

# **Major Semi Final**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2025





On behalf of New England Rugby, we welcome players, supporters, referees and officials to the 2025 Final Series. It is great to see 7 of our 8 Clubs playing to secure a position in Preliminary and Grand Finals.

We particularly welcome Dorrigo Rugby Club in Sunday's Minor Semi Final in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade in their first year in New England and Walcha in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year in the competition, in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Major Semi Finals.

The weather has not been kind to us in the past few weeks and this has impacted on some Clubs positions on the ladder, but it is not something we can control. Hopefully we can get through the next couple of weeks with a bit of dry weather.

Enjoy the days and I wish each of the teams playing this weekend the best of luck and enjoy your rugby.

David Clifton
President
New England Rugby Union



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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Men - Tenterfield Bumblebees

1 - Cooper Hayes 11- Charlie Watt

2 - Harrison Miller 12 - Bailey Simpson-Reeves

3 - Michael Stuart 13 - Bryce Mediero

4 - Toby Battersby 14 - George Jones

5 - Jeremy Phipps 15 - Jim Brown

6 - Jed McCowen 16 -

7 - Jonny Little (C) 17 - Matthew Bertalli

8 - Thomas Benton 18 - Taj Cusack

9 - Sam Evans 19 - Xavier Cusack

10 - Jack Giddy

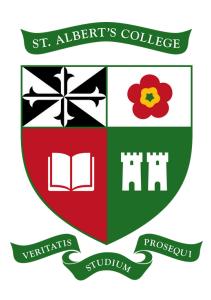
Coach - Phil Jones



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Men - St Alberts

1 - Toby O'Sullivan	12 - Fredrick Muller
2 - Darcy Toscan	13 - Liam Keady (C)
3 - Archie Paton	14 - Patrick Oswald
4 - Tom Patton	15 -
5 - Fletcher Dean	16 - Angus Orton
6 - Chris Thompson	17 - Ben Smith
7 - Will Mayne	18 - Stuart Gordon
8 - Kade Aitchinson	19 - Sam McGrath
9 - Hugh Warren	20 - Hugh Wilson
10 - Sam McMahon	21 - Jack Bender
11 - Henry Molesworth	22 - Will James

Coach - Tom Medway & Luke Krvavic



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Men - Tamworth Magpies

1 -	Nick Bradbery	12 - Jacob Shaw
2 -	Drew Potts	13 - Jono Dunlop
3 -	Aaron O'Keefe	14 - Akuila William
4 -	Norman Turner	15 - Shaun Barnes
5 -	Angus Turner	16 - Manu Vaipua
6 -	Nat Ellerton	17 - Elliot Clarke
7 -	Ben Kent	18 - Valentino Rage
8 -	Aidan Dougherty (C)	19 - Rafa Rasaku
9 -	Doug Brissett	20 -Lachy Jackwitz
10 -	Liam Allan	21 - Vilimone Tarai
11 -	Andrew Biffin	22 - Brandon Humphries

Coach - Tim McLean & Lachlan Kermode



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Men - Walcha Rams

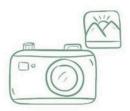
] -	Enda Love	13 - Jim Watson
2 -	Ben Fussel	14 - Jim Boyd
3 -	Jack Power	15 - Nick Rogers
4 -	Connor Rogers	16 - Ben Burwell
5 -	Archi Lawrence	17 - Sam Colwell
6 -	Harry King	18 - Josh Gollan
7 -	Tom Costello	19 - Josh Moloney
8 -	Chaden Hawkins	20 -Andrew Kelly
9 -	Steve Mcanally	21 - Will Hyles
10 -	Brent Clarke	22 - Hunter Oconnel
11 -	Troy Tape	23 - Will Jameson
12 -	Troy Hawkins	24 - Lachie Fletcher

Coach - Henry King





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#### Women's - Tenterfield Elkettes

1 -	Ashle	eigh	n Richard	dson 9 -	Ca	itly	n P	hillips
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- 3 Chloe Klingner 11- Mayc Giddy
- 4 Matilda Thompson 12 Ella Vidler
- 5 Bell Everson 13 Grace Brown
- 6 Beth Arandale 14 Taylor Symons
- 7 Matilda Mitchell (C) 15 Ilyssa Newbury
- 8 Chloe De Gunst

Coach - Sarah Bryne & Tom Benton



#### Women's - Tamworth Magpies

1 -	Lucy Plowman	8 - I	sabell	Davies
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2 -	Jess Plowman	9 - Candyce Duckett
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4 - Ellie Hannaford (C) 11- Eliza Bennett

5 - Alexis Nielson 12 - Stacy Leyton

6 - Tegan Barnaby (C) 13 - Addi Reid

7 - Ash Friend 14 - Nic Hamilton

Coach - Luke Barnaby & Nick Bradbery



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Men - Armidale Blues

1 -	Luke Burton	12-	John Roberts
	Angus Smith		Fletcher Strong
3 -	Stuart Rabone	14 -	Michael Paull
4 -	Daniel Goddard	15 -	Shaun Collins
5 -	Henry Coldham (C)	16 -	Will Whale
6 -	Thomas Goddard	17 -	Conor Marshall
7 -	Shuaib Rhodes-swain	18 -	Angus Howell
8 -	Corey Stace	19 -	Henry Blackwell
9 -	Daniel Rorke	20 -	Clancy Mcdermott
10 -	Jayden Smith (VC)	21 -	Sam Brazier

Coach - Riley Hopwood & Neil Van Der Linde

11 - Ratu Sailosi Nawerecaga 22 - Joseph Schmude



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Men - Walcha Rams

1 - Richie Hunt	9 - Matt Tisdell
2 - Nathan Cullinan	10 -Ed Churchill (C)
3 - James Anderson	11- Mosese Tuvuo
4 - Ross Monie	12 - Hamish Heeney

5 - Archi Lawrence 13 - Ed Cordingley

6 - Cole Tweedy 14 - Ed Pitt

7 - Dan Coulthurst 15 - Ollie Crawford

8 - Toby Marshall

Coach - Barry Hoy



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#### Major Semi Final – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August Bellevue Oval UNE Armidale

10.40am 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade
Tenterfield V St Alberts College
12.10pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade
Walcha V Tamworth
1.45 pm Women's 10's
Tamworth V Glen Innes
3pm 1<sup>st</sup> Grade
Walcha V Armidale Blues

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