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## BLAZER DAY SATURDAY 8 JUNE 2024

This Saturday is our annual Blazer Day event which celebrates all the players that have played 50 games at Senior Division One/Premier level each season.

We are expecting a good turnout of our Blazer Cup members who will be in the gazebo at the northern end of the field for the Premier game, and then join us upstairs for food and refreshments.

We will once again be presenting two past players with blazers so we encourage all members to be in the lounge for these presentations which will start at 5.30pm.

This year is also a double celebration, **as it is the 40th anniversary of the Trust bank Canterbury Championship success for the 1984 team.** We expect a good number of the squad to be present and share some of their experiences during their successful season.

With all our teams playing at home, we should have great numbers on the sideline and we look forward to a packed Clubrooms to celebrate Blazer Day.

The timetable for the early evening is

<b>5.30pm</b>	Premier speeches
<b>5.50pm</b>	Blazer Day presentations and food
<b>6.15pm</b>	Club Speeches

**KAI KAHA**



# A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Well we had a great Club Day with weather playing part which helped for some exciting rugby and an excellent night at the club. Some of players just need to remember this is their Club and their behavior reflects on all of us.

Wasn't it great to see the sponsors tent up and juniors running the sausage sizzle. The bacon butties were delicious. We have almost 40 sponsors flags to erect now so thanks to all who assisted.

It's going to be busy on Saturday nights from now on with the junior teams sharing our evenings which adds to the occasion. I'm really looking forward to my granddaughter Marnie having her year of tackle but she is fearless so I think she will be fine. I have 2 other grandchildren playing so my Saturday morning will be full on.

I'm hoping by the time you read this our grandstands are being well used as it's so good to sit and watch the rugby.

The Management Committee have some very proactive sub committees incl finance, rugby, sponsorship and other defined roles making things run more smoothly.

I would to thank all our teams at this stage for their competitiveness and I'm sure more success is close at hand.

Kia Kaha  
Derek Davidson

## POST GAME ASSISTANCE

A very small crew of members is currently assisting to bring in all the equipment off the fields after home games have finished.

Given we have so many members on the sidelines, it would be really great if some could put their hand up to assist to bring in some of the gear?

Even if a few could take one load into the gear shed, it will make a massive difference and allow us all to get back in to the warmth of the Clubrooms a bit quicker.

Thanks in anticipation of seeing some more assistance from this weekend and for the remainder of the season!



# AN UPDATE FROM OUR RDO

The Premier team has experienced a series of frustratingly narrow losses so far throughout the season, which has tested their resilience. However, their impressive 50-point performance against Lincoln showcased their potential and skill. With this momentum, they are now focused on aiming for a strong finish in the last four games of the season, determined to turn their hard work into victories and end on a high note.

The Premier Reserve team is leading the way this season, as they look to hold that position on top of the table. Their latest game ended in a close contest against Sydenham, with a last-minute try and clutch conversion, securing a close win. This victory highlights the teams drive and they have had some large scores vs other teams so it was great to see them close out a tight game.

Much like the Premier team, the Colts have faced several close games, struggling to secure victories despite their efforts. A notable highlight of their season was clinching their first win, a triumph that was made even better by capturing the Challenge Shield against HSOB. This victory has been a significant morale booster for the team, showcasing what they can do when they put a full 80 minute performance together.

The U85kg team has finally kicked off their competition, making an impressive start by securing a commanding first victory against Sydenham. They will play 2 rounds against Lincoln and Burnside and have high hopes of taking out the competition.

**Trent Fleming**

## DID YOU NOTICE?

ECSR have recently replaced all the coverings on the bar stools in the upstairs lounge at a cost of around \$1000. All seats have been covered with a grey fabric which replaces the old tan covering that were starting to deteriorate and split.

This Saturday, all members will note a new 75" TV screen in the middle of the wall that has also been purchased by ECSR at a cost of \$1800. This will allow the existing TV to be repositioned to the north –east corner of the lounge to replace a faulty TV in the corner.

This continued investment in the facilities keeps us up with the very best Club facilities in Christchurch.

# CARISBROOK TOOMALATAI 100TH GAME v Shirley—Saturday 25 May 2024

Nicknames: “Mishalak” “Fridge”



Brooke has been a driving force and punishing defender for many years. A true Brighton man, it is a testament to him and his warrior spirit that throughout his 100 games he would almost always have played a full 80 minutes, including a legendary 70 minute slog in the height of covid 3 hours out of quarantine, a game he doesn't remember much of.

Since moving to the club to play colts in the 2013 season Brooke's game has developed and grown to where he is now regarded as one of, if not the, best prop in the Christchurch Club scene.

With stints for Canterbury A, Samoa A and finally Canterbury in last years domestic comp Brook is fully capable of playing with the best.

He is a quiet, humble man who prefers to do his talking through his actions on the field. His crumbling tackles and strong runs a key to his game and his scrum work the delight of all who yell “Frrridddge!” and sport the Brighton black and gold.

Off the field Brook is reserved, humble and caring. He loves a good beer with the lads and can often be found sleeping on the couch of many a house party at 4am.

His family are his priority and we at Brighton are lucky that he found this Club to call his Home and this team his brothers.

Congratulations on your achievements Carisbrook.

KIA KAHAKA

# **SPONSORS DIRECTORY**

Remember to grab your copy of the Sponsors directory. We encourage members to use these businesses when you are looking to purchase goods/services are potentially offered by our Sponsors.

**Please make sure you let the Business know you are from NBRFC when you contact them!**



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## **OBITUARIES**



The Club would like to record the passing of too long-term valued members of the Club over recent weeks.

**GLENN HARRIS**

**GRAHAM STANLEY**

Best wishes to the extended family of Glenn and Graham.

# THE SEASON SO FAR ....

## UNDER 85KG

A slow start from a disorganised union. Wasn't enough to keep New Brighton's u85's from reaping havoc on the rest of the competition.

In our 4 (60 minute) preseason games we scored over 240 points with only a handful of tries scored against us. 3 of these games saw 3 different players scoring hat-tricks, showing skill across the board in this team.

This side is filled with a great group of lads. The core being a group of boys straight out of Colts that are really putting the "social" into the group. Led around the park by Jay Hill-Cattermole and Matt Hill. Hearty footy players in their own right and diabolical in this grade. With lead by actions attitudes they have the rest of the pack tackling and running harder than any coaching could train. This group will go far this season.

An exciting first competition game with a convincing 55-7 win, with yet another player scoring a hat-trick. Katoa Turner a young New Brighton prospect has a bright future in rugby. Honourable mentions to Max Cattermole for scoring a try with his first touch of a rugby ball in 8 years. Rumour has it he's still talking about it.

The u85kg grade is a great concept to keep players in the game. We have players that have finished with colts continuing to play in our grade against players their own weight. We have players that haven't played since high school with years between returning to play without the big collisions and fear of injury.

I look forward to what this season holds and for the future of this side.

Kia Kaha.

Head Coach - Henare Faithfull

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# THE SEASON SO FAR ....

## COLTS

Metro - Colts (Tahi)								
	Played	Won	Lost	Draw	Bonus	For	Against	POINTS
Universit Vipers	7	7	0	0	7	342	89	35
Lincoln Univ	7	6	1	0	6	258	105	30
Linwood	7	5	2	0	3	230	144	23
Sumner	7	4	3	0	5	174	125	21
Marist Albion	7	4	3	0	4	187	173	20
HSOB	6	4	2	0	3	197	114	19
Sydenham	6	3	3	0	4	115	115	16
Shirley	7	2	5	0	5	179	208	13
University Battlesnakes	7	2	5	0	2	122	304	10
<b>New Brighton</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>9</b>
Christchurch	7	1	6	0	2	95	370	6
Burnside	6	1	5	0	1	102	199	5

The 2024 season for the New Brighton Premier Colts rugby team has been a real mix of challenges and promise. The team comprises a blend of returning players and new talent, displaying significant potential under the guidance of well-balanced coaching and management group.

Despite the current standings, the team's performance has shown a lot of potential. Four of the five losses were very close, competitive matches that could have gone either way with a bit more luck and precision.

The solitary win was a standout performance against HSOB's (a top 4 team at the time), during which New Brighton also clinched the Challenge Shield, a significant morale booster.

The remaining games of the season present an opportunity for New Brighton to disrupt higher-ranked teams and improve their position on the points ladder.

The blend of experience and new talent, along with a committed coaching staff, provides a strong foundation for a successful second half of the season.

Ngā mihi nui

**Wayne Robertson**

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### WARM UP TEES



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# THE SEASON SO FAR ....

## PREMIER RESERVE

Metro - Premier Reserve (Rua)								
	Played	Won	Lost	Draw	Bonus	For	Against	POINTS
<b>New Brighton</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>29</b>
Sydenham	7	4	3	0	6	235	141	22
Sumner	7	4	3	0	6	203	195	22
Christchurch	7	4	3	0	5	164	145	21
Belfast	6	3	3	0	3	161	142	15
University	7	3	4	0	3	145	227	15
Ōtautahi	7	0	7	0	0	105	321	0

After the completion of the first round weeks the premier reserves side sits clear at the top of the table ahead of Christchurch. This has come from 6 wins and one loss including a 62-12 win over Sumner and a 57-3 thrashing of UC. The side has tracked well this season under Head coach Brian Griffiths, assistants Tim Harris and new comer Lance Stephenson. The coaches have been supported well by Brett Stanley, Physio Taylor Homes and waterboy Trent.

The side captained by Brydon Martin with Alex Paterson and Brodie Richards as vice captains respectfully. The side has created a firm connection and brotherhood, with great team culture.

Standout performances from JC bagging plenty of tries in the last 4 games. Misi with his strong defence in midfield and Dax Stanley at halfback has been fantastic and I'm sure is pushing for higher honours in the future. Our forward pack has been outstanding with our scrum that is by far the best in the competition, this has allowed us to set out solid ball for our outstanding backline to fire.

The side travelled to Hoon Hay Park on Thursday night to play a good Sydenham side with a clear focus to take away a win and push further towards the cup title that the team just fell short of last season. The game had its moments and could easily have gone either way with both teams putting in a strong performance. Thankfully Lewis was able to sneak over in the final minutes to secure an opportunity for Brydon Martin a chance to kick the winning 2 points. A close 26-27 victory that puts the premier reserves side at the top of the table and clear by 7 points.

This week we welcome CHCH to Rawhiti domain to act some revenge from earlier in the season.

It is fantastic to see this side of young men embracing what New Brighton Rugby is about, with pride in their club and Jersey. With an emphasis on What New Brighton means to the club and the local community.

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# THANK YOU EXCEL SCAFFOLDING!!

The Club extends a big thank you to Scott Johnson who has erected two reserves grandstands, and one for spectators on the Rawhiti top field.

These grandstands are a welcome addition to the main field and completes a fantastic set-up on game day.

All members are encouraged to use EXCEL SCAFFOLDING for any scaffolding needs they have in future



# THE SEASON SO FAR ....

## PREMIER

Our Premier team for this year once again has Scott Pawson at the helm, who is assisted by forwards coach Dougie Stewart. We give a warm welcome back to Marcel Cummings-Toone as defence coach and have a new backs coach and strength and conditioning coach.

Tim Keery joins us having previously coached Linwood colts and most recently led the Selwyn Schools combined team in the Miles Toyota Cup 1<sup>st</sup> 15 competition as well as a coaching stint with the Junior Crusaders team. Tim fills the void left by Fonnies as the backs coach.

Tom Brian Perese-Kuil joins the team as strength and conditioning coach. Tom is working with a couple of 1<sup>st</sup> 15 teams in CHCH and also within our HPU.

We have a new physio this year in Nisar Khan. Nisar joins us from one of our sponsors, Breezes Physiotherapy, and has recently emigrated to NZ from Pakistan, where he was involved with the national cricket team.

A number of last year's players have returned to once again don the club colours and are joined by some great young talent. We have had 14 debuts so far this year as follows:

Alex Colenso, Lincoln University	Alizjah Campbell (yet to play), Selwyn Schools and Jnr Crusaders
Dean Moltzen, Sumner	Guilhem Bourgois, former Top 14 player from France
Isaac Redman, St Thomas via UC	Jamayne Feast-Marshall, St Bedes and Jnr Crusaders
Joe Fatai, Timaru Boys and Jnr Crusaders	Luke Atkinson, Shirley Boys and Jnr Crusaders
Radford Powell, St Andrews and Jnr Crusaders	Sam Townsley, English import
Thomas Ruwhiu, Lincoln University	Tino Leuta, St Thomas and Jnr Crusaders
Toby Clemett, Lincoln University	Wiremu Ruawai, NBRFC Colts
Jasper Shanahan, NBRFC Colts	

It has been a rebuilding season trying to embed the new guys into what it means to be a New Brighton Man. Some unlucky losses to start the season losing the first 3 hit outs by 9 points or less, before finally getting the win in the 4<sup>th</sup> game. Another close loss was to come and then the team decided to showcase what they are capable of, in the way of a 50 – 7 drumming of Lincoln University.

The team headed to Shirley to celebrate Brook playing his 100<sup>th</sup> game for the club. Unfortunately we went down 20-22 but the boys put in their all. We have a break for Kings Birthday and then will come back refreshed for the business part of the season starting with a home clash against Sumner to settle the argument of who is the best beach.

**Wade de Garnham**  
**Manager**



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Metro - Premier (Round Robin)								
	Played	Won	Lost	Draw	Bonus	For	Against	POINTS
Burnside	7	5	2	0	7	279	167	27
Sydenham	7	5	2	0	7	259	168	27
University	7	4	2	1	8	215	166	26
Sumner	7	5	2	0	6	205	230	26
Marist Albion	7	3	2	2	8	257	199	24
SOB	7	5	2	0	4	207	158	24
Lincoln University	7	4	2	1	5	251	236	23
Shirley	7	3	4	0	4	186	231	16
Linwood	7	2	5	0	5	188	240	13
<b>New Brighton</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>12</b>
Belfast	7	1	6	0	5	139	297	9
Christchurch	7	1	6	0	2	130	254	6

## THANKS TO

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PREMIER, PREMIER RESERVE AND COLTS

# GOLDEN LIONS UPDATE



We are happy to have the Bower as our sponsor this year, so this meant our first game was a game of Cricket vs the Bower. Fun day had by all.

A big welcome to all the new players, some new people to the club as well as some players who have dusted off their boots from senior days.

The first game was New Brighton hosting Springston a great bunch of guys. We unleashed our new ref this year Shakey McBeath, who was very generous in handing out yellow cards.

We have added a new team to our roster this year, we headed out and played Kirwee at Kirwee. Another great day with great host we look forward to hosting them next year.

Overall it is a great start to the year - no A & E trips!

A big thanks to the team behind the team, the Managers and Committee. Thank you to Alan Burke for some great action shots.

Our next game we are hosting Woodend at home on Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> of June at 2pm kickoff.

So if you're lost for something to do come down and watch rugby played in slow motion.

## Remaining Games

June 9th	v Woodend - Home
July 7th	v Amuri - Away
July 28th	v Linwood - Home
August 25th	v Kaiapoi Tournament

Team Captain	Michael Woodrow
Managers	Rob Arnold, Shakey McBeath
Treasurer	Andrew Kelso
Secretary	Darren Reeves-Smith

**Michael Woodrow**



# JUNIOR SECTION UPDATE

The junior season is fully underway now after 2 weeks of grading.

All teams are doing well and we have had 2 teams moved into the top sections in their grades. This is a great achievement and we congratulate them on achieving this .

We have also been lucky enough to find sponsors this season to help get all our Players, Coaches and Managers Hoodies. We are very grateful for their generosity.

Our amazing Sponsors are -

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New Brighton 7's Tournament

Junior club day this year is 22<sup>nd</sup> June – if you are free please pop down to Rawhiti and watch out Junior teams in action!

Ange Simpson  
Junior Club Captain

## UPCOMING JUNIOR DATES

JUNIOR CLUB DAY  
SATURDAY 22 JUNE 2024

TRIVIA EVENING  
FRIDAY 5 JULY 2024

# NBRFC SUPPORTERS GEAR

Our E-Commerce site is all set up to sell Supporters gear and rugby accessories.

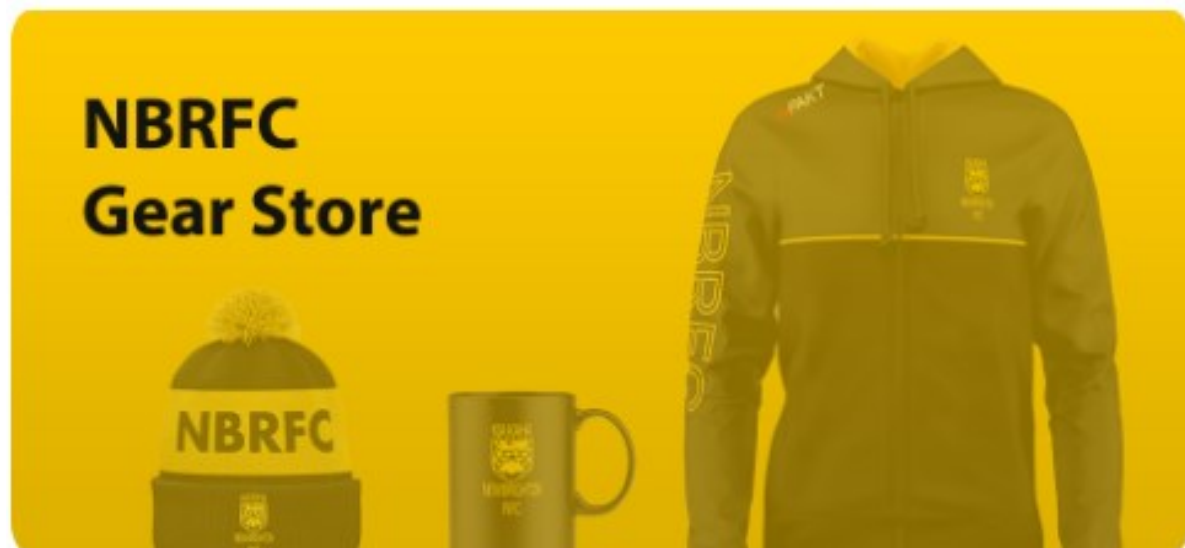
Just like other e-commerce sites, you are able to go on to the website and place orders for a range of items which you can pay for on-line, and either have delivered or collect from their warehouse (Moncur Place behind Addington Raceway)

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 is 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





# 2024 GO FOR GOLD FUNDRAISER

The "Go for Gold" Club remains one of our two major fundraising events each year, and we are keen to continue it again this season.

We still have a large number of tickets available, so if you would like to take one, please contact Wayne Turner ASAP

EMAIL:      wayne.turner1@xtra.co.nz

CELLPHONE:              (021 748144)

We thank you in anticipation of your continued support of the New Brighton Rugby Football Club.

## RESULTS SO FAR

Week One			
1st	\$500	36	David Beaumont
2nd	\$200	128	Tengiz Partnership (Wayne Robertson/Nathan Morris)
3rd	\$100	72	Andrew & Fleur Kelso
4th	\$100	78	Trevor & Ralene White
Week Two			
1st	\$200	72	Andrew & Fleur Kelso
2nd	\$100	67	Steve Muir
3rd	\$100	79	Bruce & Trish Gibson
4th	\$50	38	Wayne Turner
Week Three			
1st	\$200	139	Chantelle/Nick McCrostie
2nd	\$100	41	Nigel & Kate Turner
3rd	\$100	119	Chantelle/Nick McCrostie
4th	\$50	63	The Macs Syndicate (Mike & Dave)
Week Four			
1st	\$500	91	Mark & Emma Lanyon
2nd	\$200	63	The Macs Syndicate (Mike & Dave)
3rd	\$100	72	Andrew & Fleur Kelso
4th	\$100	15	Doug & Cara Stewart
Week Five			
1st	\$200	127	Bill Barry
2nd	\$100	9	Aleisha McConnell
3rd	\$100	23	Trevor Salt
4th	\$50	50	Steve Crotty
Week Six			
1st	\$200	89	Craig Hubert
2nd	\$100	62	Steve Blackler
3rd	\$100	52	Steve Messervy
4th	\$50	21	Ron Vette
Week Seven			
1st	\$200	15	Doug & Cara Stewart
2nd	\$100	131	Allan Jackson (Koru Textiles)
3rd	\$100	120	Garth Samuels
4th	\$50	140	Jim Faithfull



## **What our Logo Means**

**Be strong-hearted like the Lion—never give up**

**Unity of the keystones—live as brothers**

**Fiercely protective as the Pukeko—stand by each other**

**Kia Kaha (be strong) - thrive on the challenge**

***“Whakatangata kia kaha”***

**Let me be a strong person within my family, team and club  
- The best I can be.**