

President's Report

Rugby will be undertaking it's major activity for 2016 in the form of the Rugby Dinner for which at the time of writing this report we had 292 attendees. The dinner has been moved to a Saturday for the first time in a couple of years.

The season was an outstanding success both on and off the field with the 2nd XV winning their Premiership undefeated and the 1st XV losing out on the Premiership in the last game of the season. All other grades performed credibly.

There was only one tour in 2016 and that was the annual Grade Tour to Northern New South Wales. While not winning a game it was a wonderful experience for the players.

Financially, the year was excellent with some \$36,000 in general funds available for carryover. While this may seem a lot of money a normal season costs in the vicinity of \$18,000 without having to replace jerseys or replacing equipment such as the scrum machine (\$14,000) which may need replacing in the forseeable future.

The 2017 Senior tour to New Zealand Committee will be sharing a Holt Bolt with netball in September.

The RSG will be providing a kit for Grade 4 in 2017 so that all grades will have matching jerseys.

There has been some concern raised in relation to the state of the playing fields during the season and while it is acknowledged that the season was unusually dry and hot there is a need for proper of the playing fields for safety reasons.

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