



## NRL Trial Games

### **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**

Canberra Raiders V  
Canterbury Bulldogs at Apex  
Oval Dubbo, kick off 7.30pm  
Academy games pre match.  
Meet and greet both team at  
Dubbo RSL 7pm on Thursday  
25th February.

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 this week go to Regional Development Manager Steve McLellan on his recent appointment of General Manager of Fiji Rugby League. Steve has been instrumental in increasing player numbers and improving services for rugby league in the region. On behalf of everyone at Country Rugby League we would like to wish him all the very best in his future!



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## **Retirement start with two awards for Debbie!**

Recently retired Life Member Deborah Crouch has celebrated the start of 2010 with receiving two awards. The General Committee of the Country Rugby League awarded Debbie with the CRL Merit Award for her service to Rugby League. On January 26th Debbie was also deservedly presented with the Shellharbour City Council Australia Day Award for service to Junior Sport.

From all at South Coast Rugby League we congratulate Debbie on both her awards which do reflect on the monumental contribution she made to both sport and the community.



## **Corrimal Cougar's RLFC Reunion**

Corrimal Cougars RLFC would like to invite all past and present Cougars to a Reunion / 2010 Season Launch function.

'Old Boys' Ben Hornby, Luke Patten, Craig Young and John Jansen will be attending to support the club as the 2010 Season approaches.

Where: - Corrimal Leagues Club, Railway Street, CORRIMAL NSW

When: - Sunday, 28 February 1.00pm

Cost: - Adults: \$15 Children (4-12yrs): \$10.00 Family Pass: \$40.00 ( 2 adults and max of three children)

If you are interested in coming please contact Naomi Cram 0409 288 414

## **Boxers produce some great entertainment**

*Courtesy of the Parkes Champion Post 17th February 2010*

The Parkes Spacemen and Tommy Wards Backyard Boxing brought together a fantastic night of boxing entertainment last Saturday night in front of a capacity crowd of 600 at the Parkes Leagues club. The night comprised 18 fights between local footballers from Parkes, Forbes Wellington and Dubbo as well as trained boxers in what has been described as one of the best boxing nights seen in the local area for a very long time.

With a percentage of the proceeds going towards the local SES, it was a night that not only had lots of enjoyment but also provided some much needed funds to a local service that assists during times of emergency. The night was the brain child of Lionel Harris and Derrick Hoe and with the considerable help from Tommy Ward they put together 18 fights that were evenly matched and all the fights were conducted under the close scrutiny of a local Doctor and professional judges and referees from across the Central West. With the event sold out prior to the commencement there was some disappointed fans, however for the 600 paying customers they certainly got their monies worth and got the opportunity to see some colourful locals climb into the ring and show what they were made of against some quality opposition from other towns. The fights involving Parkes and Forbes fighters certainly generated the most interest and at the end of the night the results were pretty even between the two towns in boxing supremacy so it will be left up to the footy fields too decide who the best is in 2010. Some of the local lads who performed on the night were as follows – James Dean who performed really well and had a well-deserved victory in his first fight, Brendan Blackhall also had a good victory, Jack Shaw showed plenty of potential in his loss to Jordan Clarke, Brendan Sloane was also gallant in a close loss, Matt Clarke was also defeated but was very good in his first fight, Brendan Howarth scored a good victory as did Jacob Brady in the premier fight of the night. Local footballers who provided plenty of entertainment in fights against Forbes were Dennis Moran who scored a split decision victory in a very close fight against a quality opponent in Tyson Medlyn, Steve Witherow proved to be a tough customer in a loss to Dave Robson while Brent Jenkins and Jordan Clyburn provided fantastic entertainment with two unanimous victories while Mitch Davis lost a tough fight against a Wellington opponent but showed plenty of potential. The Spacemen would like to acknowledge the efforts of Tommy Ward from Backyard Boxing and Lionel Harris and Derrick Hoe in providing an excellent night of entertainment.



Parkes Reserve Player Brent Jenkins