



NRL Trial Games

Saturday, February 13

Newcastle Knights V Newcastle Rep Side at Tomaree Sporting Complex, Salamander Bay, 7PM

Saturday, February 20

St George Illawarra Dragons V Canterbury Bankstown Bulldogs at WIN Stadium, Wollongong, Mercury Challenge 3.15PM

South Sydney Rabbitohs V Gold Coast Titans at BCU International Stadium, Coffs Harbour, 7PM

Newcastle Knights V Melbourne Storm at St Johns Oval, Charlestown, 7PM

Saturday, February 27

Wests Tigers V Cronulla Sharks Bluetongue Stadium, Gosford, 5.15PM

Sydney Roosters V Parramatta Eels Bluetongue Tongue, Gosford, 7.30PM

Penrith Panthers V Newcastle Knights, Port Macquarie Regional Stadium, 7PM



Development Officer of the Week

Congratulations to all Country based development officers for their efforts in running the Community carnival over the last seven days. NRL players visited 400 schools in 78 communities stretching from Sydney to Perth, into far North Queensland, New Zealand and throughout rural and regional NSW and Queensland, handing out 6500 footballs, 30,000 posters and 500 Eat Well Play Well Stay well DVDs and classroom resource packs.



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Men of League Dinner in the Riverina

On Monday, 8th February 2010 the Riverina Men of League got up close and personal with the Canberra Raiders Top Squad and staff in a successful fund raising evening held at the Officers Mess of Kapooka Army Barracks. With Commandant Colonel Graeme Finney providing a rare opportunity for the public to access the base a substantial meal was laid on for the 42 Raiders and the 42 Men of League to sit and enjoy. It was wonderful to witness the camaraderie that football provides for young and old with current internationals such as Joel Monaghan and Terry Campese mixing with past internationals like Kevin Goldspink and Chris Mortimer. From young Raider hopefuls to old Rugby League diehards football was discussed without the need for speeches and ceremony, all the while raising over \$1000 for charity. Thanks go to Captain Alan Lynch who orchestrated the evening and Dave Barnhill Jnr for transporting the guests to and from the base. Top photo (left to right)– Col Goldspink, Chris Mortimer and Kevin Goldspink.

Bottom photo– Major Anthony Mew and Joe Walsh



Come and Try League at Bowral JRLFC

Bowral Junior Rugby League are holding a "Come & Try League" day for all primary school kids on Monday 22nd of February from 4:30 to 5:30 pm at Loseby Oval. All players can register on the day. registration is \$60 for all players from under 7's to under 16's, Under 6's have free rego. If players register before the start of the 2010 season starts they receive a 10% Discount. All new players need to bring a birth certificate, a Medicare card, a passport size photo, proof of address (e.g. the address part of an electricity bill.) For more information please contact Mick Galvin on 0412724072

Congratulations to Kevin Riolo and Nick Best

At the recent AGM of the ARL Referees Association held on Sat.6th February both Kevin Riolo and Nick Best were made Life members of ARLRA. Kevin has been a member of Illawarra since 1965. He has been secretary of CRLRA for the past 33 years and a Board member of the ARLRA since it's inception in 1999. Kevin has also been rewarded with Life membership Illawarra R.A., CRLRA, CRL and ILL RL. Kevin is currently chairman of ARLD "NRAS" sub-committee. Nick has been a member of Group 7 RA since 1966. He has been on the CRLRA for 40 years and President for the last 29 years and a Board member of the ARLRA since it's inception and Deputy Chairman since 2001. Nick is a Life member of Group 7 R.A. CRLRA and CRL. He has been referees coach and Provider through-out Australia as well as for ARL in Penang, New Guinea and Fiji. He is currently a member of CRL Refs Appointments board and ARLD "NRAS" committee.

NRL Community Carnival Update

Bulldogs go back to Dubbo school

Courtesy– Western Advocate Bathurst February 11, 2010

CANTERBURY Bulldogs captain Andrew Ryan returned to St Mary's Catholic Primary School in Dubbo and admitted tackling questions from more than 500 children was easy compared to facing up to Canberra Raiders in the NRL trial in a few week's time. Ryan and Bulldogs team-mates Corey Payne, Danny Williams and Gary Warburton were on a two-day visit to Dubbo as part of the NRL's Community Carnival.

Sick boy meets heroes

Courtesy– Western Advocate Bathurst February 11, 2010

SIX-YEAR-OLD Canterbury Bulldogs fan Jeremiah Bailey got the best medicine possible when a quartet of players from the NRL club visited the children's ward of Dubbo Base Hospital. Skipper Andrew Ryan, along with Corey Payne, Gary Warburton and Danny Williams, toured the hospital after visiting schools as part of the NRL's Community Carnival. Jeremiah had been laid up with an infection in his leg and his mum Kirsty said he was devastated when he thought he missed the chance to see his heroes.