



# THE LUPIN SNOOPER

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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF NEW BRIGHTON RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

*Centenary Season 1921-2021*

## WELCOME TO SEASON 2021

On behalf of the New Brighton Rugby Football Club, I would like to welcome all members to an exciting 2021 season!

After such a difficult COVID impacted 2020 season, we look forward to a “normal” season ahead where we get to support all our teams and then enjoy each other’s company in the Hub on Saturday evenings.

We have just completed our Centenary Weekend over Easter and what a great celebration it was! We now look forward to all teams feeding of that momentum and giving their all in this special year. I trust players, coaches and managers truly recognise how lucky they are to be involved this season.

It is pleasing to report that the Club will be fielding five open grade teams this season –

Premier

Premier Reserve

Colts

Colts Reserve

Senior

The Colts Reserve team consists mainly of players from our Under 18 team last season, and the Senior team has come back with strong numbers including some well known Premier players from recent years.

It is also pleasing to report that our junior section numbers are looking really strong. Cara reports that we have around 250 registrations and they are still coming in!

Good luck to all teams for the coming season

Wayne Turner

## OUR CENTENARY PLAYING STRIP

All members and supporters would now have seen the playing strip for this season which looks great!

This design is based on the original jersey the first Club team played in. We are pleased to be able to put all the Open Grade teams in this strip for this season before we return to our normal playing strip for 2022.

This season's jersey has a special centenary logo, plus an old logo the Club had on its jerseys for many years before changing to the current logo.



For those that did not see the Premier game at Easter, the team played in a one-off jersey on the day that was "old school" heavy cotton with a large yellow swatch on the back for the number. These jerseys were auctioned off after the game and raised **\$17,200!!!**



**COMING SOON!**  
CENTENARY PHOTO ALBUM

A SPECIAL PHOTO ALBUM IS BEING SET-UP WITH THE A GOOD SELECTION OF  
OUR THREE DAY CELEBRATION.

ALL MEMBERS/SUPPORTERS WILL BE ABLE TO PURCHASE THIS COLLECTABLE  
ALBUM TO RECORD OUR SPECIAL MILESTONE.

MORE DETAILS WILL FOLLOW SHORTLY.



SENIOR CLUB DAY  
SATURDAY 1 MAY 2021

**THIS IS OUR SPECIAL DAY—  
LET'S CELEBRATE**

COME ON DOWN AND SUPPORT OUR  
TEAMS DURING THE DAY AND ENJOY A THE  
EVENING IN THE HUB AFTER THE RUGBY IS  
DONE.

6.15PM SPEECHES  
7.15PM FINGER FOOD SERVED  
7.30PM MUSIC

# 2021 SUBSCRIPTIONS

SENIOR     \$180  
TERTIARY (FULL TIME STUDY) \$130  
SOCIAL     \$25

(A) ALL SUBS TO BE PAID BY 30 APRIL 2021

(B) NO PAY - NO PLAY

WE WOULD PREFER PAYMENT TO BE MADE BY DIRECT CREDIT.  
THE CLUB BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER IS -

03-0814-0138009-00 (PLEASE SHOW YOUR NAME AS A  
REFERENCE)

ANY PLAYER WHO IS NOT FINANCIAL AS AT 30 APRIL 2021 WILL  
NOT BE PERMITTED TO PLAY.

## MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Membership cards will be issued again to members on receipt of payment  
of the annual subscription.

Members are asked to have these cards with them at all times as our  
Club Bar Licence only allows our staff to serve alcohol to paid  
financial members and they will ask you for this proof  
(particularly new members).

A big thank you to Dean Cations from Harcourts Real Estate for  
sponsoring our Clubcards.

## CAR PARKING

All members are reminded that the car parks closest to the Clubrooms  
are reserved for Committee members throughout the season  
(including on training nights).

**THESE CAR PARKS TOGETHER WITH THE ENTRANCE AND DRIVEWAY INTO THE  
DOMAIN OFF RAWHITI AVENUE, WHICH IS USED BY THE AMBULANCE SERVICE  
AND KITCHEN STAFF, ARE NOT TO BE USED BY MEMBERS  
UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.**

UNAUTHORISED VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED AWAY AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE.

## 2021 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Patron	Ian Penrose
President	Derek Davidson
Vice-Presidents	Jim Christie Kevin Odgers
Chairperson	Kevin Odgers
Club Captain	Denis Cations
Deputy Club Captain	Scott Taylor
RDO	Andy Gibson
Treasurer	Wendy Harris
Secretary	Wade De Garnham
Committee	Brian Archer, Paul Holdem, Kieran Le Beau, Angela Simpson, Doug Stewart, Paulie Whitiri
Junior Club Captain	Cara Stewart
Trustees	Trevor White, Tony <a href="#">Hall</a> and Bill Barry

## 2021 COACHES

The following coaches are confirmed for the 2021 season -

Premier	Head Coach—Scott Pawson Coaches — Tony Christie, Dave Perrin & Brett Williamson
Premier Reserve	Denis Cations and Brian Griffiths
Colts	Doug Stewart, Kieran Le Beau & Henare Faithfull
Colts Reserve	Craig Hubert & Lance Stephenson
Seniors	Clinton Williams & Riki Bolton

Contact Numbers for these coaches are on the Club website.

## **THE RISING TIDE" CLUB HISTORY PUBLICATION**

Over the past few months, Trevor White has spent numerous hours updating the previous Club History, 'Up the Pipis', that the late Dick Hockley wrote covering the first 85 years of our Club.

Trevor has created chapters covering the last 15 years plus some other interesting detail, and we have had the benefit of access to a great array of photos from Allan Berke and Ken Baker Photography to supplement the text. All the honours board and official listings have also been brought up to date to complete the publication.

The new book has expanded from 124 pages in the old publication to a mammoth 178 pages!

**All this is available for \$30!**



We have plenty of books still available and they can be purchased from the Club on Saturday evenings. Alternatively, if you would like a copy sent to you, please add \$7.50 to your payment, and email Wayne Turner who will courier you a copy.

Payment can be made into the following bank account

**03-0814-0138009-007**

**Please show your name as a reference and BOOK**

# SATURDAY NIGHT SPEECHES

This season the Management Committee will be aiming to start the Club Speeches at 6.15pm sharp every Saturday evening.

We believe all members/players have a responsibility to support the Club each Saturday at least for a short period including the time speeches are on. We are not asking players/members to stay for hours, but at least make an effort to be present by 6pm. We see this allocated speech time as an important opportunity to further communicate upcoming events to all members.

The speech segment will follow the following structure -

- Go for Gold results will be announced
- Team results and Player of Day awards
- Only one Player of the Day will speak each week

This season, we will also be expecting the courtesy of complete silence while these speeches are conducted. Other Clubs can do it — so can we. The bar will also close while speeches are on.

We would ask all patrons in the Club at the time to assist us in this process. We look forward to seeing a good representation of each team on Saturday evenings.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

1 MAY SENIOR CLUB DAY

8 MAY JUNIOR RUGBY STARTS

26 JUNE JUNIOR CLUB DAY & BLAZER DAY

WE HAVE A COUPLE OF OTHER EVENTS PLANNED  
AND THE DATES WILL BE COMMUNICATED  
AS SOON AS THEY ARE CONFIRMED

# IMPORTANT CLUB BAR LICENCE

The Club continues to welcome all friends, family and visitors to the Club throughout the season. There is nothing more pleasing than seeing the Clubrooms full each week, and at the end of the day the bar turnover supports the operation of the Club.

However, all members need to be aware that the conditions of our Bar Licence requires that all non-financial members of the Club sign the Visitors Book at the bar.

Should we get an inspection throughout the season, and we are seen to be serving any person who is un-financial, or alternatively has not signed the Visitors Book, could lead to a fine and closure of the Bar for a period.

We therefore appeal to all members to -

- (a) Carry their Membership Card on them at all times (issued on payment of annual subscription)
- (b) When bringing visitors to the Club, please ensure they sign the Visitor's Book in the Foyer each time they come along. The alternative is to get them to sign up as a social member for a cost of \$25.

Please don't be offended if Bar Staff ask for your membership card during the season.

The Bar is licenced to 11pm each night, so please don't be offended if Bar staff ask you to leave at our official closing time. It is important we stick to the requirements of our licence.

**All members are also reminded that the only place we are licenced to consume alcohol over the course of the season is the UPSTAIRS LOUNGE so drinking must be limited to this area**

**Over the past few weeks, a number of members have been seen bringing alcohol they have purchased from another outlet on to the Club grounds, car park and in the Clubrooms. This must stop IMMEDIATELY as it is breaking the Club Licence we operate under and is placing us at risk of being closed down.**

**It is embarrassing to also mention that some of our own members think it is satisfactory to throw empty bottles all around the car park gardens as well - I wonder if they do that around their own homes!**

The Management Committee will be discussing taking Disciplinary Action against members breaking these rules.



## BAR PROMO

This offer is for Wild Buck Lager, Wild Buck Ale and Thomas Edison Light Beer.

We will also offer two stamps for each Jug purchased over the promo period.



## SMOKING ZONE

WE ONCE AGAIN APPEAL TO ALL SMOKERS TO REFRAIN FROM SMOKING IN AND AROUND THE FRONT AND REAR ENTRANCES TO THE CLUBROOMS.

THE CONGREGATION OF SMOKERS AT THE ENTRANCES IS NOT A GOOD EXAMPLE FOR ANY VISITORS TO THE CLUB. THIS IS ALL THE MORE IMPORTANT AS JUNIOR TEAMS BEGIN TO FREQUENT THE CLUB OVER THE COMING WEEKS.

THE DESIGNATED SMOKERS' AREA IS LOCATED AT THE SIDE OF THE CLUBROOMS AND PROVIDES SOME SHELTER FROM THE ELEMENTS.

## MAJOR CLUB RAFFLE

THE CLUB IS ONCE AGAIN BE RUNNING A CLUB RAFFLE THIS YEAR WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT ALL OPEN GRADE TEAMS AND SOCIAL MEMBERS WILL SELL TICKETS.

FUNDRAISING IS A NECESSARY ELEMENT OF MAKING THE CLUB SUSTAINABLE, AND IT IS ONLY SUCCESSFUL IF WE ALL PARTICIPATE.

MOST OF THE BOOKS HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED OUT THROUGH TEAMS, BUT KEVIN ODGERS HAS A FEW LEFT. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO ASSIST US TO SELL THE REMAINING BOOKS, PLEASE SEE KEVIN.

## END OF LINES NBRFC CLOTHING

We have some end-of-line clothing we would like to offer to members at clearance prices.

There are limited sizes in the garments.

Please contact Wayne Turner by email if you would like any of the items

[wayne.turner1@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wayne.turner1@xtra.co.nz)

**FIRST-IN FIRST SERVED**



### OLD SCHOOL JACKETS

ONLY \$40

GREAT TRAINING OPTION

MEDIUM and X-LARGE available

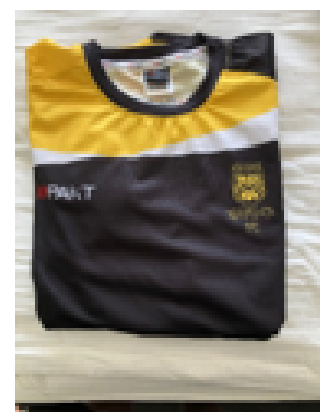


### WARM UP JACKET 2019

ONLY \$40

GREAT TRAINING OPTION

Only one left - 2XL



### WARM UP TEE

ONLY \$25

Large, X-LARGE and 2XL  
Available

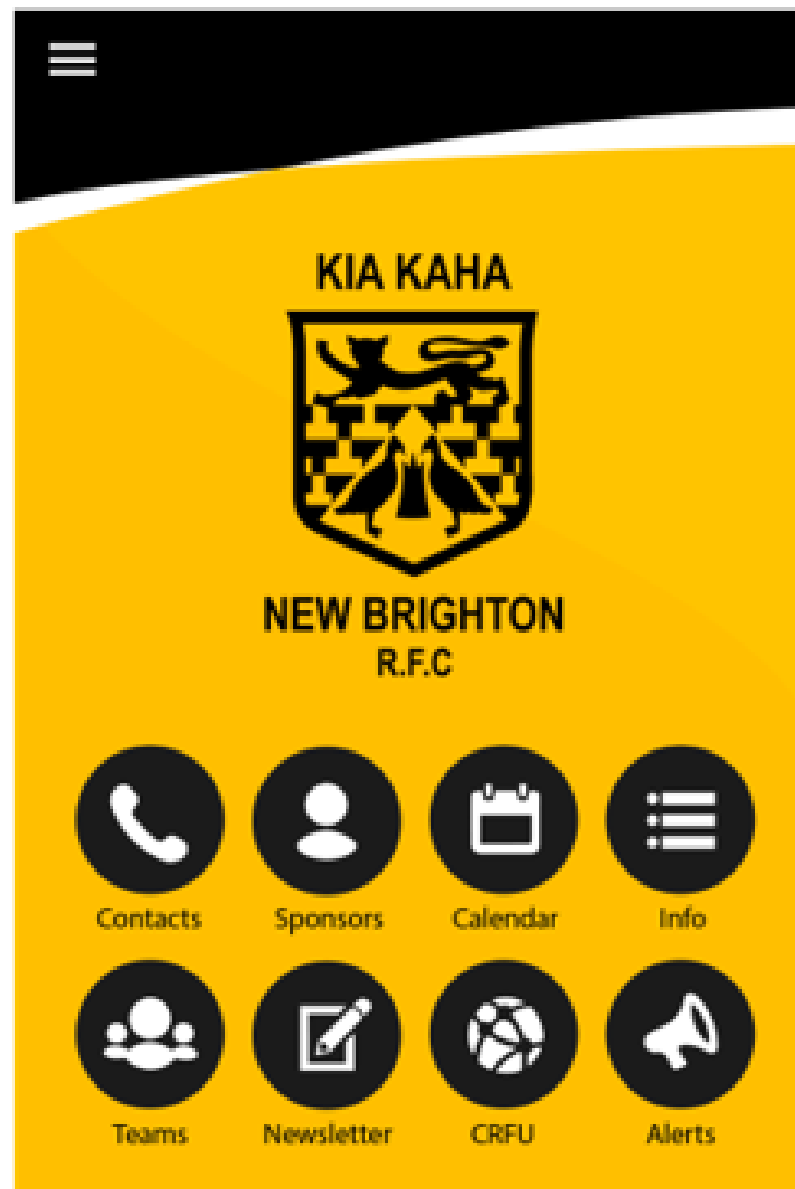
## NEW BRIGHTON RUGBY CLUB APP

The rugby club has an APP that we use to communicate various messages throughout the season.

For those that have been members for a number of seasons, we updated the APP at the end of last season and the new APP now has the NBRFC logo on your home screen when it is installed. If you don't have this version, please delete the old APP and update to this one.

I encourage all Members to download the APP, so please use the link below to do so

<https://nbrfc.clubapps.co.nz/install/>



# **New Brighton Golden Oldies 2021**

We have another full season for our Golden Oldies rugby team (35 years and older).

The first game is scheduled for 2nd May followed by a game every 3-4 weeks, played on Sunday afternoons. We also have a ladies netball team that plays along with us.

New members welcome email: [nbrfcgoldenoldies@gmail.com](mailto:nbrfcgoldenoldies@gmail.com)

Kia Kaha  
Michael Woodrow

## **GAME SCHEDULE 2021**

May 1st - Senior Club Day (No Game)

May 2nd - Lyttleton (Home)                      2pm Kick off

May 30th - Springston (Home)                2pm Kick off

June 26th - Blazer Day (No Game)

June 27th - Woodend (Away)                2pm Kick off

July 25th - Amuri Rams (Away)            Hanmer/Waiau - 2pm Kick off

August 22nd - Kaiapoi Tournament (4 short Games – 1st game 1pm)

September – End of Season Trip Queenstown

## KEY FUNDRAISER—GO FOR GOLD 2021

This has been a wonderful source of fundraising for our club, and we would like to thank everybody who has continued to support the Club in this way.

This year we have already sold 120 tickets which means there will be four prizes each week. If we could sell another 20+ tickets, we would be in a position to add in another prize draw each week.

To summarise the key elements of the fundraiser, which will apply this season –

- The total ticket price will be \$200.
- The Go for Gold Club will run over 20 weeks.
- Ticket holders will become *Affiliate* members of the Club.

While this is a relatively expensive ticket price, we welcome weekly \$10 payments to make it easier if required. The other option is to create a syndicate with other members/friends

If you don't already have a number and would like one, please contact Wayne Turner ASAP.

Email: [wayne.turner1@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wayne.turner1@xtra.co.nz)

Application forms are also in the upstairs foyer in the Club, or can be downloaded from the club website –

<http://www.newbrightonrugby.co.nz/information/go-for-gold/>

RESULTS SO FAR THIS SEASON –

Week One			
1st	\$500	31	Bryan Brown
2nd	\$200	117	Fitchie17 Syndicate
3rd	\$100	18	Tyson Keats
4th	\$100	140	Jim Faithfull
Week Two			
1st	\$200	61	Aussie Browne
2nd	\$100	70	Grant Webley
3rd	\$100	42	Jeannie & Kevin Odgers
4th	\$50	45	Paulie Whaitiri
Week Three			
1st	\$200	12	Russell & Warren Fitchett
2nd	\$100	117	Fitchie17 Syndicate
3rd	\$100	14	Matthew Burleigh
4th	\$50	78	Trevor & Ralene White

# KITCHEN

The Management Committee is pleased to report our kitchen will be run by Paulie Whaitiri and Paul Holdem again this season.

The kitchen will be open from 4.30pm to 7pm each Saturday, and orders can be placed with the Bar Staff.

## **BIG BRIGHTON BURGER** (GF Bread available)

Beef Burger & Chips **\$14.00**

Chicken Burger &  
Chips **\$14.00**

Fish Burger & Chips **\$14.00**

\* All burgers include lettuce, beetroot,  
pineapple,  
cucumber, onions, cheese, beef has bacon

## **TOASTIES** (GF Bread Available)

Cheese/Pineapple plus  
Chips **\$8.00**

Cheese/Onion plus  
Chips **\$8.00**

Cheese/Bacon plus  
Chips **\$8.00**

## **FISH SAMMIE** (GF Bread Available)

Fish Sammie and Chips **\$9.00**

## **BACON BUTTIE** (GF Bread Available)

Bacon Buttie and Chips **\$7.00**

## **MINI PIZZA** (GF available)

Supreme Pizza & Fries **\$8.00**

## **BY THE BOWL** (All come with fries)

Chicken Nuggets **\$9.00**

Fishermans Basket **\$11.00**

Wedges, sour cream &  
sauce **\$11.00**

Fries and Sauce (small) **\$4.00**

Fries and Sauce  
(boxed) **\$6.00**

**Place orders with Bar Staff**

## **PREMIER RESERVE PLAYER RECOGNITION**



The Club has introduced awarding a cheese-cutter cap for players that have achieved the 50-game milestone for Premier Reserve.

The photo above shows the first four recipients – Shaun McNichol, Lewis Pou, Chevy de Bes-Young and Dean Cations.

Congratulations to these four players.



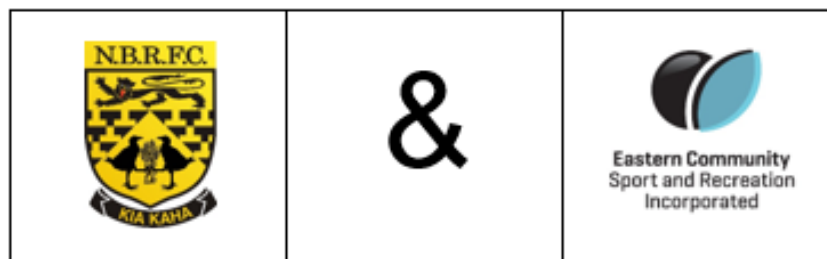
## PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

The Rugby Club owns the three properties on the Northern side of the Clubrooms, and we are about to embark on a significant Building Project to get a better return on this land.

The FOR-SALE signs are now up advertising the six 4-bedroom townhouses that will be built on this site. With great views of the Golf course, Rawhiti Grounds and the beach we expect them to be highly sought after!

If you would like any additional information, please speak to Scott Taylor (Deputy Club Captain), or Shaun Creek (022 0344769) who is the Agent handling the sale process.





## CONVERSION OF NBRFC CLUBROOMS TO ECSR HUB

### Some Background-

In February 2008, a special AGM of the Rugby Club agreed to become a founding member of a new entity, Rawhiti Community Sports Inc (RCSI), which was formed to drive the project on Rawhiti Domain. The initial RCSI Board consisted of two rugby club members, Wayne Turner and Caddy Smith, and founding clubs joining rugby were New Brighton Cricket, New Brighton Netball, Parklands-Christchurch United Softball, New Brighton Bowling Club and Rawhiti Golf Club.

The objectives of RCSI were –

- Administering and operating the Facilities in a manner agreed to by the members.
- To provide information and assistance, resources and opportunities for communication with and between the members of Rawhiti Community Sport Inc.
- To meet and promote the interests of its membership.
- Through the provision of those facilities:
  - (a) assisting in and fostering the development and growth of sports, recreation and leisure-time activity; and
  - (b) improving the conditions of life for the people in the community.”
- To do all such things and undertake such activities as are necessary, incidental, or conducive to the advancement of these objects.

In 2016, RCSI was changed to Eastern Community Sport & Recreation (ECSR) to reflect the fact that it has a much wider focus than just Rawhiti.

Ultimately, ESCR and New Brighton Rugby still had a desire to find a facility that could also be made available to the founding clubs, and other affiliates and community groups. The rugby club management committee still believed that the best way of securing the Club’s future was to be part of a wider group of Clubs based in a single facility, commonly called “Sportsville”.

The rugby club was in the unique position of being the only one of the ECSR clubs that had a clubrooms, so the most logical step was for our building to become the base for all the Clubs. The benefits would be that the building would be used 12 months of the year, and the rugby club could share the financial burden associated with owning an aging building.

In October 2018, a special AGM duly endorsed the following motion -

*"New Brighton Rugby Football Club Incorporated supports the conversion of the New Brighton Rugby Football Clubrooms to the Eastern Community Sports Hub for use of all member Clubs"*

This was a courageous decision, but one that simply had to be made as the club had been consuming its reserves each season over many years, and that simply wasn't a financially sustainable proposition if the club was going to survive in the long term.

This Special AGM agreement thus put in motion a good amount of effort to secure funding to allow the building to be upgraded, to complete some long overdue repairs and make the building suitable for multiple clubs. Over the following six months, around \$400,000 of grant funding was secured.

Even with this funding secured, the project was still massively short of funds to complete the fit-out of the building. Alongside the desire to refit the old downstairs lounge, rugby also had a desire to add two more changing rooms, and make some changes to the training field surface, and lights on Thomson Park. It was then that COVID struck, and falling out of that most difficult time, was a magical opportunity for ECSR and the rugby club.

Poto Williams, our local MP, had seen a number of projects in the East all struggle to get full funding for a number of projects that were underway particularly since the Christchurch Earthquakes. Poto saw an opportunity to consolidate all these projects together and make application to the Government Shovel Ready project fund given they were ready to progress straight after lockdown ceased.

An application for in excess of \$8.5 million was lodged, and \$7million was approved! ECSR benefitted to the tune of \$3.2 million that was to be allocated to the Eastern Hub (rugby building), completion of court resurfacing and a canopy over the old New Brighton Tennis Club courts and amounts for South Brighton Tennis and the Guardians of Rawhiti who were ECSR members.

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### So what has been done so far?

- New Roof on Clubrooms
- Full internal and External re-paint
- New Commercial Kitchen installed on ground floor
- Fire alarm upgrade
- Additional stairs
- Refurbishment of the Old downstairs lounge
- Refurbishment of front entrance and toilets
- New fences and curing installed in the car park
- New bar installed and contract signed with Asahi
- Air conditioning installed in downstairs lounge and upstairs meeting room
- A \$25,000 drainage repair that dated back to earthquake damage has been completed that we were not able to claim through insurance

### What is still to be done?

- Two new changing rooms are being built (due for completion shortly)
- Thomson Park lighting is to be replaced and extended (due to be done around mid-June 2021)
- Current Training Ground to has been converted to our no.1 field
  - A small sum was spent on it to have ready for the Centenary
  - A full upgrade including installing lateral drainage will be completed in Spring 2021.

### So far a \$800,000 as been spent with around \$400,000 to go!!

The most critical point in securing this funding was that it was approved only because the Club have moved to a Hub or “Sportsville” type environment, and funding was thus going to benefit multiple sports and around 1500 members across the combined clubs and affiliates.

Also watch out for the ECSR Canopy, located on the site of the old New Brighton Tennis Club, that is due to open in the coming weeks!!

