

MARIST ST PATS RFC

46th ANNUAL REPORT 2016



Front cover: Marist St Pat's Premier Reserves collected the Harper Lock Shield for a powerful first round, and went on to contest the Hardham Cup in the second round.



THE PREMIERS after being presented with the Andy Leslie Trophy for topping the Jubilee Cup round robin.



THE SHAMROCK CLUB's 25th anniversary dinner, held at St Pats College, featured former Wallaby captain John Eales as keynote speaker. Guests agreed it was the best pre-Test dinner in the Shamrock Club's distinguished history.

MARIST ST PATS RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB (Inc) OFFICE BEARERS

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

It is my privilege to present the 46th Annual Report of the Marist St Pats Rugby Football Club, and my first as Chairman.

The 2016 season has been another successful one for Marist St Pats. But while we remain one of Wellington's leading sports clubs, we cannot rest on our laurels. Our club has a proud history built on consistent principles and values - 'the Marist way'. However, times are changing. The Management Board are very aware that we need to adapt to these changes, while ensuring we keep 'the Marist way' that has underpinned our past. In this report I will touch on some of our major successes from 2016, and challenges for the future.

Clubrooms

A significant event in 2016 was the debate generated by the Wellington City Council funding of the Toitu Poneke (Poneke RFC + others) Sports Hub on Kilbirnie Park. As you are aware, the club initially objected to this funding as we believed the process did not take into account all the needs of all Park's users. However, the process did provide the spark for some robust debate about the future of our clubrooms.

While our Hataitai clubrooms have served us very well in the past, the changing nature of social habits and other factors are making standalone social facilities a significant millstone. The aftermatch clubroom attendance this year was disappointing, and this is something we need to understand and address in 2017.

The combination of low attendance and rising maintenance costs means our current set-up is not sustainable. We need to make changes, so this debate was positive in generating discussion on what those changes should be. There were strong views on what we don't want - the task now is to identify what our future could look like. Any initiative will take time, so we need to start now.

Management Board

There was considerable change to the Executive this year with club stalwarts and life members Brian Coulter, MaryAnn Spillane and Alan Woods stepping back from active roles after many, many years. I'd like to take the opportunity to thank Brian, MaryAnn and Alan for the huge contribution they have made to Marist St Pats over the years.

While they were still very generous with their time and willingness to share their knowledge and experience it still left a massive gap to cover, with five of the six Management Board members being new this year. I'd like to thank all the 2016 Executive for the time and energy they put in.

Communication and Engagement

An area where the club is adapting well to a changing world is the use of digital channels. Patrick and Michael Holden are doing a great job in positioning us at the forefront of sporting clubs in the way we use this technology. Our Facebook site has over 5000 members and is becoming a key channel to recruit and engage with club members. JP Tocker's webcasts of premier games have also been a great way to connect club members around the world. These are good examples of working with changes in our society to ensure we remain relevant and attractive as a sporting and social club.

Finance

Generating revenue remained a challenge in 2016 and it will get more difficult. The club are very appreciative for the continuing financial support from the Licencing Trusts, the WRFU, significant donations from Higgins Concrete and The Grand and, of course, the Shamrock Club. Congratulations to The Shamrock Club who celebrated 25 years in 2016. Over this time,

they have not only contributed significant financial support but also added considerably to the social side of the club with their many events, such as the pre-Test dinner, which has become a club institution.

Membership

On the field we were pleased to see a 14% increase in our registered player numbers and fielding one more team than 2015. Especially pleasing was having a premier women's team again, a second colts team, and seeing the success of our sevens teams. These are key areas that we need to continue to focus on to ensure we maintain and grow our player base.

Thanks for your support, contribution and effort in 2016. We do face many challenges and will need to make some tough decisions in the next few years, but I believe we are well positioned to take advantage of these opportunities to keep Marist St Pats at the forefront of both Wellington club rugby and across all sport clubs.

Thank you for choosing to be part of Marist St Pats in 2016.

Mike Hansen

Chairman

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It has been a great honour and privilege to have held the position of president of this great club for the last three seasons. While my time as president has not realised a Jubilee Cup, I believe that we have re-affirmed our status as a top – if not the top – Wellington rugby club. It is, without doubt, a great thing to win a Jubilee Cup and it is every premier club's goal. Winning the cup once in a decade or two doesn't really define greatness, it speaks of occasional success. Winning Jubilee Cups every four years on average and constantly being in the top four or contesting finals does define relative greatness.

We can derive much satisfaction from the success of our teams on the field this year. Our premier team contested the Jubilee Cup final for the second year in a row and coming within millimeters of winning. The premier reserves won the Harper Lock Shield and contested their second round in the Hardham Cup. Our colts and women's teams had successful seasons, with the colts A team and the women, contesting finals.

Our playing stocks are healthy. We have great experience in our top teams and the 2016 season exposed a wealth of exciting young talent.

This season, several players reached milestones. Fa'atonu Fili passed 200 premier games, Ryan Setefano passed 100, while Isiah Petelo, Isaac O'Connor and Valentine Meachen all sit in the 90s. Josh Toomaga, Jacob Taituave and Vince Sakaria all passed 50 games.

Isaac O'Connor again led from the front and maintained his exceptional on-field work rate. The forwards built during the season and were the dominant pack in the Jubilee Cup round. Along with Isaac, Vince Sakaria and Valentine Meachen joined a recovering Jeff Toomaga—Allen in the Wellington Lions. Fantastic recognition for Valli, who has been constantly outstanding. Pago Haini had a great season - devastating with the ball in hand and his injury in the semi-final was a significant blow for us. Matt Peni came into his own and with fewer injuries and more game time he proved how devastating he can be. Nick Harrison and Josh Toomaga are grafters who deserve greater recognition. It is sad to be losing Fankie Fa'atau next year but what a great prospect Ivan Fepuleai is. James Zino, Jacob Taituave and Tovio Apollo played a number of games for the prems and the reserves, often on the same day. The work Arden David did with our props was significant. Our propping stocks were always strong

despite losing Aso early in the season for the year and Vince Sakaria for much of the first round.

Mike Buckley and Peter Sciacia were outstanding and Peter's injury late in the season was a blow. We were, however, well served by young Regan Sword when he played and, with Ken Kapeli on the comeback, the halfback stocks look good.

Nic Fitisemanu, Andrew Robinson and Jamie Parkinson took over the reins of the premier reserve team this year and the team's success is in no small measure a direct result of the positive culture they built.

Thanks also to the MSP Avele team who played a big role in supporting our top two teams, and the Internationals, Presidents and 85 grade teams for their efforts during the season. I must not forget the Vatican Army for undertaking yet another conclave two years in a row, for another Jubilee Cup final.

It is great to see the resurgence of our MSP women's team. They had a great season starting with the sevens and then reaching the finals at the end of the season proper. Georgina Broughton and Tina Vaaua Hamlin were selected for the Wellington Pride development team and Jayne Bryce, Cheyne Copeland and Taimane Siaosi selected in the Wellington under 18s.

On the International stage we wish Victor Vito every success for the next exciting phase for him, playing professionally in France. Congratulations also to Valentine Meachen and Isaia Petelo for their selection for Samoa A and Samoa respectively.

Ivan Fepuleai, Kerrod Foaese, Regan Sword and Nese Solia were selected in the Wellington under-19 squad for the national Jock Hobbs tournament. Matt Peni, Joe Walding-Karaitiana and Ryan Setefano, in the Lions development squad and Jordan Walsh, Jordan Wilson and Michael Findlay in the Centurions under 85 squad, under premier reserve coaches Nic Fitisemanu and Andrew Robinson.

We cherish our association with our two colleges, St Pats Town and St Pats Silverstream. Both teams had good seasons and we acknowledge the success of both colleges' rugby development programmes. While we wish every St Pats player well for their rugby careers beyond school it would be fair to say that we would hope for a greater proportion of rugby playing school leavers coming our way in the future.

Brendan Reidy has decided not to coach next year due to business commitments. Brendan is a coach who has 'been there and done that' in rugby; he has played 42 tests for Samoa, including two world cups, and has played professional rugby in France, England and Italy. Brendan has done an outstanding job with the premier side since taking the helm with Ross Bond in 2013. Over the past three seasons the premiers have won the Swindale Shield, Andy Leslie Trophy and Bill Brien Challenge Cup - along with two Jubilee Cup final appearances. I have enjoyed getting to know Brendan over the last three years and as president I would like to acknowledge his commitment to our club and the young men who have come under his charge.

We lost two great former MSP players during the year. Pete Dunne passed away in February and Billy Collins in June. Both were great players in their time; Pete, a big robust lock and Billy a gifted fullback and inside back. The club was well represented at both funerals.

The Shamrock Club – MSP's business and funding support group – continue to underpin the club financially. All clubs are facing difficulties in the area of finance and we are very lucky to have a group dedicated to the financial support of Marist rugby. The funds raised are used to sustain the on-going development of rugby at the two colleges and to support players from

junior to premier level at MSP; the significance of the Shamrock Club to our operations cannot be understated. This year's Shamrock Club dinner at St Pat's College with guest speaker John Eales was an outstanding event and a tangible example of the operational and organisational capacity of this group.

I would like to thank the members of the management board for their efforts over the last three years. We have been more generationally diverse this year with JP Tocker and Paul Churchman joining the Board providing a youthful perspective. It is great to have a board member who is an active top end player willing to fill the shoes of the incomparable MaryAnn Spillane and doing an outstanding job. They were joined this year by the sage Pat Martin, Ginny Pang, Luke Meredith, Tom Mahony and Bryce Tietjens.

I would like to acknowledge the work and collective support of the RSC, CCO Kas Lealamanua, Martin Paget for his on-going, outstanding work with the Junior Club, and Father Barry Scannell for his support and spiritual guidance. I would like to thank Brian 'Ice' Coulter, my old mentor and coach, Brian McGuinness and Kevin 'Hogan,' Horan for their advice over the last three years.

Club rugby remains the cornerstone of our game. The club is our spiritual home and it must be preserved. We are in a hiatus in relation to the club's future location but are lucky to still have available to us the best clubrooms in Wellington. Despite our location away from our playing ground we still managed to get attendance on Saturdays that would be the envy of most clubs. There are difficulties when the prems and prem reserves play away from home and obviously a negative financial impact. Our top two teams, however, lead the way in both clubroom attendance - including after away games - and deportment in the clubrooms. We need to do better though in getting more teams and supporters up to the club on Saturdays. I would like to reiterate the club's open invitation to any former players and supporters old, young or middle aged, who may have slipped off the radar, to strongly consider coming on board for 2017, even if it is just the occasional home game and a few visits to the clubrooms. Certainly we welcome any new or renewed financial membership.

I would like to acknowledge the club members whose commitment on Saturday nights is crucial to the functioning of the club. I speak of the bar staff Bennar, Melissa and Ben, Margaret in the kitchen, Richard and Terry on the door, and Saturday night team scores' monitor and part–time piano player, Toby. Thanks also to Soody who helped me with speaking duties and generally covered for the things I forgot to say.

Thanks again, best wishes to all club members see you at the AGM.

John Wootton

President

TREASURER'S REPORT

Like 2015 (\$30k), 2016 once again shows a loss after depreciation of \$14k.

Both revenue and expenses were down year on year with the Trading Account improving from a \$29k loss in 2015 to \$19k loss in 2016 largely due to the efforts of the Shamrock Club. Special mention must also be made here to MaryAnn Spillane and Steve Witkowski without whose efforts the club would seriously struggle. Total Income was down by \$22k, with Expenses being down by \$38k, the last two years break-even results were not reached, never mind surpassed.

While there are compensating variations in many items, some of the key contributors to the variances on last year are:

- Income down \$22k: Clubrooms Trading (up \$10k), Donations (down \$5k), Shamrock Club (up \$13k), Fundraising & Sponsorship (down \$17k), Grants (up \$3k).
- Expenses down \$38k: Clubroom Expenses (down \$14k), Juniors (down \$7k), Premier Teams Expenses (up \$5k), Rugby Manager Expenses (down \$17k).

Thankfully, this was an extra profitable year from the Shamrock Club, they truly are the backbone of our club financially.

For all their energy and effort in generating funds for MSP in 2016, grateful thanks go to:

- First Sovereign Trust, Four Winds Foundation, Infinity Trust, NZ Community Trust, Pelorus Trust, Pub Charity, New World Eastern Suburbs Trust, Higgins Construction and Lion Breweries, whose support of MSP is gratefully acknowledged.
- Alan Woods for continuing his successful fundraising projects, namely the Players Raffle, as well as maintaining relationships with SAS Sport (our gear supplier), key sponsors.
- The Shamrock Club, for a great financial result (\$43k profit) achieved through promoting MSP to our corporate sponsors. Thanks again to Brian McGuinness, Peter Woods, Alan Woods, Bob Metcalf, Tony O'Brien, Steve Witkowski and Paul Steven, for your ongoing commitment to the Shamrock Club.
- Andy Bell, with great support from Peter Woods for managing the two \$100 Raffles. Thanks also to our major ticket sellers, Budgie The Legend and Joe Greco for all the hard work.
- Karin Graham for organising the Clubroom Hires, liaising with clubroom staff and suppliers alike and making sure the clubroom was kept in the best possible condition.
- Martin Paget's Junior Committee, with special thanks to George Street Engineering, Quinovic and T & T Landfill for sponsoring the Junior Club.
- Holly Riches for organising and Tom Mahony and his colleagues at Mahony Burrowes Horner for sponsoring the fourth Quiz Night and Fundraising Auction. Again, Jason Pine's professionalism and humour stole the show, with feedback again being extremely positive.

In closing, financially 2017 will be another challenging year for MSP. Clearly, this year's financial result must be addressed. Until significant new revenue initiatives are introduced, the challenge for management group is to:

- 1) Increase revenue from existing sources.
- 2) Cut costs to meet revenue.
- 3) Clubroom attendance.

A huge commitment is required from our volunteers to ensure we can generate enough money to cover our costs and ensure the future of the *Red Machine*.

Paul Churchman

Treasurer

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

We can look back over the year and be proud of our collective efforts on the field. The introduction of new players from around the country and from overseas, the elevation of colts

players into the higher grades, the return of our women's team and fielding a second colts team all added vibrancy and diversity to our club

With our premier reserve side winning the Harper Lock Shield and promotion to the Hardham Cup, the club had five teams making the playoff rounds. Both our premier women's and men's teams contested their respective finals - proof that MSP is a strong, successful, vibrant and sustainable club.

There were several significant individual milestones to celebrate during the year; Jacob Taituave, Vince Sakaria and Josh To'omaga all receiving their blazers for 50 games. Ryan Setefano played his 100th game for the MSP premier team, and Fa'atonu Fili played his 200th Wellington premier club game. We are looking forward to seeing you play your 200th for the club next season Tons!

2016 saw the return of the women's team to MSP. What a wonderful achievement it was for the team to make the Div 2 final in its first year together, especially for such a young side. A well-deserved result for everybody involved. Those fortunate enough to see this team play were treated to seeing some truly gifted rugby players who are the equal of any player in the club. Take the time to get out and support this team in 2017 - you're in for a treat. Their progress over the course of the season reflects not only the dedication of the players but also the efforts of the coaches, Ryan Setefano and Matt Peni, who guided the team to their final while undertaking their own premier campaign at the same time.

After several years of trying, we fielded a second colts side. This is a great achievement and while the team struggled early on, as the season progressed it gelled into a cohesive unit. While the results didn't always go our way, the team has great spirit. We look forward to welcoming these players back next season and growing our age-grade player base.

MSP again attracted a number of players from overseas. Along with players from the US, England, France and Japan, this year we fielded our first Argentinian, Belgian and Maltese players. It's great to have them make their way across the world to take the field in the red jersey proving that the MSP reputation is spreading far and wide across the globe.

The season wasn't without its disappointments. A number of players suffered season-ending injuries. However, it was a testament to their character and their teams that they remained involved while they recovered. It was great to see the fraternal spirit within the teams is as strong as ever and we look forward to seeing the players fully recovered and ready to play in 2017.

I want to mention our on-field discipline which has been improving since a particularly bad season a couple of years ago. This year it was again an improvement over last year and it is encouraging to see that our players are on the whole conducting themselves well on field.

There was however one particularly nasty incident involving an MSP player striking an opposing player after the fulltime whistle. This player received a significant sanction from the union's disciplinary panel and will not be eligible to play until mid-2019. This was the maximum penalty that could be imposed which shows that they do take these incidents seriously. The club also takes these incidents seriously. Coaches, managers and the rugby sub-committee have all counselled our players throughout the season in order to eliminate foul play; it has no part in the MSP game. The consistent message to our players is - 'play hard, play fair'.

In this case the club saw the incident as being serious enough to take the unusual step of revoking this player's membership from Marist St Pats. The message is clear - MSP is here to promote a safe and supportive environment for all its members and all who come to play against us; win, lose or draw, foul play has no place in our game and no place in our club.

As you read this, recruitment is well underway with a number of new players already committed to playing for MSP in 2017. If you aware of players looking for a club in 2017 please let Kas, Bryce or me know, and the player will be followed up. It doesn't matter what grade they play, MSP has a place for them.

Along with players, the club is always on the lookout for people to help with both the rugby or the club side of things. If you know of somebody who'd like to be involved or you think may be interested, sound them out; they may just be waiting for someone to ask.

Lastly, warm congratulations to all our players who have been selected for representative teams. This is well deserved recognition for your hard work and dedication during the season.

Enjoy the summer, have a safe and happy Christmas and New Year and I look forward to seeing you all on the field, on the sidelines and in the clubrooms in 2017. And a suggestion for a New Year's resolution - MSP has 10 teams so make a point in getting to see each one at least once in 2017. There is some great rugby played in reserve grade, colts and U85. As an extra treat if you go see the pressies play, Henry may invite you to view the action close up by giving you a jersey and getting you on the field. And the players really do appreciate having supporters cheering them on.

Richard Haines

Club Captain

RUGBY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER REPORT

On behalf of the MSP Board, WRFU and NZRU, I would like to thank all the people involved in coaching, managing and assisting the teams that took the field in MSP and St Pat's College colours this season. Your energetic input and giving up your time gave all the players who took the field each weekend the opportunity to do so.

My Rugby Development Officer's role encompasses duties for MSP, SPC, local primary schools and the WRFU. MSP fielded 10 teams in the senior club, including a sole MSP women's team (for the first time in many years), and a second colt's team. The junior club fielded 17 teams in the junior competitions.

It was pleasing to see the club maintaining the high junior playing numbers this year. This is the result of a hard working group of people led by Martin Paget and his committee members. It is great to see the gym's green room and the fields full of aspiring MSP premiers and women players all through the week being taught the basics of the game by some very knowledgeable coaches from U6s through to the U13 combined team.

SPC again fielded 10 teams. Many of the college teams made it through to the semi-finals of their respective competitions, with the highlights being U15A and U55B teams going on to win their division finals.

The MSP 7's program celebrated a very successful season with both men's and women's team winning tournaments throughout their campaign.

The early part of the season was taken up with overseeing the off-season and pre-season programs and facilitating NZRU-directed Rugby Smart, Small Black, Front Row Factory and Tackle Box compulsory coach and player safety programs.

Once the season was underway the focus turned to coach assistance and observation. This involved assisting the coaches at their practices and giving feedback on aspects of their coaching and training preparation across all the grades.

Work in the primary schools consists of preparing teams for WRFU rippa and tackle tournaments, along with running large-ball skill sessions with a rugby flavour. The WRFU component involves preparing primary school teams for WRFU-facilitated rippa and tackle tournaments. A big focus is the WRFU week-long U16 Williment Week.

The off-season time is about player reviews, retention, recruitment, off-season training and 7s programs. Coach reviews, retention and recruitment are also a big focus in preparation for 2017.

Overall it has been a very busy and eventful year. The many club and college successes celebrated in 2017 are the culmination of hours of dedication to the task by a very enthusiastic group of people whom I applaud. Once again, thank you to all the coaches and volunteers that have given up hours, days and weekends to make it possible for this proud club to function.

Special thanks to the out-going premier coaches Brendan Reidy and Ross Bond for all their work with the senior club over their time. Also to Bryce Tietjens for all the work and effort you put in this season which made my role a lot easier. All the best for the future and I look forward to catching up for a beer.

Kas Lealamanua

Rugby Development Officer

HOUSE REPORT

Our desire for 2016 was to have a greater clubrooms' attendance of all teams on a Saturday evening and to foster a sense of belonging and enjoyment for our members at MSP.

It is disappointing that the clubrooms are supported by very few teams. As an ongoing concern the clubrooms operations are in peril if teams' attendance does not increase. I urge players to use the clubrooms on a more regular basis and for the players and members to let the management committee know what can be improved or changed to make our clubrooms a 'go to place' on a Saturday evening.

No long-term hires of the clubrooms transpired this year and revenue was minimal from this source.

An opening night BBQ was held in April that was enjoyed by all attending. In May, our Past Players Day at Evans Bay Park where our teams played Tawa was a huge success. We had the best turnout for years with approximately 150 people in attendance. The Pines did a wonderful job with the catering and thanks go to Chris Ryan, Bennar and Ben for setting up the gym on the day.

Several Junior Nights were had at the clubrooms and our thanks to Martin Paget and his team who ably manage our Juniors. Our Juniors are an extremely important part of MSP and should be commended on their efforts and involvement in the club. They are our future.

Our Shamrock Test Weekend was a great success. The dinner was relocated to the St Pats College Hall where approximately 390 Shamrock members, their guests and club members enjoyed hearing John Eales speak. The evening was catered by the Pines. Our thanks to Brian McGuinness and his Shamrock Committee team for organising a top-class function.

Thank you to Richard Kilkenny for being our door greeter on most Saturday evenings. We appreciate his presence in welcoming both members and guests. Margaret again ran our "Red Café" with tasty wholesome food and we thank her for providing this service.

Our \$100 Raffle Nights were well patronised and are a vital component of our fundraising. Thank you to Andy Bell and Peter Woods for their ongoing organisation of these functions. The senior prizegiving was based around a dinner which was well patronised and a true celebration of the achievements of the various recipients of the annual awards. The Quiz Night was again very enjoyable and our thanks to Mahoney Burrows Horner for their sponsorship of this evening. Jason Pine does a great job as MC and congratulations to the winning team on the night.

JP Tocker resurrected the MSP Ball which was held at The Grand where a 'grand' night was had by all who attended.

To list all the helpers is not possible, however, a special thanks to Karin Graham, MaryAnn Spillane and Geraldine Manua for again running the majority of House matters, to Chris Ryan for all his work in sorting the building maintenance issues that arise during the year, to Bennar, Ben and Melissa for running the bar and to those club members who do attend the clubrooms.

Steve Witkowski

House Manager

THE SHAMROCK CLUB

The 2016 year marked a milestone for the Shamrock Club: the 25th anniversary of its inception in 1992. There were 19 members in that inaugural year and steady growth over the years has resulted in Shamrock Club membership totaling 64 this year, a fantastic achievement in itself.

The Shamrock Club launch was held at the West Plaza Hotel with 100 people in attendance. Brian McGuinness welcomed returning members and introduced this year's new members – Cedric Carter, Duignan Holdings Ltd, Genesis Wellington Property Managers, John Walsh Ltd, Kelly Glass & Mirror Ltd and Working In Workforce.

Brian then outlined the programme for the 25th anniversary, after which JP Tocker 'interviewed' our double World Cup winner, Victor Vito, who told the audience about being part of the All Black environment and his great pride in being a member of Marist St Pats. 'Thank you' to both JP and Victor for giving up your time to address the group. It was an excellent evening and a catalyst of the year ahead.

As in previous years, the highlight of the Shamrock Club is the annual 'Test Weekend' celebrations with the dinner on Friday and pre-Test function and Test match on Saturday. Due to the 25th anniversary, this year's dinner was held at St Patricks College to accommodate the 400 members and guests. The college venue was excellent and the set-up of the school hall was first class.

Andrew Saville was at the dinner to broadcast TVOne's sports news live. The club received great exposure from the broadcast with MSP and Shamrock Club banners shown prominently in the background. Also on hand was the World Cup for guests to see and have their photo taken with.

Appropriately our MC for the evening was Keith Quinn. Keith has been a special friend to MSP and the Shamrock Club as a speaker and MC at many dinners over the years. Again, many thanks Keith and we look forward to seeing you again at our functions.

Brian McGuinness then spoke of the Shamrock Club's history. He outlined the reason for its inception in 1992 and its continued importance for the well-being of our great club. A special presentation was made to those 'originals' who are still members. Of these, two in particular received the biggest applause of the night; Brian Frederikson, who Keith Quinn said was his favourite player growing up, and the remarkable Bill Maher. Bill, we believe, is MSP's longest-serving financial member having been a member for nearly 70 years. It was great to have both Brian and Bill present at the dinner.

The evening's highlight was the address by legendary Australian World Cup-winning captain, John Eales. John gave an engaging speech for about 45 minutes, recounting his days of involvement with the Marist Brothers in his early rugby years, to the ultimate glory of World Cup success and the journey along the way. It was an excellent speech by a truly professional yet very humble man.

And yes, he did mention that penalty kick at the Stadium back in 2000!

John was acknowledged with a standing ovation at the conclusion of his speech. We thank you John, and any time you wish you will be warmly welcomed at Marist St Pats. By general consensus, this was the best dinner the Shamrock Club has held. A fitting way to celebrate the first 25 years.

Next day, activities shifted to the West Plaza Hotel for the traditional pre-Test function. This again was very well patronised with 180 people in attendance. A buffet meal and refreshments were enjoyed before buses took everyone to the Stadium where we watched another emphatic display by the All Blacks with a comprehensive victory over Australia to retain the Bledisloe Cup. A great outcome to capitalise on what was a magnificent weekend.

A big thank you to the Shamrock Club committee and volunteers for all their work n putting the various events together. Without this contribution none of this would happen and the club would be much the poorer for it in every aspect.

And to Tony O'Brien and the magnificent staff from The Pines - a huge 'thank you' for all your efforts during the course of the year. The meal and presentation at this year's dinner was superb and added to the success of the weekend. Thanks to you all.

To Shamrock members young and old, 'thank you' for your support this year and in previous years and, just as importantly, for your continued support in the years to come. The Shamrock committee is already planning for the 2017 season as we start on the road to the next 25 years. With the Lions tour it should be another year to remember.

We always welcome new members, so if you or anyone you know is interested in joining, please let us know so we can welcome them into the club.

To all MSP club members – please support our Shamrock Club companies by using their services when the opportunity arises, as you will be supporting MSP at the same time. The 2016 members are listed below.

SHAMROCK CLUB COMMITTEE

Alan Woods Tony O'Brien Peter Woods Steve Witkowski **Brian McGuinness** Paul Stephen Luke Meredith Bob Metcalf

SHAMROCK CLUB MEMBERS

Abode Homes Ltd MQ's Panel & Paint

Bob Metcalf – Lawyer Multi Civil

Brandons - John O'Regan Natoli Communications Ltd Burrowes & Company P Quinn & Associates Capital Construction Ltd Pacific Radiology

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EJT Flynn Ltd **EN Ramsbottom Ltd** Expert Development Ltd Richard Renouf

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George St Engineering Ltd Seaview Service Station Ltd Graham Plumbing & Drainage Ltd Service Resources Ltd

Groundworks Silvester Clark Ltd Gazley Nissan - Murray Tocker Simply Security Ltd

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Kitchen Studio Wedgelock Equipment Ltd Wellington Trawling Co (2008) Ltd LT McGuinness Ltd

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OBITUARIES

Marist St Pats extends its condolences to club members and their families whilst remembering those who died during 2016:

Terry Arbuckle Judith Blair Tom Blewman Patricia Fitzgerald Bill Collins Peter Dunn Eddie Flaherty Catherine Garvie Elizabeth Gamble Zilla Gini Joe Hansby June Hollander Dennis Hutchison Brian Jackson Mark Janis Raffaele Mollo (Nelson) Steven Loibl Rob Neru Rose O'Leary Leonie Robbers Chris Tye

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS 2016

Hurricanes

Jeff Toomaga-Allen Victor Vito

Wellington Lions

Valentine Meachen Vince Sakaria Isaac O'Connor

Wellington Development

Nemani Waaka Joe Walding-Karaitiana

Wellington Samoan Mens

Jacob Taituave
Tovio Apolo
Matt Peni
Ken Kapeli
Fa'atonu Fili
Ryan Setefano
Isaia Petelo

Wellington Samoan Womens

Emele-Moa Makisi-Dunlop Petrina Foaese

Wellington Under 19

Ivan Fepuleai Nese Solia Kerrod Foaese Willie Schutz Regan Sword

Wellington Pride Development

Georgia Broughton Tina Vaaua-Hamlin Uma Pule Stacie Tutki-Harper

Wellington Girls U18

Jane Bryce Taimane Siaosi

Wellington Centurions Under 85

Michael Findlay
Jordan Wilson
Jordie Walsh
Philip Leaupepe-Nickel
Alistair McDermott

New Zealand Marist

Valentine Meachen

New Zealand Marist Colts

John Tenari

REPRESENTATIVE COACHES AND MANAGERS 2016

Wellington Under 19

Mike Berry: team manager

Wellington Samoans

Kas Lealamanua: assistant coach

Wellington Centurions Under 85

Andrew Robinson: coach
Nic Fitisemanu: assistant coach

Wellington Samoan Schoolboys

Jamie Parkinson: assistant coach

TROPHIES AND AWARDS 2016

Sportsman of the Year (Paul Donoghue Trophy) Valentine Meachen

Outstanding Club Member Paul Churchman

(W.M.O'Connor Memorial Cup)

Mick Horan Memorial Trophy Pago Haini

Most Meritorious Senior 1 Player Jake Goodger

(John L.Gordon Memorial Trophy)

Team of the Year Premier Reserves

(Fr Geoff Broad Memorial Trophy)

Outstanding Administrator (Brother Fabian Cup) Michael and Patrick Holden

Dave Woods

Outstanding Contribution by Non-Office

Bearing Club Member (John Rennie Memorial Cup)

Pacific Trophy (Ah Kuoi Family Cup) Tovio Apolo

Special Merit Award Arden David

Team Scoring Most Championship Points Premiers

(William Te Oka Shield)

Most Meritorious Snr 2/3 Club Member Dane McRae

(Pat Aylett Memorial Cup)

Most Outstanding Snr 2/3 Club Player Michiel Bliek

(Alan McLean Memorial Cup)

Most Outstanding Age-Grade Player Ivan Fepuleai

(Reg Parkin Memorial Cup)

Most Meritorious Under-21 Player Willie Schutz

(O'Callaghan Family Cup)

Most Outstanding Under-85 Player Jarred Burns

(P.D. Jacobsen Cup)

Player Scoring Most Tries (Monsignor Heavey Cup)

Jane Bryce

Player Kicking Most Points Fa'atonu Fili

(St Pats College Old Boys Cup)

Most Consistent Tackler (A.C. O'Connor Cup)

Joe Quirke

Most Consistent Trainer (Jack McLellan Cup) Willie Sauea

TEAM AWARDS FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION 2016

Premier Isaac O'Connor

Premier Reserve Tovio Apolo

Senior 2 Dane McRae

Premier Women Taimane Siaosi

Under-85 Red Josh Livera

Under-85 Green Rob Casey

Colts A Regan Gubb

Colts B Patrick Aukustino

Reserves Peni Paletua

Presidents Jeremy Sullivan

Sevens Men Ken Kapeli

Sevens Women Tina Va'aua-Hamlin

Marist St Pats Premiers 2016

Winners: Spillane Cup, Andy Leslie Trophy, Bill Brien Challenge Cup, Father Cleary Shield, Bill Elvy Memorial Trophy, Joe Aspell Cup, Horan Millar Trophy.



Back Row: Ben Fehoko, Pago Haini

Asa Sanerivi, Tovio Apolo, Ivan Fepuleai, Lawrence Lotovale, Ryan Saunders 2nd Row:

James McHardy (Technical advisor), Matt Pene, Jake Goodger, Elijah Williams-Stewart, Paul Churchman, Joe Walding-Karaitiana, 3rd Row:

Richard Haines (Club Captain), John Wootton (Club President)

4th Row: Emma Clabburn (Physio), Michael Sood (Manager), Willie Schutz, Regan Sword, Ken Kapeli, Michael Buckley, Ferg Grenfell, Steve Moli,

Kerrod Foaese, Mike Berry (Manager), Kaden Bond (Trunner)
Front Row: Ross Bond (Coach), Vince Sakaraia, Nick Harrision, Fa'atonu Fili, Isaac O'Connor (Capt), Valentine Meachen, Isaia Petelo, Ryan Setefano,

Peter Sciascia, Brendan Reidy (Coach)

Lote Raikabula, Jacob Taituave, Nemani Waaka, Gabe Papuni, Frank Fa'atau, Josh To'omaga, Frankie Bryant, Tyler Tane, Absent:

David Hamilton Photography

PREMIER TEAM REPORT

Coaches Brendan Reidy, Ross Bond, James McHardy Management Mike Berry, Michael Sood, Stephen Jensen

Physio Emma Clabburn

The squad of 2016 will look back to a gloomy day in August and reflect on a ten-minute period where Tawa stole the Jubilee Cup from under our noses. Making back-to-back finals is a great achievement. However, being top qualifier and the clinical demolition of Ories in the semi makes this a bitter loss to swallow.

The team started shakily and the early round hiding by Ories provided the catalyst to jump start the season. The team regrouped and three days later handed out a 60-point hiding to Norths at Porirua Park. What followed was eight straight wins at home, 4th place in the Swindale Shield, top qualifiers in the Jubilee Cup round and a home semi-final. The team held onto the Bill Brien Trophy (played for only at home) for seven games and also won the Andy Leslie Trophy as top Jubilee Cup round qualifiers. Fifteen wins out of 22 in a long season is an achievement to be proud of.

The season started promisingly in March when a squad attended the Spillane Trophy in Hamilton. MSP easily accounted for HOBM in the final winning the Spillane for the first time since 2009.

The team was again captained by Isaac O'Connor who led from the front from week one. Sportsman of the Year Valentine Meachen was another who had an outstanding season. Welcome additions to this year's squad were a raft of young players, some only first or second year out of college. Kerrod Foaese, Ryan Saunders, Joe Walding-Karaitiana, Ivan Fepuleai, Michael Findlay, Reagan Sword, Lawrence Lotovale, Ferg Greenfell and Willie Schutz all adapted extremely well to the demands or premier rugby, and this bodes well for the future.

As always though, the team is built around a core group of players who soldier on week in, week out. Players upfront like Vince Sakaria, Nemani Waaka, Nick Harrison, Josh Toomaga, Gabe Papuni, Pago Haini, Jake Goodger, Matt Peni, Frank Faatau, James Zino and new club additions Steve Moli and Elijah Williams-Stewart formed the basis of a forward pack most clubs envy.

The early loss pre-season to injury of Ken Kapeli led to the recall of the experienced Peter Sciascia. For Pete to come back and re-commit after such a serious injury in 2015 can only be commended. But then to re-break the same ankle with 10 minutes to go in the semi-final against Ories was devastating for all concerned and robbed us of huge finals' experience - we wish Pete a speedy recovery. Fa'atonu Fili was again the team's talisman at 10, contributing 163 points with the boot and in general direction and play. Outside backs Isaiah Petelo, Ryan Setefano, Mike Buckley, Frankie Bryant, Lote Raikabula, Ben Fehoko and Tyler Tane formed a potent attacking unit, complementing the forwards well.

While they only made brief appearances it was great to have Hurricanes Loni Uhila, Jeffrey Toomaga-Allen and Victor Vito back in red this season. The team wishes Jeff a speedy recovery from injury and Victor all the best in his new adventure in France.

This season, several players again reached milestones. Fa'atonu Fili passed 200 premier games, Ryan Setefano 100 while Isaiah Petelo, Isaac O'Connor and Valentine Meachen all sit in the 90s. Josh Toomaga, Jacob Taituave and Vince Sakaria all passed 50 games.

Off the field the team again set the bench mark with their dress standard, regular clubrooms attendance and their demeanour in opposition clubrooms. Any squad is only as good as the

support and depth it receives so to this end a big 'thank you' to the premier reserves and congratulations on winning the first round.

My thanks to Soody and Porky for the hours they put in behind the scenes, and to Emma for making sure the coaches had players to choose from! This year the coaching two became a three with the addition of James McHardy; this is often a thankless task, I'm sure everyone appreciates the effort involved. As in previous years a big thank you to the Holden Boys for their outstanding media work, leaders in their field. The team and management also acknowledge the support of our loyal supporters. A special thanks to former captain Arden David whose specialist work with the front row formed this unit into one of the best performing in the competition. Thanks also to the Bond children (Kaden and Rhiannon) who again ran the kicking tee and water throughout the season.

Congratulations to all the players who have made various representative teams this year. Finally, thanks to Kas, Bryce, Richard, John Wootton and the club executive for all your work and support. Enjoy the summer, third time lucky?

Mike Berry

Manager

PREMIER RESERVE

The MSP Premier Reserves had a successful season, winning the first-round Harper Lock Shield by 11 competition points after losing only one of 13 games (that sole loss to Petone coming from a penalty on full time), culminating in the team winning the Fr Geoff Broad Memorial Trophy for MSP Team of the Year.

In that first round the team averaged over 44 points a game while conceding just under 15 for an average winning margin of almost 30 points a game.

The team had a great culture while the players' fitness and skill saw it finish strongly in many games. Playing in the premier Hardham Cup was a great experience for the team, though a number of injuries in the second round for us and the prems really tested our depth in fielding teams in two premier competitions. A draw with Johnsonville premiers was disappointing after they scored in extra time, but one season highlight was a 15-12 win over Avalon premiers at Fraser Park in a gutsy performance which showed the team's potential.

The team was well led at number 8 by captain Paul Churchman (who also won the W M O'Connor Memorial Cup for outstanding club member, which included his role as club treasurer). Player of the year was lock Tovio Apolo, a strong influence in the team who played to a consistently high level. He also won the Ah Kuoi Family Cup for the club's top Pacific Island player (and great to see him play for the Wellington Samoan team).

Forward Jake Goodger was the team's top try scorer with 11 in 13 games (including four in an 88-0 win over Johnsonville prem reserves). He got better as the season wore on and deservedly won the John L Gordon Memorial Trophy for Most Meritorious Senior 1 Player. Midfielder Marci Patafilo scored seven tries in seven games in an injury interrupted season, while prop James Holbrook also scored seven tries (while appearing in a team high 19 games which was equalled by first five Jordan Walsh). The team's top points' scorer was second-five Lawrence Lotovale with 98. His strong play was missed in the second round when he was called up to prems. Jake Goodger also won the team's 3-2-1 player of the day points' total for the year with 15 followed by lock James Zino (10) and Michael Findlay (9).

While the side used 68 players in 20 games, which is a huge amount, a core group of 30 guys all made a massive contribution to the team's success. Congratulations to hooker Joe Walding-Karaitiana on making the Wellington Development (B) side.

Big thanks to coaches Jamie Parkinson, Nic Fitisemanu and manager Dave Woods (winner of the John Rennie Memorial Cup for Outstanding Contribution by Non-Office Bearing Club member) who all did a huge amount, and Aaron Titter and Rory McNicholas for their help on game days, plus the team physios Pat Matthews and Jack Rouse who did an excellent job looking after the boys.

Andrew Robinson

Coach

FIRST GRADE AVELE TEAM

On behalf of the Avele boys it's great to be back in Red this year. Most years MSP normally field two teams for this division. A discussion with Bryce Tietjens and members of Avele association to field one team proved to be the right decision.

The 2016 season kicked off with a very close encounter with our old rival Petone. We had 19 players turn up on the day and a close scoreline which was very encouraging for the season ahead. Thanks to the core group of players who turned up to training on Tuesdays and Thursdays - that gives us a chance to put some structures and game plan in place as we prepared for game day.

The most challenging aspect is the fact that players would turn up to trainings but not on game day without notifying us. There were some players from prem 1 that never turned up for us as they were supposed to. Those who did provided us with leadership which gave direction for the team. It also provided excitement and a good learning experience for players and management alike.

We were very competitive as a team throughout the season and narrowly missed out on the finals. The coaches and team should be proud of their effort this year and strive for better next year.

The very low point of the season was red and yellow cards. It's something I don't want to mention but emphasise the importance of learning from it going forward as MSP and Avele. Season highlights and special thanks to:

- our international players and the Apple Crew Mikel Bliek, Vive Blank, Juan, Axle, loane Siatulau and Brendon Miller. These guys gave us and we gave them the experience of what rugby is all about.
- the Colts and Internationals who willingly played for us after their games to make up the numbers. Blood brothers right there.
- to Ken, Poto, Sione and Bryce, to name a few, for their support with words of wisdom throughout the season.

A very special acknowledgement to our wives and our families for their support, patience and love enabling us to do what we do. God Bless.

Coaches Galu Fatialofa, Malaga Leota Managers Alii Tapuai, Uiti Pelenato

Adviser Tunumafono Ken Ah Kuoi, Poto Masina

PREMIER WOMEN

What a great outcome for their first year back as a team. The women's team managed to secure a place in the final for division 2. The semi-final saw our ladies and their neighbours Poneke battle it out on the field. Poneke who were up 20-0 within the first 20 minutes were not giving up without a fight, but our ladies made a late comeback to win the semi-final. In an all-Marist final for division 2, HOBM, a more experienced team, won on their home ground so we ended our season as runner ups.

The team consists of college and tertiary students, mothers and fulltime workers. Injuries took their toll throughout the season and it was a struggle to field 22 players every week. The season started well with a total of around 35 registered players but week after week the numbers at training dropped and the injuries grew.

Our first two games were outstanding from our ladies, but from games 3-7 they were up against teams with far more experience. They did not give up and played to the final whistle-losing to top teams Norths, Wainui, OBU, Avalon and one default to Ories. The team put themselves on the scoreboard in every game except against Wainui who won 66-0. Ryan Setefano took on the responsibility of coaching the team with the help of Kas and other prem players who were around during training. It was a lot for Ryan to take on for his first year coaching a 15's side. Well done to him for seeing it through till the end.

It was an exciting season for our debut players, seeing them run out onto the field for the first time and tries being scored. A great achievement for them all. We saw some ladies return to the field after 6-8 years; these would be our mothers, so much strength in these ladies.

Tina Vaaua-Hamlin and Georgia Broughton, MSP players since primary school, had outstanding seasons. However the team had to farewell their 1st five and captain Tina at the start of the second round. She left to play rugby in Japan for five weeks which was a huge loss to the team. Georgia led the team till the end of the season.

A young backline featured up and coming players Uma Pule, April Va'auli, Taimane Siaosi and Jane Bryce, and young forwards breaking through included Ana Manu, Luseane Meafo'ou and Khanya Schek. We look forward to see what they have next year. The season brought out strong leaders in the team on and off the field - Lyla To'omaga, Shana Va'aua, Emelemo Makisi and Michelle Smyth who we will be looking at for next year.

The women's team had four Wellington Pride Development players: Tina Vaaua-Hamlin, Georgia Broughton, Uma Pule and Stacie Tutaki-Harper, plus four Wellington U18s: Taimane Siaosi, Jane Bryce, Cheyne Copeland and Cathy Alofaifo.

I would like to acknowledge Kas and Bryce for having faith in the team and always uplifting the players, encouraging them to be involved in everything that the club has on. Thank you to our water girls and families who came out every Friday and Saturday to support. Overall an awesome first season and outcome for MSP Women's Team.

Agnes Vaaua Manager

UNDER 85 COUGAR GREENS

The 2016 season was a mixed one for the Cougar Greens, and followed somewhat the story of our typical seasons. When the squad re-assembled in late March, playing numbers looked thin and this was to be a feature of the entire season. A major loss from last year's

management team was Willy Donnelly, and the team didn't quite manage to replace his leadership.

On the field, we started the season terribly undercooked and went down to the MSP Reds with the scoreline looking very good from their perspective. The team regrouped, and started getting good numbers to training. A number of narrow losses punctuated by good wins against the weaker teams in Div 2 saw us comfortably mid-table at the conclusion of round 1.

The lack of squad depth really started to show in round 2, with most Saturday mornings spent making urgent calls for ring-ins. A number of times we were in danger of defaulting. Unfortunately, without major recruitment success, this is likely to also be a theme in 2017.

The Cougars showed their grit and skill in the backline in arguably the game of the round, against the MSP Reds at Prince of Wales. Facing a formidable pack that put three tries on the board in the first half, the lads hung in there and scored from some beautiful backline moves to tie the game with 10 mins left. An unfortunate turnover in our own 22 saw the Reds shade a fantastic, hard and clean game.

The business end of the season was overshadowed with the withdrawal of a number of teams from the division. This saw the Cougars go a full month with no competitive action, and this showed in the final few games. A number of narrow losses saw us miss out on the semi-finals, but I am very proud of how the few players we had left stuck to the task right until the end.

It was with great satisfaction that I witnessed the performances of (our double-winning Players' Player) Jordan Walsh in the premier reserve side this year. It is fantastic to see that under-85 players can make the step up and thrive in open weight.

I would like to express my congratulations to Angus Stallman for winning the Cougars Team Man of the year, and to Rob Casey for winning Team MVP and best rookie. Rob also top-scored with 13 tries. Many thanks to Roy Montgomery for taking the head coach role - the team wishes him all the best on his new life in Australia. Mostly, however, I would like to thank another veteran of the team, Dan Smith. 'The Wolfman' took on the captaincy, led most trainings and was an absolute rock throughout the season.

Many thanks to Bryce Tietjens, who couldn't do enough to help the team out all year long, Richard Kilkenny for his unwavering support and Kas Lealamanua for all the help he has provided me.

Enda Costello

Manager

UNDER 85 REDS

2016 was a rebuilding year for the mighty Reds with only a handful of players returning from the previous year and a change at the helm with Tim McBride taking up the head coaching role for the first time after Matty "Washed Up" Collett stepped down after a couple of years in charge. With the high rugby IQ and passion of Jarred Burns as assistant coach, the two would embark on a journey to resurrect the Reds to their glory days.

After a tough 2015 in division 1, the Reds were starting from div 2 which would help the new coaches develop and embed strategies of a new attacking style of rugby that would move away from a forward orientated game and work with our key strengths – speed and skill.

The pre-season started out with gusto and good numbers, but a sign of things to come was players falling to injury. The first round was a struggle with a lack of continuity in play, making

it difficult to string phases together. This was not helped by the coaches disappearing for four games and on their return, discovering a team plagued with injuries and struggling for numbers. Finishing off the round with two strong wins over Wellington B and OBU meant the boys were ready to take on round 2 and compete for the title they knew they could take. A 5-5 record wasn't anything to be ashamed of but we knew we could do much better.

The Reds came in hot and took the momentum of the two previous victories into the second round by winning their first five games, putting them in prime position to take the top spot and claim home territory for the business end of the season. Unfortunately, two tough losses to HOBM and Stokes Valley who had come down from div 1 meant the Reds qualified fourth for the semi-finals and had to take on Wests.

Playing at The Cage with a northerly screaming down the moist pitch meant the Reds needed to take advantage of the breeze at their backs in the first half. It should have been a 14-point advantage but the Reds were only able to gain 12 with tries to Sam Olorenshaw and Malcolm "Mamba" Mushingadze. The Reds couldn't have been closer to a spot in the final but accurate goal-kicking from Wests and some Reds' playoff inexperience meant they went down 12-13 to the eventual div 2 champions.

It was a tough year but a good year, setting a strong foundation for next season where we hope to retain a good core group of players and partners, improve our new style of game play, have fun and a beer or two. With a year's coaching under the belt and the experience of knockout rugby, look for the Reds to continue the march back to the top of U85 rugby in 2017.

A massive thanks to Josh Livera for taking on the captaincy and excelling in the role, leading by example up in the front row. I don't think a man in the team wouldn't run through a brick wall for that titan! That is why he was named Reds MVP for 2016. To Jarred Burns, for all the help in the months leading up to and through the season trying to get the team ready for action and being able to fill in any position from one through to 15 at any point in a game. These two aspects, along with a consistently high level of performance, meant he was an undeniable choice for 80/80s Player of the Year. To Reuben Ouwerkerk, for stepping up when the coaches went off gallivanting around Southeast Asia, taking control of the team and doing a stellar job! Finally, Jordan "Gentleman" Wilson. A member of the Reds for what seems an eternity, always making an impact with whatever he does. You will be sorely missed on the field as you move into retirement but I hope we can make use of your knowledge and skill in the future! Thank you for all you have done for the Reds and we will miss you!

To the boys, thanks for the great season and I hope to see you back next year for more meat pies, victories and good times!

Tim McBride Coach

UNDER 21 COLTS

2016 produced another big squad following 2015, with a good mix of returning colts and school leavers. A key milestone was being able to successfully field two teams, albeit with a number of challenges in attempting to do so every week. A total of 54 players turned out for the two colts teams, some only appearing once or twice, constrained by work and study commitments, a few due to season ending injuries.

The Spillane Cup weekend of 5-6 March hosted by Hamilton Marist enabled us to take a small group of 19 players with an injection of three colts-aged players from the premier squad. While the end result from a rugby perspective was a win and a loss, it was a wonderful way for the

colts players to come together, with the premier team combining both squads for a socially cultural and responsible Saturday evening – a wonderful occasion really and the beginning of a close relationship between the premier and colts teams that continued throughout the season.

The season proper started with a win for the Blue team in the A division on 9 April, defeating Upper Hutt 32-15. The Red team, playing in the B division, narrowly lost to the OBU Black team 17-21 on Friday 8 April.

The Blue team, with the captaincy shared throughout the season between Jayden McCarthy, Foliga Vaalepu-Austin, Nese Solia and Henry Mexted, won seven out of nine first-round games and finished third overall. In the second round, the Blues again won seven out of nine second-round games before losing to Tawa 8-11 in the semi-finals.

The Red team, captained mainly by Viane Leo, won two of their nine games with a few defaults due to a combination of injuries and unavailability through work or illness. A large number of games were played on Friday evenings and, as a consequence, there were a number of players such as Patrick Augustino, Matt Tapu, Junior Fanatanu, Dylan Lynch and Pati Feleti backing up on the Saturday, effectively playing 1.5 or even two games over the weekend - a big thank you to these players. The Red team finished off the season in style with an emphatic 38-5 win against OBU Black, a team they lost to in their first game of the season.

To sum up our players briefly, we are fortunate to have depth and breadth of quality players, many of whom can progress to higher honours at both club and representative level. For this to continue to happen, we need to ensure an off-season programme captures as many players as possible, recruitment starts now, particularly with school leavers being identified and targeted, and retention continues as a matter of good club practice.

With the success of fielding two teams comes the challenge of gearing up in every sense. A big thank you to Edwin Meachen, Ciaran O'Brien and Pio Savali (when available) for their leadership and hard work throughout the season. These coaches contributed much and also assisted with the Red team to ensure continuity and support for our new coaches, John Murfitt and Hoani Siueva – a big thanks to John and Hoani for stepping up. Last but not least, the contribution of Joshua Dunn as co-manager of the Blue team along with Pat Dunn. As we all know, teams do not function effectively without the efforts of our hard working managers.

May 2017 bring with it continued growth from this year and a greater depth of management to support the development of our future players.

RESERVE INTERNATIONALS

The season's opening game was a good indicator as to how the first half of the season was to play out. We went to Stokes Valley for the first time in Internationals' history, and started the game with 15 players (no reserves). One was Tolo, a Stokes Valley supporter recruited from the SV supporters – he ended up being a fulltime member of the squad. We had players out of position and ended the second half with 14 men due to a season-ending injury to one of our veterans, Sua. In the end we lost the game to a last-minute penalty.

This really did set the scene with regular injuries and a few players departing off shore. We had to change our main goal from winning the first round to surviving it, when we had players coming back and would have the depth to make a tilt at the play-offs. We ended up scraping through to the second round and staying in the top division.

The first round was not a loss, however, as once again we got to see amazing leadership from our senior players, none more so that our inspirational captain Pena Fretton who would, and does, do anything for the team. On top of that we got some stand-out recruits such as Pene (2016 MVP), Tolo and the South American duo, Roberto and Bryan.

In the second round we were still finding it tough to make up numbers, needing ring-ins from friends and favours from other teams (thanks Colts). The team's heart and determination (whoever took the field) was epitomised in an away game against Upper Hutt. We turned up with 15 players (again) but, with guys out of position, took the field ready to give it everything on an unforgiving turf. Within 10 minutes we had lost a player to injury and then just into the second half we had another game-ending injury. So we played 35 minutes with 13 players against a full team with a full bench and the game was all tied up. We tackled like demons and gave it everything but lost to a try with three minutes remaining. This showed what the players in our team were made of... all we needed was a full team with a couple of subs week-in and week-out and we could be challengers.

And that is what happened - we got some retirees who came back to help us out and some injuries healed to give us the numbers. We went on a little run and qualified 4th to book a semifinal against Poneke at Poneke. It was a torrid affair played in horrible wet and windy conditions with neither team willing to give an inch. At half time the scores were tied up at 10–10; at fulltime it was 27-27. So into extra time where the scores could not be separated. The final whistle blew with the scores still locked at 27-27. Due to the final standings in the table, Poneke were to go through, to win the final against Johnsonville. It was heart breaking but with time and the ability to reflect I think it is fair to say that making the semi-final and drawing with the eventual champions showed the team's character and how far we had come.

In short, we fought harder this season than any previously. Although there were some dark times where we questioned if it was worth turning up every week short on players, it was one of the most fulfilling seasons because of the adversity we faced. Every player who took the field, whether a full squad member, a ring-in or an ex-player coming back to help out, should be proud of what we achieved. Next year is our 10-year anniversary and we need to use the momentum from 2016 to spring board us back to the top of the heap where we belong.

Special mention to a few team members: first and foremost, our captain, Pena Fretton, who gives everything and pulls the team along behind with his strength and belief in the team. Our player coach, Aaron Bouzaid, who gave us the game plans and training to get to the semifinals under very trying conditions. Without his direction we would have found it hard to get past the first round. Lastly but certainly not least, a very special mention to Lawrence Apolo who is the quintessential team man and amazing athlete to top it off. Lawrence is the guy who will play in any position – front row, loose forward or in the backs. He doesn't fill in these positions though, he excels and does the jersey and team proud every time he takes the field. Further, he also has a well of players who he brings along when we are short to give us the numbers we need.

Long live the mighty and irrepressible MSP INTERNATIONALS!!!!

Cameron Bath

PRESIDENTS MBH LAW CLASSICS

The class of 2016 started the season off well but early injuries and getting players to away games cost us a couple of losses to Avalon and Hutt Old Boys Marist. With just one further loss to Tawa, we finished in the top 4 again. Our team Player of the Year was Jeremy Sullivan,

who at lock played the best rugby of his life so far. He showed the true team spirit, playing in every game the season.

All in all, the class of 2016 were a great bunch of mates, who enjoyed each other's company on and off the field. Long may that continue into the class of 2017. The lads would like to thank all the playing and non-playing members of the club for their support during the season, the team's own loyal band of supporters, and the long suffering wives, girlfriends and kids who had to put up with all the excuses, aches and pains that a rugby season delivers each year. A big thank you to our new sponsors Mahoney Burrowes Horner lawyers, and we look forward to their sponsorship next year.

The president's side wish you all a very Merry Christmas, a happy New Year, and a safe and happy summer. We look forward to seeing you all again at our annual Christmas BBQ party on 26 November from 4.30pm at the MSP clubrooms.

Henry Fidow

Presidents' player/coach and legend

JUNIOR RUGBY REPORT

The 2016 season kicked off with our Junior Rugby Carnival providing our returning and prospective junior players and families with a fun-filled session of bouncy castles, rugby skills sessions, photos with the Bledisloe Cup, as well as registration and jersey collection. The social highlights of the season were the successful Junior Club Nights held in May and July and the end-of-season prize-giving with fantastic turnouts and a great family atmosphere. Some additional events are being discussed for 2017 to expand the social and family-oriented aspects of our club.

This year 263 players were registered to participate in junior rugby at MSP with a Nursery grade and 16 teams formed in the U6 - U13 grades. This was made up of 4 x U6, 3 x U7, 3 x U8, 1 x U9, 2 x U10, 1 x U11, 1 x U12 and 1 x U13.

Our Nursery grade continued to flourish, led by the Nursery Grade team providing a fun-based first rugby experience for many two to four year olds. Every Saturday at 8am the nursery grade met, supported by many parents and past players. Thank you to Chapman Vili for leading this grade and for the terrific support of St Pats College students (and ex-MSP Junior players) Thomas Paget and Finn Meredith for volunteering to support this programme and providing a fun and friendly introduction to rugby for our future players.

At the other end of the spectrum our Under 13 team again combined with Oriental Rongotai to form a single 'Eastern Barbarians' team reflecting terrific co-operation between the clubs to ensure our players have the opportunity to play. They referred to themselves as the 'MOBS' – Marist Ories Brothers. Thank you to Ories for coaching and managing the team this year.

Our interclub tournaments were almost non-eventful. We retained the John Schaumkell Shield (Poneke) and the McGuinness Cup (Hutt Old Boys Marist) due to the tournaments being cancelled with poor weather, and we lost our tournament against Petone. Mick Joyce coordinated the events this year and we thank him for his efforts.

This year was a very successful year for MSP in the selection of 10 junior players being selected in the Wellington City Zone representative programme in U12-U13 grades, three players going on further to be selected in the Wellington U65kg Tournament team and one player being selected for the Wellington U13 Provincial team. Congratulations to all players selected for these representative teams - the Club is very proud of your efforts.

A new initiative for MSP Juniors is the attendance of our U11 grade to the Taupo Junior Rugby tournament from 9-11th September. This was an amazing experience for the players and families and we will continue to attend this tournament for the U11 and U12 grades for the foreseeable future. It provides something to look forward to as our players get to our older Junior grades and the planning, fundraising activity and the event itself really pulled the team and families together.

Support continued through a number of our longstanding sponsors – T&T Landfills, PAK 'n SAVE Eastern Suburbs Sports Trust, George Street Engineering, Price & Strawbridge Builders and Quinovic Vivian Street – as well as new sponsor Wholly Bagels. The assistance the junior club receives allows us to develop our young players and ensure that rugby is as accessible to all. Their support is greatly appreciated.

To all coaches and managers of our MSP teams this year, including the nursery grade coaches - thank you for all your great work throughout the season. Our Club has a number of great people (parents, caregivers and extended whanau) all providing their support to ensure all our junior players have an enjoyable rugby experience. The support you give is greatly appreciated and the club and players thank you.

We were very fortunate to have a group of talented people involved in our junior rugby committee - prepared to volunteer considerable time in co-ordinating and administering our junior rugby this season. Next year we are looking to reintroduce the Junior grade nights at the clubrooms and further develop our 'family club' culture. We are always open to new ideas!

Thank you to the Senior club's management committee and their ongoing support of the Juniors. The quality resources - clubrooms, training facilities, gear and rugby development resources are all top class.

Enjoy your summer and time with your whanau until we see you again back at MSP for preseason in 2017.

Martin Paget

MSP Junior Convenor

JUNIOR COACHES AND MANAGERS 2016

U12 Leopards Coach Coach Manager	Tony Natoli John Pothan Gemma Natoli	U10 Leopards Coach Manager	Tony Philp Cary Philp
· ·		U9 Lions	
U11		Coach	Dan Coup
Coach	Mick Joyce	Asst coach	Peter Bennett
Coach	Martin Paget	Manager	Cilla Bennett
Manager	Cilla Bennett	Manager	Tina McCarron
Asst coach	Jason Hunt	· ·	
Asst coach	David McGuinness	U8 Cougars	
Asst coach	Glenn Reynolds	Coach	Aaron Titter
	·	Manager	James Diamantis
U10 Tigers		· ·	
Coach	John Williams	U8 Lions	
Asst coach	Scott Necklen	Coach	Tara Kerr
Manager	Emma Williams	Coach	Dean Proudfoot
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U8 Tigers
Co-coach
Co-coach
Matt Smith
Manager
Melissa Kooiman

U6 Cougars
Coach
Coach
Manager
Manager
Melissa Kooiman

U6 Cougars
Coach
Manager
Manager
Raewyn Gee

U6 Lions
Co-coach
Tom Dunn

U7 Lions Co-coach Co-coach Craig Wall Coach Nick Focas Co-coach Con Kilner Manager Pana Focas

U7 TigersU6 LeopardsCoachMoana Solia-MatafeoCo-coachShaun ConnellyCoachAntonio MatafeoCo-coachPatrick Blackburn

U7 Cougars
Coach Nate Shaw Nursery 'Little Rippas'
Manager Cathryn CurranTietjens Coach Chapman KoopmanVili

U6 TigersAsst coachThomas PagetCoachGunther TutuilaAsst coachFinn Meredith











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Michael Lealamanua

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