



THURSDAY 21 JULY

TERM 3 WEEK 1



Welcome back to Term 3 of Cranbrook Rugby. The holidays saw plenty of Cranbrook rugby take place which started with another successful rugby camp in Week 1, Josh Kemeny represent NSW at the National Schools Championships, Jude Gibbs and Tasman Smith compete for Southern Zone in the regional U/15 Regional Championships (Jude also got selected for Sydney U15) and wins for our 1st XV and 16A against Sydney Grammar.

We are also pleased to advise that during the 1st XV and 2nd XV match this Saturday against St Aloysius we will be supporting Holdsworth Community and Services.

Holdsworth provides services to people with disabilities and the elderly in Sydney's communities. Please make the volunteers welcome and give generously as they move amongst the crowd with their Holdsworth buckets.

Given the short preparation team lists are not included in this Edition of *Running Lines* and will instead be communicated to boys at training and/or via email.

Also attached to the *Running Lines* email is an invitation to our End of Season Presentation. Like previous years, it will be held at Dangar so please book as soon as possible to secure your tickets to what is always a very well attended event.

Luke Bower – Head of Rugby

Australian Schools Championships – Josh Kemeny

During the holidays Cranbrook's Captain of Rugby Josh Kemeny was selected to represent NSW Schoolboys 1st XV at the Australian Schools Championships at Riverview.

This involved a week of training followed by a live in tournament at Riverview which comprised four games over six days.



Josh was selected at Number 6 for NSW 1 and started the first fixture against ACT. In a closely fought contest, NSW got up in the final minutes of play to record a narrow victory.

The second game of the week saw NSW get out to a quick 21 – 0 lead against Combined States (a team made up of NSW, QLD and VIC players who did not make their state sides). Combined States finished the game strongly but did not do enough to overtake NSW.



Game three was played in horrendous conditions as NSW1 faced QLD2 with a win guaranteeing NSW1 a spot in the final. In a game only for the purists NSW 1 dominated the contest in all areas and came away with a 12-0 victory thanks to the hard work of Josh and others in the forward pack. The final was played against NSW2 who progressed from the other half of the draw.





Josh again started in the National Final but despite his best efforts NSW 2 were quick out of the blocks and raced to a 17-0 lead. NSW1 pegged a try back shortly after to bring the score to 17-5 before Josh suffered a knee injury which led to him being replaced at halftime.

Unfortunately, Josh was not able to return and will be sidelined for the rest of the season. His NSW1 team mates could not make any further indents into the score with NSW2 running out 22-5 winners.



It was a great achievement and honour for Josh to represent his state and we look forward to seeing him continue his promising career in the years ahead.



Holdsworth Community Centre

This Saturday sees Cranbrook supporting the Holdsworth Community Centre during our fixtures against St Aloysius' College.

Holdsworth Community Ltd is a not-for-profit company and a registered charity. We are part of your community and our aim is to enhance the quality of life of individuals, families and the community through the provision of quality services. We offer a range of programs that are responsive to the identified need of all residents living within the Woollahra local government area and surrounding suburbs, especially those disadvantaged by age, income, disability or social isolation, and to families with young children. In addition, our dementia, disability and carer support programs are funded for residents of the five Eastern Sydney local government areas (Woollahra, Botany, Randwick, City of Sydney and Waverley). We are committed to excellence in:

- *Reliable community Service*
- *Quality and continuous improvement*
- *Inclusive and non discriminatory team work*
- *Making decisions transparently to ensure accountability and financial stability*
- *Providing a safe, caring environment built on trust*
- *Professional and respectful interactions*

Cranbrook students will be coming around asking for donations during Saturday's fixtures. Please give generously.

Match Reports – Friday 15 July v Sydney Grammar

1st XV 35:5 Win

On the 15th of July, the Cranbrook First XV played Grammar in our annual fixture at Hordern. Grammar came out of the blocks firing with early possession and plenty of phases. They were on the attack, and looking quite ominous with ball in hand, until Captain Darcy Searl pilfered the ball and in the same act, ran 70 metres to score a brilliant individual try.

Cranbrook then took control, placing endless pressure on the Grammar defence, until Darcy Searl put the ball under his arm and charged for the line to score his second try and put Cranbrook 14 points ahead. And Searl wasn't finished, completing his hat-trick after a well-executed backline move, saw him dive over the line in the corner. Cranbrook were in control but due to an error off the kickoff, Grammar were able to build together phases and score in the corner to make the half time score 21-5.

As the second half began, and as changes had been made to both sides, Cranbrook began to apply

the same pressure they applied in the first half. But costly mistakes never allowed them to break away from the Grammar side who were defending well. Both sides were struggling to hold onto possession until another well-constructed backline move and great support play led to Tom Lamens scoring under the posts. Cranbrook then scored their last try off another set piece move that left the final score at 35-5. Both sides will take many positives out of the game and things to work on as they look toward upcoming fixtures in their CAS and GPS competitions. *Finnbar Stenmark*

16A 17:0 Win

The game against Sydney Grammar was a great morale boost for the team with every boy putting in immense amounts of effort to ensure a win. It started off slow with a nil all first half, then finished with a dominating second half with Konrad Kluck, Finn Parker and Claude Gray all scoring tries. There were plenty of standout performances in both the backs and forwards, examples being Luca Donald adapting to a new position (wing) and Andrew Glastras making metres in all his hit ups. We still need to work on touching up certain areas of play but overall it was a fantastic effort from all the boys. *Ben Ritchie*

Cranbrook Vintage Rugby Balls

Thanks to the Cranbrook Rugby Club, Limited Edition Cranbrook Vintage Rugby balls (picture below) are available to be purchased. These balls are made from leather and would make a great keepsake for years to come. They may be purchased through the two Try Booking links below.

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Fixtures Saturday 23 July

1st	St Aloysius	Hordern	3:15
2nd	St Aloysius	Hordern	2:00
3rd	St Aloysius	Hordern	1:00
4th	St Aloysius	Hordern	12:00
16A	St Aloysius	Hordern	11:00
16B	St Aloysius	Hordern	10:00
16C	St Josephs F	Hordern	9:00
15A	St Aloysius	College Oval	11:00
15B	St Aloysius	College Oval	10:00
15C	Bye	Bye	Bye
14A	St Aloysius	College Oval	9:00
14B	St Aloysius	College Oval	8:00
13A	St Aloysius	Woollahra 3	11:00
13B	St Aloysius	Woollahra 3	10:00
13C	Oakhill D	Woollahra 3	9:00
13D	Bye	Bye	Bye
12A	Newington Wyvern	Johnson Oval	8:45
12B	Newington Wyvern	Johnson Oval	8:00
11A	Scots	Christensen 1	9:30
11B	Scots	Christensen 1	8:45
10A	Mosman	Balmoral East	8:45
10B	Mosman	Balmoral East	8:00
10C	7s	TBC	TBC
9A	Scots	Kirkland Oval	8:45
9B	Scots	Kirkland Oval	8:00



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