



## Upcoming

### Premier Games:

Games start @ 3pm

11th May v Kaikorai (Home)

18th May v Taieri (Home)

25th May v Dunedin (Away)  
(Ron Reggett Memorial)

1st June v Harbour (Home)

8th June v Kaikorai (Away)  
(Frank Cadman Memorial)

15th June v Green Island (Away)

22nd June v Bye

29th June v University (Home)  
(VG Cavanagh Memorial)

6th July v Zingari (Home)

13th July v Alhambra-Union (H)

20th July: Semi Finals

27th July: Club Finals Day

## Website:

[srfc.co.nz](http://srfc.co.nz)

Register for regular online-newsletters during the season and for regular results, match reports, draws, photos and club history.

# MAGPIE NEWS

May 2019

ISSUE 1

## ‘OLD MEMBERS DAY’ SATURDAY 18TH MAY

On Saturday 18th May we have our annual ‘Old Members Day’. Our Premier team will be playing Taieri in the feature game of the afternoon for the Roy Nieper Memorial Trophy. Our Premier 2 team will play the curtain raiser at 1pm, also v Taieri. The Colts have an away game at 1pm v Alhambra-Union.

All past (and present) members are encouraged to get down to the Club at 1pm where you can catch up with fellow members for a drink and something light to eat before watching the big match on Bathgate Park at 2.45pm. For those that feel the cold or want to be closer to the bar, you can sit in the comfort of the Lounge and watch out the window!

## Early Season Report

The Premiers got off to a great start this season. They won their first four games before suffering their first loss against Green Island 17-15. Unfortunately they followed that up with a big loss to a classy Harbour team. Results in the coming two weeks against Kaikorai and Taieri will give a good indication of where they sit in the competition.

It is looking like a real battle for the Top 4 with six teams having realistic chances of making the semi-finals. When Highlanders are available, referee calls and the ever increasing injury tolls, which tests a Clubs depth, will all determine who will make the final four.

200 game ex-players Luke Herden and Warren Moffat are in charge of the team once again after taking over mid-2018. They are moulding the team into a very competitive side with a lot of new players to the Club, players moving up from the Colts grade, and our important “veterans”.

Speedy winger Mackenzie Haugh is leading the Club try scoring this year with 10 tries in only 6 games. Captain Axel Hohneck and long serving prop Mike Matafafa are leading the way in the pack.

It is great to have a Premier 2 side back in the competition which allows a pathway within the Club. Injuries in their team and the Premis have hampered their progress to date, but their first win is around the corner.

The Magpie Colts are a young side this year. Many locals have joined the Club - which is great for the Club’s future. There are a number of players with the potential to go on to play Premier rugby in the next few years.

Rothbury

PlaceMakers®

SPEIGHT'S



## The big social of the year is near !

### 'The Black and White Ball'

On the 25th May the Black and White Ball will be held in the Clubrooms. This is now firmly entrenched in our social calendar with last years 2nd ball proving to be a huge success. This year there is a Masquerade theme. Dress Code (Formal): Males - Best suits and ties.

Females - Best dresses.

Cost \$20. Free drink on entry, finger food during night, and a great DJ. Drink specials. Start Time - 7.30pm  
Book the date in now – and remember to bring your dancing shoes.



### Magpie Club - looking towards our future...

We are encouraging past members to join our Magpie Club this year. The cost is \$100. This covers your \$40 sub, and at every Premier home game you are entitled to a free pint, stubbie or wine. If you are not in the Clubrooms weekly we will increase your freebies on the day you are. The first 25 members who join this year will receive a free SRFC Cap valued at \$25.

What we are intending to do with \$50 of every Magpie Club membership is to put it in a fund separate from our Club funds so we can look after our new players (Colts) to the Club and give them a great experience that you experienced when you were playing. This will include things like off-field kit, a meal and a few drinks as a team on a Saturday. All things that build a club spirit. Times are changing quickly and if we do not move with the times we risk falling behind other clubs who have larger funding bases than we do. Your help would be appreciated and acknowledged.

### 100 Club Raffle

The \$100 raffle gets underway this year with the first draw on the 8th June. There are \$4,500 prizes to be won with 37 draws. Please check out the SRFC Website for weekly results. A final day function will be held for all ticket holders on Sunday 7th July.

There are still a few tickets available; to buy one contact Roy Daniels on 021 684-201.

### JUNIOR CLUB NEWS

The Junior Club are as strong as ever producing our next generation of players. They have a good committee of workers once again led by the dedicated Robert Stout, Daniel Jephson, and Nathan Pitts. 11 teams are competing each Saturday with teams in every grade. Junior games are played at 10am so please get along and support our junior boys and girls - they are our future. The Juniors enjoy being part of the Club on Saturdays for their Player of the Day awards at 5pm where they receive a medal and those important treats.

**We have new Caterers in the Club this year who are producing fantastic, affordable food - please support them each Saturday night. 4.30-7pm**

### SRFC Member Subs for 2019

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Debit Payments can be made to 06 0901 0042080 000

Post cheques to SRFC, PO Box 1427, Dunedin

- \$100 Magpie Club
- \$60 Double
- \$40 Single
- \$100 Raffle Ticket