



NAPIER OLD-BOYS MARIST RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT

for presentation at the

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AGENDA

1. Welcome by Chairman
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 19th Annual General Meeting held on Monday 8th December 2008
4. Receipt and Adoption of Annual Report
5. Receipt and Adoption of the Annual Financial Statements
6. Elections:
 - (a) Patron (b) President (c) Vice Presidents
 - (d) Chaplains (e) Chairman (f) Directors (x 4)

As per the constitution two directors – Craig Riddiford and Mike O'Connor stand down. Both offer themselves for re-election.
7. Delegates to – HBRU, Napier Old Boys Association, St John's Old Boys Association, NZ Marist Rugby Federation.
8. General Business

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2009



What a mixed (rugby) bag for 2009. We had the highs and the lows, but then I guess so do most rugby clubs. And it was a sad – and flat – ending to a great Magpie season once again. Financially the times may have been a bit hard over the last 12 to 18 months, but the Club has kept pace with things very well. Each year I say how well the club is run,

but this year I really have to take my hat off to the Board of Directors for the sterling job they have done with and for the club in tough times. I think it is fair to say that the club has definitely not gone backwards at all in this period and that is purely due to the leadership and skills of the Board: Chairman Mike Smith, Director of Finance Craig Riddiford, Club Management Mike O'Connor, funding Bill Halpin, Rugby Terry Gittings and Administrator Sue Hatton. Thank you for guiding the club so successfully and for all the 'hard yards' that you have to make (it doesn't all just happen on the field).

And even in these times the Board are thinking ahead with the next project being the children's playground. Napier Old Boys Marist is not a stand-still kind of sports club!

On the sports field, the success of our Davmet Colts was the pinnacle of the year. Playing in the final of the first round only set them up with more determination than ever for success in the second round and to come away with the Pat Ryan Memorial Trophy was a mighty effort. This was not a team stacked with heaps of individual talent, but they played as a team and with plenty of 'ticker'.

The Tremains Premiers had a season of two-halves: a very ordinary first round was followed by a good Maddison round. Things nearly came unstuck once we lost all of our numbers to the Magpies, but this happens now and has to be factored in to any team structure. We were a little too thin on depth in some places after the Magpies left, but that is something to work on.

Well done to the Napier Sandblasting Premier Reserves for having the best season that I can remember them having (in ages) and making the second round semi's. It is a great platform for 2010 and we all hope the development will continue.

And last, but by no means least, the Sideline Bar Thirds: tough going boys, but the last couple of years were a tough act to follow and you certainly gave it plenty during the year. The joy of that win over Pirate was great to behold

and I seem to remember a similar celebration by our Thirds about three years ago after finally winning a game....and they went on to have a stellar couple of years. So stick with it and enjoy...both the rugby and the beers!

To those that assisted with coaching, team management, gear, physio, etc: you all put in long hours and we all greatly appreciate your efforts and commitment. From those you 'played' with, and from the club, thank you for your input throughout 2009.

As always, a huge thanks to Gary Leahy and his Junior Club administrators and coaches etc. I do realise the effort that goes into our club at this level and it is great to see all the green and blue colours out in force at the club on the Saturday mornings. At this level our numbers are holding very well and that is testament to the effort of the above named.

The inclusion of Marist Football has been a real boost for the club. It means the aftermatch numbers in the club, even when the rugby teams are away, are very good and this is healthy for both the 'feeling' of the club and the bar. It certainly impresses any visiting team and their supporters as well as enhancing the overall 'social' scene of the club.

To our sponsors: Thank you. You are too many to name in this report, but I do hope you feel that you are a part of our club.

Certainly we know how important you are to the success of our club – we just hope we convey that to you adequately.

I am certainly not going to forget Angela O'Connor and her hard-working bar team. You are there Saturday after Saturday and during the week as well, so thanks for your efforts in making the NOBM rugby club an enjoyable place to be.

Finally, a word of thanks to Eddie Wilson for his seemingly tireless work with club communications: Team Talk. Even when away in Mahia the information keeps coming out! Eddie 'retired' a season or two ago: Yeah, right!

Here's wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. I am much looking forward to a great rugby season in 2010 for Napier Old Boys Marist AND the Magpies.... I will even throw the All Blacks into this, but am much more concerned for the AB's in 2011!

*Gary J. Macdonald,
President.*



FINANCE REPORT 2009

Financial Performance

The 2009 financial statements show a net surplus after depreciation of \$861. Although this is minimal, the cash surplus was \$24,971. This is very similar to last year.

The major changes in income and expenses are as follows:

Positive

Increase in net bar revenue of \$15,500

Increase in Grants received of \$5,000

Increase in Sponsorships received of \$4,000

Negative

No Profit on Centenary Weekend of \$8,500

Decrease in Donations received of \$8,000

Increase in Rugby Expenses of \$5,500

No affiliated club fees of \$4,000

Bar Revenue

Gross bar sales have increased 17% on last year.

The gross profit margin has also increased slightly from 50% to 54%

Running costs have held steady.

Entertainment costs have decreased due to less band nights being held.

Grants

The board has focused on applying for grants that are more likely to be approved, such as playing gear and travel expenses this year and has had significantly fewer applications rejected.

The board will continue endeavoring to obtain as much funding as possible from this source in the coming years.

Sponsorships

Given the tough economic times our sponsors are enduring it was pleasing to see the amount of sponsorship received actually increase on last years figure. We would not be able to operate without the generous support of our sponsors and I would like to personally thank every one of them for the contribution they make to our club.

Centenary Weekend

This was a one off bonus last year. We are hopeful the Old Boy's centenary will be just as successful in 2010.

Donations

The substantial donation we receive annually from the Hawke's Bay Events Trust was 50% less than the amount received last year.

Rugby Expenses

The main increases in rugby expenses have been in playing gear and expenses as well as Donations, presentations and sponsorships. A summary of these costs is as follows:

This year we purchased a number of new sets of jerseys, socks and shorts for our teams.

We also purchased a new set of tracksuits for our premier team

We have also invested in gym memberships for our premier and other promising players.

We made a donation of \$1,673.50 to Bruce Millar, the police officer injured during the Napier siege earlier this year. Bruce is a member of the Marist Football Club and the donation equates to 50% of the bar turnover at his benefit function held at our clubrooms.

These have been offset by decreases in Traveling, Tournament and Prizegiving expenses. Last year we also had significant one off purchases of blazers and dress shirts that were not repeated this year.

Affiliated Club Fees

We only collect affiliation fees from our affiliate clubs if they are successful in obtaining grant funding to pay for them. We realise that funding is tightening up in this area and are not budgeting on receiving this income in the future. A large portion of the increase in bar revenue can be attributed to increased patronage from our affiliated clubs and we are comfortable with the financial contribution they make by this means.

Financial Position

The club still has a strong balance sheet with equity of \$549,000 and no borrowings.

Future building funds have increased by \$8,580 to \$76,580. This is made up of the \$5,000 donated by the Hawke's Bay Events Trust combined

with the interest earned on the deposited funds. Some of these funds will be used to assist with the cost of building the children's playground this summer, with the balance retained for future expansion plans.

The Peter Harris Trust Fund has been increased by \$5,000 pledged from last year's surplus.

Approximately \$30,000 of the \$67,000 operating cash will be used for deferred maintenance to the clubrooms including upgrades to bar and kitchen equipment. The balance will be used to fund operating expenses over the off season.

*Craig Riddiford
Director of Finance*

SPONSORS 2009

Team Sponsors

Tremain Real Estate Premiers
Napier Sandblasting Premier Development
Sideline Bar Thirds - Davmet Colts

Major Sponsors

Action Bins - BJ Mahony Shearing - Engineering Solutions
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DIRECTOR OF RUGBY'S REPORT 2009



This year we fielded 4 teams in the Hawke's Bay rugby competition with excellent results come the end of the second round. The Premier team travelled to Wanganui to compete in the annual Spillane tournament where we were successful in winning both games and taking out the second division Ham Cumming Cup which will put NOBM into the Spillane Cup division in 2010. Well done to the

boys who made the effort to travel and performed so well in the games.

The 2010 tournament will be hosted by Hastings Rugby & Sports, so all bodes well with the majority of players not having to travel away we should be able to field a near top side. There will also be the opportunity for some of our other teams to compete i.e. our Colts as there will be a special section for them. This tournament is always a good one to start off the season on as it sets the scene for team building in an intense competitive environment.

Tremain Real Estate Premier

The Nash cup round for NOBM is fair to say was a shocker finishing in 8th place –worst in 14 years! Not wanting to dwell on the negative the team regrouped and put in some sterling results in the Maddison trophy round and finished second giving us a home semi against Taradale. NOBM were in the hunt up to the last 20 minutes however with injuries and a small number of reserves annexed with a big Taradale pack we were well beaten. The club were fortunate to have five of our players selected for the well performed Hawkes Bay Magpies which was great, but it did leave a hole in some positions at the business end of the season and applied real pressure on the other members in the club to fill the gaps or play with injuries. I congratulate our Premier team for their efforts in 2009.

Napier Sandblasting Premier Development

Never easy to put this team together due to such a mix of young and old but hats off to the coaches and management of this side who took the team into the semi-finals of the Jack Swain cup against Havelock North. As the team is a feeder to the Premiers the format of the competition makes this easier with the both teams playing each week at the same venue. Their success in 2009 was aided by the return of many ex premier

players from not so many years ago which gave the younger guys the experience and got excellent results by the end of the season.

A special mention must be made of the 100% commitment they made to their after match presence and making the club a place where we should enjoy our team camaraderie. Something that other teams can take note of in 2010.

Sideline Bar Division Three

What a great bunch of guys! At the start of the season numbers were not that flash but with a lot of ringing around as you do in this grade Trevor Lilley and others got a team on the paddock every Saturday with mixed results. It must be noted that this team never defaulted a game and always strived to be competitive even when only having the bare fifteen. It is always a pleasure having the calibre of these mainly older and experienced rugby guys in our club who simply want to get out there enjoy a game of footy and partake in the NOBM ethos of club loyalty. And we look forward to seeing you all back next year.

Davmet Colts

Once again we had a good influx of young lads into the club this season and I'm not normally in the habit of singling out individuals but the efforts and know how of Chris Halas once again weaved his magic in getting these new and talented young players into the club.

The Colts were the best performed team in the club and their consistent performance throughout the Hawke's Bay Colts competition for 2009 resulting in their winning of the prestigious Pat Ryan Memorial Trophy against a very good Onga-Tiko side in the final.

These guys are our future and many of them showed they are more than capable to make the step up into Premier level – a number of them had a taste of this in the second round when the Premiers rank were depleted and you can expect those guys exiting the colt's grade to take on the challenge and achieve Premier honours in 2010 or go very close to it. This can only come about by getting themselves into a fitness and mental training regime over the summer months – so boys the opportunity is there for those who want to grab it. Feel rest assured the Colts in the coming year will once again be back on top as numbers are looking excellent already and this is a tribute as to how we as a club are seen at this level. Our results over the past decade have been right up their. Check out their results on the club website.

In closure:

It must go in print that without the commitment of all of our coaches and managers the year would not have been as successful - 2 teams in semi-finals and 1 team in the finals, a result we haven't had for some time.

A big thank you to you all as you don't get the recognition you deserve. To our players also a big thank you for the efforts over the past season, now lets get to training early in January and put the effort in to keep NOBM as the leaders in club rugby

Terry Gittings
Director of Rugby

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS 2009

Super 14 - Highlanders

Matt Berquist

Hawkes Bay Magpies

Matt Berquist

Sam Giddens

Mark Jackman

Michael Johnson

Dane Shelford

Hawkes Bay 'B'

Eugene Gerard

Brett Menefy

Bernard DuToit

Hawke's Bay XV

Cam Ward

Dan Joblin

New Zealand Marist XV

Dane Shelford

New Zealand Marist Colts

Brett Menefy

Spillane Tournament XV

Migao Luano

Napier Ross Shield

Regan Leahy

Jarrood McLeod

James McNatty

Armani Murtagh

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES - 2009

Davmet Colts

Best Back - Mark Collier. Best Forward - Hogan Green.
Best Team Man - Kurt Chambers; Most Promising - Tyson Waina.
Player of the Day Points Winner - Kurt Chambers.

Sideline Bar Division Three

Best Back - Chris O'connor. Best Forward - Pryor O'brien.
Best Team Man - Wade Colville-Smith. Most Promising - Rhod Curran
Player of the Day Points Winner - Pryor O'brien.

Napier Sandblasting Premier Development

Best Back - Aidan Callaghan. Best Forward - Shane Lui & Ben Eastwood.
Best Team Man - Dean Baxter. Most Improved - Bernard Du-Toit.
Player of the Day Points Winner - Aidan Callaghan

Tremain Premiers

Best Back - Sam Giddens. Best Forward - Pauvi Fatialofa;.
Best Team Man - Cameron Ward; Most Improved - Tom Sonia.
Player of the Day Points Winner - Brett Menefy.

Player Of The Day Points Awards

Premier - Brett Menefy. Premier Development - Aidan Callaghan
Div.3 - Pryor O'Brien. Colts - Kurt Chambers.

The overall winner that was drawn from these four players was
Colts player Kurt Chambers who received a \$500 "Hunting &
Fishing" voucher, supplied courtesy of Engineering Solutions & PEPS
Ltd. The remaining three each received an \$80 hospitality
voucher courtesy of Shed 2's Caution Restaurant.

Major Club Awards

Club Supporter of the Year
Peter Harris Memorial Cup - Tara Miringaorangi
Best Club Member
Blair Furlong Cup - Brent Clements
Best Club Spirited Player of the Year
Ian MacRae Cup - Brett Menefy

2009 Sportsman Of The Year

KR Tremain Memorial Cup - Sam Giddens

NAPIER OLD BOYS MARIST RUGBY CLUB



DAVNET COLTS - WINNERS OF PAT RYAN MEMORIAL TROPHY 2009

Back Row - Terry Gittings (Director Of Rugby), Chris Parore, Adam Whitehead, Jarrod Madden, Peter Haies, Gary Macdonald (Club President)

Middle Row - Chris Haies (Coach), Kurt Chambers, Dylan Kiwara, Vaughan Woolhouse, Richard Stewart, Levi King, Thomas Panapa, Riki Miringarangi (Coach)

Front Row - Jordan Dougan, Tyson Wana, Tama Paki, Hogan Green (Captain), Mark Collier (Vice Capt), Jake Simmers, Vinnie Waldermoth

Absent - Tamati Hall, Ben Ellis Jones, Manu Samuvelu, Sam Galofoa, Troy Matreson, Brad White, Jarvie Aoaki, Neville (Gus) Chittenden (Manager)

DIRECTOR OF CLUBROOMS' REPORT 2009



Another year gone by and the good news is the clubrooms scene keeps getting stronger with the involvement of all associated sports clubs. The bar turnover reached another record high, considerably higher than 2008 and indicates the culture and environment we try to promote is working well. For this we must thank all rugby personal who patronise the bar especially our non-playing supporting members who help fill the clubrooms week after week. Thanks also to our winter sports associates, Marist Football and Marist Netball whose continual and increasing patronage certainly creates the right environment. Whoever said the oval ball and the round ball passionate people can't mix. It works in our club. And of course Napier OB Marist Cricket club keep the clubrooms ticking over during the summer months and being open also means the rugby people still have a base for social activity during the summer Saturdays. During the year the one major event we hosted was the National Fire Services Rugby Tournament over 3 days in early September, which we also hosted back in 2005. It is due to our superior facilities and location adjacent to great playing grounds that we are asked to host tournaments such as these and again, the positive comments from people all around the country are great to hear. Several weeks after this tournament I had a call from a South Island Rugby Club Chairman who attended the Fire Services Tournament asking me about our secret to success with the affiliation of other sports into our facility. Another testament to the great club we have and showing it off to the many visitors we have the pleasure in hosting. For the first time during the year we hosted a visiting top band from Hamilton on our club day and with a private function on the Friday night with the same band was one of our biggest weekends ever. We continue to try and offer entertainment on a regular basis to keep the social scene alive. There are also numerous quiz nights, hypnotist nights and other fundraising nights throughout the year hosted by not only our affiliate clubs but by friendly schools and other fundraising organisations. Another feather in our cap this year was being the base for the HB Magpies training and audio visual sessions. They have recognised that along with the adjacent Tremain Fields it is the best facility in Hawkes

Bay out side of McLean Park to suit their needs. We also continue to host all HBRFU lower representative team games and aftermatch functions, again creating more exposure to our facilities and culture. Continued improvement plans are underway to ensure upkeep & maintenance does not slip and also a planned alteration to the bar area to make a bit more of workable area. Changes to the main entrance into Tremain Fields also means we have plans to capitalise on this and make it easier for patrons and visitors to enter the clubrooms as well as increase the size of the fenced area for safety of children which will also include a future playground. I look forward to another successful year in 2010 being part of this club and invite everyone to continue the convivial atmosphere by coming in for a beer during summer. We are Open from 4pm every Saturday.

Mike O'Connor
Director of Clubrooms



CLUB DIRECTORY

NAPIER OLD BOYS MARIST RUGBY CLUB

Patron: Ian MacRae

Life Members:

P.Bainbridge, P.Benson, R.J.Blundell, R.Exeter, A.F.Foley, H.Hall,
T.W.D.Ireland, J.J.Kelly, G.J. Macdonald, R.N.Macdonald, M.McGill,
I.R.MacRae, T.F.Mahony, B.R.Meredith, W. Reilly, E.H.Wilson

President: Gary Macdonald

Chairman of the Board: Mike Smith

Directors:

Club Management – Mike O'Connor. **Finance** – Craig Riddiford.

Rugby – Terry Gittings. **Funding** – Bill Halpin.

Secretary / Treasurer: Sue Hatton

Chaplains:

Fr Paul Kerridge, Rev. Bob Foster

Vice Presidents:

Phil Beck, Leo Bergman, John Campbell, Neville Chittenden,
Bill Halpin, Murray Holland, Margaret Leahy, Sid McCann,
Jim McGrail, Rod McRae, Jim Meredith, Kevin Murphy,
Gerard O'Shaughnessy, Sir Russell Pettigrew, Jill Verschaffelt.

Delegates:

HBRU General Committee: Mike Smith

Napier Old Boys Association: Gary Macdonald

St John's Old Boys Association: Bill Halpin

New Zealand Marist Rugby Federation: Eddie Wilson

Honorary Solicitor: Russell Robinson & Blair Robinson

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Honorary Doctors: Peter Foley, Jeremy Meates

WHY WOULD YOU PLAY FOR OLD BOYS MARIST?

We have a simple philosophy at Napier Old Boys Marist - that we are a well organized rugby club both on and off the field, we are fit, disciplined, well coached and our players are very loyal. Our teams are always well presented.

At Napier Old Boys Marist we promote a strong work ethic, we play with a special passion and honesty which is fun to be part of, but we also expect our players to carry that honesty through to their work and personal lives.

In summary we as a club will create a positive environment so that our players can expect to progress in their rugby careers. To excel players must also take responsibility for their rugby and life in general.

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