



Scrum Club

Parent's Auxiliary for Rugby

Rugby: Scrum Club

BACKGROUND

The Scrum Club was formed in 1999 and is affiliated with both the Scotch Parents' Association and the Old Scotch Collegians Association. The Scrum Club is a group of rugby-interested parents who support rugby at Scotch and support the school in helping encouraging the boys to play at their full potential. Rugby at Scotch is an exciting sport with approximately over 150 boys registered as players across all age groups, fielding at least one team from Year 7, 8, 9 and 10s plus two teams in Opens.

The school organises an annual tour during the Term 1 holidays for the Open Squad, this year to Singapore. Prior years have been to Perth, New Zealand, Japan, NSW or Queensland. Tours for junior age groups have occurred in the past & are being planned by the school.

The Scotch 1st XV were Premiers in 2002 and 2006, they came 2nd in 2007 and 2008 and 3rd in 2009.

Many Scotch boys over the years have achieved Victorian representation at U14, U16 & Opens levels, with some going on to even higher honours with the Australian School boys. In 2010 three players were selected to play in the Australian Schools Rugby Championships (Under 18) Division II.

Scotch's Melbourne Rebels Ambassadors for 2012 are: James O'Connor and Laurie Weeks.

This year marks the 80th year of Scotch & Victoria Schoolboys rugby. To mark this special occasion Scotch will play Melbourne Grammar in the 80th Anniversary match of the first game of schoolboy rugby played in Victoria, at AAMI Park as the curtain raiser to the Melbourne Rebels v Crusaders game, on Saturday 12th May.

2012 promises to be a great year for rugby in Victoria and at Scotch, and the Scrum Club looks forward to your involvement. It's a great way to meet other parents, and the Scrum Club is well known for its conviviality and sense of fun.

MAIN ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Rugby Training Camp

On Thursday 12th and Friday 13th April at Scotch, Year 7 & 8 boys will participate from 9.15am to 3.00pm and Year 9 & 10 boys will participate from 9.15am to 4.00pm. This camp will allow all the boys to hone their skills with the Scotch coaching staff and specialist coaches. Last year Rebels players Laurie Weeks and Gareth Delve attended.

Welcome function: on Sunday 22nd April from 5.00pm at the Cardinal Pavilion, the Club holds its annual welcome function to kick-off the Rugby Season and welcome all boys, their parents and families into the Scotch Rugby Community. This year the food theme is Pizza & the function is BYO.

Barbecues: Every week home match we supply a complimentary drink and sausage for every player. This is a great starting place to get involved by helping you get to know other Scotch parents in the same and other Year Levels.

"Fun" raiser Cocktail Party: This is a fun night to which all parents and members of the Scrum Club are invited. Please save Saturday 2nd June in your diary for this great social event

80th Anniversary Dinner Function: This year to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the first recorded rugby game in Victoria, between Scotch and Melbourne Grammar. A combined dinner for the boys & current & past parents & old boys of both schools is being organised for Thursday 14th June at Kooyong Tennis Club.

Presentation Night: Presentation Night at the James Forbes Academy on Wednesday 22nd August concludes the season with awards for each year group.

Merchandise: Scrum Club has a selection of supporter and player merchandise for sale, including: Scotch training tops, helmets, hoodles, rugby balls, bags, rugby jumpers, Kooga jackets and scarves

Fundraising: The Scrum Club raises funds to support a full scope of rugby activities at Scotch. These have included:



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- assistance with capital works on or around the rugby field, as well as equipment;
- assistance with coaching and physiotherapy; and
- the sponsorship of touring teams.

Contacts: Year level Representatives help as contacts for parents of their age group from both the TIC of Rugby & SCRUM Club. The 2012 Year 7 Team Rep is Sally Lobley. Sally will organise the roster for match day parent duties, including home BBQs; she will advise all parents about game details & other Scotch Rugby or SCRUM Club information from either the TIC of Rugby or your Committee. Please introduce yourself to Sally & offer to help out. Sally's email address is below & will be listed in the *Torch Newsletter* and on the Scrum Club website.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

All enquiries from interested parents are welcome, Scrum Club information is published in the *Torch Newsletter* & our web site <http://www.scotch.vic.edu.au/Family/scrum/scrum.htm>

Scrum Club 2012 Committee

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