

TRI COLOURS NEWS



Celebrating Our U12s Moving on to New Adventures.

As another fantastic season at Tamworth District Junior Rugby Union Club draws to a close, we find ourselves filled with pride and a touch of bittersweet nostalgia. Our U12 players, who have grown into skilled athletes and remarkable young individuals, are now ready to take the next step in their rugby journey. They are about to embark on exciting new rugby adventures as they graduate Tri Colours. It has been an incredible journey watching these young athletes grow, not only as rugby players but as friends and teammates. The bonds they've formed have been a testament to the camaraderie that defines our club.

Our U12 players have been shining examples of the values we hold at Tri Colours. They've embraced discipline, respect, integrity and the spirit of rugby, making us all proud to call them part of our rugby family. We wish our graduating U12 players the very best in all their future rugby adventures. We know you will make us proud and continue to uphold the values that make rugby such a special sport. Maybe someday, we'll be watching you represent the Wallabies on the international stage.



Brisbane Boys College at Moree





Our U12 team had the exciting opportunity to change up the scenery and experience a thrilling match against Brisbane Boys College at the Moree Gala Day.

This unique encounter was a memorable experience for our young athletes, offering them a chance to test their skills against a different opponent and make new friends in the world of rugby.

Thanks BBC for travelling our way.

U10 and U11 Central North

Our U10 and U11 Central North representative players had a great time at the Junior State Gala Carnival. Hosted by NSW Junior Rugby in Granville, with a round-robin format over the weekend of 15th-16th July, the focus was on enjoying the game and providing an entry-level experience to Rep rugby.

The Wallabies made a surprise appearance, adding to the excitement before their game at Allianz stadium.

Congrats to our U11 players: Hudson Rae, Thomas McDougall, Oscar McMurtrie, Riley Pieper, Artie Walker, Matthew McGufficke, and Keanyn Lee, and U10 Max Hickey.













U12 Central North Representative







Country Championships

This year, our U12 players embraced a formidable challenge as they represented our club and the Central North region at the Country Championships in Yamba. Despite an incredibly tough draw, we commend the exceptional efforts of Josh McGufficke, Chase McKay, Kalen Loveday, Levi Stolker, Cody Simpson, Matt Christakos, Bryson Barnes, Mitch Weekes and Elliott Quinn who displayed unwavering dedication and determination.

Additionally, a huge congratulations goes out to **Josh McGufficke**, **Chase McKay**, **Kalen Loveday**, and **Bryson Barnes** who made their mark by representing Central North for the very first time.

While rugby was at the forefront of this memorable trip, fishing with hats off the dock at dinner exemplified the off-field moments that make these experiences truly special. These shared memories, filled with laughter and friendship, remind us that sometimes it's the bonds forged beyond the field that matter the most. Our U12 players have not only demonstrated their sporting prowess but have also contributed to the heart and soul of our rugby family. Here's to more incredible adventures in the world of representative rugby!



PSSA Knockout

A number of Tamworth Public School students, representing our club, emerged victorious at the North West Gala Day, with an unbeaten streak across three games highlighting their impressive individual skills and strong teamwork. They secured a spot in the quarter-finals where the 'referee's special treatment' found ourselves watching more penalties than the game itself and unfortunately they went down to Orange. Kudos to; Matt McGufficke

Mitch Weekes
Josh McGufficke

Levi Stolker Hudson Rae Kade Strong Toby Squires



Are you creative?

Calling all creative minds within our rugby family! We're on the lookout for individuals with a passion for design and a keen eye for aesthetics to help us craft the look of our 2024 kit. Your unique vision and artistic flair could be the driving force behind our team's style for the upcoming season. If you're interested in being part of this exciting project and want to contribute to the design of our kit, please don't hesitate to reach out.



2023 Annual General Meeting

We are delighted to announce that our Annual General Meeting (AGM) was a resounding success, setting the stage for another promising year ahead. The dedication and hard work of our previous committee, whose term has come to an end, have been instrumental in driving our club's growth and success over the past years. As we bid a fond farewell to our outgoing committee, we are thrilled to extend our warmest congratulations to the incoming committee for 2024;

President Matt Sedon
Vice Presidents Andrew Pieper and Angus Ross
Secretary Kate Ross
Treasurer Rod Trustum
Registrar Jamie Rae
Publicity Alex Steinbeck
General Representatives Aly Kellow and Matt Rae

We have every confidence that this new team, brimming with fresh ideas, energy, and enthusiasm, will continue to propel our club to greater heights. Their willingness to step up and take on the responsibility of steering our organisation forward is commendable, and we look forward to the innovative ideas and leadership they will bring to our beloved club. We have no doubt that under their guidance, our club will flourish, and we can't wait to see the exciting developments and successes that lie ahead for Tri Colours.



We are gauging the expression of interest (EOI) from our families in participating next year. This process is crucial for us to plan effectively, especially in terms of ordering kits and merchandise. Your prompt response and interest will assist us in making the necessary preparations to ensure a seamless and enjoyable experience for everyone. Please respond <u>here</u>.



Our Gala Day!

We're thrilled to announce that our recent Gala Day was an absolute triumph, thanks to the unwavering dedication of our committee and the fantastic support of our volunteers. The day was graced with ideal weather conditions. We'd like to extend our warmest appreciation to the incredible volunteers who stepped up to help out in various capacities, from manning the canteen to assisting across the fields. Your enthusiasm and willingness to pitch in made a significant impact on the day's overall success. It's no exaggeration to say that the collective spirit of our community was on full display, and we're immensely proud of the teamwork exhibited by all.

Our players always seem to find joy in the smallest of things, like turning the drinks bucket into an impromptu ice bath!
Our Gala Day is not just a day of rugby; it's a day of fun and unity that continue to shape our club's unique identity.











Celebrating Presentation Day

It was a day of smiles, laughter, and celebration as our club came together for a fantastic Presentation Day. Held under clear blue skies, this event was a fitting culmination of the season, bringing players, families, and volunteers together to recognise our talented players. A delightful spread of favorites, including cotton candy, snow cones, and popcorn made the day a little sweeter.

Those who consistently showcased outstanding skills, sportsmanship, and unwavering commitment throughout the season were recognised for their exceptional efforts. A resounding round of applause and heartfelt congratulations are extended to all our award recipients, acknowledging their outstanding contributions to our club;

U6 Little Rugby Stars

James Allen and Tommy Cunningham

U8 Players Player Lilli Steinbeck
U8 Best & Fairest Ryder Collins
U8 Most Improved
Fletch Oconnor & Eddison Collins
U8 Coaches Award Alec Strong

U10 Players Player **Edward Gell**U10 Best & Fairest **Stirling Rae**U10 Most Improved **Aiden Graham**U10 Coaches Award **Ted Ross**

U12 Players Player

Xavier Parris & Thomas McDougall

U12 Best & Fairest Josh McGufficke

U12 Most Improved

Wifred Stewart & Max Bensley

U12 Coaches Award Mitch Weekes, Hudson

Rae & Bryson Barnes













Team Communication

Thank you to everyone for embracing our new communication app Heja. It's been a year of learning and growth, and we greatly value your input as we move forward. Please take a moment to share any feedback or suggestions you may have from our first year of trialling the app. Your insights are invaluable in helping us continue to improve and tailor our communication to better serve our members. For those who have not yet joined the Heja community, we encourage you to get in touch with us to receive your team codes, which were previously shared via email. As we look to the upcoming season, Heja will play a pivotal role in gauging the expression of interest (EOI) from our members in participating next year. This process is crucial for us to plan effectively, especially in terms of ordering kits and merchandise. Your prompt response and interest will assist us in making the necessary preparations to ensure a seamless and enjoyable experience for everyone. We appreciate your continued support and involvement in our club's growth and success.

2023 Sponsors and Future Opportunities

Please take a moment to appreciate our 2023 club sponsors. Without their support, we wouldn't function as a team. They contribute in various ways, especially financially, ensuring we have the resources to thrive. Thank you to our wonderful sponsors for making Tamworth Tri Colours possible. When you are in need of a local business, please consider our Platinum, Gold and Silver sponsors below first and foremost.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a sponsor for our 2024 season, we welcome your inquiries and support. Your partnership would enable us to continue our mission of fostering the love of rugby and building a stronger community together. Please reach out to us at tamworthtricolours@gmail.com

