



RSG report to Assoc April 2014

- RSG has met twice since last Association meeting (31 March, 11 attendees & 11 apologies & 28 April 18 attendees and 8 apologies).
- The Rugby Handbook (<https://dl.dropboxusercontent.com/u/88979991/2014%20RUGBY%20HANDBOOK.pdf>) has been delivered with great reception; as it is so fantastic we decided to print copies, despite the expense and promote the option of sponsors advertising to hopefully get some funds back.
- MFAC and the traditional Rugby Camp were well received; feedback from families of the 6 pre-prep to yr 3 attendees has been very positive esp. the involvement of the opens players with the young students.
- Training Shirts were given to all 170 JTAS/TAS players who signed up (\$2150). The reception has endorsed it was wise to spend funds on the whole rugby cohort rather than on a small number such funding the 1st XV kits.
- All teams were victorious on Saturday, with the 1st XV being a little closer than the other teams.
- Process of selection for 1st XV vs 1st squad have been outlined to players and families but remains a heated topic.
- The Alumni have donated \$500 to be gold sponsors of St Paul's Rugby. JSSG are reviewing a request for support at their next meeting. No other sponsorship has been received, despite the request in the e-news, which will continue undeterred!
- Planning for the future is vital. With anticipated expenses of \$9,210.00 for 2014/15 seasons there is \$926.21 available funds.
- The yr 9 tour to Northern NSW is progressing well with 21 tourers.
- The 2015 tour has 15 expressions of interest. Some year 10 families were under the impression the Rugby tour could shift to 2016 and have been hesitant to commit. The school's tour 2015-2020 plan has been outlined and confirmed this takes into account all tours not just sport. We hope the misunderstanding has been clarified and the yr 10-11 players will commit to what will be great opportunity.
- Tim Hughes and Colin McIntosh are working to address the inadequate player numbers in the year 5 team so no one misses out; the Opens squad heading to the JS today for a final recruitment drive. All other teams are well supported with adequate players, a PTC and one or two coaches.
- Please support the Gala Day yr 9 raffle on May 17, the Pink Day on 31 with purchase of pink items via Flexi schools and contemplate staying for the whole morning to build the community spirit at SPS.
- Keep August 1 in your diary for the Annual Dinner.
 - Next meeting May 26