), Francois Steyn (South Africa), Fourie du Preez (South Africa, replaced by George Gregan, Australia, 59 min), Jerry Collins (New Zealand), Richard McCaw (New Zealand), Schalk Burger (South Africa), Johann Muller (South Africa, replaced by Chris Jack, New Zealand, 50 min), Bakkies Botha (South Africa), Census Johnston (Samoa, replaced by Nick Koster, Western Province, South Africa, 50 min), John Smit (South Africa, captain), Federico Pucciarello (Italy, replaced by Rodney Blake, Australia, 23 min, replaced by Mark Regan, England, 59 min).

#### **Match Notes:**

- This was the 10th meeting between Australia and the Barbarians and Australia's seventh win; the last six of which have been achieved consecutively.
- Former Wallabies George Gregan and Rodney Blake appeared against their countrymen.



- While it was a non-cap match, Peter Kimlin's appearance off the bench was his first match for the Wallabies. The Brumbies lock became the 13th player to make his maiden appearance for Australia during 2008.
- James O'Connor started a match for Australia for the first time, and took on the added responsibility of handling the goal-kicking.
- The Barbarians side, which was prepared by South Africa's 2007 Rugby World Cup winning coaching staff of Jake White and former Wallaby coach Eddie Jones; contained four of the last five IRB Players of the Year: Shane Williams (2008), Bryan Habana (2007), Richard McCaw (2006) & Schalk Burger (2004).
- Injuries to Australian props Matt Dunning (ruptured Achilles tendon) & Sekope Kepu (torn pectoral muscle) at the same scrum in the 46th minute saw the game restricted to non-contestable scrums for its final 34 minutes.
- The match, which was the first rugby game to be held under the arch at the new Wembley arena, was supported by the British Olympic foundation and commemorated the rugby gold medal won by the foundation Wallaby team at the 1908 Olympics in London. The Australian players were awarded gold medals at the conclusion of the match.

#### 2009

### Sir Nicholas Shehadie Cup

Australia 55, Barbarians 7
At the Sydney Football Stadium, 6 June, 2009

For Australia: Tries by Drew Mitchell (2), James Horwill, Matt Giteau, Ben Alexander, David Pocock, Stephen Moore and James O'Connor; 4 conversions and a penalty goal by Giteau, 2 conversions by Stirling Mortlock.

**For the Barbarians:** Try by Iain Balshaw; conversion by Luke McAlister.

**Halftime:** Australia 20, Barbarians 7 **Referee:** Stuart Dickinson (Australia)

Goal kicking: Matt Giteau 5 from 7 (season: 5 from 7),

Stirling Mortlock 2 from 2 (season: 2 from 2)

Crowd: 39,688

Man of the match: Matt Giteau (Australia)

**Australia:** Adam Ashley-Cooper (replaced by James O'Connor, 62 min), Lachie Turner, Stirling Mortlock (captain), Berrick Barnes, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau (replaced by Quade Cooper, 72 min), Luke Burgess (replaced by Josh Valentine, 41 min), Richard Brown (replaced by David Pocock, 41-45 min, 62 min), George Smith, Matt Hodgson (replaced by Dean Mumm, 40 min), Nathan Sharpe, James Horwill, Al Baxter (replaced by Ben Alexander, 62 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 66 min), Benn Robinson.

Barbarians: Geordan Murphy (Ireland, replaced by Ben Blair, New Zealand), Josh Lewsey (England), Sonny Bill Williams (New Zealand), Seilala Mapusua (Samoa, replaced by Glen Jackson, New Zealand), Iain Balshaw (England), Luke McAlister (New Zealand), Chris Whitaker (Australia, replaced by Justin Marshall, New Zealand), David Lyons (Australia), Phil Waugh (Australia, captain, replaced by Serge Betsen, France), Jerry Collins (New Zealand), Paul Tito (New Zealand), Chris Jack (New Zealand, replaced by Martin Corry, England), BJ Botha (South Africa, replaced by Clark Dermody, New Zealand), Sebastien Bruno (France, replaced by Schalk Brits, South Africa), Clarke Dermody (New Zealand, replaced by Greg Somerville, New Zealand).



#### **Match Notes:**

- This was Australia's eighth win from 11 matches against the Barbarians since the foundation game in 1948 at Cardiff Arms Park, and the seventh in a row.
- The 55 points Australia scored, and 48-point winning margin, were both records for the Wallabies against the Barbarians. They were also highs, in terms of the 26 matches played by the Barbarians against the three Southern Hemisphere super-powers.
- Although it was a non-cap match, the 27-year-old Western Force flanker Matt Hodgson made his first appearance at senior level for Australia.
- James O'Connor, David Pocock and Ben Alexander all scored their first tries for Australia.
- Twelve of the Australian match night squad of 22 had also appeared against the Barbarians the previous December in London when the Qantas Wallabies had prevailed 18-11.
- While the Barbarians had appeared in South Africa previously, this was the first time the famous festival club had played in either Australia or New Zealand.
- This was the 25th match played by the Wallabies at the SFS since it first hosted Test rugby when Australia beat the British & Irish Lions 30-12 in the first Test of the 1989 series, and Australia's 20th win 18 of which had been secured in Test matches.
- The game was the first appearance by the Wallabies at the SFS since a 41-29 win over New Zealand Maori in a non-cap match in 2001.
- The win claimed for Australia the Sir Nicholas Shehadie Cup, which had been introduced to commemorate this rivalry. Shehadie played both for Australia against the Barbarians and for the Barbarians against Australia.

### **Bundaberg Rum Rugby Series**

Australia 31, Italy 8 At Canberra Stadium, 13 June, 2009

**For Australia:** Tries by James O'Connor (3), Stirling Mortlock and Matt Giteau; 3 conversions by Giteau.

**For Italy:** Try by Kaine Robertson; penalty goal by Luke McLean.

Halftime: Australia 17, Italy 3
Referee: Romain Poite (France)
Goal kicking: Matt Giteau 3 from 5

(season: 8 from 12). **Crowd:** 22, 468

Man of the match: James O'Connor (Australia)

Man of Gold: James O'Connor

Australia: James O'Connor, Lachie Turner (replaced by Adam Ashley-Cooper, 40 min), Stirling Mortlock (captain, replaced by Quade Cooper, 65 min), Berrick Barnes, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess, Richard Brown (replaced by David Pocock, 63 min), George Smith, Dean Mumm (replaced by Peter Kimlin, 60 min), Nathan Sharpe, James Horwill, Al Baxter (replaced by Ben Alexander, 58 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 60 min), Benn Robinson.

Italy: Luke McLean, Kaine Robertson, Mirco Bergamasco, Matteo Pratichetti, Alberto Sgarbi, Craig Gower, Pablo Canavosio (replaced by Tito Tebaldi), Sergio Parisse (captain), Mauro Bergamasco (replaced by Paul Derbyshire), Alessandro Zanni, Carlo Antonio Del Fava (replaced by Marco Bortolami), Quintin Geldenhuys, Fabio Staibano (replaced by Ignacio Rouyet), Leonardo Ghiraldini, Salvatore Perugini.



#### **Test Notes:**

- This was Australia's 11th consecutive win over Italy, and fifth on home soil, in official IRB Tests dating back to the inaugural match at Rovigo in 1983.
- The 23-point winning margin represented Australia's second biggest from its five Test matches against Italy on home soil, eclipsed only by the 48-point win achieved at Melbourne in 2005. Skipper Stirling Mortlock, flyhalf Matt Giteau, lock Nathan Sharpe, prop Al Baxter and hooker Stephen Moore featured in both matches.
- Fullback James O'Connor, who had become the second youngest ever Test Wallaby against Italy at Padova in November 2008, created further history against the Azzurri by becoming the first Australian player to score a hat-trick of tries in his run on debut, as well as the youngest player from any country to score three tries in a Test match.
- The hat-trick claimed by James O'Connor represented the 24th occasion that three or more tries had been scored by an Australian player in a Test match. It was the first hat-trick scored by a Wallaby since Drew Mitchell scored three against Fiji in 2007.
- Eleven members of the Australian squad half of the match night playing roster – had appeared in the previous meeting between the two nations, when the Wallabies prevailed 30-20 at Padua in 2008.
- This was Australia's third Test match appearance at Canberra Stadium, but the Wallabies' first for nine years since a 32-25 win over Argentina. Stirling Mortlock was the only player to feature in both matches.
- In playing his 77th Test, Stirling Mortlock tied teammate Phil Waugh as the ninth most capped Wallaby.
  He also scored his 29th Test try, to move alongside Matthew Burke as the sixth most prolific Test trygatherer for the Wallabies.

Australia 34, Italy 12 At Etihad Stadium, Melbourne, 20 June, 2009

**For Australia:** Tries by Adam Ashley-Cooper (2), Tatafu Polota-Nau, Lachie Turner and Ryan Cross; 2 conversions and a penalty goal by James O'Connor, conversion by Berrick Barnes.

For Italy: 4 penalty goals by Luke McLean.

**Halftime:** Australia 20, Italy 6 **Referee:** Dave Pearson (England)

Goal kicking: James O'Connor 3 from 5 (season: 3 from

5), Berrick Barnes 1 from 2 (season: 1 from 2).

Crowd: 20.280

Man of the match: Adam Ashley-Cooper (Australia)

Man of Gold: Pek Cowan

Australia: James O'Connor (replaced by Adam Ashley-Cooper, 70 min), Lachie Turner, Ryan Cross, Quade Cooper, Peter Hynes (temporarily replaced by Adam Ashley-Cooper, 4-17 min, 31-40 min), Berrick Barnes, Luke Burgess (replaced by Josh Valentine, 72 min), George Smith (captain), David Pocock, Peter Kimlin (replaced by Phil Waugh, 67 min), Dean Mumm, James Horwill, Ben Alexander, Tatafu Polota-Nau, Pek Cowan.

Italy: Luke McLean, Giulio Rubini (replaced by Roberto Quartaroli), Gonzalo Canale, Gonzalo Garcia, Alberto Sgarbi, Craig Gower, Tito Tebaldi (replaced by Giulio Toniolatti), Sergio Parisse (captain), Simone Favaro, Jean Francois Montauriol (replaced by Carlo Antonio Del Fava), Marco Bortolami (replaced by Quintin Geldenhuys), Tommaso Reato, Fabio Staibano (replaced by Salvatore Perugini), Franco Sbaraglini, Matias Aguero.



#### **Test Notes:**

- This is the 12th official Test between Australia and Italy and Australia's 12th win. A quarter of these matches have been played in Melbourne, with the Wallabies' win adding to successes gained in the city in 1994 and 2005.
- George Smith captained Australia for the third time in Tests. The Wallabies have won all of those matches.
- Western Force prop Pek Cowan played his first Test, becoming Wallaby number 834. He was the 15th new Wallaby to be introduced by coach Robbie Deans.
- In addition, Quade Cooper, David Pocock and Peter Kimlin all made their maiden Test starting appearances.
- Tatafu Polota-Nau scored his maiden Test try.
- Adam Ashley-Cooper, who started on the bench, scored two tries in a Test for the first time.
- Phil Waugh came off the bench to earn his 78th Test cap, which reclaimed sole ownership of the position as the ninth most capped Wallaby.
- The Australian starting lineup featured the combined total of 198 caps 97 of which belonged to the skipper, George Smith. His career total was more than double the 42 caps assembled by the other seven players in the starting forward pack.
- This was the ninth Test played by Australia at the venue now known as Etihad Stadium since the indoor facility opened in 2000, and the eighth win. The Wallabies' sole defeat at the ground came against England in 2003.
- In total, this was the 16th Test to have been played by Australia at all Melbourne venues, and the Wallabies' 12th win, alongside three defeats and a draw.

### **Trophée Des Bicentenaires**

Australia 22, France 6 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, 27 June, 2009

**For Australia:** Try, conversion and 5 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For France:** Penalty goals by Lionel Beauxis and Dmitri Yachvili.

Halftime: Australia 10, France 3
Referee: Dave Pearson (England)
Goal kicking: Matt Giteau 6 from 6

(season: 14 from 18). **Crowd:** 43, 588

Man of the match: George Smith (Australia)

Man of Gold: George Smith

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Lachie Turner, Stirling Mortlock (captain, replaced by Ryan Cross, 76 min), Berrick Barnes (replaced by James O'Connor, 70 min), Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Josh Valentine, 72 min), Richard Brown (replaced by Phil Waugh, 72 min), George Smith, Dean Mumm, Nathan Sharpe, James Horwill (replaced by David Pocock, 61 min), Al Baxter (replaced by Ben Alexander, 55 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 60 min), Benn Robinson.

France: Damien Traille, Maxime Medard, Florian Fritz (replaced by Julien Arias), Maxime Mermoz, Cedric Heymans, Lionel Beauxis (replaced by Vincent Clerc), Dmitri Yachvili (replaced by Julien Dupuy), Julien Puricelli (replaced by Damien Chouly), Fulgence Ouedraogo, Thierry Dusautoir (captain), Romain Millo-Chluski (replaced by Remy Martin), Pascal Pape, Sylvain Marconnet (replaced by Nicolas Mas), Dimitri Szarzewski (replaced by Guilhem Guirado), Fabien Barcella.



#### **Test Notes:**

- This was Australia's 22nd win from 40 Tests between teams representing Australia and France, dating back to the inaugural meeting between a touring New South Wales side and France at Paris in 1928, which the visiting side won 11-8.
- The win was Australia's eighth from 12 matches against France in Sydney, alongside three losses and a draw. It was Australia's 14th win from 19 meetings against France on Australian soil, and eighth in succession dating back to the loss of the third Test of the 1990 series in Sydney.
- The 16-point winning margin was Australia's second highest from its eight Test wins against France in Sydney, eclipsed only by the 21-point win achieved in the corresponding match a year earlier.
- Australia was recording its 250th Test win while France was featuring in its 650th Test.
- Matt Giteau scored all 22 of Australia's points.
   This was the second most by an Australian against
   France from one Test, being bettered only by the 25 accumulated by Matthew Burke in the 1999 Rugby World Cup final.
- The haul allowed Giteau to advance his career tally against France to 80, edging ahead of Burke's mark of 76, as the second most by an Australian against France. Only Michael Lynagh, with 126 points, has scored more.
- George Smith played his 11th Test against France, tying Jason Little's career tally for the most appearances by a Wallaby against France.
- This was Australia's fourth consecutive Test win against France. That is the second greatest number of consecutive wins Australia has ever had against France; being bettered only by the stretch between 1993 and 2000 when the Wallabies won six straight against the French.
- Phil Waugh's appearance off the bench was his 79th in Tests, tying fellow breakaway David Wilson for the eighth most caps by an Australian player.
- Nathan Sharpe clocked up his 76th Test appearance, placing him alongside Matthew Burke in 10th position on the all-time list of Test caps for Australia.

• This was Australia's 25th Test at ANZ Stadium since the Olympic venue was first utilized for rugby union in 1999, and the Wallabies' 21st success.

### **Bundaberg Rum Tri Nations Series**

### Bledisloe Cup #1

New Zealand 22, Australia 16 At Eden Park, Auckland, 18 July, 2009

**For New Zealand:** Try by Richard McCaw; conversion and 5 penalty goals by Stephen Donald.

**For Australia:** Try by Berrick Barnes; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 13, New Zealand 10 **Referee:** Craig Joubert (South Africa) Goal kicking: Matt Giteau 4 from 6

(season: 18 from 24). **Crowd:** 32,000

Man of Gold: George Smith

**New Zealand:** Malili Muliaina, Sitiveni Sivivatu, Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu, Cory Jane, Stephen Donald, Jimmy Cowan (replaced by Piri Weepu), Rodney So'oialo (replaced by Kieran Read), Richard McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino, Brad Thorn, Isaac Ross, Neemia Tialata (replaced by Owen Franks), Andrew Hore (replaced by Keven Mealamu), Tony Woodcock.

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Lachie Turner, Stirling Mortlock (captain), Berrick Barnes (replaced by James O'Connor, 61 min), Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Will Genia, 72 min), Wycliff Palu, George Smith, Richard Brown (replaced by David Pocock, 50 min), Nathan Sharpe, James Horwill (temporarily replaced by Dean Mumm, 35-45 min, 63-70 min), Al Baxter (replaced by Ben Alexander, 72 min), Stephen Moore, Benn Robinson.



#### **Test Notes**

- Four days after his 29th birthday, George Smith became the 10th player in the history of the game, but the fourth Australian, to feature in 100 Test matches.
- In playing his 21st Test against New Zealand, Smith also matched the career tally of appearances against that nation achieved by Wallaby legends John Eales, Nick Farr Jones and Simon Poidevin. Only five players from any country Australians David Campese (29), George Gregan (27), Tim Horan (23), Stephen Larkham and Phil Kearns (both 22) have played more Tests against the All Blacks.
- Will Genia became the 835th player to appear for Australia, and the 15th new Test cap to have been introduced during the 18 Tests played in the Robbie Deans tenure as Wallaby coach.
- This was the third consecutive occasion that Australia had led New Zealand at halftime before being beaten in a Bledisloe Cup Test. It was the fifth instance of this happening in a Tri Nations Test between the two countries.
- All Black captain Richard McCaw's 25th minute try represented the first occasion that the Australian goal-line had successfully been penetrated in 222 minutes of Test play. The try was McCaw's sixth from 16 Tests against Australia.
- The win was New Zealand's 107th from 157 Tests against Australia, and the All Blacks' 52nd success from the 70 games played in New Zealand.
- Success also represented New Zealand's 19th win from 23 trans-Tasman Tests in Auckland, with the last 11 having been achieved in a row.
- Victory extended New Zealand's winning sequence at Eden Park against all-comers to 20 Tests, and its unbeaten run to 21 since a 20-23 loss to France at the ground in 1994.
- It was also New Zealand's ninth win in a row against Australia on home soil dating back to a 15-23 loss at Dunedin in 2001.

- This was New Zealand's 24th home win from 29 games played in Tri-Nations matches since the competition kicked off in 1996. It was Australia's 24th defeat (in 29 matches) from Tri-Nations games played away from home.
- Stirling Mortlock played his 79th Test, tying flankers David Wilson and Phil Waugh for the ninth most Test caps gathered by an Australian player.
- Nathan Sharpe appeared in his 77th Test, moving ahead of Matthew Burke to become the 10th most capped Wallaby in his own right.

### Mandela Trophy #1

South Africa 29, Australia 17 At Newlands Stadium, Cape Town, 8 August, 2009

**For South Africa:** Try by Victor Matfield; 7 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Morné Steyn.

**For Australia:** Tries by Adam Ashley-Cooper and Matt Giteau; 2 conversions by Giteau, dropped goal by Berrick Barnes.

**Halftime:** South Africa 23, Australia 10 **Referee:** Alain Rolland (Ireland) **Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 2 from 2

(season: 20 from 26)

Yellow cards: Matt Giteau (34-44 min), Richard Brown

(36-46 min), George Smith (78 min)

Crowd: 49,300

Man of Gold: James O'Connor

**South Africa:** Frans Steyn (replaced by Ruan Pienaar, 60 min), JP Pietersen, Jaque Fourie, Jean de Villiers (replaced by Adrian Jacobs, 72 min), Bryan Habana, Morné Steyn, Fourie du Preez (replaced by Enrico Januarie, 76 min), Pierre Spies, Juan Smith (replaced by Danie Rossouw, 53 min), Heinrich Brussow, Bakkies Botha (replaced by Andries Bekker, 76 min), Victor Matfield, John Smit (captain), Bismarck du Plessis, Tendai Mtawarira (replaced by Jannie du Plessis, 69 min).



Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Lachie Turner, Stirling Mortlock (captain, replaced by James O'Connor, 30 min), Berrick Barnes, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Will Genia, 55 min), Wycliff Palu (replaced by David Pocock, 55 min), George Smith, Richard Brown, Nathan Sharpe, James Horwill (replaced by Dean Mumm, 40 min), Al Baxter (replaced by Ben Alexander, 50 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 50 min), Benn Robinson.

#### **Test Notes:**

- This was the 10th official Test match between South Africa and Australia at Cape Town and Australia's seventh defeat – the last five of which have come in succession.
- George Smith played his 101st Test, tying David Campese as the third most capped Australian player of all-time, while also joining his compatriot as the eighth most capped player from any country in Tests.
- Stirling Mortlock played his 80th Test match, tying Tim Horan for the seventh most by any Australian player.
- Victor Matfield and Bakkies Botha locked the South African scrum as a combination for a record 50th time.
- Jean de Villiers played his 40th Test at inside centre, surpassing De Wet Barry's previous Bok Test record in that position of 39.
- This was the 36th Test to be played between the two countries in South Africa, with the Springboks' win their 28th, as aside eight defeats
- The win was South Africa's 41st from 68 Tests against Australia, with the Wallabies having won 26 and one drawn.
- This was the 22nd consecutive occasion that South Africa had gone on to win a Test match after leading at halftime.
- Matt Giteau's try was his seventh in Tests against South Africa, tying team-mate Stirling Mortlock for the most by any Wallaby against that country. The pair share the figure with the former Bok winger Breyton Paulse for the most tries in Australia-South Africa Test matches.

- Morné Steyn's personal tally of 24 points had been bettered just once by a South African in Tests against Australia – with Jannie de Beer recording 26 against the Wallabies at Pretoria in 1997. Steyn's haul came a week after he had scored a Tri-Nations record 31 during South Africa's 31-19 win over New Zealand at Durhan
- Australia had three players sin-binned for just the second time since temporary suspensions were introduced to the game. The binnings of Matt Giteau and Richard Brown almost simultaneously saw Australia play eight minutes with only 13 men on the field, although it conceded just three points during this period.

### Bledisloe Cup #2

New Zealand 19, Australia 18 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, 22 August

**For New Zealand:** Try by Ma'a Nonu; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

For Australia: 6 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 12, New Zealand 3 **Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa) Goal Kicking: Matt Giteau 6 from 6

(season: 26 from 32) **Crowd:** 80,228

Man of Gold: Nathan Sharpe Man of the Match: Nathan Sharpe

Yellow card: Richard Brown (Australia) 42-52 minutes

**Australia:** James O'Connor (replaced by Peter Hynes, 45 min), Lachie Turner, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Berrick Barnes (replaced by Ryan Cross, 40 min), Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Will Genia, 75 min), Richard Brown (replaced by David Pocock, 64 min), George Smith (captain), Rocky Elsom,



Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Dean Mumm, 67 min), James Horwill, Al Baxter (replaced by Ben Alexander, 31 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 22-31 min, 50-64 min, 71 min), Benn Robinson.

**New Zealand:** Malili Muliaina, Joe Rokocoko, Conrad Smith (replaced by Ma'a Nonu), Luke McAlister (temporarily replaced by Ma'a Nonu, replaced by Stephen Donald), Sitiveni Sivivatu, Dan Carter, Jimmy Cowan, Kieran Read, Richie McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino (replaced by Rodney So'oialo), Isaac Ross, Brad Thorn, Owen Franks (replaced by John Afoa), Andrew Hore, Tony Woodcock.

- For the fourth straight Bledisloe Cup Test match, Australia led at halftime but was unable to maintain its advantage until the final whistle.
- This was the 158th match between teams representing Australia and New Zealand and New Zealand's 108th win.
- It was also the 50th Test to be played between the All Blacks and the Wallabies in Sydney and New Zealand's 30th success. Australia has prevailed 18 times with two other matches drawn.
- This was the 26th Test played by Australia at ANZ Stadium since the Olympic venue was first utilized for rugby union in 1999, and the Wallabies' fifth defeat – four of which have been inflicted by the All Blacks.
- In playing his 22nd Test against the All Blacks, George Smith matched the career tally of appearances against that nation achieved by Stephen Larkham and Phil Kearns. Only three players from any country and they are all Australians: David Campese (29), George Gregan (27) and Tim Horan (23) have played more Tests against New Zealand.
- This was the fourth occasion on which Smith had led his country in Test matches, but the first time Australia suffered defeat after earlier wins over Canada (2007), New Zealand (2008) and Italy (2009).

- This was the 102nd Test played by Smith, which advanced him beyond David Campese, while tying ex-team-mate Stephen Larkham for the second greatest number of caps gathered by an Australian, while also joining his compatriot and the South African Percy Montgomery as the sixth most capped player from any country in Tests
- When he kicked the fifth of his six penalty goals, Matt Giteau moved beyond the 84 career points Stirling Mortlock has scored against the All Blacks, and into position as the third highest Australian Test point-scorer against New Zealand. Giteau finished the match with 90 career points against the All Blacks, 43 behind the second-ranked Michael Lynagh.
- That goal also moved Giteau's career tally of points in Tri Nations to 155, jumping ahead of Carlos Spencer (153) as the competition's sixth most prolific pointscorer. Giteau finished the game on 158 career Tri Nations points.
- This was the second occasion in 2009 where Giteau had contributed all of Australia's points – and both instances occurred at Homebush – with Giteau also having contributed all 22 of Australia's points during the win over France.
- Nathan Sharpe played his 79th Test, tying flankers David Wilson and Phil Waugh for the ninth most Test caps gathered by an Australian player.
- The 14 points tallied by Dan Carter took his career tally against Australia to 167, over-hauling the 159 scored by Grant Fox, to make him the second most prolific All Black against the Wallabies behind the 202 posted by Andrew Mehrtens.
- Carter finished the night with 893 career points, equal with the South African Percy Montgomery as the seventh most prolific Test player in the history of the game.
- All Black skipper Richard McCaw earned his 74th Test cap, tying his predecessor as New Zealand leader, Tana Umaga, as the fifth most capped All Black of all-time.



- The win was fullback Malili Muliaina's 23rd in a Tri Nations match, which tied Justin Marshall for the most experienced by any player in the history of the competition. Muliaina was featuring in his 75th Test.
- Referee Jonathan Kaplan officiated for a record 53rd time in a Test match. It was also his seventh Tri Nations fixture, tying Irishman Alain Rolland for the most games by a match official. Rolland had officiated in Australia's previous Tri Nations match at Cape Town.
- This was the eleventh Test played by Australia against an All Black team which featured both Daniel Carter and Richie McCaw and the 10th defeat against that combination.

### Mandela Trophy #2

South Africa 32, Australia 25 At Subiaco Oval, Perth, 29 August

**For South Africa:** Tries by Bryan Habana (2), Fourie du Preez and Jaque Fourie; 3 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Morné Steyn.

For Australia: Tries by Matt Giteau (2) and Lachie Turner; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** South Africa 22, Australia 6 **Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand) **Goal Kicking:** Matt Giteau 4 from 7

(season: 30 from 39) **Crowd:** 36,148

Man of Gold: Matt Giteau

Man of the Match: Fourie du Preez (South Africa)

Australia: James O'Connor (replaced by Drew Mitchell, 75 min), Lachie Turner, Ryan Cross (replaced by Quade Cooper, 64 min), Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess (replaced by Will Genia, 57 min), Richard Brown (replaced by David Pocock, 48 min), George Smith (captain), Rocky Elsom, Mark Chisholm, James Horwill, Ben Alexander, Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 53 min), Benn Robinson.

**South Africa:** Ruan Pienaar (replaced by Francois Steyn), JP Pietersen, Jaque Fourie, Jean de Villiers, Bryan Habana, Morné Steyn, Fourie du Preez (replaced by Enrico Januarie), Pierre Spies, Juan Smith (replaced by Schalk Burger), Heinrich Brussow, Bakkies Botha (replaced by Andries Bekker), Victor Matfield, John Smit (captain, replaced by Jannie du Plessis), Bismarck du Plessis (replaced by Chiliboy Ralepelle), Tendai Mtawarira.

- This was the sixth match between Australia and South Africa in Perth and Australia's third defeat, alongside two wins and a draw.
- Bulls' halfback Fourie Du Preez became the 18th Springbok to play 50 Tests, marking the occasion with a try as well as the man of the match award.
- South Africa's seven-point winning margin reversed last year's Australian win by seven points in the corresponding match. The margin is the widest for either team from the six matches in Perth.
- This was just South Africa's fourth success on Australian soil since readmission to international sport in 1992. Three of the four wins have been achieved at Subiaco Oval.
- Overall, the two countries have met on 70 occasions, with South Africa winning 43, Australia 26, as well as the one draw.
- South Africa was winning just its third game of 16 on Australian soil in the Tri Nations era.
- The 32 points South Africa scored represented its highest total against Australia in Australia.
- The 20 points scored by Matt Giteau took him to 500 career points just the third Australian, and the 17th player from any country to crack that barrier in Test history. On the night he also advanced beyond the 489 totaled by Stirling Mortlock.



- Giteau's two tries, which was the third time he had achieved that feat against South Africa, also erased Mortlock's name from another record, being the eighth and ninth he had scored against South Africa. Giteau had previously shared the record for tries in Australia-South Africa Tests with Mortlock and Breyton Paulse. Only All Black Christian Cullen (with 10) has scored more Test tries against the Springboks.
- The 20-point haul achieved by Giteau carried his career tally against South Africa from 17 Tests to 111, becoming just the seventh player to surpass a century of points against the Springboks in Tests.
- Jaque Fourie scored his 27th Test try, edging ahead of Breyton Paulse to become South Africa's third most prolific try-scorer in his own right.
- This was just the third success by the away side from the last 20 Tests played by Australia and South Africa.
- It was also the sixth occasion, from the last eight Tests between the two teams, that eight points or less had separated the sides.
- Defeat saw Australia equal its worst ever winning run in Tri Nations, with the six consecutive defeats matching the six matches lost between 2004 and 2006.
- Conversely South Africa equaled its best ever winning sequence of five matches.
- The four tries conceded by Australia were as many as the side had let in through its previous six Tests.
- George Smith played his 103rd Test, becoming the second most capped Wallaby ahead of Stephen Larkham (102). He also tied Gareth Thomas (Wales & the British & Irish Lions) as the fifth most capped player of all-time.
- During the match, Australia brought up the collective milestone of 10,000 points in Test rugby, becoming just the third country to achieve that figure behind France and New Zealand. This was the 498th official Test played by a team representing Australia.

### Mandela Trophy #3

Australia 21, South Africa 6 At Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, 5 September

**For Australia:** Tries by Adam Ashley-Cooper and James O'Connor; conversion, 2 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Matt Giteau.

**For South Africa:** Penalty goal and a dropped goal by Morné Steyn.

**Halftime:** Australia 9, South Africa 6 **Referee:** Wayne Barnes (England) **Goal Kicking:** Matt Giteau 3 from 5

(season: 33 from 44) **Crowd:** 47,481

Man of Gold: Will Genia

Man of the Match: Benn Robinson (Australia)

Australia: James O'Connor, Lachie Turner (replaced by Peter Hynes, 31 min), Adam Ashley-Cooper, Berrick Barnes (replaced by Quade Cooper, 75 min), Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Will Genia, George Smith (captain), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom, Mark Chisholm, James Horwill, Ben Alexander (replaced by Pek Cowan, 76 min), Tatafu Polota-Nau (replaced by Stephen Moore, 33 min), Benn Robinson.

**South Africa:** Ruan Pienaar (replaced by Frans Steyn), Odwa Ndungane, Jaque Fourie, Jean de Villiers, Bryan Habana (replaced by Adrian Jacobs), Morné Steyn, Fourie du Preez, Pierre Spies, Juan Smith, Heinrich Brussow (replaced by Schalk Burger), Bakkies Botha (replaced by Danie Rossouw), Victor Matfield, John Smit (captain), Bismarck du Plessis, Tendai Mtawarira.



#### **Test Notes:**

- This was Australia's seventh consecutive win over South Africa at Brisbane, and it's eighth from 10 matches between the two nations in the city. It was the fourth Test in a row in the city where the Springboks had failed to score a try and South Africa's fifth defeat from five at Suncorp Stadium.
- Skipper George Smith, flyhalf Matt Giteau, flanker Rocky Elsom and lock Mark Chisholm were the only survivors from the Australian side which had beaten South Africa by a record 49-o scoreline at the two team's most recent meeting in Brisbane, three years earlier. The Springboks boasted nine survivors from that evening.
- Australia's success was its first of the 2009 Tri Nations, snapping a record equaling six game losing run in the tournament, which dated back to the team's win over South Africa at Durban in 2008. This was the second time that Australia had broken a sixgame Tri-Nations losing run against South Africa in Brisbane, having achieved the same in 2006.
- The loss was just the second South Africa had sustained from 12 Tests since its defeat against Australia at Durban in 2008, with the previous one coming in the dead third rubber against the British & Irish Lions earlier in 2009, when the Springboks had fielded a much changed team.
- The average age of the Australian starting XV was 23.9 years, with an average of 29 caps per player.
   The average age of the Springbok side on the night was 27.
- This was the 71st meeting between the two countries, and Australia's 27th win, alongside 43 defeats and a draw.
- The win was Australia's 18th from matches played at home, with South Africa having won 14 times while another meeting was drawn.
- George Smith featured in his 104th Test, advancing past Gareth Thomas of Wales and the British & Irish Lions, to become the fifth most capped player in history in his own right.
- Halfback Will Genia and flanker David Pocock made their first run on starts in a Tri Nations match.

- Fullback James O'Connor scored his maiden try in Tri Nations matches.
- Jaque Fourie played his 50th Test for South Africa, the 19th player to do so.
- John Smit played his 89th Test for South Africa, tying ex-skipper Joost van der Westhuizen for the second most Test appearances by a Springbok. Smit led South Africa for a record 63rd time in the match.
- Victor Matfield appeared in his 35th Tri Nations match, which made him the tournament's most capped Springbok, one ahead of Percy Montgomery.
- South Africa was restricted to just one attempt at penalty goal during the match. This was in great contrast to the Springboks' previous Tri Nations outings where they had had nine attempts (v New Zealand at Bloemfontein and Durban), eight (v Australia at Cape Town) and four (v Australia at Perth).
- The six points scored by South Africa flyhalf Morné Steyn took his career tally to 101, accumulated from eight Tests, all played in 2009.

### Bledisloe Cup #3

New Zealand 33, Australia 6 At Westpac Stadium, Wellington, 19 September

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Cory Jane, Ma'a Nonu and Joe Rokocoko; 3 conversions and 4 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For Australia:** Penalty goal by Matt Giteau, dropped goal by Berrick Barnes.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 13, Australia 6 **Referee:** Craig Joubert (South Africa) **Goal Kicking:** Matt Giteau 1 from 2

(season: 34 from 45) **Crowd:** 34,500

Man of Gold: Benn Robinson

Yellow card: Isaia Toeava (New Zealand) 28-38 minutes



New Zealand: Malili Muliaina, Cory Jane (replaced by Hosea Gear), Isaia Toeava, Ma'a Nonu, Joe Rokocoko, Daniel Carter, Jimmy Cowan (replaced by Brendan Leonard), Kieran Read, Richard McCaw (captain), Adam Thomson (replaced by Rodney So'oialo), Brad Thorn, Tom Donnelly (replaced by Jason Eaton), Neemia Tialata (replaced by John Afoa), Andrew Hore (replaced by Aled De Malmanche), Tony Woodcock.

Australia: James O'Connor, Lachie Turner, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Berrick Barnes, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 75 min), George Smith (captain, replaced by Rocky Elsom, 67 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (replaced by Wycliff Palu, 62 min), Mark Chisholm, James Horwill, Ben Alexander, Tatafu Polota-Nau (replaced by Stephen Moore, 52 min), Benn Robinson (replaced by Pek Cowan, 67 min).

- This was the 500th Test match played by a side recognized by the Australian Rugby Union as representing Australia.
- It was also the 159th trans-Tasman Test match, and New Zealand's 109th win.
- New Zealand was recording its 13th win from 20 Tests in Wellington. Australia has won six, while the 1962 match was drawn 9-9.
- George Smith played his 23rd Test against New Zealand, tying Tim Horan and advancing beyond the career tally of appearances (22) against that nation achieved by Stephen Larkham and Phil Kearns. Only two players from any country and they are both Australians: David Campese (29) and George Gregan (27) have played more Tests against New Zealand.
- This was Australia's tenth consecutive defeat on New Zealand soil dating back to 2001, and its six consecutive defeat against the All Blacks at all venues.
- The penalty goal kicked by Matt Giteau allowed him to conclude the Tri Nations with 72 points, which is the most by an Australian in a single competition, eclipsing the 71 accumulated by Stirling Mortlock in 2001.

- For the first time in five Bledisloe Cup matches, New Zealand led at halftime. It was also the first time from six outings in this year's Tri Nations tournament that the All Blacks had led at the break.
- Success meant that the 2009 All Blacks avoided becoming the first side from that nation to lose three Tests in one year on New Zealand soil.
- The win was New Zealand's 11th from 12 matches against Australia when both Richard McCaw and Daniel Carter have been playing.
- Daniel Carter's 18 points took his career statistics to 930, moving him ahead of the Irishman Ronan O'Gara (919) as the fifth highest scorer in Test history.
- The three conversions kicked by Daniel Carter took his tally to 23. This placed him above Andrew Mehrtens and Grant Fox who had previously jointly held the record for the most conversions kicked against Australia with 21.
- All Black fullback Malili Muliaina shared in his 25th win in a Tri Nations match. This set a new record, moving one ahead of his former All Black team-mate Justin Marshall.
- Joe Rokocoko scored his 14th try in Tri Nations matches to move into outright second place, two behind Christian Cullen's competition record of 16.
- Defeat condemned Australia to third place in the Tri Nations for the fourth time – following on from 1996, 1997 and 2005.



#### 2009 Tri-Nations Results

July 18: New Zealand 22, Australia 16

at **Auckland** 

July 25: South Africa 28, New Zealand 19

at **Bloemfontein** 

August 1: South Africa 31, New Zealand 19

at **Durban** 

August 8: South Africa 29, Australia 17

at Cape Town

August 22: New Zealand 19, Australia 18

at **Sydney** 

August 29: South Africa 32, Australia 25

at **Perth** 

September 5: Australia 21, South Africa 6

at **Brisbane** 

September 12: South Africa 32, New Zealand 29

at **Hamilton** 

September 19: New Zealand 33, Australia 6

at Wellington

#### Final Tri-Nations Point's Table

	Pl	Won	Lost	-7	4T	Points
South Africa	6	5	1	-	1	21
New Zealand	6	3	3	1	-	13
Australia	6	1	5	3	-	7

### **Spring Tour 2009**

### **Bledisloe Cup #4**

New Zealand 32, Australia 19 At the National Stadium, Tokyo, 31 October

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Sitiveni Sivivatu and Conrad Smith; 2 conversions and 6 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**For Australia:** Try by Peter Hynes; conversion and 4 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 16, New Zealand 13 **Referee:** Mark Lawrence (South Africa)

Goal Kicking: Matt Giteau 5 from 6 (season: 39 from

51)

**Crowd:** 44,030

Man of Gold: Digby Ioane

**Yellow card:** Sitiveni Sivivatu (New Zealand, 33-43 min)

**New Zealand:** Malili Muliaina, Cory Jane, Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu, Sitiveni Sivivatu, Daniel Carter (replaced by Stephen Donald), Jimmy Cowan, Rodney So'oialo (replaced by Kieran Read), Richard McCaw (captain), Adam Thompson, Tom Donnelly (replaced by Jason Eaton), Brad Thorn, Neemia Tialata (replaced by John Afoa), Andrew Hore, Tony Woodcock.

**Australia:** James O'Connor, Peter Hynes, Ryan Cross, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Digby Ioane, Matt Giteau. Will Genia, Wycliff Palu (replaced by George Smith, 53 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 48 min), James Horwill, Ben Alexander, Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 48 min), Benn Robinson.

- This was the 160th match between teams representing Australia and New Zealand since 1903
  24 of which were played by NSW between 1920 and 1928. New Zealand was enjoying its 110th win. Australia has won 45, with five drawn.
- The win was New Zealand's seventh in succession against Australia, matching the winning run achieved by the 1967-74 and 1995-97 All Black sides.
- This was the fifth occasion from the last six Bledisloe
   Cup matches where New Zealand had trailed at halftime but come from behind to win.
- This was the second Bledisloe Cup Test, and the third game between Australia and New Zealand overall, to have been played on neutral territory.



- As the final game of a four-match series, the Tokyo Test completed the 51st Bledisloe Cup series to have been contested by the two nations since the trophy's introduction in 1931. New Zealand has won 35 of these series, and Australia nine, with seven drawn. Australia's last 'series' success was a 2-0 result in 2001. 2009 represented New Zealand's fifth series success, with three others drawn, in the time since.
- The 14 points accumulated by Matt Giteau took him beyond 100 career points against the All Blacks in his 17th Test against that team. Giteau finished the game on 107, with the 27-year-old becoming just the fourth player in history (& the third Australian) to surpass a century of points against the All Blacks. Earlier in the year, Giteau had become just the seventh player from any country to have surpassed a century of points in Tests against South Africa.
- In converting the try scored by Peter Hynes, Giteau landed his 16th conversion against the All Blacks, tying the record for any player held by the South African, Percy Montgomery. The kick was the 14th conversion Giteau has kicked against New Zealand in succession.
- When Hynes crossed to score Australia's try in the 35th minute, it ended a sequence of 271 minutes of competitive play against the All Blacks where the Wallabies had been held try-less.
- The absence of either George Smith or Phil Waugh from the Australian starting line-up represented the first instance in 111 Tests, going back to the Durban Test against South Africa in 2000, that neither had featured in the run on side.
- Smith appeared as a substitute to play his 24th Test against the All Blacks. This took his career tally beyond that of Tim Horan. Only two players from any country and they are both Australians: David Campese (29) and George Gregan (27) have played more Tests against New Zealand.
- Richard McCaw enjoyed his 16th Test win over Australia, which tied the record held by the ex-All Black leader Sean Fitzpatrick for the most achieved by one player. McCaw has scored six of his 16 Test tries against Australia.

- Daniel Carter's 20 points took his career tally against Australia to 205, making him the second All Black to surpass a double century of points against the Wallabies, while also eclipsing Andrew Mehrtens' previous record mark of 202 points against Australia.
- The last of the six penalty goals kicked by Carter was his 48th in Test matches against Australia, which beat the mark of 47 set by Mehrtens.
- New Zealand's win extended the All Blacks' record to 12 wins from 13 matches against Australia in Tests where they have fielded both Daniel Carter and Richard McCaw. The only time the All Blacks have lost to the Wallabies with both players in the side was at the MCG in 2007.
- This was the 13th win achieved by New Zealand in its last 15 Tests against Australia dating back to 2005.

#### Tour Match #2

Australia 36, Gloucester 5 At Kingsholm, Gloucester, 3 November

**For Australia:** Tries by Drew Mitchell (2), Ryan Cross, Tyrone Smith and Quade Cooper; 4 conversions and a penalty goal by Cooper.

For Gloucester: Try by Freddie Burns

**Halftime:** Australia 17, Gloucester 5 **Referee:** Andrew Small (England) **Goal-kicking:** Quade Cooper 5 from 6

**Crowd:** 16,500

Australia: Kurtley Beale, Lachie Turner, Ryan Cross, Tyrone Smith, Drew Mitchell, Quade Cooper, Luke Burgess, Richard Brown, Matt Hodgson, Mitchell Chapman, Dave Dennis, Dean Mumm (captain), Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by Matt Dunning, 50 min), Tatafu Polota-Nau (replaced by Pek Cowan, 37 min), Sekope Kepu (replaced by Salesi Ma'afu, 71 min).



Gloucester: Freddie Burnes (replaced by James Simpson-Daniel), Charlie Sharples, Henry Trinder (replaced by Jonny May), Tim Molenaar, Tom Voyce, Carlos Spencer, Dave Lewis (replaced by Jordi Pasqualin), Dan Williams (replaced by Apo Satala), Akapusi Qera, Jake Boer (captain), Adam Eustace (replaced by Dave Attwood), Will James, Pierre Capdevielle, Darren Dawiduik (replaced by Ben Phillips), Paul Doran-Jones (replaced by Rupert Harden).

Match Notes:

- Centre Tyrone Smith scored his maiden try for Australia on debut.
- Fullback Kurtley Beale, lock Dave Dennis and prop Salesi Ma'afu also played their first matches for the Wallabies, albeit it in a non-cap fixture.
- Dean Mumm captained Australia for the first time.
- The try scored by Gloucester fullback Freddie Burns proved to be the only five-pointer conceded by Australia from five matches on the British mainland.

#### **Cook Cup**

Australia 18, England 9
At Twickenham, London, 7 November

**For Australia:** Tries by Will Genia and Adam Ashley-Cooper; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For England:** Dropped goal and 2 penalty goals by Jonny Wilkinson.

**Halftime:** England 9, Australia 5 **Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand)

Goal Kicking: Matt Giteau 3 from 4 (season: 42 from

55)

Crowd: 82,000

Man of the match: Will Genia Man of Gold: Will Genia Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes, Digby Ioane (replaced by Ryan Cross, 66 min), Quade Cooper, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Will Genia, Wycliff Palu (replaced by David Pocock, 68 min), George Smith, Rocky Elsom (captain), Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 72 min), James Horwill, Ben Alexander (replaced by Matt Dunning, 77 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 59 min), Benn Robinson.

**England:** Ugo Moyne, Mark Cueto, Dan Hipkiss (replaced by Ayoola Erinle, 66 min), Shane Geraghty, Matt Banahan, Jonny Wilkinson, Danny Care, Jordan Crane (replaced by James Haskell, 53 min), Lewis Moody, Tom Croft, Steve Borthwick (captain), Louis Deacon (replaced by Courtney Laws, 68 min), David Wilson (replaced by Duncan Bell, 58 min), Steve Thompson (replaced by Dylan Hartley, 56 min), Tim Payne.

- This was the 20th meeting between Australia and England on English soil, and the Wallabies' ninth success, but the first time that Australia had ever won consecutive games in England, following on from last year's 28-14 victory at Twickenham.
- It was also the first time Australia had trailed at halftime but come back to win a Test match for 31 games, since the 25-17 win over South Africa at Sydney in 2007.
- In matches played away from Australia, it was the first time the Wallabies had over-turned a halftime deficit for 39 Tests, going back to a win over Italy at Rome in 2006.
- This was the 37th Test match overall between the two countries, and Australia's 22nd win.
- Will Genia scored his maiden Test try and also won the man of the match award.
- Fullback Adam Ashley-Cooper, who scored Australia's second try, had been the team's sole try-scorer in the corresponding win 12 months earlier.



- Flanker George Smith advanced ahead of Chris Latham, with 12, as the second most capped Australian player against England, behind George Gregan who featured on 16 occasions.
- Digby loane featured in his sixth Test, but started at centre for the first time. He also combined in the Australian midfield with his Queensland team-mate Quade Cooper for the first time. Cooper was starting his second Test at inside centre.
- Australia's nine-point margin of victory represented its fifth biggest from the nine wins in matches against England in England.
- Jonny Wilkinson appeared in his 71st Test for England, but his first November series international since 2002.
- This was the first time that Jonny Wilkinson had featured in a losing England side against Australia in the last seven Test matches he had played against the Wallabies.
- The selections of Jonny Wilkinson and veteran hooker Steve Thompson saw the pair re-united on the field by England for the first time since the 2003 Rugby World Cup final.

### **Lansdowne Cup**

Australia 20, Ireland 20 At Croke Park, Dublin, 15 November

**For Australia:** Tries by Drew Mitchell and Rocky Elsom; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For Ireland:** Tries by Tommy Bowe and Brian O'Driscoll; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Ronan O'Gara.

Halftime: Australia 10, Ireland 6

**Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa) **Goal Kicking:** Matt Giteau 4 from 6

(season: 46 from 61) **Crowd:** 69,688

Man of the match: David Pocock
Man of Gold: David Pocock

Yellow card: Wycliff Palu (29-39 min)

**Australia**: Adam Ashley-Cooper (replaced by James O'Connor, 68 min), Peter Hynes, Digby Ioane, Quade Cooper, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Will Genia, Wycliff Palu, David Pocock (temporarily replaced by George Smith, 20-27 min), Rocky Elsom (captain), Mark Chisholm, James Horwill, Ben Alexander, Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 60min), Benn Robinson.

Ireland: Rob Kearney, Tommy Bowe, Brian O'Driscoll (captain), Paddy Wallace, Luke Fitzgerald (replaced by Keith Earls), Ronan O'Gara, Tomas O'Leary, Jamie Heaslip, David Wallace (temporarily replaced by Denis Leamy), Stephen Ferris (replaced by Denis Leamy), Paul O'Connell, Donncha O'Callaghan, John Hayes, Jerry Flannery, Cian Healy.

- This is the 28th Test match to have been played between teams representing Australia and Ireland but the first to be drawn. The last six Tests played by the two countries in Ireland had all blown out by margins of nine points or more.
- It was also only the 15th drawn outcome from 503 Test matches played by teams recognized as representing Australia.
- This was Australia's maiden appearance at Croke Park, the home of the Gaelic Football Association in Ireland. It was the 10th Test played by Ireland at the venue, and the first to be drawn, alongside six home wins and three defeats.
- In failing to win, Australia was frustrated for the third time in its last four visits to Ireland, having lost Tests in 2006 (6-21) and 2002 (9-18) while prevailing 30-15 in 2005.
- Irish captain Brian O'Driscoll, who scored the match-tying try in the final minute of play, became the 11th player to appear in 100th Tests – 94 for Ireland and six for the British & Irish Lions.
   It was his record ninth Test appearance against Australia.



- In featuring briefly off the bench, George Smith made his eighth Test appearance against Ireland, making him the second most capped Wallaby in this clash, behind George Gregan who played Ireland nine times.
- By avoiding defeat, Ireland the 2009 Six Nations Grand Slam champions – extended their run of unbeaten matches to nine, dating back 12 months, having sustained their most recent loss exactly a year to the day earlier against New Zealand.
- Prop Cian Healy made his Test debut.
- On the other side of the front-row, John Hayes was featuring in his record 95th Test for Ireland, one in advance of the 94 Irish Test caps gathered by Brian O'Driscoll.
- Rocky Elsom scored the eighth try of his Test career, but his first as captain in his third Test as leader.
- Drew Mitchell scored the 18th try of his Test career, but the first since the Bledisloe Cup Test in Hong Kong that opened the 2008 Spring Tour. It was his third try against Ireland after he scored two during the win in Dublin in 2005.
- The try Mitchell scored was the first achieved by Australia in the first half of a Test match in Ireland for six matches.

#### **Hopetoun Cup**

Scotland 9, Australia 8 At Murrayfield Stadium, Edinburgh, 22 November

**For Scotland**: 2 penalty goals by Phil Godman; dropped goal by Chris Paterson.

**For Australia:** Try by Ryan Cross; penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Scotland 3, Australia 3 **Referee:** Romain Poite (France) **Goal Kicking:** Matt Giteau 1 from 4

(season: 47 from 65) **Crowd:** 40.000

Man of the match: Phil Godman (Scotland)

Man of Gold: Wycliff Palu

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes, Ryan Cross, Quade Cooper (replaced by James O'Connor, 73 min), Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 62 min), Wycliff Palu (replaced by Richard Brown, 65 min), George Smith, Rocky Elsom (captain), Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 49 min), James Horwill, Ben Alexander, Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota Nau, 45 min), Benn Robinson (replaced by Sekope Kepu, 16 min).

**Scotland:** Rory Lamont, Sean Lamont, Alex Grove, Graeme Morrison (replaced by Nick De Luca), Simon Danielli (replaced by Chris Paterson), Phil Godman, Chris Cusiter (captain, replaced by Rory Lawson), Johnnie Beattie (replaced by Richie Vernon), John Barclay, Alasdair Strokosch (replaced by Jason White), Alastair Kellock, Nathan Hines, Moray Low (replaced by Kyle Traynor), Ross Ford (replaced by Dougie Hall), Allan Jacobsen.

- Scotland beat Australia for the first time since 1982, ending a sequence of 16 straight defeats through 27 years. In doing so, it won the Hopetoun Cup for the first time.
- The defeat was Australia's seventh on Scottish soil, as opposed to nine wins. The loss snapped a streak of eight consecutive Australian wins in Scotland.
- It was also just Scotland's second win from 46 matches against the three major Southern Hemisphere nations since the Tri Nations was introduced in 1996. The other came 21-6 against South Africa in 2002.
- The win was Scotland's 120th from the 233 Test matches it has played at Murrayfield.
- The eight points scored by Australia was its lowest tally from its last 16 Tests against Scotland, and its fifth lowest from the 25 Test matches played between the two countries.



- George Smith played his eighth Test against Scotland, joining Joe Roff and George Gregan as the second most capped Australian players against that country. Stephen Larkham holds the record, having played Scotland nine times.
- Playing in his 97th Test match, Chris Paterson kicked his second dropped goal against Australia, tying the Scottish record against the Wallabies that was previously solely held by ex-flyhalf John Rutherford.

Cardiff Blues: Ben Blair (replaced by Ceri Sweeney), Richard Mustoe, Gareth Thomas (replaced by Gavin Evans), Dafydd Hewitt, Chris Czekaj, Sam Norton-Knight, Gareth Cooper (replaced by Richie Rees), Xavier Rush (captain), Ben White (replaced by Robin Sowden Taylor), Sam Warburton, Scott Morgan (replaced by Paul Tito), Deiniol Jones, Gary Powell (replaced by Sam Hobbs), T Rhys Thomas (replaced by Rhys Williams), Taufa'au Filise (replaced by Gary Powell).

#### **Tour Match #6**

Australia 31, Cardiff Blues 3 At Cardiff City Stadium, 24 November

**For Australia:** Tries by Kurtley Beale (2), Ryan Cross and Luke Morahan; 4 conversions and a penalty goal by James O'Connor.

For Cardiff Blues: Penalty goal by Ben Blair.

Halftime: Australia 17, Cardiff Blues 3

**Referee:** James Jones (Wales)

Goal-kicking: James O'Connor 5 from 5

Crowd: 14,622

Yellow cards: Richard Brown (Australia), 50-60 min;

Matt Hodgson (Australia), 68-78 min.

Australia: James O'Connor, Lachie Turner, Ryan Cross (replaced by Luke Morahan, 62 min), Tyrone Smith, Kurtley Beale, Matt Toomua (replaced by Quade Cooper, 2 min), Luke Burgess (replaced by Richard Kingi, 75 min), Richard Brown, Matt Hodgson, Mitchell Chapman (replaced by George Smith, 36 min), Dave Dennis, Dean Mumm (captain), Sekope Kepu (replaced by Matt Dunning, 60 min), Tatafu Polota-Nau (replaced by Pekahou Cowan, 62 min), Pekahou Cowan (replaced by Salesi Ma'afu, 35 min).

#### **Match Notes:**

- Matt Toomua, Luke Morahan and Richard Kingi played their first matches at senior level for Australia.
- Kurtley Beale and Luke Morahan scored their first tries for Australia, the latter with his first touch of the ball.
- The Smith brothers Tyrone and George, appeared on the field for Australia together for the first time.
- This was the Cardiff Blues' first appearance against an international team since the club was formed in 2003. It's fore-runner; Cardiff RFC had never lost to Australia, beating touring teams in 1908, 1947, 1957, 1966, 1975 and the 1984 Grand Slam-winning Australian side.
- This was Australia's first match against a Welsh club side since losing 16-24 to the Neath-Swansea Ospreys in 2006.
- The home line-up featured the 2007 Wallaby Sam Norton-Knight, and 11 full internationals in total. The Australian starting XV boasted nine players with Test experience.
- Australia appeared at the Cardiff City Stadium for the first time; the ground having been opened earlier in the year.



### **James Bevan Trophy**

Australia 33, Wales 12 At Millennium Stadium, Cardiff, 28 November

**For Australia:** Tries by Digby Ioane, David Pocock, James Horwill and Tatafu Polota-Nau; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For Wales:** Penalty goals by Stephen Jones (3) and Leigh Halfpenny.

**Halftime:** Australia 23, Wales 12 **Referee:** Wayne Barnes (England)

Goal Kicking: Matt Giteau 5 from 7 (season: 52 from

72 – 72%) **Crowd:** 74**,**339

Man of the match: Matt Giteau Man of Gold: Matt Giteau

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, Peter Hynes (replaced by James O'Connor, 60 min), Digby Ioane, Quade Cooper, Drew Mitchell (replaced by Kurtley Beale, 70 min), Matt Giteau, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 79 min), Wycliff Palu (replaced by Wycliff Palu, 70 min), David Pocock (replaced by George Smith, 40 min), Rocky Elsom (captain), Dean Mumm, James Horwill, Ben Alexander (replaced by Matt Dunning, 70 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota Nau, 55 min), Benn Robinson.

**Wales:** James Hook, Leigh Halfpenny (replaced by Andrew Bishop), Jamie Roberts, Jonathan Davies, Shane Williams (replaced by Tom James), Stephen Jones, Dwayne Peel (replaced by Martin Roberts), Andy Powell, Martyn Williams, Dan Lydiate, Luke Charteris (replaced by Jonathan Thomas), Alun Wyn-Jones, Paul James (replaced by Duncan Jones), Matthew Rees (replaced by Huw Bennett), Gethin Jenkins.

- This was the 29th meeting between Australia and Wales, and Australia's 18th win, alongside 10 defeats and a draw.
- Australia reclaimed the James Bevan Trophy, winning it for the second time since its inauguration in 2007, but the first time away from home.
- Australia registered its 10th win on Welsh soil. It has lost eight times, while the 2006 clash was drawn 29-29.
- This was just Australia's second win from its last five visits to Cardiff.
- Australia's 21-point winning margin represented its second biggest in Tests against Wales in Cardiff, eclipsed only by the 35-point destruction administered during the 1991 Rugby World Cup.
- The 33 points Australia scored was its second biggest tally from Tests against Wales in Cardiff.
- Kurtley Beale became the 836th player to appear for Australia in Tests.
- David Pocock scored his first Test try.
- Digby Ioane posted the third try of his Test career, and they have all been scored against Wales. Only Chris Latham (5) and Michael Lynagh (4) have more tries for Australia against Wales.
- The 13 points scored by Matt Giteau enabled him to become the third Australian player to surpass 550 Test points. He completed the Test with 562 to his name, 153 of which had been scored throughout 2009 which he finished as Test rugby's leading point-scorer for the year.
- Just six of the players in Qantas Wallabies starting line-up had also appeared in the run on side 12 months earlier, when Wales beat Australia 21-18. Those players were Digby Ioane, Drew Mitchell, Peter Hynes, Matt Giteau, Stephen Moore and Benn Robinson. Mitchell (who played fullback) and Ioane (wing) were in different positions a year on.
- This was the third time in four Home Unions Tests on the Spring tour that Australia had kept its tryline intact. Ireland was the only side through Great Britain and Ireland able to score a try against the Wallabies.
- Jonathan Thomas became the 24th Welshman to win 50 caps for his country.



# **2009 Test Appearances**

(table excludes Australia versus Barbarians match)

(Overall Test career appear	ances in brac	kets)
Ben Alexander	14	(18)
Adam Ashley-Cooper	14	(37)
Berrick Barnes	8	(21)
Al Baxter	5	(69)
Kurtley Beale	1	(1)
Richard Brown	7	(12)
Luke Burgess	10	(21)
Mark Chisholm	8	(48)
Quade Cooper	8	(11)
Pek Cowan	3	(3)
Ryan Cross	3	(18)
Matt Dunning	2	(45)
Rocky Elsom	9	(49)
Will Genia	11	(11)
Matt Giteau	13	(78)
James Horwill	14	(24)
Peter Hynes	9	(22)
Digby Ioane	4	(8)
Sekope Kepu	1	(3)
Peter Kimlin	2	(2)
Drew Mitchell	12	(41)
Stephen Moore	13	(46)
Stirling Mortlock	4	(80)
Dean Mumm	9	(19)
James O'Connor	4	(14)
Wycliff Palu	8	(36)
David Pocock	13	(15)
Tatafu Polata-Nau	13	(23)
Benn Robinson	13	(31)
George Smith	13	(110)
Lachie Turner	9	(11)

2009 Test Point-scoring (table excludes Australia versus Barbarians match)

	Tries	Con	Pen	DG	Total	[Test Career]
Matt Giteau	5	17	31	1	153	[562]
James O'Connor	4	2	1	-	27	[27]
Adam Ashley- Cooper	5	-	-	-	25	[60]
Berrick Barnes	1	1	-	2	13	[35]
Lachie Turner	2	-	-	-	10	[15]
Ryan Cross	2	-	-	-	10	[30]
Tatafu Polota- Nau	2	-	-	-	10	[10]
Rocky Elsom	1	-	-	-	5	[40]
Will Genia	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
James Horwill	1	-	-	-	5	[25]
Peter Hynes	1	-	-	-	5	[20]
Digby loane	1	-	-	-	5	[15]
Drew Mitchell	1	-	-	-	5	[90]
Stirling Mortlock	1	-	-	-	5	[489]
David Pocock	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
Totals	29	20	32	3	352	

Opposition sides scored 15 tries, 12 conversions, 44 penalty goals and 4 dropped goals



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### **BUNDABERG RED RUGBY SERIES**

Australia 49, Fiji 3 At Canberra Stadium, 5 June, 2010

**For Australia:** Tries by Kurtley Beale (2), Digby Ioane (2), Drew Mitchell, Richard Brown and Quade Cooper; six conversions by Matt Giteau, conversion by Cooper.

For Fiji: Penalty goal by Taniela Rawaqa.

**Halftime:** Australia 14, Fiji 3 **Referee:** Peter Fitzgibbon (Ireland)

Goal-kicking: Matt Giteau 6 from 6, Quade Cooper 1

from 1

Crowd: 15,438

Man of gold: Nathan Sharpe

Australia: Kurtley Beale, Digby Ioane, Rob Horne (temporarily replaced by Drew Mitchell 20-30 min), Matt Giteau, Adam Ashley-Cooper (replaced by Drew Mitchell, 54 min), Quade Cooper, Luke Burgess, Richard Brown, David Pocock (replaced by Matt Hodgson, 60 min), Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Dean Mumm, Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by Pekahou Cowan, 50 min), Huia Edmonds (replaced by Saia Faingaa, 55 min), Ben Alexander (replaced by Salesi Ma'afu, 60 min).

**Fiji:** Taniela Rawaqa, Sireli Bobo, Rupeni Caucaunibuca (replaced by Nemani Nadolo, 65 min), Saula Radidi (replaced by Ropate Ratu, 54 min), Timoci Nagusa, Waisea Luveniyali (replaced by Vitori Buatave, 68 min), Emosi Vucago, Jone Qovu, Jimilai Naikadawa (temporarily replaced by Samu Bola, 8-16 min, replaced by Bola, 65 min), Anthony Wise (replaced by Rupeni Nasiga, 54 min), Sekonaia Qaraniqio, Dominiko Waqaniburotu, Deacon Manu (captain), Tuapati Talemaitoga (replaced by Viliame Veikoso, 74 min), Campese Ma'afu (replaced by Graham Dewes, 73 min).

- This was the 19th official Test between Australia and Fiji and Australia's 16th win, the last 12 of which have been achieved consecutively between 1972 and 2010.
- The 46-point winning margin achieved by the Qantas Wallabies represented Australia's second biggest winning margin against Fiji, tying that secured during a 66-20 success at Parramatta in 1998.
- Rocky Elsom led Australia on home soil for the first time while also becoming the 31st player to reach 50 Test appearances for the Qantas Wallabies.
- Brothers Salesi and Campese Ma'afu became just the fourth pair of brothers to oppose each other in Test history, but the first to do so when both were making their international debuts. A third brother in the family is a Tongan Sevens representative. The Ma'afu boys followed in the footsteps of Tana and Mike Umaga (New Zealand v Samoa, 1999), Pita and Tony Alatini (New Zealand v Tonga, 2000) and Stephen and Graeme Bachop (Samoa v Japan, 1999 Rugby World Cup).
- Huia Edmonds, Salesi Ma'afu and Rob Horne became Wallabies number 837, 838 and 839 respectively. They were later joined from the bench by Saia Faingaa and Matt Hodgson who became Wallabies 840 and 841.
- When Hodgson took the field, he became the 21st player to have been introduced to Test matches since Robbie Deans took over as Qantas Wallabies coach at the beginning of the 2008 Test programme.
- The five players on debut from 18 players used on the night – represented more than a quarter of the match night squad. It was also the most players Deans had introduced to his team in a single Test match.



- Saia Faingaa's debut Test appearance came on the same day as his 19-year-old brother Colby represented Australia against Scotland as an openside flanker at the Under-20 World Cup in Argentina. Saia's twin-brother Anthony featured at inside centre for the Australian Barbarians against England in Perth three days later.
- The win represented Australia's fifth from as many Test matches in Canberra since first playing an international at the ground in 1998.
- Huia Edmonds joined his brother Manny as a Wallaby, making his debut at the same ground as his older brother, 12 years later. Manny Edmonds, who played two Tests for Australia, made his debut during the inaugural Test that was played in Canberra, against Tonga in 1998.
- After coming from the bench, Drew Mitchell scored his fourth try in Tests against Fiji, following a hattrick during the teams' previous meeting at the 2007 Rugby World Cup. Mitchell's four tries tied the Australian record for tries against Fiji held by John Ryan.
- By scoring 12 points, Matt Giteau became Australia's second leading point-scorer in Tests against Fiji with 39. He surpassed the 32 recorded by David Knox and has just the 48 compiled by Paul McLean ahead of him.
- The six conversions goaled by Giteau took his career tally against Fiji to 10, edging ahead of the nine kicked by John Eales for the most by an Australian player against Fiji.
- Kurtley Beale scored his first two tries for Australia in his run on debut, after playing from the bench on Test debut against Wales at the end of 2009. James O'Connor had scored three tries from fullback in his run on debut at the same ground 12 months earlier against Italy.
- Richard Brown scored his maiden Test try.

### Tour Match #1

Australian Barbarians 28, England 28 At ME Bank Stadium, Perth, 8 June, 2010

For the Australian Barbarians: 3 tries by James O'Connor; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by O'Connor, penalty goal by Berrick Barnes.

**For England:** Tries by Dan Ward-Smith, Matt Banahan and Lee Mears; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Olly Barkley.

Halftime: Australian Barbarians 18, England 13

Referee: Stuart Dickinson (Australia)

Crowd: 8019

**Goal-kicking:** James O'Connor (Australian Barbarians) 4 from 5, Berrick Barnes (Australian Barbarians) 1 from 2; Olly Barkley (England) 5 from 7.

**Yellow card:** Laurie Weeks (Australian Barbarians) 68-78 min

Australian Barbarians: James O'Connor (replaced by Peter Hynes, 47 min), Nick Cummins, Will Chambers, Anthony Faingaa, Lachie Turner, Berrick Barnes (cocaptain), Josh Valentine, Stephen Hoiles (co-captain, temporarily replaced by Pekahou Cowan, 68-78 min), Matt Hodgson (replaced by Pat McCutcheon, 50 min), Ben McCalman, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Mitchell Chapman, 60 min), Mitchell Chapman (replaced by Kane Douglas, 51 min), Laurie Weeks, Huia Edmonds (replaced by Damien Fitzpatrick, 57 min), Pekahou Cowan (replaced by James Slipper, 40 min).

**England:** Delon Armitage (replaced by Dominic Waldouck, 57 min), Matt Banahan, Matthew Tait, Olly Barkley, Ugo Monye, Charlie Hodgson (replaced by Shane Geraghty, 70 min), Richard Wigglesworth (replaced by Paul Hodgson, 57 min), Dan Ward-Smith, Hendre Fourie (replaced by Joe Worsley, 40 min), Chris Robshaw (captain), Geoff Parling, Dave Attwood (replaced by Courtney Laws, 60 min), David Wilson (replaced by Paul Doran-Jones, 57 min), Lee Mears, David Flatman.



#### **Match Notes:**

- James O'Connor's hat-trick was his second in international play in the space of a year, after he scored three tries for Australia against Italy in Canberra in June 2009.
- The three tries scored by O'Connor all came within the space of 19 minutes. He was only on the field of play for 47 minutes in total.
- The Australian Barbarians fielded nine players who were uncapped at international level.
- England scored two tries and 12 points while the Australian Barbarians front-rower Laurie Weeks was in the sin-bin between the 68-78 minutes. The score was 25-16 to the Barbarians when Weeks departed, and 28-28 when he returned to the field.
- Australian Barbarians flyhalf and co-captain Berrick Barnes missed a long range penalty goal attempt after the siren which would have won the game for his side.
- This was the first international match to be played at ME Bank Stadium – the Western Force's new home in Super Rugby.

### Cook Cup #1

Australia 27, England 17
At Subiaco Oval, Perth, 12 June, 2010

**For Australia:** Tries by Quade Cooper (2) and Rocky Elsom; 3 conversions and a penalty goal by James O'Connor, penalty goal by Cooper.

**For England:** 2 penalty tries; 2 conversions and a penalty goal by Toby Flood.

**Halftime:** Australia 14, England o **Referee:** Nigel Owens (Wales)

Goal-kicking: James O'Connor 4 from 5, Quade Cooper

1 from 1 (season: 2 from 2).

Crowd: 32,228

Man of gold: Luke Burgess

Australia: James O'Connor (replaced by Kurtley Beale, 74 min), Digby Ioane, Rob Horne, Berrick Barnes, Drew Mitchell, Quade Cooper, Luke Burgess, Richard Brown (temporarily replaced by Ben Daley, 67-77 min), David Pocock (replaced by Matt Hodgson, 78 min), Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Dean Mumm (replaced by Mark Chisholm, 69 min), Salesi Ma'afu, Saia Faingaa (replaced by Huia Edmonds, 76 min), Ben Daley (replaced by James Slipper, 65 min).

**England:** Ben Foden, Mark Cueto, Mike Tindall (replaced by Jonny Wilkinson, 73 min), Shontayne Hape, Chris Ashton, Toby Flood (replaced by Matthew Tait, 79 min), Danny Care (replaced by Ben Youngs, 59 min), Nick Easter, Lewis Moody (captain, replaced by James Haskell, 66 min), Tom Croft, Simon Shaw (replaced by Courtney Laws, 60 min), Tom Palmer, Dan Cole, Steve Thompson (replaced by George Chuter, 69 min), Tim Payne (replaced by David Wilson, 68 min).

- This was the 38th Test match between Australia and England and Australia's 23rd success. England had won 14 while the 1997 contest in London resulted in a 15-15 draw.
- The win was the 14th Australia had enjoyed from 16 matches played between the two countries on Australian soil.
- Props Ben Daley and replacement James Slipper became the 842nd and 843rd players to appear for Australia in Test matches.
- Between them, at the start of the game, the Australian front row (including the two replacement players) boasted a mere three previous Test appearances between them, and they had all been earned the previous weekend against Fiji.
- In winning his 81st cap, lock Nathan Sharpe became the seventh most capped Australian player in his own right, moving a head of Tim Horan and Stirling Mortlock.



- This was Australia's third consecutive Test win over England, following wins in London in 2008 and 2009. It represented just the third instance where Australia had achieved three straight, following on from 1984 and 1988 (when Australia won a record four consecutive games) and between 1998 and 1999 (when it won three straight).
- Just three of the players in the Australian starting XV had also featured in the run on XV when Australia beat England 18-9 in London the previous November. The survivors from that starting combination were Rocky Elsom, Drew Mitchell and Quade Cooper.
- This was Australia's seventh win from the 11 Tests it had played in Perth, with another being drawn, while the three defeats were all sustained against South Africa.
- England was suffering its first defeat at Subiaco Oval. Its only previous appearances at the ground had been during the victorious 2003 Rugby World Cup campaign where a side led by current coach Martin Johnson beat both Georgia (84-6) and South Africa (25-6).

# Tour Match #2

England 15, Australian Barbarians 9
At Central Coast Stadium, Gosford, 15 June

For England: Penalty goals by Olly Barkley (3) and Charlie Hodgson (2).

For the Australian Barbarians: 3 penalty goals by Berrick Barnes.

Halftime: England 6, Australian Barbarians 6

Referee: Steve Walsh

Crowd: 9053

**Goal-kicking:** Olly Barkley (England) 3 from 3, Charlie Hodgson (England) 2 from 3, Berrick Barnes (Australian

Barbarians) 3 from 5.

Australian Barbarians: Peter Hynes, Nick Cummins, Will Chambers (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 14 min), Anthony Fainga'a, Lachie Turner, Kurtley Beale, Josh Valentine, Stephen Hoiles (captain), Pat McCutcheon (replaced by Matt Hodgson, 48 min), Ben McCalman, Rob Simmons (replaced by Mark Chisholm, 42 min), Mitchell Chapman, Laurie Weeks (replaced by James Slipper, 48 min), Tatafu Polota-Nau (replaced by Huia Edmonds, 41 min), Pekahou Cowan (replaced by Tatafu Polota-Nau, 69 min).

**England:** Delon Armitage, David Strettle, Dominic Waldouck (replaced by Matthew Tait), Olly Barkley, Matt Banahan, Charlie Hodgson (replaced by Shane Geraghty), Richard Wigglesworth (replaced by Paul Hodgson), James Haskell (replaced by Phil Dowson), Steffon Armitage, Joe Worsley (captain), Dan Ward-Smith, Dave Attwood, Paul Doran-Jones, Lee Mears (replaced by Rob Webber), Jon Golding (replaced by David Flatman).

#### **Match Notes:**

This was England's first win from three appearances in their five match tour, and their first win on Australian soil since the 2003 Rugby World Cup final.

England winger Matt Banahan was subsequently suspended for two weeks for a dangerous tackle on Australian Barbarians replacement inside centre Berrick Barnes.

The match was the first international fixture to be hosted by Gosford's Central Coast Stadium since Australia A beat the touring British & Irish Lions in 2001. Australian Barbarians assistant coaches Jim Williams and Richard Graham both featured as players in the 2001 Australia A side.



# Cook Cup #2

England 21, Australia 20 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, 19 June

**For Australia:** 2 tries, 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For England:** Tries by Ben Youngs and Chris Ashton; conversion and 2 penalty goals by Toby Flood, penalty goal by Jonny Wilkinson.

**Halftime:** England 15, Australia 13 **Referee:** Romain Poite (France)

**Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 4 from 8 (season: 10 from 16), Toby Flood 3 from 5, Jonny Wilkinson 1 from 2.

Crowd: 48,392

Man of gold: David Pocock

Australia: James O'Connor, Drew Mitchell, Rob Horne, Matt Giteau, Digby Ioane (replaced by Adam Ashley-Cooper, 63 min), Quade Cooper, Will Genia, Richard Brown, David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Dean Mumm (replaced by Mark Chisholm, 54 min), Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by James Slipper, 53 min), Saia Fainga'a (replaced by Huia Edmonds, 72 min), Ben Daley.

**England:** Ben Foden, Mark Cueto, Mike Tindall (replaced by Jonny Wilkinson, 68 min), Shontayne Hape, Chris Ashton, Toby Flood, Ben Youngs (replaced by Danny Care, 68 min), Nick Easter, Lewis Moody, Tom Croft, Courtney Laws (replaced by Simon Shaw, 58 min), Tom Palmer, Dan Cole, Steve Thompson (replaced by George Chuter, 70 mino, Tim Payne (temporarily replaced by David Wilson, 70 min).

### **Test Notes:**

• This was the 39th Test match between Australia and England and the 15th win attained by England, as aside 23 defeats while the 1997 contest in London resulted in a 15-15 draw.

- The win was just England's third from 17 appointments on Australian soil, with the previous two both having occurred in 2003. Current manager Martin Johnson and backline replacement Jonny Wilkinson featured as part of the England set-up on all three occasions, Johnson as captain in 2003 and manager seven years later.
- It was England's first win over any of the Tri-Nations powers since it beat Australia 12-10 in the 2007 Rugby World Cup quarter-final, and the first win away to any of the Tri-Nations teams since the 20-17 extra time win over Australia in the 2003 Rugby World Cup final.
- Defeat ended Australia's run of consecutive wins over England at three for the second time, having once won four in a row.
- For the third Test in a row at Sydney's ANZ Stadium, Matt Giteau was Australia's sole point-scorer. His 20 points followed up hauls of 22 and 18 against France and New Zealand respectively in 2009.
- The loss was just the sixth that Australia had suffered from 27 Tests at the Olympic Stadium in Homebush Bay, having won 21 of them. England was prevailing at the venue for a second time, with New Zealand having won the other four matches that have fallen the way of the visiting team.
- Matt Giteau played his 8oth Test match, tying Tim Horan and Stirling Mortlock as the eighth most capped Wallaby player.
- By appearing off the bench as a replacement, Mark Chisholm became the 32nd player, and just the fifth second-rower to reach 50 Tests for Australia. Not all of Chisholm's caps had been earned as a lock, also having operated on the blindside flank.
- The win snapped the third three-game winning streak that Australia has had in this rivalry, being England's first success since a 12-10 win in the 2007 Rugby World Cup quarter-final.
- Australia finished the Test having scored 99 tries in all games against England.
- Although England's success squared the two-match series, Australia retained the Cook Cup by virtue of being the holders prior to kick off in the two Tests.



# **Lansdowne Cup**

Australia 22, Ireland 15 At Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, 26 June

**For Australia:** Tries by Luke Burgess and Quade Cooper; penalty goals by Cooper (2) and Matt Giteau (2).

For Ireland: 5 penalty goals by Jonathan Sexton.

**Halftime:** Australia 16, Ireland 15 **Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand)

Goal-kicking: Matt Giteau 2 from 3 (season: 12 from

19), Quade Cooper 2 from 5 (season: 4 from 7).

Crowd: 45,498

Man of gold: Quade Cooper

Australia: James O'Connor, Drew Mitchell, Rob Horne (replaced by Kurtley Beale, 40 min), Matt Giteau, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Quade Cooper, Luke Burgess, Richard Brown, David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Dean Mumm, Salesi Ma'afu, Saia Fainga'a, Ben Daley (replaced by James Slipper, 54 min).

Ireland: Rob Kearney, Tommy Bowe, Brian O'Driscoll (captain), Paddy Wallace, Andrew Trimble, Jonathan Sexton, Tomas O'Leary, Chris Henry, Shane Jennings, Niall Ronan, Mick O'Driscoll, Donncha O'Callaghan, Tony Buckley, Sean Cronin, Cian Healy.

### **Test Notes:**

- This was the 29th Test match to have been played between teams representing Australia and Ireland and Australia's 20th win; 10 of which have been achieved on home soil. Ireland has won eight with the 2009 match drawn 20-20 in Dublin.
- The win was Australia's 10th in succession on home soil against Ireland after losing the first three matches played against that side in Australia.
- This was the 18th Test played by Australia at the stadium now known as Suncorp Stadium, and its 14th success from those matches.

- The loss was Ireland's third from four Tests in Brisbane, having won on its debut 27-12 in 1979, before being beaten on subsequent visits, 13-33 in 1994 and 10-46 five years later. This was Ireland's first appearance at Suncorp Stadium.
- Halfback Luke Burgess scored his maiden Test try, in his 24th international.
- Matt Giteau featured in his 81st Test match, advancing ahead of Tim Horan and Stirling Mortlock to become the eighth most capped Wallaby player in his own right.
- Ireland had most recently appeared in Australia in June 2008 where the Qantas Wallabies prevailed 18-12 in what was coach Robbie Deans' first Test in charge. Just four of the Australian starting XV from that night Adam Ashley-Cooper, Matt Giteau, Luke Burgess and Rocky Elsom were in the run on line-up two years later.
- The win retained for Australia the Lansdowne Cup for the third match in succession.

### **BUNDABERG RED TRI NATIONS SERIES**

### Mandela Plate #1

Australia 30, South Africa 13 At Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, 24 July

**For Australia:** Tries by Drew Mitchell and Will Genia; conversion and a penalty goal by James O'Connor, 5 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaque Fourie and Gurthro Steenkamp; penalty goal by Morné Steyn.

**Halftime:** Australia 17, South Africa 3 **Referee:** George Clancy (Ireland)

**Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 5 from 7 (season: 17 from 24), James O'Connor 2 from 2 (season: 6 from 7)

Crowd: 44,284

Man of Gold: Rocky Elsom



**Yellow cards:** Jaque Fourie (South Africa) 2-12 min, BJ Botha (South Africa) 45-55 min, Quade Cooper (Australia) 53-63 min.

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, James O'Connor, Rob Horne, Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 72 min), Drew Mitchell, Quade Cooper, Will Genia, Richard Brown (replaced by Ben McCalman, 69 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Dean Mumm (replaced by Rob Simmons, 67 min), Salesi Ma'afu, Saia Faingaa (replaced by Stephen Moore, 53 min), Benn Robinson (replaced by James Slipper, 58 min).

**South Africa:** Zane Kirchner, Gio Aplon, Jaque Fourie, Wynand Olivier (replaced by Francois Hougaard, 53 min), Bryan Habana, Morné Steyn (replaced by Juan de Jongh, 53 min), Ruan Pienaar (replaced by Butch James, 71 min), Pierre Spies (temporarily replaced by CJ van der Linde, 49-55 min), Ryan Kankowski, Schalk Burger, Victor Matfield, Danie Rossouw (replaced by Flip van der Merwe, 67 min), BJ Botha (replaced by CJ van der Linde, 67 min), John Smit (captain, replaced by Chiliboy Ralepelle, 71 min), Gurthro Steenkamp.

#### **Test Notes:**

- This was the 11th appearance by the Springboks in Brisbane and their ninth defeat, the last eight of which had come in succession.
- The win was Australia's 28th from 72 meetings against South Africa, with the Springboks having won 43, and one game drawn.
- Rob Simmons and Ben McCalman became the 844th and 845th Wallabies respectively. The pair became the 24th and 25th Wallabies to be introduced by Robbie Deans in 33 Tests as Australian coach.
- Seven of the Australian players centre Rob Horne, flyhalf Quade Cooper, prop Salesi Ma'afu and hooker Saia Faingaa along with second half replacements Ben McCalman, Rob Simmons and James Slipper – were on debut in Tri Nations matches.

- Matt Giteau played his 82nd Test, edging ahead of Matthew Burke to become the eighth most capped Wallabies player, and the fifth most capped Australian back, in his own right.
- This was the 18th Test played by Australia at Suncorp Stadium, and the 15th to have been won, with the only previous defeats all having been sustained against New Zealand.
- South African skipper John Smit appeared in his 99th Test, and record 73rd as captain. Team-mate and second row Victor Matfield played his 97th Test match.
- The win was just Australia's second in its last 11 Tri Nations opening matches, dating back to 2000. The previous success had also been achieved against South Africa on Australian soil at Perth in 2008.
- The try scored by Drew Mitchell allowed him to become the 19th Australian player to crack 100 Test points.
- The 15 points kicked by Giteau took his tally in Tri Nations matches to 208, making him just the fifth person to have achieved in excess of 200 points since the tournament began.
- The Australian match night squad contained just 13 of the same players who had featured in the corresponding match at the same venue 12 months earlier, when the Wallabies had achieved their sole success of the 2009 Tri Nations with a 21-6 success.

# Bledisloe Cup #1

New Zealand 49, Australia 28 At Etihad Stadium, Melbourne, 31 July

**For Australia:** Tries by Drew Mitchell, Adam Ashley-Cooper and Rocky Elsom; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Matt Giteau.

For New Zealand: Tries by Malili Muliaina (2), Daniel Carter, Richard McCaw, Cory Jane, Joe Rokocoko and Corey Flynn; 4 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Carter.



**Halftime:** New Zealand 32, Australia 14 **Referee:** Craig Joubert (South Africa)

Goal-kicking: Matt Giteau 5 from 7 (season: 22 from

31), Daniel Carter 6 from 9.

Crowd:

Man of Gold: David Pocock

**Yellow Cards:** Owen Franks (New Zealand) 21-31 min, Drew Mitchell (Australia) 28-38 min, 43 min (second = red).

Australia: Adam Ashley-Cooper, James O'Connor, Rob Horne (replaced by Kurtley Beale, 56 min), Berrick Barnes, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau (replaced by Anthony Faingaa, 77 min), Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 75 min), Richard Brown, David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Rob Simmons, 47 min), Dean Mumm, Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by James Slipper, 59 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Saia Faingaa, 47 min), Benn Robinson.

**New Zealand:** Malili Muliaina, Cory Jane (replaced by Israel Dagg, 75 min), Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu (replaced by Aaron Crude, 71 min), Joe Rokocoko, Daniel Carter, Jimmy Cowan (replaced by Piri Weepu, 33 min), Kieran Read, Richie McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino, Brad Thorn, Tom Donnelly (replaced by Sam Whitlock, 73 min), Owen Franks, Kevin Mealamu (replaced by Corey Flynn, 71 min), Tony Woodcock.

- This was the 161st Test match between teams representing Australia and New Zealand since 1903 and New Zealand's 111th success.
- It was the All Blacks' 56th win from 88 matches on Australian soil, the ninth claimed from 16 Tri Nations games in Australia, and the second from four games against the Wallabies in Melbourne.
- The match was the 118th to have been played in the Bledisloe Cup series since the trophy was first introduced in 1931.

- In winning its eighth match in a row against Australia, the All Blacks established the second biggest winning streak against the Wallabies, bettered only by the nine straight wins that were gathered in trans-Tasman matches between 1936 and 1947.
- The win was the 12th in a row gathered against allcomers by Graham Henry's team dating back to a loss to South Africa in Hamilton in the penultimate match of the 2009 Tri Nations.
- Drew Mitchell became the first Australian player to be ordered from the field in a Test match due to the issue of two yellow cards. He was the first Australian player to be sent off since David Cody was dismissed in the third place playoff against Wales in the inaugural Rugby World Cup in 1987.
- The Australian winger also became the first player to have been ejected from the field in 161 trans-Tasman Test matches.
- Mitchell had earlier scored his fourth try from nine Tests against New Zealand, without having ended any of those games on the winning side.
- When he took the field as a replacement late in the game, Anthony Faingaa became the 846th player to appear for Australia in Tests.
- At the time, Anthony joined his twin brother Saia (an earlier second half replacement) on the field. Together the pair became the 40th set of brothers to have appeared for the Wallabies, and the third twins to have completed the feat following on from Stewart and Jim Boyce (1962) and Mark and Glen Ella (1982).
- Nathan Sharpe, who debuted for Australia against France in Melbourne in 2002, tied John Eales as the country's most capped second rower by appearing for the 84th time.
- The seven tries let in by Australia represented one more than the side had allowed in its previous five Test outings for the year combined.
- New Zealand's win was just the second for a visiting side from 11 matches played by Australia at Etihad Stadium since the venue opened in 2000. The other 'away' win was gained by England in 2003.



- When he failed to convert Australia's opening try, which was scored by Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau broke a run of 14 successful conversions against the All Blacks in succession.
- The two conversions Giteau did later land advanced his career tally against New Zealand to 18, two ahead of the previous mark established by South Africa's Percy Montgomery.
- In contributing 13 points, Giteau took his career tally in Tri Nations matches to 222, which made him the fourth highest point-scorer in the competition, again moving ahead of Montgomery (210).
- The second half try scored by Joe Rokocoko was his seventh against Australia and his 46th in Tests, lifting him above Christian Cullen (45) as New Zealand's second highest Test try scorer.
- In scoring 19 points, Daniel Carter became the first player to raise 400 in Tri Nations games, finishing the night on 402.
- Carter also surpassed the 1090 points scored in Tests by Welshman Neil Jenkins, finishing the night as the second most prolific point-scorer in Test history with 1094 to his name.
- Team-mate and skipper Richard McCaw scored his seventh Test try against Australia, while claiming a 17th win over the Wallabies while the All Blacks were under his command. This set a new record, edging ahead of the 16 wins achieved by Sean Fitzpatrick. McCaw was leading the All Blacks for the 49th time in Tests, two matches short of Fitzpatrick's New Zealand record of 51 Test captaincies.
- This was the 14th occasion that Carter and McCaw had lined up together against Australia, and returned the 13th win from those matches.
- It was also the 14th success achieved by New Zealand from its last 16 Tests against Australia dating back to 2005.
- Malili Muliaina, who scored two tries, had scored four tries on an earlier career appearance at Etihad Stadium against Canada during the 2003 Rugby World Cup.
- The 49 points conceded by Australia was the second highest achieved by the All Blacks in trans-Tasman Tests, eclipsed only by the 50-21 victory achieved by a Robbie Deans co-coached New Zealand side at Sydney in 2003.

• Two members of the Australian starting XV: centre Rob Horne and prop Salesi Ma'afu, and the second half replacements Kurtley Beale, Anthony Faingaa, Rob Simmons, Saia Faingaa and James Slipper were all facing the All Blacks for the first time.

# **Bledisloe Cup #2**

New Zealand 20, Australia 10 At AMI Stadium, Christchurch, 7 August

**For Australia:** Try by Kurtley Beale; conversion and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Malili Muliaina and Conrad Smith; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Daniel Carter.

**Halftime:** New Zealand 17, Australia 10 **Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

**Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 2 from 3 (season: 24 from 34), Daniel Carter 4 from 4, Piri Weepu o from 1.

Crowd: 39,000

Man of Gold: Nathan Sharpe

Yellow Cards: None

Australia: Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Anthony Faingaa, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Will Genia, Richard Brown (replaced by Matt Hodgson, 56 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Rob Simmons, 65 min), Dean Mumm, Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by James Slipper, 65 min), Saia Faingaa, Benn Robinson.

**New Zealand:** Malili Muliaina, Joe Rokocoko, Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu, Cory Jane, Daniel Carter, Piri Weepu, Kieran Read, Richard McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino (replaced by Victor Vito, 70 min), Brad Thorn, Tom Donnelly (replaced by Sam Whitelock, 50 min), Owen Franks (replaced by Ben Franks, 42 min), Keven Mealamu (replaced by Corey Flynn), Tony Woodcock.



#### **Test Notes:**

- This was New Zealand's 112th success from 162 Test matches against Australia, having lost 45 and drawn the other five.
- The win was the 11th achieved by New Zealand from 16 Tests against Australia in Christchurch, but the ninth claimed from the last 10 trans-Tasman clashes in the city.
- It was also New Zealand's 11th straight win against all-comers in Christchurch since a 23-27 loss to Australia in the city in 1998. The Wallabies have fallen three times in the current run.
- In winning their ninth successive Bledisloe Cup Test, the All Blacks matched the achievement of the 1936-47 winning run enjoyed by New Zealand against Australia.
- This was also New Zealand's 13th consecutive win against all-comers, dating back to the 2009 Tri Nations.
- The three points New Zealand scored in the second half was the lowest total the All Blacks had achieved in one half of rugby for 43 Tests, going back to their 15-20 defeat against Australia at Melbourne in 2007 where they were kept scoreless through the second period.
- Daniel Carter and Richard McCaw experienced their 14th success from 15 Test matches against the Qantas Wallabies when they have both been on the field. Their combined contribution helped New Zealand to its 15th win from its most recent 17 Tests against Australia going back to 2005.
- The 10 points contributed by Carter allowed him to become just the second player in Test history (behind England's Jonny Wilkinson) to surpass 1100 points, ending the night with 1104 to his name.
- Richard McCaw led the All Blacks in Test matches for the 50th time, closing to within one of Sean Fitzpatrick's New Zealand record for Test captaincies of 51 games.
- All Black centre Ma'a Nonu featured in his 50th Test since debuting against England in 2003.
- Nathan Sharpe appeared in the Australian second row for the 85th time, making him the most capped Wallaby lock in his own right, taking over this mantle from John Eales.

- This was the 22nd Test Sharpe had played against New Zealand levelling him up with Stephen Larkham for the fifth most by any Australian player opposing the All Blacks.
- In starting a Test match together for Australia for the first time, Anthony and Saia Faingaa became the third set of twin brothers to achieve this feat, following on from Stewart and Jim Boyce (1962) and Mark and Glen Ella (1982).
- By featuring in his 67th Test, Tony Woodcock became the most capped All Black prop, surpassing the 2011 Melbourne Rebels recruit Greg Somerville.

#### Mandela Plate #2

South Africa 44, Australia 31 At Loftus Versfeld, Pretoria, 28 August

**For South Africa:** Tries by Juan Smith, Guthro Steenkamp, Pierre Spies, Francois Steyn and JP Pietersen; 4 conversions and 2 penalty goals by Morné Steyn, penalty goal by Francois Steyn, conversion by Butch James.

**For Australia:** Tries by James O'Connor (2), Will Genia and Dean Mumm; 4 conversions and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau.

**Halftime:** Australia 28, South Africa 24 **Referee:** Alain Rolland (Ireland)

**Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 5 from 5 (season: 29 from 39), Kurtley Beale o from 1, Morné Steyn 6 from 6, François Steyn 1 from 1, Butch James 1 from 1.

Crowd: 43,152

Man of Gold: Kurtley Beale Yellow Cards: None



Australia: Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Matt Giteau, Drew Mitchell, Quade Cooper, Will Genia, Richard Brown (replaced by Ben McCalman, 57 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Rob Simmons,65 min), Dean Mumm, Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by James Slipper, 55 min), Saia Faingaa (temporarily replaced by Stephen Moore, 26-36 min), Benn Robinson.

**South Africa:** Francois Steyn, JP Pietersen, Jaque Fourie, Jean de Villiers, Bryan Habana, Morné Steyn (replaced by Butch James, 65 min), Francois Hougaard, Pierre Spies, Juan Smith, Schalk Burger, Francois van der Merwe (replaced by Danie Rossouw, 48 min), Victor Matfield, Jannie du Plessis (replaced by CJ van der Linde, 54 min), John Smit (captain, replaced by Chiliboy Ralepelle, 57 min), Guthrow Steenkamp.

#### **Test Notes:**

- This was the 73rd meeting between Australia and South Africa at all venues and South Africa's 44th win, as aside 28 defeats and two draws.
- It was South Africa's 30th win over Australia from 38 matches played in the Republic, and its fifth success from as many matches against the Wallabies at Loftus Versfeld.
- South Africa's success continued the dominance of home sides in the Australia-South Africa rivalry, with it being the 30th home win from the last 35 Tests between the two nations, and the 15th win achieved by South Africa from 17 home matches against Australia in the Tri Nations.
- Victor Matfield played his 100th Test, becoming the third South African to this milestone following on from Percy Montgomery and John Smit.
- It was also Victor Matfield's 21st Test against Australia, which is the most by any South African, and his 41st Tri Nations Test which tied the tally accumulated by George Smith for the second most appearances by any player in the competition.
- The 14 points scored by Morné Steyn took him beyond Joel Stransky and into outright third among South African Test point-scorers.

- Nathan Sharpe played his 86th Test, tying Joe Roff and John Eales as the fifth most capped Wallabies of all time.
- Dean Mumm scored his first Test try.
- This was the first time in eight Test matches between Australia and South Africa that the side leading at halftime had not gone on to win the game.
- The penalty goal kicked by Matt Giteau was the 100th of his Test career.
- The 28 points scored by Australia in the first half represented the second most ever scored by the Wallabies in one half of a Tri Nations game, bettered only by the 30 scored in the first half against South Africa at Brisbane in 2006, en-route to a 49-0 success.

# Mandela Plate #3

Australia 41, South Africa 39 At Vodacom Park, Bloemfontein, 4 September

**For Australia:** Tries by Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Rocky Elsom, Stephen Moore and Drew Mitchell; 4 conversions and a penalty goal by Matt Giteau, conversion by James O'Connor, penalty goal by Kurtley Beale.

**For South Africa:** Tries by Jaque Fourie, Gurthro Steenkamp and Jean de Villiers; 3 conversions and 6 penalty goals by Morné Steyn.

**Halftime:** Australia 31, South Africa 13 **Referee:** Wayne Barnes (England)

**Crowd:** 38,000

**Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 5 from 5 (season: 34 from 44), James O'Connor 1 from 1 (season: 7 from 8), Kurtley Beale 1 from 1 (season: 1 from 2), Morné Steyn 9 from 9.

Man of Gold: Ben McCalman

Yellow Cards: Saia Faingaa (Australia) 69-79 min



Australia: Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 70 min), Drew Mitchell (replaced by Anthony Faingaa, 72 min), Quade Cooper, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 54 min), Ben McCalman (replaced by Richard Brown, 70 min, temporarily replaced by Stephen Moore,78-80 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 53 min), Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by James Slipper, 21 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Saia Faingaa, 65 min), Benn Robinson.

**South Africa:** Francois Steyn, JP Pietersen, Jaque Fourie, Jean de Villiers, Bryan Habana (replaced by Gio Aplon, 50 min), Morné Steyn, Francois Hougaard, Pierre Spies (replaced by Ryan Kankowski, 65 min), Juan Smith, Schalk Burger, Danie Rossouw (replaced by Francois van der Merwe, 61 min), Victor Matfield, Jannie du Plessis (replaced by CJ van der Linde, 55 min), John Smit (captain, replaced by Chiliboy Ralepelle, 65 min), Gurthro Steenkamp.

- This was Australia's first success on the African high veldt in 47 years, snapping a sequence of 12 consecutive defeats dating back to 1963 and an 11-9 win in Johannesburg.
- The win was Australia's second (from five attempts) at Bloemfontein and just its third from all matches at high veldt venues.
- Success reclaimed for Australia the Mandela Plate, after South Africa had won the series 2-1 in 2009.
- The win was just the Wallabies' third win from 18 Tri Nation's matches in South Africa, but its second in three years in the Republic.
- It was also just the seventh instance of an away win in this rivalry from 37 meetings between the sides since 1996.
- Australia's win was just its second from its last 22 away matches in the Tri Nations.
- The 31 points scored by Australia in the first half represented a new record for the most achieved by the Wallabies in one half of a Tri Nations match.

- Stephen Moore and Drew Mitchell became the 33rd and 34th Australians to appear in 50 Tests. Both marked the occasion by scoring tries.
- This was the 74th meeting between Australia and South Africa at all venues and Australia's 29th win, nine of which have been achieved on South African soil.
- The 11 points accumulated by Matt Giteau made him the most prolific point-scorer from either side in Australia-South Africa matches, eclipsing Stirling Mortlock's career tally of 150 points as he finished the game with 157 to his name.
- Giteau also jumped three places on the all-time point-scoring charts, finishing the match as the 13th most prolific Test point-scorer with 655 to his name.
- Nathan Sharpe became Australia's fifth most capped player in his own right, appearing for the 87th occasion as he moved beyond the 86 caps gathered by both John Eales and Joe Roff.
- Eales and Roff were joined on 86 appearances by Giteau.
- The 24 points contributed by Morné Steyn took him past 150 in Tri Nations, becoming just the second Springbok, and the eighth player overall, to have achieved this.
- The haul also allowed Steyn to surpass Carlos Spencer as the seventh highest point-scorer in Tri Nations.
- Steyn finished the night on 269 career points, having become just the third South African to exceed 250 Test points.
- By kicking nine from nine, Steyn completed the Tri Nations without having missed a shot at goal, having landed 29 goals from 29 attempts in the competition. He ended the tournament having been successful with his last 37 shots at goal.
- The South African starting line-up was the most experienced ever fielded by the Springboks, boasting 750 Test caps, 50 more than the previous best, which had been set earlier in the Tri Nations.
- This was just South Africa's fourth defeat from 17 Tests played at Bloemfontein.



- John Smit played his 102nd Test, tying the South African appearance record set by Percy Montgomery.
- Victor Matfield featured in his 42nd Tri Nations game, the second most by any player in the competition's history.

# Bledisloe Cup #3

New Zealand 23, Australia 22 At ANZ Stadium, Sydney, 11 September

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Richard McCaw and Kieran Read; 2 conversions and 3 penalty goals by Piri Weepu.

**For Australia:** Tries by James O'Connor and Adam Ashley-Cooper; penalty goals by Matt Giteau (3) and Kurtley Beale.

**Halftime:** Australia 14, New Zealand 6 **Referee:** Mark Lawrence (South Africa)

Crowd: 70,288

**Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 3 from 7 (season: 37 from 51), Kurtley Beale 1 from 1 (season: 2 from 3), Piri Weepu 5 from 5.

Man of Gold: Lachie Turner

Yellow cards: None

Australia: Kurtley Beale, James O'Connor, Adam Ashley-Cooper (replaced by Anthony Faingaa, 79 min), Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 78 min), Lachie Turner, Quade Cooper (temporarily replaced by Berrick Barnes, 66-73 min), Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 71 min), Ben McCalman (replaced by Richard Brown, 73 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 55 min), Salesi Ma'afu (replaced by James Slipper, 53 min), Stephen Moore, Benn Robinson.

**New Zealand:** Malili Muliaina, Cory Jane (replaced by Rene Ranger, 67 min), Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu, Israel Dagg, Aaron Cruden (replaced by Colin Slade, 60 min), Piri Weepu (replaced by Jimmy Cowan, 79 min), Kieran Read, Richard McCaw (captain), Victor Vito (replaced

by Jerome Kaino, 48 min), Brad Thorn, Tom Donnelly (replaced by Anthony Boric, 60 min), Owen Franks (replaced by John Afoa, 60 min), Keven Mealamu (replaced by Corey Flynn, 11 min), Tony Woodcock.

- This was the 163rd trans-Tasman Test match since 1903 and New Zealand's 113th success, as opposed to 45 defeats and five draws.
- It was the All Blacks' 31st win from 51 Tests in Sydney, having lost 18 with two drawn.
- The win was New Zealand's 57th from 88 Tests on Australian soil.
- The one-point winning margin repeated the previous year's corresponding Test at the ground where New Zealand prevailed 19-18.
- New Zealand tasted success against Australia at ANZ Stadium for the fifth time, having lost five other Bledisloe Cup Tests at the ground as well as the 2003 Rugby World Cup semi-final where the trans-Tasman trophy was not at stake.
- This was the sixth occasion from 11 trans-Tasman Tests at the ground where the margin between the two teams was five points or less.
- The loss was Australia's third in succession by a one-point margin at the Olympic venue, and the seventh defeat from 28 Tests played by the Qantas Wallabies at the ground since it opened in 1999.
- The win was New Zealand's 10th in succession against Australia, setting a new record winning sequence which eclipsed the nine in a row gathered by the All Blacks between 1936 and 1947.
- Six of those 10 victories had seen New Zealand come from behind to succeed after having trailed Australia at halftime.
- The try scored by Adam Ashley-Cooper after halftime was just the second posted by Australia in a second halffrom the last seven matches against New Zealand.



- The New Zealand class of '10 became just the fifth team to complete a Tri Nations tournament unbeaten (from 15 seasons), but the first to achieve the feat since the expanded six-game format was introduced in 2006.
- The win was New Zealand's 350th in Test matches, and its 15th in succession since being beaten by South Africa at Hamilton in the final tie of the 2009 Tri Nations.
- Matt Giteau appeared for Australia for the 87th time, becoming the sixth most capped Wallaby in his own right.
- In kicking nine points, Giteau advanced his career tally in Tri Nations to 257, becoming just the fourth player to surpass 250 tournament points.
- The appearance was Giteau's 39th at inside centre for Australia, which tied ex-captain Andrew Slack's career tally as the fifth most capped midfield back for the Qantas Wallabies.
- Nathan Sharpe appeared against New Zealand for the 23rd time, which represented the fifth most appearances for either side in a trans-Tasman Test match.
- The game was also the 39th played by Sharpe in Tri Nations, which represented the fifth most competition appearances by any player, and the second most gathered by an Australian.
- Rocky Elsom captained Australia for the 15th occasion in Test matches, joining Michael Lynagh and Tony Shaw as the eighth most capped Australian leaders.
- It was the 59th Test played by Rocky Elsom, which tied Simon Poidevin as the fourth most capped Australian flanker.
- When he came from the bench in the second spell, Luke Burgess was appearing at halfback for the 27th time in Tests, tying Ken Catchpole as Australia's fifth most capped halfback.
- In playing his 51st Test, Stephen Moore became Australia's third highest capped hooker, edging ahead of the 50 Tests achieved in the position by Michael Foley.
- Flyhalf Quade Cooper and No 8 Ben McCalman featured against New Zealand for the first time.

- Richard McCaw led the All Blacks for a record 52nd time, eclipsing Sean Fitzpatrick as the most capped New Zealand skipper. This was the 46th win of his captaincy tenure, and the record 19th win from the 22 Tests he had played against Australia.
- The try scored by McCaw was the 20th of his 89-Test career, eight of which had been achieved against Australia. This ranked McCaw alongside fellow All Blacks Ian Kirkpatrick, Doug Howlett and Christian Cullen for the most Test tries scored by any player against the Wallabies.
- All Black fullback Malili Muliaina featured in his 40th Tri Nations Test, which is the most by a New Zealander and the fourth most games played by any player in the competition.
- Hooker Keven Mealamu appeared for New Zealand for the 80th time in Tests to become the fifth most capped All Black of all-time.

#### Tri Nations Series 2010 Results

July 31:

July 10: New Zealand 32, South Africa 12 at **Auckland**July 17: New Zealand 31, South Africa 17 at **Wellington** 

July 24: Australia 30, South Africa 13

at **Brisbane**New Zealand 49, Australia 28

at **Melbourne** 

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August 7: New Zealand 20, Australia 10

at **Christchurch** 

August 21: New Zealand 29, South Africa 22

at Johannesburg (Soweto)

August 28: South Africa 44, Australia 31

at Pretoria

4 September: Australia 41, South Africa 39

at **Bloemfontein** 

11 September: New Zealand 23, Australia 22

at **Sydney** 



#### Point's Table

	Won	Lost	For	Ag	-7	4T	Points
New Zealand	6	-	184	111	-	3	27
Australia	2	4	162	188	1	2	11
South Africa	1	5	147	194	2	1	7

# **Spring Tour**

# **Bledisloe Cup #4**

Australia 26, New Zealand 24 At Hong Kong International Stadium, 30 October

**For Australia:** Tries by Quade Cooper, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Drew Mitchell and James O'Connor; conversions by O'Connor (2) and Matt Giteau.

**For New Zealand:** Tries by Jimmy Cowan, Cory Jane and Ma'a Nonu; 3 conversions and a penalty goal by Daniel Carter.

Halftime: New Zealand 17, Australia 14

**Referee:** Alain Rolland (Ireland)

Crowd: 21,000

**Goal-kicking:** Matt Giteau 1 from 4 (season: 38 from 55 @ 69%), Kurtley Beale o from 2 (season: 2 from 5), James O'Connor 2 from 2 (season: 9 from 10), Daniel Carter 4 from 6.

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Man of Gold: Iames O'Connor

Yellow cards: None

Australia: Kurtley Beale, Drew Mitchell, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 64 min), James O'Connor, Quade Cooper, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 77 min), Ben McCalman, David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 73 min), Ben Alexander, Stephen Moore (replaced by Saia Faingaa, 61 min), Benn Robinson (replaced by James Slipper, 51 min).

New Zealand: Malili Muliaina, Cory Jane (replaced by Isaia Toeava, 51 min), Conrad Smith, Ma'a Nonu, Joe Rokocoko, Daniel Carter (replaced by Stephen Donald, 60 min), Jimmy Cowan (replaced by Alby Mathewson, 73 min), Kieran Read, Richard McCaw (captain), Jerome Kaino, Brad Thorn, Tom Donnelly (replaced by Sam Whitelock, 66 min), Owen Franks (replaced by John Afoa, 60 min), Keven Mealamu, Tony Woodcock.

- This was the 164th trans-Tasman Test match since 1903 and Australia's 46th success. New Zealand has won 113 times while there have been five draws the most recent of which was 55 matches previously in 1988 at Brisbane.
- Eleven of the 20 players used by Australia in the match – Kurtley Beale, Drew Mitchell, James O'Connor, Quade Cooper, Will Genia, Ben McCalman, David Pocock, Dean Mumm, Ben Alexander, Saia Faingaa and James Slipper – were experiencing their first win against the All Blacks.
- The win snapped a record 10-game losing sequence for Australia against New Zealand which dated back to 2008.
- This also represented New Zealand's first defeat in 16 Tests against all-countries, dating back to its final Tri Nations outing of 2009 against South Africa at Hamilton.
- The result was just the second time from 16 Tests against Australia where they had featured together, that All Blacks Daniel Carter and Richard McCaw had finished up on the losing side.
- The game was the second Bledisloe Cup Test to be played in Hong Kong, and the fourth Test on 'neutral' ground between the trans-Tasman rivals. Australia's success tied the scoreboard on neutral surfaces at two wins apiece.
- Australia has only bettered the four tries it scored in this game twice against New Zealand, both times scoring five.



- This was the 73rd time in Tests that the All Blacks had scored in excess of 20 points against the Wallabies, but just the fifth time from those matches that Australia had still got up to win.
- The game was just the 16th occasion from the 61 matches where Australia had trailed at halftime in the professional era (1996-2010); that the Wallabies had been able to come back and win.
- In matches played outside of Australia, it was just the second time the Wallabies had over-turned a halftime deficit in 54 Tests, going back to a win over Italy at Rome in 2006. The previous instance had occurred at 2009 against England in London.
- The try scored by Adam Ashley-Cooper was his sixth from 14 Tests against New Zealand. Only David Campese (eight tries from 29 Tests) and Matthew Burke (7) have more tries for the Wallabies against the All Blacks.
- Drew Mitchell, who scored two tries in the corresponding game at Hong Kong Stadium two years ago, added another in this match to take his career tally against the All Blacks to five. This places him equal fourth on the table of Australian tryscorers against New Zealand alongside Tim Horan, Stirling Mortlock and Lote Tuqiri.
- The conversion kicked by Matt Giteau was the 100th of his Test career.
- In contributing the two points, Matt Giteau took his career tally against the All Blacks to 135, moving ahead of the 133 accumulated by Michael Lynagh to become Australia's second most prolific point-scorer against New Zealand.
- This was Matt Giteau's 40th Test at inside centre, lifting him above Andrew Slack and into outright fifth position for appearances among Australian midfield backs.
- Rocky Elsom led Australia for the 16th time becoming Australia's sixth most capped leader alongside Greg Davis and John Thornett. He had previously shared seventh position in the leadership order with Tony Shaw and Michael Lynagh.
- It was also Rocky Elsom's 60th Test appearance, which moved him ahead of Simon Poidevin and into outright fourth for the most caps accumulated by an Australian back rower.

- When he appeared off the bench, Luke Burgess made his 28th Test appearance, edging ahead of Ken Catchpole's career tally to become the fifth most capped Australian halfback, tying Chris Whitaker.
- Benn Robinson appeared in his 38th Test, equal with Andy McIntyre and advancing ahead of Dan Crowley and Richard Harry to become Australia's joint sixth most capped Test prop.
- Nathan Sharpe appeared in his 24th Test against New Zealand enjoying just his fifth win. His tally tied George Smith as the third most capped Australian player in Tests against the All Blacks. Only David Campese (29) and George Gregan (27) have played the All Blacks on more occasions representing the Wallabies.
- Irishman Alain Rolland became just the second non-South African to officiate in a trans-Tasman Test through the 12 games that had been played in the 2008-2010 period. The other previous non-South African was Rolland's countryman, Alan Lewis, who had the whistle during the two teams' previous stop in Hong Kong in 2008.

# **James Bevan Trophy**

Australia 25, Wales 16 At Millennium Stadium, 6 November

**For Australia:** Tries by David Pocock, Kurtley Beale and Ben Alexander; 2 conversions and 2 penalty goals by James O'Connor.

**For Wales:** Try by Richie Rees; conversion by Dan Biggar, 3 penalty goals by Stephen Jones.

**Halftime:** Australia 7, Wales 6 **Referee:** Wayne Barnes (England)

**Crowd:** 53,127

**Goal-kicking:** James O'Connor 4 from 6 (season: 13 from 16), Stephen Jones (Wales) 3 from 5, Dan Biggar

(Wales) 1 from 1.

Man of Gold: Kurtley Beale Yellow cards: Tom Shanklin

(Wales) 64-74 min



Australia: Kurtley Beale, Drew Mitchell, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 68 min), James O'Connor, Quade Cooper, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 75 min), Ben McCalman, David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Mark Chisholm, 72 min), Ben Alexander (replaced by James Slipper, 62 min), Saia Faingaa (replaced by Huia Edmonds, 55 min), Benn Robinson.

**Wales:** James Hook, Will Harries, Tom Shanklin (replaced by Chris Czekaj, 75 min), Andrew Bishop, Shane Williams, Stephen Jones (replaced by Dan Biggar, 66 min), Mike Phillips (replaced by Richie Rees, 66 min), Jonathan Thomas, Sam Warburton (replaced by Martyn Williams, 66 min), Dan Lydiate, Alun Wyn Jones, Bradley Davies, Adam Jones, Matthew Rees (captain, replaced by Huw Bennett, 72 min), Gethin Jenkins (replaced by Paul James, 72 min).

- This was the 30th meeting between Australia and Wales and Australia's 19th win alongside 10 defeats and a draw.
- The win was Australia's 11th on Welsh soil. It has lost eight times while the 2006 match ended in a 29-29 draw.
- Australia was claiming its third win in Cardiff from its last six visits.
- This was just the third occasion that Australia had won consecutive Tests against Wales in Cardiff, following on from 1991 and 1992, and 1996, 1999 and 2001 when the Wallabies won three straight.
- Ben Alexander scored his maiden Test try. His previous try for the Wallabies had been scored in the non-cap match against the Barbarians in Sydney in 2009.
- David Pocock scored his second Test try. Both have been scored against Wales in Cardiff.
- Pocock was playing his 27th Test, which took him beyond the career tallies of Tony Shaw and Jeff Miller (26) and into position as the ninth most capped Australian loose forward.

- By leading Australia for the 17th time, Rocky Elsom became the sixth most capped Wallabies Test skipper in his own right.
- In coming off the bench for his 29th Test appearance, Luke Burgess moved ahead of fellow New South Welshman Chris Whitaker to become the fourth most capped Australian halfback.
- Mark Chisholm featured in his 55th Test which tied Daniel Vickerman as Australia's third most capped second rower.
- Nathan Sharpe and Mark Chisholm joined David Campese in second position on the list of the most appearances by a Wallaby against Wales. The pair were playing their eighth match, one behind George Gregan's record of nine.
- Benn Robinson made his 39th Test appearance to move past Andy McIntyre and into outright sixth position among the most capped Australian Test props.
- Fourteen of the match night squad who featured for Australia had also appeared in the corresponding match 12 months earlier where the Wallabies had prevailed 33-12. Just three of the players Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau and Benn Robinson had also featured two years previously when Wales won 21-18.
- Giteau featured in his 50th Test win from 90 appearances.
- This was just the third occasion from 40 Tests as Australian coach that Robbie Deans had started the same XV in consecutive Tests.
- This was the 74th Test played by Wales at the Millennium Stadium since its opening in 1999, and the home side's 33rd defeat, as opposed to 39 wins and two draws.
- The defeat was the 15th suffered by Wales under Kiwi coach Warren Gatland, with Australia having inflicted two of them. Gatland had won 16 matches, including the 2008 clash with Australia.
- The nine points contributed by Stephen Jones advanced his career tally against Australia to 52.
   This is the most scored by a Welshman in Tests against the Wallabies.



• When Martyn Williams took the field as a replacement in the 66th minute, he became the 17th player in the game to reach 100 Tests when his Wales and British & Irish Lions caps are combined. Williams was joined by an 18th player later in the same afternoon when fellow British & Irish Lion Ronan O'Gara brought up his century of Test appearances during Ireland's 21-23 loss to South Africa in Dublin.

# **Tour Match**

Australia 26, Leicester Tigers 15 At Welford Road, Leicester, 9 November

**For Australia:** Tries by Lachie Turner and Scott Higginbotham; 2 conversions, 3 penalty goals and a dropped goal by Berrick Barnes.

**For the Leicester Tigers:** 5 penalty goals by Billy Twelvetrees.

**Halftime:** Australia 13, Leicester Tigers 12 **Referee:** Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa)

Crowd: 20,000

Goal-kicking: Berrick Barnes (Australia) 5 from 8, Billy

Twelvetrees (Leicester Tigers) 5 from 6.

Man of Gold: Matt Hodgson

Yellow cards: None

Australia: Peter Hynes, Rod Davies, Pat McCabe, Anthony Faingaa, Lachie Turner (replaced by Luke Morahan, 65 min), Berrick Barnes (captain), Luke Burgess, Richard Brown, Matt Hodgson (replaced by Pat McCutcheon, 65 min), Scott Higginbotham, Van Humphries (replaced by Dean Mumm, 65 min), Rob Simmons, Salesi Ma'afu, Huia Edmonds (replaced by Saia Faingaa, 65 min), James Slipper.

Leicester Tigers: Geordan Murphy (captain), Scott Hamilton, Matt Smith (replaced by Dan Hipkiss), Anthony Allen, Manu Tuilagi, Billy Twelvetrees, James Grindal, Jordan Crane, Craig Newby, Thomas Waldrom (replaced by Steve Mafi), George Skivington, Ed Slater, Julian White, George Chuter (replaced by Rob Hawkins), Peter Bucknall.

#### **Match Notes:**

- Five players made their debut for Australia winger Rod Davies, centre Pat McCabe, blindside flanker Scott Higginbotham, lock Van Humphries and replacement flanker Pat McCutcheon.
- Berrick Barnes captained Australia for the first time.
- Higginbotham's injury time try was his first for Australia.
- Leicester led 15-13 with eight minutes to go before being buried by a late Australian surge of 13 unanswered points.
- The Tigers were the reigning English Premiership champions, having won that title on a record nine occasions, and had beaten the then Tri Nations champions South Africa 22-17 in a Tour match in 2009.
- The home side featured 10 former internationals in all including skipper Geordan Murphy who had played for Ireland, Craig Newby and Scott Hamilton were ex-All Blacks, while Julian White, George Chuter, Jordan Crane and replacement Dan Hipkiss had all played for England.
- Crane and Hipkiss both appeared for England during the 9-18 defeat to Australia in the previous year's Cook Cup Test at Twickenham.

# **Cook Cup**

England 35, Australia 18 At Twickenham, London, 13 November

**For Australia:** 2 tries by Kurtley Beale; conversion and 2 penalty goals by James O'Connor.

**For England:** 2 tries by Chris Ashton; 2 conversions and 7 penalty goals by Toby Flood.

**Halftime:** England 16, Australia 6 **Referee:** Craig Joubert (South Africa)

**Crowd:** 80,005



**Goal-kicking:** James O'Connor (Australia) 3 from 7 (season: 16 from 23), Toby Flood (England) 9 from 9.

Man of Gold: Stephen Moore

Yellow cards: Matt Giteau (Australia) 36-46 minutes

Australia: Kurtley Beale, Drew Mitchell, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Matt Giteau (replaced by Berrick Barnes, 59 min), James O'Connor, Quade Cooper, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 47 min), Ben McCalman (replaced by Richard Brown, 56 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe, Mark Chisholm (replaced by Dean Mumm, 56 min), Ben Alexander, Stephen Moore, Benn Robinson (replaced by James Slipper, 56 min).

**England:** Ben Foden, Chris Ashton, Mike Tindall (replaced by Delon Armitage), Shontayne Hape, Mark Cueto, Toby Flood (replaced by Charlie Hodgson), Ben Youngs (replaced by Danny Care), Nick Easter (replaced by Hendrie Fourie), Lewis Moody (captain), Tom Croft, Tom Palmer (replaced by Simon Shaw), Courtney Lawes, Dan Cole, Dylan Hartley (replaced by Steve Thompson), Andy Sheridan (replaced by David Wilson).

- The 35 points scored by England represented a new record for the most accumulated against Australia in a Test match, eclipsing the previous mark which had stood for eight years, by three.
- England's 17-point margin of victory also tied the previous best, which England had achieved twice previously. All three 17-point victories had been secured in games played at home.
- The win denied Australia its first instance of three consecutive wins against England at Twickenham, while also returning the Cook Cup to English possession for the first time since 2006.
- This was the 40th Test between Australia and England, and England's 16th success. Australia has won 24, with the sole draw occurring in 1997 at Twickenham.

- England was recording its 11th win from 21 matches played on home soil.
- The first of the two tries scored by Kurtley Beale was the 100th scored by Australia from 40 Test outing against England.
- Northampton winger Chris Ashton became just the fourth Englishman to score two tries against Australia in 40 Tests. They were the second and third tries of Ashton's Test career, with all three of his tries having been scored against Australia, after he had opened his Test account during the win in Sydney earlier in the year.
- The 25 points scored by Toby Flood was the most by an individual for England in Tests against Australia, bettering the 22 scored by Jonny Wilkinson.
- Flood's haul, on its own, represented the third most career points scored by an Englishman against Australia. When added to the 15 he contributed during the mid-year series, it took his career tally against Australia to 40, which is second only to the 114 Wilkinson has posted.
- Mike Tindall featured in his 65th Test, which tied Jeremy Guscott as the third most capped back by England.
- Thirteen of England's starting XV had also started in the previous Test against Australia in Sydney where the visitors won by one point, with front rowers prop Andy Sheridan and hooker Dylan Hartley being the only newcomers.
- Australia had just eight survivors from its starting XV on that occasion – James O'Connor, Drew Mitchell, Matt Giteau, Quade Cooper, Will Genia, David Pocock, Rocky Elsom and Nathan Sharpe. The side had an entirely new front row.
- Ten of the Australians who started this match, had also started 12-months earlier when the Wallabies won 18-9 at Twickenham. Seven players remained from the starting XV of two years earlier, when Australia had prevailed 28-14 to begin its winning sequence in London.



- Nathan Sharpe earned the 91st Test cap of his career, and his 11th against England. This tied Chris Latham and placed him third behind George Gregan and George Smith in terms of the number of appearances made by an Australian against England.
- Matt Giteau featured in his 10th Test against England which tied Joe Roff and Phil Waugh for the fourth on the appearance list.
- Mark Chisholm appeared in his 56th Test, surpassing Daniel Vickerman as he became Australia's third most capped second rower.
- This was the fourth consecutive Test through the last two seasons that Australia had lost playing under the control of South African referee Craig Joubert.

# **Tour Match**

Munster 15, Australia 6 At Thomond Park Stadium, Limerick, 16 November

For Australia: 2 penalty goals by Berrick Barnes.

**For Munster:** 3 penalty goals and 2 dropped goals by Paul Warwick.

Halftime: Munster 6, Australia 6

Referee: Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand)

Crowd: 21,314

Goal-kicking: Berrick Barnes 2 from 2, Paul Warwick

(Munster) 3 from 6.

Man of Gold: Matt Hodgson

Yellow Cards: Anthony Faingaa 32-42 min, Ben Daley

76 min

Australia: Lachie Turner (replaced by Peter Hynes, 57 min), Luke Morahan, Pat McCabe, Anthony Faingaa, Rod Davies, Berrick Barnes (captain), Luke Burgess (replaced by Nick Phipps, 57 min), Richard Brown (replaced by Van Humphries, 52 min), Matt Hodgson, Scott Higginbotham (replaced by Pat McCutcheon, 40 min), Dean Mumm (replaced by James Slipper, 79 min), Rob Simmons, Salesi Ma'afu, Saia Faingaa (replaced by Tatafu Polota Nau, 45 min), Ben Daley (temporarily replaced by James Slipper, 54-58 min).

Munster: Johne Murphy (replaced by Barry Murphy), Doug Howlett, Keith Earls (replaced by Scott Deasy), Sam Tuitupou, Denis Hurley, Paul Warwick, Duncan Williams (replaced by Conor Murray), James Coughlan (captain), Niall Ronan (replaced by Mike Sherry), Peter O'Mahony (replaced by Tommy O'Donnell), Ian Nagle (replaced by Alan Quinlan), Billy Holland, Peter Borlase (replaced by Stephen Archer), Damien Varley, Wian du Preez.

### **Match Notes:**

- Nick Phipps made his debut for Australia.
- This was Munster's fourth success from eight matches against Australia, adding to wins achieved in 1967, 1981 and 1992. Australia won the games in 1947, 1975 and 1996 while the 1958 clash was drawn.
- Flyhalf Paul Warwick, who scored all of Munster's points, is a former Australian Under-21 and Sevens representative, having played club rugby for Manly prior to his departure for Ireland in 2004.
- The Australian influence at Munster extended to the coaching staff, with head coach Tony McGahan an ex-Brisbane Broncos rugby league representative, while assistant coach Laurie Fisher previously mentored both the Brumbies and the Australia A side.
- This was Australia's first appearance at the newly remodelled Thomond Park Stadium, which opened two years ago when Munster lost narrowly, 16-18, to the All Blacks.



#### **Test Match**

Australia 32, Italy 14 At Stade Artemio, Florence, 20 November

**For Australia:** Tries by Drew Mitchell and Rocky Elsom; 2 conversions and 6 penalty goals by Berrick Barnes.

**For Italy:** Try by Robert Barbieri; penalty goals by Mirco Bergamasco (2) and Luciano Orquera.

Halftime: Australia 13, Italy 9

**Referee:** Christophe Berdos (France)

Crowd: 32,173

**Goal-kicking:** Berrick Barnes 8 from 9 (season: 8 from 9), Mirco Bergamasco (Italy) 2 from 3, Luciano Orquera (Italy) 1 from 1.

Man of Gold: James Slipper

Yellow Cards: None

Australia: Kurtley Beale, Drew Mitchell, Adam Ashley Cooper (replaced by Pat McCabe, 79 min), Berrick Barnes, Lachie Turner, Quade Cooper, Luke Burgess, Ben McCalman, David Pocock (replaced by Matt Hodgson, 68 min), Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Mark Chisholm, 68 min), Rob Simmons, Ben Alexander, Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota Nau, 68 min), James Slipper (temporarily replaced by Benn Robinson, 67-73 min).

Italy: Luke McLean, Tommaso Benvenuti, Gonzalo Canale, Alberto Sgarbi (replaced by Andrea Masi), Mirco Bergamasco, Luciano Orquera (replaced by Riccardo Bocchino), Edoardo Gori (replaced by Pablo Canavosio), Sergio Parisse (captain), Alessandro Zanni (replaced by Robert Barbieri), Paul Derbyshire, Quintin Geldenhuys, Carlo Antonio Del Fava (replaced by Lorenzo Cittadini), Martin Castrogiovanni (replaced by Salvatore Perugini), Fabio Ongaro (replaced by Leonardo Ghiraldini), Andrea Lo Cicero.

- This was the 13th match between the two countries and the result maintained Australia's unbeaten record against Italy.
- Australia was featuring on Italian soil for the seventh time, notching up its seventh win.
- Adam Ashley-Cooper became the 35th Australian player to raise 50 Tests, but the fifth in 2010 following on from Rocky Elsom, Mark Chisholm, Drew Mitchell and Stephen Moore.
- Pat McCabe made his debut for the Qantas Wallabies, becoming the 847th player to represent Australia in Test matches, and the 27th new cap introduced by Robbie Deans during his tenure as Wallabies head coach.
- The 22 points contributed by Berrick Barnes represented the second most by an Australian in a Test against Italy, eclipsed only by the 23 Michael Lynagh scored in Rome 22 years previously.
- The six penalty goals kicked by Barnes were the most by an Australian against Italy, eclipsing the five contributed by Tim Wallace in the 20-7 win at Melbourne in 1994.
- Due to communication problems between the referee and the Television Match Official, a total of 10 minutes and four seconds of play was lost while the officials endeavoured to make decisions around two Italian scoring plays the penalty goal by Luciano Orquera in the 35th minute and the 71st minute try by Robert Barbieri.
- The try scored by Barbieri was just the 10th Australia had conceded from 13 Tests against Italy.
- Rocky Elsom led Australia in a Test match for the 19th time, tying Andrew Slack as the fifth most capped Test skipper for the Wallabies.
- Former Queensland team-mates Berrick Barnes and Quade Cooper were paired together in a Test backline for just the third time, and just the second time with Cooper at flyhalf and Barnes at inside centre. The pair had combined in that formation earlier in the year against England at Perth.



- James Slipper played his 13th consecutive Test match, but started for the first time, which was a world record for the most Tests prior to a run on debut. At the time of his maiden run on Test, the 20-year-old had three Super Rugby appearances to his name, just one of which had been a starting role.
- This was just the fourth occasion, from his last 13 Test appearances, that Luke Burgess had started.
- When he briefly came off the bench to earn his 41st cap as a blood bin replacement, Benn Robinson tied Tony Daly as the fifth most capped Australian Test prop.
- Benetton Treviso halfback Edoardo Gori made his Test debut for Italy.
- The Australian starting XV contained just eight players who'd featured during the previous visit to Italy in 2008, and just seven from the most recent match between the two countries at Melbourne in 2009.
- Italy featured just four of the same players in its starting line-up from the corresponding Test two years ago, and just three who had also started in Melbourne in 2009.

### **Trophée des Bicentenaires**

Australia 59, France 16
At Stade de France, Paris, 27 November

**For Australia:** Tries by Drew Mitchell (3), Adam Ashley-Cooper, Benn Robinson, Will Genia and James O'Connor; 6 conversions and 4 penalty goals by O'Connor.

**For France:** Penalty try; conversion and 3 penalty goals by Morgan Parra.

**Halftime:** Australia 13, France 13 **Referee:** Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand)

Crowd: 82,000

Goal-kicking: James O'Connor 10 from 12 (season: 26

from 35 @ 74%), Morgan Parra (France) 4 from 5.

Man of Gold: Adam Ashley-Cooper Yellow Cards: Ben Alexander (29-39 min) Australia: Kurtley Beale, Drew Mitchell, Adam Ashley Cooper (replaced by Lachie Turner, 74 min), Berrick Barnes (replaced by Matt Giteau, 72 min), James O'Connor, Quade Cooper, Will Genia (replaced by Luke Burgess, 74 min), Ben McCalman (temporarily replaced by Benn Robinson, 29-39 min, replaced by Scott Higginbotham, 63 min), David Pocock, Rocky Elsom (captain), Nathan Sharpe (replaced by Mark Chisholm, 65 min), Rob Simmons, Ben Alexander (replaced by Benn Robinson, 39 min), Stephen Moore (replaced by Tatafu Polota Nau, 72 min), James Slipper.

France: Jerome Porical, Yoann Huget, Aurelien Rougerie, Yannick Jauzion, Alexis Palisson (replaced by Marc Andreu), Damien Traille, Morgan Parra (replaced by Dimitri Yachvili), Sebastien Chabal (replaced by Julien Bonnaire), Fulgence Ouedraogo (temporarily replaced by Julien Bonnaire), Thierry Dusautoir (captain), Jerome Thion (replaced by Romain Millo-Chluski), Julien Pierre, Nicolas Mas, William Servat (replaced by Guilhem Guirado), Thomas Domingo.

- The 59 points scored, 43-point winning margin and seven tries posted were all records for Australia against France – and were achieved playing away against the reigning Six Nations champions.
- Australia scored a remarkable 46 points in the final 32 minutes of the match, having trailed 13-16 after 48 minutes.
- Drew Mitchell scored his second Test hat-trick, becoming the fifth Wallaby to score three tries in a Test on more than one occasion. Mitchell followed on from Chris Latham, David Campese, Matthew P. Burke and Lote Tugiri.
- This was the first time an Australian had scored a hat-trick against France and the 25th instance of a Wallaby claiming three or more tries in a Test.
- The tries allowed Mitchell to jump above Ben Tune (24) and Stephen Larkham into eighth position on the all-time Australian Test try-scoring list, taking his career tally to 26.



- James O'Connor became the 20th Australian to surpass 100 Test points, ending the game on 119.
- In achieving his century, the 20-year-old became the second youngest player in history to reach three figures in career points, behind Jonny Wilkinson.
- Not only was the 29 points scored by O'Connor a record for Australia against France, eclipsing the 25 scored by Matthew Burke in the 1999 Rugby World Cup final; it was also the most points scored by a Wallaby in a Test played outside of Australia.
- The penalty try awarded against Australia was the second it had conceded at a scrum from its last two visits to Paris, after being punished in similar circumstances during the 18-13 victory in 2008.
- This was the 41st Test between teams representing Australia and France and Australia's 23rd success, having lost 16 and drawn two.
- Australia won its eighth match in France, having lost 12 with one drawn from 21 games.
- By recording its fifth consecutive win over France, the 2008-10 side extended its sequence for the second greatest winning run over the French, with the mark second only to the six consecutive wins Australia achieved against France between 1993 and 2000.
- The win was Australia's second in a row over France in Paris. This was just the second time the Wallabies had gone back-to-back in France following on from 1993, 1998 and 2000 when the Wallabies won three in a row.
- The Australian run on team featured just five survivors – Drew Mitchell, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Nathan Sharpe, Stephen Moore and Ben Alexander – from the side that won in Paris in 2008. France also fielded five players – Yannick Jauzion, Fulgence Ouedraogo, Thierry Dusautoir, Sebastien Chabal and Nicolas Mas – who started in that match.
- Australia also boasted five survivors from the starting XV in their 22-6 win over France at the previous meeting of the two teams at Sydney in 2009. Ashley-Cooper, Mitchell, Sharpe, Moore and Berrick Barnes also started in that match. France had three returnees – Damien Traille, Dusautoir and Ouedraogo.

- When he took the field with 17 minutes remaining, Scott Higginbotham became the 848th player to represent Australia in Test matches, and the 28th introduced by Robbie Deans since 2008.
- Benn Robinson came off the bench in the 36th minute to make his 42nd Test appearance, becoming Australia's fifth most capped prop in his own right, moving ahead of Tony Daly. He marked the occasion by scoring his second Test try.
- The win secured Australia second position on the final International Rugby Board world rankings for 2010. Had the Wallabies lost, this standing would have been taken by South Africa.
- The seven tries scored saw the Wallabies end 2010 having tallied 49 tries from 15 Tests. This was second only to New Zealand for tries posted in Tests throughout the year.
- France suffered just its 16th defeat from the 49 Tests it had played at the Stade de France. Australia advanced its record to four wins from five appearances at the ground.
- This was just the fourth defeat that French coach Marc Lièvremont had sustained from 17 home matches in charge of the side since 2008. Australia became the first team to defeat France twice in France during that time.
- This was the 16th win Australia had achieved over European opposition from 21 matches under Robbie Deans, with four losses and one draw.
- Australia went beyond 1000 points scored from the 43 Tests under Deans' charge, finishing the game on 1047 at an average of 24.34 points per game.
- French lock Jerome Thion made his 50th Test appearance.



# **2010 Test Appearances**

(Overall Test career appear	ances in br	ackets)
Ben Alexander	6	(24)
Adam Ashley Cooper	14	(51)
Berrick Barnes	10	(31)
Kurtley Beale	13	(14)
Richard Brown	11	(23)
Luke Burgess	11	(32)
Mark Chisholm	10	(58)
Quade Cooper	13	(24)
Pek Cowan	1	(4)
Ben Daley	3	(3)
Rocky Elsom	15	(64)
Huia Edmonds	4	(4)
Anthony Faingaa	4	(4)
Saia Faingaa	11	(11)
Will Genia	11	(22)
Matt Giteau	13	(91)
Scott Higginbotham	1	(1)
Matt Hodgson	4	(4)
Rob Horne	6	(6)
Digby Ioane	3	(11)
Salesi Ma'afu	10	(10)
Pat McCabe	1	(1)
Ben McCalman	9	(9)
Drew Mitchell	14	(55)
Stephen Moore	9	(55)
Dean Mumm	13	(32)
James O'Connor	13	(27)
David Pocock	15	(30)
Tatafu Polota Nau	2	(25)
Benn Robinson	11	(42)
Nathan Sharpe	14	(93)
Rob Simmons	6	(6)
James Slipper	14	(14)
Lachie Turner	3	(14)

# 2010 Test Point-scoring

	Tries	Con	Pen	DG	Total	[Test Career]
Matt Giteau	2	20	18	-	104	[666]
James O'Connor	6	16	10	-	92	[119]
Drew Mitchell	9	-	-	-	45	[135]
Kurtley Beale	7	-	2	-	41	[41]
Quade Cooper	5	1	3	-	36	[41]
Berrick Barnes	-	2	6	-	22	[57]
Adam Ashley	,				20	[00]
Cooper	4	-	-	-	20	[80]
Rocky Elsom	4	-	-	-	20	[60]
Will Genia	3	-	-	-	15	[20]
Digby Ioane	2	-	-	-	10	[25]
Ben Alexander	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
Richard Brown	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
Luke Burgess	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
Huia Edmonds	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
Stephen Moore	1	-	-	-	5	[15]
Dean Mumm	1	-	-	-	5	[5]
Benn Robinson	1	-	-	-	5	[10]
Totals	49	39	39	-	440	

Opposition sides scored 33 tries, 26 conversions, and 44 penalty goals



# **UPCOMING MILESTONES**2011

### By Opponent -

**France** – Should Australia strike France in elimination play at the Rugby World Cup, the Wallabies will be chasing a record-equalling sixth consecutive win over the French. Australia has won its last five matches against France since Robbie Deans became Wallabies coach. A sixth consecutive win would tie the record achieved between 1993 and 2000. This run included success in the 1999 Rugby World Cup final.

**New Zealand** – Australia has not held the Bledisloe Cup since it was relinquished in 2003 during a nil-2 series loss to the then John Mitchell and Robbie Deans-coached All Blacks. The Wallabies last 'won' a Bledisloe Cup series against New Zealand 2-nil in 2001. 2011 sees the first two-match Test series between the two countries since 2007.

\* Just two players – David Campese (9) and Matthew Burke (7) have scored more than the six tries that Adam Ashley-Cooper has posted against the All Blacks.

**Tri Nations** – Australia last won the Tri Nations in 2001. It's only other success in the tournament was achieved the year before, when the match on South African soil was won in Durban – Australia's maiden Tri Nations win in the Republic. The Wallabies' away leg against the Springboks will again be in Durban this year. Australia was also successful on its last visit to King's Park in 2008, which was Robbie Deans's first match in South Africa as Wallabies coach.

\*The All Blacks have won the Tri Nations tournament on each of the three occasions to date when it has been held in a Rugby World Cup year – 1999, 2003 and 2007. None of those instances saw mid-year success translated into glory at the later Rugby World Cup. **England** – Should Australia strike England during the Rugby World Cup elimination section, it will be bidding to avoid falling to the Red Rose for the third time in succession. The only other occasion on which England has recorded three or more consecutive wins over Australia was between 2000 and 2003 when the men in white won five straight. The last of those five wins was achieved in extra time of the 2003 Rugby World Cup final.

### Appearances -

start 2011 within range of raising 100 Tests. By doing so they would become the fifth and sixth Australian players to have reached that milestone. Sharpe starts the year on 93 Test appearances and Giteau on 91. With a maximum of 12 Tests available up until the conclusion of the Rugby World Cup, Sharpe could advance to third on the all-time Australian appearance chart, surpassing David Campese (101) and Stephen Larkham (102). Giteau could also edge ahead of both players if Australia was to play 12 Tests, and he was to feature in all of them.

**50 Tests** – Benn Robinson (42) begins the year eight appearances shy of becoming the 36<sup>th</sup> Australian to feature in 50 Tests. He is the only Wallaby in sight of a half century of Tests this year after five players raised the milestone in 2010.



# UPCOMING MILESTONES 2011

### Most Capped by Position -

**Fullback** – The wonderfully versatile Adam Ashley-Cooper ended last year on 51 Tests, with 19 of those having been played from fullback. That leaves him within range of Australia's fifth most capped fullback, Arthur McGill (21). Marty Roebuck (23) and Roger Gould (25) are also possibilities to be surpassed.

**Flyhalf** – Quade Cooper has appeared 13 times for Australia at flyhalf in Tests. If he appears in a further 11 Tests in the position, he will advance beyond Elton Flatley (23) to become Australia's fifth most capped flyhalf. Twelve appearances would tie the fourth placed Mark Ella (25).

**Halfback** – Luke Burgess became the fourth most capped Australian halfback on the last Spring Tour, achieving his 32<sup>nd</sup> Test cap. Four more Tests would take him into third, beyond John Hipwell's Test career tally of 35 appearances. Will Genia (22) begins the year

within range of the sixth placed Ken Catchpole (27) and the fifth most capped Australian halfback, Chris Whitaker (28).

**No 8** – Wycliff Palu has appeared on the 36 occasions at the back of the Australian scrum. He needs another eight appearances to become the second most capped Australian No 8, advancing ahead of Tim Gavin (43).

**Prop** – Ben Robinson (42) is in sight of becoming just the third Australian prop to play 50 Test matches, following on from Al Baxter (69) and Ewen McKenzie (51). Robinson could surpass the McKenzie tally in 2011.

**Hooker** – Stephen Moore (55) is currently Australia's third most capped Test hooker, but could tie the second ranked Phil Kearns (67) if the Wallabies play 12 Tests this year and he features in all of them.





# INDIVIDUAL TEST WINS BY AUSTRALIAN PLAYERS (TO 1:7:11)

	Test Career	Caps	Caps	Wins			
George Gregan	1994-2007	139		93			
Stephen Larkham	1996-2007	96		68			
David Campese	1982-1996	101		67			
John Eales	1991-2001	86		66			
George Smith	2000-2009	110		65			
Joe Roff	1995-2004	86		61			
David Wilson	1992-2000	79		60			
Tim Horan	1989-2000	80		59			
Jason Little	1989-2000	75		58			
Matthew Burke	1993-2004	76		55			
Leading Current Players							
Nathan Sharpe	2002-		93	54			
Matt Giteau	2002-		91	51			





# AUSTRALIAN TEST TOP 10'S (TO 1:7:11)

# **Leading Australian Test Caps**

PLAYER	TEST CAREER	TEST DEBUT	POSITION	TOTAL TEST CAPS
GREGAN, G.M.	1994-2007	1994 v Italy, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	139
SMITH, GB	2000-09	2000 v France, Paris	Flanker/No 9	110
LARKHAM, S.J.	1996-2007	1996 v Wales, Sydney	Fullback/Flyhalf	102
CAMPESE, D.I.	1982-96	1982 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Wing	101
SHARPE, N.C	2002-	2002 v France, Melbourne	Lock	93
GITEAU, M.J.	2002-	2002 v England, London	Inside Centre	91
ROFF, J.W.	1995-04	1995 v Canada, Port Elizabeth	Fullback/Wing	86
EALES, J.A.	1991-01	1991 v Wales, Brisbane	Lock	86
HORAN, T.J.	1989-00	1989 v New Zealand, Auckland	Centre	80
MORTLOCK, S.A	2000-	2000 v Argentina, Brisbane	Centre	80

# **Leading Australian Test Captains**

PLAYER	TEST CAREER	TEST DEBUT	POSITION	TOTAL TEST CAPS	TESTS AS CAPTAIN
GREGAN, G.M.	1994-07	1994 v Italy, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	139	59
EALES, J.A.	1991-01	1991 v Wales, Brisbane	Lock	86	55
FARR-JONES, N.C.	1984-93	1984 v England, London	Scrumhalf	63	36
MORTLOCK, S.A	2000-	2000 v Argentina	Centre	80	28
ELSOM, R.D.	2005-	2005 v Samoa, Sydney	Flanker	59	20
SLACK, A.G.	1978-87	1978 v Wales, Brisbane	Centre	39	19
DAVIS, G.V.	1963-72	1963 v England, Sydney	Flanker	39	16
THORNETT, J.E.	1955-67	1955 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flanker	37	16
LYNAGH, M.P.	1984-95	1984 v Fiji, Suva	Centre	72	15
SHAW, A.A.	1973-82	1973 v Wales, Cardiff	Number 8	36	15



# AUSTRALIAN TEST TOP 10'S (TO 1:7:11)

# **Leading Australian Test Point Scorers**

PLAYER	TEST CAREER	POSITION	TOTAL TEST CAPS	TOTAL TEST POINTS	TRIES	CONS	PENS	DGs
LYNAGH, M.P.	1984-95	Centre	72	911	17	140	177	9
BURKE, M.C.	1993-04	Fullback/Centre	76	878	29	104	174	1
GITEAU, M.J.	2002-	Flyhalf/Inside Centre	91	666	28	100	104	4
MORTLOCK, S.A.	2000-	Centre/Wing	80	489	29	61	74	0
CAMPESE, D.I.	1982-96	Wing	101	315	64	8	7	2
ROFF, J.W.	1995-04	Fullback/Wing	86	244	30	20	18	0
LATHAM, C.E.	1998-07	Fullback	78	200	40	0	0	0
FLATLEY, E.J.	1997-	Flyhalf/Inside Centre	34	187	4	31	35	0
EALES, J.A.	1991-01	Lock	86	173	2	31	34	0
ROGERS, M.S.	2002-2006	Fullback/Centre	45	163	14	27	13	0

# **Leading Australian Test Try Scorers**

PLAYER	TEST CAREER	POSITION	TOTAL TEST CAPS	TOTAL TEST POINTS	TRIES
CAMPESE, D.I.	1982-96	Wing	101	315	64
LATHAM, C.E.	1998-07	Fullback	78	200	40
ROFF, J.W.	1995-04	Fullback/Wing	86	244	30
HORAN, T.J.	1989-00	Centre	80	140	30
TUQIRI, L.D.	2003-08	Wing	67	150	30
BURKE, M.C.	1993-04	Fullback/Centre	76	878	29
MORTLOCK, S.A.	2000-	Wing/Centre	80	489	29
GITEAU, MJ	2002-	Flyhalf	91	562	28
MITCHELL, D.A.	2005-	Wing/Fullback	55	120	26
LARKHAM, S.J.	1996-07	Fullback/Flyhalf	102	135	25
TUNE, B.N.	1996-02	Wing/Centre	47	120	24



# AUSTRALIAN TEST TOP 10'S (TO 1:7:11)

# **Leading Australian Scorers in a single Test**

PLAYER	YEAR	OPPONENT	SCORE	VENUE	POINTS
ROGERS, M.S	2003	Namibia	142-0	Adelaide	42 (2t,16c)
BURKE, M.C.	1996	Canada	74-9	Brisbane	39 (3t,9c,2p)
FLATLEY, E.J	2003	Romania	90-8	Brisbane	30 (1t,11c,1p)
MORTLOCK, S.A.	2000	South Africa	44-23	Melbourne	29 (2t, 2c, 5p)
O'CONNOR, J.D.	2010	France	59-16	Paris	29 (1t, 6c, 4p)
LYNAGH, M.P	1995	Argentina	53-7	Brisbane	28 (2t, 3c, 4p)
GITEAU, M.J.	2007	Fiji	55-12	Montpelier	27 (2t, 4c, 3p)
BURKE, M.C.	2001	British & Irish Lions	35-14	Melbourne	25 (1t, 1c, 6p)
BURKE, M.C.	1999	France	35-12	Cardiff	25 (2c, 7p)
BURKE, M.C.	1998	Scotland	45-3	Sydney	25 (1t,4c,4p)
LATHAM, C.E.	2003	Namibia	142-0	Adelaide	25 (5t)





# AUSTRALIAN RESULTS BY REFEREE – 2008 TO 2010

# Wayne Barnes (England): Won 4

Beat South Africa, 21-6, Brisbane, 2009 Beat Wales, 33-12, Cardiff, 2009 Beat South Africa, 41-39, Bloemfontein, 2010 Beat Wales, 25-16, Cardiff, 2010

# **Christophe Berdos (France): Won 2**

Beat Ireland, 18-12, Melbourne, 2008 Beat Italy, 32-14, Florence, 2010

# George Clancy (Ireland): Won 1

Beat South Africa, 30-13, Brisbane, 2010

# Peter Fitzgibbon (Ireland): Won 1

Beat Fiji, 49-3, Canberra, 2010

## Marius Jonker (South Africa): Won 2

Beat France, 34-13, Sydney, 2008 Beat England, 28-14, London, 2008

# Craig Joubert (South Africa): Won 2, Lost 4

Beat New Zealand, 34-19, Sydney, 2008
Beat France, 18-13, Paris, 2008
Lost to New Zealand, 16-22, Auckland, 2009
Lost to New Zealand, 6-33, Wellington, 2009
Lost to New Zealand, 28-49, Melbourne, 2010
Lost to England, 18-35, London, 2010

### Jonathan Kaplan (South Africa): Drawn 1, Lost 3

Lost to New Zealand, 24-28, Brisbane, 2008 Lost to New Zealand, 18-19, Sydney, 2009 Drew with Ireland, 20-20, Dublin, 2009 Lost to New Zealand, 10-20, Christchurch, 2010

### Mark Lawrence (South Africa): Lost: 3

Lost to New Zealand, 10-39, Auckland, 2008 Lost to New Zealand, 19-32, Tokyo, 2009 Lost to New Zealand, 22-23, Sydney, 2010

# Bryce Lawrence (New Zealand): Won 5, Lost 2

Beat South Africa, 16-9, Perth, 2008 Lost to South Africa, 8-53, Johannesburg, 2008 Beat Italy, 30-20, Padova, 2008 Lost to South Africa, 25-32, Perth, 2009 Beat England, 18-9, London, 2009 Beat Ireland, 22-15, Brisbane, 2010 Beat France, 59-16, Paris, 2010

### Alan Lewis (Ireland): Lost 2

Lost to New Zealand, 14-19, Hong Kong, 2008 Lost to Wales, 18-21, Cardiff, 2008

# Nigel Owens (Wales): Won 1

Beat England, 27-17, Perth, 2010

# Dave Pearson (England): Won 2

Beat Italy, 34-12, Melbourne, 2009 Beat France, 22-6, Sydney, 2009

# Romain Poite (France): Won 1, Lost 2

Beat Italy, 31-8, Canberra, 2008 Lost to Scotland, 8-9, Edinburgh, 2009 Lost to England, 20-21, Sydney, 2010-11-02

### Alain Rolland (Ireland): Won 1, lost 2

Lost to South Africa, 17-29, Cape Town, 2009 Lost to South Africa, 31-44, Pretoria, 2010 Beat New Zealand, 26-24, Hong Kong, 2010



# AUSTRALIAN RUGBY TEAM RECORDS (TO 1:7:11)

# **Test Breakdown by Opponent**

(includes all games given Test status by the ARU)

Opponent	Р	W	L	D	Win%
Argentina	17	12	4	1	70.6%
British & Irish Lions	12	3	9	0	25.0%
Canada	6	6	0	0	100.0%
England	40	23	16	1	57.5%
Fiji	19	16	2	1	84.2%
France	41	23	16	2	56.0%
Great Britain	8	2	6	0	25.0%
Ireland	29	20	8	1	68.9%
Italy	13	13	0	0	100.0%
Japan	4	4	0	0	100.0%
Korea Republic	1	1	0	0	100.0%
Namibia	1	1	0	0	100.0%
New Zealand	164	46	113	5	28.0%
New Zealand Maoris	16	8	6	2	50.0%
Pacific Islands	1	1	0	0	100.0%
Romania	3	3	0	0	100.0%
Samoa	4	4	0	0	100.0%
Scotland	26	18	8	0	69.2%
South Africa	74	29	44	1	39.1%
Spain	1	1	0	0	100.0%
Tonga	4	3	1	0	75.0%
USA	6	6	0	0	100.0%
Wales	30	19	10	1	63.3%
Total	520	262	243	15	50.3%



# AUSTRALIAN RUGBY TEAM RECORDS (TO 1:7:11)

## **Highest Score**

142 v Namibia (142-0) 2003 Adelaide [World Cup]

#### v Individual Countries

53 v Argentina (53-7) 1995 Brisbane & (53-6) 2000 Brisbane

35 v British & Irish Lions (35-14) 2001 Melbourne

74 v Canada (74-9) 1996 Brisbane

76 v England (76-0) 1998 Brisbane

66 v Fiji (66-20) 1998 Sydney

59 v France (59-16) 2010 Paris

46 v Ireland (46-10) 1999 Brisbane

69 v Italy (69-21) 2005 Melbourne

91 v Japan (91-3) 2007 Lyon [World Cup]

142 v Namibia (142-0) 2003 Adelaide [World Cup]

35 v New Zealand (35-39) 2000 Sydney

29 v Pacific Islanders (29-14) 2004 Adelaide

90 v Romania (90-8) 2003 Brisbane [World Cup]

74 v Samoa (74-7) 2005 Sydney

45 v Scotland (45-3) 1998 Sydney

49 v South Africa (49-0) 2006 Brisbane

65 v South Korea (65-18) 1987 Brisbane

92 v Spain (92-10) 2001 Madrid

74 v Tonga (74-0) 1998 Canberra

67 v United States (67-9) 1990 Brisbane

63 v Wales (63-6) 1991 Brisbane

# **Biggest Winning Points Margin**

142 v Namibia (142-0) 2003 Adelaide [World Cup]

### v Individual Countries

47 v Argentina (53-6) 2000 Brisbane

21 v British & Irish Lions (35-14) 2001 Melbourne

65 v Canada (74-9) 1996 Brisbane

76 v England (76-0) 1998 Brisbane

46 v Fiji (66-20) 1998 Sydney & (49-3), 2010 Canberra

46 v France (59-16) 2010 Paris

36 v Ireland (46-10) 1999 Brisbane

49 v Italy (55-6) 1988 Rome

88 v Japan (91-3) 2007 Lyon [World Cup]

142 v Namibia (142-0) 2003 Adelaide [World Cup]

21 v New Zealand (28-7) 1999 Sydney

15 v Pacific Islanders (29-14) 2004 Adelaide

82 v Romania (90-8) 2003 Brisbane [World Cup]

70 v Samoa (73-3) 1994 Sydney

42 v Scotland (45-3) 1998 Sydney

49 v South Africa (49-0) 2006 Brisbane

47 v South Korea (65-18) 1987 Brisbane

82 v Spain (92-10) 2001 Madrid

74 v Tonga (74-0) 1998 Canberra

58 v United States (67-9) 1990 Brisbane

57 v Wales (63-6) 1991 Brisbane

# **Highest Score by an Opposing Team**

61 by South Africa (22-61) 1997 Pretoria

# by Individual Countries

27 by Argentina (19-27) 1987 Buenos Aires

31 by British & Irish Lions (0-31) 1966 Brisbane

16 by Canada (43-16) 1993 Calgary

35 by England (18-35) 2010 Twickenham

28 by Fiji (52-28) 1985 Brisbane

34 by France (6-34) 1976 Paris

27 by Ireland (12-27) 1979 Brisbane

21 by Italy (69-21) 2005 Melbourne

25 by Japan (50-25) 1975 Brisbane

o by Namibia (142-o) 2003 Adelaide [World Cup]

50 by New Zealand (21-50) Sydney

14 by Pacific Islanders (29-14) 2004 Adelaide

9 by Romania (57-9) 1999 Belfast [World Cup]

13 by Samoa (25-13) 1998 Brisbane

24 by Scotland (15-24) 1981 Murrayfield

61 by South Africa (22-61) 1997 Pretoria

18 by South Korea (65-18) 1987 Brisbane

10 by Spain (92-10) 2001 Madrid

16 by Tonga (11-16) 1973 Brisbane

19 by United States (55-19) 1999 Limerick [World Cup]

28 by Wales (3-28) 1975 Cardiff

# **Biggest Losing Points Margin**

45 v South Africa (8-53) 2008 Johannesburg



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#### v Individual Countries

15 v Argentina (3-18) 1983 Brisbane
31 v British & Irish Lions (0-31) 1966 Brisbane
17 v England (3-20) 1973 Twickenham, (6-23) 1976
Twickenham & (18-35) 2010 Twickenham
2 v Fiji (15-17) 1952 Sydney & (16-18) 1954 Sydney
28 v France (6-34) 1976 Paris
15 v Ireland (12-27) 1979 Brisbane
37 v New Zealand (6-43) 1996 Wellington
9 v Scotland (15-24) 1981 Murrayfield
45 v South Africa (8-53) 2008 Johannesburg
5 v Tonga (11-16) 1973 Brisbane
25 v Wales (3-28) 1975 Cardiff

Australia has never lost to Canada, Italy, Japan, Namibia, the Pacific Islanders, Romania, Samoa, South Korea, Spain or the United States.

# **Most Tests as Captain**

59 by GM Gregan (2001-07)

# **Most Tries by Australia in a Test**

22 v Namibia (142-0) 2003 Adelaide [World Cup] \* including 1 penalty try

# **Most Tries against Australia in a Test**

9 by New Zealand (13-38) 1936 Dunedin

#### **Most Points in Tests**

911 by MP Lynagh in 72 matches (1984-95)

### Most Points in a Test match

42 by MS Rogers v Namibia 2003 Adelaide [World Cup]

#### Most Points in a Calendar Year

189 by MC Burke (1996)

#### **Most Tries in Tests**

64 by DI Campese in 101 matches (1982-96)

#### **Most Tries in a Test match**

5 by CE Latham v Namibia 2003 Adelaide [World Cup]

#### **Most Conversions in Tests**

140 by MP Lynagh (72 matches) 1984-95

#### Most Conversions in a Test match

16 by MS Rogers v Namibia 2003 Adelaide [World Cup]

# **Most Penalty Goals in Tests**

177 by MP Lynagh (72 matches) 1984-95

# Most Penalty Goals in a Test match

8 by MC Burke v South Africa 1999 Twickenham

# **Most Dropped Goals in Tests**

9 by PF Hawthorne (21 matches) 1962-76 9 by MP Lynagh (72 matches) 1984-95

### Most Dropped Goals in a Test match

3 by PF Hawthorne v England 1967 Twickenham

#### **Most Points on Tour**

154 by PE McLean (18 matches) 1975-76 British Isles

### **Most Points in a Test Series on Tour**

74 by MC Burke (4 matches) 1996 Europe [103 by EJ Flatley (6 matches) 2003 World Cup, Australia]

#### **Most Points in a Tour Match**

26 by AJ Leeds v Buller 1986 Westport 26 by MC Roebuck v French Barbarians 1993 Clement Ferrand

### **Most Tries on Tour**

23 by CJ Russell 1908-09 British Isles

### **Most Tries in a Test Series on Tour**

4 by G Cornelsen (3 matches) 1978 New Zealand 4 by MG Ella (4 matches) 1984 British Isles 6 by DI Campese (6 matches) 1991 World Cup, UK

#### **Most Tries in a Tour Match**

6 by JS Boyce v Wairarapa 1962 Masterton



# WORLD RECORDS 1871-2011 (TO 20:3:11)

These figures cover cap matches played by the 12 Executive Council Members of the IRB. Records set in matches played by other IRB member nations are listed in italics.

40 – G Jorge, Argentina v Brazil, 1993

40 – D Ohata, Japan v Chinese Taipei, 2002

40 – C Paterson, Scotland v Japan, 2004

39 – M Burke, Australia v Canada, 1996

#### **Most Consecutive Test Wins**

17 - New Zealand 1965-69

17 - South Africa 1997-98

# **Most Consecutive Tests without Defeat**

23 – New Zealand 1987-90

17 - New Zealand 1961-64

17 - New Zealand 1965-69

17 – South Africa 1997-98

# Most Points in a match - By a Team

155 – Japan v Chinese Taipei, 2002

152 – Argentina v Paraguay, 2002

147 – Argentina v Venezuela, 2004

145 – New Zealand v Japan, 1995

144 – Argentina v Paraguay, 2003

142 – Australia v Namibia, 2003

134 – Japan v Chinese Taipei, 1998

134 – England v Romania, 2001

134 – South Africa v Uruguay, 2005

120 – Japan v Chinese Taipei, 2002

119 - Tonga v Korea, 2003-04-03

Hong Kong scored 164 points against Singapore in 1994.

## Most Points in a match - By a Player

60 – T Kurihara, Japan v Chinese Taipei, 2002

50 – E Morgan, Argentina v Paraguay, 1973

45 – S Culhane, New Zealand v Japan, 1995

45 – J Nunez Piossek, Argentina v Paraguay, 2003

44 – G Hastings, Scotland v Ivory Coast, 1995

44 - C Hodgson, England v Romania, 2001

42 – M Rogers, Australia v Namibia, 2003

# Most Tries in a match - By a Team

24 – Argentina v Paraguay, 2002

24 – Argentina v Paraguay, 2003

23 – Japan v Chinese Taipei, 2002

23 – Argentina v Venezuela, 2004

22 – Australia v Namibia, 2003

21 – New Zealand v Japan, 1995

21 – South Africa v Uruguay, 2005

20 – Argentina v Brazil, 1989

20 - England v Romania, 2001

20 – Japan v Chinese Taipei, 1998

Hong Kong scored 26 tries against Singapore in 1994

# Most Tries in a match - By a Player

11 – U O'Farrell, Argentina v Brazil, 1951

9 – J Nunez Piossek Argentina v Paraguay, 2003

8 – G Jorge, Argentina v Brazil, 1993

8 – D Ohata, Japan v Chinese Taipei, 2002

6 – E Morgan, Argentina v Paraguay, 1973

6 – G Jorge, Argentina v Brazil, 1989

6 - M Ellis, New Zealand v Japan, 1995

6 – T Kurihara, Japan v Chinese Taipei, 2002

6 - T Chavhanga, South Africa v Uruguay, 2005

6 – D Ohata, Japan v Hong Kong, 2005

A Billington scored 10 tries for Hong Kong against Singapore in 1994



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### Most Conversions in a match – By a Team

20 - New Zealand v Japan, 1995

20 – Japan v Chinese Taipei, 2002

17 – Japan v Chinese Taipei, 1998

17 - Tonga v Korea, 2003

16 – Australia v Namibia 2003

16 – Argentina v Paraguay, 2002

16 – Argentina v Venezuela, 2004

15 – Argentina v Brazil, 1979

15 - England v Holland, 1998

15 – Japan v Chinese-Taipei, 2002

### Most Conversions in a match - By a Player

20 – S Culhane, New Zealand v Japan, 1995

17 – P Hola, Tonga v Korea, 2003

16 – J Cilley, Argentina v Paraguay, 2002

16 – M Rogers, Australia v Namibia, 2003

15 – T Kurihara, Japan v Chinese Taipei, 2002

15 - P Grayson, England v Holland, 1998

### Most Penalty Goals in a match – By a Team

9 – Japan v Tonga, 1999

9 – New Zealand v Australia, 1999

9 – Wales v France, 1999

9 – New Zealand v France, 2000

Portugal scored nine penalty goals against Georgia at Lisbon in 2000

### Most Penalty Goals in a match - By a Player

9 – K Hirose, Japan v Tonga, 1999

9 – A Mehrtens, New Zealand v Australia, 1999

9 – N Jenkins, Wales v France, 1999

9 – A Mehrtens, New Zealand v France, 2000

T Teixeira kicked nine penalty goals for Portugal against Georgia in 2000

### Most Dropped Goals in a match - By a Team

5 – South Africa v England, 1999

### Most Dropped Goals in a match - By a Player

5 – J de Beer, South Africa v England, 1999

### **Most Tests as Captain**

76 - J Smit (South Africa)

75 - B O'Driscoll (Ireland/Lions)

59 - W Carling (England)

59 – G Gregan (Australia)

55 – J Eales (Australia)

57 - R McCaw (New Zealand)

51 – S Fitzpatrick (New Zealand)

46 – H Porta (Argentina/Jaguars)

45 – M Johnson (England/Lions)

42 - F Pelous (France)

41 – L Arbizu (Argentina)

41 - R Ibanez (France)

37 - M Giovanelli (Italy)

36 – N Farr Jones (Australia)

36 - G Teichmann (South Africa)

36 - K Wood (Ireland)



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### **Most Test Appearances**

139 - G Gregan (Australia) 1994-2007

119 - J Leonard (England/Lions) 1990-2004

118 - F Pelous (France) 1995-2007

118 - B O'Driscoll (Ireland/Lions) 1999-

111 - P Sella (France) 1982-1995

110 - G Smith (Australia) 2000-09

110 - R O'Gara (Ireland) 2000-

105 - V Matfield (South Africa) 2003-

105 - S Jones (Wales/Lions) 1998-

104 - J Hayes (Ireland/Lions) 2000-

104 - C Paterson (Scotland) 1999-

103 – G Thomas (Wales/Lions) 1995-2007

102 – S Larkham (Australia) 1996-2007

102 - J Smit (South Africa) 2003-

102 - P Montgomery (South Africa) 1997-2008

101 - D Campese (Australia) 1982-1996

101 – A Troncon (Italy) 1994-2007

100 - M Williams (Wales/Lions) 1996-2010

### **Most Tries in Tests**

69 – D Ohata (Japan)

64 - D Campese (Australia)

### **Most Conversions in Tests**

208 – D Carter (New Zealand)

### **Most Penalty Goals in Tests**

248 - N Jenkins (Wales/Lions)

### **Most Dropped Goals in Tests**

33 – J Wilkinson (England/Lions)

### **Most Points in Tests**

1195 – J Wilkinson (England/Lions)

1188 – D Carter (New Zealand)

1090 - N Jenkins (Wales/Lions)

1010 – D Dominguez (Italy/Argentina)

1006 - R O'Gara (Ireland/Lions)

967 – A Mehrtens (New Zealand)

911 – M Lynagh (Australia)

893 - P Montgomery (South Africa)



PLAYER	TEST CAP No.	TEST CAREER	TEST DEBUT	POSITION	TOTAL TEST CAPS
CAREW, P.J.	1	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Prop	4
CARSON, J.	2	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Hooker	1
COLTON, A.J.	3	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Flanker	2
DAVIS, W.	4	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Lock	3
ELLIS, C.S.	5	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Flanker	4
EVANS, W.T.	6	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Centre	2
GRALTON, A.S.	7	1899-03	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Scrumhalf	3
KELLY, A.J.	8	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Number 8	1
McCOWAN, R.H.	9	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Fullback	3
MARKS, H.A.	10	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Lock	2
ROW, F.L.	11	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Centre	3
SPRAGG, A.S.	12	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Wing	4
TANNER, W.H.	13	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Prop	2
WARD, P.M.	14	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Flyhalf	4
WHITE, C.J.B.	15	1899-04	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Wing	3
CHALLONER, R.L.	16	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Number 8	1
CORFE, A.C.	17	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Flanker	1
CURRIE, E.W.	18	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	1
GRAHAM, C.S.	19	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Hooker	1
HENRY, A.R.	20	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Centre	1
STREET, N.O.	21	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Flanker	1
WARD, T.	22	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Wing	1
BARTON, R.F.D.	23	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Flanker	1
BOLAND, S.B.	24	1899-03	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Number 8	3
BOUFFLER, R.G.	25	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Prop	1
BOYD, A.	26	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Scrumhalf	1
COBB, W.G.	27	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Fullback	2



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MILLER, S.W.J.	28	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Wing	1
O'DONNELL, I.C.	29	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Flyhalf	2
WEBB, W.P.	30	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Hooker	2
HARDCASTLE, W.R.	31	1899-03	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Flanker	2
O'DONNELL, J.	32	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Prop	1
SAMPSON, J.H.	33	1899	1899 v Great Britain, Sydney	Number 8	1
BURDON, A.	34	1903-05	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	4
EVANS, L.J.	35	1903-04	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	3
JOYCE, J.E.	36	1903	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	1
JUDD, H.A.	37	1903-05	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	5
LARKIN, E.R.	38	1903	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Hooker	1
LUTGE, D.	39	1903-04	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	4
MAUND, J.W.	40	1903	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	1
NICHOLSON, F.V.	41	1903-04	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	2
REDWOOD, C.E.J.	42	1903-04	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	4
RILEY, S.A.	43	1903	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	1
WICKHAM, S.M.	44	1903-05	1903 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	5
BAKER, R.L.	45	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Scrumhalf	2
COLTON, T.J.	46	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Flanker	2
DORE, E.	47	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Hooker	1
HINDMARSH, J.A.	48	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Centre	1
RICHARDS, E.W.	49	1904-07	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Lock	5
VERGE, C.A.	50	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Fullback	2
WALSH, P.B.	51	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Number 8	3
CARMICHAEL, P.P.	52	1904-09	1904 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Centre	4
McKINNON, A.	53	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Lock	1
McLEAN, J.D.	54	1904-05	1904 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Centre	3



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MANNING, J.	55	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Flyhalf	1
OXENHAM, A.M.	56	1904-07	1904 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Prop	2
OXLADE, A.M.	57	1904-07	1904 v Great Britain, Brisbane	Hooker	4
DIXON, E.J.	58	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Lock	1
FINLEY, F.G.	59	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Scrumhalf	1
FUTTER, F.C.	60	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Centre	1
MEIBUSCH, J.H.	61	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Prop	1
NICHOLSON, F.C.	62	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Wing	1
WHITE, J.M.	63	1904	1904 v Great Britain, Sydney	Flanker	1
ANLEZARK, E.A.	64	1905	1905 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flyhalf	1
CLARKEN, J.C.	65	1905-10	1905 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Hooker	4
DORE, M.J.	66	1905	1905 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flyhalf	1
HIRSCHBERG, W.A.	67	1905	1905 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flanker	1
LUCAS, B.C.	68	1905	1905 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flanker	1
PENMAN, A.P.	69	1905	1905 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Fullback	1
SMITH, F.B.	70	1905-07	1905 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Centre	4
SMITH, L.M.	71	1905	1905 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Centre	1
SWANNELL, B.I.	72	1905	1905 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Number 8	1
BARNETT, J.T.	73	1907-09	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	5
BURGE, P.H.	74	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	3
DIX, W.	75	1907-09	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	4
FLANAGAN, P.	76	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	2
GRIFFIN, T.S.	77	1907-12	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Hooker	6
HUGHES, J.C.	78	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	2
McCUE, P.A.	79	1907-09	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	4
McKIVAT, C.H.	80	1907-09	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	4
ROSEWELL, J.S.	81	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	2



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ROW, N.E.	82	1907-10	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	6
RUSSELL, C.J.	83	1907-09	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	5
WATSON, G.W.	84	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1
WOOD, F.	85	1907-14	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Scrumhalf	12
GRAVES, R.H.	86	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	1
CANNIFFE, W.D.	87	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Lock	1
FIHELLY, J.A.	88	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Flanker	1
MANDIBLE, E.F.	89	1907-08	1907 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Flyhalf	3
MESSENGER, H.H.	90	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Wing	2
PARKINSON, C.E.	91	1907	1907 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Wing	1
BURGE, A.B.	92	1907-08	1907 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	2
CARROLL, D.B.	93	1908-12	1908 v Wales, Cardiff	Wing	2
CRAIG, R.R.	94	1908	1908 v Wales, Cardiff	Flanker	1
HAMMAND, C.A.	95	1908-09	1908 v Wales, Cardiff	Prop	2
HICKEY, J.J.	96	1908-09	1908 v Wales, Cardiff	Centre	2
MORAN, H.M.	97	1908	1908 v Wales, Cardiff	Number 8	1
PRENTICE, W.S.	98	1908-12	1908 v Wales, Cardiff	Flyhalf	6
RICHARDS, T.J.	99	1908-12	1908 v Wales, Cardiff	Flanker	3
GAVIN, K.A.	100	1909	1909 v England, Blackheath	Flanker	1
McARTHUR, M.	101	1909	1909 v England, Blackheath	Hooker	1
McCABE, A.J.	102	1909	1909 v England, Blackheath	Flyhalf	1
MIDDLETON, S.A.	103	1909-10	1909 v England, Blackheath	Lock	4
CAMPBELL, J.D.	104	1910	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	3
DUNBAR, A.R.	105	1910-12	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	4
DWYER, L.J.	106	1910-14	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	8
FARMER, E.H.	107	1910	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	1
GEORGE, H.W.	108	1910-14	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	8
GILBERT, H.	109	1910	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	3



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HODGENS, C.H.	110	1910	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	3
MURPHY, P.J.B.	111	1910-14	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	9
TIMBURY, F.R.V.	112	1910	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	2
STUART, R.	113	1910	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	2
REYNOLDS, L.J.	114	1910	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	2
SLATER, S.H.	115	1910	1910 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	1
ADAMSON, R.W.	116	1912	1912 v America All Stars, California	Flyhalf	1
FAHEY, E.J.	117	1912-14	1912 v America All Stars, California	Lock	4
KENT, A.W.	118	1912	1912 v America All Stars, California	Flanker	1
MEIBUSCH, L.S.	119	1912	1912 v America All Stars, California	Wing	1
MURPHY, W.	120	1912	1912 v America All Stars, California	Number 8	1
PUGH, G.H.	121	1912	1912 v America All Stars, California	Lock	1
WALKER, A.S.B.	122	1912-24	1912 v America All Stars, California	Scrumhalf	16
WATSON, W.T.	123	1912-20	1912 v America All Stars, California	Prop	8
CARR, E.T.A.	124	1913-14	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	6
CODY, E.A.	125	1913	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flanker	3
JONES, H.A.	126	1913	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Centre	3
McMAHON, M.J.	127	1913	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Fullback	1
O'DONNELL, C.A.	128	1913	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Hooker	2



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SUTTOR, D.C.	129	1913	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	3
TASKER, W.G.	130	1913-14	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flyhalf	6
THOMPSON, F.	131	1913-14	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Number 8	5
WALLACH, C.	132	1913-14	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Lock	5
WOGAN, L.W.	133	1913-24	1913 v New Zealand, Wellington	Centre	22
HORADAM, D.J.	134	1913	1913 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Prop	1
HUGHES, B.D.	135	1913	1913 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flanker	2
SIMPSON, R.J.	136	1913	1913 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Fullback	1
WILLIAMS, D.M.	137	1913-14	1913 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Hooker	4
BAKER, H.W.	138	1914	1914 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	3
FLYNN, J.P.	139	1914	1914 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	2
FRANCIS, E.	140	1914	1913 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Wing	2
THOMPSON, J.	141	1914	1913 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flanker	2
BIRT, R.S.W.	142	1914	1914 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Number 8	1
KREUTZER, S.D.	143	1914	1914 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Prop	1
MORRISSEY, W.	144	1914	1914 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Prop	1
BEITH, B.M.	145	1914-20	1914 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	4
MASSEY- WESTROPP, M.	146	1914	1914 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1
PRENTICE, C.W.	147	1914	1914 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	1
BOND, J.H.	148	1920-21	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Hooker	4
CHAMBERS, R.	149	1920	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	2
DAVIS, T.S.R.	150	1920-25	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	20
DUNN, V.A.	151	1920-21	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	7



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ELLIOTT, R.E.	152	1920-23	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	13
FOX, C.L.	153	1920-28	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	17
LAWTON, T.	154	1920-32	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	14
MARROTT, R.	155	1920	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	2
MAYNE, A.V.	156	1920-22	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	4
ORMISTON, I.W.L.	157	1920	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	3
RAYMOND, R.L.	158	1920-23	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	13
FARQUHAR, C.R.	159	1920	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	1
McKAY, G.R.	160	1920-22	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	6
WYLD, G.	161	1920	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	1
FRIEND, W.S.	162	1920-23	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	10
HUMPHREYS, O.W.	163	1920-25	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	6
MINGAY, N.	164	1920-23	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Scrumhalf	7
SHUTE, J.L.	165	1920-22	1920 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	3
CARR, E.W.	166	1921	1921 v South Africa, Sydney	Wing	4
FOWLES, D.G.	167	1921-23	1921 v South Africa, Sydney	Hooker	8
HOLDSWORTH, J.W.	168	1921-22	1921 v South Africa, Sydney	Lock	6
LANE, R.E.	169	1921	1921 v South Africa, Sydney	Wing	1
NOTHLING, O.E.	170	1921-24	1921 v South Africa, Sydney	Fullback	19
SHEEHAN, W.B.J.	171	1921-27	1921 v South Africa, Sydney	Centre	18
SMITH, T.S.	172	1921-25	1921 v South Africa, Sydney	Prop	12
THORN, A.M.	173	1921-22	1921 v South Africa, Sydney	Flanker	6
LOUDON, D.B.	174	1921-22	1921 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Flanker	4
STANLEY, R.G.	175	1921-24	1921 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Centre	14



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WALLACE, A.C.	176	1921-28	1921 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Wing	8
BLACKWOOD, J.G.	177	1922-28	1922 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Hooker	21
TAYLOR, J.M.	178	1922	1922 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Centre	2
THOMPSON, C.E.	179	1922-24	1922 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Prop	6
COONEY, R.C.	180	1922	1922 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Centre	1
FERGUSON, R.T.	181	1922-23	1922 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Lock	5
PIGGOTT, H.R.	182	1922	1922 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Number 8	1
BONNER, J.E.	183	1922-24	1922 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	8
NEWMAN, E.W.	184	1922	1922 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1
THORN, E.J.	185	1922-26	1922 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	15
MARROTT, W.	186	1922-23	1922 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	7
SMITH, N.C.	187	1922-25	1922 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	7
DOUGLAS, W.A.	188	1922	1922 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	1
ERBY, A.B.	189	1923-25	1923 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Prop	5
GEORGE, W.G.	190	1923-28	1923 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Flyhalf	12
PYM, J.F.	191	1923	1923 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Wing	1
TANCRED, H.E.	192	1923	1923 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Number 8	2
CROSSMAN, O.C.	193	1923-30	1923 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Wing	15
BOWERS, A.J.A.	194	1923-27	1923 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Wing	7



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BUCHANAN, P.N.	195	1923	1923 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Centre	2
GREATOREX, E.N.	196	1923-28	1923 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Number 8	8
ARMSTRONG, A.R.	197	1923	1923 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Number 8	2
ERASMUS, D.J.	198	1923	1923 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Wing	2
TAYLOR, H.C.	199	1923-24	1923 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Lock	4
LOUDON, R.B.	200	1923-34	1923 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Wing	13
BUNTINE, H.L.M.	201	1923-24	1923 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Centre	2
CRACKANTHORP, J.S.	202	1923	1923 v New Zealand, Wellington	Fullback	1
MEAGHER, F.W.	203	1923-27	1923 v New Zealand, Wellington	Scrumhalf	8
HOSKINS, J.E.	204	1924	1924 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	3
RITCHIE, E.V.	205	1924-25	1924 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	4
FOOTE, R.H.	206	1924-26	1924 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	3
ANDERSON, R.P.	207	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	1
BRYANT, H.W.	208	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	3
HILL, J.	209	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	1
RAINBOW, A.E.	210	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	1
ROSS, A.W.	211	1925-34	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	20
TOBY, A.E.	212	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	2
MULLIGAN, P.J.	213	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1
BONDFIELD, C.	214	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1
LAYCOCK, W.M.	215	1925-26	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	4
MORRISSEY, C.V.	216	1925-26	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	5
REID, E.J.	217	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	3
RIGNEY, W.A.	218	1925-26	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	3



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SHAW, C.H.	219	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	3
SNELL, H.W.	220	1925-28	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Scrumhalf	3
TARLETON, K.	221	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Hooker	2
BRECKENRIDGE, J.W.	222	1925-30	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	11
JAMIESON, A.E.	223	1925	1925 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1
FORD, J.A.	224	1925-30	1925 v New Zealand, Auckland	Number 8	11
JUDD, P.B.	225	1925-31	1925 v New Zealand, Auckland	Lock	11
WOODS, H.F.	226	1925-28	1925 v New Zealand, Auckland	Prop	8
FINLAY, A.N.	227	1926-30	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	12
IVES, W.N.	228	1926-29	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	5
KING, S.C.	229	1926-32	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	14
TOWERS, C.H.T.	230	1926-37	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	19
TANCRED, J.L.	231	1926-28	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	3
TELFORD, D.G.	232	1926	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	1
BOWDEN, R.	233	1926	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	1
COMRIE- THOMSON, I.R.	234	1926-28	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Hooker	5
DUNCAN, J.L.	235	1926	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Scrumhalf	1
MACKAY, G.	236	1926	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	1
McLAREN, S.D.	237	1926	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1
STOREY, G.P.	238	1926-30	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	8
RYLANCE, M.H.	239	1926	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1
FORD, E.E.	240	1927-29	1927 v Ireland, Dublin	Wing	7
TANCRED, A.J.	241	1927	1926 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	3
MALCOLM, S.J.	242	1927-34	1927 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Scrumhalf	18
BLAIR, M.R.	243	1928-31	1928 v France, Paris	Prop	3
BARDSLEY, E.J.	244	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Number 8	3



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BURGE, R.	245	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Centre	4
CERUTTI, W.H.	246	1928-37	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	21
LAMB, J.S.	247	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Lock	3
O'CONNOR, J.A.	248	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Lock	4
O'DONNELL, J.B.	249	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	3
ROSENBLUM, M.E.	250	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flanker	4
SMAIRL, A.M.	251	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	3
WESTFIELD, R.E.	252	1928-29	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Fullback	6
WHITE, W.J.	253	1928-32	1928 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	3
HEMINGWAY, W.H.	254	1928-32	1928 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Wing	5
MUNSIE, A.C.	255	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Number 8	1
PHIPPS, W.J.F.	256	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Prop	1
BLAND, G.V.	257	1928-33	1928 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Lock	9
CALDWELL, B.C.	258	1928	1928 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Centre	1
BULL, D.	259	1928	1928 v New Zealand Maoris, Wellington	Centre	1
CROFT, B.H.D.	260	1928	1928 v New Zealand Maoris, Wellington	Wing	1
BONIS, E.T.	261	1929-38	1929 v New Zealand, Sydney	Hooker	21
GORDON, G.C.	262	1929	1929 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1



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HAMALAINEN, H.A.	263	1929	1929 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	3
PALFREYMAN, J.R.L.	264	1929-32	1929 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	4
THOMPSON, E.G.	265	1929-30	1929 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	4
THORPE, A.C.	266	1929	1929 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	1
McGHIE, G.H.	267	1929-30	1929 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Wing	3
STURTRIDGE, G.S.	268	1929-33	1929 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Centre	9
BENNETT, W.G.	269	1931-33	1931 v New Zealand Moaris, Palmerston North	Scrumhalf	4
BRIDLE, O.L.	270	1931-36	1931 v New Zealand Maoris, Palmerston North	Flanker	12
CLARK, J.G.	271	1931-33	1931 v New Zealand Maoris, Palmerston North	Flanker	5
HERD, H.V.	272	1931	1931 v New Zealand Maoris, Palmerston North	Centre	1
PERRIN, T.D.	273	1931	1931 v New Zealand Maoris, Palmerston North	Number 8	2
STEGGALL, J.C.	274	1931-33	1931 v New Zealand Maoris, Palmerston North	Flyhalf	10
TOLHURST, H.A.	275	1931	1931 v New Zealand Maoris, Palmerston North	Wing	2
WHITE, M.C.	276	1931-33	1931 v New Zealand Maoris, Palmerston North	Lock	9
COWPER, D.L.	277	1931-33	1931 v New Zealand, Auckland	Centre	9
COOKE, G.M.	278	1932-48	1932 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	13
LOVE, E.W.	279	1932	1932 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	3
DUNLOP, E.E.	280	1932-34	1932 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	2
LINDSAY, R.T.G.	281	1932	1932 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	1
BIILMANN, R.R.	282	1933	1933 v South Africa, Cape Town	Flyhalf	4



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KELAHER, J.D.	283	1933-38	1933 v South Africa, Cape Town	Wing	13
MACKNEY, W.A.R.	284	1933-34	1933 v South Africa, Cape Town	Number 8	4
McLEAN, A.D.	285	1933-36	1933 v South Africa, Cape Town	Wing	10
WHITE, W.G.S.	286	1933-36	1933 v South Africa, Cape Town	Lock	10
HODGSON, A.J.	287	1933-38	1933 v South Africa, Durban	Flanker	11
BERMINGHAM, J.V.	288	1934-37	1934 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	3
HAYES, E.S.	289	1934-38	1934 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	5
JESSEP, E.M.	290	1934	1934 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	2
LEWIS, L.S.	291	1934-38	1934 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	4
WALDEN, R.J.	292	1934-36	1934 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	4
GIBBONS, E.deC.	293	1936	1936 v New Zealand, Wellington	Scrumhalf	3
HUTCHINSON, F.E.	294	1936-38	1936 v New Zealand, Wellington	Lock	4
KELLY, R.L.F.	295	1936-38	1936 v New Zealand, Wellington	Number 8	7
McLAUGHLIN, R.E.M.	296	1936	1936 v New Zealand, Wellington	Centre	2
MALONE, J.H.	297	1936-37	1936 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	4
PAULING, T.P.	298	1936-37	1936 v New Zealand, Wellington	Centre	2
RANKIN, R.	299	1936-38	1936 v New Zealand, Wellington	Fullback	7
RICHARDS, V.	300	1936-38	1936 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flyhalf	5
STOREY, K.P.	301	1936	1936 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Fullback	1



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DORR, R.W.	302	1936-37	1936 v New Zealand Maoris, Palmerston North	Wing	2
RAMSAY, K.M.	303	1936-38	1936 v New Zealand Maoris, Palmerston North	Flanker	4
HUTCHINSON, E.E.	304	1937	1937 v South Africa, Sydney	Lock	2
McSHANE, J.M.S.	305	1937	1937 v South Africa, Sydney	Scrumhalf	2
WILSON, V.W.	306	1937-38	1937 v South Africa, Sydney	Lock	5
WINDON, K.S.	307	1937-46	1937 v South Africa, Sydney	Flanker	3
COLLINS, P.K.	308	1937-38	1937 v South Africa, Sydney	Flyhalf	3
HAMMON, J.D.C.	309	1937	1937 v South Africa, Sydney	Centre	1
O'BRIEN, F.W.H.	310	1937-38	1937 v South Africa, Sydney	Wing	2
STONE, A.H.	311	1937-38	1937 v South Africa, Sydney	Hooker	3
CARPENTER, M.G.	312	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	2
HOWARD, J.	313	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	2
KERR, F.R.	314	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	1
OXLADE, B.D.	315	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	3
STONE, C.G.	316	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Sydney	Scrumhalf	1
IDE, W.P.J.	317	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Centre	2
LANG, C.W.P.	318	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Prop	2
McDONALD, J.C.	319	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Flanker	2
MONTI, C.I.A.	320	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Lock	1
RAMALLI, C.	321	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	2
CLIFFORD, M.	322	1938	1938 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	1
ALLAN, T.	323	1946-49	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Centre	14
BUCHAN, A.J.	324	1946-49	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Number 8	10
CREMIN, J.F.	325	1946-47	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flyhalf	3
DAWSON, W.L.	326	1946	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Hooker	2



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EASTES, C.C.	327	1946-49	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Wing	6
HARDCASTLE, P.A.	328	1946-49	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Lock	5
JOHNSON, A.P.	329	1946	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Centre	2
LIVERMORE, A.E.	330	1946	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flanker	2
MacBRIDE, J.W.T.	331	1946-48	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Wing	10
McLEAN, W.M.	332	1946-47	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Lock	5
McMASTER, R.E.	333	1946-47	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Prop	7
PIPER, B.J.C.	334	1946-49	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Fullback	12
SCHULTE, B.G.	335	1946	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Scrumhalf	2
TWEEDALE, E.	336	1946-49	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Prop	10
WINDON, C.J.	337	1946-52	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flanker	20
FREEMAN, E.	338	1946	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Prop	2
HOWELL, M.L.	339	1946-47	1946 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Centre	5
BANNON, D.P.	340	1946	1946 v New Zealand Maoris, Hamilton	Flyhalf	1
FURNESS, D.C.	341	1946	1946 v New Zealand Maoris, Hamilton	Hooker	1
HAMILTON, B.G.	342	1946	1946 v New Zealand Maoris, Hamilton	Lock	1
STONE, J.M.	343	1946	1946 v New Zealand Maoris, Hamilton	Wing	2
BURKE, C.T.	344	1946-56	1946 v New Zealand, Auckland	Scrumhalf	26
CORNFORTH, R.G.W.	345	1947-50	1947 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Flanker	2
KEARNEY, K.H.	346	1947-48	1947 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Hooker	7
KELLER, D.H.	347	1947-48	1947 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Prop	6
WALKER, A.K.	348	1947-50	1947 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Centre	5
BOURKE, T.K.	349	1947	1947 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	1
EMERY, N.A.	350	1947-49	1947 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	10



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KRAEFFT, D.F.	351	1947-48	1947 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	6
SHEHADIE, N.M.	352	1947-58	1947 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	30
WINDSOR, J.C.	353	1947	1947 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	1
DAVIS, E.H.	354	1947-49	1947 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Prop	4
TONKIN, A.E.J.	355	1947-50	1947 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Wing	6
BAXTER, A.J.	356	1949-52	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Prop	9
BLOMLEY, J.	357	1949-50	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Centre	7
BROAD, E.G.	358	1949	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Flyhalf	1
CAWSEY, R.M.	359	1949	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Scrumhalf	3
COTTRELL, N.V.	360	1949-52	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Hooker	14
CROSS, K.A.	361	1949-57	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Flanker	19
HARVEY, P.B.	362	1949	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Number 8	2
MARSHALL, J.S.	363	1949	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Wing	1
BROCKHOFF, J.D.	364	1949-51	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Brisbane	Flanker	8
FOGARTY, J.R.	365	1949	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Brisbane	Wing	2
SOLOMON, H.J.	366	1949-55	1949 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Wing	14
DAVIS, C.C.	367	1949-51	1949 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	4
GARNER, R.L.	368	1949	1949 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	2
MOSSOP, R.P.	369	1949-51	1949 v New Zealand, Wellington	Lock	5



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WILSON, B.J.	370	1949	1949 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	2
GARDNER, W.C.	371	1950	1950 v British Isles, Brisbane	Fullback	1
GORDON, K.M.	372	1950	1950 v British Isles, Brisbane	Prop	2
HILLS, E.F.	373	1950	1950 v British Isles, Brisbane	Wing	2
MacMILLAN, D.I.	374	1950	1950 v British Isles, Brisbane	Flanker	2
McCARTHY, F.J.C.	375	1950	1950 v British Isles, Brisbane	Prop	1
THOMPSON, P.D.	376	1950	1950 v British Isles, Brisbane	Wing	1
COSTELLO, P.P.S.	377	1950	1950 v British Isles, Sydney	Fullback	1
CAMERON, A.S.	378	1951-58	1951 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	20
GUDSELL, K.E.	379	1951	1951 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	3
PRIMMER, C.J.	380	1951	1951 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	2
ROTHWELL, P.R.	381	1951-52	1951 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	4
STAPLETON, E.T.	382	1951-58	1951 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	16
TOOTH, R.M.	383	1951-57	1951 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	10
WINNING, K.C.	384	1951	1951 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	1
BETTS, T.N.	385	1951-54	1951 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	3
TATE, M.J.	386	1951-54	1951 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Centre	8
BARKER, H.S.	387	1952-54	1952 v Fiji, Sydney	Centre	7
COX, B.P.	388	1952-57	1952 v Fiji, Sydney	Wing	9
DAVIDSON, R.A.L.	389	1952-58	1952 v Fiji, Sydney	Prop	13
HATHERELL, W.I.	390	1952	1952 v Fiji, Sydney	Prop	2
JOHNSON, B.B.	391	1952-55	1952 v Fiji, Sydney	Flanker	9
JONES, G.G.	392	1952-56	1952 v Fiji, Sydney	Wing	12
MILLER, A.R.	393	1952-67	1952 v Fiji, Sydney	Number 8	41
COLBERT, R.	394	1952-53	1952 v Fiji, Sydney	Fullback	6
O'NEILL, J.M.	395	1952-56	1952 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Wing	4



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BOSLER, J.M.	396	1953	1953 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Scrumhalf	1
CARROLL, J.C.	397	1953	1953 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Number 8	1
HUGHES, N.McL.	398	1953-58	1953 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Flanker	14
PHIPPS, J.A.	399	1953-56	1953 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Centre	11
SWEENEY, T.L.	400	1953	1953 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Fullback	1
WALSH, J.A.	401	1953	1953 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Hooker	4
BROWN, S.W.	402	1953	1953 v South Africa, Cape Town	Flyhalf	3
FORBES, C.F.	403	1953-56	1953 v South Africa, Cape Town	Prop	6
HEINRICH, V.W.	404	1954	1954 v Fiji, Brisbane	Number 8	2
MOONEY, T.P.	405	1954	1954 v Fiji, Brisbane	Hooker	2
PASHLEY, J.J.	406	1954-58	1954 v Fiji, Brisbane	Flanker	5
HORSLEY, G.R.	407	1954	1954 v Fiji, Sydney	Wing	1
ADAMS, N.J.	408	1955	1955 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	1
CROSS, J.R.	409	1955	1955 v New Zealand, Wellington	Hooker	3
THORNETT, J.E.	410	1955-67	1955 v New Zealand <b>,</b> Wellington	Flanker	37
DAVIS, G.W.	411	1955	1955 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flyhalf	2
PHELPS, R.	412	1955-62	1955 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Fullback	23
STRACHAN, D.J.	413	1955	1955 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Prop	2
BROWN, J.V.	414	1956-58	1956 v South Africa, Sydney	Hooker	9
SHEIL, A.G.R.	415	1956	1956 v South Africa, Sydney	Flyhalf	1



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WHITE, S.W.	416	1956-58	1956 v South Africa, Sydney	Centre	7
ROBERTS, B.T.	417	1956	1956 v South Africa, Brisbane	Wing	1
CURLEY, T.G.P.	418	1957-58	1957 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	11
DONALD, K.J.	419	1957-59	1957 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	9
ELLIOTT, F.M.	420	1957	1957 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	1
FENWICKE, P.T.	421	1957-59	1957 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	6
MORTON, A.R.	422	1957-59	1957 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	11
POTTS, J.M.	423	1957-59	1957 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	5
WILSON, C.R.	424	1957-58	1957 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	4
EMANUEL, D.M.	425	1957-58	1957 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Flanker	9
FORD, B.W.	426	1957	1957 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Wing	1
GUNTHER, W.J.	427	1957	1957 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Number 8	1
LATIMER, N.B.	428	1957	1957 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Lock	1
CONNOR, D.M.	429	1958-59	1958 v Wales, Cardiff	Scrumhalf	12
LENEHAN, J.K.M.	430	1958-67	1958 v Wales, Cardiff	Centre	24
SUMMONS, A.J.	431	1958-59	1958 v Wales, Cardiff	Flyhalf	10
RYAN, K.J.	432	1958	1958 v England, London	Number 8	5
VAUGHAN, G.N.	433	1958	1958 v Wales, Cardiff	Prop	6
PURKISS, E.M.	434	1958	1958 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Flanker	2
FOX, O.G.	435	1958	1958 v France, Paris	Wing	1
HARVEY, R.M.	436	1958	1958 v France, Paris	Flyhalf	2
YANZ, K.	437	1958	1958 v France, Paris	Flanker	1
BOYD, A.F.M.	438	1958	1958 v New Zealand Maoris, Brisbane	Wing	1
LOGAN, D.L.	439	1958	1958 v New Zealand Maoris, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	1
MEADOWS, R.W.	440	1958	1958 v New Zealand Maoris, Brisbane	Hooker	6



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WELLS, B.G.	441	1958	1958 v New Zealand Maoris, Brisbane	Flyhalf	1
CARROLL, J.H.	442	1958-59	1958 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Number 8	7
JAMES, P.M.	443	1958	1958 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Centre	2
LARKIN, K.K.	444	1958	1958 v New Zealand Maoris, Sydney	Prop	2
DUNN, P.K.	445	1958-59	1958 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	5
ELLIS, K.J.	446	1958-59	1958 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	5
ELLWOOD, B.J.	447	1958-66	1958 v New Zealand, Wellington	Centre	20
LOWTH, D.R.	448	1958	1958 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flanker	1
WHITE, J.P.L.	449	1958-65	1958 v New Zealand, Wellington	Lock	24
KAY, A.R.	450	1958-59	1958 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Centre	2
BAXTER, T.J.	451	1958	1958 v New Zealand, Auckland	Centre	1
DIETT, L.J.	452	1959	1959 v British Isles, Brisbane	Centre	2
JOHNSON, P.G.	453	1959-71	1959 v British Isles, Brisbane	Hooker	42
OUTTERSIDE, R.	454	1959	1959 v British Isles, Brisbane	Number 8	2
CATCHPOLE, K.W.	455	1961-68	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	27
CLEARY, M.A.	456	1961	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Wing	6
DOWSE, J.H.	457	1961	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Flyhalf	4
HEINRICH, E.L.	458	1961-63	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Flanker	10
LISLE, R.J.	459	1961	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Centre	4
MacDOUGALL, G.D.	460	1961	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Lock	2
MAGRATH, E.	461	1961	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Wing	3



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O'GORMAN, J.F.	462	1961-67	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Number 8	18
REID, T.W.	463	1961-62	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Flanker	5
ROBERTS, H.F.	464	1961	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Centre	4
THORNETT, R.N.	465	1961-62	1961 v Fiji, Brisbane	Lock	11
HEMING, R.J.	466	1961-67	1961 v Fiji, Sydney	Lock	21
POTTER, R.T.	467	1961	1961 v Fiji, Sydney	Wing	1
TURNBULL, A.R.T.	468	1961	1961 v Fiji, Melbourne	Wing	1
BOYCE, E.S.	469	1962-67	1962 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Wing	13
McDERMOTT, L.C.	470	1962	1962 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Wing	2
MILLER, J.M.	471	1962-67	1962 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Lock	6
PERRIN, P.D.	472	1962	1962 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Lock	1
SCOTT, P.R.	473	1962	1962 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Centre	2
STOREY, N.J.D.	474	1962	1962 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Flyhalf	1
BOYCE, J.S.	475	1962-65	1962 v New Zealand, Wellington	Centre	12
CHAPMAN, G.A.	476	1962	1962 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flanker	3
DOUGLAS, J.A.	477	1962	1962 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	3
FREEDMAN, J.E.	478	1962-63	1962 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	4
HAWTHORNE, P.F.	479	1962-67	1962 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flyhalf	21
McMULLEN, K.V.	480	1962-63	1962 v New Zealand, Wellington	Scrumhalf	4
WALSHAM, K.P.	481	1962-63	1962 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	2
CRITTLE, C.P.	482	1962-67	1962 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flanker	15
MARKS, R.J.P.	483	1962-67	1962 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Centre	17
AUSTIN, L.R.	484	1963	1963 v England, Sydney	Prop	1
DAVIS, G.V.	485	1963-72	1963 v England, Sydney	Flanker	39



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JONES, P.A.	486	1963	1963 v England, Sydney	Centre	2
RYAN, P.F.	487	1963-66	1963 v England, Sydney	Fullback	4
WILLIAMS, J.L.	488	1963	1963 v South Africa, Pretoria	Wing	3
CASEY, T.V.	489	1963-64	1963 v South Africa, Cape Town	Fullback	6
GUERASSIMOFF, J.	490	1963-67	1963 v South Africa, Cape Town	Flanker	12
MOUTRAY, I.E.J.	491	1963	1963 v South Africa, Cape Town	Centre	1
HONAN, R.E.	492	1964	1964 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Centre	2
O'NEILL, D.J.	493	1964	1964 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Number 8	2
GRIMMOND, D.N.	494	1964	1964 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Wing	1
SHEPHERD, D.J.	495	1964-66	1964 v New Zealand, Wellington	Number 8	5
CARDY, A.M.	496	1966-68	1966 v British Isles, Sydney	Wing	9
RUEBNER, G.	497	1966	1966 v British Isles, Sydney	Wing	2
TRIVETT, R.K.	498	1966	1966 v British Isles, Sydney	Centre	2
BRASS, J.E.	499	1966-68	1966 v British Isles, Brisbane	Centre	12
PURCELL, M.P.	500	1966-67	1966 v Wales, Cardiff	Flanker	3
TEITZEL, R.G.	501	1966-67	1966 v Wales, Cardiff	Lock	7
GIBBS, P.R.	502	1966	1966 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Flyhalf	1
PROSSER, R.B.	503	1967-72	1967 v England, London	Prop	25
HOW, R.A.	504	1967	1967 v Ireland, Sydney	Wing	1
ROSE, H.A.	505	1967-70	1967 v Ireland, Sydney	Flanker	13
ABRAHAMS, A.M.F.	506	1967-69	1967 v New Zealand, Wellington	Lock	3
BATTERHAM, R.P.	507	1967-70	1967 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	2
MANNING, R.C.S.	508	1967	1967 v New Zealand, Wellington	Fullback	1



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PROCTER, I.J.	509	1967	1967 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	1
SAYLE, J.L.	510	1967	1967 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flanker	1
SMITH, P.V.	511	1967-69	1967 v New Zealand, Wellington	Centre	8
BALLESTY, J.P.	512	1968-69	1968 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	9
COLE, J.W.	513	1968-74	1968 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	24
McGILL, A.N.	514	1968-73	1968 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	21
REILLY, N.P.	515	1968-69	1968 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	10
ROXBURGH, J.R.	516	1968-70	1968 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	9
TAYLOR, D.A.	517	1968	1968 v New Zealand, Sydney	Number 8	5
HONAN, B.D.	518	1968-69	1968 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre	9
HIPWELL, J.N.B.	519	1968-82	1968 v New Zealand, Sydney	Scrumhalf	36
GREGORY, S.C.	520	1968-73	1968 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Lock	16
POPE, A.M.	521	1968	1968 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Centre	1
FORMAN, T.R.	522	1968-69	1968 v Ireland, Dublin	Wing	7
TURNBULL, R.V.	523	1968	1968 v Ireland, Dublin	Prop	1
BELL, K.R.	524	1968	1968 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Prop	1
DARVENIZA, P.	525	1969	1969 v Wales, Sydney	Hooker	4
SHAW, G.A.	526	1969-79	1969 v Wales, Sydney	Centre	27
SKINNER, A.J.	527	1969-70	1969 v Wales, Sydney	Number 8	3
BUTLER, O.F.	528	1969-71	1969 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Lock	7
ROSENBLUM, R.G.	529	1969-70	1969 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Flyhalf	3
TAAFE, B.S.	530	1969-72	1969 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Hooker	3
KELLEHER, R.J.	531	1969	1969 v South Africa, Durban	Flanker	2
KNIGHT, S.O.	532	1969-71	1969 v South Africa, Durban	Centre	6



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McDONALD, B.S.	533	1969-70	1969 v South Africa, Bloemfontein	Flanker	2
HOWARD, J.L.	534	1970-73	1970 v Scotland, Sydney	Prop	7
McLEAN, R.A.	535	1971	1971 v South Africa, Sydney	Number 8	5
RICHARDSON, G.C.	536	1971-73	1971 v South Africa, Sydney	Flyhalf	9
SMITH, R.A.	537	1971-76	1971 v South Africa, Sydney	Lock	22
SULLIVAN, P.D.	538	1971-73	1971 v South Africa, Sydney	Flanker	13
TAYLOR, J.I.	539	1971-72	1971 v South Africa, Sydney	Wing	4
FAY, G.	540	1971-79	1971 v South Africa, Brisbane	Lock	24
McLEAN, J.J.	541	1971-74	1971 v South Africa, Brisbane	Wing	13
BARRY, M.J.	542	1971	1971 v South Africa, Sydney	Scrumhalf	1
MacDOUGALL, S.G.	543	1971-76	1971 v South Africa, Sydney	Prop	8
THOMPSON, R.J.	544	1971-72	1971 v South Africa, Sydney	Hooker	3
DUNWORTH, D.A.	545	1971-76	1971 v France, Toulouse	Prop	5
FAIRFAX, R.L.	546	1971-73	1971 v France, Toulouse	Flyhalf	8
L'ESTRANGE, R.D.	547	1971-76	1971 v France, Toulouse	Centre	16
BURNET, D.R.	548	1972	1972 v France, Sydney	Centre	6
COCKS, M.R.	549	1972-75	1972 v France, Sydney	Number 8	10
RATHIE, D.S.	550	1972	1972 v France, Sydney	Centre	2
GREY, G.O.	551	1972	1972 v France, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	5
BROWN, B.R.	552	1972	1972 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	2
FRENEY, M.E.	553	1972-73	1972 v New Zealand, Wellington	Hooker	6
GELLING, A.M.	554	1972	1972 v New Zealand, Wellington	Number 8	2
STUMBLES, B.D.	555	1972	1972 v New Zealand, Wellington	Flanker	4



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CORNES, J.R.	556	1972	1972 v Fiji, Suva	Scrumhalf	1
ROWLES, P.G.	557	1972-73	1972 v Fiji, Suva	Centre	2
WOOD, R.N.	558	1972	1972 v Fiji, Suva	Lock	1
GRAHAM, R.	559	1973-76	1973 v Tonga, Sydney	Prop	18
LOANE, M.E.	560	1973-82	1973 v Tonga, Sydney	Number 8	28
STEGMAN, T.R.	561	1973	1973 v Tonga, Sydney	Centre	2
STEPHENS, O.G.	562	1973-74	1973 v Tonga, Sydney	Wing	5
CARBERRY, C.M.	563	1973-82	1973 v Tonga, Brisbane	Hooker	13
TINDALL, E.N.	564	1973	1973 v Tonga, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	1
SHAW, A.A.	565	1973-82	1973 v Wales, Cardiff	Number 8	36
BATTISHALL, B.R.	566	1973	1973 v England, London	Flanker	1
MONAGHAN, L.E.	567	1973-79	1973 v England, London	Wing	17
DAVIS, R.A.	568	1974	1974 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	3
HORTON, P.A.	569	1974-79	1974 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock	19
LAMBIE, J.K.	570	1974-75	1974 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	4
McLEAN, P.E.	571	1974-82	1974 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	30
MEADOWS, J.E.C.	572	1974-83	1974 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	22
PRICE, R.A.	573	1974-76	1974 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	8
CORNELSEN, G.	574	1974-82	1974 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Flanker	25
BROWN, R.C.	575	1975	1975 v England, Sydney	Fullback	2
FINNANE, S.C.	576	1975-78	1975 v England, Sydney	Prop	6
OSBORNE, D.H.	577	1975	1975 v England, Sydney	Wing	3
WEATHERSTONE, L.J.	578	1975-76	1975 v England, Sydney	Centre	7
WRIGHT, K.J.	579	1975-78	1975 v England, Sydney	Flyhalf	9
ROBERTSON, I.J.	580	1975	1975 v Japan, Sydney	Wing	2
HAUSER, R.G.	581	1975-79	1975 v Japan, Sydney	Scrumhalf	15
HINDMARSH, J.C.	582	1975-76	1975 v Japan, Brisbane	Fullback	9



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MANSFIELD, B.W.	583	1975	1975 v Japan, Brisbane	Lock	1
RYAN, J.R.	584	1975-76	1975 v Japan, Brisbane	Wing	6
BATCH, P.G.	585	1975-79	1975 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Wing	14
BERNE, J.E.	586	1975	1975 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Centre	1
HILLHOUSE, D.W.	587	1975-83	1975 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Number 8	16
PEARSE, G.K.	588	1975-78	1975 v Wales, Cardiff	Flanker	9
McKID, W.A.	589	1976-79	1976 v England, London	Centre	6
SHAMBROOK, G.G.	590	1976	1976 v Fiji, Brisbane	Centre	2
ELLEM, M.A.	591	1976	1976 v Fiji, Sydney	Centre	1
CROWE, P.J.	592	1976-79	1976 v France, Paris	Wing	6
KNIGHT, M.	593	1978	1978 v Wales, Brisbane	Centre	3
PILECKI, S.J.	594	1978-83	1978 v Wales, Brisbane	Prop	18
SLACK, A.G.	595	1978-87	1978 v Wales, Brisbane	Centre	39
McLEAN, P.W.	596	1978-82	1978 v New Zealand, Wellington	Lock	16
STREETER, S.F.	597	1978	1978 v New Zealand, Wellington	Wing	1
MOON, B.J.	598	1978-86	1978 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Wing	35
RICHARDS, G.L.	599	1978-81	1978 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Fullback	3
HANDY, C.B.	600	1978-80	1978 v New Zealand, Auckland	Prop	6
MELROSE, T.C.	601	1978-79	1978 v New Zealand, Auckland	Flyhalf	6
COOKE, B.P.	602	1979	1979 v Ireland, Brisbane	Fullback	1
ROSS, W.S.	603	1979-83	1979 v Ireland, Brisbane	Hooker	13
BESOMO, K.S.	604	1979	1979 v Ireland, Sydney	Lock	1
CARSON, P.J.	605	1979-80	1979 v New Zealand, Sydney	Scrumhalf	2
STEWART, A.A.	606	1979	1979 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flanker	3



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COX, P.A.	607	1979-84	1979 v Argentina, Buenos Aires	Scrumhalf	16
O'CONNOR, M.D.	608	1979-82	1979 v Argentina, Buenos Aires	Centre	12
D'ARCY, A.M.W.	609	1980-82	1980 v Fiji, Suva	Prop	10
HALL, D.	610	1980-83	1980 v Fiji, Suva	Number 8	15
HAWKER, M.J.	611	1980-87	1980 v Fiji, Suva	Flyhalf	25
MARTIN, M.C.	612	1980-81	1980 v Fiji, Suva	Wing	6
MATHERS, M.J.	613	1980	1980 v Fiji, Suva	Lock	2
POIDEVIN, S.P.	614	1980-91	1980 v Fiji, Suva	Flanker	59
WILLIAMS, S.A.	615	1980-85	1980 v Fiji, Suva	Lock	28
ELLA, M.G.	616	1980-84	1980 v New Zealand, Sydney	Flyhalf	25
GOULD, R.G.	617	1980-87	1980 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	25
CURRAN, D.J.	618	1980-83	1980 v New Zealand, Sydney	Prop	5
GRIGG, P.C.	619	1980-87	1980 v New Zealand, Sydney	Wing	25
COX, M.H.	620	1981	1981 v Wales, Cardiff	Wing	2
ELLA, G.J.	621	1982-85	1982 v Scotland, Brisbane	Fullback	4
ROCHE, C.	622	1982-84	1982 v Scotland, Brisbane	Flanker	17
CAMPESE, D.I.	623	1982-96	1982 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Wing	101
COOLICAN, J.E.	624	1982-83	1982 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Prop	4
ELLA, G.A.	625	1982-88	1982 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Centre	6
LUCAS, P.W.	626	1982	1982 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Number 8	3
McINTYRE, A.J.	627	1982-89	1982 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Prop	38
MALOUF, B.P.	628	1982	1982 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Hooker	1



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WALKER, L.R.	629	1982	1982 v New Zealand, Wellington	Hooker	2
CUTLER, S.A.G.	630	1982-91	1982 v New Zealand, Wellington	Lock	40
CLEMENTS, P.	631	1982	1982 v New Zealand, Auckland	Lock	1
VAUGHAN, D.V.	632	1983	1983 v USA, Sydney	Scrumhalf	5
HANLEY, R.G.	633	1983-85	1983 v USA, Sydney	Fullback	3
CODEY, D.	634	1983-87	1983 v Argentina, Brisbane	Number 8	13
PARKER, A.J.	635	1983	1983 v Argentina, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	3
HARDING, M.A.	636	1983	1983 v Italy, Rovigo	Prop	1
McBAIN, M.I.	637	1983-89	1983 v Italy, Rovigo	Hooker	7
TUYNMAN, S.N.	638	1983-90	1983 v France, Clermont- Ferrand	Number 8	34
LAWTON, T.A.	639	1983-89	1983 v France, Clermont- Ferrand	Hooker	41
CAMPBELL, W.A.	640	1984-90	1984 v Fiji, Suva	Lock	22
HOLT, N.C.	641	1984	1984 v Fiji, Suva	Lock	1
LYNAGH, M.P.	642	1984-95	1984 v Fiji, Suva	Centre	72
REYNOLDS, R.J.	643	1984-87	1984 v Fiji, Suva	Number 8	10
RODRIGUEZ, E.E.	644	1984-87	1984 v Fiji, Suva	Prop	26
FARR-JONES, N.C.	645	1984-93	1984 v England, London	Scrumhalf	63
BURKE, M.P.	646	1984-87	1984 v England, London	Wing	23
BLACK, J.W.	647	1985	1985 v Canada, Sydney	Fullback	4
CALCRAFT, W.J.	648	1985-86	1985 v Canada, Sydney	Flanker	3
KASSULKE, N.T.	649	1985	1985 v Canada, Sydney	Centre	2
LANE, T.A.	650	1985	1985 v Canada, Sydney	Centre	3
KNOX, D.J.	651	1985-97	1985 v Fiji, Brisbane	Flyhalf/ Fullback	13
PAPWORTH, B.W.	652	1985-87	1985 v Fiji, Brisbane	Centre	16
LILLICRAP, C.P.	653	1985-91	1985 v Fiji, Sydney	Prop	7



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COOK, M.T.	654	1986-88	1986 v France, Sydney	Centre	11
FRAWLEY, D.J.	655	1986-88	1986 v Argentina, Sydney	Number 8	10
HARTILL, M.N.	656	1986-95	1986 v New Zealand, Wellington	Prop	20
MILLER, J.S.	657	1986-91	1986 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flanker	26
LEEDS, A.J.	658	1986-88	1986 v New Zealand, Auckland	Fullback	14
SMITH, B.A.	659	1987	1987 v South Korea, Brisbane	Flyhalf	6
HERBERT, A.G.	660	1987-93	1987 v South Korea, Brisbane	Centre	10
JAMES, S.L.K.	661	1987-88	1987 v South Korea, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	6
COKER, T.	662	1987-97	1987 v England, Sydney	Number 8	27
LIDBURY, S.M.J.	663	1987-88	1987 v Argentina, Buenos Aires	Number 8	2
WILLIAMS, I.M.	664	1987-90	1987 v Argentina, Buenos Aires	Wing	17
GARDNER, J.M.	665	1987-88	1987 v Argentina, Buenos Aires	Flanker	4
CARTER, D.G.	666	1988-89	1988 v England, Brisbane	Number 8	5
GRANT, J.C.	667	1988	1988 v England, Brisbane	Centre	4
LAWTON, R.A.	668	1988	1988 v England, Brisbane	Prop	4
KAY, P.N.	669	1988	1988 v England, Sydney	Prop	1
GAVIN, B.T.	670	1988-96	1988 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Number 8	47
WALKER, L.F.	671	1988-89	1988 v New Zealand, Brisbane	Flyhalf	8
GIRVAN, B.G.	672	1988	1988 v England, London	Centre	1
GOURLEY, S.R.	673	1988-89	1988 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Flanker	5
NIUQILA, A.S.	674	1988-89	1988 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Wing	3
BURKE, B.T.	675	1988	1988 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Scrumhalf	1
CROWLEY, D.J.	676	1989-99	1989 v British Lions, Sydney	Loosehead Prop	38
MAGUIRE, D.J.	677	1989	1989 v British Isles, Sydney	Centre	3



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MARTIN, G.J.	678	1989-90	1989 v British Isles, Sydney	Fullback	9
DALY, A.J.	679	1989-95	1989 v New Zealand, Auckland	Prop	41
HORAN, T.J.	680	1989-00	1989 v New Zealand, Auckland	Centre	80
KEARNS, P.N.	681	1989-99	1989 v New Zealand, Auckland	Hooker	67
FITZSIMONS, P.J.	682	1989-90	1989 v France, Strasbourg	Lock	7
LITTLE, J.S.	683	1989-00	1989 v France, Strasbourg	Centre/Wing	75
McCALL, R.J.	684	1989-95	1989 v France, Strasbourg	Lock	40
NASSER, B.P.	685	1989-91	1989 v France, Strasbourg	Flanker	8
JUNEE, D.K.	686	1989-94	1989 v France, Strasbourg	Wing	4
CAROZZA, P.V.	687	1990-93	1990 v France, Sydney	Wing	15
McKENZIE, E.J.A.	688	1990-97	1990 v France, Sydney	Prop	51
CORNISH, P.W.	689	1990	1990 v France, Brisbane	Centre	3
SCOTT-YOUNG, S.J.N.	690	1990-92	1990 v France, Brisbane	Flanker	7
FLETT, J.A.	691	1990-91	1990 v USA, Brisbane	Wing	4
SLATTERY, P.J.	692	1990-95	1990 v USA, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	17
OFAHENGAUE, V.	693	1990-98	1990 v New Zealand, Christchurch	No.8/Flanker	41
EALES, J.A.	694	1991-01	1991 v Wales, Brisbane	Lock	86
EGERTON, R.H.	695	1991	1991 v Wales, Brisbane	Wing	9
ROEBUCK, M.C.	696	1991-93	1991 v Wales, Brisbane	Fullback	23
NUCIFORA, D.V.	697	1991-93	1991 v Argentina, Llanelli	Hooker	2
TOMBS, R.C.	698	1992-96	1992 v Scotland, Sydney	Centre	5
WILSON, D.J.	699	1992-00	1992 v Scotland, Sydney	Flanker	79
JORGENSEN, P.K.	700	1992	1992 v Scotland, Sydney	Wing	2
KELAHER, T.P.	701	1992-93	1992 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback	3
MORGAN, G.J.	702	1992-97	1992 v New Zealand, Sydney	Lock/Flanker	24
KAHL, P.R.	703	1992	1992 v Wales, Cardiff	Flyhalf	1
JOHNSTONE, B.A.	704	1993	1993 v Tonga, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	1



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HOWARD, P.W.	705	1993-97	1993 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Centre/Flyhalf	20
BOWEN, S.	706	1993-96	1993 v South Africa, Sydney	Flyhalf	9
SMITH, D.P.	707	1993-98	1993 v South Africa, Sydney	Wing	21
WAUGH, W.W.	708	1993-97	1993 v South Africa, Sydney	Lock	8
TABUA, T.	709	1993-95	1993 v South Africa, Brisbane	Flanker	10
BURKE, M.C.	710	1993-04	1993 v South Africa, Sydney	Fullback/ Centre	76
MURDOCH, A.R.	711	1993-96	1993 v France, Bordeaux	Wing	2
BRIAL, M.C.	712	1993-97	1993 v France, Bordeaux	No.8/Flaner	13
O'CONNOR, M.G.	713	1994	1994 v Ireland, Brisbane	Centre	1
PINI, M.J.	714	1994-95	1994 v Ireland, Brisbane	Fullback	8
HERBERT, D.J.	715	1994-02	1994 v Ireland, Sydney	Centre	67
CONSTABLE, R.	716	1994	1994 v Ireland, Sydney	Wing	1
GREGAN, G.M.	717	1994-2007	1994 v Italy, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	139
WALLACE, T.M.	718	1994	1994 v Italy, Brisbane	Flyhalf	2
ROFF, J.W.	719	1995-04	1995 v Canada, Port Elizabeth	Fullback/Wing	86
FOLEY, M.A.	720	1995-01	1995 v Canada, Port Elizabeth	Hooker	50
MANU, D.T.	721	1995-97	1995 v Romania, Stellenbosch	Flanker/No.8	15
MERRICK, S.P.	722	1995	1995 v New Zealand, Auckland	Scrumhalf	2
CAPUTO, G.M.	723	1996-97	1996 v Wales, Brisbane	Hooker	5
FINEGAN, O.D.A.	724	1996-03	1996 v Wales, Sydney	Flanker/No.8	55
HARRY, R.L.L.	725	1996-00	1996 v Wales, Brisbane	Loosehead Prop	37
PAYNE, S.J.	726	1996-97	1996 v Wales, Sydney	Scrumhalf	7
TUNE, B.N.	727	1996-	1996 v Wales, Sydney	Wing/Centre	47
LARKHAM, S.J.	728	1996-2007	1996 v Wales, Sydney	Fullback/ Flyhalf	96
BELL, M.D.	729	1996	1996 v Canada, Brisbane	Hooker	1
HEATH, A.D.	730	1996-97	1996 v Canada, Brisbane	Prop	8



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WELBORN, J.P.	731	1996-99	1996 v South Africa, Bloemfontein	Lock	6
ROBINSON, B.J.	732	1996-98	1996 v Italy, Padova	Flanker	16
BLADES, A.T.	733	1996-99	1996 v Scotland, Murrayfield	Tighthead Prop	32
GIFFIN, D.T.	734	1996-03	1996 v Wales, Sydney	Lock	50
HARDY, M.D.	735	1997-98	1997 v France, Sydney	Wing	8
COCKBAIN, M.J.	736	1997-03	1997 v France, Brisbane	Lock/Flanker	63
HOLBECK, J.C.	737	1997-01	1997 v New Zealand, Christchurch	Centre	7
BLADES, C.D.	738	1997	1997 v England, Sydney	Prop	1
FINAU, F.S.	739	1997	1997 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Flanker	1
LANGFORD, J.F.	740	1997	1997 v New Zealand, Dunedin	Lock	4
KEFU, R.S.T.	741	1997-03	1997 v South Africa, Pretoria	Number 8	60
FLATLEY, E.J.	742	1997-	1997 v England, London	Flyhalf/Inside Centre	34
BOWMAN, T.M.	743	1998-99	1998 v England, Brisbane	Lock	16
PAUL, J.A.	744	1998-03	1998 v Scotland, Sydney	Hooker	72
GREY, N.P.	745	1998-03	1998 v Scotland, Brisbane	Centre	35
PANOHO, G.M.	746	1998-01	1998 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Prop	21
WHITAKER, C.J.	747	1998-	1998 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Scrumhalf	31
EDMONDS, M.H.M.	748	1998-01	1998 v Tonga, Canberra	Flyhalf	2
LATHAM, C.E.	749	1998-	1998 v France, Paris	Fullback	78
NORIEGA, E.P.	750	1998-02	1998 v France, Paris (1991 v Paraquay - Arg)	Prop	(Aus 24) (Arg 25)
SPOONER, N.R.	751	1999	1999 v Ireland, Brisbane	Flyhalf	2
STRAUSS, C.P.	752	1999	1999 v Ireland, Brisbane (1992 v France SA)	Number 8/ Flanker	(Aus 11) (SA 15)



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WILLIAMS, R.W.	753	1999-00	1999 v Ireland, Brisbane	Number 8/ Flanker	14
CONNORS, M.R.	754	1999-01	1999 v South Africa, Brisbane	Lock/Flanker	21
KAFER, R.B.	755	1999-00	1999 v New Zealand, Sydney	Centre/Flyhalf	12
MOORE, R.C.	756	1999-02	1999 v United States, Limerick	Tighthead Prop	16
STANIFORTH, S.N.G.	757	1999-2007	1999 v United States, Limerick	Wing	8
DYSON, F.J.	758	2000	2000 v Argentina, Brisbane	Tighthead Prop	10
MORTLOCK, S.A.	759	2000-	2000 v Argentina, Brisbane	Wing/Centre	80
LYONS, D.J.	760	2000-	2000 v Argentina, Brisbane	Number 8	44
CORDINGLEY, S.A.	761	2000	2000 v Argentina, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	22
JAQUES, T.	762	2000	2000 v South Africa, Melbourne	Flanker	2
WALKER, A.M.	763	2000-01	2000 v New Zealand, Sydney	Fullback/ Wing/Flyhalf	7
SMITH, G.B.	764	2000-09	2000 v France, Paris	Flanker	110
YOUNG, W.K.	765	2000-	2000 v France, Paris	Loosehead Prop	46
WAUGH, P.R.	766	2000-	2000 v England, London	Openside Flanker	79
STILES, N.B.	767	2001-02	2001 v Lions	Loosehead Prop	12
DARWIN, B.J.	768	2001-03	2001 v Lions, Brisbane	Prop	28
CANNON, B.J.	769	2001-	2001 v Lions, Melbourne	Hooker	42
HARRISON, J.B.	770	2001-	2001 v Lions, Sydney	Lock	34
BOND, G.S.G.	771	2001	2001 v South Africa, Perth	Centre/Wing	5
KEFU, S	772	2001-03	2001 v Wales, Cardiff	Centre	6
SAILOR, W.J.	773	2002-	2002 v France, Melbourne	Wing	37
SHARPE, N.C.	774	2002-	2002 v France, Melbourne	Lock	79



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ROGERS, M.S.	775	2002-	2002 v France, Melbourne	Fullback/ Centre	45
HARDMAN, S.P.	776	2002	2002 v France, Sydney	Hooker	4
VICKERMAN, D.J.	777	2002-	2002 v France, Sydney	Lock	55
CROFT, D.N.	778	2002-03	2002 v Argentina, Buenos Aires	Openside Flanker	5
FREIER, A.L.	779	2002-	2002 v Argentina, Buenos Aires	Hooker	25
GITEAU, M.J.	780	2002-	2002 v England, London	Flyhalf/Inside Centre	78
BARTHOLOMEUSZ, M.A.	781	2002	2002 v Italy, Genoa	Wing	1
TURINUI, M.P.	782	2003-	2003 v Ireland, Perth	Centre	20
TUQIRI, L.D.	783	2003-08	2003 v Ireland, Perth	Wing	67
HEENAN, D.P.	784	2003	2003 v Wales, Sydney	Flanker	2
BAXTER, A.K.E.	785	2003-	2003 v New Zealand, Auckland	Tighthead Prop	69
DUNNING, M.J.	786	2003-	2003 v Namibia, Adelaide	Prop	45
ROE, J.A.	787	2003-	2003 v Namibia, Adelaide	Number 8	19
RATHBONE, C.	788	2004-	2004 v Scotland, Melbourne	Wing/Centre	26
SAMO, R.U.	789	2004-	2004 v Scotland, Melbourne	Blindside Flanker	6
HENJAK, M.J.	790	2004-	2004 v England, Brisbane	Scrumhalf	4
HENDERSON N.J.	791	2004-	2004 v Pacific Islands, Adelaide	Prop	3
CHISHOLM, M.D.	792	2004-	2004 v Scotland, Edinburgh	Lock	48
HOILES, S.A.	793	2004-	2004 v Scotland, Glasgow	Number 8	16
ELSOM, R.D	794	2005-	2005 v Samoa, Sydney	Flanker/Lock	49
McMENIMAN, H.J	795	2005-	2005 v Samoa, Sydney	Flock/Flanker	21
MOORE, S.T	796	2005-	2005 v Samoa, Sydney	Hooker	46
GERRARD, M.A	797	2005-	2005 v Italy, Melbourne	Wing/Fullback	23



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CAMPBELL, A	798	2005	2005 v France, Brisbane	Lock	4
MITCHELL, D.A	799	2005-	2005 v South Africa, Sydney	Fullback/Wing	41
ASHLEY-COOPER, A.P.	800	2005-	2005 v South Africa, Perth	Centre/Wing	37
JOHANSSON, L.D.T	801	2005	2005 v New Zealand, Auckland	Centre	3
KANAAR, A	802	2005	2005 v New Zealand, Auckland	Lock/Flanker	1
MACKAY, L.J.	803	2005	2005 v New Zealand, Auckland	Flyhalf	1
HOLMES, G.S.	804	2005	2005 v France, Marseille	Prop	13
POLOTA-NAU, T	805	2005	2005 v England, London	Hooker	23
FAVA, S.G.	806	2005	2005 v England, London	Number 8	5
FITTER, D.E.S.	807	2005	2005 v Ireland, Dublin	Prop	2
BLAKE, R.C.	808	2006-	2006 v England, Sydney	Prop	7
McISAAC, T.P.	809	2006-	2006 v England, Sydney	Hooker	8
SHEPHERD, C.B.	810	2006-	2006 v England, Sydney	Fullback/Wing	9
SHEPHERDSON, G.T.	811	2006-	2006 v Ireland, Perth	Prop	18
VALENTINE, J.J	811	2006-	2006 V England, Sydney	Scrumhalf	7
PALU, W.L.	812	2006-	2006 v England, Melbourne	No.8	36
ROBINSON, B.A.	814	2006-	2006 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Prop	31
SHEEHAN, B.R.	815	2006-	2006 v South Africa, Johannesburg	Scrumhalf	3
HUXLEY, J	816	2007-	2007 v Wales, Sydney	Fullback	9
NORTON-KNIGHT,	817	2007-	2007 v Wales, Sydney	Flyhalf	2
IOANE, D.N	818	2007-	2007 v Wales, Brisbane	Wing	8
HORWILL, J.E	819	2007-	2007 v Fiji, Perth	Lock	24
BARNES, B.S	820	2007-	2007 v Japan, Lyon	Flyhalf	21
BURGESS, L	821	2008	2008 v Ireland, Melbourne	Halfback	21
HYNES, PR	822	2008-	2008 v Ireland, Melbourne	Winger	22



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MUMM, D.W	823	2008-	2008 v Ireland, Melbourne	Flanker/Lock	19
CROSS, R.P	824	2008-	2008 v France, Sydney	Centre	18
ALEXANDER, B.E	825	2008-	2008 v France, Sydney	Prop	18
TURNER, L.D	826	2008-	2008 v France, Brisbane	Winger	11
TAHU, P.J.A	827	2008-	2008 v New Zealand, Sydney	Inside Centre	4
BROWN, R.N	828	2008-	2008 v New Zealand, Brisbane	No 8/Flanker	12
POCOCK, D.W	829	2008-	2008 v New Zealand, HK	Flanker	15
COOPER, Q.S	830	2008-	2008 v Italy, Padova	Flyhalf/Inside Centre	11
KEPU, S.M	831	2008-	2008 v Italy, Padova	Prop	3
O'CONNOR, J.D	832	2008-	2008 v Italy, Padova	Flyhalf/ Fullback	13
KIMLIN, P	833	2009-	2009 v Italy, Canberra	Lock/Flanker	2
COWAN, P.J.M.	834	2009-	2009 v Italy, Melbourne	Prop	3
GENIA, S.W.	835	2009-	2009 v New Zealand, Auckland	Halfback	11
BEALE, K	836	2009-	2009 v Wales, Cardiff	Utility Back	1
EDMONDS, H	837	2010-	2010 v Fiji, Canberra	Hooker	4
MA'AFU, R.S.L	838	2010-	2010 v Fiji, Canberra	Prop	10
HORNE, R.G	839	2010-	2010 v Fiji, Canberra	Centre	6
FAINGA'A, S.M	840	2010-	2010 v Fiji, Canberra	Hooker	11
HODGSON, M.J	841	2010-	2010 v Fiji, Canberra	Flanker	4
DALEY, B.P	842	2010-	2010 v England, Perth	Prop	3
SLIPPER, J.A	843	2010-	2010 v England, Perth	Prop	14
SIMMONS, R.A	844	2010-	2010 v South Africa, Brisbane	Lock	6
MCCALMAN, B.J	845	2010-	2010 v South Africa, Brisbane	Flanker/No 8	9
FAINGA'A, A.S	846	2010-	2010 v New Zealand, Melbourne	Inside Centre	4
MCCABE, P.J	847	2010-	2010 v Italy, Florence	Centre/Wing	1
HIGGINBOTHAM,	848	2010-	2010 v France, Paris	Flanker/No 8	1





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