



# RHS RUGBY NEWSLETTER



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## PRESS CUP

Saturday 26 May 2012

RHS 1<sup>st</sup> XV vs Timaru Boys High @ Timaru

Timaru Boys' High School First XV recorded a solid 21-5 win over Rangiora High School in the Press Cup competition. However the score did little to reflect the closeness of the game.

Timaru scored early with Rangiora panicking at a defensive lineout to set up an attacking scrum from which Timaru scored through strong pick and drive.

The RHS team had purpose about their play and were quick to respond when Player of the day halfback Freeman Eder scored from a well run blind side move off an attacking scrum with fullback Cameron Millward running strongly and putting the lively halfback into just enough space to cross the line.



7-5 to Timaru at the halftime mark play continued and a period of sustained pressure and brave defence off the line saw TBHS cross to score after 40 minutes of play ( 5 minutes of extra time) to take a 14 – 5 lead to the break.

Rangiora started the second half well and were threatening to break the TBHS defence on numerous occasions but were hamstrung by cynical tactics at the breakdown and despite being awarded two kickable penalty attempts were unable to convert their pressure into points.

There were certainly some positives for Rangiora as the forward pack worked tirelessly and effectively against a well organised Timaru pack. They had the ascendancy at lineout time and despite being outmuscled at scrum time were smart enough to secure possession. Late in the game a defensive lapse by the Rangiora backs allowed Timaru to score the match winning try and a flattering 21-5 victory.

“I am proud of the boys effort today. Every player contributed and we worked hard as a team” said Captain Kori Jones. “This was the first time Rangiora has played TBHS in the Press Cup and although disappointing not to have come away with a victory it was a good performance against one of the competitions favourites.” Manager Kerry Sullivan

**Next game: vs St Bedes College @ St Bedes 2.45pm**



## Miles Toyota



# 1<sup>st</sup> XV Fundraising Dinner and Auction

A huge thank you to the following businesses that supported our 1<sup>st</sup> XV Fundraising Dinner and Auction on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May.



A particular thank you to Polly and Ratu Mato for the donation of the generous Cook Island prize package comprising one week's accommodation at the Muri Beach Lodge, a Captain Tama cruise, and a Pacific Resort Cultural Evening and Dinner



*Pictured here are Daniel Mato and Jag Love presenting the winners with their prize.*

Thanks also to:

Pushbikes Rangiora

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Colin MacIntosh - artist

Weft Merino Possum products

Canterbury Spit Roast Company

Sam Brakenridge – artist

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**Please support these businesses as they have supported the 1<sup>st</sup> XV.**

Also, thanks to Dave Nicholas from MoreFM for being our wonderful MC for the night, Richard Loe for his entertaining words, and Richard Leech from Rural Livestock for his excellent auctioneering.



## Midweek Rugby

The Girls 1st XV have followed on their College Day wins with two further wins against Darfield-Ellesmere (100-0) and Mercy Schools (25-0). This week they are playing St. Margaret's College at Rangiora High School, kick-off 3. 15 p.m.

The 2nd XV played a strong Area Schools team a fortnight ago, going down 56-0, and does not now have a game until June 6th when they take on Riccarton in this annual match. Last year, RHS 2nd XV came out on top, so they will be hoping to do so again, especially with Mr Hays promising pizza for a victory.

The Junior Boys Gold team has had two successive wins - against Riccarton (27-0) and Cashmere (55-0). This week they play Darfield at Rangiora High School, so with two home games there will be lots to watch.

The Year 9 Green team has played Hornby twice in a row, first with a friendly (score) and last week in the first of their competition games, losing 60-5. Next week they come up against Ellesmere at North Hagley 5. Go Green!



A mention to Moresby Peseta who offered to play for the opposing Cashmere side last week when they were down one player, and then proceeded to stand out as their best player! Great sportsmanship, Moresby.



## RHS 1st XV Player Profile



Name	Wiremu Nukuroa Puha-Tirikatene
Year at School	11
House	Sheppard
Preferred Position	Loose Head Prop
Previous Club	Woodend
Rugby player you admire & why	Richie McCaw because he captains the All Blacks
Most memorable Rugby moment	Winning Grand Final unbeaten all year
Favourite Food	Boil up and hangi
Favourite music	Reggae
Other sports played	League, Touch
Interests/hobbies	Sports/kayaking
Other useful info...	I'm Maori



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**RHS 1<sup>st</sup> XV would like to thank both Lyn Sparks and The SportShop Rangiora for donating the 2012 match balls.**

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