

MILPERRA COLTS JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB

# YEAR BOOK 2023





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# Milperra Colts J.R.L.F.C COMMITTEE FOR THE 2023 SEASON

**PRESIDENT** 

**VICE PRESIDENT** 

SECRETARY

**TREASURER** 

**David Harrigan** 

Katie Lawrence

Samantha Ross

**Tracey Bombaci** 









#### **GENERAL COMMITTEE**

**Matthew Walshe** 



**David Springall** 



Shannon loane



**Tim Sharman** 







### **52nd Annual General Meeting**

# Wednesday 15 November 2023 7:00pm

#### Milperra Colts Club House; Killara Reserve, Panania

#### Agenda

- 1. Reading and confirmation of the minutes of the previous annual meeting
- 2. Consideration and adoption of the annual report
- 3. Consideration and adoption of the annual financial report
- 4. Election of executive for 2024
- 5. Election of general committee for 2024
- 6. Business of which notice has been given
- 7. Life membership
- 8. General business



# David Harrigan's PRESIDENTS REPORT

Congratulations to all on a great year. For the first time since 2019 we have been able to get a full schedule of games played and a full event calendar for the Club.

It would be remiss of me to not acknowledge the outgoing President, Grant Bolling and all the work he has done for the Club over the past years. Thank you for your time, effort and Leadership. And thank you for taking up the Coaching role for the u14 girls this year. At the same time, I want to thank the other members of the Executive Committee, Sam, Tracey and Katie, for their help this year. And to the General Committee a big thank you also.

For season 2023 we fielded 16 teams across both male and female age groups, with 7 of those making it to the finals and 2 of those reaching the Grand Final. Unfortunately, the Club walked away without a Premiership this year but as you know we are not a trophy hunting Club. It's all about the players and the experience they have playing the greatest game of all.

Throughout the year we were able to host Friday night games, our annual Gala Day with its special tribute to young Cairo Winitana, and an inaugural Colts Old Boys Day which was a tremendous success – which the Old Boys are still raving about!

The Club was able to promote a significant number of representative players and is proud to be able to say we have had another 2 players signed up to the NRLW competition!

The development of the Club continues with works to the Referee's room to be completed in the off season, and the LED screen which remains a work in progress.

I'd like to pass a special thanks to our Major Sponsor, Bryden's Lawyers, for their continued support of the Club. Its great to have regular backing of the Club at the level they provide. To our other key Sponsors, thanks very much for your ongoing assistance. Without you all the Club would be struggling to survive.

And the last big thank you goes to the Players and Parents / Care-givers. Obviously without you there is no Club. Thanks for choosing to be a Milperra Colt. Once a Colt, always a Colt!





# Samantha Ross' SECRETARY REPORT

After several interrupted seasons, 2023 was a successful one. Not having to deal with COVID or torrential rain helped, but it was pleasing to see the Colts community pull together for a great season.

Firstly, I would like to extend our gratitude to Grant Bolling. Grant's tireless dedication and unwavering commitment to the growth and success of our club as President has left an admirable legacy at the Club.

We were all saddened at the beginning of the season with the tragic passing of young Cairo Winitana. Cairo has been a member of our Colts family since 2021. Our Gala Day this year was dedicated to Cairo and a great way for our Colts family and friends to celebrate his life along with his family.

Lauren Fowler has achieved a remarkable milestone this year with the Colts. Lauren has been with our club for an incredible 10 years, and in doing so, she has become the first female player to reach this milestone. Congratulations Lauren on this outstanding achievement.

Our coaches and trainers have continued to nurture the skills and talents of our young players. The number of representative players selected this year is testament to the dedication of our coaching staff. Special mention to Chelsea Makira for winning the NSW Under 19s State of Origin Women's Player of the Match.

I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to Dave, Tracey, Katie, and the general committee for the dedication you have all shown throughout this season and the support you have given to me. Together, we work hard to ensure our Club remains a place where young athletes can develop their skills, build lifelong friendships, and embrace the values of teamwork and sportsmanship.

A massive thank you to our Canteen manager, Shannon. Shannon, your hard work and organisation of our volunteers ensured that our canteen operations ran smoothly throughout the season.

I am delighted to report that we have seen a remarkable increase in volunteer numbers this year. The camaraderie, sportsmanship, and sense of community have created a welcoming environment for all. Let us continue to foster this positive vibe, which is essential for the growth and success of our club.

As we look ahead to the future, let us continue to work together to make our club even more successful. Together, we can achieve great things and create lasting memories for our players and supporters.





# In loving memory CAIRO WINITANA

The Milperra Colts Family were deeply saddened at the tragic loss of one of own Cairo Winitana at the beginning of this year. Cairo had been a member of the Colts Family since 2021.

This years Gala Day was a chance for us all to come together as a Club and community and celebrate Cairo's life.









#### **COLTS OLD BOYS**

Season 2023 saw the formation of the Milperra Colts "Old Boys" Social media page on Facebook. As two former Colts players, Marty Harris and Craig Elvin, were chatting about the old days, they wondered if others former Colts had the same great memories as they did wearing the Black, White & Green. Within a few days, the new members to the page grew, as did the posting of old photos, programs and trophies from the past. We knew we were onto something.

Talk was growing about some kind of reunion, but it took club legend Jimmy Harvey to get in contact with the Club and set the date – 26th August 2023, for the first ever Milperra Colts Old Boys Reunion. It was decided to have a pretty simple affair at the old stomping ground, Killara Reserve, as we really didn't know how it would all turn out.

'If you build it, they will come' never rang truer, as the Colts of the past showed up in full force. From our first ever graded players in the 1970's, Committee Members of the past and former legends of the Club, the night was a resounding success, with many present wanting another gathering the following week !! The buzz around the night was like it was 1980 again, with many catching up with old friends they had not seen for many years. It was a perfect example of what the club and the people meant to each other all those years ago. The sight of the old boys, resplendent in their Old Boys caps was something to behold. It was too good not to do again.....see you in 2024.





























#### Milperra Colts Junior Rugby League Club

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#### Milperra Colts J.R.L.F.C

#### LIFE MEMBERS

1981	Ken Horner, Doug Pratt	2007	Kayleen Smith
1992	Jim Harvey	2008	Frank Spiteri, Deidre Spiteri
1993	Noel Kerr	2009	lain Smith
1998	Joy Hurworth, Darren Lightfoot	2011	John Kerr, Steve Pritchard
1999	Anthony Simpson, Stephen Hurworth	2012	Angie Cooper, Joe Vella
2000	Fred Hagan, Shannon Kriss	2013	Shantell Simpson, Scott Dominish
2003	Col Collins, Grant Davis	2015	Grant Bolling
2005	Steve Brown	2020	David Harrigan, Matthew Walshe, Dave Hargreaves
2006	Terry Beale, Gary Phillips	2021	Donna Okunbor, Karen Cutler

#### Milperra Colts who have played

#### FIRST GRADE NRL

Michael Pobjie Newtown, South Sydney, Balmain

Greg Barwick Canterbury, Penrith, Norths, Sydney Tigers

Daniel Heckenberg Parramatta

Steven Price St George, Balmain

Trent Cutler Canterbury

Justin Holbrook Craig Madsen Newcastle, Penrith, Sydney Roosters Canterbury, St George, Wests, Illawarra

Tim Winitana Canterbury
Jayden Okunbor Canterbury
Brett Langford South Sydney

Tony Davies South Sydney, Canterbury Lachlan Burr Canterbury, Warriors, Titans

Aaron Pene Warriors, Melbourne

Angelina Teakaraanga Katoa Sydney Roosters, St George (NRLW)

Billy Tsikrikas Canterbury
Paul Alamoti Canterbury

Noaria Kapua Parramatta (NRLW)
Cheynoah Amone St George (NRLW)

#### 2023 Milperra Colts

#### **AWARD WINNERS**

Club Volunteer of the Year
Most Improved
Fred Hagan Award
Club Champions

Taylor Ringland
Under 12s
Adam Ross
Open Womens



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### Milperra Colts J.R.L.F.C

#### **AWARD WINNERS**

#### **BEST AND FAIREST DIVISIONAL PLAYERS**









2022	Charles Faioso
2021	John Moffatt
2020	Mace Pailate
2019	Ruby Lane
2018	Ashton Macdonald
2017	Ashton Macdonald
2016	Matthew Veve
2015	Cooper Ward
2014	Kody Ogden
2013	Luke Phillips
2012	Lisiate Tupou
2011	Hayden Reti-McClintock
2010	Khaled Hamdan
2009	Kyle Werrett
2008	Layton Bolling
2007	Jay Comino

2022	Faizal Ridwan
2021	Ashton Macdonald
2020	Mikhai-James Darnley
2019	Kyle Ebbs
2018	Cooper Ward
2017	Cooper Ward
2016	Owen Millar
2015	Nicholas Tahan
2014	Jordan Cummins
2013	Daniel Mairi
2012	Joshua Hargreaves
2011	Gabriel Haddad
2010	Joshua Hargreaves
2009	Gabriel Haddad
2008	Bailey Gwilliam
2007	Dillon McKenzie

2022 Luke Tiberti/Jake Barrett 2021 None 2020 Malia Faioso 2019 Blake Hawes 2018 Paul Alamoti 2017 Jordan Morrison 2016 Kailan Cambey 2015 Jon Moli 2014 Jon Moli 2013 Taren Wilson 2012 Austyn Pera 2011 Harrison Fox 2010 Benjamin Johns 2009 Ibrahim Rafraf Ben Johns 2008 Andrew Smith 2007

#### **JUNIOR & SENIOR CHAMPIONS**

#### These were the top awards until 2007

Year	<b>Junior Champions</b>	Senior Champions	Year	Junior Champions	Senior Champions
2006	Ephram Maere	Matt Harding	1992	Danny Price	Benjamin Springett
2005	Taine Crompton	Michael Taoai	1991	Ryan Moody	Ross Oxley/Brett Langford
2004	George Tsikrikas	Bryce Langdale	1990	Danny Price	Brett Caddy
2003	Klayden Dupre	Bryce Langdale	1989	Danny Price/Luke Parker	Craig Richardson
2002	Klayden Dupre	Bryce Langdale	1988	Jonathan Foley	Wayne Hunter
2001	Shane Hudson	Tim Winitana	1987	Ryan Snape	Geoff Haymes
2000	Kristian Marlow	Tim Winitana	1986	Steven Price	Matthew Harvey
1999	Tim Winitana	Josh Claxton	1985	Justin Holbrook	Colin Dodd
1998	Lio Sagato	David Claxton,/Andrew Sutton/Christopher Lentholm	1984	Todd Churchill	Zoran Todoroski
1997	Ben Davis	Sonny Sewell/Shannon Jones	1983	Justin Holbrook	Dale Collins
1996	Trent Cutler	Chris Brown	1982		Tim Stockings
1995	Ellis Hurworth	Gavin Channer	1981		Mark Vella
1994	Trent Cutler	Peter Warburton	1980		Steve McGee
1993	Darren Brown	Trevor Greaves	1979		Tim Stockings



#### **5 YEAR PLAYERS**



**ASH POMARE** 



**CURTIS GYAMFI JR** 



**GEORGE BAROUD** 



JAZMYN PANAPA



**JOE ELIAS** 



MIKHAI-JAMES DARNLEY



**RHYTHM TARIA** 



**RYAN HOGAN** 

#### **10 YEAR PLAYERS**



**ASHTON MACDONALD** 



JETT CHEGWIDDEN



**KYLE EBBS** 



**LAUREN FOWLER** 

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# Canterbury-Bankstown D.J.R.L.F.C AWARDS

Irae Leatigaga won CBDJRL Female International Player of the Year in 2022
Milperra Colts won Female Club Champions 2022
Milperra Colts won Club Champions 2022

Milperra Colts won Canterbury Bankstown JRL Women's Club of the Year 2020
Grant Bolling elected as a Canterbury Bankstown Junior Rugby League Life Member in 2019
Stephen Crawford won the Coaching Excellence Award at the Peter Moore Academy in 2019
Danielle Towers won "Karen Folkes Women in League" award in 2019

Nicole Bolling won "JLO of the Year" award in 2019 Milperra Colts won "NSW Grassroots Club of the Year" in 2018 Milperra Colts won "Canterbury JRL Club of the Year" in 2018

Logan Towers won "Under 8s Division 2 Canterbury JRL Player of the Year" in 2018
Ashton Macdonald won "Under 9s Division 2 Canterbury JRL Player of the Year" in 2018
Lucas Crowley won "Under 10s Division 2 Canterbury JRL Player of the Year" in 2018
Cooper Ward won "Under 11s Division 2 Canterbury JRL Player of the Year" in 2018
Malia Faioso Won "Under 12s Division 2 Canterbury JRL Player of the Year" in 2018

David Springall won "Canterbury JRL Volunteer of the Year" in 2018
Logan Towers won "Under 7s Canterbury JRL Player of the Year" in 2016
Cooper Ward won "Under 9s Canterbury JRL Player of the Year" in 2016
Kailan Cambey won "Under 13s Canterbury JRL Player of the Year" in 2016
Matthew Leitch won "Canterbury JRL Leading Try Scorer" in 2010

Milperra Colts won "Canterbury JRL Club of the Year" in 2009 Donna Okunbor won "Canterbury JRL Volunteer of the Year" in 2009 Jayden Okunbor won "Canterbury JRL Mod Try Scorer of the Year" in 2009

Fred Hagan elected as a Canterbury Bankstown Junior Rugby League Life Member in 2009 Jayden Okunbor won "Canterbury JRL Best and Fairest Mod Player of The Year" in 2007 Steve Small elected as a Canterbury Bankstown Junior Rugby League Life Member in 2004

Tim Winitana won "Bill Delauney Medal" For best player Under 13s to 16s in 2000
Trent Cutler won "Bill Delauney Medal" For best player Under 13s to 16s in 1999
Steve Small won "Canterbury JRL Club Secretary of the Year" award in 1996
Paul Foley won "Canterbury JRL Club Secretary of the Year" award in 1990
Greg Sankey won "Canterbury JRL Coach of the Year" award in 1987
Justin Holbrook won "Canterbury JRL Best and Fairest Mod Player" in 1986
Milperra Colts were awarded the Junior Club Championship in 1979, 1980 and 1982

S. Thorne won "Bill Delauney Medal" For best player Under 13s to 16s in 1976 and 1978

#### Club PREMIERSHIPS

A Grade	1990	Under 12s	1974, 1980, 1981, 1987, 1990, 1994, 2022
D Grade	1987	Under 11s	1979, 1990, 2008, 2012, 2019
Under 19s	2013	Under 10s	1978, 1990, 1991, 1996
Under 16s	2000, 2020	Under 9s	1983, 1985, 1987, 1990, 1994, 2004
Under 14s	1976, 2017, 2018	Under 8s	1979, 2001, 2012
Under 14G	2022	Under 7s	1978, 1980, 1983, 1991, 1995, 2010
Under 13s	1975, 1987, 2013, 2016, 2017	Under 6s	1994, 1995



# Milperra Colts J.R.L.F.C TEN YEAR PLAYERS

1986	Craig Horner	2007	Ben Arthur
1988	Troy Horner, Ian Soyer	2010	Shaun Cooper, Taylor Pritchard
1989	Glen Hunter	2011	Brandon Burrell, Kane Flynn
1990	Jai Johnson, Sassine Sleiman	2012	Dillon McKenzie, Jackson Okunbor
1991	Anthony Simpson, Steven Price,	2013	Billy Tsikrikas
	Gasson Abdul Wahab	2014	Layton Bolling
1993	Dennis Hatch, Shannon Kriss,	2015	Dylan Burrell
	Darren Lightfoot, Danny Price	2017	Kailan Cambey, Brodie Pascoe
1995	Ryan Cutler	2018	Harrison Passalis, Dylan Walshe,
1996	Paul Ebbs, Troy Thickett		Kalvyn Pera, Amir Haddad
1997	Ellis Hurworth, Ryan Moody	2019	Brendon Lecce
1998	Trent Cutler	2020	Jarryd Walshe
1999	Darren Brown, Lloyd Hurworth,	2021	Cooper Ward, Koby Cooke, Logan Braddick,
	Christopher Jozwiak, Joshua Mulligan		Luke Phillips, Luke Windschuttle, Xander Walsh
2001	Scott Osbourne	2022	Issa Derbas, Kaden McClelland
2002	Paul Christie, Scott Christie, Tyrone Collins	2023	Ashton Macdonald, Jett Chegwidden, Kyle Ebbs,
2003	Ben Davis, Steven Hockley		Lauren Fowler
2004	Matthew Sbrana, Kyle Spiteri		
2005	Aaron Spiteri		

Milperra Colts J.R.L.F.C

#### **FIFTEEN YEAR PLAYERS**

1998 Darren Lightfoot 1999 Shannon Kriss



# Milperra Colts J.R.L.F.C PAST AWARD WINNERS

	MANUEL EL DANG DOUBLE COORER					
ly.	INI LEADING POINTS SCORER					
2007 Taine Crompton 2008 Corey Driver 2009 Kyle Werrett 2010 Jordan Cummins 2011 Jack Hardy 2012 Bailey Fuller	2013 Henare Reti, Tommy Tsougranis 2014 Kody Ogden 2015 Riley Beh 2016 Matthew Veve 2017 Korbyn Bathis 2018 Ashton Macdonald	2019 Rewi Shepherd 2020 Billy Theodosiou 2021 Lennox Berry 2022 Charles Faioso 2023 Yousha Habak				
	MOD LEADING POINTS SCORER					
2007   Sam Liney, Joshua Driver 2008   D'Jae Rhodes 2009   Jayden Okunbor 2010   Kingston Rapaea 2011   Jordan Cummins 2012   Brodie Romcke-Harber	2013   Bailey Fuller 2014   Adam Cheikho 2015   Taylem Ott 2016   Luke Phillips 2017   Matthew Veve 2018   Curtis Gyamfi Jnr	2019 Soulja Price, Rylan Phillips 2020 Rhys Del-Grande 2021 Jaxon Beazley 2022 Zachariah Eid 2023 John Moffatt				
INTE	RNATIONAL LEADING POINTS SCORE	R				
2007 Mouhamad Khayat 2008 Brendan Cox 2009 Brendan Cox 2010 Matthew Leitch 2011 Brendan Cox 2012 Ibrahim Rafraf	2013   Brendan Cox 2014   Adam Ogden 2015   Jon Moli 2016   Jordan Morrison 2017   Jake Lane 2018   Paul Alamoti	2019 Malia Faioso 2020 Malia Faioso 2021 None* 2022 Bailey Ma-Chong 2023 Rhys Del-Grande				
JA	RED BYRNE MEMORIAL SHIELD					
Awarded to an inspirational Intern	ational player, as voted by the General Committee. This awar	d ceased after 2018.				
2008   Aaron Burrell 2009   Ben Davis 2010   Brendan Cox 2011   Zachary Lamont	2012   Jeremy Safi 2013   Billy Tsikrikas 2014   Taren Wilson 2015   Fawaz El-Baba	2016   Gabriel Haddad 2017   Iverson Teo 2018   Paul Alamoti				

#### **RAY ACKLAND AWARD**

Awarded to the most improved under 6 player. This award ceased after 2018.

1995 1996 1997	Kane Moon Reece White & Luke Lembryk David King	2005 2006 2007	Layton Bolling Michael Johnston Kyle Weatherall		James McKenzie Henare Reti Ashton Macdonald
1998	Ngamu Winita	2008	Dylan Burrell		Aidan Simpson
1999	Mark Morley	2009	Hayley Elliott	2016	Aiden Passalis
2003	Jamie Reynolds	2010	Jack Hardy	2017	Levi Anderson
2004	Lachlan McMartin	2011	Tommy Tsougranis	2018	Jesse Walshe

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# Milperra Colts J.R.L.F.C PAST AWARD WINNERS

#### **BEN PERA AWARD**

Awarded to an inspirational Mod player, as voted by the General Committee. This award ceased after 2018.

2016 | Jyhe Foat 2017 | Kobi Brasch 2018 | Koby Cooke

#### **FRED HAGAN AWARD**

Awarded to an inspirational coach as judged by the General Committee.

2011	Scott Dominish	2015	Kevin Chambers		Kevin Chambers
2012	David Ogden	2016	David Harrigan		Joey Saukuru
2013	Ben Pera	2017	Mick Pascoe		None*
	Jonathan Macdonald	150000000000000000000000000000000000000	Steve Matai		Scott Lane
LOI	1 Jonathan Macaonala	2010	Steve Matai	2023	Adam Ross

#### **SECRETARY AWARD**

Awarded by the Secretary to an outstanding team manager. Combined with Club Person of the Year award, to become Club Volunteer of the Year in 2019.

2004	Steve Pritchard	2009	Mark Shepherd	2014	Kerrie Elliott
2005	Angie Cooper	2010	Rae Crawford	2015	Vicki Cambey
2006	Steve Pritchard	2011	Karina Weatherall	2016	Katie Lawrence
2007	Angie Cooper	2012	Kelly Taylor	2017	Vanessa Walshe
2008	Fiona Shepherd	2013	Tracey Bombaci	2018	Samantha Ross

#### CLUB VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Formerly known as Club Person of the Year.

2003	Shantell Gatt	2011	Brad Whigham	2018	Joe Bombaci
2004	Frank Spiteri	2012	Scott Grady	2019	Samantha Ross
2005	Fiona Lucas & Caroline Gwilliam	2013	David Springall	2020	Shannon Ioane
2006	Donna Okunbor	2014	Scott Lane	2021	Craig Lawrence
2007	Harold Green & Dawn Pritchard	2015	Joe Bombaci	2022	Adam Ross
2008	Angelo Piazetta	2016	Rob Windschuttle	2023	Taylor Ringland
2010	Angie Cooper	2017	Barry Ward		, 0

#### **CLUB CHAMPIONS**

Awarded to the team, as judged by the General Committee, who ranked highest throughout the club.

2019 U11 Div 3 - Coach K.Chambers

2012 | U17 Div 1 - Coach J. Vella

2006 1	U11 Grade- Coach J. Vella	2013	U19 Div 1 - Coach J.Vella	2020	U16 Div 1 - Coach J.Saukuru
			1		
	U12 Grade- Coach J.Vella	2014	U11 Div 3 - Coach D.Springall		None*
2008	U13 Div 1- Coach J.Vella	2015	U12 Div 1 - Coach B.Pera	2022	U14 Div 1 Girls - Coach F.Ma-Chong
2009	U14 Div 1- Coach J.Vella	2016	U13 Div 2 - Coach M.Pascoe	2023	Open Womens - Coach K. Lawrence
2010	U15 Div 1 - Coach J.Vella	2017	U14 Div 2 - Coach M.Pascoe		· · ·
2011	II16 Div 1 - Coach I Vella	2018	III1/ Div 1 - Coach S Matai		



# Since 1988 MULTIPLE BEST & FAIREST

Kyle Spiteri	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	Jordan Cummins	2010	2014
Cooper Ward	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		Luke Phillips	2013	2014
Jayden Okunbor	2004	2005	2006	2008	2009		Sean Bombaci	2011	2014
Bailey Gwilliam	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008		Taren Wilson	2013	2014
Ben Davis	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999		Kyle Werrett	2009	2013
Ashton Macdonald	2017	2018	2021	2022	2023		Dillon McKenzie	2007	2012
Tim Winitana	1998	1999	2000	2001			Ibrahim Rafraf	2009	2012
Ellis Hurworth	1993	1994	1995	1999			Joshua Hargreaves	2010	2012
Adam Whitelaw	1994	1995	1997	1998			Khaled Hamdan	2010	2012
Danny Price	1988	1989	1990	1992			Brendan Lloyd	2009	2011
Malia Faioso	2019	2020	2022				Gabriel Haddad	2009	2011
Lucas Crowley	2018	2019	2020				Kingston Rapaea	2010	2011
Logan Towers	2016	2018	2019				Matenga Corbett	2009	2011
Kailan Cambey	2010	2013	2016				Vincent Agavale	2009	2011
<b>Brendon Lecce</b>	2011	2013	2014				Benjamin Johns	2008	2010
Kyle Weatherall	2009	2011	2012				Shaun Cooper	2003	2010
Layton Bolling	2007	2008	2009				Jay Comino	2007	2008
Brendan Cox	2006	2007	2009				Taine Crompton	2005	2006
Marcus Maere	2001	2005	2006				William Perera	2005	2006
Michael Taoai	2000	2005	2006				Jim Pedemont	2004	2005
Bryce Langdale	2002	2003	2004				Rhys Hooker	2003	2005
Mark Morley	2002	2003	2004				Jackson Okunbor	2003	2004
Luke Parker	2000	2001	2002				Klayden Dupre	2002	2003
Trent Cutler	1994	1995	1996				Nathan Harrison	2002	2003
Zachariah Eid	2021	2022	2023				Kar Wong	2000	2002
Christopher Teres	2021	2022					Aaron Spiteri	1999	2001
Luke Tiberti	2021	2022					James Cartwright	2000	2001
John Moffatt	2019	2021					<b>Anthony Hadley</b>	1999	2000
Hayley Elliott	2019	2020					Ngamanu Winitana	1999	2000
Kyle Ebbs	2019	2020					David Claxton	1997	1998
Paul Aamoti	2018	2020					Joseph Wright	1997	1998
Katoa Mairi	2016	2017					Guy Buczek	1996	1997
Matthew Veve	2016	2017					Chris Brown	1994	1996
Taylem Ott	2015	2017					Dylan Moon	1994	1995
Nicholas Tahan	2015	2016					Luke Parker	1988	1989
Eti Moananu	2007	2015					Justin Holbrook	1983	1985
Dylan Walshe	2012	2014							





















































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#### 2023 REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

Cook Islands

Chelsea Makira

Italy

Massimo Mari

**Australian Schoolgirls** 

Manilita Takapautolo

NSW U19 State of Origin

Chelsea Makira Latisha Smythe

Litia Fusi

NRLW

Boss Kapua

Cheynoah Amone

**Bulldogs Harvey Norman 2023** 

Cheynoah Amone Priscilla Younes

Sarachen Oliver

**Bulldogs Tarsha Gale 2023** 

Abby Aros

Abigalye Sekitoga

Ambryn Murphy-Haua

Boss Kapua

Charlotte Eather

Chelsea Makira (C)

Dalia Nabhan

Hana Laufale

Hannah Makira

Ilisapeci Bari

Jasmine Lane

Kylani Koloamatangi

Latisha Smythe

Litia Fusi

Tarli Dennis

Tatiana Finua

Waimarie Martin

**Kiwi Ferns** 

Angelina Teakaraanga Katoa

**Australian Barbarians** 

Daniel Christodoulou

Sosaia Kaufusi

**NSW U19 Country** 

Charlotte Eather

**NSW U17 City** 

Amirah Abdallah

Audrey Nadaya-Harb

Aaliyah Nikua

Pauline Suli-Ruka

Manilita Takapautolo

**NSW Combined HS** 

Olivia Vaalele

Tyrus Siana Salanoa

Penrith Tarsha Gale 2023

Bella McEachern

**Bulldogs Lisa Fiaola 2023** 

Amirah El-Abdallah

Arijana Zammit-Kaipo

Audrey Nadaya-Harb

Faustina Akeje

Grace Leiataua

Jazmyn Panapa

Manilita Takapautolo

Maria-Rose Afeaki

Ofa Heitonga

Tarlia Livingstone

TeAira Rehutai

Tehillah Prasad

Sonaiva Kini-Samuelu

**Bulldogs Ambassodors Club** Scholarship

Faustina Akeje

Aliahana Fuimaono

Tonga

Litia Fusi

**Northern Territory** 

Abigale Sekitoga Ilisapeci Bari

**NSW U19 City** 

Boss Kapua

Chelsea Makira

Latisha Smythe

Litia Fusi

Tatiana Finua

**Bulldogs SG Ball 2023** 

Sione Lolohea

Fanafou Seve

Sosaia Kaufusi

**Bulldogs Harold Matthews 2023** 

Abdoulave Bah

Ahmad Hamam

Christian Lopez

Daniel Christodoulou

Peter Assaf

**U16 Summer Development Squad** 

2023/24

Rhys Del Grande

James Lanyon

**U15 Summer Development Squad** 2023/24

Ashton Macdonald

**U14 Summer Development Squad** 

2023/24

Laurent-Rae Peita Ioane

Zachariah Eid

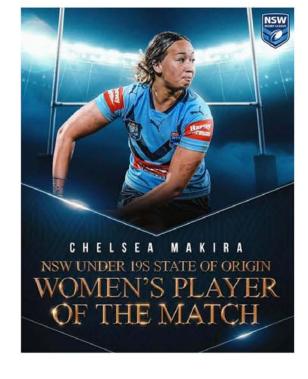
# 2023 REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS







































# Kevin Chambers' UNDER 6 COACH'S REPORT

We are Colties
We are True
We are Colties through and through
We have told you all before
We are Colties to the core!
C.O.L.T.S!

The players loved to Sing the Club song, it became part of our training ritual.

It is a truly humbling but extremely rewarding experience to coach 4-6year olds. Running with the ball lit their faces up like the New Years Eve Fireworks. Despite always wanting to play Bullrush, the u6 learnt a great deal.

Having a Play the Ball, Dummy Half and Rocket Runner (1st Receiver).
Running straight like a Rocket.
Golden Rules!!!!
Do not Run Out
Do not Run Backwards
Mooooove (away from the ruck)

Thanks to Stephanie for all your help with the Managing duties and to the other 2 Coaches Blackie and Turtle, I would not have been able to do it without you. And a big Thank-you to the parents for trusting me with your Children's Rugby league journey.

Go the Colts!

Adam Sabbagh
A big improver that
loved training.
Great attitude in
games by the end
of the Season.

Great work!

# Isla Ailiuua Only 4yo but very competitive. Lightning quick. Super Effort!

# Ashton Veleski Fantastic Debut. Junior Paulo Skills and toughness. Congratulations!

# Brax Berry 2 Time trophy winner who's confidence continued to grow. Fantastic!

# Electra Prinitis Saved her best for last. Found the self belief to have a run in the last game. Well done!

#### Elias Abdulnoor A hard working player that never gave up. Keep it up!

Ethan Ayoub
A natural leader
and team player.
Awesome attitude
and personality. A
pleasure to coach.

#### Gabriel Hijazi Was like the Fox when trying hard. Good Season!

#### Jonathan Ayoub Milperra Colts Fox. Like lightning and couldn't be tackled. Wow !!!!

#### Aleki Samoa Another 4yo but tough as Teak. Payne Haas move over. Fantastic effort!



## MILPERRA COLTS U/6's 2023







Back Row: Brax Berry, Adam Sabbagh
Middle Row: Ken Ailiuua (Trainer) Jayden Colliver (Trainer), Elias Abdulnoor, Ashton Veleski, Ethan Ayoub, Stephanie Prinitis (Manager), Kevin Chambers (Coach)
Front Row: Aleki Samoa, Electra Prinitis, Jonathan Ayoub, Gabriel Hijazi, Isla Ailiuua



























## Jessica Ashcroft's UNDER 7 COACH'S REPORT

At the beginning of our season, we had a rocky start as we only had 6-7 players and would often play with short or no subs. However, each of the kids pulled through with positivity and their 100% in the game no matter how hard it was! This really showed me how much the kids loved playing this sport and the amount of heart they all had.

Firstly I would just like to thank the coaching team which includes Stephanie and Chada. As well as the parents for showing up to support the children at every training and game. This being my first year coaching I am forever grateful to have experienced such a great team and the support I received from all the parents. As for the kids, each player has shown amazing improvement since day one.

From starting off with playing tag to finally playing tackle the kids were amazing throughout the whole season. I am incredibly proud of each of the players and how well they could work together no matter how many numbers they had on the field. I hope to see all our players back again next year!!

## MILPERRA COLTS U/7's 2023









#### **Best and Fairest**



Yousha Habak

#### Runner Up



Cody Sakaria

#### Coach's Award



Ali Hammoud

#### Most Improved



**Emad Sabbagh** 

#### Ali Hammoud

Ali was my speedy little dummy half who was always quick on his toes and ready for anything that was thrown his way! In each game, Ali would always put his 100% in both his attack and defensive. He has had an exceptional season!

#### Carter Moffat

No one would have known that Carter was the youngest in our team with the way he would run the ball and tackle! Carter was a machine that was always ready to score a try and as well as save a try. I look forward to seeing him hopefully come back next year.

#### Cody Sakaria

Cody had a great season while being one of the best defensive players on the team. He was always there to finish the tackle and was ready for whoever was running his way! I can't wait to see what Cody has in store for us next year!

#### **Emad Sabbagh**

Emad being our most improved player, has become an indestructible machine! Once Emad was running the ball there was no stopping him. He would always rock up to our training sessions and games with a big smile on his face. I hope to see this running machine next season!

#### Isaac Arja

Not only was Isaac a speedy learner, but he was also a speedy superstar on the field! Isaac was always happy to run the ball and support his team in every tackle both in our training sessions and games. I hope to see this superstar back next year!

#### Jacob Zoabi

Jacob our fearless tackler, was always an amazing team player by making sure to be there to support his teammates with each run and tackle that was made. He was another one of the amazing speedsters on our team.

#### Penelope Samoa

Penelope was an awesome strong runner who would palm off anyone who was in her way! With each run, Penelope would improve immensely making her a footy superstar by the end of the season. This superstar was always on point with her attack and defense.

#### Yousha Habak

Yousha was known as our stellar fullback. This player had the courage of a great leader making sure nothing was in his way! Once Yousha had the ball, there was definitely going to be a try at the end of his run. His defense was always on top and made sure no one could get past!



# Vinnie Wihare's UNDER 9 DIV 1 COACH'S REPORT

It was a big challenge to move up a Division this year. Our kids were trained hard and had plenty to work on off the field to improve their games. These kids are talented and have the ability to succeed if they stick to it.

They have improved immensely as a team this year. We saw a shift in the character of some key players this year which we struggled with to start. This showed them when our kids play together and for each other that they have more fun and play much better. It boosted the spirits of each person in the team and playing for each other is what the sport is about.

I am impressed that our kids kept their heads up, trained hard and continued competing until the end regardless of our wins and losses. A big thank you from your coach for your patience and allowing us to grow and develop in a challenging season.

### MILPERRA COLTS U/9's DIV 1 2023



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Back Row: Vinnie Wihare (Coach), Jasiah Wihare, Taiana Vaisima, Christopher Teres, Tony Teres (Trainer). Middle Row: Elaine Auciello (Manager) Talal Sabbagh, Lennox Berry, Tomah Shepherd, Billy Theodosiou. Front Row: Husayn Hallani, Zain Abdulwahab, James Auciello, Zephaniah Sakaria

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#### **Best and Fairest**



Talal Sabbagh

#### Runner Up



Lennox Berry

#### Coach's Award



Billy Theodosiou

#### Most Improved



James Auciello

#### **Billy Theodosiou**

A few years away but came back into his ability naturally. Billy is an enforcer and was one of our dominant tacklers this year. His offensive power is also impressive and will improve with more confidence and training.

#### Jasiah Wihare

Played with heart and has a strong passion for his team. Jasiah improved his footwork and agility throughout the year and developed some confidence in tackling.

#### **Tomah Shepherd**

Played a positive impact on the field. Gifted with natural ability and pace Tomah can excel if he remains consistent and confident in his abilities.

#### **Christopher Teres**

Another strong leader in our team. Used his voice well to direct his teammates around the park and also carried with some great efforts this year. Working on his confidence will take his game to another level.

#### Lennox Berry

Another strong year. Talent is all over this kid. I was particularly impressed with the character changes that we worked on develop over the season. With the right attitude, he will go a long way.

#### Zain Abdulwahab

A leader in performance for his team. A huge heart and full of energy, Zain bring a confidence to those around him. We worked hard this year on improving his game and when he combines his attitude and effort, he's unstoppable.

#### Husayn Hallani

We were particularly impressed with Husayns efforts this year. First year in footy and as a small player he showed bravery and brilliance take on some of the biggest in the competition.

#### Taiana Vaisima

For one of few girls in the entire competition, we are proud of Taianas efforts. Taiana has the potential to be a superstar in this sport if she backs herself and builds on her confidence to play.

#### Zephaniah Sakaria

Solidified as a strong dummy half player. Not afraid to scoot and developed new abilities in his role.

#### James Auciello

Improved dramatically in his performance this year. Backing it up with consistency and some fitness and James will continue to excel and stand out as a strong performer.

#### Talal Sabbagh

Strong, confident, led his team in effort and wasn't afraid of a challenge. A standout performer and improved consistently right to the end of the season.



# David Springall's UNDER 9 DIV 2 COACH'S REPORT

In the world of sports, victory is often celebrated as the ultimate achievement. However, the Milperra Colts Under 9 Division 2 team showed us that there is much more to sport than what is shown on the scoreboard. While the team may not have celebrated victories on the scoreboard, they did achieve tremendous personal growth and skill development. More importantly, they gained an understanding of the values of teamwork, perseverance, and sportsmanship

An excited group of children came together shortly before the season began eager to learn how to play the game they loved so much. The team welcomed six players who were playing their first year of football for the Colts. Friendships were formed immediately and there was a great team environment all year.

Probably the biggest highlight of the season was the team having the opportunity to play at Accor Stadium at halftime of the Bulldogs and Knights game. I am sure that this is a memory that all the players will remember. Regardless of the outcome of the games, they approached each match with enthusiasm and determination to improve their skills. It was evident to everyone on the sideline that the players were getting better in both attack and defence. As a coach, I have never been so excited every time a team score a try. The journey this team has taken in 2023 and the lessons they have learned on and off the field are invaluable, and we hope to see all the players return in 2024 to continue this journey they have started.

A huge thank you to the team's amazing support staff. Ange Shepherd you have done a great job assisting me coach the team. Your patience with all the players and your ability to clearly show the players the skills they needed each week helped the team improve so much. Thank you also to the best manager a team could have, Marcella. We would have been lost without you. Finally a huge thank you to all the parents who cheered so loudly each week.

### MILPERRA COLTS U/9's DIV 2 2023







Back Row: David Springall (Coach), TJ Sibbons, Moustapha Raad, Harry Abdulnour, Angello Shepherd (Trainer).
Middle Row: Marcella Dewes (Manager), Dib Al Mouri, Rae-Maree Edwards, Izabella Ringland, Nicholas Edwards, Antonio Dewes-Utiaro, Nay Shepherd (Manager).
Front Row: Rima Shepherd, Jaxon Prinitis, Jacob Tuionuku, Aaryan Bhai

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#### **Best and Fairest**



Izabella Ringland

#### **Runner Up**



Jacob Tuionuku



Coach's Award

Dib Al Mouri

#### Most Improved



Nicholas Edwards

#### Aaryan Bhai

Aaryan, in his first year of Rugby League, was a fantastic addition to our team. His passing game and ability to make useful scoots in the dummy half position have been impressive. He consistently shows agreat attitude and listens carefully to advice from coaches. Aaryan has shown notable improvement in his understanding of the game, making him a valuable asset to our team.

#### Antonio Dewes-Utiaro

Antonio is a true force on the Rugby League field! His love for running with the ball and powerful stride make him dangerous on the field. A highlight of the season was his unforgettable length-of-the-field try against Greenacre.

#### Dib Al Mouri

I wish I could bottle the enthusiasm Dib shows towards Rugby League each week. He played every game this season with plenty of heart and just loves having the ball in his hand. His ability to run the ball and find the try line, gave us some great attacking flair this season. He loves training and worked hard this season to improve his skills. We can't wait to see hw Dib continues to grow in future seasons.

#### Harry Abdulnour

Harry played his first season of Rugby League for the Colts in 2023. His positive attitude and eagerness to learn, enabled him to improve each week. We're excited to see how far he'll go in the future, and we can't wait to have him back next year.

#### Izabella Ringland

Bella, in her first year of Rugby League, had a great season. As one of the "Bruiser Sisters," she tackled fearlessly and showed everyone how to tackle each week. Bella's skill at directing the team as First Receiver and setting up runners is alsoremarkable. But what truly sets her apart is her outstanding attitude and enthusiasm, making her an exceptional teammate. Bella's Player of the Year award is well-deserved.

#### Jacob Tuionuku.

Jacob's enthusiasm for the game is contagious, and it's no surprise that he earned the title of Player of the Year Runner-Up. His skill for running the ball stood out, and it's worth noting that he played up a grade without a hint of fear. In the First Receiver vest Jacob was always dangerous with his speedy scoots.

#### Jaxon Prinitis

Jaxon's commitment to improving his Rugby League skills was evident to all this season. While building confidence in tackling, Jaxon became increasingly more willing to get involved. His growing understanding of the game is evident, and Jaxon's improved running skills resulted more and more runs each week. Keep pushing forward progress is a journey, and you are on the right track Jaxon!

#### Moustapha Raad

In his first season. Moustapha showed considerable improvement in his basic Rugby League skills. He just loves running the ball and scored several tries this season. Keep running, learning, and loving the game Moustapha. W are looking forward to seeing Moustapha continue to develop his confidence in his game next season.



#### Nicholas Edwards

Nick's love for running the ball and increased involvement this season have been nothing short of impressive. Scoring two tries against Moorebank was a standout moment that showcased his increased confidence this season. A real highlight for me was watching Nick's impressive dance moves whenever he scored a try.

#### Rae-Maree Edwards

Rae's improved confidence, especially in the role of dummy half, shows how hard she worked to improve her game this year. As one part of the "Bruiser Sisters, Rae showed no fear of running the ball into the opposition defenders. It's clear watching her that she loves playing Rugby League each week.

#### Rima Shepherd

Rima showed some commendable improvement in his involvement in games. It has been great to witness his increased confidence and willingness to get more involved in tackles. Despite playing up a grade in 2023, he showed no fear and always loves running with the ball.

#### TJ Sibbons

TJ gave Rugby League a go in 2023 and we are so glad he did. A player's first season of Rugby League can be challenging but it also offers plenty of opportunities to learn and develop. That's exactly what TJ did in 2023. He really shone when playing dummy half and made some amazing scoots from the play the ball.















## Charbel Baroud's UNDER 10 COACH'S REPORT

I'm going to start with this young and talented team that has been playing together since the beginning of this season when two teams were combined to make one bigger team, which has had a great season this year.

Making it to the playoffs especially because they are still gelling together to become one. They are now calling themselves a football family and they have bonded with each other to make a great team for the future.

I can't wait to see them play again next season especially with their family's also coming together to support them in their football family we have become a family and we will continue our journey together as one.

THANKS TO MY U10's FOR BRINGING THE JOY INTO MY LIFE AGAIN!!

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Back Row: Ash Pomare, Jo-Al Ioane, Thomas Makdessi Middle Row: Charbel Baroud (Coach), George Baroud, Phoenix Price-Taimana, Miller McWhirter, Francis Ngatai-Stone, Daniel Mannah (Trainer) Front Row: Joseph Ayoub, Isaac Habib, Elisha Smith, Jessica Fowler, Alexander Roumi, Laith Nabhan, Jonathan Mannah Absent: Mason Azhar, Danielle Azhar (Manager)



#### **Best and Fairest**



Elisha Smith

#### Alexander Roumi

A silent observer in the beginning. As the season went on, he has developed into a great footballer and has mastered the art of oneon-one tackling. Watch Out!!!

#### George Baroud

A very humble young man who has become a strong hearted footballer who loves his teammates and fires up when they are getting hurt on the field where he switches on from gentle to the hulk when his teammates need him.

#### Jonathan Mannah

A quiet achiever, a special young kid who comes to training, never complains and has respect to any of the managers, parents or me the coach. He has also become an amazing defensive system for our team.

#### Runner Up



Phoenix Price-Taimana

#### Ash Pomare

A real leader of the forward pack who runs and tackles at 100 k/m per hour with great footwork and a can-do attitude that leaves his opposition on the floor underneath him. Get out of his way!

#### Isaac Habib

A mighty big man in a small body who has come to be a young man with very good ball skills who has learned to start backing himself more which will only make him better and better.

#### Joseph Ayoub

They say great things come in small packages with huge water bottle, puffy jackets and a huge heart, well that's Joey in a NUT SHELL!!! Always tries to take on the biggest person in the opposition in defence while running between the biggest person and succeeds.

#### Coach's Award



Jo-Al Ioane

#### Elisha Smith

A young man who has a talent that cannot be taught or coached. A true fearless leader on the field and the most humble, respectful and let's not forget team joker off the field. A talent to watch out for in the future.

#### Jessica Fowler

For one of the youngest on A beautiful pure hearted our side, Jess always has a smile on her face and won't engage unless asked, but towards the end turns into a running of the season that has changes where her smile has turned upside down on the field which has shown in her great tackling and defence.

#### Laith Nabhan

My human wreaking ball!! Loves to mingle around and get on his team-mate's nerves! As the season progressed. he has become the centre of his team and earned his team's respect.

#### Most Improved



Alexander Roumi

#### Francis Ngatai-Stone

A real cool character. This young smooth operator loves to joke around off the field but on the field. he's one of our last lines of defence which has proven to be one of the great importance to our team great defensive work. Keep it up!

#### Jo-Al loane

young lady with a old soul. However when her switch is activated she steamroller so get out of the way you have been warned!!

#### Mason Azhar

Well, this young man has huge talent on the field with and without the ball in his hand. With great leadership skills and carries all his teammates problems on his shoulders. However, he has a huge impact on and off the field with all his teammates. Great young man.



#### Miller McWhirter

I have seen fit in and energetic kids before, but I have never seen, or will I ever see again a young man who just wants to run and play with his teammates all the time. In one instance I seen him outrun his own dog where the dog was huffing and puffing, and Miller was pulling him forward and that was after his game.

#### Phoenix Price-Taimana

A great young woman on and off the field, with the ball in her hand she is one of the greatest runners and try scorers of the game and has a great future in rugby league ahead of her. Keep going!!!

#### Thomas Makdessi

Caution this young man will make you fall or most likely make you fall in love with him, with his great respect and so well-mannered on and off the field and ongoing improvement on the field. Tommy is improving more and more each game. A real team player.





# Sean Kennedy's UNDER 11 COACH'S REPORT

#### **Best and Fairest**



Jesse Walshe

#### Runner Up



John Moffatt

#### Coach's Award



Diaz Pule

#### Most Improved



Maxxus Xi

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#### Ahmad El Hassan

"The Little General"
What a voice, Ahmad
has a way of organizing
and pumping up the
team on and off the
field, love your work
Ahmad, can't wait to see
you back next year.

#### **Anthony Teres**

Another first year player, positioned play is something that gets dismissed for younger players, Anthony is a natural at getting to the right place in the field as instructed, you are going to be a joy to coach in the future Anthony. Keep up the great work.

#### Bentley Campbell

Such an intimidating hard tackler and focused runner when he's on his game. Great work this season Bentley.

#### Cohen Winitana

Cohen is always a pleasure to coach and such a team spirited young man, he made some fantastic runs this season, looking forward to next season.

#### Diaz Pule

Diaz had a great season, and the proof is in the pudding, extra training at home improves your game and it showed on the field, great year Diaz.

#### George Fear

George played up this year and he shows great promise as a team player, he always bought an upbeat attitude to both training and to games that was enjoyed by all, can't wait to see you back next year Georgie.

#### Izack Seitula

Izack was another new player to our team this year, he showed great leadership and was a powerhouse on defense.

#### Jesse Walshe

For another season
Jesse led from the front
in both defense and
attack, Jesse showed his
ability in reading the
field and it showed, a
fantastic season Jess.

#### Joe Elias

Joe had a hard start to the year with a broken arm, he showed great strength in returning late to the season, he regained his confidence and finished strong, looking forward to a full season next year.

#### John Moffatt

"The Sniper" he's able to take down the biggest in the opposition despite being the smallest, this kid has no fear. Keep it going John.

#### Lachlan Goodwin

Lachie was another player that played up a grade this year, proof that size doesn't matter, Lachie was able to hold his own on the field, great season Lachie.

#### Levi Shepherd

This guy broke his leg which ended his season, however he still turned up to training and to games to support his team, even with no game time, its kids like this is why I enjoy coaching. Let's make next year your year Levi.

#### Lyriah Tavalu

Riah also playing up this season and a new addition to our team, he showed great heart in training and in games, as a coach I loved seeing such passion at a young age, hope to see you back next year Riah.

#### Maxxus Xi

This was Max's first year playing, he came into our team as a shy boy and finished a machine, couldn't be prouder of his performance, Keep it up Maxie.

#### Patrick Deegan

Patrick continued in his dummy half role where his diligence in getting the ball away aided his team, well done Patrick.

#### **Thomas Buxton**

As a coach I couldn't have been prouder of Tommy when he showed his capabilities, specifically in his tackling, let's keep it on track for a cracker season next year Tommy.

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## Adam Ross' UNDER 12 COACH'S REPORT

Season 2023 was a successful one for the Colts U/12's. Some big changes from last season, with a new coach and trainers, plus 6 new players meant there was a lot of excitement and expectation.

Our first game resulted in a victory despite playing with only 11 players, and the bravery and commitment shown in that first game by the team convinced us that we had the potential to have a great season, and the players certainly didn't disappoint. Our game plan was simple, play to our strengths, and as a result we were able to have some dominant victories with Mateo, Jaxon and Kora all reaching double figures in try scoring this season. More pleasing though was the effort and attitude in defence, limiting our opponent to 12 points or less on 8 occasions and only losing 2 regular season games. This hard work ensured that we finished the season as Minor Premiers, which was testament to the hard work and commitment of the team.

While we didn't execute as well as we would have liked in the semi's (such as conversion kicks!), we still gave a good account of ourselves to bow out against the eventual Grand Final winners. While disappointing, these kids are so talented and dedicated that I have no doubt we will continue to see them develop and be successful again next season.

I would like to thank Shanelle for giving up her time on match days to manage the team, it's hard not to yell while you're sitting at the scorer's table, its greatly appreciated. Ethan, it's always good seeing older brothers getting involved and helping the younger teams, so thank you for being trainer. Our Head trainer, Taylor, your passion to see the kids improve not only their confidence and skills but also develop as a team has been an immense help, cheers mate.

I would also like to acknowledge the Club committee and volunteers. Without your dedication and the hours of your own time you put in each season, we wouldn't have the chance to come together as a team.

A massive thanks to all our parents and families for this season. Your commitment to your children is inspiring and our fantastic team culture is a direct result of the support not only for the players, but also myself as coach, and I truly appreciated all your support this season.

While these kids are talented players, they are also (more importantly) good young people, and they are a credit to their parents and families. Finally, I would like to congratulate and thank my players. You have done everything asked of you this season, and I could not be any prouder of how you have developed and what you were able to accomplish. Keep working hard, keep striving to improve, and I'm sure more success is coming your way. Thanks for a fantastic season and I can't wait for next year.



### **Best and Fairest**



Mateo Fulton- Ratuyada

### **Runner Up**



Jaxon Beazley

### Coach's Award



Kora Ngatai Stone

### Most Improved



Jayden McMillan

### MILPERRA COLTS U/12's 2023







Back Row: Tyson Ringland, Lewis Evers
Middle Row: Taylor Ringland (Trainer), Michael Tran, Mateo Fulton-Ratuyada, Noah Nabhan, Kora Ngatai Stone, Adam Ross (Coach), Ethan Renton (Trainer)
Front Row: Matthew Renton, John-Paul Rahme, Malek Abdulwahab, Jayden McMillan, Michael Ross, Faizal Ridwan, Safwan Ridwan
Absent: Shanelle Beazley (Manager), Jaxon Beazley

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#### Callan Bates

Callan joined us midseason, and what an impact he made. His strong running and aggressive defence meant he quickly became a key player and he loves doing the tough stuff. Callan was one of our best in our finals games and we look forward to seeing his progression next season.

### John-Paul Rahme

John Paul missed a good portion of the season, but always tried his best when he played. His teammates were really hoping to see JP score his first try this season. It was good to see him gain some confidence and he made some good tackles defending out wide.

#### Faizal Ridwan

Faizal can impact the game in many ways. He has plenty of speed and tenacity, but also puts his hand up for the tough runs in the middle. A great competitor who can intimidate with his fierce tackling, he's the player his teammates look to for an inspiration in defence.

### Kora Ngatai Stone

Kora returned to the team this season and developed into one of our key attacking players. Naturally fast and tough, Kora dominated games with her speed and aggressive defence. Super proud of how far she has progressed and can't wait to see what the future holds for this special player.

### Jaxon Beazley

Jaxon had another great season as our Fullback. One of the best kick returners in the competition, Jaxon's ability to launch a counterattack enabled us to start our sets in good field position. Scored some fantastic long range tries including one in our Semi-final to keep us in the game.

#### **Lewis Evers**

Lewis provided some intimidation factor to our side this season that made other teams nervous. He used his size, speed, and power to great effect. I'm proud of the way Lewis embraced his role as our key go-forward player, and he was our best player in our final games.

### Jayden McMillan

In his debut Colts season, Jayden proved himself a fantastic team player. Whether scoring tries at Dummy Half, or defending on the wing, Jayden does everything asked of him. Super proud of how hard he worked on his defence as the season progressed and it showed in some big games.

#### Malek Abdulwahab

Malek worked hard in developing his fitness and skills early in the season, and it certainly showed. When Malek runs the ball, he is tough to stop due to his strength and footwork and he developed into a great backrower. Also was strong in defence with some spectacular tackles.

### Mateo Fulton-Ratuyada

In his first season as a Colt, Mateo stepped up to be our other First Receiver. Mateo is a tremendous competitor in all aspects of the game. He can score long range tries, but also takes the tough hit-ups, and in defence he is always putting his body on the line.

### **Matthew Renton**

Matty was again one of our most ferocious competitors who always gives it everything. He never shirks the tough stuff and will do whatever the team needs. A clever dummy half, Matty gave us a massive boost in our preliminary final, making plenty of metres and scoring a great try.

### Michael Ross

Again provided a steady hand in directing the team around at First receiver. His calm organisation provides the platform for our formidable try scorers. Michael is an elusive runner when he chooses that option and is good at shooting up in defence to pressure the opposition attack.

### Michael Tran

This was Michaels first season playing at the Colts and he proved to be a great teammate. One of the more interesting characters in the team, Michael really stepped up in our finals games, putting his hand up to take the tough hit-ups in our own half.



#### Noah Nabhan

A natural ballplayer and leader, the skipper led the team well this season. Noah was again tremendous in coming up with big plays at the right time, whether it be a short side cut-out pass, or a cheeky chip behind the line. As a coach, I greatly appreciate Noahs leadership.

#### Safwan Ridwan

Another fantastic year of improvement from our youngest player. Saf played with great confidence, grabbing plenty of metres at Dummy half and scoring some great tries. He also has no fear taking on the big guys in defence. His toughness and team first attitude are greatly admired by his teammates.

### Tyson Ringland

One of our key middle forwards, Tyson has a good motor plus he has plenty of skill to go with his size and strength. His development each year is great to watch as he works hard on developing all his skills. Looking forward to a big 2024 season for "Tryson".



























## Marcel Eid's UNDER 13 COACH'S REPORT

After winning the Division 2 grand final in 2022 and being moved up to Division 1 in under 13s with full international rules in place, 2023 was always going to be a challenge. We welcomed 6 new players to the team in Alex, Bronson, Jamal, Opi Villiami and Hussein. All players fitted in well and were made to feel comfortable by our current team at the time.

Playing against some of the best players in both Parramatta and Canterbury districts our boys had their hands full. To their credit, the boys kept showing up to the games and doing their best. Winless after 6 weeks it would have been easy for the boys to give up, however they kept working hard and the results showed at the back end of the season. We dropped back to Division 2 and faced the Dragons first up without some of our key players in Billy and Zach. The boys were in it at half time but just couldn't keep up with them in the second half. The boys went on to win 4 out of the last 6 games including beating competition leaders Parramatta Titans 14-12 in what was our best performance of the season. Parramatta had only lost 1 game all year and it just goes to show that our boys can beat anyone in the competition. It was great to see the boys confidence increase over the last 6 weeks of the season. Unfortunately we fell short of making the finals by a game or two.

I have no doubt that if we started the season in Division 2 earlier we would have been a top 4 side and pushing for another Grand Final appearance. The boys sure do have what it takes to win the D2 competition. All the boys did their part on the field however special mention goes to Bill Ross for his tireless efforts in defence and playing injured when the team needed, Ayden McGrath for steering the team and bringing his game to a new level and Majaah Ngatai- Stone for being fearless and putting his body on the line.

Congratulations to Bill, Isaac, Luey and Zach who were chosen to trial out for the Bulldogs U/14 Development squad. All the boys played well and did the Colts proud! A further Congratulations to Luey and Zach who were picked for the 2024 Development squad. I would like to thank William, Shaun, Nick and Ali for their help and support throughout the year! Also a huge thanks to all the parents for giving the kids the opportunity to play and bringing them to training and the games. I am very proud of these boys and for me ,seeing them build friendships and bond throughout the year was a success in itself. A GREAT team to be a part of. We never know what the future holds but hope to see you all next year...



### **Best and Fairest**



Zachariah Eid

Captain of the team, Zach led by example and had an amazing season. Division 1 did not faze Zach at all as he matched it with all players at that level. Each week he played with all his heart and put his body on the line. Zach proved to be the teams X factor. His devastating runs and brutal defence often left the opposition worse off. A Well deserved award!

### Runner Up



Laurent-Rae Peita Ioane

Luey, a humble and respectful young man had an outstanding season! It's the fittest and strongest I've seen him to be. Always taking damaging runs and his rock solid defence in the middle was great to watch. Keep up the good work. Can't wait to see him release more of the beast within next year. Up the Wahs!!

### Coach's Award



Isaac Hamon

Isaac had an awesome season, both in attack and defence. Mr Consistent, he played at his best every week and covered plenty of positions (without complaints) including second row, lock and fullback. His positioning at fullback was brilliant, had a great offload and always worked tirelessly in defence. Isaac has matured both on and off the field yet always seemed to come up with cheeky one liners. A pleasure to coach.

### Most Improved



Alex Halafihi

Watching Alex in the trials i knew this young man had potential. Alex's ball control and overall game improved immensely throughout the year. Alex was always keen to take hit ups and muscled up in defence. A hard working prospect with plenty of room to grow. A great first year at the Colts backed up with a couple of tries. Well done mate!







### MILPERRA COLTS U/13's 2023







Back Row: Isaac Hamon, Opeti Seti, Zachariah Eid , Alex Halafihi, Ayden McGrath,
Middle Row: William Hamon (Trainer), Nicholas Passalis (Trainer), Ryan Sharman, Jamal Taki, Laurent-Rae Peita Ioane, William Ross , Villiami Napa'a, Bronson Coombes,
Marcel Eid (Coach), Ali Zoabi (Manager)
Front Row: Daniel Shashati, Henry Ghookasian, Aiden Passalis, Daniel Zoabi, Rorey Fuller, Majaah Ngati Stone, Lachlan Archer
Absent: Shaun Azhar (Trainer), Mikhai-James Darnley, Hussein Baalbaki

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### Milperra Colts Junior Rugby League Club 2023 Yearbook

## Craig Lawrence's UNDER 14 COACH'S REPORT

2023 looked very promising when we started pre-season training, we welcomed George, Kai, Tristan and Levi to the team and the enthusiasm was high.

Losing Michael and Cam with serious injuries before the season started and then losing Kai in the first trial game was tough but we were lucky enough to have Max join the team prior to the season starting and then Jerome had us thinking we had the numbers.

Unfortunately, the injuries kept stacking up with Cam ruled out for the season, Charbel requiring knee surgery ending his season, Kai and Michael out for big chunks of the year along with Dion, Levi, Kyle, Jett and Ryan all missing games through injury. This was tough for the boys to overcome, and we played with the bare minimum or short for many games.

Even with so many players missing at training and games the boys showed a lot of heart putting a few wins on the board and were very unlucky not to take the win at Baulkham Hills with only 9 players.

The boys did play some good footy this year, it was pleasing to see some of the things we worked on at training come to fruition in the games and the defensive effort to back each other up and defend our line getting stronger every week. No matter how the game was going the boys gained the resolve to play for the full 50 minutes and showed this at the back end of the year.

Thanks to Jono, Dale and Craig for all your efforts at training and games and a huge thanks to Rox for taking on the hardest job for the team and everything you did to make sure we got on the field every week.

To the boys, I hope you all return next year. Despite missing the semi's there is a heap of potential in this team, you are a much better team than the results this year show and I hope you all had fun and enjoyed your footy.

Congratulations to all the boys who made the Bulldogs Development Squads and trials, it was your efforts during the year that got you selected.

Finally, thanks to all of our parents, this team has been lucky to always have a great group of parents supporting their kids and it was great to see and hear this from the bench this year.





### MILPERRA COLTS U/14's 2023







Back Row: George Kupu, William Elagha, Kai Summerland, Ashton Macdonald, Cameron Beynon.
Middle Row: Roxanne Macdonald (Manager), Craig Lawrence (Coach) Soulja Price, Jerome Taanoa, Ryan Hogan, Charbel Habib, Tristan Moubarak, Max Whalan,
Craig Chegwidden (Trainer) Dale Hogan (Trainer) Jon Macdonald (Trainer)
Front Row: Kyle Ebbs, Michael Condoluci, Jett Chegwidden, Levi Athota, Rhythm Taria, Dion Nocevski, Flynn Lovett.
Absent: Aiden Lawrence.



### **Best and Fairest**



Ashton Macdonald

Ash was our captain this year and led by example every week. He is an absolute competitor in every sense and leaves nothing in the tank every week. Ash has a great kicking game landing a few 40/20's when we needed them this year and created many of our tries with some crisp passes and great line breaks. Ash was our leading point scorer this year, but it was his defensive efforts that really stood out. Chatting with the Ref might need some work. Well Done Ash!

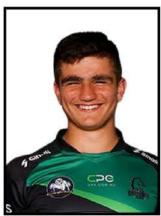
### Runner Up



**Rhythm Taria** 

Rhythm has always been great in defence and this year was no different. Rarely a missed tackle and always a second effort if needed Rhythm was tireless in defence this year and really pushed himself to slow down and control the play the ball. Fearless in attack he always put his hand up to take the tough carries and ran some really good lines. Rhythm has a great attitude and the nicest boots in the team.

### Coach's Award



William Elagha

Billy had a great year this year culminating in man of the match awards in our last two games. Weather at training or game day you know you are going to get 100% effort. Playing in the forwards Billy never takes a backward step and was Mr Reliable in the middle of the park this year with strong defence and solid carries especially when coming out of our own end. Well done Billy, it would be impossible to put in any more effort than you did this year!

### Most Improved



Tristan Moubarak

Tristan is new to the team this year and was thrown straight in the deep end at fullback. What he lacks in size he certainly makes up in heart pulling off some great try saving tackles even if a couple were slightly high. Always vocal and going a thousand miles an hour Tristan is a great addition to the team who really put in the effort to learn at training and improved every area of his game. Just remember eyes forward when running the ball.



### Grant Bolling's **UNDER 14 GIRLS COACH'S REPORT**

2023 was our first year together as a team which consisted of girls that had played before and girls that are new to the game.

Getting put in first division was always going to make this hard on us but the girls kept showing up and doing their best each week.

Unfortunately, we played short most weeks and only came away with a couple of wins during the year which was a great achievement for them.

Hopefully everyone comes back next year to give it another shot.

### MILPERRA COLTS U/14 GIRLS 2023







Back Row: Ruby Seitula, Shiloh Fepuleai, Lauren Fowler, Amelia Fisher Middle Row: Nick Kisina (Trainer), Belinda Brown (Manager), Amelyah Afaeki, Ruby Parker, Ruby Lane, Najeida Fong, Gracie Radisic, Isabeau Kiri, Grant Bolling (Trainer), Scott Lane (Coach)

Front Row: Soraya Beyrouthy, Tilly Fuz, Alvy Tea Taanoa, Tayah Leo, Kayla Soriano, Siyanah Al Maaz, Layla Kidwell Absent: Marlee Foai-Sakaria



### **Best and Fairest**



Isabeau Kiri

### **Runner Up**



**Ruby Lane** 

### Coach's Award



Alvy Tea Taanoa

### Most Improved



Amelyah Afeaki











## Kevin Chambers' UNDER 15 COACH'S REPORT

The Footy Gods were not kind to us this season. The team must have run under a few ladders in the preseason or broke a few mirrors in the change sheds. Bankstown Hospital is looking at opening a Special ward for our players. We started all but I game short of players, often with only 10 or 11. Miraculously we were still able to win 6 games, leading in all but 2 of our matches. The opposition would bring on their replacements and fatigue would do the rest. It would have been easy for the players to throw the towel in but they never gave up - Resilience.

I was always challenging the players not only to give everything that they had but to find something extra for the missing players. And the players continued to rise and meet that challenge. I am extremely proud of the players for their attitude and their effort. Many players had their strongest season and four players made the 15s Bulldogs Development: Rhys Del Grande, Lucas Crowley, Chris Inatea and Hadi Abou Chaz.

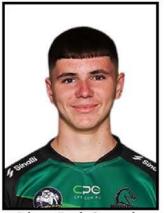
Thank you to all of our generous supporters who contributed to our Fundraising Efforts. This season we had a Jersey Presentation/Team Dinner, we attended Origin 3 and destroyed an All you can Eat Buffet, Enjoyed an End of Season Dinner after our last game and will be spending three days in Bondi for our End of Season Trip. The bonds between these players continue to develop and grow and I am looking for another successful season next year.

Thank you to Kerry for all the work and time you have put in. Thank you also to Joe and Terri for your help. It wouldn't be possible without your help.





### **Best and Fairest**



**Rhys Del-Grande** 

### Runner Up



**Lucas Crowley** 

### Coach's Award



**Christopher Inatea** 

### Most Improved



**Donte Lim** 

### MILPERRA COLTS U/15's 2023





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Back Row: Issa Derbas, Donte Lim, Rhys Del-Grande
Middle Row: Joe Derbas (Trainer), Kerry Del-Grande (Manager), Hadi Abou Chaz, George Tuimaseve, Peter Y, Ali Khallouf, Jarai Faioso, Terii Taia (Trainer),
Kevin Chambers (Coach)
Front Row: Mohamed Habak, Alexander Ganeme, Lucas Crowley, Peter Ah Poe, Christopher Inatea, Jayden Speechley

Absent: Izaya Daher



## Colin Walsh's UNDER 16 COACH'S REPORT

At the start of the year we had around 7-8 players attend our first month of training sessions, disappointing discussions were being had between parents and players to see where we would need to place the current players at other clubs due to limited numbers.

Staff never gave and up and remained positive throughout our training sessions, during the next month we had players coming through the gates to join our team.

After a nervous 8 weeks we grew from limited numbers to a team of 19 with a mixture of long term club players returning, players from other clubs & players that were new to the club and game.

Our focus was upskilling & educating new players, accelerating the developing of current players along with a huge focus on game knowledge for the entire squad.

At each training session players worked hard on individual & team improvement which showed increased performances in games throughout the season which proved it was a huge reward for the team to finish second on the ladder.

We certainly played high intensity, skilful football in our first semi-final v Wentworthville Magpies but unfortunately we let them back into the game on a few occasions which cost us in the end.

The biggest disappointment was our second semi-final v Cabramatta dealing with sickness & injuries. We struggled throughout the game with intensity, team structure & patience, we pushed them hard all game but fell short at the back end of the game.

It really hurt to get beat in both semi-finals as the boys did not deserve those results due to the huge improvement in the team. The team certainly looked good to watch, congratulations boys on a job well done!!

Off field staff are critical in complimenting the making of a good team so I would like to say a huge thank you to Col, Bronwyn, Adam along with Matt and Dave who filled in when required with the Blue shirt

Special mention also goes to all the parents who got the kids to training, games and supporting the entire team

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### **Best and Fairest**



James Lanyon

Being a year young handled the age up with ease. Come across for his first year at Milperra and fitted straight in with the boys.

Very elusive with a great step and has a huge ability to beat a player with the ball in hand along with being very solid in defence.

Once James realises how good he can be he will go to another level.

### Runner Up



Noah Morse

Tough hard worker who never gave up and led from the front, always put in for the team each and every week.

Always wants to learn and better himself as a player.

A player that players want to play with.

### Coach's Award



Cooper Ward

Its been a few years since I have seen Cooper enjoy his footy and regain his passion for the game

Coopers enthusiasm and focus at training went to another level

His game knowledge and skill level certainly showed in games.

He was co-captain this year and certainly showed the quality of a leader at training and in games.

### Most Improved



Ryan Skinner

I believe Ryan having his second year with the boys certainly made him feel more comfortable

His game awareness and understanding of the game improved so much.

Ryan has a great ability to learn what his role is from the coach and apply it on the field.

Its great to coach player who wants to learn and see him keep improving.

















### MILPERRA COLTS U/16's 2023







Back Row: Ryan Skinner, Daunte Barr
Third Row: Aydin Turk, Kardin Nguyen, Kaden McClelland, Adam El Kerdi, Cooper Ward
Second Row: Colin Walsh (Coach), Adam Skinner (Trainer), Adam Bazarbachi, Shadi Eid, Curtis Gyamfi Jr, Kobi Brasch, Ahmad Jaafar, James Lanyon, Bronwen Skinner (Manager), Barry Ward (Coach)
Front Row: Edan Wallace, Isaac Lanyon, Lucas Pengue, Noah Morse, Yousef Behbahany, Ethan Renton
Absent: Xander Walsh



## David Prasad's UNDER 16 GIRLS COACH'S REPORT

### Celebrating a Year of Growth

As we bid farewell to an unforgettable year with the Milperra Colts, we reflect on a season marked by inspiring moments, team spirit, and substantial growth. Before we look to rugby league's future, we extend heartfelt gratitude.

### Gratitude to Our Exceptional Team

First, we thank our exceptional players. Your dedication, passion, and talent drove our achievements this year. Your hard work and commitment did not go unnoticed. Special thanks to Captains Olivia and Amirah for exemplary leadership on and off the field.

To parents and families, your unwavering support, from drop-offs to sideline cheers, played a pivotal role. Your encouragement meant the world.

Heartfelt thanks to dedicated trainers Larnz and Jason, whose tireless efforts and expertise contributed significantly.

Acknowledgment goes to Kate, our "Blue Shirt," and Manager Connie, for meticulous organization ensuring readiness on game days.

### A Memorable Season

Coaching Milperra Colts Girls 16s was a delight. This team boasts remarkable talent and gifted athletes, but what sets you apart is incredible personalities and teamwork. While we may not have reached the finals this season, remember that success is measured by more than just wins and losses. As coach, witnessing your growth was immensely rewarding. I saw you apply training skills on the field and the joy when it paid off.

#### Life Lessons

This year, we emphasized valuable life lessons, particularly about winning and losing. Stay focused and humble in victories, remain resolute and encouraged in defeats. Life doesn't always go as planned; what counts is controlling our response and moving forward.

#### A Promising Tomorrow

Recognize rugby league's evolution, especially for women. I'm excited about the next 2 to 3 years and believe many of you will grace TV screens as professional athletes. The potential within this team knows no bounds, and greatness awaits each one.

In conclusion, this year has been extraordinary. Thank you for dedication, passion, and unity. It's been an honour to be your coach, and we eagerly anticipate the remarkable future. Keep striving for greatness, on and off the field, because the best is yet to come.



#### **Best and Fairest**



Aliahana Fuimaono

Aliahana, our Best & Fairest, dominates in attack and defence. Her bone-crushing tackles resonate from the sidelines. She's a force to be reckoned with, blending speed, agility, and a natural gift for ball running. Her infectious energy and year-round excellence, consistency make her the standout player of the year!

### Runner Up



**Trinity Tauaneai** 

Trinity, our Best & Fairest Runner Up, was a standout all year, holding the middle with her incredible defence and attack. She's made countless line breaks, impressing everyone. As a Lock forward, she played full minutes, showcasing her ball skills and footy smarts. Her unwavering consistency, even in tough games, was truly remarkable.

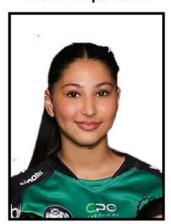
### Coach's Award



Amirah El-Abdallah

Amirah, Coaches Award winner, with her unwavering commitment and enthusiasm. She led the charge in the halves, working harmoniously with Olivia our cocaptain. Amirah's dedication extended beyond the field; she embraced hard work and innovation, always with a bright smile and a positive attitude. A true team player always keen to include others and help where possible.

### Most Improved



Nasrine Chabbia

One noticeable player who I believe improved the most this year in her game is Nasrine. Our Most Improved player showcased incredible growth this year. Her confidence blossomed. and she mastered oneon-one tackles while putting her hand up to run the ball when needed. With potential to grow, Nasrine's progress is truly inspiring. Keep at it Nasrine!













### MILPERRA COLTS U/16 GIRLS GOLD 2023







Back Row: David Prasad (Coach), TeAira Rehutai, Mariah Allouch, Trinity Tauaneai, Sonaiva Kini-Samuelu, Ruby Wilhelmus, Aukilani Vaalele (Trainer)
Middle Row: Connie Prasad (Manager), Olivia Vaalele, Selu Teaupa, Paige Tauaneai, Tehillah Prasad, Makayla Towerton, Nasrine Chabbia, Katie Lawrence (Trainer)
Front Row: Jana El Masri, Iesha El Masri, Arijana Zammit-Kaipo, Jayde Freeman, Ranya El Masri, Amirah El-Abdallah.
Absent: Abbey Fuz, Aliahana Fuimaono, Caliche Toki-Rimene, Norah El Bikai, Tejahla-Jane Daniels-Maifea



## Warren Panapa's UNDER 18 GIRLS COACH'S REPORT

Another great year for this team just falling short in the Semifinals, but in saying that they did a great job to get there due to the fact we had a lot of rep players out at the start of the comp and during the year.

Injuries played a big part in some of our games sometimes playing with 10 players. To say I am proud of these girls would be an understatement, coaching them was a privilege and a pleasure and I am looking forward to seeing a lot of these girls in the NRLW in the next couple of years.

Good luck girls and hopefully I see you all next season.

### MILPERRA COLTS U/18 GIRLS 2023







Back Row: Audrey Nadaya-Harb, Aaliyah Nikua, Savannah Talau & Pauline Suli-Ruka Middle Row: Valentina Harrison (Manager), Grace Leiataua , Tarlia Livingstone, Hannah Makira, Ambryn Murphy-Haua , Jasmine Lane, Ofa-He-Mooni Heitonga, Warren Panapa (Coach)

Front Row: Dalia Nabhan, Waimarie Martin, Maria-Rose Afeaki, Faustina Akeje, Jazmyn Panapa & Ella Rose Wight Absent: Kellie Rautahi-Randell, Tameisha Saunders-Munro, Manilita Takaputolo, John Panapa (Trainer), Chrystal Moffat (Trainer)

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#### **Best and Fairest**



Pauline Suli-Ruka

### Runner Up



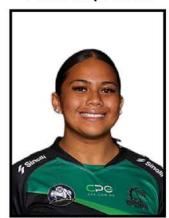
Jasmine Lane

### Coach's Award



Ambryn Murphy-Haua

### Most Improved



Ofa-He-Mooni HEITONGA

This girl thoroughly deserves this award although it was pretty close towards the end of season. A tough second rower who wouldn't look out of place in the centres and defends well. Signed by Canterbury Bulldogs and also played for Sydney Gold and NSW City this year, looking forward to seeing what the future holds for Lene but I'm sure she will be playing NRWL versus soon. Congratulations Pauline on an awesome season good luck at the Dogs

One tough country girl who sat out last season with an ACL injury but worked hard to get back to playing for Milperra and the Bulldogs. Her work ethic is second to none always the first at training and last to leave which is why she was Captain of our team this season. Missed Jasmine in the finals because of a shoulder injury which is a massive loss for our squad considering she leads from the front and is one of the most feared defensive players in the competition. Good luck with your shout and the Bulldogs.

Another Bulldogs representative who is a senior member of this team and it showed on and off the field. One of the best halves in the game not just because of her playing ability but also because of her organisation of the players around her. Ambryn would speak to the team before, after and during the game which made my job a lot easier. Good luck with the Bulldogs and also NSW Māoris

Ofa has been with the Colts for a few seasons now and I have seen her grow as a person and in confidence. Ofa is one of the youngest girls in this team but plays up front as our Prop. In seasons past Ofa would struggle to play a full game but this season her fitness levels were awesome and played quite a few full games when asked of her. Ofa's dedication to training is what got her into the Lisa Fiaola Bulldogs team at the beginning of the season and is why she is getting this award. Keep going hard Ofa great season this year.











## Timothy Rixon's UNDER 18 COACH'S REPORT

Looking at 2023, it was a journey filled with unexpected challenges and remarkable achievements. With no team and only two training sessions on the eve of the competition, it's astonishing to realize how far we've come. If someone had told us then that we would make it to the grand final we might have laughed, but we did!

The success is a testament to the character and resilience of every player. Week in, week out, we faced adversity and overcame it together. The most remarkable aspect of our journey was the constant change in our lineup. Injuries and representative commitments meant that we had a different team and spine practically every week. Despite this, our players adapted, showing true dedication.

I'm privileged to have had the opportunity to coach these exceptional young men. They proved themselves as outstanding footballers and as outstanding individuals. Their conduct on and off the field was a credit to the values instilled in them by their parents. It was a pleasure to watch them grow as athletes and as responsible and respectful young men.

I'd like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Committee, with a special mention to Dave and Katie, for their unwavering support throughout the season. The boys are immensely grateful for your dedication to the team's success.

To Timmy, Shady and Sal your support was indispensable. Without you guys, this team wouldn't exist. Your contributions are invaluable and deeply appreciated.

Lastly, to the boys, I want to express my gratitude. Words cannot adequately capture the memories we've created together and the lessons we've learned. As this chapter of your rugby league journey comes to a close, I wish each of you success in your future endeavours. I'm not saddened by the end, I'm overjoyed that it happened. The lessons we've shared and the time we've spent together will be cherished forever. I am super proud of every one of you.

As we turn the page on this season, let us carry forward the spirit of resilience, teamwork, and camaraderie that defined our journey. Here's to more success in the future.



### **Best and Fairest**



Sione Lolohea

Exceptional performance in

the first half of the season.

Demonstrated unwavering

commitment by playing

second half. Consistent

dedication to the team.

presence at every training

Injury may have hampered

his season, but his impact

through injury in the

session, showcasing

was undeniable.

Runner Up



Tyrus Siana Salanoa

Overcame a late start to the season with remarkable performances. Displayed eye-catching skills and earned multiple "Man of the Match" honors.

Possesses incredible talent and a promising future in the game. A pleasure to coach, and his potential is boundless had he played the full season.

### Coach's Award



Yousef El Masri

Entered the team as an unknown but quickly proved his commitment. Exemplified the team's values and spirit.

Consistently improved week after week, showcasing remarkable growth. A source of pride for the coaching staff, both as a player and as a person.

### Most Improved



Luciano Padovano

Luciano has quickly risen through the ranks and established himself as the team's most improved player.

With his dedication, determination, and passion for the game, he's become a force to be reckoned with on the field.

He has undergone a remarkable transformation, evolving into a versatile player capable of making crucial tackles, breaking through defensive lines, and contributing to scoring opportunities.













Front row: Jet Le, Daniel Christodoulou, Tyrus Siana Salanoa, Massimo Mari, Michael Tupou

Second Row: Christian Lopez, Abdoulaye Bah, Archie Riley, Tareq Ismail

Third Row: Luciano Padovano, Ali Hammoud, Marcus Sahyoun, Milad El Azar, Saki Qoro

Fourth Row: Sosaia Kaufusi, Peter Assaf, Kevin Wehbe, Yousef El Masri

Fifth Row: David Harrigan (President), Nicholas Ferreira, Sione Lolohea, Tim Rixon (Coach)

Sixth Row: Matthew Walshe (Trainer), Craig Lawrence (Trainer), Anthony Sahyoun (Coach), Saili Seve (Trainer)

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## Katie Lawrence's OPEN WOMENS COACH'S REPORT

Representative duties disrupted the start to our season meaning we did not field a team until round 5. We knew we had some work to do if we were going to fight our way into finals contention, but I was confident that we had just the players to do it.

In the end it came down to the very last round and our for and against count to scrape through in 6th place. In the elimination final we came up against 3rd placed St Clair, a strong performance saw us move through to the qualifying final. Facing the minor premiers Redfern AllBlacks at Redfern Oval for a spot in the grand final was for me our game of the year. Being the underdogs, we proved we should never have been written off and when the final whistle blew we'd held on for the win 26-22 and secured our spot in the Grand Final vs Wentworthville. A slow first half had us 22 – 0 down at the break, we fought back hard in the second half and with the clock against us unfortunately went down 22-18.

Considering our start to the season and the injuries suffered by some of our best it was a massive achievement in making the grand final and I am so proud of all of you!

I'd love to be able to write about each and every one of this awesome group, unfortunately I'm on a word limit so just some special mentions...

Boss Kapua – I cannot express how proud and excited I was when Boss and her mum called on the Friday before our qualifying final to let me know that she had just been signed by Parramatta in the NRLW. A huge loss for us, but an awesome achievement and the start of what I know will be a long and successful career.

Steph – Daunting is the way I would have felt coming in to such an experienced team having never played before. You took it all in your stride, bouncing back up with a smile whenever you got knocked down.

Pril – We are so honoured you chose to play with us this year at the Colts and wish you and Renee all the best in retirement.

Thank you to our U18's players Ambryn, Wai, Bella, Pauline, Audrey, Faustina, Hannah and Tameisha who played up throughout the season to ensure we could get on the field. We couldn't have done it without you.

Last but not least, thank you Mick (the real coach), Craig, Renee, Pam, Elite Edge Physios's, Sandy and all the wonderful club staff that stepped in and helped out when needed.



### **Best and Fairest**



Tatiana Finua

Tatiana's contributions were pivotal in our team's successes this season. Her impressive performance statistics, unmatched work ethic, and undeniable influence on the field made her our Best and Fairest. Tati embodies the qualities and values both on and off the field that make any footballer worthy.

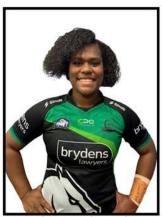
### Runner Up



Chelsea Makira

Chelsea, our Captain has an unparalleled influence on the field. In every game, her presence impacted the outcome of the game. Chels possesses an innate ability to elevate the performance of those around her and her exceptional skills, leadership and strategies make her the player others look up to and want to emulate.

### Coach's Award



Ilisapeci Bari

Illi is a force to be reckoned with! She consistently goes above and beyond, delivering stellar performances week in, week out, has an unwavering commitment to learning and bettering her game and a willingness to share what she knows with her peers.

### Most Improved



**Brooke Tauaneai** 

Voted by the players in our team, Brooke is truly worthy of our teams' adulation. As one of the eldest in the squad at just 23 she stepped up as a leader, always working hard, never taking a backward step and never waivering in her perseverance.

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Front row: Sarahcen Oliver, Rease Casey, Waimarie Martin, Charlotte Eather, Priscilla Younes, Tarli Dennis Second Row: Chelsea MAKIRA (Captain), Pauline Suli-Ruka, Stephanie Penteado, Alesha Foster, Brooke Tauaneai Third Row: Bella McEachern, Audrey Nadaya-Harb, Ilisapeci Bari, Ambryn Murphy-Haua Fourth Row: Litia Fusi, Abigayle Sekitoga, Tatiana Finua Fifth Row: Renee Target-Trainer, Katie Lawrence (Coach), Latisha Smythe, Pamela Dennis (Manager) Back Row: Michael Stuart (Trainer), Craig Lawrence (Trainer) Absent: Jessica Ashcroft and Boss Kapua



# Executive **COMMITTEE**

Year	President	Vice President	Secretar y	Treasurer
1970	J.Whitton	L.O'Brien	K.Isaacs	R.Underwood
1971	J.Whitton	R.Underwood	1.Lucas	L.O'Brien
1972	D.Ross	D.Prout	J.Lucas	G.Spicer
1973	D.Ross	D.Prout	K.Horner	L.O'Brien
1974	D.Ross	D.Prout	K.Horner	L.O'Brien
1975	D.Ross	D.Prout	K.Horner	L.O'Brien
1976	D.Ross	D.Prout	K.Horner	L.O'Brien
1977	D.Prout	W.Richardson	K.Horner	R.McDermott
1978	L.O'Brien	D.Prout	K.Horner	R.Ackland
1979	J.Whitton	L.O'Brien	K.Horner	M.D'arcy
1980	J.Whitton	L.O'Brien	K.Horner	J.Potter
1981	J.Whitton	L.O'Brien	K.Horner	R.Elvin
1982	B.Harris	V.Vella	K.Horner	R.Elvin
1983	K.Doyle	D.Prout	K.Horner	R.Elvin
1984	K.Doyle	D.Prout	G.McElroy	N.Kerr
1985	K.Doyle	D.Prout	G.McElroy	N.Kerr
1986	K.Doyle/K.Horner	N.Johnson	J.Har vey	N.Kerr
1987	K.Horner	N.Johnson	J.Har vey	N.Kerr
1988	K.Horner	B.Hare	K.Horner	N.Kerr
1989	B.Hare	N.Sparks	P.Foley	N.Kerr
1990	B.Hare	N.Sparks	P.Foley	N.Kerr
1991	J.Har vey	N.Sparks	P.Foley	N.Kerr
1992	J.Har vey	N.Sparks	P.Foley	N.Kerr
1993	J.Har vey	J.Irwin	P.Foley	N.Kerr
1994	P.Williams	F.Hagan	N.Kerr	S.Small
1995	P.Williams/F.Hagan	F.Hagan/L.Hayden	S.Small	J.Molloy
1996	F.Hagan	J.Harvey	S.Small	B.Cranney
1997	F.Hagan	J.Harvey	S.Small	B.Cranney
1998	F.Hagan	j.marvey	W.Nicholas	B.Cranney
1999	F.Hagan		W.Nicholas/G.Davis	B.Cranney
2000	F.Hagan		W.Nicholas/G.Davis	B.Cranney/S.Davis
2001	F.Hagan	G.Davis	W.Nicholas/M.Morley	S.Davis
2002	F.Hagan	G.Davis	W.Nicholas/S.Cartwright	S.Davis/K.Smith
2002	F.Hagan	G.Davis	S.Cartwright	S.Davis
2004	F.Hagan	G.Davis	J.Marsh	K.Smith
2005	F.Hagan	G.Davis	J.Marsh	K.Smith
2006	F.Hagan	A.Simpson	G.Davis	M.Shepherd
2007	F.Hagan	A.Simpson	A.Tsikrikas	N.Bennett
2008	F.Hagan	S.Pritchard	A.Tsikrikas	N.Bennett
2009	F.Hagan	S.Pritchard	A.Tsikrikas	M.Shepherd
2010	F.Hagan	S.Pritchard	D.Okunbor	K.Smith
2011	F.Hagan	S.Pritchard	D.Okunbor	G.Driver
2012	G.Bolling	S.Dominish	D.Okunbor	G.Driver
2013	G.Bolling	S.Dominish	D.Okunbor	M.Walshe
2014	G.Bolling	S.Dominish	D.Okunbor	M.Walshe
2015	G.Bolling	S.Dominish	D.Springall	M.Walshe
2016	G.Bolling	D.Harrigan	D.Springall	M.Walshe
2017	G.Bolling	D.Harrigan	D.Springall	M.Walshe
2018	G.Bolling	D.Harrigan	D.Springall	M.Walshe
2019	G.Bolling	B.Ward	D.Harrigan	T.Bombaci
2019	G.Bolling	B.Ward	D.Harrigan	T.Bombaci
2020	G.Bolling	B.Ward	D.Harrigan	T.Bombaci
2021	G.Bolling	B.Ward/D.Harrigan	D.Harrigan/S.Ross	T.Bombaci
2022	G.Bolling	D.Harrigan	S.Ross	T.Bombaci
2023	D.Harrigan	K. Lawrence	S.Ross	T.Bombaci
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