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## Committee Update

Update from Karl Birch and Connor Whittaker

Welcome to the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the Uni Rugby Club Newsletter, and the first of 2025. In this month's edition we will cover the AGM results, club social events, and the Downs draws for next season.

### Introducing our 2025 Club Secretary: Matilda Moore

Matilda "Tilly" Moore has officially been appointed as the new club secretary for the Uni Rugby Club. This transition marks just her second season with the team, but Tilly has already made a significant impact, both on and off the field. Known for her strength as a second row forward and her infectious positivity, she has quickly become a beloved figure within the club.

"It was the influence of some friends that led me to join this wonderful community," Tilly said. "Within the first week of training, I knew I made a great decision in choosing this sport and club." Her enthusiastic spirit and dedication have resonated with teammates and committee members alike.



TILLY EMBRACING ONE OF THE MANY CLUB EVENTS IN 2024

The decision to appoint Tilly was met with unanimous approval from the current committee, highlighting her potential to excel in this crucial leadership role. Tilly previously served as vice captain for the women's 7s team in 2024 and took on various responsibilities, including organizing key club events such as Ladies Day.

"The Uni Rugby Club is an important factor in my life and has helped shape who I am in such a short time."

"I hope to contribute to the close-knit atmosphere the club provides and be a voice for all," Moore noted, emphasizing her commitment to fostering inclusivity within the rugby community. Her vision aligns perfectly with the club's mission to create an engaging and supportive environment for players, fans, and families alike.

## Upcoming Calendar

With the summer festive period and the school holidays in the rear vision, we turn our attention to gearing up for the 2025 in what is set to be our biggest year yet.

With a number of major events scheduled throughout the year, Uni Rugby invites you to all of the following.

2025 SOCIAL CALENDAR	
February	
Teenage Boys and Girls Training Commences	05/02
U20's Colts Season Commences (Fridays)	07/02
Coaching Course @ Downlands	08/02
MRP Sign-Up Day @ Clubhouse (9-11am)	09/02
UniSQ Student Expo Toowoomba (12-2pm)	26/02
March	
Classic Wallabies Rumble in the Region	01/03
Preseason Game @ Gold Coast Eagles	15/03
April	
Season Opener Preseason Game @ Gatton	05/04
May	
Senior & Junior Rugby Seasons Commences	03/05
June	
Ladies Day (Rd 5 v Bears)	07/06
Culture Day (Rd 6 v Gatton/Warwick)	14/06
July	
Sponsors and Past Players Day (Rd 9 v Rangers)	12/07

## Classic Wallabies Rumble in the Region

In recent news, Downs have announced that the Classic Wallabies made up of former Wallaby internationals will be taking on the Downs Rugby Team of the Decade at the Toowoomba Sports Ground on Saturday, 1 March. This game will be preceded by a Brisbane Premier Rugby Grand Final re-match between Brisbane Brothers & West Bulldogs, City v Downs Women's XV's (incl. Classic Wallaroos), Wests/Brothers v Goondiwindi, and the Gold Blooded Tour Kids Clinic with the Classics. This event will be a great opportunity for all ages and skill levels to watch some high-quality rugby by our doorstep. Tickets are available through Downs Rugby social media or by clicking the following [link](#).

## Preseason Personal Training

With all grades now entering their preseason training, Uni Rugby is in discussions to bring a personal trainer on board to run group fitness training sessions for all Teenage and Senior players. If you would like to get involved, please reach out to Karl Birch or Jim Rawlings.

## Junior Rugby

Update from Malia Tulilo

### 2025 Junior Draw

Downs Rugby are currently working on a revised draw for the 2025 season. An Opening Carnival is set to be held in Goondiwindi on 26 April, while the Closing Carnival is due to be held at Dalby on 9 August. Once the draw has been finalised it will be available on the Downs website [here](#). Uni Rugby will also be hosting a Junior Social Event towards the end of Term 1 to show our new recruits what the Club is all about. Please contact Malia for more.

### The 2025 Schools Programs

The Uni Rugby Club is committed to developing the rugby stars of the future and are looking forward to rolling out a new after-schools program for our Junior players in the second half of Term 1 this year. Keep an eye out for more information on our socials, and if you or your school would like to get involved, please reach out to Goran Kelly for more information.



## Teenage Rugby

Update from Paul Hanna and Jim Rawlings

### 2025 Teenage Draw

Downs Rugby have recently released the draws for both the Teenage Boys and Girls competitions with the Uni Rugby set to host Round 1 of the Teenage Boys competition on Friday, 21 February.

The Teenage Girls competition is scheduled to begin with two Development rounds starting Friday, 14 February before Round 1 commences on Friday, 28 February. Uni Rugby is currently looking for U13-U14 players to join the U14 team for this season. If you would like to get involved, please reach out to Paul Hanna or Malia Tulilo for more information.



The season dates for the 2025 Teenage Draw can be found [here](#) as well at the rear of this newsletter.



## U20 Colts Rugby

Update from Ned Beasley & Goran Kelly

### 2025 Season

The U20's Colts have recently begun preseason training at the end of January and are gearing up for their first round hit out this Friday, 7 February against cross-town rivals Bears at Uni. The expanded Colts competitions has grown from a four-team format last year to a six team competition this year. A number of

last year's Uni Colts will be looking to show their progress from the Lightning series last year and will be hoping with a mix of new recruits this year to start the year off with a bang. So come on down to Uni this Friday as we host two Colts games, with the Uni boys kicking off at 7pm. The clubhouse will also be open from 6pm to late.

## Senior's Rugby

Update from Connor Whittaker & Emma Anderson

### Seniors Preseason Training

The Seniors have recently transitioned from playing social touch on Thursday evenings to getting their preseason training underway by welcoming the new Colts players to the Club and engaging in whole Club sessions. With numbers steadily growing, the Seniors will be looking forward to their upcoming trial matches with the first game slated for Saturday, 15 March at Gold Coast Eagles home.

If you would like to get involved with Uni Rugby this season, Senior's training sessions are held every Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6pm. Please contact Nick O'Sullivan or Emma Anderson for more.



SENIORS TRAINING IN FULL SWING

### 2025 Senior Draws

Downs have recently released an update to the Senior Men's seasons which can be found [here](#).

A draft of the Senior Women's XII's and 7's competition schedule has also been released and can be found on the last page of the newsletter. The new structure of the Women's competition will see an opening 7's carnival held at Condamine on April 26 before an alternating XII's competition will commence on 10 May. Uni Rugby will also be

treated to several fixtures where both the Men's and Women's teams will be playing at home on the same day. These events are not to be missed as they will showcase what our Women have to offer.



## Resources

### ASF Fundraising & Donations

The Uni Rugby Club Foundation has been established through the ASF to raise funds for player development and clubhouse initiatives. Donations are tax deductible for all individuals. Please scan the QR code for more.



### Mouthguards

If you're looking to protect your pearly whites, our friends over at Withers Dental will be hosting their annual Mouthguard Day on Saturday, February 8 from 8:20am – 12:20pm. Prices start from \$85, are BUPA and HCF Gap Free.

Bookings are available through the [Online Booking](#) link, or by visiting their [webpage](#) and searching "Mouthguard Open Day."

### Newsletter Updates

Readers – is there anything that you would like to see in the newsletter next year?

Old Boys - have your friends been receiving the newsletter?

We would love to hear your feedback. Please respond to the newsletter email with any ideas.

### Online Newsletter

The [Uni Webpage](#) is where you'll find the latest newsletter as well as all past editions.

### Contact

[Club contact details](#) can be found on the Uni webpage.

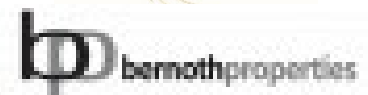


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TEENAGE BOYS 2025																		
Round	U13 BOYS			U14 BOYS			U15 BOYS			U17 BOYS			Location					
	Home	v	Away	Time	Home	v	Away	Time	Home	v	Away	Time						
ROUND 1 21st FEB	Dalby	v	Redbacks	6:00pm	Dalby	v	Redbacks	7:00pm	Redbacks	v	Bye	7:30pm	Dalby	v	Redbacks	8:00pm	Dalby	Uni
ROUND 2 28th FEB	Redbacks	v	Dalby	5:30pm	Redbacks	v	Dalby	6:30pm	Redbacks	v	Bye	7:30pm	Redbacks	v	Bye	8:30pm	Highfields	Souths
ROUND 3 7th MARCH	Uni	v	Dalby	5:30pm	Uni	v	Dalby	6:30pm	Uni	v	Redbacks	7:30pm	Uni	v	Dalby	8:30pm	Uni	Souths
ROUND 4 14th MARCH	Dalby	v	Redbacks	6:00pm	Dalby	v	Redbacks	7:00pm	Redbacks	v	Bye	7:30pm	Dalby	v	Redbacks	8:00pm	Dalby	Highfields
ROUND 5 21st MARCH	Dalby	v	Redbacks	5:30pm	Dalby	v	Redbacks	6:30pm	Uni	v	Redbacks	7:30pm	Dalby	v	Redbacks	8:00pm	Dalby	Bears
EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS																		
ROUND 6 2nd MAY	Redbacks	v	Dalby	5:30pm	Redbacks	v	Dalby	6:30pm	Redbacks	v	Bye	7:30pm	Redbacks	v	Dalby	8:30pm	Highfields	Souths
ROUND 7 9th MAY	Bears	v	Redbacks	5:30pm	Bears	v	Redbacks	6:30pm	Bears	v	Redbacks	7:30pm	Bears	v	Redbacks	8:30pm	Bears	Dalby
ROUND 8 16th MAY	Redbacks	v	Redbacks	5:30pm	Redbacks	v	Redbacks	6:30pm	Redbacks	v	Redbacks	7:30pm	Redbacks	v	Redbacks	8:30pm	Highfields	Bears
ROUND 9 23rd MAY	Bears	v	Dalby	5:30pm	Bears	v	Dalby	6:30pm	Bears	v	Redbacks	7:30pm	Bears	v	Dalby	8:30pm	Bears	Uni
ROUND 10 30th MAY	Souths	v	Redbacks	5:30pm	Souths	v	Redbacks	6:30pm	Souths	v	Redbacks	7:30pm	Souths	v	Redbacks	8:30pm	Souths	Uni
SEMI FINALS 6th JUNE	1 v 4 - 1st Field		2 v 3 - 2nd Field	5:30pm	1 v 4 - 1st Field		2 v 3 - 2nd Field	6:30pm	1 v 4 - 1st Field		2 v 3 - 2nd Field	7:30pm	1 v 4 - 1st Field		2 v 3 - 2nd Field	8:30pm	Highfields	
13th JUNE	GRAND FINAL											5:00pm	6:15pm	7:30pm	8:45pm	TSG		

U20 - COLTS - 2025					
Round	Home	v	Away	Time	LOCATION
FRIDAY NIGHT FOOTY					
Round 1 7th Feb	Uni	v	Dalby	8:30pm	Uni
Round 2 14th Feb	Gatton	v	Red Bulls	8:30pm	Warwick
ROUND 3 21st FEB	Uni	v	Red Bulls	8:30pm	Rangers
ROUND 4 28th FEB	Dalby	v	Red Bulls	8:30pm	Gatton
ROUND 5 7th MAR	Red Bulls	v	Warwick	8:30pm	Dalby
ROUND 6 14th MAR	Gatton	v	Red Bulls	8:30pm	Uni
ROUND 7 21st MAR	Gatton	v	Red Bulls	8:30pm	Redbacks
Semi Finals 28th MAR	5th v 6th		2nd v 3rd	6:30pm	Bears
			1st v 4th	7:40pm	
			Play-off Winner to GF	8:50pm	
			Winner to GF		
<b>GRAND FINAL - Saturday - 5th APRIL @ GATTON from 7:00pm</b>					
<b>REPRESENTATIVE FIXTURES 30th - 31st MAY @ GOLD COAST</b>					

RISON CUP 2025 - Senior Draw												
A Grade - Rison Cup				B Grade - Bill Flamstead Cup				C Grade - E S Dooney Hayes Cup				
A Grade kick-off 3:00pm (Unless stated otherwise)												
Home	v	Away	Venue	Home	v	Away	Venue	Home	v	Away	Venue	
Round 1 Fixtures - 3rd May												
Dalby	v	Rangers	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Rangers	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Rangers	John Ritter Oval	
Roma	v	Condamine	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Condamine	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Chinchilla	Riddles Oval	
Gatton	v	Uni	Hugh Courtney	Warwick	v	Uni	Hugh Courtney	Gatton	v	Uni	Hugh Courtney	
Round 2 Fixtures - 10th May												
Rangers	v	Gatton	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Gatton	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Gatton	Gold Park	
Dalby	v	Condamine	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Condamine	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Chinchilla	John Ritter Oval	
Goondiwindi	v	Roma	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Roma	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Uni	BYE	
Round 3 Fixtures - 17th May												
Bears	v	Dalby	Southern Cross	Bears	v	Dalby	Southern Cross	Dalby	v	Uni	BYE	
Roma	v	Goondiwindi	Gallas Fox Park	St George & Goondiwindi	play on 31st May	Roma	v	Goondiwindi	Gallas Fox Park			
Rangers	v	Uni	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Uni	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Uni	Gold Park	
Condamine	v	Gatton	Fish Tank	Condamine	v	Gatton	Fish Tank	Chinchilla & Gatton will play on 28th June				
Round 4 Fixtures - 24th May												
Condamine	v	Uni	Fish Tank	Condamine	v	Uni	Fish Tank	Chinchilla	v	Uni	Fish Tank	
Dalby	v	Roma	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Roma	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Roma	John Ritter Oval	
Gatton	v	Goondiwindi	Rison Oval	Warwick	v	Goondiwindi	Rison Oval	Gatton	v	Goondiwindi	BYE	
Bears	v	Rangers	Southern Cross	Bears	v	Rangers	Southern Cross					
FULL ROUND BYE - 31st May (SQ Representative Championships - Gold Coast)												
Warwick	v	Bears	Rison Oval	Chinchilla	v	Rangers	Bulldog Park					
St George	v	Goondiwindi	Durrand									
Round 5 Fixtures - 7th June												
Goondiwindi	v	Dalby	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Dalby	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Dalby	Riddles Oval	
Rangers	v	Condamine	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Condamine	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Chinchilla	Gold Park	
Roma	v	Gatton	Gallas Fox Park	St George	v	Warwick	Rowden Park	Roma	v	Gatton	Gallas Fox Park	
Uni	v	Bears	Uni	Uni	v	Bears	Uni	UniSQ	v	Gatton	BYE	
Round 6 Fixtures - 14th June												
Rangers	v	Dalby	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Dalby	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Dalby	Gold Park	
Bears	v	Roma	Southern Cross	Bears	v	St George	Southern Cross	Chinchilla	v	Goondiwindi	BYE	
Condamine	v	Uni	Fish Tank	Condamine	v	Uni	Fish Tank	Chinchilla	v	Goondiwindi	Fish Tank	
Uni	v	Gatton	Uni	Uni	v	Gatton	Uni	Uni	v	Gatton	Uni	
Round 7 Fixtures - 21st June												
Gatton	v	Bears	Hugh Courtney	Warwick & Bears play on 31st May				Gatton	v	Uni	BYE	
Dalby	v	Uni	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Uni	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Uni	John Ritter Oval	
Roma	v	Condamine	Bassett Park	St George	v	Condamine	Bassett Park	Roma	v	Chinchilla	Bassett Park	
Goondiwindi	v	Rangers	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Rangers	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Uni	Riddles Oval	
FULL ROUND BYE - 28th June (OCRU Representative Championships @ Townsville)												
Warwick	v	Dalby	Rison Oval	Chinchilla	v	Gatton	Bulldog Park					
St George	v	Rangers	Rowden Park									
Round 8 Fixtures - 5th July												
Gatton	v	Rangers	Hugh Courtney	Warwick	v	Rangers	Hugh Courtney	Gatton	v	Rangers	Hugh Courtney	
Condamine	v	Dalby	Fish Tank	Condamine	v	Dalby	Fish Tank	Chinchilla	v	Dalby	Fish Tank	
Roma	v	Uni	Gallas Fox Park	St George	v	Uni	Gallas Fox Park	Roma	v	Uni	Gallas Fox Park	
Bears	v	Goondiwindi	Southern Cross	Bears	v	Goondiwindi	Southern Cross	Goondiwindi	v	Uni	BYE	
Round 9 Fixtures - 12th July												
Dalby	v	Bears	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Bears	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Bears	John Ritter Oval	
Goondiwindi	v	Roma	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Roma	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Roma	Riddles Oval	
Uni	v	Rangers	Uni	Uni	v	Rangers	Uni	Uni	v	Rangers	Uni	
Gatton	v	Condamine	Hugh Courtney	Warwick	v	Condamine	Hugh Courtney	Gatton	v	Chinchilla	Hugh Courtney	
Round 10 Fixtures - 19th July												
Bears	v	Gatton	Southern Cross	Bears	v	Warwick	Southern Cross	Gatton	v	Dalby	BYE	
Uni	v	Dalby	Uni	Condamine	v	Dalby	Uni	Chinchilla	v	Roma	Uni	
Condamine	v	Roma	Fish Tank	Condamine	v	St George	Fish Tank	Chinchilla	v	Roma	Fish Tank	
Rangers	v	Goondiwindi	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Goondiwindi	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Goondiwindi	Gold Park	
Round 11 Fixtures - 26th July												
Condamine	v	Bears	Fish Tank	Condamine	v	Bears	Fish Tank	Chinchilla	v	Uni	BYE	
Roma	v	Rangers	Gallas Fox Park	St George & Rangers play on 28th June				Roma	v	Rangers	Gallas Fox Park	
Dalby	v	Uni	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Uni	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Uni	John Ritter Oval	
Goondiwindi	v	Roma	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Roma	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Uni	Riddles Oval	
Round 12 Fixtures - 2nd August												
Uni	v	Condamine	Uni	Uni	v	Condamine	Uni	Uni	v	Chinchilla	Uni	
Roma	v	Dalby	Gallas Fox Park	St George	v	Dalby	Gallas Fox Park	Roma	v	Dalby	Gallas Fox Park	
Goondiwindi	v	Gatton	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Warwick	Riddles Oval	Goondiwindi	v	Gatton	Riddles Oval	
Rangers	v	Bears	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Bears	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Uni	BYE	
Round 13 Fixtures - 9th August												
Dalby	v	Goondiwindi	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Goondiwindi	John Ritter Oval	Dalby	v	Goondiwindi	John Ritter Oval	
Condamine	v	Rangers	Fish Tank	Condamine	v	Rangers	Fish Tank	Chinchilla & Rangers will play on 31st May				
Gatton	v	Roma	Hugh Courtney	Warwick	v	St George	Rison Oval	Gatton	v	Roma	Hugh Courtney	
Bears	v	Uni	Southern Cross	Bears	v	Uni	Southern Cross	Uni	v	Roma	BYE	
Round 14 Fixtures - 16th August												
Bears	v	Condamine	Southern Cross	Bears	v	Condamine	Southern Cross	Chinchilla	v	Uni	BYE	
Rangers	v	Dalby	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Dalby	Gold Park	Rangers	v	Roma	Gold Park	
Gatton	v	Uni	Hugh Courtney	Warwick & Dalby play on the 28th June				Gatton	v	Dalby	Hugh Courtney	
Uni	v	Goondiwindi	Uni	Uni	v	Goondiwindi	Uni	Goondiwindi	v	Uni	Uni	
Super Saturday - 23rd August												
Elimination Saturday - 30th August												
GRAND FINAL - 6th September												

2025 Senior Women			
7's & XII's			
Home	v	Away	LOCATION
26th April	CARNIVAL AT CONDAMINE		
7's Round 1			
10th MAY	UNI	v	GATTON
XII's Round 1	DALBY	v	ROMA / ST GEORGE
	RANGERS	v	BYE
	BEARS	v	BYE
24th MAY	DALBY	v	ROMA / ST GEORGE
XII's Round 2	BEARS	v	RANGERS
	GATTON	v	UNI
	GOONDIWINDI	v	BYE
7th JUNE	RANGERS	v	GATTON
XII's Round 3	ROMA / ST GEORGE	v	BEARS
	GOONDIWINDI	v	DALBY
	UNI	v	BYE
21st JUNE	GATTON	v	BEARS
XII's Round 4	GOONDIWINDI	v	RANGERS
	DALBY	v	UNI
	ROMA / ST GEORGE	v	BYE
5th JULY	CARNIVAL AT DALBY		
7's Round 2			
19th JULY	GATTON & GOONDIWINDI play on the 12th July		
XII's Round 5	ROMA / ST GEORGE & UNI	play on the 28th June	GATTON
	BEARS	v	DALBY
	RANGERS	v	BYE
26th JULY	ROMA / ST GEORGE	v	GATTON
XII's Round 6	GOONDIWINDI	v	BEARS
	UNI & RANGERS	play on the 12th July	BYE
	DALBY	v	BYE
2nd AUG	RANGERS	v	DALBY
XII's Round 7	ROMA / ST GEORGE	v	GOONDIWINDI
	UNI	v	BEARS
	GATTON	v	BYE
16th AUG	CARNIVAL AT BEARS		
7's ROUND 3			
23rd AUGUST	SUPER SATURDAY XII's SEMI FINALS		
30th AUGUST	SUPER SATURDAY 7's - SEMI & GRAND FINALS		
XII's GRAND FINAL - 6th SEPTEMBER			