



2009 NRL Trial Games

South Sydney Rabbitohs V Penrith Panthers at BCU International Stadium in Coffs Harbour on February 14th 2009

Parramatta Eels V Penrith Panthers at Exies Oval, Griffith on February 14th 2009

Canterbury Bulldogs V St George Illawarra Dragons at WIN Stadium, Wollongong on February 22nd 2009

Gold Coast Titans V West Tigers at Lismore's, Oakes Oval on February 28th



On behalf of Country Rugby League we would like to wish you a safe and Merry Christmas.

Dates to Remember

Don't forget if your travelling to Sydney don't forget to check out the CRL Website

www.crlnsw.com.au

then click on the link to the Holiday Inn page to view their specials and deals.

Rick Keast Benefit Night

MEDIA RELEASE

On behalf of the Country Rugby League we would like to wish Development Officer, Rick Keast, from the Riverina, all the best for a speedy recovery after his latest battle with cancer.

Over the weekend, Keast's home town of Wagga Wagga was buzzing with the excitement of the benefit night, held at the Capital Entertainment Centre, organised by Dionne Anderson. This was attended by over 500 guests including sporting legends, Brett Kenny, David Barnhill Junior, Adam Perry and Nigel Plum.

Despite the seriousness of his illness, Rick did attend the night with family and friends and was in good spirits throughout. See photos below.

The benefit night raised over \$35,000 for Rick. This was made possible with an abundance of donated sporting memorabilia from clubs and leagues across Australia. At the end of the night Rick was given a 2008 Country Origin Jersey, the team in which he was a part of this year. A couple of the auction items that were popular were a hot air balloon ride for 10 people selling for \$2800 and a signed 2008 Centenary Rugby League Jersey which went for \$2900.

If you would like to donate money to help aid Rick's recovery please contact Dionne Anderson on 0428 696 450.



Rick and Caroline Keast



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