



# RHS RUGBY NEWSLETTER



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## PRESS CUP

**RHS 1<sup>st</sup> XV vs STAC, Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June @ STAC**

Tough day out! St. Andrews were very impressive as they clinically showed RHS how to play rugby at Press Cup level. There were challenges due to soggy underfoot conditions and showers but the STAC side were happy to pick their moments and played skilfully and with a physicality that wasn't matched. Early pressure was on STAC with Rangiora having a bright start to the game. That pressure was absorbed and playing with the wind at their back STAC were able to carve large distances with the boot. The first try came from a well taken lineout drive and from then on it was a steady flow of points with the Rangiora defence unable to stem the flow. 28nil at half-time wasn't what was expected.



The challenge to pick up the effort, focus on the game plan and compete in the second half was the message at half-time. Unfortunately STAC continued where they left off and the score continued to mount. Fresh legs off the bench added some sting to the RHS effort and a final flourish at the end of the game showed what might have been if the heads had been right from the kick-off.

"We're not making any excuses. St Andrews taught us a lesson in rugby today. They played very well. We know that we can play a lot better

and will focus on getting it right for the next game" Captain Kori Jones.

"If you aren't mentally up for a game at this level you will get made to look very average. That isn't an easy lesson to take but smart players learn from it and get better as a consequence. That's the only positive we can take from Saturday" Coach Jim Gilbert. Final score: RHS 0 STAC 50

**Next game: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 1.00 p.m. at Rangiora High School vs Ashburton College**



## Miles Toyota





# Midweek Rugby

## Junior Boys Green

Some photos of the Junior Boys Green in their match against Ellesmere College last Wednesday. RHS Green lost in a close and spirited game 42-36.



## Girls 1<sup>st</sup> XV

The Girls 1<sup>st</sup> XV have now completed all games in their Division and as shown below, have come out strongly on top. From now, they will be playing Division 1 bye teams until the play-offs.

| Division 2         | Played | Won | Lost | Drawn | For | Against | Bonus | Points |
|--------------------|--------|-----|------|-------|-----|---------|-------|--------|
| RANGIORA           | 4      | 4   | 0    | 0     | 153 | 46      | 4     | 20     |
| ST. MARGARET'S     | 2      | 1   | 1    | 0     | 98  | 32      | 2     | 6      |
| DARFIELD-ELLESMERE | 3      | 1   | 2    | 0     | 32  | 156     | 1     | 5      |
| MERCY SCHOOLS      | 3      | 0   | 3    | 0     | 32  | 81      | 2     | 2      |



Yes, it's that time again.

The 1<sup>st</sup> XV is again holding a fundraising Quiz Night at Monteiths Rangiora on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July. Funds raised will go towards Press Cup costs.

Last year this was a very popular event with 15 teams vying for the winning place. This will again be a competitive night, with the SLT team "Crouch, Touch, Pause, Engage" determined to defend their title from 2011. They will not have an easy time, with several of last year's teams quietly confident of improving on their places.

The night is run as a professionally produced multi-media quiz and the winning team received a \$50 Monteiths voucher – and bragging rights. The quiz starts at 6.30 p.m. and runs until 9.30ish. Monteiths provide farmhouse fries to each team during the evening, and also offer a \$20 pizza and pint deal for anyone wanting to dine.

It is a really social, fun night out all the while supporting the 1<sup>st</sup> XV. Tickets are \$10 head. So get together a team of 6-8 people and sign up/pay at the Payments counter in the Student Office or call Sarah on 0274 306 153. There are a limited number of teams so don't miss out.





## RHS 1st XV Player Profile

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| Name                          | Uoseta Manuseuga  |
| House                         | Rutherford  |
| Preferred Position            | Number 8  |
| Previous Club                 | Ashley Club   |
| Rugby player you admire & why | Kieran Read and the Franks brothers. Because every time they run the ball, they always gain 2-3 metres past the advantage line. |
| Most memorable Rugby moment   | When I made the biggest hit on Lincoln's Number 7.  |
| Favourite Food                | Subway  |
| Favourite music               | Reggae  |
| Other sports played           | Volleyball  |
| Interests/hobbies             | Playing drums, bass guitar, piano and guitar for the church band.   |



**Don't forget our Facebook page – check out the latest photos. Thanks to Trudy McKay and Fiona Brakenridge for their professional photos.**

**RHS 1<sup>st</sup> XV would like to thank both Lyn Sparks and The SportShop Rangiora for donating the 2012 match balls.**

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