

Under 6/1's Rhinos 30 def Mounties 18



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Under 6/2's Rhinos 34 def Canley Vale 8

What an awesome game this week. We were on a mission to listen to the coach this week and the kids did just that! We were down to 8 players so no reserves everyone played a full game and what a game! First conversion of the season goes to **William** who converted his own TRY after his best game so far. **Ethan** was on FIRE with 3 tries for the team never giving up. Great to see **Lincon** and **Orlando** both score a Try and the tackles, just got better as the game went on. **Ben** saved so many tries, his defense was first class, staying back to catch the quick ones. Our little guy's Thomas and Lleyton really stepped up and were excited to have more runs this week with Lleyton taking our Man of the Match Trophy (we even heard a few grunts from him this week). Last but not least is **Casey**, she made some great runs from dummy half almost getting across the line too. We missed our wonderful Manager Cassandra this week and hope she is feeling better soon.

Well done Rhino's you should be proud of the effort you all put in – keep up the good work. It isn't all about winning we have fun every week but this week, WE WON!

Under 6/3's Rhinos 24 def Parra City Titans 16



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Under 7/1's Rhinos 12 def by Cabramatta 22

What a wonderful effort by the whole team. One of our best games this year. Everybody played fantastically. Up against Cabramatta who are leading the competition and we played so well. Our passing was unreal, and our defence was great with Reilly, Tye and Connor leading the way. Our attack was just brilliant today, straight and hard running by all, but Wildman, The Unit, Zac and Jy really stood out. It was because of that, that Sam, The Unit and William scored tries. We were so unlucky to have Big Tom's try held up over the line and one try to Lolly disallowed. 1 point to Zac for great hard running and brilliant tackles, 2 points to Unit for a try and for consistent straight running through the middle, and 3 points and player of the match to Tye for sensational defence and attack throughout the whole game. Well done all on a top team effort today.

Under 7/2's Rhinos 6 def by Mounties 22



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Under 8/1's Rhinos 12 drew with Mounties 12

We came away from this game proud of our commitment for 30 minutes as we were up against a team with several big bodies but also went home disappointed that we didn't secure the 2 points.

Rhinos had the better field position in the first 10 minutes and were first to score through Jordan from close range, the try was converted by Savan but Mounties soon replied after being inside their own half created a try from nothing as sloppy play somehow lead to a break down the sideline for a converted try. Some bustling defence by the rhino's lead to a turnover in possession and Jordan scored our 2nd with a bumping run and big stretch to plant the ball in the left corner, the goal was converted by Harry to lead 12-6 at the first break. The 2nd period was defence orientated and we again provided bustling defence that resulted in a dropout for the opposition. Unfortunately we haven't trained for this and didn't setup correctly allowing Mounties to dropout and find touch. Mounties then locked the scores right at the end of 2nd period to go in 12 all. The final period should have started with a Rhinos kickoff but a wrong decision and confusion meant we were unprepared and Lachlan saved the day from a long Mounties kick to retrieve the ball from our goal line. After this setback, we enjoyed good field position in the 3rd period even though several penalties went against us but we couldn't get the finishing try to win.

The field appeared narrow and the opposition were big across the park, so we found it difficult to find space and consequently ran out on several occasions however we had strong runs from Ethan who ran hard and broke the line as usual, Adam again put on Benji step to beat defenders and lunge into the opposition bigs on 2 occasions. Harry stepped his way through traffic and was again unlucky not to score. Sammy had his busiest game of the year making 15 tackles whilst Lachlan made some great tackles, took a touch finder from a penalty, mopped up loose balls and nearly scored a match winning try. Bailey was again leading the tackle count with 20 and made an incisive run that nearly sealed a win for us. Jye has a growing confidence in attack and is running with more zest taking on bigger opponents and Tommy finished the game with a nice one on one tackle to secure the draw after the buzzer had sounded.

Under 8/2's Rhinos



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Under 9/1's Rhinos 24 def Parra City Titans 18

Another win against a team striving to make the top 4 in this very competitive division. The first half was a replay of last weeks win, good running, no mistakes and good play the balls.

At half time we went in at 24-6, with tries coming from Emily Mooney, who went outside the line after good breaks from Cooper Price and Oscar Mezzomo which is an important part of our structure. Joel Mercer used his head to go over from first receiver, and Campbell used his strength to punish the Titans from close range. Aaron Simpson let no one down with another smart try, he continues to be a real handful for the opposition. Ben Blanchard should get a pat on the back for his good work from the dummy half position which continually put us on the front foot with quick play the balls. Our goalkickers again did not miss as we went in to the break in control.

The second half was a reminder of what we do wrong, after the team patted themselves on the back and talked among themselves who was going to score etc., the focus went missing. In a sense we were fortunate to finish in front as the Titans gained confidence from our mistakes and our lack of possession.

This week is a very important game, it looks like we will finish second in the division if we defeat the Titans in the return game, they will have no fears after coming so close and we need to be fully committed to make sure the hard work we have done as a unit pays off.

Well done to get the win, but we need to make sure we play well for the whole game and remember what happens when we lose focus. Train well this week, and make sure the Rhino spirit gets us home for the rest of the season

Go Rhinos

Rouse Hill Rhinos U9/1 – 24 Tries: - Emily Mooney, Joel Mercer, Campbell Byrd, Aaron Simpson Goals: - Joel Mercer, Campbell Byrd, Koby Lacey, Ben Blanchard **Parra City Titans 18**

Player Points: - Cooper Price 3, Ben Blanchard 2, Campbell Byrd 1

Under 9/2's Rhinos FORFEIT

U 10/1's Rhinos 44 def Parra Jnr Eels 12

A good game by all the boys some exciting runs by Dermont and Clay showed that even three boys down you could still keep it going all game. We lacked a little in defence at times and that's where we still need improvement this week will be the game to have all boys there as it's a must win against Hills District. Make sure we all get to training this week.

U 10/2's Rhinos 0 def by CVD Cobras 52



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Under 11's Rhinos 30 def Wentworthville 28

In probably the best victory at the new Wrights Road oval to date the boys made a miraculous come from behind victory to overcome a determined Wentworthville team. The boys were first to concede points and brought the game back to 6 all when Sean made a strong run to the tryline. After that try we found ourselves defending the rest of the half due to the great kicking game of the opposition forcing many drop outs. We went into the sheds at 16-6 behind. In the 2nd half Wentworthville scored 2 early tries and ran out to a 28-6 lead and surely ending our game if not our finals chances as well. But with 11 minutes remaining the comeback was on its way. A try to Caine brought it back to 28-12 and at this stage the game still looked out of reach. Another Rouse Hill try brought the deficit to 10 and with 4 minutes to go there were whispers around the ground if we could find the chalk another 2 times. With 3 minutes to go a scoot from dummy half by Taine put us within reach of the game. 28-24 down and 45 seconds remaining on the board. After 2 tackles and 11 seconds remaining the game looked almost over as we were tackled near the sideline but then an act of brilliance. Hooker Taine took it upon himself to find some empty space down the blindside and began his sprint down the line to find the tryline, he caught most of the opposition by surprise and it was a leg race between the opposition and himself to get there first. As the parents and coaching staff yelled he was able to find the tryline and even up the game. After the siren it was up to Kyle to kick the goal and win the game, he was able to do that and finish off what really was an unbelievable comeback. WELL DONE BOYS LETS KEEP THIS RUN ONTO THE FINALS

3 points- Sean and Taine

2 points - Kyle

1 point - Christian

Under 12/1's Rhinos BYE



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Under 12/2's Rhinos 28 def Merrylands 24

On Saturday the team travelled to Merrylands for a hit out against their old semi-final foes. With only 12 players the odds were stacked against them from the start, but in a hard fought game, the boys showed great courage to overcome a big half time deficit to win in the last minutes 28-24. Top tacklers of the week were Brock, Will, Jack H & Tristo. There is still some work to be done on the defensive line but the individual efforts were big. Five tries shows what the team can do when they have the ball. Frankie bagged a deuce, while Brock, Jack H and Will got one each. Some others went close and there could have easily been a few more if some of the final passes stuck. It was great to see the more expansive passing game and players backing up in support. The confidence is starting to build and can be seen in the way the boys are playing. The big test will be next Saturday when they play the same team again - but this time on the Rhinos home ground!

Well played everyone.

3pts - Will 2pts - Brock 1pt - Liam

James Pennings

Under 13's Rhinos 16 def by Guildford 26

CONGRATULATIONS BOYS!!! With concerned mums and proud fathers our young Rhinos have stepped up and competed at the level they will face in finals football (I hope the trainers can keep up?)

The never back down attitude they have far outweighs their lack of violence and smart mouth, Which goes to show that we have a team of young men who have a level head, a respect for their club and a reason to play as a team.(Yes boys you were spotted at Rouse Hill with half the team pilling out of the lift????) They even behave without the coach or trainers! GO FIGURE?

Hold your heads high, a loss is a loss but you never learn until you have made mistakes. Not that you made that many on the day!

The amount of back up and positive talk on the field shows that are in with more than an average chance to hold the trophie & after the effort today you have shown that you have the desire!

Focus and continue to play as the team that you have made yourselves. Hold your heads high and complete what you have set out to do.

Quote – ATTITUDE IS EVERYTHING!



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Under 14's Rhinos 14 def by Mounties 16

The top of the table clash was always going to be tight and with a few boys away for the hols and injuries we only had one reserve. On this occasion the better team did not win the game, the more controlled team did. After leading 14-4 we should have shut this one up but we coughed up too much ball and kept sending out the written invitations to Mounties to get back in it and they did. With the bell going on tackle one with us on their try line, another minute would have been nice but you make your own luck and Mounties held on.

There are two big things to take out of this game. 1. The defence has to move up in a line. 2. You cannot win without the football. I thought we had some good performances but it was only in patches and that is not enough to be premiers and that is what we want. So, boys, you have been sensational for 10 weeks and have now dropped off a little, let's get the edge back and win every game from now.

Sometimes after a game it is better to say just a little and leave it at that and hopefully the impact of that will have the effect it was aimed at and I imagine a few people were bewildered by the coach leaving in a hurry but that was a necessity for a couple of reasons. 1. Not happy with our execution. 2. Had to break the speed limit to get to the 16/s game as trainer before kick off.

So, time to knuckle down at training and get that bit of perfection back that has been lacking over the last couple of weeks. It starts at training boys so let's go hard and listen.

Under 15's Rhinos 12 def by CVD Cobras 40



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