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BLAZER DAY 2019

Our annual Blazer Day event was held on Saturday 15 June 2019.

Initiated in 2010, the motivation for Blazer Day was to get those players that had played 50 Division One/Premier games back supporting the Club, many who may have drifted away over the years.

We have 130 players that have played in excess of 50 Senior Division One (Premier games) 71 of those have gone on to play 100 games.

Since 2010 we have retrospectively awarded blazers to two players who played in era's prior to the Club issuing blazers. The Club has enjoyed this opportunity and each of the recipients have been very willing to accept one.

Unfortunately one of the planned recipients was unavoidably stuck in Auckland on the day, so we will catch up with that former player next year. This left our sole recipient this year -

Na Katae



Loose Forward
1980-86 1991-1993 2001
Games 100+
Also played for Shirley 1987-90

In CSB Cup winning team 1980
In championship winning team 1984
Canterbury Colt 1980
Canterbury B 1981, 82 and 84
Canterbury Ranfurly Shield squad 1982
Canterbury 7's 1981 and 82
Various Canterbury Maori teams 1980-1993
Loyal supporter of the Club with our Blazer plaque initiatives

This season we also took the opportunity to unveil a series of new plaques that have been done to record all players that have played 50 games for the Club at Division One/Premier level.

Plaques numbered 1-15 have been made and each player has been recorded under his main playing number during his Division One/Premier career.

These plaques will be put in the new lockers in the No.1 changing room and will be updated as required in future years to add additional players.

A big thank you to the following players/families who sponsored some of the individual plaques

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Nikos Cummings-Toone | 2 Gibson Family |
| 4 Andrew Weastell | 5 Ian Boyce |
| 6 Scott Holden | 8 Na Katae |
| 9 Graham Stanley | 11 Alisi Tupuailei |
| 12 Glenn Webley | 14 Family of Bill Harris |
| 15 Family of G.W. Muir | |



2019 NBRFC DARTS CHAMPIONSHIPS

**ONE NIGHT ONLY
13TH JULY
SHORT GAME FORMAT**

**BRING THE NOISE!!!
WATCH SOCIAL MEDIA FOR
REGISTRATION DETAILS**

SENIOR (DIY 3) TEAM PROFILE

This year it has been a bit of a struggle numbers wise as we looked at going one further from sharing last years trophy. There were a few personnel changes as guys retired or taking some time off footy. However, we felt there we had a team to take us to the end as we still had key players from last year back.

After the first round we ended up with a 5 win 4 loss record and unfortunately missed out on the top 5 via bonus points with 3 other teams with identical records. Our highlight was the come back victory over Christchurch.

Key players in the pack are Dave Scott and Tim Harris and our backs being lead by Reagan Keown and David Cattermole.

The return of some players from long injury lay offs should have us in good position to challenge for some silverware at the end of the season.

2019 Squad

Eric Ah Kuoi
Mat Bijl
Codey Bolton
Jonny Brennan
Reuben Burke
David Cattermole
Brydon Fonotia
Nick Fowler
Andre Haitana
Tim Harris
Reagan Keown
Nick McCrostie
Seamus Murphy
Greg Richardson
Logan Riley

David Scott
Jono Scott
George Simpson
Dan Stevens
Aaron Tawera
Te Amaru Tutaki
Rick van Olphen
Quentin Vui
Brian Ward
James Weber
Clint Williams
Brett Williamson
Alexander Wilson
Dayne Wipou

COACHES: Tess Ah Kuoi & Andrew Littlejohn

MANAGER: Adam Sharlick & Shane Cobb

SPONSORS



JUNIOR SECTION UPDATE

Kia Ora

We are now well into the junior rugby season for 2019 and rugby is alive and well in our eastern community, meaning our fields at Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park are now regularly showing the wonderful talent that we have in our junior section.

Our Junior Club Day fell on 25 May 2019 and it was a great occasion to celebrate our junior club and local community. It's no coincidence that we chose this date – the same date that 4 of our senior teams also played at home – to allow everyone within our community to be a part of the day. We were fortunate as a junior club to be supported by Premier players joining with each of our junior sides, and the coaches and players are very appreciative of your participation. Thanks also to Dean Cations at Mike Pero for his supply of the bouncy castle, and the Naked Baker for their supply of coffee in keeping us all warm. On the rugby field, our teams performed incredibly well with some great rugby on show, capped off with big wins for our U13 team in the late morning kick off on field 1, and U18 team in the afternoon. Finally, thank you to everyone who came to the prize-giving at 1pm to help the players celebrate their day.

In early June, we were incredibly fortunate and privileged to be approached by the Crusaders to play a small part in the celebration of Ryan Crotty's 150th super rugby cap. Ryan was a New Brighton junior, and has maintained a close relationship with the club throughout his professional career, presenting our Player of the Day medals at Junior Club Day as recently as 2018, and always being readily available to come and spend some time with the junior teams when time allows it. Our challenge from the Crusaders was to form 'the biggest guard of honour ever', and with 150 children present, I think it's fair to say we blew their expectations out of the water. To display our club in that manner, with the flags flying high made all of us extremely proud of, not only Ryan, but the community we represent!!

As always, we'd like to thank those companies that support our junior teams with clothing and apparel to keep them warm during practice and on Saturday mornings. On behalf of the junior club, our thanks go to Dean Cations – Mike Pero Real Estate, and Urban Corner – The Bower for their sponsorship of hoodies for all the junior club, Westende Jewellers for the Player of the Day trophies and medals, and the Naked Baker for keeping us all well-caFFEinated on a Saturday morning and their help with fund-raising for the club through their famous pies.

Finally, please remember our game is played by and run by volunteers who partake in rugby for the love of the game. Thank you to everyone – parents, guardians, family and friends – for your support on the sidelines on a Saturday morning, and at training throughout the week. We represent our club both on and off the field and your positive reinforcement and behaviour in encouraging all our teams and their opposition is very much appreciated – keep up the good work!

KIA KAHA

Doug and Cara Stewart

COMING EVENT

JUNIOR QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY 26 JULY 2019

Keep this date free in your calendar as it is always a great night

GOLDEN OLDIES UPDATE

It's been another successful season so far for the NBRFC Golden Lions and Lionesses.

April 14 was our first game of the season, which saw us head out to Springston for the day. We chartered a bus which was available for all players, wives/partners and kids which proved very popular and now a typical way of transport for all our out of town games.

The girls 'Lionesses' played the curtain raiser against the Springston Wives and partners in a cold and challenging game of netball, lets just say it's a good thing scores aren't kept in their games either!

Springston fielded a great team of blokes for the main event, both teams were evenly matched in statue and intension which saw Rugby as the winner on the day. There were also very little injuries which was a massive difference compared to last year's first game. A massive thanks again to Springston for being such wonderful hosts and showing us 'townies' how the country boys do it.

NBRFC club day was our next official event on the calendar, erecting a gazebo on club day and showing our support towards the seniors of the club has become a tradition for us. Its also proving to be a draw card for a few of the past 'Golden Oldies' to come and say hello and join us for a Fanta, which is absolutely fantastic and we encourage any other past or 'wanting to be present' Golden Oldies to do the same.

May 26th was our first home game, we were meant to play Lyttleton, but unfortunately they pulled out at the last minute which left us struggling to find another team at short notice. Thankfully Saracens from Rangiora accepted the challenge at short notice and we were able to host them under perfect new Brighton conditions, the sun was out and the supporters also turned up in numbers, which was a great way to reward the Saracens players and supporters for turning up with such short notice, a big thankyou to Paulie and the bar staff for their services on the Sunday too.

The rejuvenated NBRFC Golden Lions is proving to be a massive success, we've got excellent numbers, in fact last year we had to put a cap on accepting anymore numbers due to too many requests. The group is made up all different identities and personalities, but we all have the same reason for being involved and that's to share the love and passion we have for rugby with others.

Our next game is June 30th out at Woodend, the girls play netball at 1pm and the men kick off at 2pm. We encourage you all to chuck the family in the car and come and see what all the positive fuss is all about.

Kia Kaha
Geoff Atkinson

CAR PARK RUBBISH

I have been down to the Club on a number of occasions on Sunday mornings recently and am disappointed by the amount of rubbish that is thrown in the gardens around the car park.

A number of us clearly think that beer and RTD bottles, food wrappings, old strapping tape and other rubbish are fine to throw in our gardens for someone to pick up—and that someone is currently me!!

We are doing our best to make some improvements to the presentation of our Club but this is not helping. To those that are currently doing this, I appeal to you to stop and do the right thing by disposing of the rubbish at your own place (in your own garden if you want to!)

Wayne Turner

GO FOR GOLD RESULTS

Week One			
1st	\$500	21	Ron Vette
2nd	\$200	58	Nigel & Kate Turner
3rd	\$100	25	Jim Christie & Scott Taylor
4th	\$100	146	Dai Henwood (c/o Paulie)
Week Two			
1st	\$200	113	De Garnham Family
2nd	\$100	60	Wayne Turner
3rd	\$100	111	Glenn Jenkins
4th	\$50	121	Paulie Whaitiri
Week Three			
1st	\$200	45	Paulie Whaitiri
2nd	\$100	140	Jim Faithfull
3rd	\$100	72	Andrew Kelso
4th	\$50	70	Grant Webley
Week Four			
1st	\$200	16	Scott Pawson
2nd	\$100	73	Steve Cooke & Jacko
3rd	\$100	40	Kevin Odgers & Jim Christie
4th	\$50	117	Fitchie17 Syndicate
Week Five			
1st	\$500	41	Nigel & Kate Turner
2nd	\$200	44	Wayne Burleigh
3rd	\$100	75	Brian Archer/Robbie Arnold
4th	\$100	93	Bill Barry
Week Six			
1st	\$200	70	Grant Webley
2nd	\$100	33	Wayne Robertson
3rd	\$100	1	Allan Berke
4th	\$50	40	Kevin Odgers & Jim Christie
Week Seven			
1st	\$200	78	Trevor & Ralene White
2nd	\$100	48	Kevin London
3rd	\$100	136	Chelsea Kershaw (c/o Paulie)
4th	\$50	71	Kerrin Winstanley
Week Eight			
1st	\$200	87	Andrew Weastell/Glenn Webley
2nd	\$100	101	Garth Samuels
3rd	\$100	29	Glenn Harris
4th	\$50	144	Matt Mustchin
Week Nine			
1st	\$500	83	Tony Claxton & Paul Kendall
2nd	\$200	72	Andrew Kelso
3rd	\$100	43	Brett Stanley
4th	\$100	123	Doug & Cara Stewart
Week Ten			
1st	\$200	32	Murray McCoubrey
2nd	\$100	128	Nick McMullan
3rd	\$100	88	Dawne Aitchison
4th	\$50	8	Trevor Stokes

Week Eleven			
1st	\$200	64	Greg Lamb
2nd	\$100	49	Andrew Littlejohn
3rd	\$100	47	Zena Smith
4th	\$50	17	Lee Brown
Week Twelve			
1st	\$200	46	Shaun & Lisa Creek
2nd	\$100	131	Alan Jackson
3rd	\$100	71	Kerrin Winstanley
4th	\$50	75	Brian Archer/Robbie Arnold



NBRFC E-COMMERCE SITE IS HERE!

As communicated in last month's newsletter, our new E-Commerce site is all set up to sell Supporters gear and rugby accessories.

Just like other e-commerce sites, you are able to go on to the website and place orders for a range of items which you can pay for on-line, and either have delivered or collect from their warehouse (Moncur Place behind Addington Raceway)

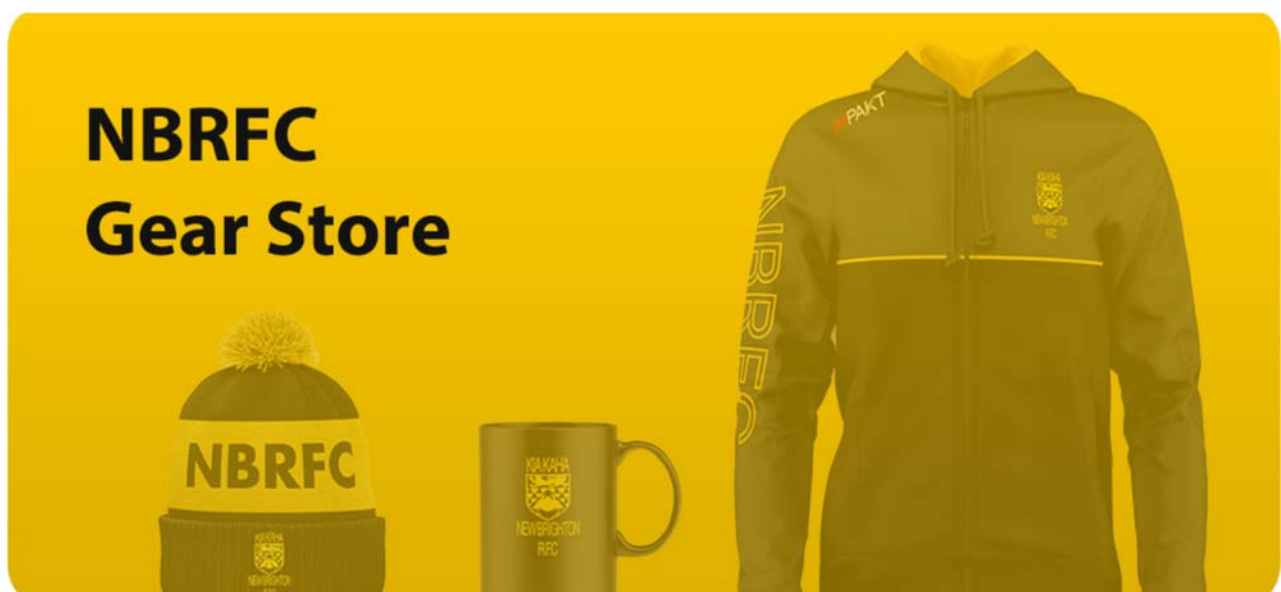
We have kept the range tight to start with, but happy to consider other products in due course, so please let me know if you have any suggestions of other products that could be added.

To access the site, you can click on the [Gear Store tab on the website](#), or go through the [Gear Store tab on the app](#)

This range will become our Official range of Supporters apparel going forward and should ensure we have some consistency with the look of our many Supporters.

Happy shopping!!!

Regards
Wayne



AN UPDATE FROM OUR RDO

Since our last report we have had some repeated success by our teams across all grades.

The Premiers finished 5th on the table earning their place in the top 6 championship round, Colts Premiers placed 4th and have now got their sights on finishing in the top 4 for second round to do one better than last year and strive for the final. Our Premier Reserves have been on a three game win streak that was unfortunately broken by Lincoln University in the weekend, we have a core group of players and then supplemented by other sides which put out a strong team week and week out for Bruv and Keiran to work with.

Our Under 18's are playing some quality rugby and were promoted recently to Division 2 where they remain unbeaten. This is an exciting side that will be pushing through to colts in the next year or two. Jared, Slippery and Gabriel are doing a great job with these young men.

Last week the Premiers and Colts Premiers had a dinner put on for them by a couple of members of the rugby committee. It was an outstanding meal and well needed as we get into the heart of winter. We will be looking to host our other sides in the coming month or two as well.

Some of our players have been recognised for higher honours over the past month or so and we are so proud of them. Tyson Belworthy and Thomas Edwards have been invited for the second round of the Canterbury Under 19's. Unfortunately Shaun Berryman missed out on the second round but the experience he got through the first round would have set him up well and provided exposure to high performance rugby. Boris Van Bruchem has been added to the Canterbury Wider Training group in the past two weeks based off his impressive 2018 season and his form this year after being away in Canada for university.

We have an exciting few weeks coming up as the Premiers and Colts Premiers continue their second round and get points on the table while our other teams continue to work through the first round and aim to place in the top pools.

Regards
ANDY

SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

FRIDAY 16 AUGUST 2019

Put this date in your diary!

MAJOR CLUB RAFFLE

Kevin Odgers is running a major Club raffle on behalf of the Management Committee again this season.

Books have been distributed/made available to all members over the last few weeks. The raffle is \$2 per ticket and are sold in books of 10 tickets

We thank each of the people that kindly donated the prizes for this raffle this season -

Dave Fairless - Fujitsu Heat Pump

Bill Barry - Carpet and vinyl prize

Scott Taylor - TV

Jim Christie/Kevin Odgers - Repco prize

Pig in a Barrow - Paul Holdem

The raffle will be draw on Saturday 27 July 2019.

We appeal to all members to support this raffle and play their part in selling all 3000 tickets to achieve our fundraising goal.

We would like to see all money in by 13 July 2019 at the latest.

REMINDER

WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP CARD DRAW

6.45PM EACH SATURDAY

\$50 CASH PRIZE TO BE WON EACH WEEK

**MEMBER MUST BE PRESENT WITH THEIR
MEMBERSHIP CARD**

RYAN CROTTY's 150th CRUSADERS GAME



Ryan Crotty played his 150th Investec Super Rugby game on 8 June against the Rebels.

The West Stand at Christchurch Stadium was renamed the '**Ryan Crotty Stand**' for this match, and members of our Club were asked to play a significant part in the pre-match for Ryan by forming a guard of honour for Ryan. As mentioned in Doug's report the junior section turnout was phenomenal!

This was a fantastic gesture from the Crusaders in recognition of how important the Club is to Ryan, and in return how much we respect Ryan for his not only his on-field contribution to the Crusaders, but also the massive amount he has done for our profile and the way he continues to contribute to the grass roots level within the Club.

An intelligent midfielder and natural leader, Ryan earned his first start for the Crusaders in 2009 against Western Force and scored his first Super Rugby try early in that match.

He took over the vice-captaincy for the Crusaders in 2014 and ended up Captaining for a number of games while Kieran Read was out injured. He had a very impressive season, earning his first start for the All Blacks against the Wallabies in 2013. He has earned over 40 Test caps since then and has become a regular starter in the All Black squad.

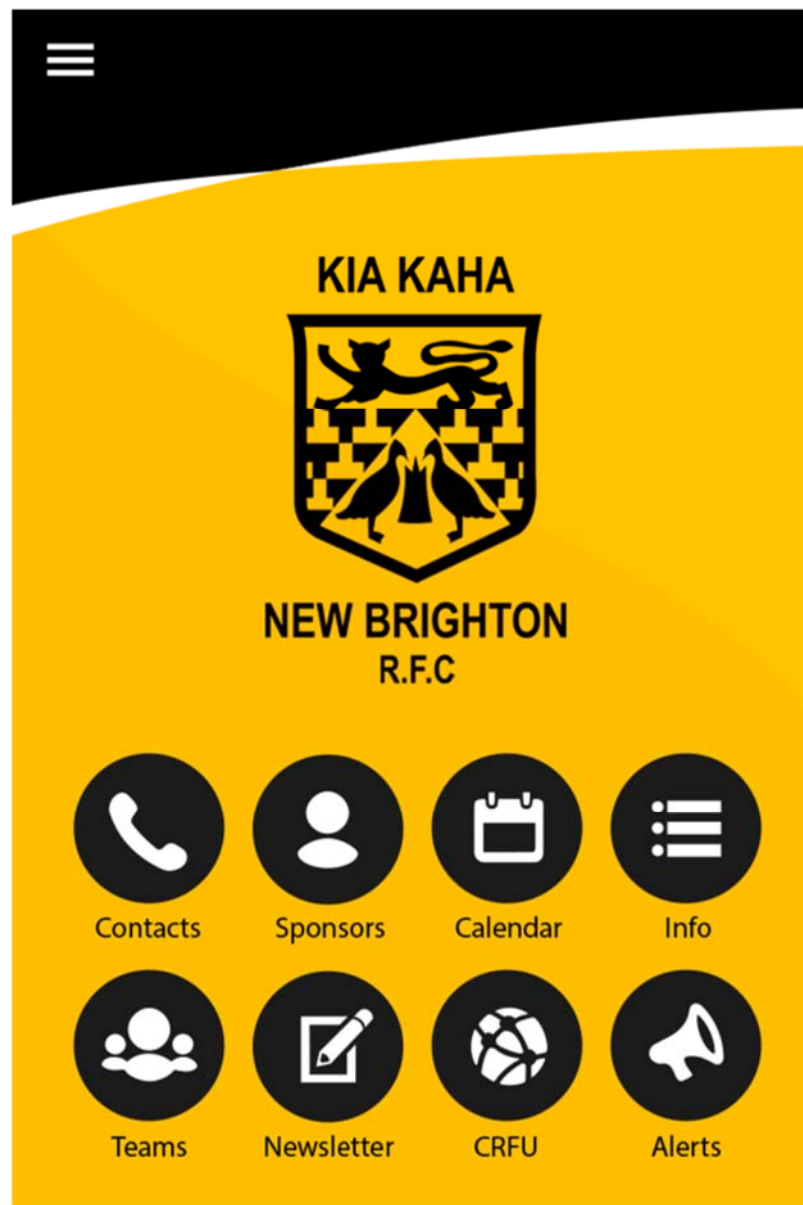
Ryan was selected for the Junior All Blacks in 2009. He was also a member of the successful New Zealand Under-20 team at the Junior World Championships in Wales in 2011 and captaining the team against Ireland.

WHAT A NIGHT FOR RYAN, OUR MEMBERS AND PROFILE OF OUR CLUB!!



NEW BRIGHTON RUGBY NOW HAS A NEW CLUB APP!

Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device
Search “ClubAppsNZ” to download the app on your device
Then search “New Brighton Rugby Club” to find our app



This app now has a link to the CRFU Sporty link to keep track of draws, results and points tables throughout the season