



**Sydney Women's
Rugby Union Incorporated**



**Annual Report
2012**

SYDNEY WOMEN'S RUGBY UNION INC.

Annual General Meeting of the Sydney Women's Rugby Union Inc.
Held Wednesday 13 February 2013 at the Union Office at 6pm

Agenda

- 1.0 Present/Apologies
- 2.0 Confirmation of Minutes of the AGM held 8 February 2012
- 3.0 Chairman's Report
- 4.0 Receive annual report (including finances)
- 5.0 Elections
- 6.0 General Business

Cover photos:

(1) Lisa Langpo after scoring the winning try against British Army May 20th 2012

(2) Rebecca Croon y British Army May 20th 2012

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2012 was a year of SWRU consolidation with a couple of firsts being the Tri – State Cup for 15s in lieu of the National for all States held over the June long weekend between Sydney, NSW Country, and ACT with Brisbane being forced to withdraw due to funding. These competitions are essential for 15s development and as a guide to the next National coach whom we hope will be appointed in 2012 to prepare for the 2014 WRC in France from early 2013.

The formation of NSW WRU under the leadership of Kerry Chikarovski and with the full support of the NSWRU has opened up many opportunities for necessary sponsorship and Government support to increase junior participation for both genders. Such state development will in time flow onto senior clubs and stronger representative teams for both 15s and 7s, although improved communications are necessary between the ARU's HPU and stake holders if both form of 15s and 7s rugby are to prosper.

The inaugural 7s Nationals was successfully conducted in Sydney by the ARU to identify potential elite 7s players, with the playing standard likely to improve further in following years. 7s is an essential fitness aid through the summer months however two competition divisions are preferred to cater for the majority of Women rugby players who are robust 15s developed players and with hopefully realistic competition entry fees when there is a tournament almost every weekend somewhere during the summer months.

The 15s playing number in Sydney appeared slightly higher in 2012 even with the absence of many elite 7s players who appear exempt from playing essential Club 15s and the skills and passion that flows from Club rugby. With just a six team competition Sydney rugby will struggle to elevate itself without a parallel Junior competition and hopefully 2013 will see the development in Schools and Junior clubs. This development will require significant resources with a five year plan to be successful and to return the Sydney Club competition back to ten or twelve teams.

Congratulations must go to Warringah for their success in the 2012 Grand Final with a very close 7 v 3 victory over the undefeated premiers Sydney University. The Finals standard are always high.

The fitness level of many players through the competition was lagging again this year even with reduced playing halves down from forty to thirty minutes three Clubs still recorded high scores which is little incentive to those lower placed teams. Skills abound so let's hope for an improvement from 2013.

Special thanks must go out to all committee members and again to Mark Green for his continued dedication to the SWRU which has flowed into NSW WRU who are now enjoying his knowledge, skills and support. NSWRU continue to provide full support to Women's rugby and we are looking forward to the flow on success to SWRU from this newly formed association.

Best Regards,

Graeme Holland

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REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Season 2012 was a season of change on the Representative front. For the first time even the ARU held a National 7's tournament at Riverview in Sydney and crowned a National 7's champion. Unfortunately the 15's Nationals was not run this season. Sydney however did not wish to see the 15s Representative landscape empty and took it upon themselves to organize and run the inaugural Tri-State Cup.

The representative season began with the search for two Sydney 7's teams to participate in the National Championships. The following players were selected to represent the Sydney 7s teams.

Alex Hargreaves	Alexandra Sulusi
Ashleigh Hewson	Ana Vailala
Cobie-Jane Morgan	Anne Rutledge
Dalena Dennison	Daisy Stowers
Hayley Tipene	Derelyn Chua
Iliseva Batibasaga	Hannah Sio
Lakeisha Tipene	Bianca Smith
Noella Green	Jasmine Sio
Shontelle Stowers	Michelle Bailey
Steph Cuvelier	Petra Zwart
Teina Clark	Syria Tuiasau
Tui Ormsby	Tarah Westera

Both teams performed very well, with Sydney White finishing runners up to QLD in the Cup Final and Sydney Blue finishing runners up in the Plate Final.

Results for the tournament can be seen at the below link to the ARU site:

<http://www.rugby.com.au/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=6iNekbkUqsM%3d&tabid=2772>

There was an announcement that no 15s Nationals would take place in 2012. At this time Sydney Women's Rugby Union set about organizing a tournament on the June long weekend and invited QLD, ACT and NSW Country to play a Sydney team over the course of 3 days. Unfortunately QLD were unable to attend, however the other three teams played matches against each other over a VERY wet weekend.

Sydney were crowned Tri-State Cup Champions. The results of the weekend are as follows –

Sydney 18 defeated ACT 12

NSW Country 18 defeated ACT 12

Sydney 15 defeated NSW Country 0



The following players were selected to represent the Sydney XV team.

Caroline Vakatahi	Losa Fangupo
Welle Clark	Patricia Ralkadooka
Victoria Meki	Stephanie Cuvelier
Haruka Takahashi	Sheridan Gho
Michelle Bailey	Lilin Tay
Dalena Dennison	Ramona Palasoo
Alex Hargreaves	Petra Zwart
Victoria Latu	Nita Maynard
Clare Illsley	Tasha Looa
Iul Ormsby	Sarah Jean
Natale Maclarn	Lakolsha Tipono
Hannah Sio	

Earlier in the year Sydney also played a touring British Army side in a tour match. The Sydney team acquitted themselves well and scored a try in the final seconds of the match to come out victors 17 15.

The following week the Sydney girls travelled down to Canberra to play the ACT team in a curtain raiser to a Brumbies match. On a cold night the Sydney team came out on top with a 8 5 win over the ACT ladies.

Congratulations to all girls who played for Sydney during season 2012 and good luck for 2013.

Erin Morton

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SWRU Representative Program Officer

MEETINGS ATTENDANCE

Graeme Holland	5/5
Erin Morton	5/5
Kelly Rees-Zarb	4/5
Tammy Philp	5/5
Megan Sharkey	4/5
Lauren James	4/5

CLUB SEASON RESULTS

TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	DF	PTS
Sydney University	15	14	1	0	471	106	365	69
Parramatta	15	10	2	3	485	141	344	54
Warringah	15	10	1	4	501	133	368	54
Waverley	15	4	0	11	149	428	-279	21
Penrith	15	2	1	12	200	524	-324	15
Rockdale	15	2	1	12	116	590	-474	10

FINALS RESULTS

GRAND FINAL

Jack Scott Memorial Shield

Warringah 7 def Sydney University 3

Best on Ground – Tui Ormsby (Warringah #10)

SEMI FINALS

Sydney University 48 def Waverley 0
 Parramatta 27 def Warringah 0



FINANCIALS

Morton O'Leary ***Chartered Accountants***

11 February 2012

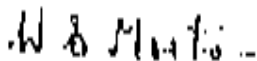
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The Committee
Sydney Women's Rugby Union Inc.

I have examined the income statement of Sydney Women's Rugby Union Inc. for the year ended 31 December 2012 together with receipts, dockets and bank statements and wish to report that the attached income statement is a true and correct reflection of the transaction for the year ended 31 December 2012.

Yours sincerely



Wayne S Morton FCA
Principal

SYDNEY WOMEN'S RUGBY UNION INC.

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

EXPENDITURE	\$	INCOME	\$
Sydney Representative Team - apparel, tape, food, field	150.00	Players levies - Reps 15s	0.00
Printing	435.00	Affiliation fees received	4500.00
Sydney 7s - Central Coast Entry	450.00	Sponsorship	0.00
Trophies	246.40	Player levies - Reps 7s	1650.00
Field Hire - 7s	725.00	Tri-State Cup	2313.05
Dept Fair Trading	158.00		
Bank fees	120.00		
Tristate Cup	1151.45		
NSWSRU Rego fees	1980.00		
7s jerseys	765.00		
Catering - meetings/Grand Final	429.15		
Sub Total Expenditure	6610.00	Total Income	8463.05
Accruals	3,090.00		
Total Expenditure	9,700.00		
Deficit for period	-1236.95		
Statement of Assets			
		Balance brought forward	2534.37
		less	
		deficit for period	1236.95
		Balance as at 31 December 2012	1297.42

