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New RDO Appointment—Welcome Andy!



The Management Committee are pleased to confirm the appointment of Andy Gibson to the role of our Club RDO.

Andy is very familiar with the Club with his grandfather Dave Gibson having played 103 senior games between 1940-49, and his father Ross having played 1129 game between 1974-85.

Andy graduated Canterbury University with a Degree in Sport Coaching and with then created his own business, Release Sports, which has a variety of services from sports delivery to administration. While running Release Sports he has been actively coaching in various roles from Head Coach at Linwood Rugby Club, Backs Coach for the Canterbury U19's and currently Head Coaching the Shirley Boys' High School 1st XV.

Andy was a stand-out candidate amongst a good number of applicants and we are pleased to have him. We believe Andy has the skills to take our Club forward in a positive direction in season's to come.

Andy's contact details are on the Club website and also on the contacts page of our new App.

JUNIOR CLUB DAY SATURDAY 26 MAY 2018

**COME AND WATCH OUR BUDDING STARS AT
RAWHITI STADIUM THIS SATURDAY**

UPDATE FROM THE JUNIOR SECTION

Kia Ora

On behalf of the Junior Committee, players and supporters, welcome to the 2018 season.

After a slightly later than usual start, the junior season finally got under way on 28th April 2018 and after the first few weeks of grading games, we are now well into our season. The club again boasts well over 230 players, across 17 teams, ranging across all the grades [U6 – U13] with particularly strong representation amongst the U6 and U7 ripper grades which bodes well for the growth of the club in future seasons. We are fortunate this season, to also have a team in the U16 grade – a side that has largely been pieced together by the players themselves – and we are glad that they chose to call New Brighton their home.

As with any junior club, and rugby club in general, we rely on volunteers to form our coaches and managers for the teams, and we want to thank those who have stepped in to a coaching/managing role for the time and effort they put into helping the children gain as much as they can from their rugby experience. It's the goal of the club to support these coaches and managers best we can so that the children can not only grow their skill levels and experience, but most importantly have fun in doing so. Half time oranges, plenty of mud, and full-time smiles are what make the experience so rewarding!

We'd also like to give thanks to those companies that support our junior teams with clothing and apparel to keep them warm during practice and on Saturday mornings. There are purely too many to name as sponsors of individual sides but if you pop down on a Saturday morning and take note of the sponsors on the jerseys you'll understand the level of support that we're lucky to have for our junior club. On behalf of the junior club, our thanks go to Westende Jewellers for the Player of the Day trophies and medals, and the Naked Baker for keeping us all well-caffinated on a Saturday morning and their help with fundraising for the club through their famous pies.

This coming **Saturday 26th May**, we will host our annual junior club day – a day which sees all New Brighton junior sides play on Rawhiti domain. The games will start from 9am across all 3 fields on Rawhiti domain and we'd love to see as many members as possible down to support the teams. If you can't make it this week, rest assured there will be plenty of rugby to watch at both Thomson Park and Rawhiti domain over the coming weeks and months.

Please don't underestimate the positive impact your support has on the children as they play – it only helps enhance their rugby experience and they are, after all, our future!

KIA KAHA

DOUG STEWART

JOINT JUNIOR CLUB CAPTAIN

NBRFC DARTS COMPETITION

This season sees the introduction of the inaugural NBRFC darts competition.

The competition will be played in both a Men's and Mixed double format in the Clubrooms on Saturday evening's. This will become an annual event with a trophy and pride at stake in both competitions.

Details -

- (a) Qualifying for the Men's events will commence from 7pm on **Saturday 9 June 2018**
- (b) The top 8 qualifiers will compete in playoffs and then the final on **Saturday 23 June 2018**
- (c) Qualifying for the Mixed event will commence from 7pm on **Saturday 30 June 2018**
- (d) The top 8 qualifiers will compete in playoffs and then the final on **Saturday 7 July 2018**

Duration of matches will be determined once total entries are know.

Cost of entry will be **\$20 per pair**. The entry fee must be paid by **Saturday 2 June 2018** (Closing day for entries)

There will be spot prizes and prizes for best dressed.

So get yourself a partner and come on down to the club to take part in what could well be a huge four evenings in New Brighton RFC history.

The entry sheet will be in the Clubrooms on Saturday night or you can email Wayne Turner.



PREMIER RESERVE 2018

The 2018 Premier Reserve (formerly Division 2) team is vastly different to the past few seasons.

With a number of the 2017 season squad either retiring or dropping down to the Senior grade (Div 3) we has real problems getting this team confirmed. In the end the decision was made to combine this team with the Senior Grade "Lions" team from last year as we needed to ensure we had a team participating in this grade.

With such a disrupted preparation, it is no wonder the team has struggled in the first few weeks but they are now showing signs if developing into a competitive unit. They have also been fortunate to have a reasonable number of the extended Premier squad players each week while has been a great help.

This season the team is coached by Henare Faithfull who is having a year off playing while he recovers from injury, and Mike Due who has returned to coaching ranks at the Club after a few seasons away.

Denis Cations has stepped back from coaching into a Manager's role alongside Brian Barlow, and Wade De Garnham assisted before he left recently for a period of time overseas on active duty. The every present water boy Trent Waldron completes the Management team.

Connor Arnold
Dallas Barlow
Matt Burnside
Luis Canti Argaya
Stephen Coleman
Chevy de Bes-Young
Nikolas Ellery
Joseph Faletanoai
Peter Foaese
Connor Harker
Zion Hiley
TeNawe Hooper-Whiti

Jayden Iti
James Kaihe
Lima Jonathan
Ben McBride
Shaun McNicol
Dean Nesbitt
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Devan Rigby
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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

ACE OF SPADES

Weekly draws now underway!



Instead of our weekly membership draw from past seasons, we are now doing something different!

- (1) Draw will be conducted at **6.45pm** each Saturday.
- (2) All members need to present their membership card, put their name on a piece of paper and drop it into a container. One name is drawn out each week
- (3) We will have 52 cards on display on a board and the winning person will **throw a dart at the board**. Each card will have a prize to be won.
- (4) The Ace of Spades will start at \$200 for the first week and jackpot \$25 per week

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT IS \$275

**MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO STAY UNTIL
AFTER SPEECHES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE
WEEKLY DRAW**

PLAYER AND COACH DEVELOPMENT RAFFLE

DRAW WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER SPEECHES ON SATURDAY NIGHT 26 MAY 2018

THANKS TO ALL MEMBERS FOR SELLING THEIR ALLOCATED TICKETS!

THANKS TO KEVIN ODGERS FOR ARRANGING THIS RAFFLE

COMING EVENT

BLAZER DAY 2018

SATURDAY 16 JUNE 2018

GO FOR GOLD RESULTS

Thank you to all ticket holders for their generous support of our Club.

We still have 25 tickets to sell, so please contact Wayne Turner if interested in purchasing a ticket. Tickets cost \$10 per week.

Week One			
1st	\$500	72	Andrew Kelso
2nd	\$200	75	Brian Archer/Robbie Arnold
3rd	\$100	37	Ashley Fitchett
4th	\$100	69	Tyson Keats
Week Two			
1st	\$200	115	Rob Arnold/Wayne Reeves-Smith
2nd	\$100	36	Steve Messervy
3rd	\$100	88	Dawne Aitchison
4th	\$50	94	Graeme Ellis
Week Three			
1st	\$200	117	Fitchie17 Syndicate
2nd	\$100	61	John Makuru
3rd	\$100	112	Michael Burry
4th	\$50	49	Andrew Littlejohn
Week Four			
1st	\$200	95	Jarrold Ward
2nd	\$100	45	Paulie Gonzalez
3rd	\$100	44	Wayne Burleigh
4th	\$50	102	Tony Christie/Ben Hanham
Week Five			
1st	\$500	47	Ceddie Smith
2nd	\$200	125	Christina Harris
3rd	\$100	76	Ian Penrose
4th	\$100	66	Geoff Atkinson
Week Six			
1st	\$200	90	Paula & Kieran Le Beau
2nd	\$100	79	Marcel Cummings-Toone
3rd	\$100	95	Jarrold Ward
4th	\$50	123	Doug & Cara Stewart
Week Seven			
1st	\$200	86	Alan Hyett
2nd	\$100	66	Geoff Atkinson
3rd	\$100	116	Warwick Reid
4th	\$50	101	Garth Samuels

OXFORD GROUP LOYALTY CARD

The Management Committee have recently joined the Club up to a Loyalty Programme with the Oxford Group who own a number of bars/restaurants around Christchurch.

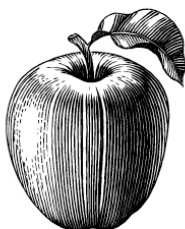
This scheme will act as a fundraiser for the Club as a proportion of all purchases made by Club members will be returned to the Club as a rebate. The Club member will also be offered a discount at the time of purchase as well.

We have a limited number of Loyalty Cards that have been distributed among some teams, but all other members are simply asked to **say you are a member of New Brighton Rugby** when you go to any of these bar/s/restaurants so your purchase can be recorded.

The Bars/Restaurants concerned are -

**FAT
EDDIE'S**

KONG



ORIGINAL SIN

**THE
Bealey**
ALE AND STEAK HOUSE

the BOG
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